

# SF SOLID COLOR FLOORS

## APPLICATION GUIDE

This document describes the application instructions for applying the SF Solid Color Floor system using the following products from South Fork Concrete Coatings.

## REQUIRED PRODUCTS

- SF 100% Solids Epoxy Fast or Slow
- SF Urethane
- SF Epoxy Crack Repair

| Coat       | Product       | ft²/gal.                  | WFT      |
|------------|---------------|---------------------------|----------|
|            | SF Water Chip |                           |          |
| Prime Coat | Ероху         | 150 ft²/gal.              | 11 mils  |
| Top Coat   | SF Urethane   | 500 ft <sup>2</sup> /gal. | 3.2 mils |



## CONCRETE ASSESMENT

**Moisture Content:** A dry concrete slab is required for this system. Testing for moisture should be done with either a Calcium Chloride or a Relative Humidity test. A Calcium Chloride test should have a moisture vapor transmission lower than 3 lbs/1000 ft²/24 hours. A Relative Humidity Test should be higher than 75% RH. If the moisture content is lower than either of these two readings use SF Epoxy Primer Water Slow to mitigate the effects of moisture.

**Hardness:** A concrete slab of at least a minor hardness is required for this system. Test the concrete hardness with a Mohs Hardness Kit. The concrete should show a hardness of a 3 or higher to properly accept this system.

**Other Conditions:** Concrete must be structurally sound, free from oil, grease, silicones and other contaminants. Green slabs must have cured for at least 28 days prior to coating.

#### PREPARATION

**Grinding/Shot Blasting:** Concrete must be ground with a concrete grinder prior to the application of this system. Use 15-40 grit diamonds and achieve a profile of a CSP 2 to a CSP 3. Smooth out any grinder marks prior to system application. Shot Blasting may be used to achieve a profile of a CSP 3.

**Vacuum:** Once the grinding is finished vacuum the entire floor to make sure all dust has been removed.

**Crack Repair:** Repair all cracks using SF Epoxy Crack Repair. Do not cover saw cuts and expansion joints with either this system or the crack repair.

#### MIXING

Mix the following:

- 2 Parts SF Water Chip Epoxy A side Fast or Slow
- 1 Part SF Epoxy Primer B Side

Mix as many gallons as you will need for the area you are coating at a rate of 200 ft<sup>2</sup>/gal. or a Wet Film Thickness (WFT) of 9 mils.

Mix the SF Epoxy Primer A side with the B side. Mix thoroughly for 2 minutes scraping both the bottoms and sides of the container. You may use a stir stick or a slow moving drill powered paddle mixer being careful not to whip air into the products.

- SF Urethane A side
- SF Urethane B Side
- SF Urethane C Side

The SF Urethane comes in 1-gallon kits with 3 components, an A side and a B side that are liquid and a C side that is powder. The kit comes prepackaged and all three components should be mixed together in their entirety and not broken down. Thoroughly mix the A side with the C side and let it stand for 30 minutes, then mix again. Now mix the B side into the mixed A and C sides using a stir stick or slow-moving paddle on a drill for two minutes scraping all sides and bottom of the container. The kit is designed to be mixed in the containers that it came in.

## PRIME COAT

**Ribbon & Squeegee:** Use the "Ribbon & Squeegee" method for the SF Water Chip Epoxy. Mix enough SF Water Chip Epoxy so that the entire floor will be covered at 200 ft<sup>2</sup>/gal. or 9 mils. Immediately pour the mixed Epoxy out on the floor in long ribbons. If the Epoxy stays in the bucket for longer than 5 minutes it will start to get hot and set up. It is very important to get the Epoxy out of the bucket very quickly. Spread the ribbons using an SF Squeegee so that the floor is entirely and evenly covered.

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#### Back Roll:

Evenly and carefully back roll the Epoxy that has been squeegeed out. Overlap each back roll being careful not to leave roller marks in the finish.

Use an 18", 3/8" nap, non-shedding roller skin.

#### In the case of White and Safety Yellow it will take two prime coats.

## SAND AND WIPE

**Sand:** Using 100 grit sand paper sand the entire Prime Coat. You may use either a mechanical sander being careful not to sand thru the prime coat or a hand sander be careful to thoroughly sand the entire floor.

Wipe with Acetone: Once the entire floor is sanded, wipe the entire floor down with Acetone and a micro-fiber mop.

#### TOPCOAT

**Pour and Roll:** Using the same color as the prime coat pour about a cup of SF Urethane out on the floor. Use an 18'', 3/8'' nap, non-shedding roller skin. Stretch the cup of urethane out so that it covers an area about 4'x8' or 32 ft<sup>2</sup>. Repeat this process until the entire floor is covered. The floor should be covered at 500 ft<sup>2</sup>/gal. or 3.2 mils.

#### Back Roll:

Evenly and carefully back roll the product that has been Rolled out. Overlap each back roll being careful not to leave roller marks in the finish.

Use an 18", 3/8" nap, non-shedding roller skin

## CLEANUP AND DILUTION

Use Xylene for cleanup. You my cut any of the wet products with up to 5% Xylene.