

Floor Mud

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1. PRODUCT NAME

Floor Mud

2. MANUFACTURER

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3. PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

PROFLEX® Floor Mud is a portland cement-based mortar designed for thick setting beds under ceramic or quarry tiles. When mixed to a dry consistency, Floor Mud allows maximum compaction during tamping.

Advantages

- Can be used up to 9" with lath
- Ideal for leveling or creating sloped floors
- Pre-measured packaging for easy mixing, just add water or PROFLEX® Liquid Latex and mix
- Interior or Exterior use
- Excellent workability
- Convenient for small or large jobs

Uses

- Over concrete floors
- Shower receptors
- Roof decks and concrete decking
- Over plywood substrates (with PROFLEX® HYDRA-SEAL) and lath
- Under ceramic tile, quarry, pavers or stone
- Over and under PROFLEX® HYDRA-SEAL Waterproofing / Crack Isolation Membrane

Packaging

50 lb. bag

Coverage

50 lb. (22.7 kg) bag: approximately 4.25ft2 (0.39 m2) at 1" (25 mm) thickness.

Storage

All materials should be stored at 40°F-80°F (4°-27°C) 24 hours prior to installation.

Note: It is the responsibility of the installer/applicator to ensure suitability of the product for its intended use.

Limitations

- Do not use over gypsum underlayment, hardwood, OSB, particle board or parquet flooring.
- Do not use under moisture sensitive floor coverings.
- Do not overwater. Mix to a dry consistency.

4. TECHNICAL DATA

Meets ANSI A108.1A, A108.1B, and A108.1C PSI >3000

5. INSTALLATION

Surface Preparation

- Surface must be clean, dry, hard and free from dirt, loose particles, wax, sealers, curing compounds, grease, paint, efflorescence and any foreign materials that will inhibit adhesion.
- Floors must be structurally sound, free of movement and dimensionally stable.
- All installations must conform to ANSI A108.1.
- Smooth concrete surfaces must be scarified.
- Concrete surface must be brought to a saturated surface dry (SSD) condition with clean potable water. All excess water must be removed.
- All materials should be stored at 40°F (4°C) to 80°F (27°C) 24 hours
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Mixina

- 1. Use cool, clean, potable water for mixing. Always use clean tools and mixing containers. PROFLEX® Liquid Latex can be used in place of water.
- 2. Add just enough dry mix to the liquid, approximately 2.5 3 qt (2.4 L 2.8 L) per 50 lb (22.7 kg), to produce a dry-pack consistency. Too much liquid will cause the mortar to have reduced strength.
- 3. Mix thoroughly until lump free.
- 4. The consistency and workability should be such to allow maximum compaction during tamping.
- 5. Bucket life is approximately one hour. Warmer temperatures will reduce the bucket life.

Application

Apply only to surfaces that are frost free and above 40°F (4°C) and below 100°F (38°C) within 24 hours of application and 72 hours thereafter. Installation must conform to the current specifications in ANSI A108.5 and the TCNA Handbook for Ceramic Tile Installations.

Floors requiring reinforcement

- When installing mud beds requiring reinforcement, place wire mesh reinforcement in the center of the mortar bed; reinforcement should not butt against vertical surfaces.
- Apply a slurry bond coat and install floor mud to desired thickness.

Shower receptors, steam rooms, and wet areas

When installing Floor Mud in a shower receptor, steam room or wet areas requiring a waterproof membrane, Floor Mud must be tamped and sloped towards drain at 1/4" (6 mm) per foot and have a waterproof membrane and flanged drain installed prior to Floor Mud installation. Refer to TCNA B414, TR418 and SR613. PROFLEX® HYDRA-SEAL Waterproof / Crack Isolation Membrane on top of the cured mortar bed greatly reduces mold and mildew growth in the shower floor.

Over wood floors

Install a cleavage membrane (4 mil. polyethylene film or PROFLEX® HYDRA-SEAL) before placing Floor Mud.

Concrete floors without reinforcement

Apply Floor Mud. The addition of PROFLEX® Liquid Latex provides better adhesion to the existing substrate and strength
of the mortar bed.

Installation of tile with wet set method

- Soak tile in clean, potable water until saturated and drain excess water before setting tile. Immerse tile completely during the soaking period. Re-soaking of tile may be necessary if the tile exibits drying along the edges before setting.
- Apply a coat of white cement over the Floor Mud while still fresh and workable.
- Set tile firmly on the mortar bed. Space tiles to desired grout joint width and bring surfaces to a true level plane. Thoroughly beat tile while the mortar bed is still workable. Coverage under tile should be a minimum 80% interior or dry areas and 95% exterior or wet areas.

Refer to ANSI 108.1A, 108.1B and 108.1C and TCNA Handbook for Ceramic Tile Installation.

Installation of tile with the dry set method

• For installations of tile over a cured floor mud, use PROFLEX® tile setting mortar. Consult the respective product information sheet.

6. AVAILABILITY

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To locate PROFLEX® products in your area, please contact:

Phone: 877-577-6353 Website: <u>www.proflex.us</u>

7. WARRANTY

PROFLEX® Products, Inc. offers a limited warranty for this product when used in accordance with printed specifications. A copy of the limited warranty can be obtained by calling technical services at 877-577-6353 or visiting www.proflex.us

8. MAINTENANCE

None required, but installation performance and durability may depend on properly maintaining products supplied by other manufacturers

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9. TECHNICAL SERVICES

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10. FILING SYSTEM

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