

Asphalt & Tar Remover

heavy duty cleaner for masonry & concrete

DESCRIPTION AND USE

Sure Klean® Asphalt & Tar Remover is a highly efficient heavy duty solvent cleaner for masonry and concrete. It is easy to apply and water rinsable. Ideal for cleaning and surface preparation, Asphalt & Tar Remover will not damage most masonry or concrete.

ADVANTAGES

- Removes deposits of roofing asphalt, tar and caulking stains common on construction projects.
- Excellent for spot cleaning chewing gum, crayon and lipstick stains.

Limitations

- May damage some synthetic or reflective glass.
- Asphalt & Tar Remover requires thorough rinsing for effective use and results. It is most effective for exterior application where rinse water can be used freely and where adequate ventilation is ensured. For interior applications, use Sure Klean® Fast Acting Stripper.

TYPICAL TECHNICAL DATA

FORM: Clear liquid, aromatic odor
 SPECIFIC GRAVITY: 0.963
 TOTAL SOLIDS: NA
 pH: NA
 WT/GAL: 8.01 lbs.
 FLASH POINT: 79°F (26°C) ASTM D 3278
 FREEZE POINT.: < 22°F (< 30°C)
 SHELF LIFE: 2 years in tightly sealed, unopened container

PREPARATION

Protect people, vehicles, property and all solvent-sensitive surfaces from contact with cleaner, rinse water, wind drift and fumes. Divert or protect auto and foot traffic. Fill all cracks and voids to prevent penetration of fumes into building. Do not discharge rinse water into sewers and waterways.

Some glass and metal finishes installed in recent years may be damaged by Asphalt & Tar Remover. Test or protect if necessary. Sure Klean® Strippable Masking is not appropriate for use with this product. Asphalt & Tar Remover may damage synthetic finishes (such as window gaskets, caulking, sealants, acrylic or polycarbonate sheeting, reflective films, and plastic), wood, roofing materials, paint and all solvent-sensitive surfaces. If such items are to remain in place, protect before overall application.

Ensure fresh air entry and cross ventilation. Extinguish all flames, pilot lights and other potential sources of ignition during use and until all vapors are gone. When applying to exteriors of occupied buildings make sure all windows, exterior intakes and air conditioning vents are covered and air handling equipment is shut down.

Surface and Air Temperature

Cleaning when temperatures are below freezing or will be overnight may harm masonry. Best air and masonry surface temperatures for cleaning are 40°F (4°C) or above. If temperatures have been below freezing, let masonry thaw.

Equipment

Asphalt & Tar Remover can be applied with a brush or low-pressure (40 psi) spray equipment equipped with solvent-resistant hoses and gaskets to avoid discoloration. Do not apply Asphalt & Tar Remover with pressure spray above 50 psi. This drives the cleaner deep into the surface, making thorough rinse difficult.

Rinse with enough water and pressure to flush spent cleaner and dissolved soiling from the masonry surface and surface pores without damage. Inadequate rinsing leaves residues which may stain the cleaned surface. Masonry-washing equipment generating 400-1000 psi with a water flow rate of 6-8 gallons per minute is the best water/pressure combination for rinsing porous masonry.

Asphalt & Tar Remover is recommended for these substrates. Always test. Coverage is in sq.ft./m. per gallon.

| Substrate | Type | Use? | Coverage |
|--------------------------------------|----------------|------|-----------------------|
| Architectural Concrete Block | Burnished | yes | 100 sq.ft. 9 sq.m. |
| | Smooth | yes | |
| | Split-faced | yes | |
| | Ribbed | yes | |
| Concrete | Brick | yes | 100 sq.ft. 9 sq.m. |
| | Tile | yes | |
| | Precast Panels | yes | |
| | Pavers | yes | |
| | Cast-in-place | yes | |
| Fired Clay | Brick | yes | 100 sq.ft. 9 sq.m. |
| | Tile | yes | |
| | Terra Cotta | yes | |
| | Pavers | yes | |
| Marble, Travertine, Limestone | Polished | yes | 100 sq.ft. 9 sq.m. |
| | Unpolished | yes | 100 sq.ft. 9 sq.m. |
| Granite | Polished | yes | 100 sq.ft. 9 sq.m. |
| | Unpolished | yes | 100 sq.ft. 9 sq.m. |
| Sandstone | Unpolished | yes | 100 sq.ft. 9 sq.m. |
| Slate | Unpolished | yes | 100 sq.ft. 9 sq.m. |

Always test to ensure desired results. Coverage estimates depend on surface texture and porosity.

Use a 15-45° fan spray tip. Heated water (150-180°F; 65-82°C) may improve cleaning efficiency. Use adjustable equipment for reducing water flow-rates and rinsing pressure as needed for sensitive surfaces.

Rinsing pressures greater than 1000 psi and fan spray tips smaller than 15° may permanently damage sensitive masonry. Water flow-rates less than 6 gallons per minute may reduce cleaning productivity and contribute to uneven cleaning results.

Storage and Handling

Store in a cool, dry place away from potential ignition sources. Keep tightly closed when not dispensing. Do not alter or mix with other chemicals. Published shelf life assumes upright storage of factory-sealed containers in a dry place. Maintain temperature of 45-100°F (7-38°C). Do not double stack pallets. Dispose of unused product and container in accordance with local, state and federal regulations.

APPLICATION

Before use, read “Preparation” and “Safety Information.”

ALWAYS TEST each type of surface and stain for suitability and results before overall application. Test using the following application instructions. Let panels dry thoroughly before inspection.

Dilution

Use in concentrate. Do not dilute or alter.

Application Instructions

1. Apply liberally to the dry surface using low-pressure (40 psi) spray, or a brush.
2. Let the cleaner dwell for 3-4 minutes. Keep people away from treated surfaces.
3. Reapply cleaner. Brush the stained area vigorously.
4. Working from the bottom of the work area to the top, rinse thoroughly with water to remove residue. Keep the wall below wet and rinsed free of cleaner and residues to avoid streaking.

Cleanup

Clean tools and equipment using fresh water.

SAFETY INFORMATION

Sure Klean® Asphalt & Tar Remover is a solvent based product and may cause symptoms typical with organic solvent and methylene chloride exposures. This is a flammable material. Use appropriate ventilation, safety equipment and job site controls during application. Read full label and MSDS for precautionary instructions before use.

First Aid

Ingestion: Aspiration hazard. Do not induce vomiting. If swallowed, get immediate medical attention. If vomiting occurs, keep head below waist to prevent entry of liquid into lungs.

Eye Contact: Rinse eyes thoroughly for 15 minutes. Get medical assistance.

Skin Contact: Rinse thoroughly. Get medical attention if irritation persists.

Inhalation: Remove to fresh air. Give artificial respiration if not breathing. Get immediate medical attention.

24 Hour Emergency Information: INFOTRAC at 800-535-5053

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