



CharCoat CTI

PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

CharCoat CTI is an easy to apply argon filled, soda lime-borosilicate glass sphere beaded coating designed to insulate the substrate to which it is applied. It is a high solids, thin-film insulating coating that is highly reflective and can be used internally or externally and is non-flammable. The Standard version includes anti-corrosion additives for steel, but is a great coating for all substrate types, including stainless steel!

The combination of the glass beads and the distribution of sizes to fill as much of the volume as possible means that it has excellent insulation properties. This is not just a reflective paint, it does insulate, with testing to date showing R3 equivalence. It provides both reflective and insulation performance, in a fraction of the thickness of other common insulation materials.

PROPERTIES

- Excellent thermal insulation
- Eliminates CUI, and enables easy corrosion inspection.
- Non-hazardous
- No toxic vapours
- Odourless
- Can be applied to surfaces up to 70°C with normal application
- Withstands constant substrate temperatures up to 200°C
- Seamless
- Flexible at low temperatures, can withstand constant temp of -40°C
- Excellent UV resistance and highly reflective
- Easy to apply in difficult areas with brush or roller
- Can provide energy savings with as little as 0.5mm thickness

APPLICATION AREAS

- Roof Insulation
- Defence
- Power Plants
- Refineries
- Fire trucks
- Cold Storage Facilities
- Food Processing Plants
- Shipping containers
- Hot water systems
- Pipe insulation
- Industrial and Manufacture Facilities
- Hot surface touch protection
- Worker comfort in sheds

COLOURS

Standard white. If colour is required, the cured coating can be overcoated with a regular acrylic house paint, urethane top coats, etc. Ensure that the thickness is such that the surface temp is reduced below the maximum temp of the top coat. For larger orders we may be able to arrange tinting prior to delivery, but pastel colours are recommended. Adding colour to the product may reduce thermal efficiencies, particularly dark pigments.



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TYPICAL WET PROPERTIES

Material Properties	Value
Density, cured (kg/L)	0.6
Density, wet (kg/L)	0.9
Mix ratio (by volume)	Single Pack
Solids (mixed) by volume	80%
Theoretical Coverage	0.5mm thick = 0.65L over 1m ²
Max thickness per coat	1.0mm DFT (1.2mm WFT)

TECHNICAL DATA

Heat conductivity at 20°C	0.022 (W/mK)
Min Surface Temp for appl	4°C
Skin Time (substrate and ambient temp dependent)	~45min @ 25°C & 50% RH
Recommended minimum recoat window (substrate & ambient temp dependent)	24 hours
Maximum Recoat Window	NA
Elongation, ASTM412-C	>50%
Pull-off adhesion (Most substrates)	1-1.5 N/mm ²
Constant Service Temp	-10 to 150°C
Peak Service Temperature (Short Duration – Max 2 hrs)	200°C
Water vapour permeability	0.01 mg/mhPa
Reflectivity	92.4%
Application temp range	4-70°C
Shore A Hardness	>10-20

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PACKAGING

Standard 5 gallon Pails. Other sizes may be available on request.

SYSTEM SPECIFICATION

Remove all grease, oil, dust and other contamination.

Steel – Clean to Sa2 to ISO8501-1 minimum

Concrete & Ceramic – Remove dust, oils, grease and other contaminants. Dampen the substrate before application.

Wood – Remove dust, resins and other contaminants from the surface.

Plastic & Plasterboard – Sand surface, dust and degrease as required.

PRIMER

For applications on mild steel pipe, a primer is only required for substrates above 60°C. The primer should be a watered down version of CTI. The amount of clean water to add depends on the temperature of the substrate. Generally, start with 50 to 90% CTI in water. Too lumpy means not enough water, bruising means too much water. Do trial patches to determine the correct mix. For ambient substrate temps, just do a mist coat and allow to dry for 30min or more before applying the first full coat.

For applications on other metal and painted substrates, we recommend the use of a general primer such as Primer 163 for full adhesion.

RECOMMENDED THICKNESS

Contact your distributor for the recommended thickness based on the insulation value required. Generally, 0.5mm DFT is used for basic house and shed insulation, and 1mm minimum for pipes and processing plant. The thicker the product the better the insulation properties.

NUMBER OF COATS

Apply the product in no more than 0.65mm WFT coats (0.5mm DFT).

TOP COAT

Most common house paints, aliphatic urethanes, etc. can be painted over the CTI to give the required colour/impact resistance. If the product is to be used in an exposed environment, particularly where water ponding may occur, a waterproof topcoat is recommended.

TYPICAL SERVICE LIFE

Life expectancy for the CTI is > 15years for most applications.

MAINTENANCE

Being a brushable coating, any minor touch-ups or maintenance is simple. Just clean the surface of dust, grease and oil and other contaminants and re-coat the affected area.

APPLICATION GUIDELINES

The coating is single pack and can be applied using any airless sprayer capable of maintaining a pressure of at least 100bar (1500psi) with 35:1 ratio or greater (i.e. Graco Ultramax II 795 or better). A 523 tip is recommended for most applications, although it will spray through 17-27 thou tips of various fan widths.

Remove any skinned product on the surface of the drum before mixing. Thoroughly mix the product using a jiffy mixer at no more than 300rpm.

Add up to 3% by volume water to improve consistency if the product has started to lose moisture and consistency. More may be added in hot, dry conditions to assist with spraying and maintaining consistency in the hopper/pail.

If the product has been subjected to low temperatures it may freeze and hence for small cured pockets within the drum. If this is occurring and the tip is blocking regularly, we recommend straining it through a 30-60 mesh strainer prior to spraying. Generally, machine and gun filters should be removed. If the tip is still clogging, a 30 mesh machine filter should prevent further clogging.

Spray pressure should be maintained between 500-1200psi, any higher and cracking of the finished film may occur due to damage of the microspheres.

If the coating is applied too thick, alligator cracking can occur.

CURE TIME AND RECOAT TIME

Development of a full cure may take up to 7 days. Material maybe recoated after 24 hours at 20-25°C temperatures, less time at higher temperature substrates.

STORAGE AND HANDLING PRECAUTIONS

The product should be kept properly closed and stored indoors in a well-ventilated area under normal factory conditions. Storage at room temperature (20-35°C) also provides a convenient viscosity for handling.

Storage at low temperatures (below 5°C) is not recommended. This material must be protected from frost.



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