



# MAXIBOND PRO LFT™

## TECHNICAL DATA SHEET



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## PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

MAXIBOND PRO™ LFT is a premium, polymer-modified thin-set mortar that redefines the standards of tiling excellence. This marvel of modern construction materials boasts unmatched flexibility and bond strength, making it the ideal choice for even the most demanding tiling projects. With its non-slumping formula and creamy, smooth consistency, MAXIBOND PRO™ LFT is a breeze to apply, ensuring a flawless finish every time. Its advanced formulation allows for easy installation of large-format and heavy ceramic, gauged (thin) porcelain, and irregular-thickness stone tiles, even on challenging substrates like plywood. Its innovative polymer modification and non-slumping properties ensure a perfect, lippage-free finish, allowing you to create stunning, long-lasting tile installations with ease.

*Available in Gray and White 50 Lb. bags*

## INDUSTRY STANDARDS AND APPROVALS

**ANSI:** ANSI A118.4T, A118.11  
**VOC:** SCS Indoor Advantage Gold  
**LEED:** v4 Option 1 & Option 2, v4.1 Option 1

## WHERE TO USE

- Most interior and exterior residential and commercial installations on floors and walls.
- Installation of large-format tile, porcelain, ceramic, and natural stone.
- Installation of quarry, Saltillo tile, brick stone veneer, pavers, most types of marble, and granite.

## SUITABLE SUBSTRATES

- Concrete (Cured for at least 28 days).
- Masonry cement block, brick, cement mortar beds, and leveling coats.
- Cement backer units (CBUs) - *reference manufacturer's installation guidelines.*
- Gypsum wallboard and plaster - *interior walls in dry areas only.*
- Exterior grade plywood - *interior use only.*
- CementPro waterproofing and crack-isolation membranes.

Always do a test with the bonding mortar to verify the suitability of the bond to the substrate.

Reference NTCA Reference Manual for installation recommendations, including those concerning substrates not listed.

## LIMITATIONS

- Install only at temperatures between 50° F and 95° F.
- Do not use for the installation of moisture-sensitive stone (some limestone and green granite), agglomerate tiles, or resin-backed tiles.
- Do not bond directly to hardwood, particle board, parquet, cushion, sponge-backed vinyl flooring, metal, fiberglass, plastic, or OSB panels.

## SURFACE PREPARATION

- All surfaces should be frost free and between 50° F and 95° F, structurally sound, clean, hard, and free from dirt, dust, sealers, or any other bond-breaking contaminants.
- Concrete slabs must be fully cured (28 days), structurally sound, and dimensionally stable.
- **Substrate prep should comply with ANSI A108.01 "General Requirements: Subsurfaces and Preparations by Other Trades."**
- **Consult TCNA method EJ-171 for expansion joint placement.**

## MIXING

- 1 Pour clean, potable water into a clean mixing container. A whole bag (50 lbs.) of Maxibond Pro™ LFT needs approximately 7.4 quarts (4.7 Liters) of water.
- 2 Gradually add the bag's contents to the liquid while slowly mixing.
- 3 Using an electric drill with an angled cross (blade mixer), mix on low speed for 2 to 3 minutes until the material becomes a smooth, lump-free paste.
- 4 Let the mixture slake or stand for 5 minutes.
- 5 Remix.
- 6 The finished consistency is reached when the trowel ridges remain upright without flow or slump.
- 7 Occasional mixing of the mortar during use is recommended. However, DO NOT add fresh materials or re-temper. Adding water (re-tempering) can reduce the materials' performance and bond strength.

- >> **Cold Weather Note:** The setting of cementitious mortars and grouts slows concurrently as the temperature drops from 50°F to 35°F. At 35°F it almost ceases. When these conditions occur, additional time must be allowed for the cement bonding materials to sufficiently harden before traffic is allowed. Do not allow mortar or grout to freeze, and do not apply when the substrate is frozen.
- >> **Hot Weather Note:** Hot weather, or any combination of high air temperature, low relative humidity and wind velocity, increases the tendency for dry shrinkage cracking of mortars and grouts, poor physical strength of the cured setting materials from the higher levels of water used during mixing, improper curing and decreases the durability of the installation. Substrates exposed to direct sunlight will have increased temperatures resulting in a rapid loss of workability increasing a mortar's tendency to skin over and dehydrate prematurely and fail to achieve its design strength.

***Be aware that it is the temperature of the tile products, bonding materials and substrate that counts, not just the air temperature.***

## APPLICATION (Refer to current ANSI A 108.5 specifications and TCNA handbook guidelines)

- 1 Use a properly sized notch trowel to ensure proper coverage under tiles. Consider tile types, shapes and sizes of specific application to exceed the 80% minimum coverage for interior dry areas and the 95% minimum coverage for wet and exterior applications. *\*For trowel guidelines, reference NTCA Reference Manual.*
- 2 Using the flat side of the trowel, with pressure, apply a uniform coat of mortar to the surface. Proper coverage is a continuous thickness of  $\geq 3/32$ " between the substrate to the tile underside.
- 3 Then, with the notched side of the trowel held at a 45° angle, apply additional mortar to the surface, combing in a single direction. To assist with collapsing ridges and removing air, comb the notches perpendicular to the long edges of rectangular tiles.
- 4 For most LHT / LFT tiles, flat back-troweling (formerly backbuttering) and notched back-troweling (formerly buttering) of tiles is required.
- 5 Apply only as much mortar as can be tiled before the product skins over; If the material has skinned over it is too dry, remove and replace with fresh mortar.
- 6 Wait to adjust tiles in mortar after 20 minutes. During the installation, remove a tile to ensure the mortar has not skinned over; check the tile and substrate mortar coverage.

## CURING

- The initial set and full cure length depend on climate conditions, usually 24 to 48 hours.
- Allow 72 hours after installation before allowing traffic.
- Allow for proper curing before application of grout.
- The completed installation should be cured for a minimum of 14 days and allowed to dry before exposure to prolonged water, such as swimming pools, fountains, and communal showers.
- DO NOT accelerate the curing of this material with mechanical fans or heating devices.

TECHNICAL INFORMATION	
Shelf Life	1 Year
Storage	Dry and closed / No humidity
Time Before Grouting	24 Hours
VOCs (SCAQMD Rule #1168)	0g per L

COVERAGE PER BAG			
<i>*Actual coverage will vary according to specific substrate and tile used.</i>			
TILE SIZE	TROWEL TYPE	TROWEL SIZE	COVERAGE
Less than 8"	Square Notched	1/4" x 1/4" x 1/4"	65 - 75 ft <sup>2</sup>
8 - 15"	Square Notched	1/4" x 3/8" x 1/4"	55 - 65 ft <sup>2</sup>
More than 15"	Square Notched	1/2" x 1/2" x 1/2"	35 - 45 ft <sup>2</sup>

ANSI A118.4T SPECIFICATION			
PROPERTY	TEST DURATION AND/OR CONDITIONS	RESULTS	REQUIREMENTS
Open Time	20 minutes at 28 days	75 - 80 psi	≥ 75 psi
Glazed Wall Tile Shear Strength	7 day water immersion	295 psi	> 200 psi
Porcelain Mosaic Tile Shear Strength	7 day water immersion	300 psi	> 150 psi
	28 days	281 psi	> 200 psi
Sag Resistance (T)	Sag at 20 minutes	0. in.	≤ 0.02 in. (0.5mm)

ANSI A118.11 SPECIFICATION			
PROPERTY	TEST DURATION AND/OR CONDITIONS	RESULTS	REQUIREMENTS
Unglazed Quarry Tile to Plywood Shear Strength	28 days	370 psi	> 150 psi (10.5 kg/cm <sup>2</sup> )

## ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION

CementPro is committed to environmental responsibility in products produced and manufacturing practices. For information on CementPro's commitment to sustainability and transparency and how CementPro products may contribute to green building standards and certification systems, contact [sustainability@cementpro.com](mailto:sustainability@cementpro.com) or visit [www.cementpro.com/sustainability](http://www.cementpro.com/sustainability).

// KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN //

## PRECAUTIONARY STATEMENTS

This material contains Portland cement and silica sand.

- Contact with dry or freshly mixed mortar, grout, or concrete may cause skin irritation.
- Avoid direct contact and wash exposed skin areas promptly with water.
- If any cementing material gets into the eyes, rinse immediately and repeatedly with water, and seek prompt medical attention.

For detailed information on how to use and handle this product safely, see the [Material Safety Data Sheet](#).

### California Prop 65 Warning for Quartz Silica Sand

This product contains crystalline silica, a substance known to the State of California to cause cancer. Inhalation of crystalline silica dust can increase the risk of lung cancer, especially for those exposed for extended periods. To minimize exposure during use, always follow safe handling practices like dust suppression techniques during cutting, grinding, or other dust-generating activities. Wear appropriate personal protective equipment, including a respirator with a high-efficiency particulate air (HEPA) filter, and wash hands thoroughly after handling. For more detailed safety information and instructions, please refer to the product's Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS) available at [https://cementpro.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/07/MSDS\\_Maxibond\\_LFT\\_2022.pdf](https://cementpro.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/07/MSDS_Maxibond_LFT_2022.pdf) or the California Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment (OEHHA) website: <https://www.oehha.ca.gov/>

### LEGAL NOTICE

This Product Data Sheet has been prepared in good faith based on information available at the time of publication. It is intended to provide users with information and guidelines for properly using and applying the covered CementPro brand product(s) under normal environmental and working conditions. Because each project is different, CementPro cannot be responsible for the consequences of variations in such conditions or unforeseen conditions.

### WARRANTY

Every Maxibond Pro LFT™ purchase enjoys a standard 1-year limited warranty, safeguarding its quality and performance. Unlock the full potential of your project with our extended 25-Year System Warranty! Use Maxibond Pro LFT™ as part of a complete CEMENTPRO installation system and qualify for this extended coverage. Head to <https://cementpro.com/warranty/> for complete details on the standard warranty and the 25-Year System Warranty specifics. At CementPro, we stand behind our products and your satisfaction.



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