

Finishes

# SHEETROCK® DUST CONTROL LIGHTWEIGHT FINISHING COMPOUND



FINISHING  
COAT



HAND &  
MECHANICAL  
TOOLS



SANDABLE

## Description

**Sheetrock® Dust Control** is a lightweight, premixed finishing compound designed for use as the final coat over plasterboard joints.

A new and unique formula that reduces the amount of respirable airborne dust during sanding.

## Advantages

- Faster mixing time. When additional water is necessary, Sheetrock Dust Control Lightweight Finishing Compound mixes with less effort than conventional compounds; accepts water more quickly to reduce mixing time
- Better slip, excellent bond. Features superior ease of handling, good crack-resistance, and excellent adhesion
- Less spills and waste. Better consistency minimises compound spillage and reduces risk of staining woodwork
- Low shrinkage for finer finishing. Factory-controlled shrinkage results in finer finished work, but without the extra labour normally required by conventional ready-mixed products

## Recommended

Final coat of plasterboard joints, angles and fastener heads when used in conjunction with USG Boral's Jointing compounds.

## Preparation

Position and apply plasterboard in accordance with USG Boral's recommendations. In cold weather and during plasterboard joint finishing, temperatures within the building should be maintained at a minimum of 13°C (55°F). Adequate ventilation should be provided to carry off excess moisture.

Mix contents lightly without adding water. Use directly from container for covering fasteners and corner bead. Cannot be used for taping in finishing joints (especially for use with mechanical tools), thin as necessary. Add water in 250ml increments to avoid overthinning. Remix lightly and test apply after each water addition.

### Application

Ensure base coats (first and second coats) are set and dry.

- Scrape to remove any rough spots or lumps
- Using a trowel or joint knife, apply a coat of finishing compound, feathering out approximately 25mm beyond edges of the base coat

- Allow a minimum of 24 hours to dry (longer in cold or wet weather conditions)
- When dry, lightly sand to a smooth finish with sanding mesh or 180-grit sandpaper

### Decorating

For priming and decorating with paint, texture or wallcovering, follow manufacturer's directions for materials used. Always use a high quality primer before painting. All surfaces must be dry, dust-free and not glossy. Walls to be covered with wallpaper or vinyl wallcovering should be sealed per manufacturer's recommendations.

To improve concealment where walls and ceilings will be subjected to severe artificial or natural critical lighting, the plasterboard surface should be skimmed to achieve a Level 5 Finish.

### Product Data

**Material:**

Vinyl-type formulation

**Types:**

Hand or mechanical application. Freezing Sensitivity: Protect from freezing

**Coverage:**

Approx. 38.3L/100 sqm of plasterboard

**Storage:**

Shelf life up to nine months under good storage conditions

- SHEETROCK® Dust Control should be stored under cover in a dry environment and protected from temperature extremes
- Check product date-codes periodically. Rotate stock on first-in, first-out basis. Close container after each use. Keep tightly sealed

**Packaging:**

13.2L plastic pails

### Limitations

1. Protect container from freezing, exposure to extreme heat and direct sunlight.
2. The application of Dust Control compound at interior temperatures less than 10°C is not recommended.
3. Under cold or wet weather conditions, allow more than 24 hours for thorough drying.
4. When diluting Dust Control do not vigorously over-mix as this can introduce air bubbles which can result in surface imperfections.
5. Do not apply Dust Control over joints that are not thoroughly dry. This may result in pinholes.
6. Do not use sandpaper lower than 180-grit; take care to avoid scratching when sanding.
7. Inclusion of other materials to the mix will impair the performance (e.g., reduce strength and adhesion).

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