

DuPont™ Thermax™ Wall System

Installation Procedures

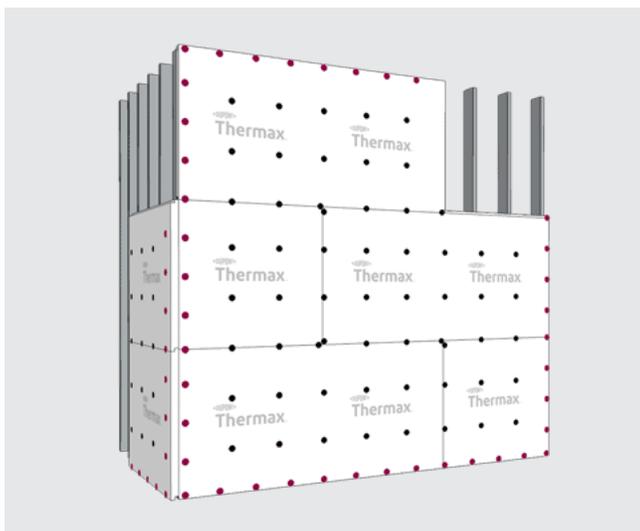
SEQUENCING OVERVIEW

Installation of the DuPont™ Thermax™ Wall System can begin once the structural steel and exterior wall steel studs have been installed and braced.

By using the all-steel bracing design, a layer of exterior gypsum drywall will not be necessary so the drywall or masonry contractor can begin immediately installing boards of DuPont™ Thermax™ XARMOR™ (ci) Exterior Insulation* directly on the exterior of the steel studs (insulation can be left exposed for 180 days). As the contractor applies additional boards, DuPont™ LiquidArmor™ Flashing and Sealant is adhered to adjoining board joints and at pre-determined thru-wall penetrations. Windows and other openings are flashed following the removal of excess Thermax™ XARMOR™ (ci) in the window opening areas of the envelope.

With the building closed in, the structure has an insulated and weatherized envelope, which will allow for work to progress quickly on the interior of the structure. By completing this step, a building can begin to be conditioned, which can speed up the work of other trades beyond the exterior walls.

Figure 1: Fastening Pattern for Thermax™ XARMOR™ (ci) Exterior Insulation



8' Thermax XARMOR™ (ci) Board with 16" o.c. Stud Spacing

Once sections of insulation boards and seam treatment are in place, a contractor can begin installing the cladding attachment.

If any of the attachments are near a board joint, cover the jointed area with LiquidArmor™ Flashing and Sealant before installing the cladding attachment.

See Table 1 and respective figures for recommended cladding attachment methods.

Be sure to install any necessary floor-line firestop in the stud cavity. As an optional component, DuPont-approved spray foam can now be applied in the stud cavity, covering the fire-stop (if installed) back to the floor edge to complete the air barrier, to further seal and insulate the envelope. DuPont-approved spray foam should be applied after the cladding attachment is in place.

This system of products provides scheduling overlaps that can save significant time on a project, minimizing negative impacts and providing an opportunity for multiple contractors to engage in finishing the exterior wall throughout the project.

CONTINUOUS INSULATION/DRAINAGE PLANE

Installation Recommendations

1. With printed side facing to the exterior, install Thermax™ XARMOR™ (ci) Exterior Insulation horizontally with the shiplap edge up (for boards that contact the steel studs).
2. Use maximum board lengths to minimize number of joints. Locate edge joints parallel to and on framing flange. Center end joints over supports. Common practice is to stagger but it is not required.
3. Anchor to exterior face of exterior metal stud wall framing with appropriate fastener. Abut insulation boards tightly together around openings and penetrations.

- As depicted in Figure 1, fasten boards of **DuPont™ Thermax™ XARMOR™ (ci)** to each support with fasteners spaced 12" o.c. at perimeter of wall and 16" o.c. in the field using TRUFAST® Walls (formerly Rodenhouse Inc.) Thermal-Grip® Fasteners or other DuPont approved fastener. Set back perimeter fasteners 3/8" from board edges and ends. One approved fastener/washer can be placed to bridge a maximum of two board edges. Drive fasteners to bear washer tight and flush with surface of insulated sheathing.
- For optimum performance and to create a water-resistive barrier, seal all end and edge joints, and thru-wall penetrations, such as window and door openings, with **DuPont™ LiquidArmor™ Flashing and Sealant**. Visit our website at building.dupont.com to download detailed installation guides for each of our flashing options.
- It is critical to apply the correct thickness and width of **LiquidArmor™ Flashing and Sealant** centered over the insulation board joints:
 - **LiquidArmor™ QS Flashing and Sealant:** 50+/-5 wet mil, 2" min.
 - **LiquidArmor™ LT Flashing and Sealant:** 30+/-5 wet mil, 1" min.
 - **LiquidArmor™ CM Flashing and Sealant:** 50+/-5 wet mil, 2" min.

Fasteners and washers along the board joints should also be completely covered with **LiquidArmor™ Flashing and Sealant**. Please refer to **Installation Procedures for LiquidArmor™ Flashing and Sealant** for additional requirements for each of the LiquidArmor™ Flashing and Sealant options.

- Thermax™ XARMOR™ (ci)** boards should be properly repaired if damaged during installation. Repairs may include applying flashing over a small hole or filling a large hole with a piece of the insulation board and then sealing with flashing.
- Once sections of insulation boards and flashing are in place, a contractor can begin installing the cladding attachment. See Table 1 for attachment options and how to seal.
- If necessary due to stud placement, the floor line fire-stop should already be installed. Finally, **DuPont-approved spray foam** can be applied to the interior of the stud cavity by a qualified SPF applicator.
- Visit www.thermaxwallssystem.com for CAD details, Tech Solution 513.0: Thermax™ Wall System, and other technical resources.

TABLE 1: Thermax™ Wall System Sealing Options Summary

	Attachment Type	LiquidArmor™ QS* Flashing and Sealant	LiquidArmor™ LT* Flashing and Sealant	LiquidArmor™ CM* Flashing and Sealant
Figure 2	Z-Girt, Horizontal (surface mounted)	Cured ⁽¹⁾ & on fasteners ⁽³⁾	Wet ⁽²⁾ or cured ⁽¹⁾ & on fasteners ⁽³⁾	Cured ⁽¹⁾ & on fasteners ⁽³⁾
Figure 3	Z-Girt, Vertical (surface mounted)	Cured ⁽¹⁾ & on fasteners ⁽³⁾	Wet ⁽²⁾ or cured ⁽¹⁾ & on fasteners ⁽³⁾	Cured ⁽¹⁾ & on fasteners ⁽³⁾
Figure 4	Hat Channel, Horizontal	Cured ⁽¹⁾ & on fasteners ⁽³⁾	Wet ⁽²⁾ & on fasteners ⁽³⁾	Cured ⁽¹⁾ & on fasteners ⁽³⁾
Figure 5	Hat Channel, Vertical	Cured ⁽¹⁾ & on fasteners ⁽³⁾	Wet ⁽²⁾ & on fasteners	Cured ⁽¹⁾ & on fasteners ⁽³⁾
Figure 6a	Over Flat Strap	Continuous over furring	Continuous over furring	Continuous over furring
Figure 6b	Under Flat Strap	Cured ⁽¹⁾ & on fasteners ⁽³⁾	Wet ⁽²⁾ & on fasteners	Contact us
Figure 7	Wood Furring	Cured ⁽¹⁾ & on fasteners ⁽³⁾	Wet ⁽²⁾ & on fasteners	Contact us
Figure 8a & 8b	Knight Wall HCI™⁽⁴⁾	Cured ⁽¹⁾ & on fasteners ⁽³⁾	Wet dipped screws ⁽³⁾	Contact us
Figure 9	Knight Wall CI™⁽⁴⁾	Contact us	Wet dipped screws ⁽³⁾	Contact us

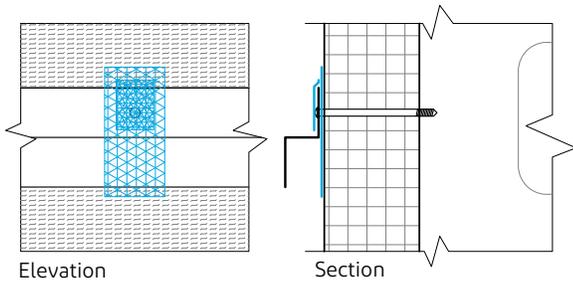
⁽¹⁾ "Cured" - Flashing is applied along the stud lines and cured at least 24 hours prior to fastening cladding attachment. This can be done at the same time the insulation board joints are sealed.

⁽²⁾ "Wet" - Flashing is wet applied under the attachment system. This can be applied directly to the attachment system before setting it and fastening to the wall.

⁽³⁾ "on Fasteners" - Flashing is wet applied to each cladding attachment fastener after cladding attachment is fastened to the wall.

⁽⁴⁾ Knight Wall attachments are registered and trademarked by Knight Wall Systems. Follow all manufacturer installation guidelines.

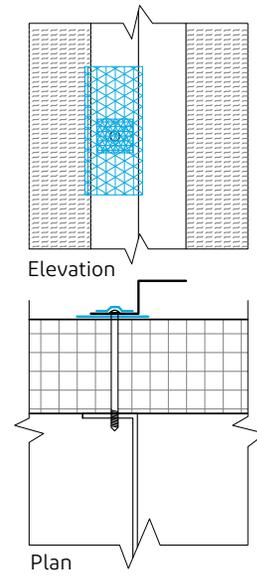
Figure 2: DuPont™ LiquidArmor™ Flashing and Sealant with Horizontal Z-Girt



The sample detail above illustrates DuPont™ LiquidArmor™ Flashing and Sealant applied underneath horizontal Z-girt and over fasteners. Options include:

- DuPont™ LiquidArmor™ **QS** (cured)
- DuPont™ LiquidArmor™ **LT** (wet)
- DuPont™ LiquidArmor™ **CM** (cured)

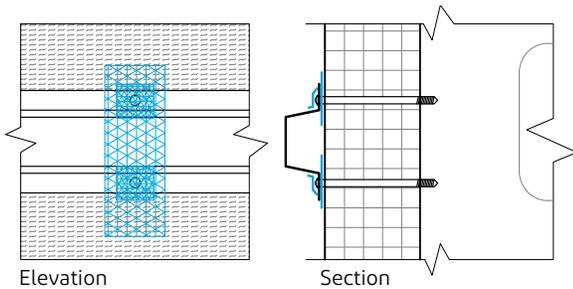
Figure 3: DuPont™ LiquidArmor™ Flashing and Sealant with Vertical Z-Girt



The sample detail above illustrates DuPont™ LiquidArmor™ Flashing and Sealant applied underneath vertical Z-Girt and over fasteners. Options include:

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- DuPont™ LiquidArmor™ **LT** (wet or cured)
- DuPont™ LiquidArmor™ **CM** (cured)

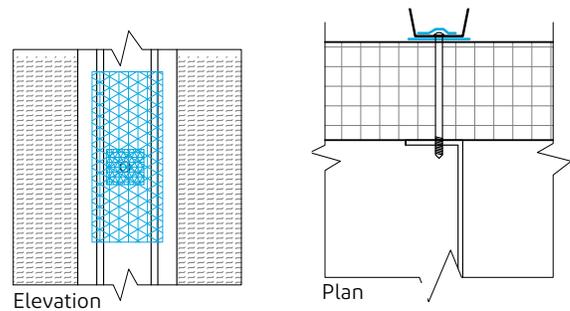
Figure 4: DuPont™ LiquidArmor™ Flashing and Sealant with Horizontal Hat Channel



The sample detail above illustrates DuPont™ LiquidArmor™ Flashing and Sealant applied underneath horizontal Hat Channel and over fasteners. Options include:

- DuPont™ LiquidArmor™ **QS** (cured)
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- DuPont™ LiquidArmor™ **CM** (cured)

Figure 5: DuPont™ LiquidArmor™ Flashing and Sealant with Vertical Hat Channel

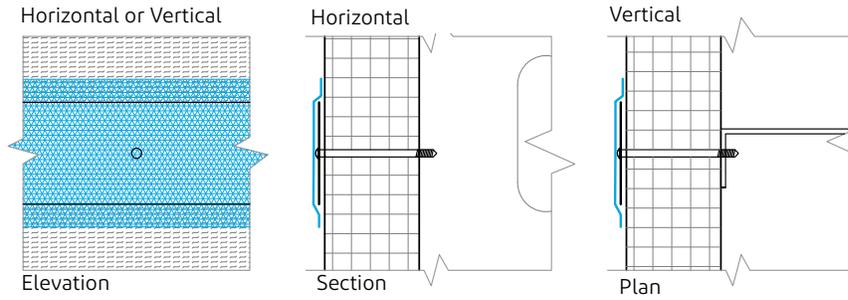


The sample detail above illustrates DuPont™ LiquidArmor™ Flashing and Sealant applied underneath vertical Hat Channel and over fasteners. Options include:

- DuPont™ LiquidArmor™ **QS** (cured)
- DuPont™ LiquidArmor™ **LT** (wet or cured)
- DuPont™ LiquidArmor™ **CM** (cured)

Figure 6: DuPont™ LiquidArmor™ Flashing and Sealant with Flat Strap

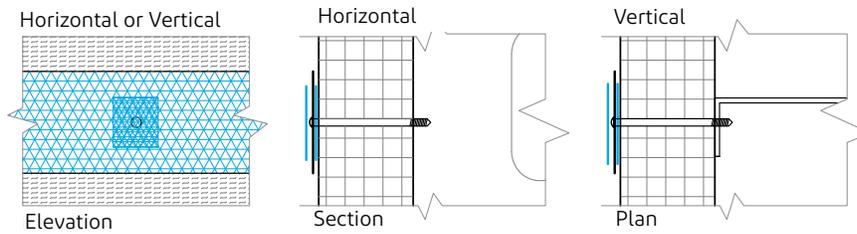
Figure 6a:
Seal Over Flat Strap



The sample detail above illustrates DuPont™ LiquidArmor™ Flashing and Sealant applied over flat strap furring. Options include:

- DuPont™ LiquidArmor™ QS
- DuPont™ LiquidArmor™ LT
- DuPont™ LiquidArmor™ CM

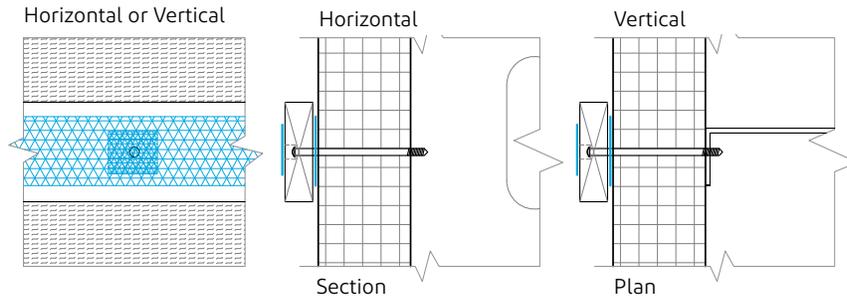
Figure 6b:
Seal Under Flat Strap
and Over Fasteners



The sample detail above illustrates DuPont™ LiquidArmor™ Flashing and Sealant applied underneath flat strap furring and over fasteners. Options include:

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- DuPont™ LiquidArmor™ LT (wet)

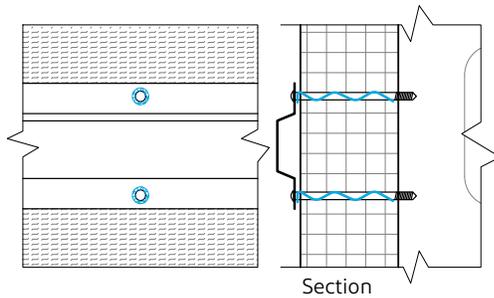
Figure 7: DuPont™ LiquidArmor™ Flashing and Sealant on Wood Furring



The sample detail above illustrates DuPont™ LiquidArmor™ Flashing and Sealant applied underneath wood furring and over fasteners. Options include:

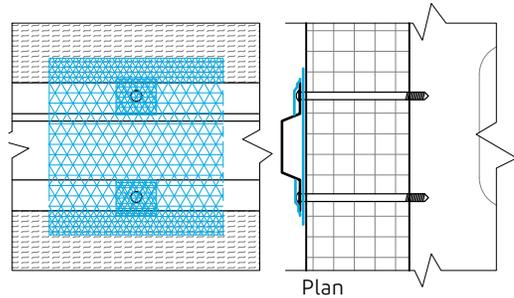
- DuPont™ LiquidArmor™ QS (cured)
- DuPont™ LiquidArmor™ LT (wet)

Figure 8a: DuPont™ LiquidArmor™ Flashing and Sealant with Knight HCI™



The sample detail above illustrates DuPont™ LiquidArmor™ LT Flashing and Sealant wet dipped screws with Knight HCI™. Visit manufacturer website for installation instructions.

Figure 8b: DuPont™ LiquidArmor™ Flashing and Sealant with Knight HCI™

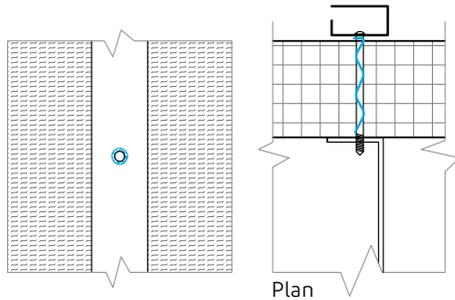


The sample detail above illustrates DuPont™ LiquidArmor™ Flashing and Sealant applied underneath Knight HCI™ and over fasteners. Options include:

- DuPont™ LiquidArmor™ QS (cured)

Visit manufacturer website for installation instructions.

Figure 9: DuPont™ LiquidArmor™ Flashing and Sealant with Knight CI®



The sample detail above illustrates DuPont™ LiquidArmor™ LT Flashing and Sealant wet dipped screws with Knight CI®. Visit manufacturer website for installation instructions.



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