

Interior Walls: Recommended Materials

	Concrete	Masonry	Tile	Paint (over Gypsum Board)	Vinyl Wall Covering	Metal Panels	Wood Paneling	Rapidly-Renewable Products
Group 1 HQ, Command, ECFs, Chapels	●	●	◐	◐	◑	◑	◑	●
Group 2 Admin. Squad Ops, Community Support	●	●	◑	◑	◑	◑	◑	●
Group 3 Industrial and Flightline Operations	●	●	○	○	○	○	○	◐
Group 4 Family Housing	○	○	◑	●	○	◑	○	●

Most Appropriate ← ● ————— → ○ Least Appropriate

General Notes:

1. Conduct a Life Cycle Cost Analysis: consider the cost of long-term maintenance and eventual replacement
2. Concrete and masonry may be used for exposed thermal mass walls in Groups 1, 2, and 3 and high-visibility areas when cast, ground, polished or otherwise prepared and detailed as a final finish
3. Tile is preferred on wet walls adjacent to plumbing fixtures
4. Paint shall be the appropriate type and sheen for the location and type of use to ensure durability
5. Vinyl wall covering (typically over gypsum board) may be used only in areas not subjected to heavy use and wearing
6. Additional required expense for supplementary systems due to the use of this material (e.g., need for thickened slab)
7. Consider Federal HPSB Guiding Principles green product procurement requirements

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<https://www.epa.gov/greenerproducts>
<http://www.biopreferred.gov/>