

BIPOL EKP

Torch-Applied, SBS Modified Bituminous Cap Sheets



Introduction

BIPOL EKP membranes are polyester reinforced, slate covered torch-on cap sheets, saturated and coated with high quality SBS (Styrene-Butadiene-Styrene) modified bitumen. The membrane carrier is a tough polyester reinforcement, giving the material excellent dimensional stability and very high mechanical strength. The upper layer is coated with coarse-grained slate, protecting the membrane from ultraviolet exposure and the lower layer is finished with a thermofusible film for fast and consistent torch-on application.

Product Description

BIPOL EKP membranes are high performance polyester based waterproofing materials designed to suit requirements of both new build and remedial roofing applications. They can be applied to suitable torch-on underlays as a cap sheet in built-up waterproofing systems. These products are not recommended for use as single layer waterproofing.

Product Features

- Independently tested by the British Board of Agreement, BBA certificate number 18/5528
- Rapid melt film for accurate and consistent torch-on application
- Excellent low temperature flexibility at -15°C
- High puncture resistance & high resistance to foot marking
- Available in a range of colour finishes

Application

BIPOL EKP membranes should be installed in accordance with manufacturer recommendations and all relevant national standards and codes of practice, including BS 8217: 2005 – the code of practice for reinforced bitumen membranes for roofing.

Roofing contractors should also be fully conversant with the guidelines set out in the National Federation of Roofing Contractors (NFRC) 'Safe2Torch' campaign. All operatives using torch guns or hot air guns during installation should be competent, conversant and capable of using such items in a safe and responsible manner. Care must also be taken when using torches and hot air guns in close proximity to combustible materials, decorative coatings and heat sensitive materials.

BIPOL EKP membranes must be bonded to the previously installed base layer/underlay by using the torch-on application method. Substrates must be clear of any debris or sharp projections, and primers should be used as necessary to prepare the surface for achieving most effective waterproofing longevity (please consult TECHNOMICOL Technical Services for details).

BIPOL EKP membranes should be heated carefully, ensuring that the dispersible film completely melts as work proceeds and maintaining 5 mm bead extrusion from all laps. Side laps must follow the manufactured mineral free pilot selvedge with end laps at minimum of 10 cm. The cap sheet should be offset 30 cm from the underlay to avoid build up of overlaps.

Chemical Resistance

BIPOL EKP membranes are water-resistant and are resistant to watery solutions of salt, diluted non-oxidising acids and bases. Aliphatic and aromatic hydrocarbons, as well as chlorine hydrocarbons, oils and greases may loosen the product and should therefore be avoided.

Harmonised Standard

EN 13707:2004 + A2:2009

Storage

Store in a cool, dry place and protect from direct sunlight.

Health and Safety

Health and Safety should be observed at all times in accordance with HSE and industry guidance. Specific Risk Assessments and Method Statements should be produced by contractors where necessary to ensure Working at Heights, Fire Safety and Manual Handling rules are compliant with current law and regulations. Health and safety data sheets are available for all materials on request from TECHNINCOL Technical Service Department.

Availability

Product Name	Colour	Product Code	Roll Dimensions (m)	Weight (kg/m ²)
BIPOL STANDART EKP	Black	TN405386	8 x 1	4.5 (± 0.225)
BIPOL STANDART EKP	Grey	TN001715	10 x 1	4.5 (± 0.225)
BIPOL STANDART EKP	Green	TN367944	10 x 1	4.5 (± 0.225)
BIPOL XL EKP	Black	TN467391	8 x 1	5.0 (± 0.250)

Performance and Key Properties

Properties	Test Method		Declared Performance
Reinforcement type and weight			Polyester, 160 g/m ²
Tensile properties: maximum tensile force	EN 12311-1	N/50mm	600/500 (± 100)
Tensile properties: elongation	EN 12311-1	%	50/50 (± 25)
Resistance to tearing (nail)	EN 12310-1	N	180/180 (± 50)
Flow resistance at elevated temperatures	EN 1110	° C	≥ + 85
Flexibility at low temperatures	EN 1109	° C	≤ - 15
Watertightness	EN 1928	kPa	200
Water vapour transmission properties	EN 1931	-	μ=20 000
Reaction to fire	EN 13501-5 ENV 1187:2002, test 2*	-	Broof (t2)*

*This material is part of a two-layer roofing system and corresponds to the Broof only in combination with a second layer of roofing system.

Quality Assurance

BICROELAST EKP is manufactured following ISO 9001: 2008 Quality Management System and Environmental Management System approved to ISO 14001: 2004.