EnergyShield® Products Compliance as a Water-Resistive Barrier

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Atlas EnergyShield[®] Continuous Wall Insulation Products are polyisocyanurate foam plastic insulation sheathing with hydrophobic closed-cell structure and durable facers. When installed with approved joint sealing components, they offer added protection as a code compliant water-resistive barrier (WRB) system in an exterior wall assembly.

The International Building Code (IBC) and International Residential Code (IRC) identify provisions for use of foam plastic insulation as a WRB in the following sections¹:

- IBC Section 1402.2 Water-resistance.
- IBC Section 1403.2 Water-resistive barriers.
- IBC Section 104.11 Alternative materials, design and methods of construction and equipment.
- IRC Section R703.2 Water-resistive barrier.
- IRC Section R703.1.1 Water-resistance.
- IRC Section R104.11 Alternative materials, design and methods of construction and equipment.

ICC Evaluation Service (ICC-ES) has established requirements outlined in Acceptance Criteria (AC) 71, "Foam Plastic Sheathing Panels Used as Water-Resistive Barriers," that recognizes foam plastic insulation and associated joint-sealing treatments and methods for compliance as an approved alternative material to a traditional sheet- or fluid-applied WRB.

The following Atlas EnergyShield Products installed with a joint-sealing treatment have been successfully evaluated in accordance with AC71 by an accredited third party testing facility as referenced in DrJ TER 2202-01 and meet the requirements prescribed in the current IBC and IRC. The water-resistive barrier system is defined by combining an EnergyShield product listed in Table 1 with an approved joint sealing product listed in Table 2, and must be installed in accordance with written instructions per product manufacturer(s) and DrJ TER 2202-01.

TABLE 1. Atlas Foam Plastic Insulation Polyiso Products				
EnergyShield [®]	EnergyShield [®] CGF	EnergyShield [®] Pro	EnergyShield [®] CGF Pro	EnergyShield® XR

TABLE 2. Approved Joint Sealing Products ²			
Manufacturer	Brand Name		
	All Weather Flashing Tape 8067		
	Venture Tape™ Duct Tape 1599B		
3M	Venture Tape™ Aluminum Foil Tape 1519CW		
	Venture Tape™ Aluminum Foil Tape 1520CW		
	Venture Tape™ Aluminum Foil Tape 1521CW		
Carlisle	Barribond HP Liquid Flashing		
DuPont	Weathermate [™] Construction Tape		
	Perm-A-Barrier [®] Aluminum Flashing		
COD Applied Technologies	Perm-A-Barrier® Detail Membrane		
GCP Applied Technologies	Perm-A-Barrier® Liquid Flashing		
	Perm-A-Barrier® Wall Flashing		
Henry	Blueskin® Butyl Flash		
neniy	Blueskin [®] SA		
	ZIP System™ Flashing Tape		
Huber Engineered Woods	ZIP System ¹¹⁴ Stretch Tape		
	ZIP System™ Liquid Flash		
IPG	UL723 Cold Weather Aluminum Foil Tape		
	Super Stick Building Tape®		
Duata ata Wucan®	Protecto Seal 45 Butyl		
Protecto Wrap®	BT20XL Butyl Window & Door Sealing Tape		
	BT25XL Window & Door Sealing Tape		
Siga	Wigluv®		
oiga	Wigluv® Black		
Siplast	WALLcontrol [™] STPE Liquid Flashing		
Sto	RapidGuard™ Liquid		
Tremco	Dymonic® 100		
Universal Tape	UT-40 Seam Sealing Tape		

¹ Referenced sections are from the 2021 version of the codes and standards. This material and system of construction complies with prior versions of the referenced codes and standards as referenced therein.
² The materials noted are approved for sealing joints to create a code compliant WRB system when installed accordingly with EnergyShield Products. Other compatible joint sealing materials, and materials used to flash through wall penetrations and fenestration, may be used at the designer's sole discretion and installed in accordance with all recommendations and requirements of respective manufacturers. This information is subject to revision without notice. It is the user's responsibility to confirm product(s) are still applicable and stated within TB-15 and TER 2202-01 at the time of installation. All trademarks are the property of their respective owners.



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