

Frequently Asked Questions:

How well does the single coat hold up against outdoor elements?

Single coat columns hold up well in all weather conditions. We've had a painted single coat column mounted in front of our building for about 5 years and it still looks great.

Is it best to recommend the single coat for covered installations and the double coat for exterior installs?

Single coat columns should be used in locations where there is a low incidence of surface impacts. The double coat is stronger and more durable, making it best suited for high-traffic locations where there is a greater chance of surface impacts. Both single and double coat columns can be repaired with standard stucco patch if they ever get damaged.

If the column is hit by a car or large rock, the literature mentions that the styrofoam core will "crumble and absorb impact". Is there any way to repair the styrofoam core, or will the whole unit need to be replaced?

The column will probably need to be replaced if a car hits it. However, since the column consists of two pieces, you might be able to salvage the top if only the base is damaged, or vice versa. If the column is hit by a rock, just use a standard stucco patch available at any major building supply store and repaint. It is easy to repair!