## Max Meyer to PPG Paint Code Conversion Table



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 teh 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 had 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 attched article that originaly was published in the

Read the Article Vespa Colour Codes Cracked on how Colin Judd cracked the Max Meyer PPG conversion codes.