



# SikaGard<sup>®</sup> 551S/552W Primer

Primers for SikaGard Protective Concrete Coatings

## Technical Data Sheet

### DESCRIPTION

**SikaGard 551S Primer** (solvented) and **SikaGard 552W Primer** (water based) are one component primers for **SikaGard** protective concrete coatings.

### USES

For priming the surfaces of:

- \* Concrete and absorbent mineral substrates before the application of **SikaGard 550W Elastic** and **SikaGard 545W Elastofil**.
- \* **SikaGard 552W Primer** can be used as a bonding agent when overcoating old, strongly bonded coatings.

### ADVANTAGES

- \* Water vapour permeable.
- \* Promotes excellent long term bond.

### Technical Data (typical)

<b>Colours:</b>	Opaque/white			
<b>Specific gravity:</b>	1.0 kg/litre			
<b>Volume solids:</b>	20%			
<b>Application temperatures &amp; humidity conditions:</b>	+8°C min, +35°C max (substrate and ambient) Observe dew point RH ≤80% M.C. of substrate ≤5% by wt			
<b>Number of coats:</b>	1 - 2 depending on porous or dense concrete			
<b>Material consumption:</b>	0.15 - 0.20 kg/m <sup>2</sup> /coat			
<b>Overcoating times:</b>	<b>551S</b>	Rain	<b>552W</b>	Rain
Temp (°C)	Between coats (hrs)	Resistant (hrs)	Between coats (hrs)	Resistant (hrs)
<15	24	6	12	2
>20	18	2	6	0.5

All above values are approximate.

## SURFACE PREPARATION

The substrate must be clean, sound, free from laitance, loose and friable particles, dirt and contaminants particularly oil, grease or waxes.

An existing sound and firmly adhering coating may be overcoated, subject to a test area to establish cleaning technique, compatibility and bond, otherwise complete removal is advised.

Preparation by adequate high pressure water jetting or blast cleaning is recommended.

Surface defects, blowholes etc on all substrate types should be prefilled using **Icoment®**, **MonoTop®** or **SikaTop®** reprofiling mortars to provide a defect free surface.

Allow mortars to dry for 3 - 5 days (24 hours - **Icoment® 520**) before primer application. (Dependent on climatic conditions and M.C. ≤5%)

On reprofiled substrates a smooth steel float finish should be avoided on levelling/ pore filling coats. Provide a laitance free fine gripping surface using a plastic or wooden float.

## SUBSTRATE PRIMING

### \* Porous substrates:

1 - 2 coats **SikaGard 551S Primer**  
or

1 - 2 coats **SikaGard 552W Primer**.

### \* Dense/levelled substrates:

1 coat **SikaGard 551S Primer** can be diluted upto 20% with **Sika Thinner C**.

1 coat **SikaGard 552 Primer** can be diluted upto 10% with water

## APPLICATION

**SikaGard 551S Primer** and **SikaGard 552W Primer** should be stirred thoroughly prior to application.

Apply **SikaGard 551S Primer** or **SikaGard 552W Primer** by brush or roller. Airless spray is possible. Equipment trials are recommended.

## IMPORTANT CONSIDERATIONS

- \* Wear suitable protective clothing, gloves and eye protection.
- \* Do not apply in direct sunlight, when dew point conditions prevail or the likelihood of frost.
- \* Application of the primers should not commence if rain is imminent.
- \* Always ensure good ventilation.
- \* **SikaGard 551S** contains solvents. Ensure adequate ventilation.

## CLEANING

Application and mixing tools should be cleaned with **Thinner C** for **SikaGard 551S Primer** and water for **SikaGard 552W Primer** immediately after use. Hardened material must be removed mechanically.

## PACKAGING

Refer to latest price list.

## MATERIAL CONSUMPTION

Theoretical consumptions per coat approximately 0.20 kg/m<sup>2</sup> (0.20 litre/m<sup>2</sup>). Excluding allowances for loss wastage, surface profile and porosity. Allow approximately 10% extra for spray application.

## SHELF LIFE AND STORAGE

Minimum 1 year in unopened original sealed containers stored in dry warehouse conditions (+5°C - +25°C).

### Handling Precautions

Sika products are generally harmless provided that certain precautions normally taken when handling chemicals are observed. The materials must not, for instance, be allowed to come in contact with foodstuffs or food utensils and measures should also be taken to prevent the uncured materials from coming in contact with the skin, since people with particularly sensitive skin may be affected. The use of protective clothing, goggles, barrier creams and rubber gloves is required. The skin should be thoroughly cleaned at the end of each working period either by washing with soap and warm water or by using a resin-removing cream - the use of powerful solvents is to be avoided. Disposable paper towels - not cloth towels - should be used to dry the skin. Adequate ventilation of the working area is recommended. In case of accidental eye or mouth contact, flush with water - consult a doctor immediately. Health and Safety information on Sika Products is available and we strongly advise that this is read prior to their use. Sika products are for professional use and should be stored in sealed containers away from the reach of children.

### Important Note

The information, and, in particular, the recommendations relating to the application and end-use of Sika products, are given in good faith based on Sika's current knowledge and experience of the products when properly stored, handled and applied under normal conditions. In practice, the differences in materials, substrates and actual site conditions are such that no warranty in respect of merchantability or of fitness for a particular purpose, nor any liability arising out of any legal relationship whatsoever, can be inferred either from this information, or from any written recommendations, or from any other advice offered. The proprietary rights of third parties must be observed. All orders are accepted subject to our current terms of sale and delivery. Users should always refer to the most recent issue of the Technical Data Sheet for the product concerned, copies of which will be supplied on request.

Please consult our Technical Sales Department for further information

SIKA LIMITED

Watchmead, Welwyn Garden City, Hertfordshire, AL7 1BQ

Tel: 01707 394444 Email: sika@uk.sika.com

Fax: 01707 329129 www.sika.com

