

Installation Guidelines

VB-250 & VB-350 & VB-475

Products



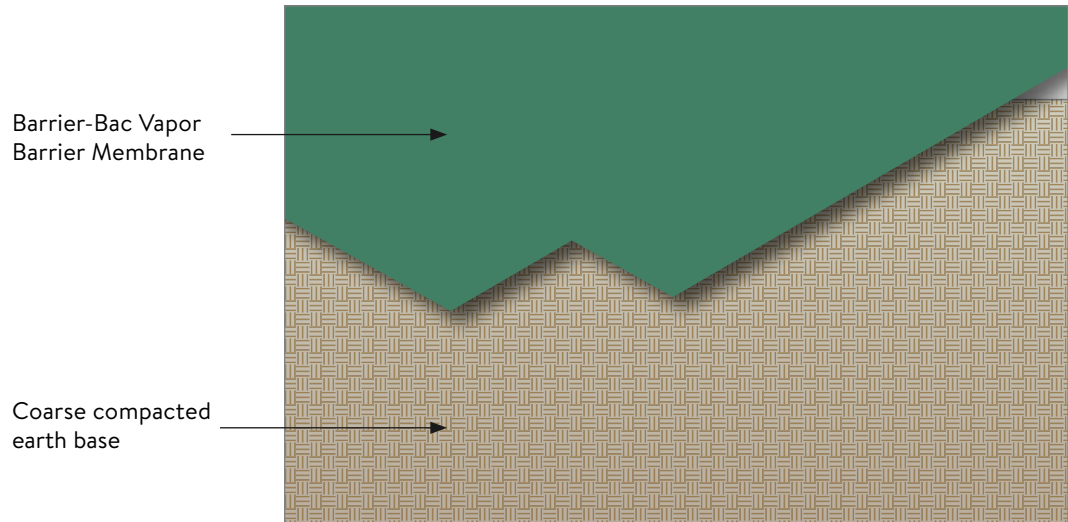
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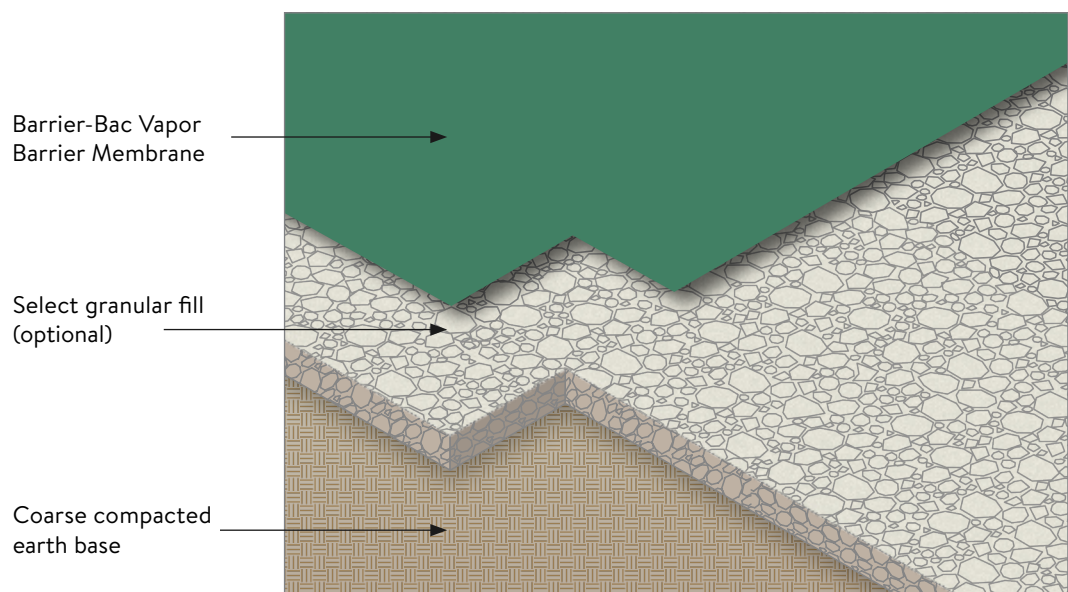
Step 1A: Ground Surface Preparation—Earth Base

Select the suitable Barrier-Bac product (VB-250, VB-350, or VB-475) and ensure the installation surface is relatively smooth. Barrier-Bac should be unrolled to completely cover the pour area.



Step 1B: Ground Surface Preparation—Aggregate Base

Although Barrier-Bac products are extremely tough, installation is easier and more effective when done over a smooth base. It is optional to have a layer of granular fill under the Barrier-Bac.



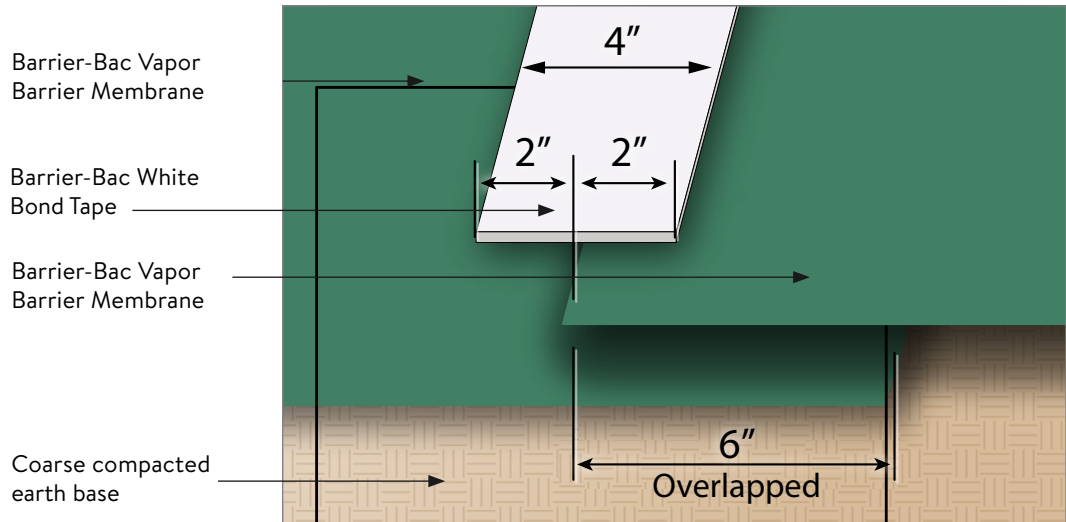


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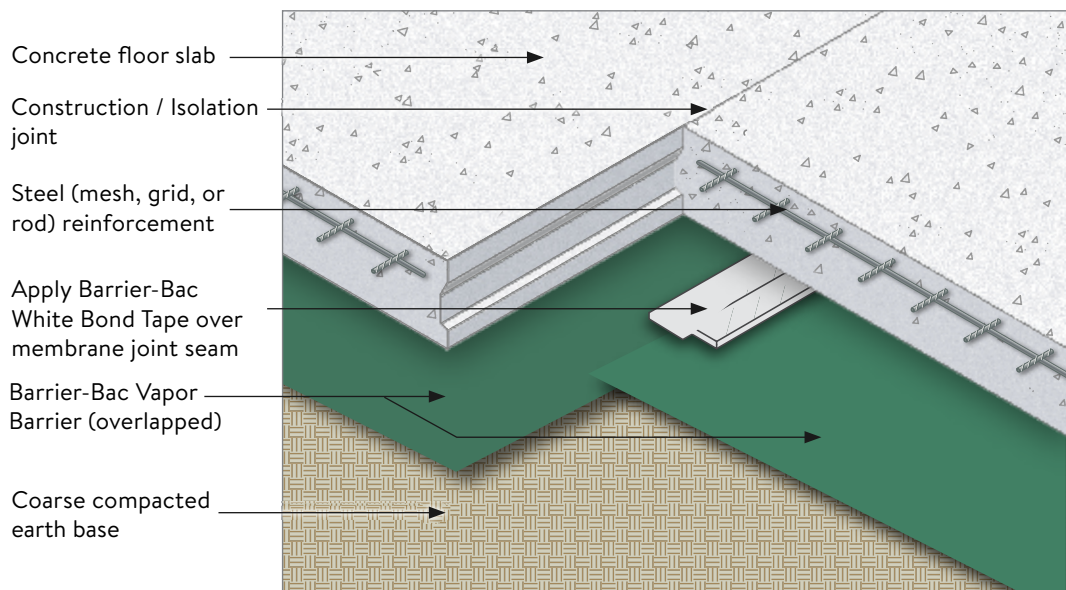
Step 2: Unroll, Overlap And Tape The Seam

Seams and/or joints can be joined using Barrier-Bac White Bond Tape. The film should be overlapped six inches side-to-side and end-to-end.



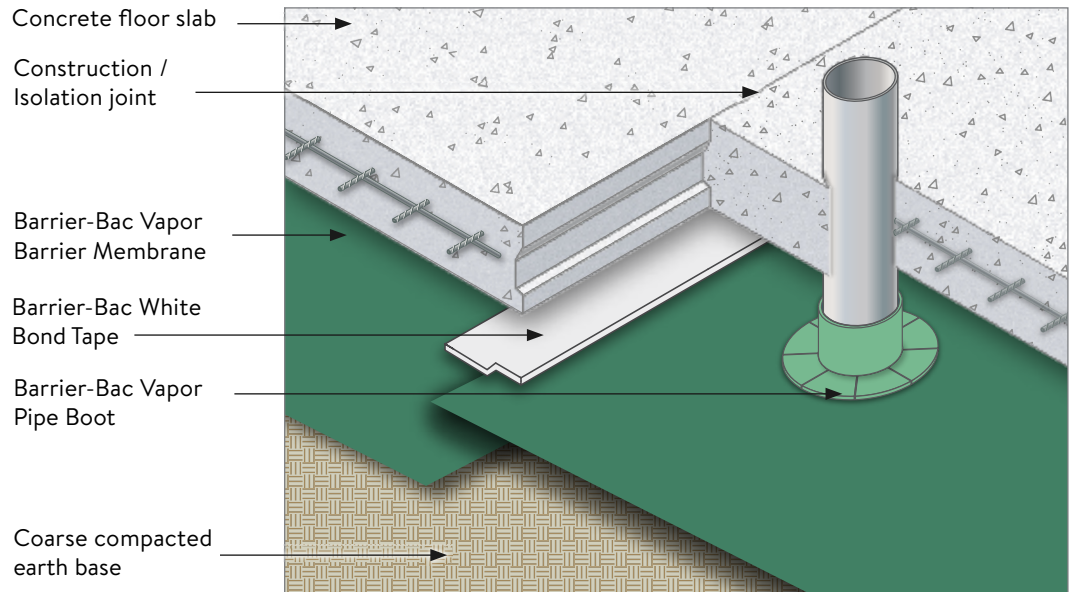
Step 3: Pour The Concrete

Inspect all seams, penetration and damaged areas and make sure they are well sealed or patched. (See Step 7 & 8: Seal Penetrations and Step 9: Patch Damage) After seal all penetrations and patch all damaged areas, pour the concrete on top of Barrier-Bac Vapor Barrier

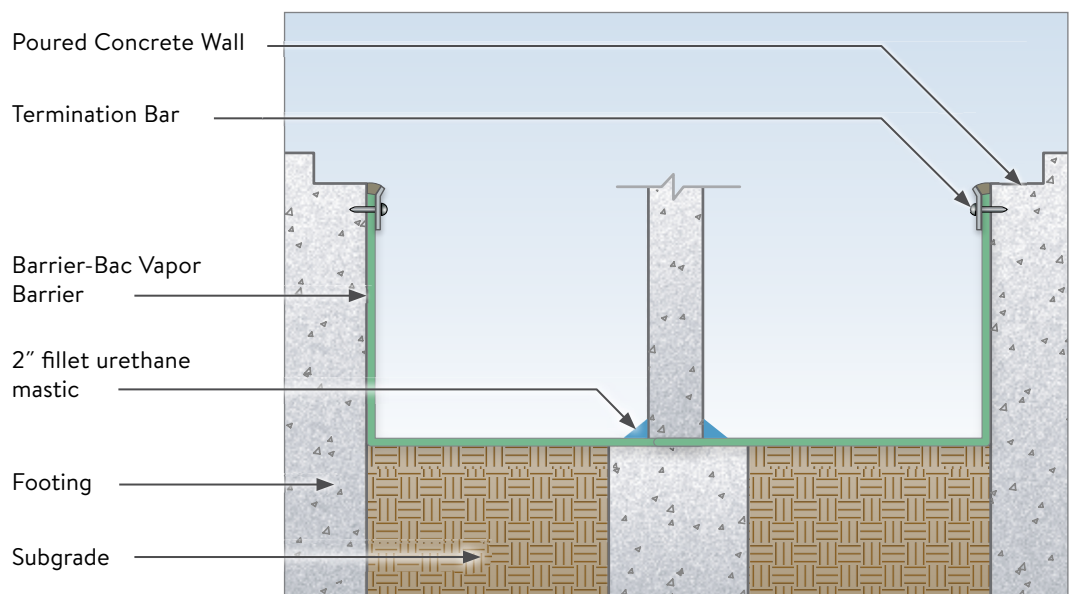


Step 4: Pipe Penetration Details

See the details about making pipe boots at Step 7: Seal Penetrations. For square penetrations, see Step 8: Square Penetrations

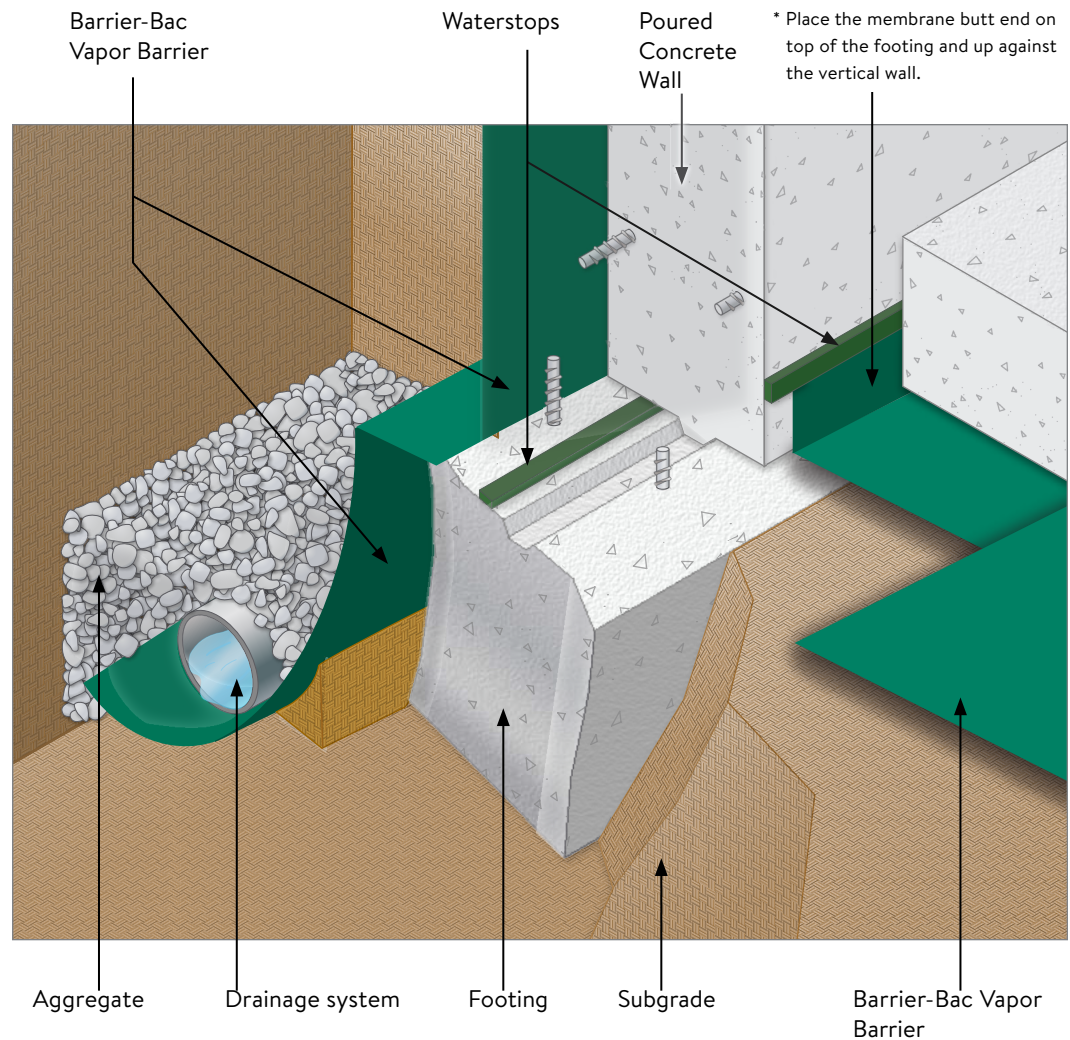


Step 5: Barrier-Bac Crawl Space Detail



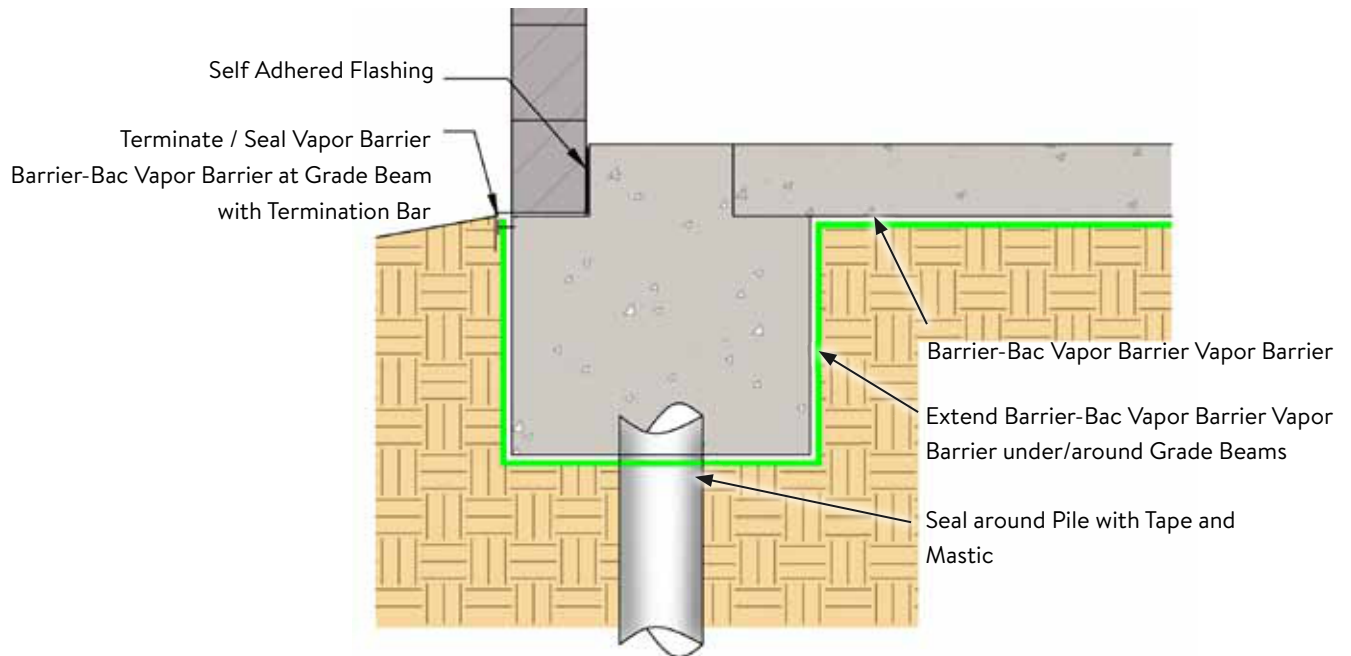
Step 6: On Top of The Footing

When vertical wall is involved, please place the membrane butt end on top of the footing and up against the vertical wall. This placement method will provide the needed protection from outside moisture following construction completion.



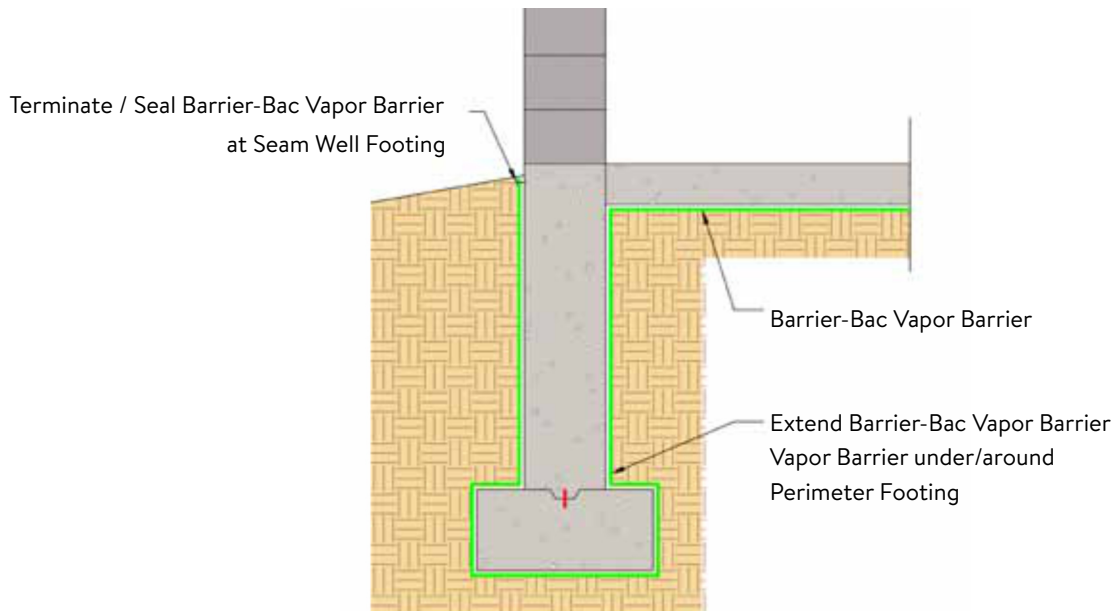
Step 7-1: Barrier-Bac Vapor Barrier Encapsulation at Grade Beam

Extend Barrier-Bac Vapor Barrier under / around Grade Beams



Step 7-2: Barrier-Bac Vapor Barrier Encapsulation at Footing

Extend Barrier-Bac Vapor Barrier under / around Perimeter Footing

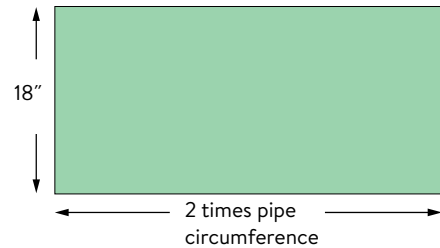


Step 8: Seal Penetrations—Round Penetrations With Pipe Boot

All penetrations must be sealed with the Barrier-Bac Vapor Barrier Seam Tape. For round pipe or posts, please seal penetrations with Pipe Boot.

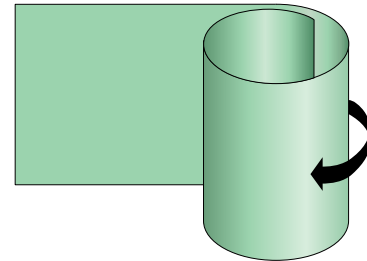
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Measure a piece of Barrier-Bac Vapor Retarder membrane 18 inches in width and twice (two times) the circumference of the pipe.



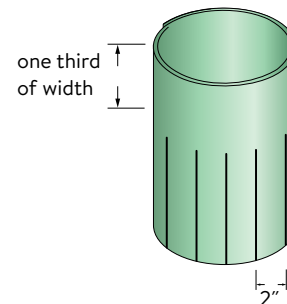
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Roll the measured piece of membrane in a roll form approximately the size of pipe.



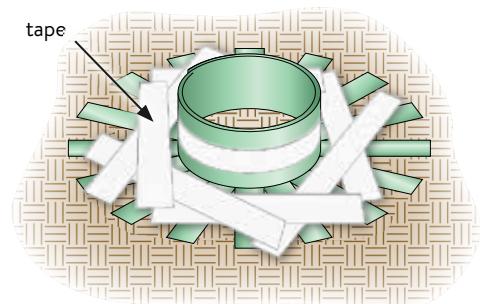
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Flatten sized roll and make vertical cuts to approximately one-third of the width and two inches apart.



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Open boot and wrap snugly around pipe, spreading cuts around base so strips lay horizontal to base. Tape around pipe circumference at top of boot, down side seam of boot and all two inch horizontal strips. Cover all seams of membrane with White Bond tape.



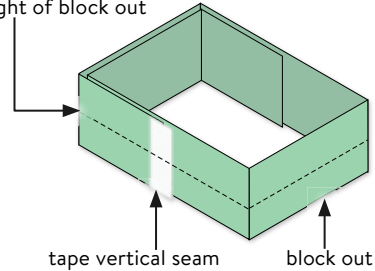
Step 9: Seal Penetrations—Square Penetrations With Block Out

All penetrations must be sealed with the Barrier-Bac Vapor Barrier White Bond Tape. For square posts, please seal penetrations with Block Out Seaming Methods.

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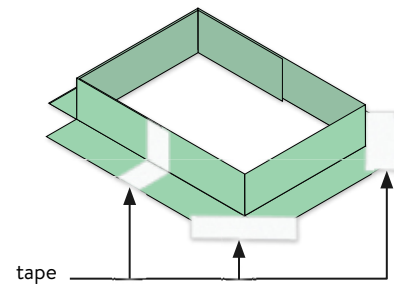
Cut a piece of Barrier-Bac Vapor Barrier Membrane twice the height and one and one-half the length of the perimeter of the Block Out. Wrap membrane around Block Out and temporarily tape vertical seam.

cut corners approximately half the height of block out



2

Make cuts in each of the four corners approximately half the height of the Block Out. Remove formed Block Out membrane form, flip over and replace on Block Out spreading flaps to horizontal position. Tape all flaps securely with Barrier-Bac White Bond Tape.

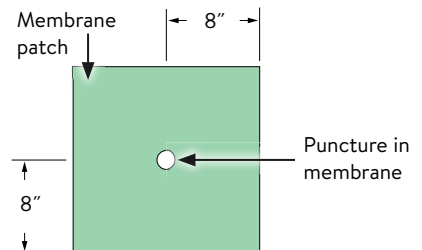


Step 10: Patch Damages

All damages to the film must be sealed prior to pouring. Patch all damaged areas with Barrier-Bac Vapor Barrier Products and White Bond Tape.

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Cut a piece of Barrier-Bac Vapor Barrier in a square large enough so sides of patch extend eight inches from side of puncture.



2

Cover damaged portion with membrane patch and secure all patch seams with Barrier-Bac White Bond Tape.

