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# BG Tips

for the trade

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- Get the low-down on jointing compounds
- Gyproc BladeRunner the revolutionary board cutter
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# Gyproc jointing compounds the low-down!

For any drylining job it's vital to get the best from the materials you've chosen. Our Gyproc jointing compounds fall into three basic types and each has its own pros and cons. The differences essentially come from the way the product hardens.

## 1. Setting-type compounds

Use for tape-bedding, applying thick coats, pre-filling damaged plasterboards and for fixing beads.



### The benefits

- Has a defined, short time before recoating is possible
- Has very low shrinkage
- The setting time is not weather-dependent

### What should you be aware of?

- Either Gyproc Joint Cement, Gyproc Ready Mix Joint Cement or Gyproc ProMix UTE should be used to provide the finishing coats
- Only mix the amount you can use in a short time
- It can't be used with mechanical taping tools

Ideal for thicker applications and great for recoating quickly.

## 2. Air-drying compounds

Use after Gyproc Joint Filler has set.



### The benefits

- Ideal for use in very thin layers, so it's good for finishing coats
- After mixing, it can be used over a long period (days)
- It tends to be softer to sand
- Gyproc Joint Cement is economical to buy and use
- Can be used with mechanical taping tools
- Gyproc Ready Mix Joint Cement and Gyproc ProMix UTE require no water or mixing, saving time and mess
- They also come in a handy mixing bucket for your other jobs!

### What should you be aware of?

- There will always be some shrinkage, so limit the coat thickness
- It can only be recoated when dry, so in poor drying conditions this can take a long time
- If you can't reuse the ready mix bucket, you've got to dispose of it!

Ideal for the perfect finish coat.

### 3. Combined setting and air-drying

Gyproc Easi-Fill is a handy alternative. It's a combined setting and air-drying powder that can be used to bed the tape and finish the joint in only two coats.



#### The benefits

- Has low shrinkage for tape-bedding and is suitable for thin finishing coats
- It's quickly recoatable
- Easy to sand
- Can be used with mechanical taping tools
- High coverage compared to other joining materials - typically 40m<sup>2</sup> per bag
- Gyproc Easi-Fill 45 has a 45 minute working time for those jobs that need an even faster turnaround!

Ideal when working to tight timescales and great where you need one product to do every job.

## BG Top Tips

There's a large choice of fixings available, but do you know the best to use? Here are our top three tips.



#### 1. Gyproc plasterboard onto timber studs

- Use Gyproc Drywall Timber Screws
- Remember you need a minimum of 25mm penetration into the stud
- 38mm Gyproc Drywall Timber Screws are ideal for fixing one layer of 12.5mm plasterboard



#### 2. Gyproc plasterboard onto Gypframe metal studs

- Use Gyproc Drywall Screws
- The fixing only requires a minimum of 10mm penetration into the stud
- 25mm Gyproc Drywall Screws are ideal for fixing a single layer of 12.5mm or 15mm plasterboard into Gypframe 70 S 50 'C' Studs



#### 3. Fixing Gypframe metal studwork together

- Use Gyproc Wafer Head Drywall Screws
- Available in 13mm lengths, these screws are ideal for fixing Gypframe 'C' Studs into Gypframe Floor & Ceiling Channels

# Handy pocket guides

We've updated our range of pocket guides, so you can have all the info to hand when you need it most.

## Guide to domestic renovation

If housing refurb is your specialism, then this guide will come in really handy. It focuses on some of the key areas of the Building Regulations, such as:

- Creating internal partitions or separating walls that comply with Approved Document E
- Lining cavity walls, solid walls and loft spaces to achieve optimum thermal performances and comply with Approved Document L
- Building loft conversions and integral garages to comply with Approved Document B



You'll also find useful information on using different plasterboards, including:

- Gyproc WallBoard DUPLEX for controlling moisture laden air in bathrooms and kitchens
- Glasroc F MULTIBOARD and its unique properties which allow it to be used for soffit linings, boiler cupboards and creating curved partitions

## Installation guide

You'll probably be familiar with some of the methods in this guide, but you'll also find it covers many alternative and cost-effective methods of creating wall and ceiling linings, partitions and separating walls and floors. With useful product lists, installation options, step-by-step instructions and pointers on meeting Building Regulations, this guide is a must!



## Finishing guide

To complete the set, the Finishing guide gives an overview of different methods of achieving those beautifully smooth ceilings and walls. If you've never tried jointing or plastering before, this will give you a taster for more!



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# BladeRunner competition

The Gyproc BladeRunner is a revolutionary new way to cut plasterboard. The unique tool cuts both sides of the board simultaneously, reducing the risk of accidents and halving the time it takes to cut.

- Halves cutting time
- No exposed blades
- Cuts curves, shapes and corners with ease
- Cuts 12.5mm and 15mm Gyproc plasterboards
- Neat professional finish
- Long lasting blades



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# Product focus

## New Gyproc No-Coat

The new Gyproc No-Coat Ultraflex 325 is a unique jointing tape that gives a crisp and totally straight finish when drylining any internal or external angle joint.

It's not only precise, but also fast! As the name suggests, it's not necessary to coat the whole outer paper surface, saving time on application and drying.

The extra wide wings of the tape give excellent crack resistance and allow most dents to 'pop' back out, giving a longer lasting finish.

And to top it off, it can flex to all sorts of angles, allowing you to complete even the most awkward corners with ease.

### Key benefits for you:

1. Gives a high definition to all angles, allowing you to achieve the best finish possible
2. Faster turnaround time, from getting the tape on the wall to the final finish, giving you more time for other jobs
3. Reduces the amount of jointing compound required, saving you money
4. One tape suits all angles, and in boxes of 30 metres, that saves valuable space in the van

And to make it even simpler, the new Gyproc No-Coat Ultraflex 325 can be used with any of the Gyproc range of jointing compounds.

