

# Ardex UK wins McDonald's contract



Ardex UK has been appointed by the world's largest family restaurant chain, McDonalds, to supply a tile fixing solution for the re-fit of all of the chain's UK restaurant locations, having demonstrated expertise and understanding of large scale 'roll out' refurbishment programmes, and the necessity to ensure consistency of product, as well as the provision of technical support.

After initial consultations and site visits with the McDonalds Property Team, Ardex proposed an efficient cost and labour saving 'tile on tile' solution for the tiling refurbishment. The proposal was supported by product demonstrations to the McDonalds team, as well as the appointed tiling contractors.

Each refit will commence with the existing wall and floor tiles being cleaned with Ardex DGR Degreaser. Any damaged tiles will be removed, and the areas patch repaired to level using Ardex Ardurapid A45 rapid hardening and drying internal repair mortar which is able to receive new tiles only 90 minutes after application, regardless of thickness.

To facilitate tile on tile application, Ardex P4 Primer was specified for use onto the existing tiles. This offers rapid drying of just one hour, enabling the early fixing of new tiles with Ardex X 77 Microtec Flexible Floor & Wall Tile Adhesive. Ardex X 77 has an open time of up to 60 minutes, providing greater fixing efficiency over large areas, and has been developed to fix heavier, larger tiles without slipping.

For the floors, Ardex P 4 Primer was specified for use on the existing floor tiles prior to the application of Ardex Microtec X 78 S Ultra Rapid Setting Floor Tile Adhesive that offers rapid hardening performance that enables tiles to be walked on and grouted after only 90 minutes.

Ardex-Flex FL Rapid Setting Flexible Grout, with built-in admix, was chosen to fill the tile joints. In addition to offering a colour palette of 32 colours, Ardex-Flex tile grouts incorporate flexibility, water repellence, ease of application and dirt resistance.

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