

# Fast Acting Stripper

multi-layer paint remover

## DESCRIPTION AND USE

Sure Klean® Fast Acting Stripper is a thixotropic stripping compound designed for removing coatings and epoxies from masonry, wood and metal surfaces.

Fast Acting Stripper is formulated specifically for removal of high strength paints and coatings such as epoxies, polyurethanes, and floor enamels. Additionally, Fast Acting Stripper dissolves most spray paints, marking pens and lacquers. Fast Acting Stripper immediately emulsifies in water and may be rinsed with cold water, hot water or steam.

### ADVANTAGES

- Effectively removes yellowed sealers and a variety of paint coatings.
- Specially formulated for removing the toughest coatings
  - effectively removes epoxy, polyurethanes and other high strength coatings.
- Excellent for stripping built-up coatings from concrete decks.
- No surface neutralization required.
- Rinses with cold or hot water.
- Thixotropic consistency permits safer application with less spillage.

### Limitations

- Not recommended for wood furniture or other finely finished wood surfaces.
- Not for removal of cementitious coatings.
- Not suitable for spray applications.
- Product efficiency is reduced when temperatures are below 40°F (4°C) and above 85°F (29°C).

### TYPICAL TECHNICAL DATA

FORM: Clear gel  
 SPECIFIC GRAVITY: 1.22  
 pH: NA  
 WT/GAL: 10.15 lbs.  
 ACTIVE CONTENT: NA  
 TOTAL SOLIDS: NA  
 FLASH POINT: 81°F (27°C) ASTM D 3278  
 FREEZE POINT: < -22°F (< -30°C)  
 SHELF LIFE: 2 years in tightly sealed, unopened container

### PREPARATION

Protect people, vehicles, property, glass, solvent sensitive materials, roofing material, plants and all surfaces not set for stripping from product, splash, rinse, residue, fumes and wind drift. Some metal finishes and glass may be damaged by exposure to Fast Acting Stripper. Protect with solvent-resistant polyethylene secured by duct tape. Sure Klean® Strippable Masking is not appropriate for use with stripping products.

Prepare surface by scraping or pressure rinsing to remove all peeling and/or loose coatings. Let the surface dry thoroughly before applying stripper.

### Surface and Air Temperatures

For maximum effectiveness, surface and air temperatures should be above 40°F (4°C) and below 85°F (29°C).

### Equipment

Apply using a solvent-resistant brush or roller.

Rinse with enough water and pressure to flush spent cleaner and dissolved soiling from the masonry surface and surface pores without damage. Inadequate rinsing leaves residues which may stain the cleaned surface.

Masonry-washing equipment generating 400-1000 psi with a water flow rate of 6-8 gallons per minute is the best water/pressure combination for rinsing porous masonry. Use a 15-45° fan spray tip. Heated water (150-180°F; 65-82°C) may improve cleaning efficiency. Use adjustable equipment for reducing water flow-rates and rinsing pressure as needed for sensitive surfaces.

**Fast Acting Stripper is recommended for these substrates.  
 Always test. Coverage is in sq.ft./m. per gallon.**

Substrate	Type	Use?	Coverage
<b>Architectural Concrete Block</b>	Burnished	yes	50-75 sq.ft. 5-7 sq.m.
	Smooth	yes	
	Split-faced	yes	
	Ribbed	yes	
<b>Concrete</b>	Brick	yes	50-75 sq.ft. 5-7 sq.m.
	Tile	yes	
	Precast Panels	yes	
	Pavers	yes	
	Cast-in-place	yes	
<b>Fired Clay</b>	Brick	yes	50-75 sq.ft. 5-7 sq.m.
	Tile	yes	
	Terra Cotta	yes	
	Pavers	yes	
<b>Marble, Travertine, Limestone</b>	Polished	yes	50-75 sq.ft. 5-7 sq.m.
	Unpolished	yes	
<b>Granite</b>	Polished	yes	50-75 sq.ft. 5-7 sq.m.
	Unpolished	yes	
<b>Sandstone</b>	Unpolished	yes	50-75 sq.ft. 5-7 sq.m.
<b>Slate</b>	Unpolished	yes	50-75 sq.ft. 5-7 sq.m.

Always test to ensure desired results.  
 Coverage estimates depend on coating being stripped, as well as surface texture and porosity.

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Rinsing pressures greater than 1000 psi and fan spray tips smaller than 15° may permanently damage sensitive masonry. Water flow-rates less than 6 gallons per minute may reduce cleaning productivity and contribute to uneven cleaning results.

### Storage and Handling

Store in a cool, dry place away from potential ignition sources. Keep tightly closed when not dispensing. Do not alter or mix with other chemicals. Published shelf life assumes upright storage of factory-sealed containers in a dry place. Maintain temperature of 45-100°F (7-38°C). Do not double stack pallets. Dispose of unused product and container in accordance with local, state and federal regulations.

## APPLICATION

Before use, read “Preparation” and “Safety Information.”

**ALWAYS TEST** (minimum 4-ft x 4-ft area) for suitability and results before overall application. Test using the following application instructions to find the proper dwell-time and the number of applications to remove all traces of coating. Let test areas dry thoroughly before inspection.

Conduct tests under weather conditions similar to those anticipated during clean-down. Cleaning compounds are affected by temperature. Dwell times used successfully in one season may not be effective in another.

### Dilution

Do not dilute or alter product in any way.

### Application Instructions

Do not let stripper dry on the surface. If tests indicate long dwell times, reapply to keep the previously applied material wet. Keep people away from stripper.

#### *Exterior Application Instructions*

1. Working from the bottom to the top, apply a thick coating to dry surface.
2. Let stripper dwell 15-30 minutes or until coating “lifts” or shows signs of dissolving. Periodic agitation with a stiff bristle brush improves penetration. Some coatings will need multiple applications/increased dwell time.
3. Working from the bottom to the top, remove stripper and residue with pressure-water rinse. Heated water may improve stripping efficiency.
4. Thoroughly clean with the appropriate Sure Klean® product.

#### *Interior Application Instructions*

1. Apply a thick coating to dry surface.
2. Let stripper dwell for 5-10 minutes or until coating “lifts” or shows signs of dissolving. Periodic agitation with a stiff bristle brush improves penetration.

3. Using a low-pressure tank sprayer, apply a mist of water to the treated surface. Water helps emulsify the old sealer and dilute the stripper so residues may be more easily picked up.
4. Using a spark-proof/explosion-proof power-scrubber or buffer with an abrasive, nonmetallic scrubbing pad for floors, or stiff-bristled brush for walls, scrub the surface until coatings are gone. Add more water to aid scrubbing.
5. Use towels, mops or spark-proof/explosion-proof wet vacs to collect liquid residue. Locate wet vac motor outdoors well away from application site in high area, where vapors will not collect.
6. Thoroughly brush or mop-and-bucket-rinse with clean water. If needed, clean surface with appropriate Sure Klean® masonry cleaner.

**CAUTION:** Using Fast Acting Stripper with vacuum machines or power-driven scrubbers that are not explosion-/spark-proof may present a fire hazard.

If it is necessary to clean the surface after sealers and coatings are gone, use an appropriate Sure Klean® masonry cleaner.

### Cleanup

Clean tools and equipment with high-flash aromatic naphtha or similar solvent. Cleaning with water may be sufficient if material has not dried.

### Painting Treated Surfaces

Sand or prepare surfaces before painting.

### Waste Disposal

Waste generated through the use of Fast Acting Stripper is typically classified as “hazardous” under USEPA regulations due to excess concentrations of listed solvents in the product. Contractors must consult and comply with current federal, state and local regulations regarding containment, transport and disposal of hazardous waste. Do not reuse container.

### Lead-Based Paint Removal

PROSOCO offers a line of products specifically formulated for removing lead-based paint. Enviro Klean® paint removers were developed for lead-based paint abatement projects where removal, containment and disposal of lead containing wastes are primary concern.

## SAFETY INFORMATION

Sure Klean® Fast Acting Stripper is a solvent based product and may cause symptoms typical with organic solvent and methylene chloride exposures. This is a flammable material. Use appropriate ventilation, safety equipment and job site controls during application and handling. Read the full label and MSDS for precautionary instructions before use.

## **First Aid**

*Ingestion:* If swallowed, immediately call a physician, emergency room or poison control center for instruction on safely inducing vomiting. If vomiting occurs, keep head below waist to prevent entry of liquid into lungs.

*Eye Contact:* Rinse eyes thoroughly for 15 minutes. Get medical assistance.

*Skin Contact:* Rinse thoroughly. Get medical attention if irritation persists.

*Inhalation:* Remove to fresh air. Give artificial respiration if not breathing. Get immediate medical attention.

**24 Hour Emergency Information: INFOTRAC at 800-535-5053**

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