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Agrément Certificate
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Product Sheet 1

MASONRY PROTECTION COATING

DRYWALL THERMOTEK

This Agrément Certificate Product Sheet⁽¹⁾ relates to DryWall Thermotek, a breathable remedial masonry water-repellent barrier for use on domestic and non-domestic buildings on brick, mortar, sandstone and concrete substrates.

(1) Hereinafter referred to as 'Certificate'.

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

Water repellency — the product resists the uptake of water into masonry substrates (see section 6).

Condensation risk — the product does not increase the risk of condensation comparative to untreated substrates (see section 7).

Freeze/ thaw resistance — the product is resistant to the effects of freeze/thaw cycling (see section 8).

UV resistance — the product is resistant to the effects of UV light (see section 9).

Durability — the product will remain effective as a masonry water repellent for 25 years (see section 11).

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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Regulations

In the opinion of the BBA, the use of DryWall Thermotek in an existing building is not subject to the National Building Regulations.



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



The Building (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (as amended)



The Building Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2012

Construction (Design and Management) Regulations 2015

Construction (Design and Management) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2007

Information in this Certificate may assist the client, Principal Designer/CDM co-ordinator, designer and contractors to address their obligations under these Regulations.

See section: 3 *Delivery and site handling* (3.1 and 3.2) of this Certificate.

Technical Specification

1 Description

1.1 DryWall Thermotek is an emulsion cream, applied by brush, roller or spray to masonry surfaces to form a colourless and breathable water-repellent barrier.

1.2 Included in this assessment only when used with the product are DryWall Thermotek Repointing Additive No 1 and No 2, concentrates that are diluted with water and used as gauging solutions for sand/cement and sand/lime repointing mixtures to provide increased water repellency.

2 Manufacture

2.1 The products are manufactured by controlled batch-blending processes. Quality control is exercised over raw materials during manufacture and on the final product.

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.

3 Delivery and site handling

3.1 The products are supplied in the pack sizes given in Table 1:

Table 1 Pack sizes

Product	Pack size	ShelfLife and storage requirements
DryWall Thermotek ⁽¹⁾	3, 5 and 20 litre	12 months, stored in a cool, dry place and protected from frost
DryWall Thermotek Repointing Additive No.1	500 ml, 5 litre	12 months, stored in a cool, dry place and protected from frost
DryWall Thermotek Repointing Additive No.2	500 ml, 5 litre	12 months, stored in a cool, dry place and protected from frost

(1) When requested, 200 litre containers can also be supplied.

3.2 DryWall Thermotek is classified as 'irritant' under *The Chemicals (Hazard Information and Packaging for Supply) Regulations 2009* (CHIP4)/*Classification, Labelling and Packaging of Substances and Mixtures (CLP Regulation) 2009*.

Assessment and Technical Investigations

The following is a summary of the assessment and technical investigations carried out on DryWall Thermotek.

Design Considerations

4 Use

DryWall Thermotek is satisfactory for application to unpainted walls consisting of brick, mortar (with or without DryWall Thermotek Repointing Additive No 1 or No 2), sandstone and concrete.

5 Practicability of installation

The product is designed to be installed by a competent general builder, or a contractor, experienced with this type of product.

6 Water penetration

The product is satisfactory in resisting the penetration of rain into brick, mortar (with or without DryWall Thermotek Repointing Additive No 1 or No 2), sandstone and concrete (see Table 2).

Table 2 Resistance to rain penetration

Substrate	% reduction in water absorption coefficient
Brick	99
Beestone	83
Concrete	98
Mortar	98
Mortar with Repointing Additive 1	97
Mortar with Repointing Additive 2	92

7 Condensation risk

Tests on a brick substrate indicate the product does not significantly affect the resistance to water vapour diffusion of the substrate and therefore will not increase the risk of condensation.

8 Freeze/thaw resistance

The product is resistant to the effects of freeze/thaw cycling.

9 UV resistance

The product is resistant to the effects of UV radiation.

10 Maintenance

The product is absorbed by the masonry substrate and does not require maintenance.

11 Durability

There may be some loss of surface beading properties over time, but the product will remain effective as a water repellent for a period of 25 years.

Installation

12 General

12.1 DryWall Thermotek must only be applied to dry, porous surfaces. The product must not be applied over sealed or painted surfaces and is intended for above ground applications only.

12.2 The product must only be applied when no rain is forecast for 24 hours following the application.

12.3 The product appears white on first application, which fades over 15–20 minutes as the product starts to penetrate the masonry.

12.4 It may take up to two months for the full 'beading' effect to appear when rainfall hits the treated wall.

13 Preparation

13.1 Cracks in any brick or stonework must be filled, using a suitable sand/lime or sand/cement mortar incorporating DryWall Thermotek Repointing Additive No 1 or No 2.

13.2 Any loose mortar, dust or debris must be removed using a masonry brush. Dirty surfaces should be cleaned before the application of the product, to the recommendations given in BS 8221-1 : 2000.

13.3 Biological growth such as moss, algae or lichen must be removed using a suitable biocide in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

14 Procedure

14.1 DryWall Thermotek is brush-applied at a coverage rate of approximately 1 litre per 5 m² (dependent on the roughness and absorbency of the surface) to details such as window reveals.

14.2 For larger areas, the product is applied using a roller or electric roller, or by airless spray. Advice from the Certificate holder may be sought if required.

14.3 Any difficult-to-apply areas such as voids in brickwork or deep mortar beds must be treated using a brush.

Technical Investigations

15 Tests

Tests were conducted on DryWall Thermotek and the results assessed to determine:

- depth of penetration on a selection of masonry substrates
- capillary absorption (coated and uncoated)
- effect of UV ageing
- effect of freeze/thaw cycling
- drying time.

16 Investigations

16.1 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.

16.2 An assessment was made of the practicability of installation.

Bibliography

BS 8221-1 : 2000 *Code of practice for cleaning and surface repair of buildings — Cleaning of natural stones, brick, terracotta and concrete*

BS EN ISO 9001 : 2008 *Quality management systems — Requirements*

17 Conditions

17.1 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
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- 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.

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

17.5 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:

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- 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.

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