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Agrément Certificate

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Product Sheet 2

SIG WATERPROOFING SYSTEMS

HYDROSTOP AH15+ ROOF WATERPROOFING SYSTEM

This Agrément Certificate Product Sheet⁽¹⁾ relates to the Hydrostop AH15+ Roof Waterproofing System, a single-part, liquid-applied, modified polyurethane, for use in new and refurbishment works on flat and pitched roofs with limited and pedestrian 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 into the building (see section 6).

Properties in relation to fire — the system can 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).

Slip resistance — the system, when incorporating the anti-skid additive, has a satisfactory co-efficient of friction in wet and dry conditions to enable its use in pedestrian areas (see section 9).

Resistance to mechanical damage — the system will accept, without damage, the pedestrian traffic and loads associated with installation and maintenance (see section 10).

Durability — under normal service conditions, the system will provide a durable waterproof covering with a service life of at least 10 years (see section 12).



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 Hydrostop AH15+ Roof 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(2)	External fire spread
Comment:		On suitable substructures, the use of the system can enable a roof to be unrestricted under this Requirement. See section 7 of this Certificate.
Requirement:	C2(b)	Resistance to moisture
Comment:		The system will enable a roof to satisfy this Requirement. See section 6.1 of this Certificate.
Regulation:	7	Materials and workmanship (applicable to Wales only)
Regulation:	7(1)	Materials and workmanship (applicable to England only)
Comment:		The system is acceptable. See section 12 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 system can contribute to a construction satisfying this Regulation. See sections 11.1 and 12 and the <i>Installation</i> part of this Certificate.
Regulation:	9	Building standards applicable to construction
Standard:	2.8	Spread from neighbouring buildings
Comment:		The system, when applied to a suitable substrate, is regarded as having low vulnerability and can enable a roof to be unrestricted under this Standard, with reference to clause 2.8.1 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾ . See section 7 of this Certificate.
Standard:	3.10	Precipitation
Comment:		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 6.1 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)(b)(i)	Fitness of materials and workmanship
Comment:		The system is acceptable. See section 12 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 6.1 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 the requirements of this Regulation. See section 7 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 sections: 1 *Description* (1.3), 3 *Delivery and site handling* (3.2 to 3.4) of this Certificate.

Technical Specification

1 Description

1.1 The Hydrostop AH15+ Roof Waterproofing System is a modified polyurethane liquid-applied roof waterproofing system comprising:

- Hydrostop AH15+ Waterproof Coating — a single-part, moisture-triggered polyurethane waterproofing coating
- Hydrostop AH15+ Reinforcing Fabric — a fine polyester mesh for system reinforcement, 110 g·m⁻² mass per unit area
- Hydrostop AH+ Blocker Primer — for the preparation of bitumen membranes and asphalt prior to the application of the system
- Hydrostop AH+ WP Primer — for the preparation of timber substrates prior to the application of the system
- SIG Approved Carrier Membrane— a heat-activated, polyester-reinforced, SBS modified bitumen membrane for use as a carrier membrane over insulation boards
- Hydrostop AH+ Standard Quartz Sand — anti-skid additive with a granule size of 0.4 to 0.8mm for use in areas of pedestrian traffic
- Hydrostop Transparent — used to seal the applied Hydrostop AH+ Standard Quartz Sand.

1.2 The coating has the following nominal characteristics:

Specific gravity (g·cm⁻³) 1.44
Colour mid grey.

1.3 Also used with the system, but outside the scope of this Certificate, are:

- SIG-approved insulation adhesive
- joint reinforcement
- SIG-approved glass faced insulation boards.

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 being operated by the manufacturer are being maintained.

3 Delivery and site handling

3.1 The resins are delivered to site in cans bearing the Certificate holder's details, product name, hazard labelling, transportation information, batch number and the BBA logo incorporating the number of this Certificate.

3.2 The system components are delivered to site as given in Table 1.

Table 1 Component packaging

Component	Packaging
Hydrostop AH15+ Waterproof Coating	4 and 15 litre containers
Hydrostop AH15+ Reinforcing Fabric	100 x 1 m, 0.3 x 100 m rolls
Hydrostop AH+ Blocker Primer	4 or 20 litre containers
Hydrostop AH+ WP Primer	4 or 20 litre containers
SIG-approved underlay/carrier membrane	1 x 16m
Hydrostop AH+ Standard Quartz Sand	25 kg bag

3.3 The resin and primer containers must be kept tightly sealed and must be stored in a cool, ventilated place and away from ignition sources and other chemicals. The resins will have a shelf life of 12 months when stored at temperatures between 0 and 25°C. At higher temperatures the shelf-life will reduce progressively.

3.4 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 Hydrostop AH15+ Roof Waterproofing System.

Design Considerations

4 General

4.1 The Hydrostop AH15+ Roof Waterproofing System is satisfactory for use as a roof waterproofing system on new and existing flat and pitched roofs with limited pedestrian access.

4.2 The system, when used in combination with Hydrostop AH+ Standard Quartz Sand, is also satisfactory for use on flat roofs pedestrian access.

4.3 The system is for use on the following substrates:

- concrete
- mastic asphalt
- metal
- reinforced bitumen membranes (including mineral surfaced)
- wood
- SIG-approved glass faced Insulation boards
- SIG-approved insulation boards in conjunction with an approved carrier membrane.

4.4 Decks to which the system is to be applied must comply with the relevant requirements of BS 6229 : 2018 and BS 8217 : 2005.

4.5 Limited access roofs are defined for the purpose of this Certificate as those subjected only to pedestrian traffic for installation of the roof covering.. Where traffic in excess of this is envisaged, such as for maintenance access, for cleaning of gutters, etc, special precautions, such as additional protection to the membrane or installation of Hydrostop AH+ Standard Quartz Sand anti-skid surfacing, must be taken.

4.6 Flat roofs are defined for the purpose of this Certificate as those having a minimum finished fall of 1:80.

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

4.8 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.

4.9 Insulation systems or materials used in conjunction with the system must be suitable for the specification and be either:

- as described in BS 8217 : 2005, or
- the subject of a current BBA Certificate and used in accordance with, and within the limitations of, that Certificate.

4.10 Detailing requirements, eg at service penetrations and movement joints, must be evaluated on a case-by-case basis. The Certificate holder has standard details or can advise of suitable details for a particular application.

5 Practicability of installation

The system should only be installed by contractors who have been trained and approved by the Certificate holder.

6 Weathertightness



6.1 The system will adequately resist the passage of moisture into the building and enable a roof to comply with the requirements of the national Building Regulations.

6.2 The system is impervious to water and, when used as described, will give a weathertight roofing capable of accepting minor movement without damage.

7 Properties in relation to fire



In the opinion of the BBA, a system comprising an 18 mm plywood substrate primed with bitumen based SA Primer, bituminous self-adhesive VCL, a polyurethane adhesive, 120 mm thick polyisocyanurate insulation board, bituminous self-adhesive underlay primed with Hydrostop AH+ Primer, and the Hydrostop AH15+ Roof Waterproofing System reinforced with a 165 g·m⁻² polyester fleece can be classified as B_{ROOF}(t4) in accordance with BS EN 13501-5 : 2016.

8 Adhesion

8.1 The adhesion of the system to the substrates listed in section 4.3 is sufficient to resist the effects of any wind suction, elevated temperatures, thermal shock or minor movement likely to occur in practice.

8.2 Where the system is installed over carrier membranes on insulation, the resistance to wind uplift is dependent on the cohesive strength of the insulation.

9 Slip resistance

The system, when incorporating the anti-skid additive Hydrostop AH+ Standard Quartz Sand, has an improved slip resistance in wet conditions compared to the standard system and may be used in pedestrian access areas (see Table 2). Both systems are classified as having a low risk of slip, as defined in *The Assessment of Floor Slip Resistance — The UK Slip Resistance Group Guidelines*; Issue 5, 2016, in both dry and wet conditions.

Table 2 Pendulum Test Value (PTV)

System	Pendulum Test Value (PTV)		Coefficient of friction	
	Dry surface	Wet surface	Dry surface	Wet surface
Hydrostop AH15+	75	43	0.89	0.45
Hydrostop AH15+ with Hydrostop AH+ Standard Quartz Sand	66	62	0.75	0.69

10 Resistance to mechanical damage

The system can accept, without damage, normal foot traffic and light concentrated loads associated with installation, maintenance and pedestrian traffic. However, reasonable care should be taken to avoid puncture by sharp objects or concentrated loads (see Table 3). In cases of doubt, advice is available from the Certificate holder.

Table 3 Dynamic and static indentation

Test	Result	Method
Dynamic indentation		
unaged		
hard substrate ⁽¹⁾ at 23°C	I ₃	
hard substrate ⁽¹⁾ at -10°C	I ₃	
soft substrate ⁽²⁾ at 20°C	I ₃	
heat aged ⁽³⁾		
hard substrate ⁽¹⁾ at -10°C	I ₃	EOTA TR 006
UV aged ⁽⁴⁾		
hard substrate ⁽¹⁾ at -10°C	I ₃	
low temperature cure (0°C):		
hard substrate ⁽¹⁾ at -10°C	I ₃	
high temperature cure (40°):		
hard substrate ⁽¹⁾ at -10°C	I ₃	
Static indentation		
unaged		
hard substrate ⁽¹⁾ at 20°C	L ₄	
hard substrate ⁽¹⁾ at 80°C	L ₄	EOTA TR 007
soft substrate ⁽²⁾ at 20°C	L ₄	
water exposure ⁽⁵⁾		
hard substrate ⁽¹⁾	L ₄	

- (1) Steel substrate.
- (2) Carrier membrane on PIR insulation.
- (3) Heat aged at 70°C for 50 days.
- (4) UV aged at 50°C for an exposure of 400 MJ·m⁻².
- (5) Water exposure at 60°C for 90 days.

11 Maintenance



11.1 The system should be the subject of six monthly inspections and maintenance in accordance with BS 6229 : 2018, Chapter 7.

11.2 Any damage should be repaired in accordance with section 16 and the Certificate holder's instructions.

12 Durability



The system will achieve a life expectancy of at least 10 years.

13 General

13.1 The Hydrostop AH15+ Roof Waterproofing System must be installed in accordance with the Certificate holder's instructions and this Certificate.

13.2 The system must be applied when the air and substrate temperatures are greater than 5°C and the substrate is 3°C above the dew-point. Special precautions may be necessary when temperatures exceed 35°C, as shown in the Certificate holder's Technical Data Sheets.

13.3 Detailing (eg at upstands), must be carried out in accordance with the Certificate holder's instructions.

14 Site and surface preparation

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

14.2 Adhesion of the system will depend on the condition and cleanliness of the substrate, which must be visibly dry, sound and free from loose materials or contamination (eg moss or algae). Deck surfaces must be free from sharp projections, such as protruding fixing bolts or concrete nibs.

14.3 Damaged areas of substrate (eg broken fibre-cement sheets, blistered bitumen or roofing felt) must be removed, replaced or repaired.

14.4 The majority of contamination is removed from the substrate by scraping and/or sweeping. Any remaining contamination is removed by suitable means such as power washing, grit blasting or mechanical abrasion. The advice of the Certificate holder must be sought on approved detergents to remove oil and grease.

14.5 Any areas of fungal growth, algae, moss etc must be treated with a suitable HSE approved biocidal wash prior to installation of the system.

14.6 When required, the substrate is primed with the appropriate primer, in accordance with the Certificate holder's instructions, at the coverage rate given in Table 4.

Table 4 Primer application rates

Primer	Substrate	Rate of coverage (ℓ·m ⁻²)
Hydrostop AH+ WP Primer	timber	0.15
Hydrostop AH+ Blocker Primer	bitumen felt asphalt	0.3

15 Application

15.1 Hydrostop AH15+ Waterproof Coating is applied either by roller or brush.

15.2 The first layer of the coating is applied at a minimum coverage rate of 0.6 ℓ·m⁻².

15.3 Hydrostop AH15+ Reinforcing Fabric is applied into the wet first layer and the surface rolled to ensure elimination of trapped air and saturation of the fabric. The next width of the reinforcement fabric is laid ensuring a side lap of 75 mm over the previously laid reinforcement fabric.

15.4 Once the reinforcing fabric has been laid onto the first wet layer of Hydrostop 15+, a second layer of Hydrostop AH15+ Waterproof Coating is applied at a minimum rate of 0.6 ℓ·m⁻², achieving a minimum total membrane coverage rate of 1.2 ℓ·m⁻².

15.5 Pot life and cure times will vary with ambient temperature and humidity conditions during installation. At 23°C and 50% RH, the open pot life is 2 to 3 hours; the container may be resealed for future use. The system is rainproof after 30 minutes. In cases of doubt the Certificate holder's advice should be sought.

15.6 For pedestrian access areas, Hydrostop AH+ Standard Quartz Sand is applied by hand into the wet, additional layer of coating which has been applied above the cured membrane. Sufficient granules are applied to ensure full embedment of the granules. Once the waterproofing has cured, the excess granules are swept off the surface and the membrane is sealed with Hydrostop AH+ Transparent.

15.7 Detailing and upstands are carried out in accordance with the Certificate holder's installation instructions.

16 Repair

The repair of minor damage to the system can be achieved effectively by cleaning back to the unweathered material and recoating the damaged area with the membrane at the total application rate stated in section 15.

Technical Investigations

17 Tests

17.1 Tests were conducted on the Hydrostop AH15+ Roof Waterproofing System and the results assessed to determine:

- watertightness
- tensile strength and elongation at break on controls and after ageing
- tensile bond strength on controls and after ageing
- dynamic indentation on controls and after ageing
- static indentation on controls and after ageing
- fatigue cycling on controls and after ageing
- coefficient of friction
- effect of application temperatures.

17.2 Infra-red characterisation tests on the resins were carried out for reference purposes.

18 Investigations

18.1 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.

18.2 Data on fire performance were evaluated.

Bibliography

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

BS 8217 : 2005 *Reinforced bitumen membranes for roofing — Code of practice*

BS EN 13501-5 : 2005 + A1 : 2016 *Fire classification of construction products and building elements — Classification using data from external fire exposure to roofs tests*

EOTA Technical Report TR-006 *Determination of the resistance to dynamic indentation*

EOTA Technical Report TR-007 *Determination of the resistance to static indentation*

19 Conditions

19.1 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
- is subject to English Law.

19.2 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.

19.3 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.

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

19.5 In issuing this Certificate the BBA is not responsible and is excluded from any liability to any company, firm, organisation or person, for any matters arising directly or indirectly from:

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