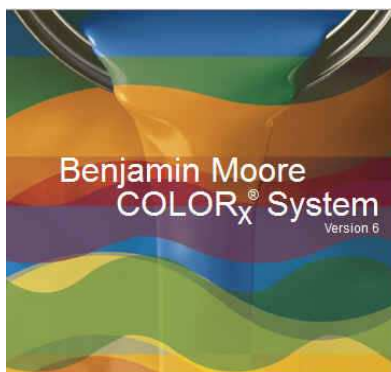


Benjamin Moore & Co. Moore's COLOR_x® System Release Notes & Installation Guide Version 6.27.3000



COLOR_x version 6.27.3000 contains new features, new products, and new competitive colors. It also contains updated Benjamin Moore prescriptions. For a complete list of the updated prescriptions, see page 3.

Colonial Williamsburg Color Collection Available in Waterborne Ceiling Paint

The Colonial Williamsburg colors are now available in Waterborne Ceiling Paint, product 508.

New Products

The following new products are now included in COLOR_x for prescriptions and custom color matching.

- 1- TS31 InsI-X Tough Shield Acrylic Floor & Patio
- 2- 62 Coronado Final Touch
- 3- 90 Coronado Rust Scat Acrylic Semi Gloss

New Competitive Color Collections

The following color collections have been added to this release of COLOR_x.

- 1- Valspar® allen+roth™ colors
- 2- Valspar® colors
- 3- BEHR Deckover® colors
- 4- Kilz Pro-X™ Color Collection 300 Series
- 5- Rust-oleum® Deck & Concrete Restore
- 6- Mitten Building Products

Frequently Asked Questions in COLOR_x Help

A new FAQ document has been added to the COLOR_x software. In COLOR_x, click on Help, then choose FAQ to view the document.

The FAQ document on the COLOR_x software and color matching techniques is also available for download on the mybenjaminmoore.com at:

Product, Color & Technology>Moore's COLOR_x Information>Solutions to COLOR_x FAQs. Choose the "Save" button to save the document as an Adobe PDF file. If you have a problem downloading the document, call your Color Technology representative.

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

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 6.27.2000 (United States)

Many prescriptions for products 5321X, 6324X, N4014X, N4034X, N538 (all bases) and W0964X have been modified. Please refer to the revision date when calling up prescriptions for these products. A revision date after 6/3/2013 indicates a change in the prescription since COLOR_x version 6.27.2000.

Color prescriptions have been added for PM-10, chrome green in products N400, W103 and W105.

The following prescription has been modified for products 281 and W281: 2111-40

The following prescriptions have been modified for product 410: 1658, HC-151

The following prescription has been modified for product 522: 2107-40

The following prescription has been modified for product 524: 2107-40

The following prescriptions have been modified for product 526: 2107-40, 2110-10

The following prescription has been modified for product 528: 2107-40

The following prescriptions have been modified for product 532: 985, 2107-40

The following prescription has been modified for product 548: 2109-50

The following prescription has been modified for product 549: 1622

The following prescription has been modified for product 561: 2110-10

The following prescription has been modified for product 792: AF-290

The following prescription has been modified for product 824: 2162-50

The following prescriptions have been modified for product N133: 2150-70, OC-126

The following prescription has been modified for product N400: 2139-30

The following prescription has been modified for product N540: 2114-10

The following prescription has been modified for product W103: 2139-30

The following prescription has been modified for product W105: 2139-30

The following prescription has been modified for product W625: 688

The following prescription has been modified for product W627: 2110-10

Prescription Changes since COLOR_x Version 6.27.2000 (Canada)

Many prescriptions for products F4034X, K5321X, K6324X, K4014X and K538 (all bases) have been modified. Please refer to the revision date when calling up prescriptions for these products. A revision date after 6/3/2013 indicates a change in the prescription since COLOR_x version 6.27.2000.

A color prescription has been added for PM-10, chrome green in product K400.

The following prescriptions have been modified for product 410: HC-151, OR-403

The following prescriptions have been modified for product F602: 2134-30, 2137-50

The following prescriptions have been modified for product K133: 2150-70, OC-126

The following prescription has been modified for product K400: 2139-30

The following prescriptions have been modified for product K522: 2107-40, OR-129

The following prescriptions have been modified for product K524: 2107-40, OR-129

The following prescriptions have been modified for product K526: 2107-40, 2110-10, OR-129

The following prescriptions have been modified for product K528: 2107-40, OR-129

The following prescriptions have been modified for product K532: 2107-40, CC-500, OR-11, OR-129

The following prescriptions have been modified for product K540: 2114-10, OR-156

The following prescription has been modified for product K627: 2110-10

The following prescription has been modified for product K792: AF-290

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 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.