

# EZEE TILE CLADDING ADHESIVE

#### TECHNICAL DATA SHEET

#### PURPOSE

EZEE TILE CLADDING ADHESIVE<sup>®</sup> is a polymer modified light coloured cement based tile adhesive designed for installing extra-large format (>600 mm x 600 mm), heavy natural stone, porcelain and cement based tiles, to all pre-primed surfaces. EZEE TILE CLADDING ADHESIVE<sup>®</sup> is suitable for permanently wet areas as well as interior and exterior applications. This product has exceptional anti-slip properties, an extended open time and excellent workability.



# MIXING INSTRUCTIONS

20 kg





- 1. Add 5 litres of water to suitable container.
- 2. Slowly add 20 kg of tile adhesive.
- 3. Mixing with an electric drill and paddle will ensure thorough mixing.

Add 20 kg adhesive

- 4. Mix to a creamy consistency.
- 5. Use within 3 hours.

## SURFACE PREPARATION

(These recommendations are in accordance with the SABS standard SANS 10107:2011 - The design and installation of ceramic tiles.)

1. Ensure that surfaces to be tiled are sound (no cracks or crumbling), clean, free of dust, release agent, fungi, or any surface dampness. Fungi must be removed and the spores killed with the use of an effective fungicide. (A dilution of household bleach is sufficient)

2. New walls and floors must be allowed to cure for minimum periods as listed below to ensure that movement due to shrinkage does not affect the installation

a. Direct bedding onto new brick walls and concrete surface:

6 weeks

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b. New plaster walls:

c. New screeded floors:

2 weeks

4 weeks

3. Very smooth surfaces such as steel trowelled and off-shutter concrete must be acid washed to remove laitance and then rinsed thoroughly with cold water. The surface must then be primed with a mixture consisting of two parts EZEE TILE BASECOAT <sup>®</sup> mixed with one part EZEE TILE KEYCOAT <sup>®</sup> and allowed to dry prior to tiling.

4. Painted surfaces, gypsum plasters and surfaces that have old bitumen adhesive on them must be chipped in order to expose at least 80% of the substrate. The surface must then be primed with a mixture consisting of two parts EZEE TILE BASECOAT <sup>®</sup> mixed with one part EZEE TILE KEYCOAT <sup>®</sup> and allowed to dry prior to tiling.

5. Highly porous substrates can negatively affect the bond strength of the tile adhesive. Check the porosity of the substrate by applying a small quantity of water. If the moisture is completely absorbed within one minute, then the surface is too porous and will need to be sealed with a mixture of two parts EZEE TILE BASECOAT <sup>®</sup> mixed with one part EZEE TILE KEYCOAT <sup>®</sup> and allowed to dry prior to tiling.

# APPLICATION

Only apply sufficient adhesive to an area as can be tiled within 10 minutes. Use a suitable notched trowel to maintain a minimum bed height of 6-7 mm for floor tiling and 3-4 mm for wall tiling. The recommended trowels are as follows:

Application	Trowel Size (height x width x gap)
Wall tiles	6mm x 8mm x 5mm
Floor tiles smaller than 400mm x 400 mm	10mm x 10mm x 6mm
Floor tiles larger than 400mm x 400	17mm x 22mm x 6mm

As a guide, a 20 kg bag adhesive will cover approximately 3.8 meters using a 10 mm notched trowel on a relatively even surface.

## **GENERAL APPLICATION INFORMATION**

1. Ensure that the back of the tiles are free of dust and contamination.

2. DO NOT BUTT JOINT TILES.

3. Minimum grouting joint width for wall tilling is 2mm and for floors 3 mm unless otherwise specified by the tile manufacturer.

4. Bed tiles into wet adhesive with a twisting action in order to ensure adequate contact with the back of the tile. The use of a rubber mallet is recommended when bedding heavy thick tiles.

5. Excessively hot or cold ambient temperatures during installation will affect setting times and may affect bond strength.

6. Remove all adhesive from the grouting joints as the application progresses.

7. Tiles with very uneven backs will require buttering with adhesive prior to bedding into the wet adhesive bed.

8. For heavy duty strength, replace mixing water with EZEE TILE BONDING LIQUID <sup>®</sup> in the ratio of 20 kg EZEE TILE CLADDING ADHESIVE <sup>®</sup> to 5 litres of EZEE TILE BONDING LIQUID <sup>®</sup>

9. It is very important to allow for differential movement in all tiling applications so the inclusion of tile panel movement joints, structural movement joints and perimeter joints is essential.

#### GROUTING

- 1. Allow at least 24 hours before grouting can commence.
- 2. Ensure that all adhesive is removed from the joints
- 3. Grout with EZEE TILE WATERPROOF GROUT <sup>®</sup> in various colours.

#### **TECHNICAL DATA**

Non-hazardous Initial setting time Final Setting Time Correction Time Open time Pot life Temperature Storage Shelf life Coverage per 20kg

Packaging

± 6 hours at 25°C and 50% humidity
±24 hours at 25°C and 50% humidity
±30 minutes at 25°C and 50% humidity
±30 minutes at 25°C and 50% humidity
±3 hours at 25°C and 50% humidity
Resistant up to 100°C
Store dry
9 months in dry moderate conditions
±2,2m<sup>2</sup> using a 22mm notched trowel
±3,8m<sup>2</sup> using a 10mm notched trowel
±6m<sup>2</sup> using a 6mm notched trowel
20 kg

Non-flammable, freeze and thaw resistant

#### PRECAUTIONS

1. Ensure that the above instructions are adhered to at all times and do not adulterate the product in any way as this could result in failure.

2. Rubber gloves should be used when applying EZEE TILE CLADDING ADHESIVE <sup>®</sup>. In the event of irritation, rinse skin under cold water. Consult a doctor if irritation persists.

3. Keep EZEE TILE CLADDING ADHESIVE <sup>®</sup> away from pets and children.

4. Do not ingest and do not empty surplus adhesive down drains.

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