



Color Prime

A Colored Primer for Preferred Epoxy

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TECHNICAL DATA SHEET

DESCRIPTION AND USE: Preferred Deck's **Color Prime** is a two-component, water-based epoxy primer that is easy to use and has excellent performance properties. This low-odor primer is Step #1 in the Preferred Epoxy System. **Color Prime** can be used under most epoxy, polyurethane and acrylic materials. The Preferred Epoxy System (with or without **Color Chips**) is ideal for warehouse applications, factory floors, and residential garages. It is the perfect choice for many commercial and industrial applications. This epoxy system can also be used in exterior applications when a UV-stabilizer is added to the **Color Coat** (Step #2).

CHEMICAL COMPOSITION: Modified Bisphenol A epoxy resin crosslinked with a water soluble amine adduct.

COLORS: Three Standard Colors: Desert, Clay, Gray.

LIMITATIONS:

- Exterior applications will show chalking
- Acid etched surfaces must be thoroughly rinsed before coating
- Not recommended for use over acid stain

SURFACE PREPARATION: Concrete must be cured a minimum of 7 days and be clean, structurally sound, and free of wax, loose paint or curing compounds. The surface may be damp, but standing water should be removed. Concrete should be shot blasted, acid-etched or diamond ground to achieve a minimum 5 mil profile. If acid-etched, use of a floor machine with a nylogrit brush. Do not allow the etching solution to dry on the concrete. Etched surface must be thoroughly rinsed. Pressure washing after etching is ideal. Do not neutralize with a base material. If surface is prepared by diamond grinding, grind thoroughly to "open up" the surface. Vacuum concrete dust and rinse surface well. Previously coated surfaces must be mechanically cleaned and abraded with steel wool or 80 grit sandpaper. Adhere strictly to the Preferred Epoxy Surface Preparation Guidelines.

COVERAGE RATE: Each 1.25 gallon kit covers approx. 300 sq. ft. Coverage varies greatly depending on application technique, weather conditions, and type of substrate.

THE PREFERRED EPOXY SYSTEM: Use Preferred Deck's **Color Prime** (Step #1) and let dry overnight. Apply the **Color Coat** (Step #2) and while it's still wet, sprinkle **Color Chips** (Step #3 - Optional) onto the surface. Let dry 1 hour and sweep up chips. Scrape and clean surface and let dry overnight. If **Color Chips** were used, apply **Clear Poly Glaze** (Step #4) within 24 hours. Refer to the Application Instructions for the Preferred Epoxy Color Chip System for more details.

Physical Properties

Mixing Ratio, by Volume: 4-1
Solids Content, by Weight: 51%
Solids Content, by Volume: 43.5%
Volatile Organic Compounds: 50 grams/liter
Pot Life (77°F): 2-3 hours
Cure Times (77 degrees):
 Dry to Touch: 2 hours
 Recoat: 12-18 hours
 Light Traffic: 18-24 hours
 Full Cure: 7 days

Note: Higher temperatures and lower humidity will accelerate cure times. Lower temperatures and high humidity will lengthen cure time.

Performance Properties

Gloss (60 degrees): 85-90
Pencil Hardness (ASTM D-3363): F-H
Adhesion to damp concrete (ASTM D-451):
 Concrete fails before loss of bond
Tabor Abrasion: 60-65 mg. loss
 (1000 gm. load 1000 cycles, CS 17 wheel)

Chemical and Stain Resistance

(ASTM D-1308. 24-Hour Immersion)

Coffee: No effect
Vegetable Oil: No effect
Mustard: No effect
Whiskey: No effect
Urine: No effect
Trisodium Phosphate (25% solution): No effect
Gasoline: No effect
Motor Oil: No effect
Brake Fluid: Slight softening, film recovers
Transmission Fluid: No effect
Mineral Spirits: No effect
10% Sulphuric Acid: No effect
10% Hydrochloric Acid: No effect
10% Acetic Acid: No effect
Xylene: Slight softening, film recovers
MEK: Film destroyed

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MIXING INSTRUCTIONS: Mix only that amount of material that can be used in a 2-3 hour period. In very hot weather, it is advisable to mix smaller batches to ensure good flow and workability. Because color change can occur as mixed material advances into its pot life, mix only that amount of material that can be used within one hour (when using as a finish coat.) Premix Part A and pour into a separate bucket. Then add Part B and 1Part water (it is easiest to just fill up the empty Part B container (so the common mixing ratio is 4A: 1B: 1 water.) If using a partial kit, proportion the amounts carefully and **mix for 2 full minutes** using a low-speed drill, scraping the bottom and sides of the mixing vessel.

APPLICATION RECOMMENDATIONS: **Color Prime** can be applied with a brush, roller or airless sprayer to the slightly damp concrete (no standing water.) If bubbles are created during application, continued rolling will cause them to disappear. **Color Prime** should normally be recoated after an overnight cure period. However, if conditions are very cool and/or damp, 48 hours cure time might be necessary before recoating. If the product cures longer than 72 hours, the surface should be lightly sanded before recoating. When using as a finish coat, keep a "wet edge" and do not attempt to roll over material that has begun to set, as a change in color will result.

CLEAN UP: Isopropyl alcohol, MEK or acetone.

HANDLING PRECAUTIONS: Use only with adequate ventilation. Appropriate cartridge-type respirator must be used during application in confined areas. Avoid contact with skin; wear protective gloves. Read Material Safety Data Sheet before using.

SLIP AND FALL PRECAUTIONS: OSHA and the American Disabilities Act (ADA) have now set enforceable standards for slip-resistance on pedestrian surfaces. The current coefficient of friction required by ADA is .6 on level surfaces and .8 on ramps. Preferred Deck recommends the use of angular slip-resistant aggregate in all coatings or flooring systems that may be exposed to wet, oily or greasy conditions. It is the contractor and end users' responsibility to provide a flooring system that meets current safety standards. Preferred Deck or its sales agents will not be responsible for injury incurred in a slip and fall accident.

WARNING: Harmful if swallowed. Avoid contact with eyes and skin. Goggles and gloves are recommended. Avoid breathing mist or vapors. Use a MSHA/NIOSH approved respirator. Use with adequate ventilation.

FIRST AID: **INGESTION:** Obtain medical attention at once. **EYE CONTACT:** Flush with clean water for 15 minutes and obtain medical attention. **INHALATION:** Remove to fresh air and obtain medical attention. **SKIN CONTACT:** Wash with soap and water. Obtain medical attention if irritation is severe or persistent.

WARRANTY INFORMATION: Preferred Deck products have a limited two year, non-transferable warranty. This warranty refers to such failures as flaking, peeling, chipping and is limited by the specific items listed below. All warranty issues will be investigated by Preferred Deck with the cooperation of the contractor who installed the product. The end-user may be present during this investigation process, but no investigation will occur directly with the end-user (without the presence of the contractor.) Preferred Deck will not under any circumstance be liable for damages in excess of the purchase price of the products used on the job. Preferred Deck is not liable for consequential or secondary damages resulting from the failure of a warranted item or the failure to provide service due to conditions beyond its control. **LIMITATIONS ARE DAMAGES CAUSED BY:** 1. The customer due to neglect, abuse, or lack of reasonable care. 2. Settling due to expansive soil, fill dirt movement, drainage, or alkali-silica reaction. 3. Acts of God. 4. Improper installation. All claims must be reported in writing to Preferred Deck within ten days.

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