ACRYLOC® WALLCOTE® SYSTEM SPECIFICATION for FIBRE CEMENT SUBSTRATES

DESCRIPTION

Fibre Cement Sheeting is used as an external cladding or lining material for fascia, infill panels and general broad walling. The sheeting is typically fixed to timber or metal framing on-site or as part of a prefabricated cladding system.

WALLCOTE COATING SYSTEM

The Wallcote System components recommended for use on Fibre Cement Substrates are shown below.
Examples of Fibre Cement are: Blue Board®, Harditex®, CSR Texture Base Sheet, BGC Duratex™, AFS Wall™

Recommended Components	Notes
Prime (recommended)	
Acryloc Primerbond Masonry Concentrate	Binds and ensures uniform porosity and suction of the surface and aids adhesion of Prep Coat
Set Joints, Fix Beads & Trims	
Acryloc Patch Fine	Multi purpose jointing, fine patching & skim coating, add 5-10% cement for joints & corners, embed mesh in joints
Prep Coat	
Acryloc Patch Coarse	Broadwall Levelling Coat.
Texture Coating (choose from)	
Acryloc Marblecote Medium	Trowel On & Finish with a Texture Float
(or) Acryloc Eco-Tex Fine or Medium	Trowel On & Finish with a Texture Float
(or) Acryloc Allegro Medium	Trowel On & Finish with a Texture Float
	All texture coats are tintable to aid Colour Coat coverage
Membrane Coating (for full durability)	
Acryloc Armourflex	Highly Durable, Masonry Matt or Lo Sheen finish, protective Paint coating, tintable to a wide range of colours
(or) Armourflex Extreme	

FEATURES & BENEFITS

- Excellent water resistance with good vapour permeability
- Excellent crack resistance from a flexible acrylic base
- Strong adhesion and Excellent durability
- Easy to apply, Water based for easy & safe clean up
- Low maintenance

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IMPORTANT REQUIREMENTS

- Fibre Cement Sheets must be installed as per the current edition of the respective manufacturer's fixing manual.
- Fibre Cement Sheets should only be installed when dry.
- Fixings must be in accordance with the manufacturer's specification and must be sufficiently flushed to suit the covering ability of the specified texture coating.
- All exposed edges of the Fibre Cement Sheets must be protected with PVC or other exterior grade beading.
- Once application of the Wallcote system has occurred, the applicator is taken to have approved the installation and fixing of the panels.
- Application methods and processes must be approved by the client, preferably with the application of a site sample.
- The surface must be clean, sound, dry and free from contaminants including oil, mould release, dust, dirt, silicone, mud, grease, salt, efflorescence, animal droppings and any loose or flaking material.

PRIMING

We recommend The Fibre Cement board should be primed prior to the texture coating system being installed.

- Use diluted Acryloc Primerbond Masonry Concentrate and apply a single coat of at the rate of 10-13 m2/L
- Allow Primer to dry before commencing following coats

(Note: Primerbond Masonry Concentrate is supplied as a concentrate which must be diluted 1:1 before use)
Refer to the appropriate Tech Data Sheet.

JOINTS & CORNER BEADS

Fibre Cement Sheeting is usually manufactured with a rebated edge to facilitate joint flushing.

PVC or exterior grade steel beads & trims are used for corners, window openings and the like.

Use Acryloc Patch with the addition of 5-10% Portland Cement for added strength on both joints and beads.

- Prepare the Acryloc Patch by adding 1-2kg of Portland Cement per 15L pail. Mix thoroughly.
- Adding excess cement can cause the product to have a reduced pot life and hamper application, workability and durability. Do not thin after addition of cement. Only add cement to the quantity of Acryloc Patch to be used

Setting Joints (use Acryloc Patch Fine with added Cement)

- Apply a 2mm layer of Acryloc *Patch Fine* into the recessed joint
- Apply a single strip of alkali resistant fiberglass tape and trowel into the freshly applied material
- It is essential that the Patch is in contact with the entire panel surface and that the mesh is fully surrounded or encapsulated by the Patch. The mesh MUST NOT be directly applied, fixed, glued or pushed back to the panel surface. Self adhesive mesh is NOT suitable for this application.
- When the tape is fully bedded, skim over with one (1) further coat of Acryloc *Patch*, feathering edges as neatly as possible. The joint should be filled flush with the surrounding surface. **Do not fill control or expansion joints.**

Beads & Trims (use Acryloc Patch Fine with added Cement)

Either,

- Use Acryloc Patch to fix the trim by fully coating the inside of the trim with Acryloc Patch, pressing firmly into place and trowelling off the outside of the trim to ensure that all holes are filled and feather out onto the panel;

Or, if the trim is already fixed in place*,

- Apply Acryloc Patch to the trim, trowelling it into the holes to ensure that there are no voids or air pockets.

* Trims must be securely fixed, see our separate Technical Bulletin on Beads & Trims

Allow minimum 24 hours for the compound to dry before skim coating.

PREP COAT

A skim coat is applied over the whole surface to create even substrate absorption, fully hide joints and to correct any minor surface misalignment. **Do not coat over expansion or control joints.**

- Apply Acryloc *Patch Coarse* to the surface to a nominal thickness of 1-2mm.
- Two or more applicators may be required for large uninterrupted wall areas
- Allow surface to stand for a short time prior to finishing

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- Rub up or 'finish' with a suitable float either in a vertical or circular fashion, terminating only when a whole area or section is completely coated.
- Typically one (1) coat should be adequate if the substrate is flat and level; a second coat can be applied if required
- Allow minimum 4 hours for the compound to dry between coats and before texture coating.

TEXTURE COATING

- Apply the selected Acryloc Trowel-On texture and follow the appropriate Tech Data Sheet.
- Application must be carried out in a brisk uniform fashion, terminating only when a whole area or section is completely coated, for example, at an expansion joint or corner.

Do not texture over expansion or control joints.

- Acryloc texture coatings should not be extended (spread) too far; otherwise durability &/or hiding power may suffer.
- Allow minimum 48 hours before commencing the paint coat.
- Coverage depends upon the particle size of the texture coat; Marblecote Medium should give 12-14 m^2/pail. Fine texture will give a little more while coarser materials will cover less area.

MEMBRANE COATING

Painting of texture with Acryloc Armourflex is required to fully protect against water ingress, minimize dirt build up on the surface and to extend the life of the coating system. Refer to the appropriate Tech Data Sheet

- Apply Acryloc Armourflex as detailed in the current version of the Tech Data Sheet. Coverage should be 4-6m^2/litre for a single coat over texture & 8-10 m^2/litre on a flat surface.
- Armourflex Extreme can be used if a full elastomeric membrane is specified. Armourflex Extreme can increase warranty in certain situations. Coverage should be 3-3.5 m^2/litre for a single coat over texture & 6-8 m^2/litre on a flat surface
- Acryloc *Armourflex* may require thinning, depending upon the application method used. Up to 1L of clean water may be added to a 15L pail (~6.5%) without the need to apply any extra coats. Thorough mixing is essential. Greater than 10% addition is not recommended in a final coat.

WARRANTY

Our goods come with guarantees that cannot be excluded under the Australian Consumer Law and the benefits provided by our warranty are in addition to other rights and remedies available to the consumer under the law. You are entitled to a replacement or refund for a major failure and for compensation for any other reasonably foreseeable loss or damage. You are also entitled to have the goods repaired or replaced if the goods fail to be of acceptable quality and the failure does not amount to a major failure.

In addition to these legal requirements, Acryloc Building Products provides a material replacement warranty against peeling or flaking of the full Wallcote™ System caused by any defect in manufacture for a period of ten years when applied correctly by a skilled and experienced applicator in accordance with all current application criteria, including but not limited to, substrate type and preparation, application rates and methods, prevailing weather conditions and protection of finished work.

Acryloc Building Products provides no warranty, expressed or implied, against damage due to movement of the substrate or structure and Acryloc Building Products cannot accept responsibility for variations in colour, strength, appearance or workability resulting from on-site mixing procedures and conditions.

To claim under this warranty, contact us by phone, mail, or through the 'contact us' facility on our website (see the contact information below), and give details of the claim, including your contact details. Proof of purchase is required and we reserve the right to inspect the affected property at our cost.

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