



## Cork-a-Bond CORK TILE ADHESIVE

THIS ADHESIVE DOES NOT PERMIT CORK TILE SHRINKAGE AND IS SUITABLE FOR ALL FLOOR AND WALL TILES THAT HAVE A NATURAL CORK BACK.

### Fixing Instructions:

1. Sub-floor and wall preparations is very important and should be carried out strictly in accordance with tile manufacturers instructions to give a smooth, level and **absolutely dry** surface. New concrete floors should be left for at least **6 weeks** to dry out and all solid floors must have an effective damp proof membrane. When a damp proof membrane is used apply on top a levelling compound in a minimum layer thickness of 3 mm. **Do not** prime sub-floor as adhesive needs some absorbency.
2. Cork tiles and adhesive must be **stored** and **fixed** in warm, dry living conditions. Ensure that the tiles and adhesive have been thus stored for **48 hours before fixing** them.
3. Apply adhesive to wall or floor with V-notched spreader (V notches 2.3mm deep x 4.8mm centres), spread evenly over area of about 1/2 sq. mt. at a time (do not apply adhesive to back of tile).
4. **Immediately** press tiles firmly and evenly into wet adhesive pushing the tiles together so as to visually minimise the joins. Open time is about 10 mins. Scrape off the floor any adhesive not still wet; apply fresh adhesive.
5. **After about 20 mins.** and again 1 hour later press all the tiles firmly into the adhesive to ensure a good bond has developed over the whole area. **IMPORTANT:** use a **wallpaper roller** to make sure the tile joins are level.
6. Do not fix cork tiles in excessively **low temperatures** or **damp** conditions. If surface or atmosphere is still damp the adhesive may not set hard and tiles may distort.
7. This adhesive is very good with **underfloor heating** and areas such as a **chimney breast** where other types of adhesive would allow shrinkage of the tiles. Leave heating off for **48 hours before and after** fixing tiles.
8. Adhesive **stains** can be removed immediately with warm water.
9. **Cork tiles removal:** This adhesive can be softened with a steam wallpaper stripper and cleanly scraped off the surface. This feature is unique to this adhesive.
10. In **bathrooms** a bead of sealant should be applied where cork floor tiles meet wall, wc pan, bath panel etc. Make sure cork tiles are properly sealed against water penetration.
11. This adhesive is **NOT** suitable for bonding to existing cushion-backed vinyl flooring.
12. **Non porous surface** e.g. ceramic tiles, PVC tiles, old adhesive etc. apply a levelling compound in a minimum layer thickness of 3 mm before laying cork tiles.
13. If cork tiles are to be **sealed**, leave for **24 hours after** fixing for adhesive to harden.

**Note:** These fixing instructions are to be read in conjunction with those given with the cork tiles.

If in doubt ask for 'Cork-a-bond' data sheet no. 5.

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Health and safety at work.  
This adhesive is non-toxic,  
non-flammable and safe in  
normal use.  
Good hygienic practice  
would include keeping out  
of eyes and not consum-  
ing. Keep away from  
children and pets.  
In case of spillage, remove  
with warm water  
immediately.

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