



### PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

Stonclad GS is a three-component, troweled, epoxy mortar system. The system consists of an epoxy resin, amine curing agent and selected, graded aggregates blended with inorganic pigments. Stonclad GS can be applied at thickness ranging from 1/8 in./3 mm to 1/4 in./6 mm depending on application requirements. Stonclad GS cures to an extremely hard, impact resistant mortar which exhibits excellent abrasion, wear and chemical resistance.

### USES, APPLICATIONS

Stonclad GS is formulated as a general service epoxy system for applications requiring superior impact and abrasion resistance with good chemical resistance. Stonclad GS may be used as a protective overlay on new floors, or to repair and restore old, worn surfaces.

### SUBSTRATE

Stonclad GS, with the appropriate primer, is suitable for application over concrete, wood, brick, quarry tile or metal. Not recommended for use on asphalt, mastic, gypsum based products or painted surfaces. These must first be removed by mechanical means to expose the substrate prior to priming and overlayment.

### SYSTEM OPTIONS

#### Coatings

To improve cleanability and increase the resistance to damage from abrasion and chemical spillages, the following coatings are recommended: Stonkote GS4, Stonkote HT4, Stoncrest GS3, Stonseal GS6 and Stonseal GS7.

#### Waterproofing

Where the total system must be waterproof, use of Stonhard's Stonproof ME7 membrane system is required, with strict adherence to application instructions.

#### Cove Base

To provide for an integral seal at the joint between the floor and the wall, cove bases in heights from 2 to 6 in./5 to 15 cm may be specified.

#### Fiberglass Reinforcement

To provide additional surface strength to the system, a surface veil of fiberglass reinforcement should be installed for areas exposed to instantaneous temperature changes of greater than 100°F/38°C.

### PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS

<b>Compressive Strength</b> . . . . .	10,000 psi
(ASTM C-579)	after 7 days
<b>Tensile Strength</b> . . . . .	1,750 psi
(ASTM C-307)	
<b>Flexural Strength</b> . . . . .	4,000 psi
(ASTM C-580)	
<b>Flexural Modulus of Elasticity</b> . . . . .	2.0 x 10 <sup>6</sup> psi
(ASTM C-580)	
<b>Hardness</b> . . . . .	85 to 90
(ASTM D-2240, Shore D)	
<b>Bond Strength</b> . . . . .	>400 psi
(ASTM D-7234)	(100% concrete failure)
<b>Impact Resistance</b> . . . . .	>160 in./lbs.
(ASTM D-2794)	
<b>Abrasion Resistance</b> . . . . .	0.1 gm max. weight loss*
(ASTM D-4060, CS-17)	
<b>Coefficient of Friction (Dry)</b> . . . . .	0.83*
(ASTM F-1679)	
<b>Slip Resistance Index (Wet)</b> . . . . .	0.66*
(ASTM F-1679)	
<b>Flammability</b> . . . . .	Class 1
(ASTM E-648)	
<b>Thermal Coefficient of</b>	
<b>Linear Expansion</b> . . . . .	1.5 x 10 <sup>-5</sup> in./in.°C
(ASTM C-531)	
<b>Water Absorption</b> . . . . .	0.2%
(ASTM C-413)	
<b>Heat Resistance Limitation</b> . . . . .	140°F/60°C
	(continuous exposure)
	200°F/93°C
	(intermittent spills)
<b>Cure Rate</b> . . . . .	24 hours for normal operations
(at 75°F/25°C)	

*\*Test samples finished with one coat of high solids epoxy coating*

**Note:** The above physical properties were measured in accordance with the referenced standards. Samples of the actual floor system, including binder and filler, were used as test specimens.

### PACKAGING

Stonclad GS is packaged in units for easy handling. Each unit consists of:

2 cartons, each containing:

6 foil bags of Part A (curing agent)

6 poly bags of Part B (resin)

12 individual bags of Part C (aggregate)

## COVERAGE

Each unit of Stonclad GS will cover approximately 200 sq. ft./18.58 sq. m of surface at a nominal 1/4 in./6 mm thickness.

## STORAGE CONDITIONS

Store all components of Stonclad GS between 60 to 85°F/16 to 30°C in a dry area. Avoid excessive heat and do not freeze. The shelf life is 3 years in the original, unopened container.

## COLOR

Stonclad GS is available in 12 standard colors. Refer to the Stonclad Color Sheet.

## SUBSTRATE PREPARATION

Proper preparation is critical to ensure an adequate bond. The substrate must be dry and free of all wax, grease, oils, fats, soil, loose or foreign materials and laitance. Laitance and unbonded cement particles must be removed by mechanical methods, i.e., abrasive blasting or scarifying. Other contaminants may be removed by scrubbing with a heavy-duty industrial detergent (Stonklean DG9) and rinsing with clean water. The surface must show open pores throughout and have a sandpaper texture. For recommendations or additional information regarding substrate preparation, contact Stonhard's Technical Service Department.

## PRIMING

The use of Standard Primer is necessary for all applications of Stonclad GS over all substrates except Stonset grouts. Over Stonset grouts, Stonhard's Stonset Primer is used. The Standard or Stonset Primer must be tacky during the application of Stonclad GS. If the primer becomes tack-free, the area must be re-primed prior to continuing the application.

## MIXING

- Empty the entire contents of one foil bag of Part A (liquid) and one poly bag of Part B (liquid) into a mixing pail.
- Place the mixing pail on a JB Power Blender and activate the timer to start the one minute blending cycle.
- When the blender stops, reactivate the timer and immediately pour the entire contents of one bag of Part C (aggregate) into the rotating pail. Allow the contents to mix for the complete one minute cycle.

- When the blender stops, scrape off excess from the mixing blade and remove the pail, delivering it to the floor area for application.

## POT LIFE

After mixing, Stonclad GS has a working time of approximately 25 minutes at 70°F/21°C. The working time will vary depending upon temperature.

## APPLYING

- Material must be used immediately after mixing.
- A Screed Applicator is used to distribute the mixed Stonclad GS onto the floor.
- Steel finishing trowels are used to compact and smooth the surface of the material to the required thickness.
- Detailed instructions on application and installation can be found in Stonhard's Stonclad GS Directions.

## RECOMMENDATIONS

- DO NOT attempt to install material if the temperature of Stonclad GS components and substrate are not within 60 to 85°F/16 to 30°C. **The cure time and application properties of the material are severely affected at temperatures outside of this range.**
- DO NOT use water or steam in the vicinity of the application. **Moisture can seriously affect the working time and other properties.**
- The use of NIOSH/MSHA approved respirators and safety glasses is recommended.
- Avoid contact with all liquid Parts A and B as they may cause skin and/or eye irritation. Workmen should cover hands with rubber gloves.
- Use only with adequate ventilation.

## NOTES

- Procedures for maintenance of the flooring system during operations are described in the Stonclad Cleaning Procedures.
- Specific information regarding chemical resistance is available in the Stonclad Chemical Resistance Guide.
- Material Safety Data Sheets for Stonclad GS are available upon request.
- A staff of technical service engineers is available to assist with installation or to answer questions related to Stonhard flooring products.
- Requests for technical service or literature can be made through local sales representatives and offices, or corporate offices located worldwide.

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