## TexShel® DATA SHEET

### NATURAL AGGREGATE

# Made From Organic NUT SHELLS & SEED PITS, For NON-SLIP TEXTURING of Surface Coatings

**TexShel**<sup>®</sup> is designed for use in textured and non-slip or non-skid surfaces.

**TexShel**® is a naturally porous, light-weight aggregate, typically made from walnut shells and peach pits.

**TexShel**® is compatible with resin-based, epoxy, polyurethane, polysulfide, acrylic and other synthetic coatings.

**TexShel®** will bind tenaciously, via encapsulation, to all synthetic coatings, such as **KrystalTred**<sup>™</sup>.

#### **TYPICAL USES**

**TexShel**<sup>®</sup> is typically used for "Sand-Finish" coatings, swimming pool & spa decking and step surfaces, industrial floor coatings, marine and boat decks, paddle tennis courts, stair treads, catwalks, and any area where enhanced traction or a non-slip surface is required. **KrystalTred**<sup>™</sup> (a deck coating version of **KrystalKote**<sup>™</sup>) is recommended.

#### **APPLICATION**

TEXSHEL® may be applied in two ways:

- 1.) For KrystalTred™ applied by <u>brush</u> or <u>roller</u>. Mixed directly into the KrystalTred™ "Base" component. This may be done well before final mixing, or just prior to application. The low specific gravity of TexShel® means minimal settling during storage and application. Add approximately 5% by weight (8-ounces/gallon, 2-ounces/quart, 1-ounce/pint);
- 2.) For KrystalTred™ applied with spray equipment:

  Broadcast TexShel® directly onto the first coat of KrystalTred™ while still wet. Sprinkle more heavily in front of doorways, around hatch covers, on continually wet deck areas, around spas, on submerged steps, at the top of ladders & stairwells, and in heavily traveled passageways. Apply liberally on surfaces that exhibit puddling, standing water or poor drainage. Apply the final coat of KrystalTred™ over the aggregate when the first coat is "tack" dry, per normal KrystalTred™ coating application instructions.

#### **PACKAGING**

**TexShel**® is packaged in 5-pound, and 50-pound bags. Custom packaging is available.

#### **GRADED SIZES**

**TexShel**<sup>©</sup> comes in six standardized sizes, from "coarse" to "superfine" (See chart on reverse side):

<b>AD-3C</b> (-12+20 mesh)	AD-7C	(-35+ 60 mesh)
<b>AD-4C</b> (-14+30 mesh)	AD-9C	(-40+100 mesh)
<b>AD-6C</b> (-18+40 mesh)	AD-10.5C	(-60+200 mesh)

Grades 9, 7 and 6 are recommended for normal walking and boat deck surface texturing. Grades 4 and 3 are recommended for "heavy seas" and extreme conditions use only.

#### PHYSICAL PROPERTIES

Although **TexShel**® provides excellent slip resistance, it is not highly abrasive like sand, pumice and aluminum oxide. **TexShel**® coatings can be readily sanded, shaped and refinished.

**TexShel**® exhibits the following characteristics:

Specific Gravity: 1.35
Dry Packing Density: (lbs/ft³) 42 - 47
*Free Moisture: (80°C for 15 hours) 3 - 10%
pH Value: (at 25°C water immersion) 4 - 6
Hardness: (Vickers Number) 25 - 30
(Mohs Scale)

<sup>\*</sup>Per cent free moisture is for product as manufactured, ready for shipment.

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