



# TECHNICAL DATA SHEET MiraCLAY<sup>®</sup> GM

GeoMembrane Sodium Bentonite Waterproofing

Physical Property	Typical Value	Test Method
Thickness	.25 in	-
Bentonite Mass/ Unit Area	0.893 lbs/ft <sup>2</sup> MARV (4.34 kg/m <sup>2</sup> MARV)	ASTM D5993
Nonwoven	6.0 oz/yd <sup>2</sup> MARV (200 g / m <sup>2</sup> MARV)	ASTM D5261
Woven	3.1 oz/yd <sup>2</sup> MARV (105 g / m <sup>2</sup> MARV)	ASTM D5261
Swell Index	24 ml (2g) min	ASTM D5890
Moisture Content	12 % max	ASTM D4643
Fluid Loss	18 ml max	ASTM D5891
Tensile Strength <sup>2</sup>	30 lb/in MARV (5 kN/m MARV)	ASTM D6768
Peel Strength	3.5 lb/in MARV (610 N/m MARV)	ASTM D6496
Permeability <sup>3</sup>	5 x 10 <sup>-9</sup> m/s max	ASTM D5887
Index Flux <sup>3</sup>	1 x 10 <sup>-8</sup> m <sup>3</sup> /m <sup>2</sup> /s max	ASTM D5887
Internal Shear Strength <sup>4</sup>	500 psf (24 kPa)	ASTM D6243
Elongation <sup>5</sup>	150 m <sup>3</sup> /m <sup>2</sup> /s max%	ASTM D4632
Low Temperature Flexibility	Unaffected @-250°F (-320°C)	ASTM D1970
Hydrostatic Head Pressure	228 ft. (59.49 m)	ASTM D751
Adhesion to Concrete	17.7 lb/in. (8 kg/cm)	ASTM D903

1. Minimum Average Roll Value.

2. Tested in machine direction.

3. Deaired, deionized water @ 5 psi (24.5 kPa) maximum effective confining stress and 2 psi (13.8 kPa) head pressure.

4. Typical peak value for specimen hydrated for 24 hours and sheared under a 200 psf (9.5 kPa) normal stress.

5. Measure at maximum peak, in the weakest principle direction.

## Description

**Henry MiraCLAY<sup>®</sup> GM** Bentonite CLAY Waterproofing Membrane with a GeoMembrane Liner is a needle-punched, thermally reinforced composite comprised of a uniform layer of sodium bentonite clay sandwiched between a puncture-resistant, non-woven geotextile and a slit film woven geotextile. Needle-punched fibers are then thermally fused to the woven geotextile and an HDPE film is applied to the woven surface for lower hydraulic conductivity.

**MiraCLAY GM** is designed for waterproofing below-grade structural slabs as well as construction methods incorporating lagging, concrete caisson or shotcrete retention walls. **MiraCLAY GM** is also very effective in rehab waterproofing and zero clearance property line construction.

## Features & Benefits

- The **MiraCLAY GM** waterproofing membrane has the ability to heal itself if ripped or punctured.
- In a hydrated state, the bentonite clay has tremendous impermeability and excellent resistance to chemicals (i.e. acids, bases and hydrocarbons).
- Has the ability to expand and seal minor cracks in concrete up to 1/16" in width.
- Polyethylene membrane attached for added waterproofing protection.
- Tested and certified by NSF\*.

## Application

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### Underslab Applications:

**MiraCLAY GM** is designed for use under reinforced concrete slabs 4" (100 mm) thick or greater on a compacted earth/gravel substrate. If installed over a mud slab, **MiraCLAY GM** requires a minimum 5" (150 mm) thick reinforced concrete slab.

When hydrostatic conditions exist, **MiraCLAY GM** should be installed under footings and grade beams as shown in **MiraCLAY** details.

**Substrate Preparation: NOTE:** Do not begin construction in work areas where there is standing water or in situations which may cause the **MiraCLAY GM** to prematurely hydrate.

Before installing **MiraCLAY GM**, the substrate must be properly prepared. Substrate may be concrete, earth, sand, pea gravel or crushed stone. Earth and sand substrates should be compacted to a minimum 85% Modified Proctor density. Crushed stone should not be larger than ¾" (18 mm) in size. Substrate should be smooth and uniform without sharp projections or pockets.

Complete all required elevator pit, sump pit and grade beam and piling work before installing **MiraCLAY GM** under main slab area.

**Installation:** Install **MiraCLAY GM** on conventional concrete wall with the non-woven geotextile fabric facing the structural concrete substrate. On lagging walls and mudslab applications, install **MiraCLAY GM** with the non-woven geotextile fabric facing the structural concrete placement. Overlap adjoining edges a minimum of 4" (100 mm), stagger sheet ends a minimum of 24" (600 mm), and nail or staple edges together as required to prevent any displacement during concrete placement. **MiraCLAY Granules** may also be placed in the seam for additional waterproofing performance.

When the slab is poured in sections, **MiraCLAY GM** should extend a minimum 12" (300 mm) beyond the slab edge. When the installation reaches the outer edge of the slab, continue **MiraCLAY GM** up and out of the form a minimum of 12" (300 mm). At the corner, **MiraCLAY GM** should remain in contact with the substrate and inside the surface of the concrete form. When the form is removed, the **MiraCLAY GM** outside the form should be positioned and fastened onto the footing or vertical wall. Overlay the **MiraCLAY GM** a minimum of 6" (150 mm) with the succeeding vertical waterproofing membrane.

At property line retaining walls, such as soldier pile or lagging, continue the underslab **MiraCLAY GM** application up the retaining wall a minimum 12" (300 mm) above the top edge of the slab or footing and secure. Overlap the vertical **MiraCLAY GM** waterproofing membrane by a minimum of 6" (150 mm) or a minimum of 12" (300 mm) under hydrostatic head conditions.

### Property Line or Lagging:

**Substrate Preparation:** Gaps between the wood lagging greater than 1" (25 mm) must be filled with cementitious grout. In areas with large gaps (1" to 5" / 25 mm to 125 mm) between lagging, install plywood to provide a uniform substrate. Where drainage issues may arise, install **MiraDRAIN** to provide a uniform substrate as well as to facilitate drainage.

**Installation:** Install **MiraCLAY GM** with the non-woven side facing the installer. Secure the **MiraCLAY GM** into position with fasteners and 1" (25 mm) washers. Use the appropriate fasteners for the type of substrate used to receive the **MiraCLAY GM**. Install succeeding courses of **MiraCLAY GM** by overlapping the previous course a minimum of 4" (100 mm). Stagger the seams a minimum of 24" (600 mm). Install in shingle fashion so that the upper roll of **MiraCLAY GM** overlaps the lower roll. Fasten membrane once every 18" (45 cm) on seams or as required to prevent blousing.

At grade line, after the wall has been poured, terminate **MiraCLAY GM** with a rigid termination bar or fasten 12" (300 mm) on center. Embed the top edge of **MiraCLAY GM** and termination bar with a thick bead of **MiraCLAY Sealant 2"** (50 mm) wide by ½" (12 mm) thick.

### Standard Foundation Walls:

**Substrate Preparation:** The substrate must be properly prepared to receive the **MiraCLAY GM** waterproofing membrane. All honeycombs, form-tie cavities and indentations should be filled with **MiraCLAY Sealant** or filled with latex Portland Cement. Substrate must be smooth and uniform, removing any protrusions over ½" (12 mm) from the surface. Footings must be free of soil, rocks or debris to provide a suitable substrate to receive the **MiraCLAY GM** waterproofing membrane.

**Installation:** The **MiraCLAY GM** waterproofing membrane should be installed with the non-woven side facing the applicator. Create a cant at any vertical to horizontal transition by applying a 1½" (39 mm) to 2" (50 mm) of **MiraCLAY Granules** along that junction. At the base of the foundation wall where the vertical wall meets the horizontal footing, install **MiraCLAY GM** in a horizontal manner extending out onto the footing a minimum of 12" (300 mm). Fasten the **MiraCLAY GM** in place with concrete fasteners and 1" (25 mm) washers. Install succeeding courses of **MiraCLAY GM** by overlapping the previous course a minimum of 4" (100 mm). Stagger the seams a minimum of 12" (300 mm). Install in shingle fashion so that the upper roll of **MiraCLAY GM** overlaps the lower roll. Fasten membrane once every 18" (45 cm) on seams or as required to prevent blousing. At grade line, terminate **MiraCLAY GM** with a rigid termination bar or fasten 12" (300 mm) on center. Embed the top edge of **MiraCLAY GM** and termination bar with a thick bead of **MiraCLAY Sealant 2"** (50 mm) wide by ½" (12 mm) thick.

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## Warnings and Hazards

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- **MiraCLAY** membranes should remain dry before and during installation.
- Improper storage could lead to product deterioration.
- Not for use on CMU foundations.

## Detail Requirements

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For standard installation details, follow the **MiraCLAY** details drawings. For non-standard installation instructions contact your local Henry representative.

## Packaging

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Square Footage: 70 ft (21.34 m<sup>2</sup>)  
Dimensions: 5 ft x 14 ft (1.52 m x 4.27 m)

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