

# PermaLath®

## Product Bulletin

**Description** Open weave, three-dimensional, self-furred, nominal 1/8" thick glass fiber reinforcing lath designed for use with StuccoBase by BASF Construction Chemicals, LLC - Wall Systems (herein after referred to as "BASF Wall Systems") or with other cementitious exterior wall coatings tested in accordance with ICC-ES AC-11 at a maximum thickness of 3/8" to 1/2". Listed in ICC ES ESR-1511. U.S. Patent 7,625,827.

**Uses** A component of a 3/8"–1/2" thick exterior cementitious exterior wall coating application that provides keying and continuous reinforcement for stucco used on vertical wall applications with solid backing. Not for use on soffits or open framing.

**Technical Support** Consult the BASF Wall Systems Technical Services Department for specific recommendations concerning all other applications. Consult the PermaLath website, [www.permalath.basf.com](http://www.permalath.basf.com) for additional information and for updated literature.

### Technical Data

Weave	Leno
Weight	147 g/m (4.34 oz/yard) ±5%
Min. Tensile Strength	
Warp	35.4 kg/cm (198 lb/inch)
Weft	38.2 kg/cm (214 lb/inch)
Color	Gray

**Packaging** 39" x 150 lineal feet roll in poly bag, 7.3 kg (16 lbs.) per roll.

### Features & Benefits

Features	Benefits
Non metallic	Will not rust
Pliable, with no sharp edges	Easier and safer to handle and cut
Non-directional	Can be applied vertically or horizontally
Wide rolls	Fewer overlaps required to give better coverage
Three-dimensional profile	Self-furring, excellent mechanical key using traditional fastening procedures
Alkali resistant	Long-term durability and performance
Packaged in light-weight rolls	Application time/labor savings

## Application

General: Apply PermaLath in accordance with Specifications and the following:

- A.** Acceptable substrates include cement board (ASTM C1325 Type A Exterior), gypsum sheathing (ASTM C79 or C1177), exposure 1 or better exterior grade plywood, exposure 1 OSB, poured concrete or unit masonry. Apply/install substrate per the manufacturer's instructions and applicable building codes. Not for use over open framing.
- B.** Secondary moisture protection barrier (Not required on unit masonry/non-insulated concrete substrates surfaces to receive the cementitious exterior wall coating).
  - 1.** Acceptable secondary moisture protection barriers include polymeric weather resistive barriers such as Tyvek® Stuccowrap® and acceptable equals that comply with and are recognized by local building codes. Grade D and other asphalt saturated building papers must not be used with systems incorporating PermaLath. Trowel/roller-applied weather barriers can be used provided a subsequent layer of a polymeric weather resistive barrier such as Tyvek Stuccowrap or equal is applied over the trowel/roller applied weather barrier.
  - 2.** Install the secondary moisture protection barrier over the substrate according to manufacturer's specifications and applicable building code requirements.
  - 3.** The secondary moisture protection barrier shall be free of any damage such as holes or breaks, and must be applied to all surfaces to receive the cementitious exterior wall coating.
  - 4.** Wrap the secondary moisture protection barrier into rough openings (doors, windows, etc.) to increase the level of protection to the building frame and interior.
  - 5.** Coordinate work with other trades to assure proper sequencing, detailing and installation of materials.
- C.** Trim
  - 1.** Install trim accessories per drawings and specification.
- D.** PermaLath
  - 1.** Apply PermaLath over substrate with minimum 3" overlap at vertical and horizontal edges and overlap on flange of trim accessories. PermaLath can be applied horizontally or vertically and should be applied such that it is flat and free of ripples, wrinkles, etc.
  - 2.** Fasteners: ULP-302 (1 3/4") or Lath Plate (1 1/4") Mechanical Fastening Systems by Wind-lock Corp.
    - a.** Masonry: masonry type [M] expansion fastener with ULP 302 diameter washer; or lath plate 25 mm (1") minimum penetration into masonry. Fastener spacing 6" o.c. vertically and 16" o.c. horizontally.
    - b.** Light Gauge Steel Framing/Furring (20 Gauge): light metal type [LM] bugle head screws with ULP 302 (1 3/4") diameter washer or lath plate 16 mm (5/8") minimum penetration into framing 6" o.c. vertically and 16" o.c. horizontally.
    - c.** Heavy Gauge Steel Framing (18 to 12 Gauge maximum): metal type [S] bugle head screws with ULP 302 (1 3/4") diameter washer or lath plate; 16 mm (5/8") minimum penetration to framing 6" o.c. vertically and 16" o.c. horizontally.
    - d.** Wood framing: wood type [W] bugle head screws with ULP 302 (1 3/4") diameter washer or Lath Plate; 16 mm (5/8") minimum penetration into framing or minimum 16 gauge wire staples with minimum 3/4" crown and minimum 3/4" penetration into framing, 6" o.c. vertically and 16" o.c. horizontally.

**Note:** Supplemental fasteners, into the framing or sheathing, can be used to secure the PermaLath prior to application of cementitious exterior wall coating. Fastening systems/tools for staples are available through Senco ([www.senco.com](http://www.senco.com)) and other manufacturers.
  - 3.** Apply cementitious exterior wall coating within 60 days of PermaLath application.
- E.** Cementitious exterior wall coating
  - 1.** Install per Specifications and Details. Maximum cementitious exterior wall coating thickness is 1/2".
 

**Note:** Recommended method of cementitious exterior wall coating application is double back or scratch and brown. Use of tighter (less water) cementitious exterior wall coating mix in initial double back or scratch coat can ease cementitious exterior wall coating application.

**Shipping,  
Handling &**

- A.** Protect PermaLath during transportation and installation to avoid physical damage.
- B.** Store PermaLath in an upright position in a cool, dry place protected from exposure to moisture. Protect from extreme heat and direct sunlight.

**Limitations**

- A.** Polymeric weather resistive barrier such as Tyvek Stuccowrap required.
- B.** Not for use on soffits or open framing.
- C.** Maximum cementitious exterior wall coating thickness of 1/2".

**Warranty**

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**Manufacturer**

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