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# SEAL HARD®

SEAL HARD is a concrete densifier that increases the strength of the wear surface of concrete floors subjected to pedestrian and vehicle traffic.

SEAL HARD penetrates concrete to seal, dustproof, densify, and harden the surface and reduce absorptiveness. SEAL HARD floors increase the service life of concrete floors and resist dusting for years after application. SEAL HARD leaves no film and will not alter the natural, high traction texture of the concrete floor. Additionally, SEAL HARD treated floors provide a significant savings in maintenance costs over conventional acrylic, epoxy, and urethane sealers.



## FEATURES/BENEFITS

- Dramatic long-term maintenance cost reduction
- Safe, non-slip, certified high traction
- Zero VOC/ Odorless
- Formulated to resist dusting
- Creates a protective hardened and sealed surface

#### **USES**

- SEAL HARD is a premium densifier that can be used in areas that would benefit from this process including floors subjected to medium or heavy fork lift and tow motor traffic; including those found in warehouses, distribution centers, food processing plants, breweries, and most concrete floors needing rehabilitation.
- Other uses include concrete floors subjected to frequent or heavy pedestrian traffic, such as: civic centers, retail sales outlets, discount stores, restaurants, food preparation areas, sports arenas, stadiums, hospitals, airports, museums, schools and grocery stores.

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## STANDARDS/CERTIFICATIONS

- ASTM C642
- ASTM C779
- NFSI Standard 101.A

#### **Suitable Substrates**

Existing Concrete

## **Packaging**

20ℓ per pail

## Approximate Coverage

 $5 \text{ m}^2/\ell$ 

Additional coats may be necessary under certain porous conditions. Apply second coat after first coat has completely dried. Second coat: 8.6 m $^2/\ell$ 

## Shelf Life

SEAL HARD containers are to be stored in a clean, dry area, temperatures  $\geq 0^{\circ}\text{C}$  and  $\leq 40^{\circ}\text{C}$ . Shelf life of SEAL HARD in unopened containers is two years if properly stored. Do not allow to freeze.

#### Limitations

- Apply when temperatures are 5°C to 40°C.
- Not recommended for long term exposure to strong acid or severe chemical attack
- Apply only to structurally sound concrete surfaces. Not effective on porous or worn concrete
- Variations in concrete finishing and concrete mixes may cause variances in appearance of the SEAL HARD finish
- Not for use as a curing compound
- Will not hide existing staining or wear patterns in concrete
- For Professional Use Only

#### Cautions

- Please refer to the safety data sheet (SDS) for more information
- Any floor can be slippery when wet or contaminated with foreign material. Promptly clean up spills and foreign materials
- Keep from freezing
- Wear protective gloves and goggles
- Avoid prolonged skin contact and absolutely no contact with all food stuffs
- At least 7 days of cure time is recommended before applying SEAL HARD

Mock-ups and field test areas are required in order to validate performance and appearance related characteristics (including but not limited to color, inherent surface variations, wear, anti-dusting, abrasion resistance, chemical resistance, stain resistance, coefficient of friction, etc.) to ensure system performance as specified for the intended use, and to determine approval of the decorative flooring system.

#### TECHNICAL DATA

#### Physical and Working Properties

Property	Observed
Type Solids	Sodium Silicate
Colour	Clear
VOC g/L	0
Abrasion Resistance ASTM C779	≥200% increased wear
	resistance
Skid Resistance ASTM E303	High traction
Static Coefficient of friction Wet	≥ 0.6
or dry	
Surface breathable	Yes
UV Stable	Excellent

Technical data shown in product data sheets are typical but reflect laboratory test procedures conducted in laboratory conditions. Actual field performance and test results will depend on installation methods and site conditions. Field test results will vary due to critical job site factors. All recommendations, statements and technical data contained in this data sheet are based on tests we believe to be reliable and correct, but accuracy and completeness of said tests are not guaranteed and are not be construed as a warranty or guaranty of any kind. Satisfactory results depend upon many factors beyond the control of LATICRETE International, Inc. User shall rely on their own information and tests to determine suitability of the product for the intended use and user assumes all risk, loss, damage, expense and liability resulting from their direct use, indirect use or consequential to their use of the product. LATICRETE shall not be liable to the buyer or any third party for any injury, loss or damage directly or indirectly resulting from use or inability to use the product.

## INSTALLATION

## **Preparation of Existing Floors**

All sealers, paints, wax, coatings, floor coverings and their mastics, as well as any surface contaminants such as oil or food spills must be removed. Non-moving cracks and saw cut, control joints are to be routed, and cleaned. They will be filled later with rapid curing JOINT TITE 750™ or RESTORE™ products after the final steps of the process. Moving cracks must be addressed separately. Repair large or deep surface irregularities with a rapid setting patching compound that meets the requirements of the project. Proceed with grinding and polishing steps as determined by the project requirements.

## **Preparation of New Floors**

New concrete should be finished to a hard trowel finish per ACI-302.1R-8.6.1. Note that SEAL HARD is not a curing compound. New concrete floors must be properly cured for a minimum of 3 days and/or reach compressive strength of 3500 psi (24.1 MPa) before abrasive smoothing steps can begin. Remove all surface sealers and film forming curing compounds. Sealers and curing compounds can be removed with CITREX™ or other approved non-acid cleaner before installation of SEAL HARD.

#### Application

Installation requires the use of an automatic floor scrubber or other mechanical equipment utilizing soft scrubbing pads. Apply a saturating coat directly from container. Aggressively scrub into the surface with a mechanical auto scrubber. Scrubbing will help achieve maximum penetration. Do not use metallic brushes. In hot weather, pre-dampen concrete surfaces with water to cool. After standing water dissipates, apply SEAL HARD.

Do not allow product to dry before flushing excess from surfaces. Keep surfaces wet with SEAL HARD for 30 minutes and continue scrubbing. When product begins to thicken, sprinkle with water and continue scrubbing for another 10-15 minutes. Immediately wash off over-spray from glass, aluminum, or highly polished metal surfaces with water to avoid etching of the surfaces.

Next, thoroughly flush excess SEAL HARD with clean water and remove all solution from the floor by squeegee and wet vacuum.

Additional coats may be necessary under certain porous conditions. Apply another coat [approx. 8.6  $\text{m}^2/\ell$ ] after first coat has been cleaned, rinsed, and is completely dried.

If SEAL HARD residue is not thoroughly washed and removed from floor, excess residue will dry as an unsightly white film or stain. Floor may be placed into service immediately after removal of the rinse residue. Rinse residue is non-hazardous and may be flushed into sanitary sewer. After the residue is removed, dry time is approximately two to four hours.

#### **AVAILABILITY AND COST**

## **Availability**

LATICRETE® materials are available worldwide. For distributor

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Contact a LATICRETE Distributor in your area.

#### WARRANTY

Subject to the conditions and limitations stated below, LATICRETE South East Asia Pte Ltd warrants that its products will be free from manufacturing defects and will not break down or deteriorate under normal usage for a period of one (1) year from the date of purchase when installed in accordance with the written specifications of LATICRETE and industry standard guidelines.

#### **MAINTENANCE**

The long term performance, appearance, and life expectancy of wear surface products are critically dependent upon a good routine maintenance program designed specifically for the installed wear surface type, traffic, and other conditions. Properly placed walk-off mats, inside and outside will help increase the life of the floor. Some cleaning products and equipment or improper use of products can damage a wear surface appearance over time. Recommended maintenance program consists of frequent and through cleanings utilizing FGS CONCRETE CONDITIONERTM. Frequency of washing will vary, as it may be necessary daily, weekly or less frequently depending on floor usage and age. A mechanical walk-behind or ride-on scrubber is an efficient and economical means of regularly cleaning concrete floors. Only soft scrubbing or soft brush attachments should be used when mechanically scrubbing your floor. Do not use aggressive abrasive pads or brushes. The use of black

scrubbing pads, diamond impregnated pads or carbide impregnated type brushes may dull the surface gloss. Wet mops work well on small floors or places where a mechanical scrubber will not fit.

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#### Technical and safety literature

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