

## GLOSS RECOMMENDATIONS

### EXTERIOR

	FLAT	VELVET	SATIN/EGGSHELL	LOW-GLOSS	SEMI-GLOSS	GLOSS	HIGH GLOSS
<b>MAIN BODY</b>							
Stucco, Masonry & Brick	●	●	●	○	○	○	○
Wood Siding	●	●	●	○	○	○	○
Aluminum & Vinyl Siding	●	●	●	○	○	○	○
<b>ACCENT, TRIM &amp; ACCESSORIES</b>							
Doors & Windows	○	○	●	●	●	●	●
Soffit, Fascia & Eaves	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Wood Fences	●	●	○	○	○	○	○
Shutters	○	○	●	●	●	●	●
Garage Doors & Gutters	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Metal Gates	○	○	●	●	●	●	●

### INTERIOR

	FLAT	VELVET	SATIN/EGGSHELL	LOW-GLOSS	SEMI-GLOSS	GLOSS	HIGH GLOSS
<b>WALLS - RESIDENTIAL</b>							
Family Room	●	●	●	○	○	○	○
Living Room	●	●	●	○	○	○	○
Dining Room	●	●	●	●	○	○	○
Bedroom	●	●	●	○	○	○	○
Kids' Room	○	●	●	●	○	○	○
Kitchen & Bath	○	○	○	●	●	●	●
Hallways	●	●	●	●	○	○	○
Ceiling	●	●	●	○	○	○	○
Office	●	●	●	○	○	○	○
Doors & Windows	○	○	○	●	●	●	●
Shutters	○	○	○	●	●	●	●
Molding	○	○	○	●	●	●	●

**FLAT** paints have the least amount of gloss so they help conceal surface imperfections better than other finishes and are ideal for walls that are rough or dented. They also touch-up better, which makes FLAT paint an ideal choice for family rooms, living rooms, dining rooms and bedrooms. FLAT paints are also a good choice for ceilings because of their low reflectivity. Stains can be difficult to remove from FLAT finishes, so it's best to use FLAT paints in areas that do not experience a lot of traffic.

**VELVET** paints resemble FLAT paints when viewed head on, but show a slight gloss when viewed at an angle. This slightly higher gloss provides for a more washable/scrubbable surface. These paints are ideal for areas with high traffic, such as hallways and kid's rooms.

**SATIN/EGGSHELL** paints are slightly glossier than VELVET paints, conveying a greater warmth and depth to surfaces than FLAT paints. SATIN/EGGSHELL paint finishes also tend to resist stains better than FLAT or VELVET paints, although not as well as SEMI-GLOSS and HIGH GLOSS paints. Like VELVET paints, the SATIN/EGGSHELL paint finishes are ideal for areas with traffic, such as dining rooms or a kid's room.

**LOW-GLOSS** paints are similar to SATIN/EGGSHELL paints, but have a slightly higher gloss. They are a good choice for areas where some gloss is desired,

but good cleaning properties are also necessary, such as, kitchens, laundry rooms and bathrooms. Their slightly glossy appearance, however, tends to highlight surface imperfections more than FLAT paints.

**SEMI-GLOSS** paints have a slightly glossy appearance but are less reflective than GLOSS paints. They offer good stain resistance, are easy to clean, and are most often used in rooms requiring frequent scrubbing, such as kitchens and bathrooms. SEMI-GLOSS paint finish is also a good alternative to GLOSS paints for use on windows, trim, cabinets and doors.

**GLOSS** paints have a highly reflective appearance imparting a slick, contemporary look. They are tough, durable and stain-resistant. GLOSS paints are easier to clean than lower GLOSS paints and are typically used in kitchens, bathrooms and on doors and cabinets exposed to fingerprints and grime. Because of its high reflection, GLOSS paint can highlight surface imperfections.

**HIGH GLOSS** paints have the highest reflective appearance... They are the toughest, most durable and most stain resistant of all finishes. HIGH GLOSS paints are the easiest to clean and are typically used on doors and cabinets exposed to dirt and oil and can also be used for trim and some woodwork. HIGH GLOSS paint will emphasize surface imperfections.