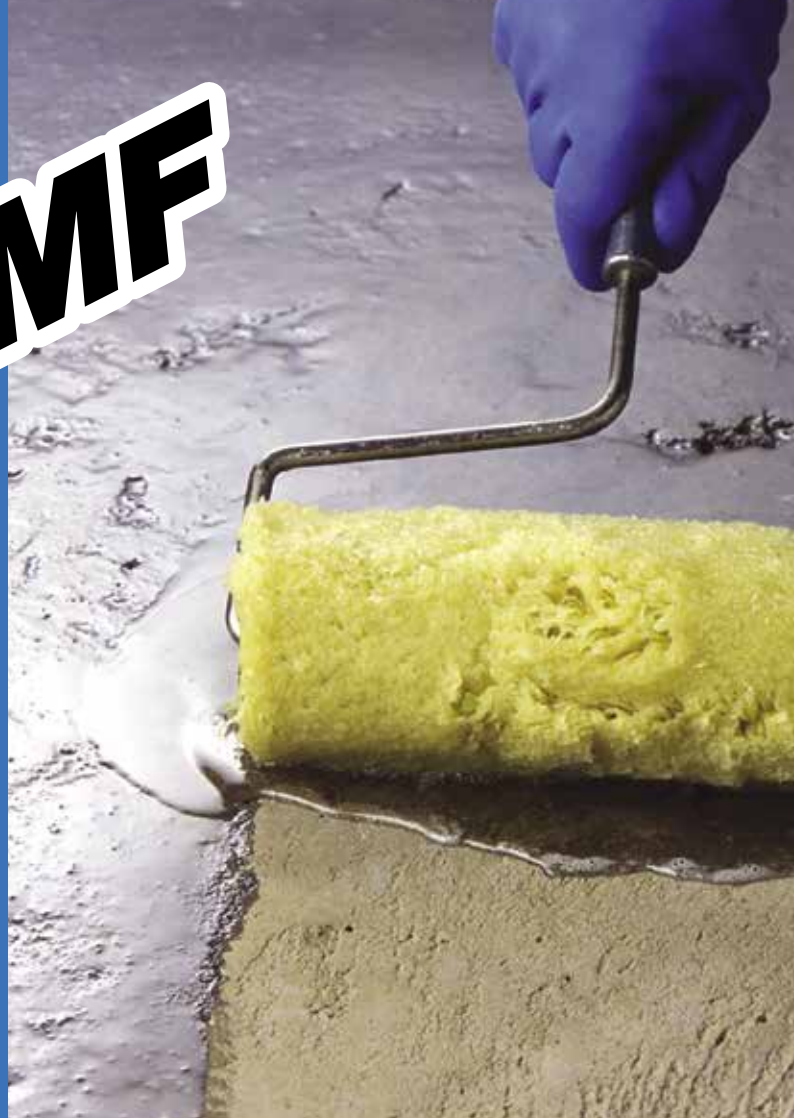




# Primer MF



## Epoxy moisture barrier for cementitious substrates



### WHERE TO USE

Application on concrete slabs and screeds (7 days old) with high moisture and high pH before the installation of floorings sensitive to humidity such as timber, rubber or vinyl. **Primer MF** can be applied to substrates with moisture up to 6% CM (measured with Carbide hygrometer - UNI 10329) or relative moisture up to 100% RH (measured with in situ probe test - ASTM F2170 - BS 8203).

Application to consolidate inconsistent and/or weak substrates.

### Some application examples

- Application, prior the laying of flooring sensitive to moisture, to stop moisture related problems of concrete or cementitious screeds.
- Consolidation of weak cementitious substrates.
- Dustproof treatment over inconsistent cementitious or dried gypsum-based underlayments.
- Binder for mixing with quartz to realize synthetic mortar for small smoothing and repair operations.

### TECHNICAL CHARACTERISTICS

**Primer MF** is a two-component product, 100% solid epoxy resin, solvent free, with low viscosity and high penetration capability in the pores of the substrates. Because of the total absence of solvents, **Primer MF** is not flammable and has a light odour, typical of resin based products, therefore it can be used in building sites situated near inhabited environments (e.g. apartments, schools, offices, ecc.). After the

application and the polymerisation of the resins, the permeability of the substrate is strongly reduced and, in the meantime, it becomes sound, stronger and more resistant to abrasion.

### RECOMMENDATION

- Do not dilute **Primer MF** with water or solvents.
- Do not use on wet surfaces.
- Do not use **Primer MF** over smoothing or levelling compounds.
- Do not use acids to clean substrates where the product has to be applied.
- The product is suitable for consolidating heated screeds and anhydrite substrates, but it cannot be used as a moisture blocker on these substrates. Therefore, make sure that these kinds of substrates have completely dried before applying **Primer MF**. A cementitious substrate is normally considered dry for values of humidity up to 2.5% CM or up to 75% R.H.
- For subsequent levelling applications over 10mm in thickness and to ensure a good bonding of levelling compounds or adhesives over the surface treated with **Primer MF**, sprinkle a layer of **Quartz 1.2** or clean, dry sand of the right size on the product while it is still fresh. The remaining sand that is not well bonded must be removed before carrying out further application, after the polymerisation of **Primer MF**. When laying timber flooring directly on substrates treated with **Primer MF** that have not been sprinkled

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with sand, use reactive polyurethane adhesives, epoxy polyurethane or silitated polymer-based adhesives such as **Ultrabond Eco S955 1K**.

- If direct bonding PVC, vinyl or rubber over **Primer MF**, use **Ultrabond ECO MS 4 LVT** or **Ultrabond ECO MS 4 LVT Wall**.
- If **Primer MF** has not been sprinkled with sand and has already set with a final shiny surface, the surface must be treated after 4 hours (or when dry to the touch) and not later than 24 hours with **Eco Prim T Plus** before the application of smoothing compounds.
- To avoid condensation on the surface of the product during its polymerisation, the substrate temperature at time of installation must be at least 3°C above the dew point.

## APPLICATION PROCEDURE

### Preparing the substrate

The substrate must be clean, sound, free of oil, wax, dirt or any other contaminant that can compromise the adhesion. The substrate must be cured, not subject to hygrometric shrinkage. Concrete must have reached a minimum tensile strength of 1.05 MPa. All cement laitance, such as anti-evaporating agents, on surface must be completely removed with a mechanical abrasion.

For direct application without mechanical profiling, the surface must be porous, concrete surface profile (CSP) of #2 to #3, and be in pristine condition with no contamination present. If these conditions are not present before the application of **Primer MF** the surface must be mechanically profiled using dustless, engineer-approved methods to obtain a CSP of #2 to #3.

Cracks and surface crazing must be opened and then sealed with **Eporip** or **Eporip Turbo** to eliminate unevenness. MAPEI cannot be responsible against the appearance of cracks or debonding that result from subsequent substrate movement of any kind.

The product can be applied as moisture barrier to cementitious substrates with no standing water on the surface and with humidity up to 6% CM or 100% R.H.

Please note that high level of humidity (above 6% CM or 98% RH) could be determined by external water infiltration due, for example, to an incorrect design of the drainage, of the waterproofing or sealing, to leaks, broken pipes, etc. Before proceeding to the application of **Primer MF**, it is then necessary to verify the absence of such type of situations.

### Applying over green concrete

During installations on green concrete, continued shrinkage in the substrate during cure may lead to the formation of cracks that will break the **Primer MF** membrane and breach the moisture barrier. Cracks generated by substrate movement are not covered by the MAPEI warranty.

## Preparing the product

The two components of **Primer MF** are supplied pre-measured: component A: 3 parts by weight; component B: 1 part by weight. The components must be mixed together with a low speed mixer until a uniform mix is obtained.

## Application of the product

### • For consolidating

Apply **Primer MF** with a roller, a brush or flat trowel in 2 coats at least, waiting about 3 hours between each coat. Do not wait more than 12-24 hours between each application in order to guarantee that there is a perfect bond between each coat.

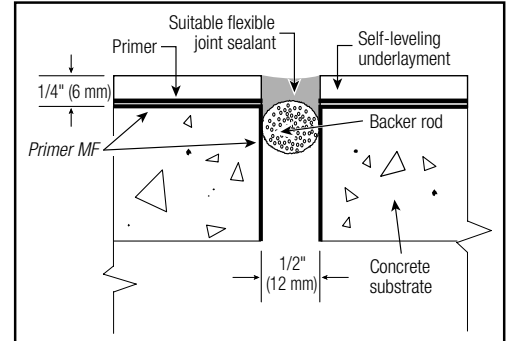
### • As a moisture vapour barrier

To use **Primer MF** as a moisture control coating it is necessary to apply it in a continuous layer in a fairly constant thickness. One coat can be sufficient over concrete substrates providing there is a continuous dry film. The treated area should be assessed before further applications. Screeds such as **Mapecem** and **Topcem** will require two (2) coats.

Examine the surface immediately after the application to assure complete, uniform coverage without missed areas.

### • For expansion, movement and isolation joint treatment

See the following diagram.



## Cleaning

**Primer MF** can be cleaned from tools and clothing with ethyl alcohol while the product is still fresh.

## COVERAGE

0.200-0.400 kg/m<sup>2</sup> each coat, depending on the evenness and absorption of the substrate (7.5 to 15 m<sup>2</sup> per 6 kg unit).

## PACKAGING

The product is available in a 6kg (component A 4.5 kg + component B 1.5 kg) units.

## STORAGE

The product is stable for 24 months when stored in a cool, dry sheltered place. Protect from frost.

## TECHNICAL DATA (typical values)

### PRODUCT IDENTITY

	component A	component B
<b>Colour:</b>	transparent yellow	transparent yellow
<b>Density (g/cm<sup>3</sup>):</b>	1.12	1.00
<b>Brookfield viscosity (mPa·s):</b>	350 (# 2 - rpm 50)	150 (# 2 - rpm 50)

### APPLICATION DATA

<b>Mix ratio:</b>	component A : component B = 3 : 1
<b>Consistency of mix:</b>	liquid
<b>Colour:</b>	transparent
<b>Density (g/cm<sup>3</sup>):</b>	1.1
<b>Brookfield viscosity (mPa·s):</b>	300 (# 2 - rpm 50)
<b>Maximum permissible humidity to use as moisture barrier:</b>	6% CM (carbide hygrometer - UNI 10329) 100% RH (in situ probe test - ASTM F2170 - BS 8203)
<b>Permeability to water vapour (ASTM E96-05):</b>	< 0.1 perm at DFT (dry film thickness) ≥ 0.25 mm
<b>Reduction of moisture vapor (ASTM E96-05):</b>	> 96% at 0.25 mm DFT
<b>Resistance to high alkalinity pH 14 (ASTM D1308):</b>	no effect
<b>Application temperature range:</b>	from +10°C to +30°C
<b>Workability</b> – at +10°C: – at +23°C: – at +30°C:	180 minutes 60 minutes 45 minutes
<b>Set to light foot traffic</b> – at +10°C: – at +23°C: – at +30°C:	24 hours 12 hours 9 hours
<b>Final curing at +23°C:</b>	7 days

### FINAL PERFORMANCE

<b>Resistance to moisture:</b>	excellent
<b>Adhesion to concrete (N/mm<sup>2</sup>):</b>	> 3 (failure in the substrate)
<b>Temperature when in use:</b>	from -5°C to +80°C

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## SAFETY INSTRUCTION FOR PREPARATION AND INSTALLATION

Primer MF components A and B may cause sensitisation if they come in contact with the skin of those predisposed.

Primer MF component A is irritant for the eyes and skin. Component B is corrosive and may cause burns. The product contains low molecular weight epoxy resins that may cause sensitisation if cross-contamination occurs with other epoxy compounds. When applying the product use protective gloves and goggles and take the usual precautions for handling chemicals. If the product comes in contact with the eyes or skin, wash immediately with plenty of water and seek medical attention. When the product reacts, it generates considerable heat. After mixing components A and B we recommend applying the product as soon as possible and to never leave the container unguarded until it is completely empty.

Primer MF components A and B are also hazardous for aquatic life. Do not dispose of these products in the environment. For further and complete information about the safe use of our product please refer to the latest version of our Material Safety Data Sheet.

PRODUCT ONLY FOR PROFESSIONAL USE.

## WARNING

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