

TENCATE
Mirafi®

GEOSYNTHETICS

Pavement Solutions

**Paving Interlayer Product
Selection Guide**



Pavement Solutions Features & Benefits

Pavement interlayers are materials or combinations of materials that can be placed within a pavement system during new construction, rehabilitation or preservation in conjunction with an overlay or surface treatment to extend pavement service life. Two key benefits of utilizing interlayers are to mitigate reflective cracking and reduce the amount of surface water that will penetrate into the pavement structure, increasing the life-cycle performance of the pavement. Interlayers can also provide stress and/or strain relief for the subsequent surface treatment because of the improved flexural strength of the materials from which they are made.

Pavement interlayers are designed and engineered using many different manufacturing processes. The most common interlayer that has been used successfully for over 40 years in the hot mix asphalt paving industry is polypropylene fabric. Other materials used in today's interlayer pavement manufacturing process incorporate the use of fiberglass, polyester or other synthetic materials to name a few. These materials can act independently or may be formed to create a composite material. These materials are manufactured to conform to nationally accepted specifications and requirements taking on many physical characteristics such as grids, nonwoven fabrics and or a combination of both.

It is with these performance features of the TenCate Mirafi® family of paving interlayer products that pavements can be made to last longer and deliver a smoother ride throughout the life of the pavement by reducing cracking and reducing life-cycle maintenance costs into the future. This concept of using a paving interlayer provides a cost effective approach to extending the life cycle performance for your pavement.

This guide is intended to provide a general overview of pavement distresses, their causes and the appropriate TenCate Mirafi® paving interlayer that can be selected for use in conjunction with your new hot mix asphalt overlay. This guide is not designed to be a stand alone document in the decision making process, and it should be noted that additional factors such as exposure to varying environmental conditions, traffic volumes, the existing structural section and existing pavement distresses must be taken into account to ensure the right interlayer is selected for the right pavement at the right time.

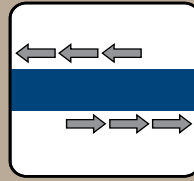
Features and Benefits	TenCate Paving Products									
	Mirafi® MPV					Mirafi® FG & FGC			TruPave® Engineered Paving Mat	Mirafi® MTK
	400	500	600	700	MiraGreen® HD	FG100	FGC100	FG200		
 SEALING	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓		✓	✓
 STRESS RELIEF	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
 ADHESIVE BONDING	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓		✓	✓
 REINFORCEMENT						✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

The family of TenCate Mirafi® paving interlayer products is specifically designed to work across the full spectrum of pavement defects, and it is recommended that you contact your local TenCate representative to discuss the appropriate restoration program when considering using an interlayer.



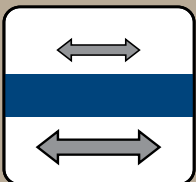
SEALING

Sealing... Mirafi® paving materials will deliver a virtual moisture barrier when installed with paving grade liquid asphalts. Depending on the recommended application rates (see installation instructions), the materials will become impervious to water intrusion.



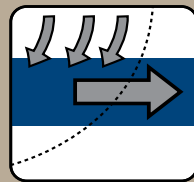
ADHESIVE BONDING

Adhesive Bonding... Mirafi® paving materials will provide a strong adhesive composite interface between your pavement overlay and the underlying pavement when used with the recommended asphaltic binder, insuring against slippage and premature pavement failures.



STRESS RELIEF

Stress Relief... Mirafi® paving materials are engineered to provide a stress relief between the forces that cause pavements to crack and fail due to loading and environmental forces acting on pavements.



REINFORCEMENT

Reinforcement... Mirafi® paving materials in addition to providing a superior stress relief interlayer, will also provide a loading reinforcement component to add additional load carrying strength to your new asphalt overlay.

TenCate Mirafi® Interlayer Selection Based on Pavement Distress Type and Extent

TenCate Interlayer	Alligator Cracking			Block, Longitudinal, and Non-Thermal Transverse Cracking		Thermal Cracking			Moisture Protection
	Load Related	Age Oxidation {low to medium}	Age Oxidation {medium to high}	Low to Medium (width <1/2")	High (>1/2")	Low (< 1/4")	Medium (1/4"-1/2")	High (>1/2")	
Paving Fabric w/ Overlay {Mirafi® MPV}	N	E	G{1}	F	F{2}	G	F{2}	N	E{3}
Paving Fabric with Chip Seal	N	E	G{1}	G	G{2}	F	N	N	E{3}
Paving Mat	G	E	E{1}	E{2}	G{2}	E	G{2}	F{1,2}	E{3}
Mirafi® FG Paving Grid	G	E{1}	E{1}	E{1}	E{1}	E	E{1,2}	E{1,2}	n/a
FGC Paving Composite Grid	G	E	E{1}	E	E{2}	E	E{1,2}	E{1,2}	E{3}
Mirafi® MTK Composite {Strip} Membranes	n/a	n/a	n/a	E	E{2}	E	E	G	E

{1} Interlayer with leveling course first
 {2} Interlayer with crack filling first
 {3} Interlayer dependent on asphalt tack application rate

{N} not recommended
 {E} Excellent
 {G} Good
 {F} Fair
 n/a not applicable

TenCate™ develops and produces materials that increase performance, reduce costs and enable people to achieve what was once unachievable. Our goal is to contribute significantly to progress in the industries in which we work.



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