

## **GUIDELINES FOR JOBSITE STORAGE AND REMOVAL OF PROTECTIVE FILMS**

**Jobsite storage of panels with PREGIS PolyMask protective films applied:** Stored panels should be protected from exposure to moisture, sunlight and precipitation. It is recommended to store panels indoors, for the utmost protection from environmental conditions. If outdoor storage is the only means, it is recommended to store panels elevated under a water-proof tarp and tilted in such a way to not entrap moisture and facilitate drainage.

**Best practice techniques for the removal of PREGIS PolyMask protective films from panels:** Protective films should be removed gradually beginning at one end peeling back at a 180° degree angle with a smooth even motion. Do not quickly jerk the Protective film from the panel. Inspect panels for any adhesive residue once the protective film is removed. Contact your supervisor immediately if residue is observed. (See Technical Bulletin: "Guidelines for UV Exposed Protective Film" for residue removal techniques)

When removing the film in cold weather conditions it is not suggested to remove the protective films if the panels are frozen. If frozen, bring panels into an indoor environment to return them to a recommended film removal temperature. When removing film from panels, the temperature should be between 40° F (16° C) and 90° F (32° C) following the best protective film removal techniques stated above.

When removing the film in wet weather conditions it is not suggested to remove the protective films if the panels are wet and saturated with moisture. If wet, bring panels into an indoor environment and allow them to dry before removing film following the best practice removal techniques stated above.

In both weather conditions using sunlight to dry and or bring panels to the recommended film removal temperature can create a UV exposed residue condition. (See Technical Bulletin: "Guidelines for UV Exposed Protective Film" for residue removal techniques)