

ABSTRACT

There are disclosed an acrylic SMC or BMC comprising an acrylic monomer or acrylic syrup (A), an inorganic filler (B) and a polymer powder (C) containing a remaining emulsifier in
5 an amount from 0.01 to 0.95 wt% as constituent components; a method for producing an acrylic SMC or BMC comprising kneading the components at a temperature from 20 to 70°C for thickening thereof using a kneader 8; a method for producing artificial marble comprising curing under heat and pressure this acrylic
10 SMC or BMC; and a thickening agent composed of the polymer powder (C). These are useful for producing (meth)acrylic artificial marble having excellent various properties such as appearance, hot water-resistance and the like.