

# **ARDEX D5**

### **Ready Mixed Wall Tile Adhesive**

Extended open time allows a larger area of adhesive to be spread before skinning occurs

Smooth consistency that is easy to work and trowel

White - Suitable for use with translucent tiles

Accommodates limited building movement



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#### **DESCRIPTION**

ARDEX D5 is a white, ready mixed, thin bed, interior wall tile adhesive. Being a smooth, viscous paste, ARDEX D5 is easy to trowel. It can be used to fix a range of tiles including ceramic tiles, non moisture sensitive natural stones, mosaics and translucent tiles in kitchens, bathrooms and laundries.

ARDEX D5 meets ISO 13007 requirements for a D1 TE adhesive – normal dispersion adhesive with extended open time, and is suitable for use in residential or commercial situations.

#### FOR FIXING (TILE TYPES)

All ceramic wall tiles including monocottura, natural stones (excluding moisture sensitive) and glass mosaics.

#### TO (SUBSTRATES)

Concrete, cement renders, fibre-cement sheet, plasterboard. ARDEX/Undertile liquid applied waterproofing membranes (not suitable when using dense tiles over such non absorbent substrates nor for shower hobs due to prolonged drying times)

#### SUBSTRATE PREPARATION

The surface being adhered to must be clean, firm and free of dust, dirt, oil, grease, curing compounds, release agents and other barrier materials, as well as being strong enough to support the weight of the tiles being fixed. Ensure surfaces are dry before tiling, with no residue or permanent damp.

Ensure that the substrate's required drying time, as given in the relevant part of AS 3958, is allowed to elapse prior to fixing the tiles. Prime porous substrates with ARDEX Multiprime.

#### Concrete (Walls)

This includes precast, in-situ and wood floated concrete. Any surface laitance, concrete sealers, curing compounds, and other materials should be removed from the surface prior to tiling. The surface should be true, level and have adequate surface profile to provide a mechanical key. Smooth surfaces and/or dense concrete greater than 35MPa must be mechanically roughened prior to tiling.

#### **Cement Render**

New renders should be finished with a wood float to the required surface regularity and be allowed to cure for at least 7 days.

#### **Plasterboard on Walls**

Provided that these boards are firmly and rigidly fixed to adequately support the tile bed, tiles can be fixed directly with no need to prime the cardboard papered surface. Where sheets are jointed, ARDEX Multiprime must be used over the base jointing compound. Do not use the topping compound in areas which are to be tiled.

#### **Fibre-Cement Sheet on Walls**

Remove surface dust with a damp sponge and prime with ARDEX Multiprime prior to tiling.

#### **Painted Surfaces**

Thoroughly remove painted surfaces mechanically, do not use paint stripper or solvents. Allow surface to dry after cleaning.

#### MIXING

Premixed, no mixing required.

#### **FIXING TECHNIQUE**

Before fixing ensure the substrate has been prepared and the tiles are free from dust. Tiles should be fixed in accordance with AS 3958.

Substrate surface, type and size of the tiles will determine the selection of the trowel. As a general guide use a 6 x 6 x 6mm notched trowel for walls. ARDEX D5 can be applied at a bed thickness greater than 1.5mm or less than 3mm. The tiles must be pressed firmly into the freshly combed mortar bed to ensure good contact with the adhesive. Slide the tile at right angles to the notch pattern to ensure 100% coverage on the back of the tile. Lift a tile from time to time to check that there are no voids beneath the tile. Do not spot fix. Any surplus adhesive must be removed from the surface of the tile and joints, before the adhesive sets. ARDEX D5 has an open time of 40 minutes and an adjustment time of 40 minutes. Please be aware of site conditions when considering these times and only spread enough adhesive so that the tiles can be fixed while the mortar is still wet. All tools should be cleaned with water immediately after use.

#### **MOVEMENT JOINTS**

Movement joints must be in accordance with AS 3958. As a general guide for walls, incorporate movement joints at internal corners, fixtures interrupting the tile surface and at 3-4.5 metre intervals.

#### **GROUTING**

Grouting can proceed once the tile bed has hardened sufficiently so that tiles will not be dislodged. Typically the tile bed is hard enough after approximately 24 hours at 23°C and 50% relative humidity. Allow longer for dense tiles/substrates, humid climates and low temperatures. The tile joints should be grouted with the appropriate ARDEX grout.

#### **COVERAGE**

20kg of ARDEX D5 is sufficient for approximately 11m² on walls. The coverage will vary depending on substrate condition, tile type and application technique.

#### **PACKAGING**

ARDEX D5 is packed in plastic pails – net weight 20kg.

#### SHELF LIFE

ARDEX D5 has a shelf life of 12 months when stored in the original unopened packaging, in a dry place at 23°C and 50% relative humidity. Do not store below  $5^{\circ}$ C.

#### Pay attention to the following:

When large format or dense tiles are being used do not use ARDEX D5 over non-absorbent substrates such as waterproofing membranes or shower hobs due to prolonged drying times. ARDEX D5 is not suitable for continuous immersion applications, such as swimming pools and water tanks. ARDEX provides other systems.

For setting of moisture sensitive natural stones, please refer to products in the ARDEX Natural Stone System.

#### **SAFETY DATA**

Avoid contact with skin and eyes; in case of contact with the eyes, wash out immediately with fresh running water. If irritation continues, seek medical attention. Wear protective gloves,

clothing and eye protection. Avoid inhaling dust/fume/gas/mist/vapours/spray. Ensure adequate ventilation during mixing and application. Check with your local Council regarding the disposal of contents, dispose of packaging thoughtfully and recycle where possible. Keep out of the reach of children. Call the Poisons Information Centre on 131 126 (AUS) and 0800 764 766 (NZ) or call a doctor if you feel unwell. Additional information is in the Safety Data Sheet (SDS) at www.ardexaustralia.com

#### **TECHNICAL DATA**

Colour: White paste pH: Approx 8.5 – 9.5

Application Properties at 23°C and 50% RH Open Time: 40 minutes Adjustment Time: 40 minutes Grouting Time: 24 hours

Mechanical Properties (ISO 13007)
Shear adhesion strength: 1.0 - 2.0 MPa
Classification: D1 TE

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