

BULLETIN

FROM WILBERT FUNERAL SERVICES, INC. - ENGINEERING

NOTICE TO LICENSEE NETWORK REGARDING CHANGES IN LINER MATERIAL AND ADHESIVE USE 2/2014

Wilbert is now in position to proceed with the conversion from ABS material used in some of the liners to SHIPS material. A period of testing was required to determine what adhesive would create the best bond between the metal sets and the base and cover liners. We have tested a number of vaults made from a number of licensees in different parts of the USA. These licensees used a wide range of concrete mix designs, in real world conditions and then Wilbert subjected each vault to temperature extremes and other tests. Two adhesives were tested with the SHIPS material. One was the existing E58R with a new primer and the other was the newest formulation of Unidex, UnidexPlus. During testing it has been determined that UnidexPlus is the easiest and most effective adhesive to use when bonding the metal sets to the SHIPS and ABS liner material. ABS liner material when first introduced required the development of an adhesive to bond the metal sets to the ABS liner. E58R was the result.

Wilbert Plastics Services will continue to supply liners made from ABS material until May of 2014. After May of 2014 WPS will be replacing the ABS material with SHIPS material. It is critical that the E58R kits not be used after liners are made from SHIPS material, as the E58R will not bond with the SHIPS material.

Between now and May 2014, all licensees are to use up their stock of E58R kits. Once the E58R kits are used up all metal units are then to be made using UnidexPlus as the adhesive to bond the metal liner sets to the plastic liner.

The assembly process for metal vaults will not change. The only change will be using UnidexPlus after the E58R kits are used up. After taping up the metal sets on the inner core, UnidexPlus will be applied to both the surface of the metal sets and to the inside of the base and cover liner. The liners will then be placed on to the metal sets. The process continues with UnidexPlus being applied to the other surface of the cover and base liner. Then after the form is closed proceed with placing the concrete.

A quality Wilbert vault requires strict adherence to manufacturing standards. Form maintenance, proper storage and handling of all materials, and correct concrete design are essential to produce a vault which provides the customer with a satisfactory experience. As a result of the changes a revised Manufacturing Specification Manual will be made available to the licensee network. If you have any questions about the coming changes please contact Wilbert Technical Services David Becker at 708-273-2001 or Director of Field Service Bobby Morgan at 850-428-0110.