

## **AMERICAN GYPSUM COMPANY**

### FAQ's for M-Bloc Wallboard with Mold & Moisture Resistance

#### How do I finish M-Bloc wallboard?

☐ For an interior installation, regular ready mix joint compound (box or bucket) and paper tape would be the correct materials to use. And as with any wallboard panel, is it recommended that a drywall primer be applied before texture or paint is applied.

#### Can M-Bloc wallboard be used for exterior ceilings?

☐ Yes. With its exceptional mold, moisture and sag resistance - it is an ideal wallboard panel for exterior applications like a soffit, ceiling in a carport, etc. To finish, use a fast setting joint compound for taping and floating out the joints, covering fasteners and texturing.

#### How do I paint M-Bloc wallboard?

- ☐ Interiors for best painting results all surfaces should be clean and dust-free then primed and sealed with a good quality drywall primer before texturing or final paint decoration.
- ☐ Exteriors prime with an exterior primer and finish with a high-quality exterior paint.

#### What makes M-Bloc wallboard mold-resistant?

☐ The paper on both sides of M-Bloc wallboard panels has been treated for both mold and moisture resistance, ensuring that they are protected by the safest and best technology available to prevent mold, mildew and moisture.

#### Is M-Bloc wallboard a safe product to have in my home or business?

☐ The family of M-Bloc wallboard panels have achieved UL's GREENGUARD GOLD Certification, scientifically proving that they meet the world's most rigorous third-party chemical emissions standards to reduce indoor air pollution while aiding in the creation of a healthier indoor environment.

#### Can I install M-Bloc wallboard as a tile backer in tubs or showers?

☐ M-Bloc wallboard is not to be used in areas with direct exposure to water or continuous high humidity, such as tiled tub and shower areas, saunas, steam rooms, gang showers or indoor swimming pools. While M-Bloc is not approved as a tile backer for tubs and showers, it is the ideal drywall panel for adhesively applied tile throughout the rest of your bathroom, kitchen areas, washrooms, etc.

#### Can M-Bloc wallboard be installed on a ceiling?

Yes, just like regular wallboard. The ceiling framing is to be spaced no more than 16" o/c for 1/2" thick M-Bloc and 24" o/c for 5/8" thick M-Bloc wallboard.

# Are 5/8" M-Bloc Type X, 5/8" M-Bloc Type C and 1" M-Bloc Shaft Liner panels approved for use in fire and sound rated assemblies?

Yes, all of these panels are UL classified with "UL Type" designations AGX-1 (5/8" M-Bloc Type X), AG-C (5/8" M-Bloc Type C) and AG-S (1" M-Bloc Shaft Liner), and may be used in any fire rated assembly where American Gypsum's 5/8" FireBloc Type X, 5/8" FireBloc Type C or our 1" M-Glass Shaft Liner panels are approved or authorized. And the entire family of M-Bloc panels are approved to be used on any sound rated assembly as long as the thickness and type are the same (e.g. – Type X, Type C, 1" shaft liner).

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