# Water-repellent treatment for face brick

#### **DESCRIPTION**

<u>ChemSil S</u> is a single-component, clear penetrating, breathable silane-siloxane water repellent for use on exterior face brick and masonry to provide a hydrophobic surface to the pore structure.

#### **USES**

<u>ChemSil</u> S is a clear-coating water repellent that also enhances self-cleaning properties to substrates such as:

- General exterior water repellent
- Protection of face brick structures
- Masonry finishes.

It also minimizes the unsightly forming of efflorescence on brickwork.

#### **FEATURES AND BENEFITS**

- Effective on new or old structures
- Inhibits penetration of soot and grime; reduces unsightly staining
- Easily applied by brush or spray
- Preserves natural color and texture of treated surfaces
- Excellent water repelling properties
- Colourless
- Excellent resistance to weathering
- Water vapor permeable, breathable
- Significantly reduces water absorption
- No discoloring or staining
- Reduces water and chloride intrusion
- Reduces efflorescence
- Allows water vapor to migrate from the structure

#### **SURFACE PREPARATION**

All surfaces should be clean, dry and free from loose, weak or foreign substances such as oil, grease, loose particles, laitance, curing compounds, vegetation and algae growth. Algae or similar growths must be removed using a detergent biocide type cleaner. Rinse thoroughly and allow drying.

## RESISTANCE TO WATER

Hydrophobic properties repel rain thus inhibiting the ingress of surface water, provided there is no hydrostatic pressure. Permeability:

(a) To water contaminated with chlorides, dust, soot and other materials are very low. The leaching of soluble salts from brickwork and other mineral substrates causes efflorescence, also the absorption



Physical Properties	
Consistency	Low viscosity liquid
Colour	Clear colorless
Relative Density	0.76
Solids (typical)	6% v/v
To obtain the full benefits of ChemSil S, it is important to adhere to the coverage rates and coating times.	
Number of coat	2 flood coats
Over coating time	2hours@20°C
Coverage	5 m²/litre

of atmospheric-borne particles by brickwork and stone often lead to surface degradation. These are all minimized.

(b) Water vapor dissipates easily, allowing building surfaces and other similar substrates to 'breathe' naturally.

### **COVERAGE**

As cited in the table above.

Note: Coverage will vary due to wastage factors and the variation of substrate profiles and permeability.

#### **APPLICATION**

ChemSil S is best applied by using portable spray equipment, typically a knapsack unit or garden type spray. ChemSil S should be allowed to dry for a minimum of 2 hours (at 20° C) before continuing.

#### **CAUTION**

ChemSil S should not be contaminated with water. Do not apply ChemSil S if the temperature of the substrate is below 2° C. Ensure that all glass is adequately protected before applying ChemSil S.

#### **CLEANING**

Use Chem Coats super brush cleaner immediately after use to clean tools and equipment.

Note: All tools and equipment must be dry and

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moisture free, contamination will impair the product's we advise customers in their own interest to ensure that performance, i.e. ensure the spray equipment is clean a this data sheet has not been superseded by a more up-toand dry before filling the equipment with ChemSil S.

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#### **MODEL SPECIFICATION**

A single-component, clear penetrating, breathable silane siloxane water repellent for use on exterior face brick and masonry to provide a hydrophobic surface to the pore structure.

The surface protection coating will consist of

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ChemSil S with a minimum of 6% volume solids silane / siloxane content, clear liquid coating applied in two flood coats at a rate of not less than 5 m<sup>2</sup>/litre.

#### **PACKAGING**

ChemSil S is supplied in 05, 25 and 200 litre containers.

#### **HANDLING & STORAGE**

ChemSil S has a shelf life of 12 months if kept in a dry cool place in the original, packaging. In more extreme conditions this period might be shortened.

#### **HEALTH & SAFETY**

ChemSil S is toxic and flammable. Ensure the working area is well ventilated during application and drying. Avoid flames in vicinity. Always wear gloves when working with the material and avoid excessive inhalation and skin contact. If material is splashed in the eye, wash with copious quantities of clean water and seek medical attention.

Cured ChemSil S is inert and harmless.

## **FLASH POINT**

ChemSil S: 36° C

# **IMPORTANT NOTE**

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