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Description:

ARDEX FG3 is a cement-based tile grout for use with all types of tiles with joint widths between 5mm and 10mm wide. It is suitable for grout joints in internal and external situations.

Features/ Benefits:

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Optimized water	Fill wide joints up to 10mm
demand	without shrinking
Modern colour	Coordinates with most tiles,
range	bathroom fixtures.
Cement-based	Use in internal and external
	applications



MIXING

Mix with clean, drinkable water until a firm, low slump paste is obtained. For best results use a minimum amount of water (5.5~5.75L per 25kg of powder).

Application

Prior to grouting, check ease of cleaning of tiles that have a textured or matt surface.

- Work grout diagonally into the joints using a rubber squeegee. Only grout small areas at a time.
- Compact the grout firmly into the joints. Allow grout to firm up in the joint i.e. the grout joint is no longer wet/glossy.
- Remove excess grout from the surface of the tiles with a damp, small-pored sponge working diagonally across the joint. Rinse sponge frequently in clean water. Use a minimum amount of water during clean up to shade variation and shrinkage.
- Once the ARDEX FG3 grout has sufficiently hardened in the joints, polish the tile surface with a clean dry cloth. In exterior conditions provide protection from extremes of climate during the application process and for as long as possible afterwards.

Tip: Using a minimum amount of water in the mixing and clean up will reduce primary efflorescence. Using Grout Booster will also reduce the likelihood of efflorescence and is recommended in coastal areas

Drying time

Approximately 24 hours, at 25°C and 50% relative humidity; dried by moisture evaporation.

Clean

Clean up tools with water before the compound dries.

Packaging/ Shelf life:

25kg/bag

6 months when stored in the original unopened packaging, in a dry place at 25°C and 50% relative humidity.

Coverage

Coverage will vary according to the size of tile and thickness of joint width, as well as the method of application. Consumption can be calculated as follow:

(length(mm)+breadth(mm)) x width(mm) x depth(mm) x 1.8 (length(mm) x breadth(mm))

= the result is in kg/m²

Product limitations

- Porous face tiles e.g. terracotta, should be sealed prior to grouting to prevent staining.
- ARDEX FG3 is not suitable for expansion or movement joints or chemical resistant joints.
- In swimming pools mix with diluted ABA 650.
 V. Use white grout as colours may bleach over time. Allow 14 days before filling the pool.
- ARDEX FG3 is not guaranteed against shade variations and efflorescence caused by factors beyond its control, including nature of cement, job site conditions, finishing techniques and uneven drying conditions.

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Technical Data:

Product Properties: (@25±2°C and 60±10% RH)

Appearance: powder Colour: various

Bulk Density: Approx. 1.45 kg/litre Fresh Mortar: Approx. 1.85 kg/litre

Applications:

Working Time: >1.5 hours Drying Time: 24hours

Technical Data:

Testing Methods Condition Condition Specific requirement Compressive Strength ANSI 118.6 28 days air curing > 21.5 Mpa Flexural Strength 28 days air curing > 3.5 Mpa ANSI 118.6 Water Absorption ANSI 118.6 28 days air curing < 7% Tensile Strength ASTM C190 28 days air curing > 2.2 Mpa ASTCM C531 < 0.2% Shrinkage Test 28 days air curing EN13888/ISO13007 **EN Classification** CG1 CG1