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For joint reinforcement of Durock® Brand Cement Board, Fiberock® Brand Aqua-Tough™ Underlayment and Fiberock® Brand Aqua-Tough™ Tile Backerboard

- Alkali-resistant glass-fiber construction
- Reinforces joints and corners of cement board in exterior substrate applications and interior tile or thin-brick applications
- Reinforces joints and corners of FIBEROCK panels in interior tile applications
- Sizes for interior (2" wide) and exterior (4" wide) joint reinforcement

## Description

DUROCK™ Brand Interior and Exterior Tapes are especially designed to reinforce the joints and corners of DUROCK Cement Board. The 2″ DUROCK Interior Tape is used to reinforce corners and joints of DUROCK Cement Board. DUROCK Exterior Tape is 4″ wide, and it is the required product for completely covering and reinforcing corners and joints of DUROCK Cement Board when used as an exterior substrate. DUROCK Interior and Exterior Tapes are made of alkali-resistant glass-fiber mesh to provide a strong, long-lasting joint.

#### Directions Interior

Application of Tile and Thin Brick Finishes in Interior Applications. For Durock Cement Board — following application of Durock Cement Board, prefill joints between panels of Durock Cement Board with tile-setting mortar or adhesive. Center Durock Interior Tape over all joints and corners and embed in mortar or adhesive. Do not overlap pieces of the tape. Level the joints. For small areas where the Durock Cement Board will not be tiled, such as a board extending beyond the tiled area and abutting another surface, treat joints as follows; seal Durock Cement Board with Type 1 ceramic tile adhesive (mix 4 parts adhesive with one part water). Embed Sheetrock® Brand Joint Tape over joints and treat fasteners with Sheetrock® Brand Durabond® 45 or 90 Setting-Type Joint Compound applied in a conventional manner. Flat trowel Sheetrock Setting-Type Compound over board to cover fasteners and fill voids to a smooth surface. Finish joints with at least two coats of Sheetrock® Brand Ready-Mixed Joint Compound. Do not apply ready-mixed or setting-type joint compound over unsealed board.

For FIBEROCK Tile Backerboard in tiled areas. Embed DUROCK Interior Tape in latex-fortified mortar or latex-based Type I mastic over the joint. Use the same material as specified for tile setting.

For finishing FIBEROCK Underlayment joints. Sand uneven panel joints. Prefill all underlayment joints with tile-setting mortar or adhesive. Immediately embed Durock Interior Tape over the joints, and strike joints flush. Additional fill coats may be required.

#### **Exterior**

**Application of Tile and Thin Brick Finishes in Exterior Applications.** Following application of Durock Cement Board, prefill joints with latex-modified portland cement mortar. Center Durock Exterior Tape over all joints and corners and embed in mortar. Do not overlap pieces of the tape. Level the joints.

**Application of Texture Finishes.** Following application of Durock Cement Board, prefill joints with a suitable basecoat. Center Durock Exterior Tape over all joints and embed in basecoat. Do not overlap pieces of the tape. Level the joints.

### **Product Data**

Durock Interior and Exterior Tapes are made from alkali-resistant glass-fiber mesh.

**Sizes and Packaging:** Durock Interior Tape: Rolls, 2" x 50' and 2" x 250'.

Durock Exterior Tape: Rolls, 4" x 150'.

Shelf Life: Up to 12 months under protected storage conditions. Rotate stock.

**Availability and Cost:** DUROCK Interior and Exterior Tapes are distributed throughout the United States. Contact a United States Gypsum Company sales office or salesperson for additional information.

# Submittal Approvals:

Job Name	
Contractor	Date

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