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Water-Resistive Barrier Requirement behind LP® SmartSide® Siding on Shed Structures or Mobile Homes not governed by IRC

LP strongly recommends the use of a secondary water-resistive barrier behind all LP® SmartSide® siding. A properly installed water-resistive barrier provides a second line of defense to exterior moisture that may get behind the siding.

LP's SmartSide panel siding limited warranty remedies will be honored if a panel is damaged by exterior moisture and: (1) a moisture barrier has been properly installed behind the siding; or (2) no moisture barrier is required for the application by applicable local, regional or national building codes. LP's SmartSide panel siding limited warranty remedies will not be available for SmartSide siding damaged by exterior moisture when a secondary water-resistive barrier is required by an applicable building code but not used.

Please be aware that the LP SmartSide limited warranty does not expressly or implicitly cover any part of the wall assembly other than the siding. If water penetrates the wall assembly, LP cannot be held liable for any resulting damages to framing or other wall components and we will not participate in any remedial costs for those components.