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### Agrément Certificate

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Product Sheet 1

## EWI PRO EXTERNAL WALL INSULATION SYSTEMS

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This Agrément Certificate Product Sheet<sup>(1)</sup> relates to EWI PRO EPS External Wall Insulation Systems, comprising mechanically fixed white or grey expanded polystyrene (EPS) insulation with supplementary adhesive, reinforced basecoat and render finishes. They are suitable for use on the outside of external walls in new and existing domestic and non-domestic buildings, up to 18 metres in height.

(1) Hereinafter referred to as 'Certificate'.

#### CERTIFICATION INCLUDES:

- factors relating to compliance with Building Regulations where applicable
- factors relating to additional non-regulatory information where applicable
- independently verified technical specification
- assessment criteria and technical investigations
- design considerations
- installation guidance
- regular surveillance of production
- formal three-yearly review.

#### KEY FACTORS ASSESSED

**Thermal performance** — the systems can be used to improve the thermal performance of external walls and can contribute to satisfying the requirements of the national Building Regulations (see section 6).

**Strength and stability** — the systems can adequately resist wind loads and have sufficient resistance to impact damage. The impact resistance is dependent on the finish chosen (see section 7).

**Behaviour in relation to fire** — the systems have a reaction to fire classification of B-s2, d0 in accordance with BS EN 13501-1 : 2007 (see section 8).

**Risk of condensation** — the systems can contribute to limiting the risk of interstitial and surface condensation (see section 11).

**Durability** — when installed and maintained in accordance with the Certificate holder's recommendations and the terms of the Certificate, the systems will remain effective for at least 30 years (see section 13).

The BBA has awarded this Certificate to the company named above for the systems described herein. These systems have been assessed by the BBA as being fit for their intended use provided they are installed, used and maintained as set out in this Certificate..

On behalf of the British Board of Agrément

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## Regulations

In the opinion of the BBA, EWI PRO EPS External Wall Insulation Systems, if installed, used and maintained in accordance with this Certificate, can satisfy or contribute to satisfying the relevant requirements of the following Building Regulations (the presence of a UK map indicates that the subject is related to the Building Regulations in the region or regions of the UK depicted):



### The Building Regulations 2010 (England and Wales) (as amended)

<b>Requirement:</b>	<b>A1</b>	<b>Loading</b>
Comment:	The systems can sustain and transmit wind loads to the substrate wall. See sections 7.1 to 7.11 of this Certificate.	
<b>Requirement:</b>	<b>B4(1)</b>	<b>External fire spread</b>
Comment:	The systems can satisfy this Requirement. See sections 8.1 to 8.4 of this Certificate.	
<b>Requirement:</b>	<b>C2(b)</b>	<b>Resistance to moisture</b>
Comment:	The systems can provide a degree of protection against rain ingress. See section 10.1 of this Certificate.	
<b>Requirement:</b>	<b>C2(c)</b>	<b>Resistance to moisture</b>
Comment:	The systems can contribute to minimising the risk of interstitial and surface condensation. See sections 11.1, 11.2 and 11.4 of this Certificate.	
<b>Requirement:</b>	<b>L1(a)(i)</b>	<b>Conservation of fuel and power</b>
Comment:	The systems can contribute to satisfying this Requirement. See sections 6.2 and 6.5 of this Certificate.	
<b>Regulation:</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>Materials and workmanship</b>
Comment:	The systems are acceptable. See section 13.1 and the <i>Installation</i> part of this Certificate.	
<b>Regulation:</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>CO<sub>2</sub> emission rates for new buildings</b>
<b>Regulation:</b>	<b>26A</b>	<b>Fabric energy efficiency rates for new dwellings (applicable to England only)</b>
<b>Regulation:</b>	<b>26A</b>	<b>Primary energy consumption rates for new buildings (applicable to Wales only)</b>
<b>Regulation:</b>	<b>26B</b>	<b>Fabric performance values for new dwellings (applicable to Wales only)</b>
Comment:	The systems can contribute to satisfying these Regulations.	



### The Building (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (as amended)

<b>Regulation:</b>	<b>8(1)(2)</b>	<b>Durability, workmanship and fitness of materials</b>
Comment:	The systems can contribute to the construction satisfying this Regulation. See sections 12 and 13.1 and the <i>Installation</i> part of this Certificate.	
<b>Regulation:</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>Building standards applicable to construction</b>
<b>Standard:</b>	<b>1.1</b>	<b>Structure</b>
Comment:	The systems can sustain and transmit wind loads to the substrate wall. See sections 7.1 to 7.11 of this Certificate.	
<b>Standard:</b>	<b>2.6</b>	<b>Spread to neighbouring buildings</b>
Comment:	The systems can satisfy this Standard, with reference to clauses 2.6.4 <sup>(1)(2)</sup> , 2.6.5 <sup>(1)</sup> and 2.6.6 <sup>(2)</sup> . See sections 8.1 to 8.6 of this Certificate.	
<b>Standard:</b>	<b>2.7</b>	<b>Spread on external walls</b>
Comment:	The systems can satisfy this Standard and are acceptable for use more than one metre from a boundary, with reference to clauses 2.7.1 <sup>(1)(2)</sup> and 2.7.2 <sup>(2)</sup> . See sections 8.1 to 8.6 of this Certificate.	

Standard: Comment:	3.10	Precipitation The systems can contribute to a construction satisfying this Standard, with reference to clauses 3.10.1 <sup>(1)(2)</sup> and 3.10.2 <sup>(1)(2)</sup> . See section 10.1 of this Certificate.
Standard: Comment:	3.15	Condensation The systems can contribute to satisfying this Standard, with reference to clauses 3.15.1 <sup>(1)(2)</sup> , 3.15.4 <sup>(1)(2)</sup> and 3.15.5 <sup>(1)(2)</sup> . See sections 11.3 and 11.4 of this Certificate.
Standard: Standard: Comment:	6.1(b) 6.2	Carbon dioxide emissions Building insulation envelope The systems can contribute to satisfying these Standards, with reference to clauses (or parts of) 6.1.1 <sup>(1)</sup> , 6.1.2 <sup>(1)(2)</sup> , 6.1.3 <sup>(1)(2)</sup> , 6.1.6 <sup>(1)</sup> , 6.1.10 <sup>(2)</sup> , 6.2.1 <sup>(1)(2)</sup> , 6.2.3 <sup>(1)</sup> , 6.2.4 <sup>(2)</sup> , 6.2.5 <sup>(2)</sup> , 6.2.6 <sup>(1)</sup> , 6.2.7 <sup>(1)</sup> , 6.2.8 <sup>(2)</sup> , 6.2.9 <sup>(1)(2)</sup> , 6.2.10 <sup>(1)</sup> , 6.2.11 <sup>(1)</sup> , 6.2.12 <sup>(2)</sup> and 6.2.13 <sup>(1)(2)</sup> . See sections 6.2 and 6.5 of this Certificate.
Standard: Comment:	7.1(a)(b)	Statement of sustainability The systems can contribute to satisfying the relevant requirements of Regulation 9, Standards 1 to 6, and therefore will contribute to a construction meeting the bronze level of sustainability as defined in this Standard. In addition, the system can contribute to a construction meeting a higher level of sustainability as defined in this Standard with reference to clauses 7.1.4 <sup>(1)(2)</sup> [Aspect 1 <sup>(1)(2)</sup> and 2 <sup>(1)</sup> ], 7.1.6 <sup>(1)(2)</sup> [Aspect 1 <sup>(1)(2)</sup> and 2 <sup>(1)</sup> ] and 7.1.7 <sup>(1)(2)</sup> [Aspect 1 <sup>(1)(2)</sup> ]. See section 6.2 of this Certificate.
Regulation: Comment:	12	<b>Building standards applicable to conversions</b> All comments given for the systems under Regulation 9, Standards 1 to 6, also apply to this Regulation, with reference to clause 0.12.1 <sup>(1)(2)</sup> and Schedule 6 <sup>(1)(2)</sup> .
(1) Technical Handbook (Domestic). (2) Technical Handbook (Non-Domestic).		



## The Building Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2012 (as amended)

Regulation: Comment:	23	<b>Fitness of materials and workmanship</b> The systems are acceptable. See section 13.1 and the <i>Installation</i> part of this Certificate.
Regulation: Comment:	28(b)	<b>Resistance to moisture and weather</b> Walls insulated with the systems can satisfy this Regulation. See section 10.1 of this Certificate.
Regulation: Comment:	29	<b>Condensation</b> Walls insulated with the systems can satisfy the requirements of this Regulation. See section 11.4 of this Certificate.
Regulation: Comment:	30	<b>Stability</b> The systems can sustain and transmit wind loads to the substrate wall. See sections 7.1 to 7.11 of this Certificate.
Regulation: Comment:	36(a)	<b>External fire spread</b> The systems have a low-risk surface and can satisfy this Regulation. See sections 8.1 to 8.4 of this Certificate.
Regulation: Regulation: Comment:	39(a)(i) 40	<b>Conservation measures</b> <b>Target carbon dioxide emission rate</b> The systems can contribute to satisfying these Regulations. See sections 6.2 and 6.5 of this Certificate.

## Construction (Design and Management) Regulations 2015

## Construction (Design and Management) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2016

Information in this Certificate may assist the client, designer (including Principal Designer) and contractor (including Principal Contractor) to address their obligations under these Regulations.

See section: 3 *Delivery and site handling* (3.2 and 3.3) of this Certificate.

### Additional Information

#### NHBC Standards 2018

In the opinion of the BBA, EWI PRO EPS External Wall Insulation Systems, if installed, used and maintained in accordance with this Certificate, can satisfy or contribute to satisfying the relevant requirements in relation to *NHBC Standards*<sup>(1)</sup>, Part 6 *Superstructure (excluding roofs)*, Chapter 6.9 *Curtain Walling and Cladding*.

(1) There is a general requirement in NHBC Standards Chapter 6.9 for fire retardant treated insulation to be used with this system in accordance with BS EN 13163 : 2012.

### Technical Specification

#### 1 Description

1.1 EWI PRO EPS External Wall Insulation Systems consist of grey and white EPS insulation boards, mechanically fixed to the substrate wall with supplementary adhesive (ensuring a minimum of 30% coverage of adhesive after the boards have been pressed against the wall), glass-fibre-reinforced basecoat, key coat and render finishes (see Table 1 and Figure 1). After the boards have been secured to the wall with adhesive and the required number of mechanical fixings, the basecoat (prepared as described in section 1.2) is trowel-applied over the boards to the required thickness, followed by the reinforcing mesh, which is fully embedded within the basecoat. After the basecoat has fully cured, primer (depending on the finishing coat) is applied followed by the render finish, in accordance with the Certificate holder's installation instructions and this Certificate.

1.2 The systems comprise:

##### Adhesive (supplementary)

- EWI-210 EPS Adhesive — cement-based adhesive supplied as powder, requiring the addition of 0.25 litres of clean water per kg of adhesive and applied at a coverage rate of between 4.0 and 5.0 kg·m<sup>-2</sup> in strips and dabs, to cover at least 30% of the board.

##### Insulation

- EPS 70 white and EPS 70 graphite-enhanced (grey) insulation boards — 1200 by 600 mm, in a range of thicknesses between 50 and 250 mm in 10 mm increments, with a nominal density of 15 kg·m<sup>-3</sup> for white EPS and 17 kg·m<sup>-3</sup> for grey EPS, minimum compressive strength of 70 kN·m<sup>-2</sup> and tensile strength perpendicular to the faces of 100 kN·m<sup>-2</sup>. Boards are manufactured to comply with the requirements of BS EN 13163 : 2012 and are classified as Euroclass E in accordance with BS EN 13501-1 : 2007. For declared thermal conductivity values ( $\lambda_D$ ), see Table 2 of this Certificate.

##### Mechanical fixings

Mechanical fixings<sup>(1)</sup> — anchors of adequate length to suit the substrate and insulation thickness, approved by the BBA and supplied by the Certificate holder, and selected from:

- EJOT NT U — high-density polyethylene (HDPE) anchor sleeve with a stainless steel or electro-galvanized centre pin
- EJOT STR U — HDPE anchor sleeve with a stainless steel or electro-galvanized centre screw

- EJOT NTK U — HDPE anchor sleeve with a polyamide, PA GF 50 centre pin
- EJOT SDM-T plus U — polyamide, ultramid B3L or polyamide, gril on BZ 1/2 anchor sleeve with stainless steel or electro-galvanized centre screw
- Klimas Wkret-met eco-drive S — polyamide PA6 anchor sleeve (anchor plate includes an integrated EPS insulation cover) with electro-galvanized centre screw.

(1) Other fixings may be used provided they can be demonstrated to have equal or higher pull-out strength, plate diameter and plate stiffness characteristics (see Table 4).

### **Basecoat**

- EWI-220 EPS Basecoat — cement-based powder requiring the addition of 0.25 litres of clean water per kg of basecoat. Basecoat is applied to a thickness of between 3 and 5 mm (always 5 mm for two layers of reinforcing mesh).

### **Reinforcement**

- Eurowek FGM-145-001 — glass-fibre mesh with a nominal weight of 145 g·m<sup>-2</sup> and mesh size of 4.5 by 5.0 mm and applied in one or two layers
- Eurowek FGM-160-001 — glass-fibre mesh with a nominal weight of 160 g·m<sup>-2</sup> and mesh size of 4.5 by 4.5 mm and applied in one or two layers
- Eurowek ES-330 — glass-fibre mesh with a nominal weight of 330 g·m<sup>-2</sup> and mesh size of 9.0 by 6.0 mm and applied in one or two layers.

### **Primers**

- EWI-330 Mineral and Acrylic Primer — ready-to-use primer, for use with acrylic and mineral finishing coats
- EWI-332 Silicone Primer — ready-to-use primer, for use with EWI-075 Silicone Render
- EWI-333 SISI Silicone-Silicate Primer — ready-to-use primer, for use with EWI-040 Silicone-Silicate Render.

### **Render finishes<sup>(1)</sup>**

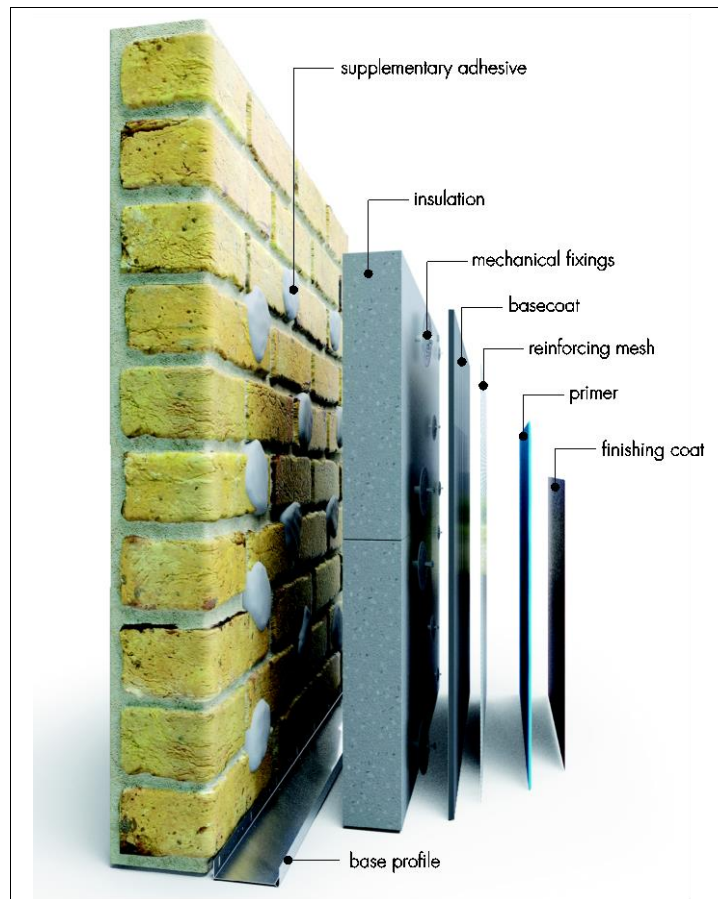
- EWI-060 Mineral Render — mineral render, supplied as a powder, which requires the addition of 0.25 litres of clean water per kg of render, available in a range of colours, with 1.0, 1.5, 2.0 and 3.0 mm grain size. The render is only for use with a single layer of reinforcing mesh and a basecoat thickness of 3 mm
- EWI-010 Acrylic Render — acrylic render available in a range of colours, with 0.5, 1.0, 1.5, 2.0 and 3.0 mm grain sizes
- EWI-075 Silicone Render — silicone render available in a range of colours, with 0.5, 1.0, 1.5, 2.0 and 3.0 mm grain sizes
- EWI-040 Silicone-Silicate Render — silicone/silicate render available in a range of colours, with 0.5, 1.0, 1.5, 2.0 and 3.0 mm grain sizes.

(1) Thickness is regulated by the grain size.

### **Paint (for use with the EWI-060 Mineral Render only)**

- EWI-005 Silicone Paint —silicone resin emulsion.

Figure 1 EWI PRO EPS External Wall Insulation Systems



1.3 Ancillary materials used with the systems are a range of aluminium or PVC-U profiles, comprising:

- starter/base profile
- edge, corner and render stop profiles
- connector profile and fixings.

1.4 Ancillary materials also used with the systems, but outside the scope of this Certificate, are:

- algae and fungicidal wash
- sealant — silicone in accordance with BS EN ISO 11600 : 2003
- fire barrier.

## 2 Manufacture

As part of the assessment and ongoing surveillance of product quality, the BBA has:

- agreed with the manufacturer the quality control procedures and product testing to be undertaken
- assessed and agreed the quality control operated over batches of incoming materials
- monitored the production process and verified that it is in accordance with the documented process
- evaluated the process for management of nonconformities
- checked that equipment has been properly tested and calibrated
- undertaken to carry out the above measures on a regular basis through a surveillance process, to verify that the specifications and quality control operated by the manufacturer are being maintained.

## 3 Delivery and site handling

3.1 The boards are delivered to site wrapped in polythene. Each pack carries the product identification mark and batch numbers.

3.2 The remaining components are delivered in the quantities and packages listed in Table 1. Each package carries the manufacturer's and product identification mark and batch number.

*Table 1 Component supply details*

Component	Quantity/packaging
Adhesive, basecoat and EWI-060 Mineral Render	25 kg paper bag
EWI-010 Acrylic, EWI-075 Silicone and EWI-040 Silicone-Silicate Renders	25 kg tubs
Primers	7 and 21 kg tubs
EWI-005 Silicone Paint	15 litre tub
Mechanical fixings	boxed by manufacturer
Reinforcing mesh	1 m wide x 50 m length rolls

3.3 The boards should be stored on a firm, clean, level base, off the ground and under cover until required for use. The boards should be protected from prolonged exposure to sunlight, either by storing opened packs under cover or re-covering with opaque polythene sheeting. The boards should not be exposed to open flame or other ignition sources.

3.4 Care must be taken when handling the boards to avoid contact with solvents or materials containing volatile organic components. Boards that become damaged must be discarded.

3.5 The powder adhesive and render must be stored in dry conditions, off the ground, and protected from moisture. Contaminated materials should be discarded.

3.6 The primers, paint and renders must be stored in tightly closed original packaging, in cool dry conditions and protected from excessive heat and frost at all times.

## Assessment and Technical Investigations

The following is a summary of the assessment and technical investigations carried out on EWI PRO EPS External Wall Insulation Systems.

## Design Considerations

### 4 General

4.1 EWI PRO EPS External Wall Insulation Systems, when installed in accordance with this Certificate, are satisfactory for use in reducing the thermal transmittance (U value) of external masonry or concrete walls of new and existing buildings. It is essential that the detailing techniques specified in this Certificate are carried out to a high standard if the ingress of water into the insulation is to be avoided and the full thermal benefit obtained from treatment with the systems (eg the insulation must be protected by an overhang, and window sills should be designed and installed so as to direct water away from the building).

4.2 For improved thermal/carbon-emissions performance of the structure, the designer should consider additional/alternative fabric and/or services measures.

4.3 The systems are for application to the outside of external walls of masonry, or normal weight concrete, lightweight concrete, autoclaved concrete and no-fines concrete construction, on new or existing domestic and non-domestic buildings (with or without existing render) up to 18 metres in height. Prior to installation of the systems, wall surfaces should comply with section 14.

4.4 New walls subject to the national Building Regulations should be constructed in accordance with the relevant recommendations of:

- BS EN 1992-1-1 : 2004 and its UK National Annex
- BS EN 1996-1-1 : 2005 and its UK National Annex
- BS EN 1996-2 : 2006 and its UK National Annex
- BS 8000-0 : 2014
- BS 8000-2.2 : 1990



- BS 8000-3 : 2001.

4.5 New walls, not subject to regulatory requirements should also be built in accordance with the Standards identified in section 4.4.

4.6 Movement joints should be incorporated into the systems in line with existing expansion joints in the building structure, in accordance with the Certificate holder's recommendations for the specific installation.

4.7 The systems will improve the weather resistance of a wall and provide a decorative finish. However, for existing buildings, they should only be installed where there are no signs of dampness on the inner surface of the wall other than those caused solely by condensation.

4.8 The effect of the systems on the acoustic performance of a construction is outside the scope of this Certificate.

4.9 The fixing of sanitary pipework, plumbing, rainwater goods, satellite dishes, clothes lines, hanging baskets and similar items to the systems is outside the scope of this Certificate. See section 4.10.

4.10 External pipework and ducts should be removed before installation, and alterations made to underground drainage to accommodate repositioning of the pipework to the finished face of the systems. The Certificate holder may advise on suitable fixing methods, but these are outside the scope of this Certificate.

4.11 The designer should select a construction appropriate to the local wind-driven rain index, paying due regard to the design detailing, workmanship and materials to be used.

4.12 It is essential that the systems are installed and maintained in accordance with the conditions set out in this Certificate.

## 5 Practicability of installation

The systems should only be installed by specialist contractors who have successfully undergone training and registration by the Certificate holder (see section 15).

Note: The BBA operates a UKAS-Accredited Approved Installer Scheme for external wall insulation (non-mandatory); details of approved installers are included on the BBA website ([www.bbacerts.co.uk](http://www.bbacerts.co.uk))

## 6 Thermal performance

6.1 Calculations of thermal transmittance (U value) should be carried out in accordance with BS EN ISO 6946 : 2017 and BRE Report BR 443 : 2006, using the declared thermal conductivity values ( $\lambda_D$ ) of the insulations given in Table 2.

*Table 2 Declared thermal conductivity values ( $\lambda_D$ ) and available thicknesses*

Insulation type	Thickness (mm)	Thermal conductivity ( $\text{W}\cdot\text{m}^{-1}\cdot\text{K}^{-1}$ )
EPS 70 white	50 to 250	0.038
EPS 70 grey		0.032



6.2 The U value of a completed wall will depend on the insulation type and thickness, fixing method, the type and number of fixings, and the insulating value of the substrate masonry and its internal finish. Calculated U values for sample constructions in accordance with the national Building Regulations are given in Table 3, and are based on the thermal conductivities given in Table 2.

*Table 3 Insulation thickness required to achieve design U values<sup>(1)(2)(3)</sup> given in the national*



Building Regulations				
U value <sup>(4)</sup> (W·m <sup>-2</sup> ·K <sup>-1</sup> )	Thickness of Insulation (mm)			
	215 mm brickwork, $\lambda = 0.56 \text{ W·m}^{-1}\cdot\text{K}^{-1}$		200 mm dense blockwork, $\lambda = 1.75 \text{ W·m}^{-1}\cdot\text{K}^{-1}$	
	EPS 70 white 038	EPS 70 grey 032	EPS 70 white 038	EPS 70 grey 032
0.18	200	170	210	180
0.19	190	160	200	170
0.25	140	120	150	120
0.26	130	110	140	120
0.28	120	100	130	110
0.30	110	90	120	100
0.35	90	80	100	90

- (1) Wall construction inclusive of 13 mm plaster ( $\lambda = 0.57 \text{ W·m}^{-1}\cdot\text{K}^{-1}$ ), brickwork (protected) with 17.1% mortar or dense blockwork with 6.7% mortar ( $\lambda = 0.88 \text{ W·m}^{-1}\cdot\text{K}^{-1}$ ). Declared thermal conductivity of insulation values ( $\lambda_D$ ) is as shown in Table 2. An adhesive layer (5 mm thick with  $\lambda = 0.43 \text{ W·m}^{-1}\cdot\text{K}^{-1}$  covering 30% of the area) is also included, and a board emissivity of 0.9, together with an external render thickness of 4.5 mm with  $\lambda = 1 \text{ W·m}^{-1}\cdot\text{K}^{-1}$ .
- (2) Calculations based on a bonded system that included approximately six polyamide fixings per square metre with a point thermal transmittance ( $X_p$ ) of  $0.003 \text{ W·K}^{-1}$  per steel pin. Use of other types of fixings should be calculated in accordance with BS EN ISO 6946 : 2017. A gap correction ( $\Delta U''$ ) of zero is assumed.
- (3) Based upon an incremental insulation thickness of 10 mm.
- (4) When applying the maximum available insulation thickness, these walls can achieve U values from 0.13 to  $0.16 \text{ W·m}^{-2}\cdot\text{K}^{-1}$  depending on insulation and wall type.

6.3 The systems can maintain, or contribute to maintaining, continuity of thermal insulation at junctions between external walls and other elements.

6.4 Care must be taken in the overall design and construction of junctions with other elements and openings to minimise thermal bridges and air infiltration.



6.5 Details shown in section 16 will allow use of the default  $\psi$ -values (Psi) for Accredited Construction Details in Emission Rate calculations to SAP 2009 or the Simplified Building Energy Model (SBEM). Detailed guidance can be found in the documents supporting the national Building Regulations.

## 7 Strength and stability

### General



7.1 The Certificate holder is ultimately responsible for the design of installations incorporating the systems, and must verify that a suitably experienced and qualified individual (with adequate professional indemnity) establishes that:

- the wind loads on the different zones of the building's elevation for the specific geographical location have been calculated correctly (see section 7.2)
- the systems can adequately resist and safely transfer the calculated loads, accounting for all possible failure modes, to the substrate wall and supporting structure (see sections 7.2 to 7.5)
- the substrate wall and supporting structure has adequate strength and stability to resist the additional loads that may be applied as a result of installing the systems, ignoring any positive contribution that may occur from the systems.

7.2 The wind loads on the walls should be calculated, taking into account all relevant factors such as location and topography, in accordance with BS EN 1991-1-4 : 2005 and its UK National Annex. All of the factors affecting wind load on each elevation and specific zone of the building must be considered. In accordance with BS EN 1990 : 2002 and its UK National Annex, a partial factor of 1.5 must be applied to the calculated characteristic wind pressure values to establish the design wind load to be resisted by the systems.

7.3 Installations correctly designed in accordance with this Certificate will safely accommodate the applied loads due to the self-weight of the system, wind and impact.

7.4 Positive wind load is transferred to the substrate wall directly via compression through the render and insulation systems.

7.5 Negative wind load is transferred to the substrate wall via<sup>(1)(2)</sup>:

- the bond between the insulation and render system (see section 7.6)
- the pull-out resistance of the fixing from the substrate wall (see section 7.7)
- the pull-through resistance of the fixing (see section 7.8).

(1) For mechanically fixed systems with supplementary adhesive, the contribution of the adhesive is not considered when calculating resistance to wind load.

(2) Further guidance is available from BBA Guidance Note 1, available on the BBA website ([www.bbacerts.co.uk](http://www.bbacerts.co.uk)).

7.6 The characteristic bond resistance between the insulation and render interface derived from test results was  $80 \text{ kN}\cdot\text{m}^{-2}$ . The design resistance of the bond between the insulation and render ( $N_{RD1}$ ) should be taken as the characteristic bond resistance divided by a partial factor of 9.

7.7 Typical characteristic pull-out resistances for the fixings taken from the corresponding European Technical Assessment (ETA) are given in Table 4; the values are dependent on the fixing type and must be selected to suit the specific loads and substrate concerned. In situations where suitable data does not exist<sup>(1)</sup>, the characteristic pull-out resistance must be established from site-specific pull-out tests conducted on the substrate of the building to ascertain the minimum resistance to pull-out failure of the fixings, and determined in accordance with the guidance given in EOTA TR051 : 2016 (minimum test characteristic value =  $0.6 \times$  mean of 5 lowest test results). To obtain the design pull-out resistance of the fixings ( $N_{RD2}$ ), this characteristic pull-out resistance should then be divided by the partial factor given in Table 4.

(1) To qualify as suitable data, the age and condition of the substrate must be equivalent to that used to establish the values in the ETA.

*Table 4 Fixings — Typical characteristic pull-out resistances*

Fixing type <sup>(1)</sup>	ETA number	Substrate	Drill diameter (mm)	Effective anchorage depth (mm)	Characteristic pull-out resistance (kN) <sup>(2)</sup>	Partial factor
Ejotharm NT U	05/0009	Concrete C12/15 Clay brickwork	8	25	1.2 1.5	2
Ejotharm SDM-T plus U	04/0064	Concrete C12/15 Clay brickwork	8	70	1.5	2
Ejotharm NTK U	07/0026	Concrete C12/15 Clay brickwork	8	40	0.6 0.9	2
Ejotharm STR U	04/0023	Concrete C12/15 Clay brickwork	8	25 <sup>(2)</sup>	1.5	2
Klimas Wret-met eco-drive S	13/0107	Concrete C12/15 Clay brickwork	8	35 <sup>(2)</sup>	1.2 1.5	2

(1) The minimum values for plate stiffness of fixings is  $0.5 \text{ kN}\cdot\text{mm}^{-2}$  and the load resistance is 1.44 kN.

(2) Values are determined in accordance with EAD 330196-00-0604 : 2016 and are dependent on the substrate. The Use Categories are defined in the corresponding ETA.

7.8 The characteristic pull-through resistance of the fixings was determined from tests using a 60 mm diameter fixing plate and minimum insulation thickness of 60 mm. The design resistance per fixing ( $N_{RD3}$ ) is obtained by applying an appropriate partial factor as shown in Table 5.

**Table 5 Design pull-through resistances**

Factor (unit)	White/Grey EPS Insulation 1200 x 600 mm	
	Pull-through	
Tensile resistance of the insulation (kN·m <sup>-2</sup> )	≥ 100	
Fixing type <sup>(1)</sup>	Ejotherm	
Fixing plate diameter (mm)	60	
Insulation thickness (mm)	≥ 60	
Characteristic pull-through resistance <sup>(2)</sup> per fixing (kN)	Panel joints	0.45
	At panel	0.53
Partial factor <sup>(3)</sup>	2.5	
Design pull-through resistance per fixing (N <sub>RD3</sub> ) (kN)	Panel joints	0.18
	At panel	0.21
Design pull-through resistance per board (kN) (based on minimum number of fixings) <sup>(4)</sup>	0.78	
Design pull-through resistance per board (kN) (based on maximum number of fixings) <sup>(5)</sup>	2.38	

(1) See Table 4 for the typical characteristic pull-out resistance of the fixings.

(2) Characteristic pull-through resistance of insulation over the head of the fixing, in accordance with BS EN 1990 : 2002, Annex D7.2 and its UK National Annex.

(3) The partial factor is based on the assumption that all boards are quality controlled and tested to establish tensile strength perpendicular to the face of the board.

(4) The minimum design pull-through resistance per board is based on a minimum of 4 fixings per board (1200 x 600 mm), which equates to approximately 6 fixings per m<sup>2</sup>. The design resistance for the minimum number of fixings is based on the fixing pattern shown in Figure 5, and minimum insulation thickness specified in Table 5. The fixing pattern, and interaction of the fixings, should be considered when calculating the design resistance per board.

(5) The maximum design pull-through resistance per board is based on a maximum of 12 fixings per board (1200 mm x 600 mm), which equates to approximately 16 fixings per m<sup>2</sup>. The design resistance for the maximum number of fixings is only applicable to the minimum insulation thickness tested and as specified in Table 5. The fixing pattern, insulation thickness and interaction of the fixings should be considered when calculating the design resistance per board.

7.9 The number and spacing of the fixings should be determined by the Certificate holder. The number of fixings must not be less than the minimum specified for the systems and should be symmetrically positioned and evenly distributed both vertically and horizontally, except at openings and building corners.

7.10 The data obtained from sections 7.6 to 7.8 must be assessed against the design wind load and the following expression must be satisfied for safe design:

$$R_d \geq W_e$$

$$R_{d,b.ins/render} = A_r * N_{RD1}$$

$$R_{d,pull-out} = n * N_{RD2}$$

$$R_{d,pull-through} = (N_{RD3panel} * n_{panel}) + (N_{RD3joint} * n_{joint}) / A_{board}$$

Where:

$R_d$  is the design ultimate resistance (kN·m<sup>-2</sup>) taken as the minimum of  $R_{d,b.ins/render}$ ,  $R_{d,pull-out}$  and  $R_{d,pull-through}$   
 $W_e$  is the applied ultimate wind load (kN·m<sup>-2</sup>)  
 $R_{d,b.ins/render}$  is the design bond resistance between the insulation and render (kN·m<sup>-2</sup>)  
 $R_{d,pull-out}$  is the design pull-out resistance of the insulation fixings per metre square (kN·m<sup>-2</sup>)

$R_{d\text{pull-through}}$	is the design pull-through resistance of the insulation fixings per metre square ( $\text{kN}\cdot\text{m}^{-2}$ )
$A_r$	is the reinforced basecoat bond area (based on % area covered)
$N_{RD1}$	is the design adhesive bond resistance between the insulation and render, based on test ( $\text{kN}\cdot\text{m}^{-2}$ )
$n$	is the number of anchor fixings per $\text{m}^2$
$N_{RD2}$	is the design pull-out resistance per fixing based on test (kN)
$N_{RD3\text{panel}}$	is the design pull-through resistance per anchor not placed at the panel joint, based on test (kN)
$N_{RD3\text{joint}}$	is the design pull-through resistance per anchor placed at the panel joint, based on test (kN)
$n_{\text{panel}}$	is the number of internal anchors in a panel
$n_{\text{joint}}$	is the number of joint anchors in a panel
$A_{\text{board}}$	is the area of the board ( $\text{m}^2$ ).

7.11 The systems are mechanically fixed to the substrate wall with a minimum of 4 fixings per board or approximately 6 fixings per square metre, as per the fixing pattern shown in Figure 5, and in conjunction with a minimum 30% coverage of supplementary adhesive (see section 16). Additional fixings may be required, depending on the results of the calculations detailed above for the specific site.

## Impact resistance

7.12 Hard body impact tests were carried out in accordance with ETAG 004 : 2013. The systems are suitable for use in the Use Categories up to and including those specified in Table 6.

*Table 6 Impact resistance*

Render systems: EWI-220 EPS Basecoat + primer + finishing coats indicated below:	Use Category <sup>(1)</sup>	
	Single mesh	Double mesh
EWI-060 Mineral Render + EWI-005 Silicone Paint	Category III	Category I
EWI-010 Acrylic Render	Category II	Category I
EWI-075 Silicone Render	Category II	Category I
EWI-040 Silicone-Silicate Render	Category II	Category I

(1) The Use Categories are defined in ETAG 004 : 2013 as:

- Category I — a zone readily accessible at ground level to the public and vulnerable to hard body impacts but not subjected to abnormally rough use
- Category II — a zone liable to impacts from thrown or kicked objects, but in public locations where the height of the systems will limit the size of the impact; or at lower levels where access to the building is primarily to those with some incentive to exercise care.
- Category III — a zone not likely to be damaged by normal impacts caused by people or by thrown or kicked objects.

## 8 Behaviour in relation to fire

### General



8.1 The reaction to fire classification for the systems is B-s2, d0 in accordance with BS EN 13501-1 : 2007.

8.2 The fire classification applies to the full range of thicknesses covered by this Certificate.

8.3 The systems are restricted for use in buildings up to 18 metres in height.

8.4 For houses in Scotland, and for all buildings in England and Wales and Northern Ireland, the systems are considered suitable for use on, or at any distance from, the boundary.

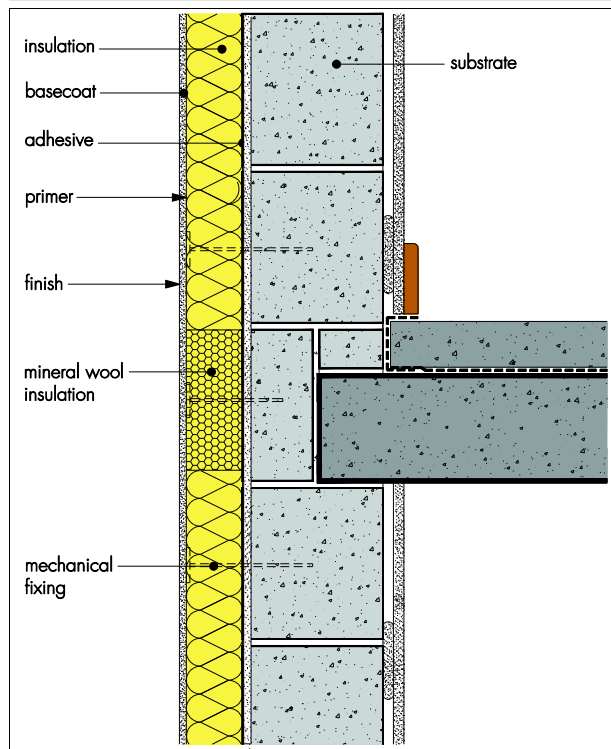


8.5 For flats and maisonettes and non-domestic buildings in Scotland, the systems are only suitable for use more than one metre from the boundary.

8.6 The systems are not classified as 'non-combustible'; therefore, calculations for unprotected areas may apply, dependent on the fire resistance characteristics of the wall.

8.7 For application to second storey walls and above, it is recommended that the designer considers at least one stainless steel fixing per square metre and fire barriers in line with compartment walls and floors, as advised in BRE Report BR 135 : 2013 (see Figure 2 of this Certificate).

Figure 2 Fire barrier details



## 9 Proximity of flues and appliances

When the systems are installed in close proximity to certain flue pipes, the relevant provisions of the national Building Regulations should be satisfied:

**England and Wales** — Approved Document J

**Scotland** — Mandatory Standard 3.19, clause 3.19.4<sup>(1)(2)</sup>

(1) Technical Handbook (Domestic).

(2) Technical Handbook (Non-Domestic).

**Northern Ireland** — Technical Booklet L.

## 10 Water resistance



10.1 The systems will provide a degree of protection against rain ingress. However, care should be taken to ensure that walls are adequately weathertight prior to application of the systems. The systems may only be installed where there are no signs of dampness on the inner surface of the substrate other than those caused solely by condensation.

10.2 Designers and installers should take particular care in detailing around openings, penetrations and movement joints to minimise the risk of water ingress.

10.3 The guidance given in BRE Report BR 262 : 2002 should be followed in connection with the water tightness of solid wall constructions. The designer should select a construction appropriate to the local wind-driven rain index, paying due regard to the design detailing, workmanship and materials to be used.

10.4 At the tops of walls, the systems should be protected by an adequate coping, overhang or other detail designed for use with these types of systems (see section 16.28).

## 11 Risk of condensation



11.1 Designers must ensure that an appropriate condensation risk analysis has been carried out for all parts of the construction, including openings and penetrations at junctions between the systems and windows, to minimise the risk of condensation. The recommendations of BS 5250 : 2011 should be followed.

### Surface condensation



11.2 Walls will adequately limit the risk of surface condensation when the thermal transmittance (U value) does not exceed  $0.7 \text{ W} \cdot \text{m}^{-2} \cdot \text{K}^{-1}$  at any point and the junctions with other elements and openings comply with section 6.3.



11.3 Walls will adequately limit the risk of surface condensation when the thermal transmittance (U value) does not exceed  $1.2 \text{ W} \cdot \text{m}^{-2} \cdot \text{K}^{-1}$  at any point. Guidance may be obtained from BS 5250 : 2011 section 4 and Annex G, and BRE Report BR 262 : 2002.

### Interstitial condensation



11.4 Walls incorporating the systems will adequately limit the risk of interstitial condensation when they are designed and constructed in accordance with BS 5250 : 2011 section 4 and Annexes D and G, and Table 7 of this Certificate.

11.5 The water vapour resistance factor ( $\mu$ ) for the boards and equivalent air layer thicknesses ( $S_d$ ) for the render systems are shown in Table 7.

Table 7 Water vapour resistance factor and equivalent air layer thickness

	3 mm thick basecoat $S_d$ (m)	5 mm thick basecoat $S_d$ (m)	( $\mu$ )
EPS – insulation thickness 50 to 250 mm (white and grey EPS 70)	—	—	20 to 40 <sup>(1)</sup>
Rendering system: reinforced EWI-220 EPS Basecoat + primer + finish coat (specific particle size), as indicated below:			
EWI-330 Mineral and Acrylic Primer + EWI-060 Mineral Render (particle size 1.5 mm) + EWI-005 Silicone Paint	0.3	—	—
EWI-330 Mineral and Acrylic Primer + EWI-010 Acrylic Render (particle size 3 mm)	0.4	0.5	—
EWI-332 Silicone Primer + EWI-075 Silicone Render (particle size 3 mm)	0.4	0.5	—
EWI-333 SISI Silicone-Silicate Primer + EWI-040 Silicone-Silicate Render (particle size 3 mm)	0.4	0.4	—

(1) It is recommended that the lower figure is used when assessing the interstitial condensation risk.

## 12 Maintenance and repair



12.1 Regular checks should be made on the installed systems, including:

- an initial inspection after 12 months and subsequently every five years
- visual inspection of the render for signs of damage. Cracks in the render exceeding 0.2 mm must be repaired

- examination of the sealant around openings and service entry points
- visual inspection of architectural details designed to shed water to confirm that they are performing properly
- visual inspection to ensure that water is not leaking from external downpipes or gutters; such leakage could penetrate the rendering
- necessary repairs effected immediately and the sealant joints at window and door frames replaced at regular intervals
- maintenance schedules, which should include the replacement and resealing of joints, for example between the systems and window and door frame.

12.2 Damaged areas must be repaired using the appropriate components and procedures detailed in the Certificate holder's installation instructions, and in accordance with BS EN 13914-1 : 2016.

## 13 Durability



13.1 The systems will remain effective for at least 30 years, provided any damage to the surface finish is repaired immediately, and regular maintenance is undertaken as described in section 12.

13.2 The render may become discoloured with time, the rate depending on the initial colour, the degree of exposure and atmospheric pollution, as well as the design and detailing of the wall. In common with traditional renders, discolouration by algae and lichens may occur in wet areas. The appearance may be restored by a suitable power wash or, if required, by over coating. Care should be taken not to adversely affect the water vapour transmission or fire characteristics of the systems. The advice of the Certificate holder should be sought as to the suitability of a particular product.

## Installation

## 14 Site survey and preliminary work

14.1 A pre-installation survey of the property must be carried out to determine suitability for installation and the need for any necessary repairs to the building structure before application of the systems. A specification is prepared for each elevation of the building indicating:

- the position of profiles
- detailing around windows and doors and at eaves
- dpc level
- exact position of expansion joints, if required
- additional corner mesh and reinforcement, where required
- areas where flexible sealants must be used
- any alterations to external plumbing
- the position of fire barriers, where required.

14.2 The survey should include tests conducted on the walls of the building by the Certificate holder or their approved installers (see section 15), to determine the pull-out resistance of the proposed mechanical fixings for the appropriate substrate. An assessment and recommendation are made on the type and number of fixings required to withstand the building's expected wind loading, based on calculations using the fixing's pull-out resistance test data (see section 7).

14.3 All modifications, such as an alteration to external plumbing, provision for cavity barriers and fire stopping (see section 8), and necessary repairs to the building structure, must be completed before installation of the systems commences.

14.4 Surfaces should be sound, clean and free from loose material. The flatness of surfaces must be checked; this may be achieved using a straight edge spanning the storey height. Any excessive irregularities, ie greater than 10 mm in one metre, must be made good prior to installation to ensure that the boards are installed with a smooth, in-plane finished surface.

14.5 Where surfaces are covered with an existing render, it is essential that the bond between the background and the render is adequate. All loose areas should be hacked off and reinstated.



14.6 On existing buildings, purpose-made window sills must be fitted to extend beyond the finished face of the systems. New buildings should incorporate suitably deep sills.

14.7 In new buildings, internal wet work (eg screed or plastering) should be completed and allowed to dry prior to the application of the systems.

## **15 Approved Installers**

Application of the systems, within the context of this Certificate, must be carried out by installers approved, recommended or recognised by the Certificate holder. Such an installer is a company:

- employing operatives who have been trained and approved by the Certificate holder to install the systems
- which has undertaken to comply with the Certificate holder's application procedure, containing the requirement for each application team to include at least one member-operative trained by the Certificate holder
- subject to at least one inspection per annum by the Certificate holder to ensure suitable site practices are being employed. This may include unannounced site inspections.

## **16 Procedure**

### **General**

16.1 Installation of the systems must be carried out in accordance with the Certificate holder's current installation instructions and this Certificate.

16.2 Weather conditions should be monitored to ensure correct application and curing conditions. The systems should not be applied at temperatures below 5°C or above 25°C, if exposure to frost is likely or in damp/wet conditions. The render must be protected from rapid drying and should not be applied on elevations in direct sunlight or where the substrate is hot.

16.3 The planarity of the substrate must be checked, and any protrusions exceeding 10 mm removed.

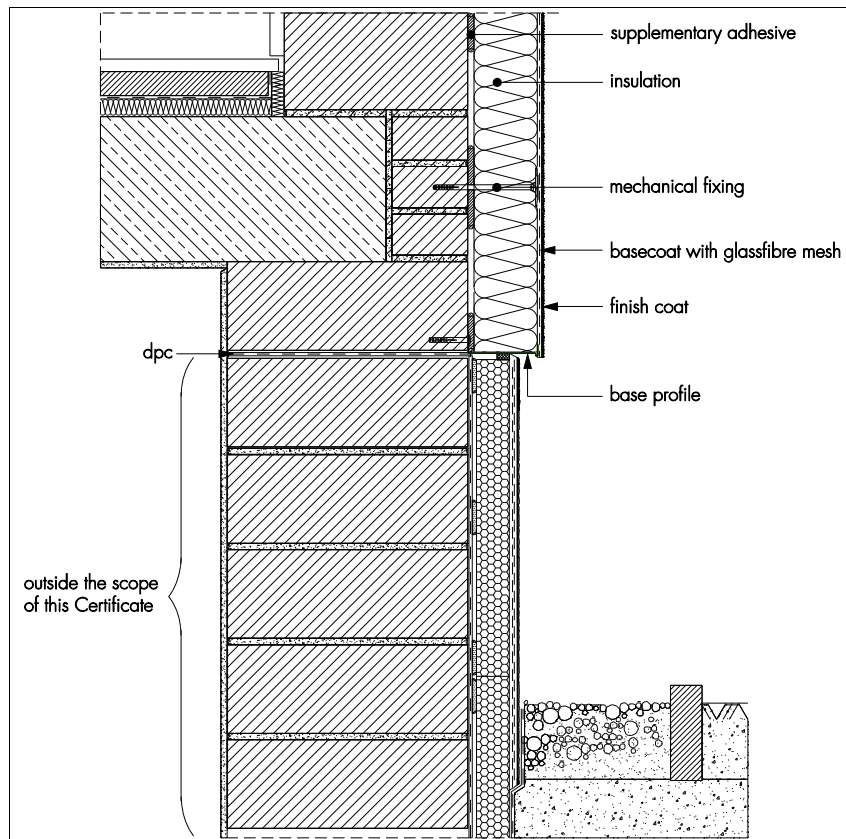
16.4 All rendering should be in accordance with the relevant recommendations of BS EN 13914-1 : 2016.

16.5 Before installation takes place, the building designer must confirm where items such as rainwater goods, satellite dishes, clothes lines and hanging baskets will be placed. The fixing points for these items must be specifically designated and built into the systems as the insulation is installed. This is outside the scope of this Certificate.

### **Positioning and securing boards**

16.6 The base profile is secured to the external wall above the dpc level using mechanical fixings at a minimum of 300 mm centres. Profiles and expansion joints are fitted as specified (see Figure 3).

*Figure 3 Typical section of base profiles*

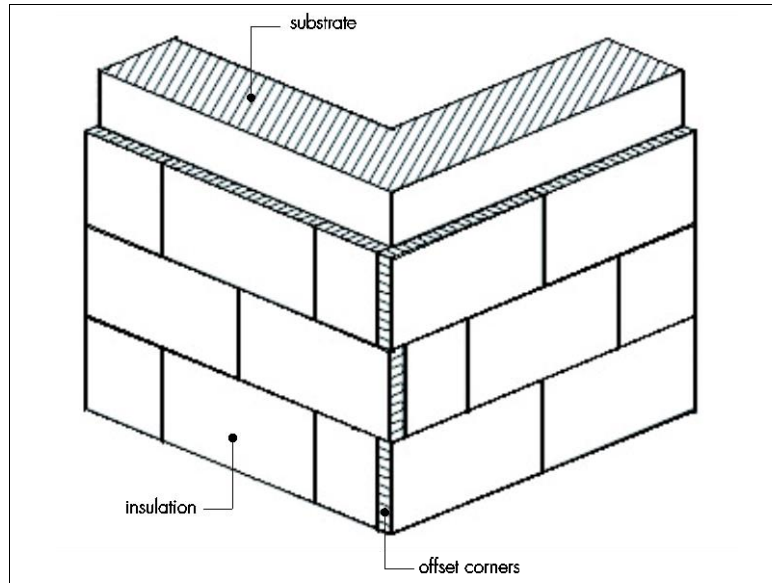


16.7 The adhesive is mixed in a suitable container using potable water, and a high power drill and mixer spiral to create a paste-like mortar, ensuring there are no clots in the mixed material, in accordance with the Certificate holder's instructions (see section 1.2). The boards are positioned on the starter track and initially bonded to the wall by applying the approved adhesive to the boards using the strips and dots method. A circumferential strip of adhesive is applied with three evenly distributed patches so that an adhesive surface of at least 30% is achieved. If the substrate is levelled the adhesive can also be applied with a notched trowel with a layer of up to 5 mm depth, to cover 100% of the slab surface. The insulation board should be immediately placed on the substrate and pressed into place. The adhesive mix must be used within two hours of mixing.

16.8 The first run of boards is positioned on the base profile and pressed firmly against the wall. Care should be taken to ensure that all board edges are butted tightly together, and alignment is checked as work proceeds (to achieve a flush finish).

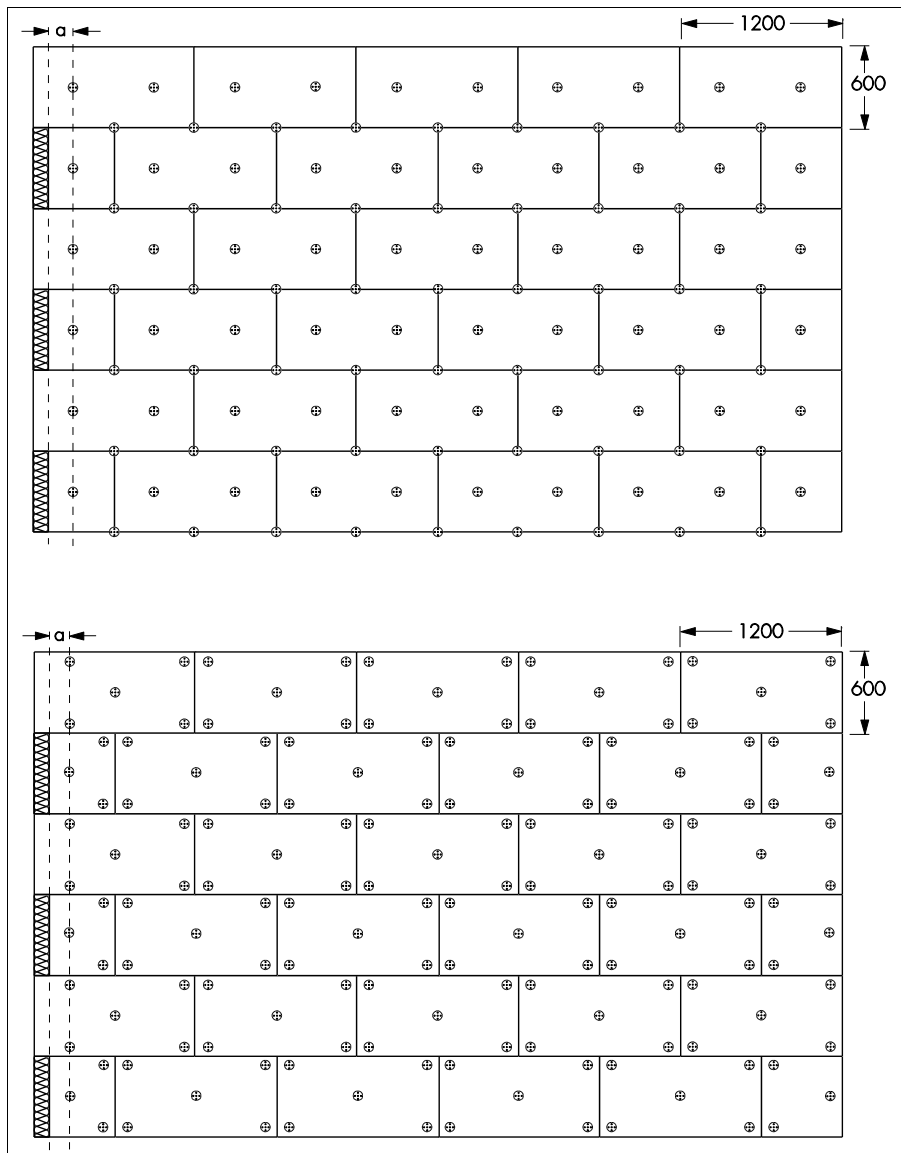
16.9 Subsequent rows of boards are positioned so that the vertical board joints are staggered and overlapped at the building corners (see Figure 4); the alignment should be constantly checked as work proceeds. Gaps must be filled with strips of the insulation material or foam filler approved by the Certificate holder.

*Figure 4 Typical arrangement of boards*



16.10 Details of mechanical fixings (including their arrangement in the boards) are specified in the project-specific design requirements based on pull-out test results and wind-loading data. A minimum of 5.5 fixings per m<sup>2</sup> should be installed in the main area of the wall, unless otherwise specified in the project-specific design (see Figure 5). If required, extra fixings can be applied at the edge zones to satisfy the wind load conditions. Holes are drilled into the substrate through the insulation, and the fixings are installed, fixing tightly to the board using the dedicated driving system to ensure there is no risk of pull-off. Installation of mechanical fixings can begin no earlier than 48 hours after the insulation boards have been adhesively fixed, and only once the adhesive has hardened. Care must be taken to ensure that the fixings are not overdriven.

**Figure 5 Insulation board fixing patterns (all dimensions in mm)**



a. The minimum edge distance should be  $\geq 100$  mm.

16.11 Where existing render is on the wall or dubbing out render has been used, care should be taken when aligning the boards as the effective embedment will be reduced. The surface of the boards should be smooth without high spots or irregularities. Any high spots or irregularities should be removed by lightly planing with a rasp. After sufficient stabilisation of the installed insulation (during which time the insulation should be protected from exposure to extreme weather conditions to prevent degradation), the wall is ready for the application of the basecoat.

16.12 To fit around details such as doors and windows, boards may be cut with a sharp knife or a fine-tooth saw. Purpose-made window sills, seals and deflection channels designed to prevent or manage water ingress and allow water to be shed clear of items bridging the cavity should be fitted. The performance of these components is outside the scope of this Certificate.

16.13 At all locations where there is a risk of insulant exposure (eg window reveals or eaves), the systems must be protected, eg by an adequate overhang or by purpose-made sub-sills, seals or flashing.

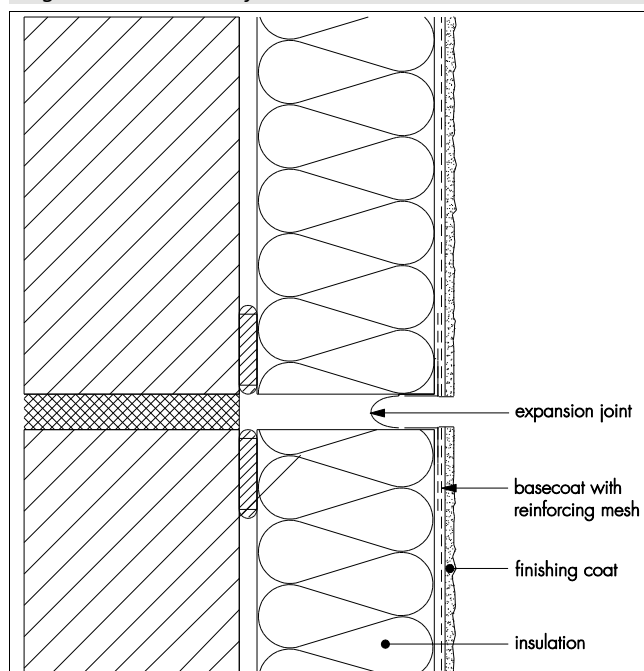
16.14 Building corners, door and window heads and jambs are formed using corner profiles in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions. Corner profiles are fixed to all building corners.

16.15 Installation continues until the whole wall is completely covered including, where appropriate, the building soffits.

## Movement joints

16.16 Movement joints should be incorporated, where required. Existing structural expansion joints should be extended through to the surface of the systems (see Figure 6).

**Figure 6 Movement joint detail**



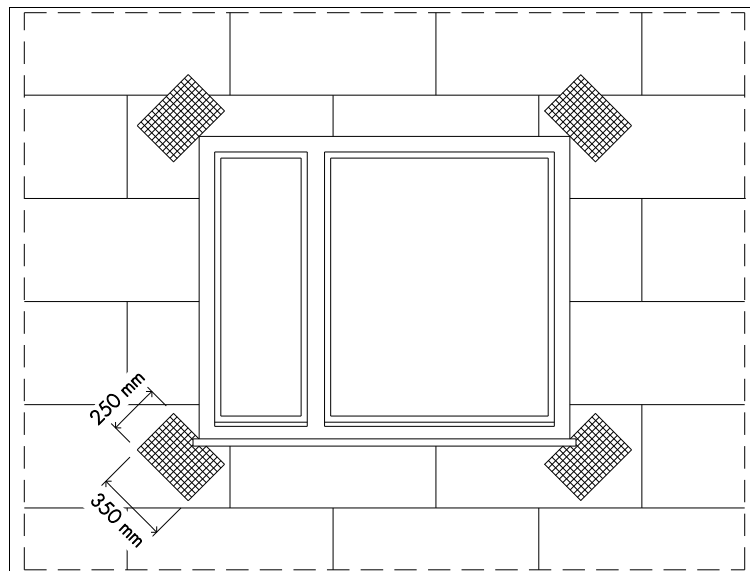
## Application of basecoat and reinforcing mesh

16.17 Prior to the application of the basecoat and reinforcing mesh, a bead of silicone sealant is applied at window and door frames, overhanging eaves, gas and electric meter boxes, and wall vents, or where the render abuts any other building material or surface. Alternatively, an appropriate sealing tape may be used between the insulation and the object, to provide a waterproof seal.

16.18 The basecoat is mixed in a suitable container using potable water and a high power drill and mixer spiral, to create a paste-like mortar, ensuring there are no clots in the mixed material, in accordance with the Certificate holder's instructions (see section 1.2). The material is applied over the boards using a notched steel trowel to a thickness of between 3 and 5 mm (maximum 6 mm build-up). The reinforcing mesh is applied and is immediately embedded into the basecoat; the reinforcing mesh must be overlapped at all mesh joints by at least 100 mm. The mechanical strength of the systems will be increased by installing a double layer of reinforcing mesh in an additional 5 mm thick basecoat for each layer.

16.19 Additional pieces of reinforcing mesh are applied diagonally at the corners of openings, to provide the necessary reinforcement in accordance with the Certificate holder's instructions (see Figure 7).

**Figure 7 Additional reinforcement at openings**



16.20 Corner profiles are fixed to door and window heads and jambs, and are formed using basecoat in accordance with the Certificate holder's instructions.

16.21 Stop profiles are positioned vertically, eg at separating wall positions where the adjoining property does not require treatment.

#### **Rendering and finishing**

16.22 Prior to the render coat, the relevant seals are positioned and installed at all openings (eg windows and doors), overhanging eaves, gas and electric meter boxes, wall vents or where the render abuts any other building material or surface.

16.23 The basecoat must be allowed to dry/cure (for approximately two to three days), prior to the application of the primer/render finish . Prior to the application of the render finish, sealant should be applied as required, as defined in the project-specific site package in accordance with the Certificate holder's instructions.

16.24 Primers (see section 1.2 for list of primers and their compatibility with the finishing coats) must be applied in accordance with the Certificate holder's instructions and allowed to dry for approximately one to three days, prior to the application of the render finish .

16.25 The render finishes are applied to the required thicknesses (see section 1.1 ), using a stainless steel trowel and finished with a plastic float to create a textured finish. The drying time is dependent on conditions. EWI-060 Mineral Render, once dry, must be painted (see section 1.1 *Paint*).

16.26 Care should be taken in the detailing of the systems around features such as openings, projections and at eaves (see Figures 8 to 10) to ensure adequate protection against water ingress and to limit the risk of water penetrating the systems.

16.27 The systems should be allowed to dry thoroughly before painting any of the surrounding features.

16.28 At the top of walls, the systems must be protected by a coping, adequate overhang or adequately sealed, purpose-made flashing.

Figure 8 Typical roof eaves detail

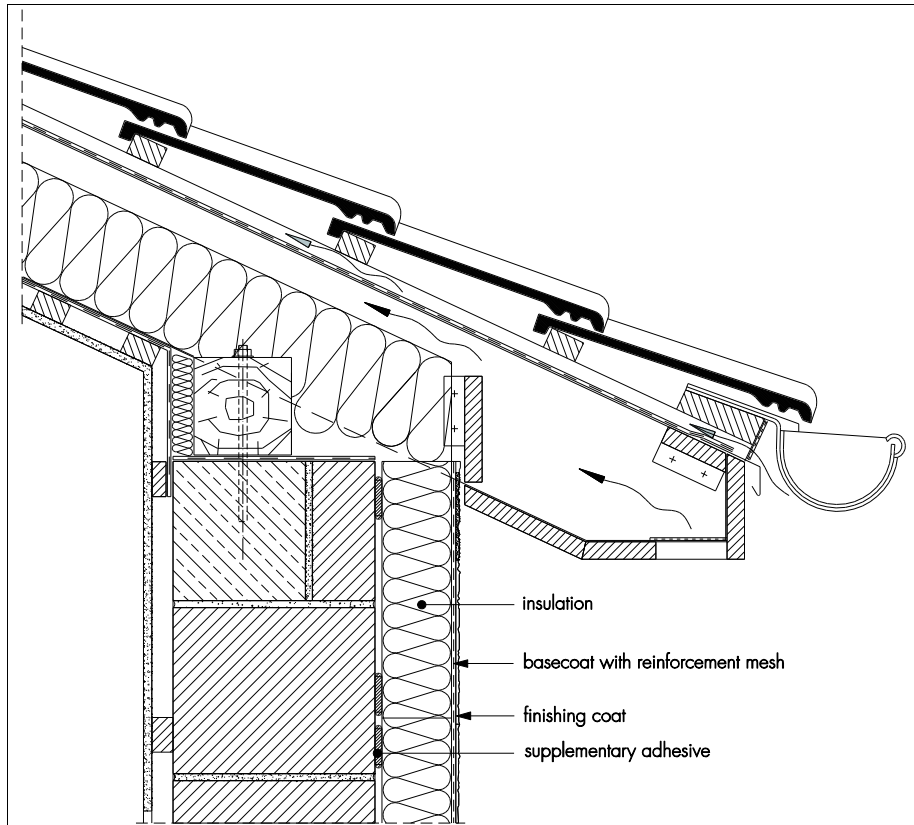


Figure 9 Insulated reveal detail

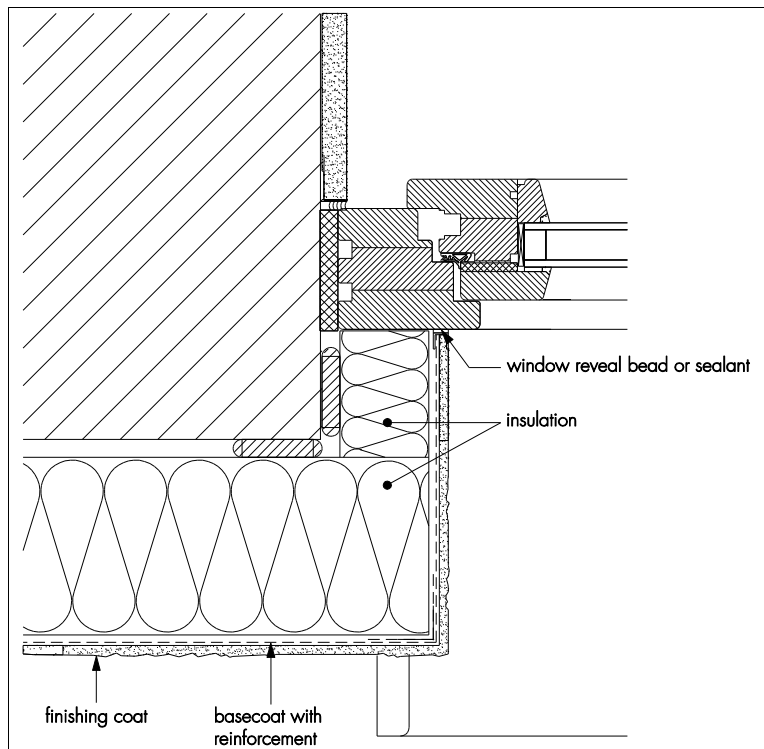
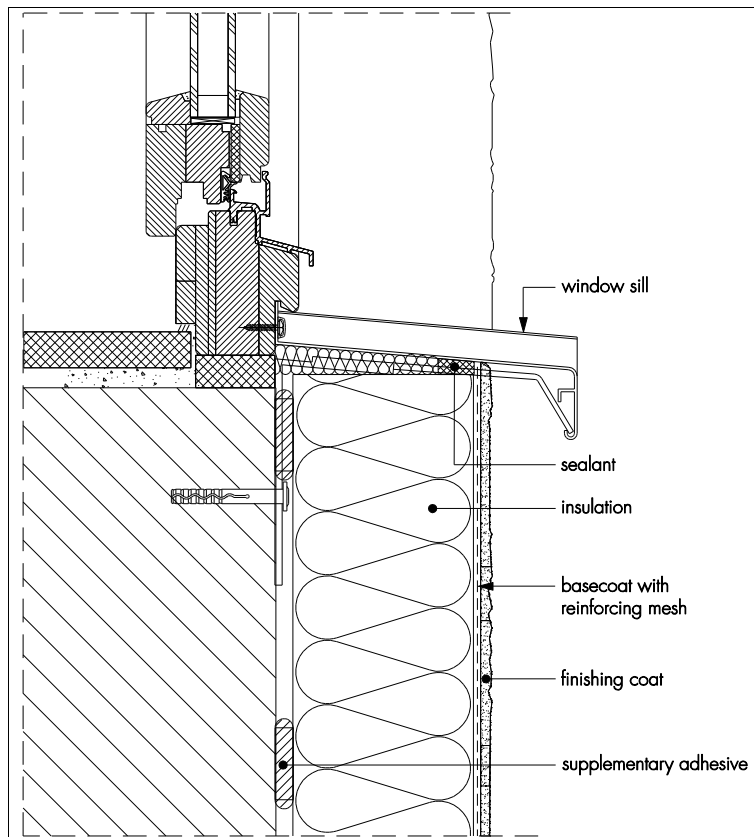




Figure 10 Window sill detail



## Technical Investigations

### 17 Tests

Tests were conducted and the results assessed to determine:

- component characterisation
- water vapour permeability
- water absorption
- bond strength
- reaction to fire
- pull-out strength of fixings
- durability of finish coatings
- heat/spray cycling
- impact resistance.

### 18 Investigations

18.1 The manufacturing process was evaluated, including the methods adopted for quality control, and details were obtained of the quality and composition of the materials used.

18.2 An assessment of the risk of interstitial condensation was undertaken.

18.3 The practicability of installation and the effectiveness of detailing techniques were assessed.

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### 19 Conditions

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