

### Product Data Sheet (PDS):

GacoFlex™ DeckTape

Revised: 09/2022

# GACOFLEX™ DECKTAPE REINFORCING POLYESTER SEAM TAPE

#### A. PRODUCT DESCRIPTION:

Parchment-like texture tape made of fusion-bonded polyester fibers laid in random orientation. It exhibits a high tensile strength, good elongation and a low profile that is suitable for numerous decking applications.

#### **B. RECOMMENDED USE:**

Enhances strength and flexibility to seams, joints, small cracks, vents, drains and flashing. This product can also be used for flashing at changes of plane; however, installation into inside corners requires special care – contact technical services if the intended application involves difficult-to-access areas or multiple dissimilar materials.

#### C. PACKAGED PRODUCT DATA\*:

PROPERTY	CHARACTERIZATION / MEASURED VALUE
COLOR	White
PACKAGING	4 in (100 mm) wide, 120 ft (36.5 m) per roll
THICKNESS	5 Mil (0.13 mm)
STORAGE	Store in a cool, dry place.

#### D. APPLIED PRODUCT DATA\*:

PROPERTY	CHARACTERIZATION / MEASURED VALUE		
ADHESION <sup>2</sup>	<sup>2</sup> Same as that of primer used.		
ELONGATION	60 %		ASTM D412-68
TENSILE	TRANSVERSE:	400 psi (2.7 MPa)	- ASTM D412-68
	LONGITUDINAL:	800 psi (5.5 MPa)	
SOLVENT SWELL	No measurable difference observed.		
HEAT SHRINKAGE	None after six (6) months at 150 °F (65 °C).		

#### E. INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS:

INSTALL STEP	INSTRUCTIONS
1. PREPARATION	Make sure the substrate is completely clean and dry. Prepare all joints, fastener indentations, cracks and transition areas with GacoFlex GacoDeckFill according to label instructions. Once the GacoFlex GacoDeckFill is fully cured, tape all seams, joints, cracks, flashings and changes of plane with GacoFlex DeckTape.
2. APPLICATION	Working in small sections, apply a 5 – 6 in (127 – 152 mm) wide stripe of GacoFlex GacoDeck TopCoat. Cut the GacoFlex DeckTape to desired length, making all cuts with scissors. While coating is still wet, center the strip of GacoFlex DeckTape over the seams, joints, cracks and flashing. Embed smoothly into the coating. Immediately brush another layer of

## 2. APPLICATION (Continued...)

coating over the GacoFlex DeckTape, smoothing out any wrinkles with a brush. Verify the GacoFlex DeckTape is completely covered with GacoFlex GacoDeck TopCoat. If more than one piece of tape is used, overlap any adjoining pieces by a minimum of ½ in (12 mm). Allow the surface to dry. Inspect tape when coating is dry or nearly dry, to ensure the tape is bonded to substrate and completely smooth. Press down any fish mouths or wrinkles, cutting and re-bonding if necessary.

Once dry, inspect GacoFlex DeckTape for fish mouth cavities, wrinkles, bare spots and other defects, and repair as needed. For a seamless finish, lightly sand the edges of the coated tape with medium grit sandpaper using a palm sander or sanding block before applying the first top coat. To prevent dirt pick-up, do not leave GacoFlex DeckTape exposed; coat with GacoFlex TopCoat as soon as it is applied. If the GacoFlex TopCoat will terminate where there is no natural break, use Painter's Tape to create a clean, sharp edge.

<sup>\*</sup> For specific Safety and Health information please refer to the appropriate Safety Data Sheet that is associated with this product.