



# **FEATURES & BENEFITS**

# For strength and crack resistance in drywall joint treatment

USG Sheetrock® Brand Paper Joint Tape is a special fiber tape designed for use with USG joint compounds to reinforce joints and corners in gypsum drywall interiors. Also recommended for joint treatment in veneer finish systems subject to rapid drying conditions and where framing exceeds 400mm spacing. USG Sheetrock® Brand Paper Joint Tape resists cracking and stretching and is lightly sanded for increased bond. USG Sheetrock® Brand Paper Joint Tape is manufactured from special cross-fibered tape with high tensile strength, both with and across the paper grain. Its high porosity produces a superior bond while eliminating the need for perforations. It also provides exceptional wet strength, resists stretching, wrinkling and other distortions, lies flat and resists tearing under tools. Easy to apply, the positive center creasing and uniform winding promote accurate and trouble-free application to angles as well as flat joints.

- High tensile strength to resist tearing, stretching and distortion
- Wafer-thin paper for easier joint treatment
- Roughened surface for superior bond
- Accurately center-creased to improve corner treatment

### **ADVANTAGES**

In cold weather and during gypsum panel application and joint finishing, temperatures within the building shall be maintained at a minimum of 13°C. Adequate ventilation shall be provided to carry off excess moisture.

## APPLICATION

Position and apply USG Sheetrock® Brand gypsum panels in accordance with manufacturer's recommendations. Prepare joint compound following directions on container. Cover joint with a thin layer of compound and embed paper joint tape, leaving about 0.7mm of compound under feathered edge. While embedding the tape, remove excess compound from edge and apply a thin coat over the tape. Let dry and sand lightly as required. Apply second coat, feathering approximately 50mm beyond first coat. Let dry, sand lightly as required and then apply third coat, feathering 50mm beyond second coat. Sand lightly as required when dry. Finish fastener heads, corner bead and inside corners as required with at least three coats of joint compound, feathered out onto panel faces and sanded as required to a smooth surface. For painting and decorating, follow manufacturer's directions for materials used. All surfaces, including applied joint compound, must be thoroughly dry, dust-free and not glossy before decorating. A prime coat of USG Sheetrock® Brand First Coat™ Primer or a good quality interior latex flat wall paint with high solids content should be applied undiluted and allowed to dry before painting, texturing or wallpapering. To improve fastener concealment where gypsum panel walls and ceilings will be subjected to severe artificial or natural side lighting and be decorated with a gloss paint (eggshell, semigloss or gloss), the gypsum panel surface should be skim coated with USG Sheetrock® Brand conventional weight all purpose joint compound to equalize suction before priming and painting, or spray wall with USG Sheetrock® Brand Tuff -Hide™ Primer-Surfacer.



# PRODUCT DATA

Material: Cross-fibered paper.

Coverage: Approx. 112 m/93 m<sup>2</sup> gypsum panels.

## **PACKAGING**

| Туре | Width mm | Length mm | No. of Units/<br>Master Carton | Application  |
|------|----------|-----------|--------------------------------|--|
| Roll | 52       | 22.8      | 24 rolls                       | Ideal for the occasional small drywall job, patching work, etc.  |
|      |          | 76.2      | 20 rolls                       | Popular size for hand-application joint treatment Weighs approximately 0.6 kg per roll.  |
|      |          | 152.4     | 10 rolls                       | Designed to fit easily into taping machines with fewer<br>roll changes. Weighs approximately 1.2 kg per roll so<br>machine balance is not disturbed. |

# **REFERENCES**

For further health and safety instructions, refer to the Safety Data Sheet (SDS) for this product, available from your USG Middle East sales office or **USGme.com** 

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