

Protective Coatings for **PERFORMANCE**

Ply-Guard EP (WB)

Surface Preparation

Concrete must be cured 7 days and be clean, structurally sound, and free of wax, loose paint or curing compounds. Surface may be damp, but standing water should be removed. Concrete should be shot-blasted, acid etched or diamond ground to achieve a minimum 5 mil profile. If acid etched, use of a floor machine with a nylogrit brush is required. Do not allow the etching solution to dry on the concrete. Etched surface must be thoroughly rinsed. Pressure washing after etching is ideal. Do not neutralize with a base material. Carefully follow the guidelines listed in the Polyset Surface Preparation Manual. If surface is prepared by diamond grinding, grind thoroughly to "open up" the surface. Vacuum concrete dust and rinse surface well. Previously coated surfaces must be mechanically cleaned and abraded with steel wool or 80 grit sandpaper.

Mixing Instructions

Mix only that amount of material that can be used in a 2-3 hour period. In very hot weather it is advisable to mix smaller batches to ensure good flow and workability. Because color change can occur as mixed material advances into its pot life, when using as a pigmented finish coat, mix only that amount of material than can be used in 1 hour. Premix Part A before blending with Part B. Combining ratio is 4 Parts A to 1 Part B. **Proportion the amounts** carefully and mix for 2 full minutes using a low speed drill, scraping the bottom and sides of the mixing vessel. 15-20% water must be added to achieve a low application viscosity. A common mixing ratio is 4A:1B:1water.

Application Recommendations

Ply-Guard EP (WB) is normally applied 200-350 sq. ft. per gallon by brush, roller or airless spray. If using as a primer and trapped air in the substrate creates bubbles, continued rolling will cause them to disappear. Ply-Guard EP (WB) should normally be recoated after an overnight cure period. However, if conditions are very cool and/or damp, 48 hours cure time should be allowed before recoating. If the product cures longer than 72 hours, the surface should be

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lightly sanded before recoating. When using a pigmented finish coat, keep a "wet edge" and do not attempt to roll over material that has begun to set as a change in color will result.

Handling Precautions

Use only with adequate ventilation. Appropriate cartridge-type respirator must be used during application in confined areas. Avoid contact with skin; wear protective gloves. Read Material Safety Data Sheet before using.

Slip and Fall Precautions

OSHA and the American Disabilities Act (ADA) have now set enforceable standards for slip resistance on pedestrian surfaces. The current coefficient of friction required by ADA is .6 on level surfaces and .8 on ramps. Polyset recommends the use of angular slip resistant aggregate in all coatings or flooring systems that may be exposed to wet, oily, or greasy conditions. It is the contractor and end users' responsibility to provide a flooring system that meets current safety standards. Polyset or its sales agents will not be responsible for injury incurred in a slip and fall accident.

Moisture Vapor Emissions Precautions

All interior concrete floors not poured over an effective moisture vapor retarder are subject to possible moisture vapor transmission that may lead to blistering and failure of the coating system. It is the coating applicator's responsibility to conduct calcium chloride and relative humidity probe testing to determine if excessive levels of vapor emissions are present before applying any coatings. Polyset can supply moisture remediation products. Consult our technical service department. Polyset and its sales agents will not be responsible for coating failures due to undetected moisture vapor emissions.

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