



# TECHNICAL DATA SHEET

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## DAP® DRYDex® Lightweight Joint Compound

### PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

**DAP® DRYDex® Lightweight Low Dust Joint Compound** is a ready-to-use joint compound for the smooth, high-quality finishing of gypsum panel joints, nail heads and metal corner beads. The unique Dry Time Indicator signals when the next coat can be applied, or it is ready to be sanded or painted. Our unique formulation generates 70% less airborne dust than other competitive low dust joint compounds creating less mess and faster clean-up. Lightweight formulation means less shrinkage, so fewer coats are required than with other joint compounds. It works faster with less effort and weighs up to 25% less than conventional compounds for easier handling.



PACKAGING	COLOR	UPC
Quart	Pink to White	7079812385
Gallon	Pink to White	7079810120

### KEY FEATURES & BENEFITS

- **70% Less Dust** for less mess and faster clean-up
- **For ultra-smooth finishing** of gypsum panel joints
- **Goes on PINK & dries WHITE** when it's time to reapply or finish
- **De-aired formula** eliminates pin-hole bubbles

### FOR BEST RESULTS

- Allow compound to dry before sanding.
- Wiping while wet may leave unwanted smears.
- Wet sand uneven areas with a damp sponge after joint compound has dried.



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## APPLICATION

1. Prepare surface by recessing nails or screws into panels 1/32".
2. Fill the space between panels with DAP Premium Lightweight Joint Compound with DRYDex Dry Time Indicator Technology. Center wallboard joint tape over joint and press into fresh compound with a 5" or 6" application knife. Remove excess joint compound and cover embedded tape with a thin layer of compound. Apply compound to all nail heads and spread smooth with long strokes parallel to joint. After compound dries and turns from pink to white, smooth uneven areas with a damp sponge.
3. Apply a second coat of joint compound with an 8" or 10" knife along joints and over nail heads, smoothing out 2" beyond first coat. Smooth uneven areas with a damp sponge again after the compound has dried and turned from pink to white.
4. If necessary, apply a thin finish coat of compound over joints, smoothing out 2" beyond second coat.
5. To finish inside corners, apply joint compound to both sides of corner, fold tape along center crease and press into position. Embed tape with a 5" or 6" knife or inside corner trowel and apply a thin coat of compound over tape. After compound has dried and turned from pink to white, smooth uneven areas with a damp sponge and apply a second coat of compound over one side only. Let dry and then cover the other side.
6. To finish outside corners, fasten metal corner bead and apply first coat of compound, smoothing onto panel surface 4" to 6". Allow compound to dry and turn from pink to white, and smooth uneven areas with a damp sponge. Apply 2 more coats in same manner.
7. For a textured finish, apply ample amount of joint compound with a paintbrush, knife or roller. Texture surface immediately, while compound is still pink, using a paint roller, sponge, stiff-bristled brush or even crumpled paper, depending on the desired effect.
8. Allow compound to dry thoroughly, turning from pink to white, before decorating or painting.

## TYPICAL PHYSICAL & CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Consistency	Thick Paste
Vehicle	Latex Emulsion
Volatile	Water
Filler	Expanded Silicate
Odor	Mild
Weight/Gallon	10 lbs.
Volume Solids	50% by volume
Application Temperature	50°F or higher
Service Temperature	-20°F to 120°F



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Shelf Life	6 months in closed container
Freezing	Freeze/thaw stable 5 cycles at 0°F
Coverage	1 gallon finishes approximately 30-40 linear feet when applied as a skim coat. For texturing, 1 gallon covers approximately 40-50 square feet.

## CLEAN UP & STORAGE

Wash tools immediately after use with water. Dried material must be removed by scraping or sanding. Be sure container lid/cap is closed and tightly sealed and store in a cool, dry place away from extreme heat or cold.

## SAFETY

See product label and Safety Data Sheet (SDS) for health and safety information. You can request an SDS by visiting our website at [dap.com](http://dap.com) or by calling **888-DAP-TIPS**.

## WARRANTY

### **Limited Warranty:**

If product fails to perform when used as directed, within one year of date of purchase, call 888-DAP-TIPS, with your sales receipt and product container available, for replacement product or sales price refund. DAP Products, Inc. will not be responsible for incidental or consequential damages.

## COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

**Manufacturer:** DAP Products Inc., 2400 Boston Street, Baltimore, Maryland 21224

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