

# SikaProof® A Technology & Systems





## The Fully Bonded Waterproofing System -

**Keep your basements durably and securely watertight!** 

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Ground slab

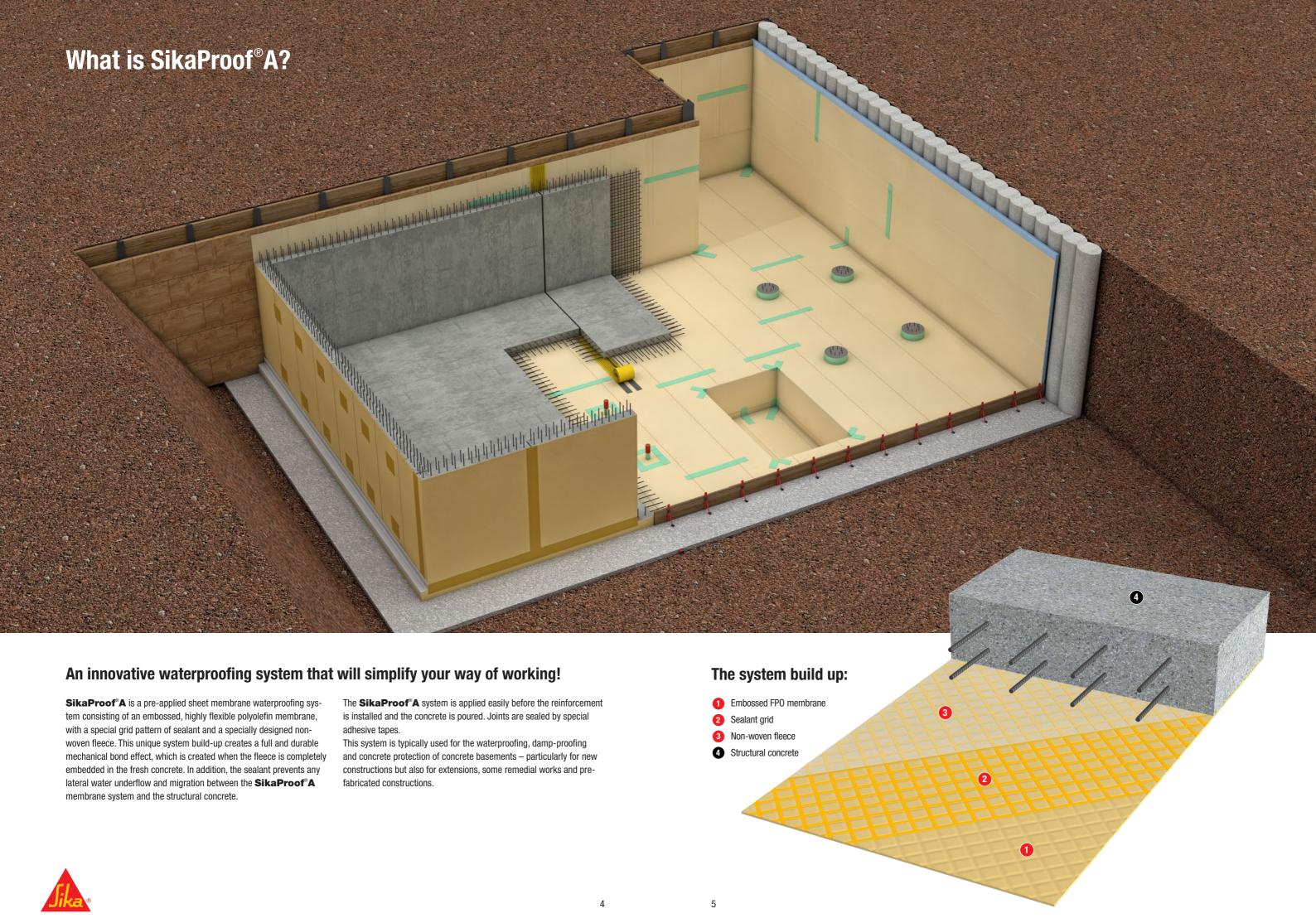


Walls, single or double faced formwork



Pre-fabricated elements





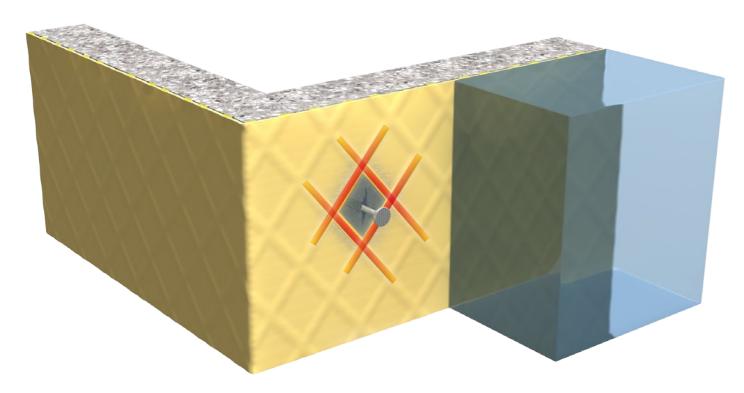
## **How Does it Work?**

#### Fully bonded to the concrete with Sika Grid Seal Technology

**SikaProof**® **A** is an innovative system that prevents any lateral water underflow and migration between the waterproofing membrane and the structural concrete.

Sika Grid Seal Technology is the core of **SikaProof® A**. It consists of a special sealant that is factory applied in a grid-pattern, which creates "mini watertight compartments". This sealant grid seals and blocks any lateral water underflow, even in the event of any local damage to the membrane. The sealant grid itself is also protected by the specially designed fleece that is laminated into the grid sealant. This fleece is also embedded completely into the fresh concrete and creates a full and durable mechanical bond between the FPO membrane layer of **SikaProof® A** and the cured concrete.



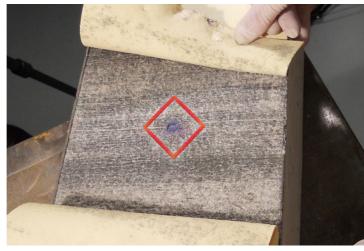


#### **Tested and approved**

The **SikaProof**® A waterproofing system has been tested in accordance with standards and is CE certified for European markets. All the necessary detailing solutions including movement and construction joints, pipe penetrations, pile head connections, etc. have also been tested and approved for these special requirements.

This testing includes:

- ASTM D 5385
- CE certification accordance with EN 13967
- Additional function tests for detail solutions



No lateral water migration in the ASTM testing



#### Bonding and sealing of SikaProof® A membrane joints

The **SikaProof**°A membranes are easily joined and connected to each other using SikaProof adhesive strips and tapes. There are no welding procedures required on-site, plus no special tools, heating or open flames are required either. This ensures not only that the installation is fast and efficient, but also secure.

The **SikaProof**°A membrane has a self-adhesive strip on one side, in a longitudinal direction, that allows simple adhering of the overlaps. For adhering of detailing and transverse / cross joints, specially designed tapes are used. The installation of the **SikaProof**°A water-proofing system with these strips and tapes reduces time and hence overall cost.

SikaProof tapes for membrane jointing and detailing:

- SikaProof® Tape -150 (internally applied)
- SikaProof® ExTape -150 (externally applied)

All recommended jointing and detailing solutions using

SikaProof® Tape -150 and SikaProof® ExTape -150

are tested to be watertight up to a certain level of water pressure.



Internal jointing detail with SikaProof® Tape-150



Finished internal jointing detail



## Where Can it be Used?

**SikaProof®** A can generally be used to waterproof all types of reinforced concrete basements and other below ground structures. Typical projects are residential and industrial buildings such as residential housing, commercial, retail and public buildings, stadiums and leisure facilities, industrial and manufacturing plants and warehouses etc. Engineered structures i.e. retaining walls, tunnel galleries, potable water tanks, waste water storage and treatment structures and tanks etc.

can also be waterproofed externally with the **SikaProof® A** system. For these projects **SikaProof® A** can be used in different ground conditions including various levels of groundwater from damp soil, to percolating water or water under hydrostatic pressure. Additionally it can be exposed to different levels of other aggressive influences.



#### **General applications**

#### Damp proofing

Against

- Rising humidity through capillary effect
- Percolating water,
- for flat slab foundations (slab on ground), column footings, strip foundations and walls.



#### **Concrete protection**

Protection against

- Various gases such as radon and methane
- Different types of chemicals in solution (sulphate, chloride, etc.)
- Humic acid

for all types of construction elements.



#### Waterproofing

Resistant to

- Water under hydrostatic pressure
- No lateral water underflow and migration for deep, one or multi storey basements.



#### **Construction elements**

#### **Base slabs**

For special details, such as shafts, pipe penetrations or pile heads etc. approved solutions are provided for the **SikaProof**® **A** system. Installation is easy and fast, using the flexible FPO membrane in 2.0 m width in the horizontal area.



#### Walls, single and double face formwork

The self-adhesive strips and tapes allow an easy and secure bonding and sealing of the **SikaProof**° A membrane system in the vertical area. There are approved solutions available for special details, such as for the shuttering anchors of double face formworks.



#### Prefabricated elements

The advantages of precast elements can be further improved by installing a waterproofing membrane system in the prefabrication process.

The **SikaProof**® **A** membrane can be easily installed in the factory. On site the waterproofed elements enable a fast fitting, reducing installation time and costs.





## What are the Advantages of SikaProof®A?

The **SikaProof**® A membrane system has specific advantages compared to traditional waterproofing solutions. It provides very specific benefits for all parties involved on a project: Owners, Specifiers and Contractors.



## Advantages for Owners and Investors

Durable functionality (dry basement), cost efficiency and high resistance against specific conditions are key issues for Owners and Investors. **SikaProof® A** membrane system is based on a well proven membrane used since the early 1990's in tunnel water-proofing. With this long-term experience of material performance under harsh conditions, **SikaProof® A** delivers long life expectancy, even in aggressive conditions such as seawater soil with a high sulphate content or humic and other soil acids.



#### Advantages for Design Engineers/Specifiers

The highly effective mechanical and chemical performance of **SikaProof®A** is approved in accordance with European and American standards. Rigorously tested detailing solutions for joints, penetrations, etc. provide the safety required by Design Engineers and Specifiers. This allows them to use the **SikaProof®A** system on a variety of projects with different waterproofing requirements.



#### **Advantages for Contractors**

Due to the quick and simple jointing of the membranes with self-adhesive strips and tapes, **SikaProof® A** is a very user-friendly waterproofing system that is fast and secure to install. Compared to traditional waterproofing solutions, it requires no additional investments in special tools or equipment, no heating or open flames and no actions for protecting the membrane system. All this results in time and cost savings on site which are key elements in reducing overall project

#### **Advantages**

#### **Performance**

- No lateral water migration in the event of damage
- Resistant to aggressive mediums in soil
- Provides protection against radon gas

#### **Total cost efficiency**

- Fast installation: lay out, jointing, detailing-finished
- Reduced membrane joints with 20m x 2m width rolls
- No additional protection screed required
- Additional sealing of external joints and penetrations with SikaProof® Patch-200, Tape 150 or Sikadur-Combiflex® SG System

#### **High quality**

- Prefabricated define minimum layer thickness
- High flexible membrane system
- Long-term experience with FPO membrane

#### **Tested and approved**

- According to American and European Standards
- Complete system testing (incl. details and joints)
- Highly resistant to ageing

#### Easy and secure installation

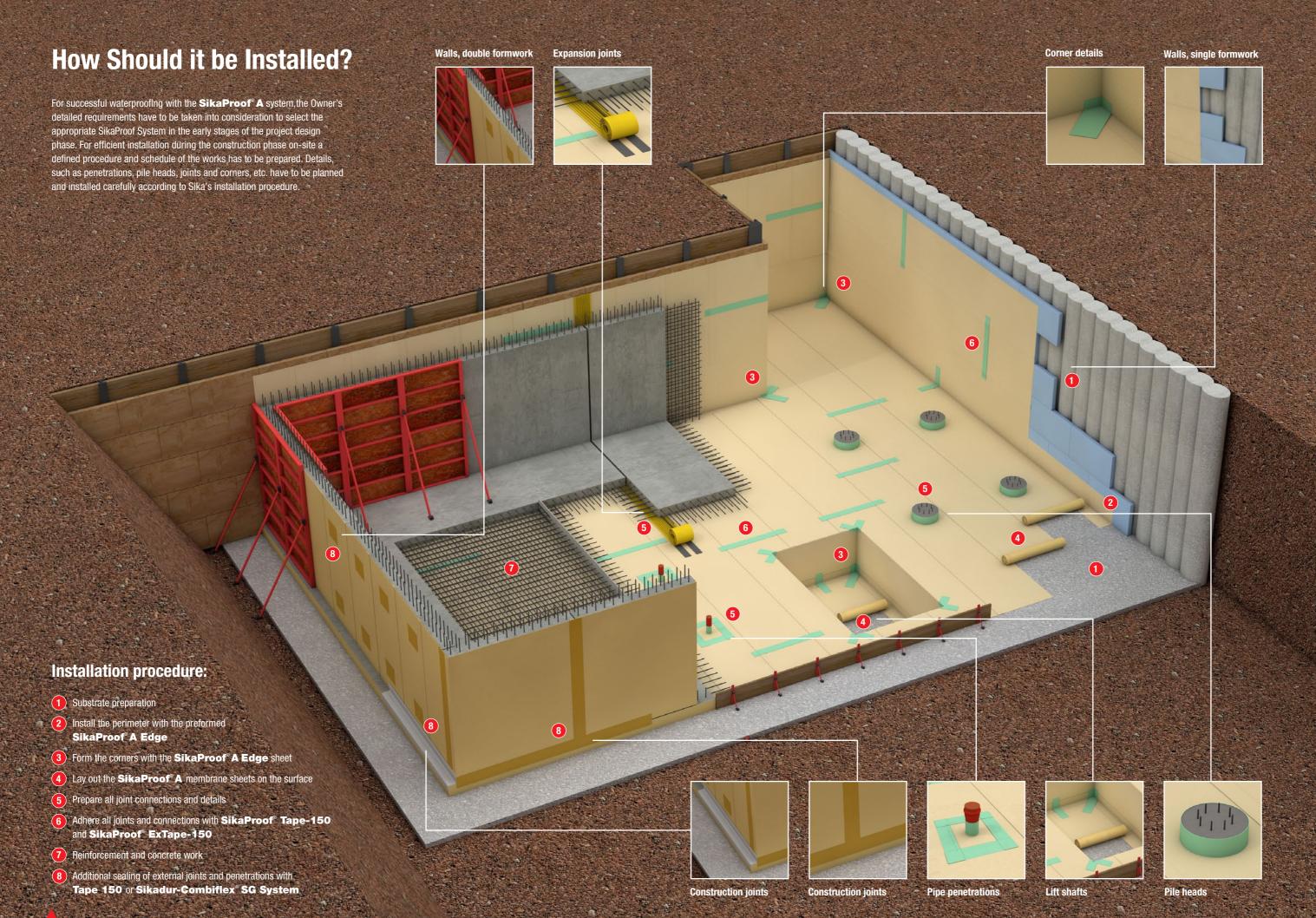
- No welding, no open flames, no priming
- Simple adhered joints and details
- No special tools or equipment required

#### **Sustainabiliy**

- Less waste, no overall release liner
- Highly durable with long life expectancy
- No segregation, wash-out or leaching









## **SikaProof®A System Components**

**SikaProof®** A system consisting of a range of membranes in various thicknesses and widths, special adhesive tapes for bonding and sealing joints and accessories for special detailing solutions.

#### SikaProof®A membranes

in 2m width rolls with one-sided self-adhesive strip

#### ■ SikaProof® A-12

1.2 mm thick membrane, for waterproofing and concrete protection with medium to high stress and water pressure requirements.



SikaProof® A membranes, 1.0 and 2.0 m width

#### SikaProof®A tapes

for joints and detailing

#### ■ SikaProof® Tape-150

self-adhesive tape in 150 mm width for internal sealing and jointing of all detailing and transverse / cross joints.

#### ■ SikaProof® ExTape-150

self-adhesive tape in 150 mm width for external jointing with split release liner for easier application.



SikaProof®Tape-150



SikaProof® ExTape-150

#### SikaProof®A accessories

#### ■ SikaProof®A -12 Edge

prefabricated L-shaped edge membranes in 1 m width for fast installation of edges and corners on site (500 mm x 500 mm).



SikaProof®A -12 Edge



SikaProof® Patch-200

#### ■ SikaProof® MetalSheet

laminated metal sheet for sealing around pile head penetrations.



SikaProof® MetalSheet



SikaProof® FixTape-50

## **Additional Sika Waterproofing Systems**

In addition to the **SikaProof**® **A** system, there are many additional products and systems that can be used for specific waterproofing requirements and conditions.

Sika also provides a complete range of joint sealing solutions for watertight concrete construction including waterstops for construction and movement joints, hydrophilic profiles and injection hoses for construction joints, plus adhesive sealing tapes for use in both construction and movement joints. All the Sika watertight joint sealing solutions are fully compatible with one another and therefore can be used with the **SikaProof®A** system – for a totally secure and watertight basement.

#### ■ Sika® Waterbars

Externally and integrally installed, preformed FPO waterstops for making both construction and movement joints watertight in reinforced concrete structures.

Externally applied waterstops are fixed directly onto the **Sika-Proof**° **A** membrane with the **SikaProof**° **FixTape-50**.



#### ■ Sikadur-Combiflex® SG System

An adhesive tape system for watertight sealing of many different types of difficult and uneven sized construction or movement joints. 

Sikadur-Combiflex® SG system is fully compatible with the SikaProof® A membrane system and can be used to seal external joints between precast elements with pre-applied 

SikaProof® A membrane or to seal transitions of base slab and precast wall elements.



#### ■ SikaSwell® A Profiles

High-performance, hydrophilic, swelling profiles for sealing construction joints. **SikaProof® A** profiles can also be used in combination with the **SikaProof® A** system as an additional back-up solution around complex penetrations, for example pipe / service entries.



■ SikaFuko® hoses and Sika® Injection materials

Re-injectable injection hoses and injection materials including

micro-cement, acrylic and epoxy resin systems for sealing construc
tion joints. These re-injectable hoses can also be used in combi-

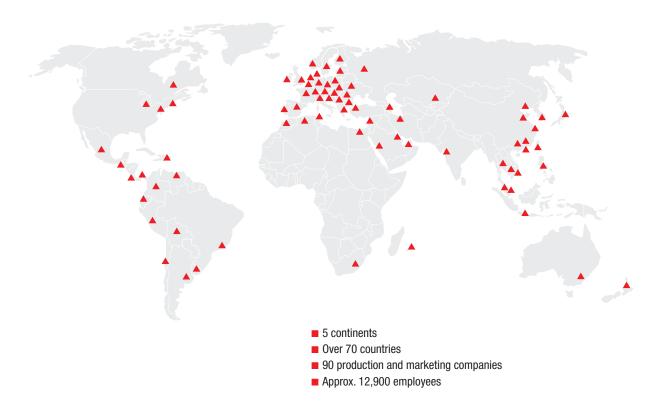
tion joints. These re-injectable hoses can also be used in combination with the **SikaProof® A** system as a controllable back-up solution, for example where future settlement is anticipated.





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