

# SikaCeram<sup>®</sup> LatexGrout

Synthetic rubber latex for cementitious grouting compounds

## Positioning

### Description

SikaCeram LatexGrout is a water based emulsion of synthetic resins and specific additives. It should be used instead of mixing water for blending the SikaCeram grouting range (SikaCeram SmallGrout, SikaCeram MediumGrout, SikaCeram LargeGrout, SikaCeram CleanGrout), achieving greater tightness and resistance, and less porosity and absorption.

### Uses

- Ceramic floors subjected to intensive pedestrian traffic
- Ceramic cladding fixed on wood
- Ceramic cladding installed outdoors or in swimming pools
- Floorings subjected to frequent and thorough washing, such as bathrooms, showers in gymnasiums, sports centers, etc.

### Advantages

- Increases the bond to the tile
- Increases the surface hardness
- Increases the flexibility
- Increases the mechanical strength
- Reduces the absorption

## Product Data

### Packaging:

1 kg bottle (0.926 litres) and a 5 kg can (4.63 litres).

### Storage & Shelf Life:

12 months in the original packaging, in a dry environment, protected from frost and high temperatures.

## Technical Data

### Appearance

White liquid emulsion

### Density

1.08 kg/l approx.

### pH

7.5

### Flammability

No

### Consumption per whole Bag of grout

*Product to be mixed*

*Quantity of SikaCeram LatexGrout*

SikaCeram CleanGrout:

1.4 litres per 5 kg bag

SikaCeram SmallGrout:

1.9 litres per 5 kg bag

SikaCeram MediumGrout:

6.5 litres per 25 kg bag

SikaCeram MediumGrout:

1.3 litres per 5 kg bag

SikaCeram LargeGrout:

5.5 litres per 25 kg bag

## Application Conditions

### Method of use

#### **Mixing procedure**

SikaCeram LatexGrout must be used instead of water to mix the cementitious grouting. The amount of latex to be added to the grout varies depending on the fineness of the powder. Refer to the above table. The mixture must be creamy and easily applied by a rubber trowel.

Once the grouting has been completed, no traces of grouting compound or latex must be left on the tile, as it would be very difficult to clean or remove once dried. SikaCeram LatexGrout, when used instead of water, does not alter the grouting colour in any way.

It is not recommended that tiles grouted with SikaCeram LatexGrout are grouted alongside tiles grouted with water, as the different porosities of the two hardened grouts would be noticeable.



**Notes on Application / Limitations**

- Do not use on materials with absorbent surfaces like *Cotto Toscano*, or similar. In this case, blend the mixture with water only.
- Do not use under direct sunlight during application.
- Do not use to fill expansion joints or gaps subject to strong movement. In this case, use Sikasil Color in conjunction with Sika PEF Backing Rod.

**Notes**

All technical data stated in this Product Data Sheet are based on tests. Actual measured data may vary due to circumstances beyond our control.

**Local Restrictions**

Please note that as a result of specific local regulations the performance of this product may vary from country to country. Please consult the local Product Data Sheet for the exact description of the application fields.

**Health & Safety Information****Protective Measures**

- To avoid allergic reactions, we recommend the use of protective gloves. Change soiled work clothes and wash hands before breaks and after finishing work.
- Local regulations as well as health and safety advice on packaging labels must be observed.
- For further information refer to the Sika Material Safety Data Sheet which is available on [www.sika.co.nz](http://www.sika.co.nz), or on request.
- If in doubt always follow the directions given on the pack or label.

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