Technical Manual, NBT Timber Frame

Render System
NBT TIMBER FRAME EWI - Render

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NBT Timber Frame Render Systems
The building system is a timber frame structure insulated between studs and externally with woodfibre (Pavaflex and Diffutherm respectively) and finished with render.

Made from over 95% waste softwood and under 5% inert water-proofing additives, NBT PAVATEX DIFFUTHERM, are a genuinely sustainable non-toxic building material.

To produce NBT PAVATEX boards, waste wood fibres are pulped and mixed with water. The pulp is heated to activate the natural lignin they contain in order to glue the fibres together. The pulp is then pressed into boards, dried, and cut to size.

The advanced manufacturing process uses the inherent properties of wood fibres to produce boards with many excellent technical qualities for thermal and acoustic insulation, thermal storage capacity, vapour permeability and moisture control.
Performance Guide
A modern wall insulation system must do more than just protect building occupants from cold. It must create a comfortable and healthy environment in all possible combinations of external and internal conditions and control the effects of external heat, cold, noise and internal moisture generation.

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Keep the building warm for longer in cold weather:
Low thermal conductivity and high vapour permeability provide high thermal insulation with no risk of interstitial condensation. Vapour barriers are unnecessary. Woodfibre boards reduce the effect of thermal bridging and the interlocking board design easily achieves good windtightness, so increasing thermal performance. Energy use for heating is significantly reduced leading to lower CO2 emissions and running costs.

Keep the building quieter:
The high mass and the fibrous texture of NBT PAVATEX woodfibre boards give excellent acoustic performance to buildings.

Keep the building cooler in hot weather:
The unique combination of high density, high specific heat capacity and low thermal conductivity gives External Wall Insulation (EWI) solutions the effect of thermal mass that would normally be associated with render onto masonry. Compared to conventional EWI material the risk of condensation behind the render during cold nights is minimized as the boards will store the day’s heat.

Keep the building dry and breathable:
NBT PAVATEX woodfibre boards are very vapour permeable and hygroscopic. This allows them to disperse accumulating short term moisture and protect vulnerable elements of the building fabric, with no reduction in the performance of the boards themselves. The boards allow moisture from within the structure to pass easily to the outside. This provides a safeguard against high moisture content. This is vital for the long-term health of the building fabric, and is completely overlooked by most conventional insulation systems.
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Airtightness

Principle

A building envelope should be airtight when all ventilation openings are closed. The design requirement for air changes has to be provided by opening the windows manually, other controllable ventilation openings or suitable mechanical ventilation systems.

When assessing the air permeability of the building envelope, the following aspects must be considered separately:

- Individual building components must exhibit the necessary airtightness in accordance with building component standards
- The overall air permeability of the building envelope must meet the limiting and target values of building regulations
- Local air permeability (leaks, primarily on the inside) can lead to moisture damage because they allow moist interior air to infiltrate the construction
- Local air permeability and associated draughts can have a detrimental effect on the thermal comfort of the occupants and can also lead to increased energy consumption

Air permeability

The air permeability of the building envelope is specified by the ratio of surface area of the building to the hourly air exchange rate for a 50 Pa pressure difference. In Part L Building Regulations an air permeability of 10.0 m³/m²·h is allowed. 0.6 Air changes/hour at 50 Pa pressure for Passivhaus.

Design and construction

To ensure that the building envelope has the necessary degree of airtightness, an airtightness layer is required over all parts of the construction on the warm side of the thermal insulation. Generally, the vapour control layer and airtight layer functions are combined and provided by one membrane, sheeting or a board type material (OSB, multi-ply board, plywood, gypsum fibreboard, etc.). Such materials require fixings and permanent air tight seals at joints and junctions in the form of adhesive tape, glue, mechanical fasteners etc., or may need to be held in place with battens.

Rock wool and glass-fibre boards, wood fibreboards, wooden panelling, planking, acoustic linings, building papers, plaster board etc. cannot achieve the degree of airtightness required for modern buildings.

The airtightness layer must be conceived at the design stage as a "seamless" layer over the entire building envelope, planned with its practical installation in mind, and shown as a separate layer on all drawings. Good planning includes corresponding information in the tender documents and detail in the working and fabrication drawings. The materials used to achieve the airtightness must be sealed airtight at junctions with adjoining elements such as windows, doors and foundations. The installation of several layers each of which are only partially airtight will not result in a building with an adequate degree of sealing.

Testing

In order to achieve an airtight building envelope, measures and checks during construction and after completion of the building are necessary. If the airtightness layer has been properly designed and planned, expensive blower door measurements, leak detection by means of smoke tests or IR thermography, and unnecessary costs of repairs can be saved.

A properly designed and constructed building will fulfil airtightness requirements without the need for further special work. NBT systems provide proper design and site support to ensure that the correct levels of airtightness are achieved.
Selecting the right insulation
As part of a building’s design it is important to consider the effects of summer overheating control, particularly when there are rooms in roofs or where the construction system is lightweight such as steel or timber frame.

Summer overheating is caused by any or a combination of three reasons:
- high internal gains from appliances, people, machines etc.
- high solar gain through windows due to poor summer shading
- heat passing directly through the walls

The solution to the first is to reduce the gains or ventilate, the second requires better shading, and the third is solved by reducing peak heat gain to the room by changing the decrement delay and factor.

Decrement delay and factor can be thought of as the amount a peak external surface temperature is smoothed out by the structure, and the time that the peak is delayed before it reaches the inside.

To reduce the solar heat passing through a roof or a wall, a low decrement factor is needed, and more importantly, it should delay the passage of heat by between 6 - 12 hours after the external solar radiation peak – this means that the decrement delay of a wall or roof construction should be between 6 - 12 hours.

In terms of achieving these satisfactory values, an insulation material that has a high thermal mass is needed to produce better values. A combination of density, thermal conductivity and specific heat capacity is required.

NBT PAVATEX woodfibre boards have an excellent combination of low $\lambda_D$ (k-value) (0.038 - 0.047 W/m²K), high specific heat capacity (2100J/kgK) and for insulation boards a high density (140 - 240 kg/m³). These values far exceed any conventional insulation material. This means that with NBT PAVATEX woodfibre insulation a roof or “lightweight” structure such as lightweight frame building can perform as though it was a much more massive structure.

The consequence is the reduction of internal temperatures by 4°C or more in summer compared to a room which may have the same U-value but conventional insulation.
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- NBT TIMBER FRAME
- OSB (for racking, vapour control and airtightness)
- Timber studs
- NBT PAVAFLEX
- Plasterboard and skim
- Service void
- NBT DIFFUTHERM
- NBT 2-coat render system
- Rendered System
Physical Properties NBT RENDER

1. NBT 2-coat render system
2. NBT DIFFUTHERM 60/80/100/120 mm
3. Stud & NBT PAVAFLEX (k = 0.038 W/mK)
4. Racking board incl. airtightness detail
   (e.g. OSB 12/15 mm)
5. Service void 25 mm
   (can be insulated for improved performance)
6. Plasterboard 12.5 mm
7. Plaster, skim and NBT emulsion paint

89 mm stud
Insulated with NBT PAVAFLEX

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Note: Calculations are done according to BS EN ISO 6946:1997 and BR 443. Studs assumed to be 38 x 89 mm, 38 x 140 mm and 50 x 219 mm at 600 mm centres (allowances for sole plates etc, give a 15% bridging area for the timber). Stud depth is taken to be the same as the thickness of insulation specified. 140mm insulation layer onto studs is made of NBT DIFFUTHERM 80 mm & NBT PAVATHERM 80 mm; 160 mm insulation layer onto studs is made of NBT DIFFUTHERM 80 mm & NBT PAVATHERM 80 mm; 180 mm insulation layer onto studs is made of NBT DIFFUTHERM 80 mm & NBT PAVATHERM 100 mm; 200 mm insulation layer onto studs is made of NBT DIFFUTHERM 100 mm & NBT PAVATHERM 100 mm. Passivhaus solutions are marked in green.

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General:
Provide the contractor with full and complete details for all critical areas of the system including those listed below. Leave nothing to be agreed “on-site”.

System Guarantee:
The NBT RENDER system is guaranteed only if boards, mortars, renders and accessories approved by NBT are used. NBT DIFFUTHERM has LANTAC (Local Authority National Type Approval Confederation) and BBA (British Board of Agrément) approval (BBA CERTIFICATE No 10/4723).

The NBT RENDER system is certified for use in rain exposure zones (EZ) 1- 3 (described in BS 8104 and the BRE report “Thermal Insulation, avoiding risks”). If intended for use in EZ 4, contact NBT for advice.

DPC-Level:
Do not use NBT DIFFUTHERM boards below DPC level. Use boards suitable for wet exposure (EPS, XPS) and a different NBT base coat (HM 50) in the plinth area (i.e. within 300 mm of ground level).

Building Height:
The NBT RENDER system is for use in buildings where the height to the top floor is < 18 m. If intended for use in higher buildings, contact NBT for advice.

Non Load Bearing:
The NBT RENDER system must be designed so that no loads from the structure are carried by the boards or render.

Only lightweight fittings can be attached directly to the NBT DIFFUTHERM boards. Carefully plan the location of down-pipes, lights, security systems etc.

Movement Joints:
Movement joints in the substrate must be incorporated into the NBT EWI RENDER system. Consider render only movement joints for walls ≥ 18 m.

Weather Tightness:
For weather tightness seal the boards against the structure at all joints, intersections, openings and penetrations and along all edges using ISO-BLOCO expanding sealing tape.

For weather tightness, seal the render around all openings (door/window) using the appropriate APU rail.

Rain Penetration:
Design a positive strategy for avoiding rain penetration of the external wall insulation system. This will include:
- Generous overhangs for roofs, sills and copings (in no case < 30 mm), drip details on all overhangs
- Careful detailing of flashings at critical areas eg. balconies, decks, walkways, parapets, copings, service penetrations, roof abutments, intersecting and adjoining buildings, etc.
- Window and door frames set back from the external face of the wall by at least the thickness of the insulation boards

Airtightness:
Carefully detail the OSB layer for airtightness at all openings and at internal corners and junctions.

Fire Resistance:
NBT RENDER system has been tested by Warrington Fire (report no 154324) and achieves a fire resistance of 60 minutes according to BS EN 1365-1:1999.

Render:
Colours:
Please be aware, when choosing colours for the top coat, that it must be taken into account that the LIGHT-BRIGHT RELATION VALUE is not less than 20.0. This is due to the fact that dark colours can be directly linked to elevated thermal stress, which leads to an increased risk for cracks.

Please check page 29 and 30 of the BAUMIT Product Brochure “Render, Plasters, Mortars” for further information and a wide range of different colours.

Grain size:
Coarse-grained finishes (2 - 5 mm grain sizes) are preferred for long-term durability and appearance.

Apply equalisation paint to the finish render coat to avoid discoloration from uneven drying.

To select paints for applying to the finished surface without significant reduction of the vapour permeability of the RENDER system, refer to NBT.
General:
The NBT RENDER system must only be installed by approved contractors who have been trained by NBT.

The details and specifications in this guide and from the designer should be followed as the basis of a successful installation.

The system is guaranteed if only boards, mortars, renders and accessories approved by NBT are used.

Timber frames must not be excessively wet when the boards are applied to avoid trapping moisture within the construction.

Movement joints in the substrate must be incorporated into the NBT RENDER system.

Renders:
Do not apply the render system onto rain-soaked boards or when the air temperature is below 5°C and avoid working in strong, direct sunlight.

The reinforcing mesh should lie in the outer 1/3 of the basecoat layer and sheets should overlap by at least 100 mm.

Additional mesh reinforcement is required around all openings, along all corners and edges, across zones where suspended floors intersect walls and where boards are applied over different substrates, along continuous straight board joints and over repaired areas.

Seal the render around all openings using the appropriate APU rail (Window Frame Sealing Bead).

Allow 1 day per 1 mm thickness drying time for the basecoat before applying the topcoat.

Apply equalisation paint to the finish render coat to avoid discolouration from uneven drying. This is not required where the top coat is Silica, Silicon or Nanopor top coat render is used.

For premixed Top coat apply DG27 primer for suction and key.

Boards:
Plan board layout to reduce wastage prior to commencing installation.

A base rail must be used to start the system.

Minimum bond overlap is 200 mm between courses.

Boards must not be wet or damaged and board edges must be tightly butted together.

Tightly fill all gaps with woodfibre.

For weather tightness seal the boards against the structure at all joints, intersections, openings and penetrations and along all edges.

Do not use the NBT RENDER system below DPC level.

Use appropriate boards (XPS) and a different NBT base coat (HM 50) in the plinth area (i.e. within 300 mm above ground level).

Do not allow the boards to stand exposed to weather for more than 60 days after fixing before applying the render system.
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Installation Procedures

General:
The system comprises NBT DIFFUTHERM boards and NBT thin mesh coat renders supplied together with all accessories by NBT.

Access:
Scaffolding and access to the work must be carried out in accordance with current CDM and Health and Safety Regulations.

Adverse Weather/Storage:
Application of the system must only take place in suitable weather conditions, in accordance with NBT recommendations and good rendering practice. Work may be protected if necessary. Do not apply the NBT RENDER system in ambient temperatures below 5º C. Boards should be rendered within 2 months. Boards should be stored flat and dry. Edges should be protected to prevent damage to tongue.

Cutting:
The boards are easily cut with any of the following tools:
• NBT PAVATEX jigsaw blades (bayonet fitting to suit most makes of jigsaws)
• Standard wave edge insulation knife
• Circular saw, hand-held or bench mounted with a fine, cross-cut, tungsten tipped blade

Safety goggles and dust mask must be worn during cutting to protect the user from the small, nonhazardous, dust particles.

Fixings:
NBT DIFFUTHERM boards need to be fixed with special thermally-broken fasteners. The washer is flush with the surface of the NBT DIFFUTHERM. Use 3 No. fixings per stud/board as shown:

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NBT provides fixings for the NBT RENDER system:
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Board System:
Below the DPC and in the plinth area (up to 300 mm above finished ground level) use XPS plinth boards; above the plinth area use NBT DIFFUTHERM boards.

Fitting:
Above plinth area: Fix the base rail and corner rail above DPC to each stud packed to true line and level, using 1 fixing per stud. Rail connector clips may be fitted at rail joints. Attach clip-on drip profile to complete run of base and corner rail. Alternately use PVC (adjustable) two part base rail with integrated drip. When applicable apply ISO-BLOCO 600 between the base rail and XPS board.

Locate the 1st course of NBT RENDER boards tightly in the base rail channel with grooved side down and edge tongue and groove joints fully engaged. Fix through the boards into the studs using 3 fixings per stud/board.

If the building height is ≥ 18 m ask NBT for advice on fixings.

Boards must span at least 2 studs. Board edges need not coincide with stud positions, which should be at ≤ 600 mm centres. The faces of the boards should be flush. Stagger fixings where board edges coincide with a stud position.

Install 2nd course in ½ bond pattern with overlap ≥ 200 mm, over-lapping board ends at vertical corners, ensuring all board joints are fully engaged and tightly packed. Fix to studs as for 1st course.

Fill any gaps and areas of damaged boards with loose woodfibres and apply a “patch” of reinforcing mesh at least 200 mm larger than area of damage/repair.

Openings and Abutments:
At all openings, service penetrations and free edges, seal the board to the structure/service substrate using ISO-BLOCO sealing tape to create a weather tight joint.

Reveals:
Fix the Diffutherm reveal board with appropriate STR-H fixings to the studs. Apply ISO-BLOCO sealing tape along the edge of the board and place the board tightly up against the window or door frame.

Render System:
Apply APU rails to all door and window frames to form a weather tight joint.

Apply diagonal strips of mesh reinforcement (see diagram below) across the corners of all openings and continuous strips of mesh reinforcement above the base rail and along all free board edges into 2 mm of NBT base coat mortar.

Apply NBT base coat mortar to all corners and reveals and set fibreglass mesh beads plumbed and aligned to a render depth of 5 - 8 mm.

Hand or machine apply NBT base coat over the board surface and straighten out. Comb with a tooth trowel to an overall depth of 4 - 6 mm then place sheets of fibreglass mesh tightly onto the render (≥ 100 mm overlap).

Apply a further 2 - 3 mm coat of NBT base coat and smooth out. On hardening, scrape back the surface with the edge of a trowel.

Apply 2 - 3 mm decorative finish coat after 6 days. Apply equalizing paint after 6 days.

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Additional Meshing:
To reduce the risk of cracking, additional mesh reinforcement is required along all exposed board edges and around all openings.

Bed the mesh in NBT base coat mortar and then apply the main meshed render layer.

In the diagram below additional mesh is shown across the corners of window and door openings (1), along all reveals and corners (2) and Mesh strips 500 mm wide at floor level.

An additional band of mesh should be applied across the zone where suspended floor joists bear onto timber frame walls (3).

System Movement Beads:
Where structural movement joints or change in substrate occur a system movement bead should be incorporated into the NBT TIMBER FRAME RENDER system to prevent cracking due to differential movement. NBT recommends Wemico PVC system movement bead.

Render Movement Beads:
Render movement joints in the substrate must be incorporated into the NBT RENDER system every 18m on a continuous horizontal span.

ISO-BLOCO sealing tape:
For weather tightness seal the boards against the structure at all joints, intersections, openings and penetrations and along all edges using ISO-BLOCO sealing tape. Such areas include window and door frames, sills, eaves and soffit boards. ISO-BLOCO is also recommended around service penetration into the Diffutherm.

System Stop or Butting to other substrate:
Where boards butt up to other substrates or need a stop (Mid terrace), use system stop profile at the edge of Diffutherm. Seal the junction by ISO-BLOCO sandwiched between the substrate and the stop profile.
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Detail Solutions

1 Edges:
• Weather tightness with use of ISO-BLOCO sealing tape

2 Plinth:
• Plinth area 300 mm
• Use plinth & perimeter insulation board (XPS) in plinth area
• Use base rail at bottom of NBT DIFFUTHERM

3 Window and door:
• Weather tightness with use of ISO-BLOCO sealing tape and APU-rails (window frame sealing bead)
• Use window sills with upstands. For wind driven rain exposurer zone 3&4 use expansion resistance sill ends. Contact NBT for details.
• NBT DIFFUTHERM board pattern to window and door opening (see below)

NOTE:
PLEASE FIND STANDARD DETAIL DRAWINGS AT THE END OF THIS MANUAL. Contact NBT for full detail manual or for specific detail help.

Set out NBT DIFFUTHERM boards so that board edges DO NOT coincide with the corners of wall openings.

Always ensure that the vertical joints are staggered by at least 200 mm between courses and that each board is supported on at least two studs.

NBT DIFFUTHERM board joints DO NOT have to terminate on a stud due to the tongue groove board edge.
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Components & Accessories

NBT base coat (MC 55 W onto NBT DIFFUTHERM)
Factory prepared white lime-cement dry powder mortar in accordance to BS EN 998-1. Base coat onto NBT DIFFUTHERM. Not recommended for plinth area. Grain size 0 - 1.2 mm, yield 1.0 kg/m² per mm thickness. Comes in 25 kg bag.

BYMC55W BAUMIT MC 55 W

NBT base coat (HM 50 onto plinth & perimeter board)
Factory prepared lime-cement dry powder mortar in accordance to DIN 18557 and BS EN 998-1. To use in plinth area onto XPS plinth insulation board. Grain size 0 - 1.2 mm, yield 1.2 kg/m² per mm. Comes in 25 kg bag.

BYHM50 BAUMIT HM 50

NBT decorative finish (top coat onto NBT base coat)

SEP01: Grain size 0 - 1 mm, yield 2.2 kg/m²/2mm
SEP02: Grain size 0 - 2 mm, yield 3.3 kg/m²/2mm
SEP03: Grain size 0 - 3 mm, yield 4.0 kg/m²/3mm

BYSEP01 BAUMIT SEP01
BYSEP02 BAUMIT SEP02
BYSEP03 BAUMIT SEP03

ArtLine Egalisation / BasicEGA (equalization paint)
Silicon-based paint to equalize NBT SEP topcoat. Additional driven rain protection but very vapour open. Yield 0.2 l/m² (only one coat required). Comes in 5 l or 15 l tub.

BYSFCOLO Colour silicon paint 15 l or 5 l
BYSFWHITE White silicon paint 15 l or 5 l

Please check www.natural-building.co.uk or contact NBT for other top coat finishes
EJOT STR-H and EJOT TKR + SBH WASHER
For fixing NBT DIFFUTHERM wood fibre insulation boards onto timber. Embedment of 40 mm into timber. The polystyrenes plug is inserted in the washer head cavity to ensure least thermal bridging. Heat loss through conduction is therefore substantially reduced. Please find required length of fixings on page 25.

Base rail & clip on profile
The base rail is generally fixed at DPC level to act as a base for the first layer of NBT DIFFUTHERM. The clip-on profile is then clipped to the front edge of the rail to provide a clean edge for the render to finish to. Length 2500 mm.

BYY9146  Base rail aluminium 60 mm*
BYY9148  Base rail aluminium 80 mm*
BYY9150  Base rail aluminium 100 mm*
BYY9121  Base rail clip aluminium 6 mm*
BYY9124  Base rail clip aluminium 10 mm*

* Stainless steel also available

PVC Clip on profile
The PVC clip-on profile with integrated mesh provide better connection with the main mesh.

Length 2500 mm.
Drip - 6mm & 10mm
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System Stop Profile
Similar in appearance to the base rail the stop end profile is used where the NBT DIFFUTHERM system finishes up against another wall of a different type, e.g. against timber or rainscreen cladding or a masonry wall. They are fixed vertically against the other wall with ISO-BLOCO sealing tape between the profile and wall to ensure the joint is sealed against the weather. The lip on the edge of the profile is used to provide a solid edge for the render to finish up to. Length 2500 mm.

- BYY9246 Stop profile aluminium 60 mm
- BYY9248 Stop profile aluminium 80 mm
- BYY9250 Stop profile aluminium 100 mm

Movement beads
Applied where a movement joint occurs in the structure. The boards must be spaced apart over the joints and the bead set in NBT base coat mortar across the joint. Provides a neat joint to take up movement of the render. Length 3000 mm.

- BYYYWE79/79 Stainless steel for render 6 mm
- BYYYWE80/80 Stainless steel for render 10 mm

Corner mesh angle
PVC or stainless steel meshed angles are used on the corners of windows, doors and building corners to provide a straight reinforced edge for the render to finish to. Fixed prior to rendering with NBT base coat to the NBT DIFFUTHERM boards and levelled up. Length 2500 mm.

- BYY3707 Corner mesh bead PVC
- BYY2031 Corner mesh bead stainless steel

NBT PAVATEX jigsaw blade
Bayonet fitting jigsaw blade from PAVATEX for cutting woodfibre insulation boards. Length approx. 130 mm.

- PAVZK NBT PAVATEX cutting blades
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APU Rail
Fixed to door or window frames tight against the edge of the NBT DIFFUTHERM. The render is finished flush with the outside of the APU rail and the sacrificial strip removed. Provides a secondary waterproof seal with no additional mastic required. Self-adhesive band can be removed to enable a protective sheet to be applied to cover door and windows - this is then discarded by breaking away the removable protection strip. Length 2600 mm. Packed in bundles of 50.

BYY3726  APU sealing bead PVC

ISO-Bloco sealing tape
An expanding foam sealant applied around the frames of windows and doors, under window sills and soffits. Also around projections through the wall such as pipes or balcony steels. Provides a waterproof seal at these junctions. Length 4300 mm or 12000 mm.

FXISO-600 2-6  ISO-BLOCO sealing tape for joints up to 6mm
FXISO-600 6-15  ISO-BLOCO sealing tape for joints up to 15mm

Reinforcing mesh
Small, 300 mm x 300 mm patches are first applied diagonally to the corners of windows and doors. When the specified render thickness has been applied the reinforcing mesh is applied into the surface of the wet render. The mesh should overlap 100 mm where it meets. Prevents cracking and increases flexibility. Roll: 50 m length, 1 m width

BYYR131  Glassfibre mesh

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THERMAL PERFORMANCE OF JUNCTION
- Ensure continuity of the insulation throughout the junction.
- Ensure that the full depth of insulation between and over the stud abuts the wall plate.
- Ensure that the insulation is installed tightly between the studs and is in contact with the external/internal insulation without air cavity.

AIRTIGHTNESS LAYER CONTINUITY
- Ensure internal airtightness continuity between the wall and roof OSB or membrane. Use NBT recommended tapes at the junction.
- Ensure all the joints/overlaps, corners, edges and penetrations are sealed with NBT airtightness tapes & sealant. Use recommended primer on the woodfibre board and masonry prior to tape.

WEATHER TIGHTNESS CONTINUITY
- Ensure weather tightness continuity between the NBT Diffutherm and roof insulation. If required use NBT Expansion sealing tape.
- Ensure Diffutherm is rendered or sealed with appropriate stop-profile at all exposed junctions.
- Ensure all penetrations through Diffutherm/plinth board are sealed with iso-bloco expanding foam tape (prior to application of base coat) and secondary mastic seal (following application of base coat and prior to finish coat).

NOTES
- Render the Diffutherm Board up to the rafter and level and add soffit later.
- Support the Pavflex between rafters at point 'A' from sliding with pieces of membrane taped between rafters or use cross battens. Alternatively Diffutherm can be pushed up the underside of NBT over rafter insulation to form a continuous insulation envelop and support the Pavaflex between rafters.

KEY TO COMPONENTS
1. NBT MC55 6mm base coat render (meshed)
2. NBT Top coat (options available)
3. NBT Diffutherm T&G boards
4. NBT Pavaflex batts between studs
5. NBT recommended fixings (STR-H)
6. OSB (fully sealed for airtightness)
7. Battens for service void (optional)
8. Plaster board + Skim
9. NBT Airtightness tape (Pavatex Pavafix)
THERMAL PERFORMANCE OF JUNCTION
- Ensure continuity of the insulation throughout the junction
- Ensure that the full depth of insulation between and over the stud abuts the sole plate.
- Ensure that the insulation is installed tightly between the studs and is in contact with the external/ internal insulation without air cavity.

AIRTIGHTNESS LAYER CONTINUITY
- Ensure internal airtightness continuity between the wall and the floor. Use NBT recommended tapes at the junction.
- Ensure all the joints/overlaps, corners, edges and penetrations are sealed with NBT airtightness tapes & sealant. Use recommended primer on the woodfibre board and masonry prior to tape.

WEATHER TIGHTNESS CONTINUITY
- Ensure weather tightness continuity between the NBT Diffutherm and NBT Plinth boards. Use NBT base rail and NBT expansion sealing tape at the interface as shown.
- Ensure Diffutherm is rendered or sealed with appropriate stop-profile at all exposed junctions.
- Ensure all penetrations through Diffutherm/plinth board are sealed with iso-bloco expanding foam tape (prior to application of base coat) and secondary mastic seal (following application of base coat and prior to finish coat).
- Undertake drainage measure at wall base to ensure water falls away from wall (French drain with soak away).

NOTES
- Ensure NBT Diffutherm board starts above the DPM level and ideally min. 300mm above the ground level. Alternatively please see detail TF-R-02 if plinth height is less than 300.
- No Diffutherm below 150mm above ground level.
- Allow for soak away drain at the plinth to avoid standing water such as French Drain or similar.
- Apply DG27 primer on to MC55 if any premixed top coat render is specified.

KEY TO COMPONENTS
1. NBT MC55 6mm base coat render (meshed)
2. NBT Top coat (options available)
3. NBT Diffutherm T&G boards
4. NBT Pavaflex between studs
5. NBT recommended fixings (STR-H)
6. OSB (fully sealed for airtightness)
7. Battens for service void (optional)
8. Plaster board + Skim
9. NBT Airtightness tape (Pavatex Pavafix)
10. NBT expansion sealing tape. (ISO-BLOCO 600)
11. NBT base rail & base rail drip clip or Adjustable two part base rail.
12. NBT HM50 6mm base coat (meshed)
13. NBT HM50 2mm top coat, Finish - NBT Silicon or NBT Nanopor paint)
14. NBT Plinth & Perimeter board
15. Damp proof membrane
**THERMAL PERFORMANCE OF JUNCTION**
- Ensure continuity of the insulation throughout the junction.
- Ensure that the full depth of insulation between and over the stud abuts the sole plate.
- Ensure that the insulation is installed tightly between the studs and is in contact with the external/ internal insulation without air cavity.

**AIRTIGHTNESS LAYER CONTINUITY**
- Ensure internal airtightness continuity between the wall and the floor. Use NBT recommended tapes at the junction.
- Ensure all the joints/overlaps, corners, edges and penetrations are sealed with NBT airtightness tapes & sealant. Use recommended primer on the woodfibre board and masonry prior to tape.

**WEATHER TIGHTNESS CONTINUITY**
- Ensure weather tightness continuity between the NBT Diffutherm and NBT Plinth boards. Use NBT base rail and NBT expansion sealing tape at the interface as shown.
- Ensure Diffutherm is rendered or sealed with appropriate stop-profile at all exposed junctions
- Ensure all penetrations through Diffutherm/plinth board are sealed with iso-bloco expanding foam tape (prior to application of base coat) and secondary mastic seal (following application of base coat and prior to finish coat)
- Undertake drainage measure at wall base to ensure water falls away from wall (French drain with soak away)

**NOTES**
- Ensure NBT Diffutherm board starts above the DPM level and 150mm above the ground level.
- No Diffutherm below 150mm above ground level.
- Protect the first 300mm above ground level of the build-up using NBT Plinth base coat.
- Apply DG27 primer on to MC55 if any premixed top coat render is specified.

**KEY TO COMPONENTS**
1. NBT MC55 6mm base coat render (meshed)
2. NBT Top coat (options available)
3. NBT Diffutherm T8G boards
4. NBT Pavaflex between studs
5. NBT recommended fixings
6. OSB (fully sealed for airtightness)
7. Battens for service void (optional)
8. Plaster board + Skim
9. NBT Airtightness tape (Pavatex Pavafix)
10. NBT expansion sealing tape. (ISO-BLOCO 600)
11. NBT base rail & base rail drip clip
12. NBT HM50 6mm base coat (meshed)
13. NBT HM50 2mm top coat, finish - NBT Silicon or NBT Nanopor paint)
14. NBT Plinth & Perimeter board
15. Damp proof membrane
16. Combined drainage and protection layer
THERMAL PERFORMANCE OF JUNCTION
- Ensure continuity of the insulation throughout the junction.
- Ensure that the full depth of insulation between and over the stud abuts the head/sill timber.
- Ensure that the insulation is installed tightly between the studs and is in contact with the external/internal insulation without air cavity.

AIRTIGHTNESS LAYER CONTINUITY
- Ensure internal airtightness continuity between the OSB and the frame. Use NBT recommended tapes at the junction.
- Ensure all the joints/overlaps, corners, edges and penetrations are sealed with NBT airtightness tapes & sealant. Use recommended primer on the woodfibre board and masonry prior to tape.

WEATHER TIGHTNESS CONTINUITY
- Ensure weather tightness continuity between the NBT Diffutherm and the frame. Use NBT APU mesh bead and NBT expansion sealing tape at the interface as shown.
- Ensure Diffutherm is rendered or sealed with appropriate stop-profile at all exposed junctions.
- Ensure all penetrations through Diffutherm/plinth board are sealed with iso-bloco expanding foam tape (prior to application of base coat) and secondary mastic seal (following application of base coat and prior to finish coat).

NOTES
- Ensure NBT Diffutherm board overlaps the frame by 20mm as shown.
- Allow for NBT Balcony Drip Bead at no. 11 for exposed locations.
- Incorporate expansion resistance sill, please contact NBT for details.

KEY TO COMPONENTS
1. NBT MC55 6mm base coat render (meshed)
2. NBT Top coat (options available)
3. NBT Diffutherm T&G boards
4. NBT Pavaflex batts between studs
5. NBT recommended fixings (STR-H)
6. OSB (fully sealed for airtightness)
7. Battens for service void (optional)
8. Plaster board + Skim
9. NBT Airtightness tape (Pavatex Pavafix)
10. NBT expansion sealing tape. (ISO-BLOCO 600)
11. NBT Corner mesh bead (use NBT Balcony Drip bead for exposed location)
12. NBT AUP mesh bead
13. NBT expansion resistance sill, please contact NBT for details
THERMAL PERFORMANCE OF JUNCTION
- Ensure continuity of the insulation throughout the junction.
- Ensure that the insulation is installed tightly between the studs and is in contact with the external/internal insulation without air cavity.

AIRTIGHTNESS LAYER CONTINUITY
- Ensure all the joints/overlaps, corners, edges and penetrations of the airtight layer are sealed with NBT airtightness tapes & sealant. Use recommended primer on the woodfibre board and masonry prior to tape.

WEATHER TIGHTNESS CONTINUITY
- Ensure weather tightness continuity between the NBT Diffutherm and the lead flashing. Must use NBT Expansion sealing tape between the base rail and lead flashing.
- Ensure Diffutherm is rendered or sealed with appropriate stop-profile at all exposed junctions
- Ensure all penetrations through Diffutherm/plinth board are sealed with iso-bloco expanding foam tape (prior to application of base coat) and secondary mastic seal (following application of base coat and prior to finish coat)

NOTES
- Montage block is recommended if extra compressive strength is needed (>80 kPa) for heavy porch. Or otherwise porch frame can be fixed straight into the stud with longer fixings through the Diffutherm board.

KEY TO COMPONENTS
1. NBT MC55 6mm base coat render (meshed)
2. NBT Top coat (options available)
3. NBT Diffutherm T&G boards
4. NBT Pavaflex batts between studs
5. NBT recommended fixings (STR-H)
6. OSB (fully sealed for airtightness)
7. Battens for service void (optional)
8. Plaster board + Skim
9. NBT Plinth Perimeter Board
10. NBT expansion sealing tape. (ISO-BLOCO 600)
11. NBT base rail & base rail drip clip
12. Lead flashing
13. NBT Montage blocks or similar. Use circular saw to cut hole and fix the block.
14. NBT Render Stop Bead or alternatively render under the flashing (prior to application of flashing)
NBT Product Overview: Insulation

**ISOLAIR sarking board**
- PAVATEX wood fibre board for breathable roof & wall constructions
  - Size: 770 x 2500 mm
  - Cover area: 750 x 2480 mm
  - Thicknesses: 22*, 35 & 60 mm
  - k-value / l_d: 0.044 W/(mK)
  - Density: 200 kg/m^3
  - Compr. strenght: 250 kPa (at 10 % compression)

**PAVATEX DIFFUTHERM external wall insulation**
- Wood fibre board for rendered external walls
  - Size: 790 x 1300 mm
  - Cover: 780 x 1290 mm
  - Thicknesses: 60, 80, 100 & 120 mm
  - k-value / l_d: 0.043 W/(mK)
  - Density: 190 kg/m^3
  - Compr. strenght: 80 kPa (at 10 % compression)

**PAVATHERM PLUS sarking board**
- Composite wood board for roof & wall insulation
  - Size: 800 x 1600 mm
  - Cover area: 780 x 1580 mm
  - Thicknesses: 60, 80, 100 mm
  - k-value / l_d: 0.043 W/(mK)
  - Density: 180 kg/m^3
  - Compr. strenght: 100 kPa (at 10 % compression)

**PAVADENTRO internal wall insulation**
- Innovative wood fibre insulation board for refurbishment
  - Size: 600 x 1020 mm
  - Cover area: 590 x 1010 mm
  - Thicknesses: 40, 60, 80 & 100 mm
  - k-value / l_d: 0.043 W/(mK)
  - Density: 175 kg/m^3
  - Compr. strenght: 70 kPa (at 10 % compression)

**PAVADRY internal wall insulation**
- Innovative wood fibre insulation board for refurbishment
  - Size: 600 x 1020 mm
  - Cover area: 590 x 1010 mm
  - Thicknesses: 52, 72 & 92 mm
  - k-value / l_d: 0.043 / 0.14 W/(mK)
  - Density: 175 / 740 kg/m^3
  - Compr. strenght: 70 kPa (at 10 % compression)

**PAVATHERM general purpose insulation board**
- Universal wood fibre board for use in external & internal walls, floors & roofs
  - Sizes/Cover: 600 x 1020 mm
  - Thicknesses: 20 - 140 mm
  - k-value / l_d: 0.038 W/(mK)
  - Density: 110 kg/m^3
  - Compr. strenght: 50 kPa (at 10 % compression)

**PAVATHERM PROFIL wall & floor board**
- Wood fibre board for insulating floors or internal walls with plaster
  - Size: 600 x 1020 cm
  - Cover: 590 x 1010 mm
  - Thicknesses: 40 & 60 mm
  - k-value / l_d: 0.043 W/(mK)
  - Density: 175 kg/m^3
  - Compr. strenght: 70 kPa (at 10 % compression)

**NBT PAVATHERM FORTE**
- Square edged woodfibre boards for flat roof insulation
  - Size/Cover: 600 x 1020 mm
  - Thicknesses: 80, 100, 120, 140 mm
  - k-value / l_d: 0.043 W/(mK)
  - Density: 175 kg/m^3
  - Compr. strenght: 70 kPa (at 10 % compression)

**NBT PAVAFLEX**
- Flexible woodfibre insulation batts for loft, walls, floors & ceilings
  - Size I: 375 x 1350 mm
  - Size II: 575 x 1350 mm
  - Thicknesses: 50, 80, 100 & 140 mm
  - k-value / l_d: 0.038 W/(mK)
  - Density: 55 kg/m^3
  - Compr. strenght: -

**NBT PAVABOARD load bearing insulation**
- Wood fibre board for highly insulated floors that have to carry loads
  - Size/Cover: 600 x 1020 mm
  - Thicknesses: 40 & 60 mm
  - k-value / l_d: 0.046 W/(mK)
  - Density: 220 kg/m^3
  - Compr. strenght: 150 kPa (at 10 % compression)

**NBT Warmcel 100 cellulose fibres**
- Loose fill derived from waste UK newsprint treated with fire retardant and biocidal additives
  - Packaging: Bags of 8 kg (compressed)
  - Cover area: e.g. 1 m^2 at 228 mm
  - k-value / l_d: 0.035 W/(mK)
  - Density: 35 kg/m^3
**Natural Building Materials and Systems**

**high performance systems** NBT PAVATEX woodfibre systems provide exceptional thermal & acoustic insulation, summer overheating protection and moisture control for the whole building in wall, roof and floor.

**low carbon, renewable products** NBT PAVATEX boards are made of waste wood and lock up the equivalent of ca. 11 tonnes of CO₂ per building. Raw material resources are entirely renewable, unlimited and FSC certified.

**healthy housing** NBT PAVATEX insulation boards are certified by natureplus as non-polluting and the NBT systems lead to breathable constructions; NBT PAVATEX insulation is specified exclusively by the Sentinel Haus Institute for healthy housing.

**tried & tested systems** NBT PAVATEX woodfibre insulation are widely used across Europe in all climates and conditions; physical values are 3rd party tested and guaranteed and production is according to BS EN.

**local service & support** Pavatex’s partner in the UK is Natural Building Technologies (NBT) who are a Technical Sales Company with nationwide coverage based in Oakley, Bucks. NBT lead the UK sustainable materials & systems for high performance building shells.

**swiss quality & know-how for the UK** produced and developed in Switzerland for more than 70 years by the world’s most innovative woodfibre insulation manufacturer.