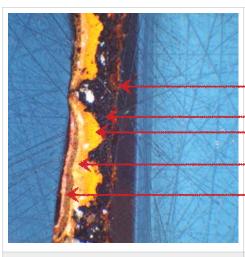
Paint Sample 1
From the centre of one of the square palings.







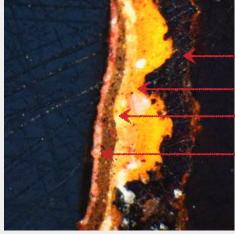
x 50 Magnification Forge coat and the original paint coating layers

Rust pieces

Blacksmith's black coating Red lead primer layer

Intermediate layer

Dark red topcoat layers



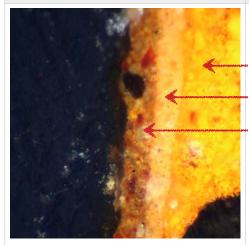
x 100 Magnification Earliest layers

Blacksmith's black forge paint layer

Red lead primer

Intermediate layer

Topcoat dark red finish



X 400 Magnification

Red lead primer

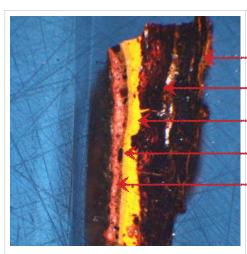
Intermediate layer

Topcoat dark red layer

Paint Sample 2
From the base of one of the square palings.







x 50 Magnification

Rust layer

Forge black paint layer

Red lead primer coat

Pinky intermediate layer

Current Dark Red topcoat layers

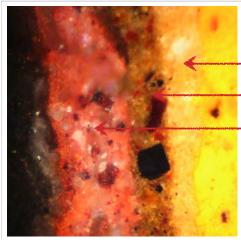


x 100 Magnification

Red lead oxide primer layer

Pinky red oxide/white lead intermediate coat

Dark red topcoat layers



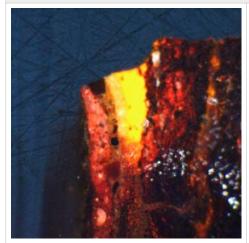
X 400 Magnification First layers

Intermediate layer

First topcoat layer

Final topcoat layer

Lead Paint Present - Yes



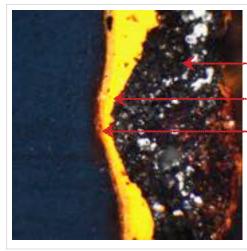
Lead Test

Lead-based ingredients present in all three paint layers as can be seen by the blackening to the lower half of the sample where it has reacted to form lead sulphide.

Paint Sample 3
From a paling below the lockbox area to the gate panel.







x 50 Magnification

Thick black forge paint layer

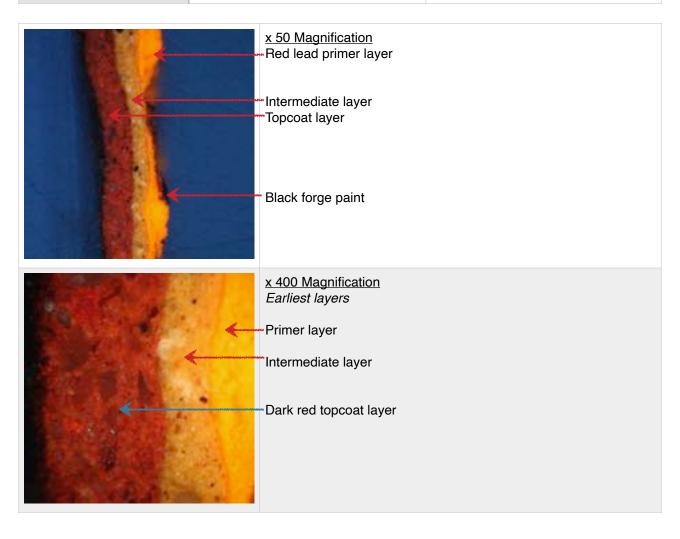
Red lead primer layer

Topcoat layers

Paint Sample 4
From the end of a section of top rail on one side.







Paint Sample 5
From a top rail section
adjacent to a paling hole.



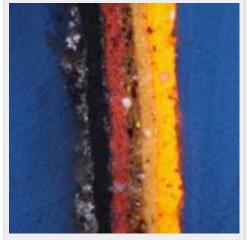


x 50 Magnification Sample showing evidence for the varnish coat

Earliest red lead primer layer Pinky intermediate coat

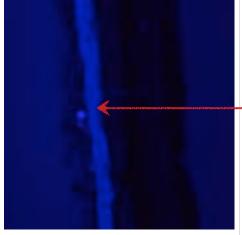
First topcoat layer

Second topcoat layer Varnish layer (to give a glossy finish)



x 100 Magnification Earliest layers

Individual paint layers clearly defined with the varnish layer on top that looks black under normal light.

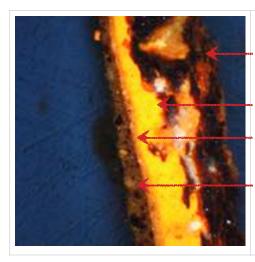


The varnish layer clearly visible as a glowing line under UV light as the resins present fluoresce un these condition.

Paint Sample 6
From a corner post lower section above decorative base.







x 50 Magnification

Mix forge paint and rust pieces

Red lead primer layer

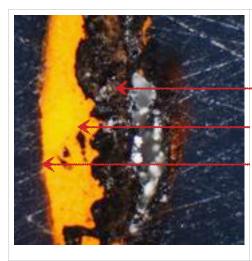
Intermediate pinky layer

Dark red topcoat layers

Paint Sample 7
From a flag staff just below the decorative top piece.







x 50 Magnification

Thick black forge paint layer

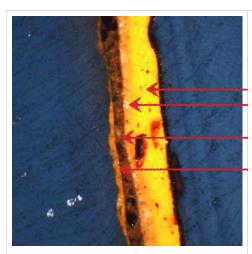
Red lead primer layer

Thin finish coats

Paint Sample 8
From a flag staff top decor 'C' piece.





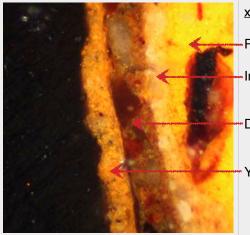


x 50 Magnification Evidence for a yellow layer on top of the dark red (base for gilding?)

Red lead primer layer Pinky intermediate coat

Dark red topcoat layer

Yellow paint layer on top of the dark red finish coat



x 100 Magnification

Red lead primer layer

Intermediate layer

Dark red topcoat layer

Yellow layer found on top of the dark red finish

Lead Paint Present - Yes



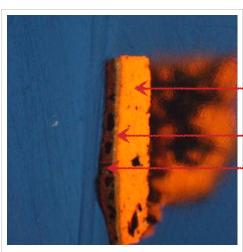
Lead Test

Lead components present in each of the paint layers found on the sample.

Paint Sample 9 From a part of crucifix above flag to staff.





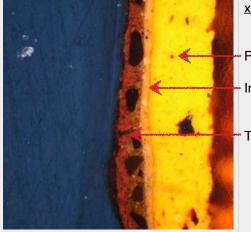


x 50 Magnification

Red lead primer layer

Intermediate coat

Dark red topcoat layer

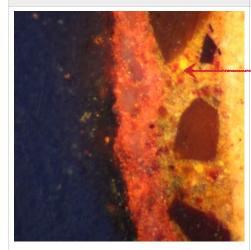


x 100 Magnification

Primer layer

Intermediate coat

Topcoat with large pigment particle visible



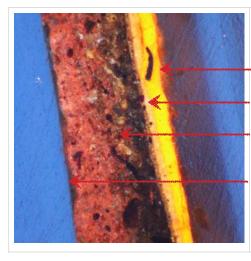
X 400 Magnification

Close up of two topcoat layers showing the large paint particles

Paint Sample 10 From the base rail adjacent to a paling hole.







x 100 Magnification

Red lead primer layer

Intermediate pinky layer

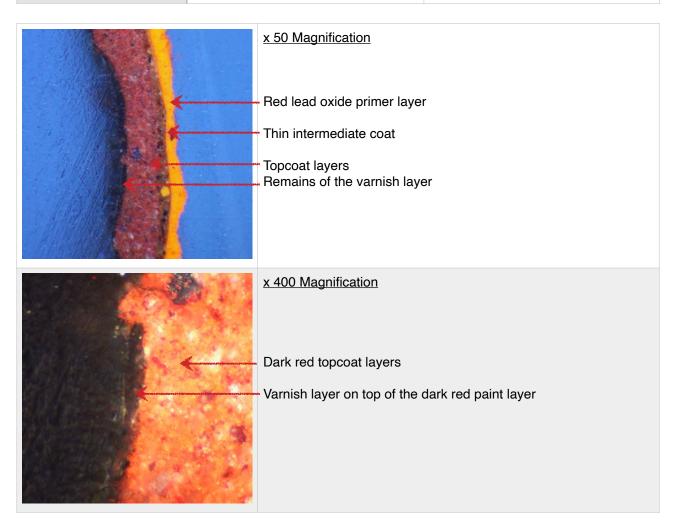
Thick topcoat layers

Possible remains of varnish layer

Paint Sample 11
From a top rail adjacent to a diamond paling hole.



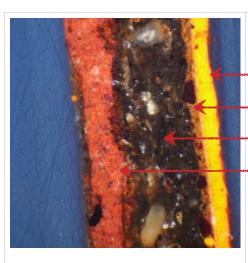




Paint Sample 12
From the end of a short top rail at the connection point.







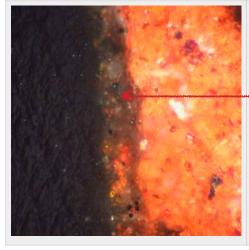
x 50 Magnification

Thin red lead primer layer

Pinky intermediate layer

Thick, dirty first topcoat layer (rough paint mix)

Finish topcoat paint layer



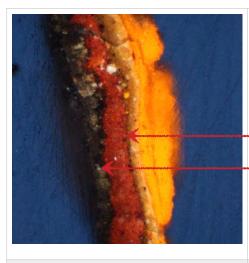
x 400 Magnification Earliest layers

Evidence for the partial remains of the varnish layer but degraded.

Paint Sample 13 From the face of a short section of top rail.





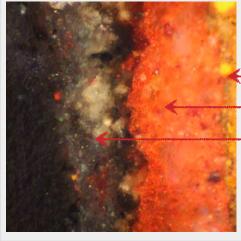


x 100 Magnification

Same make up of paint layers as seen on other samples.

Dark red topcoat layer

Varnish layer evident on top of the paint layer



x 400 Magnification

Intermediate layer

Topcoat layer

-Varnish layer

Paint Sample 14
From the base of one of the iron corner posts.

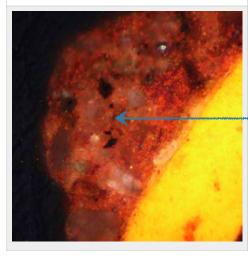




x 100 Magnification Sample from the underside of post base

Topcoat that has run down to the base of the post

Red lead primer



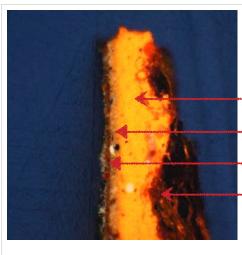
x 400 Magnification Close up image

Run of topcoat magnified.

Paint Sample 15
From the side of one of the centre posts supporting a circular shield.







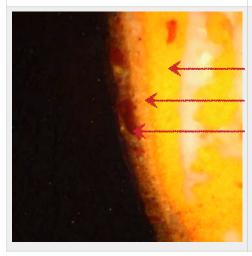
x 50 Magnification

Thick red lead primer layer

Pink intermediate layer

Dark red topcoat

Rust layer



x 200 Magnification Earliest layers

Primer layer

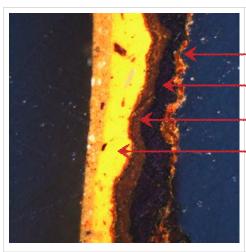
Intermediate layer

Dark red topcoat layer

Paint Sample 16 From the base rail of the gate panel underside.







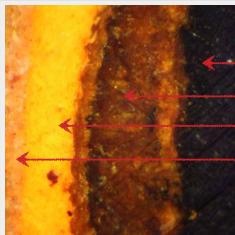
x 100 Magnification

-Rust layer

Black forge paint

Brown finish coats

Red lead primer coat



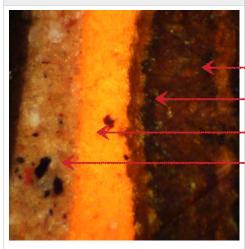
x 400 Magnification Earliest layers

Black forge paint

Earliest brown finish coats (2 no)

Red lead primer coat

Pinky intermediate coat



X 400 Magnification First layers

First brown layer

Second brown layer (original surface)

Red lead primer layer

Present topcoat layers