

Gamatex™

Do's

(Best Practice) and

Don'ts

(Critical To Avoid)



SITE SETUP

- **Do** position scaffolding (if used) 400–600 mm away from the wall.
- **Do** ensure expansion joints are properly sealed with compatible sealant.
- **Do** complete site inspection reports before, during, and after application.
- Remove high and low spots in plaster work with a suitable **weber** wall skimming mortars (**weber basecoat, a.b.e.'s duralatex, weber platermix**).
- **Do** store product in a cool, dry place indoors or under cover.
- **Do** re-mix **Gamatex™** product prior to application.

SURFACE PREPARATION

- **Do** ensure the substrate is smooth, even, and properly finished (wood float finish).
- **Do** allow plaster to cure for a minimum of 28 days.
- **Do** confirm moisture content is below 8% using a moisture meter.
- **Do** ensure surfaces are clean, dust-free, free of loose material and efflorescence.
- **Do** conduct adhesion (pull-off) tests on painted surfaces, surface sanding may be required before application.
- **Do** ensure that plastered surface is absorbent.
- **Do** ensure that there is good adhesion between the paint and substrate.

APPLICATION CONDITIONS

- **Do** apply in cooler parts of the day (early morning preferred).
- **Do** ensure ambient temperature is between 5°C and 30°C.
- **Do** protect applied areas from rain or frost for at least 24 hours.

APPLICATION TECHNIQUE

- **Do** complete each panel/section in one continuous application (same day) to avoid colour and texture variation.
- **Do** use material from the same batch number on a given elevation or panel to ensure colour consistency.
- In cases of different batch numbers, do blend multiple batches for colour continuity.
- **Do** use tape joints/panelling on large surfaces to control finish.
- **Do** keep panels ≤ 20m² to avoid dry joints.
- **Do** maintain a wet edge during application.
- **Do** apply using a steel trowel and finish with a plastic trowel for patterning.
- **Do** ensure to use consistent application technique throughout the application.
- **Do** use complete **Gamatex™** bucket and avoid long term storage (1 month storage time) of incomplete units.

CLEANING & MAINTENANCE

- **Do** clean tools immediately with water after use.
- **Do** clean finished surfaces using mild, pH-neutral detergent.
- **Do** use biocide treatments for algae/mould where required.
- **Do** rinse surfaces thoroughly after cleaning.

SITE SETUP

- **Don't** position scaffolding (if used) too close to the wall (restricts proper application).
- **Don't** ignore expansion joints or seal them incorrectly.

SURFACE PREPARATION

- **Don't** apply over uncured plaster (<28 days).
- **Don't** apply to wet, damp, or contaminated surfaces.
- **Don't** leave loose, flaking paint or dust on the substrate.
- **Don't** skip adhesion testing on painted surfaces.

WEATHER CONDITIONS

Don't apply if:

- Rain or frost is expected within 24 hours.
- Temperature is below 5 °C or above 30 °C.
- Surface is in direct sunlight.
- Conditions are wet or humid.
- Conditions are windy.

APPLICATION ERRORS

- **Don't** allow dry joints to form (this will cause visible lines).
- **Don't** exceed recommended panel sizes (20m²).
- **Don't** apply without proper priming system.
- **Don't** use incorrect tools or inconsistent techniques across the surface.
- **Don't** leave substrate panels/sections incomplete (induce a joint where necessary with masking tape).

CLEANING & AFTERCARE

Don't use:

- Harsh chemicals.
- Ammonia-based cleaners.
- Bleach.
- **Don't** leave residue after cleaning (always rinse properly).
- **Don't** delay cleaning tools (material will set and damage equipment).
- **Don't** use pressure washer.



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