SECTION 09 67 23.20
RESINOUS (EPOXY BASE) WITH VINYL CHIP BROADCAST (RES-2)

SPEC WRITER NOTE:
1. Delete // // if not applicable to project. Also delete any other item or paragraph not applicable in the section and renumber the paragraphs.
2. Identified as RES-2 for resinous flooring application in VA Program Guide PG 18-14 “Room Finishes, Door & Hardware Schedule”
   A. Areas of Use
   • Barrier Suite (Ante Room; Changing Room; Holding Room; Shower Room; Toilet Room and Procedure Laboratory)
   • Holding (Room; Quarantine; Radioscopy Waste Decay)
   • Infectious Disease Suite (Ante Room; Changing Room; Holding Room; Shower Room; Toilet Room; Autoclave Room and Procedure Laboratory)
   • Isolation Bathrooms/Toilet
   • Isolation/Seclusion Room (Patient Room; and Toilet Room)
   • Patient (Mental Health) Bathroom/Toilet/Shower
   • Patient (Mental Health) Vestibule Shower Room
   • Toilet, Urine Specimen Collection
3. Resinous flooring application to be installed on properly prepared concrete (lightweight concrete substrate is not acceptable) substrate.
4. Use this specification section

PART 1 - GENERAL
1.1 DESCRIPTION
   A. This section specifies Resinous (Resinous epoxy base with vinyl chip flake broadcast) flooring with integral cove base //and trench liner//:
      1. Res-2 Resinous (epoxy) vinyl chip flake broadcast flooring system.
1.2 RELATED WORK
   A. Concrete and Moisture Vapor Barrier: Section 03 30 00, CAST-IN-PLACE CONCRETE.
   B. Substrate Preparation for Floor Finishes: Section 09 05 16.
   C. Color and location of each type of resinous flooring: As indicated in Section 09 06 00, SCHEDULE FOR FINISHES.
   D. Floor Drains: Division 22, PLUMBING.
1.3 SUBMITTALS

A. Submit in accordance with Section 01 33 23, SHOP DRAWINGS, PRODUCT DATA, AND SAMPLES.

B. Manufacturer's Literature and Data:
   1. Description of each product to be provided.
   2. Application and installation instructions.
   3. Maintenance Instructions: Submit manufacturer’s written instructions for recommended maintenance practices.

C. Qualification Data: For Installer.

D. Sustainable Submittal:
   1. Product data for products having recycled content, submit documentation indicating percentages by weight of post-consumer and pre-consumer recycled content.
      a. Include statements indicating costs for each product having recycled content.
   2. Product data for field applied, interior, paints, coatings, and primers, include printed statement of VOC content indicating compliance with environmental requirements.

E. Samples:
   1. Each color and texture specified in Section 09 06 00, SCHEDULE FOR FINISHES.
   2. Samples for verification: For each (color and texture) resinous flooring system required, 6 inches (152 mm) square, applied to a rigid backing by installer for this project.
   3. Sample showing construction from substrate to finish surface in thickness specified and color and texture of finished surfaces. Finished flooring must match the approved samples in color and texture.

F. Shop Drawings: Include plans, sections, component details, and attachment to other trades. Indicate layout of the following:
   1. Patterns.
   2. Edge configuration//s//.

G. Certifications and Approvals:
   1. Manufacturer's certification of material and substrate compliance with specification.
   2. Manufacturer's approval of installer//s//.
   3. Contractor's certificate of compliance with Quality Assurance requirements.
H. Warranty: As specified in this section.

1.4 QUALITY ASSURANCE

A. Manufacture Certificate: Manufacture shall certify that a particular resinous flooring system has been manufactured and in use for a minimum of five (5) years.

B. Installer Qualifications: Engage an experienced installer (applicator) who is experienced in applying resinous flooring systems similar in material, design, and extent to those indicated for this project for a minimum period of five (5) years, whose work has resulted in applications with a record of successful in-service performance, and who is acceptable to resinous flooring manufacturer.

1. Engage an installer who is certified in writing by resinous flooring manufacturer as qualified to apply resinous flooring systems indicated.

2. Contractor shall have completed at least ten (10) projects of similar size and complexity. Include list of at least five (5) projects. List must include owner (purchaser); address of installation, contact information at installation project site; and date of installation.


C. Source Limitations:

1. Obtain primary resinous flooring materials including primers, resins, hardening agents, grouting coats and finish or sealing coats from a single manufacturer.

2. Provide secondary materials, including patching and fill material, joint sealant, and repair material of type and from source recommended by manufacturer of primary materials.

SPEC WRITER NOTE: Mockups required for projects over 5,000 square feet or where the constructed scope requires specific details to capture, such as texture, transitions, but not limited to.

D. Mockups: Apply mockups to verify selections made under sample submittals and to demonstrate aesthetic effects and establish quality standards for materials and execution.

1. Apply full-thickness mockups on 48 inch (1200 mm)square floor area selected by VA COR.

   a. If applicable include 48 inch (1200 mm)length of integral cove base.
2. Approved mockups not damaged during the testing may become part of the completed work if undisturbed at time of Substantial Completion.
3. Sign off from VA COR on texture for slip resistance and clean ability must be complete before installation of flooring system.

E. Pre-Installation Conference:
1. Convene a meeting not less than thirty days prior to starting work.
2. Attendance:
   a. Contractor
   b. VA COR
   c. Manufacturer and Installer's Representative
3. Review the following:
   a. Environmental requirements
      1) Air and surface temperature
      2) Relative humidity
      3) Ventilation
      4) Dust and contaminates
   b. Protection of surfaces not scheduled to be coated
   c. Inspect and discuss condition of substrate and other preparatory work performed
   d. Review and verify availability of material; installer’s personnel, equipment needed
   e. Design //and pattern// ///s/// and edge conditions.
   f. Performance of the coating with chemicals anticipated in the area receiving the resinous (urethane and epoxy mortar/cement) flooring system
   g. Application and repair
   h. Field quality control
   i. Cleaning
   j. Protection of coating systems
   k. One-year inspection and maintenance
   l. Coordination with other work

F. Manufacturer’s Field Services: Manufacturer’s representative shall provide technical assistance and guidance for surface preparation and application of resinous flooring systems.

G. Contractor Job Site Log: Contractor shall document daily; the work accomplished environmental conditions and any other condition event significant to the long term performance of the urethane and epoxy
mortar/cement flooring materials installation. The Contractor shall maintain these records for one year after Substantial Completion.

1.5 MATERIAL PACKAGING DELIVERY AND STORAGE

A. Deliver materials to the site in original sealed packages or containers, clearly marked with the manufacturer's name or brand, type and color, production run number and date of manufacture.

B. Protect materials from damage and contamination in storage or delivery, including moisture, heat, cold, direct sunlight, etc.

C. Maintain temperature of storage area between 60 and 80 degrees F (15 and 26 degrees C).

D. Keep containers sealed until ready for use.

E. Do not use materials beyond manufacturer's shelf life limits.

F. Package materials in factory pre-weighed and in single, easy to manage batches sized for ease of handling and mixing proportions from entire package or packages. No on-site weighing or volumetric measurements are allowed.

1.6 PROJECT CONDITIONS

A. Environmental Limitations: Comply with resinous flooring manufacturer's written instructions for substrate temperature, ambient temperature, moisture, ventilation, and other conditions affecting resinous flooring application.

1. Maintain material and substrate temperature between 65 and 85 degrees F (18 and 30 degrees C) during resinous flooring application and for not less than 24 hours after application.

2. Concrete substrate shall be properly cured per referenced section 03 30 00, CAST-IN-PLACE CONCRETE. Standard cure time a minimum of 30 days. A vapor barrier must be present for concrete subfloors on or below grade.

   a. Resinous flooring applications where moisture testing resulting in readings exceeding limits as defined in this specification under part 3, section 3.4, paragraph B, shall employ a multiple component 15 mil thick system designed to suppress excess moisture in concrete.

   b. Application at a minimum thickness of 15 mils, over properly prepared concrete substrate as defined in section 3.4.

   c. Moisture suppression system must meet the design standards as follows:
B. Lighting: Provide permanent lighting or, if permanent lighting is not in place, simulate permanent lighting conditions during resinous flooring application.

C. Close spaces to traffic during resinous flooring application and for not less than 24 hours after application, unless manufacturer recommends a longer period.

1.7 WARRANTY

A. Work subject to the terms of the Article “Warranty of Construction” FAR clause 52.246-21.

B. Warranty: Manufacture shall furnish a single, written warranty covering the full assembly (including substrata) for both material and workmanship for a extended period of three (3) full years from date of installation, or provide a joint and several warranty signed on a single document by manufacturer and applicator jointly and severally warranting the materials and workmanship for a period of three (3) full years from date of installation. A sample warranty letter must be included with bid package or bid may be disqualified.

SPEC WRITER NOTE:
Update and specify publications which apply to the project.
1.8 APPLICABLE PUBLICATIONS

A. The publication listed below form a part of this specification to the extent referenced. The publications are referenced in the text by the basic designation only.


C. ASTM International (ASTM):

C413-18.................Absorption of Chemical-Resistant Mortars, Grouts, Monolithic Surfacing, and Polymer Concretes

C531-18...............Linear Shrinkage and Coefficient of Thermal Expansion of Chemical-Resistant Mortars, Grouts, Monolithic Surfacings, and Polymer Concretes

D638-14.................Tensile Properties of Plastics

D790-17...............Flexural Properties of Unreinforced and Reinforced Plastics and Electrical Insulating Materials

D1308-02..............Effect of Household Chemicals on Clear and Pigmented Organic Finishes

D2240-15e1.............Rubber Property—Durometer Hardness

D4060-19..............Abrasion Resistance of Organic Coatings by the Taber Abraser

D4226-19..............Impact Resistance of Rigid (Poly-Vinyl Chloride) (PVC) Building Products

D4259-18..............Abrading Concrete to alter the surface profile of the concrete and to remove foreign materials and weak surface laitance

E96/E96M-16)...........Water Vapor Transmission of Materials

F1869-16a..............Measuring Moisture Vapor Emission Rate of Concrete Subfloor Using Anhydrous Calcium Chloride

F2170-19a..............Determining Relative Humidity in Concrete Floor Slabs Using in situ Probes
D. American National Standards Institute (ANSI)  
A326.3-17............Standard Test Method for Measuring Dynamic Coefficient of Friction of Hard Surface Flooring Materials

PART 2 - PRODUCTS
2.1 SYSTEM DESCRIPTION FOR RES-2 (BROADCAST VINYL CHIP FLAKE)

A. System Descriptions:


B. Products: Subject to compliance with applicable fire, health, environmental, and safety requirements for storage, handling, installation, and clean up.

C. System Components: Verify specific requirements as systems vary by manufacturer. Verify build up layers of broadcast and installation method. Verify compatibility with substrate. Use manufacturer’s standard components, compatible with each other and as follows:

1. Primer with Broadcast quartz (primer coat):
   a. Resin: epoxy.
   b. Formulation Description: Multiple component high solids.
   c. Application Method: squeegee, back roll and broadcast.
   d. Thickness of coat(s): 10-20 mil.
   e. Number of Coats: One.
   f. Aggregates: Quartz broadcast into wet epoxy primer.

2. Undercoat: (body coat)
   a. Resin: Epoxy.
   b. Formulation Description: Pigmented multi-component, high solids.
   c. Application Method: Notched squeegee and Back roll
   d. Number of Coats: One.
   e. Aggregates: vinyl chip flake broadcast into wet Undercoat.
   f. Thickness of coat(s): 30-60 mils.
   g. Number of Coats: One.

3. Sealer coat:
   a. Resin: Epoxy.
b. Formulation Description: Multiple component high solids, no solvent UV stable.
c. Type/Finish: Clear Gloss.
d. Thickness of coat(s): 5-10 mils.
e. Number of Coats: (2) two.
f. Application: Squeegee and finish roll.

D. System Characteristics:
1. Color and Pattern: As selected by COR from manufacturer's standard colors.
2. Integral cove base: ½ inch radius epoxy mortar cove keyed into concrete substrate and or resinous flooring mortar system. No fillers integral cove base must be troweled in place with specified resinous mortar base.
3. Overall System Thickness: Nominal 1/8”, 2 to 3 mm.

SPEC WRITER NOTE:
Options for thicker system with epoxy or urethane trowel applied mortars nominal 3/16 to 1/4 inch. Provision will need to be applied in section 2.1C.

4. Finish: // standard// or //texture finish// or //anti-slip resistant//.
5. Temperature Range: Systems vary by manufacturer; approximate range from a minimum of 45 to 150 degrees F.

E. Physical Properties:
1. In accordance with ANSI A326.3 the DCOF (Dynamic Coefficient of Friction) shall be 0.42 or greater when the flooring surface is wet.
2. Physical Properties of flooring system when tested as follows

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1. Acetic acid (5 percent)
2. Ammonium hydroxide (10 percent)
3. Citric Acid (50 percent)
4. Fatty Acid
5. Motor Oil, 20W
6. Hydrochloric acid (20 percent)
7. Sodium Chloride
8. Sodium Hypochlorite (10 percent)
9. Sodium Hydroxide (30 percent)
10. Sulfuric acid (25 percent)
11. Urine, Feces
12. Hydrogen peroxide (10 percent)

2.2 SUPPLEMENTAL MATERIALS

A. Textured Top Coat: Type recommended or produced by manufacturer of seamless resinous flooring system, // slip resistance// // type and profile of// for desired final finish.

B. Joint Sealant: Type recommended or produced by resinous flooring manufacturer for type of service or joint conditioned indicated.

SPEC WRITER NOTE:
Positive side waterproofing membrane recommended for wet areas above grade.

C. Waterproof Membrane: Type recommended or produced by manufacturer of resinous floor coatings for type of service and conditions as //indicated in Drawings// and/or specified //.

SPEC WRITER NOTE:
Provide highly chemically resistant
Topcoat

D. // Provide a chemical resistant epoxy novolac top-coat capable of resisting sustained temperatures up to //120 degrees C (250 degrees F).

SPEC WRITER NOTE:
Crack Isolation membrane recommended for new flooring in existing structures.

E. // Crack Isolation Membrane: Type recommended or produced by manufacturer of resinous flooring for conditions as //indicated in Drawings// and/or specified //.

SPEC WRITER NOTE:
Anti-Microbial Additive is optional and recommended where possibility of infection occurs.

F.// Anti-Microbial Additive: Incorporate anti-microbial chemical additive to prevent growth of most bacteria, algae, fungi, mold, mildew, yeast, etc.//.

SPEC WRITER NOTE:
If sub-floor is not level is should be filled and leveled. See Application of epoxy or urethane, (climatic or non-climatic) resinous mortar base.

G.// Patching and Fill Material: Resinous product of or approved by resinous coating manufacturer for application indicated. Resinous based materials only. Cementitious or single component product are not expectable//.

2.3 BASE CAP STRIP
A. Zinc cove strip.
B. Shape for 2mm depth of base material, "J" or "L" configuration.
C. Finish:
   1. Finish exposed surfaces in accordance with NAAMM Metal Finishes Manual.

PART 3 - EXECUTION

3.1 INSPECTION
A. Examine the areas and conditions where monolithic resinous system with integral base is to be installed with the VA COR.
B. Moisture Vapor Emission Testing: Perform moisture vapor transmission testing in accordance with ASTM F1869 to determine the MVER of the substrate prior to commencement of the work. See section 3.4, 3.
3.2 PROJECT CONDITIONS

A. Maintain temperature of rooms (air and surface) where work occurs, between 70- and 90-degrees F (21 and 32 degrees C) for at least 48 hours, before, during, and 24 hours after installation. Maintain temperature at least 70 degrees F (21 degrees C) during cure period.

B. Maintain relative humidity less than 75 percent.

C. Do not install materials until building is permanently enclosed and wet construction is complete, dry, and cured.

D. Maintain proper ventilation of the area during application and curing time period.
   1. Comply with infection control measures of the VA Medical Center.

3.3 INSTALLATION REQUIREMENTS

A. The manufacturer's instructions for application and installation shall be reviewed with the VA COR for the seamless resinous (urethane and epoxy mortar) flooring system with integral cove base //and trench liner//.

B. Substrate shall be approved by manufacture technical representative.

3.4 PREPARATION

A. General: Prepare and clean substrates according to resinous flooring manufacturer's written instructions for substrate indicated. Provide clean, dry, and neutral Ph substrate for resinous flooring application.  

   SPEC WRITER NOTE: Retain first paragraph and subparagraph below for concrete substrates. Insert requirements for other substrates to suit project.

B. Concrete Substrates: Provide sound concrete surfaces free of laitance, glaze, efflorescence, curing compounds, form-release agents, dust, dirt, grease, oil, and other contaminants incompatible with resinous flooring.
   1. Prepare concrete substrates as follows:
      a. Shot-blast surfaces with an apparatus that abrades the concrete surface, contains the dispensed shot within the apparatus, and recirculates the shot by vacuum pickup.

         SPEC WRITER NOTE: Delete above subparagraph or first subparagraph below. See Evaluations.

      b. Comply with ASTM D4259 requirements, unless manufacturer's written instructions are more stringent.
2. Repair damaged and deteriorated concrete according to resinous flooring manufacturer's written recommendations.

   SPEC WRITER NOTE: Consider including allowance or unit price for remedial procedures if concrete substrates exhibit unacceptable moisture-vapor emission rates. See “Moisture and Flooring Failures” Article in the Evaluations, As materials and product types vary, consulting manufacturers employed technical departments for appropriate recommendations that will allow or suppress moisture-vapor is mandatory.

3. Verify that concrete substrates are dry.
   a. Perform anhydrous calcium chloride test, ASTM F 1869. Proceed with application only after substrates have maximum moisture-vapor-emission rate of [3 lb of water/1000 square feet (1.36 kg of water/92.9 square meters)] in 24 hours. Per manufacturers recommendations.
   b. MVT threshold for monolithic resinous flooring shall not exceed 3 lbs/1000 square feet (0.0001437 kPa) in a 24-hour period.
   c. When MVT emission exceeds this limit, apply manufacturer’s recommended vapor control primer or other corrective measures as recommended by manufacturer prior to application of flooring or membrane systems.
   d. Perform in situ probe test, ASTM F2170. Proceed with application only after substrates do not exceed a maximum potential equilibrium relative humidity of 85 percent.
   e. Provide a written report showing test placement and results.

4. Verify that concrete substrates have neutral Ph and that resinous flooring will adhere to them. Perform tests recommended by manufacturer. Proceed with application only after substrates pass testing.

C. Resinous Materials: Mix components and prepare materials according to resinous flooring manufacturer's written instructions.

D. Use patching and fill material to fill holes and depressions in substrates according to manufacturer's written instructions.

E. Treat control joints and other nonmoving substrate cracks to prevent cracks from reflecting through resinous flooring according to manufacturer's written recommendations. Allowances should be included
for flooring manufacturer recommended joint fill material, and concrete crack treatment.

F. Prepare wall to receive integral cove base //and trench liner//:

1. Verify wall material is acceptable for resinous flooring application, if not, install material (e.g. cement board) to receive base.

2. Fill voids in wall surface to receive base, install undercoats (e.g. waterproofing membrane, and/or crack isolation membrane) as recommended by resinous flooring manufacturer.

3. Install base //and trench liner// prior to flooring if required by resinous flooring manufacturer.

4. Grind, cut or sand protrusions to receive base application.

3.5 APPLICATION

A. General: Apply components of resinous flooring system according to manufacturer's written instructions to produce a uniform, monolithic wearing surface of thickness indicated.

1. Coordinate application of components to provide optimum adhesion of resinous flooring system to substrate, and optimum intercoat adhesion.

2. Cure resinous flooring components according to manufacturer's written instructions. Prevent contamination during application and curing processes.

SPEC WRITER NOTE: Delete subparagraph below if no expansion or isolation joints in floor. Detail joints on Drawings and revise below to suit project.

3. At substrate expansion and isolation joints, provide joint in resinous flooring to comply with resinous flooring manufacturer's written recommendations.
   a. Apply joint sealant to comply with manufacturer's written recommendations.

SPEC WRITER NOTE: Delete paragraph below if only self-priming systems are required,

B. Apply Primer: over prepared substrate at manufacturer's recommended spreading rate for all areas to receive integrated cove base.

C. Apply cove base: Trowel to wall surfaces at a 1-inch radius, before applying flooring. Apply according to manufacturer's written
instructions and details including those for taping, mixing, priming, and troweling, sanding, and top coating of cove base. Round internal and external corners.

D. Apply Primer: over prepared substrate at manufacturer's recommended spreading rate.

SPEC WRITER NOTE: If sub-floor is not level, most commonly seen in renovation please keep 3.5, E. Omit 3.5, E if substrate is in good condition typically new concrete broadcast "only" application.

E. Trowel mortar base: Mix mortar material according to manufacturer's recommended procedures. Climatic and non-climatic resinous flooring systems may vary slightly on mode of application. Application should be based upon the following: Uniformly spread mortar over substrate using a specially designed screed box adjusted to manufacturer's recommended height. Metal trowel (hand or power) single mortar coat in thickness indicated for flooring system, grout to fill substrate voids. When cured, sand to remove trowel marks and roughness.

F. Broadcast: Immediately broadcast quartz silica aggregate into the primer using manufacturer's spray caster. Strict adherence to manufacturer's installation procedures and coverage rates is imperative.

SPEC WRITER NOTE: Delete paragraph below if no integral cove base. If retaining insert requirements for installing metal or plastic cove caps if required.

G. Under Coat: Mix base material according to manufacturer's recommended procedures. Uniformly spread mixed material over previously primed substrate using manufacturer's installation tool. Roll material with strict adherence to manufacturer's installation procedures and coverage rates.

H. Broadcast: Immediately broadcast vinyl flakes into the body coat. Strict adherence to manufacturer's installation procedures and coverage rates is imperative.

I. First Sealer: Remove excess un-bonded flakes by lightly brushing and vacuuming the floor surface. Mix and apply sealer with strict adherence to manufacturer's installation procedures.
J. Second Sealer: Lightly sand first sealer coat. Mix and apply second sealer coat with strict adherence to manufacturer's installation procedures.

3.6 TOLERANCE
A. From line of plane: Maximum 1/8 inch (3.18 mm) in total distance of flooring and base. Broadcast resinous flooring system will contour substrate. Deviation and tolerance are subject to concrete tolerance.
B. From radius of cove: Maximum of 1/8 inch (3.18 mm) plus or 1/16-inch (1.59 mm) minus.

3.7 ENGINEERING DETAILS
A. Chase edges to "lock" the flooring system into the concrete substrate along lines of termination.
B. Penetration Treatment: Lap and seal resinous system onto the perimeter of the penetrating item by bridging over compatible elastomer at the interface to compensate for possible movement.
C. Trenches: Continue flooring system into trenches to maintain monolithic protection. Treat cold joints to assure bridging of potential cracks.
D. Treat floor drains by chasing the flooring system to lock in place at point of termination.
E. Treat control joints to bridge potential cracks and to maintain monolithic protection. Treat cold joints and construction joints to bridge potential cracks and to maintain monolithic protection on horizontal and vertical surfaces as well as horizontal and vertical interfaces.
F. Discontinue Resinous floor system at vertical and horizontal contraction and expansion joints by installing backer rod and compatible sealant after coating installation is completed. Provide sealant type recommended by manufacturer for traffic conditions and chemical exposures to be encountered.

3.8 CURING, PROTECTION AND CLEANING
A. Cure resinous flooring materials in compliance with manufacturer's directions, taking care to prevent contamination during stages of application and prior to completion of curing process.
B. Close area of application for a minimum of 24 hours.
C. Protect resinous flooring materials from damage and wear during construction operation.
   1. Cover flooring with kraft type paper.
2. Optional 6 mm (1/4 inch) thick hardboard, plywood, or particle board where area is in foot or vehicle traffic pattern, rolling or fixed scaffolding and overhead work occurs.

D. Remove temporary covering and clean resinous flooring just prior to final inspection. Use cleaning materials and procedures recommended by resinous flooring manufacturer.

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