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BOMANITE CON-COLOR Permanent Staining Compound for Concrete

PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

A) Composition and Typical Uses

Bomanite Con-Color is a tinted, non-toxic, odorless, hydrolyzed lithium quartz compound that penetrates into concrete and cementitious toppings, reacting to form a hard, abrasion resistant permanent crystalline structure. Bomanite Con-Color will allow the concrete or topping to breathe, permitting moisture vapor transmission, but retards the transfer of damaging and discoloring alkali materials. When applied to concrete, Bomanite Con-Color will provide variegated and translucent coloring effects without creating a film or coating that can be worn away. Bomanite Con-Color is a viable alternative to traditional acid-based stains when a larger color palette or ease of installation is required. Patène Teres and Modena by Bomanite both utilize Bomanite Con-Color as a coloration technique. Consult the Bomanite Custom Polishing Binder for more details.

Bomanite Con-Color is spray applied using a medium airless sprayer or backpack pump-style sprayer over the concrete surface at a rate of 500-800 feet per gallon per application. Multiple applications are required to build the desired appearance and to allow reaction time between applications to lock down each lift of product. Concrete to be treated with Bomanite Con-Color must be a minimum of 14 days old, with optimum results occurring after a 28-day cure. Toppings can typically be treated within 12- 24 hours of installation. Once any residual material has been removed from the treated concrete or topping after the Bomanite Con-Color application, then a topical product such as Bomaseal C-18, Bomanite HydroLock, Bomanite Florthane WB Matte Finish, Bomanite Florthane SB, or Bomanite Epo-Clear II must be used to protect the stained surface. Consult the appropriate Bomanite Technical Bulletins and Application Guidelines for information on these products.

B) Advantages and Limitations

Advantages

- Wide range of colors
- Compatible with all cementitious Bomanite systems
- Allows necessary vapor transmission
- Eliminates dusting of concrete
- Increases concrete's density at the surface
- Increases surface abrasion resistance
- Internal humidity stabilization
- No VOC/VOS content
- Permanent application
- Prevents free-moisture migration

Limitations

- Surfaces must be properly prepared to provide an open profile that allows color penetration
- Requires a topical sealer or treatment to protect the surface and enhance color
- Existing sealers, coatings and contaminants must be removed prior to application
- Will not seal cracks and voids
- Excess material left on the surface can create a white, dusty residual that is difficult to remove

