



Guide Specification

PART 1 GENERAL

1.1 SUMMARY

- A. Provide labor, materials, equipment and supervision necessary to install a minimum 1/8" nominal thickness decorative quartz flooring system as outlined in this specification.
- B. The manufacturers application instructions for each product used are considered part of this specification and should be followed at all times.
- C. Related Sections:
 1. Section 03 30 00 - Cast-in-Place Concrete
 2. Section 07 92 00 - Joint Sealants
 3. Section 07 95 00 - Expansion Control

1.2 SYSTEM DESCRIPTION

- A. Neoquartz shall be a complete system of compatible materials supplied by NEOGARD® to create a decorative quartz flooring system utilizing multi-colored ceramic granular aggregate to provide an aesthetic, chemical resistant and durable wearing surface.
- B. Neoquartz shall be designated for application on the specific type of substrate indicated on the drawings.

1.3 SUBMITTALS

- A. Product Data: Submit NEOGARD® product literature and installation instructions.
- B. Project Reference List: Submit list of projects as required by this specification.
- C. Samples: Submit samples of specified decorative quartz flooring system. Samples shall be construed as examples of finish only.
- D. Applicator Approval: Submit letter from manufacturer stating applicator is approved to install the decorative quartz flooring system.
- E. Warranty: Submit copy of manufacturers standard warranty.

1.4 QUALITY ASSURANCE

- A. Supplier Qualifications: Neoquartz, as supplied by NEOGARD®, is approved for use on this project.
- B. Applicator Qualifications: Applicators shall be approved to install specified system.

1.5 DELIVERY, STORAGE AND HANDLING

- A. Delivery: Materials shall be delivered in original sealed containers, clearly marked with supplier's name, brand name and type of material.
- B. Storage and Handling: Recommended material storage temperature is 75°F (23.8°C). Handle products to avoid damage to container. Do not store for long periods in direct sunlight.

1.6 PROJECT CONDITIONS

- A. Environmental Conditions:
 1. Do not proceed with application of materials when substrate temperature is less than 50°F (10°C). It is recommended to maintain a minimum concrete temperature of 50°F (10°C) for a minimum of 48 hours before, during and after installation, or until cured.
 2. Concrete must be free of hydrostatic, capillary or moisture vapor pressure. Substrates in contact with ground must have a properly installed, effective vapor barrier to help prevent potential problems resulting from hydrostatic, capillary or moisture vapor pressure. Moisture content of concrete not to exceed four pounds per 1,000 square feet per 24 hours when tested by the referee or quantitative calcium chloride test method.
 3. Do not apply materials unless surface to receive coating is clean and dry.

1.7 WARRANTY

- A. Upon request, NEOGARD® shall offer the manufacturer's standard warranty upon receipt of a properly executed warranty request form.

PART 2 PRODUCTS

2.1 MANUFACTURER

- A. NEOGARD® Division of JONES-BLAIR® Company, P.O. Box 35286, Dallas, TX 75235, Toll Free (800) 321-6588, Fax (214) 357-7532, www.neogard.com.

2.2 MATERIALS

- A. Neoquartz:
 1. Crack and Joint Filler: 70718/70719 flexible epoxy.
 2. Fillers: P1934 fumed silica and 86364 blended aggregates.
 3. Base Coat: 70714/70715 clear epoxy.
 4. Aggregate: Colored Quartz Aggregate. Specify blend desired.
 5. Seal Coat: 70734/70735 clear epoxy.
 6. Exterior Seal Coat: 70805/7952 or ACRYLITHANE™ HS2/99951 Clear.
 7. Sealant: 70991 or other polyurethane sealant approved by NEOGARD®.

2.3 MATERIAL PERFORMANCE CRITERIA

- A. Typical performance requirements of cured 70714/70715 epoxy used on this project are:

PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS OF CURED FILM		
PHYSICAL PROPERTIES	TEST METHOD	RESULTS
Compressive Strength	ASTM C579	10,900 psi
Tensile Strength	ASTM C307	1,700 psi
Flexural Strength	ASTM C580	4,200 psi
Modulus of Elasticity	ASTM C580	1.16x10 ⁶ psi
Heat Resistance	MIL-D-3234F	Pass
Impacted Load	ASTM D6905	Pass @ ≤112 lbs

- B. Typical performance requirements of cured 70734/70735 epoxy used on this project are:

PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS OF CURED FILM		
PHYSICAL PROPERTIES	TEST METHOD	RESULTS
Compressive Strength	ASTM D695	11,000 psi
Tensile Strength	ASTM D638	8,000 psi
Elongation	ASTM D638	14%
Flexural Strength	ASTM D790	10,000 psi
Flexural Modulus	ASTM D790	400,000 psi
Shore D Hardness	ASTM D2240	82
Adhesion	ASTM D4541	400 psi
Impact Resistance	MIL-D-3134, Sec. 4.7.3	Passes 16ft/lbs
Taber Abrasion (cs17)	ASTM D4060	89 mg/1,000 rev
Water Resistance	ASTM D570	<2%
MVT@20 mils	ASTM E96	0.10 Perm
Fungus & Bacteria Resistance	MIL-F-52505	No Support of Growth Under TT-P-34
Flame Spread	ASTM E84	Class I
Smoke Density Rating	ASTM C84	58.9%

2.4 MIXES

- A. Comply with manufacturer's instructions for mixing procedures.
- B. Carefully measure and mix the components together.
- C. Carefully pre-mix quartz aggregate to match desired color pattern.

PART 3 EXECUTION

3.1 EXAMINATION

- A. Verify that the work done under other sections meets the following requirements:
1. That the concrete substrate surface is free of ridges and sharp projections, sound and dry.
 2. That the concrete was cured for a minimum of 28 days (minimum of 3,500 psi compressive strength). The use of concrete curing agents, if any, shall be of a sodium silicate base only; others require written approval from NEOGARD®.

3. That damaged areas of the concrete substrate be restored to match adjacent areas. Use 70714/70715 epoxy and oven-dry silica aggregate approved by NEOGARD® for filling and leveling at a ratio of one part epoxy mixed with four parts aggregate by volume.

3.2 PREPARATION

- A. Protection:
1. Protect adjacent surfaces from damage resulting from work of this trade. If necessary, mask and/or cover adjacent surfaces, fixtures, equipment, etc. by suitable means.
 2. Provide a suitable work station to mix the coating materials.
- B. Surface Preparation:
1. Cleaning: Surfaces contaminated with oil or grease shall be vigorously scrubbed with a power broom and a strong, non-sudsing detergent. Thoroughly wash, clean and dry. Areas where oil or other contaminants penetrate deep into the concrete may require removal by mechanical methods.
 2. Steel shotblast the surface to remove surface contaminants. Proper care and procedure should be taken to leave the concrete surface as unopened as possible. An improper steel shotblast can cause "pinholes" in concrete surfaces, which can result in blister problems during the application of the Neoquartz flooring system. Note: Shotblasting does not remove deep penetrating oils, grease, tar or asphalt stains. Proper cleaning procedures should be followed to insure proper bonding of the epoxy flooring.
 3. Non-moving Cracks: After shotblasting, fill all non-moving cracks with 70714/70715 epoxy mixed with P1934 fumed silica to form a paste. The mix ratio is one part 70714/70715 epoxy to 2 (up to 3) parts P1934 fumed silica by volume.
 4. Moving Cracks or Control Joints: Route all large cracks, remove dust and debris, and fill flush with 70718/70719 flexible epoxy.
 5. Moving Control Joints: Seal secondary control joints with 70991 sealant. Re-incorporate expansion joints and control joints into flooring system if conditions require. Consult NEOGARD® for details on moving cracks, expansion joint details and moving control joints.
 6. Surface Condition: Concrete must be free of hydrostatic, capillary or moisture vapor pressure. Substrates in contact with ground must have a properly installed, effective vapor barrier to help prevent potential problems resulting from hydrostatic, capillary or moisture vapor pressure. Moisture content of concrete not to exceed four pounds per 1,000 square feet per 24 hours when tested by the referee or quantitative calcium chloride test method.
 7. Do not apply materials unless surface to receive coating is clean and dry.

3.3 APPLICATION

- A. BROADCAST METHOD
1. Base Coat: Mix 70714/70715 clear epoxy at a ratio of 2:1 by volume. Apply at a rate of 80 square feet per gallon (20 mils DFT) to prepared substrate with

a notched squeegee or notched trowel. Back roll with a short-napped phenolic roller to ensure even coverage.

2. Aggregate: Broadcast blended color quartz aggregate into wet epoxy base coat until refusal at a rate of approximately 50 pounds per 100 square feet. Maintain a one to two foot wet edge without any aggregate to allow for a smooth transition to the next pass of neat epoxy. Allow to cure 8 to 12 hours @ 70°F (21.1°C). Remove excess aggregate and lightly sand with a circular floor sander and #50 grit sandpaper to remove any rough spots.
3. Steps 3.3 A1 & 3.3 A2 achieve a nominal thickness of 1/16". Repeat Steps 3.3 A1 & 3.3 A2 until required thickness is achieved or a minimum of 1/8".
4. First Seal Coat: Mix 70734/70735 epoxy at a ratio of 2:1 for three minutes. Apply first seal coat of 70734/70735 epoxy at a rate of 160 square feet per gallon (10 mils DFT) and allow to cure 10 to 14 hours @ 70°F (21.1°C) or until tack free.
5. Second Seal Coat:
 - a. Interior Applications: Mix 70734/70735 epoxy at a ratio of 2:1 for three minutes. Apply second seal coat of 70734/70735 epoxy at a rate of 200 square feet per gallon (8 mils DFT). Allow to cure 24 hours @ 70°F (21.1°C) before allowing foot traffic.
 - b. Exterior Applications: Mix ACRYLITHANE™ HS2/99951 at a ratio of 3:1 for three minutes or CRU 70805/7952 at a ratio of 2:1 for three minutes. Apply second seal coat at a rate of 200 square feet per gallon (5 mils DFT). Allow to cure 24 hours @ 70°F (21.1°C) before allowing foot traffic.
6. Optional Topcoat: To maximize chemical resistance and ease of maintenance, please consult NEOGARD® flooring technical department.

B. TROWEL METHOD

1. Primer: Mix 70714/70715 clear epoxy at a ratio of 2:1 for three minutes. Apply at a minimum rate of 200 square feet per gallon (8 mils DFT). Immediately lightly broadcast 86364 blended aggregates into wet primer to create an anchor profile for the trowel grade material. Primer should be tack free before applying trowel grade material.
2. Trowel Grade: Mix 70734/70735 epoxy at a ratio of 2:1 for three minutes. Add approved aggregate blend at a ratio of 5:1 by volume to resin binder. Screed, rake or trowel mix to required thickness. Smooth and tightly close surface with a power or hand trowel. Lightly mist mineral spirits as a trowel lubricant to help smooth and finish the trowel grade surface, and allow to cure 8 to 12 hours @ 70°F (21.1°C). Lightly sand

with a circular floor sander and #50 grit sandpaper to help smooth any rough areas or trowel marks.

3. Grout Coat: Mix 70734/70735 epoxy at a ratio of 2:1 for three minutes. Apply grout coat of 70734/70735 epoxy at a rate of 200 square feet per gallon (8 mils DFT) and allow to cure 10 to 14 hours @ 70°F (21.1°C) or until tack free.
4. First Seal Coat: Mix 70734/70735 clear epoxy at a ratio of 2:1 for three minutes. Apply first seal coat of 70734/70735 epoxy at a rate of 200 square feet per gallon (8 mils DFT) and allow to cure 10 to 14 hours @ 70°F (21.1°C) or until tack free.
5. Second Seal Coat:
 - a. Interior Applications: Mix 70734/70735 epoxy at a ratio of 2:1 for three minutes. Apply second seal coat of 70734/70735 epoxy at a rate of 200 square feet per gallon (8 mils WFT). Allow to cure 24 hours @ 70°F (21.1°C) before allowing foot traffic.
 - b. Exterior Applications: Mix ACRYLITHANE™ HS2/99951 at a ratio of 3:1 for three minutes or CRU 70805/7952 at a ratio of 2:1 for three minutes. Apply second seal coat at a rate of 200 square feet per gallon (5 mils DFT). Allow to cure 24 hours @ 70°F (21.1°C) before allowing foot traffic.
6. Optional Topcoat: To maximize chemical resistance and ease of maintenance, please consult NEOGARD® flooring technical department for finish coat.

3.4 CLEANING

- A. Remove debris resulting from completion of coating operation from the project site.
- B. Reference Seamless Flooring Systems Manual for typical cleaning methods.

3.5 PROTECTION

- A. After completion of application, do not allow heavy traffic on coated surfaces for a period of at least 48 hours at 75°F (23.8°C), or until completely cured 7 days @ 70°F (21.1°C).

END OF SECTION

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