

Flexcrete Waterproofing Bond Coat



What is a bond coat?

There are many types of bond coating solutions and materials on the market today. They cover both liquid membrane type to cementitious overlays. These bond coat materials are designed to improve adhesion of the finish coat and provide more uniform drying and hydration of the final finish.

What makes Flexcrete different?

FLEXCRETE IS A COMPLETE SYSTEM

Flexcrete manufactures 3 site specific products to waterproof virtually any type of concrete, masonry, gunite, shotcrete or stone substrate. These products are:

- Flexcrete liquid polymer admixture
- Flexcrete white or gray dry goods
- FX-180 stabilizes, densifies and provides chemical resistance to the substrate before and after Flexcrete application.

FLEXCRETE products:

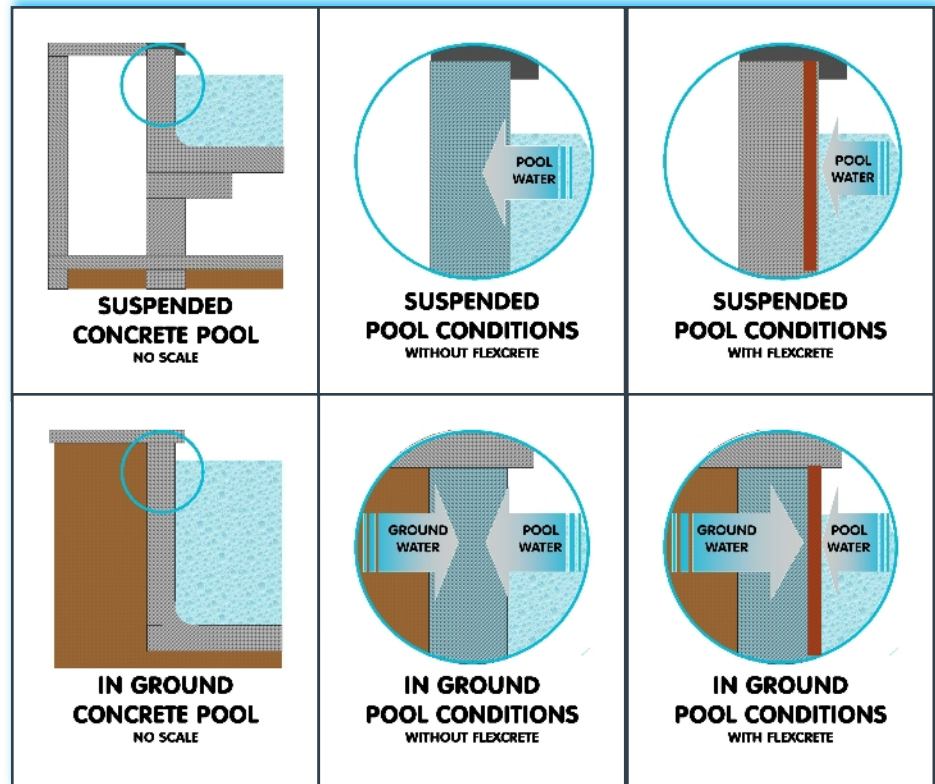
- Stabilizes the substrate
- Creates superior adhesion both mechanically and chemically
- Allows for substrate movement
- Diminishes chemical attack
- Stops efflorescence
- Waterproofs both in negative and positive side applications
- Superior chemical resistance
- No VOC'S/Environmentally Safe

Note: See Technical Data Sheet FC4-2014 for ASTM test data and technical information regarding the Flexcrete Liquid and dry mix. See FX-180 Technical Data Sheet FX4-2014 for ASTM test data and technical information.

FLEXCRETE IS WATERPROOF

Flexcrete's specifically graded aggregates, cements, and proprietary additives in conjunction with Flexcrete's advanced polymer technology and proprietary mixing technology provides a superior waterproof bond coat for all types of pool finishes. Used on high profile pool projects, tanks, reservoirs as the primary waterproofing system. A waterproof bond coat provides uniform curing on the pool plaster by eliminating water suction of the plaster on the bonded surface.

FLEXCRETE SYSTEM WATERPROOFS POOLS IN AND ABOVE THE GROUND



FLEXCRETE IS SUPERIOR ADHESION

Flexcrete's advanced chemical engineering in aqueous polymer dispersions, provides superior adhesion to virtually any surface, making Flexcrete the preferred link between substrates. The polymer formulation in combination with sand/cement will:

- Increase flexibility
- Increase tensile strength
- Increase impact resistance
- Increase abrasion resistance
- Increase acid resistance
- Increase alkali resistance

IN POOLS FLEXCRETE IS SIMPLE AND EASY TO APPLY:



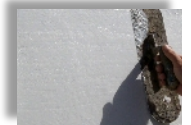
BRUSH



ROLLER



SPRAY



TROWEL

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NEW POOL APPLICATIONS

NEW POOL APPLICATION GUIDELINES:

SURFACE AREAS TO TREAT

This should include the entire interior of the pool including the top of the wall (if possible) and the tile area to eliminate efflorescence at the tile line.

SURFACE PREPARATION

1. Clean all surfaces from any type of debris or laitance (surface particulates) by pressure washing if possible. Specifically if there is rebound left over from shotcrete or gunite type of applications. Vacuum clean all remaining water and residuals from surface. The substrate should be completely sound and free of debris.
2. Once clean and dry, apply **FX-180** with finely misted spray application using a garden type sprayer, to the concrete substrate at approximately 150 to 200 square feet per gallon. Allow to cure overnight.

MIXING FLEXCRETE

1. In a clean dry pail add 1 gallon of **Flexcrete** liquid. (Note: If the liquid can be kept cool or iced down it will improve workability, pot life and ease of application without the use of chemical retarders.) Liquid quantity is adjusted to the desired viscosity.
2. Using a dual bladed mixer as shown slowly add the **Flexcrete** dry powder (or other mixes) to the liquid while mixing the material. The drill should operate at variable speeds so that proper shear and blending takes place.
3. Mix material until a creamy, homogeneous, pancake batter type consistency is achieved. This usually takes 3-5 minutes of continuous mixing.
4. Allow material to set or dwell for a period of 5 minutes to allow the powders to completely wet out. Material will thicken and a slight amount of liquid may be added to return to a creamy consistency. Remix material and it is now ready for application.

FLEXCRETE WATERPROOFING APPLICATION

1. On a clean sound substrate apply potable water to the concrete substrate allowing the moisture to penetrate but not pond. This is considered a saturated surface dry (SSD) condition.
2. By brush, roller, trowel or spray apply the first coat of Flexcrete waterproofing in one direction. Fill all bug holes, honeycomb, pits, voids and surface discrepancies. Allow material to cure overnight.
3. Using the same techniques and methodology, mix Flexcrete for second coat application.
4. Apply the second coat perpendicular or in the opposite direction of the first. Assure that no pinholes exist by second coating the first application. Final application should be broomed or brushed creating a mechanical face for bonding the finish coat or application.

CURE TIME

As a waterproof bond coat Flexcrete can be water tested after 7 days of cure time.

CLEAN UP

All equipment, tools and brushes can be cleaned with water prior to drying. Once cured it is hard, if not impossible to remove.



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EXISTING POOL APPLICATIONS

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SURFACE PREPARATION

1. Sound all surface to assure complete substrate adhesion. Remove any spalls or delaminating materials.
2. Apply **ETCHEX** to existing surface as provided from container with plastic bug or garden type sprayer. Allow to dwell on surface for 10 minutes.
3. Apply **GELTECH** mixed 1-1 with water by spray, scrubbing with acid brush. This neutralizes the **ETCHEX** and emulsifies all dirt, oils and greases.
4. Clean all surfaces from any type of debris or laitance by pressure washing. Vacuum clean all remaining water and residuals from surface. The substrate should be completely sound and free of debris.
5. Fill in all holes, spalls, and delaminated areas with Flexcrete liquid mixed to provide a thicker version of the material to fill voids. Brush the area with the mixed material scrubbing the surface and then fill and profile to match existing surface plane.
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Superior Technology...Superior Performance....



Flexcrete Liquid & FX-180 The Technology Workhorse



As a complete system **FLEXCRETE** offers the contractor, pool builder and remodeler a truly versatile performance package. From surface preparation, to waterproofing, to bond coating, Flexcrete has it all under one roof.

- Our surface preparation materials are the safest on the planet and provide superior performance compared to conventional technology.
- Our **FLEXCRETE** waterproofing bond coat system has superior flexibility and adhesion, eliminating delamination when applied and finished in accordance with site specific guidelines.
- Our **FX-180** product strengthens, stabilizes and unifies concrete prior to **FLEXCRETE** application, improving adhesion and reducing surface absorption. When applied to new concrete surfaces **FX-180** will stop shrink cracking. When applied to cement based pool finishes upon completion of the finish, it will increase acid resistance, staining resistance, alkali resistance and impact from freeze thaw cycles.
- Our **FLEXCRETE** powders are mixed and blended under stringent conditions and quality control to assure the finest aggregates and materials are utilized to maintain a lifetime of performance.
- Our sales team is serious about providing long term high performance products to increase durability and life expectancy while maintaining simplistic and accurate technical and site specific information to our customers.

Flexcrete Comparison

	FLEXCRETE SYSTEM	Standard plaster/Overlays	Standard Overlays w/Flexcrete System
PRONE TO CRACKING	NO Flexcrete is highly flexible	YES Plaster overlays are not flexible and are prone to cracking in the presence of movement	NO because the Flexcrete liquid imparts flexible qualities to the mix.
WATERPROOF	YES Above & below grade as well as negative & positive sides	NO Plaster are porous and permeable.	Yes when used with the Flexcrete System.
MUST CURE UNDER WATER	NO All products are self curing	YES The plaster will crack and shrink if not cured under water.	NO Materials become self curing when Flexcrete products are used.
POROUS -SUSCEPTIBLE TO DISCOLORATION	The materials are 100% UV stable and not affected.	YES The cement paste or binder is porous.	Not when FX-180 and Flexcrete liquid are used.
SENSITIVE TO POOL CHEMICALS	NO when treated with FX-180	Yes when the pH is beyond 7.0 - 7.6 in either direction it can cause discoloration, pitting and etching.	No when treated with FX-180
REQUIRES daily brushing for 3-4 weeks after application	NO when treated with FX-180	YES A tedious and laborious process.	No when treated with FX-180
CAN BE TILED OVER	YES Flexcrete provides the proper substrate for all surfacing.	NO	Yes when Flexcrete products are used.
NSF Approved for potable water	YES with Flexcrete dry mix	NO	NO



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