



Model Specification for Installation of Tekcem 025+ Industrial Screed onto Concrete Substrate Using Two Coats of Tekcem SF Membrane (Red/Black) with Quartz Scatter and Finished with Tekcem Matt Seal (Bonded System)

1. Substrate Requirements

Substrate Type:

Concrete slab suitable for bonded screed systems.

Minimum Compressive Strength:

25 MPa.

Condition:

- Structurally sound and crack-free.
 - Surface must be clean, dry, and free from laitance, oil, grease, dust, curing agents, and other contaminants.
 - Flat and level – significant deviations should be corrected.
 - Surface relative humidity (RH) may be up to **97%** due to use of SF Membrane as a surface-applied DPM.
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2. Mechanical Surface Preparation

Method:

Prepare by vacuum-assisted shot blasting or mechanical grinding to create a clean, open-textured surface.

Cleaning:

Thoroughly vacuum the surface to remove all loose debris and dust.

Moisture Testing:

Test substrate RH in accordance with **BS 8203**. Tekcem SF Membrane can be used where RH $\leq 97\%$.

3. Damp Proof Membrane & Bonding System – Two Coats of Tekcem SF Membrane with Quartz Scatter

Product:

Tekcem SF Membrane – solvent-free, two-part epoxy DPM



- **First Coat:** Red
- **Second Coat:** Black

Quartz Scatter:

Tekcem Quartz (0.7–1.2 mm), broadcast full blind into second coat at ~2 kg/m².

First Coat (Red):

- **Mixing:** Mechanically mix the resin and curing agent for at least 2 minutes.
- **Application:** Apply at ~3 m²/kg using roller or squeegee.
- **Curing:** Allow to become tack-free (~6 hours at 20°C).

Second Coat (Black):

- **Application:** Apply at ~3 m²/kg.
- **While Wet:** Broadcast Tekcem Quartz to full blind coverage at ~2 kg/m².
- **Curing:** Allow a minimum of 14 hours at 20°C.
- **Finish:** Once cured, remove all loose quartz by sweeping and vacuuming.

This two-coat system serves as both a **damp proof membrane** and a **bonding agent**.

4. Tekcem 025+ Industrial Screed Specification

Product:

Tekcem 025+ Industrial – high-performance, shrinkage-compensated, single-part industrial screed.

Water Addition:

5.5 litres per 25 kg unit (maximum 6 litres).

Performance:

- Working time: 20–30 minutes
- Light foot traffic: ~3 hours
- Light forklift traffic: ~24 hours
- Full traffic: ~7 days
- Compressive strength:
 - 15 MPa (1 day)
 - 25 MPa (7 days)
 - 30 MPa (28 days)
- Flexural strength:
 - 4 MPa (1 day)
 - 6 MPa (7 days)
 - 7 MPa (28 days)

**Thickness:**

3–25 mm in a single bonded application.

5. Screed Application

Mixing:

Add powder slowly to water and mix using a slow-speed drill or screed pump until a smooth, cohesive mix is achieved. Allow to stand for 2 minutes, remix, and apply within 30 minutes.

Placement:

Place the screed directly onto the **fully cured, quartz-scattered Tekcem SF Membrane**. Spread and level using a steel trowel. Finish with a spiked roller to release air.

Environmental Conditions:

Substrate temperature: 5–30°C

Ambient RH: <75%

6. Surface Sealing – Tekcem Matt Seal

Product:

Tekcem Matt Seal – two-pack, water-dispersed epoxy resin sealer providing a **clear, matte finish**.

Preparation:

Ensure Tekcem 025+ Industrial screed is **completely dry** before application of seal. Trapped moisture may result in discolouration or surface defects.

Mixing:

Pour resin into curing agent and mix thoroughly for a minimum of 2 minutes using a slow-speed mechanical stirrer.

Application:

- Apply first coat at 4–5 m²/kg using roller, brush or squeegee.
- Avoid pooling and ensure even distribution.
- Allow to dry for **minimum 16 hours** at 20°C.
- If required, apply second coat within 48 hours.

Curing:

- Touch dry: ~16 hours
- Full cure: 7 days
- Protect from water contact for at least 24 hours post-application



Properties:

- Hygienic and easy to clean
 - Resistant to chemicals, oils, and abrasion
 - UV stable, solvent-free, low odour
 - Provides a **durable matte finish**
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7. Post-Installation Guidance

Drying Time (Screed):

Allow **1 day per 10 mm** in good drying conditions. Low temperatures or high humidity will extend drying.

RH Testing:

RH testing in accordance with **BS 8203** should confirm the screed is suitably dry before applying the sealer.

Access:

- Light foot traffic: ~3 hours (screed)
- Full traffic: ~7 days (screed)
- Do not expose Matt Seal to wear, water, or cleaning chemicals until **fully cured (7 days)**

8. Disclaimer

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