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AXTER BITUMEN ROOF WATERPROOFING SYSTEMS

FORCE DALLE GREEN ROOF AND BLUE ROOF WATERPROOFING SYSTEMS

This Agrément Certificate Product Sheet⁽¹⁾ relates to Force Dalle⁽²⁾ Green Roof and Blue Roof Waterproofing Systems, a range of SBS modified bitumen membranes with polyester reinforcement, used as single layer roof waterproofing or as part of a built-up system, for use on protected, cold, warm or inverted flat roofs, terraces, balconies and podia, including zero fall roofs, green roofs and roof gardens, and blue roof specifications in combination with a stormwater attenuation system⁽³⁾.

(1) Hereinafter referred to as 'Certificate'.

(2) Force Dalle is a registered trademark.

(3) Stormwater attenuation systems are outside the scope of this Certificate.

The assessment includes

Product factors:

- compliance with Building Regulations
- compliance with additional regulatory or non-regulatory information where applicable
- evaluation against technical specifications
- assessment criteria and technical investigations
- uses and design considerations

Process factors:

- compliance with Scheme requirements
- installation, delivery, handling and storage
- production and quality controls
- maintenance and repair

Ongoing contractual Scheme elements†:

- regular assessment of production
- formal 3-yearly review



KEY FACTORS ASSESSED

- Section 1. Mechanical resistance and stability
- Section 2. Safety in case of fire
- Section 3. Hygiene, health and the environment
- Section 4. Safety and accessibility in use
- Section 5. Protection against noise
- Section 6. Energy economy and heat retention
- Section 7. Sustainable use of natural resources
- Section 8. Durability

The BBA has awarded this Certificate to the company named above for the systems described herein. These systems have been assessed by the BBA as being fit for their intended use provided they are installed, used and maintained as set out in this Certificate.

On behalf of the British Board of Agrément

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Chief Executive Officer

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SUMMARY OF ASSESSMENT AND COMPLIANCE

This section provides a summary of the assessment conclusions; readers should refer to the later sections of this Certificate for information about the assessments carried out.

Compliance with Regulations

Having assessed the key factors, the opinion of the BBA is that Force Dalle Green Roof and Blue Roof Waterproofing Systems, 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 Building Regulations 2010 (England and Wales) (as amended)

Requirement:	B4(1)	External fire spread
Comment:		The use of the systems on balconies is restricted by this Requirement. See section 2 of this Certificate.
Requirement:	B4(2)	External fire spread
Comment:		On a suitable substructure, the systems may enable a roof to be unrestricted by this Requirement. See section 2 of this Certificate.
Requirement:	C2(b)	Resistance to moisture
Comment:		The systems will enable a roof to satisfy this Requirement. See section 3 of this Certificate.
Regulation:	7(1)	Materials and workmanship
Comment:		The systems are acceptable. See sections 8 and 9 of this Certificate.
Regulation:	7(2)	Materials and workmanship
Comment:		The use of the systems on balconies is restricted by this Regulation. See section 2 of this Certificate.



The Building (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (as amended)

Regulation:	8(1)(2)	Fitness and durability of materials and workmanship
Comment:		The systems are acceptable. See sections 8 and 9 of this Certificate.
Regulation:	8(3)	Fitness and durability of materials and workmanship
Comment:		The use of the systems on balconies is restricted by this Regulation. See section 2 of this Certificate.
Regulation:	9	Building standards – construction
Standard:	2.2	Separation
Standard:	2.7	Spread on external walls
Comment:		The use of the systems on balconies is restricted by these Standards, with reference to clauses 2.2.7 ⁽¹⁾ and 2.7.2 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾ . See section 2 of this Certificate.
Standard:	2.8	Spread from neighbouring buildings
Comment:		The systems, when applied to a suitable substructure, may enable a roof to be unrestricted by this Standard, with reference to clause 2.8.1 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾ . See section 2 of this Certificate.
Standard:	3.10	Precipitation
Comment:		The systems will enable a roof to satisfy this Standard, with reference to clauses 3.10.1 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾ and 3.10.7 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾ . See section 3 of this Certificate.

Standard: Comment:	7.1(a)	Statement of sustainability The systems 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: Comment:	12	Building standards – conversion Comments given for the systems under Regulation 9, Standards 1 to 6, also apply to 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)

Regulation: Comment:	23(1)(a)(i)(ii) (iii)(iv)(b)(i)	Fitness of materials and workmanship The systems are acceptable. See sections 8 and 9 of this Certificate.
Regulation: Comment:	23(2)	Fitness of materials and workmanship The use of the systems on balconies is restricted by this Regulation. See section 2 of this Certificate.
Regulation: Comment:	28(b)	Resistance to moisture and weather The systems will enable a roof to satisfy this Regulation. See section 3 of this Certificate.
Regulation: Comment:	36(a)	External fire spread The use of the systems on balconies is restricted by this Regulation. See section 2 of this Certificate.
Regulation: Comment:	36(b)	External fire spread On a suitable substructure, the systems may enable a roof to be unrestricted by this Regulation. See section 2 of this Certificate.

Additional Information

NHBC Standards 2025

In the opinion of the BBA, Force Dalle Green Roof and Blue Roof Waterproofing Systems, if installed, used and maintained in accordance with this Certificate, can satisfy or contribute to satisfying the relevant requirements in relation to *NHBC Standards, 7.1 Flat roofs, terraces and balconies*.

In addition, in the opinion of the BBA, the systems, when installed and used in accordance with this Certificate, can satisfy or contribute to satisfying the relevant requirements in relation to *NHBC Standards for Conversions and Renovations*, taking account of other relevant guidance within the chapter and the suitability of the substrate to receive the systems.

The NHBC Standards do not cover the refurbishment of existing roofs.

Fulfilment of Requirements

The BBA has judged Force Dalle Green Roof and Blue Roof Waterproofing Systems to be satisfactory for use as reinforced modified waterproofing membranes described in this Certificate. The systems have been assessed for use on protected, cold, warm or inverted flat roofs, terraces, balconies and podia, including zero fall roofs, green roofs, roof gardens and blue roof specifications in combination with a stormwater attenuation system.

ASSESSMENT

Product description and intended use

The Certificate holder provided the following description for the systems under assessment. Force Dalle Green Roof and Blue Roof Waterproofing Systems consist of:

- Force 4000 Dalle — a torch-on styrene-butadiene-styrene (SBS) modified bitumen capsheet with a polyester reinforcement (nominal $180 \text{ g}\cdot\text{m}^{-2}$), with a thermofusible film on the upper and lower faces
- Force Dalle Flame Free — a self-adhesive, root-resistant SBS modified bitumen capsheet with a polyester reinforcement (nominal $180 \text{ g}\cdot\text{m}^{-2}$), with a macro-perforated film and sand finish on the upper face and a silicone release film on the lower face
- Force Dalle — a torch-on, root-resistant, SBS modified bitumen capsheet with a polyester reinforcement (nominal $180 \text{ g}\cdot\text{m}^{-2}$), with a thermofusible film on the upper and lower faces
- Force 4000 Trafic — a torch-on, root-resistant SBS modified bitumen capsheet with a polyester reinforcement (nominal $250 \text{ g}\cdot\text{m}^{-2}$), with a slate mineral finish on the upper face and a thermofusible film on the lower face
- Force 4000 Trafic Flame Free — a self-adhesive SBS modified bitumen capsheet, with a polyester reinforcement (nominal $230 \text{ g}\cdot\text{m}^{-2}$), with a slate mineral finish and an adhesive overlap area protected with a silicone release film on the upper face, and a silicone release film on the lower face.

The systems components have the nominal characteristics given in Table 1.

Table 1 Nominal characteristics of Force Dalle Green Roof and Blue Roof Waterproofing Systems

Characteristic (unit)	Force 4000 Dalle	Force Dalle	Force Dalle Flame Free	Force 4000 Trafic	Force 4000 Trafic Flame Free
Thickness (mm)	4	4	4	4	4
Roll width (m)	1	1	1	1	1
Roll length (m)	8	8	8	5 and 8	8
Roll weight (kg)	42	42	39.2	25 and 41	46.5

Ancillary Items

The following ancillary items (covered in Product Sheets 2 and 3 of this Certificate) are essential to use with the systems and have been assessed with the systems:

Hyranger membranes

- Hyranger 35 PY
- Hyranger 25/25 TS
- Hyranger TS CPV
- Hyranger TS
- Hyranger TS PY
- Hyranger 40 PY FP

Matflex membranes

- Matflex PY

Topfix membranes

- Topfix FMP
- Topfix FMP (sanded)
- Topfix PY FMP

Force membranes

- Force 4000 S
- Force 4000 Flame Free.

Vernis SA, a synthetic rubber-based primer for use with flame-free systems, is essential to use with the systems and has been assessed with the systems.

The Certificate holder recommends the following ancillary items for use with the systems, but these materials have not been assessed by the BBA and are outside the scope of this Certificate:

- Vernis Antac — a solvent-based, bitumen primer
- Vernis Antac GC — a solvent-based elastomeric bitumen primer
- Vernis Seal — a synthetic resin-based pigmented primer
- Stickflex — a self-adhesive SBS modified bitumen underlay with a 50 g·m⁻² glass fibre reinforcement, a self-adhesive receivable film finish on the upper face, and a silicone release film on the lower face
- additional Axter roofing membranes which can be used in conjunction with Axter Force Dalle Green Roof and Blue Roof Waterproofing Systems — Excel (also known as Alpal Décor CPV), Arma CPV, Topaz 25, Armalu and Paxinox
- Hyranger 35PY Angle Reinforcement
- Thermecran — a perforated membrane for use in partially bonded applications
- Planivent — a perforated membrane for use in partially bonded applications
- Axter Adjustable or Fixed-Height Paving and Decking Support System
- Axter Dalle Ceramic — a range of ceramic pavers for use with the Axter Adjustable or Fixed-Height Paving and Timber Decking Support System
- Axter Drainage Membranes and Boards — Axter DRAIN, Hydrodrain/12/20/40, Hydrodrain D500 and Bac Canalis
- Geotextile Filter layer — a 170 g·m⁻² polyester protection or separation layer for use under heavy protection or paving slabs on supports
- Axter Air and Vapour Control Layers (AVCLs) — VAP AL, VAP AL SK, VAP ALU ADH, Hyranger Spot ADH, Hyranger 25/25 TS, Rollstick 21, Roll 25 Alpa, Roll 25 Alpa Alu, Rollstick 31 Alpa, Rollstick 31 Alpa Alu, Stickflex Alu, Stickflex, Stickflex Sanded, Force SA, Vap IND, SK Vap, Antivap and VAP
- Hytherm insulation products — a range of thermal insulation products
- Hyrastick EVO — cold-applied liquid polyurethane adhesive for installing EPS, PUR and PIR insulation boards
- Starcoat R — cold-applied liquid single-component bitumen resin for waterproofing complex details
- Mastic Hyrene — cold bitumen bonding compound
- Mastic Hyraflex — elastomeric compound for pitch pocket detailing and joint filling
- Starcoat QC and Starcoat PMMA Liquid Membranes — cold-applied liquid resins for complex detailing (covered by BBA Certificates 13/5031 and 16/5322)
- Excel Joint and Excel Park — a polyamide-reinforced elastomeric membrane and jointing system for movement and expansion joints including prefabricated junction pieces (Inter-L and Inter-R)
- prefabricated accessories — rainwater outlets, leaf guards, SVP covers, cable penetration units, hot and cold pipe penetration units, Axtrim roof edge trims and termination bars
- Axter Blue Roof attenuation system and associated accessories.

Applications

The systems components are used in the following applications.

- Force 4000 Dalle — for use in fully bonded, partially bonded and loose-laid and ballasted applications including applications on zero fall roofs and blue roofs
- Force Dalle Flame Free — for use in self-adhesive and loose-laid and ballasted applications including applications on zero fall roofs, green roofs, roof gardens and blue roofs
- Force Dalle — for use in fully bonded, partially bonded and loose-laid and ballasted applications including applications on zero fall roofs, green roofs, roof gardens and blue roofs
- Force 4000 Trafic — for use in fully bonded, partially bonded and ballasted applications including applications on zero fall roofs, green roofs, roof gardens and blue roofs
- Force 4000 Trafic Flame Free — for use in self-adhesive and loose-laid and ballasted applications including applications on zero fall and blue roofs

- inverted roof specifications using aggregate ballast and paving on flat roofs, including zero fall roofs with limited access
- protected roof specifications, eg covered by pavers or other suitable protection on flat roofs, including zero fall roofs
- green roof (extensive), biodiverse roof and brown roof specifications on flat roofs, including zero fall roofs with limited access, and roof garden (intensive)
- blue roof specifications in combination with a stormwater attenuation system⁽¹⁾, on flat roofs, including zero fall roofs
- combined blue roof and green roof specifications in combination with a stormwater attenuation system⁽¹⁾, on flat roofs, including zero fall roofs
- balconies and terraces.

(1) Stormwater attenuation systems are outside the scope of this Certificate.

Definitions for product and applications inspected

The following terms are defined for the purpose of this Certificate as:

- limited access roof — a roof subjected only to pedestrian traffic for maintenance of the roof covering and cleaning of gutters, etc. Where traffic in excess of this is envisaged, additional protection to the membrane must be provided
- pedestrian access roof — a roof not subjected to vehicular traffic
- flat roof — a roof having a minimum finished fall of 1:80⁽¹⁾
- pitched roof — a roof having a fall greater than 1:6
- zero fall roof — a roof having a finished fall which can vary between 0 and 1:80⁽¹⁾
- roof garden (intensive) — a roof with a substantial layer of growing medium with planting that can include shrubs and trees, generally accessible to pedestrians
- green roof (extensive) — a roof with a shallow layer of growing medium planted with low-maintenance plants such as mosses, sedums, grasses and some wild flower species
- biodiverse living roof — a roof with a growing medium selected to allow indigenous plant species to inhabit the roof over time
- brown roof — a roof with a growing medium selected to allow indigenous plant species to inhabit the roof over time; no deliberate planting is undertaken
- blue roof — a flat roof designed to allow controlled attenuation of rain fall during heavy and storm events, as part of sustainable urban drainage systems (SUDS).

(1) *NHBC Standards 2025* require a minimum fall of 1:60 for green roofs and roof gardens.

Product assessment – key factors

The systems were assessed for the following key factors, and the outcome of the assessments is shown below. Conclusions relating to the Building Regulations apply to the whole of the UK unless otherwise stated.

1 Mechanical resistance and stability

Not applicable.

2 Safety in case of fire

Data were assessed for the following characteristics.

2.1 External fire spread

2.1.1 When tested to DD CEN/TS 1187 : 2012, Test 4⁽¹⁾⁽³⁾⁽⁵⁾ and classified to EN 13501-5 : 2016⁽²⁾⁽⁴⁾⁽⁶⁾, the systems given in Table 2 of this Certificate achieved B_{ROOF}(t4) for slopes below 10°.

Table 2 Tested systems

Layer	System 1 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	System 2 ⁽³⁾⁽⁴⁾	System 3 ⁽⁵⁾⁽⁶⁾
Substrate	18 mm OSB board ⁽⁷⁾		
AVCL	2.2 mm self-adhesive Vap Alu ADH vapour control layer	—	2.2 mm self-adhesive Vap Alu ADH vapour control layer / 2.65 mm Hyranger spot ADH / 2.65 mm Hyranger 25/25 TS / 2.0 mm Force SA ⁽⁷⁾ / 2.0 mm Stickflex ⁽⁷⁾ / 2.0 mm Stickflex sanded ⁽⁷⁾
Insulation	Hytherm (PIR) insulation board (50 mm or greater thickness) adhered with Hyrastik EVO Adhesive	—	Hytherm ADH (PIR) insulation board (50 mm or greater thickness) adhered with Hyrastik EVO Adhesive
Underlayer	—	—	2.65 mm self-adhesive Hyranger Spot ADH underlayer / 2.0 mm Stickflex ⁽⁷⁾ / 2.0 mm Stickflex sanded ⁽⁷⁾
Cap sheet	4.0 mm thick capsheet – Force Dalle (fully bonded) / Force Dalle Flame Free (self-adhered) / Force 4000 Dalle (fully bonded)	4.0 mm thick capsheet - Force Dalle (fully bonded) / Force Dalle Flame Free (self-adhered) / Force 4000 Dalle (fully bonded)	4.0 mm thick capsheet - Force 4000 Flame Free (self-adhesive)/ Force 4000 Trafic (fully bonded) / Force 4000 Trafic Flame Free (self-adhered)/ Force 4000 S (fully bonded).
Protection	20 mm thick layer of Axter Dalle Ceramic porcelain roof tiles		—

(1) Fire test report reference 20295AB, conducted by Warrington Fire – copies available from the Certificate holder on request.

(2) Classification report reference 20295AD, conducted by Warrington Fire – copies available from the Certificate holder on request.

(3) Fire test report reference 20295AF, conducted by Warrington Fire – copies available from the Certificate holder on request.

(4) Classification report reference 20295AG – conducted by Warrington Fire – copies available from the Certificate holder on request.

(5) Fire test report references 21876A, 20295AK – conducted by Warrington Fire – copies available from the Certificate holder on request.

(6) Classification report reference 21876C – conducted by Warrington Fire – copies available from the Certificate holder on request.

(7) These products have not been assessed and is outside the scope of this Certificate.

2.1.2 On the basis of data assessed, the systems listed above will be unrestricted by the documents supporting the national Building Regulations with respect to proximity to a relevant boundary. Restrictions may apply at junctions with compartment walls.

2.1.3 A roof incorporating the systems will also be unrestricted under the national Building Regulations with respect to a relevant boundary in the following circumstances:

- protected or inverted roof specifications, including an inorganic covering listed in the Annex of Commission Decision 2000/553/EC
- a roof garden covered with a drainage layer of gravel 100 mm thick and a soil layer 300 mm thick
- irrigated roof gardens and green roofs.

2.1.4 In Wales and Northern Ireland, when used on flat roofs using a substrate designated in the supporting documents with the surface finishes listed below, the roof is also deemed to be unrestricted with respect to a relevant boundary:

- bitumen-bedded stone chippings covering the whole surface to a depth of not less than 12.5 mm
- bitumen-bedded tiles of a non-combustible material
- sand and cement screed
- macadam.

2.1.5 The designation and permissible areas of use of other specifications should be confirmed by reference to the requirements of the documents supporting the national Building Regulations.

2.1.6 If allowed to dry, plants used may allow the spread of flame across the roof. This must be taken into consideration when selecting suitable plants for the roof. Appropriate planting, irrigation and/or protection must be applied to ensure the overall fire-rating of the roof is not compromised.

2.2 Reaction to fire

2.2.1 The Certificate holder has not declared a reaction to fire classification for the systems to BS EN 13501-1 : 2018.

2.2.2 On the basis of data assessed, the systems will be restricted in use under the documents supporting the national Building Regulations in some cases.

2.2.3 In England, the systems, when used in pitches greater than 70°, excluding upstands, must not be used less than 1 m from a relevant boundary, or on residential buildings more than 11 m in height, or on other buildings more than 18 m in height. Restrictions apply on assembly and recreation buildings. These constructions must also be included in calculations of unprotected area.

2.2.4 In Wales, the systems, when used in pitches greater than 70°, excluding upstands, must not be used less than 1 m from a relevant boundary, or on other buildings more than 18 m in height. Restrictions apply on assembly and recreation buildings. These constructions must also be included in calculations of unprotected area.

2.2.5 In Scotland, with the exception of use on balconies (see section 2.2.10) the systems may be used without restriction in terms of height and proximity to a relevant boundary. However, restrictions on the overall construction may apply, depending on the reaction to fire classification achieved by the complete system, which must be established on a case-by-case basis.

2.2.6 In Northern Ireland, the systems, when used in pitches greater than 70°, excluding upstands, do not achieve the minimum Class E reaction to fire classification to BS EN 13501-1 : 2018, and designers must seek guidance on the proposed use of the systems from the relevant Building Control Body.

2.2.7 In England, the systems, unless covered with a protection with a reaction to fire of class A1 or A2-s1, d0, for example 40 mm thick cast stone slabs, must not be used on balconies of residential buildings with a storey 11 m or more in height or balconies of 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, a room in a hostel, hotel or boarding house, student accommodation, care homes, sheltered housing, hospitals or dormitories in boarding schools.

2.2.8 In Wales, unless covered with a protection with a reaction to fire of class A1 or A2-s1, d0, for example 40 mm thick cast stone slabs, the systems must not be used on balconies of buildings that have a storey at least 18 m above ground level and contain one or more dwellings, an institution, a room for residential purposes, student accommodation, care homes, sheltered housing, hospitals, dormitories or boarding schools.

2.2.9 In Northern Ireland, unless covered with a protection with a reaction to fire of class A1 or A2-s1, d0, for example 40 mm thick cast stone slabs, the systems must not be used on balconies of buildings that have a storey at least 18 m above ground level and 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, dormitories in boarding schools, nursing homes and places of lawful detention.

2.2.10 In Scotland, the systems must not be used on balconies of buildings with a storey at a height of 11 m or more above the ground.

3 Hygiene, health and the environment

Data were assessed for the following characteristics.

3.1 Weathertightness

3.1.1 Results of weathertightness tests are given in Table 3.

Table 3 Weathertightness tests

System assessed	Assessment method	Requirement	Result
Force Dalle Flame Free	Watertightness to BS EN 1928 : 2000	No leakage after 24 hour exposure to a 6 metre head of water	Pass
Force Dalle Flame Free Force 4000 Traffic Flame Free	Peel from substrate (concrete) to MOAT 64 : 2001 Control sample	$\geq 25 \text{ N}\cdot 50\text{mm}^{-1}$	Pass
Force 4000 Traffic Flame Free on OSB board primed with Vernis SA	Wind uplift to MOAT 64 : 2001	Design value ⁽¹⁾	-5.0 kPa

(1) The value for a specific building should be calculated by a suitably experienced and competent individual in accordance with the relevant parts of BS EN 1991-1-4 : 2005 and its UK National Annex.

3.1.2 The watertightness of Force Dalle Green Roof and Blue Roof Waterproofing Systems was assessed using test data from a representative product.

3.1.3 On the basis of data assessed, Force Dalle Green Roof and Blue Roof Waterproofing Systems, including joints, when completely sealed and consolidated, will adequately resist the passage of moisture to the inside of a building and so satisfy the requirements of the national Building Regulations.

3.1.4 On the basis of data assessed, the adhesion of the bonded systems is sufficient to resist the effects of wind suction, elevated temperature and thermal shock conditions likely to occur in practice.

3.1.5 Force Dalle Green Roof and Blue Roof Waterproofing Systems, when used under inverted roofs, heavy protection, roof garden or green roofs, may be treated as loose laid and ballasted assembled systems in respect of the resistance to wind uplift. The resistance to wind uplift may be determined by calculation of the weight of the protection.

3.2 Resistance to mechanical damage

3.2.1 Results of resistance to mechanical damage tests are given in Table 4.

Table 4 Mechanical damage results

System assessed	Assessment method	Requirement	Result
Force 4000 Dalle	Dynamic indentation to P 84-353 : 1988	Value achieved	23.6 J
Force 4000 Dalle	Static indentation to P 84-352 : 1988	Value achieved	30 kg
Force 4000 Dalle	Fatigue cycling as per CSTB method No. 2358, Annex 1 ⁽¹⁾ 500 cycles at -20°C	No damage	Pass

(1) Equivalent test method to MOAT 64, 4.3.5.

3.2.2 Test data were examined for low temperature flexibility, nail tear and tensile strength on a representative related product.

3.2.3 On the basis of data assessed, Force Dalle Green Roof and Blue Roof Waterproofing Systems can accept, without damage, the foot traffic and light concentrated loads associated with installation and maintenance and the effects of minor movement likely to occur in practice.

3.2.4 Where traffic in excess of the examples given in section 3.2.3 is envisaged, such as for maintenance of lift equipment, a walkway must be provided. Reasonable care must be taken to avoid puncture by sharp objects or concentrated loads.

3.2.5 A green roof or roof garden will provide suitable protection for the systems in use.

3.3 Resistance to root penetration

3.3.1 Test data was examined for root resistance on a representative related product.

3.3.2 On the basis of data assessed, Force Dalle, Force Dalle Flame Free and Force 4000 Traffic will resist penetration by plant roots and so can be used as capsheets in the waterproofing system in green roofs, roof gardens and biodiverse roofs, acting as the root protection layer.

4 Safety and accessibility in use

Not applicable.

5 Protection against noise

Not applicable.

6 Energy economy and heat retention

Not applicable.

7 Sustainable use of natural resources

Not applicable.

8 Durability

8.1 The potential mechanisms for degradation and the known performance characteristics of the materials in the systems were assessed.

8.2 Specific durability test data were assessed, as given in Table 5.

Table 5 Results of durability tests

System assessed	Assessment method	Requirement	Result
Force 4000 Dalle	Fatigue cycling as per CSTB method 2358, Annex 1 heat aged for 28 days at 80°C 200 cycles at -20°C	No damage	Pass
Force 4000 Dalle	Heat resistance to CSTB method 2358, Annex 4 Tested at 90°C	Maximum movement of 2 mm	Pass
Force Dalle Flame Free Force 4000 Traffic Flame Free	Peel from substrate (concrete) to MOAT 64 : 2001 heat aged for 28 days at 80°C	$\geq 25 \text{ N}\cdot 50\text{mm}^{-1}$	Pass
Force 4000 Traffic Flame Free	Low temperature flexibility to BS EN 1109 : 2013	-25°C	Pass

8.3 Test data were examined for the coating mass of a representative related product, on samples aged for six months at 70°C for ring and ball, low temperature flexibility and elasticity recovery tests.

8.4 Visits to existing sites were carried out to assess the long-term performance of the systems in use. The conclusion of the visits was that the systems retained sufficient physical characteristics to maintain their intended function.

8.5 Service life

8.5.1 Under normal service conditions, the systems will have a life of at least 30 years, provided they are designed, installed and maintained in accordance with this Certificate and the Certificate holder's instructions.

8.5.2 Localised loss of the mineral surfacing may occur, after some years, in areas where complex detailing of the roof design is incorporated.

Information provided by the Certificate holder was assessed for the following factors:

9 Design, installation, workmanship and maintenance

9.1 Design

9.1.1 The design process was assessed, and the following requirements apply in order to satisfy the performance assessed in this Certificate.

9.1.2 Decks to which the systems are to be applied must comply with the relevant requirements of BS 6229 : 2018, BS 8217 : 2005 and, where appropriate, *NHBC Standards 2025*, Chapter 7.1.

9.1.3 For design purposes of flat roofs, twice the minimum finished fall must be assumed, unless a detailed analysis of the roof is available, including overall and local deflection, and direction of falls.

9.1.4 Structural decks to which the systems are to be applied must be suitable to transmit the dead and imposed loads experienced in service. Allowance needs to be made for loading deflections to ensure that the free drainage of water is maintained.

9.1.5 Soil or other bulk material must not be stored on one area of the roof prior to installation, to ensure that localised overloading does not occur.

9.1.6 Imposed loads, dead loading and wind loads must be calculated by a suitably experienced and competent individual in accordance with BS EN 1991-1-1 : 2002, BS EN 1991-1-3 : 2003 and BS EN 1991-1-4 : 2005, and their UK National Annexes.

9.1.7 The drainage systems for inverted roofs, zero fall roofs, blue roofs, green roofs or roof gardens must be correctly designed, and the following points must be addressed:

- provision made for access for maintenance purposes
- for zero fall roofs, it is particularly important to identify the correct drainage points, to ensure that drainage is sufficient and effective in accordance with the relevant clauses of BS 6229 : 2018
- dead loads for green roofs and roof gardens can increase if the drains become partially or completely blocked, causing waterlogging of the drainage layer.

9.1.8 Balconies and terraces to which the systems are to be applied must be designed in accordance with BS 8579 : 2020.

9.1.9 If the roof is likely to be subjected to uncontrolled pedestrian access, the substructure must satisfy the requirements of the relevant clauses of BS 8217 : 2005, and one of the surface finishes described in clause 6.12 of the Code of Practice must be used.

9.1.10 The resistance to wind uplift for warm roofs will be dependent on the cohesive strength of the insulation and the method by which it is secured to the roof deck. This must be taken into account when selecting a suitable insulation material.

9.1.11 The ballast requirements for loose-laid specifications must be calculated by a suitably experienced and competent individual in accordance with the relevant parts of BS EN 1991-1-4 : 2005 and its UK National Annex. The systems must always be ballasted with a minimum depth of 50 mm of aggregate (20 to 40 grade gravel). In areas of high wind exposure, the Certificate holder's advice should be sought. Alternatively, concrete slabs on suitable supports can be used.

9.1.12 The ballast on protected roofs must be of a type that will not be removed or become delocalised owing to wind scour experienced on the roof.

9.1.13 The soil used in intensive planting must not be of a type that will be removed, or become localised, owing to wind scour on the site.

9.1.14 It must be recognised that the type of plants used could significantly affect the expected wind loads experienced in service.

9.1.15 Insulation materials to be used in conjunction with the systems must be in accordance with the Certificate holder's instructions and be either:

- as described in the relevant clauses of BS 6229 : 2018, or
- the subject of a current BBA Certificate and be used in accordance with, and within the limitations of, that Certificate.

9.2 Installation

9.2.1 Installation instructions provided by the Certificate holder were assessed and judged to be appropriate and adequate.

9.2.2 Installation must be carried out in accordance with this Certificate, the Certificate holder's instructions and the relevant clauses of BS 8000-0 : 2014, BS 8000-4 : 1989 and BS 8217 : 2005. A summary of instructions and guidance is provided in Annex A of this Certificate.

9.2.3 Deck surfaces must be sound, dry and clean, and free from sharp projections such as nail heads and concrete nibs.

9.2.4 The systems are laid in conditions normal to roofing work and must not be laid in rain, snow or heavy fog. If the temperature is below 5°C, suitable precautions must be taken to prevent the formation of condensation on the substrate.

9.2.5 At falls in excess of 5° (1:11), precautions against slippage, and requirements for mechanical fixing as required by BS 8217 : 2005, must be observed.

9.2.6 The systems are installed with torch-bonded joints or hot-air welded joints (Force Dalle Flame Free) with 100 mm side laps and 150 mm end laps. A minimum 2 mm bead of molten material must exude from all laps to indicate a satisfactory homogeneous seal.

9.2.7 The systems must always be installed with end laps staggered by a minimum of 300 mm and in such a manner that no counter-seams are made in the direction of outlets.

9.2.8 If required, in bonded applications, the substrate is primed using the specified Axter primer at the required rate prior to installation of the systems.

9.2.9 Bonding is achieved by melting the lower surface by torching and pressing the membrane down. Care must be taken not to overheat the coating. Jointing is carried out as described in sections 9.2.6 and 9.2.7.

9.2.10 For partially bonded applications, a layer of either Thermecran or Planivent is loose-laid over the substrate with minimum side laps of 50 mm prior to installation of the membrane.

9.2.11 Force 4000 Dalle/Force Dalle are bonded to the surface of the perforated membrane as described in section 9.2.10. Bonding must occur regularly through the perforations to ensure even bonding of the membrane to the substrate. Jointing is carried out as described in sections 9.2.6 and 9.2.7.

9.2.12 In self-adhered applications, Force Dalle Flame Free and Force 4000 Trafic Flame Free are loose laid over the substrate and positioned, prior to the removal of the protective silicone release film from the underside.

9.2.13 The protective release film is removed as the membrane is unrolled, before adhering the membrane to the substrate with a heavy roller. Jointing is carried out as described in sections 9.2.6 and 9.2.7.

9.2.14 In loose-laid and ballasted applications, a separating layer of Geotextile Filter layer is loose laid over the substructure, with 100 mm loose overlapping joints, and terminating around the perimeter and upstands for a minimum distance of 500 mm.

9.2.15 Joints for loose-laid and ballasted systems, on slopes between 0 and 1°, have an additional 160 mm strip of Hyranger 25/25 TS, or other membrane approved by the Certificate holder, applied over the side joints. The strips must run in the direction of the outlets to avoid trapping water on the roof. Jointing for roofs with 1 to 5° slopes is carried out as described in 9.2.6 and 9.2.7.

9.2.16 Upstands and other detailing must be carried out in accordance with the Certificate holder's installation instructions. On exposed areas, suitable protected capsheets such as Force 4000 S, Force 4000 Flame Free, Force 4000 Traffic or Force 4000 Traffic Flame Free are used to protect the membranes.

9.2.17 The NHBC requires that the systems, once installed, are inspected in accordance with *NHBC Standards 2025* Chapter 7.1, Clause 7.1.11, including undergoing an appropriate integrity test where required. Any damage to the systems assessed in this Certificate must be repaired in accordance with section 9.4 of this Certificate and reinspected, in order to maintain the systems performance.

9.3 Workmanship

Practicability of installation was assessed on the basis of the Certificate holder's information and BS 8217 : 2005. To achieve the performance described in this Certificate, the systems must only be installed by contractors who have been trained and approved by the Certificate holder.

9.4 Maintenance and repair

9.4.1 Ongoing satisfactory performance of the systems in use requires that they are suitably maintained. The guidance provided by the Certificate holder was assessed by the BBA and found to be appropriate and adequate.

9.4.2 The following requirements apply in order to satisfy the performance assessed in this Certificate:

9.4.2.1 The systems must be the subject of six-monthly inspections and maintenance in accordance with the recommendations of BS 6229 : 2018, Chapter 7, and the Certificate holder's own maintenance requirements, where relevant, to ensure continued satisfactory performance.

9.4.2.2 Green roofs and roof gardens must be the subject of regular inspections, particularly in autumn after leaf fall and in spring, to ensure unwanted vegetation and other debris are cleared from the roof and drainage outlets (see section 9.1).

9.4.2.3 In the event of damage, the capsheet must be repaired in accordance with the Certificate holder's instructions. After cleaning, a patch of the same membrane must be applied and bonded to the damaged area, with a suitable overlap.

9.4.3 Where maintenance or repair of any of the roof components above the waterproofing system is necessary, care must be taken to avoid damage to the membrane. If damage occurs, it must be repaired in accordance with the Certificate holder's instructions.

10 **Manufacture**

10.1 The production processes for the systems have been assessed, and provide assurance that the quality controls are satisfactory according to the following factors:

10.1.1 The manufacturer has provided documented information on the materials, processes, testing and control factors.

10.1.2 The quality control operated over batches of incoming materials has been assessed and deemed appropriate and adequate.

10.1.3 The quality control procedures and testing to be undertaken have been assessed and deemed appropriate and adequate.

10.1.4 The process for management of non-conformities has been assessed and deemed appropriate and adequate.

10.1.5 An audit of each production location was undertaken, and it was confirmed that the production process was in accordance with the documented process, and that equipment has been properly tested and calibrated.

† 10.1.6 The BBA has undertaken to review the above activities on a regular basis, through a surveillance process, to verify and re-assure that the specifications and quality control operated by the manufacturer are being maintained.

11 Delivery and site handling

11.1 The Certificate holder stated that the systems are delivered to site on pallets shrink wrapped in polythene bearing the system name; and bands bearing the system name, roll dimensions, production date, batch number and the Certificate holder's name.

11.2 Delivery and site handing must be performed in accordance with the Certificate holder's instructions and this Certificate.

11.2.1 Rolls must be stored upright on a clean, level surface and kept dry, away from excessive heat and under cover.

11.2.2 Self-adhesive components must be stored out of direct sunlight.

Supporting information in this Annex is relevant to the systems but has not formed part of the material assessed for the 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.

CLP Regulations

The Certificate holder has taken the responsibility of classifying and labelling the systems components under the *GB CLP Regulation* and *CLP Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008 - classification, labelling and packaging of substances and mixtures*. Users must refer to the relevant Safety Data Sheet(s).

CE marking

The Certificate holder has taken the responsibility of CE marking the systems in accordance with harmonised European Standard EN 13707 : 2013.

Management Systems Certification for production

The management system of the manufacturer has been assessed and registered as meeting the requirements of EN ISO 9001 : 2015 and EN ISO 14001 : 2015 by AFAQ (Certificates QUAL/1996/5190.12 and No 2011/40665.4 respectively).

Additional information on installation

General

A.1 Recommendations for the design and maintenance of green roof and roof garden specifications are available within the latest edition of the *GRO Green Roof code – Green Roof Code of Best Practice for the UK*.

A.2 Advice on suitable planting specifications can be obtained from the Certificate holder, but such advice is outside the scope of this Certificate.

A.3 Guidance on the design and construction of blue roofs is available in the NFRC *Technical Guidance Note for the construction and design of Blue Roofs*.

A.4 Additional guidance on inverted roof specifications is given in BBA Information Bulletin No 4 *Inverted roofs – Drainage and U value corrections*.

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