



# Technical Guidance

Use of nail guns for fixing trussed rafter bracing

## Question

The gauge of the nails used in nail guns is less than that quoted in the NHBC Standards. Can these be used for fixing trussed rafter bracing?

## Considerations

- NHBC Standards clause 7.2 D5(c) asks for 3.35mm (10 gauge) x 65mm long galvanised nails – nails used in nail guns are not available to this specification.

## Answer

When nail guns are used, 3.1mm x 75mm long annular ring-shank nails are acceptable. They do not need to be galvanised.