FRP work selection guide

Woven fabric is made by weaving the fibers to the backing by two passes through, forming a W. This locks in fiber to help eliminate shedding. Knitted fabric is held in backing with only one pass through, forming a V. Roller covers with knitted fabrics have the possibility of shedding, but not enough to be a problem for some jobs. When more than one fabric is suitable for your coating, select ones available in a nap length recommended for the material and texture or smoothness of the surface you'll be rolling. Please call us for no-charge samples to evaluate. You can also download from our website, the Manufacurers' selection guide to see how FRP shops use these covers.

Woven, shed-resistant fabrics

These roller cover fabrics are all on a water and solvent-resistant core. Generally speaking, shedresistant woven rollers deliver finish quality, but not production; they do not pick up and release as much as a knitted roller cover. But the Pro/Doo-Z is the gold standard in shed-resistant rollers. It's a dense, high- capacity fabric that resists matting and stays resilient through a full day of use. Good choice when finish is of primary importance, but speed and coverage matter too.

| Fabric name | Widths | Nap or pile | Composites fabricating applications |
|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|---|
| Pro/Doo-Z® | 9", 12", 18" | 3/16", 3/8", 1/2", 3/4" | longest lasting, heaviest-duty cover for most coatings |
| Candy Stripe® Mohair | 7", 9" | 1/4" | dense fill material holds more resin for smooth spreading |
| Mohair Blend™ | 3", 4", 7", 9", 12", 18" | 1/4" | resin wet out on small jobs; applying water-based paint |
| Adhesive Applicator | 3", 7", 9" | 1/8" | to roll air out of fiberglass, resin, and gel coat |
| Super Doo-Z® | 4", 7", 9", 18" | 3/16", 3/8", 1/2", 3/4" | applying finish coats of gel coat, resin sealers |
| The Primer™ | 9" | 3/8" | new roller cover |
| White Diamond® Draylon | 3", 4", 7", 9" | 1/4", 3/8", 1/2", 3/4" | applying epoxy |
| PX Yellow Stripe® Perlon | 3", 4", 7", 9" | 1/4", 3/8", 1/2", 3/4" | new roller cover |
| Painter's Choice™-S.R. | 7", 9" | 3/16" | tooling gel coat for fine finish & appearance |

Knitted fabrics

These roller cover fabrics are all on a water and solvent-resistant core, except those marked with *. This asterisk indicates a cover that can not be cleaned in acetone and reused. There are less expensive covers for low viscosity resins, and denser fabric covers for higher viscosity or increased production rates.

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|------------------------|----------------------|----------------------------------|---|
| Mohair | 3", 4", 9" | 1/4" | new roller cover |
| Super/Fab® | 4", 7", 9", 12", 18" | 3/8", 1/2", 3/4", 1, 11/4" | new roller cover |
| Golden Flo™ | 7", 9" | 3/8", 1/2", 3/4", 11/4" | rolls out resin, but not as dense as the Blue Polyester |
| Syn-Lam® | 3", 4", 7", 9", 18" | 1/4", 3/8", 1/2", 3/4", 1 | new roller cover |
| Blue Polyester, SR208 | 7", 9" | 3/8" | spreads more resin, but removes less air |
| Hi-Tech® * | 7", 9" | 1/4", 3/8", 1/2", 3/4", 1, 11/4" | applying fine resin sealer on textured surfaces |
| Magic Touch® * | 7", 9" | 1/4", 3/8" | disposable throw-away for applying resin, gel coat |
| Industrial Polyester * | 3", 4", 7" | 1/4", 3/8" | fine finish tooling gel coat, better appearance |
| Painter Magic™ * | 7", 9" | 3/8" | apply resin, resin sealers, grit material |