

Tensar TriAx[®] Stabilisation Geogrid Model Specification – TX170

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

- 1. The stabilisation geogrid shall be Tensar TriAx TX170 [OPTIONAL CLAUSE]
- 2. The stabilisation geogrid 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.
- **3.** The stabilisation geogrid 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.
- **4.** The stabilisation geogrid shall be manufactured from polypropylene.
- **5.** The stabilisation geogrid class shall be 'punched and stretched'.
- **6.** The stabilisation geogrid 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 Radial Secant Stiffness measured at 0.5% strain shall be 480kN/m (within a tolerance of -90kN/m), measured in accordance with EOTA® Technical report TR41 B.1. (1)
- **8.** The Radial Secant Stiffness Ratio shall be 0.8 (within a tolerance of -0.15), measured in accordance with EOTA® Technical report TR41 B.1. (1)
- **9.** The Junction Efficiency 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 shall be 80mm (within a tolerance of ±4mm). Where hexagon pitch is the distance between alternate parallel ribs, measured in accordance with EOTA® Technical report TR41 B.4. (1)
- **11.** The geogrid 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.

For product identification purposes the following characteristics shall be used.

a.The Radial Secant Stiffness measured at 2% strain shall be 360kN/m (within a tolerance of -65kN/m), measured in accordance with EOTA $^{\rm B}$ Technical report TR41 B.1. $^{\rm (1)}$

b.The Hexagon Pitch of the geogrid shall be 80mm (within a tolerance of ± 4 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 0.270 kg/m2 (within a tolerance of -0.035kg/m2) Measured in accordance with EOTA® Technical Report TR41 B.3. $^{(1)}$

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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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