

# Gaco Western

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## Product Data Sheet:

GacoFlex™ GacoWash  
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### GACOFLEX GACOWASH CONCENTRATED CLEANER

#### DESCRIPTION:

GacoWash is a concentrated cleaning solution for roofing membranes, metal panels and existing waterproofing systems. It is specially formulated to remove tough dirt and pollen.

#### USAGE:

GacoWash is ideal for use as a cleaning solution for aged single ply membranes, concrete and metal roofing, as well as most existing coatings and coated polyurethane foam. **Do not use GacoWash on asphaltic substrates prior to the application of GacoFlex coating systems.**

PRODUCT DATA	
Color	Clear Yellow/Amber
Theoretical Coverage	400 ft <sup>2</sup> (37 m <sup>2</sup> ) per diluted gallon (9.84 m <sup>2</sup> / L) when combined 1-part GacoWash to 9 parts water. Maximum coverage of 1-gallon (3.8 L) GacoWash combined with 9 gallons (34 L) of water is 4,000 ft <sup>2</sup> (372 m <sup>2</sup> ). <b>NOTE: Amount of cleaner required is job-specific; higher concentrations may be needed for adequate cleaning.</b>
V.O.C.	0
Flash Point	None
Storage Stability	Five years in original unopened container.

APPLICATION	
Mixing	For general cleaning: combine 1-part GacoWash Concentrated Cleaner with 9 parts water. <b>CAUTION: Never mix GacoWash with other cleaning chemicals and always avoid contact with chlorine-based cleaners as the combination of these cleaners may produce a toxic gas release.</b>
Surface Preparation	<b>It is extremely important to get the roof clean and dry prior to the application of a GacoFlex coating system.</b> First, remove heavy deposits of dirt, leaves and other debris from the roof using a stiff broom or a power broom. Inspect the entire roof surface, flashings and terminations for any open seams, tears, cuts, loose fasteners, deteriorated sealants, etc. and repair with like materials to prevent water infiltration during the cleaning process.
Application	After the initial cleaning described above, apply GacoWash with a low-pressure sprayer using a 3-4 foot (0.91-1.22 m) arc pattern. A Hudson-type agricultural sprayer, conventional pressure sprayer or airless sprayer is recommended. Allow solution to stand for 10-15 minutes, adding a light mist of water as needed to prevent drying. While it stands, lightly agitate any heavily soiled areas with a broom or brush. Do not allow dirt to settle in low areas. After application of GacoWash solution, use a commercial power washer (Min. 3,000 psi / 20.69 MPa) to remove debris and continue rinsing until all suds are gone. <b>NOTE: Do not pressure wash asphaltic substrates.</b> Start at the lowest point of the roof and work towards the highest point. For low-sloped roofs, work away from and then back toward roof drains. It is important to keep the surface wet until all the GacoWash solution and other residue have been completely rinsed and the roof surface is clean. After cleaning and rinsing the roof, ensure no dirt or debris is present. Allow surfaces to dry thoroughly. Check low-lying areas that tend to pond water to ensure the surface is completely dry. Biological Control: Areas of algae, mildew or fungus on the roofing membrane or an existing coating should be treated with a solution of 1-part household bleach and 3 parts water, followed by a power wash rinse using clear water. Allow the roof to dry completely.
Dry Time	Drying time depends on weather conditions such as temperature, humidity and air movement.

For specific Safety and Health information, please refer to the Safety Data Sheet.

