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**TABLE 4.504.3/TABLE 5.504.4.3**  
**VOC CONTENT LIMITS FOR ARCHITECTURAL COATING<sup>2,3</sup>**  
 Grams of VOC per Liter of Coating,  
 Less Water and Less Exempt Compounds

COATING CATEGORY	VOC LIMIT	COATING CATEGORY	VOC LIMIT
Flat coatings	50	Magnesite cement coatings	450
Nonflat coatings	100	Mastic texture coatings	100
Nonflat high-gloss coatings	150	Metallic pigmented coatings	500
<b>SPECIALTY COATINGS</b>		Multi-color coatings	250
Aluminum roof coating	400	Pretreatment wash primers	420
Basement specialty coatings	400	Primers, sealers, and undercoaters	100
Bituminous roof coatings	50	Reactive penetrating sealers	350
Bituminous roof primers	350	Recycled coatings	250
Bond breakers	350	Roof coatings	50
Concrete curing compounds	350	Rust preventative coatings	250
Concrete/masonry sealers	100	Shellacs: Clear Opaque	730 550
Driveway sealers	50	Specialty primers, sealers and undercoaters	100
Dry fog coatings	150	Stains	250
Faux finishing coatings	350	Stone consolidants	450
Fire resistive coatings	350	Swimming pool coatings	340
Floor coatings	100	Traffic marking coatings	100
Form-release compounds	250	Tub and tile refinish coatings	420
Graphic arts coatings (sign paints)	500	Waterproofing membranes	250
High-temperature coatings	420	Wood coatings	275
Industrial maintenance coatings	250	Wood preservatives	350
Low solids coatings <sup>1</sup>	120	Zinc-rich primer	340

1. Grams of VOC per liter of coating, including water and including exempt compounds.
2. The specified limits remain in effect unless revised limits are listed in subsequent columns in the table.
3. Values in this table are derived from those specified by the California Air Resources Board, Architectural Coatings Suggested Control Measure, February 1, 2008. More information is available from the Air Resources Board.