

Gaco Western

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General Instructions:

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GACOFLEX CONSTRUCTION THINNERS

Gaco Western manufactures a variety of thinners for use with GacoFlex coatings. GacoFlex thinners are formulated to provide optimum results when used with GacoFlex coatings according to product, application method or job conditions. Use of non-GacoFlex thinners with our products is not recommended. The wrong or off-grade thinner can seriously damage the performance of the coating.

Thinners that contain water, alcohol, or alcohol like solvents affect polyurethane coatings. These materials will limit or stop the cure of all GacoFlex products. The result can be sticky, uncured rubber with poor physical properties and little weather resistance. For this reason we cannot guarantee the results when a non-GacoFlex thinner is used with GacoFlex product line. Chart below list appropriate thinners for each product and application method.

Spray Thinner:

Fast evaporating for quick dry time. Provides good vertical hold with less chance of sags or runs in the coating.

Regular Thinner:

General all purpose thinner for brush or roller application and to clean tools.

Trowel Thinner:

Formulated specifically to add good troweling properties to GacoFlex U-66 Polyurethane for GacoDeck applications.

Slow Thinner:

Roll or Trowel Thinner is formulated to increase open time for surface conditions between 85°F and 110°F (29.4°C and 43.3°C).

See chart on following page.

The following chart lists the thinners that are best for each GacoFlex Product. As a rule of thumb, T-5116 and T-5118 are to be used with polyurethane coatings.

GACOFLEX THINNER CHART	T-5112 REGULAR	T-5116 POLYURETHANE REGULAR	T-5118 POLYURETHANE TROWELING	T-5135 POLYURETHAN E REGULAR
GacoFlex LM-60 Polyurethane	YES	YES	NR	NR
GacoFlex S-10 Silicone	NR	NR	NR	YES
GacoFlex U-64 Polyurethane	NR	YES	YES	NR
GacoFlex U-66 Polyurethane	NR	YES	YES	NR
GacoFlex UA-60 Aliphatic Polyurethane	NR	NR	NR	NR
GacoFlex UA-7090 Clear Aliphatic Polyurethane	YES	YES	YES	NR
GacoFlex UB-64 Polyurethane Base Coat	NR	YES	NR	NR

- YES** Recommended thinner for this product. Choose a thinner according to application method and job conditions
- NR** Not recommended, but may be used under certain conditions. Consult Gaco Western Technical Department.
- NO** Do not use. Will severely harm performance of coating system.