



VLW Underlayment (Self -Prime)

Modified Epoxy Resin and Light-Weight Aggregate

DESCRIPTION

Very Lightweight Underlayment (VLW) is a 100% solids epoxy resin base mixed with a very lightweight aggregate to form a trowel applied decking underlayment for general use under all deck covering materials. Due to the rapid cure of VLW Lightweight Underlayment, it can be installed with minimum downtime. It can be applied directly to clean metal or steel. It offers every advantage for lightweight filler sloping/leveling compound for quick turnover maintenance and/or repair installations.

Recommended *minimum* application thickness

1/8 inch	3.17 mm	125 mils
50 Square Feet Per Kit		

Recommended *average* application thickness

1/4 inch	6.35 mm	250 mils
25 Square Feet Per Kit		

Recommended *maximum* application thickness per pass

2 inches	50 mm	2000 mils
3 Square Feet Per Kit		

Kit and Packaging sizes (1 kit = Resin + Hardener+ Aggregate)

Item Number	Description	Weight
0982N-Kit	Self-Prime VLW Underlayment Pail Kit	31 Lbs. / 14.06 KG
0982N-BK	Self-Prime VLW Underlayment Bag Kit	31 Lbs. / 14.06 KG

* Please refer to price list to purchase each component separately*

Installation Guideline for the complete Self Prime VLW Underlayment System

Step1: Pre-Mix A and B components; combine and mix thoroughly for 2 min. Pour a small amount of the combined resin onto the working surface and back roll with an epoxy nap roller. This will be the primer coat for this system.

Step2: Pour the remaining combined resin into a separate bucket large enough to blend in the aggregate. Slowly add aggregate to combined resins and mix until the blend resembles wet pumice sand.

Step3: Dump the mixture onto the working surface and trowel smooth to desired thickness. Usually this is around ¼ inch or to the granular level around 1/8th inch.

Step4: When the VLW Underlayment is fully cured, scape with a dry trowel to remove any excess material. Mix and pour TM Grout Resin onto the working surface. Work the TM Grout Resin into the cured material with a squeegee trowel. Remove any excess TM Grout and allow to cure. (Refer to **TM Grout TDS**)

Step5: Apply desired primary decking system over cured/ Grouted underlayment system.

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Surface Preparation

Metal deck surfaces should be cleaned free of rust, loose scale, and dirt in accordance with SSPC SP11/NACE No 6. Grease and oil should be removed with approved solvents and clean rags in accordance with SSPC SP-1. The resulting surface should be clean and bright and protected against corrosion before Dex-O-Tex materials are applied. Very Lightweight Underlayment system may be applied to a cured Navy Formula 150 Primer, MIL-DTL-24441, MIL-PRF23636 or Manufacturer Bond Coat or VLW Primer. Consult your local Dex-O-Tex Marine Rep. when wood or other deck surfaces are involved.

Job Site Survey

Measure and record ambient temperature and humidity, surface temperature and the temperature of the material being used. Do not proceed with the application if the conditions are outside the recommended parameters. Inspect materials to be used. Verify material is the proper material and all components and sizes are correct. Inspect all containers and verify a proper factory seal with no signs of damage or leakage. Premix Liquid materials into a smooth homogenous blend before uses.

Environmental Conditions for Application

All materials are mixed, applied and cured at the job site. Multiple environmental conditions are required to facilitate proper curing and performance of the products. Ensure conditions are in accordance with the following requirements.

Substrate Temp	Min. 50°F	Max. 80°F
Relative humidity	Min. <90%	Max. 85%
Ambient Air Temp	Min. 50°F	Max. 80°F

Dry to Re-Coat or Use	12Hrs at 60°F	24Hrs at <40°F
Max Re-Coat	24Hrs at 60°F	48Hrs at <40°F
Cure to Full Service	48Hrs at 60°F	96Hrs at <40°F

Material Disclosure

Materials should be delivered in original packages and containers with seals unbroken and bearing manufacturer's labels containing brand name and directions for storage and mixing with other components. Check materials immediately upon receipt, verify all the correct materials in the correct packaging are accounted for in good condition. Sort the materials and store them in a tempered storage area.

Applicator Notes

For proper workability it is important the Dex-O-Tex materials be stored and mixed at a temperature between 65°F-80°F. A warm substrate will decrease the pot life and make the materials sticky. A cooler substrate will lengthen the cure time and may cause a blush of the polymeric resins. Decking surfaces and room temperature of 65°F or slightly higher must be maintained for the duration of the Cure to Full Service time. When mixing the polymeric resin components, be sure to use all the provided resins. The resins are premeasured to the correct ratios. Scrape all the hardener from the container into the resin. Do not turn mixing vessels upside down to drain on the flooring surface. Unmixed resin from the side may produce soft or uncured spots on the flooring surface. Keep the unfinished flooring surface clean. Do not track dirt, grease, or any other contaminants onto the unfinished decking surface. Any contaminate could negatively affect the aesthetics of the finished flooring. Good ventilation must be provided during application, particularly in confined spaces. Always obtain, read and observe manufacturers Safety Data Sheets (SDS) before handling polymeric materials.

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