



Gyproc Plasterboard Patches

Product Data Sheet

Introduction

Overview

Gyproc Plasterboard Patches offer a quick and easy way to repairing damage made to plasterboard or smooth plastered surfaces. The self-adhesive patches when combined with a rapid setting material like Gyproc Easi-Fill 20 provide a real quick-fix solution to what can be a time consuming and at often a fiddly way of repairing damaged plasterboard.

Applications

The product is ideal for use on any plasterboard. Typical applications includes covering holes where old electrical sockets have been removed, damaged plasterboard created by door handles, repairing old / unwanted down lighter holes and general everyday damage to interior walls, etc.

Note: Gyproc Easi-Fill 20 is not intended for use on Glasroc MULTIBOARD and Glasroc FIRECASE S.

General product information

Product	Quantity per pack
	Assortment pack
Gyproc Plasterboard Patches	2 x 50mm x 50mm
	5 x 100mm x 100mm
	5 x 150mm x 150mm

Installation

Background preparation

Ensure the surface area around the hole / damaged area is dry, clean, free from dust and grease and that any loose pieces of paper have been removed prior to sticking the patch in place. Emulsion painted surfaces require standard preparation as above, whilst gloss paints require a light sanding to assist in adhesion.

General application

Remove the paper backing of the Gyproc Plasterboard Patch and apply the patch over the hole / damaged area and ensure that all of the mesh is stuck down well prior to covering. Mix

up some Gyproc Easi-Fill or other suitable material (the use of Gyproc Easi-Fill 20 allows two coats to be applied in approx. 30 - 40mins) and using a filling knife, caulker or trowel apply over the patch and the surrounding area ensuring the material goes 50mm – 100mm beyond the edge of the metal mesh. Allow the material to set (if using setting compound) or completely dry if using an “air drying” material before applying the next coat. The second coat should be applied at least 50mm – 100mm beyond the edge of the first coat. If required, further coats can be applied following the same principle of taking each coat 50mm -100mm beyond the previous coat.

Finishing

Decoration

Once all the material has dried, it can be lightly sanded to remove any trowel marks, etc. Ensure the surface is then dusted down. Apply decoration with the minimum of delay following the paint manufacturer's instructions for porous surfaces. Note that, as with all wall and ceiling areas, gloss or high-sheen finishes can highlight any variations of the surface, particularly with shallow-angle lighting. The use of low-sheen or matt finishes minimises this risk. Patching should be carried out under similar lighting conditions to those used for subsequent inspection and use.

Conditions

Effect of temperature: The ambient and background temperature must be maintained above 5°C until fully dry. Care should be taken if the patches are to be used in cold conditions as the colder the weather the less tack the patches have.

Storage

Packets should be stored in a dry warm environment as damp and / or cold conditions can reduce the adhesion qualities of the patches.

Standards

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Manual handling

It is important to observe appropriate Health and Safety legislation when working on site, e.g. protective clothing and equipment, etc. In practice, consideration must be given to design criteria requiring specific project solutions.

If carry large quantities of Gyproc Plasterboard Patches are to be carried ensure the correct manual handling techniques and safe systems of work appropriate to the size and length of the product. Some of these guidelines are summarised to the right. For further guidance, please refer to the Manual Handling section of the British Gypsum **SITE BOOK** and the British Gypsum Manual Handling Guide. Both can be downloaded from **www.british-gypsum.com** or can be obtained by calling the British Gypsum Drywall Academy Advice Centre on 0844 800 1991.

- Whenever possible, place one foot in front of the other to produce a good base and reduce the pressure on the body.
- Assess the load by placing your hand on it and moving.
- Only handle what you feel you can manage.
- Initiate movements with your legs, unlocking the knees and driving with the legs to start the lift.
- Keep the load as close to your body as possible when lifting or handling.
- Turn instead of twisting and move your feet.
- Let your back find its natural curvature.
- Never lose control of the load.

Loading and unloading pallets

- Always wear safety shoes.
- Always place one foot forward by operating from the corner of the pallet or placing one foot on the pallet taking care to ensure that the pallet does not tip in the process.
- Unlock the knees for low level work.
- Take a firm grip of the load with both hands.
- Lift using the legs to start the movement.
- Turn by moving the feet.

Application and installation

- Always work in a balanced position.
- Operate with one foot forward.
- Keep the body upright.
- Always use appropriate platforms where necessary.

General notes

In practice, consideration must be given to design criteria requiring specific project solutions. Please contact the British Gypsum Drywall Academy Advice Centre for further guidance on 0844 800 1991 or at bgtechnical.enquiries@bpb.com

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