

## SPECIFICATION- EPS RENDEX PRECOAT

Application of Chase products Render for coating the accredited Rendex® pre-coated EPS (Expanded Polystyrene) cladding system.

### **Warranty**

7 or 10 years from time of application. See notes.

When applied in accordance with the above specification, Chase will provide a 7 or 10 year materials warranty against peeling and delamination. This warranty does not cover workmanship or product failure caused as a result of hydrostatic pressure, entrapped moisture or structural/substrate/joint movement.

See warranty for details

### **Substrate Preparation General**

Ensure all capping and weatherproofing has been installed to ensure moisture cannot attack the finished coating from within the wall system and ensure all down pipes are reconnected after render/coating application. Substrate/base boards/panels should be installed in strict accordance with substrate manufacturer's technical documentation. Acrylic paints, primers and textured finishes not to be applied to any substrate with a moisture content of greater than 10% wood moisture equivalent (WME), or with an alkalinity reading (pH) of greater than 10. Ensure sufficient curing period for cement-based surfaces has been reached.

All surfaces must be clean and free from any impurities which may adversely affect the bond strength of primers, renders and applied finishes.

All horizontal surfaces such as, fence caps and windowsills must be installed with a minimum 10 degree fall to facilitate drainage of water and eliminate ponding.

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### **Control Joints**

Control/movement joints must be positioned and detailed as per substrate manufacturer's recommendation.

Control/movement joints must not be bridged by the base coat or finish coat system.

Unless otherwise specified by substrate manufacturer or consulting engineer, Chase requires the placement of control/movement joints at 5 metre (maximum) centres and at stress points such as in line with openings (window / doors), at all horizontal multi-levels, and at all interfaces of non-identical building construction materials

### **LRV (Light Reflectance Value)**

Dark colours must be avoided to reduce risk of thermal cracking in the coating system caused by severe heat build-up.

Selected colour must have an LRV (Light Reflectance Value) greater than 45%. Consult Chase to seek confirmation of colour suitability.

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## **Trims & Angles**

For install of all external metal angles, trims and expansion trims.

Refer to product data sheet prior to use. Trowel Chase EPS onto panel and embed aluminium/fibreglass combination angles into wet material. Skim over ensuring mesh is no longer visible. All trims must be embedded and meshed into the wall by minimum of 100 mm. Allow to dry thoroughly prior to application of base render.

## **Basecoat - Fibre Reinforced**

Refer to product data sheet prior to application.

Clean surface thoroughly, ensuring all contaminants are removed from the surface prior to rendering.

Mix Chase EPS powder with approximately 3 - 4 litres of potable water or as directed in relevant product data sheet.

Apply Chase EPS to the panel at a thickness of approximately 2 - 3 mm, embedding 200 mm (ARFG) alkali resistant fibreglass reinforcing mesh into the wet material across all panel joints. Apply diagonal bandages (200 mm x 400 mm) across corners of all protrusions including door and window frames.

Some contractors prefer to use an angled 6 mm notched trowel to better gauge the application thickness.

Ensure mesh is embedded nearer the face of the render and not the substrate surface itself. Do not press the mesh hard against the substrate surface.

Once embedded, trowel over the mesh, ensuring it is fully embedded. The use of self-adhesive reinforcing mesh is not acceptable.

Try to keep taped joints as flush with the surface as possible to reduce the risk of ridges along the joints in the finished coating.

## **Basecoat**

Apply a second coat of Chase EPS and float to a suitable finish. Refer to Manufacturer's technical manual for actual specified render thickness. Second render coat should only be a skim coat up to 3 mm in thickness. All build up, if required, should be completed in the initial render coat. In fibreglass mesh reinforced systems, an additional mesh layer is required in second coat builds exceeding 3 mm. This will ensure that the mesh reinforcement is positioned near the surface of the render system.

Control and movement joints must be placed as per substrate manufacturer's technical manual and must not be bridged by the render or texture coating system.

Allow rendered surface to cure for a minimum of 4 days prior to priming or texture coating.

## **Priming**

Apply with brush, roller or suitable spray equipment prior to application of successive product. Allow primer to dry to a non-tack finish prior to over-coating.

Do not thin this product prior to application.

## **Textured Finish**

Refer to product data sheet prior to application.

Prior to selection of colour, check this document thoroughly for mention of LRV restrictions (i.e. application of dark colours).

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Apply selected trowel-on or roll-on textured finish in selected colour as per product specific product data sheet. Allow to dry for a minimum 24 hours prior to painting.

Hard dry may take longer than 24 hours under extremely damp, moist or humid conditions.

## **Membrane**

Refer to product data sheet prior to application.

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With roller or suitable spray equipment, apply two coats of Chase Satin/Satin Flex acrylic membrane in selected colour.

Cutting-in prior to coating application may result in “picture framing”. Always cut in during main application, maintaining a “wet-edge” at all times.

Two (2) coats required. 7 year warranty applicable for Satin with 10 year warranty applicable for Satin Flex.

## **Disclaimer**

Chase, its staff and distributors will not accept responsibility for any failure caused as a result of factors beyond our control including but not limited to onsite handling, preparation or application of this product.

Application of this product should only be performed by qualified trades people trained in the use of this type of product. Information supplied in this publication is based on our testing and experience and is given in good faith.

Where used outside of the scope detailed above, suitability of this product should be independently determined prior to use.

Chase will not warrant job defects caused as a result of but not limited to, structural/substrate movement or entrapped moisture. Building movement and structural dynamics is beyond the scope and control of Chase. Accordingly, stresses and joint/substrate movement cannot be contained by the application of the decorative finished detailed in the above specification.

In some circumstances, surface undulations, joints and panel deformation may be visible under glancing light conditions. This will result in the sun casting visible shadows over the joints in the wall. These imperfections may be extremely difficult to detect during application or at all other times. Glancing light occurs at certain times of the day when the sun's rays are nearly parallel to the surface. This will cause the casting of long and exaggerated shadows across the wall surface, most evident across taped or reinforced joints. As hand applied finishes are always susceptible to the minor undulations which cause these effects, glancing light issues are outside the control and/or scope of this specification.

Chase shall not be liable for surface staining, degradation or loss of adhesion resulting from contact with moisture from behind the face of the finished coating. Ensure cappings and downpipes are installed/replaced immediately after the application of the render/coating.

Colour change is a natural part of the weathering of applied finishes and is excluded from warranty terms.

Sufficient quantity of texture coating or paint/membrane required to complete a project must be purchased in a single order to minimise the risk of colour and or texture inconsistency. Always cross-batch drums on site prior to application to optimise colour/texture uniformity