OTC Timber

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<u>Painting Specifications</u> H3.1 Treated and Primed Products

KEEP DRY & PROTECT FROM WEATHER UNTIL USE

Important notice to builders and painters – PLEASE READ

It is essential that you store this product indoors on bearers and off the ground until the product is sealed as specified below. Moisture can cause swelling between the fingerjoints and/or raised grain in the surface of the product.

PRIMER WILL NOT PROTECT AGAINST MOISTURE UPTAKE OR EXTREME WEATHER CONDITIONS. PLEASE STORE INDOORS ON BEARERS & OFF THE GROUND & USE A MOISTURE RESISTENT GROUND SHEET.

If Indoor storage is not possible, the product must be protected from overhead conditions as well as moisture uptake from damp ground. Material should have a minimum of 150mm ground clearance on evenly placed bearers. In addition to the factory wrap, a secondary site cover and ground sheet should be used.

Ensure all cut ends and mitres are sealed with a premium end seal product. DO NOT use any sealants or glues between board laps.

OTC Timber boards should only be painted when dry and near equilibrium moisture content (MC <14%) as soon as possible after installation. Use a correctly calibrated moisture meter to measure moisture content. Board dimensions should also be checked. If larger than factory stated dimensions it is likely that moisture has been absorbed. OTC Timber recommends that the laps of the boards be painted with the finished colour paint prior to installation to minimise shrinkage lap marks.

If OTC Timber boards have been exposed to the weather for longer than 6 weeks or the primed surface is unsound follow steps 1, 2, 3, 4 below and apply one full coat of Premium OIL BASED primer undercoat.

Resin may bleed from this product in hot sheltered conditions or where it has been painted in dark colours. Adherence to the specifications below will help minimise the problem. We do not recommend that this product be painted in dark colours or high gloss finishes. Paint light reflective value (LRV) should be 45 or greater.

RECOMMENDED SPECIFICATION FOR PAINTING OTC TIMBER PRIMED H3.1 TREATED PRODUCTS

- 1. Spot prime, fill and repair all nail holes and any other board imperfections.
- 2. H3.1 Treat and prime all cut ends, mitres and bare timber.
- 3. Ensure paint surfaces are clean and free of any contamination, eg sawdust, dust, soil, grease and mildew.
- 4. Lightly sand surface where necessary to an even flat finish.
- 5. Apply a minimum of two full coats¹ of premium exterior acrylic to the recommended film thickness. *It is most important to read the paint manufacturer's instructions on the paint tin/bucket for recommended coverage.*

¹OTC Timber recommends the additional application of one full coat of Premium OIL BASED primer undercoat for increased durability. Total finished paint system film build should exceed 100 microns DFT.

WE DO NOT WARRANT ANY PRODUCT WHICH HAS NOT BEEN KEPT DRY OR WHICH HAS NOT BEEN PAINTED ACCORDING TO THE SPECIFICATIONS ABOVE.

