

PRODUCT DATA SHEET

Sikagard[®]-706 Thixo

SILANE BASED WATER REPELLENT IMPREGNATION CREAM

DESCRIPTION

Sikagard[®]-706 Thixo is a one-component reactive silane based impregnation cream. It is a solvent free product with ~ 80% content of active substance. Sikagard[®]-706 Thixo complies with the highest requirements of EN 1504-2 for hydrophobic Impregnation (penetration depth class II & resistance to freeze and thaw salt stresses).

USES

Sikagard[®]-706 Thixo is used as water-repellent impregnation (hydrophobic treatment) for absorbent substrates such as concrete in civil engineering or building concrete structures subjected to heavy stress due to freeze and thaw cycles and de-icing salts or chloride attack in marine environment

- Suitable for protection against ingress (Principle 1, method 1.1 of EN 1504-9)
- Suitable for moisture control (Principle 2, method 2.1 of EN 1504-9)
- Suitable for increasing the resistivity (Principle 8, method 8.1 of EN 1504-9)

CHARACTERISTICS / ADVANTAGES

- Non-sag (thixotropic) consistency, allowing wastage-free application of sufficient quantities and assuring deep penetration
- Reduction of water absorption

- Reduction of absorption of aggressive or deleterious agents dissolved in water (i.e. de-icing salts or chloride from marine environment)
- No noticeable change of water vapour permeability
- Not film forming
- Ready for use
- Long term efficiency, deep penetration
- Increases the resistance of concrete to freeze and thaw cycles and de-icing salts
- Resistant to sea water
- Low VOC content

APPROVALS / STANDARDS

- Conforms to the requirements of LPM-qualification test to SIA 162/5, Report A-20 450-1 of 19.04.1999. (Water absorption, penetration depth, alkali resistance, water vapour diffusion, resistance to freeze thaw cycles and de-icing salts).
- Conforms to the requirement of the "Bro 2002" Swedish National Road Administration (SNRA) publication No. VV2002:47 –report reference F507580 Arev
- Conforms to the requirements of the EN 1504-2 class II – Polymer Institute report P 5672-E dated 9th August 2007.
- Hydrophobic impregnation according to EN 1504-2, DoP 02 03 03 01 002 0 000003 1105; certified by Factory Production Control Body: 0921; certificate 0921-BPR-2050 and provided with the CE-mark

PRODUCT INFORMATION

Chemical Base	Silane
Packaging	18 kg and 180 kg containers
Appearance / Colour	White paste / cream (transparent after application and drying)
Shelf Life	12 months from date of production if stored in unopened, undamaged and original sealed packaging.

Storage Conditions	Store in dry and cool conditions. Protect from moisture.	
Density	~ 0.900 kg/l (at +20 °C)	
Active Content	~ 80%	
Volatile organic compound (VOC) content	~319 g/l	(ASTM D 3960)
Water Absorption	< 7.5%	(EN 13580)

TECHNICAL INFORMATION

Resistance to Alkalinity	< 10%	(EN 13580)
Freeze Thaw De-Icing Salt Resistance	Comply	(EN 13581)
Penetration Depth	≥ 10 mm	Class II (EN 1504-2)
	Note: Test performed on concrete with W/C 0.70	
Drying Rate Coefficient	Class I: >30%	(EN 13579)

SYSTEM INFORMATION

System Structure	1–2 coats of Sikagard®-706 Thixo
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APPLICATION INFORMATION

Consumption	Dependent on substrate profile and porosity as well as the required penetration depth: ~ 200–300 g/m ² per coat. Normally, 1 coat is enough – preliminary trial shall be carried out to assess the penetration depth in the substrate.
Ambient Air Temperature	+5 °C min. / +40 °C max.
Substrate Temperature	+5 °C min. / +35 °C max.
Substrate Moisture Content	<5-6% when measured with Tramex method
Waiting Time / Overcoating	Can be overcoated with water and solvent based polymer paint - contact the proposed paint manufacturer for recommendations. Sikagard®-706 Thixo can be used as water repellent primer under many Sikagard® protective coatings. Penetration of water is thus prevented at possible weak spots or in the event of damage to the top coat and the risk of consequential damages such as paint flaking can be reduced. Waiting time: minimum 5 hours, maximum 1 week.
Curing Treatment	Sikagard®-706 Thixo does not require any special curing but must be protected from rain for at least 3 hours at +20 °C.

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

SUBSTRATE QUALITY / PRE-TREATMENT

Free of dust, dirt, oil, efflorescence and existing paint coats.

Cracks in concrete more than 300 µm must be repaired prior to application of the hydrophobic treatment.

Cleaning is best done with suitable detergents or by light blastcleaning, steam cleaning etc.

Best results are obtained on dry, very absorbent substrates. The substrate must look dry with no damp patches.

MIXING

Sikagard®-706 Thixo is supplied ready for use and should not be thinned or diluted.

APPLICATION

Sikagard®-706 Thixo is applied using airless spray, brush or long-hair roller (including automatically feed roller).

CLEANING OF TOOLS

Clean all tools and application equipment with Colma Cleaner immediately after use. Hardened / cured material can only be mechanically removed.

LIMITATIONS

- Best results are achieved when Sikagard®-706 Thixo is applied on 28 days old concrete – however, due to its high alkali resistance, it is still possible to apply it at a very early age.
- Areas such as window frames which still need to be painted must be securely covered to avoid contact with Sikagard®-706 Thixo.
- Areas not to be impregnated such as window panes need to be protected from being accidentally contaminated with Sikagard®-706 Thixo.
- Sikagard®-706 Thixo can damage some coatings and bituminous products.
- Sikagard®-706 Thixo can lead to darkening of concrete, apply sample areas first.
- Cannot be overcoated with limewash or cement paint.
- Apply Sikagard®-706 Thixo onto a sample area to confirm consumption rates versus required penetration depth.
- Refer to the latest Method Statement for detailed information regarding surface preparation, application method, etc.

BASIS OF PRODUCT DATA

All technical data stated in this Product Data Sheet are based on laboratory tests. Actual measured data may vary due to circumstances beyond our control.

LOCAL RESTRICTIONS

Please note that as a result of specific local regulations the performance of this product may vary from country to country. Please consult the local Product Data Sheet for the exact description of the application fields.

ECOLOGY HEALTH AND SAFETY

For information and advice on the safe handling, storage and disposal of chemical products, users shall refer to the most recent Safety Data Sheet (SDS) containing physical, ecological, toxicological and other safety-related data.

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