

# Fabritone<sup>®</sup> Stain

### DESCRIPTION AND USE

 $\mathsf{FABRITONE}^{\circledast}$  is a series of semi-transparent, water repellent stains for use on concrete, masonry, and stucco surfaces. They are specially formulated to impart an attractively coloured appearance to treated substrates while still allowing the natural aesthetic qualities of the surface to show through.  $\mathsf{FABRITONE}^{\circledast}$  is formulated with acrylic polymers, hydrophobic resins, and select pigments. It is available in gloss and matte finishes in both solvent and water based formulations.

### **ADVANTAGES**

FABRITONE<sup>®</sup> is especially suited to evening out colour irregularities in integrally coloured substrates. It is also ideal for providing tones which are not available in integrally coloured concrete and masonry.

Because FABRITONE<sup>®</sup> is based upon an acrylic copolymer, excellent ultra-violet stability is maintained, eliminating the risk of yellowing or discolouration. The tough film created provides a durable, stain resistant surface which protects the treated substrate from water, atmospheric pollutants, and other sources of staining. Because of its water repellent properties, surfaces treated with FABRITONE<sup>®</sup> remain drier and cleaner, thus reducing maintenance costs as well as making future cleaning easier.

### APPLICATION

Test each surface to ensure compatibility, to confirm product selection, to approve colour, to establish typical coverage rate, and to confirm degree of water repellency. The surfaces to receive FABRITONE<sup>®</sup> should be clean, free of stains, efflorescence, vegetative growth, and thoroughly sound and in good repair. Surfaces to be treated must also be dry.

Any deficiencies should be corrected prior to the installation of FABRITONE<sup>®</sup> (including caulking). On new construction or where repairs have been undertaken, surfaces should be allowed to cure for a minimum of 28 days.

Test panels are imperative. In certain cases, the application of FABRITONE<sup>®</sup> can actually highlight surface variations. Pre-sealing with FABRISHIELD<sup>®</sup> may be required. Consult the manufacturer for details.

Material should be thoroughly stirred before application to ensure proper pigment suspension. To avoid unsightly lap marks, always work to a wet edge, trying wherever possible to end at natural breaks such as door jambs, window frames, etc.

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- Water

Repellent
- Variety of

- Colours
- Acrylic Technology
- Semi Transparent
- Aesthetic Protection

# **APPLICATION** continued,

Preferred method of application is with low pressure (airless type) spray equipment, however brush or roller application is adequate where appropriate. Rubber hoses and gaskets in some sprayers may be affected by the aromatic diluents present in the solvent based formulation.

FABRITONE<sup>®</sup> should be uniformly applied in order to obtain a consistent appearance as well as adequate protection. Material must be applied in the same manner as test panels in order to achieve similar results.

# LIMITATIONS

FABRITONE<sup>®</sup> should not be applied to surfaces which have been wet or rained on during any of the four preceding days or if rain is expected within four hours following application. In excessively cold or humid conditions, these times may need to be extended. Surfaces to be treated must be dry throughout and must not be subjected to moisture ingress from below or behind.

The surface and ambient temperatures should be a minimum of 4°C (40°F) and expected to remain so for at least 24 hours following application.

Do not allow FABRITONE<sup>®</sup> to reach surfaces such as shrubbery, insulation, roofing, and asphaltic materials. Protect all surrounding surfaces such as aluminum, glass, and porcelain, or clean of within 15 minutes of application. All painted surfaces should be protected.

## COVERAGE

Coverages can vary from 75 to 150 square feet per gallon depending on the porosity and surface texture of the substrate. **TEST PANELS ARE THEREFORE IMPERATIVE.** If two coats are deemed necessary, the coverage for the second coat will usually exceed that of the first coat by approximately one third.

## **GUARANTEE**

FABRIKEM MANUFACTURING LTD. guarantees its products when they are applied in accordance with its printed instructions. Results of inadequate surface preparation, improper mixing, incorrect application, inadequate protection, 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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