

TILEGRIP FLEX

Single Compound, Elastic, Flexible, Tile Adhesive

Description:

TILEGRIP FLEX is a cement based high polymer modified waterproof, flexible powder adhesive. It consists of bonding agents, selected fillers and aggregates, polymers and special chemicals. When mixed with water, the product becomes thixotropic, high workable mortar. Once dried, it has high adhesive strength and excellent flexibility to accommodate movement.

TILEGRIP FLEX is suitable for fixing large sizes of marble, tiles and porcelain vertically and horizontally and for tiles on tiles application.

TILEGRIP FLEX adheres perfectly internally and externally to a variety of supports like: concrete, cement boards and cement block, bituminous waterproofing with aggregates, polystyrene isolation boards, and gypsum and cement boards.

Applications:

- Tile over tile application for maintenance and renovation works.
- Restaurants and shops with high foot traffic and extensive cleaning.
- Walls and floors of showers, bathrooms and kitchens.
- Swimming pools and water features.
- External application of ceramics marble and stones.
- Wet areas like kitchens and bathrooms.
- Can be used as adhesive for insulation material such as expanded polystyrene, cellular polyurethane.
- Ideal for fixing non-porous tiles on top of non-porous surface.
- It can be applied on supports under deformation.

Advantages:

- It can be used for all kinds of residential and commercial buildings.
- High bond to substrates.
- Easily applied to fix tiles on floor.

- Combatable with all types of cement substrates.
- High workability and engineered pot life.
- Waterproofing features with high elasticity.
- Non-sag properties, suitable for natural stone application on facades.
- Excellent resistance to water and weather changes.
- Suitable for hot weather.

Instructions for Use:

Surface Preparation:

All surfaces should be sound, clean, dry and free from loose material, efflorescence, laitance, curing compounds, dirt, oil and grease. Ensure that concrete and blocks substrates are fully cured to avoid possible shrinkage movements.

Wet the surface before application to reach a saturated surface dry condition in order to gain best features of the product.

Mixing:

Add the contents of TILEGRIP FLEX bag into a container of 5 to 5.25 liters of clean water. Mix with a suitable paddle fitted to a slow speed drill (200–300 rpm) until a uniform, lump free consistency mix is achieved. Allow the mix to rest for about 5 minutes and then remix before application.

Application:

With a notched trowel, spread the mixed TILEGRIP FLEX an average of 4 mm thick layer to the substrate evenly and in sufficient quantity. Sweep a second pass with the notched part of the trowel to even the distribution of the material. With pressure and twist movement fix the tile into the wet adhesive. Apply sufficient pressure on tile to ensure full contact between the back of the tile and the adhesive. After application and fixing of tiles, remove excess adhesive with a wet cloth before adhesive dries.

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In case of application on large tiles, apply extra mix to the backside of the tile and then place the tile to the adhesive bed on the substrate.

When applying the tile over tile, makes sure the surface of the old tile is clean, free from oil and contaminants. Check that old tiles are properly adhered to the substrate. If any loose tiles exist, remove and glue it back in or fill the area with proper concrete repair material before the application of TILEGRIP FLEX.

Porosity of tiles and substrates have significant effect on adhesive strength of tiles. Porous tiles absorb the gauging water of the adhesive preventing full reaction of mix to harden properly. Consult with **MATEX** technical department and tile manufacturer

Remove excess of the adhesive mortar with damp cloth before it dries. Joints color grouting can be performed after 12 hours of tiling of walls and 24 hours of tiling of floors.

Prepare enough material that can be tiled during the open time of the mix. Spreading large areas may result to drying the adhesive before tiles can be fix, which will cause poor adhesion.

During summer season, cover the working area to prevent direct sun effect and keep tools in shade Do not apply TILEGRIP FLEX on metal, wood or non-absorbing surfaces

Standards:

TILEGRIP FLEX conforms to:

- EN 12004 – SI, EN 12004 – C2TE
- ISO 13007- C2TE and C2TESI
- ANSI 118.4 – 1992

Packaging:

Available in 25 kg recyclable paper bags.

Cleaning:

Clean tools with water prior to product hardening.

Coverage:

TILEGRIP FLEX achieves coverage of 4.0 square meters per bag @ 4 mm thickness of application.

TECHNICAL PROPERTIES

Color:	: Grey, White
Density (Dry)	: 1.50 Kg. / Lt.
Open time at 25°C	: 30 minutes
Working time @ 25°C	: 45 minutes
Grouting time	: Walls: 12 hrs. Floors: 24 hrs.
Flexural Strength	: 2.0 N/mm ²
Adhesion strength (EN 1348)	: @ 28 days 1.80 N/mm ² after heat 1.70 N/mm ² after water immersion 1.20 N/mm ² after Freeze-thaw cycle 1.20 N/mm ²
Water Resistance	: Excellent

Storage:

Store in original packing in dry conditions away from direct sunlight and high humidity levels.

Shelf Life:

TILEGRIP FLEX can be utilized within 12 months of production date if stored in proper conditions in unopened original packing.

Health and Safety:

- Use goggles and gloves during application. Do not breathe vapor of products. Use only in well ventilated areas.
- Avoid contact with eyes or skin.

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