

Bitustick XLS

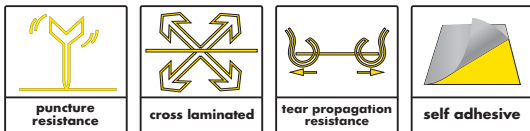
Solar reflective white cross laminated waterproofing membrane

Polymer modified bituminous self adhesive waterproofing membrane



CHARACTERISTICS

- ▶ Can be left exposed temporarily without losing its adhesion and prevents formation of bubbles
- ▶ Cold applied, self-adhesive and easy to apply.
- ▶ Excellent adhesion to vertical and horizontal surfaces
- ▶ Excellent resistance to chlorides, sulphates, alkalis and acids
- ▶ Excellent tear and tensile strength
- ▶ Significant reduction in surface temperature over standard black membrane
- ▶ Self sealing / healing property against minor punctures



DESCRIPTION

Bitustick XLS is a solar reflective self adhesive waterproofing membrane manufactured out of a tropical grade of polymer modified bitumen. The bitumen compound is laminated onto a white solar reflective, cross laminated HDPE film. Bitustick XLS conforms to the requirements of BS 8102.

FIELDS OF APPLICATION

- concrete foundations & footings
- basements
- pile heads
- swimming pools & water retaining structures (externally)
- subways and retaining walls
- inverted roofs & parapets
- terraces, balconies & patios
- sunken slabs

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 self adhesive waterproofing system is as follows:

Surface Preparation

The surface shall be cleaned thoroughly of all contaminants like dust, traces of curing compound, oil and grease. All surface imperfections, protrusions, structurally unsound



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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 laps. All overlaps at the membrane seams shall be installed so as to have “up” slope laps over “down” slope laps. Begin membrane application by unrolling the roll of Bitustick XLS membrane and aligning the side laps. Re-roll the roll halfway and stand on the unrolled portion to prevent shifting.

Application

Peel off the release film from the self adhesive side and start unrolling the membrane and press it to the surface.

Smoothen the membrane from the center to the edges in order to drive out entrapped air with a wooden press. Furthermore, an iron roller shall be used for rolling on top of the applied membrane to ensure a proper and strong adhesion of the bitumen compound with base surface. Side overlaps shall be a minimum of 50mm on the selvedge and end overlaps 100mm.

Protection

Due to its white reflective film, the applied membrane can be left exposed for a maximum period of 7 days, after which it has to be protected with a tough, weather, warp and rot proof asphaltic protection board (Bituboard / Bitustick R300/ Bitustick R400)* to prevent any damage from backfilling and mechanical damage. Alternatively, on horizontal areas the membrane can also be protected by laying a cement sand screed (50mm). Bituboard can be fixed with a double sided adhesive bitumen tape (Bitutape TS)* or Bitubond N.

HANDLING

Bitustick XLS membranes are packed in loose corrugated boxes to avoid any damage during transit or during storage at sites. Care should be taken when storing the membranes at sites and should not be kept within close proximity of any sharp or protruding edges to avoid puncturing or damaging the membrane.

STORAGE & SHELF LIFE

Bitustick XLS membranes must be stored in a shaded area on wooden pallets neatly covered by a thick fabric and tied securely in a manner that will minimize exposure to sunlight & UV. The membrane shall be protected from all sources of heat. 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

Bitustick XLS contains a tacky bitumen compound and during application can adhere to human skin. Bitumen stains can be removed by using a cloth dipped in a suitable cleaner.

SUPPLY

Bitustick XLS	1.6 mm	1 m x 10m	wt 16kg#
	2.1 mm	1 m x 10m	wt 21kg#
Polyprime SB	20L pail & 200L drum		
Bituboard	3.2 mm	2m x 1m	wt 7.7kg#
	6.0 mm	2m x 1m	wt 14.0kg#
Bitustick R300	1 m x 10m		27kg#
Bitustick R400	1 m x 8m		22kg#
Bitutape TS	50mm x 10m		wt 0.6kg#
Wooden Press	140mm x 210mm		
Iron Roller (recommended specification)	Head dia 38mm Width 100mm Length 350mm	wt 1.5kg#	

Approximate weight

TECHNICAL SPECIFICATION

PROPERTIES	VALUES	TEST STANDARDS
Thickness, [mm]	1.6, 2.1	DIN EN 1849-1
Mass per unit area, [kg/m ²]	1.6, 2.1	DIN EN 1849-1
Color [backing film]	White	-
Softening point (R&B),	>105°C	ASTM D 36
Tensile strength [Film], [N/mm ²]	Long 49 Trans 46	ASTM D 882
Elongation [Film], [%]	Long 210 Trans 160	ASTM D 882
Tear strength [Film], [N/mm]	Long 280 Trans 280	ASTM D 1004
Adhesion strength, [N/mm]		ASTM D 1000
To primed substrate	1.8	
To self	2.2	
Puncture resistance, [N]	280	ASTM E 154
Solar reflectance, [%]	>80	EN 410
Water absorption, [Film][%] @ 24 hrs	<0.14	ASTM D 570
Chemical resistance [pH]	2.5 - 11.5	ASTM D 543
Cold temp flexibility,	<-15 °C	ASTM D 1970
Crack bridging ability,	1.5 mm	ASTM C 836
Hydrostatic pressure @ 7bar (70m)	No leakage	BS EN 12390 (Part 8)
VOC [g/l]	<50	ASTM D 3960/ D 2369

All values given are subject to 5 - 10% variation

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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