Senershield-R
Vapor Permeable Air/Water-Resistive Barrier Membrane
Product Bulletin
**Senershield-R**

**DESCRIPTION**
Senershield-R is a one-component, fluid-applied vapor permeable air/water-resistive barrier. This waterproof, resilient coating may be spray-, roller-, brush-, or trowel-applied directly to approved above grade wall substrates. It provides excellent secondary moisture protection behind most wall claddings including EIFS, stucco*, brick, siding and metal panels. Senershield-R is listed in ICC ESR-1878, ESR-1794 and ESR-2986.

*A slip sheet is required for stucco claddings.

**USES**
For use over the following exterior wall substrates:
Poured concrete/unit masonry, ASTM C1177 type sheathings, including DensGlass™ or DensElement exterior sheathing, eXPT™ sheathing, GlasRoc® sheathing, Securock™ glass-mat sheathing, Weather Defense® Platinum sheathing, GreenGlass® sheathing, PermaBase™ cement-board by National Gypsum and other cement-boards (ASTM C1325 Type A Exterior), Untreated Exposure I or exterior plywood sheathing (grade C-D or better), Untreated Exposure I OSB, Fire Treated wood sheathing, Pyro-Guard® and Dricon® plywood and FlameBlock® OSB, gypsum sheathing (ASTM C79/ASTM C1396).

Do not use Senershield-R for below-grade applications or on surfaces subject to water immersion.

**COLOR**
Gray

**COVERAGE**

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<th>Substrate</th>
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<td>ASTM C1177 Type Sheathing</td>
<td>41 m² (450 ft²)</td>
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<td>Cement Board</td>
<td>46 m² (500 ft²)</td>
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<td>Plywood*</td>
<td>24 m² (265 ft²)</td>
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<td>Oriented Strand Board (OSB)*</td>
<td>24 m² (265 ft²)</td>
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<td>Concrete Masonry Units (CMU)*</td>
<td>24 m² (265 ft²)</td>
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<td>Poured Concrete</td>
<td>46 m² (500 ft²)</td>
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*Coverage for C1177 sheathing, cement board, poured concrete is at 10 mils WFT; for plywood OSB and CMU is at 20 mils WFT.

**PACKAGING**

- 27.2 kg per 19-liter pail (60 lbs per 5-gallon pail)
- 4” Sheathing Fabric: 101.5 mm x 54.8 m (4” x 180 ft) roll
- 6” Sheathing Fabric: 152.4 mm x 54.8 m (6” x 180 ft) roll
- 9” Sheathing Fabric: 228.5 mm x 54.8 m (9” x 180 ft) roll

* Roll or spray / backroll for optimum coverage rate. Other application methods may provide less coverage. Actual results may vary depending on surface porosity, roughness, moisture uptakes, or other factors.

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**Features**
- Can be used with most code-compliant claddings
- ICC ESR-2986 Evaluation Report
- ABAA evaluated
- <1% of allowable air leakage per ASTM E2357 Air Leakage of Building Assemblies test
- Meets ASTM D1970 nail sealability requirements with and without Sheathing Fabric
- One component, low-VOC formulation
- Nonflammable as applied
- Mineral oil and plasticizer free
- Water based
- Tough, abrasion resistant
- Low temperature performance with LT Additive
- 180 day outdoor exposure rating

**Benefits**
- One continuous air/water-resistive barrier for buildings with multiple claddings
- Confirms compliance with IBC, IRC, and IECC requirements.
- Approved for projects requiring ABAA specifications and quality assurance
- Easily meets air tightness requirements defined by ASHRAE 189.1, ASHRAE 90.1 and ABAA
- Self sealing performance
- Easy to apply, meets VOC requirements in all 50 states
- Workplace safety
- Will not dry out or crack due to loss of oil / plasticizer over time
- Cleans up with water; solvents and citrus based cleaners not required
- Rugged membrane resists damage after installation
- Extends minimum application temperature to 4˚ C (25˚ F)
- Flexible construction scheduling

Senershield-R complies with the air barrier requirements of the Massachusetts State Energy Code.
Multi-clad wall assembly using Senershield-R

## TEST RESULTS

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<td><strong>Air Leakage of Air Barrier Assemblies</strong></td>
<td>0.0007 l/s·m² (0.0001 cfm/ft²) @ 75 Pa (1.57 psf) positive / post conditioning</td>
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<td><strong>Air Permeance of Building Materials</strong></td>
<td>0.0014 l/s·m² (0.0003 cfm/ft²) @ 75 Pa (1.57 psf) negative / post conditioning</td>
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<td><strong>Rate of Air Leakage</strong></td>
<td>0.0049 l/s·m² @ 75 Pa (0.00098 cfm/ft² @ 1.57 psf)</td>
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<td><strong>Water Vapor Transmission</strong></td>
<td>18 Perms (grains/Hr. in Hg. ft²) @ 10 mils wet film thickness</td>
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<td><strong>Pull-Off Strength of Coatings</strong></td>
<td>Pass - Min. 110 kPa (15.9 psi) or substrate failure</td>
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<td><strong>Median Thickness Measurements</strong></td>
<td>Tested over exterior gypsum sheathing, ASTM C1177 glass-mat sheathing, cement board, OSB, plywood; pvc and galvanized flashing</td>
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<td><strong>Nail Sealability</strong> (without Sheathing Fabric)</td>
<td>Pass - No water penetration at galvanized roofing nail penetration under 127 mm (5”) head of water after 3 days at 4° C (40° F)</td>
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<td><strong>Surface Burning</strong></td>
<td>Class A flame spread &lt;25</td>
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<td>Class A smoke developed index &lt;450</td>
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<td><strong>Water-Resistive Barriers under EIFS</strong></td>
<td>Pass - Meets all criteria in the standard</td>
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<td><strong>Compound Stability (Elevated Temperature)</strong></td>
<td>No flowing, dripping, or drop formation up to 177° C (350° F)</td>
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<td><strong>Fire Resistance</strong></td>
<td>Will not add or detract from the rating of a fire resistive wall assembly</td>
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<td><strong>Drainage Efficiency</strong></td>
<td>99%</td>
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## ICC-ES AC 212  Acceptance Criteria for Water-Resistive Coatings used as Water-Resistive Barriers over Exterior Sheathing

**Sequential Testing - Structural, Racking, Restrained Environmental Conditioning and Water Penetration**

1. **Structural:** ASTM E 1233 Procedure A  
   - No cracking at joints or interface of flashing
2. **Racking:** ASTM E 72  
   - No cracking at joints or interface of flashing
3. **Restrained Environmental Conditioning:** ICC-ES AC 212  
   - No cracking at joints or interface of flashing
4. **Water Penetration:** ASTM E 331  
   - No water penetration after 90 min @ 299 Pa (6.24 psf)  
   - Tested over OSB and gypsum sheathing

**Sequential Testing - Weathering**

1. **UV Light Exposure:** ICC-ES AC 212  
   - No cracking or bond failure to substrate
2. **Accelerated Aging:** ICC-ES AC 212  
   - No cracking or bond failure to substrate
3. **Hydrostatic Pressure Test:** AATCC 127-1985  
   - No water penetration under 55cm (21.7”) head of water for 5 hours
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MIXING
1. Use directly from original packaging or prepare in a container that is clean and free of foreign substances. Do not use a container which has contained or been cleaned with a petroleum-based product.
2. Mix Senershield-R with a clean, rust-free paddle and drill until thoroughly blended. Dilution of Senershield-R is not recommended.
3. Additives, other than LT Additive, are not permitted.
4. Close container when not in use.
5. Clean tools and equipment with water immediately after use. Dried material can only be removed mechanically.

APPLICATION
Job Conditions
To apply to Senershield-R at ambient temperatures below 4°C (40°F) but greater than -4°C (25°F), thoroughly blend 1 full quart of LT Additive with one full 5-gallon pail of Senershield-R. When using LT Additive, extended drying time can be expected. Do not apply Senershield-R to frozen or frost-laden substrates.
Do not apply Senershield-R in ambient temperatures below 4°C (40°F) or onto substrates below 4°C (40°F) unless LT Additive is used.

Walls shall be capped to prevent moisture and precipitation from entering wall during construction.
Limit the weather exposure of Senershield-R to a maximum of 180 days. Verify surfaces are free of dirt, contaminants, or other deleterious conditions before application of cladding. Report and correct any such conditions prior to cladding application. Dry/cure times of adhesively applied EPS insulation board installed over Senershield-R may be prolonged, particularly in cool and/or damp weather. Non-cementitious adhesives are not recommended for EPS insulation board application. Dry/cure times of adhesively applied EPS insulation board installed over Senershield-R may be prolonged, particularly in cool and/or damp weather. Non-cementitious adhesives are not recommended for EPS insulation board attachment to Senershield-R. Proper application is the responsibility of the user.

Surface Preparation
Substrate shall be dry, clean, sound and free of release agents, paint or other residue or coatings. Verify substrate is flat, free of fins or planar irregularities greater than 6.4 mm in 3 m (1/4” in 10’). Unsatisfactory conditions shall be reported to the general contractor and corrected before application of Senershield-R.

Equipment
Use a 20 mm (3/4”) nap roller or paint brush. If spraying, refer to Spray Application technical bulletin for spray application equipment and application instructions.

Note: If using roller application, it is necessary to pre-wet the synthetic roller pad with water and spin out the excess water. The pre-wetting only needs to be done once at the start of application.

Procedure
1. Substrate shall be of a type acceptable by BASF and shall be installed per substrate manufacturer’s instructions and local code requirements.
2. Rough openings and sheathing joints can be treated with MaxFlash Liquid Flashing Membrane or Sheathing Fabric saturated with Senershield-R. See following sections for additional steps.

USING MAXFLASH
Flashing Rough Openings:
A. Apply a bead of MaxFlash in each corner of the rough opening and tool MaxFlash into corners, ensuring that corners are fully sealed. Where wood bucks are used, tool MaxFlash into gaps between bucks and between the buck and building structure.

B. Apply additional MaxFlash in a zigzag pattern onto head, sill, jambs and exterior substrate. Spread MaxFlash evenly across the rough opening to form a uniform, continuous, void- and pinhole-free membrane with a 12-30 mil thickness. Spread MaxFlash before it skins, typically within 2-3 minutes of application.
C. Extend MaxFlash membrane minimum 4-inches onto the exterior wall, maintaining 12-30 mil thickness.
D. Allow MaxFlash to skin before applying BASF fluid-applied air/water-resistive barrier to sheathing. Lap air/water-resistive barrier a minimum of 2-inches onto MaxFlash, creating a continuous, monolithic air/water-resistive barrier.
E. Allow MaxFlash to cure before installing windows.

Sheathing Joints:
MAXFLASH can be used to fill sheathing joints up to ½” wide.
A. Apply a thick bead of MaxFlash to sheathing joints.
B. Spread MaxFlash evenly 1-inch beyond the joint on either side. Apply 20-30 mils of MaxFlash across the sheathing joint.
C. Spot fastener heads with MaxFlash or BASF fluid-applied air/water-resistive barrier.
D. Allow MaxFlash to skin before applying subsequent coat of air/water-resistive barrier.

See the MaxFlash product bulletin for coverages and additional product highlights.

- OR -
USING SHEATHING FABRIC
Flashing Rough Openings:
Wrap openings with Sheathing Fabric. Apply a generous amount of mixed Senershield-R to all surfaces and immediately embedding Sheathing Fabric, completely saturating the Sheathing Fabric. If necessary, apply a second coat of Senershield-R to ensure a complete, void-free membrane.

Sheathing Joints:
A. Spot all fasteners and precoat sheathing joints, terminations, inside and outside corners with mixed Senershield-R using a 101 mm (4”) wide by 20 mm (3/4”) nap roller, brush or spray.
B. 1. Immediately place and center Sheathing Fabric over wet Senershield-R at all sheathing joints, terminations, inside and outside corners, as well as knot holes and check cracks that may exist in plywood or OSB. Ensure Sheathing Fabric extends evenly on both sides of the sheathing joint. Completely saturate Sheathing Fabric with Senershield-R.
2. Lap Sheathing Fabric 63.5 mm (2 1/2”) minimum at intersections.
3. If using roller, brush, or trowel application, allow to dry to the touch before applying Senershield-R to entire wall surface. If spraying, “wet on wet” application is acceptable.

3. a. Apply Senershield-R to concrete, DensGlass™ or DensElement exterior sheathing, eXP™ sheathing, GlasRoc® sheathing, Securock™ glass-mat sheathing, Weather Defense™ Platinum sheathing, GreenGlass® sheathing, PermaBase™ cement-board by National Gypsum and other cement-boards (ASTM C1325 Type A Exterior) and gypsum sheathing (ASTM C79/ASTM C1396) with a 20 mm (3/4”) nap roller, stainless steel trowel, brush or spray gun to a consistent, minimum 10 wet mil thickness that is free of voids and pin holes. A fully loaded roller pad is required to obtain a consistent, minimum 10 wet mil thickness. Backrolling may be needed to produce a pinhole-free film.
Note: Refer to Spray Application technical bulletin for spray application equipment and application instructions.

b. Apply Senershield-R to plywood, OSB or CMU substrate(s) with a 20 mm (3/4") nap roller or spray to a consistent, minimum 10 wet mil thickness. Prior to application of the second coat, visually inspect to assure sheathing surface is blister free and coating is free of voids and pinholes. Repair if needed and then apply a second coat after the initial coating is sufficiently dry. **Note: A minimum of two (2) 10 mil wet coats of Senershield-R is required over OSB, plywood and CMU. Senershield-R may be sprayed to a 20-mil thickness over OSB and plywood in one wet application. Backrolling may be needed to produce a pinhole-free film.**

Drying Time
Allow to dry completely, typically 2 to 10 hours, before proceeding with EIFS or other cladding installation. Protect from rain and from temperatures less than 4°C (40°F) for 24 hours.

For Best Performance
Prior to application of EPS insulation boards for EIFS or alternative claddings, visually inspect the Senershield-R for voids, pinholes, surface deficiencies, etc. Repair deficiencies and areas that are not intact. Apply additional Senershield-R as necessary such that Senershield-R is free of voids, pinholes, etc. All sheathing joints, terminations, inside and outside corners must be reinforced with 4", 6" or 9" Sheathing Fabric or WS Flash 4 or 9 or treated with MaxFlash. Reference Air/Vapor/Water-Resistive Barrier Guidelines technical bulletin for proper treatment of rough openings and sheathing joints.
LIMITATIONS
Shipping & Storage
Protect BASF materials during transportation and installation to avoid physical damage. Store BASF materials in a cool, dry place protected from freezing. Store at no less than 4°C (40°F). Protect from extreme heat and direct sunlight.

Stacking
Do not stack pallets.

Shelf Life
Approximately 2 years, properly stored in original containers.

TECHNICAL SUPPORT
Consult the BASF Wall Systems Technical Services Department for specific recommendations concerning all other applications. Consult the Senergy website, www.senergy.basf.com, for additional information about products and systems and for updated literature.

HEALTH AND SAFETY
Follow good safety and industrial hygiene practices during handling and installing products and systems. Take necessary precautions and wear the appropriate personal protective equipment as needed. Read Safety Data Sheet (SDS) and related literature on this product before specification and/or installation.

Solids
74% solids

VOC Content
11 g/l, or 0.09 lbs/gal less water and exempt solvents per ASTM D2369 (based in part on EPA method 24).

For medical emergencies only call CHEMTREC at (800) 424-9300.

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