



## GIC Wall Tile Adhesive

### Readymade Acrylic Tile Adhesive for Ceramic Wall Tiles

#### Uses

- Used for the permanent fixing of ceramic wall tiles and expanded polystyrene tiles to most internal surfaces.
- Suitable substrates include brick, gypsum plaster; sand cement renders and plasters old tiles, glazed bricks, etc.

#### Typical Applications & Advantages

- Excellent grab & adhesion.
- No soaking of tiles required.
- Tile from any position on wall.
- Slip resistant, no battens required.
- Long open time, single component, no mixing.

#### Product Description

**GIC Wall Tile Adhesive** is an off-white ready mixed tile adhesive used for the permanent fixing of ceramic wall tiles and expanded polystyrene tiles to most internal surfaces. **GIC Wall Tile Adhesive** should not be used in areas subject to standing water such as swimming pools and industrial showers. **GIC Wall Tile Adhesive** is not suitable for floors in external applications.

#### Typical Properties

<b>Appearance</b>	: Off-white paste.
<b>Density</b>	: 1700 Kg/m <sup>3</sup>
<b>Coverage</b>	: Approx. 1 m <sup>2</sup> / litre.

#### Technical Support

GIC provides a comprehensive technical support service to specifiers, end users and contractors and is able to offer on-site technical assistance.

#### Instructions for Use

**Surface Preparation:** Surfaces to be tiled should be flat, clean, dry and free of salts, oils, grease etc. In maintenance applications, old emulsion paint, plaster etc must be removed. For new works allow plaster and render to dry out and attain strength to support tiles; approx. 14 days. Board surfaces must be dry, rigid and flat, and should be braced vertically and horizontally at 300mm centres. Fixing should be with screws instead of nails to prevent springing. Seal

exposed edges of boards to prevent damp penetration.

**Application:** Apply **GIC Wall Tile Adhesive** to the substrate at a 3mm depth, working in maximum 1m<sup>2</sup> areas at a time. Use a notched trowel to form ribs in the adhesive and press the tiles into position using a twisting action. Start tiling from the bottom allowing a 1-2 mm gap between tiles. Wipe off excess adhesive with a damp cloth. Ensure that at least 75% of the adhesive has made contact with the back of the tile by checking the first tile. Do not use the spot method of application, as the percentage coverage will not be reached. Work in small areas to ensure skinning of the adhesive does occur. Skinning will prevent bonding.

When using heavily studded tiles, comb the adhesive onto the substrate. Then butter the whole of the back of the tile with adhesive and press firmly into position. If required support the tiles until grip is attained.

**Grouting:** Rake out joints before the adhesive has set and grout with the appropriate GIC Tile Grout. Positioning of tiles can only take place whilst the adhesive is wet.

#### Watch Points

- All movement joints must be carried through the tiles.
- Not recommended for tiles/surface which does not have absorption and porosity (fully vitrified tiles).
- Not suitable for floors

#### Packaging & Storage

**GIC Wall Tile Adhesive** is supplied in 5 kg units and it has a minimum shelf life of 12 months provided it is stored under cover, out of direct sunlight.

#### Health & Safety Precautions

**GIC Wall Tile Adhesive** does not fall into the hazard classifications of current regulations. However, it should not be swallowed or allowed to come into contact with skin and eyes. Suitable protective gloves and goggles should be worn.





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Splashes on the skin should be removed with water. In case of contact with eyes rinse immediately with plenty of water and seek medical advice. If swallowed seek medical attention immediately – do not induce vomiting.

For further information refer to the Material Safety Data Sheet available for this product.

### **Important note**

GIC endeavors to ensure that the technical information contained herein is true, accurate and represents our best knowledge and experience. No warranty is given or implied, as GIC has no control over the conditions of use and the competence of any labor involved in the application are beyond our control.

**As all GIC technical data sheets are updated on a regular basis it is the customer's responsibility to check that the product is suitable for the intended application, and that the actual conditions of use are in accordance with those recommended.**

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