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Handling, storage, Installation procedure and expectations of LITHEOZ panels

HANDLING AND STORAGE INSTRUCTIONS





Using Fork Lift:

Use fork lift for loading and unloading the crates. Ensure that the crate is well balanced and centered to the fork of the forklift. It is not advisable to stack multiple crates while loading and unloading.





Moving Panels:

Panels/boxes should be lifted and moved vertically with the longer edge facing the ground. Lifting and moving the panels with face parallel to the ground may lead to bending and breaking of panels.





Stacking Panels:

Panels/boxes have to be stacked next to each other, perpendicular to the ground. The longer edge of the panels/boxes should face the ground. The panels should never be stacked horizontally on top of one another. This may damage the panels.





Storing Panels:

The Panels should be placed on two wooden planks on the ground as shown in the figure. The panels could be damaged if placed directly on the ground. The edges and corners of the panels/boxes should not collide with the floor of walls while handling, this may damage the panels.



Handle With Care:

Litheoz panels need to be handled with care. Gloves must be clean, oil and grease can stain the panel surface.



Keep Dry:

Litheoz panels needs to be protected from moisture at the job-site and in long-term storage.

INSTALLATION PROCEDURE

Wet & Dry Wall Cladding (Using Adhesive)

Nuance Studio Concrete Wall Panels can be installed on concrete plastered walls as well dry walls such as plywood and other board partition walls.

Ensure the surface of the wall is as clean and flat as possible on which the panels are being installed. The tiling pattern should be marked on the walls before installing the panels to ensure the right tessellation pattern is achieved. Recommended wall adhesive needs to be used for installing the concrete panels. Different type of adhesives are used to install the concrete panels based on the substrate, height of installation and other factors. Please connect with us for specific details.

Wet Cladding method:

Wet Cladding method is used for installing Nuance Studio Concrete Panels on cement plastered walls. S1 class cement-based adhesives are used in this method. The back of the concrete panels should be primed with a priming liquid polymer before cladding.

Drywall Cladding method:

Drywall Cladding method is used for installing Nuance Studio Concrete Panels on substrates such as plywood and other board partitions and walls. Drywall adhesives predominantly have A&B components mixed together without using water. Drywall application is less dusty and messy by process.

For Wet Cladding and Drywall cladding, same procedure is followed from here on.

While starting installation, completely butter the back of the concrete panel with a very thin layer of adhesive. Apply the tile adhesive on the installation wall and the back of the Concrete Wall Panel using a notched trowel and install the panels as regular practice.

Use of spacers is recommended for installation. The spacer gaps should be filled with superior quality tile grout / sealant where the surface is subjected to moisture and water contact. The tile edges need to be masked using 1" non- marking masking tape before grouting. The marking tape needs to be removed immediately after the grout is applied. The front surface of the Concrete Panels should be kept clean and away from contact of adhesive and grout, as it may permanently stain the surface. In-case of any residue of the adhesive or grout settling on the surface of the panel, the residue should be wiped off and cleaned immediately to avoid any sorts of stains.

The spacer gaps can be left unfilled in interior application for aesthetic reasons.

Spot bonding of the adhesive is absolutely not recommended for any type of installation.

Mechanical clamps along with adhesive is recommended to be used for multilevel and exterior wall panel installations. Mechanical clamps ensure safety of the installation in higher heights and in varied climatic conditions. Please contact the company for more details.

*Nuance Studio does not warrant the compatibility of any adhesive with the Wall Panels. Compatibility is the sole responsibility of the adhesive manufacturer and/or the building owner and does not hold any responsibility to determining whether the building is capable of supporting the design load of the Wall system, including the Wall Panels.

INSTALLATION PROCEDURE



Step 1:

Apply the tile adhesive on the installation wall using a notched trowel.



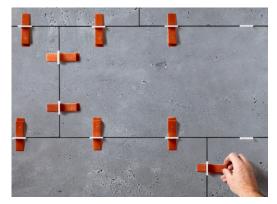
Step 2:

Butter the back of the concrete panel with a very thin layer of adhesive using a notched trowel.



Step 3:

Use of a minimum of 2mm spacer is recommended for installation.



Step 4:

Remove the spacers once the installation is completed.



Step 5:

The spacer gaps should be filled with superior quality tile grout / sealant where the surface is subjected to moisture and water contact. The tile edges need to be masked using 1" non- marking masking tape before grouting. The marking tape needs to be removed immediately after the grout is applied.

EXPECTATION OF LITHEOZ PANELS

Size:

Variation of 1% can be expected in the dimension of the Litheoz panels. For appropriate alignment of the panels during installation, use of spacers is highly advised.

Thickness:

Variation of 10% can be expected in the thickness of the Litheoz panels.

Cracks:

Visible cracks on the panels are considered as defects caused with improper handling while storing or transportation. Hairline cracks on the panels are NOT considered to be defects. They are a natural characteristic of the material and do not tamper with the functionality. These cracks which are developed over the years are minute, surficial and generally not visible to the naked eye.

Pinholes and Air Bubbles:

Concrete naturally has some air trapped in it while manufacturing. The occurrence of holes / bubbles is an inherent attribute of the material. Therefore no panels are imitable.

Smooth Natural:

The Litheoz panels with this texture is one of our most sophisticated yet earthy offerings. You can expect a few small pinholes on the surface of the panel. This is not considered a defect.

