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# NuCote<sup>™</sup> Structural Screed

# TECHNICAL DATA SHEET

#### PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

**NuCote Structural Screed** is a one component, fast setting concrete slab reinstatement micro concrete. It is supplied as a ready to use blend of dry powders that only require the addition of clean water. It produces a good consistent, semi-flowable, shrink compensated, polymer modified cementitious repair mortar that will set faster than traditional cement mortars. The product is formulated for trowel application. Once mixed and applied it develops high early strength with good resistance to sulphate attack, carbonation, chloride ingress and freeze/thaw.

## ADVANTAGES

- Semi flowable Rapid application of large quantities.
- Single component
- Simple to mix and apply.
- Excellent resistant to attack by aggressive chemicals.
- Excellent adhesion to concrete.
- Shrinkage compensated.
- Excellent freeze/thaw resistance.
- Extends life of concrete and repairs.
- Fast return to service.
- Can be bulked.
- Low permeability

## **APPLICATION AREAS**

- Structural repairs to concrete.
- Parking garages
- Factory floors
- Decks and slabs
- Restoration of spalled and damaged concrete.
- Repairs to honeycomb.

TECHNICAL DATA	
DESCRIPTION	RESULTS
Compressive Strength ASTM C109	> 25 Mpa (24 Hours) > 30 Mpa (7 Days) > 45Mpa (28 Days)
Flexural Strength ASTM C580	>8 Mpa
Expansion	< 0.5 %
Initial Set Vicat	< 20 Minutes
Final Set Vicat	< 30 Minutes

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The above results are based on water content of 3.8 litres per 25 Kg bag (water/powder ration of 0.15). Results are affected by product storage conditions, temperature, water content, curing regime, sample quality, compaction method, and equipment used to prepare samples and conduct test.

#### PACKAGING

**NuCote Structural Screed** is available in 25 kg bags. Water addition is 3 - 4 litres.

#### Yield

Approximately 12 Litres per bag.

#### STORAGE AND STABILITY

NuCote Structural Screed 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.

#### SURFACE PREPARATION

**NuCote** issues method statements or installation guidelines for all its products that are being used in various areas of application. The method statement must be considered or referred to prior to beginning the actual work. Concrete substrate must be structurally sound. Remove all oil, grease, paint, corrosion, dust and surface deposits. This can be done by wire brush, sand blasting or grinding. Saw cut around the edge of the repair to a minimum depth of 10 mm. Reinforcing steel should be fully exposed with enough room behind the steel to place the repair mortar.

#### SUBSTRATE REQUIREMENTS

When application thickness is less than 25 mm: The concrete substrates must achieve a minimum compressive strength of 25 MPa and 1.5 MPa in tensile adhesion strength. The surface must be laitance free with no dust of loose materials. The moisture content should always be monitored and be less than 5 % with no rising damp. Ensure DPM's are placed under the concrete screeds.

#### PRIMING

After the substrate has been prepared, ensure it is wetted with water for a minimum of 2 hours and not allowed to dry out. No priming is required if the substrate has been wetted and has achieved Saturated Surface Dry (SSD) conditions before placing the mortar.

If the substrate cannot be wetted to achieve Saturated Surface Dry (SSD) conditions, it must be primed with **NuCote MT Primer** or **NuCote GP Primer** and broadcast with **NuCote Scatter Agg 1** to improve the bonding. The mortar should be applied while the applied primer is still tacky.

#### MIXING

Add 3.8 litres of water per 25 kg bag of **NuCote Structural Screed** into a clean mixing container. Pour the desired amount of water into the mixing container for full bag mixing and mix for 3 - 5 minutes, until the mix is completely homogenous. Water level can be adjusted (3 - 4 litres of water per 25 kg bag) to achieve desired consistency. Use of part-bags is not recommended.

#### **APPLICATION**

The mixed material should be applied immediately after mixing is completed. Ensure thorough compaction on application around the edges and reinforcement. The application of **NuCote Structural Screed** is then finished by trowel. NuCote Structural Screed can be applied from a minimum thickness of 10 mm and to a maximum thickness of 50 mm. **NuCote Structural Screed** can be extended with **NuCote Bulking Stone** up to 1:1 by weight and the maximum horizontal thickness increased to 150 mm. Experimental mixes can be conducted to establish the exact amount of aggregate that can be added and the water content to be used. It is not recommended to apply less than 10 mm thickness when **NuCote Structural Screed** is extended with the recommended aggregates.

#### POT LIFE AND CURING

Once mixed the product has a pot life of 30 minutes. Once placed allow the product to cure in accordance with good concrete practice for about seven days.

#### LIMITATIONS

Do not use **NuCote Structural Screed** 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.

#### CLEANING

Clean hands and skin immediately after use with tap water. Clean tools and equipment immediately after use with water.

#### COLOUR

Once cured the product is cement grey in colour.

#### SAFETY AND HANDLING

Wear a dust mask when mixing **NuCote Structural Screed.** Suitable gloves and eye protection should be worn at all times. Should the product come into contact with the eyes, wash immediately.

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#### HEALTH AND SAFETY INFORMATION

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 plenty of water afterwards. 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 cement based 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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#### WARRANTIES

NuCote supplies products that comply with the properties as shown on the current product datasheets. NuCote Structural Screed is guaranteed to be free of any manufacturing defects. In the event that products supplied are proved not to comply with these properties, then NuCote will replace the non-complaint product or refund the purchase price. Any suspected defects must be reported to NuCote in writing within five working days of being detected.

**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 Structural Screed** 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 substrate requirements and contact slabs have damp proof membranes and good drainage installed prior to the casting of the concrete screed, then the system is to last for the life of the sealer or topcoat applied over it.

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

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In accordance with ISO 9001:2015 and the Occupational Health and Safety Act (Act 85 of 1993), herewith Product and Safety Data Sheet.	
We hereby confirm that we have received a Product and Safety Data Sheet for NuCote <sup>™</sup> Structural Screed system and are returning the obsolete copies.	
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