

Product Description

Mortar Colors are pure iron oxide pigments designed to be used with all cementitious materials, including Type N, S, M and O strength masonry cement or Portland cement and lime mixtures. The pre-measured units of Interstar Mortar Colors provide uniform color control with the flexibility of using local masonry and/or Portland and lime cements to achieve the proper strength and mix design for brick, block, and stone unit construction.

Interstar Mortar Colors are certified ASTM C979 for integral coloring

Primary Application(s)

Concentrated mortar colors

Benefits

- Easy dispersing
- Maximum coloring power
- Wide variety of vibrant colors
- Environmentally friendly, non-toxic
- Sunfast
- Limeproof
- Non-bleeding
- Custom color matching available

Packaging

Mortar colors are sold in individual unit bags and in cases of 12 bags.

Storage

Store in a cool, dry, well-ventilated area. Protect from moisture.

Properties

- **Appearance:** Dry powder (assorted colors)
- **Odor:** None
- **Bulk Density:** Not available
- **pH:** Not available

Coverage/Dosage

One bag of Type N masonry cement and one bag of Interstar mortar color will lay approximately 150–200 standard bricks.

Limitations: The optimal recommended dose of pigment ranges from 2% (1 bag) to 7% (3 bags) based on the weight of the cementitious materials.

The color saturation point is 10% (4 bags). Higher doses will not enhance the color and may significantly degrade the durability of the finished product. Doses below 1% (½ bag) will result in uneven color variations and a washed-out appearance.



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Directions

Make sure that the sand is dry before mixing a batch of colored mortar. (Wet sand requires a reduction of mixing water.) Only mix the amount of mortar that can be used while maintaining board life. Follow the proportions for color, cement, sand and all other mix ingredients to prevent color variations in the finished product.

Load and mix $\frac{3}{4}$ of the water and $\frac{1}{3}$ of the sand with the masonry/Portland cement, lime mixture and mortar color. Slowly add the balance of sand and water, running the mixer for 5 minutes or more, until a uniform color and desired workability is achieved.

Please see our Mortar Color instruction sheet for complete instructions.

Safety

Appropriate ventilation should be provided to keep dust concentrations below acceptable exposure limits. For additional information, please refer to the Product Safety Data Sheet (SDS).

Availability

Interstar products are available throughout Canada, the United States and Mexico. Please contact our Customer Service Department (1-800-567-1857) to place an order or to find a distributor in your area.

Technical Services

Interstar's technical staff and chemists are always available to offer their expert advice. Should you need technical assistance, please call 1-800-567-1857.

Color matching: The Interstar Color Laboratory is available to match existing colored concrete, develop special color tones, or provide expert color assistance to solve your individual color needs. Please do not hesitate to contact us for more information.

Warranty

The limit of liability of this company shall be the purchase price paid by the user or buyer for the quantity of the Interstar product involved. See Interstar's Warranty for complete details.