

PRODUCT DATA SHEET

Sika® Level-01 Primer Plus

ACRYLIC PRIMER FOR POROUS SUBSTRATES

PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

Sika® Level-01 Primer Plus is a one-part, water-dispersed and solvent-free, acrylic-based solution used to prime and seal floor surfaces prior to the application of Sika® Level products.

USES

- For absorbent substrates
- Concrete and cement screeds.
- Suitable on OSB and plywood
- Particularly suitable as an adhesion promoter and surface sealer beneath Sika Level products, enhancing the bond and integrity of the underlayment when applied onto porous substrates.

CHARACTERISTICS / ADVANTAGES

- Water-based and solvent-free
- Penetrates substrate to reduce outgassing and formation of bubbles in the underlayment
- Prevents water loss from the underlayment into the substrate
- 10 minutes on concrete
- Effectively seals concrete surfaces in a single, economic operation
- Low VOC and low odor
- Interior and exterior use

PRODUCT INFORMATION

Packaging	1 gal. (3.8 L) and 5 gal. (18.9 L) jugs
Appearance / Color	White liquid
Shelf Life	12 months in original, unopened container. Protect from high heat and freezing; if frozen, discard
Storage Conditions	Store dry at 41–77 °F (5–25 °C), if frozen, discard. Condition material should be 65–75 °F (18–24 °C) before using.
Density	62 lb./ft ³
Solid content by weight	30 %

APPLICATION INFORMATION

Coverage

	Coverage per 1 gal. jug
Undiluted	~500 ft ² (46.5 m ²)
1:3 (primer:water) dilution	600–1,000 ft ² (55.7–92.9 m ²)

(Coverage figures do not include allowance for surface profile and porosity or material waste)

Ambient Air Temperature

50–95 °F (10–35 °C)

Relative Air Humidity

Max 75 %

Substrate Temperature

50–95 °F (10–35 °C)

Cure Time

Substrate	Dilution	Coat	Drying Time
Concrete and mortar	1:3	1	10 min.
SikaLevel®-825 Lite over Gypsum Base	1:3	1	10 min.
Extremely porous Concrete and mortar	1:3 then 1:1	2	30 min.
OSB/Plywood	Undiluted	1	2 hrs.
Cementitious over Gypsum Base	1:1	1	16 hrs.

- To ensure proper adhesion, Sika® Level products have to be applied within 24 hours of the application of the Sika® Level-01 Primer Plus, but only once the primer is clear (without milky spots) and tack-free.
- Lower temperatures and/or humid conditions may extend the drying time between priming coats or before installation of the underlayment.

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

SURFACE PREPARATION

- All substrates must be dry, stable, sound and free of all contaminants such as grease, oil, paint, wax, dust, curing and sealing compounds that will interfere with the penetration of the primer.
- Weak surfaces should be removed. All cracks and holes should be similarly filled to prevent seepage. Repair with Sika® Level SkimCoat or SikaQuick® mortar prior to priming and leveling.
- The compressive strength of the concrete substrate should be at least 2,900 psi (20 MPa) at 28 days with a minimum tensile strength of 200 psi (1.4 MPa) at the time Sika® Level-01 Primer Plus is applied.
- Prepare concrete and cement substrates by mechanical means, such as shot blasting, sandblasting, water-jetting, scarifying, or other appropriate methods, to achieve an open-textured, fine-gripping surface.
- Immediately following mechanical preparation on some excessively porous substrates, outgassing will increase for a short period of time (around 48 hours) until equilibrium in slab vapor pressure and the ambient environment is reached. Two days should be given to the substrate after mechanical preparation before the application of the primer.
- OSB/ plywood must then be suitably secured, bonded and prepared to a contaminant free and sound

condition.

- Moisture vapor emission rates of the substrate should comply and meet the requirements of the proposed floor covering. Please consult the manufacturer of the final floor finish for recommendations.
- Before overall installation begins, Sika® recommends the application of several small test patches to determine primer application requirements and acceptability of final product performance.

MIXING

- Before applying Sika® Level-01 Primer Plus, thoroughly shake the container in which the material is supplied in to agitate the contents and to ensure all solids are distributed throughout the dispersion and a uniform consistency is achieved.
- Mix with potable water (approx. 70 °F, 21.1 °C) into a suitable sized and clean mixing container. Mix for 1 minute with a low-speed drill (300 rpm) and a paint mixing paddle.

APPLICATION

- Apply with a stiff bristle, exploded tip push broom.
- Sika® does not recommend the use of paint rollers or spray equipment.
- When first applied, Sika® Level-01 Primer Plus appears white; once dry, it is clear. This facilitates quality control in terms of complete coverage and clearly confirms when the underlay can be installed
- Where temperatures exceed 86 °F (30 °C), refer to and

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follow ACI hot weather application and protection guidelines.

LIMITATIONS

- Does not form a moisture barrier.
- The substrate should be surface dry with relative humidity of surrounding air low enough to allow efficient drying of the primer.
- Ponding of the primer must be avoided; ensure even distribution by broom to work the primer into the substrate.
- Low temperature or high humidity will extend the drying time and the waiting time.
- Diluted primer must be used within 24 hours of mixing.

BASIS OF PRODUCT DATA

Results may differ based upon statistical variations depending upon mixing methods and equipment, temperature, application methods, test methods, actual site conditions and curing conditions.

OTHER RESTRICTIONS

See Legal Disclaimer.

ENVIRONMENTAL, HEALTH AND SAFETY

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36 g/L

(EPA Method 24)

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- KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN
- NOT FOR INTERNAL CONSUMPTION
- FOR INDUSTRIAL USE ONLY
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