

This instruction is specifically designed for installing DESARDI wallcovering in wet areas or environments in direct contact with water, such as shower cabins or even outdoor spaces.

Specified product: DESARDI® Eco Glass Fibre (available in 210g or 265g)

Printing: The wallpaper panels should be printed without overlapping the graphics

Recommended adhesive: MAPEI Ultrabond Eco Décor Wet Adhesive

Recommended protective coating: MAPEI Mapecoat Décor Protection



Introduction

DESARDI® Eco Glass Fibre is especially intended for the use in wet and damp areas such as bathrooms, shower cabinets, wellness centres, kitchens, and gyms. The fibreglass composition of woven glass fibers are robust, long-lasting and completely resistant to the growth of mold. When used in combination with a waterproof adhesive system and protective finish it forms a complete and safe solution.

Installation instructions

Preparing the wall

1. Make sure the wall is even, clean, smooth and completely dry.
2. To smoothen an existing shower wall during renovation, such as old ceramic tiles, the joints need to be filled with a smoothing sealant first. We recommend applying the ready-to-use smoothing compound "MAPEI Planiprep 4 LVT" or "MAPEI Planiprep Contract". This cementitious smoothing compound is especially created for the use in wet areas and for non-absorbent substrates. There are other brands on the market available, ask for expert advice in your local hardware store.

Applying the adhesive

3. Inspect the wall, check the material and decide where to start
4. Apply "MAPEI Ultrabond Eco Décor Wet Adhesive" to the surface of the wall with a suitable smooth trowel. This is a special adhesive for decorative fiberglass and vinyl wallcovering in wet areas.

Installation of the wallcovering

5. Position and place the dry, printed wallpaper panels side by side, without overlapping using a wallpaper spatula and perfectly aligning the graphics.
6. Close the joints with the spatula in vertical direction and remove the excess adhesive, ensuring not to damage the printed graphics. Any small halos, due to the presence of glue will subsequently be covered with the protective adhesive in the next steps.
7. Remove the abundance of panels with the use of a sharp cutter. Always move the spatula while keeping the knife in cut.

Applying the waterproof protective layer

8. About two hours after installing the printed wallpaper graphics, apply a crossed coat of the two component protective finish "MAPEI Mapecoat Décor Protection" with a short-haired roller. The product must be used within two hours of mixing.

Use a waterproof silicone sealant to neatly finish all corners and seams.

Washing and care

9. Once the protective resin has been applied and the wallcovering is completely dry, it can be cleaned using a mild soap. For more stubborn dirt, similar cleaning solvents could be used. Do not use acids, which could compromise the protective layer applied in step 8.

Extra note: Please carefully read the technical instructions of the MAPEI products before installation. These are available for download on www.mapei.com