



## Peel Away® 1 – Heavy Duty Paint Remover

## Tech Data Sheet

**Product Description & Use:** Peel Away®1 Heavy-Duty Paint Remover is the **#1 Choice of Professionals** who perform historic restoration and lead paint abatement for over 35 years. This environmentally safe paint removal system is formulated for lead-based coating systems prior to 1978. The **Peel Away®1** system includes Citri-Lize™ Neutralizer, pH Test Kit, Dumond® Laminated Paper, Alkaline Paste, Plastic Applicator and simplified instructions for all customer types. **Peel Away®1** is a cost-effective method for removing up to 30 Coats of old oil-based lead paints in a single application providing the first coat is organic. By keeping the lead paint in a wet state, no airborne lead dust is generated. This water-based, zero VOC formulation does not contain methylene chloride. **Peel Away®1 Heavy-Duty Paint Remover** is formulated without flammable solvents, no harmful odors or toxic fumes, making this product ideal for interior and exterior applications when removing paint from wood, brick, stone, metal, most plaster substrates and more. **Peel Away®1 Heavy-Duty Paint Remover** is excellent for removing old coatings from intricate, carved or molded surfaces.

### **Features & Benefits:**

- Environmentally safe removal system for lead-based coating systems prior to 1978
- Removes up to 30 coats in one application providing the first coat is organic
- Ideal for wood, brick, stone, metal, most plaster substrates and more
- Water-based, zero VOC formulation
- Does not contain methylene chloride
- Non-flammable; no harmful odors or fumes
- Suitable for interior and exterior applications
- The **Peel Away® 1** system includes **Citri-Lize™** Neutralizer, pH Test Kit, **Dumond® Laminated Paper**, Alkaline Paste, Plastic Applicator and simplified instructions
- Applied by trowel or the appropriate industrial spray equipment

**Limitations:** Not recommended for use on veneer, plywood, drywall, aluminum, brownstone, sandstone, limestone, fiberglass, glass laminates, Plexiglass, plastics, rubber and EIFS. **Peel Away® 1** will darken hardwoods. Not recommended for the removal of epoxies, urethanes, chlorinated rubber, cementitious paints, baked finishes and other high-performance coatings. Always do a test patch prior to full removal.

**Test Patch:** Always perform a small inconspicuous test area on each type of substrate and paint coating prior to full application. Testing before beginning any project is the best way to ensure product effectiveness. Test patches can determine the proper dwell time and thickness to apply the product for your specific application. Failure to do a test patch can result in need for more than one application, increasing labor and material costs.

**Recommended Substrates:** Before applying to the entire substrate always do a test patch. Recommended for use on wood, concrete, cement, stone, stucco, plaster, cast iron, steel, marble, terra cotta, granite, terrazzo, copper, tin, tiles, enamel, clapboard and slate.

**Regulatory Information:** VOC compliance - **Peel Away® 1** meets all national, state and local regulations.

**Preparation:** Prepare surface by pressure washing to remove all loose coatings. Allow substrate to dry before applying **Peel Away® 1**. Protect and cover all areas, vegetation and surfaces not designated to be stripped including adjoining surfaces. Solvent resistant polyethylene sheets can be used as an effective barrier. Wet down all vegetation and cover with **Dumond® Catch-N-Cover™** or 6 mil solvent resistant polyethylene sheets.

**Surface and Air Temperatures:** To avoid product from freezing and reducing effectiveness do not use below 35° degrees Fahrenheit. For best results, use product in temperatures above 50° degrees Fahrenheit and below 90° degrees Fahrenheit. Product effectiveness is increased in warmer temperatures.

**Application & Spread Rate:** **Dumond® Chemicals** always recommends working in smaller manageable areas when stripping unless you are working with many people, only strip what you can rinse before the remover dries, usually a 3' X 3' area. Using the enclosed putty knife of trowel apply paste approximately 1/8" – 1/4" or according to successful test patch results. For 48-hour dwell time a minimum of 1/4" inch is required. When applying onto irregular surfaces use nylon brush to force paste into intricate areas. Cover all paste with **Dumond® Laminated Paper** while being careful to lightly smooth out most air pockets. Product can dwell 12-48 hours if necessary. **Peel Away® 1** provides an average spread rate of approximately 20 Sq. Ft. per gallon; results may vary based on substrate texture and porosity and remover thickness.

- **Spray Application:** **Dumond® Chemicals** recommends that **Peel Away® 1** be sprayed with a texture sprayer. Pump size should be at least 1 gallon per minute. Aluminum guns should **NOT** be used, as a chemical reaction will take place with **Peel Away® 1**. **This may cause damage to the gun.** All filters and manifolds should be removed prior to spraying. Hose size 25' X 1". Nozzle, trigger texture gun with a #10-fluid nozzle with medium disk. Use high fluid pressure and high pressure at the gun. Keep a clean bucket of water

available, as an occasional flush of the pump may be necessary on hot days to alleviate clogs and the pumps inability to build up pressure. Do not leave **Peel Away® 1** in sprayer or spray lines overnight. Flush sprayer and hose thoroughly each day and upon completion with warm water.

**Removal & Clean Up:** Remove by inserting a trowel, spatula, or other paint scrapping tool underneath paste and lift **Dumond® Laminated Paper** while slowly scrapping. Plastic tools are recommended when working on wood substrates. After all paste has been removed, and while still wet, use a nylon brush or scotch brite pad and clean water to scrub residue off the substrate, paying attention to crevices, grooves, and cracks. Rinse thoroughly with water to remove all remaining residue. For optimal results, low pressure washing is recommended for final rinse when working outside. Remember, only strip what you can rinse before the remover dries, usually a 3' X 3' area. Dispose of paper, paste remover and dissolved coatings according to federal, state and local regulations. For best results, wait until the surface is completely dry, at least 24-48 hours before neutralizing on porous substrates (wood and masonry).

**Waste Disposal:** When lead-based paint coatings are being removed from a substrate, disposal of the resulting waste is regulated by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and many state and local agencies. Federal standards for classification, handling and disposal of potentially hazardous wastes are detailed in EPA's Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) of 1976. Additional, more stringent regulations may be imposed by state and local regulatory authorities.

**Neutralization:** Use **Citri-Lize™** Neutralizer (included in kit) for neutralization process. **Dumond® Chemicals** recommends waiting until the surface is completely dry, or at least 24-48 hours before neutralizing porous surfaces (wood and masonry). Neutralizing is required when re-painting or re-staining after paint removal. Failure to properly clean and neutralize the surface as directed may result in alkaline burn that may cause hazing, flaking and/or subsequent coating failure. **Citri-Lize™** Neutralizer can be applied at any point after paint removal, however is most effective when applied to a dry substrate. Follow directions for water ratio on the back of the **Citri-Lize™** bag and use plastic trigger or pump sprayer to thoroughly coat entire substrate. Allow substrate to dry, do not rinse. When the surface is completely dry, test with enclosed pH test strips according to instructions on the **Citri-Lize™** Neutralizer, repainting can occur when pH range is between a 5 and 8 and the moisture content is below 12%.

**Re-Painting Wooden Surfaces:** For best results on wooden surfaces use a moisture meter before re-painting. Re-painting can occur when readings are 12% moisture or below. **Dumond® Chemicals** recommends the use of a premium 100% acrylic stain blocking primer on all wooden surfaces to minimize moisture problems including tannin staining, surfactant leeching and

peeling. Cedar, redwood and cypress woods tend to bleed resin and/or tannic acids. Extra drying time may be required before painting these surfaces (up to as much as 60 days in some cases) otherwise staining may occur. If this occurs, spot prime those areas with a shellac-based or alkyd based stain killing primer. Ask your local paint dealer for a premium primer that retards and seals in extractive bleeding and discoloration.

**Best Practices:**

- Always test each type of surface and paint coating for efficacy, dwell times and thickness. Let the **Peel Away® 1** dwell at least 12 hours before removing.
- Never apply **Peel Away® 1** and leave it for 24-48 hours without checking on it
- If product dries or hardens to the surface, remove the **Dumond® Laminated Paper** and apply a thick coat of **Peel Away® 1** on hardened area, re-apply **Dumond® Laminated Paper** and wait a minimum of 1 hour or more and remove.
- Use straight white vinegar as a substitute for **Citri-Lize™** neutralizer
- Wood bleach (Oxalic acid) can be used on wooden surfaces (after **Citri-Lize™** Neutralizer has been apply) to lighten substrate if necessary

**Availability & Cost:** **Dumond® Chemicals** products are available through a nationwide network of paint stores, hardware stores and safety supply distributors. For outlet nearest you please visit [www.dumondchemicals.com](http://www.dumondchemicals.com) once on the website type your zip code or postal code into the dealer locator to find addresses and phone numbers of your nearest dealer.

**Health & Safety Requirements:** Not for internal consumption. While **Peel Away® 1** is formulated to be safe for the user, surface and environment, proper safety procedures should be followed always when handling this product. Read the full label and MSDS for precautionary instructions before use.

**WARNING!** If you scrape, sand or remove old paint, you may release lead dust. LEAD IS TOXIC. EXPOSURE TO LEAD DUST CAN CAUSE SERIOUS ILLNESS, SUCH AS BRAIN DAMAGE, ESPECIALLY IN CHILDREN. PREGNANT WOMEN SHOULD ALSO AVOID EXPOSURE. Wear a NIOSH-Approved respirator to control lead exposure. Clean up carefully with a HEPA vacuum and a wet mop. Before you start, find out how to protect yourself and your family by contacting the National Lead Information Hotline at 1-800-424- LEAD or log on to [www.epa.gov/lead](http://www.epa.gov/lead).

**24-Hour Emergency Information:**

1-800-535-5053 **North America** or 1-325-323-3500 **International**

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**Technical Data:**

- **Form** - White Thick Paste
- **Wt./ Gal** - 12.0 Pounds
- **PH** - 13.0
- **Freeze Point** - Maintain above 32 degrees F°
- **Shelf Life** - 2 years in a tightly sealed container and kept in a warm, clean and dry environment.

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