

**OVERVIEW**

Handycoat DP is a dry powder non hydraulic filler for use as a skim coat and jointing compound for gypsum boards. It gives a high quality, even surface for painting. Handycoat DP is specially manufactured for the painter to repair and touch up interior surface, both old and new, prior to painting. Handycoat DP fills joints and hairline cracks etc. Unlike conventional fillers Handycoat DP has plastic properties, does not flake off, is permanent and retains its adhesion.

**PROPERTIES**

Handycoat DP is made from a selected blend of acrylic polymers and precisely graded fillers. It is:

- Easy to mix by hand.
- Does not flake off.
- Has high adhesion power.
- Applicable up to 4mm in thickness.
- Has high coverage.
- Quick drying.
- Vapour permeable.

**BONDING**

When dry, Handycoat DP bonds extremely well to cementitious materials, gypsum, gypsum boards, sprayplasters, wood, galvanised steel lathings and all common building surface.

If the surface on which Handycoat DP is to be applied shows signs of flaking or dusting, then the surface should be cleaned thoroughly and TERRACO Penetrating Primer or Terrabond applied prior to patching with Handycoat DP.

Surface affected by rising damp should be treated with a damp-proofing system prior to application of filler. If damp is constant danger then the use of TERRACO Acrylic Filler is recommended.

**AREA OF USE**

Ideal as a gypsum board jointing compound and skimcoat, for patching hairline cracks in walls, ceilings, repairing damage to plaster/paint work, nail holes in woodwork, making good around door architrave's and along the top of skirtings etc.

**PREPARATION OF SURFACE**

Ensure that dust, dirt and foreign matter are brushed away. Ridges and oil must be also removed. The use of Terraco Penetrating Primer is recommended on dusting or flaking surfaces.

When applying Handycoat DP to old painted surfaces first wash down with soda / water solution, rinse and allow to dry before application of Handycoat DP.

**MIXING**

Mix 20kg of Handycoat DP with 8kg water using a high speed mixer and allow to stand for 5 minutes before use.

**APPLICATION & CLEANING OF TOOLS**

Apply the Handycoat DP in a thin even layer and allow to dry. Apply a second coat if necessary to achieve a level surface.

Lightly sandpaper over the dry final surface before painting preferably within 24 hours of application.

Clean tools and equipment with water after use.

**HEALTH & SAFETY**

Avoid prolonged contact with eyes and skin. For detailed information refer to relevant material safety data sheet.

**PACKAGING & STORAGE**

Handycoat DP is supplied 20 kg paper bags.

Store containers in a clean dry area protected from direct sunlight and extreme heat and cold. Unopened containers can be stored for 12 months. Use oldest material first.

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## TECHNICAL DATA

<b>Product</b>	Dry powder skim coat and jointing compound for gypsum board.
<b>Filler</b>	Precisely graded marble.
<b>Binder</b>	Vinyl acetate copolymer.
<b>Mixing</b>	20kg Handycoat DP/ 8kg water.
<b>Colour</b>	White.
<b>Standard</b>	ASTM C475
<b>Shrinkage</b>	Negligible.
<b>Application</b>	By spatula.
<b>Average Consumption</b>	1.25kg/m <sup>2</sup> /mm thickness depending upon surface conditions.
<b>Toxicity</b>	Non-toxic
<b>Packaging</b>	20kg paper bags.
<b>Storage</b>	12 months in original unopened containers.

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