

GLAZED TILES

Installation Guide

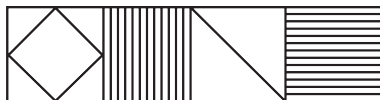
For appropriate tile installation, it is important that the installer carefully read this guide before starting the task. The installation must be made by a duly qualified installer.

1. Considerations prior to tile installation

- 1.1. For a perfect tile installation, the surface where it will be laid must be perfectly clean, regular and firm.
- 1.2. Before starting to apply the tiles, we recommend that you observe all the faces of the tiles and mix them together. This procedure ensures a balanced distribution of the different shades that exist in your tile batch.

2. Tile laying process

- 2.1. The application of the tile must be carried out by applying adhesive cement with a wide notched trowel on the support surface.
- 2.2. The tile installation must be done by aligning and firmly pressing each piece against the cement adhesive. This process will be easier if you use X tile spacers for proper spacing.
- 2.3. You must level manually piece by piece according to your application. For this purpose and if necessary, a soft rubber mallet can be used but never tools that by their nature can damage the material.
- 2.4. During laying, the grout joint size between the tiles can vary between 1mm to 4mm. The choice of grout joint size varies according to tile alignment needs (being manual they can offer greater irregularity) or for reasons of stereotomy.
- 2.5. Whenever it is necessary to make a cut in the tile, a cutting disc for ceramic with water or a tile cutter must be used.



3. Filling the tile grout joints

- 3.1.** The joint grout filling of the tiles must begin 24 hours after laying.
- 3.2.** The joint filling must be done with a rubber trowel in order to minimize possible damage to the tile surface. Excess grout from joint filling must be immediately removed with a clean, damp sponge.

4. Final work cleaning of the tiles

- 4.1.** After the filling and drying of the joints, a final work wash should be carried out. Wash the tiles with water and soap or neutral pH detergent. To remove resistant grout residues from the tile surface, a damp sponge should be used.

5. Tile maintenance and cleaning

- 5.1.** The tiles must be washed using water and soap or neutral pH detergent, ideally biodegradable and environmentally friendly. Washing allows to remove dirt and keep surfaces clean and hygienic.
- 5.2.** Never use acidic, corrosive or bleaching cleaners on tile coated surfaces.