TREMCO
Construction Products Group

TREMproof 250GC

Single Component, Green Concrete Approved, Rapid Curing, Polyurethane Waterproofing Membrane

PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

TREMproof 250GC is a Green Star Compliant rapid curing, high solids, low VOC, moisture cure modified polyurethane waterproofing membrane that can be applied to "Green" (24 hour old) concrete.

USAGE/PURPOSE

TREMproof 250GC is an effective membrane for use on concrete and prepared masonry surfaces in areas such as:

- ❑ Retaining Walls
- ❑ Below Grade Waterproofing
- ❑ Tunnels
- ❑ Planter Boxes (with anti-root additive)

FEATURES & BENEFITS

- ❑ Tested to AS 4654.1 – Waterproofing membranes for external above ground use.
- ❑ Can be applied on 24-hour old concrete, allowing for rapid acceleration of the construction time-frame and installation of landscaping or backfill.
- ❑ Can be applied onto green concrete, minimising construction delays due to inclement weather. Consult Tremco for further information.
- ❑ Depending on site and/or substrate conditions, TREMproof 250GC may be used without a primer.
- ❑ Minimum 85% solids assist the contractor in applying the correct dry film thickness by allowing them to quickly measure the wet film thickness.
- ❑ Low VOC, waterproof membrane.
- ❑ Can be applied at a rate up to 3mm in a single lift to speed application without sacrificing performance.
- ❑ Suitable for below-grade waterproofing applications. For applications subject to sustained hydrostatic pressure or below-water-table conditions, contact Tremco Technical or Specifications Team for project-specific review before use.

PACKAGING

18.9L Pails



COLOUR

Black

SHELF LIFE

12 months when stored as recommended in original unopened packaging.

STORAGE

Store in a dry cool place in an upright position in original unopened packaging.

LIMITATIONS

- ❑ Do not apply to wet or contaminated surfaces.
- ❑ Not to be used as an exposed or trafficable surface.
- ❑ Concrete forms must be removed a minimum of 24 hours before TREMproof 250GC can be applied.
- ❑ Not approved for direct contact with Bitumen-based products.
- ❑ Do not use where a minimum fall of 1:100 cannot be achieved.
- ❑ Contact your local Tremco Representative for compatibility information

TYPICAL PHYSICAL PROPERTIES		
PROPERTY	**TEST METHOD**	**TREMproof 250GC**
Maximum VOC	Method 310	133 g/L
% Solids by Volume	ASTM D1353	85%
Drying Time @ 23°C, 50% RH	ASTM D1640	6 Hours
Bond Strength	ASTM C794	Concrete Masonry - 32 N Plywood - 68 N
Adhesion-in-Peel after Water Immersion	ASTM C836	29.7 N/cm
Low Temperature Flexibility (Mandrel Bend Test)	ASTM C836	Pass
Low Temperature Crack-Bridging	ASTM C1305	Pass
Cyclic Movement	CSIRO Moving Joint Test	Pass
Elongation at Break	AS4654.1 Appendix A	313%
Hardness (Type 00)	ASTM D2240	87
Temperature Resistance	AS4654.1 Clause 2.6	Pass
Ultraviolet Resistance	AS4654.1 Table A4	N/A - Non-Exposed
Tensile Strength	AS4654.1 Table A4	1.20 MPa
Tensile Strength	ASTM D412	1.38 MPa
Durability	AS4654.1 Table A4	Pass
Water Vapour Transmission Rate	ASTM E96	4.64 g/m^2/24hours
Hydrostatic Pressure Resistance**	ASTM D385	689 kPa, equivalent to approximately 70 m water head

**Drying times will vary depending on ambient temperature and relative humidity*
***For applications subject to hydrostatic pressure or below-water-table conditions, please contact the Tremco Technical or Specifications Team for project-specific review before use.*

and job-specific recommendations on tie-in and termination details.

- ❑ Do not apply over a curing or forming oil compound.
- ❑ Do not use with corflute.
- ❑ Not suitable for use as a waterproofing membrane beneath tile bed/screed or tiled finished floors.
- ❑ Do not use in submerged conditions.

SUBSTRATE PREPARATION FOR CONCRETE SURFACES

1. Concrete shall be water-cured and attain a 20 MPa minimum compressive strength. TREMproof 250GC may be applied to green concrete (minimum 24 hours after formwork removal), however the substrate must be free from all standing, surface water. Please contact your local Tremco Representative for further information.
2. Concrete shall be free of any laitance which may inhibit adhesion. Removal of laitance can be achieved through a variety of physical abrasion methods, such as shot blasting (preferred method), sandblasting or grinding. Where a physical abrasion method has been used, a minimum of 2x coats a suitable Tremco CPG Australia primer shall be applied.
3. Surfaces shall be made free of defects that may telegraph and show through the finished coating. All 90° transitions shall be modified to 45°, to eliminate sharp edges/corners. Surfaces that are rough (fins, ridges, exposed aggregate, honeycombs, deep broom finish, etc.) shall be levelled and made smooth by applying a coat of sand-filled epoxy using TREMprime EP.
4. Concrete surface shall be properly cleaned so that the surface to receive the coating, sealant or liquid-applied flashing is free of mould, paint, sealers, coatings, curing agents, loose particles, and other contamination or foreign matter that may interfere with the adhesion.
5. In the event of exposed reinforcing steel, it is recommended that the structural engineer of record be contacted for investigation and for best repair method.
6. Spalled areas shall be cleaned free of loose contaminants prior to repair. Because jobsite conditions vary, it is recommended that you contact your local Tremco Representative. Depending on the substrate and depth of the spalled areas, a EUCOcrete repair product will be recommended as the best method of repair.
7. Shrinkage cracks in the concrete surface that are 1.6mm wide or greater shall be ground out to a minimum 6mm wide x 12mm deep and treated according to the instructions in 'Detail Work' section.
8. Structural cracks regardless of width shall be ground out to a minimum 6mm wide x 12mm deep and treated according to the instructions in 'Detail Work' section.
9. All drains shall be cleaned and operative. Drains shall be recessed lower than the deck surface. The surface shall be sloped to a drainage point to provide positive drainage (refer to the relevant Australian Standards/NCC for required fall). Drains should be detailed as instructed below:

   Cut a 6mm wide x 12mm deep keyway into the concrete surface at any point where the coating will have an exposed terminating edge - that is, any point where the coating will end in an open area subject to traffic, for example, at the end of a ramp, around drains and alongside expansion joints.
10. If the project is a restoration deck, old sealant and membrane material shall be removed. The joint interface will require a thorough wire brushing, grinding, sandblasting, solvent washing and/or primer.

SUBSTRATE PREPARATION FOR METAL SURFACES

All surfaces shall be sand-blasted to meet the requirements in AS1627.4, class 2.5 for "Near White Metal".

JOBSITE MATERIALS

Recommended materials and their uses are as follows:

- ❑ Vulkem 171: A one-part, film-forming primer to be used on porous surfaces.
- ❑ TREMprime EP: A 100% solids, two component epoxy primer recommended for use on porous substrates (concrete, brick, stone) and also as a compatible tie-in coat to create connectivity between otherwise incompatible membranes.
- ❑ TREMproof 200EC: A low-VOC, two-part, water based epoxy primer for use on porous substrates, such as wood and concrete to provide a vapour retarder. Also can be used on concrete based substrates to provide an efflorescence barrier.
- ❑ TREMprime Non-Porous Primer: A low-VOC primer for use in applying urethanes to non-porous substrates such as metal, PVC and glass.
- ❑ Vulkem 191 QD Primer: A low-VOC compliant, one-part, interlaminar primer for use in applying a fresh coat of Vulkem coating or sealant after preceding coat has been exposed to rain or for periods of time greater than 24 hours.
- ❑ Dymonic 100: A one-part, exceptional movement (+100/-50%) moisture curing, gun grade polyurethane sealant for use in precast, masonry, expansion joints, control joints and for use in forming cant/fillet bead.
- ❑ Tremflex 25FC: A one-part, fast curing, flexible fillet joint sealant for use in professional waterproofing applications.
- ❑ Anti-Root Additive: Used where applicable. Protects construction materials from undesirable root penetration without damaging plants.

USAGE

The following is a guide to estimate material usage: This does not account for material wastage on-site or reduced coverage due to substrate porosity/aggregate profile:

PRODUCT	COVERAGE RATE		THICKNESS	
TREMproof 250GC	0.61m²/L	11.45m²/Pail	1.65mm WFT	1.4mm DFT
TREMproof 250GC **Where extended warranty periods are required (Consult Tremco CPG Technical Team)*	0.40m²/L	7.65m²/Pail	2.47mm WFT	2.10mm DFT

PRIMING

Note: Do not apply primers, sealant or membranes to a frosty, damp or wet surface or when substrate temperature is below 4°C or the surface temperature is above 43°C. Cure times as stated below are based upon standard ambient conditions of 23°C, 50% RH. A decrease in ambient temperature and humidity will significantly lengthen the cure time.

1. TREMproof 250GC requires TREMprime Non-Porous Primer on metal and PVC surfaces, such as puddle flanges, pipes, or flashing. Please refer to appropriate product data sheet regarding application instructions.

DETAIL WORK

NOTE: Do not apply sealant or coatings to a frosty, damp or wet surface or when substrate temperature is below 10°C or the surface temperature is above 40°C. Cure times as stated below are based upon standard ambient conditions of 23°C, 50% RH. A decrease in ambient temperature and humidity will significantly lengthen the cure time.

1. Best practice is to install closed-cell backer rod or bond breaker tape into the corner at the juncture of all horizontal and vertical surfaces such as floor to wall junctions, hobs columns, or penetrations through the deck. This is to prevent 3-sided adhesion of the sealant. **NOTE:** This is recommended by Tremco for all joints, however it is required for all expected moving joints.
2. Apply a bead of Dymonic 100/TREMflex 25FC, over the backer rod/bond breaker tape as per requirements of AS4654.2. Tool the sealant bead to form a 45° fillet. Use sufficient pressure to force out any trapped air and to assure complete wetting of the surface. Remove excess sealant from the deck or wall joint.

3. All cracks and joints shall be sealed with Tremco approved sealant, and tooled flush with the surface. **NOTE:** Expansion/movement joints should not be coated over. For treatment of expansion/movement joints, contact your local Tremco Representative.
4. Joint/Crack Treatment: Install a backer rod, 3mm to 6mm diameter larger than the joint width to all prepared control joints. Set depth of backer rod to control the depth of the sealant. (Depth of sealant is measured from the top of the backer rod to the top of the concrete surface). Proper depth of sealant is as follows:
   a. For joints 6mm to 12mm wide, the depth to width ratio should be equal.
   b. Joints 12mm wide or greater should have a sealant depth to width ratio of 1:2 The minimum joint size is 6mm x 6mm.
5. Allow sealant to cure.
6. TREMproof 250GC should be mixed with a suitable electric paddle mixer at a rate of 500rpm for a minimum of 3 minutes, ensuring there is no settlement at the base of the drum.
7. Apply a full thickness (as per USAGE table) detail coat of TREMproof 250GC over the treated fillet and extend it to the tape on the vertical surface and 100mm onto the horizontal surface. Feather-edge the terminating edge of the TREMproof 250GC detail coat on the horizontal surface so it will not show through the finished coating.
8. Apply a full thickness (as per USAGE table) detail coat of TREMproof 250GC, 150mm wide centered over all untreated cracks, all routed and sealed cracks and over all cold joints. Feather-edge terminating edge of detail coat to keep these edges from showing through the finished coating.
9. Allow all detail coats to cure for a minimum of 4 to 6 hours depending on temperature and humidity.
10. Where movement is anticipated, Tremco suggests that a polypropylene bond breaker tape is placed over the detail coat over the treated joint prior to subsequent membrane application.

NOTE: Recommended coverage rates are approximate. Concrete surface profiles may increase the amount of material required to obtain uniform coverage.

METHOD OF APPLICATION

1. TREMproof 250GC should be mixed with a suitable electric paddle mixer at a rate of 500rpm for a minimum of 3 minutes, ensuring there is no settlement at the base of the drum. Where required, TREMproof Anti root Additive should be added after the initial mix, then mixed for a further 2 minutes.
2. Apply TREMproof 250GC (as per the USAGE table) to the entire area to be coated, including overall detail coats, but excluding expansion joints. TREMproof 250GC can be applied with a solvent-resistant, medium-nap (9.5mm to 12.7mm) roller sleeve or a notched squeegee followed by cross rolling.
3. Allow TREMproof 250GC to cure. Cure rates depend on temperature and humidity. Refer to cure rate guidelines in the chart at the end of this document. If the TREMproof 250GC has been applied for 24 hours or longer, it should be cleaned with Tremco Xylol and re-activated with Vulkem 191QD primer, prior to any additional coats/coatings.
4. Where TREMproof 250GC is being installed in planter boxes or below grade type applications, once the application process is complete and prior to any soil or backfill being installed, TREMproof 250GC must be protected using the below:
   a. Geofabric wrapped drainage cell must be installed horizontally - No corflute to be used.
   b. TREMboard or an equivalent dimpled board must be installed vertically - No corflute to be used.

CLEAN UP

- ❑ Clean all adjacent areas to remove any stains or spills with Tremco Xylol.
- ❑ Clean tools or equipment with Tremco Xylol before material cures.
- ❑ Clean hands by soaking in hot, soapy water, then brushing with a stiff-bristle brush.

TROUBLESHOOTING

This section describes common industry application issues when certain environmental conditions exist and their remedies. If any of these should occur, it is always recommended that you contact your local Tremco Representative.

1. When a deck contains too much moisture, the moisture may change into a vapour, which then condenses at the concrete membrane interface before the coating has cured and may cause blisters or bubbles, ultimately interfering with proper adhesion. If this should occur, the blisters can be cut out, allowing moisture to escape. After moisture has escaped and the surface is dry, the area can be repaired.
2. If the coating application has been installed at a thickness that is greater than our installation instructions, dry times could be extended significantly. As a result, Tremco recommends that the material is applied in accordance with the installation instructions.
3. If the coating is applied in very hot ambient temperatures, the air in the small spaces between the concrete particles increases in volume and forms blisters. Contact Tremco should this occur.
4. If the previous coating application has not fully cured, water may become trapped between the coats and lead to large blisters. When cut out, they may still be tacky on the underside. Blisters may be cut out and repaired after the surface has been allowed to fully dry. Also, additional application will dramatically reduce the rate the material cures and full cure will take dramatically longer than normal.

WEATHER IMPACT ON COATING APPLICATION

This section discusses the impact of applying these coatings outside the ideal temperature application range of 18 to 30°C at 50% RH.

1. At temperatures lower than the ideal range, the material will become viscous and it will cure at a slower rate. Refer to the chart below for approximate cure rates at varying temperatures.
2. Storing materials at cooler or warmer temperatures than ideal, will affect the handling and curing characteristics of the materials.
3. Substrate temperatures may affect cure rates even when ambient temperatures are high.
4. Enclosed areas may slow the cure rate of the coating because air flow tends to be minimal in these areas.
5. In high relative humidity conditions, the material will cure faster as it is a moisture cure product.

APPROXIMATE CURE TIMES IN HOURS AT 50% RH

The following is a guide to estimate cure time:

Temperature at 50% RH	TREMproof 250GC
4.4 - 12.8°C	>72 Hours
12.8 - 18.3°C	12 to 72 Hours
18.3 - 29.4°C	6 to 12 Hours
29.4°C	3 to 4 Hours

Variations in temperature and humidity can affect the cure rate of the coating. The above chart should be used as a guide only to determine the approximate rate of cure. Other factors can also influence the cure rate such as substrate temperature and enclosed environments. For more information about proper application procedures please contact Tremco.

HEALTH & SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

The Safety Data Sheet (SDS) must be read and understood prior to use.

TECHNICAL SERVICE

Tremco CPG Australia Pty Ltd has a team of Representatives who provide assistance in the selection and specification of products. For more detailed information or service and advice, call Customer Service on (02) 9638 2755 or fax (02) 9638 2955.

GUARANTEE/WARRANTY

Tremco CPG Australia Pty Ltd products are manufactured to rigid standards of quality. Any product which has been applied (a) in accordance with Tremco CPG Australia written instructions and (b) in any application recommended by Tremco CPG Australia, but which is proved to be defective, will be replaced free of charge.

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