

New and Improved Grout Boost[®] Stain Resistant Grout Additive

PRODUCT DATA

1. Product Name

Grout Boost® stain resistant grout additive

2. Manufacturer

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3. Description

Grout Boost[®] additive mixes with cement-based grout in place of water when grout is installed to provide resistance to water and oil-based grout stains. For interior and exterior use.

Key Benefits and Features

- Stain-proof*
- Mixes in place of water with any standard Portland cement grout
- Grout never needs sealing

Does not affect grout color[†]

*Grout Boost® is stain proof to most common household, residential stains when cleaned immediately.

[†]Grout Boost[®] is mixed with a Portland cement based grout. All Portland cement based products, including grout, have the potential for efflorescence and color shading, which is not considered a manufacturing defect. Grout Boost[®] doesn't cause efflorescence. Refer to tecskillset.com/blog on proper installation techniques to help prevent grout efflorescence.

Coverage

For grout coverage rates, refer to grout manufacturer's published coverages. Grout Boost[®] additive generally will not alter the published coverage rates of grout.

Packaging

27 oz. (798 mL) plastic container	Product #15035999
70 oz. (2.07 L) plastic container	Product #15036001

Storage

Store in a cool, dry location. Do not store in direct sunlight.

Shelf Life

18 months from the date of manufacture in unopened package. Once opened, store any unused product in a sealed container and use within 6 months.

Limitations

When using Grout Boost[®] stain resistant grout additive, grout doesn't need to be sealed. If tile or stone needs to be sealed, do so before grouting, or consult groutboost.com for a list of approved sealers. Avoid applying sealer to tile/stone edges as this may prevent proper grout bond. If enhancing tile and/or grout, use a solvent-based enhancer. Do not use Grout Boost[®] additive with liquid, ready-to-use or epoxy grouts. Certain tile surfaces, including glazed ceramic tile, marble, stone and agglomerate tile can be scratched, stained or damaged when grouted with sanded/colored grout. Follow tile manufacturer/fabricator recommendations or test a small area prior to use to determine suitability. Not recommended for installations where chemical resistance is required. Never mix Grout Boost[®] additive with latex additive or any other additives.

Cautions

For medical emergency information contact 888-853-1758.

This Product Data Sheet has been prepared in good faith on the basis of information available at the time of publication. It is intended to provide users with information about and guidelines for the proper use and application of the covered Grout Boost[®] brand product(s) under normal environmental and working conditions. Because each project is different, H.B. Fuller Construction Products Inc. ("HBF-CP") cannot be responsible for the consequences of variations in such conditions, or for conditions not foreseen by HBF-CP.

4. Technical Data

Physical Properties	
Physical State	Liquid emulsion
Color	White, dries clear
Odor	Nil
Viscosity	Thin, liquid
Weight per U.S. Gallon	8.3 lb. ± 0.1 lb.
Weight per Liter	1.0 kg
Storage	Store in a cool, dry location. Do not expose nor store in direct sunlight.
Shelf Life	Maximum of 18 months from date of manufacture in unopened package.
Freeze/Thaw Stability	Product is freeze/thaw stable.
VOC	< 1 g/L

5. Installation Instructions

Surface Prep

For surface preparation, refer to grout manufacturer's instructions.

Mixing Instructions for 27 fl. oz. (798 mL) Containers

Shake well before using. Pour approximately ¾ of the full container of Grout Boost® additive into a clean mixing bucket, then slowly add entire 10 lb. (4.54 kg) bag of SANDED grout. For 10 lb. (4.54 kg) bag of UNSANDED grout, start with one and one half 27 fl. oz. (798 mL) containers of Grout Boost®. Mix well. Continue to add in more Grout Boost® additive until the desired consistency is achieved. If all the Grout Boost® product is added and additional liquid is still required to achieve the desired consistency, up to 4 fl. oz. (118 mL) of clean cool water can be added. Mixture should be easy to spread, but not pourable. Once desired consistency is achieved, allow to sit in container for 10 minutes, then mix again. Install grout according to grout manufacturer's instructions. To help ensure color consistency across the entire installation, use the same liquid to grout proportions when using multiple containers for the same job.

Note: If mixing a half bag of SANDED grout, mix to consistency described above, which should be approximately half of the 27 fl. oz. (798 mL) container. If mixing a half bag of UNSANDED grout, mix to consistency described above, which should be approximately one 27 fl. oz. (798 mL) container.



Mixing Instructions for 70 fl. oz. (2.07 L) Containers

Shake well before using. Pour approximately ¾ of the full container of Grout Boost® additive into a clean mixing bucket, then slowly add entire 25 lb. (11.34 kg) bag of SANDED grout. For 25 lb. (11.34 kg) bag of UNSANDED grout, start with one and one half 70 fl. oz. (2.07 L) containers of Grout Boost®. Mix well. Continue to add in more Grout Boost® additive until the desired consistency is achieved. If all the Grout Boost® product is added and additional liquid is still required to achieve the desired consistency, up to 6 fl. oz. (177 mL) of clean cool water can be added. Mixture should be easy to spread, but not pourable. Once desired consistency is achieved, allow to sit in container for 10 minutes, then mix again. Install grout according to grout manufacturer's instructions. To help ensure color consistency across the entire installation, use the same liquid to grout proportions when using multiple containers for the same job.

Note: If mixing a half bag of SANDED grout, mix to consistency described above, which should be approximately half of the 70 fl. oz. (2.07 L) container. If mixing a half bag of UNSANDED grout, mix to consistency described above, which should be approximately one 70 fl. oz. (2.07 L) container.

Clean Up

For clean up, refer to grout manufacturer's instructions. Grout Boost[®] additive will not change the clean up process as specified by the grout manufacturer.

Allow grout to cure a minimum of 3 days or per grout manufacturer's instructions, whichever is longer, before starting routine cleaning (such as mopping).

Protection

Protect the finished installation from traffic or impact for at least 24 hours; from water immersion or freezing for 3 days or per grout manufacturer's instructions, whichever is longer. No need to seal grout. Clean up spills immediately upon occurrence. If a stain remains after initial clean up, follow the recommended cleaning procedures provided at groutboost.com.

6. Availability

For information about product availability visit groutboost.com.

7. Warranty

H.B. Fuller Construction Products Inc. ("HBF-CP") offers a 20 year limited warranty on this product when installed in accordance with HBF-CP's printed specifications and applicable industry standards and building codes. HBF-CP warrants to the original owner that the product will be free from manufacturing defects, will resist stains and will not deteriorate under normal use for 20 years from date of manufacture. Date manufactured is located on the bottom of the container. This limited warranty does not cover general wear and tear of the grout, and does not eliminate the need for routine maintenance and cleaning of the grout. This limited warranty covers claims resulting from a Grout Boost® additive manufacturing defect. Note: All Portland cement based products, including grout, have the potential for efflorescence and color shading which is not considered a

manufacturing defect. For any valid Grout Boost® additive claim. HBF-CP may, at its sole option, do any one or more of the following: (1) supply the owner with labor and materials necessary to repair or replace the specific portion of the installation that is proven to be defective; (2) replace the Grout Boost® additive; and/or (3) refund the purchase price of the Grout Boost® additive. Labor and materials provided during a replacement will not extend the original limited warranty period. Due to tile, stone and grout color availability, HBF-CP cannot guarantee an exact match to the specific tile, stone or grout used for the installation. HBF-CP will not pay more for the replacement of the installation than the original per square foot purchase price of the portion being replaced, including labor and materials. EXCLUSIONS. HBF-CP is not responsible for normal wear and tear resulting from usage, structural failure, misuse of product or workmanship not in accordance with manufacturer's instructions and the applicable industry standards. WARRANTIES DISCLAIMED. THE WARRANTY STATED ABOVE IS IN PLACE OF ALL OTHER WARRANTIES, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED TO THE EXTENT OF THE LAW. HBF-CP EXPRESSLY DISCLAIMS OR LIMITS ALL OTHER WARRANTIES INCLUDING WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY AND FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE, LIMITATION OF REMEDIES, THE REPAIR/ REPLACEMENT/REFUND REMEDY STATED IN THIS WARRANTY IS THE ONLY REMEDY AGAINST HBF-CP AVAILABLE TO OWNER OR TO ANY OTHER PARTY. IN NO EVENT WILL HBF-CP BE LIABLE FOR SPECIAL, INDIRECT, INCIDENTAL OR CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES (INCLUDING LOST PROFITS) ARISING OUT OF OR CONNECTED TO THE PRODUCT(S), NOR PAY DAMAGES IN ANY AMOUNT EXCEEDING THE ORIGINAL PRICE OF THE PORTION BEING REPLACED, INCLUDING MATERIALS AND LABOR. Some states do not allow limitations on how long an implied warranty lasts, so the above limitation may not apply to you. Some states do not allow the exclusion or limitation of incidental or consequential damages, so the above limitations or exclusion may not apply to you. WARRANTY CLAIMS. Owner shall notify HBF-CP, in writing, within 15 days of the discovery of the alleged defect or stain. Mail written claim along with proof of purchase to the following address:

H.B. Fuller Construction Products Inc. 1105 South Frontenac Street, Aurora, IL 60504-6451 U.S.A.

Attn: Technical Support

8. Maintenance

Grout Boost[®] stain resistant grout additive repels dirt and resists stains. However, routine cleaning using a PH neutral cleaner such as liquid dishwashing soap for everyday cleaning is recommended. For grease and soap scum, use an alkaline cleaner. For hard water deposits and other inorganic stains, use an acid based cleaner. Some floor cleaning processes such as damp mopping can deposit dirt residue in the grout joint. It is recommended that mop water is removed from the grout surface as well as the tile before it dries.

9. Technical Assistance

1-800-832-9023 or visit groutboost.com