

Dimension stone cladding rough-in inspection checklist

Dimension stone cladding rough-in is the last time the work is fully visible. Once the cover inspection passes and the walls, ceilings and slabs close, every defect left behind becomes a demolition bill. This checklist walks the rough-in in the order the work goes in, with the photo each item needs before it gets buried. Work is commonly verified against the applicable building code, manufacturer's published instructions. Confirm the edition your authority having jurisdiction has adopted.

Who runs it: The stone setting foreman anchoring the first courses, with the GC's superintendent walking the backup and flashing before the face conceals it. When: As anchors and relief supports are fastened to the backup and the first courses are hung, before the field of stone closes the cavity and buries the anchorage.

Anchorage to the backup

- ☐ **Anchors, dowels and relief supports fastened to structure**
Anchor type and spacing matched to the panel and the backup, each anchor engaged in the kerf or drill hole and fastened to structural backup, not tack-set or resting in mortar alone. 2 photos required
- ☐ **Kerf and dowel fit correct**
Kerf slots and dowel holes sized so the anchor seats fully, no packed-mortar shims carrying the load, relief supported at the specified courses so lower stone does not stack the weight of the wall. 2 photos required

Flashing and cavity drainage

- ☐ **Through-wall flashing and end dams in place**
Flashing continuous at shelf angles, heads and sills, turned up the backup and lapped shingle-fashion with end dams, carried out to the face so water sheds clear. 2 photos required
- ☐ **Weeps and cavity kept open**
Weeps set at the flashing line at the specified spacing, cavity free of mortar droppings that would bridge to the backup and dam the drainage. 1 photo required

Backup and moisture barrier

- ☐ **Backup air/water barrier continuous behind the stone**
Weather barrier on the backup lapped and sealed at penetrations and transitions, intact where anchors pierce it, before the face closes access to it. 2 photos required