

Visqueen Polyethylene Damp Proof Course

Features and benefits

- Manufactured to British Standard - achieves minimum DPC requirements
- Post use recycled content in excess of 90% - diverts waste from landfill
- Diamond embossed surface - improves mortar adhesion
- Minimum DPC standard - cost effective option

Product description

Visqueen Polyethylene Damp Proof Course is a black, flexible 0.5mm damp proof course suitable for masonry wall constructions. It is supplied in 30m length rolls and the following widths: 100mm, 112.5mm, 150mm, 225mm, 300mm, 337.5mm, 450mm, 600mm, 900mm and 1200mm.

Approvals and standards

- Manufactured to BS 6515:1984
- UKCA CE Mark EN 14909:2012 Type A
- Quality Management System ISO 9001:2015
- Occupational Health and Safety System ISO 45001:2018
- Environmental Management System ISO 14001:2015

Usage

Visqueen Polyethylene Damp Proof Course is suitable for various masonry applications in accordance with Appendix D of BS 6515:1984.

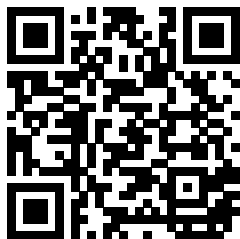
BS 6515: 1984 Appendix D recommends that the DPC is not suitable for use above lintels in cavity walls i.e. not suitable for use as a cavity tray.

Where relevant, please refer to warranty providers standards to ensure suitability for the application considered e.g. some warranty providers state that damp proof courses manufactured to BS 6515: 1984 are not suitable for use as cavity trays but are suitable for use as a DPC to prevent moisture rising from the ground.

System components

- Visqueen Zedex Jointing Tape, 100mm x 15m

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Storage and handling

Visqueen Polyethylene Damp Proof Course should be stored vertically and under cover in its original packaging.

Care should be taken when handling the product in line with current manual handling regulations.

Preparation

Visqueen Polyethylene Damp Proof Course can be cut with a sharp retractable safety knife or robust scissors.

Installation

DPCs and DPC cavity trays systems to be designed and installed in accordance with the relevant sections of BS 8215:1991, PD 6697:2019 and BS 8000-3:2020.

When built into a masonry wall construction Visqueen Polyethylene Damp Proof Course should be installed on an even bed of wet mortar, and any perforations in adjacent courses of masonry should be completely filled with mortar. To ensure mortar adhesion, as soon as possible after laying the DPC, lay at least one further course of masonry including a bed of mortar.

If positioned on the sleeper walls below a suspended ground floor e.g. beam and block floor system, the DPC can be dry laid, however all sharp protrusions must be removed from the substrate. The DPC must extend through the full thickness of the masonry wall, including pointing, applied rendering or other facing materials.

When using a hammer tacker to secure the DPC to an OSB3 substrate of a timber frame construction, minimum 8mm shank austenitic stainless steel staples should be used at minimum 150mm centres.

All DPC to DPC laps should be a minimum of 100mm and bonded with Visqueen Zedex Jointing Tape.

Usable temperature range

It is recommended that Visqueen Polyethylene Damp Proof Course and all associated system components should not be installed below 5°C.

Additional information

Where a housing grade DPC or supported cavity tray system is required, use Visqueen Zedex Housing Grade Damp Proof Course.

Where a high performance DPC or cavity tray system is required e.g. for commercial or multi storey constructions, use Visqueen Zedex CPT High Performance Damp Proof Course.

Where a gas DPC or cavity tray system conforming to the specification requirements of BS 8485:2015 + A1:2019 is required, use Visqueen Ultimate Gas Damp Proof Course.

For further information, contact Visqueen Technical Services +44 (0) 333 202 6800.

The product is recyclable and categorised under LDPE recycling code 4.

Visqueen is part of Berry bpi, the largest European recycler of polyethylene. This product is recyclable and should be segregated on site in accordance with site management procedures for plastic waste. We have 4 recycling sites in the UK where the plastic waste could be recycled and converted back into a second life product. Please contact us to find out more.

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Property	Test method	Units	Compliance criteria	Result
Visible defect	EN 1850 -2	-	Pass/Fail	Pass
Length	EN 1848-2	m	-5%/+5%	30
Width	EN 1848-2	mm	-5%/+5%	100 to 1200
Straightness	EN 1848-2	-	Pass/Fail	Pass
Thickness (peak to peak)	EN 1849-2	mm	-12.5%/+12.5%	0.6
Mass	EN 1849-2	g/m ²	-12.5%/+12.5%	485
Tensile strength - MD	EN 12311-2	MPa	MLV	15
Tensile strength - TD	EN 12311-2	MPa	MLV	13
Tensile elongation - MD		%	MLV	500
Tensile elongation - TD		%	MLV	500
Watertightness	EN 1928	-	Pass/Fail	Pass
Resistance to impact	EN 12691	mm	MLV	200
Durability (artificial ageing)	EN 1296 and EN 1928	-	Pass/Fail	Pass
Durability (alkali)	En 12113-2	-	Pass/Fail	Pass
Resistance to low temperature	EN 495-5	°C	MDV	-40
Resistance to tearing (nail shank) MD	EN 12310-1	N	MDV	270
Resistance to tearing (nail shank) TD	EN 12310-1	N	MDV	270
Water vapour transmission - permeability	EN 1931	g/m ² /d	MDV	0.13
Resistance to static loading	EN 12730	kg	>MLV	20
Reaction to fire	EN 13501-1	Class	MDV	F

Health and safety information

Refer to the Visqueen Polyethylene Damp Proof Course safety datasheet (SDS).

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About Visqueen

The Visqueen name has long been recognised as one of the leading manufacturers of high quality advanced membrane technologies and design based solutions by specifiers, distributors, builders merchants and contractors throughout the UK and Europe.

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Visqueen combine an extensive product portfolio with industry leading levels of service and support which includes guidance over the phone, bespoke CAD drawings to help with complex detailing, electronic NBS specifications and access to a dedicated team of highly knowledgeable and experienced field based Technical Support Managers.

Visqueen Technical Support is available to all our customers including architects, specifiers, distributors, builders merchants, contractors and end users. All of our technical team have been awarded the industry recognised qualification Certificated Surveyor in Structural Waterproofing (CSSW).

Visqueen CPD Seminars

The Visqueen Continuing Professional Development (CPD) Seminars provide up-to-date information on changes within Building Regulations/Building Standards and nationally recognised industry guidance affecting damp proofing, water vapour control, hazardous ground gas protection and below ground structural waterproofing.

The one hour seminars have been produced for design specialists within the construction sector and are delivered by our team of Technical Support Managers.

Visqueen PI designs and special projects

From initial design to the completed project, Visqueen are with you every step of the way. Whether it be hazardous ground gas protection and/or below ground waterproofing protection employing barrier, structurally integral or drained systems, Visqueen can offer professional indemnity (PI) insurance for bespoke Visqueen design solutions.

Visqueen Technical Support Managers work with all stakeholders to provide cost effective Visqueen solutions offering complete peace of mind throughout the construction phase and beyond.

Visqueen Training Academy

Based at our manufacturing facility in Derbyshire, the Visqueen Training Academy is available to support Visqueen customers throughout the UK by providing a wide range of both theory and practical skills related training.

Courses include one day product awareness training for our distributors and builders merchants to help them in their day-to-day jobs, through to intensive three day courses giving detailed hands-on training in the practical skills required for safe and robust product installation.