



# High performance SBS bituminous adhesive and sealant, ideal for all roof waterproofing works

Bitumseal is an elastomeric bitumen adhesive suitable for bitumen waterproofing membranes and for watertight sealing of joints. It adheres to a wide range of construction materials and surfaces likely to be present in a waterproofing project – concrete, cement, stone, brick, lead, aluminium, steel, sheet metal, copper, timber, bitumen, asphalt, existing paint or bonded plastic details, plasticizer free plastics, rigid or flexible PVC. It is thixotropic, does not run and can be applied with the tube positioned horizontally or vertically. It can be used under water and on moist surfaces which makes it an extremely versatile product on site.

Bitumseal dries to a form a shiny, black layer. It remains flexible and has excellent UV and ageing resistance characteristics.

# Key advantages

- Can be used under water and for emergency repairs in rainy conditions.
- Bonds bitumen membranes to concrete, zinc, timber, aluminium, steel.
- Adheres to many construction materials\*.
- Can be used in temperatures from 5°C to 35°C.

Bitumseal is particularly suitable for sealing structural cracks prior to the installation of waterproofing and for sealing cracks in bituminous materials, asphalt, etc.

Other uses:

#### **Adhesive**

- Local bonding of bitumen membranes or of pieces added to areas that are difficult to access.
- Detailing on flame-sensitive materials.
- Thermal insulation.
- Various applications on bitumen membranes (tiles on asphalt or membranes for example).

# Waterproofing Sealant

- Joints.
- Joints between waterproofing membranes and accessories found on flat and low sloping roofs such as masonry, rooflights, various penetrations, fixing plates, chimneys, ventilation, etc.
  Note: it should only be used over joints with no mechanical constraints.
- Finishing welded laps or upstands.

Bitumseal can be used for the temporary repair of channels and gutters and to re-stick loose material.

It is also used to complete flashings of all types and their reinforcement.

\* there are exceptions – contact Axter Ltd for details.

#### Packaging

310 ml tubes (box of 25).

## Storage

Can be stored for a period of up to 12 months in a cool, dry location (5 – 25°C) if unopened in the original packaging.

## **Product characteristics**

| CHARACTERISTICS   |                               |
|-------------------|-------------------------------|
| Colour            | Black                         |
| Consistency       | Thick paste                   |
| Density           | 1.3gm/cm <sup>3</sup> at 20°C |
| Solid matter      | 89%                           |
| Flashpoint        | 36°C                          |
| Usage temperature | 5°C to 35°C                   |
| Life temperature  | -30°C to 90°C                 |

#### Installation

Suitable for use at temperatures between 5°C and 35°C.

Bitumseal is applied directly on to a cold, clean surface free from dirt and grease.

Strings of Bitumseal are applied with a manual or pneumatic applicator and smoothed over with a spatula.

Bitumseal can be applied over moist surfaces, under water and in rain. In these situations, remove as much water as possible with the plastic nozzle of the applicator which must be in direct contact with the surface to be treated before applying the mastic (a trial is recommended prior to application).

Use of a backer rod is recommended in the joint when possible to allow Bitumseal to form the best seal.

| COVERAGE                 |                       |
|--------------------------|-----------------------|
| When used as an adhesive | 310ml per m²          |
| When used as a sealant   | 310ml for 10m (0.5cm) |

Bitumseal dries without shrinking and forms a smooth, flexible skin. Full adhesion is reached when fully dry and the bond depends on the nature of the surface and the sealing method. Immediately after application the glue will have sufficient adhesive power to handle small loads.

| DRYING TIMES    |  |
|-----------------|--|
| Dry to touch    | 2 hours  |
| Thorough drying | 12 hours to a few days depending on the ambient temperature and substrate type |

\*Please note: Above information is provided as a guideline. Coverage rate stated is approximate, the porosity and type of supports/materials/ surface atmospheric conditions will affect coverage rates and potentially fall outside of the guideline given within the TDS. It is necessary for a test to be conducted prior to application to establish accurate coverage rates, cure times and other factors on a project specific bases to ensure suitability for the wide variety of requirements and condition on site. Axter Ltd makes no warranties, express or implied, as to the properties and performance under any variations from such conditions in actual construction.

#### Important

Bitumseal must not be in contact with mineral oils (causes product to soften).

Bitumseal cannot be painted.

Clean tools with white spirit.

Read the instructions on the packaging carefully. A Safety Data Sheet (SDS) is available from Axter Ltd.

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