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## VUBA RESIN BOUND SURFACING

## VUBA RESIN BOUND UVR SYSTEM

This Agrément Certificate Product Sheet<sup>(1)</sup> relates to the Vuba Resin Bound UVR System, a resin-bound surface course system, for use on new or maintenance pavement constructions, in domestic driveways, patios, pedestrian areas, lightly trafficked car parks, low speed access roads and lightly trafficked areas.

(1) Hereinafter referred to as 'Certificate'.

### The assessment includes

#### Product factors:

- compliance with Building Regulations
- compliance with additional regulatory or non-regulatory information where applicable
- evaluation against technical specifications
- assessment criteria and technical investigations
- uses and design considerations

#### Process factors:

- compliance with Scheme requirements
- installation, delivery, handling and storage
- production and quality controls
- maintenance and repair

#### Ongoing contractual Scheme elements†:

- regular assessment of production
- formal 3-yearly review



### KEY FACTORS ASSESSED

- Section 1. Mechanical resistance and stability
- Section 2. Safety in case of fire
- Section 3. Hygiene, health and the environment
- Section 4. Safety and accessibility in use
- Section 5. Protection against noise
- Section 6. Energy economy and heat retention
- Section 7. Sustainable use of natural resources
- Section 8. Durability

The BBA has awarded this Certificate to the company named above for the system described herein. This system has been assessed by the BBA as being fit for its intended use provided it is installed, used and maintained as set out in this Certificate.

On behalf of the British Board of Agrément

Date of issue: 27 August 2024

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Chief Executive Officer

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## SUMMARY OF ASSESSMENT AND COMPLIANCE

This section provides a summary of the assessment conclusions; readers should refer to the later sections of this Certificate for information about the assessments carried out.

### Compliance with Regulations

Having assessed the key factors, the opinion of the BBA is that the Vuba Resin Bound UVR System, if installed, used and maintained in accordance with this Certificate, can satisfy or contribute to satisfying the relevant requirements of the following Building Regulations:



#### The Building Regulations 2010 (England and Wales) (as amended)

<b>Requirement:</b>	<b>H3(2)</b>	<b>Drainage of paved areas</b>
Comment:		The system can contribute to satisfying this Requirement. See section 3 of this Certificate.
<b>Requirement:</b>	<b>M1</b>	<b>Access to and use of buildings other than dwellings (Volume 2)</b>
<b>Requirement:</b>	<b>M2</b>	<b>Access to extensions to buildings other than dwellings</b>
<b>Requirement:</b>	<b>M4(1)(2)(3)</b>	<b>Access to and use of buildings, volume 1: dwellings</b>
Comment:		The system can contribute to satisfying this Requirement. See section 1 of this Certificate.
<b>Regulation:</b>	<b>7(1)</b>	<b>Materials and workmanship</b>
Comment:		The system is acceptable. See sections 8 and 9 of this Certificate.



#### The Building (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (as amended)

<b>Regulation:</b>	<b>8(1)(2)</b>	<b>Fitness and durability of materials and workmanship</b>
Comment:		The system is acceptable. See sections 8 and 9 of this Certificate.
<b>Regulation:</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>Building standards – construction</b>
Standard:	2.12	Fire and rescue service access
Comment:		The system will contribute to satisfying this Standard, with reference to clauses 2.12.0 <sup>(1)(2)</sup> , 2.12.2 <sup>(1)(2)</sup> and 2.12.3 <sup>(1)(2)</sup> . See section 1 of this Certificate.
Standard:	3.6	Surface water drainage
Comment:		The system will contribute to satisfying this Standard, with reference to clauses 3.6.2 <sup>(1)(2)</sup> , 3.6.3 <sup>(1)(2)</sup> , 3.6.4 <sup>(1)(2)</sup> and 3.6.6 <sup>(1)(2)</sup> . See section 3 of this Certificate.
Standard:	4.1	Access to buildings
Comment:		Use of the system will contribute towards compliance with this Standard, with reference to clause 4.1.4 <sup>(1)(2)</sup> . See section 1 of this Certificate.
Standard:	7.1(a)	Statement of sustainability
Comment:		The system can contribute to satisfying the relevant requirements of Regulation 9, Standards 1 to 6, and therefore will contribute to a construction meeting a bronze level of sustainability as defined in this Standard.
<b>Regulation:</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>Building standards – conversion</b>
Comment:		All comments given for the system under Regulation 9, Standards 1 to 6, also apply to this Regulation, with reference to clause 0.12.1 <sup>(1)(2)</sup> and Schedule 6 <sup>(1)(2)</sup>
		(1) Technical Handbook (Domestic).
		(2) Technical Handbook (Non-Domestic).



## The Building Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2012 (as amended)

<b>Regulation:</b>	<b>23(1)(a)(i)(ii)</b>	<b>Fitness of materials and workmanship</b>
Comment:	<b>(iii)(iv)(b)(i)</b>	The system is acceptable. See sections 8 and 9 of this Certificate.
<b>Regulation:</b>	<b>82(a)(b)</b>	<b>Rainwater drainage</b>
Comment:		The system will contribute to satisfying this Regulation. See section 3 of this Certificate.
<b>Regulation:</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>Facilities and access for the fire and rescue service</b>
<b>Regulation:</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>Access and use</b>
<b>Regulation:</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>Access to extensions</b>
Comment:		The system will contribute to satisfying these Regulations. See section 1 of this Certificate.

### Additional Information

#### NHBC Standards 2024

In the opinion of the BBA, the Vuba Resin Bound UVR System, if installed, used and maintained in accordance with this Certificate, can satisfy or contribute to satisfying the relevant requirements in relation to *NHBC Standards*, Chapter 10.2 *Drives, paths and landscaping*.

### Fulfilment of Requirements

The BBA has judged the Vuba Resin Bound UVR System to be satisfactory for use as described in this Certificate. The system has been assessed as a resin-bound surface course system, for use on new or maintenance pavement constructions, in domestic driveways, patios, pedestrian areas, lightly trafficked car parks, low speed access roads and lightly trafficked areas.

### ASSESSMENT

#### Product description and intended use

The Certificate holder provided the following description for the system under assessment. The Vuba Resin Bound UVR System consists of:

- solvent-free cold-applied two-part resin (Part A) and hardener (Part B) binder system
- 1 to 3 mm and 2 to 6 mm sized aggregates
- Vuba binding quartz.

#### Ancillary Items

The Certificate holder recommends the following ancillary items for use with the system, but these materials have not been assessed by the BBA and are outside the scope of this Certificate:

- crushed glass grit – may be scattered on top of the binder to provide safe additional slip resistance
- catalyst – may be mixed with the binder to reduce curing times, if necessary.

#### Applications

The system can be applied to a bituminous substrate, provided the underlying layers of the pavement are stable and have sufficient load-spreading capabilities to support the imposed loading of the surfacing during installation and the expected service life.

## Product assessment – key factors

The system was assessed for the following key factors, and the outcome of the assessments is shown below. Conclusions relating to the Building Regulations apply to the whole of the UK unless otherwise stated.

### 1 Mechanical resistance and stability

Data were assessed for the following characteristics.

#### 1.1 Strength and stability

1.1.1 The result of a resistance to scuffing test is given in Table 1.

*Table 1 Resistance to scuffing*

System assessed	Assessment method	Requirement	Result
Vuba Resin Bound UVR System	Scuffing at 45 °C to TRL Report 176 : 1997, Appendix G, Erosion Index	< 5	0.8

*Table 2 Tensile adhesion*

System assessed	Assessment method	Requirement	Result
Vuba Resin Bound UVR System	Tensile adhesion to TRL 176 Report 176 : 1997, Appendix J Control on asphalt	Value achieved	0.40 N·mm <sup>-2</sup>

1.1.2 On the basis of data assessed, the system has satisfactory resistance to the loads associated with the vehicle and pedestrian traffic conditions for which it is designed.

### 2 Safety in case of fire

Not applicable.

### 3 Hygiene, health and the environment

Data were assessed for the following characteristics.

#### 3.1 Water permeability

3.1.1 The results of water permeability tests are given in Table 3.

*Table 3 Permeability*

System assessed	Assessment method	Requirement	Result <sup>(1)</sup>
Vuba Resin Bound UVR System	Permeability (10 <sup>-3</sup> ·m·s <sup>-1</sup> ) to BS EN 12697-19 : 2020 Vertical Horizontal	Value achieved	0.102 0.072

(1) Mean of two results

3.1.2 On the basis of data assessed, water will drain through the surface course into the pavement substrate, thereby reducing or eliminating surface ponding.

3.1.3 The vertical and horizontal flow rates are affected by the aggregate size used in the mix.

### 4 Safety and accessibility in use

Data were assessed for the following characteristics.

#### 4.1 Skid resistance

4.1.1 The result of a skid resistance test is given in Table 4.

<i>Table 4 Skid resistance</i>			
System assessed	Assessment method	Requirement	Result
Vuba Resin Bound UVR System	Skid resistance value (initial) to TRL Report 176 : 1997, Appendix E	Value achieved	45

4.1.2 On the basis of data assessed, the system has satisfactory initial skid resistance.

## 4.2 Surface Texture

<i>Table 5 Surface texture depth</i>			
System assessed	Assessment method	Requirement	Result
Vuba Resin Bound UVR System	Surface texture (mm) to BS EN 13036-1 : 2010 <sup>(1)</sup> Initial	≥0.6	1.2

(1) Results obtained as part of resistance to scuffing testing.

4.2.2 On the basis of data assessed, the system has sufficient surface texture for the intended application.

## 5 Protection against noise

Not applicable.

## 6 Energy economy and heat retention

Not applicable.

## 7 Sustainable use of natural resources

Not applicable.

## 8 Durability

8.1 The potential mechanisms for degradation and the known performance characteristics of the materials in this system were assessed.

8.2 Specific tests were carried out as shown in Table 6.

<i>Table 6 Surface texture depth</i>			
System assessed	Assessment method	Requirement	Result
Vuba Resin Bound UVR System	Surface texture (mm) to BS EN 13036-1 : 2010 <sup>(1)</sup> Retained	Value achieved	1.3

(1) Results obtained as part of resistance to scuffing testing.

8.2.1 A visual inspection was made of existing sites, which confirmed satisfactory performance in service.

### 8.3 Service life

8.3.1 Under normal service conditions, the system will have a service life in excess of conventional asphalt surfacing, provided it is designed, installed and maintained in accordance with this Certificate and the Certificate holder's instructions.

8.3.2 The system has a good resistance to most chemicals likely to be spilt on road surfaces or parking areas, such as diesel, engine oil, hydraulic fluid, antifreeze and battery acid. However, any spillages must be removed as soon as possible to avoid staining or potential contamination due to the porous nature of the surface.

## PROCESS ASSESSMENT

Information provided by the Certificate holder was assessed for the following factors:

### 9 Design, installation, workmanship and maintenance

#### 9.1 Design

9.1.1 The design process was assessed by the BBA, and the following requirements apply in order to satisfy the performance specified in this Certificate.

9.1.2 The system is designed incorporating a blend of 1 to 3 mm and 2 to 6 mm sized aggregates. The choice of aggregate type must be made by a suitably experienced and competent individual on the basis of site-specific details, including location and contractual requirements for polished stone value (PSV), texture depth, colour, porosity, and any other properties.

9.1.3 The Certificate holder must be consulted on the structural design and suitability of the pavement structure, but such advice is outside the scope of this Certificate. The design of the base and binder course layers must take into account the anticipated rainfall, traffic loading and ground conditions, and the key factors assessed and identified in this Certificate.

#### 9.2 Installation

9.2.1 Installation instructions provided by the Certificate holder were assessed and judged to be appropriate and adequate.

9.2.2 Installation must be carried out in accordance with this Certificate and the Certificate holder's instructions.

9.2.3 To achieve the performance described in this Certificate, the system must be installed in accordance with the BBA Agreed Method Statement and this Certificate.

9.2.4 Ambient and pavement surface temperatures, along with relative humidity, must be recorded at the start and, if the weather is variable, during the installation process. Installation must not proceed in inclement weather (cold, persistent heavy rainfall, or stormy) or if:

- the relative humidity is below 30 % or above 80 %
- the surface temperature is less than the dew point of the measured air temperature and relative humidity
- the operating temperature and road surface temperature and/or air temperature is outside the range of 5 to 30 °C.

9.2.5 Rates of spread will be dictated by the required installed depths and the aggregate size. The minimum nominal installation depth is 15 mm for pedestrian walkways, and a minimum depth of 18 mm for vehicular use.

9.2.6 All imperfections in the substrate not acceptable to the installer must be reinstated with a material approved by the purchaser in consultation with the installer.

9.2.7 The road surface must be clean, dry and free from ice, frost, loose aggregate, oil, grease, road salt and other loose matter likely to impair adhesion of the system to the road surfacing.

9.2.8 The aggregate bags are emptied into an upright forced action mixer, and mixed.

9.2.9 The binder components are supplied in 'ready for use' volume-specific containers and are separately mixed together using a high torque / slow speed handheld drill for a minimum of 90 seconds until a smooth and consistent mix is achieved. If the resin is not already pre-catalysed then an appropriate quantity of catalyst may be added, dependent upon temperature.

9.2.10 The binder mix is then added immediately into the forced action mixer and mixed for 3 minutes. The Vuba binding quartz is gradually added shortly after the resin mix (NB during the same 3-minute mixing time), to produce a homogenous mix.

9.2.11 Pot life must never be exceeded.

9.2.12 The mixed material is immediately transferred to the prepared lay area and is spread evenly to the correct required minimum depth, using either a hand trowel or power trowel.

9.2.13 The final surface should be finished with a hand trowel to ensure a smooth and level installation.

9.2.14 The steps covered in sections 9.2.8 to 9.1.13 are repeated, until the required area has been completed, ensuring that a 'wet edge' is retained to adjoin to all subsequent mixes.

9.2.15 The maximum working time for each mix is 45 minutes to ensure that a 'wet edge' is retained.

9.2.16 The system must be allowed to cure. During the curing period no disturbance or trafficking is permitted.

### 9.3 Workmanship

Practicability of installation was assessed by the BBA, on the basis of the Certificate holder's information and a site visit to witness an installation in progress. To achieve the performance described in this Certificate, installation of the system must be carried out by contractors approved by the Certificate holder.

### 9.4 Maintenance and repair

9.4.1 Ongoing satisfactory performance of the system in use requires that it is suitably maintained. The guidance provided by the Certificate holder was assessed and found to be appropriate and adequate.

The following requirements apply in order to satisfy the performance assessed in this Certificate:

9.4.2 Localised damage must be repaired by cutting out and replacing, as described in section 9.2, using the same batched materials as originally supplied.

9.4.3 Regular cleaning will help to maintain the appearance of the system. This can be achieved with regular sweeping and jet washing.

## **10 Manufacture**

10.1 The production processes for the system have been assessed, and provide assurance that the quality controls are satisfactory according to the following factors:

10.1.1 The manufacturer has provided documented information on the materials, processes, testing and control factors.

10.1.2 The quality control operated over batches of incoming materials has been assessed and deemed appropriate and adequate.

10.1.3 The quality control procedures and product testing to be undertaken have been assessed and deemed appropriate and adequate.

10.1.4 The process for management of non-conformities has been assessed and deemed appropriate and adequate.

10.1.5 An audit of each production location was undertaken, and it was confirmed that the production process was in accordance with the documented process, and that equipment has been properly tested and calibrated.

† 10.2 The BBA has undertaken to review the above measures on a regular basis through a surveillance process, to verify that the specifications and quality control operated by the manufacturer are being maintained.

## **11 Delivery and site handling**

11.1 The Certificate holder stated that the binder is delivered to site in two parts: Part A in a 10-litre tub containing 3.95 kg and Part B in a 3.8-litre tub containing 3.55 kg. Containers bear the product and name, Certificate holder's name, batch number, health and safety information and weight of contents in kilograms.

11.2 Each grade of aggregate (1 to 3 mm; 2 to 6 mm) is supplied to site in separate 25 kg bags for blending by the installer, alongside a 5 kg bag of Vuba binding quartz.

11.3 Delivery and site handling must be performed in accordance with the Certificate holder's instructions.



## ANNEX A – SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

Supporting information in this Annex is relevant to the system but has not formed part of the material assessed for the Certificate.

### Construction (Design and Management) Regulations 2015

### Construction (Design and Management) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2016

Information in this Certificate may assist the client, designer (including Principal Designer) and contractor (including Principal Contractor) to address their obligations under these Regulations.

### CLP Regulations

The Certificate holder has taken the responsibility of classifying and labelling the system components under the *GB CLP Regulation* and *CLP Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008 - classification, labelling and packaging of substances and mixtures*. Users must refer to the relevant Safety Data Sheet(s).

## Bibliography

BS 5284 : 1993 *Methods of sampling and testing mastic asphalt used in building and civil engineering — Section 6 Hardness number test*

BS EN 12697-19 : 2020 *Bituminous mixtures — Test methods for hot mix asphalt — Permeability of specimen*

BS EN 13036-1 : 2010 *Road and airfield surface characteristics — Test methods — Measurement of pavement surface macrotexture depth using a volumetric patch technique*

BS EN ISO 527-1 : 2012 *Plastics — Determination of tensile properties — General principles*

BS EN ISO 527-3 : 1998 *Plastics — Determination of tensile properties — Test conditions for films and sheets*

TRL Report 176 : 1997 *Laboratory tests on high friction surfaces for highways*

## Conditions of Certificate

### Conditions

1 This Certificate:

- relates only to the product that is named and described on the front page
- is issued only to the company, firm, organisation or person named on the front page – no other company, firm, organisation or person may hold or claim that this Certificate has been issued to them
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3 This Certificate will be displayed on the BBA website, and the Certificate Holder is entitled to use the Certificate and Certificate logo, provided that the product and its manufacture and/or fabrication, including all related and relevant parts and processes thereof:

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- continue to be checked as and when deemed appropriate by the BBA under arrangements that it will determine
- are reviewed by the BBA as and when it considers appropriate.

4 The BBA has used due skill, care and diligence in preparing this Certificate, but no warranty is provided.

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6 Any information relating to the manufacture, supply, installation, use, maintenance and removal of this product which is contained or referred to in this Certificate is the minimum required to be met when the product is manufactured, supplied, installed, used, maintained and removed. It does not purport in any way to restate the requirements of the Health and Safety at Work etc. Act 1974, or of any other statutory, common law or other duty which may exist at the date of issue or reissue of this Certificate; nor is conformity with such information to be taken as satisfying the requirements of the 1974 Act or of any statutory, common law or other duty of care.

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