PICP Systems Infiltration Guidelines & Testing

Interlocking Concrete Pavement Institute (ICPI) Recommendations For Testing & Maintenance:

- New installations are expected to meet a minimum infiltration rate of 100 in/hr in accordance with testing meeting ASTM C1781 testing standard.
- Test every site (every site varies) twice per year for accumulated sediment and how it affects maintaining infiltration rate of 100 in/hr.
- Check the site immediately after a rain storm if more than 20% of the surface shows ponding, check infiltration rates in these areas using ASTM C1781.

ASTM C 1781: Drain Time, Surface Infiltration Rate and Cleaning

This table indicates the relationship between the time for the water to drain and the calculated surface infiltration rate. Most PICP installations will require two or three tests on clogged areas to determine the infiltration rates. These values should be averaged and then compared to the table on the right.

If infiltration rates are below 20 inches (508 mm) per hour, the surface should be cleaned. Users of C 1781 should be advised that water will take 30 to 60 minutes to completely infiltrate; users may want to conduct other inspections for maintenance while waiting for the test to run its time course.



Seconds to Infiltrate 40 lb (18g) water	Minutes to Drain	Approximate Surface Infiltration Rate in/hr (mm/hr)		
30	0.5	1,000 (25,400)		
60	1	600 (15,240)	Okay	
100	1.7	360 (9,144)		
200	3.3	180 (4,572)		
360	6	100 (2,540)	Clean	
450	7.5	80 (2,032)	before	
900	15	40 (1,016)	it clogs	
1,800	30	20 (508)	Clean	
3,600	60	10 (254)	NOW	

SEK-Surebond's PICP Joint Stabilization Testing

PermChip & PermStik™ Infiltration Testing

Performed By: Chicago Testing Laboratory, Inc.

Test Location: St. Charles, IL

Test Date May 22, 2018

Test Standard: ASTM C1781

Pavers Used: 3.125" Pavers

Joint Infill Material: PermChip: Sunset Red, Saturn Tan, Stormy Gray &

Eclipse Black

Stabilizer: SB-1000 PermStikTM PICP Chip Stabilizer

Specifics: Testing was performed on both stabilized &

un-stabilized (loose) PermChip





Results Summary:

Both Unstabilized PermChip and **Stabilized PermChip** with **SB-1000 PermStik** tested well above minimum target of 100 in/hr infiltration rate. Both are likely to test similarly on all installations, regardless of region or circumstances, if PICP installation specifications per the ICPI are followed.



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PermChip & PermStik™ Infiltration Testing Results

Test Location (From Center of Tube to NE Corner of Respective Block System)		Location ID #	Type of Paving Unit	Pre-Wetting Time (s)	Weight of Water (lb)	Inside Infiltration Ring Diameter (in)	Time of Infiltration Test (s)	Infiltration Rate (in/hr)	
PERM CHIP UNSTABILIZED	18.90" S, 20.35" W	1	Sunset Red	12.6	39.90	11.75	55.3	663.5	
	61.15" S, 20.35" W	2	Saturn Tan	19.6	39.95	11.75	72.9	503.6	
	113.40" S, 17.15" W	3	Stormy Gray	11.2	39.95	11.75	59.8	613.9	
	146.40" S, 26.40" W	4	Eclipse Black	22.5	39.55	11.75	69.8	520.7	Okay
PERM CHIP STABILIZED*	18.60" S, 20.60" W	5*	Sunset Red	23.7	39.65	11.75	69.9	521.3	
	58.40" S, 20.60" W	6*	Saturn Tan	24.0	39.50	11.75	84.8	428.0	
	110.60" S, 16.80" W	7*	Stormy Gray	27.7	39.50	11.75	140.3	258.7	
	162.90" S, 16.80" W	8*	Eclipse Black	17.5	39.65	11.75	74.0	492.4	

^{*}Locations 5 through 8 were stabilized with SB-1000 PermStik PICP Chip Stabilizer