





APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

SolidStepCote can be applied by **foam brush, roller (1/8" nap) or low pressure airless spray equipment** (HVLP spray systems and a 0.025 inch tip). A gallon of **SolidStepCote** can provide protection over approximately 350 square feet depending on the texture and porosity of the surface. With larger surfaces a roller or spray application is recommended.

- 1. Stir fully or shake the **SolidStepCote** container *thoroughly* prior to use. If the base of bottle or container shows a firm opaque layer, stir or shake the contents thoroughly until the settled material becomes fully dispersed and a smooth, milky liquid is observed througout. This step is very important as the non-slip aggregate which tends to settle must be evenly distributed throughout the solution to realize the maximum efficacy of the product.
- 2. Once fully shaken, let the solution sit for 10 minutes or so to dissipate the bubbles that may have formed during the shaking or stirring process. If you see bubbles on the surface during application, allow the solution to sit a little while longer until they are eliminated. If necessary, bubbles can be "popped" when the solution is wet by blowing on the surface or applying air pressure (i.e. with a hair dryer). Note: Once dry, these bubbles become permanent and leave imperfections in the coating.
- **3**. The targeted surface should be completely dry and free of dirt, debris and oil or grease prior to application. If applying in a tub or shower, clean the surface to be coated with water and appropriate cleaners or scrubbers to remove dirt, stains or soapscum as these contaminants will become trapped under the coating and prevent effective bonding of the non-slip coating in the affected areas.
- **4.** Prior to application gently stir or shake the **SolidStepCote** container one final time to remix the aggregate throughout the solution.
- **5.** Pour the product into a paint tray or directly on to the floor to be treated. *Apply at first to a small test area to be sure that the application is working properly and producing desired results.*
- **6.** Roll/Apply the product evenly back and forth over the surface at a steady pace, making sure not to coat the product too heavily or apply too much pressure on the brush or roller. The back and forth motion of the roller will assist in preventing and/or eliminating any bubbles in the film that may form on the surface. **SolidStepCote** is a self-leveling product and the coating will even out as it dries.

The coating goes on easily and dries to a clear glossy finish. One coat should be sufficient for tubs and showers. Two coats are recommended for surfaces likely to encounter regular foot traffic with hard soled shoes. If a second coat is desired, allow the first coat to become fully dry to the touch (normally 15-30 minutes, depending upon ambient conditions) before applying the second coat.

The surface will be ready to receive regular **foot traffic within 4-6 hours** after final application. Allow **24-48 hours for full cure** before subjecting the surface to heavy abrasion. Do not apply at temperatures below 50°F or 90°F. When applying, avoid heavy buildup, puddling and overlappings.

*IMPORTANT: Liquiguard recommends a two-coat application to ensure good film strength and to prevent scratching, chipping or peeling, particularly in high traffic areas or surfaces that encounter intensive foot traffic or other friction.

DO NOT:

- -Apply with a foam roller as it will encourage bubbles on the surface.
- -Apply with a paint brush as it will often create streaks and/or brush marks on the surface.
- Apply to surfaces that will be cleaned with a walk-behind motorized rotary cleaner.
- Apply to surfaces that will be buffed with a Diamond Pad or other abrasive tools.

