

HOT WEATHER GROUTING TIPS

Grout loses moisture too rapidly when curing in hot and dry weather. When this happens, the grout will not dry hard and may also dry an uneven color.

- ▶ Use a polymer-modified grout, such as Polyblend® or Prism® to retain moisture and promote proper drying conditions.
- ▶ Keep it cool. Use cool water to mix grout powder; never use hot or warm water. Keep ice on hand to cool down the water. Keep the grout bags and mixing container cool.
- ▶ Do not mix the grout with excessive amounts of water or remix with additional water. This will cause a lighter, soft and powdery grout.
- ▶ Avoid mid-day grouting in extreme heat. Grout in the early morning or late afternoon when temperatures are cooler.
- ▶ Dampen the tile with clean, cool water prior to grouting. This prevents porous tile from drawing the moisture out of the grout too rapidly and helps to cool down the tile.
- ▶ Cover or damp cure. Cover the installation with 30 lb. non-staining Kraft paper for 72 hours. Periodically lift the paper and lightly mist the grout with clean, cool water.

RELATED PRODUCTS

Polyblend® Grout

Prism® SureColor® Grout

The information in this bulletin is presented in good faith, but no warranty, express or implied, is given nor is freedom from any patent in as much as any assistance furnished by CUSTOM® with reference to the safe use and disposal of its products provided without charge. Custom® Building Products assumes no obligation or liability therefore, except to the extent that any such assistance shall be given in good faith.



Technical Bulletin
Technical Services 800-282-8786
custombuildingproducts.com