



ShieldSeal

743

## Permanent Protection & Purging for Existing Concrete

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### Product Description

ShieldSeal 743 is a spray-applied treatment that is specifically engineered to penetrate the capillaries and pores of reinforced concrete structures to prevent electrolyte ingress into the concrete and to stabilise pH to help protect embedded reinforcing steel.

ShieldSeal 743 is a one-time application that increases durability and provides permanent protection, reducing recurring maintenance saving time and money.

Concrete remediation practices are enhanced with ShieldSeal 743 application as it forms a Calcium Silicate Hydrate compound within the concrete capillaries and pores to waterproof the concrete. Treated concrete has been tested to withstand over 75 meters of Head Pressure. Depending on the mix design, ShieldSeal 743 can purge and/or encapsulate contaminants within the concrete capillary and pore structure, effectively removing their contribution to reinforced concrete distress.

ShieldSeal 743 technology addresses concrete durability issues such as de-icing chemical and freeze-thaw damage, concrete contamination, concrete permeability, moisture migration, concrete carbonation, and alkali-aggregate reactivity. ShieldSeal 743 also locks in free alkali to mitigate efflorescence.

Non-flammable with zero VOCs, ShieldCrete® Technology is unique with over 35-years proven performance.

ShieldSeal 743 is a spray-applied, penetrating Portland cement concrete treatment. It provides benefits that include waterproofing, densification and surface hardening, resistance to salt and chemical attack, freeze-thaw damage and reinforcing steel corrosion prevention in new concrete or arresting corrosion in older concrete.

### Properties

Colour	Cloudy White
Odour	None
Specific Gravity	1.10
pH	11.5
Flammability	0 (non-flammable)
Toxicity	None
VOC/VOS Content	0.0 g/ml
Surface Bond Quality	100% of Untreated Concrete
Paintability	100% of Untreated Concrete
Clean-up Solvent	Water
Environmental Impact	None/Neutral
User Status	Friendly

### Where To Use

ShieldSeal 743 may be applied on any Portland cement concrete element that requires superior protection.

### Installation Advantage

- ✓ Allows foot traffic in as little as 1-hour for most flatwork. Up to 3-hours for really dense concrete and/or extremely high moisture conditions.
- ✓ Ready to accept coatings and/or coverings in as little as 3 days on existing concrete.
- ✓ Can also purge and/or encapsulate contaminants in concrete.
- ✓ 0.0 g/ml VOC content
- ✓ Water-based
- ✓ Non-flammable
- ✓ Non-toxic
- ✓ Odourless

### Product Benefits

- ✓ Protects embedded reinforcing steel – old or new.
- ✓ Rejuvenates concrete capillary & pore structure.
- ✓ Ready to accept all coatings & coverings (improves pull off strength for coatings).
- ✓ Access slabs in as little as 1-hour.
- ✓ Improves resistance to chemical & environmental attack.
- ✓ Permanent protection - apply only once.
- ✓ Increases durability.
- ✓ Increased resistance to corrosion for a LIFETIME.
- ✓ Saves time & money.
- ✓ Non-flammable
- ✓ Zero VOC
- ✓ Recommended for high density concrete.
- ✓ Simple and safe to apply.

### Packaging & Storage

ShieldSeal 743 is packaged in 20-liter pails. Product shall ideally be stored in a location that is dry and between 2°C to 38°C ambient temperature. Optimal storage is at the middle of the temperature range. Protect from freezing. 5-year shelf life under proper storage conditions.

### Surface Preparation

1. Do not apply on frozen substrate or when temperature can fall below 0°C within 24 hours of application.
2. Curing membranes, wax, paint, or foreign deposits of any kind restricting access to concrete's internal pore structure must be mechanically removed for ShieldSeal 743 to penetrate (i.e.- surface grinding, shot blasting, bush hammering, etc.).
3. Test porosity by applying a few drops of clean water on the surface. Water should absorb within 1½ - 3 minutes. If unsure, contact ShieldCrete® representative for guidance.
4. Sweep and/or vacuum the surface thoroughly prior to application.

**Note:** It is very important to contact ShieldCrete® for job specific advice regarding correct application before commencing use of this product.



## Application

1. Use a low to medium pressure sprayer complete with an extension wand and 0.019 - 0.031-inch (0.48- 0.79 mm) fan tip spray jet. Hold wand and spray 6 inches (15 cm) from the surface of the substrate at a 90° angle.
 

**IMPORTANT:** Product MUST be applied using an overlapping spray pattern of 50% on the previous run.
2. For slab applications, product should hold a flooded appearance (swimming pool effect) for approximately 15 minutes. There are inherent variations in concrete density; some areas will absorb faster than others. Any area that absorbs product faster than 15 minutes will need to be reapplied until the product no longer absorbs faster than 15 minutes. This is called spraying to the “point of rejection”.
  - a) If an area is re-applied more than 3 times, contact the ShieldCrete® technical department for additional information.
  - b) If product has absorbed thoroughly in most of the area, but there is pooling in the low areas, use a broom to spread additional product into the areas already penetrated. Do not allow product to dry in pools. Remove excess with a damp mop.
  - c) After liquid absorption, treated area can be opened to foot traffic.
  - d) In the event of product drying on the surface, lightly and quickly sand the entire surface to remove any of the dried product. Remove dust with broom or vacuum.
  - e) Process is complete.
3. For vertical and overhead applications, work from lowest to highest elevation. Very light and repeated spray passes should be made on the same area until the concrete surface no longer accepts product. Move onto next area after achieving “point of rejection”. Please contact your nearest ShieldCrete® representative for additional technical support and/or training.

### Notes:

- Use of a dust mask or screen while applying the product is recommended.
- ShieldSeal 743 may be used as a superior curing medium for patches on existing concrete. Apply to newly placed and finished concrete as soon as it is hard enough for foot traffic or upon form removal. If placing on concrete after form removal, ensure that there is no form release oils or membranes on the concrete surface that could impede the penetration of ShieldSeal 743. Do not allow excess product to dry on the surface before leaving the site. Remove any excess by broom sweeping.
- Areas of high porosity have a faster absorption rate and may dry immediately after spraying. It is important that the product is applied to achieve surface saturation. For slabs, it should appear as total flooding (swimming pool effect) over the entire surface with a thickness of approximately 1/16 - inch (1.5mm). Frequently check coverage rates. Surface saturation should hold that appearance for approximately 15 minutes. If absorption continues to be excessive, contact the ShieldCrete® representative.
- If applying coatings and/or coverings, wait a minimum of 24-hours from the time of final application of ShieldSeal 743 for existing concrete or until new concrete is fit for service. Then lightly sand and thoroughly vacuum the surface to remove any contaminants that may be on the surface. Do not flush with water as mechanical removal allows faster access to the surface.
- Like fresh concrete itself and other alkaline materials, ShieldSeal 743 may etch glass, shiny aluminium and brass if left to dry on the surface. Simply remove while wet.

- If considering application of this product over precast concrete products, contact ShieldCrete® before use as precast concrete products vary widely in porosity and construction.
- Application rates and methods differ when applying overhead and vertically. Contact ShieldCrete® for additional information.
- DO NOT apply on frozen substrate or when temperature is near freezing.
- DO NOT apply when substrate is 32°C or higher. If surface temperature is higher than 32°C, then pre-wetting with water is required. Be sure to remove any puddles before applying of ShieldSeal 743.

## General Information

For safe handling information on this product, see the Safety Data Sheet (SDS).

## Storage

Product shall ideally be stored in a location that is dry and between 35° to 100°F (2° to 38°C), ambient temperature. Optimal storage is at the middle of the temperature range. 5-year shelf life under proper storage conditions.

## Warranty

See ShieldCrete® International limited warranty.

## Coverage Guide

- 5.0 - 7.0 m<sup>2</sup> per 1 litre
- 140 - 180 ft<sup>2</sup> per 1 gallon

Coverage rates are a guide, and figures may increase or decrease depending on the porosity of the concrete and spray technique for more info visit [www.shieldcreteinternational.com](http://www.shieldcreteinternational.com).

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