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DOES BLOWN-IN INSULATION NEED A VAPOR BARRIER?

Blown-in insulation products do not offer vapor barriers. Blown-in cannot stop air leakage, so it cannot stop water in its gaseous state, either.

However, blown-in is only used in attic applications in homes and pole buildings.

In most cases, attic applications do not need vapor barriers.

Above-grade locations in Climate Zone 5 do not have to worry about vapor transfer.

Blown-in should never be installed in a below-grade application, as below-grade requires vapor barriers.

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