



INFORMATION SHEET 9652

□ FIXINGS

Subsequent to damp proofing there are a number of considerations to remember when reinstating or second fixing etc.

1. Where a damp proof course injection system has been installed only, there are **no** special requirements appertaining to second fixing/reinstatement etc, and therefore any means of second fixing to this regard will be acceptable.
2. Where a damp proof membrane has been applied vertically, and particularly where the vertical damp proof membrane is under ground pressure i.e. a basement situation, the vertical damp proof membrane must not be punctured by means of nails or screws, and alternative fixings must be considered. This could include suitable adhesive i.e. Gripfill or specialised damp proofing plugs which may be either fitted or obtained from Bensleys Timber Maintenance Company Ltd, at an additional cost to estimates supplied.
3. Where a damp proof membrane has been applied vertically, and the membrane is above ground level and in particular where in association with the damp proof membrane a horizontal damp proof course has been injected, refixing must again be carefully considered, and although ideally as per item 2, a suitable adhesive such as Gripfill should be used for second fixing and reinstatement, as an alternative Bensleys Timbers Maintenance Company Ltd will accept drilled holes with a silicone mastic solution, plastic rawl plugs, and stainless steel screws.
4. Where fixings i.e. picture hooks enter the depth of the wall plaster only and do not go beyond the depth of the wall plaster into the membrane this is acceptable.

Should clients have any queries or require any further instructions or advice on these matters, it is important they contact our office or take advice from one of our surveyors or specialist trained operatives, and if necessary obtain confirmation of fixing instruction in writing, so as not to compromise any guarantees offered.