PHOSCRETE REBAR COAT

TECHNICAL DATA GUIDE

Very Rapid Hardening MALP (Magnesium Aluminum Liquid Phosphate) cementitious mortar for application to steel bars prior to installation of Phoscrete F3 [MKP Series] concretes. Rebar Coat stops rust on contact and prevents further corrosion.

DESCRIPTION

PHOSCRETE® REBAR COAT™ (RC) is a two-part cementitious MPC (Magnesium-Phosphate-Cement) mortar composed of magnesium oxide, and aggregates (Dry Mix), that must be mixed with pre-measured RC Liquid Phosphate Activator. Phoscrete RC is very rapid hardening with high-early strength gain. It is easy to apply by hand. RC stops corrosion of steel on contact and forms both a chemical and a mechanical bond to steel, cured concrete, to itself, and to all Phoscrete MPC concretes. Phoscrete Rebar Coat meets ASTM C 928, Type R3.

PROVEN APPLICATIONS

- Horizontal, vertical and overhead: above grade and below grade concrete structures
- Rehabilitation of concrete bridge structural elements, including decks, soffits, beams, caps, piers, and columns
- Rehabilitation of marine structures including seawalls, navigation locks, guide walls, reservoirs, dams, and discharge tunnels
- Rapid repair of spalls on concrete pavements and floors

ADVANTAGES

- Labor and time-saving - no sandblasting of steel bars, no anti-corrosion primer, no sacrificial anodes.
- Stops rust on contact: converts iron oxide to metal phosphate.
- Inhibits future corrosion, including protection against the Ring Anode (Halo) Effect.
- Strong bond to steel, clean cured concrete and to itself with no cold joints.
- Fast, easy, and accurate mixing in a bucket.
  Two pre-measured components: dry mix in a bag and liquid activator in a jug.
- Easy to apply: high-build, non-sag.
- High early and ultimate compressive, bond, flexural, and tensile strengths.
- Freeze-thaw resistant.
- Very low shrinkage.
- Chemically stable: no added chlorides, resists chloride penetration.
- All temperature use –works fast even in sub-freezing temperatures. Cool RC Activator in warm temperatures and use Phoscrete Fast-Set/Slow-Set Admixtures to manage setting/working time.
- Environmentally friendly – no VOCs, no odor.

Packaging

Small Bag Kit: [1] bag + [1] jug
Dry Mix: 22 lb. (10 kg)
Polyethylene -lined paper bag
RC Activator: 42 fl. oz. (1.2 l) *LDPE ½-gallon jug*
Yield: 2.4 bf, 0.20 ft^3, 0.0056 m^3
96 bags and jugs per full pallet.

Mixing Ratio

Pre-measured, pre-extended.
Mix [1] jug into [1] bag.
Use color-matched bags and jugs.
Always add liquid first.
Do not extend with sand or aggregate.

Storage

Store in clean, dry conditions in unopened, original packaging.

Shelf Life

Dry Mix: 24 months
Activator: 12 months
(*when properly stored*)

VOC Content

0 g/L: Less exempt solvents

LABORATORY TEST DATA

Fresh Properties

Test	Specification	Description	Time	Typical Results	
Set Time	ASTM C403	Time of Setting by Penetration Resistance	Initial | Final	8 min	9 min
Slump	ASTM C143	Slump of Hydraulic-Cement Concrete	5 min	10.25 in (26 cm)	
Density	ASTM C387	Density (Unit Weight) of Concrete		132.9 lb/ft^3	2259 kg/m^3
Air Content	ASTM C231	Air Content by Pressure Method		5.7%	

Strength Properties

Test	Specification	Description	Time	Typical Results	
				psi	MPa
Compressive Strength	ASTM C109	Compressive Strength of Hydraulic Cement Mortars Using 2-in. Cube Specimens	1 hour	4500	31.0
			1 day	8500	58.6
			28 days	10000	68.9
Flexural Strength	ASTM C78	Flexural Strength of Concrete Using Simple Beam with Third-Point Loading	1 day	575	3.4
			28 days	600	4.8
Bond Strength	ASTM C882	Bond Strength by Slant Shear: Phoscrete - Concrete	1 hour	1500	10.3
			1 day	2500	17.2
			28 days	3000	20.7
		Bond Strength by Slant Shear: Phoscrete - Phoscrete	1 hour	1750	12.1
			1 day	2500	17.2
			28 days	3000	20.7
Tensile Strength	ASTM C496	Splitting Tensile Strength of Cylindrical Concrete Specimens	1 day	810	6.9
Modulus of Elasticity	ASTM C469	Static Modulus of Elasticity and Poisson's Ratio of Concrete in Compression	28 days	3.1 E^{+06}	21 E^{+04}
				0.274	

Durability Properties

Test	Specification	Description	Test	Typical Results	
Free Shrinkage	ASTM C157	Length Change of Hardened Concrete (Std)	28 Days Wet | Dry	+0.03%	-0.03%
Freeze Thaw	ASTM C666-A	Resistance of Concrete to Rapid Freezing and Thawing in a Saturated Condition (300 cycles)	Durability Factor	95.5%	
Chlorides	ASTM C1202	Electrical Indication of Concrete's Ability to Resist Chloride Ion Penetration (Coulombs)	28 days	83 C (negligible)	
	AASHTO T260	Chloride Content (%)	28 days	.004%	.004%

Laboratory test reports are available upon request.

GENERAL INSTALLATION GUIDELINES

- Apply Phoscrete RC prior to application of Phoscrete Formula 3 [MKP Series] concrete.
- It is not necessary to apply Phoscrete RC prior to application of Phoscrete Formula 1 [MALP Series] concrete.
- Refer to Phoscrete Formula 1 [MALP Series] Full Installation Guide, for the most complete documentation on best practices.
- Refer to Warm Temperature Guidelines and Cold Temperature Guidelines, for information on how to mix Phoscrete materials in warm (>70°F/20°C) and cold climates (<50°F/10°C), The Guidelines contain information about the use of Phoscrete Fast- and Slow-Set Admixtures, and best practices for cooling or supercooling the Liquid Activator. Cooling the Liquid Activator can be achieved on ice at 40°F (4°C) or supercooling in a freezer at 10°F (-12°C). Liquid Activator's freezing point is -10°F (-23°C).

SURFACE PREPARATION

- The concrete surface must be sound and fully cured.
- Remove loose, damaged, and concrete contaminated by oil, grease, and other bond-inhibiting materials.
- Existing sound concrete does not need to be completely removed from steel bars for Phoscrete RC to be effective.
- When saw-cutting or shot-blasting, remove surface dust and slurry with air or water (allow to dry prior to application).
- Surface must be frost-free, dry, and free of standing water. Gently apply heat (torch) to eliminate surface moisture.
- Concrete profile should reach minimum CSP (Concrete Surface Profile) of 6 per ICRI Guidelines.
- Remove loose scale (rust) from steel bars with a wire brush. Sandblasting is not required.
- Replace reinforcing bars according to instructions from the designer. Generally, bars that have lost 25% or more of their original diameter must be replaced.

MIXING

- Mix PHOSCRETE RC at the placement site.
- Mix [1] jug of RC Activator into [1] bag RC Dry Mix. Match colored labels on bags and jugs to ensure proper mixing ratio.
  Note: 22 lb. Kits of RC have light brown labels and pair with ½-gallon jugs.
- DO NOT MIX USING PARTIAL BAGS OR JUGS.
  Note: RC Activator jugs contain liquids with different densities. Using a partial jug does not guarantee equal distribution of liquids.
- Use a heavy-duty five [5] gallon bucket for mixing. Mix with a paddle (Phoscrete's urethane auger is highly recommended), using a dual or variable speed drill suitable for mixing (Bosch GBM-9-16 is highly recommended).
- When mixing Small Pail Kits, use a minimum 18v variable speed drill on the high torque setting. For professional use, Phoscrete's small urethane auger is highly recommended.
- Agitate then empty entire jug or jar into a clean bucket first. Next add other Phoscrete admixtures (Fast-Set, Slow-Set) as needed. Then add Dry Mix into the bucket while slowly running the mixer.
- Mix for a minimum of 45 seconds, and until the material is completely wetted out (no dry material remains) and begins to fold over on itself, showing a putty consistency. Do not under-mix or over-mix.

HAND-PACK APPLICATION

- A batch of Phoscrete RC must be placed and finished within 5 - 15 minutes after mixing, temperature dependent.
- Install immediately after mixing. Discard the remainder of the batch once the material begins to set up in the pail.
- Phoscrete RC is a thixotropic material: vibration and tapping with a trowel increases flow.
- Using a gloved hand, scrub in a thin layer of RC into the exposed reinforcing steel.
- Next, quickly hand-apply a second thicker coat of RC onto the steel bars at approximately ¼" (½ cm) uniform thickness.

CONCRETE REPAIR APPLICATION

- Once RC has been applied to all exposed steel bars, repairs can proceed immediately.
- Complete the concrete repairs using Phoscrete Formula 3 MPC concrete (VO or HC) using appropriate mixing and placement methods in accordance with Phoscrete Formula 3 [MKP Series] Full Installation Guide.
- Phoscrete bonds quickly to cured Phoscrete RC with no cold joints.

CLEANING

- In-between batches, clean tools with a water-dampened towel, and wipe off excess water prior to contact with Phoscrete.
- When the job is completed, clean tools with water. Clean hands with soap and water.

LIMITATIONS

- Do not apply Phoscrete RC to galvanized steel (zinc).
- Do not use any primer or admixtures other than those provided by Phoscrete.
- Do not extend Phoscrete RC with aggregate. Do not add sand and/or any type of cement.
- Do not mix partial units.
- Minimum ambient temperature: -5°F (-20°C)
- Do not use water when mixing, placing, or finishing Phoscrete RC
- Proper application is the responsibility of the user. Field visits by Phoscrete personnel are for the purpose of making technical recommendations, not for supervising or providing quality control on the jobsite.

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