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TESTING OF WPM 1500 MEMBRANE TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF AS4654.1 2012

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TEST SUMMARY

Objective

Testing was completed of WPM 1500 membrane to the requirements of AS4654.1 2012 *Waterproofing membranes for external above-ground use Part 1: Materials.*

Test sponsor

Ardex New Zealand Limited 32 Lane Street Woolston

Christchurch

Description of test specimen

The client supplied sheet membrane samples to be tested.

LIMITATION

The results reported here relate only to the items tested.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

This report is issued in accordance with the Terms and Conditions as detailed and agreed in the BRANZ Services Agreement for this work.



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1. SUMMARY

AS4654.1 Table 2.1 Requirements – Fully Bonded Membranes – WPM 1500 Membrane Note: #Results from testing WPM 750 membrane

PROPERTY REQUIRED	METHOD	RESULTS	
Abrasion resistance	AS1580.403.2	N/A as non-exposed	
#Bond strength	ASTM C794	Concrete 29 N	
		Plywood 7 N	
#Cyclic movement	CSIRO Moving Joint Test	Pass	
Dimensional stability	ASTM D6207	Maximum length change = 3 mm	
#Elongation at break	AS4654.1	>4.07 MPa	
	Appendix A	>500 % Elongation - Class III	
Field seam strength	N/A	N/A - achieved by the overlap	
		and the method of adhesion	
#Heat ageing	AS/NZS4858	>4.11 MPa	
		>450 % Elongation	
*Temperature resistance	AS4654.1 Clause 2.6	Pass	
Ultraviolet resistance	AS4654.1 Table A4	N/A as non-exposed	
*Tensile strength	AS4654.1 Table A4	>4.07 MPa	
		>500 % Elongation	
Thickness	Various methods	1.80mm (mean of sample	
		supplied)	
Durability	AS4654.1 Table A4	See Note 1	
#Water vapour	ASTM E96	0.23 g/m ² /24 hours	
transmission rate			

Notes:

1. Durability of membranes is a combined group of assessments as detailed in AS4654.1 Appendix A, Table A4.

#Control >4.07 MPa >500% Elongation

*Water immersion >3.99 MPa >500% Elongation

*Detergent immersion >3.90 MPa >500% Elongation

#Heat ageing >4.11 MPa >450% Elongation

Ultra violet N/A

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Bioresistance Manufacturing guidelines for bioresistance to be

followed



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2. BOND STRENGTH

2.1 Testing

Testing carried out in accordance with ASTM C794.

2.2 Results

Results are an average of 4 samples.

Note: Results from testing WPM 750 membrane

Substrate	Average peel strength (N)	
Concrete	29.1 N	
Plywood	6.5 N	

3. CYCLIC MOVEMENT

3.1 Testing

Testing carried out in accordance with AS4654.1 Appendix B Assessment of resistance of waterproofing membranes to cyclic movement.

3.2 Results

Note: Results from testing WPM 750 membrane

Number of cycles: 50

Cycle Time: 2 hours

Cycle expansion: 50% of control elongation at break

Sample size: 65 mm x 25 mm

Sample span: 4 mm between plates

Sample thickness: 0.85 mm

The test sample achieved a control elongation at break of >500% as per AS4654 Appendix A. For a Class III membrane the extension movement used for cycling is 4mm.

Number of cycles completed: 50

Surface crazing: Nil



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Surface tears: Nil

Membrane rupture: Nil

Result: Meets the requirement for the Moving Joint Test

4. DIMENSIONAL STABILITY

4.1 Testing

Test carried out in accordance with D6207-03.

4.2 Results

	Length measurements (mm)				Initial -	Max	
	Initial	Cycle 1 readings			Final	change	
Orientation	Dry reading	Wet	Dry	Wet	Dry	readings (mm)	in length (mm)
Lengthwise	900	897	899	897	900	0	3
Widthwise	900	900	900	898	900	0	2

5. ELONGATION AT BREAK

5.1 Testing

Test carried out in accordance with AS4654.1 Appendix A.

5.2 Results

Results are an average of 6 samples.

Note: Results from testing WPM 750 membrane

Mean sa	ample thickness (mm)	Tensile strength (MPa)	Elongation at break (%)
	0.85	>4.07	>500

Requirement for Class III: The specimens have an elongation at break of >300%

Classification: Class III (high extensibility)

6. HEAT AGEING

6.1 Testing

Testing carried out in accordance with AS4654.1 Appendix A.



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6.2 Results

Note: Results from testing WPM 750 membrane

Results are an average of 6 samples.

Mean sample thickness (mm)	Tensile strength (MPa)	Elongation at break (%)
0.85	>4.11	>450

Requirement: The specimens require an elongation at break greater than 50% of the control sample. There was no deterioration in the elongation at break performance.

Result: Pass

7. TEMPERATURE RESISTANCE

7.1 Testing

Testing carried out in accordance with AS4654.1 Appendix A. Samples were exposed for 2 days at 85°C and samples were exposed for 2 days at -15°C.

7.2 Results

Results are an average of 6 samples.

Note: Results from testing WPM 750 membrane

High temperature, 85°C

Mean sample thickness (mm)	Tensile strength (MPa)	Elongation at break (%)
0.85	>3.99	>500

Low temperature, -15°C

Mean sample thickness (mm)	Tensile strength (MPa)	Elongation at break (%)
0.85	>4.16	>500

Requirement: The membrane shall remain waterproof when subjected to temperatures likely to be encountered in use: for Australia these would be within the range -15°C to 85°C.

Samples shall exhibit no cracking, fractures or surface defects after exposure.

Result: Pass



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8. TENSILE STRENGTH

8.1 Testing

Testing carried out in accordance with AS4654.1 Appendix A.

8.2 Results

Results are an average of 6 samples.

Note: Results from testing WPM 750 membrane

Mean sample thickness (mm)	Tensile strength (MPa)	Elongation at break (%)
0.85	>4.07	>500

9. DURABILITY

9.1 Testing

Testing carried out in accordance with AS4654.1 Appendix A.

9.2 Results

Note: Results from testing WPM 750 membrane

	Tensile Strength	Elongation at break	Pass / Fail	
Control	Control >4.07 MPa >500 % Elongation		N/A	
Water immersion	>3.99 MPa	>500 % Elongation	Pass	
Detergent immersion	>3.90 MPa	>500 % Elongation	Pass	
Heat ageing	>4.11 MPa	>450 % Elongation	Pass	
Bioresistance	Manufacturing guidelines for bioresistance to be followed			

10. WATER VAPOUR TRANSMISSION RATE

10.1 Testing

Testing carried out in accordance with ASTM E96 desiccant method.

10.2 Results

Note: Results from testing WPM 750 membrane



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Thickness (mm)	WVTR (g/m²/24 hours)	Minimum result (g/m²/24 hours)	Maximum result (g/m²/24 hours)
0.85	0.23	0.20	0.27



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