

# SEALCOATING TECH TIPS



## KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

### Hot-Weather Sealcoating

When air temperatures are approximately 95°F or higher, pavement temperature can soar to 145°F or more. In these conditions, sealcoating can be tricky. That's because the pavement can cause flash drying, a process whereby water in the sealer evaporates from the bottom up.

If this occurs, the sealer may not cure correctly leaving the coating in a semi-cured or tacky state that can result in vehicle/pedestrian tracking and scuffing of the sealed pavement. But, you can help minimize flash drying and its effects.

- ✗ Do not apply a heavy, single coat. Two lighter coats will cure better and be more durable.
- ✓ Do mist or slightly wet the pavement before sealing to help reduce the pavement temperature.
- ✓ Do add an additional 5% water to your mix design to reduce the chances of a partial cure or tacky situation.
- ✓ Do use our additive products such as AQS 3 or Rapid Set to accelerate the curing process in the middle of the sealer and upwards.



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