# March 2020 Update Pack

Dear Colleague,

Thank you for downloading the March update – the first one of the new decade.

This update includes a new robust details® separating floor type:

**E-FC-19** uses precast concrete planks with Cellecta's RUBBER*fon*<sup>®</sup> Impact 6 resilient layer system underneath a minimum 65mm cement:sand screed.

Staying with separating floors, an FFT2 option using resilient cradles and battens has been added to the generic I-joist E-FT-1; and to the generic metal-web joist E-FT-3. Also, the proprietary E-FT-5 floor, using ScreedBoard<sup>®</sup> 28 can now be specified with 235mm deep I-joists, provided a second ceiling is fitted – the original minimum 240mm I-joists must still be used where there is no second ceiling.

#### Please update your October 2019, 4th Edition Handbook as follows:

- 1. Remove and replace **all pages** of the Introduction.
- 2. Remove and replace all pages of E-WM-8, E-WM-14 and E-WM-15.
- 3. Remove and replace all pages of E-WM-31.
- 4. Remove and replace page 1/2 and page 5/6 of E-FC-18.
- 5. Remove and replace **all pages** of E-FC-19.
- 6. Remove and replace **all pages** of E-FT-1, E-FT-3 and E-FT-5.
- 7. Remove and replace **page 7/8** of Appendix A2.

Yours sincerely

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# Changes to the fourth edition following March 2020 update

| Section                       | Page  | Amendment  | Section                      | Page  | Amendment  |
|-------------------------------|-------|--|------------------------------|-------|--|
| Introductio                   | on    |  | Separating                   | a Flo | or – Timber  |
| Table 2                       | 5     | New floor type, E-FC-19 added.   | E-FT-1                       |       |  |
| Table 3a                      | 6     | New floor type, E-FC-19 added with valid combinations.   | Floating floor<br>treatments | 5     | FFT2 cradle systems added as an option.                        |
| Table 5                       | 8     | New floor type, E-FC-19 added with relevant note.  | Services<br>through floor    | 6     | Section 7 moved from previous page.                            |
| Table 6b                      | 11    | New floor type, E-FC-19 added with valid combinations.   | E-FT-3                       |       |  |
| Table 7                       | 12    | New floor type, E-FC-19 added with valid combinations.   | Floating floor treatments    | 7     | FFT2 cradle systems added as an option.                        |
| Separating                    | g Wa  | II – Masonry   | Services<br>through floor    | 8     | Section 11 moved from previous page.                           |
| E-WM-8                        |       |  | E-FT-5                       |       |  |
| All                           | 1     | Asterisks and footnote added   | Isometric                    | 1     | Minimum joist depth amended.                                   |
|                               |       | advising RD35 no longer manufactured.  | Ceiling<br>treatments        | 4     | CT3 applicable only to minimum 204mm joists.                   |
| E-WM-14                       |       |  | Checklist                    | 6     | Points 1 and 6 amended to reflect the                          |
| All                           | 1     | Asterisks and footnote added<br>advising RD35 no longer<br>manufactured.                         | Appendix /                   | A2    | above.   |
| E-WM-15                       |       |  | Roofspace<br>I-Roof          | 7     | Diagram added showing how to form the head detail in a stepped |
| All                           | 1     | Asterisks and footnote added<br>advising RD35 no longer<br>manufactured.                         |                              |       | terrace.<br>Gypsum board weights added<br>under item j.        |
| E-WM-31                       |       |  |                              |       |  |
| Diagram 8                     | 6     | Diagram added showing how to form the head detail in a stepped terrace.                          |                              |       |  |
| All                           | 1-8   | Pages renumbered.  |                              |       |  |
| Separating                    | a Flo | or – Concrete  |                              |       |  |
| E-FC-18                       | •     |  |                              |       |  |
| Under-screed resilient layers | 1     | Cellecta RUBBERfon <sup>®</sup> Impact 6 system added as an option.                              |                              |       |  |
| Resilient layer system box    | 5     | Cellecta RUBBER <i>fon®</i> Impact 6 added as an option.   |                              |       |  |
| E-FC-19                       |       |  |                              |       |  |
| All                           | 1-6   | New Robust Detail added –<br>Cellecta RUBBER <i>fon®</i> Impact 6<br>system and floating screed. |                              |       |  |

This Handbook contains the separating wall and separating floor constructions that have achieved the status of Robust Details for Part E of the Building Regulations (England and Wales) and Part G of the Building Regulations (Northern Ireland), "Resistance to the passage of sound".

The Robust Details have undergone an extensive sound insulation testing regime, robust design analysis and independent audit and have satisfied the Robust Details Limited Management Board that they should provide a level of sound insulation compliant with Part E (England and Wales) and Part G (Northern Ireland).

The use of the **robust**details<sup>®</sup> scheme provides an alternative to pre-completion testing for demonstrating compliance with the performance standards for new build dwellings. Every dwelling built using the **robust**details<sup>®</sup> scheme needs to be registered with Robust Details Limited and a plot registration fee paid. Further information on the scheme (including how to apply for new Robust Details) is available on the Robust Details Limited web site at:

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Each Robust Detail includes materials and construction details for the separating wall/floor and its key interfaces with other elements and should be read in conjunction with Appendix A. The final page of each Robust Detail is a checklist, which should be photocopied and used by the site manager/supervisor to confirm that the separating wall/floor has been built correctly. The building control body may ask to see the checklist.

It is important that separating walls/floors and their associated junctions and flanking conditions are constructed entirely in accordance with the relevant Robust Detail; otherwise the building control body may require pre-completion testing to be carried out.

The tables on pages 5, 6 and 7 show which **robust**details<sup>®</sup> separating floors and walls can be used in flats/apartments.

#### Note:

The contents of this Handbook relate only to compliance with specific aspects of Part E (England and Wales) and Part G (Northern Ireland). Building work will also have to comply with all other relevant legislation and Parts of the Building Regulations.

Where sound testing is required on a wall or floor, the user should seek expert acoustic advice prior to construction commencing.

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# Introduction

# **Special note for Robust Details constructed in Northern Ireland**

Members of an expert panel convened to advise NI Government on the subject, consider that the following Robust Details will integrate most readily with NI standards and methods of construction.

Other Robust Details may be suitable for use in NI, however, it is recommended that Building Control be consulted to ensure full compatibility with other NI Regulations and Standards.

| Masonry walls | E-WM-1  | Concrete floors | E-FC-1  |
|---------------|---------|-----------------|---------|
|               | E-WM-2  |                 | E-FC-2  |
|               | E-WM-3  |                 | E-FC-4  |
|               | E-WM-4  |                 | E-FC-5  |
|               | E-WM-11 |                 | E-FC-6  |
|               | E-WM-16 | E-WM-16         | E-FC-8  |
|               | E-WM-18 | _               | E-FC-9  |
|               | E-WM-19 | _               | E-FC-10 |
|               | E-WM-21 | _               | E-FC-11 |
|               |         | _               | E-FC-12 |
|               |         |                 | E-FC-13 |
|               |         |                 | E-FC-14 |
| Timber walls  | E-WT-1  |                 |         |
|               | E-WT-2  | _               |         |
|               | E-WT-4  |                 |         |
|               |         | _               |         |
|               |         |                 |         |
|               |         | _               |         |

| Timber floors | E-FT-1 |
|---------------|--------|
|               | E-FT-2 |
|               | E-FT-3 |
|               | E-FT-5 |
|               | E-FT-6 |
|               |        |

Steel floors

E-FS-1

Note:

Refer to Tables 3a, 3b and 3c in the Introduction for valid combinations of the Robust Details walls and floors.

# **List of Robust Details**

## Table 1 – Separating walls

| E-WM-1  | masonry – dense aggregate blockwork (wet plaster)   |
|---------|---|
| E-WM-2  | masonry – lightweight aggregate blockwork (wet plaster)   |
| E-WM-3  | masonry - dense aggregate blockwork (render and gypsum-based board)   |
| E-WM-4  | masonry - lightweight aggregate blockwork (render and gypsum-based board)   |
| E-WM-5  | masonry – Besblock "Star Performer" cellular blockwork (render and gypsum-based board)  |
| E-WM-6  | masonry – aircrete blockwork (render and gypsum-based board)  |
| E-WM-7  | Suspended from further registrations  |
| E-WM-8  | masonry – lightweight aggregate blockwork Saint Gobain – Isover RD35 (gypsum-based board)   |
| E-WM-9  | masonry – solid dense aggregate blockwork (render and gypsum-based board)   |
| E-WM-10 | masonry - aircrete thin joint blockwork with specified wall ties (render and gypsum-based board finish)   |
| E-WM-11 | masonry – lightweight aggregate blockwork (render and gypsum-based board) 100mm minimum cavity  |
| E-WM-12 | masonry – Plasmor "Aglite Ultima" lightweight aggregate blockwork (render and gypsum-based board)   |
| E-WM-13 | masonry – aircrete thin joint - untied blockwork (render and gypsum-based board)  |
| E-WM-14 | masonry – lightweight aggregate blockwork Saint Gobain – Isover RD35 (gypsum-based board) with 100mm minimum cavity   |
| E-WM-15 | masonry – aircrete blockwork Saint Gobain - Isover RD35 (gypsum-based board)  |
| E-WM-16 | masonry - dense aggregate blockwork (render and gypsum-based board) with 100mm minimum cavity   |
| E-WM-17 | masonry – lightweight aggregate blockwork Saint Gobain-Isover RD Party Wall Roll (gypsum-based board)   |
| E-WM-18 | masonry - dense aggregate blockwork (wet plaster) with 100mm minimum cavity   |
| E-WM-19 | masonry – dense or lightweight aggregate blockwork (render and gypsum-based board) with 100mm minimum cavity and MONARFLOOR® BRIDGESTOP® system   |
| E-WM-20 | masonry – lightweight aggregate blockwork Saint Gobain – Isover RD Party Wall Roll (gypsum-based board) with 100mm minimum cavity   |
| E-WM-21 | masonry – lightweight aggregate blockwork (wet plaster) with 100mm minimum cavity   |
| E-WM-22 | masonry – lightweight aggregate blockwork – Knauf Earthwool Masonry Party Wall Slab or Superglass<br>Party Wall Roll or URSA Cavity Batt 35 or URSA PARTY WALL ROLL (gypsum-based board) with<br>100mm minimum cavity |
| E-WM-23 | masonry – aircrete blockwork Superglass Party Wall Roll (gypsum-based board) 100mm min cavity   |
| E-WM-24 | masonry – aircrete blockwork Saint Gobain – Isover RD Party Wall Roll (gypsum-based board) with 100mm minimum cavity  |
| E-WM-25 | masonry – Porotherm clay blockwork (Ecoparge and gypsum-based board) with 100mm minimum insulated cavity  |
| E-WM-26 | masonry – Besblock "Star Performer" cellular blockwork (gypsum-based board) with 100mm minimum insulated cavity   |
| E-WM-27 | masonry – lightweight aggregate blockwork Superglass Party Wall Roll (gypsum-based board) with minimum 75mm cavity  |
| E-WM-28 | masonry – lightweight aggregate blockwork Knauf Supafil <sup>®</sup> Party Wall (gypsum-based board) with minimum 100mm cavity  |
| E-WM-29 | masonry – Porotherm clay blockwork (Ecoparge and gypsum-based board) with 75mm minimum insulated cavity   |
| E-WM-30 | masonry – aircrete blockwork Knauf Supafil® Party Wall (gypsum-based board) with 100mm min cavity   |
| E-WM-31 | masonry - H+H - Celcon Elements (gypsum-based board) with 100mm minimum insulated cavity  |
| E-WM-32 | masonry – lightweight aggregate blockwork Knauf Earthwool Masonry Party Wall Slab (gypsum-based board) with minimum 75mm cavity   |
| E-WM-33 | masonry – lightweight aggregate blockwork Superglass Superwhite 34 (gypsum-based board) with 100mm minimum cavity   |

#### See over for timber and steel frame walls

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## Table 1 (continued) – Separating walls

| E-WT-2 timber frame – with sheathing board  |
|---|
|   |
| E-WT-3 timber frame – Elecoframe prefabricated panels                                 |
| E-WT-4 timber frame – Excel Industries Warmcell 500 insulation - with sheathing board |
| E-WS-1 steel frame – twin metal frame   |
| E-WS-2 steel frame – British Gypsum Gypwall QUIET IWL                                 |
| E-WS-3 steel frame – modular steel frame housing                                      |
| E-WS-4 steel frame – twin metal frame - 250mm between linings                         |
| E-WS-5 steel frame – twin metal frame   |

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# Table 2 – Separating floors

| E-FC-1  | precast concrete plank with directly applied screed and floating floor treatment   |
|---------|--|
| E-FC-2  | in-situ concrete slab and floating floor treatment   |
| E-FC-3  | Suspended from further registrations   |
| E-FC-4  | precast concrete plank and Thermal Economics IsoRubber system and floating screed  |
| E-FC-5  | precast concrete plank and Cellecta Yelofon HD10+ system and floating screed   |
| E-FC-6  | beam and block with concrete topping Regupol E48 system and floating screed  |
| E-FC-7  | beam and block with concrete topping and floating floor treatment  |
| E-FC-8  | precast concrete plank with floating screed and bonded resilient floor covering  |
| E-FC-9  | precast concrete plank with directly applied screed and Thermal Economics IsoRubber top bonded resilient floor covering                                    |
| E-FC-10 | in-situ concrete slab with Thermal Economics IsoRubber top bonded resilient floor covering   |
| E-FC-11 | precast concrete plank and Icopal-MONARFLOOR® Tranquilt and floating screed  |
| E-FC-12 | precast concrete plank and Thermal Economics IsoRubber Base HP3 system and floating screed   |
| E-FC-13 | precast concrete plank and InstaCoustic InstaLay 65 system and floating screed   |
| E-FC-14 | precast concrete plank and Thermal Economics IsoRubber Code layer and floating screed  |
| E-FC-15 | precast concrete plank and Regupol Quietlay layer and floating screed  |
| E-FC-16 | precast concrete plank with directly applied screed and Thermal Economics IsoRubber CC3 bonded resilient floor covering                                    |
| E-FC-17 | precast concrete plank and Cellecta YELOfon <sup>®</sup> HD10+ system and floating screed and Cellecta ULTRA ceiling treatment                             |
| E-FC-18 | in-situ concrete slab with floating screed or bonded resilient floor covering  |
| E-FC-19 | precast concrete plank and Cellecta RUBBERfon Impact 6 system and floating screed  |
| E-FT-1  | timber I-joists and floating floor treatment   |
| E-FT-2  | timber solid joists and floating floor treatment   |
| E-FT-3  | MiTek Posi-Joist, Prestoplan PresWeb, WOLF easi-joist, ITW Gang-Nail Ecojoist or ITW Alpine SpaceJoist metal web timber joist and floating floor treatment |
| E-FT-4  | timber Finnjoists with Finnforest Acoustic layer and Gyvlon screed   |
| E-FT-5  | Cellecta ScreedBoard <sup>®</sup> 28 system on timber I-joists   |
| E-FT-6  | Cellecta ScreedBoard <sup>®</sup> 28 system on metal web joists  |
| E-FT-7  | timber I-joists and FFT80 floating floor treatment   |
| E-FT-8  | timber solid joists and FFT80 floating floor treatment   |
| E-FS-1  | steel deck and in-situ concrete and floating floor treatment   |
| E-FS-2  | UltraBEAM metal joists and floating floor treatment  |
| E-FS-3  | Cellecta ScreedBoard® 28 system on metal joists  |

# Introduction

# Table 3a – Combinations of Robust Details separating walls and floors for flats/apartments in **loadbearing masonry** constructions

|                  |         | Separating floors                                  |  |        |              |                  |                             |
|------------------|---------|--|--|--------|--------------|------------------|-----------------------------|
| Separating walls |         | E-FC-1<br>E-FC-11<br>E-FC-12<br>E-FC-13<br>E-FC-14 | E-FC-15<br>E-FC-16<br>E-FC-17<br>E-FC-19 | E-FC-4 | E-FC-5       | E-FC-6<br>E-FC-7 | E-FC-8<br>E-FC-9<br>E-FC-10 |
| E-WM-1           | E-WM-16 | v  | /  | ~      | ~            | ~                | ~                           |
| E-WM-3           | E-WM-18 |  |  |        |              | -                | -                           |
| E-WM-2           | E-WM-21 |  |  |        |              |                  |                             |
| E-WM-4           | E-WM-26 |  |  |        |              |                  |                             |
| E-WM-5           | E-WM-27 |  | /  | ~      | ~            | F                | ~                           |
| E-WM-8           | E-WM-28 |  |  | •      | , T          |                  | ÷                           |
| E-WM-11          | E-WM-32 |  |  |        |              |                  |                             |
| E-WM-14          | E-WM-33 |  |  |        |              |                  |                             |
| E-WM-20          |         |  |  |        |              |                  |                             |
| E-WM-6           | E-WM-23 |  |  |        |              |                  |                             |
| E-WM-10          | E-WM-24 |  |  |        |              | -                | <b>.</b>                    |
| E-WM-13          | E-WM-30 | · ·  |  | •      | ✓ See note 1 |                  | •                           |
| E-WM-15          |         |  |  |        |              |                  |                             |
| E-WM-12          |         | F  | =  | ~      | F            | F                | F                           |
| E-WM-17          | E-WM-22 | ✔ see  | note 2                                   | ~      | ✓ see note 2 | F                | ✓ see note 2                |
| E-WM-25          | E-WM-29 | F  | -  | F      | F            | F                | F                           |

Key

**F** Only the separating floor requires pre-completion sound testing.

1 Where this combination is selected, 200mm (min) thick precast concrete planks and ceiling treatment CT5 must be used.

2 This combination can only be selected where the separating wall construction does not include Plasmor Aglite Ultima blocks (1050 kg/m<sup>3</sup>).

Combining robustdetails<sup>®</sup> loadbearing masonry walls and floors with robustdetails<sup>®</sup> lightweight framed separating walls Upper storeys of blocks of flats may be constructed using lightweight steel or timber frame, where the lower storeys are loadbearing masonry.

The lightweight separating walls built directly off the uppermost concrete separating floors may be registered as Robust Details provided:

- the lightweight walls are in vertical alignment with the masonry walls below, such that they can follow the principles of the ground floor junction shown for the relevant robustdetails® separating wall;

- the external (flanking) wall construction above the separating floor meets the requirements on page 2 of the relevant robust details® separating wall, and has 2 layers of gypsum-based board;
- the junction between the bottom rail (or sole plate) is well sealed;

- all other relevant requirements in the Handbook are strictly followed.

The separating floor may be registered as a Robust Detail provided:

- the floor is constructed in accordance with the requirements of the published Detail;

- the external (flanking) wall below the precast concrete floor satisfies the requirements of detail 1 on page 2 of the relevant robust details® separating floor;
- all other relevant requirements in the Handbook are strictly followed.

Table 3b – Combinations of Robust Details separating walls and floors for flats/apartments in timber frame constructions

|                  | Separating floors |              |  |
|------------------|-------------------|--------------|--|
|                  | E-FT-1            |              |  |
|                  | E-FT-2            |              |  |
|                  | E-FT-3            |              |  |
|                  | E-FT-4            |              |  |
| Separating walls | E-FT-5            |              |  |
|                  | E-FT-6            | E-FC-2       |  |
|                  | E-FT-7            | E-FC-18      |  |
|                  | E-FT-8            | E-FS-1       |  |
| E-WT-1           | ~                 | W see note 1 |  |
| E-WT-2           | ~                 | W see note 1 |  |
| E-WT-3           | F                 | W see note 1 |  |
| E-WT-4           | F                 | W see note 1 |  |

Table 3c – Combinations of Robust Details separating walls and floors for flats/apartments in reinforced concrete and steel frame constructions

|                     | Separating floors          |         |                            |          |        |        |
|---------------------|----------------------------|---------|----------------------------|----------|--------|--------|
| Separating<br>walls |                            | F FC 10 | F FO 10                    | F F0 1   |        |        |
|                     | E-FC-2                     | E-FC-10 | E-FC-18                    | E-F2-1   | E-F5-2 | E-FS-3 |
| E-WS-1              | W note 1                   | W       | W note 1                   | W note 1 | ~      | ~      |
| E-WS-2              | ~                          | W       | ✓ see<br>note 2            | W        | W      | w      |
| E-WS-3              | W                          | W       | w                          | W        | W      | W      |
| E-WS-4              | W <sup>see</sup><br>note 1 | W       | W <sup>see</sup><br>note 1 | W note 1 | ~      | ~      |
| E-WS-5              | ~                          | ~       | ~                          | w        | W      | w      |

Key for Table 3b and Table 3c

- F Only the separating floor requires pre-completion sound testing.
- W Only the separating wall requires pre-completion sound testing.
- 1 Lightweight steel and timber frame walls may be constructed above in-situ poured concrete floors. The lightweight walls built directly off the concrete floors may be registered as Robust Details provided:
- they meet all other requirements of the Robust Detail, including flanking constructions;
- the principles of the raft foundation junction are followed. As such, the concrete of the floor must have a mass of 365 kg/m<sup>2</sup> (min), and a floating floor treatment must be provided to shield the base of the wall, as shown in the Separating Wall junction in the floor Robust Detail;
- Walls constructed to the soffit of in-situ poured concrete floors cannot be registered as Robust Details and may be subject to pre-completion sound testing.
- 2 A floating screed must be installed up to the separating wall as shown in the separating floor detail.

See also notes relating to Combining loadbearing masonry and lightweight framed separating walls included under Table 3a.

#### Table 4 – Combining Robust Details separating walls with non-Robust Details separating floors in flats/apartments

| Loadbearing | masonry |
|-------------|---------|
|-------------|---------|

| E-WM-1  | F1 | E-WM-21 | F1 |
|---------|----|---------|----|
| E-WM-2  | F1 | E-WM-22 | F1 |
| E-WM-3  | F1 | E-WM-23 | F1 |
| E-WM-4  | F1 | E-WM-24 | F1 |
| E-WM-5  | F1 | E-WM-25 | F1 |
| E-WM-6  | F1 | E-WM-26 | F1 |
| E-WM-8  | F1 | E-WM-27 | F1 |
| E-WM-10 | F1 | E-WM-28 | F1 |
| E-WM-11 | F1 | E-WM-29 | F1 |
| E-WM-12 | F1 | E-WM-30 | F1 |
| E-WM-13 | F1 | E-WM-31 | F1 |
| E-WM-14 | F1 | E-WM-32 | F1 |
| E-WM-15 | F1 | E-WM-33 | F1 |
| E-WM-16 | F1 |         |    |
| E-WM-17 | F1 |         |    |
| E-WM-18 | F1 |         |    |
| E-WM-20 | F1 |         |    |
|         |    |         |    |

#### Table 5 – Combining Robust Details separating floors with non-Robust Details separating walls in flats/apartments

| Loadbearing | masonry |         |    |
|-------------|---------|---------|----|
| E-FC-1      | W1      | E-FC-11 | W1 |
| E-FC-4      | W2      | E-FC-12 | W1 |
| E-FC-5      | W2      | E-FC-13 | W1 |
| E-FC-6      | W1      | E-FC-14 | W1 |
| E-FC-7      | W1      | E-FC-15 | W1 |
| E-FC-8      | W2      | E-FC-16 | W1 |
| E-FC-9      | W2      | E-FC-17 | W1 |
| E-FC-10     | W2      | E-FC-19 | W1 |
|             |         |         |    |

| Timber fram | е          | RC frame    |       |
|-------------|------------|-------------|-------|
| E-FT-1      | <b>W</b> 3 | E-FC-2      | W4    |
| E-FT-2      | <b>W</b> 3 | E-FC-10     | W4    |
| E-FT-3      | W3         | E-FC-18     | W4    |
| E-FT-4      | W3         |             |       |
| E-FT-5      | W3         | Light steel | frame |
| E-FT-6      | <b>W</b> 3 | E-FS-1      | W4    |
| E-FT-7      | W3         | E-FS-2      | W5    |
| E-FT-8      | <b>W</b> 3 | E-FS-3      | W5    |

| Timber frame |
|--------------|
|--------------|

| Timber frame | 9  | Light steel fra | ame       |
|--------------|----|-----------------|-----------|
| E-WT-1       | F2 | E-WS-1          | F3        |
| E-WT-2       | F2 | E-WS-2          | <b>F4</b> |
| E-WT-3       | F2 | E-WS-3          | F3        |
| E-WT-4       | F2 | E-WS-4          | F3        |
|              |    | E-WS-5          | F4        |

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- Only the separating floor requires pre-completion testing provided the floor does not bridge the separating wall cavity. Otherwise both the wall and floor need testing.
- F2 Only the separating floor requires pre-completion testing provided the floor is timber-based and does not bridge the separating wall cavity. Otherwise both the wall and floor need testing.
- F3 Only the separating floor requires pre-completion testing provided the wall is being used in a lightweight steel frame flat/apartment and the floor does not bridge the separating wall cavity. Otherwise both the wall and floor need testing.
- F4 Only the separating floor requires pre-completion testing provided the wall is being used in a concrete frame building and the floor has the required floor treatment (see notes under Table 3c). Otherwise both the wall and floor need testing.

#### Key

- W1 Only the separating wall requires pre-completion testing provided the wall is constructed using aggregate blocks specified for the inner leaf in the floor Robust Detail. Otherwise both the floor and wall need testing.
- W2 Only the separating wall requires pre-completion testing provided the wall is constructed using blocks specified for the inner leaf in the floor Robust Detail. Otherwise both the floor and wall need testing.
- W3 Only the separating wall requires pre-completion testing if used with timber frame supporting walls and twin leaf timber frame separating walls. Otherwise both the floor and wall need testing.
- W4 Only the separating wall requires pre-completion testing provided the external wall meets the specification given in the separating floor Robust Detail. Otherwise both the floor and wall need testing.
- W5 Only the separating wall requires pre-completion testing if used with steel frame supporting walls and twin leaf steel frame separating walls. Otherwise both the floor and wall need testing.

For any construction that requires a separating element to be tested, the user should seek expert acoustic advice on the design and potential acoustic performance.

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|         |         | BRIDGESTOP®<br>system | Smartroof<br>system | Wall<br>Cap<br>RDA2 | RoofSpace<br>I-Roof | Space4<br>system | Stewart<br>Milne<br>Sigma® Panel | <b>NYT</b> ROOF<br>RAPID FIT<br>SYSTEM | Nu-Span<br>Spantherm |
|---------|---------|-----------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|------------------|----------------------------------|--|----------------------|
| Masonry | E-WM-1  | ~                     |                     | ~                   |                     | ✓                |                                  | ~                                      | ~                    |
| walls   | E-WM-2  | ~                     |                     | <b>v</b>            |                     | ✓                |                                  | ~                                      | ~                    |
|         | E-WM-3  | ~                     | ~                   | ~                   | ~                   | ✓                |                                  | ~                                      | ~                    |
|         | E-WM-4  | ~                     | ~                   | ~                   | ~                   | ~                |                                  | ~                                      | ~                    |
|         | E-WM-5  | ~                     | ~                   | ~                   | ~                   | ✓                |                                  | ~                                      | ~                    |
|         | E-WM-6  |                       | ~                   | ~                   | ~                   |                  |                                  |  | <b>v</b>             |
|         | E-WM-8  | ~                     | ~                   | ~                   | ~                   | ✓                |                                  | ~                                      | ~                    |
|         | E-WM-9  |                       |                     |                     |                     |                  |                                  |  |                      |
|         | E-WM-10 |                       | ~                   | ~                   | ~                   |                  |                                  |  | <b>v</b>             |
|         | E-WM-11 | ~                     | ~                   | ~                   | ~                   | ✓                |                                  | ~                                      | ✓                    |
|         | E-WM-12 | ~                     | ~                   | ~                   | ~                   | ✓                |                                  | ~                                      | ✓                    |
|         | E-WM-13 |                       | ~                   | ~                   | <b>v</b>            |                  |                                  |  | <b>v</b>             |
|         | E-WM-14 | ~                     | ~                   | ~                   | <b>~</b>            | ✓                |                                  | <b>~</b>                               | <b>v</b>             |
|         | E-WM-15 |                       | ~                   | ~                   | <b>~</b>            |                  |                                  |  | <b>v</b>             |
|         | E-WM-16 | ~                     | ~                   | ~                   | <b>~</b>            | ✓                |                                  | <b>~</b>                               | <b>v</b>             |
|         | E-WM-17 | ~                     | ~                   | ~                   | <b>~</b>            | ✓                |                                  | <b>~</b>                               | <b>v</b>             |
|         | E-WM-18 | ~                     |                     | ~                   |                     | ✓                |                                  | ~                                      | <b>~</b>             |
|         | E-WM-19 | ✓ see note 1          |                     |                     |                     | ✓                |                                  | ~                                      |                      |
|         | E-WM-20 | ~                     | ~                   | ~                   | <b>~</b>            | ✓                |                                  | <b>~</b>                               | <b>v</b>             |
|         | E-WM-21 | ~                     |                     | ~                   |                     | ✓                |                                  | <b>v</b>                               | <b>v</b>             |
|         | E-WM-22 | ~                     | ~                   | ~                   | ~                   | ✓                |                                  | ~                                      | <b>~</b>             |
|         | E-WM-23 | see note 1            | ~                   | ~                   | ~                   |                  |                                  |  | <b>~</b>             |
|         | E-WM-24 | ✓ see note 1          | ~                   | ~                   | ~                   |                  |                                  |  | <b>~</b>             |
|         | E-WM-25 |                       |                     | ~                   |                     |                  |                                  |  | <b>v</b>             |
|         | E-WM-26 | ~                     | ~                   | ~                   | <b>~</b>            | ✓                |                                  | <b>~</b>                               | <b>v</b>             |
|         | E-WM-27 | ~                     | ~                   | ~                   | <b>~</b>            | ✓                |                                  | <b>v</b>                               | <b>v</b>             |
|         | E-WM-28 | ~                     | ~                   | ~                   | <b>v</b>            | ✓                |                                  | <b>v</b>                               | <b>v</b>             |
|         | E-WM-29 |                       |                     | ✓                   |                     |                  |                                  |  | ~                    |
|         | E-WM-30 | ✓ see note 1          | ~                   | ✓                   | ~                   |                  |                                  |  | <b>v</b>             |
|         | E-WM-31 |                       | ~                   | ✓                   | ~                   |                  |                                  |  | <b>v</b>             |
|         | E-WM-32 | ~                     | ~                   | ✓                   | ~                   | ✓                |                                  | <b>v</b>                               | <b>v</b>             |
|         | E-WM-33 | ~                     | ~                   | ✓                   | ~                   | ✓                |                                  | <b>~</b>                               | <b>v</b>             |

# Table 6a – Robust Detail separating walls which can be used together with thespecific flanking constructions contained in Appendix A2

Key

1 When constructing these walls off raft foundations, the raft must have insitu concrete with 150mm minimum thickness.

See over for timber and steel frame walls

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# Table 6a (continued) – Robust Detail separating walls which can be used together with the specific flanking constructions contained in Appendix A2

|        |       | Smart<br>syste | roof<br>em | Kingspan<br>TEK | Prestoplan<br>PresPeak 60 | Wall<br>Cap<br>RDA2 | RoofSpace<br>I-Roof | Space4<br>system | Stewart<br>Milne<br>Sigma®<br>Panel | Lightweigh<br>external<br>cladding<br>systems | t Nu-Span<br>Spantherm |
|--------|-------|----------------|------------|-----------------|---------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|------------------|-------------------------------------|---|------------------------|
| Timber | E-WT- | 1 🗸            | ,          | ~               | ✓                         | ~                   | ✓                   |                  | ~                                   | ~   | ~                      |
| walls  | E-WT- | 2 🗸            | •          | ~               | ✓                         | ~                   | ✓                   | ~                | ~                                   | ~   | ~                      |
|        | E-WT- | 3 🖌            | ,          |                 |                           | ~                   | ~                   |                  |                                     |   | ~                      |
|        | E-WT- | 4 🗸            | ,          |                 |                           | ~                   | ✓                   |                  |                                     |   | ~                      |
| Steel  | E-WS- | 1              |            |                 |                           |                     | <b>v</b>            |                  |                                     |   | ~                      |
| walls  | E-WS- | -2             |            |                 |                           |                     |                     |                  |                                     |   |                        |
|        | E-WS- | -3             |            |                 |                           |                     |                     |                  |                                     |   |                        |
|        | E-WS- | -4             |            |                 |                           | ~                   |                     |                  |                                     |   | ~                      |
|        | E-WS- | -5             |            |                 |                           |                     |                     |                  |                                     |   |                        |

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# Table 6b – Robust Detail separating floors which can be used together with thespecific flanking constructions contained in Appendix A2

|                  | BRIDGESTOP <sup>®</sup><br>system | Kingspan<br>TEK | Wall Cap<br>RDA2 | Private<br>stairs |  |
|------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------|------------------|-------------------|--|
| Concrete         | E-FC-1                            |                 | ~                |                   |  |
| floors           | E-FC-2                            |                 |                  |                   |  |
|                  | E-FC-4                            |                 | ~                | ~                 |  |
|                  | E-FC-5                            |                 | ✓                | <b>v</b>          |  |
|                  | E-FC-6                            |                 | ✓                |                   |  |
|                  | E-FC-7                            |                 | ✓                |                   |  |
|                  | E-FC-8                            |                 | ✓                | ~                 |  |
|                  | E-FC-9                            |                 | ✓                |                   |  |
|                  | E-FC-10                           |                 | ✔see note 1      |                   |  |
|                  | E-FC-11                           |                 | <b>v</b>         | ~                 |  |
|                  | E-FC-12                           |                 | <b>v</b>         | ~                 |  |
|                  | E-FC-13                           |                 | <b>v</b>         | <b>v</b>          |  |
|                  | E-FC-14                           |                 | <b>v</b>         | ~                 |  |
|                  | E-FC-15                           |                 | <b>v</b>         | ~                 |  |
|                  | E-FC-16                           |                 | ~                |                   |  |
|                  | E-FC-17                           |                 | ~                | ~                 |  |
|                  | E-FC-18                           |                 |                  |                   |  |
|                  | E-FC-19                           |                 | ~                | ~                 |  |
| Timber           | E-FT-1                            |                 | <b>v</b>         |                   |  |
| TIOORS           | E-FT-2                            |                 | <b>v</b>         |                   |  |
|                  | E-FT-3                            |                 | ~                |                   |  |
|                  | E-FT-4                            |                 | ~                |                   |  |
|                  | E-FT-5                            |                 | <b>v</b>         |                   |  |
|                  | E-FT-6                            |                 | <b>v</b>         |                   |  |
|                  | E-FT-7                            |                 | <b>v</b>         |                   |  |
|                  | E-FT-8                            |                 | <b>v</b>         |                   |  |
| Steel-concrete   | E-FS-1                            |                 |                  |                   |  |
| and steel floors | E-FS-2                            |                 | ~                |                   |  |
|                  | E-FS-3                            |                 | <b>v</b>         |                   |  |

Key

1 Applies only to loadbearing masonry constructions.

# Table 7 – Robust Detail separating floors whichcan be used together with alternative productscontained in Appendix A3

|                  |         | British<br>Gypsum<br>GypFloor | Insumate<br>insulation<br>tray | Cellecta<br>HiDECK<br>Structural |
|------------------|---------|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Concrete         | E-FC-1  | ~                             |                                |                                  |
| floors           | E-FC-2  | ~                             |                                |                                  |
|                  | E-FC-4  |                               |                                |                                  |
|                  | E-FC-5  |                               |                                |                                  |
|                  | E-FC-6  |                               |                                |                                  |
|                  | E-FC-7  | ~                             |                                |                                  |
|                  | E-FC-8  |                               |                                |                                  |
|                  | E-FC-9  |                               |                                |                                  |
|                  | E-FC-10 |                               |                                |                                  |
|                  | E-FC-11 |                               |                                |                                  |
|                  | E-FC-12 |                               |                                |                                  |
|                  | E-FC-13 |                               |                                |                                  |
|                  | E-FC-14 |                               |                                |                                  |
|                  | E-FC-15 |                               |                                |                                  |
|                  | E-FC-16 |                               |                                |                                  |
|                  | E-FC-17 |                               |                                |                                  |
|                  | E-FC-18 |                               |                                |                                  |
|                  | E-FC-19 |                               |                                |                                  |
| Timber           | E-FT-1  |                               | ✓                              | <b>v</b>                         |
| noors            | E-FT-2  |                               | ✓                              | <b>v</b>                         |
|                  | E-FT-3  |                               | ✓                              | <b>v</b>                         |
|                  | E-FT-4  |                               |                                |                                  |
|                  | E-FT-5  |                               |                                |                                  |
|                  | E-FT-6  |                               |                                |                                  |
|                  | E-FT-7  |                               | <b>v</b>                       |                                  |
|                  | E-FT-8  |                               | ✓                              |                                  |
| Steel-concrete   | E-FS-1  | ~                             |                                |                                  |
| and steel floors | E-FS-2  |                               |                                | <b>v</b>                         |
|                  | E-FS-3  |                               |                                |                                  |

# Separating Wall – Cavity Masonry

# E-WM-8

Lightweight aggregate, or nominated hollow or cellular blocks

35mm (minimum) Saint Gobain-Isover RD35 Acoustic Batt\* ■

Gypsum-based board (nominal 9.8 kg/m<sup>2</sup>) on dabs ■



# DO

- Keep cavity, insulation batts and wall ties free from mortar droppings and debris
- Fully fill all blockwork joints with mortar
- Make sure there is no connection between the two leaves except for wall ties and foundation
- Ensure that only solid blocks (i.e. not hollow or cellular) are used in the construction of separating and flanking walls
- Ensure all Isover RD35 acoustic batts\* are tightly butted together and half cuts are made with a clean sharp knife

- Ensure that Isover RD35 acoustic batts\* are installed against the same face of the cavity wall construction throughout
- Ensure Isover RD35 acoustic batts\* are installed in accordance with manufacturer's recommendations
- Ensure Isover RD35 acoustic batts\* do not bridge the cavity
- Keep any chases for services to a minimum and fill well with mortar.
   Stagger chases on each side of the wall to avoid them being back to back
- Refer to Appendix A

## **Hollow or Cellular Blocks**

The Besblock Star Performer is the only block of this type currently accepted by Robust Details Limited for use as an alternative to solid blocks in E-WM-8. Ensure Star Performer blocks are laid with the cells open to the lower mortar bed only.

The separating wall **must not** be constructed using a mix of the block types.

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<u>Separating Wall – Cavity Masonry</u>

<sup>\*</sup> Saint Gobain-Isover RD35 Acoustic Batt is no longer being manufactured

#### 1. External (flanking) wall junction



#### 2. Staggered external (flanking) wall junction



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#### 3. Internal floor junction: timber floor supported on joist hangers



4. Internal floor junction: timber floor joists built in, beam and block or precast concrete



#### 5. Separating floor junction



FFT1 type floating floor treatment and CT3

type ceiling

35mm (min) Isover RD35 mineral wool acoustic batt\* (no gaps to remain)

Separating wall must not be continuous between storeys

5mm (min) resilient flanking strip

Concrete planks with all voids between planks and blockwork filled with mortar or flexible sealant

Separating floor must not be continuous between dwellings

Separating floor:

- if using **robust**details<sup>®</sup> for floor, refer to Table 3a in introduction and see separating floor Robust Detail for floating floor and ceiling options
- if using floor requiring pre-completion testing, seek specialist advice

Continuous horizontal ribbon of adhesive

6. Ground floor junction: timber floor, beam and block, precast concrete plank, cast in-situ suspended concrete slab or ground bearing concrete slab



#### 7. Roof junction - pitched roof without room-in-roof



Junction between separating wall and roof filled with flexible closer

Cavity masonry separating wall continuous to underside of roof. Alternatively use spandrel panel – see Appendix A

External wall cavity closed at eaves level with a suitable flexible material (e.g. mineral wool). If a rigid material is used, then it should only be bonded to one leaf

Continuous horizontal ribbon of adhesive

100mm (min) mineral wool insulation - 10 kg/m<sup>3</sup> (min)

35mm (min) Isover RD35 mineral wool acoustic batt\* (no gaps to remain)

#### 8. Roof junction - pitched roof with room-in-roof



#### 9. Flue blocks built into separating wall



Ensure that mortar and debris does not collect on the insulation batts, to avoid a connection between the wall leaves

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# CHECKLIST (to be completed by site manager/supervisor)

| <ul> <li>Ref. Item</li> <li>Is separating v</li> <li>2. Is external (flar</li> <li>3. Are separating (1350 to 1600 Are blocks laid</li> <li>4. Is cavity free fr</li> <li>5. Are insulation in Document E ""</li> <li>6. Are cavity stop</li> <li>7. Are joints fully</li> <li>3. Is Isover RD35</li> <li>9. Are insulation I</li> <li>10. Are voids arou</li> <li>11. Where there is the resilient flag</li> </ul> | vall cavity at least 75mm?<br>wall blocks lightweight aggregate<br>kg/m <sup>3</sup> ) or Besblock "Star Performer" block?<br>with the cells open to the lower bed<br>om droppings and debris?<br>retaining ties in separating wall to Approved<br>Tie type A" (see Appendix A)?<br>Is installed?<br>filled?<br>Acoustic Batt* fixed in the cavity?                                      | Yes No<br>(✓) (✓)   | Inspected<br>(initials & date |
|---|--|---------------------|-------------------------------|
| <ol> <li>Is separating v</li> <li>Is external (flar</li> <li>Are separating<br/>(1350 to 1600<br/>Are blocks laid</li> <li>Is cavity free fr</li> <li>Are insulation in<br/>Document E ""</li> <li>Are cavity stop</li> <li>Are joints fully</li> <li>Is Isover RD35</li> <li>Are insulation in</li> <li>Are voids arou</li> <li>Where there is<br/>the resilient flar</li> </ol>                                   | vall cavity at least 75mm?<br>whing) wall cavity at least 50mm?<br>wall blocks lightweight aggregate<br>kg/m <sup>3</sup> ) or Besblock "Star Performer" block?<br>with the cells open to the lower bed<br>om droppings and debris?<br>retaining ties in separating wall to Approved<br>Tie type A" (see Appendix A)?<br>Is installed?<br>filled?<br>Acoustic Batt* fixed in the cavity? |                     |                               |
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| <ol> <li>Are joints fully</li> <li>Is Isover RD35</li> <li>Are insulation I</li> <li>Are voids arou</li> <li>Where there is the resilient fla</li> </ol>  | filled?<br>Acoustic Batt* fixed in the cavity?   |                     |                               |
| <ol> <li>Is Isover RD35</li> <li>Are insulation I</li> <li>Are voids arou</li> <li>Where there is the resilient fla</li> </ol>  | Acoustic Batt* fixed in the cavity?  |                     |                               |
| <ol> <li>9. Are insulation I</li> <li>10. Are voids arou</li> <li>11. Where there is the resilient fla</li> </ol>   | patte tightly butted together?   |                     |                               |
| <ol> <li>Are voids arou</li> <li>Where there is<br/>the resilient fla</li> </ol>  |  |                     |                               |
| <b>11.</b> Where there is the resilient fla   | nd floor joists, chases, etc. fully filled/sealed  | l?                  |                               |
|   | a separating floor (e.g. flats/apartments) has nking strip been installed?   | S                   |                               |
| <b>12.</b> Are all junction or caulked with   | s of wall and ceiling boards sealed with tape<br>n sealant?  | e                   |                               |
| <b>13.</b> Is separating v  | vall satisfactorily complete?  |                     |                               |
| Contact details for tec   | hnical assistance from Saint Gobain-Isover, manufac  | turer of Isover RD3 | 5 acoustic Batt*:             |
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# Separating Wall – Cavity Masonry

# E-WM-14

- Lightweight aggregate blocks
- 35mm (minimum) Saint Gobain-Isover RD35 Acoustic Batt\*
  - Gypsum-based board (nominal 9.8 kg/m<sup>2</sup>) on dabs ■



# DO

- Keep cavity, insulation batts and wall ties free from mortar droppings and debris
- Fully fill all blockwork joints with mortar
- Make sure there is no connection between the two leaves except for wall ties and foundation
- Ensure that only solid blocks (i.e. not hollow or cellular) are used in the construction of separating and flanking walls
- Ensure all Isover RD35 acoustic batts\* are tightly butted together and half cuts are made with a clean sharp knife

- Ensure that Isover RD35 acoustic batts\* are installed against the same face of the cavity wall construction throughout
- Ensure Isover RD35 acoustic batts\* are installed in accordance with manufacturer's recommendations
- Ensure Isover RD35 acoustic batts\* do not bridge the cavity
- Keep any chases for services to a minimum and fill well with mortar.
   Stagger chases on each side of the wall to avoid them being back to back
- Refer to Appendix A

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#### 1. External (flanking) wall junction



Masonry outer leaf

External wall cavity (min 50mm)

Close cavity with a flexible cavity stop unless it is fully filled with built in mineral wool insulation

35mm (min) Isover RD35 mineral wool acoustic batt\* (no gaps to remain)

#### Inner leaf where there is no separating floor e.g. for houses

- 100mm (min) concrete block (1350 kg/m<sup>3</sup> to 1600 kg/m<sup>3</sup>) or aircrete block (450 kg/m<sup>3</sup> to 800 kg/m<sup>3</sup>)
- internal finish 13mm plaster or nominal 8 kg/m<sup>2</sup> gypsum-based board

#### Inner leaf where there is a separating floor e.g. for flats/apartments

- if using robust details® for floor, refer to Table 3a in introduction to select an acceptable robust details® separating floor. Then refer to separating floor Robust Detail to identify acceptable inner leaf construction
- if using floor requiring pre-completion testing, seek specialist advice

Tooth or tie walls together

#### 2. Staggered external (flanking) wall junction





3. Internal floor junction: timber floor supported on joist hangers

4. Internal floor junction: timber floor joists built in, beam and block or precast concrete



#### 5. Separating floor junction



35mm (min) Isover RD35 mineral wool acoustic batt\* (no gaps to remain)

Separating wall must not be continuous between storeys

5mm (min) resilient flanking strip

Concrete planks with all voids between planks and blockwork filled with mortar or flexible sealant

Separating floor must not be continuous between dwellings

Separating floor:

- if using **robust**details<sup>®</sup> for floor, refer to Table 3a in introduction and see separating floor Robust Detail for floating floor and ceiling options
- if using floor requiring pre-completion testing, seek specialist advice

Continuous horizontal ribbon of adhesive

Sketch shows E-FC-1 type separating floor, FFT1 type floating floor treatment and CT3 type ceiling

6. Ground floor junction: timber floor, beam and block, precast concrete plank, cast in-situ suspended concrete slab or ground bearing concrete slab



35mm (min) Isover RD35 mineral wool acoustic batt\* (no gaps to remain)

Ground floor not continuous between dwellings

Ground floor construction:

- timber joists built in with:
  - all voids around the joists filled with mortar
    the joint interface between the joist and the mortar sealed with flexible sealant (see
    - Appendix A for full specification), or
- beam and block floor with all voids filled with mortar, or
- concrete planks with all voids between planks and blockwork filled with mortar or flexible sealant, or
- ground bearing slab

Cavity separating wall continuous to foundation, cavity fill may be provided below minimum clear cavity indicated. Continuous raft foundations between dwellings are not acceptable. Solid walls which support separating walls are only acceptable where each ground floor (not timber joists) is built into one side of the separating wall and breaks the vertical continuity of the wall and the minimum clear cavity indicated is maintained.

#### 7. Roof junction - pitched roof without room-in-roof



Junction between separating wall and roof filled with flexible closer

Cavity masonry separating wall continuous to underside of roof. Alternatively use spandrel panel – see Appendix A

External wall cavity closed at eaves level with a suitable flexible material (e.g. mineral wool). If a rigid material is used, then it should only be bonded to one leaf

Continuous horizontal ribbon of adhesive

100mm (min) mineral wool insulation – 10 kg/m<sup>3</sup> (min)

35mm (min) Isover RD35 mineral wool acoustic batt\* (no gaps to remain)

#### 8. Roof junction - pitched roof with room-in-roof



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Ensure that mortar and debris does not collect on the insulation batts, to avoid a connection between the wall leaves

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# CHECKLIST (to be completed by site manager/supervisor)

| Plot: | Site manager/supervisor:   |                  |                  |
|-------|--|------------------|------------------|
|       |  |                  |                  |
| Ref.  | Item   | Yes No           |                  |
| 1.    | Is separating wall cavity at least 100mm?  |                  | (initials & date |
| 2.    | Is external (flanking) wall cavity at least 50mm?  |                  |                  |
| 3.    | Are separating wall blocks lightweight aggregate (1350 to 1600 kg/m <sup>3</sup> )?                        |                  |                  |
| 4.    | Is cavity free from droppings and debris?  |                  |                  |
| 5.    | Are insulation retaining ties in separating wall to Approved Document E "Tie type A" (see Appendix A)?     |                  |                  |
| 6.    | Are cavity stops installed?  |                  |                  |
| 7.    | Are joints fully filled?   |                  |                  |
| 3.    | Is Isover RD35 Acoustic Batt* fixed in the cavity?   |                  |                  |
| 9.    | Are insulation batts tightly butted together?  |                  |                  |
| 10.   | Are voids around floor joists, chases, etc. fully filled/sealed?   |                  |                  |
| 11.   | Where there is a separating floor (e.g. flats/apartments) has the resilient flanking strip been installed? |                  |                  |
| 12.   | Are all junctions of wall and ceiling boards sealed with tape or caulked with sealant?                     |                  |                  |
| 13.   | Is separating wall satisfactorily complete?  |                  |                  |
| Cor   | tact details for technical assistance from Saint Gobain-Isover, manufacturer                               | of Isover RD35 a | coustic Batt:    |
| Tel   | ephone: 01159 451143 Fax: 01159 451915 E-mail: iso   | ver enquiries@   | saint-gobain com |

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# Separating Wall – Cavity Masonry

# E-WM-15

#### Aircrete blocks

35mm (minimum) Saint Gobain-Isover RD35 Acoustic Batt\* ■

Gypsum-based board (nominal 9.8 kg/m<sup>2</sup>) on dabs ■



# DO

- Keep cavity, insulation batts and wall ties free from mortar droppings and debris
- Fully fill all blockwork joints with mortar
- Make sure there is no connection between the two leaves except for wall ties and foundation
- Ensure that only solid blocks (i.e. not hollow or cellular) are used in the construction of separating and flanking walls
- Ensure all Isover RD35 acoustic batts\* are tightly butted together and half cuts are made with a clean sharp knife

- Ensure that Isover RD35 acoustic batts\* are installed against the same face of the cavity wall construction throughout
- Ensure Isover RD35 acoustic batts\* are installed in accordance with manufacturer's recommendations
- Ensure Isover RD35 acoustic batts\* do not bridge the cavity
- Keep any chases for services to a minimum and fill well with mortar.
   Stagger chases on each side of the wall to avoid them being back to back
- Ensure wall ties do not coincide with bed reinforcement
- Ensure flues are not integrated within the separating wall
- Refer to Appendix A
- \* Saint Gobain-Isover RD35 Acoustic Batt is no longer being manufactured



E-WM-15

#### 1. External (flanking) wall junction



#### 2. Staggered external (flanking) wall junction



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#### 3. Internal floor junction: timber floor supported on joist hangers

4. Internal floor junction: timber floor joists built in, beam and block or precast concrete



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#### 5. Separating floor junction



Sketch shows E-FC-5 type separating floor and

CT5 type ceiling treatment

35mm (min) Isover RD35 mineral wool acoustic batt\* (no gaps to remain)

Separating wall must not be continuous between storeys

Concrete planks with all voids between planks and blockwork filled with mortar or flexible sealant

Separating floor must not be continuous between dwellings

Separating floor:

- if using robustdetails<sup>®</sup> for floor, refer to Table 3a in introduction and see separating floor Robust Detail for floating floor and ceiling options
- at least one storey of the separating wall flanking the separating floor must be built in Aircrete of minimum density of 680kg/m<sup>3</sup>
- if using floor requiring pre-completion testing, seek specialist advice
- Continuous horizontal ribbon of adhesive

# 6. Ground floor junction: timber floor, beam and block, precast concrete plank, cast in-situ suspended concrete slab or ground bearing concrete slab


## 7. Roof junction - pitched roof without room-in-roof



# 8. Roof junction - pitched roof with room-in-roof



# CHECKLIST (to be completed by site manager/supervisor)

| Plot              | Site manager/supervisor:   |           |        |                                   |
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| Ref.              | Item   | Yes       | No     | Inspected                         |
| ۱.                | Is separating wall cavity at least 75mm?   |           |        |                                   |
| 2.                | Is external (flanking) wall cavity at least 50mm?  |           |        |                                   |
| 3.                | Is external (flanking) wall inner leaf aircrete (450 to 800 kg/m <sup>3</sup> )?   |           |        |                                   |
| 4.                | Are separating wall blocks aircrete (600 to 800 kg/m <sup>3</sup> )?   |           |        |                                   |
| 5.                | Is cavity free from droppings and debris?  |           |        |                                   |
| 6.                | Are insulation retaining ties in separating wall to Approved<br>Document E "Tie type A" (see Appendix A)?                            |           |        |                                   |
| 7.                | Are cavity stops installed?  |           |        |                                   |
| 8.                | Are joints fully filled?   |           |        |                                   |
| 9.                | Is Isover RD35 Acoustic Batt* fixed in the cavity?   |           |        |                                   |
| 10.               | Are insulation batts tightly butted together?  |           |        |                                   |
| 11.               | Are voids around floor joists, chases, etc. fully filled/sealed?   |           |        |                                   |
| 12.               | Where there is a separating floor (e.g. flats/apartments) has the resilient flanking strip been installed?                           |           |        |                                   |
| 13.               | Are all junctions of wall and ceiling boards sealed with tape or caulked with sealant?   |           |        |                                   |
| 14.               | Is separating wall satisfactorily complete?  |           |        |                                   |
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# Separating Wall – Cavity Masonry

# E-WM-31

- Attached houses only n Elements - thin joint ■
- H+H Celcon Elements thin joint Gypsum-based board (nominal 8 kg/m<sup>2</sup>) on dabs
  - Used with 'RoofSpace I-House System'



# DO

- Keep cavity, insulation and wall ties free from debris
- Fully fill all joints
- Make sure there is no connection between the two leaves except for wall ties, insulation and foundation
- Ensure all insulation sections are tightly butted together and half cuts are made with a clean sharp knife and are installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions
- Keep any chases for services to a minimum and fill well with mortar.
   Stagger chases on each side of the wall to avoid them being back to back
- Refer to Appendix A

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## 1. External (flanking) wall junction



# 2. Staggered external (flanking) wall junction



## 3. Wall tie placement



### Only the following wall ties are permitted:

- Vista VE4
- Ancon Building Products Staifix HRT4
- Clan PWT4

Wall ties to be positioned following the alternating pattern shown above.

No more than 3 ties per storey-height joint



# 4. Internal floor junction: timber floor joists built in



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## 5. Ground floor junction: beam and block or precast concrete plank



6. Ground floor junction: cast in-situ suspended concrete slab or ground bearing concrete slab



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## 7. Roof junction - pitched roof without room-in-roof



100mm mineral wool max. 40 kg/m<sup>3</sup> (no gaps to remain)

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100mm (min)

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## 8. Stepped roof junction - pitched roof without room-in-roof

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| 2. Where   | bids around floor joists, chases, etc. fully filled/sealed   | l?   |                            |
| perim  | e the ground floor has a floating floor treatment, has the ter insulation been installed?  | he   |                            |
| 3. Are al or cau   | l junctions of wall and ceiling boards sealed with tape<br>ulked with sealant?   | )  |                            |
| 4. Is sep  | parating wall satisfactorily complete?   |  |                            |
| Contact det  | ails for technical assistance from: H+H UK   |  |                            |
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# **Separating Floor – Concrete**

# E-FC-18

- Insitu concrete slab with flat soffit
- For use in reinforced concrete frame construction
- Bonded resilient floor covering, or screed laid on resilient layer system ■

|  | Screed<br>Resilient layer   | 65mm (min) cement:sand<br>screed or 40mm (min)<br>proprietary screed of<br>nominal 80 kg/m <sup>2</sup> mass per<br>unit area<br>See list below and section 7, |  |  |
|--|---|--|--|--|
|  |   | or see section 8 for bonded resilient floor coverings  |  |  |
|  | Structural floor  | 225mm (min) insitu concrete<br>floor slab, 2400 kg/m <sup>3</sup> (min)<br>density without screed  |  |  |
|  | Ceiling   | See section 9 for suitable ceiling treatment   |  |  |
|  |   |  |  |  |
| Reinforced concrete frame<br>construction - alternative external   | When using<br>resilient lave  | under-screed<br>er systems:  |  |  |
| (flanking) wall construction   |   | , ejetemer   |  |  |
| (naming) wan oonstruction  | Ensure resilier   | nt layer is laid over the  |  |  |
| Storey height glazing units and external   | entire floor surface and has overlapped   |  |  |  |
| insulated cladding panels are an acceptable  | <ul> <li>joints appropriately sealed with tape</li> <li>Ensure resilient layer overlaps with</li> </ul> |  |  |  |
| alternative to the cavity walls illustrated  |   |  |  |  |
| provided:  |   |  |  |  |
|  | flanking strip  | and is taped and sealed at   |  |  |
| Glazing units should not be continuous   | ioints. On no a   | account should the screed  |  |  |
| between storevs  | come into cor   | ptact with the floor slab or   |  |  |
|  | porimotor wal   |  |  |  |
| Mullion or transom supports/framing should   | perimeter war   |  |  |  |
| not be continuous between dwellings  | Ensure the fla  | nking strip isolates the   |  |  |
| Defer to Appendix A  | skirting and w  | all linings. On no account   |  |  |
| Refer to Appendix A  | should the sc   | reed come into contact with  |  |  |
|  | the wall lining   | and skirting   |  |  |
| Under-screed Resilient Layer   |   | and skirting   |  |  |
| systems  | Refer to Section 7 for details of   |  |  |  |
| Only the following under sereed Desilient  | installation, ar  | nd requirements for  |  |  |
| Laver eveterne mey be used on F FC 19 (see   | proprietary screeds   |  |  |  |
| Layer systems may be used on E-FG-16 (see  | F . F   |  |  |  |
| also Section 7):   | Refer to Appe   | ndix A   |  |  |
| <ul> <li>Thermal Economics Isorubber Base and IsoEdge<br/>Flanking Strip</li> </ul>                              |   |  |  |  |
| ■ Cellecta <sup>®</sup> YELOfon <sup>®</sup> HD10+ and E-strip   |   |  |  |  |
| Icopal-MONARFLOOR® TRANQUILT® system   |   |  |  |  |
| <ul> <li>Thermal Economics Isorubber HP3 and IsoEdge<br/>Flanking Strip</li> </ul>                               |   |  |  |  |
| InstaCoustic InstaLay 65   | Bonded Res  | illent floor coverings   |  |  |
| Regupol Quietlay   | Refer to Section  | 3 for bonded resilient floor   |  |  |
| <ul> <li>Cellecta<sup>®</sup> RUBBERfon<sup>®</sup> Impact 6 and<br/>RUBBERfon<sup>®</sup> Edge Strip</li> </ul> | covering requiren   | nents  |  |  |



## 1. External (flanking) wall junction - lightweight external



### 2. External (flanking) wall junction - masonry outer leaf



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# Separating Floor – Concrete

## 7. Resilient layer installation and screed types



### 8. Bonded resilent floor covering



Flexible or acoustic sealant

Resilient jointing material bulk fill where gap exceeds 5mm

Bonded resilient floor covering installed between skirting and floor slab

### **OPTION A**

# **IMPORTANT**

If using **robust**details<sup>®</sup> separating walls, refer to Table 3c in the Handbook Introduction.

Bonded resilient floor coverings must be tested in accordance with Appendix G.

Polyethylene foams may not be used for bonded resilient floor coverings.

The resilient floor covering material must be overprinted with wording prohibiting its removal.

Bonded resilient floor covering should be suitably resistant to site and removals traffic.



Flexible or acoustic sealant

Resilient jointing material bulk fill where gap exceeds 5mm

Bonded resilient floor covering may be installed up to skirting provided mastic sealant isolates skirting and wall lining from floor slab

Flexible or acoustic sealant

### Bonded resilient floor cover

- min 4.5mm thickness and must be bonded
- must be capable of supporting carpet and wood finishes in habitable rooms
- Laboratory testing performance must be undertaken directly on the resilient cover, and with a wood floor finish as outlined in Appendix G (min∆L<sub>w</sub> 17 dB without timber board overlay; min rd∆L<sub>w</sub> 17 dB with timber board overlay)

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### 9. Ceiling treatments for E-FC-18

Ceiling treatments must be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

All ceiling joints must be sealed with tape or caulked with sealant.

If used, the maximum load on resilient bars shall not exceed that specified in the manufacturer's instructions.

Note: the sound insulation performance of ceiling treatments is increased if:

- 25mm (min) mineral wool quilt is placed in the ceiling void, and/or
- resilient hangers are used.



### Downlighters and recessed lighting

Provided there is a minimum ceiling void of 150mm downlighters or recessed lighting may be installed in the ceiling:

- in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions
- into openings not exceeding 100mm diameter or 100x100mm

Particular attention should also be paid to Building Regulations Part B - Fire Safety

### Any ceiling system - 150mm (min) void

- any timber or metal ceiling system providing 150mm (min) ceiling void
- one layer of nominal 10 kg/m<sup>2</sup> gypsum-based board

### 10. Underfloor heating systems within screeds

Underfloor heating systems (including connectors and fixings) installed within the screed must not penetrate the resilient layer or bridge the screed to the slab.

Underfloor heating systems which have a supporting layer/board may be laid on top of the resilient layer.

An insulation layer may be positioned on top of, or beneath, the resilient layer.

Appropriate screed depth cover to the heating system must be designed for – contact underfloor heating manufacturer for guidance.



A bonded resilient floor covering can be applied to the top of the screed instead of the underscreed resilient layer shown here. Refer to section 8.

# E-FC-19

- Precast concrete plank ■
- Screed laid on Cellecta<sup>®</sup> RUBBERfon<sup>®</sup> Impact 6 resilient layer system ■



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## 1. External (flanking) wall junction



Masonry outer leaf

External wall cavity (min 50mm)

Inner leaf (min 100mm) aggregate concrete block (1350-1600 kg/m<sup>3</sup> or 1850-2300 kg/m<sup>3</sup>) or aircrete block (450-800kg/m<sup>3</sup>).

**RUBBERfon® Edge Strip** perimeter edging must be overlapped by **RUBBERfon® Impact 6** resilient layer with joints sealed with **Cellecta® HG Tape** to isolate screed from perimeter walls and skirtings

RUBBERfon<sup>®</sup> Impact 6 resilient layer must have 50mm (min) overlapped joints and be sealed with *Cellecta*<sup>®</sup> HG Tape

Concrete planks must be built into walls:

- walls must not be continuous between storeys
- planks must not abut inner leaf
- all voids between planks and blockwork filled with mortar or flexible sealant

Close cavity with a flexible cavity stop unless it is fully filled with mineral wool insulation

Continuous horizontal ribbon of adhesive

Nominal 8 kg/m<sup>2</sup> gypsum-based board or 13mm plaster

# Sketch shows CT0 type ceiling treatment

### 2. Separating wall junction



Sketch shows CT0 type ceiling treatment

## 3. Ceiling treatments for E-FC-19

All ceiling treatments must be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions. All ceiling joints must be sealed with tape or caulked with sealant.

Note: the sound insulation performance of all ceiling treatments is increased if:

- 25mm (min.) mineral fibre quilt is placed in the ceiling void, and/or
- resilient hangers are used.

### Downlighters and recessed lighting

Provided there is a minimum ceiling void as stated below for CT0 or CT1, downlighters or recessed lighting may be installed in the ceiling:

- in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions
- at no more than one light per 2m<sup>2</sup> of ceiling area in each room or see Appendix F
- at centres not less than 0.75m
- into openings not exceeding 100mm diameter or 100x100mm

Particular attention should also be paid to Building Regulations Part B - Fire Safety



### CT0 – Metal ceiling system - 150mm void To be used for 150mm (min) depth concrete planks

- any metal ceiling system providing 150mm (min) ceiling void
- one layer of nominal 8 kg/m<sup>2</sup> gypsum-based board

### CT1 – Metal ceiling system - 100mm void Only to be used for 200mm (min) depth concrete planks

- any metal ceiling system providing 100mm (min) ceiling void
- one layer of nominal 8 kg/m<sup>2</sup> gypsum-based board

### 4. Resilient layer installation for screed floor



### SCREED TYPE

65mm (min) cement:sand screed

- **RUBBER***fon*<sup>®</sup> **Impact 6** resilient layer must have 150mm (min) overlapped joints and be sealed with *Cellecta*<sup>®</sup> **HG Tape**.
- RUBBERfon<sup>®</sup> Edge Strip must be overlapped by RUBBERfon<sup>®</sup> Impact 6 resilient layer with joints sealed with Cellecta<sup>®</sup> HG Tape to isolate screed from perimeter walls and skirtings.
- **RUBBERfon**<sup>®</sup> **Edge Strip** perimeter edging to be installed at all perimeter walls (including door openings, wall recesses) and service pipes. See manufacturer's guidance.

### 5. Underfloor heating systems within screed

Underfloor heating systems (including connectors and fixings) installed within the screed must not penetrate the resilient layer or bridge the screed to the slab.

Underfloor heating systems which have a supporting layer/board may be laid on top of the **RUBBERfon**<sup>®</sup> Impact 6.

Appropriate screed depth cover to the heating system must be designed for – contact underfloor heating manufacturer for guidance.



# 6. Services - Service pipes through separating floor



Sketch shows CT0 type ceiling treatment

# CHECKLIST (to be completed by site manager/supervisor)

| Corr  | ipany:  |   |                           |                   |  |
|-------|---|---|---------------------------|-------------------|--|
| Site: |   |   |                           |                   |  |
| Plot: |   | Site manager/supervisor:  |                           |                   |  |
| Ref.  | Item  |   | Yes No                    | Inspected         |  |
| 1.    | Has training been re  | ceived from Cellecta®?  |                           | (initials & date) |  |
| 2.    | Are precast concrete<br>and of mass per unit  | e planks 150mm (min) thick<br>t area 300 kg/m² (min)?   |                           |                   |  |
| 3.    | Are inner leaves to e block density?  | xternal (flanking) walls of the correct   |                           |                   |  |
| 4.    | Are joints between p  | recast concrete planks grouted and sealed?  |                           |                   |  |
| 5.    | Are precast concrete  | e planks built into the masonry walls?  |                           |                   |  |
| 6.    | Is the <b>RUBBER</b> fon <sup>®</sup><br>perimeter walls (inclu<br>thresholds and into v<br>sealed with <b>Cellecta</b> | <b>Edge Strip</b> installed around all room<br>uding door openings, cupboards, across<br>wall recesses) and service pipes and joints<br><sup>®</sup> <b>HG Tape</b> ? |                           |                   |  |
| 7.    | Are <b>RUBBERfon<sup>®</sup> In</b><br>described in Section   | <b>apact 6</b> resilient layer joints formed as<br>4 and sealed with <b>Cellecta<sup>®</sup> HG Tape</b> ?  |                           |                   |  |
| 8.    | Is RUBBERfon <sup>®</sup> Imp<br>RUBBERfon <sup>®</sup> Edge<br>Cellecta <sup>®</sup> HG Tape?                          | <b>bact 6</b> resilient layer overlapping the <b>Strip</b> and joints sealed with   |                           |                   |  |
| 9.    | Are the skirting boar <b>RUBBER</b> fon <sup>®</sup> Edge   | ds isolated from the screed by the <b>Strip</b> ?   |                           |                   |  |
| 10.   | Are all ceiling board sealant?  | joints sealed with tape or caulked with   |                           |                   |  |
| 11.   | Are service pipes wra<br>of nominal 8 kg/m <sup>2</sup> g   | apped in quilt and boxed in with two layers<br>ypsum-based board?   |                           |                   |  |
| 12.   | Is separating floor sa  | atisfactorily complete?   |                           |                   |  |
| Cor   | ntact details for technical a   | assistance from Cellecta®, manufacturer of RUBBE  | R <i>fon</i> ® Impact 6 s | system:           |  |
| Tel   | ephone: 01634 29667   | 7 Fax: 01634 226630 E-mail: tecl  | hnical@cellect            | a.co.uk           |  |
| No    | tes (include details of   | any corrective action)  |                           |                   |  |

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Timber I-Joists 🔳

Use with timber frame walls only



**Note:** Structural framing details may vary slightly between different manufacturers and this is permitted, however, all dimension specifications within this Robust Detail must be adhered to.

# DO

- Lay quilt between all joists, including doubled up I-joists, ensuring no gaps remain
- Ensure floating floor treatment is suitable and is installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions
- Ensure quilt is laid between and not under flooring battens
- Install flanking strips around the perimeter of the flooring board to isolate floor from walls and skirtings
- Ensure resilient ceiling bars are fixed at right angles to the joists
- Ensure timber floor ceiling treatment is either CT1, CT2 or CT3 and is fixed correctly (see page 4)
- Stagger joints in ceiling layers
- Refer to Appendix A

E-FT-1



## 1. External (flanking) wall junction



Masonry outer leaf

External wall cavity (min 50mm)

Mineral wool insulation 10 kg/m<sup>3</sup> (min); 70mm (min) EPS or foil faced PIR with no gaps

Two layers gypsum-based board nominal 8 kg/m<sup>2</sup> each layer

5mm (min) resilient flanking strip

Close cavity with a cavity stop (see Appendix A)

Joists may span in either direction

Close spaces between floor joists with full depth timber blocking or continuous header joist where joists are at right angles to the wall

Seal all perimeter joints with tape or caulk with sealant



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### 2. Separating wall junction



If using **robust**details<sup>®</sup> for wall - refer to Table 3b in introduction to select an appropriate **robust**details<sup>®</sup> separating wall

If using wall requiring pre-completion testing - seek specialist advice

Two layers gypsum-based board total nominal mass per unit area 22 kg/m<sup>2</sup> both sides

5mm (min) resilient flanking strip

Close spaces between floor joists with full depth timber blocking or continuous header joist where joists are at right angles to the wall

Joists may span in either direction

Close cavity with a cavity stop (see Appendix A)

Seal all perimeter joints with tape or caulk with sealant



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# 3. Internal wall junction (non loadbearing)



# 4. Internal wall junction (loadbearing)



## 5. Ceiling treatment for E-FT-1

Timber floor ceiling treatment must be either CT1, CT2 or CT3 (see below). All joints to outer layers of ceiling must be sealed with tape or caulked with sealant.

The maximum load on resilient bars should not exceed that specified in the manufacturer's instructions.

Ensure ceiling layers have staggered joints.

Services must not puncture ceiling linings (except cables, which should be sealed around with flexible sealant)

### **Downlighters and recessed lighting**

Downlighters or recessed lighting may be installed in the ceiling:

- in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions
- at no more than one light per 2m<sup>2</sup> of ceiling area in each room unless the use of a greater density of light fittings is supported by testing undertaken in accordance with Appendix F
- at centres not less than 0.75m
- into openings not exceeding 100mm diameter or 100x100mm

Particular attention should also be paid to Building Regulations Part B - Fire Safety

Note: Only downlighters which have been satisfactorily assessed in accordance with the procedure described in Appendix F "Determination of the acoustic performance of downlighters and recessed lighting in timber separating floors" are acceptable.

### CEILING BOARD FIXINGS MUST NOT PENETRATE OR TOUCH JOISTS

### 16mm (min) resilient bars with CT1 and CT2

16mm (min) metal resilient ceiling bars mounted at right angles to the joists at 400mm centres (bars must achieve a minimum laboratory performance of  $rd\Delta Rw+Ctr=17dB$  and  $rd\Delta Lw=16dB$ ) – see Appendix E

### Ceiling treatment CT1

Two layers of gypsum-based board, composed of 19mm (nominal 13.5 kg/m<sup>2</sup>) fixed with 32mm screws, and 12.5mm (nominal 10 kg/m<sup>2</sup>) fixed with 42 mm screws

### **Ceiling treatment CT2**

Two layers of gypsum-based boards composed of 15mm (nominal 12.5 kg/m<sup>2</sup>) fixed with 25mm screws and second layer of 15mm gypsumbased board (nominal 12.5 kg/m<sup>2</sup>) fixed with 42mm screws

### 25mm (min) resilient bars with CT3

25mm (min) metal resilient ceiling bars mounted at right angles to the joists at 400mm centres (bars must achieve a minimum laboratory performance of  $rd\Delta Rw+Ctr=17dB$  and  $rd\Delta Lw=16dB$ ) - see Appendix E

### Ceiling treatment CT3

Two layers of gypsum-based board, composed of 10mm (nominal 12kg/m<sup>2</sup>) fixed with 30mm screws and second layer of 10mm (nominal 12kg/m<sup>2</sup>) fixed with 30mm screws

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## 6. Floating floor treatment for E-FT-1

Floating floor treatment:

- a) Must achieve a minimum laboratory performance of  $rd \Delta R_w + C_{tr} = 13 dB$  and  $rd \Delta L_w = 15 dB$  - see Appendix C.
- b) Must be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.
- c) Require 5mm (min) resilient flanking strips around the perimeter of the flooring board to isolate floor from walls and skirting.



Services, where required, may be located above or below quilt

- d) For further guidance on floating floor treatments and flanking strips, please refer to Appendix A.
- \* Note void dimension indicated is when floor is loaded to 25 kg/m<sup>2</sup>.

# FFT1 – Resilient composite deep batten system for E-FT-1

- 18 mm (min) t&g flooring board
- gypsum-based board nominal 13.5 kg/m<sup>2</sup>
- FFT1 resilient composite deep battens
- resilient layer must be continuous and pre-bonded to batten
- battens may have the resilient layer at the top or the bottom
- mineral wool quilt laid between battens
   13mm (min) 33-36 kg/m<sup>3</sup>, or
  - 25mm (min) 10-36 kg/m<sup>3</sup>
  - or Cellecta MICRO 15
- ensure any services do not bridge the resilient layer

### Cellecta HiDECK Structural system

• refer to Appendix A3



Services, where required, may be located above or below quilt

# FFT2 – Resilient cradle and batten system for E-FT-1

### Ensure cradles are aligned over joist positions

- 18 mm (min) t&g flooring board
- cradle and batten
- mineral wool quilt laid between battens
- 13mm (min) 33-36 kg/m<sup>3</sup>, or - 25mm (min) 10-36 kg/m<sup>3</sup>
- or Cellecta MICRO 15
- ensure any services do not bridge the resilient layer

### Cellecta HiDECK Structural system

• refer to Appendix A3



## 7. Services - pipes through separating floor





25mm (min) mineral wool quilt (10-36 kg/m<sup>3</sup>) around pipe Pipe boxed in with two layers of gypsumbased board combined nominal 16 kg/m<sup>2</sup> 5mm (min) resilient flanking strip All voids around pipe sealed

flanking strip

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5mm (min) polyethylene foam

Alternative detail

Section



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E-FT-1

# CHECKLIST (to be completed by site manager/supervisor)

| Con  | ipany:   |     |    |                   |
|------|--|-----|----|-------------------|
| Site |  |     |    |                   |
| Plot | Site manager/supervisor:   |     |    |                   |
| Ref. | Item   | Yes | No | Inspected         |
| 1.   | Are timber I-Joists at least 235mm deep?   |     |    | (initials & date) |
| 2.   | Has the specified quilt been fitted between the joists?  |     |    |                   |
| 3.   | Are resilient ceiling bars fitted at right angles to the joists?   |     |    |                   |
| 4.   | Has ceiling system been fitted in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions?   |     |    |                   |
| 5.   | Has floating floor treatment been fitted in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions?   |     |    |                   |
| 6.   | Has the specified quilt been fitted between the floor battens?   |     |    |                   |
| 7.   | Is ceiling treatment CT1, CT2 or CT3 fixed to the resilient bars with correct screws, such that the screws do not touch or penetrate the joists?             |     |    |                   |
| 8.   | Are all joints sealed with tape or caulked with sealant?   |     |    |                   |
| 9.   | Are vertical service pipes wrapped in quilt and boxed in with two layers of gypsum-based board combined nominal mass per unit area of 16 kg/m <sup>2</sup> ? |     |    |                   |
| 10.  | Have all resilient flanking strips been fitted?  |     |    |                   |
| 11.  | Is separating floor satisfactorily complete?   |     |    |                   |
| No   | manager/supervisor signature   |     |    |                   |

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# **Separating Floor – Metal Web Joists**

## Timber flange and metal web joists ■ Use with timber frame walls only

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|  | Floating floor See section 10 for suitable floating floor treatment  |   |  |  |
|--|--|---|--|--|
|  | <ul> <li>Floor decking</li> </ul>  | 18mm thick (min) wood<br>based board, density min<br>600 kg/m <sup>3</sup>  |  |  |
|  | – Joists   | 253mm (min) metal web<br>joists (see joist type below)  |  |  |
|  | <ul> <li>Absorbent<br/>material</li> </ul>   | 100mm (min) mineral wool<br>quilt insulation (10–36 kg/m <sup>3</sup> )<br>or Cellecta MICRO 50<br>between joists |  |  |
|  | - Ceiling  | See section 9 for suitable ceiling treatment  |  |  |
|  |  |   |  |  |
| Joist type   | DO   |   |  |  |
| IMPORTANT  | <ul> <li>Ensure correct metal web joists are being<br/>used (see joist type)</li> </ul>  |   |  |  |
| Only the following metal web joists may be used in E-FT-3:                             | Lay quilt between joists ensuring no gaps  |   |  |  |
| • MiTek Posi-Joist   | remain   |   |  |  |
| Prestoplan PresWeb   | Ensure floating floor treatment is suitable<br>and is installed in accordance with the<br>manufacturer's instructions (See page 7) |   |  |  |
| • WOLF easi-joist  |  |   |  |  |
| ITW Gang-Nail Ecojoist   | Fnource quilt within floating float is laid  |   |  |  |
|  | Ensure quilt within floating floor is laid<br>between and not under flooring battens   |   |  |  |
| Notes:   | Install resilient flanking strips around the   |   |  |  |
| Although single header and sole plates are indicated, increasing the number of         | perimeter of the flooring board to isolate floor from walls and skirtings  |   |  |  |
| header and sole plates would be<br>acceptable, however, all dimension                  | <ul> <li>Ensure resilient ceiling bars are fixed at<br/>right angles to the joists</li> </ul>                                      |   |  |  |
| must be adhered to.  | Ensure timber floor ceiling treatment is   |   |  |  |
| Metal web joists can be top chord/flange   | fixed correctly  | y (see page 6)  |  |  |
| supported or <b>fully built-in</b> and supported                                       | Stagger joints   | s in ceiling layers   |  |  |
| however, all dimension specifications within<br>this Robust Detail must be adhered to. | Refer to Appendix A  |   |  |  |

E-FT-3

## 1. External (flanking) wall junction (top chord supported)



External wall cavity (min 50mm) Mineral wool insulation 10 kg/m<sup>3</sup> (min) Two layers gypsum-based board nominal 8 kg/m<sup>2</sup> each layer 5mm (min) resilient flanking strip Close cavity with a cavity stop (see Appendix A) Joists may span in either direction Softwood timber infill between supporting top chords/flanges of joists built into frame to support floor (Bottom chord not built into frame)

Ring beams packed to stud width Site fixed sheathing board for depth of floor Seal all perimeter joints with tape or caulk with sealant



Masonry outer leaf

# 2. External (flanking) wall junction (fully built-in)



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## 3. Separating wall junction (top chord supported)



If using **robust**details<sup>®</sup> for wall - refer to Table 3b in introduction to select an appropriate **robust**details<sup>®</sup> separating wall

If using wall requiring pre-completion testing - seek specialist advice

Two layers gypsum-based board total nominal mass per unit area 22 kg/m<sup>2</sup> both sides

5mm (min) resilient flanking strip

Softwood timber infill between supporting top chords/flanges of joists

Joists may span in either direction

Ring beams packed to stud width

Close cavity with a cavity stop (see Appendix A)

Softwood timber nogging for resilient bar support (leave a small gap at end of resilient bar)

Seal all perimeter joints with tape or caulk with sealant



Alternative detail

# 4. Separating wall junction (fully built-in)



If using **robust**details<sup>®</sup> for wall - refer to Table 3b in introduction to select an appropriate **robust**details<sup>®</sup> separating wall

If using wall requiring pre-completion testing - seek specialist advice

Two layers gypsum-based board total nominal mass per unit area 22 kg/m $^2$  both sides

5mm (min) resilient flanking strip

Close spaces between floor joists with full depth timber blocking or continuous header joist where joists are at right angles to the wall

Joists may span in either direction

Close cavity with a cavity stop (see Appendix A) Softwood timber nogging for resilient bar support (leave a small gap at end of resilient bar)

Seal all perimeter joints with tape or caulk with sealant



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Seal all perimeter joints with tape or caulk with sealant

Where required internal wall to comply with Building Regulations Requirement E2

5mm (min) resilient flanking strip

Floating floor

Metal web joist (see joist type, page 1)

\*Note - non loadbearing partitions may also be taken directly off the floating floor treatment, check with manufacturer's instructions for installation (see Appendix A)

### 6. Non loadbearing internal wall parallel to joists



# 7. Loadbearing internal wall perpendicular to joists



# 8. Loadbearing internal wall parallel to joists



### 9. Ceiling treatment for E-FT-3

Timber floor ceiling treatment must be either CT1, CT2 or CT3 (see below). All joints to outer layers of ceiling must be sealed with tape or caulked with sealant.

The maximum load on resilient bars should not exceed that specified in the manufacturer's instructions.

Ensure ceiling layers have staggered joints.

Services must not puncture ceiling linings (except cables, which should be sealed around with flexible sealant)



### **Downlighters and recessed lighting**

Downlighters or recessed lighting may be installed in the ceiling:

- in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions
- at no more than one light per 2m<sup>2</sup> of ceiling area in each room unless the use of a greater density of light fittings is supported by testing undertaken in accordance with Appendix F
- at centres not less than 0.75m
- into openings not exceeding 100mm diameter or 100x100mm

Particular attention should also be paid to Building Regulations Part B - Fire Safety

Note: Only downlighters which have been satisfactorily assessed in accordance with the procedure described in Appendix F "Determination of the acoustic performance of downlighters and recessed lighting in timber separating floors" are acceptable.

### CEILING BOARD FIXINGS MUST NOT PENETRATE OR TOUCH JOISTS

### 16mm (min) resilient bars with CT1 and CT2

16mm (min) metal resilient ceiling bars mounted at right angles to the joists at 400mm centres (bars must achieve a minimum laboratory performance of  $rd\Delta Rw+Ctr=17dB$  and  $rd\Delta Lw=16dB$ ) – see Appendix E

### Ceiling treatment CT1

Two layers of gypsum-based board, composed of 19mm (nominal 13.5 kg/m<sup>2</sup>) fixed with 32mm screws, and 12.5mm (nominal 10 kg/m<sup>2</sup>) fixed with 42 mm screws

### **Ceiling treatment CT2**

Two layers of gypsum-based boards composed of 15mm (nominal 11.7 kg/m<sup>2</sup>) fixed with 25mm screws and second layer of 15mm gypsumbased board (nominal 11.7 kg/m<sup>2</sup>) fixed with 42mm screws

### 25mm (min) resilient bars with CT3

25mm (min) metal resilient ceiling bars mounted at right angles to the joists at 400mm centres (bars must achieve a minimum laboratory performance of  $rd\Delta Rw+Ctr=17dB$  and  $rd\Delta Lw=16dB$ ) - see Appendix E

### Ceiling treatment CT3

Two layers of gypsum-based board, composed of 10mm (nominal 12kg/m<sup>2</sup>) fixed with 30mm screws and second layer of 10mm (nominal 12kg/m<sup>2</sup>) fixed with 30mm screws

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This guidance relates only to specific aspects of Part E (England & Wales) & Part G (Northern Ireland)

## 10. Floating floor treatment for E-FT-3

Floating floor treatment:

- a) Must achieve a minimum laboratory performance of  $rd \Delta R_w + C_{tr} = 13 dB$  and  $rd \Delta L_w = 15 dB$  - see Appendix C.
- b) Must be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.
- c) Require 5mm (min) resilient flanking strips around the perimeter of the flooring board to isolate floor from walls and skirting.



Services, where required, may be located above or below quilt

- d) For further guidance on floating floor treatments and flanking strips, please refer to Appendix A.
- \* Note void dimension indicated is when floor is loaded to 25 kg/m<sup>2</sup>.

# FFT1 – Resilient composite deep batten system for E-FT-3

- 18 mm (min) t&g flooring board
- gypsum-based board nominal 13.5 kg/m<sup>2</sup>
- FFT1 resilient composite deep battens
- battens may have the resilient layer at the top or the bottom
- mineral wool quilt laid between battens
   13mm (min) 33-36 kg/m<sup>3</sup>, or
  - 25mm (min) 10-36 kg/m<sup>3</sup> or Cellecta MICRO 15
- ensure any services do not bridge the resilient layer
- \* Note Services may run within the floor zone (see Appendix A)

### Cellecta HiDECK Structural system

• refer to Appendix A3



Services, where required, may be located above or below quilt

# FFT2 – Resilient cradle and batten system for E-FT-3

### Ensure cradles are aligned over joist positions

- 18 mm (min) t&g flooring board
- cradle and batten
- mineral wool quilt laid between battens
  - 13mm (min) 33-36 kg/m<sup>3</sup>, or
  - 25mm (min) 10-36 kg/m<sup>3</sup>
     or Cellecta MICRO 15
- ensure any services do not bridge the resilient layer

### Cellecta HiDECK Structural system

• refer to Appendix A3

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## 11. Services - pipes through separating floor



### Section

Sketch shows top chord supported external (flanking) wall junction detail, for fully built-in arrangement see section 2

25mm (min) mineral wool quilt (10-36 kg/m<sup>3</sup>) around pipe

Pipe boxed in with two layers of gypsumbased board, combined nominal 16 kg/m<sup>2</sup>

5mm (min) resilient flanking strip

All voids around pipe sealed



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# CHECKLIST (to be completed by site manager/supervisor)

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|---|--|------------|--------------------------------|
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|   | eiling treatment CT1, CT2 or CT3 fixed to the resilient bars<br>correct screws such that the screws do<br>touch or penetrate the joists?   |            |                                |
| I <b>0.</b> Are a caul  | all joints to gypsum-based boards sealed with tape or ked with sealant?  |            |                                |
| 11. Are two   | vertical service pipes wrapped in quilt and boxed in with layers of gypsum-based board combined nominal mass unit area of 16 kg/m <sup>2</sup> ?   |            |                                |
| 1 <b>2.</b> Have  | e all resilient flanking strips been fitted?   |            |                                |
| 13. Is se   | eparating floor satisfactorily complete?   |            |                                |

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# Separating Floor – Timber I-Joists

### Cellecta<sup>®</sup> ScreedBoard<sup>®</sup> 28 on timber sub-floor ■

Timber I-Joists

E-FT-5

Use with timber frame walls only ■



**Note:** Structural framing details may vary slightly between different manufacturers and this is permitted, however, all dimension specifications within this Robust Detail must be adhered to.

## DO

- Lay quilt (min 100mm thick) or Cellecta<sup>®</sup>
   MICRO 50 between all joists, including doubled up timber I-joists, ensuring no gaps remain
- Apply Cellecta<sup>®</sup> SB adhesive to all Cellecta<sup>®</sup> ScreedBoard<sup>®</sup> 28 decking joints
- Install Cellecta<sup>®</sup> YELOfon<sup>®</sup> FS50 flanking angle around the perimeter of the Cellecta<sup>®</sup> ScreedBoard<sup>®</sup> 28 to isolate floor from walls and skirtings
- Ensure resilient ceiling bars are fixed at right angles to the joists
- Ensure ceiling treatment is fixed correctly (see section 5)
- Stagger joints in ceiling layers
- Refer to Appendix A

Separating Floor – Timber I-Joists

#### 1. External (flanking) wall junction



#### 2. Separating wall junction



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#### 3. Internal wall junction (non loadbearing)



#### 4. Internal wall junction (loadbearing)



#### 5. Ceiling treatment for E-FT-5

- The maximum load on resilient bars should not exceed that specified in the manufacturer's instructions
- Ensure ceiling layers have staggered joints.
- Services must not puncture ceiling linings (except cables, which should be sealed around with flexible sealant)

#### CT1 and CT2 – Must include second ceiling



# CEILING BOARD FIXINGS MUST NOT PENETRATE OR TOUCH JOISTS

#### 16mm (min) resilient bars with CT1 and CT2

16mm (min) metal resilient ceiling bars mounted at right angles to the joists at 400mm centres (bars must achieve a minimum laboratory performance of rd $\Delta$ Rw+Ctr=17dB and rd $\Delta$ Lw=16dB) – see Appendix E

#### Ceiling treatment CT1

Two layers of gypsum-based board, composed of 19mm (nominal 13.5 kg/m<sup>2</sup>) fixed with 32mm screws, and 12.5mm (nominal 10 kg/m<sup>2</sup>) fixed with 42 mm screws

#### **Ceiling treatment CT2**

Two layers of gypsum-based boards composed of 15mm (nominal 12.5 kg/m<sup>2</sup>) fixed with 25mm screws and second layer of 15mm gypsum-based board (nominal 12.5 kg/m<sup>2</sup>) fixed with 42mm screws

#### Downlighters and recessed lighting

Downlighters or recessed lighting may be installed in the second ceiling in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions

Particular attention should also be paid to Building Regulations Part B - Fire Safety



*Cellecta*<sup>®</sup> HP30 30mm deep metal resilient bar fixed perpendicular to floor joists at 600mm (max) centres

#### **Ceiling treatment CT3**

Two layers of gypsum-based boards composed of 15mm (nominal 12.5 kg/m<sup>2</sup>) fixed with 25mm screws and second layer of 15mm gypsum-based board (nominal 12.5 kg/m<sup>2</sup>) fixed with 42mm screws

#### Downlighters and recessed lighting

Downlighters or recessed lighting may be installed in the primary ceiling:

- in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions
- at no more than one light per 2m<sup>2</sup> of ceiling area in each room unless the use of a greater density of light fittings is supported by testing undertaken in accordance with Appendix F
- at centres not less than 0.75m
- into openings not exceeding 100mm diameter or 100x100mm

Particular attention should also be paid to Building Regulations Part B - Fire Safety

Note: Only downlighters which have been satisfactorily assessed in accordance with the procedure described in Appendix F "Determination of the acoustic performance of downlighters and recessed lighting in lightweight separating floors" are acceptable.

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This guidance relates only to specific aspects of Part E (England & Wales) & Part G (Northern Ireland)

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CT3 - min. 240mm Joists. Second ceiling optional

E-FT-5

#### 6. Underfloor heating systems below ScreedBoard®



#### Section

#### 7. Services - pipes through separating floor



#### Section

(initials & date)

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# **CHECKLIST** (to be completed by site manager/supervisor)

| Company:  |                          |        |           |
|-----------|--------------------------|--------|-----------|
| Site:     |                          |        |           |
| Plot:     | Site manager/supervisor: |        |           |
| Ref. Item |                          | Yes No | Inspected |

- 1. Are timber I-joists minimum 235mm deep? (see also point 6 below)
- 2. Is sub-deck minimum 18mm, 600 kg/m<sup>3</sup>?
- 3. Are YELOfon® FS50 flanking angles installed correctly?
- 4. Has the ScreedBoard® 28 floating floor treatment to in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions
- 5. Where underfloor heating is used, is FIBREfon® 8 in addition to the ScreedBoard® 20?
- 6. Are the correct type of resilient ceiling bars used a accordance with the manufacturer's instructions, a angles to the joists (Cellecta® HP30 bars and min. joists must be used if second ceiling is not include
- 7. Has the specified quilt been fitted between the jois
- 8. Are the ceiling treatments fixed to the resilient bars correct screws, such that the screws do not touch penetrate the joists?
- 9. For CT1 or CT2 is secondary ceiling void minimum
- 10. Are all joints sealed with tape or caulked with seals
- 11. Are vertical service pipes wrapped in quilt and box two layers of gypsum-based board combined nom per unit area of 16 kg/m<sup>2</sup>?
- 12. Is separating floor satisfactorily complete?

|  | Has the ScreedBoard <sup>®</sup> 28 floating floor treatment been fitted in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions?  |  |  |  |
|--|---|--|--|--|
|  | Where underfloor heating is used, is FIBREfon <sup>®</sup> 8 installed in addition to the ScreedBoard <sup>®</sup> 20?  |  |  |  |
|  | Are the correct type of resilient ceiling bars used and fitted, in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions, at right angles to the joists ( <i>Cellecta</i> <sup>®</sup> HP30 bars and min. 240mm joists must be used if second ceiling is not included)? |  |  |  |
|  | Has the specified quilt been fitted between the joists?   |  |  |  |
|  | Are the ceiling treatments fixed to the resilient bars with correct screws, such that the screws do not touch or penetrate the joists?  |  |  |  |
|  | For CT1 or CT2 is secondary ceiling void minimum 150mm?   |  |  |  |
| ).   | Are all joints sealed with tape or caulked with sealant?  |  |  |  |
| Ι.   | Are vertical service pipes wrapped in quilt and boxed in with two layers of gypsum-based board combined nominal mass per unit area of 16 kg/m <sup>2</sup> ?  |  |  |  |
| 2.   | Is separating floor satisfactorily complete?  |  |  |  |
| Contact details for technical assistance from Cellecta®, manufacturer of ScreedBoard® 28 system: |   |  |  |  |

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|--|-------------------|----------------------------------|--|--|--|--|
| Notes (include details of any corrective action) |                   |                                  |  |  |  |  |
|  |                   |                                  |  |  |  |  |
| Site manager/supervisor signa                    | ature             |                                  |  |  |  |  |

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# **Appendix A2 – Specific Flanking Conditions**

RoofSpace I-Roof<sup>™</sup> "room-in-roof" panel system using **robust**details<sup>®</sup> timber or masonry cavity walls. Refer to Table 6 in Introduction.

1. Room-in-roof junction with timber frame cavity walls



3. Separating wall - roof junction



#### Key

- 1 RoofSpace I-Roof<sup>™</sup> spandrel panel.
- 2 RoofSpace I-Roof™ roof panel.
- 3 RoofSpace internal floor cassette.
- a Timber wall plate bedded on 10mm mortar bed to take out unevenness in blockwork.
- b Minimum 100mm blockwork.
- c Timber frame separating wall leaf.
- d Cavity closer.
- e Gypsum-based board dependent on Robust Detail being used.
- f Nominal 8mm render coat (refer to relevant robust details® separating wall).
- g Vertical metal straps at 1200mm centres if required.
- h 25 x 38mm counterbatten.
- i 2 layers gypsum-based board total nominal 22 kg/m<sup>2</sup>.
- j 2 layers gypsum-based board total minimum 19.6 kg/m<sup>2</sup>.

#### Spandrel panel cavity insulation (optional)

The cavity between the spandrel panels may be insulated with mineral wool rolls or batts with a density of 18-40 kg/m<sup>3</sup>. Ensure insulation thickness is no greater than 10mm wider than cavity width to avoid excessive compression of the insulation.

2. Room-in-roof junction with masonry cavity walls



4. Internal floor cassette junction option



5. Separating wall - roof junction - stepped terrace



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# **Appendix A2 – Specific Flanking Conditions**

Space4 "room-in-roof" panel system using robust details® timber or masonry cavity walls. Refer to Table 6 in Introduction.

separating wall junction

1. Non room-in-roof spandrel panel to timber

3. Roof cassette to timber separating wall junction for room-in-roof



2. Spandrel panel to masonry separating wall junction



4. Internal floor junction for room-in-roof



#### Key

- 1 Space4 spandrel panel.
- 2 Space4 roof cassette.
- a Minimum 1 layer nominal 8 kg/m<sup>2</sup> gypsum-based board to ceiling.
- b robust details® separating wall.
- c Mineral wool 18-40 kg/m<sup>3</sup>.
- d OSB underdraw overlaid with minimum 1 layer gypsum-based board nominal 16 kg/m<sup>2</sup> total.
- e Vertical metal straps at 1200mm centres if required.
- f Wall plate fully bedded on mortar with no gaps.
- g Mineral wool 12-25 kg/m3.

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