

# FORMSTRIP

## Concrete Chemical Release Agent BCA (C&CA) Category 5

### DESCRIPTION

**FORMSTRIP** is a cost effective formulation of hydrocarbon carrier and chemically active ingredient producing a low viscosity concrete mould release agent suitable for use on "good one side" shuttering ply, MDO, timber, steel, and plastic moulds or shutter faces. It is also effective on sawn boards. It is applied by spray or brush prior to concrete casting to achieve a clean "strike" on release. After formwork removal, the resultant concrete has a smooth, hard, uniform finish with reduced incidences of blow holes.

### ADVANTAGES

- Effects a clean positive release, which reduces labour costs, cleaning time and possible damage to formwork.
- Produces a uniform stain free, quality concrete finish.
- Protects timber forms against ingress of moisture, extending their useful life.
- Oil derived product helps prevent rusting of metal forms, supports and associated equipment.

### PROPERTIES

Appearance:	Low Viscosity Brown– Amber Liquid
Specific Gravity:	0.84 @ 20°C
Freezing Point:	less than –5°C
Flash Point:	65°C
Storage Life:	In excess of 2 years in manufacturer's sealed drums.

### APPLICATION

**FORMSTRIP** is supplied ready for use do not dilute. All formwork surfaces should be clean prior to application. Apply a thin uniform coating to the formwork surface avoiding over application. Spraying is the preferred method of application using a sprayer such as a Gloria 410T with an 8001 Tip size, however brush or rollers may be used.

Once the formwork has been struck apply again as soon as possible to give added protection from weather.

Many new forms are not factory treated with oils, so for new or 'unsealed' timber formwork, pre-treatment is essential with two coats prior to use. This will extend the useful life of the form and help to standardise surface absorbency, consideration could also be given to primary sealing with DiChem Shuttawax or DiChem Formseal PU.

### COVERAGE

25 to 60m<sup>2</sup>/litre dependent on type of form, porosity, texture of surface and ambient temperature.

Plywood:	25-30m <sup>2</sup> /litre
MDO & HDO Plywood:	30-40m <sup>2</sup> /litre
Plastic Coated Plywoods:	40-60m <sup>2</sup> /litre
Metal Forms:	40-60m <sup>2</sup> /litre

### STORAGE & HANDLING

**FORMSTRIP** in manufacturer's sealed drums requires no special storage facilities

Material should be applied in well ventilated areas.

Keep away from naked flames, electrical equipment, food-stuffs and children

### PACKAGING & TRANSPORT

**FORMSTRIP** is supplied in 25ltr and 200ltr Drums.

NOT Regulated for Road Transport

### HEALTH & SAFETY

Refer to separate material safety data sheet. Copies available on request.

If spraying, care should be taken to minimise inhalation and contact with eyes and ensure adequate ventilation during application.

### QUALITY ASSURANCE

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