

# BLACK OXIDE NO. 1 MAGNETIC PARTICLES



## PRODUCT INFORMATION

**Description:** Black Oxide No.1 is a black magnetic powder mixed with light oil or water to find microscopic cracks in ferrous metals by magnetic particle method.

It is highly sensitive for inspecting critical parts. **Black Oxide No.1** marks indications with a more precise, and easier to read flaw image. It is widely used for both manufacturing and preventive maintenance inspection.

**Companion Materials:** Sherwin **MPF** - Magnetic Particle Fluid  
Sherwin **W5C** - Water conditioner with corrosion inhibitors  
Sherwin **CP-1** - Contrast Paint

**Container Sizes:** one pound cans  
five pound cans  
case of 12 aerosol cans (12 or 16 oz.)

**Basic Instructions:** (These instructions describe the basic process, but they may need to be amended by the user to comply with applicable specifications and/or inspection criteria provided by the contracting agency.)

**Mixing:** **Black Oxide No.1** may be mixed either with oil or water.

**Oil:** Add **Black Oxide No.1** to any approved light oil, such as Sherwin MPF, at the rate of 2.2 grams/liter. Add the **Black Oxide No.1** to the oil slowly while agitating. The mixture should be agitated for 15 minutes before the concentration is measured. The concentration may be adjusted by adding more light oil or **Black Oxide No.1** as required.

**Water:** The water must be conditioned before adding the **Black Oxide No.1** in order to disperse the particles, wet the test surface, and inhibit corrosion. Sherwin W5C is the recommended conditioner, and is added at 10 grams/liter (1-1/3 ounces per gallon) of water.

### Applicable Specifications:

MIL-STD-1949 E  
ASTM E 709

ASTM E 1444

AMS 3042

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### PRECAUTIONARY INFORMATION

**Black Oxide No.1** is a light powder and can be hazardous to health if not used properly. Avoid inhalation. Do not get into eyes. Keep out of reach of children.

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