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BUILDING PRODUCT INFORMATION SHEET Sikafloor[®] Level-15

Cementitious self levelling, fast hardening, underlayment for use 0.5 - 15 mm

DESCRIPTION

Sikafloor[®] Level-15 is a one part, polymer modified, pumpable self levelling fast hardening cementitous underlayment for the levelling and smoothing of interior floors prior to the application of the final floor finish.

USES

Sikafloor[®] Level-15 can be applied manually or by pump to level floors at a thickness between 0.5 - 15mm, prior to subsequent finishing with ceramic or stone tiles, linoleum, PVC sheet, wood flooring or carpets etc.

• Levelling of both large and small surfaces

PRODUCT INFORMATION

- Typical uses are in commercial, residential and domestic properties etc.
- Provides a suitable substrate for ceramic, stone or vitrified clay tiles, carpets and wood flooring

Sikafloor $^{\odot}$ Level-15 is compatible with the Sika adhesives used to lay these types of floor finishes.

FEATURES

- Fast application because of the good flow and cohesion of the fresh product
- Easy to place by pump or manual application
- Capable of levelling surfaces from 0.5 to 15 mm
- Reduced shrinkage. Good bond and compaction
- Fast hardening and good drying
- Good surface hardness

APPROVALS / CERTIFICATES

All values indicated are internal test results according to EN 13892-2 and EN 13892-8. Conforms to the requirements of EN 13813 CT - C25 - F6

Product identifier	Sikafloor® Level-15		
Place of manufacture	Aotearoa New Zealand		
Composition	Polymer modified Portland cement		
Packaging	20 kg bags		
Shelf life	Nine (9) months from date of production if stored as stated.		
Storage conditions	Store properly in original, unopened and undamaged sealed packaging in dry conditions at temperat- ures between +5°C and +30°C.		
Appearance and colour	Standard grey powder		
Bulk density	1.02 kg/l ± 0.05 (bulk powder)		
TECHNICAL INFORM	ATION		
Compressive strength	After 24 hours at +20°C	> 15 N/mm ²	(EN 13892-2)
	After 28 days at +20°C	> 25 N/mm ²	

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Flexural strength	After 28 days at +20°C	> 5.0 N/mm ²	(EN 13892-2)	
Tensile adhesion strength	After 28 days at +20°C	> 1.5 N/mm ²	(EN 13892-2)	
SYSTEM INFORMATIO	N			
System structure	Priming: Prime substrate with Sika® Pour on Floor Primer. Can also be primed with Sikafloor®-159 or Sikafloor®-161, broadcast with 0.4 - 0.7mm quartz sand. Please refer to the relevant PDS for recommended applications and details. Levelling: Place to the required thickness 0.5 - 15mm. Sikafloor® Level-15 is particularly suitable for the subsequent application of floor coverings using products from the Sikabond® elastic bonding range or tiling mortars from the SikaCeram® range.			
APPLICATION INFORM	IATION			
Fresh mortar density	1.95 kg/l ± 0.03			
Consumption	~ 1.55 ± 0.1 kg of dry powder/m²/mmThis figure is theoretical and does not include for any addi- tional material required due to surface porosity, surface profile, variations in level or wastage, etc.			
Layer thickness	Minimum: 0.5 mm. Maximum: 15 mm.			
Ambient air temperature	+8°C min. / +30°C max.			
Relative air humidity	~ 75% max.			
Substrate temperature	+8°C min. / +30°C max.			
-	Dew Point: Beware of condensation! The substrate and uncured floor must be at least 3°C above dew point to reduce the risk of condensation, blooming or cement laitance on the floor finish.			
Pot Life	Approx. 25 minutes (+20°C / 50% R.H.)			
	The temperature will affect the pot life. Application at temperatures above +20°C will reduce the pot life and the working time. Temperatures below +20°C will increase the pot life and extend the working time.			
Waiting time to overcoating	Suitable for overcoating after 24 hours in 5mm thickness where 3% (Tramex) substrate moisture content is required. Times are approximate at +23°C and 50% r.h. and will be affected by changing substrate and ambient conditions, particularly the temperature and relative humidity. When over-coating Sikafloor® Level-15 always ensure the moisture content has achieved the required value for the coating product, as the waiting time will vary with application thickness, temperature and ambient humidity. (Refer to the top coat product data sheet.)			
Applied product ready for use	Foot traffic	~ 3 hours	(+20°C and 50%	
	Lightly serviceable	~ 24 hours	r.h.)	
	Fully servicable	~ 7 days		
	Note: Times are approximate and will be affected by changing substrate and ambient conditions, particularly the temperature and relative humidity.			
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BUILDING CODE INFORMATION

Building Code clauses	Note: This product is used for reprofiling floor surfaces before a subsequent finish is overlaid. On its own, is not within the scope of the NZ Building Code. However if it is used under floor finishes that must comply with the Code then it will contribute to meeting the requirements of the following clauses
	B2 Durability: Performance clause B2.3.1 - (b) 15 years
	F2 Hazardous Building Materials: Performance clause F2.3.1
Building Code compliance state- ments	Performance B2.3.1 (b) 15 years: This product has been evaluated in accordance with B2/VM1. It meets this durability requirement and will remain serviceable for 15 years, or more, when installed and maintained in accordance with the relevant Sika technical literature. nzl.sika.com. According to Sika's "Service Improvement" records, maintained within its ISO9001:2015 Quality Management System, this product has performed successfully since it was introduced in 2013.
	Performance F2.3.1: This product meets this requirement when used and applied in accordance with Sika's installation instructions and does not present a health hazard to people occupying or using the building. Refer to the Sika Product Technical Data sheet and product Safety Data Sheet nzl.sika.com for further information if required

BASIS OF PRODUCT DATA

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

IMPORTANT CONSIDERATIONS

- Very absorbent substrates must be saturated with water or primed to prevent loss of the mixing water into the substrate, which can cause problems such as shrinkage, the appearance of surface pores, or weak and dusty surfaces, etc.
- Do not mix with other cements or cement based screeds.
- No loading for at least 3 hours.
- Freshly applied Sikafloor[®] Level-15 must be protected from damp, condensation and water for at least 24 hours.
- Do not exceed the recommended water dosage. Do not add more water when the product is setting.
- Do not exceed the recommended thickness.
- Do not use for direct wheel traffic, external or industrial applications.
- Temperatures below +20°C extend the drying times.
- Sikafloor[®] Level-15 does not provide an aesthetic finish.
 Product must always be overcoated.
- Do not use Sikafloor[®] Level-15 in areas where it can be exposed to moisture, such as below ground floors without an effective damp proof membrane, or externally in any area.
- Not suitable for slopes or inclines > 0.5%.
- Protect from direct sunlight, hot or strong winds and extremes of temperature to avoid cracking or crazing.
- When overcoating with SikaCeram or Sikabond adhesives (or others), additional mechanical surface preparation may be required to remove any cement laitance which may have formed during application.
- For adhesives other than SikaCeram or Sikabond we recommend a test application prior to use.

The thickness of the levelling mortar has to be at least 3mm when using waterbased adhesives under impermeable or vapour tight floor finishes.

 At thicknesses greater than 3mm or with floating screeds an edge strip must be placed to separate the screed from the walls and other construction elements.

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.

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

SUBSTRATE QUALITY

Substrate Moisture Content: The substrate can be in a saturated surface dry condition, but there must be no rising moisture prior to dampening according to ASTM D 4263 (Polyethylene-sheet test). For further information please refer to the Product Data Sheet of the priming system used.

- The concrete substrate must be sound and of sufficient compressive strength (min. 25 N/mm²) with a minimum pull off strength of 1.5 N/mm².
- The surface must be clean, dry and free of all contaminants e.g. dirt, oils, grease, coatings and surface treatments etc. If in doubt apply a test area first.
- Concrete substrates must be prepared mechanically using abrasive blast cleaning or scarifying equipment to remove cement laitance and achieve an open textured surface.
- Weak concrete must be removed and surface defects such as blow holes and voids must be fully exposed.
- Repairs to the substrate, filling of blowholes/voids must be carried out using appropriate products from the SikaTop, Sika MonoTop, Sikafloor, SikaDur and Sikagard range of materials.



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 A suitable one part acrylic primer such as Sika Pour on Floor Primer shall be used to ensure sealing of the substrate, preventing the appearance of bubbles on the underlayment surface and improving the bond to the substrate. Please refer to the relevant PDS. Poor or weak substrates must be primed with Sikafloor-156 or Sikafloor-161 fully broadcast with 0.4 -0.7mm quartz sand.

MIXING

Mixing: When mixing manually, place 4.6 – 4.8 litres of cool, clean water into a suitable sized clean vessel. Add a full bag (20 kg) of Sikafloor[®] Level-15 powder slowly to the water, mixing continuously. Mix thoroughly for a minimum of 3 minutes using a low speed electric stirrer (~ 300 - 400 rpm).

APPLICATION

Pump: Use a conventional floor screed dual stage mixer and pump, and control the water dosage to achieve the required flow, measuring the final average flow diameter on a flat, clean, dry flow table.

Cylinder according to EN	ASTM C 230-90 / EN 1015-3	
12706:2000	Top internal diam: 70mmBot-	
Internal diameter: 30mmHeight:	tom internal diam.: 100mm- Height: 60mm	
50mm		
Flow = 130mm ± 5mm(4.8 litres	Flow = 340mm ± 10mm(4.8	
per 20 kg)	litres per 20 kg)	

After placing onto the surface, apply by trowel or pin screed rake to the required thickness. Roll thoroughly with a spiked roller in two directions to remove any entrapped air.**Manual:**Pour the mixed material onto the primed surface and apply by trowel or pin screed rake to the required thickness. Roll thoroughly with a spiked roller in two directions to remove any entrapped air.

CLEANING OF EQUIPMENT

Clean all tools and application equipment with water immediately after use. Hardened / cured material can only be removed mechanically.

MAINTENANCE REQUIREMENTS

There are no maintenance requirements for this Sika product

LOCAL RESTRICTIONS

Note that as a result of specific local regulations the declared data and recommended uses for this product may vary from country to country. Consult the local Product Data Sheet for the exact product data and uses.

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 properly stored, handled and applied under normal conditions in accordance with Sika's recommendations. In practice, the differences in materials, substrates and actual site conditions are such that no warranty in respect of merchantability or of fitness for a particular purpose, nor any liability arising out of any legal relationship whatsoever, can be inferred either from this information, or from any written recommendations, or from any other advice offered. The user of the product must test the product's suitability for the intended application and purpose. Sika reserves the right to change the properties of its products. The proprietary rights of third parties must be observed. All orders are accepted subject to our current terms of sale and delivery. Users must always refer to the most recent issue of the local Product Data Sheet for the product concerned, copies of which will be supplied on request. It may be necessary to adapt the above disclaimer to specific local laws and regulations. Any changes to this disclaimer may only be implemented with permission of Sika® Corporate Legal in Baar.

The building product/building product line is not subject to warning or ban under section 26 of the Building Act 2004.

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