## **Barrier**<sup>TM</sup>

#### **DESCRIPTION**

**Barrier** is a water-based, VOC compliant spray-on evaporation reducer for fresh concrete surfaces. **Barrier** reduces the loss of surface moisture by forming a continuous mono-molecular film over the concrete surface.

### **APPLICATIONS**

To reduce surface evaporation of plastic concrete exposed to rapid drying environments. **Barrier** is especially useful in hot, windy, low humidity situations where rapid surface evaporation can result in concrete surface defects such as; plastic shrinkage cracking, crusting, crazing, or dusting.

#### **FEATURES/BENEFITS**

- Reduces moisture loss and drying of plastic concrete surfaces.
- Reduces the effects of low relative humidity and wind.
- Eliminates or reduces surface "crusting" and concrete sponginess.
- Helps prevent map cracking and plastic shrinkage.
- Promotes superior concrete surfaces.

### **SPECIFICATIONS**

The use of a mono-molecular film to prevent rapid drying of fresh concrete is recommended in the following ACI documents: ACI 305R, "Hot Weather Concreting;" ACI 302.1R, "Guide for Concrete Floor and Slab Construction;" ACI 308, "Standard Practice for Curing Concrete;" and ACI 345R, "Guide for Concrete Highway Bridge Deck Construction."

#### **TECHNICAL NOTE**

According to ACI 305, "Hot Weather Concrete," plastic shrinkage cracking of concrete is probable whenever the evaporation rate exceeds 0.2 lbs./sq. ft./hr. (1.0 Kg/sq. m/hr.). Many combinations of air temperature, relative humidity, concrete temperature, and wind velocity can produce an evaporation rate that exceeds 0.2 lbs./sq. ft./hr. (1.0 Kg/sq. m/hr.). See evaporation chart.

### **LIMITATIONS**

**Barrier** is not suitable for use as a surface retarder for producing exposed aggregate surfaces. Do not use **Barrier** as a curing compound.

#### **PACKAGING**

55-gallon drums and bulk tank truck

#### **DIRECTIONS**

**Dilution/Mixing: Barrier** is packaged in a concentrated solution which requires a dilution rate of 1:9 (1 gallon **Barrier** to 9 gallons of water). Mix/agitate thoroughly. For larger quantities, add 5 gallons (18.9 liter) of **Barrier** concentrate to a clean 55-gal. (208-liter) drum, and then add 45 gallons (170 liter) of water and mix thoroughly.

**Application:** Using a hand or power sprayer / fogger, apply **Barrier** uniformly over the surface of the plastic concrete until sheen appears. Apply immediately after screeding and/ or between finishing operations (as needed). Coverage rate is 200 to 300 sq. ft/gal. (4.9 to 7.4 sq. m/liter). **Barrier** will not retard the setting characteristics of the concrete.

#### **STORAGE**

**Barrier** should be stored in temperatures 40 degrees Fahrenheit or higher.



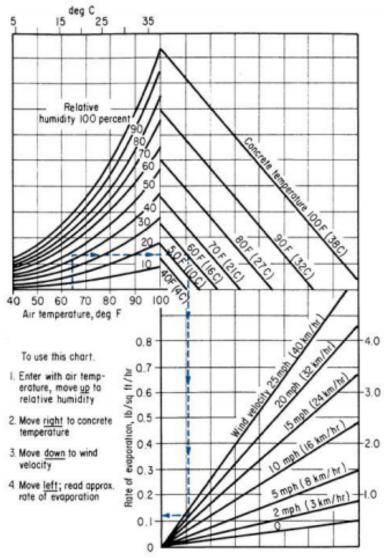
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**Evaporation Chart** 



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