CCMC CANADIAN CODE COMPLIANCE EVALUATION

CCMC 13673-R

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Product name:	Hydrostar AG (Dampproofing)
Compliance:	NBC 2015, NBC 2020, OBC
Criteria:	CCMC-TG-071119.01-15, "CCMC Technical Guide for Foundation Wall Dampproofing Systems – Dimpled Membranes" CCMC-TG-071119.01-20, "CCMC Technical Guide for Foundation Wall Dampproofing Systems – Dimpled Membranes"

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Compliance opinion

It is the opinion of the Canadian Construction Materials Centre that the evaluated product, when used as a material for dampproofing in accordance with the conditions and limitations stated in this evaluation, complies with the following codes:

National Building Code of Canada 2015

Code provision	Solution type
9.13.2. Dampproofing	Alternative

National Building Code of Canada 2020

Code provision	Solution type
9.13.2. Dampproofing	Alternative

Ontario Building Code

Ruling No. 14-20-315 (13673-R) authorizing the use of this product in Ontario, subject to the terms and conditions contained in the Ruling, was made by the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing on 2014-10-27 (revised 2021-12-13) pursuant to s.29 of the Building Code Act, 1992 (see Ruling for terms and conditions). This Ruling is subject to periodic revisions and updates.

The above opinion(s) is/are based on the evaluation by the CCMC of technical evidence provided by the evaluation holder, and is bound by the stated conditions and limitations. For the benefit of the user, a summary of the technical information that forms the basis of this evaluation has been included.

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Product information

Product name

Hydrostar AG (Dampproofing)

Product description

The product is a black, high-density, polyethylene, quasi-rigid plastic sheet membrane, which is extruded in a manner that results in a dimpled surface on one side and a flat surface on the other. The dimpled surface is intended to provide an air gap between the wall and the adjacent soil. The product is produced from a mixture of virgin and recycled plastic materials. The product has dimples that are 7 mm high and is available in rolls that are 0.82 mm thick (the flat, i.e., non-dimpled area), 20 m long, and either 2.4 m, 2.1 m, 1.98 m, 1.8 m, 1.5 m or 1.2 m wide.

To ensure correct application, a range of accessories, such as fasteners, washers and moulding strips, is included with the product.

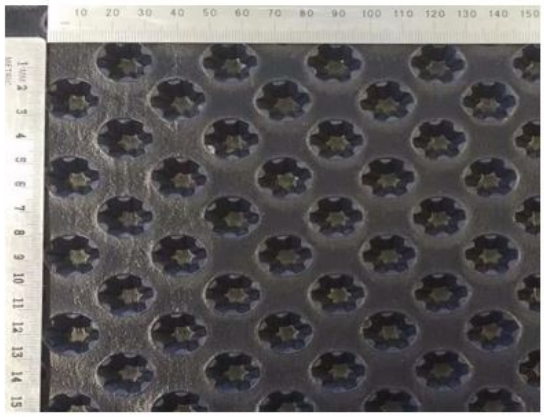

Figure 1. Side facing soil

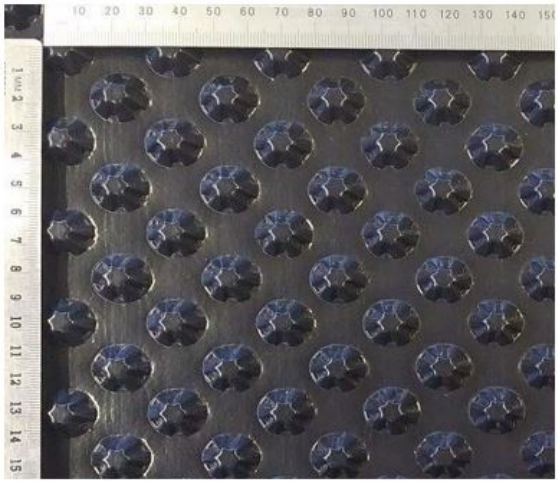

Figure 2. Side facing wall

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Figure 3. Anchor with washer

Manufacturing plants

This evaluation is limited to products produced at the following plants:

Product name	Manufacturing plants	
	Filago BG, Italy	Stoney Creek, ON, CA
Hydrostar AG (Dampproofing)	✓	✓

✓ Indicates that the product from this manufacturing facility has been evaluated by the CCMC

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Conditions and limitations

The CCMC's compliance opinion is bound by this product being used in accordance with the conditions and limitations set out below.

- Based on the evidence provided, the products have been classified as Type 2 for use in vertical applications in depths up to 3.7 m below grade. Application depths greater than 3.7 m are considered to be outside the scope of this evaluation.
- The products must be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions. In the event of conflict between the manufacturer's instructions and this evaluation, this evaluation will govern.
- The products were evaluated for use against cast-in-place and concrete block foundations only, and must cover the foundation wall from the top of the footing to the final grade.
- The products must be used in locations where the foundation wall is well-drained in accordance with Subsection 9.14.2., Foundation Drainage, of Division B of the NBC 2015 and 2020.
- The products are dimpled membrane drainage systems designed to act as a protective layer or a capillary breaking layer against the foundation wall, to protect the wall against transient or intermittent water that may come in contact with the wall's surface.
- The products must be protected from exposure to ultraviolet (UV) light (sunlight) within a maximum of 30 days of installation.
- Long-term performance of the dampproofing system depends on local conditions, such as the soil type, hydrogeology of the site, mineralogy and presence of microorganisms in the soil (i.e., iron ochre), as well as compatibility of the filter with the soil, among other considerations. Compliance with this evaluation does not exempt the project from requiring proper engineering design of the drainage system.
- The performance of fixtures used to anchor the products in the wall was evaluated for a single anchor. It is the responsibility of the manufacturer to define the pattern and spacing of anchors, considering the anchor strength as well as site-specific issues such as the type of soil, how it will interact with the products, as well as the backfilling method used.
- The top of the membrane and all vertical joints and terminations must be mechanically fastened and sealed to prevent soil particles from entering behind the membrane. Accessories used to anchor the product are part of the evaluation.
- The product's label and/or packaging must be clearly identified with the following:
    - manufacturer's name or logo; and
    - the phrase "CCMC 13673-R."

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Technical information

This evaluation is based on demonstrated conformance with the following criteria:

Criteria number	Criteria name
CCMC-TG-071119.01-15	CCMC Technical Guide for Foundation Wall Dampproofing Systems – Dimpled Membranes
CCMC-TG-071119.01-20	CCMC Technical Guide for Foundation Wall Dampproofing Systems – Dimpled Membranes

The evaluation holder has submitted technical documentation for the CCMC's evaluation. Testing was conducted at laboratories recognized by the CCMC. The corresponding technical evidence for this product is summarized below.

Table 1. Test results for Hydrostar AG

Property		Unit	Requirement	Result
Compressive strength (initial)		kPa	≥ 150	357.7
Dynamic impact resistance (mean failure energy)		J	≥ 2.45	10.4
Creep resistance (residual thickness at 25 years / 10°C)		%	≥ 40% at 25 years / 10°C	86.2
Cold bending at –30°C		N/A	No visible crack	No visible crack
Tensile strength	**at yield**	kN/m	≥ 8	XD 9.5 (1)
	elongation at break	%	≥ 25	XD 26
	anisotropy ratio	N/A	≥ 0.5	0.99
Heat aging (for 2 weeks)	**OIT after 2 weeks**	minutes	≥ 5	14.2 (2)
	dimensional change	%	≤ 1	MD –0.6, XD –0.4
	weight change	%	≤ |0.1|	–0.3 (3)
	residual compression strength	%	≥ 80 of initial	107
	creep resistance after heat aging (residual thickness at 25 years / 10°C)	%	≥ 40% 25 years / 10°C	88.4
Resistance to alkaline environment	**appearance**	N/A	No visible crack	No visible crack
	residual compression strength	%	≥ 80 of initial	94.9
	bending resistance	N/A	No visible crack	No visible crack
Geometrical properties				

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Property	Unit	Requirement	Result
Orientation of the dimples	-	Report value	Diagonal MD/ XD (1)
Number of dimples per unit area	dimples/m^2	Report value	1 554
Overall thickness	mm	Report value	6.96
Sheet thickness	mm	Report value	0.82
Hollow core thickness	mm	Report value	6.14
Anchorage performance	kN/washer	Report value	0.29
Anchorage efficiency	kN/plug	Report value	0.31

Notes:

1 "MD" refers to the "machine direction" of the product. "XD" refers to the "cross direction" of the product.

2 For products exhibiting an oxidation induction time (OIT) greater than five minutes after exposure to heat for two weeks, the test duration is limited to two weeks in lieu of eight weeks.

3 If the weight change is greater than ± 0.1%, an additional creep resistance test must be conducted and the residual thickness must be greater than 40% at 25 years / 10°C.

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Code compliance as an acceptable solution

Code Compliance via Acceptable Solutions

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>
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The CCMC has determined that compliance with this provision of the Code has been demonstrated as an **Acceptable Solution**. The evaluation report provides a summary of the basis of CCMC's compliance opinion.

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Code compliance as an alternative solution

Code Compliance via Alternative Solutions

> Where a design differs from the acceptable solutions in Division B, then it should be treated as an "**alternative solution**." A proponent of an alternative solution must demonstrate that the alternative solution addresses the same issues as the applicable acceptable solutions in Division B and their attributed objectives and functional statements. However, because the objectives and functional statements are entirely qualitative, demonstrating compliance with them in isolation is not possible. Therefore, Clause 1.2.1.1.(1)(b) identifies the principle that Division B establishes the quantitative performance targets that alternative solutions must meet. In many cases, these targets are not defined very precisely by the acceptable solutions [...] Nevertheless, Clause 1.2.1.1.(1)(b) makes it clear that an effort must be made to demonstrate that an alternative solution will perform as well as a design that would satisfy the applicable acceptable solutions in Division B—not “well enough” but “as well as.”
>
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