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"HOW TO PATCH SHEPWEAVE II BOTTOM BOARD"

Shepweave II is a homogeneous product composed of strands of high-density polyethylene woven together and coated on one side with a continuous layer of black polyethylene.

The suggested patching methods for Shepweave II are as follows:

SMALL REPAIRS

1. Small cuts or tears may be repaired by using Shepherd Distributions 4", 6" wide BL-1000 Series tapes (TABL1000 or TABL006), which are made from actual bottom board material, or one of our 2" duct tapes, TACP1 or TACP-620A (heavy duty tape). These can be used in the following method: Make sure that the repairs are securely covered with whichever tape you use, and that the tape extends beyond the damaged area by 2" or more. TACP1 and TACP-620A will many times, require several pieces to get the right coverage.

LARGE REPAIRS

1. Large repairs (for areas where the bottom board has been removed to do plumbing repairs, etc.) can be made by using one of these methods:

A. Large repairs can be made using Shepherd Distributions 28" wide BL-1000 Series tape TABL028. Again this material is made from our bottomboard material and if applied right by overlapping the opening by at least 2" will give you an appearance of the original bottom board. Other patching methods most of the time will appear to look like bandages.

B. A large repair can also be repaired by cutting a piece of standard bottom board material to a size that will over lap the opening to be repaired by 2" all around. Apply Shepherd Distributions TABL1000, TABL006, TACP1 or TACP-620A tape around the perimeter of the patch making sure that the tape is distributed and applied evenly on both the bottom board being repaired and the patch. (If for some reason none of the tapes above are available, any equally good pressure sensitive tape may be used.

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AROUND WATER SUPPLY OR DRAIN LINES ETC.

1. Cut a patch that is larger than the area to be repaired. Cut an X in the patch and push it up over the pipe. Secure patch to the bottom board with tape.
2. Use either TABL1000, TABL006, TACP1 or TACP-620A tape to seal around pipes.

PATCHING LONGEVITY

Please keep in mind these important facts:

1. The patch should be of such quality that it becomes an integral part of the bottom board.
2. The patch should be made out of material that will last as long as the bottom board product to which it is applied.