



# STEGOHOME® BELOW-SLAB VAPOR BARRIER/RETARDER INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

**IMPORTANT:** Please read these installation instructions completely, prior to beginning any StegoHome installation. The following installation instructions are based on ASTM E1643 - *Standard Practice for Selection, Design, Installation, and Inspection of Water Vapor Retarders Used in Contact with Earth or Granular Fill Under Concrete Slabs*. If project specifications call for compliance with ASTM E1643, then be sure to review the specific installation sections outlined in the standard along with the techniques referenced in these instructions.

## UNDER-SLAB INSTRUCTIONS:

FIGURE 1: UNDER-SLAB INSTALLATION

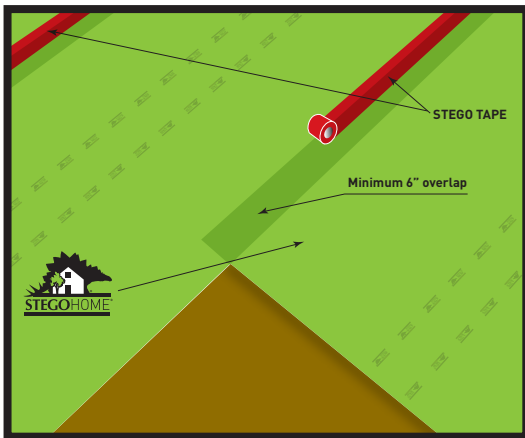


FIGURE 2a: SEAL TO SLAB AT PERIMETER

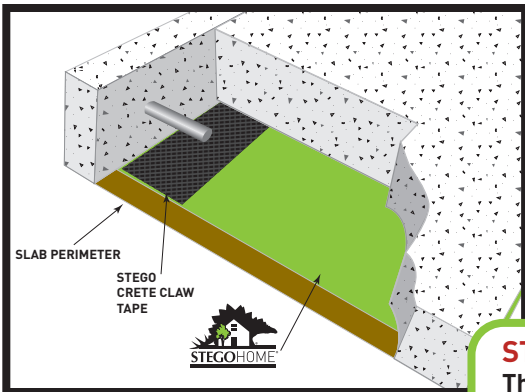
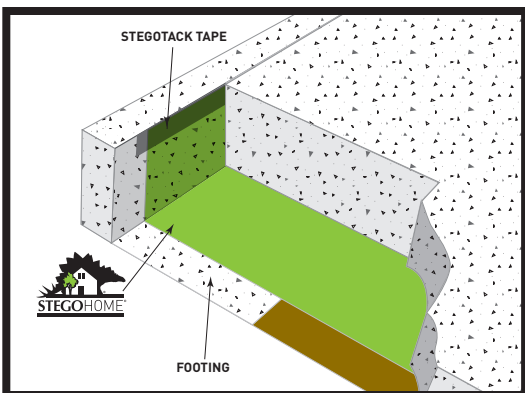


FIGURE 2b: SEAL TO PERIMETER WALL



1. StegoHome can be installed over an aggregate, sand, or tamped earth base. It is not necessary to have a cushion layer or sand base, as StegoHome is tough enough to withstand rugged construction environments.
2. Unroll StegoHome over the area where the slab is to be placed. StegoHome should completely cover the concrete placement area. All joints/seams both lateral and butt should be overlapped a minimum of 6" and taped using Stego® Tape.
 

**NOTE: The area of adhesion should be free from dust, dirt, moisture, and frost to allow maximum adhesion of the pressure-sensitive tape.**
3. ASTM E1643 requires sealing the perimeter of the slab. *Extend vapor retarder over footings and seal to foundation wall, grade beam, or slab at an elevation consistent with the top of the slab or terminate at impediments such as waterstops or dowels.* Consult the design professional of record before proceeding.

### SEAL TO SLAB AT PERIMETER:\*

**NOTE: Clean the surface of StegoHome to ensure that the area of adhesion is free from dust, dirt, moisture, and frost to allow maximum adhesion of the pressure-sensitive adhesive.**

- a. Install Stego® Crete Claw® Tape on the entire perimeter edge of StegoHome.
- b. Prior to the placement of concrete, ensure that the top of Stego Crete Claw Tape is free of dirt, debris, or mud to maximize the bond to the concrete.

### STEGO LABOR SAVER!

This method not only complies with ASTM E1643, but it also:

- reduces labor compared to other perimeter sealing techniques.
- can be used even without an existing wall or footing, unlike alternatives.

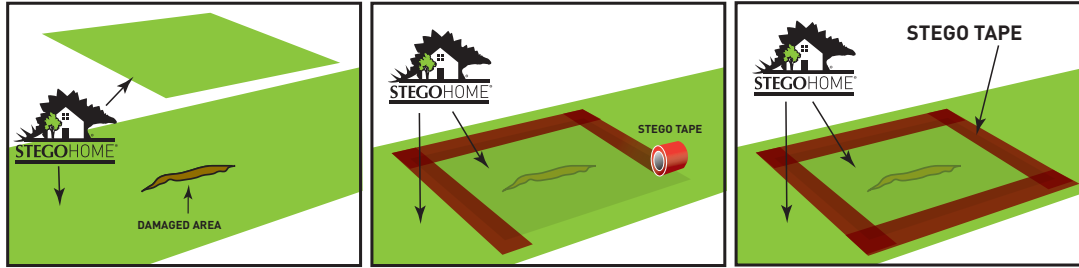
### OR SEAL TO PERIMETER WALL WITH STEGOTACK® TAPE:\*

- a. Make sure area of adhesion is free of dust, dirt, debris, moisture, and frost to allow maximum adhesion.
- b. Remove release liner on one side of StegoTack Tape and adhere firmly and consistently to the desired surface.
- c. When ready to apply StegoHome, remove the exposed release liner and press StegoHome firmly against StegoTack Tape to secure.

\* If ASTM E1643 is specified, consult with the design professional to determine which perimeter seal technique should be employed for the project.

- In the event that StegoHome is damaged during or after installation, repairs must be made. For holes, cut a piece of StegoHome to a size and shape that covers any damage by a minimum overlap of 6" in all directions. Clean all adhesion areas of dust, dirt, moisture, and frost. Tape down all edges using Stego Tape (See Figure 3).

FIGURE 3: SEALING DAMAGED AREAS

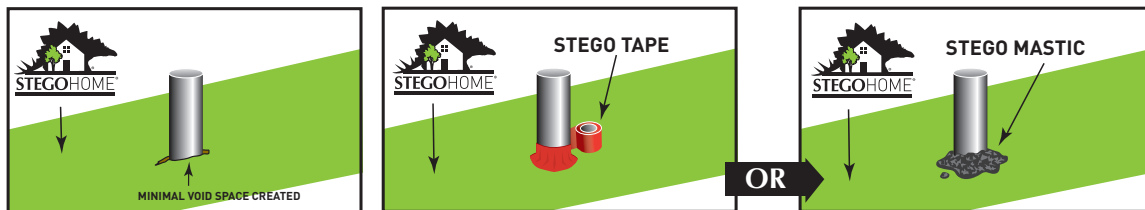


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**NOTE:** Stego Industries recommends the use of vapor barrier-safe concrete accessories, like Beast® Scream, to help minimize the amount of penetrations in a StegoHome Installation.

- IMPORTANT: ALL PENETRATIONS MUST BE SEALED.** All pipe, ducting, rebar, wire penetrations and block outs should be sealed using StegoHome, Stego Tape and/or Stego Mastic (See Figure 4a). If penetrations are encased in other materials, such as expansive materials like foam, unless otherwise specified, StegoHome should be sealed to the underlying penetration directly.

FIGURE 4a: PIPE PENETRATION SEALING



**STEGOHOME PIPE PENETRATION REPAIR DETAIL:**

- 1: Install StegoHome around pipe penetrations by slitting/cutting material as needed. Try to minimize the void space created.
- 2: If StegoHome is close to pipe and void space is minimized then seal around pipe penetration with Stego Tape and/or Stego Mastic. (See Figure 4a)
- 3: If a detail patch is needed to minimize void space around penetration, then cut a detail patch to a size and shape that creates a 6" overlap on all edges around the void space at the base of the pipe.
- 4: Cut an "X" the size of the pipe diameter in the center of the detail patch and slide tightly over pipe.
- 5: Tape down all sides of the detail patch with Stego Tape.
- 6: Seal around the base of the pipe using Stego Tape and/or Stego Mastic. (See Figure 4b)

FIGURE 4b: DETAIL PATCH FOR PIPE PENETRATION SEALING

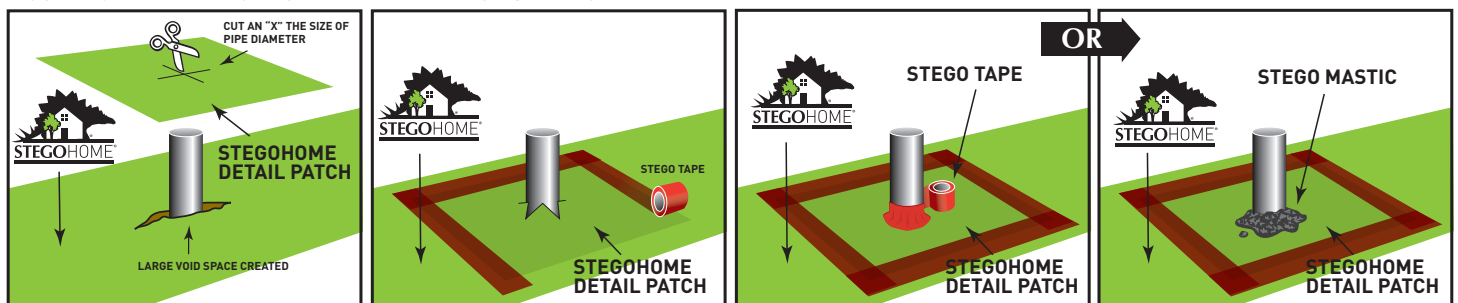
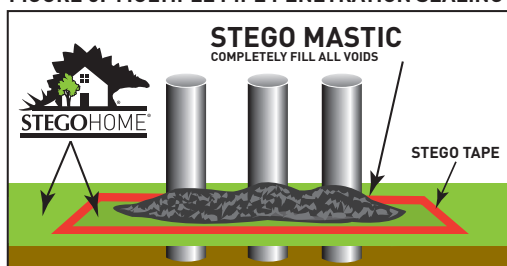


FIGURE 5: MULTIPLE PIPE PENETRATION SEALING



**MULTIPLE PIPE PENETRATION SEALING:**

Multiple pipe penetrations in close proximity and very small pipes may be sealed using StegoHome and Stego Mastic for ease of installation (See Figure 5).

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