

## PRODUCT DATA SHEET

# **APF**

FIBRE REINFORCED GYPSUM BASED SELF LEVELLING COMPOUND, FOR USE FROM 3 – 30 MM.



## **DESCRIPTION**

Fibre reinforced gypsum based self levelling compound, for use from 3 – 30 mm. Suitable on most concrete, gypsum based and wooden- board subfloors. For indoor use only.

## **USES**

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## **CHARACTERISTICS / ADVANTAGES**

- Fibre reinforced
- Good flowing properties
- Very low tension/stress
- High strength values
- Suitable for applications on subfloor heating system
- Suitable for castor wheels (>2 mm)
- Pumpable

## **APPROVALS / CERTIFICATES**

EN 13813: CA-C35-F10

## **PRODUCT INFORMATION**

Composition	Calcium sulphate (gypsum)
Packaging	25 kg
Shelf life	Storage life 12 month (in closed packaging). Opened bags should be closed immediately and used up as soon as possible.
Storage conditions	Store APF in cool, dry conditions.
Bulk Density	1,02 kg/liter of dry powder

## APPLICATION INFORMATION

Consumption	approx. 1,5 kg/m²/mm
	approx. 1,3 kg/m /mm
Layer Thickness	3 - 30 mm
Substrate Temperature	Both substrate and leveling compound: Not below +5 $^{\circ}$ C, best conditions between +15 $^{\circ}$ C - +20 $^{\circ}$ C
Pot Life	approx. 30 minutes
Waiting Time / Overcoating	Walk-able: approx. 3 hours Cover-able: approx. 24 hours < 3 mm

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#### APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

#### **MIXING**

25 kg of APF / 5,5 liter of cold water

#### **APPLICATION**

APF is suitable for:

- For full-surface smoothing and leveling of the sub floors.
- In residential, commercial, schools, office and hospitals
- Under textile, ceramic and elastic coverings
- For full-surface levelling under parquet (layer thickness must be at least 3 mm)
- For indoor use only.
- The leveling compound must be covered, preferably within 3 days, to prevent cracks.

#### **PRIMING**

For priming the substrates, use suitable Casco Floor Expert primer. For further information see technical data sheet of the primer.

#### RECOMMENDED METHOD OF WORKING

- Using a clean bucket.
- Pour APF into cold, clean water and stir to a homogenous mixture (speed mixer recommended, 600 rpm, 3 min)
- Then pour out the levelling compound and spread using a toothed trowel. It is possible to achieve an even surface without difficulties. It is usually not necessary to remove trowelling defects or to level more than once.
- In case of thick layers, protect vertical elements with isolating strip.
- If a second layer of levelling compound is to be applied, the first levelling compound layer should be primed with VD (1:1) or VD FIX, when dry. The combined layer thickness, must not exceed the given maximum layer of the leveling compound. The second layer may not exceed the layer thickness of the first.
- Carry out preparatory work such as filling joints, evening out hollows and unevenness using the sturdy repair mortar EF.
- Water-bearing pipes in metal must be sealed to avoid contact with the leveling compound, since for example galvanized steel pipes don't have sufficient corrosion protection.
- Protect curing APF from high ambient temperatures, direct sunlight and draughts.
- Clean tools with water.

#### SUBSTRATE PREPARATION

#### **REQUIREMENTS OF SUBSTRATE**

- Adequate strength, bearing strength, dimensional stability and permanent dry.
- Free of layers which reduce adhesion, e.g. dust, dirt, oil, fat, wax cleaning agents and loose particles.
- Separation layers, sinter layers, and other similar contamination should be removed through sanding, brushing, abrasive blast cleaning, milling or thorough cleaning.
- Old, loose and weak levelling layers should be removed mechanically.
- When installing floor coverings, the RH of the construction must not exceed 85 %.
- Layers of water-soluble adhesives, e.g. sulphite adhesives, should be removed completely.
- Old floors, such as ceramic tiles are to be thoroughly cleaned and sanded.
- OSB to be grinded intensively.
- Rooms that do not have a cellar underneath must to be sealed against rising dampness in compliance with the standard.
- The requirements specified in relevant valid standards, guidelines and specifications must be fulfilled.

#### SUBSTRATE QUALITY

#### APF is suitable on substrates like:

- Concrete
- Cement and rapid cement screeds
- Calcium sulphate based screeds
- Mastic asphalt screeds (sanded) IC 10 and IC 15 according to EN 13 813
- Old substrates with old water-resistant adhesive residues
- Old substrates such as ceramic tiles, natural stones and terrazzo
- Wooden substrates
- Gypsum boards

## **BASIS OF PRODUCT DATA**

All technical data stated in this Product Data Sheet are based on laboratory tests. Actual measured data may vary due to circumstances beyond our control.

## **LOCAL RESTRICTIONS**

Please note that as a result of specific local regulations the declared data for this product may vary from country to country. Please consult the local Product Data Sheet for the exact product data.



## **ECOLOGY, HEALTH AND SAFETY**

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

### **LEGAL NOTES**

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