### STS Professional Tile Backing Board

The **first** tile backing system with a **lifetime guarantee** 























### Why professionals choose STS Professional Tile Backing Board

The STS Professional Tile Backing Board is the perfect tile backing system for use on solid floors, providing the ideal foundation on which to lay electric underfloor heating. It is the right choice for kitchens, bathrooms and wetrooms, and comes highly recommended by professional tilers.

- Quick and easy to handle, cut and lay
- **High insulation properties**, perfect for solid floors and when using electric underfloor heating
- Strong, therefore ideal for large and heavy tiles
- Water resistant, unlike plywood which weakens when damp
- A lifetime guarantee, providing complete peace of mind

Follow the guidance in this leaflet to learn best practice on installing the STS Professional Tile Backing Board system.

### To Install This Product You Will Need:



Drill



Cloth



Level / Straight Edge



**Tape Measure** 



Fixings (STS Strews and Washers)



MEGA Strength Adhesive



Skeleton Gun



**Utility Knife** 

### If fixing onto solid floors and walls...



Flexible Tile Adhesive



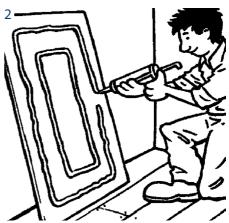
**SBR Primer** 



Roller and Tray

## Over Boarding Timber Floors with STS Professional Tile Backing Board





#### Step 1

Remove any old existing floor coverings, screw down floorboards firmly (timber or chipboard) and sweep clean.

You are now ready for STS Professional Tile Backing Board.

#### Step 2

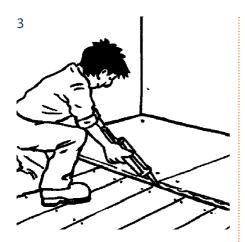
STS Professional Tile Backing Boards are lightweight and easy to handle.

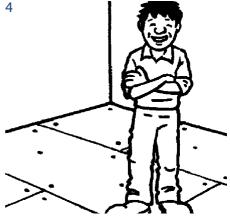
Run two small beads of MEGA Strength around the back of the board.

**Always wear gloves!** 

#### STS Professional Tile Backing Board dimensions:







#### Step 3

Lay the boards down onto the timber floor and screw down firmly using a minimum of 6 STS Stainless Steel Screws and Washers per board.

Apply a small bead of MEGA Strength to the edge of each board to seal and reinforce the joints. Stagger the joints where possible.

#### Step 4

Wipe off all excess MEGA Strength adhesive using a damp cloth and use solvent in case of spillage.

Now you're ready to tile!

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## Over Boarding Solid Floors with STS Professional Tile Backing Board





#### Step 1

Sweep clean, then prime the floor to improve tile adhesion using a sponge to apply SBR (mixed 1 part SBR to 3 parts water).

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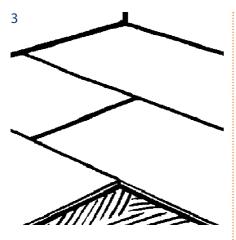
#### Step 2

For best results, lay STS Professional Tile Backing Board on single part flexible, rapid set adhesive.

Apply a small bead of MEGA Strength onto the edges of each board to seal and reinforce the joints.

#### STS Professional Tile Backing Board dimensions:







#### Step 3

Stagger the boards where possible.

Roll out the electric underfloor heating directly onto the STS Professional Tile Backing Boards following instructions provided by the manufacturer.

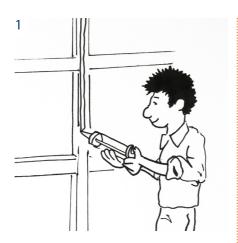
#### Step 4

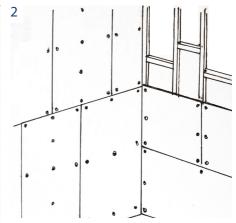
Use rapid set self-levelling floor compound over the electric underfloor heating.

Once set, lay tiles using a single part flexible tile adhesive.

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## Over Boarding Stud Walls with STS Professional Tile Backing Board





#### Step 1

Run a bead of MEGA Strength on all vertical and horizontal joints before fixing the board.

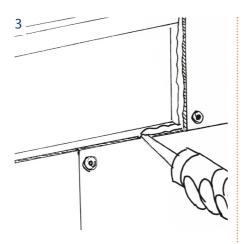
Ensure all edges of the board are supported by studwork or noggins.

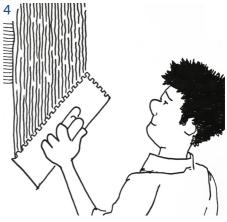
#### Step 2

Fix the boards onto studwork and screw using a minimum of 6 STS Stainless Steel Screws and Washers per board.

#### STS Professional Tile Backing Board dimensions:







#### Step 3

Run a bead of Mega Strength around the edge of the board before offering up the next board. This reinforces and waterproofs the joint, eliminating the need to tape the joints.

Stagger the boards where possible.

Wipe off excess adhesive using a cloth and use solvent in case of spillage.

PRO TIP - Studs to be max 600mm centres with cross noggins on board joints.

#### Step 4

You're now ready to tile onto the wall with your preferred tile adhesive. We would always recommend using a single part flexible bag adhesive.

## Over Boarding Solid Walls with STS Professional Tile Backing Board





#### Step 1

Always start by priming the wall with 1 coat of SBR primer (mix 1 part SBR to 3 parts water).

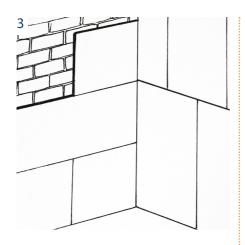
#### Step 2

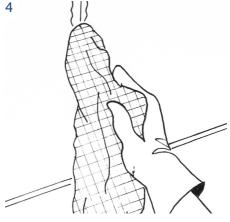
For best results, simply 'dot and dab' using a single part flexible adhesive. The dab depth should be a maximum of 25mm. 5kg of cement powder adhesive should be used per board and this will equate to approximately 30 dabs.

Apply the boards directly to the wall keeping them level, plumb and flat.

#### STS Professional Tile Backing Board dimensions:







#### Step 3

Secure with a minimum of 6 STS Stainless Steel Screws and Washers. Ensure the solid wall is drilled and plugged appropriately to take the fixing.

Apply a small bead of MEGA Strength onto the edges of each board to achieve a waterproof seal.

PRO TIP - MEGA Strength Adhesive will achieve a waterproof seal, so there's no need for tape.

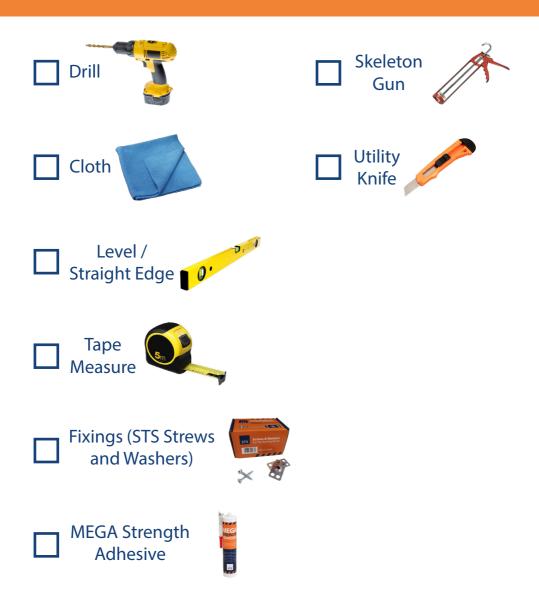
#### Step 4

Wipe off excess MEGA Strength using a damp cloth and use solvent in case of spillage.

Stagger the boards where possible, using a straight edge to keep the boards plumb.

Now you're ready to tile!

# **Installation Checklist**Overboarding Timber Floors and Walls



# **Installation Checklist**Overboarding Solid Floors and Walls



**Installation Notes** 



### STS Professional Tile Backing Board - Guarantee and guidance

#### **Lifetime Guarantee Terms**

The STS Professional Tile Backing Board lifetime guarantee only applies when the correct installation procedures, as set out in our Installation Guide, have been followed and the recommended STS essentials used during installation.

**LIFETIME**GUARANTEE



#### For guidance only

As conditions of use and any labour involved are beyond our control, the end user must satisfy himself by prior testing that the product is suitable for his specific application. No responsibility can be accepted or any warranty given by our representatives, agents or distributors.









#### **Tested and Approved**

Tested and approved: STS Professional Tile Backing Boards with CE approval and low in emissions.



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