

The Facts About Grouting in Hot Weather

1. The warmer the temperature of the grout, the shorter the working time.
2. Temperature of the mixed grout is determined by the temperature of the greatest mass. Just adding 4 quarts of cold water to grout that's 100 degrees will not significantly drop the temperature.
3. Shade is critical. Direct sunlight heats things up at a greater rate.
4. Air circulation is key to reducing temperature of the grout prior to placement. Spread it out in the shade.
5. Grouts will gain strength faster.
6. Curing is critical since the grout tends to dry out faster.
7. Pouring your grout in the early morning or at night may not be enough to counter the temperatures if other steps are not taken.
8. Wet curing of cement grouts is critical in hot weather.
9. Direct sunlight is one of the greatest enemies of epoxy grout after placement.
10. All areas, equipment, water and the grout should be pre-conditioned for the best chance of success.

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