

Undercoated Baltic Pine Weatherboards

Baltic Weatherboards are under Australian Standard AS 4785.1---2002
SECTION 7 CLADDING, FASCIA AND BARGEBOARDS

Storage on Site

Should be a in a dry environment. If the boards get wet, the moisture content will increase. This could create a scenario where the boards will shrink after installation.

Prior to Installation

Ensure adequate flashings are in place to keep moisture away from the boards.

This timber is not naturally durable, therefore care should be taken to seal the boards before installation. This can be done by preferably applying a wood preservative to the end grain or a quality wood primer also to the end grain.

In case of shrinkage after installation it is advisable to paint the boards with the first finishing coat before installing the boards. Be aware dark coloured paint can increase shrinkage.

Use a vapour permeable building paper or breather type insulation in accordance with the building regulations.

During & Post Installation

Fix the boards using 50 mil hot dipped galvanised bulletin head nails on the studs at 450 mm centres. If close to a marine environment stainless steel fixing pin will be necessary.

To avoid splitting, if shrinkage takes place, ensure the nails do not puncture the lapped board underneath.

Apply the final finishing coat to all exposed surfaces.

Maintenance

Regular inspections are advised to ensure moisture does not penetrate the paint film. If this occurs and left without attention, the paint film locks the moisture in, accelerating wood rot.