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Model: M102-0541

1. INTRODUCTION

The Mohawk Finisher's Choice Clear Satin Lacquer (Model M102-0541) is a premium aerosol finish designed for interior wood surfaces. This product provides a durable, clear satin protective coating that enhances the natural beauty of wood while offering resistance to wear and moisture. It is ideal for furniture, cabinets, and other interior woodworking projects. This manual provides essential instructions for safe and effective use.



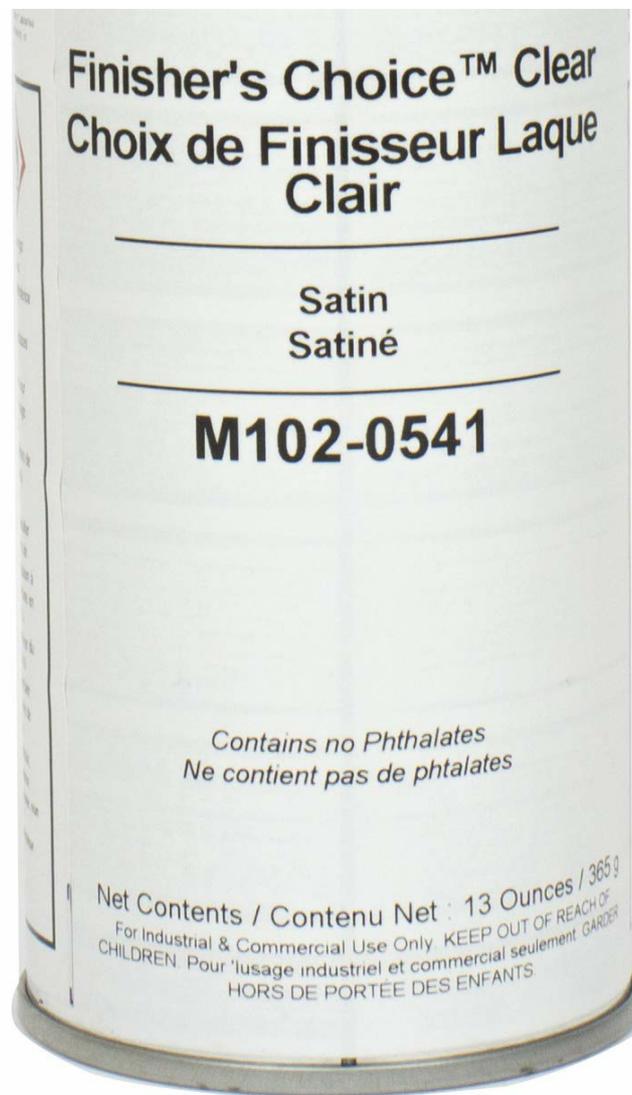


Image 1.1: Mohawk Finisher's Choice Clear Satin Lacquer 13 oz aerosol can. The can features the Mohawk logo and product name, indicating a satin finish.

2. SAFETY INFORMATION

WARNING: This product contains flammable solvents and is under pressure. Read all warnings on the product label before use. Failure to follow safety precautions can result in serious injury or death.

- **Ventilation:** Use only in a well-ventilated area. Open windows and doors or use a fan to ensure adequate airflow. Avoid breathing vapors.
- **Personal Protective Equipment (PPE):** Wear appropriate eye protection (safety goggles), chemical-resistant gloves, and protective clothing to prevent skin contact. A respirator approved for organic vapors is recommended.
- **Flammability:** Keep away from heat, sparks, open flames, and other ignition sources. Do not smoke while using this product. Do not apply near pilot lights or other sources of ignition.
- **Storage:** Store in a cool, dry place, away from direct sunlight and temperatures above 120°F (49°C). Do not puncture or incinerate container.
- **First Aid:** In case of eye contact, flush immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. For skin contact, wash thoroughly with soap and water. If inhaled, move to fresh air. If swallowed, do not induce vomiting; call a poison control center or doctor immediately.

- **Disposal:** Dispose of contents and container in accordance with local, regional, national, and international regulations.

3. SURFACE PREPARATION

Proper surface preparation is crucial for achieving a smooth, durable finish.

1. **Clean Surface:** Ensure the wood surface is clean, dry, and free from dust, grease, wax, or old finishes. Use a suitable cleaner if necessary, and allow it to dry completely.
2. **Sanding:** Sand the wood surface thoroughly in the direction of the grain. For bare wood, start with medium-grit sandpaper (e.g., 120-150 grit) and progress to fine-grit (e.g., 180-220 grit) for a smooth finish. For previously finished surfaces, lightly scuff sand with fine-grit sandpaper (220-320 grit) to ensure adhesion.
3. **Dust Removal:** After sanding, remove all sanding dust using a tack cloth or a vacuum cleaner followed by a damp cloth. Allow the surface to dry completely before proceeding.
4. **Environmental Conditions:** Apply in a well-ventilated area where temperatures are between 65°F (18°C) and 85°F (29°C) and relative humidity is between 40% and 60%. Avoid applying in direct sunlight or extremely humid conditions.

4. APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

Follow these steps for optimal application results:

1. **Shake Can:** Shake the aerosol can vigorously for at least one minute after the mixing ball begins to rattle. Continue to shake occasionally during use.
2. **Test Spray:** Before applying to your project, test spray on a scrap piece of wood or an inconspicuous area to check spray pattern and color.
3. **Hold Distance:** Hold the can upright approximately 8 to 10 inches (20-25 cm) from the surface.
4. **Apply Thin Coats:** Apply the lacquer in light, even coats using a steady, sweeping motion. Overlap each pass slightly. Avoid applying heavy coats, which can lead to runs, drips, and slower drying times.
5. **Multiple Coats:** For best results, apply 2-3 thin coats. Allow adequate drying time between coats (refer to Section 5: Drying & Curing).
6. **Sanding Between Coats:** After each coat has dried, lightly sand with 320-400 grit sandpaper to ensure a smooth surface and promote adhesion for subsequent coats. Remove all sanding dust with a tack cloth before applying the next coat.
7. **Invert and Clear Nozzle:** After each use, invert the can and spray for a few seconds to clear the nozzle. This prevents clogging for future use.

5. DRYING & CURING

Drying times can vary based on temperature, humidity, and film thickness.

- **Touch Dry:** Approximately 10-15 minutes.
- **Recoat Time:** Approximately 30-60 minutes. Lightly sand between coats as described in Section 4.
- **Handle Time:** Approximately 1-2 hours.
- **Full Cure:** The finish will achieve full hardness and durability in approximately 24-48 hours. Avoid heavy use or placing heavy objects on the finished surface during this period.

6. MAINTENANCE

To maintain the beauty and durability of your lacquered surface:

- **Cleaning:** Clean the surface with a soft, damp cloth. For stubborn marks, use a mild, non-abrasive wood cleaner. Avoid harsh chemicals or abrasive scrubbers.
- **Protection:** Use coasters under beverages and felt pads under objects to prevent scratches and water rings.
- **Avoid Extremes:** Protect the finish from extreme heat, cold, and prolonged exposure to moisture.

7. STORAGE

Proper storage ensures the longevity and effectiveness of the product.

- Store the aerosol can in a cool, dry, well-ventilated area.
- Keep away from direct sunlight, heat sources, open flames, and temperatures exceeding 120°F (49°C).
- Ensure the cap is securely replaced after each use.
- Keep out of reach of children and pets.

8. TROUBLESHOOTING

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Runs or Sags	Applying too much material in one coat; holding can too close to surface.	Apply lighter, even coats. Hold can 8-10 inches away. Allow to dry, then sand smooth and reapply.
Uneven Finish / Rough Texture	Improper surface preparation; dust on surface; inconsistent spray pattern.	Ensure surface is clean and dust-free. Practice spray technique on scrap. Lightly sand and reapply.
Blushing (Milky Appearance)	High humidity during application; trapped moisture.	Ensure application in low humidity. If blushing occurs, allow to dry completely, then lightly sand and reapply in better conditions. A blush retarder may be needed for severe cases.
Poor Adhesion	Improper surface cleaning; insufficient sanding of previous finish.	Ensure surface is thoroughly cleaned and properly sanded to create a profile for adhesion.

9. SPECIFICATIONS

- **Product Name:** Finisher's Choice Clear Satin Lacquer
- **Model Number:** M102-0541
- **Brand:** Mohawk Finishing Products
- **Item Form:** Aerosol
- **Liquid Volume:** 13 Fluid Ounces (per can)
- **Finish Type:** Satin
- **Material:** Lacquer
- **Recommended Uses:** Interior wood surfaces
- **UPC:** 663392000371
- **Item Weight:** Approximately 13 ounces (per can)

10. WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

Mohawk Finishing Products strives to provide high-quality products. For specific warranty information, technical assistance, or product support, please contact Mohawk Finishing Products directly through their official website or customer service channels.

Manufacturer: Mohawk Finishing Products

Website: www.mohawk-finishing.com (This is a placeholder link, please verify the official website for the brand)

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