

## REFLECTIX® SUBMITTAL SHEET

# Radiant Floor - Wood Joists Insulation

This application is ideal for a radiant floor system above or below a wooden (joist) sub-floor. The benefits provided by Reflectix® are dramatic. In addition to an impressive R-21, the reflective film provides a 96% reflectivity of radiant energy back into the system. The product has the added attraction of ease of handling and installation.

## PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

The Reflectix® Double Reflective Insulation consists of two layers of highly reflective film (96% reflectivity) that are bonded to two tough layers of polyethylene. Two inner layers of insulating bubbles and a center layer of polyethylene provide this easy to handle product with high strength and reliability.

## BENEFITS

- Up to an R-21 and fiber-free
- Costs less to install
- Does not require protective clothing or respirators to install
- Vapor and radon retarder
- Directs heat into living space
- Enhances even heat distribution across the floor surface
- Resists growth of fungi, mold and mildew
- No nesting characteristics for insects
- Non-toxic / non-carcinogenic
- When properly installed, inhibits ground moisture from causing dry rot (installed to the bottom of the joists over a crawl)
- ISO 9001:2015 Certified Manufacturing Location

## TECHNICAL DATA

Temperature Range:	-30° to +180° F
Nominal Thickness:	5/16 inch (.312)
Weight:	0.771 oz./sq. ft.
Flame Spread Index (ASTM E 84):	Less than 25
Smoke Developed Index (ASTM E 84):	Less than 50
Fire Rating:	Class A/Class 1
Linear Shrinkage:	None
Reflectance (IR):	96%
Water Vapor Transmission (ASTM E 96):	0.02
Puncture Resistance:	60 lb./in.
Mold and Mildew:	No Growth
Emittance:	0.04
Tensile Strength:	3.7 N/mm
Pliability:	No Cracking
Hot Surface Performance:	Passed (250° F)

*Note:* Not for use in direct contact on surface temperatures that are 180° F or greater.

## REFLECTIX® DOUBLE REFLECTIVE INSULATION PART NUMBERS AND STOCK SIZES

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|-------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| • HVST16050 (16" x 50') | • HVST16100 (16" x 100') | • HVST16125 (16" x 125') |
| • HVST48050 (48" x 50') | • HVST48100 (48" x 100') | • HVST48125 (48" x 125') |

## APPLICATIONS

The Reflectix® Double Reflective Insulation is installed in radiant floor systems in floor joists and provides up to an R-21 and 96% reflectivity (up).



## Features AT A GLANCE:

Reflectix® Insulation is a labor reducer because of its easy to handle and install characteristics

Reflects 96% of radiant heat back up into the living space

Reduces annual energy costs of the system

## WAREHOUSE LOCATIONS:

Markleville, IN · Phoenix, AZ  
Greenville, SC · Needham, MA

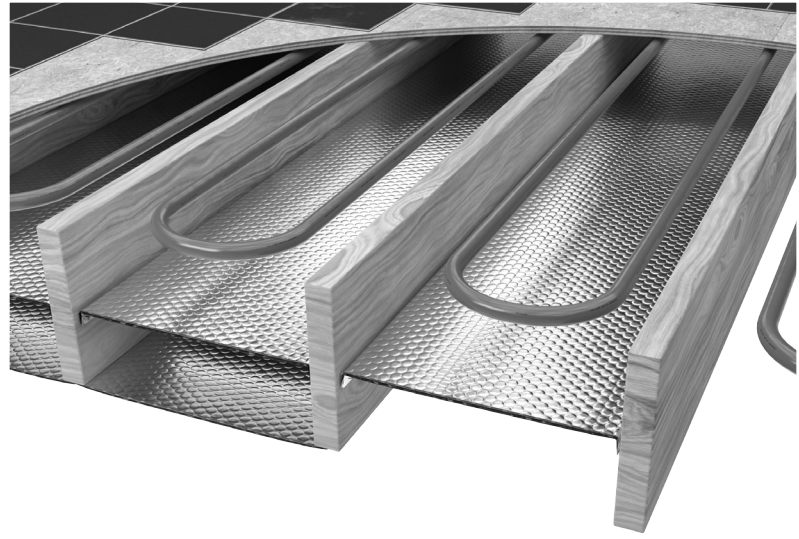
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## TESTING & CERTIFICATIONS

- Thermal Performance of Wall Systems ASTM C1363
- Thermal Performance of HVAC Duct System ASTM C335
- Thermal Performance of Crawl Space ASTM C1363
- Hot Surface Performance ASTM C411
- Heat Transfer (Heat Flow Up, Down, Horizontal) ASTM C1363
- Thermal Performance of Reflectix® and Fiberglass in Walls ASTM C1363
- Heat Transfer of Air-Handling Ducts with Reflectix®
- Flame Spread and Smoke Density ASTM E84
- Mounting Method ASTM E2599
- Fungus Resistance Mil-Std 810B Method 508
- Pliability Test ASTM C1224
- Sound Absorption Test ASTM C423 and ASTM E795
- Sound Transmission Loss ASTM E90 and ASTM E413
- Water Vapor Transmission ASTM E96
- Tensile Strength ASTM D751
- Emittance Testing ASTM C1371
- Thermal Performance of Water Heater Jackets
- Intertek: Surface Burning Characteristics of Building Materials ASTM E84 (Taped Joint Detail) Test Report # 3166908SAT-012
- Intertek: Surface Burning Characteristics of Building Materials ASTM E84 (Unslit) Test Report # 3166908SAT-011
- R&D Services: Resistance to the Growth of Fungi ASTM C1338 Test



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- State of California
- State of California Licensed Insulation Manufacturer
- State of Minnesota: Filed with Minnesota Insulation Standards Program
- State of Wisconsin: Wisconsin Material Approval, Safety and Buildings Division Approval # 920088-1
- R&D Services Emittance Testing
- R&D Services: Physical Properties Sheet Width, Length, Pliability, Water Vapor Permanence and Aged Water Vapor Permanence
- R&D Services: Water Vapor Transmission Test ASTM E96 (Dessicant Method)

## MANUFACTURER'S SUGGESTED INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

NOTE: Installation instructions and illustrated drawings are recommendations only, while proper local construction methods are the responsibility of the installer.

### THERE ARE 5 METHODS OF INSTALLATION (WITH VARYING LEVELS OF BENEFIT)

Note: For all methods, inspect the structural integrity of the sub-floor and make any needed repairs before installing Reflectix®.

#### 1. PRODUCT (DOUBLE LAYER) INSTALLED TO UNDERSIDE AND INSIDE OF FLOOR JOIST R-21 AND A RADIANT REFLECTOR

- Begin at one end of the house. Insert the first course of Reflectix® half way up into the joist cavity and staple (at approximately 3" to 4" intervals) the edge of the product to the side of the joist. The goal is to split the joist cavity into two approximately equal enclosed air spaces.
- Continue with the second course of product at one end of a joist cavity (after the first course has been installed) and secure the product "end" with staples to the sub-floor or band board. Proceed down the joists by stapling each edge (or middle of the Reflective/Bubble/Bubble/ Reflective 48" wide product) to the face of each joist. Staple the product at intervals of approximately 3" to 4". Enclose the entire joist run(s).
- Seal seams with Reflectix® Foil Tape to create a vapor/moisture barrier.
- Repeat for each joist that contains the Radiant Floor System.

#### 2. PRODUCT INSTALLED TO UNDERSIDE OF FLOOR JOIST R-16 AND A RADIANT REFLECTOR

- Begin at one end of a joist cavity (that contains the Radiant Floor System) and install the product "end" with staples to the sub-floor or band board. Proceed down the joists by stapling each edge (or middle of the Reflective/Bubble/Bubble/ Reflective 48" wide product) to the face of each joist. Staple at intervals of approximately 3" to 4". Enclose the entire joist run(s).
- Seal seams with Reflectix® Foil Tape to create a vapor/moisture barrier.

- Repeat for each joist that contains the Radiant Floor System.

### 3. PRODUCT INSTALLED INSIDE THE JOIST CAVITY DIMINISHED R-VALUE / RADIANT REFLECTOR

- It is possible to install the Reflectix® inside the joist cavity (utilizing the Reflective/Bubble/Bubble/Reflective, Staple Tab product).
- Start at one end of the house. Tuck Reflectix® into the joist cavity.
- Each edge of the product has a 3/4" staple tab. Determine the depth inside the cavity that the product is to be installed and attach the product with staples (through the tab) at approximately 3" to 4" intervals. Repeat on opposite joist.
- The less air space between the product and the sub-floor, the lower the R-value (although reflectivity will be maintained).

#### EXAMPLES OF BENEFITS BASED ON AIR SPACE WIDTH ABOVE PRODUCT:

- 0.5" air space = R-2.7
- 0.75" air space = R-4.6
- 3.5" air space = R-8.2

### 4. PRODUCT INSTALLED INSIDE THE JOIST CAVITY WITH MASS INSULATION BELOW DIMINISHED R-VALUE / RADIANT REFLECTOR

- It is possible to install the Reflectix® inside the joist cavity above a mass insulation batt.
- Refer to Method #3 for installation procedure, air space options and resulting R-values.

### 5. PRODUCT INSTALLED INSIDE THE JOIST CAVITY WITH MASS INSULATION ABOVE R-2.7 WITH A 0.5" ENCLOSED AIR SPACE OR R-4.6 WITH A 0.75" ENCLOSED AIR SPACE

- Reflectix® can be installed below the mass insulation batt.
- Refer to Method #3 for installation procedure, air space options and resulting R-values.
- Finish with an interior panel below the Reflectix® (typical when finishing a basement).