



Description

The LABSHIELD ECO is a 100% solid, non-yellowing, odourless two-component polyaspartic coating used with vinyl flakes. The LABSHIELD ECO is used as a colored base coat and a clear topcoat using a common hardener. A version with a prolonged working time (+) and one providing fast curing (-) are available. The system provides a quick turnaround allowing the installation in a single day as a very fast return to service. The product displays excellent curing capability even at very low temperature levels. This product offers superior mechanical and chemical properties and is low maintenance. It also displays a superior aesthetic finish and excellent UV stability which makes it optimal for interior and exterior applications. We recommend the utilization of the LABTEC Vinyl Chips in combination with LABFAST/LABSHIELD products. Two- or three-coat systems can be considered.

Uses

The chemical and mechanical properties of LABSHIELD ECO provide excellent results for several applications:

- + Garages
- + Other residential applications
- + Commercial centers
- + Office buildings
- + Retail stores
- + Manufacturing facilities
- + Food processing and preparation plants
- + Public facilities including hospitals and schools
- + Pharmaceutical companies
- + Other commercial uses

Advantages

- + Solvent-free, no/minimal odor
- + Zero VOC, 100% solids
- + Potential for LEED eligibility
- + Non-yellowing
- + Excellent impact and abrasion resistance
- + High elongation
- + Easy to use 2A:1B system with common hardener for the base coat and topcoat
- + Possibility to install base coat and top coat in a single workday
- + Cures quickly - recommended to obtain best curing at very low temperature levels (below -10°C /14°F)
- + Optimal for exterior applications
- + (+) version offers longer working time of approx. 25 min.
- + Possible to install two- or three-coat systems
- + Easy to install due to the very low viscosity of the product
- + Very long recoat window

- + Excellent chemical and mechanical resistance
- + Impermeability / low moisture sensitivity
- + Superior gloss finish
- + High density of the product prevents dirt penetration resulting in low maintenance

Application Data

Mix Ratio	2A:1B	
Packaging	3 US gallon kits (3 x 3.78L) 15 US gallon kits (3 x 18.9L)	
Color	Clear	
Solids Coverage / US GAL	Mils	Sq. Ft.
	6	267
	7	229
	8	200
	9	178
	10	160
	11	145
	12	133
	13	123
	14	114
	15	107
	16	100
Shelf Life	Six months, in original unopened factory pails under normal storage conditions.	
Application Temperature	Min -10°C / 14°F, Max 30°C / 86°F	
Cure Time	22°C / 72°F and 50% Rel. Hum.	
Version	ECO -	ECO +
Working time	15 min	25 min
Tack Free	2 h	4 h
Recoat	2 h - 24 h	4 h - 24 h
Dry Through	6 h	8 h
Foot Traffic	24 h	24 h
Light Traffic	48 h	48 h
Full Cure	2 weeks	2 weeks



Technical Properties

Version	ECO -	ECO +
Hardness ASTM D2240 Shore D at maturity	60	60
Abrasion (1000 cycles) ASTM D4060	-	35 mg loss
Pull Off Test ASTM D4541	≈3 Mpa	≈3 Mpa
Solids Content	100%	100%
Viscosity	400 +/-50 cps	400 +/-50 cps
VOC Content	38 g/l	38 g/l
Elongation ASTM D412	25%	25%
Tensile Strength ASTM D412	-	>3500, <5000 psi
DE 500 hr ASTM 3424	<2.0	<2.0
Gardner Impact (Dir/Rev)	>160 lbs	>160 lbs

Surface Preparation

Concrete should be clean, dry and free of grease, oil, paint, curing agents or any contaminants that may inhibit proper adhesion. Concrete should be cured at least 28 days before applying the coating system. If the concrete slab has been installed within 28 days, the LABPOX MVB moisture mitigation system could be considered system (refer to the LABPOX MVB technical data sheet for application details).

Proper testing procedures should be practiced with regards to soil acidity and moisture vapor transmission. Take a pH reading to ensure concrete is neutral (a reading between 5 and 9 is acceptable). Use a Tramex® CME / CMExpert to measure the moisture content of the concrete slab. Moisture content must be below 4% before applying the product. It is necessary to take several measurements at various places on the slab. If the reading is higher than 4%, steps will be required to neutralize the soil moisture. The first thing to do is to make sure that the floor is completely dry before application. Floors with higher results can receive the LABPOX MVB moisture mitigation.

Surface must be shot blasted or prepared with an equivalent mechanical means in line with CSP-2 or more depending on the application. Ensure the surface is free of contaminants, and the pores are open to allow the product to penetrate.

If the product is applied to an existing LABFAST/LABSHIELD flake flooring system that has been cured for more than 24 hours (at 22°C / 72°F), the floor surface should be sanded properly until a matte appearance is reached above and between the flakes. To achieve this result, we recommend the use of a sander equipped with a sponge pad which will follow

the profile of the surface and allow the sandpaper to reach the low points between the flakes. It is necessary to sand in a multidirectional way. Repeat until a matte finish is achieved on the entire floor. It is also necessary to use xylene to remove all dust after sanding and to soften the existing layer so that it can bond with the new layer. The use of xylene for this task is mandatory as it will soften the previous coat for better adhesion. The xylene must be completely evaporated before applying the next coat.

If the product is applied over an existing LABPOX flooring system that has been cured for a period longer than 24 hours, it should be sanded with a proper floor machine. A mechanical bound to a sanded surface is required and the pores of the existing coating must be opened for better adhesion. Vacuum dust and properly wipe the surface with alcohol prior applying the LABSHIELD ECO. Conduct adhesion tests if there is a doubt about surface preparation.

Once cured, the base coat with the flakes should be scraped and cleaned after appropriate hardness is reached prior applying the top coat.

Mixing

Before final mixing, pre-mix part A at low speed using a Jiffy® or an Exomixer® mixer blade. Special attention must be paid to colored versions of the product since pigments may have separated from the rest of the formulation during storage. Mixing should be done until the color is uniform.

Then, using a Jiffy® or an Exomixer® mixer blade, mix two parts of A and one part of B together at low speed in a separate container. The mixing container must be clean and free of any outside particle. Mix thoroughly for a minimum of three minutes, until a completely homogeneous mixture is obtained. Use a low-speed drill (300-450 rpm) to minimize the entrapping of air. It is recommended to activate the mixer in the reverse mode after 90 seconds for the liquid to mix from the bottom of the mixing can to the top. Make sure to scrap sides and bottom of mixing container so no unmixed material remains. Mix only the necessary quantity to be used according to the specified pot life / working time.

Application

Best results will be obtained between -10°C / 14°F and 30°C / 86°F, with a relative humidity of less than 80%. This product will also cure at temperatures well below 0°C / 32°F. If a heated floor is installed, ensure that the system is turned off during application and for the full duration of the cure. The product has been especially designed to adhere to concrete surfaces.

Once the surface has been properly prepared, squeegee and back roll the product. It is recommended to apply the product in a multi-directional (north-south, east-west) motion to ensure proper coating thickness.

The following flake systems can be considered:

2-Coats System		3-Coats System		
Base Coat + LABTEC Chips	Top Coat	Base Coat 1	Base Coat 2 + LABTEC Chips	Top Coat
8-13 mils	8-13 mils	4-9 mils	4-9 mils	8-13 mils

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We recommend the LABTEC Vinyl Chips when installing a flake system. Do not exceed a thickness of 30 mils for the entire system as solvent entrapment or lingering odors may occur following the installation. The color of the base coat should match the type of flake blend used. With that regards, Labsurface has made recommendations in the LABTEC Vinyl Chips section of this document.

It is also possible to use the LABSHIELD ECO as a protective coat over epoxy. In addition to the superior chemical resistance and cleanability, the LABSHIELD ECO also provides additional UV protection that will significantly slow the yellowing of epoxy over time. Pre-tint colored versions of the LABSHIELD ECO can also be used as a protective coat. Please note the LABTEC Universal Pigment Pods are not compatible with the LABSHIELD ECO. When used as a protective layer on epoxy, a thickness of 10 mils is recommended.

Proper tests should be conducted prior application. Contact a Labsurface representative for additional information.

Recoat

If the product is applied to an existing LABFAST/LABSHIELD flooring system that has been cured for more than 24 hours (at 22°C / 72°F), the floor surface should be sanded properly until a matte appearance is reached above and between the flakes. To achieve this result, we recommend the use of a sanding machine equipped with a soft sanding pad which will follow the profile of the surface and allow the sandpaper to reach the low points between the flakes. It is necessary to sand in a multidirectional way. Repeat until a matte finish is achieved on the entire floor. It is also necessary to use xylene to remove all dust after sanding and to soften the existing layer so that it can bond with the new layer. The use of xylene for this task is mandatory. Make sure the solvent is completely evaporated and there are no residues. In case there are remaining residues, wipe the surface using a dry rag or swab.

Limitations

Requires a dry substrate. Moisture content of the substrate must be measured with a Tramex® CME / CMExpert at must be below 4% before applying the product. This product should not be applied to concrete substrates that show high levels of moisture/humidity unless a moisture LABPOX MVB moisture mitigation system is used. The LABTEC Universal Pigment Pods are not compatible with the LABSHIELD ECO. Everything else being equal, thicker is the film, longer is the curing time. Drying time will be faster in a hot and/or humid environment. Conversely, the drying time will be longer in a cold and/or dry environment. Do not clean the finished surface during the week following installation. Keeping the product stored at room temperature.

Labsurface stands behind the quality of its products. However, Labsurface cannot guarantee results since Labsurface has no control over surface preparation, operating conditions and application procedures. Clients are solely responsible to test Labsurface’s products to determine if they perform as expected.

To meet our strict requirements, we are continuously testing our coatings and on occasion, formulations may be modified to improve certain properties within each coating. Information and data included in this reference document may not be up to date as of the date of reference. Contact Labsurface for further information regarding the limitations of this product.

Available Colors






Available Pre-Tint Colors: Grey, Tan, Black, White

LABTEC Vinyl Chips




Signature LABTECH Chips 1/4"

 BEAN Pre-tint Color: Tan Pods Suggestions: Beechwood, Sand, Tan, Black	 CABIN FEVER Pre-tint Color: Grey Pods Suggestions: Light Concrete	 CREEKBED Pre-tint Color: Tan Pods Suggestions: Beechwood, Sand, Tan, Light Concrete
 DARKSIDE Pre-tint Color: Black Pods Suggestions: Stone Concrete, Black	 DOMINO Pre-tint Color: Grey Pods Suggestions: Light Concrete, Black, White	 GRAVEL Pre-tint Color: Grey Pods Suggestions: Light Concrete, Dark Concrete, White
 GUNFLINT Pre-tint Color: Tan Pods Suggestions: Beechwood, Sand, Tan, Black	 MANDRAS Pre-tint Color: Grey Pods Suggestions: Light Concrete, Dark Concrete	 NIGHTFALL Pre-tint Color: Grey Pods Suggestions: Mid Concrete, Dark Concrete, Light Concrete, Black
 ORBIT Pre-tint Color: Grey Pods Suggestions: Light Concrete, Mid Concrete, Black	 OUTBACK Pre-tint Color: Tan Pods Suggestions: Beechwood, Beige, Sand, Tan, Black	 RAINSTORM Pre-tint Color: Grey Pods Suggestions: Light Concrete, White
 SHORELINE (CAMEL) Pre-tint Color: Tan Pods Suggestions: Tan, Sand	 STAMPEDE Pre-tint Color: Grey Pods Suggestions: Light Concrete, Mid Concrete, Stone Concrete, Black, White	 STORM Pre-tint Color: Grey Pods Suggestions: Light Concrete, Mid Concrete, Black, White
 TIDAL WAVE Pre-tint Color: Grey Pods Suggestions: Light Concrete, Dark Concrete, White	 WOMBAT Pre-tint Color: Grey Pods Suggestions: Light Concrete, Mid Concrete, Black, White	 WOODCLIFF Pre-tint Color: Tan Pods Suggestions: Beechwood, Sand, Beige, Tan, Dark Concrete

Marble LABTECH Chips

 BASALT Pre-tint Color: Grey Pods Suggestions: Light Concrete, Mid Concrete, Dark Concrete	 SCHIST Pre-tint Color: Grey Pods Suggestions: Light Concrete, White	 DOLERITE Pre-tint Color: Grey Pods Suggestions: Stone Concrete, Mid Concrete, Dark Concrete
 PUMICE Pre-tint Color: Grey Pods Suggestions: Sand, Light Concrete	 OBSIDIAN Pre-tint Color: Grey Pods Suggestions: Tan, Mid Concrete, Stone Concrete, Dark Concrete, Light Concrete	

Terrazo LABTECH Chips

 DENALI Pre-tint Color: Grey Pods Suggestions: Stone Concrete, Mid Concrete, Light Concrete	 JUNEAU Pre-tint Color: Grey Pods Suggestions: Stone Concrete, Mid Concrete, Light Concrete	 ARMADILLO Pre-tint Color: Grey Pods Suggestions: Stone Concrete, Beechwood
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Refer to the most recent Material Safety Data Sheet prior using this product.

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Signature LABTECH Chips 1/16"

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