

## DURO-NOX LSC



Standard performance, chemically reactive, water based, lithium silicate type liquid floor hardener, sealer and densifier. Component of the **DURO-FLOOR COLOR SYSTEM** and the **DURO-FLOOR CLASSIC SYSTEM**.

VOLATILE ORGANIC COMPOUND (VOC) REGULATORY COMPLIANCE

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### HOW IT WORKS

DURO-NOX LSC penetrates deep into concrete surface pores of where it chemically reacts with calcium hydroxide (lime) to produce water insoluble calcium silicate hydrate gels that fill surface pores to densify, harden and seal treated concrete floor surfaces. The reduced reactivity of DURO-NOX LSC makes it the best choice for application to freshly placed concrete and for final application to diamond polished concrete, including dyed, stained or colored diamond polished concrete.

### APPLICATIONS

- ◆ Use to seal, harden and densify all new or existing (less than 3 years old) interior concrete floor surfaces.
- ◆ Ideal for use in warehouses, distribution centers, retail stores, restaurants, schools, indoor malls, office complexes, food processing plants, dairies, breweries, food lockers and bottling plants.
- ◆ Also use on freshly placed concrete floor surfaces after final finishing (see Precautions) to provide interim protection during construction.
- ◆ Use on diamond polished and dyed, stained or colored diamond polished concrete floors and counter tops to improve gloss and to harden and densify without causing discoloration.

### ADVANTAGES

- ◆ Increases abrasion resistance and surface hardness.
- ◆ Does not require rinsing or flushing with water following product application. Eliminates the costly disposal of hazardous (alkaline) rinse water.
- ◆ Hardens and increases the abrasion, impact and wear resistance of concrete floors where high volumes of pedestrian and/or forklift traffic are expected.
- ◆ Provides permanent protection to the depth of penetration.
- ◆ Reduces the porosity of concrete surfaces to improve the chemical and stain resistance to most organic acids, alkalies, salts, foods, fats, oils, greases.
- ◆ Densifies, strengthens, seals and dustproofs soft or dusty concrete floors.
- ◆ Provides interim floor protection from stains and minor abrasion from construction traffic when applied to freshly placed concrete after final finishing.
- ◆ Improves the adhesion of subsequently applied line stripes, paints and coatings to soft or weak concrete surfaces.
- ◆ Overall performance and life far surpasses that of conventional membrane forming acrylic cure and seal type products.
- ◆ Breathable and does not contribute to floor sweating.
- ◆ Complies with USDA requirements for incidental food contact.
- ◆ Increases floor surface light reflectivity, thereby increasing overall interior brightness.

- ◆ Surface gloss appearance continues to increase through regular use and with cleaning.
- ◆ Because of the chemical reaction when applied to concrete, DURO-NOX LSC treated surfaces will never peel or flake.

### ▲ PRECAUTIONS ▲

- ◆ Do not use on latex or epoxy polymer modified concrete.
- ◆ Do not use on concrete previously treated with wax or resin-containing cures, sealers or bondbreaker compounds. These products must be removed by chemical or mechanical means as they interfere with the penetrating properties of DURO-NOX LSC.
- ◆ Protect from freezing. Allowing product to freeze can cause the container to rupture as well as the separation of the active components, resulting in poor product performance. Product which is suspected of freezing should not be used.
- ◆ Verify that product is within the "USE BY" date stated on product packaging. Do not use expired product. The use of expired product may result in poor product performance for failure.
- ◆ Apply at substrate temperatures above 40° F (4° C) and below 100° F (38° C).
- ◆ Do not apply in direct sunlight. Best results are obtained when DURO-NOX LSC is applied in the shade or at oblique sun angles (morning or early evening).
- ◆ Avoid contact with glass, aluminum and steel. If exposure occurs, immediately flush with water. Failure to do so may result in permanent surface discoloration.
- ◆ Before using on dyed, stained or colored concrete (diamond polished or unpolished), contact Nox-Crete for specific procedures required. Incorrect application procedures could result in unacceptable discoloration of the concrete surface.
- ◆ Application over acid stained concrete requires the surface to be neutralized, thoroughly rinsed and allowed to adequately dry prior to application of DURO-NOX LSC.
- ◆ Application of DURO-NOX LSC to water saturated concrete floor surfaces or during periods of high humidity may prolong the dry time and makes the surface susceptible to water staining.
- ◆ Not recommended for application to concrete floor surfaces that are over three years old unless the floor surface has been previously diamond ground to remove carbonation and expose unreacted lime.
- ◆ Some form of surface preparation is generally required prior to top coating DURO-NOX LSC treated floor surfaces with a subsequently applied paint, coating or adhesive. For specific surface preparation procedure recommendations see ICRI guideline No. 03732.
- ◆ Over application or following incorrect product application procedures may result in an unacceptable concrete surface appearance. To avoid a potential problem, perform a test application following proper procedures prior to beginning work.

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- ◆ Improper application of DURO-NOX LSC to freshly placed concrete can result in the formation of white surface discoloration that may be unacceptable in appearance and difficult to remove.

## USE INSTRUCTIONS

- ◆ Request current product literature, labels and safety data sheets (SDS) from manufacturer and read thoroughly before product use.
- ◆ Environmental and substrate conditions and concrete mix design have a major impact on product selection, application methods, appearance and performance. Product literature provides general information for some conditions. However, an adequate test application by the installer in advance of field scale use is mandatory (irrespective of any other verbal or written representations) to verify that product and quantities purchased can be adequately applied and will achieve desired appearance and performance.
- ◆ Best results are obtained when several representative test samples of DURO-NOX LSC are applied at different application rates to the floor to be treated and evaluated for dry time and appearance. Under most conditions, the best results are achieved when DURO-NOX LSC becomes dry to the touch within 15-20 minutes following product application. Longer dry times indicate over application which may result in surface discoloration. Shorter dry times indicate under application which may result in reduced product performance.
- ◆ Variations in concrete mix designs, placing and finishing procedures and weather conditions make it impossible to prescribe specific application rates that are inclusive of all site variables. The typical application rate to burnished, steel trowelled concrete is 500-700 sf / gal (12-17 sm / L). More porous surfaces will generally require a heavier application rate, while less porous surfaces will generally require a lighter application rate.
- ◆ The application rate of DURO-NOX LSC to freshly placed, steel trowelled, burnished concrete is generally higher due to the higher moisture content and higher alkalinity of the floor surface. This application rate (see Precautions) is 600-900 sf / gal (15-22 sm / L).
- ◆ Application of DURO-NOX LSC to freshly placed concrete floors should be performed after all control joints have been cut. All saw cut residue must be thoroughly removed prior to product application. Failure to remove saw cut residue can result in an unacceptable appearance. Protect surface from wind-blown dust or dirt until dry.
- ◆ Surfaces to be treated must be clean and free from dirt, dust, paint, residual wax or resin curing compounds, bondbreaker, sealers and standing water. For existing concrete surfaces, it is recommended that floors be cleaned using Nox-Crete's biodegradable floor stripper, BIO-CLEAN, and a scrubbing machine with stiff nylon bristles. A dilution rate of 1 part BIO-CLEAN to 5 parts water is generally sufficient.
- ◆ Temperatures during application should be above 40°F (4°C) and no more than 100° F (38° C). To minimize rapid drying in warm weather conditions, best results are obtained if applications occur in the shade or at low sun angles.
- ◆ For large areas, apply product with an airless sprayer evenly to floor surface. Care should be given to avoid walking, driving or dragging equipment across freshly treated surfaces. Footprints, tire tracks, puddles, runs or other surface film imperfections should be immediately spread smooth with a micro-fiber applicator pad. Do not allow product to dry before spreading.
- ◆ For smaller areas, apply using a low pressure hand pump sprayer and immediately spread uniformly with a micro-fiber applicator. Do not allow product to dry prior to spreading.
- ◆ It is not necessary to work DURO-NOX LSC into the floor surface with a scrubbing machine after application. However, it is essential that the product be applied evenly and uniformly to achieve maximum performance and appearance.

- ◆ Once DURO-NOX LSC begins to chemically react with concrete, it thickens. Avoid disturbing the wet film at this stage. Damage to the thickening wet film may result in surface imperfections.
- ◆ Once DURO-NOX LSC has dried, any remaining dried powder residue can be removed with a stiff bristle broom or floor scrubbing machine.
- ◆ To improve the gloss, DURO-NOX LSC can be burnished with a high-speed (2,000 rpm) burnisher using diamond impregnated or natural hog hair burnishing pads.
- ◆ For additional gloss, stain protection and reduced slipperiness, apply a finish coat of DURO-POLISH or DURO-POLISH PLUS.

## TECHNICAL DATA

<b>Color</b>	Colorless
<b>Clarity</b>	Clear
<b>Odor</b>	None
<b>Freeze Point</b>	32° F (0° C)
<b>Flammability</b>	Nonflammable
<b>VOC</b>	0 g / L

Complies with USDA requirements for incidental food contact.

## TEST DATA

Average % improvement compared to untreated control samples.

### Hardening, ASTM C779 Procedure B

200% improvement compared to control after 15 minutes

## PACKAGING

Packaged in 5 gal (19 L) pails and 55 gal (208 L) drums.

## SHELF LIFE

Shelf life is two years. Use before the "USE BY" date stated on product packaging.

## HANDLING/STORAGE

Store in a dry location within a temperature range between 40° F (4° C) and 100° F (38° C).

## AVAILABILITY & TECHNICAL SERVICES

In addition to corporate offices in Omaha, Nebraska, NOX-CRETE Products Group maintains regional offices and distribution centers in principal markets throughout the world. For source or technical information, call 800-669-2738 or 402-341-2080.

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