Eco-Tuff Primecoat Primer Installation Guide



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PLANNING/TEST

Proper planning will save you time, money, and help you achieve a long lasting durable floor coating.

1. Measure the project area to estimate the total amount of material that may be required for the project.

2. Inspect the surface for damage, cracks, bond breakers such as existing coatings, sealers, concrete curing compounds, wood tannins, oils, grime, etc., or other foreign elements that may prohibit coating penetration. This step will determine further surface preparation options to consider.

3. Always plan on etching new or old bare concrete. Etching will ensure all loose concrete is removed and will open concrete pores for maximum penetration of the coating primer. For wood, sand as appropriate to remove existing coatings or sealers.

4. Make sure you allow sufficient dry time before starting your project.

Be sure to schedule around weather conditions and recommended temperature range.

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TOOLS/MATERIALS

Mechanical Tool Options: Airless Sprayer w/#.011-.015 Tip, HVLP Sprayer (1.0 -1.3mm spray tip). Low Speed Floor Buffer w/Black Pads, Sanding Discs, Pressure Washer, Commercial Wet/Dry Vacuum with Squeegee Attachment, Floor Fans, Heater.

Manual Tool Options: 3/8" - 1/2" Roller Cover, Squeegee Applicator, Paint Brush.

Miscellaneous Items:

1. Coating Primer Test Samples: Eco-Tuff Primecoat 2 Oz Samples

2. Surface Preparation Materials:

a) Stripping: EcoFast 100 HD Liquid or 100G GEL Paint Stripper.

b) Etching: Eco-Etch™ Pro Etcher & Cleaner.

c) Degreasing: EcoFast 500 Cleaner & Degreaser.

3. Application Supplies: Paint Tray, Masking Tape, Delicate Surface Painters Tape, Plastic Sheeting, Drop Cloth, Shoe Covers or Shoe Spikes, Empty Buckets, Water Supply.

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SURFACE PREP

All surfaces should be properly prepared to be free of all bond breakers such as dust, dirt, debris, oils, lattence, form release and previously installed sealers, coatings, etc.

CONCRETE: A concrete surface profile should be at a minimum (CSP1-CSP3) by chemical etching with (EcoEtch ProTM), 30 - 50 grit diamond grind, or media blast for optimum coating system durability and/or desired texture. If the substrate has excessive moisture or efflorescence, you should conduct a calcium chloride test. Moisture vapor transmission levels should be below 4 lbs per 1,000 square feet over a 24 hour period. If you are in doubt, you may want to apply a water based moisture vapor barrier compatible with water-based topcoats.

WOOD: Sand imperfections and/or remove contaminants, sealers, coatings, etc., with appropriate grit sandpaper. Inspect wood for tannin bleed and chemical leaching from unknown reclaimed or pressure treated wood. Specialty tannin blockers may be required if excessive bleeding is witnessed. Clean thoroughly and allow to dry. Moisture levels should be below 14% to allow proper penetration and bonding.

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APPLICATION

COVERAGE: 300-400 sq.ft. per gallon. Spread rates and coverage will vary depending on surface porosity and application method. Full chemical cure is 3 to 5 days depending on environmental conditions. **DRY TIME:** Typical 30 - 60 minutes depending on temperature. **FULL CURE:** 5 - 7 days. **INSTALLATION TEMPERATURE:** 45°F - 95°F. Delay installation if rain is in the forecast within 24 hours. **NOTE:** Do not apply directly to unprimed metals as flash rust may occur.

Drill mix contents before each use with a "Jiffy" type mixing blade. Avoid creating bubbles during the mix. Typical applications will use a 3/8" lint free nap roller, or airless sprayer (.012-.015 spray tip) as applicable. For best results, apply @ 3-6 wet mils depending on the porosity of the substrate for effective dry film build that fills the pores, but does not create surface puddles.

Topcoats may be applied when the primer is tack free and no later than 24 hours. If waiting beyond that time, it will become a bond breaker and a light sanding and/or reapplication may be necessary. Cooler or high humidity conditions will extend dry time. Use a dehumidifier indoors if humidity is above 80% and time to completion is an issue. Spread rates and coverage will vary depending on surface porosity and application method.

Note: This product is intended to be topcoated for optimum results.

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TOPCOATS

Eco-Tuff Primecoat Primer is a durable stain blocking primer and adhesion promoter. It is intended to be topcoated with our Eco-Tuff Floor Coating or used as a color base with our Eco-Tuff Clear Coat colorized with metallic pigments.

