

Drywall Contractors and Plasterers Introduction and Site Check List

Storage. USG Powerscape® Fiberock® interior linings must be stored flat on a flat surface, protected from the rain and moisture, and with moisture separation from concrete floors.

Handling. USG Powerscape linings must be lifted clear of, not dragged across the stack.

Sizing. USG Powerscape linings can be **multi-scored and snapped**, cut with a handsaw, or with a standard power saw (tungsten blade) fitted to a dust extractor unit. Snapper shears can be used for all linings except USG Powerscape Aqua-Tough™ VHI.

Dust. Use regular dust masks and extraction units for power tools as needed. Nuisance dust only, no carcinogenic crystalline silica dust health risk.

Tapers. **All sheets (except 10mm) come with factory formed side tapers.** End tapers and additional side tapers to cut edges, can be easily formed on site if required. Form tapers with sandpaper, or electric plane (tungsten blades) fitted to dust extraction unit.

Fixing. **Pre-drilling for fixings is not required. Fixings heads will bed into the lining itself.** Fix to timber with screws, nails or staples (nail guns can be used). Fix to steel with screws.

Mains power or high voltage screw guns to be used.

Jointing. Use paper tape, setting compound followed by topping compound **in the same manner as jointing plasterboard.** Tapers are wider and deeper than plasterboard to increase joint strength.

Painting. Choose a paint system to deliver the desired surface properties. Use abrasion resistant coatings if required. The normal process is to first apply one sealer coat. Complete any remaining patches, and then seal these. Then apply two finishing coats. As with plasterboard, for the best results, back roll with a dry roller immediately after the first top coat, to generate a uniform slight texture.

Fire & Sound. USG Powerscape® fire & sound rated systems must be built in strict accordance to the relevant USG Powerscape® system specification single page. USG Powerscape® has selected system specification pages, and the full range can be easily downloaded at www.powerscape.com.au from the literature resources page, wall specification section. Or call 1800 226 215 for the pages you require.

More detailed installation information is available, and should be consulted as follows;

- in USG Powerscape Fiberock catalogue
- on the web www.powerscape.com.au, in the wall & ceiling lining page, installation section.

Call 1800 226 215 for further information and technical assistance as required.