

## Wet Area Base Coat

Wet Area Base Coat is a heavy weight pre-mixed, low VOC jointing compound with excellent tape adhesion to provide joint strength. Used for the first and second coat in a three-coat jointing system, its moisture resistance makes it the perfect choice for joints in wet areas.

## Recommended Use

Gyprock Wet Area Base Coat is ideal for joints in moisture resistant systems such as bathrooms, wet areas and laundries. It is suitable for the tape coat and second coat in a three-coat plasterboard jointing system for residential and commercial walls and ceilings. Wet Area Base Coat is the recommended product when jointing Fibre Cement sheets or AFS Logicwall. To achieve the ultimate joint finish, it is recommended Wet Area Base Coat is used in conjunction with Gyprock Topping or All-Purpose compounds. No topping compound is required if Wet Area Base is being used as a substrate for tiles.

## Important

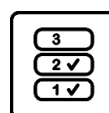
- Do not use Wet Area Base Coat as a finish coat.
- Allow Wet Area Base Coat to dry completely in between coat applications.
- Do not apply a setting type compound over Wet Area Base Coat.
- If liquid has separated from compound, re-mix before use
- Take care in the application of Wet Area Base Coat to minimise the use of excess material, in order to reduce the need for sanding.
- Wet Area Base Coat should not be used when the interior lining temperature is less than 8°C
- Always use clean tools.
- Ensure surfaces are free from dust or dirt.

## Storage

Store buckets of compound in a dry environment out of direct sunlight. Remove lid and stir prior to use. Unused product should be stored by resealing the original bucket. Remix prior to use. Discard if drying has commenced.



## Product Features



### First and Second Coats

Suitable for the tape coat and second coat



### Pre-mixed

Quick to prepare and easy to apply



### Moisture Resistant

Suitable for use in wet areas



### Hand and Machine Tool Applied

Hand or machine tool applied.



### Australian Made

Licensed by Australian Made Campaign Ltd

Wet Area Base Coat Specifications	
Feature	Description
Colour	Off White
Coverage	30kg/100m <sup>2</sup>
Packaging	15kg Re-sealable pail
Shelf Life	12 months from date of manufacture
Specific Gravity	1.4 – 1.8
VOC Content (as specified by GBCA)	8g/L as VOC content per material
Product Manufacture	Gyprock Wet Area Base Coat is manufactured by CSR Gyprock in Australia and made to stringent product specifications.

## Plasterboard Finishing

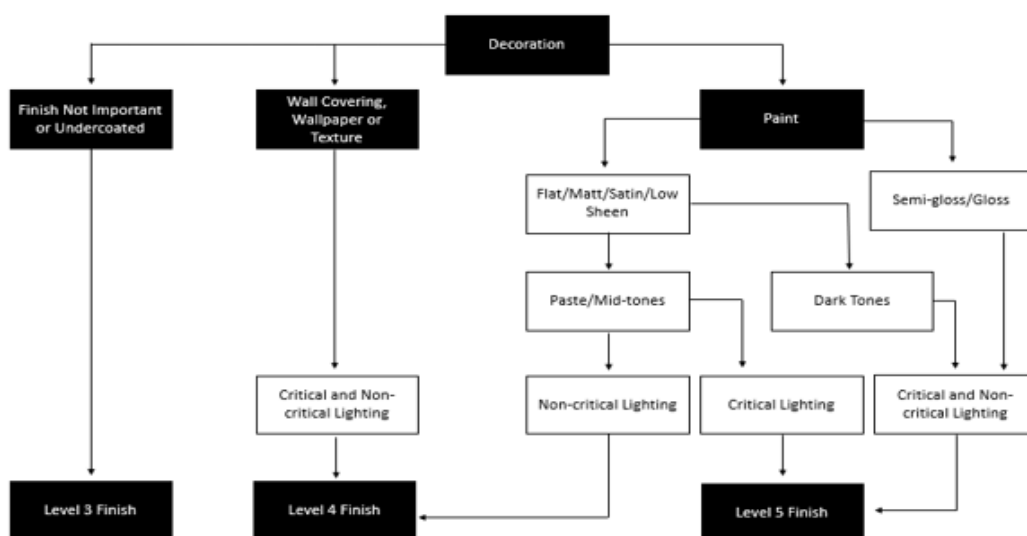
Jointing and finishing of Gyprock plasterboard interior installations is to be carried out in accordance with **FIGURE 1** and **TABLE 1** in this document, and the following details, so as to provide a smooth surface for decorating. Stopping and external corner beads are to be applied to all edges subject to damage. A Level 4 Finish is generally the accepted level of finish for residential construction as detailed in AS/NZS2589.1 and is also recommended for commercial construction. This requires a three-coat system, consisting of:

- Tape and tape coat
- Second coat and
- Finish (or topping) coat.

For tiled areas, installation should be to a Level 3 Finish.

For areas subject to direct exposure of water such as shower, baths and basins, it is still recommended to apply a waterproof membrane over Ultra-Base MR 60. Wet Area Base Coat is the superior jointing product when jointing Fibre Cement sheets or AFS Logicwall.

**FIGURE 1: SELECTING A LEVEL OF FINISH**



**TABLE 1: JOINTING COMPOUND SELECTION – HAND OR MECHANICAL**

Tape Coat Any of the following:		Second Coat Any of the following:		Finish Coat Any of the following:	
Product	Recoat Time	Product	Recoat Time	Product	Recoat Time
Base Coat 20*	35 mins	Base Coat 20*	35 mins	Jointmaster	24 hr
Base Coat 45*	60 mins	Base Coat 45*	60 mins	Ultra-Top	24 hr
Base Coat 60*	80mins	Base Coat 60*	80mins	Gold	24 hr
Base Coat 90*	120mins	Base Coat 90*	120mins	Easy-Finish	24 hr
Ultra-Base MR 60*	75 mins	Ultra-Base MR 60*	75 mins	Easy-Flow	24 hr
Easy Base	24 hr	Easy Base	24 hr	Less Mess Multi-Purpose	24 hr
Less Mess Multi-Purpose	24 hr	Less Mess Multi-Purpose	24 hr		
Easy- Flow	24 hr	Easy-Flow	24 hr		
Wet Area Base Coat	12-24 hr	Wet Area Base Coat	12-24 hr		

\*Setting type compound. Do not use a setting compound over a drying type compound.  
For protected exterior applications, use Wet Area Base Coat or Ultra-Base MR 60 for tape and second coat, followed by a Gyprock Finish Coat.

## Hand Application

### Bedding Coat

1. Fill recess evenly and fully with compound.
2. Bed in Gyprock Perforated Paper Tape centrally over the joint and cover lightly with compound. Ensure at least 1mm thickness of compound is under the tape.
3. Bed tapes to butt joints and internal corner angles.
4. Cover all metal beads and fastener heads.
5. Allow compound to dry and harden for 12-24 hours before re-coating.

### Second Coat

1. Apply a second coat of Wet Area Base Coat to:
  - a) Recessed edge joints to a width of about 180mm.
  - b) Butt joints to a width of about 400mm.
  - c) Metal corner beads to a width of about 200mm.
  - d) Fastener heads.
2. Allow adequate time before recoating:
  - a) No topping coat is required in tiled areas.
  - b) If a topping coat is required, allow sufficient drying time between the second and the top coat. At 23 degrees, 50% relative humidity this would be a minimum of 3 hours. More time would be required for drying if the temperature is lower or the relative humidity is higher.

### Finishing Coat

If required, a third or top coat of any Gyprock topping or all purpose compounds should be applied.

### Installing to Standards

Installing to Standards AS/NZS2589: Gypsum linings – Application and Finishing outlines the procedures for jointing and finishing of Gyprock plasterboard in conjunction with additional details contained in Gyprock Technical Literature.



Licensed by Australian  
Made Campaign  
Limited to use the  
Australian Made Logo.

## Health and Safety

Refer to the Safety Data Sheet for this product which is available from [www.gyprock.com.au](http://www.gyprock.com.au) or contact:

CSR Gyprock  
Trinity 3, 39 Delhi Rd, North Ryde NSW 2113  
Australia Phone: **131 744**  
New Zealand Phone: **0800 277 123**

## Resources

For further information on this product please visit [www.gyprock.com.au](http://www.gyprock.com.au) or refer to the Gyprock Red Book. For technical support, contact:

**DESIGNLINK™**

PHONE: 1800 621 117

## Manufactured For Life Warranty

Gyprock products are manufactured for life with all CSR products designed to achieve optimal performance when part of a CSR integrated system. Gyprock continues to lead the market with premium quality products which are the preferred choice of plastering professionals. Gyprock plasterboard products are manufactured to the Australian Standards AS2588 providing confidence in quality of product and support. For details on our product warranty, please log onto [www.gyprock.com.au/warranty](http://www.gyprock.com.au/warranty), or contact us on **1300 306 556**.



Gyprock plasterboard products are manufactured for life with all CSR products designed to achieve optimal performance when part of a CSR integrated system.