# **Shield Deco Fine**



# Single-component, Polymer-modified, Cement-based Decorative Finish Plaster

### Description

**Shield Deco Fine** is a polymer-modified, cement-based Decorative finish plaster, supplied as a ready to use blend of dry powders, only requires the addition of clean water. **Shield Deco Fine** is suitable for overhead application by hand troweling at thicknesses up to 5 mm and available in a wide range of colors.

#### Uses

- External and internal building facades.
- On plaster and concrete surfaces.
- For overhead surfaces.
- Used as a rough plaster coat on surfaces such as concrete, aerated concrete, bricks, and plaster, in order to form a rough and strong sub-plaster surface.
- Can be applied on precast concrete after applying a mechanical key primer.
- Decorative European effects such as Mexican, Spanish, Antique, and Textured.

### **Characteristics / Advantages**

- Factory-controlled, pre-blended dry mix only requires the addition of clean water.
- Durable and long-lasting plaster.
- Suitable for both interior and exterior applications.
- Suitable for hand application with a trowel or wet spray application.
- Excellent adhesion strength.
- Good workability.
- Easy to apply.
- Abrasion and weather resistant.

# **Standard Compliance**

BS EN 998-1: Class CR, Type CS III

### **Packaging**

Shield Deco Fine is supplied in 25 kg bags.

# **Typical Properties**

Color	Wide variety of colors
Appearance	Powder
Mixed Density (@ 23°C)	1.65 ± 0.05 g/ml
Working Time (@ 23°C)	~ 45 minutes
Compressive Strength (BS EN 1015-11) @28 days	≥ 4.0 MPa
Flexural Strength (BS EN 1015-11) @28 days	≥ 1.0 MPa
Bond Strength (BS EN 1015-12) @28 days	≥ 0.50 MPa
Yield / 25 kg bag	~ 18 Liters, covers 3.5 m <sup>2</sup> / 5 mm thickness

Technical information corresponds to the data, which were obtained at  $(23 \pm 2$  °C) temperature and  $(50 \pm 5\%)$  relative humidity

# Shelf Life and Storage

**Shield Deco Fine** has a shelf life of 12 months when stored in its original unopened packaging in cool and dry conditions, protected from direct sunlight, heat, and moisture.

Shelf life may be reduced if the recommended storage conditions are not followed.

### **Safety Instructions**

Like any cement-based product, **Shield Deco Fine** contains hydraulic cement and may cause irritation to the skin or eyes. For further information Refer to the Material Safety Data Sheet.





# **Application Instructions**

### 1. Substrate Temperature

+5°C to +35°C

### 2. Surface Preparation

Concrete must be sound and clear from dust, loose material, curing compounds, oils, etc. any de-laminated, and deteriorated concrete should be removed by suitable means.

Thoroughly dampen the surface of the concrete with clean water to provide a saturated surface dry condition (SSD). Poor-quality concrete may require soaking for a significant length of time. Any excess water shall be removed before application.

As for the application on precast concrete, apply Shieldprime MK to provide a mechanical key before the application of Shield Deco Fine.

### 3. Mixing

Shield Deco Fine requires 5.0 Liters of potable water per 25 kg bag, depending on the desired consistency.

For optimum results, mixing should be performed using a forced-action high-shear mixing paddle, powered by a heavy-duty electric mixing drill.

Add the pre-measured amount of water to a clean mixing bucket. Add Shield Deco Fine powder slowly to the water whilst mixing and continue mixing for 3 - 5 minutes until a smooth, homogenous, lump-free consistency is achieved. Allow this mixture to stand for 3 - 5 minutes and then remix for another 1 - 2 minutes prior to use. Do not add additional water to the mix.

### 4. Application

Shield Deco Fine is applied by means of a metallic trowel or other similar appropriate tools, depending on the type of application. The aerated concrete bricks must be compact, clean, without oil, grease, or any substance that may compromise the adhesion of Shield Deco Fine on them.

Comply with the specified water mixing ratio, as any deviation may cause a color change. Continuous application must be maintained as well to avoid the formation of seams or gaps.

### Cleaning

All mixing equipment and application tools should be cleaned immediately with clean water. Hardened material should be mechanically removed.

### 6. Curing

The applied material of Shield Deco Fine requires a minimum of 2 – 3 days of curing with potable water, at a rate of 3 - 4 times a day.

## Consumption and Coverage (For 25 kg bags)

Yield: ~ 18 Liters

Consumption: 1.35 – 1.40 kg/m<sup>2</sup>/mm thickness.

Coverage: 17.5 - 18.5 m<sup>2</sup>/25 kg bag/mm thickness

### Limitations

- Do not apply the product if the ambient temperature is less than 5°C.
- Hot weather practices should be adopted during application and curing if the temperature is above 35°C. In hot conditions, store the material in a cool environment prior to mixing and use chilled mixing water.
- Do not deviate from the specified water mixing ratio, as this may lead to undesirable color changes.
- interruptions during application, as discontinuity can result in visible seams or gaps.

### **Technical Support**

Refer to technical information, method statement, or contact technical support team for any inquiry.

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