

THE PRODUCT

Manufactured to exacting standards since 2004, the Betagum brand of roofing felts have been used to waterproof properties throughout the UK and aboard. From a domestic garage roof to the roofs of some of the UK's house-hold named companies Betagum waterproof membranes have been used to provide long lasting peace of mind to property owners. Betagum roofing felt has set the standards others try to emulate without success!

Betagum in its different versions is an elastomeric membrane obtained from distilled bitumen modified with elastomeric resins. Both sides of the membrane are protected by the application of anti-adhesive heat sensitive film. The mineral version differs only by having a surface finish of slate chips.

USES

Betagum waterproofing membranes are suitable for use in applications on various roof types, whether they are insulated or not, especially those which are subjected to high levels of stress such as timber or metal decks. The mineral version is used as a cap sheet in multi-layer waterproofing systems. Ideal also for use in cold climates.

INSTALLATION

The surface where the **Betagum** is to be installed must be smooth, clean, dry and treated, if required with EDS FD PRIMER (for example if the Betagum is to be fully adhered). The Betagum membrane should be unrolled and laid out on the dry primed coating, which will enhance the adhesion to the deck. It is then aligned before being rolled up again. The Betagum membrane is then slowly unrolled while the lower surface is heated using a propane gas roofing torch until the anti-adhesive film melts and the bituminous compound itself starts to melt. Side laps must be at least 75mm and head laps 150mm. After forming the overlap, the joint (whilst still hot) must be pressed using a round nosed trowel to ensure the joint is correctly formed, and to level the molten bituminous compound which will inevitably seep from a correctly executed joint. The hot surface of the Betagum membrane should not be scraped using the trowel to avoid exposing the carrier. Betagum can be installed as a loose laid, partially attached or fully adhered, as required in the specification of the overall roof package. It should be noted that this refers only to the first layer of a multi-layer system and that subsequent layers must always be fully adhered.

TECHNICAL CHARACTERISTICS

Warning: Betagum membranes must be protected by a cap sheet or by paving or gravel.

TOOL REQUIRMENTS

For the correct installation of Betagum membranes, all that is required is a propane gas roofing torch complete with gas bottle, reduction valve and at least 10M of approved type hose, a round nosed trowel or spatula, a utility knife and a pair of protective gloves.

PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL CHARACTERISTICS

Elastomeric bitumen polymer compound (SBS) Good low temperature resistance Good elongation Good elastic memory Absolute water tightness Good resistance to acids and alkalis (chalk resistance table) Carrier Wear resistance Elongation Rot Proof **Dimensional Stable** Slate chip finish Reduces the spread of flame in case of fire Protection from ultraviolet rays Ageing resistance Aesthetically pleasing finish

TECHNICAL CHARACTERISTICS	BETAGUM MINERAL	BETAGUM P	BETAGUM V
R&B Softening point ***** (ASTM D-36)	105°C	105°C	105°C
Carrier Type	Non Woven Polvester	Non Woven Polvester	Woven Glass Fibres
Width * (UNI 8202)	1M 8M	1M 8M/16M	1M 8M/16M
Mass *** (UNI 8202) Cold floxibility ** (UNI 8202)	5Kg/4.5kg	5Kg/4kg/3Kg/2kg	4Kg/3Kg/2Kg
Tensile strength ***	-15 0	-15 0	-13 C
Ultimate longitudinal load Ultimate transverse load Ultimate longitudinal elongation Ultimate transverse elongation	750 N/5cm 450 N/5cm 35% 45%	750 N/5cm 450 N/5cm 35% 45%	300N/5cm 200N/5cm 2% 2%
Static puncture resistance (UNI 8202) On 30kg/m3 density polystyrene	SP3	SP3	SP1
Dynamic puncture resistance (UNI 8202) On 30kg/m3 density polystyrene	DP4	DP4	DP3
Impermeability to water (UNI 8202) Joint pressure in air **** (UNI 8202)	Absolute 10kPa	Absolute 10kPa	Absolute 10kPa

Tolerances to UNI standards

Cold flexibility of mineral membranes is measured on the lower surface

*** Tolerances as per UEAtc European Directives of January 1984 for polymer bitumen membranes

**** No greater than

+++++ No lower than

N.B. Values indicated do not vary greatly with different areic mass



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