

PRODUCT DATA SHEET

Sikafloor®-160

EPOXY PRIMER, LEVELLING MORTAR AND MORTAR SCREED



DESCRIPTION

Sikafloor®-160 is a two part, low viscosity, multipurpose epoxy resin which can be used as an epoxy primer, levelling mortar and mortar screed. Internal and external use.

USES

Sikafloor®-160 may only be used by experienced professionals.

- Priming concrete substrates, cement screeds and epoxy mortars
- For low to medium absorbent substrates
- Primer for the Sikafloor®-263 SL N and Sikafloor®-264 N economic flooring systems
- Binder for levelling mortars and mortar screeds
- Intermediate layer underneath Sikafloor®-263 SL N and Sikafloor®-264 N

CHARACTERISTICS / ADVANTAGES

- Low viscosity
- Good penetration
- Good bond strength
- Short waiting times
- Multi-purpose

SUSTAINABILITY

- Conformity with LEED v2009 IEQc 4.2: Low-Emitting Materials - Paints and Coatings
- IBU Environmental Product Declaration (EPD)

APPROVALS / CERTIFICATES

- CE Marking and Declaration of Performance to EN 1504-2 - Surface protection product for concrete - Coating
- CE Marking and Declaration of Performance to EN 13813 - Resin screed material for internal use in building
- Bonding test EN 13578, Sikafloor®-160, kiwa, Report No. P 9400

PRODUCT INFORMATION

Composition	Epoxy	
Packaging	Part A	12,8 kg containers
	Part B	7,2 kg containers
	Part A+B	20 kg ready to mix units
	Part A	210 kg drums
	Part B	177 kg drums

Appearance / Colour	Resin - part A	brownish-transparent, liquid	
	Hardener - part B	transparent, liquid	
Shelf life	12 months from date of production		
Storage conditions	The product must be stored properly in original, unopened and undamaged sealed packaging, in dry conditions at temperatures between +5°C and +30°C. Always refer to packaging.		
Density	Part A	~ 1,13 kg/l	(DIN EN ISO 2811-1)
	Part B	~ 1,02 kg/l	
	Mixed Resin	~ 1,10 kg/l	
	All density values at +23°C		
Solid content by weight	~100 %		
Solid content by volume	~100 %		
Product Declaration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ CE-marking and Declaration of Performance as Surface protection product for concrete - Coating according to EN 1504-2:2004, based on certificate of factory production control issued by notified factory production control certification body and type testing. ▪ CE-marking and Declaration of Performance as Synthetic resin screed for internal uses according to EN 13813:2002, based on certificate of factory production control issued by notified factory production control certification body and type testing. 		

TECHNICAL INFORMATION

Shore D Hardness	~76 (7 days / +23°C)	(DIN 53 505)
Compressive Strength	Mortar Screed: >35 N/mm ² (28 days / +23°C / 50 % r.h.)	(EN13892-2)
Tensile Strength in Flexure	Mortar Screed: ~15 N/mm ² (28 days / +23°C / 50 % r.h.)	(EN13892-2)
Tensile Adhesion Strength	> 1.5 N/mm ² (failure in concrete)	(ISO 4624)
Temperature Resistance	Exposure*	Dry heat
	Permanent	+50°C
	Short-term max. 7 d	+80°C
	Short-term max. 12 h	+100°C

Short-term moist/wet heat* up to +80°C where exposure is only occasional (steam cleaning etc.).

*No simultaneous chemical and mechanical exposure and only in combination with Sikafloor® systems as a broadcast system with approx. 3 - 4 mm thickness.

SYSTEMS

Systems

Primer	
Low / medium porosity concrete	1 - 2 x Sikafloor®-160
Levelling mortar fine (surface roughness < 1 mm)	
Primer	1 - 2 x Sikafloor®-160
Levelling mortar	1 x Sikafloor®-160 + quartz sand (0,1 - 0,3 mm)
Levelling mortar medium (surface roughness up to 2 mm)	
Primer	1-2 x Sikafloor®-160
Levelling mortar	1 x Sikafloor®-160 + quartz sand (0,1 - 0,3 mm)
Intermediate layer (self-smoothing 1.5 to 3 mm)	
Primer	1 x Sikafloor®-160
Levelling mortar	1 x Sikafloor®-160 + quartz sand (0,1 - 0,3 mm)
Epoxy screed (15 - 20 mm layer thickness) / repair mortar	
Primer	1-2 x Sikafloor®-160
Bonding bridge	1 x Sikafloor®-160
Screed	1 x Sikafloor®-160 + suitable sand mixture

In practice the following sand mixtures proved to be suitable (grain size distribution for layer thicknesses of 15 - 20 mm):

25 pbw quartz sand 0,1 - 0,5 mm

25 pbw quartz sand 0,4 - 0,7 mm

25 pbw quartz sand 0,7 - 1,2 mm

25 pbw quartz sand 2 - 4 mm

Note: The largest grain size should be a maximum 1/3 of the finished layer thickness. Dependent on the grain shape and application temperatures, the aggregates and the most suitable mix should be selected and confirmed by pre-trials.

APPLICATION INFORMATION

Mixing Ratio	Part A : part B = 64 : 36 (by weight)		
Consumption	Coating System	Product	Consumption
	Priming	1 - 2 x Sikafloor®-160	1 - 2 x 0,30 - 0,50 kg/m ²
	Levelling mortar fine (surface roughness < 1 mm)	1 pbw Sikafloor®-160 + 0.5 pbw quartz sand (0,1 - 0,3 mm)	1,4 kg/m ² /mm
	Levelling mortar medium (surface roughness up to 2 mm)	1 pbw Sikafloor®-160 + 1 pbw quartz sand (0,1 - 0,3 mm)	1,6 kg/m ² /mm
	Intermediate layer (self-smoothing 1.5 to 3 mm)	1 pbw Sikafloor®-160 + 1 pbw quartz sand (0,1 - 0,3 mm)	1,6 kg/m ² /mm
		+ optional broadcast quartz sand 0,4 - 0,7 mm	~ 4,0 kg/m ²
	Bonding bridge	1 - 2 x Sikafloor®-160	1- 2 x 0,3 - 0,5 kg/m ²
	Epoxy screed (15 - 20 mm layer thickness) / Repair Mortar	1 pbw Sikafloor®-160 + 8 pbw quartz sand	2,2 kg/m ² /mm

Note: These figures are theoretical and do not allow for any additional material required due to surface porosity, surface profile, variations in level or wastage, e.t.c.

Ambient Air Temperature	+10°C min. / +30°C max.
Relative Air Humidity	80 % r.h. max.

Dew Point

Beware of condensation!

The substrate and uncured applied floor material must be at least 3°C above dew point to reduce the risk of condensation or blooming on the floor finish.

Note: Low temperatures and high humidity conditions increase the probability of blooming.

Substrate Temperature

+10°C min. / +30°C max.

Substrate Moisture Content

< 6% pbw moisture content using the Sika® - Tramex meter (at the time of application).

Please note that the moisture content must be < 4 % pbw when using the CM measurement or Oven-dry-method. Test method: Sika®-Tramex meter, CM - measurement or Oven-dry-method. No rising moisture according to ASTM (Polyethylene-sheet).

Pot Life**Temperature****Time**

+10°C

~50 minutes

+20°C

~25 minutes

+30°C

~15 minutes

Curing Time

Before applying solvent free products on Sikafloor®-160 allow:

Substrate temperature**Minimum****Maximum**

+10°C

24 hours

4 days

+20°C

12 hours

2 days

+30°C

8 hours

24 hours

Before applying solvent containing products on Sikafloor®-160 allow:

Substrate temperature**Minimum****Maximum**

+10°C

36 hours

6 days

+20°C

24 hours

4 days

+30°C

16 hours

2 days

Times are approximate and will be affected by changing ambient conditions particularly temperature and relative humidity.

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS**SUBSTRATE QUALITY / PRE-TREATMENT**

- Cementitious substrates (concrete / screed) must be structurally sound and of sufficient compressive strength (minimum 25 N/mm²) with a minimum tensile strength of 1,5 N/mm².
- Substrates must be clean, dry and free of all contaminants such as dirt, oil, grease, coatings, laitance, surface treatments and loose friable material.
- Cementitious substrates must be prepared mechanically using suitable abrasive blast cleaning or planing / scarifying equipment to remove cement laitance and achieve an open textured gripping surface profile suitable for the product thickness.
- High spots can be removed by grinding.
- Weak cementitious substrates must be removed and surface defects such as blow holes and voids must be fully exposed.
- Repairs to the substrate, filling of cracks, blowholes/voids and surface levelling must be carried out using appropriate products from the Sikafloor®, Sikadur® and Sikagard® range of materials. Products must be cured before applying Sikafloor®-160.
- All dust, loose and friable material must be completely removed from all surfaces before application of the product and associated system products,

preferably by vacuum extraction equipment.

MIXING

Prior to mixing, all parts, mix separately part A (resin) using a low speed single paddle electric stirrer (300 - 400 rpm). Add part B (hardener) to part A and mix part A + B continuously for 3,0 minutes until a uniform mix has been achieved. When parts A and B have been mixed, using a double paddle (axis) electric stirrer (>700W), pan type revolving or forced action mixer or other suitable equipment (free fall mixers must not be used) gradually add the appropriate granulometry of dried quartz sand and if required Extender T and mix . Mix for a further 2,0 minutes until a uniform mix has been achieved. To ensure thorough mixing pour materials into another container and mix again to achieve a smooth consistent mix. Excessive mixing must be avoided to minimise air entrainment. During the final mixing stage, scrape down the sides and bottom of the mixing container with a flat or straight edge trowel at least once to ensure complete mixing. Mix full units only. Mixing time for A+B+quartz sand = 5,0 minutes.

APPLICATION

Strictly follow installation procedures as defined in method statements, application manuals and working instructions which must always be adjusted to the actual site conditions. Prior to application, confirm substrate moisture content, relative air humidity, dew point, substrate, air and product temperatures. If moisture content > 4% parts by weight, Sikafloor® Epo-Cem® may be applied as a Temporary Moisture Barrier (T.M.B.) system.

Primer:

Pour mixed Sikafloor®-160 onto the prepared substrate and apply by brush, roller or squeegee then back roller in two directions at right angles to each other. Ensure a continuous, pore free coat covers the substrate. If necessary, apply two priming coats. Confirm primer waiting /overcoating time has been achieved before applying subsequent products. Refer to individual primer Product Data Sheet.

Levelling mortar:

Apply the levelling mortar by squeegee/trowel to the required thickness.

Intermediate layer:

Pour mixed Sikafloor®-160 onto the prepared substrate and spread evenly using a serrated trowel to the required thickness. Roll immediately in two directions at right angles to each other with a spiked roller to ensure even thickness and if required broadcast with quartz sand. Broadcast between ≥15 minutes minimum, ≤30 minutes maximum (at+20 °C), lightly at first and then to excess.

Bonding bridge:

Pour mixed Sikafloor®-160 onto the prepared substrate and apply by brush, roller or squeegee. For epoxy screed, back roller in two directions at right angles to each other. Ensure a continuous, pore free coat covers the substrate. If necessary, apply two priming coats.

Epoxy screed / repair mortar:

Apply the repair or screed mortar onto the "tacky" bonding bridge. For the screed, use levelling battens and screed rails as necessary. After a short waiting time, compact and smoothen the mortar with a trowel. For the screed, a teflon coated power float (~20–90rpm) is recommended.

CLEANING OF EQUIPMENT

Removal of fresh remnants from tools and application equipment can be carried out using Thinner C immediately after use. Hardened material can only be mechanically removed.

FURTHER INFORMATION

- Sika® Method Statement: Evaluation and Preparation of Surfaces for Flooring Systems
- Sika® Method Statement: Mixing & Application of Flooring Systems
- Sika® Method Statement: Sikafloor®-Cleaning Regime

IMPORTANT CONSIDERATIONS

- After application, Sikafloor®-160 must be protected from damp, condensation and direct water contact

(rain) for 24 hours.

- Construction joints and existing static surface cracks in substrate require pre-treating with a stripe coat by prefilling and levelling to seal against loss of material through the joint or cracks before full layer application. Use Sikadur® or Sikafloor® resins.
- The incorrect assessment and treatment of cracks may lead to a reduced service life and reflective cracking on the surface.
- If temporary heating is required, do not use gas, oil, paraffin or other fossil fuel heaters, these produce large quantities of both CO₂ and H₂O water vapour, which may adversely affect the finish. For heating use only electric powered warm air blower systems.
- Discard any material over the pot life recommendations.
- Do not apply on substrates with rising moisture.
- Sikafloor®-160 mortar screed is not suitable for frequent or permanent contact with water unless sealed.
- Pre-trials must be carried out for mortar mixes to assess suitable aggregate grain size distribution.
- For external applications, apply on a falling temperature. If applied during rising temperatures "pin holing" may occur from rising air. These pinholes can be closed after light grinding by applying a scratch coat of Sikafloor®-160 mixed with ~3 % of Extender T.

BASIS OF PRODUCT DATA

All technical data stated in this Product Data Sheet are based on laboratory tests. Actual measured data may vary due to circumstances beyond our control.

LOCAL RESTRICTIONS

Please note that as a result of specific local regulations the performance of this product may vary from country to country. Please consult the local Product Data Sheet for the exact description of the application fields.

ECOLOGY, HEALTH AND SAFETY

For information and advice on the safe handling, storage and disposal of chemical products, users shall refer to the most recent Safety Data Sheet (SDS) containing physical, ecological, toxicological and other safety-related data.

DIRECTIVE 2004/42/CE LIMITATION OF EMISSIONS OF VOC

According to the EU-Directive 2004/42, the maximum allowed content of VOC (Product category IIA / j type sb) 500 g/l (Limit 2010) for the ready to use product. The maximum content of Sikafloor®-160 is < 500 g/l VOC for the ready to use product.

LEGAL NOTES

The information, and, in particular, the recommendations relating to the application and end-use of Sika products, are given in good faith based on Sika's current knowledge and experience of the products when

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