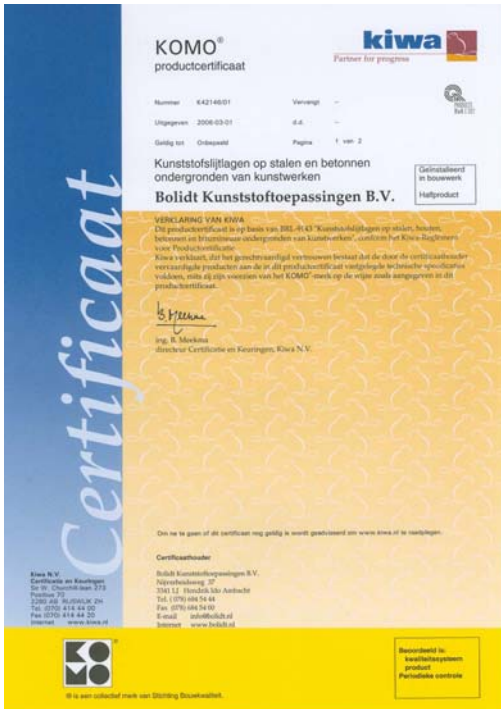


KIWA certificate for Bolidt

The Dutch Department of Public Works has decided that only coal tar free products can be used as wearing courses on steel and concrete constructions. On that account, a large-scale investigation has been launched to determine which suppliers can meet this new requirement and what products qualify for it. In doing so, the Department wants to ensure that it gets the quality that the application requires.



In the past, the qualifying materials were specified by description; the composition of the product had to be disclosed. This methodology has been abandoned. The new Assessment Guideline is based on performance requirements with due regard for the environment. These requirements have been laid down in Assessment Guideline 9143. After a round of testing in which products were tested for adhesion, wear resistance, loss of chippings, water holding capacity, crack formation and corrosion resistance, Bolidt's material was the first to be approved and certified.

The Department of Public Works has chosen [KIWA](#) as the Certifying Body. During the certification process, KIWA itself has been certified by the Accreditation Council for this so-called [KOMO](#) Assessment Guideline. The certificate has an unlimited validity period. KIWA will audit Bolidt three times a year to verify that the required work instructions for production and quality control are observed and that the preparation methods have not been changed.

The certification shows the trust that Bolidt has built up over the years that its products meet the technical specifications to be justified. Bolidt is very experienced in the field of thin wearing courses for slow and fast traffic. During its 42-year existence, its materials have been applied on, for instance, the [Erasmus Bridge](#), Caland Bridge, Auckland Harbour Bridge, Westgate Bridge, Ramon IX, Bicycle Bridge Eeklo, Meestooft Bridge in Antwerp and the Tram Bridge over the Ring Canal in Gent. In addition, the [Boliqrip](#)® wearing courses can be found on numerous bus lanes in the Netherlands.

