

TECHNICAL BULLETIN 104

Epoxy Grouting in Hot Weather

High temperatures decrease the working time of epoxy grouts. The guidelines below may help compensate for these conditions.

- A. All epoxy grout components (resin, hardener and aggregate) should be pre-conditioned so the mixed material is between 60°F and 90°F (16°C and 32°C). Due to the mass of palletized material (aggregate), up to 72 hours of pre-conditioning may be required. Store all epoxy grout components in a cool, shaded area out of direct sunlight.
- B. All surfaces, equipment and tools in contact with epoxy grout should be shaded and kept at temperatures between 60°F and 90°F (16°C and 32°C). Do not use water to cool surfaces or equipment in contact with epoxy grout.
- C. Shade application area from direct sunlight and, where feasible, place epoxy grout when temperatures are decreasing, at night or during early morning.
- D. Place epoxy grout immediately after mixing. Do not allow epoxy grout to sit for extended periods of time in buckets or wheelbarrows.
- E. Maintain shading of application area for 24 hours after placement.

REFERENCE:

ACI 351.1R-R99: "Grouting Between Foundations and Bases for Support of Equipment and Machinery"

PIP/API RP 686: "Process Industry Practices"



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