

### Instructions for Achieving a Quicker Sheen on a Concrete Floor Treated with Ashford Formula

On smooth steel-troweled concrete surfaces, a natural wax-like sheen will appear between 6-12 months after the Ashford Formula application through normal use. Regular daily cleaning with an auto-scrubber and stiff bristle brushes or a black pad will slowly bring up the sheen usually within 3-6 months. This sheen can be accelerated even more by applying a spiff coat, burnishing the floor or a combination of both processes. The following options are just a few of the different techniques that can be used.

**Note: The concrete surface should be at least 28 days old before using these procedures.**

#### STEP 1

Thoroughly clean the floor of laitance, oil, or other contaminants with Curecrete Distribution, Inc.'s CreteClean Plus floor cleaner. A "spiff coat" can be applied only to a clean concrete surface that has been treated with the Ashford Formula. For detailed cleaning guidelines, contact Curecrete Distribution Inc.

#### STEP 2 (Option A)

The "spiff coat" should be applied to concrete where the original treatment of the Ashford Formula is at least two weeks old. Use a low-pressure sprayer to mist the floor surface at the rate of 800-1000 ft<sup>2</sup>/gal (20-25 m<sup>2</sup>/L), depending on the quality and porosity of the concrete. Evenly distribute the material using a ½-inch (15 mm) nap lambs wool pad or micro fiber mop, removing puddles, lap marks, and footprints by back-dragging the applicator. The floor can be subsequently burnished with a propane burnisher (RPM of 1800-3500 recommended) equipped with a black or hog's hair pad.

#### STEP 2 (Option B)

The "spiff coat" should be applied to concrete where the original treatment of the Ashford Formula is at least two weeks old. Use a low-pressure sprayer to mist the floor surface at the rate of 800-1000 ft<sup>2</sup>/gal (20-25 m<sup>2</sup>/L), depending on the quality and porosity of the concrete. As the Ashford Formula is sprayed on the floor, immediately burnish the floor with a propane burnisher with either a black pad or a hog's hair pad. This will harden the liquid Ashford Formula on the surface and impart a sheen.

**Caution: A dried "spiff coat" should not come in contact with water for a period of no less than four (4) weeks.** Allowing the surface of the concrete to become exposed to water before the four (4) week period has lapsed will result in white surface staining that can be very difficult to remove. **If the surface of the concrete cannot be prevented from coming in contact with water for at least four (4) weeks, the manufacturer advises against applying a spiff coat.**