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Application manual
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DEVI - an abbreviation of Dansk El-Varme Industri – was established in Copenhagen, Denmark, in 1942. As from January 1st 2003 DEVI has become a part of the Danfoss Group - Denmark’s largest industrial Group. Danfoss is one of the world’s leading companies within heating, cooling and air-conditioning. The Danfoss Group has more than 23,000 employees and serves customers in more than 100 countries.

DEVI is Europe’s leading brand of electrical cable heating systems and electric pipe heating systems with over 70 years of experience. The production of heating cables takes place in France and Poland while the head office is situated in Denmark.

The value of experience

We have installed literally thousands of systems across the globe, in every conceivable setting. This experience means that we can offer you practical advice about precisely which components you need to get the best results at the lowest cost.

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This design guide presents DEVI’s recommendations for design and installation of ice and snow melting systems for asphalt application. It provides guidance for heating cable positioning, electrical data and system configurations.

Following DEVI’s recommendations will ensure energy efficient, reliable and maintenance free solution for constant wattage heating cables with 20 year warranty.
1. Application Briefing

Winter weather costs
In recent years there have been plenty of new stories about human and financial costs caused by increasingly harsh winter weather. Property damage, increased maintenance expenses, lost productivity, rising insurance premiums, personal injuries and even worse. Installation of DEVI Ice & Snow Melting System ensures a steady solution to address cold weather related problems.

Asphalt Ground solution – with a first class product range
The DEVIasphalt™ Snow Melting System is a system installed directly in asphalt ensuring instantaneous relief from snow build up and ice forming.

DEVIasphalt™ series introduces completely new standards for high-performance cables used for ice and snow melting in asphalt areas outside.

DEVI recommends the DEVIasphalt™ cables and mats for asphalt installations as they provide short-term resistance to temperatures of 240 °C. With this type of cables and mats the sand bed over the cable is not required. This reduces time and installation costs. To avoid cable damage heavy machinery (rollers or asphalt laying machines) should not be used. Asphalt cover should be at least 5 cm thick from the top of the DEVIasphalt™ heating cables. An electrician should ensure of cable and insulation resistance measurements both before and after asphalt is applied.

By using DEVIasphalt™ heating cables and mats controlled by electronic thermostats with moisture sensors, you can cost-effectively protect large areas such as parking areas, ramps or pedestrian accesses to buildings. Giving you convenience and safety while saving a lot of tiring and time-consuming manual work.

One of the greatest advantages of this system is a prompt response and as a result, the most energy efficient solution for the ground ice & snow melting applications.

Benefits

- Efficient snow removal
- **Safe traffic and working areas** for people
- Quick **installation directly in asphalt**, no need to cover cables with a sand bed or concrete
- Up to **20% Energy saving** comparing to heating elements installation in a sand bed
- **Cost saving** for asphalt repair after winter
- **Environment is protected** against salting and antifreeze related damages.
- Automatic “**Around the Clock**” snow clearing service.
- Smart 2-zone control with **low energy consumption**
- **PVC free**, twin conductors heating cables and mats (IEC 60800 and IEC 62395)
- A maintenance free system with **20 year full warranty** on cables and heating
2. System Description

The most common DEVI ice and snow melting applications on ground are car parks, driveways, pavements, outdoor steps, loading platforms and bridges.

Main purpose of the application is to melt snow or slippery ice on asphalt surfaces.

Like for any other outdoor areas during winter, snow and ice needs to be removed from asphalt surfaces to secure safe access to buildings. It can be done manually or in a smart way – by means of electrical ice & snow melting system with thermostat control and moisture and temperature sensors that can control 2 zones simultaneously. Inactive during cold but dry weather 2 zone control saves energy and reduces costs.

The automatic regulation of the snow melting system keeps areas free of snow and passable at all times – night and day.

Another great advantage of the system installed directly in asphalt is a prompt response or warm up time compared to other installations.

Two types of asphalt applications are used most frequently: Mastic asphalt and Road/concrete asphalt.

Important: if DEVIasphalt™ cable or mat is embedded in asphalt
- 2 layers of asphalt must be always ensured
- DEVIasphalt™ cable must be installed in the first asphalt layer (max. 8 mm stone fraction)
- If road asphalt is used, first layer must be rolled by a hand drum
- First layer must be cooled down to max 80 °C before laying the second layer
- The second layer can be rolled with up to 500 kg

When installing ice and snow melting systems on steep slopes it may be necessary to provide some drainage for melted water at the slope bottom. The drain system should also be protected against ice formations.

The diagram below shows the warm-up time values for 2 different driveways constructions. The heating cable that is installed directly into asphalt (red line) can warm up the surface approx. 4 times quicker comparing to the cable that is installed in sand bed with pavement blocks (blue line).

Fig. 1 - DEVIasphalt™ heating cable under the first layer of Road asphalt rolled by a hand drum.

Fig. 2 - The cables are protected by concrete prior to further asphalt arrangement.
2.1 Mastic asphalt application

Mastic asphalt is a dense mass composed of suitably graded minerals such as chippings, sand, limestone powder and bitumen. When Mastic asphalt is used along with heating cables, it should be used as a filling material with rounded stones of small fraction (less than Ø8 mm) in such a way as not to damage the heating cables.

Impervious consistency of the Mastic asphalt can be attributed to its high content and concentration of bitumen that is much higher than in Road/concrete asphalt.

When Mastic asphalt is heated to high temperatures, it is formed as a solid liquid substance that can be poured or spread over the surface by means of a hand float or mechanical finishing.

The primary difference between Mastic asphalt and Road/concrete asphalt is the compound density.

Mastic asphalt provides a perfect impermeable mass. It is often used in park decks, bridges and tunnels or as a filler.

Mastic asphalt does not need any compaction/compression as contrasted to Road asphalt.

The Mastic asphalt installation temperature shall not exceed 240 °C before pouring over the cables.

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2.2 Road/concrete asphalt application

Road/concrete asphalt is typically composed of 5% asphalt/bitumen cement and 95% aggregates (stone, sand, and gravel).

The temperature required when spreading can vary depending upon characteristics of the asphalt or bitumen and is usually 130...150 °C.

Considering sturdiness and ability for quick repair, it is easy to maintain asphalt pavements. Wear or damaged surfaces can be milled, removed and replaced by a new layer. Road asphalt is often laid in layers with compaction of each by means of mechanical rollers.

First layer of road asphalt must be rolled by a hand drum. Second layer may be rolled with up to 500 kg.

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2.3 Application with thermal protection layer

Heating cables or mats can be placed in thermal protective layer – sand, concrete, etc. It ensures the heating cable protection against high temperatures of the asphalt cover.

When concrete is used as a protection it is possible to roll asphalt with no weight restriction.
3. Products

Heating elements

For a heating system installed into asphalt following resistive (constant wattage) heating elements can be used:

- DEVIsphalt™ 30T heating cable;
- DEVIsphalt™ 300T heating mat.

DEVIsphalt™ resistive heating cables ensure safe, efficient and economical asphalt application.

DEVIsphalt™ cables and DEVIsphalt™ mats are extremely high-quality products consisted of a 360° fully screened twin conductor cable with highly robust outer sheath (UV stable), designed especially for embedding in mastic asphalt or road/concrete asphalt.

The 10 m cold lead has solid conductors ensuring quick installation with a clearly visible connection.

To ensure long life-time and quality all cables are thoroughly inspected including tests for Ohmic resistance, high voltage and material control.

DEVIsphalt™ 30T cable is a twin conductor heating cable for installation in asphalt of 240 °C maximum installation temperature. Cables comply with EN62395-1:2006 and IEC 60800:2009 class M2 - for applications with high risk of mechanical damage.

It’s supplied in a readymade set with a 10 m cold lead, hermetic connections and end muffs.

DEVIsphalt™ 300T mat is a heating mat with DEVIsphalt™ heating cable fixed on a plastic mesh.

Mats are available for two power supply options - 230 and 400 V.

Output is 300 W/m² (230 or 400 V).

Mat width - 0.5 m for 230 V and 0.5, 0.75 and 1 m for 400 V.

Available size: 1 - 12.4 m² for 230 V and 1.7 - 21.15 m² for 400 V.

Note. The number at the end of the cable’s and mat’s name refers to its linear output – W/m or area output – W/m², at 230 V or 400 V. Letter “T” means twin conductor cable (Twin).

Fixing

If heating cable is applied, it is recommended to use a fitting band to fix cable to the floor base. For example, metal galvanized DEVIfast™ fitting band. It is attached to the basement (nailed etc.) in parallel lines usually in 50 cm or 2 meter intervals of fitting band for each square meter of the cable installation.

Control

Ice and snow melting systems are different and require different thermostats/regulators.

DEVItreg™ thermostats and regulators are fitted with a complete set of control functions for heating systems for ice and snow melting of any type and allow attaching external measuring sensors for ground temperature measuring as well as control of moisture conditions.

The product range of controls is designed for external systems including the following:

- thermostats with a temperature sensor - DEVItreg™ 330 (5…45 °C), DEVItreg™ 610, DEVItreg™ 130;
- regulator with an integrated temperature and moisture sensor(s) - DEVItreg™ 850.

To control simple or low output systems thermostat with a ground temperature sensor is recommended. DEVItreg™ 330 (5…45 °C) thermostat with the DIN rail attachment is recommended as a standard solution. It can be also used on wall/pipe mounted DEVItreg™ 610, IP44. As an alternative to control small areas near private houses etc. DEVItreg™ 130 wall mounted room thermostat can be used.

All thermostats above are supplied with a wire temperature sensor – NTC 15 kOhm @25 °C, 3 m.

To control ice and snow melting systems especially with high output the best solution is DEVItreg™ 850 regulator/controller with integrated ground and roof moisture and temperature sensors.

DEVItreg™ 850 is a two-zone controller with possibility of connection up to 4 sensors to provide maximum control of the outdoor heating system. Comparing to installations with typical ground temperature measuring this regulator allows reduction of energy consumption costs by up to 30-40%.
## Products - general overview for ice and snow melting for Asphalt application

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<td>DEViasphalt™ 30T 400 V program</td>
<td>Twin conductor, 100% screen, UV stabilized, black, short term contact with 240 °C allowed, 30 W/m (400 V). DIN IEC 60800:2009 M2, EN 62395-1:2006</td>
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<td>DEViasphalt™ Resistive heating mat</td>
<td>DEViasphalt™ 300T 230 &amp; 400 V program</td>
<td>Twin conductor, 100% screen, UV stabilized, black, short term contact with 240 °C allowed, 300 W/m² (230 V/400 V). DIN IEC 60800:2009 M2, EN 62395-1:2006</td>
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<td>Fixing</td>
<td>DEVIfast™ Metal</td>
<td>25 m pack; galvanized metal, fixings every 2.5 cm.</td>
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<td>DEVIreg™ Regulator</td>
<td>DEVIreg™ 850</td>
<td>Connection to Ground and Roof moisture and temp. sensor, max 4 sensors, 2 zones, 2x15 A, PSU 24 V, DIN rail</td>
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<td>Moisture &amp; temperature sensor</td>
<td>Ground sensor for DEVIreg™ 850</td>
<td>Ø93 x 98 mm, IP67, 15 m connection cable 4x1 mm²</td>
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<td>PSU 24 V for DEVIreg™ 850</td>
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<td>DEVIreg™ Thermostat</td>
<td>DEVIreg™ 330 (5…45 °C)</td>
<td>5…45 °C, 16 A, IP20, with wire sensor, 3 m, DIN rail</td>
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<td>DEVIreg™ Thermostat</td>
<td>DEVIreg™ 610</td>
<td>-30…+50 °C, 10 A, IP44, with wire sensor, 3 m, on wall/pipe installation</td>
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<td>DEVIreg™ Room thermostat</td>
<td>DEVIreg™ 130</td>
<td>5…45 °C, 16 A, IP30, with wire sensor, 3 m, room on wall installation</td>
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<td>Temperature sensor</td>
<td>10 m, PVC</td>
<td>Wire sensor, Ø8 mm, IP65, NTC 15 kOhm @25 °C</td>
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For additional information please refer to the DEVI Catalogue.
4. System Design

The following paragraphs contain estimations according to ASHRAE, Application Handbook and Historical Weather Data.

Figures are for reference only and can vary depending on the area size, wind speed and ground construction.

4.1 Output

The heat required for snow melting depends on the following main factors:

- Weather data (min temperature, max. snowfall rate, wind speed, humidity, altitude);
- Project details (materials, foundation type, dimensions, insulation);
- Electrical data (voltage, power, control requirements);
- System performance expectations;
- Safety factor.

Evaluation of the specific output for ice and snow melting systems can be done based on the diagram and other similar documents.

For example, heat loss depending on the wind speed and temperature differences between the surface and the ambient air is described in 2003 ASHRAE Application Handbook (see fig. 3).

For example, for medium weather conditions and 6 m/s wind speed, if choosing ΔT = 10 K (from -3 K to +7 K) the heat loss value is approx. 230 W/m² (marked with the red dotted line in fig. 3).

In other words, surface heating up to 10 degrees requires 230 W/m² or 230 / 10 = 23 W/(m²·K).

All in all, for medium winter weather conditions, heating of 1 m² outdoor surface up to 1°C needs power of approx. 23 Watts. Or the calculation heat exchange coefficient for outdoor surfaces is approx. 23 W/(m²·K) (sometimes named αout – “alpha out”).

As an example IEC 62395-2 provides another evaluation of typical snow melting heat loads (see table 1).

Values in table 1 less than 250 W/m² should be used in limited circumstances, for example in countries with warm climate or with the technical justification. Low output at the level of 150-200 W/m² may lack for snow and ice melting.

For ice and snow melting systems should be recommended next outputs:
- minimum – 250 W/m²;
- optimum – 350 W/m².

Output for ice and snow melting systems should be designed to follow the local norms and regulations.

When installing ice and snow melting systems it may be necessary to provide drainage for melted water at the slope bottom, walkways, etc. The drain system should also be protected against ice formations.

![Fig. 3. Wind and temperature dependent heat loss](image_url)

**Table 1. IEC62395-2. Typical snow melting heat loads**

<table>
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<th>Weather severity</th>
<th>Application criticality</th>
<th>Minimum, for example, residential walkways and driveways</th>
<th>Moderate, for example, commercial walkways and driveways</th>
<th>Maximum, for example, tall plazas, hospital emergency entrances and helicopter decks</th>
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<tr>
<td>Mild</td>
<td>W/m²</td>
<td>150 to 250</td>
<td>250 to 350</td>
<td>300 to 400</td>
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<td>Severe</td>
<td></td>
<td>200 to 300</td>
<td>300 to 400</td>
<td>350 to 500</td>
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<tr>
<td>Very severe</td>
<td></td>
<td>250 to 350</td>
<td>400 to 550</td>
<td>450 to 750</td>
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Add 100 W/m²:
- for every 1000 m altitude;
- if the heated area is safe standing construction without insulation;
- if the local average wind speed is >6 m/s;
- if the more efficient system is required;
- if it snows at temperatures lower than -10 °C.

**Note.** It can be recommended to design output for ice and snow melting systems with maximum possible level.
Minimum melting temperature

The main task of ice and snow melting systems is melting, i.e. to maintain +3 °C on the surface. Any output can be addressed to the lowest temperature at which ice and snow is still melting or the heating system will cope with its main task. Table 2 shows some heat outputs (W/m²) and temperatures at which system ensures ice & snow melting or, in other words, supports +3 °C on the surface.

Table 2. Minimum melting air temperatures for some outputs. ΔT surface-air is calculated as output divided by the heat exchange coefficient 23 W/(m²·K).

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<th>Output, W/m²</th>
<th>Min air temperature for +3 °C on surface (α_out = 23 W/(m²·K))</th>
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<tr>
<td>250</td>
<td>-8 °C</td>
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<tr>
<td>300</td>
<td>-10 °C</td>
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<td>350</td>
<td>-12 °C</td>
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<td>400</td>
<td>-14 °C</td>
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<td>550</td>
<td>-21 °C</td>
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For example, if 250 W/m² is installed, then the heating system enables ice and snow melting at the air temperature not lower than -8 °C (ΔT = 250/23 ≈ 11 °C). But if the ambient/air temperature is -12 °C for instance, then the surface temperature will be -1 °C, with ΔT = -11 °C for output of 250 W/m². It means that the system consumes power for surface heating, but doesn't melt ice and snow at all.

4.2 Insulation

The benefit of thermal insulation is significant for free standing constructions as ramps or bridges, steps, etc. Insulation of the free sides of the construction must also be considered.

In this example, a 6 m wide bridge is exposed to snow at -3 °C air temperature and 4.5 m/s crossing wind. Calculated approx. downward heat losses are presented in the table below.

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<th>Insulation thickness</th>
<th>Downward heat loss, %</th>
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<td>No insulation</td>
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<td>20 mm</td>
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<td>50 mm</td>
<td>15</td>
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<td>100 mm</td>
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4.3 C-C distance and corresponding output (W/m²)

The C-C distance is the centre-to-centre distance between the adjacent cables (sometimes named “installation step”).

Output of the DEVIasphalt™ cable for some C-C is presented in table:

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<th>C-C distance, cm</th>
<th>Heat density, W/m² (400 V)</th>
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<tr>
<td>5</td>
<td>600</td>
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<td>6</td>
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<td>333</td>
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<td>10</td>
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Note! Heating cable bending diameter must be at least 6 times cable diameter.
4.3 Installation method for asphalt applications

Heating Cables embedded direct in Asphalt

*Ground areas such as car parks*

- Asphalt, 2 layers
- DEViasphalt™ cables or DEViasphalt™ mat
- DEVIfast™ or fastening to the mesh for cable
- Lower support or crushed stone

Heating Cables embedded in a protection layer under Asphalt

*Ground areas such as driveways, walkways and pavements*

- Asphalt concrete
- Concrete or sand
- DEViasphalt™ cables or DEViasphalt™ mats
- DEVIfast™ or fastening to the mesh for cable
- Lower support or crushed stone

4.4 Control

Ice and snow melting systems are different and require different thermostats. The control product range is designed for external systems including the following:

- thermostats with a temperature sensor – DEVireg™ 330 (5…45 °C), DEVireg™ 610, DEVireg™ 130;
- regulator with integrated temperature and moisture sensors - DEVireg™ 850.

To control simple or low output systems (approx. up to 5 kW) thermostat with a temperature sensor is recommended. The sensor is usually installed in a metal pipe nearby a heating cable (“in the ground”). DEVireg™ 330 (5…45 °C) thermostat with the DIN rail attachment is recommended as a standard solution. It can be also used a wall/pipe mounted DEVireg™ 610, IP44.

As an option, to control small areas nearby private houses, etc., DEVireg™ 130 wall mounted room thermostat can be used. Please pay attention to the right place for the thermostat installation, considering that this is a class IP20 room thermostat.

All thermostats are supplied with a wire temperature sensor – NTC 15 kOhm @25 °C, 3 m. The sensor cable must have an appropriate length to allow temperature measurement in a right point – additional standard sensor length should be used, e.g. 10 m, or sensor cable can be adjusted to any length by cable size of at least 0,5 mm².

To control ice and snow melting systems DEVireg™ 850 regulator/controller with an integrated temperature and moisture sensor is recommended. We recommend this type of regulator for installations with output capacity exceeding 5 kW or for any smaller installations where optimum power use is a preference.

DEVireg™ 850 is a two-zone (A and B) controller with possibility to connect 4 integrated ground and roof moisture & temperature sensors to provide maximum control of the heating system.

The ground sensor is equipped with 15 m cable for connection to regulator.

Comparing to installations with typical ground temperature measuring this regulator allows reducing energy consumption costs of up to 30-40%.
5. Installation

5.1 General safety instructions

Never cut or shorten the heating element.

- Cutting the heating element will void the warranty.
- Cold leads can be shortened to suit requirements.

Elements must always be installed according to local building regulations and wiring rules as well as the guidelines in proper installation instructions and this manual.

- Any other installation may hamper element functionality or constitute a safety risk, and will void the warranty.
- Make sure that elements, cold leads, connection boxes, and other electrical components do not come into contact with chemicals or flammable materials during or after installation.

Elements must always be connected by an authorized electrician using a fixed connection.

- De-energize all power circuits before installation and service.
- The connection to the power source must not be directly accessible to the end user.
- Each heating cable screen must be earthed in accordance with local electricity regulations and connected to a residual current device (RCD).
- Recommended RCD trip rating is 30 mA, but may be up to 300 mA where capacitive leakage may lead to nuisance tripping.
- Heating elements must be connected via a switch providing all pole disconnection.
- The element must be equipped with a correctly sized fuse or circuit breaker, e.g. 10/13 A for a 1,5 mm² cold lead and 16/20 A for a 2,5 mm² cold lead.

The presence of a heating element must
- be made evident by affixing caution signs or markings at the power connection fittings and/or frequently along the circuit line where clearly visible
- be stated in any electrical documentation following the installation.

Never exceed the maximum heat density (W/m² or W/m) for the actual application.
5.1.1 When making installation:

Prepare the installation site properly by removing sharp objects, dirt, etc.

Regularly measure Ohm resistance and insulation resistance, minimum: before, during and after installation.

Do not install heating elements under walls and fixed obstacles. Min. 6 cm space is required. Keep elements clear of insulation material, other heating sources and expansion joints.

Heating elements may not touch or cross themselves or other heating elements and must be evenly distributed on areas.

The elements and especially the connection must be protected from stress and strain.

The element should be temperature controlled and not operate at ambient temperature higher than 10 °C in outdoor applications.

5.1.2 Planning the installation

Draw a sketch of the installation showing
- element layout
- cold leads and connections
- junction box/cable well (if applicable)
- sensor
- connection box
- thermostat/regulator

Save the sketch
- Knowing the exact location of these components makes subsequent troubleshooting and repair of faulty elements easier.

Please observe the following:
- Observe all safety guidelines.
- Observe correct cable C-C distance and distance between mats.
- Observe required installation depth and possible mechanical protection of cold leads according to local regulations.
- When installing more than one heating element, never wire elements in series but route all cold leads in parallel to the connection box.
- For single conductor cables, both cold leads must be connected to the connection box.
5.2 Installation

5.2.1 Preparing the installation area

Remove all traces of old installations, if applicable.

- Ensure that the installation surface is even, stable, smooth, dry and clean.
- If necessary, fill out gaps around pipes, drains and walls.
- There must be no sharp edges, dirt or foreign objects.

5.2.2 Installing heating elements

It is not recommended to install heating elements at temperatures below -5 °C.

At low temperatures, heating cables can become rigid. Connect the cable/mat to the mains for a short time (few minutes). The cable or mat must be rolled out during this process!

Measuring resistance

Measure, verify and record element resistance during installation.

- After unpacking
- After fastening the elements
- After the installation is finalized

If Ohm resistance and insulation resistance are not as on label attached to product and product transportation box, the element must be replaced.

- The ohmic resistance must be within -5 to +10 % of the value labeled.
- The insulation resistance should read >20 MΩ after one minute at min. 500 V DC.

5.2.3 Installation summary

Prepare installation surface with DEVIflex™ fastening accessories and/or mesh reinforcement.

Apply sensor conduit Ø 16-20 mm made from heat resistant material, e.g. metal. Fix conduit for sensor tube for DEVImat™ 850 ground sensor, if any.

Place cold leads and connections in a dry place. Seal all penetrations through walls or similar structures. Apply caution tape above cold leads.

After laying blocks or pouring concrete/asphalt, install external sensor(s), and extend sensor cable(s) according to the sensor manual.

The DEVImat™ thermostat/regulator must be commissioned as prescribed in the installation manual and adjusted where local conditions vary in relation to factory settings.

Before every season, check for faults in the switchboard, thermostat and sensors.
5.3 Precautions

Ensure to clean the area properly for stone and sharp edges.

Remember that the cable always shall be fully embedded to avoid air gaps.

Protect the heating cables against excessive use of rakes, shovels, vibrators and rollers.

For second layer of asphalt should be used drum/roller with the maximum limited load of 500 kg.

Do not tip the wheel barrow by supporting it directly on the cables.

Fasten the cables to the sub construction in short distances to ensure that the cable remains in right position.

It is recommended to connect a buzzer or other alarm giving device to the cables if an incident anyway should occur during installation despite all caution and a cable is being damaged. Then there will be the ability to quickly detect this and get the problem solved at the lowest possible cost and delay.

Ensure that all cables turn towards the electrical cupboards where the cables shall be connected.

Pour the asphalt at a moderate delivery speed to avoid displacement of the heating cable.

5.3.1 Important

All electrical connections must be done by authorized persons according to local regulations.

Installation in Mastic Asphalt

Only use DEVIasphalt™ fully embedded.

Mastic asphalt shall be cooled down to max. 240 °C

Installation in Road/concrete asphalt

First layer – 3 cm hand rolled asphalt concrete (max. 8 mm stone size), cooled down to max. 80 °C before (no vibrator).

Apply second layer with a max. 500 kg drum size (no vibrator).

When extending cold lead, observe:

• That there is max. 5% loss of potential power in the whole length of the cold cable.

• That the leak current of the whole installation is less than 1/3 of the RCD trigger level.

Thermostat controlling ground temperature is mandatory.
6. Cases

PAVED WALKWAY
Vienna, Austria

A snow melting system is required to melt snow and ice from a 2 m x 10 m walkway with pavement blocks on sand. The local design temperature is -15 °C. The heat density is 300 W/m²

\[ P_{\text{heat}} = 300 \times (2 \times 10) = 6000 \text{ W.} \]

DEVIasphalt™ 30T, 6470 W, 215 m, 230 V is selected at a C-C distance of 10 cm. Optionally, 21.5 m² can be heated. Optionally, 2 mats DEVIasphalt™ 300T, 3285 W, 0.5 x 22 m, 230 V.

PROTOCOL ROAD PROJECT
Ankara, Turkey.

Ice and snow melting application is being applied to the 2.8 km length new road on the North Ankara Urban Transformation Project. 2800 m, with 600 m of it on the bridge.

245 km of heating cables with total electrical power of 6.7 MW. Heating cables will be installed as 50 cm width tyre marks with 6 carriage way and total application area is 16800 m².