

Using Anti Climb Paint – a practical guide

What is Anti Climb Paint?

Anti climb paint (which is also sometimes called anti intruder paint, security paint, or anti burglar paint), is a non-toxic and non-corrosive, petroleum gel based paint.

What is Anti Climb Paint used for?

Anti climb paint, is widely used to prevent unwelcome visitors from climbing up drainpipes, on to roofs, or over walls, gates and fences.

It is also used extensively on poles and posts to prevent vandals or thieves from reaching CCTV cameras or street lighting equipment, etc.

More recently, it has also become very popular with schools, churches and other users, who are using it to paint on to lead roof panels to foil lead thieves. In fact in view of the ever escalating problem of lead theft from churches, Ecclesiastical Insurance, are now recommending that the lead roofs on all churches should be painted with Anti-climb paint.

Applying Anti Climb Paint

Anti climb paint works by forming a slippery surface on anything it is painted on, making it virtually impossible to grip.

The paint must be applied thickly (the recommended thickness is 2 to 3mm). Applying the paint to the recommended coating thickness, prevents it from drying out and losing its effectiveness.

It also means that anyone coming into contact with it will be instantly contaminated by it. For example a person touching the paint with their hands will find that some of the paint will stay on their hands making them slippery, which in turn will make it difficult to hold anything, let alone get a handgrip for climbing.

The paint is typically applied with a disposable paint brush to save the time and expense of cleaning brushes after use. White spirit or similar can be used to clean up small spills or to remove anti climb paint from your hands (the use of suitable gloves is recommended to protect hands during painting and of course safety glasses (or over spectacles) can be worn to protect the eyes against splashes).



Anti Climb Paint is available in;
1.0, 2.5 and 5.0 litre cans

Where can you use Anti Climb Paint?

Anti climb paint will contaminate anything it comes into contact with, so common sense dictates that it should not be used anywhere where a person could “accidentally” come into contact with it! ...after all you don't want to find yourself picking up a bill for dry cleaning the clothing of some innocent passer-by who accidentally brushed against your painted surface!

It is recommended that anti climb paint should not be applied to any surface at less than head height, and in some situations a higher minimum height may be sensible or even a requirement.

As it is a petroleum gel based paint, anti climb paint is non toxic and non corrosive and can be safely applied to; wood, metal, plastic, brick and concrete, roof tiles, in fact it can be used on virtually any type of material and even helps protect the covered surfaces against weathering.

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