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# MCI®-2019 X

## **DESCRIPTION**

MCI®-2019 X is a 40% silane penetrating water repellent. It provides great protection for concrete against water ingress and other contaminants. MCI®-2019 X lines the pores of the concrete matrix with a hydrophobic layer and boosts the durability and service life of concrete structures. MCI®-2019 X can be conveniently applied on top of a penetrating surface applied corrosion inhibitor (SACI) for a full system of protection against moisture and corrosion.

# **PACKAGING & STORAGE**

MCI®-2019 X is available in 5 gallon (19 L) pails and 55 gallon (208 L) drums.

To ensure best product performance, store in original packaging, indoors, and out of direct sunlight at 40-100 °F (4-38 °C).

Shelf life: 2 years



#### **HOW IT WORKS**

MCI®-2019 X provides water repellency by chemically reacting with the cementitious substrate under proper application, decreasing the ingress of aggressive materials. If applied after a penetrating SACI, MCI®-2019 X prolongs the protection period of the corrosion inhibitor.

#### WHERE TO USE

- Commercial buildings
- Parking garages
- Bridge decks or bridge structures
- Tunnels
- Jetties/piers and other marine structures
- Offshore oil platforms (non-submerged applications)
- Any other reinforced concrete structure

# **ADVANTAGES**

- Lines the substrate pores with a hydrophobic layer while maintaining the original appearance
- Allows surfaces to remain fully breathable and maintain their natural moisture-vapor transmission
- Blocks carbonation and chloride ion intrusion
- Extends the service life of structures
- Easy application by spray, roller, or squeegee
- VOC compliant
- Contains no nitrites, phosphates, or chromates
- · No blushing, peeling, or yellowing

## **PHYSICAL PROPERTIES**

Appearance	Clear, colorless liquid	
Density	6.9-7.1 lb/gal (0.83-0.85 kg/L)	
VOC	<1.2 lb/gal (<140 g/L)	

#### PERFORMANCE DATA

Performance Criteria	Test Method	Results
Weight Gain During Saltwater Soak	NCHRP Series II	Testing on concrete (2" [5.08 cm] cubes, 21-day immersion in 15% NaCl, 5,000 psi concrete) showed a 75% reduction in weight gain.
Water Vapor Transmission	NCHRP Series II: ASTM C-156	MCI®-2019 X did not significantly alter water vapor transmission characteristics when coated samples were compared to uncoated samples.
Chloride Ion Intrusion	NCHRP Series II: ASTM C-1218	At 0.5-1" (1.27-2.54 cm) depth, 4% NaCl intrusion was determined on top of panel after 21 days. The MCI®-2019 X coated samples showed a 78% decrease in chloride ion penetration.
Accelerated Weathering Tests	NCHRP Series IV, Southern Exposure	Single coat application of 125 ft²/gal (3.06 m²/L) had zero discoloration and reduced chloride intrusion by 99%.
Scaling Resistance of Concrete Exposed to Deicing Chemicals	ASTM C672	Results show little to no change after 50 cycles of freeze-thaw with the use of deicing salts on treated concrete samples.

#### **COVERAGE**

Application rates will vary depending on surface porosity and number of applications. Approximate total coverage rate is 125-175 ft²/gal (3-4.3 m²/L). Cortec® recommends applying two coats, each at a coverage rate of 250-350 ft²/gal (6-8.6 m²/L). Perform preliminary tests before application to determine actual dosing.

# **SURFACE PREPARATION**

Surfaces should be sound, dry, clean, and free of all dust, dirt, oil, grease, laitance, efflorescence, sealers, coatings, curing compounds, waxes, membranes, asphalt, and other contaminants. Prepare concrete substrate to obtain a surface profile of approximately CSP 1-2 as per ICRI guidelines. Cleaning may be done by steam cleaning, water blasting, or sandblasting. In instances where concrete surfaces are uncoated, untreated, and exhibit cleanliness and structural integrity, additional preparation may not be necessary. *Note:* For additional corrosion protection, MCI®-2020 can be applied prior to applying MCI®-2019 X.

## **APPLICATION**

MCI®-2019 X may be applied to damp surfaces, although dry surfaces are preferred to achieve maximum penetration into the substrate.

Application can be performed using airless sprayer, roller, or brush. Sprayers should be fitted with solvent hoses and gaskets. For best results, we recommend a two-coat, wet-on-wet application technique; i.e., the surface is damp from first application but not glossy when the second coat (containing remaining recommended coverage rate) is applied. During application, precautions should be taken to protect the surrounding areas from overspray and runoff.

# **CONSIDERATIONS**

- Stir thoroughly before use
- Should be applied to sound, clean concrete that is free of oils, dirt, sealers, coatings, paints, membranes, or asphalt
- Should only be applied when temperatures are between 40-100 °F (5-37 °C)
- Should not be applied on extremely windy days when evaporation of the solvent would be too rapid
- Fresh concrete should be allowed to cure for 28 days before application; allow repair material to fully cure before applying MCI®-2019 X
- If a coating will be used over MCI®-2019 X, a seven-day waiting period is recommended before application of that coating; a compatibility test should be performed prior to application
- Allow 24 hours for curing if a membrane will be applied over MCI®-2019 X
- Should not be used on structures under hydrostatic pressure

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