

# **Deck Coating Blister | Pinhole Repair**

## **Required Materials**

- AVM Epoxy Primer 401FC
- AVM 620 Base Resin
- Acetone for primer
- · Xylene for cleaning
- Clean rags
- Sandpaper or grinder (60-80 grit)
- Brush, small roller, trowel, squeegee or putty knife
- Gloves
- Marker

### **Step 1: Inspect and Identify**

- Mark all visible pinholes with a marker.
- Look for clusters or areas where air was trapped.
- Possible moisture (aggregate is a source for moisture contamination)
- Membrane fully cured through (should membrane below be tacky it was not fully cured prior to recoat)
- Were the coating ratios mixed properly?
- Was coating installed at manufactures recommended thickness?
- Was concrete properly prepped CSP-3?

#### **Step 2: Surface Preparation**

- Remove blisters by cutting out and lightly grind or sand the affected area.
- Wipe with solvent (xylene) and let dry.
- Remove dust and debris completely prior to repair.

#### Step 3: Patch the Pinholes/Blisters

- Mix Epoxy primer 401fc 1 part a to 1 part b and dilute with 5% acetone
- Once primer is tack free to the touch and no pin holes are present install 620AL
- Mix AVM 620 fully mix each part separately then together (4-1 ratio) 620 has a 15 minute pot life
- Apply directly into repair areas using a trowel or small roller to bring up to mil thickness
- Feather the edges and ensure coverage no air gaps.
- Sand area to reflect aggregate in the rest of the coating
- A new topcoat may be necessary to ensure an aesthetically pleasing finish

#### **Step 4: Recoat with Topcoat**

- Once patch is cured, apply 620 topcoat.
- Blend the repaired area into the surrounding surface
- Allow full cure before traffic exposure.

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### **Preventative Tips**

To prevent future pinholes/blisters/bubbles

- Prime porous substrates (use AVM 401 if needed).
- Don't apply too thick in a single pass.
- Apply coatings at recommended coverage rates (Frequently check mil thickness with gauge)
- Ensure the deck is dry (use a tramex moisture meter. Deck should not exceed 5lbs per 1000sf)
- · Do not apply coating if inclement weather is imminent
- Ensure sprinkler systems remain off for duration of the cure
- · Begin application as temperatures are dropping
- Ensure proper surface prep is completed prior to coating
- Be certain material is within expiration
- Be aware of dry times on coatings and do not coat prior to cure
- Use proper size squeegee for mil thickness/ proper size roller when rolling







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