Hychem SupaFloor T

Thixotropic, High Build, Multi-Purpose Pigmented Epoxy Coating System



Hychem SupaFloor T is a thixotropic, high build, multi-purpose, solventless epoxy coating designed to be used as either a vertical grade coating or a textured floor coating.

Off the roller Supafloor T provides a stippled/textured finish. For increased slip resistance, SupaFloor T can be used in conjuction with various aggregates including quartz, bauxite or aluminium oxide to produce surface finishes compliant with industry slip/friction requirements.

USE

SupaFloor T is recommended for use as a medium and heavy duty floor & wall coating for industrial and commercial applications.

TYPICAL APPLICATIONS

- · Schools, hospitals and public buildings
- Prisons
- Retail areas
- Domestic and commercial garages
- · Back of house areas
- Stock & Plant rooms
- Workshops
- Pharmaceutical Industry
- Laboratories
- · Food and Beverage Industry

FEATURES AND BENEFITS

- Textured, high gloss finish
- A variety of anti-slip profiles are possible with the addition of aggregates to the material prior to application
- High resistance to mineral acids
- High resistance to caustic and salt solutions
- High resistance to petroleum oils
- Versatile
- Abrasion and impact resistant
- · High mechanical strength
- · Low odour
- Non flammable
- Cures rapidly
- Seamless
- Excellent resistance to water

TECHNICAL PROPERTIES (25°C)

Pot life	20 minutes
Tack free time	8 hours
Recoat time	8 - 24 hours
Cure time	24 hours - foot traffic
	3 days - light mechanical traffic
	7 days - full cure
Hardness Shore D - 7 days	78
Compressive strength	75 MPa

APPLICATION GUIDELINES

Substrate Preparation

Prior to the application of SupaFloor T, the substrate must be adequately prepared.

- The concrete substrate must be firm, clean and dry with a compressive strength of 25 MPa and a minimum surface tensile strength of 1.5 MPa.
- New concrete must be allowed to cure for a minimum of 28 days.
- Remove all surface laitance, contaminants, existing coatings, curing compounds and any weak or loose materials.
- Prepare the concrete surface by Grinding, Shot Blasting, Scarifying, Ultra High Pressure Water Jetting or Scabbling to provide the appropriate concrete surface profile (CSP) for optimum mechanical keying.
- The extent of surface preparation required is dependant upon but not limited to the thickness of the coating system to be applied. It is highly recommended surface prepation is carried out in accordance with industry standards and publications such as NACE 02203 item No. 22420 or ICRI Technical Guideline No. 03732.

Applying

Moisture content of the concrete must be below 6%.

Hychem recommend priming most surfaces with Hyhem E100 prior to the application of SupaFloor T.

Roller Application

- Add pigment pack to part A resin and mix thoroughly with a low speed mechanical stirrer until complete uniformity is achieved. Add part B hardener and again mix until uniform. This should be achieved in approximately 3 minutes.
- Apply the mixed product at a rate of approximately 5-6 m²/litre/coat (flooring) and 7-8 m²/litre/coat (vertical surfaces) over the primed surface.
- For anti-slip flooring applications that require a more textured finish, simply add white aluminium oxide aggregate to the mix at a rate of 5-8% by volume of the total mix. Suitable grades include CA80, CA60 & CA46 which will provide R10 to R11 profiles.

Application guidelines continued...

- 4. NOTE: SupaFloor T is not recommended as a sealer for heavily broadcast, coarse surfaces in which case our regular SupaFloor product should be used due to its superior flow characteristics.
- 5. SupaFloor T can be applied as a top coat over regular SupaFloor which has been applied as either a roller applied coating or a self smoothing finish to provide the desired textured finish.
- 6. Epoxy solvent can be added to SupaFloor T to assist workability due to application and environmental conditions. We recommend using Xylene at a maximum rate of 7% by volume.

MIXING RATIOS

Part A Resin 5.5 kg
Pigment (weight will vary with colour) 500ml
Part B Hardener 2.1 kg

PACKAGING

SupaFloor T Neutral 7.6 kg kit

This kit will yield 6.5 Litres as a roll coat with a 500ml pigment pack

CONSUMPTION RATES

 $1\,x\,6.5$ litre kit of SupaFloor T will cover approximately $40\text{-}45\text{m}^2$ as a floor coating and approximately $50\text{-}55\text{m}^2$ as a vertical coating for walls.

These consumption rates are theoretical and may vary due to the porosity and profile of the surface being coated as well as wastage.

SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

Wear appropriate personal protection equipment. Gloves, eye protection, mask and overalls should be used during mixing and application.

SHELF LIFE

 $12\,\text{months}$ from date of manufacture, stored under shelter at $25^{\circ}\,\text{C}$ in the original un-opened container.

WARNING - ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS

Temperature and the surrounding atmospheric conditions will play a part in the curing process of all epoxy products. Under conditions of low temperatures and high humidity the final cured surface finish can be adversely affected potentially resulting in poor gloss retention, discolouration over time, poor overcoatability and intercoat adhesion. Quite often these conditions will result in the formation of a white film over the surface often only evident after contact with water. This chemical reaction with the atmosphere is commonly referred to as "amine bloom" or "amine blush".

If this occurs then the existing coating will need to be abraded to completely remove the affected surface to ensure the adhesion of subsequent applications. In some cases partial or complete re-priming may be necessary.

To minimise an unsatisfactory cure the following indicative application conditions should be observed with respect to temperature and humidity levels.

21° C and less than 85% humidity

10° C and less than 75% humidity

Attention also needs to be paid to the substrate temperature which should be at least 3-5° C above the dew point during the curing phase.

Industry standards recommend the accurate recording of environmental conditions such as substrate & air temperatures, humidity levels and dew point readings during both the application & curing processes. Full material warranties cannot be provided unless all the relevant data has been recorded accurately.

If in doubt consult the Hychem technical department for advice.

CHEMICAL RESISTANCE

Different epoxy products vary in their resistance to chemicals. Always ensure that the correct product is chosen for the service environment to be encountered. If in doubt contact your Hychem representative or the Hychem technical department for advice. Chemical spillage of acids and sanitizing agents may attack the pigments used in the coating and result in discolouration.

COLOUR

SupaFloor T is an industrial flooring finish which may discolour on exposure to UV light from the sun or an artifical source. The severity of discolouration is dependant on colour choice and the level of exposure. Darker colours appear less affected. Any such discolouration has no effect on the performance of the product.

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