

Please find results for permeability of 10mm Sempatap sample.

Permeability, etc. see attached for definitions

WET CUP TEST	Thickness	Permeance of sample	Permeability	SD	DRF
5 samples	mm	Kg/s.m <sup>2</sup> .Pa	Kg/s.m.Pa		
Sempatap	10	3.88E-09	3.88E-07	0.05	4.97

Again thanks for the sample materials.

Kind Regards

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## Water Vapour Permeance

The density of water vapour flow rate divided by the water vapour pressure difference between the two specimen faces.

The mass change rate is  $G$  (kg/s) calculated from successive weighings of the specimens.

The density of water vapour flow rate,  $g$ , is given by:

$$g = G/A \quad \text{kg/sm}^2$$

where  $A$  is the exposed area of the test specimen, in  $\text{m}^2$ .

The water vapour permeance,  $W$ , is given by :

$$W = \frac{G}{A\Delta p_v} \quad \text{kg/sm}^2\text{Pa}$$

The value of the vapour pressure gradient  $\Delta p_v$  is calculated from the mean of the measured temperature and relative humidity over the course of the test on each side of the sample.

## Water Vapour Permeability

The product of the water vapour permeance and the thickness ( $d$  m) of a homogeneous specimen.

## Water vapour diffusion resistance factor (DRF) or $\mu$ -value

The  $\mu$ -value represents the ratio of the diffusion coefficients of water vapour in air and in the building material.

## SD-value or vapour diffusion thickness

The SD-value or vapour diffusion thickness expresses the diffusion resistance of a layer. For a material layer with diffusion resistance factor  $\mu$  and thickness  $d$  (m), the product  $\mu \cdot d$  gives the thickness which a stagnant air layer would need in order to have the same diffusion resistance.

## Note

The Permeance and the SD-value relate to the performance of the sample material with thickness  $d$  metres.

The Permeability and the DRF relate to the performance of the sample material per metre thickness.