



FIRTH CONTROL JOINT [Alternative Slip Joint]

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Firth control joint specification -

Construction:

Control joints controlling wall movement shall be achieved by providing a bond break between blocks and mortar at the specified locations.

Installation:

At each control joint a thin layer of suitable polythene tape or similar shall be placed on top and at ends of each unit covering at least 75% of its width.

The polythene layer must cover any cavities within the units.

Mortar shall then be placed on the horizontal bed and the end of the unit to be laid.

Location:

Control joints shall be located at edges of windows closest to 4.0m intervals on each wall.

Windows exceeding 3.0m in width shall have a control joint at each end.

High windows of less than 800mm deep can be excluded.

Spacing on plain walls shall not exceed 5.0m.

Application:

This alternative control joint is suitable for all Firth veneers except H10.01 or plaster applications. H10.01 to comply with Firth 'Veneer Construction Detail' document.

