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CONCRETE ETCH

For use with EPOXYSHIELD® and ROCKSOLID® concrete floor coatings

DIRECTIONS FOR USE: Intended for use on BARE CONCRETE SURFACES ONLY. Application of etch to previously coated, stained or sealed surfaces WILL NOT improve adhesion of subsequent topcoats.

Test for a sealer by lightly sprinkling water onto the surface of the concrete. If water droplets bead up rather than soak into the concrete, then a sealer is present, and an alternative method of surface preparation, such as sanding, must be used. **WARNING!** If you scrape, sand or remove old paint, you may release lead dust. LEAD IS TOXIC. EXPOSURE TO LEAD DUST CAN CAUSE SERIOUS ILLNESS, SUCH AS BRAIN DAMAGE, ESPECIALLY IN YOUNG CHILDREN. PREGNANT WOMEN SHOULD ALSO AVOID EXPOSURE. Wear a NIOSH-approved respirator to control lead exposure. Clean up carefully with a HEPA vacuum and a wet mop. Before you start, find out how to protect yourself and your family by contacting the National Lead Information Hotline at 1-800-424-LEAD or log on to www.epa.gov/lead.

CLEAN: Proper surface preparation is critical to performance. Before painting or staining concrete surfaces, remove any oil or grease spots with RUST-OLEUM® CLEANER & DEGREASER or RUST-OLEUM® HEAVY DUTY DEGREASER (sold separately). Scrub spots thoroughly and wipe up excess cleaner with rags or paper towels to keep contaminants from spreading. Rinse thoroughly with fresh water. Repeat as necessary to completely clean.

MIX: Mix all RUST-OLEUM® CONCRETE ETCH with 2 gallons of water. Mix until dissolved. For best results, use a plastic watering can to evenly distribute solution. Note: Avoid contact with reactive metal (iron, zinc, aluminum) cans.

ETCH: Pre-wet the surface using a hose. Remove pooled water with a squeegee or broom to avoid leaving puddles. Spread the etching solution over a 10'x10' section of the floor. Allow to stand for 1-2 minutes.

Scrub the etch into the surface vigorously with a stiff bristle brush to loosen dust and dirt. While working, keep the entire section wet until it has been completely cleaned and rinsed.

RINSE: Rinse each section thoroughly before starting the next section. For best results, use a foam squeegee to remove the rinse water from the surface and to move dirt and contaminants away from the work area. Repeat twice before continuing to the next section.

Once all sections have been completed, rinse and squeegee the entire surface to remove any etching solution that has been tracked on previously cleaned areas. A wet/dry vacuum can also be used to eliminate excess water, dirt and contaminants. Do not leave pooled water on the floor. The etching solution will not discolor driveways or harm grass or plants if rinsed thoroughly.

ALLOW TO DRY: Allow the floor to dry completely. Wipe your fingers over the clean, dry surface. If you see any dust or powder on your fingers, repeat the rinsing and scrubbing until the floor is clean. If your fingers remain clean, the surface has been properly prepared and is ready for painting or staining.

Note: If the floor is not thoroughly etched and completely rinsed, coatings or stains may not adhere properly to the surface.

CAUTION: POWDER DUST MAY CAUSE IRRITATION TO SKIN, EYES OR MUCOUS MEMBRANES.

Contains: Citric Acid, Anhydrous. MAY CAUSE IRRITATION TO SKIN, EYES OR MUCOUS MEMBRANES. CORROSIVE IN CONCENTRATED AQUEOUS SOLUTIONS.

PRECAUTIONS: Avoid skin or eye contact. Avoid breathing dust. Wear protective equipment (safety glasses and work gloves) when handling. Avoid generating dust. Do not open container prior to use. Aqueous solutions, if in contact with reactive metal (iron, zinc, aluminum), form hydrogen which may form explosive mixtures.

FIRST AID: If dust is inhaled, remove victim to fresh air. If breathing is difficult, administer oxygen. Call a physician. For skin contact, flush with water for at least 15 minutes, while removing contaminated clothing. Call physician if irritation persists. If directly ingested call a physician.

KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN

OTHER SUPPLIES NEEDED

- ☐ RUST-OLEUM® Cleaner & Degreaser or RUST-OLEUM® Heavy Duty Degreaser
- ☐ Stiff bristle broom or scrub brush
- ☐ 2-gallon plastic watering can
- ☐ Foam squeegee (for the most effective cleaning and to speed drying)

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SATISFACTION GUARANTEED: If you are dissatisfied with this product, contact Rust-Oleum Technical Support at 1-888-683-5667 for a product replacement or full refund of the purchase price.



For Maximum Adhesion of Concrete Coatings & Stains

Properly Penetrates Concrete Surfaces for Painting or Staining

Citric Etch-No Dangerous Acids or Fumes

Environmentally Friendly; will not Harm Grass or Plants

Makes 2-Gallons of Etching Solution

Great for Removing Efflorescence

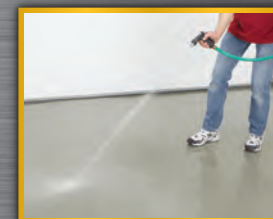
1 LB. (454g)
COVERS UP TO 250 SQ. FT.



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