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Better World™**

# 315 Mortar

315 Mortar is a bagged polymer fortified cementitious powder to be mixed with either water or latex admixture for installing ceramic tile, porcelain tile and stone using the thin-set method.



## FEATURES/BENEFITS

- Dual purpose – for walls and floors
- Easy to use – Plastic Consistency
- Consistent quality, ready to use
- Proven performance

## USES

Designed for floors and walls, interior and exterior applications.

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## STANDARDS/CERTIFICATIONS

- BS EN 1348
- BS EN 1346
- ANSI A118.1, American National Standard Specifications for Modified Dry-Set Cement Mortar



This product has been certified green under UL GREENGUARD Certification Program and Singapore Green Building Council.

Suitable Substrates

- Cement Plaster
- Concrete
- Cement Terrazzo
- Cement Mortar Beds
- Gypsum Wallboard
- Ceramic Tile and Stone
- Cement Backer Board
- Brick or Concrete Masonry

Packaging

25kg bag, 80 bags per pallet.

Color

White and Grey

Coverage

25kg of 315 Mortar mixed with 6.0ℓ- 6.75ℓ of water will yield a coverage of 7.4m<sup>2</sup> - 8.8m<sup>2</sup> with 6mm x 6mm square notched trowel.

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, at temperatures >0°C and <40°C.

\* High humidity will reduce the shelf life of bagged product.

Limitations

- For light-colored finishes, use 315 Mortar in white.
- Adhesives/mastics, mortars and grouts for ceramic tile, pavers, brick, and stone are not designed as replacements for waterproofing membranes. When a waterproofing barrier is required, use a LATICRETE Waterproofing Membrane.
- For exterior use, fortify with LATICRETE Latex Admixture.
- Note: Surfaces must be structurally sound, stable, and rigid enough to support ceramic/stone tile, thin brick, and similar finishes. Substrate deflection under all live, dead and impact loads, including concentrated loads, must not exceed L/360 for thin bed ceramic tile/brick installations or L/480 for thin bed stone installations where L=span length.
- DO NOT bond to particle board, Luan, Masonite, or

hardwood surfaces.

Cautions

Consult MSDS for more safety information.

- Protect finished work from traffic or damage by other trades for an extended period of time during cold weather conditions.
- At room temperature conditions 21°C protect overnight.
- Contains Portland Cement and silica sand. May irritate eyes and skin. Avoid contact with eyes or prolonged contact with skin. In case of contact, flush thoroughly with water.
- DO NOT take internally. Silica sand may cause cancer or serious lung problems. Avoid breathing dust. Wear a respirator in dusty areas.
- Use a white mortar for white and light-colored marble and stone.
- Use LATAPOXY 300 Adhesive for installing green marble, water sensitive stone and agglomerates and resin backed tiles and stones.
- Keep out of reach of children.

TECHNICAL DATA

Performance Properties

315 Mortar when mixed with water.

Test	Test Method	Specification	Results
Tensile Adhesion Bond Strength (28 days)	EN 1348	≥0.5N/mm <sup>2</sup>	>1.4N/mm <sup>2</sup>
Tensile Adhesion after Water Immersion (28 days)	EN 1348	≥0.5N/mm <sup>2</sup>	>1N/mm <sup>2</sup>
Tensile Adhesion after Heat Ageing (28 days)	EN 1348	≥0.5N/mm <sup>2</sup>	>0.9N/mm <sup>2</sup>
Open Time (30 mins)	EN 1346	≥0.5N/mm <sup>2</sup>	>0.6N/mm <sup>2</sup>
Shear Bond Strength	ANSI A118.4	≥0.5N/mm <sup>2</sup>	>1.2N/mm <sup>2</sup>

Working Properties

315 Mortar when mixed with water.

Open Time (25°C)	20 minutes
Pot Life (25°C)	2 hours
Time to light traffic	24 hours

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

All surfaces should be between 8°C and 35°C and structurally sound, clean, and free of all dirt, oil, grease, paint, concrete sealers or curing compounds. Rough or uneven concrete surfaces should be made smooth with LATICRETE Latex Portland Cement Underlayment to provide a wood float (or better) finish. Dry, dusty concrete slabs or masonry should be dampened, and excess water swept off. Installation may be made on a damp surface. New concrete slabs shall be damp cured and 28 days old before application.

Note: Latex Portland cement mortars do not require a minimum cure time for concrete slabs. All slabs must be plumb and true to within 6mm in 3m. Expansion joints shall be provided through the tile work from all construction or expansion joints in the substrate. Follow ANSI specification A108.01-37 "Requirements for Movement Joints: Preparation by Other Trades" or TCNA detail EJ-171 "Movement Joints-Vertical & Horizontal". Do not cover expansion joints with mortar.

Installer must verify that deflection under all live, dead and impact loads of interior plywood floors does not exceed industry standards of L/360 for ceramic tile and brick or L/480 for stone installations where L=span length.

Minimum construction for interior plywood floors. SUBFLOOR: 15mm thick exterior glue plywood, either plain with all sheet edges blocked or tongue and groove, over bridged joints spaced 400mm o.c. maximum.

Fasten plywood 150mm o.c. along sheet ends and 200mm o.c. along intermediate supports with 8d ring-shank, coated or hot dip galvanized nails (or screws); allow 3mm between sheet ends and 6mm between edges; all sheet ends must be supported by a framing member; glues sheets to joints with construction adhesive.

UNDERLAYMENT: 15mm thick exterior glue plywood fastened 150mm o.c. along sheet ends and 200mm o.c. in the panel field (both directions) with 8d ring-shank, coated or hot dip galvanized nails (or screws); allow 3mm to 6mm between sheets and 6mm between sheet edges and any abutting surfaces; offset underlayment joints from joints in subfloor and stagger joints between sheet ends; glue underlayment to subfloor with construction adhesive. Refer to Technical Data Sheet 152 "Bonding

Ceramic Tile, Stone or Brick Over Wood Floors" for complete details.

### Mixing

Place clean, potable water or LATICRETE latex admix into a clean pail. Add 315 Mortar. Use approximately 6.0ℓ - 6.75ℓ of water for 25kg of powder. Please do not mix other aggregates such as cement or sand etc. to 315 Mortar.

Note: For improved bond strength, flexibility and for exterior installations, add LATICRETE Mortar Admix. For rapid "Open to Traffic" installation, use 101 Rapid Latex Admix. Mix by hand or with a slow speed mixer to a smooth, trowelable consistency. Allow mortar to slake for 3-5 minutes. Adjust consistency if necessary. Remix and apply with proper sized notched trowel.

### Application

Apply mortar to the substrate with the flat side of the trowel, pressing firmly to work into surface. Comb on additional mortar with the notched side.

Note: Use the proper sized notched trowel to ensure full bedding of the tile. Spread as much mortar as can be covered with tile in 15-20 minutes. Back butter large tiles 300mm x 300mm to provide full bedding and firm support. Place tiles into wet, sticky mortar and beat using a beating block and rubber mallet to embed tile and adjust level. Check mortar for complete coverage by periodically removing a tile and inspecting bedding mortar transfer onto back of tile. If mortar is skinned over (not sticky), remove, and replace with fresh mortar.

### Grouting

Grout installation can occur after a minimum of 24 hours curing time at 21°C. Grout with 1500 Sanded Grout or 1600 Unsanded Grout mixed with 1776 Grout Enhancer. For maximum stain resistance use SpectraLOCK® PRO Grout.

### Cleaning

Clean tools and tile work with water while mortar is fresh.

## 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 **ph.laticrete.com**

### Cost

Contact a LATICRETE Distributor in your area.

## WARRANTY

LATICRETE Philippines, Inc. warrants that 315 Mortar is free from manufacturing defects and will not break down, deteriorate, or disintegrate under normal usage for a period of one (1) year from date of purchase subject to terms and conditions.

## MAINTENANCE

LATICRETE and LATAPOXY grouts require 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/CONTACT

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