

# Precision Points

Air Barrier 09

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# CMU Pintles

CMU substrates are more challenging to coat because of CMU's porosity. As a result, liquid material will typically take one or two more coats to get to the proper thickness (some Mfrs identify this in the instructions)

Now, add the masonry veneer pintles to the installation, and the difficulty to install the air barrier continuously is more challenging because of pintle obstructions.



Gap in the membrane @ the pintle → Bubbles coming from gaps when tested



We recently requested out Trade Partners to pre-coat the masonry pintles, taking the time to detail each penetration ahead of the spray or roll installation. We immediately saw a substantial benefit to the installation with far less failure and rework.

**Note: Make sure that the pintles get straightened before the pre-coating process!**