# APPLICATION



Wood-Fiber Insulation Boards are being utilized for thermal and sound insulation in roofs – walls – floors. They protect against cold during winter and – most importantly – against heat in the summer.

### roofing:

- Insulation on top of rafters (sufficiently compression resistant to carry the load of the cladding, e.g. roofing tiles)
- Insulation under the rafters (formwork) for additional insulation if the rafter height is not sufficient
- Insulation between the rafters (e.g. in the pre-fabricated housing industry)

#### walls:

- Insulation of exterior and interior walls (against heat and sound transmission)
- Substrate for EIFS (Exterior Insulating and Finishing Systems)
- Interior insulation for renovation works

### flooring:

- Compression-resistant insulation for floating screeds
- Insulation against impact noise (e.g. under laminate flooring or parquet)

Wood-Fiber Insulation Board according to the Siempelkamp Dry Process					
Property			Density [kg/m³] / [lbs./cu.ft.]		
			80/5.0	140/8.7	200/12.5
Compression at 10% Strain		kPa	appr. 20	appr. 120	appr. 200
	EN 826	p.s.i.	appr. 2.9	appr. 17.4	appr. 29.0
Water Absorption *)	EN 1600	kg/m²	n.a.	appr. 0.7	appr. 0.6
	EN 1609	lbs./sq.ft.	n.a.	appr. 0.14	appr. 0.12
Thermal Conductivity (Nominal Value)	EN 13171	W/m K	appr. 0.037	appr. 0.045	appr. 0.050
Fire Behaviour **)	EN 13501			Class E	

\*) \*\*) with hydrophobic additive

with fire retardant (depending on density)

n.a. not applicable

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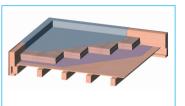
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Insulation on top of rafters

flat roof insulation

EIFS





Floating floor screed on Wood-Fiber Insulation Board



# **WOOD-FIBER INSULATION BOARD** Siempelkamp dry process





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### → WOOD-FIBER INSULATION BOARD

Wood-Fiber Insulation Boards are one of the first industrially made insulation products. Despite serious competition from mineral fiber and plastic foam products today they gain market share in Germany

Why using Wood-Fiber Insulation Board:

• Wood is a sustainable raw material Its processing is not very energy intensive. It's ecologically sound.

#### • It increases living comfort

The thermal capacity of wood is much higher than that of mineral fiber or plastic foam, hence Wood-Fiber Insulation Boards protect much better against summer heat.

#### • It supports uniform interior climate

The thermal conductivity of Wood-Fiber Insulation Boards is not much affected by moisture which enables diffusionopen wall designs. Picked-up moisture will be released over time without problems.

#### • It fits into the system

For buildings based on wooden constructions a Wood-Fiber Insulation Board 'fits into the system'.

### A convincing concept for the production of Wood-Fiber Insulation Boards

The raw material for the production of insulation boards are wood chips. They are fiberized in a conventional steam refiner and dried in a flash dryer.

In difference to the traditional wet-manufacturing process the revolutionary Dry Process with a new bonding system has been developed. After the fibers are dried, they are blended with a special, fast curing Isocyanate resin. To apply this resin a new method of spraying the fibers inside a tower was researched in depth, developed, and tested by the Siempelkamp Research and Development Department. Also new: after pre-pressing, the mat enters a calibration and curing step using Siempelkamp's unique pre-heating unit ContiTherm. Here the mat is heated rapidly by blowing a steam-air mixture through it.

For the new concept, the ContiTherm was equipped with an extended calibration zone. The modified system allows for heating and curing even thickest mats of up to 240 mm. Finally, the endless board is cut by a diagonal saw to the required length.

Siempelkamp is pleased that their efforts of developing new technologies and machines have led to a break-through which now allows the production of wood-fiber insulation boards using a continuous dry-manufacturing process.



Resin application

New Siempelkamp Dry Process



### PRODUCTION PLANT DATA

Raw material

- Wood (without bark)
- Binder
- Hydrophobic additive (for special application)
- Fire retardant (depending on density)
- Throughput
- Board width
- Capacity (depending on density and thickness)

Site

(for the production line without warehouse, infrastructure etc.)

# → PROCESS

Siempelkamp developed a new process and doing so extended the properties of the Wood Fiber Insulation Board.

The Dry Process developed by Siempelkamp uses proven process technology in many manufacturing steps:

- efficient drying of wood fibers in a flash dryer
- utilizing a highly reactive PMDI-resin for rapid curing
- application of the resin in a special 'Dry Blowline'
- mechanical mat-forming with dry fiber
- fast heating of the mat according to the Siempelkamp ContiTherm-principle
- cross-cutting of the endless, cured board by a diagonal saw
- cut-to-size online and to demand

With the **Dry Process** essential advantages are achieved:

- board density can be as low as 80 kg/m<sup>3</sup> (5 lbs./cu.ft.)
- thickness is up to 240 mm (9 in.) homogeneous in one layer
- no water treatment is necessary
- energy costs are low



softwood (like spruce, fir, pine) PMDI paraffin emulsion ammonium phosphate approx. 2,5 or 5 t/h (2.8 or 5.5 ton/hour) wood 1,250 or 2,500 mm (4 ft. or 8 ft.) up to 30 or 60 m<sup>3</sup>/h (1,060 or 2,120 cu.ft./hour) approx. 6,500 m<sup>2</sup> (70,000 sq.ft.) approx. 130 m x 50 m (430 ft. x 165 ft.)