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## European Technical Approval ETA-11/0501

Trade name:	Alfix Banemembran Watertight covering kit
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Generic type and use of construction product:	Watertight covering kit for wet room floors and walls based on flexible sheets
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Manufacturing plant:	Alfix A/S H. C. Ørstedsvej 13 DK-6000 Kolding

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- EOTA Guideline for European Technical Approvals, ETAG No 022 *Watertight covering kits for wet room floors and/or walls*, Part 2: Kits based on flexible sheets, Edition November 2010

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- 1) Official Journal of the European Communities N° L40, 11 Feb 1989, p 12.
- 2) Official Journal of the European Communities N° L220, 30 Aug 1993, p 1.
- 3) Official Journal of the European Communities N° L 17, 20 Jan 1994, p 34.

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## II SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF THE EUROPEAN TECHNICAL APPROVAL

cement based tile adhesive (Alfix Letfix Universal, Alfix Letfix, Alfix Combifix, Alfix Profix extra, Alfix CombiQuickfix).

### 1 Definition of product and intended use

#### General

Alfix Banemembran is a flexible sheet Banemembran membrane kit which serves as a watertight covering for wet room floors and walls beneath a wearing surface.

The kit consists of the following components:

#### Primer

Alfix Primer, which is a polymer dispersion primer with a “tell-tale” colour additive, for use on moisture sensitive substrates. The primer is intended to have a significant additional function in limiting the water vapour permeability of the kit

#### Membrane

Alfix Banemembran is a 3-ply waterproof membrane consisting of two outer layers of polypropylene non-wovens and an inner layer of polyethylene. The thickness of the membrane is 0,57 mm and the weight is 350 g/m<sup>2</sup>.

#### Reinforcement

The reinforcement Alfix Seal Strip, Alfix Rørmanchet and Alfix VT Remsa, which are self adhesive synthetic rubber reinforcements used in connection between the floor and the wall, in corners and around penetrations. For floor gullies the Alfix Afløbsmanchet is used. The reinforcement is not intended to cover the entire floor and wall covering, but is used over joints and in corners and around pipe penetrations and floor gullies

#### Adhesives

Adhesives covered by this ETA is: Alfix Letfix Universal, Alfix Letfix, Alfix Combifix, Alfix Profix extra, Alfix CombiQuickfix

The kit is constructed as follows:

- a layer of minimum 0.10 litres/m<sup>2</sup> (120 g/m<sup>2</sup> Alfix Primer (depending on substrate)
- reinforcement of in- and out going corners in walls, over joints or cracks in the substrate, around pipe penetrations, floor gullies and along the connection between floor and wall with reinforcement Alfix Seal Strip, Alfix Rørmanchet, Alfix VT Remsa and Alfix Afløbsmanchet.
- Alfix Banemembran adhered to the substrate with approx. 0,5 kg/m<sup>2</sup> Alfix 1K or 2K liquid membrane
- a layer of ceramic tiles adhered to the kit with

#### Intended use

The intended use of the covering kit is:

1. watertight covering for use beneath a wearing surface, normally in the form of tiles, on substrates of wood based panels, gypsum boards, fibre cement boards, cement bonded boards, watertight boards made from a polystyrene core with a cement based glass fibre reinforced covering and concrete, i.e. moisture sensitive substrates, which are flexible and with jointing and susceptible to cracking

The kit can be used with the following types of floor gullies:

Circular and rectangular gullies made from stainless steel or plastic type PE, with flange for adhesion of the membrane or with clamping ring or with collar

2. Indoor applications, where the liquid applied kit is not exposed to temperatures (i.e. temperature of structure) below 5 °C and above 40 °C, in the following uses:

- Floor and wall surfaces with only occasional direct exposure to water, e.g. at a good distance from shower or bathtub.
- Floors and walls in shower areas or around bathtubs used for a few showers daily, e.g. in ordinary dwellings, multi-family houses and hotels
- Floor and wall surfaces with exposure to water more frequent or of longer duration than normally anticipated in dwellings, e.g. public wet rooms, schools and sport facilities.

#### Assumed working life

The assumed intended working life of the kit for the intended use is 25 years, provided that they are subject to appropriate installation, use and maintenance.

An “assumed intended working life” means that it is expected that, when this working life has elapsed, the real working life may be, in normal use conditions, considerably longer without major degradation affecting the essential requirements.

The indications given as to the working life of the boards cannot be interpreted as a guarantee given by Alfix A/S or ETA-Danmark A/S.

## 2 Characteristics of product and assessment

ETAG para.	Characteristic	Assessment of characteristic
	<b>2.1 Mechanical resistance and stability</b>	Not relevant.
	<b>2.2 Safety in case of fire</b>	
2.4.1	Reaction to fire	<b>Euroclass F</b>
	<b>2.3 Hygiene, health and the environment</b>	
2.4.2	Dangerous substances	No dangerous materials *)
2.4.3.	Vapour permeability	The $s_d$ value of the membrane at RH 100 → 75 % is 110,9 m, which is equivalent to $Z_v = 4.154.000$ s/m.  The $s_d$ value of the membrane at RH 93 → 50 % is 91,9 m, which is equivalent to $Z_v = 3.442.313$ s/m.
2.4.4	Moisture resistance	
	Water tightness	<b>Watertight</b> according to EN 1928 method B
	Crack bridging ability	<b>Assessment category 2:</b> Crack width 0,75 mm
	Bond strength	Alfix Banemembran with Alfix Primer and the following tile adhesives; Alfix Letfix Universal, Alfix Combifix, Alfix CombiQuickfix, Alfix Profix extra on a concrete substrate all comply with <b>Assessment category 2:</b> Bond strength > 0,3 MPa  Alfix Primer with the following tile adhesives; Alfix Universafix, Alfix Letfix, Alfix Combifix, Alfix Profix extra on substrates**) of calcium silicate boards, gypsum boards, fibre cement boards, cement based boards and watertight boards made from a polystyrene core with a cement based glass fibre reinforced covering comply with <b>Assessment category 2:</b> Bond strength > 0,3 MPa
	Scratching resistance	No performance determined
	Joint bridging ability	Alfix Banemembran and 0,5 kg/m <sup>2</sup> Alfix 2K or Alfix 1K membrane <b>Assesment category 2:</b> Watertight
	Water tightness around penetrations	Alfix Primer, Alfix Banemembran and 0,5 kg/m <sup>2</sup> Alfix 1K or Alfix 2K membrane and Alfix reinforcement (see II.1)***) comply with <b>Assesment category 2:</b> Watertight

Characteristic	Assessment of characteristic
Joint strength	The declared values are:  <b>Joint transverse to MD: 292 N</b> <b>Joint transverse to CMD: 152 N</b>
Flexibility	<b>No cracking or other surface deterioration visible</b>
<b>2.4 Safety in use</b>	
2.4.5	Slipperiness
	Not relevant
<b>2.5 Protection against noise</b>	Not relevant
<b>2.6 Energy economy and heat retention</b>	Not relevant
<b>2.7 Related aspects of durability and serviceability</b>	
2.4.6.1	Dimensional stability
	The declared values are:  <b>Longitudinal direction (MD): <math>\bar{\alpha}_{AL} = -1,0\%</math></b> <b>Transverse direction (CMD): <math>\bar{\alpha}_{AL} = -0,9\%</math></b>
2.4.6.2	Resistance to temperature
	<b>Pass.</b> The tensile strength and the strain at maximum force of a sample of Alfix Banemembran were determined before and after heat exposure. The deviation before and after ageing was considerably lower than 20% and therefore no further investigations are required to assess that the resistance to temperature.
2.4.6.3	Resistance to water
	Alfix Banemembran with the following tile adhesives; Alfix Letfix, on a concrete substrate all comply with <b>Assessment category 1:</b> Bond strength > 0,2 MPa
	Alfix Banemembran with Alfix Primer and the following tile adhesives; Alfix Letfix Universal, Alfix Combifix, Alfix CombiQuickfix, Alfix Profix extra on a concrete substrate all comply with <b>Assessment category 2:</b> Bond strength > 0,3 MPa
2.4.6.4	Resistance to alkalinity
	<b>Pass.</b> The tensile strength and the strain at maximum force of a sample of Alfix Banemembran were determined before and after alkaline exposure. The deviation before and after ageing was considerably lower than 20% and therefore no further investigations are required to assess that the resistance to alkalinity. <b>Assessment Category 2:</b> 50 °C for 16 weeks
2.4.6.6	Resistance to mechanical wear
	Not relevant
2.4.7.1	Cleanability
	Not relevant
2.4.7.2	Repairability
	No performance determined

Characteristic	Assessment of characteristic
2.4.7.3 Thickness	The thickness of the Alfix Banemembran is determined to be 0,51 mm
2.4.7.4 Applicability	Applicable

\*) In accordance with <http://europa.eu.int/-/comm/enterprise/construction/internal/dangsub/dangmain.htm> In addition to the specific clauses relating to dangerous substances contained in this European Technical Approval, there may be other requirements applicable to the products falling within its scope (e.g. transposed European legislation and national laws, regulations and administrative provisions). In order to meet the provisions of the EU Construction Products Directive, these requirements need also to be complied with, when and where they apply.

\*\*) The assessment of the fitness for use of the kit on the generic description of the boards is based on test on the following specified substrates in addition to concrete according to EN 1323; Ivarit Hydropanel, Ivarit UniCo, Ivarit UniCo Flex konveks, Internit VR, Aquapanel indoor, Powepanel H<sub>2</sub>O, Lux Element, Jackoboard, Wedi Building board and Glasroc GHIE Hydro Wet room board

\*\*\*) In accordance with the provisions of ETAG 022 part 2 – Annex A, the kit has been tested with three types of floor gullies all circular; one made from stainless steel with a flange for floors with a membrane and two in PP plastic, where one is with a clamping ring type KL/150: In addition the test was made with with three stainless steel gullies, from Unidrain, JOFA and Blücher respectively. All three floor gullies are installed in the connection between the floor and the wall, i.e. in the floor in close proximity to the wall.

### 3 Attestation of Conformity and CE marking

#### 3.1 Attestation of Conformity system

According to the decision 2003/655/EC of the European Commission system 2+ for the procedure of the attestation of conformity (Annex III, clause 2(ii) first possibility of Directive 89/106/EC) applies to the watertight covering kit.

There is no declared fire performance, and hence the Decision 2003/655/EC of the European Commission with regard to reaction to fire is not relevant.

The system of attestation of conformity is 2+ is defined as follows.

- a) Tasks for the manufacturer:
  - (1) Factory production control,
  - (2) Initial type testing of the product,
  - (3) testing of samples taken at the factory in accordance with a prescribed test plan
  
- b) Tasks for the notified body:
  - (1) Initial inspection of the factory and the factory production control,
  - (2) Continuous surveillance

#### 3.2 Responsibilities

##### 3.2.1 Tasks of the manufacturer

###### 3.2.1.1 Factory production control

The manufacturer shall exercise permanent internal control of production. All the elements, requirements and provisions adopted by the manufacturer shall be documented in a systematic manner in the form of written policies and procedures, including records of results performed. This production control system shall insure that the product is in conformity with this ETA.

The factory production control shall be in accordance with the appropriate part of the control plan<sup>1</sup> which is confidential part of the MTD. The control plan is laid down in the context of the factory production control system operated by the manufacturer and deposited with ETA-Danmark.

The manufacturer may only use initial materials according to the MTD. He shall inspect or control the

initial materials on acceptance according to the control plan.

The factory production control follows the identifying properties of the components and the example of the control plan as given in ETAG 022 part 2.

The results of the factory production control shall be recorded and evaluated in accordance with the provisions of the control plan.

The records shall include at least the following information:

- name of the product and of the initial materials,
- type of inspection or control,
- date of manufacture of the product, batch N° if needed, and date of inspection or control of the product or of the initial materials,
- result of inspections or controls and, as far as applicable, comparison with the requirements,
- signature of the person responsible for the factory production control.

The records shall be kept for at least five years. On request they shall be presented to ETA-Danmark.

Details concerning extent, type and frequency of the tests or inspections to be performed within the scope of the factory production control shall correspond to the control plan which is part of the MTD to this ETA.

##### 3.2.1.2 Initial type-testing of the product

The initial type-testing refers to the product properties stated in the appropriate part of the control plan to this ETA. It follows the example of the control plan as given in ETAG 022 part 2.

If the verifications underlying this ETA have been furnished on samples from the current production, these will replace the initial type-testing.

Otherwise the necessary initial type-testing shall be carried out according to the provisions of the control plan and observance of the required property values shall be ascertained by the manufacturer.

After changing the production process or starting the production in another manufacturing plant the initial type-testing shall be repeated.

##### 3.2.1.3 Other tasks for the manufacturer

The manufacturer shall, on the basis of a contract, involve a body/bodies which is/are notified for the tasks referred to in section 3.1(b) in the field of the product in order to undertake the actions laid down in section 3.2.2. For this purpose, the control plan referred to in section 3.2.2 shall be handed over by the manufacturer to the notified body/bodies involved.

The manufacturer shall make a declaration of

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<sup>1</sup> The "control plan" is a confidential part of the MTD to this ETA and deposited with ETA-Danmark. It contains the required information on the factory production control and on the initial type-testing. As far as this is relevant to the tasks of the notified body involved in the procedure of attestation of conformity the control plan will be handed over to the notified body. See section 3.2.2.

conformity, stating that the product is in conformity with the provisions of this ETA and shall mark the product with the CE mark according to clause 3.3.

### **3.2.2. Tasks of notified bodies**

#### **3.2.2.1 Initial inspection of the factory and of factory production control**

The appropriate part of the control plan states the information on the properties which have to be controlled by the notified body involved for initial inspection of factory and factory production control. The notified body has to control the devices and equipments and the documentation of the factory production control of the manufacturer when starting the production.

The notified body shall retain the essential points of its actions referred to above and state the results obtained and conclusions drawn in a written report.

The notified certification body involved by the manufacturer shall issue an EC certificate of conformity of the factory production control stating the conformity with the provisions of this ETA.

After changing the production process or starting the production in another manufacturing plant the initial inspection of factory and factory production control shall be repeated. The notified body shall issue a new EC certificate of conformity of the factory control stating the conformity with the provisions of this ETA.

#### **3.2.2.3 Continuous surveillance, assessment and approval of factory production control.**

The appropriate part of the control plan states the information on the product properties which have to be checked by the notified body involved. The frequency of this tasks should be once a year.

The notified body shall retain the essential points of its actions referred to above and state the results obtained and conclusions drawn in a written report.

In cases where the provisions of this ETA and its control plan are no longer fulfilled the certification body involved shall withdraw the certification of conformity and inform ETA-Danmark without delay.

### **3.3 CE marking**

The CE marking<sup>2</sup> shall be affixed on the packaging of the kit of the watertight membrane "Alfix Banemembran" or its accompanying documents.

The letters "CE" shall be followed by the identification number of the notified body, and be accompanied by the following additional information:

- name and address or identifying mark of the manufacturer,
- last two digits of the year in which the CE marking was affixed,
- number of the EC certificate for the factory production control,
- number of the European technical approval,
- number of the European technical guideline.

The components shall be specified as belonging to the composite waterproofing kit "Alfix Banemembran".

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<sup>2</sup> Notes on the CE marking are stated in Guidance Paper D "CE marking under the Construction Products Directive", Brussels, 01 August 2002

## **4 Assumptions under which the fitness of the product for the intended use was favourably assessed**

### **4.1 Manufacturing**

All materials shall be manufactured by Alfix A/S or by subcontractors under the responsibility of Alfix A/S

The European Technical Approval is issued for the product on the basis of agreed data/information, deposited with ETA-Danmark, which identifies the product that has been assessed and judged. Changes to the product or production process, which could result in this deposited data/information being incorrect, should be notified to ETA-Danmark before the changes are introduced. ETA-Danmark will decide whether or not such changes affect the ETA and consequently the validity of the CE marking on the basis of the ETA and if so whether further assessment or alterations to the ETA, shall be necessary.

### **4.2 Design and dimensioning**

The fitness for the respective use of the watertight membrane results from the characteristic values and categories.

The supplementing statements of the manufacturer stated in the MTD for design and application of the watertight system for creating a watertight covering under wearing surface for floors and walls in indoor wet areas shall be considered.

### **4.3 Installation**

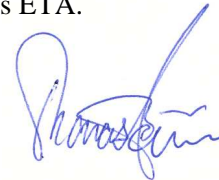
The fitness for use of the watertight membrane can be assumed only, if the installation is carried out according to the installation instructions stated in the MTD by the manufacturer, in particular taking account of the following points:

- installation by appropriately trained personnel,
- installation of only those components which are specified components of the kit,
- installation with the required tools and adjuvant, precautions during installation,
- inspecting the substrate surface for cleanliness and correct treatment,
- inspections during installation and of the finished watertight membrane and documentation of the results.

The information as to the handling of waste products shall be observed.

### **4.4 Manufacturers responsibility**

It is the manufacturer's responsibility to make sure that all those who utilize the kit will be appropriately informed about the specific conditions according to sections 1, 2, 4, and 5 including the annexes to this ETA and the not confidential parts of the MTD deposited to this ETA.



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## **5 Indications to the manufacturer**

### **5.1 Packaging, transport and storage**

Information on:

- Packaging
- transport and
- storage

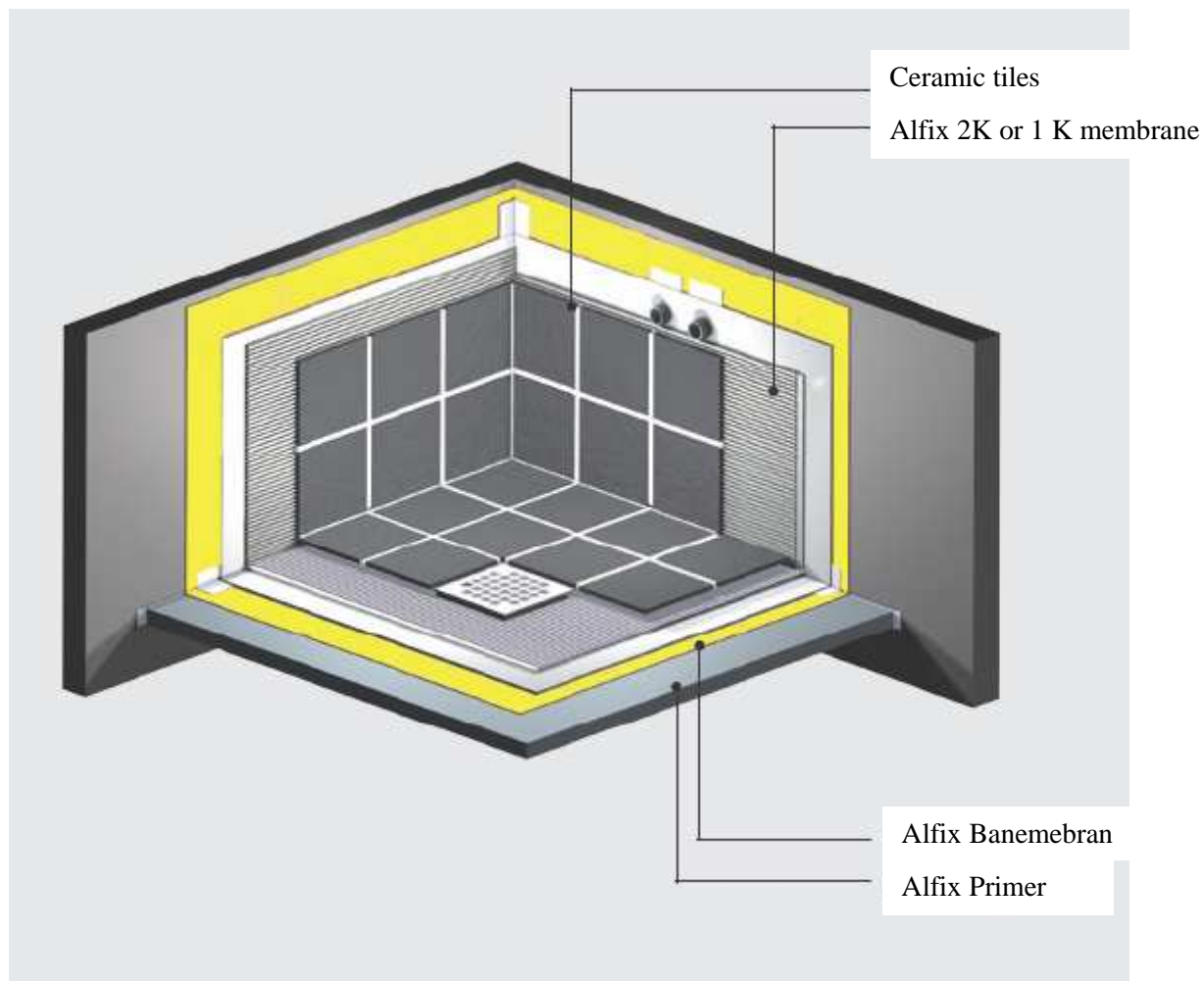
are given in the MTD.

### **5.2 Use, maintenance and repair**

Information on:

- Use
- maintenance
- repair

are given in the MTD.



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Annex 1

Principle build-up of the kit

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