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CCW-Fire Resist Barritech VP

Fluid-Applied, Vapor Permeable Air Barrier

**PRODUCT DESCRIPTION**

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**BASIC INSTALLATION**

Fire Resist Barritech VP is applied by airless spray equipment or by roller. It is sprayed in a single coat at a minimum thickness of 60 wet mils, or rolled on in two successive coats at a minimum thickness of 30 wet mils each.

**PACKAGING**

- 50-gallon drum
- 5-gallon pail

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**FEATURES AND BENEFITS**

- Fire resistant composition permits use in many wall assemblies (complies with NFPA 285)
- Drives to a distinctive test for easy identification (lighter blue color when wet)
- 180-day UV resistance allows flexibility in schedule
- Vapor-permeable feature permits use in wall assemblies where a vapor barrier is not needed
- Non-flammable & fume-free composition contributes to safety during installation
- Easy, water-clean-up of tools & equipment reduces harmful chemicals on the job site
- Spray-through standard, one-part equipment provides a simple and quick installation
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- Fire Resist Barritech VP is a warranted/vapor barrier system from Carlisle Coatings & Waterproofing

**PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS FOR AIR BARRIERS**

Fire Resist Barritech VP easily meets all six of the universally accepted performance requirements for air barriers.

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Air barrier material shall exhibit an air permeance of no more than 0.02 L/s*m² @ 75 Pa when tested to ASTM E2178.

Polymeric paints make excellent air barriers as long as they completely cover the substrate, and many substrate materials are porous and absorbent. Fire Resist Barritech VP minimum required installation thickness is 60 wet mils, accomplished with either single spray coat or two-applied coats. At 65% solids content, this produces a 40-mil cured membrane when the film is cast on a smooth, non-porous surface. Carlisle contracted with an independent laboratory to make sure that the Fire Resist Barritech VP would perform as an air barrier when applied to the most rough, porous surface for wall construction – concrete masonry unit (CMU). Rolling or troweling a liquid membrane onto CMU ensures complete void fills while using less material. However, this technique is slow and labor-intensive compared to spray. Therefore, Carlisle tested the membrane with a simple, one-coat spray on CMU – no back-rolling, re-coating or touch-up. The results are as follows:

Test results: Air permeance of bare block wall samples measured >0.75 L/s*m². The same wall samples, coated with a single 60-mil wet spray coat of Fire Resist Barritech VP, exhibited an air permeance of <0.001 L/s*m². Fire Resist Barritech VP significantly surpasses the requirement and covers the substrate easily.

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Air barrier shall be capable of withstanding combined wind, stack and fan pressures without displacement or damage.

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**NOTE:** All results expressed in L/m²·s @ 75 Pa pressure differential

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