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Agrément Certificate
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Product Sheet 2

POWERDECK

POWERDECK F (UK)

This Agrément Certificate Product Sheet⁽¹⁾ relates to Powerdeck F (UK), a rigid thermoset polyisocyanurate glassfibre tissue faced insulation board for use as a thermal insulation layer on limited access concrete, timber or metal flat roof decks. It is for use in conjunction with a vapour control layer and adhesively bonded or mechanically fixed roof waterproofing membranes in domestic and non-domestic buildings.

(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

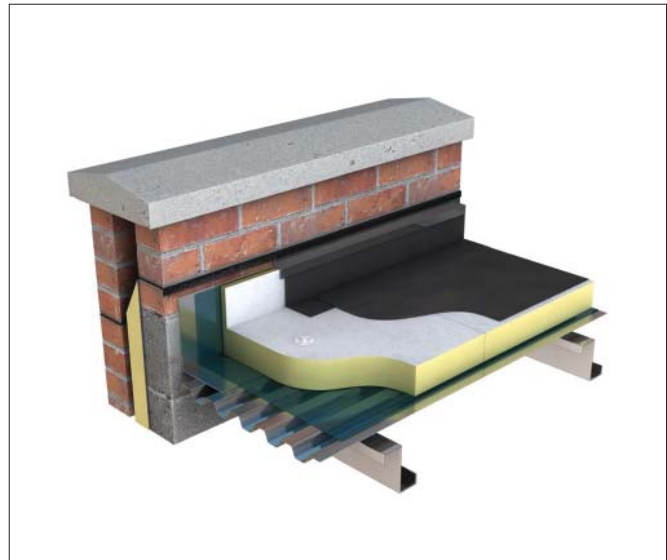
Thermal performance — the product's thermal conductivity (λ_D values) are shown in Table 2 (see section 6).

Condensation risk — the product can contribute to limiting the risk of surface condensation (see section 7).

Strength and stability — when installed on suitable substrates using appropriate adhesive and/or mechanical fixing methods, the product can adequately transfer maintenance traffic loads and wind loads to the roof deck (see section 8).

Behaviour in relation to fire — the overall fire rating of any roof containing the product will depend on the type of deck and the nature of the roof waterproofing covering (see section 9).

Durability — the product, when used as thermal insulation in the roof system described in this Certificate, will have a life at least as long as that of a roof waterproofing covering (see section 11).



The BBA has awarded this Certificate to the company named above for the product described herein. This product 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, Powerdeck F (UK), if installed, used and maintained in accordance with this Certificate, will meet or contribute to meeting 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:	A1	Loading
Comment:		The product is acceptable. See section 8.1 of this Certificate.
Requirement:	B4(2)	External fire spread
Comment:		Roofs incorporating the product can satisfy this Requirement. See section 9.2 of this Certificate.
Requirement:	C2(c)	Resistance to moisture
Comment:		The product will contribute to a roof satisfying this Requirement. See sections 7.1 and 7.4 of this Certificate.
Requirement:	L1(a)(i)	Conservation of fuel and power
Comment:		The product can satisfy or contribute to a roof satisfying this Requirement. See sections 6.1 to 6.3 of this Certificate.
Regulation:	7	Materials and workmanship
Comment:		The product is an acceptable material. See section 11 and the <i>Installation</i> part of this Certificate.
Regulation:	26	CO₂ emission rates for new buildings
Comment:		The product can contribute to satisfying this Regulation. See sections 6.1 to 6.3 of this Certificate.



The Building (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (as amended)

Regulation:	8(1)	Fitness and durability of materials and workmanship
Comment:		The product can contribute to a construction satisfying this Regulation. See section 11 and the <i>Installation</i> part of this Certificate.
Regulation:	9	Building Standards applicable to construction
Standard:	1.1	Structure
Comment:		The product is acceptable, with reference to clauses 1.1.1 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾ , 1.1.2 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾ and 1.1.3 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾ . See section 8.1 of this Certificate.
Standard:	2.8	Spread from neighbouring buildings
Comment:		Roofs incorporating the product can satisfy this Standard, with reference to clauses 2.8.1 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾ . See section 9.2 of this Certificate.
Standard:	3.15	Condensation
Comment:		The product will contribute to a roof satisfying this Standard, with reference to clauses 3.15.1 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾ , 3.15.3 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾ , 3.15.4 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾ , 3.15.5 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾ and 3.15.6 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾ . See sections 7.1 and 7.5 of this Certificate.
Standard:	6.1(b)	Carbon dioxide emissions
Standard:	6.2	Building insulation envelope
Comment:		The product can contribute to satisfying the requirements of these Standards, with reference to clauses, or parts of 6.1.2 ⁽²⁾ , 6.1.6 ⁽¹⁾ , 6.2.1 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾ , 6.2.3 ⁽¹⁾ , 6.2.4 ⁽²⁾ , 6.2.5 ⁽²⁾ , 6.2.6 ⁽¹⁾ , 6.2.7 ⁽¹⁾ , 6.2.8 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾ , 6.2.9 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾ , 6.2.10 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾ , 6.2.11 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾ , 6.2.12 ⁽²⁾ and 6.2.13 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾ . See sections 6.1 to 6.3 of this Certificate.
Standard:	7.1(a)(b)	Statement of sustainability
Comment:		The product can contribute to satisfying 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. In addition, the product can contribute to a construction meeting a higher level of sustainability as defined in this Standard, with reference to clauses 7.1.4 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾ [Aspects 1 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾ and 2 ⁽¹⁾], 7.1.6 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾ [Aspects 1 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾ and 2 ⁽¹⁾] and 7.1.7 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾ [Aspect 1 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾]. See section 6.2 of this Certificate.
Regulation:	12	Building standards applicable to conversions
Comment:		Comments made in relation to the product 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

Regulation:	23	Fitness of materials and workmanship
Comment:		The product is acceptable. See section 11 and the <i>Installation</i> section of this Certificate.
Regulation:	29	Condensation
Comment:		The product will contribute to a roof satisfying this Regulation. See section 7.1 of this Certificate.
Regulation:	30	Stability
Comment:		The product is acceptable. See section 8.1 of this Certificate.
Regulation:	36(b)	External fire spread
Comment:		Roofs incorporating the product can satisfy this Regulation. See section 9.2 of this Certificate.
Regulation:	39(a)(i)	Conservation measures
	40(2)	Target carbon dioxide emission rate
Comment:		Roofs incorporating the product can satisfy or contribute to satisfying these Regulations. See sections 6.1 to 6.3 of this Certificate.

Information in this Certificate may assist the client, CDM co-ordinator, designer and contractors to address their obligations under these Regulations.

See section: 3 *Delivery and site handling* (3.3) of this Certificate.

Additional Information

NHBC Standards 2014

NHBC accepts the use of Powerdeck F (UK), provided it is installed, used and maintained in accordance with this Certificate, in relation to *NHBC Standards*, Chapter 7.1 *Flat roofs and balconies*.

CE marking

The Certificate holder has taken the responsibility of CE marking the product in accordance with harmonised European Standard BS EN 13165 : 2012. An asterisk (*) appearing in this Certificate indicates that data shown is given in the manufacturer's Declaration of Performance.

Technical Specification

1 Description

1.1 Powerdeck F (UK) is a rigid-thermoset polyisocyanurate insulation board manufactured using CFC/HCFC free materials, incorporating glassfibre tissue facings on both sides.

1.2 The product has the nominal characteristics as shown in Table 1.

Table 1 Nominal characteristics

Length and width (mm)	1200 x 600
Thickness* (mm) ⁽¹⁾	30 to 300 (in 5 mm increments)
Compressive strength at 10% compression* (kPa)	150
Edge profile	Square

(1) Thickness > 150 mm are achieved by combining two boards.

1.3 The product is installed as part of a roof system in conjunction with the following items (each of which is outside of the scope of this Certificate):

- waterproofing membrane
- vapour control layer (VCL)
- adhesive
- galvanized or stainless steel fixings, incorporating a countersunk washer which is a minimum of 75 mm diameter if round or 75 mm by 75 mm if square.

2 Manufacture

2.1 Raw materials are injected onto the lower insulation facer on a conveyor belt. The exothermic reaction expands the foam, which then comes into contact with the upper insulation facer. An automated process cures and cuts the product to the required size.

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 Recticel Insulation Products has been assessed and registered as meeting the requirements of BS EN ISO 9001 : 2008 by Lloyd's Register Quality Assurance [Certificate (ANT951267.1)].

3 Delivery and site handling

3.1 The product is delivered to site shrink-wrapped in polythene packs containing a label with the product description and characteristics, the manufacturer's name, and the BBA identification mark incorporating the number of this Certificate.

3.2 It is essential that the product is stored such that it is raised off the ground, is inside or under cover on a dry, level surface in a well-ventilated area. The product must be protected from rain, snow and prolonged exposure to sunlight. If the product has been allowed to get wet or is damaged, it must not be used. Nothing should be stored on top of product.

3.3 The product must not be exposed to a naked flame or other ignition sources. The product must not be exposed to solvents or other chemicals.

Assessment and Technical Investigations

The following is a summary of the assessment and technical investigations carried out on Powerdeck F (UK).

Design Considerations

4 General

4.1 Powerdeck F (UK) is suitable for use as a thermal insulation layer on concrete, metal or timber flat roofs, with access limited to maintenance only.

4.2 Decks should be designed in accordance with the relevant clauses of either BS 6229 : 2003 or BS 8217 : 2005 and, where appropriate, the *NHBC Standards 2014*, Chapter 7.1.

4.3 Roofs should incorporate an effective VCL below the product.

4.4 The product is for use with one of the following torch-on waterproofing specifications:

- built-up bitumen felt to BS 8747 : 2007 laid in accordance with BS 8217 : 2005 (pour-and-roll application only).
- other bitumen waterproofing systems which are the subject of a current Agrément Certificate, laid in accordance with, and within the limitations imposed by that Certificate (pour-and-roll application only).
- mastic asphalt laid in accordance with BS 8218 : 1998
- single-ply waterproof membranes, such as PVC, CSM, CPE, FPO (including TPO), VET, PIB or EPDM, which are the subject of a current Agrément Certificate and laid in accordance with that Certificate.

4.5 Limited access roofs are defined for the purpose of this Certificate as those roofs subject only to pedestrian traffic for maintenance of the roof covering and cleaning of gutters, etc

4.6 Flat roofs are defined for the purpose of this Certificate as those roofs having a minimum finished fall of 1:80 and a maximum of 1:6 as defined in BS 6229 : 2003.

4.7 For design purposes on flat roofs, twice the minimum finished fall should be assumed, unless a detailed analysis of the roof is available, including overall and local deflections, direction of falls etc.

5 Practicability of installation

The product is designed to be installed by a competent general builder, or a contractor, experienced with this type of product.

6 Thermal performance

6.1 Calculations of thermal transmittance (U value), should be carried out in accordance with BS EN ISO 6946 : 2007 and BRE Report BR 443 : 2006, using the thermal conductivity* ($\lambda_{D \text{ values}}$) given in Table 2.

Table 2 Thermal conductivity (λ_{D} value)

Insulation thickness (mm)	Thermal conductivity* ($\text{W}\cdot\text{m}^{-1}\cdot\text{K}^{-1}$)
<80	0.026
80 to 119	0.025
≥ 120	0.024

6.2 The U value of a completed roof will depend on the thickness of insulation used, the number and type of fixings and the insulating value of other roof components/layers. Example U values of roofs incorporating the product are shown in Tables 3 and 4.

Table 3 Example U values for a fully adhered system

	Insulation thickness ⁽¹⁾ (mm)			U value (W·m ⁻² ·K ⁻¹)
	Concrete ⁽²⁾	Timber ⁽³⁾	Metal ⁽⁴⁾	
	90+100	90+90	90+100	0.13
	150	145	80+80	0.15
	140	135	145	0.16
	125	120	130	0.18
	120	110	120	0.20
	95	90	95	0.25

- (1) Nearest available thickness.
- (2) 150 mm concrete decking 2.0 W·m⁻¹·K⁻¹, VCL, 3 mm waterproofing membrane.
- (3) 12.5 mm plasterboard, 150 mm timber joists (12.5%)/air cavity (87.5%), 18 mm plywood decking, VCL, 3 mm waterproofing membrane.
- (4) Metal deck (not included in calculation), VCL, 3 mm waterproofing membrane.

Table 4 Example U values for constructions with galvanized steel fixings

	Insulation thickness ⁽¹⁾ (mm)			U value (W·m ⁻² ·K ⁻¹)
	Concrete ⁽²⁾⁽³⁾	Timber ⁽²⁾⁽⁴⁾	Metal ⁽²⁾⁽⁵⁾	
	100+110	100+100	100+110	0.13
	90+90	80+90	90+90	0.15
	80+90	80+80	80+90	0.16
	150	135	150	0.18
	135	125	135	0.20
	110	95	110	0.25

- (1) Nearest available thickness.
- (2) Includes 5.55 galvanized steel insulation fixings per m² with a 4.8 mm cross sectional diameter.
- (3) 150 mm concrete decking 2.0 W·m⁻¹·K⁻¹, VCL, 3 mm waterproofing membrane.
- (4) 12.5 mm plasterboard, 150 mm timber joists (12.5%)/air cavity (87.5%), 18 mm plywood decking, VCL, 3 mm waterproofing membrane.
- (5) Metal deck (not included in calculation), VCL, 3 mm waterproofing membrane.

6.3 The product can contribute to maintaining continuity of thermal insulation at junctions between elements. For Accredited Construction Details the corresponding psi values in BRE Information Paper IP 1/06, Table 3 may be used in carbon emission calculations in Scotland and Northern Ireland. Detailed guidance for other junctions and on limiting heat loss by air infiltration can be found in:

England and Wales — Approved Documents to Part L and for new thermal elements to existing buildings, Accredited Construction Details (version 1.0). See also SAP 2009 Appendix K and the *iSBEM User Manual* for new-build


Scotland — Accredited Construction Details (Scotland)

Northern Ireland — Accredited Construction Details (version 1.0).

6.4 This Certificate holder has at least one staff member who has been deemed competent by the BBA under the BBA/TIMSA Scheme for Calculation Competency (U value and Condensation Risk Analysis). Competent persons should be contacted for accurate, quality-assured U value and condensation risk analysis. The Certificate of Competency can be found on the BBA website (<http://www.bbacerts.co.uk>) as Certificate number CS/1003.

7 Condensation risk

Interstitial condensation

 7.1 Roofs will adequately limit the risk of interstitial condensation when they are designed and constructed in accordance with BS 5250 : 2011, Annex D and Annex H and BRE Report BR 262 : 2002.

7.2 For the purposes of assessing the risk of interstitial condensation, the insulation core vapour resistivity may be taken as approximately 300 MN·s·g⁻¹·m⁻¹ and a resistance value of 0.13 MN·s·g⁻¹ for each glassfibre tissue facer.

7.3 To minimise moisture entering the roof, an effective VCL such as 0.25 mm minimum thickness polyethylene should be used with sealed and lapped joints and be turned up around the insulation and bonded to the weatherproofing finish.

Surface condensation



7.4 Roofs will adequately limit the risk of surface condensation when the thermal transmittance (U value) does not exceed $0.35 \text{ W}\cdot\text{m}^{-2}\cdot\text{K}^{-1}$ at any point and the junctions with other elements are designed in accordance with section 6.3.



7.5 Roofs will adequately limit the risk of surface condensation when the thermal transmittance (U value) does not exceed $1.2 \text{ W}\cdot\text{m}^{-2}\cdot\text{K}^{-1}$ at any point. Guidance may be obtained from BS 5250 : 2011, Annex H, or section 6.3 of this Certificate. Additional information can be found in BRE Report BR 262 : 2002.

8 Strength and stability



8.1 When installed on suitable flat roof decks, using appropriate fixings and/or adhesive, the product can adequately transfer maintenance traffic loads and negative and positive (suction and pressure) wind loads to the roof deck.

8.2 The roof construction or immediate substrate to which the product is fixed must be structurally sound and have sufficient strength and stability, to resist all dead, imposed and wind loads.

8.3 The suitability of the roof construction, and in particular the immediate substrate, to accept the adhesive bond and mechanical fixing must be established before installation. In-situ pull-out and pull-through testing to determine the minimum safe working load of mechanical fixings should be undertaken prior to installation. The advice of the Certificate holder should also be sought in respect of suitable mechanical fixings.

8.4 The type and number of fixings will depend on the roof construction and location; the Certificate holder's advice should be sought. The Certificate holder recommends a minimum number of fixings per board size, see section 13.14.

8.5 All design analysis must be in accordance with British or European Standards relevant to the construction. The requirement for fixings to suit the wind uplift requirements for the particular site should be assessed in accordance with BS 6399-2 : 1997 or BS EN 1991-1-4 : 2005. All calculations should be carried out by a suitably qualified and experience individual.

8.6 Each fixing must incorporate a head or washer which is a minimum of 75 mm diameter if round or 75 mm by 75 mm if square. Location of fixings installed along the edges or at corners of the product is shown in Figure 1.

8.7 For adhesive application of the insulation product, the substrate must be free of dust, dry and installation should be in accordance with the instructions of the adhesive manufacturer. The surface of the substrate must have sufficient cohesive strength to resist the calculated wind load acting upon the structure.

8.8 When adhering is the chosen method for the insulation or waterproofing, adhesion between the insulation product and VCL and between the product and overlay must be adequate to resist the effects of wind suction and thermal cycling likely to be experienced under normal conditions. In areas where high wind speeds can be expected, additional mechanical fixings should be considered and the advice of a suitably qualified engineer should be sought as to the method of fixing as defined in the relevant clauses of BS 6399-2 : 1997 and BS EN 1991-1-4 : 2005.

8.9 Roof waterproof covering systems (see section 4.4 for suitable types) must be applied in accordance with the relevant Agrément Certificates or manufacturers' guidance.

8.10 For design purposes, the product may be assumed to have the allowable compressive strength given in Table 1.

8.11 The product has not been assessed for use with permanent distributed or concentrated loads, such as air conditioning units, mechanical plants, water tanks, etc. Such loads should be supported directly on the roof construction. The product is not suitable for use when permanent roof access is required.

8.12 When profiled decking is used, the product will need to span across the ribs. Maximum permissible spans between ribs for the different product thicknesses is shown in Table 5.

Table 5 Maximum clear span

	Maximum clear span (mm)	Minimum roofboard thickness (mm)
> 75	≤ 100	30
> 100	≤ 125	35
> 125	≤ 150	40
> 150	≤ 175	45
> 175	≤ 200	50
> 200	≤ 225	55
> 225	≤ 250	60

8.13 When maintenance is required to the roof waterproofing, protective boarding should be laid over the roof surface to avoid concentrations of load.

9 Behaviour in relation to fire

9.1 The fire rating of any roof containing the product will depend on the type of deck and the nature of the roof waterproof covering.



9.2 When tested in accordance with BS 476-3 : 2004 and CEN/TS 1187 : 2012, a system comprising 18 mm plywood deck, a polyester reinforced aluminium core VCL, a 120 mm thick insulation board, a layer of 1.7 mm thick IKO Systems S-A underlay and a IKO Ultra prevENt bitumen membrane, achieved an EXT.F.AC and Broof(t4) (Low vulnerability in Scotland) rating respectively and is acceptable for use less than 6 m from a relevant boundary.

9.3 The designation of other specifications should be confirmed by:

England and Wales — test or assessment in accordance with Approved Document B, Volumes 1 and 2, Appendix A, Clause 6

Scotland — test to conform to clauses 2.C⁽¹⁾ and 2.F⁽²⁾

(1) Technical Handbook (Domestic).

(2) Technical Handbook (Non-Domestic).

Northern Ireland — test to conform to clauses 5.21 and 5.22.

10 Maintenance

The product, once installed does not require any regular maintenance and has suitable durability provided the roof waterproof layers are inspected and maintained at regular intervals (see section 11), therefore, maintenance is not required.

11 Durability



The product is rot-resistant and durable, and will have a life at least as long as that of the roof waterproof covering.

Installation

12 General

12.1 Powerdeck F (UK) must be installed in accordance with the Certificate holder's instructions and BS 6229 : 2003, BS 8217 : 2005, or the relevant Agrément Certificate. Polyurethane bonding may be augmented by mechanical fixings where appropriate (see section 8.8 of this Certificate).

12.2 Care should be taken to ensure the deck is graded to the correct fall, is dry, clean and free from any projections or gaps.

12.3 For both mechanically and adhesively fixed products, the suitability of the substrate deck to accept an adhesive bond or mechanical fixings must be checked prior to the work commencing.

12.4 The deck to which the VCL is to be applied must be even, dry, sound, and if bonded, free from dust and grease and other defects which may impair the bond. For adhered products, all deck joints should be taped and, where necessary, the deck coated with bitumen primer to BS 3416 : 1991.

12.5 On multi-storey buildings or in areas subject to high wind loads, additional mechanical fixings may be required and the advice of the Certificate holder should be sought on any limitations of use.

12.6 The mechanical fixing frequency and pattern should be predetermined in accordance with the Certificate holder's instructions and the relevant clauses of BS 6399-2 : 1997 or BS EN 1991-1-4 : 2005. Each fixing should incorporate a minimum of 75 mm diameter circular plate countersunk washer or a 75 mm by 75 mm square washer, which must not restrain more than one board.

12.7 To prevent moisture being trapped on, or in the insulation it is essential to:

- protect the products during laying, before the application of the roof waterproofing, or to lay the roof covering at the same time as laying the products. However if the products are accidentally wetted, they must be replaced
- the products should be installed only when the ambient temperature is above 5°C to prevent condensation.

12.8 The product can be cut with a sharp knife or fine-toothed saw to fit around projections through the roof.

12.9 The product is for use with the waterproofing membranes specified in section 4.4, are laid in accordance with the relevant British Standard or subject of a current Agrément Certificate, laid in accordance with, and within, the limitations imposed by that Certificate.

12.10 Once installed, access to the roof should be restricted in accordance with section 4.5.

13 Procedure

General

13.1 The number of mechanical fixings required to fix the product will vary depending on the geographical location of the building, the topographical data, and height and width of the roof concerned etc.

13.2 The requirements for an additional number of fixings above those specified in section 13.14 should be assessed in accordance with BS 6399-2 : 1997 or BS EN 1991-1-4 : 2005.

Concrete decks

13.3 Before applying the VCL, an appropriate levelling screed should be applied where necessary and, if adhering the VCL and insulation boards, the whole deck treated with a suitable primer. The advice of the Certificate holder should also be sought in respect of a suitable primer.

13.4 For adhered systems, a suitable VCL is torched applied or fully bonded in polyurethane adhesive and the laps sealed, and the boards applied in the manner described for timber decks (see section 13.10 and 13.11).

Metal decks

13.5 If adhering the VCL and insulation boards, the deck should be treated with a suitable primer before applying the VCL. The advice of the Certificate holder should also be sought in respect of a suitable primer.

13.6 For adhered products, a reinforced VCL is fully bonded in hot bitumen, which is bonded to the metal deck and the insulation boards are then applied in the manner described for timber decks (see section 13.10 and 13.11).

13.7 The insulation boards are laid with the long edges at right angles to the ribs and all board ends must be fully supported on a rib.

13.8 The thickness of the roofboard used depends on the width of the rib openings of the metal deck as indicated in section 8, Table 5.

Timber decks (eg tongue-and-groove boards, plywood)

13.9 A VCL is either fully bonded in hot bitumen or nailed to the plywood deck. On tongue-and-groove timber decks the vapour control layer should be nailed, in accordance with BS 8217 : 2005.

13.10 The VCL should be turned up around the insulation and sealed to the waterproof finish at all edges and penetrations such as roof lights. Advice may be sought from the Certificate holder.

13.11 Hot bitumen adhesive is applied over the VCL and the insulation boards are fully embedded into it, in a brick bonded pattern.

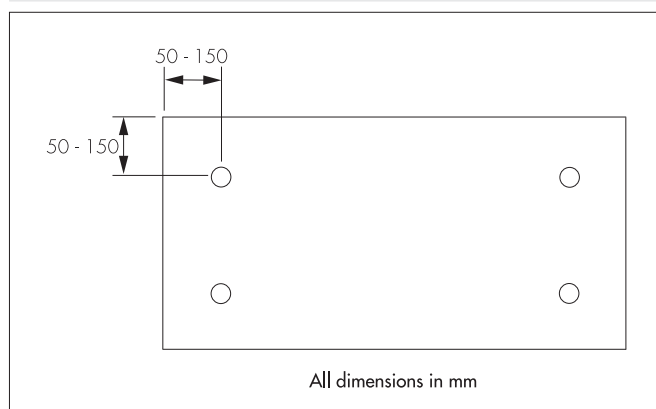
Mechanical fixings

13.12 The product can also be secured to concrete, metal or timber decks by means of mechanical fixings.

13.13 A 0.25 mm thick polythene VCL should be laid, with 150 mm sealed laps. The VCL should be turned up around the insulation and sealed to the waterproof finish at all edges and penetrations such as roof lights. Advice should be sought from the Certificate holder.

13.14 The product is laid over the VCL in a brick-bonded pattern. On profiled metal decks, the product is secured to the deck with a minimum of four mechanical fixings placed within the individual board area (1200 mm by 600 mm), and are sited from all edges as shown in Figure 1. Countersunk washers with circular plates of at least 75 mm diameter or 75 mm by 75 mm square should be used with each fixing. The requirement for additional fixings is assessed in accordance with BS 6399-2 : 1997 or BS EN 1991-1-4 : 2005.

Figure 1 Fixing layout for 1200 mm by 600 mm — minimum fixing numbers



14 Tests

Tests were carried out by the BBA to determine:

- behaviour under variations in temperature (unrestrained)
- behaviour under distributed load and increased temperature
- effect of concentrated load on cantilevered parts
- effect of concentrated load under a free span
- bowing under the effect of a thermal gradient
- tensile strength perpendicular to faces
- compressive strength
- water vapour transmission
- thermal conductivity (fresh and aged)
- dimensional stability
- resistance to wind uplift.

15 Investigations

15.1 An assessment was made of test data relating to:

- fire rating
- thermal conductivity (fresh and aged).

15.2 An assessment of the risk of interstitial condensation was made.

15.3 An assessment was made of typical constructions which achieve the design U values.

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BS 6399-2 : 1997 *Loading for buildings — Code of practice for wind loads*

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

BS 8218 : 1998 *Code of practice for mastic asphalt roofing*

BS 8747 : 2007 *Reinforced bitumen membranes (RBMs) for roofing — Guide to selection and specification*

BS EN 1991-1-4 : 2005 *Eurocode 1 : Actions on structures — General actions — Wind actions*

BS EN 13165 : 2012 *Thermal insulation products for buildings — Factory made rigid polyurethane foam (PUR) products — Specification*

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16 Conditions

16.1 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.

16.2 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.

16.3 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.

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

16.5 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:

- the presence or absence of any patent, intellectual property or similar rights subsisting in the product/system or any other product/system
- the right of the Certificate holder to manufacture, supply, install, maintain or market the product/system
- actual installations of the product/system, including their nature, design, methods, performance, workmanship and maintenance
- any works and constructions in which the product/system is installed, including their nature, design, methods, performance, workmanship and maintenance
- 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.

16.6 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.