

NOVABOND PS FLEX



Mortar for bonding and rendering thermal-insulation boards

- ▷ **Excellent workability**
 - ▷ **Ideal for rendering almost any type of thermal insulation board**
 - ▷ **For bonding insulation panels**
 - ▷ **Resistant to weather conditions**
 - ▷ **Suitable for various types of substrates**
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Description

NOVABOND PS FLEX is a fiber-reinforced thixotropic, cement-based mortar enriched with synthetic resins and special additives. It is suitable for bonding and combined with the fiberglass mesh NOVATHERM NET for rendering all types of thermal-insulating panels in External Thermal Insulation Composite Systems (ETICS). It is suitable for all common substrates in constructions.

Certifications

CE marking and Declaration of Performance (DoP) C07075-CRP-2050461 as general-purpose rendering/plastering mortar for internal and external use according EN 998-1.

Part of the NOVATHERM SYSTEM, External Thermal Insulation System, certified with CE marking according EAD 040083-00-0404.
Certificate number: 2884-CPR-00053

VOC emission classification GEV-Emicode EC1^{PLUS}, license number 11421/14.02.20

Uses

NOVABOND PS FLEX is suitable for bonding thermal insulating boards such as:

- Expanded and extruded polystyrene
- Expanded polyurethane
- Mineral fiber boards, rock wool

For levelling and rendering thermal insulating boards prior to the application of:

- Organic & inorganic plasters
- PLANOCOLOR GRANIT decorative coatings

For application in various substrates such as:

- Concrete, cement screeds, brick walls
- Renders and wall brick mortars
- Cement and gypsum boards (properly primed)

Technical Data

Product Identification

Consistency	Powder
Color	White, Grey
Chemical base	Portland cement, aggregates, special additives
Granulometry	D _{max} : 0,6 mm
Powder density	1,4 ± 0,1 kg/L

Application Data (+23°C % & 50% R.H.)

Mixing ratio	6,0-7,0 L water per 25 kg
Density of the mix	1,50 ± 0,05 kg/L
Dry mortar density	1,45 ± 0,05 kg/L
Pot life	4 hours
Application temperature	from +5°C up to +35°C

Final Performances according to EN 998-1:2016

Compressive strength	≥ 10 N/mm ²	EN 1015-11
Flexural strength	≥ 5 N/mm ²	EN 1015-11
Adhesion	≥ 1,0 N/mm ²	EN 1015-12
Water capillary absorption	≤ 0,20 kg/m ² ·min ^{0,5}	EN 1015-18
Water vapor diffusion coefficient (μ)	15	EN 1015-19
Thermal conductivity coefficient (λ _{10,dry,mat})	0,45 W/mk	EN 1015-10

Application Procedure

Substrate Preparation

Cement based substrates must be compact, without cracks, free of dust, salts, grease and any other materials that could reduce adhesion of NOVABOND PS FLEX to them. Existing cracks on the substrate should be patched up with the fluid epoxy resin NOVAMIX EPO FLUID. On the still fresh NOVAMIX EPO FLUID surface, scatter NOVAMIX S 500 silica sand or similar to create a mineral surface. Concrete substrates should be mechanically prepared, for example, by grinding to achieve a uniform surface of open porosity without protruding edges. For gypsum-based substrates, it is necessary to prime the substrate with NOVAPRIMER prior to the rendering of the insulating boards. Non-absorbent substrates are recommended to be primed with PLANO CONTACT or PLANO BOND.

In case the application is done upon absorbent substrates such as concrete, cement screeds etc. properly saturate the substrate with water, avoiding the presence of standing water. For additional information, refer to the corresponding Technical Data Sheets of the products.

Preparation of the mix

Mix the contents of a NOVABOND PS FLEX (25 kg) bag with 6,0 – 7,0 liters of clean water by means of an electric stirrer at low speed (500 rpm) for at least 3 - 5 minutes. Mixing should be done until a uniform mix free of lumps is obtained. The product is ready for use. The mixture has a pot life of approximately 4 hours. During hot weather it is advised not to expose the materials before their use in the sun (powder and mixing water) otherwise the open time of the mixture is reduced. In any case, avoid mixing by hand.

Application

On flat substrates apply NOVABOND PS FLEX as adhesive mortar directly onto the back of the thermal insulation board with a trowel. With a toothed trowel spread evenly the adhesive so that the back side of the board is totally covered with mortar, throughout the surface. On uneven substrates, apply the mortar by using a trowel pointing to the center and the perimeter of the thermal insulating board.

By applying firm pressure, place the thermal insulating board in the correct position. When NOVABOND PS FLEX is applied as a levelling coating, spread the mortar over the entire surface with a toothed trowel and in the fresh layer incorporate the fiberglass mesh NOVATHERM NET. Ensure an overlapping of $\geq 10\text{cm}$ between the rolls of the mesh. Integration of the NOVATHERM NET must be performed as long as the mix is still fresh with the flat side of the trowel.

Recommendations

- Do not apply when ambient temperature is less than +5°C or higher than +35°C
- Do not exceed 10 mm of thickness in one single layer
- Do not apply upon metal, wood or deformable surfaces
- Do not apply upon surfaces such as polyurethane coatings, paints, acrylics and substrates subjected to big movements

- Do not apply upon PVC and bitumen membranes and in general materials which polymerize in the long run
- Do not apply upon loose substrates or substrates not properly cured
- Do not apply upon non-absorbent substrates not properly primed
- Do not apply upon existing expansion or movement joints of the substrate
- Do not apply the mixture under direct sunlight exposure and/or strong winds
- Do not exceed the recommended quantity of mixing water
- Protect the application surface from rain or frost the first 24 hours
- Do not add cement, gypsum, lime or other materials that might affect the properties of the mortar
- The application must be performed by a professional installer

Consumption

For bonding thermal insulation boards

Spot bonding: 2-4 kg/m²

Applied evenly covering the back of the insulation board: 4-6 kg/m²

For smoothing and covering of the thermal insulation boards

1,4 kg/m² per mm of thickness, recommended total thickness 4 mm in two layers and by incorporating fiberglass mesh NOVATHERM NET.

Cleaning

Tools, buckets, coverings etc. can be cleaned with water as long as NOVABOND PS FLEX is still moist. Once the material dries, cleaning can be done only by mechanical means.

Storage

NOVABOND PS FLEX remains stable for 12 months from the production date in the original sealed packaging stored in a dry place and temperatures between +5°C and +35°C.

Packaging

Paper bags of 25 kg

Safety Instructions

For information and instructions regarding disposal and safe handling, users should refer to the latest Safety Data Sheet of the product containing ecological, toxicological and other safety-related data.

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