

# TQC Cube Applicator

(AB3700, AB3701, AB3702, AB3703, AB3704, AB3705, AB3706, AB3707)

## Product Description

TQC Cube applicator for applying a paint film with a uniform thickness. Each Cube Applicator can apply 2 pre-defined thicknesses, or 2 thicknesses to customer specifications. TQC Cube Applicators are ideal for applying paint on test panels used on for instance a drying time recorder.

Cube applicators are standard equipped with a guide plate. When used with a narrow glass panel (AB3602) this guide plate eliminates the need for a casterguide. The guide plate guarantees straight draw downs on the narrow glass panel (AB3602). The guide plate is fixed with screws and can easily be removed.

Every Cube Applicator is made out of ASAB Stavax ESR medical grade stainless tool steel, which is sub zero vacuum hardened (+1756°C to -70°C), through hardened, hardness HRC 55.

\*Through hardening versus Case-hardening or surface hardening. Through-hardening means the metal uniformly is hardened throughout the piece. Case- or surface (face / frame) hardening only hardens the top layer of the metal. Once the top layer is degraded excessive wear and tear will occur on the product limiting its life time and affecting accuracy.

## Features

- Two application sides
- Corrosie resistant
- Through-hardened medical steel, So very wear-resistant
- Removable guiding plate voor perfectly straight application
- Available in microns and mills
- Also available to customer's own specification
- Calibration Certificate included

## Standards

ASTM D823

## Scope of Supply

- Cube Applicator incl mounted guiding plate
- Calibration Certificate
- Protective plastic case

## Specifications

### Technical Data

Film Thickness:	See ordering information
Reservoir Ø:	15 mm / 0.59 inch
Dimensions:	25 x 24 x 24 mm / 0.98 x 0.94 x 0.94 inch
Weight:	65 g / 2.29 oz
Material:	ASAB Stavax ESR medical grade stainless tool steel. Sub Zero Vacuum hardened (+1756°C to -70°C), hardness HRC 55 (through hardened*)
Surface treatment:	Polished
Overall accuracy:	± 2 µm.

## Ordering Information

<b>AB3700</b>	TQC Cube Applicator, gaps 38 & 76µm
<b>AB3701</b>	TQC Cube Applicator, gaps 50 & 100µm
<b>AB3702</b>	TQC Cube Applicator, gaps 75 & 150µm
<b>AB3703</b>	TQC Cube Applicator, gaps on request (µm)
<b>AB3705</b>	TQC Cube Applicator, gaps 1,5 & 3 mil
<b>AB3706</b>	TQC Cube Applicator, gaps 2 & 4 mil
<b>AB3707</b>	TQC Cube Applicator, gaps 3 & 6 mil
<b>AB3708</b>	TQC Cube Applicator, gaps on request (mil)

## Optional Items

<b>AB3602</b>	Narrow glass beds 25 x 302 x 2 mm, set of 12
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## Use

Select the appropriate gap and place the applicator on a plane smooth surface such as a glass bed. When used with the guidance plate attached, ensure that the guidance plate is placed against the long side of the glass bed. Apply a sample of paint in the centre of the TQC Cube applicator. Draw down the applicator with the evenest possible speed over the surface. The guidance plate has to stay in contact with the glass edge. The Cube Applicator is also suitable to be used with an Automatic Film Applicator.

Due to physical reasons the max. attainable wet film thickness is not equal to the gap depth. Deposited film thickness may vary from 40% to 80% of the clearance/gap depth. Dry film thickness will be lower than wet thickness due to solvent/water evaporation.

## Special Care

- Though robust in design, this instrument is precision-machined. Never drop it or knock it over
- Always clean the instrument after use.
- Only use non-corrosive solvents to clean the instrument. Use a soft, non-abrasive cloth to dry it.
- Never clean the instrument by any mechanical means such as a wire brush or abrasive paper. This may cause, just like the use of aggressive cleaning agents, permanent damage.
- When stored for a long period of time, wrap the instrument in oil paper
- We recommend annual certification

## Disclaimer

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