

## Product Information Bulletin

### PlastiSpan HD Insulation for Slab-on-Grade Applications

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**PlastiSpan® HD** insulation is a rigid, closed-cell insulation that meets requirements for expanded polystyrene (EPS) insulation manufactured to CAN/ULC-S701.1, Type 2. Installing **PlastiSpan HD** insulation above or below a concrete slab-on-grade will reduce heat loss providing energy savings and ensure a more uniform more floor surface temperature is maintained. The table below provides material properties for **PlastiSpan HD** insulation.

Material Properties <sup>1</sup>	Units	Values
<b>Thermal Resistance</b> <i>Minimum RSI per 25 mm (R-value per 1 inch)</i> ASTM C518	m <sup>2</sup> •°C/W (ft <sup>2</sup> •h•°F/BTU)	0.70 (4.04)
<b>Compressive Resistance</b> <i>Minimum @ 10% Strain</i> ASTM D1621	kPa (psi)	110 (16)
<b>Flexural Strength</b> <i>Minimum</i> ASTM C203	kPa (psi)	240 (35)
<b>Water Vapour Permeance<sup>2</sup></b> <i>Maximum</i> ASTM E96	ng/(Pa•s•m <sup>2</sup> ) (Perms)	200 (3.5)
<b>Water Absorption<sup>3</sup></b> <i>Maximum</i> ASTM D2842	% By Volume	4.0
<b>Dimensional Stability</b> <i>Maximum</i> ASTM D2126	% Linear Change	1.5
<b>Limiting Oxygen Index</b> <i>Minimum</i> ASTM D2863	% Volume	24
<b>Surface Burning Characteristics</b> <i>Rating or Classification</i> CAN/ULC S102.2	Flame Spread	220
	Smoke Developed	Over 500

#### Sustainability

As part of its commitment to ongoing sustainability initiatives, Plasti-Fab maintains **GREENGUARD Gold Certification** for **PlastiSpan HD** insulation with UL Environment, an independent global safety science organization. The **GREENGUARD Gold Certification** mark on **PlastiSpan HD** insulation gives assurance that insulation designed for use in indoor spaces meets strict chemical emissions limits, which contribute to the creation of healthier interiors.

1. **PlastiSpan HD** insulation properties are third party certified to CAN/ULC-S701.1, **Standard for Thermal Insulation, Polystyrene, Boards**, under a third party certification program (see Intertek Code Compliance Research Report CCRR-1072 for additional information) and is listed by the Canadian Construction Materials Centre (CCMC) under evaluation listing number 12425-L (Type 2).

2. WVP values quoted are maximum values for 25-mm (1-inch) thick samples with natural skins intact. Lower values will result for thicker materials.

3. The water absorption laboratory test method involves complete submersion under a head of water for 96 hours. The water absorption values above are applicable to specific end-use design requirements only to the extent that the end-use conditions are similar to test method requirements.

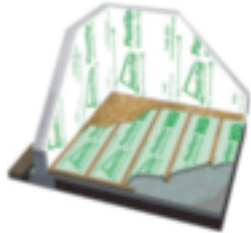
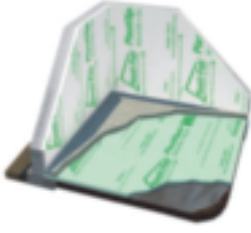
### NBC 2010 and 2015 – Energy Efficiency Requirements

National Building Code of Canada (NBC) 2010 and 2015, Section 9.36 provides energy efficiency requirements for buildings 3 storeys or less in building height, having a building area not exceeding 600 m<sup>2</sup> and used for major occupancies classified as residential occupancies. Energy efficiency requirements, Subsection 9.36.2. are based upon minimum **effective thermal resistance (RSI<sub>eff</sub>/R<sub>eff</sub>)** of building assemblies which includes the effect of thermal bridging due to repetitive structural members such as wood framing members in wall or roof assemblies calculated using the formula below.

$$RSI_{eff} (R_{eff}) = \frac{100\%}{\frac{\% \text{ Area of Framing}}{RSI_F (R_F)} + \frac{\% \text{ Area of Cavity}}{RSI_C (R_C)}} + RSI(R) \text{ Continuous Material Layers}$$

### PlastiSpan HD Insulation Installed Above or Below a Basement Floor Slab

**PlastiSpan HD** insulation installed above the basement slab as part of a retrofit is a cost-effective method of improving existing energy efficiency. When installed as a continuous layer below the basement slab as part of new construction it provides a uniform insulation layer. The table below provides examples of slab-on-grade construction using **PlastiSpan HD** insulation.

Typical Detail	System Description and Components			
 <p><b>Figure 1 - Above Slab Application</b></p>	<b>PlastiSpan HD insulation installed between wood strapping</b>			<b>RSI<sub>eff</sub> Calculation</b>
		<b>RSI<sub>F</sub></b>	<b>RSI<sub>C</sub></b>	<b>Continuous Materials</b>
	Horizontal Air Film (above floor)	----	----	0.16
	15.8 mm (5/8") OSB sub-floor	----	----	0.15
	64 mm (2.5") <b>PlastiSpan HD</b> Insulation	----	1.78	----
	Wood strapping @ 610 mm (24")	0.54		----
	Polyethylene moisture barrier	----	----	----
	102 mm (4") Concrete Slab	----	----	0.04
	<b>Sub-Totals</b>	<b>0.54</b>	<b>1.78</b>	<b>0.35</b>
	<b>% Area</b>	<b>9%</b>	<b>91%</b>	<b>100%</b>
<b>RSI<sub>eff</sub> (R<sub>eff</sub>)</b>	<b>RSI-1.83 (R-10.4)</b>			
 <p><b>Figure 2 - Below Slab Application</b></p>	<b>PlastiSpan HD insulation installed as a continuous insulation layer below concrete slab</b>			<b>RSI<sub>eff</sub> Calculation</b>
	Horizontal Air Film (above floor)	0.16		
	102 mm (4") Concrete Slab	0.04		
	64 mm (2.5") <b>PlastiSpan HD</b> Insulation	1.78		
	Polyethylene moisture barrier	----		
	<b>RSI<sub>eff</sub> (R<sub>eff</sub>)</b>	<b>RSI-1.98 (R-11.2)</b>		