



# Mi-Phos™ M GR

Grain Refiner for Manganese Phosphate used as a heated Pre-dip for Manganese Phosphate.

Mi-Phos M GR has been specifically developed for use on ferrous metals immediately before processing through the Mi-Phos M-5 or similar manganese phosphating solution. The Mi-Phos M GR is supplied as a two-part mix: Part A and Part B. Their use enables the production of fine, even crystalline phosphate coatings. Mi-Phos M GR is particularly beneficial on components that have been alkaline cleaned, or acid pickled.

## Features & Benefits

Two component system	Better pH control
ROHS and REACH compliant	Reduction of hazardous chemicals
Produces fine, dense, uniform phosphate crystal	Uniform phosphate coatings

## Typical Applications

- Pre-Paint and Powder Coat
- Automotive
- Hand Tools
- Military DOD parts

## Operating Conditions

### Equipment

Tanks and all associated equipment can be constructed of mild steel. Ideally, the solution should be air agitated and capable of being heated.

### Typical operating cycle

1. Alkaline clean
2. Rinse
3. Mi-Phos M GR, with agitation
4. Mi-Phos M-5 Phosphate
5. Rinse
6. Sealing rinse



### Operating Parameters

1. Dissolve 2 to 3 g/L of Part A in water in the tank.
2. When Part A has dissolved completely, add by sprinkling over the surface of the tank, 2 to 3 g/L of Part B. The solution should be continuously stirred or air agitated while making this addition.
3. Heat to operating temperature. This product may be used from 180°F to 190°F. Higher temperatures tend to produce more grain refinement at the expense of shorter solution life.

pH	8.5 – 10.0
Temperature	180°F – 190°F
Contact time	5 – 10 min

### **Control Method**

Straightforward analytical control of Mi-Phos M GR is not possible. Solutions are generally discarded on a weekly basis. However, the life of the solution is greatly affected by drag-over contamination, which should be kept to a minimum. Mi-Phos M GR operates at a pH of 9.5. If acid drag-in occurs, the pH should be maintained by adding Part A. Should alkaline drag-in occur, phosphoric acid should be added to restore the correct operating pH. Drag-out losses should be replaced by adding 1 g/L of both Part A and Part B in the same order and manner as described under *Operating Parameters*.

### **Waste Disposal**

Wear protective equipment during cleanup of a spill or leak. Absorb with an inert material such as sand, earth, or vermiculite. Dispose of residue consistent with federal, state, and local regulations.

Mi-Phos M GR is for industrial use only. Read Safety Data Sheet and product label before using. Also, follow supplier's recommendations for all other chemicals mentioned in this technical bulletin.



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