

STIFEL GC

Single component, water based, silane sealer for horizontal and vertical concrete, brick masonry and concrete masonry surfaces.



VOLATILE ORGANIC COMPOUND (VOC) REGULATORY COMPLIANCE

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HOW IT WORKS

STIFEL GC chemically reacts with siliceous materials found in concrete and masonry to form a hydrophobic barrier, preventing the absorption of water and waterborne chloride ions. The small molecular structure of a silane molecule allows it to move through concrete pores and penetrate deeply, up to 1/2" inch or more. Protection is provided long after surface coatings and other "penetrating type" sealers have succumbed to abrasion or oxidation.

APPLICATIONS

- ◆ Use on all exterior, vertical or horizontal cast-in-place or precast concrete.
- ◆ Use to protect structural concrete bridge decks and parking garage driving surfaces.
- ◆ Use on exterior, vertical concrete, brick masonry and concrete masonry surfaces.
- ◆ Use on new or existing substrates.
- ◆ Use in applications where conventional silanes containing hydrocarbon solvent carriers cannot safely be used.

ADVANTAGES

- ◆ Unique silane chemistry does not evaporate under site application conditions, allowing for deep penetration (up to 1/2 inch) with consistent protection regardless of substrate or application conditions, such as warm or windy weather. Conventional silane sealers contain highly volatile silanes that evaporate during application, requiring a higher solids content to compensate for product lost through evaporation.
- ◆ **The unique silane in STIFEL GC goes into the concrete, not into the atmosphere.**
- ◆ Protects treated surfaces from damage resulting from the absorption of water and chloride ion-containing deicing salts.
- ◆ Minimizes concrete freeze/thaw related surface scaling and the corrosion of imbedded reinforcing steel and precast anchors.
- ◆ Protects treated concrete from delamination and spalling resulting from corrosion of imbedded reinforcing steel.
- ◆ Allows treated surfaces to breathe naturally. Water entering from the unprotected side or via cracks does not become trapped, minimizing surface sweating.
- ◆ Concrete skid resistance and texture are not altered.
- ◆ The adhesion bond strength of most sealants and top coats is actually improved with proper application of STIFEL GC.
- ◆ Substantially extends the serviceable life of concrete structures and significantly reduces maintenance costs.
- ◆ Safe and easy to use - single component, water based formulation is very low odor and has a high flash point (>200°F/100°C).

- ◆ Can be safely applied to concrete surfaces containing cured polyurethane, polysulfide or silicone traffic joint sealants without affecting joint sealant performance.
- ◆ Green Engineered™ – better for health and the environment.
- ◆ Meets all federal and state VOC requirements.

▲ PRECAUTIONS ▲

- ◆ Certain extremely porous substrates may require an alternative STIFEL sealer to provide maximum performance. Contact Nox-Crete for more information.
- ◆ Do not apply to concrete less than 28 days old.
- ◆ Do not apply to frost covered or permeated surfaces.
- ◆ To ensure proper performance, substrate temperatures must be above freezing, 32° F (0° C), at the time of STIFEL GC application, and remain above freezing for at least 8 hours following product application.
- ◆ Application to inadequately cleaned or wet substrates could result in less than optimum performance and blotchy or discolored appearance.
- ◆ Substrates with highly variable porosities may have color variations after treatment due to the varying and irregular absorption of STIFEL GC.
- ◆ Do not apply to glass or glazed tile. In case of accidental contact, remove immediately with soap and water.
- ◆ Do not apply to decorative surfaces without a test application to determine treated surface appearance acceptability.
- ◆ Product may damage vegetation or painted surfaces with contact.
- ◆ May not be compatible with certain paints, caulks, sealants or coatings.
- ◆ Protect from freezing. If allowed to freeze, product packaging may rupture and the emulsion stability of this product may be affected, making it difficult to keep product mixed during application. 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 or failure.

USE INSTRUCTIONS

- ◆ Request current (verify) product literature, labels and safety data sheets from manufacturer in writing and read thoroughly before product use.
- ◆ Environmental and substrate conditions and construction type have a major impact on product selection, application methods, appearance and performance. Product literature provides general information applicable to some conditions. However, an adequate site test application by the purchaser or installer in

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advance of field scale use is mandatory (irrespective of any other verbal or written representations) to verify product and quantities purchased can be satisfactorily applied and will achieve desired appearance and performance under intended use conditions.

- ◆ Substrate should be a minimum of 28 days old and free from accumulations of dust, oil, grease, rubber tire residue, concrete curing or bondbreaker membrane or residue, paint, protective sealers or other foreign materials.
- ◆ For existing concrete surfaces previously exposed to vehicular traffic, dustless abrasive shotblasting, sandblasting or high pressure, 3,000 psi (21 MPa min.), water blasting is recommended to remove surface contaminants and open substrate for maximum sealer penetration.
- ◆ For existing brick and masonry unit construction, rout and tuck-point all unsound or cracked mortar joints. Seal all sources of moisture entry at eve, parapet or flashing points. Once repairs are completed, clean walls with a suitable masonry cleaner to remove any efflorescence, mortar residue or laitance.
- ◆ Allow cleaned surfaces to dry for 48 hours or more.
- ◆ Mix container contents thoroughly immediately prior to use.
- ◆ Horizontal application rates on most concrete substrates is saturation to surface rejection or approximately 125 sf / gal (3.1 sm / L), whichever occurs first. The typical application rate for porous concrete is 100 sf / gal (2.5 sm / L) and 175 sf / gal (4.3 sm / L) for dense, non-absorbent substrates.
- ◆ Vertical application rates range from approximately 100 sf / gal (2.5 sm / L) on porous substrates, such as fractured face or fluted masonry blocks and soft bricks, to 175 sf / gal (4.3 sm / L) on dense, non-absorbent substrates such as precast concrete and hard brick. Proper application rate is achieved at saturation to surface rejection and approximately 8-12 inches (20-30 cm) of run down.
- ◆ Apply using a low pressure, high volume sprayer or hand pump, air pressure-type construction sprayer. Large horizontal areas may also be applied with push brooms.
- ◆ Applied product will flow to low areas or openings. Openings in the substrate, such as sewer or storm drain inlets, should be plugged to prevent accidental entry or escape of material.
- ◆ Using a broom, redistribute accumulated material from depressions or puddles to insure maximum penetration.
- ◆ For vertical applications, apply to a wet edge and avoid overlaps or recoating of previously treated areas.
- ◆ Clean application equipment promptly with soap and water.
- ◆ Treated surfaces should be swept clean and washed down at least quarterly. Areas subject to wheel traffic or other wear should be retreated when wear approaches product penetration depth.

TECHNICAL DATA

Color	Milky White
Odor	Mild
Bulk Density	8.3 lbs./t (992 g/L)
Freeze Point	32° F (0° C)
Flash Point	> 212° F (100° C) PMCC
Active Solids	10%
VP	<17.5 mmHg @ 20° C
VOC	<25 g/L

TEST DATA

NCHRP 244	
Series II	
Reduction in Water Absorption	79%
Reduction in Chloride Ion Absorption	90%
Series IV Accelerated Weathering, Southern Exposure	
Reduction in Chloride Ion Absorption	88%
ASTM C 672 Scaling resistance, exposure to deicing chemicals and 50 freeze/thaw cycles	
Scaling	0
Mass Loss	0
ASTM E 514 Standard test method for water penetration & leakage through masonry	
Average reduction from the upper water trough	91%
Average reduction from the lower flashing	100%

PACKAGING

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

SHELF LIFE

Shelf life is one year. 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 INC. 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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