

# am skim

#### **DESCRIPTION**

**am** SKIM is a cement based skim coat which is suitable for plastered surfaces, precast ceiling components and other concrete surfaces for internal and external applications. It comes in both grey and white colours.

**am** SKIM is designed to provide a smooth durable finish together with excellent adhesion strength. It meets the stringent architectural requirements for high quality and fine finishes.

#### **USES**

**am** SKIM is highly recommended for all type of concrete substrates such as precast ceilings, lightweight panel, walls, columns and beams. It is also excellent for lightweight autoclaved aerated blocks, blockwalls and plastered surfaces.

#### **ADVANTAGES**

- · Premixed to ensure high consistent quality.
- · Convenience in handling.
- Same amount of water is added to achieve consistency in workability.
- · Easy Mixing and application.
- · Excellent bond strength.
- High durability and good weather resistance.
- Cleaning limited to just disposing used paper bag.

#### METHOD OF USE

#### **Surface Preparation**

Ensure that dust, oil and foreign materials are removed. Site practices like washing of the substrate a day before plastering is highly encouraged. Dampen dry concrete surface before application.

#### **Mixing**

Add approximately 11.6 litres of water to 40kg of **am** SKIM. Mix thoroughly using an electrical paddle mixer for 3 minutes until a homogenous slurry paste is achieved. When it is free of lump, the skim coat is ready for use.

## Application

**am** SKIM is applied using a steel trowel or it can be machine sprayed. After mixing, it will remain workable for approximately 60 minutes. Do not add additional water to existing unused skim coat mix.

If **am** SKIM is to be applied onto a plastered surface, it can do so once the plastered surface has achieved initial set.

**am** SKIM allows for both trowelled and brush finish.

#### **HANDLING**

**am** SKIM should be stored in a dry place. In case of eye contact, wash with plenty of water. If irritation persists, seek immediate medical attention.

SPECIFICATIONS	
Water Powder Ratio	Approximately 0.29 (or 11.6 litres of water per 40kg bag)
Appearance	Grey or White
Water Retentivity	>95 % (BS 4551 : Part 1 : 1998)
Consistency	Homogeneous mortar paste
Binder	Cement
Filler	Graded Calcium Carbonate
Additives	Polymer for workability, water retention and adhesion
Density	1260 kg/m³ 1510 kg/m³
Recommended Thickness	1mm to 3mm per layer of application. For layers exceeding 5mm of thickness, <b>am</b> RENDER is recommended prior to finishing with <b>am</b> SKIM.

### **CONSUMPTION**

A 40kg bag yields approximately 34 litres of **am** SKIM mix.

#### **PACKING**

**am** SKIM comes in 40 kg bag at 40 bags per pallet.

#### **SHELF LIFE**

If stored in cool and dry place, the shelf life of **am** SKIM is approximately 12 months from date of manufacture in unopened bags.





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