## **Timber stud**

### Traditional stud partitions and walls with single or twin frames

The 'traditional' form of plasterboard partition often used in residential applications, both in new-build and refurbishment. Timber stud separating or compartment walls are specified as fire and sound resisting walls in residential units such as flats and apartments to meet the requirements of national Building Regulations.





Timber studs
 Insulation
 Horizontal noggings
 Gyproc plasterboard lining

### Key facts

- Twin frame and Gypframe RB1 Resilient Bar constructions to meet sound resisting separating wall requirements
- Can achieve high levels of sound insulation up to 63RwdB (twin frame partition)
- Can achieve up to 120 minutes fire resistance

### Components

Gyproc an	d Glasroc board product	ts	Framing		
	Gyproc WallBoard <sup>1, 2</sup>			Timber studs (by ot	hers)
	Thickness	12.5, 15mm	. 1	Depth (min)	75, 89, 100mm
	Width	1200mm		Width	as required
Gyproc and	Gyproc SoundBloc		6	Gypframe RB1 Resilient Bar	
	Thickness	12.5.15mm	S. F.	For improved acoustic performance.	
	Width	1200mm		Length	3000mm
	Gyproc Plank			Timber battens (by others)	
	Thickness	19mm			
	Width	600mm	<b>X</b>		
	Gyproc FireLine <sup>2</sup>				
	Thickness	12.5 <sup>1</sup> ,15mm			
	Width	900,1200mm			
	Glasroc MultiBoard		-		
	Thickness	6, 10, 12.5mm			
	Width	1200mm			

<sup>1</sup> Moisture resistant boards should be specifed in intermittent wet use areas e.g. shower areas, bathrooms and kitchens

<sup>2</sup> Also available in DUPLEX grades where vapour control is required.

### **Fixing and finishing products**



- Gyproc Drywall Timber Screws
- For fixing boards to normal softwoods, super-dried timber and engineered 'I' beams.



### **Gyproc Drywall Screws**

For fixing boards to Gypframe RB1 Resilient Bars, and Gypframe RB1 Resilient Bars to softwood timber framing.



### Gyproc Sealant

Sealing airpaths for optimum sound insulation.



### Gyproc edge beads

Protecting and enhancing board edges and corners.

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### **Moy Acoustic Roll** For enhanced acoustic performance.

### Fixing and finishing products



Gyproc Skimcoat, Gyproc Carlite Finish or Gyproc Board Finish Providing a plaster finish.



### **Gyproc jointing materials** For seamless jointing.

hanced acoustic performance

### **Construction tips**

- To minimise the risk of cracking at plasterboard joints, use seasoned timber with a moisture content not exceeding that recommended in *BS 5268: Part 2: 1991*. Even timber complying with the moisture content of *BS 5268* may shrink and twist as it dries, thus nail-popping may still occur
- To minimise the risk of fixing defects occuring, use Gyproc Drywall Timber Screws for fixing into standard softwood, and super-dried timber (approx. 12% moisture content). Fix boards tight to accurately spaced, aligned and levelled framing
- Select the right length of fixing (nominal entry into timber of 25mm, nominal entry into Gypframe RB1 Resilient Bar metal of 10mm)
- Ensure that the dimensions of timber supports are sufficient to allow positive fixing of plasterboards. Bearing surface of existing framing can be increased by fixing timber battens
- Install cavity barriers where specified
- Consider a damp proof membrane on new concrete or screeded floors
- Additional framing will be required to support heavyweight items (e.g. sanitary ware). Ducts and dampers will
  generally require independent support from the structure

### Construction tips (cont'd)

### Installation

- Consider fixing Gypframe RB1 Resilient Bars to partially isolate linings from timber framing to provide improved acoustic performance
- Use full height boards wherever possible
- Support single layer horizontal board joints with timber nogging
- Install control joints where specified
- Consider skirting fixing mechanical or using Gyproc Sealant
- For further construction advice, please approach a timber frame association, such as the Irish Timber Frame Manufacturers' Association or the UK Timber Frame Association.

• Determine and mark the wall position and make allowance for openings.

• Fix timber of the required dimensions to the perimeter, abutments and to frame any openings, using appropriate fixings.

• Fix timber studs at appropriate centres.

• Install additional framing as required to support medium to heavy fixtures.

• Install noggings (e.g. mid-height) as required.

• Stagger noggings to allow fixing from back of studs.

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# Door jamb

- Form door openings by fixing full height studs to each side, together with a timber head piece. Door casings can then be fixed to these timbers.
- Apply Gyproc Sealant to frame perimeters to provide optimum acoustic performance.
- Install services (by appropriate trades), normally after one side is boarded.
- NB Drills / hole saws are required to form service holes in timber studs.

• Fix timber noggings to support recessed switch boxes / socket outlets. Back service outlets with 30mm stone mineral wool (80 kg/m<sup>3</sup>) to maintain fire integrity, where required.





### Board fixing - single layer

- Fix boards to timber supports using Gyproc Drywall Timber Screws or Gyproc Nails. The former provide a superior fixing and minimises any risk of fixing defects occurring.
- Install screws at 300mm maximum centres (200mm maximum centres at external angles).
- Install nails at 150mm maximum centres.

**NB** Select the appropriate length of fixing to provide a nominal 25mm penetration into the timber.

• Lightly butt boards, inserting fixings not closer than 10mm from bound edges and 13mm from cut edges.

• Where door openings occur, cut boards around the openings to avoid a joint directly in line with door jambs.

• Stagger board joints relative to the opposite side.

### Board fixing - multi-layer

• Mark the position of studs prior to installing first layer boards.

• After first layer boards have been installed, transfer these dimensions to the lining and mark lines to indicate the position of timber supports. Under layer boards do not require centre stud fixings.

• Install second layer boards with edges/ends against the centre line of supports with all joints staggered in

relation to the first layer. Fix boards to all supports using Gyproc Drywall Timber Screws (preferred).

• Where Gyproc Plank is specified as the base layer, install horizontally and fix with Gyproc nails to each stud position at 300mm centres. Half stagger end joints in alternate courses.

• If supports are at closer centres trim the board as appropriate.

• Noggings are required to support horizontal joints.

• Provide support for board ends and edges at the perimeter.

• Stagger horizontal joints and tape all joints when the board is finished.

### **Twin frameworks**

• Where a twin framework is specified, install the second framework as the first and position so as to achieve the required overall wall thickness.

• Board fixing - follow the instructions in 'Board fixing - single layer or multi layer' as appropriate.

### Acoustic detailing

• Install Moy insulation progressively as boarding proceeds.

Seal any gaps at the base of linings with Gyproc Sealant (in conjunction with Gyproc Joint Filler) where the partition is required to meet its optimum acoustic performance (see **junction detail 5** later).

### Installation - Gypframe RB1 Resilient Bar fixing



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• Gypframe RB1 Resilient Bars are fixed horizontally to the timber studs, to one or both sides as specified, at 600mm centres with 36mm Gyproc Drywall Screws.

• Resilient bars are joined by nesting them together over a stud.



• The resilient bars are normally fixed with the base of the flange on the top side, except on the uppermost resilient bar which is fixed base flange down to provide board fixing at the partition head.

• Timber packers (16mm thick) should be used at the base to facilitate skirting fixing.



• Install Gypframe RB1 Resilient Bar noggings where required to support the lining at corners, openings and abutments.



Board fixing onto Gypframe RB1 Resilient Bar

 Install boards vertically, fixing at 300mm centres along each Gypframe RB1 Resilient Bar using Gyproc Drywall Screws.
 Select the fixing to give a minimum 10mm penetration into the metal.

• Lightly butt boards, inserting fixings not closer than 10mm from bound edges and 13mm from cut edges. Stagger board joints relative to the opposite side.

• At abutments and openings, insert screw fixings into Gypframe RB1 Resilient

Bar noggings at 300mm centres. At external corners, fixing centres are reduced to 200mm centres.

• For double layer linings mark the position of bars prior to installing first layer board. After first layer boards have been installed, transfer these dimensions to the lining and mark lines to indicate the position of bars.

• Fix second layer board to Gypframe RB1 Resilient Bar as for first layer. Stagger board joints. **WB** Ensure that board fixings into Gypframe RB1 Resilient Bar clear the timber stud position otherwise acoustic isolation will be impaired.

Table 1 - Fixing plasterboard - Maximum recommended stud centres					
Board type	Thickness	Width	Recommended		
	mm	mm	stud centres mm		
Gyproc WallBoard	12 5	900	450		
-);		1200	600		
	15	900	450		
		1200	600		
Gyproc Fireline	12.5	900	450		
dyprochileLine	12.5	1200	400 600		
	15	900	450		
	19	1200	400 600		
		1200			
Gyproc Plank	19	600	600		
Gyproc SoundBloc	12.5	1200	600		
	15	1200	600		
Glasroc MultiBoard	6	1200	400		
	10	1200	600		
	12.5	1200	600		



3 Skirting

6 Timber ladder frame (ladder members at 600mm max centres)

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