



# Technical Guidance

Damp proofing around meter boxes

## Question

Can polythene bubble sheet cavity insulation be used instead of providing a cavity tray over and a dpm behind a meter box?

## Considerations

- NHBC Standards clause 6.1 - S4(e) refers to cavity trays and dpms around meter boxes to prevent moisture penetration.
- Polythene bubble sheet cavity insulation acts as an effective dpm.

## Answer

Where polythene bubble sheet insulation is being used over the whole wall area, it can be used to prevent moisture penetration around meter boxes instead of providing a cavity tray and dpm. It is not a satisfactory alternative to a cavity tray and dpm in other situations.