



## TECHNICAL DATA SHEET

# KEIM SILEX<sup>®</sup>-OH

## 1. PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

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Clear solidifying agent based on silicic acid ester (OH = without water repellent).

KEIM Silex-OH penetrates deep into the pores of the building material due to its very good creeping ability. After evaporation of the low solvent content, the silicic acid ester reacts chemically with the normal building material and air humidity to form silica gel and alcohol. The reaction time generally takes 3 weeks. After this time, only silica gel is present in the building material, the alcohol has evaporated. The mineral gel precipitation causes good consolidation of the previously friable building material without impairing the water vapour permeability.

## 2. FIELD OF APPLICATION

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KEIM Silex-OH Can be used on all porous mineral substrates.

KEIM Silex-OH is particularly suitable for the reconsolidation of leached sandstone zones.

## 3. PRODUCT PROPERTIES

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- solidifying
- good penetration property
- highly water vapour permable

### MATERIAL CHARACTERISTICS:

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| - Density:                   | approx. 0,9 - 1.0 g/cm <sup>3</sup> |
| - Active ingredient:         | silicic acid ester combination      |
| - Active ingredient content: | 75 %                                |
| - Gel separation:            | approx. 33 %                        |

### COLOUR SHADES:

colourless

## 4. APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

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### SUBSTRATE PREPARATION:

The substrate must be strong, dry, clean, sound and free from adhesion-reducing residues. In addition, the building material surface must be open-pored. Hard natural stone crusts should be removed if possible.

### PREPARATION OF MATERIAL:

### CONSUMPTION:

approx. 0,5 – 5 L/m<sup>2</sup>

These material consumption values are guide values for smooth substrates. Exact consumption values must be determined by means of test areas.

### APPLICATION:

The surfaces to be treated are soaked several times with KEIM Silex-OH with a brush or by flooding (do not spray) at intervals of approx. 10 min. until a noticeable saturation occurs. Dab off any excess KEIM Silex-OH immediately, otherwise crusts or grey haze will form. Crusting or peeling can also occur if too little is applied, i.e. if the morbid zone is not penetrated to the healthy core.

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### FINISHING:

Due to the relatively long reaction time of KEIM Silex-OH, certain waiting times must be observed for subsequent reworkings, because the treated surface only becomes well water-wettable again after the reaction has ended.

Minimum waiting time 10 days for:

- Hydrophobing with KEIM Lotexan-N and KEIM Silangrund
- Glaze coats with KEIM Restauro-Lasur
- Covering coats with KEIM Granital

Minimum waiting time 3 weeks for:

- KEIM Restauro Stone Complements
- Covering and glazing coats with KEIM Purkristalat, KEIM decorative paints and KEIM Künstlerfarben (Artists' Paints)
- Mineral plasters

### CLEANING OF TOOLS:

Clean immediately with water.

## 5. PACKAGING

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Container content	Unit of measure	Quantity on pallet	Type of container
5	L	80	metal canister

## 6. STORAGE

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max. storage time	Storage conditions
12 months	cool frost-free protected from heat and direct sun.

The ingress of moisture must be avoided at all costs, otherwise gel formation will occur.

## 7. DISPOSAL

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For disposal information refer to section 13 of the safety data sheet.

Waste code: 08 04 09\*

## 8. SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

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Please, refer to the Material Safety Data Sheet. EU limit value for this product (Cat. A/h): 750 g/l.

This product contains: 230 - 240 g/l VOC.

## 9. GENERAL INFORMATION

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Cover surfaces not to be treated, especially glass, ceramics and natural stone. Any splashes on surrounding surfaces or traffic areas must be rinsed off immediately with plenty of water.

Mixing with products not part of the system or other foreign additives is not permitted.

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