



KRAITEC® protect heavy-duty structural protection mats (Point- and Line loads, Tunnel and Green roof's)

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1. Installation on Bituminous Roofing Membranes

Use a broom to sweep clean the surface to be covered.

If weights bearing on specific points or lines are expected in the application, cushion them with **KRAITEC®** protect pads or strips. Such localized stresses can be encountered e.g. under heavy objects (air conditioning units, etc.) and support columns or frames which bear on the roof.

If installing on green roofs, allow 10 cm overlap on all sides.

If heavy traffic or stress is expected in the application at hand, install two layers of mats in an offset configuration, allowing an overlap of 10 cm on all sides.

At outer perimeters of surfaces covered by **KRAITEC® protect**, install mats with their outside edge level with the upper surface of the subsequent sand, gravel or other covering layer. Do not permit water accumulation on or under the mats, i.e. ensure adequate water drainage (at least 2% slope).

For special constructions, please consult the manufacturer for specific advice.

KRAITEC® protect can be cut with a commercial cutter. When cutting, make sure that the existing layers are not damaged!

2. Installation on Plastic Membranes

If the plastic membrane and **KRAITEC® protect** are chemically compatible, proceed as described above. If they are not compatible, include as well a separating layer between them. Consult the roofing membrane manufacturer for assessment of chemical compatibility and specification of the type of insulating layer to be used, if required.

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3. Recommended Thicknesses

The required thickness or thicknesses in a specific application must be specified by the design engineer or architect.

As a general rule of thumb, a two-layer system of **KRAITEC® protect** installed in an offset configuration provides better protection than does a single-layer system of the same overall thickness.

4. Please Note:

Immediately after being placed, **KRAITEC® protect** structural protection mats for tunnel and green roofs should be covered (weighted down) e.g. with gravel, sand soil to avoid dimensional changes due to stress relaxation and thermal expansion or contraction.

If **KRAITEC®** protect is installed without full surface covering, e.g. when used as walkway mats or temporary protection under building scaffolds, allow for shrinkage and/or contraction by increasing overlap accordingly.

The compatibility with the surface the mats are placed on needs to be checked to prevent any chemical or mechanical interaction. Eventually a separating layer must be used.

The performance and expected service life of **KRAITEC® protect** without covering have not been established to date; please refer to the disclaimer below.

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