

# THAWING FROZEN EPOXY GROUTS

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## **CEG-Lite™ Commercial 100% Solids Epoxy Grout and CEG-IG™ Industrial Grade 100% Solids Epoxy Grout**

All epoxy grouts, including CEG-Lite and CEG-IG, will stiffen and freeze in cold conditions. This impacts product not stored in temperature controlled warehouses or shipped in temperature controlled trucks. Freezing will not permanently damage the grout. However, it must be thawed to 70°F (21°C) prior to use. The best way to thaw the grout is to place the sealed container in warm tap water at approximately 120°F (49°C). It may take several hours to raise the temperature to 70°F (21°C) and may require frequent changes of warm water to hasten the process. CAUTION: High water temperatures may create a scalding risk. Once the epoxy is at a useable temperature, each container should be thoroughly mixed prior to combining the two components.

Even if the grout is not frozen, application in cold temperatures can affect the spreadability of the grout. Be sure to consider the ambient room temperature and the temperature of the tile when applying epoxy grouts since the surface temperature of the tile may be much lower than the air temperature. Using warm water can help significantly with the joint shaping and clean-up process when cold weather means that product, tile and substrate cannot be kept in the recommended temperature range.

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