



This Document is for TCS Sourcebook Edition 3 Updates.

Because of the constant changes in the industry, updating your Sourcebook requires you to “Follow these How to Steps” presented in this document.

Since all of the data you want resides in our TCS Color Matching On-Line System, we offer its free use for a one week period when requested. You may print this two page document for future reference.

How to Find New Colors by Brand

When new colors are released in a brand, they are listed in the TCS On-Line System with the “New” designation. To create a full list of new colors (since 2003) in a single brand, log-in and from the TCS Color Match Main Page follow these steps.

1. From the Search By pull down menu list, choose: Brand/Color Name.
2. Choose the single brand you want for a list of new colors (since 2003) in that brand.
3. From the Search By: Brand/Color Name dialog box, place your cursor in the blank field, and then enter (New exactly as printed, include Left parenthesis, capital N.
4. Check the box for Key Word Search. (Do not forget this step.)
5. Then click “Search” button at the bottom of the dialog window to see the full list of New colors for the single brand you selected.
6. You may print this list, or choose the link to any TCS # to see the full TCS screen where all color matches for all brands is displayed for that single color.
7. Repeat steps above for other brands. Or to refine sort list to a single year by brand:
8. From the Search By: Brand/Color Name dialog box, place your cursor in the blank field, and then enter (New3) exactly as printed, include both parenthesis, capital N. The numeral 3 indicates the year, 2003 and your results will reflect only new colors released in that single year for that selected brand, if any.
9. To get other years, repeat step 8 above and use (New4) for 2004, and (New5) Etc.

Other information is available: All TCS ID’s are blue (IE: TCS-7-1-5) which means you can click on any TCS ID to bring up choices for Shades & Highlights and Alternate color choices and or replacement mixes.

You may copy or print as much information as you want. The choice is yours.

How to Find Discontinued Colors by Brand

When colors are discontinued in a brand, they are still listed in the TCS On-Line System. We also offer alternate mixes* or colors in that brand to replace the discontinued ones. This allows you to recreate an older design or color scheme with current colors.

To create a full list of discontinued colors in a single brand follow these steps:

Log-in and from the TCS Color Match Main Page

1. From the Search By pull down menu list, choose: Brand/Color Name.
2. Choose the single brand you want for a list of discontinued colors in that brand.
3. From the Search By: Brand/Color Name dialog box, place your cursor in the blank field, and then enter the letters disc or (Disc.) exactly as printed, include parenthesis, capital D and end period.
4. Check the box for Key Word Search. (Do not forget this step.)
5. Then click "Search" button at the bottom of the dialog window to see the full list of discontinued colors for the single brand you selected.

You may print this list, or choose the link to any TCS # to see the full TCS screen where all color matches for all brands is displayed for that single color.

6. Repeat the steps above for other brands.

*Learn more about the Alternate Choice button (ALT) and how to use it under the How-To: Find Alternate Colors and Mixes. www.gotcs.net/cms

*Learn more about Shades and Highlights button (S&H), See "How To" article Find Shades and Highlights on this web page www.gotcs.net/cms Left column of screen

Because of the many changes within each paint brand, updating your Sourcebook can be a challenge. But in conjunction with the TCS On-Line service and following these steps, you can gain the information you seek.

Remember, anytime you see a blue TCS ID (IE: TCS-7-1-5) on your screen, that is a hot link to matches in all other brands. You can print or copy this information for future reference.

If you have additional questions, please do not hesitate to ask.

To request a complementary one week use of the TCS Color Match On-Line program, e-mail comments@gotcs.info or phone 317.745.7535 for a discussion.

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