A **METAL CAP FLASHING** is a proven practice for protecting framed stucco walls that incorporate parapets. Metal Cap Flashing properly installed, provides protection against moisture intrusion. A metal casing bead may be used in lieu of the 1x wood ground. The Cap Flashing leg should extend a minimum 2 inches over the stucco and have a drip edge. A longer flashing leg is advised in wind-driven rain environments.

1. Slope should be toward roof to prevent staining of stucco walls
2. A cleat helps secure Cap Flashing leg
3. Roof side of parapet wall may be clad in cement stucco to mirror elevation side
A cement stucco cap is possible: several precautions should be taken to insure moisture does not reach the framing or sheathing. Installation and sequencing is critical for a successful installation.

CEMENT STUCCO PARAPET CAP

1. Width of the parapet should not exceed 8 inches
2. A self-healing cap membrane (min 40 mil) is to be installed over shaped framing
3. Insure self-healing membrane laps OVER WRB(s), a minimum 6 inches each side
4. Install lath and lap over the top of parapet. Attach lath ONLY on walls
5. Wire tie corners trims to the lath that is secured to framing.
6. Select nose of corners to match finish (SMA technical bulletin “Corners for Stucco”)
7. NO PENETRATIONS within 2 inches at edge of parapet down and along the top
8. Install a continuous polymer base and mesh crack reduction system over the brown coat
9. Insure finish coat is compatible with polymer skim coat (#9)
10. OPTIONAL: An elastomeric coating over the top of the parapet may be used

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