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Epoxy  
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**PRODUCT  
DATA SHEET**

**ICO-HI GUARD COATING™**

**Product Description**

**ICO-Hi Guard Coating™** is a two part, 100% solids novolac epoxy coating providing excellent chemical resistance to most concentrated acids and caustics and some solvents. Its unusually high resilience and toughness enables **Hi Guard Coating™** to better withstand thermal shock and mechanical impact compared to more brittle conventional epoxy coatings. Applied by brush, roller or spray. **ICO-Hi Guard™ Coating** is normally applied at about 160 SF/gallon per coat to achieve a minimum 20 mils thickness in two coats. For moderate traffic a 60 mil coat/seed system is the choice.

**ICO-Hi Guard Coating™** finishes to an easy-to-clean glossy surface. Anti-slip characteristics are enhanced by the addition of quartz or aluminum oxide. It has excellent adhesion to damp, as well as dry concrete, metal, wood, brick, and tile without need of a primer coat. To enhance its crack bridging characteristics, **ICO-Hi Guard Coating™** can be reinforced with polyester cloth or fiberglass sheeting.

**Typical Application**

**ICO-Hi Guard Coating™** is recommended for areas both inside and outside, requiring excellent protection from strong acids and caustics. Typical end use applications include chemical plants, plating operations, secondary containment, and paper and pulp mills, where light traffic and impact is present. For heavy wear areas, our **ICO-Hi Guard SL™** or **Hi-Guard™** trowelled system is recommended. For vertical containment in industrial or municipal waste treatment plants our **ICO Hi Guard Coating GF** is the choice.

**Chemical Resistance**

**ICO-Hi Guard Coating™** is recommended for such acids as 98% sulfuric, 85% phosphoric, 88% lactic and 20% acetic, as well as concentrated alkalis and many solvents. A more complete list of chemical resistances is available in the **International Coatings Chemical Resistance Chart**. As the coatings formula differs slightly from the **Hi Guard** "resin" listed in the chemical chart, we recommend contacting **ICO Technical Service Department** for specific application recommendations.

**Physical Properties**

Tensile Strength (ASTM D-638) :	5160 psi	Bond Strength to Quarry Tile :	> 1000 psi
Tensile Elongation (D-638) :	6%	Vapor Transmission Rate (E-96) :	.07 perms
Flexural Strength (D-790) :	3670 psi	Water Absorption (D-570) :	0.2% in 24 hours
Hardness, Shore D (D-2240) :	80	Taber Abrasion (D-1044)	
Gardner Impact Strength (D-2794) :	80 in. - lbs	CS17, 1000 g, 1000 cycles :	110 mg
		60° Gloss :	104

**Physical Characteristics**

**Density, lbs/gal.**

Pt. A	11.2
Pt. B	8.8
A&B Mixed	10.5

**Mixing Ratios**

Pt. A : Pt. B

**By Volume**

2.2:1

**By Weight**

2.8:1

**Viscosity@77°F, cps**

Pt. A	1,200
Pt. B	1,600
A&B Mixed	1,500

**Curing Times @**

Pot Life	35 min.
Work Time	20 min.
Hard, Foot Traffic	24 hrs.

**50°F**

35 min.
20 min.
24 hrs.

**77°F**

25 min.
40 min.
16 hrs.

**90°F**

12 min.
35 min.
5 hrs.

**Shelf Life**

1 year at 77°F in unopened containers. Maximum Hardness achieved after 7 days @77°F.

**Color Availability**

Standard colors: gray, dark gray, beige, red, green, black, blue.

**Packaging and Coverage Rates**

1 gallon kit	160 SF	(for 10 mil coverage)
4 gallon kit	640 SF	
100 gallon drum kit	16,000 SF	

## **Installation**

**Please refer to our Application Specs for detailed instructions. Particular care must be taken to follow those instructions precisely to assure proper installation.**

1. New concrete should be allowed to cure a minimum of 28 days and be checked with a rubber mat or plastic sheet to insure adequate curing time.
2. All surfaces to be covered should be power washed, shot blasted, acid etched, scarified or sanded to present a clean, sound substrate to which to bond to. The prepared surface should have a ph of 7.
3. The ingredients should be mixed in the prescribed ratios, using a low speed jiffy-style mixer, (maximum 750 rpm). Mix Part A for 30-60 seconds then add Part B and mix until uniform in color and consistency.
4. Do not mix less than the prescribed amount of any ingredient or add any solvent to the mix.
5. No priming is necessary on concrete of average porosity. On new concrete or old concrete with an open porosity and on wood surfaces apply **ICO-Primer LV or LV FC™** to help prevent outgassing, bubbling and pinholing from escaping entrapped air.
6. Allow primer to dry tack free.
7. Apply the mixed material with a fine nap roller, a squeegee or a brush. Apply approximately 160 SF per gallon per coat to achieve 10 mils of coating.
8. Apply a second coat while the first coat is still tacky if using spike shoes or dry enough to walk on, but before 24 hours at 75°F. If more time has elapsed the first coat should be sanded before recoating.
9. A suitable aggregate may be broadcast onto the surface and backrolled to provide more anti-slip profile to the finished surface. It is advisable to test various types and sizes of aggregate to achieve the desired finish profile.

**NOTE: Failure to follow the above instructions, unless expressly authorized by an ICO Technical Service Representative, will void our material warranty**

## **Precautions**

1. **Recoat window without sanding at 70°F: 24 hours**
2. **Do not apply below 50°F**

## **Product Specification**

The specified area shall receive an application of **ICO-Hi Guard Coating™** as manufactured by **International Coatings, Franklin Park Illinois**. The system shall be installed by precisely following the manufacturer's published recommendations pertaining to surface preparation, mixing, and application. The material shall be a low odor, 100% solids, high gloss flexibilized epoxy novolac system with good resilience to resist thermal and mechanical shock. The system must adhere to damp as well as dry concrete, wood, metal, tile, terrazzo, and sound existing epoxy and urethane coatings. It shall have an elongation of 6% in the unfilled form when tested using ASTM D-638. The film hardness shall be a Shore D of 80. The system shall be unaffected by oils and greases and have adequate chemical resistance against such acids as 30% chromic, 98% sulfuric, 85% phosphoric and 20% acetic, as well as resist such caustics as 50% sodium hydroxide and 20% ammonium hydroxide.

## **Mission Statement**

Our mission is to provide our customers the highest possible quality products and services and by so doing, build long term relationships based on mutual trust and respect.

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The data, statements and recommendations set forth in this product information sheet are based on testing, research and other development work which has been carefully conducted by us, and we believe such data, statements and recommendations will serve as reliable guidelines. However, this product is subject to numerous uses under varying conditions over which we have no control, and accordingly, we do NOT warrant that this product is suitable for any particular use. Users are advised to test the product in advance to make certain it is suitable for their particular production conditions and particular use or uses.

**WARRANTY** - All products manufactured by us are warranted to be first class material and free from defects in material and workmanship.

Liability under this warranty is limited to the net purchase price of any such products proven defective or, at our option, to the repair or replacement of said products upon their return to us transportation prepaid. All claims hereunder on defective products must be made in writing within 30 days after the receipt of such products in your plant and prior to further processing or combining with other materials and products. WE MAKE NO WARRANTY, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, AS TO THE SUITABILITY OF ANY OF OUR PRODUCTS FOR ANY PARTICULAR USE, AND WE SHALL NOT BE SUBJECT TO LIABILITY FROM ANY DAMAGES RESULTING FROM THEIR USE IN OPERATIONS NOT UNDER OUR DIRECT CONTROL.

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