

# **Anti-Graffiti Coating Systems**

# **GRAFFITI GARD® IV (GLOSS)**

#### **DESCRIPTION**

GRAFFITI GARD® IV is a non-sacrificial, two-component, water based high performance clear aliphatic urethane coating that resists graffiti from a variety of materials including spray paints and marking pens. In many cases, freshly applied wet spray paint/ ink will actually crawl back onto itself, frustrating the would-be tagger into stopping and moving on to another target. The slick surface is easy to clean with GRAFFITI GARD® IV BIODEGRADABLE CLEANER followed by power washing.

#### **FEATURES**

- •Simple to mix and apply
- •Water-based formula
- •Excellent graffiti resistance
- •Excellent UV resistance
- •Easy removal of graffiti
- •Breathable coating.
- Low VOC

#### **BENEFITS**

- •Protects surface against graffiti.
- •Water repellant surface stays clean looking.
- •Easy removal of graffiti
- •Low VOC, able to be used in all

states and jurisdictions.

# **RECOMMENDED OVER**

Can be used over many interior and exterior vertical surfaces including bare concrete, split face block, clean and sound previously coated concrete, brick, properly prepared previously coated metal, and other manufacturer approved surfaces.

#### **APPLICATION**

**Application Equipment:** Application of GRAFFITI GARD° IV can be done by brush, roller, or airless sprayer. When spraying product, proper respiratory protection is required. Airless sprayer should use .011-.013 spray tip.

Surface Preparation: Proper surface preparation is essential to achieve the proper results with GRAFFITI GARD® IV. All surfaces must be clean, dry, and in sound condition. Remove all oil, dust, grease, dirt, and other foreign material to ensure proper adhesion. If the surface is previously painted, ensure that it is in sound condition and cleaned of all contaminants. Smooth or glossy coatings should be dulled by abrading the surface, and then all dust removed from the surface. In cases of directly applying to metal, cross-hatch adhesion tape test should be used to insure adequate bonding. Adjacent surfaces not to be coated must be masked

**Primer System:** When applied to a porous masonry surface such as split –face block, the substrate should be primed with RAINSTOPPER® 1750W Clear. Previously painted substrates do not need priming.

**Application Rate:** The actual application rate is dependent on the texture and absorbance of the surface being

treated. Typical application rates will be 250-350 square feet per gallon. Textured or absorbent surfaces will require additional material. For extended warranty, a second coat must be applied as soon as possible after the first coat has set to touch, typically within 1-2 hours. Waiting longer may result in the additional material being repelled by the previous coat. Do not over apply film build as excessive thickness may create milky appearance through air entrapment.

Mixing: GRAFFITI GARD® IV is a twocomponent product that must be mixed together prior to doing the application. Open both containers and add the clear Part B slowly while mixing into the Part A container. (Note 5/gal kit requires mixing in two Part B containers). Mix approximately 2-3 minutes until smooth and uniform. Do not over mix or foam bubbles may be created. Once mixed, you will have 1-2 hours to apply mixed product. The usable pot life is temperature dependent and is shorter at higher temperatures. Product should not be thinned or diluted.

**Application:** GRAFFITI GARD° IV should be applied in a timely manner, thus planning the application is important. A mock-up sample application is recommended for final approval by architect, engineer, or con-

tractor of the surface appearance.

Safety: Apply with adequate ventilation. Follow all safety precautions including proper respiratory protection as noted in the Material Safety Data Sheet

**Clean-Up:** Clean equipment promptly with soap and water.

# **GRAFFITI REMOVAL**

Graffiti should be removed as soon as possible. Spray paint graffiti should be removed with GRAFFITI GARD® IV BIODEGRADABLE CLEANER followed by power washing. Cleaner should be applied by brush or roller, allow to remain on surface 10 minutes, then scrubbed with a bristle brush, wait an additional 5 minutes, and power wash. Additional application of CLEANER may be necessary for complete graffiti removal. Graffiti not removed in the first few weeks may result in ghosting after cleaning.

### **REPAINTING**

Prior to repainting or top coating Graffiti GARD® IV, abrading the surface substrate will be necessary. Light sanding or using steel wool are acceptable ways to remove the antigraffiti properties.

#### **BEST PERFORMANCE**

- •Follow all instructions closely for surface preparation, mixing, and application.
- Adjacent surfaces not to be coated should be well masked.
- Apply under ideal weather conditions with temperatures between 50
- -90°F.
- Shelf life is 6 months at room temperature. Containers should be stored upright and sealed.
- •Periodic cleaning with a power-washer will remove any atmospheric dust or dirt residues and keep the surface fresh looking.
- •Remove graffiti as soon as possible for greatest ease of removal.
- •For maximum protection, apply two coats.

#### **■ TECHNICAL DATA**

| Physical Properties                                   | Gloss  |
|---|--|
| Coverage Rate   | 250-350 sq ft / gallon   |
| Weight Percent Solids Mixed A&B                       | 53-55%   |
|   | 0.67   |
| Density Part A  | 8.6 Typical  |
| Density Part B  | 9.6 Typical  |
| Density Mixed   | 8.9 Typical  |
| Pot Life  | > One hour   |
| VOC Mixed   | <50 grams/ Liter   |
| Moisture Vapor Transmission (ASTM D1653)              | 6 perms  |
| Freeze/Thaw (ASTM C666)                               | Durability @ 300 Cycles—98.3%<br>Weight Loss @ 300 Cycles—0%<br>Surface Rating (Per C672) - No Scaling |
| Graffiti Cleanability (ASTM D7089)                    | 100% Graffiti removal of black solvent spray paint cured for 24 hours.                                 |
| Freeze/Thaw (ASTM C666) Modified with Saline          | No visible change nor signs of cracking or de-<br>lamination @ 300 cycles                              |
| Accelerated Weathering (ASTM G154)                    | Observations @ 1500 Hours—No cracking, loss of adhesion or discoloration                               |
| Abrasion Resistance (ASTM D4060)                      | 0.0145 Wear Index @ 1000 Cycles (Excellent)  |
| Chemical Resistance to Household Chemicals ASTM D1308 | Exhibits excellent resistance to chemical agents when exposed  |
| Gloss @ 60 Degrees                                    | 75 Minimum   |

#### ORDER INFORMATION

#### Packaging:

GRAFFITI GARD® IV is a clear twocomponent finish that is available in either 0.9 gallon or five gallon kits.

The kit is comprised of a Part A and Part B component. Note five gallon kit is comprised of 1 Part A component and 2 Part B components.

#### Shelf Life:

Six months in unopened containers. Store indoors and maintain temperature of 45-100°F.

#### **SAFETY**

Use protective clothes, glasses, and gloves when mixing and applying. Use with adequate ventilation. When applying by spray, proper respiratory protective equipment must be worn.

Follow recommendations on Material Safety Data Sheet.

# VOC COMPLIANCE

All TEX-COTE® products comply with federal and state Volatile Organic Compound (VOC) rules and regulations. Please contact your nearest TEX-COTE LLC office for assistance on the local VOC compliance in the area of intended use.

#### **■ WARRANTY**

Upon completion of application of coating in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations, TEX-COTE LLC will extend its limited commercial warranty for product replacement as a results of a defect in the material. The manufacturer must be notified prior to the application of the coating and the application must be in compliance with manufacturer's recommendations for installation. TEX-COTE LLC shall have no obligation to contribute or to otherwise participate in labor or cost associated with effecting repairs. Specimen copy of material warranty is available upon request.



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