

## Back to Earth SW Ltd

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### Project Information

Reference

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### Construction Type

Element : Wall - Walls-timber frame-175-render

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	-	-	0.040		
Render, lime-sand	8.0	0.800	0.010		
Beltermo Ultra	100.0	0.042	2.350		L:0 0.000W/m <sup>2</sup> K
SteicoFlex	175.0	0.036	4.850		12.500% Prefabricated panels (175.0mm) L:0 0.000W/m <sup>2</sup> K
Oriented strandboard (OSB)	11.0	0.130	0.085		
Ampatex Sinco	-	-	-		
Airspace, heat flow horizontal, 25 mm thick	25.0	-	0.180		11.800% Softwood (25.0mm)
Gyproc Wallboard	12.5	0.190	0.066		
Inside surface resistance	-	-	0.130		
<b>Total thickness</b>	<b>331.5mm</b>				

### U-value = 0.15W/m<sup>2</sup>K

U-value, Combined Method : 0.147W/m<sup>2</sup>K (upper/lower limit 7.023 / 6.620m<sup>2</sup>K/W, dUf 0.0030, dUg 0.0000, dUp0.0000, dUr0.0000, dUrc1 0.0000, dUrc2 0.0000)

### Correction factors

Mechanical fasteners :-

Insulated fixings

Alpha : 0.00 per m lambda f : 50.0000W/mK nf : 9.000 per m<sup>2</sup> Af : 12.500mm<sup>2</sup> Recess : 10.0mm

Delta Uf for Beltermo Ultra : 0.0030

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	-	-	0.040	-	-
Render, lime-sand	8.0	0.800	0.010	50.00	0.40
Beltermo Ultra	100.0	0.042	2.350	15.00	1.50
SteicoFlex	175.0	0.036	4.850	5.00	0.88
Oriented strandboard (OSB)	11.0	0.130	0.085	250.00	2.75
Ampatex Sinco	-	-	-	-	25.00
Airspace, heat flow horizontal, 25 mm thick	25.0	-	0.180	-	0.00
Gyproc Wallboard	12.5	0.190	0.066	50.00	0.63
Inside surface resistance	-	-	0.130	-	-
<b>Total thickness</b>	<b>331.5mm</b>				

## Detailed U-value Calculation Results

Construction includes 2 bridged layers

### Non-bridged layers

Outside surface resistance	0.040 m <sup>2</sup> K/W
Render, lime-sand	0.010 m <sup>2</sup> K/W
Beltermo Ultra	2.350 m <sup>2</sup> K/W
Oriented strandboard (OSB)	0.085 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
<b>Resistance of non-bridged layers, R<sub>NB</sub> =</b>	<b>2.681 m<sup>2</sup>K/W</b>

### Bridged layers

SteicoFlex (L1) bridged by Prefabricated panels (B1)

Airspace, heat flow horizontal, 25 mm thick (L2) bridged by Softwood (B2)

Path 1 - SteicoFlex

Path 2 - Prefabrica

Path 3 - SteicoFlex

Path 4 - Prefabrica

### Resistance and fraction of heat flow paths

$$R_{P1} = R_{NB} + R_{L1} = 2.681 + 5.030 = 7.711 \text{ m}^2\text{K/W} \quad F_{P1} = 77.175\%$$

$$R_{P2} = R_{NB} + R_{L2} = 2.681 + 1.638 = 4.319 \text{ m}^2\text{K/W} \quad F_{P2} = 11.025\%$$

$$R_{P3} = R_{NB} + R_{L3} = 2.681 + 5.042 = 7.723 \text{ m}^2\text{K/W} \quad F_{P3} = 10.325\%$$

$$R_{P4} = R_{NB} + R_{L4} = 2.681 + 1.651 = 4.331 \text{ m}^2\text{K/W} \quad F_{P4} = 1.475\%$$

### Upper resistance limit

$$R_{\text{upper}} = 1 / \left( (F_{P1}/R_{P1}) + (F_{P2}/R_{P2}) + (F_{P3}/R_{P3}) + (F_{P4}/R_{P4}) \right)$$

$$R_{\text{upper}} = 1 / \left( (0.772/7.711) + (0.110/4.319) + (0.103/7.723) + (0.015/4.331) \right) = 7.023 \text{ m}^2\text{K/W}$$

### Lower resistance limit

$$R_{\text{lower}} = R_{NB} + 1 / \left( (F_{L1}/R_{L1}) + (F_{B1}/R_{B1}) \right) + 1 / \left( (F_{L2}/R_{L2}) + (F_{B2}/R_{B2}) \right)$$

$$R_{\text{lower}} = 2.681 + 1 / \left( (0.875/4.850) + (0.125/1.458) \right) + 1 / \left( (0.882/0.180) + (0.118/0.192) \right) = 6.620 \text{ m}^2\text{K/W}$$

### Total resistance of wall

$$R_T = (R_{\text{upper}} + R_{\text{lower}}) / 2 = (7.023 + 6.620) / 2 = 6.82 \text{ m}^2\text{K/W}$$

### Mechanical fasteners :-

Calculations to BS EN ISO 6946:2007

Insulated fixings

Alpha : 0.00 per m lambda f : 50.0000W/mK nf : 9.000 per m<sup>2</sup> Af : 12.500mm<sup>2</sup> Recess : 10.0mm

Delta Uf for Beltermo Ultra : 0.0030

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

(Delta Uf + Delta Ug + Delta Up + Delta Ur) is less than 3% of (1 / Rt) so U = (1 / Rt) + (Delta Ur) + (Delta Urc) = 0.15 W/m<sup>2</sup>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)
Render, lime-sand	0.0 (8.0)	1600.0	1000.0	0.0
Beltermo Ultra	0.0 (100.0)	180.0	2100.0	0.0
SteicoFlex	0.0 (175.0)	60.0	2100.0	0.0
Oriented strandboard (OSB)	11.0 (11.0)	650.0	1700.0	12155000.0
Ampatex Sinco	0.0 (-)	280.0	850.0	0.0
Airspace, heat flow horizontal, 25 mm thick	25.0 (25.0)	1.2	1008.0	30240.0
Gyproc Wallboard	12.5 (12.5)	0.0	0.0	0.0
Total				12185240.0
kappa value				12.1852
Limiting condition:	insulation			

Admittance : 1.09 W/m<sup>2</sup>K    Decrement : 0.20 factor    Decrement delay : -13.25 hours

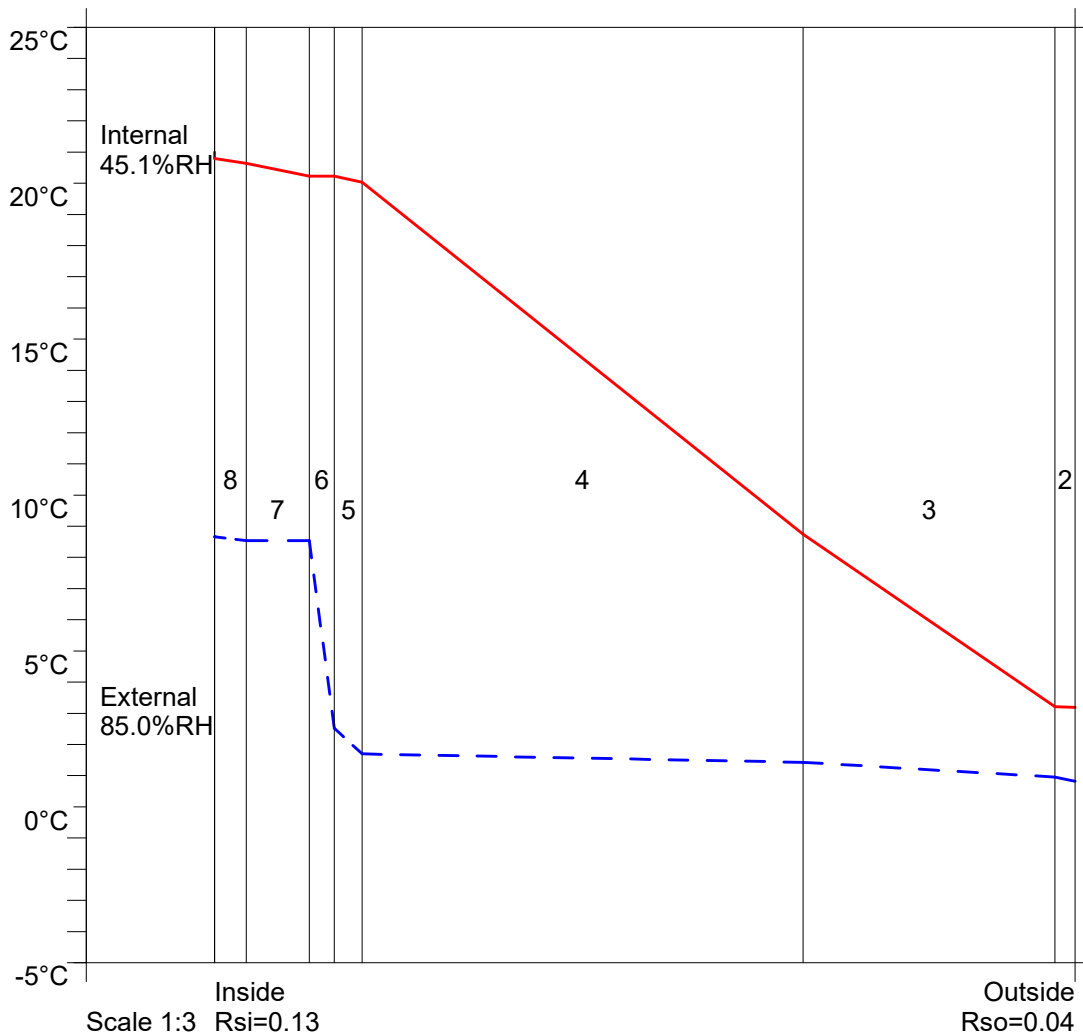
## Condensation Risk Analysis (no account taken of thermal bridges)

### 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> )	Conden-sation
1 Outside surface resistance							
2 Render, lime-sand	3.2	0.8	0.65	0.77			No
3 Beltermo Ultra	3.2	1.0	0.65	0.77			No
4 SteicoFlex	8.7	1.4	0.68	1.13			No
5 Oriented strandboard (OSB)	20.0	1.7	0.69	2.34			No
6 Ampatex Sinco	20.2	2.5	0.73	2.37			No
7 Airspace, heat flow horizontal, 25 mm thick	20.2	8.5	1.11	2.37			No
8 Gyproc Wallboard	20.6	8.5	1.11	2.43			No
9 Inside surface resistance	20.8	8.7	1.12	2.45			No

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



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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 Render, lime-sand	15.8	11.4	1.35	1.80			No
3 Beltermo Ultra	15.8	11.4	1.35	1.80			No
4 SteicoFlex	17.4	11.5	1.36	1.99			No
5 Oriented strandboard (OSB)	20.7	11.6	1.36	2.44			No
6 Ampatex Sinco	20.8	11.8	1.38	2.45			No
7 Airspace, heat flow horizontal, 25 mm thick	20.8	13.4	1.53	2.45			No
8 Gyproc Wallboard	20.9	13.4	1.53	2.47			No
9 Inside surface resistance	20.9	13.4	1.54	2.48			No

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

