

# GRIPSET<sup>®</sup> C-RUBBER

FLEXIBLE RUBBER MODIFIED  
TILE ADHESIVE

# TDS

TECHNICAL DATA SHEET

## Description

**GRIPSET C-RUBBER** is a respirable silica free, flexible, white rubber modified tile adhesive suitable for internal and external wall and floor tiling applications. Combining excellent performance with outstanding coverage, Gripset C-Rubber offers a superior economical adhesive option where rubber modified adhesives are required

## Features & Benefits

- Respirable silica free formulation
- White Adhesive
- Non-slump
- Flexible
- Highly economical
- Meets C2TES1 classification
- Suitable for internal and external applications
- Can be used over green screeds and render

## Uses

- General floor and wall tiling to internal and external areas
- Internal/external wet areas
- Fixing porcelain, ceramic and vitrified tiles, mosaics and natural stone (not moisture sensitive)

## Substrates

Substrates suitable for bonding Gripset C-Rubber over include:

- Concrete
- Screed & Render
- Blockwork
- Plasterboard linings
- Compressed fibre cement sheeting
- Acoustic underlay
- Gripset waterproofing membranes

For further information and advice on surface/substrate suitability and preparation contact RLA Technical department

## Surface Preparation

- All surfaces are to be clean, sound, smooth, dry, and free from loose material, dirt, dust, oil, grease, wax residues, laitance, curing compounds, release agents, existing coatings, moss, algae, sharp protruding objects and general surface contaminants that may compromise the adhesion of the overlaid adhesive system
- Structurally unsound layers and surface contaminants to be mechanically removed by grinding, abrasive blasting or equivalent methods.
- Building surfaces must be fit for purpose and constructed to manufacturer's recommendations and relevant building standards in force at time of application
- Ensure all concrete slabs are allowed to cure for at least seven days, have a wood float finish and a minimum compressive strength of 20MPa
- Steel-trowelled, burnished and dense concrete surfaces must be mechanically abraded to roughen surfaces and provide a key before commencing tiling. Alternatively, surfaces can be primed with [GRIPSET OP PRIMER](#)
- Rendered and screeded surfaces must be allowed to cure for at least 24 hours before commencing tiling
- Existing tiled surfaces must be well bonded, sound and secure. Surface of tiles to be mechanically abraded/roughened to remove at least 80% of the tile glaze for direct fixing. Alternatively, prime tiled surfaces with [GRIPSET OP PRIMER](#)

## Priming

Highly porous and non-porous surfaces to be primed before installation of C-Rubber

### POROUS/ABSORBENT SURFACES

#### [GRIPSET GP PRIMER.](#)

Apply by brush or medium nap roller at a minimum coverage of 1litre/8-10m<sup>2</sup>

### NON POROUS/NON ABSORBENT SURFACES

#### [GRIPSET OP PRIMER.](#)

Apply by brush or medium nap roller at a minimum coverage of 1 litre per 12m<sup>2</sup>

**NOTE:** Refer to Gripset primer data sheets for specific application and coverage details

## Mixing

- The mixing ratio of C-Rubber is 8 litres of water per 20kg bag
- Pour clean water into a clean pail and gradually add the C-Rubber while mixing continuously using an electric stirrer with paddle attachment until a smooth, lump-free consistency is obtained.
- Always add powder to the liquid.
- Allow the mix to stand for 3 minutes and re-stir before applying the adhesive onto the substrate

## Application

- All preparation and tiling should be carried out in accordance with AS 3958
- Once the surface has been suitably prepared, apply the adhesive onto the substrate using an appropriately sized notched trowel for the tile size
- For tiles larger than 300 x 300mm back-butter the tiles in addition to notching the floor
- With Clip systems use a 12,15 or 20mm notch and back butter the tile to ensure coverage complies with the standard
- C-Rubber should be applied onto the substrate at a rate of 1m<sup>2</sup> at time. Application rates greater than this can result in the adhesive skinning before the tiles are laid into it
- Once the adhesive skins do not lay tiles, remove & re-apply fresh adhesive
- When placing the tiles, press them into the wet bed of adhesive by using a sliding action. Ensure no voids occur and full coverage of adhesive is under the tiles.
- Periodically lift a tile to ensure there are no voids beneath the tile.
- Tiles are to be fixed into a full wet bed of adhesive. DO NOT SPOT FIX
- For tiles with lugs, grooves or uneven backing it may be required to butter the back of the tile with adhesive in addition to trowelling the adhesive onto the substrate.
- The final bed thickness of the adhesive should be at least 2mm for wall tiling and 3mm for floor tiling.
- Once the tiling is completed do not disturb the tiled surface for at least 24 hours at 20°C

## Expansion/Movement Joints

- Movement joints to be installed as per AS 3958



# GRIPSET<sup>®</sup> C-RUBBER

FLEXIBLE RUBBER MODIFIED  
TILE ADHESIVE

# TDS

TECHNICAL DATA SHEET

## Grouting

- Grouting application can commence after adhesive has cured for 24 hours, or until the adhesive has hardened sufficiently that tiles are well fixed and will not be displaced during the grouting application\*
- Any adhesive that has leached into the grout joint must be raked out with a knife/spatula etc. prior to grouting
- Protect tiling from rain and inclement weather until 24 hours after grouting is complete.

\*Drying times may be extended in humid conditions and colder temperatures.

## Coverage

- Approximately 10-12m<sup>2</sup> with a 10mm notched trowel

## Dry Times

Open Time	30 minutes
Adjustment time:	40 minutes
Pot Life	1 hour
Ready for grouting:	24 hours
Light foot traffic:	24 hours
Wet Area service	3-4 days

### Important:

Drying times are based on ambient temperatures @ 23°C and 50% RH.  
Drying times may vary subject to ambient/surface temperatures, humidity and substrate porosity.  
Drying/curing times will be extended in cooler conditions and periods of high relative humidity

## Clean Up

- Excess adhesive from the face of the tiles can be cleaned up with a damp cloth or sponge while the adhesive is still in a wet state
- Tools and other equipment can be cleaned using water while the adhesive is still wet.
- Dried adhesive to be removed mechanically

## Shelf life and Storage

- 12 months when stored in original unopened packaging
- Avoid freezing conditions and off of cold floors
- Best stored at room temperature
- Do not store in direct sunlight

## Packaging

- 20kg bags

## Precautions

- Do not apply when surface or ambient temperatures are below 5°C or above 35°C
- Not recommended for fixing tiles directly onto timber floors
- Not suitable for use with moisture sensitive stone
- Not to be used for immersed applications such as pools, spas etc
- For further information about this product contact RLA Technical Department

## Health & Safety

For information and advice on the safe handling, first aid, storage and disposal of chemical products, users must refer to the most recent Safety Data Sheet (SDS) containing physical, ecological, toxicological and other safety-related data. Safety Data Sheet (SDS) available

## Technical Data

Form/Colour	White
Bulk Density	0.94kg/dm <sup>3</sup>

## Performance as per ISO 13007

### Tensile adhesion strength after

28 days dry	≥1MPa
Water immersion	≥1MPa
Freeze/thaw	≥1MPa
CLASSIFICATION	C2TES1

## Notes

It is recommended before commencing the application; that adhesion of products to be used (e.g. primers, membranes, coatings adhesives etc) is tested over a typical area of the prepared surface to ensure satisfactory adhesion. It is the responsibility of the applicator to carry this out and accept the substrate suitability before any application starts. Details contained in product data sheets are general. For any situation or items not covered in this data sheet, it is the responsibility of the applicator to check with RLA Technical Services before commencing the application. A written confirmation will then be issued by RLA Technical Services.



**Address :** 215 Colchester Road Kilsyth Victoria 3137

**Phone:** +61 (8) 8124-7300 or 1800 650 435

**Email:** [technicalsupport@rlapolymers.com.au](mailto:technicalsupport@rlapolymers.com.au)

**Website:** [www.gripset.com](http://www.gripset.com)



**Warranty Statement:**

RLA Polymers guarantees this product against manufacturing defects and guarantees it to be manufactured to our published specification.

We certify that this product is suitable for use when fully cured and will perform as described in our technical data sheet or other published materials.

RLA Polymers will replace the product free of charge when purchased from any legally verifiable source and where the product is proven to have been stored, handled, and install according to instructions published on our packaging and within the stated shelf life. The Installation of all materials must be carried out in accordance with relevant Australian Standards.

Warranty doesn't apply if damage, loss, failure to follow instructions, or other circumstances are out of our control.

Sufficient time and access to investigate any complaint must be accorded to RLA Polymers.

The consumer is responsible for any expenses incurred in making a claim.

**Australian Consumer Law:**

Our goods come with guarantees that cannot be excluded under the Australian Consumer Law. You are entitled to a replacement or refund for a major failure and compensation for any other reasonably foreseeable loss or damage. You are also entitled to have the goods repaired or replaced if the goods fail to be of acceptable quality, and the failure does not amount to a major failure. The benefits under our warranty are in addition to other rights and remedies available to the consumer under the law in relation to the goods and services to which the warranty relates.

**Disclaimer:**

All statements and technical information contained herein are based on tests we believe to be reliable, but the accuracy thereof is not guaranteed.

Users assume all risk and liability resulting from the use of the product and must confirm the suitability thereof by their own tests. Conditions of Sale contain a limited warranty against manufacturing defects.

**GRIPSET C-RUBBER TDS**

**Issue Date:** 20/01/2025

**Author:** AR