

P&T Products

Manufacturer of Hot Pour Crack & Joint Sealants

Avoid These Two Things on Your Next Job

The temperatures are trying to warm up here in Ohio. Earlier this week, I took an evening stroll at one of my favorite walking paths with my trusty companion, Mildred. The path recently underwent preventative crack sealing. As I walked along I noticed that, in addition to cracks, sealant had been applied to the pavement surface. On these areas, the material was already pulling up.



Avoid a Sticky Situation

P&T Products is not a proponent of applying crack sealant directly to pavement surfaces. The reason for this is that there is no benefit to applying sealant where cracks do not exist. Excessive overbands are not necessary either. In addition to being wasteful and unattractive, these two practices often lead to adhesion failure, tracking, and traction issues that could lead to slip-and-fall injuries. On roadways and parking lots, for example, it could endanger motorcyclists in the rain causing a more serious traffic incident.

Take the Smooth Approach

Applying sealant in a crack or joint reservoir is the most effective method in preventing water from penetrating to the sub-base because the material expands and contracts with the pavement. Sticking to best practices saves you money, prevents call-backs, reduces liabilities, and helps you earn repeat business.