

R 41 CE

Solvent based epoxy coating

DESCRIPTION

R 41 CE is a solvent based, epoxy floor coating available in both pigmented and non-pigmented versions. It combines hard wearing properties with decorative finish ideally suited in situations where a seamless, joint free finish floor is required and maximum cleanliness is essential.

As a solvent-based system it is recommended that R 41 CE should not be applied where foodstuffs are being used, processed or stored.

USES

- Laboratories & clean rooms
- Warehouses
- Engineering workshops
- Production and assembly lines
- Chemical production and processing

FEATURES

- Hard wearing - durable with low maintenance costs
- Easily cleaned to maintain hygiene
- Provides gloss finish
- Economical and easily applied
- Good wear and abrasion resistance
- Good general chemical resistance
- Supplied in pre-measured packs for ease of mixing and consistency at site
- Available in a range of colours and non-pigmented version for on-site blending of colour.

PHYSICAL PROPERTIES

R 41 CE	@ 27 ± 1°C
Pot life	2 - 3 hours
Mixed density	Required
Drying Times	
Foot traffic	24 hours
Full cure	7 days
Time between coats	8 - 10 hours
Bond strength	> 2 N/mm ² @ 7 days
Dry film thickness for two coats	100 microns
VOC Content	562.32 g/L

COVERAGE ESTIMATES

Pack size	Coverage
6 kg	18 - 22 m ² /kit/ 2 coats
Part A 4.440 kg	@ 200 microns WFT.
Part B 1.560 kg	

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

Installation of R 41 CE should be carried out by an approved applicator of ARDEX ENDURA.

Surface Preparation

Note: The substrate should have a surface tensile strength of at least 1.5 N/mm².

New concrete floors must be allowed to cure for at least 28 days and shall have an effective damp-proof membrane below to prevent rising dampness. The concrete substrate must be hard, sound, free of dust and other barrier materials such as paint, lime coatings, plaster, curing agents, laitance, oil, grease, wax, polish etc. that will inhibit adhesion to the substrate. Overwatered or otherwise weak concrete surfaces must also be suitably prepared down to sound, solid concrete by mechanical methods. Dust and other debris should be removed using vacuum equipment.

The ideal substrate for application is a flat, lightly textured, clean concrete surface. Surface irregularities must be ground down or filled out with ARDEX ENDURA range of repair materials. Concrete surfaces should be mechanically prepared, either by grinding or other methods to obtain a suitable substrate and be vacuum cleaned.

Priming

High porosity substrates may be revealed after preparation and will be evident by their rapid suction and absorption. In these cases a priming coat of R 3 E Solvent Free Epoxy Primer is advisable before applying R 41 CE.

Mixing

The individual contents of the R 41 CE should be thoroughly stirred before being mixed together. The entire contents of Part B should be poured into Part A and the two materials mixed thoroughly for at least 3 minutes using a heavy duty slow speed drill with spiral paddle. Some of the mixed components should be reintroduced back into the hardener container in order to activate any residue and then poured back into the larger mixing vessel and re-mixed for 30 seconds. Mixing in this way will ensure product consistency and that any resin that remains in the containers after application will cure to provide for easier waste disposal.

Note: Once mixed, the R 41 CE will generate heat and lose working time if it is left in the mixing container or otherwise kept in bulk.

Application

Once mixed the R 41 CE should be poured directly onto the floor and distributed without delay to the prepared surface using a brush or short/medium pile roller. Ensure that the entire surface is coated and that 'ponding' of the material does not occur.

A second coat is applied as soon as the first coat has dried (typically 8 - 10 hours). This time will vary depending upon the condition of the surface and the ambient temperature. Provision

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for ventilation and air movement will be required. When using new rollers, ensure that all loose fibres are removed prior to use, any loose fibres released from the roller will cause unsightly blemishes in the finished coating.

Slip Resistant Finish

A fine textured finish with improved slip resistance may be achieved by the use of R 130 C anti-slip aggregate. Following the application of the first coat of R 41 CE, broadcast R 130 C @ 0.6 - 1.0kg/m² (depending on the area/location of use) onto the wet coating to seed the surface. After initial cure, the excess aggregates should be removed by brushing or vacuuming. The second coat of R 41 CE will then encapsulate the aggregates. Depending on the surface profile and quantity of R 130 C used, the second coat may consume more material than the first coat to achieve a fully sealed surface.

Note: Any joints in the concrete base where differential movement is anticipated such as movement joints should be brought through to the finished surface.

LIMITATIONS

R 41 CE should not be applied in temperatures less than 10°C or where the ambient relative humidity is greater than 85%

CLEANING

R 41 CE can be removed from tools and equipment by using RTC 100 immediately after use. Any hardened material will need to be removed mechanically.

MAINTENANCE

Good housekeeping and regular cleaning is essential in order to maintain the performance of R 41 CE. It is particularly important in areas that are subject to regular spillage of chemicals. Spillages should not be allowed to dry, which results in higher concentrations of the chemicals, which may lead to early failure. Regular cleaning of the surface with a rotary scrubbing machine in conjunction with a water miscible cleaning agent is recommended. Do not steam clean or use hot water above 55°C to wash the surface.

STORAGE AND SHELF LIFE

R 41 CE has a shelf life of 12 months if kept in a dry, clean store between 5°C and 30°C in the original unopened container. The product should be protected from frost, away from direct sunlight and sources of heat.

PRECAUTIONS

During mixing and application the following precautions should be observed: Ensure adequate ventilation and avoid contact of the material with the eyes, nasal passages, mouth and unprotected skin. Avoid contact with the hands by wearing protective gloves and by using, if necessary, a suitable barrier cream. In case of contact with the eyes, rinse immediately with plenty of water and seek medical advice and after contact with the skin wash immediately with plenty of soap and water. Prolonged contact with the skin should be avoided, especially where the user has an allergic reaction to resin-based materials. Always wear gloves and eye/face protection as necessary. Observe personal hygiene, particularly washing the hands after work has been completed or at any interruption whilst work is in progress. Care should be taken when removing gloves to avoid contaminating the insides. In case of accidents seek medical advice.

DISPOSAL/SPILLAGE

Spillage of the product should be absorbed onto sand or other inert materials and transferred to a suitable disposable vessel. Disposal of such spillage or empty packaging should be in accordance with local waste disposal authority regulations.

For further information please refer to the Material Safety Data Sheet.

CONDITIONS OF SALE

Sold subject to the Company's conditions of sale which are available on request.

NOTE

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