

# SOLHYDFLOW LITE

Lightweight, Smooth and Durable Self-leveling

SOLHYDFLOW LITE is a lightweight self-leveling underlayment that provides a flat, smooth, durable surface with 35 % lighter then traditional underlayment self-leveling concrete. It is a single component, high strength, non-shrink, regulated setting underlayment to level and smooth floors. SOLHYDFLOW LITE can be poured or pumped (no trowel required) in one single step to thicknesses from 12mm (1/2") to 75 mm (3") (Refer to "Product Application" section). SOLHYDFLOW LITE will accept foot traffic within 3 to 4 hours and floor coverings 16 hours after application.

#### USES

Specially designed for interior use in leveling floors on projects where weight restrictions apply. Provides a smooth and even finish to existing wooden, vinyl tiles, ceramic or terrazzo floors.

#### **UTILISATION TYPIQUES:**

- Leveling the uneven surfaces and interior concrete floors located on upper floors
- Office building floors
- Residential building floors
- School and gymnasium floors
- Hospitals and correctional institutions
- Heated flooring

## PRODUCT FEATURES

- Economical and easy to use
- Superior bond
- Self-leveling, no trowel work required
- Installable from 12 mm (1/2") to a 75 mm (3") thickness
- Non-shrink and non-dusting
- Ideal for pouring and pumping
- Maintains workability for 30 minutes at 21°C (70°F)
- No sanding or grinding required
- Adhesive compatible
- Not a gypsum based product

#### PRODUCT MIXING

- Mix a minimum of 2 bags at a time.
- For each 18 kg (40 lbs) bag add 5.5 L of clean potable water into the SOLHYDFLOW mixing drum.
- Then add the SOLHYDFLOW LITE bags, while mixing at full speed with a paddle mixer attached to a heavy duty 1/2" drill (min. 650 rpm).
- · Always add the product to the mixing water.
- Mix completely for a minimum of 2 to 3 minutes until mixture is homogeneous and lump free
- Do not add any additional water once the homogeneous mix has been obtained.
- Over wood, cutback and non-porous subfloors the addition of SOLHYDFLOW EMULSION is required to increase the resiliency of SOLHYDFLOW LITE.
- Mix 2,75 L of SOLHYDFLOW EMULSION with 2,75 L of clean potable water for each bag of SOLHYDFLOW LITE.
- Add this mixture into the SOLHYDFLOW mixing drum followed by the addition of SOLHYDFLOW LITE bags and mix as outlined above.
- It is also recommended to use two (2) SOLHYDFLOW mixing drums simultaneously, mixing one (1) drum while the other is being poured. In this manner, we avoid slowing down the pours while respecting the 2 to 3 minutes mixing time.
- SOLHYDFLOW LITE can also be pumped affording high productivity and continuous smooth placement.
- Contact your local BMQ SOLUTIONS representative for the recommendations concerning specific equipment to be used.

## PHYSICAL MATERIAL PROPERTIES @ 21°C (70°F)

1,765

1,470

COMPRESSIVE STRENGTH ASTM C109-93 2" (50MM) CUBES		
4 hours	6.0 MPa	870 psi
24 hours	15.2 MPa	2,200 psi
4 days	22.1 MPa	3,200 psi
7 days	25.2 MPa	3,650 psi
28 days	30.3 MPa	4,400 psi
COMPARATIE DENSITY		kg/m³
Solhydflow Supreme		1.975

Gypsum-based underlayment
Solhydflow Lite

HARDENING		
Working time	25 to 30 minutes	
Initial set time ASTM C191	45 minutes	
Final set time ASTM C191	60 minutes	
Curing	self-curing	
Foot traffic	3 to 4 hours	
Floor covering	16 hours	



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## SURFACE PREPARATION

#### **CONCRETE FLOORS**

Surface must be solid, completely clean, free of oil, wax, grease, sealers, curing compounds, asphalt, paint, dirt, loose surface material and any contaminant that will act as a bondbreaker. Weak concrete surfaces must be cleaned down to sound concrete by mechanical means like Blastrac® or light grinding. Acid etching or chemical cleaning is not acceptable. Joints in the substrate must be reflected through the applied underlayment.

#### **WOOD SURFACES**

Wooden sub floors must be clean, free of varnish, shellac or any contaminant that hinders bond. If needed, sand down to bare clean wood. Do not use chemical cleaners. Substrate must be solid and secure to provide a rigid base. The subfloor must be free of deflection and should be less than L/360 taking into account for live and dead loads. Any moving boards should be renailed and open joints filled with SOLHYDPATCH or SOLHYDFINISH.

The wooden substrate must be solid hardwood flooring minimum of 20 mm (3/4") tongue and groove, APA rated Type 1, Exterior Exposure plywood. Prime the substrate as outlined in "Substrate Priming". Then anchor a thin galvanized expanded diamond 20 mm (3/4") metal lath mesh (plaster lath) to the subfloor, securing every 150 mm (6") to prevent movement, overlapping adjacent pieces by 25 mm (1").

When placing SOLHYDFLOW LITE over wood, cutback and nonporous floors the addition of SOLHYDFLOW EMULSION is required to increase the performance of SOLHYDFLOW LITE (see "Product Mixing").

#### OVER CUTBACK AND ADHESIVE RESIDUE

Do not use SOLHYDFLOW LITE over coal tar and asphalt waterproofing systems. Cutback and adhesives may contain asbestos fibers whose inhalation is harmful, resulting from the sanding/grinding of adhesive residue. Consult government agencies for rules concerning the removal of asbestos containing flooring and adhesives. The Resilient Floor Covering Institute's booklet "Recommended Work Practices for the Removal of Resilient Floor Coverings" is recommended. Thick accumulations, brittle or powdery residue of weak and unbonded adhesive must be removed using the wet-scrape and wet-sweep method as outlined by the Resilient Floor Covering Institute booklet. What remains should be a translucent clean well bonded film suitable for primer application. Installation of SOLHYDFLOW LITE over non-asbestos adhesives is possible if the residue is solid, well bonded to the substrate and not affected by water. Avoid applications where heat may soften the adhesive causing delamination.

#### NON POROUS SUBSTRATES

Ceramic tile, terrazzo, quarry tile and stone must be solid, well bonded, clean and free of any bond breaking contaminates such as glazes, wax, oil, sealers etc... Surfaces must be mechanically sanded or Blastracked® until a "profile" is obtained for the maximum bonding of SOLHYDFLOW LITE. Vacuum the floor surface, removing all debris, dust and loose material prior to installing the primer.

### PRODUCT APPLICATION

SOLHYDFLOW LITE will level itself for 20 minutes at 21°C (70°F) with no trowel work required. Pour the blended SOLHYDFLOW LITE on the floor and disperse with the spreader, followed by smoothing the material with the smoother or similar floating tool. Cleated shoes must be worn to avoid leaving marks.

\*SOLHYDFLOW LITE can be applied from 12 mm (1/2") up to a 75 mm (3") thickness in one step.

**NOTE:** For all placements of product exceeding 50mm (3"), the addition of aggregate is required. Contact your local BMQ SOLUTIONS representative to determine recommended.

#### PRIMING

#### **ALL SURFACES**

All substrates must be clean, dry and primed before SOLHYDFLOW LITE is applied. Subfloor temperature must be at least  $10^{\circ}\text{C}$  (50°F). Mix 3.8 L (1 US gal) of a SOLHYDFLOW PRIMER with 3.8 L (1 US gal) of clean potable water. That volume will cover approximately 35 m² to 40 m² (350 ft² to 400 ft²) of floor area. SOLHYDFLOW PRIMER must be applied evenly with a nylon pushbroom with exploded tips. Do not use paint rollers, mops, or spray equipment. Apply a thin layer leaving no bare spots, puddles or excess primer. Allow to dry to a clear, thin film (usually 2 hours, but less than 24 hours before applying SOLHYDFLOW LITE).

#### **VERY POROUS CONCRETE**

recaution: To avoid the development of bubbles and pinholes in the SOLHYDFLOW LITE, very absorbent concrete may require two applications of SOLHYDFLOW PRIMER. Apply the first coat of SOLHYDFLOW PRIMER diluted (1 part of SOLHYDFLOW PRIMER with 3 parts of clean potable water). Let this coat completely dry and install a second application of primer (1 part of SOLHYDFLOW PRIMER mixed with 1 part of clean potable water). Let dry, then apply SOLHYDFLOW LITE.

#### NON-POROUS SUBSTRATES, WOOD AND CUTBACK

Prime the above-mentioned surfaces with SOLHYDCOAT PRIMER 100 according to the «broadcast» method, ie with silica sand powdering. Consult a SOLHYDROC representative for more information on this method. Allow to completely dry then apply SOLHYDFLOW LITE.

**NOTE:** Low subfloor temperatures, or high humidity will slow primer drying. Never place SOLHYDFLOW LITE until the primer is completely dry.

#### ESTIMATING / YIELD

SOLHYDFLOW LITE: 18 kg (40 lbs) bag reinforced with a polyethylene liner (moisture protection). A 18 kg (40 lbs) SOLHYDFLOW LITE bag mixed with 5.5 L of clean potable water will cover approximately 1,3 m2 when applied on concrete at a 12 mm thickness.

### **COVERAGE PER 18KG (40LB) BAG:**

Nominal Thickness	Approximate Coverage
12 mm (1/2")	1,3 m² (14 ft²)
25 mm (1")	0,65 m² (7 ft²)
50 mm (2")	0,33 m² (3,5 ft²)

#### CURING

SOLHYDFLOW LITE is self curing. The application of concrete cures is not required. All floor adhesives compatible with concrete may be used on SOLHYDFLOW LITE.



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#### PRECAUTIONS / RESTRICTIONS

- For interior use only
- Not a wearing surface. It must be covered. For wearing surfaces use SOLHYDFLOW INDUSTRIAL
- Do not add admixtures (accelerators, etc.) or antifreeze to this product
- Do not use for repairs exceeding 80 mm (3") in thickness
- Do not place on surfaces where the temperature is below 7°C (44°F)
- Do not install over gypsum based surfaces or on light weight based concrete
- Do not apply on fresh concrete
- High temperature reduces working time. The use of cold water is recommended

#### PACKAGING

#### **SOLHYDFLOW LITE:**

18 kg (40 lbs) bag Qty: 56 bags per pallet

#### **SOLHYDFLOW PRIMER PLUS:**

18.9 L pail (5 US gal) 3.8 L (1 US gal) unit Qty: 4 units per case

## **SOLHYDFLOW EMULSION:**

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#### STORAGE

#### SOLHYDFLOW LITE:

Store in a dry and temperate area.

#### **SOLHYDFLOW PRIMER PLUS:**

Avoid freezing.

#### **SOLHYDFLOW EMULSION:**

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#### RECOMMENDED TOOLS

The following tools will assure a cost effective, satisfactory installation:

- Mixing Drum
- Heavy Duty 1/2" Drill with Mixing Paddle
- Depth Gage Spreader
- Surface Smoother
- · Nylon pushbroom with exploded tips

#### CLEANING

Use water to clean all tools immediately after use.

#### NOTE

SOLHYDFLOW LITE is cement based and all ACI (American Concrete Institute) recommendations for concrete apply. Follow proper procedures for hot and/or cold weather placements.

#### SAFETY

See Material Safety Data Sheet.

This product contains Portland cement and silica sand. It may cause eye and skin irritation. Avoid contact with eyes and prolonged contact with skin. Do not breathe powder. If contact occurs, rinse thoroughly with water.

#### PRODUCT NOTE

All applications require the use of SOLHYDFLOW PRIMER PLUS before proceeding with the installation of SOLHYDFLOW LITE. Floor preparation is crucial in obtaining a successful underlayment installation. The contractor is responsible of ensuring that all surfaces are well prepared before proceeding with application of SOLHYDFLOW LITE.