

# Deso Dye

interior dye concentrates  
for polished concrete surfaces



## DESCRIPTION

Deso Dye is a high strength, concentrated, penetrating colorant intended to be used over concrete (regular/polymer modified) surfaces. Deso Dye can be used to create a range of affects from subtle earth tones to vibrant hues. They reflect light of specific wavelength making the colors very sharp and translucent.

Deso Dye can be used as primary colorant or as a secondary treatment over acid stains or integrally colored concrete or polymer modified concrete like self leveling concrete and micro-toppings. It is suitable for interior surfaces only.

## ADVANTAGES

- Deeper color penetration
- Zero VOC
- Can be mixed with water or acetone or both
- Instant drying when mixed with acetone
- Suitable for polished concrete or polymer concrete
- Very good stability in INTERIOR surfaces only
- Ease of shipping – next day air shipping possible with FedEx or UPS

## SURFACE PREPARATION

The surface must be structurally sound, clean, dry and dust free to insure optimum performance. Concrete substrate should be fully cured for at least 28 days before the application of Deso Dye.

## SUGGESTED STARTING POINT FORMULATIONS

(Shake well before use)

Concrete: Mix one bottle of Deso Dye with 2 gallons of acetone OR 1 gallon of Water and 1 gal of acetone

Polymer Concrete/Overlays/Micro-toppings: Mix one bottle of Deso Dye with 2 gallons of water OR 1 gallon of water and 1 gallon of acetone

For crisp Graphics or on Polished Concrete: Mix one bottle of Deso Dye with 1 gallon of acetone

## APPLICATION

Contractors should first perfect their spraying and finishing techniques before coloring the surfaces. Air movement, temperature, type of concrete and finish will affect the amount of penetration and final result. For large projects it may be necessary to do on-site mock ups. A cone nozzle spray tip produces the best

results with a tip made from a metal composition (e.g., brass). Before starting the application of dye, determine a color plan with the appropriate dilutions and blends. Make a ready-to-use dye stain in the desired color by blending Deso Dye with acetone and/or water. When mixing with acetone, spray a full wet coat at low pressure and allow drying for 10 to 30 minutes before applying another coat, if desired. Drying time will vary depending upon the blending solution and the environment where product is being applied. If polishing floor, apply dye prior to final polishing pass. Once the desired result is achieved, seal the surface with a sealer that can be sprayed and not rolled.

## COVERAGE

It depends upon the dilution ratio. Typically 1 gallon of liquid will cover 250 to 300 s<sup>q</sup>. ft..

## LIMITATIONS

- Deso Dyes are not recommended for exterior surfaces
- When crisp graphics are required, do not blend Deso Dye with water as it may bleed under masking tape; use acetone instead
- Deso Dye must not be exposed to direct sunlight
- It cannot be used under acid stains.
- Warmer surfaces may take the dyes with greater intensity
- Rougher areas and porous surfaces may absorb the dye differently and hence show varying color reflectivity

## CLEAN UP

Use lacquer thinner when dye is mixed with acetone, otherwise use water. Remove all sources of ignition when using acetone. Ventilate and remove with inert absorbent. Incinerate in approved facility. Do not incinerate within a closed container. Dispose of in accordance with federal, state and local regulations.

## STORAGE

Store in cool dry conditions above 40°F (4°C). Do not Freeze. Do not use the product that has been frozen. Do not use product that has been stored at temperatures above 90°F for extended periods.