

# HOW TO APPLY

## Emperor Textured Basecoat

Applying Emperor Textured Basecoat is something that can be done by anyone at home. Before starting make sure that the temperature is above 5°C for the full application and drying process. In the same vein, make sure that there is also no risk of rainfall while you are applying the product.

### Essential equipment:

Emperor Textured Basecoat  
Emperor Exterior Cleaner (if required)  
Emperor Textured Roller

Masonry brush  
Paint scuttle

### You may need:

Dustsheets  
Masking tape  
Sandpaper

Good quality exterior filler  
Paint scraper  
Filling knife

## 1. Clean

As with any decorating project, the first place to start is with cleaning the surface. This ensures that there is nothing on the surface that will compromise the performance. Start by washing the wall either with a hosepipe or a stiff brush and hot water. Apply Emperor Exterior Cleaner to areas where organic growth such as moss, lichens and mildew have developed. This can be done using a brush, roller or pump-sprayer, depending on what is easiest for you. Allow this to dry for 2-3 hours at 20°C.



## 2. Prepare

The surface you are decorating must be sound before you can paint it. If there are any cracks or holes larger than 0.5mm, make sure you fill these with a good-quality exterior filler. Any cracks smaller than 0.5mm can be filled used Emperor Textured Basecoat. Check any previous paint is still sound. If there is any peeling paint, remove this using a paint scraper back to a 'firm edge', where no more paint can be removed. You do not need to prime bare surfaces, as Emperor Textured Basecoat is self-priming.



## 3. Choose your finish

Emperor Textured Basecoat is not only easy to apply but incredibly versatile too. You can achieve different textures, depending on which of our textured rollers you use to apply the basecoat. Choose from one of our three textured rollers to achieve either a light, medium or heavy textured finish easily and effectively. The product can also be applied via brush, for small or hard to reach areas.



## 4. Apply

Generously load your chosen textured roller with the basecoat and simply roll over the surface of the wall. If using a brush, just brush the product on until you achieve your desired finish. Avoid spreading too thinly as you will lose the texture you have created. You can expect to get a coverage of up to 350-500g per m<sup>2</sup> when creating a light texture, which will reduce down to 125g per m<sup>2</sup> for heavier textures. Once allowed to dry for 24 hours at 20°C, you can paint using Emperor Masonry Paint.

