**SPECTRUM PRIMER / TINTABLE PRIMER**

**Description:** Spectrum Primer is a 100% water-based, acrylic, semi-transparent / bright white primer specifically designed for use on stucco and other cementitious substrates. Spectrum Primer will enhance the appearance and uniformity of the applied finish. It will also reduce the chance of efflorescence, which may result from the cement content of various bases.

**Uses:** Spectrum Primer may be used in both interior and exterior applications. It may also be applied over sheetrock, wood-based sheathing, metal or any cementitious surface such as stucco, block, poured concrete and masonry surfaces. Application on cured stucco will provide a more uniform surface and color background, while still allowing sufficient suction for good trowel application of Spectrum textured finishes.

**Coverage:** Expect about 1500 - 1800 sq ft for Spectrum Primer and 1500 sq. feet for tintable primer of wall area per pail. Coverage also depends on surface texture, porosity and application process.

**Dry Time:** Actual dry time will depend on surface temperatures, humidity, and porosity of material being primed. Spectrum Primer will dry to the touch in 30 minutes and will be sufficiently dry enough for application of finish coating in 2-4 hours.

**Job Conditions:** Air and substrate surface temperature must be 40°F or higher and remain so for a minimum of 24 hours.

**Surface Preparation:** Clean area and remove all dust, grease, oil, paint, dirt, efflorescence and any unsound concrete. Spectrum tintable primer must be applied over all cementations products once they have been allowed time to cure. Primer must be applied with a spray application and then back rolled with a paint roller. With a pH pencil, check the surface pH levels 4-6 hours after the primer has dried. Dry time will depend on surface temperatures, humidity and porosity of material to be coated. Randomly check the entire surface to ensure pH levels are below 10.

**Light reflectivity:** Spectrum Coatings use high quality pigments to tint the finish coatings. Ultra-violet and sunshine exposure can and will cause fading issues over time. To help minimize fading, light colors should be selected. Light reflectance values are rated 100% white - 0% black. The higher the lightness value, the less fading occurs. Dark colors (light reflectivity less than 20) will fade more rapidly than light colors. Spectrum Acrylic coatings have more protection against ultra-violet, sunshine and weather than elastomeric coatings.

**Mixing:** Stir or mix to a uniform consistency using a low speed mixer. Avoid introducing air into the coating. Do not over mix. Do not add accelerators or retarders. In multiple pail applications, mix the contents of each pail into a partially used pail to ensure color consistency and smooth color transition from pail to pail.

**Application:** Apply with standard airless spray equipment, roller or brush. Apply in an even, continuous coat maintaining a wet edge.

**Clean Up:** Clean tools with water while Spectrum Primer is still wet.

**Storage & Shelf Life:** Spectrum Primer must be stored at temperatures 40°F and above and out of direct sunlight in tightly sealed containers.

**Weight & Packaging:** 35 lbs per 5 gallon pail, 36 pails to a pallet for both Spectrum Primer and Tintable Primer.
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SYSTEM (EIFS) OR AS PART OF ANY EXTERIOR INSULATION FINISH APPLICATION
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and separately and have not been tested, designed, formulated, manufactured or certified by any entity to work
together successfully in Exterior Insulation Finish Systems or as a part of any exterior insulation application
represented to be similar group component based system.

**Warranty:** All Spectrum stucco coatings come with a limited 5 year warranty.

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