



Contech Bridge Plank



Contech Bridge Plank installation is quick and cost-effective

Contech Bridge Plank-For Deck Rehab and New Construction

Counties, townships and municipalities have the bulk of the nation's bridge problems. Many of these bridges urgently need major repairs. The easy and economical solution is to replace noisy, worn-out wood floors or deteriorated concrete deck with Contech Bridge Plank.

Corrugated steel Contech Bridge Plank has been proven in service from coast to coast on bridges of many types, including skewed structures.

Three standard sizes

Contech Bridge Plank is available in $6'' \times 2''$, $9'' \times 3'''$ and $12'' \times 4-1/4''$ corrugations. For more information on corrugations, see next page.

Restores strength to old structures

Reduced load limits caused by inadequate decking are quickly eliminated with Contech Bridge Plank. Contech Bridge Plank serves as the structural members supporting the asphalt concrete paving. Positive welded connections provide a rigid panel construction that helps stiffen the entire structure. The deck becomes an integral part of the bridge. Rattling of loose members under traffic is eliminated.

Planks may be furnished in galvanized steel to provide extra years of service with minimal maintenance.

Contech Bridge Plank has a high strength-to-weight ratio due to its corrugated steel design. Total weight is only slightly higher than most timber floors and in some cases (especially replacement of reinforced concrete decks) the load is actually reduced.

Fast, low-cost installation

Contech Bridge Plank is delivered in convenient lengths according to your bridge width and includes the planks required to cover the deck. Weld holes may be factory-punched to fit the stringer spacing of the bridge. All welding is done from the top of the planks—an important safety factor on any bridge. With wood stringers, lag screws and similar fasteners have been successfully used.

No special equipment or training is necessary for a fast, efficient installation. Individual sections of Contech Bridge Plank are light enough for easy handling by small crews. The corrugated design makes it easy to stack the sections for convenient hauling and storing.

Finishing and paving

Installation methods for Contech Bridge Plank may vary, depending on specific local site conditions, the equipment available, the size of the bridge, the design and condition of the structure and the out-of-service time that is practical.

Before paving, the deck should be cleared of debris. A light asphaltic primer coat is recommended. This ensures a good bond between the pavement and the steel deck. Priming is recommended even if an asphalt emulsion type system is planned.

Two courses of asphalt pavement complete the job. The first course fills the corrugations. As soon as it is compacted, the traffic surface can be applied. This wearing course is usually compacted to about two inches over the corrugations at the center of the bridge, tapering to one inch at the edges.

Side dams, to retain the pavement at the outer edges of the bridge, can be supplied attached to individual planks, or shipped as separate pieces in 12-foot lengths for attachment after the planks are in place. They provide a finished edge for the new deck.

The type, grade and density of asphalt for each specific job can best be determined by local experience. A pavement that has proven satisfactory on roads in a given area can be expected to provide similar service on the deck.

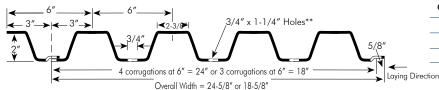
Durable galvanized planks require no special maintenance

With Contech Bridge Plank there is nothing to crack, warp or rot. Repeated, expensive repair work on the bridge deck is eliminated. The completed deck can be maintained as part of the regular road and bridge programs. The asphalt wearing surface is one that is commonly used on roads.



A continuous bridge deck

6" x 2" engineering details and design data



Material: Pregalvanized steel per ASTM A929 or ASTM A653 (12 and 10 gage), 36 ksi yield. Black steel per ASTM A1011, 36 ksi yield.

Coating: Pregalvanized or Aluminized type 2(12 and 10 gage) or Hot Dip Galvanized per ASTM A123, except that the zinc shall be applied at a rate of 2.0 ounces per square foot total both sides.

Maximum Length: 40 ft (without splices), 33ft (hot dipped galvanized without splices)

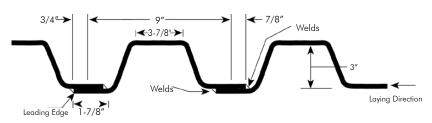
SECTION PROPERTIES

Gage	Thickness (Inches)	Modulus (In. ³ Per Ft.)	of Inertia (In. ⁴ Per Ft.)	
12	0.105	1.062	1.151	
10	0.135	1.342	1.466	
7	0.179	1.732	1.920	

	Approx. Weights,	Net Span* (Inches)			
Gage	(psf)	HS 15	HS 20	HS 25	
12	6.20	25	21	20	
10	8.00	28	24	22	
7	10.70	32	27	24	

Note: 36,000 psi yield steel. Average weight of asphalt surfacing based on 2" depth over the corrugations at the center, tapering to 1" at the edge, is 28.2 psf for 6" x 2" plank.

9" x 3" engineering details and design data



Material: Black steel per ASTM A1011 (8, 7, and 5 gage), 40 ksi yield. Black steel per ASTM A1018 (3 gage and heavier), 40 ksi yield.

Coating: Hot Dip Galvanized per ASTM A123, except that the zinc shall be applied at a rate of 2.0 ounces per square foot total both sides.

Maximum Length: 19 feet (without splices)

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Gage	Thickness (Inches)	Section Modulus (In. ³ Per Ft.)	Moment of Inertia (In. ⁴ Per Ft.)
8	0.164	2.906	4.680
7	0.179	3.173	5.120
5	0.209	3.680	5.973
3	0.239	4.160	6.840
5/16"	0.313	5.316	8.751
3/8"	0.375	6.276	10.331

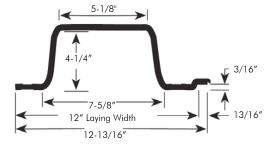
	Approx. Weights,	Net Span* (Inches)		
Gage	(psf)	HS 15	HS 20	HS 25
8	10.5	48	40	35
7	11.5	52	42	37
5	13.5	58	47	40
3	15.3	63	51	44
5/16"	19.8	77	61	52
3/8"	23.8	89	70	59

Note: 40,000 psi yield steel. Average weight of asphalt surfacing based on 2" depth over the corrugations at the center, tapering to 1" at the edge is 33.8 psf for 9" x 3" bridge plank. **Holes can be punched for use as bolt holes and/or ween holes.

Table: 3

*Refer to AISI Handbook's chapter on Steel Bridge Flooring.

12" x 4-1/4" engineering details and design data



Material: Black steel per ASTM A1011, 45 ksi yield.

Coating: Hot Dip Galvanized per ASTM A123, except that the zinc shall be applied at a rate of 2.0 ounces per square foot total both sides.

Maximum Length: 19 feet (without splices)

SECTION PROPERTIES

Gage	Thickness (Inches)	Section Modulus (In. ³ Per Ft.)	Moment of Inertia (In. ⁴ Per Ft.)	
9	0.149	3.65	8.62	
8	0.164	4.01	9.48	
7	0.179	4.34	10.34	

	Approx. Weights,	Net Span* (Inches)		
Gage	(psf)	HS 15	HS 20	HS 25
9	9.59	66	53	45
8	10.55	71	57	48
7	11.50	75	60	51

Note: 45,000 psi yield steel. Average weight of asphalt surfacing based on 2'' depth over the corrugations at center, tapering to 1'' at edge, is 40.9 psf for 12'' x 4-1/4'' bridge plank.

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^{*} Net Span is the clear span between bridge stringer flanges.