

Building Regulations Specification

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BUILDING REGULATIONS NOTES

NOTICE OF COMMENCEMENT

A notice of commencement is to be submitted to Building Control within 5 days of work being regarded as commenced, under regulation 16 of The Building Regulations etc. (Amendment) (England) Regulations 2010.

Work will be deemed to have commenced when the build has progressed to at least one of the following:

For complex buildings – Foundations are constructed, and the structure of the lowest floor level is complete.

For new buildings and horizontal extensions - Sub surface structure of the building or the extension including all foundations and the structure of the ground floor level is completed.

For all other works – constructed 15% of the overall work.

MATERIALS AND WORKMANSHIP

All works are to be carried out in a workmanlike manner. All materials and workmanship must comply with Regulation 7 of the Building Regulations, all relevant British Standards, European Standards, Agreement Certificates, Product Certification of Schemes (Kite Marks) etc. Products conforming to a European technical standard or harmonised European product should have a CE marking.

The latest edition of the British Standard (including any amendments) applies to any undated references within these specifications.

SITE PREPARATION

Ground to be prepared for new works by removing all unsuitable material, vegetable matter and tree or shrub roots to a suitable depth to prevent future growth. Seal up, cap off, disconnect and remove existing redundant services as necessary. Reasonable precautions must also be taken to avoid danger to health and safety caused by contaminants and ground gases, e.g. landfill gases, radon, vapours etc. on or in the ground covered, or to be covered by the building.

LINTELS

- For uniformly distributed loads and standard 2 storey domestic loadings only

Lintel widths are to be equal to wall thickness. All lintels over 750mm sized internal door openings to be 65mm deep pre-stressed concrete plank lintels. 150mm deep lintels are to be used for 900mm sized internal door openings. Lintels to have a minimum bearing of 150mm on each end. Any existing lintels carrying additional loads are to be exposed for inspection at commencement of work on site. All pre-stressed concrete lintels to be designed and manufactured in accordance with BS EN 1992-1-1:2023 Eurocode 2, with a concrete strength of 50 or 40 N/mm² and incorporating steel strands to BS 5896 to support loadings assessed to BS EN 845-2:2013.

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For other structural openings provide proprietary insulated steel lintels suitable for spans and loadings in compliance with Approved Document A and lintel manufacturer's standard tables. Stop ends, DPC trays and weep holes to be provided above all externally located lintels.

Independent lintels to have an insulated cavity closure between the inner and outer lintel.

OPENINGS AND RETURNS

An opening or recess greater than 0.1m² shall be at least 550mm from the supported wall (measured internally).

TRENCH FOUNDATION

Provide 750mm x 600mm trench fill foundations, concrete mix to conform to BS EN 206:2013 (+A2:2021) and BS 8004:2015 Code of practice for foundations (+A1:2020). All foundations to be a minimum of 1000mm below ground level, exact depth to be agreed on site with Building Control Officer to suit site conditions. All constructed in accordance with 2010 Building Regulations A1/2 and BS 8004 Code of Practice for Foundations (+A1:2020). Ensure foundations are constructed below invert level of any adjacent drains. Base of foundations supporting internal walls to be min 600mm below ground level. Sulphate resistant cement to be used if required. Please note that should any adverse soil conditions or difference in soil type be found, or any major tree roots in excavations, the Building Control Officer is to be contacted and the advice of a Structural Engineer should be sought.

WALLS BELOW GROUND

All new walls below ground to be constructed using blockwork compliant with BS EN 771 and suitable for below ground level or semi engineering brickwork. Walls to be built using 1:4 masonry mortar mix or equal approved specification to BS EN 1996-1-1. Cavities below ground level to be filled with lean mix concrete min 225mm below damp proof course. Or provide lean mix backfill at base of cavity wall (150mm below damp course) laid to fall to weepholes.

SOLID FLOOR INSULATION UNDER SLAB

To meet min U value required of 0.18 W/m²K

P/A ratio 0.5

Solid ground floor to consist of 150mm consolidated well-rammed hardcore, blinded with 50mm sand blinding. Provide a 1200 gauge polythene DPM, DPM to be lapped in with DPC in walls. Floor to be insulated over DPM with 90mm thick Celotex GA4000 insulation.

25mm insulation to continue around floor perimeters to avoid thermal bridging. A VCL should be laid over the insulation boards and turned up 100mm at room perimeters behind the skirting, all joints to be lapped by 150mm and sealed, provide 100mm ST2 or Gen2 ground bearing slab concrete mix to conform to BS 8500-2:2023 and BS EN 206 over VCL. Finish with 65mm sand/cement finishing screed with light mesh reinforcement.

Where drain runs pass under new floor, provide A142 mesh 1.0m wide within bottom of slab min 50mm concrete cover over length of drain.

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Where existing suspended timber floor air bricks are covered by new extension, ensure cross-ventilation is maintained by connecting to 100mm dia UPVC pipes to terminate at new 65mm x 215mm air bricks built into new cavity wall with 100mm concrete cover laid under the extension. Ducts to be sleeved through cavity with cavity tray over.

FULL FILL CAVITY WALL

To achieve minimum U Value of 0.18 W/m²K

New cavity wall to comprise of 103mm suitable facing brick. Full fill the cavity with 150mm Dritherm 32 insulation as manufacturer's details. Inner leaf constructed using 100mm lightweight block, 0.15 W/m²K, e.g. Celcon solar, Thermalite turbo. Internal finish to be 12.5mm plasterboard on dabs. Walls to be built with 1:1:6 cement mortar.

DPC

Provide horizontal strip polymer (hyload) damp proof course to both internal and external skins, DPC to be placed a minimum 150mm above external ground level. New DPC to be made continuous with existing DPC's and with floor DPM. Vertical DPC to be installed at all reveals where cavity is closed.

WALL TIES

All walls constructed using stainless steel vertical twist type retaining wall ties built in at 750mm ctrs horizontally, 450mm vertically and 225mm ctrs at reveals and corners in staggered rows. Wall ties to be suitable for cavity width and in accordance with BS EN 845-1:2013.

Wall ties for cavities over 150mm to be suitable for cavity width, and installed as manufacturer's details.

EXISTING TO NEW WALL

Cavities in new wall to be made continuous with existing, where possible, to ensure continuous weather break. If a continuous cavity cannot be achieved, where new walls abuts the existing walls provide a movement joint with vertical DPC. All tied into existing construction with suitable proprietary stainless steel profiles.

CAVITY BARRIERS

30 minute fire resistant cavity barriers to be provided around openings, at tops of walls, gable end walls, vertically at junctions with separating walls and horizontally at separating floors. Cavity trays to be provided over barriers where required. Trays and cavity barriers to be installed according to manufacturer's details.

PITCHED ROOF INSULATION AT CEILING LEVEL

Pitch 22-45° (imposed load max 0.75 kN/m² - dead load max 0.75 kN/m²)

To achieve U value of 0.15 W/m²K

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Timber roof structures to be designed by an Engineer in accordance with NHBC Technical Requirement R5 Structural Design. Calculations to be based on BS EN 1995-1-1:2004 Eurocode 5: Design of timber structures (+A2:2014). Roofing tiles to match existing on 25 x 38mm tanalised sw treated battens on breathable felt supported on 47 x 125mm grade C24 rafters at max 600mm centres, max span 2.74m. Rafters supported on 100 x 50mm sw wall plates.

Insulation at ceiling level to be two layers of Rockwool insulation to total 300mm laid between over joists (cross direction).

Construct ceiling using sw joists 47 x 145mm at 600mm centres, finished internally with 12.5mm plasterboard and min 3mm thistle multi-finish plaster. Provide polythene vapour barrier between insulation and plasterboard. Provide cavity tray where roof meets existing wall.

Where required provide opening at eaves level at least equal to continuous strip 25mm wide on two opposite sides to promote cross-ventilation and provide mono pitched roofs with ridge/high level ventilation equivalent to a 5mm gap via proprietary tile vents spaced in accordance with manufacturers details.

Restraint strapping - 100mm x 50mm wall plate strapped down to walls. Ceiling joists and rafters to be strapped to walls and gable walls, straps built into cavity, across at least 3 timbers with noggins. All straps to be 1200 x 30 x 5mm galvanized straps or other approved to BS EN 845-1 (+A1:2016) at 2m centres.

Loft hatches should be suitable designed and installed to ensure optimum air tightness.

THIS IS A GENERAL GUIDE BASED ON NORMAL LOADING CONDITIONS FOUND IN DOMESTIC CONSTRUCTION. IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO ASSESS YOUR DESIGN TO ASCERTAIN WHETHER ENGINEER'S DETAILS/CALCULATIONS ARE REQUIRED. PLEASE REFER TO THE TRADA DOCUMENT – 'SPAN TABLES FOR SOLID TIMBER MEMBERS IN FLOORS, CEILINGS AND ROOFS FOR DWELLINGS' OR ASK YOUR BUILDING CONTROL OFFICER FOR ADVICE.

LEAD VALLEYS

Lead-lined valleys to be formed using Code 5 lead sheet. Valley lead and two tiling fillets to be supported on min 19mm thick and 225mm wide marine ply valley boards on either side of the rafters. Lead to be laid in lengths not exceeding 1.5m with min 150mm lap joints and be dressed 200mm under the tiles.

Roofing tiles to be bedded in mortar placed on a tile slip to prevent direct contact. Valley to have a minimum 100mm wide channel (125mm minimum for pitches below 30°).

All work to be in accordance with the roof cladding manufacturer's details and BS 5534 and BS EN 12588.

INTERNAL LIGHTING

Install low energy light fittings that only take lamps having a luminous efficiency better than 80 lumens per circuit watt. All fixed to have lighting capacity (lm) 185 x total floor area, to comply with Part L of the current Building Regulations and the Domestic Building Services Compliance Guide.

NEW AND REPLACEMENT WINDOWS

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New and replacement windows to be double glazed with 16-20mm argon gap and soft coat low-E glass. Window Energy Rating to be Band B or better and to achieve U-value of 1.4 W/m²K. The door and window openings should be limited to 25% of the extension floor area plus the area of any existing openings covered by the extension.

Insulated plasterboard to be used in reveals to abut jambs and to be considered within reveal soffits. Fully insulated and continuous cavity closers to be used around reveals.

Windows and door frames to be taped to surrounding openings using air sealing tape.

Windows to be fitted with trickle vents to provide adequate background ventilation in accordance with Approved Document F.

NEW AND REPLACEMENT DOORS

New and replacement doors to achieve a U-Value of 1.4W/m²K. Glazed areas to be double glazed with 16-20mm argon gap and soft low-E glass. Glass to be toughened or laminated safety glass to BS 6206, BS EN 14179 or BS EN ISO 12543-1 and Part K of the current Building Regulations.

Insulated plasterboard to be used in reveals to abut jambs and to be considered within reveal soffits. Fully insulated and continuous cavity closers to be used around reveals.

Windows and door frames to be taped to surrounding openings using air sealing tape.

RAINWATER DRAINAGE

New rainwater goods to be new 110mm UPVC half round gutters taken and connected into 68mm dia UPVC downpipes. Rainwater taken to new soakaway, situated a min distance of 5.0m away from any building, via 110mm dia UPVC pipes surrounded in 150mm granular fill. Soakaway to be min of 1 cubic metre capacity (or to depth to Local Authority approval), filled with suitable granular fill and provided with geotextile surround to prevent migration of fines. If necessary carry out a porosity test to determine design and depth of soakaway.