



# DC400 High Performance Urethane Topcoat

## Topcoat

### PRODUCT DESCRIPTION:

EPIC DC400 is a very high quality aliphatic urethane floor finish that exhibits excellent characteristics for abrasion resistance, chemical resistance, flexibility, weathering and UV stability. The product is available in clear or can be colored at site with pigment. DC400 is designed for use in a wide variety of applications. Excellent in hospitals, auto service centers, warehouses, retail, laboratories, aircraft hangers, cafeterias, and some chemical exposure areas. Kit includes aluminum oxide aggregate which provides greater durability and a semi-gloss finish. This product exhibits low to no odor.

**SOLIDS BY WEIGHT and VOLUME:** Mixed= 93% solids by weight / 92% solids by volume (+,-2%)

**VOLATILE ORGANIC CONTENT:** Less than 95 grams per liter (for colors or clear mixed)

**STANDARD COLORS:** Opaque clear/amber clear with color options using Epic DC400 Urethane Pigment packs. The colorants may be added at the ratio of 1-pint pigment per 1 gallon of blended DC400 (A+B). However, the colorants may not impart a total hide over dissimilar colored base coats and therefore, a base coat must be applied in the same color before applying this product. DC400 Pigment Pack colors: Beige, Black, Brown, Light Blue, Dark Grey, Light Grey, Medium Grey, Off White, SE Camel, Tan, Tile Red, White.

**COVERAGE PER GALLON Kit (colors):** 500-550 square feet per gallon (a gallon kit + pigment = approximately 1.1 gallons and yields 560 square feet actual coverage per colored kit.

**COVERAGE PER GALLON KIT (clear):** 500-550 square feet per gallon kit

**PACKAGING INFORMATION:** 1 and 4 Gallon Kits.

**MIX RATIO:** 1.08# part A with 6.45# part B and 3.0# part C (weights approximate)

**FINISH CHARACTERISTICS:** Semi-gloss (20-40 @ 60 degrees) when blended with Part C aggregate. High gloss (70-90 @ 60 degrees) when mixed clean without Part C aggregate.

**SHELF LIFE:** 6 months in unopened containers.

**ABRASION RESISTANCE:** Taber abrasor CS-17 calibrase wheel with 1000 gram total load and 500 cycles = 15-20 mg loss

**IMPACT RESISTANCE:** Gardner Impact = 160 in. lb. (passed) **FLEXIBILITY:** No cracks on a 1/8" mandrel

**ADHESION:** On a properly prepared epoxy basecoat, the adhesion should exceed 300 psi @ elcometer (concrete failure, no delamination)

**VISCOSITY:** Mixed liquids A/B = 1000-2000 cps (typical)

**DOT CLASSIFICATIONS:** Part A "NA1993, COMBUSTIBLE LIQUID N.O.S., 3, PG III" Part B "ENVIRONMENTALLY HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES, LIQUID, N.O.S., UN3082, 9, PGIII,"

**PRIMER:** A primer is required prior to the use of DC400. For thin mil systems, we recommend priming with DC110 or DC120, DC740 or other suitable Epic primer. When using DC400 in clear, a clear primer is recommended. When using DC400 in color, a colored primer is recommended.

CURE SCHEDULE: (70°)	
Pot Life 1 Gal Vol. (Max time to apply)	1-2 hours
Tack Free (Dry to Touch)	3-6 hours
Recoat or Topcoat	6-10 hours
Light Foot Traffic	14-24 hours
Full Cure (Heavy Traffic)	3-5 days

CHEMICAL RESISTANCE	
Acetic acid 5%	C
Gasoline	D
MEK	B
50% Sodium Hydroxide	D
10% Sulfuric	D
10% Hydrochloric acid	D
20% Nitric acid	C
Ethylene Glycol	D
Rating key: A - not recommended, B - 2 hour term splash spill, C - 8 hour term splash spill, D - 72 hour immersion, E - long term immersion. NOTE: extensive chemical resistance information is available through your sales representative.	

## MIXING AND APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS (DC400)

**PRODUCT STORAGE:** Store product at normal room temperature before using. Storage should be between 60 and 90 degree F.

**SURFACE PREPARATION:** Surface preparation will vary according to the type of complete system to be applied. For a one or two coat thin build system over concrete, (3-10 mils dry) we recommend either mechanical scarification or acid etching until a suitable profile is achieved. For a complete system build higher than 10 mils dry, we recommend a fine brush blast (shot blast). All dirt, oil, dust, foreign contaminants and laitance must be removed to assure a trouble free bond to the substrate. A test should be made to determine that the concrete is dry; this can be done by placing a 4' X 4' plastic sheet on the substrate and taping down the edges. If after 24 hours, the substrate is still dry below the plastic sheet, then the substrate is dry enough to start coating. The plastic sheet testing is also a good method to determine if any hydrostatic pressure problems exist that may later cause disbonding. It is crucial that the epoxy basecoat is thoroughly sanded until the surface is de-glossed and appropriately and thoroughly scratched. It is recommended that a minimum 80 grit paper be used.

**PRODUCT MIXING:** This product consists of two, three or four components, depending on desired finish, durability and color. Parts A and B consist of liquid resin and activator and Part C is a special fine aggregate additive which provides increased abuse and abrasion resistance and also affects finish gloss. The fourth component that can be added is DC400 High Performance Urethane Pigment in order to add color to the product. The finished product exhibits high gloss if Part C is not added and semi-gloss finishes when the aggregate (Part C) is added.

To mix the DC400, Part A should first be mixed with Part B thoroughly. If adding part C, this should be added to blended Parts A and Part B and mixed well to ensure a uniform mixture. The kits come prepackaged and should be used in their entirety and should not be broken down. If a color pack is used, it is recommended that the color pack be combined with the blend of Part A prior to adding the Part B or Part C aggregate. After the three (or four, if color packs are used) parts are combined, mix extremely well with slow speed mixing equipment such as a jiffy mixer until the material is thoroughly mixed and streak free. Avoid whipping air into the coating. Improper mixing may result in product failure. Once the material is opened, it cannot be re-sealed for later use. **Color pigments**, when used in this product, should be added to Part A and blended well with slow speed mixing equipment such as a jiffy mixer. After blending has been completed, add Part B to this mixture and mix well. After mixing A, B and aggregate or color, transfer the mixed material to another pail and again remix. The material is now ready to be applied on the primed substrate. Improper mixing may result in product failure.

**PRODUCT APPLICATION:** Pour the mixed material into the application tray. Apply at the rate of 500-550 square feet per gallon in a uniform manner with a 3/8" nap roller. For uniform appearance, it is critical that the material is not applied thicker than this application rate. Dip the roller in the coating and roll out excess material in the roller tray prior to the actual application to the substrate. Overlap subsequent passes being sure no excess material is applied when overlapping. Make sure the floor has just enough material to cover evenly in a thin application. Finally, re-roll the area in the opposite direction of the first pass applications to level and even the application. The final re-rolling for the entire floor should be in the same direction. Remix the material in the application tray to maintain a uniform mix throughout the application process. If the appearance is not satisfactory, re-roll until the area is uniform in appearance. It is almost impossible to over-roll this material. The last step in the application process (wearing spiked shoes) is to pull the roller tool across the entire slab in one direction without applying any pressure and repeating this process by overlapping until the entire slab has been re-rolled. This will help blend in any roller and overlap marks. Maintain temperatures and humidity within the recommended ranges during the application and during the curing process. Make sure the substrate has a suitable epoxy primer that has been de-glossed (see surface preparation above) It is best to maintain a wet edge to avoid roller marks. Direct sunlight or high temperatures may cause visible roller marking during application. Too thick of an application may result in solvent entrapment and product failure. The Surface must be dry before the application of this product.

**RECOAT OR TOPCOATING:** Multiple coats of this product are not recommended without thoroughly evaluating the adhesion in conjunction with a thorough deglossing. If you opt to apply multiple coats of this product, a test area must be applied to test adhesion before attempting to apply multiple coats over the entire job. If you opt to recoat this product, you must first be sure that all of the solvents have evaporated from the coating during the curing process and properly de-gloss and roughen the surface (see surface preparation above). The information on the front side are reliable guidelines to follow. However, it is best to test the coating before recoating or topcoating. This can be done by pressing on the coating with your thumb to verify that no fingerprint impression is left. Always remember that colder temperatures will require more cure time for the product. Before recoating or topcoating, check the coating to insure no contaminants exist. If contaminants are present on a previous coat, remove with a standard detergent cleaner and allow to thoroughly dry. Although not recommended, when recoating this product with subsequent coats, it is advisable to apply the recoat before 24-48 hours pass only after proper surface preparation and adhesion testing has been completed.

**CLEANUP:** Use ketone solvents or other suitable cleaning solvent

**FLOOR CLEANING:** Caution! Some cleaners may affect the color of the floor installed. Test each cleaner in a small area, utilizing your cleaning technique. If no ill effects are noted, you can continue to clean with the product and process tested.

**RESTRICTIONS:** Restrict the use of the floor to light traffic, non-harsh chemicals and water until the coating is fully cured.. Dependent on actual complete system application, surface may be slippery, especially when wet or contaminated; keep surface clean and dry.

**Considerations:**

- This product should be applied by use of roller application.
- Ensure that product is applied at the recommended thickness per gallon uniformly for proper appearance and development of physical properties.
- Color or gloss may be affected by humidity, temperature, chemical exposure and application thickness.
- For best results use a high quality 3/8" nap roller.
- Substrate temperature must be 5°F above dew point
- Do not use if relative humidity is below 25%
- Epoxy base coats must be de-glossed for proper adhesion.

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