

Common Tiling Scenarios - Walls

PLYWOOD WALLS

- Tiling to timber – dry areas
- Internal walls



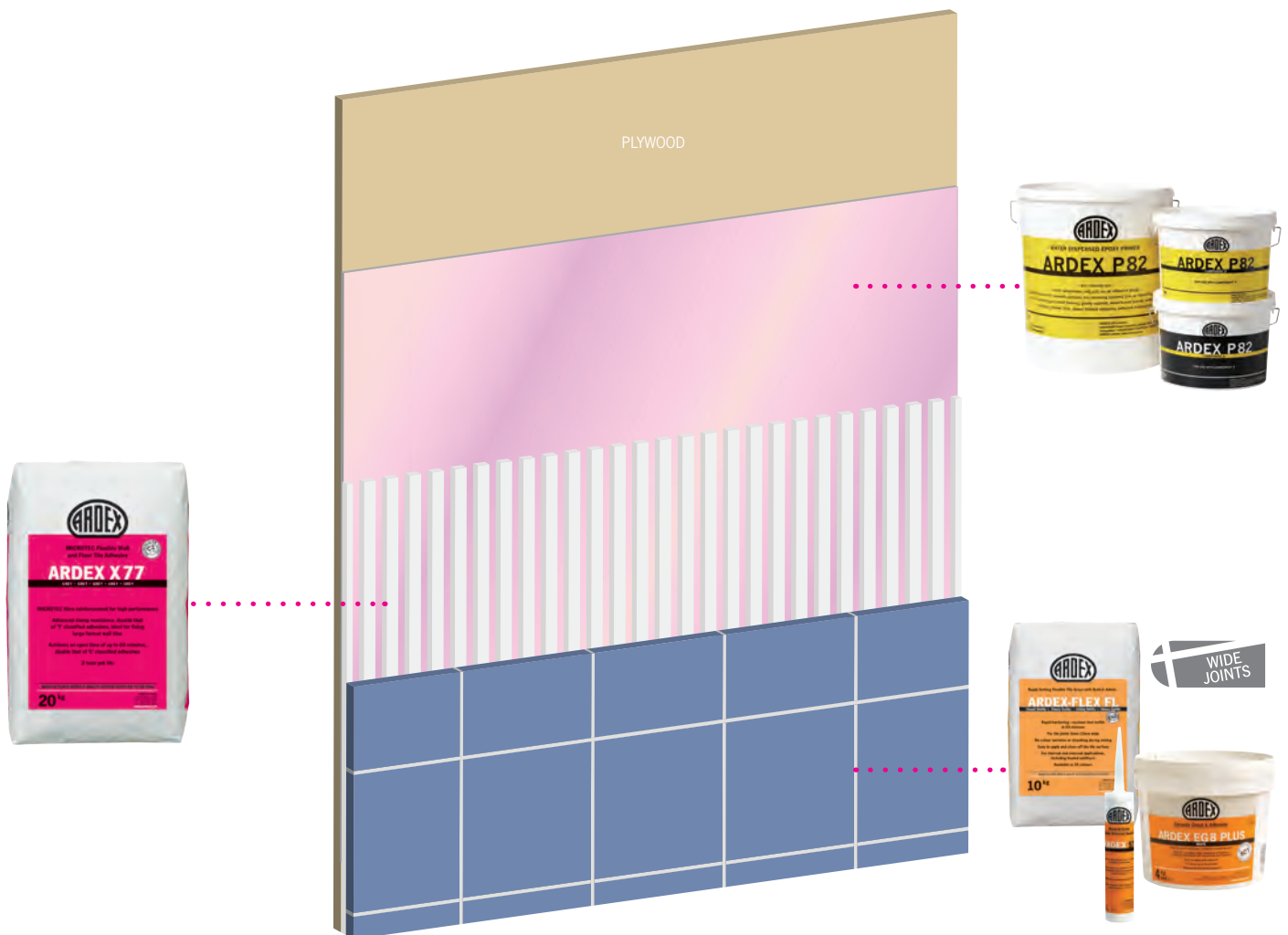
1. Ensure the plywood is secured in accordance with BS 5385 (see NOTE below).

2. Prime the plywood using **ARDEX P 82 Epoxy Primer** and allow to dry.

3. Fix the tiles to the primed wall using **ARDEX MICROTEC X 77 Flexible Wall & Floor Tile Adhesive**.

4. Grout the joints using **ARDEX-FLEX FL Flexible Tile Grout**.

For areas where greater chemical resistance is required, **ARDEX EG 8 PLUS Epoxy Tile Grout** can be used. Finish with **ARDEX ST Elastic Silicone Sealant** where required.



NOTE: BS 5385 advises that wood based sheets and boards should be avoided if at all possible as a background for tiling. If such boards, e.g. plywood board, chipboard, etc. have to be used, they should be restricted to small areas and installed in such a way that they provide a dimensionally stable and rigid background. The backs and edges of such boards should be treated against the ingress of atmospheric moisture that would result in movement and warping. Tiles should not bridge joints between boards. Since plywood and other wood based boards are not dimensionally stable, they should not be used in wet or damp conditions where they will be subjected to changes in atmospheric humidity. Ceramic tiles should not be used on timber based boards in wet areas or external locations. If the above conditions cannot be met, we advise a proprietary tile backer board be fixed and the tiles then fixed and grouted as above.

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