
How to paint

Cembrit Construction

Usage

Cembrit Construction boards are available as standard untreated building boards.

If you wish to apply a coloured finish coating, it is important to prime both front and rear side before applying the finish coating. Always follow the paint manufacturer's recommendation for surface preparation and paint application.

Use only top quality, exterior type, acrylic latex paints. Confirm the compatibility of your paint with fibre cement. Cembrit recommends a 100% acrylic latex paint system for fibre cement, using only the highest-grade paints.

Surface Preparation

- Each board must be taken off the pallet and allowed to dry out separately for at least 1 week if stored inside, or 2 weeks outside in a dry period*.
- Repairing damaged boards: Pre-painted surfaces must always be treated mechanically, for example by sanding them in order to create a sufficient surface profile. It is recommended to paint the entire board. Remove all loose cutting dust, dirt, grease, and all other surface contamination with a suitable cleaning agent. (E.g. 4% acidic acid) Paint only clean, dry, sound surfaces.

**An untreated Construction board can over time develop aesthetic aberrations like flames and deposits. The same problem may occur if the boards are painted on both sides before being completely dried out.*

Application

Follow the paint manufacturer's instructions. Stir or mix paint thoroughly before applying.

It is important to prime the rear side to keep the boards from bending over time due to carbonatization process.

- Apply with a high-quality brush, roller or sprayer.
- Apply when the air and surface temperatures are 10°C or above and the surface is at least 3°C above the dew point.
- Air and surface temperatures must remain above 10°C for the next 24 hours.
- Avoid painting in direct sunlight and late in the day when dew or condensation is likely to form or when rain is expected.
- Seal all edges completely. Take care to paint entire boards before stopping, as drying lines will show.

NB! Never apply oil-based paints or primers to fibre cement

The paint layer must allow water vapour and carbon dioxide to disperse freely.

Cembrit is not responsible for neither paint nor the paintjob and the warranty does not apply to the paintjob itself. It is up to the person performing the painting to ensure that the paint matches fibre cement.