Bead-Fusion Rigid EPS Insulation Sheets

CR Foam offers rigid insulation products that are effective for under-the-slab, below grade applications, roofing, siding, and structural perimeter insulation. Bead-Fusion can offer the same compressive strengths and durability as the blue, pink or yellow extruded board used under grade but at about 50% less cost.

Bead-Fusion 25 & Bead-Fusion 10

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<td>Compressive Resistance Strength</td>
<td>25 PSI (high density)</td>
<td>10 PSI (low density)</td>
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<td>R-Value</td>
<td>4.36 R/inch</td>
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<td>Dimensions</td>
<td>4’ x 8’ and 4’ x 10’ sheets</td>
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R-More 25 & R-More 10 Laminates

In addition to Bead-Fusion sheathing we also offer 4’ x 8’ or 4’ x 10’ R-More 25 & R-More 10 laminated boards. The boards can be ordered in incremental thicknesses of 1/2”.

R-More 25 & R-More 10 give you the same outstanding performance properties as Bead-Fusion sheathing but comes with a durable metal, woven or clear polypropylene laminated facer.
Don’t let the XPS industry confuse you with lab control moisture absorption tests. When exposed long-term to ground water, all rigid insulation will eventually take on water. The higher the moisture content within the board results in a loss of R-value. What is important to understand is that XPS’s water absorption data are from tests performed on the XPS exposed to moisture over a 24 hour period. However, this is not a real life simulation for permanent below grade applications.

When XPS and EPS buried side-by-side for a period of 15 years were dug up and evaluated scientists found that EPS actually absorbed less water than XPS.

In fact, XPS took on 18.9% moisture while EPS absorbed 4.8% in the same period of time! Under these conditions the same study showed that the EPS retained 94% of it’s original R-value while the XPS retained a little more than half or 52%. The same lab studies proved that EPS dried out faster than XPS and regained its full R-value quicker.

Note: All tests were conducted by an independent, accredited, third party laboratory.
R-More 450 Fan-Fold and R-More 472 Rolled Laminates

R-More 450 Fan-Fold & R-More 472 Rolls do have an insulation value however it is designed as underlayment insulation to help reduce or prevent energy loss through thermal conduction or seams and cracks in a wall or structure. When installed correctly, also helps to manage surface condensation on metal walls and ceilings.

The US Department of Energy at the Oak Ridge National Laboratories has led the building industry in defining “the whole wall R-value”, an increasingly popular metric that tests the thermal resistance of an entire wall.

For example a 2” x 6” wall with R-19 fiberglass insulation turns out to be R-13.7 when the thermal bridging of studs and fasteners every 24 inches is considered. Used as an outside underlayment R-More 450 Fan-Fold & R-More 472 Rolls will help prevent R-value loss and give you an additional 1.9 R in doing so.

### R-More 450 Fan-Fold & R-More 472 Rolls

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<td>R-Value</td>
<td>R-1.9 when installed correctly.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Size</td>
<td>25 panels, 2’ x 4’</td>
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<td>1/4” &amp; 1/2” available</td>
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<td>Laminate Facer</td>
<td>Durable metal, woven or clear polypropylene</td>
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<td>Installation</td>
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**Highly Effective in These Applications**

- Roof Underlayment
- Basement Walls
- Crawl Spaces-Interior Walls
- Waterproofing Protection Board
- Radiant-Heating Floors
- Siding Underlayment
- Stucco Underlayment
- Concrete Slabs
- Wall Sheathing
- Below Grade Insulation
- Ideal for Recovering Application

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Bead-Fusion EPS Insulation Performance Properties

Bead-Fusion EPS Insulation compression, thermal, density and flexural properties were tested by Element Materials Technology, a third party material testing laboratory located in St Paul, MN. Tests were conducted under the guidance of 5-ASTM test methods including ASTM C518, Standard Specifications for Rigid, Cellular Polystyrene Thermal Insulation.

Thermal Resistance “R” Values ASTM C518:
Under-the-lab (below grade) applications require expanded polystyrene insulation (EPS) to be thick enough to provide an effective thermal resistance or “R Value” so that heat loss or cold creep does not occur through footings, floors or walls. R value is the capacity of an insulation material to resist heat flow. The higher the R-value the greater the insulating power.

Our 1 pound Bead-Fusion 10 board R Value tested at 3.68 per square inch.
Our 2 pound Bead-Fusion 25 board R Value tested at 4.36 per square inch.
Our typical 2 inch 2 pound board's R Value averages around 8.75 R's.

Compressions Values ASTM C 165:
Under-the-slab applications must have excellent compression properties so the EPS can safely withstand the distributed energy load of the concrete slab, footings and structure. The most important mechanical property of EPS insulation for below grade or under-slab is its ability to resist compressive stresses. Bead-Fusion exceeds these requirements.EPS can be designed in compressive strengths of between 10-60 psi. Within that range EPS can be made to meet most strength requirements.

Bead-Fusion test show a higher then typical compressive strength.
1 pound Bead-Fusion 10 board compression tested at 11.00 psi at 10% strain. (Typical 10 psi)
2 pound Bead-Fusion 25 board compression tested at 29.7 psi at 10% strain. (Typical 25 psi)

Density Values ASTM C 303:
Board density in under-the-slab applications is the most important mechanical property of EPS. Although density and material compression are closely related the two values can sometimes be misunderstood. The confusion comes when applicators do not adequately account for how a concrete slab or footing distributes load or energy into a concrete slab.

In fact, the concrete slab distributes energy (weight) so evenly over the slab that as much as 90% of the load is distributed into the concrete. This leaves a very small percentage of the load transferring to the EPS below. Understanding this can help prevent over-engineering a project and saving the end-user money.

Our 1 pound Bead-Fusion 10 board Density tested at .90 pcf (Typical .90)
Our 2 pound Bead-Fusion 25 board Density tested at 1.80 pcf (Typical 1.80)

Flexural Values ASTM C 203:
Flex or bend strength is the property that gives the board the strength it needs when it is transported, walked on or applied. High flex strength is important in built-up roof and concrete slab preparation when the load of equipment and foot traffic can be high.

Bead-Fusion EPS Insulation has outstanding flexural properties.

Our 1 pound Bead-Fusion 10 board tested at 29.6 psi. (Typical 25 psi)
Our 2 pound Bead-Fusion 25 board tested at 61.4 psi. (Typical 50 psi).

Moisture Absorption ASTM D-2842:
For years expanded polystyrene has been used in ice chests, coolers and swimming pool buoys where exposure to water is direct and for long terms. EPS is a closed-cell structure and this reduces the absorption and/or migration of moisture. The small amount of water absorbed (an average of 0.2% by weight) has little or no effect on the compressive or flexural strength. The EPS insulation retains between 95% and 97% of its thermal R efficiency, as well.

Environmentally Safe:
Bead-Fusion EPS Insulation is 100% recyclable and does not contain or emit any CFCs or HCFCs into the atmosphere during or after the manufacturing process.

Note: Expanded polystyrene should be considered combustible and should not be exposed to sources of ignition. Do not allow highly solvent mastic, coal-tar based products or vapors to come in contact with any EPS.