

ARDEX AF 180 MS

One-Component Heavy Duty Adhesive

MS Polymer adhesive for resilient floor coverings, VCT and LVT

Moisture, weather and water resistant

Suitable for internal and external use

High temperature resistance - for use in areas of direct sunlight

Very high bond strength

Very low emissions

Solvent free

Covers up to 40m²



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DESCRIPTION

ARDEX AF 180 MS is a solvent free, low odour, wet bond MS Polymer based floor covering adhesive. ARDEX AF 180 MS is protected from biodegradation and has good resistance to plasticiser migration.

ARDEX AF 180 MS is considered Low VOC and meets the requirement guidelines for the EMICODE licence 'EC1 PLUS R', achieving very low emission limits.

USE

ARDEX AF 180 MS is ideal for internal and external installation of all LVT, resilient floor coverings, linoleum, rubber and artificial grass in their respective intended commercial or domestic applications. ARDEX AF 180 MS can be used directly over ARDEX PU 30 Rapid and ARDEX levelling and smoothing compounds in both commercial and domestic applications.

ARDEX AF 180 MS is suitable for use with chairs fitted with caster wheels

PRIMING

Priming is not required.

SUBSTRATE PREPARATION

The subfloor must dry, with a relative humidity of 75% RH or below. Where the subfloor has a relative humidity greater than 75% RH or where an effective damp proof membrane is not present contact ARDEX Technical Services for the correct product selection.

The surface being adhered to must be clean, firm and free dust, dirt, oil, grease, curing compounds, release agents and other barrier materials. The surface being adhered to must also be sound and smooth in accordance with the relevant clauses of AS 1884:2012.

Any dust should be removed using suitable vacuum equipment, prior to applying ARDEX AF 180 MS, as it can affect both the coverage and performance of the adhesive.

Uneven subfloors should be levelled with the appropriate ARDEX levelling, patching and smoothing compounds.

Joints, nail holes and imperfections in plywood, or minor surface damage to existing levelling and smoothing compounds i.e. footprints or trowel marks, may be presmoothed and levelled prior to the application of ARDEX AF 180 MS.

Fabricated underlays such as flooring grade plywood, should be installed where required over existing timber bases. Wood-based fabricated underlays should be suitable for the floor covering and be at the equilibrium moisture content they will have in service at the time they

are covered. Light organic solvent preservative (LOSP) treated plywood is not a suitable substrate.

MIXING

ARDEX AF 180 MS is ready for use and does not require mixing.

APPLICATION

The installation area and subfloor should be kept at the recommended temperature as specified by the floor covering manufacturer and the relevant clauses of AS 1884:2012. These temperatures need to be maintained 48 hours prior to installation, during installation, and 48 hours after installation.

ARDEX AF 180 MS should be applied evenly to the suitably prepared substrate using the appropriate serrated trowel, held approximately at a 60 degree angle to the subfloor, to maximise coverage and avoid forming pools of adhesive.

Depending on the type of installation, the following advice should be observed: Floor coverings should be applied directly into the wet adhesive on absorbent backgrounds after the airing time, between 5-20 minutes depending on ambient conditions.

Allowing the adhesive to air will improve early stage grab.

Only apply sufficient adhesive that can be covered within the working time, usually 35 minutes. Periodically check that the adhesive has transferred to the rear of the floor covering.

Remove any air pockets whilst the adhesive is still wet, and roll the floor covering with a roller (minimum 25kg) and/or a smoothing tool if required.

Roll from side to side first, then end to end. Rolling will ensure good overall contact and minimise the potential for adhesive show through. Some floor coverings may benefit from further rolling/smoothing after approximately 30 minutes.

Heat welding should only commence once the adhesive has dried sufficiently after 24 hours.

Do not allow the floor to be wet cleaned immediately after the floor covering has been installed. Allow significant time for the adhesive bond to develop before wet cleaning commences, typically 48 hours at 20°C.

HIGH TEMPERATURE

ARDEX AF 180 MS is suitable for use over underfloor heating systems and is classified as high temperature resistant. ARDEX AF 180 MS is suitable for use in areas of high solar gain such as conservatories and northerly facing aspects. The surface floor temperature must not exceed 50°C for prolonged periods.

Consult the floor covering manufacturer for detailed guidance.

CLEANING

Remove spills or seepage with heavy duty cleaning wipes.

Aggressive cleaning agents should only be used with the permission of the floor covering manufacturer.

PACKAGING

ARDEX AF 180 MS is packed in plastic foil sealed pails 12kg net weight.

COVERAGE

See table below.

The actual coverage achieved in practice is affected by application technique, as well as the texture and absorbency of the subfloor.

STORAGE

ARDEX AF 180 MS has a shelf life of 12 months if stored in good conditions, between 5°C and 30°C, in the original unopened container.

Replace foil seal to top of product when not in use. When using previously opened product remove any skin that has formed during storage between uses.

SAFETY DATA

ARDEX AF 180 MS is non-hazardous in normal usage, however, good hygiene practices should be followed.

Avoid contact with skin; wash off with soap and water before drying takes place. In case of contact with eyes, rinse carefully and thoroughly with water and seek medical advice. In case of ingestion seek medical assistance. Consult the relevant Safety Data Sheets for further information.

For the latest technical or health and safety information on this product, consult the current product or safety data sheet online at: www.ardexaustralia.com

TECHNICAL DATA

Airing Time*: 5 - 20 minutes

Working Time: 35 minutes

Open Time: 40 minutes

Specific Density: 1.4

Packaging: 12kg Pail

Shelf Life: 12 months

See table Coverage:

*The time the adhesive must be left open before applying the floorcovering. This will vary depending on the absorbency of the subfloor and ambient conditions

The guidance from the floor covering manufacturer should always be followed if different from the information contained in this Technical Data Sheet.

Flooring Type	Trowel Size		Coverage
LVT Vinyl, PVC and CV flooring, Rubber flooring	A1	1.1 1.5 0.5 55°	Up to 40m²
LVT Vinyl, PVC and CV flooring, Rubber flooring	A2	1.4 1.7 1.3 55°	Up to 37m²
Rubber floorings with sanded back < 3.2mm	B1	2.0 2.4 2.6 55°	Up to 27m²
Needle fleece, Artificial grass	B2	2.55 3.0 2.0 55°	Up to 13m²





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