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Construction Solutions

# HYDRO BARRIER™ LA

HYDRO BARRIER™ LA is a single-component liquid-applied self-curing flexible rubberized polymer, which can be easily applied to form a flexible, joint-free, anti-fracture waterproofed membrane. HYDRO BARRIER™ LA is designed to be used in both interior and exterior, horizontal or vertical applications and is approved by IAPMO for use as a shower pan liner.



## FEATURES/BENEFITS

- Allows for flood testing in 24 hours\*
- Thin, only 0.4-0.6mm thick per coat when cured.
- Changes in color from a light blue to a darker blue when cured.
- Anti-fracture protection of up to 3mm over shrinkage and other non-structural cracks.
- "Extra Heavy Service" rated as per ASTM C627 "Robinson Floor Test".
- Exceeds ANSI A118.10 and A118.12
- IAPMO approved containing antimicrobial product protection.
- Lighter color for ease of inspection.
- Environmental Safe — no solvents and non-flammable.
- Install tile, brick and stone directly onto membrane.

\* When cured 24°C or higher at 50% RH lower temperature at higher RH will require longer curing time

## USES

- Interior and exterior applications
- Showers
- Industrial, commercial and residential bathrooms and laundries
- Spas and hot tubs\*
- Kitchens and food processing areas
- Terraces and balconies over unoccupied spaces
- Countertops and facades

\* Small ~ Medium size only, please consult with Laticrete Technical Department for further information.

## STANDARDS/CERTIFICATIONS

- ASTM D412
- ASTM D4541
- ASTM C1306
- ASTM C836
- DIN 1048
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- ASTM D2240
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## MANUFACTURER

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This product has been certified green by Singapore Green Building Council.

### Suitable Substrates

- Concrete
- Concrete & brick masonry
- Cement mortar beds
- Cement plaster
- Drywall board\*\*\*
- Ceramic tile & stone\*\*
- Cement terrazzo\*\*
- Selflevelling Underlayment\*

\* Interior use only

\*\* If skim coated with a LATICRETE Latex Thin-Set Mortar.

\*\*\*Consult cement backer board manufacturer and LATICRETE Technical Department for specific installation recommendations and to verify acceptability for exterior use.

### Packaging

Commercial Unit: 25kg pail liquid  
(36 commercial units/pallet)

### Approximate Coverage

25kg of HYDRO BARRIER™ LA yields approximately 24 m<sup>2</sup> for 2 coats

### Shelf Life

Factory-sealed containers of this product are guaranteed to be of the highest quality for two (2) years if stored under shelters at temperatures >0°C and <40°C.

### Limitations

- DO NOT bond to particle board, luan plywood, Masonite or hardwood surfaces.
- DO NOT use over dynamic expansion joints, structural cracks or cracks with vertical differential movement
- DO NOT use over cracks >3mm in width.
- DO NOT use as a vapor barrier (especially in steam rooms).
- DO NOT expose to negative hydrostatic pressure, excessive vapor transmission, rubber solvents or ketones.
- DO NOT expose unprotected membrane to sun or weather for more than 30 days
- DO NOT install directly over single layer wood floors, plywood tubs/ showers/ fountains or similar constructs.
- Must be covered with ceramic tile, stone, brick, concrete, screeds, terrazzo or other traffic-bearing finish. Use a protection board for temporary cover.
- Consult with technical service is to be used as a primary waterproofing membrane over occupied space.

Note: Surfaces must be structurally sound, stable and rigid enough to support ceramic/stone tile, thin brick and similar finishes. Substrate deflection under all live, dead and impact loads, including concentrated loads, must not exceed L/360 for thin bed ceramic tile/brick installations or L/480 for thin bed stone installations where L=span length.

### Cautions

Consult MSDS for more safety information.

- Allow membrane to cure fully (typically 24 hours @ 24°C and 50% RH before flood testing); flood test before applying tile or stone.

- Maximum amount of moisture in the concrete/mortar bed substrate should not exceed 283 µg/s • m<sup>2</sup> per ASTM F-1869 or 75% relative humidity as measured with moisture probes.
- For white and light-coloured marbles, use a white LATICRETE Latex Portland Cement Thin Set Mortar.
- For green and moisture-sensitive marble, agglomerates and resin-backed tile and stone use LATAPOXY 300 Adhesive.
- Allow wet mortars/ plasters (deck mud consistency) to cure for 72 hours at 24°C before installing HYDRO BARRIER™ LA.
- For temperatures between 7–24°C allow 24 hours curing before flood testing.
- Protect from exposure to traffic until fully cured.
- During wet weather, protect finished work until fully cured.
- May irritate eyes and skin. Avoid contact with eyes or prolonged contact with skin. In case of contact, flush thoroughly with water.
- Do not ingest.
- Keep out of reach of children.

### TECHNICAL DATA

#### Physical Properties

| Test                            | Test Method | Results                |
|---------------------------------|-------------|------------------------|
| Tensile Strength (7 days)       | ASTM D412   | ≥2.2 N/mm <sup>2</sup> |
| Adhesion Strength (7 days)      | ASTM D4541  | ≥1.5 N/mm <sup>2</sup> |
| Elongation at Break (7 days)    | ASTM D412   | ≥315%                  |
| Crack Bridging                  | ASTM C836   | No cracks at 2mm       |
| Resistance to water penetration | DIN 1048    | Nil                    |
| Hydrostatic Pressure            | ASTM C1306  | Passed                 |
| Shore A Hardness                | ASTM D2240  | ≥80                    |

\*Specifications subject to change without notification. Results shown are typical but reflect test procedures used. Actual field performance will depend on the type of tile/stone/brick used, installation methods and site conditions.

#### Working Properties

HYDRO BARRIER™ LA can be applied using a paintbrush, roller, trowel or airless sprayer. All areas must have two coats to ensure waterproofing capabilities. When the second coat is applied the substrate will not show through HYDRO BARRIER™ LA if coated at 0.5–0.8 mm dry thickness. Color changes from light blue to darker blue when fully cured.

### INSTALLATION

#### Surface Preparation

Surface temperature must be 8–35°C during application and for 24 hours after installation. All substrates must be structurally sound, clean and free of dirt, oil, grease, paint, laitance, efflorescence, concrete

sealers or curing compounds. Make rough or uneven concrete smooth to a wood float or better finish with a LATICRETE underlayment. Do not level with gypsum or asphalt-based products. Pre-wet hot or dry surfaces and sweep off excess water. New concrete slabs shall be damp cured and a minimum of 14 days old before application.

### Pre-Treat Cracks, Joints, Coves/ Corners & Backer Board Joints

Fill all substrate cracks, cold joints, coves/ corners & Backer Board Joints with a liberal coat of HYDRO BARRIER™ LA approximately 200mm wide using a paint brush or roller (heavy napped roller cover). Fold 15cm wide LATICRETE Waterproofing/ Reinforcing Fabric in half. Lay it into the coat of wet HYDRO BARRIER™ LA and smooth out any wrinkles. Flash LATICRETE Waterproofing/ Reinforcing Fabric 75mm up walls and other vertical surfaces. Press down on LATICRETE Waterproofing/ Reinforcing Fabric with a paintbrush or roller until liquid “bleeds” through from below. When the first coat has dried from a uniform light blue to a darker blue color, apply a second liberal coat of liquid membrane to seal reinforcing LATICRETE Waterproofing/ Reinforcing Fabric.

The installer must verify that deflection under all live, dead and impact loads of interior plywood floors does not exceed industry standards of L/360 for ceramic tile and brick or L/480 for stone installations where L=span length.

### Pre-Treat Penetrations

Allow for a minimum of 3 mm space between drains, pipes, lights or other penetrations and surrounding ceramic tile, stone or brick. Pack any gaps around pipes, lights or other penetrations with a LATICRETE Latex fortified thin-set mortar. Apply a liberal coat of HYDRO BARRIER™ LA liquid around the penetration opening. Embed 150 mm LATICRETE Waterproofing/ Reinforcing Fabric and then apply a second coat of HYDRO BARRIER™ LA. Bring HYDRO BARRIER™ LA up to the level of tile or stone. When dry, seal flashing with LATICRETE Latasil.

### Protection

Protect newly installed membrane, even if covered with a thin bed ceramic tile, stone or brick installation, against exposure to rain or other water for a minimum of 16 hours at 24°C and 50% RH.

### Mixing

Agitate before use.

### Application

Allow any pre-treated areas to dry to the touch. Apply a liberal coat of HYDRO BARRIER™ LA with brush or roller over substrate including pre-treated areas. Apply another liberal coat of HYDRO BARRIER™ LA over the first coat of HYDRO BARRIER™ LA. Let topcoat dry to the touch, approximately 1–3 hours\* at 24°C and 50% RH. When last coat has dried to the touch, inspect final surface for pinholes, voids, thin spots or other defects. HYDRO BARRIER™ LA will dry from a light blue to darker blue when fully cured. Use additional HYDRO BARRIER™ LA to seal defects.

\* The curing time will greatly vary depending on substrate, temperature and relative humidity

### Installing Finishes

Allow HYDRO BARRIER™ LA to dry for 24 hours before ceramic tile, stone or brick may be installed by the thin bed method with a LATICRETE Latex Thin-Set Mortar. Allow HYDRO BARRIER™ LA to cure for 72 hours at 24°C and 50% RH before covering with concrete, thick bed mortar, screeds, toppings, coatings, epoxy adhesives, terrazzo or moisture-sensitive resilient or wood flooring. Do not use solvent-based adhesives directly on HYDRO BARRIER™ LA.

### Expansion Joints

Ceramic tile, stone and brick installations must include expansion at coves, corners, and other changes in substrate plane and over any expansion joints in the substrate. Expansion joints in ceramic tile, stone or brickwork are also required at perimeters, at restraining surfaces, at penetrations and at the intervals described in the Tile Council of North America (TCNA) Handbook Installation Method EJ171. Use LATICRETE Latasil and backer rod.

### Spray Application of HYDRO BARRIER™ LA

Follow all installation and surface preparation requirements outlined in this document and DS 663.5 and TDS 410.

The sprayer is used for the application of HYDRO BARRIER™ LA should be capable of producing a maximum of 22.8MPa with a flow rate of 0.95 to 1.6 GPM (3.6 to 6.0 LPM) using a 0.521 or a 0.631 reversible tip. Keep the unit filled with HYDRO BARRIER™ LA to ensure continuous application of liquid. The hose length should not exceed 30m min length and 9 mm in diameter.

Apply a continuous HYDRO BARRIER™ LA film with an overlapping spray. The wet film has a sage green appearance and dries from a light blue to darker blue. When the first coat has dried to an uniform from a light blue to darker blue, approximately 45 to 90 minutes at 24°C, visually inspect the coating for any voids or pinholes. Fill any defects with additional material and apply the second coat at right angles to the first. The wet film thickness should be checked periodically using a wet film gauge. Each wet coat should be 0.4–0.6 mm thick. The combined dried coating should be 0.5–0.8 mm thick.

Check application thickness with a wet film gauge periodically as the HYDRO BARRIER™ LA is being dispensed to ensure that the appropriate thickness and coverage is achieved. Bounce back and overspray will consume more product. To achieve the required film thickness, the coating must be free from pinholes and air bubbles. Do not backroll the spray-applied coating. Allow the HYDRO BARRIER™ LA to cure in accordance with the instructions before the installation of the tile or stone finish.

It is important to note that areas not scheduled to receive the HYDRO BARRIER™ LA should be taped off and protected from any potential overspray. Expansion and movement joints should be honored and treated as outlined in this document.

### Cleaning

While wet, HYDRO BARRIER™ LA can be washed from tools with water.

### AVAILABILITY AND COST

#### Availability

LATICRETE and LATAPOXY materials are available worldwide. For distributor information, call:

**Telephone:** (65) 6515-3028

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For on-line distributor information, visit LATICRETE at [se.laticrete.com](http://se.laticrete.com)

#### Cost

Contact a LATICRETE Distributor in your area.

### WARRANTY

LATICRETE South East Asia Pte Ltd warrants that HYDRO BARRIER™ LA is free from manufacturing defects and will not break down, deteriorate or disintegrate under normal usage for a period of one (1) year from date of purchase subject to the terms and conditions stated in Data Sheet.

### MAINTENANCE

LATICRETE® and LATAPOXY® grouts require routine cleaning with a neutral pH cleaner (e.g STONETECH® Stone & Tile Cleaner) and water. All other LATICRETE and LATAPOXY materials require no maintenance but installation performance and durability may depend on properly maintaining products supplied by other manufacturers.

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