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### SECTION 07141

#### FLUID-APPLIED WATERPROOFING 12/03

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NOTE: This guide specification covers the requirements for fluid-applied elastomeric waterproofing systems for building decks over occupied space where membrane is protected of a separate wearing course.

Comments and suggestions on this guide specification are welcome and should be directed to the technical proponent of the specification. A listing of technical proponents, including their organization designation and telephone number, is on the Internet.

Recommended changes to a UFGS should be submitted as a Criteria Change Request (CCR).

Use of electronic communication is encouraged.

Brackets are used in the text to indicate designer choices or locations where text must be supplied by the designer.

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NOTE: This guide specification should not be used to specify waterproofing of structures subject to hydrostatic pressure. It includes the fluid-applied membrane, protection board, drainage layer, and insulation. It does not include structural deck, protection slab, or wearing course; these elements influence performance of the waterproofing system. See MIL-HDBK-1001/5 for design recommendations.

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Technical Reference: ASTM C 898, "High Solids Content, Cold Liquid-Applied Elastomeric Waterproofing Membrane with Separate Wearing Course." This document contains guidelines for design of the waterproofing system, and may be used as a source of supplementary information.

1. Slope: Provide slope toward drains (after deflections due to applied load and creep) of not less than one percent 10 millimeters (mm) per meter 1/8 inch per foot.

2. Wall Flashing: Extend wall flashing to at least 100 mm 4 inches above wearing surface and higher where exposure is more severe. If top of flashing is recessed under a concrete wall, counterflashing is not necessary. Metal counterflashing is necessary at masonry wall intersections. Flash right-angle intersection of deck and wall with an elastomeric sheet.

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NOTE: This section contains both metric and inch-pound graphics.

<u>NUMBER</u>	<u>TITLE</u>
1	Basic Components of Membrane with Separate Wearing Course
2	Flashing at Cracks and Nonmoving Joints in the Concrete
3	Expansion Joint Flashing
4	Expansion Joint Flashing at Wall
5	Terminal Condition with Masonry Above Finish Wearing Surface at Grade
6	Wall Flashing on Concrete Wall
7	Wall - Deck Flashing
8	Penetration Flashing
9	Drain Flashing

DO NOT INCLUDE THE SKETCHES OR LIST OF SKETCHES IN THE PROJECT SPECIFICATIONS. USE SKETCHES FOR PREPARING DETAILS ON THE DRAWINGS.

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NOTE: TO DOWNLOAD UFGS GRAPHICS

Go to <http://www.ccb.org/docs/ufgshome/graphtoc.pdf>.

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## PART 1 GENERAL

### 1.1 REFERENCES

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NOTE: Issue (date) of references included in project specifications need not be more current than provided by the latest guide specification. Use of SpecsIntact automated reference checking is recommended for projects based on older guide specifications.

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The publications listed below form a part of this specification to the extent referenced. The publications are referred to within the text by the basic designation only.

ASTM INTERNATIONAL (ASTM)

ASTM C 33	(2003) Concrete Aggregates
ASTM C 578	(2004) Rigid, Cellular Polystyrene Thermal Insulation
ASTM C 836	(2003) High Solids Content, Cold Liquid-Applied Elastomeric Waterproofing Membrane for Use With Separate Wearing Course
ASTM D 1056	(2000) Flexible Cellular Materials - Sponge or Expanded Rubber
ASTM D 1751	(1999) Preformed Expansion Joint Filler for Concrete Paving and Structural Construction (Nonextruding and Resilient Bituminous Types)
ASTM D 1752	(2004a) Preformed Sponge Rubber and Cork Expansion Joint Fillers for Concrete Paving and Structural Construction

1.2 SUBMITTALS

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NOTE: Submittals must be limited to those necessary for adequate quality control. The importance of an item in the project should be one of the primary factors in determining if a submittal for the item should be required.

A "G" following a submittal item indicates that the submittal requires Government approval. Some submittals are already marked with a "G". Only delete an existing "G" if the submittal item is not complex and can be reviewed through the Contractor's Quality Control system. Only add a "G" if the submittal is sufficiently important or complex in context of the project.

For submittals requiring Government approval on Army projects, a code of up to three characters within the submittal tags may be used following the "G" designation to indicate the approving authority. Codes for Army projects using the Resident Management System (RMS) are: "AE" for Architect-Engineer; "DO" for District Office (Engineering Division or other organization in the District Office); "AO" for Area Office; "RO" for Resident Office; and "PO" for Project Office. Codes following the "G" typically are not used for Navy projects.

Submittal items not designated with a "G" are considered as being for information only for Army projects and for Contractor Quality Control approval

for Navy projects.

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Government approval is required for submittals with a "G" designation; submittals not having a "G" designation are [for Contractor Quality Control approval.] [for information only. When used, a designation following the "G" designation identifies the office that will review the submittal for the Government.] The following shall be submitted in accordance with Section 01330 SUBMITTAL PROCEDURES:

SD-03 Product Data

Fluid-applied membrane

Membrane primer

Elastomeric sheet

Flexible foam-backed elastomeric sheet

Solvent

Moisture meter

Protection board

Bond breaker

Submit material description and physical properties, application details, and recommendations regarding shelf life, application procedures, and precautions on flammability and toxicity.

1.3 PREWATERPROOFING CONFERENCE

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NOTE: Include the requirement for a prewaterproofing conference when the waterproofing system will be used on large areas, e.g., promenade decks over occupied space, and will require work by other trades, e.g., mechanical subcontractors, electrical subcontractor, or tile setters on the membrane.

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Prior to starting application of waterproofing system, arrange and attend a prewaterproofing conference to ensure a clear understanding of drawings and specifications. Give the Contracting Officer 7 days advance written notice of the time and place of meeting. Ensure that the mechanical and electrical subcontractor, flashing and sheetmetal subcontractor, and other trades that may perform other types of work on or over the membrane after installation, attend this conference.

1.4 DELIVERY, STORAGE, AND HANDLING

Deliver waterproofing materials in manufacturer's original, unopened containers, with labels intact and legible. Containers of materials covered by a referenced specification number shall bear the specification number, type, and class of the contents. Deliver materials in sufficient quantity to continue work without interruption. Store and protect

materials in accordance with manufacturer's instructions, and use within their indicated shelf life. When hazardous materials are involved, adhere to special precautions of the manufacturer, unless precautions conflict with local, state, and federal regulations. Promptly remove from the site materials or incomplete work adversely affected by exposure to moisture or freezing. Store materials on pallets and cover from top to bottom with canvas tarpaulins.

## 1.5 ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS

Apply materials when ambient temperature is 4 degrees C 40 degrees F or above for a period of 24 hours prior to the application and when there is no ice, frost, surface moisture, or visible dampness on the substrate surface. Apply materials when air temperature is expected to remain above 4 degrees C 40 degrees F during the cure period recommended by the manufacturer. Moisture test for substrate is specified under paragraph entitled "Moisture Test." Work may be performed within heated enclosures, provided the surface temperature of the substrate is maintained at a minimum of 4 degrees C 40 degrees F for 24 hours prior to the application of the waterproofing, and remains above that temperature during the cure period recommended by the manufacturer.

## PART 2 PRODUCTS

### 2.1 FLUID-APPLIED MEMBRANE

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NOTE: ASTM C 836 is a materials performance specification; it does not specify any particular elastomer or elastomeric-extender combination.  
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ASTM C 836.

### 2.2 MEMBRANE PRIMER

As recommended by the fluid-applied membrane manufacturer unless specifically prohibited by the manufacturer of the fluid-applied membrane.

### 2.3 SEALANT

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NOTE: Specify sealant conforming to FS TT-S-227 or FS TT-S-230 in Section 07920, "Joint Sealants." If no such section is required, specify sealant in this section.  
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As specified in Section 07920 JOINT SEALANTS.

### 2.4 SEALANT PRIMER

As specified in Section 07920 JOINT SEALANTS.

### 2.5 BACKING MATERIAL

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NOTE: Include the following paragraph in Section 07920, "Joint Sealants":  
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**"Special Backing Material: Backing materials used  
for sealants in conjunction with fluid-applied  
waterproofing are specified in this section.**

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Premolded, closed-cell, polyethylene, or polyurethane foam rod having a diameter 25 percent larger than joint width before being compressed into joint. Provide bond breaker of polyethylene film or other suitable material between backing material and sealant.

2.6 [JOINT FILLER

As specified in [Section 03300N CAST-IN-PLACE CONCRETE,] [ASTM D 1751] [or] [ASTM D 1752].]

2.7 BOND BREAKER

As recommended by the fluid-applied membrane manufacturer. Bond breaker shall not interfere with the curing process or other performance properties of the fluid-applied membrane.

2.8 ELASTOMERIC SHEET

Preformed; as recommended by the fluid-applied membrane manufacturer. Bond strength between the fluid-applied membrane and the preformed elastomeric sheet shall be a minimum of 7 kPa one psi when tested in accordance with ASTM C 836.

2.9 ELASTOMERIC SHEET ADHESIVE

As recommended by the elastomeric sheet manufacturer.

2.10 FLEXIBLE FOAM-BACKED ELASTOMERIC SHEET

Flexible foam-backed elastomeric sheet for protection over preformed elastomeric sheet at expansion joints shall be 13 mm 1/2 inch thick, minimum, closed cell foam conforming to ASTM D 1056, Type 2, Class B, Grades 2 or 3, factory-bonded to 2 mm 1/16 inch thick, minimum, preformed elastomeric sheet.

2.11 PROTECTION BOARD

Premolded bitumen composition board, 3 mm 1/8 inch minimum thickness or other composition board compatible with the fluid-applied membrane.

2.12 DRAINAGE COURSE AGGREGATE

ASTM C 33, size No. 8.

2.13 INSULATION

Polystyrene foam conforming to ASTM C 578, Class IV, thickness as [indicated] [required by indicated R-value].



## PART 3 EXECUTION

### 3.1 PREPARATION

Coordinate work with that of other trades to ensure that components to be incorporated into the waterproofing system are available when needed. Inspect and approve surfaces immediately before application of waterproofing materials. Remove laitance, loose aggregate, sharp projections, grease, oil, dirt, curing compounds, and other contaminants which could adversely affect the complete bonding of the fluid-applied membrane to the concrete surface.

#### 3.1.1 Flashings

Make penetrations through sleeves in concrete slab watertight before application of waterproofing. After flashing is completed, cover elastomeric sheet with fluid-applied waterproofing during waterproofing application.

##### 3.1.1.1 Drains

Make drain flanges flush with surface of structural slab. Apply a full elastomeric sheet around the drain, with edges fully adhered to drain flange and to structural slab. Do not adhere elastomeric sheet over joint between drain and concrete slab. Do not plug drainage or weep holes. Cover elastomeric sheet with fluid-applied waterproofing during waterproofing application. Lap elastomeric sheet a minimum of 100 mm 4 inches onto concrete slab.

##### 3.1.1.2 Penetrations and Projections

Flash penetrations and projections through structural slab with an elastomeric sheet adhered to the concrete slab and the penetration. Leave elastomeric sheet unadhered for 25 mm one inch over joint between penetration and concrete slab. Adhere elastomeric sheet a minimum of 100 mm 4 inches onto horizontal deck.

##### 3.1.1.3 Walls and Vertical Surfaces

Flash wall intersections which are not of monolithic pour or constructed with reinforced concrete joints with an elastomeric sheet adhered to both vertical wall surfaces and concrete slab. Flash intersections which are monolithically poured or constructed with reinforced concrete joints with either an elastomeric sheet or a vertical grade of fluid-applied waterproofing adhered to vertical wall surfaces and concrete slab. Leave sheet unadhered for a distance of 25 mm one inch from the corner on both vertical and horizontal surfaces.

#### 3.1.2 Cracks and Joints

Prepare visible cracks and joints in substrate to receive fluid-applied waterproofing membrane by placing a bond breaker and an elastomeric slip sheet between membrane and substrate. Cracks that show movement shall receive a 50 mm 2 inch bond breaker followed by an elastomeric sheet adhered to the deck. Nonmoving cracks shall be double coated with fluid-applied waterproofing.

### 3.1.3 Priming

Prime surfaces to receive fluid-applied waterproofing membrane. Apply primer as required by membrane manufacturer's printed instructions.

## 3.2 SPECIAL PRECAUTIONS

Protect waterproofing materials during transport and application. Do not dilute primers and other materials, unless specifically recommended by materials manufacturer. Keep containers closed except when removing contents. Do not mix remains of unlike materials. Thoroughly remove residual materials before using application equipment for mixing and transporting materials. Do not permit equipment on the project site that has residue of materials used on previous projects. Use cleaners only for cleaning, not for thinning primers or membrane materials. Ensure that workers and others who walk on cured membrane wear clean, soft-soled shoes to avoid damaging the waterproofing materials.

## 3.3 APPLICATION

Over primed surfaces, provide a uniform, wet, monolithic coating of fluid-applied membrane, 1.5 mm 60 mils thick, plus or minus 0.125 mm 5 mils by following manufacturer's printed instructions. Apply material by trowel, squeegee, roller, brush, spray apparatus, or other method recommended by membrane manufacturer. Check wet film thickness as specified in paragraph entitled "Film Thickness" and adjust application rate as necessary to provide a uniform coating of the thickness specified. Where possible, mark off surface to be coated in equal units to facilitate proper coverage. At expansion joints, control joints, prepared cracks, flashing, and terminations, carry membrane over preformed elastomeric sheet in a uniform 1.5 mm 60 mil thick, plus or minus 0.125 mm 5 mils, wet thickness to provide a monolithic coating. If membrane cures before next application, wipe previously applied membrane with a solvent to remove dirt and dust that could inhibit adhesion of overlapping membrane coat. Use solvent recommended by the membrane manufacturer, as approved.

### 3.3.1 Work Sequence

Perform work so that protection board is installed prior to using the waterproofed surface. Do not permanently install protection board until the membrane has passed the flood test specified under paragraph entitled "Flood Test." Move material storage areas as work progresses to prevent abuse of membrane and overloading of structural deck.

### 3.3.2 Protection Board

Protect fluid-applied membrane by placing protection board over membrane at a time recommended by the membrane manufacturer. Protect membrane application when protection board is not placed immediately. Butt protection boards together and do not overlap.

### 3.3.3 Drainage Course

Place drainage course where shown after flood tests are completed and concrete protection slab or wearing course is ready to be installed.

### 3.3.4 Insulation

Place insulation of thickness indicated, on top of drainage course just

prior to placement of concrete protection slab.

### 3.4 FIELD QUALITY CONTROL

#### 3.4.1 Moisture Test

Prior to application of fluid-applied waterproofing, measure moisture content of substrate with a moisture meter in the presence of the Contracting Officer. An acceptable device is the Delmhorst Moisture Meter, Model BD7/2E/CS, Type 21 E. Similar meters by other manufacturers, which are suitable for the purpose, may be used as approved by the Contracting Officer. Do not begin application until meter reading indicates "dry" range.

#### 3.4.2 Film Thickness

Measure wet film thickness every 10 square meters 100 square feet during application by placing flat metal plates on the substrate or using a mil-thickness gage especially manufactured for the purpose.

#### 3.4.3 Flood Test

After application and curing is complete, plug drains and fill waterproofed area with water to a depth of 50 mm 2 inches. A minimum 48 hour cure time, or longer cure time if recommended by the membrane manufacturer, shall be required prior to flood testing. Allow water to stand 24 hours. Test watertightness by measuring water level at beginning and end of the 24 hour period. If water level falls, drain water, allow installation to dry, and inspect. Make repairs or replace as required and repeat the test. Work shall not proceed before approval of repairs or replacement.

### 3.5 INFORMATION CARD

Furnish a typewritten card containing information listed in the attached Form 1, framed in a watertight frame under clear glass or plastic for each waterproofing installation. Furnish framed card and duplicate card.

FORM 1

FLUID-APPLIED WATERPROOFING SYSTEM COMPONENTS

1. Contract Number
2. Date Work Completed
3. Project Specification Designation
4. Substrate Material
5. Slope of Substrate
6. Drains Type/Manufacturer
7. Waterproofing
  - a. Membrane
  - b. Sealant
  - c. Elastomeric Sheet
  - d. Materials Manufacturer(s)
8. Protection Board
  - a. Type
  - b. Thickness
  - c. Manufacturer's Name
9. Drainage Course Material Graduation
10. Insulation
  - a. Type
  - b. Thickness
  - c. Manufacturer's Name
11. Protection Slab
  - a. Material
  - b. Thickness
  - c. Support
  - d. Joint System
12. Wearing Course
  - a. Type
  - b. Slope
  - c. Joint System
  - d. Sealant/Gasket Type
13. Wearing Surface Type  
Manufacturer's Name
14. Statement of Compliance or Exception

Contractor's Signature                      Date Signed

Inspector's Signature                      Date Signed

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