

Mapegrout T40

Medium strength (40 N/mm²), fibre reinforced, thixotropic grout for repairing concrete



WHERE TO USE

Repair of degraded vertical or horizontal concrete surfaces with mortar possessing medium mechanical performance characteristics.

Some application examples

- Repair of degraded concrete surfaces, corners of pillars and beams, balconies damaged by rusted reinforcing bars.
- Repairs to diaphragms and tunnels.
- Concrete linings for canals and hydraulic projects.
- Reconstruction of concrete coverings of reinforcing bars.
- Repair of surface irregularities including exposed aggregate, joints between new and old concrete, holes in formwork concrete, protruding steel, etc.
- Filling of rigid joints.

TECHNICAL CHARACTERISTICS

Mapegrout T40 is a premixed powdered mortar composed of cement, graded aggregates and special additives manufactured from a formula developed in the MAPEI Research Laboratories.

When mixed with water **Mapegrout T40** forms an easy to apply thixotropic mortar that can be applied without slumping even in substantial thicknesses on vertical surfaces without formwork.

When fully cured, **Mapegrout T40**:

- has moderate flexural and compressive strength;
- has a modulus of elasticity, thermal expansion coefficient and permeability coefficient similar to that of medium quality concrete;
- is waterproof;
- has excellent adhesion to existing concrete surfaces provided they are saturated with water and reinforcing bars are first treated with **Mapefer** or **Mapefer 1K**.

If **Mapegrout T40** is prepared by only adding water, it

must be cured under damp conditions in order to guarantee that the product's expansive properties develop completely and correctly. However, it is not very easy to guarantee that these conditions are created on site. Therefore, to guarantee that the expansive properties of **Mapegrout T40** take place when drying in the open air, 0.25-0.5% of **Mapecure SRA**, a special additive which has the property of reducing both plastic and hydraulic shrinkage, may be used to great advantage by adding it to the mix.

Mapecure SRA has a very important role to play, in guaranteeing better curing of mortar. Also, when mixed with **Mapegrout T40**, it may be considered a technologically advanced system, in that the additive has the capacity of slowing down evaporation of the water and of promoting the development of hydration reactions.

Mapecure SRA behaves like an internal curing agent and, thanks to its interaction with some of the main components which make up the cement, it helps to reduce shrinkage by between 20% and 50% compared with the standard values of the product without the additive. This will obviously lead to a lower incidence of cracking phenomena.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- Do not use **Mapegrout T40** to repair structures subject to high compressive loads, high impact or abrasion: use **Mapegrout Thixotropic** or **Mapegrout T60** instead.
- Do not use **Mapegrout T40** when the material has to be pumped over long distances or in the case of large pumping heads (use **Mapegrout Easy Flow**).
- Do not use **Mapegrout T40** on smooth concrete surfaces. Roughen the surface thoroughly and add reinforcing if necessary.

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- Do not use **Mapegrout T40** for anchoring (use **Mapefill**).
- Do not pour **Mapegrout T40** for pumping into formwork (use **Mapegrout Hi-flow**).
- Do not add cement or admixtures to **Mapegrout T40**.
- Do not add water once the mix has begun to set.
- Do not use **Mapegrout T40** at temperatures lower than +5°C.
- Do not use **Mapegrout T40** if the bag has been damaged or already opened.

HOW TO USE

Substrate preparation

- Remove degraded and loose concrete until the substrate is solid, resistant and rough. Any previous repair work that is no longer thoroughly bonded must also be removed.
- Sandblast the concrete and the reinforcing bars until they are free of dirt, rust, cement laitance, grease, oil, varnish or old paint.
- Saturate the substrate with water. Before repairing with **Mapegrout T40**, wait until the excess water has evaporated. To facilitate the elimination of free water, use compressed air if needed.

Preparing the mortar

Pour into the mixer the amount of water needed to obtain the consistency required for the application.

APPLICATION	LITRES OF WATER per 25-kg BAG
Trowel	from 3.75 to 4.0
Spray	from 3.9 to 4.1

- Start the mixer and slowly add the **Mapegrout T40** to the water in a continuous flow.
- If improved open-air curing of the mortar is required, add **Mapecure SRA** at the end of the mixing phase at a dosage of between 0.25% and 0.5% in weight of the mortar (0.25-0.5 kg every 100 kg of **Mapegrout T40**).
- Mix for 1 to 2 minutes, then make sure the mix is well blended. Scrape any unblended powder from the bottom and the sides of the mixer. Mix again for another 2 to 3 minutes.
- Either a cement mixer or a drill equipped with a mixing attachment may be used, according to the amount of material to be prepared. Mixing must be carried out at low speeds, to avoid air being entrapped in the mix.
- Avoid mixing manually unless absolutely necessary. If so, mix small amounts at a time for at least 5 to 6 minutes until a completely homogeneous paste is obtained. Keep in mind that mixing by hand requires a larger amount of water. This adversely affects several of the mortar's characteristics, including mechanical strength, shrinkage, impermeability, etc.

Mapegrout T40 remains workable for approximately 1 hour at +20°C.

The expansion of **Mapegrout T40** is calculated to compensate for plastic shrinkage. For it to be effective, the substrate needs to be adequately reinforced with rebars or forms.

Applying **Mapegrout T40** without formwork in thicknesses of more than 2 cm should be done only after reinforcing and roughening the surface of the concrete, taking care to cover the reinforcement with a layer at least 2 cm thick.

Lower thicknesses can be applied without reinforcing as long as the substrate has been substantially roughened to counter the expansion. The expansion phase ends during the first days of curing.

Application procedure

The mortar can be applied with a trowel or spray without formwork even on vertical surfaces or ceilings in maximum thicknesses of 30 to 35 mm per layer.

Mapegrout T40 can also be spray applied, using Turbosol, Putzmeister or Continental type equipment. Reinforcing bars must be previously treated with **Mapefer** or **Mapefer 1K** before applying the **Mapegrout T40**.

Where necessary, apply a second layer of **Mapegrout T40** before the previous layer has finished setting (within 4 hours at +23°C). The complete repair cycle calls for smoothing with **Monofinish**, **Mapefinish**, **Planitop 100** or **Mapelastick**, and then painting with **Elastocolor Paint**.

Precautions to be taken during and after application

- Only use sacks of **Mapegrout T40** which have been stored on their original pallets and covered and stored in a dry place.
- In warm weather do not expose the material to direct sunlight. Use cold water to prepare the mix. Store in a cool place.
- At low temperatures, prepare the mix with water heated to approx. +20°C.

After applying **Mapegrout T40**, we recommend that it is cured carefully, especially in hot or windy weather, to avoid



Degraded building façade in need of repair



Spray application of Mapegrout T40

TECHNICAL DATA (typical values)

PRODUCT IDENTIFICATION

Consistency:	powder
Colour:	grey
Bulk density (kg/m³):	1250
Maximum diameter of aggregate (mm):	2.5
Dry solid content (%):	100
Storage:	12 months in a dry place in original packaging
Hazard classification according to EC 99/45:	irritant. Before using refer to the "Safety instructions for preparation and application" paragraph and the information on the packing and Safety Data Sheet
Customs class:	3824 50 90

APPLICATION DATA at +23°C and 50% R.H.

Colour of mix:	grey
Mix ratio:	100 parts Mapegrout T40 with 15 to 16 parts water when applied with a trowel; 100 parts Mapegrout T40 with 15.5 to 16.5 parts water when sprayed on.
Consistency of mix:	plastic-thixotropic
Flow according to UNI 7044/72 (kg/m³) (%):	from 60 to 90
Density of the mixture (kg/m³):	2150
pH of mix:	12.8
Application temperature:	from +5°C to +35°C
Workability of mix:	60 minutes
Drying time between layers:	maximum 4 hours
Maximum thickness per layer (mm):	from 30 to 35

FINAL PERFORMANCE DATA

Mechanical characteristics:	Tests of compressive and flexural strength were performed on mortar samples 4x4x16 cm prepared and cured in compliance with EN 196/1. The Mapegrout T40 was mixed with 16% water (curing +20°C / 95% R.H.)
Compressive strength (N/mm²): – after 1 day: – after 3 days: – after 7 days: – after 28 days:	10 25 30 40
Flexural strength (N/mm²): – after 1 day: – after 3 days: – after 7 days: – after 28 days:	2 5 6 7
Adhesion to substrate measured on damp concrete (N/mm²): – after 7 days at +23°C + 50% RH: – after 21 days (7 days at +23°C - 50% RH + 14 days at +60°C): – after 28 days (7 days at +23°C + 50% RH + 21 days in water at +20°C):	≥ 1.5 ≥ 1.5 ≥ 1.5
Compressive modulus of elasticity (UNI 6556) (N/mm²): – after 28 days:	23,000



Finishing of Mapegrout T40



Repairing a balcony with Mapegrout T40

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the water evaporating too quickly and causing the formation of surface cracks due to plastic shrinkage. Spray water on the surface 8-12 hours after applying the mortar, and repeat the operation (every 3-4 hours) for at least the first 48 hours. As an alternative, after tamping the mortar, spread on a layer of either **Mapecure E** anti-evaporation treatment in watery emulsion with a low-pressure pump, **Mapecure S** solvent-based curing film for mortar and concrete or **Elastocolor Primer** solvent-based, high-penetration primer for absorbent substrates and curing agent for repair mortar. **Mapecure E** and **Mapecure S**, as with all the best quality products in the same category which are currently available on the market, impede bonding of successive dressing layers. Therefore, if a smoothing layer or paint is to be applied later, they must be completely removed by sandblasting. If **Elastocolor Primer** is used as an anti-evaporation treatment, on the other hand, a final protective layer of **Elastocolor Paint** or **Elastocolor Rasante** may be applied directly on the treated surface without having to remove it.

Cleaning

Mortar that has not yet hardened can be removed from tools with water. After setting, cleaning is very difficult and can only be done mechanically.

CONSUMPTION

Approx. 18.5 kg/m² per cm of thickness.

PACKAGING

25-kg bags.

STORAGE

Store in a dry, sheltered place.

Manufactured in compliance with the regulations of the 2003/53/EC Directive.

SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS FOR PREPARATION AND INSTALLATION

Contains cement that, when in contact with sweat or other body fluids, produces an irritant alkaline reaction and a sensitising reaction in those who are subject to such a complaint.

It is highly recommended to use gloves and eye protection.

For further information refer to the Safety Data Sheet.

FOR PROFESSIONALS.

WARNING

Although the technical details and recommendations contained in this report correspond to the best of our knowledge and experience, all the above information must, in every case be taken as merely indicative and subject to confirmation after long-term practical applications; for this reason, anyone who intends to use the product must ensure beforehand that it is suitable for the envisaged application. In every case, the user alone is fully responsible for any consequences deriving from the use of the product.

All relevant references of the product are available upon request

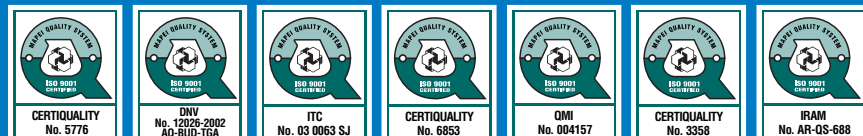


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