

# Specification For Geomembrane Liner

(Sample specification: 8138 XR-5®. For other product specifications, go to [www.xr-5.com](http://www.xr-5.com))

## General

### 1.01 Scope Of Work

Furnish and install flexible membrane lining in the areas shown on the drawings. All work shall be done in strict accordance with the project drawings, these specifications and membrane lining fabricator's approved shop drawings.

Geomembrane panels will be supplied sufficient to cover all areas, including appurtenances, as required in the project and shown on the drawings. The fabricator/installer of the liner shall allow for shrinkage and wrinkling of the field panels.

### 1.02 Products

The lining material shall be **8138 XR-5** as manufactured by **Seaman Corporation** (1000 Venture Blvd., Wooster, OH 44691; 330-262-1111) with the following physical specifications:

Base (Type)	Polyester
Fabric Weight (ASTM D751)	6.5 oz./yd <sup>2</sup> (220 g/m <sup>2</sup> )
Finished Coated Weight (ASTM D751)	38.0 ±2oz./yd <sup>2</sup> (1288 ±70 g/m <sup>2</sup> )
Thickness (nominal) (ASTM D751)	40.0 mil (1.0mm)
Trapezoid Tear (ASTM D751)	35/35 lb <sub>f</sub> (155/155 N) min.
Grab Yield Tensile (ASTM D751, Grab Method Procedure A)	550/550 lb <sub>f</sub> (2447/2447 N) min.
Blocking Resistance (ASTM D751, 180°F/82°C)	# 2 Rating max.
Wicking (Shelter-Rite® Procedure)	1/8 in. (0.3 cm) max.
Adhesion - Heat Seam (ASTM D751, Dielectric Weld)	35lb <sub>f</sub> /2 in. weld (15 daN/5 cm weld) min.
Adhesion - Ply (ASTM D413)	15 lb <sub>f</sub> /in. (13 daN/5 cm) min. or film tearing bond
Hydrostatic Resistance (ASTM D751, Method A)	800 psi (5.51 MPa) min.
PunctureResistance (ASTM D4833)	250 lb <sub>f</sub> (1112 N) min.
Bursting Strength (ASTM D751 Ball Tip)	650 lb <sub>f</sub> (2892 N) min. - 800 lb <sub>f</sub> (3560 N) typical
Dead Load (ASTM D751)	70°F (21°C) ..... 210 lb <sub>f</sub> (934 N) min.
2" (5 cm) overlap seam, 4 hours, 1" (2.5 cm) strip	160°F (70°C) ..... 105 lb <sub>f</sub> (467 N) min.
Bonded Seam Strength	575 lb <sub>f</sub> (2447 N) min.
(ASTM D751 Seam Strength as modified by NSF 54)	
Low Temperature (ASTM D2136, 4 hours- 1/8" Mandrel)	Pass @ -30°F (-35°C)
Weathering Resistance (ASTM G23, Carbon Arc)	8,000 hours min. With no appreciable changes or stiffening or cracking of coating
Dimensional Stability (ASTM D1204, 212° F 1 Hour, Each Direction)	1.5% max.
Water Absorption (ASTM D741, Section 12, 7 Days)	0.025 kg/m <sup>2</sup> max. @ 70°F (21°C) 0.14 kg/m <sup>2</sup> max. @ 212°F (100°C)
Abrasion Resistance (ASTM D3389)	2000 cycles (min.) before fabric exposure;
H-18 Wheel, 1000 g load	50 mg/100 cycles max. weight loss
Coefficient of Thermal Expansion/Contraction (ASTM D696)	8 x 10 <sup>-6</sup> in/in/°F (1.4 x 10 <sup>-5</sup> cm/cm/°C) max.

### 1.03 Submittals

The fabricator of panels used in this work shall prepare shop drawings with a proposed panel layout to cover the liner area shown in the project plans. Shop drawings shall indicate the direction of factory seams and shall show panel sizes consistent with the material quantity requirements of 1.01. Details shall be included to show the termination of the panels at the perimeter of lined areas, the methods of sealing around penetrations, and methods of anchoring. Placement of the lining shall not commence until the shop drawings and details have been approved by the Owner, or his representative.

#### **1.04 Factory Fabrication**

The individual XR-5® liner widths shall be factory fabricated into large sheets custom designed for this project so as to minimize field seaming. The number of factory seams must exceed the number of field seams by a factor of at least 10.

A two-inch overlap seam done by heat or RF welding is recommended. The surface of the welded areas must be dry and clean. Pressure must be applied to the full width of the seam on the top and bottom surface while the welded area is still in a melt-type condition. The bottom welding surface must be flat to insure that the entire seam is welded properly. Enough heat shall be applied in the welding process that a visible bead is extruded from both edges being welded. The bead insures that the material is in a melt condition and successful chemical bond between the two surfaces is accomplished.

Two-inch seams must withstand a minimum of 210 pounds per inch width dead load at 70°F. and 105 pounds per inch at 160°F. as outlined in Mil-T-52983E. All seams must exceed 550 lbs. bonded seam strength per ASTM D-751 bonded seam strength as modified by NSF 54.

#### **1.05 Inspection And Testing Of Factory Seams**

The fabricator shall monitor each linear foot of seam as it is produced. Upon discovery of any defective seam, the fabricator shall stop production of panels used in this work and shall repair the seam, and determine and rectify the cause of the defect prior to continuation of the seaming process.

The fabricator must provide a Quality Control procedure to the Owner or his representative which details his methods of visual inspection and periodic system checks to ensure leak-proof factory fabrication.

#### **1.06 Certification and Test Reports**

Prior to installation of the panels, the fabricator shall provide the Owner, or his representative, with written certification that the factory seams were inspected in accordance with Section 1.05.

#### **1.07 Panel Packaging and Storage**

Factory fabricated panels shall be accordion-folded or rolled onto a sturdy wooden pallet designed to be moved by a forklift or similar equipment. Each factory fabricated panel shall be prominently and indelibly marked with the panel size. Panels must be protected as necessary to prevent damage to the panel during shipment. Panels that have been delivered to the project site should be stored in a dry area.

#### **1.08 Qualifications of Suppliers**

The fabricator of the lining shall be experienced in the installation of flexible membrane lining, and provide the owner or his representative with a list of not less than 5 projects and not less than 1 million square feet of successfully installed XR-5® synthetic lining. The project list shall show the name, address and telephone number of an appropriate party to contact in each case. The manufacturer of the sheet goods shall provide similar documentation with a 10 million square foot minimum. The installer shall provide similar documentation to that required by the fabricator.

#### **1.09 Subgrade Preparation By Others**

Lining installation shall not begin until a proper base has been prepared to accept the membrane lining. Base material should be free from angular rocks, roots, grass and vegetation. Foreign materials and protrusions shall be removed, all cracks and voids filled, and surfaces made level or uniformly sloping as indicated on the drawings. The prepared surface should be free from loose earth, rocks, rubble and other foreign matter. Generally, no rock or other object larger than USCS sand (SP) should remain on the subgrades in order to provide an adequate safety factor against puncture. Geotextiles may be used to compensate for irregular subgrades. The subgrade shall be uniformly compacted to ensure against settlement. The surface on which the lining is to be placed shall be maintained in a firm, clean, dry and smooth condition during lining installation.

### **1.10 Lining Installation**

Prior to placement of the liner, the installer will indicate in writing to the owner or his representative that he believes the subgrade to be adequately prepared for the liner placement.

The lining shall then be placed over the prepared surface in such a manner as to assure minimum handling. The sheets shall be of such lengths and widths and shall be placed in such a manner as to minimize field seaming.

In areas where wind is prevalent, lining installation should be started at the upwind side of the project and proceed downwind. The leading edge of the liner should be secured at all times with sandbags or other means sufficient to hold it down during high winds.

Sandbags or rubber tires may be used as required to hold down the lining in position during installation. Materials, equipment or other items must not be dragged across the surface of the liner or be allowed to slide down slopes on the lining. All parties walking or working on the lining material should wear soft-sole shoes.

Lining sheets should be closely fit and sealed around inlets, outlets and other projections through the lining. Lining to concrete seals should be made with a mechanical anchor, or as shown on the drawings. All piping structures and other projections through the lining should be sealed with approved sealing methods.

### **1.11 XR-5 Field Seaming**

All requirements of Sections 1.04 and 1.05 apply. A visible bead should be extruded from the hot air welding process. Field fabrication of lining material will not be allowed.

### **1.12 Inspection**

All field seams will be tested using the Air Lance Method. A compressed air source will deliver a minimum of 55 psi to a 3/16-inch nozzle. The nozzle will be directed to the lip of the field seam in a near perpendicular direction to the length of the field seam. The nozzle will be held 4 inches maximum from the seam and travel at a rate not to exceed 40 feet per minute. Any loose flaps of 1/8" or greater will require repair.

All field seams should also be inspected utilizing the Vacuum Box Technique as described in Standard Practice for Geomembrane Seam Evaluation by Vacuum Chamber (ASTM D5641-94) using a 3 to 5 psi vacuum pressure. All leaks shall be repaired and tested.

All joints, on completion of the work, shall be tightly bonded. Any lining surface showing injury due to scuffing, penetration by foreign objects or distress from rough subgrade, shall be, as directed by the Owner, or representative, replaced or covered and sealed with an additional layer of lining of the proper size, in accordance with the patching procedure.

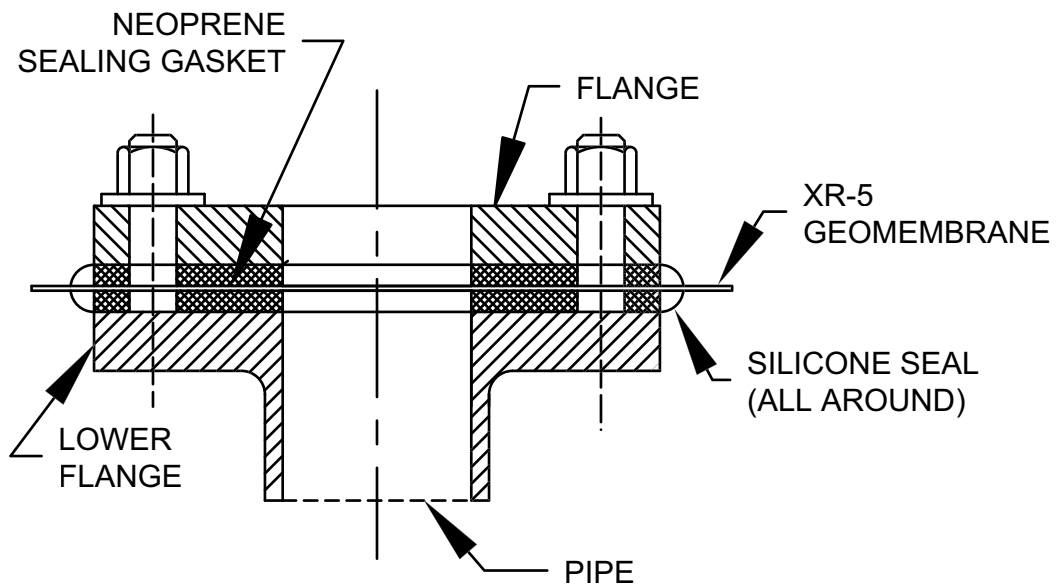
### **1.13 Patching**

Any repairs to the lining should be patched with the lining material. The patch material shall have rounded corners and extend a minimum of four inches (4") in each direction from the damaged area.

Seam repairs or seams that are questionable should be cap stripped with a 1" wide strip (min.) of the liner material. The requirements of Section 1.11 apply to this cap stripping.

### **1.14 Warranty**

The lining material should be warranted on a pro-rated basis for 10 years against weathering and chemical resistance in accordance with Seaman Corporation warranty for XR-5® Style 8138. Workmanship of installation should be warranted for one year on a 100% basis.



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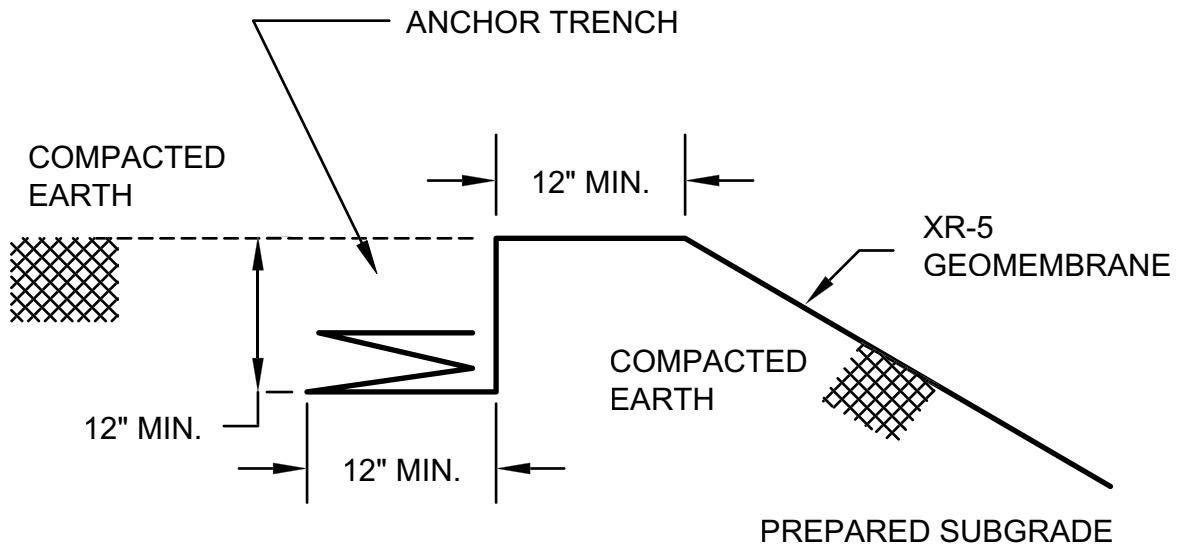
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PIPE SECTION*

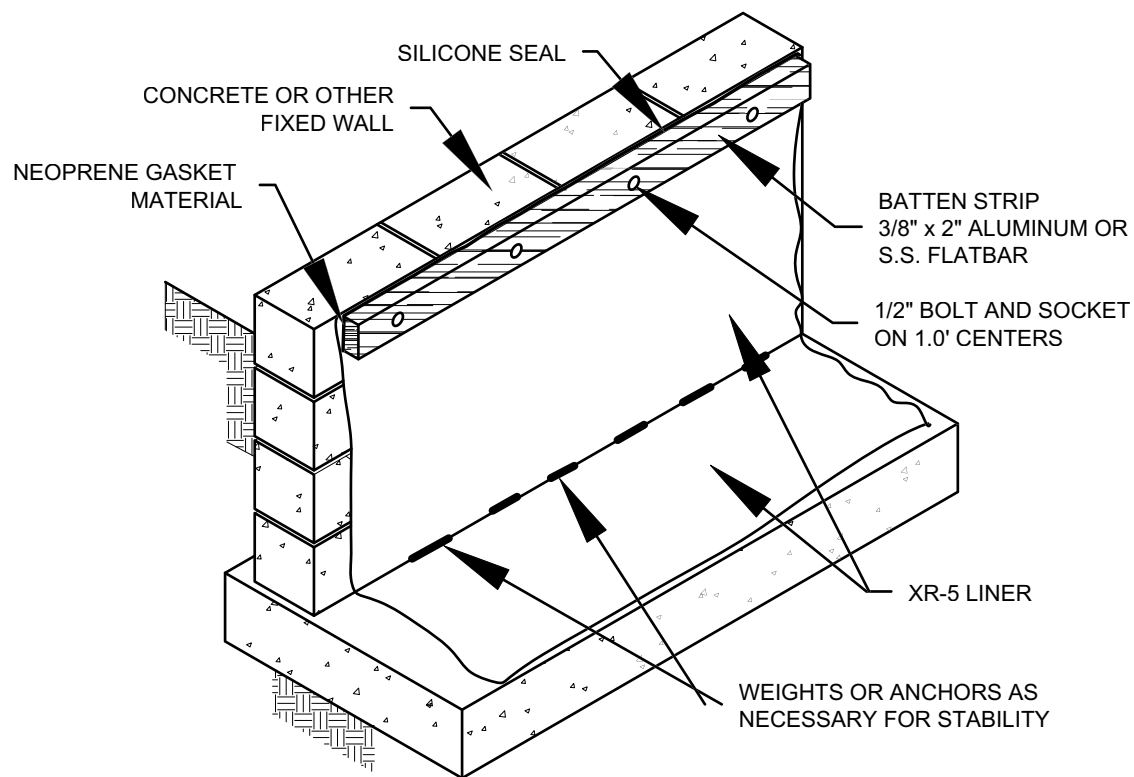
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<p><i>ELEVATION VIEW TYPICAL ANCHOR DETAILS XR-5 LINER</i></p>	
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**ANCHORING DETAIL  
XR-5 LINER TO FIXED WALL**

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