



# P-TUFF® CLASSIC

## A Single Component, Water-Catalyzed Base Membrane

### 1.01 DESCRIPTION

P-Tuff® Classic is a non-gassing, solvent-free, single-component, liquid-applied, water-catalyzed, polyurethane elastomeric waterproofing basecoat. The unique product allows the base membrane to be applied in one application up to 3" (7.6 cm) deep down to a feather edge and cures simultaneously throughout the coating in approximately 4 hours at 75°F (24°C) and 50% relative humidity. The basecoat may be used for very rough or highly textured surfaces and where sloping or pond filling is desired. Be sure to use the right product grade that complies with VOC regulations as per federal, state, statutory bodies, county and city regulations/codes at the place of installation of product.

### 1.02 FEATURES

- Solvent free
- High tensile
- Proven protection
- Seamless waterproofing membrane
- Optional fast cure with added accelerator
- Applied at any thickness without gassing

### 1.03 TYPICAL USES

- Light Auto Traffic
- Concrete Dusting
- Mechanical Room Waterproofing
- Pedestrian Traffic
- Under Tile Waterproofing
- Tank Linings and Coatings
- Ship Deck Overlays
- Concrete Bridges
- Concrete or Plywood Decks
- Sloping Decks
- Filling Ponding Water Locations

### 1.04 COLOR

White

### 1.05 PACKAGING

1 gallon (3.78 liter) can with a partial vial of catalyst  
5 gallon (19 liter) pail with a full vial of catalyst  
55 gallon drum - net fill 50 gallons (189 liters)  
with a 1/2 pint can of catalyst.  
Contact PSI for availability of 55 gallon (208 liters) drums.

### 1.06 SURFACE PREPARATION

Refer to General and Safety Guidelines for complete information. Concrete surfaces require a medium sandpaper finish equal to or greater than an ICRI CSP #3. Surface preparation may be completed by shot blasting or the use of Poly-Tuff Profile and Etch cleaner. Peel and adhesion tests are recommended. Install a 100-200 sqft (9.30-18.58 sqm) mock up of the system to be installed and approve for aesthetics, color, slip resistance, actual coverage rates and functionality before proceeding.

### TECHNICAL DATA

(Based on draw down films).

Hardness, ASTM D-2240	60 ± 5 Shore A
Viscosity @75°F (24°C)	2000-3000 cps
Specific Gravity	1.08 ± 0.1
Tear Resistance, Die C, ASTM D-624	250 ± 25 pli 44 ± 5 kNm
Tensile Strength, ASTM D-412	1350 ± 150 psi 9.3 ± 1 MPa
Ultimate Elongation, ASTM D-412	675 ± 100%
Total Solids by Weight, ASTM D-2369	95 ± 2%
Total Solids by Volume, ASTM D-2697	93 ± 2%
Volatile Organic Compounds, ASTM D-2369-81	<0.5lbs/gal <60 gm/liter

### 1.07 MIXING

Before application, premix P-Tuff® Classic using a mechanical mixer (Jiffy mixer) at slow speed or if mixing by hand mix at least for 5 minutes or until a homogeneous mixture and color is obtained. Use care not to allow the entrapment of air in to the mixture.

Optional: Add catalyst (one vial per 5 gallon or 18.9 liters pail) and mix thoroughly until a homogeneous mixture and color is obtained. Catalyst will reduce cure time for cold temperature applications. Depending upon environmental conditions up to 3 vial of catalyst per 5 gallons (18.9 liters) may be used.

Mix pre-accelerated P-Tuff® Classic with water at a volume ratio of 4:1 (4 gallons or 15.4 liters of P-Tuff® Classic with 1 gallon or 3.78 liter of water. For 5 gallons or 18.9 liters of P-Tuff® Classic add 1.25 gallon or 4.725 liters of water. Mix the material thoroughly until water is completely combined with P-Tuff® Classic. Water-catalyzed material is referred as mixed or water-catalyzed material.

## 1.08 JOINTS, CRACKS, AND FLASHING

Apply a single or two component non-gassing polyurethane sealant over all joints, cracks and flashing.

Bridge the joints, cracks, and flashings with 4" (10 cm) Polyester tape pushing it into the 30 mil pre-stripe of base coat. Alternatively, joints and cracks 1/16" or larger may be sealed flush with PTS E-101 concealed with 4" (10 cm) Super Seal Tape

Note: Concrete must be primed first and allow to dry.

## APPLICATION

### 2.01 APPLICATION BASICS

For best results use a squeegee or notched trowel. Airless sprayer or phenolic resin core roller may be used but extra care should be taken not to trap air which may result in bubbles.

Mix pre-accelerated P-Tuff® Classic with water at a ratio of 4:1 (4 gallons of P-Tuff® Classic: 1 gallon of water; (15.14 liters of P-Tuff® Classic: 3.78 liters of water) by volume. For 5 gallons or 18.9 liters of P-Tuff® Classic add 1.25 gallon or 4.725 liters of water. Mix thoroughly until water is completely combined with P-Tuff® Classic. Spread P-Tuff® Classic mixture evenly over the entire deck. Application should not be stopped part way across an area. Each application should be done in one complete step. A continuous application will ensure a smooth and level coat with no lines or streaks to disfigure the deck coating.

When P-Tuff® 100 mixed material begins to gel, approximately 15 minutes after placement, broadcast 14-30 mesh rubber granules into the wet membrane to refusal. Normal usage is 20 lbs of rubber granules p/100 sqft (0.98 kg/m<sup>2</sup>).

When broadcasting silica sand, allow membrane to thicken to a firm and sticky surface (approximately 30-45 min) when the sand will adhere but not sink into the base coat. The aggregate should be dry, washed, and rounded silica in the, 12-20, 16-30 or 20-40 mesh size and a 6.5 Moh's scale minimum hardness as required by customer specifications or as specified in the system specifications. Time for thickening to a firm sticky condition is dependent on atmospheric environments especially temperature and humidity. Allow coating to cure 2-4 hours before proceeding to subsequent coats.

P-Tuff® Classic may be applied at any rate to achieve desired thickness. Theoretical coverage for 1 mil (25.4 microns) thickness is one gallon per 1488 sqft (138 sqm). Refer to individual Systems Description under System Specifications Section of the PSI catalog or website for specific coverage rates. Coverage rates and cure times will vary depending on temperature, relative humidity, surface roughness, porosity, aggregate selection, embedment, and application technique. Coverage rates provided are optimal and are not guaranteed.

### 2.02 CURING

Allow each coat to cure (depending on environmental conditions and temperature) a minimum of 2-4 hours and a maximum of 24 hours. If more than 24 hours passes between coats, reprime the surfaces with recommended PSI Primer before proceeding. Repriming is not necessary if a complete sand broadcast of aggregates to refusal has been placed during the thumbprint tacky stage. Aggregates should be broadcast to refusal while basecoat is firm but thumbprint tacky at the surface.

P-Tuff® Classic is very sensitive to heat and moisture. Higher temperatures and/or high humidity will accelerate the cure time. Use caution in batch sizes and thickness of application. Low temperature and/or low humidity extend the cure time.



### 2.03 EQUIPMENT CLEANUP

Equipment should be cleaned with an environmentally safe solvent, as permitted under local regulations, immediately after use.

### 2.04 STORAGE

P-Tuff® Classic has a shelf life of six (6) months from date of manufacture in original, factory-sealed containers when stored at 75°F (24°C).

### 2.05 LIMITATIONS

- P-Tuff® Classic should only be used as a base membrane. The components of P-Tuff® Classic are not UV stable and are not designed to withstand direct wear and abrasion.
- Ensure that the substrate is properly prepared prior to application. Surfaces to be coated with P-Tuff® Classic must be dry, clean, free of foreign matter, and primed with recommended PSI Primer. Primer is optional over new plywood.
- PSI recommends that an aggregate of washed, dry, rounded, crystal silica sand, 16-30 mesh (0.595-1.19 mm), with 6.5+ Moh's minimum hardness or EPDM rubber granules 14-30 mesh size be used to aid in slip-resistance. Applicator should determine mesh size based on job requirements.
- Two top coat applications are required if rubber aggregates are used.
- Any remaining material must be tightly sealed to protect it against curing in its container. Containers that have been opened must be used within 1 or 2 weeks since P-Tuff® Classic is a moisture-reactive material that begins to cure when exposed to air.
- PSI does not recommend that P-Tuff® Classic be diluted with solvents.
- For complete information associated with the application of P-Tuff® Classic, refer to System Specifications and Guidelines.

The following conditions must not be coated with PSI deck coating systems:

1. On grade or below grade slabs
2. Split slabs with buried membrane
3. Sandwich slabs with insulation
4. Slabs over unvented metal pans
5. Suspended pool decks & swimming pools
6. Magnesite and light weight concrete
7. Asphalt surfaces and asphalt overlays

**WARNING: This product contains isocyanates.**

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