Exposure Guidelines

Vycor® Self-Adhered Flashings (VYCOR® Plus, VYCOR® V40, VYCOR® Aluminum, VYCOR® PRO and VYCOR® Deck Protector) are not intended to be left permanently exposed to direct sunlight. Flashings should be covered and protected from sunlight as soon as possible. To accommodate construction scheduling or weather problems, VYCOR® Plus, VYCOR® V40, and VYCOR® Deck Protector may be left exposed up to 30 days if necessary. VYCOR® PRO maximum recommended exposure limit is 120 days. VYCOR® Aluminum may be exposed up to one year, but is not intended for permanent exposure.

During the time period the product is left exposed, there are two primary factors that could affect the flashing: heat and ultraviolet (UV) radiation. Product performance should not change, but there may be some changes in appearance depending on the climate and length of exposure. After the maximum recommended exposure limit, it is possible for the membrane to appear slightly wrinkled. There may be a small amount of curling at the edges of the membrane. Before covering the membrane after such a long exposure, the flashing should be inspected to ensure that any wrinkling, curling or other movement that has taken place has not affected typical detail areas. Visit gcpat.com for a complete list of common flashing details.

If a wrinkle extends to the edge of an overlap, it must be cut, pressed down, and patched before the wall covering is installed. Extend a patch 6 inches in all directions, where applicable, past the damaged area. Seal any non-water-shedding edges of patch with compatible sealant.

If exposures longer than the recommended limits are anticipated, please contact your local GCP technical sales representative.