



## PRODUCT DATA SHEET

# Gap Sand

Cement Australia Gap Sand is a special blend of graded fine sands and additives designed to help lock into place all types of brick and block paving.

## Features & Benefits

- Gap Sand inhibits weed growth and insect infestation by forming a firm but pliable joint between each paver which allows slight movement without distortion or cracking
- When re-wet through rain or hosing Gap Sand forms a pliable Gel which returns to the firm bond between the pavers once it is dry
- Assists in maintaining joint integrity and stability
- Quick and easy to use

## Applications

Gap Sand can be used with all types of paving and is ideal in areas of heavy traffic movement, high wind areas, driveways, pool surrounds, sloping sites and for topping up existing paving.

## Availability

Product available in 20kg bags

## Coverage

One 20kg bag covers approximately 3.5 m<sup>2</sup> at a 3mm gap (brick shaped pavers).

One 20kg bag covers approximately 12m<sup>2</sup> at a 3mm gap (400mm square pavers).

## Directions for Use

1. Lay pavers as per manufacturer's instructions
2. Gap Sand should be thoroughly swept into all joints using a stiff broom. Ensure that pavers are dry and free from all moisture as any dampness will restrict the free flow of filler into the joint
3. When all joints are filled a vibrating compactor or similar piece of equipment should then be worked over the entire area of paving to assist the flow of filler into the joints and to ensure the joints are firm
4. Thoroughly sweep the paved surface, topping up where necessary and remove all excess surface sand
5. Mist spray the paved surface ensuring that all areas receive a thorough wetting. Ensure that the water thoroughly soaks into the Gap Sand. Avoid heavy spraying or flooding of areas
6. When Gap Sand is dry and firm, paving is ready for traffic

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## Limitations

- Gap Sand is not a cement based product and therefore does not stay permanently firm like mortar.
- When Gap Sand is wet from either hosing or rain, or from dampness raising from the sub base, it is soft and pliable and reacts like wet sand, albeit a little 'stickier'
- Only when it is completely dry does Gap Sand form a firm bond between the pavers
- Care should be taken whenever paving is hosed not to point the water stream directly into the gaps as this will dislodge wet sand
- Gap Sand is not recommended for use in paving where the gaps are greater than 3mm wide. Cement Australia's Sand & Cement, swept in dry or mixed wet, is recommended for paving with gaps wider than 3mm
- Gap Sand is not recommended for areas where pavers are subject to continual exposure to moisture

## Specification

- Maximum gap width 3mm
- Maximum particle size 2mm
- Set characteristics – Gel
- Curing time is dependent upon climate and moisture level in pavers

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## Storage, Handling & Safety

- Care should be taken when lifting bagged products as personal injury may occur. It is suggested that when lifting bagged materials, the load is shared with another person
- Gap Sand should be stored in a dry place, off the ground and be protected from ingress of moisture
- The recommended shelf life is approximately 6 months from date of manufacture. This is provided the product is stored as recommended above. Once opened, the bag must be used on that day

## Things You Might Need

- Stiff Broom
- Hose with 'mist' spray nozzle
- Vibrating compactor

**NOTE:** The Gap Sand Safety Data Sheet (SDS) is available at [www.cementaustralia.com.au](http://www.cementaustralia.com.au)

