

BEST PRACTICE FOR ACRYLIC & ELASTOMERIC FINISHES TO PREVENT COLOR PROBLEMS

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Acrylic and Elastomeric finishes are being used more and more on EIFS and Stucco walls. To ensure the best quality and long lasting look of the finish and to minimize color problems during installation, the following best practices should be considered.

1. Request a sample of the color and texture to ensure the desired look.
2. Create a mock-up of the actual products. Apply them as close as possible to the conditions that the project will have.
3. Check the tinted pails of material to ensure they were tinted to the color requested.
4. Parex USA, Inc. finishes have naturally occurring materials that are not completely controlled. These raw materials may have slight color variations that might change the appearance of the finish. Parex USA, Inc. recommends that an entire project be ordered in a single order.
5. In areas of high traffic and possible damage, it is recommended to seal the finish to give it a more durable surface and easier ability to clean, preventing marring and other damage. Sealers will also help protect the finish from graffiti, giving a sacrificial surface to remove the graffiti.
6. Dark colors have more of a tendency to fade based on the colorants used to make up the color. It is recommended to use ColorFast Colorants to have a fade resistant color. Sealers help protect the finish from UV light that causes the fading. Use of these sealers will reduce the tendency for fade.

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