# Strait-Flex® Tuff-Tape

**Premium Trims and Tapes**

Tuff-Tape is ideal for flat seams and inside corners and where paper drywall tape has failed. For novices, Tuff-Tape is easier to apply than paper tapes. Tuff-Tape cuts easily with a scissors or utility knife, is applied with all-purpose joint compound, and will not rust. Extremely strong, will not fuzz-up when sanding, and stronger than paper and mesh tape.

- Inside corners and flat seams
- Use in areas where humidity causes paper tape to fail and when strength and speed is required
- Two times stronger than paper tape
- Resists blisters, tears and common cracking problems




## Product Data & Ordering Information:

| Product Code | Width | Length | Rolls/Case | Cases/Pallet |
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| TT-100 | 2" | 100' | 12 | 24 |

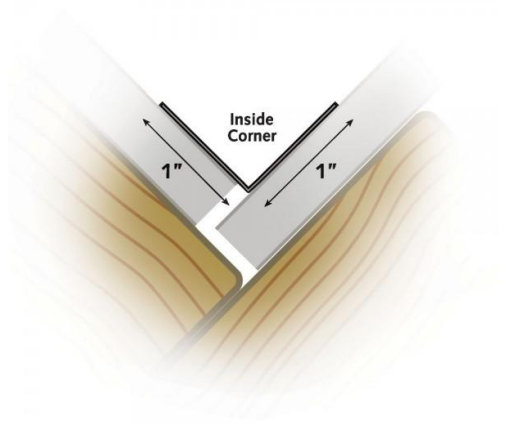
## Code Approvals & Performance Standards

- ASTM C1047 Standard Specification for Accessories for Gypsum Wallboard and Gypsum Veneer Base
- SDS Strait-Flex - Joint Tape For Joint Tape



## Installation:

- Run your taping knife over the surface of the drywall and remove any high spots. If the knife hits a screw head, set the screw a little deeper.
- Measure wall height and subtract 1/2". Measure and cut Tuff-Tape using a scissors or utility knife.
- Fold Tuff-Tape in half at center crease with print size facing out. Most professionals prefer to cut the ends of Tuff-Tape at a 45º angle.
- For inside corners, fold less than desired angle with print side toward wall.
- Properly mix all-purpose compound per manufacturer's directions. If applying Tuff-Tape over painted surfaces, add Strait-Flex's Super-Bond to enhance bondability.
- With a 4" or 5" taping knife, apply a smooth, liberal coat of all-purpose compound to corner.
- Press Tuff-Tape into the wet compound. Adjust if necessary to create a straight line.
- Wipe down tight with taping knife using a little additional pressure on the outer edges of Tuff-Tape. Immediately apply a light skim coat of compound over surface of Tuff-Tape. Wipe down tight and smooth. Let dry completely over several hours or overnight.
- Use taping knife to detect and remove any high spots or dried clumps of compound.
- With a 6" taping knife, apply your final coat of compound feathering the compound beyond previous coat. For inside corners, a very light coat of compound is all that's needed. Lightweight compound used in this step makes sanding much easier. Let dry completely over several hours or overnight.
- Sand lightly with 120 grit sandpaper. Tuff-Tape will not fuzz-up like paper or mesh tapes.




## Storage

All stored materials shall be kept dry. Materials shall be stacked off the ground, supported on a level platform, and protected from weather and moisture.

