



BITUMEN 40/60 | PENETRATION PAVING BITUMEN GRADE

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GENERAL DESCRIPTION

Bitumen Penetration Grade 40/60 is a standard penetration grade Bitumen usually used as a Paving Grade Bitumen suitable for road construction and for the production of asphalt pavements with superior properties. This grade of Bitumen is mainly used in the manufacture of hot mix asphalt for bases and wearing courses. Penetration Grade Bitumen supplied by BITUMINA GROUP is petroleum grade bitumen, manufactured from fractional / vacuum distillation of crude oil. The Bitumen supplied by BITUMINA GROUP is produced from vacuum residue (short residue) feedstock. Penetration Grade bitumens are specified by the penetration and softening point test. Designation is by penetration range only. The penetration grade bitumens have a thermoplastic property which causes the material to soften at high temperatures and to harden at lower temperatures. This unique temperature/ viscosity relationship is important when determining the performance parameters such as the adhesion, rheology, durability and application temperatures of bitumen.

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CHARACTERISTICS

BITUMINA GROUP guarantees that the Bitumen Grade 40/60 it supplies under its offers is produced in compliance to and is in conformity to European Standard DIN EN 12591:99 and meets the following specification requirements.

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SPECIFICATIONS | EUROPEAN NORM EN 12591

CHARACTERISTIC	TEST METHOD	UNIT	MIN.	MAX.
Penetration - 25°C, 100g, 5s	EN 1426	mm	40	60
Softening Point (Ring & Ball)	EN 1427	°C	48	56
Kinematic Viscosity @ 135°C	EN 12595	mm ² /s	325	-
Solubility with toluene or Xylene	EN 12592	%	99	-
Flashpoint (Cleveland Open)	EN ISO 2592	°C	230	-
Resistance to hardening at 163°C:				
- Change in mass (m/m)	EN 12607-1	%	-	0.5
- Retained Penetration 25°C, 100g, 5s (% of original)	EN 1426	%	50	-
- Increase in softening point (R&B)	EN 1427	°C	-	11

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LEGAL NOTES

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