How to remove short fibers from cold joints

Overview

Among many available methodologies, we explored four alternatives to treat and repair cold joints in concrete: Saw-cutting and concrete re-pour.

Key Takeaways

Short fibers and loose debris at cold joints can be effectively removed through mechanical cleaning and surface preparation before repair or overlay.

Mechanical Cleaning

To remove short fibers from a cold joint, start by mechanically scarifying or roughening the surface. Tools such as wire brushes, grinders, sandblasters, or scarifiers can help dislodge loose fibers and create a textured surface that improves bonding with new concrete or repair materials. Ensure that all dust, dirt, and debris are thoroughly removed after mechanical cleaning.

Surface Washing

After mechanical cleaning, wash the joint with water to remove remaining fine particles. For stubborn fibers, a pressure washer can be used to flush out debris from pores and crevices. Allow the surface to dry slightly if using bonding agents that require a damp but not wet substrate.

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Use of Bonding Agents

Applying a bonding agent after cleaning can help secure any remaining fibers and improve adhesion between the old and new concrete layers. Options include epoxy-based, acrylic-based, or latex-based bonding agents, applied as a brush, roller, or spray. This step ensures that the repaired joint is structurally sound and prevents loose fibers from interfering with the bond.

Optional Surface Profiling

For larger or structural cold joints, consider saw-cutting along the joint to remove deteriorated material and expose a clean, solid surface. This also allows for a fresh concrete overlay or epoxy injection to fully integrate the new pour with the existing concrete.

Best Practices

Work systematically along the joint to ensure all fibers are removed. Avoid leaving dust or debris, as it can compromise bonding. Use protective equipment when grinding or sandblasting to prevent inhalation of concrete dust.

Cure repaired areas properly to maintain long-term durability. By combining mechanical cleaning, washing, and bonding agents, short fibers at cold joints can be effectively removed, ensuring a smooth, durable, and structurally sound repair.

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