

ROOF GARDEN

Root Barrier



Overview

Carlisle's Root Barrier is a non-reinforced, heat-weldable, polypropylene sheet specifically formulated for use in below-grade and vegetated applications to resist root penetration and soil bacteria. Carlisle's Root Barrier is typically used in medium to deep Roof Garden assemblies where plants, such as grasses, with intrusive roots are used. This high-performance Root Barrier is based on a UV-stabilized polypropylene copolymer which does not require polymeric or liquid plasticizers to maintain flexibility. The relatively smooth surface of the Carlisle Root Barrier facilitates production of a total surface fusion weld that creates a consistent, watertight, monolithic sheet.

Features and Benefits

- » Superb elongation
- » Plasticizer-free, does not contain liquid or polymeric plasticizers
- » Excellent low-temperature impact resistance
- » Excellent chemical and environmental stress-cracking resistance
- » Low water vapor permeance and water absorption
- » Hot melt extrusion processed (not calendered) for very low machine induced shrinkage

Installation

After the insulation or protection layers are in place, simply hoist Carlisle Root Barrier to the roof and unroll the membrane making sure to overlap the sheets by 3" at the seams. Carlisle's Root Barrier shall terminate inside vegetation-free zones by extending a minimum of 3" past Aluminum Edge. To secure, spot weld to TPO membrane or spot tape to EPDM membrane. To complete field seams, 1.5" hot air welds are created using a Varimat hot-air welder or equivalent to create a monolithic sheet. Once the welds are completed, check the seams for any leaks using a seam probe.

During most installations, Carlisle's Root Barrier will be applied above a protection fabric such as CCW 300HV to prevent abrasion to the roofing membrane. MiraDRAIN® G4 Roof Garden drainage composite will typically be loose laid above the Root Barrier.

Review Carlisle specifications and details for complete installation information.

Specifications

Thickness	40 mils
Standard Width	12'
Standard Length	100'
Typical Weight	0.21 lb/ft ² (1.03 kg/m ²)
Color	Black

LEED® Information

Pre-consumer Recycled Content	0%
Post-consumer Recycled Content	0%
Manufacturing Location	Senotobia, MS
Solar Reflectance Index (SRI)	N/A

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Typical Properties and Characteristics

Physical Property	Test Method	Property of Unaged Sheet	Property After Aging 30 days @ 185°F
Tolerance on nominal thickness, %	ASTM D5199	± 10	
Mass per unit area, lb/ft ² (g/ft ²) (kg/m ²)	ASTM D5261	0.21 (95) (1.03) typical	
Tensile Strength, lbf/in. (kN/m) (reported in lbf per inch of width)	ASTM D638 or D6693 Dumbell IV	72 (12.6) min. 110 (19.3) typical	72 (12.6) min. 110 (19.3) typical
Tensile elongation, % (strain at rupture)	ASTM D638 or D6693 Dumbell IV	700 min. 800 typical	700 min. 800 typical
Tear Resistance, lbf (N)	ASTM D1004 (max. load) Die C	12 (53.3) min. 15 (66.7) typical	12 (53.3) min. 15 (66.7) typical
Low temperature flexibility, °F (°C)	ASTM D2136 1/8 in. mandrel, 4 hour @ temp.	-40 (-40) max. -50 (-46) typical	
Linear Dimensional change (shrinkage), %	ASTM D1204		± 1.0 max. -0.5 typical
Ozone Resistance, 100 pphm, 168 hours	ASTM D1149	No Cracks	No Cracks
Resistance to water (distilled) absorption After 30 days immersion 122°F (50°C) Change in mass, %	ASTM D471	1.0 max. 0.5 typical	
Field seam strength, lbf/in. (kN/m) Seam tested in peel after weld	ASTM D4437 1" wide	Cannot separate weld (breaks outside weld)	
Water vapor permeance, Perms	ASTM E96	0.10 max. 0.05 typical	
Puncture resistance, lbf (N)	ASTM D4833 (index puncture)	30 (133) min. 45 (200) typical 55 (245) typical	30 (133) min. 45 (200) typical 55 (245) typical
Resistance to xenon-arc weathering ¹ Xenon-Arc, 15, 120 kJ/m ² total radiant exposure, visual condition at 10X	ASTM G155 0.70 W/m ² 80°C B.P.T.	No cracks No loss of tensile strength	

¹Approximately equivalent to 12,000 hours exposure at 0.35 W/m² irradiance. B.P.T. is black panel temperature.

Typical properties and characteristics are based on samples tested and are not guaranteed for all samples of this product. This data and information is intended as a guide and does not reflect the specification range for any particular property of this product.