

Universal Tile Grout

Multipurpose cementitious tile grout



Description

Universal Tile Grout is a multipurpose cementitious tile grout for interior and exterior applications with all types of ceramic tiles such as single glazed, double glazed and porcelain in dry or wet conditions for joint widths up to 5 mm.

The high abrasion resistance properties of Universal Tile Grout make it suitable for grouting floor and wall joints in residential and commercial buildings. Universal Tile Grout is available in wide range of brilliant colours that provide a uniform and aesthetic joint appearance.

Applications

- ▲ Grouting all types of ceramic tiles and natural stones up to 5 mm.
- ▲ Suitable for indoor and outdoor areas.
- ▲ Suitable for floor and wall applications
- ▲ Suitable for bathrooms, kitchens and other wet areas.

Advantages

- ▲ High abrasion resistance.
- ▲ Water and weather resistant.
- ▲ Antibacterial and mould resistant.
- ▲ Low shrinkage rate, free of cracks.
- ▲ Uniform colour, for aesthetic joint appearance.
- ▲ Easy to apply and clean.
- ▲ Available in wide range of brilliant colours.

Limitations

Do not use for:

- ▲ Joint widths exceeding 5 mm.
- ▲ Grouting tiles in industrial floors where high chemical resistance is required.
- ▲ Cases where a rapid utilization of surfaces is required.
- ▲ Filling expansion, contraction or construction joints in walls and floors. These joints should be filled with a suitable flexible sealant from the DCP Flexseal range.

Standards

Universal Tile Grout complies with the following standards:

- ▲ ISO 13007-3 and BS EN 13888 as an improved cementitious tile grout of CG2AW grade.

Technical Properties @ W/P = 0.28:

Fresh wet density:	1.75 ± 0.10 g/cm ³
Pot life:	3.5 - 4.5 hr
Compressive strength: ASTM C109/109M	> 15 MPa @ 28 days
Flexural strength: ASTM C348	> 3 MPa @ 28 days
Width of joints:	Up to 5 mm
Minimum application temperature:	5°C
VOC: ASTM D2369	< 10 g/ltr (complies with LEED)

Method of Use

Substrate Preparation

Before grouting, ensure that the adhesive has completely dried and hardened. Adhesive should be left for 24 hours before applying the grout, unless rapid setting adhesive is used.

All tiles and joints must be clean and free from oil, grease or loose materials. Remove the tile spacers and ensure that the grout joints are uniform and their width does not exceed 5 mm to avoid slumping.

Mixing

To ensure proper mixing, a mechanically powered mixer or drill fitted with suitable paddle should be used.

2.8 - 3.2 litres of clean fresh water for each 10 kg bag (water/powder ratio of 0.28 - 0.32 by weight) should be added to a clean container. The powder is then added slowly to the water while mixing continuously at low speed (300 - 500 rpm).

Mixing time should be continued for 3 minutes until a uniform consistency and free of lumps mixture is obtained. Allow a slake time for 5 minutes, then remix for additional 1 minute without adding any more water.

Important: Adding too much water will weaken the joints, cause surface discoloration, and promote the formation of cracks, always follow the mentioned mixing ratio.

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- ▲ Using appropriate spatula or rubber float, fill with pressure the joints completely with Universal Tile Grout.
- ▲ Immediately, remove the excess grout by moving the spatula or the edge of the rubber float diagonally to the tiles.
- ▲ When the grout starts to set (usually 20 - 30 minutes at normal conditions), use a dampened sponge in a circular motion to remove the excess grout and level the joints.
- ▲ After drying, clean the tiles surface using a dry cloth.

Note: It is recommended to remove grout from the tile surfaces before full setting of the grout. Failure to do so may result in difficulty in removing any remains and makes it necessary to use a mechanical means in cleaning, which may scratch the tile surfaces.

Cleaning

All tools should be cleaned immediately after use with fresh clean water. Hardened materials should be cleaned mechanically.

Packaging

Universal Tile Grout is available in 10 kg bags.

Yield

The approximate yield of the grout can be calculated as per the following equation:

$$\text{Yield (m}^2\text{/kg)} = \frac{6}{WD (0.02 + \frac{1}{L} + \frac{1}{H})}$$

Where:

- L: Tile length (cm)
- H: Tile width (cm)
- D: Average joint depth (mm)
- W: Average joint width (mm)

Note: Grout yield subject to ±15% tolerance.

Storage

Universal Tile Grout has a shelf life of 12 months from date of manufacture if stored at temperatures between 2°C and 50°C.

If these conditions are exceeded, DCP Technical Department should be contacted for advise.

Cautions

Health and Safety

As Universal Tile Grout contains Portland cement, Universal Tile Grout may cause irritation to skin or eyes. In case of accidental contact with eyes, immediately flush with plenty of water for at least 10 minutes and seek medical advice if necessary.

For further information refer to the Material Safety Data Sheet.

Fire

Universal Tile Grout is nonflammable.

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