

PRODUCT DATA SHEET

Sikafloor[®]-270 ESD

CHEMICAL RESISTANT NOVOLAC HIGH BUILD ELECTROSTATIC CONTROL EPOXY COATING

PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

Sikafloor[®]-270 ESD is a two-component ESD epoxy coating system designed to impart electrostatic control properties to a variety of substrates in conjunction with ESD footwear, including existing nonconductive substrates. Sikafloor 270 ESD complies with ANSI S20.20 - 2014 for product qualification and demonstrates conductive properties to meet other applicable ESD standards.

USES

Sikafloor[®]-270 ESD can be used in almost any environment where the damaging effects of electrostatic discharge (ESD) cannot be tolerated and the enhanced corrosion resistance properties of a novolac epoxy resin system are desired. Industries currently using these coatings are:

- Electronics
- Data Processing
- Military/Aerospace
- Photographic, graphic arts
- Hazardous industries (dust or explosion hazards)
(requires Sikafloor 222W ESD primer)

CHARACTERISTICS / ADVANTAGES

- Consistent resistance measurements are obtained when testing in accordance with standard methods.
- Very low body voltage generation values possible when wearing heel straps C or SD footwear.
- Conforms to ANSI S20.20 - 2014, 1.0×10^9 ohms when tested in accordance with ANSI STM 97.1
- Available in conductive range (2.5×10^4 to 1.0×10^6) ohms per ANSI/ESD S7.1/ASTM F-150.
- Maintains electrical conductivity throughout the entire thickness of the system.
- Does not depend on relative humidity for conductive properties.
- Tough, smooth, non-porous surface is easy to clean and maintain.
- Excellent corrosion resistance especially against inorganic acids.

PRODUCT INFORMATION

Packaging

Component A: 3.0 US gal. (11.4 L)	Resin packaged in one, 5 US gal. pail
Component B: 1.50 US gal. (5.7 L)	Hardener packaged in one, 2 US gal. pail
Components A+B: 4.50 US gal. (17.1 L)	

(Ready to mix unit) Mix all units of all components according to the instructions herein.

Appearance / Color	Refer to ESD color selection guide Other colors require lead time, or may not be possible due to pigment limitations			
Shelf Life	12 months in original unopened container under proper storage			
Storage Conditions	Store at proper conditions			
Volatile organic compound (VOC) content	22 g/L			
Tensile Adhesion Strength	Concrete: 350 psi (2.4 MPa) - concrete failure			(ASTM D-4541) 73°F (23°C)50 % R.H
Coverage	4.50 mixed gallons (approximate coverage) at: 16 mils = 450 ft ² (41.8 m ²) Sikafloor 270 ESD should be applied at 15 - 20 mils. Product will not cure properly if applied at excessive thickness. Do not exceed 20 mils.			
Pot Life	Material Temperature	Time		
	+68°F (20°C)	~ 20 minutes*		
Sikafloor 270 ESD must be applied and distributed immediately after mixing. *Do not apply after indicated Pot Life is exceeded. End of Pot Life is not visible.				
Cure Time	Ambient & Substrate Temperature	Foot traffic	Light traffic	Full cure
	+ 73°F (23°C)	~12-16 hours	~12-16 hours	~5-7 days
Electrical Properties: Full electrical properties reached within 10 days of application at 73°F (23°C).				

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

SURFACE PREPARATION

Surface must be clean, sound and dry. Remove dust, laitance, grease, curing compounds, bond inhibiting impregnations, waxes and any other contaminants. All projections, rough spots, etc. should be dressed off to achieve a level surface prior to the application. Concrete - Should be cleaned and prepared to achieve a laitance-free and contaminant-free, open textured surface by shot blasting or equivalent mechanical means (CSP-3 to CSP-4 as per ICRI guidelines). Sweep and vacuum any remaining dirt and dust with a wet/dry vacuum. Removing residual dust will help ensure a tenacious bond between the primer and substrate. Whenever "shot-blasting" is utilized, be careful to leave concrete with a uniform texture. "Over-blasting" will result in reduced coverage rates of the primer and/or subsequent topcoats. The "shotblast" pattern may show through the last coat, known as "tracking". The compressive strength of the concrete substrate should be at least 3,500 psi (24 MPa) at 28 days and at least 215 psi (1.5 MPa) in tension at the time of application. For other substrates, please contact Sikafloor Technical Services.

Priming

Use of Primer on concrete substrate and/or isolation layer on existing ESD or Epoxy coating is required. Prime with either Sikafloor 160, Sikafloor 161, Sikafloor 1610, Sikafloor 165 and Sikafloor 2570. Allow the primer to cure (varies with temperature and humidity) until tack free before applying subsequent coats. Ensure that the primer is pore-free, pinhole-free and provides uniform and complete coverage over the entire substrate.

Please refer to the individual most current and respective Product Data Sheet for specific and detailed information.

Electrical Grounding

The installation of an isolation layer/primer to seals the substrate is required. A high degree of ESD control may be achieved with ESD top coats without direct connection to an earth grounding point. For applications that are more critical or per project specifications, it is recommended that the various coatings be applied in direct, uninterrupted contact with properly prepared grounding points. Metal floor joints, metal equipment bases and steel columns or posts may be used if they have been electrically tested to confirm permanent continuity with an earth ground. Generally, a minimum of one grounding point per every 1,000 square feet of flooring is sufficient for proper dissipation of static electricity. Adhesive backed copper grounding tape is used as a grounding point. Copper tape can also be used to bridge control joints around columns or different

concrete slabs. Copper tape and the Sikafloor 270 ESD cannot be expected to maintain integrity over expansion joints that experience wide movement. Embedded grounding points, such as copper tape, grounding snaps, etc, must be placed on top of a primer/isolation layer prior to installation of Sikafloor 222W ESD conductive primer.

Methods of installation include, but are not limited to, the following techniques:

1. Use the copper tape to make an electrical connection with the green wire or grounding portion of an electrical outlet. A 4 in. (10.2 cm.) portion of the copper tape is adhered to the floor (cured primer or directly beneath the first coat of Sikafloor 270 ESD). If using a conductive primer, the copper tape must be installed under the conductive primer. Run the remaining tape up the wall and attach it to the electrical outlet. A variation of this technique involves dropping a No. 16 or 18 copper wire, inside the wall from any convenient ground bus so that the wire emerges at the floor/wall junction. At this point, a small hole cut into the drywall or chipped out of the concrete to allow the copper wire to emerge. The copper grounding strip is intertwined with, or soldered to, the stranded copper wire. If intertwined, use a conductive adhesive tape to secure the copper tape with the copper wire. Insert the connection of the copper tape and wire into the wall. The balance of the grounding strip, typically 4 in. (10.2 cm.) is then adhered to the floor.
2. The copper tape can be used to make ground connections with steel columns. The copper tape is adhered to the floor and run up onto the lightly sanded steel column or base. Drill and tap a hole into the steel column or base secure the copper tape using a machine screw and washer.

MIXING

Mix full units only

Premix each component separately. Stir Component A container with a long margin tool to ensure contents are evenly distributed scraping the sides, corners and bottom of the pail. A jiffy-type mixing paddle with a variable speed mixing drill. Then add the Component B to the pigmented Component A and mix for 3 minutes at a moderate speed (300rpm), scraping the container sides, bottom, and corners with a flat or straight edge trowel at least once to ensure complete mixing.

Do not mix more material than can be applied within the working time limits (i.e. Pot Life) at the actual field temperature. Sikafloor 270 ESD must be placed and distributed on the application surface immediately after mixing.

APPLICATION

The Sikafloor 270 ESD should be applied with a notched squeegee over a smooth primed substrate. The notched squeegee should be 18 to 24 inches (45.6 to 60.1 cm) long with 1/16 to 1/8 inch (1.6 - 3.2 mm) notches at 1/4

inch (6.4 mm) intervals. This type of squeegee will apply sufficient material to achieve 15 - 18 wet mils when back rolled. Back rolling is typically done with a 9 inch (22.8 cm) or 18 in (45.6 cm) wide, 3/8 inch (9.5 mm) short nap, solvent resistant roller cover. Back roll the Sikafloor 270 ESD to level the material applied. Over-rolling and late back rolling may cause bubbling and leave roller marks. Divide the floor into sections that can be completed without stopping. When ending a section, tape it off to form a clean edge for an adjacent section.

Sikafloor 222W ESD conductive primer is used in conjunction with Sikafloor 270C ESD: test the primed surface for conductivity prior to the application of Sikafloor 270C ESD. A value of $< 5.0 \times 10^3$ ohms per ANSI/ESD S7.1/ASTM F-150 must be achieved. Do not use with Sikafloor 220W conductive primer. Use only Sikafloor 222W conductive primer.

The recommended application procedures are:

1. Take one 5 gallon (18.9 liter) pail of the mixed Sikafloor 270 ESD and start at one end of the section to be coated. Trim the walls and/or obstructions in the immediate area where the coating will be applied. Pour the Sikafloor 270 ESD in a line approximately 1 ft (0.3 m) from the wall or starting line along the entire width of the section to be coated.
2. The person using the squeegee can then make one pass along the wall or starting line, turn and come back making a second pass adjacent to the first pass. Next, use the rollers to level the Sikafloor 270 ESD squeegee applied material. One person can roll apply a 15 to 20 ft (4.6 - 6.1 m) wide section. Do this as quickly as possible.
3. Pour another line of Sikafloor 270 ESD approximately 1 ft (0.3 m) from the rolled area and repeat step 2. The rolling personnel should make sure they are not leaving puddles or thick sections of Sikafloor 270 ESD at the junction of the previously rolled and freshly applied Sikafloor 270 ESD
4. Follow these procedures until the section is completed. If the work must stop for any reason, use a tapeline as a breaking point.

LIMITATIONS

Notes on Limitations:

Prior to application, measure and confirm Substrate Moisture Content, Ambient Relative Humidity, Ambient and Surface Temperature and Dew Point. During installation, confirm and record above values at least once every 3 hours, or more frequently whenever conditions change (e.g. Ambient Temperature rise/fall, Relative Humidity increase/decrease, etc.).

Substrate Moisture Content: Moisture content of concrete substrate must be $\leq 4\%$ by mass (pbw – part by weight) as measured with a Tramex® CME/CMExpert type concrete moisture meter on mechanically prepared surface according to this product data sheet (preparation to CSP-3 to CSP-4 as per ICRI guidelines). Do not apply to concrete substrate with moisture levels $>4\%$ mass (pbw – part by weight) as measured with Tramex®

CME/CMExpert type concrete moisture meter. If moisture content of concrete substrate is >4% by mass (pbw – part by weight) as measured with Tramex® CME/CMExpert type concrete moisture meter, use Sikafloor 1610 or Sikafloor 22NA/24NA PurCem®. When relative humidity tests for concrete substrate are conducted per ASTM F2170 for project specific requirements, values must be ≤ 85%. If values are >85% according to ASTM F2170 use Sikafloor 1610 or Sikafloor 22NA/24NA PurCem®. ASTM F2170 testing is not a substitute for measuring substrate moisture content. Use a Tramex® CME/CMExpert type concrete moisture meter as described above.

Material Temperature: Precondition material for at least 24 hours between 65° to 75°F (18° to 24°C)

Ambient Temperature: Minimum/Maximum 50°/85°F (10°/30°C)

Substrate Temperature: Minimum/Maximum 50°/85°F (10°/30°C). Substrate temperature must be at least 5°F (3°C) above measured Dew Point.

Mixing and Application must adhere to Material, Ambient and Substr

BASIS OF PRODUCT DATA

Results may differ based upon statistical variations depending upon mixing methods and equipment, temperature, application methods, test methods, actual site conditions and curing conditions.

OTHER RESTRICTIONS

See Legal Disclaimer.

ENVIRONMENTAL, HEALTH AND SAFETY

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