



CONCRETE FINISHER

CEMENT-BASED DECORATIVE AND DAMPPROOFING COATING

DESCRIPTION

CONCRETE FINISHER is a portland cement-based dampproofing coating.

PRIMARY APPLICATIONS

- Interior/exterior
- Above/below grade
- Precast
- Masonry units
- Brick
- Stone
- Stucco
- Cement plaster

FEATURES/BENEFITS

- Trowel or spray applied
- Excellent adhesion
- Becomes an integral part of the wall
- Fills and levels surface
- Provides uniform surface textures and color
- Highly durable
- Breathable, decorative finish
- Eliminates the high cost of hand rubbed finishing

TECHNICAL INFORMATION

The following are typical values obtained under laboratory conditions. Expect reasonable variation under field conditions.

Material Properties @ 75°F (24°C)

Compressive Strength, ASTM C109 psi (MPa)

7 days 2,700 (18.6)
 28 days 4,000 (27.6)

Flexural Strength, ASTM C348 psi (MPa)

7 days 400 (2.8)
 28 days 850 (5.9)

Tensile Strength, ASTM C190 psi (MPa)

7 days 310 (2.1)
 28 days 398 (2.7)

Impact Resistance, ASTM D2794 in. lb 28

Pull-off Strength, ASTM D4541 psi(MPa) ... 310 (2.1)

Absorption, ASTM C67

24 hour soak 4.9%
 5 hour boil 5.3%

Freeze-Thaw Resistance, %

50 cycles -0.67% Loss

Durability Factor, ASTM C666

300 cycles 97.6%

Chloride Content, ASTM C144 0.0098%

Fungus growth Fed Test 141

Method 6271-1 resistant

Weatherometer ASTM G 26 6000 hours:

No crazing, cracking, chipping, or flaking. Light chalk and color change. No other deterioration.

Salt Spray Resistance

5% solution @ 90°F (32°C) 300 hour exposure:

No adhesion loss or deterioration at completion of the test

Appearance: CONCRETE FINISHER is available in White, and Oyster Gray. It is also available in Gray, which should only be used as a base coat for other finish coats. Various textures may be developed by the applicator using either trowel and float or spray equipment during application.

PACKAGING

CONCRETE FINISHER is packaged in 70 lb (31.8 kg) poly-lined bags.

SHELF LIFE

18 months in original, unopened package.

COVERAGE

One 70 lb (31.8 kg) bag of CONCRETE FINISHER will cover approximately 55 ft² to 70 ft² when applied at 1/8 in. (5.1m² to 6.5m² at 3.2 mm). Leveling uneven surfaces will require more material.

Note: Coverage rates are approximate and for estimating purposes only. Surface texture, porosity, and thickness of coating will determine actual material requirements. Apply samples to all surfaces to be protected. Obtain approval of Architect or Owner for color, texture, and coverage before proceeding with work. Retain sample or mock-up through completion of project.

DIRECTIONS FOR USE

Surface Preparation: Surface must be structurally sound, and free of contaminants including dust, dirt, curing compounds, form release agents, oil, paint, and old coatings. Cure new concrete and masonry surfaces 28 days. Provide an absorptive surface by abrading all substrates including smooth precast or formed concrete. Concrete honeycombs, cavities, joints, cracks, voids, tie holes, and other defects must be opened and routed to sound material. Remove and replace broken or uneven brick/block. Remove form marks and other protrusions to prevent “show through”. Repair surface defects, cracks, and voids before applying CONCRETE FINISHER. Cure patches or other surface preparations 1/2 in. (1.3 cm) or less a minimum of 24 hours before applying CONCRETE FINISHER. Deeper fills will require longer curing periods. Dampen surface with potable water immediately before CONCRETE FINISHER application.

Mixing: Mechanically mix using a slow speed motor and mixing blade to thoroughly disperse ingredients. A mortar mixer may be used for larger quantities. Do not aerate the CONCRETE FINISHER mix. Make mixing liquid by blending 3 parts potable water with 1 part AKKRO-7T in a clean container. Pour approximately one half of the required mixing liquid into an empty, clean container, and begin slow speed power mixing while slowly adding CONCRETE FINISHER. Gradually add more CONCRETE FINISHER and mixing liquid to bring the mixture to the consistency of a heavy, completely blended “pancake batter.” Stop mixing, and allow material to “fatten” for 10 minutes, then remix, and if necessary, add more mixing liquid to adjust to proper application consistency. One 70 lb (31.8 kg) bag of CONCRETE FINISHER will require approximately 8 to 9 qt (7.6 L to 8.6 L) of mixing liquid when mixed for spray consistency, and 6 to 7 qt (5.7 L to 6.7 L) when mixed to trowel consistency. For estimating purposes, one bag of CONCRETE FINISHER will require approximately 2 to 3 qt (1.9 L to 2.8 L) of AKKRO-7T.

Application: Dampen surface with potable water before starting application. CONCRETE FINISHER should be applied while the wall is damp. **Trowel:** Used when the wall surface is uneven, and when it is necessary to level and hide varying surface textures. Trowel apply a base coat, and when partially set, double back with additional material. After the surface has set sufficiently, lightly float to an even, uniform texture using a sponge rubber float. Do not exceed 3/8 in. (0.95 cm) for each lift. To prevent “shadowing” or “photographing” caused by joints, small holes, or uneven absorption, the first coat must air cure a minimum of 5 days before the finish coat is applied. Proper trowel and float procedures will result in an even, uniform, attractive sand finish. A complete range of textures can be obtained by using standard plaster finishing techniques. Do not wet cure CONCRETE FINISHER. **Spray:** Used primarily when large areas are to be coated and when it is not necessary to level the wall. Spray applications will seal and decorate, but will not level the surface or fill holes. Some variance in the spray texture can be expected. Apply a light spray coat to retard surface absorption. Then, double back with additional material before the base coat has lost its sheen. For best results, use an overlapping, circular spray pattern. Do not exceed 3/8 in. (0.95 cm) for each lift. Two coats of CONCRETE FINISHER will be necessary to prevent “shadowing” or “photographing” caused by joints, small holes, or uneven absorption. Air cure the first coat for a minimum of 5 days before the final coat is applied. Use only high production plaster spray machines or hopper-type texture spray guns. Do not use high pressure or airless spray equipment. The AKKRO-7T to water ratio may require adjustment when spraying CONCRETE FINISHER. Do not wet cure CONCRETE FINISHER.

CLEAN-UP

Clean mixing and application equipment with water immediately after use. Clean splatter or spills with water before material sets. CONCRETE FINISHER is extremely difficult to remove if allowed to dry.

PRECAUTIONS/LIMITATIONS

- Do not apply to frozen or frost filled surfaces or when temperature is below, or expected to fall below 40°F (4°C) in 24 hours.
- Do not use on traffic bearing surfaces.
- When applied to the inside of open cisterns, tanks, pools, etc., do not fill with water for at least 7 days after application.
- When using CONCRETE FINISHER containing AKKRO-7T in enclosed tanks or reservoirs, ensure that adequate ventilation is available during application and the total curing period.
- Allow minimum 24 hours drying time before application of a liquid polymer decorative coating.
- CONCRETE FINISHER is not recommended where hydrostatic pressure is present.
- Some colors of CONCRETE FINISHER may chalk or show water marks upon weathering.
- Protect from moisture.
- In all cases, consult the Safety Data Sheet before use.

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