

A Tip Worth Repeating

Acclimatizing your finish to the jobsite is easy to do and can greatly influence the performance of your finish. Ideally the finish and the sub-strate in which you are coating should be nearly equal in temperature. When radical differences exist between the finish and the floor, this opens the door for poor finish performance.

The easiest way to accomplish this is to get the finish to the jobsite when you begin the job. Keep the finish stored on the floor in an open place. This will keep the finish container exposed to the same or near the same temperature conditions as the floor.

If the finish is cold in relation to the floor being coated, poor flow and leveling can occur as well as a finish that is thicker in viscosity. This translates into a coating that is difficult to apply.

If the finish is considerably warmer than the floor, a loss in open time can be observed, as well as a finish that is thinner than normal. Puddles, drips, and flyers are more likely to occur with thinner finish.

Following this simple advice will greatly reduce performance inconsistencies with your coating applications and also costly call backs. ■

