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Visqueen Self Adhesive Membrane

Features & benefits

- BBA certified third party accreditation
- Type A Barrier Membrane (Tanking Membrane) resistant to ground water in accordance with BS 8102:2022
- Also provides radon and damp proof membrane protection
- Self adhesive application no jointing tapes required

Product description

Visqueen Self Adhesive Membrane is a modified bitumen rubber membrane with a black self adhesive coating protected by a removable release film. It is dark grey on the upper surface and supplied in rolls $1m \times 20m$.

Approvals and standards

- Third party accreditation (BBA 15/5208)
- Suitable for use as a Type A Barrier Membrane (Tanking Membrane) to BS 8102:2022
- Conforms to the specification requirements of BR 211:2023
- UKCA UKNI CE to EN 13969:2004
- Visqueen certified with Quality Management System ISO 9001:2015
- Visqueen certified with Occupational Health and Safety System ISO 45001:2018
- Visqueen certified with Environmental Management System ISO 14001:2015

Usage

Visqueen Self Adhesive Membrane is a cold applied product, suitable for use as a Type A Barrier Membrane (Tanking Membrane) for above and below ground applications e.g. basements, retaining walls and lift pits. The membrane can be applied to a variety of substrates including concrete, flush pointed blockwork, flush pointed brickwork, particle boards and steelwork, in both vertical and horizontal applications.

The membrane can be used to achieve one form of waterproofing to Grades 1, 2 and 3 as defined in BS 8102:2022.

System components

- Visqueen HP Tanking Primer, 5L
- Visqueen Pile Cap Sealer, 25kg
- Visqueen Top Hat Units
- Visqueen TreadGUARD 1500, 1m x 2m
- Visqueen IGW5 and IGW10 Waterstops

Storage and handling

Visqueen Self Adhesive Membrane should be stored vertically under cover in its original packaging.

Care should be taken when handling the product in line with current manual handling regulations.

Preparation

All surfaces to which Visqueen Self Adhesive Membrane are to be applied should be free from cavities or projections, have a smooth finish, be dry and free from dust, loose particles and frost. Masonry, concrete or metal surfaces should be primed using Visqueen HP Tanking Primer and allowed to dry thoroughly.

When applying to blockwork or brickwork the joints must be flush pointed or the masonry rendered prior to applying the membrane.

The membrane can be cut with a sharp retractable safety knife.

Installation

Visqueen Self Adhesive Membrane lap joints should be a minimum of 150mm and should be pressed and rollered to form a continuous bond and to ensure watertightness.

At 90 degree changes of direction a Visqueen Axiom UniSeal fillet should be formed prior to membrane installation.

For vertical applications cut the membrane to a suitable length allowing an additional 150mm for laps. Position and peel back release film and apply the self adhesive face to the substrate. Apply pressure to ensure a full bond is achieved. Commence at the top of the wall and work downwards, progressively removing the release film.

For horizontal applications unroll the membrane where required allowing an additional 150mm for laps. Re-roll one half of the membrane and cut release film taking care not to damage the membrane. Roll out the membrane progressively removing the release film. Use a soft broom over the top of the membrane to ensure full adhesion to the substrate. Repeat for the other half of the roll.

Watertight seals should be formed around all service entry points. Visqueen Preformed Top Hat Units or Visqueen

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Self Adhesive Membrane should be used for sealing service entry pipes.

If the membrane is punctured or perforated, a patch of the same material should be lapped and bonded at least 150mm beyond the extents of the puncture.

The membrane should always be fully protected immediately after it is installed. When used externally on a retaining wall, the membrane should be protected from backfill with Visqueen TreadGUARD 1500. Alternatively, where external drainage is also required the membrane can be protected with Visqueen Protect&Drain.

When forming day joints, the upper edge of the membrane should be adequately secured e.g. bonding onto the top of the retaining wall, or if terminated on a vertical face, the upper edge should be secured with Visqueen Fixing Strip and Visqueen Fixings Pins for Masonry.

Usable temperature range

It is recommended that Visqueen Self Adhesive Membrane and all associated system components should not be installed below 5°C.

The membrane requires no additional bonding methods however during cold weather conditions the application of hot air to the self adhesive coating will aid adhesion.

Additional information

Where hazardous ground gases are present use Visqueen Gas Resistant Self Adhesive Membrane. Where concrete construction joints occur Visqueen IGW Waterstop system should be incorporated. Where wall ties penetrate the membrane, seal with Visqueen Axiom UniSeal. When waterproof concrete is required, or for additional detailing information, contact Visqueen Technical Services +44 (0) 333 202 6800.

The information in this datasheet was correct at the time of publication. It is the user's responsibility to obtain the latest version of the datasheet as it is updated on a regular basis. The information contained in the latest datasheet supersedes all previously published editions.

Characteristic	Test method	Units	Compliance criteria	Value or statement
Length	EN 1848-2	m	-50mm/+100mm	20
Width	EN 1848-2	m	-1%/+2%	1
Thickness	EN 1849-2	mm	±1mm	1.5
Mass	EN 1849-2	g/m²	MDV	1650
Straightness	EN 1848-1	-	MDV	≤10mm/10m
Watertightness to 60kPa for 24 hours (A)	EN 1928	-	No leakage	Pass
Durability after artificial ageing	EN1296 then EN 1928	-	Pass/Fail	Pass
Resistance to tearing (nail shank) MD	EN 12310-1	N	MDV	135
Resistance to tearing (nail shank) CD	EN 12310-1	N	MDV	135
Water vapour transmission	EN 1931	μ	±30%	90000
Resistance to static loading - Concrete (A)	EN 12730	kg	MLV	10
Resistance to static loading - EPS (B)	EN 12730	kg	MLV	15
Resistance to impact - Hard surface (A)	EN 12691	mm	MLV	500
Resistance to impact - Soft surface (B)	EN 12691	mm	MDV	500
Sheer resistance of joints	EN 12317	N/50mm	MLV	350
Tensile strength MD	EN 12311	N/50mm	MLV	215
Tensile strength CD	EN 12311	N/50mm	MLV	220
Elongation at maximum load MD	EN 12311	%	MLV	310
Elongation at maximum load CD	EN 12311	%	MLV	340
Flexibility at low temperature	EN 1109	ōС	MLV	-30

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Radon permeability	SP Method	m²/s	MDV	5.7x10 ⁻¹²
Reaction to fire	EN 13501-1	Class	MDV	Е

Health and safety information

Refer to the Visqueen Self Adhesive Membrane safety datasheet (SDS).

About Visqueen

Visqueen is a leading provider of construction membrane technologies and design-based solutions for ground gas, structural waterproofing, damp proofing and fire protection.

We offer complete support at every stage of the specification, including the supply chain process. As the UK's principal technical authority, we are best placed to ensure that the principal designer and contractor specify the most technically suited, durable, and competitive solution to guarantee their project is protected for the lifetime of the building.

Visqueen is at the forefront of advanced membrane technology and innovation in the construction industry, earning the trust and loyalty of specifiers throughout the UK and Europe.

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Damp Proof Course

Temporary Protection

Visqueen Technical Support

Visqueen offer a comprehensive full nationwide technical support. Our team of CSSW qualified technical support managers provide on site design-based solutions for specifiers, contractors and builders merchants, and will ensure that from design stage to installation the project is fully risk assessed and the specification is approved by

Our Technical Office, can design, prepare and manage CAD detailing, together with assisting in quantity take offs, while offering advice on technical installations and product selection.

Competency & Design

Visqueen promotes competency in building design by ensuring that its technical team possesses the necessary skills, knowledge, experience, and ethical practices. The company adopts the "golden thread of information," ensuring all project data is digitally secure and accessible throughout a building's lifecycle. This approach aligns with the Building Safety Act and aims to foster accountability and compliance with evolving regulations, providing clients with confidence in the safety and reliability of their projects.

Visqueen CPD Seminars

Visqueen's CPD Seminars offer insights into Building Regulations, Standards, and industry guidance related to damp proofing, hazardous ground gas protection, and structural waterproofing. These one-hour seminars are tailored for construction design professionals and delivered by our Technical Support Managers. Visit our website to book a free CPD.

Visqueen Contract Design Services

Visqueen Contract Design Services offers a bespoke design service led by our team of Certified Surveyors in Structural Waterproofing (CSSW), providing experienced and specialised waterproofing design expertise for complex projects. We provide comprehensive support throughout the entire project, ensuring that all work meets the requirements of warranty providers and adheres to the highest standards of quality, reliability and current legislation.

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UK. These include one-day product awareness sessions for distributors and builders' merchants, and intensive twoday courses for hands-on product installation training. Contact us for more information.