

# **INSTALLATION GUIDE**



## INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

Surfaces to receive membrane must be dry, clean, firm, free of bond-inhibiting agents, such as dust, mud, oils, curing compounds or any other substances that might prevent placement and bonding of membrane.

Determine appropriate widths and lengths of DensDefy<sup>™</sup> Transition Membrane prior to cutting. DensDefy<sup>™</sup> Transition Membrane may be cut with scissors or a sharp utility knife. Use of longest lengths possible will minimize overlaps. For longer lengths, additional applicators may help avoid wrinkles or fishmouths.

## Transitions from Sheathing to Foundation, or from Sheathing to Dissimilar Materials



- 1. Choose the appropriate DensDefy<sup>™</sup> Transition Membrane width to achieve a 2-in. (50 mm) minimum overlap on both sides of the transition. Pre-cut manageable lengths and place over the center of the transition area.
  - Note: At corners or changes in plane, creasing the membrane prior to placing can help align the membrane.
- 2. Remove release paper from the DensDefy™ Transition Membrane and press in place following the contour of the substrate, avoiding wrinkles and fishmouths.
- Use a J roller to apply even pressure to fully adhere the membrane and achieve a smooth and wrinkle free surface.
- Apply DensDefy<sup>™</sup> Liquid Flashing over edges of DensDefy<sup>™</sup> Transition Membrane.
- 5. With a straight edge tool, spread DensDefy™ Liquid Flashing evenly over the membrane edge. Cover a minimum of 1-in. over the edge of the membrane and 1-in. over the adjacent material. Apply at a rate to achieve a minimum 16 wet mil thickness over the membrane edge, leaving no exposed membrane edge.

#### Transitions at Floor Line Conditions or Vertical/Horizontal Expansion Joints





- 1. For gaps greater than  $\frac{1}{2}$ " and less than 1", place pre cut lengths over the center of the transition area. Loop the membrane in a concave or convex fashion to accommodate potential movement. Use bond breaker material to ensure membrane does not adhere to surfaces inside the expansion joint. Maintain a minimum 2" (50mm) overlap on both sides of the joint.
- 2. Use a J roller to apply even pressure to fully adhere the membrane and achieve a smooth and wrinkle free surface.
- Apply DensDefy<sup>™</sup> Liquid Flashing over all edges of DensDefy<sup>™</sup>
   Transition Membrane.
- 4. With a straight edge tool, spread DensDefy™ Liquid Flashing evenly over the membrane edge. Cover a minimum of 1-in. over the edge of the membrane and 1-in. over the adjacent material. Apply at a rate to achieve a minimum 16 wet mil thickness over the membrane edge, leaving no exposed membrane edge.

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#### **Protection at Sill of Rough Opening**







- As a best practice, apply a bead of DensDefy<sup>™</sup> Liquid Flashing at the rough opening sill corners and allow to cure.
- **2.** Apply bowtie reinforcement pieces of DensDefy<sup>™</sup> Transition Membrane at rough opening sill corners.
- 3. Apply pre-cut lengths to sill, covering a minimum of 2 inches of the sheathing adjacent to the opening and wrap a minimum of 4 inches up rough opening jambs.
- 4. Use a J roller to apply even pressure to fully adhere the membrane and achieve a smooth and wrinkle free surface.
- Apply DensDefy<sup>™</sup> Liquid Flashing over all edges of DensDefy<sup>™</sup>
   Transition Membrane.
- 6. With a straight edge tool, spread DensDefy™ Liquid Flashing evenly over the membrane edge. Cover a minimum of 1-in. over the edge of the membrane and 1-in. over the adjacent material (minimum 16 wet mil thickness).
- 7. Apply DensDefy™ Liquid Flashing over the remaining width of the opening jambs, header and adjacent sheathing.
- **8.** Apply DensDefy<sup>™</sup> Liquid Flashing over the DensElement® Sheathing adjacent to the jambs and header in a zig-zag or ribbon pattern. Cover a minimum of 2-in. of the sheathing surface adjacent to the opening.
- 9. With a straight edge tool, spread DensDefy™ Liquid Flashing evenly over the membrane edge. Cover a minimum of 1-in. over the edge of the membrane and 1-in. over the adjacent material. Apply at a rate to achieve a minimum 16 wet mil thickness over the membrane edge, leaving no exposed membrane edge.

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- **4.** Apply pre-cut lengths along rough opening jambs. Overlap, in a shingle lap fashion a minimum 2" (50 mm) onto sill protection.
- **5.** Apply pre-cut lengths along rough opening header. Overlap, in a shingle lap fashion a minimum 2" (50 mm) onto jamb protection.
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