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P500 Liquid PU onto Existing Asbestos

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Permaroof 500 Liquid Membrane

Application onto an existing asbestos surface



In this guide we will highlight the preparation and application methods for Permaroof's innovative liquid PU waterproofing system - P500 onto existing corrugated asbestos.

Suitable for waterproofing a range of substrates, P500 offers a versatile approach to a wide range of projects, large or small. Fast, safe and easy to apply, P500 is also ideal for DIY. **Important** - Handling asbestos can be potentially hazardous and strict guidelines must be followed. Visit the HSE website for more information at: hse.gov.uk/asbestos/regulations

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Substrate preparation for existing asbestos roof

Inspect existing asbestos sheeting.

Thoroughly clean the sheets and ensure the surface is free from contaminants such as moss and lichen, any grease and dust.

Small cracks and damaged areas can be repaired with matting embedded in a coat of liquid membrane.

Treat all moss and vegetation with wash treatment. Remove all drain covers and clean outlets before applying the liquid coating.



Joints and splits

Matting must be used on any joints, cracks or change of materials. Accelerated liquid membrane is applied to the surface, and the matting is rolled into the membrane (until liquid membrane is drawn through). Then another coat of liquid membrane is applied ensuring the matting is fully embedded.

This must be repeated on all relevant areas before the main flat roof area is covered. Joints must be lapped 50mm each side and on any change of material. Avoid the use of silicone based mastics as they are not compatible. In the presence of roof repair coatings on the roof, check compatibility with the liquid membrane before applying the product.

Joins at rooflights



If the rooflights have been coated with another roof system, the change of material also needs to be reinforced with the matting (as above), where it meets the liquid membrane.

Fixings

All fixings must be coated thoroughly with liquid membrane. If any of the fixings have movement, they need to be cut and removed and reinforced with, then coated with liquid membrane. Any split areas near the fixings must be reinforced with matting (as above).

Applying the liquid membrane



Apply liquid membrane straight out of the tin in approximately three layers to reach a minimum coverage rate 1.4mm per sq. m evenly. Due to the pitch, apply one layer at a time using a solvent resistant roller. Drying time per layer will be approximately 3-4 hours in the summer months. Overcoating each layer must be done within 5-48 hours.

Any big variation in levels should be reinforced to make sure the product is not applied too thin on raised areas (big variations in thicknesses will cause weak spots on any thin areas). On completing inspect for any pinholes and apply another thin layer if required. Application temperature range -5 °C to 35°C. Avoid a big difference in thickness in the product in close areas i.e. 1.4mm to 3mm. This may cause tensions in the product. In case of substrate irregularities, it is recommended to use the matting. In case of high pitch roofs, liquid membrane must be applied in 2 or 3 layers to avoid the product running or it can be applied in one layer with Permathix (Application of Permathix is described in a separate document).

Topcoat application



The use of Topcoat is recommended to increase UV stability, for trafficable areas or achieve longer guarantee.

Topcoat comes in two parts (4.3Lts + 0.7Lts drums) which must be mixed completely and applied at a ratio of 6-1 and yield 150grs per sq. m in one layer, to cover around 25sq. m per pack. Topcoat must be applied no later than 48 hours after liquid membrane was applied and on a clean and dry surface.

Topcoat has a pot life of two hours and drying time once applied, of two hours.

Liquid membrane onto vertical surfaces



When liquid membrane needs to be applied in vertical surfaces, Permathix will be used to facilitate application. Permathix will provide Thixotropic properties to liquid membrane which will allow it to be applied easily without runs.

Permathix comes in 1Lt tins and can be mixed up to 1Lt per 25Kg of liquid membrane. Usually adding 250ml per 25kg drum is enough to reach the desired consistency. If no accelerator is used, liquid membrane must be applied in 2 layers of a maximum 1kg per layer.

When mixing accelerator and Permathix at the same time, the accelerator must be mixed first at the same ratio of 110ml per Litre of liquid membrane and later mixed with a maximum of 250ml of Permathix for 25kg drum or 60ml per 6kg tin.

General repairs on liquid membrane



In case of damages caused to a liquid membrane roof, the system can be repaired very easily.

It must be cleaned, gently sanded to open slightly the pore. Liquid membrane can be applied directly on top of the existing liquid membrane, but always accelerated.

In case of accidental damage to the Permaroof 500 liquid membrane waterproofing system, it can be repaired easily by using a piece of matting, embedded in liquid membrane.

The use of primer

Liquid membrane has an excellent adhesion with most of substrates, metal, plywood, bitumen felt, lead, GRP systems and PVC single ply. However, when you are unsure of the substrate, it is important to check the compatibility with materials.

Primer has a mono-component, low viscosity, high solids content. It has been specifically designed to increase bonding and improve the surface levelling of the substrates prior to the application of the liquid membrane.

Additional Notes

Primer must be used on concrete, TPO, EPDM single ply and rubber outlets and some other single plies with a different composition than PVC.

Primer can be applied with roller or brush straight out of the tin at a coverage rate of 150-200ml per m² Tin size is 5ltr (therefore minimum coverage of 25 sq. m can be achieved).

Primer is translucent with excellent bonding onto porous surfaces.

Tack time: 60 minutes (at 20°C) - Wait until completely dry before applying liquid membrane.

IMPORTANT: If the surface to be treated is very uneven, apply an initial coat of PRIMER PU-1000 mixed with mineral fillings (i.e. silica sand) to level it.

Great adhesion to most substrates



In addition to concrete, P500 liquid PU is suitable for use on:

- OSB/ plywood
- GRP/ fibreglass systems
- Roofing felt
- Brickwork
- Metal
- Lead
- Asbestos
- Some single ply materials.

Characteristics and advantages

- Easy and quick application
- Cost effective -expected cycle extension of failing roofs in excess of 25 years.
- Seamless membrane with over 600% elongation.
- Vapour permeable
- Resistant to extreme temperatures: -40°C to 80°C.

PROPERTIES	VALUES
Specific gravity (kg/m ³)	1.320 ~ 1.420 (ISO 1675)
Dry extract at 105°C (% weight)	>90 (EN 1768)
Ashes at 450°C (% weight)	42 ~ 47 (EN 1879)
Application temperature range	-5°C ~ 35°C
Storage recommendation	1 year at temperature +5°C ~ 35°C
Resistance to water vapour transmission (g/m ² * hour)	0,8
Tensile Strength (at 23°C) (N/mm ² – MPa)	5 ~ 7
Concrete adherence (N/mm ² – MPa)	>2
Hardness	>75 (Shore A)
Drying time	30 mins tack free, 1 ~ 2 hours (depending on temperature and humidity), 4 hours trafficable. Fully cured 24hrs
Recoat Time	From 2 hours to 24hrs
Yield	1.5 to 2kg/sqm min 1.4mm Maximum in 1 layer 2kg
Elasticity (at 23 °C)	±600% ~ ±750%

PLEASE NOTE: Temperature and humidity conditions may affect the curing times. Work out the area you will cover with the 27kg tin of mixed product (please check coverage rates for different guarantees available), do not spread the product too thin.

Liquid membrane accelerator chart

LIQUID MEMBRANE QUANTITY FULL TINS	LIQUID MEMBRANE QUANTITY IN LTRS	ACCELERATOR IN LTRS
25kg drums 6kg drums		2 litres – full tin Full small tin
	5 litres	550ml
	4 litres	440ml
	3 litres	330ml
	2 litres	220ml
	1 litre	110ml

Mix thoroughly on slow speed to ensure accelerator is mixed with liquid membrane completely.

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