

Section 071324

Pre-Applied Sheet Membrane Waterproofing

PART 1 — GENERAL

1.01 SUMMARY

- A. The Work of this Section includes, but is not limited to, pre-applied sheet membrane waterproofing that forms an integral bond to poured concrete for the following applications:
 - 1. Vertical Applications: Membrane applied against soil retention system prior to placement of concrete foundation walls;
 - 2. Horizontal Applications: Membrane applied on prepared subbase prior to placement of concrete slabs.
- B. Related sections include, but are not limited to, the following:
 - 1. Section 031000 - Concrete Forming
 - 2. Section 312000 – Earth Moving
 - 3. Section 031500 – Concrete Accessories
 - 4. Section 031500 – Hydrophilic Waterstop
 - 5. Section 316200 - Driven Piles
 - 6. Section 316400 - Caissons
 - 1. Section 032000 - Concrete Reinforcing
 - 2. Section 033000 – Cast-In-Place Concrete

1.02 SUBMITTALS

- A. Submit manufacturer's product data, installation instructions and membrane samples for approval.

1.03 REFERENCE STANDARDS

- A. The following standards and publications are applicable to the extent referenced in the text.
- B. American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM):
 - C 836 Standard Specification for High Solids, Cold Liquid-Applied Elastomeric Waterproofing Membrane for Use with Separate Wearing Course
 - D 412 Standard Test Methods for Rubber Properties in Tension
 - D 570 Standard Test Method for Water Absorption of Plastics
 - D 903 Standard Test Method for Peel or Stripping Strength of Adhesive Bonds
 - D 1876 Standard Test Method for Peel Release of Adhesives (T-Peel)
 - D 1970 Standard Specification for Self-Adhering Polymer Modified Bituminous Sheet Materials Used as Steep Roofing Underlayment for Ice Dam Protection
 - D 3767 Standard Practice for Rubber - Measurements of Dimensions
 - D 5385 Standard Test Method for Hydrostatic Pressure Resistance of Waterproofing Membranes
 - E 96 Standard Test Methods for Water Vapor Transmission of Materials

E 154 Standard Test Methods for Water Vapor Retarders Used in Contact with Earth Under Concrete Slabs, on Walls, or as Ground Cover

1.04 QUALITY ASSURANCE

- A. Manufacturer: Sheet membrane waterproofing system shall be manufactured and marketed by a firm with a minimum of 20 years experience in the production and sales of waterproofing. Manufacturers proposed for use but not named in these specifications shall submit evidence of ability to meet all requirements specified.
- B. Installer: A firm which has at least 3 years experience in work of the type required by this section.
- C. Materials: For each type of material required for the work of this section, provide primary materials which are the products of one manufacturer.
- D. Pre-Installation Conference: A pre-installation conference shall be held prior to commencement of field operations to establish procedures to maintain optimum working conditions and to coordinate this work with related and adjacent work. Agenda for meeting shall include review of special details and flashing.
- E. Schedule Coordination: Schedule work such that membrane will not be left exposed to weather for longer than that recommended by the manufacturer.

1.05 DELIVERY, STORAGE AND HANDLING

- A. Deliver materials in labeled packages. Store and handle in strict compliance with manufacturer's instructions. Protect from damage from weather, excessive temperature and construction operations. Remove and dispose of damaged material in accordance with applicable regulations.

1.06 PROJECT CONDITIONS

- A. Perform work only when existing and forecasted weather conditions are within the limits established by the manufacturer of the materials used. Proceed with installation only when the substrate construction and preparation work is complete and in condition to receive sheet membrane waterproofing.

1.07 WARRANTY

- A. Sheet Membrane Waterproofing: Provide written five year material warranty issued by the membrane manufacturer upon completion of work.

PART 2 — PRODUCTS

2.01 MATERIALS

- A. Pre-applied Integrally Bonded Sheet Waterproofing Membrane: Aussie Skin 550 for application temperatures between 25°F and 90°F by AVM Industries, Inc., a 1.2mm (0.046 in) nominal thickness composite sheet membrane comprising 0.8 mm (0.030 in.) of high density polyethylene film, and layers of specially formulated synthetic adhesive layers. The membrane shall form an integral and permanent bond to poured concrete to prevent water migration at the interface of the membrane and structural concrete. Provide membrane with the following physical properties:

MINIMUM PHYSICAL PROPERTIES:

Property	Test Method	Typical Value
Color		White
Thickness	ASTM D 3767 Method A	1.2 mm (0.046 in.) nominal
Lateral Water Migration Resistance	ASTM D 5385 Modified ¹	Pass at 71 m (231 ft) of hydrostatic head pressure
Low Temperature Flexibility	ASTM D 1970	Unaffected at -29°C (-20°F)
Elongation	ASTM D 412 Modified ²	500%
Crack Cycling at -23°C (-9.4°F), 100 Cycles	ASTM C 836	Unaffected, Pass
Tensile Strength, film	ASTM D 412	27.6 MPa (4,000 lbs/in. ²)
Peel Adhesion to Concrete	ASTM D 903 Modified ³	880 N/m (5.0 lbs/in.)
Lap Adhesion	ASTM D 1876 Modified ⁴	880 N/m (5.0 lbs/in.)
Resistance to Hydrostatic Head	ASTM D 5385 Modified ⁵	71 m (231 ft)
Puncture Resistance	ASTM E 154	990 N (221 lbs)
Permeance	ASTM E 96 Method B	0.6 ng/Pa x s x m ² (0.01 perms)
Water Absorption	ASTM D 570	0.5%

PART 3 — EXECUTION

3.01 EXECUTION

- A. The installer shall examine conditions of substrates and other conditions under which this work is to be performed and notify the Contractor, in writing, of circumstances detrimental to the proper completion of the work. Do not proceed with work until unsatisfactory conditions are corrected.

3.02 SUBSTRATE PREPARATION

- A. It is essential to create a sound and solid substrate to eliminate movement during the concrete placement. Substrates must be regular and smooth with no gaps or voids greater than 0.5 in. (12 mm). Grout around all penetrations such as utility conduits, etc. for stability.
 - 1. Horizontal Surfaces - The substrate must be free of loose aggregate and sharp protrusions. Avoid curved or rounded substrates. When installing over earth or crushed stone, ensure substrate is well compacted to avoid displacement of substrate due to traffic or concrete placement. The surface does not need to be dry, but standing water must be removed.
 - 2. Vertical Surfaces - Use concrete, plywood, insulation or other approved facing to sheet piling to provide support to the membrane. Board systems such as timber lagging must be close butted to provide support and not more than 0.5 in. (12 mm) out of alignment. Installation of a AVM Drainmat 6000 can be used to span gaps up to 2 inches wide.

3.03 INSTALLATION, HORIZONTAL APPLICATIONS

- A. Strictly comply with installation instructions in manufacturer's published literature, including but not limited to, the following:
 - 1. Place the membrane HDPE film side to the substrate with the granulated surface facing up. End laps should be staggered to avoid a build-up of layers.
 - 2. Accurately position succeeding sheets to overlap the previous sheet along the selvedge. Ensure the underside of the succeeding sheet is clean, dry and free from contamination before attempting to overlap.
 - 3. Peel back the plastic release liner from between the overlaps as the two layers are bonded together. Ensure a continuous bond is achieved without creases and roll firmly with a heavy roller.

3.04 INSTALLATION, VERTICAL APPLICATIONS

- A. Strictly comply with installation instructions in manufacturer's published literature, including but not limited to, the following:
 - 1. Mechanically fasten the membrane vertically using fasteners appropriate to the substrate and installed only on the blind-lap.
 - 2. Any fastener placed in the field of the membrane must be sealed as per the standard manufacturer requirements.
 - 3. The membrane may be installed in any convenient length.
 - 4. Fastening through the selvedge using a small and low profile head fastener so that the membrane lays flat and allows firmly rolled overlaps.

5. Ensure the underside of the succeeding sheet is clean, dry and free from contamination before attempting to overlap.
6. Roll firmly to ensure a watertight seal.
7. Overlap all roll ends and cut edges by a minimum 3 in. (75 mm) and ensure the area is clean and free from contamination, wiping with a damp cloth if necessary.

3.05 WATERSTOP INSTALLATION

- A. Strictly comply with installation instructions in manufacturer's published literature.

3.06 PROTECTION

- A. Protect membrane in accordance with manufacturer's recommendations until placement of concrete. Inspect for damage just prior to placement of concrete and make repairs in accordance with manufacturer's recommendations.
- B. Product may not be exposed to sunlight for longer than 60 days.

END OF SECTION