

JOINT TAPE

Polyester Reinforcement Fabric

Technical Data & Application Instructions

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PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

Carrara **Joint Tape** is a thermally set, spunbonded polyester non-woven fabric made up of 100% continuous polyester filament fibers that are randomly arranged and reinforced with a 5 x 5 polyester scrim for added strength and stability. Carrara **Joint Tape** has high tensile and tear strength, wets out well with **AcraCream** acrylic-rubber joint sealant emulsion and is non-raveling, moisture, rot and mildew resistant, lightweight, good sunlight resistance and possesses good elongation and recovery properties when properly installed.

SURFACE PREPARATION

All surfaces must be clean, dry and free from dust, curing agents, scale or other foreign contaminants.

APPLICATION

All surfaces must be clean and dry, and free of dirt, dust, oil, efflorescence, form or release agents, and other contaminants, which may interfere with optimum adhesion. Using a 6 - 8 inch mud knife, apply a bead of CARRARA **ACRACREAM** as per application guidelines. Immediately imbed the **Joint Tape** with the shiny side up into the wet AcraCream and use the mud knife to encapsulate the tape. Care should be taken to lay the fabric tight to the surface without air pockets or wrinkles. Allow to dry a minimum of 2 - 4 hours. The black 5x5 polyester reinforcement scrim will be visible after the first coat. An additional coat of **AcraCream** is then applied so as to totally encapsulate the joint tape. None of the black reinforcement scrim should be visible. If so, apply additional **AcraCream**. Visibility of the black reinforcement is a quality control measure.

CLEAN-UP

Clean tools with water before material dries.

LIMITATIONS & PRECAUTIONS

These are general guidelines for application of the Carrara **Joint Tape** with Carrara **AcraCream** acrylic-rubber joint sealant. The material requirements may vary depending on the specific job requirements. Under proper conditions dry times for coatings will be from 2 to 4 hours, but under adverse conditions dry times can range to 12 hours or more. Application should not be done when temperatures are below 45°F or expected to drop below freezing before coating is dry. Special attention should be given to the dew point temperature because when this temperature is reached and dew forms the drying process of the coatings will cease.

Carrara Tape & Float Stucco products must be applied to structurally sound substrates and properly prepared surfaces. All surfaces must be clean and dry before application of coatings. The suitability of Carrara coatings & products shall be solely up to the user. Drying time and coverage are not guaranteed. Failure of the substrate does not constitute failure of the Carrara coating or system. Carrara Coatings should not be applied when rain or freezing temperatures are expected before coating is dry.



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Our data and suggestions are based on information from laboratory and field testing which we believe to be reliable. Because methods of application vary with each situation, we cannot guarantee or accept any liability resulting from the use of our products. Avoid contact with eyes and skin. For additional information on **ACRACREAM** safety requirements, refer to OSHA guidelines and Material Data Safety Sheet.