





How much antifouling paint do I need?

Determining how much antifouling you will need is fairly simple. Here are two quick guides to help you purchase the correct amount: 1. Calculate the area needing paint. For a rough estimate of the area to be painted, multiply the length of your hull (LOA) by the beam and multiply by 0.85 (LOA x B x 0.85 = Area). Then divide the area by the coverage of the paint you've chosen to determine how many quarts per coat you will need, or 2. Refer to the reference chart below for a quick estimate of how much antifouling paint is required for two coats:

	 Power					 Sail				
Waterline length (feet)	20	25	30	35	40	20	25	30	35	40
Standard range (quarts)	4.0	5.0	7.0	9.5	12.0	3.0	4.0	5.5	7.0	9.5
VC17m/VC17m Extra (quarts)	3.0	4.0	5.5	7.5	9.5	2.5	3.0	4.5	5.5	7.5

 Abbreviations		
LOA	=	Length Overall
LWL	=	Length Waterline
B	=	Beam
D	=	Draft
F	=	Freeboard

 Top Tips	
■	Apply an extra coat to all leading and trailing edges, water-line, trim-tabs, outdrives, keel and rudder. High turbulence in these areas tends to wear the antifouling faster.
■	Always use the specified amount of antifouling. Under-application can result in premature fouling and costly mid-season haul out.