# **ENVIROSHIELD WALL SYSTEM**

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#### ENVIRO-SHIELD WALL SYSTEM INSTALLATION MANUAL

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#### <u>1.0</u> <u>General</u>

The Enviro-Shield Insulation System provides a unique and controlled way to insulate new buildings with loose-fill cellulose insulation. The system not only describes how to prepare and insulate assemblies but also defines and lists suitable materials and equipment.

The benefits of insulating buildings with loose-fill cellulose insulation is that it provides the end user with a product offering superior thermal and acoustical resistance properties. These properties are achieved by the products ability to resist heat losses due to air infiltration and convection. The reduction in losses are achieved because the insulation makes contact with all cavity surfaces, can conform around fixtures, plumbing and wiring and is compressed to a density higher than conventional batt type insulations.

#### <u>Approvals</u>

#### <u>2.0</u>

2.1 Insulation

Debert Facility:

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- 2.2 Insulating CCMC Report # 12420 system
- 3.0 Standards
- 3.1 Insulation CAN/ULC-S703-01
- 3.2 Vapour Barrier CAN/CGSB 51.34-M86

3.3 Insulating CCMC Masterformat 07215.5

System

#### 4.0 Installer Requirements

4.1 **General** - Installers must conduct all installations in accordance with the manual. The installer should carefully read this manual and become familiar with system principles, installation and quality control procedures prior to installing insulation. Any individual may install insulation under the Enviro-Shield System provided they have been trained by Thermo-Cell or are acting under the guidance of a certified instructor or installer. 4.2 **Training** - Installers using the Enviro-Shield System must successfully complete a training program by a designated instructor for all application types (e.g. standard wood frame, steel stud, cathedral ceilings, etc.). The installer shall be thoroughly instructed on system principles, installation and quality control procedures for all application types in order to ensure the insulation is installed to its proper density.

Upon successful completion of the training, installers and businesses will be issued a certificate of completion. For new installers to be added to a company directory, please contact Thermo-Cell.

#### 5.0 Materials

5.1 **Insulation** - The system has been designed to be used exclusively with Thermoshield Insulation manufactured by Thermo-Cell.

#### 5.2 Retaining Membrane

Both 6 mil CGSB polyethylene vapour barrier and spun polypropylene netting are suitable membranes in which to install the insulation behind. The following sections discuss in more detail usage and limitations more fully and describe various methods and materials suitable to securely fasten the membrane to the face of framing members.

5.2.1 **Vapour Barrier Film** - The vapour barrier system is designed to eliminate the need to apply both a mesh and a vapour barrier to the exterior wall. However, its installation requires more skill since loosely fitting poly will stretch and bulge to a greater extent. Cavities with excessive bulge will in turn make drywall installation more difficult .The use of this vapour barrier film is suitable for use on standard wood and steel frame construction. It can be secured to the wall using either drywall shims, resilient channels or wood or steel furring.

The use vapour barrier membranes with the drywall shim fastening method is limited for use on standard 400 mm (16") centre wood or steel frame construction due to the inability of the vapour barrier to resist excessive bulging at greater framing member spacing. If framing member are spaced greater than 400 mm (16") the use of wood or steel furring must be employed.

5.2.2 **Netting** - The use of netting to insulate cavities has the advantages of being easier to install, does not required drywall shims and allows a wall to be insulated in a shorter period of time. Netting is suitable for use on standard wood or steel frame construction having framing members spaced up to 600 mm (24") centres. For wood framed walls with framing members spaced up to 24" O.C. centre and cathedral ceilings with framing member spaced no more than 16" O.C the netting can be fastened directly to the framing members with standard 13 mm (0.5") staples. Netting for all other applications should be fastened the framing members with either resilient channels or wood furring.

- 5.3 **Vapour Barrier Patch** Either 6 mil CGSB polyethylene film used in conjunction with acoustical caulking or sheathing tape approved by Thermo-Cell is suitable to repair pierced vapour barrier.
- 5.4 **Air Flow Vents** Cardboard or polystyrene air flow vents approved by Thermo-Cell are required to provide adequate ventilation in sloped or cathedral ceiling applications.
- 5.5 **Plastic Strapping** 16 mm wide (5/8) polyester (PET) plastic strapping can be used for various wood and steel frame applications to fasten vapour barrier retaining membrane to structural members.

#### 6.0 Blowing Equipment

6.1 **Equipment** - The Enviro-Shield system can be used with any commercially available blowing equipment provided it has suitable air flow and material feed controls and is in good working order. However, it is recommended that you consult with a Thermo-Cell representative on determining the suitability of your equipment.

Blowing equipment should be equipped with 23 to 45 metres (75' to 150') of hose. The hose may be comprised of either 44 mm (2"), 64 mm (2.5") or 76.2 mm (3") diameter hose or any combination thereof. When installing insulation directly behind vapour barrier it is recommenced that a membrane piercing nozzle be used on the end of the hose.

- 6.2 **Inspection** Ensure the blowing equipment is in good working order and has no missing, broken or worn parts.
- 6.3 **Calibration** Calibrations are based on the type of membrane, length(s) and diameter(s) of the hose, type of framing, framing member spacing and depth. Calibrations should be performed with a filled hopper and maintained at a full level throughout the calibration test. Equipment supplied by Thermo-Cell has been pre-calibrated. All other equipment will have to be field calibrated.
- 6.4 **Field Calibration** The initial field calibration step will be to roughly adjust the feed gate and air settings. As a general rule the feed gate should be set to deliver material at a rate of 400 450 kg (875 1000 lb) per hour for solid wood frame vapour barrier configurations and depending on the capability of the equipment 510 680 kg (1125 1500 lb) per hour for all other configurations. The air should then be adjusted such that the hose can be blocked with a reasonable amount of force [1 kg (2.2 lb) pressure].

Test cavities should be prepared and blown according to section 7.0 and 8.0. The air and/or feed gate settings should then be adjusted such that a target installed density of 48 kg/m<sup>3</sup> (3.00 p.c.f.) or 45 kg/m<sup>3</sup> (2.8 lb/ft <sup>3</sup>) can be consistently achieved throughout the test wall or ceiling assembly respectively. To verify the target density use procedure 10.2 Density verification.

The calibration settings, hose specification, motor speed (if applicable), membrane type and type of framing should then be recorded and placed in the manual (See Appendix B).

6.5 **Equipment Maintenance** - Equipment maintenance shall be the responsibility of the installation company. If deemed necessary, equipment may be subject to periodic checkups by a qualified Thermo-Cell employee. It is strongly recommended that components susceptible to wear (e.g. feeder seals) be replaced in accordance with a regular overall maintenance program. Indications that components are worn can be characterized by the need to turn air settings high and feed settings low in order to achieve sufficient blowing pressure or the inability of the equipment to achieve maintain a constant air pressure through the blowing cycle.

#### 7.0 Pre-Installation Procedures

- 7.1 **Precautions** Maintain building, electrical, gas and oil safety code clearances between the insulation and heat emitting devices, such as fuel burning appliances, chimney pipes, ducts and vents to these appliances (at least 50 mm) and recessed light fixtures (at least 75 mm) unless approved for insulation contact.
- 7.2 **Bag Usage** The contractor should determine the total wall and/or ceiling area to be insulated excluding openings. The number of bags of insulation required can then be determined using Table 1 located in Appendix A.

## 7.3 Wall Preparation

- 7.3.1 Above Grade Check with the builder and/or local building inspector for sealing requirements of the wall, ceiling, window and door frames. If a vapour barrier retaining membrane is used ensure all preparation is complete prior to the application of membrane. If mesh is used, assemblies should be sealed after the insulation has been installed behind the mesh but prior to or during the application of the vapour barrier.
- 7.3.2 **Below Grade** To protect insulation from potential moisture damage due to leaking basement walls it is recommended that a continuous moisture barrier, such as CGSB polyethylene film or air barrier, be used against the foundation wall.

Prior to insulating any below grade walls, notify your local building office that the basement walls will be blown and if necessary provide them with a copy of the CCMC report. It is also important to inform the builder in advance that a barrier must be applied to the foundation wall prior to the construction of the wood frame wall.

If using an air barrier, it should extend the full height of the wall. When installing vapour barrier ensure that it is placed approximately 152 mm (6") above the grade line. Fastening of the barrier to the foundation wall may be accomplished with a bead of acoustical caulking placed on the foundation wall. The film joints should overlap by 150 mm and be sealed with caulking or approved sheathing tape.

Once the barrier is applied to the foundation wall the interior wood frame wall can be erected. In order to provide additional protection against moisture damage the bottom wall plate should be placed a minimum of 19 mm (3/4") off the basement floor. When installing full height insulation, excess vapour barrier extending out from the bottom of the frame wall can be folded up and fastened to the studs to provide additional protection against moisture damage. When not installing full height insulation cut the excess off at the bottom of the wall.

7.4 Sloped or Cathedral Ceiling Ventilation - All sloped ceiling spaces require unobstructed continuous ventilation along the length of the cavity. Please check local and provincial building codes for specific requirements. To provide continuous ventilation along the length of the roof rafters or trusses, cardboard or foam vents may be employed. Cardboard vents can be secured along the length of the rafters or to top cord and webs of trusses using standard 13 mm (0.5") deep staples spaced 75 to 100 mm (3 - 4") apart. Foam vents can be secured directly to the roof sheathing using 13 mm (0.5") deep staples. The adjoining ends of foam vents should be separated from one another by a 25 mm (1") gap.

# 8.0 Installation Procedures

#### 8.1 Retaining Membrane

The following sections describes how to fasten the both vapour barrier or netting membranes to either wood or steel frame assemblies. For below grade applications, we recommend using netting only, unless the basement is in an area with more than 5000 heating degree-days. In this case, install a layer of vapour barrier over the netting.

# 8.1.1 Vapour Barrier - Wood Frame Construction

Polyethylene vapour barrier can be installed using either the plastic strapping or resilient channel/wood furring fastening method. Plastic strapping is employed on standard 400 mm (16") construction and the wood furring method is used on 600 mm (24") centre construction or in assemblies requiring a minimum RSI - 4 (R-22). Resilient channels may be used in place of wood furring and has the added benefit of providing additional sound insulation value.

- 8.1.1.1 **Plastic Strapping Method** Initially fastened to the top, bottom and sides of all wall or ceiling sections through the use of standard 13 mm (0.5") staples spaced every 76 mm (3") to 102 mm (4") apart. Using 15 mm (5/8") or wider plastic strapping and a minimum 13 mm (0.5") long heavy gauge steel staples spaced approximately 152 mm (6") apart, fasten the poly to the face of each stud and top plate.
- 8.1.1.2 **Furring/Resilient Fastening Method** Initially secure the film to the top, bottom and

sides of all wall or ceiling sections through the use of 13 mm (0.5") staples spaced every 76 mm (3") to 102 mm (4") apart. Using channels or furring fasten the poly to the face of each framing member. Placement and fastening of furring may be done on either 400 mm (16") spacing for 19 mm x 64 mm (1"x3") furring or 600 mm (24") spacing for 19 mm x 89 mm (1"x4") furring. Furring must be fastened to the framing with not less than 51 mm (2") nails. Placement and fastening of resilient channels should be done on 400 mm (16") spacing and fastened to the framing with not less than 51 mm (2") nails. For more details please consult your local building office. Once the furring has been applied, the vapour barrier can be further secured to the face of each stud using 13 mm (0.5") staples spaced every 76 mm (3") to 102 mm (4") apart.

If required, an additional RSI 0.5 (R-2.8) can be obtained on stud walls to achieve a total rating of RSI 4.0 (R-22.8) if the vapour barrier is loosely applied to the assembly and not fastened to the face of each stud. This will allow the insulation to bulge up between the channels or furring and onto the stud faces thereby increasing the effective insulation depth to 19 mm (3/4"). In this applications the film should be initially hung to the top of the wall section through the use of 13 mm (0.5") staples spaced every 150 mm (6") to 300 mm (12") apart. Once secured, the barrier should then be loosely draped and stapled to the bottom plate of the wall such that there are no folds or wrinkles in the film. Strapping can then be applied by working from the top of the assembly to the bottom. When applying the strapping ensure the film remains loose.

**PLEASE NOTE**: If a structure has not been designed to accommodate strapped walls and ceilings the home owner, builder and the building inspector should be consulted prior to installing the channels/furring. This will ensure that appropriate allowances for the application of the vapour barrier, electrical boxes, window extensions and other fixtures, are made prior to the installation of the channels/furring.

# 8.1.2 Vapour Barrier - Steel Frame Construction

Polyethylene vapour barrier can be installed with either a dry wall shim or resilient channel/steel furring fastening method. As in wood frame construction, the drywall shim method is only used on standard 400 mm (16") centre construction and the resilient channel/steel furring method is used on 600 mm (24") centre construction or in assemblies requiring a minimum RSI - 4 (R-22). Similarly, the use of resilient channels has the added benefit of providing additional sound insulation over steel furring.

8.1.2.1 **Plastic Strapping Method** - For load bearing steel studs, initially secure the membrane to the top, bottom and sides of all wall or ceiling sections through the use of standard 13 mm (0.5") steel drill screws and drywall shims. Using additional shims and a minimum 13 mm (0.5") long steel drill screws spaced approximately 152 mm (6") apart fasten the poly to the face of each stud and top plate ensuring a taut surface is achieved.

For non-load bearing steel studs (i.e less than 0.69 mm (.027") thick) the vapour barrier

can alternately be applied to the assembly using plastic strapping and 9.5 mm (3/8") wide by 13 mm (0.5") deep heavy gauge staples spaced approximately 152 mm (6") apart. The membranes can be fastened to the face of each cavity using the same procedure as outlined in section 8.1.1.

8.1.2.2 **Furring/Resilient Channel Fastening Method** - Secure the film across the top member of the assembly using of 13 mm (0.5") steel screws with washers or with screws and a channel/furring strip. The hung film can then be fastened to the framing members by applying the channel/furring in a successive fashion working from the top of the assembly to the bottom. Ensure the membrane is as tight as possible as each successive channel/furring is applied. Placement and fastening of the channels or furring can be done on 400 mm (16") centres for 600 mm (24") spaced members or 600 mm (24") centres for 300 mm (12") or 400 mm (16") spaced members. Channels should be fastened to the members with not less than 13 mm (0.5") steel drill screws. For more details please consult with your local building office. Once the channels/furring have been applied, the vapour barrier can be further secured to the face of each member using steel drill screws with washers spaced every 152 mm (6") to 203 mm (8") apart.

**PLEASE NOTE:** If a structure has not been designed to accommodate strapped walls and ceilings the home owner, builder and the building inspector should be consulted prior to employing this fastening system. This will ensure that appropriate allowances for the application of the vapour barrier, electrical boxes, window extensions and other fixtures, are made prior to the installation of the channels/furring.

# 8.1.3 Netting - Wood Frame Construction

For wood framed walls with framing members spaced up to 24" O.C. centre and cathedral ceilings with framing member spaced no more than 16" O.C the netting can be fastened directly to the framing members with standard 13 mm (0.5") staples. Netting for all other applications (i.e. ceilings with framing members spaced more that 16" on centre) should be fastened the framing members with either resilient channels or wood furring.

- 8.1.3.1 Direct Method Initially fastened to the top, bottom and sides of all wall or ceiling sections through the use of standard 13 mm (0.5") staples spaced every 76 mm (3") to 102 mm (4") apart. Once completed, fastening the netting to all remaining framing members using the same staples and staple spacing.
- 8.1.3.2 **Furring/Resilient Channel Method** Use the procedure defined in 8.1.1.2.

#### 8.1.4 Netting - Steel Construction

The use of netting in steel frame construction has no direct benefit over vapour barrier in terms of ease and speed of application or speed at which the insulation can be installed. This is due to the ability of the air used during insulation application to freely travel out of the cavity through the pre-stamped wire and plumbing openings located on each stud. Thus the rate at which the insulation can be installed may be increased without the risk of the hose blocking.

In circumstances where a vapour barrier is not required or netting is specified on the job the netting can be fastened to the framing members with either resilient channel, metal furring (steel strapping) or drywall shims. The procedures to fasten the netting using the different fastening systems is the same as vapour barrier procedures described in sections 8.1.2.

**PLEASE NOTE:** If a structure has not been designed to accommodate strapped walls and ceilings the home owner, builder and the building inspector should be consulted prior to employing this fastening system. This will ensure that appropriate allowances for the application of the vapour barrier, electrical boxes, window extensions and other fixtures, are made prior to the installation of the channels/furring.

# 8.2 Filling Procedure

8.2.1 **General** - Prior to installing the insulation adjust the equipment to the precalibrated settings and ensure the hopper is filled with insulation. One operator should remain with the machine at all times and ensure the hopper is maintained at a constant level. If the hopper is allowed to empty or over-filled the blowing parameters will change resulting to high or low an installed density respectively.

#### 8.2.2

#### Walls (Above and Below Grade)

The first step is to cut or pierce a point of entry for the hose approximately 305 mm (12") to 406 mm (16") inches from the top of the cavity. The hose can then be lowered into the cavity such that the end of the hose sits 152 mm (6") to 305 mm (12") inches off the bottom of the cavity. The machine can then be started and insulation injected into the cavity.

As the cavity fills, insulation material will pack around the nozzle until excessive back pressure causes the hose to back-up. Once this occurs, the hose should be immediately withdrawn up the cavity, approximately 305 mm (12"), such that the hose unblocks and the next section of the cavity begins to fill with insulation.

The process of raising the hose and allowing it to back-up in successive stages is repeated until the portion of the cavity below the hose entrance is completely filled with insulation. The portion of the cavity above the hose entrance is filled by quickly inverting the nozzle and filling the remainder of the cavity with insulation until the hose backs-up.

#### 8.2.3 Sloped or Cathedral Ceilings

The installation procedure for ceilings is the same as wall procedure except that cavities longer than 3 metres (10 feet) must be blown in stages. This is due to the fact that it is difficult to lower the hose more than 3 metres down the cavity without having the hose bunch and it is more difficult to control hose direction.

When filling cavities behind vapour barrier remember to blow sufficient material around the hose entrance (approx. 300 to 600 mm (1 - 2 ft)) prior to blowing the next stage. This will prevent insulation from spilling out of the pierced membrane when the next stage is blown.

In open web truss systems it should be noted that the hose must be inserted and lowered along the side of the cavity closest to the previously insulated cavity. This will prevent excessive material from spilling into the adjacent uninsulated cavity and thus reduce the potential problem of trying to lower the hose down an obstructed cavity. If insulation does spill into the adjacent cavity, prior to blowing the hose should be forced as deeply as possible into the material. This will help ensure the insulation in this area is adequately packed. In cases where it is not possible to adequately force the hose into the material, or the material does not get adequately packed upon filling, another hole should be made in the middle of the soft area and additional insulation blown in.

# 9.0 Post Installation Procedures

Upon completion of the job the installer should perform a visual inspection to ensure all cavities have been filled and are firm to the touch. The installer should then determine if the correct number of bags where installed. If the actual number of bags is less than the calculated the installer should then establish which cavities are softer than the others and top up those cavities. This can be done by piercing a hole in the soft area, physically compressing the material by hand, inserting the hose and filling the created void.

A quick hammer test can also be performed on any suspect cavities. This is done by hitting the studs, rafters or trusses of randomly selected cavities with a heavy hammer a number of times. The material in the cavity should not slip or move in any way if the correct amount of insulation has been installed. If the material within the cavity moves then additional insulation should be packed into the cavity.

Once the installer is satisfied with the outcome of the job the wall cavities exhibiting excessive bulge [i.e. greater than 13 mm (0.5")] can be rolled. Do not push the roller below the face of the framing members. Over compression of the material in the cavity may result in separation and/or settlement problems. A slight bulge is always desirable in order to ensure continuous contact of the insulation with the drywall.

For vapour barrier systems, once the cavities have passed inspection the pierced poly should be repaired and sealed with sheathing tape or using caulking and a strip of 6 mil polyethylene vapour barrier.

#### 10.0 Quality Control

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- 10.1 **Pre-Inspection** The installer is responsible for ensuring all fire codes are adhered to as it relates to insulating around recessed light fixtures not approved for insulation contact, chimneys, flue or other heat emitting devices. The installer shall also ensure that the cavities are prepared in accordance with this manual and that the machine is in good working order and set to the predetermined calibration settings.
- 10.2 **Density Verification** The installer should verify material density at the beginning, during and at the end of each job. A density check can be performed using one of two following methods.

The first method, suitable for both wall and ceiling applications, requires the installer to keep track of the number of bags of insulation blown for a specific area. By dividing the total area blown by the bags of insulation used, the coverage/bag can be determined. By comparing this value to the appropriate value, given in Table 1 of Appendix A the installer can determine how close he

or she is to the target density of 48 kg/m $^3$  or 40.5 kg/m $^3$  (3.0 lb/ft $^3$  , 2.5 lb/ft $^3$  ).

The second method, designed specifically for wall applications, requires the installer to keep track of the number of bags used and the number of cavities blown. By dividing the number of cavities blown by the appropriate cavity/bag value, given in Table 2 of Appendix A, the installer can determine the number of bags required. By comparing this value to the actual number of bags used the installer can determine whether the cavities are being under or over-blown.

If the actual value is less than the design (theoretical) value then the equipment should be adjusted. By increasing the amount of air and/or reducing the amount of material, the cavity density can be increased.

If density problems persist please refer to trouble shooting guide 10.6. If problems still persist, it is the responsibility of the installer to contact a Thermo-Cell representative immediately such that appropriate action can be taken. **Quality Monitoring** - Throughout the job the installer shall ensure through periodic bag counts that the correct amount of material is being installed. If quality problems are encountered on the job the contractor should consult with the manufacturer prior to continuing with the job in order to resolve the problem. It is also strongly recommended that the installer keep a copy of the information card which is given to the customer or builder on file in event of a warranty claim.

Post Inspection - The installer shall be responsible for visually and physically inspecting the job to verify that all wall and ceiling cavities contain enough insulation and are firm to the touch. A random hammer test should also be performed. If any under blown areas are located, the installer should top up the cavity.

- 10.5 **Information Cards** Upon request the installer shall fill out and provide the home owner, customer or builder an information card.
- 10.6 **Trouble Shooting** The following chart can be used as a guideline for common installation problems.

PROBLEM	CAUSE	SOLUTION
Overblown	-To much air -Not enough material -Feeder low or out of hopper material.	-Reduce air -Increase material -Ensure feeder does not run low or out of material.
Under-blown	-Not enough air -Too much material -Material is packing in the hose.	-Reduce air -Reduce material -Do not over fill or pack the feeder.
Hose Blocks	-Not enough air -Too much material -Loss of air pressure due to leaking hose or feeder seals -Too much hose	<ul> <li>Increase air</li> <li>Decrease material</li> <li>Repair hose and/or replace feeder seals</li> <li>Check hose length or increase air or decrease material to compensate for extra hose</li> </ul>
Staple Popping	-Overblowing cavities -Feeder low or out of material	-See "Overblown Cavities" -Ensure feeder does not run low or out of material

-Feeder low or out of material -Incorrect, type, size, number, orientation or spacing of staples -See Overblowin Cavities -Ensure feeder does not run low or out of material -Ensure the correct staples are used and orientation is perpendicular to the grain of the wood

#### 11.0 Areas of Application

The Enviro-Shield system is intended to be used to insulate conventional exterior

walls, ceilings and floors of new buildings which employ wood or steel framing members in combination with an rigid exterior surface and polyethylene vapour barrier or netting membrane located on the inside surface.

The system can also be used to insulate interior load bearing and non-load bearing walls, joist headers, rim joists and basement walls.

#### 12.0 Cautions and Limitations

12.1 **General -** To avoid possible irritation to the skin, eyes and throat, the installer should wear a NIOSH/OSHA approved dust mask, eye protection, gloves and suitable work clothing during material handling or installation.

Only CGSB approved vapour barrier or netting approved by Thermo-Cell can be used as a retaining membrane with this system. Only sheathing tape or strips of CGSB vapour barrier used in conjunction with acoustical caulking and can be used to repair the pierced vapour barrier.

The building shell must be in place with windows, rain screen and drainage mechanisms constructed before the insulation is installed.

All installed insulation must be protected against possible mechanical damage or physical abuse and should be protected by a rigid covering such as gypsum board, plywood, OSB, etc.. Additionally, polyethylene vapour barrier will expand and contract when exposed to temperature fluxuations. To protect against possible sagging of the insulation due to expanding and contracting vapour barrier all insulation installed behind vapour barrier must also be protected by a rigid covering.

12.2 **Below Grade** - Installation of the loose-fill cellulose insulation system shall be limited to basement walls that have an explicit drainage layer on the exterior of the basement wall from ground level to footing (i.e. semi-rigid dimpled polyethylene products, exterior insulations) *or* the exterior face of the concrete must have waterproofing or damp-proofing. If damp-proofing, then all cracks must be sealed to prevent future water entry.

Installations on cast-in-place concrete basement walls shall not occur before 45 days after casting of the concrete.

It is not recommended to insulate basement walls in areas prone to flooding or sewer back-up. In order to reduce potential damage caused when flooding or sewer back-up occurs it is recommended that the bottom 150 mm (6") to 200 mm (8") of the basement wall be blocked off and left un-insulated.

#### 13.0 Warranty

The installed insulation is guaranteed in accordance with the information card and against settlement for the normal life of the building, provided the material is installed according to this manual. Settlement liability will be limited to the installation of additional insulation provided a copy of the information card and proof of purchase is supplied to Thermo-Cell.

In no event shall Thermo-Cell be responsible or liable for any other damages arising from the improper installation whether such damages be direct, indirect, consequential or otherwise. This warranty excludes all damages resulting from defects or deterioration in the structure, physical or mechanical abuse and/or acts of nature.

# APPENDIX A

#### TABLE 1: ENVIRO-SHIELD COVERAGE CHARTS

	Wood Frame Wall Construction											
Stu	ld Size	Thermal F	Resistance	Covera	ge /Bag	Bag Requirements						
in.	in. mm R RSI		lb/ft <sup>3</sup>	kg/m <sup>3</sup>	1000 ft <sup>2</sup>	100m <sup>2</sup>						
2 X 4	X 4 38 X 89 12.8 2.26		32.7	3.04	30.6	32.9						
2 X 6 38 X 140		20.2	3.56	20.8	1.93	48.0	51.6					

#### Steel Stud Wall Construction

	Stud Size		Thermal F	Resistance	Covera	ge /Bag	Bag Requirements		
	in.	in. mm F		RSI	lb/ft <sup>3</sup>	kg/m <sup>3</sup>	1000 ft <sup>2</sup>	100m <sup>2</sup>	
	2 x 4	2 x 4 30 x 91 13.1		2.31	27.9 2.59		35.8	38.5	
	2 x 6 30 x 152		22.0	3.87	16.6	1.54	60.0	64.6	

When utilizing the drywall shim fastening system the effective thermal resistance and material requirements are increased by approximately R-0.34 (RSI-0.06) and 2% respectively.

Steel stud values apply regardless of stud spacing. For wood frame construction on 24" centre spacing add 3% to the material requirements.

Effective thermal resistance can be increased by R-2.7 (RSI 0.48) by installing insulation behind loosely hung vapour barrier which is fastened to the assembly with 1" thick (nominal) strapping (furring). The corresponding increase in material requirements for 2x4 and 2x6 's are 18% and 11% respectively.

#### **Sloped or Cathedral Ceiling Applications**

Thermal Resistance		Minimum	Thickness	Covera	ige/bag	Bag Requirements		
R	RSI	in.	mm	ft <sup>2</sup> m <sup>2</sup>		1000 ft <sup>2</sup>	100 m <sup>2</sup>	
28	4.93	7.6	194	15.5	1.43	64.5	70.0	
32	5.64	8.7	221	13.5	1.25	74.0	80.0	
40 7.04		10.9	277	10.8	1.00	92.5	100.0	

Values apply regardless of framing member spacing.

To calculate the number of bags required, divide the area to be insulated (excluding window, door and any other opening) by the appropriate coverage per bag value.

### TABLE 2: COVERAGE CHARTS BASED ON CAVITIES/BAG

38 X 89 mm (2 x 4) Wood Frame Construction									
Stud S	pacing	Wall I	Cavities/Bag						
in.	mm	ft	m						
			2.4	3.1					
16	400	10	3.0	2.4					

38 X 140 mm (2 x 6) Wood Frame Construction									
Stud S	spacing	Wall I	Height	Cavities/Bag					
in.	mm	ft	m						
		8	2.4	2.0					
			3.0	1.5					
16	400	12	3.7	1.3					
		8	2.4	1.3					
			3.0	1.0					
24	600	12	3.7	0.8					

	30 X 91 mm (2 x 4) Steel Frame Construction										
Stud S	Spacing	Wall I	Wall Height								
in.	mm	ft	m	Cavities/Bag							
		8	2.4	2.6							
			3.0	2.1							
16	400	12	3.7	1.7							
		8	2.4	1.7							
		10	3.0	1.4							
24	24 600		3.7	1.2							

30 X 152 mm (2 x 6) Steel Frame Construction									
Stud S	Spacing	Wall I	Wall Height						
in.	mm	ft	m						
		8	2.4	1.6					
			3.0	1.3					
16	400	12	3.7	1.0					
		8	2.4	1.0					
			3.0	0.8					
24	600	12	3.7	0.7					

To calculate the number of bags required, divide the total number of cavities by the appropriate cavity/bag value.

# APPENDIX B



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	cation ( tall only –					23.25 lbs (10.6 kg)				INS553LD-CAN	
	Thermal Resistance Thickness				n Design Thickness	Maximum Coverage Per Bag (no adjustment for framing)				Bags Required	
						Mass Per	Unit Area	Maximum Cov	verage per Bag	100 m2	100 <del>ft</del> 2
RSI m <sup>2</sup> KW	R Value h ft² F/Btu	mm	inch	nn	inch	kg/m²	P45	m²/Bag	H2/Bag	Bags	Bags
1.8	10	76.9	3.0	69	2.7	1.70	0.35	6.2	66.6	16.2	15.0
3,5	20	153.8	6.1	137	5.4	3.41	0.70	3.1	33.3	32.3	30.0
5.3	30	230.7	9.1	206	8.1	5.11	1.05	2.1	22.2	48.5	45.0
7.1	40	307.5	12.1	275	10.8	6.82	1.40	1.5	16.7	64.6	60.1
8.8	50	384.4	15.1	343	13.5	8.52	1.75	1.2	13.3	80.8	75.1
10.6	60	461.3	18.2	412	16.2	10.23	2.09	1.0	11.1	97.0	90.1
12.3	70	538.2	21.2	481	18.9	11.93	2.44	0.9	9.5	113.1	105.1
14.1	80	615.1	24.2	549	21.6	13,63	2.79	0.8	8,3	129.3	120.1
15.9	90	692.0	27.2	618	24.3	15.34	15.34 3.14		7.4	145.5	135.1
17.6	100	768.9	30.3	686	27.0	17.04	3.49	0,6	6.7	161.6	150.2
1										ARD CAN/ULC S70	8-09. THE CHART IS

BASED ON SETLED THICKNESS AND IS FOR ESTIMATING PURPOSES ONLY AND ACTUAL COVERAGE IS NOT GUARANTEED BY THE MANUFACTURER. DO NOT EXCEED MAXIMUM COVERAGE PER BAG. THE APPLICATOR MUST INSTALL BOTH THE MINIMUM MUMBER OF BAGS PER UNIT AREA AND THE MINIMUM INSTALLED THICKNESS TO INSURE THE STATED R-VALUE HAS BEEN REACHED. FAILURE TO MEET BOTH THESE REQUIREMENTS MAY PREVENT THE APPLICATION OF SPECIFIED RVALUE. THIS PRODUCT IS INTENDED FOR DRY APPLICATION (ONLY, JOB CONDITIONS, APPLICATION TECHNIQUES, EQUIPMENT, AND SETTINGS CAN INFLUENCE ACTUAL COVERAGE. DO NOT ADD WATER TO THIS PRODUCT. MINIMUM NET WEIGHT IS 10.0 KG (22.1 LBS).

Dry Den	se Pao	k Side	wall Appli	cations (3.0 pcf minimum installed density)					23.2	5 lbs (10.6 kg) IN	S553-CAN
Nominal Stud Dimensions Thermal Resistan		Resistance		alled tness	Minimum Weight Per Unit Area		Maximum Coverage Per Bag (no adjustment for framing)				
		RSI	R Value					609 mm oc	24" Inches oc		
mm	Inch	m <sup>2</sup> K/W	h ft <sup>2</sup> F/Btu	mm	Inch	kg/m2	lbs./ft2	m²/Bag	ft <sup>2</sup> /Bag	m²/Bag	ft²/Bag
38 x 89	2x4	2.3	13	89	3.5	4.27	0.88	2.5	26.6	2.6	28.3
38 x 140	2x6	3.5	21	140	5.5	6.71	1.38	1.6	16.9	1.7	18.0
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R-value means resistance to heat flow - the higher the R-value, the greater the insulation power.

#### CERTIFICATION:

This insulation has been installed in conformance with the above recommendations, to provide a value of R-\_\_\_\_\_ using \_\_\_\_\_ bags of this insulation to cover \_\_\_\_\_ square feet of area.

Builder's Signature: \_ Company Name: \_\_\_\_ Date:

Applicator's Signature: \_ Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date:

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Thermoshield Insulation is guaranteed in accordance with R-Value stated above the normal life of the building, provided the material is installed according to manufacturers instructions. The liability of Greenfiber will be limited to the replacement of defective insulation or installation of additional insulation provided a copy of this completed card and proof of purchase is supplied to Greenfiber.

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THIS IS PROCELL GREEN TYPE 1 CELLULOSE LOOSE FILL INSULATION

25 lbs (11.3 kg) Application Coverage Chart ProCell Green Applied Thickness Settled Thickness Mass per Unit Area Coverage Per Bag # Baos Required Thermal Resistance IMTP2 (16/o2)  $f(2(ni^2))$ 100 m<sup>2</sup> 1000 82(6/2) RSI RValue mm la (pa) mm In (po) kg/m<sup>2</sup> -2 1.8 74.9 1.71 0.35 71.3 15.1 10 2.9 67 2.6 6.6 14.0 3,5 149.7 134 3.43 3,3 20 5.9 5.3 0.70 35.6 30.2 28.1 5.3 30 224.6 8.8 201 7.9 5.14 1.05 2.2 23.8 45.3 42.1 7.1 40 299.5 11.8 267 10,5 6.85 1.40 1.7 17.8 60,4 56.1 50 374.3 14.7 334 8,56 1.75 8.8 13.2 1.3 14.3 75.5 70.2 10,6 60 449.2 17.7 401 15.8 10.28 2.11 1.1 11.9 90.6 84.2 12.3 70 524.0 20.6 468 18,4 2.46 0.9 10.2 105.8 98.2 11.99 80 535 14.1 23.6 13.70 2.81 8.9 120.9 598.9 21.1 0.8 112.3 15.9 90 673.8 26.5 602 237 15 42 3.16 0.7 79 136.0 126.3 17.6 100 748.6 29.5 668 26.3 17.13 151.1 140.4 3.51 0.7 7.1

DESIGN DENSITY 1.6 ibs/t3 (25.6 kg/m3)Coverage per bag for wood framing includes a 10% correction factor (positiv R-VALUE 3.8/In (RSI 0.0263/mm) These charts represent average machine applied coverages which may be affected according to equipment and applicators' lechniques.

From R-40 or RSI-7.0, it may be necessary to bring a correction according to the application technique Coverage table values are based on 11.3 KG / 26 LBS nominal bag weight.

TYPE 1 (WALLS)				25 lbs (11.3 kg)				ProCell Green	
Thermal Resistance		Framing (Wood)		Mass per Unit Area		Coverage Per Bag		₽ Bags Required	
RSI	R Value	mm	in (po)	kg/m <sup>2</sup>	Ib/ft <sup>2</sup> (Ib/p <sup>2</sup> )	m <sup>2</sup>	ft <sup>2</sup> (pi <sup>2</sup> )	100 m <sup>2</sup>	1000 ft <sup>2</sup> (pi <sup>2</sup> )
2.3 3.6	12.8 20.2	38 x 89 38 x 140	2x4 2x6	3.7 5.9	0.8 1.2	3.0 1.9	32.3 20.8	33.0 52.0	31.0 48.0

For new construction, insulation must be installed in accordance to manufactures EnviroShield system specifications. Coverages are based on 16 inch (406 mm) centre construction. (CCMC Material Evaluation Report #12420R).



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CERTIFICATION:
This insulation has been installed in conformance with the above recommendations, to provide a value of R using bags of this insulation to cover square feet of area.
Builder's Signature:
Company Name:
Date:
Applicator's Signature:
Company Name:
Data:

Manufacturer's Warranty Applegate-Greenfiber (AGGF) warrants that ProCell Insulation is manufactured to meet or exceed product standards CANVLC-S703 and ASTM C-739.

ProCell Insulation is guaranteed to provide the thermal performance indicate above for the normal life of the building, provided the material is installed according to manufactures' instructions. The liability of AGGF will be limited to the replacement of defective insulation or installation of additional insulation provided a copy of this completed card and proof of purchase is supplied to AGGF.

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R-value means resistance to heat flow-the higher the R-value, the greater the insulation pow

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bags

This insulation has been installed in conformance with the above

recommendations, to provide a value of R-

of this insulation to cover \_\_\_\_\_\_ square feet of area.

#### CERTIFICATION:

Builder's Signature: Company Name: \_ Date:

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Application Coverage Chart				25 lbs (11.3 kg)				ProCell Blue	
Thermal Resistance		Applied Thickness		Mass per Unit Area		Coverage Per Bag		# Bags Required	
RSI	R Value	mm	in (po)	kg/m <sup>2</sup>	Ib/ft <sup>2</sup> (Ib/p <sup>2</sup> )	m²	ft²(pi²)	100 m <sup>2</sup>	1000 ft <sup>2</sup> (pi <sup>2</sup> )
1.8	10	69	2.7	1.4	0.3	7.9	85.4	12.6	11.7
3.5	20	137	5.4	2.9	0.6	4.0	42.7	25.2	23.4
5.3	30	206	8.1	4.3	0,9	2.6	28.5	37.8	35.1
7.1	40*	275	10.8	6.3	1.3	1.8	19.4	55.5	51.5
8.8	50*	343	13.5	7.9	1.6	1.4	15.5	69.3	64.4
10.6	60*	412	16.2	9.4	1.9	1.2	12.9	83.2	77.3
12.3	70**	481	18.9	11.5	2.4	1.0	10.6	101.5	94.3
14.1	80**	549	21.6	13.2	2.7	0.9	9.3	116.0	107.7
15.9	90**	618	24.3	14.8	3.0	0.8	8.2	130.5	121.2
17.6	100**	686	27.0	16.4	3.4	0.7	7.4	145.0	134.7
FOR ATTIC APPLICATIONS, USE APPROXIMATELY 2.25 LITTES OF WATER PER BAG OF INSULATION. These charts represent average machine applied overages which may be affected according to equipment and applicator's techniques. Coverage table values are based on 11.3 KG / 25 Lists normal bag weight "Between R40.5 HB0 Thermo-Cell advises to add 10% to the number of bags because as the thickness increases the density will also increase. "Between R40.5 HB0 Thermo-Cell advises to add 10% to the number of bags because as the thickness increases the density will also increase.									

THIS IS PROCELL BLUE TYPE 2 ALL BORATE BLEND OF STABILIZED CELLULOSE INSULATION

Above R80 Thermo-Cell recommends adding 15% to the number of bags because as the thickness incr es the density will also incr 25 lbs (11.3 kg) TYPE 2 (WALLS) ProCell Blue Mass per Unit Area Coverage Per Bag # Bags Required Thermal Resistance Framing (Wood) t<sup>2</sup>(pi<sup>2</sup> R Value mm Ib/ft<sup>2</sup> (Ib/p<sup>2</sup>) 1000 ft<sup>2</sup>(pi<sup>2</sup>) RSI In (po) kg/m<sup>2</sup> 100 m<sup>2</sup> 2.3 3.5 12.8 20.2 38 x 89 38 x 140 2x4 2x6 6.1 3.9 58.6 35.1 16.3 25.7 0.4 17.1 28.5 2.0 3.2 Mass per Unit Area Coverage Per Bag # Bags Regulred Thermal Resistance Framing (Steel) ᠓ O RSI R Value In (po) ko/m Ib/ft2 (Ib/p2) **m**2 the 100 m<sup>2</sup> 1000 ft<sup>2</sup>(pi<sup>2</sup>) ECOLOGO 2.3 13.1 38 x 91 2x4 2.1 0.4 5.4 58.6 18.4 17.1 EUGO PRODUCCENTELALMANC EVALUATION ALCOLO VIGLITZ COMPACTION ATTIGUES SPACE PARTY 21.9 3.5 3.5 38 x 152 2x6 0.7 3.3 35.1 30.7 28.5 K/W 25 lbs per bag udes a 10% correction factor (positive) Coverage per bag for wood framing includes a 10%

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# **MACHINE REGISTRATION FORM**

#### **COMPANY INFORMATION**

Name:		
Address:		
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Registration #:		
Registered By:		
Date:		
MACHINE	& CALIBRATION SPECIFIC	ATIONS

Type: \_\_\_\_\_ Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Model: \_\_\_\_\_ Motor Type & HP: \_\_\_\_\_

Hose Diameter(s): \_\_\_\_\_

HoseLength(s):

# **CALIBRATION SETTINGS**

	Wood Frame Walls With Vapour Barrier	Steel /Wood Frame Walls With Netting	Cathedral / Sloped Ceilings
Motor Speed (RPM) (If Applicable)			
Feed Gate Setting			
Air Setting/Pressure (With Material)			

<sup>1</sup> These settings are only a guideline and should be verified at the time of insulating.
 <sup>2</sup> These settings may also be used as a rough guideline for insulation blown behind vapour barrier.

# TRAINING CERTIFCATE FORMAT

# Enviro-Shield Installer Card Installer Name Company Name Company Address Company Phone # Registration # Training Date