

# **Breathable Masonry Coating II**

breathable, water-repellent, protective color coat for masonry

# **DESCRIPTION AND USE**

Breathable Masonry Coating® II combines the beauty of highquality paint with the protective power of breathable water repellents. BMC® II lets water vapor escape from masonry, while stopping destructive liquid water from entering. The masonry's appearance is preserved, and its service life is prolonged.

BMC° II dries to an attractive flat finish. It's compatible with the ChromaFlo (formerly ColorTrend) colorant system for achieving predictable color matches. BMC° II is available in four different bases, allowing for the greatest range of colors. The bases are Pastel, Tint, Deep and Accent. BMC bases are custom tinted by local distributors. Call PROSOCO Customer Care toll free at 800-255-4255 for your local distributor or for additional information about BMC° II.

BMC° products have been used on the U.S. Capitol and many other historic and contemporary buildings throughout the United States and Europe. Its unique silicone emulsion formulation makes the coating more resistant to weathering (UV, moisture and soiling) and so more durable and lasting than most conventional paints.

| BMC® II is recommended for these substrates. Always te | st. |
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| Coverage is in sa.ft./m. per gallon.                   |     |

| Substrate                           | Туре   | Use?                     | Coverage                     |
|-------------------------------------|--|--------------------------|------------------------------|
| Architectural<br>Concrete Block     | Burnished<br>Smooth<br>Split-faced<br>Ribbed   | yes<br>yes<br>yes        | 100-150 sq.ft.<br>9-14 sq.m. |
| Concrete                            | Brick Tile Precast Panels Pavers Cast-in-place | yes<br>yes<br>yes<br>yes | 100-300 sq.ft<br>9-28 sq.m.  |
| Fired Clay                          | Brick<br>Tile<br>Terra Cotta<br>Pavers         | yes<br>yes<br>yes<br>yes | 150-350 sq.ft<br>14-33 sq.m. |
| Marble,<br>Travertine,<br>Limestone | Polished                                       | no                       | NA                           |
|                                     | Unpolished                                     | yes                      | 100-300 sq.ft.<br>9-28 sq.m. |
| Granite                             | Polished                                       | no                       | NA                           |
|                                     | Unpolished                                     | yes                      | 100-300 sq.ft.<br>9-28 sq.m. |
| Sandstone                           | Unpolished                                     | yes                      | 100-250 sq.ft.<br>9-23 sq.m. |
| Slate                               | Unpolished                                     | yes                      | 100-350 sq.ft.<br>9-33 sq.m. |

# **PERFORMANCE**

## **Vapor Permeability**

BMC° II exhibited breathability with a water vapor transmission in excess of  $470 \text{ g/m}^2/24$  hours at 6 dry mils when run in accordance with ASTM D1653 Standard Test Methods for Water-Vapor Transmission of Organic Coating Films. BMC° II is nearly twice as breathable as traditional exterior flat acrylic latex paints and elastomeric paints. It's up to seven times more breathable than conventional alkyd coatings. BMC° II does not trap damaging moisture in the masonry.

#### **Adhesion Characteristics**

BMC° II achieved a top score of "4A" - nearly perfect - on adhesion test ASTM D 3359 on concrete. In adhesion test ASTM D 4541, the concrete itself pulled apart before the coating could be pulled off. BMC° II remained adhered against pressure of up to 367 pounds per square inch. BMC° II has excellent adhesion to concrete and masonry.

#### **ADVANTAGES**

- •Highest vapor permeability available.
- •Field-proven technology used on the U.S. Capitol and other U.S. and European landmarks.
- •Excellent UV stability.
- Excellent hiding.
- Easy application with roller, brush or spray. No primer needed.
- •Silicone emulsion formula resists soiling.
- •Good adhesion. Exceptional color retention.
- •Ideal for interiors or exteriors. No harsh odors.
- •Complies with all known national and state AIM VOC regulations.

#### Limitations

- •Not for horizontal surfaces.
- •Not suitable for application on some resin paints.
- •Manufacturer does not endorse use of organic colorants. Use of organic colorants for color matching may result in color fading.
- •Do not apply to metal.
- •Not available in South Coast Air Quality Management District.

# TYPICAL TECHNICAL DATA

pH: 9.0 - 10.0

FLASH POINT: >200°F (>93°C) ASTM D 3278 FREEZE POINT: 32°F (0°C) Do not freeze.

BINDER: Silicone resins, acrylic resins

CLEAN UP SOLVENT: Water

GENERIC TYPE: Silicone emulsion color coating DRYING TIME: (Normal 77°F, 50% Relative Humidity)

Touch: 45 minutes Recoat: 2 hours TYPE OF CURE: Coalescence REDUCTION SOLVENT: Water

SHELF LIFE: 1 year in tightly sealed, unopened container

| BMC° II               | Pastel | Tint  | Deep  | Accent |
|-----------------------|--------|-------|-------|--------|
| % solids by Wt.       | 56     | 55    | 48    | 43     |
| % solids by Vol.      | 38     | 38    | 34    | 31     |
| % pigment by Wt.      | 42     | 41    | 33    | 28     |
| Specific gravity      | 1.41   | 1.38  | 1.28  | 1.22   |
| Wt. per gallon (lbs.) | 11.76  | 11.55 | 10.66 | 10.15  |

## **VOC Information**

US EPA: maximum VOC content 600 g/L CARB SCM Districts: maximum VOC content 400 g/L Maricopa County, AZ: maximum VOC content 250 g/L NEOTC: maximum VOC content 400 g/L

## PREPARATION

Protect people, vehicles, property, metal, and all surfaces not set for coating from product, residue, splash, fumes and wind drift. Use drop cloths or other proven protective material. Protect and/or divert foot and vehicle traffic.

Surfaces must be clean, dry and absorbent. Correct the causes of moisture-related stains before applying BMC° II. Thoroughly clean efflorescence, algae and other moisture-related stains. In coastal areas, check for salt contamination. Call PROSOCO Customer Care toll-free at (800) 255-4255 for cleaning recommendations.

Roughen or abrade glazed or glossy surfaces for proper adhesion before applying BMC° II.

BMC° II needs no primer, though a priming coat may be applied if desired. Use Sure Klean® Weather Seal Siloxane WB at a dilution ratio of one part product to 19 parts water. Apply BMC° II within 48 hours of primer application.

## Surface and Air Temperatures

Do not apply if temperatures are colder than 40°F (4°C), or expected to be within 24 hours. Do not apply to surfaces hotter than 95°F (35°C).

## Equipment

Apply BMC° II with roller, brush or airless sprayer.

## Storage and Handling

Store in a cool, dry place. Always seal container after dispensing. Do not alter or mix with other chemicals. Published shelf life assumes upright storage of factory-sealed containers in a dry place. Maintain temperature of 45-100°F (7-38°C). Keep from freezing. Do not double stack pallets. Dispose of unused product and container in accordance with local, state and federal regulations.

# APPLICATION

Before use read "Preparation" and "Safety Information."

**ALWAYS TEST** each type of surface for suitability and results before overall application. Test using the following application instructions. Let tests dry thoroughly before inspection.

#### Dilution

Do not alter or dilute except for use in sprayers. The concentrate may need thinning with up to 5 percent fresh water, based on surface and drying conditions, and equipment. Mix well before

## **Color Uniformity**

BMC° II from multiple containers must be "boxed" (mixed) to ensure color uniformity.

## **Application Instructions**

- 1. Mix well.
- 2. Use roller, brush or airless sprayer to apply a smooth, uniform coating, 7 wet mils thick. Work from the top down. Brush out runs or drips. Back roll spray applications for proper adhesion and good coating performance.
- 3. Let first coat dry 2-4 hours
- 4. Reapply. The second coat should be 4 mils thick.

#### **Drying Time**

Protect from rain for at least 6 hours or until coating is thoroughly dry. Coating dries completely in 48 hours.

#### Cleanup

Clean equipment with warm water and mild detergents. Use solvent paint thinner to remove dried-on BMC° II

# SAFETY INFORMATION

BMC° Breathable Masonry Coating II is a water-reduced, silicone emulsion. Use appropriate safety and job site controls during application and handling. Read the full label and MSDS for precautionary instructions before use.

#### First Aid

*Ingestion*: Do not induce vomiting. If vomiting occurs, keep victim's head lower than waist to prevent aspiration. Seek medical attention.

*Eye Contact*: Rinse thoroughly for 15 minutes. Get medical assistance if irritation persists.

*Skin Contact*: Remove contaminated clothing and rinse thoroughly. Get medical attention if irritation persists. Launder contaminated clothing before reuse.

Inhalation: Remove to fresh air. Get medical attention as necessary.

24-Hour Emergency Information: INFOTRAC at 800-535-5053

# WARRANTY

The information and recommendations made are based on our own research and the research of others, and are believed to be accurate. However, no guarantee of their accuracy is made because we cannot cover every possible application of our products, nor anticipate every variation encountered in masonry surfaces, job conditions and methods used. The purchasers shall make their own tests to determine the suitability of such products for a particular purpose.

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