



Technical Guidance

Cavity walls – stopping cavities at the junction with separating walls

Question

Where blown fibre insulation is used, is it necessary to provide a flexible cavity closer in the external wall cavity at its junction with the separating wall cavity?

Considerations

- Building regulations refer to the use of flexible closers in the external wall to prevent flanking sound.

Answer

Blown fibre cavity fill is sufficient to prevent sound transmission through the external cavity without the need for a flexible closer in the external wall. The cavity of the separating wall will, however, need to be stopped to prevent the fibre from being blown into the cavity.

Where Robust Details are being used, flexible closers should be provided in accordance with the guidance given.