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GACOFLEX™ S42 SERIES SOLVENT-FREE SILICONE ELASTOMERIC COATING SYSTEM OVER SEAMLESS SPRAYED-IN-PLACE POLYURETHANE FOAM ROOFING

1.1 SUMMARY

A. This specification provides for a fire resistant roof covering system which meets Class A, non-combustible deck requirements under ASTM E-108 Class “A”. Suitable substrates include concrete, gypsum board, metal and certain heavy wood decks. For re-roofing over BUR or other roof coverings, including single ply membranes and modified bitumen systems, applied according to this specification will not alter the existing fire resistance rating. Surfaces to receive the roof covering system must comply with applicable building codes.

Sprayed-in-place polyurethane foam is applied at a desired thickness (1” (2.54 cm) minimum)) to fulfill thermal insulation requirements and to provide seamless monolithic surface over a variety of roof designs, shapes and draining slopes.

When properly applied, the GacoFlex S42 Series Silicone Coating System provides a weatherproof seal that protects the polyurethane foam from degradation caused by ultra violet light, water and other normal weathering hazards. This application incorporates the optional application of granules. The thickness of the foam can be varied to provide a desired thickness to create a positive slope to the drain. The appearance of the system depends on the finished surface of the polyurethane foam which normally has slight undulations in thickness. Sprayed-in-place polyurethane foam mirrors the contour of the substrate and will reflect projections and depressions.

B. The GacoFlex S42 Series Silicone Coating System discussed in this specification has a moderate rate of water vapor transmission. The GacoFlex S42 Series Coating System is not recommended for use on cold storage or cryogenic structures that may have constant high water vapor drive causing long-term accumulation of moisture in the roofing system that serves as a substrate for the S42 Series Coating System. Consult Gaco Western for vapor retardant systems to use on refrigerated structures.

C. This specification is intended only as a guide for the development of a project specification. The suitability of this specification for a particular project must be determined by a qualified representative of the owner.

Conditions to check and corrections to consider are:

- The sprayed-in-place polyurethane foam roofing substrate must be well adhered and intact.
- The structural decking must be sound.

Elements of this specification may require modification in order to clearly delineate project requirements. Sections that are not pertinent may be deleted.
1.2 RELATED SECTIONS

A. Cast-In-Place Concrete: Division 03 30 00
B. Flashing/Sheet Metal: Division 07 60 00
C. Roof Accessories: Division 07 72 00
D. Rough Carpentry/wood blocking: Division 06 10 00
E. Drains, vents, penetrations: Division 07 72 00
F. Vapor barriers/air barriers: Division 07 25 00
G. Board Insulation: Division 07 22 00
H. Skylights: Division 08 60 00
I. Metal decking: Division 05 30 00

1.3 SUBMITTALS

A. Product Data: Submit the manufacturer’s standard submittal package including specification, installation instructions, and general information for each waterproofing material.

B. Submitted Material Warranty must be supplied by product manufacturer.

C. Applicator Qualifications: Submit current “Qualified Applicator” Certificate from the specified waterproofing manufacturer.

D. Sample: Two physical samples reflecting the completed installation, i.e. finish, color, must be submitted to the owner/owners representative. Size of these samples shall be 12” X 12” (30.48 cm x 30.48 cm) minimum.

E. Substrate Conditions:

1. Applicator to present to owner a completed inspection form verifying substrate condition and any noted defects not specifically addressed in regard to the installation of the coating.

2. Surface shall be free from loose dirt, stone, debris, moisture, and shall be in stable condition. Any work on the area to receive this application shall be completed prior to the installation of the coating.

3. Applicator shall complete a substrate inspection prior to the start of the installation of the coating. The architect/owner and applicator shall accept the substrate. Start of the work constitutes acceptance.

1.4 QUALIFICATIONS

A. The primary polyurethane foam roofing and the designated elastomeric coating system shall be of:

1. Single manufacturer. The manufacturer shall have a minimum of 10 years’ experience in the manufacture of materials of this type.

2. Applicators shall have a minimum of 5 years’ experience in the application of waterproofing materials of the type specified. Applicator shall possess a current “Qualified Applicator” Certificate from the specified waterproofing manufacturer.

B. Pre-Bid Conference: 10 working days prior to the bid opening there is to be a mandatory Pre-Bid Conference. Anyone not attending the Pre-Bid Conference will not be allowed to bid the project. All products considered an equal to the specified product or any changes in the scope of work installation or specifications must be presented at the Pre-Bid Conference. If a change in the specifications is accepted, it will be considered as an alternate and will be presented as a bid amendment issued 5 working days prior to the bid opening. No other changes to the specification or bid documents will be accepted.

C. Materials other than those specified shall be submitted to the architect/owner for approval no later than ten days prior to the bid date. In requesting prior approval, it shall be necessary to submit:

1. A letter of certification, signed by an officer of the manufacturer, stating that the alternative material is equal to or better than the specified product.

2. Independent laboratory test data giving physical property values in comparison to the specified material.
D. Pre-Installation Conference: Just prior to the commencement of the installation, meet at the job site with a representative of the coating manufacturer, applicator, general contractor, architect and other parties affected by this section. Review methods and procedures, substrate conditions, scheduling and safety.

1.5 DELIVERY, STORAGE AND HANDLING

A. Deliver all materials in sufficient quantities as not to cause delays in the application of the roofing system. Owner/owner’s representative shall reject damaged materials not conforming. Rejected materials shall be removed immediately from the job site and replaced at no additional cost to the owner.

B. Store materials as recommended by the manufacturer and conforming to applicable safety regulatory agencies: town, state, and federal. Refer to all applicable data including, but not limited to Safety Data Sheets, Product Data Sheets, product labels and specific instructions for personal protection.

C. Provide adequate ventilation, protection from hazardous fumes, overspray potential to workers and associated trades in close proximity of the application.

1.6 ENVIRONMENTAL REQUIREMENTS

Proceed with the work of this section only when the existing and forecasted weather conditions will permit the application to be performed in accordance with the manufacturer’s recommendations.

A. **Do not** install polyurethane foam under the following conditions:

1. When the surface temperature is below 50°F (10°C) or is above 160°F (71°C).
2. When the relative humidity is above 80% or temperature is within 5°F of the dew point.
3. When the wind velocity exceeds 15 mph (24 kph) (Without the use of a wind screen)

1.7 WARRANTY

A. Gaco Western warrants that the material supplied will meet or exceed physical properties as published. The applicator guarantees that workmanship will be free of defects in coating application. Since performance of previously applied coatings are beyond the control of Gaco Western or the applicator, requests for additional warranty coverage shall be subject to prior approval by Gaco Western.

B. Warranty must be supplied by product manufacturer

C. A warranty is available with this system provided it has been installed by a Gaco Western Qualified Applicator and is installed according to this specification. An application for Warranty must be made prior to starting the job.

D. Protection of building and occupants:

1. All surfaces not to receive the system specified shall be protected from overspray hazard, e.g. windows, doors, exterior and vehicles. Protective coverings shall be secured against wind and shall be vented if used in conjunction with the application preventing collection and moisture.
2. The applicator is to post signs noting a potential overspray hazard within 400’ (121.90 m) of the application.
3. All air intake ventilation equipment shall be turned off to prevent fumes from entering the building.
4. All surfaces damaged during the application shall be restored at no expense to the owner.
5. No smoking signs are be posted as mandated by local fire officials.
E. Substrate: Proceed with the work as specified only after the substrate construction, preparation, and detail work has been completed.

F. Equipment: All equipment used during the operations shall be located so as not to adversely affect the daily operations or endanger occupants, structure or materials on-site. All spray equipment must be grounded during the operations.

PART 2 - PRODUCTS

2.1 MANUFACTURER

Acceptable Manufacturers:
Gaco Western www.gaco.com, 800-813-1346

2.2 MATERIALS

A. Cleaner: GacoFlex GacoWash Concentrated Cleaner

B. Primer: GacoFlex E5320 Epoxy Primer (as needed)

C. Polyurethane foam shall be designed for a spray application resulting in high quality, rigid polyurethane under the prevailing application conditions. Polyurethane foam shall be of the proper formulation to meet climatic conditions at the time of the application.

1. Polyurethane foam shall be GacoFlex F2733 GacoRoofFoam manufactured by Gaco Western meeting the following minimum physical and performance properties.

GacoFlex F2733 GacoRoofFoam

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NOTE: It is Gaco Western's position that the use of foamed plastic insulation for interior application on walls or ceilings may represent an unreasonable fire hazard unless the foamed plastic insulation is covered with a thermal barrier and that the resulting composite construction has a minimum 15 minute rating as listed by Factory Mutual Research Corporation or other equally accepted listing agency.

Fire rated coating systems for plastic foam insulation tested under ASTM E-108 Class “A” Roof Composite Construction do not qualify for thermal barrier use on interior walls and ceilings.

D. Expansion Joint Covers: Where called for on the drawings, expansion joint covers will be GacoFlex NF621 Neoprene Sheet, 1/16” (.16 cm) thick, using GacoFlex N1207 VOC Compliant General Purpose Adhesive, in a width of _______ (to be stated in the published specification. If there is none stated, the bids will be based on 12” (30.48 cm) Apply in accordance with Gaco Western’s General Instructions GW-5-D3 Details.

E. Elastomeric Coating: Gaco Western GacoFlex S42 Series Silicone Coating with the following physical properties:

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**F. Flashing:** GacoFlashFoam can be self-flashing at curbs, parapets, walls and penetrations. Contact a Gaco Western Representative for assistance.

Flashing at dynamically moving joints require GacoFlex NF621 Neoprene Sheet Flashing 1/16” (.16 cm) and VOC Compliant General Purpose Adhesive.

**PART 3 - EXECUTION**

**3.1 EXAMINATION**

A. Verify that the substrate is ready to receive the work; surface is clean, dry and free of substances which could affect the bond.

B. Cleaning of the roof should be accomplished by using power vacuum equipment, power sweepers, air blowers, power washers or other suitable means. Use GacoWash diluted 1 part of GacoWash with 9 parts of water when power washing.

C. All associated construction (e.g., drain installation, edge flashing, penetrations and mechanical apparatus) shall be completed prior to the commencement of the specified roof foam and coating system.

D. Verify that all other work involved with this area, done under other sections, has been completed and accepted by the architect and general contractor prior to starting the waterproofing application.

**3.2 PREPARATION**

A. Clean substrate to remove all oils and surface contaminants. Refer to Gaco Western’s General Instructions GW-1-1, Surface Preparation.

B. Mask off all adjoining areas that will not receive the roofing system.

**3.3 INSTALLATION**

A. Technical Advice: The installation of this system shall be accomplished with the advice of, the manufacturer’s technical representative. Contact Technical Services for assistance.

**Note:** Surface should be clean and dry, remove all oils and other surface contaminants.

B. Primer: No primer system is required unless rust is present. Area that contain Rust: Apply GacoFlex E5320 Primer at one gallon per 300 square feet (3.78 L / 27.9 m²) to steel, aluminum, copper and ferrous metal. The primer must be completely dry before starting the polyurethane foam application.

C. Foam: Install GacoFlex F2733 GacoRoofFoam in a thickness of 2” ± 1/4” (.64 cm), (1” (2.54 cm) minimum required.) Neatly terminate the sprayed-in-place polyurethane foam on all vertical surfaces, (e.g., pipe penetrations, vents, mechanical equipment, parapet walls, etc.) a minimum of 3” (7.62 cm) or 2½ times as specified minimum foam thickness.

Example: If 1” (2.54 cm) minimum is specified, all vertical terminations shall have a minimum of 2 ½” (6.35 cm) sprayed up onto the vertical surface and canted to the horizontal surface.
1. The polyurethane foam spray application shall be limited to an area which can be completed to full foam thickness in one day.

2. The completed polyurethane foam surface shall be smooth to an orange peel texture; a popcorn texture is not acceptable.

3. The completed polyurethane foam surface shall be free of pinholes and “glass windows” due to improper equipment calibration or climatic conditions.

4. Apply the protective coating to the polyurethane foam surface on the same day (2 hours minimum).

D. Elastomeric Top Coat: Apply one coat of GacoFlex S42 Series Silicone Coating at a coverage rate of 1.75 gallons per 100 square feet (5.68 L / 9.3 m² ) to achieve a nominal film thickness of 26 dry mils. Double coat flashings and edge terminations.

E. Optional Granular Coat: An additional granular coat may be added. Apply one coat of GacoFlex S42 Series Silicone Coating at the rate of not less than .5 gallon per 100 square feet (1.89 L / 9.3 m²), (8 mils dry (.20 mm)). Immediately broadcast roofing granules into the finish coat at the rate of 30 lbs per 100 square feet. (13.6 kg / 9.3 m²).

F. Optional WalkPad: Apply one coat of GacoFlex SF4236 WalkPad at a rate of 4 gallons per 100 sq. ft. (64 wet mils). Broadcast GacoWalkPad safety yellow granules into wet coating at a rate of 0.5 lb. per 100 square feet to help ensure good traction.

NOTE: Tape off area to receive the GacoWalkPad area using duct tape. After application remove duct tape while coating is still wet.

NOTE: GacoFlex SF4236 WalkPad is the only walk pad system approved for inclusion in this Specification.

Caution: While the use of granules will improve traction, caution should still be exercised when walking on the coated roofing system, especially in wet conditions.

3.4 FIELD QUALITY CONTROL

A. The applicator shall maintain the system to verify compliance with this specification.

1. Thickness of polyurethane foam and applied coating shall be measured and recorded for each coat and the total protective coating system.

B. The owner’s representative has the option of taking core samples to verify compliance with the specification.

1. Cut out sections shall be immediately repaired by the applicator at its expense.

2. All costs of testing the core samples shall be paid for by the owner.

C. Any variations from the specified limits found by the applicator or owner’s representative shall be corrected by the applicator.

D. Dry Film Thickness: The total dry mil thickness of the coating, without the granular coat, shall measure a minimum of 26 dry mils. Rough foam that increases the surface area will require proportionate increases in the coating to maintain an average dry film thickness.

E. No traffic shall be permitted on the coated surface for a minimum of three (3) days. Damage to the surface by other trades shall not be the responsibility of the applicator.