



## Exterior Lath Inspection Checklist

City of Rancho Palos Verdes Community Development Department

**This is to be used as a general checklist' it is not inclusive of all code requirements & inspection criteria.**

- ✓ Approved plans and inspection record card shall be on job site.
- ✓ Shear wall Panel and solid wood sheathing requires two layers of grade D Weather-resistance Barriers.
- ✓ Weather-resistance Barrier shall be equal to that provided for Kraft waterproof building paper or Asphalt-saturated rag felt.
- ✓ Felt or paper shall be applied horizontally, the upper layer lapped over the lower layer not less than 2 inches. Where vertical joints occur felt or paper shall be lapped not less than 6 inches (horizontal 2"/vertical 6").
- ✓ Paper and felt shall be free of from holes and breaks other than those created by fasteners and construction systems due to the attaching of building paper, and shall be applied over studs or sheathing of all exterior walls.
- ✓ Weather-resistance Barrier may be omitted in the following cases:
  - Exterior covering is of approved weatherproof panel.
  - In back-plaster construction.
  - Where there is no human occupancy.
  - Over water- repellent panel sheathing.
  - Under approved paperbacked metal or wire fabric lath.
  - Behind lath and Portland cement plaster applied to the underside of roof and eave projections.
- ✓ All exterior lath penetrations shall be made waterproof. Silicone holes in paper and around penetration.
- ✓ Metal lath or wire fabric lath shall be applied with the long dimension of the sheets perpendicular to supports. The top row may follow the eave line.
- ✓ Metal lath shall be lapped not less than ½ inch at sides and 1 inch at ends. Wire fabric lath shall be lapped not less than one mesh at sides and ends, but not less than 1 inch.
- ✓ Metal lath or wire fabric lath shall be furred out from vertical support ¼ inch. Self-furring lath meet furring requirements.

- ✓ All lath and lath attachments shall be of corrosion-resistant material. Lath attachments shall be spaced not more than 6 inches apart.
- ✓ Weep screed shall be of corrosion-resistance (26 galvanized sheet metal gage) with minimum vertical attachment flange of 3 ½ inches shall be provided at or below the foundation plate line on all exterior stud walls. Screed shall be placed a minimum of 4 inches above earth or 2 inches above paved areas and shall be of a type that will allow trapped water to drain to the exterior of the building.
- ✓ Exterior openings exposed to the weather shall be flashed in such a manner as to make them weatherproof.