# LIQUID TANKING MEMBRANES FOR USE UNDER ENGINEERED TIMBER

This document is to give guidance on a suitable system for the installation of ARDEX liquid waterproofing membranes that are to be overlaid with a flooring system other than ceramic tile. This guidance offers potential ARDEX solutions to assist in meeting NZBC E3/AS1 and NZBC E3/AS2 as an alternative solution. All concrete substrates and moisture testing must comply with AS1884:2021. For substrates other than concrete please contact your local ARDEX account manager.

# LIQUID WATERPROOFING MEMBRANE

The recommended waterproof membrane applied over the floor base and up the walls is ARDEX WPM002 Superflex Two Part with a dry film thickness of 1.2-1.5mm.

### **FAIRING COAT**

A fairing coat is required for several reasons.

- The membrane is non-porous which can create a problem for MS based timber adhesives
- Timber laying operations can damage the membrane

Arditex NA 2-3mm thick should be applied to the floor for a thicker build and increased resistance to damage. An alternative is a scratch coat of ARDEX MRF 1.5mm thick for floors.

### **ADHESIVES**

The following adhesives can be used for installing the engineered timber:

- ARDEX AF480MS which is a specialised modified silane adhesive which is water resistant.
- ARDEX AF455 which is a specialised modified silane adhesive which is water resistant.
- ARDEX AF2525 two-part heavy duty floorcovering adhesive that is waterproof.

## **INSTALLATION NOTES**

- The installation of all ARDEX products must comply with the relevant data sheets
- · For the use of heating or sound reduction in this system please contact ARDEX Technical Services
- All detailing must comply with NZBC E3/AS1 amendment 7 2020 and the Code of Practice for Internal Wet Area Membrane Systems 4th edition 2020
- Installation of any ARDEX liquid waterproofing membrane must be undertaken by a current ARDEX certified applicator
- Warranties for the above systems will only be issued when all the components of the full systems are installed, no replacements or alternatives are acceptable.





