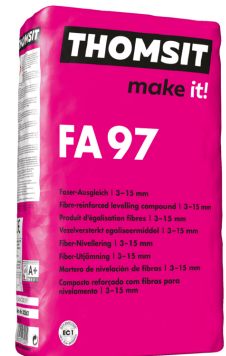


## Fiber-reinforced leveling compound

# FA 97

for wooden floors and screeds from 3 – 15 mm in one workstep



For dry indoor use only. Suitable under parquet as a system with elastic THOMSIT adhesives. Do not use THOMSIT FA 97 as a screed or wearing surface.

## FEATURES AND BENEFITS

- Fiber-reinforced
- Well suited for renovating old substrates
- Self-levelling
- Low-stress formulation
- High strength values

## FIELDS OF APPLICATION

Very low-emission, polymer-modified, cementitious floor leveller for producing substrates that comply with the applicable standards and are ready to receive flooring. THOMSIT FA 97 is a quality leveller for residential and commercial applications and can be used on substrates such as:

- wooden floors, prefabricated substrates, chipboards (P4 to P7) and OSB boards (OSB/2 to OSB/4)
- mineral screeds and concrete
- prefabricated screeds made of plasterboards/fiberboards
- mastic asphalt screeds
- ceramic tiles, natural stone and terrazzo
- old substrates (made of the above materials) with firmly adhering, waterproof residues of adhesives and levelling compounds.

Only for use in dry indoor areas. In combination with elastic THOMSIT adhesives, THOMSIT FA 97 is suitable for use under parquet. Do not use as a screed or wearing surface.

THOMSIT FA 97 meets the highest demands for occupational safety, indoor air quality and environmental compatibility.

## TECHNICAL DATA

Supplied as	grey powder
Packaging	EVO <sup>3</sup> bag, 25 kg
Shipping unit	42 bags per pallet
Amount of gauging water	6.0 l / 25 kg
Working time	approx. 30 minutes
Ready for foot traffic	after approx. 2.5 hours
Ready for covering	after approx. 24 hours
Load bearing	from 3 mm layer thickness resistant to chairs with castors according to DIN EN 12529
Temperature resistance	
after curing	up to max. +50 °C, can be used on underfloor heating constructions
for transport	-20 °C to +50 °C
for storage	0 °C to +50 °C
Shelf life	min. 12 months, cool and dry

The above times are based on normal climatic conditions (23 °C / 50 % rel. air humidity).

Other climatic conditions can cause a lengthening or shortening of cure and drying times.

## CONSUMPTION

Layer thickness	Consumption	Coverage per 25 kg bag
per 1 mm	approx. 1.5 kg/m <sup>2</sup>	
3 mm	approx. 4.5 kg/m <sup>2</sup>	approx. 8.3 m <sup>2</sup>
5 mm	approx. 7.5 kg/m <sup>2</sup>	approx. 3.3 m <sup>2</sup>
10 mm	approx. 15 kg/m <sup>2</sup>	approx. 1.7 m <sup>2</sup>

## PREPARATION OF SUBSTRATE

Substrates must comply with the valid requirements or comparable national standards. In particular they must be clean, free from structural defects, firm, permanently dry, and free of release agents.

The following maximum permissible residual moisture contents must always be observed (indicated in % CM):

Screed type	Resilient and textile flooring, parquet and other wood flooring, laminate	
	Heated	Unheated
Cement screed	1.8 %	2.0 %
Calcium sulfate screed	0.3 %	0.5 %

The ingress of moisture into the floor structure must always be prevented by suitable measures (e.g. waterproofing membranes, barrier primers). This applies in particular to composite structures and concrete floors.

In the case of cement-based substrates, any laitance must be removed using suitable machines. Always grind calcium sulfate screeds and vacuum clean. Dense, smooth surfaces, e.g. ceramic tiles, must be thoroughly cleaned and roughened.

Before applying the leveling compound, pretreat the surface with the recommended THOMSIT primer.

Wooden substrates such as boarded floors must be secured by retightening the screws and pre-treated with suitable THOMSIT primers. Joints between floor boards must first be closed (e.g. with acrylic joint sealants). Afterwards, fix the reinforcement webbing THOMSIT Floor TF® 300 with a slight tension (overlapping by approx. 3 cm in the seam area). When applying the leveling compound, make sure to observe a sufficient distance from the wall.

Ensure a constant, good ventilation of the wood floor by installing grilles (floor vents) and/or ventilated skirting boards. Tightly fixed, pre-treated floor boards (tongue and groove) in living areas can be screeded directly, without need for the reinforcement webbing, if they are to be covered with textile flooring.

## APPLICATION PROCEDURE

Fill the predefined amount of clean water into a clean mixing vessel and then add THOMSIT FA 97. Mix with a suitable stirrer (e.g. THOMSIT TE 162 Exaquir) for approx. 2 minutes until the mixture is free of lumps. Apply the leveling compound in the required layer thickness using a smoothing trowel or spreader.

## PLEASE NOTE

- Best possible indoor air quality after floor installation work requires conformity to the standard working conditions as well as completely dry substrates, primers and leveling compounds.
- Only carry out floor installation work if the floor temperature is above 15 °C, air temperature above 18 °C and relative humidity below 75 %.
- Wait until the applied product is completely dry before continuing with the next steps. For this purpose, ensure favorable climatic conditions (recommended: 50 % rel. humidity, 20 °C) and adequate air circulation.
- Risk of crack formation if the water is removed too quickly! Too rapid dehydration may be caused by high room temperatures or highly absorbent substrates. Therefore protect the freshly applied layer from drying out too quickly. If possible, cover with flooring within a max. period of two weeks. If this is not possible, the area should be protected against too rapid drying, e.g. by covering it with a protective sheet.
- Protect freshly installed surface from direct sunlight and draughts.
- Do not mix with other leveling compounds.
- We recommend to apply a reaction resin primer with quartz sand sprinkled over the surface for layer thicknesses of more than 10 mm for use on non-absorbent substrates and moisture-sensitive substrates (e.g. ceramic tiles, calcium sulphate screeds, wood/wooden boards, firmly adhering adhesive residues, etc.).
- Apply a fairing coat of at least 3 mm thickness on non-absorbent substrates.
- Level mastic asphalt screeds no thicker than 5 mm.
- Do not use outdoors or in areas directly or indirectly exposed to moisture. If in doubt, use suitable moisture barriers.
- Do not use for producing screeds or wearing surfaces.
- Clean tools with water immediately after use.
- Close open bags thoroughly and use them up quickly.
- When applied on soft layers (e.g. adhesive residues), cementitious leveling compounds are susceptible to cracking. Such layers must therefore be removed as far as possible before applying the compound.

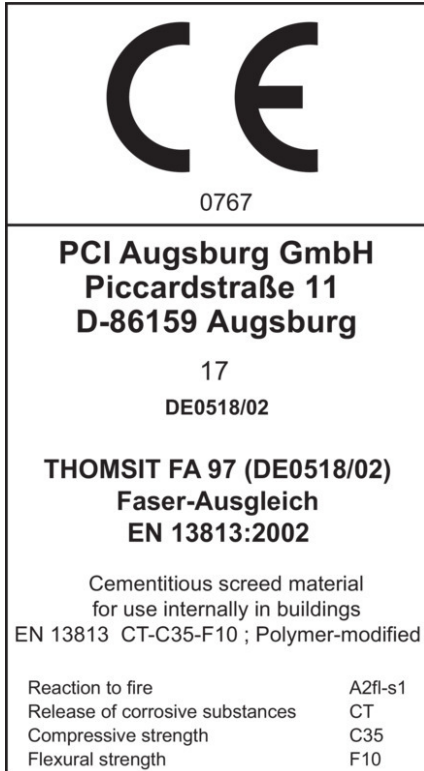
## TECHNICAL INFORMATION

Please follow the instructions in the following information sheets:

- DIN 18365 "Flooring work".
- DIN 18356 "Parquet work".
- Technical Briefing Notes issued by Technische Kommission Bauklebstoffe ([www.klebstoffe.com](http://www.klebstoffe.com), see under "Publications"), in particular "Assessment and preparation of substrates", leaflet TKB-8, and "Technical description and processing of

floor leveling compounds", leaflet TKB-9.

- "Notes on the assessment and preparation of the surface of anhydrite flowable screeds" from the Federal Association of Screed and Flooring e.V. (BEB), Troisdorf ([www.beb-online.de](http://www.beb-online.de)).
- "Assessment and preparation of substrates" issued by Bundesverband Estrich und Belag e.V. (BEB), Troisdorf, ([www.beb-online.de](http://www.beb-online.de))
- Generally recognized rules of the trade for flooring works as well as the applicable national standards.



## DECLARATION OF PERFORMANCE

The Declaration of Performance can be downloaded as pdf file under [www.thomsit.com](http://www.thomsit.com).

## PRODUCT SAFETY

Contains: Portland cement.

Causes severe eye damage. Causes skin irritation. Keep out of the reach of children. Wear waterproof, heavy-duty protective gloves, eye/face protection. In case of contact with eyes: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove any contact lenses if possible. Continue rinsing. Seek medical advice/medical attention immediately. In case of contact with skin: Wash with plenty of soap and water. If skin irritation occurs: Seek medical advice/attention. Provide thorough ventilation during processing and drying. Avoid eating, drinking and smoking while processing the product. Wear long pants. Keep children away from fresh material. The longer fresh material remains on the skin, the greater the risk of serious skin damage. Information for allergy sufferers under telephone no. +49 821 5901-0.

Further information is available in the safety data sheet at [www.thomsit.com](http://www.thomsit.com).

GISCODE ZP 1                      low-chromate content acc. to guidelines 2003/53/EG

EMICODE EC 1                      very low-emission

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## DISPOSAL

Further information on disposal can be found on our homepage at <http://www.thomsit.de/services-seminare/entsorgungshinweise>. Do not allow the product to enter sewer systems, surface waters or the soil. Only return the completely emptied buckets for recycling. Dried material residues can be disposed of as household waste. Non-hardened product residues must be taken to a collection point for hazardous waste.

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