

## **Decorative Concrete Coating Application Instructions**

## READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY BEFORE STARTING PROJECT

WHERE TO USE: Use on interior or exterior concrete surfaces such as patios, walkways, pool decks, basements, and laundry rooms. Allow newly poured concrete to cure for a minimum of 28 days prior to coating. Apply when air (ambient) temperature is 50-90°F (10-32°C) and relative humidity is below 85%. Not recommended for use on asphalt surfaces, garages, or driveways.

**SURFACE PREPARATION:** Bare Concrete Surfaces: Proper surface preparation is critical to performance. Before coating bare concrete surfaces, sweep surface to remove dirt and dust. Remove grease, oil, salt and other contaminants with **RUST-OLEUM®** CLEANER & DEGREASER (sold separately). Scrub spots thoroughly with a stiff bristle brush or broom and wipe up excess cleaner with rags or paper

towels to keep contaminants from spreading. Rinse thoroughly with fresh water. Squeegee dry the entire floor. Repeat as necessary for extremely dirty floors, or hard to remove stains. If necessary, use a wire brush or sander to remove any loose or unsound concrete or masonry. For proper penetration and maximum adhesion, use **RUST-OLEUM® CLEAN & ETCH** (sold separately). Follow label instructions

carefully. When etching is complete, be sure to rinse 3 times with clean water and scrub with a stiff bristle brush while rinsing. This will ensure no product remains on the surface. The surface should feel rough, like 150 grit sandpaper and water should easily be absorbed into the concrete. Allow the surface to dry completely before applying any coatings. **Previously Painted, Stained or Sealed Concrete Surfaces:** Use a wire brush to remove any loose or peeling paint, stain or sealer. To ensure proper adhesion, scuff sand the entire surface and clean residue with a solvent such as acetone.

**WARNING!** If you scrape, sand or remove old paint, you may release lead dust. LEAD IS TOXIC. EXPOSURE TO LEAD DUST CAN CAUSE SERIOUS ILLNESS, SUCH AS BRAIN DAMAGE, ESPECIALLY IN YOUNG CHILDREN. PREGNANT WOMEN SHOULD ALSO AVOID EXPOSURE. Wear a NIOSH-approved respirator to control lead exposure. Clean up carefully with a HEPA vacuum and a wet mop. Before you

start, find out how to protect yourself and your family by contacting the National Lead Information Hotline at 1-800-424-LEAD or log on to www.epa.gov/lead.

**APPLICATION:** The unique applicator **(RUST-OLEUM® 9" ROLLER)**, sold separately, must be used to apply DECORATIVE CONCRETE COATING for proper adhesion and results. **RUST-OLEUM® DECORATIVE CONCRETE COATING** is ready to use. Do not thin. Do not paint outdoors if rain is expected within 48 hours. If using more than one gallon, intermix all cans of the same product to ensure color uniformity. Mask adjacent surfaces to allow application up to all edges. Stir thoroughly before and during application. Trim edges using a 3" brush. Pour a small amount of product directly onto the surface. Apply in 4'x 4' sections and back roll in opposite direction to ensure a thin, even coat. Maintain a wet edge to prevent lap marks and gloss differences. Roll slowly and apply light pressure. **Two coats are required for optimal coverage and durability.** 

**RECOAT TIME:** Wait 3-4 hours for second coat, or when dry to the touch.

**DRY TIME:** Allow 3-4 hours for light foot traffic and 24 hours for heavy traffic. FOR FULL CURE ALLOW 7 DAYS. Dry times increase at cooler temperatures.

**CLEAN UP:** Wash tools and equipment with warm water and a mild detergent. Properly dispose of all soiled rags and protect unused product from freezing.

**COVERAGE:** Each gallon covers up to 60 square feet with two coats (required). Very rough or porous surfaces will require more material.