## Specification: Tile backer board on an OSB or Chipboard sheet flooring

Product Ref: Marmox Multiboard

**Product Use:** Intermediate substrate to ceramic and stone tiling on a timber sub-floor made of OSB or chipboard.

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**Description:** Extruded polystyrene covered on both sides with fibreglass mesh encased in a c.0.75mm layer of

polymer modified concrete which permanently bonds the mesh to the polystyrene.

**Dimensions** Multiboard: Width = 600mm, Length = 1250mm, Thickness = 4/6/10/12.5/20/30/40/50/60mm

**Properties:** Resistant to external environment and temperatures.

Low thermal conductivity (0.034W/mK) unaffected by moisture. Does not expand or contract as temperature and humidity alters.

Absorbs lateral movement in the sub-floor to reduce the risk of cracking in the paved/tiled surface.

Completely impermeable to water.

Authorities: ISO9001 (Bureau Veritas), Energy Saving Trust Recommended for insulation.

**CE+UK Marking:** EN13164 – T1 –  $CS(10\Y)400 – CC(2/1/10)115 – WL(T)3$ 

Fixing Method: Marmox Multiboard is fixed to this type of floor USING BOTH a continuous bed (3-5mm) of flexible

cement-based tile adhesive and also screws and washers.

- Boards are configured in a brick-bond pattern when possible.
- Apply a continuous bed of cement-based 'flexible grade' (a.k.a. 'C2 grade') tile adhesive to the timber floor using a 6-4mm notched trowel.
- Marmox Multiboard is fixed to the plywood using screws and Marmox washers at 300mm centres (15 fixings per board – irrespective of board thickness).
- Lay subsequent Marmox boards with a small gap of c.2-3mm between boards
- Apply a line of Marmox MSP-360 into the gaps between boards which seals the boards together making a waterproof barrier.
- When the adhesive has cured, add five screws and Marmox washers per board (one in each corner one in the middle).
- A 5mm gap is left between the boards and the wall which is also filled with Marmox MSP-360.
- Reinforcing tape (scrim tape) is applied over the joints just prior to tiling except in extreme wet areas (e.g. where
  there is likely to be standing water) where Marmox self-adhesive Waterproof Tape should be used instead.

## Limitations:

- Compounds containing organic solvents (*including solvent-based tile sealers*) must not be used.
- Temperatures in excess of 75°C are not appropriate.
- Tiles no smaller than 5cm x 5cm should be used on the floor.
- If the floor includes expansion joints, Multiboards must not be fitted over them.