

# External Floor Paint

**Tough external polyurethane single pack floor paint with a gloss finish**



**“maintenance made easy”**



## PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

**External Floor Paint is a high quality, high solids, single pack floor coating. With a modified polyurethane formulation, External Floor Paint is very easy to use, and is resistant to oils and greases. The coating will withstand foot and light traffic and has a smooth, gloss finish which means it is extremely easy to clean.**

**External Floor Paint can be applied with a non-slip aggregate to create a slip-resistant finish. It is highly cost-effective and very fast drying.**

### TYPICAL USES

Typical applications include garage floors, driveways, basements, porches and patios.

### SUITABLE SUBSTRATES

External Floor Paint may be applied to old and new concrete and tarmac, and is compatible with most previously coated substrates, but should be tested by painting a small area beforehand.

### COLOUR

External Floor Paint is available in a standard range of 12 stock colours, or to order in a large range of BS4800 colours (subject to minimum 30 units).

### PACKAGING

External Floor Paint is supplied in 5L units (or 7kg with added Slip Resistance).

## DIRECTIONS FOR USE

### SURFACE PREPARATION

**THOROUGH SUBSTRATE PREPARATION IS ESSENTIAL.**

The surface must be clean, dry and free from dirt, grease and other contamination. New concrete should be left for at least 3 months before painting, and a moisture check should be carried out to ensure that the moisture content is less than 14%. If it is above 14%, it is possible the paint film will become detached from the substrate due to the effect of hydrostatic pressure as the concrete dries out. Hard concrete or granolithic surfaces should be treated with Polycote *Etch IT* to improve adhesion, and any surface grease or contamination chemically removed using Polycote *Degrease IT*. These treatments must be thoroughly rinsed off and the surface allowed to dry before painting. Pits and holes may be filled using Polycote *Cretex* products. Please refer to relevant Data Sheets.

**DIRECTIONS FOR USE *Cont.***

**MIXING**

Stir very thoroughly before use to ensure full dispersion of solids throughout the mix. Mechanical mixing from the bottom of the tin in an upwards motion is advised for 2 minutes.

Failure to stir the paint sufficiently prior to use can result in colour and gloss differences between the same batches of paint when applied.

**APPLICATION**

Apply by brush or roller (short to medium pile roller). If the area has not previously been treated, thin the first coat with 30% White Spirit to improve penetration and adhesion working well into the surface. This should be left for approx. 24 hours, ensuring it is touch dry, before applying the second coat. Apply second coat unthinned.

On previously sealed floors apply two coats. On previously painted surfaces one coat may provide adequate coverage (we recommend testing a small area first to check compatibility).

With lighter colours 2 coats may be required to deal with opacity issues.

**AVOID APPLYING TOO THICKLY.**

Do not cover at a rate less than 45m<sup>2</sup> (wet film thickness 110µ, dry film thickness 50µ) per 5L unit. Applying polyurethane paint too thickly can prevent curing, resulting in a skin forming on the surface while remaining soft underneath.

**NON-SLIP APPLICATIONS**

For slip resistance, sprinkle Calcined Bauxite aggregate onto the WET first coat. The normal sprinkling rate is 5-18m<sup>2</sup> per 1kg aggregate, depending

on slip resistance required. This method allows selective areas of non-slip treatment to be applied as required. Spiked shoes should be worn to avoid disturbing the wet coating. Allow to dry then re-coat to encapsulate the aggregate.

**DRYING TIME**

Under normal conditions of humidity and temperature (20°C) drying time is approximately 4-6 hours, recoatable after drying overnight.

**APPLICATION TEMPERATURE**

Do not apply below +5°C as drying time will be affected. Do not apply if rain is imminent.

**COVERAGE**

Depending on the texture and porosity of the surface, the coverage of *External Floor Paint* is approximately 45m<sup>2</sup> per 5L unit.

**CLEANING**

Application tools may be cleaned using White Spirit or Turpentine Substitute.

**SHELF LIFE AND STORAGE**

Shelf life in unopened containers is approximately 12 months subject to conditions of storage. Store in a cool, dry, frost-free environment away from sources of ignition.

**HEALTH & SAFETY**

**Before using this product, please ensure you have received and read carefully both the Hazard Label applied to the container and the relevant Material Safety Data Sheets.**

**ANY QUESTIONS?**

Please do not hesitate to contact us for advice regarding the use of this product or its suitability for your particular application. Our aim is to provide all the technical help you need to make an informed choice and achieve total success.

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