

# **INNO-FLOOR FOX HARDTOP® FF300**

# **Ouartz Aggregate Powder Surface Hardener**

#### Description

FOX HARDTOP® FF300, one component, colored, ready-to-use surface hardener consisting of cement, specially selected guartz aggregate, pigment and additives, and applied by sprinkling in powder form on freshly polished concrete and screed surfaces.

### **Fields of Application**

- · Indoors and outdoors,
- In Warehouses and Hangars,
- · In garages,
- In open and closed car parks,
- Shopping malls and public areas,
- Used in factories and workshops.

#### **Advantages**

- Easy to apply.
- The applied surface is 2-4 times more durable than the normal concrete surface.
- Thanks to the modified polymers it contains, it absorbs the water of the floor concrete on which it is applied and forms a monolithic structure with the concrete after polishing.
- It prevents the surface from dusting.
- Color options are available.
- It is easier to clean than normal concrete surface.
- · Resistant to freeze-thaw effect.

#### **Technical Properties**

Structure of Material Special cement, Modified Polymer, pigment and Quartz aggregate Color Natural Grey, Anthracite, Green, Red, Special Color 28 days Compressive Strength 80 N/mm<sup>2</sup> EN ISO 5470-1 / Taber 1 kg 1000 rev. / H22 disk (weight loss) / 69 mg Abrasion Resistance

**Application Surface Temperature** +5°C/+30°C Service Temperature -20°C /+80°C

The above values are given at +23°C and 50% relative humidity. High temperatures shorten the time, low temperatures extend the time.

# **Application Procedure**

#### **Surface Preparation**

The compressive strength of the concrete to be applied must be at least 25 N/mm<sup>2</sup> (C25). To achieve the best results, concrete slump values should be between 75-100 mm. The concrete must contain sufficient cement (300-350 kg/m<sup>3</sup>) and the floor thickness must be at least 15 cm. Air entrained concretes are not suitable surfaces for applying surface hardener.

# **Primer**

In monolithic screed applications, FOX BINDER FM125 should be applied as a primer on the roughened concrete surface before starting the casting process to ensure adherence between the old concrete and the screed. In floating screed applications, a polyethylene cover should be laid on the old concrete to prevent the screed concrete to be poured from sticking to the old concrete.

# **Concrete Pouring**

In accordance with the project, molds should be placed according to the determined areas. Before pouring concrete, FOX HARDTOP® FF300 bags should be arranged on the main edges in accordance with the consumption foreseen in the project. The thickness of the screeds on which FOX HARDTOP® FF300 will be applied must be over 7 cm, the water/cement ratio must be over 0.45 and the concrete class must be at least (C25). When pouring concrete between slabs, the concrete should be compacted using a vibrating gauge. Before water appears on the concrete surface, necessary corrections must be made using a control gauge and wooden trowel. Water that rises to the concrete surface should be removed by sweeping it with a long-armed wooden jig.

# **Surface Hardener Application**

The amount of **FOX HARDTOP**® **FF300** to be used on the plaster strip to be applied should be placed aside. Before the sprinkling application, concrete with a triangular section of approximately 5 x 5 cm should be removed with a trowel





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along the joint on the edges of the plaster strip. FOX HARDTOP® FF300, made into a mortar with very little water, should be applied with a trowel instead of the received concrete. This process will prevent the joint edges from breaking under load. FOX HARDTOP® FF300 should not be sprinkled over long distances to prevent the aggregates inside from separating. Depending on the environment and weather conditions, the sprinkling process should be started after the concrete has hardened enough to leave a 0.75-1.0 cm deep footprint when walking on it.

The material should not be poured into heaps on the plaster strip, it should be sprinkled as homogeneously as possible and smoothed with a check pass. In the first stage, 2/3 of the total consumption should be sprinkled on the concrete surface and spread with a check pass or with the help of a machine. It should be waited for the spread material to absorb the water of the concrete and become moist (change color) and the surface hardener should be integrated with the concrete by applying sufficient disc polishing (helicopter tray polishing). Then, the remaining material should be spread on the concrete surface as in the first application and the same processes should be repeated. While polishing the disc, the surface material that overflows onto the previously poured on plaster strip must be constantly cleaned with a spatula. Otherwise, there will be a difference in level between the two panels and a bad joint appearance. After coarse polishing, fine polishing should be done. Fine polishing is polishing done with a knife. Blade polishing should be done until the desired shine is achieved.

After the surface hardener application is completed, a curing material should be applied to the surface to prevent shrinkage cracks and ensure dust-free. Thus, FOX HARDTOP® FF300 provides the desired maximum performance. Curing application must be done in summer and winter. SARTECH Yapı Malz. San. ve Tic. Ltd Şti. Technical Service should be consulted for suitable curing materials.

After the concrete has hardened sufficiently, the joints of the tiles must be cut to a width of at least 4 mm to create joints. The joints created should be filled with PU mastics to prevent negative effects such as breakage and dust formation caused by the joints. Surface hardener application is done at varying timings depending on the quality and type of concrete to be applied, weather and environmental conditions. The application speed increases in hot weather, and the application rate decreases in cold weather. During application, attention should be paid to the setting stages of the concrete.

#### **Cleaning of Tools**

Tools and equipment used after application should be cleaned immediately with water. FOX HARDTOP® FF300 can only be cleaned from the surface mechanically after hardening.

#### **Package**

25 kg polyethylene reinforced kraft bag

## Consumption

4-8 kg/m<sup>2</sup> depending on the intended use and traffic load. In light color applications, less than 7 kg/m<sup>2</sup> should not be used.

## **Shelf Life**

When stored correctly at room temperature, between +5°C and +30°C, away from direct sunlight, the shelf life is 12 months from the date of production. Opened packages should be closed and consumed within 1 week.

## Storage

It should be stored in its unopened original packaging, in a cool and dry environment, protected from frost. For shortterm storage, a maximum of 3 pallets should be stacked on top of each other and shipment should be made on a firstin, first-out system. For long-term storage, pallets should not be stacked on top of each other.

## **Safety Precautions**

It is dangerous to approach storage and application areas with fire. Storage and application areas should be ventilated. During application, work clothes, protective gloves, glasses and masks in accordance with occupational and worker health rules should be used. It should not be contacted with skin or eyes during storage and application. In case of contact, it should be washed immediately with plenty of water and soap. If swallowed, a doctor should be consulted immediately. Food and beverage materials should not be brought into application areas. It should be stored in places inaccessible to children.

For detailed information, please refer to the Material Safety Data Sheet.

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