

PROMATECT XS: DISTRIBUTOR FAQs

What is the difference between plasterboard encasements and PROMATECT®-XS encasements?

Plasterboard encasements require metal framing components, clips and coverstrips. PROMATECT®-XS encasements are a direct fix solution minimising framing requirements, meaning a much faster method of installation.

How are PROMATECT®-XS encasements built?

PROMATECT®-XS boards are staple fixed to each other, eliminating the need for clips and framing elements. A Step-by-Step installation guide can be found in the [PROMATECT®-XS brochure](#).

What fixings and additional framing are required?

- For board to board fixings: Chisel point staples (35mm for 15mm boards and 50mm for 20mm boards)
- For board to metal framing fixings: Siniat self tapping screws
- Siniat metal angle is the only framing component required for beam encasements. Column encasements require no extra framing components.

Where can I get staple guns from?

Any suitable gas powered or pneumatic staple gun that can fire the specified chisel point staples can be used. Senco, Tjep, Everwin and Paslode are all manufacturers.

How do I order PROMATECT®-XS?

The way you order hasn't changed. For placing orders and delivery enquiries 0800 373 636 (Select Option 1)
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How is PROMATECT®- XS stored and what exposure can it withstand?

- Boards should be stored and stacked on covered and dry, level ground. The stacked boards must be entirely covered while stored, for protection from inclement weather.
- When boards are installed as column or beam encasements, it can be left exposed for up to 6 months*

*PROMATECT®-XS is resistant to the effects of moisture and will not physically deteriorate when used in damp and humid conditions. It can be installed up to 6 months before the building is weathertight. The board should not be subject to water run-off from slabs or other parts of the building. The board should not be in contact with standing water. Where the board is located on the perimeter of the building and sits proud of the building line, exposed surfaces should be given additional weather protection using a breather membrane.

Where do I find literature and is training available?

Literature including brochure, technical datasheet, Declaration of Performance, Environmental Product declaration and Safety datasheet can be found on the [Siniat website](https://www.siniat.co.uk). There are dedicated training slots at our Bristol centre. Email etex.bristol.trainingcenter@etexgroup.com

How does a beam or column interface with a partition?

Specific build-up details and interface methods can be found in the PROMATECT®-XS brochure. We have carried out bespoke testing on interfaces of partitions with beam and columns. These details also come with a combined Etex Warranty.

How do you finish PROMATECT®- XS?

PROMATECT®- XS can be left unfinished. If a plaster or paint finish is required, the surface may need sealing or priming. Details for suitable preparation methods can be found in the PROMATECT®-XS brochure.

For any other queries on structural steel protection or to see how we could help, speak to the experts. Siniat for simplified encasement systems or Promat for complex and bespoke solutions.

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