# CIKOtile AD



# Standard performance general purpose tile adhesive

#### **Description**

CIKOtile AD is a cement based factory pre mixed tile adhesive designed for horizontal and skirting applications over concrete and screed surfaces. It requires addition of water and proper mixing at site for usage.

CIKOtile AD is a factory blended powder consisting of cement, graded selected sand, rheology modifier and other chemical additives.

#### **Properties & Advantages**

- Single component system easy to mix and apply.
- Good slip resistance.
- Good open time at standard conditions
- Provides good workability and open time.
- Good bond strength.
- Heat resistant

#### Coverage

Each bag of 25 kg CIKOtile AD mixed with 4 L up to 4.5 L of water yields 14.5 L to 15.5 L of fresh adhesive that provides coverage as below

4*4 mm Notched	7.25 to 7.75 m <sup>2</sup>
6*6 mm Notched	4.8 to 5.15 m <sup>2</sup>
10*10 mm Notched	2.9 to 3.1 m <sup>2</sup>
20*20 mm Notched	1.45 to 1.55 m <sup>2</sup>

Coverage rate may vary depending on substrate conditions and finish. Bedding thickness can be maintained from 2mm to 12 mm thick solid bed. Note: the coverage of 4\*4 mm notched results in 2 mm thick solid bed.

#### **Application area & uses**

CIKOtile AD is a general purpose tile adhesive suitable for indoor horizontal and skirting thin setting applications to fix ceramic, porcelain, and natural stone tiles

# Applicable standards

CIKOtile AD complies with minimum performance requirements of:

- ANSI A118.1
- BS EN 12004 & ISO13007-1 code C1-TE
- Qatar Construction Specifications (QCS)

### **Physical Properties**

Form	Powder
Colour	Grey or White
W/P	0.16-0.18
Fresh Density	1.95 ± 0.05 kg/L
Tensile Bond Strength BS EN 1348	≥0.75 N/mm² Initial Adhesion
	≥0.5 N/mm <sup>2</sup> Water immersion
	≥0.6 N/mm² Heat Ageing
	≥0.5 N/mm <sup>2</sup> Freeze-Thaw Cycle
Tensile Bond Strength (Open Time) BS EN1346	≥0.65 N/mm2 (20 mins)
	≥0.5 N/mm2 (30 mins)
Slip Resistance BS EN 1308	<0.5 mm
VOC USEPA 24	<0.1g/g

# Application instructions

# Substrate and tiles preparation

The substrate surface should be free from dust and loose particles. In case of traces of oil and grease, the surface shall be treated by acid etching or sand blasting. Curing compounds and sealers, if present, must be removed by mechanical means such as wire brushing or diamond disk grinding. Upon ensuring a sound and clean substrate, wet and saturate the substrate surface and tiles' bottom surface with clean water just before the application of CIKOtile AD.



#### Mixing

Pour 4 up 4.5 litres of clean water in a container of minimum capacity 25 L, dispense the powder gradually while mixing using heavy duty adjustable speed drill-paddle mixer assembly. Mix at least 3 minutes at high speed so that the mixed material attains a thick, trowel-able and lump free consistency.

Note: In hot weather application, use chilled water to extend the open time and workability of the mixed material.

#### **Application method**

Spread the mixed material over the saturated surface dry area (no standing water) to a uniform thickness. Comb the applied surface using a semi-notched trowel. Use a rubber hummer to tap the tile, and press it firmly to the adhesive bed in perpendicular motion to notched lines and ensure that the tile is firmly bonded to the substrate. Adjust the tile within 5 to 10 minutes after initial positioning.

At high ambient temperatures, it is advisable not to increase the spreading area over the surface so that installation of the tiles takes place within the open time of the adhesive (10 to 15 minutes). In case of skin formation of the adhesive surface, remove and replace with fresh materials.

#### **Packaging**

CIKOtile AD is available in 25kg moisture resistant bags.

#### Storage

CIKOtile AD should be stored under enclosed shaded areas at temperatures between 5°C and 45°C.

#### Shelf life

CIKOtile AD has a shelf life of 12 months when stored in its unopened original packaging as per CIKO's recommendations.

# **Precautions**

When used over gypsum surfaces, light weight panels, light weight blocks, cement board or any other substrates having high surface absorption, It is recommended to seal the substrate using CIKObond PVA or CIKObond AC and allow drying prior to the application.

# Health & safety

Use standard dust mask to avoid inhalation of dust. Powder when wet or moist can cause burns to skin and eyes which should be protected during use. If comes in contact with skin/eyes, flush with plenty of fresh water and seek medical advice.

Refer Material Safety Data Sheet for further details.

# Technical Support

For any technical support, do not hesitate to contact CIKO team at any time as CIKO offers on and off site services to end users, specifier and contractors.

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