



Equus Soprema DuO Roofing membranes Roof Maintenance Statement

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1.0 General

DuO roofing membranes are designed to be largely maintenance-free. However, Equus Industries Ltd and Soprema recommend the following maintenance guidelines and code of practice to ensure the waterproofing system continues to perform effectively and to prevent issues caused by external factors.

Equus Industries Ltd recommends that the roof areas are inspected every six months by the building owner or facility manager. These checks should include:

- Removing debris and ensuring all outlets are free of blockages.
- Confirming that flashings, cappings, and upstands are secure and in good condition.
- Inspecting the membrane surface to ensure it is free of moss, mold, and lichen.
- Checking all associated building elements that could affect the membrane's durability.

This task is straightforward and can be effectively performed by a building owner or facility manager familiar with the property. Regular inspection serves as an excellent internal "insurance policy."

Higher-risk areas such as sheet joints, gutters, corners, upstands, outlets, overflows, penetrations, and areas subject to substrate movement should undergo a thorough weathertightness inspection annually. If any faults, leaks, damage or other issues are identified at any time, contact Equus Industries Ltd or the Equus Certified Applicator immediately for guidance and to arrange remedial work; do not delay repairs as this may jeopardise warranty coverage.

2.0 Cleaning

Roof surfaces may be cleaned using low-pressure water cleaning (maximum 1,000 psi). Where heavy moss or mould growth is present, apply a suitable treatment such as Equus Mosskill prior to cleaning. High-pressure water blasting must be avoided at all times.

Cleaning Guidelines:

- Use low pressure only.
- Do not direct the water nozzle at laps, joints, flashings, or outlets.
- Moss and mold killers, including residual types, are acceptable.

Cleaning frequency depends on the local environment and should be determined by the building owner or facility manager. Where required, Equus Industries Ltd can attend site to provide guidance.

Do not use any solvent-based cleaners on Equus Soprema DuO bituminous waterproofing membranes, as these will damage the surface and require repair.

If a solvent spill occurs:

- Immediately clean the affected area following appropriate health and safety procedures.
- Mark off the area and notify the building owner or facility manager.
- Arrange for repairs as soon as practicable and within five (5) working days of the incident.



3.0 Roof Alterations

Before carrying out any of the following works, consult Equus Industries Ltd for advice and approval:

- Installation of additional mechanical or electrical (M&E) equipment such as satellite dishes, air-conditioning units, ducting, or other machinery.
- Removal or relocation of existing roof equipment.
- Construction or modification involving the roof area and/or details.
- These activities may require localised repairs or alterations. Work should be properly planned, and the certified applicator must be contacted before any work begins.

4.0 Mechanical Plant

All maintenance or servicing of rooftop mechanical plant and equipment must be conducted with care to prevent damage to the membrane system.

The building owner or facility manager is responsible for ensuring that all trades and contractors working on the roof take the necessary precautions to protect the membrane.

Where frequent access is required, a dedicated walkway system or other suitable means of safe access should be installed to avoid damage. Equus Industries Ltd can provide design and specification assistance if required.

If any roof modification or mechanical work affects the membrane, notify the Equus Certified Applicator or Equus Industries Ltd immediately for guidance and assistance.

5.0 General Notes

- When cleaning, use low-pressure water washing only — do not use solvents.
- Ensure all roof outlets are kept clean and free of blockage.
- Report and repair any damage immediately.
- Liaise with Equus Industries Ltd or the approved installer before making any roof alterations.

Failure to undertake maintenance and inspections as outlined in this statement may jeopardise the validity of any warranty provided.

If any uncertainty exists regarding maintenance requirements or warranty coverage, please contact Equus Industries Ltd or your certified Equus Soprema DuO Applicator for advice.