



Now available with NO PFOA (and still available in low-PFOA form)

Whitford is pleased to double the coating options we presently offer: The five coatings shown above are now available in new formulas that are totally free of PFOA (they will also continue to be available in their present, low-PFOA formulas).

All Whitford facilities around the world offer the PFOA-free and reduced-PFOA formulations.

During the second quarter of 2008, a major resin supplier made available a series of fluoropolymer dispersions manufactured without PFOA (perfluorooctanoic acid). Polymerized using processing aids that contain no PFOA and no APFO/C-8, they make possible our new PFOA-free versions.

Our supplier has chosen to price these materials at a substantial premium over the current low-PFOA products. Calculated on a cost-per-piece basis, the cost is relatively modest, but is higher than the industry norm.

Whitford is offering samples and production quantities of these new PFOA-free coatings in our

Excalibur®, Halo®, Eclipse®, QuanTanium®, and Quantum2® lines of products.

All have been thoroughly tested according to the Whitford matrix of cookware tests, which include the Reciprocating (Scotch-Brite) Abrasion Test, Tiger Paw, Contact Angle, Release Value as well as the standard Cross-Hatch/Boil, and Dry-Film Thickness evaluations.

We have also evaluated all via spray, roller and curtain application techniques.

The results show no differences in performance from the current low-PFOA versions.

While performance of the new versions equals that of the standard ones, it is not as simple as replacing one PTFE dispersion with another on a one-to-one basis. Some customized reformulation may be required to meet specific needs of some customers.

We suggest that, should you want to move to the PFOA-free coatings, you contact your Whitford representative to arrange for a sample to test on your specific products.

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