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## STRAIGHT FROM THE HORSES HOUTH!

We have been telling people for years that there are some major differences in structural glazed tile and epoxy coated block. Now even the manufacturers of those products are telling you the same thing in their literature. **Look at the precautions in one of those manufactures new sweets brochures.** Here is what their really Saying:

1. Cavity wall is recommended because of the high water absorption of concrete block. The block sucks in moisture but the epoxy coating will not let it out, thus creating a freeze/thaw problem.
2. The reference to *lighting* tells you that the faces are not going to always be flat and true against the concrete block, thus creating shadows *when exposed to direct lighting*.
3. Stack bond suggestions refer to scored units. Epoxy coated block manufactures like to sell 8" x 16" units scored to look like an 8"x8", because of the inconsistent size of these scored units, if they are laid running bond the joints will not usually line up.
4. Water resistant grouts are *recommended again because of moisture in these high absorption units*. This is an added expense not needed in low absorption glazed tile
5. We have always said epoxy coated double glazed units are usually a disaster. They are very seldom, if ever, square and true on any dimensions. Here they admit their tolerances are poor on through wall units.

As you can see, the Horse has spoken, hopefully this information will SPUR you on to make hay while the sun SHINES. As we have said for years, Comparing Structural Glazed Tile with epoxy coated block is like comparing a Racehorse to a Donkey.

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