SafeCoat® Latex

Prevents Flame Spread
Fire is a threat to life and property. When given the opportunity, it rushes through many types of building materials with alarming speed. Fire takes advantage of unprotected surfaces and areas concealed from fire fighters.

Meets Fire and Building Codes
Fire safety codes are the first line of defense against the destructive force of fire. Products and designs which satisfy these codes save lives and money. Code compliance requires a number of design considerations including a combination of fire separations, sprinklers and coatings.

Protection from Fire and Smoke
SafeCoat® Latex is a highly effective intumescent coating that reacts to fire or heat by expanding to many times its original dry film thickness. The expanded material forms a char which insulates against the heat of fire and reduces available oxygen to the surface. This limits flame spread and the amount of smoke developed.

Wide Range of Applications
SafeCoat® Latex will protect many combustible building materials. Its uses include: wooden surfaces, joists, beams, acoustic tile, rough and finished timbers, open surface panel board, previously painted wallboard, hardwoods, softwoods, drywall, SPF plywood and OSB.

Alternate to Drywall
When a more resilient, durable surface than drywall is required, plywood or OSB coated with SafeCoat® can provide an inexpensive and effective way to satisfy the Fire Code.

OEM Uses
SafeCoat® can be applied to many types of surfaces. It is used by many manufacturers in their products or systems. Whether ASTM, UL, CSA, NFPA or other codes, SafeCoat® Latex can help you meet code requirements.

Effective
SafeCoat® offers significant reduction in flame spread ratings, has a 17 minute fire resistance rating on 3/8" OSB sheathing, and various floor/ceiling/wall assembly tests for fire resistance ratings, as well as acting as an ignition barrier on many combustible surfaces.

Labor Saving
SafeCoat® is an interior, single component, latex-based, intumescent fire retardant coating applied by brush, roller or sprayer. It cleans up easily with warm, soapy water and is quick drying.

Wide Range of Colors
SafeCoat® is white and may be tinted lighter colors or top coated with one coat of another compatible latex in any color when darker shades or alternative sheen are desired. It is available in black as a special order.

Environmentally Friendly
SafeCoat® is environmentally safe. It is latex based and non-toxic with low VOCs. It contains no asbestos, halogens, solvents, or dangerous chemicals.

ULC Tested and Listed
SafeCoat® is recognized by Fire Marshals and Building Officials throughout North America. Class A Flame Spread Ratings can be achieved on OSB, SPF (spruce, pine, fir and douglas fir plywood). SafeCoat® has been tested and approved by ULC under CAN/ULC-S102 for the Canadian market and ASTM E84 for the US market.

SafeCoat® Latex can be used in lieu of sprinkler systems in combustible concealed spaces. The NFPA-13, standard for the installation of sprinkler systems, does not require sprinkler systems if the exposed combustible materials have a flame spread of less than 25. SafeCoat® Latex has a flame spread of 5 and a smoke developed rating of 5 on SPF lumber.

Municipal building codes typically require return air plenum spaces to have flame spread ratings of 25 or less and a smoke developed rating of 50. SafeCoat® satisfies these standards. Using SafeCoat® in lieu of a return air duct in combustible buildings improves overall efficiency which usually allows for smaller HVAC units, reduced duct installation costs, and lower maintenance costs.