



## CONTINUUM ST CERTIFIED PROPERTIES

MATERIAL PROPERTY	TEST METHOD	TEST FREQUENCY ft <sup>2</sup> (m <sup>2</sup> )	REQUIRED VALUES
Bentonite Swell Index <sup>1</sup>	ASTM D 5890	1 per 50 tonnes	24 ml/2g min.
Bentonite Fluid Loss <sup>1</sup>	ASTM D 5891	1 per 50 tonnes	18 ml max.
Bentonite Mass/Area <sup>2</sup>	ASTM D 5993	40,000 ft <sup>2</sup> (4,000 m <sup>2</sup> )	0.75 lb/ft <sup>2</sup> (3.6 kg/m <sup>2</sup> ) min
GCL Tensile Strength <sup>3</sup>	ASTM D 6768	200,000 ft <sup>2</sup> (20,000 m <sup>2</sup> )	30 lbs/in (53 N/cm) MARV
GCL Peel Strength <sup>3</sup>	ASTM D 6496	40,000 ft <sup>2</sup> (4,000 m <sup>2</sup> )	3.5 lbs/in (6.1 N/cm) min
GCL Hydraulic Conductivity <sup>4</sup>	ASTM D 6766	Annually	1 x 10 <sup>-8</sup> cm/sec max. with 0.05 M CaCl <sub>2</sub> (2,000 mg/L Ca <sup>2+</sup> )
GCL Hydrated Internal Shear Strength <sup>5</sup>	ASTM D 5321 ASTM D 6243	Periodic	500 psf (24 kPa) typ @ 200 psf

***Continuum ST contains a Bentonite Polymer Alloy (BPA) produced using a proprietary process where the monomer and clay are mixed in a slurry and polymerized together, for improved chemical resistance against many aggressive leachates. Site-specific compatibility testing is recommended.***

### Notes

<sup>1</sup> Bentonite property tests performed at a bentonite processing facility before shipment to CETCO's GCL production facilities.

<sup>2</sup> Bentonite mass/area reported at 0 percent moisture content.

<sup>3</sup> All tensile strength testing is performed in the machine direction using ASTM D 6768. All peel strength testing is performed using ASTM D 6496. Upon request, tensile and peel results can be reported per modified ASTM D 4632 using 4 inch grips.

<sup>4</sup> Index flux and permeability testing with 0.05 M CaCl<sub>2</sub> (2,000 mg/l Ca<sup>2+</sup>) at 80 psi (551kPa) cell pressure, 77 psi (531 kPa) headwater pressure and 75 psi (517 kPa) tailwater pressure without prehydration. The test should be run until equilibrium is reached per ASTM D 6766. Site specific hydraulic conductivity testing is recommended.

<sup>5</sup> Peak values measured at 200 psf (10 kPa) normal stress for a specimen hydrated for 48 hours. Site-specific materials, GCL products, and test conditions must be used to verify internal and interface strength of the proposed design.

*CETCO has developed an edge enhancement system that eliminates the need to use additional granular sodium bentonite within the overlap area of the seams. We call this edge enhancement, SuperGroove™, and it comes standard on both longitudinal edges of Continuum ST. It should be noted that SuperGroove™ does not appear on the end-of-roll overlaps and recommend the continued use of supplemental bentonite for all end-of-roll seams.*

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