

# MAPEI SM Primer Fast

Fast-Tacking, Water-Based Primer for MAPEI Peel-and-Stick Membranes



## DESCRIPTION

MAPEI SM Primer™ Fast is a ready-to-use, fast-drying, quick-tacking, water-based, pressure-sensitive, nonhydrolyzable latex primer for use under MAPEI's peel-and-stick sheet membranes on residential and commercial indoor or outdoor floors. MAPEI SM Primer Fast greatly increases the bond of MAPEI's peel-and-stick sheet membranes to concrete, plywood and other approved, properly prepared floors. It can be applied with a roller or brush, is white in color and dries clear.

## FEATURES AND BENEFITS

- Fully compatible with MAPEI's peel-and-stick sheet membranes
- Easy to apply with roller or brush
- High coverage rate, for economical installation
- Fast-drying, allowing sheet membrane installation after about 15 minutes
- Dries clear, so that layout lines remain visible after application
- Bonds to a variety of substrates

## WHERE TO USE

- Either MAPEI SM Primer Fast or MAPEI SM Primer is required when installing MAPEI's peel-and-stick sheet membranes.
- For specific uses, see individual Technical Data Sheets (TDSs) for MAPEI peel-and-stick sheet membranes.

## LIMITATIONS

- The surface temperature of the prepared substrate must be at least 5 degrees Fahrenheit (2.8 degrees Celsius) above the dew point at the time of application to avoid condensation on the substrate as *MAPEI SM Primer Fast* dries.
- Do not apply to substrates containing asbestos.
- Do not dilute with any other liquid.
- For specific limitations, see individual TDSs for MAPEI peel-and-stick sheet membranes.
- This product is not for use: over substrates subject to hydrostatic pressure or moisture content in excess of 8 lbs. per 1,000 sq. ft. (3.63 kg per 92.9 m<sup>2</sup>) per 24 hours using a calcium chloride test kit (ASTM 1869); over cracks subject to “out-of-plane” vertical movement; where crack movement is greater than 3/8" (10 mm); over expansion or control joints; or in areas of prolonged water exposure and water immersion (such as swimming pools, spas, steam rooms, gang showers, hot tubs and fountains).

## SUITABLE SUBSTRATES

- Fully cured concrete (at least 28 days old)
- Cement mortar beds and leveling coats
- Cement backer units (CBUs) – see manufacturer’s installation guidelines
- Terrazzo floors, and well-bonded ceramic tile and natural stone; and vinyl composition tile (VCT)
- APA and CANPLY Group 1 exterior-grade plywood (interior residential and light commercial floor and countertop installations in dry conditions only). See TCNA Handbook for additional information and the statement regarding deflection criteria.
- For additional information, see the latest TDSs for MAPEI peel-and-stick sheet membranes.

Consult MAPEI’s Technical Services Department for installation recommendations regarding substrates and conditions not listed.

## SURFACE PREPARATION

- All suitable substrates must be smooth, structurally sound and free of any substance that could prevent adhesion.
- Do not use chemical means (acid etching or stripping) to prepare approved substrates. Use mechanical methods only.
- To remove any bond-inhibiting materials, concrete substrates should be mechanically cleaned and prepared by diamond-cup grinding or other engineer-approved methods to obtain the International Concrete Repair Institute (ICRI) concrete surface profile (CSP) of #2. When concrete requires more mechanical preparation, the profile will typically increase. In such cases, the surface can be made smooth by applying coats of MAPEI’s exterior-rated patch.
- For other important surface preparation instructions, see individual TDSs for MAPEI peel-and-stick sheet membranes. For other details, see the “Surface preparation requirements” reference guide in the Tile & Stone Installation Systems section of MAPEI’s Website, or contact MAPEI’s Technical Services Department.

## PRODUCT APPLICATION

Read all installation instructions thoroughly before installation.

1. When substrate and ambient temperatures are between 40°F and 95°F (4°C and 35°C), apply primer to the clean substrate with a roller or brush to achieve full substrate coverage. Do not dilute the primer.
2. Protect the adjacent substrate where primer is not desired.
3. Let dry about 10 to 15 minutes (or until tacky) before installing the membrane, but do not wait longer than 3 hours before membrane application. For complete instructions, see TDSs for MAPEI peel-and-stick membranes.

## CLEANUP

- To remove excess *MAPEI SM Primer Fast* from tools, equipment or other nonporous surfaces, use water while the material is still fresh or mineral spirits once it has dried.

## PROTECTION

- Do not allow *MAPEI SM Primer Fast* to freeze.
- Do not store *MAPEI SM Primer Fast* in direct sunlight.
- Protect *MAPEI SM Primer Fast* from spills, contamination and damage before and during peel-and-stick membrane application to ensure a positive bond with the membrane.

### Shelf Life and Application Properties

at 73°F (23°C) and 50% relative humidity

Color	White (dries clear)
Shelf life	1 year (when stored in original, unopened container) between 40°F and 95°F (4°C and 35°C)
Storage	Store in a cool, dry place.
Application temperature range	40°F and 95°F (4°C and 35°C) with dew point restriction
VOCs (compliant with Rule 1113 of California's SCAQMD)	59 g per L
Drying time before installing MAPEI peel-and-stick membranes	10 to 15 minutes (or until clear and tacky) depending on temperature, humidity and substrate porosity)
Flammability	Nonflammable

## Packaging and Approximate Coverage\*

Size	Coverage
Jug: 1 U.S. gal. (3.79 L) – 4 jugs per case	300 to 350 sq. ft. (27.9 to 32.5 m <sup>2</sup> )
Pail: 5 U.S. gals. (18.9 L) – USA only	1,500 to 1,750 sq. ft. (139 to 163 m <sup>2</sup> )

\* Coverage shown is for estimating purposes only.

## RELATED DOCUMENTS

- Reference guide: “Surface preparation requirements” for tile and stone installation systems\*\*

\*\*At [www.mapei.com](http://www.mapei.com)

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Refer to the SDS for specific data related to health and safety as well as product handling.

For information on MAPEI’s commitment to sustainability and transparency, as well as how MAPEI products may contribute to green building standards and certification systems, contact [sustainability\\_USA@mapei.com](mailto:sustainability_USA@mapei.com) (USA) or [sustainability-durabilite@mapei.com](mailto:sustainability-durabilite@mapei.com) (Canada).

## WARNING

The test results shown in the TECHNICAL DATA table were obtained in compliance with test methods and curing cycles, if applicable, defined in the industry standards referenced on the Technical Data Sheet. Please note that the use of test procedures or methods other than those indicated in the table could lead to different values and that, in such cases, any liability of our company is excluded.

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