Fasäde®
Decorative Thermoplastic Panels

# Use and Care Instructions for Glue-Up Ceiling Panels

## *How do I need to prepare the ceiling before I install the glue up tiles?*

If you are planning to install glue up tiles to your ceiling, you need to make sure your ceiling is clean. We recommend that you apply a fresh coat of primer or paint on the ceiling before the panels are installed. Also, be sure to clean the back of each panel with rubbing alcohol before applying adhesive. Acceptable substrates are drywall, plaster or clean, smooth tile (glazed, porcelain type tile; not porous or textured). Any damaged, loose or uneven areas must be repaired, patched, leveled and primed. Fill cracks and irregularities with wallboard compound or spackling, then sand smooth with fine-grade sandpaper. Any porous material like highly textured drywall, plywood (or any raw wood without primer), and wallpaper unless removed, sanded and primed, will result in adhesive failure.

## *What can I use to cut the ceiling tiles?*

To cut the ceiling tiles use a utility knife, scissors or a tin snips.

## *What kind of adhesive do I need to install the glue-up panels?*

The preferred method for installing Glue-Up ceiling panels is to apply the adhesive directly to the back of the panels. Then use use a notched trowel (1/4" x 1/4" x 3/4") and spread the adhesive evenly on the panel. ACP, the manufacturer of Fasade recommends using Loctite PL Premium adhesive. Do not use double-sided tape to install ceiling panels.

## *If I choose to use the Tube Adhesive, how much do I need to purchase?*

When gluing up the ceiling panels, you will need 1 (10.5 oz) tube for two 2'x4' tiles.

## *Can the ceiling tiles be cleaned?*

Once you have your ceiling installed, the tiles can be cleaned with warm soapy water. Any harsh abrasives or chemicals will damage the finish on the tiles.

## *What tools will I need to install the ceiling tiles?*

To install your ceiling panels, you will need the following:

- Tape Measure
- Tin Snips or Scissors
- Caulking gun or 1/4”-notched trowel
- Utility Knife
- Steel Straight Edge
- Adhesive (Loctite PL Premium)
- Permanent Marker

## *During the installation of my ceiling, some of the adhesive dried on the finish side of my panels. How can I remove that?*

If some of the adhesive has dried on the finish side of the panels, you can use mineral spirits to remove it. This is the only solvent that can be used that will not damage the finish on the tile. It is best to remove any excess adhesive immediately using a damp cloth. Allowing excess adhesive to dry on the finished side of the panel may harm the finish.

## *Can I nail-up the ‘glue-up’ ceiling panels?*

Yes, as long as you are using the glue-up ceiling tiles you are able to use finishing nails. We recommend spacing the nails every 6 inches to avoid a ripple effect. Please note that the nails will be more noticeable when used with certain styles and finishes.

## *Can I paint Fasade panels?*

Yes. Our Matte White panels are paintable.

To paint our white backsplash panels, the recommended paint and preparation steps are below. For proper adhesion, be sure to complete both preparation steps:

| **Manufacturer** | **Paint** | **Preparation 1** | **Preparation 2** | **Application Type** |
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| Sherwin Williams | Acrolon 218HS | SSPC-SP1Solvent Cleaner | DTM Bonding Primer | Brush, Spray & Roller (for specific type, see data sheet)https://www.dot.ny.gov/divisions/engineering/technical-services/technical-services-repository/details/acroltech.pdf |
| Lowes | Signature Interior or American Tradition Exterior Duramax Paints | TSP Cleaner | Plastic Primer Spray | Premium quality roller, Polyester Brush, or airless sprayer |
| Benjamin Moore | Benjamin Moore Latex or Oil Paint | TSP Cleaner | Fresh Start Primer | Latex or oil paint: nylon/polyester professional brushes or shed-resistant professional roller covers |
| Pratt & Lambert | Pratt & Lambert Latex Paint | Scuff Sanding or TSP Cleaner | Supreme Interior/ Exterior Multi Purpose Primer | Brush: Nylon or Polyester Roller: 3/8” nap cover |
| Dutch Boy | Dutch Boy Platinum | Clean & Degrease | None | Brush: Nylon or Polyester Roller: 3/8” nap cover |

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| Conco | Interior/Exterior DTM ALKYD Gloss Industrial Enamel (8500 SERIES) or Interior/Exterior DTM Acrylic Gloss Industrial Enamel (8000 SERIES) | Clean & Degrease | Interior/Exterior DTM ALKYD Rust Control Metal Primer (P851) or Interior/Exterior DTM Acrylic Prime & Finish (P801) | Brush: Nylon or Polyester Roller: 3/8” nap cover |
| Rust-Oleum | Rust-Oleum Universal and Painter's Touch 2X aerosols | Clean & Degrease | None | Brush: Nylon or Polyester Roller: 3/8” nap cover |