

# 3T

## Mid-Weight Formulation

3T, the Compound Made For The Drywall Finishing Professional:

- Easy Sanding
- Minimal Shrinkage
- Unmatched, Armsaving Workability
- Reduced Coats, Reduced Time
- Easy No Hassle Clean Up
- Excellent For Tools



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Joint Compound*

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**Preparation**

Compound should be stored at room temperature for at least 24 hours prior to use. Contents should be poured into a mixing container (ie. plastic bucket). Mix lightly and test apply prior to adding any additional water. Do not over mix as this can cause pocking. Add water one half pint at a time as necessary, re-mix and test apply before adding additional water.

**Application**

All imperfections and damages that occurred during manufacturing and installation should be cut out of the gypsum panels prior to finishing. Apply over dry surfaces only and allow each coat to dry completely before applying another coat. Maintain minimum air, joint compound and surface temperature of 55F (13C) within working area until joints are completely dry.

**Finishing Joints**

Apply thin layer of compounds to space between panels. Press in joint tape centering it over seam. Tightly embed tape with the knife removing excess compound, apply thin coat over tape. Apply compound over fasteners and allow to dry. Apply second coat along joints, be sure to feather at least 2.5"

beyond the taping coat, apply second coat over fasteners allow to dry. Apply thin finish coat over joints ensuring to feather beyond the second coat. Once dry, sand or sponge smooth.

**Finishing Inside Corners**

Apply thin layer of compound to either side of the corner. Crease center of tape and press into corner. Tightly embed tape with knife on both sides removing excess compound and apply it as a thin coat over tape. Apply second coat over one side at a time allowing it to dry before finishing opposite side.

**Finishing Cornerbead**

Apply compound to cornerbead extending first coat a minimum of 5" onto panel, allow to dry and wet sand as necessary. Apply second coat feathering it at least 2" beyond first coat, allow to dry and wet sand.

**Sanding**

Sand with a wet sponge to eliminate dust and scuffing of paper. Remove high spots using as few strokes as necessary. Clean sponge often. If dry sanding, use 150 grit sand paper or finer. Avoid scuffing paper. Wear NIOSH approved dust mask.

**Decorating**

Ensure all surfaces are dry and dust free. A primer coat of undiluted latex wall paint with a high solids content should be applied prior to painting or texturing. Adhere to all manufacturing specific directions for painting and decorating materials.

**Clean Up**

Tools are cleaned easily using warm water. Normally only vigorous stirring in water is necessary for clean up. Some brushing or sponging may be necessary. Clean immediately after use and do not allow to harden. Wipe surfaces dry to prevent rust.

**Ingredients**

May contain any or all of the following: Calcium Carbonate, water, per-

lite, micas, clay, gypsum, synthetic or natural binders and thickeners.

**Coverage**

Depends on thickness used and decreases with cornerbead. Approximately 50 lbs per 180 linear ft. of wallboard for joint finishing.

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**Caution**

Dust from dry sanding may cause eye, nose, throat, or upper respiratory irritation. Continued and prolonged exposure to high concentrations of airborne dust may cause lung disease. To avoid creating dust, wet sand or sponge finish the joints. If dry sanding is performed, ventilate work area and use a NIOSH approved mask. Eye protection is also recommended.

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