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## CERTI-VEX<sup>®</sup> SS PLUS AIM

WATER REPELLENT SILANE/SILOXANE SEALER • SALT GUARD • LOW VOC

### DESCRIPTION

**CERTI-VEX SS PLUS AIM** is a cost effective clear low VOC solvent based silane/siloxane water repellent sealer for use on vertical and horizontal porous surfaces. Use on brick, block, concrete, pavers and some natural stones. Assists in preventing efflorescence, damage from freeze/thaw and protects surfaces from destructive water and chloride salt penetration.

### BENEFITS

- Good protection against water and the elements
- Effective chloride screen
- High solids formula
- Breathable - Does not trap moisture
- Easy to apply - Reduces labor costs
- Helps resist cracking, spalling, and staining
- Keeps surface cleaner
- Reduces on-going maintenance and repair costs
- Ideal for cool weather application
- Does not alter natural surface texture and appearance
- Low VOC

### PRE-INSTALLATION NOTES

- A test application is necessary on each surface to be treated to ensure compatibility and desired water repellency. Test areas are also useful in determining final application rate and procedure.
- If the material in the test area does not fully penetrate due to coatings or inadequately cleaned surface, re-clean using one of Vexcon's recommended concrete and masonry cleaners.
- If a tacky residue remains after 24 hrs, the application rate must be modified. Material which remains tacky on the surface can usually be removed by washing with soapy water or a vinegar solution.
- Tests should be applied using the same equipment and techniques planned for job application.
- Inadvertent overspray should be immediately rinsed with water. If allowed to dry, clean with **Certi-Vex Equipment Cleaner** and rinse with clean water. Protect non-porous surfaces.

### SURFACE PREPARATION

- Re-point any loose or deteriorated mortar, all caulking, patching and joint sealants should be installed and fully cured prior to application.
- Fresh concrete should be properly cured see Curing Recommendations.
- All surfaces to be sealed must be properly cleaned. Power wash surface clean of dust and construction dirt. Use Vexcon's New Construction and Restoration Cleaners to clean surface materials, previous coatings, atmospheric stains and other harder to clean contaminants.
- Application to still damp surfaces with no sign of visible darkening is acceptable, free standing water must be removed. Surfaces must be absorbent to ensure good penetration.

### SPECIFICATIONS/COMPLIANCE

- VOC <250 grams/liter or <2.08#/gal
- Meets:
  - US EPA AIM, OTC, LADCO/MRPO, & CEPA/EC - Waterproofing Sealers
  - CARB & SCAQMD – Rule 1113 – Reactive Penetrating Sealers
- Certi-Vex SS Plus is based on Powerseal technology, which meets requirements of NCHRP 244 series II.
- ASTM C642 - Water Absorption – minimum 75% reduction
- ASSHTO T-260- Reduction of Chloride - minimum 75% reduction
- ASTM E96 – Vapor Permeability – minimum 80%
- Durability/Resistance to Sunlight/Discoloration and Alkalinity/Deterioration - Excellent
- ASTM D5095 – Total Solids - 12%
- CSI Reference: 07 19 16 – Water Repellents

### CURING FRESH CONCRETE

Fresh concrete can be cured with **Certi-Vex Envio Cure**, a clear ASTM C-309 compliant cure. Allow to dissipate or remove with **Certi-Vex HD Floor Cleaner**.

### COVERAGE

- One gallon of Certi-Vex SS Plus AIM will cover approximately 50 - 200sq.ft (1.25 - 5m<sup>2</sup>/l) depending on substrate. Always test for best results.

### APPLICATION

- Mix well before each use and during application.
- Do not dilute.
- If brush application is used, wet on wet. Do not brush out allow to penetrate and dry. Brush out heavy runs and drips that don't penetrate.
- Preferred application is by low pressure sprayer (20-PSI) using the minimum line pressure required. Tip size 0.11-0.12 or for pump up sprayer 0.5gal/min.

### HORIZONTAL SURFACES

- Apply in a single saturating application with sufficient material applied so the surface remains wet for a few minutes before penetration into the surface.
- Surface residues, pools and puddles should be broomed or brushed out until they completely penetrate into the surface.

### VERTICAL SURFACES

- Apply material in a gentle spray with as little atomization as possible. Saturate material on the surface from the bottom up creating a 6 to 12 in. (150 to 300 mm) run down.
- Extremely porous substrates may require 2 applications. Let the first application penetrate for 5 – 10 minutes before applying second application.
- Drop cloths should be used to protect bushes, grass or other vegetation from overspray. Clean up overspray immediately.

## **PHYSICAL PROPERTIES**

- Color Clear
- Solids 12% Minimum
- Flash Point 19°F (-7°C)

## **DRY TIMES**

Dry times are based upon 68 - 77°F (20 - 25°C). Lower temperatures and relative humidity will extend dry times.

- Dry Time 35-40 min.

## **SPECIAL NOTES**

- Allow 5-7 days for the product to fully react before evaluation.
- Full water repellency may take up to 7 days to develop.
- Do not apply water repellent treatment when surface temperatures are below or expected to fall below 20°F (-6°C).
- Do not apply water repellent treatment when surface temperatures are above 85°F (29°C).
- Do not apply water repellent treatment on windy days.
- Mix well before each use and during application.
- Protect product from freezing.
- Protect asphalt surfaces from overspray.
- Application should not be attempted if it has rained and substrate is saturated (not damp) or if rain is anticipated within 24 hours after application.
- Do not apply to frozen surfaces.
- Will not inhibit water penetration through unsound or cracked surfaces or surfaces with defective flashing, caulking or open joints.
- Equipment Clean up: Use soapy water when wet and Certi-Vex Equipment Cleaner when dry. Flush with water before use.
- Glass and other non porous surfaces: Protect before use or clean as soon as possible with soap and warm water. If dry, clean with Certi-Vex Equipment Cleaner. Test prior to full use.
- Shelf Life: If properly stored in its original sealed container, twelve months. Rotate your stock.
- For use by experienced contractors.
- Storage/ Handling: Store in tightly sealed original factory container. Keep from freezing and exposure to moisture. Store at room temperature prior to use. Care should be taken to keep dirt, water and contaminants away from the opening of containers.
- Delivery: Deliver materials to site in manufacturer's original, unopened containers and packaging, with labels clearly identifying product name and manufacturer.
- Proper application of Vexcon material is the responsibility of the installer or user. Telephone consultation and/or field visits by Vexcon personnel are for the sole purpose of making technical recommendations only, and not for providing quality control or supervision on location.

## **PACKAGING**

Certi-Vex SS Plus AIM is available in 55 gallon drums, 5 gallon pails and 1 gallon containers. Contact Vexcon directly to discuss your customized packaging requirements.

## **HEALTH AND SAFETY**

- Use only with adequate ventilation
- Use of gloves, goggles and other protective clothing is advised when using this product.
- If swallowed, do not induce vomiting.
- For use by experienced applicators only.

Vexcon SDS PS123-AIM is an integral part of the safety and application of our product. A short synopsis is provided in this product data sheet. Before using this Vexcon product it is advisable to obtain a copy of the SDS from your distributor or at [vexcon.com](http://vexcon.com).

## **CONTACT US@**

Additional product information, technical assistance and customer service is available by contacting Vexcon Chemicals directly or our distributors.

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