

#### **OPERATIONS & MAINTENANCE MANUAL**

M-Tray®

Sedum / sedum & wildflower Modular Green Roof System

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#### PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

M-Tray® is an instant living roof in a box. All the elements of a traditional roll-out system are contained within its 500mm x 500mm x 100mm cassettes. These easy-to-carry trays which click together to form a seamless green roof, creating an established green roof in a fraction of the time of traditional roll-out.

The fully established sedum or sedum & wildflower modules are grown from seed in UK nurseries and packed onto pallets for delivery to site.

M-Tray® can be lifted at any time in the future, should the roof deck need inspection or repair, for example.

M-Tray® has a fire classification of B ROOF(t4) EX AP and complies the new Green Roof Organisation Code 2021 and BS 8616:2019.

#### **MATERIALS**

300gsm Recycled Polyester Geotextile
M-Tray® SEDUM / Wildflower Green Roof Module 500x500x100mm
Optional aluminium edging bar
Optional rounded washed Riverstones
Optional irrigation system

For Full Product Description M-Tray® please see Product Brochure within Appendix A

#### PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Please see M-Tray® Bill of Materials in Appendix A.

#### **MEASUREMENTS**

Please see M-Tray® CAD Drawings in Appendix A.

#### PRODUCT LITERATURE

Product Brochure included in Appendix A

#### PRODUCT INSTALLATION

#### **Deliveries**

Delivery of materials will made by curtain sided haulage vehicle with tail lift for kerb side delivery. Requirement of FORS or other special delivery terms should be requested at time of order.

It is the responsibility of the Client / installers to move pallets from kerb side to roof and ensure that adequate Health & Safety procedures are followed when moving and installing M-Tray® modules.

#### Installation

Please see Wallbarn Installation Guide in Appendix A and <a href="https://www.wallbarn.com/how-to/green-roofs/">https://www.wallbarn.com/how-to/green-roofs/</a>. Installation should be carried out in accordance with GRO guidelines.

Installers must unload modules by hand from pallets as soon as possible to avoid damage to plants.

The modules will weigh no more than 25kg each and can be moved by hand. Do not tip or invert modules. They should be carried "green" side up.

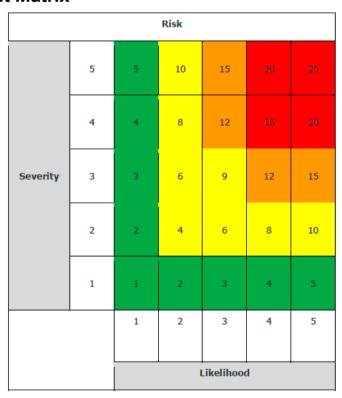
It is essential that the M-Tray® modules are given access to air and watered as soon as possible. Water well after installation and as often as possible for up to eight weeks afterwards, particularly in hot or dry weather.

#### **Risk Assessment for Installation**

A Qualitative Risk Assessment is a formal and systematic risk analysis approach in deciding whether a risk is low, medium or high. This form of risk rating is used to determine which hazard should take priority over another in terms of deciding what to do and when.

Risk Before Controls						Controls	After Control Measures		
Hazard	Consequences	Persons Affected	Severity	Likelihoo d	Total Risk	Additional Measures	Severity	Likelihoo d	Total Risk
Manual Handling	Limb Injury Musculoskeletal Disorders	operative	4	4	16	Operatives have received manuar nandling training in accordance with current regulation.	3	1	3
Falling Materials	Impact Death	Operator, other trades, General Public	5	2	10	Signage (Overhead working), barriers to close pavement at either end of bus shelter. Bus stop to be suspended during works	1:	2	2
Falls from Height	Death	operator	5	2	10	Man Safe fall arrest system to be used when on Bus Shelter roof, Tool box talks, daily inspections, crew awareness	4	1	4
Unioading Vehicles	Collision, impact and falls	Operator, other trades, General Public	4	4	16	Crew Briefing, allocated unloading area, no access to vehicle bed, supervised unloading, barriers for protection of other working colleagues and general public	4	1	4
Cutting	Loss of Limbs	operator	4	2	8	Safe areas for cutting, correct equipment and suitable PPE	4	1	4

#### **Risk Assessment Matrix**



No hazardous materials are used within the process of completing this project.

#### HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Hazard: Site set up

Risk rating (no control measures): Medium

Risk rating (residual risk): Low

Persons affected Operatives/Site Workers -- Public

#### **Existing control measures**

The work site should be surveyed prior to the works commencing for health, safety or environmental hazards on site.

Extent of works should be discussed with existing site occupants / client. Clear boundaries lines should be agreed prior to any works commencing.

Lifting equipment and access to roof space should be arranged before arrival of materials. Site emergency arrangements should be implemented prior to the start of activities. Appropriate welfare provisions should be provided on site.

#### Hazard: Dust and fumes

Risk rating (no control measures): Medium Risk rating (residual risk): Low

Persons affected Operatives/Site Workers

#### **Existing control measures**

Suitable PPE / to be issued to all site operatives.

#### Hazard: Materials delivery

Risk rating (no control measures): Medium

Risk rating (residual risk): Low

Persons affected Operatives/Site Workers -- Public

#### **Existing control measures**

Planning and control of deliveries - timing, quantities, size and weight will be established and communicated.

Adequate, suitable and sufficient personal protective equipment should be provided and the wearing of it enforced.

All waste and refuse should be collected at specified collection points or skips.

#### Hazard: Manual handling

Risk rating (no control measures): High

Risk rating (residual risk): Low

Persons affected Operatives/Site Workers

#### **Existing control measures**

When necessary and reasonably practicable, loads to be manually handled can be made smaller or lighter.

Appropriate, suitable and sufficient personal protective equipment will be issued to operatives as and where it has been identified as necessary.

All items in excess of 25kg should be lifted and carried via team lifting where it is not feasible to use mechanical means.

#### Hazard: General housekeeping

Risk rating (no control measures): Medium Risk rating (residual risk): Low

Persons affected Operatives/Site Workers -- Public

All waste materials should be cleared from work areas up and bagged.

#### **MAINTENANCE DETAILS**

Please refer to Wallbarn Maintenance Guide in Appendix A and https://www.wallbarn.com/how-to/green-roofs/.

#### **FIRST-AID MEASURES**

In event of cuts and damage from dropped products, wash out wound with plenty of clean water. Seek medical attention as soon as possible.

In event of bruising or impact damage from dropped products, Seek medical attention as soon as possible.

#### FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES

M-Tray® is classified as B ROOF (t4). Therefore, it does not constitute a fire hazard. If a fire breaks out on or near the roof space call the Police and the Fire Brigade immediately. Evacuate the building immediately.

#### **ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES**

Every part of M-Tray® can be recycled. Please contact Wallbarn for advice. As supplied, the products are not classified as hazardous.

#### HANDLING AND STORAGE

When handling product, due regard should be paid to the risks outlined in the Manual Handling Operations Regulations 1992, particularly the weight of each module. Appropriate PPE should be used. The modules should be unpacked from the pallets and the sedum / sedum & wildflower be given access to light and adequate water. The modules should be stored in a safe and stable manner.

#### PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT

Suitable protective equipment and clothing are required that are appropriate to the potential hazards encountered to reduce the chances of physical injury while using this product.

#### E.G.

Safety footwear (BS EN345)

Hard Hats with chin straps (BS EN397)

Task suitable gloves (BS EN388)

Eye protection and ear protection where required



Local Exhaust Ventilation, Goggles and a dust mask to the relevant European standard (EN149) may be required if the modules are handled in a way that liberates dust.

#### **ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

Made from >90% recycled materials.

Subsequent to manufacture, this is a stable product with no known adverse environmental effects.

#### **DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

Recycling of all materials is preferable to disposal.

Every element and ingredient of M-Tray® can be recycled. Please contact Wallbarn before any disposal activities are undertaken. If the product is to be disposed of, disposal should be made at an approved solid waste disposal site. Disposal of the product should be in accordance with any local or national regulations.

Care should be taken not to allow any pollutants to contaminate the local environment.

Any Hazardous waste should be separated and disposed of in accordance with the Hazardous Waste Regulations.



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#### **APPENDIX A:**

The following table summarizes the documents referenced in this document.

Document Name	Location
GREEN ROOF BROCHURE	https://www.wallbarn.com/green-roofs/m-tray/
Wallbarn Ltd Terms & Conditions	https://www.wallbarn.com/terms-conditions-of-supply/
Installation Guide	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eMrqchRtr7E
metalliation Galac	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AcD0sX-FjV4
Maintenance Guide	Attached
Irrigation System installation guide	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7D0fOdgFuxo
CAD Drawings	Attached
Substrate Specification	Attached
Polypropylene Tray Specification	Attached





## BENEFITS OF GREEN ROOFS



#### IMPROVING THE ENVIRONMENT

- · Aesthetically pleasing
- · Provides valuable habitat
- · Attracts insects, invertebrates and birdlife
- · Absorbs CO2, pollution and dust particles
- · Helps combat the Urban Heat Island Effect
- · Part of SUDs performance

### PROTECTING THE WATERPROOFING MEMBRANE

- Extends roof membrane's life by protecting it from pests
- Protects roof membrane from UV and heat degradation
- Provides an attractive alternative to pebbles or concrete slabs for holding down insulation boards or loose laid waterproof systems

#### **RAINWATER ATTENUATION**

- · Absorbs rainwater into the substrate
- Reduced run-off by up to 50%
- Delays discharge into outlets by up to an hour

#### **ENHANCING INSULATION**

- Sound: reduces transmission of noise and vibration
- Thermal: absorbs solar heat and provides cooling

## OPTIMISING THE DEVELOPMENT FOOTPRINT

- Softens the building envelope
- Provides additional green space and helps BREEAM ratings
- Brings a feeling of open space to high density environments which can help with planning permission
- Improves financial yield of building



## M-TRAY®

#### MODULAR GREEN ROOF





Wallbarn has developed a modular system which makes installing a green roof incredibly easy with far less disruption to both plants, structure and inhabitants than other methods. The modules simply click together to create a seamless, instant green roof.



All the elements required for a successful green roof have been designed into the M-Tray® modules at our UK nursery to ensure strong, healthy long- lasting vegetation. The trays are grown on site for at least 6 months and all will have been through at least one Spring growing season; so the plants are well established, healthy and strong, and fully integrated into the substrate (unlike sedum blankets, which are not).





#### **CONVENIENCE**

Mess and disruption can be a problem with roll- out systems. Bags of aggregate-based substrate can spill easily and being so granular, can damage waterproofing membranes. Sedum blankets are also supplied rolled up so the plants get damaged during the transport and installation process. Our M-Tray® modules overcome all of these issues.

#### **ACCESSIBILITY**

As each module is 500 x 500mm, one M-Tray® can be carried by one operative. For areas which are very difficult to access such as single storey extensions, domestic projects and other completed structures where roll-out is simply not possible. M-Tray® can be handballed into even the most awkward areas, even carried through a window if necessary. They are the perfect retro-fit product.

#### **SPEED**

It is estimated that our M-Tray® can be installed at least twice as quickly as roll-out systems. A team of contractors can easily install approx. 400 square metres in a day.

#### **INSTANT RESULTS**

It is also an instant green roof. Since the plants are less shocked by the installation process, as soon as the trays are connected together the whole area is filled with well established plants. They will continue to mature straight away, forming a seamless layer of vegetation much faster.

#### **FUTURE-PROOF YOUR GREEN ROOF**

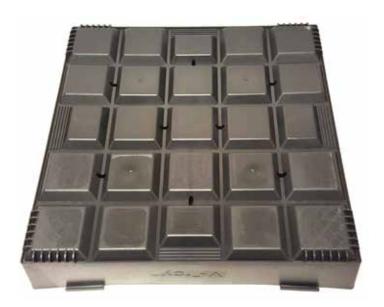
Access to the roof is future proofed. If there are problems with the deck beneath or inspection is required, one M-Tray® or section can easily be lifted out without disruption to the whole roof.

## 'M-TRAY® - THE PERFECT INGREDIENTS

Wallbarn has designed, developed and produced the M-Tray® module from scratch, creating a product that combines optimum nutrient level and drainage whilst taking into account the practical constraints of construction.

The M-Tray® module is manufactured in England.





#### **MODULE**

The current module design is the fourth generation of our green roof system and has the following benefits:

- Each module measures 500 x 500 x 100mm
  - 4 x units make up exactly 1 sqm making estimating far easier
  - 100mm buildup gives sedum more room to develop healthy root growth
- Carefully positioned drainage holes
  - Allow sedum plants to absorb more rainfall, increasing attenuation and delaying discharge into outlets
  - Stronger plant growth at the edges creates a more seamless layer of vegetation when the modules are connected
- · Smooth edges
  - The underside has a smooth surface to prevent abrasion with the sub-deck
  - Inset ridges at the discharge points maintain free drainage without clogging
  - The corners of the modules are rounded and smooth, so no sharp edges are present
  - Hand grips on the underside are positioned to enable installers to carry each module easily
- · Tight connection
  - The connecting brackets ensure minimum gap between each module







#### **SUBSTRATE**

An engineered growing medium is specially mixed by Wallbarn. It is designed to provide a lightweight, free draining mass for green roof plants to root into and grow healthily in the long-term.

Green roof substrates should contain the following criteria:

- · Lightweight and free draining;
- Varied particle sizes with resistance to compaction
- Low organic content with balance of nutrients for sustainable & healthy plants long term
- Avoidance of weeds, impurities and contaminants and chemically stable;
- No peat in the mix;
- Adherence to green roof codes, standards and regulations



Wallbarn designed and developed its own substrate mix using leading independent soil specialists to create a bespoke recipe which complies to Building Regulations Approved Document B, BS 8616:2019 and the GRO Code.

We use a number of ingredients, including:

- Lightweight, non-organic, mineral aggregate to provide bulk, good drainage and improved rooting conditions.
  - Lytag is a by-product of the power station industry, so waste material is recycled and put "back into the ground".
  - Leca is lightweight, expanded clay balls. They soak up water and are inert; ideal for gardening and green roofing.
- Coir is recycled coconut husk fibre, used to complement the compost. It is resistant to slumping and holds moisture and has high lignin.
- Recycled organic compost sourced from the local camomile and lavender farms which provides slow release of nutrients and water absorption.

We do not use crushed brick or building rubble. Bricks and rubble often contain contaminants and also crush down into fines which can clog the drainage. They can also form a crust layer within the substrate which creates an impermeable layer, killing the sedum.

Wallbarn does not and has never used peat in our substrate.



#### **SEDUM & WILDFLOWER**

All our M-Tray® sedum and wildflower green roof modules are grown from seed. We source only the finest quality seeds from leading horticultural specialists to ensure comprehensive coverage and long-term viability.

We have selected a large selection of different North European sedum species and native British wildflowers suitable for the British climate to bring biodiversity to the roof space.

More details are given on planting schemes overleaf. Please ask us for a current species list.

#### 'M-TRAY® -PLANT VARIETIES

Our M-Tray® green roof modules are supplied from stock in two standard types: sedum and sedum / wildflower.



Sedum is a stone crop; a low growing, hardy succulent plant found in mountainous regions and areas with poor soils. This means it can cope with inhospitable conditions such as low nutrient levels, high exposure to wind and drought conditions; making it the ideal plant for green roofing.

The sedum genre is incredibly diverse with many different species and a whole host of different heights, leaf structure and growth patterns. Sedums flower, in fact bringing a huge variety of colour throughout the summer and attracting pollinators.

Wallbarn has chosen a selection of 12 species of North European sedum species which we grow from seed. These species were selection to provide a year round comprehensive green cover of thick leaves in different leaf shapes, colour shades and sizes across the roof space. They are perennial and easy to maintain, all being particularly adept at coping with lack of water.

Wallbarn sedum green roofs flower prolifically, with masses of different yellow, pink and white flowers appearing throughout spring, summer and even in autumn; attracting bees, butterflies and other wildlife to the roof space.

Sedums are completely hardy and will tolerate the most inhospitable conditions. Although they appear red in times of drought and very hot weather, they are not dying but "sleeping", retaining moisture within their stems and leaves ready to regrow once they get access to water.







Remember, however, that no plant is very drought proof. The more care and attention and crucially the more water the plants receive; the better they will look. If you want green and flowers, water your green roof periodically.

Wallbarn has selected a variety of wildflowers to compliment a limited sedum mix. The sedum plants provide a base cover of year round greening. The wildflowers will grow among and between these plants to give a burst of colour from native British flowers.

The wildflower species are chosen to provide low growing flowers and herbs with where possible succulent leaves and stalks which will rot down after flowering to reduce fire hazard.

They include different varieties of thyme, vetches, campions and thrifts which are native to UK and in some cases becoming rare in the wild. Therefore, we try to reintroduce traditional planting at roof level to sustain local nature.



These are perennial wildflowers which will spread across the roof rather than grow very tall. They have also been selected to cope well with life at height. They are ideally suited to low nutrient and low moisture soils so can cope better in the free draining substrate required for green roofs.

This is not a spring field of meadow plants. Do not think masses of poppies and moon daisies at hip height. Such "ground" wildflowers are not suitable for sustainable green roof construction and can often be dangerous.







Because there is such a large range of wildflowers within the mix they will flower throughout the summer months, attracting a whole host of wildlife to the roof. They will produce seeds which should be collected and sown back into the substrate for long-term performance.

#### **PRODUCTION**

The essential elements to growing a top quality and truly sustainable green roof include:



#### **SUBSTRATE MIXING**

Our bespoke substrate is produced by putting the ingredients into an agricultural feed mixer with water to create the optimum consistency; before being loaded into a large compost spreader.

#### **TRAY-LAYING**

Wallbarn has automated the tray laying process. We have created our own bespoke tray laying machine which is towed behind a tractor. The pallets are stacked onto the laying machine and the trays are then placed onto the upper platform in lines of three units and connected. The trays slide down the ramp slowly still connected to form a single, three abreast line of trays in a dead straight line.



#### **FILLING**

The compost spreader is towed by a farm tractor and shoots the substrate into the trays via a conveyor belt at the side. The moving floor ensures that the mixed substrate flows onto the conveyor belt consistently without clogging and the trays are filled evenly.

We overfill the green roof trays to allow for settlement. A second pass is then carried out. Another farm tractor, which can straddle the line of the trays easily, pulls a levelling box which gently presses the substrate into the trays and creates a level, even surface.



#### **HYDROSEEDING**

The sedum seeds are incredibly small and ensuring even distribution is not easy. We have developed a hydroseeding system where the seeds are mixed into water and released either with a boom (pictured) or an with an agricultural spinning disc dispenser. This distributes the seed evenly and helps the seeds sink into the substrate slightly to start germination process.



#### WEEDING NURTURING

We have a full-time maintenance staff at our nursery and they monitor the development and quality of the sedum and wildflower crops whilst they grow. We check the automatic irrigation systems, weed regularly and "gap up" the beds by adding sedum plugs where appropriate.

#### **TIME**

Letting Mother Nature work her magic. The plants need to be left to grow and mature in as natural a way as possible. We do not "hot house" them to speed up production. Therefore, they produce strong roots and are hardened to the elements. We can help them along with care and attention, but such things cannot be rushed if we are to produce truly sustainable green roofs.

#### **HARVESTING M-TRAY® FOR TRANSPORT**

We have automated our harvesting process and built our own harvesting machine.

The self-propelled machine passes up the bed of trays and the specially designed wedges and spokes lift the trays off the ground and separates them, drawing them up the conveyor belt ramp to the processing platform. The operatives check the M-Tray® for quality and stack them onto pallets in the field.

The pallets are collected by tractor and brought into the yard where they are strapped and labelled. A forklift then moves them onto the delivery vehicle.

Our M-Tray® is harvested and loaded the day before delivery to site. Our sedum green roof systems, therefore, are not stacked for longer than 24 hours

















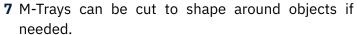
## STEP BY STEP INSTALLATION

Wallbarn M-Trays® have all the necessary elements contained within them

- 1 M-Tray® modules are transported to site on strapped pallets for easy, clean delivery. They can then be craned safely onto the roof if necessary. Because the modules are securely fitted onto the pallets, the green roof can be moved with minimum delay or disruption. It is essential that pallets are unstacked immediately upon delivery. If sedum is packed tightly for more than 24 hours, particularly in heat, it will deteriorate and 'cook'.
- 2 Unpacking the pallets is a simple process. None of the contents will spill out and each module can easily be carried by one person. The substrate and plants are undisturbed, greatly reducing the shock and enabling the sedum to establish itself across the green roof quickly.
- **3** Even very difficult to access roof spaces can be fitted with green roofs using the modular system. Restricted areas and occupied buildings have been successfully retro-fitted with M-Tray®.
- **4** A separation and filtration geotextile layer, supplied by Wallbarn, should be firstly installed. This protects the waterproofing and prevents abrasive damage.
- **5** Place each module down and then click together using the integrated connection clips and points.
- **6** If irrigation is being installed this should be connected at the base of the trays and installed during installation of the trays, not after







- 8 The edges should be filled with a border of washed riverstones, in accordance with the GRO code of practice. Objects such as roof lights and cables should be surrounded with riverstones to prevent root invasion and act as a fire break
- **9** An aluminium edge trim can be added to any exposed edges or where the stones need to be separated from objects such as drainage outlets. The modular sections mean detailing around objects is a simple process and clean lines are created.
- **10** We recommend that hard landscaping sections such as paving and decking, mounted onto Wallbarn pedestals, are installed to allow for regular access. As everything is suspended on top of the deck, drainage is uninterrupted.

A full Installation Guide and instruction videos are available – visit www.wallbarn.com or view our YouTube channel.











#### FIRE TESTING

The Building Regulations 2010 (as amended) Approved Document B are the main rules for fire safety on largescale, commercial and high rise green roofs.

They reference the 'Fire Performance of Green Roofs and Walls' and state "The main objective in relation to all elements of construction, including roofs, is that they should not significantly contribute to the growth and spread of fire, either internally or externally....."

To meet these fire regulations stakeholders need to demonstrate that the whole 'as installed' roof system has a valid fire certificate. The whole roof system needs to achieve a European classification rating of B ROOF t(4).



Physical samples of M-Tray® by Wallbarn were tested by an independent fire authority according to CEN/TS 1187:2012 *Test 4 Test Methods For External Fire Exposure To Roofs.* 

They were burned for 60 minutes and reported zero penetration of fire in all tests across all samples.

This test was carried out within classifications under BS EN 13501-5:2016 *Fire classification of Construction Products and Building Elements.* 

M-Tray® has a classification of B ROOF t(4) EXAP carried out in conformity with CEN/TS 16459:2019.

EXAP is an extended application, meaning can be used as part of a green roof system with a variety of membrane/insulation build-ups so long as all products also have B Roof t(4) EXAP.

Specifiers and contractors need to be sure their green roofs comply to the new regulations.

This is construction law in England. Similar laws apply for Wales, Northern Ireland and in Scotland but there are differences and should be read carefully.

#### SUBSTRATE COMPLIANCE & PERFORMANCE

#### **FIRE**

BS 8616: 2019 Specification for performance parameters and test methods for green roof substrates is the British Standard specifying requirements for all green roof substrates.

This British Standard provides methodologies for testing green roof substrates and lays out the requirements for all physical and chemical characteristics. This includes fire safety criteria.

In order for your green roof to meet building regulations, the substrate should comply to BS 8616:2019.

Wallbarn commissioned an independent consultant to do a thorough analysis of our substrate, who confirmed that we comply to BS 8616:2019 in all aspects.

#### **GROWTH**

This independent soil specialist also conducted a series of 12 month growth trials on the Wallbarn substrate.

We took an initial batch of 11 different substrate mixes and grew sedums for 12 months, measuring the results from a number of aspects. The best performing substrate is what we grow our M-Tray® sedum and M-Tray® sedum / wildflower modules into.

We can therefore be assured it complies to all safety rules and is the optimum mix for growing and sustaining extensive green roofs in the long term.

# Plate 1: Trial site with mixed substrate before

seeding just visible with weed ingress



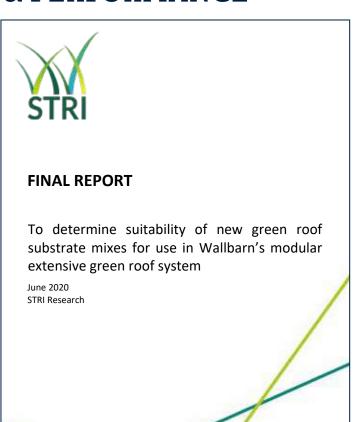














Plate 20: Trial site on 24.01.20 (206DAS)

## ROLL-OUT EXTENSIVE GREEN ROOFS

Wallbarn also supplies roll-out systems for larger scale green roof projects or those schemes with complicated shapes or a variety of substrate depths.

The required elements are all supplied to site separately. The protection membranes, separation fabrics and drainage membranes are supplied in large rolls. The substrate and edging pebbles are supplied in bags and the sedum and / or wildflower is supplied rolled up loose blankets.

Roll-out green roof construction is significantly slower than modular and makes a lot more mess. A far greater amount of horticultural and construction skill is required and we recommend that roll-out green roof construction is carried out by experienced landscaping professionals.

Wallbarn can give advice and guidance for roll out extensive, biodiverse and intensive green roof schemes. Please speak to a member of the Wallbarn team for help in design and specification of your project.



#### **ACCESSORIES**

#### **EDGING BAR**

An aluminium angle can be installed around your green roof modules both to improve the aesthetic finish and to create a separation between the vegetation and areas such as drains and roof lights.

The aluminium profile is right angled where it meets the deck, so it can sit underneath and be weighed-down either by the M-Trays® themselves or by pebbles. These are available in high finish aluminium or a range of powder coated RAL colours.







#### **PEBBLES**

Building regulations and the GRO Code stipulate that a border of pebbles should be installed around the perimeter of the green roof, around objects such as rooflights and drainage outlets at certain intervals within the roof to provide a fire break.

We recommend using clean, rounded riverstone pebbles which are free from fines and dirt.

Wallbarn can supply jumbo bags of 1 tonne, 25kg single bags and pallet loads of 40 x 25kg bags from stock to site quickly.

We also have a range of decorative stones in many colours and sizes available.



Wallbarn has spent several years developing the right balance of ingredients to go into the substrate for our M-Tray®. Our substrate can also be purchased separately.

#### **GEOTEXTILE FLEECE**

For our green roof products we recommend using our recycled geotextile fleece to act as a separation, filtration and protection layer

#### **IRRIGATION SYSTEMS**

Wallbarn supply a range of irrigation systems from simple timer based sprinkler networks to fully automated, web based irrigators, which feature drought and leak detectors.

#### **FERTILISER**

We can supply fertiliser with your green roof order or as and when you need it.











#### CARE & MAINTENANCE

A simple, low maintenance solution supplied layer by layer



Sedum requires less maintenance than other types of green roof because it is so hardy and drought resistant but periodic attention is recommended. A green roof is a living thing which will change significantly over the seasons. It will be at its most splendent in the Spring & Summer months and it is important that care and attention to substrate moisture levels, nutrients and weeds is given throughout the year to maintain healthy growth of the vegetation. A maintenance programme for your green roof should be made for regular intervals, especially in the Spring and Autumn including:

#### **EARLY SPRING**

- Removing weeds, especially grass, by hand.
- Removing dead vegetation including leaves and stalks from surface of green roof.
- Clearing debris from drainage outlets.
- "Gapping up" patches of bare substrate by either separating clumps of sedum from the existing roof and planting; buying additional plug plants to insert or spreading sedum cuttings onto the surface of the substrate and watering in fully.
- Cuttings are made by snipping off the tops of the stems from sedum plants. They re-root very efficiently quickly into the substrate.
- Applying Wallbarn Vitax Q4 slow-release granular fertiliser.



#### **MID SUMMER**

 Watering – Sedum will survive for periods without rain, but if it starts to turn red it is in distress. Although in times of drought the sedum goes into suspended animation, if in times of very high temperatures and no rainfall it is possible to irrigate the green roof, do so. An integrated irrigation system built into the green roof during installation is recommended.

#### **AUTUMN**

- Wait until all sedums and wildflowers have finished flowering.
- Removing weeds, especially grass, using tools to remove all roots.
- Clearing dead vegetation using a rake. Remove dead stalks and other items which can cause a fire hazard. If any dead vegetation is holding seeds post flowering spread these seeds onto the surface of the substrate and rake in where possible.
- Clearing debris from drainage outlets.
- "Gapping up" bare patches with sedum clumps, purchased plug plants or sedum cuttings.
- Watering in fully.
- Draining irrigation systems before frost appears.
- Applying Wallbarn Vitax Q4 slow-release granular fertiliser.

Sedum changes colour and leaf structure naturally throughout the year. Some keep their leaves, others die back, depending on the type of species. They can turn red during droughts, strong winds and frosts. This is normal and they will revert to their green hues over time.

#### TECHNICAL DATA

TECHNICAL DATA					
PRODUCT	M-TRAY® MODULAR GREEN ROOF				
Suitable for	Extensive green roof plants with lightweight, free-draining substrate				
Type of construction	Permanent				
Width / breadth	500mm x 500mm				
Height	100mm				
Shape of walls / sides	Tapered / angled				
Units per m²	4				
Material	Recycled polypropylene				
Thickness of material	3mm				
Internal ridge height / reservoir height	20mm				
Number of internal drainage reservoirs	25				
Drainage holes per unit	8				
Distance between trays at base	20mm				
Distance between trays at 50mm from base	10mm				
Dry weight (empty)	1.1Kg				
Weight field capacity <sup>1</sup>	25kg				
Connectors Per Unit	4				
Number Of Handles On Underside	4				
Detail Of Corners / Edges	Smooth / reinforced				

<sup>1.</sup> Filled & fully planted field capacity of wallbarn substrate & mature sedum plants during / after abnormal rainfall conditions.

#### **EXPORT & LICENSING OPPORTUNITIES**

UK	Registered Design	6140192	
UK	Registered Trademark	UK00003041800	
UK	Registered Cloned EU design post-Brexit	90029539430001	
USA	US Patent	D787,186S	
USA	Registered Design Application	29/802,855	
EU	Registered Design	002953943-0001	
EU	Registered Tradename	015388523	
Canada	Registered Design Application	205094	
Argentina	Registered Design	N°100508	
UAE Registered Design		7498	

An M-Tray® "Bible" is available to guide partners in the growing, installation and long term maintenance processes and we can draw on many years of experience. As well as supplying live products for installation on UK green roofs and landscaping spaces, Wallbarn is committed to M-Tray® as an export product.

M-Tray® by Wallbarn has a number of different territorial registered designs and patents including:

Licensing opportunities are available for both the M-Tray® brand and the mould, which can be granted to specific partner companies across the globe.

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**Delivery** 

roof/podium.

#### M-Tray® Installation guide

This is your step-by-step guide to unpacking, assembling and installing your Wallbarn product



The M-Trays® are delivered on pallets to

to move the pallets from the kerb to the

the kerbside. It is the buyer's responsibility

#### 2 Unpack immediately

Unpack the M-Trays® from the pallets <u>immediately</u> upon delivery to prevent the sedum plants being crushed. If left stacked for more than 24hrs sedum will start to decompose and die.



#### 3 Handballing trays

The trays can be easily transported by hand to where they are being laid.



#### 4 Prepare your roof

Ensure the roof membrane is properly protected and free from dirt and debris. Roll out the supplied geotextile fabric, ensuring an overlap of 20cm. This will act as a protective layer and a filter for drainage.



#### 5 Install metal edging

Once the geotextile is laid, install your aluminium edging (optional). This is placed around the perimeter and loose laid into position. Do not mechanically fix the edging into the waterproofing membrane.



#### 6 Start placing the trays

The trays are laid over the geotextile fabric and clicked together. They fit over the base of the edging bar.



#### 7 Tray orientation

Each module has 2 x clips on the North side and the East side; and 2 x recesses on the South side and the West side.



#### 8 Lay irrigation piping

If an irrigation system has been purchased, install as you lay the modules (see irrigation guide) by laying the pipes in between each tray at the base.







9 Aligning your trays

Repeat the process across the roof taking care to ensure the rows of M-Tray® are properly aligned.



10 Clipping trays together

Click each module into position ensuring clips are connected over the recess points.



#### 11 Adapt the trays

For curves, details and end-of-runs, the M-Tray® modules can be easily adapted using a wood saw. Take care not to dislodge the substrate or vegetation too much.



#### 12 Press open sides together

The open side(s) must always be pressed up to the side of the neighbouring M-Tray® in order to retain the substrate / growing medium.



#### 13 Create a hard border

Fire Regulations state that M-Trays® must not be installed right up to buildings, walls, roof lights, hatches, mansafes, vents, drainage outlets, or other protruding objects.



#### 14 Riverstone pebbles

A riverstone pebble border of at least 200mm width should be installed at these points (See GRO Code for guidance on building green roofs).



#### 15 Irrigate once installed

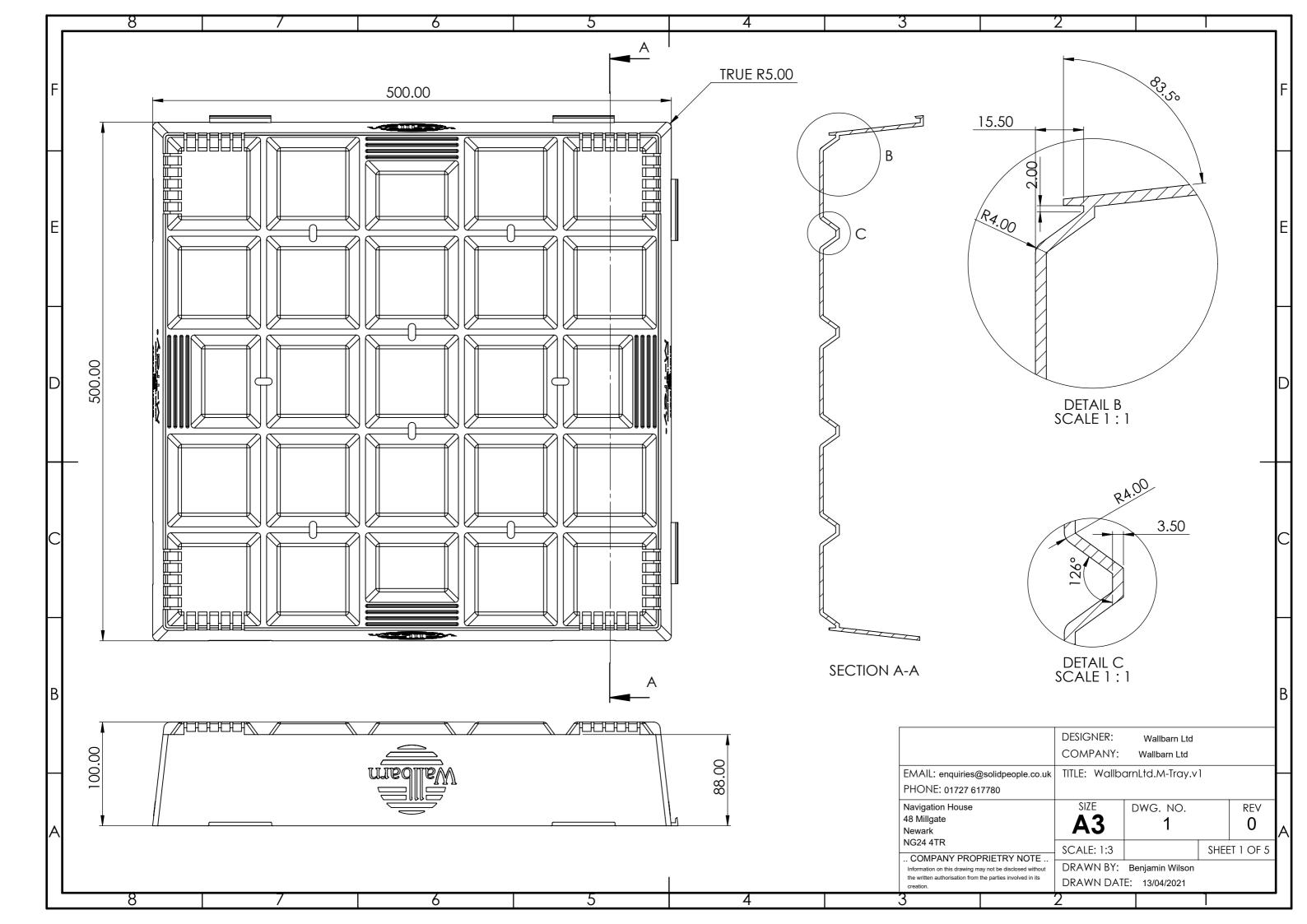
After installing the modules, it is essential that you water them thoroughly until fully saturated.

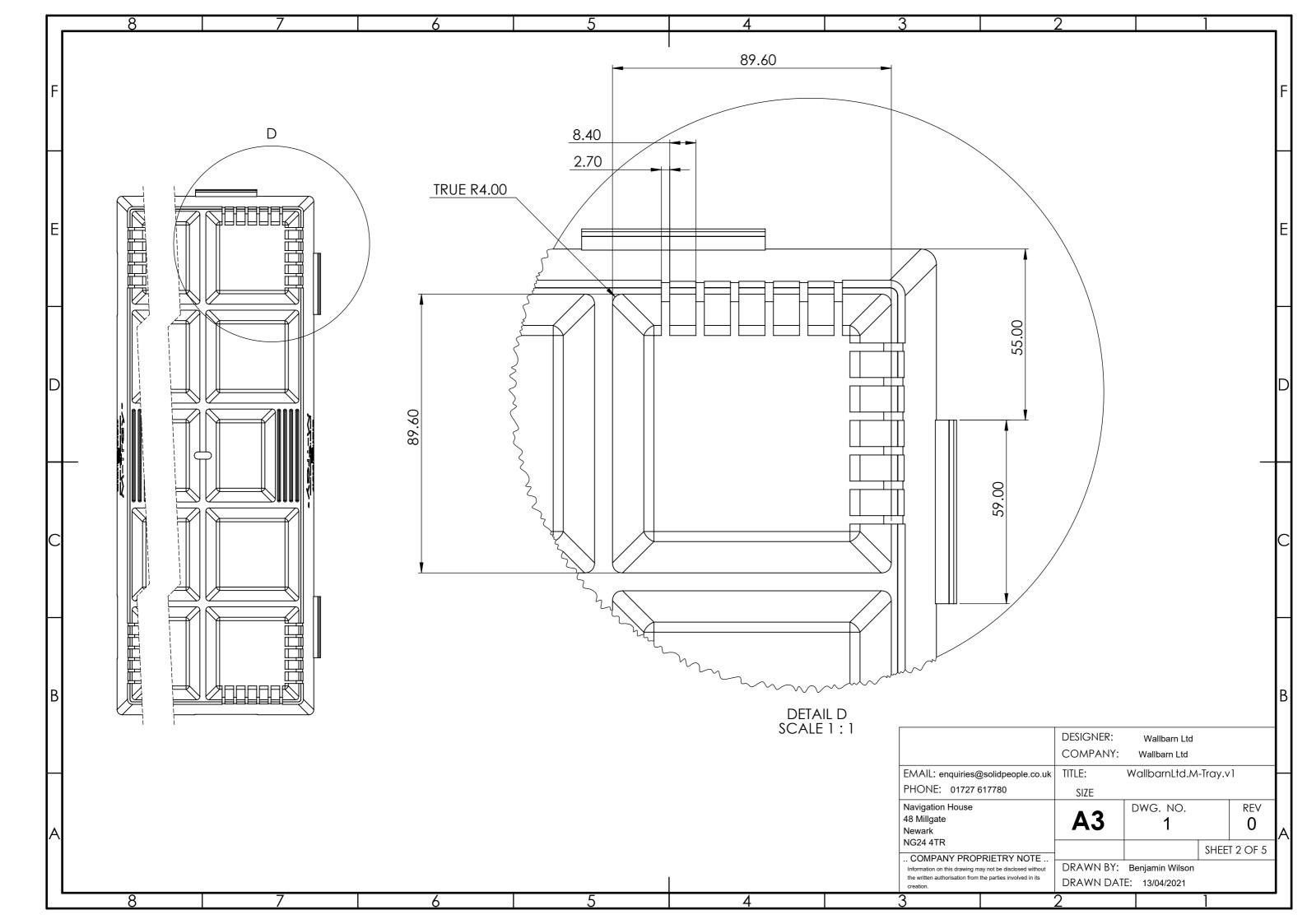
If an irrigation system has not been installed, water by hand.

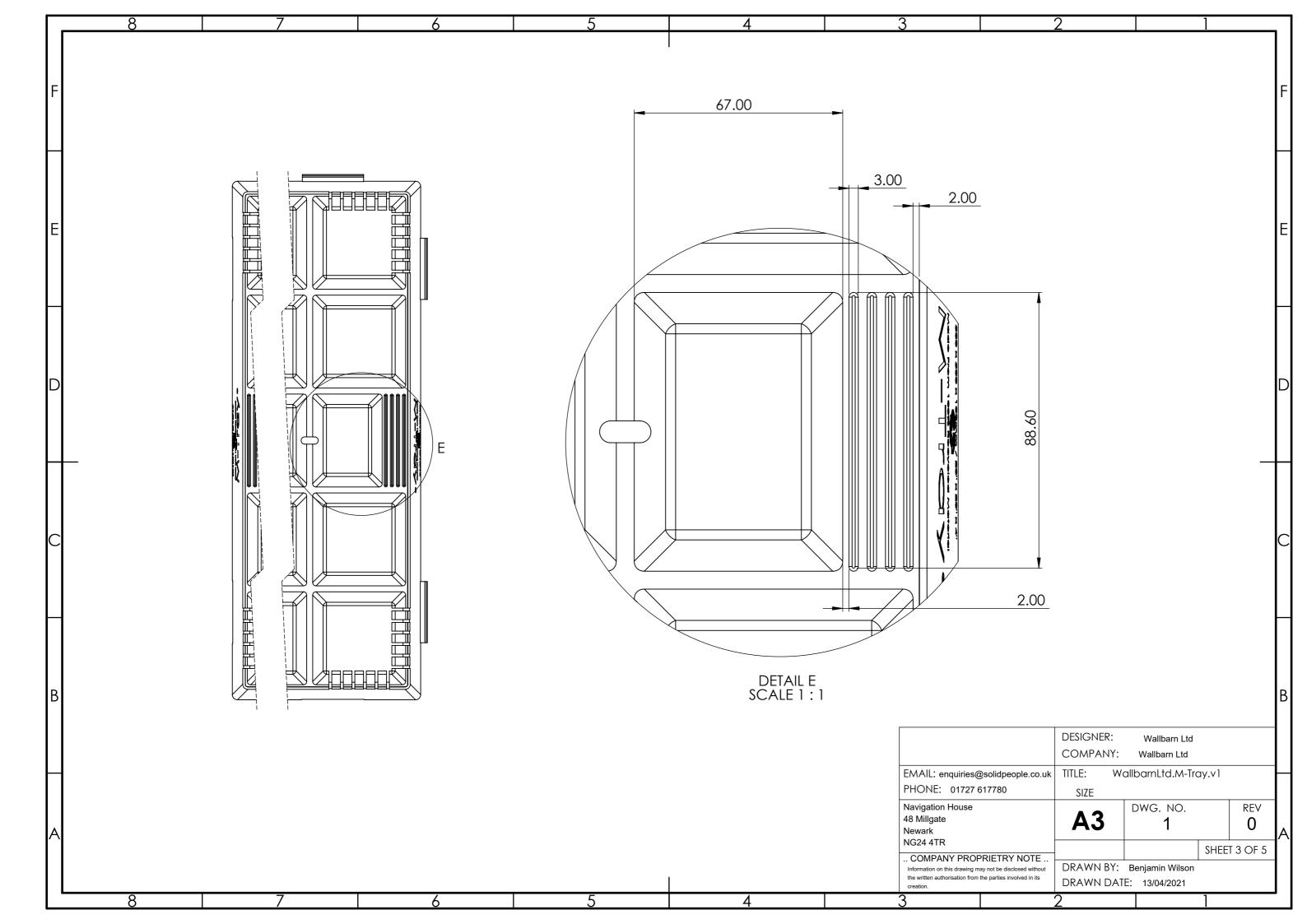


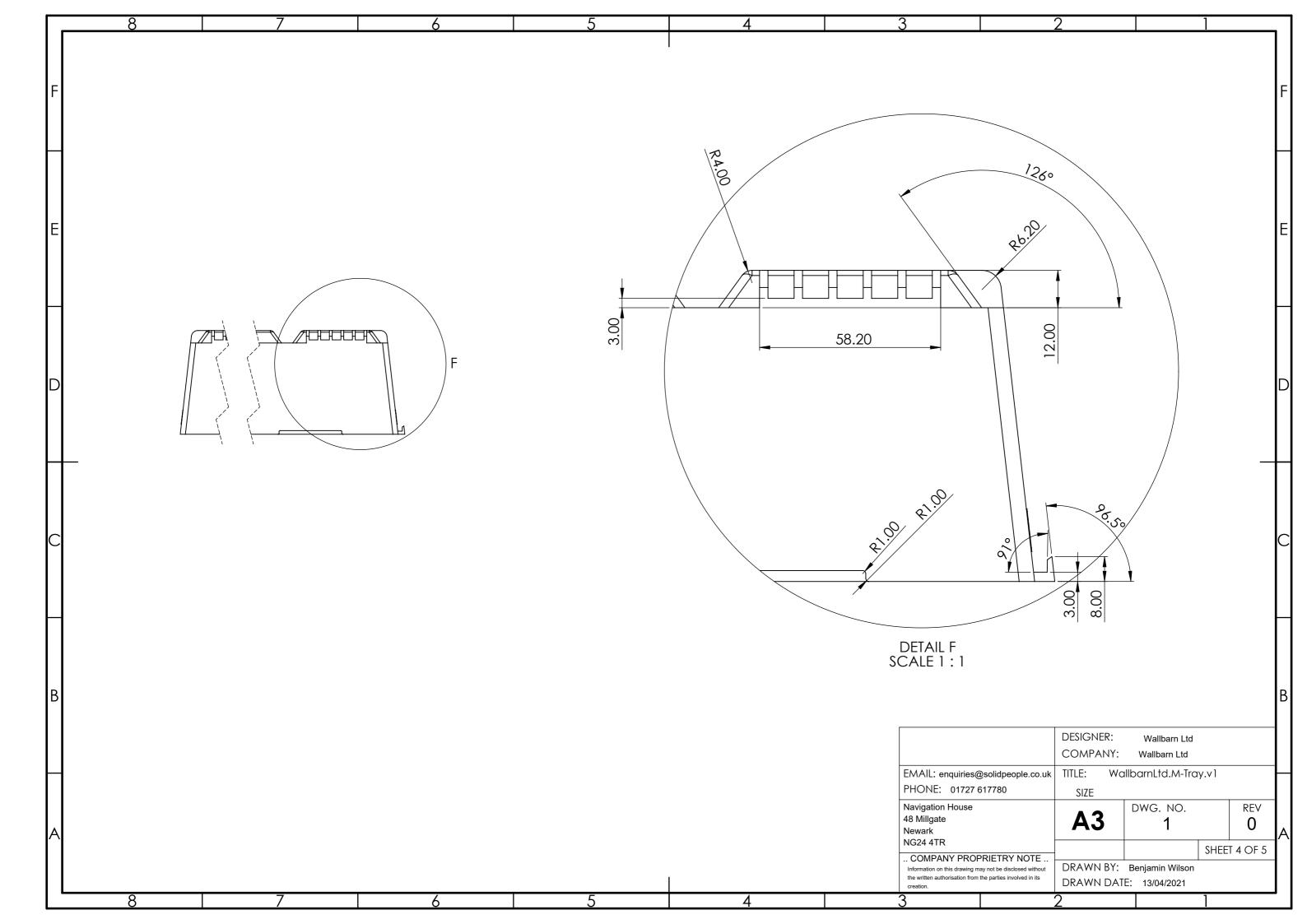
#### 16 Fertilize the vegetation

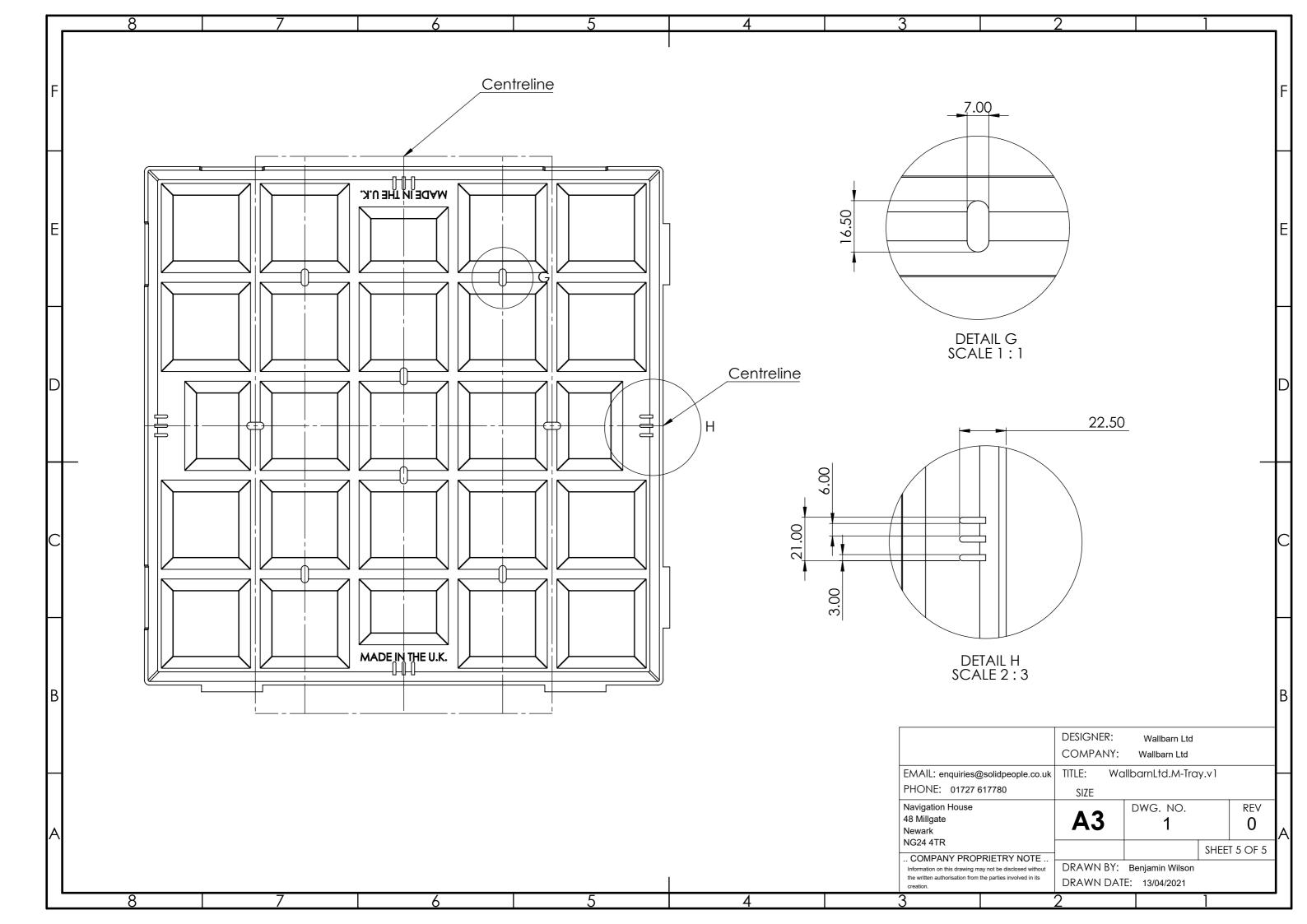
It is recommended that you scatter slow-release fertilizer by hand across the whole roof at the rate of 25 grammes per m2 (a handful).

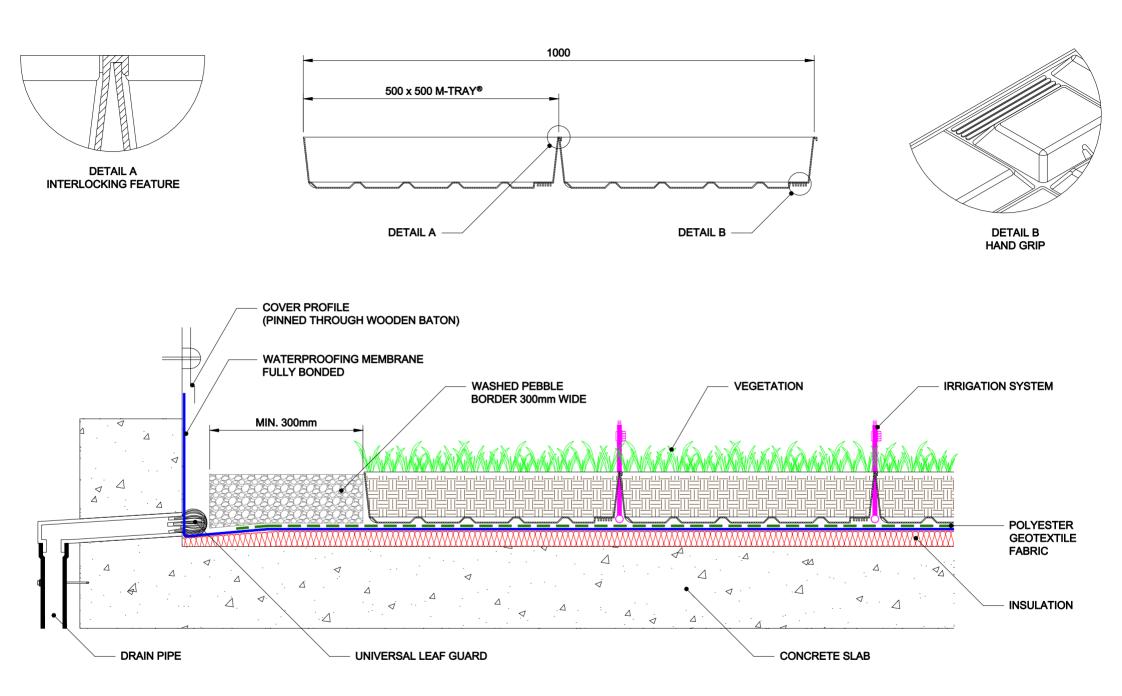












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#### June 2020

Substrate Specification for Wallbarn M-Tray® Mix			
Weight – 800 - 900kg per bag (depending on water content)			
Main Ingredients		% by Mass see note below	
Expanded Clay	Loose Expanded Clay 5-10mm	25%	
Lytag	LytaFill 8-14mm PL BS EN 13055 LytaFill 4-8mm PL BS EN 13055	25%	
Coir	Medium grade low EC	25%	
PAS 100	British Standard PAS 100 with additional composting and screening	25%	
pH Value	5.5 – 6.5		
EC Value	300 – 600 μS		
Added Nutrients	1 Kg /m <sup>3</sup> Base 7-21-21 + Trace Elements		

#### N.B.

Ingredients added by mass during mixing and installation.

Percentage of organics by weight in accordance with BS 8616:2019 (Specification for performance parameters and test methods for green roof substrates).





## **GREEN ROOF SUBSTRATE TEST RESULTS**

Client: Walbarn

Substrate: Green Roof Modules

October 2020 STRI Research



#### **Materials and Methods**

**Field site** : Testing took place in STRI green roof substrate testing laboratory,

Bingley (GPS reference 53.8474 and -1.8579).

Timing : Testing took place in October 2020

#### **Assessments**

All assessments were carried according to current STRI green roof substrate standard testing procedures (BSI 8616). All result values refer only to the substrate sample tested. STRI green roof substrate testing methods (BSI 8616) have been adapted from FLL testing procedures and therefore results are not directly comparable. STRI's laboratory is an official GRO testing house.

Physical Assessments	Particle Size Distribution
Bulk Density when oven dried (g cm <sup>-3</sup> )	Stones (>8 mm)
Bulk Density at field capacity (g cm <sup>-3</sup> )	Coarse gravel (8-4 mm)
Calculated bulk density at saturation (g cm <sup>-3</sup> )	Fine gravel (4-2 mm)
Particle Density (g cm <sup>-3</sup> )	Very coarse sand (2-1 mm)
Field Capacity (% v/v)	Coarse sand (1.0-0.5 mm)
Total Porosity (%)	Medium sand (0.5-0.25 mm)
Porosity at Field Capacity (%)	Fine sand (0.250-0.125 mm)
Saturated Hydraulic Conductivity (mm min <sup>-1</sup> )	Very fine sand (0.125-0.050 mm)
	Silt (0.050-0.002 mm)
	Clay (<0.002 mm)
Chemical Assessments	
Organic Matter (%)	
рН	
EC (mS cm <sup>-1</sup> )	
Heavy metals (Lead, Copper, zinc, cadmium,	
nickel) (mg l <sup>-1</sup> )	
Plant available PK (mg l <sup>-1</sup> )	
Total N (%)	
C:N ratio	

#### **Substrate composition:**

Green roof module: LECA 50 %, Green Waste Compost 25 %, Coir 25%

New Mix: Lytag 8-16 mm, LECA 25 %, Green Waste Compost 25 %, Coir 25%



### **Specification Sheet**

Table 1: Physical and selected chemical properties of Walbarn Green Roof Module Substrate. Values refer only to the substrate samples tested.

	Green Roof Module Substrate	New Mix
Substrate Density		
Bulk Density when Oven Dried	0.42 g cm <sup>-3</sup>	
Bulk Density at Field Capacity	1.01 g cm <sup>-3</sup>	
Calculated Bulk Density at Saturation	1.04 g cm <sup>-3</sup>	
Particle Density	1.12 g cm <sup>-3</sup>	
Water & Air		
Field Capacity	59.4 % v/v	
Total Porosity	62.4 %	
Porosity at Field Capacity	3.0 %	
Saturated Hydraulic Conductivity	20.1 mm min <sup>-1</sup>	
Chemical		
Organic Matter	11.5 %	10.6 %
рН	7.3	
EC	3.54 mS cm <sup>-1</sup>	
Plant available phosphate	342 mg l <sup>-1</sup>	
Plant available potassium	957 mg l <sup>-1</sup>	
Total nitrogen	1.4 %	
Lead	7.0 mg l <sup>-1</sup>	
Nickel	1.1 mg l <sup>-1</sup>	
Copper	6.9 mg l <sup>-1</sup>	
Cadmium	0.3 mg l <sup>-1</sup>	
Zinc	28.6 mg l <sup>-1</sup>	
C:N ratio	4.8	
Particle Size Distribution (% weight)		
Stones (>8 mm)	20.0	
Coarse gravel (8-4 mm)	42.2	
Fine gravel (4-2 mm)	4.2	
Very coarse sand (2-1 mm)	1.9	
Coarse sand (1.0-0.5 mm)	2.3	
Medium sand (0.5-0.25 mm)	4.2	
Fine sand (0.250-0.125 mm)	4.1	
Very fine sand (0.125-0.050 mm)	3.1	
Silt (0.050-0.002 mm)	9.4	
Clay (<0.002 mm)	8.6	



Signed: (Study Director)

Date: October 2020

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### Materials Datasheet for Wallbarn M-Tray® - Polyproplene

### **Roof box load test DOE**

**Method**: Edges of box supported on 48 mm (h) x 570 mm (l) blocks of wood, load applied to centre of box in 1kg increments over a 140mm diameter and deflection measured at the centre line.

#### **Results:**

Load : (KG	Deflection: (mm)
0	0
1	0.4
2	1.5
3	1.7
4	2.34
5	2.89
6	3.44
7	4.1
8	4.55
9	5.2
10	6.12
11	7.72
12	8.65
13	9.81
14	11.02
15	12.37

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## **AXPOLY®** PP51 1000

Product information sheet: Black copolymer polypropylene resin

**Description:** General purpose injection moulding compound suitable for a wide range of shaped products where consistent polymer properties are combined with reliable performance to deliver cost efficiencies without compromising on quality.

#### **Product physical properties**

Product grade: Axpoly® PP51 1000

Test parameter	ISO standard	Mean value	Units
MFI (2.16 kg @ 230°C)	1133	6	g/10mins
Density	1183 -1	0.96	g/cm³
Tensile strength	527 - 1/2	20	MPa
Impact strength	180	9	kj/m²
Elongation @ break	527 - 1/2	25	%
Flexural Modulus	178	980	MPa

**Please note** this polymer is not approved for use in food, medical or toy applications.





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#### 1. Substance/Preparation and Company Identification

Company: MBA Polymers UK Ltd.

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Product/Trade Name:

PP2117 x yy/zz
PP2131F20 yy/zz
PP2123 x yy/zz
PP 2126 x yy/zz
PP2132 z yy/zz
PP2143 x yy/zz
PP2154 x yy/zz
PP2172 x yy/zz
PP2182 x yy/zz

(x: specific index for special product properties)
(yy/zz: Colour index following the RAL colour code system)

<u>Use:</u> Injection Moulding (molten plastic processing) **Synonym:** Post Consumer PP Re-granulate (PCR)

#### 2. Hazard Identification

Following the GHS criteria the product needs no identification of hazards. Potential risks mentioned below refer to the product as a melted mass.

Potential Health Effects - Eyes: Fumes released during processing may cause eye irritation.

Potential Health Effects - Skin: Danger of burns while handling the hot product.

Potential Health Effects - Inhalation: Fumes released during processing may irritate respiratory system.

#### 3. Composition/Information on Ingredients

CAS#	Component	
9003-7-0	Polypropylene	
9002-88-4	Polyethylene	
n.a.	Other thermoplastic material	
n.a.	Additives: UV Stabilizers, Antioxidants, Colour pigments, lubricants	



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#### 4. First Aid Measures

Contact medical assistance immediately in case of an accident or an indisposition.

**First Aid: Eyes:** In case of contact, flush eyes with water for at least 5 minutes. Obtain medical attention if irritation persists.

**First Aid: Skin:** In case of contact, wash thoroughly with soap and large amounts of water. If irritation develops, get medical attention. In case of contact with molten product, cool rapidly with water and seek immediate medical attention. Do not attempt to remove molten product from skin because skin will tear easily.

**First Aid: Ingestion:** Due to the physical nature of this material, ingestion is unlikely to occur. If ingestion of a large amount does occur, seek medical attention.

**First Aid: Inhalation:** If dusts or vapours produced during thermal processing of this material are inhaled, remove to fresh air. If respiratory irritation occurs, if breathing becomes difficult, or if other symptoms develop, seek medical attention.

First Aid: Notes to Physician: No information available.

#### 5. Fire Fighting Measures

Extinguishing media: Dry extinguishing media, foam, carbon dioxide.

**Specific hazards:** In case of fire carbon dioxide, carbon monoxide can be released.

Special protective equipment: Self contained breathing equipment.

Disposal: Dispose of fire debris and contaminated extinguishing water according to official regulations.

#### 6. Accidental Release Measures

**Precautions:** Avoid inhalation. Keep away from sources of ignition.

Cleaning up/Taking up: Take up product by sweeping or shovelling up. Avoid raising dust. Adequate

ventilation recommended.

Additional information: High risk of slipping due to leakage or spillage of the product.

Preventive environmental protection: Avoid any disposal of the product into the environment.

#### 7. Handling and Storage

Handling: Processing machines need to have exhaust ventilation.

Storage: Store in dry and cool area. Avoid all potential sources of ignition.

#### 8. Exposure Controls and Personal Protection

Ensuring effective ventilation at workplaces it can be assumed that threshold limits will not be reached for the following substances:

9003-7-0: Polypropylene

9002-88-4: Polyethylene

**Personal protective equipment - Respiratory:** In case of dust caused e.g. during handling or cutting a breathing protection with particle filter Type P1 or FFP1 is recommended.



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**Personal protective equipment – Hand protection:** Use additional heat protection gloves when dealing with hot molten product.

**Personal protective equipment – Eye protection:** Wear safety glasses when dealing with hot molten product. **General safety measures:** Handle in accordance with good industrial safety practice. Do not inhale dust mists or vapours. Avoid contact of hot molten product with skin.

#### 9. Physical and Chemical Properties

Form Beads

Colour depending on colouring

Odour Slight specific odour

Softening temperature App. 75°C

Ignition temperature >320°C

Raw density: App. 0,94 g/cm³ at RT

Bulk density: App. 500 kg/m³

Solubility in water Insoluble

#### 10. Stability and Reactivity

**Conditions to avoid:** Avoid extreme heat and all potential sources of ignition like heat, sparks and open flames. Thermal decomposition starts app. at 300°C.

**Decomposition products:** Monomers, oxides, hydrocarbons. Overheating of the product causes thermal degradation and generates gases and vapours.

#### 11. Toxicological Information

**Additional information:** Based on our experience no adverse health effects are known if the product is handled as recommended.

#### 12. Ecological Information

Degradability: No data available.

Additional information: Insoluble in water.

#### 13. Disposal Considerations

Packaging: Uncontaminated packaging can be reused.

**Product:** Product has to be disposed according national official regulations.

Waste code number (Basel Code): B3010.



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#### 14. Transport Information

Not classified as hazardous under transport regulations.

#### 15. Regulatory Information

**EC regulations:** Products does not require hazard warning label.

**Other regulations:** Make sure that handling with the product is in accordance with the official regulations for personal safety.

#### 16. Other Information

#### Additional information:

In addition to the information given above we refer to our specific product information sheets and our processing data sheets.

The information herein is based on our current knowledge and experience. The data above does not describe product properties.

The data implies no guarantee of properties. The suitability of the product for a specific purpose can only be ensured with investigation and testing.

#### **Technical Data Sheet**

### **PP2154**



#### **Description**

A post-consumer recycled polypropylene copolymer with enhanced flow properties for general use. Available in standard black (reference 90/04).

Material Properties			
	Value	Unit	Test Method
Physical			
Density	0.93	g/cm <sup>3</sup>	ISO 1183
Rheological			
Melt Flow Rate (230°C / 2.16 kg)	15	g/10 min	ISO 1133
Mechanical			
Tensile Stress at Yield (23°C)	17	MPa	ISO 527-2/50
Flexural Modulus (23°C)	800	MPa	ISO 178
Impact			
Notched Izod Impact Strength (23°C)	9	kJ/m <sup>2</sup>	ISO 180/1A

#### Note:

The data above is provided in good faith and represents typical properties based on our current knowledge and experience. Product properties may be changed without notice. These properties are provided as a guide and should not be construed as binding specification limits or minimum values. This document does not create any liability, warranty or guarantee of product performance. It is the buyer's responsibility to determine the suitability of MBA Polymers products for the intended application. We DO NOT recommend our materials for toys or for applications that involve food contact or human oral contact or for medical applications.

#### **Technical Data Sheet**

## **PP2154**



Processing Information			
	Value	Unit	
Preprocessing			
Drying Temperature	80	°C	
Drying Time	1-2	hr	
Moisture Content	<0.05-0.10	%	
Injection Moulding			
Melt Temperature Range	190-220	°C	
Recommended Melt Temperature	200	°C	
Mould Temperature Range	30-60	°C	
Recommended Mold Temperature	40	°C	
Extrusion			
Melt Temperature Range	180-210	°C	
Recommended Melt Temperature	200	°C	

#### Note:

The processing parameters listed above are general guidelines based on our current knowledge and experience. The suitability of the data for a specific processing method can only be ensured with investigations and tests by the end user.