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SCOPE OF AGRÉMENT

This Agrément relates to the BecoWallform ICF System (hereinafter the 'System'), an insulated concrete formwork (ICF) building system. The System is suitable for use as permanent insulated formwork for in-situ dense concrete for the formation of loadbearing and non-loadbearing internal, external and separating walls. For use in new, domestic and non-domestic buildings. The System is available in four versions: BecoWallform 250, BecoWallform 313, BecoWallform 375 and BecoWallform 438.

DESCRIPTION

The System comprises a range of multifaceted expanded polystyrene (hereinafter 'EPS') elements including Standard, Firewall and Acoustic, supplemented with lintel, floor edge, 45 ° corner, end and curved wall elements. The inner and outer faces of Standard EPS elements are connected via integral EPS elements or galvanised steel spacers; Firewall and Acoustic EPS elements employ galvanised steel spacers. The System locks together, without the need for intermediate bedding materials, to provide a formwork system into which concrete is placed.

ILLUSTRATION



THIRD-PARTY ACCEPTANCE

See Section 3.3 (Third-Party Acceptance).

STATEMENT

It is the opinion of Kiwa Ltd., that the System is safe and fit for its intended use, provided it is specified, installed and used in accordance with this Agrément.

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SUMMARY OF AGRÉMENT

This document provides independent information to specifiers, building control personnel, contractors, installers and other construction industry professionals considering the safety and fitness for the intended use of the System. This Agrément covers the following:

- Conditions of use;
- Production Control, Quality Management System and the Annual Verification Procedure;
- System components and ancillary items, points of attention for the Specifier and examples of details;
- Installation;
- Independently assessed System characteristics and other information;
- Compliance with national Building Regulations, other regulatory requirements and Third-Party Acceptance, as appropriate;
- Sources.

MAJOR POINTS OF ASSESSMENT

Thermal performance - the System improves the thermal performance of walls and can contribute to satisfying the requirements of the national Building Regulations (see section 2.2.9).

Moisture control - the System will contribute to limiting the risk of condensation and resist moisture transmitted by capillary action (see section 2.2.10).

Fire performance - the System (see section 2.2.11):

- is classified as European Classification E, in accordance with BS EN 13501-1;
- when incorporated in a concrete wall, has fire resistance in accordance with BS EN 1992-1-2.

Strength - the System has adequate strength to resist the loads encountered during installation (see section 2.2.12).

Acoustic performance - walls incorporating the System can provide sound resistance satisfying the national Building Regulations (see section 2.2.13).

Durability - the System shall have a service life durability equivalent to that of the building into which it is incorporated (see section 2.2.14).

UKCA and CE marking - the product manufacturers have responsibility for conformity marking, in accordance with all relevant British and European Product Standards (see section 2.2.15).

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CHAPTER 1 - GENERAL CONSIDERATIONS

1.1 - CONDITIONS OF USE

1.1.1 Design considerations

See section 2.2.

1.1.2 Application

The assessment of the System relates to its use in accordance with this Agrément and the Agrément holder's requirements.

1.1.3 Assessment

Kiwa Ltd. has assessed the System in combination with relevant test reports, technical literature, the Agrément holder's quality plan, DoPs and site visit as appropriate.

1.1.4 Installation supervision

The quality of installation and workmanship must be controlled by a competent person who must be an employee of an Approved Installer.

The System shall be installed strictly in accordance with the instructions of the Agrément holder and the requirements of this Agrément.

1.1.5 Geographical scope

The validity of this document is limited to England, Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland, with due regard to Chapter 3 of this Agrément (CDM, national Building Regulations and Third-Party Acceptance).

1.1.6 Validity

The purpose of this BDA Agrément® is to provide for well-founded confidence to apply the System within the Scope described. The validity of this Agrément is three years after the issue date, and as published on www.kiwa.co.uk/bda.

1.2 - PRODUCTION CONTROL AND QUALITY MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

Kiwa Ltd. has determined that the Agrément holder fulfils all obligations in relation to this Agrément, in respect of the System.

The initial audit demonstrated that the Agrément holder has a satisfactory Quality Management System (QMS) and is committed to continuously improving their quality plan. Document control and record-keeping procedures were deemed satisfactory. A detailed Production Quality Specification (PQS) has been compiled to ensure traceability and compliance under the terms of this Agrément.

1.3 - ANNUAL VERIFICATION PROCEDURE - CONTINUOUS SURVEILLANCE

To demonstrate that the System conforms with the requirements of the technical specification described in this Agrément, an Annual Verification Procedure has been agreed with the Agrément holder in respect of continuous surveillance and assessment, and auditing of the Agrément holder's QMS.

This Agrément does not constitute a design guide for the System. It is intended as an assessment of safety and fitness for purpose only.

2.1 - SYSTEM COMPONENTS AND ANCILLARY ITEMS

2.1.1 Components included within the scope of this Agrément

The following components are integral to the use of the System:

Component [^]		All dimensions in mm			
		Length	Overall Width	Height	Core
BecoWallform 250 System	Standard Wallform	750	250	250	140
	Firewall ^{^^}	1250			
	Acoustic soundstop ^{^^}	500			
	Lintel	Various			
	Floor edge	1250			
	45 ° corner	312.5			
	Curved wall	750			
	End	Various			
BecoWallform 313 System	Standard Wallform	750, 1125	312.5	250	140
	Firewall ^{^^}	1250			140, 200
	Acoustic super soundstop ^{^^}	500			140
	45 ° corner	312.5			140, 200
	Curved wall	Various			140
	End	Various			140
BecoWallform 375 System	Standard Wallform	750	375	250	140
	Firewall ^{^^}	1250			140, 200
	Lintel	Various			140
	Floor edge	1250			140
	45 ° corner	312.5			140, 200
	Curved wall	Various			140
	End	Various			140
	End	Various			140
BecoWallform 438 System	Standard Wallform	750	438	250	140, 200
	Firewall ^{^^}	1250			140
	Lintel	Various			140
	Floor edge	1250			140, 200
	45 ° corner	312.5			140
	Curved wall	Various			140
	End	Various			140
End set	-	140	85, 105	-	
Height adjuster	-	55, 120, 183	62.5	-	
End piece	-	140, 202.5, 265	250	-	

[^] components formed from moulded EPS with compressive strength of 150 kN/m² and density of 28 kg/m³ manufactured in accordance with BS EN 13163

^{^^} integral EPS spacers replaced with galvanised steel spacers

2.1.2 Ancillary items falling outside the scope of this Agrément

Ancillary items detailed in this section may be used in conjunction with the System but fall outside the scope of this Agrément:

- concrete - recommended concrete compressive strength class C25/30 for plain concrete and C35/45 for reinforced concrete;
- waterproofing additive - for concrete;
- damp-proof course (hereinafter 'DPC');
- steel reinforcement - in accordance with BS 4449;
- formwork support system - as recommended by the Agrément holder;
- expanding foam - to fill gaps and repair the EPS elements;
- galvanised steel straps - with screws and plugs;
- internal finishes - drylining;
- external finishes - masonry, render or cladding, as recommended by the Agrément holder;
- fixings - to carry vertical loads;
- cast-in rag bolts - to fix roofing elements to the System.

2.2 - POINTS OF ATTENTION TO THE SPECIFIER

2.2.1 Design responsibility

A Specifier may undertake a project-specific design, in which case it is recommended that the Specifier co-operates closely with the Agrément holder. The Specifier or installing contractor is responsible for the final as-built design.

2.2.2 Applied building physics (heat, air, moisture)

A competent specialist shall check the hygrothermal behaviour of a project-specific design incorporating the System and, if necessary, can offer advice in respect of improvements to achieve the final specification. The Specialist can be either a qualified employee of the Agrément holder or a suitably qualified consultant (in which case it is recommended that the consultant Specialist co-operates closely with the Agrément holder).

2.2.3 General design considerations

The project-specific design shall take into account the requirements of the national Building Regulations - see section 3.2.

Installation of the System shall satisfy the requirements of BS 5975, BS 8000-2.1, BS 8000-2.2 and BS EN 13670.

The System may be progressively installed; part lifts are acceptable.

Concrete shall be in accordance with BS EN 1992-1-1.

Concrete reinforcement shall be in accordance with BS 4449 respectively.

The following are outside the scope of this Agreement:

- foundations, designed to support the completed construction and loads encountered during construction;
- waterproofing, of below-ground constructions subject to groundwater or hydrostatic pressure.

2.2.4 Project-specific design considerations

The project-specific design shall take into account the service life durability required - see section 2.2.14.

No pre-installation survey is required for installation - see section 2.4.3.

A condensation risk analysis (hereinafter 'CRA') shall be completed at project-specific design stage - see Section 2.2.10.

The incorporation of fixings, services and other building elements shall be considered as part of the project-specific design to minimise modifications to the System after installation. Fixings for ancillary items shall penetrate the concrete core. Other detailing can also be incorporated in the construction of the System, subject to the Agrément holder's recommendations.

When specifying fixings designed to support vertical loads on the face of walls incorporating the System, consideration shall be given to the potential deflection of the fixings between the face of the concrete core and the outer face of the EPS elements.

The incorporation of fixings will reduce the thermal performance of walls incorporating the System, in accordance with BS EN ISO 6946. Cold bridging effects shall be considered where services pass through walls incorporating the System.

Care shall be taken not to damage or weaken the EPS elements as this may result in a loss of integrity or overall stability of the System prior to the placement of concrete.

To verify that concrete is adequately compacted, which is of utmost importance in areas such as basement walls and around openings, carefully remove a section of an EPS element to create an inspection aperture. When inspection is complete, the EPS shall be repaired.

2.2.5 Permitted applications

Only applications designed according to the specifications given in this Agrément are permitted. In each case, the Specifier and Installer shall co-operate closely with the Agrément holder.

2.2.6 Installer competence level

The System shall be installed strictly in accordance with the instructions of the Agrément holder and the requirements of this Agrément.

Installation must be by employees trained and approved by the Agrément holder.

2.2.7 Delivery, storage and site handling

The System is delivered to site in suitable packaging, bearing the System name, the Agrément holder's name and the BDA Agrément® logo incorporating the number of this Agrément.

Prior to installation, store the System components in accordance with the Agrément holder's requirements. When required, particular care shall be taken to:

- avoid exposure to direct sunlight for extended periods of time;
- avoid exposure to high or low temperatures for extended periods of time;
- store in a well-ventilated covered area to protect from rain, frost and humidity;
- store away from possible ignition sources;
- avoid exposure to contaminants, particularly volatile organic components (VOCs), hydrocarbons etc.

2.2.8 Maintenance and repair

Once installed, the System does not require regular maintenance. For advice in respect of repair, consult the Agrément holder.

Performance factors in relation to the Major Points of Assessment

2.2.9 Thermal performance

The System can contribute to meeting all required levels and provisions regarding thermal transmittance (hereinafter 'U-value') and thermal resistance, in accordance with the national Building Regulations.

The designed U-value of walls incorporating the System is dependent upon the EPS elements, concrete specification, and internal and external finishes.

The thermal resistance and U-value of building elements incorporating the System shall be calculated according to BS EN ISO 6946 and BRE Report 443, using the thermal conductivity (λ_D) value as detailed in section 2.5.1.

Care shall be taken in the overall design and construction of junctions with other elements and openings, to minimise cold bridging and heat loss by air infiltration. Due consideration shall be given to the Government Accredited Construction Details.

Typical ψ values for the System are < 0.01 W/mK, and 0.006 W/mK at window reveals.

2.2.10 Moisture control

Condensation risk

To assist in minimising the risk of surface and interstitial condensation, a CRA shall be completed at project-specific design stage.

Concrete walls incorporating the System can adequately limit the risk of surface and interstitial condensation when designed in accordance with BS 5250 Annex G and BRE Report 262.

Damp-proofing and waterproofing

The EPS elements do not absorb water by capillary action.

Walls incorporating the System shall be designed to include damp-proofing features extending to at least 150 mm above ground level. These can be either a continuous DPC or a layer of concrete mixed with waterproofing additive, placed within the System. A damp-proof membrane (DPM) shall be incorporated within the floor - see Section 2.3.

2.2.11 Fire performance

The System is classified as European Classification E, in accordance with BS EN 13501-1.

In England, Wales and Northern Ireland, the System shall not be used on buildings with a storey 18 m or more above ground level. Boundary restrictions will depend on external surface materials of the external wall facing the boundary. Refer to the national Building Regulations for types of buildings and any exclusions that may apply.

In Scotland, the System is classified as 'combustible' and shall not be used on buildings with a storey 11 m or more above ground level or less than 1 m from the boundary. In such cases, the System may be excluded from the unprotected area calculation regardless of openings. Refer to the national Building Regulations for types of building and any exclusions that may apply.

For detailed conditions of use regarding requirements for fire resistance of concrete, cavity closers and barriers, fire stopping of service penetrations and combustibility limitations for other materials and components used in the overall wall construction, designers shall refer to the relevant national Building Regulations.

Fire resistance values for reinforced concrete walls incorporating the System, designed in accordance with BS EN 1992-1-1:

- vary according to the thickness of a wall;
- are given in Table 5.4 of BS EN 1992-1-2 up to and including REI 90, subject to cover and design load considerations.

The minimum thickness requirements of plain concrete walls incorporating the System, when acting as a fire wall, are given in clause 5.4.2 of BS EN 1992-1-2.

Any additional protection provided by internal and external finishes are outside the scope of this Agrément.

The System shall be separated or shielded from any heat-emitting devices, flue pipes or chimneys, and any potential source of ignition by non-combustible insulation, in accordance with the provisions of the national Building Regulations.

2.2.12 Strength

Concrete walls incorporating the System shall be designed in accordance with the relevant recommendations and limit principles defined in BS EN 1990, to loadings defined in:

- BS EN 1991-1-1;
- BS EN 1991-1-2;
- BS EN 1991-1-3;
- BS EN 1991-1-4;
- BS EN 1991-1-5;
- BS EN 1991-1-6;
- BS EN 1991-1-7;
- BS EN 1992-1-1;
- BS EN 1992-1-2.

A suitably qualified structural engineer shall ensure that foundations are adequate to support the intended loads.

The System shall be progressively installed in a series of storey-height continuous lifts, or part lifts where necessary. Due care and attention shall be given to ensuring alignment of the System during concrete placement. The Agrément holder's recommended formwork support system shall be used to provide stability and facilitate alignment throughout installation.

Concrete shall achieve flow class F3 in accordance with BS EN 206 to ensure free flow through complex details.

The System shall be used in conjunction with concrete compressive strength class:

- C25/30 for plain concrete;
- C35/45 for reinforced concrete.

Concrete shall be fully compacted in accordance with BS EN 1992-1-1. Consult the Agrément holder with regard to compaction by vibration.

Coverage of steel reinforcement shall be suitable for the environmental exposure condition for the concrete.

In accordance with BS EN 1992-1-1, walls incorporating the System may be classified as:

- plain concrete;
- reinforced concrete.

Where the project-specific design includes an outer leaf of brickwork or stonework, this shall be tied with wall ties into the concrete core formed within the System.

To ensure the stability of the System during and after placement of concrete, the System shall be supported by the Agrément holder’s recommended formwork support system.

2.2.13 Acoustic performance

The core of separating concrete walls incorporating the System will achieve a required minimum mass per unit area of 300 kg/m³ when the core density is greater than 2200 kg/m³ with a thickness of 159 mm, together with a single layer of plasterboard on each side. When used in conjunction with suitable framing, lining and flanking details, this specification satisfies the requirements of a Type 3 wall, as defined in national Building Regulations.

Concrete walls incorporating the System shall have a minimum mass per unit area of 120 kg/m² (excluding finishes) when specified as:

- internal walls;
- walls flanking separating walls;
- rooms for residential purposes.

Concrete walls incorporating the System:

- can provide sound resistance satisfying the national Building Regulations;
- will not exhibit reduced acoustic performance.

Pre-completion testing shall be undertaken on separating concrete walls incorporating the System in accordance with the documents supporting the national Building Regulations.

2.2.14 Durability

The System shall have a service life durability equivalent to that of the building into which it is incorporated. The expected lifespan of the building itself should be at least 60-years.

2.2.15 UKCA and CE marking

There is no relevant product standard for the System.

2.3 - EXAMPLES OF TYPICAL DETAILS

Diagram 1 - 313 Wallform

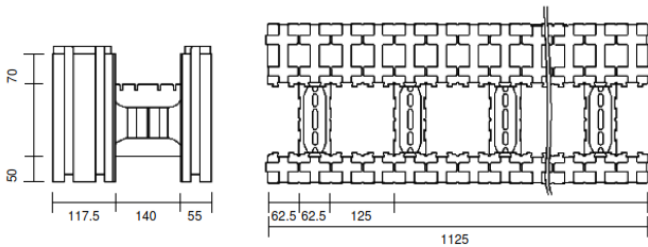


Diagram 2 - 313 Firewall block

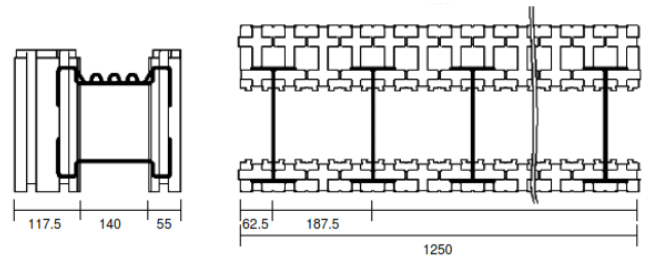


Diagram 3 - 313 Acoustic super soundstop block

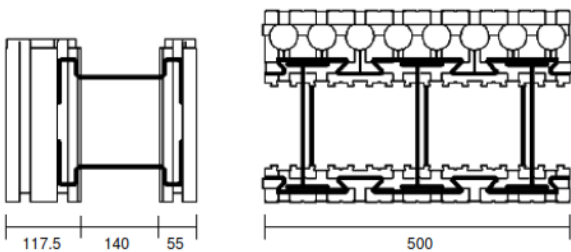


Diagram 4 - 250 Lintel block

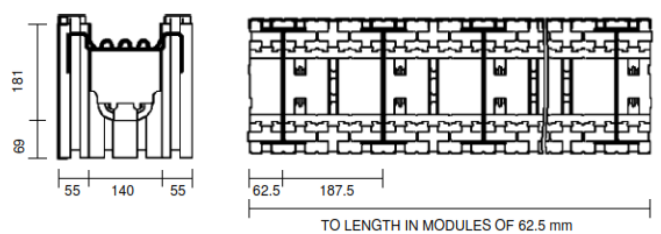


Diagram 5 - Typical detail of DPC construction

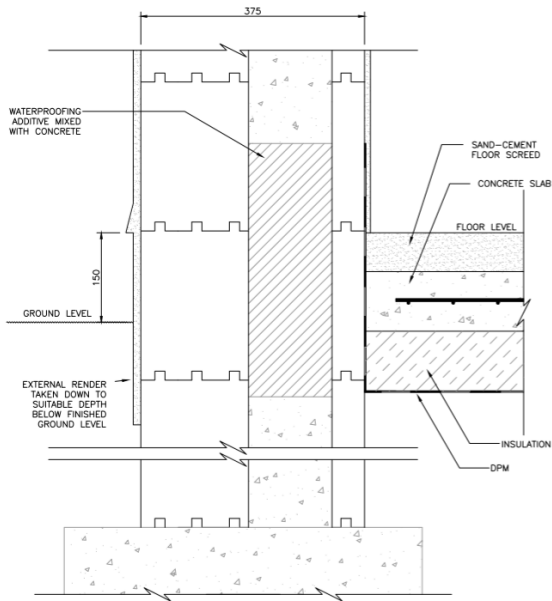


Diagram 6 - Typical concrete floor detail

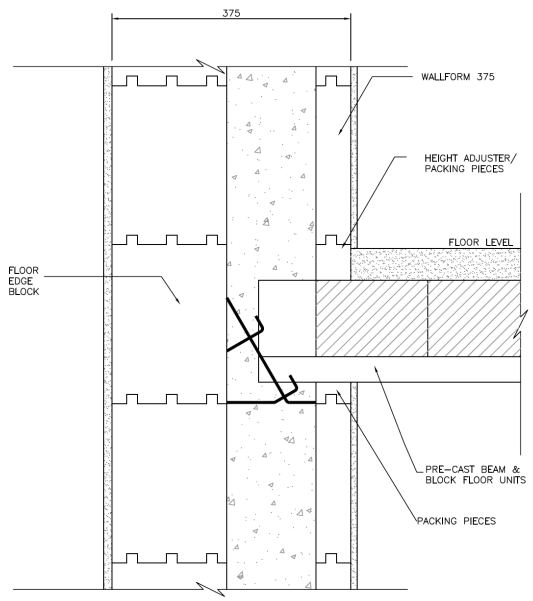


Diagram 7 - Typical detail of door/window opening

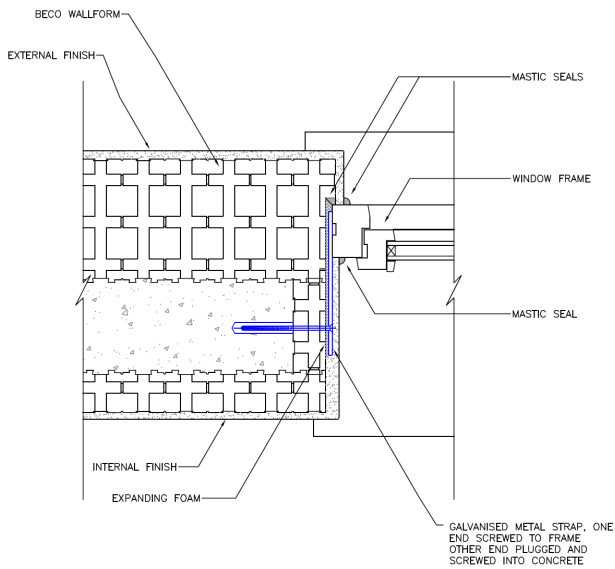


Diagram 8 - Typical detail of door/window opening (section)

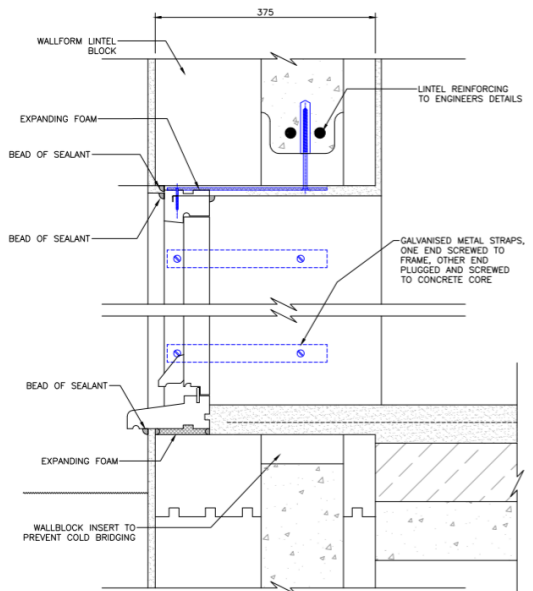


Diagram 9 - Typical timber floor joist detail

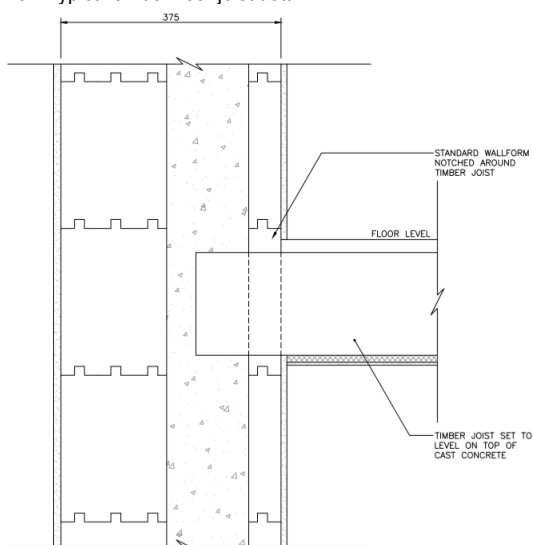
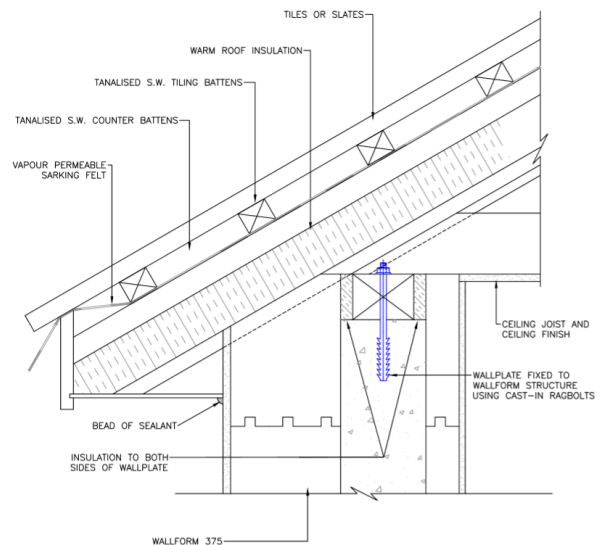


Diagram 10 - Typical wall-roof interface detail



The System shall be installed strictly in accordance with the instructions (hereinafter 'Installation Manual') of the Agrément holder and the requirements of this Agrément.

2.4.1 Installer competence level

See section 2.2.6.

2.4.2 Delivery, storage and site handling

See section 2.2.7.

2.4.3 Project-specific installation considerations

No pre-installation survey is required for the installation of the System.

2.4.4 Preparation

The following considerations apply before starting the work:

- allowance shall be made for waste when calculating quantities for installation of the System;
- the EPS elements may be cut using a hand saw or hot wire cutter;
- concrete shall be supplied from companies accredited by the Quality Scheme for Ready Mixed Concrete (QSRMC), BSI or equivalent schemes;
- the temperature of concrete being placed shall be in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations;
- structural features such as roofs and floors shall be supported by mechanical fixings and bracketry cast into the concrete core during concrete placement or drilled into the concrete core after curing;
- the thickness of the EPS elements shall not be reduced (e.g. chased for services) before the concrete has been placed as it will substantially weaken the strength of the System;
- additional props or bracing may be required when the height of concrete to be placed exceeds 1 m or when installing on exposed sites or in strong winds;
- the concrete specification shall be verified as correct and well mixed before placement; deliveries shall be checked for concrete slump in accordance with BS EN 206.

The following works shall be undertaken before the installation of the System:

- foundations on which the System is to be installed shall be clean and level;
- where foundations are required to be stepped, steps shall be in multiples of 250 mm to correspond with the height of the EPS elements;
- where the specified elevation height is not a multiple of the standard System component height, the System can be adjusted by cutting or trimming the:
 - bottom course of the System components;
 - top off the highest course of the System components.

2.4.5 Outline installation procedure

The detailed installation sequence can be found in full in the Agrément holder's Installation Manual.

The key sequence for installation is:

- assemble the System:
 - mark out the perimeter of the project-specific design;
 - check the foundations, which shall be level, smooth, cleaned-off and within a tolerance of ± 10 mm in any direction; any deviations shall be made good prior to placement of the EPS elements;
 - loosely lay the first course of EPS elements; any EPS elements which need cutting shall be in the middle of the wall;
 - lay the second course in a stretcher bond; vertical joints shall be staggered at least a quarter (preferably half) of the length of the EPS elements;
 - continue laying each course up to the level of the first layer of concrete to be placed;
 - incorporate steel reinforcement as required;
 - install any necessary ducts and seal gaps between ducts and EPS elements using expanding foam to prevent concrete leaking and to mitigate any cold bridging effects;
 - install the Agrément holder's recommended formwork support system as work progresses;
 - mark the positions of wall ties and any other concrete inserts;
 - protect the top edges of the EPS elements to prevent concrete contamination and physical damage during placement of the concrete.
- placement of concrete:
 - the maximum height of a wall during each placement of concrete shall not exceed 3 m;
 - concrete shall not fall freely more than 2 m;
 - deliver the concrete at a rate of 1 m per hour;
 - when manually placing concrete, it is recommended that the EPS elements are installed and filled in stages approximately 1 m high, to maintain close control over the filling and compaction process;
 - first place the concrete under window openings and then progressively around the wall;
 - ensure concrete flows smoothly and fills the System progressively and completely;
 - ensure concrete around steel reinforcement does not displace the reinforcement;
 - place concrete into lintels as a single operation without joints;
 - arrange horizontal cold joints at the height of the floor where possible; install vertical starter bars if required by the Structural Engineer. Any laitance and loose concrete shall be removed and cold joints sufficiently pre-wetted before pouring additional concrete;
 - externally tamp the concrete, e.g. using a short length of timber; this will achieve compaction and audibly indicate any voids (such as where ducts or steel reinforcement interrupt the cavity and restrict the smooth flow of concrete); pay particular attention to ensuring that concrete is properly compacted around lintel reinforcement;
 - after placement of concrete, check the wall line and level; if any movement has occurred, apply even and regular pressure to the face of the wall to correct it and then apply temporary bracing support;
 - clean any spillage off the exposed faces of the EPS elements while the concrete is still wet.

2.4.6 Finishing

The following finishing is required on completion of the installation:

- once placing of the concrete has been completed, cover any exposed concrete to prevent it drying too quickly;
- only backfill around the bottom of concrete walls incorporating the System after concrete has adequately cured;
- prior to the application of internal and external finishes (such as render or cladding), care shall be taken to protect concrete walls incorporating the System from damage. Finishes fall outside the scope of this Agrément;
- ensure that fixings for ancillary items penetrate the concrete core.

2.5 - INDEPENDENTLY ASSESSED SYSTEM CHARACTERISTICS

2.5.1 Thermal performance

Test	Standard	Result
Thermal conductivity (λ_D)	BS EN 13163	0.038 W/mK

2.5.2 Moisture control

Test	Standard	Result
Water vapour resistance (μ) of EPS element	BS EN 12524	60

2.5.3 Fire performance

Test	Standard	Result
Reaction to fire of EPS element	BS EN 13501-1	E

2.5.4 Efficiency of filling concrete

Test	Standard	Result
Efficiency of filling concrete	ETAG 009	Satisfactory

CHAPTER 3 - CDM, NATIONAL BUILDING REGULATIONS AND THIRD-PARTY ACCEPTANCE

3.1 - THE CONSTRUCTION (DESIGN AND MANAGEMENT) REGULATIONS 2015 AND THE CONSTRUCTION (DESIGN AND MANAGEMENT) REGULATIONS (NORTHERN IRELAND) 2016

Information in this Agrément may assist the client, Principal Designer/CDM co-ordinator, designer and contractors to address their obligations under these Regulations.

3.2 - THE NATIONAL BUILDING REGULATIONS

In the opinion of Kiwa Ltd., the System, if installed and used in accordance with Chapter 2 of this Agrément, can satisfy or contribute to satisfying the relevant requirements of the following national Building Regulations.

This Agrément shall not be construed to confer compliance of any project-specific design with the national Building Regulations.

3.2.1 - ENGLAND THE BUILDING REGULATIONS 2010 AND SUBSEQUENT AMENDMENTS

- B3(4) Internal fire spread (structure) - the System can contribute to inhibiting the unseen spread of fire and smoke within concealed spaces
- B4(1) External fire spread - the System can contribute to resisting the spread of fire over walls and from one building to another
- C2(c) Resistance to moisture - the System can adequately limit the risk of surface condensation and contribute to minimising the risk of interstitial condensation
- E1 Protection against sound from other parts of the building and adjoining buildings - walls formed from the System can provide reasonable resistance to sound
- E2(a) Protection against sound within a dwelling-house etc. - walls formed from the System can provide reasonable resistance to sound
- L1(a)(i) Conservation of fuel and power - the System can contribute to limiting heat gains and losses through walls
- Regulation 7(1) Materials and workmanship - the System is manufactured from suitably safe and durable materials for their application and can be installed to give a satisfactory performance
- Regulation 26 CO₂ emission rates for new buildings - the System will contribute to satisfying this Regulation
- Regulation 26A Fabric energy efficiency rates for new dwellings - the System will contribute to satisfying this Regulation

3.2.2 - WALES THE BUILDING REGULATIONS 2010 AND SUBSEQUENT AMENDMENTS

- B3(4) Internal fire spread (structure) - the System can contribute to inhibiting the unseen spread of fire and smoke within concealed spaces
- B4(1) External fire spread - the System can contribute to resisting the spread of fire over walls and from one building to another
- C2(c) Resistance to moisture - the System can adequately limit the risk of surface condensation and contribute to minimising the risk of interstitial condensation
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- Regulation 7(1) Materials and workmanship - the System is manufactured from suitably safe and durable materials for their application, and can be installed to give a satisfactory performance
- Regulation 26 CO₂ emission rates for new buildings - the System will contribute to satisfying this Regulation
- Regulation 26A Primary energy consumption rates for new buildings - the System will contribute to satisfying this Regulation
- Regulation 26B Fabric performance values for new dwellings - the System will contribute to satisfying this Regulation

3.2.3 - SCOTLAND THE BUILDING (SCOTLAND) REGULATIONS 2004 AND SUBSEQUENT AMENDMENTS

3.2.3.1 Regulation 8 (1) Durability, workmanship and fitness of materials

- The System is manufactured from acceptable materials and is adequately resistant to deterioration and wear under normal service conditions, provided it is installed in accordance with the requirements of this Agrément

3.2.3.2 Regulation 9 Building Standards - construction

- 1.1(a)(b) Structure - the System can sustain and transmit design loads to the ground
- 2.1 Compartmentation - the System can contribute to inhibiting fire and smoke from spreading beyond the compartment of origin
- 2.2 Separation - the System can contribute to inhibiting fire and smoke from spreading beyond the area of occupation where a fire originates
- 2.4 Cavities - the System can contribute to inhibiting the unseen spread of fire and smoke within concealed spaces
- 2.6 Spread to neighbouring buildings - the System can contribute to inhibiting the spread of fire to neighbouring buildings
- 2.8 Spread from neighbouring buildings - the System can contribute to inhibiting the spread of fire from neighbouring buildings
- 3.15 Condensation - the System will contribute to limiting the risk of surface and interstitial condensation
- 6.2 Building insulation envelope - the System will contribute to the insulation envelope to resist thermal transfer
- 7.1(a)(b) Statement of sustainability - the System can contribute to satisfying the relevant Requirements of Regulation 9, Standards 1 to 6, and will therefore contribute to a construction meeting a bronze level of sustainability as defined in this Standard. In addition, the Product can contribute to a construction meeting a higher level of sustainability, as defined in this Standard

3.2.3.3 Regulation 12 Building standards - conversions

- All comments given under Regulation 9 also apply to this Regulation, with reference to Schedule 6 of the Building (Scotland) Regulations 2004 and subsequent amendments and clause 0.12 of the Technical Handbook (Domestic) and clause 0.12 of the Technical Handbook (Non-Domestic)

3.2.4 - NORTHERN IRELAND

THE BUILDING REGULATIONS (NORTHERN IRELAND) 2012 AND SUBSEQUENT AMENDMENTS

- 23(1)(a)(i)(iii)(b) Fitness of materials and workmanship - the System is manufactured from materials which are considered to be suitably safe and acceptable for use
- 29 Condensation - the System can adequately limit the risk of surface condensation and contribute to minimising the risk of interstitial condensation
- 35(4) Internal fire spread (structure) - the System can contribute to inhibiting the unseen spread of fire and smoke within concealed spaces
- 36(a) External fire spread - the System can contribute to resisting the spread of fire over walls and from one building to another
- 39(a)(i) Conservation measures - the System can contribute to limiting heat gains and losses through walls
- 40(2) Target carbon dioxide emission rate - the System will contribute to reducing carbon dioxide emissions of a building
- 49 Resistance to the passage of sound - the System can contribute to satisfying this Regulation
- 50(a)(b) Protection against sound within a dwelling or room for residential purposes - the System can contribute to satisfying this Regulation
- 51 Reverberation in the common internal parts of a buildings containing flats or rooms for residential purposes - the System can contribute to satisfying this Regulation

3.3 - THIRD-PARTY ACCEPTANCE

In the opinion of Kiwa Ltd. if installed, used, and maintained in accordance with this Agrément, this System can satisfy the appropriate structural, fire, moisture, thermal, acoustic and durability requirements of a Structural Warranty provider. Please contact the relevant Structural Warranty provider to ascertain their project specific design requirements and to confirm their acceptance on a case-by-case basis.

CHAPTER 4 - SOURCES

- BS EN ISO 6946:2017 Building components and building elements. Thermal resistance and thermal transmittance. Calculation methods
- BS EN 206:2013+A1:2016 Concrete - Specification, performance, production and conformity
- BS EN 520:2004+A1:2009 Gypsum plasterboards. Definitions, requirements and test methods
- BS EN 845-1:2013+A1:2016 Specification for ancillary components for masonry. Wall ties, tension straps, hangers and brackets
- BS EN 1990:2002+A1:2005 Eurocode. Basis of structural design
- NA to BS EN 1990:2002+A1:2005 UK National Annex for Eurocode. Basis of structural design
- BS EN 1991-1-1:2002 Eurocode 1. Actions on structures. General actions. Densities, self-weight, imposed loads for buildings
- NA to BS EN 1991-1-1:2002 UK National Annex to Eurocode 1. Actions on structures. General actions. Densities, self-weight, imposed loads for buildings
- BS EN 1991-1-2:2002 Eurocode 1. Actions on structures. General actions. Actions on structures exposed to fire
- NA to BS EN 1991-1-2:2002 UK National Annex to Eurocode 1. Actions on structures. General actions
- BS EN 1991-1-3:2003+A1:2015 Eurocode 1. Actions on structures. General actions. Snow loads
- NA+A2:18 to BS EN 1991-1-3:2003+A1:2015 UK National Annex to Eurocode 1: Actions on structures. General actions. Snow loads
- BS EN 1991-1-4:2005+A1:2010 Eurocode 1. Actions on structures. General actions. Wind actions
- NA to BS EN 1991-1-4:2005+A1:2010 UK National Annex to Eurocode 1. Actions on structures. General actions
- BS EN 1991-1-5:2003 Eurocode 1. Actions on structures. General actions. Thermal actions
- NA to BS EN 1991-1-5:2003 UK National Annex to Eurocode 1. Actions on structures. General actions
- BS EN 1991-1-6:2005 Eurocode 1. Actions on structures. General actions. Actions during execution
- NA to BS EN 1991-1-6:2005 UK National Annex to Eurocode 1. Actions on structures. General actions
- BS EN 1991-1-7:2006+A1:2014 Eurocode 1. Actions on structures. General actions
- BS EN 1992-1-1:2004+A1:2014 Eurocode 2. Design of concrete structures. General rules and rules for buildings
- NA+A2:14 to BS EN 1992-1-1:2004+A1:2014 UK National Annex to Eurocode 2. Design of concrete structures. General rules and rules for buildings
- BS EN 1992-1-2:2004+A1:2019 Eurocode 2. Design of concrete structures. General rules. Structural fire design
- NA to BS EN 1992-1-2:2004 UK National Annex to Eurocode 2. Design of concrete structures. General rules
- BS EN 1996-1-2:2005 Eurocode 6. Design of masonry structures. General rules. Structural fire design
- NA to BS EN 1996-1-2:2005 UK National Annex to Eurocode 6. Design of masonry structures. General rules. Structural fire design
- BS EN 12524:2000 Building materials and products. Hygrothermal properties. Tabulated design values
- BS EN 13163:2012+A2:2016 Thermal insulation products for buildings. Factory made expanded polystyrene (EPS) products. Specification
- BS EN 13501-1:2018 Fire classification of construction products and building elements. Classification using data from reaction to fire tests
- BS EN 13670:2009 Execution of concrete structures
- BS EN 13914-1:2016 Design, preparation and application of external rendering and internal plastering. External rendering
- BS 4449:2005+A3:2016 Steel for the reinforcement of concrete. Weldable reinforcing steel. Bar, coil and decoiled product. Specification
- BS 5250:2011+A1:2016 Code of practice for control of condensation in buildings
- BS 5975:2019 Code of practice for temporary works procedures and the permissible stress design of falsework
- BS 8000-2.1:1990 Workmanship on building sites. Code of practice for concrete work. Mixing and transporting concrete
- BS 8000-2.2:1990 Workmanship on building sites. Code of practice for concrete work. Sitework with in situ and precast concrete
- BS 8212:1995 Code of practice for dry lining and partitioning using gypsum plasterboard
- BRE Report 262:2002 Thermal insulation: avoiding risks
- BRE Report 443:2006 Conventions for U-value calculations
- ETAG 009:2002 Guideline for European Technical Approval of non-loadbearing permanent shuttering kits/systems based on hollow blocks or panels of insulating materials and sometimes concrete

Remark - Apart from these sources, technical information and confidential reports have been assessed; any relevant documents are in the possession of Kiwa Ltd. and kept in the Technical Assessment File of this Agrément. The Installation Manual for the System may be subject to change, and the Agrément holder should be contacted for clarification of revisions.

CHAPTER 5 - AMENDMENT HISTORY

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