



# **Installation Instructions**

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## Storage, Handling, and Installation Precaution Recommendations

- 1.1 When stored outdoors, all materials should be protected from exposure to direct sunlight using an opaque light-colored tarp or the original packaging. Unwrapped materials should be carefully rewrapped.
- 1.2 WARNING: Progressive Foam Technologies, Inc. (PFT) insulating sheathing and fanfold products are treated with a flame retardant; however, all foam plastic insulation will ignite if exposed to a heat source of sufficient heat and intensity. Protect foam plastic insulation from exposure to open flame or other ignition sources during shipment, storage, and installation.
- 1.3 Installation Guidelines: To protect PROBOARD® Premium products once installed and to ensure they return to their original dimensions after thermal expansion, follow these guidelines until cladding is installed over PROBOARD:
  - 1.3.1 Eliminate or cover any surfaces reflecting sunlight onto PROBOARD Premium products or shield the affected areas.
  - 1.3.2 If PROBOARD remains exposed on the wall for over 60 days, cover it.

    Note: Faded printing on PROBOARD laminates is normal and does not affect their performance.
  - 1.3.3 Make sure all butt joints are tightly fitted for the highest performance achievement.

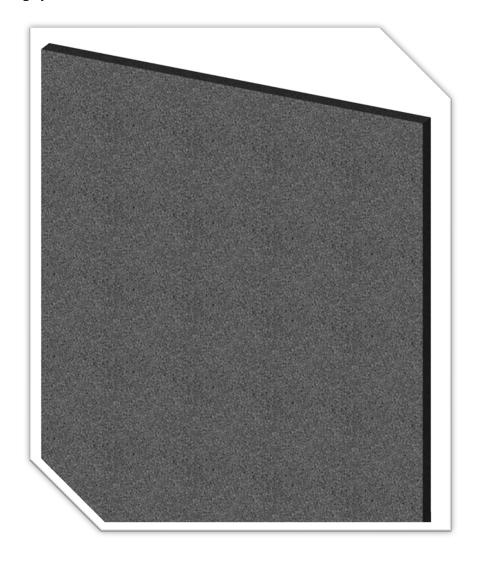
#### 2.0 Useful Tools and Materials

- 2.1 Tape and Flashing:
  - 2.1.1 For repairs and air infiltration reduction applications use 3M™ 8777 Flashing and Seam Tape
- 2.2 Approved Fastener Types
  - 2.2.1 Button Cap Nails
  - 2.2.2 Button Cap Staples
  - 2.2.3 Screws and Washers
  - 2.2.4 Roofing Nails
- 2.3 Other Tools
  - 2.3.1 Tape Measure
  - 2.3.2 Straight Edge
  - 2.3.3 Utility Knife
  - 2.3.4 Cordless Drill
  - 2.3.5 Compatible Construction Adhesives



# 3.0 PROBOARD® CORE™ Premium Products provide several enhanced benefits

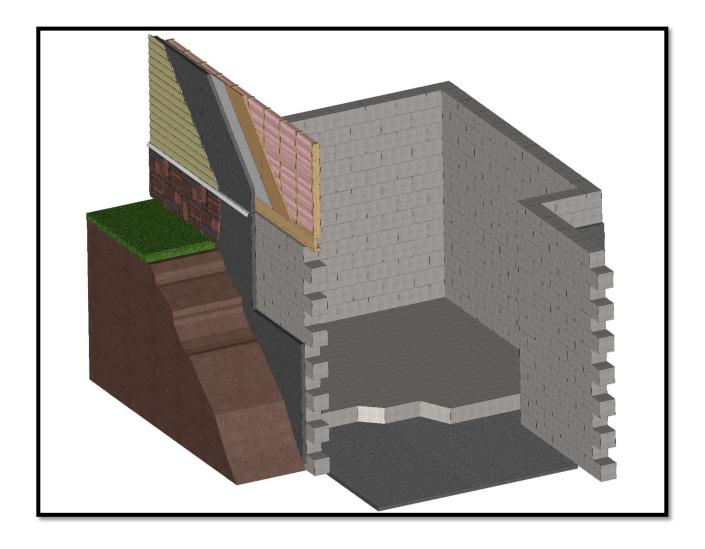
- 3.1 PROBOARD® CORE™ products with Graphite Polystyrene (GPS) deliver R5 per nominal inch
- 3.2 Versatile products to meet any application needs
- 3.3 Multiple densities and compression resistance options
- 3.4 Highly breathable





# 4.0 PROBOARD® CORE™ is suitable for various construction applications

This ranges from Above-grade to Below-Slab applications in Residential, Multi-Family, Commercial, and even Industrial Buildings all while providing Code-approved, High-Quality products for building needs.



#### 5.0 Installation Instructions: PROBOARD® CORE™ for

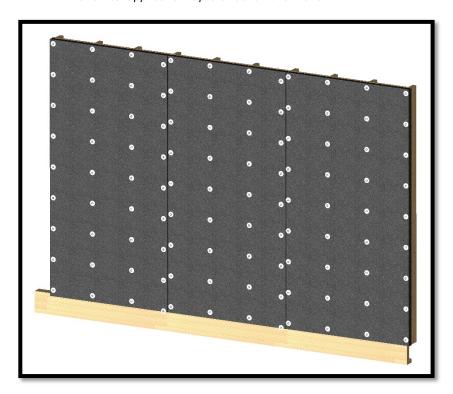
### **Application Above Grade**

The below instructions are for a typical installation above grade. PROBOARD CORE is designed to be used in conjunction with standard house wrap.

Note\* PROBOARD® CORE™ is designed for High-Performance Graphite Polystyrene [GPS] providing maximum R-Value thermal performance for any job.

- 5.1 Fasten the PROBOARD® CORE™ to the wall.
  - 5.1.1 PROBOARD® CORE™ is to be fastened to the wall substrate such as OSB or Plywood or to the framing members such as wood sheathing, wood, or steel studs.
  - 5.1.2 Follow the local building codes for the fastening types, penetration depths, or fastening schedule. For a general guideline see section 8.0 FASTENER TYPES for more details.
  - 5.1.3 Product can be installed in the Horizontal or Vertical orientation.

    \*The vertical application is preferred for taller walls.



# 6.0 Installation Instructions: PROBOARD® CORE™ Below Slab [vapor barrier]

The instructions below are for a typical below-slab insulation application in use with PROBOARD CORE. Consult your local building codes and inspectors for approved product applications and requirements for vapor barriers.

- 6.1 Prepare the base material [rock, gravel, soil, etc.] to be smooth and level.
- 6.2 Install the insulation board on the level surface. Figure 1
- 6.3 PROBOARD CORE is not a Vapor Barrier and must be used with an approved product
  - 6.3.1.1 Consult your local building codes and specifications regarding approved vapor barrier materials and applications.
  - 6.3.1.2 Note that the vapor barrier placement [beneath or above PROBOARD CORE] may differ depending on local jurisdictions.

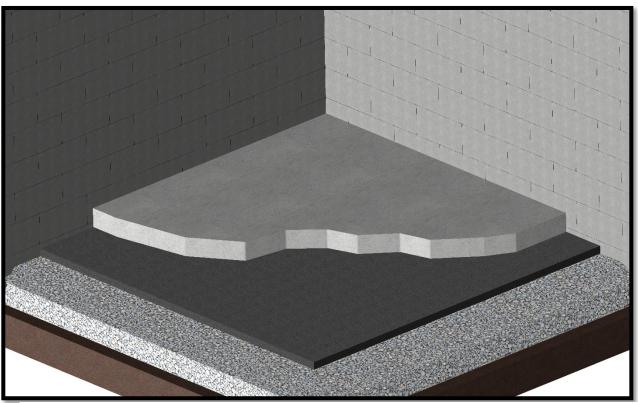


Figure 1 Illustration does not depict a Vapor Barrier

# 7.0 Installation Instructions: PROBOARD® CORE™ Below Grade Perimeter Foundation

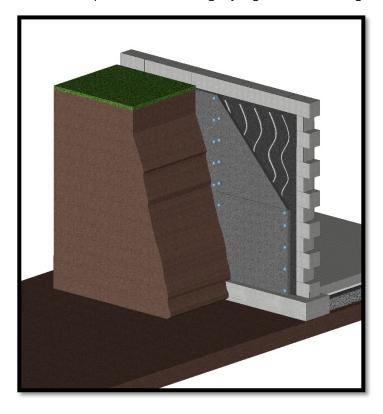
The instructions below are for a typical below-grade perimeter foundation insulation application for use with PROBOARD CORE. Before using with a below-grade foundation covering you should consult your local building codes and inspectors for approved product applications and requirements. Most applications require a waterproofing treatment before installation of the insulation boards.

#### 7.1 Preparing the foundation

- 7.1.1 Remove any debris that could prevent the insulation from laying against the wall.
- 7.1.2 Clear away rock or soil from the surface and surrounding areas.
- 7.1.3 Ensure that the waterproofing material is dry before installation of sheathing boards.

#### 7.2 Installing PROBOARD

- 7.2.1 Install the PROBOARD Material onto the foundation wall
  - 7.2.1.1 Can be used with approved weather-resistant construction adhesives or with fasteners that will hold the product in place before the backfill occurs.
- 7.2.2 Ensure the product is butted tightly together maximizing the intended R-Value.

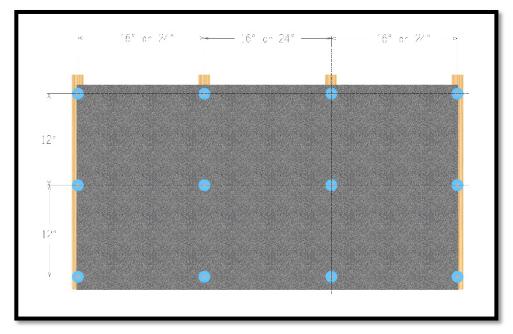




# 8.0 **Installation Instructions:** Fastener Types and Nailing Patterns

Fasteners with washers are recommended to ensure maximum security of the wall substrate.

- 8.1 Fastener Types Include but not limited to:
  - Button Cap or Plastic Cap Nails
  - Roofing Nails with at least ½" Heads
  - Button Cap or Plastic Cap Staples
  - Wood Screws with Metal Roofing Washers
  - Masonry, Concrete, or anchor screws for masonry applications
  - Weather Resistive Construction Adhesives
- 8.2 PROBOARD Nailing Patterns: The instructions below are the guidelines for installing PROBOARD Products over sheathing and vertical stud wall cavities.
  - 8.2.1 See local building codes for required fastener lengths and stud penetration details.
  - 8.2.2 Fastener spacing: For best wind-load resistance performance or prolonged exposure before final cladding application follow the below fastening schedule.
    - 8.2.2.1 Going up the wall [vertical application] space the fasteners a minimum of 12" on center [OC] spacing.
    - 8.2.2.2 Going across the wall [horizontal application] use the stud reference guidelines on the PROBOARD® Product to fasten directly into the studs [Note\* studs may be spaced at 16" or 24" OC].





#### 9.0 Warranty

Products covered by this Warranty include PROBOARD® CORE™. We warrant that the actual thermal resistance of your Insulation will not vary by more than 5% from the system "R"-value printed on the label. "R"-value refers to resistance to heat flow. The higher the "R"-value, the greater the insulation power. We warrant that the structural integrity of your insulation will remain intact for the lifetime of your home. Because it does not absorb or retain water, it is not affected by freeze-thaw cycles and will not deteriorate or break down over time. Our insulation also contains PREVENTOL® TM EPS, a systemic insecticide that protects the foam from termite damage. We warrant that the permeability of your siding insulation will maintain its permeability rating throughout the life of the product. Permeability refers to resistance to the movement of water vapor. Both real-life experience and third-party testing have conclusively demonstrated that when properly installed, Progressive Foam insulation will not absorb more than 3% moisture OR CONTRIBUTE TO WATER OR MOISTURE DAMAGE IN ANY WAY. In the event that your siding insulation is proven to have not performed in accordance with this Warranty, and all appropriate steps outlined in this Warranty have been taken to validate your claim, we will: 1. Deliver to you an equivalent quantity of insulation. Progressive Foam Technologies, Inc. will pay for material and labor to replace your non-performing insulation (we will not replace any damaged exterior siding or cladding); OR 2. If we are unable to provide replacement insulation, or if you agree with us to accept a refund, we will refund to you the original purchase price of the non-performing insulation. Claim validation - the testing process We require that the "R"-value testing of your siding insulation and siding samples to be done according to the required ASTM test method for that product type. The permeability testing of your siding insulation and siding samples shall be done according to ASTM Test Method E96. The ASTM Test Method E96 is a permeability testing method that has been approved by the United States government. In the event that one or both of these test methods is unavailable, the samples shall be tested according to the closest equivalent test method available, which has been approved by us.

This Limited Lifetime Warranty covers the insulation for as long as you or the subsequent owner lives in or owns the home or building where the insulation product is installed.



### 10.0 Disclaimer and Limitation of Liability

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