

# **Xunlight Photovoltaic Laminates General Instructions**



### Introduction

Xunlight Corporation is a manufacturer of flexible, lightweight and environmentally safe thin-film silicon solar laminates. Due to the unique composition of our advanced thin-film applications, our laminates can be utilized in a wide variety of ways. The combination of flexible and lightweight allows for the implementation of small- to large-scale energy generation strategies for a variety of applications. Xunlight laminates are designed to be versatile, long-lasting solar laminates suitable for a variety of applications.

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### **Safety Warnings**

- Xunlight laminates produce DC electricity when exposed to sunlight or other light sources and can produce an electrical shock or burn. Xunlight laminates continue to produce voltage when attached to a load or combiner box. Even at low light levels, the laminates can produce high voltages. Use insulated tools and gloves when working with Xunlight laminates. Xunlight laminates have no on/off switch, but they can be made to cease functioning by covering them with an opaque material or by placing the laminate on a clean, smooth and flat surface with the working side down so that the cells are not exposed to sunlight. When working on installed laminates, always wear electrical gloves, disconnect all external energy sources and short-circuit the output of the laminates.
- Xunlight Laminates can experience conditions that produce more current and/or voltage than that reported at standard test conditions. Ratings made at standard test conditions are for a fully stabilized product. The initial power production from Xunlight laminates may be as much as 15% above rated outputs during the stabilization period after product installation.
- Reflections from snow, rain clouds or buildings can increase sunlight and therefore raise the current above the rated value. Section 690 of the National Electric Code requires 156 percent for conductor and over current device sizing to account for this variance. Cold temperatures can increase voltage by 0.38 percent per degree C as the temperature drops. The highest acceptable voltage a photovoltaic array can be according to the NEC is 600 Volts. Xunlight laminates should be handled with care. The laminates contain live

electrical components. Do not cut or trim a laminate in any way. Do not drive screws through any part of the laminate. Doing so can cause electric shock, may result in fire and will void the warranty.

- Never artificially concentrate sunlight onto the surface of a Xunlight laminate.
- Care should be taken to avoid stepping on a laminate or placing/dropping tools, or boxes onto the top surface. The Xunlight laminates are slippery, especially when wet. Use extreme caution and proper safety gear when working or near the laminates.
- Damaged Xunlight laminates must be handled with caution and disposed of properly. There are no field serviceable components in a laminate.
- Although the Xunlight laminates can withstand certain types of deformation with no significant loss of performance, care should be taken not to dent the cells and to ensure that the laminate will lie flat when installed. Do not curve to a radius less than that of the shipping drum and not less than 8 inches (200 mm) in any case. Laminates should have a minimum bend radius of 36 inches when installed.
- Do not disconnect a laminate under load. The electrical path should only be disconnected using an approved disconnect device.
- Use caution when cleaning Xunlight laminates, as the combination of water and
  electricity may present a shock hazard. Generally, a good rain is sufficient to clean
  laminates installed on membrane roofing. However, in dusty arid locations the laminates
  can be cleaned with water or mild soap and water. Do not use abrasive soaps or solvents.
  Do not spray water directly at leading edge of the Xunlight laminates. Avoid cleaning
  the laminates in the middle of the day.
- Avoid shadows by proper selection of the installation site.
- Depending on the roof type, Xunlight laminates have a Class A fire rating up to and including slopes of 2" per foot. However, this rating is not valid of all types of roofs. Please contact Xunlight with details of your proposed installation.

### **Codes and Regulations**

In the U.S., all installations should conform to the National Electric Code (NEC), including article 690 on Solar Photovoltaic Systems and all other appropriate articles and sections. The mechanical and electrical installation of Xunlight laminates in Canada should be performed in accordance CSA C22.1 and with all applicable codes, including electrical codes, building codes, and electrical utility interconnect requirements. Such requirements may vary with mounting locations and roofing technology. Requirements may also vary with system voltages and array complexities. Local authorities should be contacted for governing regulations. Mechanical installation should be completed by licensed roofing contractors and electrical connections should be completed by licensed electrical contractors or certified NABCEP installers.

### **Product Specifications**

The maximum system voltage for a Xunlight laminate is 600 Vdc in the US and Canada (1000V in Europe). Xunlight laminates must not be connected directly in parallel without use of a string fuse.

Xunlight laminates have no external metal parts that require grounding. If a metal structure, wire-way, or combiner box is included in the photovoltaic -system, grounding of that component should be in conformance with local and national codes.

The electrical characteristics in Table 1 are within  $\pm 10$  percent of the indicated values of  $I_{SC}$ ,  $V_{OC}$ , and  $P_{MAX}$  under standard test conditions (irradiance of  $100 \text{ mW/cm}^2$ , AM 1.5 spectrum, and a cell temperature of  $25^{\circ}C$  (77°F)). Note that during the first few weeks of operation, the power may be higher than the rated values by 15%, voltages may be higher by 10% and currents may be higher by 5%. Typical power degradation of Xunlight laminates after light soaking in accordance with the IEC61646 method is 10-12%.

Under normal conditions, a photovoltaic laminate is likely to experience conditions that produce more current and/or voltage than reported at standard test conditions. Accordingly, the values of  $I_{SC}$  and  $V_{OC}$  marked on this laminate should be multiplied by a factor of 1.3 when determining component voltage ratings, conductor ampacities, and size of controls connected to the PV output. The fuse rating for the Xunlight laminates is 10 amperes (8 amperes in Europe). Only DC-rated fuses of the appropriate type and voltage rating shall be used.

Refer to Section 690-8 of the National Electrical Code for an additional multiplying factor of 125 percent (80 percent derating) which may be applicable.

The Xunlight family of photovoltaic laminates consists of three different series of laminates. The XR series, the XRS series, and the XRU series. The product data sheets (below) lists the ratings and sizes of the available laminates in each series. Please visit Xunlight.com for the latest updates to the data sheets. The electrical connection to the laminate is factory installed and is terminated with Tyco SOLARLOK connectors. Each solar cell in a laminate has two bypass diodes for minimize loss of performance under partial illumination. The laminates weigh approximately 0.5 lb/ft² and are rated to withstand a uniform 30 lb/ft² load if installed according to instruction





**XR Solar Laminate Series** 

Models: XR12 XR36

Basic Characteristics at STC		XR12	XR36
Power (±5%)	Pm (W)	97	291
Open Circuit Voltage	Voc (V)	26.50	79.50
Short Circuit Current	Isc (A)	6.35	6.35
Voltage at Max Power	Vm (V)	19.40	58.20
Current at Max Power	Im (A)	5.00	5.00
Length (±3 mm/0.12 in)	L (mm/in)	1801/70.91	5182/204.03
Width (±3 mm/0.12 in)	W (mm/in)	911/35.88	911/35.88
Weight	M (kg/lbs)	4/9	12/26
Thickness	T (mm/in)	1.5/0.06	1.5/0.06

Characteristics for System Design *		
Max System Voltage	600 V (US/Canada), 1000 V (Europe)	
Series Fuse	10 A (UL 1703/US NEC), 8 A (Europe/IEC)	
Temp Coefficient of Power	- 0.243 %/°C	
Temp Coefficient of Voc	- 0.394 %/°C	
Temp Coefficient of Isc	+0.136 %/°C	
NOCT	51.5 °C	
Classification	IEC Application Class A/Safety Class II	
UL 1703 Fire Rating	Class A	

<sup>\*</sup> See manual or contact Xunlight for details.

Certified to the following standards: IEC 61646, EN 61730 and UL 1703.

25 year limited power output warranty (80% of minimum power at 25 years)

5 year limited product warranty

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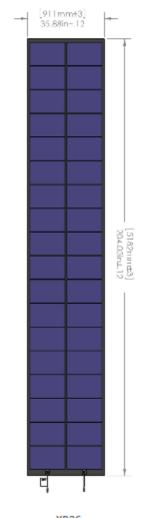








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XR36 See table for other models

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# **XRS Solar Laminate Series**

Models: XRS10 XRS19

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Basic Characteristics at STC		XRS10	XRS19
Power (±5%)	Pm (W)	81	154
Open Circuit Voltage	Voc (V)	22.1	42.0
Short Circuit Current	Isc (A)	6.35	6.35
Voltage at Max Power	Vm (V)	16.2	30.7
Current at Max Power	Im (A)	5.00	5.00
Length (±3 mm/0.12 in)	L (mm/in)	2944/115.9	5480/215.8
Width (±3 mm/0.12 in)	W (mm/in)	454/17.9	454/17.9
Weight	M (kg/lbs)	3.3/7.2	6.3/13.8
Thickness	T (mm/in)	1.5/0.06	1.5/0.06

Characteristics for System Design *		
Max System Voltage	600 V (US/Canada), 1000 V (Europe)	
Series Fuse	10 A (UL 1703/US NEC), 8 A (Europe/IEC)	
Temp Coefficient of Power	- 0.243 %/°C	
Temp Coefficient of Voc	- 0.394 %/°C	
Temp Coefficient of Isc	+0.136 %/°C	
NOCT	51.5 °C	
Classification	IEC Application Class A/Safety Class II	
UL 1703 Fire Rating	Class A	

<sup>\*</sup> See manual or contact Xunlight for details.

Standard XRS-19 available certified to IEC 61646, EN 61730 and UL 1703. Certifications expected for other models September 2011.

25 year limited power output warranty (80% of minimum power at 25 years) 5 year limited product warranty

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# **XRU Solar Laminate Series**

Models: XRU10 XRU19

Basic Characteristics at STC		XRU10	XRU19
Power (±5%)	Pm (W)	71	134
Open Circuit Voltage	Voc (V)	22.5	42.0
Short Circuit Current	Isc (A)	5.4	5.4
Voltage at Max Power	Vm (V)	16.7	31.7
Current at Max Power	Im (A)	4.24	4.24
Length (±3 mm/0.12 in)	L (mm/in)	2944/115.9	5480/215.8
Width (±3 mm/0.12 in)	W (mm/in)	391/15.4	391/15.4
Weight	M (kg/lbs)	2.8/6.2	5.3/11.7
Thickness	T (mm/in)	1.5/0.06	1.5/0.06

Characteristics for System Design *		
Max System Voltage	600 V (US/Canada), 1000 V (Europe)	
Series Fuse	10 A (UL 1703/US NEC), 8 A (Europe/IEC)	
Temp Coefficient of Power	- 0.243 %/°C	
Temp Coefficient of Voc	- 0.394 %/°C	
Temp Coefficient of Isc	+0.136 %/°C	
NOCT	51.5 °C	
Classification	IEC Application Class A/Safety Class II	
UL 1703 Fire Rating	Pending	

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### Certifications

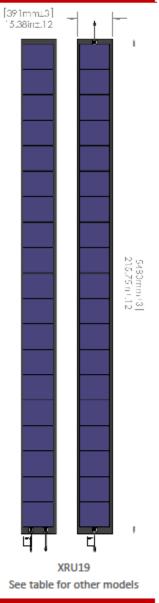
Available certified to IEC 61646, EN 61730 (UL 1703 expected September 2011). Certifications for option with J-Box at same end expected September 2011.

### Warranty

25 year limited power output warranty (80% of minimum power at 25 years)

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Before starting any installation, review the label supplied on each laminate for electrical specifications, system design specifications and warnings or cautions. Figure 2 shows an example label and the information it contains.

Manufacturer/Fabricant : Xunlight Corporation Model/Modèle XR36-291 Date of Manufacture/de fabrication (mm/dd/yyyy) 00/00/0000 Serial Number/Numéro de série EXAMPL Maximum Power/Puissance maximale (Pmax) 291 W Open Circuit Voltage/Tension en circuit ouvert (Voc) : 79.50 V Short-circuit Current/Courant de court-circuit (Isc) 6.35 A Voltage at maximum power/Tension nominale (Vmp) 58.2 V Current at maximum power/Courant nominal (Imp) 5.00 A Maximum system voltage/Tension maximale du système 600 V Series Fuse/Fusible de séries 10 A Diode 12 A Fire Rating/Classement de résistance au feu : Class/Classe A

All values at standard test conditions (AM1.5, 1000 W/m², 25°C) in accordance with IEC-61646 after light soaking/Toutes les valeurs sont four/fles sous conditions de test standard (CTS – AM 1,5; 1000 W/m², 25°C) après ensofeillement selon CEI-61646. See manual for details/Voir le manuel pour plus de détails.



Field wiring/Câblage minimal 14AWG, -40°C to 90°C Cu only/Cu uniquement. See manual for wiring instructions/Voir le Manuel d'installation pour les instructions de câblage. Maximum mechanical load 30 lb/sq. ft. (not rated for structural loads)/Pulssance mécanique 30 lb/sjed carré (non conçu pour charges structurales).

Panels do not contain any user serviceable parts. Panels must be maintained by qualified personnel only/Attention: Le produit ne contient aucune pièce réparable par l'utilisateur. Les panneaux sont entretenus et réparés uniquement par un personnel qualifié.

Warning: Risk of electric shock. Panels produce electricity when exposed to light/
Avertissement: Risque de choc électriquel Les panneaux produisent de l'électricité à partir du rayonnement solaire.



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Do not disconnect under load. Ne pas débrancher lorsque chargée.

Figure 2. Example of Laminate Label

### **Installation Considerations**

Specific instructions for various types of installations are available from Xunlight as attachments to this document. Further, a system installation will typically include wire-ways, conduits, combiner boxes, over current protection devices, and inverters. The specification and installation of these system components are not covered in this document or in the attachments. A qualified professional, NABCEP certified installer, or licensed electrician should design and install Xunlight XR-Series laminate systems in accordance with all national and local codes and regulations. Do not design or install a system that exceeds the fuse, voltage, or current ratings on the label of a Xunlight laminate.

### **Rooftop installation methods**

A minimum slope of 0.25" per foot is recommended for all installations to permit water runoff. Fire rating restrictions apply for roof slopes greater than 2" per foot. Contact Xunlight if planning such installations.

### **Standing Seam Metal Roofs**

There are several different ways to attach the Xunlight laminates to standing seam metal roofs. For metal roofs having flats between the structural ribs less that 16 inches (405mm) there is a plate mounting option where the laminate is adhered to a metal roofing material and fastened over top of the structural ribs. This installation method can be used for all of the Xunlight laminates. Below is an example of this installation method, XR series laminates are installed on a trapezoidal steel roof

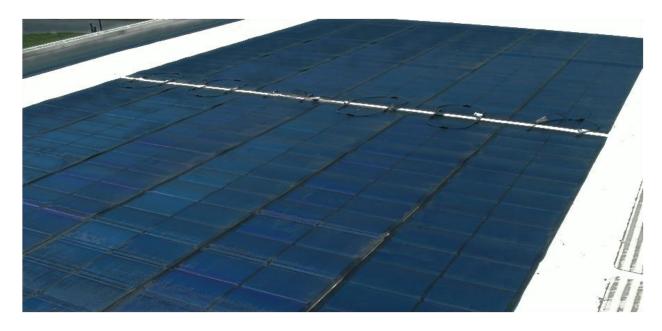


For standing seam metal roofs having structural ribs with a flat area over 16 inches (405mm) but less than 18.75 inches (476mm) the XRU series of laminates are ideally suited. For standing seam metal roofs having structural ribs with a flat area over 18.75 inches (476mm) the XRS series of laminates are recommended. The XRU and XRS laminates are adhered directly to the flat of the roof using standard roofing tapes. Below illustrates this type of installation, XRS laminates are directly adhered to a metal standing seam roof.



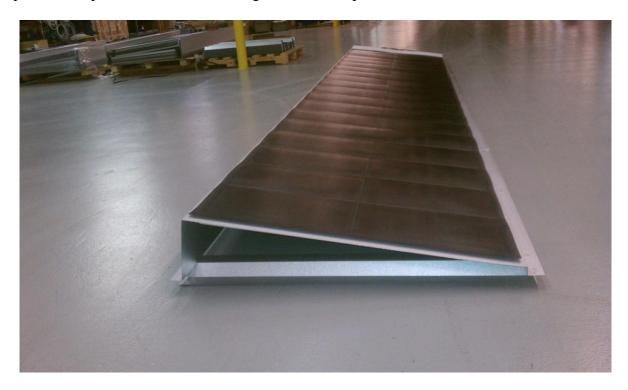
### **EPDM or TPO Membrane Roofs**

For single ply membrane roofs using EPDM or TPO, the XR family of laminates can be directly adhered to the surface using standard roofing tapes. Below illustrates XR36 laminates installed on one such roof.



### **Tilted Mounting Structure**

For flat roofs that experience excessive snow coverage the tilted mounting structure is ideal. The structure offers several advantages on the not so ideal roof tops. The raised profile keeps the laminates out of the pooled water or ice caused by snow and allows snow to melt and runoff of the laminates quickly. The additional benefit is that it adds a 10° tilt angle which improves the power output of the system. XR series laminates are direct adhered to the mounting structure using common roofing tapes and the assembly can be ballasted to the roof. In the case of EPDM or TPO roofs the mounting structure can be directly adhered to the roof using standard roofing tapes with no penetrations in the roofing membrane required.



### **Miscellaneous Installation and Uses**

### **Land Fill and Ground Cover applications**

Due to the laminate's flexibility and lightweigh the XR family of laminates are ideal for direct adhering to landfill and other ground covers where rigid panels are not suitable. Illustrated below is one such installation.



### **Tilted Ground Mounting**

The tilted mounting structure is also well suited for ground mounting as well as a roof mounted systems. The system can be anchored to the ground using many common ground anchoring methods or be ballasted. Due to the fact that a foundation is not required for mounting the laminates, sections or the entire solar array can be moved if required in the future. Below is an illustration showing an array mounted on grassy soil, though another popular application is an unused parking lots.



### **Facade mounting**

The XR family of laminates can be mounted on the facade of buildings or other structures. In the picture below, Xunlight laminates are facade mounted on the world's first totally solar powered sign in Times Square.



### **Unique applications**

If you have a unique application, please contact Xunlight via www.Xunlight.com or call 419-469-8622. Our experienced applications group can go to work for you and provide a solution for your solar power needs.



# **Mechanical Installation Insert**

# **Xunlight Photovoltaic Laminates Adhered to Standing Seam or Other Metal Roofing Products**



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Several other installation methods for terrestrial, commercial, and residential rooftops applications are available, Please visit WWW.Xunlight.com for more information.

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Prior to installation you must first read Xunlight's catalog #IM1 for general safety and Liability information.

Please contact Jim Young prior to starting the installation (See cover page for contact information)

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### • Safety Warnings

- Xunlight laminates are designed for terrestrial, commercial, industrial, and residential rooftop applications. The installation instructions are related specifically for the use of Xunlight Laminates in conjunction with standing seam metal roofs or similar metal roofing material such as Galvalume/Zincalume coiled material.
- Do not puncture, cut, or alter the Xunlight laminate in any way. Doing so could result in electrical shock, may cause a fire, and will void the warranty, and all Xunlight Safety Certifications for this product will be invalidated. There is no field serviceable components, or components that can be field altered in a Xunlight laminate.

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These installation instructions are specifically for use of Xunlight laminates directly adhered to a standing seam metal roofs or other similar metal product. Before starting any installation, review the label supplied on each laminate for electrical specifications, system design specifications and warnings or cautions.

**Installation Considerations** --Before installing the Xunlight laminates a site survey should be performed. Sites should be selected in areas providing full direct sunlight, especially during the middle of the day, when the sun is the highest. An area large enough for the array must be identified. It should be flat, clean, well drained, and free of shadows. A minimum pitch of ½ inch per foot is required to prevent ponding. Areas showing evidence of previous ponding should be repaired prior to installation of the laminate. Due to the many different types of roofing materials and designs there are several variations to applying the Xunlight laminates to the roofing material. This guide will cover the general installation techniques for the most common types of installations. However please contact a local professional engineer to perform a wind uplift study prior to the installation so a detailed plan can be established to ensure the proper installation technique and mounting arrangement is used.

A rooftop system installation will typically include wire-ways, conduits, combiner boxes, over current protection devices, and inverters. The specification and installation of these system components are not covered in this document. A qualified professional, NABCEP certified installer or licensed electrician should design and install Xunlight laminate systems in accordance with all national and local codes and regulations. Do not design or install a system that exceeds the fuse, voltage, or current ratings on the label of a Xunlight laminate.

Laminate Handling -- Care should be taken while handling the Xunlight laminates. A cardboard core is provided in the box of laminates and it is an essential tool in removing and transporting the laminate to the installation position. To remove a laminate turn core and wrap the laminate around the core while turning the core inside the box. Two installers should then pull the core with the laminate wrapped around it out of the box; at least one installer should be holding the short edge of the laminate to the core so that it does not unroll prematurely. Carry the laminate on the core to its installation position.

**Required Tools** -- Below is a list of the required tools to install the entire line of Xunlight laminates on TPO and EPDM roofs.

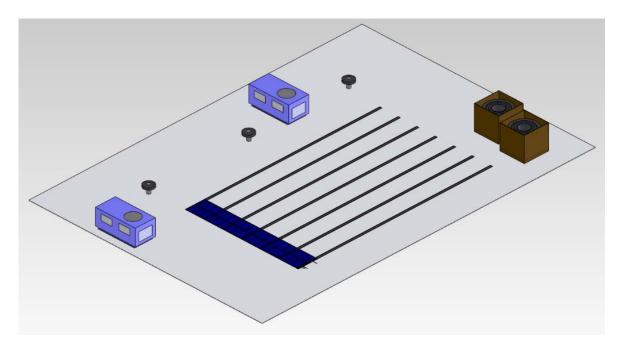


### **Tools needed:**

- a. Chalk line
- b. Gloves
- c. Scissors
- d. Tape measures
- e. Manufacturer Recommended primer applicator
- f. Razor knife
- g. Firestone Quick Prime Plus (for Xunlight laminates)
- h. ADCO Heliobond PVA600BT
- i. Isopropanol, rags
- j. Indelible markers
- k. Rubber roller
- 1. 3M #4110 Acrylic Tape 1inch (25mm) wide.

### Mechanical Installation Layout and Prep work --

The mechanical means for securing the laminate to the roof is the application of 4 inch wide ADCO Heliobond PVA 600BT (butyl) seam tape and 3M #4110 (acrylic) tape adhered to the roofing material. However each installation site is unique and should have a wind uplift study included in the site survey. The hold strength of seam tape is available upon request. Below is an illustration of a **perpendicular** tape layout for flat metal roofing material. Tape is applied to the roofing membrane full length of the array **perpendicular** to the length of the laminates. The header and footer tapes should be the 1" acrylic tape extend past the laminate slightly with the butyl tape adhered directly to the inside. This insures that the edge of the laminate will not extend past the edge of the tape during the installation process. The center of the laminates should have additional, evenly spaced strips of butyl tape to achieve a maximum distance of 34" between each strip of tape. In the illustration XR36 laminates are shown which require 7 strips of tape to achieve the 34" maximum tape spacing. For installations where there are obstructions like the raised seams on a standing seam metal roof it is appropriate to apply the butyl tape parallel to the length of the laminate with the acrylic tape at the header and footer end with slight amount of tape exposed. For the XRU and XRS series laminate butyl tape at each edge will suffice for the XR series laminates an additional strip of butyl tape on the center of the laminate is required. Be sure to apply the butyl tape leaving the tape slightly exposed on the edges so the edge of the laminate is fully adhered. Leave a 1/2" (12mm) space on the acrylic tape at the lower edge of the laminate for a weep hole to allow condensation to exit. The temperature must be above 50°F for the tape to adhere properly.



Once the locations of the laminates and corresponding tape is determined snap chalk lines according to the tape layout requirements stated above. Clean the roofing material, per the manufacturer's current technical specifications where the tape will be placed. Allow the roof to dry completely, apply the manufacturers recommended primer to the cleaned areas of the roof. Allow the primer adequate time to cure. It may be necessary to re-snap chalk lines prior to applying the tape to the roof. Step by step detailed instructions are to follow

### **Step by Step Laminate Installation Instructions**

- 1. Measure key reference points where tape will be applied and mark with indelible marker. Snap chalk lines at reference points to guide the installation of the laminates.
- 2. Clean area where adhesive tape is to be installed. Use isopropanol or roofing manufacturer's recommended cleaning solution for difficult to remove materials.
- 3. Apply primer (Firestone Quick Prime Plus) to the laminates. The primer on the laminates must correspond to the tape pattern of the roofing substrate.
- 4. Apply the roofing manufacturers recommended Primer to the roofing material using the manufacturers recommended applicator in the appropriate configuration using the chalk lines as a guide. The location of the primer must correspond with the primer applied to the laminates
- 5. Once the primer has set up install the adhesive tape to the primed locations of the roofing material using your chalk lines as a guide. Apply the tape the full length of the array and cut the tape to length. Use the rubberized roller to ensure proper adhesion to the roof.
- 6. Now you are ready to install the laminates, with the tape's release film still applied, use the cardboard core provided to carefully unroll the laminate into its approximate position. Using the chalk lines as guides, position the laminate into its final position.
- 7. Pull the tape's release film on the junction box end of the laminate. Press the laminate into the tape to adhere the laminate to the roof. This will ensure the laminate does not get moved from its proper position for the remainder of the steps. In the case of standing seam or similar **parallel** tape application roofs remove the acrylic tape's liner and approximately 2 foot of the release films on the butyl tape on the header side of the laminate.
- 8. For **perpendicular** installations start from the non adhered end of the laminate roll the laminate back on to the cardboard core exposing the remainder of the tape. Peel away the tape's release films as you unroll the laminate off of the cardboard core. Keep a constant tension on the core as you unroll the laminate to ensure the laminates lay flat. For **parallel** installations it is not necessary to roll the laminate back on to the core, simply peal off the remainder of the release liner.
- 9. Press the adhesive tape that is under the installed laminate using the rubberized roller. Use between 5 and 10 pounds of pressure. This will create the proper adhesion between the laminate and the tape. For **perpendicular** tape applications Trim the release film leaving enough to have an overlap between the film and the previously installed laminate. This will stop the laminates from prematurely sticking to the tape during the alignment of the next laminate that is to be installed.
- 10. Continue installing the laminates in this fashion until the array is completed.

**Laminate Interconnection** – Xunlight laminates are supplied with factory installed Tyco SOLARLOK connectors. The factory installed wires are 12 AWG [4 mm<sup>2</sup>] copper UL-listed PV-wire which is rated for 90°C. Series strings of laminates may be directly attached together using these connectors.

At the ends of series strings, Tyco SOLARLOK connectors should be attached to USE-2 or PV-Wire that has been certified by Tyco to conform to the requirements of UL-1703 in combination with these connectors. At the publication date of this manual, the instructions for field wiring with Tyco connectors is provided in Tyco Technical Bulletin 1654268-1, Issued 05-2007. The Installer should always acquire a new copy of this document from <a href="https://www.tycoelectronics.com">www.tycoelectronics.com</a> for each installation. The Tyco Part Number for the male connector is 6-1394461-2. The Tyco Part Number for the female connector is 1394462-3. SOLARLOK assemblies are not designed to be used as laminate disconnects. National and local codes applying to wire size and selection should be observed and the correct tools and crimp contacts should be utilized according to the Tyco Field Application Manual.

Do not cut off the factory supplied connectors to field wire the laminates. This will void the Warranty and all Xunlight Safety Certifications for this product will be invalidated.

### **Laminate Disconnect and Removal**

In the event that a Xunlight laminate needs to be removed or replaced use the following procedures. A certified electrician is required for the electrical servicing of the system.

- 1. Use shut down procedure provided in the electrical system documentation.
- 2. Make sure your shoes are clean and free of debris.
- 3. If it is necessary to walk on the laminates use a high voltage rubber mat.
- 4. Cover adjacent laminates with an opaque material such as cardboard
- 5. Unplug the necessary connectors.
- 6. Short out laminate to be removed and adjacent laminates
- 7. Using a heat gun, heat the top of the laminate above the adhered area use a metal scraper placed between the top of the adhesive tape and the back sheet of the laminate and while moderately pulling on the laminate use the scraper to help release the laminate from the tape, use the heat gun to melt the adhesive while pulling.
- 8. To install a new laminate follow the installation steps in this insert.

### 9. Specifications and Support Documents



PVA 600BT
PV Module Installation Tape
Product Data Sheet

Description:

PVA 600BT is an extruded black rubber adhesive tape designed to provide high strength, watertight attachment of PV modules and PV pre-assemblies to single ply EPDM, TPO and metal roofing panels. It is also suitable for use on properly prepared granulated and non-granulated modified bitumen roofing.

granulated and non-granulated modified bitumen roofing. PVA 600BT is soft and tacky for quick grab to roof membranes, yet possesses high initial strength at 158°F (70°C). PVA 600BT also exhibits excellent adhesion to polar and non-polar substrates such as glass, metals, wood, concrete, masonry and plastics.

Features	Benefits
UL and FM Approved	Code Approvals
Environmentally Safe	No VOC's
Lowers Labor Costs	Decreases Application Time
Safety Benefits	No Solvents or Torch Needed
Excellent Tack	Ouick Stick

### Basic Use:

For adhering flexible PV modules and PV pre-assemblies to EPDM and TPO membrane roofing.

### Application Instructions:

Refer to ADCO Products, Inc. application procedures.

### Limitations:

Talc, dust, oil, ice, snow or wet conditions inhibit good adhesion. Clean and dry surfaces are a necessity.

### Health & Safety:

Users must follow individual product data sheet and Material Safety Data Sheets (M.S.D.S.) for health and safety precautions. Always use protective eyewear.

### Availability/Cost:

Availability and cost can be obtained from your local ADCO Products, Inc. representative or distributor.

### PVA 600BT

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Tec	hnical Data		
Physical Properties			
	Typical Value	5 T	est Method
Color	Black		isual
Permeability	0.6 Perm-Mi	ls A	STM E 96
Hardness	110 dmm	A	STM D 217
Ash Content	16%	A	STM D 297
Brittleness Temperature	-50°F	A	STM D 746
Solids Content	98%		STM C 681
Tensile Adhesive Strength	35 psi (alum	) A	STM C 907
Tensile Strength (tape)	50 psi min.		STM D 412
Elongation (tape)	> 1000%		STM D 412
Specific Gravity	0.97		STM D 71
Shear Strength on EPDM Peel Strength on TPO * Shear Strength on TPO * Peel Strength on Mod-Bit Shear Strength on Mod-Bit Peel Strength on PVDF Co Shear Strength on PVDF ( Application Propertie	it pated Metal Coated Metal	8 pl 15p 5 pl 30 p 12 p	si @ 70°F i @ 70°F si @ 70°F i @ 70°F si @ 70°F si @ 70°F si @ 70°F
Service Temperature	-40°F to 250°F	AST	M D 3359
Application Temp.:	40°F to 120°F	AST	TM C 603
Storage Temperature:	68°F to 120°F	AST	M D 1337
Minimum Shelf Life:	Two Years	AST	M D 1337
*Primed with ADCO PVP Peel and shear values of ASTM D 816. NOTE: The foregoing i information only. The characteristics are approxi-	btained using A information is pu listed properties	STM blished and p	D 413 and l as general performance

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### PVA 600BT TAPE APPLICATION GUIDE

### 1. Substrate Evaluation

PVA 600BT adhesive is suitable for bonding PV modules to a variety of roofing substrates, including TPO, EPDM modified bitumen and metals. The age and condition of the roofing material must be evaluated prior to installation. The roofing material must not exhibit any peeling, cracking, rust, leaks or other potential failures. If it does the roof must be repaired or replaced prior to placing the PV modules. Thorough evaluation is recommended when bonding to any questionable surface. Adequate roof drainage is necessary. Avoid application to any area that exhibits ponding. Ponding leaves residues that are very hard to remove. These residues must be removed with cleaners and vigorous scrubbing to ensure adequate bonding. If cleaning damages the roof material it must be repaired and brought up to the original manufacturer's specifications. A primer for use in areas that show excessive soiling after thorough cleaning may be necessary to facilitate proper bonding and is available from ADCO Products.

### 2. Preparation of Substrate

All substrates must be dry and free of dirt, oils, soot, leaves and other contamination. Avoid ponding situations and assure adequate drainage.

### TPO, EPDM, Coated and Uncoated Metals:

The substrate to be bonded should be cleaned with an appropriate solvent, preferably IPA (Isopropanol) no more that 30 minutes prior to bonding of PVA 600BT adhesive backed part. To ensure removal of all contaminants without leaving any residue, use Scotch-Brite™ pad followed by a clean, lint-free wiping cloth or disposable wipe (never recycled rags). Other solvents such as VM&P naphtha, heptane or methanol may be suitable for cleaning various substrates after thorough evaluation. The substrate must be thoroughly dry through evaporation of the solvent with radiant heat, hot air dryers or with time before bonding PVA 600BT adhesive backed parts. Ensure optimum substrate temperature, never below 40°F. (5°C) at application time. Assure application temperature of 40°F to 120°F (5°C to 50°C).

### Modified Bitumen:

Lightly broom the surface to remove any loose aggregate being careful not to remove aggregate still bound to the surface. A leaf blower can be used to remove the loosened aggregate. Do not try to clean the substrate with solvents or apply any primer. If there is any question regarding the integrity of the roof membrane, overcoat the modified bitumen with a membrane supplier approved roof coating. Allow the coating to dry completely before applying the PV modules. Consult the coating manufacturer for proper dry times.

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Note: All tapes should be thoroughly evaluated by the user under actual

conditions with intended aubstrales to determine whether a specific tape is fit for a particular purpose and auttable for user's

method of application, especially if expected use involves extreme environmental conditions.

Note: The following technical information

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### 3M<sup>™</sup> Solar Acrylic Foam Tape 4110

### **Product Description**

3M\* Solar Acrylic Foam Tape 4110 features a modified acrylic adhesive on both sides of a very conformable, black acrylic foam carrier. It offers good adhesion on a broad range of substrates.

### **Key Benefits**

- Pressure sensitive adhesive for quick application with immediate handling strength to speed assembly.
- Strength to replace liquid adhesives and mechanical fasteners in many applications.
- Neat application without the mess, ooze, and curing delay of liquid adhesives.
- Can typically tolerate differential movement in the shear plane up to 3 times its thickness.
- Bonds and seals simultaneously with durability to withstand vibration, impact, and weathering.
- Provides a clean, smooth appearance.

### Slitting Tolerance

Standard slitting tolerance ±1/32 inch (±0.8mm).

### Core Size

Available on a 3 inch ID Core (76.2 mm).

### **UL Component Recognition**

Tape 4110 is UL listed under UL 746C category QOQW2, file number MH17478.

### Typical Physical Properties

Propert	es	Typical V	alues
Color		Blac	k
	Inches (mm)	0.045 (1.1)	
Thickness	Tolerance	±10	%.
Adhesive 1	ype	Modified Acrylic	
Foam Type		Very Conformable Closed Co	
Density Ib	ft*(kg/m²)	37 (590)	
Release	Type	PEFilm	
Liner	Inches (mm)	0.005(0.125)	
Thickness	Color	Red	
Dynamic	Adhesion Performance	Unit	Value
90° Peel A	dresion	Ib/in (N/100 mm) 20 (350	
Normal Ter	rale	Ib/inf (kPa) 90 (62)	
Dynamic 0	verlap Sheer	Ib/inf (kPa)	80 (550)
<u>†</u>	90"Peel Adhesion – Based room temperature, jaw spec force to remove is measure.	ed 12 in/min (305 mm/r	
	Normal Tensile (T-Block Te room temperature, 1 in <sup>2</sup> (6.4 Peak force to separate is me	(5 cm²), jaw speed 2 in/	To aluminum, min (50 mm/mir
ħ	Dynamic Overlap Shear – J temperature, 1 in² (6.45 cm Peak force to separate is me	), jaw speed 0.5 in/min	iess steel, room (12.7 mm/min.)
Static Sh	ear	1 10	
		72°F (22°C)	1000

| Weight (grams) that 1/2 square inch | 150°F (86°C) | 500 | will hold 10,000 minutes (7 days) | 200°F (83°C) | 500 | 250°F (12°°C) | 250 | 250°F (12°°C) |



temporatures and gram loadings. 0.5 in [3.22 cm²]. Will hold listed weight for 10,000 minutes (approximately 7 days). Convension: 1500 g/U.5 in? equate 6.6 ib/ln²; 500 g/U.5 in? = 2.2 ib/ln².

temperature dynamic steep properties holowing 4 hours conditioning at indicated temperature with 100 g/static load. (Represents minutes hours in a process type temperature exposure).

Long Term Temperature Tolerance – Maximum temperature where tape supports at least 250 g load per 0.5 in<sup>2</sup> in static shear for 10,000 minutes. (Represents continuous exposure for days or weeks.



### Application Guidelines

Temperature, humidity, pressure and cleanliness can impact the adhesion characteristics.

- Temperature: As temperature increases, the initial adhesion will typically increase. Suggested application temperatures are 70°F to 100°F (21°C to 38°C).
   Minimum application temperature is 60°F (15°C).
- Humidity: The suggested humidity target for the application is below 90% R.H. SAFT that has a paper liner should be kept and applied below 70% R.H. There is concern that bringing cold tape or substrates into a warm humid environment can also cause condensation, which impact adhesion.
- Pressure: Increasing pressure can improve the adhesive to surface contact, which can increase the adhesion.
   Suggested pressurization is 30 psi. Minimum suggested pressurization is 15 psi at bondline interface.
- Cleanliness: The cleanliness of the surface can also impact adhesion. Typically a thorough cleaning with a 50:50 mixture of isopropyl alcohol and water is sufficient.

The impact of these variables is very dependent on the specific substrate. Going outside of these ranges can have positive or negative impacts. Performance is dependent on the substrate.

See Application Techinques document for additional information.

### Shelf Life

24 months from date of manufacture when stored at 40°F to 100°F (4°C to 38°C) and 0 to 95% relative humidity. The optimum storage conditions are 72°F (22°C) and 50% relative humidity.

Performance of tapes is not projected to change even after shelf life expires; however, 3M does suggest that 3M™ Solar Acrylic Foam Tapes are used prior to the shelf life date whenever possible.

### Additional Typical Characteristics

Properties	Typical Values	
Thermal Conductivity – K-value BTU in	Unit hrf# °F (w/mK)	Value 0.37 (0.05)
R-Value – thickness/K-value (When unit thickness is given in inches.)	s of K-value are BTU-l	n/hrft <sup>a</sup> "Fand
Resistivity (ASTM D267)	Unit	Value
Volume Resistivity	(in ohm-cm)	2.5 x 10 N
Surface Resistance	(In ohms/square)	>10**

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### QuickPrime™ Plus

### Firestone Item Number:

1- Quart: W56RAC1695 1- Gallon: W563587041 3- Gallon: W563587044

### DESCRIPTION:

QuickPrime Plus is designed to clean and prime RubberGard™ EPDM membrane prior to application of QuickSeam™ products where required by Firestone Specifications and Details.

QuickPrime Plus must be applied with a QuickScrubber™ or QuickScrubber Plus pad and handle when preparing RubberGard membrane to receive QuickSeam Tape products. It may also be used to clean membrane prior to the application of Firestone Splice Adhesive (SA-1065).

### METHOD OF APPLICATION:

- Splice surfaces must be clean, dry, and free of foreign materials and excess dusting agent. Clean with broom or rags to remove contaminates.
- Stir QuickSeam Plus thoroughly before and during use. Apply QuickPrime Plus at the rate of 200 - 250 square feet per gallon (4.91 -6.14 square meters per liter) per side to the splicing surfaces using the QuickScrubber or QuickScrubber Plus pad and handle.
- Use back and forth strokes with heavy pressure along the length of the splicing area, until membrane surfaces become dark gray in color with no streaking or puddling.
- Additional scrubbing is required at factory seams, areas of excess dusting agent, or other contaminated areas of the RubberGard membrane. Change pads every 200' (61 m).
- 5. When using the QuickScrubber or the QuickScrubber Plus pad and handle, factory seams require parallel as well as perpendicular application motions along the factory seam. Apply sufficient pressure on the QuickScrubber Plus pad and handle during application so the pad holder flattens to allow the total surface of the pad to contact with the RubberGard membrane.
- Allow the surfaces to dry according to the touch-push test (usually less than 10 minutes)



- before applying QuickSeam products or Splice Adhesive SA-1065.
- Complete seaming procedures per Firestone's Specifications and Details.
- Contact your Firestone Technical Coordinator at 1-800-428-4511 for specific application information.

### COVERAGE RATE:

200 - 250 square feet per gallon (4.91 - 6.14 square meter per liter) for a one side application; 100-125 square feet per gallon (2.45 - 3.07 square meter per liter) for a two side application.

Coverage rates per gallon for various QuickSeam products are as follows: (Note: 1 gal = 3.78 l) 3" QuickSeam Tape: 375-450 ft (114-137 m)/gal 6" QuickSeam Tape: 180-225 ft (55-68 m) /gal 7" QuickSeam Tape: 150-200 ft (46-61 m)/gal 6" QuickSeam Batten Cover: 300-375 ft (91-114 m)/ gal 5" QuickSeam Flashing: 340-400 ft (104-122 m)/ gal

### PACKAGING:

QuickPrime Plus is available in:

1-quart cans (.95 liter) can

1-gallon (3.78 liter) pail

3-gallon (11.4 liter) pail

 Containers:
 Weight: lb / kg

 12 1-quart cans / carton
 23 / 10.45

 600 1-quart cans (50 ctns) / pallet
 1150 / 522.7

4 1-gallon pails / carton 32 / 14.5 216 1-gallon pails (54 ctns) / pallet 1728 / 785.5

75 3-gallon pails / pallet 1658.25 / 753.35

### SHELF LIFE:

- Shelf life of one year can be expected if stored in original container at temperatures between 60 °F (15.6 °C) and 80 °F (26.7 °C).
- Shelf life will be shortened if exposed to elevated temperatures.

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### QuickPrime™ Plus

### STORAGE:

- Store in original unopened cartons indoors at temperatures between 60 °F (15.6 °C) and 80 °F (26.7 °C).
- Do not store on the roof in direct sunlight or at temperatures above 100 °F (37.78 °C).
- When exposed to lower temperatures, restore to 60 °F (15.6 °C) and 80 °F (26.7 °C) prior to use.

### PRECAUTIONARY DATA:

- 1. Thinning is not allowed.
- Flammable. Keep away from fires (open flame) and other possible ignition sources during storage and use. Do not smoke when using.
- 3. Use only in well-ventilated areas.
- Use of neoprene or nitrile gloves and eye protection with side shield is recommended.
- Use only in conjunction with QuickScrubber or QuickScrubber Plus. Do not apply with rollers, brushes or rags.
- 6. Mix thoroughly before and during use.
- 7. Refer to Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS).

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### PHYSICAL PROPERTIES:

Property Minimum Performance
Base: Synthetic Rubber Polymers

Color: Translucent Gray Solvents: Heptane, Toluene Percent Solids: 16 - 18%

Viscosity: Very thin, free flowing Weight: 6.62 lb/gal (0.79 kg/L)

(nominal) Specific Gravity: 0.793 Nominal (H<sub>2</sub>O = 1)

Flash Point: 0.0 °F (-17.8 °C) V.O.C. Content: Not to exceed 5.55 lb/gal

(664 g/L)

### LEED INFORMATION:

Post Consumer Recycled Content: 0% Post Industrial Recycled Content: 0%

Manufacturing Location: South Bend, IN





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# **Mechanical Installation Insert**

# **Xunlight Photovoltaic Laminates with TPO and EPDM Membrane Roof Technologies**



### Introduction

Xunlight Corporation is a manufacturer of flexible, lightweight and environmentally safe thin-film silicon solar laminates. Due to the unique composition of our advanced thin-film applications, our laminates can be utilized in a wide-variety of ways. The combination of flexible and lightweight allows for the implementation of small- to large-scale energy generation strategies for a variety of applications. Xunlight laminates are designed to be versatile long-lasting solar laminates which can be installed directly onto commercial TPO and EPDM membrane roofs.

Several other installation methods for terrestrial, commercial, and residential rooftops applications are available, Please visit WWW.Xunlight.com for more information.

### **DISCLAIMER of LIABILITY**

Prior to installation you must first read Xunlight's catalog #IM1 for general safety and liability information.

Please contact Applications prior to starting the installation (See cover page for contact information)

This catalog is for your reference only, please visit www.xunlight.com for the latest version of this and all other Xunlight product catalogs prior to installation.

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### • Safety Warnings

- Xunlight laminates are designed for terrestrial, commercial, and industrial rooftop applications. The installation instructions are related specifically for the use of Xunlight laminates in conjunction with TPO and EPDM membrane commercial roofs with pitches less than or equal to ½ inch per foot. This manual does not apply to installations on roofs with slopes greater than ½ inch per foot. Contact Xunlight for such installations.
- Do not puncture, cut, or alter the Xunlight laminate in any way. Doing so could result in electrical shock, may cause a fire, and will void the warranty, and all Xunlight Safety Certifications for this product will be invalidated. There are no field serviceable components, or components that can be field altered in a Xunlight laminate.

### **Installation Instructions.**

These installation instructions are specifically for use of Xunlight laminates in conjunction with TPO and EPDM membrane commercial roofs with pitches less than or equal to ½ inch per foot. Before starting any installation, review the label supplied on each laminate for electrical specifications, system design specifications and warnings or cautions.

Installation Considerations -- Before installing the Xunlight laminates a site survey should be performed. Sites should be selected in areas providing full direct sunlight, especially during the middle of the day, when the sun is the highest. An area large enough for the array must be identified. It should be flat, clean, well drained, and free of shadows. A minimum pitch of ¼ inch per foot is required to prevent ponding. Areas showing evidence of previous ponding should be repaired prior to installation of the laminate. Due to the many different types of roofing materials and designs there are several variations to applying the Xunlight laminates to the roofing material. This guide will cover the general installation techniques for the most common types of installations. However please contact a local professional engineer to perform a wind uplift study prior to the installation so a detailed plan can be established to ensure the proper installation technique and mounting arrangement is used.

A rooftop system installation will typically include wire-ways, conduits, combiner boxes, over current protection devices, and inverters. The specification and installation of these system components are not covered in this document. A qualified professional, NABCEP certified installer or licensed electrician should design and install Xunlight laminate systems in accordance with all national and local codes and regulations. Do not design or install a system that exceeds the fuse, voltage, or current ratings on the label of a Xunlight laminate.

Laminate Handling -- Care should be taken while handling the Xunlight laminates. A cardboard core is provided in the box of laminates and it is an essential tool in removing and transporting the laminate to the installation position. To remove a laminate turn core and wrap the laminate around the core while turning the core inside the box. Two installers should then pull the core with the laminate wrapped around it out of the box; at least one installer should be holding the short edge of the laminate to the core so that it does not unroll prematurely. Carry the laminate on the core to its installation position.

# **Installation Update 30<sup>th</sup> August 2011** A revised taping pattern for the XR series laminates is currently being documented new taping pattern seen below.

**Required Tools** -- Below is a list of the required tools to install the entire line of Xunlight laminates on TPO and EPDM roofs.

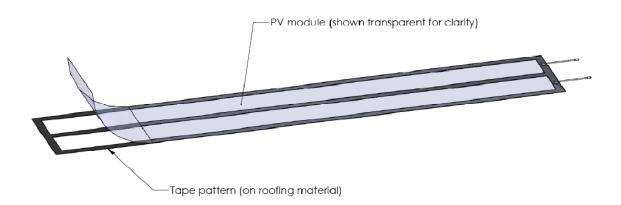


### **Tools needed:**

- a. Chalk line
- b. Gloves
- c. Scissors
- d. Tape measures
- e. Manufacturer Recommended primer applicator
- f. Razor knife
- g. Firestone Quick Prime Plus (for Xunlight laminates)
- h. ADCO Heliobond PVA600BT
- i. Isopropanol, rags
- j. Indelible markers
- k. Rubber roller
- 1. Manufacture Recommended cover tape (2" or wider)
- m. Cardboard or Foam Core for handling modules (provided by Xunlight with large shipments)

### Mechanical Installation Layout and Prep work --

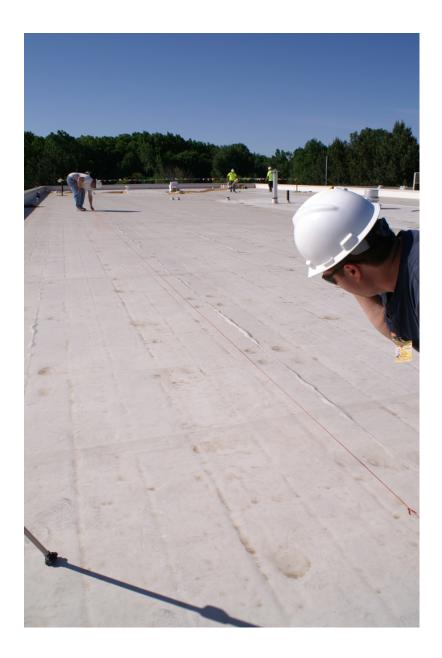
The mechanical means for securing the laminate to the roof is the application of 4 inch wide ADCO Heliobond PVA 600BT seam tape strips adhered to the roofing membrane. However each installation site is unique and should have a wind uplift study included in the site survey. The hold strength of seam tape is available upon request. Below is an illustration of a typical tape layout. The tapes should extend past the laminate slightly. This ensures that the edge of the laminate will not extend past the edge of the tape during the installation process. The temperature must be above 50°F for the tape to adhere properly. XR36 modules are shown in this manual, but the steps are similar for all XR series products. For XRU, XRS and XRN products, the central stripe of tape may be omitted; tape is only needed under the perimeter of the module.



Once the locations of the laminates and corresponding tape is determined snap chalk lines according to the tape layout requirements stated above. Clean the membrane roofing material, per the membrane manufacturer's current technical specifications for the membrane type (TPO or EPDM), where the tape will be placed. Allow the roof to dry completely, apply the manufacturers recommended primer to the cleaned areas of the roof. Allow the primer adequate time to cure. It may be necessary to re-snap chalk lines prior to applying the tape to the roof. Step by step detailed instructions follow.

### **Step by Step Laminate Installation Instructions**

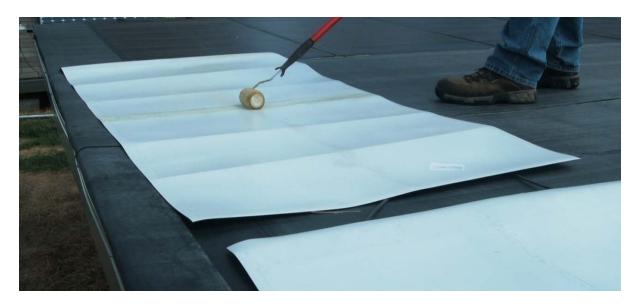
1. Measure key reference points where tape will be applied and mark with indelible marker. Snap chalk lines at reference points to guide the installation of the laminates.



2. Clean area where adhesive tape is to be installed. Use isopropanol or membrane manufacturer's recommended cleaning solution for difficult to remove materials.



3. Apply primer (Firestone Quick Prime Plus) to the laminates. The primer on the laminates must correspond to the tape pattern of the roofing membrane.



- 4. Apply the roofing manufacturers recommended Primer to the roof membrane using the manufacturers recommended applicator in the appropriate configuration using the chalk lines as a guide. The location of the primer must correspond with the primer applied to the laminates
- 5. Once the primer has set up install the adhesive tape to the primed locations of the roof membrane using your chalk lines as a guide. Apply the tape the full length of the array and cut the tape to length. Use the rubberized roller to ensure proper adhesion to the roof.



Firestone QuickPrime Plus Primer

6. Now you are ready to install the laminates. With the tape's release film still applied, use the cardboard core provided to carefully unroll the laminate into its approximate position. Using the chalk lines as guides, position the laminate into its final position.





7. Pull the tape's release film on the junction box end of the laminate. Press the laminate into the tape to adhere the laminate to the roof. This will ensure the laminate does not get moved from its proper position for the remainder of the steps.



8. Starting from the non adhered end of the laminate roll the laminate back on to the cardboard core exposing the remainder of the tapes. Peel away the tape's release films as you unroll the laminate off of the cardboard core. Keep a constant tension on the core as you unroll the laminate to ensure the laminates lay flat.









9. Press the adhesive tape that is under the installed laminate using the rubberized roller. Use between 5 and 10 pounds of pressure. This will create the proper adhesion between the laminate and the tape.

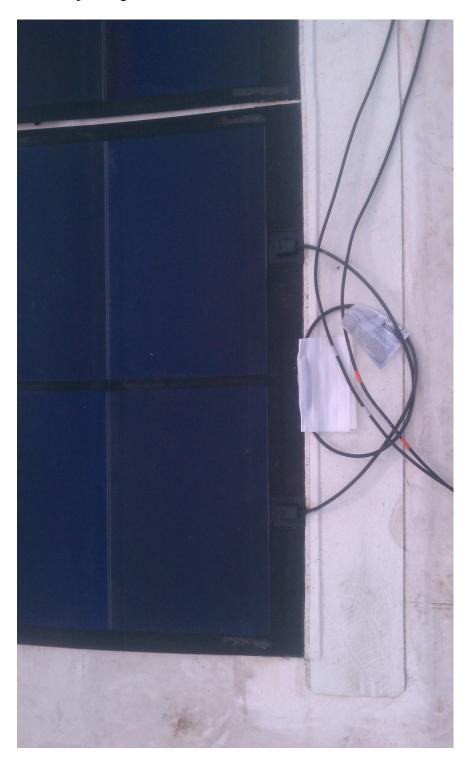


10. Continue installing the laminates in this fashion until the array is completed.





11. Clean and prime the roofing material according to the manufactures specifications. Apply the roofing manufacturers recommended cover tape to the header and footer of the array. This is recommended to prevent water bucking. Additional tape may also be recommended on the long edges of the modules depending on installation.



**Laminate Interconnection** – Xunlight laminates are supplied with factory installed Tyco SOLARLOK connectors. The factory installed wires are 12 AWG [4 mm<sup>2</sup>] copper UL-listed PV-wire which is rated for 90°C. Series strings of laminates may be directly attached together using these connectors.

At the ends of series strings, Tyco SOLARLOK connectors should be attached to USE-2 or PV-Wire that has been certified by Tyco to conform to the requirements of UL-1703 in combination with these connectors. At the publication date of this manual, the instructions for field wiring with Tyco connectors is provided in Tyco Technical Bulletin 1654268-1, Issued 05-2007. The Installer should always acquire a new copy of this document from <a href="https://www.tycoelectronics.com">www.tycoelectronics.com</a> for each installation. The Tyco Part Number for the male connector is 6-1394461-2. The Tyco Part Number for the female connector is 1394462-3. SOLARLOK assemblies are not designed to be used as laminate disconnects. National and local codes applying to wire size and selection should be observed and the correct tools and crimp contacts should be utilized according to the Tyco Field Application Manual.

Do not cut off the factory supplied connectors to field wire the laminates. This will void the Warranty and all Xunlight Safety Certifications for this product will be invalidated.

### **Laminate Disconnect and Removal**

In the event that a Xunlight laminate needs to be removed or replaced use the following procedures. A certified electrician is required for the electrical servicing of the system.

- 1. Use shut down procedure provided in the electrical system documentation.
- 2. Make sure your shoes are clean and free of debris.
- 3. If it is necessary to walk on the laminates use a high voltage rubber mat.
- 4. Cover adjacent laminates with an opaque material such as cardboard
- 5. Unplug the necessary connectors.
- 6. Short out laminate to be removed and adjacent laminates
- 7. Using a heat gun, heat the top of the laminate above the adhered area use a metal scraper placed between the top of the adhesive tape and the back sheet of the laminate and while moderately pulling on the laminate use the scraper to help release the laminate from the tape, use the heat gun to melt the adhesive while pulling.
- 8. To install a new laminate follow the installation steps in this insert.

### 9. Specifications and Support Documents



### PVA 600BT PV Module Installation Tape Product Data Sheet

Description:

PVA 600BT is an extruded black rubber adhesive tape designed to provide high strength, watertight attachment of PV modules and PV pre-assemblies to single ply EPDM, TPO and metal roofing panels. It is also suitable for use on properly prepared granulated and non-granulated modified bitumen roofing. PVA 600BT is soft and tacky for quick grab to roof membranes,

PVA 600BT is soft and tacky for quick grab to roof membranes, yet possesses high initial strength at 158°F (70°C). PVA 600BT also exhibits excellent adhesion to polar and non-polar substrates such as glass, metals, wood, concrete, masonry and plastics.

Features	Benefits
UL and FM Approved	Code Approvals
Environmentally Safe	No VOC's
Lowers Labor Costs	Decreases Application Time
Safety Benefits	No Solvents or Torch Needed
Excellent Tack	Ouick Stick

### Basic Use:

For adhering flexible PV modules and PV pre-assemblies to EPDM and TPO membrane roofing.

### Application Instructions:

Refer to ADCO Products, Inc. application procedures.

### Limitations:

Talc, dust, oil, ice, snow or wet conditions inhibit good adhesion. Clean and dry surfaces are a necessity.

### Health & Safety:

Users must follow individual product data sheet and Material Safety Data Sheets (M.S.D.S.) for health and safety precautions. Always use protective eyewear.

### Availability/Cost:

Availability and cost can be obtained from your local ADCO Products, Inc. representative or distributor.

### PVA 600BT

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DESCRIPT.	Typical Value:	
Color	Black	Visual
Permeability	0.6 Perm-Mil	Is ASTM E 96
Hardness	110 dmm	ASTM D 21
Ash Content	16%	ASTM D 29
Brittleness Temperature	-50°F	ASTM D 74
Solids Content	98%	ASTM C 68
Tensile Adhesive Strength	35 psi (alum.	) ASTM C 90
Tensile Strength (tape)	50 psi min.	ASTM D 41
Elongation (tape)	>1000%	ASTM D 41
Specific Gravity	0.97	ASTM D 71
Peel Strength on Mod-Bit Shear Strength on Mod-Bit Peel Strength on PVDF Co	oated Metal	5 pli @ 70°F 30 psi @ 70°F 12 pli @ 70°F 15 psi @ 70°F
Shear Strength on PVDF C	15	
Application Propertie		ASTM D 2250
Application Propertie Service Temperature	-40°F to 250°F	ASTM D 3359
Application Propertie Service Temperature Application Temp.:	-40°F to 250°F 40°F to 120°F	ASTM C 603
Application Propertie Service Temperature Application Temp.: Storage Temperature:	-40°F to 250°F 40°F to 120°F 68°F to 120°F	ASTM C 603 ASTM D 1337
Application Propertie	-40°F to 250°F 40°F to 120°F 68°F to 120°F Two Years	ASTM C 603 ASTM D 1337 ASTM D 1337

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### PVA 600BT TAPE APPLICATION GUIDE

### 1. Substrate Evaluation

PVA 600BT adhesive is suitable for bonding PV modules to a variety of roofing substrates, including TPO, EPDM modified bitumen and metals. The age and condition of the roofing material must be evaluated prior to installation. The roofing material must not exhibit any peeling, cracking, rust, leaks or other potential failures. If it does the roof must be repaired or replaced prior to placing the PV modules. Thorough evaluation is recommended when bonding to any questionable surface. Adequate roof drainage is necessary. Avoid application to any area that exhibits ponding. Ponding leaves residues that are very hard to remove. These residues must be removed with cleaners and vigorous scrubbing to ensure adequate bonding. If cleaning damages the roof material it must be repaired and brought up to the original manufacturer's specifications. A primer for use in areas that show excessive soiling after thorough cleaning may be necessary to facilitate proper bonding and is available from ADCO Products.

### 2. Preparation of Substrate

All substrates must be dry and free of dirt, oils, soot, leaves and other contamination. Avoid ponding situations and assure adequate drainage.

### TPO, EPDM, Coated and Uncoated Metals:

The substrate to be bonded should be cleaned with an appropriate solvent, preferably IPA (Isopropanol) no more that 30 minutes prior to bonding of PVA 600BT adhesive backed part. To ensure removal of all contaminants without leaving any residue, use Scotch-Brite™ pad followed by a clean, lint-free wiping cloth or disposable wipe (never recycled rags). Other solvents such as VM&P naphtha, heptane or methanol may be suitable for cleaning various substrates after thorough evaluation. The substrate must be thoroughly dry through evaporation of the solvent with radiant heat, hot air dryers or with time before bonding PVA 600BT adhesive backed parts. Ensure optimum substrate temperature, never below 40°F. (5°C) at application time. Assure application temperature of 40°F to 120°F (5°C to 50°C).

### Modified Bitumen:

Lightly broom the surface to remove any loose aggregate being careful not to remove aggregate still bound to the surface. A leaf blower can be used to remove the loosened aggregate. Do not try to clean the substrate with solvents or apply any primer. If there is any question regarding the integrity of the roof membrane, overcoat the modified bitumen with a membrane supplier approved roof coating. Allow the coating to dry completely before applying the PV modules. Consult the coating manufacturer for proper dry times.

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## **TECHNICAL BULLETIN**

# HelioBond® PVA 600BT Compatible Substrates for HelioBond® PVA 600BT

As part of ADCO's ongoing testing and qualification process, new substrates are continuously being tested to the most stringent standards to ensure that only the highest performance materials are put into service.

ADCO's testing program combines the most stringent test protocols from the roofing industry with performance requirements needed for the solar industry as outlined by UL and IEC for PV construction and certification. By doing so, ADCO can assure PV assemblers and installers that their installations will be secure even under the harshest conditions.

Following is a list of materials that have been tested and are shown to be compatible with HelioBond® PVA 600BT.

### **Roofing Materials**

Carlisle TPO Firestone TPO GAF TPO Stevens TPO Johns-Manville TPO

Carlisle EPDM Firestone EPDM

Johns-Manville Granulated Mod-Bit Garland Smooth Mod-Bit Garland Granulated Mod-Bit Garland Coated/Granulated Mod-Bit

Eternalastic 911 (Tropical Asphalt) Siplast PC-227 (Siplast)

PVDF coated steel Galvaneal Galvalume Plus

### **PV Materials**

LPL Backsheet PVDF film (Kynar) Tefzel Glass

### J-Box Materials

Noryl (500-701 black) Lexan (SE1-GFN2)

### Other Materials

Stainless Steel Sealed concrete Anodized and mill finish aluminum

Additional materials are constantly being tested and added to the list of materials.

Contact your ADCO representative for the latest update.

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### QuickPrime™ Plus

### **Firestone Item Number:**

1- Quart: W56RAC1695 1- Gallon: W563587041 3- Gallon: W563587044

### DESCRIPTION:

QuickPrime Plus is designed to clean and prime RubberGard™ EPDM membrane prior to application of QuickSeam™ products where required by Firestone Specifications and Details.

QuickPrime Plus must be applied with a QuickScrubber™ or QuickScrubber Plus pad and handle when preparing RubberGard membrane to receive QuickSeam Tape products. It may also be used to clean membrane prior to the application of Firestone Splice Adhesive (SA-1065).

### METHOD OF APPLICATION:

- Splice surfaces must be clean, dry, and free of foreign materials and excess dusting agent. Clean with broom or rags to remove contaminates.
- Stir QuickSeam Plus thoroughly before and during use. Apply QuickPrime Plus at the rate of 200 - 250 square feet per gallon (4.91 -6.14 square meters per liter) per side to the splicing surfaces using the QuickScrubber or QuickScrubber Plus pad and handle.
- Use back and forth strokes with heavy pressure along the length of the splicing area, until membrane surfaces become dark gray in color with no streaking or puddling.
- Additional scrubbing is required at factory seams, areas of excess dusting agent, or other contaminated areas of the RubberGard membrane. Change pads every 200' (61 m).
- 5. When using the QuickScrubber or the QuickScrubber Plus pad and handle, factory seams require parallel as well as perpendicular application motions along the factory seam. Apply sufficient pressure on the QuickScrubber Plus pad and handle during application so the pad holder flattens to allow the total surface of the pad to contact with the RubberGard membrane.
- Allow the surfaces to dry according to the touch-push test (usually less than 10 minutes)



- before applying QuickSeam products or Splice Adhesive SA-1065.
- Complete seaming procedures per Firestone's Specifications and Details.
- Contact your Firestone Technical Coordinator at 1-800-428-4511 for specific application information.

### COVERAGE RATE:

200 - 250 square feet per gallon (4.91 - 6.14 square meter per liter) for a one side application; 100-125 square feet per gallon (2.45 - 3.07 square meter per liter) for a two side application.

Coverage rates per gallon for various QuickSeam products are as follows: (Note: 1 gal = 3.78 l) 3" QuickSeam Tape: 375-450 ft (114-137 m)/gal 6" QuickSeam Tape: 180-225 ft (55-68 m) /gal 7" QuickSeam Tape: 150-200 ft (46-61 m)/gal 6" QuickSeam Batten Cover: 300-375 ft (91-114 m)/ gal 5" QuickSeam Flashing: 340-400 ft (104-122 m)/ gal

### PACKAGING:

QuickPrime Plus is available in: 1-quart cans (.95 liter) can 1-gallon (3.78 liter) pail 3-gallon (11.4 liter) pail

 Containers:
 Weight: lb / kg

 12 1-quart cans / carton
 23 / 10.45

 600 1-quart cans (50 ctns) / pallet
 1150 / 522.7

4 1-gallon pails / carton 32 / 14.5 216 1-gallon pails (54 ctns) / pallet 1728 / 785.5 75 3-gallon pails / pallet 1658.25 / 753.35

### SHELF LIFE:

- Shelf life of one year can be expected if stored in original container at temperatures between 60 °F (15.6 °C) and 80 °F (26.7 °C).
- Shelf life will be shortened if exposed to elevated temperatures.

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