

ROCKGRIP PLASTER PRIMER

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PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

A good alkali resistant primer for porous surfaces

PRODUCT USES

- Primes all types of interior and exterior masonry surfaces such as brick, concrete, cement, gypsum plaster, and all types of composite boarding.

FEATURES AND BENEFITS

- Highly resistant to alkali, as found in new plaster.
- Can be over coated with solvent-based and water-based products.
- Seals porous plaster and provides a sound surface for top coating.

PRODUCT INFORMATION

Appearance	Matt
Colour	White
Binder Type	Styrene Acrylic copolymer
Density at 23°C	Approx. 1.24
Solids Content	By weight: Approx. 59%
	By volume: Approx. 36%
Packaged Viscosity	Viscosity at 23°C: Approx. 70 KU
Spreading Rate	Approx. 8m ² per litre depending on surface porosity, profile and application method.
Recommended DFT per coat	Min. 25µm. Max. 40µm.
Recommended WFT per coat	Min. 80µm. Max. 110µm
Flash Point	37°C

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APPLICATION INFORMATION

Mixing	Stir until homogeneous with a flat paddle.
Application Surface conditions	Surface Temperature between 10 - 35°C. Relative Humidity between 10 - 85 % OR 2°C above dew point minimum.
Application methods	Brush or roller. Brush preferred to ensure penetration.
Thinner	Thinning not recommended. Ready for use after thorough stirring.
Drying Time	Touch dry 4 hour at 23°C.
Recoating Time	18 hours at 23°C (Drying times will be extended during cold, wet or humid conditions.)
Cleaning of equipment	After use, remove as much product as possible, and then clean immediately with Dulux Pre-Paint Brush Cleaner/ Degreaser or Mineral Turpentine.
Substrates	Suitable for cement plaster, concrete, fibre cement, gypsum plaster and various composite boards.
Precautions:	Do not apply during cold (below 10°C) or wet weather. Not suitable as a primer for metal surfaces. Polystyrene products e.g. cornice & mouldings should not be primed with Rockgrip Plaster Primer . Prime with 1 coat Dulux Supergrip which is water based, 2 coats required if a non-solvent free enamel topcoat will be applied. Not suitable for direct application to powdery or friable surfaces whether previously painted or not. Not designed to withstand natural weathering. It should be recoated in 2 to 3 days. If left uncoated for extended periods, sanding will be required before application of the topcoat.
Coats Required	New work 1 coat, a 2 nd coat may be required on very absorbent surfaces.
Top Coating	Can be over coated with most Rockgrip decorative finishes.

SURFACE PREPARATION

Plaster sand should comply with SABS 1090 requirements. Plaster mix must be applied at a minimum thickness of 10mm, curing to a hard and sound finish, free of soft and friable material. MPA strength must comply with SABS 0164-1 (10MPa=2, 6:1 and 5MPa=4:1). Ensure that surfaces are sound and free from dust, oil, grease, dirt, and debris. Surfaces must be thoroughly dry - no more than 12% moisture content measured with a Protimeter in (%WME) mode.

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NEW SURFACES

Cement Plaster (non-friable), Composite Boards and Fibre Cement

- Fresh cement plaster should be allowed one week drying for every 5mm thickness; and longer in cold or damp weather.
- Spot-prime metal strips and nail heads with appropriate metal primer.
- For very absorbent surfaces more than one coat **Rockgrip Plaster Primer** could be required to achieve correct binding and sealing properties.

Gypsum Plaster - Interior

- Newly applied Gypsum Plaster can present variable surface finishes based on the application method, the quality and type of gypsum plaster used. This can present variability in the finish of the applied gypsum in terms of surface hardness, texture and porosity. This may require added attention during priming.
- Ensure the gypsum plaster is sound, non-friable, applied and cured as per the manufacturers specifications.
- After wiping down the gypsum plaster, no chalky powder should remain on the surface.
- If the gypsum is sound, apply a single coat **Rockgrip Plaster Primer**.
- As gypsum plaster is a very porous surface, adsorption of the plaster primer may occur. To test for this, wipe a black cloth over the dried **Rockgrip Plaster Primer** to test its integrity. If a white residue is found on the back of the cloth, apply 1 to 2 further coats of **Rockgrip Plaster Primer** to achieve the correct binding and sealing properties.

Concrete

- Remove any uncured cement, grease, and mould-release agents by high-pressure water blast, or wash with a strong sugar soap/water solution. Rinse off thoroughly with clean water and allow drying.

PREVIOUSLY PAINTED SURFACES

Old Paint in Poor Condition

- Completely remove all loose and flaking paint.
- Remove oil, grease dirt or any other contaminants with **Dulux Pre-Paint Sugar Soap**/water solution and allow drying.
- Friable surfaces must be removed and repaired.
- Chalked surfaces must be thoroughly brushed or prepared with high pressure water cleaning. NOTE: While this product can be used for sealing exterior chalked or friable surfaces, it will not penetrate thick layers of powdery material. **Rockgrip Bonding Liquid**, which is un-pigmented, is preferred as it has the ability to penetrate further into the surface.
- Mould instructions. To kill lichen and algae growth, scrub with one of the following solutions: either 4:1 water/chlorine, or 4:1 water/sodium hypochlorite. Ensure that the areas are completely saturated, and allow the solution to react for a minimum of 4 hours. Rinse the complete wall surface thoroughly with clean water and allow drying.
- Prime all exposed areas. For very absorbent surfaces more than one coat **Rockgrip Plaster Primer** could be required to achieve correct binding and sealing properties.

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FILLING

Fill all imperfections with the appropriate **Dulux Pre-Paint** filler and spot prime filled areas **Rockgrip Plaster Primer** once the crack filler has dried properly. Failure to do this will result in uneven sheen levels between the repaired and normal areas.

HEALTH AND SAFETY INFORMATION

Danger. Flammable liquid and vapor. May cause drowsiness or dizziness. Causes damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure. (central nervous system (CNS)) Toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Rockgrip® paints contain no added lead. Avoid contact with skin or eyes. Keep out of reach of children. If accidentally swallowed, seek medical advice and show this container to the doctor. Dry sanding, flame cutting, and/or welding of the dry paint film will give rise to dust and/or hazardous fumes. Wet sanding should be used whenever possible. If exposure cannot be avoided by the provision of local exhaust ventilation, suitable respiratory protective equipment should be used. Do not empty into drains or watercourses. Ensure good ventilation during application and drying.

Safety and Technical datasheets available on request. Call a POISON CENTRE or doctor/physician if you feel unwell. Dispose of contents and container in accordance with all local, regional, national or international regulations.

To avoid the risk of spillage, always store and transport containers in a secure, upright position.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Packaging	5Lt, 20Lt
Storage Conditions	Store under cool dry conditions away from direct sunlight, heat and extreme cold.
Disclaimers	N/A product specific

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