APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

1. Purpose

1.1 The purpose of this document is to establish uniform procedures for applying the TREMproof® PUMA quick-cure decorative flashing system. The techniques involved may require modifications to adjust to job-site conditions. If you have any questions regarding your application, contact your local Tremco Field Sales Representative for specific design requirements. This document will provide instructions and troubleshooting for the application of TREMproof PUMA to qualify for the manufacturer’s warranty.

2. Substrate Preparation

2.1 Investigation of the substrate should be performed to determine the type of surface preparation that will need to take place to achieve the appropriate surface profile required for the coating application. Depending on the condition of the concrete, one or more types of surface preparations may be required. Refer to ICRi’s Technical Guideline No. 310.2R-2013 - Selecting and Specifying Concrete Surface Preparation for Sealers, Coatings, Polymer Overlays and Concrete Repair for best practices on selecting the appropriate method of concrete preparation. TREMproof PUMA application requires a CSP 3-4.

2.2 For preparation of metal substrates, please follow The Society for Protective Coatings recommendations that are referenced in section 3.12.

3. Conditions for Substrates

Concrete Surfaces:

3.1 Concrete shall be water-cured and attain a 3000 PSI minimum compressive strength. The concrete must be below 6% moisture as measured using a Tramex CME 4 Moisture Meter prior to the coating application. Depending on concrete construction and job site location, additional concrete testing may be required. Please contact your local Tremco Sales or Technical Representative.

3.2 Excess moisture in the concrete can prevent the coating materials from performing as intended. To detect the presence of excess moisture, several tests may be employed:

- ASTM D4263- Standard Test Method for Indicating Moisture in Concrete by the Plastic Sheet Method
- ASTM F2170-02 - Standard Test Method for Determining Relative Humidity in Concrete Floor Slabs
- Calcium Chloride Test

3.3 All concrete surfaces must be shotblast or mechanically abraded using appropriate Cup Grinding Wheel or Zec Wheel to provide required CSP prior to any coating application. For proper methods, refer to ICRi’s Technical Guideline No. 310.2R-2013. For supplier information contact Tremco’s Technical Service.

Metal Surfaces:

3.11 If the project is a restoration deck, old sealant and backing material shall be removed. The joint interface will require a thorough wire brushing, grinding, sandblasting and primer.

3.12 Follow standard SSPC-SP 10/NACE No. 2 Near White Blast Cleaning. A near-white metal blast cleaned surface, when viewed without magnification, shall be free of all visible oil, grease, dust, dirt, mill scale, rust, coating, oxides, corrosion products, and foreign matter.

4. Jobsite Materials

Recommended materials and their use are as follows:

- Dymonic 100: A one-part, moisture curing, gun grade polyurethane sealant for use in precast, masonry, expansion joints, control joints and for use in forming cants.
- Tremco PUMA Primer: A two-part, chemical-curing MMA primer for porous and non-porous surfaces.
- Tremco PUMA Flashing: A two-part, chemical-curing PUMA modified coating used as an elastomeric, waterproofing membrane for TREMproof PUMA.
- Tremco PUMA BC: A thixotropic version of Tremco PUMA BC, used for ramps, vertical rises, detailing and field applied cant beads.
Tremco PUMA TC: A two-part, chemical-curing MMA coating used to lock in aggregate and provide additional chemical and UV resistance to TREMproof PUMA.

Tremco PUMA Cleaner: A one-part PUMA cleaner for all tools such as mixing paddles, squeegees, spiked rollers and spatulas. Always use this cleaner for TREMproof PUMA materials. Never use any kind of solvent to clean any of your tools as this will cause contamination and inhibit cure.

Tremco PUMA Initiator: A benzoyl peroxide-based filler used to react to all components of TREMproof PUMA.

Tremco PUMA Cold Weather Catalyst: Used at temperatures of 20 °F (-6 °C) and below. Please contact Tremco Technical Service for further details.

Aggregate: 0.3 to 0.6 mm (30-50 mesh) sized silica sand for the primer application. For supplier information, contact Tremco Technical Service.

5. Detail Work – Dymonic 100

The preferred method of crack detailing is Tremco PUMA BC. Tremco PUMA BC will fill cracks and moving joints when applied at the recommended thickness, noted in section 8. Please note, Tremco PUMA BC is not for use in the application of expansion joints. If using the preferred crack detailing method, please proceed to section 6, Priming Concrete Surface.

Note: Do not apply sealant to a frosty, damp or wet surface or when substrate temperature is below 40 °F (4 °C) or the surface temperature is above 110 °F (43 °C). Cure times as stated below are based upon standard ambient conditions of 75 °F (25 °C), 50% RH. A decrease in ambient temperature and humidity will significantly lengthen the cure time.

Dymonic 100 must be fully applied and cured prior to the application of Tremco PUMA Primer.

5.1 Lay a 1/4" (6 mm) diameter backer rod into the corner at the juncture of all horizontal and vertical surfaces such as curbs, wall sections, columns, or penetrations through the deck. Apply a bead of Dymonic 100 1" (2.5 cm) wide over the backer rod. Tool the sealant bead to form a 45° cant. Use sufficient pressure to force out any trapped air and to assure complete wetting of the surface. Remove excess sealant from the deck or wall joint. NOTE: Backer rod is only required for moving joints.

5.2 Install a backer rod, 1/8" to 1/4" (3 mm to 6 mm) diameter larger than the joint width to all prepared control joints. Set depth of backer rod to control the depth of the sealant. (Depth of sealant is measured from the top of the backer rod to the top of the concrete surface.) Proper depth of sealant is as follows:

5.2a. For joints 1/4" (6.4 mm) to 1/2" (12.7 mm) wide, the depth ratio should be equal.

5.2b. Joints 1/2" (12.7 mm) wide or greater should have a sealant depth of 1/2" (12.7 mm). The minimum joint size is 1/4" x 1/4" (6.4 mm x 6.4 mm).

5.3 All cracks and joints shall be sealed with Dymonic 100, and tooled flush with the surface. Note: Expansion joints should not be coated over. For treatment of expansion joints, contact your local Tremco Sales Representative.

5.4 Allow sealant to fully cure.

6. Priming Surface

Note: When detailing cracks with Tremco PUMA BC, the surface must be primed but cracks are not to be filled with primer.

6.1 Mix Tremco PUMA Primer for 1 to 2 min prior to the addition of Tremco PUMA Initiator.

6.2 Mix Tremco PUMA Primer thoroughly together with Tremco PUMA Initiator in accordance with Table 2 for 2 to 3 min.

6.3 Apply Tremco PUMA Primer at a minimum of 90 ft²/gal to yield 17 wet mils to the entire area to be coated. The recommended method of application is with a roller. Application below 17 wet mils will result in the primer not curing.

6.4 Once primer is rolled out evenly, lightly broadcast 0.3 to 0.6 mm (30-50 mesh)-size d silica sand into the primer at a rate of 0.7 lb/10 ft².

6.5 Allow Tremco PUMA Primer a minimum of 30 min to fully cure.

7. Detail Work – PUMA Products

Contact local sales representative for expansion joint detailing.

Horizontal to Vertical Transition

7.1 Mix Tremco PUMA BC T for 2 to 3 min prior to the addition of the Tremco PUMA Initiator. Ensure that Tremco PUMA BC T is thoroughly mixed together with the Tremco PUMA Initiator in accordance with Table 2 for 2 to 3 min.

7.2 Apply a cant of Tremco PUMA BC T 1" (2.5 cm) wide at the juncture of all horizontal and vertical surfaces (such as curbs, wall sections, columns or penetrations through the deck). Tool Tremco PUMA BC T to form a 45° cant. Use sufficient pressure to force out any trapped air and to assure complete wetting of the surface. Remove excess material from the deck or wall surface. For a cant bead at a 45° angle in a horizontal to vertical transition, 1 gal of Tremco PUMA BC T for every 38.5 ft (11.74 M) is required.

7.3 Apply Tremco PUMA Primer over the Tremco PUMA BC T cant before applying coating.

Penetrations

7.4 For penetrations, apply Tremco PUMA Primer over the cant, up the penetration to 1" below the top of the projected overburden. Allow primer to cure.

7.5 Following the primer application, mix Tremco PUMA BC R. Mix in Tremco PUMA Initiator in accordance with Table 2.

7.6 Apply the Tremco PUMA BC R mixture using a medium-nap roller to achieve a minimum thickness of 40 mils over the primed penetration, over the cant, and extended minimum of 12 inches onto the horizontal plane. Spiked rollers are not required for change in plane.

8. Base Coat Application

Note: Minimum 75 g of initiator per gallon required in each component.

8.1 Mix Tremco PUMA Flashing for 1 to 2 min prior to the addition of Tremco PUMA Initiator.

8.2 Tremco PUMA Flashing is thoroughly mixed together with the Tremco PUMA Initiator in accordance with Table 2 for 2 to 3 min. Amount of Tremco PUMA Initiator is dependent on the ambient temperature. Please see Table 2 for addition amounts.

8.3 Apply Tremco PUMA Flashing at 40 ft²/gal to yield 40 wet mils (1.0 mm) thick to the entire area.
8.4 Allow Tremco PUMA Flashing a minimum of 45 min to cure.

9. **Top Coat Application**

   **Note:** Minimum 75 g of initiator per gallon required in each component.

   If the system will be under cover, or connected to an adjacent product, please call Tremco Technical Service.

9.1 Mix Tremco PUMA TC for 1 to 2 min prior to the addition of Tremco PUMA Initiator.

9.2 Thoroughly mix Tremco PUMA TC together with the Tremco PUMA Initiator in accordance with Table 2. Amount of Tremco PUMA Initiator is dependent on the ambient temperature. Please see Table 2 for addition amounts.

9.3 Apply Tremco PUMA TC at 20 mils (80 ft²/gal). The recommended method of application is with a roller.

9.4 Allow Tremco PUMA TC a minimum of 1 hr to cure.

10. **Clean Up**

    10.1 Clean all adjacent areas to remove any stains or spills with Tremco PUMA Cleaner.

    10.2 Clean tools or equipment with Tremco PUMA Cleaner.

    10.3 Clean hands by soaking in hot, soapy water then brush with a stiff bristle brush.

11. **Material Usage Guidelines**

    The Following is a guide to determine material usage:

    - **Tremco PUMA Primer:** When applied at 90 ft²/gal (2.21 M²/L) will yield a mil thickness of 17 wet mils.
    - **Dymonic 100:** For a 1" (25 mm) cant bead over a 1/4" (6 mm) backer rod, 1 case of sealant for every 48 lf (14.6 M) is required.
    - **Tremco PUMA Flashing:** When applied at 40 ft²/gal (0.98 M²/L) will yield a mil thickness of 40 wet mils.
    - **Tremco PUMA TC:** When applied at 80 ft²/gal (1.96 M²/L) will yield a mil thickness of 20 wet mils.
    - **Aggregate:** Apply silica sand at a rate of 0.7 lb/10 ft² immediately after the Tremco PUMA Primer application.

12. **Troubleshooting**

    This section describes common industry application issues when certain environmental conditions exist. Below are some commonly seen issues and remedies. If any of these should occur, it is always recommended you contact your local Tremco Sales Representative or Tremco’s Technical Service.

    12.1 Tremco requires that any possible recoating job be reviewed and approved by your Sales and/or Technical Representative prior to installation.

    12.2 When a deck contains too much moisture, the excess moisture may change into a vapor which then condenses at the concrete-membrane interface before the coating has cured, which will cause blisters or bubbles, which, in turn, will interfere with proper adhesion. If this should occur the blisters/bubbles can be cut out, allowing the moisture to escape. After moisture has escaped and the surface is dry, the area can be repaired.

    12.3 If the coating is applied in very hot ambient temperatures, the air in the small spaces between the concrete particles increases in volume and forms blisters. Contact Tremco’s Technical Service should this occur.

    12.4 Tremco PUMA products should only be applied when the UV index is less than 7 and substrate temperatures below 115°F.
Table 1: Quick Reference Application Chart

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<th>Layer</th>
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*Recommended coverage rates are approximate. Varying sand loading methods and surface profiles may increase the amount of material needed to obtain uniform coverage rates.

Minimum 75 g of initiator per gallon required.

Table 2: Temperature Chart

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*Below 14°F (-10°C), please contact Tremco Technical Service for further details.