



ToughRock® Wallworks Guide

Your Guide to Planning, Applying, Installing, Finishing and
Repairing Your Walls and Ceilings with ToughRock Gypsum Board



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Gypsum

1. Sketch

A little planning before the job begins can save you a lot of time and materials later on.

- Sketch out the area you want to cover with gypsum board. Use the sketch as a guide to determine how much wallboard you'll need.
- Remember to plan for the board to be installed across (perpendicular to) joists and/or studs.
- Try to avoid end joints wherever possible. To do that, you may want to buy 12' (3,658 mm) gypsum board, instead of 8' (2,438 mm), depending on your room size.
- If end joints can't be avoided, stagger them so they all don't fall at one end of the room.

Your gypsum board should be stored flat, indoors, away from moisture and temperature extremes, until you're ready to use it. As soon as possible after joint treatment is thoroughly dry, all surfaces should be sealed or primed with a vinyl or oil base primer/sealer.

2. Estimate

Once you've determined how much wallboard you'll need, you can use the charts on the next page to estimate for nails, joint compound and tape.

If you choose the adhesive/nail-on method for wall installation (see installation instructions), you'll also need some gypsum board adhesive. Use 8 quart-sized (7.6 liters) tubes for each 1,000 sq. ft. (93 m²) of wallboard (1 tube to 4, 4' x 8' [1,220 mm x 2,438 mm] sheets; 1 tube to 2½, 4' x 12' [1,220 mm x 3,658 mm] sheets).

Note: If you're applying wallboard to masonry walls, see "Masonry" section for additional materials.

How Much Board Do You Need?

First, figure out the wall and ceiling areas.
Width of the room x Length of the room = Ceiling area
(Width + Length) x 2 x Height of the room = Wall area

For example: a 12' x 16' x 8' (3,658 mm x 4,877 mm x 2,438 mm) room has a wall/ceiling area of 640 sq. ft. (59 m²) (Ceiling area: 12 x 16 = 192; Wall area: (12 + 16) x 2 x 8 = 448; 192 + 448 = 640.)

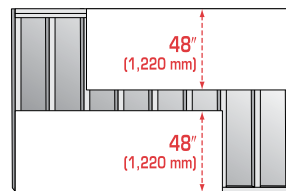
Look at the Room Measurement Table for a quick reference. Measure door and windows area and subtract their square footage from the total square footage to obtain net room area. Then refer to the Panel Coverage Table to locate the number of wallboard panels required for the room. Be sure to allow 10% to 15% overage for cutting and piecing.

Room Measurement Table

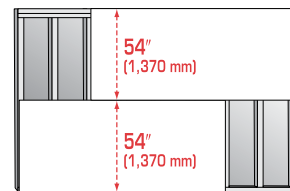
	4'	5'	6'	7'	8'	9'	10'	11'	12'	13'	14'	15'	16'
8'	224	248	272	296	320	334	368	392	416	440	464	488	512
9'	244	269	294	319	344	369	394	419	444	469	494	519	544
10'	264	290	316	342	368	394	420	446	472	498	524	550	576
11'	284	311	338	365	392	419	446	473	500	527	554	581	608
12'	304	332	360	388	416	444	472	500	528	556	584	612	640
13'	324	353	382	411	440	469	498	527	556	585	614	643	672
14'	344	374	404	434	464	494	524	554	584	614	644	674	704
15'	364	395	426	457	488	519	550	581	612	643	674	705	736
16'	384	416	448	480	512	544	576	608	640	672	704	736	768

Panel Coverage Table (in sq. ft. of wall area)

	1 Panel	2 Panels	3 Panels	4 Panels	5 Panels	6 Panels
4' x 8' Panel	32	64	96	128	160	192
4' x 9' Panel	36	72	108	144	180	216
4' x 10' Panel	40	80	120	160	200	240
4' x 12' Panel	48	96	144	192	240	288
4' x 14' Panel	56	112	168	224	280	336
4' x 16' Panel	64	128	192	256	320	384



48" (1,220 mm) wide
ToughRock® Gypsum Board;
9' (2,743 mm) high framing



54" (1,370 mm) wide
ToughRock® Stretch 54" Gypsum Board;
9' (2,743 mm) high framing

Besides standard 4' (1,220 mm) widths, ToughRock® Stretch 54" gypsum board is also available in a 54" (1,370 mm) width that eliminates the need for gap filler boards in horizontal applications when walls are 9' (2,743 mm) high (see illustration). Using ToughRock Stretch 54 gypsum board when you have 9' (2,743 mm) ceilings reduces the number of seams you'll need to finish and cuts waste.

Plan/Apply

Estimating Gypsum Board Fasteners

Type of Fastener	Wallboard Thickness	Length of Fastener	Approx. Number of Fasteners per 1000 sq. ft. of Wallboard
Nail	½" (12.7 mm)	1¾" (35 mm)	2000
Nail	¾" (15.9 mm)	1½" (38 mm)	2000
Screw	½" (12.7 mm)	1⅝" (28 mm)	1250
Screw	¾" (15.9 mm)	1¼" (32 mm)	1250

Estimating Joint Compound and Tape

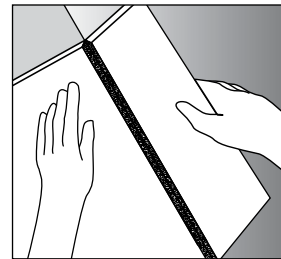
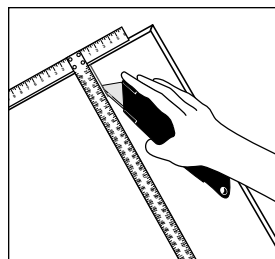
ToughRock® Wallboard Sq. Ft.	All-Purpose Joint Compound	Estimated Amount of Wallboard Tape
100-200 sq. ft. (9-18 m²)	12 lb. Pail (5.4 kg)	two 60' rolls (18.3 m)
500 sq. ft. (46 m²)	48 lb. Ctn. (21.8 kg)	one 250' roll (76.2 m)
800 sq. ft. (74 m²)	61.7 lb. Pail (28 kg)	two 250' rolls (76.2 m)

Tools

The basic tools you'll need are:

1. Wallboard knife with heavy-duty blade
2. Wallboard hammer or regular crown-headed carpenter's claw hammer
3. 4' (1,220 mm) T-square or steel straightedge
4. Steel tape measure
5. Keyhole or utility saw
6. Joint finishing knives—5" (127 mm) and 10" (254 mm) blades
7. Plastic pan for joint compound
8. Sandpaper, medium texture (80 to 100 grit) and sanding block for joint finishing
9. Damp sponge
10. Caulking gun
11. Pencil
12. Safety glasses
13. Dust mask for sanding

CAUTION: When working with tools, always wear approved safety glasses and other equipment recommended by the manufacturer. Always read and follow manufacturer's instructions when using adhesives. Dust and fibers produced during the handling and installation of gypsum board may cause skin, eye and respiratory tract irritation. Avoid breathing dust and minimize contact with skin and eyes. Wear long sleeve shirts, long pants and eye protection. Always maintain adequate ventilation. Use a dust mask or NIOSH/MSHA approved respirator as appropriate in dusty or poorly ventilated areas.



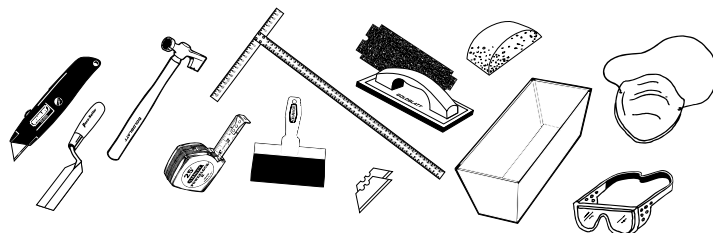
Cut

Using your T-square or straightedge and wallboard knife, score the gypsum board completely through the face paper. Then use firm, even pressure to snap the board along the cut. Fold back the board, and use the knife to cut the back paper. Smooth rough edges.

Receptacle Openings, Etc.

Carefully measure openings for receptacles, switches, etc. from the edge and end of the board, and mark guidelines on the face paper. Use a keyhole saw to cut the openings. Make sure your measurements and cuts are accurate, or the cover plate you install later on will not conceal the hole.

Want help calculating the amount of materials you'll need for your project? Check out the ToughRock® Calculator at www.toughrock.com. Select a product, click the installation tab and enter the measurements of your room.



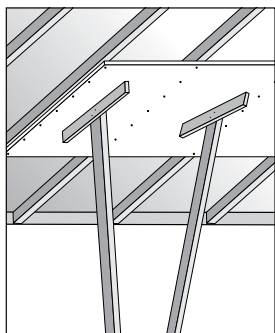
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Installation

Ceilings

For ceilings, always use nails or screws (mechanical attachment) rather than the adhesive/nail-on method. Nails should be spaced at 7" (178 mm) and screws should be spaced at 12" (203 mm) intervals around the edges (about $\frac{3}{8}$ " [9.5 mm] from the edge), and intermediate studs. Make sure you hit the center of the ceiling joists. For joists that are 16" (406 mm) on center (o.c.), use $\frac{1}{2}$ " (12.7 mm) gypsum board. For 24" (610 mm) o.c. joists, use $\frac{5}{8}$ " (15.9 mm) ToughRock®

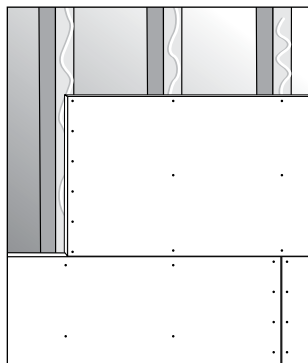


Fireguard X™ gypsum board or $\frac{1}{2}$ " (12.7 mm) ToughRock® Span 24® ceiling board.

All nails should be "dimpled." That is, drive the fastener firm enough to indent the board's face paper, without tearing the paper. It's best to install ceiling boards before wall boards. Because gypsum board is relatively heavy, and

because you'll be positioning it overhead, it's a good idea to have a couple of friends help you.

It also helps to have a pair of T-braces to help hold the board in place while it's being nailed. A good T-brace can be made by nailing a 2' (610 mm) piece of 1 x 4 (25.4 mm x 102 mm) onto the end of a 2 x 4 (51 mm x 102 mm) about an inch longer than the floor to ceiling height. Install boards across (perpendicular to) ceiling joists.



Walls

On walls, you can get a better looking job by using the adhesive/nail-on method.

Use a caulking gun to put a $\frac{3}{8}$ " (9.5 mm) bead of gypsum board adhesive on the wall studs before installing the board. Then nail the board around the edges (about $\frac{3}{8}$ " [9.5 mm] from the edge),

and along each end. Space nails at 8" (203 mm) intervals, and dimple all nails. Test the board to see if it's tight. If it's loose, put a couple of nails in the center.

Many professionals prefer gypsum board screws to nails for their extremely strong holding power. For screw application, use only coated gypsum board screws (wood screws will tear the board), and a variable-speed power drill with a screwdriver bit.

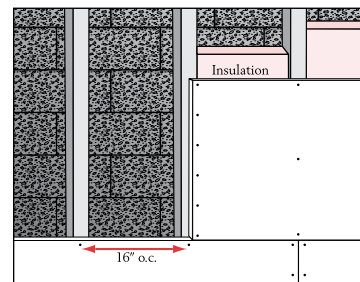
Install boards horizontally, running across the wall studs. Start with the top board and work down. Push the board firmly against the ceiling and nail, keeping the first nail at least 7" (178 mm) from the interior ceiling angle.

If your ceiling is higher than 8'1" (2,464 mm) or the wall is 4' (1,220 mm) wide or less, boards may be installed vertically.

Masonry

If you're installing gypsum board on a masonry wall, first cut 1" x 2" (25.4 mm x 51 mm) or 2" x 2" (51 mm x 52 mm) furring strips to reach from the floor to the ceiling.

(2" x 2" [51 mm x 52 mm] strips are good if you plan to back your wallboard with insulation.) Cut enough strips to go around the room when nailed vertically on 16" (406 mm) centers. Nail the strips on the walls, 16" (406 mm) o.c., using masonry nails. (Check with your home supply dealer for the proper nails for your kind of masonry wall.) When the furring strips are up, rigid foamboard insulation can be cut and placed between strips. Then treat the furring as you would ordinary wall studs, using the wallboard application methods described in the "Walls" section on the previous page.



Corner Bead

Metal, vinyl or paper corner beads provide strong, durable protection for outside angle corners, uncased openings, beams and soffits. The exposed portion of the bead resists impact and forms a surface to finish.

Finishing

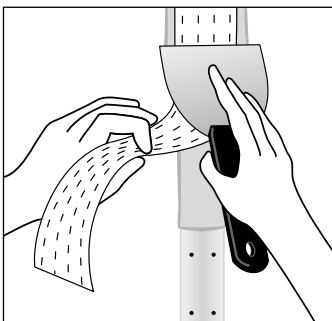
Bead should be installed in one piece. Corner beads, depending on the type, may be nailed, crimped or embedded in place with drywall joint compound.

Joints

Finish the joints in four steps. First, apply a coat of all-purpose joint compound to the joints. Then, imbed wallboard tape in the all-purpose joint compound, smooth out bubbles and allow to dry. Next, apply two successive finish coats over the tape and allow to dry between coats. Sand when dry.

Bedding

With your 5" (127 mm) joint finishing knife, apply a smooth, full, even coat of all-purpose joint compound into the recess created by the tapered edges of adjoining boards.



Center a strip of wallboard tape over the joint, and press it firmly into the wet bedding compound with your wallboard knife at a 45° angle. Press hard enough to squeeze a little compound out from the edge of the tape, but leave enough compound for a good bond. Let dry about 24 hours.

Taping & Finishing

When the taped bedding coat is dry, apply your first finish coat of all-purpose joint compound. Extend this coat a few inches beyond the tape, and feather the edges. Let dry about 24 hours. Then apply a second finish coat with your 10" (254 mm) joint finishing knife. Extend this coat 1½" (38 mm) wider than the first finish coat. Wait 24 hours, and sand lightly with your sanding block and medium grit sandpaper such as 120 or 180 grit. Don't sand down to the tape. Be very careful not to sand or scratch the face paper of the wallboard. Wipe off dust with a damp sponge.

Nail Heads

Draw your 5" (127 mm) joint finishing knife across the nail head to make sure it is below the surface of

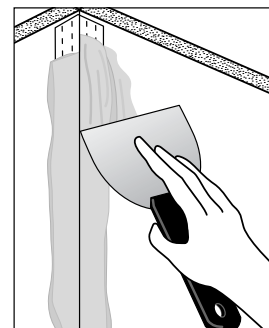
the board. Apply your first coat of all-purpose joint compound so that it just fills the nail dimple. Don't use excess pressure when applying, or your knife may scoop compound from the dimple. Let the first coat dry. At least one more coat will be required. A third coat of all-purpose joint compound may be needed. Sand lightly after each coat dries.

Butt Joints

Butt joints (square cut edge joints) are finished the same way as regular joints, with one exception. Because butt joints are not tapered, you need to be careful not to allow the joint compound and tape to build up any more than necessary. To reduce the effect of the build-up, feather the edges of your finish coats wider than you would for a regular joint.

Outside Corners

Be sure the corner bead is attached firmly (see "Corner Bead" in previous section). Use your 5" (127 mm) knife to spread all-purpose joint compound about 3"-4" (76-102 mm) past outside corner. Be sure to cover the edges. Let dry 24 hours. Apply second coat with your 10" (254 mm) knife. Feather edges 2"-3" (51-76 mm) beyond first coat. Sand lightly when dry. A third coat may be needed.



Inside Corners

Cut a strip of wallboard tape the length of the corner you're going to finish. Crease the tape down the center. Use your 5" (127 mm) knife to spread all-purpose joint compound about 1½" (38 mm) on both sides of the corner. With the knife press the tape into the corner. Use enough pressure to squeeze some compound from the edge of the tape, but leave enough compound to form a good bond. Feather the compound 2" (51 mm) from the edge of the tape. Let dry 24 hours, finishing only one side at a time. Let dry, finish other side of corner. Let dry, then sand corner. Be careful not to let the compound build up in the very corner of the tape. Excess compound in the corner could cause hairline cracks.

Texture

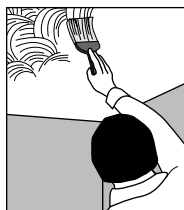
Before you apply any textured surface to wallboard, make sure all joints, nail heads and corners are finished properly. Clean all surfaces thoroughly, and apply a primer coat of white latex paint.

NOTE: It's very important that you prime surfaces well. Joints and fastener heads may show through unprimed surfaces. It's also important to get a prime coat on finished gypsum board as soon after installation as possible. Gypsum board paper that is exposed to light for more than a few weeks could darken, and show through your textured surface.

Choose a texture that fits the decor you're planning for the room, and one you'll feel comfortable applying. Different textures require different tools and texture components. Use the examples below to choose a texture for your walls and ceilings.

After you have decided on a texture, cover floors, windows, etc. Apply texture to the ceiling first. When ceiling texture is finished, use a 10" (254 mm) putty knife to carefully scrape splatters from walls and floors before texture dries. Be careful not to break the face paper on gypsum boards. Always wear protective clothing.

Swirl

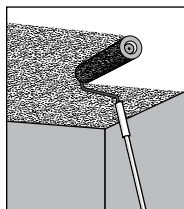


Tools: Stiff Brush, Clean Bucket

Directions: Mix wall texture or all-purpose joint compound according to the instructions on the bag or pail until it is the consistency of whipped cream. Spread on a uniform coating using your brush in a short or broad circular pattern.

Experiment! You might even want to try using a sponge to create your own effects. Let dry at least 48 hours.

Stipple



Tools: Stipple Paint Roller, Hand Extension, Roller Pan

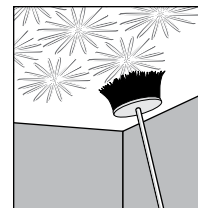
Directions: Thin stipple material selected according to package instructions to a creamy consistency. Don't get it too thin, though, or your coverage won't be complete. Use the paint roller to

spread the mixture in a uniform coat. Cover the complete ceiling in one application. Let dry about 48 hours.

Stomp

Tools: Stiff Round Brush with Extension Handle, Pan, Paint Roller

Directions: Mix wall texture according to package instructions until it has the consistency of thick whipped cream, or use thinned all-purpose joint compound from the bucket. Apply uniform coat with a paint roller. Use the round brush to "stomp" the material on the surface. Cover surface fully. Let dry about 48 hours. The stomp method is frequently used for textured ceilings.



Brocade

Tools: 10" (254 mm) Hand Trowel, 4" (102 mm) Putty Knife, Clean Bucket

Directions: Mix wall texture according to package instructions, until it is the consistency of mashed potatoes. Or, use all-purpose joint compound right out of the pail. Start in a corner, and work down and across the room, taking areas 3' (914 mm) square at a time. Dab on large quantities of texture with your trowel, and brush over lightly to flatten peaks. Blend sections as you move from one area to the next. Allow several days to dry.



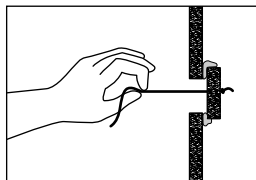
Repair

Tools

The materials and tools you'll need for most repairs are:

1. All-purpose joint compound
2. Drywall tape
3. Gypsum board scraps
4. Gypsum board nails
5. Utility knife
6. 5" (127 mm) and 10" (254 mm) taping knives
7. Hammer
8. Safety glasses

Medium to Small Holes



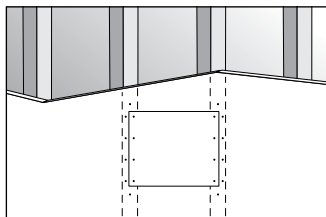
1. Cut out a rectangle around damaged area with knife or keyhole saw.
2. Cut a scrap section of gypsum board, with top and bottom slightly larger than the hole.
3. Place a piece of string through the center of scrap.
4. Apply all-purpose joint compound to edges of scrap, then slide into hole.
5. Center scrap and pull tight until joint compound is set.
6. Cut string, fill hole with joint compound.
7. Additional finish coats may be necessary.

Dents and Gouges

1. Fill with all-purpose joint compound or sandable setting compound.
2. Touch up with paint.

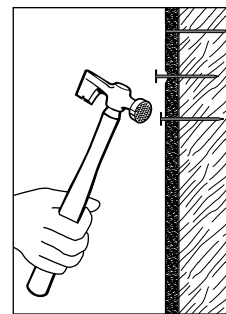
Large Holes

1. To patch larger holes, you may have to cut the gypsum board back to the studs to replace the entire damaged section.
2. Apply gypsum board tape and finish off with all-purpose joint compound.



Nail Pops

1. Drive new nail about 1"-2" (25.4-51 mm) above and below the one that has popped.
2. Push panel close to the stud while you "dimple" the two nails. (See Installation section for explanation of "dimpling.")
3. Remove loose material from dimpled areas, sand lightly.
4. Fill dimpled area with all-purpose joint compound, let dry overnight.
5. If shrinkage occurs in drying, re-apply all-purpose joint compound. When patch is dry, sand lightly.
6. Prime and texture or paint to match existing wall.



Cracks

For large cracks, use all-purpose joint compound and drywall tape.

1. Sand the area about 6" (152 mm) on each side of the crack.
 2. Work all-purpose joint compound down into crack.
 3. Center tape over the crack and press down firmly with a 5" (127 mm) drywall knife.
 4. Cover tape with a coat of all-purpose joint compound. Smooth it out well beyond tape edges by feathering.
 5. Allow patch to dry overnight. Apply another coat of all-purpose joint compound which extends 1½" (38 mm) wider than the last coat. Smooth edges, let patch dry. Sand lightly.
- Narrow cracks may be filled with all-purpose joint compound alone. Use a stiff brush or screwdriver to remove loose material from the crack.
 - Dampen edges of the crack with water.
 - Fill deep cracks almost to the surface. Let dry, then add a thin coat of all-purpose joint compound. Smooth out 2" (51 mm) on each side of crack, by feathering. Let dry. Sand smooth.

Do It Yourself

Garage

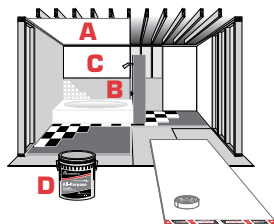
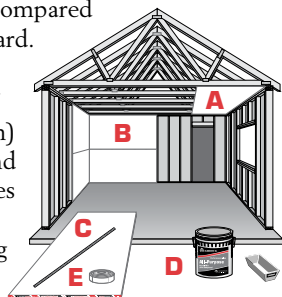
A $\frac{5}{8}$ " (15.9 mm) ToughRock® Fireguard X™ gypsum board, available in 8' to 12' (2,438 mm – 3,658 mm) lengths, is used in garage walls and ceilings for improved fire resistance compared to $\frac{1}{2}$ " (12.7 mm) gypsum board.

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C Cornerbead in 8' (2,438 mm) lengths protects outside corners from damage and gives straight and true corners.

D All-purpose joint compound is available in various sized pails and boxes. Used for taping and finishing gypsum board. Typical usage: 2 (61 lb.) pails or boxes per 1000 sq. ft. (93 m²) of gypsum board.

E Paper joint tape is used to tape all joints and interior angles/corners. Typical usage: 350 lineal feet (107.7 mm) of tape per 1000 sq. ft. (93 m²) of board.



Bathroom

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B $\frac{1}{2}$ " (12.7 mm) DensShield® Tile Backer, is a lightweight, easy to handle substrate that comes in various sizes including the 32" x 5' (813 mm x 1,524 mm) size. This heavy-duty backer board for ceramic tile

is used for walls, ceilings, floors and countertops especially in areas of continuous moisture. Features a Lifetime Limited Warranty* from Georgia-Pacific Gypsum for qualified residential dwellings on any tile installation applied over DensShield.

C $\frac{1}{2}$ " (12.7 mm) ToughRock® Mold-Guard™ gypsum board in 8' (2,438 mm) lengths is the normal product for bathrooms. DensShield tile backer is recommended for backing tile installations.

Basement

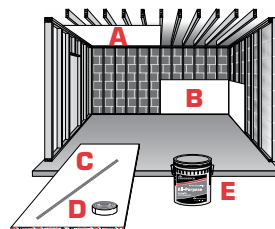
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** Recommended drywall taping knives: 4" (102 mm) wide for taping, 6" (152 mm) for the first finish coat, 12" (305 mm) for second finish coat.

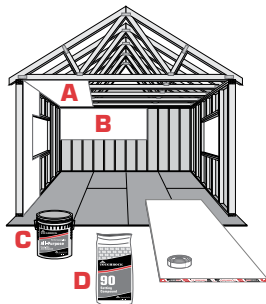
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Addition

A $\frac{5}{8}$ " (15.9 mm) ToughRock® Fireguard X™ gypsum board, available in 8' (2,438 mm) to 12' (3,658 mm) lengths, is the preferred substrate for ceilings and walls for improved fire resistance and sound isolation compared to $\frac{1}{2}$ " (12.7 mm) gypsum board.

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C All-Purpose joint compound is used for bedding tape, finishing joints, filling cornerbead, spotting nails and texturing. Typical usage: 2 (61 lb.) (27.7 kg) pails per 1000 sq. ft. (93 m²) for joint taping and finishing and 15-50 lbs. (6.8-22.7 kg) per 1000 sq. ft. (93 m²) when used for texturing.



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