

# Certificate of acceptance of a geosynthetic material

Product: StrataGrid SGU20. SGU35, SGU40, SGU55, SGU60, SGU80,

SGU100, SGU110, SGU120, SGU150, SGU180, SGU200, SGU250, SGU300, SGU350, SGU400

SGB20, SGB30, SGB40, SGB50, SGB60, SGB65,

SGB80, SGB100

Expiry date: 13/07/2026 subject to the conditions of expiry of

certificate below

## **Certificate history**

Certificate	Issue no.	Date	Issue history
no.			
1	4	04/12/2018	Resubmission accepted for use. Updated ISO.
	5	22/07/2019	Testing facility removed from certificate
	6	18/03/2020	Resubmission accepted for use. Change in product
			naming convention and new coating material.
	7	09/08/2022	Updated ISO certificate for India manufacturing plant
	8	05/04/2023	Renewal accepted for use.

#### Manufacturer

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## **Product description**

StrataGrid geogrid products are made from a high tenacity knitted polyester (PET) fibre with a Styrene Butadiene Rubber based coating. This product is designed for reinforcement of walls, slopes and embankments on soft soils, road foundations and supporting structures, fills and slopes.

#### **Product appearance**



### **Material properties**

Refer to appended StrataGrid SGU range and SGB range data sheets.

#### **Packaging**

The manufacturer shall identify each roll of product with the manufacturer's name and plant, product specification number, grade and batch identification, date code, and nominal dimensions. Labels shall be permanently fixed to each roll.

The manufacturer shall furnish complete written instructions for the storage, handling and installation of the product with the conditions of this warranty.

#### Basis and scope of acceptance

Review of the Cirtex submission dated 22 November 2019 and additional information provided 5 April 2023.

#### Scope of acceptance

The products above are accepted for use on Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency's projects within the defined scope of acceptance and any specific conditions of this certificate. Failure to abide by the certificate requirements may lead to the Transport Agency's acceptance and the certificate becoming invalid.

This acceptance is issued in accordance with clause 6.8.1 of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Edition of the Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency's Bridge Manual and applies only to product sourced from the stated manufacturer.

This acceptance excludes any mechanically stabilised walls facing systems and connection between the facing system and the composite geotextile. Facing systems and connections, where applicable, shall be specifically designed on a project by project basis.

This acceptance relates to the StrataGrid SGU and SGB products only when used on Waka Kotahi projects for the specific use mentioned in the type of acceptance stated below. It does not remove the requirement for detailed design of the product.

#### Type of acceptance

Accepted for specific use: Soil reinforcement Accepted for provisional use Not accepted / rejected

#### Product details supplied with the manufacturer / supplier's submission

Refer to appended StrataGrid SGU range and SGB range data sheets.

#### **Specific Conditions of Use**

- 1. Users of the product are responsible for ensuring compliance with the certificate conditions. If a condition is not understood, guidance should be sought from the Transport Agency
- 2. The supplier shall provide product specifications and user manuals to purchasers / users of the product
- 3. The supplier shall notify the Transport Agency within 20 working days of any deficiencies affecting the product quality, functionality and safety integrity (including corrective actions undertaken or proposed)
- 4. The supplier shall notify the Transport Agency within 20 working days of any intended change of the certified product including but not limited to:
  - a change of the product configuration (to the actual product or its application)
  - a variation to or addition of manufacturing locations or process
  - a change in the name or ownership of the manufacturing company.
- 5. Renewal of this certificate will be required if product specifications, product parameters, manufacturing standards or the manufacturer / supplier of the product change
- 6. Users receiving this product are responsible for ensuring that it is fit for purpose and that application of use complies with the scope of the Transport Agency's acceptance
- 7. Anyone aware of any defect of the certified product (manufacture fault or any other defect) should notify the supplier immediately and the Transport Agency in writing within 10 working days
- 8. Anyone becoming aware of a change to the product configuration (to the actual product or its application) and a variation to or addition of manufacturing locations or processes, should inform the Transport Agency in writing within 10 working days
- 9. This acceptance is given for the specified product and its use as specified in the product configuration section of this certificate only
- 10. The product must be used / installed in accordance with the product installation specifications and relevant Transport Agency specifications. Where there is discrepancy between the product manual(s) and the Transport Agency specifications and standards, the users must notify the Transport Agency and seek resolution
- 11. Reference to this acceptance certificate should be given in project drawings and specifications.

#### **Construction Quality Assurance Requirements**

Installers must ensure that they are familiar with relevant conditions, requirements and limitations of the product.

Verification of conformance of geosynthetics delivered to the Transport Agency's project site with the manufacturer / supplier's specifications and the geosynthetics' parameters advised by the manufacturer / supplier is the contractor's responsibility. Procedures specified in *ASTM D4759* 

Standard practice for determining the specification conformance of geosynthetics can be used for this purpose.

The users shall review and verify submittals and sample information from the supplier. The users shall proceed with ordering the product only after the submittals have been reviewed.

The product delivered to the site shall be visually inspected by the users to check that the delivered product complies with the product description given in supplier's submittals and that labelling on the product confirms this. If changes in the product occur prior to the acceptance of the product by the user, the product shall be tested and evaluated with respect to the requirements of the contract documents. Product not meeting the requirements shall be removed from the site and replaced.

The manufacturer shall certify the quality of the rolls of the product. As a minimum, the manufacturer shall provide quality control certificates for each batch of product and each shift's production. These quality control certificates shall be signed by an officer of the manufacturer and provided to the user at least three weeks prior to the installation of the product.

The quality control certificate shall include:

- roll numbers and identification
- sampling procedures
- result of quality control tests, including a description of test methods used.

#### **Expiry of Acceptance**

This acceptance expires on 13 July 2026 and replaces any previous acceptance.

The current ISO9001:2015 certification for Strata Geosystems India Pvt Ltd (manufacturing plant) expires on **29 July 2025**. This acceptance expires for this plant and for product manufactured after the expiry date unless the certificate is renewed and provided to the Transport Agency.

The accepted product must not be deployed on state highway projects after the expiry date of acceptance unless a further period of acceptance is granted, or the product has been formally included in relevant Transport Agency specifications. Failure to submit a renewal as required will void the product from the Transport Agency's accepted product list.

Should the Transport Agency discover that information on material composition and properties (including test data), manufacturing and quality assurance procedures or any other material information supplied with the submission were flawed, or that in–service performance of the product reveals unacceptable problems, or that the product being supplied and / or marketed differs significantly from the product that was approved, it reserves the right, at any time, to modify or revoke its acceptance of the product.

Authorised by the Lead Advisor Structures Transport Services Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency