



## General information

**Product:**

weber flex fix

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The owner of the declaration shall be liable for the underlying information and evidence. EPD Norway shall not be liable with respect to manufacturer information, life cycle assessment data and evidences.

**Declared unit:**

1 kg weber flex fix

**Declared unit with option:**

A1,A2,A3,A4

**Functional unit:**
**Verification:**

Independent verification of data, other environmental information and the declaration according to ISO14025:2010, § 8.1.3 and § 8.1.4

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**Organisation no:**

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**Year of study:**

2018

**Comparability:**

EPD of construction products may not be comparable if they not comply with EN 15804 and seen in a building context.

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The declaration is developed using eEPD v3.0 from LCA.no

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## Product

### Product description:

Weber flex fix is cementitious tile adhesive for attaching ceramic tiles and natural stone tiles in dry indoor spaces, where the adhesive plaster requires high deformation capability.

Weber flex fix is suitable for following applications:

- tiling of new concrete floor
- tiling with extra large tiles
- sauna wall tiling and fireplace tiling
- tiling on floor boards.

Weber flex fix has excellent adhesion, elasticity class S2 (EN 12002) and it is for deformable substrates. Flex fix is fibre-reinforced lightweight adhesive.

### Product specification

The composition of the product is described in the following table:

Materials	
Binder	30-60%
Aggregate	35-55%
Filler	5-15%
Additives	6-14%
Packaging	3,92%

### Technical data:

Weber flex fix is designed, produced and CE marked according to EN 12004:2007 + A1:2012 Adhesives for tiles. Requirements, evaluation of conformity, classification and designation.

### Market:

Nordic and Baltic countries.

### Reference service life, product

The reference service life of the product is similar to the service life of the building.

### Reference service life, building

60 years.

## LCA: Calculation rules

### Declared unit:

1 kg weber flex fix

### Cut-off criteria:

All major raw materials and all the essential energy is included. The production processes for raw materials and energy flows with very small amounts (less than 1%) are not included. These cut-off criteria do not apply for hazardous materials and substances.

Machines and facilities (capital goods) required for and during production are excluded, as is transportation of employees.

### Data quality:

Specific data for the product composition are provided by the manufacturer. They represent the production of the declared product and were collected for EPD development in the year of study. Background data is based on registered EPDs according to EN 15804, Ostfold Research databases, ecoinvent and other LCA databases. The data quality of the raw materials in A1 is presented in the table below.

Plant manufacturing data is collected for 2017. Raw materials and production volumes are based on the data from September - December 2018 and production plans for the 2019. The whole year data is not available, since products are new.

Materials	Source	Data quality	Year
Chemicals	Chemicals below cut-off	No data	0
Aggregate	ecoinvent 3.4	Database	2017
Binder	ecoinvent 3.4	Database	2017
Packaging	ecoinvent 3.4	Database	2017
Packaging	Modified ecoinvent 3.4	Database	2017
Cement	S-P-01276	EPD	2018

### Allocation:

The allocation is made in accordance with the provisions of EN 15804. Incoming energy and water and waste production in-house is allocated equally among all products through mass allocation. Effects of primary production of recycled materials is allocated to the main product in which the material was used. The recycling process and transportation of the material is allocated to this analysis.

**System boundary:**

All processes from raw material extraction to product transport to the construction site are included in the analysis (A1 - A4). The flow chart below illustrates the system boundaries for the A1 to A3 part of the analysis.



**Additional technical information:**

The density of the product is 1,30 kg/dm<sup>3</sup>. Recommended water content for dry product is approx. 0,28-0,30 l/kg.

## LCA: Scenarios and additional technical information

The following information describe the scenarios in the different modules of the EPD.

Transport to market (A4) is calculated based on the default distance of 300 km from NPCR 009. Additional information is given in the table below regarding distances to other relevant markets and calculation factors for converting GWP/A4 to the specific market.

### Transport from production place to user (A4)

Type	Capacity utilisation (incl. return) %	Type of vehicle	Distance km	Fuel/Energy consumption	Unit	Value (l/t)
Truck	55,0 %	Truck, lorry over 32 tonnes, EURO 5	300	0,022823	l/tkm	6,85
Railway					l/tkm	
Boat					l/tkm	
Other Transportation					l/tkm	

Additional A4 information	Unit/Range	Value
Tullinge, Sweden (truck / ro-ro boat / truck to jobsite: 658 km)	Multiplication factor GWP/A4	1.61
Lilleström, Norway (truck / ro-ro boat / truck to jobsite: 1135km)	Multiplication factor GWP/A4	3.11
Karlslunde, Denmark (truck / ro-ro boat / truck to jobsite: 1312 km)	Multiplication factor GWP/A4	3.67
Tallinn, Estonia (truck / ro-ro boat / truck to jobsite: 563 km)	Multiplication factor GWP/A4	1.57
Riga, Latvia (truck / ro-ro boat / truck to jobsite: 869 km)	Multiplication factor GWP/A4	2.54
Vilnius, Lithuania (truck / ro-ro boat / truck to jobsite: 1162 km)	Multiplication factor GWP/A4	3.47

### Assembly (A5)

	Unit	Value
Auxiliary	kg	
Water consumption	m <sup>3</sup>	
Electricity consumption	kWh	
Other energy carriers	MJ	
Material loss	kg	
Output materials for waste treatment	kg	
Dust in the air	kg	
VOC emissions	kg	

### Use (B1)

	Unit	Value

### Maintenance (B2)/Repair (B3)

	Unit	Value
Maintenance cycle*		
Auxiliary		
Other resources		
Water consumption	m <sup>3</sup>	
Electricity consumption	kWh	
Other energy carriers	MJ	
Material loss	kg	
VOC emissions	kg	

### Replacement (B4)/Refurbishment (B5)

	Unit	Value
Replacement cycle*		
Electricity consumption	kWh	
Replacement of worn parts		

\* Described above if relevant

### Operational energy (B6) and water consumption (B7)

	Unit	Value
Water consumption	m <sup>3</sup>	
Electricity consumption	kWh	
Other energy carriers	MJ	
Power output of equipment	kW	

### End of Life (C1, C2)

	Unit	Value
Hazardous waste disposed	kg	
Collected as mixed construction waste	kg	
Reuse	kg	
Recycling		
Energy recovery		
To landfill	kg	

### Transport to waste processing (C2)

Type	Capacity utilisation (incl. return) %	Type of vehicle	Distance km	Fuel/Energy consumption	Unit	Value (l/t)
Truck					l/tkm	
Railway					l/tkm	
Boat					l/tkm	
Other Transportation					l/tkm	

## LCA: Results

### System boundaries (X=included, MND=module not declared, MNR=module not relevant)

Product stage				Construction installation stage	User stage								End of life stage				Beyond the system boundaries
Raw materials	Transport	Manufacturing	Transport	Assembly	Use	Maintenance	Repair	Replacement	Refurbishment	Operational energy use	Operational water use	De-construction demolition	Transport	Waste processing	Disposal	Reuse-Recovery-Recycling-potential	
A1	A2	A3	A4	A5	B1	B2	B3	B4	B5	B6	B7	C1	C2	C3	C4	D	
X	X	X	X	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	

### Environmental impact

Parameter	Unit	A1	A2	A3	A4
GWP	kg CO <sub>2</sub> -eq	5,58E-01	1,95E-02	3,72E-03	2,62E-02
ODP	kg CFC11 -eq	1,83E-08	5,00E-12	4,68E-10	5,10E-09
POCP	kg C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>4</sub> -eq	1,05E-04	5,69E-06	2,24E-06	4,23E-06
AP	kg SO <sub>2</sub> -eq	1,53E-03	1,48E-04	3,31E-05	8,51E-05
EP	kg PO <sub>4</sub> <sup>3-</sup> -eq	3,13E-04	2,06E-05	1,22E-05	1,43E-05
ADPM	kg Sb -eq	8,67E-07	3,00E-08	2,59E-08	5,91E-08
ADPE	MJ	9,43E+00	2,96E-01	2,37E-02	4,11E-01

GWP Global warming potential; ODP Depletion potential of the stratospheric ozone layer; POCP Formation potential of tropospheric photochemical oxidants; AP Acidification potential of land and water; EP Eutrophication potential; ADPM Abiotic depletion potential for non fossil resources; ADPE Abiotic depletion potential for fossil resources

Reading example: 9,0 E-03 = 9,0\*10<sup>-3</sup> = 0,009

\*INA Indicator Not Assessed

## Resource use

Parameter	Unit	A1	A2	A3	A4
RPEE	MJ	8,87E-01	5,74E-03	4,36E-01	7,42E-03
RPEM	MJ	6,25E-01	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00
TPE	MJ	1,51E+00	5,74E-03	4,36E-01	7,42E-03
NRPE	MJ	9,86E+00	3,06E-01	2,44E-02	4,23E-01
NRPM	MJ	2,82E-01	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00
TRPE	MJ	1,01E+01	3,06E-01	2,44E-02	4,23E-01
SM	kg	7,08E-03	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00
RSF	MJ	4,86E-02	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00
NRSF	MJ	2,74E-03	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00
W	m <sup>3</sup>	3,44E-03	7,09E-05	1,30E-05	9,98E-05

RPEE Renewable primary energy resources used as energy carrier; RPEM Renewable primary energy resources used as raw materials; TPE Total use of renewable primary energy resources; NRPE Non renewable primary energy resources used as energy carrier; NRPM Non renewable primary energy resources used as materials; TRPE Total use of non renewable primary energy resources; SM Use of secondary materials; RSF Use of renewable secondary fuels; NRSF Use of non renewable secondary fuels; W Use of net fresh water

Reading example: 9,0 E-03 =  $9,0 \cdot 10^{-3} = 0,009$

\*INA Indicator Not Assessed

## End of life - Waste

Parameter	Unit	A1	A2	A3	A4
HW	kg	7,96E-06	1,10E-07	6,66E-07	2,25E-07
NHW	kg	4,56E-02	2,23E-02	1,96E-02	3,84E-02
RW	kg	INA*	INA*	INA*	INA*

HW Hazardous waste disposed; NHW Non hazardous waste disposed; RW Radioactive waste disposed

Reading example: 9,0 E-03 =  $9,0 \cdot 10^{-3} = 0,009$

\*INA Indicator Not Assessed

## End of life - Output flow

Parameter	Unit	A1	A2	A3	A4
CR	kg	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00	0,00E+00
MR	kg	3,90E-04	0,00E+00	3,76E-04	0,00E+00
MER	kg	1,80E-04	0,00E+00	6,00E-04	0,00E+00
EEE	MJ	INA*	INA*	INA*	INA*
ETE	MJ	INA*	INA*	INA*	INA*

CR Components for reuse; MR Materials for recycling; MER Materials for energy recovery; EEE Exported electric energy; ETE Exported thermal energy

Reading example: 9,0 E-03 =  $9,0 \cdot 10^{-3} = 0,009$

\*INA Indicator Not Assessed

## Additional Norwegian requirements

### Greenhouse gas emissions from the use of electricity in the manufacturing phase

National production mix from import, low voltage (production of transmission lines, in addition to direct emissions and losses in grid) of applied electricity for the manufacturing process (A3).

Electricity mix	Data source	Amount	Unit
Renewable electricity with Guarantee of Origin from LOS (kWh)	Modified ecoinvent 3.4	60,20	g CO2-ekv/kWh
District heating, Parainen (kWh)	Modified ecoinvent 3.4	20,54	g CO2-ekv/kWh

### Dangerous substances

The product contains no substances given by the REACH Candidate list or the Norwegian priority list. The product is classified as hazardous waste (Avfallsforskriften, Annex III), see table.

Name	CASNo	Amount
Portland Cement white	65997-15-1	25-50%

### Indoor environment

Regarding indoor air quality Weber flex fix has M1 indoor emission classification granted by the Finnish Building Information Foundation (Suomen Rakennustietosäätiö, RTS).

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