E’GRID® GT
Pavement Reinforcement

RESISTANCE TO ULTRA VIOLET LIGHT:
Excellent resistance due to the high level of carbon content. Resistance to UV is given to E’GRID® Biaxial Geogrids by the incorporation of weathering-grade carbon black, well dispersed in the polymer matrix, to give extended lives in exposed conditions.

CHEMICAL AND BIOLOGICAL RESISTANCE:
E’GRID® Biaxial Geogrids are manufactured from Polypropylene which is unaffected by chemicals such as acids, alkalis and salts, normally found in soils. Also it is not a nutrient therefore unaffected by micro-organisms found in soil.

PLACEMENT:
Certain building sites require access to heavy construction vehicles such as cranes and drill rigs. Their tracks can exert ground pressures in excess of 400kPa. The use of rigid geogrids such as E Grid® 3030 performs the same function as in the case of road pavement with the exception the load is more concentrated. The granular fill is substituted with rock to suit the aperture of the grid (40mm to 60mm) without fines initially. This forces the geogrid to lay flat. The more angular the rock is the better the locking, the greater shear strength and bearing capacity.

The geogrid layer is placed at the interface of the low CBR sub-base and the proposed platform. If the interface is below the water table, a filtration geotextile is placed first followed by the geogrid layer. The rock layer 200mm – 500mm is then placed uncompacted. The surface can then be blinded with finer material and compacted or in the case this layer becomes the drainage blanket, a geotextile is used followed by a finer soil.

Rigid geogrids behave differently to geotextiles even with similar or greater tensile strengths. Geotextiles transmit stresses to the soil through friction. They do not interlock with the aggregate the same way as a rigid geogrid with the apertures. For geotextiles to provide reinforcement they must go into tension (Tension Membrane Effect) and for this to occur requires large deformation and fixed wheel paths. This is difficult to control and design; as a result the only function it achieves is separation.

The transmission of stress between soil and geogrid is obtainable only if the geogrid is rigid and integral. A woven geogrid constructed of high tensile polymer strands can hardly develop this function, as the structure is not integral and the transversal ribs can move along the longitudinal ribs without developing any interlocking effect.

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E’GRID® SGTX
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E’Grid® GT is a geocomposite comprising of a biaxial geogrid laminated to a nonwoven geotextile. Polymer: Polypropylene Geogrid (PP) and geotextile Polyester (PET) or Polypropylene (PP).

The use of E’ Grid® and Geotextile Geocomposite provide the following benefits:

✓ Distribution of loads and therefore reducing stress concentration over the soil.
✓ The geogrids structural junctions, the rigid ribs and the thick walls help lock aggregate, increasing its shear resistance. As a result when a vertical load is applied the aggregate is restrained by the ribs reducing deformation. (Lateral Restraint)
✓ Decrease in long term deformation. (Creep)
✓ Increase in load distribution. (Bearing Capacity Increase)

APPLICATIONS:
E’Grid® Biaxial Geogrid Composites are used in applications where separation, filtration and reinforcement are required. E’GRID Geogrid Composites are used in specific applications and when used in the optimal manner reduce pavement depth so that the cost benefit ratio is maximised.

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Geotexile Characteristics
Polyfabrics C1, B1 & A1 (refer to Spec Sheet)

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