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Bitumen Waterproofing Single Ply Waterproofing



Axter Ltd offers a range of fasteners designed for fixing to various different substrates in flat roofing applications. For each substrate the penetration or embedment of the fastener to the deck will vary. The table overleaf shows standard embedment and penetration for the fasteners and the diagram indicates how the tube washer/fastener combinations are calculated.

MTP fixing	Carbon steel self-drilling fasteners for flat roofing. For mechanically fixing bitumen / single ply flat roof waterproofing membranes to steel and timber decks in combination with other appropriate components. For mechanically fixing flat roof accessories and trims to thin steel and timber materials. For mechanically fixing timber battens and timber-like materials to thin steel. Key benefits Optimised thread design for excellent pull-out performance and resistance to unwinding. Versatile design for metal and timber decks. Drillpoint designed for fast, accurate penetration of metal decks up to 2 x 1mm. Installation Install using a variable speed electric screwdriver at speed 1500rpm. Fasteners should be driven within 3 degrees of perpendicular to the surface of the fastened material. Avoid over-driving and do not over-tighten.				
	Deck	Thickness limits	Minimum penetration		
(P	Thin steel	0.7mm – 2 x 1.0mm thickness	12mm through underside		
	Plywood / OSB	18mm minimum thickness	12mm through underside		
	Timber board decks	25mm minimum thickness	12mm through underside		
	Softwood	50mm minimum thickness	35mm embedment		
Stainless Steel MTP fixing	A4 (316 Grade) Stainless steel self-drilling fasteners for flat roofing. For mechanically fixing bitumen / single ply flat roof waterproofing membranes to aluminium, steel and timber decks in combination with other appropriate components. For mechanically fixing flat roof accessories and trims to thin metal and timber materials. For mechanically fixing timber battens and timber-like materials to thin metal decks. Key benefits High resistance to corrosion, suitable for use in marine environments. Optimised thread design for excellent pull-out performance and resistance to unwinding. Drillpoint designed for fast, accurate penetration of metal decks up to 2 x 1mm. Installation Install using a variable speed electric screwdriver at speed 1500rpm. Fasteners should be driven within 3 degrees of perpendicular to the surface of the fastened material. Avoid over-driving and do not over-tighten. Deck Thickness limits Minimum penetration Thin steel 0.7mm – 2 x 1.0mm thickness Plywood / OSB 18mm minimum thickness 17mm through underside Timber board decks 25mm minimum thickness 35mm embedment				

Concrete fixing	Carbon steel concrete fasteners for flat roofing. For mechanically fixing bitumen / single ply flat roof waterproofing membranes to concrete and timber decks in combination with other appropriate components. For mechanically fixing flat roof accessories and trims to concrete and timber materials. Key benefits Excellent pull-out performance and resistance to unwinding. Specially designed thread formation for use with concrete and timber substrates. Installation Install using a variable speed electric screwdriver at speed 1500rpm. Fasteners should be driven within 3 degrees of perpendicular to the surface of the fastened material.			
ANNA -	Deck	Thickness limits	Minimum penetration	
	Cast in-situ concrete	100mm minimum thickness 100mm minimum edge distanced	25mm embedment	
v	Pre-formed concrete	40mm minimum thickness 70mm minimum edge distance	25mm embedment	
	Plywood	18mm minimum thickness	12mm through underside	
	Softwood	50mm minimum thickness	35mm embedment	
	Recommended pilot hole for concrete usually 5.0mm diameter. Pilot hole depth should be a minimum of 25mm greater than embedment depth to allow for sediment. For timber and concrete deck applications a site pull-out test is recommended.			

Handling

Fasteners may have sharp edges and the use of power tools can be dangerous. Use PPE. Do not allow uninstalled fasteners to become wet and do not store them in damp conditions. Inspect each fastener before use and do not use damaged ones. Replace any fasteners which appear to have been incorrectly installed.

Recommended Fastener Embedment / Penetration

Application*	Penetration / Embedment			
Steel deck	15mm through underside			
Plywood deck	18mm thickness	12mm through underside		
Timber decking	25mm minimum thickness	12mm through underside		
Timber joists	35mm embedment			
Softwood	35mm embedment			
Structural concrete	25mm embedment			

*For timber, concrete, aluminium decking applications a site pull-out test is recommended.

Selecting the correct tube washer

The tube washer must be chosen first, then the fastener can be selected.

To optimize the benefits of the tube system, the ideal combination is to use the maximum length of tube and the minimum fastener length available. However, in certain applications, such as over-roofing existing membrane and insulation layers, different tube lengths may be required. Contact Axter Ltd for details.

To select the maximum tube length (B), deduct 15mm from the total build-up of the roof system to allow for (A) compression of the insulation. Choose the tube of that length or shorter.

For example, with a 120mm build-up and a requirement for an I/washer the maximum tube length would be 100mm, so the 100mm long washer (code I/100) would be chosen.

Build-up

The build-up is the total thickness of everything a fastener is being used to fix. It is measured from the top of the material to which the fastener is fixing (e.g. steel, concrete, timber or aluminium deck), to the underside of the head.



Axter fasteners are made of carbon steel and have been designed to fix to different substrates.

Against each fastener we have given the build-up figures for each fixing application that the fastener can be used for. These build-up figures take into account the following recommended fastener penetrations when fixing to deck substrates (see previous page).

Selecting the correct fastener

When selecting fasteners, allow for the recommended minimum deck penetration (given above) and take into consideration the total build-up of the system (including pressure plates, membrane, insulation, air and vapour control layer (AVCL) or separation layers). To select the optimum fastener for tube washer applications, take the total build-up measurement, deduct the selected tube length and allow for deck penetration; then add 25mm for the fastener within the tube.

The table below and the drawing on this page can be used to establish which washer/fastener combination can be used.



	Tube length (mm)	Metal deck*		Timber*, 18mm Ply or OSB		Concrete*	
Build-up (mm)		(allows min 15mm through underside)		(allows min 12mm through underside)		(allows min 25mm embedment)	
		MTP fixing	SSMTP fixing	MTP fixing	SSMTP fixing	C fixing	
40	25	55	60	75	80	75	
50	25	65	80	85	80	75	
60	25	75	80	95	100	85	
70	50	65	60	75	80	75	
80	50	75	80	85	100	85	
90	75	55	60	75	80	95	
100	75	65	80	85	80	75	
110	75	75	80	95	100	85	
120	100	65	60	75	80	75	
130	100	75	80	85	100	85	
140	125	55	60	75	80	75	
150	125	65	80	75	80	75	
160	125	75	80	95	100	85	
170	150	65	60	75	80	75	
180	150	75	80	85	100	85	
190	175	55	60	75	80	75	
200	175	65	80	85	80	75	
210	175	75	80	95	100	85	
220	200	65	60	75	80	75	
230	200	75	80	85	100	85	
240	225	55	60	75	80	75	
250	225	65	80	85	80	75	
260	225	75	80	95	100	85	
270	250	65	60	75	80	75	
280	250	75	80	85	100	85	

Build-up (mm)	Tube length (mm)	Metal deck*		Timber*, 18mm Ply or OSB		Concrete*
		(allows min 15mm through underside)		(allows min 12mm through underside)		(allows min 25mm embedment)
		MTP fixing	SSMTP fixing	MTP fixing	SSMTP fixing	C fixing
290	250	85	80	95	100	100
300	250	95	100	105	120	100

* For timber, concrete, aluminium decking applications, a site pull out test is recommended

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