



USG SHEETROCK® BRAND TAPING JOINT COMPOUND

High-performance compound for embedding tape.

- Superior bond with good crack resistance
- Superior open time
- Excellent for embedding paper-faced corner bead
- Achieved GREENGUARD Gold Certification and qualifies as a low VOC emitting material (CDPH Standard Method V1.1, also known as CA Section 01350)

DESCRIPTION

For embedding USG Sheetrock® Brand Paper Joint Tape and embedding USG Sheetrock® Brand Paper-Faced Metal Corner Bead or USG Beadex® Brand Paper-Faced Metal Corner Bead.

LIMITATIONS

1. Protect container from freezing, extreme heat and exposure to direct sunlight.
2. Prior to using any epoxy coating over any surface treated with joint compound, consult the epoxy coating manufacturer and follow manufacturer's specific recommendations regarding the preparation or suitability of substrates for the epoxy coating. Many epoxy coatings exert significant shear stress on the substrate as the strong epoxy film shrinks while curing/drying. This stress can cause the bond of the joint compound to fail, resulting in delamination problems.

PREPARATION

Position and apply USG Sheetrock® Brand Gypsum Panels in accordance with manufacturer's recommendations. In cold weather and during gypsum panel joint finishing, temperatures within the building shall be maintained at a minimum of 55°F (13°C). Adequate ventilation shall be provided to carry off excess moisture.

Prior to application, all gypsum panels shall be free of dirt, oil or other foreign matter to ensure proper bond of joint compounds.

Before applying joint compound, store at 55-95°F (13-35°C) for 24 hours. Remix contents before use. When taping and finishing joint, thinning with water may improve application. Add clean water in half-pint increments, remix and trial apply until preferred consistency is reached. Over-dilution causes abnormal shrinkage, poor bond and other negative effects. Do not mix with any other material.

APPLICATION

Cover joint with a thin layer of compound and embed paper tape, leaving about 1/32 in. of compound under feathered edge. Let dry. Using USG Sheetrock® Brand All Purpose Joint Compound or USG Sheetrock® Brand Topping Joint Compound, apply second coat, feathering approximately 2" beyond first coat, and let dry. Apply finish coat of topping or all-purpose compound, feathering approximately 2" beyond prior coat. Let dry and sand lightly as required. Finish fastener heads, corner bead and inside corners with three coats of USG Sheetrock® Brand all purpose joint compound or 2 coats of USG Sheetrock® Brand Plus 3® lightweight all purpose joint compound, feathered out onto panel faces and finished to a smooth surface.

Drywall Primer: A priming material applied over the entire prepared gypsum panel surface prior to decoration. The priming material must be suitable for the substrate and applied as recommended by the coating manufacturer. Where final appearance is critical, the application of a flat drywall primer with high pigment solids tends to minimize most decorating problems.

A prime coat of USG Sheetrock® Brand First Coat™ Primer or a good quality interior latex flat wall paint with a high pigment solids content should be applied undiluted and allowed to dry before decoration. Walls to be covered with wallpaper or vinyl wallcovering should have the surface treated per the wallcovering manufacturer's recommendation.

USG Sheetrock® Brand ready-mix joint compound products can be used in a skim coat operation when properly prepared as a skim coating material. Refer to USG literature *Finishing & Decorating Gypsum Panels* (J2010) for information regarding skim coating with USG Sheetrock® Brand ready-mix joint compounds.

Factors not covered in this publication may also affect the finished appearance of any surface.

PRODUCT DATA

PRODUCT INFORMATION

See usg.com for the most up-to-date product information.

GREENGUARD Certified products are certified to GREENGUARD standards for low chemical emissions into indoor air during product usage. For more information, visit ul.com/gg

CAUTION

Dust from sanding may cause irritation to eyes, skin, nose, throat and upper respiratory tract. Use only in a well-ventilated area, wear a NIOSH/MSHA-approved respirator. Use a sander with vacuum attachment or wet-sanding to reduce dust. Wear eye protection. If eye contact occurs, flush thoroughly with water for 15 minutes. If on skin: Wash with plenty of water. If swallowed or irritation persists, call a physician. Prolonged or repeated breathing of respirable mica dust may cause lung disease (pneumoconiosis). Keep containers closed when not in use. For more information call Product Safety: 800 507-8899 or see the SDS at usg.com
KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN.

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SAFETY FIRST!

Follow good safety and industrial hygiene practices during handling and installing of all products and systems. Take necessary precautions and wear the appropriate personal protective equipment as needed. Read SDS and related literature on products before specification and/or installation.



Type: A vinyl-based ready-mix drying type joint compound.

Use: Ideal with most tools.

Coverage: Approximately 125 lb. to 150 lb./1,000 sq.ft. (61.0 to 73.2 kg/100 sq.m) of gypsum panels

Compliance with Standards: Meets ASTM C475, *Standard Specification for Joint Compound and Joint Tape for Finishing Gypsum Board*.

Storage: Store at 55-95°F (13-35°C) in a dry location. Protect from freezing, extreme heat and exposure to direct sunlight. Keep container tightly sealed. Do not use if material is discolored or has an unpleasant odor.

Shelf life: Up to nine months from date of manufacture under proper storage conditions. Check production date codes periodically. Rotate stock on first-in, first-out basis.

Packaging: 3.5 gal. carton. Availability may vary by market.

Cleanup: Wash tools with warm, soapy water, and wipe dry to prevent rusting.

Low VOC Content: 4 g/L

FROZEN MATERIAL GUIDELINES'

1. In the event the material is frozen, allow it to thaw completely.
2. Do not apply any form of heat to container.
3. Open the container carefully to prevent spilling any separated liquid. This is not water and must be remixed into the compound.
4. Do not add water until the material is remixed. Once the material remixes to a smooth, lump-free consistency, water may be added per USG recommendations to obtain the desired working properties. Do not use if the material is not smooth or lump free after remixing.

Note:

1. For more information, refer to USG literature *USG Sheetrock® Brand Ready-Mix Joint Compound Frozen Material Guidelines* (J2155).

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