



# **INSTALLATION GUIDE FOR ELASTOMERIC FLEXIBLE FINISH SYSTEM**

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## **ELASTOMERIC FLEXIBLE FINISH SYSTEM FOR APPROVED SUBSTRATES**

**A synthetic texture coating for direct application over any approved substrate including exterior plywood, exterior OSB board or exterior cement board.**

- STEP 1      JOINT TREATMENT:**  
All joints, crack, and nail holes are filled with FLEXBASE™. The use of fiberglass mesh tape centered over joints and imbedded with a minimum of 40 -50 mils of FLEXBASE™ is required. Two coats or applications may be necessary.
- STEP 2      PRIMER:**  
Complete Coatings™ penetrating primer/sealer is sprayed, rolled or brushed on to the exposed substrate surface at no less than 2 mils wet.
- STEP 3      FINISH:**  
SELECTFLEX™ finish is spray or trowel applied; a base cover coat may be applied and allowed to dry before applying the desired texture. A wide choice of colors and textures are available.

## **I. FLEXBASE™**

**DESCRIPTION – A multi-use, highly elastic, minimum shrinkage, rubberized compound used for the following purposes**

- **Flexible filler and joint compound**
- **Crack patching compound for approved substrates**
- **Sealant for holes around pipes or any substrate penetration**
- **Useable as bulk caulking**

### **ADVANTAGES**

- **Premixed, ready to use**
- **Applied with standard drywall tools**
- **Remains flexible**
- **Fast drying**
- **Paintable**
- **Fast and easy to use**

**PACKAGING – 5 Gallon Pails**

**COVERAGE – Varies with application and substrate**

### **CAUTIONS**

- **Protect unused material from freezing**
- **Store unused material out of direct sunlight**
- **Do not apply to frosty or frozen surfaces or in temperatures less than 40° or greater than 110° F.**
- **Protect applied material from freezing or rain until dry to touch**
- **Surfaces to be coated must be free from dirt, oils, parting compounds or any substance that would prevent achieving a good bond**

## **II. PENETRATING PRIMER/SEALER**

**DESCRIPTION** – A high quality penetrating primer used to seal and prime wood, masonry, cement board, cement plaster, stucco or drywall surfaces in preparation for the finish coat.

### **ADVANTAGES**

- **Increases uniformity of finish coat**
- **Strengthens bond of finish coat**
- **Reduces the amount of finish coat needed**
- **Fast drying and easy to apply**
- **May be brushed, rolled, or sprayed**

**PACKAGING** – 5 Gallon Pails

**COVERAGE** – 250 TO 300 sq. ft. per gallon depending upon the porosity of the substrate

### **CAUTIONS**

- **Surfaces to be coated must be free from dirt, oils, parting compounds or any substance that would prevent achieving a good bond**
- **Do not apply to frosty or frozen surfaces or in temperatures less than 40° or greater than 110° F.**
- **Protect applied material from freezing or rain until completely dry**
- **Protect unused material from freezing**
- **Store unused material out of direct sunlight**
- **Stir or shake well before using and do not thin**
- **Apply at no less than 2 mils wet**

### **III. SELECTFLEX™**

**DESCRIPTION** – A colored elastomeric texture coating used to create texture finishes over new or existing approved wood sheathing, drywall, plaster, or cement. SELECTFLEX™ is applied approximately 60 mils thick using plaster trowels or spray.

#### **ADVANTAGES**

- Provides long lasting textures and colors
- Flexible to allow for building movement and transport
- Spans cracks
- Creates the appearance of textured stucco
- Beautiful long-lasting finish
- Variety of colors and texture to choose from
- Resistant to dirt and stains

**PACKAGING** – 5 Gallon Pails

**COVERAGE** – Spray application: 120-160 sq. ft. depending on texture  
Trowel application: 110-150 sq. ft. depending on texture

**NOTE** – Apply Complete Coatings™ penetrating primer before applying SELECTFLEX™ to unsealed wood or porous high suction substrates. Metal requires a metal primer.

#### **CAUTIONS**

- Surfaces to be coated must be free from dirt, oils, parting compounds or any substance that would prevent achieving a good bond
- Do not apply to frosty or frozen surfaces or in temperatures less than 40° or greater than 110° F.
- Protect applied material from freezing or rain until completely dry
- Protect unused material from freezing
- Store unused material out of direct sunlight
- Stir well before using
- Metal substrates require a metal primer
- Do not use SELECTFLEX™ below grade

## **COMPLETE COATINGS FLEXIBLE ELASTOMERIC FINISH SPECIFICATIONS FOR APPLICATION OVER APPROVED SUBSTRATES**

### **A. FRAMING**

Framing shall be in compliance with local building codes, governmental agencies and Complete Coatings specifications.

### **B. SUBSTRATES**

Wood sheathing shall be of exterior grade plywood, exterior OSB board exterior cement board or any Complete Coatings approved sheathing. Sheathing shall be smooth and free of defects, splinters, etc. All substrates shall be applied per manufacturer instructions.

### **C. TRIMS AND TERMINATIONS**

All terminations should be encapsulated with Complete Coatings System. All trims should be galvanized or UV resistant exterior plastic trims.

### **D. MOISTURE PROTECTION**

1. All gaps around doors, windows, vents, piping, and electrical fixtures shall be caulked.
2. Hold bottom edge of sheathing high enough above ground level to prevent damage to sheathing and finish system by moisture. Moisture that is absorbed by wood sheathing will cause rotting, swelling or delamination of the wood resulting in bond failure. Trapped moisture in wood will cause damage when frozen.
3. Do not use Complete Coatings Elastomeric Flexible System below grade.
4. Protect exposed edges of sheathing by encapsulating with Complete Coatings System.
5. All windowsills and horizontal ledges should be slightly sloped to allow moisture runoff by tapering base coat.
6. Horizontal surfaces or areas with standing water will result in the softening of the coating.

7. Surface areas that may be subjected to moisture from leaking hose bibs, sprinklers, or melting snow shall be primed and double coated with base before applying finish.

#### **E. DECORATIVE POP OUTS**

Extra care in preparation must be taken on dimensional lumber because of possible warping and movement. Joints and inside corners where pop outs contact sheathing shall be meshed with 2" wide plastic mesh. The entire pop out and the area 3" on each side should be sealed with primer and coated with base 60 mils thick before applying the finish.

#### **F. ALL JOINT TREATMENT**

2" wide fiberglass mesh tape joint reinforcement is centered over joints and apply FLEXBASE™ to create a smooth and level surface.

#### **G. FASTENER HEADS**

Heads should be recessed at least 1/32 and covered with FLEXBASE™ that is feathered out from the hole. Fasteners must be corrosive resistant and secured to framing member or removed.

#### **H. CAUTIONS**

1. Do not apply to frosted or freezing surfaces
2. Protect unused material from freezing
3. Protect newly applied material from freezing
4. Store unused material out of direct sunlight
5. Do not apply to frosty or frozen surfaces or in temperatures less than 40° or greater than 110° F.
6. Protect uncured materials from rain or freezing
7. All cementitious and raw wood substrates must be primed and sealed