

Legacy Villas Homeowner's Association

~ Painting Tips ~

Considering painting your house? Here are some tips that will help ensure your paint project is successful.

- If using a painting contractor, it is the homeowner's responsibility to verify that he is using only Dunn-Edwards *exterior* paint.
- Prior to applying paint, the surfaces of the home must be prepared and care taken to avoid undesired results. If a contractor is used, he should be responsible for performing the following preparation tasks.
 - Scrape away all loose paint from walls.
 - Be sure all cracks in the stucco are caulked.
 - Remove brackets or other items attached to the walls.
 - Scrape 3-4 inches of rocks and dirt away from the home's foundation.
 - Wash dirt and debris from the walls and allow them to adequately dry before applying paint.
 - Mask and seal all doors, windows, and roof edges.
 - Cover sidewalks, driveways, pavers, plants, outdoor furniture, etc. to protect them from paint overspray. Do not use plastic covers for plants as they could be harmed.
 - While Dunn-Edwards paint is specially formulated for warm climates, only two are recommended to hold up to Arizona weather: "Evershield" (top rated) and "Spartashield" (mid rated).
 - Dunn-Edwards paint should never be diluted with water or any other thinning agent. To do so could cause unexpected color results.
 - Dunn-Edwards recommends using Velvet or Eggshell for the base and Low-Sheen or Semi-Gloss for the doors and trim.
 - For a durable and aesthetically pleasing finish, consider using "Evershield" (semi-gloss) paint on doors.
- Enjoy your newly decorated home's exterior!