

Portland cement plaster (stucco) punch checklist

Portland cement plaster (stucco) punch is where small misses become callbacks after the crew has demobilized. This checklist walks the finished work the way the owner and the next trade will see it, with the photo that closes each item instead of a note that reopens it. Work is commonly verified against ASTM C926 / C1063 guidance, the applicable building code. Confirm the edition your authority having jurisdiction has adopted.

Who runs it: The plastering foreman on a callback, or the GC's superintendent closing exterior punch items. When: During closeout, after the wall has been through temperature swings and the first rains reveal cracks and dark damp patches.

Cracking and bond

- ☐ **Cracks at joints and openings located and traced**
Each crack photographed in context, mapped against control joints and opening corners, cause noted rather than just filled. 2 photos required
- ☐ **Hollow or debonded areas sounded out**
Wall tapped for drummy, hollow spots where the plaster has let go of the lath, marked for cut-out rather than skim-patched. 1 photo required

Repair and blend

- ☐ **Patches blended into surrounding texture and color**
Repair feathered into the existing finish, texture and color matched so the patch does not flash under raking light. 2 photos required
- ☐ **No remaining plaster items before elevation signoff**
All punch items per elevation closed with photos before the area is released to turnover. 1 photo required