



## Graphite Polystyrene (GPS) Rigid Foam Insulation

Halo® Subterra® Protection Board are rigid foam insulation boards made from graphite infused expanded polystyrene (GPS). The boards are coated with a polypropylene woven fabric on both sides and the tough woven fabric laminate makes Subterra® Protection Board strong and durable against repeated loading conditions.

Suitable for use in residential, multi-residential, commercial, and industrial buildings for below-slab applications providing the air and vapor barrier, radon barrier, void form protection, and continuous insulation.

### BASIC USE

- Below-grade exterior walls
- Under-slab
- Perimeter insulation



### Product Features

Stable long term thermal resistance (R4.7 per inch (25.4mm))	Environmentally responsible	Flexible	Durable	Vapor retarder

### Environmental & Sustainability

- Produced without the use of chlorofluorocarbon (CFCs), hydrochlorofluorocarbon (HCFCs) or formaldehyde. As a result, Halo® Subterra® Board will not produce harmful emissions to the environment.

### Physical Properties

		COMPLIANCE	Subterra® 16 <sup>c</sup> Type II	Subterra® 16 <sup>c</sup> Type 2
<b>THERMAL RESISTANCE<sup>a</sup></b>	At 75°F (24°C)	ASTM C518	R-5	0.88 RSI
<b>PHYSICAL</b>	Compressive Resistance at 10% def., Min.	ASTM D1621	16 psi	110 kPa
	Flexural Resistance Min.	ASTM C203	70 psi	483 kPa
	Dimensional Stability Max.	ASTM D2126	2%	1.5%
	Air Leakage	ASTM E2178 / ULC S741	Air leakage at taped joints 0.0074 cfm/ft2 (0.0035 L/s*m2)	
<b>MOISTURE</b>	Water Vapor Permeance Max. <sup>a</sup>	ASTM E96		
	Water Absorption Max.	ASTM C272	1.1%	
	Water Resistance: Hydrostatic Pressure	AATCC 127 ICC ES AC71	Passed - No water leakage was observed at the underside of the Subterra® Protection insulation boards	
<b>FIRE</b>	Flame Spread Index, Max.	ASTM E84 (CAN/ULC S102.)	<=25 (<230)	
	Smoke Developed Index, Max.		<=450 (>500)	
	Thickness, Max.		4" (102mm)	
	Density, Max.		2.2 pcf (35 kg/m3)	
	Oxygen Index, Min.	ASTM D2863	24%	
<b>RADON</b>	Radon Resistance	The NRC Radon Diffusion Test Chamber <sup>e</sup>	More than 7 times higher radon resistance than 6 mil polyethylene membranes. Subterra Protection Board: 1.39x108 s/m at 1/2" thickness 6 mil polyethylene vapor barrier: 1.90x107 s/m	

a. At 1" nominal thickness (actual thickness = 1.06" (26.92 mm))  
b. Unless noted otherwise, properties are based on 1" (25.4 mm) thickness without laminate.  
c. Other compressive strengths may be available. Contact your local manufacturer for availability.  
d. Based on independent testing conducted by QAI with laminate and 1" thick GPS

e. Since 6 mil polyethylene membrane is almost two orders of magnitude thinner than then tested 1/2" thick Subterra Protection Board, the NRC project team considers radon resistance a more appropriate radon prevention performance indicator compared to radon diffusion coefficient. As previously mentioned, materials with a higher radon resistance are considered less permeable to radon and therefore can prevent or reduce radon ingress more effectively.



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## Technical Information

- Halo® products should be protected from reflective or direct UV exposure. Always keep stored Halo® products tarped or covered to protect from weather, and when possible store indoors. Do not use a clear plastic covering film.
- Until Halo® Subterra® Protection Board is covered the following recommendations will help ensure installed products maintain manufactured dimensions.
- Remove or cover the surface that is casting a reflection on installed Halo® products, or shield the affected Halo® products.
- Cover Halo® Subterra® Protection Board if left exposed for more than 30 days. Faded printing on Halo® laminates is normal and will not degrade the products properties.
- Ensure all butt joints are tightly fitted and apply sheathing tape or liquid sealant as soon as possible.
- Immediately tape seal or temporarily cover all joints of inside corners until tape sealant is applied.
- Prior to use of adhesives, sealants or other similar products with GPS insulation please verify the compatibility with adhesive manufacturers.
- Halo® Subterra® Protection Board products are made of combustible materials and may need to be protected from high heat sources. In addition, a thermal barrier may be required when used on the interior of a building. Refer to the local building code for appropriate protection and thermal barrier requirements.

## Sizes

	BOARD THICKNESS	BOARD SIZE
Halo Subterra	1-1/16" (27mm), 1-5/8" (41mm), 2-1/8" (54mm)	4' x 8' (1230mm x 2460mm)

Note: Custom sizes are available upon request. Please contact the local Logix Brands representative.

## Packaging

Halo® packaging and bundle sizes vary. Please contact your local Halo® manufacturer or dealer to confirm your local packaging specifications and available

## Manufacturers

- AMC Foam Technologies Inc.  
35 Headingley St.  
Headingley Manitoba, R4H 0A8  
877-789-7622
- Beaver Thermal Solutions Inc.  
11581-272 St.  
Acheson, Alberta, T7X 6E9  
888-453-5961
- Beaver Thermal Solutions Inc.  
#215-44393 Simpson Rd.  
Chilliwack, BC V2R 5M3  
888.453.5961

## Applicable Standards

ASTM C578	Standard Specification for Rigid, Cellular Polystyrene Thermal Insulation.
ASTM C518	Standard Test Method for Steady-state Thermal Transmission Properties by Means of the Heat Flow Meter Apparatus.
ASTM D1621	Standard Test Method for Compressive Properties of Rigid Cellular Plastics.
ASTM D2842	Standard Test Method for Water Absorption of Rigid Cellular Plastics.
ASTM E84	Standard Test Method for Surface Burning Characteristics of Building Materials.
ASTM E96	Standard Test Methods for Water Vapor Transmission of Materials.
ASTM C203	Standard Test Methods for Breaking Load and Flexural Properties of Block-Type Thermal Insulation.
ASTM D2863	Standard Test Method for Measuring the Minimum Oxygen Concentration to Support Candle-Like Combustion of Plastics (Oxygen Index).
CAN/ULC-S701	Standard for Thermal Insulation, Polystyrene, Boards and Pipe Covering.
AATCC Test Method 127 ICC ES AC71	Acceptance Criteria for Foam Plastic Sheathing Panels Used as Weather Resistive Barriers.
ASTM C272	Standard Test Method for Water Absorption of Core Materials for Sandwich Constructions
ASTM D2126	Standard Test Method for Response of Rigid Cellular Plastics to Thermal And Humid Aging

## Limited Warranty

Subject to the terms and conditions contained in the Limited Warranty, the Manufacturer (as defined herein) warrants that if the representative thermal insulation value of the Halo® insulation products Halo® Interra®, Halo® Exterra®, or Halo® Subterra® (the "Product" or "Products") varies from the published thermal resistance, the Manufacturer will, when a claim under the attached Limited Warranty is made within fifteen (15) years from the date of manufacture, refund the original purchase price to the first owner of a structure in which the Product has been installed (the "Owner"). For the purposes of the Limited Warranty, the original purchase price of the Product shall be exclusive of taxes and all other costs, including builder mark ups, labor costs and costs to remove the original Product and replace it with new Product.

For more information refer to the [Halo Zero Thermal Drift Guarantee](#).

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## Technical Support

For North American technical inquires please contact: [techdepart@logixbrands.com](mailto:techdepart@logixbrands.com)

## Code Evaluation Approvals

- CCMC 14004-L
- QAI Listing B1031-2



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