

Choose the Right Solvent

Thins (Per Coatings Directions) & Modifies Dry Time

Product	Dry Time	Oil/Alkyd Based Paint	Oil-Based Stain	Oil Polyurethane Varnish	Lacquer	Epoxies	Shellac	Adhesives/ Ink	Fiberglass Resins	Contact Cement	Rubber Cement	Synthetic Stains	Concrete Stains
Linseed Oil	Very Slow												
Paint Thinner	Medium												
Odorless Mineral Spirits	Medium												
Turpentine	Medium												
VM & P Naphtha	Fast												
Lacquer Thinner	Fast												
Denatured Alcohol	Fast												
Acetone	Very Fast												
MEK	Fast												
Xylene	Fast												
Japan Drier	Very Fast			varnish									
Kerosene	Slow												

Cleans

Fuel

Product	Dry Time	Dried latex Paint	Grease	Brushes & Rollers	Paint Sprayers	Tools	Metal	Glass	Marine Stove	Kerosene Heater	Comments
Linseed Oil	Very Slow										Classic wood finish
Paint Thinner	Medium										General Purpose Blend
Odorless Mineral Spirits	Medium										Extra refined to remove odor, residue
Turpentine	Medium										Pure gum artist grade thinner
VM & P Naphtha	Fast										Excellent for spraying oil paint
Lacquer Thinner	Fast										Architectural coatings blend
Denatured Alcohol	Fast										Extremely pure
Acetone	Very Fast										Extremely pure
MEK	Fast										Slower dry time than acetone
Xylene	Fast										Toluene substitute
Japan Drier	Very Fast										Speeds dry time in low temp/humidity
Kerosene	Slow										Pure 1K grade with extra low sulphur



(see other side for Remover information)