

BITUPLUS Px

APP modified bituminous waterproofing membrane

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BITUPLUS Px membrane is a superior grade plastomeric waterproofing membrane, manufactured from a rich mixture of bitumen and selected APP (Atactic Poly Propylene) polymers blended together to obtain excellent heat & UV resistance and waterproofing properties. The polymerized bitumen is coated on to a dimensionally stable reinforcement core of non woven spun bond polyester rot-proof fabric. The membrane has excellent mechanical properties and is highly resistant to fatigue and is designed for use in structures exposed to high temperatures.

CHARACTERISTICS

- ▶ Excellent resistance to positive water & vapor pressure
- ▶ Good heat resistance
- ▶ Good dimensional stability under tension
- ▶ Can accommodate structural movements because of excellent flexibility
- ▶ High puncture and fatigue resistance
- ▶ High tensile and tear strengths
- ▶ Resistant to water borne chemicals

FIELDS OF APPLICATION

BITUPLUS Px is used as a waterproofing membrane on the following structures:

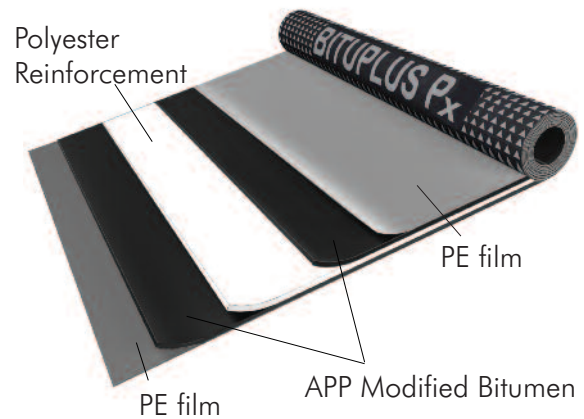
- ▶ Inverted Roofs & parapets
- ▶ Terraces, balconies & patios
- ▶ Sunken slabs
- ▶ Bridges & tunnels
- ▶ Airport aprons & ramp areas

BITUPLUS Px in tropical regions can also be used for waterproofing of below ground concrete structures like:

- ▶ Concrete foundations & footings
- ▶ Basements
- ▶ Pile heads
- ▶ Swimming pools & water retaining structures (Externally)

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

The application temperature should be between 5°C to 55°C. Application procedures may vary slightly depending upon site conditions. The general recommended guidelines for the application of the waterproofing system is as follows:



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Surface preparation

The surface shall be cleaned thoroughly of all contaminants like dust, traces of curing compound, oil and grease. All surface imperfections and protrusions shall be removed and repaired. Structurally unsound and friable concrete must be removed and repaired with a suitable POLYCRETE* concrete repair mortar.

Priming

Apply POLYPRIME SB* (Solvent based primer) @ 4-6 m²/L to a clean smooth and dry surface by brush, roller or spray. Allow the primer to dry prior to the application of the membrane. As the viscosity of the primer is low, it easily penetrates into the concrete pores which promotes the adhesion between the membrane and the concrete surface. In addition to that the primer also acts as a binder for the dust which gets accumulated on the concrete surface even after cleaning.

Alignment

Start the installation of all membrane plies from the low point or drains, so the flow of water is over or parallel to the plies, but never against the lap.

All overlaps at the membrane seams shall be installed so as to have "up" slope laps over "down" slope lap. Begin membrane application by unrolling the roll of **BITUPLUS PX** membrane and aligning the side laps. Re-roll the roll halfway and stand on the unrolled portion to prevent shifting. Side overlaps should be a minimum of 100 mm and the end overlap 150mm..

Torching

BITUPLUS PX membranes are installed by using a cylinder fed propane gas torch. Use of hand-held roofing torch is recommended as it affords a good control. If multiple burner torching machines are utilized, care must be taken to ensure the application of uniform heat and avoid overheating of the membrane. Begin torching the embossed polyethylene side of the rolled portion of the membrane. Proper torching procedure involves passing the torch flame in an "L" pattern applying about 75 percent of the heat across the coiled portion of the roll and 25 percent across the substrate, including the lap area of the previously installed membrane. As the membrane is heated the embossing starts to melt away exposing a shiny bitumen surface. Roll forward the membrane and press firmly with the boot or roller against the substrate to bond well. The propane flame should be moved from side to side and up the lap edge while the membrane is slowly unrolled and adhered to the surface. Subsequent shift of the roll shall be avoided after heating has begun. When one end is complete, re-roll the opposite end not yet torched, and install in the same manner.

As subsequent rolls are installed, heat is applied to both the roll and the exposed laps of the membrane being overlapped onto. Be sure to heat the entire roll evenly, not just the lap areas, with extra concentration at the laps.

CAUTION: Do not over torch the membrane as this will expose the reinforcement and cause damage to it.

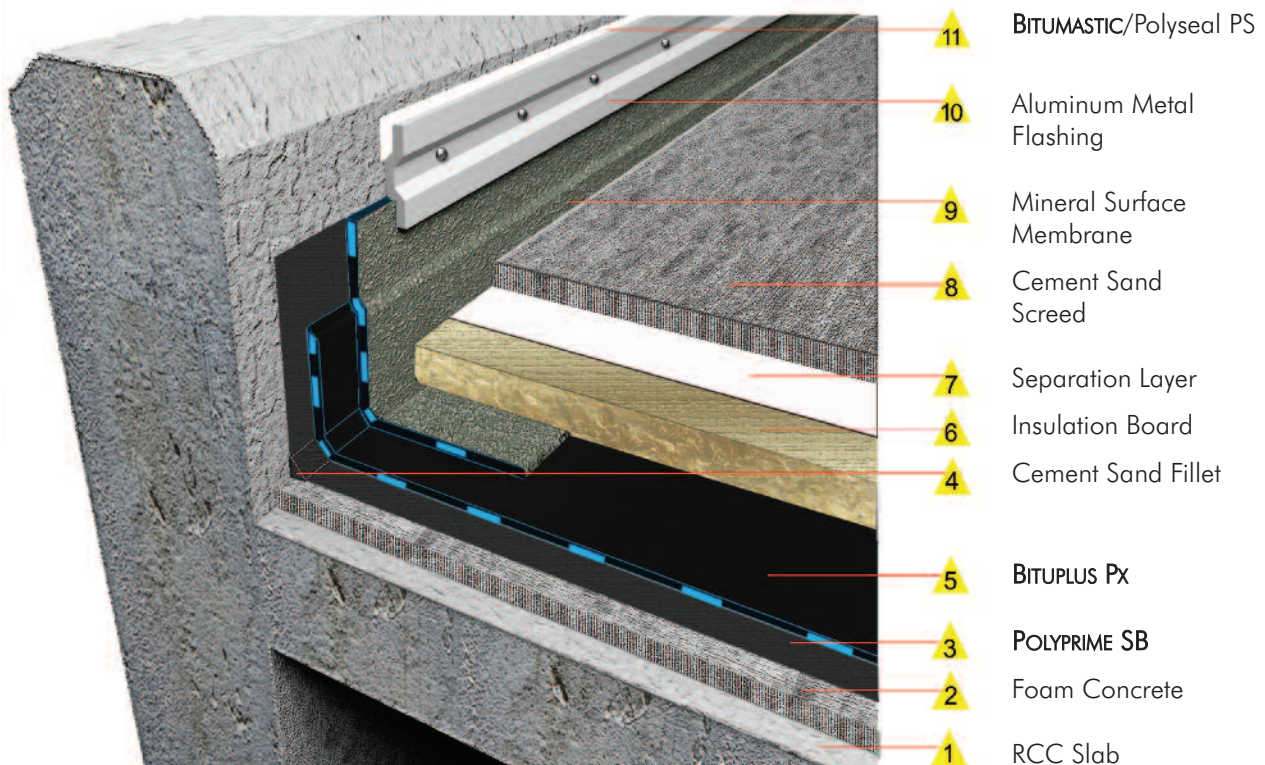
Sealing

Heat both the overlaps and use round tipped trowel to seal the overlap. Adequate heat is confirmed when a uniform flow of melted bitumen compound flows evenly in a bead that oozes from the applied membrane's edges. Excess compound should be smoothed and pressed into the seam using a heated trowel. Any un-bonded areas must be lifted and re-torched. Do not attempt to reseal by torching the top surface of the membrane.

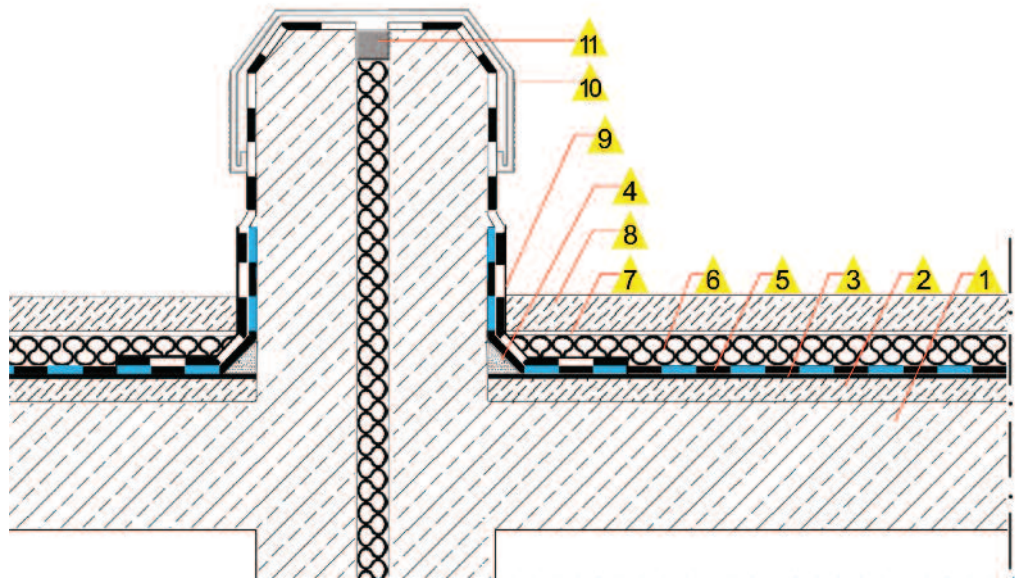
Up stand

Flashing details are accomplished using cut pieces of **BITUPLUS PX** membrane in combination with appropriate prefabricated flashing components. The same side lap and end lap rules apply to flashing details as to field membrane.

All angles and abutments should be sealed with extra care to ensure full bonding. An appropriate flashing membrane (mineral surface) shall be lapped with the base membrane and taken up on the parapet wall and tucked into a groove cut into the concrete. The grooves will be sealed with a suitable mastic sealant (**BITUMASTIC**)*.



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STANDARDS

BITUPLUS PX membranes are tested and conform to the requirements of UEAtc 2001 and ASTM.

SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

Any naked flame should be kept well away from the gas cylinders. When ignited the torch should be watched at all times. The torch should not be rested on finished roofing. Extreme care should be taken when working near combustible materials or items which might be scorched by the gas flame.

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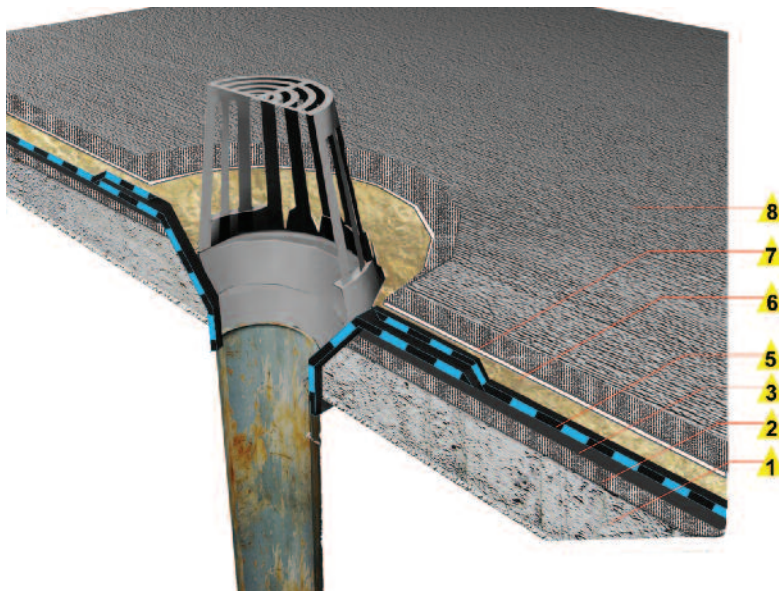
STORAGE & SHELF LIFE

BITUPLUS PX membrane rolls whether loose or on pallets have to be stored vertically in a shaded area neatly covered by a thick fabric and tied securely in a manner that will minimize exposure to sunlight & UV. Do not stack Pallets on top of each other. The shelf life is 12 months if stored as per recommendations. Excessive exposure to sunlight, UV and other sources of heat will result in considerable deterioration of the product and reduce its shelf life.

HEALTH & SAFETY

BITUPLUS PX membranes contain a tacky bitumen compound which when applied can stick to human skin. Such stains can be removed by using a cloth dipped in a suitable cleaner.

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TECHNICAL SPECIFICATION

| PROPERTIES | VALUES | | TEST STANDARDS |
|---|--|----------------------|--|
| Product | Px 4180 | Px 4200 | |
| Thickness, [mm] | 4.0 | 4.0 | DIN EN 1849-1 |
| Mass per unit area, 4mm [kg/m ²] | 4.0-4.3 | 4.0-4.3 | DIN EN 1849-1 |
| Reinforcement (polyester), [g/m ²] | 180 | 200 | EN 29073-1 |
| Coating asphalt Softening Point (R&B), [°C] Penetration @25°C, [0.1 mm] | Atatic Poly Propylene Polymer Modified Asphalt > 140 12-25 | | ASTM D 36 ASTM D 5 |
| Tensile Strength (L/T), [N/5cm] | 850/650 | 900/700 | DIN EN 12311-1 |
| Elongation @Break (L/T), [%] | 40/50 | 40/50 | DIN EN 12311-1 |
| Shear resistance @ Joints (L/T), [N/5cm] | > 800/600 | > 850/650 | DIN EN 12317-1 |
| Tear Resistance (L/T), [N] | 180/200 > 500/400 | 200/220 > 600/500 | DIN EN 12310-1 ASTM D 5147/ ASTM D 4073 (sample preparation method) |
| Resistance to Static loading | Static : L ₂₅ | | DIN EN 12730 |
| Hydrostatic pressure @5bar (50m) | No Leakage | | BS EN 12390 (Part 8) |
| Water Absorption (BSP), [%] | < 0.2 | | ASTM D 5147 |
| Heat Resistance @120°C | No Flow | | DIN EN 52 123 |
| Low temperature flexibility @ 0°C | No Crack | | ASTM D 5147 |
| Resistance to Ageing | No Deterioration | | ASTM G 154 |
| Dimensional Stability, [%] | < 1 | | ASTM D 6222 |
| VOC [g/l] | < 50 | | ASTM D3960 / D2369 |

All values given are subject to 5-20% tolerance

SUPPLY

| | | | |
|--------------|-----|----------------------|----------------------|
| BITUPLUS PX | 4mm | 1 m x 10m, | wt 41kg [#] |
| POLYPRIME SB | | 20L pail & 200L drum | |
| BITUMASTIC | | 20kg pail | |

*Refer to website for TDS

[#] Approximate weight

Apart from the information given here it is also important to observe the relevant guidelines and regulations of various organisations and trade associations as well as the respective standards. The aforementioned characteristics are based on practical experience and applied testing. Warranted properties and possible uses which go beyond those warranted in this information sheet require our written confirmation. All data given was obtained at an ambient and material temperature of +23°C and 50 % relative air humidity at laboratory conditions unless specified otherwise. Please note that under other climatic conditions hardening can be accelerated or delayed.

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