

CLEANING

I. General Cleaning

A. Testing has verified that Dryvit finishes can be adequately cleaned with the use of general cleaning compounds, followed by a mild pressurized water clean and rinse. This can usually be accomplished with a garden hose and an ordinary nozzle. **No acidic cleaners are recommended.**

B. Enviro Klean® EIFS Clean 'N Prep, manufactured by Prosoco, Lawrenceville, KS, (800) 255-4255, is a general purpose cleaner that the manufacturer indicates is suitable for cleaning Dryvit systems. This cleaner should be considered a starting point in the selection of the appropriate cleaning compound. Every building will have different requirements. General-purpose cleaners are suitable for many buildings. Working with the manufacturer of the cleaning compound is essential to achieve the most effective cleaning tailored to the requirements of each individual building. A test should always be performed on a small, inconspicuous area before proceeding to general cleaning on a larger scale.

II. Removing Paint

A. Depending on the type of paint used, it may or may not be possible to remove. Try cleaning as described above. **Do not use solvents or solvent-based cleaners such**

as paint thinner or mineral spirits, since this can damage the Dryvit components. If the paint cannot be removed with proper cleaning techniques, it will be necessary to refinish or paint over it.

III. Asphalt or Tar Stains

A. We know of no product, which will remove these types of stains without adversely affective the System. These stains must be chipped off and the affected area must be refinished. We recommend using a Dryvit-listed contractor for this type of repair. The local Dryvit distributor can give you the name of contractors.

Revyvit® or Demandit® coatings in accordance with their application instructions. Ensure that the area to be coated has been thoroughly cleaned as outlined in the cleaning section and follow the application instructions for the respective coating.

REFINISHING

I. Refinishing Textured Finishes

- A. If for any reason these finishes must be refinished, the proper way to do it is:
1. Be sure the area to be recoated is thoroughly cleaned as outlined in the cleaning section.
 2. Trowel on a tight coat of Freestyle® finish or NCB™. Ensure the surface is smooth and level.
 3. Allow the skim coat to completely dry (usually 24 hours).
 4. Apply the new finish and float to desired texture.

RECOATING

Many of Dryvit's finishes may be refreshed or the color may be changed by applying either