1. PRODUCT NAME
SPARTACOTE™ Surface Build Pigment Base

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3. PRODUCT DESCRIPTION
SPARTACOTE® Surface Build Pigment Base (formerly, SPARTACOTE SL Topping) is a high performance semi self-leveling, multi-purpose pigmented epoxy coating. It provides excellent physical and mechanical properties.

Available SPARTACOTE® Surface Build Pigment colors:
Light Grey, Medium Grey, Black and Sand Beige

Uses
• Food processing floors
• Laboratories
• Pharmaceutical Plants
• Waste water treatment facilities
• Aisle ways/Walkways

Advantages
• High solids, multi-purpose epoxy
• Semi self-leveling
• High gloss finish

- Low VOC
- USDA compliant (FDA/CFSAN U.S. Food Code 6.101.11 Surface Characteristics)
- Acceptable for use in broadcast systems
- Tintable with SPARTACOTE® Surface Build Pigments
- Excellent chemical and abrasion resistance
- Combine with SPARTACOTE® Blended Quartz to create a troweled epoxy mortar

Suitable Substrates
• Concrete
• Tile
• SPARTACOTE® Epoxy Floor Systems

Packaging
9805-0005-2 Full Kit: 5 gal (18.9L) Kit
- Part A: 2.7 gal (10.2L) in a 5 gal (18.9L) pail
- Part B: 1.7 gal (6.4L) in a 3.5 gal (13.2L) pail
- Surface Build Pigment: 0.6 gal (2.3L) pail - Sold Separately

Approximate Coverage

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<tr>
<td>10.0 mils</td>
<td>9.9 mils</td>
<td>160 ft²/gal</td>
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<td>(0.25 mm)</td>
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<td>(2.9 m²/L)</td>
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<td>12.0 mils</td>
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<td>120 ft²/gal</td>
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<td>(0.30 mm)</td>
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<td>(3.9 m²/L)</td>
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WFT = Wet Film Thickness
DFT = Dry Film Thickness

Coverage values are approximate and will vary based on surface condition, preparation methods and application technique.

Approximate Coverage (Troweled Mortar)

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<td>3/16”-1/4”</td>
<td>60-65 ft²/gal</td>
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<td>(4.8-6.4 mm)</td>
<td>(1.5-1.6 m²/L)</td>
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**Shelf Life**  
Factory sealed containers of this product are guaranteed to be of first quality for two (2) years.

**Limitations**  
- Substrate temperature must be between 50°F (10°C) and 90°F (32°C)  
- Ambient relative humidity must not exceed 90%  
- Substrate temperature must be 5°F (3°C) above the dew point  
- Product is not UV stable and intended for interior applications only

**Cautions**  
- FOR PROFESSIONAL USE ONLY  
- Thoroughly read all technical data sheets, application guidelines, warranty disclaimers and Safety Data Sheets (SDS) prior to use. Application guides are available at www.laticrete.com.  
- Wear protective gloves, protective clothing and eye protection.  
- Causes severe skin burns. May cause an allergic skin reaction. If skin irritation or rash occurs: Get medical advice/attention  
- Causes serious eye damage. If in eyes: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. Immediately call a doctor.  
- Harmful if swallowed. If swallowed: Rinse mouth. DO NOT induce vomiting. Call a physician immediately  
- Keep out of reach of children.

**4. TECHNICAL DATA**  
**VOC/LEED Product Information**  
15 g/L (as intended for use)

**Working Properties**

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<td>90°F (32°C)</td>
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<td>Maximum Re-Coat Time</td>
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<td>75°F (24°C)</td>
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<td>48 hours</td>
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Working properties based on stated temperature and 50% RH. Changes in ambient conditions may cause times to vary.

Specifications subject to change without notification. Results shown are typical but reflect test procedures used. Actual field performance will depend on installation methods and site conditions.

**5. INSTALLATION**  
SPARTACOTE Surface Build Pigment Base is not UV stable. When used as a base resin ensure that an appropriate system build and topcoat is utilized to meet application requirements. Consult a LATICRETE Technical Service Representative for best options.

It is recommended to prime all surfaces to be coated prior to application of SPARTACOTE Surface Build Pigment Base. The use of a primer will increase adhesion to the substrate and reduce the occurrence of fisheyes, blistering, pinholes & outgassing. Ensure that proper re-coat windows are observed. See applicable primer technical data sheet for surface preparation requirements.

Compatible SPARTACOTE Primers:  
- SPARTACOTE General Primer (DS 622.6)  
- SPARTACOTE Oil Tolerant Primer (DS 622.9)  
- SPARTACOTE WB Epoxy Primer (DS 085.8)  
- LATICRETE® VAPOR BAN™ ER (DS 35216.0)  
- SPARTACOTE Moisture Vapor Barrier (DS 087.5)

**Surface Preparation - Concrete**  
Surfaces to be coated must be free of grease and any other contaminants that may impede adhesion. Always check the surface for any bond inhibitors prior to application. Any repairs must be addressed prior to application and should be repaired in accordance with ICRI standards.

Concrete must be mechanically profiled to an ICRI CSP-3 to 5. Ensure that all surface laitance is removed prior
to coating. The prepared surface should have a tensile pull-off strength of 200 psi (1.4 MPa) or greater when tested in accordance with ASTM C1583. If wet grinding, allow surface to completely dry prior to coating.

Concrete must be tested for relative humidity (RH) prior to installation of any coatings. The RH of the slab must not exceed 75% as tested per ASTM F2170. If RH measures 75% or greater, use LATICRETE VAPOR BAN ER or SPARTACOTE Moisture Vapor Barrier.

Substrate defects (voids, bugholes, divots, etc.) should be filled smooth with surrounding substrate surface with SPARTACOTE Epoxy Fill Coat (see technical data sheet DS 623.3 for application instructions) prior to the application of SPARTACOTE Surface Build Pigment Base.

Surface Preparation - Over existing tile
Refer to TDS 450: Installation Guideline for Installing SPARTACOTE over Existing Tiled Surfaces

Mixing
SPARTACOTE Surface Build Pigment Base is designed to be used with SPARTACOTE Surface Build Pigments and is provided in pre-measured units. A full kit when mixed will yield 5 gal (18.9 L) of material.

Add full unit 0.6 gal (2.3L) of SPARTACOTE Surface Build Pigments to Part A and mechanically mix separately for 1-2 minutes to fully disperse pigments. Mix pre-measured unit of pigmented Part A with pre-measured unit of Part B for 2-3 minutes until a uniform color and consistency is achieved. Pour mix directly onto the primed concrete.

Application
SPARTACOTE Surface Build Pigment Base may be applied by notched squeegee or SPARTACOTE resin broom. Suggested application thickness is 10-12 mils (0.25 - 0.3 mm) but can be applied up to a maximum of 40 mils (1.0 mm) in a single coat. For increased thickness, seeding with aggregate or multiple coats is recommended. Spread evenly over all primed surfaces and backroll with a short nap or spiked roller to deaerate and level.

For broadcast systems, immediately following the backroll and while the material is still wet broadcast media with either a mechanical sprayer or by hand in a "rainfall pattern" into the wet resin to refusal or rejection.

For improved UV stability, abrasion, stain resistance, and chemical resistance a top coat is recommended. Consult a LATICRETE Technical Service Representative for best options.

To optimize inter-coat adhesion, appropriate recoat times must be observed. Exposure of the coating to direct sunlight will considerably shorten the recoat times.

If recommended recoat times are exceeded, consult a LATICRETE Technical Service Representative; sanding or abrasive blasting may be required.

With all epoxies after priming and before each additional coat, examine the surface for amine blush (oily film). If present, remove by cleaning the surface with acetone.

Mixing (Troweled Mortar)
SPARTACOTE Surface Build Pigment Base may be mixed with aggregate to create a pigmented troweled mortar.

IMPORTANT: Priming of the substrate is required prior to applying epoxy mortar to ensure substrate adhesion.

Begin by adding full unit of SPARTACOTE Surface Build Pigment (0.6 gal [2.3L]) to the Part A pail and mechanically mix separately for 1-2 minutes to fully disperse pigments.

For mixing troweled mortar, its recommended to use a concrete mortar mixer. Combine 84 fl.oz. (2.5L) of previously pigmented Part A with 44 fl.oz. (1.3L) of Part B and mix until a uniform color and consistency is achieved. Slowly add 60 lbs (27 kg) quartz aggregate, mixing continuously until all material is wetted and a uniform consistency mortar is achieved.

Apply mixed mortar directly onto the primed concrete.

Application (Troweled Mortar)
SPARTACOTE Surface Build Pigment Base troweled mortar should be spread evenly over the floor with a gauge rake or trowel to desired thickness. Suggested application thickness is 3/16" - 1/4" (4.8-6.4 mm). Finish with a power trowel (with plastic blade for protection) or finishing trowel.

Coverage rates will vary depending on surface profile, application thickness and degree of compaction during troweling.

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Notes
Mock-ups and field test areas are required in order to
validate performance and appearance related characteristics (including but not limited to color, inherent surface variations, wear, anti dusting, abrasion resistance, chemical resistance, stain resistance, coefficient of friction, etc.) to ensure system performance as specified for the intended use, and to determine approval of the coating system.

Variability in job site conditions (including but not limited to surface preparation, sunlight, humidity, dew point, temperature, etc.) during application of SPARTACOTE products may lead to fisheyes, blistering, pinholes, wrinkling, or outgassing of air in the concrete and are not product defects. Double priming, shading or evening application may be required.

Cleaning
Use acetone or xylene to clean tools and equipment.

6. AVAILABILITY AND COST
Availability
LATICRETE materials are available worldwide.

For Distributor Information, Call:
Toll Free: 1.800.243.4788
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For on-line distributor information, visit LATICRETE at laticrete.com

Cost
Contact a LATICRETE Distributor in your area.

7. WARRANTY
See 10. FILING SYSTEM:
- DS 230.13: 1 Year Product Warranty

8. MAINTENANCE
The long term performance, appearance, and life expectancy of wear surface products are critically dependent upon a good routine maintenance program designed specifically for the installed wear surface. SPARTACOTE™ floor coating systems are nonporous, causing dirt and contaminants to remain on the surface. The use of properly placed walk-off mats, inside and outside, will help increase the life of the floor. Recommend maintenance program consist on frequent and through cleaning utilizing a neutral pH cleaner. Frequency of washing will vary depending on floor usage type, traffic and age. Please Refer to TDS 420 “SPARTACOTE™ Floor Maintenance Guide” available at www.laticrete.com for more information.

9. TECHNICAL SERVICES
Technical Assistance
Information is available by calling the LATICRETE Technical Service Hotline:
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Technical and Safety Literature
To acquire technical and safety literature, please visit our website at laticrete.com.

10. FILING SYSTEM
Additional product information is available on our website at laticrete.com. The following is a list of related documents:
- DS 230.13: LATICRETE Product Warranty
- TDS 420: SPARTACOTE Floor Maintenance Guide
- DS 623.3: SPARTACOTE Epoxy Fill Coat
- DS 623.4: SPARTACOTE Surface Build Pigments
- DS 622.6: SPARTACOTE General Primer
- DS 622.9: SPARTACOTE Oil Tolerant Primer
- DS 085.8: SPARTACOTE WB Epoxy Primer
- DS 35216.0 LATICRETE VAPOR BAN ER
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