



Technical Guidance

Steps in foundations

Question

Are steps in foundations at corners and intersections acceptable to NHBC?

Considerations

NHBC Standards Clause 4.4 - S13(b) explains how steps should be formed in strip and trench fill foundations, although only steps in straight lengths are illustrated.

Answer

It is acceptable for steps in strip and trench fill foundations to be positioned:

- in straight lengths
- at corners
- at intersections.

In all cases the minimum overlap should comply with the guidance of Clause 4.4 - S13(b).