

TOTAL WALL

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RE-SKIMMING AN EIFS WALL

An EIFS wall may have additional layers of lamina added to the existing wall. The additional lamina may be any of the following options:

Option 1 - a layer of Finish Coat,

Option 2 - a layer of Base Coat with mesh followed by a layer of Finish Coat,

Option 3 - a layer of high impact mesh and Base Coat followed by standard mesh and Base Coat followed by a layer of Finish Coat.

Option 1 - a layer of Finish Coat may be used where a change in texture, a change in color or a correction of blemishes is desired. However, the success of this approach is highly dependent on the condition and type of texture of the existing wall and the chosen new texture.

Option 2 - a layer of Base Coat with mesh followed by a layer of Finish Coat may be used where an exact and predictable change in texture and correction of blemishes is required. In addition, an increase in impact strength is obtained from the added layer of Base Coat and mesh. Acceptable mesh options are: 4 ounce Standard, 6 ounce Standard Plus, and 11 ounce Intermediate mesh. All three meshes are lapped a minimum of 2-1/2". The heavier 6-ounce mesh will increase impact resistance by approximately 33% vs. the 4 ounce mesh, and the 11 ounce mesh will increase impact resistance by approximately 160% vs. the 4 ounce mesh.

Option 3 - a layer of high impact mesh and Base Coat followed by standard mesh and Base Coat followed by a layer of Finish Coat may be used where a major increase in impact resistance is required. Acceptable mesh options are 15-ounce High Impact and 20 ounce Ultra High Impact meshes. The High Impact mesh is embedded in Base Coat and the edges are butted. Another layer of Base Coat with Standard 4 ounce mesh is then applied over the High Impact layer. Impact resistance for the High and Ultra High mesh will increase by more than 500% vs. the 4-ounce mesh.

All three listed options require a layer of TOTAL WALL Finish in the specified color and texture. Choose the best option for your circumstances and requirements. Proper use of any of the above options will not alter or interfere with your existing TOTAL WALL Warranty. Give us a call to discuss your situation and answer any questions that you may have.

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