

A growing demand for Gutterline

Cambridge Glasshouse were so impressed with the efficiency of the Gutterline system, they modified their gutter profile to accommodate it.

As one of the largest and most innovative manufacturers of glasshouses in the UK, *The Cambridge Glasshouse Company* produces everything from domestic garden greenhouses to massive structures for commercial growers, agricultural and horticultural research establishments, and retail garden centres. If anyone understands the complexities of glasshouse construction, then Cambridge do.

Since the company was established in 1956 it has pioneered tremendous developments in construction techniques, using modern materials and methods to create not only spacious and effective growing environments, but also attractive structures that are totally in tune with the needs and expectations of today's retail industry.

With such vast expanses of glass roofing involved, rainwater gutters obviously play a major role in the design of the structures, but as a result of constant temperature fluctuation, building movement can place severe strain on the aluminium gutter joints. Leaking gutters though are not an option.



Gutterline to the rescue

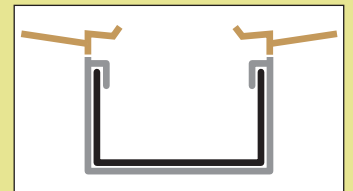
Looking for a reliable, long-term solution to this problem, Cambridge Glasshouse contacted H D Sharman Ltd and after



successful trials, they began to install Rubberised Plygene Gutterline as standard equipment into the gutters of their new structures. Gutterline will easily tolerate building movement and temperature changes, and when installed to manufacturer's instructions, Gutterline is also supported by a 20 year guarantee.

Gutterline ensured that even if any of the the built-in aluminium gutter joints did 'spring', there was no risk whatsoever of water leaking into the interior of the building.

Because of the way the gutters were constructed and attached to the framework of the building, however, fitting the Gutterline was not quite as straightforward as it could have



been. So the Cambridge designers quickly modified the gutter extrusions by including a lip at the top of each wall. Now the made-to-measure Gutterline can be easily fitted into the base and securely fixed in position by tucking the edges into the built-in lip. The result - a totally waterproof, leakproof and maintenance-free gutter.

If you have a leaking gutter that requires an innovative solution, why not contact H D Sharman who can offer a wealth of experience and expert advice to help you resolve the problem.

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The future's bright

Smarter, brighter and even more inviting. That's the theme behind a major refurbishment programme that's now in progress at the famous Cribbs Causeway Retail Park, just off the M5 at Bristol.

This landmark 'retail heaven' is already one of the largest shopping complexes in the South West, and it boasts a massive array of facilities including a futuristic indoor shopping mall. For three of the blocks though, life is becoming even more colourful as they are spruced up to attract customers with bright new external cladding and an eye-catching new roof coating.

Among the stores occupying these properties are top retailer names such as Currys, Allied Carpets, Argos, Comet, PC World, Harveys and JJB Sports, so everything about the stores has to be 'spot on'. That's why the architects responsible for the upgrade specified that rubberised Plygene Gutterline must be installed to guarantee the integrity of all the valley and eaves gutters.

In total, H D Sharman are supplying around 1250 metres of

Gutterline is playing a key role in a retail park's colourful makeover



made-to-measure liners and it is yet another example of how Gutterline has now become the automatic choice for specifiers needing to ensure the efficiency of the gutters whether they are working on old or new properties.



“Passed

Gutterline takes the college test and examiner's report reads:

with honours”

Farnborough College of Technology had a problem. A big problem.

In fact the college had thousands of metres of leaking gutters on their glass covered corridors, atria and classrooms, and not only was this affecting the integrity of the buildings themselves, but wet floors also posed a serious health and safety risk for the students and staff.

The solution, the college reasoned, was H D Sharman's Rubberised Plygene Gutterline. Which is why early in 2006 Mick McKeachan went along to survey the project and then install a number of test sections for appraisal by the college authorities.

Despite the heavy winter rain, everyone agreed that Gutterline really did 'Stop Gutters Leaking' and

so it was decided to line all the leaking gutters with Gutterline.

A staged programme of refurbishment was then agreed, with the majority of the work to be completed during the summer break.

In total Sharmans supplied almost 2400 metres of made-to-measure Gutterline, plus custom-moulded corners, overflows and outlets.

The college's roofing contractor - Facilities Maintenance Co Ltd were able to complete the entire project with time to spare before the students and staff returned to their newly refurbished and 'dry' college.

H D Sharman are always happy to come and meet you to discuss any problems you may have regarding leaking gutters, and will be pleased to offer any help or advice you require.

The Market-leader



London's historic Old Spitalfields Market gets the Gutterline treatment.

Although there has been a market at Spitalfields since the 13th century, the present Old Spitalfields Market building was completed in 1893.

Now, as part of a total renovation and extension programme, the roof on this venerable old building is being completely overhauled with new slates, roof lights and other repairs. Central to this huge roofing project is the refurbishment of the original cast-iron gutters, all of which were in very poor condition and leaking, and although these had been previously repaired on a number of occasions using several different methods, all of them had failed over the course of time.

This time a number of options were investigated, but after due consideration and

inspection of previous Gutterline installations carried out by J W Contract Services Ltd, it was agreed that Rubberised Plygene Gutterline would be the perfect long-term solution.

All the Victorian gutters were firstly cleaned and wire-brushed to remove surface rust and were then treated with an anti-rust agent. The made-to-measure Gutterline liners were then fitted, together with bespoke junction-pieces where the section valleys meet the main perimeter gutter. These were all custom-made by H D Sharman Ltd from templates provided.

J W Contract Services are highly experienced in the art of installing Gutterline on both old and new-build properties. They are delighted and proud to be associated with the refurbishment of this important heritage building.

www.hdsharman.co.uk - Quotation Request Forms online

On the new look H D Sharman website you will find online versions of the Quotation Request Forms, or if you prefer, you can choose downloadable and printable versions. These forms will prompt you to supply us with all the information required to produce an accurate estimate and it makes the whole task easier for everyone concerned. Don't forget, if you can, include digital shots of the roof and the gutters.

Free Training for contractors

To arrange your free training course in Gutterline fitting techniques, including hot air welding, simply call **01298 812371**

All courses are held at H D Sharman's Derbyshire headquarters and are individually structured to meet your requirements.



Interbuild is back

Reverting back to its traditional Autumn slot, Interbuild is being staged this year at the NEC from 28th October to 1st November.

As usual H D Sharman will be there demonstrating the Gutterline system and looking forward to meeting old friends as well as greeting new acquaintances.

Look out for us in
HALL 5 - Stand E15

DVD is a big hit



Since its release at the beginning of this year, the H D Sharman DVD has proved to be a resounding success.

It features five programme modules covering: The Gutterline Concept, Industrial Installations, Finlock style Installations, Welding Techniques, plus Free Training and Technical Support.

The DVD is a must for all contractors, architects, specifiers, property owners, plus anyone involved with the problem of stopping gutters leaking.

Best of all - it's free!

Red Scar - the sequel

Following on from the highly successful conclusion of the gutter refurbishment programme on the main building at Red Scar Business Park, Near Preston, which involved fitting over 8500 metres of Gutterline, a further large building on the site has now been similarly refurbished.

Dry Goods Depot

Alderman Roofing has solved the major problem of leaking gutters on a huge warehouse in Rushton, Northants, by fitting made-to-measure Gutterline into seven gutters each of which was over 60 metres long.

Action Stations

Why Gutterline is increasingly specified as more railway stations are brought up to date.

The massive glass and cast iron roofs found on many of Britain's major railway stations frequently have two things in common: they're old and they have leaking gutters.

The fact that most of them were built back in the Victorian 'railway age' is the reason they're old, and advanced age is why so many of them are now plagued with leaking gutters.

Gutterline has proved itself to be the ideal solution to this colossal problem in that it can be made-to-measure to match any profile, width and length of gutter. It is also simple to fit even with enormous lengths in difficult to access locations.



With increasing worries about climate change, station authorities also recognise Rubberised Plygene's ability to tolerate temperature fluctuations and building movement. What's more, they appreciate Gutterline's guaranteed waterproof performance and exceptionally long life credentials.

Since Gutterline was first used on London's Charring Cross station, it has also been installed on the world-famous St Pancras Barlow Shed, as well as at Paddington, Dundee and Shrewsbury stations.

Gutterline will shortly be arriving at Southport station.



Mick's MASTERCLASS

Technical Tips and Trade Secrets from Mick McKechnan, Technical Services Manager.



At one time when we were asked to provide an estimate for a Gutterline project we generally had to rely on notes and rough sketches from our customers.

Today though things are changing and more and more people are emailing us digital photographs of the roof and the gutters when they ask for prices.

Digital photographs are brilliant for us, because they show us - accurately and in great detail - exactly what the gutters look like, how any roof cladding or boundary walls etc affect the layout and they can be used to illustrate any awkward areas such as corners, overflows etc...

It means we, in turn, have a much clearer picture of the situation and so we can be far more precise with our initial estimates.

Now we always recommend that if you can send us digital snaps of the job with your enquiry you should do.

Email them to:
info@hdsharman.co.uk

Gutterline on London landmark

The first phase of the massive task to refurbish the roof on the world-famous Olympia building has now begun and H D Sharman's Rubberised Plygene Gutterline has been specified to upgrade and seal the numerous leaking gutters.

In phase one, the West Wing of this historic building, Gutterline has been installed to solve the problem of serious leaks on a huge 70 metre long rear gutter, plus several of the shorter side gutters. For this phase Sharman's have supplied around 250 metres of made-to-measure Gutterline, for installation by West London Industrial Roofing & Building Services Limited.



One of the gutters on Olympia, ready for renovation

As part of a rolling programme, the Olympia roof refurbishment project is expected to continue for some considerable time.

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