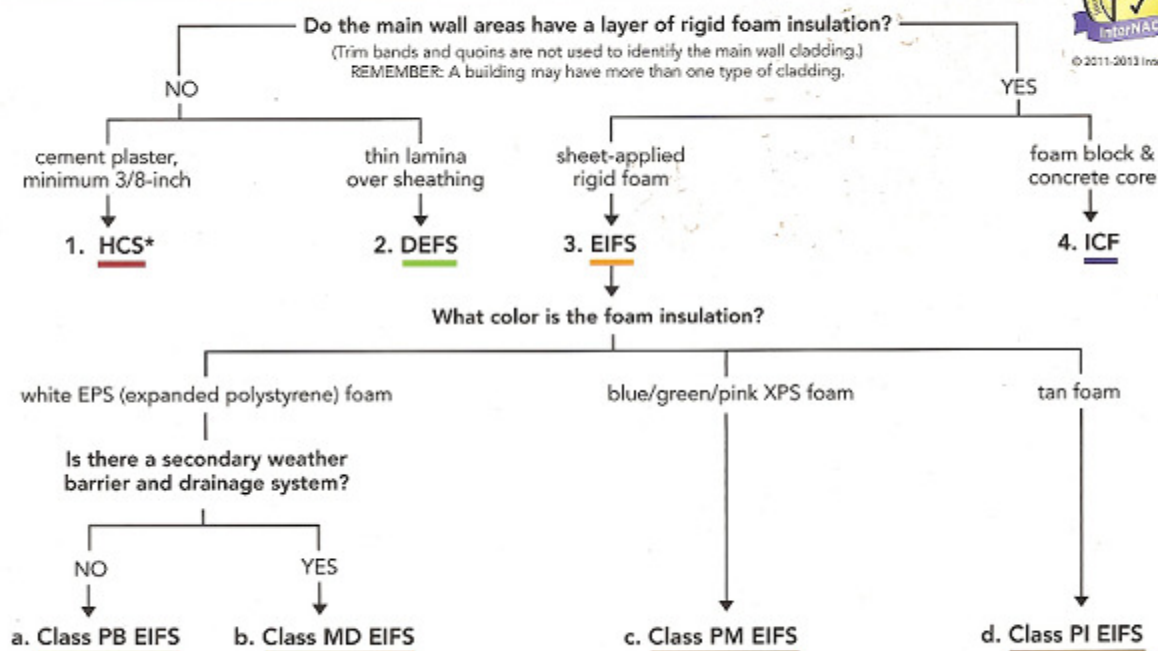


STUCCO ID DECISION TREE



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NOTES & DEFINITIONS:

1. HCS (hard-coat stucco) is a Portland-cement plaster. This system can be applied over moisture-sensitive and non-moisture-sensitive substrates. (more information can be found in the Stucco ID Field Guide)

*All manufacturers permit the installation of hard-coat stucco over rigid foam insulation. These are often called a hybrid system.

2. DEFS (direct-applied exterior finish system) is typically identified by a thin lamina applied directly to sheathing, and this system may be moisture-drainable.

3. EIFS (exterior insulated and finish system) is typically identified by a layer of rigid insulation foamboard.

a. Class PB is a barrier or face-sealed exterior cladding that uses Expanded Polystyrene (EPS) with no secondary barrier or means of drainage.

b. Class MD is a Moisture-Drainage class of EIFS that uses Expanded Polystyrene (EPS) and incorporates a secondary barrier and means of drainage.

c. Class PM uses extruded polystyrene (XPS) as the rigid foam; it may be Moisture-Drainage.

d. Class PI incorporates QUIK-RTM or Atlas Stucco-Shield® polyisocyanurate board; it may be Moisture-Drainage.

4. ICF (insulated concrete form) construction uses stacked polystyrene foam blocks with a solid reinforced poured concrete core.

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