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Sto Guide Specification 1100 **StoQuik® Silver DrainScreen® for Frame Wall Construction with Sheathing**

Section 07 24 23 **Direct-Applied Finish Systems**

This guide specification is intended for use by the design/construction professional and any user of Sto products to assist in developing project specifications for a direct applied cement board stucco wall assembly applied to code compliant frame wall construction and sheathing. The assembly incorporates an air and water-resistive barrier (AWRB), drainage mat, cement board, and Sto reinforcing meshes, base coats, primers and finishes. The assembly complies with IBC requirements for use on noncombustible construction for buildings that are less than or equal to 40 ft (12.2m) in height above grade plane. The assembly may also be used on combustible construction within the height limits permitted by the applicable building code. Refer to this specification, Sto Guide Details, and ICC-ESR Report Nos. 1233 and 2536, and UL ER22158-01 for additional information. Notes in Italics, such as this one, are explanatory and intended to guide the design/construction professional and user in the proper selection and use of materials.

StoGuard, the air and water-resistive barrier in the system, functions in tandem with other compatible air and water-resistive barrier and flashing components of the building envelope to resist air and water infiltration. Sto DrainScreen, the drainage mat, creates a cavity behind the cement board to promote drainage and drying of the wall assembly in the event of incidental water infiltration through the outer surface of the cement board stucco assembly. National Gypsum PermaBase® Brand cement board is the substrate for Sto base coat, reinforcing mesh, primers, and finishes that complete the direct-applied cement board stucco wall assembly.

Limitations of direct-applied cement board stucco wall assemblies include:

- *Ultimate wind load resistance is typically limited by the fasteners and fastening schedule of the cement board (assuming supporting studs and sheathing assembly are sufficient to resist wind loads). Refer to Specification Section 1.4.*
- *The system is generally recommended for low-rise residential and commercial wall construction (4 stories or less). In some cases such as balcony infill walls the system may be used on taller buildings. See wind load data under Design Requirements and verify conformance with project design wind pressure requirements. Always construct a mock-up to verify design details, aesthetics, and test to verify performance as deemed by design professional.*
- *Noncombustible Construction: the system is limited for use on buildings that are less than or equal to 40 ft (12.2m) in height above grade plane.*
- *Combustible Construction: the system may be used on combustible construction within the height limits permitted by the applicable building code.*
- *The installed cement board surface must be straight and true to within ¼ inch in 10 feet (2 mm/m) for best aesthetics. Planar irregularities/waviness may be visible in the finished wall surface because of out of plane studs or other framing irregularities. Heavy texture finishes (> 1.5 mm) and/or two coats of base coat will minimize these effects.*
- *For use on vertical above grade wall surfaces only. Do not use below grade or on roofs or roof-like surfaces.*
- *Joints are required, including at intervals in the field of the wall to accommodate thermal movement. Refer to Specification Section 1.4E*
- *Light finish colors are recommended to minimize thermal stress.*
- *Air and water-resistive barrier and drainage mat are not intended for prolonged weather exposure. Refer to Product Bulletins.*
- *Refer to Sto Tech Hotline No. 0407-S, **Keys to Success: StoQuik Silver Cement Board Stucco Systems.***

*StoQuik Silver DrainScreen, as with any exterior wall assembly, requires proper design detailing and integration with other components, in particular flashing and air and water-resistive barrier transition materials, to provide a wall assembly that resists air and water infiltration. The weather protection afforded by StoQuik Silver DrainScreen should be evaluated by the design/construction professional in relation to building design, height, orientation, climate zone, and any other factors that affect the severity of exposure to rain and water infiltration. Refer to Sto Tech Hotline Nos. 0403-BSc, **Critical Detail Checklist for Wall Assemblies**, and 0603-BSc, **Moisture Control Principles for Design and Construction of Wall Assemblies**. Modifications should be made to this specification as deemed necessary by the design/construction professional to ensure a watertight building envelope without water entry or accumulation within the wall assembly, an airtight building envelope, and control of condensation from water vapor diffusion.*

For complete technical information on Sto components and other reference materials, refer to product and system bulletins, guide details, and other technical information available at www.stocorp.com. Notes in italics, such as this one, are explanatory and intended to guide the design/construction professional and user in the proper selection and use of materials.

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PART 1 GENERAL

1.1 SUMMARY

- A. This section includes materials and installation of exterior direct-applied cement board stucco backed with a drainage mat and an air and water-resistive barrier applied to sheathing on wood or steel frame walls.

1.2 RELATED SECTIONS

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| A. | Section 03 30 00 | Cast-In-Place Concrete |
| B. | Section 04 20 00 | Unit Masonry |
| C. | Section 06 16 00 | Sheathing |
| D. | Section 07 26 00 | Vapor Retarders |
| E. | Section 07 27 00 | Air and Water-resistive Barriers |
| F. | Section 07 50 00 | Membrane Roofing |
| G. | Section 07 62 00 | Sheet Metal Flashing and Trim |
| H. | Section 07 92 00 | Joint Sealants |
| I. | Section 08 40 00 | Entrances, Storefronts, and Curtain Walls |
| J. | Section 08 50 00 | Windows |

1.3 REFERENCED DOCUMENTS

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| A. | ASTM International (ASTM) |
| | C150 Specification for Portland Cement |
| | C297 Standard Test Method for Flatwise Tensile Strength of Sandwich Constructions |
| | C578 Specification for Preformed, Cellular Polystyrene Thermal Insulation |
| | C920 Specification for Elastomeric Joint Sealants |
| | C1177 Specification for Glass Mat Gypsum for Use as Sheathing |
| | C1325 Specification for Non-Asbestos Fiber-Mat Reinforced Cement Substrate Sheets |
| | D4541 Test Method for Pull-Off Strength of Coatings Using Portable Adhesion Testers |
| | E84 Test Method for Surface Burning Characteristics of Building Materials |
| | E96 Standard Test Methods for Water Vapor Transmission of Materials |
| | E283 Test Method for Determining Rate of Air Leakage Through Exterior Windows, Curtain Walls, and Doors Under Specified Pressure Differences Across the Specimen |

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| E330 | Test Method for Structural Performance of Windows, Curtain Walls, and Doors by Uniform Static Air Pressure Difference |
| E331 | Test Method for Water Penetration of Exterior Windows, Skylights, Doors, and Curtain Walls by Uniform Static Air Pressure Difference |
| E779 | Standard Test Method for Determining Air Leakage Rate by Fan Pressurization |
| E2178 | Standard Test Method for Air Permeance of Building Materials |
| E2357 | Standard Test Method for Determining Air Leakage of Air and Water-Resistive Barrier Assemblies |
| E2430 | Standard Specification for Expanded Polystyrene ("EPS") Thermal Insulation Boards for Use in Exterior Insulation and Finish Systems (EIFS) |
- B. APA Engineered Wood Association
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| PS 1 | Voluntary Product Standard, Structural Plywood |
| PS 2 | Performance Standard for Wood-Based Structural-Use Panels |
| E 30 | APA Engineered Wood Construction Guide |
- C. ICC (International Code Council)
- 2018 and 2021 IBC (International Building Code) and IRC (International Residential Code)
- D. ICC ES (International Code Council Evaluation Service)
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| AC 59 | Acceptance Criteria for Direct Applied Exterior Finish Systems (DEFS) |
| ICC ESR 1233 | StoGuard Air Barrier and Water-Resistive Barrier System and StoEnergy Guard (StoGuard with Continuous Insulation) |
| ICC ESR 2536 | StoQuik Silver I, StoQuik Silver II, and StoQuik Silver NEXt Cement Board Stucco Systems |
- E. National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) Standards
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| NFPA 285 | Standard Method of Test for the Evaluation of Flammability Characteristics of Exterior Non-Load-Bearing Wall Assemblies Containing Combustible Components Using the Intermediate-Scale, Multistory Test Apparatus |
| NFPA 268 | Standard Test Method for Determining Ignitability of Exterior Wall Assemblies Using a Radiant Heat Energy Source |
- F. South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD)
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| Rule 1113 (2019) | Building Envelope Coatings |
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- G. Sto Technical Publications
- Detail Series 11.xx, StoQuik Silver DrainScreen Detail Booklet
 - Sto RapidGuard Installation Guide
 - StoGuard Conformable Membrane Installation Guide
 - Detail Series 24.xx, StoShield SA Self-Adhered Membrane Air & Water-Resistive Barriers Installation Guide
 - Sto Tech Hotline 0307-S, Accessories for StoQuik Silver Cement Board Stucco Systems
 - Sto Tech Hotline 0407-S, Keys to Success: StoQuik Silver Cement Board Stucco Systems
- H. Underwriters Laboratories
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| UL ER22158-01 | PermaBase Cementitious Backer Units |
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- I. USEPA (United States Environmental Protection Agency)
 40 CFR Part 59 Code of Federal Regulations Title 40 Part 59 – National Volatile Organic Compound Emission Standards for Consumer and Commercial Products

1.4 DESIGN REQUIREMENTS

- A. Structural (wind and axial loads)
1. Design for maximum allowable deflection, normal to the plane of the wall of L/360
 2. Design for wind load in conformance with code requirements using framing members designed to comply with the standards, strength, and stiffness requirements of the applicable code.
 3. Minimum Stud Size / Gauge: wood studs, minimum 2x4; metal studs, minimum 18 gauge, 3-5/8 inch deep
 4. Maximum stud spacing: 16 inches (406mm) on center
 5. Sheathing: minimum 1/2 inch (13mm) glass mat faced gypsum sheathing in compliance with ASTM C 1177 or minimum 7/16 inch (11 mm) Exterior or Exposure I plywood or OSB wood-based sheathing in compliance with US DOC PS-2
 6. Drainage mat: maximum 1/4 or 3/8 inch (6 or 10mm) thick tangled filament core with fabric facing.
 7. Screw fasteners for cement board:
 - a. Wood framing – minimum #9 Type S corrosion resistant screws with minimum 0.395 inch (10mm) wafer head diameter, and minimum 1 inch (25mm) penetration into framing
 - b. Steel framing – minimum #8 Type S-12 corrosion resistant screws with minimum 0.395 inch (10mm) wafer head diameter and minimum 3/8 inch (9.5mm) and three thread penetration into framing
 8. Cement board fastener spacing: maximum 8 inches (203mm) vertically along studs
 9. Ultimate wind load resistance capabilities:
 - a. Wood framing capable of achieving ultimate wind load resistance of +99 psf, -111 psf (+4.7 kPa, -5.31kPa): minimum 2x4 kiln dried wood studs with minimum specific gravity of 0.50 spaced 16 inches (406mm) on center maximum.
 - b. Metal framing capable of achieving +159 psf, -81 psf (+7.61kPa, -3.88kPa): minimum 18 gage (0.045 mil) or heavier, minimum 3-5/8 inch (92mm) depth and 1-5/8 inch (41.3mm) flange width, cold formed C-shaped steel stud framing spaced 16 inches (406mm) on center maximum.
 - c. Metal framing capable of achieving +166 psf, -94 psf (+7.94kPa, -4.50kPa): minimum 16 gage or heavier, minimum 6 inch (152mm) depth and 2 inch (50.8mm) flange width, cold formed C-shaped steel stud framing spaced 16 inches (406mm) on center maximum.
- B. Moisture Control
1. Prevent the accumulation of water into or behind the cement board stucco, either by condensation or leakage into the wall construction, in the design and detailing of the wall assembly:
 - a. Provide corrosion resistant flashing to protect exposed elements and to direct water to the exterior, including, above window and door heads, beneath window and door sills, at floor lines, at roof/wall intersections, decks, abutments of lower walls with higher walls, above projecting features, and at the base of the wall.
 - b. Air Leakage Prevention – prevent excess air leakage in the design and detailing of the wall assembly. Provide continuity between air and water-resistive barrier components in the wall assembly.

- c. Vapor Diffusion and Condensation – perform a dew point analysis of the wall assembly to determine the potential for accumulation of moisture in the wall assembly as a result of water vapor diffusion and condensation. Adjust wall assembly components accordingly to minimize the risk of condensation. Avoid the use of vapor retarders on the interior side of the wall in warm, humid climates.
 - d. Provide StoGuard Air and Water-Resistive Barrier and Sto DrainScreen over sheathing.
 - e. At through wall expansion joints and at joints formed with back-to-back casing beads, back joints with StoGuard Conformable Membrane. Refer to Sto Guide Details at www.stocorp.com.
 - f. Seal cement board stucco accessory butt joints with appropriate sealant. Seal all cement board stucco terminations and penetrations through the cement board stucco wall assembly with appropriate sealant, or backer rod and sealant, as dictated by joint type.
- C. Grade Condition
- 1. Do not specify cement board stucco for use below grade or on surfaces subject to continuous or intermittent water immersion or hydrostatic pressure. Provide minimum 6 inch (150mm) clearance above grade. Provide increased clearance in freeze/thaw climate zones.
- D. Sloped surfaces, Including Foam Trim and Projecting Architectural Features Attached to Cement Board.
- 1. Avoid the use of cement board stucco on build-outs or weather exposed sloped and horizontal surfaces (refer to 2 and 3 below).
 - 2. Build out trim and projecting architectural features from the cement board wall surface with code compliant EPS foam. All foam trim and projecting architectural features must have a minimum 1:2 [27°] slope along their top surface. All foam horizontal reveals must have a minimum 1:2 [27°] slope along their bottom surface. Increase slope for northern climates to prevent accumulation of ice/snow and water on surface. Where trim/feature or bottom surface of reveal projects more than 2 inches (51mm) from the face of the wall plane, protect the top surface with waterproof base coat. Limit foam thickness to a maximum of 4 inches (102mm). Periodic inspections and increased maintenance may be required to maintain surface integrity of finishes on weather exposed sloped surfaces. Limit projecting features to easily accessible areas and limit total area to facilitate maintenance and minimize maintenance burden. Refer to Sto Guide Details at www.stocorp.com
 - 3. Do not use foam on weather exposed projecting ledges, sills, or other projecting features unless supported by framing or other structural support and protected with metal coping or flashing. Refer to Sto Guide Details at www.stocorp.com
- E. Joints and Accessories
- 1. Provide back-to-back casing beads in the cement board stucco assembly where building movement is anticipated: at joints in the substrate or supporting construction, where the system is to be installed over dissimilar construction or substrates, at changes in building height, at floor lines, at columns and cantilevered areas. Back the joint with StoGuard Conformable Membrane.
 - 2. Provide one piece control joints at no greater than 25 ft (7.6m) intervals and 625 ft² (58m²) for light colors (LRV ≥ 70), and at no greater than 16 ft (4.68m) and every 256 ft² (23.5m²) for dark colors (LRV < 70 and ≥ 30). Do not exceed length to width ratio of 2-1/2:1 in expansion joint layout.
 - 3. Provide one piece control joints at through wall penetrations, for example, at corners above and below windows, above doors, and similar penetrations through the wall. Alternatively use minimum 9 inch (229 mm) wide diagonal mesh reinforcement at corners over cement board sheathing that is cut in an “L” shape around the corner of the opening.

4. Provide minimum $\frac{3}{8}$ inch (9 mm) wide joints where the system abuts windows, doors and other through wall penetrations.
 5. Provide appropriate accessories at cement board stucco terminations and joints.
 6. Avoid the use of channel reveal accessories which can interfere with proper drainage and proper stress relief.
 7. Provide appropriate sealant at cement board stucco terminations and at stucco accessory butt joints.
 8. Indicate location of joints, accessories and accessory type on architectural drawings.
- F. Fire Protection
1. Noncombustible Construction: limited to use on building less than or equal to 40-ft (12.2m) in height. Provide full width firestops at floor lines, typically 4 pcf (64kg/m³) semi-rigid mineral wool, where metal framing runs continuously past floor line. Refer to Sto Details.
 2. Combustible Construction: height limit as permitted by the applicable building code.
 3. Provide 15-minute thermal barrier, typically minimum $\frac{1}{2}$ inch thick interior gypsum wall board or exterior gypsum sheathing, to separate combustible components on the exterior from interior space.
 4. Fire-Resistance Rated Construction: where an hourly fire-resistance rating is required consult ICC ESR 2536 and UL ER22158-01 and provide analysis where needed of the final proposed wall assembly to verify rating is met.
- G. Color Limitations
1. Select colors with a lightness reflectance value (LRV) of ≥ 30 and as dictated by allowable joint spacing (1.04 E2). Refer to Sto Color Chart for LRVs.

1.5 PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS

- A. Air and Water-Resistive Barrier
1. Compliant with ICC-ES Acceptance Criteria AC212
 2. Material Air Leakage Resistance, ASTM E2178: less than 0.02 L/s·m² (0.004 cfm/ft² at 1.57 psf)
 3. Assembly Air Leakage Resistance, ASTM E2357: less than 0.2 L/s·m² (0.04 cfm/ft² at 1.57 psf)
 4. Water Vapor Permeance, Vapor Permeable, ASTM E96, Method B: greater than 10 perms [573 ng/(Pa·s·m²)]. Vapor Impermeable, ASTM E96, Method A less than 0.1 perms [5.73 ng/(Pa·s·m²)].
 5. Surface Burning, ASTM E84: Flame Spread less than 25, Smoke Developed less than 75, Class A Building Material
 6. Tensile Adhesion, ASTM C297: > 15 psi (103 kPa)
 7. VOC, calculation:
 - a. Less than 50 g/L
 - b. Compliant with US EPA 40 CFR 59 for Architectural Coating, Waterproofing/Sealer
 - c. Compliant with South Coast AQMD Rule 1113 for Building Envelope Coating
- B. Drainage Mat
1. Surface Burning, ASTM E 84: Flame Spread less than 25, Smoke Developed less than 450, Class A Building Material

- C. Direct-Applied Cement Board Stucco Finish System and Components
 - 1. Compliant with ICC-ES AC59.
 - 2. Surface Burning, ASTM E84: Flame Spread less than 25, Smoke Developed less than 450, Class A building material
 - 3. VOC: less than 50 g/L, compliant with South Coast AQMD Rule 1113 for Architectural Coatings

1.6 SUBMITTALS

- A. Manufacturer's specifications, details, installation instructions and product data
- B. Manufacturer's code compliance report for air and water-resistive barrier
- C. Manufacturer's code compliance report for cement board stucco
- D. Manufacturer's standard warranty
- E. Samples for approval as directed by architect or owner
- F. Fastener manufacturer's pull-out or withdrawal capacity testing for frame construction
- G. Prepare and submit project-specific details (when required by contract documents)

1.7 QUALITY ASSURANCE

- A. Manufacturer Requirements
 - 1. Cement board stucco and air and water-resistive barrier products manufacturer for a minimum of twenty-five (25) years.
 - 2. Cement board stucco finish products and air and water-resistive barrier products manufactured under ISO 9001 Quality System and 14001 Environmental Management System.
- B. Contractor Requirements
 - 1. Licensed, insured and engaged in application of stucco for a minimum of three (3) years.
 - 2. Knowledgeable in the proper use and handling of Sto materials.
 - 3. Employ skilled mechanics who are experienced and knowledgeable in stucco application, and familiar with the requirements of the specified work.
 - 4. Successful completion of minimum of three (3) projects of similar size and complexity to the specified project.
 - 5. Provide the proper equipment, manpower and supervision on the job site to install the system in compliance with Sto's published specifications and details and the project plans and specifications.
- C. Foam Trim Insulation Board Manufacturer Requirements
 - 1. Manufacturer of ASTM C578 compliant insulation board, listed by an approved agency. Label insulation board with information required by Sto, the approved listing agency, and the applicable building code
 - 2. Insulation board listed in a current ICC-ES evaluation report
- D. Cement Board Manufacturer Requirements
 - 1. Manufacturer of ASTM C1325 compliant cement board

2. Cement board listed in a current UL evaluation report

E. Testing

1. Construct full-scale mock-up of typical cement board stucco/window wall assembly with specified tools and materials and test air and water infiltration and structural performance in accordance with ASTM E283, E331 and E330, respectively, through independent laboratory. Mock-up shall comply with requirements of project specifications. Where mock-up is tested at job site maintain approved mock-up at site as reference standard. If tested off-site accurately record construction detailing and sequencing of approved mock-up for replication during construction.
2. Conduct air and water-resistive barrier adhesion testing in accordance with ASTM D4541.
3. Conduct air and water-resistive barrier assembly testing in accordance with ASTM E779.
4. Verify adequacy of pull-out or withdrawal capacity of fasteners used for frame construction with manufacturer in relation to negative design wind pressures.
5. Conduct wet sealant adhesion testing in accordance with sealant manufacturer's field quality control test procedure.
6. Notify design professional minimum 7 days prior to testing.

F. Inspections

1. Provide independent third party inspection where required by code or contract documents.
2. Conduct inspections in accordance with code requirements and contract documents.

1.8 DELIVERY, STORAGE AND HANDLING

- A. Deliver all materials in their original sealed containers bearing manufacturer's name and identification of product.
- B. Protect foam plastic insulation materials from prolonged UV exposure, keep away from sources of heat, sparks, flame, flammable or volatile materials. Store on a clean, flat surface, off the ground in a dry area.
- C. Store cement board materials inside and protect from damage by the elements. Protect ends, edges, and faces of cement boards from damage.
- D. Protect coatings (pail products) from freezing and temperatures in excess of 90°F (32° C). Store away from direct sunlight.
- E. Protect portland cement-based materials (bag products) from moisture and humidity. Store under cover off the ground in a cool, dry location.
- F. Protect STPE gun grade air barrier detailing products and sealant products from freezing and temperatures in excess of 90°F (32°C). Store in a cool, dry location away from direct sunlight and from sources of ignition.
- G. Handle and store all products as directed on labeling.

1.9 PROJECT/SITE CONDITIONS

Weather conditions affect application and drying time of materials. Hot or dry conditions limit working time and accelerate drying and may require adjustments in application and scheduling to achieve desired results; cool or damp conditions extend working time and retard drying (except for STPE products which cure faster with moisture) and may require added measures of protection against wind, dust, dirt, rain and freezing.

- A. Maintain ambient and surface temperatures above 40°F (4°C) during application and for 24 hours after application of air and water-resistive barrier and cement board stucco finish materials.
- B. Provide supplementary heat for installation in temperatures less than 40°F (4°C) such that material temperatures are maintained as in 1.9A. Prevent concentration of heat on wet cement board stucco finish materials and vent fumes and other products of combustion to the outside to prevent contact with materials.
- C. Prevent uneven or excessive evaporation of moisture from base coat during hot, dry or windy weather. Do not install base coat or finish coat if ambient temperatures are expected to rise above 100°F (38°C) within a 24-hour period.
- D. Provide protection of surrounding areas and adjacent surfaces from application of materials.

1.10 COORDINATION/SCHEDULING

The work in this section requires close coordination with related sections and trades. Sequence work to provide protection of construction materials from weather deterioration and from damage from trades

- A. Protect sheathing from climatic conditions to prevent weather damage.
- B. Coordinate installation of foundation waterproofing, roofing membrane, windows, doors and other wall penetrations to provide a continuous air and water-resistive barrier and continuous moisture protection. Provide protection of rough openings before installing windows, doors, and other penetrations through the wall and provide sill flashing. Coordinate installation of air and water-resistive barrier components with window and door installation to provide weather proofing of the structure and to prevent moisture infiltration and excess air infiltration.
- C. Install diverter flashings wherever water can enter the wall assembly to direct water to the exterior.
- D. Install window and door head flashing immediately after windows and doors are installed.
- E. Splice-in head flashing, floor line flashing, diverter flashing, and similar flashing with air and water-resistive barrier detail component to provide a shingle lap that directs water to the exterior.
- F. Protect the air and water-resistive barrier within the period allowed by the manufacturer. Refer to manufacturer's published information.
- G. Protect drainage mat with cement board or other protection within 30 days of installation.
- H. Commence the cement board stucco installation after completion of all floor, roof construction and other construction that imposes dead loads on the walls to prevent excessive deflection (and potential cracking) of the cement board stucco.
- I. Sequence interior work such as drywall installation prior to cement board stucco installation to prevent stud distortion (and potential cracking) of the cement board stucco.
- J. Provide site grading such that the stucco terminates above earth grade minimum 6 inches (152 mm). Provide increased clearance in freeze/thaw climate zones.
- K. Install copings and sealant immediately after installation of the cement board stucco finishes and when finish coatings are dry.

- L. Attach penetrations through cement board stucco to structural support and provide air tight and water tight seals at penetrations.

1.11 WARRANTY

- A. Provide manufacturer's standard warranty.

PART 2 PRODUCTS

2.1 MANUFACTURERS

- A. Air and Water-Resistive Barrier, Drainage Mat, Cement Board Stucco Base Coat, Primers, Finishes, Joint Sealant Accessory, Outside Corner Bead and Drip Edge Accessories
 - 1. Sto Corp., 3800 Camp Creek Parkway, Building 1400, Suite 120. Atlanta, GA 30331
- B. Cement Board
 - 1. National Gypsum Company, Inc., 2001 Rexford Road, Charlotte, NC 28211
- C. Cement Board Stucco Accessories
 - 1. Plastic Components, Inc., 9051 NW 97th Terrace, Miami, Florida 33178

2.2 AIR AND WATER-RESISTIVE BARRIER

Refer to Sto Guide Details, StoShield SA Self-Adhered Membrane Air and Water-Resistive Barriers Installation Guide, Sto RapidGuard Installation Guide, and StoGuard Conformable Membrane Installation Guide to assist in selecting the proper detail components

- A. StoGuard Detail Components for prepared vertical above grade glass mat gypsum sheathing, wood-based sheathing – plywood and OSB – cement board, concrete, and concrete masonry (CMU) substrates
 - 1. Sheathing Joint Treatment, Rough Opening (RO) Protection, Counterflashing, Penetrations, Static Joints and Seams:
 - a. Sto Gold Coat: brush, spray or roller applied air and water-resistive barrier coating used with StoGuard Fabric reinforcement and Sto RediCorners
 - b. Sto RapidGuard: single component rapid drying gun-applied STPE liquid-applied flashing and detail component
 - c. Sto Gold Fill: trowel applied detail component used with StoGuard Mesh, glass fiber self-stick reinforcing mesh
 - d. StoGuard Conformable Membrane: self-adhered membrane flashing for static and dynamic joints and seams

Choose one primary air and water-resistive barrier

- B. Air and Water-resistive Barrier Coating
 - 1. Sto Gold Coat: ready mixed vapor permeable air and water-resistive barrier coating applied
 - a. By substrate as follows:
 - Glass Mat Gypsum: apply one coat at minimum 10 mils WFT

- Plywood: apply one coat at minimum 10 mils WFT
 - Cement Board: apply one coat at minimum 10 mils WFT
 - OSB: apply one or two coats at minimum 20 mils WFT. If applied by roller, apply two coats. Touch up any bare spots and raised OSB strands.
 - CMU: apply two or three coats at minimum 20-60 mils WFT.
 - Concrete: apply one coat at minimum 10 mils WFT
- b. To a Medium-Build in one or two coats to achieve minimum 20 mils WFT (if applied by roller apply two coats to achieve minimum 20 mils WFT. For CMU substrates apply two or three coats to achieve 20-60 mils WFT).
- c. To a High-Build in two or three coats to achieve 40 mils WFT (if applied by roller apply three or more coats as needed. For CMU substrates apply multiple coats to achieve 40-60 mils WFT).
- C. Silyl Terminated Polyether (STPE) Air & Water-Resistive Barrier
1. Sto GoldSeal STPE: vapor permeable moisture cured STPE air and water-resistive barrier coating applied in one or two coats by spray or roller at minimum 15 mils WFT
- D. Self-Adhered Air and Water-Resistive Barrier
- Self-adhered air and water-resistive barriers typically do not require sheathing joint treatment*
1. StoShield SA VP: self-adhered vapor permeable membrane
 2. StoShield SA NP: self-adhered vapor impermeable membrane

2.3 ACCESSORIES FOR CEMENT BOARD STUCCO

*Accessories are supplied by others unless indicated otherwise. Refer to Sto Tech Hotline No. 0307-S, **Accessories for StoQuik Silver Cement Board Stucco Systems***

- A. Starter Track – Starter Track Drip Edge (Product No. STDE-xx) or i Drip Track (Product No. iDT-xx), rigid PVC (polyvinyl chloride) plastic tracks with weepholes as furnished by Plastic Components, Inc., for use at terminations such as base of wall, floor lines, roof lines, and similar weep termination lines.
- B. Casing Bead – Starter Trac (Product No. ST-xx), a rigid PVC (polyvinyl chloride) plastic accessory as furnished by Plastic Components, Inc., for use at terminations such as windows, doors, and similar through wall penetrations, and used back-to-back at movement joints such as dissimilar materials, through wall expansion joints, and floor line deflection joints. May also be used back-to-back in lieu of a single piece control joint.
- C. Outside Corners – Sto-Mesh Corner Bead Standard, one component PVC (polyvinyl chloride) accessory with integral reinforcing mesh for outside corner reinforcement.
- D. Drip Edge - Sto Drip Edge Profile, one component PVC (polyvinyl chloride) accessory with integral reinforcing mesh that creates a drip edge and plaster return.
- E. Control Joint – “V” Control Joint (Product No. PL 093), rigid PVC (polyvinyl chloride) plastic single piece control joint as furnished by Plastic Components, Inc., for use at intervals in the field of the wall, and at corners of penetrations such as windows, doors, and similar through wall penetrations.
- F. Joint Sealant - StoSeal® STPE low modulus joint sealant in conformance with ASTM D920: Type S, Grade NS, Use NT, A, M, Class 100/50

CAUTION: AVOID THE USE OF CHANNEL REVEAL ACCESSORIES THAT INTERFERE WITH PROPER DRAINAGE AND STRESS RELIEF.

2.4 DRAINAGE MAT

Some building code jurisdictions require a $\frac{3}{8}$ inch (10mm) drainage gap. Check local codes and select Sto DrainScreen 10 mm where required

- A. Sto DrainScreen 6mm – nominal $\frac{1}{4}$ inch (6mm) tangled filament core drainage mat with fabric facing.
- B. Sto DrainScreen 10mm – nominal $\frac{3}{8}$ inch (10mm) tangled filament core drainage mat with fabric facing.

2.5 CEMENT BOARD

Cement board is supplied by others

- A. PermaBase® Brand Cement Board – minimum $\frac{1}{2}$ inch (13mm) thick cement board in Compliance with ASTM C1325

2.6 MECHANICAL FASTENERS FOR CEMENT BOARD

Mechanical fasteners are supplied by others

- A. Corrosion resistant screw fasteners:
 - 1. Wood Framing – minimum #9 Type S wafer head fully threaded corrosion resistant screws with minimum 1 inch (25 mm) penetration into framing and minimum 0.395 inch (10mm) head diameter.
 - 2. Steel Framing – minimum #8 Type S-12 corrosion resistant wafer head fasteners with minimum $\frac{3}{8}$ inch (9.5 mm) and three thread penetration into framing and minimum 0.395 inch (10 mm) head diameter

NOTE: Pull-out or withdrawal capacity of the selected fastener must be verified with respect to anticipated wind load, desired safety factor and building code requirements. Consult applicable code compliance report for specific assemblies and fastening schedules or conduct project specific testing to verify compliance with design wind pressure requirements.

2.7 FOAM INSULATION BOARD FOR TRIM

- A. Sto EPS Insulation Board--nominal 1.0 lb/ft³ (16 kg/m³) Expanded Polystyrene (EPS) Insulation Board in compliance with ASTM C578 Type I requirements, and ASTM E2430

Minimum required thickness is 1 inch (25mm) and maximum allowable thickness is typically 4 inches (100 mm) for noncombustible type construction unless thicker dimensions are approved by the code official.

2.8 JOB MIXED INGREDIENTS

Field mixed components supplied by others

- A. Water: clean and potable.
- B. Portland cement: Type 1 in compliance with ASTM C150

2.9 CEMENT BOARD STUCCO JOINT REINFORCEMENT

- A. StoGuard Mesh with Sto base coat

2.10 CEMENT BOARD STUCCO AND FOAM TRIM BASE COAT

- A. Base Coat

Select one base coat material

1. Sto Primer/Adhesive-B – one component polymer modified portland cement base coat material
2. Sto BTS Plus – one component polymer modified portland cement high build base coat material
3. Sto BTS Xtra – one component polymer modified portland cement extra high build base coat material
4. Sto Flexyl – two component fiber reinforced acrylic based waterproof base coat material field mixed with portland cement (for use as a waterproof base coat to waterproof foundations, parapets, splash areas, trim and other projecting architectural features).

2.11 CEMENT BOARD STUCCO AND FOAM TRIM REINFORCING MESH

- A. Sto Mesh--nominal 4.5 oz./yd² (153g/m²), symmetrical, interlaced open-weave glass fiber mesh treated with alkaline resistant coating for compatibility with Sto materials (*achieves Standard Impact Classification over foam insulation board*).
- B. Sto Detail Mesh--nominal 4.2 oz./yd² (143g/m²), flexible, symmetrical, interlaced open-weave glass fiber fabric treated with alkaline resistant coating for compatibility with Sto materials (used for standard foam backwrapping and aesthetic detailing).

2.12 PRIMER

- A. StoPrime Sand—acrylic based tinted, sanded primer for base coat surfaces.

Priming is recommended to provide uniform substrate absorption and finish color, to improve adhesion and water resistance, and to retard efflorescence.

2.13 FINISH

Select one of the following finishes

- A. Stolit Lotusan Finish – integrally colored, factory blended textured wall finish with Lotus-Effect Technology and graded marble aggregate
- B. Stolit HDP Finish – integrally colored, factory blended textured hydrophobic wall finish with graded marble aggregate
- C. Sto Powerflex Silco Finish – integrally colored, factory blended, silicone enhanced elastomeric textured wall finish with graded marble aggregate
- D. Sto Powerflex Finish – integrally colored, factory blended, elastomeric textured wall finish with graded marble aggregate

- E. StoPowerwall Finish – integrally colored, factory blended, flexible acrylic textured wall finish with graded marble aggregate.
- F. Stolit Finish – integrally colored, factory blended, acrylic textured wall finish with graded marble aggregate
- G. Sto Essence DPR Finish – integrally colored, factory blended, acrylic textured wall finish with graded marble aggregate
- H. StoSignature Finishes – Stolit acrylic based textured wall finish applied with specialized techniques to achieve unique textures, impressions or effects. Refer to www.stocorp.com for StoSignature Finishes Brochure and Installation Guides.
- I. Sto Specialty Finishes – acrylic based textured wall finishes with colored aggregates that create unique aesthetic effects.
- J. StoCast Finishes – Sto pre-formed decorative and protective finish and adhesive
 - 1. StoCast Wood
 - 2. StoCast Brick

2.14 MIXING

- A. Mix all materials as directed by manufacturer in written instructions on product literature or packaging
- B. Do not add anti-freeze or other foreign ingredients unless instructed to do so in writing by the manufacturer
- C. When mixing stucco batches, only mix as much material as can readily be used

PART 3 EXECUTION

3.01 INSTALLATION

- A. Refer to manufacturers written instructions for installation of StoQuik Silver DrainScreen

3.02 PROTECTION

- A. Provide protection of installed materials from water infiltration into or behind them.
- B. Provide protection of installed materials from dust, dirt, precipitation, and freezing.
- C. Provide protection of installed primer and finish from dust, dirt, precipitation, freezing and continuous high humidity until fully dry.
- D. Provide sealant and backer material at cement board stucco terminations and at fixture penetrations through the cement board stucco to protect against air, water and insect infiltration. Provide weeps at floor lines, window and door heads, and other areas to conduct incidental water to the exterior.

3.03 CLEANING, REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE

- A. Clean and maintain the cement board stucco finish for a fresh appearance and to prevent water entry into and behind the assembly. Repair cracks, impact damage, spalls or delamination promptly.

- B. Maintain adjacent components of construction such as sealants, windows, doors, and flashing, to prevent water entry into the wall assembly.
- C. Refer to Sto reStore Repair and Maintenance Guide ([reStore Program](#)) for detailed information on restoration – cleaning, repairs, recoating, resurfacing and refinishing, or re-cladding.

APPENDIX

STOQUIK SILVER DRAINSREEN INSTALLATION

INSTALLER QUALIFICATIONS

1. Applicators pre-qualify under Quality Assurance requirements of the specification (see section 1.7B of specification).

SUBSTRATES

1. Inspect sheathing surfaces for damage and deterioration. Record any areas of moisture damage. Inspect sheathing application for compliance with applicable requirement:

- Glass Mat Faced Gypsum Sheathing in compliance with ASTM C1177—refer to manufacturer's instructions and/or ICC evaluation report
- Exterior Grade and Exposure 1 wood-based sheathing—refer to APA Engineered Wood Association E 30.

Note: sheathing attachment is often the determinant of ultimate wind load resistance. Verify attachment is sufficient to meet design wind pressure requirements. Wood-based sheathing must be gapped 1/8-inch (3mm) at edge and end joints

2. Report deviations from the requirements of project specifications or other conditions that might adversely affect the air and water-resistive barrier or cement board stucco installation to the General Contractor. Do not proceed with air and water-resistive barrier or cement board stucco installation until deviations are corrected.

SURFACE PREPARATION

1. Sheathing

- Remove surface contaminants and replace damaged sheathing.
- All sheathing must be handled and installed in compliance with applicable building code and manufacturer requirements. Installed sheathing must be clean, dry and free from damage, frost, and all bond-inhibiting materials. Abut gypsum sheathing joints. Gap wood sheathing 1/8-inch (3mm) at joints. Should gaps exceed 1/8-inch (3mm) up to 1/2-inch (13mm) wide, use Sto RapidGuard to fill joints, or apply low expanding urethane foam into joints and rasp or shave flush with sheathing surface in preparation for installation of StoGuard joint treatment.
- Space fasteners no greater than 8-inches (203mm) on center along framing members for gypsum sheathing and in accordance with code requirements for wood-based sheathing. Ensure fasteners are of sufficient length as identified in the specification for proper attachment to framing members.
- Spot surface defects in sheathing with joint treatment (Sto Gold Fill or Sto RapidGuard).
- Verify attachment and installation conforms with requirements for design wind pressures.
- Report deviations from the requirements of project specifications or other conditions that might adversely affect the air and water-resistive barrier, or cement board stucco installation to the General Contractor. Do not proceed with air and water-resistive barrier, or cement board stucco installation until deviations are corrected.

AIR AND WATER-RESISTIVE BARRIER INSTALLATION

Important Note: the air and water-resistive barrier installation described below is one component of the air barrier assembly for the building envelope and the moisture protection of the wall construction. Installation of the air and water-resistive barrier must be integrated with other air and water-resistive barrier components in the construction. This requires coordination with other trades to ensure proper sequencing of work, to achieve air barrier continuity, and to direct rain water to the exterior, not into the wall assembly. Always protect rough openings in wall construction BEFORE installing windows, doors, louvers, etc. Where water is likely to penetrate the wall assembly, such as windows, flashing must be installed to direct water to the exterior at the leak source. Refer to Sto Guide Details as needed.

1. The following instructions are applicable to:

- Exterior or Exposure I Plywood in compliance with PS-2
- OSB (Oriented Strand Board) in compliance with PS-2
- Glass Mat Faced Gypsum Sheathing in compliance with ASTM C1177

2. Transition Detailing: Detail transition areas with Sto RapidGuard (static joints and seams) or StoGuard Conformable Membrane (static and dynamic joints and seams) to achieve air barrier continuity. For illustrations of installation, refer to *StoQuik Silver Detail Booklet*, *Sto RapidGuard Installation Guide*, *StoGuard Conformable Membrane Installation Guide*, and *StoShield SA Self-Adhered Membrane Air & Water-Resistive Barrier Installation Guide* (www.stocorp.com)

3. Rough Opening Protection

Select one of the options below for frame construction; for concrete or concrete masonry rough openings with wood bucks and similar openings with complex 3-dimensional geometry, select Sto RapidGuard

- Sto Gold Fill with StoGuard Mesh: apply 9-inch (229mm) wide StoGuard Mesh at rough openings. Immediately apply Sto Gold Fill by spray or trowel over the mesh and spread smooth with a trowel to completely cover the mesh
- Sto Gold Coat with StoGuard Fabric: apply coating liberally by spray or roller to corners of openings, immediately place StoGuard RediCorners in the wet coating, and apply additional coating over the RediCorners to completely embed them. After all corners have been completed apply coating liberally to the entire rough opening, immediately place StoGuard Fabric in the wet coating, smooth any wrinkles with a brush or roller, and apply additional coating over the fabric to completely embed it. Overlap all seams minimum 2-inches (51mm). Once completed topcoat with additional coating as needed to completely seal the surface. Allow to dry and inspect for pinholes or voids. If pinholes or voids are present, seal with additional coating or Sto RapidGuard.
- Sto RapidGuard: apply a fillet bead of material with a caulking gun at interior corners inside the opening to seal jamb/sill and jamb/head seams. Then apply material in a zig-zag pattern along sill, jambs, and head to form a generous bead of material along the surface to be covered. Use a 6-inch (152mm) wide plastic drywall knife or handheld spreader to spread the material to a uniform thickness of 12-20 mils (0.3-0.5mm) before the material skins. Treat the entire rough opening surface in this manner and overlap onto the face of the sheathing 2-inches (51mm) minimum all the way around.
- StoGuard Conformable Membrane: install the membrane in conformance with manufacturer's written installation instructions (refer to *StoGuard Conformable Membrane Installation Guide*)

4. Sheathing Joint Treatment

Note: sheathing joint treatment is typically not required when working with StoShield SA (Self-Adhered) membranes. Select one of the options below.

- Sto Gold Fill with StoGuard Mesh: place 4-inch (102mm) wide mesh centered along sheathing joints and minimum 9-inch (229mm) wide mesh centered and folded at inside and outside corners. Immediately apply Sto Gold Fill by spray or trowel and spread smooth with a trowel to completely cover the mesh.
- Sto Gold Coat with StoGuard Fabric: apply coating liberally by spray or roller along sheathing joints and immediately place 4-inch (102mm) wide fabric centered over the joints into the wet coating, and 6-inch (152mm) wide fabric centered and folded at inside and outside corners into the wet coating. Smooth any wrinkles with a brush or roller and apply additional coating to completely embed the fabric. Overlap seams minimum 2-inches (51mm).
- Sto RapidGuard: apply to properly installed sheathing – joints butted for gypsum sheathing, and joints gapped for plywood and OSB sheathings (wood-based sheathing typically requires 1/8-inch [3mm] spacing at edge and end joints). Apply a thick bead of Sto RapidGuard with a caulking gun along sheathing joints, or apply in a zig-zag pattern across and down the joints. Spread to a uniform thickness of 20-30mils (0.5-0.6mm) before the material skins. Spread 1-inch (25mm) beyond the sheathing joint on each side. Follow the same procedure for inside and outside corners (refer to *Sto RapidGuard Installation Guide*).
- StoGuard Conformable Membrane: install the membrane in conformance with manufacturer's written installation instructions (refer to *StoGuard Conformable Membrane Installation Guide*).

5. Primary Air and Water-Resistive Barrier Installation

- Coating: install the specified AWRB coating uniformly by spray or roller to the required wet film thickness. Refer to individual Product Bulletins for more detailed installation instructions.
- Self-Adhered Membrane: install the self-adhered membrane in shingle lap fashion following the manufacturer's written instructions. Refer to *StoShield SA Self-Adhered Membrane Air & Water-Resistive Barrier Installation Guide* for detailed installation instructions.

6. Air and Water-Resistive Barrier Connections and Shingle Laps

- Coordinate installation of connecting air barrier components with other trades to provide a continuous airtight membrane.
- Coordinate installation of flashing and other moisture protection components with other trades to achieve complete moisture protection such that water is directed to the exterior, not into the wall assembly, and drained to the exterior at sources of leaks (windows, doors and similar penetrations through the wall assembly).
- Splice-in head flashings above windows, doors, floor lines, roof/sidewall step flashing, and similar locations with StoGuard detail component to achieve shingle lap of the air and water-resistive barrier such that water is directed to the exterior.

Note: windows and doors are typically installed immediately following installation of the air and water-resistive barrier and work should be sequenced accordingly. Consult with window manufacturer for installation requirements to maintain air barrier continuity and for head, jamb, sill flashing and perimeter sealant requirements needed to prevent leaks into the wall assembly.

IMPORTANT: do not allow air and water-resistive barrier installation to remain exposed more than allowed by the manufacturer. Refer to product literature for the specific air barrier selected. Protect with drainage mat and cement board promptly after installation.

CEMENT BOARD STUCCO INSTALLATION

Refer to Sto Guide Details as needed

After satisfactory inspection of surfaces and correction of any deviations from specification requirements commence the cement board stucco installation as described below. Ensure the installed cement board surface is straight and true within 1/4 inch in 10 feet (2mm/m), and is clean, dry and free from damage, frost, and all bond-inhibiting materials before application of coatings or accessories to cement board surface. Ensure the installed base coat or primed base coat surface is clean, dry, free from damage, frost, and all bond inhibiting materials, including dust, dirt, salts, oil, grease, or laitance, before application of primer or finish.

1. Starter track and back mount casing bead accessory installation

- Strike a level line at the base of the wall to mark where the top of the starter track terminates.
- Attach the starter track even with the line onto the structure a maximum of 16 inches (406 mm) on center with the proper fastener: Type S-12 corrosion resistant screws for steel framing with minimum $\frac{3}{8}$ inch (9mm) and three thread penetration, and galvanized or zinc coated nails for wood framing with minimum 1 inch (25 mm) penetration. Blocking installed between the studs may be necessary to secure the track flat against the wall surface. For solid sheathing attach directly into sheathing at 12 inches (305mm) on center maximum.
- Butt sections of starter track together. Miter cut outside corners and abut. Snip front flange of one inside corner piece (to allow the cement board to be seated inside of track) and abut.
- Install Starter Track at other cement board system terminations as designated on detail drawings: above windows and doors, at floor lines, above roof along dormers or gable end walls, and beneath window sills with concealed flashing.
- Install casing beads similarly at cement board stucco termination points—window and door jambs and other through wall penetrations. Install back-to-back casing beads at building expansion joints, thru-wall joints, where the cement board stucco abuts dissimilar construction or substrates, at changes in building height, at floor lines, columns, and cantilevered areas. Install full accessory pieces where possible and avoid small pieces. Where casing bead is used back-to-back as an expansion joint back the membrane with StoGuard Conformable Membrane.
- Splice-in starter track at base of wall, above windows, doors, floor lines, roof/sidewall step flashing, and similar locations with StoGuard detail component to achieve shingle lap of the air and water-resistive barrier such that water is directed to the exterior.

2. Drainage mat installation

- Place drainage mat against the wall surface and unroll horizontally with the fabric facing out. Hammer-tack or staple into place with corrosion-resistant fasteners.
- Use as few fasteners as needed to hold the mat in place, starting from the bottom of the wall at base flashing or weep screed and working up. Do not fasten through flashing.
- Shingle lap fabric at horizontal courses. Shingle lap drainage mat over weep screeds, flashing at floor lines, decks, roof lines, window heads, and other areas where flashing is required, to direct water to the exterior.
- Butt ends of rolls and vertical seams.
- Trim around windows, doors, vents, or other penetrations through the wall. Do not install behind window nail flanges.
- Lap over back leg of installed accessories.

Immediately follow installation of drainage mat with cement board stucco installation. Where cement board stucco installation will not immediately follow installation of drainage mat, use corrosion-resistant cap nails, cap staples, or cap screws every 16 inches (406mm) on center along framing for more secure attachment. Cover drainage mat with cement board within 30 days of installation.

3. Cement Board Installation:

- Install cement board horizontally or vertically. Offset joints from sheathing joints by minimum six inches (152mm). Insert bottom edge of board into the starter track, and then attach the board through the sheathing to studs/framing members with fasteners spaced 8 inches (203mm) on center maximum at the perimeter and in the field of the board, making sure that the fasteners sit flush with the surface of the cement board and do not penetrate the surface of the cement board.
- Install cement boards with vertical joints staggered and with ends and edges closely butted but not forced together and flush at the surface. Cut boards in an "L" shape around openings such as windows, doors, and similar penetrations.
- Provide for expansion joints and control joints in cement board layout (see Design Requirements, Section 1.4).

Cement board fasteners may need to be spaced closer, depending on design wind pressures. Verify fastening schedule is adequate for design wind pressures. Refer to Section 1.4 A9.

4. Face Mount Accessory Installation

- Install one piece control joints at wall penetrations, for example, above and below windows and doors. Refer to Sto Tech Hotline No. 0307-S. Install control joints in accordance with the following guidelines:
- Light colors (LRV ≥ 70) – at no greater than 25 ft (7.6m) intervals and 625 ft² (58m²)
- Dark colors (LRV < 70 and ≥ 30) – at no greater than 16 ft (4.68 m) intervals and every 256 ft² (23.5m²)
- Do not exceed length to width ratio of 2-1/2:1 in expansion joint layout.
- Inside Corners: install corner bead accessory at inside corners adhesively or mechanically. Refer to Sto Tech Hotline No. 0307-S.
- Outside Corners: install corner bead accessory adhesively by completely embedding the accessory in the base coat material. Refer to Sto Tech Hotline No. 0307-S
- Drip Edge: install drip edge accessory by completely embedding the accessory in the base coat material. Refer to Sto Tech Hotline No. 0307-S, *Accessories for StoQuik Silver Cement Board Stucco Systems*.

Where drainage is intended at a return, the drip edge accessory may not be applicable, depending on design details. Refer to Sto Guide Details.

5. Cement Board Joint Reinforcement, Accessory Overlaps, and Corners of Wall Penetrations

- Install StoGuard Mesh centered over cement board joints. After placing mesh over joints skim coat the surface with base coat to completely cover the mesh.
- Install StoGuard Mesh over perforated accessory flanges up to the “stop bead” on the accessory – starter tracks, casing beads, corner beads, and control joints. After placing mesh over flanges skim coat the surface up to the “stop bead” on the accessory with base coat to completely cover the mesh.
- At corners of wall penetrations where no control joint is used embed 9 x 12 inch (230 x 305mm) StoGuard mesh diagonally in base coat.

As an alternative to StoGuard Mesh, Sto Detail Mesh or strips of Sto Mesh may be used by embedding the mesh in the base coat at the locations referenced above.

6. Foam Trim and Build-Outs

All foam trim and projecting architectural features must have a minimum 1:2 (27°) slope along their top surface. All horizontal reveals must have a minimum 1:2 (27°) slope along their bottom surface. Increase slope for northern climates to prevent accumulation of ice/snow and water on surface. Where trim/feature or bottom surface of reveal projects more than 2 inches (51mm) from the face of the wall plane, protect the weather exposed sloped surface with waterproof base coat. Avoid the use of trim and features that exceed the maximum allowable thickness of foam permitted by code [typically 4 inches (100mm) unless approved by the code official]. Periodic inspections and increased maintenance may be required to maintain surface integrity of finish on sloped weather exposed surfaces. Limit projecting features to easily accessible areas and limit total area to facilitate maintenance and minimize maintenance burden. Refer to Sto details. Do not use foam trim on weather exposed projecting ledges, sills, or other projecting features unless supported by framing or other structural support and protected with metal coping or flashing. Refer to Sto details.

- Where foam build-outs terminate at a dissimilar material such as a window, door or other non-cement board stucco surfaces, backwrap the foam build-out by installing detail mesh onto the terminating edge of the cement board. Embed the mesh in the base coat. Allow the mesh to dangle until the backwrapping procedure is completed.
- Install foam build-outs directly over cement board with foam trim adhesive. Apply adhesive with the appropriate size notched trowel to the back of the insulation board and immediately place build-out in the proper location on the wall. Press firmly into place and trim or tool excess adhesive from ends and edges of foam trim for a smooth void-free connection to the cement board substrate.
- After the adhesive has cured sufficiently to hold the build-out firmly in place, rasp the entire foam surface smooth.
- Complete the backwrapping procedure by applying the foam trim base coat to the exposed edges of the foam build-out and minimum 2-1/2 inches (64mm) onto the face. Pull the backwrap mesh around the foam build-out and fully embed it into the base coat. Use a corner trowel for neat straight corners.
- Apply the base coat to the foam build-out and approximately 3 inches (76mm) onto the adjacent cement board surfaces to an approximate thickness of 1/8 inch (3mm). Immediately embed the reinforcing mesh in the wet base coat. Trowel from the center to

the edges of the mesh to avoid wrinkles and remove excess base coat. Overlap mesh seams minimum 2-1/2 inches (64mm). Overlap mesh onto adjacent cement board wall surfaces minimum 2-1/2 inches (64mm) at terminations of the foam build-out and feather onto the cement board wall surface.

Do not install foam build-outs over control or expansion joints in the cement board stucco wall assembly. Terminate foam build-outs and backwrap in accordance with instructions above.

7. Reinforced Base Coat Installation

- Apply base coat over the cement board, including any areas of unreinforced foam trim/build-outs, with a stainless steel trowel to a uniform thickness of approximately 1/8 inch (3mm).
- Work horizontally or vertically in strips of 40 inches (1016mm), and immediately embed the mesh into the wet base coat by troweling from the center to the edge of the mesh. Overlap mesh not less than 2-1/2 inches (64mm) at mesh seams and fully overlap mesh at accessories to the accessory "stop bead."
- Fully overlap backwrap reinforcing mesh along foam trim/build-outs if these surfaces have not yet been reinforced with base coat/mesh. Feather seams and edges.
- Double wrap all inside and outside corners with minimum 8 inch (203mm) overlap in each direction where mesh is used in lieu of a corner bead accessory.
- Avoid wrinkles in the mesh. The mesh must be fully embedded so that no mesh color shows through the base coat when it is dry. Re-skim with additional base coat if mesh color is visible or if necessary to correct planar irregularities in the wall surface.
- Allow base coat to thoroughly dry before applying primer or finish.
- Sloped Surfaces: for foam trim, reveals, aesthetic bands, cornice profiles, sills or other architectural features that project beyond the vertical wall plane more than 2 inches (51mm) apply waterproof base coat with a stainless steel trowel to the weather exposed sloped surface and minimum four inches (100mm) above and below it. Embed standard mesh or detail mesh in the waterproof base coat and overlap mesh seams a minimum of 2-1/2 inches (65mm). Allow base coat to thoroughly dry before applying primer or finish.

8. Primer Installation

Primer is an optional component except for Sto specialty finishes that require priming

- Apply primer evenly by brush or roller to the dry base coat surface.

9. Finish Installation

- Textured Finish
 - Apply finish to base coat or primed base coat and foam build-outs. Apply finish by spraying or troweling with a stainless steel trowel, depending on the finish specified. Follow these general rules for application of finish:
 - Avoid application in direct sunlight.
 - Apply finish in a continuous application and work a wet edge towards the unfinished wall area. Work to an architectural break in the wall before stopping to avoid cold joints.
 - Weather conditions affect application and drying time. Hot or dry conditions limit working time and accelerate drying. Adjustments in the scheduling of work may be required to achieve desired results; cool or damp conditions extend working time and retard drying and may require added measures of protection against wind, dust, dirt, rain and freezing. Adjust work schedule and provide protection.
 - Float "R" (rilled or swirl texture) finishes with a plastic float to achieve their rilled texture
 - Do not install separate batches of finish side-by-side.
 - Do not apply finish into or over sealant joints. Apply finish to outside face of wall only.
 - Do not apply finish over irregular or unprepared surfaces or surfaces not in compliance with the requirements of the project specifications.
 - Do not install finish over high pH (≥ 10) surfaces or surfaces that have not been fully cured.
- Sto Signature or Specialty Finish Installation

- Refer to applicable Installation Guide and/or Product Bulletin for selected finish.
- StoCast Finish Installation
 - Refer to applicable Application Guide and/or Product Bulletin for selected finish.
- Provide protection of installed materials from dust, dirt, precipitation, and freezing.
- Provide protection of installed primer and finish from dust, dirt, precipitation, freezing and continuous high humidity until fully dry.
- Provide sealant and backer material at cement board stucco terminations and at fixture penetrations through the cement board stucco to protect against air, water and insect infiltration. Provide weeps at floor lines, window and door heads, and other areas to conduct water to the exterior.

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