

# **Technical Data**

## **GroundBreaker**<sup>TM</sup>

# Foundation and Insulation Protection Liner



## Nudo GroundBreaker™ Technical Data

Nudo GroundBreaker<sup>TM</sup> is a fiberglass reinforced plastic (FRP) barrier that provides complete protection for the foundation and insulation on all types of homes and buildings. GroundBreaker<sup>TM</sup> safeguards the foundation from hazards such as lawn mowers, weed trimmers, insects, and moisture.

Physical Properties: Table 1					
Typical Value					
Property	.060"	Measure	Test Method		
Surface Burn Test	Class C	N/A	ASTM E84		
Smoke Development	≤450	N/A	ASTM E84		
Flame Spread Index	≤ 200	N/A	ASTM E84		
Flexural Strength	25,000	psi	ASTM D790		
Flexural Modulus	9.0 X 10 <sup>5</sup>	psi	ASTM D790		
Tensile Strength	8,500	psi	ASTM D638		
Tensile Modulus	7 X 10 <sup>5</sup>	psi	ASTM D638		
Elongation	1.20	9/0	ASTM D638		
Water Absorption	0.17	72hrs. @21° C	ASTM D570		
Izod Impact	7	FT-lbs/in.	ASTM D256		
Coefficient of Linear	2.22X10 <sup>-5</sup>	500/ Hamilia Tama 2200	ASTM D696		
Thermal Expansion	2.22X10 °	50% Humidity Temp -23°C			
Barcol Hardness	30	Average	ASTM D2583		
Specific Gravity	1.512	N/A	ASTM D792		
Abrasive Resistance	0.293	% Weight Loss Taber			

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Physical Properties: Table 2						
Part Number	Nominal Panel	Nominal Panel	Color	Size		
Identifier	Thickness	Weight	Coloi			
GB-1	.060"	0.38# psf	Gray	1'X50'		
GB-2	.060"	0.38# psf	Gray	2'X50'		
GB-4	.060"	0.38# psf	Gray	4'X50'		

#### **COMPOSITION:**

• Fiberglass and calcium carbonate-filled polyester resin.

## FINISHED PANEL QUALITY:

- The front side shall be embossed with a pebble type finish (embossed finished) or the panels shall have a wear side with a smooth finish (smooth). Colors shall be throughout the panel and manufactured as specified.
- The backside shall be smooth. Backside imperfections which do not affect functional properties are not cause for rejection.
- Physical properties shall be set forth in Table 1.
- Product quality standards shall be set for in Nudo Product, Inc. Quality Control Procedures/Standards which are available upon request.
- Dimensions shall be specified on purchased order, subject to the following tolerances: Width:  $\pm 1/8$ " (3.2 mm) Length:  $\pm 1/8$ " (3.2 mm) Squareness: not more than 1/8" (3.2 mm) out of square.
- Panels shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's guidelines as set forth in the installation guide.

**CERTIFICATION:** Meets the minimum requirements of the major model building codes for Class C interior wall and ceiling finishes. Flame spread of less than 200, smoke development less than 450 per ASTM E-84.

**FABRICATING RECOMMENDATIONS:** Protect your eyes with goggles; cover your nose and mouth with a filter mask when cutting GroundBreaker. When cutting position the material so that the saw blade enters the decorative side first, to avoid chipping and damage.

# Hand Fabricating:

- Drilling high speed drill bit (60° cutting angle, with 12° 15° clearance) or hole saw.
- Cutting: 72-tooth circular saw with reinforced carborundum or carbide-tipped blade.

**STORAGE:** Nudo GroundBreaker should be stored horizontally indoors on a contiguous flat surface. Protective film should remain on the panel until installation. Panels should never be stored on the floor or an outside wall. Optimum storage conditions are 60°F (16°C) to 75°F (24°C) and 35% to 55% relative humidity.

**PRODUCT LIMITATIONS:** Nudo GroundBreaker is designed to be installed over a solid wall surface. FiberLite FRP should be installed between 60°F (16°C) to 75°F (24°C) and 35% to 55% relative humidity. Non-compliance with product limitations may affect future performance and voids warranty.



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**CLEANING INSTRUCTIONS:** Nudo GroundBreaker is easy to clean. In most cases, use a clean, damp, nonabrasive cotton cloth and a mild liquid detergent or household cleaner. Always rinse with clean water and a clean, non-abrasive cotton cloth. Dry the panels with a soft, clean, non-abrasive cotton cloth.

**DO NOT USE:** abrasive cleaners with bleach, cleaners with acid, alkali or sodium hypochlorite. They will damage and permanently discolor the surface. Be sure that bottles, rags, or other materials with these cleaners never come in contact with the surface.

Examples of harsh cleaners to avoid, include but are not limited to:

- Bleach
- Drain Cleaners
- Metal Cleaners
- Oven Cleaners

- Rust Removers
- Tub and Tile Cleaners
- Lime Scale Remover

**REMOVAL OF STAINS:** To remove stains, use full strength Fantastik, All Purpose Cleaner, Formula 409, Pine-Sol, or other mild household cleaners. Blot with clean, damp, non-abrasive cotton cloth, and rinse with cleaner water. When recommended cleaner changes its formulation, the change may be harmful to the surface. Nudo Products, Inc. cannot be held responsible for these changes. Follow all directions and warnings on the cleaner label because many are extremely flammable.

Dyes and pharmaceutical products will permanently stain the panels. These include hair dyes and rinses, silver nitrate, laundry bluing, tannic acid, povidone-iodine, dermatological tar compounds, and peroxide. To reduce these stains, apply a paste of baking soda and water on the area to pull out the stain. Do not rub, as the paste will be slightly abrasive. Wipe up the past with a clean, damp, nonabrasive cotton cloth, and rinse with clean water.

Stains that are stubborn or even permanent and may not disappear include: wood stains, cash register inks, newsprint, marking pen inks, indelible ink, food pricing ink, and label inks.

Stubborn stains that may disappear on their own after a short time or after repeated cleaning include food stains, glass rings, water marks, coffee, and tea stains.

FLAME SPREAD AND SMOKE DEVELOPMENT RATINGS: The numerical flame spread, and smoke development ratings are not intended to reflect hazards presented by Nudo Product, Inc. products or any other material under actual fire conditions. These rating are determined by small-scale tests conducted by Underwriters Laboratories and other independent testing facilities using the American Society for Testing and Materials E-84 test standards (commonly referred to as the "Tunnel-Test"). NUDO PRODUCTS, INC PROVIDES THESE RATING FOR MATERIAL COMPARISION PURPOSES ONLY. Like other organic building materials, (e.g. wood), panels made up of composite material will burn. When ignited, it may produce dense smoke very rapidly. All smoke is toxic. Fire safety requires proper design of facilities and fire suppression systems, as well as precautions during construction and occupancy. Local codes, insurance requirements and any special needs of the product user will determine the correct fire-rated interior finish and fire suppression system necessary for a specific installation.

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