



KPS14 SURFACE PREPARATION EXTERIOR GUIDELINES

GYPSUM BOARD (Drywall, Sheetrock) - NEW

To Be Painted

- ⊕ If mildew is present or suspected the best option is to replace the gypsum board.
- ⊕ Remove any dirt by stiff broom or compressed air. Wear eye protection, dust mask and work gloves.
- ⊕ Following application of tape joint compound sand joints to achieve the smoothness required using either drywall sanding screens and/or sand paper.
- ⊕ Fill any gouges with an exterior, non-shirinking patching compound; let dry and sand flush.
- ⊕ Fill gaps (1/8" to 1/4") with non-shrink spackle and immediately smooth it flush. Allow to dry over night and make a second application if needed.
- ⊕ Gaps larger than 1/4" should be cut out and patched with scrap gypsum board followed by the required taping and joint compound.

GYPSUM BOARD (Drywall, Sheetrock) - PREVIOUSLY PAINTED

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(*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.)

- ⊕ 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 by scrubbing with detergent and water. Rinse thoroughly and let dry.
- ⊕ Dull any glossy areas with medium (120) grit sandpaper. Wear eye protection, dust mask and work gloves.
- ⊕ 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 cut out and patched with scrap gypsum board followed by an exterior, non-shirinking patching compound; let dry and sand flush.

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