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Advice Sheet 12 Repairs to Armourcoat Polished Plaster

1 Matching Colour

Armourcoat polished plasters contain natural mineral contents subject to batch variation. If we are requested to repair or re-apply the product, the client accepts there may be tonal and textural variation between the original installation and the new works. To undertake a reasonable repair the client shall provide Armourcoat with confirmation of the original colour and finish reference to ensure the closest possible match. When available, we will supply small, 150mm x 150mm samples to verify the material that will be re-applied.

When Armourcoat products are patch-applied into small areas such as cracks or small chips, the new material will often appear a tone darker or lighter than the original material. The client shall accept that repairs will often have different sheen characteristics owing to the self polishing nature of the products.

2 Repairs and Making Good

Armourcoat polished plaster and ArmourColor products are repairable to an extent; however the final success is greatly dependent upon the following factors:

- The size and shape of the damage
- The depth of the impact or score
- The colour, texture and surface sheen of the wall to be repaired
- The skill of the repairer

Small chips, scratches and dents can generally be repaired with reasonable success, however perfect repairs cannot be guaranteed. Long and deep scores, large patches, in filled plug sockets, screw holes and large cracks are almost impossible to repair effectively and a re-application will be required.

3 Re-application

If a repair is not possible or deemed unacceptable then a re-application is required. For finishes that have been sealed or waxed the original wall will need to be sanded back to achieve a good key into the background. For walls that were originally finished using dark colours the sanding process can produce airborne dust.

Whilst operatives will often use dust extracting sanding machines, we ask that clients arrange for fixtures, fittings, furniture and items of value to be removed from the localised area before the sanding process is started. Carpets and flooring shall also be protected by the client before the sanding process commences.

Once the wall has been sanded back the re-application process will commence. Prior to this stage the client may wish to consider if they would like the area completed in the original colour or an alternative finish / colour. For samples please contact our Specification Sales Department.

4 Client Expectations

Armourcoat will attempt the best repair possible using the materials and tools at disposal. However we cannot guarantee a completely invisible repair or colour match to the original.

Examples of repair work can be seen below:

