# Drywall User Guide



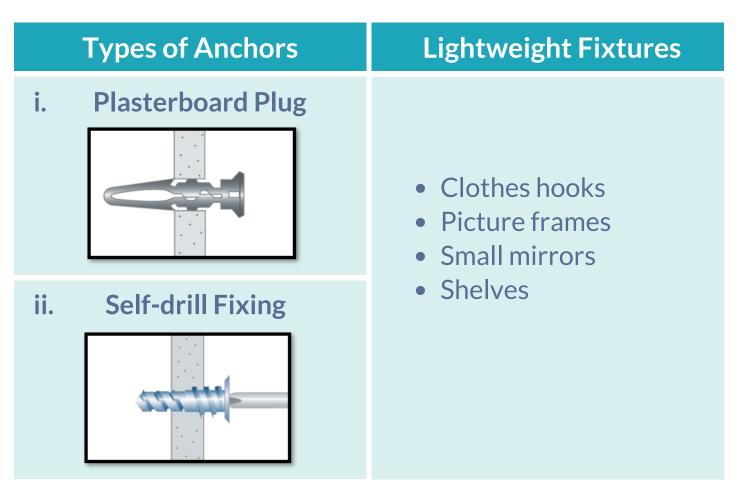
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# **Selection of Anchors**

There are different types of anchors that can be mounted on the drywall. You should take note of the following:

- Choose anchors based on the **weight of the item** you are hanging.
- When installing fixtures that can hold items, such as shelves, **consider the additional weight** that it will hold.
- Avoid <u>concealed electrical wiring</u> when installing anchors.

### Light to Medium Duty Anchors (<12kg/ point load)



## Heavy Duty Anchors (<25kg/ point load)

Use suitable mounting brackets to support your fixtures.

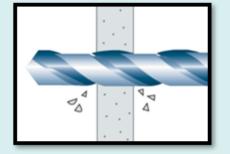
Types of Anchors	Heavy Fixtures
iii. E-Z Toggle	<ul> <li>Air-conditioning units</li> <li>Bookshelves</li> <li>Televisions</li> <li>Cabinets</li> </ul>
iv. Heavy Duty Anchor	

# **Installation Methods**

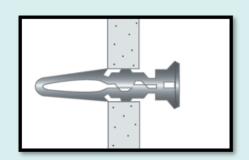
## Plasterboard Plug (Light Duty Anchor)

Step 2

#### Step 1

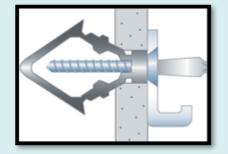


• Mark out and drill a hole according to the anchor size



- Compress the 'wings'
- Push plug into hole
- Lightly tap till the plug is flush with the wall

#### Step 3



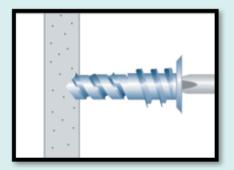
- Position fixture
- Insert screw
- Tighten till secure

### ii.

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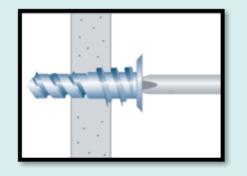
### Self-drill Fixing (Light Duty Anchor)

#### Step 1



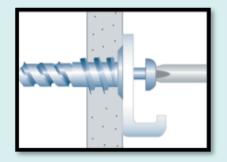
 Push the anchor into the drywall with a screwdriver to create a pilot hole

#### Step 2



 Screw the anchor till it is flush with the wall

#### Step 3



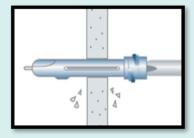
- Position fixture
- Insert compatible screw
- Tighten till secure

## E-Z Toggle (Heavy Duty Anchor)

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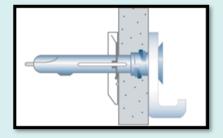
iii.



 Drive the anchor into the drywall with a screwdriver (turn clockwise), till it is flush with the wall

• Position fixture and insert screw

Step 3



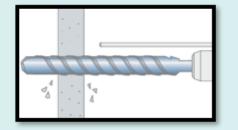
• Tighten screw

#### iv.

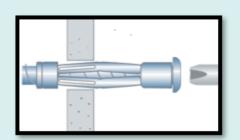
#### **Heavy Duty Anchor**

Step 2

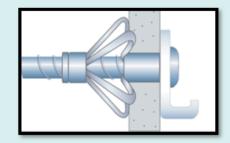
Step 1



 Mark out and drill a hole according to the anchor size



 Push plug into hole and lightly tap till the plug is flush with the wall Step 3

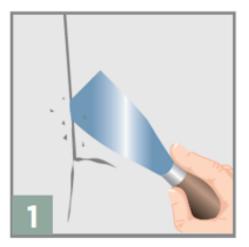


- Position fixture
- Insert compatible screw
- Tighten till secure
- The anchor will expand when tightened

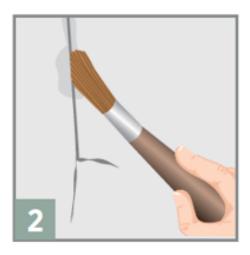
# **Minor Repairs**

There are various ways to fix a damaged drywall. The most common methods are outlined below.

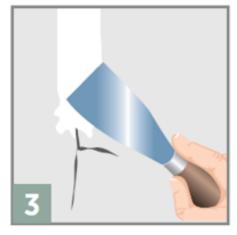
## **Repairing a Small Dent or Crack**



Use a scraper to scrape out loose material at the crack



Wet the crack with water or polyvinyl acetate (PVA) adhesive using a paint brush





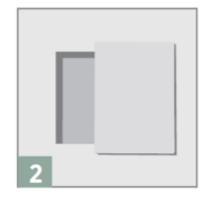
Fill crack with putty slightly beyond the edges and let it set

Sand the area after the putty has set for a smooth finish

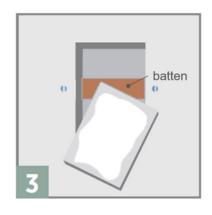
### **Repairing a Hole**



- Cut a rectangular hole around the damaged area
- Check for <u>concealed</u> <u>electrical wiring</u> before cutting



- Prepare a piece of drywall such that it fits snugly into the hole
- Use a batten behind the drywall patch to better support it



- Place the batten through the hole and fix it onto the drywall with screws
- Screw the drywall patch onto the batten



• Fill putty around the edges of the patch



- Spread more putty to secure the patch
- Sand the area after the putty has set for a smooth finish