

# Air-Bloc® 31MR

Fluid Applied, Vapour Permeable Air & Water Barrier Membrane

# **Typical Physical Properties**

-Colour	Grey	-Watertightness CAN/CGSB-37.58-M86	Pass
-Solids by Weight	60%		_
-Weight	1.3 kg/l (10.8 lbs/gal)	-Water Vapour Permeance ASTM E-96, proc. B @ 3mm (1/8") wet film	1,201 ng/Pa.m <sup>2</sup> .s (21 perms)
-Drying Time @ 50% R.H. +20°C (+68°F), Dry Substrate	2 Hours to touch dry 24 Hours to firm dry	-Air Permeability Testing ASTM E283, applied at 2.2 l/m²	
-Service Temperature	-40°C to +70°C (-40°F to +158°F)	to CMU wall 75 Pa @ 21°C 250 Pa @ 21°C	0.00051 L/s.m <sup>2</sup> 0.00071 L/s.m <sup>2</sup>
-Application Temperature	+4°C to +50°C (+40°F to +122°F)	300 Pa @ 21°C  ASTM E2357, Assembly Air	0.00075 L/s.m <sup>2</sup> Pass
-Tensile Strength ASTM D412	950 kPa (137 psi)	Leakage Testing  ASTM E2178 @ 75 Pa	0.001 L/s.m <sup>2</sup>
-Elongation, % ASTM D412	1000%		(0.0002 cfm/ft <sup>2</sup> )
-Peel Strength, to Dry Concrete, ASTM C836	1.8 kN/m (1327 lbf/ft)	-Resistance to Gust Wind Load	Meets Mass/Canadian code requirements for air leakage @ 3000Pa gust load suction pressure
-Low Temperature Flexibility and Crack Bridging @ -20°C, ASTM C836	Pass	-Chemical Resistance	Resists salt solutions, mild acids and alkalis. Non-resistant to oils, grease or
-Aging-Long Term Flexibility CGSB 71-GP-24M	No fracturing	Fire Testing	solvents.
-Nail Sealability ASTM D1970	Pass	-Fire Testing	Complies with NFPA 285 in various wall assemblies
-Resistance to Mold, Mildew & Fungal growth ASTM D5590	-0- No Growth	-Flame Spread ASTM E84	15
-VOC Content	100 grams/liter, max.	-Smoke Developed ASTM E84	60

# **Reference Tests & Standards**

ASTM E2357	ASTM D5590	ABAA Accreditation	CGSB-37.58-M86
Air Barrier Assembly Test	Mold/Mildew/Fungus Resistant	ABAA Accreditation	CG3B-37.30-W00

# **Description**

Air-Bloc® 31MR is a fluid applied, elastomeric membrane designed to provide a permeable air & water barrier when applied to above-grade wall assemblies. It is single-component, water-based and cures to a tough monolithic rubber-like membrane, which resists air leakage and water penetration. Air-Bloc® 31MR combines the proven performance of Air-Bloc® 31MR with the addition of Henry antimicrobial technology to create an integral mold resistant membrane.

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#### **Features**

- Seamless, vapour permeable elastomeric membrane for above grade walls
- Easy, low cost spray application using simple equipment
- Integral mold resistant formulation
- High water vapour permeance provides "breather" characteristics
- Excellent adhesion to most construction surfaces such as exterior gypsum boards, CMU, concrete, stone, wood and metal
- Excellent adhesion to most wall construction surfaces -can be applied to damp concrete
- · Meets highest industry performance standards

#### **Product Sizes**

5 gal (18.9L) pails, 55 (208L) gal drums

#### Uses

**Air-Bloc**<sup>®</sup> **31MR** is used in construction of high performance wall assemblies requiring vapour permeability in an air & water barrier membrane. Integrated with Blueskin flashing and accessories to form a complete wall system meeting highest industry performance standards. Commonly used on variety of wall substrates and sheathing prior to installation of exterior cladding. Not for permanent weather or UV exposure.

# Limitations

Must be protected from damage during construction. KEEP FROM FREEZING. Do not apply to wet surfaces. Not designed for permanent exposure to weather - protect as soon as possible, however can be exposed up to 3 months if necessary to accommodate construction scheduling.

**Air-Bloc**<sup>®</sup> **31MR** shall not be applied when ambient (air) and substrate temperatures are below 5°C (40°F). The product should not be applied if it is raining, or if the possibility of rain is likely within 16 hours. The product should not be applied if it is expected that the ambient temperature will fall below 0°C within 24 hours. Following installation of **Air-Bloc**<sup>®</sup> **31MR** in new building construction, CMU walls where product has been applied must be protected at the roof line to prevent water infiltration into the wall cavity.

In hot weather or direct-sun applications over porous substrates, such as concrete, rapid surface drying can form blisters. A thin 'prime coat' application to substrate, which is allowed to dry, often prevents blister formation in subsequent application. Alternatively a two coat application vs. single heavy coat – with back rolling of base coat – also aids in prevention of blistering in hot weather.

#### **Surface Preparation**

All surfaces must be sound, dry, clean and free of frost, oil, grease, dirt, excess mortar or other contaminants. New concrete should be cured for a minimum of 16 hours before Air-Bloc® 31MR is applied. Concrete surfaces should be free of large voids and spalled areas. Joints between panels of exterior grade gypsum, plywood and rigid insulation up to 6mm (¼") wide shall be filled with a trowel application of Air-Bloc® 31MR and reinforced with a strip of 50mm (2") wide glass fiber tape such as Henry #183 Yellow Glass Fabric prior to application of liquid membrane. Joints between panels of exterior grade gypsum or plywood wider than 6mm (¼") should be sealed with Blueskin® membrane adhered to the primed substrate (use Blueskin® Primer or Henry #545 Aquatac™) and lapped a minimum of 75mm (3") on both sides of the crack. Joints wider than 6mm (¼") between panels of rigid insulation are not permitted. Mortar joints on CMU walls should be struck flush with block surface. Cracks in masonry and concrete up to 6mm (¼") wide shall be filled with a trowel application of Air-Bloc® 31MR and allowed to cure overnight prior to application of the liquid membrane to the surface, or alternatively, the cracks may be sealed with a strip of Blueskin® membrane applied to the primed substrate (use Blueskin® Primer or Henry #545 Aquatac™). Cracks wider than 6mm (¼") should be sealed with Blueskin® membrane adhered to the primed substrate and lapped a minimum of 75mm (3") on both sides of the crack. Transition joints between two dissimilar materials at beams, columns, window and door frames, etc., should be made to all window and door frames, or a properly designed sealant joint should be provided.

#### **Joint & Crack Treatment**

Dynamic or expansion joint treatment must be in compliance with projects' architectural details and specifications.

**Sheathing or Substrate Non-Moving Joint Treatment Options:** 

Note: apply per products' published Technical Data Sheets

Non-Moving Joint Width	Method #1 Sealant Method	Method #2 Fluid-Applied Method	Method #3 Self-adhered Sheet Method
Less than 6mm (1/4")	HE 925 BES Sealant     Fill and strike smooth     Allow to dry	1. Fill with Air-Bloc® 31MR by trowel, extending beyond joint line a minimum 75mm (3") onto face of substrate 2. Fully embed 50mm (2") minimum Yellow Jacket glass fiber reinforcing tape into wet Air-Bloc® 31MR – centered over joint.	1. Apply Blueskin Adhesive, Blueskin LVC Adhesive or Aquatac 2. Allow to dry 3. Apply self-adhered membrane and roll in place. Select One: Permeable option: BlueskinVP 160 Non-permeable option: Blueskin SA Blueskin SA Blueskin SA LT Blueskin SA HT Foilskin
6mm (1/4") to 12mm (1/2")	Same As Above	Do Not Use	Same As Above

## **Application**

Air-Bloc® 31MR may be applied by brush or roller, however application by conventional air assisted spray equipment in a single or dual-coat application is the preferred method. Apply in continuous, monolithic application without sags, runs or voids, transitioning onto flashing membrane to create a uniform drainage plane and air-barrier. Regularly monitor wet mil thickness during application to assure adequate coverage. The preferred method of application is to mark areas off and ensure that the appropriate volume has been sprayed over this area. During spraying, the material should be applied in horizontal strokes ensuring even application of the product, and then applied in vertical strokes, again ensuring even application. In areas where surface is not uniform, i.e., slightly rough with the presence of small indentations and recesses, an added over-spray should be performed. This over-spray should be sufficient to fill the voids, without excessive material application such that slumping or running of the material occurs.

Coverage Rates: Apply per published architectural specifications. Typical application rates include:

- **Smooth Surfaces** such as exterior gypsum sheathing or formed concrete: 1.7 l/m² (4.25 gal US / 100ft²) to give a wet film thickness of approximately 1.75mm (70 mils) depending on texture and porosity of surface
- Rough Surfaces such as CMU: 2.2 l/m² (5.4 gal US / 100ft²) to give a wet film thickness of approximately 2.25mm (90 mils) depending on texture and porosity of surface

Application Equipment: Suggested Spray Equipment: Graco President 10:1 pump, Graco Mastic Gun 204-000 with 1/4" round tip or similar equipment.

**Protection of Finished Work:** Air-Bloc<sup>®</sup> 31MR and Blueskin<sup>®</sup> are not designed for permanent exposure. Product is designed to withstand job site exposure for up to 3 months, however, good construction practice calls for covering as soon as possible. Wherever possible, begin covering membrane on south exposures, followed by remainder of surface. In cases where extended exposure periods are expected, use UV resistant **Henry Air-Bloc<sup>®</sup> 33MR** as an alternate.

#### **Precautions**

When transporting this product, be sure the container is secured and the lid is tight. Do not allow container to tumble as this may loosen the lid and allow leakage to occur. Avoid freezing during storage, application and before material has cured.

# Clean Up

Use waterless hand cleaner for skin. Spray equipment can be flushed out with water. Use citrus based cleaners to remove dried films

#### Caution

**DO NOT TAKE INTERNALLY!** Close container after each use. Avoid breathing of vapors as it may cause respiratory tract irritation. Use protective measures to avoid contact with eyes and skin. If swallowed, **CALL PHYSICIAN IMMEDIATELY!** In case of eye contact, open eyelids wide and flush immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. In case of accidental injection by power spray equipment, **GET MEDICAL ATTENTION!** Dispose of container and unused contents in accordance with Local, Provincial or Federal regulations. Do not heat container or store at temperatures greater than 50°C. **KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN. FOR EXTERIOR USE ONLY. KEEP FROM FREEZING.** 

Employers should obtain a copy of the Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS) from your supplier or directly from Henry at the toll free number or website below.

## **Limited Warranty**

We, the manufacturer, warrant only that this product is free of defects, since many factors which affect the results obtained from this product – such as weather, workmanship, equipment utilized and prior condition of the substrate – are all beyond our control. We will replace at no charge any product proved to be defective within 12 months of purchase, provided it has been applied in accordance with our written directions for uses we recommended as suitable for this product. Proof of purchase must be provided. DISCLAIMER OF WARRANTIES AND LIMITATION OF LIABILITY: THIS LIMITED WARRANTY IS IN LIEU OF ANY OTHER WARRANTIES EXPRESS OR IMPLIED INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO ANY IMPLIED WARRANTY OF MERCHANTABILITY OR FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE. MANUFACTURER SHALL HAVE NO LIABILITY OF ANY KIND BEYOND PRODUCT REPLACEMENT, INCLUDING FOR CONSEQUENTIAL OR INCIDENTAL DAMAGES RESULTING FROM ANY DEFECTS OR ANY DELAYS CAUSED BY REPLACEMENT OR OTHERWISE. THIS LIMITED WARRANTY PROVIDES THE PURCHASER'S EXCLUSIVE REMEDY FOR ANY DEFECT IN THE PRODUCT.

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