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LEAN CONSTRUCTION TOOLS

New HYDE® Tools and Techniques Can Cut Days Off Finishing Time, Minimize Stop-back Visits and Boost Job Profits

Almost every construction job involves a significant amount of finish work – drywall taping, coating, sanding, painting, applying texture. For contractors who do their own finishing, these time-intensive tasks can drag out jobs and drag down profits, as well.

Especially at risk is the general contractor who does just enough finish work to get the job done – but not enough to instill in his crew members the latest time-saving tips and improvements.

Save Time Mudding Drywall

Example: You're mudding the drywall on a new home addition. Using traditional trowel and corner tool, the multitude of inside corners takes hours to mud and feather.

Solution #1: Apply drywall mud directly from the bucket to the corner with a HYDE® Corner Ease™ roller instead of a trowel. The roller's v-shaped hub will direct the right amount of mud into the corners, without leaving lines, grooves or excess compound. The mud can then be feathered quickly with a taping or knockdown knife. Fully loaded, the HYDE® Corner Ease™ will roll 15 feet of mud or more in a single pass. If you mud before and after taping, multiply this time saved by two.

This same roller is even more critical for fast priming of walls, ceilings and trim. Priming flat surfaces using a traditional roller with extension pole is fast and easy. What's time-consuming are the corners, crevices and joints where wall meets wall, wall meets ceiling, wall meets window or crown molding meets both wall AND ceiling. In this case, **the HYDE® Corner Ease™ will roll up to 60 linear feet of paint at a time**, pushing paint into corners, along edges and into the channels and curves of even the most intricate moldings. This same process can be repeated for a finish coat – and can literally take hours off of a modest-size paint job. The finish will be a tight, professional stipple with no edge marks, drips, gaps, holidays or sloppy "fat" edges.

To understand the full potential for this roller, also think about what it can do for exterior applications like painting or staining lap siding, clapboards, cinderblock and other textured or irregular surfaces.

The HYDE® Corner Ease™ can be used with water-based, oil or enamel paints, stains, drywall compound and cleaning fluids. It comes with a free roller cover (available in lambswool or polyester) and a textured tray for use in a 5-gallon bucket.

Save Time Applying Topcoat

Solution #2: Once primed, your job needs a topcoat of paint - and possibly two. While rolling is fast, spraying is faster. For expansive areas or jobs that are difficult to reach – around ductwork, gutters or soffits, for example, Hyde Tools recommends the AnglePRO® airless spray tip extension with tip control. With a HYDE® AnglePRO®, the painter can spray non-stop, turning the nozzle “on the fly” using a patented slide handle. Being able to change the painting angle without bringing the pole down for manual adjustment saves a tremendous amount of time in stairwells, industrial settings or other jobs where keeping a 90° angle to the surface is a challenge.

Back to that big new addition we just primed. It now needs a finish coat. Again, rolling is fast; spraying is faster. But many paint contractors prefer to do both, combining the speed of spraying with the professional stipple of a roller. Unfortunately, this requires an extra step or extra manpower, using one painter to spray and a second painter to follow behind with a backroller.

In this case, contractors can save time and money by adding a Spray & Roll™ backroller attachment to the HYDE® AnglePRO® extension. With this setup, a single painter can spray and roll quickly in a single pass. No extra personnel. No second visit to apply a rolled finish over the initial spray.

Save Time Painting Exteriors

Solution #3: Painting exteriors? Forget pushing your ladder around. Hyde Tools has a patented line of QuickReach® spray poles in fixed and telescoping lengths up to 12 feet. Many professionals testify to their ability to paint an entire house from the ground using these poles. “I just sprayed two entire buildings without touching a ladder,” says Charles D. Daniels, owner of C.D. Daniels Painting, Inc. in Zephyrhills, Florida. “I do a lot of single and two-story paint jobs, so I just adjust the QuickReach® telescopic pole and trigger the gun from the ground.”*

HYDE® spray poles were originally invented by two painters who were tired of climbing up and down ladders and thought there had to be an easier way to paint. Within two years, the concept took off as painters recognized the value of being able to paint efficiently.

Another big QuickReach® advantage: Unlike traditional poles, the QuickReach® does not funnel paint through the tube and out a tip. Instead, contractors attach their hose and gun to the pole through a universal gun clamp. Consequently, Hyde Tools has eliminated the spitting, leaking, clogging and cleaning of the traditional extension pole. With HYDE® QuickReach® spray poles, the contractor simply flushes the gun and hose. There are no leaking, caking tubes of paint lying around waiting to be cleaned at the end of the day.

Save Time Painting Interiors

Solution #4: When painting a room where spray equipment isn’t appropriate, Hyde Tools also supplies a 9”

Dual Action Flex Roller that doubles the coverage in every stroke. The painter simply places the top roller on the surface and rolls as usual. Spring action forces the bottom roller to follow, spreading paint more evenly over the surface and along the edges.

All of the tools mentioned are key to improving contractors' work flow and thus saving time, which is the true measure of LEAN transformation.

While old habits die hard, the pursuit for saving time through new and better methods can be the difference between making a profit and breaking even. This is especially true for contractors who hire crews, since time lost is multiplied by the number of people on site. For more time-saving surface preparation and painting tools, visit Hyde Tools at www.hydetools.com.

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