

FLEXIBLE DASH™ ADHESIVE



Overview

Versico's VOC-free, energy-absorbing, impact resistant Flexible DASH Adhesive is for use with VersiFleece membranes and to secure insulation boards to the deck for a totally non-penetrating system application. This industry-leading breakthrough in urethane adhesive technology offers built-in elongation and energy-absorbing properties that work in conjunction with the VersiFleece membrane to enhance puncture and hail resistance. Flexible DASH Adhesive is applied in full spray or extruded using high or low pressure dispensing equipment to deliver the two components onto the substrate. Parts A & B are mixed in the spray gun and applied to the roof. A catalytic reaction takes place, causing the Flexible DASH Adhesive to expand and foam. VersiFleece membrane is then laid into the foamed adhesive after developing "string/body" and rolled with a 150-lb. segmented roller to ensure the fibers of the fleece are embedded into the adhesive. Within 20 minutes, Flexible DASH Adhesive cures to form a tenacious bond between the substrate and the VersiFleece membrane.

Features and Benefits

Added Puncture Resistance

In side-by-side dynamic puncture tests, Flexible DASH Adhesive increased puncture resistance between 33–50% compared to traditional competitive 2-component low-rise adhesives. The energy absorbing nature of the Flexible DASH foam makes this an ideal product for use in Roof Garden, Plaza Paver and Solar Panel applications in conjunction with VersiFleece membrane FM approved.

Energy Efficient and Environmentally Sound

Each layer of Flexible DASH Adhesive expands to 1/16"–1/8"-thick and provides an additional R-value of 0.20 to 0.50 per layer. The NRCA estimates that up to 10% of R-value can be lost due to joints in the insulation. The expanding nature of DASH adhesive helps to seal insulation joints, when Flexible DASH Adhesive is specified for insulation attachment in place of mechanical fasteners, the 3–8% loss in R-value can be eliminated. Water is used as the blowing agent in Flexible DASH Adhesive, making it VOC compliant and not labeled as a flammable product.

Superior Wind Uplift

Superior wind uplift resistance is delivered with uplift pressures ranging from 90–945 psf depending on the substrate. Due to its superior wind uplift performance, the VersiFleece/Flexible DASH Adhesive System can qualify for upgraded wind speed warranties 80–120 mph with design enhancements. Contact **Versico Roofing Systems** for design enhancement requirements.

Expedient Installations without Interruption

Due to the low noise and low odor associated with the system, the VersiFleece/Flexible DASH assembly is an excellent choice for re-roofing occupied buildings, as there is minimal disruption. Because of these benefits, schools, universities and hospitals are some of the biggest users of the VersiFleece/Flexible DASH assembly. The speed of application with Flexible DASH Adhesive affords project completion in a timely manner. Flexible DASH offers a significant reduction in free MDI: from 32% to 23% compared to traditional urethane adhesives.

System Warranties

A full range of system warranties are available including 10-, 15-, 20- and 30- year terms, which are No Dollar Limit, transferable and not voided for ponded water. In summary, the combination of 50 years of single-ply experience, fleece backing reinforcement, and Versico's impact-resistant adhesive technology results in an extremely tough and durable roofing composite system with superior wind uplift performance that can be applied with minimal business disruption and no deck penetrations.

Labor Saving Features and Benefits

- Reduces membrane application time up to 93% when compared to traditional installations using bonding adhesives on non-VersiFleece systems
- Eliminates the need to pre-drill into concrete and gypsum decks
- 15- and 50-gallon drums reduce empty adhesive container stoppage time by 67% - 90% when compared to Bag-in-a-Box and 5 gallon jugs.



Application

1. The surface to which adhesive is to be applied shall be dry and free of fins, protrusions, sharp edges, loose and foreign materials, oil and grease. Depressions greater than 1/4" (6 mm) shall be filled with Flexible DASH Adhesive or other approved patching material. All sharp projections shall be removed. **Previously unweathered asphalt must be primed with CAV-GRIP™ 3V**
2. **Seal gaps between the wall/penetration and concrete deck with Versico 725TR, or other suitable material, to avoid condensation issues and positive pressure from air infiltration.**
3. For re-roofing sprayed-in-place (SPF) urethane roofs, all wet areas must be removed. The surface must then be scarified or perforated, depending on the coating, before applying Flexible DASH Adhesive.
4. Apply Flexible DASH Adhesive when the substrate and ambient temperatures are 25°F (-4°C) or above when spraying or extruding with heated or non-heated equipment. Dispense the adhesive between 300-800 psi, depending on the equipment used. Consult with your local VersiFleece Specialist for more details.
5. Set pre-heater and hose temperature to 120°F (49°C). Temperature settings will vary with conditions.

VersiFleece Installation

Slide-in Method :

1. Unroll VersiFleece sheet and position. Fold the sheet back in half lengthwise (end-to-end).
2. Spray-apply or extrude Flexible DASH Adhesive to the substrate.
 - a. For fully adhered application, spray adhesive to obtain full coverage (approx. 1/8" to 1/4" -thick after foaming). Ensure end laps are protected from adhesive.
 - b. For extruded applications, apply at 4", 6", or 12" on center with a min. 1/2" wet bead. Ensure end laps are protected from adhesive.

3. Once "string time" occurs, gradually feed VersiFleece sheet into Flexible DASH Adhesive, checking for "string/body" every few feet. Stop feeding VersiFleece sheet into adhesive when applicator reaches adhesive that has NOT developed "string/body". Immediately begin to roll membrane width-wise with a 150-lb. segmented weighted roller. Repeat process until VersiFleece sheet is fully installed.

Roll-in (Mod Bit) Method:

1. Keeping the VersiFleece sheet on the core, position roll of VersiFleece membrane at the designated starting point.
2. Spray-apply or extrude Flexible DASH Adhesive to the substrate.
 - a. For fully adhered application, spray adhesive to obtain full coverage (approx. 1/8" to 1/4"-thick after foaming). Ensure end laps are protected from adhesive.
 - b. For extruded applications, apply at 4", 6", or 12" on center with a min. 1/2" wet bead. Ensure end laps are protected from adhesive.
3. Once "string time" occurs, gradually roll VersiFleece membrane into Flexible DASH Adhesive, checking for "string/body" every few feet. Stop rolling VersiFleece into adhesive when applicator reaches adhesive that has NOT developed "string/body". Immediately begin to roll membrane width-wise with a 150-lb. segmented weighted roller. Repeat process until VersiFleece sheet is fully installed.

Insulation Attachment

1. Apply Flexible DASH Adhesive to the substrate achieving a light-blue-colored foam.
 - For fully adhered applications, spray adhesive to obtain full coverage (approx. 1/8" to 1/4" thick after foaming).
 - For extruded applications, apply adhesive at 4", 6" or 12" on center with a **minimum 1/2" wet bead**. For steel decks, extrusion of Flexible DASH must run parallel with and be on top of the steel deck flutes.

Bead Spacing parameters for 5-, 10-, or 15-year 55-mph warranties:

Building Height	Bead Spacing (Perimeter)	Bead Spacing (Field)
0' - 25'	6" o.c. (4' perimeter)	12" o.c.
25' - 50'	6" o.c. (8' perimeter)	12" o.c.
50' - 75'	6" o.c. (12' perimeter)	12" o.c.
75' - 100'	6" o.c. (16' perimeter)	12" o.c.
100' or greater: Contact Versico for bead spacing requirements		

(Contact Versico Project Review for bead spacing on higher mph warranties or 20- and 30-year warranty projects.)

2. Factory Mutual bead spacing guidelines in the perimeter and corner may differ from the table above. Beads at 12" o.c. are not acceptable at perimeters and corners.
3. Allow Flexible DASH Adhesive to rise and develop "string/body" (approx. 1½–2 min.). String time will vary based on environmental conditions like temperature and humidity. Do not allow the adhesive to over-cure prior to setting insulation boards.
4. Place insulation boards (maximum 4' x 4' insulation boards when adhesive is extruded at 12" o.c. or when boards exceed 4" thickness, or 4' x 8' insulation boards when adhesive is applied in full spray, 4", or 6" beads) into adhesive after allowing it to rise and develop "string/body". String time will vary based on environmental conditions like temperature and humidity. Do not allow the adhesive to over-cure prior to setting insulation boards.
5. Designate one person to walk boards into place and then roll the boards between 5–7 minutes from the initial adhesive application. Boards may be temporarily weighted or relief-cut where necessary to keep the boards in constant contact with the adhesive until the adhesive cures.
6. At the beginning of the insulation attachment process and periodically throughout the day, check the adhesion of boards to ensure a tight bond is created and maximum contact is achieved.
7. If Flexible DASH adhesive is splashed in eyes, immediately flush eyes with plenty of clean water for at least 15 minutes. Contact a physician immediately.
8. Jobsite storage temperatures in excess of 90°F (32°C) may affect product shelf life. When temperatures are in excess of 90°F (32°C), utilize white membrane or material to shield the drums from direct sunlight. When storing or using adhesive in temperatures below 60°F, the adhesive internal temperature must be returned to 70°F prior to use. Placing adhesive in a heated area (70–90°F) for 4 hours should allow liquid adhesive to reach 70–90°F.
9. Use spray booths, windscreens and/or lower spray pressure with spatter tips when spraying.
10. Precautions must be taken to prevent Flexible DASH Adhesive vapors or overspray from entering buildings during application. All air-intake vents on roofs must be closed during application of adhesive.
11. Use desiccant dryers on Part A drums to avoid formation of crystals from exposure to moisture in the air.
12. KEEP OUT OF THE REACH OF CHILDREN.

REVIEW CURRENT VERSICO SPECIFICATIONS AND DETAILS FOR SPECIFIC APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS.

Precautions

1. Review the Safety Data Sheet for complete safety information prior to use.
2. The foam produced is an organic material. It must be considered combustible and may constitute a fire hazard. The foam adhesive must not be left exposed or unprotected. Shield from heat and sparks.
3. Do not smoke during application.
4. Use with adequate ventilation. Avoid breathing vapors. Wear a NIOSH- or MSHA-approved respirator for organic vapors with prefilters and solvent-resistant cartridges or supplied airline respirators while spraying. Proper safety training is essential for all persons involved in the installation process. If vapor is inhaled, remove to fresh air and administer oxygen if breathing is difficult. Consult a physician immediately.
5. Avoid contact with eyes. Safety glasses or goggles are required.

Coverage Rates

(Application rates may vary depending on ambient temperatures, surface, and substrate absorption rate)

Approximate Coverage Rate (Sq. Ft.)				
50 Gallon Drums	Full Spray*	4" o.c.	6" o.c.	12" o.c.
		5,000 – 10,000	6,700 – 9,000	10,000 – 12,500
15 Gallon Drums	Full Spray*	4" o.c.	6" o.c.	12" o.c.
		1,800 – 3,000	2,110 – 2,700	3,000 – 3,750

LEED® INFORMATION

Pre-consumer Recycled Content	0%
Post-consumer Recycled Content	0%
Manufacturing Location	Geismar, LA Elwood, IL Chattanooga, TN
VOC Content	0 g/L
Solar Reflectance Index	N/A

SUBSTRATE COMPATIBILITY

Insulation/Underlayments		Roof Decks		Existing Roofing Materials	
VersiCore MP-H® Polyiso	Yes	Concrete	Yes	Smooth BUR	Yes ⁵
HP Recovery Board	Yes	Cellular Lt.Wt. Concrete	Yes	Gravel BUR	Yes ⁶
Expanded Polystyrene (EPS)	Yes ¹	NVS Lt.Wt. Concrete	Yes	Mineral Cap Sheet	Yes
Extruded Polystyrene	Yes ²	Gypsum	Yes	Granular Modified-Bitumen	Yes
New Sprayed Foam	Yes	Cementitious Wood Fiber	Yes	Smooth Modified-Bitumen	Yes
Scarified SPF	Yes	Plywood/OSB	Yes	Coal Tar Pitch	Yes ⁷
DensDeck®	Yes	Painted Steel	Yes	Aluminum-Coated BUR	Yes ⁸
Securock®	Yes	Galvanized Steel	Yes ³	Acrylic-Coated SPF	Yes
Oriented Strand Board	Yes	Acoustical Steel	Yes ⁴	Silicone-Coated SPF	Yes ⁹
SecurShield®	Yes	Wood Plank	Yes	Aged EPDM, Hypalon, TPO	Yes ^{10, 12}
				Unweathered Asphalt	Yes/No ¹¹

- VersiFleece TPO membranes may be installed directly over minimum 1.5-lb.-density EPS; however, to obtain UL & FM codes, an overlayment of HP Recovery Board, DensDeck, Securock or VersiCore MP-H Polyiso insulation is required.
- For insulation attachment only.
- For new galvanized steel decks, power-washing may be necessary to remove finishing oil residue if present.
- For acoustical steel decks, fill the flutes with fiberglass or other suitable fill insulation and tack in place with strips of duct tape 3' o.c., or other adhesive, prior to spraying the deck with Flexible DASH Adhesive.
- Existing Smooth BUR must be Type III or IV asphalt if the VersiFleece PVC and KEE HP or VersiFleece TPO membrane is to be installed directly without insulation.
- A minimum ½" HP Recovery Board or VersiCore MP-H Polyiso insulation is required over properly prepared gravel BUR. VersiFleece membrane cannot be installed directly over a gravel/slag surface.
- An insulation providing the necessary R-value must be specified to prevent the coal tar pitch from softening. VersiFleece membranes cannot be installed directly to coal tar pitch.
- Any loose coatings must be removed by power-washing or by physical abrasion prior to the application of Flexible DASH Adhesive. A test installation over the aluminum-coated smooth BUR is recommended to ensure the aluminum coating is fully adhered.
- Silicone-coated substrates must be scarified (coating removed) prior to the application of Flexible DASH Adhesive.
- Power-washing aged Hypalon or TPO membrane is required prior to the application of Flexible DASH Adhesive.
- Requires CAV-GRIP 3V for all applications.
- Contact Versico for specific requirements on TPO recover.

TYPICAL PROPERTIES AND CHARACTERISTICS

Base	A-Side Polymeric Isocyanate	B-Side Surfactants and Catalysts
Mixing Ratios by Volume	1:1 Part A to Part B	
Viscosity (CPS @ 25C)	400	400
MDI Content	23%	
Avg. Net Weight	9.88 lbs/gallon	9.23 lbs/gallon
Packaging	15-gallon drum (57 L) 50-gallon drum (190 L)	15-gallon drum (57 L) 50-gallon drum (190 L)
Shelf Life	1 year	
Temperature Requirements (Substrate & Ambient)	min. 25°F (Heated Equipment) min. 25°F (Unheated Equipment)	

* Typical R-value added for VersiFleece membrane attachment: 0.20 to 0.50 R-value. R-value may be higher as more adhesive is used on uneven surfaces.

Physical Property	Test Method	Results
Elongation	ASTM D412	150%
Modulus at 150% Elongation	ASTM D412	20 psi
Dynamic Puncture Resistance - OSB	ASTM D5635-04a	33% greater than standard DASH
Dynamic Puncture Resistance - HP Recovery Board		40% greater than standard DASH
Dynamic Puncture Resistance - Polyiso		50% greater than standard DASH