

# **CAPHARD TOP-LS**

# HARDENING, SEALING AND DUST PROOFING COMPOUND

## **DESCRIPTION**

CAPHARD TOP-LS is clear water soluble, inorganic silicate base compound that chemically hardens concrete floors, decks, docks, ramps and pavement. CAPHARD TOP-LS penetrates deep into concrete creating hard, abrasion resistant floor surfaces. It can be used on all new concrete surfaces whether fresh or cured. It is also suitable for old dusting concrete surfaces.

## **FEATURES**

Chemicals present in **CAPHARD TOP-LS** react with the free lime and calcium carbonate in concrete and assist in filling and sealing surface pores and capillaries, to form hard non-dusting concrete.

## **USES**

**CAPHARD TOP-LS** is recommended for use on concrete structure, interior or exterior where a hard abrasion resistant, light to moderate duty surface is required. It is water based and can be used in areas where solvent base sealer is hazardous. It is most suitable on concrete surfaces where wear and dusting could be a problem.

#### **ADVANTAGES**

- Sealing hardening and dust proofing in one operation.
- New or old concrete can be treated.
- Compatible with most resilient floor covering adhesive.
- Broadest application range; interior, exterior, horizontal, vertical, fresh, new or aged surfaces.
- Easy application and quick drying.
- Resist penetration of oils and chemicals.
- Resists deteriorating action of salts.

# TYPICAL PROPERTIES

#### Appearance:

Colourless to pale yellow

### **Specific gravity:**

1.10 at 25°C.

#### **Toxicity:**

Non-toxic.

#### **Shelf Life:**

Minimum one year in sealed original containers under recommended storage conditions.

#### **DIRECTIONS FOR USE**

### **Surface Preparation:**

Remove all oil, grease, dust and loose matter by brush or vacuum.

## **Method of Application:**

- CAPHARD TOP-LS can be applied to cast concrete any time from 24 hours after placing.
- Stir well before use. Pour it by sprinkling evenly on the floor. Use a watering can to sprinkle CAPHARD TOP-LS over the surface of concrete (spray unit or brush can also be used) until saturation point is reached.
- Remove excess unabsorbed solution before drying to prevent the formation of a glossy layer.
- 24 hours after first treatment, apply a second coat in similar manner (some floors may required three coats). Concrete abrasion resistance increases with each additional coat of CAPHARD TOP-LS. Subsequent coat should be applied only after thorough drying of previous coat.

## WATCH POINT

Power floated or vacuum de-watered concrete surfaces are very dense and may not have sufficient porosity to absorb Caphard Top-LS. For such surfaces it is advisable to test a small area of concrete with Caphard Top-LS to check the maximum penetration, and ensure that the surface is not made glossy or stained white by the product. Concrete varies greatly in porosity, hence amount of Caphard Top-LS will vary from surface to surface to achieve the desired results.

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#### **COVERAGE**

Coverage is effected by surface conditions, porosity, texture of concrete, and performance requirement.

The following coverage rates are as a guide.

Vibrated/tamped concrete	Approx. 5 to 7 m <sup>2</sup> /ltr.
Smooth concrete	Approx.8 to 10 m <sup>2</sup> /ltr.

The above coverage rate is based on the total amount of **CAPHARD TOP-LS** required for a three coat treatment application.

Take care to protects glass, paintwork, brickwork furnishing etc. from splashes. Do not use on colored concrete, brick work or masonry.

#### **CLEANING OF TOOLS**

Clean brushes, tools, sprayers and other equipment with clean water, immediately after use.

#### **PACKAGING**

**CAPHARD TOP-LS** is supplied in 5 liter cans and 20 liter pails.

#### **STORAGE**

Store in sealed conventional containers, protected from extreme weather conditions. Stir well before use, if stored for a long time.

#### **HEALTH AND SAFETY**

Skin and eye irritant. Contact with skin or eyes may cause burns. Ingestion may cause burns or other harm. It is advisable to use goggles and gloves while handling CAPHARD TOP-LS.

#### TECHNICAL SERVICE:

Our Technical Service Department is available at any time to advise you in the correct use of this product or any other Ahlia products.

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