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OVERALL SCORE

© CR Recommended **Behr** BEHR ULTRA® Exterior (Home Depot) Paint



Ratings Scorecard

Test Results

Appearance after 3 years	5 /5
Appearance after 6 years	4 /5
Appearance after 9 years	4 /5

Features & Specs

Specs

Resists cracking	Yes
Resists color change	Yes
Resists dirt	Yes
Resists mildew	Yes
VOCS (grams/liter)	50

CR's Take

This paint includes a work-saving, built-in primer. Impressive appearance after the equivalent of nine years outdoors is also part of the package, as is resistance to cracking, color change, dirt and even mildew. With a claimed 50 grams per liter of volatile organic compounds (VOCs), it's well below the federal limit--but meets the 50-gram/liter limit in parts of California.

About

The Behr Ultra Exterior (Home Depot) is part of the Paints test program at Consumer Reports. In our lab tests, Exterior paints models like the Premium Plus Ultra Exterior (Home Depot) are rated on multiple criteria, such as those listed below.

Appearance after 3 years: Appearance after three years summarizes performance after one year of our accelerated weathering (i.e. equivalent to three years on a vertical wall).

Appearance after 6 years: Appearance after six years summarizes performance after two years of our accelerated weathering (i.e. equivalent to six years on a vertical wall).

Appearance after 9 years: Appearance after nine years summarizes performance after three years of our accelerated weathering (i.e. equivalent to nine years on a vertical wall).

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