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1. Certificate Holder Details



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3. Description of Building Method or Product

Thermakraft Covertex 403 Roof and Wall Underlay is a synthetic, fire retardant, absorbent, breathable building underlay for use under roof and wall claddings. The product consists of a micro-porous water-resistant film ultrasonically bonded between two layers of non-woven spun-bonded polyolefin. Thermakraft Covertex 403 Roof and Wall Underlay is coloured white on the top and bottom faces with green Covertex 403 branding on the exposed face.

4. Intended use of Building Method or Product

Thermakraft Covertex 403 Roof and Wall Underlay is a non self-supporting underlay for use in internally lined areas under roof and wall claddings.

5. New Zealand Building Code Provisions

The System if designed, used, installed and maintained in accordance with the conditions of this Certificate will comply with or contribute to compliance with the following performance provisions of the NZ Building Code:

Clause B2 DURABILITY:	Performance B2.3.1(a), not less than 50 years, B2.3.1(b), 15 years and B2.3.2.
Clause C3 FIRE AFFECTING AREAS BEYOND THE FIRE SOURCE:	Performance C3.4 (c)
Clause E2 EXTERNAL MOISTURE:	Performance E2.3.2, E2.3.5, E2.3.6 and E2.3.7 when used as part of the roof or wall cladding system.
Clause F2 HAZARDOUS BUILDING MATERIALS:	Performance F2.3.1.

6. Conditions and Limitations of Use

1. Thermakraft Covertex 403 Roof and Wall Underlay use is certified
 - a. as non-self-supporting roof underlay on buildings:
 - i. within the scope limitations of NZBC Acceptable Solution E2/AS1, Paragraph 1.1 with regards to building height and floor plan area; and,
 - ii. with
 1. masonry tile roof cladding; or,



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2. with metal tile roof cladding or
 3. profiled metal roof cladding; and,
 - iii. situated in NZS 3604-2011 and NASH Standard Part 2:2019 light steel framed buildings Wind Zones up to, and including Extra High.
 - iv. with a roof pitch of 10° and above
 - b. as flexible wall underlay for buildings:
 - i. within the scope limitations of
 1. NZBC Acceptable Solution E2/AS1, Paragraph 1.1 for timber-framed buildings; or,
 2. NASH Building Envelope Solutions: 2019-Light Steel Framed Buildings, Paragraph 1.1 for steel-framed buildings; and,
 - ii. with absorbent or non-absorbent wall claddings either direct fixed or installed over an 18 mm minimum drained cavity; or,
 - iii. with masonry veneer in accordance with
 1. NZBC Acceptable Solution E2/AS1 for timber-framed buildings or
 2. NASH Building Envelope Solutions for steel-framed buildings; and,
 - iv. situated in
 1. NZS 3604 and NASH Standard Part 2:2019 - light steel framed buildings Wind Zones up to, and including, Very High; or,
 2. NZS 3604 and NASH Standard Part 2:2019 - light steel framed buildings up to, and including, Extra High when used over a rigid wall underlay in accordance with NZBC Acceptable Solution E2/AS1 or NASH Building Envelope Solutions Paragraph 9.1.7.2.
2. Thermakraft Covertek 403 Roof and Wall Underlay shall be used and installed in accordance with all relevant technical information relating to the products use contained within Kingspan- Product data Sheet - Thermakraft Covertek 403 Non self-supporting Roof and wall underlay (Issue 8.0, May 2025) and Kingspan- Installation Guide - Thermakraft Covertek 403 Non self-supporting Roof and wall underlay (Issue 5.0, May 2025) and the BRANZ Appraisal No. 917 (2025) Amended 1 July 2025 Thermakraft Covertek 403 Roof and Wall Underlay (refer to www.branz.co.nz).
3. Thermakraft Covertek 403 Roof and Wall Underlay must not be exposed to the weather or ultraviolet light before being covered for a total of more than:
 - a. 7 days when used as a roof underlay
 - b. 42 days when used as a wall underlay.
4. Thermakraft Covertek 403 Roof and Wall Underlay must not be used in any unlined applications (except in spaces without any permanent openings to allow entry of natural light e.g. attic spaces at gable ends), including but not limited to sheds, warehouses, garages, canopies, soffits and lean-to designs.
5. Thermakraft Covertek 403 Roof and Wall Underlay must be separated or protected from heat sources such as fireplaces, heating appliances, flues and chimneys.



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- When used as a roof underlay, Thermakraft Covertex 403 Roof and Wall Underlay can be installed vertically or horizontally and must span no greater than 300 mm in one direction between framing supports without additional underlay support. All underlay supports must be corrosion resistant material.
- When used as a wall underlay, in cavity installations where the cavity battens are installed at greater than 450 mm centres, Thermakraft Covertex 403 Roof and Wall Underlay must be restrained between the battens to prevent the underlay bulging into the cavity space when bulk insulation is installed in the wall frame cavity.

7. Health and Safety Information

Standard industry safety practices and manufacturer safety requirement as detailed in the technical literature including the applicable SDS must be observed at all times. When fixing the product in windy conditions, care must be taken due to the large sail area created.

8. Basis for Certification

The certification decision is based on independent technical review(s) of test report(s), engineering opinion(s) and other documented evidence(s), factory audit(s) and site review(s)

Code Objective Clause	Compliance pathway
Clause B2 DURABILITY	Verification method– Test report
Clause C3 FIRE AFFECTING AREAS BEYOND THE FIRE SOURCE	Acceptable solution – Test report
Clause E2 EXTERNAL MOISTURE	Alternative solution - Expert judgement supported by testing
Clause F2 HAZARDOUS BUILDING MATERIALS	Alternative solution - Expert judgement

9. Supporting Documentation for Certification

Nb	Author	Description	Date and/or Revision
001	BRANZ	Thermakraft Covertex 403 Roof and Wall Underlay - BRANZ Appraisal No. 917 (2025) Amended 1 July 2025	1 July 2025



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002 *BRANZ	BRANZ Appraisals Means of Compliance – Basis of Appraisal - Thermakraft Covertex 403 Roof and Wall Underlay BRANZ Appraisal 12/11/20 No. 917 (2020)	TV11588-010 dated
003 Kingspan	Product data Sheet - Thermakraft Covertex 403 Non self - supporting roof and wall underlay	Issue 8.0, May 2025
004 Kingspan	Installation Guide - Thermakraft Covertex 403 Non self - supporting roof and wall underlay	Issue 5.0, May 2025
005 Kingspan	Thermakraft Covertex Safety Data Sheet	Issue 5.0, April 2024

* These documents were provided commercial in confidence and are not publicly available

10. Supporting Information About Description (Optional)

Thermakraft Covertex 403 Roof and Wall Underlay is supplied in rolls 1.350 m wide x 18.6 m, 37.0 m and 56.0 m long. The product is printed with the Thermakraft Covertex 403 logo repeated along the length of the roll. The rolls are wrapped in clear polythene film.

Accessories used with Thermakraft Covertex 403 Roof and Wall Underlay which are supplied by the installer are:

- Fixings - stainless steel staples, clouts, screws or proprietary underlay fixings, or other temporary fixings to attach the roof underlay to the framing.
- Roof underlay support - polypropylene strap, or minimum 0.9 mm diameter galvanised steel wire mesh where required to support the roof underlay in accordance with NZBC Acceptable Solution E2/AS1, Paragraph 8.1.5.1. (Note: The mesh must be galvanised in accordance with AS/NZS 4534-2006.).
- Wall underlay restraint (timber frame) – polypropylene strap, 75 mm galvanised mesh or galvanised wire, or vertical cavity battens where required to restrain the wall underlay in accordance with NZBC Acceptable Solution E2/AS1, Paragraph 9.1.8.5.
- Wall underlay restraint (steel frame) – polypropylene strap, 75 mm galvanised mesh or galvanised wire, or vertical cavity battens where required to restrain the wall underlay in accordance with NASH Building Envelope Solutions: 2019-Light Steel Framed Buildings, Paragraph 9.1.9.5.
- Thermal break sheathing (steel framing) – in accordance with NASH Building Envelope Solutions: 2019-Light Steel Framed Buildings, Paragraph 11.4.3.2.

11. Supporting Information About Intended Use (Optional)



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Thermakraft Covertex 403 Roof and Wall Underlay is intended for use as an alternative to conventional kraft paper roof and wall underlays. Thermakraft Covertex 403 Roof and Wall Underlay is suitable for use under wall claddings as a wall underlay on timber-framed buildings and on steel-framed buildings, including non-absorbent wall claddings such as vinyl and metal-based weatherboards in direct fixed situations.

Thermakraft Covertex 403 Roof and Wall Underlay is suitable for use as an air barrier where walls are unlined in spaces without any permanent openings to allow entry of natural light (e.g. attic spaces at gable ends) in accordance with NZBC Acceptable Solution E2/AS1 or NASH Building Envelope Solutions, Paragraph 9.1.4 (c).

The material also provides a degree of temporary weather protection during early construction but the product will not make the building weathertight. Some wetting of the underlying structure is always possible before the cladding is installed. Hence, the entire building must be closed in and made weatherproof before moisture sensitive materials such as ceiling linings and insulation materials are installed.

12. Supporting Information About Conditions and Limitations of Use (Optional)

General

- Part 7 of NZBC Acceptable Solutions C/AS2 and NZBC Verification Method C/VM1 provide methods for separation and protection of combustible materials from heat sources.
- Any damaged areas of Thermakraft Covertex 403 Roof and Wall Underlay, such as tears, holes or gaps around service penetrations, must be repaired. Damaged areas can be repaired by covering with new material lapping the damaged area by at least 150 mm and taping, or by taping small tears.

When used as a Roof underlay:

- For roof pitches less than 10°, Thermakraft recommends the use of Covertex 407 Roof and Wall Underlay.
- Thermakraft Covertex 403 Roof and Wall Underlay must be fixed at maximum 300 mm centres to all framing members with large-head clouts 20 mm long, 6-8 mm stainless steel staples, self-drilling screws or proprietary underlay fixings. The underlay must be pulled taut over the framing before fixing.
- The roof underlay must extend from the ridge and overhang the fascia board by 20-25 mm.
- Vertical laps must be no less than 150 mm wide. Horizontal laps must also be no less than 150 mm, with the direction of the lap ensuring that water is shed to the outer face of the underlay. End laps must be made over framing and be no less than 150 mm wide. To assist with achieving the correct lap dimension, Thermakraft Covertex 403 Roof and Wall Underlay has a 150 mm lap line printed continuously along the top face.

When used as a wall underlay:

- Thermakraft Covertex 403 Roof and Wall Underlay must be run horizontally and must extend from the upper-side of the top plate to the under-side of the bearers or wall plates supporting ground floor joists, or below bottom plates on concrete slabs. Horizontal laps must be no less than 150 mm wide, with the direction of the lap ensuring that water is shed to the outer face of the underlay. End laps must be made over framing and be no less than 150 mm wide.
- Thermakraft Covertex 403 Roof and Wall Underlay should be run over openings and these left covered until windows and doors are ready to be installed. Openings are formed in the underlay by cutting on a 45 degree diagonal from each corner of the penetration. The laps of



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the cut underlay must be folded inside the opening and stapled to the penetration framing. Excess underlay may be cut off flush with the internal face of the wall frame.

- Thermakraft Covertex 403 Roof and Wall Underlay can be added as a second layer over head flashings in accordance with the requirements of NZBC Acceptable Solution E2/AS1, Paragraph 9.1.10.3 for timber framing or NASH Building Envelope Solutions Paragraph 9.1.11.3 for steel framing.
- NZBC Acceptable Solution E2/AS1, Paragraph 9.1.8.5 for timber frame or NASH Building Envelope Solutions: 2019-Light Steel Framed Buildings, Paragraph 9.1.9.5 for steel frame provide information on Wall underlay restraint options include polypropylene strap, 75 mm galvanised mesh or galvanised wire, vertical cavity battens or thermal break sheathing (steel frame only).

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