CEMtobent® DS Double Seal
Sealing System

Product
CEMtobent lining system replaces all conventional waterproofing methods used in civil engineering, such as bituminous materials, coatings and synthetic foils of all kinds. The innovative manufacturing technology differentiates CEMtobent Lining System from similar products, which also use PE and bentonite as waterproofing agents. CEMtobent DS is a unique bentonite membrane especially created for structural waterproofing!

CEMtobent DS
CEMtobent DS is a waterproofing system, which consists of two complementary components:
- the primary liner: a high-quality (GCL) geocomposite clay liner
- the secondary liner: a 3D composite (PE honeycomb with a unique cell structure where the swelling sodium bentonite powder is encapsulated.

Once backfilled, CEMtobent hydrates and forms a monolithic waterproofing membrane. CEMtobent can be installed in any weather condition to green concrete, and most importantly, has proven effective on both new and remedial waterproofing projects worldwide. CEMtobent works by forming a low permeability membrane upon contact with water. When wetted, unconfined bentonite can swell up to 8 - 12 times its dry volume.

When confined under pressure the swell is controlled, forming a dense, impervious waterproofing membrane. The swelling action of CEMtobent can seal small concrete cracks caused by ground settlement, concrete shrinkage, or seismic action; problems over which there is normally no control. CEMtobent forms a mechanical bond to concrete when the geotextile are encapsulated into the surface of poured-in-place concrete.

CEMtobent DS is tested up to 5 bar water pressure! **CEMtobent CS is absolutely radon tight as well as root-resistant!**

Advantages of CEMtobent
- **Tough and resistant**
  Higher puncture and tear resistance compared to conventional foils and coating.
- **Quick and easy to install**
  Without complicated welding equipment and specially trained staff, double lining in one step
- **High compound shear strength**
  The reinforcement fibre structure and thermally bonded cover layer form a tight composite
- **Can be installed in every season**
  Independently of temperature and weather condition
- **Quality control tests**
  To ensure consistent high quality
- **Self-healing properties**
  By the pressure of the swelling bentonite. Seals small cracks in the concrete by the pressure of the swelling bentonite

Function of the System

CEMtobent is a highly effective waterproofing composite of high strength geotextile and 5.00 kg of natural activated sodium bentonite powder per square metre. The high swelling, low permeable activated natural sodium bentonite is encapsulated between a non-woven and a 3-dimensional PE sheet. A patented mechanical connection interlocks the geotextiles together forming an extremely strong composite that maintains the equal coverage of bentonite, as well as, protects it from inclement weather and construction related damage.

CEMtobent has a unique rain-protection layer and has one open and one completely closed side. This feature allows the use of CEMtobent also in areas where fluent groundwater levels are expected.
No protection layer (protection concrete) has to be on top of the CEMtobent sealing liner. The construction concrete should have direct contact with the open side of the CEMtobent sealing liner.

**Application**

CEMtobent is designed for below-ground, vertical and horizontal, structural foundation surfaces. Typical applications include backfilled concrete walls, earth covered roofs, structural slabs, tunnels and property line construction. Property line construction applications include secant and contiguous piling, skin wall, metal sheet piling, shotcrete and stabilized earth retention walls. Applications may include structures under continuous or intermittent hydrostatic pressure.

Where contaminated groundwater or saltwater conditions exist, use CEMtobent CS-Plus with an extra PE-coated geotextile. This extra PE-coated geotextile is also a tested and approved root-resistant protection layer. In this particular case (contact with high concentrated saltwater) you have to pre-hydrate CEMtobent with regular tap water.

CEMtobent is resistant to: nitrates, phosphates, chlorides, sulfates, lime and organic solvents.

**Methods of Joint Adjacent Panels**

- Overlapping (approx. 15 cm) and adding bentonite in seam area – additionally fixed to the ground by nails.
- Overlapping (approx. 15 cm) and gluing with CEMstar adhesive.
- Overlapping (approx. 15 cm) and using the self-adhesive tape CEMtobent SealTape.

**Installation in general**

Install CEMtobent in strict accordance with the manufacturer’s installation guidelines. Use accessory products as recommended. Also use CEMtobent CS-Plus as required for contaminated conditions.

**Storage**

Keep CEMtobent and all accessory products dry, with adequate polyethylene or canvas cover for sides and top. Block up or pallet material to prevent contact with ground surface water.
### Technical Data CEMtobent DS

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*md = machine direction, cmd = cross machine direction

### Bentonite properties, sodium bentonite

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The above mentioned technical values are average values over the roll width. These data are guiding values achieved in laboratories and/or independent testing institutes. Our products can be subject to changes without prior notice.

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CEMtobent is not designed to waterproof expansion joints. Expansion joints require a properly engineered expansion joint sealant product. We suggest to use the CEMproof PVC waterstops for expansion joint! We suggest using CEMproof bentonite panels as an additional security for the sealing of expansion joint.

Place CEMtobent over the properly prepared concrete bedding / blinding concrete bed with the dark grey stripe (CEMtobent DS) or with the beige open side (CEMtobent CS-Plus) facing towards the structural concrete to be waterproofed! Overlap all adjoining edges a minimum of 100 mm and stagger ends to a minimum of 300 mm. Staple or nail edges together as required to prevent any displacement before and during concrete pouring.

Apply a layer of CEMproof bentonite powder/paste or better CEMtopaste Bentonite paste between overlaps.

CEMtobent should not extend into foundation bearing planes (i.e. pile caps, ground beams, pads, etc.) but should completely envelop them. Where this is not possible/desirable, CEMdicht 3 in 1 mortar (cementitious waterproofing by crystallisation) or similar can be used as a continuity ‘membrane’ through the bearing plane, to which CEMtobent can be sealed using a 100 mm lap, incorporating a 5x50 mm fillet of the CEMtopaste.

Cut CEMtobent to provide a snug fit around all applicable penetrations (pipes, piles, etc).

CEMtobent has to be placed with the open side facing towards the construction concrete which has to be sealed!

Detail all penetrations with a 40 mm fillet of CEMtopaste, special bentonite mastic or CEMproof paste (bentonite powder & water) around the penetration on top of the CEMtobent.
QUELLMAX is a simple and secure solution for all kinds of construction joint sealing! QUELLMAX Plus is available with a unique rain-protection coating!

CEMtobent can be applied to formed walls in two ways: Mechanically fastening to cast concrete just prior to backfilling (post-applied), or alternative by utilizing the adhesion properties of the CEMtobent (pre-applied on the formwork before concreting).

Honeycombing or other indentations should be repaired before installing any CEMtobent bentonite liner (post-applied / standard).

Fix CEMtobent by using approx. 1 up to 2 shot-fired 'softwasher' per square meter vertical wall installation (post-applied)!

For Tunnel Construction Sealing please see extra installation manual / installation guidelines!

CEMtobent must always be installed with the open side facing to the concrete which has to be sealed!

Expansion joints have to be sealed with an additional expansion joint waterstop!

Cold joints have to be sealed with QUELLMAX bentonite waterstop tape or with PREDIMAX injection hose system!

Terminate CEMtobent at DPC level! Apply a fillet of CEMtopaste, place CEMtobent using fitting rail, cover joint with CEMtopaste, and close joints with tape (SealTape). Extend DPC level at least 150 mm over this point.

 QUELLMAX Structural concrete, should be placed directly on top of CEMtobent CEMtobent, open side should face to the concrete Natural soil, well compacted

Where CEMtobent is terminated below DPC level you shall coat the wall with a waterproof coating at least to DPC level.
System Description
CEMtobent is recommended for use under structural reinforced concrete 250 mm thick or greater. Concrete should be well compacted and of the highest quality, the use of well-compacted concrete is recommended. Please contact our Technical Department for further information.

Surface Preparation
The surface must be properly prepared before CEMtobent is installed. Honeycombing or other indentations should be repaired. Detail all penetration etc. as per method statement. Form-tie holes should be detailed with a stripe of CEMswell hydrophilic rubber (Ø 23 mm) inserted into the centre of the hole and covered with a minimum of 80 mm non-shrink grout.

DPC Level
CEMtobent is designed for below ground structural waterproofing and should not extent above DPC level. We recommend Soil Testing should be carried out before choosing waterproofing system i.e., CS or DS and that Site Groundwater should be controlled before and during application of membrane and until concrete is fully cured. The following are our preferred application methods to ensure a watertight seal at this point.

If the CEMtobent is to terminate close to the DPC level:
Apply a fillet of CEMtopaste to the wall, place CEMtobent over this fillet by using a fitting-rail, fix into position with shot-fired fixings, close the joint with a layer of SealTape or CEMflex-Elasto-Tape. CEMdicht 3 in 1 (cementitious waterproofing by crystallisation) has to be used as a continuity "membrane" up to the DPC level. The DPC should overlap this coating by at least 150 mm.

If the CEMtobent is to be terminated some distance from the DPC level:
Apply a fillet of CEMtopaste to the wall, place CEMtobent over this fillet by using a fitting-rail, fix into position with shot-fired fixings, close the joint with a layer of SealTape or CEMflex Elasto-Tape. CEMdicht 3 in 1 (cementitious waterproofing by crystallisation) has to be used as a continuity "membrane" up to the DPC level. The DPC should overlap this coating by at least 150 mm.

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CEMproof® CEMtobent Bentonite Lining System in the Field

CEMtobent is a multifunctional bentonite-double sealing membrane to seal concrete construction!

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Mutual savings bank Bratislava, Slovakia