

# Website Redesign, Inbound Marketing Methods Attribute to Sales Goal

# CASE STUDY



Since 1979, FiberTite® roofing membranes have demonstrated an unmatched resistance to punctures, tears, UV rays and chemicals when used in a variety of commercial facilities.

Manufactured by Seaman Corporation in Wooster, Ohio, FiberTite membranes come in 36 mil, 45 mil and 60 mil weights, and the company offers a full line of adhesives, components and accessories for diverse installations. FiberTite roofing membranes use proprietary formulations to create unmatched quality in the industry. From weaving its own fabric to coating and finishing with patented processes, Seaman Corporation controls product quality during every step.



## THEIR CHALLENGES

Before its engagement with SyncShow, FiberTite's website didn't allow for data capture or lead tracking. The industrial fabrics company also hadn't generated many sales from the FiberTite website. With no social media presence, no blogs and not much tracking done on the current site, the website accounted for less than 20 leads per month—most of which were not sales qualified. FiberTite's digital marketing strategy was also focused strictly on nurturing past or existing customers.

It was important for Seaman Corporation to communicate FiberTite's benefits—specifically, how the roofing membranes are high-quality and low-maintenance products that are the best option compared to the competition.

Getting overshadowed by competitors in some markets, in 2015 Seaman Corporation evaluated different firms to establish an inbound <u>lead</u> generation strategy for its FiberTite roofing membrane brand. After evaluating five firms, SyncShow was chosen.

Not only did FiberTite need a <u>website makeover</u>, but also an inbound marketing strategy to achieve the following goals:

- Implement digital marketing lead generation tactics to achieve an aggressive 10 percent year-over-year (YOY) top-line growth
- Become a leader in problem-solving and thought leadership
- Better communicate the high quality of FiberTite roofing systems and their capabilities and benefits
- Increase <u>brand awareness</u> and brand loyalty
- Create a content plan that includes specific and relevant content for each of its buyers (personas)





# **OUR SOLUTION**

#### **Attracting Their Ideal Customers**

First, the SyncShow team redesigned FiberTite's site for better <u>usability</u> and <u>functionality</u>. We then created and implemented inbound marketing methods to achieve their goals.

We wanted to attract the right manufacturing and industrial buyers to FiberTite's website, supplying relevant content at the right time. Our team identified detailed profiles of the top three buyer personas, complete with pain points, goals, objectives, where they can be found online and the marketing messages that would appeal to them.

To attract these ideal customers for FiberTite, our goal was to create content that would earn their attention without being too pushy. Some of the content we created included:

- Blogs and company updates
- Gated offers such as whitepapers and tip sheets
- Social media messaging to promote offers

To date, 140 blogs have been published and blog subscriptions have grown an average of 38 percent YOY.

One of FiberTite's top-performing blogs to date is "Trial by Fire," which has seen a total of 420 views and 26 clicks (a 6.9 percent click-through rate) in just seven months. "Trial by Fire" provides an overview of the flame-resistance of various roofing materials and highlights how FiberTite is superior to the competition when it comes to its flame-retardant capabilities. The blog post—which has generated seven new leads for FiberTite and has a submission rate of 25 percent—is part of a campaign that also includes a downloadable whitepaper and an infographic.





#### Keeping the Ideal Customer Engaged

As FiberTite continued to attract the right audience to its brand, the next step was to keep these prospects easily engaged and convert them into leads and sales. Some of the initiatives to keep this audience engaged included:

- Competitive comparisons so buyers can see how FiberTite stacks up against other roofing products
- Gated case studies that showcase FiberTite's best work
- Lead nurturing email and marketing automation, including workflows, to continue to engage with FiberTite's contacts and deliver them the right information at the right time
- Conversion pages and forms (roof consultation, custom color request, request a sample, request a puncture kit)
- A marketing qualified lead (MQL) campaign that works to achieve a sales qualified lead (SQL) status
- An SQL drip campaign that ties directly to FiberTite's CRM

Among the case studies was the Westin Denver International Airport, a project where FiberTite's solution included the ability to withstand extreme weather conditions, long-term exposure to harsh UV rays and overall resistance to jet fuel to protect occupants. During natural disasters such as hurricanes, tornadoes and severe winds, FiberTite uses paid search to sell its Blue Roof™ temporary roof membrane for commercial, industrial and large-scale residential roofs.

#### The Delight

As FiberTite's ideal prospects continued to engage with their brand and turned into valued customers, establishing brand loyalty and a positive experience was extremely important. Some continued touchpoints to validate their customers' engagement included:

- A monthly newsletter to help keep FiberTite top of mind with customers, leads and offline contacts (e.g., trade show leads) by providing educational content
- SEO to identify opportunities to better optimize content for buyers' needs



## **RESULTS**

Since redesigning the FiberTite website on HubSpot and developing strategic content and inbound marketing initiatives, Seaman Corporation is not only hitting its sales numbers and marketing goals, it's beating them significantly. Part of that success can be attributed to the goals we set for metrics and HubSpot's reporting tool that we use to continue to track and report data on a monthly and quarterly basis. It's important to manage the performance of your marketing strategy to maximize its effectiveness and optimize your return on investment (ROI).

To date, FiberTite's inbound efforts have generated:

- 234,796 new visitors
- 4,539 total leads
- 2,589 SQLs
- 211 opportunities

#### Furthermore:

- New visitors increased an average of 24 percent YOY
- Total leads increased an average of 83 percent YOY
- SQLs increased an average of 2,109 percent YOY
- Opportunities increased an average of 2,479 percent YOY

#### FiberTite Newsletter:

- Email subscription growth: an average of 148 percent YOY
- 98.6 percent delivery rate
- 25.82 percent open rate
- 3.27 percent click-through rate

As a result, FiberTite reached its \$100 million sales goal of its combined online inbound marketing and offline sales and marketing efforts.



# **IMPACT**

Implementing an inbound marketing strategy and establishing solid momentum in their flywheel has made a tremendous impact on FiberTite sales, and SyncShow is proud to be a partner in this endeavor. The <u>flywheel</u> is a continuously cyclical experience that keeps prospects, customers and your biggest evangelists engaged through the momentum you've been building and continue to add to over and over again. A flywheel approach coupled with digital communications can be a powerful start to building a customer experience that keeps customers coming back for more.

We look forward to continuing to push the boundaries for FiberTite's inbound sales and marketing efforts in the years to come.

- As we continue to challenge ourselves to grow both domestically and internationally with a focus on specific target markets, SyncShow continues to help us tackle the challenges that we've had and offer solutions for us that will really help both sustain and grow the business. We value the partnership with SyncShow greatly and look forward to continued success in the future.
  - —Ammey Frank, marketing supervisor, Seaman Corporation

Contact us today to learn more about how to increase your leads and brand awareness.



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