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Agrément Certificate

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Product Sheet 2

FLEX-R WATERPROOFING SYSTEMS

LQD-PUR 25 POLYURETHANE WATERPROOFING SYSTEM

This Agrément Certificate Product Sheet⁽¹⁾ relates to the LQD-PUR 25 Polyurethane Waterproofing System, for use as a roof waterproofing on new and existing flat and pitched roofs with limited access.

(1) Hereinafter referred to as 'Certificate'.

CERTIFICATION INCLUDES:

- factors relating to compliance with Building Regulations where applicable
- factors relating to additional non-regulatory information where applicable
- independently verified technical specification
- assessment criteria and technical investigations
- design considerations
- installation guidance
- regular surveillance of production
- formal three-yearly review.



KEY FACTORS ASSESSED

Weathertightness — the system will resist the passage of moisture to the interior of a building (see section 6).

Properties in relation to fire — the system may enable a roof to be unrestricted under the national Building Regulations (see section 7).

Adhesion — the adhesion of the system is sufficient to resist the effects of any likely wind suction and the effects of thermal or other minor movement likely to occur in practice (see section 8).

Resistance to mechanical damage — the system will accept, without damage, the limited foot traffic and loads associated with installation and maintenance (see section 9).

Durability — under normal service conditions, the system will provide a durable waterproof covering with a service life of in excess of 25 years (see section 11).

The BBA has awarded this Certificate to the company named above for the system described herein. This system has been assessed by the BBA as being fit for its intended use provided it is installed, used and maintained as set out in this Certificate.

On behalf of the British Board of Agrément

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Regulations

In the opinion of the BBA, the LQD-PUR 25 Polyurethane Waterproofing System, if installed, used and maintained in accordance with this Certificate, can satisfy or contribute to satisfying the relevant requirements of the following Building Regulations (the presence of a UK map indicates that the subject is related to the Building Regulations in the region or regions of the UK depicted):



The Building Regulations 2010 (England and Wales) (as amended)

Requirement:	B4(1)	External fire spread
Comment:		The system, in some circumstances, is restricted by this Requirement. See section 7.3 of this Certificate.
Requirement:	B4(2)	External fire spread
Comment:		On a suitable substructure, the system can enable a roof to be unrestricted under this Requirement. See sections 7.1 and 7.2 of this Certificate.
Requirement:	C2(b)	Resistance to moisture
Comment:		The system will enable a roof to satisfy this Requirement. See section 6 of this Certificate.
Regulation:	7(1)	Materials and workmanship
Comment:		The system is acceptable. See section 11 and the <i>Installation</i> part of this Certificate.



The Building (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (as amended)

Regulation:	8(1)(2)	Durability, workmanship and fitness of materials
Comment:		The use of the system satisfies the requirements of this Regulation. See sections 10.1 and 11 and the <i>Installation</i> part of this Certificate.
Regulation:	9	Building standards applicable to construction
Standard comment	2.6	Spread to neighbouring buildings The system is restricted under clause 2.6.4 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾ of this Standard in some circumstances. See section 7.4 of this Certificate.
Standard:	2.8	Spread from neighbouring buildings
Comment:		The system, when applied to a suitable structure, can be regarded as having low vulnerability under clause 2.8.1 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾ of this Standard. See sections 7.1 and 7.2 of this Certificate.
Standard:	3.10	Precipitation
Comment:		The use of the system will enable a roof to satisfy the requirements of this Standard with reference to clauses 3.10.1 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾ and 3.10.7 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾ . See section 6 of this Certificate.
Standard:	7.1(a)	Statement of sustainability
Comment:		The system can contribute to meeting the relevant requirements of Regulation 9, Standards 1 to 6 and therefore will contribute to a construction meeting a bronze level of sustainability as defined in this Standard.
Regulation:	12	Building standards applicable to conversions
Comment:		Comments in relation to the system under Regulation 9, Standards 1 to 6 also apply to this Regulation, with reference to clause 0.12.1 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾ and Schedule 6 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾ .

(1) Technical Handbook (Domestic).

(2) Technical Handbook (Non-Domestic).



The Building Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2012 (as amended)

Regulation:	23(a)	Fitness of materials and workmanship
Comment:	(b)(i)	The system is acceptable. See section 11 and the <i>Installation</i> part of this Certificate.
Regulation:	28(b)	Resistance to moisture and weather
Comment:		The system will enable a roof to satisfy the requirements of this Regulation. See section 6 of this Certificate.
Regulation:	36(b)	External fire spread
Comment:		On suitable substructures, the use of the system can enable a roof to be unrestricted under this Regulation. See sections 7.1 and 7.2 of this Certificate.

Construction (Design and Management) Regulations 2015

Construction (Design and Management) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2016

Information in this Certificate may assist the client, designer (including Principal Designer) and contractor (including Principal Contractor) to address their obligations under these Regulations.

See section: *3 Delivery and site handling* of this Certificate.

Additional Information

NHBC Standards 2021

In the opinion of the BBA, the LQD-PUR 25 Polyurethane Waterproofing System, if installed, used and maintained in accordance with this Certificate, can satisfy or contribute to satisfying the relevant requirements in relation to *NHBC Standards, Chapter 7.1 Flat roofs terraces and balconies*.

The NHBC Standards do not cover the use of the system in the refurbishment of existing roofs.

Technical Specification

1 Description

1.1 The LQD-PUR 25 Polyurethane Waterproofing System consists of:

- LQD-PUR Coat A — a single part (moisture triggered) polyurethane for use as base coat
- LQD-PUR Coat B — a single part (moisture triggered) polyurethane
- LQD-PUR Reinforcement Matt — for use as system reinforcement
- LQD-PUR GP Primer— a one-part primer, for preparing exposed bitumen roofing membranes and porous asphalt, cementitious and timber substrates where required
- LQD-PUR PVC Primer — a one-part primer, for preparing PVC single-ply membranes prior to application of the embedment coat
- LQD-PUR Metal Primer— a two-part primer for preparing metal substrates
- LQD-PUR Reactivator— for preparing LQD-PUR Coat A left for more than five days and aged areas under repair prior to the application of new coats.

1.2 Table 1 gives the physical characteristics of the liquid components of the system.

Table 1 Physical characteristics

Physical characteristics	LQD-PUR Coat A	LQD-PUR Coat B	LQD-PUR GP Primer	LQD-PUR PVC Primer	LQD-PUR Metal Primer Part A/B	LQD-PUR Reactivator
Colour	Light grey/red	dark grey	brown	clear	beige	clear
Cure/drying time at 20°C	6 to 12 hours	6 to 12 hours	60 to 120 minutes	20 to 60 minutes	2 to 4 hours	4 hours approximately

1.3 A proprietary carrier membrane is used over substrates with joints, such as insulation boards or plywood decking, and beneath the system. The Certificate holder’s Technical Services department should be contacted for further advice.

2 Manufacture

2.1 The liquid components of the system are manufactured by a batch-blending process.

2.2 As part of the assessment and ongoing surveillance of product quality, the BBA has:

- agreed with the manufacturer the quality control procedures and product testing to be undertaken
- assessed and agreed the quality control operated over batches of incoming materials
- monitored the production process and verified that it is in accordance with the documented process
- evaluated the process for management of nonconformities
- checked that equipment has been properly tested and calibrated
- undertaken to carry out the above measures on a regular basis through a surveillance process, to verify that the specifications and quality control operated by the manufacturer are being maintained.

2.3 The management system of the manufacturer has been assessed and registered as meeting the requirements of BS EN ISO 9001 : 2015.

3 Delivery and site handling

3.1 The liquid components packaging bear the component’s name, batch number, Health and Safety data, and the BBA logo incorporating the number of this Certificate. Table 2 gives the packaging types and sizes.

Table 2 Packaging and storage

System component	Packaging type	Size	Storage temperature (C°)	Shelf-life (months)
LQD-PUR Coat A	Can	15 litres	5 - 25	12
LQD-PUR Coat B	Can	15 litres	5 - 25	12
LQD-PUR PVC Primer	Can	5 and 25 litres	5 - 25	12
LQD-PUR GP Primer	Can	5 and 25 litres	5 - 25	6
LQD-PUR Metal Primer (Part A and Part B)	Kit	4 litres	5 - 25	12
LQD-PUR Reactivator	Can	5 and 25 litres	5 - 25	6

3.2 The liquid components should be stored in a dry, shaded area and away from ignition sources. The shelf-lives given in Table 2 are for the storage temperature range as quoted, at higher temperatures the shelf-life will reduce progressively.

3.3 The Certificate holder has taken the responsibility of classifying and labelling the system components under the *CLP Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008 on the classification, labelling and packaging of substances and mixtures*. Users must refer to the relevant Safety Data Sheet(s).

Assessment and Technical Investigations

The following is a summary of the assessment and technical investigations carried out on the LQD-PUR 25 Polyurethane Waterproofing System .

4 General

4.1 The LQD-PUR 25 Polyurethane Waterproofing System is satisfactory for use as a system on flat and pitched roofs with limited access on:

- concrete
- asphalt
- bituminous roofing membranes, including mineral surfaced
- steel
- PVC membranes
- existing polyurethane coatings
- plywood in conjunction with a specified carrier membrane
- polyisocyanurate (PIR) foam insulation boards in conjunction with a specified carrier membrane
- mineral wool insulation boards in conjunction with a specified carrier membrane.

4.2 Decks to which the system is to be applied must comply with the relevant requirements of BS 6229 : 2018 and, where appropriate, *NHBC Standards 2021*, Chapter 7.1.

4.4 Limited access roofs are defined for the purpose of this Certificate as those subjected only to pedestrian traffic for maintenance of the roof covering, cleaning of gutters, etc, where traffic in excess of this is envisaged, special precautions, such as additional protection, must be taken.

4.5 Flat roofs are defined for the purpose of this Certificate as those having a minimum finished fall of 1:80. When designing flat roofs, twice the minimum finished fall should be assumed unless a detailed analysis of the roof is available, including overall and local deflection, direction of falls, etc.

4.6 Pitched roofs are defined for the purpose of this Certificate as those having falls in excess of 1:6.

4.7 Insulation materials to be used in conjunction with the system must be in accordance with the Certificate holder's instructions and must be either:

- as described in the relevant clauses of BS 6229 : 2018, or
- the subject of a current BBA Certificate and used in accordance with the scope of that Certificate.

5 Practicability of installation

Installation of the system must be carried out only by specialist roofing contractors trained and approved by the Certificate holder.

6 Weathertightness



The system will adequately resist the passage of moisture to the interior of a building and so satisfies the requirements of the national Building Regulations.

7 Properties in relation to fire



7.1 When classified in accordance with BS EN 13501-5 : 2016 the following systems achieved a B_{ROOF}(t4) classification:

System (Testing orientation)	Substrate	Primer + AVCL	Insulation Layer(s)	Primer + Carrier Membrane	Basecoats and Reinforcement	Topcoats
System 1 (F & S)	An 18 mm thick orientated strand board (OSB) substrate	N/A	N/A	Spray applied Primer with a 0.6 mm thick self-adhesive Carrier Membrane	A layer of Coat A applied at 1.0 ℓ·m ⁻² (1.5 kg·m ⁻²) with 225 g·m ⁻² reinforcement mat embedded	Two layers of Coat B applied at 0.75 ℓ·m ⁻² (1.125 kg·m ⁻²) per layer
System 2 (S)		Spray applied Primer with a 0.6 mm thick self-adhesive AVCL	60 mm PIR			
System 3 (F)			240 mm PIR			
System 4 (F)		N/A	N/A	Spray applied Primer with a 0.6 mm thick self-adhesive Carrier Membrane		
System 5 (F)		Spray applied Primer with a 0.6 mm thick self-adhesive AVCL	25 mm PIR			
System 6 (F)			30 mm MW			
System 7 (F)			550 mm PIR			
System 8 (F)			565 mm MW			

F: Flat roofs (The test is applicable to systems applied to roofs of pitches between 0 to 10°)

S: Sloped Roofs (The test is applicable to systems applied to roofs of pitches between 10 to 70°)

PIR: polyisocyanurate insulation board

MW: mineral wool insulation



7.2 The designation of other specifications should be confirmed by reference to the requirements of the documents supporting the national Building Regulations.



7.3 In England and Wales the system, when used in pitches of greater than 70°, excluding upstands, should not be used on buildings that have a storey at least 18 m above ground level and contain: one or more dwellings, an institution, a room for residential purposes (excluding any room in a hostel, hotel or boarding house), student accommodation, care homes, sheltered housing, hospitals or dormitories in boarding schools.



7.4 In Scotland the system, when used in pitches of greater than 70°, excluding upstands, should not be used on buildings that have a storey more than 11 m above ground level.

8 Adhesion

The adhesion of the system to the substrates and finishes indicated in section 4.1 is sufficient to resist the effects of any wind suction, elevated temperatures, thermal shock or minor movement likely to occur in practice.

9 Resistance to mechanical damage

9.1 The system can accept, without damage, the limited foot traffic and light concentrated loads associated with installation and maintenance. However, reasonable care should be taken to avoid puncture by sharp objects or concentrated loads.

9.2 The system can achieve a result of I3 with respect to dynamic indentation and L3 with respect to static indentation when tested in accordance with EOTA TR006 and EOTA TR007, respectively.

9.3 The system is capable of accepting minor structural movement while remaining weathertight.

10 Maintenance



10.1 The system should be the subject of six monthly inspections and maintenance in accordance with the recommendations in BS 6229 : 2018, Chapter 7, to ensure continued satisfactory performance.

10.2 Any damage should be repaired in accordance with section 15 of this Certificate and the Certificate holder's instructions.

11 Durability



Under normal service conditions, the system will provide a durable waterproof covering with a service life of in excess of 25 years.

Installation

12 General

12.1 Installation of the LQD-PUR 25 Polyurethane Waterproofing System must be carried out only by specialist roofing contractors trained and approved by the Certificate holder, in accordance with the relevant clauses of BS 8000-0 : 2014, BS 8000-4 : 1989, the Certificate holder's instructions and this Certificate.

12.2 All of the system components must be applied when the air and substrate temperatures are greater than 5°C. Special precautions may be necessary when temperatures exceed 30°C, advice can be obtained from the Certificate holder.

12.3 Detailing (eg upstands) is carried out in accordance with the Certificate holder's instructions.

13 Site and surface preparation

13.1 Substrates on which the system is to be applied must be properly prepared in accordance with the Certificate holder's instructions.

13.2 Adhesion to substrates will depend on the condition and cleanness of the substrate. Substrates must be visibly dry, sound and free from loose materials or contamination (eg moss or algae).

13.3 The surface must be prepared to remove loose or flaking materials, and the substrate must be visibly dry before application of the system.

13.4 Damaged areas of the substrate (eg blistered membrane) must be removed, replaced or repaired. Substrate defects (eg shallow-bottomed cracks and indentations) are filled in accordance with the Certificate holder's instructions.

13.5 Deck surfaces must be free from sharp projections such as concrete nibs.

13.6 Gutters and outlets must be checked to ensure that they are, and remain, clear of all debris.

13.7 All points of potential weakness such as splits, cracks, joints and crazed surfaces must be additionally reinforced in accordance with the Certificate holder's instructions prior to application of the main system.

13.8 Most substrates require priming prior to the application of the system. The Certificate holder recommends peel-strength adhesion tests are carried out on-site, prior to application, in order to ensure sufficient adhesion can be achieved and to determine priming requirements.

13.9 The primers can be applied by brush or roller. Certain non-ferrous metals may also require special treatment and the advice of the Certificate holder should be sought in these cases. Primer coverage rates are given in Table 3:

Table 3 Primer application rates

Primer	Application rate (m ² ·ℓ ⁻¹)
LQD-PUR GP Primer	16 – 20
LQD-PUR Metal Primer	10 – 20
LQD-PUR PVC Primer	5 – 8
LQD-PUR Reactivator	8 – 10

14 Procedure

14.1 Application can be by brush or roller. Brush application is normally used only for small roof areas and, when used, for embedding the fibre mat reinforcement into the waterproofing at areas of detailing.

14.2 Work should only commence on an area if it can be carried out to the full thickness for that particular coat, before weather changes occur. Where weather interrupts installation between layers, installation can proceed up to five days, provided the surface is clean, without the need for LQD-PUR Reactivator.

14.3 The system is applied at the coverage rate for a smooth texture substrate given in Table 3. The advice of the Certificate holder on coverage rates for intermediate, rough, porous and undulating substrates must be sought. The LQD-PUR Reinforcement matt is embedded in the LQD-PUR Coat A while the membrane is still wet, ensuring a minimum overlap of 50 mm of runs of the reinforcement.

Table 4 System coverage rates and finished thickness

Layer (unit)	Full reinforcement system
LQD-PUR Coat A (l·m ⁻²)	1.0
Reinforcement	LQD-PUR Reinforcement Matt
LQD-PUR Coat B (l·m ⁻²)	0.75
LQD-PUR Coat B (l·m ⁻²)	0.75

14.4 The embedment coat is left to cure prior to the application of the first coat of LQD-PUR Coat B at the coverage rate given in Table 4 and left to cure before the second coat is applied and allowed to cure before any trafficking of the surface is allowed.

14.5 Random tests are carried out on the finished coating surface by cutting out small areas to measure finished cured thickness. Test areas must be repaired after the sample is taken.

15 Repair

The repair of minor damage to the system can be achieved effectively by cleaning back to the unweathered material with clean water or dilute detergent solution, allowing to dry, reactivating using LQD-PUR Reactivator if over five days old, and recoating the damaged area with the membrane at the recommended coverage rates given in section 14.3.

Technical Investigations

16 Tests

Tests were carried out and the results assessed to determine:

- water vapour transmission
- resistance to water penetration
- tensile strength and elongation
- tensile bond strength
- static indentation
- dynamic indentation
- resistance to fatigue movement
- UV ageing for 25 year equivalent, followed by tensile strength and dynamic indentation
- heat ageing for 25 year equivalent, followed by tensile strength, dynamic indentation and fatigue cycling

- water exposure for 25 year equivalent, followed by tensile bond strength and static indentation.

17 Investigations

17.1 The manufacturing process was evaluated, including the methods adopted for quality control, and details were obtained of the quality and composition of the materials used.

17.2 Data on fire performance were evaluated.

Bibliography

BS 6229 : 2018 *Flat roofs with continuously supported flexible waterproof coverings — Code of practice*

BS 8000-0 : 2014 *Workmanship on construction sites — Introduction and general principles*

BS 8000-4 : 1989 *Workmanship on building sites — Code of practice for waterproofing*

BS EN 13501-5 : 2016 *Fire classification of construction products and building elements — Classification using data from external fire exposure to roofs tests*

BS EN ISO 9001 : 2015 *Quality management systems — Requirements*

DD CEN/TS 1187 : 2012 *Test methods for external fire exposure to roofs*

EOTA TR 006 *Determination of the resistance to dynamic indentation*

EOTA TR 007 *Determination of the resistance to static indentation*

18 Conditions

18.1 This Certificate:

- relates only to the product/system that is named and described on the front page
- is issued only to the company, firm, organisation or person named on the front page – no other company, firm, organisation or person may hold or claim that this Certificate has been issued to them
- is valid only within the UK
- has to be read, considered and used as a whole document – it may be misleading and will be incomplete to be selective
- is copyright of the BBA
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18.2 Publications, documents, specifications, legislation, regulations, standards and the like referenced in this Certificate are those that were current and/or deemed relevant by the BBA at the date of issue or reissue of this Certificate.

18.3 This Certificate will remain valid for an unlimited period provided that the product/system and its manufacture and/or fabrication, including all related and relevant parts and processes thereof:

- are maintained at or above the levels which have been assessed and found to be satisfactory by the BBA
- continue to be checked as and when deemed appropriate by the BBA under arrangements that it will determine
- are reviewed by the BBA as and when it considers appropriate.

18.4 The BBA has used due skill, care and diligence in preparing this Certificate, but no warranty is provided.

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- any loss or damage, including personal injury, howsoever caused by the product/system, including its manufacture, supply, installation, use, maintenance and removal
- any claims by the manufacturer relating to CE marking.

18.6 Any information relating to the manufacture, supply, installation, use, maintenance and removal of this product/system which is contained or referred to in this Certificate is the minimum required to be met when the product/system is manufactured, supplied, installed, used, maintained and removed. It does not purport in any way to restate the requirements of the Health and Safety at Work etc. Act 1974, or of any other statutory, common law or other duty which may exist at the date of issue or reissue of this Certificate; nor is conformity with such information to be taken as satisfying the requirements of the 1974 Act or of any statutory, common law or other duty of care.