

Max Meyer to PPG Paint Code Conversion Table

Max Meyer Code	PPG Code	Color Name
4E1	82593	Light Teal Poly
4J3	26358	Copper Brown Poly
8B2	16131	Blue
8E2	16346	Dark Blue
4G8	26095	Bluish Poly
557	90216	Green
8C7	16078	Light Blue Poly
8E3	16336	DK. Blue Pearl-Mica
4H5	26357	Brown Poly
6J5	46156	Light Green Poly
8D4	16079	Med. Blue Poly
8E5	16557	Blue
4H6	26265	Bluish Poly
6J6	46160	Light Green Poly
8D7	16303	Blue Poly
8E6	16558	Light Blue Poly
4H7	46240	Green Poly
6J7	16314	Light Blue Poly
8D8	920	
8E8	34167	Amethyst Poly
4H8	90519	Ivory

The original Vespa paint codes are for the Max Meyer Paint Company. If you are using the PPG paint then you may need to download the [Max Meyer to PPG](#) conversion chart.

The Max Meyer Codes are made up of a 5 digit or 8 digit number. The meaning of the codes are as follows;

The 5-digit codes

- The 1st digit is the color group. That is 0 for metallics; 1 for whites; 2 for yellows; 3 for browns; 4 for oranges; 5 for reds; 6 for greens; 7 for blues; 8 for greys, and 9 for blacks.
- The next 3-digits is the color code that should be easy to match in the PPG catalog. However since PPG moved the online catalog from the public to a secure site it is hard to get the conversion online but your paint shop should be able to help. Ignore the M at the end.

8-digit codes

- The 8-digit code was first used on the 1960 Vespa 125. Specifically, it used the Light Blue-Grey: MaxMeyer 1.298.8840.
- The first digit is going to either be a "1" (single-stage paint) or "2" (metallic paint).
- The second three digits is a batch code, "268" for Maxi-car; "298" for Bi-lux.
- The 5th digit is the color group: 0 for metallics; 1 for whites; 2 for yellows; 3 for browns; 4 for oranges; 5 for reds; 6 for greens; 7 for blues; 8 for greys, and 9 for blacks.
- The final 3-digits should match the color code in a PPG catalog - but the online PPG catalog is no longer available to the public so your paint shop may have to help. See the attached article that originally was published in the

Read the Article [Vespa Colour Codes Cracked](#) on how Colin Judd cracked the Max Meyer PPG conversion codes.