



# **NATURAL LOOK (NS) PROTECTOR**

SEALER & JOINT STABILIZER - ALL IN ONE NATURAL LOOK - MATTE FINISH - WATER-BASED

# **UPDATE**

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# **APPLICATIONS**

Recommended for driveways, parking lots, patios and walkways

# **PROPERTIES**

- · Preserves the natural look of pavers
- · Ideal for driveways, parking lots, patios and walkways
- · Stain guard forms a protective film
- Water-based

#### **DESCRIPTION**

Made of acrylic, NATURAL LOOK (NS) Protector is specially designed to protect concrete pavers and to stop the movement of aggregates\* or sand (conventional paver joints), while preserving the original look of pavers. It prevents deterioration caused by chemical products, such as de-icing salts, while providing resistance to acids and alkalis. Its transparent film stops the penetration of contaminants, facilitating the maintenance of pavers. Water-based, NATURAL LOOK (NS) Protector does not release unpleasant fumes and is environmentally friendly.

\*Refer to paver manufacturer recommendations for aggregate specifications.

# **DIRECTIONS**

# **APPLICATION TO CONCRETE PAVERS**

#### **BEFORE YOU BEGIN**

**ALWAYS TEST** on a small hidden area of approximately 4 sq. ft. to ensure that result meets your expectations (see Warranty).

• Do not apply to wet-cast pavers, natural stone or stamped or poured concrete. • Do not apply to polished material. • Apply only to bare material\* or to material previously sealed with this product. • Wait until the Protector is worn before recoating the surface (minimum 2 years). • With the appropriate stripper, remove any unknown coating that was previously applied. 
\*ABSORPTION TEST: Sprinkle a few drops of water on surface. If water is absorbed, move on to the next point. If water is repelled, do not apply this product.

## **SURFACE PREPARATION (CONCRETE PAVERS)**

- 1. Protect vegetation, vehicles and adjacent surfaces that are not to be treated.
- 2. Remove stains with the appropriate Techniseal® stain removers.
- 3. Prepare the entire surface with Techniseal Paver Prep (efflorescence cleaner), as directed on product label.

## **APPLICATION (CONCRETE PAVERS)**

#### **Application Conditions:**

- · Surface must be clean, dry and warm to the touch.
- · Temperature must be between 50 and 85 °F during the application and for the next 24 hours.
- · No rain forecasted for the next 24 hours.
- · Sprinkler system must be turned off.
- Use a consistent application method over the entire surface.

#### **Necessary Tools:**

- Low-pressure airless sprayer (< 50 psi) or pump sprayer (best practice)</li>
- 3/8" polyester nap roller and paint tray

<u>Do not dilute. Shake well or stir product before and during application. Work in sections of no more than 50 sq. ft. Product is milky white in its container and will become clear once dry.</u>

**Sprayer Application (Best Practice)**: **Saturate** surface with a single coat of Protector. With a roller, immediately remove the excess from the surface before it dries (this step is critical for textured pavers). Repeat for subsequent sections, maintaining a wet edge to prevent overlap marks.

**Roller Application**: **Saturate** the surface with a single coat of Protector, avoiding an accumulation of excess product. Maintain a wet edge to avoid overlapping marks.

Traffic: Pedestrian: 24 h. / Vehicular: 48 h to 72 h. Block access during that period.

#### **CAUTION**

• Any new concrete product has the potential to produce efflorescence (whitish salts) on its surface. This Protector, like any film-forming coating, carries a small risk of trapping efflorescence beneath its film. Consult the paver manufacturer or contact Techniseal at 1-800-465-7325 for more information. • Do not attempt sprayer application on windy days. • Do not apply this product over a blotchy or hazed surface. • Inadequate surface cleaning can result in uneven finish. • This product will make the surface more slippery when wet. If slipping is a concern, consider adding Techniseal Surefoot Anti-Slip Grit in the Protector before the application. Natural Look (iN) Protector can also be an alternative although it is not a joint stabilizer. • An over-accumulation of product could lead to surface whitening. • Wait 30 days after the installation of polymeric sand before sealing the pavers. • Extreme climate or heavy traffic can limit product longevity.

# TO STABILIZE SAND OR AGGREGATE JOINTS

# **BEFORE YOU BEGIN**

ALWAYS TEST on a small hidden area of approximately 4 sq. ft. to ensure that result meets your expectations (see Warranty).

• Do not apply to natural stone or wet-cast pavers, stamped or poured concrete. • Do not apply to polished material. • Apply only to bare material\* or to material previously sealed with this product. • Wait until the Protector is worn before recoating the surface (minimum 2 years). • With the appropriate stripper, remove any unknown coating that was previously applied.

\*ABSORPTION TEST: Sprinkle a few drops of water on surface. If water is absorbed, move on to the next point. If water is repelled, do not apply this product.

### **SURFACE PREPARATION (JOINT STABILIZATION)**

- 1. Protect vegetation, vehicles and adjacent surfaces that are not to be treated.
- 2. Remove stains with the appropriate Techniseal stain removers.
- 3. Prepare the entire surface with Techniseal Paver Prep (efflorescence cleaner), as directed on product label.

## **APPLICATION (JOINT STABILIZATION)**

#### **Application Conditions:**

- · Surface must be clean, dry and warm to the touch.
- Temperature must be between 50 and 85 °F during the application and for the next 24 hours...
- No rain forecasted for the next 24 hours.
- · Sprinkler system must be turned off.
- Use a consistent application method over entire surface.

### **Necessary Tools:**

- Low-pressure airless sprayer (< 50 psi) or pump sprayer (optional)
- 3/8" polyester nap roller and paint tray.

Do not dilute. Shake well or stir product before and during application. Work in sections of no more than 50 sq. ft. Product is milky white in its container and will become clear once dry.

**Sprayer Application: Saturate** surface with <u>a single coat</u> of Protector. With the roller, redirect the excess product from the surface into the joints. Avoid displacing the aggregates with the roller. Repeat for subsequent sections, maintaining a wet edge to prevent overlap marks.

#### **CAUTION**

• Any new concrete product has the potential to produce efflorescence (whitish salts) on its surface. This Protector, like any film-forming coating, carries a small risk of trapping efflorescence beneath its film. Consult the paver manufacturer or contact Techniseal® at 1 800 465-7325 for more information. • Do not attempt sprayer application on windy days. • Do not apply this product over a blotchy or hazed surface. • This product will make the surface more slippery when wet. If slipping is a problem, consider adding Surefoot anti-slip grit from Techniseal in the Protector before the application. • An overaccumulation of product could lead to surface whitening. • Extreme climate or heavy traffic could limit product longevity. • Frequent and aggressive maintenance will affect aggregate joint binding.

### **TO BIND AGGREGATES**

#### **BEFORE YOU BEGIN**

**ALWAYS TEST** on a small hidden area of approximately 4 sq. ft. to ensure that result meets your expectations (see Warranty).

## **SURFACE PREPARATION (AGGREGATE BINDING)**

1- Protect vegetation, vehicles and adjacent surfaces that are not to be treated.

## **APPLICATION (AGGREGATE BINDING)**

## **Application Conditions:**

- · Surface must be clean, dry and warm to the touch.
- Temperature must be between 50 and 85°F during the application and for the next 24 hours...
- · No rain forecasted for the next 24 hours.
- · Sprinkler system must be turned off.
- Use a consistent application method over the entire surface.

#### **Necessary Tools:**

• Low-pressure airless sprayer (< 50 psi) or pump sprayer (mandatory).

<u>Do not dilute. Shake well or stir product before and during application. Product is milky white in its container and will become clear once dry.</u>

Using the sprayer, apply the Protector to the surface at the rate of 15 sq. ft. per gallon for residential pedestrian use, or 10 sq. ft. per gallon for commercial pedestrian use. Allow the Protector to fully penetrate the aggregates.

To repair an existing surface, a watering can be used. Apply the Protector along the areas that are weakened.

#### **CAUTION**

• In some instance a crack may appear; to fix, see instructions on maintaining an existing surface. • Do not attempt sprayer application on windy days. • An over-accumulation of product could lead to surface whitening. • Extreme climate or heavy

traffic can limit product longevity. • Frequent and aggressive maintenance will affect aggregate binding durability.

#### **COVERAGE**

As a paver sealer: single-coat application 1 gallon covers up to 150 sq. ft. / 5 gallon covers up to 750 sq. ft. As a joint stabilizer: 1 gallon covers from 50 to 125 sq. ft. / 5 gallon covers from 250 to 625 sq. ft. As an aggregate binder: 1 gallon covers up to 15 sq. ft. for a new installation and up to 45 sq. ft. for maintenance. 5 gallon covers up to 75 sq. ft. for a new installation and up to 225 sq. ft. for maintenance.

Coverage will depend on joint width and type as well as surface porosity.

#### **STORAGE**

Keep from freezing. Store in a cool, dry place.

#### **CLEANING & DISPOSAL**

Wash tools and hands with warm soapy water. Consult your retailer or municipality regarding the disposal of empty containers or unused product.

#### **PACKAGING**

Product Code	Size	Units per box	Units per pallet
60301881	1 gallon	2	180
60101582	5 gallon	-	48

## **WARNING**

For more information and advice on the proper handling, storage, and disposal of this product, please refer to the latest version of its Safety Data Sheet (SDS). This official document contains physical, ecological, and other important information pertaining to the safe usage of this product. Visit www.techniseal.com or call 1-800-465-7325 to request or find an up-to-date version of this product's Safety Data Sheet (SDS).

#### **KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN**

#### **TRANSPORT**

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# **LIMITED WARRANTY**

Having no control over the use of the products, Techniseal® does not guarantee finished work. Replacement of any defective product shall be the buyer's sole remedy under this warranty. A proof of purchase will be required for any claim. Before using this product, user shall determine the suitability of the product for its intended use, and user alone assumes all risks and liability whatsoever in connection therewith. User shall test product in a small inconspicuous area (approx. 4 sq. ft.) under projected conditions of use. In the event that no test was carried out, the warranty will only apply to 4 sq. ft. This limited warranty excludes any liability for any consequential, incidental, indirect or special damages. Except for the limited warranty described above, manufacturer specifically disclaims and excludes any other express warranty, any implied warranty of merchantability of goods, and implied warranty of fitness of goods for any particular purpose.