



# TYPE APPROVAL

Certificate No.:  
TA-DNV-CP-0084-06890-2

Issued:  
2023-11-24

Valid until:  
2025-06-06

Issued for:

## Balsa

with type designation(s)

## BALSAFLEX - Series

As specified in Annex 1

Issued to:

## Gurit Composite Materials AG

Thurgauerstraße 54, 8050 Zürich, Switzerland

According to:

### DNV-SE-0436:2022-09 Shop approval in renewable energy

and

### DNV-CP-0084:2021-09 Type approval – Sandwich core materials

Applying:

### DNV-SE-0441:2021-10 Type and component certification of wind turbines

Based on the documents listed in Annex 1.

Any significant changes in the design and/or quality of the material will render this Type Approval invalid.

Hellerup, 2023-11-24  
For DNV Renewables Certification

**Bente Vestergaard**  
Service Line Leader



By DAKKS according to DIN EN IEC/ISO 17065 accredited Certification Body for products. The accreditation is valid for the fields of certification listed in the certificate.

Hamburg, 2023-11-24  
For DNV Renewables Certification

**Bernhard Krüger**  
Project Manager

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## Product description and application

End Grain Balsa Wood with and without surface coating. The purpose of the coating is the reduction of resin uptake while mechanical properties remain unchanged. Variants with coating are marked as Lite.

## Approved variants

- Balsaflex™ 150 and Balsaflex™ Lite 150 with a nominal density of 155 kg/m<sup>3</sup>, approved range: 135 – 176 kg/m<sup>3</sup>
- Balsaflex™ 185 with a nominal density of 185 kg/m<sup>3</sup>, approved range: 176 – 210 kg/m<sup>3</sup>

## Type Approval documentation

Technical data sheet(s):	Full General Datasheet Gurit Balsaflex - BALSAL WOOD CORE MATERIAL, Balsaflex 110 and Balsaflex 150, PDS-Balsaflex-11-0321 Full General Datasheet Gurit Balsaflex - BALSAL WOOD CORE MATERIAL, Balsaflex 185, PDS-Balsaflex185-1-0321
Test report(s):	Test Report No. 527511 issued by DNV GL approved testing laboratory of TPI dated October 2016 Test Report No. COLE041816-49 issued by NTA Nappanee IN dated 2016-08-22 Test Report No. COLE041816-45 issued by NTA Nappanee IN dated 2016-08-22 Test Report No. 11239 issued by Gurit Americas Testing Laboratory Technical Report No. 12006 rev. 3.0, issued by Gurit Americas Testing Laboratory dated 2021-03-11
Inspection report(s):	Workshop Inspection Report no. WIR-06890_06957-000-Rev.0 for Gurit Balsaflex Cia. Ltda, Ecuador, dated 2020-11-09 Periodical Assessment Form, PA-06890-0, Gurit Americas, dated 2023-09-29 Shop Approval No. SA-DNV-SE-0436-10037-0, DNV, dated 2023-10-21
Quality control documentation:	ISO 9001:2015 Management System Certificate, 113936-2012-AQ-RGC-RvA, issued by DNV to Gurit Tianjin Composite Material Co., Ltd., China, dated 2023-04-07 ISO 9001:2015 Management System Certificate, 10000456610-MSC-DANAK-DNK, issued by DNV to Gurit Balsaflex Cia. Ltd., Ecuador, dated 2022-07-01

## Material properties

Variant	Nominal Density (1)	Compr. strength (2)	Compr. modulus (2)	Compr. strength (3)	Compr. modulus (3)	Shear strength (4)	Shear modulus (4)
Balsaflex™ 150 and Balsaflex™ Lite 150	155	13.0 (9.9)	3518 (2312)	0.75 (0.47)	57 (35)	2.8 (2.1)	163 (121)
Balsaflex™ 185	185	19.2 (15.5)	4474 (3339)	1.5 (0.90)	95 (60)	3.2 (3.1)	197 (143)

(1) Nominal Density according to ISO 845 in kg/m<sup>3</sup>

(2) Compressive behaviour parallel to the grain in accordance with ISO 844:2014, procedure B in MPa.

(3) Compressive behaviour perpendicular to the grain in accordance with ISO 844:2014, procedure B in MPa.

(4) Shear behaviour in accordance with ISO 1922 in MPa.

Values without brackets Average values based on nominal density ±5% and verified by testing.

Values in brackets: Minimum values based on average – 2 standard deviation.



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## Approved Production Sites

Gurit Balsaflex Cia. Ltda.  
KM, 19 Via a Vetanas  
120501 Quevedo  
Ecuador

Gurit Tianjin Composite Material Co., Ltd.  
No. 1 Hengtong Road  
Yat Sen Park, Wuqing District, Tianjin  
China 301726

Periodical assessment accomplished 2023-10-24

Shop Approval valid until 2026-07-20

## Certificate maintenance

In the case of major changes of the approved production processes and methods during the validity time of the Type Approval, the changes shall be reported to DNV. A periodical assessment needs to be carried out 2.5 years after the issue date of the Type Approval, an intermediate inspection of the production workshop(s) might be needed based on the implemented changes. A workshop holding a valid Shop Approval for manufacturing of composite materials is exempted from a periodical assessment.