



1.3.26. Penetration

Any location in an EIF System where an object passes through all components of the system such as a window, door, light box, etc.)

1.3.27. Primer

A material used to prepare a surface for application of EIFS to the substrate or of the finish coat to the base coat.

1.3.28. Reinforced Base Coat

A base coat in which an open-weave glass-fiber fabric has been encapsulated to provide reinforcement.

1.3.29. Reinforcing Mesh

Open-weave glass-fiber fabric treated for compatibility with other materials of the system that functions to strengthen the system.

1.3.30. Sealant

Installed with or without a backer rod for the purpose to allow thermal expansion and contraction of dissimilar cladding components to prevent moisture penetration.

1.3.31. Sealant System

The use of primer, backer rod or bond breaker in conjunction with the installation of sealant.

1.3.32. Scratch Coat

The first coat of Portland cement stucco installed over metal wire or lath.

1.3.33. Substrate

The surface over which the EIFS/ETICS or weather resistive barrier is applied.

1.3.34. Weather/Moisture Barrier

The surface over which the EIFS or weather resistive barrier is applied.

1.3.35. Wet Edge

The leading edge of a continuously applied wet state material.

1.3.36. Wrapping

The process of totally encapsulating all EPS to seal and strengthen the system by bringing reinforcing mesh around the system terminations, embedded in base coat. Wrapping is also referred to as back wrap or edge wrap.