

# PENECRETE MORTAR™

## CRYSTALLINE WATERPROOFING MORTAR

### DESCRIPTION

PENECRETE MORTAR™ consists of Portland cement, specially treated quartz sand and a compound of active chemicals.

The active chemicals react with moisture and the by-products of cement hydration to cause a catalytic reaction, which generates an insoluble integral crystalline complex. These crystalline complexes grow in the presence of water and block the capillaries of the concrete and minor shrinkage cracks, thus waterproofing the concrete. Chemical activation begins when the powder is mixed with water and may take several days to completely block the capillaries, depending on ambient temperature and environmental conditions.

### APPLICATIONS

- Applied in conjunction with PENETRON® for:
  - Installation of seal strips, reglets and coves at joints to assure water tightness
  - Patching of tie holes and faulty construction joints
  - Patching and filling of routed out cracks
  - Repairing of spalled and honeycombed areas

### ADVANTAGES

- Can be applied to the positive or negative water pressure sides of a structure
- Resists strong hydrostatic pressure
- Seals cracks up to 1/51" (0.5 mm)
- Easy to use – needs only to be mixed with water prior to application
- Allows the concrete to "breathe"
- Can be skim coated or feather edged
- Can be applied to moist concrete
- Fast setting
- Inorganic – contains no polymers
- NSF 61 certified for use in potable water applications
- Non-flammable
- Resists abrasion and mechanical wear
- Freeze/thaw resistant
- Zero VOC – PENETRON powdered products contain zero volatile organic compounds and are safe for use both outdoors and in confined indoor spaces

### DIRECTIONS FOR USE

#### Surface preparation:

All surfaces to be patched, repaired or sealed with PENECRETE MORTAR™ must be clean and sound. Cracks should be routed out to a U-shaped configuration, approximately 3/4" (19 mm) wide and a minimum of 3/4" (19 mm) deep. Tie holes should be roughened prior to filling. Spalled and honeycombed areas must be thoroughly cleaned and chiseled back to sound concrete prior to repair. Remove all dirt, cement laitance, form release agents, curing compounds, paints, coatings, etc. by means of wet or dry sandblasting, high pressure water jet or other suitable mechanical means. Surfaces must be well moistened to a dull dampness at the time of application. The concrete should be damp with no wet sheen on the surface.

#### Mixing:

**Routed cracks, coves and non-moving joints:** Add water to PENECRETE MORTAR™ until a medium stiff, trowelable consistency is reached. The texture of the mix should be pliable enough to be trowelled into the cracks with some pressure, but not so pliable that it would run out or sag out of the crack.

Approximate mixing ratio (by volume) is 4.5 parts powder to 1 part water. Alternatively, 3.4 oz (101 ml) of water to 1 lb (454 g) of PENECRETE MORTAR™ powder.

**Tie holes and pointing applications:** Add only a small amount of water. Mixed consistency should be that of "dry earth," holding a shape when squeezed in your hand but easily crumbled when pressed between fingers. Mix only as much material as can be used within 20 minutes.

#### Application:

**Cracks/seal strips (reglets & coves):** After proper surface preparation and routing to appropriate configuration, prime areas to be patched or repaired with a slurry coat of PENETRON® and while "green" (tacky), fill cavity flush to surface with PENECRETE MORTAR™ in mortar consistency.

**Spalled and honeycombed areas:** Prepare surface and chisel back to sound concrete. Prime area to be repaired with a slurry coat of PENETRON®. While still "green" (tacky), apply PENECRETE MORTAR™ in layers of 1/2" (13 mm) not to exceed 2.5" (6.4 cm). Each layer should be allowed to set long enough that it will leave only a slight indent, approximately 1/16" (1.6 mm) when pressed with a finger. Where possible, the surface of the repair should be packed tightly using a hammer and block of wood.

**Tie holes and pointing applications:** Prepare surface and chisel back to sound concrete. Prime area to be repaired with a slurry coat of PENETRON® and while still "green" (tacky), apply PENECRETE MORTAR™ in "dry earth" consistency. PENECRETE MORTAR™ should be tightly rodded into tie holes or packed tightly using a hammer and block of wood.

**NOTE:** For all applications, PENETRON® should be applied as a surface treatment as soon as PENECRETE MORTAR™ has set (approximately 1-2 hours). If this is not practical, leave surface rough for subsequent surface treatment to bond.

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## Curing:

Provide protection against extreme weather conditions, such as heavy rain or freezing conditions, during the setting period. Curing is not normally required except during hot, low humidity weather. In these conditions, a light mist of water approximately 24 hours after the repair is completed will help to ensure a controlled cure. In extreme dry heat, water misting may be required more frequently.

## SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS

DO NOT apply PENECRETE MORTAR™ at temperatures below 40°F (4°C), to a frozen substrate or if temperatures will drop below freezing during the curing period (approximately 24 hours).

This product is not recommended for use in expansion joints or other joints designed for movement. PENECRETE MORTAR™ can be applied in 1/2" (13 mm) layers not exceeding 2.5" (6.4 cm) to prevent shrinkage cracks in the mortar.

## CONSUMPTION & YIELD OF 50-LB (22.7-KG) BAG

All values are approximate depending on surface conditions.

### U-shaped cracks and reglets

|             |   |
|-------------|---|
| Size        | 1"x1" (25 mm x 25 mm)                           |
| Consumption | 1.0 lb/ft <sup>2</sup> (4.9 kg/m <sup>2</sup> ) |
| ~Yield/bag  | 50 ft (15.2 m)                                  |

### Coves, triangular shaped

|             |   |
|-------------|---|
| Size        | 1.5"x1.5" (38 mm x 38 mm)                       |
| Consumption | 1.0 lb/ft <sup>2</sup> (4.9 kg/m <sup>2</sup> ) |
| ~Yield/bag  | 50 ft (15.2 m)                                  |

### Tie holes

|             |                                  |
|-------------|----------------------------------|
| Size        | 1"x1"x1" (25 mm x 25 mm x 25 mm) |
| Consumption | N/A                              |
| ~Yield/bag  | 600 nos                          |

### Honeycomb and surface patching

Approximately 0.4 ft<sup>3</sup> (0.01 m<sup>3</sup>) / bag

## PACKAGING

PENECRETE MORTAR™ is available in 50-lb (22.7-kg) bags or 55-lb (25-kg) pails.

## STORAGE / SHELF LIFE

PENETRON products must be stored dry at a minimum temperature of 45°F (7°C). Shelf life is one year when stored under proper conditions.

## TECHNICAL DATA

### Compressive strength (ASTM C-109):

|         |                   |
|---------|-------------------|
| 1 day   | 1600 psi (11 MPa) |
| 3 days  | 2400 psi (17 MPa) |
| 7 days  | 5800 psi (40 MPa) |
| 28 days | 6900 psi (48 MPa) |

### Tensile Strength (ASTM C-190):

|         |                   |
|---------|-------------------|
| 1 day   | 320 psi (2.2 MPa) |
| 3 days  | 520 psi (3.6 MPa) |
| 7 days  | 730 psi (5.0 MPa) |
| 28 days | 900 psi (6.2 MPa) |

**NOTE:** Cooler temperatures, inadequate ventilation and higher humidity can extend drying times. All data derived from tests under laboratory conditions; field conditions may yield slightly different results.

## TECHNICAL SERVICES

For more detailed instructions, alternative application methods, or information concerning the compatibility of the PENETRON treatment with other products or technologies, contact the Penetron Technical Department or your local Penetron representative.

## SAFE HANDLING INFORMATION

PENECRETE MORTAR™ contains cement that is alkaline. Will irritate eyes and skin and may cause skin sensitization. Wear appropriate eye, skin and breathing protection when using this product. Avoid contact with skin and eyes. In case of contact with eyes, rinse immediately with plenty of water and seek medical advice. For further information, please refer to Safety Data Sheet. KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN.



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PENECRETE

for structural and nonstructural repair CC mortar

Compressive strength: Class R4 (≥ 45 MPa)

Chloride content: < 0,05 % by mass

Adhesive bond: NPD

Restrained shrinkage, expanding: NPD

Elastic modulus: NPD

Thermal compatibility (Part 1): NPD

Corrosion behaviour: deemed to have no corrosive effect

Reaction to fire: NPD

Dangerous substances: NPD

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