

Globally Proven
Construction Solutions

# 1776 Grout Admix Plus

Designed for use with 1500 Sanded Grout and 1600 Unsanded Grout, 1776 Grout Admix Plus is used in place of water to provide a dense, colorfast grout joint that inhibits stain causing bacteria, mold and mildew growth. Ideal for all interior and exterior grout applications



# ADVANTAGES

- Equipped with anti-microbial technology.
- Easy to clean—cleans easily using a minimal amount of water
- Inhibits powdering and cracking—provides a denser and stronger Portland cement grout joint.
- Locks in grout color—reduces problems with faded or blotchy color in grouts.
- Water and frost resistant—prevents damage to grouts from weathering, frost and thermal shock.
- Reduces staining and absorption.
- Designed for interior and exterior use.
- "Extra Heavy Service" rating per TCNA performance levels (RE: ASTM C627 Robinson Floor Test).
- Improves flexibility and durability—makes grout more shock resistant

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## **USES**

- Used in place of water
- Improves the performance of portland cement grouts
- For all types of: ceramic tile, brick, marble and stone installations

## PACKAGING / COLOR

## Packaging,

Full Unit: 20 L pail; 36 pails per pallet Also available in 5 LTR / 1 LTR / 200 ML

#### Suitable Substrates,

All substrates suitable for Ceramic Tile and Stone

## **Approximate Coverage**

Per Full Unit - 13 - 20 m<sup>2</sup>

#### **Shelf Life**

Factory sealed containers of this product are guaranteed to be of first quality for five (5) years if stored indoors at temperatures 18- 26°C.

#### Limitations

- Not for use in areas exposed to harsh chemicals. Use LATAPOXY 2000 Industrial Epoxy Grout for chemical resistance.
- Adhesives/mastics, mortars and grouts for ceramic tile, pavers, brick and stone are not designed as replacements for waterproofing membranes. When a waterproofing membrane is required, use a LATICRETE® Waterproofing Membrane (see Section 10 FILING SYSTEMS).
- Certain types of tile may be stained by pigment during grouting. Prior to grouting, do a test area to verify cleanability of tile. A sealer or grout release may be required.

#### **Cautions**

Consult MSDS for more safety information

- During cold weather, protect finished work from traffic until fully cured.
- In submerged applications or steam rooms, allow 1776 Grout Admix Plus and LATICRETE Grout to cure for 14 days at 70°F (21°C) before filing water features with water or use of steam room. See TDS 192 for more information on these applications.
- Keep out of reach of children

#### **TECHNICAL DATA**

**Applicable Standard:** ANSI A118.7\* When mixed with 1500/1600 series grouts

## Working Properties at 21°C

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Pot Life	1 hour
Time to Foot Traffic	24 hours
Time to Heavy Traffic	72 hours
Wet Density	1860 kg/m3

## **Performance Properties**

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Test/Test Method	Results
Water Absorption ANSI A118.7-3.4	<5%
Compressive Strength ANSI A118.7-3.5	24.1 MPa
TCA Service Rating ASTM C-627	Extra Heavy
Linear Shrinkage ANSI A118.7-3.3	<0.1%

Specifications subject to change without notification. Results shown are typical but reflect test procedures used. Actual field performance will depend on installation methods and site conditions.

#### **INSTALLATION**

#### **Surface Preparation**

Before grouting, remove spacers and debris in grout joints and remove dust and dirt using a wet sponge. Do not leave water standing in joints. Substrate temperature must be between 4°C and 32°C. Apply grout release or sealer if necessary.

#### Mixing

Stir or shake LATICRETE 1776 Grout Admix Plus thoroughly before use. Add LATICRETE Sanded Grout or LATICRETE Unsanded Grout powder to proper amount of LATICRETE 1776 Grout Admix Plus and mix by hand or with a slow speed mixer (<300 RPM) to a smooth, stiff consistency.

#### **Application**

Dampen tile surface with water. Spread with a sharp, firm rubber grout float. Work the grout into the joints until completely filled. Use diagonal strokes to pack the joints. Insure that joint is filled and grout is not just sitting on top (i.e. "bridging the joint").

#### Cleaning

Grout Primary Cleaning - Remove excess grout from the face of the tiles with the edge of the grout float. Hold the float at a  $90^{\circ}$  angle and pull it at a  $45^{\circ}$  angle diagonally across the joints and tile to avoid pulling out the material. Let grouts firm up approximately 20-30 minutes.

**Grout Secondary Cleaning** - Remove remaining grout with a damp sponge (not wet) or a damp towel. Work diagonally to the joints. Allow to dry. When the grout joints are firm, polish the surface with a coarse nylon pad or coarse cloth and minimum water.

Note: Use caution when polishing soft glazed tiles or polished stone.

**Cold Weather Note:** low temperatures retard the setting of Portland cement grouts. Protect finished work for an extended period when installing in cold weather.

Hot Weather Note: The evaporation of moisture in Portland cement grouts is accelerated by hot, dry conditions. Apply grout to dampened surfaces and protect freshly spread grout and finished work when installing in temperatures over 35°C.

#### **AVAILABILITY AND COST**

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LATICRETE® materials are available worldwide. For distributor information, please contact LATICRETE Telephone: For on-line distributor information, visit www.laticrete.com

#### Cost

Contact a LATICRETE® closer distributor to obtain complete information and cost.

#### **WARRANTY**

LATICRETE Middle East LLC warrants that LATICRETE 1776 Grout Admix Plus is free from manufacturing defects and will not break down, deteriorate or disintegrate under normal usage for a period of two (2) years from manufacturing of the product subject to the terms and conditions stated in LATICRETE Product Warranty.

## **MAINTENANCE**

LATICRETE and LATAPOXY grouts require routine cleaning with a neutral pH soap and water. All other LATICRETE and LATAPOXY materials require no maintenance but installation performance and durability may depend on properly maintaining products supplied by other manufacturers.

#### **TECHNICAL SERVICES**

# **Technical assistance**

For information contact: enquiry@laticrete.me

## **Technical and safety literature**

To obtain technical and safety literature, please visit our website at www.laticrete.com

#### Warning

The information and the instructions in the data sheet, although based on knowledge gained through years of applications, are indicative. LATICRETE® unable to directly control the installation conditions and modalities of application of products, do not assume any liability arising from theirs implementation. Those who want to use the LATICRETE® products must conduct adequate tests to determine the site specifications. Results shown are typical but reflect test procedures used. Actual field performance will depend on installation method and site conditions.