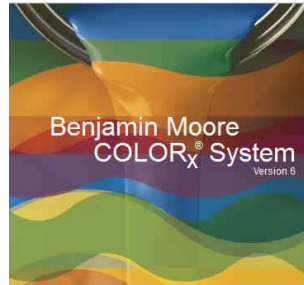


Benjamin Moore & Co. Moore's COLOR_x® System Release Notes & Installation Guide Version 6.25.1000



Interior Primer Changes U.S. & Canada

In the U.S.

Regal Select interior products (547 - 551) and ben interior products (W625 – W627) now use the Fresh Start High-Hiding All Purpose Primer, product number 046.

If you currently have the Regal Select interior primer 546 or have the ben interior primer W624, use the Fresh Start High-Hiding All Purpose Primer 046 prescriptions in COLOR_x

In Canada

Regal Select interior products (K547 - K551) and ben interior products (K625 – K627) now use the Fresh Start High-Hiding All Purpose Primer, product number K046.

If you currently have the Regal Select interior primer K546 or have the ben interior primer K624, use the Fresh Start High-Hiding All Purpose Primer K046 prescription in COLOR_x

Special Character

When searching for a color that contains an accent character such as “Café”, it is no longer necessary to use the accent over the “e” when performing a color lookup. Simply enter “Cafe” in the Color Number or Name search field and the program will return all color names found for Cafe or Café.

New Product for Retailers in Canada

F403 Regal Select High Build Exterior Paint Soft Gloss

This release contains prescriptions and database files for this new product.

COLOR_x Formulation Engine

In February 2012, we released COLOR_x with a new formulation engine in the software. This new “engine” vastly improved the color matching capabilities when matching custom colors and competitive colors. At that time there were a limited number of products using it. All Benjamin Moore products are now using the new formulation engine in COLOR_x.

Documentation: Operator's Manual and Quick Start Guide

The COLOR_x documentation can be found on the system after the software is installed. They are in Adobe® pdf format and can be found in the Program Files\Benjamin Moore & Co\ColorTech\Documentation\COLOR_x folder. They include the operator's manual (Colorx.pdf) the and the quick start guide (quick start.pdf.)

Help

While in the COLOR_x application, you can view the Operator's Manual and the Quick Start Guide by clicking on Help, then choose COLOR_x Help for the manual or COLOR_x Quick Start.

Competitive Color Prescriptions in COLOR_x

We have amassed an extensive collection of colors from our competitor's color merchandise. This information is available in our Color Search option in COLOR_x. To see if a color exists, simply follow the same procedure you would for a Benjamin Moore color. Enter a color number or name, along with a product, and either select an individual company or check the "Search All" box above the Select Company drop down list.

Unlike a Benjamin Moore color which displays a prescription created and tested by our Color Prescribing Lab, we store just the measurement of the competitive color. That measurement is run in our color matching application to generate a color prescription the same as if you measured a custom color with a spectrophotometer and calculated a match.

Therefore, when a customer requests a match to a competitive color, a retailer should follow this procedure. First, look up the color in COLOR_x and determine if we have it in our system. If it is, a prescription will be calculated and displayed. Click on the button "Closest BM Color", this will list the five closest Benjamin Moore colors. Suggest to the customer that they look at our closest colors and see if that meets their color requirements. This has two benefits, if the color is acceptable, then you have a tested Benjamin Moore prescription to make the color and you have changed a competitive color specification to a Benjamin Moore color specification.

Second, if you or the customer has a sample of the competitive color merchandise then match the color merchandise just as you would match a custom color. Since the customer will be judging the color to the merchandise sample that should be your target. Depending on the age and condition of the merchandise, it may not represent what we have stored in COLOR_x.

Finally, if the customer does not like our closest color and no sample of the color is available then use the calculated match in COLOR_x.

If you have any questions, please contact your Color Technology Rep. or call 800-809-9213.

Prescription Changes since COLOR_x Version 6.24.1100 (United States)

Many prescriptions for products 548, 549, 550 and 551 have been modified. Please refer to the revision date when calling up these prescriptions. A revision date after 6/26/12 indicates a change in the prescription since ColoRx version 6.24.1100.

Many prescriptions have changed for colors 103, 1092, 1169, 1279, 1287, 2003-20, 2033-20, 2062-10, 2066-10, 2066-20, 2067-10, 2114-20, 2128-20, 2158-20, 2160-10, 2160-20, 2169-10, 2170-20 and HC-108 in several products tinted with Color Preview colorants. A revision date after 6/26/12 indicates a change in the prescription since ColoRx version 6.24.1100.

Many prescriptions have changed for colors 207, 992, 994, 998, 2108-30, 2137-10, 2139-30, 2139-50, AC-33, AF-155 and HC-69 in several products tinted with Gennex colorants. A revision date after 6/26/12 indicates a change in the prescription since ColoRx version 6.25.1000.

Prescriptions for manor brown have been added for exterior products tinted with Gennex colorant.

A prescription for limestone in product 631 has been added.

The following prescription has been modified for product 276: 2121-10

The following prescriptions have been modified for product 277: 997, AC-32

The following prescription has been modified for product 314: 2111-40

The following prescription has been modified for product 349: 845

The following prescription has been modified for product 403: AF-345

The following prescriptions have been modified for product 508: 2022-40, 2023-40, 2028-70, 2123-70, OC-67, moonstone

The following prescriptions have been modified for product 513: 188, 216

The following prescriptions have been modified for product 514: 2006-40, 2107-40, 2134-10

The following prescriptions have been modified for product 522: 1203, 2108-40

The following prescriptions have been modified for product 524: 2127-10, 2131-10

The following prescriptions have been modified for product 526: 200, HC-12

The following prescriptions have been modified for product 532: 1049, 1631, 2064-10

The following prescription has been modified for product 542: 2112-60

The following prescription has been modified for product 629: 2130-10

The following prescription has been modified for product 640: 2105-30

The following prescriptions have been modified for product 792: 2124-10, 2129-10

The following prescription has been modified for product 796: 2167-10

The following prescriptions have been modified for product C274: 207, 2018-40, 2111-40, 2135-50

The following prescription has been modified for product N089: 1090

The following prescriptions have been modified for product N096: 1001, 2110-20

The following prescription has been modified for product N103: AF-585

The following prescription has been modified for product N105: AF-585

The following prescriptions have been modified for product N215: 558, 1128, 2067-10, AC-7

The following prescriptions have been modified for product N319: 206, 2109-60, 2112-70

The following prescriptions have been modified for product N322: 1128, 2139-40, AC-7

The following prescriptions have been modified for product N373: 844, 2028-70, 2029-70, 2122-70, 2123-70, 2125-60, 2127-70, OC-66, OC-67, moonstone

The following prescriptions have been modified for product N374: 2022-40, 2023-40

The following prescription has been modified for product N400: AF-345

The following prescription has been modified for product N401: 2139-10

The following prescriptions have been modified for product N402: AF-345

The following prescriptions have been modified for product N448: 2112-60

The following prescriptions have been modified for product N537: 2152-70, AF-65, OC-85

The following prescriptions have been modified for product N538: 2152-70, OC-85

The following prescriptions have been modified for product N539: 2152-70, AF-65, AF-560, HC-169, OC-85

The following prescriptions have been modified for product N540: 2152-70, OC-85

The following prescriptions have been modified for product N794: 118, 2061-10

The following prescriptions have been modified for product W096: AF-345

The following prescriptions have been modified for product W105: AF-345

The following prescriptions have been modified for product W170: 2140-20

The following prescriptions have been modified for product W215: 844, 2022-40, 2023-40, 2028-70, 2123-70, OC-67, moonstone

The following prescriptions have been modified for product W219: 844, 2028-70, 2029-70, 2122-70, 2123-70, 2125-60, 2127-70, OC-66, OC-67, moonstone

The following prescriptions have been modified for product W221: 221, 235, 244, 256, 844, 1200, 2028-70, 2029-70, 2122-70, 2123-70, 2125-60, 2127-70, HC-25, HC-31, HC-89, OC-66, OC-67, moonstone

The following prescriptions have been modified for product W223: 2022-40, 2023-40

The following prescriptions have been modified for product W310: 2166-60

The following prescriptions have been modified for product W625: 2137-60, 2167-10, OC-17, OC-52, white dove

Prescription Changes since COLOR_x Version 6.24.1100 (Canada)

Many prescriptions for products K548, K549, K550 and K551 have been modified. Please refer to the revision date when calling up these prescriptions. A revision date after 6/26/12 indicates a change in the prescription since ColoRx version 6.24.1100.

Many prescriptions have changed for colors 2003-20, 2033-20, 2062-10, 2066-10, 2066-20, 2067-10, 2114-20, 2128-20, 2158-20, 2160-10, 2160-20, 2169-10, 2170-20, CC-124, HC-108, OR-155, OR-190 and OR-245 in several products tinted with Color Preview colorants. A revision date after 6/26/12 indicates a change in the prescription since ColoRx version 6.24.1100.

Many prescriptions have changed for colors 2108-30, 2137-10, 2139-30, 2139-50, AF-155, CC-200, CC-452, CC-480, HC-69, OR-12, OR-13, OR-100 and OR-117 in several products tinted with Gennex colorants. A revision date after 6/26/12 indicates a change in the prescription since ColoRx version 6.25.1000.

Prescriptions for manor brown have been added for exterior products tinted with Gennex colorant.

A prescription for limestone in product K631 has been added.

The following prescription has been modified for product F215: 2067-10

The following prescriptions have been modified for product F319: 2109-60, 2112-70, CC-190

The following prescriptions have been modified for product F373: 2028-70, 2029-70, 2122-70, 2123-70, 2125-60, 2127-70, OC-66, OC-67, moonstone

The following prescriptions have been modified for product F374 / K474: 2022-40, 2023-40

The following prescriptions have been modified for product F375 / K475: 2144-70, OC-118

The following prescription has been modified for product F794: 2061-10

The following prescriptions have been modified for product K133: CC-542, OR-26

The following prescription has been modified for product K170: 2140-20

The following prescriptions have been modified for product K274: 2018-40, 2111-40, 2135-50, CC-200

The following prescription has been modified for product K276: 2121-10

The following prescriptions have been modified for product K277: CC-470, OR-99

The following prescription has been modified for product K400: AF-345

The following prescription has been modified for product K401: 2139-10

The following prescription has been modified for product K402: AF-345

The following prescription has been modified for product K448: 2112-60

The following prescriptions have been modified for product K508: 2022-40, 2023-40, 2028-70, 2123-70, OC-67, moonstone

The following prescriptions have been modified for product K514: 2006-40, 2107-40, 2134-10, OR-129

The following prescription has been modified for product K516: OC-34

The following prescriptions have been modified for product K522: 2108-40, CC-126, OR-116

The following prescriptions have been modified for product K524: 2127-10, 2131-10

The following prescriptions have been modified for product K526: HC-12, OR-269

The following prescription has been modified for product K532: 2064-10

The following prescriptions have been modified for product K537: 2152-70, AF-65, OC-85

The following prescriptions have been modified for product K538: 2152-70, OC-85

The following prescriptions have been modified for product K539: 2152-70, AF-65, AF-560, HC-169, OC-85

The following prescriptions have been modified for product K540: 2152-70, OC-85

The following prescription has been modified for product K542: 2112-60

The following prescriptions have been modified for product K552: HC-25, HC-31, HC-89

The following prescriptions have been modified for product K625: 2137-60, 2167-10, OC-17, OC-52, OR-105, white dove

The following prescription has been modified for product K629: 2130-10

The following prescription has been modified for product K640: 2105-30

The following prescriptions have been modified for product K792: 2124-10, 2129-10, OR-429

The following prescription has been modified for product K796: 2167-10

The following prescriptions have been modified for product N096: 2110-20, CC-512

The following prescription has been modified for product N103: AF-585

The following prescription has been modified for product N105: AF-585

The following prescription has been modified for product N322: 2139-40

Moore's COLOR_x® System Installation Guide

The Benjamin Moore COLOR_x Prescription Book and Color Matching System programs are incorporated into a single software package. It is available on the Benjamin Moore Retailer Portal, Mybenjaminmoore.com or on a CD and runs under the Windows® XP, Windows® Vista, and Windows® 7 operating systems.

Minimum System Requirements

- Intel Pentium® processor 500 MHz or higher.
- 1 GB of RAM
- 750 MB of free hard disk space.
- CD or DVD Drive
- Video card capable of supporting 16M colors
- Printer
- Serial or USB port for spectrophotometer
- Windows® XP, Windows® Vista or Windows® 7

Installation

If you are downloading COLOR_x from the Benjamin Moore Retailer Portal, mybenjaminmoore.com, read the "COLOR_x Download Instructions." This will instruct you how to download and install COLOR_x on your computer.

To install COLOR_x from a CD, you must have the Windows desktop displayed. If there are any other applications running, they should be closed before attempting to install the program. If your system has any automatic virus detection software enabled, it should be disabled before installing.

Insert the CD labeled "COLOR_x System" into the CD drive.

The installation procedure will automatically start and bring you to the **Welcome Screen**.

If the installation does not automatically start, click on the "Start" button, usually found at the lower left corner of the screen. The primary menu will pop up. Click on "Run..." and the "Run" dialog box will display. Type "**D:\SETUP**" (where "**D:**" is the designated drive letter for the CD) on the "Open" line and click on "OK".

The Setup Wizard will guide you through the installation.

License Agreement

As you start the installation, the License Agreement screen appears. Be sure to read this license agreement. If you disagree with the terms of the agreement, then click on the Cancel button to exit the installation. If you agree with the terms, then check the appropriate box to continue the installation. The installation will prompt you to select the software region, United States or Canada. The default is United States.

After the successful installation of the software you may be prompted to reboot your system.

Note: *If you have a previous version of COLOR_x® 6, this installation will not write over any stored samples or stored customers. They can be still be accessed.*