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Marco[®] Spark-Perf[®]

Drywall Joint Tape

Product Data and Submittal

Product Description

Marco[®] Spark-Perf[®] Drywall Joint Tape is a paper tape designed for use with joint compound to reinforce gypsum board joints and corners prior to painting, texturing or wallpapering.

Features and Benefits

- Tape is manufactured from a special fibred paper with added tensile strength to help prevent tearing, wrinkling or stretching
- Joint tape is available in three styles: No Spark (no perforations), Spark-Perf or Slot perforations, which helps to prevent blistering
- Tape is roughened on both sides for superior bonding and holding power
- Tape has precision-matched centre crease for easy and accurate corner applications
- Designed for use with all quality joint and taping compounds available on the market today

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Material: Fibered Paper Colour: White Packaging: See chart on back. Storage: Tape should always be stored in closed cartons at normal room temperatures in an endosed dry area.

Environmental Limitations: When applying drywall joint tape, follow the printed recommendations of the compound manufacturer. Apply tape only within their recommended minimum and maximum temperature range. Adequate ventiliation is required to avoid any excess moisture.

Technical References: For additional information on the application and finishing of Finishing Products please consult:

- ASTM C 475: Standard specification for Joint Compound and Joint Tape for Finishing Gypsum Board.
- ASTM C 840: Standard Specification for Application and Finishing of Gypsum Board.
- GA-214: Gypsum Association publication "Levels of Gypsum Board Finish."
- GA-216: Gypsum Association publication "Recommended Specifications for the Application and Finishing of Gypsum Board."

Working with the Product

Application

Designed to be used by both hand and automatic tool applications.

Install gypsum board by following the published installation Guide. Follow the printed instructions on the joint compound container for mixing and use of compound prior to and during the tape application.

For hand taping, apply a first coat of joint compound over the joint with a four-inch knife. Press the joint tape firmly into the compound by pressing the knife over the tape. Squeeze out excess compound, making sure that there is enough joint compound under the tape to ensure a good bond. Allow each coat to dry thoroughly before applying the next coat. If the tape does lift along the edges after drying, simply cut out the affected area in the shape of a cance before applying the next coat. If the tape lifts in the centre, tear out the affected area and re-tape. Apply a second and third coat, ensuring that all joints and fasteners are completely concealed by feathering each subsequent coat beyond the last. Sand between coats where necessary and finish until a smooth surface is achieved.

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