



**SECTION 09 05 61.13  
MOISTURE VAPOR EMISSION CONTROL**

**PART 1 GENERAL**

**1.01 SUMMARY**

- A. Section includes: Provide a fluid-applied, epoxy resin-based, film-forming system that is designed to control the moisture-vapor-emission rate of higher-moisture, interior concrete to receive flooring systems.

**1.02 RELATED SECTIONS**

- A. Section 033000 – Cast-In-Place Concrete
- B. Section 090000 – Finishes
- C. Section 096723 – Resinous Flooring

**1.03 SUBMITTALS**

- A. Submit under provisions of Section 013300.
- B. Product Data: Submit manufacturer's product data sheets on each product and system to be used including:
  - 1. Preparation instructions and recommendations.
  - 2. Storage and handling requirements.
  - 3. Installation methods.
  - 4. Maintenance requirements.
- C. Selection Samples: For each system specified, provide two sets of samples and color charts, representing manufacturer's full range of colors and patterns

**1.04 QUALITY ASSURANCE**

- A. All materials used in the moisture vapor emission control system shall be manufactured and provided by a single manufacturer to ensure compatibility and proper bonding.
- B. Use adequate numbers of skilled workmen thoroughly trained and experienced in the necessary crafts and completely familiar with the specified requirements and methods needed for proper performance of the work of this section.
- C. Contractor shall have a minimum of 3 years experience installing moisture vapor emission control systems for floors, similar to that which is required for this project and who is acceptable to the manufacturer.
  - 1. Applicator shall designate a single individual as project foreman who shall be on site at all times during installation.
  - 2. Contractor must show and have QCA Qualified Contractor/Applicator paperwork from the manufacturer of the coating system, as required to obtain a long-term jobsite specific warranty.
- D. Convene a pre-application meeting before the start of application of coating system. Require attendance of parties directly affecting work of this section, including: Architect, contractor, applicator, and authorized representative of the coating system manufacturer and interfacing trades. Review the following:
  - 1. Drawings and specifications affecting work of this section.
  - 2. Protection of adjacent surfaces.
  - 3. Surface preparation and substrate conditions.
  - 4. Application.
  - 5. Field quality control.
  - 6. Protection of coating system.
  - 7. Repair of coating system.

8. Coordination with other work.

1.05 DELIVERY, STORAGE & HANDLING

- A. Delivery: Materials shall be delivered to the job site in sealed, undamaged containers. Each container shall be clearly marked with manufacturer's label showing type of material, color, and lot number.
- B. Storage: Store all materials in a clean, dry place with a temperature range in accordance with manufacturer's instructions.
- C. Handling: Handle products carefully to avoid damage to the containers. Read all labels and Material Safety Data Sheets prior to use.

1.06 PROJECT SITE CONDITIONS

- A. Maintain environmental conditions (temperature, humidity, and ventilation) within the limits recommended by the manufacturer.
- B. All concrete should be tested for moisture before applying a seamless coating. EC-15 Moisture Vapor Barrier is recommended for use on floors with moisture up to 15 lbs./1000 square feet / 24 hours (ASTM F1869) or 95% RH (ASTM F2170).
- C. Concrete must be at least 3000 psi.
- D. Concrete must be cured for a minimum of 7-10 days before coating is applied.
- E. Schedule coating work to avoid excessive dust and airborne contaminants. Protect work areas from excessive dust and airborne contaminants during coating application.
- F. Before any work is started, the applicator shall examine all surfaces for any deficiencies. Should any deficiencies exist, the architect, owner or general contractor shall be notified in writing and any corrections necessary shall be made.

1.07 WARRANTY

- A. Upon completion of the work in this section provide a written warranty from the manufacturer against defects of materials for a period of 1 (one) year. To obtain project specific warranty the coating system applicator must be a Westcoat Qualified Contractor/ Applicator and apply for warranty.

**PART 2 PRODUCTS**

2.01 MANUFACTURERS

- A. Acceptable manufacturer: Westcoat Specialty Coatings; 4007 Lockridge Street, San Diego, CA 92102. Telephone 800-250-4519. Fax 619-255-7187. Web Site: [www.westcoat.com](http://www.westcoat.com).

2.02 MATERIALS

- A. As basis of design Westcoat EC -15 Moisture Vapor Barrier (no substitutions will be accepted): 100% solids moisture tolerant and diluent free epoxy floor coating system.

2.03 COMPONENTS

- A. Moisture Vapor Barrier: 100% Solids Epoxy.
  - 1. EC-15 Moisture Vapor Barrier: 80-100 square feet per gallon for a one coat application. A minimum of 16 mils (DFT) is required.

2.04 ACCESSORIES

- A. Supplemental Materials:
  - 1. Cementitious Topping Finish: Cementitious Toppings require a primer and sand broadcast to ensure proper adhesion. Westcoat's EC-12 Epoxy Primer and a #20-#30 sand broadcast till refusal, can be applied directly over the EC-15 within 24 hours of application.

2. Resinous Flooring Finish: Resinous Flooring Systems can be applied directly over the EC-15 within 24 hours of application.
3. Patching materials shall be EC-15 and CA-04 Epoxy Thickener for dormant (non-moving) crack and joints.
4. Backer rod and appropriate joint filler material shall be used for moving cracks and joints.

## **PART 3 EXECUTION**

### **3.01 EXAMINATION**

- A. Verification of Conditions.
  1. Inspect all surfaces to receive epoxy flooring. The surface must be structurally sound, clean, dry and free of grease, paint, oil, dust, curing agents, laitance or any foreign material that will prevent proper adhesion.
  2. Conduct calcium chloride testing according to ASTM F1869 and relative humidity testing according to ASTM F2170.
  3. Before starting work, report in writing to the authority having jurisdiction any unsatisfactory conditions.

### **3.02 SURFACE PREPARATION**

- A. Prepare surfaces using methods recommended by the manufacturer for achieving the best result for the substrate under the project conditions.
- B. Prepare concrete to a profile equal to CSP 3-4 as specified by ICRI.
- C. Clean Surfaces thoroughly prior to installation.
- D. Rout and clean moving cracks and joints. Treat all moving cracks per manufacturer's recommendations.
- E. Repair any non-moving surface deviations with manufacturer's recommended patching material.

### **3.03 INSTALLATION**

- A. Install coatings in accordance with manufacturer's instructions.
- B. Mix multi-component materials in accordance with manufacturer's instructions.
- C. Use application equipment, tools, and techniques in accordance with manufacturer's instructions.
- D. Uniformly apply coatings at spread rates and in number of coats to achieve specified mil thickness recommended by the manufacturer.
- E. Adhere to all limitations, instructions, and cautions for epoxy coating as stated in the manufacturer's published literature.

### **3.04 FIELD QUALITY CONTROL**

- A. Verify coatings and other materials are as specified.
- B. Verify coverages of the system as work progresses. Areas found not to meet the required thickness shall receive additional material until specified thickness is attained.
- C. Manufacturer's representative shall provide technical assistance and guidance for surface preparation and application of coating systems.

### **3.05 PROTECTION AND CLEAN-UP**

- A. Prohibit traffic on floor for 48 hours after installation. Avoid heavy abrasion and chemical exposure for 5 days. Allow 72 hours minimum for vehicular traffic.
- B. Protect finished surfaces of coating system from damage during construction.
- C. Touch-up, repair or replace damaged flooring system after substantial completion.
- D. Clean area and remove all debris upon completion of work. Dispose of empty containers properly according to current Local, State and Federal regulations.

### 3.06 MAINTENANCE

- A. Contractor shall provide to owner, maintenance and cleaning instructions for the floor system upon completion of work. Owner is required to clean and maintain the surfaces to maintain manufacturer's warranty.

#### **END OF SECTION**

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