

# **Technical Datasheet**

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# Solshield Reinforced Gas Barrier



## **Description:**

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- NHBC Standards 2019, Chapters 4.1/5.1.
- CE Mark EN13967:2012.
- CP 102:1973.
- BS8000-4:1989.
- BS8000-0:2014.

### General:

- Solshield Reinforced Gas Membrane should not be installed at temperatures below 5°C, to prevent the risk of surface condensation.
- The membrane must be installed and fixed in accordance with the relevant clauses in BRE Report BR 211:2015.
- The membrane should be installed on a sand blinding layer, Solshield P30 protection fleece, or a smooth concrete float finish. In order to provide a continuous barrier across the cavity, Solshield Reinforced Gas Barrier should be taken through the blockwork and incorporated below the damp proof course cavity tray in the outer leaf.
- Solshield Reinforced is suitable for installation with beam and block floor application with 150mm clear void.
- Long periods of exposure to ultraviolet light will reduce the effectiveness of the membrane.

# Venting:

- Solshield Reinforced can be used on site where passive or active ventilation is required.
- Solshield Geocomposite Drainage & Venting Mat should be used in conjunction with the relative vent connectors
  where required. These types of systems are designed on a bespoke site specific nature.
- Please contact us for our design advice.



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- Complies with latest codes of practice as published by the BRE and CIRIA.

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### **Technical Data:**

Property	Test Method	Value
Thickness	EN 1849-2	0.60mm
Thickness - Between Scrim	Micrometer	0.40mm
Width	EN 1849-2	2.0m
Length	EN 1849-2	50m
Weight	EN 1849-2	400g/m <sup>2</sup>
Hydraulic Properties		
Water Column Test	EN 20811	Pass
Water Vapour Transmission (Moisture Resistance Factor)	EN 1931	130m
Watertightness	EN 1928 (A)	Pass
Mechanical Properties		
Resistance to Static Load	EN 12730-B	20kg
Tensile Strength (MD)	EN 12311 - 1	600 N/50mm
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Tensile Elongation (MD)	EN 12310 - 1	15%
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Puncture Resistance (CBR)	EN 12236	1.25 kN
Resistance to Tearing (Nail Shank) (MD)	EN 12310 - 1	500 N
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<b>Durability and Chemical Resistance</b>		
Radon Diffusion Co-Efficient	K124/02/95	1.7x10 <sup>-11</sup> m <sup>2</sup> /s

# Storage and Handling on Site:

- Solshield Reinforced is classified as non-hazardous (code of practice CP102 1973).
- Rolls should be stored on a flat surface, kept under cover, and protected from sunlight and mechanical damage. The product is chemically inert and any acids or alkalis present in the subsoil will not affect the membrane.
- Do not use when exposed to sunlight and general outdoor weather conditions for long periods of time.
- Quality control during the laying of the membrane is extremely important.
- The membrane should be protected either through the use of temporary protection over its whole area or the immediate laying of the concrete slab. Care should be taken when handling building materials over the exposed surface.

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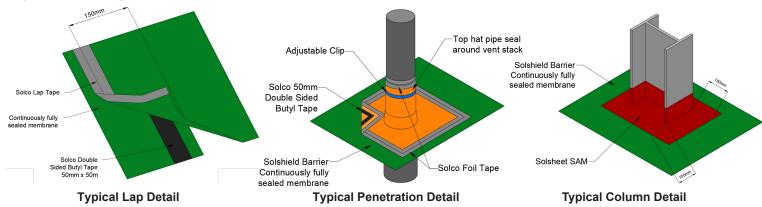
#### Installation:

- 1. The membrane must only be applied to surfaces that have a smooth finish free from voids, projections, and mortar deposits. Surfaces should be dry and free from dust and frost. In order to provide a continuous barrier across the cavity, Solshield Reinforced should be taken through the blockwork and incorporated below the damp proof course cavity tray in the outer leaf.
- 2. Concrete surfaces should be dense. Vertical surfaces of brickwork and blockwork must be dry and rendered to provide an even surface. Brickwork or blockwork not rendered must be flush pointed to give a smooth surface without sudden changes in level.
- 3. Solshield Reinforced is rolled out with the coloured side up, ensuring that it is properly aligned. All end and side overlaps should be a minimum of 150mm and prepared.
- 4. When the membrane is laid below the concrete slab, it should be loose-laid to accommodate any small movements.
- 5. All surfaces must be dried thoroughly prior to joining. Roll edges can be welded or taped.
- 6. The continuity of the damp proofing must extend over the footprint of the building, and the membrane must be sealed to a damp-proof course where required.
- 7. The membrane should be covered by a screed or other protective layer, such as Solco Protection Fleece, as soon as possible after installation. If blockwork protection is used, care must be taken to avoid damage to the membrane during construction. Care should be taken when handling building materials over the exposed surface.

#### Jointing Detail:

- 1. Apply Solco Double Sided Butyl Tape around 50mm from the membrane edge, leaving the backing paper on.
- 2. Lay the next membrane, overlapping the first by 150mm.
- 3. Remove the backing paper from the double sided butyl tape and join the top sheet to the bottom sheet, by applying pressure with a hand roller.
- 4. Where the membranes overlap, apply Solco Single Sided Foil Tape, equidistant on both membranes (see detail). All service entry points must have airtight seals. Top hats and corner pre-forms must be sealed using double sided butyl tape.

#### Typical Jointing Details for Solshield Reinforced



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#### Note:

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Solshield Reinforced System Accessories			
Solco Top Hats	Form an effective seal where a pipe, duct, or service penetrates Solsheet membranes.	Units	
Solco Double Sided Butyl Tape	A double-sided synthetic butyl mastic tape, used for securing joints and laps in DPC's, Cavity trays & pre-formed Cloaks.	Rolls	
Solco Foil Tape	A single-sided tape for securing laps & joints.	Rolls	
Solco Venting Accessories	Allows the effective venting of gas from beneath a building.	Units	
Solco Int / Ext Corners	Preformed units that ensure protection at corners.	Units	
Solcourse HP DPC	A flexible bitumen free polymeric damp proof course that is resistant to Radon.	Rolls	
Solco P30 Protection Fleece	Forms a protective layer to prevent damage to the membrane.	Rolls	
Solsheet Self-Adhesive Membrane	A cold-applied bitumen self-adhesive membrane.	Rolls	
Solseal HP Primer	Used to provide adhesion to bitumen enhanced geomembranes.	Tins	
Solshield Venting Mat	Cuspated (HDPE) drainage mat for providing a drainage / venting channel.	Rolls	
Solseal Flexible Liquid Membrane	A flexible and elastomeric membrane that provides protection to Radon when painted 2mm thick.	Tins	

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