# EMER<sup>®</sup> MAINTENANCE GUIDE

Protecting Australian buildings for over 50 years, Emer offers complete waterproofing, decorative and protective coating system solutions for commercial and residential use.

#### Inspection

All joint sealants should be regularly checked to ensure no cracking is evident allowing water ingress. Particular attention should be given to critical areas and where different substrates meet i.e. above door openings & windows, where walls meet soffit lines and where fixings have been attached to walls. Any deteriorated or damaged sealant should be removed and replaced as soon as it is apparent. Refer to product Technical Data Sheets and specifications for full details.

Waterproofing membranes where visible should have regular inspections carried out for any signs of deterioration. An inspection and maintenance schedule should be determined in accordance with AS4654.2 2012. Before affecting any system repair ensure the underlying cause has been identified and addressed. Any necessary repairs or maintenance should be carried out promptly by a suitably qualified contractor.

Exterior facade coatings should be inspected on a regular basis and any damage identified should be repaired or replaced as appropriate.

All observations made and actions taken should be recorded, including taking photographs. In particular, the date of first detection, together with the severity, location and percentage of the area affected should be noted.

## Cleaning

Cleaning of exterior facade coatings should be done using a neutral pH cleaner or detergent and applied to the surface using a soft bristle broom. Rinse off thoroughly with clean water under a low pressure spray. In coastal areas more regular cleaning may be required to prevent the build-up of salt contamination, every 6 months is recommended.

## Repairs

Before undertaking any repairs ensure the underlying cause has been identified and addressed. Any necessary repairs or maintenance should be carried out promptly by a suitably qualified contractor.

#### Recoating

Maintaining the visual appearance and weather proofing performance of the building facade, the Emer-Clad system should be refreshed every 10 years. Clean the surface with pH neutral detergent, rinse with clean water and allow to dry. A primer is not normally required if the existing Emer-Clad coating is sound and in good condition. Refer to the product Technical Data Sheet and system specifications for full details.

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