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Thought I would post my CA finishing method for all those interested.

My method I use in a nut shell is as follows:

-1800 RPM-

Sand with 240, 320, and 400 Grit papers.

Wipe down with denatured alcohol (DNA)

Apply a thin sealer coat of Thin CA with 400 grit paper.

New sheet of 400 grit smooth out.

Wipe down with DNA.

MM through 12000 (DNA as needed between coats to remove sanding debris. Usually between each three of the MM.)

Two coats of Myland's cellulose sanding sealer.

MM last four grits through 12000 again.

DNA

-Slow lathe to 500 Rpm. ( or Slowest setting).-

Apply two coats thin CA with Costco Paper Shop towel.  
Air dry only between coats (NO ACCELERATOR).

Apply Two Coats of Thick CA, as smoothly as possible.  
Air dry between coats. (If you do need to use a light application of ACC, I wait at least 1 minute after each CA application, and only use the Aerosol from a distance. I don't have any issues with cloudiness or bubbles this way. The pump ACC does not work for me)

-Speed lathe back up to 1800 RPM.-

Sand with 320 Grit(Sometimes 240 grit if I went crazy) to remove any ridges, swirls etc.

Sand with 400 grit.

DNA

MM through 12000.

DNA

Buffing wheel with White Diamond only.

Hut Plastic Polish applied with paper shop towel.

TSW.

It seems like a ton of work, but really takes about 20 minutes from start to finish. Each grit of paper and MM is a very quick, light sand letting the papers do the work. There is not a ton of time on each grit, though I do make sure I have removed the sanding lines etc. I have worked on this method for quite a while, and it really works the best as far as results for me.

Some people will say: There are overlapping grits, overkill, overdone, why, what for, stepping back down in grit at times, unnecessary, etc. but it works for me. Maybe more of a ritual like a baseball player that goes through his nervous superstitious dance prior to each pitch!

Some Examples:



Cheers,  
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