



# NXT<sup>®</sup> Level Plus

DS-505-0524

**Globally Proven  
Construction Solutions**



## 1. PRODUCT NAME

NXT<sup>®</sup> Level Plus

## 2. MANUFACTURER

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## 3. PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

NXT Level Plus is a high quality, cement-based, fiber reinforced, pumpable, free-flowing underlayment for use in leveling interior Plywood/OSB, Gypsum and Concrete substrates. Rapid setting formula produces a flat, smooth and hard surface for the installation of finished flooring after 12 hours.

Equipped with Microban Anti-Microbial Protection

### Uses

- Commercial, retail (malls & shops)
- Health care, hospitals
- Education (schools & universities)
- Residential
- Hotels

### Advantages

- Finish floor goods can be applied quickly, as soon as 12 hours after

- Can be applied over Plywood and OSB without the use of a metal lath
- Can be applied from 1/8" to 2" (3mm to 51mm) and tapered to zero at edges - concrete substrates
- Can be applied from 1/4" to 2" (6mm to 51mm) - wood substrates
- Can be applied over Gypsum based substrates
- Fiber reinforced
- High compressive strengths
- Easy to use, free-flowing;
- Inorganic; will not contribute to mold/mildew growth
- Suitable surface for most finished floor goods
- Can be applied directly over concrete testing at RH of 100% or less per ASTM F2170
- Long heal times for extended workability
- Low-shrinkage
- Pourable and Pumpable
- Compatible with most adhesives
- Direct replacement for DRYTEK LEVELEX PLUS

### Suitable Substrates

- Cement Backer Board
- Cement Mortar Bed
- Cement Terrazzo
- Ceramic Tile and Stone
- Concrete
- STRATA\_HEAT Mat
- STRATA\_MAT
- Vinyl Tile
- Exterior Glue Plywood (Interior Only)
- Oriented Strand Board (OSB) (Interior Only)
- Gypsum Underlayments (Interior Only)

### Packaging

55LB (22.7KG) BAG / 56 per pallet - Standard  
Part #: 0902-0055-21

2500LB (1133.9KG) BAG / 1 per pallet - Standard  
Part #: 0902-2500-21

## Approximate Coverage

Nominal Thickness	Approximate Coverage
1/8" (3 mm)	49 ft <sup>2</sup> (4.6 m <sup>2</sup> )
1/4" (6 mm)	24 ft <sup>2</sup> (2.3 m <sup>2</sup> )
1/2" (12 mm)	12 ft <sup>2</sup> (1.1 m <sup>2</sup> )
3/4" (18 mm)	8.1 ft <sup>2</sup> (0.8 m <sup>2</sup> )
1" (25 mm)	6.1 ft <sup>2</sup> (0.6 m <sup>2</sup> )
2" (51 mm)	3.0 ft <sup>2</sup> (0.3 m <sup>2</sup> )

## Shelf Life

Factory sealed containers of this product are guaranteed to be of first quality for one (1) year if stored off the ground in a dry area. High humidity will reduce the shelf life of bagged product.

## Limitations

- Do not install NXT Level Plus over particleboard, chip board, hardboard (Masonite®), Luan panels, asbestos, asphalt, coal tar, or lightweight insulating concrete or any other dimensionally unstable materials.
- For interior use only.
- Do not install when surface temperature is below 40°F (4°C) or above 90°F (32°C).
- Do not install over painted surfaces.
- Do not exceed recommended mixing ratio as indicated in mixing instructions. Over watering will weaken product properties.
- Never mix with cement or admixtures.
- Do not apply NXT Level Plus over waterproofing or crack isolation membranes.
- Adhesives/mastics, mortars and grouts for ceramic tile, pavers, brick and stone are not replacements for waterproofing membranes. When a waterproofing membrane is required, use a LATICRETE® Waterproofing Membrane on top of the dry NXT® Level Plus.
- Not for use in submerged applications.
- Not for use as a wear surface.
- Crack Isolation properties are not applicable when using NXT Level Plus over STRATA\_MAT or STRATA\_HEAT Mat.
- Maximum allowable deflection for cement self-leveling underlayment over wood floors is L/360 per ASTM F2873.
- Cracks are common and expected with unstable substrates (I.E. - Plywood/OSB). Cracks are not considered a product defect. LATICRETE cannot predict if or to what extent cracking will occur.
- NXT Level Plus can be installed at 1/4" over Plywood/OSB. Thicker applications may be required if Stone/Tile is being installed.

## Cautions

- Read and understand the Product Data Sheet and Safety Data Sheet.

- Check [www.laticrete.com](http://www.laticrete.com) for any technical bulletins or updated information about the product and its application.
- Contact your local LATICRETE Technical Sales Representative with any questions.
- Consult SDS for more safety information.
- Protect finished work from traffic until fully cured.
- Contains portland cement and silica sand. Causes severe skin burns and eye damage. Wear protective gloves/protective clothing. In case of contact, flush thoroughly with water.
- Do not take internally. Silica sand may cause cancer, respiratory irritation, or serious lung problems. Do not breathe dust. Wear a respirator in dusty areas.
- Keep out of reach of children.

## 4. TECHNICAL DATA

### Applicable Standard

- ANSI A118.16
- This product currently has a Product Specific (Type III) Environmental Product Declaration (EPD). The PCR review, life cycle assessment and declaration were independently verified by UL Environment in accordance with ISO 14025, ISO 14040 and ISO 14044.

### Physical Properties

Test	Test Method
Pour Depth	1/8" to 2" (3mm to 51mm) Consult Technical Services for Depths Over 2" (51mm). Can be tapered to zero at edges.
Walkable	2 - 3 hours at 70°F (21°C)
Tensile Bond Strength* ASTM C1583	270 - 390 psi (1.9 – 2.1 MPa)
Flexural Strength* ASTM C1708	840 - 1100 psi (5.2 – 6.9 MPa)
Compressive Strength ASTM C1708	1 day = 2500 psi (20.7 MPa) 7 day = 3500 (24.1 MPa) 28 day = 5300 psi (36.5 MPa)
Set Time ASTM C1708	Initial @ 20 - 30min. Final @ 35 - 40min.
Installed Dry Weight (per square foot @ 1/4" (6mm))	2.7 lbs/ft <sup>2</sup>
Flammability ASTM E84-14	Flame Spread Index: 0 Smoke Developed Index: 0

- \*28 day results
- All results are averages.
- Tested at 70°F and 50% RH

Specifications subject to change without notification. Results shown are typical but reflect test procedures used. Actual field performance will depend on installation methods and site conditions.

## 5. INSTALLATION

### Surface Preparation

- Refer to TDS230 SUBSTRATE PREPARATION AND PRIMER GUIDE for LATICRETE SELF-LEVELING PRODUCTS for more detailed surface preparation instructions.
- NXT Level Plus does not need lath when applied over Plywood/OSB substrates.

### Application over Wood Substrates:

Verify that the wood substrate is APA-rated Type 1, exterior exposure plywood or an OSB equivalent. Must be stable and structurally sound enough to support total anticipated live, dead and impact loads. Maximum allowable deflection for cement self-leveling underlayment over wood floors is L/360 per ASTM F2873.

- ceramic tile is L/360.
- natural stone is L/480.

Some floor covering products will need a more stringent deflection. Consult with floor covering manufacturer for their requirements.

Wood substrate must be clean and free of any contaminants. Substrate can be sanded, if necessary, then swept, vacuumed, and properly primed. No lath is required with NXT Level Plus.

### Priming

- See TDS230 SUBSTRATE PREPARATION AND PRIMER GUIDE for LATICRETE SELF-LEVELING PRODUCTS for more detailed dilution, approximate coverage and application instructions. Use Primer Plus, Prime-N-Bond, VAPOR BAN Primer ER or General Epoxy Primer (with sand broadcast) only.
- Primer is not required when using NXT Level Plus over STRATA\_MAT or STRATA\_HEAT Mat.

Note: Keep primed surface clean. Do not allow any foot traffic onto the surface.

### Mixing

NXT Level Plus should be mixed with 5.0 – 5.5 quarts (4.7 – 5.2 L) of water per 55 lb (25 kg) bag. Do not over water. For manual application, add product to water and mix for 2 – 3 min with a heavy duty drill (650 rpm) to obtain a lump free mix. NXT Level Plus can also be used in most pump equipment. Please consult with a LATICRETE representative to verify equipment compatibility.

A flow test should always be performed to ensure that the mix is homogeneous and free from separation. See TDS 235 – Self-Leveling Underlayment Flow Test for more detailed instructions on performing flow tests. The ideal flow range for NXT Level Plus is 10" to 12" when using a large flow ring or 5" to 6" using small flow ring.

### Application

Substrate temperature must be between 40 – 90°F (4 – 32°C) during application and air temperature maintained between 50 – 90°F (10 – 32°C). Protect areas from direct sunlight. Do not use damp curing methods, curing compounds or sealers. If required to meet level tolerances, survey surface using a digital or electronic leveling device and apply level pegs as required. Adequate ventilation should be provided to ensure uniform drying. Pump or pour blended material onto substrate at an average thickness ranging between:

- Wood substrates: 1/4" (6mm) to 2" (51mm)
- Concrete substrates: 1/8" (3mm) to 2" (51mm) and tapered to zero at edges
- Minimum 1/2" (12mm) to 2" (51mm) pour thickness over top of STRATA\_MAT or STRATA\_HEAT Mat when NXT Level Plus is used.

Immediately following placement, lightly smooth the surface and pour lines. When not using elevation pins, the use of a gauge rake will assist in controlling material depth. Do not expose NXT® self-leveling underlayments to rolling dynamic loads, such as forklifts or scissor lifts, for at least 72 hours after installation at 70°F (21°C). Proper application is the responsibility of the user. Field visits by LATICRETE personnel are for the purpose of making technical recommendations only and not for supervising or providing quality control on the jobsite.

Application tools offered by LATICRETE:

- 7316-LVPG-25 / LATICRETE Elevation Pins
- 7317-NIVC-HS / LATICRETE Electronic Survey Tool
- 7319-TOOL-CR / Self-Leveling Underlayment & Overlayment Tool Kit

### Flooring Installation

#### (Bold References are Hyperlinks)

- Immediately before installation of flooring, as recommended by flooring and adhesive manufacturer and in accordance **ASTM F2873 - Installation of Self-Leveling Underlayment & Preparation of Surface to Receive Resilient Flooring**, the self-leveling surface may require preparation including cleaned of all loose material by scraping, sanding, vacuuming, and primer application or a combination thereof.
- Conduct surface review including porosity tests, surface temperature, bond testing (Mat Bond Test), and other surface evaluation as required by flooring and adhesive manufacturer and in accordance with the **National Floor Covering Association (NFCA) Floor Covering Reference Manual**. Also identify and report any concerns for delaminated or loose areas, surface profile and surface flatness to project manager / General Contractor for additional surface prep, correction, adjustment before starting installation of floor covering materials.

- Always test performance, suitability, and compatibility of finished floor systems prior to their application. Conduct bond testing in accordance with flooring and adhesive manufacturer and **ASTM F3311 - Mat Bond Evaluation of Performance and Compatibility for Resilient Flooring**.
- In good drying conditions (ambient air temperature 65 – 75°F (18 - 24°C) / 40 – 60% RH) finished floor covering may be installed 12 hours after installation of NXT Level Plus.
- Non-moisture sensitive tile and stone can be applied once self-leveling underlayment is walkable, approximately 2 to 3 hours.
- Lower temperatures, higher RH, poor ventilation, and thicker self-leveling application will extend self-leveler dry time.
- NXT self-leveling products are not a vapor barrier and will allow passage of moisture vapor. Prior to installing NXT self-leveling products, the concrete must be tested for moisture conditions. If the concrete moisture conditions exceed the floor covering manufacturer's requirements for the finished flooring a moisture mitigation epoxy must be applied before installing NXT self-leveling. Use VAPOR BAN E, VAPOR BAN ER or VAPOR BAN Primer ER prior installing NXT self-leveling products.
- Steel-wheeled traffic is not recommended as it can cause damage to the surface. Important when installing floor finishes such as VCT, LVT or sheet vinyl. Which require extremely flat surfaces.

## 6. AVAILABILITY AND COST

### Availability

LATICRETE materials are available worldwide.

### For Distributor Information, Call:

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For on-line distributor information, visit LATICRETE at [laticrete.com](http://laticrete.com)

### Cost

Contact a LATICRETE Distributor in your area.

## 7. WARRANTY

See 10. FILING SYSTEM:

- 1 Year Product Warranty (US) (English)
- 5 Year System Warranty (US) (English)
- 10 Year System Warranty (US) (English)

- 25 Year System Warranty (US) (English)
- LATICRETE Lifetime System Warranty (US) (English)
- Concrete Remediation Lifetime System Warranty (US) (English)
- Concrete Remediation Lifetime System Warranty (Canada) (English)
- Concrete Remediation Lifetime System Warranty (Estados Unidos) (Español)

## 8. MAINTENANCE

Non-finish LATICRETE and LATAPOXY installation materials require no maintenance but installation performance and durability may depend on properly maintaining products supplied by other manufacturers.

## 9. TECHNICAL SERVICES

### Technical Assistance

Information is available by calling the LATICRETE Technical Service Hotline:

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### Technical and Safety Literature

To acquire technical and safety literature, please visit our website at [laticrete.com](http://laticrete.com).

## 10. FILING SYSTEM

Additional product information is available on our website at [laticrete.com](http://laticrete.com). The following is a list of related documents:

- DS 230.13: LATICRETE Product Warranty
- DS 025.0: LATICRETE 25 Year System Warranty (United States and Canada)
- DS 230.99: LATICRETE Lifetime System Warranty (United States and Canada)
- DS 504.0: NXT Level
- TDS 230: SUBSTRATE PREPARATION AND PRIMER GUIDE for LATICRETE SELF-LEVELING PRODUCTS
- TDS 235N: NXT Self-Leveling Underlayment Flow Test
- DS-65437 : Primer Plus
- DS-622.6-0822 General Primer
- DS-36647 VAPOR BAN E
- DS-35216 VAPOR BAN ER
- DS-35222 VAPOR BAN PRIMER ER
- DS-307 PRIME N BOND
- DS-26 STARTA MAT
- DS-26.1 STRATA HEAT Mat

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