



Formica Canada Inc. Launches New HardStop™ Decorative Protection Panels

High-performance panels with a class A fire rating offer superior protection for high-demand areas in a variety of designs

Saint-Jean-Sur-Richelieu, Quebec, Canada, February 12, 2019 — Formica Canada Inc. introduces HardStop™ Decorative Protection Panels, a new line of high-performance wall panels featuring a fiberglass core for added durability, strength and fire resistance.

HardStop™ panels are an excellent solution for areas that demand superior protection and ease of installation and maintenance. The panels are available in the full spectrum of Formica® Brand colours, allowing for perfect colour coordination with other Formica® Laminate products.



DecoMetal® Matte Bronze, Citadel Wrap
HardStop™ and White



White, Wheat Strand HardStop™ and Sarum
Gray

“Today’s commercial spaces need to be strong enough to stand up to the rigors of daily use, while also providing an inviting and beautiful décor,” said Renee Hytry Derrington, global design lead at Formica Corporation. “With HardStop™ panels, there is no trade-off between aesthetics and durability. It offers the highest level of fire protection and supreme durability, while allowing design professionals to create interiors that reflect the latest colour and design trends.”

Strength meets style

Easy to install, HardStop™ Panels are designed to be applied directly to a variety of substrates, including drywall, bringing additional strength and style to vertical applications and settings. Examples include:

- **Healthcare** – corridors, nurses’ stations, foyers, waiting rooms, patient rooms, labs and procedure rooms
- **Education** – dorm rooms, classrooms, cafeterias, corridors, gyms, daycare centers and restrooms
- **Restaurants, supermarkets and retail** – transaction counter fronts, drink stations and back-of-house prep areas
- **Offices** – break rooms and reception areas
- **Airports/mass transit** – wainscoting and jetways
- **Others** – elevators, recreation vehicles, ambulances and stairwells



Neutral Twill HardStop™



Folkstone HardStop™ and Burnt Strand

HardStop™ Decorative Protection Panels may be installed using a selection of seam treatments. Formica Group offers a variety of anodized aluminum trims that come in five profiles for any application: inside corner, outside corner, division bar, end cap and corner guard. All trim profiles are available in five anodized colours including Clear Anodized, Champagne, Light Bronze, Dark Bronze and Black. Colour-coordinated 100 percent silicone or acrylic caulk may also be used as seam treatments.

To learn more about HardStop™ Panels, visit www.formica.com/HardStopPanels.

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