



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.