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# **Ecologic**<sup>TM</sup> Brand Fiberglass Mesh Tape (6")

Self-Adhering, Non-Rusting, Alkali-Resistant Fiberglass Mesh for Lime Plaster/Stucco Systems

#### **PRODUCT DESCRIPTION:**

Ecologic<sup>TM</sup> Brand Fiberglass Mesh Tape is a light-weight adhesive fiberglass mesh ideal for interior or exterior plaster reinforcement. Ecologic<sup>TM</sup> Brand Fiberglass Mesh Tape can be used with Ecologic<sup>TM</sup> Plaster TAKCOAT<sup>TM</sup> or TOPCOAT<sup>TM</sup> systems to permanently hide joints, cracks, holes, and/or unify surfaces without the need to embed into mortar or plaster. Non-rusting and alkali-stable, Ecologic<sup>TM</sup> Brand Fiberglass Mesh Tape is produced from woven strands that are both flexible and flame retardant. Using Ecologic<sup>TM</sup> Brand Fiberglass Mesh Tape as a supplement to plaster system base coats can help prevent cracking, reinforce corners, or even provide a backing for ornamental plaster.

#### **PRODUCT SPECIFICATIONS:**

• *Packaging:* Single Roll

• Color: Blue

• *Roll Size:* 6" x 150' (0.15 x 45.72 m)

• *Roll Weight:* 1 lbs (0.454 kg)

• *Lath Weight:* 2.2 oz/yd<sup>2</sup> (75 g/m<sup>2</sup>)

• Weave Type: Leno

• *Weave Eye*: 0.11" x 0.11" (0.28 x 0.28 cm)

• Tensile Strength:

Warp: 160 lbs/in (0.794 kg/cm) Weft: 183 lb/in (0.908 kg/cm)

## **ADVANTAGES:**

- Lightweight rolls with large surface coverage
- Non-rusting, mold resistant, and alkali-resistant
- Can be applied in any direction and wrapped to conform to shaped features
- Easily cut to size with no sharp edges
- Adhesive eliminates the need to embed in base coat

#### **USES:**

- Bridging gaps, cracks, drywall board lines, or transitions between materials to help reduce risk of substrate cracks or drywall board joint lines from migrating through to new finish plaster/stucco system.
- As a base layer to prepare substrates before application of Ecologic<sup>TM</sup> Plaster TAKCOAT<sup>TM</sup> Platinum.
- Reinforcing base layer for future application of Ecologic<sup>TM</sup> Plaster TOPCOAT<sup>TM</sup> plaster/stucco.
- Wrapping corners to help reduce risk of plaster/ stucco knock off.
- Backing for ornamental plaster applications.

#### **ACCEPTABLE SUBSTRATES:**

• Solid non-flexing surfaces such as secure old plaster, masonry, or drywall board.

#### **APPLICATION PROCEDURE**

### 1) Applying Mesh Tape:

When bridging cracks or material transitions, ensure sufficient tape on each side of void to produce a taut mesh surface with no sagging or pull away. Mesh tape may be applied horizontally, vertically, or contoured to a surface, but must be flat and free of wrinkles or creases. Immediately after applying the mesh, apply 1/8"-1/4 pass of Ecologic<sup>TM</sup> Plaster TAKCOAT<sup>TM</sup> Platinum to the area prepared with mesh tape so that the tape is completely obscured. After the TAKCOAT<sup>TM</sup> over the tape has dried (generally 12-18 hours or more after installation), the entire wall or ceiling surface may be completely coated with a layer of TAKCOAT<sup>TM</sup> to prepare the surface area to receive a finish coat of Ecologic<sup>TM</sup> Plaster TOPCOAT<sup>TM</sup> Platinum in any of its grades.

## 2) Applying Ecologic<sup>TM</sup> Plaster TOPCOAT<sup>TM</sup>:

After ensuring that the previously applied TAKCOAT TM is completely dry (generally 12-18 hours or more after installation), apply Ecologic TM Plaster TOPCOAT TM in any finish gradation--Coarse (G), Fine (F), or Extra Fine (XF) Interior or Exterior--according to the instructions of the selected product. May also be used with Saint-Astier Lithomex when creating faux stone or brick walls.

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