

# *STUC-O-FLEX*

## **THERMAL-FLEX (MF)**

### **WITH MOISTURE-FLEX**

## **COATING ASSEMBLY TO INSULATION BOARD MANUFACTURERS SPECIFICATIONS / SECTION 07240**

### **PART 1 - GENERAL**

#### 1.01 DESCRIPTION

- A. Provide all labor, materials and equipment necessary to install the “**THERMAL-FLEX**” Coating Assembly from Stuc-O-Flex International, Inc. The assembly consists of Elastomeric Joint Compound, Moisture-Flex, PRM or Stuc-O-Base, a polymer modified cement adhesive / base coat, Reinforcing Fiberglass Mesh, and Stuc-O-Flex Elastomeric Acrylic finish.
- B. Related work specified elsewhere:
  - 1. **Sealant section 07900.**
- C. Terms and Definitions:
  - 1. Thermal-Flex Assembly  
Consists of STUC-O-FLEX joint compound, moisture-flex, reinforcing fiberglass mesh, adhesive / base coat, and finish coat, applied to expanded polystyrene insulation board.
  - 2. Elastomeric Joint Compound & Fiberglass Detail Mesh  
Joint Compound is a polymer based, extremely elastomeric joint bridging and leveling compound used in conjunction with 6” wide Reinforcing Mesh fiberglass Mesh.
  - 3. Moisture-Flex  
A ready mixed 100% acrylic, elastomeric moisture resistant barrier. Direct applied to substrates this protective membrane minimizes the potential of water damage to sheathing materials.
  - 4. PRM or Stuc-O-Base Adhesive / Base Coat  
Cementitious, co-polymer base and adhesive, field mixed for use as an adhesive for approved insulation and base coat for reinforcing fiberglass mesh.
  - 5. Insulation Board  
Expanded Polystyrene (EPS) Board with an average density of 1.0 pcf, a flame spread rating of less than 25, a smoke development index of less than 450 and an R-value of 3.85 per inch at 75 degrees F. It must conform to ASTM C 578-85 Class A. EPS Board must have a backside corrugation (grooves) minimum 3/8 inch deep by 1 inch wide every 2 inches providing for water drainage.

6. Washers / Mechanical Fasteners  
(optional / as required over secondary moisture barrier)  
Shall be a 2" inch wide polypropylene washer with a recessed center chamber to accept the corrosion resistant fastener as manufactured by Wind-Lock or equal.
7. Reinforcing Fiberglass Mesh  
Balanced open weave reinforcing fiberglass mesh treated for compatibility with other materials of the system. The fabric shall not be less than 4.4 oz ( $\pm$  10%) per square yard. High Impact Resistant Mesh (Recommended for first floors, high traffic areas, and areas subject to abuse). This consists of an additional layer of Light Armor (15 oz.) Mesh or Armor (21 oz.) mesh embedded into Stuc-O-Flex Base coat. The heavier mesh is always installed under the lighter mesh. **In no case should Armor mesh be used without the regular mesh (4.4 oz) over it.**
8. Base coat  
PRM (Polymer Reinforced Mortar) Base or Stuc-O-Base is a fiber reinforced, 100% acrylic polymer modified cement base coat that has good water resistance and vapor permeability.
9. Stuc-O-Flex Finish Coat  
Functions as the weathering surface. It is a factory mixed Finish supplied by STUC-O-FLEX in various colors, finishes and textures.

## 1.02 QUALITY ASSURANCE

- A. Applicator Requirements
  1. Applicator shall be licensed, insured and competent to accurately install the assemblies consistent with construction documents and specifications.
- B. Approvals
  1. The assembly shall be recognized for the intended use by the applicable building codes.
- C. Design Considerations
  1. Deflection of the Substrate system shall not exceed  $l/240$ .
  2. Minimum slope shall be 4 : 12 pitch.
  3. Expansion Joint Requirements:
    - a. Where building or substrate expansion joints occur.
    - b. At floor lines in wood frame construction.
    - c. Where dissimilar substrates occur.
    - d. Locations where the system abuts alternate building materials.
    - e. As determined by design professional
  4. Stuc-O-Flex Coating material terminations to windows, doors, air conditioning units, electrical boxes, etc. shall provide adequate space for proper waterproof transition.
  5. Stuc-O-Flex Coatings shall terminate at a minimum 8" inches above grade.
  6. Sealant system shall be compatible with Stuc-O-Flex base Coat and adjacent building product. Consult sealant manufacturers for recommendations
  7. All insulation board not applied to cementitious surfaces shall incorporate a mechanism for water drainage between insulation and substrate. Either by using insulation with backside corrugation (grooves) minimum 3/8 inch deep by 1 inch wide or WaterWay Drainage Mats.

Note: All Stuc-O-Flex transitions to adjacent building materials shall be professionally designed and executed to prevent water intrusion behind the coating materials, this is normally achieved by incorporating a nominal ½ wide backer rod & sealant joint. The integrity of this water tight detail must be maintained. Stuc-O-Flex International, Inc. is not responsible for design.

### 1.03 SUBMITTALS

- A. Samples:
1. The applicator shall, before the project commences, provide the owner and/or the architect, a sample of suitable size of each color and texture as specified for the project for the purpose of obtaining approvals.
  2. Each sample shall be prepared using the same tools and techniques as required for the actual application.
  3. An approved sample shall be available and maintained at the job site.

### 1.04. PRODUCT DELIVERY, STORAGE AND HANDLING

- A. Deliver all material supplied by the manufacturer in original, unopened packages with legible manufacturer's identification and labels intact.
- B. Store all products supplied by STUC-O-FLEX in a cool dry place, out of direct sunlight, protected from weather and other damage. In addition, the materials shall be stored in tightly sealed containers at a temperature of not less than 40°F at all times.

### 1.05 JOB CONDITIONS

- A. Weather and Environmental Conditions
1. Application of Stuc-O-Flex Coatings shall not take place during inclement weather unless appropriate protection is employed.
  2. Stuc-O-Flex applied materials shall be protected against freezing temperatures, rain, or water splash for a period of at least 24 hours. The job should be tented and a heat source provided if there is a projected drop in the temperature below 40°F during the first 24 hours after application of Base coat or Finish coat.

### 1.06 COORDINATION AND SCHEDULING

- A. The work in this section requires close coordination with related sections and trades.
- B. The tops of all walls must immediately be protected to prevent water infiltration behind the exterior wall assembly. The cap flashing should be installed immediately after the Finish coat has cured.
- C. Sealant and waterproofing materials shall be installed in a timely manner as to prevent water intrusion behind the Stuc-O-Flex coatings.

### 1.07 MAINTENANCE

- A. Sealant and other components of the structure must be inspected periodically to confirm performance as originally installed. Corrections shall be made at once.

## PART 2 - PRODUCTS

### 2.01 MANUFACTURERS

All Stuc-O-Flex Coating products shall be obtained from STUC-O-FLEX INTERNATIONAL, INC., as manufacturer, or its authorized supplier or distributor.

### 2.02 MATERIALS

- A. **Elastomeric Joint Compound & Fiberglass Detail Mesh**  
Joint Compound and 6" Detail Mesh is used at seams, through wall penetrations, inside and outside corners as a bridging treatment prior to Moisture-Flex resistive barrier application. It is also used as a leveling compound.
- B. **Moisture-Flex**  
When properly applied Moisture-Flex provides an effective air barrier and water resistive membrane in a protective coating for use with exterior wall coatings and systems.
- C. **Insulation Board**  
Expanded Polystyrene (EPS) Board with an average density of 1.0 pcf, a flame spread rating of less than 25, a smoke development index of less than 450, and an R-value of 3.85 per inch at 75 degrees F. It must conform to ASTM C 578-85 Class A. EPS Board must have a backside corrugation (grooves) minimum 3/8 inch deep by 1 inch wide every 2 inches providing for water drainage.
- D. **Washers / Mechanical Fasteners**  
Shall be a 2" inch wide polypropylene washer with a recessed-center chamber to accept the corrosion resistant fastener as manufactured by Wind-Lock or equal. Fasteners shall penetrate structural members a minimum 3/4" inch.
- E. **Fiberglass Reinforcing Mesh**  
Balanced open weave fiberglass reinforcing mesh, treated for compatibility with other materials of the system. The fabric shall not be less than 4.4 oz ( $\pm$  10%) per square yard.  
  
High Impact Resistant System (Recommended for first floors, for high traffic areas, and areas subject to abuse). This assembly consists of an additional layer of Light Armor (15 oz.) Mesh or Armor (21 oz.) mesh embedded in STUC-O-FLEX PRM base coat. The heavier mesh is always installed under the lighter mesh. **In no case should the Armor mesh be used without the regular mesh (4.4 oz) over it.**
- F. **Base coat**  
PRM (Polymer Reinforced Mortar) Base or Stuc-O-Base is a fiber reinforced, 100% acrylic polymer modified cement base coat that has good water resistance and vapor permeability.
- G. **Stuc-O-Flex Finish Coat**  
Functions as the weathering surface. It is a factory mixed Finish supplied by STUC-O-FLEX in various colors, finishes and textures.
- H. **Water - shall be clean and potable.**

## 2.03 PROPERTIES

- A. The Stuc-O-Flex Finish coatings comply with following test standards:

<u>TEST</u>	<u>METHOD</u>	<u>RESULT</u>
ELONGATION % (FINISH)		105 PERCENT
WATER VAPOR TRANSMISSION	ASTM-E96	14 GRAINS PER HOUR / SQ. FT. (AVERAGE)
SALT SPRAY RESISTANCE	B-117	300 HOURS NO DELETERIOUS EFFECTS
ACCELERATED WEATHERING	G-23-81	2000 HOURS NO DELETERIOUS EFFECTS
ABSORPTION FREEZE THAW	60 CYCLES	NO CRACKING, CHECKING
TENSILE BOND	ASTM C-297	127.9 PSF
WATER PENETRATION TEST	ASTM-E-331	NO WATER PENETRATION OCCURRED ON SUBSTRATE
WATER RESISTANCE TEST	ASTM D-2247	NO CRACKING, BLISTERING, PEELING OR COMPROMISE
MILDEW / FUNGUS RESISTANCE	810 B	NO MOLD OR MILDEW GROWTH DURING TEST
WIND DRIVEN RAIN		NO DELAMINATION, NO WATER INTRUSION
FIRE TESTING TUNNEL TEST	ASTM E-84	FLAME SPREAD < 25 SMOKE DEVELOPED < 450 CLASS "A" FIRE RATED

- B. Contact Stuc-O-Flex Technical center for additional details 1-800-305-1045.

## PART 3 - EXECUTION

### 3.01 INSPECTION

- A. Prior to proceeding, carefully inspect preparatory and installed work of other trades and verify that such work is correct and completed to the point where this installation may properly proceed.
- B. Substrate shall be dry, sound and free of release agents (silicones, oils, etc.), paint and other residue or coatings.
- D. The substrate shall have no planar irregularities greater than 1/4" in 8 feet.
- C. Notifications - The General Contractor and the Architect shall be advised of any discrepancies. Work shall not proceed until all unsatisfactory conditions are corrected and the substrate is acceptable, clean and free of any contaminants, including completion of all appropriate flashing and other waterproofing details.

### 3.02 INSTALLATION

- A. Elastomeric Joint Compound and 6" Detail Mesh
1. Joint Compound is applied to the substrate using a drywall knife or trowel with sufficient pressure to ensure deep penetration into the joint. Application requires mesh to be completely embedded at all seams, joint, through wall and window returns. Joint Compound shall be free of pinholes or voids and provide for complete uniform coverage prior to Moisture-Flex installation.

B. Moisture-Flex

1. Moisture-Flex may be applied by brush, roller, or appropriate spray equipment & backroll. Roller application requires a ¾" to 1" nap length. Minimum dry coating thickness shall be 10 - 12 mils absent of pinholes, voids, and provide for a uniform coating membrane.

C. Adhesive and Insulation Board

The following adhesives may be used to attach insulation board to Moisture-Flex coated Dens-glass or cementitious substrates:

1. STUC-O-FLEX PRM (polymer modified mortar) adhesive / base coat
  - a. Mix material in a pail with approximately 2 gallons of clean, potable water until a buttery consistency is attained. As in other cementitious mortar mixes, retemper the mixture after about 10 minutes from the time the adhesive was originally mixed.
- STUC-O-BASE adhesive / base coat
  - a. Should be mixed 1:1 by weight with fresh, dry Portland Cement type I or II. Product should be allowed to sit for 10 minutes, then remixed use immediately
  - b. After mixing apply Stuc-O-Base or PRM Adhesive/Base coat to the entire back surface on the high areas of the board using a 3/8 inch notched trowel running in a vertical configuration.
  - c. Install insulation board on the substrate and apply equal pressure over the entire board surface to ensure uniform contact and solid adhesion.
  - d. Butt all joints tightly to ensure a flat, flush and level surface. Use straight edge as necessary to align and check.
  - e. For installation details at rooflines, windows and joints with other materials, refer to construction documents & details.
  - f. Any irregularity of the insulation surfaces greater than 1/16" must be sanded flush.

D. Mechanical fasteners – Used as supplement to adhesive attachment:

1. Use the compression disk to secure the insulation board through the substrate to the structural framework.
2. Make sure the correct fastener type is used for the framing and substrate type and the recommended installation pattern is followed.
2. Fastener shall be countersunk 1/16" and covered with one layer of PRM (polymer reinforced mortar) Base coat and allowed to dry prior to the application of the full PRM Base coat layer.

E. Base coat and Reinforcing Fabric

1. Apply STUC-O-FLEX PRM (polymer reinforced mortar) or STUC-O-BASE, Base coat - Using a stainless steel trowel, apply a minimum 1/16" thickness of base coat to the surface of the insulation board.
2. Install Reinforcing Fabric
  - a. Immediately place the reinforcing fabric against the wet Base coat and by troweling from the center to the edges, embed the fabric into the Base coat.
  - b. The reinforcing fabric must be continuous, free of wrinkles and be fully embedded in the Base coat. All edges shall be overlapped at least 2 1/2". All corners shall have Reinforcing mesh returned not less than 12" to the opposite side.
  - c. For construction not detailed with control joints at door, window and other openings, additional "butterfly" strips of 9" x 12" regular reinforcing mesh will be embedded within the Base Coat at a 45 degree angle at each corner during base coat application.

- d. Allow at least 24 hours drying time. Additional time may be required at low temperatures or with high humidity conditions.
- e. Where shown on plans, the High Impact System is to be installed as follows: the Armor Mesh is first embedded into the Base coat. The Base coat is allowed to dry for 24 hours. Then another coat of Base coat is applied over the first application to embed the regular reinforcing mesh.

F. Finish Coat

- 1. Thoroughly mix the STUC-O-FLEX factory prepared Finish coat. Use a high-speed mixer and stir until a uniform consistency is obtained. If necessary, add small amounts of clean, potable water (not to exceed 12 oz. per pail) to adjust workability.
- 2. Use Finish color and texture as it conforms to previously submitted and approved sample.
- 3. Use clean stainless steel trowels to apply Finish coat directly over the Base coat. (Some finishes may be spray applied -- please consult your STUC-O-FLEX manufacturer).
- 4. Special texture and grain effects are obtained by troweling. Consistent troweling techniques by all mechanics on the job must be used to achieve uniformity of appearance.

G. Sealants

- 1. Properly installed Sealant system must be incorporated to prevent water intrusion behind Stuc-O-Flex Coating materials

3.04 JOB SITE CLEAN UP

- A. All excess STUC-O-FLEX wall coating materials shall be removed from the job site by the contractor / applicator.

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### Coating Materials Application

#### APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

Prior to any installation work, the following conditions must be met:

1. Check that the framing/sheathing is structurally sound, dry, and clean.
2. The framing/sheathing is in accordance with contract documents and specifications.
3. Check that the moisture content of the sheathing does not exceed 19%.
4. Check that all roof terminations, mechanical equipment, decks, windows and doors are appropriately flashed to protect against water intrusion.

Note: Flashings, weather resistant barriers (as required), and waterproof transitions from Stuc-O-Flex Finish to adjacent materials along with good construction practice are critical to long-term performance of the exterior wall coatings

If any of the conditions above are not properly met, immediately notify the General Contractor, Architect, or Owner. Work should not continue until such time that all unsatisfactory conditions are corrected.

#### Step One - Applying Elastomeric Joint Compound and 6 inch Detail Mesh

1. Joint Compound is applied to the substrate using a drywall knife or trowel with sufficient pressure to ensure deep penetration into the joint. Application requires mesh to be completely embedded at all seams, joint, through wall and window returns. Joint Compound shall be free of pinholes or voids and provide for complete uniform coverage prior to Moisture-Flex installation.

#### Step Two - Applying Moisture-Flex

1. Moisture-Flex may be applied by brush, roller, or appropriate spray equipment then back rolled. Roller application requires a  $\frac{3}{4}$ " – 1" nap length. Minimum dry coating thickness shall be 10 – 12 mils absent of pinholes, voids, and provide for a uniform coating membrane. (Screen prior to spray)

### Step Three - Applying Casing Bead with Weep Holes to the Substrate

1. Application of the casing bead with weep holes begins at the base of a vertical surface as follows:
2. Snap a chalk line at the base of the substrate at all horizontal terminations, including but not limited to foundations, floor line expansion joints, roof to wall interface, top of penetrations windows, doors, mechanical equipment, etc.
3. Fasten as instructed by manufacturer.

### Step Four - Installing Insulation Boards

Prior to installation of any insulation board, detail mesh shall be placed around the perimeter of all openings by stapling mesh to substrate. This step provides for proper encapsulation of insulation board.

Insulation board joints shall not coincide with corners of windows, doors, or other penetrations. This will reduce any potential for cracks in these locations.

The following adhesives may be used to attach insulation board to Moisture-Flex coated Dens-glass or Cementitious substrates:

1. STUC-O-FLEX PRM (polymer modified mortar) adhesive / base coat
  - a. Mix material in a pail with approximately 2 gallons of clean, potable water until a buttery consistency is attained. As in other cementitious mortar mixes, retemper the mixture after about 10 minutes from the time the adhesive was originally mixed.
- STUC-O-BASE adhesive / base coat
  - a. Should be mixed 1:1 by weight with fresh, dry Portland Cement type I or II. Product should be allowed to sit for 10 minutes, then remixed use immediately
  - b. After mixing apply Stuc-O-Base or PRM Adhesive/Base coat over the high ribs on entire back surface of the board at 3/8 inch thick running in a vertical configuration.
  - c. Install insulation board on the substrate and apply equal pressure over the entire board surface to ensure uniform contact and solid adhesion.
  - d. Butt all joints tightly to ensure a flat, flush and level surface. Use straight edge as necessary to align and check.
  - e. For installation details at rooflines, windows and joints with other materials, refer to construction documents & details.
  - f. Any irregularity of the insulation surfaces greater than 1/16" must be sanded flush.

Washers / Mechanical Fasteners shall comply with section 2.02 Materials, Paragraph D,

1. Fasteners shall be corrosion resistant in an appropriate length to penetrate structural members as required by the manufacturer and code.
2. Insulation board may be cut by one of the following methods:

- A. Razor knife and straight edge.
  - B. Fine toothed handsaw.
  - C. Radial arm saw or table saw with a fine-toothed plywood blade.
  - D. Hot wire cutting machine.
3. Insulation board joints and corners should be staggered. Insulation board should also be staggered over the substrate joints (**Important**). No insulation board joints should fall on substrate joints both vertical and/or horizontal (minimum 8" offset).
  4. Insulation board should be held back from edges to allow for appropriate caulking details. (Consult Architectural Details and Construction Documents).
  5. Installation of mechanical fasteners should proceed as next step. Make sure the correct fastener type is used (either wood, metal or concrete fastener depending upon substrate and/or framing member) and the recommended installation pattern is followed. Fasteners shall be countersunk 1/16", covered with a layer of Stuc-O-Base or PRM Adhesive/Base coat and allowed to dry.
  6. Fastening schedule shall comply with construction documents.
  7. If insulation boards do not abut tightly and there is a gap in the joint, the joint must be filled with a piece of properly adhered EPS board. Under NO CIRCUMSTANCES are joints to be filled with Adhesive/Base coat.
  8. Rasping of EPS insulation board: All irregular seams in the EPS board are to be rasped smooth. Generally, the whole board and/or area of wall will require rasping or sanding. This can be achieved with Stanley Sur-Form rasp or #16 Grit sandpaper stapled to a 2" x 4" or other suitable tool.
  9. While rasping, use a 4-foot straight edge to check the uniformity and smoothness of the wall. Rasping and sanding the EPS board is one of the most important steps in the application. Any irregularities in the EPS board will telegraph through to the finish.
  10. All aesthetic joints can now be produced. Route the joint to the predetermined depth, apply adhesive, then embed fiberglass mesh.  
  
Note: In the case of router grooves the thickness of insulation board remaining shall not be less than 3/4" in any area of the wall surface.
  11. Apply Base coat to the lower section of the board with a trowel, pull up the detail mesh and embed in the Base coat prior to embedding the full fiberglass mesh.
  12. Reinforcing fabric is to be wrapped around all edges of insulation board where it will abut caulks, foundations, doorjamb, window frames, expansion joints and dissimilar materials. Fabric is to be wrapped over the edge and 3 inches up the front of the insulation board.

#### Step Five - Embedding Fiberglass Mesh

1. Window Corners, exterior and interior corners
  - A. Pre-cut fabric to 12" width or use STUC-O-FLEX supplied 6" rolls of detail mesh.

- B. Apply Stuc-O-Base or PRM Adhesive/Base coat 1/16" to 1/8" thick on EPS board at the corner.
  - C. The use of STUC-O-FLEX approved mesh corners is strongly recommended to achieve a sharp and impact resistant corner.
  - D. Embed fabric with a stainless steel trowel. (The fabric will act as a screen.)
  - E. Final thickness of the adhesive mesh fabric layer shall be approximately 1/16".
  - F. Let cure 24 hours before the next stage of installation.
2. Embedding the reinforcing fiberglass mesh
- A. Pre-cut the mesh to workable lengths.
  - B. Apply 1/16" to 1/8" of Base coat to the insulation board.
  - C. Trowel mesh vertically into the PRM Adhesive/Base coat starting in the middle of the mesh and embedding towards to edges.
  - D. Fiberglass mesh should be applied vertically and lapped at least 2 1/2" at all edges.
  - E. Embed reinforcing 9" x 12" butterfly mesh at a 45° angle at all corners of openings where construction details do not provide for joints.
  - F. Let cure for a minimum of 24 hours before application of the finish. Weather conditions will affect time needed to cure.

Notes: Before application of the STUC-O-FLEX Finish:

- 1) Make sure the Base coat & Fiberglass mesh layer is dry and cured. Moisture content must be 19 percent or less. Check, using moisture meter.
- 2) Remove any irregularities (trowel marks) with a Goldblatt Sand Stone.
- 3) In some instances it may be necessary to skim-coat hollows if the EPS board was not perfectly flat.

#### Step Four - Application of STUC-O-FLEX Finishes

##### Mixing Instructions for all STUC-O-FLEX Finishes

Open pail. Mix thoroughly with Jiffler mixer, taking care to avoid excessive up and down motion with drill and blade. Too much vertical motion will introduce air into the Finish and may inhibit proper curing. Small amounts of water may be added (maximum 12 oz.) to adjust workability.

Applications of STUC-O-FLEX Finishes shall commence only when adequate labor force and equipment is available to maintain a wet edge insuring a systematic installation free of cold joints.

1. STUC-O-FLEX Finishes

- A. STUC-O-FLEX "T" or "Modified" Finish - Consistency of STUC-O-FLEX Finish will be similar to creamy stucco. Color is integral and will dry darker on the wall than the shade appears in the pail. Apply STUC-O-FLEX Finish using a stainless steel trowel to the thickness of the largest aggregate within the product and float smooth for a sand finish appearance. Various textures can be accomplished with troweling and floating of the STUC-O-FLEX Finish. Maintain a wet edge. Finish thickness must be a minimum 1/16" inch.
  - B. PUTZ-FLEX Finish - Coarse, wormy type texture. PUTZ-FLEX is applied with a stainless steel trowel and pulled tightly to the largest aggregate. Circular texturing is achieved with a stainless steel trowel or plastic float. Vertical texturing is achieved with up and down motions 12" to 24" using a wood float or plastic float.
2. Observe instructions on the label including - **Do not** apply when temperature is below 40 degrees F. or will drop below freezing within 24 hours of application. Finish must be protected from direct moisture and freezing temperatures until dry. (Normally 24 hours). No additives may be used.

Note: All Stuc-O-Flex transitions to adjacent building materials shall be professionally designed and executed to prevent water intrusion behind the coating materials, this is normally achieved by incorporating a nominal ½ wide backer rod & sealant joint. The integrity of this water tight detail must be maintained. Stuc-O-Flex International, Inc. is not responsible for design