

# WEATHERBOND™

## MATERIAL SAFETY SUMMARY

This section pertains to cautions, warnings and safety measures that must be addressed by the user of any WeatherBond material. **The WeatherBond Roofing Contractor must review this information as well as information contained in the Material Safety Data Sheets prior to the storage, handling or use of WeatherBond products.** It is the Contractors responsibility to periodically review other safety literature or manuals that have been published by organizations including, but not necessarily limited to, the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), and the Department of Labor. Building owners, specifiers or other maintenance personnel present at the job site during the installation of a Versico Roofing System must familiarize themselves with this information and the Material Safety Data Sheets.

### A. PRECAUTIONARY MEASURES

Adhesives, cleaners and sealants, as well as their fumes, contain petroleum distillates and are **EXTREMELY FLAMMABLE**. Do not breathe vapors. Maintain proper ventilation according to OSHA standards.

1. Store adhesives, cleaners and sealants away from heat, flame or sparks.
2. Post "NO SMOKING" signs close to areas where adhesives and sealants are being stored.
3. Equip the warehouse with a sufficient number of fire extinguishers according to local building codes; make them easily accessible and clearly marked.
4. Designate pedestrian traffic areas.
5. Maintain good housekeeping to prevent trips and falls.
6. Place a red caution label on containers prior to shipment.

### B. PRECAUTIONARY MEASURES DURING INSTALLATION

1. When loading materials onto the roof, exercise care to ensure that concentrated loads do not exceed the design load limitations of the existing roof structure.
2. Use proper stacking procedures to ensure sufficient stability of the materials.
3. **Adhesives and sealants are EXTREMELY FLAMMABLE.**
  - a. Do not use near heat, spark or flame or in a confined or unventilated area. Do not smoke while applying.

b. Ground all containers with ground wires and alligator clips when transferring from one container to another.

c. Avoid breathing vapors. When in use, place open containers downwind and away from the workmen.

Keep container closed when not in use. Care must be exercised to ensure that open containers are not placed near fresh air intake ventilators on the roof.

d. Avoid contact with eyes. Glasses, goggles, or a face shield are recommended for eye protection. If splashed in eyes, immediately flush with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes and contact a physician.

e. Avoid contact with skin. Special rubber gloves (recommended by WeatherBond) are required for hand protection. In case of contact with skin, thoroughly wash the affected area with soap and water.

5. Keep necessary equipment and materials on hand to clean up spills (such as, shovels, airtight metal containers, brooms and sawdust or other absorbent material).

6. Provide a sufficient number of fire extinguishers on the roof.

7. Exercise caution when walking on wet membrane. Membranes are slippery when wet.

8. **When a white membrane is used, sunglasses** which filter out ultraviolet light **are required** since the white surface intensifies sunlight through reflection.

In colder weather, the white surface of various WeatherBond membranes reflect heat and may promote slippery conditions due to ice and frost buildup which may not be visible. Exercise caution to prevent falls.

Care must be exercised when working close to a roof edge when surrounding area is snow covered; **roof edge may not be clearly visible.**

9. A hard hat should be worn in hazardous work areas.

10. Use, as the occasion warrants, skin creams or emollients, rubber boots and freshly laundered long sleeve shirts or protective clothing.

**C. DISPOSAL**

**Disposal of any waste material, including all adhesive cans and containers, in accordance with all Federal, State and Local regulations.**

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