

Graco Launches New Series of Electric and Gas Airless Sprayers

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MINNEAPOLIS--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Feb. 17, 2014-- Graco Inc. (NYSE:GGG), a leading manufacturer of fluid handling equipment, has revolutionized the airless spraying industry with the creation of three new series of electric and gas paint and texture sprayers built specifically to address how contractors work and what types of jobs they most often tackle.

Loaded with features that make spraying easier, faster, and more productive, the Standard, ProContractor, and IronMan series of sprayers deliver unmatched durability and performance.

The *Standard Series* is designed for small residential and repainting contractors who demand everyday reliability. Graco's Standard Series sprayers deliver durability and performance time after time. They handle the widest range of tip sizes, longer hose lengths, and heavier coatings with ease. In addition, they come outfitted with:

- Advantage[™] Drive System runs quiet and is guaranteed for life
- SmartControl[™] 3.0 Pressure Control delivers a consistent spray fan without pressure fluctuations, while the ProGuard[™] Sprayer Protection System guards against bad or extreme jobsite power conditions
- Endurance[™] Pump lasts twice as long as the next leading brand
- MaxPower Brushless DC Motor guaranteed for life (electric models)
- Honda Engines delivers contractor preferred reliability (gas models)
- Rugged Cart Design chrome over steel for years of durability
- Easy Out[™] Pump Filter less mess when changing or cleaning the filter
- Heavy-Duty Prime Valve maintenance-free design withstands high pressure dumping

The *ProContractor Series* is built for large residential and commercial contractors who need to get more work done in a day. With features that enable contractors to work more efficiently and get in, out, and on to the next job site faster, ProContractor sprayers have all Standard Series features, plus:

- QuikReel[™] Hose Reel spool up to 300 ft of hose quickly without twists, kinks or coils
- Ready To Spray a total of 100 ft of hose and gun already installed
- ProConnect[™] 2 Pump Installation and Removal System change out the pump for a spare in seconds using no tools; keeps the sprayer on the jobsite, not in the shop
- LED Display bright easy-to-read screen shows pressure, job/lifetime/gallon counter and self diagnostics
- FastFlush™ Pump Cleaning System cleans the unit up to four times faster using only half the water
- WatchDog[™] Pump Protection System prevents pump damage when paint runs out or a hose breaks
- On-Board Toolbox save time by never again searching for tips, filters, and tools

The *IronMan Series* is designed for ultimate power, durability, and capability. From its MaxLife[®] pump, to its roll cage frame, IronMan sprayers are built for the contractor who routinely tackles large commercial and industrial jobs in extremely challenging environments. In addition to all the features of the Standard Series, IronMan sprayers include:

- MaxLife Extreme Duty Pump runs six times longer between repacks
- Ceramic and Stainless Steel Ball Sets provides maximum versatility no matter the material you're spraying
- ProConnect 2 Pump Installation and Removal System change out the pump for a spare in seconds using no tools; keeps the sprayer on the jobsite, not in the shop
- Roll Cage Frame withstands rugged environments and protects critical components
- LED Display bright easy-to-read screen shows pressure, job/lifetime/gallon counter and self diagnostics
- Flat-Proof Tires roll through the worst jobsite debris without ever going flat

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- WatchDog Pump Protection System prevents pump damage when paint runs out or a hose breaks
- Additional 50 ft of Hose work farther away from the sprayer when needed

For additional information on Graco's three new series of gas and electric airless sprayers and their many features, as well as other Graco spraying products and accessories, visit <u>www.graco.com</u>.

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