



## KPS11 SURFACE PREPARATION EXTERIOR GUIDELINES

### CEMENTITIOUS PANEL / SIDING - NEW <sup>(1)</sup>

#### To Be Painted

- ⊕ If mildew is present or suspected treat with a 3:1 water and household bleach solution, leaving it on for 20 minutes and adding more as it dries. Wear eye and skin protection. Rinse thoroughly and let dry.
- ⊕ Remove any dirt and contaminants by high pressure water blast. Water pressure should not exceed 2,500 psi to help prevent damage to the wood surface.
- ⊕ Fill any gouges with an exterior, non-shrinking patching compound; let dry and sand flush.
- ⊕ Fill gaps (1/8" to 1/4") with quality acrylic or siliconized acrylic caulk, and immediately smooth it flush. Allow to dry over night and make a second application if needed. Do not sand caulk applications.
- ⊕ Gaps larger than 1/4" should be prefilled with foam backer rod prior to application of a quality acrylic or siliconized acrylic caulk.

### CEMENTITIOUS PANEL / SIDING - PREVIOUSLY PAINTED

#### To Be Painted

(\*NOTE: If lead is suspected in the original paint, do not attempt to remove paint or scrape, sand, use heat gun, etc., which might release lead into the environment, rather contact a contractor qualified for lead paint assessment and abatement.)

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- ⊕ Remove any dirt and contaminants by high pressure water blast. Water pressure should not exceed 2,500 psi to help prevent damage to the wood surface.
- ⊕ Dull any glossy areas with fine (220) grit sandpaper. Wear eye protection, dust mask and work gloves.
- ⊕ Fill any gouges with an exterior, non-shrinking patching compound; let dry and sand flush.
- ⊕ Fill gaps (1/8" to 1/4") with a quality acrylic or siliconized acrylic caulk, and immediately smooth it flush. Allow to dry over night and make a second application if needed. Do not sand caulk applications.
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(1) New siding and panels supplied from the manufacturer pre-primed should be considered un-primed if exposure to the elements exceeds 90 days. Factory applied primers are commonly applied at very thin dry film thickness and are intended to protect the surface for a minimal time prior to installation.

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