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# Aqua-Gem™ Water Based Epoxy Primer | No vocs - No SOLVENTS

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#### **PRODUCT DESCRIPTION**

Aqua-Gem<sup>TM</sup> Water Based Epoxy Primer is a water-based epoxy coating specially formulated for use as a surface primer for seamless flooring applications to provide superior adhesion of epoxy and urethane top-coats. Aqua-Gem is an easy to mix 1 Part A to 2 Parts B by volume mix ratio. Aqua-Gem is ideal for damp and porous concrete surfaces. Aqua-Gem is resistant to most chemicals and solvents. Aqua-Gem can be pigmented for color coating of surfaces.

#### **ADVANTAGES**

- No VOCs
- No Solvents
- Tough & Durable Surface
- Chemical Resistant
- Solvent Resistant
- Moisture Tolerant

## **RECOMMENDED USES**

**Aqua-Gem** is designed to coat and seal concrete, wood, metal and fiberglass to provide a secure surface for top coating. It is ideal for use for:

- Crack Healing & Sealing
- Tough & Durable Surface
- Exposed Aggregate Resurfacing
- Waterproofing Concrete Block
- Quartz & Flake Broadcast Flooring

## **APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS**

When tinting **Aqua-Gem** a water based compatible colorant should be added after combining parts A and B then mixed until an even streak-free color is achieved.

**Aqua-Gem** can be diluted with water to improve penetration of concrete when used as a base coat.

When diluting, dispense and mix 1A to 2B by volume for 10 minutes before adding up to a maximum of 50% water by volume.

- Aqua-Gem can be applied by squeegee, brush, roller or spraying.
- 2. Clean surface by shotblasting or grinding to provide clean and open surface.
- 3. Thoroughly mix measured amounts of 1 Part A (Resin) with 2 Parts B (Hardener) by volume until streak free. Scrape side and bottom of pail frequently during mixing to insure a good mix. Mix only enough that can be applied in 45 minutes.
- **4.** Spread mixed epoxy with a squeegee, then back-roll evenly using a 3/8 in. (9.5 mm) nap roller. For best results, back-roll in two perpendicular directions to ensure uniform coverage and avoid puddles or dry spots.

## For Rough or Porous Surfaces:

Use a 1/2 in. (12.7 mm) roller.

### For Smooth, Dense Concrete:

Use a 1/4 in. (6.35 mm) roller.

 Aqua-Gem is primarily used as a substrate primer but can also enhance the color and depth of acid-stained or water-based stained interior floors.

When used as a color enhancer, it must be topcoated with a hard clear sealer or liquid polymer wax for protection and durability.

#### **PACKAGING**

Aqua-Gem is available in a 3 Gallon kit, or 15 Gallon Kit.

## **SHELF LIFE**

Unopened containers of Aqua-Gem are guaranteed for 18 months. Store in temperatures between 60-80°F (16-22°C). Storing above 85°F (29°C) will reduce the shelf life. Keep from freezing.

## **LIMITATIONS**

- Not for use on contaminated or oily surfaces.
- DO NOT apply when surface temperature is below 60°F (16°C) or above 85°F (29°C).
- During damp and/or cool conditions epoxy will cure more slowly. Protect finished work from traffic until fully cured

# **CAUTIONS**

- Wear chemical goggles and NIOSH approved respirator.
   Wear proper protective clothing and gloves to prevent direct contact of resins. Consult Safety Data Sheet for full listing of protective requirements.
- Aqua-Gem Water Based Epoxy Primer may irritate eyes
   & skin. Avoid contact with eyes or prolonged contact with skin.
- For professional use only.
- Keep out of reach of children.

#### TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

TYPICAL PROPERTIES | All values measured after 7 days at 73°F (23°C).

Mix Ratio: 1A:2B by volume Pot Life: 50 min.\* (100 gms)

Color While Mixing: Pale Yellow | Mixed Color: Clear Amber

Mixed Viscosity: 1,300 cps.

\*When mixed or cured at 73°F (23°C)

Thin Film Set Time: 6 Hrs.\* Thin Film Recoat Time: 4-5 Hrs\*

Ready For Light Foot Traffic: 12 Hrs.\* Full Cure Time: 18 Hrs.\*

Shore Hardness: 75D | Shelf Life: 18 Mos.\*\*

Elongation @ Break: 0.35% ASTM D638

\*\* From date of manufacture when stored at 73°F (23°C) in unopened containers.

#### POLYGEM LIMITED WARRANTY: