



# KERDI TIP SHEET

## GENERAL

- Shower bases, curbs, and ramps can be cut to fit with a utility knife. Bases can be extended using dry-pack mortar.
- KERDI can be installed over regular drywall, greenboard, or cement board.

## INSTALLATION TIPS

- Cut and mark all waterproofing components prior to mixing thin-set mortar.
- Wipe down the floor and wall with a damp sponge to remove any dust. Wet particularly dry and porous surfaces like cement board.
- Use 1/4" x 3/8" square or U-notched trowel to install all foam products and 1/4" x 3/16" V-notched trowel to install all KERDI membrane and KERDI-BAND products.
- The mortar to install the KERDI waterproofing membrane and accessories must be fairly fluid in consistency, but still able to hold a notch.
- Use premium unmodified thin-set mortars to install all shower components and porcelain, ceramic, and natural stone products.
- "Key In" mortar – Apply a thin layer of mortar with the flat side of the trowel before combing additional mortar with the notched side.
- Mortar should be combed in one direction to help prevent air pockets.
- Embed KERDI into mortar using the flat side of the trowel or drywall finishing knife and work out air bubbles from the center to the edges. Use light to moderate pressure and don't try to evacuate all the mortar from behind the KERDI material.
- All seams must be overlapped by a minimum of 2" with KERDI or KERDI-BAND.
- Be sure to check for proper thin-set mortar coverage between KERDI and the substrate (full contact and no mortar ridges or air pockets remaining).



## MATERIALS CHECKLIST

### Miscellaneous Materials:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Trowels                           | <input type="checkbox"/> Drill and mixing paddle |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Buckets                           | <input type="checkbox"/> Marker and pencil       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tile saw and/or snap cutter       | <input type="checkbox"/> Tile spacers            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Grout float                       | <input type="checkbox"/> Knee pads               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tape measure                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Rubber mallet           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Utility knife                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Square and level        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sponges and bucket of clean water |  |

### Installation Supplies:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Tile   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> KERDI waterproofing membrane                               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> KERDI-BAND   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Appropriate mortar for foam components, membrane, and tile |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Schluter tile trims (wall and floor)                       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Grout  |



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