

# MasterSeal 600

# Acrylic polymer liquid additive for cementitious mixes

### **DESCRIPTION**

MasterSeal 600 is an acrylic polymer liquid additive for cement mixes, designed to enhance their physical characteristics, ease application and increase wear and weather resistance.

## FIELD OF APPLICATION

In a Bonding Slurry Coat

- To adhere new concrete to old
- To bond thin polymer screeds or toppings to substrates
- To bond screeds and renders to dense substrates such as MasterSeal 581 and MasterSeal 583

#### For Polymer Flooring

- To provide an economic-wearing floor surface where a higher resistance to wear, abrasion, impact, dusting and/or to improve resistance to mild chemicals is required
- To correct inaccuracy in a floor slab level

#### In a Render Key Coat

- To provide a mechanical key prior to rendering on dense strong or smooth materials such as concrete, concrete block, concrete brick, engineering bricks and dense clay blocks
- To provide a keyed surface of uniform suction on surfaces of varying absorption rates

## For Modifying Renders

- To allow effective use of thinner renders
- To reduce shrinkage and dusting
- To increase durability, flexibility and weatherproofing

### For Patching and Repair Mortars

- For internal and external repairs to floors, roads, paths, etc
- For repair to spalled and damaged concrete

## As an Admixture for THORO Products

MasterSeal 600 is a necessary component of: MasterEmaco S 420

MasterSeal 600 is recommended for use with: MasterSeal 581

MasterSeal 600 should not be used where the application is likely to be in prolonged contact with hydrocarbons such as fuel oils, diesel oil and petrol.

## **FEATURES AND BENEFITS**

- Durable
- Unaffected by ultraviolet light or contact with water, so giving enhanced durability under all conditions
- Improved workability of cement mixes
- Aids the ease of application

- Improved physical characteristics of cement mixes
- Increases resistance to wear and weather
- \*Check local regulations in compliance with contact with drinking water or foodstuff.

## APPLICATION METHOD

Do not apply mixes modified with MasterSeal 600 to frozen substrates or if the ambient temperature is below 5°C or when the temperature is expected to fall below 5°C within 24 hours.

## As a Bonding Slurry

Blend Ordinary Portland Cement with neat MasterSeal 600 in a clean container at a ratio of 1½ - 2 parts cement to 1 part MasterSeal 600, by volume, until a smooth lump free consistency is achieved. This may be achieved by hand mixing or by slow speed power drill with paddle attachment.

Only apply the mix to a clean, prepared, sound surface that has been pre-dampened but has no free-standing water. Work the slurry well into the surface with a stiff brush or broom. Do not allow the slurry to dry out. Apply the mortar/concrete whilst the slurry is still tacky.

#### For Polymer Flooring

Dry mix sand and cement ensuring that the materials and proportions conform to the recognised flooring standards. Prepare the mixing liquid by blending equal parts of MasterSeal 600 and water together. Stir gently to avoid foaming.

For large areas, use a forced-action mixer of the rotating drum, pan or trough type, adding the mixing liquid to the drymixed mortar until the consistency is as dry as practicable but consistent with good compaction. Do not overmix. Small quantities can be thoroughly mixed by hand.

Apply the bonding slurry as described earlier in this datasheet. Never allow it to dry out. The mixed material should be spread out between temporarily placed screeding laths or bars to ensure a minimum depth of 10mm throughout. The maximum depth must not exceed 20mm but it is recommended that compaction takes place in layers not exceeding 15mm. The mix must be well compacted to obtain the maximum strength and benefits from the finished product.

Flat level surfaces are best obtained using a narrow aluminium screeding bar. The final smooth finish is achieved with a stainless steel trowel which must be kept clean. Do not over trowel; only sufficient trowelling to close the surface and eliminate pinholes is required.



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## In a Render Key Coat

Dry mix 2 parts of coarse sharp sand to 1 part of Ordinary Portland Cement. Add the mixing liquid of equal parts MasterSeal 600 and water until a slurry consistency is obtained.

Ensure that the surface has been prepared to a clean, sound condition free from any surface coating, algae, foreign matter or any other product that could affect the bond adversely. Brush the slurry vigorously into the pre-dampened surface. All pores and voids are filled with the mix and stippled or heavily textured. The best results are obtained with a stiff broom. Leave to harden overnight (at 20°C) before rendering.

## For Modifying Renders

Using materials in proportions that conform to recognised external rendering standards, dry mix the sand and cements. Add 1 part of MasterSeal 600 to 3 parts of water to provide the mixing liquid. Stir gently to avoid foaming. For large areas, use a forced-action mixer of the rotating drum, pan or trough type, adding the mixing liquid to the dry-mixed mortar until a cohesive mass suitable for trowel application is obtained. Do not overmix. Avoid adding too much liquid. Small quantities can be thoroughly mixed by hand.

Always apply the mix to a prepared surface that has been dampened. Apply the mix using standard plastering techniques; avoid exceeding the maximum designed depth of application.

For a smooth finish, the best results are obtained with a stainless steel trowel. Do not over trowel.

## For Patching and Repair Mortars

Dry mix 3 parts of clean sharp sand with 1 part Ordinary Portland Cement. Prepare the mixing liquid by blending equal parts of MasterSeal 600 and water together. Stir gently to avoid foaming. For large areas, use a forced-action mixer of the rotating drum, pan or trough type, adding the mixing liquid to the dry-mixed mortar until the consistency is as dry as practicable but consistent with good compaction. Small quantities can be thoroughly mixed by hand. Do not overmix.

Apply the bonding slurry, as described above, to the prepared patch or repair areas ensuring there is no free-standing water. If there is steel reinforcing in the repair, this must also be coated with slurry. Never allow the slurry to dry out. This mixed material must be firmly pushed into place and compacted with a trowel or float in layers not exceeding 15mm. The maximum layer per coat is 20mm; successive layers can be placed once the initial set has taken place.

This mix is not suitable for feather edging since the minimum recommended depth required is 10mm.

## **CURING**

The best results from mortars modified with MasterSeal 600 are obtained if they are damp cured for 24 hours and allowed to dry out gradually. Do not use curing compounds.

#### **PACKAGING**

MasterSeal 600 is available in 20 litre plastic containers.

#### **STORAGE**

Store in unopened containers in cool, dry conditions at ambient temperatures between +5 to +35°C.

## SHELF LIFE

Rotate stock in order not to exceed the shelf life of 12 months.

## HANDLING AND TRANSPORT

Usual preventive measures for the handling of chemical products should be observed when using this product, for example do not eat, smoke or drink while working and wash hands when taking a break or when the job is completed. Specific safety information referring the handling and transport of this product can be found in the Material Safety Data Sheet. For full information on Health and Safety matters regarding this product the relevant Health and Safety Data Sheet should be consulted.

Disposal of product and its container should be carried out according to the local legislation in force. Responsibility for this lies with the final owner of the product.

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Product Data		
Property	Unit	Data
Specific gravity of powder	kg/m3	1035
Solids content	% w/w	28
Maximum dilution	By volume	1:3

#### Strength comparison for 3:1 sand:cement mortar MasterSeal 600: **Property** Unit **Water Only** Water (1:1) 7 days 26.1 27.9 N/mm<sup>2</sup> Compressive strength 30.3 28 days 27.9 12.13 Flexural strength 28 days N/mm<sup>2</sup> 7.3 7 days 1.45 2.31 Tensile Strength N/mm<sup>2</sup> 2.35 28 days 1.52

7 days

28 days

Typical values at 20°C

Shear Strength

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N/mm<sup>2</sup>

#### **Health and Safety**

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The following general comments apply to all products.

As with all chemical products, care should be taken during use and storage to avoid contact with eyes, mouth, skin and foodstuffs, (which may also be tainted with vapour until the product is fully cured and dried). Treat splashes to eyes and skin immediately. If accidentally ingested, seek medical attention. Keep away from children and animals. Reseal containers after use.

#### Solvent Based Products

Use in well ventilated areas; avoid inhaling. Suitable respiratory equipment may be needed, eg when spraying. Can cause skin, eye irritation. Wear protective eye shields and gloves during use. Do not smoke or allow sparks or naked lights when stored or in use.

#### **Resin Products**

Can cause irritation, dermatitis or allergic reaction. Use protective equipment particularly for skin and eyes. Use only in well ventilated areas.

#### Spillage

Chemical products can cause damage; clean spillage immediately.

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