**Description**

Premier Coating Rock Shield SD is a flexible padding designed for the protection of the corrosion coating on pipelines when rocky backfill is encountered. The product is manufactured from high density polyethylene (HDPE) incorporating a special expansion process to provide compressive strength and flexibility. It is extruded into a diamond mesh pattern.

**Uses**

Designed for the protection of the corrosion coating on pipelines when rocky backfill is encountered.

**Features**

- Absorbs impact of uneven backfill
- Protects pipe coating from protruding rocks in trench
- Minimizes abrasion of coating from pipe movement underground
- Protects pipe during future excavations
- Unaffected by temperature extremes and wet weather
- Maintains cathodic protection without inhibiting cathodic flow
- Cushions against concrete weights
- Cuts with a utility knife
- Easy to install

**Application**

For pipe diameters 18" (450mm) or less: Unroll material parallel to the pipe and wrap around pipe (longitudinal “cigarette” wrap). Then, fasten with tape, buckles or cable ties.

For pipe diameters greater than 18" (450mm): Sheets need to be pre-cut to match pipe circumference (refer to chart on back). Next, wrap sheets around pipe width (spiral wrap). Then, fasten with tape, buckles or cable ties.
# Property Specifications

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<th>Properties</th>
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<tr>
<td>Thickness</td>
<td>0.14 in</td>
<td>3.56 mm</td>
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<tr>
<td>Weight</td>
<td>0.10 lbs/ft² ±0.02</td>
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<td>Polymer Material</td>
<td>HDPE</td>
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<td>Material Structure</td>
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<td>Tensile Strength (ISO 10319)</td>
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<td>Elongation at Break (ISO 10319)</td>
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<td>Compressive Strength (ASTM 1621)</td>
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<td>Material Density (ISO 1872)</td>
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<td>Material Melt Index (ISO 1133)</td>
<td>0.44 - 1.32 x 10⁻³ lb/kg/10min</td>
<td>4.76 lb (2.2kg) / 374°F (190°C)</td>
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<td>Roll Width</td>
<td>5ft &amp; 6ft</td>
<td>1.52 &amp; 1.83 m</td>
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<td>Roll Length</td>
<td>100 ft</td>
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All the above information is given in good faith, but the figures are typical values only and should not be taken as a guarantee of performance. Manufacturing tolerances for dimensional and technical characteristics apply and are available upon request. The company reserves the right to improve the product and adjust the specification without notice.

*Calculations are based on 3/32" (0.20 mm) coating thickness*
Installation Guidelines & Methods

**Longitudinal Wrapping** For pipes with a circumference of less than 6" (150mm) in relation to the width of the Premier Coating Rock Shield SD:

1. Unroll the mesh parallel to the pipe which is to be protected.
2. Place the mesh below the pipe.
3. Wrap the mesh around the pipe, overlapping the edges by approx. 6" (150 mm)
4. The mesh can be secure by plastic straps or can be heat bonded by use of a gas torch and pressing the two surfaces together.

**Latitudinal Wrapping** For pipes with a larger circumference than the roll width:

1. Cut the mesh into pieces 4-6" (100-150 mm) extra than the circumference of the pipe.
2. Wrap the pipe with the mesh, overlapping the adjacent installed mesh by 6" (150 mm)
3. Fix the mesh with plastic straps or heat bond the longitudinal join using a gas torch and pressing the two surfaces together.

**Spiral Wrapping** This process can be applied to larger circumference pipes:

1. Start wrapping the pipe moving along the length of the pipe, so that the mesh overlaps slightly.
2. Use plastic strapping to secure the mesh in situ as the mesh is wrapped.
CUSTOM cut pads should be wrapped around the circumference of the pipe, covering all exposed areas. Ensure that all pads are of sufficient dimensions to protect the entire pipe.

All pad overlaps shall be placed at the 6 o'clock position of the pipe, taking care to secure the Premier Coating Rock Shield SD with polypropylene banding.

Place all end to end overlaps min. 2" / 50mm; all parallel pads overlaps min 6" / 150mm.

All pads shall be secured to the pipe by using min. 0.7" / 18mm wide polypropylene banding.

After pads are secured to the pipe, the backfill process may take place.

ROLLS

All rolls should be of adequate coverage to entirely cover the circumference of the pipe.

Premier Coating Rock Shield SD is to be placed around the pipe, whereby placing overlap portion at the 6 o'clock position of the pipe.

Place all end to end overlaps min. 2" / 50mm; all parallel pads overlaps min 6" / 150mm.

In the event that a side overlap is used, place the overlaps "shingle style". This will ensure that no backfill will protrude under the Premier Coating Rock Shield SD.

After pads are secured to the pipe, the backfill process may take place.