



Gyproc FibaTape® Self-Adhesive Drywall Tapes

Product Data Sheet

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Introduction

Overview

Gyproc FibaTape® Self-Adhesive Drywall Tapes are versatile, self-adhesive glass fibre meshed tapes. They are quick and easy to install and are ideal for use as a long lasting aid for strengthening repairs to plaster and jointing plasterboard. Within the range there are products to cover a number of different applications. All the products within the range are self-adhesive, and when applied flat and even across the surface they won't leave blisters and air bubbles. As they can be applied with minimal preparation it means the taping of joints is up to 30% quicker than using a standard paper joint tape. The tapes have a high reinforcing performance and are suitable for use with both Tapered and Square Edge plasterboards.

Applications

Gyproc FibaTape® Classic is a general purpose fiberglass mesh tape suitable for use in most applications.

Gyproc FibaTape® Xtreme has a higher level of adhesive tack making it great for environments that suffer from temperature variations. E.g. the colder winter months.

Gyproc FibaTape® Mold X has a special coating to repel fungus and black mold, which makes it ideal for use with MR plasterboards.

Gyproc FibaTape® Perfect Finish is an open meshed fiberglass tape that is 30% thinner than standard tapes making it perfect for use with square edge plasterboard and 'butt end' joints.

General product information

Product	Length	Width	Colour	Rolls per box
Gyproc FibaTape® Classic	90m	48mm	Blue	12
Gyproc FibaTape® Xtreme	90m	48mm	Orange	12
Gyproc FibaTape® Mold X	90m	48mm	Green	12
Gyproc FibaTape® Perfect Finish	90m	48mm	White	12

Installation

Background preparation

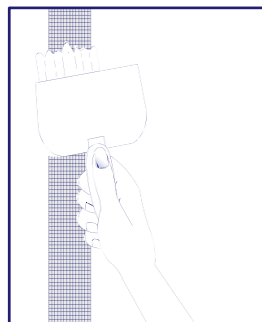
Ensure that the background is clean, dust free and dry. Minor defects such as paper scuffs and damage should be made good prior to application. Adequately ventilate to facilitate the drying of the finishing materials.

General application

When the tape is pulled from the roll it should be tacky to aid adhesion to the surface, especially when applied overhead. The adhesion performance is slightly improved in warmer conditions. It is advisable that once all areas have been taped, they are finished as soon as possible.

Plasterboard jointing

Apply the Gyproc FibaTape® along the centre of the plasterboard joint. Using a taping knife apply a suitable jointing compound over the tape in a band approx. 100mm wide. Remove any excess material and use to cover the tape. Allow the first coat to set / harden before applying the second coat. Finish the joint approx. 250mm wide. If further coats are required feather out beyond the previous coat to finish the joint approx. 300mm wide.



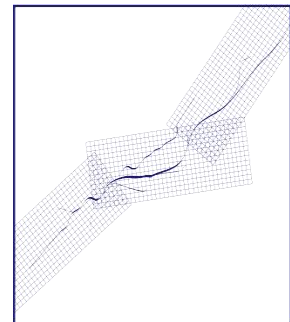
Square edged, butt or end joints should be finished approx. 600mm wide.

When taping inside corners or angles, create a light 'V' in the tape with your thumb and finger. Lay one side of the tape 'V' tightly against the corner on one wall and roll down the joint about 300mm.

Apply the other side of the 'V' to the other wall. Continue like this down the entire corner. When applying to internal corners, angle the jointing tool so that the excess filler 'flows' into the joint.

Repairing cracks larger than 6mm

Apply Gyproc FibaTape® Perfect Finish along the cracks. Keep the material tight across the gap and press firmly. Once applied, use a suitable Filling Knife or Jointing Tool to spread a layer of filler such as Gyproc Easi-Filler down the crack, working it through the mesh into the crevice.



Continue along the length of the crack, ensuring complete and even coverage across the tape. Feather out beyond the taped edges by at least 50mm (the wider you finish the easier it is to disguise the repaired crack). Finish with a wet knife or allow to dry and sand. More than one coat may be required. If so finish at least 50mm beyond the previous coats.

Note: Always clean tools in warm soapy water immediately after use.

Finishing

Drying

Allow to dry thoroughly before final sanding, ideally overnight. The temperature should be maintained at above 5°C until dry.

Decoration

Once the work has been completed it may be necessary to carry out some sanding. Once this has been completed, make sure the entire surface has been dusted down so that either a coat of Gyproc Drywall Primer or if wallpapering a coat of Gyproc Drywall Sealer may be applied (two coats will give a vapour barrier).

Note: New plasterboard should be sealed using Gyproc Drywall Primer or another suitable primer without delay, as the boards may discolour if exposed to direct sunlight.

Conditions

Storage

Gyproc FibaTape® Self-Adhesive Drywall Tapes, if stored correctly and unopened, should last a minimum of 12 months. After opening, it should ideally be used promptly so as not to expose it to the possibilities of damage and potential loss of adhesion.

Standards

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Health & Safety

It is important to observe appropriate Health and Safety practices, e.g. good lifting techniques when handling items as well as the wearing of appropriate protective clothing and the use of the right equipment.

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