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Model: Neutral Grey Wash Enamel Paint 35ml Bottle

INTRODUCTION

This manual provides comprehensive instructions for the safe and effective use of AK Interactive Neutral Grey Wash Enamel Paint. This product is designed for modelers to enhance details, create shadows, and add weathering effects to scale models. Please read all instructions carefully before use.

PRODUCT OVERVIEW



Image 1: AK Interactive Neutral Grey Wash Enamel Paint 35ml Bottle. This image displays the product bottle, which is dark grey with a black cap. The label clearly shows "enamel WASH NEUTRAL GREY" and the AK Interactive logo, along with "35ml" indicating the volume.

AK Interactive Neutral Grey Wash is an enamel-based product formulated for creating realistic weathering effects on models. Its neutral grey tone is versatile for various subjects, including vehicles, aircraft, and dioramas, helping to define panel lines, rivets, and other recessed details.

SAFETY INFORMATION

- Use in a well-ventilated area.
- Avoid prolonged skin contact. Wear gloves if sensitive.
- Keep out of reach of children and pets.
- Do not ingest. If swallowed, seek immediate medical attention.
- Keep away from open flames and sources of ignition.
- Dispose of according to local regulations.

SETUP

1. Preparation of the Model Surface

Ensure the model surface is clean, dry, and free of dust or grease. For best results, the model should have a matte or satin clear coat applied over the base paint. A glossy surface may cause the wash to run too freely and not settle properly, while an overly porous matte surface might absorb the wash, leading to staining.

2. Shaking the Bottle

Before each use, shake the bottle thoroughly for at least 30 seconds to ensure the pigments are evenly mixed. The wash may separate over time, and proper mixing is crucial for consistent results.

3. Tools Required

- Fine-tipped brush (for application)
- Flat brush or cotton swabs (for removing excess)
- Enamel thinner (e.g., AK Interactive White Spirit or similar mineral spirits)
- Paper towels or clean cloth

OPERATING (APPLICATION)

1. Applying the Wash

1. Dip a fine-tipped brush into the wash. Remove excess paint from the brush by touching it against the rim of the bottle or a paper towel.
2. Touch the loaded brush to the panel lines, rivets, or recessed details on your model. The wash will flow into these areas by capillary action.
3. Work in small sections to maintain control and prevent the wash from drying before you can clean it.

2. Drying Time

Allow the wash to dry for approximately 15-30 minutes, or until it is touch-dry but not fully cured. The exact drying time may vary depending on humidity and temperature. It should be dry enough not to smear easily but still workable for removal.

3. Removing Excess Wash

1. Moisten a flat brush or cotton swab with enamel thinner. Remove most of the thinner from the brush/swab by dabbing it on a paper towel; it should be damp, not wet.
2. Gently wipe away excess wash from the raised surfaces, moving in the direction of airflow or gravity on the model.
3. Repeat with a clean, thinner-dampened brush/swab as needed until the desired effect is achieved. Be careful not to remove the wash from the recessed areas.

4. For stubborn areas, a slightly more aggressive wipe may be necessary, but always test on an inconspicuous area first.

4. Layering (Optional)

For more intense effects, additional layers of wash can be applied after the previous layer has fully dried (typically 24 hours). This allows for building up depth and grime.

MAINTENANCE

1. Cleaning Brushes

Clean brushes immediately after use with enamel thinner or a dedicated brush cleaner for enamel paints. Rinse thoroughly and reshape the bristles before storing.

2. Storing the Paint

Store the bottle upright in a cool, dry place away from direct sunlight and extreme temperatures. Ensure the cap is tightly sealed to prevent evaporation and drying of the paint.

3. Bottle Care

Periodically clean the threads of the bottle and cap to prevent paint buildup, which can hinder a proper seal and lead to the paint drying out.

TROUBLESHOOTING

- **Wash is too thick or not flowing:** Ensure the bottle is thoroughly shaken. If still too thick, add a very small amount of enamel thinner to the wash on a palette, not directly into the bottle, and mix well.
- **Wash is staining the surface:** This often occurs if the underlying clear coat is not fully cured, is too porous (matte finish without a protective layer), or if the wash was left on too long before cleaning. Ensure a proper clear coat is applied and cured. Work in smaller sections and clean promptly.
- **Wash dries too quickly:** High temperatures or low humidity can accelerate drying. Work faster or in smaller sections. Consider slightly thinning the wash on a palette if it's drying on the brush too quickly.
- **Wash is not settling into recesses:** The surface might be too glossy, or there might be residue preventing capillary action. Ensure the surface has a slight tooth (satin clear coat) and is clean.

SPECIFICATIONS






Brand	AK Interactive
Color	Neutral Grey
Finish Type	Matte
Item Volume	35 Milliliters (1.2 Fluid Ounces)
Paint Type	Enamel
Item Form	Liquid
Special Feature	Washable (with appropriate thinner)

WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

Information regarding product warranty and customer support is not available in the provided product data. For specific inquiries, please refer to the official AK Interactive website or contact your retailer.

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