

Tensar TriAx[®] Stabilisation Geocomposite **Model Specification – TX190L-G**

This model specification is intended for use where the specifier wishes to specify a Tensar TriAx stabilisation geocomposite by name or may require the option to specify without use of proprietary product names or trademarks.

- 1. The stabilisation geocomposite shall be Tensar TriAx TX190L-G [OPTIONAL CLAUSE]
- **2.** The stabilisation geocomposite shall consist of a geogrid thermally bonded to a geotextile at the geogrid nodes.
- **3.** The stabilisation geocomposite shall have European Technical Assessment (ETA) Certification for the intended use of <u>stabilisation of unbound layers by way of interlock with the aggregate</u>, issued in accordance with European Organisation for Technical Assessment (EOTA[®]) European Assessment Document (EAD) 080002-00-0102.
- **4.** The stabilisation geocomposite shall be manufactured in accordance with a management system which complies with the requirement of BS EN ISO 9001:2008. If required by the Engineer, the Contractor shall provide evidence of the manufacturer's certification of its Quality Assurance System.
- 5. The geogrid component class shall be 'punched and stretched' and manufactured from polypropylene.
- **6.** The geogrid component shall have a hexagonal structure with ribs oriented in three directions. The resulting triangular-shaped apertures are defined by ribs of rectangular cross section having a high degree of molecular orientation which is continuous through the node.
- 7. The Mean Radial Secant Stiffness of the geogrid component measured at 0.5% strain shall be 540kN/m (within a tolerance of -90kN/m), measured in accordance with EOTA® Technical report TR41 B.1. (1)
- **8.** The Radial Secant Stiffness Ratio of the geogrid component shall be 0.75 (within a tolerance of -0.15), measured in accordance with EOTA® Technical report TR41 B.1. (1)
- **9.** The Junction Efficiency of the geogrid component shall be 100% (within a tolerance of -10%) measured in accordance with EOTA® Technical report TR41 B.2. ⁽¹⁾
- **10.** The Hexagon Pitch of the geogrid component shall be 120mm (within a tolerance of ±6mm). Where hexagon pitch is the distance between alternate parallel ribs, measured in accordance with EOTA® Technical report TR41 B.4. ⁽¹⁾
- **11.** The geotextile component shall have Static Puncture Resistance of 1.30kN (within a tolerance of -0.50kN), measured in accordance with EN ISO 12236 (CBR Test).
- **12.** The geotextile component shall have Dynamic Perforation Resistance 35mm (within a tolerance of +10mm), measured in accordance with EN ISO 13433.
- **13.** The geotextile component shall have a Characteristic Opening Size of $140\mu m$ (within a tolerance of $\pm 60\mu m$), measured in accordance with EN ISO 12956.
- **14.** The geotextile component shall have a Water Permeability normal to the plane (velocity index, VIH50) of 0.110ms⁻¹ (within a tolerance of -0.05ms⁻¹), measured in accordance with EN ISO 11058.
- **15.** The geogrid component shall have a minimum of 2% finely divided carbon black, well dispersed in the polymer matrix to inhibit attack by ultra violet light, determined in accordance with ASTM D1603-06.



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For product identification purposes the following characteristics shall be used.

- a. The Mean Radial Secant Stiffness measured at 2% strain shall be 400kN/m (within a tolerance of 100kN/m), measured in accordance with EOTA® Technical report TR41 B.1. (1)
- b. The Hexagon Pitch of the geogrid shall be 120mm (within a tolerance of ± 6 mm). Where hexagon pitch is the distance between alternate parallel ribs, measured in accordance with EOTA® Technical report TR41 B.4. $^{(1)}$
- c. Weight of the product shall be 0.400kg/m² (within a tolerance of -0.035kg/m²) Measured in accordance with EOTA® Technical Report TR41 B.3. (1)

Notes

The values declared are expressed as a nominal value and a tolerance in such a manner that the nominal value + or - the tolerance represents 99.7% of the population, i.e. a 99.7% 'tolerance interval'

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