

# weberset SPF

### A flexible, cement-based polymer modified tile adhesive for internal & external use

- Suitable for use with underfloor heating
- For substrates subject to movement or expansion
- High grab non-slip for walls and floors

### About this product

weberset SPF is a flexible, improved cementitious adhesive with additional characteristics, reduced slip and extended open time for internal and external use. It is suitable for fixing all types of ceramic wall and floor tiles, mosaics, marble, terrazzo, natural stone, brick slips and glass blocks in areas that will be dry or wet. It is particularly suited for situations where some movement, deflection or limited shrinkage is likely.

#### Features and benefits

- Manufactured under BSI Quality Assurance Scheme ISO 9001
- Gives improved adhesion for fully vitrified tiles
- Particularly suitable for situations where some movement or vibration is likely, or when tiles are very large
- Ideal for tiling on to low porosity substrates
- Suitable for walls and floors in wet and dry areas
- Available in grey or white
- Extended open time for difficult layouts

For fixing ceramic or porcelain tiles

- Walls and floors
- Interior and exterior situations
- Underfloor heating
- Undertile warming
- Overboarded wooden floors
- Low porosity tiles or substrates
- Power-floated screeds
- Tiling onto existing tiles



















#### **Constraints**

Not recommended for tiling onto single layer wooden floors, e.g. chipboard, tongued and grooved timber.

Not recommended for tiles with resin backs. Please contact technical services for application advice.

For installation recommendations, including maximum weights and heights on substrates, please refer to the relevant BS 5385.

#### Preparation

Ensure that all surfaces are clean, dry, sound and free from dust, grease or any contaminating barrier. Make good any unsound areas and remove flaky or peeling layers before tiling.

Prime porous or dusty surfaces. **weber PR360** is normally recommended for most walls in dry areas. **weber AD250** is recommended for wood, wet areas and floors. Allow the primer to dry. Check before use that the colour of the adhesive does not cause staining or discolouration of light coloured or translucent tiles.

#### **Mixing**

Gradually add approximately 2.5 parts of powder to 1 part of clean water (measured by volume), and mix to a smooth workable, stiff paste. Normal usage requires 5 litres of water per 20kg of adhesive.

Use within 60 minutes of mixing. Do not attempt to extend the pot life by adding more water to the mix

#### **Application**

### Do not use at temperatures below 5°C

Apply the adhesive onto the substrate covering up to 1m² at a time (or no more than can be tiled within 30 minutes). Use a suitable notched trowel to achieve a bed thickness of 3 to 6mm. Large or studded backed tiles may need to have adhesive buttered onto the tile back as well. Bed the tiles firmly into the adhesive with a slight sliding and/or twisting action, to ensure a good contact.

It is good practice to lift an occasional tile after fixing, to verify that the required contact is being achieved.

In wet areas, external areas and all floors, the final adhesive bed should be free from voids. Leave appropriate clearance joints for grouting and make any adjustment within 10 minutes. Carefully clean off any excess adhesive from the tiles and joints with a damp sponge or cloth before it sets.

Leave for at least 24 hours before grouting. Longer is required at lower temperatures or when tiling onto impervious or sealed surfaces.

#### **Brick and blockwork**

Allow at least 6 weeks before tiling. Lightweight blocks need priming. Ensure that the wall face is sufficiently flat.

### Cement/sand render or screed

Allow at least 3 weeks for screed and 2 weeks for render before tiling. Priming may be required if the surface is very dusty or porous.

#### Concrete

Allow at least 7 weeks before tiling onto new concrete. Surface should be clean and free from laitance – scabbling is recommended. Set time will be extended on dense or power floated screeds.

#### **Existing ceramic tiles**

Ensure that the substrate is strong enough to take the weight of extra tiling, that the existing tiles are firmly adhered and that the surface is free from any wax or polish. Set time will be extended.

## Plaster walls & anydrite screeds

Leave plaster for at least 4 weeks before tiling. Ensure anhydrite screeds are fully dry (moisture content <0.5%). It is important that the surface is abraided and sealed by repeatedly coating with primer until the surface stops absorbing. For walls in dry areas use weber PR360 otherwise use weber AD250

#### Underfloor heating/ undertile warming

The heating must be off and should be turned on gradually at least 5 days after tiling.

# Wallboards; fibre/cement, plywood, plasterboard, MDF

A suitable board to receive tiling must be securely braced and fixed in accordance with the board manufacturers recommendations. Ensure the board is rigid and strong enough to support the expected load with only minimal deflection. Prime the reverse face and edges of plywood with weber AD250 before fixing.

#### Wooden floors

Ensure the floor is rigid and strong enough to support the expected load with only minimal deflection. Tongued and grooved timber and chipboard must be overboarded with exterior grade plywood at least 15mm thick. Plywood floors should be at least 18mm thick and all joints must be supported. New boards should be primed on the reverse face and edges. All boards must be screwed down every 300mm.

#### Allowance for movement

Flexible joints should be incorporated to allow for slight movements due to changes in temperature, humidity etc. as indicated by BS5385:

- a) where the tiling meets other materials (e.g. floor perimeters)
- b) along all internal corners vertically and horizontally
- c) over existing movement joints or changes in background material
- d) dividing large tiled areas into bays (every 3 4.5m on walls, 8 10m on floors)

#### **Packaging**

Packed in plastic lined paper sacks. Grey: 20kg White: 20kg

#### Coverage

Coverage is approximately 1.5kg of powder per m<sup>2</sup> for every 1mm of bed thickness.

#### Storage and shelf-life

When stored unopened in a dry place at temperatures above 5°C, shelf life is 12 months from date of manufacture.

#### Health and safety

For further information, please request the Material Safety Data Sheet for this product.



### **Technical data**

Exceeds the requirements of BS EN 12004 for C2TE-S1	
Bed thickness	3 - 6mm (may be exceeded in small areas only)
Coverage (approx.)	9 kg/m² (solid bed, 6 mm thick) 4.5 kg/m² (solid bed, 3 mm thick) 3.0 kg/m² (using a notched trowel with 6 x 6 mm notches at 12mm centres)
Open time	30 minutes
Working time (pot life)	1 hour after mixing
Set time	24 hours - light foot traffic, full load after 48 hours
Temperature resistance	-10°C to 100°C and frost resistant when set
Water addition	5 litres per 20kg
Particle size	Up to approx. 0.5mm

Note: setting times are quoted at 20°C and are temperature and humidity dependent

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