

PROVA-MAT®

INSTALLATION SUMMARY

Prior to installation, ensure that the substrate is **clean**, **dry**, **flat**, and **structurally sound**. The bonding adhesive must be able to bond to the substrate. Suitable substrates for PROVA-MAT® include plywood (EPG), drywall, backer board, and cement slab.



Step 1: TREAT CORNERS AND JOINTS

Treat all corners and wall-to-wall, wall-to-floor connections using PROVA CORNER® and PROVA JOINT® products.

Apply modified thinset to the substrate using a 1/4" x 3/16" V-notch trowel. Work PROVA CORNER® and PROVA JOINT® into the thinset using the flat side of the trowel, taking care to eliminate air pockets. If piping exists, these surfaces should now be treated with PROVA PIPE SEAL®.



Step 2: COVER SUBSTRATES WITH PROVA-MAT®

Cut PROVA-MAT® to the appropriate dimensions for the large substrate sections.

Apply modified thinset to the substrate using a 1/4" x 3/16" V-notch trowel. Working from bottom to top, press the PROVA-MAT® sections into the thinset.

Use the flat side of the trowel while moving in a diagonal direction to eliminate all air pockets and remove excess thinset. Check the underside of the membrane to ensure the complete transfer of thinset.



Step 3: OVERLAP JOINTS

Overlap adjacent sections of PROVA-MAT® and PROVA PIPE SEAL® by a minimum of 2".

Apply PROVA JOINT® to adjacent sections where the sheets do not overlap by a minimum of 2".



Step 4: TILE THE INSTALLATION

Finish the PROVA-MAT® installation with tile or stone over modified thinset.

It is recommended that tiling or water tests be completed 24 hours after the initial mortar has set. If using a rapid setting mortar, tiling may be completed after as little as 2 hours, but be sure to follow the timelines provided by the mortar manufacturers for every case.