



# Aluma Flash™

## Product Information Sheet

Poly Wall® Building Solutions is an innovator of high-quality, cost-effective, engineered building materials. We stand behind our brand promise — **Moisture and Air Stop Here®**. Visit our website at [www.poly-wall.com](http://www.poly-wall.com) for the full array of products.

### DESCRIPTION

Poly Wall® Aluma Flash™ is a self-adhering, self-sealing, waterproof rubberized asphalt tape, laminated to polyethylene film, with a top protective layer of aluminum to provide protection from UV exposure for 2 years. The coating is supplied in rolls, with an easy to remove film release sheet, for easy application. Aluma Flash™ is available in 20 mil thickness and a variety of roll sizes.

### USES

Aluma Flash™ products are used to strip in or flash straight window frames, and other construction seams, when additional UV resistance is required. (May be left exposed up to 2 years.)

### ADVANTAGES

- Especially made for extended UV exposure up to 2 years.
- Simple application: On and off the job site quickly.
- Self seals: Providing a smooth watertight surface around nails, staples, and fasteners.
- Superior adhesion: Enhancing speed on the job. Improves productivity in a variety of conditions.
- Great elasticity: Resists cracking or tearing if structural movement occurs.

### INSTALLATION

The **sequence** of installation is:

1. Install horizontal strip on sill.
2. Set window unit.
3. Adhere vertical strips to jamb flanges and sheathing.
4. Adhere horizontal strip to straight head flange and sheathing.
5. Roll all tape surfaces with a hand roller.

### WHY USE POLY WALL® ALUMA FLASH™?

- 60 years of successful waterproofing experience.
- Aluminum backing has limited UV protection to allow for longer exposure.
- Poly Wall is an employee owned company, where employees expect more of themselves and the company.
- Made in the USA.
- See more online, visit us at [www.poly-wall.com](http://www.poly-wall.com).

### STORAGE

Clean and dry inside storage is recommended. When installing in cool weather, store material inside at room temperature for 24 hours prior to installation. Keeping the roll warm will improve the adhesion and workability of the material when you install it.

### WARNINGS

• Warning: The use of this product in conjunction with other building materials that contain free or readily released solvents, oils, or plasticizers may result in the contamination or deterioration of either or both of the products. Please consult PolyWall prior to using building materials not specifically designed for use with this product. The use of building materials not recommended for use with this product will void any and all warranties associate with this product and/or the PolyWall Building Solutions system.



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**LIMITATIONS:** Aluma Flash™ can be applied to vinyl windows which have rigid fins. However, Aluma Flash™ should not be applied to flexible PVC film or surfaces. This material is NOT compatible with EPDM materials and is not compatible with sealants and caulks containing plasticizers or solvents. Test for adhesion at the start of the job to see if there is sufficient adhesion. Use of a heat gun or liquid adhesive can also improve adhesion at lower temperatures. This material may also be mechanically fastened using nails, screws, or staples if conditions make adhesion difficult. Poly Wall's Aluma Flash™ may be left exposed to UV sunlight for up to 1 year.

**LIMITED WARRANTY:** Poly Wall Building Solutions will replace F.O.B. Ennis, TX, any material with manufacturing defects which cause leaks for a period of 1 year from date of purchase. Poly Wall Building Solutions will not be liable for any other claims or damages, whether direct or indirect, including consequential damages or incidental damages.

## Aluma Flash™ (20 mil)

ROLL SIZES	ROLLS/BX	LIN FT PER BOX	LBS/ BOX	BOXES/ PALLET
4" X 100'	12	1200	60	36
6" X 100'	8	800	56	36
9" X 100'	4	400	44	45
12" X 100'	4	400	48	36

## Aluma Flash™ Properties

PROPERTY	TEST METHODS	RESULTS
Thickness - mils		20
Water Vapor Transmission US perms (g/Pa-s-m <sup>2</sup> )	ASTM E 96 B	0.014
Peel Adhesion to Primed - lb/in.width (N/mm)	ASTM D 1000	15.0
Tensile Strength Film - PSI (N/mm <sup>2</sup> )	ASTM D 882 (Method A)	5000
Elongation - Ultimate Failure of Rubberized Asphalt - %	ASTM D 412 (Modified Die C)	> 85%
Low Temperature Pliability @ -15 deg F (-26 deg C)	ASTM D 146 (Modified)	no effect

## Aluma Flash™ Testing Results

TEST	RESULT	MINIMUM REQUIREMENT	PASS / FAIL
Tensile Strength	368 psi	143 psi	Pass
Water Penetration Resistance around Nails - Prior to Thermal Cycling	No water in bottom can, on nail shanks or on the underside of the sheathing	No water in bottom can, on nail shanks or on the underside of the sheathing	Pass
Water Penetration Resistance around Nails - After Thermal Cycling	No water in bottom can, on nail shanks or on the underside of the sheathing	No water in bottom can, on nail shanks or on the underside of the sheathing	Pass
90° Peel Adhesion on OSB	2.7 lbs/in	1.5 lbs/in	Pass
Cold Temperature Pliability	No visible signs of cracking	No visible signs of cracking	Pass
Resistance to Peeling to Itself	No peeling	Report Only	Pass

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# INSTALLATION GUIDE FOR ALUMA FLASH™ WEATHER RESISTANT BARRIER (WRB)

The installation guide is intended for simple application on a WRB. All surfaces must be clean, dust-free, smooth and dry. All edges must be shingle lapped to prevent entry of water. Poly Wall recommends using a hand roller on all tape surfaces.

For full application directions scan here



## STEP 1 - Preparation, Cutting WRB, Sill Flashing



1. Install a back dam and or positive slope on the sill.
2. Cut an inverted "Y" in the WRB folding and securing it to the inside at the jambs and sill.
3. At the header, section cut the WRB at a 45 degree angle from the corners of the rough opening and temporarily secure exposing the substrate.
4. Cut a section of Aluma Flash™ to the width of the rough opening greater than 9-inches. Centering the tape across the sill, remove the release liner and install Aluma Flash™ on the sill.
5. Cut the Aluma Flash™ at the corners of the rough opening so the flashing may be folded onto the WRB surface.
6. Cut flashing patches of Aluma Flash™ and install at each of the sill corners.
7. Set window into the rough opening, plumb, level, and square per manufacturer's instructions.

## STEP 2 - Jamb Flashing



1. Measure and cut 2 sections of Aluma Flash™ that will overlap the sill tape at the bottom and extend 3-inches above the rough opening at the header, extending onto the exposed substrate
2. Install vertical sections of Aluma Flash™ over the jamb flanges and to the substrate or WRB.
3. Roll with hand roller.
4. DO NOT INSTALL Aluma Flash™ tape over the bottom window flange. Leaving this area open will allow water to drain to the exterior WRB surface in the event of a window leak.

## STEP 3 - Head Flashing



1. Measure and cut 1 piece of Aluma Flash™ that will overlap and extend 2-inches beyond the jamb flashings onto the exposed substrate.
2. Fold the WRB back in place over the Aluma Flash™ head flashing and secure with staples or tape.
3. Secure with another strip of Aluma Flash™ long enough to cover the 45-degree cuts in the WRB.

## STEP 3A - Head Flashing

1. Arc Flash™ is a 70 mil self-adhering, self-sealing tape made with rubberized-asphalt waterproofing coating, laminated to a crimped and stretchable high strength film backing.

2. For a product information sheet on Arc Flash™, scan the QR code with your smartphone or tablet.



## STEP 4 - Final Step

1. Roll entire surface of Aluma Flash™ with a hand roller to finalize and complete the bond.
2. Complete Installation Instructions may be downloaded from [www.Poly-Wall.com](http://www.Poly-Wall.com).