



Address: Cnr Malibongwe Dr & R114, Nietgedacht Scope: Tile installation systems to interior walls, floors and showers of housing units, and to exterior floors within a large residential development. Size: 40 000m<sup>2</sup>

## **CHALLENGES FACED**

A large development with various installation areas which required a multi-level system to accommodate the needs of each application.

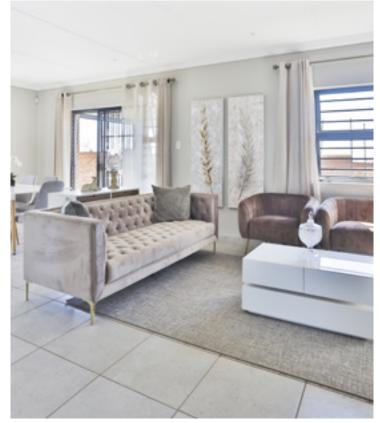
## SOLUTION

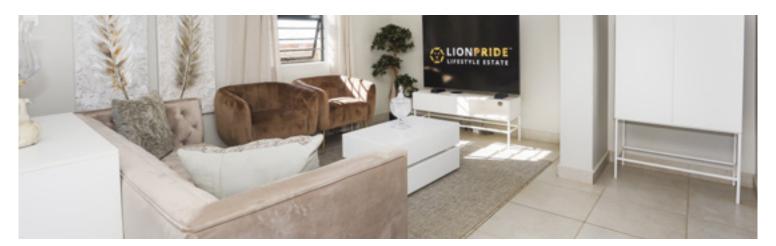
A multi-level system for fixing ceramic tiles to interior walls and floors  $% \left\{ \left( 1\right) \right\} =\left\{ \left( 1$ 

**Level 1 -** Adhesive system. The 300x600mm and 500x500mm glazed ceramic tiles were fixed to walls and floors respectively with TAL Probond, a modified standard-setting adhesive, with a recommendation to use TAL Porcelainset for areas where quicker access was required.

**Level 2 -** Grout system. TAL Wall & Floor Grout was used to fill tile joints in the wall and ground floor tile installation. The grout mix was modified with TAL Bond to fill the tile joints in the upstairs floor tiling installations, to accommodate the anticipated movement of a suspended slab.

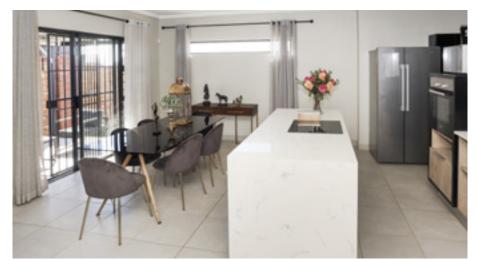
**Level 3** - Tile panel movement joints and perimeter joints. The lack of movement joints in a tile panel is a major cause of tile failure. Movement joints were specified in both directions at maximum 5 metre centres for interior surface bed applications, and in both directions at maximum 3 metre centres for suspended slab applications as well as around the perimeter of all the floors. TAL Sealmaster Cord and TAL Goldstar Sealmaster 1000 polyurethane joint sealant were recommended for filling and sealing of the tile panel movement joints and perimeter joints.

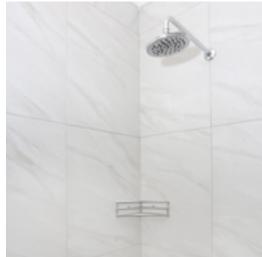












A multi-level system for fixing hardbody and porcelain tiles to walls and ceramic tiles to floors of waterproofed showers.

**Level 1 -** Adhesive system. The 600x600mm hardbody and porcelain tiles (walls) and cut glazed ceramic floor tiles were fixed onto a cementitious waterproofing compound with TAL Porcelainset, a quick-setting adhesive. This product was used as the setting time of standard-setting adhesives may be extended when applied to impervious waterproofed substrates. The tile adhesive was modified with TAL Bond for enhanced water resistance and flexibility.

**Level 2 -** Grout system. TAL Wall and Floor Grout modified with TAL Bond was used to grout the showers. The modified system delivers enhanced flexibility and water resistance to the installation.

A multi-level system for fixing ceramic tiles to exterior floors.

**Level 1 -** Adhesive system. The 500x500mm and 330x330mm glazed ceramic tiles were fixed onto the exterior wood-floated floors with TAL Probond. This modified standard-setting tile adhesive is formulated to incorporate flexibility, water resistance and increased strength, usually only achieved by the addition of latex admixtures.

**Level 2 -** Grout system. TAL Wall and Floor Grout modified with TAL Bond was used to grout the installation. The modified system delivers enhanced flexibility and water resistance to the installation.

**Level 3** - Tile panel movement joints and perimeter joints. The lack of movement joints in a tile panel is a major cause of tile failure. Movement joints were specified in both directions at maximum 3 metre centres for exterior applications and around the perimeter of all floors. TAL Sealmaster Cord and TAL Goldstar Sealmaster 1000 polyurethane joint sealant were recommended for filling and sealing of the tile panel movement joints and perimeter joints.

## INTERESTING FACTS

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