

**SECTION 09 67 23.20**  
**RESINOUS (EPOXY BASE) WITH QUARTZ BROADCAST AGGREGATE (RES-2)**

**PART 1 - GENERAL**

**1.1 DESCRIPTION**

- A. This section specifies Resinous (Resinous epoxy base with quartz broadcast aggregate) flooring:
1. Res-2 Resinous (epoxy) vinyl chip flake broadcast flooring system.

**1.2 RELATED WORK**

- A. Color and location of each type of resinous flooring: See drawing A-3

**1.3 SUBMITTALS**

- A. Submit in accordance with Section 01 33 23, SHOP DRAWINGS, PRODUCT DATA, AND SAMPLES.
- B. Manufacturer's Literature and Data:
1. Description of each product to be provided.
  2. Application and installation instructions.
  3. Maintenance Instructions: Submit manufacturer's written instructions for recommended maintenance practices.
- C. Qualification Data: For Installer.
- D. Sustainable Submittal:
1. Product data for products having recycled content, submit documentation indicating percentages by weight of post-consumer and pre-consumer recycled content.
    - a. Include statements indicating costs for each product having recycled content.
  2. Product data for field applied, interior, paints, coatings, and primers, include printed statement of VOC content indicating compliance with environmental requirements.
- E. Samples:
1. Each color and texture specified in Section 09 06 00, SCHEDULE FOR FINISHES.
  2. Samples for verification: For each (color and texture) resinous flooring system required, 6 inches (152 mm) square, applied to a rigid backing by installer for this project.
  3. Sample showing construction from substrate to finish surface in thickness specified and color and texture of finished surfaces. Finished flooring must match the approved samples in color and texture.
- F. Shop Drawings: Include plans, sections, component details, and attachment to other trades. Indicate layout of the following:
1. Patterns.

G. Certifications and Approvals:

1. Manufacturer's certification of material and substrate compliance with specification.
2. Manufacturer's approval of installers.
3. Contractor's certificate of compliance with Quality Assurance requirements.

H. Warranty: As specified in this section.

**1.4 QUALITY ASSURANCE**

A. Manufacture Certificate: Manufacture shall certify that a particular resinous flooring system has been manufactured and in use for a minimum of five (5) years.

B. Installer Qualifications: Engage an experienced installer (applicator) who is experienced in applying resinous flooring systems similar in material, design, and extent to those indicated for this project for a minimum period of five (5) years, whose work has resulted in applications with a record of successful in-service performance, and who is acceptable to resinous flooring manufacturer.

1. Engage an installer who is certified in writing by resinous flooring manufacturer as qualified to apply resinous flooring systems indicated.
2. Contractor shall have completed at least ten (10) projects of similar size and complexity. Include list of at least five (5) projects. List must include owner (purchaser); address of installation, contact information at installation project site; and date of installation.
3. Installer's Personnel: Employ persons trained for application of specified product.

C. Source Limitations:

1. Obtain primary resinous flooring materials including primers, resins, hardening agents, grouting coats and finish or sealing coats from a single manufacturer.
2. Provide secondary materials, including patching and fill material, joint sealant, and repair material of type and from source recommended by manufacturer of primary materials.

D. Pre-Installation Conference:

1. Convene a meeting not less than thirty days prior to starting work.
2. Attendance:
  - a. Contractor
  - b. VA Resident Engineer
  - c. Manufacturer and Installer's Representative
3. Review the following:
  - a. Environmental requirements

- 1) Air and surface temperature
  - 2) Relative humidity
  - 3) Ventilation
  - 4) Dust and contaminants
- b. Protection of surfaces not scheduled to be coated
  - c. Inspect and discuss condition of substrate and other preparatory work performed
  - d. Review and verify availability of material; installer's personnel, equipment needed
  - e. Design and edge conditions.
  - f. Performance of the coating with chemicals anticipated in the area receiving the resinous (urethane and epoxy mortar/cement) flooring system
  - g. Application and repair
  - h. Field quality control
  - i. Cleaning
  - j. Protection of coating systems
  - k. One-year inspection and maintenance
  - l. Coordination with other work
- F. Manufacturer's Field Services: Manufacturer's representative shall provide technical assistance and guidance for surface preparation and application of resinous flooring systems.
- G. Contractor Job Site Log: Contractor shall document daily; the work accomplished environmental conditions and any other condition event significant to the long term performance of the urethane and epoxy mortar/cement flooring materials installation. The Contractor shall maintain these records for one year after Substantial Completion.

#### **1.5 MATERIAL PACKAGING DELIVERY AND STORAGE**

- A. Deliver materials to the site in original sealed packages or containers, clearly marked with the manufacturer's name or brand, type and color, production run number and date of manufacture.
- B. Protect materials from damage and contamination in storage or delivery, including moisture, heat, cold, direct sunlight, etc.
- C. Maintain temperature of storage area between 60 and 80 degrees F (15 and 26 degrees C).
- D. Keep containers sealed until ready for use.
- E. Do not use materials beyond manufacturer's shelf life limits.
- F. Package materials in factory pre-weighed and in single, easy to manage batches sized for ease of handling and mixing proportions from entire package or packages. No On site weighing or volumetric measurements are allowed.

**1.6 PROJECT CONDITIONS**

- A. Environmental Limitations: Comply with resinous flooring manufacturer's written instructions for substrate temperature, ambient temperature, moisture, ventilation, and other conditions affecting resinous flooring applications.
  - 1. Maintain material and substrate temperature between 65 and 85 degrees F (18 and 30 degrees C) during resinous flooring application and for not less than 24 hours after application.
- B. Lighting: Provide permanent lighting or, if permanent lighting is not in place, simulate permanent lighting conditions during resinous flooring application.
- C. Close spaces to traffic during resinous flooring application and for not less than 24 hours after application, unless manufacturer recommends a longer period.
- D. Concrete substrate shall be properly cured for a minimum of 30 days. A vapor barrier must be present for concrete subfloors on or below grade. Otherwise, an osmotic pressure resistant grout must be installed prior to the resinous flooring.

**1.7 WARRANTY**

- A. Work subject to the terms of the Article "Warranty of Construction" FAR clause 52.246-21.
- B. Warranty: Manufacture shall furnish a single, written warranty covering the full assembly (including substrata) for both material and workmanship for a extended period of three (3) full years from date of installation, or provide a joint and several warranty signed on a single document by manufacturer and applicator jointly and severally warranting the materials and workmanship for a period of three (3) full years from date of installation. A sample warranty letter must be included with bid package or bid may be disqualified.

**1.8 APPLICABLE PUBLICATIONS**

- A. The publication listed below form a part of this specification to the extent referenced. The publications are referenced in the text by the basic designation only.
- B. ACI (American Concrete Institute):
  - Comm. 503.1-92.....Four Epoxy Specifications (Reapproved 2003).
- C. American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM):
  - C109.....Standard Test Method for Compressive Strength of Hydraulic Cement Mortars (Using 2" or 50 mm Cube Specimens)
  - C150.....Standard Specification for Portland Cement

C219-07a.....	Standard Terminology Relating to Hydraulic Cement
C267-01 (2006).....	Standard Test Methods for Chemical Resistance of Mortars, Grouts, and Monolithic Surfacing and Polymer Concretes
C307-03 (2008).....	Standard Test Method for Tensile Strength of Chemical-Resistant Mortar, Grouts, and Monolithic Surfacing
C413-01 (2006).....	Standard Test Method for Absorption of Chemical-Resistant Mortars, Grouts, Monolithic Surfacing and Polymer Concretes
C501-84 (2002).....	Standard Test Method for Relative Resistance to Wear of Unglazed Ceramic Tile by the Taber Abraser
C579-01 (2006).....	Standard Test Method for Compressive Strength of Chemical-Resistant Mortars, Grouts, Monolithic Surfacing, and Polymer Concretes
C580-02 (2008).....	Standard Test Method for Flexural Strength and Modulus of Elasticity of Chemical-Resistant Mortars, Grouts, Monolithic Surfacing, and Polymer Concretes
C722-04.....	Standard Specification for Chemical-Resistant Monolithic Floor Surfacing
C811-98 (2008).....	Standard Practice for Surface Preparation of Concrete for Application of Chemical-Resistant Resin Monolithic Surfacing
C881/C881M-02.....	Standard Specification for Epoxy-Resin-Base Bonding Systems for Concrete
D1308-02 (2007).....	Standard Test Method for Effect of Household Chemicals on Clear and Pigmented Organic Finishes
D1652-04.....	Standard Test Method for Epoxy Content of Epoxy Resins
D2240-05.....	Standard Test Method for Rubber Property – Durometer Hardness
D4060-07.....	Standard Test Method for Abrasion Resistance of Organic Coatings by the Taber Abraser
E162-09.....	Standard Test Method for Surface Flammability of Using a Radiant Heat Energy Source

- E648-09a.....Standard Test Method for Critical Radiant Flux  
of Floor- Covering Systems Using a Radiant Heat  
Energy Source
- F1869-09.....Standard Test Method for Measuring Moisture  
Vapor Emission Rate of Concrete Subfloor Using  
Anhydrous Calcium Chloride
- D. Military Specification (Mil Spec):
- MIL-PRF-3134.....Para. 4.7.3, Indentation, No Cracking or Loss of  
Bond Water Absorption
- MIL-PRF-23003A.....Para. 4.6.11, Resistance to Immersion
- E. National Association of Architectural Metal Manufacturers (NAAMM):
- AMP 501.....Finishes for Aluminum
- F. National Fire Protection Association (NFPA):
- 56A.....Inhalation Aesthetics replaced by NFPA 99  
Standard for Health Care Facilities
- G. The Society For Protective Coatings (SSPC):
- SP6.....Commercial Blast Cleaning

## **PART 2 - PRODUCTS**

### **2.1 SYSTEM DESCRIPTION FOR RES-2 (BROADCAST VINYL CHIP FLAKE)**

- A. System Descriptions:
1. Monolithic, multi-component epoxy chemistry resinous flooring system.  
Primer with broadcast quartz aggregates, High performance multi-  
component solvent free epoxy undercoat, with quartz broadcast grit.  
High performance multi component epoxy and solvent free sealers.
- B. Products: Subject to compliance with applicable fire, health,  
environmental, and safety requirements for storage, handling,  
installation, and clean up.
- C. System Components: Verify specific requirements as systems vary by  
manufacturer. Verify build up layers of broadcast and installation  
method. Verify compatibility with substrate. Use manufacturer's  
standard components, compatible with each other and as follows:
1. Primer with Broadcast quartz (primer coat):
    - a. Resin: epoxy.
    - b. Formulation Description: Multiple component high solids.
    - c. Application Method: squeegee, back roll and broadcast.
    - d. Thickness of coat(s): 2-3mil.
    - e. Number of Coats: One.
    - f. Aggregates: Quartz broadcast into wet epoxy primer.
  2. Undercoat: (body coat)
    - a. Resin: Epoxy.

- b. Formulation Description: Pigmented multi-component, high solids.
  - c. Application Method: Notched squeegee and Back roll
  - d. Number of Coats: One.
  - e. Aggregates: Quartz broadcast into wet Undercoat.
  - f. Thickness of coat(s): 20-30mil.
  - g. Number of Coats: One.
3. Sealer coat:
- a. Resin: Epoxy.
  - b. Formulation Description: Multiple component high solids, no solvent UV stable.
  - c. Type/Finsh: Clear Gloss.
  - d. Thickness of coat(s): 2-3mil.
  - e. Number of Coats: (2) two.
  - f. Application: Squeegee and finish roll.
- D. Physical Properties:
- 1. Physical Properties of flooring system when tested as follows:

Property	Test	Value
Tensile Strength	ASTM D638	5,200 psi
Volatile Organic Compound Limits (V.O.C.)	EPA & LEED	Below 100 g/l
Flexural Strength	ASTM D790	4,000 psi
Water Absorption	ASTM C413	0.056%
Coefficient of friction dry/slip index wet	ASTM D2047	>.79 dry >.65 wet
Impact Resistance	ASTM D4226	> 160 in. lbs
Abrasion Resistance	ASTM D4060 CS-17	0.03 gm maximum weight loss
Thermal Coefficient of Linear Expansion	ASTM C531	$17 \times 10^{-6}$ in/in °F
Hardness Shore D	ASTM D2240	85 to 90
Bond Strength	ASTM D7234	>300 psi 100% concrete failure
Chemical Resistance of the following:	ASTM D1380	No Effect
Acetic acid	5 percent	
Ammonium hydroxide	10 percent	
Citric Acid	50 percent	
Fatty acid Motor Oil, 20W		
Hydrochloric acid		
Salt water	10 percent	
Sodium Hydroxide	10 percent	
Sulfuric acid	10 percent	
Trisodium phosphate	10 percent 5 percent	
Urine		
Feces		
Hydrogen peroxide	28 percent	
Distilled Water		
Sodium Hypochloride	5.28 percent	

E. System Characteristics:

1. Color and Pattern: As selected by Resident Engineer from manufacturer's standard colors.
2. Integral cove base: 1 inch (25.4 mm) radius epoxy mortar cove keyed into concrete substrate and or resinous flooring mortar system. No fillers integral cove base must be troweled in place with specified resinous mortar base.
3. Overall System Thickness: Nominal 3/16 to 1/4 inches (4.76 to 6.35 mm).
4. Finish: anti-slip resistant.

5. Temperature Range: Systems vary by manufacturer; approximate range from a minimum of 45 to 150 degrees F.

F. Physical Properties:

1. Physical Properties of flooring system when tested as follows:

**2.2 SUPPLEMENTAL MATERIALS**

- A. Textured Top Coat: Type recommended or produced by manufacturer of seamless resinous flooring system for desired final finish.
- B. Joint Sealant: Type recommended or produced by resinous flooring manufacturer for type of service or joint conditioned indicated.
- C. Provide a chemical resistant epoxy novolac top coat capable of resisting sustained temperatures up to 120°F.
- D. Patching and Fill Material: Resinous product of or approved by resinous coating manufacturer for application indicated. Resinous based materials only. Cementitious or single component product are not acceptable.

**PART 3 - EXECUTION**

**3.1 INSPECTION**

- A. Examine the areas and conditions where monolithic resinous system with integral base is to be installed with the VA Resident Engineer.
- B. Moisture Vapor Emission Testing: Perform moisture vapor transmission testing in accordance with ASTM F1869 to determine the MVER of the substrate prior to commencement of the work. See section 3.4, 3.

**3.2 PROJECT CONDITIONS**

- A. Maintain temperature of rooms (air and surface) where work occurs, between 70 and 90 degrees F (21 and 32 degrees C) for at least 48 hours, before, during, and 24 hours after installation. Maintain temperature at least 70 degrees F (21 degrees C) during cure period.
- B. Maintain relative humidity less than 75 percent.
- C. Do not install materials until building is permanently enclosed and wet construction is complete, dry, and cured.
- D. Maintain proper ventilation of the area during application and curing time period.
  - 1. Comply with infection control measures of the VA Medical Center.

**3.3 INSTALLATION REQUIREMENTS**

- A. The manufacturer's instructions for application and installation shall be reviewed with the VA Resident Engineer for the seamless resinous (urethane and epoxy mortar) flooring.
- B. Substrate shall be approved by manufacture technical representative.

### 3.4 PREPARATION

- A. General: Prepare and clean substrates according to resinous flooring manufacturer's written instructions for substrate indicated. Provide clean, dry, and neutral Ph substrate for resinous flooring application.
- B. Concrete Substrates: Provide sound concrete surfaces free of laitance, glaze, efflorescence, curing compounds, form-release agents, dust, dirt, grease, oil, and other contaminants incompatible with resinous flooring.
  - 1. Prepare concrete substrates as follows:
    - a. Comply with ASTM C 811 requirements, unless manufacturer's written instructions are more stringent.
    - 2. Repair damaged and deteriorated concrete according to resinous flooring manufacturer's written recommendations.
    - 3. Verify that concrete substrates are dry.
      - a. Perform anhydrous calcium chloride test, ASTM F 1869. Proceed with application only after substrates have maximum moisture-vapor-emission rate of [3 lb of water/1000 sq. ft. (1.36 kg of water/92.9 sq. m) in 24 hours.
      - b. MVT threshold for monolithic resinous flooring shall not exceed 3 lbs/1000 square feet (0.0001437 kPa) in a 24 hour period.
      - c. When MVT emission exceeds this limit, apply manufacturer's recommended vapor control primer or other corrective measures as recommended by manufacturer prior to application of flooring or membrane systems.
      - d. Perform in situ probe test, ASTM F2170. Proceed with application only after substrates do not exceed a maximum potential equilibrium relative humidity of 75-80 percent.
      - e. Provide a written report showing test placement and results.
    - 4. Verify that concrete substrates have neutral Ph and that resinous flooring will adhere to them. Perform tests recommended by manufacturer. Proceed with application only after substrates pass testing.
- C. Resinous Materials: Mix components and prepare materials according to resinous flooring manufacturer's written instructions.
- D. Use patching and fill material to fill holes and depressions in substrates according to manufacturer's written instructions.
- E. Treat control joints and other nonmoving substrate cracks to prevent cracks from reflecting through resinous flooring according to manufacturer's written recommendations. Allowances should be included for flooring manufacturer recommended joint fill material, and concrete crack treatment.

### 3.5 APPLICATION

- A. General:** Apply components of resinous flooring system according to manufacturer's written instructions to produce a uniform, monolithic wearing surface of thickness indicated.
1. Coordinate application of components to provide optimum adhesion of resinous flooring system to substrate, and optimum intercoat adhesion.
  2. Cure resinous flooring components according to manufacturer's written instructions. Prevent contamination during application and curing processes.
  3. At substrate expansion and isolation joints, provide joint in resinous flooring to comply with resinous flooring manufacturer's written recommendations.
- F. Broadcast:** Immediately broadcast quartz silica aggregate into the primer using manufacturer's spray caster. Strict adherence to manufacturer's installation procedures and coverage rates is imperative.
- G. Under Coat:** Mix base material according to manufacturer's recommended procedures. Uniformly spread mixed material over previously primed substrate using manufacturer's installation tool. Roll material with strict adherence to manufacturer's installation procedures and coverage rates.
- H. Broadcast:** Immediately broadcast vinyl flakes into the body coat. Strict adherence to manufacturer's installation procedures and coverage rates is imperative.
- I. First Sealer:** Remove excess un-bonded flakes by lightly brushing and vacuuming the floor surface. Mix and apply sealer with strict adherence to manufacturer's installation procedures.
- J. Second Sealer:** Lightly sand first sealer coat. Mix and apply second sealer coat with strict adherence to manufacturer's installation procedures.

### 3.6 TOLERANCE

- A. From line of plane:** Maximum 1/8 inch (3.18 mm) in total distance of flooring and base. Broadcast resinous flooring system will contour substrate. Deviation and tolerance are subject to concrete tolerance.

### 3.7 CURING, PROTECTION AND CLEANING

- A.** Cure resinous flooring materials in compliance with manufacturer's directions, taking care to prevent contamination during stages of application and prior to completion of curing process.
- B.** Close area of application for a minimum of 24 hours.

- C. Protect resinous flooring materials from damage and wear during construction operation.
  - 1. Cover flooring with kraft type paper.
  - 2. Optional 6 mm (1/4 inch) thick hardboard, plywood, or particle board where area is in foot or vehicle traffic pattern, rolling or fixed scaffolding and overhead work occurs.
- D. Remove temporary covering and clean resinous flooring just prior to final inspection. Use cleaning materials and procedures recommended by resinous flooring manufacturer.

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