



# MVIS™ Premium Pointing Mortar Base

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**Globally Proven  
Construction Solutions**



## 1. PRODUCT NAME

MVIS™ Premium Pointing Mortar Base

## 2. MANUFACTURER

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## 3. PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

MVIS Premium Pointing Mortar Base is a premium, factory-prepared, high performance & fast setting masonry pointing mortar that offers the industry's first dispersible dry pigment solution that can allow for a wide range of colors. It also provides a masonry pointing mortar joint that is dense, hard, and color consistent.

### Uses

For glazed or pre-sealed veneer, and other less porous finish materials with joint widths of 1/16" (1.5 mm) to 1/2" (12 mm).

### Advantages

- Mortar base and color pack delivery system - Inventory management efficiencies.
- 40 standard colors and ANYCOLOR™ color-match program -- Unlimited design flexibility.
- Consistent color and stain-resistance -- No blotchiness, resists efflorescence.

- Strong and durable, fiber-reinforced --Resists cracking and powdering.

### Suitable Substrates

### Packaging

50 lb (22.7 kg) bags

### Available in the following colors:

See MVIS color chart for available colors.

### Approximate Coverage

Coverage 700-760 linear ft. (214-232 linear m) with 1/4" (6 mm) deep by 3/8" (9 mm) wide joint.

### Shelf Life

Factory sealed containers of this product are guaranteed to be of first quality for one (1) year if stored off the ground in a dry area.

### Limitations

- Adhesives/mastics, mortars and grouts for Manufactured Masonry Veneer, pavers, brick and stone are not replacements for waterproofing membranes. When a waterproofing membrane is required, use MVIS Air & Water Barrier (see Section 10 FILING SYSTEM).
- Use MVIS Epoxy Pointing Mortar when chemical resistance is required.
- DO NOT use acid to clean colored pointing mortar joints.
- Job site conditions will affect the final color of MVIS Premium Pointing Mortar. Try a small test area to determine your results before pointing the entire installation.
- Certain types of natural cut stone, thin brick, and manufactured masonry veneer are more absorbent than others and will trap color pigment during pointing. Prior to pointing, test for absorption of color pigment. Porous masonry veneer units will need to be sealed prior to pointing.
- Selecting Other Pointing Materials: For joints ranging in widths from 1/2" to 1-1/4" (12 – 32mm) use MVIS Pointing Mortar.
- Note: Surfaces must be structurally sound, stable and rigid enough to support natural cut stone, thin brick,

and other masonry veneer finishes. Substrate deflection under all live, dead and impact loads of substrates must not exceed industry standards of L/600 for masonry veneer unit installations where L=span length. For exterior vertical installations over framed construction, the substrate deflection under all live, dead and impacted loads, including concentrated loads, must not exceed L/600 where L=span length.

#### Cautions

- Consult SDS for more safety information.
- During cold weather, protect finished work from traffic until fully cured.
- Contains portland cement and silica sand. Causes severe skin burns and serious eye damage. Wear protective gloves, protective clothing, and eye protection. In case of contact, flush thoroughly with water.
- Do not take internally. Silica sand may cause cancer, respiratory irritation, or serious lung problems. Do not breathe dust. Wear a respirator in dusty areas.
- Pointing mortar may scratch soft glazed or polished surfaces. Conduct a test area to verify results
- Keep out of reach of children.

#### 4. TECHNICAL DATA



#### VOC/LEED Product Information

This product has been certified for Low Chemical Emissions (ULCOM/GG UL2818) under the UL GREENGUARD Certification Program for Chemical Emissions for Building Materials, Finishes and Furnishings (UL 2818 Standard) by UL Environment.

#### Applicable Standard

- ASTM C91

#### Physical Properties

Tensile Strength (28 Days)	510 psi (3.5 MPa)
Compressive Strength (28 Days)	3500 psi (24.1 MPa)
Flexural Strength (28 Days)	1250 psi (8.62 MPa)
Linear Shrinkage (7 Days)	0.1 %
Water Absorption (28 Days)	2.8%

#### Working Properties

Pot Life	40-60 min at 70°F (21°C)
Final Set	3 hrs
Wet density	16.1 lb/gal. (1.93 g/cc)

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.

#### 5. INSTALLATION

##### • Surface Preparation

Before starting, remove spacers and debris in joints and remove dust and dirt using a wet sponge. Do not leave water standing in joints. Substrate temperature must be between 40°F (4°C) and 90°F (32°C). Apply grout release or sealer if necessary.

##### Mixing with LATICRETE® PERMACOLOR® Select Color Kits

Use 2 PERMACOLOR Select Color Kits (4 packets) per 50 lb (22.7 kg) bag. Use approximately 4 quarts (3.8 L) of clean potable water. Place water in a clean mixing container. Remove color packets from the cardboard container as well as the protective plastic sleeve. The internal bag is a water dispersible pack, drop all color packets directly into the water. Mix with a drill mixer until all pigment is dispersed evenly in container and the dispersible packets are no longer visible. Do not use with latex additive. Add MVIS™ Premium Pointing Mortar Base. Mix with a slow speed drill mixer (300 rpm) for 1 minute. Wait for 5 minutes and remix with drill for 1 minute. Please note that additional water may be necessary when using PERMACOLOR Select Color Kits.

##### Application

Dampen surface with water. Use either a trowel and tuck pointing tool or a mortar bag to place mortar. Once applied allow to firm to

“thumbprint” hardness, trowel, rake and/or brush to the desired finish.

*Note: If the pointing mortar begins to stiffen during installation, remix with drill mixer for 10–15 seconds. DO NOT ADD MORE WATER!*

- DS 2104.0: LATICRETE 15 Year System Warranty
- DS 0247: LATICRETE 25 Year System Warranty
- DS 273.0: MVIS Epoxy Pointing Mortar
- DS 228.0: MVIS Pointing Mortar
- DS 661.0: MVIS Air & Water Barrier

United States Invention Patent No.: 6,784,229 (and other Patents)

## 6. AVAILABILITY AND COST

### Availability

LATICRETE materials are available worldwide.

### For Distributor Information, Call:

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For on-line distributor information, visit LATICRETE at [laticrete.com](http://laticrete.com)

### Cost

Contact a LATICRETE Distributor in your area.

## 7. WARRANTY

See 10. FILING SYSTEM:

## 8. MAINTENANCE

LATICRETE pointing mortars require routine cleaning with a neutral pH cleaner (e.g. STONETECH® Stone & Tile Cleaner) and water. Routine maintenance can be done with detergents and a sponge or mop. For tough or difficult to remove soil, use STONETECH KLENZALL™ Cleaner (or a bleaching cleaner) on a nylon scrubbing pad or a long handled stiff bristle brush can be used. Please note: Prior to using any cleaning material on a tile, stone, etc. installation, test a discrete area or scrap piece of tile to ensure desired results. For additional information, please refer to the Grout Guide, TDS 400 and to TDS 113- Cement Grout Care & Maintenance for more information.

## 9. TECHNICAL SERVICES

### Technical Assistance

Information is available by calling the LATICRETE Technical Service Hotline:

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### Technical and Safety Literature

To acquire technical and safety literature, please visit our website at [laticrete.com](http://laticrete.com).

## 10. FILING SYSTEM

Additional product information is available on our website at [laticrete.com](http://laticrete.com). The following is a list of related documents:

- DS 230.13: LATICRETE Product Warranty

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