

PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

Hi-Pon 20-12 STE Express is a two-pack, fast-drying, surface-tolerant, high solids epoxy mastic coating. It is an anti-corrosive primer and / or intermediate coating for corrosion protection of steel and other substrates in atmospheric environments.

INTENDED USE

Universal corrosion protection for all areas in aggressive environments. It is designed for areas where optimum surface preparation is not possible. Can be use for maintenance and repair. Recommended for use in refineries, power plants, bridges, tanks external and for structural steelwork in atmospheric environments.

GENERAL PROPERTIES

Colour	: Off-White & Grey
Gloss Level	: Semi-Gloss
Volume Solid	: 80 ± 2 %
Specific Gravity	: 1.78 ± 0.05 kg/l (Mixed)
Flash Point	: Base: 23 °C Hardener: 12 °C Mix: 23 °C
VOC	: 192 g/L (EPA Method 24)
Typical Thickness	: 70 – 200 µm dry film 88 – 250 µm wet film

SURFACE PREPARATION

All surfaces should be clean dry, and free from contamination. The surface should be assessed and treated in accordance with ISO 8504. Oil or grease should be removed in accordance with SSPC-SP1 solvent cleaning.

Abrasive Blast Cleaning

For optimum performance, abrasive blast clean to Sa 2½ (ISO 8501-1) or SSPC-SP10 with a surface profile of 50 – 75 microns (2 – 3 mils). If oxidation has occurred between the blasting and application of this product, the surface should be re-blasted to the specified visual standard. Surface defect revealed by the blast cleaning process should be ground, filled or treated in the appropriate manner.

Hand or Power Tool Cleaning

Hand or power tool clean to a minimum St2 (ISO 8501-1) or SSPC-SP2. Note, all scale must be removed and areas which cannot be prepared adequately by chipping or needle gun should be spot blasted to a minimum standard of Sa 2 (ISO 8501-1) or SSPC-SP6.

Other Surfaces

The coating may be used on other substrates. Please contact your local Nippon Paint office for more information.

**CONDITION DURING
APPLICATION**

Avoid paint application when the temperature is below 10 °C and relative humidity is above 85 %. The temperature of steel surface must be minimum 3 °C above dew point of surrounding air.

APPLICATION GUIDE

Mixing Ratio : **BASE** : **HARDENER**
3 : 1 (by volume)

Base and hardener should be mixed thoroughly before use with a mechanical agitator

Pot Life : 25 °C
50 mins

Theoretical Coverage : 11.4 m²/litre at 70 µm DFT
4.0 m²/litre at 200 µm DFT

Thinner : Hi-Pon Epoxy Thinner

Cleaner : Hi-Pon Epoxy Thinner

APPLICATION METHOD

Airless spray is recommended for application. Brush and roller are recommended for stripe coating and small areas. Care must be taken to achieve the specified dry film thickness.

APPLICATION DETAILS

Airless Spray : Tip Size : 0.015" – 0.025"
Pressure at nozzle : 150 – 200 bar

Drying Time	: Substrate Temperature	<u>25 °C</u>	<u>40 °C</u>
	Surface Dry	1.5 hrs	0.5 hrs
	Through Dry	3.5 hrs	1 hr
	Cured	7 days	3 days
	Dry to Overcoat (min)	3.5 hrs	1 hr
	Dry to Overcoat (max)	7 days	3 days
	Dry to Recoat (max)	Extended	

Remarks: Where an "extended" overcoating time is stated, consult Nippon Paint Protective Coatings for recommended surface preparation to achieve optimal intercoat adhesion.

The given data must be considered as guidelines only. The actual drying time/times before recoating may be shorter or longer, depending on film thickness, ventilation, humidity, underlying paint system, requirement for early handling and mechanical strength etc. A complete system can be described on a system sheet, where all parameters and special conditions

could be included.

HEAT RESISTANCE

Dry, Atmospheric

- Continuous : 100 °C
- Minimum : - 40 °C
- Intermittent : 120 °C

Intermittent temperature duration – 1 hour maximum

The temperatures listed relate to retention of protective properties. Aesthetic properties may suffer at these temperatures. Heat resistance is influenced by the total coating system. If used as part of a system, ensure all coatings in the system have similar heat resistance.

RECOMMENDED COATING SYSTEM

The following coating systems are recommended for Hi-Pon 20-12 STE Express:

Intermediate:

- Hi-Pon 30-02 Epoxy MIO 80
- Hi-Pon 30-03 Epoxy Midcoat 80

Top Coat:

- Hi-Pon 40-04 Epoxy Top Coat
- Hi-Pon 50-01 AS Polyurethane Top Coat
- Hi-Pon 50-03 Polyurethane Top Coat

For the choice of coating system for different application, refer to the product brochure or contact Nippon Paint for professional recommendation.

PACKAGING

<u>Unit</u>	<u>Base</u>		<u>Hardener</u>	
	Volume	Container Size	Volume	Container Size
4 L	3 L	5 L	1 L	1 L
20 L	15 L	20 L	5 L	5 L

STORAGE

Shelf Life Base : 12 months (25 °C)
 Hardener : 12 months (25 °C)

Subject to re-inspection thereafter. Higher temperature during storage may reduce the shelf life and may lead to gelling in the tin. Frequent temperature cycles may also shorten the shelf life.

Store in tightly closed container in a dry, cool and well-ventilated space, keep away from sources of heat and ignition.

SAFETY PRECAUTION

- This product is intended for use of professional applicators. Refer to the safety information display on the container and in the safety data sheet (SDS) before using the product.
- Use this product in well-ventilated area, avoid skin contact, spillage on the skin should immediately be removed with suitable cleanser, soap and water.
- Eye should be well flush with water and seek for medical attention immediately upon contact with this product.
- During the application, naked flame, welding operation and smoking is not allowed. Adequate ventilation should be provided.
- If you have any doubt regarding the suitability of use, refer to Nippon Paint for further advice.

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