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Product Sheet 1

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# **DON & LOW ROOF LININGS**

# DALTEX ROOFSHIELD FOR USE IN WARM NON-VENTILATED AND COLD VENTILATED ROOFS

This Agrément Certificate Product Sheet<sup>(1)</sup> relates to Daltex Roofshield<sup>(2)</sup>, a roof lining for use in warm non-ventilated and cold ventilated pitched roofs (for use in energy efficient non-ventilated cold pitched roofs, see Agrément Certificate 99/3648).

- (1) Hereinafter referred to as 'Certificate'.
- (2) Daltex Roofshield is a registered trademark of Don & Low Limited.

#### **CERTIFICATION INCLUDES:**

- factors relating to compliance with Building Regulations where applicable
- factors relating to additional non-regulatory information where applicable
- independently verified technical specification
- assessment criteria and technical investigations
- design considerations
- · installation guidance
- · regular surveillance of production
- formal three-yearly review.



#### **KEY FACTORS ASSESSED**

**Weathertightness** — as part of a complete roof, the product will resist the passage of water and wind-blown snow and dust into the interior of the building (see section 6).

**Risk of condensation** — the product is an air permeable and a low water vapour resistance (Type LR) underlay and can be used as part of a warm non-ventilated and cold ventilated pitched roof system (see section 7).

**Wind loading** — when installed on appropriately spaced battens the product's physical properties are deemed adequate to resist the wind loads imposed on the underlay. The product will reduce the wind uplift forces acting on the roof covering (see section 8).

**Strength** — the product has adequate strength to resist the loads associated with installation of the roof (see section 9). **Properties in relation to fire** — the product is classified as Class E in accordance with BS EN 13501-1: 2007 and its use is restricted in some cases by the national Building Regulations (see section 10).

**Durability** — under the normal conditions found in a roof space, the product will have a service life comparable to that of a traditional roof tile underlay (see section 12).

The BBA has awarded this Certificate to the company named above for the product described herein. This product has been assessed by the BBA as being fit for its intended use provided it is installed, used and maintained as set out in this Certificate.

On behalf of the British Board of Agrément

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Hardy Giesler

Chief Executive Officer

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# Regulations

In the opinion of the BBA, Daltex Roofshield for use in warm non-ventilated and cold ventilated roofs, if installed, used and maintained in accordance with this Certificate, can satisfy or contribute to satisfying the relevant requirements of the following Building Regulations (the presence of a UK map indicates that the subject is related to the Building Regulations in the region or regions of the UK depicted):



# The Building Regulations 2010 (England and Wales) (as amended)

Requirement: Comment:

B4(1) **External fire spread** 

The product is restricted by this Requirement in some circumstances. See sections 10.1

and 10.2 of this Certificate.

Requirement: C2(b)

Resistance to moisture

Comment: The product will contribute to a roof satisfying this Requirement. See section 6.1 of this

Certificate.

Regulation: 7(1) Materials and workmanship

Comment: The product is acceptable. See section 12 and the *Installation* part of this Certificate.



# The Building (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (as amended)

Regulation: 8(1) Durability, workmanship and fitness of materials

Comment: The use of the product satisfies the requirements of this Regulation. See section 12 and

the Installation part of this Certificate.

Regulation: 9 **Building standards applicable to construction** 

Standard: 2.6 Spread to neighbouring buildings

The product is restricted under clause  $2.6.4^{(1)(2)}$  of this Standard in some circumstances. Comment:

See sections 10.1 and 10.3 of this Certificate,

Standard: 3.10 Precipitation

The product will contribute to a roof satisfying clauses  $3.10.1^{(1)(2)}$  and  $3.10.8^{(1)(2)}$  of this Comment:

Standard. See section 6.1 of this Certificate.

Standard: 7.1(a) Statement of sustainability

Comment: The product can contribute to satisfying the relevant requirements of Regulation 9,

Standards 1 to 6, and therefore will contribute to a construction meeting a bronze level

of sustainability as defined in this Standard.

Regulation: 12 **Building standards applicable to conversions** 

Comments in relation to the product under Regulation 9, Standards 1 to 6, also apply to Comment:

this Regulation, with reference to clause  $0.12.1^{(1)(2)}$  and Schedule  $6^{(1)(2)}$ .

(1) Technical Handbook (Domestic).

(2) Technical Handbook (Non-Domestic).



# The Building Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2012 (as amended)

Fitness of materials and workmanship Regulation: 23(a)(i)

The product is acceptable. See section 12 and the *Installation* part of this Certificate. Comment: (iii)(b)(i)

Regulation: 28(b) Resistance to moisture and weather

Comment: The product will contribute to a roof satisfying this Regulation. See section 6.1 of this

Certificate.

# Construction (Design and Management) Regulations 2015 Construction (Design and Management) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2016

Information in this Certificate may assist the client, designer (including Principal Designer) and contractor (including Principal Contractor) to address their obligations under these Regulations.

See sections:

1 Description, 10 Properties in relation to fire (10.4) and 14 General (14.6) of this Certificate.

# **Additional Information**

### **NHBC Standards 2022**

In the opinion of the BBA, Daltex Roofshield for use in warm non-ventilated and cold ventilated roofs if installed, used and maintained in accordance with this Certificate, can satisfy or contribute to satisfying the relevant requirements in relation to *NHBC Standards*, Chapter 7.2 *Pitched roofs*.

# **CE** marking

The Certificate holder has taken the responsibility of CE marking the product in accordance with harmonised European Standard BS EN 13859-1: 2014.

# **Technical Specification**

# 1 Description

Daltex Roofshield for use in warm non-ventilated and cold ventilated roofs is a triple layer spun-bonded polypropylene breather membrane. The product has the nominal characteristics given in Table 1.

Table 1 Nominal characteristics	
Thickness (mm) Mass per unit area (g·m <sup>-2</sup> ) Roll length (m) Roll width (m)	0.75 185 50/100 1.0/1.5 <sup>(1)</sup>
Colour upper Lower	green <sup>(1)</sup> white <sup>(1)</sup>
Tensile strength (N per 50 mm) Longitudinal Transverse	390 230
Elongation (%) longitudinal transverse	55 75
Tear resistance (N) longitudinal transverse	230 275
Resistance to penetration of air (m <sup>3</sup> ·m <sup>-2</sup> ·h <sup>-1</sup> ·50 Pa <sup>-1</sup> ) Watertightness unaged aged <sup>(2)</sup>	34.4 W1 W1
Water vapour transmission(S <sub>d</sub> ) Water vapour resistance (MN·s·g <sup>-1</sup> )	0.013 0.065

<sup>(1)</sup> Other widths and colours are available.

<sup>(2)</sup> Aged in accordance with BS EN 13859-1 : 2014, Annex C.

#### 2 Manufacture

- 2.1 The membrane is manufactured by a lamination of an air and water vapour permeable membrane between two layers of non-woven spunbond polypropylene.
- 2.2 As part of the assessment and ongoing surveillance of product quality, the BBA has:
- agreed with the manufacturer the quality control procedures and product testing to be undertaken
- assessed and agreed the quality control operated over batches of incoming materials
- monitored the production process and verified that it is in accordance with the documented process
- evaluated the process for management of nonconformities
- checked that equipment has been properly tested and calibrated
- undertaken to carry out the above measures on a regular basis through a surveillance process, to verify that the specifications and quality control operated by the manufacturer are being maintained.
- 2.3 The management system of the manufacturer has been assessed and registered as meeting the requirements of BS EN ISO 9001 : 2015 by BSI (Certificate FM 45536).
- 2.4 The product is marketed in the UK by The A. Proctor Group, The Haugh, Blairgowrie, Perthshire, PH10 7ER, tel: 01250 872261, fax: 01250 872727, email: contact@proctorgroup.com, website: www.proctorgroup.com.

# 3 Delivery and site handling

- 3.1 Rolls are delivered to site individually wrapped in polythene. A technical leaflet bearing the product name is included with each roll, and the BBA logo incorporating the number of this Certificate is shown on the leaflet.
- 3.2 The rolls should be stored flat or on end, on a smooth, clean, dry surface, under cover and protected from sunlight.

# **Assessment and Technical Investigations**

The following is a summary of the assessment and technical investigations carried out on Daltex Roofshield for use in warm non-ventilated and cold ventilated roofs.

# **Design Considerations**

## 4 Use

- 4.1 Daltex Roofshield for use in warm non-ventilated and cold ventilated roofs is satisfactory for use as a fully supported or unsupported underlay in tiled and slated pitched roofs constructed in accordance with the relevant clauses of BS 5534: 2014.
- 4.2 The product can also be used in energy efficient non-ventilated cold pitched roof systems. This application is covered by Agrément Certificate 99/3648.

# 5 Practicability of installation

Installation can be readily carried out by slaters/tilers experienced with this type of product.

### 6 Weathertightness



6.1 The product is classified as Class W1 in accordance with BS EN 13859-1: 2014. The product will resist the passage of water, wind-blown snow and dust into the interior of a building under all conditions to be found in a roof constructed in accordance with the relevant clauses of BS 5534: 2014.

6.2 The product resists penetration of liquid water and consequently may be used as temporary waterproofing prior to the installation of slates or tiles. The period of such use should, however, be kept to a minimum. Further information is given in BBA Information Bulletin No 2 *Permeable Roof Tile Underlay — Guide to Good Site Practice*.

#### 7 Risk of condensation

- 7.1 For design purposes, the product's water vapour resistance may be taken as not more than 0.1 MN·s·g<sup>-1</sup>, and for roofs designed in accordance with BS 5534 : 2014 or BS 5250 : 2021, Section 12, it may be regarded as a Type LR membrane.
- 7.2 The product is also air permeable with a nominal value of 34.4  $\text{m}^3 \cdot \text{h}^{-1} \cdot \text{m}^{-2}$  at 50 Pa pressure difference, allowing a significant additional mechanism for water vapour egress by convection.
- 7.3 In common with all roofs, care must be taken in the overall design and installation to minimise the risk of water vapour coming into contact with cold parts of the construction. Factors to be considered and minimised include moisture diffusion through the ceiling, infiltration through unsealed openings/penetrations in the ceiling and services evaporating or venting moisture into cold spaces.
- 7.4 The risk of condensation is highest in new-build construction during the first heating period, where there is high moisture loading due to wet trades, such as in-situ cast concrete slabs or plaster. The air permeability of the product will reduce this risk (see section 7.2). The risk of condensation diminishes as the building naturally dries out. See BBA Information Bulletin No 1 *Roof Tile Underlays in Cold Roofs during the Drying-out Period.*

#### Ceiling and insulation horizontal (cold roof)

7.5 Roofs designed and constructed in accordance with BS 5250 : 2021 Section 12 will adequately limit the risk of interstitial condensation. Alternatively, see section 4.2.

#### Ceiling and insulation inclined (warm roof)

7.6 For roofs with an insulated ceiling, ventilation above or below the underlay will not be required provided that the passage of moisture by diffusion and by convection is controlled, eg by a continuous envelope of insulation with a high vapour resistance. Ventilation may be required if specified by the tile manufacturer or where the roof covering is airtight, as described in BS 5250: 2021.

#### Partially inclined ceiling and insulation (warm and cold roof)

7.7 Where an insulated ceiling only spans part of the roof line, resulting cold roof spaces should be ventilated in accordance with BS 5250 : 2021, Section 12. Alternatively, see section 4.2.

# 8 Wind loading

8.1 Project design wind speeds for the roof in which the product is installed should be determined, and wind uplift forces calculated, in accordance with BS EN 1991-1-4: 2005 and its UK National Annex.

# Unsupported

8.2 The product is satisfactory for use in unsupported systems in the geographical wind zones given in Table 2, where a well-sealed ceiling as defined in BS 9250 : 2007, Clause 3.7, is present and the roof has a ridge height of  $\leq$ 15 m, a pitch between 12.5° and 75° and a site altitude  $\leq$ 100 m, and where topography is not significant. For all other cases, the required uplift resistance should be determined using BS 5534 : 2014 and the Certificate holder's declared wind uplift resistances in Table 3.

Table 2 Zones of applicability of Roofshield with battened laps and laps with counter battens according to BS 5534 : 2014, clause A.8

Product	≤345 mm batten gauge	≤250 mm batten gauge	≤345 mm batten gauge with counter batten <sup>(1)</sup>
Roofshield	Zones 1 to 3	Zones 1 to 5	Zones 1 to 5

(1) This applies to any counter batten ≥11 mm deep. The NHBC does not accept the wind zones and wind uplift resistance based on the use of counter battens on an unsupported roof.

Table 3 Declared wind uplift resistance Pa						
Product	≤345 mm batten gauge <sup>(1)</sup>	≤250 mm batten gauge <sup>(1)(2)</sup>	≤345 mm batten gauge with counter batten <sup>(1)(3)</sup>			
Roofshield	1252	2574	2192			

- (1) Mean of test results.
- (2) Underlays with a wind uplift resistance at a 250 mm batten gauge that meet the minimum design wind pressure of 820 Pa for Zone 1 are deemed to satisfy the requirements for use at 100 mm batten gauge in all wind zones.
- (3) This applies to any counter batten ≥11 mm deep. The NHBC does not accept the wind zones and wind uplift resistance based on the use of counter battens on an unsupported roof.

#### Supported

- 8.3 The product, when fully supported, has adequate resistance to wind uplift forces.
- 8.4 The product may be used at any batten gauge in all wind zones when laid over nominally airtight sheet sarking (eg OSB, plywood, chipboard) and insulation for warm-roof design. It may also be used in applications where slates are nailed directly onto sarking boards.
- 8.5 Timber sarking, such as square-edged butt jointed planks, is not considered to be airtight and the underlay is treated as unsupported. When used with slates nailed directly onto softwood sarking boards, the product is satisfactory for use in geographical wind zones 1 to 5 and will achieve a declared wind uplift resistance of 2974 Pa.

### 9 Strength

The product will resist the normal loads associated with installation of the roof.

## 10 Properties in relation to fire



- 10.1 The product has a Class  $E^{(1)}$  classification in accordance with BS EN 13501-1 : 2007.
- (1) BBTG Test Report reference 27/05429E/09/20. A copy of the report is available from the Certificate holder.



10.2 In England and Wales, the product when used in pitches of greater than 70°, should not be used on buildings that have a storey at least 18 m above ground level and which contain one or more dwellings, an institution, a room for residential purposes (excluding any room in a hostel, hotel or boarding house), student accommodation, care homes, sheltered housing, hospitals or dormitories in boarding schools.



10.3 In Scotland, the products, when used in pitches greater than 70°, excluding upstands, should not be used on buildings that have a storey more than 11 m above ground level.

- 10.4 When the product is used unsupported, there is a risk that fire can spread if the material is accidently ignited during maintenance works, eg by a roofer's or plumber's torch. As with all types of underlay, care should be taken during building and maintenance to avoid the material becoming ignited.
- 10.5 When the product is used in a fully supported situation, the reaction to fire will primarily be determined by the support.

#### 11 Maintenance

As the product is confined within a roof structure and has suitable durability (see section 12), maintenance is not required. However, it must be ensured that damage occurring before enclosure is repaired (see section 17).

## 12 Durability



The product will be virtually unaffected by the normal conditions found in a roof space and will have a life comparable with that of a traditional roof tile underlay, provided it is not exposed to sunlight for long periods (see section 14.4). Advice regarding exposure can be obtained from the Certificate holder.

# 13 Reuse and recyclability

The product is made from polyolefins, which can be recycled.

#### Installation

#### 14 General

- 14.1 The product must be installed and fixed in accordance with the marketing company's instructions, provisions of this Certificate and the relevant recommendations of BS 5534 : 2014, BS 8000-0 : 2014 and BS 8000-6 : 2013. Installation can be carried out under all conditions normal to roofing work.
- 14.2 The product is installed with the green side uppermost and lapped to shed water out and down the slope.
- 14.3 Overlaps must be provided with the minimum dimensions given in Table 4.

Table 4 Minimum ove	erlaps		
Roof pitch (°)	Horizontal laps (mm)		Vortical lans (mm)
	Not fully supported	Fully supported	Vertical laps (mm)
12.5 ≤ 15	225	150	100
≥15	150	100	100

- 14.4 Where possible, eaves guards should be used to protect the product from sunlight, and to direct water into the gutter.
- 14.5 Hips should be covered with a 600 mm wide strip of the product.
- 14.6 The product has a smooth surface with a low coefficient of friction and care should be taken when moving or standing on a wet surface covered with the product.

#### 15 Procedure

#### Unsupported

15.1 The product, when installed as an unsupported system, is fixed in the traditional method for roof tile underlays, ie draped between the rafters.

#### **Fully supported**

- 15.2 The product may be used over sarking boards of softwood, C4 grade chipboard, water-resistance grade plywood or water-resistant grade OSB and either with continuous insulation or insulation placed between the rafters.
- 15.3 The product is secured to the support with counter battens at least 12 mm thick to create an air space between the product and the tiles for drainage and vapour dispersal<sup>(1)</sup>. The counter battens are fixed with corrosion-resistant

staples or galvanized clout nails as appropriate. Tiling battens are secured to the counter battens and rafters with appropriate fixings.

- (1) This space must be ventilated in accordance with BS 5250: 2021 when using tight fitting roof covering.
- 15.4 Care must be taken to minimise the risk of interstitial condensation as described in section 7.5. This is particularly the case for timber sarking which may be below the dew-point for extended periods during winter months.

#### **Factory-fabricated roof panel**

15.5 The product can be used in factory-fabricated roof panels which are assembled under factory-controlled conditions. However, these panels have not been assessed by the BBA and are therefore outside the scope of this Certificate.

# 16 Finishing

- 16.1 Detailing of abutments, verges and hips must be in accordance with the Certificate holder's instructions.
- 16.2 Tiling and slating must be carried out in accordance with the relevant clauses of BS 5534 : 2014, BS 8000-0 : 2014 and BS 8000-6 : 2013 and the Certificate holder's instructions, especially when using tightly jointed slates or tiles.

## 17 Repair

Damage to the product can be repaired prior to the installation of the slates or tiles by replacement of the damaged areas, by patching and sealing correctly. Care should be taken to ensure that the watertightness of the roof is maintained.

## **Technical Investigations**

### 18 Tests

- 18.1 An assessment was made of data to BS EN 13859-1: 2014 in relation to:
- dimensions
- mass per unit area
- tensile strength and elongation
- · resistance to tear
- dimensional stability
- resistance to water penetration
- resistance to artificial ageing
- resistance to penetration of air
- water vapour transmission.
- 18.2 Tests were carried out to determine:
- slip resistance
- Mullen burst strength
- resistance to wind loads.

## In order to assess:

- safety during installation
- performance under typical service conditions
- robustness during installation
- properties when installed.

# 19 Investigations

- 19.1 The manufacturing process was evaluated, including the methods adopted for quality control, and details were obtained of the quality and composition of the materials used.
- 19.2 The condensation risk in warm roof constructions, and specifically those containing sarking boards, incorporating the product was examined.
- 19.3 Data on wet strength were examined.
- 19.4 An examination was made of independent data on the investigation of wind loads on the underlay/tile roof systems and data on behaviour of roof tile underlays under suction.

# **Bibliography**

BS 5250: 2021 Management of moisture in buildings – Code of practice

BS 5534: 2014 + A2: 2018 Slating and tiling for pitched roofs and vertical cladding - Code of practice

BS 8000-0: 2014 Workmanship on construction sites — Introduction and general principles

BS 8000-6: 2013 Workmanship on building sites — Code of practice for slating and tiling of roofs and walls

BS 9250: 2007 Code of practice for design of the airtightness of ceilings in pitched roofs

BS EN 1991-1-4 : 2005 + A1 : 2010 Eurocode 1: Actions on structures — General actions — Wind actions

NA to BS EN 1991-1-4 : 2005 + A1 : 2010 UK National Annex to Eurocode 1: Actions on structures — General actions — Wind actions

BS EN 13501-1 : 2007 + A1 : 2009 Fire classification of construction products and building elements — Classification using test data from reaction to fire tests

BS EN 13859-1 : 2014 Flexible sheets for waterproofing — Definitions and characteristics of underlays — Underlays for discontinuous roofing

BS EN ISO 9001 : 2015 Quality management systems — Requirements

# **Conditions of Certification**

#### 20 Conditions

#### 20.1 This Certificate:

- relates only to the product/system that is named and described on the front page
- is issued only to the company, firm, organisation or person named on the front page no other company, firm, organisation or person may hold or claim that this Certificate has been issued to them
- is valid only within the UK
- has to be read, considered and used as a whole document it may be misleading and will be incomplete to be selective
- is copyright of the BBA
- is subject to English Law.

20.2 Publications, documents, specifications, legislation, regulations, standards and the like referenced in this Certificate are those that were current and/or deemed relevant by the BBA at the date of issue or reissue of this Certificate.

20.3 This Certificate will remain valid for an unlimited period provided that the product/system and its manufacture and/or fabrication, including all related and relevant parts and processes thereof:

- are maintained at or above the levels which have been assessed and found to be satisfactory by the BBA
- continue to be checked as and when deemed appropriate by the BBA under arrangements that it will determine
- are reviewed by the BBA as and when it considers appropriate.

20.4 The BBA has used due skill, care and diligence in preparing this Certificate, but no warranty is provided.

20.5 In issuing this Certificate the BBA is not responsible and is excluded from any liability to any company, firm, organisation or person, for any matters arising directly or indirectly from:

- the presence or absence of any patent, intellectual property or similar rights subsisting in the product/system or any other product/system
- the right of the Certificate holder to manufacture, supply, install, maintain or market the product/system
- actual installations of the product/system, including their nature, design, methods, performance, workmanship and maintenance
- any works and constructions in which the product/system is installed, including their nature, design, methods, performance, workmanship and maintenance
- any loss or damage, including personal injury, howsoever caused by the product/system, including its manufacture, supply, installation, use, maintenance and removal
- any claims by the manufacturer relating to CE marking.

20.6 Any information relating to the manufacture, supply, installation, use, maintenance and removal of this product/system which is contained or referred to in this Certificate is the minimum required to be met when the product/system is manufactured, supplied, installed, used, maintained and removed. It does not purport in any way to restate the requirements of the Health and Safety at Work etc. Act 1974, or of any other statutory, common law or other duty which may exist at the date of issue or reissue of this Certificate; nor is conformity with such information to be taken as satisfying the requirements of the 1974 Act or of any statutory, common law or other duty of care.