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General Part

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Trade name of the construction product:	FibaFuse® Double Strong - glass fibre joint tape for gypsum plasterboards
Product family to which the construction product belongs:	Product area code: 7 Gypsum products
Manufacturer:	SAINT-GOBAIN ADFORS CZ s.r.o. 106 Sokolovská 570 01 Litomyšl Czech Republic
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Specific part

1. Technical description of the product

1.1 General

The product **FibaFuse® Double Strong** (glass fibre joint tape for gypsum plasterboards) is made of glass fibres which are dispersed and conglomerated by a binder. The product is designed to give an appropriate reinforcement for various gypsum jointing materials used for gypsum plasterboards as they are defined in EN 520 and modified products, made of gypsum plasterboards and gypsum boards reinforced by fibres.

The product is delivered as ready to use tape rolls in width of **50 mm**.

The type of the product according EAD 070002-00-0505:

non-adhesive tape – a tape made as thin felt of glass fibres, and not equipped with an adhesive layer. At first, the joints are filled by jointing material and consequently the tape is laid and levelled by jointing material.

According to the manufacturer technical specification, the type of the glass fibres is **E-glass**.

Concerning product packaging, transport, storage, maintenance, replacement and repair it is the responsibility of the manufacturer to undertake the appropriate measures and to advise his clients on the transport, storage, maintenance, replacement and repair of the product as he considers necessary.

It is assumed that the product will be installed according to the manufacturer's instructions or (in absence of such instructions) according to the usual practice of the building professionals.

2. Specification of the intended use(s) in accordance with the applicable European Assessment Document (hereinafter EAD)

The product is intended to use as a complementary product for jointing of gypsum plasterboards as they are defined in EN 520 and modified products, made of gypsum plasterboards and gypsum boards reinforced by fibres. It does not contribute directly to the stability of the boards on which it is installed. Mechanical stability of gypsum plasterboards is provided by installation on support framework, which is not the subject of this ETA.

The product is used with jointing materials according to EN 13963, types 1A, 1B, 3A, 3B. It shall be assured that cooperation of the tape and jointing material leads to reduction of cracks.

This product is intended to use in interiors and at temperatures above 0 °C.

3. Performance of the product and references to the methods used for its assessment

The characteristics of product and methods of verification of **FibaFuse® Double Strong** (glass fibre joint tape for gypsum plasterboards) were carried out in compliance with the EAD 070002-00-0505 "Glass fibre joint tape for gypsum plasterboards".

Table No. 1: Essential characteristics of the product and methods and criteria for assessing the performance of the product - **non-adhesive tape**

No	Essential characteristic and method of verification and assessment	Expression of product performance
Basic Works Requirement 2: Safety in case of fire		
1	Reaction to fire (EAD 070002-00-0505, Cl. 2.2.1; Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2016/364)	no performance assessed
Basic Works Requirement 4: Safety and accessibility in use		
2	Tensile strength (EAD 070002-00-0505, Cl. 2.2.2), standard conditions (23 ± 1)°C, (50 ± 2)% RH	characteristic value of tensile strength (bottom level of 95 % quartile on confidence level 75 %): $\sigma_k = 9.5 \text{ N/mm}$ (length 10 mm between the clamps of the testing machine)
3	Resistance to dampness (EAD 070002-00-0505, Cl. 2.2.3)	characteristic value of tensile strength after conditioning (bottom level of 95 % quartile on confidence level 75 %): $\sigma_k = 8.6 \text{ N/mm}$ (length 10 mm between the clamps of the testing machine) decrease of the characteristic tensile strength after storage in distilled water: 10 % (length 10 mm between the clamps of the testing machine)

4. Assessment and verification of constancy of performance (hereinafter AVCP) system applied, with reference to its legal base

According to the European Commission decision 1995/467/EC as amended by Decision 2001/596/EC, 2002/595/EC and 2010/679/EU, the **AVCP system 3** (further described in Annex V to Regulation (EU) No 305/2011 as amended) applies.

5. Technical details necessary for the implementation of the AVCP system, as provided for in the applicable EAD

The manufacturer shall perform a permanent internal factory production control based on the control plan. The Control Plan specifies the type and frequency of tests conducted on the final product. The cornerstones of the control plan for the manufacturer is specified in Cl. 3.2 of EAD 070002-00-0505 Glass fibre joint tape for gypsum plasterboards (November 2016). Manufacturer and Technical and Test Institute for Construction Prague have agreed a control plan which is deposited with the Technical and Test Institute for Construction Prague in documentation which accompanies the ETA.

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