

# Mapecrete Hard SB

Silicate-Blend, Liquid Densifier, Sealer and Dustproofer for Concrete



## DESCRIPTION

Mapecrete® Hard SB is a special blend of silicate and silicate polymers specifically designed to penetrate concrete in order to densify, seal, dustproof and harden the surface. It is formulated to chemically react and create an internal bond that increases surface density, durability and abrasion resistance.

## FEATURES AND BENEFITS

- Environmentally friendly with a VOC-free and odorless formula
- Can be applied to newly cured and existing concrete
- Will not discolor, yellow, chip or peel
- Resists and allows for the easy removal of tire marks
- Provides an attractive, durable floor for years after application
- Increases water repellency of concrete surfaces

## WHERE TO USE

- High-performance areas subject to forklift traffic
- Concrete floors subject to high pedestrian traffic
- Polished concrete floors

## SUITABLE SUBSTRATES

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- Newly cured (at least 7 days old) and existing concrete surfaces, structurally sound and stable, with a hard-troweled finish

Consult MAPEI's Technical Services Department for installation recommendations regarding any substrates and conditions not listed.

## SURFACE PREPARATION

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### For new concrete

- After final troweling, moisture-cure or sheet-membrane-cure in accordance with ASTM C171, or use a dissipating resin-curing compound in accordance with ASTM C309. Cure for 7 days or longer for best results.
- Concrete should be clean and free of any dirt, residue, debris and curing compounds before applying *Mapecrete Hard SB*.

### For existing/older concrete

- Concrete should be clean and free of any dirt, residue, debris, curing compounds, cure and seals, paint, coatings, oil and wax that could prevent the penetration of *Mapecrete Hard SB*.

## MIXING

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Before product use, take appropriate safety precautions. Refer to the Safety Data Sheet for details.

- *Mapecrete Hard SB* requires no pre-mixing or blending. Use directly from the container.

## PRODUCT APPLICATION

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Read all installation instructions thoroughly before installation.

1. Pre-dampen concrete in hot weather when ambient temperatures are greater than 80°F (26°C). Apply *Mapecrete Hard SB* after all standing water has disappeared.
2. Apply *Mapecrete Hard SB* to the concrete surface with a low-pressure sprayer, or by pouring it directly onto the surface and aggressively scrubbing into the surface with a soft bristle broom or mechanical scrubber at the rate of 200 to 250 sq. ft. per U.S. gal. (4.9 to 6.12 m<sup>2</sup> per L).
3. The concrete must be kept wet with *Mapecrete Hard SB* for at least 30 minutes. Add additional material to keep the surface wet.
4. If *Mapecrete Hard SB* begins to thicken, lightly spray with clean water and continue scrubbing for another 10 to 15 minutes.
5. Remove all excess material from the surface with a squeegee, push it to the next area and repeat the steps above.

## CLEANUP

- Clean tools and equipment immediately after use with soap and water.
- Dried material may require mechanical means for removal.

## LIMITATIONS

- Do not use *Mapecrete Hard SB* as a curing compound. Using it on new concrete less than 7 days old will inhibit penetration and reduce the product's effectiveness.
- For optimum installation, apply when the surface temperature is between 40°F and 100°F (4°C and 38°C).
- At an ambient temperature of 70°F (21°C), allow *Mapecrete Hard SB* to dry for 4 to 6 hours before permitting exposure to light foot traffic.
- *Mapecrete Hard SB* is a colorless solution that does not alter the appearance of concrete surfaces. It will not hide serious staining or excessive wear.
- Protect adjacent surfaces – including metal, glass and wood – from overspray. Immediately wash off any overspray with potable water.
- *Mapecrete Hard SB* is not recommended for use on textured concrete substrates.
- Do not dilute.
- Do not allow to puddle.
- Cured material can only be removed by mechanical means.

### Product Performance Properties

Laboratory Tests	Results
VOCs	0 g per L
Abrasion/wear resistance – ASTM C779 At 28 days	+ 225% increased wear resistance
Coefficient of friction – ASTM F1679	Dry: 0.81 Wet: 0.72
Liquid repellency (Rilem Method 11.4): Water absorbed in 24 hours	Untreated concrete: 0.169 U.S. oz. (5 mL); <i>Mapecrete Hard SB</i> -treated concrete: 0.034 U.S. oz. (1 mL)

### Shelf Life and Application Properties

Shelf life	2 years in original, unopened container
Consistency	Sprayable and pourable liquid
Color	Clear
Drying time at 70°F (21°C)	1 hour
Ready for light foot traffic	4 to 6 hours
Ready for wheel traffic	24 hours

## CSI Division Classification

Concrete Finishing

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## Packaging

## Sizes

5 U.S. gals. (18.9 L)

55 U.S. gals. (208 L)

## Approximate Coverage\*

per 1 U.S. gal. (3.79 L)

## Substrate Type

Hard-troweled concrete

## Coverage

200 to 250 sq. ft. per U.S. gal. (4.9 to 6.12 m<sup>2</sup> per L)*\*Coverage varies depending on the surface porosity.*

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Refer to the SDS for specific data related to health and safety as well as product handling.

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