

# MasterTile<sup>®</sup> FLX 555

# **Cement Based Flexible Grouting for Ceramics and Tiles**

# **DESCRIPTION OF PRODUCT**

MasterTile<sup>®</sup> FLX 555 is a cement based, grouting material decorative for ceramic, tile, marble and granite interlines which is not effected by water and which is resistant against vibrations, elongations and contractions due to temperature changes.

#### Complies with EN 13888 - CG2WA class

CG2= Enhanced Cement based grouting (fulfilling additional properties) W= Reduced Water absorption property A= Highly abrasion-resistant

## FIELDS OF APPLICATION

- Indoor spaces, in vertical and horizontal applications
- In filling the grouting holes of ceramics, tiles, marble and granite adhered on existing surfaces
- Shopping centers
- On commercial and industrial floors
- In hotels
- In hospitals
- In wet spaces
- In domiciles

# FEATURES AND BENEFITS

Prepared and applied easily.

**TECHNICAL DATA** 

- Does not scratch silvered surfaces.
- It is suitable for grouting holes with the widths 2-8 mm.
- Provides excellent adhesion to the edges of tiles
- without cracking. Has a long machinability duration. Smooth surfaces are obtained.

- Since it has little water absorbance it hardly gets dirty • and can be cleaned easily.
- Freeze-thaw cycle resistant.
- Resistant to impacts, vibrations and detergents.

## **APLICATION PROCEDURE Preparation of Substrate**

Before filling ceramics and tile grouting holes, it must be waited for the used adhesive to achieve sufficient hardness. Just before interlining materials are applied, the surface must be cleaned without being harmed and must be dampened with a wet sponge.

#### Mixing

Pour the amount of water indicated in the Mixing Ratios table into a clean mixing container with the assistance of a measuring cup. Add MasterTile® FLX 555 slowly while mixing with a mixer that has a revolving frequency of 400-600 rev/min for about 3-5 minutes until a homogeneous mixture without pellets is obtained. Set it aside for about 3-5 minutes and the material becomes ready to use after it is mixed again for 30 more seconds.

#### **Mixing Ratio**

MasterTile <sup>®</sup> FLX 555	Mixture Water	Mxture
	Amount	Density
For 1 kg of Powder	Max. 0,32 liter	
For 5 kg Bag	Max. 1,60 liter	~1,80 kg/lt
For 20 kg Bag	Max. 6,40 liter	

Structure of The Material	It contains mineral fillings, sythetic additives and special cement.	
Pressure Resistance	≥15 N/mm²	
Bending Resistance	≥2,50 N/mm <sup>2</sup>	
Water Absorbtion:		
30 minute	≤2 gr	
240 minute	≤5 gr	
Abrasion Resistance	≤1000 mm <sup>3</sup>	
Application Surface Temperature	+5°C +25°C	WK
Service Temperature	-20°C +80°C	1
Maturation Period	3-5 minutes	
Usage Duration	2 hours	
Life Water Deliverance	10-20 minutes	
Walking Over Duration	24 hours	2





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## **APPLICATION METHOD**

Spread MasterTile® FLX 555 over the ceramics with a rubber trowel and fill the grouting interspaces. Skim the excessive material is off the grouting holes with diagonal moves. In deep grouting holes, first, wait for the settling of the material and repeat this procedure. Wait until the material can withstand the pressure of a finger and upon cleaning the whole surface with a wet sponge, give the life water that is necessary for the completion of the hydration. Clean the remaining materials on the surface of the ceramics with a wet sponge and give the final shape to the interlines. After the material gets dry (the day after by the latest), polish up the ceramics with a dry and clean oakum.

# COVERAGE

	MasterTile <sup>®</sup> FLX 555							
Ceramic Dimensions	Coverage Tbale For Cement Based Grouting Hole Depth. 8 mm							
	Grouting Widths							
	2 mm (gr/m <sup>2</sup> )	3 mm (gr/m <sup>2</sup> )	4 mm (gr/m <sup>2</sup> )	5 mm (gr/m²)	6 mm (gr/m <sup>2</sup> )	8 mm (gr/m <sup>2</sup> )		
10x10	500	700	1000	1250	1500	2000		
10x20	350	550	750	950	1150	1550		
15x15	300	450	600	800	950	1250		
15x20	250	400	550	750	900	1150		
20x20	250	350	500	700	800	1050		
20x25	200	350	500	600	750	1000		
20x30	200	300	450	550	650	900		
30x30	150	250	350	450	550	700		

Coverage Amounts are theoretical. They show powdered product Coverages.

# WATCH POINTS

- Avoid MasterTile<sup>®</sup> FLX 555 application under excessive heat or wind and/or when the ambient and/or substrate temperature is below +5 or above +25.
- Do not add water and/or new material to a MasterTile<sup>®</sup>
   FLX 555 mixture which has started getting dry under any circumstances. Ceramics with high water absorbing capacity must be saturated with water before the application.
- About 10-20 minutes after the application of the material a test must be made by exerting pressure with a finger.
- If no material is getting smudged on the fingers in the finger test, the process of giving life water to the interlines must be started. Thus dust extraction of the interlines, or their getting cracked is prevented and a perfect surface regularity is achieved.
- The surface cleansing procedure must not be carried out by using sawdust.

## **CLEANING OF TOOLS**

Used tools and equipment must be cleaned with water after the application. Once cured, **MasterTile® FLX 555** can only be removed by mechanically.

## PACKAGING

5 kg and 20 kg polyethylene reinforced kraft bag

# **STANDARD COLORS**

Anthracite Bahama Beige Caramel Mittelbraun Balibraun Jasmin Anemone Manhattan White Grey Black (dark smoke color) Cappadocia Beige

## **STORAGE**

Store in an unopened, original container, under dry and cool conditions and protect against frost. For short term storage, do not stack more than 3 palettes on top of each other and dispatch them on a first come-first go basis. Palettes should not be stacked on each other on a long term basis.

## SHELF LIFE

12 months in original unopened packaging if stored in appropriate conditions. Opened packagings should be consumed in one week.

# **HEALTH AND SAFETY PRECAUTIONS**

It is dangerous to approach the application sites. During the application, a protective apparel, protective gloves, goggles and masks which comply with the Occupational Health and Safety Rules should be used. Due to the irritation effect of the uncured materials, the mixture should not come into contact with skin and eyes; in case of a contact, the affected area should be washed with plenty of water and soap; in case of swallowing, a physician should be consulted immediately. No food or beverages should be brought to the application area. The product should be stored and kept out of reach of children. For detailed information please consult the Material Safety Data Sheet.

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