

## **Q37 Green Roofs**

To be read with Preliminaries/General conditions

### **GENERAL**

#### **130 EXTENSIVE GREEN ROOF**

- Roof type: Lightweight Roof Solution 1
  - Substrate: \_\_\_\_
- Slope: 1-5°
- Waterproofing: See clause \_\_\_\_
- Thermal insulation: \_\_\_\_
- Protection: RMS 300, see clause 330
- Drainage Layer: FKD 25, see clause 350
- Growing medium: Substrate Type L, see clause 390
  - Depth: 30 litres/m<sup>2</sup>
- Vegetation: Pre-cultivated Sedum Mat, see clause 400
- Accessories: Edge Trims, Inspection Chambers, vegetation barriers, see clauses 420,430,440
- Water for irrigation to be provided on site during initial establishment period

### **PERFORMANCE**

#### **210 GENERAL DESIGN**

Green roof and associated features: Complete the detailed design.

Proposals: Submit drawings, technical information, calculations and manufacturers' literature.

Performance criteria: As per manufacturers instructions.

#### **250 CHARACTERISTIC ROOF LOADS**

Roof structure:

- Allowance for additional loads during construction:
- Requirement: Restrict site activities to ensure that design loads are not exceeded, or submit proposals for temporary supports

#### **255 CHARACTERISTIC ROOF LOADS**

Dead loads:

- Roof structure, screed and waterproofing: To be advised by structural engineer.
- Green roof layers:

Imposed roof loads:

- Activity: To be advised by structural engineer
- Vegetation: Included in Green roof layers
- Allowance for additional loads during construction: To be advised by structural engineer

Service loads: To be advised by structural engineer

- Long term dynamic wind loads: To be advised by structural engineer

Snow loads: To be advised by structural engineer

Other loads: To be advised by structural engineer

Requirement: Restrict site activities to ensure that design loads are not exceeded, or submit proposals for temporary support.

## PRODUCTS

### 330 PROTECTION LAYER

Manufacturer: Optigreen Ltd, 235 Old Marylebone Road, London, NW1 5QT,  
Tel. 0203 589 9400

- Product Reference: Optigreen Separation and Protection Mat RMS 300
- Material: Recycled Synthetic Fibre
- Thickness: Approx. 3.6 mm
- Water storage: Approx. 2 litres/m<sup>2</sup>

### 350 DRAINAGE LAYER

Manufacturer: Optigreen Ltd, 235 Old Marylebone Road, London, NW1 5QT,  
Tel. 0203 589 9400

- Product Reference: Optigreen Drainage Board Type FKD 25
- Material: Recycled HDPE
- Depth: 25 mm
- Water Storage: Approx. 5 litres/m<sup>2</sup>

### 390 GROWING MEDIUM

Manufacturer: Optigreen Ltd, 235 Old Marylebone Road, London, NW1 5QT,  
Tel. 0203 589 9400

- Product Reference: Optigreen Extensive Substrate Type L
- Material: Crushed mineral material
  - Depth: 30 litres/m<sup>2</sup>
- Declaration of analysis: Submit
- Parameters: According to current FLL/GRO-Guidelines

### 400 VEGETATION BLANKET

Manufacturer: Optigreen Ltd, 235 Old Marylebone Road, London, NW1 5QT,  
Tel. 0203 589 9400

- Product Reference: Optigreen Sedum Mat Type S/F
- Planting Mix: At least 5-7 Sedum species, with minor parts of grass and herbs
- Thickness: Approx. 15 - 20 mm
- Vegetation coverage (minimum): 75 % according to current FLL-Guidelines

### 420 RETAINING PROFILE

Manufacturer: Optigreen Ltd, 235 Old Marylebone Road, London, NW1 5QT,  
Tel. 0203 589 9400

- Product Reference: OPTIGREEN Edge Trim ZP 80
- Material: Aluminium
- Thickness: 1 mm
- Height: 80 mm

### 430 INSPECTION CHAMBERS

- Manufacturer: Optigreen Ltd, 235 Old Marylebone Road, London, NW1 5QT,  
Tel. 0203 589 9400

- Product Reference: Optigreen Triangle Inspection Chamber ABS
- Material: ABS-plastic
- Size: 350x350 mm
- Depth: 100 mm (Additional 100 mm sections available, as required, to suit build up)
- Cover: Lockable

- Features: Side panels and cover with drainage slots

#### 440 VEGETATION BARRIER

- Manufacturer: Optigreen Ltd, 235 Old Marylebone Road, London, NW1 5QT, Tel. 0203 589 9400
- Product Reference: 20-40 mm pebbles
- Material: Pebbles
- Width: 300 mm
- Depth: 80 mm

#### 450 FERTILISER

- Manufacturer: Optigreen Ltd, 235 Old Marylebone Road, London, NW1 5QT Tel. 0203 589 9400
- Product Reference: Optigreen Opticote Slow Release Fertiliser
- Application rate: 50 g/m<sup>2</sup>

### EXECUTION

#### 750 PROTECTION LAYER INSTALLATION

- Extent: Continuous over designated roof area
- Joints: Without joints
  - Overlaps (minimum): 100 mm
  - Upstands: Extend to top of growing medium/vegetation barrier

#### 770 DRAINAGE LAYER INSTALLATION

- Extent: Continuous over designated roof area
- Fitting: Loose laid
- Overlaps (minimum): 1-2 corrugations
- Upstands: Fit closely around penetrations
- Cut out around outlets

#### 790 GROWING MEDIUM INSTALLATION

- Extent: Continuous over designated roof area
- Handling: Minimize
- Conditions: Do not handle when frozen
- Depth: as stated in clause 390
- Level according to the depth required

#### 800 VEGETATION BLANKET INSTALLATION

- Extent: Continuous over designated roof area

##### Handling blankets:

- Timing: Lay within 36 hours of lifting from growing position.
- Excessive stacking: Not permitted
- Material loss: 3-10% of total surface area
- Growing medium condition: Watered

##### Laying blankets:

- Level growing medium thoroughly before laying the blankets
- Lay manually, always 2 persons per mat required
- Dry, damaged, frosty or waterlogged blankets: Do not lay
- Orientation: Diagonal or perpendicular to slope of roof
- Joints: Stagger. Butt together to prevent gaps. Do not stretch blankets.

- Edges: Finish with whole blankets
- Consolidation: Firm as laying proceeds to ensure full contact with the growing medium. Do not use rollers.
- Dressing: Brush in to fill joints
- Watering: Thorough, immediately after laying until entire build-up is water saturated (30 litres/m<sup>2</sup>).
- Subsequent watering: 2-3 times with 30 litres/m<sup>2</sup>, thereafter keep moist until fully rooted in

#### 820 EDGE RETAINING PROFILE INSTALLATION

- Cutting: Neat, accurate
- Junctions: Vertical, secured using proprietary connectors
- Position: True to line and level. Smooth continuous lines
- Fixing: TBA by waterproofing manufacturer

#### 830 INSPECTION CHAMBER INSTALLATION

- Location: Install centrally over drain outlet
- Orientation: Align parallel with adjacent features
- Surround: As clause 440

#### 840 GRAVEL INSTALLATION

- Extent: Continuous along all edges and around roof penetrations and outlets at a minimum of 300 mm wide. Where installed as preventive fire protection (around all types of openings such as skylights, doors, etc.) at a minimum of 500 mm wide. On large roof areas, install a fire break every 40 metres at a minimum of 1 m wide.
- Depth: as stated in clause 440
- Level according to the depth required

#### 840A FERTILISER APPLICATION

- Spread evenly before or after vegetation application
- Frequency: Once annually as required

### **COMPLETION**

#### 910 INSPECTION

- Timing: Before handover.
- Give Notice (minimum) 3 days

#### 920 COMPLETION

- General: Leave the works in a clean, tidy condition.
- Surfaces: Clean immediately before handover.
- Outlets: Clean and clear of obstructions.
- Completed green roof: Protect from adjacent or high level working.

#### 930 DOCUMENTATION

- Timing: Submit at handover.
- Contents:
  - Growing medium declaration of analysis.
  - Manufacturers' guarantees and warranties.

- Procedures for maintenance of the green roof.
- Record drawings showing the location of planting and associated features.
- Number of copies: As required.

#### 940 COMPLETION CARE AND MAINTENANCE

- Period: Completion Care phase lasts for 12 – 15 months after installation. After the agreed contract period, the ongoing maintenance of the green roof becomes the responsibility of the building owner.
- Frequency: Twice annually
- Weeding: Removal of undesired growth
- Watering: As required, depending on weather
- Remove dead leaves and any debris.
- Cutting: Mowing or strimming as required
- Re-seeding or re-planting of any bare areas including additional substrate where required
- Fertilise: Optigreen Opticote as clause 840
- Removal of plant growth from borders, gravel areas and paved areas
- Clean gutters, control chambers and roof outlets
- Water for irrigation to be provided on site