

### **Recommended Paints and Stains**

The boards can be painted or stained with paints / stains compatible with Portland cement surfaces.

Alkaline resistant latex paints are recommended. Plycem CemClad and CemDeck, like all other products containing Portland cement, is highly alkaline, therefore, only alkali-resistant paints should be applied without a primer.

Recommended types: Polyacrylic, rubber latex, polyvinyl chloride, chlorinated rubber and styenebutadiene paints, plastic coatings of the neoprene and hypalon type, and water based emulsion paints.

The following paint types are not alkali-resistant: PVA emulsion paints, as well as oil-bound distemper, oil paints, and alkyd paints. If these types of paints are to be used, then an alkali-resistant sealer must be applied as a primer prior to painting.

If there is any question regarding the paint to be used, consult the paint manufacturer for compatibility with Portland cement masonry surfaces.

Surface preparation: it is essential that the surface be free of loose matter, dust, oil, and grease. Wipe surfaces to be painted with a damp cloth. Remove oil and grease with a suitable solvent. Allow time for drying before painting.