

# **Baumit openContact**



- Highly vapour permeable
- New build and refurbishment
- Aerated lime

Product:	Factory prepared mineral based, natural white, vapour-permeable dry powder adhesive and basecoat render mortar. Suitable for manual and machine application. A system component for the Baumit openSystem external wall Insulation system. Tested according to ETAG 004.		
Use:	<ul> <li>Dual purpose contact mortar: As an adhesive for bonding Baumit facade insulation boards and a thin layer basecoat (with reinforcing mesh) onto Baumit façade insulation boards.</li> </ul>		
Properties:	<ul> <li>Vapour permeable, high bonding strength, water resistant and good workability.</li> </ul>		
Composition:	White cement, organic binders, sands and additives.		
Technical Data:	Aggregate size: Dry bulk density: Thermal conductivity $\lambda$ : Water vapour diffusion resistance $\mu$ value: S <sub>d</sub> : -value: Water requirement: Minimum basecoat thickness: Consumption as basecoat: Consumption as adhesive:	0.6 mm : 1 mm ca. 1350 kg/m <sup>3</sup> ca. 0. 8 W/mK ca. 18 0.05 m (at 3 mm thickness) ca. 6 l/ 25 kg sack Refer to table below ca. $5.0 - 6.0$ kg/m <sup>2</sup> ca. $4.0 - 5.0$ kg/m <sup>2</sup>	
Health and safety:	Please refer to the Material Safety Data Sheet, produced in accordance with Article 31 and Annex II of Regulation No 1907/2006 of the European Parliament and Council from 18.12.2006, available at <u>www.baumit.com</u> or alternatively request the MSDS from the manufacturer.		
Storage:	Store in dry conditions and protected on pallets for up to 12 months.		
Quality Assurance:	In house monitoring through our own laboratories. Third party inspection is carried out through a certified body.		
Packaging:	25 kg bag. 1 pallet = 42 bags = 1050 kg		
Substrate:	Substrates must be sound, clean, dry, free from frost, dust efflorescence and not hydrophobic. Existing mineral and organic based coatings and paints must be sound and well bonded to the substrate (pull off test and/or cross cut test). The background condition and flatness must be inspected according to the guidance set out in the Baumit EWI Installation Guidelines.		



#### Mixing:

Sprinkle the dry powder in to a tub of clean water and mix with an electric hand mixer to a lump free, creamy consistency. Alternatively use a continuous horizontal mixer with a constant water feed. Leave to stand for 5 minutes and remix with the hand mixer. Working time: ca. 1.5 hours. Material which has started setting must not be remixed with water. Mixing with other products (e.g. anti-frost agents or accelerating agents) is not permitted.

# 1. External Wall Insulation System:

### Adhesive application:

A 50mm wide continuous strip of Baumit openContact is applied around the perimeter face of the insulation board and 3 equally spaced hand-sized adhesive dabs through the centre line. The adhesive layer must be 10 -20 mm thick and provide a bonding contact of at least 40%. Deviations in the background flatness of up to +/- 10 mm can be accommodated in the adhesive layer.

## Mechanical fixings:

Refer to the Baumit EWI Installation Guidelines and Product Data Sheets for the insulation boards.

## **Basecoat and reinforcement:**

After sufficient hardening of the adhesive layer the insulation boards can be sanded down and the dust removed. Baumit openContact is applied to the boards with a stainless steel notched trowel (10 mm notches).

Continuous sheets of openTex reinforcing mesh are placed onto the Baumit openContact, free of creases and with 100 mm overlapping edges. A further 1-2mm of Baumit openContact is applied wet on wet over the embedded Baumit openTex reinforcing mesh. The Baumit openTex reinforcing mesh must be covered with at least 1 mm (0.5 - 3 mm max. at the overlapping edges) of Baumit openContact. Excessive trowelling is to be avoided. Trowel lines are to be removed after hardening. The overall basecoat thickness must be from 3 - 6 mm.

Nominal	Minimal thickness	Mean value <sup>1)</sup> in	Position of the
thickness in mm	in mm	mm	reinforcing mesh
3	2	≥ 2.5	Middle of layer

<sup>1)</sup> Typical mean values from random sample testing (min. 5 single values) of hardened mortar.

In addition to the quoted standards, the current guidelines for installing External Wall Insulation Systems must be observed!

Further Information: The air, material and background temperature must be above +5° C during application and curing. Protect the facade from direct sunlight, rain and strong winds (i.e. with scaffold nets). High air humidity and low temperatures can prolong drying times considerably.

Façade insulations boards which have been exposed to UV radiation (sunlight) for more than 2 weeks (yellowing of the board surfaces) must be sanded down and the dust removed before the application of the contact mortar.

After application leave to dry for 3 days minimum<sup>1)</sup> before applying further coatings. It is important that the coating appears uniformly dry with no damp areas (dark patches).

1) Based on an ambient temperature of +20  $^{\circ}$  C and relative humidity  $\leq$  70%. Unfavourable weather conditions may prolong the setting time

#### Baumit topcoats:

Baumit openPrimer with Baumit NanoporTop Baumit openPrimer with Baumit openTop

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