



# **GRC** Fibre Glass Reinforced Polymer Levelling Base Coat

### **Technical Data**

Pack Size 25kg Bag

**Application Tool** Sponge Float or Brush

#### Suitable Substrates

Concrete, Clay, Lightweight Block, Brick, Dash and Roughcast Render

Approximately 1.5m<sup>2</sup> per bag @ 10mm thick

## **Water Demand**

Approx. 4.5 litres per 25kg bag

### **Ready to Finish**

2 - 8 hours @ 3°C - 25°C

## **Application Temperature**

3°C - 25°C

## **Humidity**

Less than 95%



Long Term Protection

Fibre Zone



Highly Polymo



Suitable for Hand or



Water Renellent

## **DESCRIPTION**

Wethertex GRC is a highly polymer modified and fibre reinforced high performance cement based waterproofing base coat. The ultimate base for mixed substrates, it has excellent workability and finishing time properties. This product can be applied by hand or spray in low temperatures and used as a scratch base coat ready to receive a through coloured render or as a flat finish ready to receive a thin coat render.

#### **PRFPARATION**

All surfaces must be sound, clean, dry and free of any material which may impair adhesion. Do not apply to shiny surfaces. Scaffolding must be independently tied to allow for uninterrupted application. Any faults in the structure, particularly those which may lead to moisture penetration, must be rectified. Mask around the areas where material is to be applied. Masking tape must be removed before the material has dried out. Beads and expansion joints should be included as required by the substrate and British Standards and carried through all applied materials. Specifications for mixed or unusual substrates are available on request.

Wet down dry substrates with clean water.

## **MIXING**

GRC Fibre Glass Reinforced Polymer Levelling Base Coat should be mixed with clean water at a rate of approximately 4.75 litres per 25kg bag using a suitable paddle or pan mixer, mix for 2 minutes, allow standing for 2 minutes, then remix. This process allows the chemical additives to dissolve and activate.

## **APPLICATION**

To avoid dampness and discolouration rendering should be avoided below DPC or within 150mm of ground level. GRC Fibre Glass Reinforced Polymer Levelling Base Coat should be applied in a one-coat 2-pass operation to a thickness of 10-15mm.

10mm Flat Finish - Ready to receive a coating The 1st pass should be applied to the primed substrate with a stainless steel trowel or spray pump, and for ease of application a serrated feather edge and finishing spatula will help. Apply the 1st pass to approx. 5mm thick with fibre-reinforcing mesh included in the 1st pass ensuring that the mesh is overlapped 100mm at the mesh joints. Additional fibre-reinforcing mesh stress patches of 500 x 500mm should be added at all openings: i.e., windows and doors, and also window reveals for additional

substrate stress protection. The 2nd pass should then be applied to approx. 5mm thick wet on wet to the 1st pass, levelled flat and should be left to pick up for 2-8 hours and then be wet sponge float finished flat and allowed to set. Total thickness = 10mm.

15mm Flat Finish – Ready to receive masonry paint The 1st pass should be applied to the primed substrate with a stainless steel trowel or spray pump, and for ease of application a serrated feather edge and finishing spatula will help. Apply the 1st pass to approx. 8mm thick with fibre-reinforcing mesh included in the 1st pass ensuring that the mesh is overlapped 100mm at the mesh joints. Additional fibre-reinforcing mesh stress patches of 500 x 500 mm should be added at all openings: i.e., windows and doors, and also window reveals for additional substrate stress protection. The 2nd pass should then be applied to approx. 7mm thick wet on wet to the 1st pass, levelled flat and should be left to pick up for 2-8 hours and then be wet sponge float finished flat and allowed to set. Total thickness = 15mm.

Specification Clauses relating to this product can be found in NBS Section M20 Rendering. BS 5262 Code of Practice for External Rendering and BS 8000-10 must be followed.

Note: GRC may stiffen on standing. Re-mix the product to regain a workable consistency but do not add any more water.













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#### **STORAGE**

When stored unopened in a dry place at temperatures above  $5^{\circ}$ C, shelf life is 12 months from the date of manufacture.

#### **TOOL CLEANING**

All equipment must be washed with clean water immediately after use. Waste material should not be emptied in the drainage systems.

## **HEALTH & SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS**

For further information, please request the material safety data sheet for this product by visiting **www.wethertex.co.uk** 

## **IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

The weather conditions for application and drying are critical. Do not apply if any of the following conditions are likely to arise during - or in the first 24 hours following application:

- If frost is forecast, or in excessive wet conditions
- Relative Humidity is above 95%
- In temperatures below +3°C or above +25°C
- If the elevation is in direct sunlight
- If the substrate is hot (at above 30°C) or below +1°C
- Coverage rates are approximate and do not take into account wastage and uneven substrates

The render must be protected against heavy rain, direct sun or wind in the first 24 hours after application. Sheeting the façade or the scaffold is advised to protect against this. For this particular product, if these parameters are not met, the product is at risk of, efflorescence and potential failure. It is the responsibility of the application contractor to manage and record the weather conditions during application and curing of the product.

If the above is not followed or alternative products are used, then system failure may occur.

To the best of our knowledge and belief, this information is true and accurate. However, as conditions of use of the product and the expertise of any applicator involved are beyond our control, the end user must satisfy themselves by prior testing that the product is suitable for the specific application if no specification has been provided for the project in hand. No responsibility can be accepted, nor any warranty given by our Representatives, Agents or Distributors. Products are sold subject to our Standard Conditions of Sale and the end user should ensure that they have consulted our latest literature.







