# AQUAPANEL® ${ }^{\circledR}$ Cement Board Floor Tile Underlay 

The ideal thin substrate for tiles on wooden subfloors

## Application

The AQUAPANEL ${ }^{\circledR}$ Cement Board Floor Tile Underlay is a light, highly stable, cementitious dry floor panel which provides the ideal thin substrate for all kinds of tiles on wooden subfloors. It is particularly suitable for applications with a very low floor height because its 6 mm thickness ensures an even transition between tiled floor and carpeting and makes removal of thresholds unnecessary

AQUAPANEL ${ }^{\circledR}$ Cement Board Floor Tile Underlay panels are made of aggregated Portland cement with coated glass fibre mesh embedded in the back and front. The ends are cut square and both edges are reinforced for extra strength (the EasyEdge ${ }^{\text {TM }}$ ). The panels are $100 \%$ water-resistant and resistant to mould and mildew.

AQUAPANEL ${ }^{\circledR}$ Cement Board Floor Tile Underlay can be used as a tile backer on wooden subfloors upon which ceramic tiles or natural stone will be laid. It is easy to work with and ideal for quick and simple floor refurbishing where a very thin floor construction is required

## Physical properties

| Length $(\mathrm{mm})$ | 1200 |
| :--- | :--- |
| Width $(\mathrm{mm})$ | 900 |
| Thickness $(\mathrm{mm})$ | 6 |
| Weight per unit area $\left(\mathrm{kg} / \mathrm{m}^{2}\right)$ | approx. 8.5 |
| Dry density $\left(\mathrm{kg} / \mathrm{m}^{3}\right)$ | approx. 1250 |
| Building material class according to EN 13501 | A1 |

## Characteristics

- Best solution for very low floor heights with only 6 mm board thickness

■ Suitable for all kinds of tiles including ceramic, mosaic and natural stone

- Extremely light material, easy to handle

■ Quick and simple floor construction - easy to score and snap, no pre-drilling required

- Solid Portland cement substrate
- EasyEdge ${ }^{T M}$ - the particularly shock-proof edge on both sides
- $100 \%$ water-resistant
- Resistant to mould and mildew


## System components

AQUAPANEL ${ }^{\circledR}$ Cement Board Floor Tile Underlay is used together with the following system accessories:

- AQUAPANEL ${ }^{\oplus}$ Maxi Screw SN 25; consumption 9 screws/board
- AQUAPANEL ${ }^{\circledR}$ Tape $(10 \mathrm{~cm})$ approx. $2.1 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{m}^{2}$
- AQUAPANEL ${ }^{\circledR}$ Board Primer; consumption approx. $90-110 \mathrm{~g} / \mathrm{m}^{2}$


## Handling and installation

The wooden subfloor should be OSB 3 (acc. EN 300), chipboard (category P5 acc. EN 312) or plywood (acc. EN 636), all with tongue \& groove or backblocked at the unsupported edges. The surface must be even and the deflection of the wooden subfloor may not exceed I/400 of the span. The existing wooden framework for the subfloor must be appropriate for the static requirement of the construction. The bearing wooden joists should be designed for a deflection limit of I/300 for the span.

## Application table with minimum subfloor thickness

|  | Minimum subfloor thickness <br> depending on centre distance <br> of wooden joists |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | 40 cm | 60 cm | 80 cm |
| OSB 3 acc. to EN 300 | 18 mm | 18 mm | 22 mm |
| Chipboard category P5 acc. to EN 312 | 19 mm | 22 mm |  |

## Handling and installation

## Prime subfloor

Prime the subfloor with AQUAPANEL ${ }^{\circledR}$ Board Primer (dilution 1:1). Allow half a day for drying


Nine screws per board evenly distributed with a minimum distance from the board edge of 15 mm .


## Joint treatment

Fill all the joints with flexible tile adhesive (class C2/S1 acc. EN 12004/ 12002). Then embed AQUAPANEL® Tape ( 10 cm ). Allow the tile adhesive in the joints to dry.


## Lay the first panel

The first AQUAPANEL ${ }^{\oplus}$ Cement Board Floor Tile Underlay panel is fitted in the corner of the room. Make sure that the panel is laid in such a way that there is a staggered joint (minimum 200 mm staggering) between the wooden subfloor and panel. The two joints should not coincide.

## Screw the panel

Screw the panel to the subfloor immediately after laying by using AQUAPANEL ${ }^{\circledR}$ Maxi Screws SN 25.

When laying subsequent panels, make sure there is a planned gap of $3-5 \mathrm{~mm}$ between the panels. Always start in the utmost corner across from the door to avoid stepping on the


## Prime the surface

Apply AQUAPANEL® Board Primer (dilution 1:2) over the entire surface of the AQUAPANEL ${ }^{\text {® }}$ Cement Board Floor Tile Underlay. After the primer has dried (approx. 12 hours, depending on the climate conditions) it is possible to continue with the next stage.


## Lay tiles

Glue tiles onto the primed surface of the AQUAPANEL® ${ }^{\circledR}$ Cement Board Floor Tile Underlay panel using flexible tile adhesive (class C2/S1 acc. EN 12004/12002). The maximum side length for tiles is $30 \times 30 \mathrm{~cm}$ * Please refer to the manufacturer's data and further guidelines of the tiling trade as
 appropriate.


## Apply flexible tile adhesive

Apply a flexible tile adhesive (class C2/S1 acc. EN 12004/12002 is recommended).

* For larger and non-square formats tiles should be chosen according to tile height and bending strength
tile proportion 1:1

tile proportion 1:3

tile proportion 1:4



## Method of delivery

| Number of boards | 50 pieces per pallet |
| :--- | :--- |
| Standard dimensions $W \times L^{*}$ | $900 \times 1200 \mathrm{~mm}: 54 \mathrm{~m}^{2}$ |
| * Other sizes on request. |  |

## Item codes

AQUAPANEL ${ }^{\circledR}$ Cement Board Floor Tile Underlay: 240211
AQUAPANEL ${ }^{\circledR}$ Maxi Screw SN25: 87319
AQUAPANEL ${ }^{\circledR}$ Board Primer: 49279 ( $15 \mathrm{~kg} /$ pail)/73789 ( $2.5 \mathrm{~kg} /$ pail)
AQUAPANEL ${ }^{\oplus}$ Tape ( 10 cm ): 429471 ( 50 m )
AQUAPANEL ${ }^{\circledR}$ Tape ( 10 cm ): $465546(20 \mathrm{~m})$

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