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Polymer Modified Tile Adhesive

DESCRIPTION

Polymer modified general purpose adhesive having excellent application properties with good bond strength used for fixing terracotta and ceramic tiles on both interior floor and wall in dry areas on cementitious substrate. also suitable for installing porous natural stones on interior floors only. Note: Not recommended for direct use onto gypsum plaster (wall finishes), paint or metal.

STANDARDS

Confirms to IS 15477: 2019 Type IT "Adhesives for use with Ceramic, Mosaic and Stone Tiles".

Confirms to EN 12004:2017 and is a normal set cementitious adhesive (C1) with slip resistance (T) of class C1T

FEATURES

- Easy to use- Creamy application
- Interior application
- Can be used higher bed thickness
- Bonds to various substrates
- Self curing

SUITABLE BACKGROUND / BASES

- Concrete walls & floor
- Cement sand screed
- Cement sand render

PHYSICAL PROPERTIES @ 27 ± 2°C

Property	Value
Bed Thickness up to	12 mm
Pot Life	2 hours
Setting Time	24 hours
VOC Content	1.12 g/L

Properties as per IS 15477: 2019 @ 27 ± 2°C

Property with Test Method	Min. Requirement	Result
Tensile Adhesion Strength	≥0.50 N/mm ²	Meets the standard requirements
Shear Adhesion Strength	≥1.00 N/mm ²	Meets the standard requirements
Open Time	As per Mftr. Declaration	15 mins

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Adjustment Time	As per Mftr. Declaration	10 mins
Slip	≤ 0.50 mm	0.35 mm

Properties as per EN 12004: 2017 @ 23 ± 2°C

Property with Test Method	Min. Requirement	Typical Result
Tensile Adhesion Strength Initial	≥ 0.50 N/mm ²	Meets the standard requirements
After water immersion	≥ 0.50 N/mm ²	Meets the standard requirements
After heat aging	≥ 0.50 N/mm ²	Meets the standard requirements
After freeze-thaw cycles	≥ 0.50 N/mm ²	Meets the standard requirements
Open time @ 20 mins	≥ 0.50 N/mm ²	Meets the standard requirements
Slip (T)	≤ 0.50 mm	0.35 mm

COVERAGE ESTIMATES

Note: Coverage will depend on the nature and flatness of the surface and the method of application. For good coverage, it is vital that all surfaces are smooth, plumb, level and free from defects and undulations.

Square notch Trowel size	Coverage for 25 kg bag
6 mm x 6 mm	70 – 75 Sqft

Pack size

25 kg

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

Substrate Preparation

Before starting any work ensure that the base is:

Sufficiently flat to permit the specified flatness of finished tiling. Surfaces to be tiled must be dry, clean and free from loose material and contamination.

Surface considerations

New Concrete Bases:

Before commencing tiling, ensure that bases have been allowed to air dry for at least 4 weeks

New Cement Sand rendering:

Before commencing tiling, allow plastered surface to air dry for at least 2 weeks.

Existing Concrete/Screeed Bases:

Cut out all loose or hollow portions and make good with a 1:3 cement:sand mortar applied over a slurry bonding coat* and let it cure and dry for 7 days.

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Mixing

Add Masofix Adhesive to clean water. Mix thoroughly until a lump-free mortar is obtained. The adhesive is immediately ready-for-use and has a pot life of 3 hours. No further water should be added. Volume mixing can be carried out at site in the ratio of 1:3 (water: powder)

Water Content

25 kg Bag: 5.25 to 6 ltrs

APPLICATION

1. Spread not more than the area which can be tiled within the open time of the adhesive.
2. The mixed adhesive is applied to the prepared surface with a trowel and then combed through with a suitably sized notched trowel.
3. The tiles should be fixed within the open time of the adhesive and pressed into place with a twisting and sliding action ensuring solid bed fixing is achieved. The open time is dependent on site conditions and will be extended in lower temperatures and shortened at higher temperatures.
4. Check periodically that good contact is maintained with the back of each tile.
5. Touch the adhesive ribs periodically and if a skin has formed, remove the adhesive and apply a new layer.
6. Leave adequate joints between individual wall and floor tiles unless self-spacing tiles are used.
7. Clean off surplus adhesive from the tile face and between joints.

Note:

- Do not use in damp conditions and temperature less than 5°C
- Seal the sides & bottom of porous stones with UNDERTILE & STONE PRIMER to avoid migration of moisture.
- Use suitable clamps along with adhesive at the time of installation of tiles/stones above 3m height as recommended by IS 15477: 2019
- For large span tiling works, leave movement joints at every 3m interval and fill with a flexible sealant as per BS 5385.
- Prevent foot traffic till the adhesive has completely set.

SPACERS

Use ARDEX ENDURA spacers (minimum 2mm) for uniform joint width.

GROUTING

Grouting should be carried out after 24 hours. Use the appropriate grouting material from the range of cementitious and epoxy grouts. EPOXY GROUT is strongly recommended for locations with requirement of hygiene & chemical resistance.



Building Adhesives and Grouts

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SEALERS

ARDEX ENDURA offers a range of Tile & Stone surface sealers depending on the desired finish:

Wet look finish: Use 'Heavy Duty Impregnating Tile & Stone Sealer'

Glossy finish: Use 'Impregnating Tile & Stone Sealer'

Natural look: Use 'FC SS' or 'FC Sealer'

CLEANING

Tools and containers may be cleaned using clean water when the adhesive is still fresh. The hardened adhesive can be removed from tools mechanically.

STORAGE AND SHELF LIFE

Masofix has a shelf life of 12 months when stored in normal dry conditions.

PRECAUTIONS

Keep out of reach of children. Wear suitable protective clothing, gloves and eyes/face protection. After contact with skin, wash immediately with plenty of clean water. In case of contact with eyes rinse immediately with plenty of clean water and seek medical advice.

For more details please refer the relevant Material Safety Data Sheet.

CONDITIONS OF SALE

Sold subject to the Company's conditions of sale which are available on request.

NOTE

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