



Atlas Minerals & Chemicals, Inc.



DATA SHEET

5-65PI (2-26)
Supersedes 5-65PI (4-10)

ATLAS VTF® SETTING BED MT

DESCRIPTION

ATLAS VTF SETTING BED MT is a moisture tolerant, corrosion resistant setting bed utilized in the ATLAS VTF SYSTEM.

TYPICAL USES

ATLAS VTF SETTING BED MT is used to bond masonry or vitrified tile or brick to a substrate. ATLAS VTF SETTING BED MT is used as the bond coat over Portland cement concrete, sand cement and latex or epoxy modified leveling beds with vitrified tile, quarry tile and brick pavers.

PACKAGING - ATLAS VTF SETTING BED MT 227 lb. (103.0 kg.) Unit Consisting of:

- One - 5-gal. pail of Resin (40 lb. 11 oz. [18.5 kg.])
- One - 5-gal. can of Hardener (18 lb. 5 oz. [8.3 kg.])
- Four - bags of Powder (42 lb. [19.1 kg.]) ea.

2,577 lb. (1,168.9 kg.) Unit Consisting of:

- One - 55-gal. drums of Resin (445 lb. [201.8 kg.])
- Five - 5-gal. pails of MT Hardener (40 lb. [18.1 kg.])
- 46 - bags of Powder (42 lb. [19.1 kg.]) ea.

ESTIMATING OF THE ATLAS VTF SETTING BED MT

Thickness	227 lb. (103.0 kg.)	2,577 lb. (1,168.9 kg.)
3/32"	260 sq. ft.	2,950 sq. ft.

ESTIMATING - BACK BUTTERING GROOVED TILE

For 3/32" thickness setting bed: No. of units estimated x 0.4 = No. of additional units for back buttering.

SURFACE PREPARATION

Note: When using ATLAS VTF SETTING BED MT on porous surfaces such as sand / cement leveling or sloping beds, REZKLAD E-CONCRETE PRIMER MT must be applied and allowed to cure prior to the application of the ATLAS VTF SETTING BED MT.

Existing, New and Damp Concrete: Mechanical grit blasting or acid washing is required for preparing the concrete surface. A finish similar to the profile of 100 to 120 grit sandpaper is suggested.

PHYSICAL PROPERTIES

PROPERTY	TEST METHOD	TYPICAL VALUE
Density	ASTM C905	110 lb./cu. ft. (1.76 g./cc.)
Bond Strength, 7 days @ 77°F (25°C)	—	Concrete fails
Tensile Strength, 7 days @ 77°F (25°C)	ASTM C307	1,780 psi. (12.3 MPa)
Compressive Strength, 7 days @ 77°F (25°C)	ASTM C579	10,200 psi. (70.4 MPa)
Flexural Strength, 7 days @ 77°F (25°C)	ASTM C580	4,500 psi. (31.1 MPa)
Coefficient of Thermal Exp., in./in./°F (cm./cm./°C)	ASTM C531	3.0 x 10 ⁻⁵ (5.4 x 10 ⁻⁵)
Water Absorption	ASTM C413	0.2%

The prepared substrate must be free of ridges, protrusions, fins and mortar splatter. The substrate must be structurally sound, clean and free of all contaminants, such as sealers, curing compounds, coatings, oil, dirt and dust. Previously applied coatings or paint must be removed.

New Concrete: The concrete substrate must have a minimum of 5 days (120 hours) cure prior to application of the setting bed.

Damp Concrete: The surface may be damp, but must be free of all standing water. Remove puddled or standing water by vacuuming, sweeping, squeegee, sponge or blowing off with compressed air. The concrete substrate must have a minimum of 5 days (120 hours) cure prior to the application of the setting bed.

TEMPERATURE DURING APPLICATION

Store ATLAS VTF SETTING BED MT at 70°F (21°C) to 80°F (27°C) for 24 hours prior to use. The best working characteristics of the materials will be attained when the temperature of the substrate, air, masonry units and ATLAS VTF SETTING BED MT are between 60°F (16°C) and 85°F (29°C). Minimum temperature for installation is 40°F (4°C).

MIXING OF THE ATLAS VTF SETTING BED MT

Mixing of the components should be with a KOL type mixer with a 5-gallon capacity. The mixing speed should be between 60 and 75 RPM.

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MIX RATIO CHART OF THE ATLAS VTF SETTING BED MT

ATLAS VTF SETTING BED MT	Weight	Volume
ATLAS VTF SETTING BED MT Resin	4 lb. 12 oz. (2.16 kg.)	65 fl. oz. (2.1 liters)
ATLAS VTF SETTING BED MT Hardener	2 lb. 3 oz. (0.97 kg.)	33 fl. oz. (1.03 liters)
ATLAS VTF SETTING BED MT Powder	21 lb. (9.53 kg.)	21 lb. (9.53 kg.) bag
Batch Size	27 lb. 15 oz. (12.7 kg.)	0.25 cu. ft. (7.2 liters)

227 lb. (103.0 kg.) Unit:

- Evenly divide the contents of one of the 42 lb. (19.1 kg.) bags of ATLAS VTF SETTING BED MT Powder into two equal parts by volume using two clean, dry 5-gallon pails.
- Combine 65 fluid ounces (2.1 liters) of ATLAS VTF SETTING BED MT Resin with 33 fluid ounces (1.03 liters) of ATLAS VTF SETTING BED MT Hardener in the 5-gallon capacity mechanical mixer. Mix thoroughly for approximately two minutes.
- Slowly add a 1/2 bag of ATLAS VTF SETTING BED MT Powder, 21 lb. (9.5 kg.), as prepared in Step (a.).
- Mix the combined components for approximately two minutes or until all the powder is thoroughly dispersed.

Note: The amount of the powder may be varied slightly to obtain the desired consistency. Decreasing the powder component will decrease the estimated coverage.

APPLICATION OF THE ATLAS VTF SETTING BED MT

Apply ATLAS VTF SETTING BED MT with a 3/16" V-notched trowel held at a 45 degree angle. Place a sufficient amount of ATLAS VTF SETTING BED MT to provide a continuous bond coat to the specified thickness. Do not apply more material than can be covered in 15 to 20 minutes at 75°F (24°C) or before the mortar begins to set. Refer to the "Typical Working & Setting Times" chart.

Grouting can proceed after the ATLAS VTF SETTING BED MT can support foot traffic.

TYPICAL WORKING & SETTING TIMES OF THE ATLAS VTF SETTING BED MT

Temperature	Working Time	Support Foot Traffic
40°F (4°C)	40 min.	18 hours
60°F (16°C)	35 min.	14 hours
75°F (24°C)	30 min.	12 hours
85°F (29°C)	25 min.	10 hours

CLEANING OF TOOLS AND EQUIPMENT

Steel wool, soap and warm water will remove the materials referred to in this Data Sheet from mixing tools and equipment if cleaning is done immediately after use. Solvents, such as methyl ethyl ketone, toluene or xylene, will have to be used after the material has begun to harden. Fully hardened material will have to be removed by mechanical means.

Dispose of residues and wastes in accordance with the directions in the Safety Data Sheets and government regulations.

STORAGE AND SHELF LIFE

Store all materials in a cool, dry environment. Keep all materials out of direct sunlight. Ideal storage temperature is 75°F (24°C). Protect from freezing. In unopened original containers, the materials referred to in this Data Sheet have a shelf life of approximately one year.

PRODUCT SPECIFICATION

The system shall be ATLAS VTF SETTING BED MT as manufactured by Atlas Minerals & Chemicals, Inc.

PRECAUTIONS

The materials referred to in this Data Sheet are for Industrial Use Only. They contain materials that present handling and potential health hazards. Consult Safety Data Sheets and the container labels for complete precautionary information.

TECHNICAL SERVICES

ATLAS maintains a staff of Technical Service Representatives who are available to assist you with the use of ATLAS products. In the event of difficulties with the application of ATLAS materials, the installation should be stopped immediately and ATLAS' Technical Service Department consulted for assistance.

WARRANTY

ATLAS warrants that its products will be free from defects in workmanship and materials under normal use for a period of one (1) year from the date of shipment by ATLAS (provided the products are installed before the expiration of the shelf life). THERE ARE NO EXPRESS OR IMPLIED WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY OR FITNESS FOR THE PURPOSE FOR THIS PRODUCT WHICH EXTEND BEYOND THE DESCRIPTION ON THE FACE HEREOF. ATLAS' LIABILITY FOR ALLEGED BREACH OF THIS WARRANTY SHALL BE LIMITED TO REPAIR OR REPLACEMENT OF THE DEFECTIVE PRODUCT (BUT NOT INCLUDING REMOVAL OF THE DEFECTIVE PRODUCT OR INSTALLATION OF REPLACEMENT PRODUCTS). ATLAS SHALL NOT BE LIABLE FOR ANY INCIDENTAL OR CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES DURING THE WARRANTY PERIOD OR THEREAFTER. **ATLAS' WARRANTY IS VOIDED IF PAYMENT FOR PRODUCT IS NOT RECEIVED IN FULL.**