

PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

Stonblend GSI is a nominal 3/16 in./5 mm flooring system that offers a cost-effective alternative to terrazzo. It combines decorative looks with excellent chemical, wear, stain, and UV resistance. It is comprised of:

Stonkote CE4

A two-component, penetrating, epoxy primer

Stonblend GSI Base

A three-component, troweled mortar consisting of epoxy resin, curing agent and colored quartz silica aggregate

Stonblend Groutcoat

A two-component, clear, epoxy sealer

Stonkote CE4

A two-component, clear, leveling epoxy sealer

Stonseal CF7

A two-component, clear flat, high performance, water-based, VOC-compliant, polyurethane coating

OPTIONS

Waterproofing

To ensure that the entire system is watertight, the use of Stonhard's Stonproof ME7 membrane system is required with strict adherence to application instructions.

Cove Base

To provide for an integral seal at the joint between the floor and the wall, cove bases in heights from 2 to 6 in./5 to 15 cm are available.

PACKAGING

Stonblend GSI is packaged in units for easy handling. Each unit consists of:

Stonblend GSI Base

2 cartons, each containing: 6 foil bags of Amine
6 poly bags of Resin
12 individual bags of Part C (aggregate)

Stonblend Groutcoat

0.5 carton containing: 4 foil bags of Amine 4 poly bags of Resin
Stonkote CE4
0.25 carton containing: 6 foil bags of Amine 6 poly bags of Resin

Stonseal CF7

1 carton containing:
1 foil bag of Isocyanate
(1) 1 gallon pail of Polyol

COVERAGE

Each unit of Stonblend GSI will cover approximately 200 sq. ft./18.58 sq. m of surface at a nominal 3/16 in./5 mm thickness.

STORAGE CONDITIONS

Store all components of Stonblend GSI between 60 to 85°F/16 to 30°C in a dry area. Avoid excessive heat and do not freeze. The shelf life is 3 years in the original, unopened container except for Stonseal CF7 which is one year.

COLOR

Stonblend GSI is available in 12 standard colors. Refer to the Stonblend Color Sheet. Custom colors are available upon request.

SUBSTRATE

Stonblend GSI, with the appropriate primer, is suitable for application over concrete, wood, brick, quarry tile, metal or Stonhard Stonset grouts. For questions regarding other possible substrates or an appropriate primer, contact your local Stonhard representative or Technical Service.

SUBSTRATE PREPARATION

Proper preparation is critical to ensure an adequate bond and system performance. The substrate must be dry and properly prepared utilizing mechanical methods. Questions regarding substrate preparation should be directed to your local Stonhard representative or Technical Service.

PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS

Compressive Strength	6,000 psi
(ASTM C-579)	after 7 days
Tensile Strength	1,500 psi
(ASTM C-307)	
Flexural Strength	2,200 psi
(ASTM C-580)	
Flexural Modulus of Elasticity	5.0 x 10 ⁵ psi
(ASTM C-580)	
Hardness	85 to 90
(ASTM D-2240, Shore D)	
Impact Resistance	>160 in./lbs.
(ASTM D-2794)	
Abrasion Resistance	0.06 gm max. weight loss
(ASTM D-4060, CS-17)	
Flammability	Class 1
(ASTM E-648)	
Thermal Coefficient of	
Linear Expansion	9 x 10 ⁻⁶ in./in.°F
(ASTM C-531)	
VOC Content	Stonkote CE4 - 34 g/l
(ASTM D-2369, Method E)	Stonblend GSI Base - 17 g/l
.....	Stonblend Groutcoat - 52 g/l
.....	Stonseal CF7 - 47 g/l (Method C)
Cure Rate 12 hours for foot traffic (@ 77°F/25°C)	24 hours for normal operations

Note: The above physical properties were measured in accordance with the referenced standards. Samples of the actual floor system, including binder and filler, were used as test specimens. All sample preparation and testing is conducted in a laboratory environment, values obtained on field applied materials may vary and certain test methods can only be conducted on lab made test coupons.

PRIMING

The use of Stonkote CE4 is necessary for all applications of Stonblend GSI. The Stonkote CE4 must be tacky during the application of Stonblend GSI. If the primer becomes tack-free, the area must be re-primed prior to continuing the application.

MIXING

Proper mixing is critical for the product to exhibit the proper application properties, cure properties and ultimate physical properties. Mechanical mixing using a JB Blender (or equivalent 5 gal. pail mixer) or a larger mortar mixer (e.g., a Baugh 3 Batch Mixer) is required. See Stonblend GSI Directions for further details.

APPLYING

- DO NOT attempt to install material if the temperature of Stonblend GSI components and substrate are not within 60 to 85°F/16 to 30°C. The cure time and application properties of the material are severely affected at temperatures outside of this range.
- Material must be applied immediately after mixing.
- A suitable screed applicator is used to distribute the mixed Stonblend GSI onto the floor.
- Steel finishing trowels are used to compact and smooth the surface of the material to the required thickness.
- Two coats of Stonblend Groutcoat are applied to the floor wet-on-wet and are allowed to cure.
- Stonkote CE4 is applied to the floor and allowed to cure.
- Two coats of Stonseal CF7 is applied to the floor and allowed to cure.
- Detailed application instructions can be found in the Stonblend GSI Directions.

NOTES

- All material on-site must be counted, and all lot numbers recorded. If more than one lot number of Part C (Stonblend Aggregate) is found, provisions must be made for blending the different lot numbers to produce one uniform color. Contact Stonhard's Technical Service Department for additional details.
- Procedures for maintenance of the flooring system during operations are described in the Stonkleen Floor Cleaning Procedures Brochure.
- Specific information regarding chemical resistance is available in the Stonblend Chemical Resistance Guide.
- Safety Data Sheets for Stonblend GSI are available online at www.stonhard.com under Products or upon request.
- A staff of technical service engineers is available to assist with installation, or to answer questions related to Stonhard flooring products.
- Requests for technical service or literature can be made through local sales representatives and offices, or corporate offices located worldwide.
- The appearance of all floor, wall and lining systems will change over time due to normal wear, abrasion, traffic and cleaning. Generally, high-gloss coatings are subject to a reduction in gloss, while matte-finish coatings can increase in gloss level under normal operating conditions.
- Surface texture of resinous flooring surfaces can change over time as a result of wear and surface contaminants. Surfaces should be cleaned regularly and deep cleaned periodically to ensure no contaminant buildup occurs. Surfaces should be periodically inspected to ensure they are performing as expected and may require traction-enhancing maintenance to ensure they continue to meet expectations for the particular area and conditions of use.

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