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# NuCote<sup>™</sup> NuSkim

# TECHNICAL DATA SHEET

## **PRODUCT DESCRIPTION**

**NuCote NuSkim** is a single component cementitious and environmentally safe skimming and levelling mortar. **NuCote NuSkim** consists of dry cement, graded aggregates, polymers and chemical additives, which only require the addition of clean water to produce a rapid setting, shrink compensated and thixotropic smoothing mortar.

**NuCote NuSkim** can be used on most common substrates including concrete, under-coat plaster and fibre-cement boards on overheads, vertical and horizontal substrate. **NuCote NuSkim** is available in various colours.

#### ADVANTAGES

- The product can be applied both vertically and horizontally.
- Performance: Excellent bond to concrete and other cementitious substrates without priming.
- Low permeability gives excellent resistant to attack by elements.
- Shrinkage compensated.
- Can be left as fair face finish or over-coated.

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### **APPLICATION AREAS**

- Structural repairs to concrete structures.
- Scrapper coat over cement plaster.
- Hair line crack filler on plaster.
- All types of concrete structural repair which could be applied by trowel.
- Skim coat

DESCRIPTION	RESULTS
Compressive Strength	>30 Mpa
Flexural Strength	>5 Mpa
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Application Time	25 Minutes (25°C)
Coverage	2 kg/m <sup>2</sup> at 1mm thickness.
Application Thickness	0.5 – 5 mm

The above results are based on water/powder ratio of 6.5 - 7 litres of clean tap water per 25 Kg bag. Results are affected by product storage conditions, temperature, water content, curing regime, sample quality, compaction and equipment used to prepare samples and conduct actual testing.

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#### PACKAGING

NuCote NuSkim is available in 25 kg bags.

#### STORAGE AND STABILITY

**NuCote NuSkim** has a shelf life of 12 months when stored in the original containers in a cool, dry place. Failure to do so will result in a reduction of shelf life.

#### WORKABILITY

Once mixed, **NuCote NuSkim** allows for easy application. Application time at 25°C is 25 minutes.

#### INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

SUBSTRATE SURFACE PREPARATION

Concrete substrate must be structurally sound. Remove all oil, grease, paint, corrosion, dust, surface deposits, laitance, or algae. Prepare the surface by abrasive grit blasting or light scabbling.

#### WATER SATURATION

Prepared substrate should be saturated with clean tap water, not allowed to dry out completely but should reach Saturated Surface Dry (SSD) condition before application. Any residual surface water must be removed before application of **NuCote NuSkim**. No primer is required under normal circumstances.

#### **MIXING INSTRUCTION**

- NuCote NuSkim should be mixed with a mechanical mixer (slow speed (500 rpm) heavy duty drill with paddles is acceptable).
- Add 6.5 7 litre of water per bag into a clean mixing container. Transfer NuCote NuSkim into the mixing container while mixing.
- After all material has been transferred into the mixing vessel, mix for 3 5 minutes until the mix becomes fully homogenous. Water level can be adjusted (6.5 7 litres per 25 kg bag) to achieve desired consistency. Use of part-bags is not recommended.

#### PRODUCT LAYING INSTRUCTION

Apply immediately after mixing using a steel trowel to the required thickness.

**NuCote NuSkim** can be finished by roller, brush, sponge or trowel depending on consistency and finish required. When laying the product ensure the substrate has been pre-wetted and has achieved surface saturation dryness condition. Final finishing should be carried out by steel float after the material has been allowed to stiffen al ittle bit.

The final surface finish can be obtained in the following application method:

• Rough Surface: Finish with a roller or brush

• Smooth Surface: Finish with a sponge or steel trowel. Note: Do not use water for surface finish. This method will weaken the product.

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#### LIMITATIONS

- Do not use NuCote NuSkim at temperatures below 15°C and temperature above 30°C.
- Do not expose the product to running water during application or while still in a plastic state.
- Application thickness should be in the following range: 1 mm 2 mm.
- Yield: Mixed with 7 Litres of water will yield not less than 19 Litres

#### CLEANING

COLOURS

Clean hands and skin immediately after use with industrial hand cleaner. Clean tools and equipment immediately after use with water.

Bavarian Cream
Bittersweet
Black Forest
Careless Wisper
Cinnamon Toast
Cracker Bread
Crème Brulé
French Nougat
Frozen Oreo
Mochaccino Coffee
Mustang Alley
Soft Serve
Timber Wolf
Tumbleweed
Wild Truffle



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#### HEALTH AND SAFETY INFORMATION

Wear a dust mask when mixing **NuCote NuSkim**. Suitable gloves and eye protection should be worn at all times.

In case of contact with the eyes, rinse immediately with plenty of water and seek medical advice. If inhaled move to fresh air. Consult a physician after significant exposure. If swallowed, clean mouth with water and drink afterwards plenty of water. Do not induce vomiting without medical advice. In case of skin contact, take off contaminated clothing and shoes immediately. Wash off with soap and plenty of water. Consult a physician when in contact with existing open wounds.

For information and advice on the safe handling, storage and disposal of chemical products, users shall refer to the most recent **Material Safety Data Sheet** containing physical, ecological, toxicological, and other safety-related data.

The Material Safety Data applicable to the handling of epoxy raw materials should be read, understood, and rigidly adhered to. These are available on request from **NuCote**.

#### AUTHORISED TECHNICAL PERSONNEL

Please note that only **NuCote** Authorised Technical Personnel are permitted to change any information in this datasheet or provide recommendations concerning the use of this product. Visit **www.nucote.co.za** for a current datasheet and materials safety datasheet.

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**NuCote** does not warrant or guarantee the installation of the products as it does not have control of the installation or end use of the products. If **NuCote NuSkim** is applied in accordance with the appropriate method statement issued for the specific project, by an approved applicator, and the substrate complies with the minimum requirements, then the system is to last for the life of the sealer or topcoat applied over it.

We discourage placing **NuCote NuSkim** on a substandard substrate in terms of compressive and tensile adhesion strength, or badly prepared substrate.

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