

FABRIKEM® Acid Wash

- Effective Cleaning
- High Degree of Etching
- Water Dilutable & Rinsable
- Economical Preparation

DESCRIPTION AND USE

FABRIKEM® Acid Wash is a powerful acidic solution with high etching and cleaning properties for concrete. Acid Wash takes one layer of laitance off the concrete surface and exposes the fresh concrete and produces a textured surface to increase adhesion of subsequent coatings and sealers. Acid Wash can be diluted with water to provide solutions with different etching capabilities.

APPLICATION

Always test before undertaking large scale cleaning to confirm product selection, to ensure adequate results, to establish appropriate technique, and to establish typical dilution and coverage rates. Sweep the floor to remove loose soil/dirt. Remove all contaminants that are preventing the Acid Wash to reach the concrete surface, such as oil, loose particles, old paint and sealer.

Pre-scrub with Fabrikem® Heavy Duty Degreaser to remove heavily stuck oil or grease. Thoroughly rinse surface. Dilute one part Acid Wash with four parts of water. When working with Acid Wash always wear proper safety rubber gloves, boots and eye goggles. Add Acid Wash to the water to avoid splashing. Apply diluted Acid Wash (4:1) to a dampened concrete surface. Never apply Acid Wash solution onto dry concrete. Acid solution reacts with concrete and starts to bubble and foam. No fizzing reaction is indicative of sealer or contaminants on the floor, which is preventing the Acid Wash from reaching the concrete. Scrub around with a broom to spread the acid evenly. Spray Neutralizer after the acid solution stops fizzing (about 5 min.). Rinse the excess of Neutralizer and acid with cold water pressure washer before it has a chance to dry.

CAUTION

Care must be exercised when using this product. Provide proper protection to all non-masonry surfaces (including glass, metal, hardware, and vegetation). Care must also be used to protect adjacent surfaces which could be damaged by run-off, splash, or overspray.

Adequate ventilation must be maintained at all times. Protective equipment must be worn during every step of the cleaning process.

Do not use this product until first consulting the SAFETY DATA SHEET.

LIMITATIONS

Inspect all surfaces to ensure that they are sound, free of sealer, wax or oil. Surface preparation is the most important aspect in obtaining desirable results. Remove loose materials from the surface. Existing concrete surfaces should be scrubbed with a commercial degreaser using a red or black buffer pad on a commercial floor maintainer. Surfaces that have cured differently or inconsistently poured, will etch with different intensities. The use of Acid Wash is limited to outdoor. For indoor use, all the precautionary measurements regarding ventilation, clothing and neighboring surfaces should be taken into account. Dispose the wash-off in accordance with federal, provincial, and local regulations.

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GUARANTEE

FABRIKEM® guarantees its products when applied in accordance with its printed instructions. Results of inadequate surface preparation, improper mixing, incorrect application, insufficient testing, inadequate protection, ignorance of environmental and safety regulations and other factors beyond the manufacturer's control cannot be held to the manufacturer's responsibility. No responsibility can be accepted beyond the purchase price of the product.

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