

# ROBERTS R656

## Pressure Sensitive Carpet Tile Adhesive



### **DESCRIPTION:**

ROBERTS R656 Pressure Sensitive Carpet Tile Adhesive is a solvent-free pressure sensitive adhesive formulated for installing PVC backed, fibre backed, cushion back carpet tiles and reinforced vinyl composition tiles. It is also highly recommended for installing laminated slab underlays used in Double-Bond carpet installation.

ROBERTS R656 can be applied to concrete substrates with moisture contents up to 95% Relative Humidity (moisture reducing) tested with the In- Situ Probe method and concrete substrates with pH readings of up to 12.0.

### **FEATURES AND BENEFITS:**

- ✓ 95% RH Resistant Formulation
- ✓ Excellent coverage
- ✓ Installer Friendly
- ✓ Building Green Credits
- ✓ Green Star Compliant
- ✓ Green TAG Certified
- ✓ Solvent Free
- ✓ Low VOC Emission
- ✓ Anti-microbial Formulation
- ✓ Low Odour
- ✓ Australian Made

### **RECOMMENDED USE:**

ROBERTS R656 Pressure Sensitive Carpet Tile Adhesive is suitable for use with:

PVC Backed Carpet tiles, Cushion Back Carpet Tiles, Double bond underlays to substrate.

Carpet tiles to Double bond Underlays

For securing reinforced Vinyl Composition (VCT) Tiles,

Vinyl Planks with an embossed backing system,

Loose Lay Vinyl Planks.

### **SHELF LIFE / STORAGE:**

12 months when stored in original unopened packaging shall be stored in a dry area off the ground.

### **SURFACE PREPARATION:**

Follow all current Australian Standards, Including, Australian Standard 2455.2.2019 "Textile Floor Coverings Installation Practice" & "Floor Coverings 1884-2021 Resilient Sheet & Tiles - Laying & Maintenance Practices".

All surfaces to be bonded shall be absorbent, dry, smooth, sound, and clean.

Subfloors must also be free of wax, grease, paint, previously used adhesive, polish, PVC-based membranes, curing compounds, hydrostatic pressure and any other impurities that may affect adhesion.

The minimum subfloor temperature before commencing surface preparation and adhesive application is 10°C.

ROBERTS R656 Pressure Sensitive Carpet Tile Adhesive can be applied to concrete substrates with up to 95% moisture content.

Relative Humidity is tested with the In-Situ Probe method as outlined in [ASTM F2170](#).

Test all concrete substrate flooring for moisture content according to Australian Standards and Manufacturers Recommendations.

ROBERTS R656 Pressure Sensitive Carpet Tile Adhesive can be used on concrete substrates with pH readings up to 12.0.

If mechanical preparation is required, prepare the floor using recommended techniques such as shot blasting and diamond grinding to provide a roughened, clean, sound, and open porous surface.

Thoroughly vacuum loose material and dust.

Before applying adhesive, it is recommended that highly absorbent concrete subfloors be primed with [ROBERTS R48 UNIVERSAL PRIMER](#) floor and wall primer before using adhesive.

Indentations and uneven concrete subfloors should be treated with the [ROBERTS RANGE OF LEVELLING COMPOUNDS](#) per the manufacturer's recommendations.

Where temperatures are less than 5°C or higher than 35°C, please contact RLA Technical department for further details.

**APPLICATION:**

For securing Double-Bond underlays to a substrate, applying the adhesive with a 1.6mm x1.6mm “V1” notched trowel is recommended.

Bonding Carpet Tiles to subfloor when laid in a releasable mode, we recommend using a long nap roller with a pile height of no less than 10mm.

Alternatively, a 1.6mm x 1.6mm “V1” notched trowel is also recommended for securing reinforced Vinyl Composition (VCT) Tiles, Vinyl Planks with an embossed backing system, Loose Lay Vinyl Planks and Cushion Back Carpet Tiles to a subfloor, a 1.6mm x 1.6mm “V1” notched trowel is recommended.

Alternatively, if a stronger bond is required, a 2.4mm x 2.4mm “V2” notched trowel is also recommended.

A 1.6mm x 1.6mm “V1” notched trowel is recommended to install Carpet Tiles on double bond underlays. Depending upon the porosity of the underlay, the second application of adhesive may be required, or a 2.4mm x 2.4mm “V2” notched trowel is recommended.

Roberts 656 Universal Pressure Sensitive Adhesive is used: In dry mode, allowing the adhesive to dry and become clear; this will limit the transfer of the adhesive to the back of the carpet tiles, therefore, enabling them to be relayed or repositioned with a clean backing.

A stronger bond can be achieved by laying the material into the adhesive film just before it completely dries; this will cause some transfer onto the back of the material.

Complete installation according to Floorcoverings manufacturer’s instructions, ensuring the installation is rolled in both directions with the recommended roller weight.

Do not allow heavy traffic for 24 hours.

**TECHNICAL DATA:**

PRODUCT INFORMATION:	
Appearance	Creamy Paste
Packaging	15 Litre
Application Temperature	10°C to +30°C
Set to Traffic	24 hours
SPREAD RATE.	
Long Nap Roller 10mm	8-10m <sup>2</sup>
2.4mm V2	3m <sup>2</sup>
3.2mm V3	2m <sup>2</sup>

Spread rates may vary depending on the condition and substrate absorbency.

**CLEAN UP:**

Clean tools immediately after use with warm soapy water. The dried adhesive may be cleaned off using ROBERTS R550 Latex/Acrylic Adhesive Remover applied to a damp cloth, then rubbed gently over the dried adhesive or with RLA Handy Wipes.

**NOTES & PRECAUTIONS:**

- Drying times can be extended when applied in cold ambient temperatures.
- Don’t apply adhesive in direct sunlight.
- Do not apply on substrates with rising dampness.

**INTERNAL USE ONLY**

**SAFETY & HANDLING:**

- Use in well-ventilated areas.
- Avoid contact with skin and eyes.
- Wear eye protection and suitable gloves and clothing.
- Do not eat, drink, or smoke while using this product.
- Take off contaminated clothing and wash it before reuse.
- If on the skin, wash with plenty of soap and water.
- If in the eyes: rinse cautiously with water for several minutes.
- Remove contact lenses; if present, continue rinsing.
- If inhaled, remove to fresh air and keep them at rest in a position comfortable for breathing.
- If any skin or eye irritation persists or you feel unwell, get medical attention.
- Product is classified as NON-DANGEROUS GOODS. According to the WHS Regulations and the ADG Code.

**Safety Data Sheet is available upon request.**

**FIRST AID:**

If poisoning occurs, contact a doctor or Poisons Information Centre.

Skin: Wash off with warm water and soap.

If swallowed, DO NOT induce vomiting. Give a glass of water.

For advice or you feel unwell contact a Poisons Information Centre: Australia ph. 131126,

New Zealand ph. 0800 764 766 or a doctor at once.

If swallowed, do NOT induce vomiting.

IF SWALLOWED, immediately call the Poisons Information Centre or a doctor.

If skin irritation occurs, get medical advice/attention.

### **WARRANTY STATEMENT:**

RLA Polymers guarantees this product against manufacturing defects and guarantees it to be manufactured to our published specifications.

We certify that this product is suitable for use when fully cured and will perform as described in our technical data sheet or other published materials.

RLA Polymers will replace the product free of charge when purchased from any legally verifiable source and where a product is proven to have been stored, handled, and install according to instructions published on our packaging and within the stated shelf life. The Installation of all materials must be carried out per the relevant Australian Standard, the Floorcovering Manufacturer's instructions, and the floorcoverings must have been subject to normal traffic conditions.

Warranty doesn't apply if damage, loss, failure to follow instructions, or other circumstances are out of our control.

Sufficient time and access to investigate any complaint must be accorded to RLA Polymers.

The consumer is responsible for any expenses incurred in making a claim.

A claim form can be requested by:

**PHONE:** 1800 242 931

**EMAIL:** [info@rlapolymers.com.au](mailto:info@rlapolymers.com.au)

**MAIL:** 215 Colchester Road Kilsyth Victoria 3137 (Attention Customer Service)

**WEBSITE:** [www.rlapolymers.com.au](http://www.rlapolymers.com.au)

### **AUSTRALIAN CONSUMER LAW:**

Our goods come with guarantees that cannot be excluded under the Australian Consumer Law. You are entitled to a replacement or refund for a major failure and compensation for any other reasonably foreseeable loss or damage. You are also entitled to have the goods repaired or replaced if the goods fail to be of acceptable quality, and the failure does not amount to a major failure. The benefits under our warranty are in addition to other rights and remedies available to the consumer under the law in relation to the goods and services to which the warranty relates.

### **DISCLAIMER:**

All statements and technical information contained herein are based on tests we believe to be reliable, but the accuracy thereof is not guaranteed.

Users assume all risk and liability resulting from the use of the product and must confirm the suitability thereof by their own tests. Conditions of Sale contain a limited warranty against manufacturing defects.