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FIXIT

FIXIT EXTERIOR CRACKFILLER

F684-2100

PRODUCT BENEFITS

1. A heavy duty white exterior CRACKFILLER formulated specially for exterior conditions.
2. Sets to a hard, weather resistant finish.
3. Easy to use – excellent results are achieved by the average D-I-Y enthusiast.

USES

FIXIT Exterior Crackfiller is recommended for filling irregularities in all exterior cement, masonry, plaster, brick, mortar and some wooden surfaces. It is not recommended for filling softwood, as this is affected by moisture.

FIXIT Exterior Crackfiller can be tinted with small amounts of universal colourants, or PVA or enamel paints, to match existing surfaces, and improve the colour uniformity of topcoats.

GENERAL DATA

Type	A vinyl reinforced cement based filler with selected high strength aggregates to give optimum strength combined with minimum shrinkage.
Spreading Rate	Not applicable – varies with depth of imperfections.
Thinner	None required – except tap water to adjust consistency
Shelf Life	12 months, if stored in a cool, dry place.

MIXING

Add approximately 5 parts powder into 2 parts water, and mix to a stiff but workable paste. Ensure that the paste is smooth, and that all lumps have been dispersed. Do not mix more paste than can be used within about one hour.

SURFACE PREPARATION

Surfaces must be clean and dry. Remove all loose plaster, dust, old paint and wallpaper by brushing with a stiff wire brush. Narrow cracks are best widened with a sharp tool to ensure effective filling.

APPLICATION

Apply with a putty knife or small trowel, forcing the mixed paste well into the gaps or cavities. For deep cavities over ± 5 mm, use two or more applications, allowing each layer to harden before applying the next. To avoid shrinkage, the first layer should be mixed to a much stiffer paste. Slightly overfill the crack or cavity, allow to set completely (preferably overnight for deep cavities), sandpaper smooth, remove all dust, and paint when dry.

OVERCOATING

Allow the FIXIT Exterior Crackfiller to dry thoroughly (6 hours for gaps of 2 – 3 mm, but preferably overnight) before painting. Waterbased (PVA) paints can be applied once the surface feels dry. Sandpaper off any irregularities, dust off, and for oil paints, apply a coat of Alkali Resisting Primer over the filled areas. Allow to dry, and finish with your chosen top coat.

PRECAUTIONS

For detailed safety information refer to Material Safety Data Sheet F684-2100

Not recommended for interior use, as it gives a rougher finish than FIXIT Interior Crackfiller

Not designed to repair or fix up faulty masonry, where obvious structural defects are apparent.

Always use clean utensils, and ensure the mixing vessel or surface has no residues of old, mixed Crackfiller.

To prolong shelf life, reseal packet after use, and store in a cool, dry place.

FLASH POINT

Non-flammable