

System Bulletin

Building with conscience.

StoTherm® ci GPS with Sto Strike Defense

Decorative cladding with continuous insulation and StoGuard® Air and Water-resistive Barrier combined with Sto Strike Defense for high impact and puncture resistance



Substrate: Glass Mat Gypsum sheathing in compliance with ASTM C1177, Exterior or Exposure I wood-based sheathing (plywood or OSB), cement board in compliance with ASTM C1325, code compliant concrete, concrete masonry, portland cement plaster, or existing strucuturally sound, uncoated brick.

1)	Air Barrier and Water-resistive Barrier: StoGuard
2)	Adhesive: Sto TurboStick®
3)	Insulation: Sto GPS Board
4)	Reinforcement: Sto Armor Mat or Sto Armor Mat XX (embedded in Sto base coat)
5)	Base Coat options: Sto BTS Plus, Sto BTS Xtra, Sto Primer/Adhesive-B , or Sto Primer/Adhesive, Sto RFP, StoArmat Classic Plus
6)	 Sto Strike Defense: Sto Mesh embedded in StoArmat Classic Plus 2nd coat, and 3rd coat (if needed) of StoArmat Classic Plus to achieve minimum 3/16-in (4.0mm) thickness
7)	StoCast Wood Adhesive
8)	 Finish, choose among: Sto Textured Finishes StoCast Fnishes (StoCast Wood shown) Sto Signature and Sto Specialty Finishes

System Accessory: StoSeal STPE Sealant for use as an exterior weather seal around wall penetrations, at dynamic joints in wall construction, and as an interior air seal for air barrier continuity

System Description

StoTherm ci GPS with Sto Strike Defense is a decorative and protective exterior wall cladding that combines superior air and weather tightness with excellent thermal performance and durability. It incorporates continuous exterior insulation and StoGuard Air and Water-resistive Barrier (AWRB) with Sto Strike Defense for high impact and puncture resistance.

Uses

StoTherm ci GPS with Sto Strike Defense can be used in residential or commercial wall construction where energy efficiency, superior aesthetics, and air and moisture control are essential in the climate extremes of the Americas.

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Features	Benefits	
Continuous exterior	Efficient and effective use of	
insulation	insulation reduces energy	
	consumption and cost	
Higher R-value than	Thinner wall sections	
standard EPS-based		
insulated walls		
Continuous air and water-	Protects against mold and	
resistive barrier	moisture problems	
No fluorocarbon blowing	Low global warming potential	
agents (HFC, HCFC, or CFC)	and zero ozone depletion	
used in GPS manufacturing	potential	
Outstanding resistance to	Protects new and existing	
blunt impact damage	buildings from both high energy	
	impact and woodpeckers	
Properties		
Weight (not including	< 3.5 psf (17.1 kg/m2)	
sheathing and frame)	< 3.5 psi (17.1 kg/iliz)	
Thickness (insulation)	1- ¹ / ₁₆ -12 inches (27 — 305mm)	
R-value (not including	5.0 – 56.4 ft²•h•°F / Btu	
sheathing and frame)	(0.88 − 9.93m ² •K / W)	
Wind Load Resistance	Tested up to $+175$, -170 lb/ft^2	
Willia Load Resistance	(+8.40, - 8.14 kPa)	
Compliance	• IBC, IRC, IECC-2018, 2021	
Compliance	• ASHRAE 90.1-2019	
	• I-V, NFPA 285 evaluated for	
Construction Types and Fire	types I-IV	
Construction Types and Fire	• ASTM E119 evaluated for 1&2-	
Resistance	hour rated walls	
	nour rated wans	

Warranty

15 year Limited Warranty

Maintenance

Requires periodic cleaning to maintain appearance, repair to cracks and impact damage if they occur, recoating to enhance appearance of weathered finish. Sealants and other façade components must be maintained to prevent water infiltration.



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Limitations

Minimum insulation board thickness $1-\frac{1}{16}$ -inch (27 mm). Maximum insulation board thickness 12-in (305mm) if used on noncombustible construction, 6-in (152mm) if used with StoCast finishes. Refer to ICC ESR-1748 for detailed information on allowable products.

Fire resistance rated assemblies limited to 6-in (152 mm) maximum insulation board thickness, 4-in (102mm) if StoCast Finishes are used. Refer to ICC ESR-1748 for detailed information on allowable products. Listing of StoArmat Classic Plus in fire resistance-rated assemblies is pending.

Do not use on interior walls. A thermal barrier is required (typically minimum ½-in [13mm] gypsum wallboard) to separate the insulation board from the interior

Structural back-up wall must be level to 1/4 inch in 10 ft (6mm in 3.0m)

Wind load resistance: +175, -170 lb/ft² (+8.40, -8.14 kPa) ultimate loads achieved. Ultimate wind load resistance also depends on sheathing, sheathing attachment, and stiffness of supporting construction. Design for maximum allowable deflection of L/240.

Impact resistance: supplemental reinforcing mesh layers, cement board overlay, or other design adjustments may be prudent for areas adjacent to heavy pedestrian traffic or other areas of high impact or abuse. Refer to Sto Guide Details.

For use on vertical above grade walls only. Do not use on roofs or roof-like surfaces, on surfaces subject to in-service water immersion, or below grade. Maintain clearance of minimum 6-inches (152mm) above grade.

Insulation material is flammable. Keep away from flame, ignition sources, sparks, high heat, and temperatures in excess of 165°F [74° C]).

Dark finish colors with LRV (Light Reflectance Value) < 20 are not recommended.

Air Barrier, insulation board, and base coat materials are not intended for prolonged weather exposure. Allow 180 days maximum between application of air and water-resistive barrier and insulation board (90 days if StoGuard VaporSeal is used).

Refer to specific component product bulletins and packaging for other limitations that may apply involving use, handling, and storage of component materials.

Sustainable Design

Air Quality and VOC Compliance

All finish coatings, adhesives, and AWRB detail components and coatings meet South Coast AQMD (Rule 1113) standard for Building Envelope Coatings: VOC less than 50 g/L.

Sustainability

The system has high potential for LEED and other sustainability program credits based on efficient and effective use of a continuous air barrier and continuous exterior insulation and the resulting reductions in energy use and greenhouse gas emissions. The use of light weight metal studs and light weight finishes has positive impacts on life cycle energy use by reducing dead loads and structural support requirements when compared to mass wall and full thickness/weight veneer units. Sto GPS Board does not use fluorocarbon blowing agents (HFC, HCFC, or CFC) in manufacturing. It is recyclable and has excellent long term thermal stability, low global warming potential and zero ozone depletion potential.

Regulatory Compliance and Standards Testing			
UL ER16529-01	GPS Board listed and labeled by UL Solutions		
ICC ESR No. 1233	StoGuard complies with 2018 and 2021 IBC, IRC and IECC		
ASHRAE 90.1-2019 ¹	Complies with Section 5, Building Envelope, air barrier and continuous insulation requirements		
ASTM E 2357 ²	Air and Water-resistive Barrier system meets air leakage resistance criteria of ≤ 0.04 cfm/ft ² at 1.57 lb/ft ² (0.2 L/s•m ² at 75 Pa)		
NFPA 285 ³	Meets flame propagation criteria for use on Types I, II, III, IV construction with up to 12-in (305mm) of Sto GPS Board, 6-in (152mm) for StoCast Finishes (refer to ICC-ESR 1748 for details)		
ASTM E 119 ⁴ Meets requirements for use over fire-resistance-rated wall assemblies with maximum 6-in (152mm) thick insulation boa (102mm) for StoCast Finishes (refer to ICC ESR-1748 for details)			

- 1. Energy Standard for Buildings Except Low-Rise Residential Buildings
- 2. Standard Test Method for Determining Air Leakage Rate of Air Barrier Assemblies
- 3. Standard Fire Test Method for Evaluation of Fire Propagation Characteristics of Exterior Non-Load-Bearing Wall Assemblies Containing Combustible Components
- 4. Standard Test Methods for Fire Test of Building Construction and Materials

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