

## STOKES FRENCH POLISHES

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<b>Properties and Uses</b>	<p><b>PROPERTIES</b> Stokes French Polishes produce the deep lustrous finish of Grand Piano standard on furniture, cupboards etc. Resists the action of White Spirit and similar paint solvents. French Polish has a very high electric strength and anti-tracking properties.</p> <p><b>USES.</b> These polishes are mainly used for the production of highest quality finish on furniture and other decorative wood-work. They also provide fast drying insulating varnishes and paper varnishes.</p>									
<b>Technical Data</b>	<p><b>TYPE.</b> Solution of pure shellac in methylated spirit.</p> <p><b>DRYING TIME.</b> 15 to 20 minutes to BS3900 Part C2 under normal conditions of temperature and humidity. Recoatable in 30 minutes.</p> <p><b>THEORETICAL SPREADING CAPACITY.</b> Approx. 11 - 13 sq. metres per litre depending on the surface porosity and texture to achieve a dry film thickness of 25 microns (1 thou).</p> <p><b>FLASH POINT.</b> Below 21°C. HIGHLY FLAMMABLE LIQUID.</p> <p><b>NON VOLATILE CONTENT</b></p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th>French Polish</th> <th>White Polish.</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>By volume</td> <td>27% nominal</td> <td>32% nominal</td> </tr> <tr> <td>By weight</td> <td>33% nominal</td> <td>38% nominal</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p><b>THINNERS AND CLEANING SOLVENT.</b> Stokes Methylated Spirits Ref. TH002.</p> <p><b>HEAT RESISTANCE.</b> French Polishes are not suitable for surfaces which are liable to be heated.</p> <p><b>OIL RESISTANCE.</b> Very resistant to oils and solvents which do not contain alcohol, e.g. White Spirit and other hydrocarbon based paint thinners.</p> <p><b>CHEMICAL RESISTANCE.</b> Good resistance to most common dilute acids and alkalis. Tests should be made for resistance to particular agents before large scale application.</p> <p><b>LEAD CONTENT.</b> Below 0.25% on the dry film.</p> <p><b>COLOUR RANGE.</b> All French Polishes are transparent, however French Polish gives a brown colouration, White Polish has a cloudy appearance and Clear White Polish produces a bright clear finish.</p>		French Polish	White Polish.	By volume	27% nominal	32% nominal	By weight	33% nominal	38% nominal
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<b>Stock Container Sizes</b>	<p>250 ml, 500 ml, 2ℓ and 5 litres containers. Clear White Polish is only available in 5 litre containers.</p>									
<b>Processes</b>	<p><b>PREPARATION.</b> The surface to be polished must be clean, dry and free from grease, dust and dirt. It should be sanded smooth with very fine abrasive paper.</p> <p><b>FINISHING.</b> Apply coats of French Polish until the desired finish is obtained. This may involve as many as 20 coats if a very high gloss finish is required.</p>									
<b>Application</b>	<p>Supplied ready for use. Apply the first 2 coats by brush if the wood is very absorbent, then apply further coats by Pad or Swab.</p>									



# TECHNICAL DATA SHEET

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<b>Storage</b>	<p>Use within 24 months of delivery. Keep in original containers until required for use. Partly used containers should be re-sealed securely and stored according to the recommended manner. (See section 7 of Stokes Material Safety Data Sheet Ref. PL).</p>
<b>Health and Safety</b>	<p>THIS MATERIAL IS HIGHLY FLAMMABLE. REFER TO STOKES MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET REF. PL FOR FULL DETAILS OF FIRST AID, FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES, ACCIDENTAL RELEASE, HANDLING, EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION AND DISPOSAL.</p>
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