



Liquid Roofing and Waterproofing Association

# Leading the Way in Liquid Roofing and Waterproofing

## Background to the Association

Founded in 1979, the Liquid Roofing & Waterproofing Association aims to raise awareness of the technical and financial benefits of specifying liquid-applied waterproofing systems and to establish product and installation standards to ensure that optimum performance is achieved. To this end LRWA was involved in the preparation of European Technical Approvals as the official industry body in conjunction with the British Board of Agreement and the European Organisation for Technical Approvals.

LRWA members are devoted to best industry practice. With the aim of supplying and applying systems to a client's full satisfaction, advice can be obtained either centrally or from individual member firms.



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# A Resource for Contractors...

## Who are the LRWA?

The Liquid Roofing and Waterproofing Association (LRWA) consists of the leading manufacturers of liquid applied membranes, approved contractors and related materials suppliers.

The LRWA aims to be a collective voice for the Liquid Waterproofing industry, giving you guidance towards industry standards and best practice, as well as explaining how you can gain access to the association's wealth of knowledge.

## Our Members

- **Membrane Manufacturers** - Manufacturers and wholly owned subsidiaries of liquid applied waterproofing in the UK
- **Associates** – Manufacturers of ancillary components in the roofing system such as thermal and acoustic insulation, adhesives, green roofs components and rooflights
- **Contractors** - Contractors licensed or approved to receive and install the products of one or more of the manufacturer members

## Why Use an LRWA Member?

By using systems and products from an LRWA member you are assured of getting quality products and services as our manufacturer members offer the following:

- Quality systems in accordance with ISO 9001
- Trained technical staff to provide support both in the office and on site
- Independent product accreditation – such as BBA and ETA
- Approved Contractor schemes
- Training for Approved Contractors
- Systems with a minimum 10 year guarantee

## Why Use Liquid Waterproofing?

There are many benefits to using liquid waterproofing systems and there are literally millions of square meters to prove it!

Liquid waterproofing systems provide one of the most cost effective methods for making a new or existing roof waterproof. Correctly installed and maintained they can provide a long term life expectancy often in excess of 25 years.

Many LRWA members can offer liquid waterproofing systems for roofs, balconies, walkways and car parks, thus providing the benefit of a watertight surface that is also hard wearing.

# Available Resources...

## Specialist Apprenticeship Programme (SAP) for Liquid Waterproofing

The LRWA are committed to developing skills in the roofing industry to ensure quality liquid applicators are available throughout the UK.

The 2 year fully grant aided course, was developed with Construction Skills for applicators of any age. The course covers all aspects of roofing but with a particular emphasis on liquid applications and the technical and practical aspects of using the differing chemistries within the liquid roofing industry which include:

- Polyurethanes
- PMMA's
- Polyesters and Two pack Polyurethanes
- Glass Reinforced Plastics
- Hot Applied Polymer Modified Bitumen (Hot Melts)

## LRWA Training Centre

The LRWA worked with Briggs Amasco and Construction Skills to set up a Training Centre based at Cradley Heath (nr Birmingham) that has the facilities to accommodate the training of liquid application. This centre is available to LRWA members (subject to availability) to conduct contractor training at a more centralised and convenient location.

## Technical Advisory Service: [info@lrwa.org.uk](mailto:info@lrwa.org.uk)

With a wealth of experience between our Technical Secretary and members please feel free to contact us should you require independent advice.



## Key Features of Liquid Waterproofing

- Range of liquid chemistries available to suit all roof types
- Seamless
- Cold applied systems available
- Ease and speed of installation
- Cost effective
- Compatible with most substrates and easily detailed
- Availability of elastomeric systems that can tolerate thermal movement
- Proven and guaranteed performance
- Range of specifications to suit all needs
- Range of colours and finishes

