RIW CAVITY DRAIN R20

Cavity Drain R20 is manufactured from 1.0mm thick brown virgin high density polyethylene with studs approximately 20mm high.

Other systems are available for specific uses, refer to Typical Uses inside.

**BENEFITS**

- Easy to install
- High drainage capacity
- High factor of safety
- High compressive strength
- Chemically resistant
- Can be applied to wet substrates

**APPLICATIONS**

- Basement and Sub-structures

**APPLIED TO**

- Concrete
- Masonry
- Piled walls
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**TYPICAL USES**

Cavity Drain R20 is used in situations where site conditions or structural design make it difficult or impossible to use traditional tanking methods. Cavity Drain R20 is used to collect water entering the structure and channel it to a sump or collection point for disposal (see details).

When designing Type C (drained) protection, as classified in BS 8102: 2009, the product applied correctly, is capable of providing the levels of protection required for Grade 1, 2 & 3 basements.

The product can also be used in conjunction with Type A or B protection where additional combined protection is required.

Other systems available are:

- **Cavity Drain R7** - suitable for use vertically where a smaller drainage capacity system is sufficient.
- **Plaster Drain** - suitable for use where walls are to be finished directly with a plaster or render.

**PERFORMANCE & COMPOSITION**

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<td>Maximum drainage capacity</td>
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<td>- 30°C to 80°C</td>
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<td>Maximum compressive strength</td>
<td>150kN/m²</td>
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The above performance figures are typical values and should not be considered a product specification.

**DURABILITY**

Subject to normal conditions of use Cavity Drain R20 will provide an effective barrier to the transmission of water and water vapour for the life of the structure.

**SPECIFICATION**

J40-Sheet Tanking/Damp Proofing in accordance with NBS Clause 290. Please consult RIW for further information.

**INDEPENDENT AUTHORITY**

Cavity Drain R20 has been awarded British Board of Agrément Certificate No. 05/4232, covering its use on walls and floors above and below ground.

**ANCILLARY PRODUCTS**

RIW produce a range of ancillary products for use with Cavity Drain R20 which includes:

- **Sealing Rope** - a self-adhesive rope or Tape for sealing between individual sheets and around services, fixings etc.
**Brick Plugs** – a fixing plug for vertical fixing of the Cavity Drain.

**Overtape** – a self-adhesive tape used to seal over joints, when necessary.

**Sealing Tape** – a self-adhesive tape to join DPCs etc. to the Cavity Drain R20.

**Aqua Channel** – an internal peripheral drainage channel for use at the base of the wall.

**Sump & Pumps** also available; see separate data.

**CONSTRUCTION**

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**GENERAL**

All construction should conform with the Building Regulations, Codes of Practice and British Standards in current use at the time the building is being constructed. In particular it is recommended that reference is made to BS 8102:2009.

**PREPARATION**

**All surfaces**: Should be firm, and free from obstructions, which would hamper free drainage. Defects that might result in unacceptable leaks should be remedied before the system is installed.

**Horizontal surfaces**: Should ideally be laid to falls to drainage outlets. Flat slabs are acceptable, provided ‘ponding’ water is not in excess of 10mm deep.

**Concrete surfaces**: Should be pre-treated with Cementseal Primer to reduce the risk of leaching of free lime or mineral salts, and to avoid the obstruction of the drainage system.

**APPLICATION**

**Horizontal**: The membrane is laid out ‘domes down’ over the floor, and consecutive membrane widths are laid so an overlap of two interlocking domes is achieved. There should be no fixings applied through the floor membrane.

**Vertical**: Installation of the Cavity Drain R20 is ideally commenced at the top of the construction. Sheets are interlocked by two domes, giving an overlap of 100mm. The lower sheet is always positioned in front of the upper sheet, to form a ‘weathered lap’.

**Fixings**: Should be made, using Brick Plugs, into 10mm diameter drilled holes to a minimum depth of 75mm (use punch). Fixings are sealed with Sealing Rope, which is packed around the brick plug before positioning. The fixings are normally required at 1.0m centres, and should be staggered.
Suspended floor detail

Detail at columns, service pipes etc
All overlaps: Should be sealed using a run of Sealing Rope or Tape placed along the flat area of the Cavity Drain membrane between the two rows of domes. It is recommended that if the product is used as a radon barrier, all lap joints must also be sealed internally with Overtape.

Wall/floor junctions: Incorporate Aqua Channel as per typical details. Alternatively, the horizontal and vertical sheets should be butt jointed at the base of the wall, the joint is then covered with Overtape. The dimples that will be covered by Overtape must be filled with a suitable strength concrete or mortar and allowed to dry. The surface should then be cleaned prior to application of Overtape.

Column/Service penetrations: The Cavity Drain R20 should be cut so it forms a butt joint against any projections, and then sealed with Sealing Rope. The two rows of dimples surrounding the penetration should be filled as for Wall/Floor Junctions. See Detail.

Protection: As soon as possible after application of the horizontal cavity membrane, the finishes should be laid. Care must be taken to avoid displacing the Cavity Drain R20 during screed or concrete placement. Walkways over the horizontal membrane should be provided to prevent damage during following works.

Vertical surfaces should be protected, by casting concrete against the Cavity Drain R20, or by building an inner masonry wall. Inner masonry walls may be tied back into the Cavity Drain R20, by fixing into the Brick Plugs. A similar method can be adopted should a ‘dry lining’ system be required.

Any damaged areas must be repaired, by cutting a patch at least two dimples larger than the damaged area. The patch is then overlaid and the edges sealed using Sealing Rope and Overtape as elsewhere.

Drainage: A drainage system of suitable capacity should be provided to collect and dispose of the infiltrating water. The system must be maintainable and inspected at regular intervals.

SUPPLY

AVAILABILITY

All products can be obtained through Builders Merchants or approved stockists. A list of approved stockists is available from RIW’s offices.

PACKAGING

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<td>Aqua Channel</td>
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STORAGE

There are no special requirements but rolls should be kept upright under cover and protected from extremes of temperature.

TECHNICAL SERVICES

The Technical Department is available to advise on individual projects and to prepare or assist in the preparation of specifications and drawings. A list of experienced applicators of our materials is available from RIW’s offices.

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