

# RD Primer

Fast Drying Primer for D Concrete

## **PRODUCT DESCRIPTION:**

Coval Primer is a fast-drying, acetone-based acrylate sealer designed as the base coat to **RD**. The porosity on the surface of concrete can vary from one area to another. For this reason, we recommend using Coval Primer to seal the concrete so that when the Coval Concrete is applied, it will have a uniform consistency. It will also reduce the amount of Coval Concrete used because you are not losing material that is seeping into the surface pores. You can add a stain into the primer if you are looking for a colored finish. Contact us for recommendations on the type of stain we recommend.

## **RECOMMENDED USES:**

- Primer for Coval Concrete
- Can also be used to Prime rusted metal before applying Metal Coat

## **PRODUCT CHARACTERISTICS:**

Color: Clear to slight amber to rose (depending on temp and humidity) always dries clear.  
Finish: Enhancing  
Vehicle Type: Solvent Base  
Flash Point: (C Penskey-Martens closed cup) -20C/-4F CC  
VOC: <20 g/ltr  
Weight: 6.7lb/gallon  
Dry Time: 10-20 minutes  
Breathable: Yes

(Drying Time at 77 Deg F & 50% Relative Humidity)

## **SCAQMD & PROP 65**

Coval Primer contains less than 100 g/L VOC and exceeds SCAQMD Rule 1113 requirements, the highest air quality control standards in the United States. Coval Primer contains no known carcinogens under Proposition 65, California's Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986

## **Coverage:**

| <b>Substrate</b>      | <b>Sq. Ft / gal</b> |
|-----------------------|---------------------|
| Smooth Concrete       | 300-400             |
| Broom Finish Concrete | 250-350             |
| Porous Concrete       | 150-250             |

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| Split Face Block           | 200-250 |
| Fluted Block               | 200-250 |
| Concrete Block             | 200-250 |
| Brick (Clay)               | 150-250 |
| Stucco                     | 250-300 |
| Sandstone, Limestone       | 250-300 |
| Flagstone, Concrete Pavers | 250-300 |
| Unglazed Ceramic/Porcelain | 400-500 |
| Travertine, Tumbled Marble | 300-400 |
| Artificial Stone           | 250-300 |

Coverage will vary depending on the porosity and texture of the substrate and applicator.

### **APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS:**

#### **Surface Preparation:**

Surface must be clean, dry, and in sound condition. Remove all oil, dust, grease, dirt, and other foreign material.

**Recommendation:** If using a concrete stain, it needs to be mixed into Coval Primer 1 hour before application to ensure the powder stain is completely dissolved into the mixture. Mix the stain in when you arrive at the job site and set aside while you clean the floor. Mask off and protect areas that should not be sprayed.

**WARNING:** Do not use on painted surfaces.

#### **Test Area**

Due to the wide variety substrates and the various environments, always test Coval Primer in an inconspicuous location to ensure adhesion and determine that the desired look is achieved. There will be an enhancement or change in appearance from the natural surface.

#### **Product Preparation:**

**IMPORTANT: Remove all existing silicone sealers.** To determine if the surface is sealed with another coating or curing compound, sprinkle water onto surface. If the water is absorbed and the surface becomes darker, it has not been sealed. If the water beads up there is a coating or sealer that must be removed to allow proper penetration. To remove silicone sealers, clean surface, rinse with fresh water and allow to dry.

#### **New Concrete:**

For new concrete, the surface needs to be dried to 13% moisture or less using contact meter method and must be cured at least 7 days from the date of pour. All surfaces need to be cleaned.

*Hard troweled smooth surfaces* need to be abraded or chemically etched to open up the cap and remove the laitance on the concrete surface. A mixture of 50% acetone and 50% water should be used to remove any slurry accumulated in the pores of the surface.

#### **Existing Concrete:**

For existing concrete, the surface must be cleaned of any existing sealers, silicones, & grease. Acid etching or equivalent concrete grinding to uniformly open the pores of the concrete is required for all concrete coatings to perform successfully. A 400-800 grit profile is ideal.

#### **Stone:**

For *new porous natural or artificial stone*, make certain the surface is clean and dry by either lightly power washing or steam cleaning. Allow to dry to 13% or less moisture content using contact meter method.  
For *existing natural or artificial stone*, the surface must be cleaned and stripped of any previous sealers that may contain silicone.

### **APPLICATION TYPES:**

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#### **Spraying**

Stir the sealer thoroughly in the container to re-suspend the particles that have settled to the bottom. Make certain to **re-stir every 15-20 minutes** during the application process to ensure proper performance. This sealer contains acetone to accelerate the dry time. Be sure to keep lid on the container to prevent evaporation.

Coval Primer is best applied with an acetone/alcohol proof pump sprayer fitted with a red fan tip. To apply, hold the fan tip square to the surface being sealed at approximately 10" to 12" above the surface. In a circular motion spray with a light mist. Apply several light coats approximately 2 – 3 minutes apart until the desired look is achieved and the surface is sealed. Extremely porous surfaces may require 3 to 4 applications or more to seal and enhance. Do not try and seal the surface in one thick coat as this will cause air bubbles to appear.

NOTE: When spraying outdoors, make certain there will be no rain for at least 5 minutes after anticipated completion time. If there is high wind, this will affect the quality of the finish as blowing wind can disrupt the spray pattern from the sprayer and contribute to contamination of the finish. It may be necessary to erect a windscreen to protect the area prior to beginning the coating application.

#### **CAUTION:**

If using spray application method in an enclosed space, make certain to tent off the area being sprayed with plastic tarps to avoid spray dust from traveling and contaminating other surfaces with over spray dust. Tented and enclosed areas always require to be positively supplied with fresh air and have ventilated exhaust to outside using fans. Never spray near any open flame or any possible source of ignition such as pilot light, or anything that may spark, as this may cause ignition and explosion of the fumes and vapors. (In enclosed areas, make sure to have an observer watching the applicator for any signs of physical distress.)

#### **Rolling**

Make certain the surface is clean per preparation instructions. Stir the contents thoroughly to re-suspend the particles that have settled to the bottom. Make certain to **re-stir every 15-20 minutes** during the application process to re-suspend the particles. Use a white, ultra-smooth high-density foam roller (available at most major home improvement stores), pour the Coval Primer into a roller tray, and completely saturate the roller. Apply in a cross-pattern; left to right, then up and down as quickly as possible, since the coating dries fast.

To obtain the best results, do not overwork the coating, as it dries quickly. Do not bear down with the roller. Use light strokes and use the tip of the roller to smooth out the coating.

If applying Coval Primer in an enclosed area, make sure to have an observer watching the applicator for any signs of physical distress.

#### **Brushing**

Make certain the surface is clean per preparation instructions. Stir the contents thoroughly to re-suspend the particles that have settled to the bottom. Make certain to **re-stir every 15-20 minutes** during the application process

to re-suspend the particles. Select the appropriate size brush width based on the surface area being coated. Using only a good quality China bristle brush, apply in a cross-pattern; up and down, then left and right.

To obtain the best results, do not overwork the coating, as it dries quickly. Do not bear down with the brush. Use light strokes using the tip of the brush to smooth out the coating.

If applying Concrete Prima in an enclosed area, make sure to have an observer watching the applicator for any signs of physical distress.

### **Stain Application (optional)**

If using a stain mix for interior or exterior application, put one bottle of stain into to 3 gallons of Coval Primer and let sit 1 hour before applying to ensure the stain is completely dissolved into the mixture. This will provide an average color range. Apply the color in layers to achieve the desired color effect. Follow the same application Instructions above.

### **Coval Concrete Protection**

To protect the enhanced or stained concrete against food and liquid acid etching, apply a coat of Coval Concrete as a topcoat. Coval Concrete is available in gloss, satin, or matte finish. Once desired finish is achieved with Quick Seal & Enhance (with or without stain), wait 5 minutes, then lightly go over the surface with a floor machine and white buffing pad. Wipe up or vacuum any remaining dust or debris. Apply Coval Concrete per datasheet instructions.

### **DRY TIME**

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| Touch:          | 1-2 minutes               |
| Through:        | 5 minutes                 |
| Before applying | Coval Concrete: 5 minutes |
| Full Cure:      | 5 minutes                 |

Drying Time (@ 77 F, 50% RH): Temperature and humidity dependent.

### **INTERRUPTION OF WORK:**

Upon drying, it is possible areas could remain untreated if work is interrupted. It is advisable to stop application on a joint or other obvious marker so the applicator can begin where the application had previously ceased.

### **CLEAN UP**

Clean tools and flush equipment with acetone thoroughly at least twice immediately when finished. **IMPORTANT** - once coating is dry the tools will not clean up with acetone or any other solvent.

### **SAFETY AND ENVIRONMENTAL:**

Always wear OSHA approved 1910.134 and ANSI Z88 2 respiratory protection. Fresh air and exhaust should be provided in enclosed work areas. If inhaled, remove affected person to fresh air and call physician immediately if physical difficulties occur. Wear butyl-rubber gloves and other skin protection to avoid contact. In the event of contact with skin, wash skin thoroughly with soap and water. Chemical safety goggles or splash shields are required. Do not wear contacts without eye protection. Immediately flush eyes with water for 15 minutes after contact and get medical attention. If accidentally swallowed, rinse mouth thoroughly and obtain immediate medical attention. In enclosed areas, make sure to have an observer watching the applicator for any signs of

physical distress. Consult the Safety Data Sheet (SDS) for more information concerning proper Personal Protective Equipment and precautionary measures that are recommended for proper protection while handling this product.