



Model Specification for Installation of Tekcem 220 Leveller onto Concrete Substrate Using Two Coats of Tekprime (Bonded System)

1. Substrate Requirements

Substrate Type:

Concrete slab suitable for bonded self-levelling systems.

Minimum Compressive Strength:

25 MPa.

Condition:

- Structurally sound, stable, and free from movement or cracking.
 - All cracks and defects repaired to form a flush, stable surface.
 - Free from laitance, dust, oil, grease, curing agents, and contaminants.
 - Surface relative humidity $\leq 75\%$ (BS 8203).
 - Flat and true; major deviations corrected before application.
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2. Mechanical Surface Preparation

Method:

Mechanically abrade using vacuum-assisted shot-blasting, grinding, or equivalent to expose a clean, textured surface.

Cleaning:

Remove all dust and debris with industrial vacuum equipment.

Moisture Testing:

Confirm $RH \leq 75\%$. If higher, install a suitable surface DPM before priming.

3. Primer Application (Two Coats Tekprime)

Primer:

Tekcem Tekprime.

Dilution Ratio:

3 parts clean water : 1 part Tekprime (3 : 1).

Coat 1:

Apply the first diluted coat uniformly using a roller or soft broom.

Allow to fully dry and film-form (minimum 1 hour depending on conditions).

**Coat 2:**

Apply a second identical coat at the same dilution.
Ensure the surface is dry and tack-free before applying Tekcem 220+.

Coverage:

Approx. 170 m² per 5 L of Tekprime at 3 : 1 dilution (per coat, subject to substrate porosity).

Conditions:

Do not apply if substrate or ambient temperature is below 5 °C or above 30 °C.
Maintain ambient RH below 75 % during curing.

4. Tekcem 220 Leveller Specification

Product:

Tekcem 220 Leveller – rapid-setting, cement-based, protein-free, shrinkage-compensated smoothing compound.

Water Addition:

5.6 – 6.0 litres per 25 kg unit.
Do not exceed 6 litres to avoid strength loss or extended drying times.

Properties:

- Working time: 20 – 30 minutes @ 20 °C
- Light foot traffic: ~ 2 – 3 hours @ 20 °C
- Floor finishes: after 24 hours @ 3 mm
- Compressive strength: > 12 MPa (1 day), > 25 MPa (7 days), > 28 MPa (28 days)
- Flexural strength: > 4 MPa (1 day), > 6 MPa (7 days), > 7 MPa (28 days)

Thickness Guidelines (Bonded Systems):

Minimum 2 mm, maximum 20 mm in a single application.
For greater depths, apply in layers with re-priming between coats.

5. Screed Application

Mixing:

Add powder slowly to clean water while mixing with a slow-speed drill and paddle or screed pump.
Mix until uniform and lump-free.
Allow to stand 2 minutes, re-mix, and apply immediately. Use within 30 minutes of mixing.

Placement:

Pour or pump the material onto the primed substrate.



Spread with a steel trowel to required thickness and finish using a spiked roller to release air.

Environmental Conditions:

Substrate temperature 5 – 30 °C; ambient RH < 75 %.

6. Post-Installation

Drying & Overlay:

- Light foot traffic: after ~ 2 – 3 hours @ 20 °C
- Tiled finishes: after 3 hours @ 3 mm
- Other floor finishes: after 24 hours @ 3 mm
- Ensure residual moisture content is suitable before overlaying.

Drying Guidance:

Allow 1 day per 10 mm thickness in good conditions.

Low temperatures and high humidity extend drying. Verify RH before sensitive floor finishes.

Curing:

No curing membrane required. Avoid rapid drying from direct heat or strong airflow.

Access:

Light traffic after 2 – 3 hours; full traffic after 24 hours.

7. Limitations

- Do not apply below 5 °C or above 30 °C.
- Not suitable for areas subject to permanent water immersion.
- Ensure substrate RH ≤ 75 % before application.
- Only use Tekcem Tekprime for bonded systems of this type

8. Disclaimer

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