

4800 Industrial Floor Epoxy Installation Guide

PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

4800 Industrial Floor Epoxy is a 100% solids clear and pigmented buildcoat/topcoat epoxy that exhibits great chemical, and wear resistance. 4800 is primarily used as a concrete floor topcoat or a system topcoat in decorative, commercial, and industrial applications requiring low odor installation and specific chemical resistance. 4800 can also be used as a build coat in conjunction with a Chemical Resistant & UV Resistant Urethane or Polyaspartic Topcoat.

MIX RATIO

RECOMMENDED COVERAGE RATES

2A:1B
* Sold in 1.5-Gallon Kit or 15-Gallon Bulk Kit

Over Surfaces	First Coat	Second Coat
1/4" Flakes	200 SF/gal	250 SF/gal
1/8" Flakes	150 SF/gal	200 SF/gal
1/16" Flakes	125 SF/gal	175 SF/gal
Smooth	200 SF/gal	250 SF/gal

SUBSTRATE REQUIREMENTS

Flake Floors

All flaked floors shall be clean, dry, and the flake should be fully adhered to the primer coat. Flake shall be free of dust, dirt, grease, contamination, surface laitance, and other potential bond-breaking substances that could impair adhesion. Substrate and ambient temperatures must be above 35°F during installation of coating. Relative humidity should not exceed 65% during installation of the coating. Environmental conditions must not be near the dew point during installation of the coating. Moisture Vapor Transmission of the substrate must not exceed 3lbs per 1000 SF per 24 hours. For high MVT substrates, consult with a VBP representative for recommendations.

Other Substrates

Apply 4800 or 4800 Low Yellowing or 4800 HD to the surface using a 1/16" notched squeegee to spread the material evenly over the area. Do a single back roll over the surface and allow the material to level. 4800 has great leveling properties and as a result, cross rolling is not recommended because it can introduce bubbles into the material that may not have time to burst before the topcoat sets up.

ADVICE BEFORE INSTALLATION

Mixing

4800 is a 2-component product, <u>be sure to mix thoroughly before the application</u>. Cure times will be affected by environmental conditions. Do not force dry. High humidity and/or low temperatures can cause haziness and blushing in the coating. Large masses of mixed and/or heated material will have a shorter pot-life. <u>If you are not familiar with the product, Do Not Mix more than 1.5 gallon at a time. The more you mix, the shorter your pot life (working time) will be.</u>

Hot Weather Tips

4800s have a shorter pot life in very hot conditions. Keep the material core temperature around 50-75°F if possible. <u>Icing the buckets hours before doing job or placing in a cool environment the day before application can help lower the core temperature.</u> If instructions are not followed, excessive heat may cause outgassing, foaming, and hazing of 4800s where it has been applied too thick or where material settles into joints, etc. as well as a shorter pot life. <u>To reduce the effects of outgassing (vapor coming out of the substrate)</u>, install when the temperature is dropping from the highest temperature of the day.

Cold Weather Tips

4800s will have higher viscosity or may gel up in very cold conditions. Keep the material core temperature around 50-75°F if possible. <u>Using a pail warmer hours before doing the job or placing in a warm environment the day before application can help increase the core temperature which will make the material thinner and easier to work with.</u> If instructions are not followed, materials may get thicker during mixing, and may lead to foaming and hazing of 4800s where it has been applied too thick (avoid puddling in low spots) or where material settles into joints.

INSTALLATION STEPS



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1. Preparation

- Shut off all sources of ignition prior to work, and throughout the sealing process.
- Supply auxiliary ventilation as necessary to produce a safe working environment.
- Use a NIOSH approved respirator capable of filtering organic vapors.
- Because 4800s have such high gloss, be sure to remove dust from areas during application.
- Use a brush, Lint Free roller, or squeegee (preferable Magic Trowel or 1/16" squeegee for solid color topcoat) for application.

2. Mixing

- Material should be stored at room temperature (70-75°F) or below if in extreme hot conditions.
- Mix 4800 A-Component with 4800 B-Component at ratios listed on container for 2-3 minutes using a jiffy-type mixing blade at no less than 400rpm.
- Transfer mixed material to a second mixing vessel and mix an additional 30 seconds to ensure that material along the sides of the first mixing vessel have been properly incorporated into the mixture.
 - * Caution: If you are not familiar with the product, Do Not Mix more than 1.5 gallons at a time. The more you mix the shorter your pot life will be. This is a 2-componenst product, be sure to mix thoroughly.

3. Application

Over Flake -

- After mixing, pour a nice even consistent 4-5" wide ribbon across the floor surface.
- Use Magic Trowel squeegee to spread 4800 out evenly so the entire surface is coated evenly.
- Pour out additional ribbons on the surface as needed and make sure to keep a "Wet Edge" at all time.
- Walk back into the wet floor on spiked shoes to disperse any heave puddles of materials that are pooling.
- Keep a firm pressure on the trowel when spreading.
- Once 4800 is spread out evenly with the Magic Trowel squeegee, use an 18" Lint Free Roller to back roll the entire surface, keeping spread rate at 125-200 SF/gal. This will even out the gloss across the entire floor and should be done in the opposite direction you squeegee.

Over Solid-Color or Metallic Floor -

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- Use 1/16" squeegee to spread 4800 out evenly so the entire surface is coated evenly.
- Pour out additional ribbons on the surface as needed and make sure to keep a "Wet Edge" at all time.
- Walk back into the wet floor on spiked shoes to disperse any heave puddles of materials that are pooling.
- Keep a firm pressure on the trowel when spreading.
- Once 4800s is spread out evenly with the 1/16" squeegee, use an 18" Lint Free Roller (de-lint it before use for best results) to back roll the entire surface, keeping spread rate at 200-250 SF/gal. Do not over work the material and keep the back rolling to a minimum, the material has great leveling properties. Use the single back roll method to even out overlaps where there is too much material and the lines are visible.

* Caution: If applied too thick (less than 200 SF/gal), foaming or blushing on the surface may occur.

If back-rolled too late or over rolled as the product is setting or tacky, it may cause micro bubbles in the coating due to the coating setting up and becoming too thick to release bubbles caused by excessive rolling.

4. Clean-up

• Immediately cleanup splatter marks and tools with MEK or Acetone. Clean hands and exposed skin with mild soap and water, and/or citrus based hand-cleaner.

5. Cure Times

- 4800 can typically accept light foot traffic in 9-12 hours (standard) or 6-8 hours (accelerated HD), vehicular traffic with pneumatic tires in 72 hours.
- Full cure occurs in 7 days.
- Pilot lights and surrounding sources of ignition may be put back into service once solvent vapors have dissipated to a level below the lower explosion limit. Typically, this will take 6-10 hours after floor installation with adequate ventilation.



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ADDITIONAL CAUTIONS AND RECOMENDATIONS

- Keep mixed material in pail to achieve maximum working time instead of pouring bands on the floor.
- Do not apply at less than 150 SF per gal or excessive moisture entrapment may occur in wet film which may cause hazing.
- Do not force dry.
- Mask all areas that need protection.
- Always wear protective clothing and equipment as required by OSHA and as necessary.
- Have all personnel who come in contact with liquids read The Versatile EPOXY, URETHANE, AND POLYASPARTIC 2K SAFETY GUIDE and Material Safety Data Sheets before commencing work.
- Store material at 50-75°F
- 4800s are combustible, DO NOT USE torch or flame after applying these products.

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