

GluDown® Construction Adhesive Tilt Up Best Practices

Slab Basics	Allow slab to cure for 3 days. Check Moisture with ASTM D4263
	Seal Coat & Bond Breaker reduce adhesive strength. Clean bonding areas where necessary.
	Poor application and removal of densifiers can prevent adhesives from working properly
Materials	Adhesives Grade
	Moisture Resistant MDF (MR-50), Plastics
	Non-Adhesive Grade
	MDO, Non-Moisture Resistant MDF, Raw Wood
Application	Slab Preparation
	Use Broom and Leaf Blower to remove dust, dirt and debris
	Chalk Lines
	 Applying Bond Breaker over chalk lines will cause adhesive to fail
	 Follow an assembly line forming process to make using bond breaker unnecessary
	Solvent Cleaners
	If necessary, wipe bonding area with fast flashing solvent
	 Xylene, Acetone, Denatured Alcohol
	 Wipe area with clean rag to remove excess solvent before applying adhesive
	Never use oil based products such as Mineral Spirits or Lacquer Thinner
	Spray Technique
	Apply adhesive to both substrates
	 Spray in a straight line with a single pass not back and forth. About 80% coverage
	Avoid over application and adhesive bubbling
	Material Bonding
	Attach material moving from one end to the other
	Walk on materials to compress bond.
	Leave gaps between materials to allow for expansion
	Adhesive Strength
	Materials will bond instantly
	Adhesive will reach maximum strength after 24 hours
	To test initial adhesive strength use hand pressure. Do not kick or hit with a blunt object
	Bond Breaker
	Over application of bond breaker to bonded materials can damage the adhesive
Weather	Wet slab
	Dry substrates are critical to bonding success
	Remove surface water with brooms and squeegees
	Dry with leaf blowers
	Materials
	If possible cover materials to prevent exposure to water
	Adhesive Grade Materials
	Wipe dry and use a normal
	Non-Adhesive Grade Materials
	Dry completely before bonding
Cleanup	Tools
	Long handle scrapper
	Riding Trowel Brushes
	Liquids
	Water and/or solvents can be used to soften adhesive for easier removal
	Test solvents before use to ensure they will not stain the slab