

# Instructions for Duratrax® Pearl White paint application.

(and **ALL** Pearl, Candy, Metallic and Fluorescent colors)\*

Pearl White is a translucent color so you will need to **back it** with Duratrax Bright White (DTXR4251) for best results. When you purchase Pearl White you will want to purchase the Duratrax Bright White as well.

When doing multiple color paint jobs, mask off the area you want to be Pearl White and then apply all of your darker colors first. Then you can proceed with the Pearl White application.

**When spraying Pearl White it is *very important* that you do it properly to achieve the desired pearlescent effect.**



Begin by spraying a **thin** coat of Pearl White over the entire desired area. **It is very important to spray thin, even coats of the Pearl White so you do not get runs or heavy build up.** Another tip is to make sure that you hold your airbrush or spray can at least 10 inches away from the body. Spraying the paint at a closer distance can cause it to build up too quickly and heavily in certain areas.

Once the first coat is **fully cured**, spray another **thin** coat of the Pearl White onto the body.

**The worst thing you can do when using Pearl White is to apply it too thick, use too many coats, or not allow it to fully cure between coats.** If the paint is not fully cured before you apply your next coat it can trap gasses in the paint, causing negative results.

Once the second coat is **fully cured** you will need to decide if it requires a third **thin** coat or if it is ready to be backed. The only time it would require a third coat is if you have deep areas that may be hard to reach or if you wish to have a heavier pearl affect. **Any more than three coats of Pearl White will start to cause issues with the color and give the results a slight yellowish gold appearance.**

Once your final Pearl White coat is **fully cured** you will need to back it with Duratrax Bright White. **DO NOT RUSH** to get the body finished. Apply multiple **light** coats, allowing the paint to cure between each coat.

Once you have finished with the Duratrax Bright White you can use the Duratrax Base Cover Coat White (DTXR4290) for a more resilient undercoating, if desired.

If you are looking for a special effect, Pearl White can also be backed with other **solid** colors (metallics and candies **DO NOT** work well with pearls), instead of Bright White. It is recommended to experiment with a scrap piece of polycarbonate (Lexan) to achieve the look you desire before painting a complete body.

## PLEASE NOTE:

**\*ALL Pearl, Metallic, Candy and Fluorescent colors must be applied similar to the instructions above and must be backed with a solid color.**