



257 SISAL ADHESIVE



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TECHNICAL DATA:

- **FREEZE-THAW STABILITY:** Stable for 5 cycles to 10°F. **DO NOT STORE OUTDOORS.** If frozen thaw completely at room temperature. Determine suitability of the adhesive before attempting to complete the installation.
- **SHELF LIFE:** Minimum one year at 70°F
- **OPEN TIME:** Approximately 20 - 30 minutes depending on temperature, humidity, substrate, and trowel size.
- **COLOR:** Off-White
- **FLAMMABILITY:** Nonflammable
- **PACKAGING:** 4 Gallon Pails

WARRANTY: Limited Warranty

LIMITATIONS: Do not use outdoors. For interior use only.

CAUTION: Contains mineral spirits. **Use in well ventilated areas only.** Avoid prolonged contact with skin, and breathing of vapors. Maintain vapor concentrations below OSHA permissible exposure limits. See MSDS for more information. **KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN.** This product is non-photochemically reactive, per SCAQMD rule 102. [Refer to Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS) for further information.]

DESCRIPTION

Sisal Adhesive with **ECOPROTEK®** anti-microbial protection is the only approved adhesive for reversible sisal wall covering. Failure to use the specified adhesive will relieve manufacturer and distributor of all responsibility.

SISAL WALLCOVERING:

Allow wallcovering to acclimate to the working conditions (temperature and humidity) of the job site for 24 hours before installation.

DIRECTIONS

SUBSTRATE PREPARATION:

For proper results, the room, wall covering, and adhesive should be a minimum of 65°F for 24 hours before and 48 hours after installation. Apply only to structurally sound interior surfaces such as drywall, plaster, wallboard, plywood, concrete block, or masonry wall, etc. All grease, oil, lint, dust,

loose scaly paint, wax, and/or old adhesive must be removed. Walls should be cleaned, primed or painted, before applying adhesive. Old wallpaper and/or vinyl wallcovering should be removed.

CONCRETE BLOCK OR MASONRY WALLS: Concrete curing compounds and parting compounds used in some construction will interfere with adhesion and any remaining residue must be removed. A moisture test should be made. It is impossible to tell the moisture content just by looking. A moisture meter is required for accurate measurement. Porosity also affects the adhesive bond. All areas must be primed with a good water-based primer-sealer 24 hours prior to hanging sisal.

INSTALLING SISAL: When applying Sisal Adhesive to the wall use recommended trowel sizes. Coverage on any smooth surface is approximately 55-60 square feet per gallon. On irregular surfaces, such as acoustical surfaces or concrete block, coverage is approximately 35-40 square feet per gallon. Adhesive must completely cover walls or bubbles and/or delaminating will occur.

Observe the open time of Sisal Adhesive under job conditions. Be watchful of vents, doorways, and open windows that can effect drying time of some areas differently than others.

For best results, leave approximately one inch of sisal longer than the wall for trimming. Use a good quality carpet knife or utility knife with a fresh blade to make cuts. Be sure to change blades frequently.

With the proper amount of adhesive applied to the wall take the sisal to the starting point and unroll on the wall. Position the sisal using a knee kicker. Once positioned, take a hand held carpet roller and roll the entire strip of sisal to the wall.

Pre-crease outside corners for secure fit. Set sisal approximately 1/4" from inside corners, door jams, ceilings, trim, etc., and gently place in position using a knee kicker.

Sisal wallcovering may be installed by either "railing" (ribs running vertically) or "paneling" (ribs running horizontally). Either installation can be used successfully: the correct method is generally dictated by the layout of the walls to be covered. The installation with the fewest seams is generally the best installation.

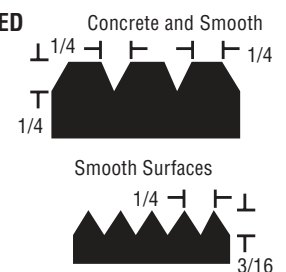
FOR COMPLETE INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS, CONTACT YOUR MANUFACTURER OR DISTRIBUTOR.

CLEAN UP

If adhesive gets on the surface of the sisal, let dry for 36 hours and pick out with a dull knife. Do NOT wipe off, this will cause the adhesive to be pushed into the fibers. Excess fresh adhesive should be removed immediately with a damp cloth from tools. If the cement dries, a white cotton cloth dampened with mineral spirits should be used to remove it. Be careful. **Mineral spirits are flammable. Vapors are harmful and can explode violently and cause flash fires. These vapors will concentrate in low lying areas. Use with adequate ventilation, and eliminate all sources of ignition. Do not smoke while using solvents. Place solvent soaked cloth outdoors out of reach of children and pets to dry before disposing of them.**

INGREDIENTS	CAS#
Water	7732-18-5
Calcium Carbonate	1317-65-3
Mineral Spirits	8052-41-3
Ethylene Glycol	107-24-1
Modified Acrylic Polymer	Proprietary

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