

## Back to Earth SW Ltd

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### Project Information

Reference

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### Construction Type

Element : Wall - Wall-masonry-cavity-internal-plasterboard

Internal surface emissivity : High External surface emissivity : High

	Thickness (mm)	Thermal Conductivity (W/mK)	Thermal Resistance (m <sup>2</sup> K/W)	Pitch (°)	Bridge details Air gaps (Level, Delta U")
Outside surface resistance	-	-	0.130		
Brick outer leaf	105.0	0.770	0.000		
Airspace, heat flow horizontal, 50 mm thick	50.0	-	0.000		
Brick inner leaf	105.0	0.560	0.188		
Clay Plaster	10.0	0.800	0.013		
UdiTHERM	60.0	0.038	1.550		L:0 0.000W/m <sup>2</sup> K
Ampatex Variano	-	-	-		
SteicoFlex	50.0	0.036	1.350		11.800% Softwood (50.0mm) L:0 0.000W/m <sup>2</sup> K
Gyproc Wallboard	12.5	0.190	0.066		
Inside surface resistance	-	-	0.130		

**Total thickness 392.5mm**

**U-value = 0.32W/m<sup>2</sup>K**

U-value, Combined Method : 0.324W/m<sup>2</sup>K (upper/lower limit 3.274 / 3.118m<sup>2</sup>K/W, dUf 0.0109, dUg 0.0000, dUp0.0000, dUr0.0000, dUrc1 0.0000, dUrc2 0.0000)

### Correction factors

Mechanical fasteners :-

Insulation Fixings

Alpha : 0.80 per m lambda f : 50.0000W/mK nf : 4.000 per m<sup>2</sup> Af : 20.000mm<sup>2</sup> Recess : 0.0mm

Delta Uf for UdiTHERM : 0.0109

nf = fasteners per m<sup>2</sup> Af = fasteners cross-sectional area

Air gaps, Delta Ug = 0.000W/m<sup>2</sup>K

(Based on the combined method for determining U-values of structures containing repeating thermal bridges)

	Thickness (mm)	Thermal Conductivity (W/mK)	Thermal Resistance (m <sup>2</sup> K/W)	Vapour Resistivity (MNs/gm)	Vapour Resistance (MNs/g)
Outside surface resistance	-	-	0.130	-	-
Brick outer leaf	105.0	0.770	0.000	50.00	5.25
Airspace, heat flow horizontal, 50 mm thick	50.0	-	0.000	-	0.00
Brick inner leaf	105.0	0.560	0.188	50.00	5.25
Clay Plaster	10.0	0.800	0.013	25.00	0.25
UdiTHERM	60.0	0.038	1.550	25.00	1.50
Ampatex Variano	-	-	-	-	21.00
SteicoFlex	50.0	0.036	1.350	5.00	0.25
Gyproc Wallboard	12.5	0.190	0.066	50.00	0.63
Inside surface resistance	-	-	0.130	-	-
<b>Total thickness</b>	<b>392.5mm</b>				

## Detailed U-value Calculation Results

Construction includes 1 bridged layer

### Non-bridged layers

Outside surface resistance	0.130 m <sup>2</sup> K/W
Brick inner leaf	0.188 m <sup>2</sup> K/W
Clay Plaster	0.013 m <sup>2</sup> K/W
UdiTHERM	1.550 m <sup>2</sup> K/W
Gyproc Wallboard	0.066 m <sup>2</sup> K/W
Inside surface resistance	0.130 m <sup>2</sup> K/W
<u>Resistance of non-bridged layers, R<sub>NB</sub> =</u>	<u>2.076 m<sup>2</sup>K/W</u>

### Bridged layer

SteicoFlex (L1) bridged by Softwood (B1)

Path 1 - SteicoFlex

Path 2 - Softwood

### Resistance and fraction of heat flow paths

$$R_{P1} = R_{NB} + R_{L1} = 2.076 + 1.350 = 3.426 \text{ m}^2\text{K/W} \quad F_{P1} = 88.200\%$$

$$R_{P2} = R_{NB} + R_{L2} = 2.076 + 0.385 = 2.461 \text{ m}^2\text{K/W} \quad F_{P2} = 11.800\%$$

### Upper resistance limit

$$R_{\text{upper}} = 1 / \left( \frac{F_{P1}}{R_{P1}} + \frac{F_{P2}}{R_{P2}} \right)$$

$$R_{\text{upper}} = 1 / \left( \frac{0.882}{3.426} + \frac{0.118}{2.461} \right) = 3.274 \text{ m}^2\text{K/W}$$

### Lower resistance limit

$$R_{\text{lower}} = R_{NB} + 1 / \left( \frac{F_{L1}}{R_{L1}} + \frac{F_{B1}}{R_{B1}} \right)$$

$$R_{\text{lower}} = 2.076 + 1 / \left( \frac{0.882}{1.350} + \frac{0.118}{0.385} \right) = 3.118 \text{ m}^2\text{K/W}$$

### Total resistance of wall

$$R_T = (R_{\text{upper}} + R_{\text{lower}}) / 2 = (3.274 + 3.118) / 2 = 3.20 \text{ m}^2\text{K/W}$$

### Mechanical fasteners :-

Calculations to BS EN ISO 6946:2007

Insulation Fixings

Alpha : 0.80 per m    lambda f : 50.0000W/mK    nf : 4.000 per m<sup>2</sup>    Af : 20.000mm<sup>2</sup>    Recess : 0.0mm

Delta Uf for UdiTHERM : 0.0109

Correction for air gaps, Delta Ug = 0.0000W/m<sup>2</sup>K

$$U = (1 / R_T) + (\Delta U_f + \Delta U_g + \Delta U_p + \Delta U_{rc2} + \Delta U_{rc2}) = (1/3.1960) + 0.0109 + 0.0000 + 0.0000 + 0.0000 + 0.0000 = 0.32 \text{ W/m}^2\text{K}$$

Structure element : Wall  
Condensation calculations performed in accordance with BS5250:2021

**Condensation is occurring at the following layers interfaces:-**

Month	Int (C°)	Int (%RH)	Ext (C°)	Ext (%RH)
Jan	21.00	45.10	3.10	85.00
Feb	21.00	44.60	3.10	83.50
Mar	21.00	45.40	5.20	79.50
Apr	21.00	46.70	7.60	75.50
May	21.00	51.40	10.60	76.00
Jun	21.00	57.20	14.00	74.50
Jul	21.00	61.90	15.80	75.00
Aug	21.00	62.60	15.40	77.50
Sep	21.00	58.60	13.20	79.50
Oct	21.00	53.90	10.00	83.00
Nov	21.00	48.00	6.00	84.00
Dec	21.00	46.40	4.20	85.50

Gc = Monthly moisture accumulation per area at an interface

Ma = Accumulated moisture content per area at an interface

Peak accumulated moisture content per area at interface (Ma) = 0.00000 Kg/m<sup>2</sup>

Annual moisture accumulation = 0.00000 Kg/m<sup>2</sup>

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**Thermal Mass Details**

	Thickness assessed (actual) (mm)	Density (kg/m <sup>3</sup> )	Specific heat capacity (J/kgK)	Heat capacity (kJ/m <sup>2</sup> K)
Brick outer leaf	0.0 (105.0)	1700.0	840.0	0.0
Airspace, heat flow horizontal, 50 mm thick	0.0 (50.0)	1.2	1008.0	0.0
Brick inner leaf	0.0 (105.0)	1700.0	840.0	0.0
Clay Plaster	0.0 (10.0)	1700.0	1000.0	0.0
UdiTHERM	0.0 (60.0)	160.0	2100.0	0.0
Ampatex Variano	0.0 (-)	280.0	850.0	0.0
SteicoFlex	0.0 (50.0)	60.0	2100.0	0.0
Gyproc Wallboard	12.5 (12.5)	0.0	0.0	0.0
Total				0.0
kappa value				0.0000
Limiting condition:	insulation			

Admittance : 0.55 W/m<sup>2</sup>K    Decrement : 0.12 factor    Decrement delay : -12.80 hours

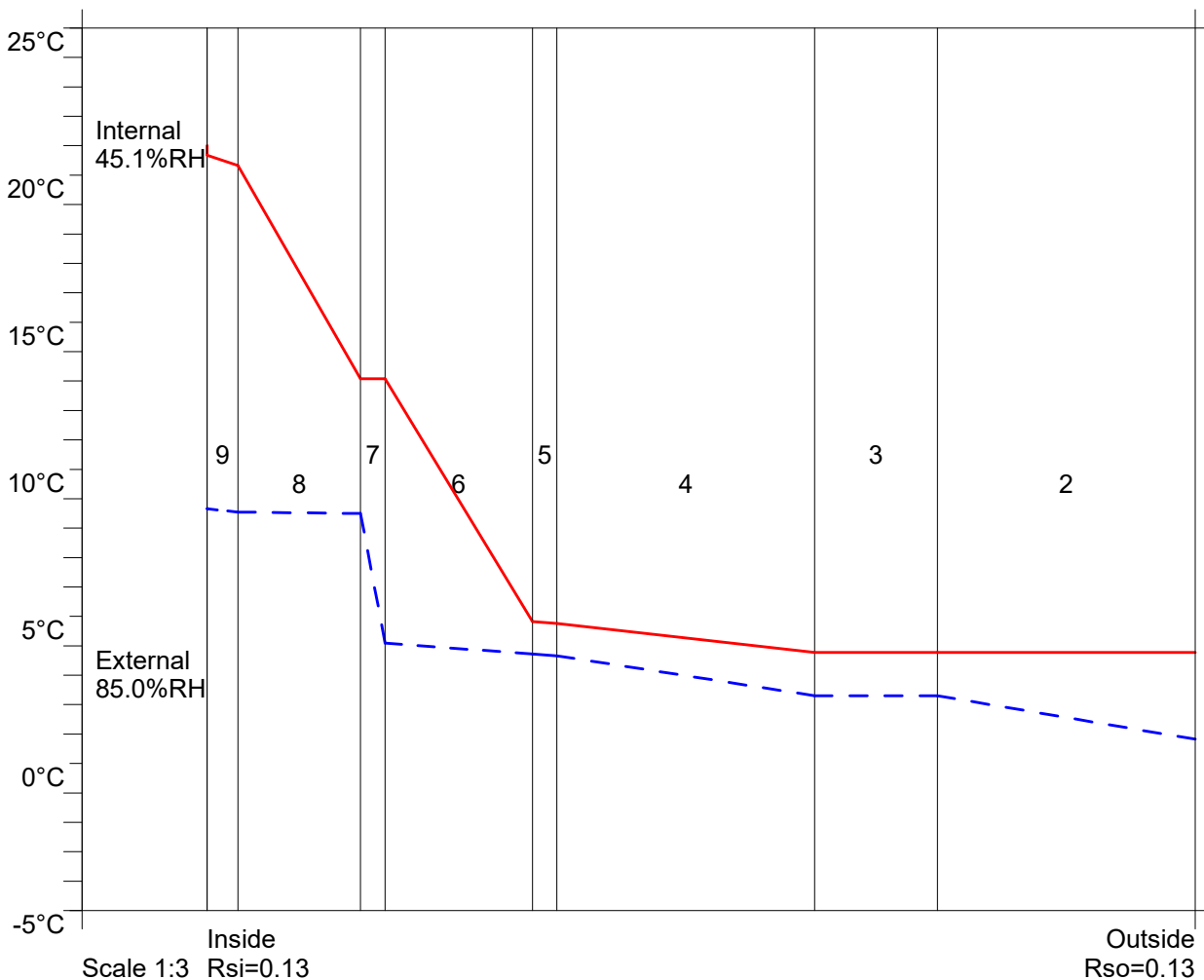
## Condensation Risk Analysis (no account taken of thermal bridges)

### 2 - Offices, shops and dwellings with low occupancy

Jan (worst)	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
21.0C 45.1%	21.0C 44.6%	21.0C 45.4%	21.0C 46.7%	21.0C 51.4%	21.0C 57.2%	21.0C 61.9%	21.0C 62.6%	21.0C 58.6%	21.0C 53.9%	21.0C 48.0%	21.0C 46.4%
3.1C 85.0%	3.1C 83.5%	5.2C 79.5%	7.6C 75.5%	10.6C 76.0%	14.0C 74.5%	15.8C 75.0%	15.4C 77.5%	13.2C 79.5%	10.0C 83.0%	6.0C 84.0%	4.2C 85.5%

	Interface Temp. °C	Dewpoint Temp. °C	Vapour Pressure (kPa)	Saturated V.P. (kPa)	Worst Cond. (g/m <sup>2</sup> )	Peak Buildup (g/m <sup>2</sup> )	Condensation
1 Outside surface resistance							
2 Brick outer leaf	3.8	0.8	0.65	0.80			No
3 Airspace, heat flow horizontal, 50 mm thick	3.8	2.3	0.72	0.80			No
4 Brick inner leaf	3.8	2.3	0.72	0.80			No
5 Clay Plaster	4.8	3.7	0.79	0.86			No
6 UdiTHERM	4.8	3.7	0.80	0.86			No
7 Ampatex Variano	13.1	4.1	0.82	1.50			No
8 SteicoFlex	13.1	8.5	1.11	1.50			No
9 Gyproc Wallboard	20.3	8.5	1.11	2.39			No
10 Inside surface resistance	20.7	8.7	1.12	2.44			No

Worst case internal / external conditions for graph : 21.0°C @ 45.1%RH / 3.1°C @ 85.0%RH



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21.0C 45.1%	21.0C 44.6%	21.0C 45.4%	21.0C 46.7%	21.0C 51.4%	21.0C 57.2%	21.0C 61.9%	21.0C 62.6%	21.0C 58.6%	21.0C 53.9%	21.0C 48.0%	21.0C 46.4%
3.1C 85.0%	3.1C 83.5%	5.2C 79.5%	7.6C 75.5%	10.6C 76.0%	14.0C 74.5%	15.8C 75.0%	15.4C 77.5%	13.2C 79.5%	10.0C 83.0%	6.0C 84.0%	4.2C 85.5%

	Interface Temp. °C	Dewpoint Temp. °C	Vapour Pressure (kPa)	Saturated V.P. (kPa)	Worst Cond. (g/m <sup>2</sup> )	Peak Buildup (g/m <sup>2</sup> )	Condensation
1 Outside surface resistance							
2 Brick outer leaf	16.0	11.4	1.35	1.82			No
3 Airspace, heat flow horizontal, 50 mm thick	16.0	11.7	1.38	1.82			No
4 Brick inner leaf	16.0	11.7	1.38	1.82			No
5 Clay Plaster	16.3	12.0	1.41	1.85			No
6 UdiTHERM	16.3	12.1	1.41	1.85			No
7 Ampatex Variano	18.7	12.2	1.41	2.16			No
8 SteicoFlex	18.7	13.4	1.53	2.16			No
9 Gyproc Wallboard	20.8	13.4	1.54	2.46			No
10 Inside surface resistance	20.9	13.4	1.54	2.47			No

Worst case internal / external conditions for graph : 21.0°C @ 61.9%RH / 15.8°C @ 75.0%RH

