

GEOFOAM STORAGE

APPLICABLE TO ATLAS GEOFOAM PRODUCTS

Atlas Geofoam is primarily used as a lightweight fill material to support structural loads in transportation or building applications.

Industry standards for geofoam, ASTM D7180 and ASTM D6817, both state that geofoam will discolor and yellow when exposed to sunlight for extended periods of time so we have the following storage recommendations.

Short Term Storage

- Atlas Geofoam may be stored in an exterior environment with no covering when exposed to sunlight for short periods of times.

Extended Term Storage

- Atlas Geofoam should be covered with an opaque material or coating, backfill, or otherwise protected from sunlight if it will be exposed for extended periods of times.
- If Atlas Geofoam is exposed for an extended period of time without a protective covering and has yellowed, discoloration and dusting can be removed from the surface based on recommendations from ASTM D6817, Appendix 1.6.

A short period of time is defined as the time in which the exterior surface of Atlas Geofoam does not yellow. This time varies widely across the U.S. based on location and solar intensity.

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