



## Less Mess™ Multi-Purpose Joint Compound

Gyprock Less Mess Multi-Purpose Joint Compound is a semi lightweight pre-mixed formulation designed for easier application and sanding. Less Mess Multi-purpose Joint Compound features Less Mess Technology resulting in over 80%\* less airborne dust generated when sanding compared to the standard DIY jointing compound.

### Recommended Use

Gyprock Less Mess Multi-purpose Joint Compound can be used for all coats in a three-coat plasterboard or fibre cement jointing system. The Less Mess technology and 24 hour drying time make the compound ideal for home DIY jobs and plasterboard repairs. Gyprock Less Mess Multi-Purpose Joint Compound is suitable for internal wall and ceiling applications, or as a topping compound over Wet Area Base Coat in areas subject to moisture or high humidity.

### Important

- Do not apply a setting compound over Less Mess Multi-Purpose Joint Compound.
- Ensure previous coats of compound are thoroughly dry before application of subsequent coats.
- If liquid has separated from compound, remix with clean tools.
- Ensure surfaces are clean from dust or dirt.
- Before use, remix to a smooth creamy consistency.
- Always use clean tools.
- Replace lid when not in use.

### Storage

Store buckets of compound in a dry environment out of direct sunlight. Remove lid and stir prior to use. Unused product should be stored by resealing the original bucket. Remix prior to use. Discard if drying has commenced.

\*As tested by Safe Environments Pty Ltd, November 2019



### Product Features



#### DIY

Professional quality in convenient pack sizes.



#### Less Prep

Less preparation



#### Easy Sanding

Less effort sanding



#### Easy Clean Up

Less Mess to Clean Up

#### Australian Made



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| Gyprock Less Mess Multi-Purpose Joint Compound Specifications |  |
|---|--|
| Feature   | Description  |
| Colour  | Off White  |
| Packaging   | 2.25kg, 4.5kg and 12kg Re-sealable pail  |
| Shelf Life  | 12 months from date of manufacture   |
| Specific Gravity  | 1.2 - 1.5  |
| VOC Content (as specified by GBCA)                            | 3g/L as VOC content per material   |
| Product Manufacture   | Gyprock Less Mess Multi-Purpose Joint Compound is manufactured by CSR Gyprock in Australia and made to stringent product specifications. |

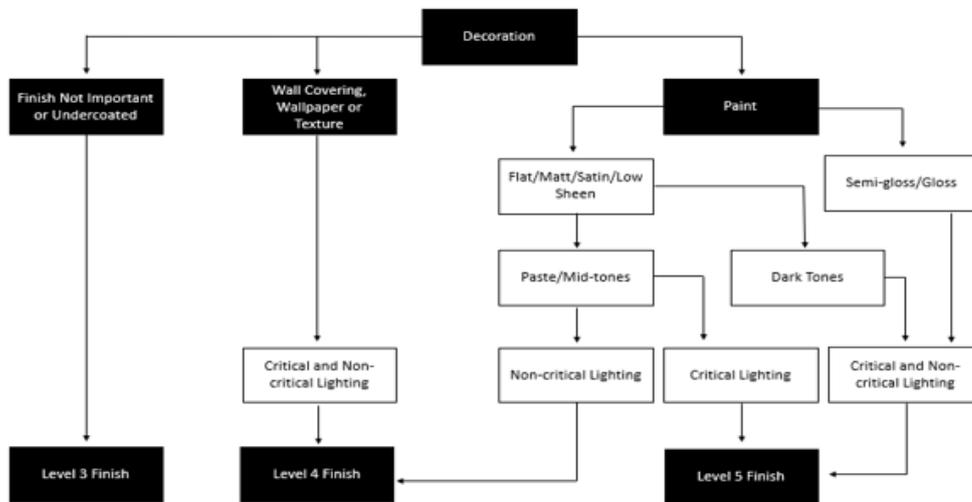


## Plasterboard Finishing

Jointing and finishing of Gyprock plasterboard interior installations is to be carried out in accordance with **FIGURE 1** and **TABLE 1** in this document, and the following details, so as to provide a smooth surface for decorating. Stopping and external corner beads are to be applied to all edges subject to damage. A Level 4 Finish is generally the accepted level of finish for residential construction as detailed in AS/NZS2589.1 and is also recommended for commercial construction. This requires a three-coat system, consisting of:

- Tape and tape coat
- Second coat and
- Finish (or topping) coat.

**FIGURE 1: SELECTING A LEVEL OF FINISH**



**TABLE 1: JOINTING COMPOUND SELECTION – HAND OR MECHANICAL**

| Tape Coat<br>Any of the following: |             | Second Coat<br>Any of the following: |             | Finish Coat<br>Any of the following: |             |
|------------------------------------|-------------|--------------------------------------|-------------|--------------------------------------|-------------|
| Product                            | Recoat Time | Product                              | Recoat Time | Product                              | Recoat Time |
| Base Coat 20*                      | 35 mins     | Base Coat 20*                        | 35 mins     | Jointmaster                          | 24 hr       |
| Base Coat 45*                      | 60 mins     | Base Coat 45*                        | 60 mins     | Ultra-Top                            | 24 hr       |
| Base Coat 60*                      | 80mins      | Base Coat 60*                        | 80mins      | Gold                                 | 24 hr       |
| Base Coat 90*                      | 120mins     | Base Coat 90*                        | 120mins     | Easy-Finish                          | 24 hr       |
| Ultra-Base MR 60*                  | 75 mins     | Ultra-Base MR 60*                    | 75 mins     | Easy-Flow                            | 24 hr       |
| Easy Base                          | 24 hr       | Easy Base                            | 24 hr       | Less Mess Multi-Purpose              | 24 hr       |
| Less Mess Multi-Purpose            | 24 hr       | Less Mess Multi-Purpose              | 24 hr       |                                      |             |
| Easy- Flow                         | 24 hr       | Easy-Flow                            | 24 hr       |                                      |             |
| Wet Area Base Coat                 | 12-24 hr    | Wet Area Base Coat                   | 12-24 hr    |                                      |             |

\*Setting type compound. Do not use a setting compound over a drying type compound.  
For protected exterior applications, use Wet Area Base Coat or Ultra-Base MR 60 for tape and second coat, followed by a Gyprock Finish Coat.

## Application

### Bedding Coat

1. Fill recess evenly and fully with compound.
2. Bed in Gyprock Perforated Paper Tape centrally over the joint and cover lightly with compound. Ensure at least 1mm thickness of compound is under the tape.
3. Bed tapes to butt joints and internal corner angles.
4. Cover all metal beads and fastener heads.
5. Allow Less Mess Multi-Purpose Joint Compound to dry and harden for approximately 24 hours (depending upon atmospheric conditions).

### Second Coat

1. Apply a second coat of Less Mess Multi-Purpose Joint Compound to:
  - a) Recessed edge joints to a width of about 180mm.
  - b) Butt joints to a width of about 400mm.
  - c) Metal corner beads to a width of about 200mm.
  - d) Fastener heads.
2. Allow adequate time before recoating.

### Finishing Coat

For all joints except where tiles are to be applied.

1. Apply a thin coat of Less Mess Multi-Purpose Joint Compound wide enough to conceal the previously coated joint. Feather the edges of the compound with a trowel.
2. Cover previously coated fastener heads, overlapping about 25mm.

## Sanding

Allow Less Mess Multi-Purpose Joint Compound to dry for at least 24 hours. Sand to a smooth finish using 180 grit sandpaper or 180-220 grit sanding mesh.

## Painting

Apply all paints in accordance with paint manufacturer's recommendations.



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## Installing to Standards

Installing to Standards AS/NZS2589: Gypsum linings – Application and Finishing outlines the procedures for jointing and finishing of Gyprock plasterboard in conjunction with additional details contained in Gyprock Technical Literature.

## Health and Safety

Refer to the Safety Data Sheet for this product which is available from [www.gyprock.com.au](http://www.gyprock.com.au) or contact:

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Australia Phone: **131 744**  
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## Resources

For further information on this product please visit [www.gyprock.com.au](http://www.gyprock.com.au) or refer to the Gyprock Red Book. For technical support, contact:

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## Manufactured For Life Warranty

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