

# H&C® CLARISHIELD® WATER-BASED NATURAL LOOK CLEAR CONCRETE SEALER



#### **PRODUCT DESCRIPTION**

H&C® ClariShield® Water-Based Natural Look Clear Concrete Sealer provides a low-sheen finish that maintains original beauty. This low odor, water-based formula is great for interior & exterior applications and offers easy cleanup with soap and water.

## **FEATURES & BENEFITS**

- Crystal clear, non-yellowing formula
- Durable finish protects and extends life of concrete
- Resists damage from water, salt, UV rays, oil and chemical stains
- Withstands vehicular traffic Not recommended for garage floors

#### **RECOMMENDED USES**

For use over bare concrete and masonry surfaces or existing water-based coatings.

Commonly used on:

- Pavers
- Driveways
- Patios & walkways
- Decorative stains
- Pool decks
- Brick, block & stucco
- Commercial floors
- Basement floors

## **COVERAGE RATES**

Substrate	sq ft/gal
Concrete Floors	100-200
Concrete block	100-150
Previously coated concrete	200-300
Porous concrete	100-200
Porous decorative block	75-100

#### **JOBSITE TEST SECTION**

Due to the wide variety of substrates, preparation methods, application methods and environments, it is important to create a test sample.

#### **LIMITATIONS**

Do not over apply as "blushing" may occur. Over application may cause the coating to not dry clear.

#### **SURFACE PREPARATION**

Newly poured concrete must be at least 28 days old. Newly installed pavers should weather a minimum of 60 days; excess joint sand should be swept off the surface prior to sealer application. All concrete must be clean, dry and free of grease, oil, paint, sealers, etc. A high-pressure water wash is recommended. To spot clean, use H&C® ConcreteReady® Cleaner Degreaser, following label instructions. If mold, mildew or fungus are present, kill and remove with a solution of one cup household bleach to one gallon of water. Wear protective eyewear, waterproof gloves and protective clothing. Quickly wash off any of the mixture that comes in contact with your skin. Do not add detergents or ammonia to the bleach/ water solution. Surface should have the feel of 120-grit sandpaper at minimum, and readily absorb water. To test absorption, spray various sections of the surface to be sealed with water. If the water does not absorb rapidly, concrete must be etched with H&C® ConcreteReady® Etching Solution, following label directions. If the surface does not feel like 120-grit sandpaper following the first application, a second etching is required. (NOTE: Porous vertical surfaces, such as standard CMU, splitfaced block, and exposed aggregate, generally do not require etching.) Prepared concrete must have a pH level between 6 and 10. Allow 24 hours to dry before sealing.

**Stained Concrete:** Make sure all previously painted or stained surfaces are in sound condition. Scrape and sand all loose material prior to the application. To ensure adequate adhesion of the sealer, scuff sand all remaining stain or paint.\* Reapplication of the stain or coating may be necessary to create an even, uniform appearance. To remove light soil from the surface, use *H&C® ConcreteReady® Cleaner Degreaser* mixed to a 50/50 ratio with water. To remove heavy oil and grease stains, use the cleaner full strength.

**Repair:** Use  $H\&C^{\circ}$  ConcreteReady  $^{\circ}$  Quick Patch and Repair, following label directions, to fill low spots and spalled concrete. Note: Patching compounds will generally be visible through clear coatings.

\*WARNING: Removal of old paint by sanding, scraping or other means may generate dust or fumes that contain lead. To avoid exposure to lead dust, wear proper protective equipment, such as a properly fitted respirator (NIOSH approved) and follow proper containment and cleanup procedures. For more information, call the National Lead Information Center at 1-800-424-LEAD (in U.S.) or contact your local health authority.

## **TOOLS REQUIRED**

- Nylon / polyester brush to cut in corners and edges
- High-density, woven roller cover (1/4- to 3/8-inch nap)
- Airless sprayer, with .013- to .017- inch tip (optional)
- Eye Protection
- Respiratory Protection
- Gloves

#### **APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS**

For best results, surface and air temperature should be above 50°F and below 90°F. Temperature should not fall below 40°F for 24 hours following application. Do not apply if rain is expected within 12 hours of application. Stir thoroughly before and during application. Applies milky white and dries clear in approximately 1 hour. DO NOT THIN.

**First Coat:** Apply first coat liberally and evenly, working in one direction. DO NOT OVERAPPLY. Remove excess material by back-rolling. Allow to dry at least 2 hours before applying additional coats.

**Additional Coats:** 2-3 coats may be necessary to ensure uniformity, depending on the porosity of the surface. For best coverage, apply second coat perpendicular to the first coat.

**IMPORTANT:** Each additional coat will increase the level of gloss/shine of the surface. To maintain a Natural Look, a maximum of two coats is recommended.

## **SLIP RESISTANCE**

Some surfaces may require a slip/skid-resistant additive for safety. Surfaces may be slippery when wet and proper preventative precautions are recommended. To increase slip/skid resistance, add *H&C® SharkGrip® Slip Resistant Additive* to the coating when applying. See product data page for detailed instructions. The addition of anti-slip/skid additives will not eliminate the possibility or risk of slipping/skidding or falling.

#### **CLEANUP**

Clean tools and any spills or spatters immediately using soap and water.

## **MAINTENANCE**

Clean light to moderately soiled surfaces with a 50/50 solution of *H&C® ConcreteReady® Cleaner Degreaser* and water. Use the cleaner full strength for heavy soiling, such as oil and grease stains.

# ORDERING INFORMATION

Clear	Part Number/SMIS	
1 gallon	50.100214-16 / 6512-01295	
5 gallons	50.100215-20 / 6512-01311	

## **PHYSICAL PROPERTIES**

Physical Properties and Characteristics		
Property	Test Method	Value
Dry Time (@ 77°F, 50% RH)	Dry-to-touch	1 hour
	Recoat	2 hours
	Foot traffic	24 hours
	Heavy traffic	72-96 hours
VOC	EPA Method 24	<100 g/L
Finish	ASTM D523	Low Sheen
Taber Abrasion		Good after 1 week
		cure time
Chemical Resistance	ASTM D1308	Good
Volume Solids	ASTM D2832	26.7% +/- 1%
Weight Solids	ASTM D2832	29.3% +/- 1%

#### CAUTION

**CAUTIONS:** Use only with adequate ventilation. To avoid overexposure, open windows and doors or use other means to ensure fresh air entry during application and drying. If you experience eye watering, headaches, or dizziness, increase fresh air, or wear respiratory protection (**NIOSH** approved) or leave the area. Avoid contact with eyes and skin. Wash hands after using. Keep container closed when not in use. Do not transfer contents to other containers for storage.

**FIRST AID:** In case of eye contact, flush thoroughly with large amounts of water. Get medical attention if irritation persists. If swallowed, call Poison Control Center, hospital emergency room, or physician immediately. **DO NOT TAKE INTERNALLY. KEEP OUT OF THE REACH OF CHILDREN.** 

#### **TECHNICAL SERVICES**

The information and recommendations set forth in this product data sheet are based on tests conducted by or on behalf of H&C Products Group and The Sherwin-Williams® Company. Such information and recommendations set forth herein are subject to change and pertain to the product offered at the time of publication.

For technical assistance, call 1-800-867-8246 or visit www.hcconcrete.com.

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