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## Introduction

### Technical Booklets

This Technical Booklet, which takes effect on 31st October 2012, is one of a series that has been prepared by the Department of Finance and Personnel (the Department) for the purpose of providing practical guidance with respect to the technical requirements of the Building Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2012 (the Building Regulations).

At the back of each Technical Booklet is a list of all the Technical Booklets that have been prepared and published by the Department for this purpose.

The guidance given in a Technical Booklet includes performance standards and design provisions relating to compliance with specific aspects of the Building Regulations for the more common building situations.

If the guidance in a Technical Booklet is followed there will be a presumption of compliance with the requirements of those Building Regulations covered by that guidance. However, this presumption can be overturned, so simply following the guidance does not guarantee compliance. For example, if a particular circumstance is not one of the more common building situations the design provisions given in the Technical Booklet may not be appropriate.

**There are likely to be alternative ways of demonstrating compliance with the relevant requirements of the Building Regulations other than by following a design provision given in a Technical Booklet. There is therefore no obligation to adopt any particular provision set out in a Technical Booklet, should you decide to comply in some other way. However, you will have to demonstrate that your alternative solution meets the relevant requirements of the Building Regulations by those other means.**

### This Technical Booklet

#### Requirements

The guidance contained in this Technical Booklet relates only to the requirements of regulations 30 and 31. The work will also have to comply with all other relevant requirements of the Building Regulations.

#### Materials and workmanship

Any building work which is subject to requirements imposed by Part A of the Building Regulations should be carried out in accordance with regulation 23 of those regulations. Guidance on meeting these requirements for materials and workmanship is given in Technical Booklet B which supports Part B.

The Building Regulations are made for specific purposes, primarily securing the health, safety, welfare and convenience of people and for the conservation of fuel and power. Standards and technical approvals are relevant guidance to the extent that they relate to these purposes. However, they may also address other aspects of performance such as serviceability, or aspects which although they relate to health and safety are not covered by the Building Regulations.

## **Named standards**

Where this Technical Booklet makes reference to a named standard, the relevant version of the standard is the one listed in the Appendix. However, if this version has been replaced or updated by the issuing standards body, the new version may be used as a source of guidance provided that it continues to address the relevant requirements of the Building Regulations.

## **Diagrams**

The diagrams in this Technical Booklet supplement the text. They do not show all the details of construction and are not intended to illustrate compliance with any other requirement of the Building Regulations. They are not necessarily to scale and should not be used as working details.

## **Protected buildings**

District councils have a duty to take account of the desirability to preserve the character of protected buildings when carrying out their functions under Building Regulations. Therefore, where work is to be carried out to a protected building to comply with Part D or any other Part of the Building Regulations, special consideration may be given to the extent of such work for compliance where it would unacceptably alter the character or appearance of the building. Protected buildings are defined in Article 3A(2) of the Building Regulations (Northern Ireland) Order 1979 (as amended).

## **Other legislation**

The provisions of this Technical Booklet relate to the requirements of Building Regulations and do not include measures which may be necessary to meet the requirements of other legislation. Such other legislation may operate during the design or construction stages or when a building is brought into use and can extend to cover aspects which are outside the scope of the Building Regulations.

### **Construction (Design And Management) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2007**

The Construction (Design and Management) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2007 impose requirements which affect building design. These include, amongst other things, the need for coordination, co-operation and communication between all parties in the construction process. The regulations also require –

- (a) those undertaking design works, as part of a business, to be competent.

- (b) an indication of the proposed construction sequence, if this is not obvious to a competent contractor. This is particularly relevant to refurbishments and new basements to existing buildings.

Note that these regulations apply to non-domestic clients, designers and contractors no matter what the duration or size of the project.

## **The Workplace (Health, Safety and Welfare) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1993**

The Workplace (Health, Safety and Welfare) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1993 (the Workplace Regulations) contain some requirements which affect building design. The main requirements are now covered by the Building Regulations, but for further information see – The Workplace Regulations and the *Workplace Health, Safety and Welfare Approved Code of Practice*.

The Workplace Regulations apply to the common parts of flats and similar buildings if people such as cleaners, wardens and caretakers are employed to work in these common parts. Where the requirements of the Building Regulations that are covered by Part D do not apply to dwellings, the provisions may still be required in the situations described above in order to satisfy the Workplace Regulations.

## Part D Regulations

Part D (comprising regulations 30 and 31) of the Building Regulations, which sets out the requirements for Structure, has been replicated below for the convenience of the user of this Technical Booklet and is taken directly from the Building Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2012.

Any person who intends to demonstrate compliance with the Building Regulations by following the guidance given in this Technical Booklet is advised to ensure that the regulations below, are current on the date when plans are deposited or notices given to the district council.

As Part A (comprising regulations 1 to 21) of the Building Regulations sets out the Interpretation along with the procedural requirements relating to the application of the regulations, the Department advises that all Parts of the Building Regulations are read in conjunction with Part A of those regulations.

The Building Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2012 and any subsequent amendment/s may be viewed by following the links from the Department's website at "[www.buildingregulationsni.gov.uk](http://www.buildingregulationsni.gov.uk)".

### PART D

#### Structure

##### Stability

**30.** A building shall be designed and constructed so that the combined dead, imposed and wind loads are sustained and transmitted to the ground, taking into account the nature of the ground—

- (a) safely; and
- (b) without impairing the safety of any part of another building.

##### Disproportionate collapse

**31.** A building shall be designed and constructed so that in the event of damage occurring to any part of the building, the extent of any resulting collapse will not be disproportionate to the cause of the damage.

## Guidance – Performance and introduction to provisions

### Regulation 30 in Part D - Stability

#### Performance

- 0.1 It is the view of the Department that the requirements of regulation 30 in Part D will be met when the structure of a building is designed and constructed —
- (a) so as to ensure the safety of those people who are in or about the building, having due regard to the nature of the ground, the loads imposed by the building and the loads imposed on the building; and
  - (b) so as not to impair the stability of any part of any other building.

#### Satisfying regulation 30 in Part D - Codes and standards relevant to all building types

For all building types, following the recommendations given in the documents listed in paragraphs 2.2 to 2.9 should demonstrate compliance with the requirements of regulation 30 in Part D. However, where they do not give precise guidance, consideration should be given to paragraph 0.2. Alternative codes and standards to those listed in paragraphs 2.2 to 2.9 may be used to satisfy the requirements of the Building Regulations.

#### Further considerations

- 0.2 The safety of a structure depends on the successful combination of design and completed construction, particularly —
- (a) identification of hazards to which the structure is likely to be subjected and assessment of the risks using the conditions that can reasonably be foreseen during future use;
  - (b) the self-weight of the building;
  - (c) the loads imposed on the building including those arising from climatic conditions;
  - (d) combinations of (a), (b) and (c);
  - (e) properties of materials;
  - (f) safety factors;
  - (g) the nature of the ground;
  - (h) impact on and by other buildings; and
  - (i) workmanship.

The numeric values of safety factors, whether expressed explicitly or implicitly in design equations, or design values, should be derived from considerations of the above aspects of design and construction as a whole. A change in any one of these aspects may disturb the safety of the structure.

Actions used in calculations should allow for possible dynamic, concentrated and peak load effects that may occur. The design should ensure that the effects of actions do not cause a situation of irreversible serviceability limit states.

## **Alternative approach to satisfying Regulation 30 in Part D in relation to single family houses, annexes and small single storey buildings**

- 0.3 For a single family house of not more than 3 storeys in height, an annex or a small single storey building, a designer may wish to follow the guidance given in Section 4 of this Technical Booklet to demonstrate compliance with the requirements of Regulation 30 in Part D.

### **Introduction to provisions in Section 4**

Part 4A of Section 4 provides guidance on the basic requirements for stability.

The guidance in Part 4B of Section 4 is concerned with various timber members. Provisions are given in relation to the strength, loadings, sizes and spacings of those timber members.

Part 4C of Section 4 provides guidance on the design of masonry walls. Provisions are given regarding conditions relating to the building, conditions relating to the wall and wall thickness.

Part 4D of Section 4 provides guidance on the proportions for masonry chimneys above the roof surface.

The guidance in Part 4E of Section 4 is concerned with the design of concrete strip foundations.

## **Regulation 31 in Part D - Disproportionate collapse**

### **Performance**

- 0.4 It is the view of the Department that the requirements of regulation 31 in Part D will be met when a building is designed and constructed so as to ensure the safety of people in or about the building. The building design should also take into consideration accidental actions to which the structure may be subjected and the buildings ability to sustain a limited extent of damage or failure without a disproportionate level of collapse.

### **Satisfying regulation 31 in Part D**

For all building types, following the recommendations given in the documents listed in paragraph 2.10 should demonstrate compliance with the requirements of regulation 31 in Part D. Alternatively, following the procedures given in Section 3 and implementing the determined measures required to ensure robustness should demonstrate compliance with the requirements of regulation 31 in Part D.

### **Introduction to provisions in Section 3**

Section 3 gives the procedure to determine the measures required for ensuring that the building is sufficiently robust to sustain a limited extent of damage or failure, depending on the class of the building, without collapse.

## Section 1      General

### Generally

- 1.1      The general rules in paragraph 4A.1 should be complied with when using Parts 4B and 4C of Section 4. Sections 3 and 4 may be used independently of each other.

### Definitions

- 1.2      In this Technical Booklet the following definitions apply –

**Annex** – a single storey adjunct to a house (e.g. a veranda, garage, tool shed, fuel store, lavatory etc.) with dimensions not greater than those given in paragraph 4C.40.

**Buttressing wall** – a wall designed and constructed to afford lateral support to another wall perpendicular to it, support being provided from the base to the top of the wall.

**Cavity width** – the horizontal distance between the two leaves of a cavity wall.

**Compartment wall** – a wall constructed as a compartment wall to meet the requirements of regulation 35(3) in Part E.

**Dead load** – the load due to the weight of all walls, permanent partitions, floors, roofs and finishes, including services, and all other permanent construction.

**Dwelling** – has the meaning assigned to it by regulation 2 in Part A of the Building Regulations.

**Imposed load** – the load assumed to be produced by the intended occupancy or use, including the weight of movable partitions, distributed, concentrated, impact, inertia and snow loads, but excluding wind loads.

**Pier** – a member which forms an integral part of a wall, in the form of a thickened section at intervals along the wall so as to afford lateral support to the wall to which it is bonded or securely tied.

**Separating wall** – a wall or part of a wall which is common to adjoining buildings, and constructed to meet the requirements of regulation 35(2) in Part E.

**Small single storey building** – a building that is not a dwelling having dimensions not greater than those given in paragraph 4C.40.

**Spacing** – the distance between the longitudinal centres of any 2 adjacent timber members of the same type, measured in the plane of floor, ceiling or roof structure of which the members form a part.

**Span** – the distance measured along the centre line of a member between the centres of any two adjacent bearings or supports.

Note: the spans given in Part 4B of Section 4 for floor joists, rafters, purlins, ceiling joists, binders and roof joists are clear spans, i.e. spans between the faces of the supports.

**Supported wall** – a wall to which lateral support is afforded by a combination of buttressing walls, piers or chimneys acting in conjunction with floor(s) or roof.

**Wind load** – the load due to the effect of wind pressure or suction.

## Section 2      Codes and standards relevant to all building types

- 2.1      This Section is relevant to all building types and lists Codes and Standards for structural design and construction which if followed, should demonstrate compliance with the requirements of regulation 30 in Part D and regulation 31 in Part D.

### Demonstrating compliance with regulation 30 in Part D – Stability

#### Loadings

- 2.2      Eurocode 1 - Action on structures  
             BS EN 1991-1-1<sup>(1)</sup>.  
             BS EN 1991-1-3<sup>(1)</sup>.  
             BS EN 1991-1-4<sup>(1)</sup>.

#### Design and construction

##### Reinforced prestressed or plain concrete

- 2.3      Eurocode 2 - Design of concrete structures  
             BS EN 1992-1-1<sup>(1)</sup>.  
             BS EN 1992-1-2<sup>(1)</sup>.

##### Steel

- 2.4      Eurocode 3 - Design of steel structures  
             BS EN 1993-1-1<sup>(1)</sup>.  
             BS EN 1993-1-2<sup>(1)</sup>.  
             BS EN 1993-1-3<sup>(1)</sup>.  
             BS EN 1993-1-5<sup>(1)</sup>.  
             BS EN 1993-1-8<sup>(1)</sup>.  
             BS EN 1993-1-10<sup>(1)</sup>.

##### Composite steel and concrete

- 2.5      Eurocode 4 - Design of composite concrete and steel structures  
             BS EN 1994-1-1<sup>(1)</sup>.  
             BS EN 1994-1-2<sup>(1)</sup>.

(1) To be read in conjunction with the associated National Annex and BS EN 1990.

## **Timber (Generally)**

- 2.6 Eurocode 5 - Design of timber structures  
BS EN 1995-1-1<sup>(1)</sup>.  
BS EN 1995-1-2<sup>(1)</sup>.

## **Masonry**

- 2.7 Eurocode 6 - Design of masonry structures  
BS EN 1996-1-1<sup>(1)</sup>.  
BS EN 1996-1-2<sup>(1)</sup>.  
BS EN 1996-3<sup>(1)</sup>.

## **Foundations (Generally)**

- 2.8 Eurocode 7 - Geotechnical Design  
BS EN 1997-1<sup>(1)</sup>.

## **Aluminium**

- 2.9 Eurocode 9 - Design of aluminium structures  
BS EN 1999-1-1<sup>(1)</sup>.  
BS EN 1999-1-2<sup>(1)</sup>.  
BS EN 1999-1-3<sup>(1)</sup>.

## **Demonstrating compliance with regulation 31 in Part D – Disproportionate collapse**

### **Robustness**

- 2.10 Eurocode 1 - Action on structures  
BS EN 1991-1-7<sup>(1)</sup>.

(1) To be read in conjunction with the associated National Annex and BS EN 1990.

## Using alternative codes and standards to satisfy regulation 30 in Part D

### All buildings

- 2.11 As an alternative to the codes and standards referenced in paragraphs 2.2 to 2.9, the documents referred to in paragraphs 2.12 to 2.19, which were withdrawn by the British Standards Institution on 31 March 2010, may be used to satisfy the requirements of the Building Regulations. However, designers will be required to demonstrate appropriate use of withdrawn standards in the circumstances of the building work. Using withdrawn British Standards may continue to be acceptable where it can be demonstrated that design reliability can be achieved. Particular care must be exercised in relation to withdrawn codes used to calculate wind and snow loads where the effects of climate change may render these unsafe. Consistency of design approach is required and designs should not inappropriately mix Eurocodes and withdrawn British Standards.

### Structural loadings

- 2.12 BS 6399: Part 1 (excluding imposed roof loads).  
BS 6399: Part 2.  
BS 6399: Part 3.

### Reinforced prestressed or plain concrete

- 2.13 BS 8110: Part 1.  
BS 8110: Part 2.  
BS 8110: Part 3.

### Steel

- 2.14 BS 5950: Part 1.  
BS 5950: Part 2.  
BS 5950: Part 5.

### Composite steel and concrete

- 2.15 BS 5950: Part 3.  
BS 5950: Part 4.

### Timber (Generally)

- 2.16 BS 5268: Part 2.  
BS 5268: Part 3.

## **Masonry**

- 2.17 BS 5628: Part 1.  
BS 5628: Part 2.  
BS 5628: Part 3.

## **Foundations (Generally)**

- 2.18 BS 8004.

## **Aluminium**

- 2.19 BS 8118: Part 1.  
BS 8118: Part 2.

## **For single family houses and small buildings**

### **General**

- 2.20 For a house of not more than 3 storeys in height, an annex or a small single storey building, an alternative way of meeting the requirement of regulation 30 in Part D is to follow the recommendations given in the publications listed in paragraphs 2.21 to 2.24.

### **Foundations for houses and small buildings**

- 2.21 BS 8103: Part 1.

### **Suspended concrete floors for houses**

- 2.22 BS 8103: Part 4.

### **Timber floors and roofs for houses**

- 2.23 BS 8103: Part 3.

### **Masonry walls for housing and small single storey buildings**

- 2.24 BS 8103: Part 2.

## Section 3      Disproportionate collapse

### Application

- 3.1      This Section gives the procedure to determine measures to ensure the robustness of any building.

### Procedure

#### **Determination of measures to ensure robustness**

- 3.2      To ensure that a building is sufficiently robust to sustain a limited extent of damage –
- (a) the class of building should be determined using Table 3.1; and
  - (b) the required measures, described in paragraphs 3.4 to 3.11 for the class of building determined, should be followed.

The design of the required measures must be undertaken by a suitably qualified person, such as a chartered structural engineer.

#### **Designation of different building classes within a building**

- 3.3      In some circumstances it may be appropriate to treat some parts of a building as belonging to a different building class. The designation of parts of a building as belonging to different classes should only be undertaken on the recommendation of a suitably qualified person, such as a chartered structural engineer.

**Table 3.1 Building classes**

| Class                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | Building type by height, floor area and/or occupancy                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>1</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | Single family houses of not more than 4 storeys<br>Agricultural buildings<br>Buildings into which people rarely go, provided no part of the building is no closer to another building, or area where people go, than a distance of 1.5 times the building height                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| <b>2A</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 5 storey single family houses<br>Hotels, flats, maisonettes and other residential buildings not more than 4 storeys<br>Offices of not more than 4 storeys<br>Industrial buildings not more than 3 storeys<br>Shops and enclosed shopping centres not more than 3 storeys, with each storey having a floor area of not more than 2000 m <sup>2</sup><br>Educational buildings of not more than one storey<br>All other buildings of not more than 2 storeys, to which members of the public are admitted, with a floor area not greater than 2000 m <sup>2</sup> at each storey |
| <b>2B</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | Hotels, flats, maisonettes and other residential buildings more than 4 storeys but not more than 15 storeys<br>Educational buildings more than 1storey but not more than 15 storeys<br>Shops and enclosed shopping centres more than 3 storeys but not more than 15 storeys<br>Car parking of not more than 6 storeys<br>Grandstands accommodating not more than 5000 spectators<br>All other buildings to which members of the public are admitted which contain floor areas greater than 2000 m <sup>2</sup> but not greater than 5000 m <sup>2</sup> at each storey         |
| <b>3</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | Grandstands accommodating more than 5000 spectators<br>Buildings containing hazardous substances and/or processes<br>All buildings defined above as Class 2A and 2B that exceed the maximum limits on the number of storeys and/or floor area                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| <p>Notes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. For buildings intended for more than one type of use, the Class should be that pertaining to the most onerous type.</li> <li>2. In determining the number of storeys in a building, each basement storey should be counted as a storey. However, basement storeys which fulfil the robustness requirements of Class 2B can be excluded.</li> <li>3. This Table is not intended to be exhaustive so the Class of any building not falling into any of the groups listed should be agreed with the district council.</li> </ol> |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |

## Measures required to ensure robustness

### Class 1 buildings

- 3.4 For a Class 1 building, provided the building has been designed and constructed in accordance with the publications specified in Section 2 or, in the case of a single family house of not more than 3 storeys, the guidance given in Section 4, to satisfy the requirements of regulation 30 in Part D, no additional measures are necessary.

### Class 2A buildings

- 3.5 For a Class 2A building, effective horizontal ties should be provided, or effective anchorage of suspended floors to walls, as described in the codes and standards listed under paragraph 3.8 for framed and load-bearing wall construction; the latter being defined in paragraph 3.11.

### Class 2B buildings

- 3.6 For a Class 2B building either (a) or (b) should be followed –
- (a) provide effective –
    - (i) horizontal ties, as described in the codes and standards listed under paragraph 3.8 for framed and load-bearing wall construction; (the latter being defined in paragraph 3.11); and
    - (ii) vertical ties, as defined in the codes and standards listed under paragraph 3.8, in all supporting columns and walls; or
  - (b) check that upon the notional removal of each supporting column and each beam supporting one or more columns, or any nominal length of load-bearing wall (one at a time in each storey of the building) that the building remains stable and that the area of floor at any storey at risk of collapse does not exceed 15% of the floor area of that storey or 100 m<sup>2</sup>, whichever is smaller, and does not extend further than the immediate adjacent storeys (see Diagram 3.1).
- Where the notional removal of such columns and lengths of walls would result in an extent of damage in excess of the above limit, then any such element should be designed as a “key element” as described in paragraph 3.10.

### Class 3 buildings

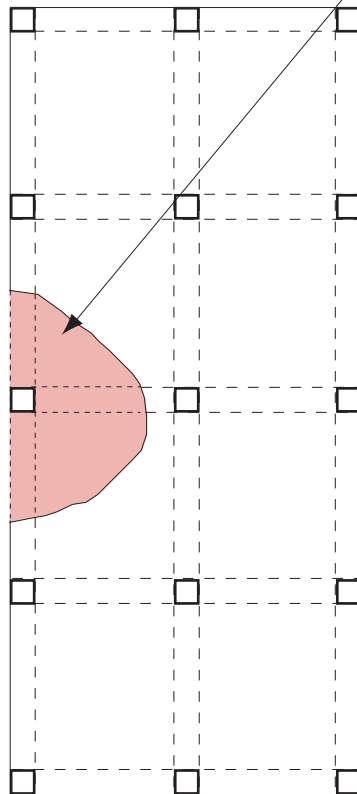
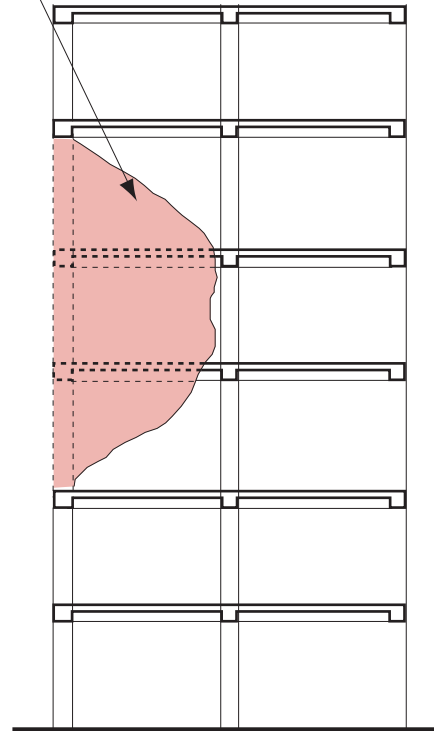
- 3.7 For Class 3 buildings, a systematic risk assessment of the building should be undertaken taking into account all the normal hazards that may reasonably be foreseen, together with any abnormal hazards.

Critical situations for design should be selected that reflect the conditions that can reasonably be foreseen as possible during the life of the building. The structural form and concept and any protective measures should then be chosen and the detailed design of the structure and its elements undertaken in accordance with the recommendations given in the Codes and Standards given in paragraph 3.8.

**Diagram 3.1 Area at risk of collapse in the event of damage**

see para 3.6

area at risk of collapse limited to 15% of the floor area of that storey or 100 m<sup>2</sup>, whichever is less, and does not extend further than the immediate adjacent storeys

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### Codes and Standards

- 3.8 Details of the effective horizontal and vertical ties, together with the design approaches for checking the integrity of the building following the notional removal of vertical members and the design of key elements, are available in BS EN 1991-1-7.

As an alternative to the above, the Standards referenced below which have been withdrawn by the British Standards Institution, may be used to satisfy the requirements of the building regulations. However, designers will be required to demonstrate appropriate use of withdrawn standards in the circumstances of the building work. Using withdrawn British Standards may continue to be acceptable where it can be demonstrated that design reliability can be achieved —

- (a) BS 5628: Part 1;
- (b) BS 5950: Part 1;
- (c) BS 8110: Part 1; and
- (d) BS 8110: Part 2.

## **Nominal length of loadbearing wall**

- 3.9 The nominal length of loadbearing wall construction referred to in paragraph 3.6(b) should be taken as follows —
- (a) in the case of a reinforced concrete wall, the distance between lateral supports, subject to a maximum length not exceeding  $2.25H$ ;
  - (b) in the case of an external masonry wall, or timber or steel stud wall, the length measured between vertical lateral supports; and
  - (c) in the case of an internal masonry wall, or timber or steel stud wall, a length not exceeding  $2.25H$ ,
- where  $H$  is the storey height in metres.

## **Key elements**

- 3.10 A “key element”, as referred to in paragraph 3.6, should be capable of sustaining an accidental design loading of  $34 \text{ kN/m}^2$  applied in the horizontal and vertical directions (in one direction at a time), to the member and any attached components (e.g. cladding etc.), having regard to the ultimate strength of such components and their connections. Such accidental design loading should be assumed to act simultaneously with one third of all normal characteristic loading (i.e. wind and imposed loading).

## **Loadbearing wall construction**

- 3.11 For the purposes of this Section the term “loadbearing wall construction” includes masonry cross-wall construction and walls comprising close centred timber or lightweight steel section studs.

# **Houses, annexes and small single storey buildings**

## Section 4      Single family houses, annexes and small single storey buildings

### **Application and presentation**

- 4.1      This Section applies to a single family house of not more than 3 storeys in height, an annex, and a small single storey building other than a dwelling.
- 4.2      This section is presented as follows —
  - 4A      Basic requirements for stability.
  - 4B      Timber floor, ceiling and roof members in a house.
  - 4C      Masonry walls.
  - 4D      Proportions for masonry chimneys above the roof surface.
  - 4E      Foundations of plain concrete.

## 4A Basic requirements for stability

### General

- 4A.1 These basic requirements for stability must be used in conjunction with Sections 4B and 4C.

### Roofs

Trussed rafter roofs should be braced to the recommendations of BS 5268: Part 3. Where a traditionally framed roof (i.e. using rafters, purlins and ceiling joists) does not have sufficient built-in resistance to instability, for instance from hipped returns, rigid sarking or the like, then bracing equivalent to that recommended in BS 5268: Part 3 should be provided.

### Walls

If the roof structure is braced as described above and adequately anchored to the structure beneath, and the walls are designed and restrained in accordance with the requirements of Section 4, no further provision is required to take account of loads due to the effect of wind pressure or suction.

## 4B Timber floor, ceiling and roof members in a house

### Determination of dimensions of timber members

- 4B.1 The dimensions of a timber floor, ceiling or roof member may be determined by following either –
- (a) the guidance given in “Eurocode 5 span tables for solid timber members in floors, ceilings and roofs for dwellings” published by TRADA and available from Chiltern House, Stocking Lane, Hughenden Valley, High Wycombe, Bucks HP14 4ND; or
  - (b) the guidance given in paragraphs 4B.2 to 4B.15.

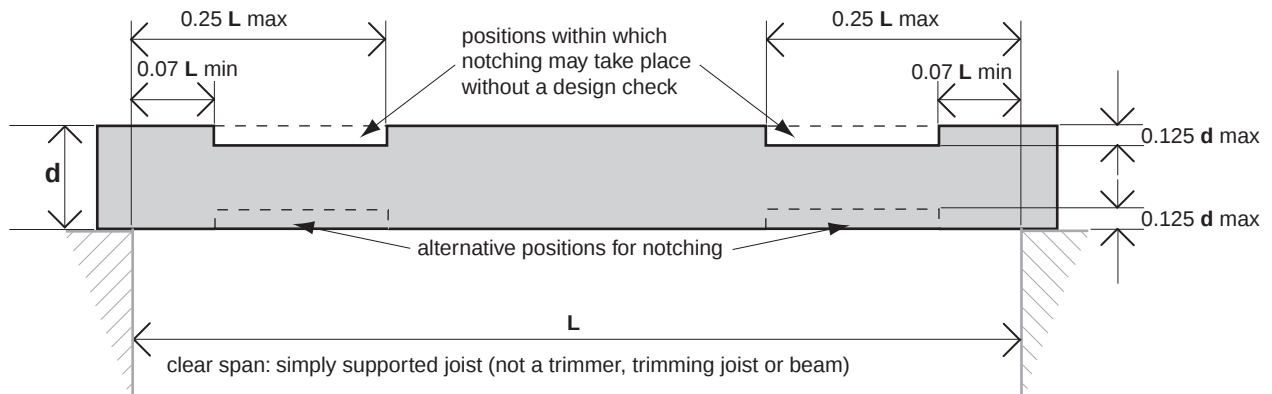
### Generally

- 4B.2 The stability requirements in paragraph 4A.1 should be complied with when using this Section.
- 4B.3 The dimensions of a timber member may be determined by this Section where –
- (a) the dead and imposed loads to be sustained by the floor, ceiling or roof of which the member forms part, do not exceed the values given in the appropriate diagrams and tables;
  - (b) the species and grade of timber for the strength class to which the table relates is either –
    - (i) as given in Table 4B.1 for more common species; or
    - (ii) as given in the more comprehensive tables of BS 5268: Part 2;
  - (c) the timber is service class 1 or 2 and is clearly marked “Dry” or “KD” (kiln dried); and
  - (d) floorboarding complying with BS 1297 is used.
- 4B.4 Strength classes, species, grades and species combinations referred to in this Section are as defined in BS 5268: Part 2.
- 4B.5 Cross sectional dimensions given in the tables to this Section are applicable to either basic sawn or regularised sizes as defined in BS EN 1313 -1. Reference should be made to the accompanying notes to the tables to determine whether sawn or regularised sizes apply. The tables do not apply where dimensions have been reduced by planing. For timber of North American origin the tables apply only as indicated to surface sizes unless the timber has been resawn to BS EN 1313 -1 requirements.
- 4B.6 Notches and holes in simply supported floor and roof joists should be within the limits shown in Diagram 4B.1. No notches or holes should be cut in roof rafters, other than at supports where the rafter may be birdsmouthed to a depth not exceeding 0.33 times the rafter depth.
- 4B.7 Bearing areas and workmanship should comply with the relevant requirements of BS 5268: Part 2 and to the lateral restraint provisions given in paragraphs 4C.21 to 4C.24.

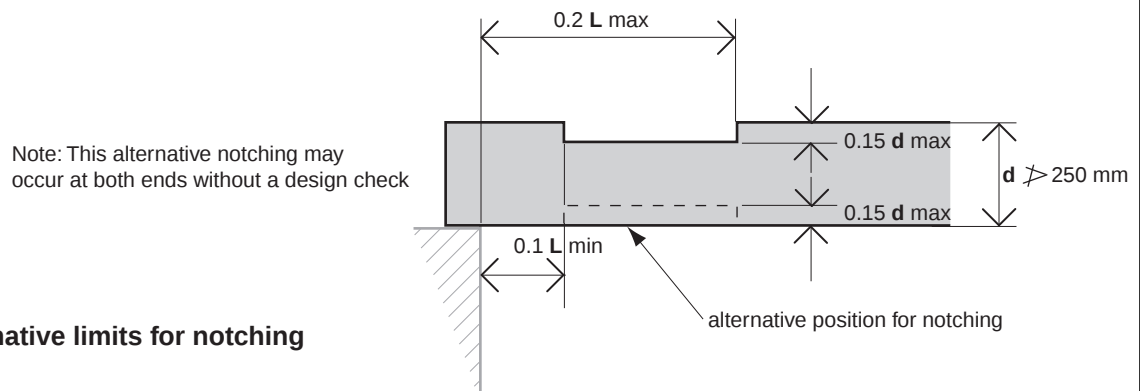
**Diagram 4B.1**

## Limitations for notches and holes in floor and roof joists

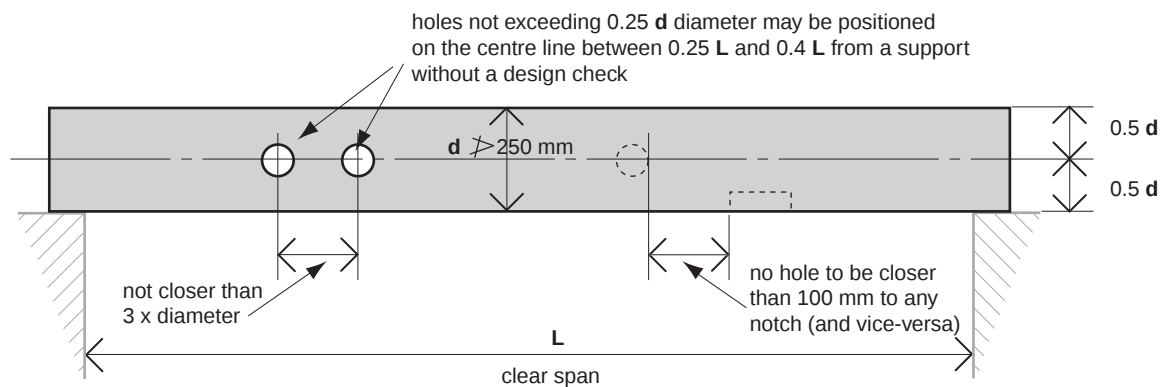
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### a) limits for notching

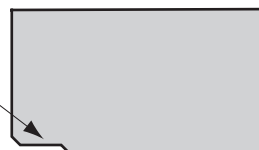


### b) alternative limits for notching



### c) limits for drilling

end of joists, trimmers, etc. supported by a joist hanger should be shaped to house the thickness and profile of the joist hanger chosen



### d) end trimming

$\nlessgtr$  means not greater than

**Table 4B.1 Stress grade/species combinations which meet the strength classes C16 and C24**

| Species                                                                                          |                    | Graded to meet strength class C16                                  | Graded to meet strength class C24                |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|
| <b>All species listed in this Table, machine graded to BS EN 14081- 1 and marked accordingly</b> |                    | Machine graded to C16                                              | Machine graded to C24                            |
| <b>Imported redwood or whitewood visually graded to BS 4978</b>                                  |                    | GS                                                                 | SS                                               |
| <b>British - grown visually graded to BS 4978</b>                                                | Douglas fir        | SS                                                                 | --                                               |
|                                                                                                  | Larch              | SS                                                                 | --                                               |
|                                                                                                  | Pine               | SS                                                                 | --                                               |
|                                                                                                  | Spruce             | SS                                                                 | --                                               |
| <b>Canadian visually graded to BS 4978</b>                                                       | Douglas fir-larch  | GS                                                                 | SS                                               |
|                                                                                                  | Hem-fir            | GS                                                                 | SS                                               |
|                                                                                                  | Spruce-pine-fir    | GS                                                                 | SS                                               |
|                                                                                                  | Sitka spruce       | SS                                                                 | --                                               |
| <b>Canadian graded to NLGA</b>                                                                   | Douglas fir-larch  | Joist and Plank No. 1 and No. 2<br>Structural L.F. No. 1 and No. 2 | Joist and Plank Select<br>Structural L.F.        |
|                                                                                                  | Hem-fir            | Joist and Plank No. 1 and No. 2<br>Structural L.F. No. 1 and No. 2 | Joist and Plank Select<br>Structural L.F.        |
|                                                                                                  | Spruce-pine-fir    | Joist and Plank No. 1 and No. 2<br>Structural L.F. No. 1 and No. 2 | Joist and Plank Select                           |
|                                                                                                  | Sitka spruce       | Joist and Plank Select<br>Structural L.F.                          | --                                               |
| <b>Canadian graded to MSR Standard</b>                                                           | Douglas fir-larch  | Machine stress-rated, 1 450f -1.3E                                 | Machine stress-rated, 1 800f -1.6E               |
|                                                                                                  | Hem-fir            | Machine stress-rated, 1 450f -1.3E                                 | Machine stress-rated, 1 800f -1.6E               |
|                                                                                                  | Spruce-pine-fir    | Machine stress-rated, 1 450f -1.3E                                 | Machine stress-rated, 1 800f -1.6E               |
| <b>USA visually graded to BS 4978</b>                                                            | Douglas fir-larch  | GS                                                                 | SS                                               |
|                                                                                                  | Hem-fir            | GS                                                                 | SS                                               |
|                                                                                                  | Southern pine      | GS                                                                 | SS                                               |
|                                                                                                  | Spruce-pine-fir    | GS                                                                 | SS                                               |
|                                                                                                  | Western white wood | SS                                                                 | --                                               |
| <b>USA graded to NGRDL</b>                                                                       | Douglas fir-larch  | Joist and Plank No. 1 and No. 2<br>Structural L.F. No. 1 and No. 2 | Joist and Plank Select<br>Structural L.F. Select |
|                                                                                                  | Hem-fir            | Joist and Plank No. 1 and No. 2<br>Structural L.F. No. 1 and No. 2 | Joist and Plank Select<br>Structural L.F. Select |
|                                                                                                  | Spruce-pine-fir    | Joist and Plank No. 1 and No. 2<br>Structural L.F. No. 1 and No. 2 | Joist and Plank Select<br>Structural L.F. Select |
|                                                                                                  | Western white wood | Joist and Plank Select<br>Structural L.F. Select                   | --                                               |
|                                                                                                  | Southern pine      | Joist and Plank No. 3<br>Stud grade                                | Joist and Plank Select                           |
| <b>USA graded to MSR Standard</b>                                                                | Douglas fir-larch  | Machine stress-rated, 1 450f -1.3E                                 | Machine stress-rated, 1 800f -1.6E               |
|                                                                                                  | Hem-fir            | Machine stress-rated, 1 450f -1.3E                                 | Machine stress-rated, 1 800f -1.6E               |
|                                                                                                  | Southern pine      | Machine stress-rated, 1 450f -1.3E                                 | Machine stress-rated, 1 800f -1.6E               |
|                                                                                                  | Spruce-pine-fir    | Machine stress-rated, 1 450f -1.3E                                 | Machine stress-rated, 1 800f -1.6E               |

Notes:

- Where one stress grade is tabulated, any stronger stress grade of the same species also meets the strength class
- BS 5268: Part 2 contains a larger selection of stress – grade/species combinations which meet C16 and C24 strength class

## Spans, sizes and spacings for timber members

- 4B.8 Table 4B.3 sets out a schedule of tables, which are preceded by notes and diagrams, that give spans, sizes and spacings for certain timber floor, ceiling and roof members.
- 4B.9 Tables 4B.11 to 4B.44 give the sizes of certain roof members for imposed loads of  $0.75 \text{ kN/m}^2$  and  $1.00 \text{ kN/m}^2$ . The loading applicable at a particular site depends on the elevation of that site above sea level and the zone in which it is situated. (See Table 4B.2 and Diagram 4B.2.)

The tables for the pitched roof timbers are only applicable to a building where no access is provided to the roof, other than that necessary for cleaning and maintenance, which has –

- (a) a roof area not greater than  $200 \text{ m}^2$  in plan; or
- (b) a width not greater than 10 m and a pitched roof with no parapet,

provided that there are no other buildings within 1.5 m of its perimeter, and provided the roof configuration also meets one of the following conditions –

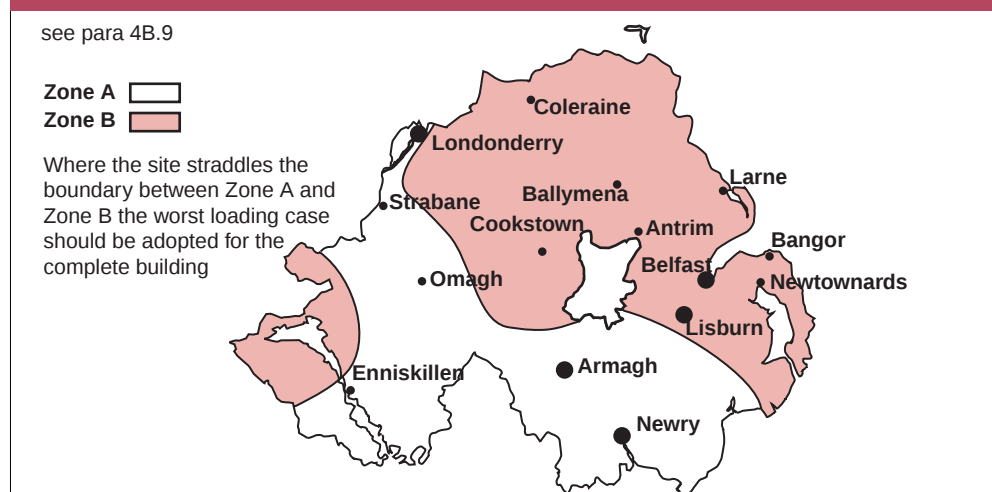
- (i) the roof has no abrupt changes of height greater than 1 m, at which a drift of snow could occur; or
- (ii) the area of a lower part of the roof, on which a drift of snow could form, is not greater than  $35 \text{ m}^2$ .

Any building that does not fall within the criteria set out above is outside the scope of this Technical Booklet.

**Table 4B.2 Simplified imposed roof loads**

| Altitude of site above sea level<br>(m) | Zone A<br>( $\text{kN/m}^2$ ) | Zone B<br>( $\text{kN/m}^2$ ) |
|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| from 0 to 100                           | 0.75                          | 0.75                          |
| more than 100 but not more than 150     | 0.75                          | 0.75                          |
| more than 150 but not more than 200     | 0.75                          | 1.00                          |
| more than 200 but not more than 250     | 1.00                          | 1.00                          |
| more than 250 but not more than 300     | 1.00                          | –                             |

**Diagram 4B.2 Simplified roof snow load map**



**Table 4B.3 Schedule of Tables relating to timber members**

| Construction                                                                                                                          | Timber members | Imposed loading<br>kN/m <sup>2</sup> | Table number |       |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|--------------------------------------|--------------|-------|
|                                                                                                                                       |                |                                      | C16          | C24   |
| Floors                                                                                                                                | joists         | 1.50                                 | 4B.5         | 4B.6  |
| Ceilings                                                                                                                              | joists         | 0.25                                 | 4B.7         | 4B.9  |
|                                                                                                                                       | binders        | 0.25                                 | 4B.8         | 4B.10 |
| Pitched roofs more than 15° but not more than 22.5°                                                                                   | rafters        | 0.75                                 | 4B.11        | 4B.13 |
|                                                                                                                                       |                | 1.00                                 | 4B.15        | 4B.17 |
|                                                                                                                                       | purlins        | 0.75                                 | 4B.12        | 4B.14 |
|                                                                                                                                       |                | 1.00                                 | 4B.16        | 4B.18 |
| Pitched roofs more than 22.5° but not more than 30°                                                                                   | rafters        | 0.75                                 | 4B.19        | 4B.21 |
|                                                                                                                                       |                | 1.00                                 | 4B.23        | 4B.25 |
|                                                                                                                                       | purlins        | 0.75                                 | 4B.20        | 4B.22 |
|                                                                                                                                       |                | 1.00                                 | 4B.24        | 4B.26 |
| Pitched roofs more than 30° but not more than 45°                                                                                     | rafters        | 0.75                                 | 4B.27        | 4B.29 |
|                                                                                                                                       |                | 1.00                                 | 4B.31        | 4B.33 |
|                                                                                                                                       | purlins        | 0.75                                 | 4B.28        | 4B.30 |
|                                                                                                                                       |                | 1.00                                 | 4B.32        | 4B.34 |
| Flat roofs access for cleaning and maintenance only                                                                                   | joists         | 0.75                                 | 4B.35        | 4B.36 |
|                                                                                                                                       |                | 1.00                                 | 4B.37        | 4B.38 |
| Flat roofs with access allowed                                                                                                        | joists         | 1.50                                 | 4B.39        | 4B.40 |
| Sheeted or decked roofs more than 10° but not more than 35°                                                                           | purlins        | 0.75                                 | 4B.41        | 4B.42 |
|                                                                                                                                       |                | 1.00                                 | 4B.43        | 4B.44 |
| Notes:                                                                                                                                |                |                                      |              |       |
| 1. The strength class given in this Table assumes that the species and grades of timber to be used are those described in Table 4B.1. |                |                                      |              |       |
| 2. These Tables do not apply to trussed rafted roofs.                                                                                 |                |                                      |              |       |

- 4B.10 Floor joists spanning in excess of 2.5 m should be strutted by one or more rows of solid or herringbone strutting in accordance with Table 4B.4. Solid strutting should be at least 38 mm timber thickness extending at least 0.75 times the depth of the joists. Herringbone strutting should be of at least 38 mm x 38 mm timber size but should not be used where the distance between joists is greater than 3 times the depth of the joists.

**Table 4B.4 Strutting to joists**

| Joist span                                    | No. of rows and position of strutting |
|-----------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Not greater than 2.5 m                        | None                                  |
| Greater than 2.5 m but not greater than 4.5 m | 1 at mid-span                         |
| greater than 4.5 m                            | 2 at one third span positions         |

## Floor joists

- 4B.11 Tables 4B.5 and 4B.6 give the maximum clear span for floor joists using timber strength class C16 and C24 that will support the dead loads specified and a maximum imposed floor loading of  $1.5 \text{ kN/m}^2$ . Partition loads are not allowed for in Tables 4B.5 and 4B.6.

Softwood tongued and grooved floorboards 16 mm thick will safely support this floor loading if the spacing of the joists is not greater than 500 mm. Floorboarding 19 mm thick is required if the spacing of the floor joists is greater than 500 mm but not greater than 600 mm.

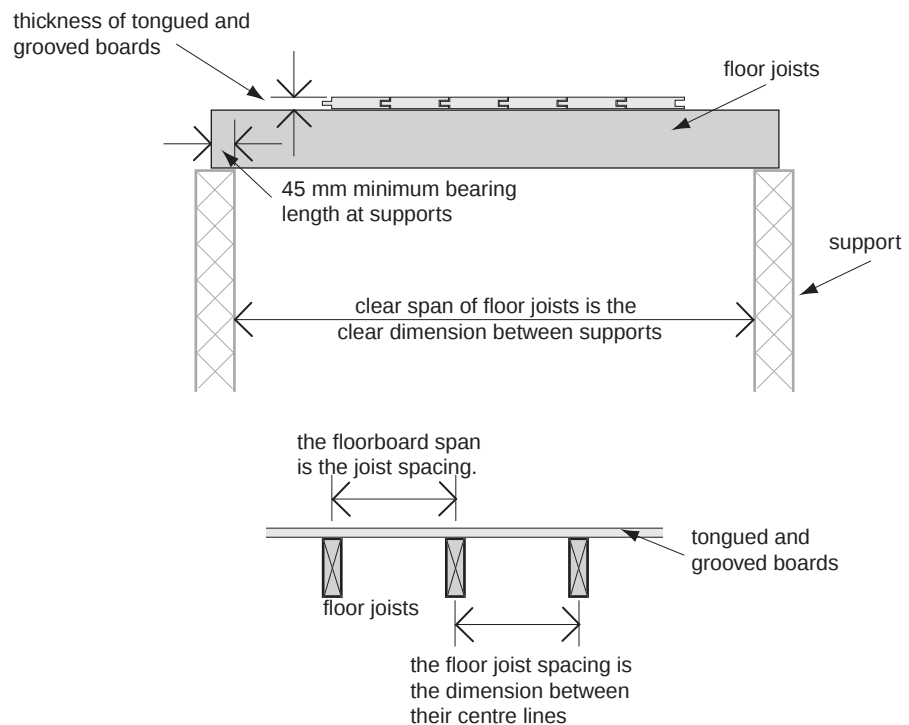
These tables can be used when a bath is to be installed provided the joists directly supporting the bath are doubled-up. There is no allowance made for the weight of partitions.

The section sizes are either sawn across the timber thickness in accordance with tolerance class 1 of BS EN 336 and processed in accordance with tolerance class 2 of BS EN 336 across the timber width (joist depth), or are Canadian Lumber Standards/ American Lumber Standards (CLS/ALS) processed sizes in accordance with tolerance class 2, to provide level surfaces for ease of ceiling lining and the fixing of structural decking.

If the end of a joist is supported on masonry, the end bearing should be increased from the 45 mm shown in Diagram 4B.3 to not less than 90 mm to provide restraint to the masonry wall.

**Diagram 4B.3 Floor joists**

see para 4B.11



**Table 4B.5 Maximum clear span of floor joists (m):  
Timber strength class C16**
**C16**

| Size of joist<br>(mm x mm) | Dead Load [kN/m <sup>2</sup> ] excluding the self weight of the joist |      |      |                                          |      |      |                                          |      |      |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|------|------|------------------------------------------|------|------|------------------------------------------|------|------|
|                            | Not more than 0.25                                                    |      |      | More than 0.25 but<br>not more than 0.50 |      |      | More than 0.50 but<br>not more than 1.25 |      |      |
|                            | Spacing of joists (mm)                                                |      |      |                                          |      |      |                                          |      |      |
|                            | 400                                                                   | 450  | 600  | 400                                      | 450  | 600  | 400                                      | 450  | 600  |
| 38 x 97                    | 1.83                                                                  | 1.69 | 1.30 | 1.72                                     | 1.56 | 1.21 | 1.42                                     | 1.30 | 1.04 |
| 38 x 120                   | 2.48                                                                  | 2.39 | 1.93 | 2.37                                     | 2.22 | 1.76 | 1.95                                     | 1.79 | 1.45 |
| 38 x 145                   | 2.98                                                                  | 2.87 | 2.51 | 2.85                                     | 2.71 | 2.33 | 2.45                                     | 2.29 | 1.87 |
| 38 x 170                   | 3.44                                                                  | 3.31 | 2.87 | 3.28                                     | 3.10 | 2.69 | 2.81                                     | 2.65 | 2.27 |
| 38 x 195                   | 3.94                                                                  | 3.75 | 3.26 | 3.72                                     | 3.52 | 3.06 | 3.19                                     | 3.01 | 2.61 |
| 38 x 220                   | 4.43                                                                  | 4.19 | 3.65 | 4.16                                     | 3.93 | 3.42 | 3.57                                     | 3.37 | 2.92 |
| 47 x 97                    | 2.02                                                                  | 1.91 | 1.58 | 1.92                                     | 1.82 | 1.46 | 1.67                                     | 1.53 | 1.23 |
| 47 x 120                   | 2.66                                                                  | 2.56 | 2.30 | 2.55                                     | 2.45 | 2.09 | 2.26                                     | 2.08 | 1.70 |
| 47 x 145                   | 3.20                                                                  | 3.08 | 2.79 | 3.06                                     | 2.95 | 2.61 | 2.72                                     | 2.57 | 2.17 |
| 47 x 170                   | 3.69                                                                  | 3.55 | 3.19 | 3.53                                     | 3.40 | 2.99 | 3.12                                     | 2.94 | 2.55 |
| 47 x 195                   | 4.22                                                                  | 4.06 | 3.62 | 4.04                                     | 3.89 | 3.39 | 3.54                                     | 3.34 | 2.90 |
| 47 x 220                   | 4.72                                                                  | 4.57 | 4.04 | 4.55                                     | 4.35 | 3.79 | 3.95                                     | 3.74 | 3.24 |
| 50 x 97                    | 2.08                                                                  | 1.97 | 1.67 | 1.98                                     | 1.87 | 1.54 | 1.74                                     | 1.60 | 1.29 |
| 50 x 120                   | 2.72                                                                  | 2.62 | 2.37 | 2.60                                     | 2.50 | 2.19 | 2.33                                     | 2.17 | 1.77 |
| 50 x 145                   | 3.27                                                                  | 3.14 | 2.86 | 3.13                                     | 3.01 | 2.69 | 2.81                                     | 2.65 | 2.27 |
| 50 x 170                   | 3.77                                                                  | 3.62 | 3.29 | 3.61                                     | 3.47 | 3.08 | 3.21                                     | 3.03 | 2.63 |
| 50 x 195                   | 4.31                                                                  | 4.15 | 3.73 | 4.13                                     | 3.97 | 3.50 | 3.65                                     | 3.44 | 2.99 |
| 50 x 220                   | 4.79                                                                  | 4.66 | 4.17 | 4.64                                     | 4.47 | 3.91 | 4.07                                     | 3.85 | 3.35 |
| 63 x 97                    | 2.32                                                                  | 2.20 | 1.92 | 2.19                                     | 2.08 | 1.82 | 1.93                                     | 1.84 | 1.53 |
| 63 x 120                   | 2.93                                                                  | 2.82 | 2.57 | 2.81                                     | 2.70 | 2.45 | 2.53                                     | 2.43 | 2.09 |
| 63 x 145                   | 3.52                                                                  | 3.39 | 3.08 | 3.37                                     | 3.24 | 2.95 | 3.04                                     | 2.92 | 2.58 |
| 63 x 170                   | 4.06                                                                  | 3.91 | 3.56 | 3.89                                     | 3.74 | 3.40 | 3.50                                     | 3.37 | 2.95 |
| 63 x 195                   | 4.63                                                                  | 4.47 | 4.07 | 4.44                                     | 4.28 | 3.90 | 4.01                                     | 3.85 | 3.35 |
| 63 x 220                   | 5.06                                                                  | 4.92 | 4.58 | 4.91                                     | 4.77 | 4.37 | 4.51                                     | 4.30 | 3.75 |
| 75 x 120                   | 3.10                                                                  | 2.99 | 2.72 | 2.97                                     | 2.86 | 2.60 | 2.68                                     | 2.58 | 2.33 |
| 75 x 145                   | 3.72                                                                  | 3.58 | 3.27 | 3.56                                     | 3.43 | 3.13 | 3.22                                     | 3.09 | 2.81 |
| 75 x 170                   | 4.28                                                                  | 4.13 | 3.77 | 4.11                                     | 3.96 | 3.61 | 3.71                                     | 3.57 | 3.21 |
| 75 x 195                   | 4.83                                                                  | 4.70 | 4.31 | 4.68                                     | 4.52 | 4.13 | 4.24                                     | 4.08 | 3.65 |
| 75 x 220                   | 5.27                                                                  | 5.13 | 4.79 | 5.11                                     | 4.97 | 4.64 | 4.74                                     | 4.60 | 4.07 |
| CLS/ALS                    |                                                                       |      |      |                                          |      |      |                                          |      |      |
| 38 x 140                   | 2.84                                                                  | 2.73 | 2.40 | 2.72                                     | 2.59 | 2.17 | 2.33                                     | 2.15 | 1.75 |
| 38 x 184                   | 3.72                                                                  | 3.56 | 3.09 | 3.53                                     | 3.33 | 2.90 | 3.02                                     | 2.85 | 2.47 |
| 38 x 235                   | 4.71                                                                  | 4.46 | 3.89 | 4.43                                     | 4.18 | 3.64 | 3.80                                     | 3.59 | 3.11 |

**Table 4B.6 Maximum clear span of floor joists (m):  
Timber strength class C24**
**C24**

| Size of joist<br>(mm x mm) | Dead Load [kN/m <sup>2</sup> ] excluding the self weight of the joist |      |      |                                          |      |      |                                          |      |      |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|------|------|------------------------------------------|------|------|------------------------------------------|------|------|
|                            | Not more than 0.25                                                    |      |      | More than 0.25 but<br>not more than 0.50 |      |      | More than 0.50 but<br>not more than 1.25 |      |      |
|                            | Spacing of joists (mm)                                                |      |      |                                          |      |      |                                          |      |      |
|                            | 400                                                                   | 450  | 600  | 400                                      | 450  | 600  | 400                                      | 450  | 600  |
| 38 x 97                    | 1.94                                                                  | 1.83 | 1.59 | 1.84                                     | 1.74 | 1.51 | 1.64                                     | 1.55 | 1.36 |
| 38 x 120                   | 2.58                                                                  | 2.48 | 2.20 | 2.47                                     | 2.37 | 2.08 | 2.18                                     | 2.07 | 1.83 |
| 38 x 145                   | 3.10                                                                  | 2.98 | 2.71 | 2.97                                     | 2.85 | 2.59 | 2.67                                     | 2.56 | 2.31 |
| 38 x 170                   | 3.58                                                                  | 3.44 | 3.13 | 3.43                                     | 3.29 | 2.99 | 3.08                                     | 2.96 | 2.68 |
| 38 x 195                   | 4.10                                                                  | 3.94 | 3.58 | 3.92                                     | 3.77 | 3.42 | 3.53                                     | 3.39 | 3.07 |
| 38 x 220                   | 4.61                                                                  | 4.44 | 4.03 | 4.41                                     | 4.25 | 3.86 | 3.97                                     | 3.82 | 3.46 |
| 47 x 97                    | 2.14                                                                  | 2.03 | 1.76 | 2.03                                     | 1.92 | 1.68 | 1.80                                     | 1.71 | 1.50 |
| 47 x 120                   | 2.77                                                                  | 2.66 | 2.42 | 2.65                                     | 2.55 | 2.29 | 2.38                                     | 2.27 | 2.01 |
| 47 x 145                   | 3.33                                                                  | 3.20 | 2.91 | 3.19                                     | 3.06 | 2.78 | 2.87                                     | 2.75 | 2.50 |
| 47 x 170                   | 3.84                                                                  | 3.69 | 3.36 | 3.67                                     | 3.54 | 3.21 | 3.31                                     | 3.18 | 2.88 |
| 47 x 195                   | 4.39                                                                  | 4.22 | 3.85 | 4.20                                     | 4.05 | 3.68 | 3.79                                     | 3.64 | 3.30 |
| 47 x 220                   | 4.86                                                                  | 4.73 | 4.33 | 4.71                                     | 4.55 | 4.14 | 4.26                                     | 4.10 | 3.72 |
| 50 x 97                    | 2.20                                                                  | 2.09 | 1.82 | 2.08                                     | 1.98 | 1.73 | 1.84                                     | 1.75 | 1.54 |
| 50 x 120                   | 2.83                                                                  | 2.72 | 2.47 | 2.71                                     | 2.60 | 2.36 | 2.43                                     | 2.33 | 2.06 |
| 50 x 145                   | 3.39                                                                  | 3.27 | 2.97 | 3.25                                     | 3.13 | 2.84 | 2.93                                     | 2.81 | 2.55 |
| 50 x 170                   | 3.91                                                                  | 3.77 | 3.43 | 3.75                                     | 3.61 | 3.28 | 3.38                                     | 3.25 | 2.94 |
| 50 x 195                   | 4.47                                                                  | 4.31 | 3.92 | 4.29                                     | 4.13 | 3.75 | 3.86                                     | 3.72 | 3.37 |
| 50 x 220                   | 4.93                                                                  | 4.80 | 4.42 | 4.78                                     | 4.64 | 4.23 | 4.35                                     | 4.18 | 3.80 |
| 63 x 97                    | 2.43                                                                  | 2.32 | 2.03 | 2.31                                     | 2.19 | 1.93 | 2.03                                     | 1.93 | 1.71 |
| 63 x 120                   | 3.05                                                                  | 2.93 | 2.67 | 2.92                                     | 2.81 | 2.55 | 2.63                                     | 2.53 | 2.27 |
| 63 x 145                   | 3.67                                                                  | 3.52 | 3.21 | 3.50                                     | 3.37 | 3.07 | 3.16                                     | 3.04 | 2.76 |
| 63 x 170                   | 4.21                                                                  | 4.06 | 3.70 | 4.04                                     | 3.89 | 3.54 | 3.64                                     | 3.51 | 3.19 |
| 63 x 195                   | 4.77                                                                  | 4.64 | 4.23 | 4.61                                     | 4.45 | 4.05 | 4.17                                     | 4.01 | 3.65 |
| 63 x 220                   | 5.20                                                                  | 5.06 | 4.73 | 5.05                                     | 4.91 | 4.56 | 4.68                                     | 4.51 | 4.11 |
| 75 x 120                   | 3.22                                                                  | 3.10 | 2.83 | 3.09                                     | 2.97 | 2.71 | 2.78                                     | 2.68 | 2.43 |
| 75 x 145                   | 3.86                                                                  | 3.72 | 3.39 | 3.70                                     | 3.57 | 3.25 | 3.34                                     | 3.22 | 2.93 |
| 75 x 170                   | 4.45                                                                  | 4.29 | 3.91 | 4.27                                     | 4.11 | 3.75 | 3.86                                     | 3.71 | 3.38 |
| 75 x 195                   | 4.97                                                                  | 4.83 | 4.47 | 4.82                                     | 4.69 | 4.29 | 4.41                                     | 4.25 | 3.86 |
| 75 x 220                   | 5.42                                                                  | 5.27 | 4.93 | 5.25                                     | 5.11 | 4.78 | 4.88                                     | 4.74 | 4.35 |
| CLS/ALS                    |                                                                       |      |      |                                          |      |      |                                          |      |      |
| 38 x 140                   | 2.96                                                                  | 2.84 | 2.58 | 2.83                                     | 2.72 | 2.47 | 2.54                                     | 2.44 | 2.17 |
| 38 x 184                   | 3.87                                                                  | 3.72 | 3.38 | 3.70                                     | 3.56 | 3.23 | 3.33                                     | 3.20 | 2.90 |
| 38 x 235                   | 4.85                                                                  | 4.71 | 4.31 | 4.70                                     | 4.54 | 4.12 | 4.24                                     | 4.08 | 3.70 |

## Ceiling joists and binders supporting ceiling joists

4B.12 Tables 4B.7 to 4B.10 give the maximum clear span of a ceiling joist and the timber binder that provides support to the ceiling joists using timber strength class C16 and C24. See also Diagram 4B.4.

The sizes, spacings and spans given will safely support the dead loads stated in the tables, together with a maximum imposed load of 0.25 kN/m<sup>2</sup> and a concentrated load of 0.9 kN acting together.

In calculating the ceiling joist sizes for these tables no account has been taken of trimming around items such as flues or the additional load of such things as water tanks.

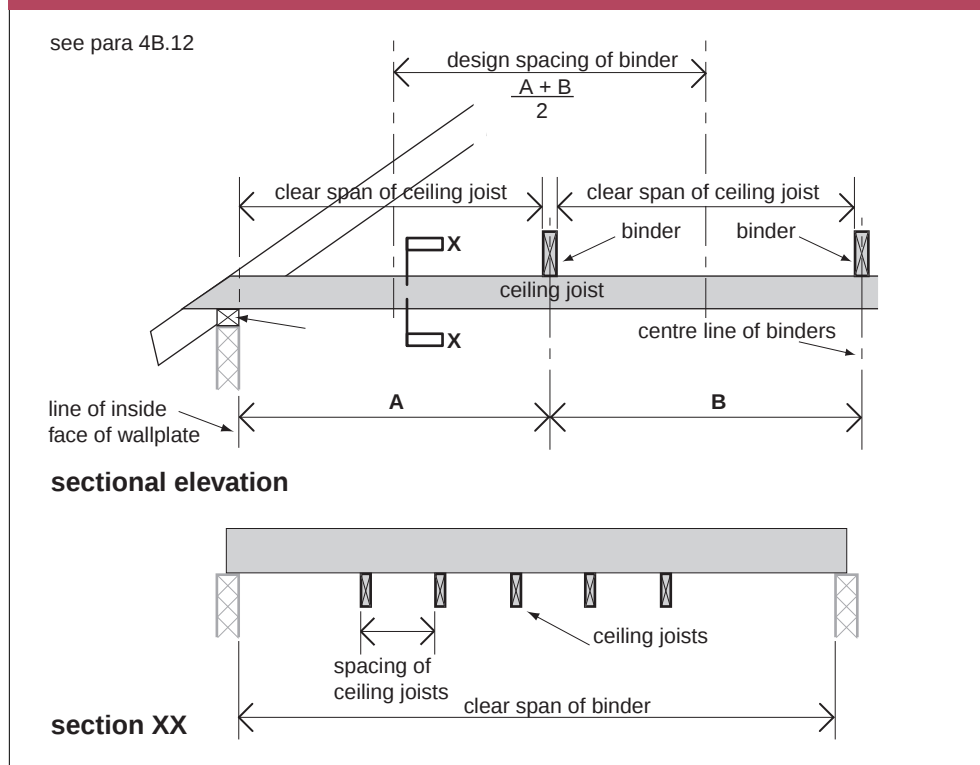
Notching or drilling of a binder or ceiling joist should not be carried out unless justified by specialist calculation.

In the tables for ceiling joists the permissible clear spans are for ceiling joists simply supported between binders or a binder and the wallplate. However, in the tables for binders, the permissible clear spans are based on the assumption that the ceiling joists can be continuous.

The section sizes are either sawn across the timber thickness in accordance with tolerance class 1 of BS EN 336 and processed in accordance with tolerance class 2 of BS EN 336 across the timber width (joist depth), or are CLS/ALS processed sizes in accordance with tolerance class 2, to provide level surfaces for ease of ceiling lining and the fixing of structural decking.

The size of ceiling joists and binders are limited generally to those where the depth-to-thickness ratio is not greater than 4 unless lateral support is provided in accordance with BS 5268: Part 2.

**Diagram 4B.4 Ceiling joists and binders supporting ceiling joists**



**Table 4B.7 Maximum clear span of ceiling joists (m)**  
**Timber strength class C16**
**C16**

| Dead Load [kN/m <sup>2</sup> ] excluding the self weight of the joist |                        |      |      |                                       |      |      |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|------|------|---------------------------------------|------|------|
| Size of joist<br>(mm)                                                 | Not more than 0.25     |      |      | More than 0.25 but not more than 0.50 |      |      |
|                                                                       | Spacing of joists (mm) |      |      |                                       |      |      |
|                                                                       | 400                    | 450  | 600  | 400                                   | 450  | 600  |
| 38 x 72                                                               | 1.15                   | 1.14 | 1.11 | 1.11                                  | 1.10 | 1.06 |
| 38 x 97                                                               | 1.74                   | 1.72 | 1.67 | 1.67                                  | 1.64 | 1.58 |
| 38 x 120                                                              | 2.37                   | 2.34 | 2.25 | 2.25                                  | 2.21 | 2.11 |
| 38 x 145                                                              | 3.02                   | 2.97 | 2.85 | 2.85                                  | 2.80 | 2.66 |
| 38 x 170                                                              | 3.63                   | 3.57 | 3.41 | 3.41                                  | 3.34 | 3.16 |
| 38 x 195                                                              | 4.30                   | 4.23 | 4.02 | 4.02                                  | 3.94 | 3.72 |
| 38 x 220                                                              | 4.98                   | 4.88 | 4.64 | 4.64                                  | 4.54 | 4.27 |
| 47 x 72                                                               | 1.27                   | 1.26 | 1.23 | 1.23                                  | 1.21 | 1.17 |
| 47 x 97                                                               | 1.92                   | 1.90 | 1.84 | 1.84                                  | 1.81 | 1.73 |
| 47 x 120                                                              | 2.60                   | 2.57 | 2.47 | 2.47                                  | 2.42 | 2.31 |
| 47 x 145                                                              | 3.30                   | 3.25 | 3.11 | 3.11                                  | 3.05 | 2.90 |
| 47 x 170                                                              | 3.96                   | 3.89 | 3.72 | 3.72                                  | 3.64 | 3.44 |
| 47 x 195                                                              | 4.68                   | 4.59 | 4.37 | 4.37                                  | 4.28 | 4.04 |
| 47 x 220                                                              | 5.39                   | 5.29 | 5.03 | 5.03                                  | 4.91 | 4.63 |
| 50 x 72                                                               | 1.31                   | 1.30 | 1.27 | 1.27                                  | 1.25 | 1.21 |
| 50 x 97                                                               | 1.97                   | 1.95 | 1.89 | 1.89                                  | 1.86 | 1.78 |
| 50 x 120                                                              | 2.67                   | 2.63 | 2.53 | 2.53                                  | 2.49 | 2.37 |
| 50 x 145                                                              | 3.39                   | 3.34 | 3.19 | 3.19                                  | 3.13 | 2.97 |
| 50 x 170                                                              | 4.06                   | 3.99 | 3.81 | 3.81                                  | 3.73 | 3.53 |
| 50 x 195                                                              | 4.79                   | 4.70 | 4.48 | 4.48                                  | 4.38 | 4.13 |
| 50 x 220                                                              | 5.52                   | 5.41 | 5.14 | 5.14                                  | 5.03 | 4.73 |
| CLS/ALS                                                               |                        |      |      |                                       |      |      |
| 38 x 89                                                               | 1.54                   | 1.53 | 1.48 | 1.48                                  | 1.46 | 1.41 |
| 38 x 140                                                              | 2.84                   | 2.79 | 2.68 | 2.68                                  | 2.63 | 2.50 |
| 38 x 184                                                              | 4.01                   | 3.94 | 3.75 | 3.75                                  | 3.68 | 3.47 |

**Table 4B.8 Maximum clear span of binders (m):**  
**Timber strength class C16**
**C16**

| Dead Load [kN/m <sup>2</sup> ] excluding the self weight of the binder |                                |      |      |      |      |      |                                       |      |      |      |      |      |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|---------------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Size of binder<br>(mm)                                                 | Not more than 0.25             |      |      |      |      |      | More than 0.25 but not more than 0.50 |      |      |      |      |      |
|                                                                        | Design spacing of binders (mm) |      |      |      |      |      |                                       |      |      |      |      |      |
|                                                                        | 1200                           | 1500 | 1800 | 2100 | 2400 | 2700 | 1200                                  | 1500 | 1800 | 2100 | 2400 | 2700 |
| 47 x 150                                                               | 2.17                           | 2.05 | 1.96 | 1.88 | 1.81 | -    | 1.99                                  | 1.87 | -    | -    | -    | -    |
| 47 x 175                                                               | 2.59                           | 2.45 | 2.33 | 2.24 | 2.15 | 2.08 | 2.37                                  | 2.23 | 2.11 | 2.02 | 1.94 | 1.87 |
| 50 x 150                                                               | 2.22                           | 2.11 | 2.01 | 1.93 | 1.86 | -    | 2.04                                  | 1.92 | 1.83 | -    | -    | -    |
| 50 x 175                                                               | 2.65                           | 2.51 | 2.39 | 2.29 | 2.21 | 2.13 | 2.42                                  | 2.28 | 2.16 | 2.07 | 1.99 | 1.91 |
| 50 x 200                                                               | 3.08                           | 2.91 | 2.77 | 2.65 | 2.55 | 2.47 | 2.81                                  | 2.64 | 2.50 | 2.39 | 2.29 | 2.21 |
| 63 x 125                                                               | 1.97                           | 1.87 | -    | -    | -    | -    | 1.82                                  | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    |
| 63 x 150                                                               | 2.44                           | 2.31 | 2.20 | 2.12 | 2.04 | 1.97 | 2.23                                  | 2.11 | 2.00 | 1.91 | 1.84 | -    |
| 63 x 175                                                               | 2.90                           | 2.74 | 2.61 | 2.51 | 2.41 | 2.33 | 2.65                                  | 2.49 | 2.37 | 2.26 | 2.17 | 2.10 |
| 63 x 200                                                               | 3.37                           | 3.18 | 3.03 | 2.90 | 2.79 | 2.69 | 3.07                                  | 2.88 | 2.74 | 2.61 | 2.51 | 2.42 |
| 63 x 225                                                               | 3.83                           | 3.61 | 3.44 | 3.29 | 3.16 | 3.05 | 3.49                                  | 3.27 | 3.10 | 2.96 | 2.84 | 2.74 |
| 75 x 125                                                               | 2.12                           | 2.01 | 1.92 | 1.85 | -    | -    | 1.95                                  | 1.84 | -    | -    | -    | -    |
| 75 x 150                                                               | 2.61                           | 2.47 | 2.36 | 2.26 | 2.18 | 2.11 | 2.39                                  | 2.25 | 2.14 | 2.05 | 1.97 | 1.90 |
| 75 x 175                                                               | 3.10                           | 2.93 | 2.79 | 2.68 | 2.58 | 2.49 | 2.83                                  | 2.66 | 2.53 | 2.42 | 2.32 | 2.24 |
| 75 x 200                                                               | 3.59                           | 3.39 | 3.23 | 3.09 | 2.98 | 2.88 | 3.27                                  | 3.08 | 2.92 | 2.79 | 2.68 | 2.58 |
| 75 x 225                                                               | 4.08                           | 3.85 | 3.66 | 3.51 | 3.37 | 3.26 | 3.71                                  | 3.50 | 3.31 | 3.16 | 3.03 | 2.92 |

**Table 4B.9 Maximum clear span of ceiling joists (m):  
Timber strength class C24**

**C24**

| Dead Load [kN/m <sup>2</sup> ] excluding the self weight of the joist |                        |      |      |                                       |      |      |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|------|------|---------------------------------------|------|------|
| Size of joist<br>(mm)                                                 | Not more than 0.25     |      |      | More than 0.25 but not more than 0.50 |      |      |
|                                                                       | Spacing of joists (mm) |      |      |                                       |      |      |
|                                                                       | 400                    | 450  | 600  | 400                                   | 450  | 600  |
| 38 x 72                                                               | 1.21                   | 1.20 | 1.17 | 1.17                                  | 1.16 | 1.12 |
| 38 x 97                                                               | 1.84                   | 1.82 | 1.76 | 1.76                                  | 1.73 | 1.66 |
| 38 x 120                                                              | 2.50                   | 2.46 | 2.37 | 2.37                                  | 2.33 | 2.22 |
| 38 x 145                                                              | 3.18                   | 3.13 | 3.00 | 3.00                                  | 2.94 | 2.79 |
| 38 x 170                                                              | 3.81                   | 3.75 | 3.58 | 3.58                                  | 3.51 | 3.32 |
| 38 x 195                                                              | 4.51                   | 4.43 | 4.22 | 4.22                                  | 4.13 | 3.89 |
| 38 x 220                                                              | 5.21                   | 5.11 | 4.86 | 4.86                                  | 4.75 | 4.47 |
| 47 x 72                                                               | 1.35                   | 1.33 | 1.30 | 1.30                                  | 1.28 | 1.24 |
| 47 x 97                                                               | 2.03                   | 2.00 | 1.93 | 1.93                                  | 1.90 | 1.83 |
| 47 x 120                                                              | 2.74                   | 2.70 | 2.60 | 2.60                                  | 2.55 | 2.43 |
| 47 x 145                                                              | 3.47                   | 3.42 | 3.27 | 3.27                                  | 3.21 | 3.04 |
| 47 x 170                                                              | 4.15                   | 4.08 | 3.89 | 3.89                                  | 3.81 | 3.61 |
| 47 x 195                                                              | 4.90                   | 4.81 | 4.57 | 4.57                                  | 4.47 | 4.22 |
| 47 x 220                                                              | 5.64                   | 5.53 | 5.25 | 5.25                                  | 5.14 | 4.84 |
| 50 x 72                                                               | 1.39                   | 1.37 | 1.34 | 1.34                                  | 1.32 | 1.28 |
| 50 x 97                                                               | 2.08                   | 2.06 | 1.99 | 1.99                                  | 1.96 | 1.88 |
| 50 x 120                                                              | 2.81                   | 2.77 | 2.66 | 2.66                                  | 2.62 | 2.49 |
| 50 x 145                                                              | 3.56                   | 3.50 | 3.35 | 3.35                                  | 3.29 | 3.12 |
| 50 x 170                                                              | 4.25                   | 4.18 | 3.99 | 3.99                                  | 3.91 | 3.69 |
| 50 x 195                                                              | 5.01                   | 4.92 | 4.68 | 4.68                                  | 4.58 | 4.32 |
| 50 x 220                                                              | 5.77                   | 5.66 | 5.37 | 5.37                                  | 5.25 | 4.95 |
| CLS/ALS                                                               |                        |      |      |                                       |      |      |
| 38 x 89                                                               | 1.63                   | 1.62 | 1.57 | 1.57                                  | 1.55 | 1.49 |
| 38 x 140                                                              | 2.99                   | 2.94 | 2.82 | 2.82                                  | 2.77 | 2.63 |
| 38 x 184                                                              | 4.20                   | 4.13 | 3.94 | 3.94                                  | 3.85 | 3.64 |

**Table 4B.10 Maximum clear span of binders (m):  
Timber strength class C24**

**C24**

| Dead Load [kN/m <sup>2</sup> ] excluding the self weight of the binder |                                |      |      |      |      |      |                                       |      |      |      |      |      |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|---------------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Size of binder<br>(mm)                                                 | Not more than 0.25             |      |      |      |      |      | More than 0.25 but not more than 0.50 |      |      |      |      |      |
|                                                                        | Design spacing of binders (mm) |      |      |      |      |      |                                       |      |      |      |      |      |
|                                                                        | 1200                           | 1500 | 1800 | 2100 | 2400 | 2700 | 1200                                  | 1500 | 1800 | 2100 | 2400 | 2700 |
| 47 x 150                                                               | 2.28                           | 2.16 | 2.06 | 1.98 | 1.90 | 1.84 | 2.09                                  | 1.97 | 1.87 | -    | -    | -    |
| 47 x 175                                                               | 2.72                           | 2.57 | 2.45 | 2.34 | 2.26 | 2.18 | 2.48                                  | 2.34 | 2.22 | 2.12 | 2.03 | 1.96 |
| 50 x 150                                                               | 2.33                           | 2.21 | 2.11 | 2.02 | 1.95 | 1.89 | 2.14                                  | 2.02 | 1.92 | 1.83 | -    | -    |
| 50 x 175                                                               | 2.78                           | 2.63 | 2.51 | 2.40 | 2.31 | 2.23 | 2.54                                  | 2.39 | 2.27 | 2.17 | 2.08 | 2.01 |
| 50 x 200                                                               | 3.23                           | 3.05 | 2.90 | 2.78 | 2.67 | 2.58 | 2.95                                  | 2.77 | 2.62 | 2.51 | 2.40 | 2.32 |
| 63 x 125                                                               | 2.07                           | 1.97 | 1.88 | 1.81 | -    | -    | 1.91                                  | 1.80 | -    | -    | -    | -    |
| 63 x 150                                                               | 2.56                           | 2.42 | 2.31 | 2.22 | 2.14 | 2.07 | 2.34                                  | 2.21 | 2.10 | 2.01 | 1.93 | 1.86 |
| 63 x 175                                                               | 3.04                           | 2.87 | 2.74 | 2.62 | 2.53 | 2.44 | 2.78                                  | 2.61 | 2.48 | 2.37 | 2.28 | 2.20 |
| 63 x 200                                                               | 3.52                           | 3.32 | 3.16 | 3.03 | 2.92 | 2.82 | 3.21                                  | 3.02 | 2.86 | 2.73 | 2.63 | 2.53 |
| 63 x 225                                                               | 4.00                           | 3.77 | 3.59 | 3.44 | 3.31 | 3.19 | 3.65                                  | 3.42 | 3.24 | 3.10 | 2.97 | 2.86 |
| 75 x 125                                                               | 2.22                           | 2.11 | 2.01 | 1.94 | 1.87 | 1.81 | 2.04                                  | 1.93 | 1.84 | -    | -    | -    |
| 75 x 150                                                               | 2.73                           | 2.59 | 2.47 | 2.37 | 2.28 | 2.21 | 2.50                                  | 2.36 | 2.24 | 2.15 | 2.06 | 1.99 |
| 75 x 175                                                               | 3.24                           | 3.07 | 2.92 | 2.80 | 2.70 | 2.61 | 2.96                                  | 2.79 | 2.65 | 2.53 | 2.43 | 2.35 |
| 75 x 200                                                               | 3.75                           | 3.54 | 3.37 | 3.23 | 3.11 | 3.00 | 3.42                                  | 3.22 | 3.05 | 2.92 | 2.80 | 2.70 |
| 75 x 225                                                               | 4.26                           | 4.02 | 3.82 | 3.66 | 3.52 | 3.40 | 3.88                                  | 3.65 | 3.46 | 3.30 | 3.17 | 3.06 |

## Rafters and purlins supporting rafters

4B.13 Tables 4B.11 to 4B.34 give the maximum clear span of common or jack rafters and the purlins that provide support to the common or jack rafters using timber strength class C16 and C24.

The sizes, spacings and spans given will safely support the dead loads stated in the tables, together with a maximum imposed load of  $0.75 \text{ kN/m}^2$  or  $1.00 \text{ kN/m}^2$  or a concentrated load of  $0.9 \text{ kN}$ .

The tables are presented in sets to cover a range of roof pitch from  $15^\circ$  to  $45^\circ$  for each load combination and strength class of timber.

In calculating the rafter sizes for these tables no account has been taken of permitted reduction to the imposed loads for a pitch greater than  $30^\circ$ , as recommended in BS 6399: Part 3. This is because the members have been sized assuming a pitch of  $30^\circ$  as being the most onerous for the pitch range  $30^\circ$  to  $45^\circ$ .

When the dimensions A and B in Diagram 4B.5 are not equal the rafter should be sized for the greater dimension. Where the purlin is continuous over an intermediate support and the spans are not equal the purlin should be sized for the longest span.

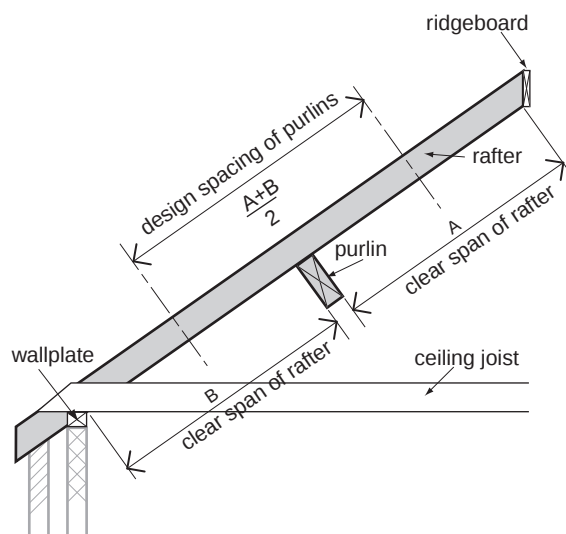
In the tables for rafters, the permissible clear spans are for rafters simply supported between a purlin and wallplate or between a purlin and the ridgeboard. However, in the tables for purlins, the permissible clear spans are based on the assumption that the rafters are to be continuous.

Notching or drilling of a rafter or purlin should not be carried out unless justified by a specialist calculation. This does not apply to the birdsmouthing of a rafter to a depth not greater than one third of the depth of the rafter.

The section sizes given in the tables are either sawn in accordance with tolerance class 1 of BS EN 336, or are CLS/ALS processed sizes in accordance with tolerance class 2 of BS EN 336.

**Diagram 4B.5 Typical rafter and purlin arrangement**

see para 4B.13



**Notes:**

the minimum bearing length for supports should be 35 mm for rafters and 50 mm for purlins

the spacing of rafters is the dimension between their centre lines

the tables are applicable to purlins installed perpendicular to the roof slope, whereby any horizontal thrust sustained by the rafters is restrained by the ceiling joists, or by other means

**Table 4B.11 Maximum clear span of rafters (m); Roof pitch more than 15° but not more than 22.5°; Imposed load of 0.75 kN/m<sup>2</sup>; Timber strength class C16**

**C16**

| Dead Load [kN/m <sup>2</sup> ] excluding the self weight of the rafter |                         |      |      |                                          |      |      |                                          |      |      |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|------|------|------------------------------------------|------|------|------------------------------------------|------|------|
| Size of rafter<br>(mm)                                                 | Not more than 0.50      |      |      | More than 0.50 but<br>not more than 0.75 |      |      | More than 0.75 but<br>not more than 1.00 |      |      |
|                                                                        | Spacing of rafters (mm) |      |      |                                          |      |      |                                          |      |      |
|                                                                        | 400                     | 450  | 600  | 400                                      | 450  | 600  | 400                                      | 450  | 600  |
| 38 x 100                                                               | 2.10                    | 2.05 | 1.93 | 1.93                                     | 1.88 | 1.75 | 1.80                                     | 1.75 | 1.61 |
| 38 x 125                                                               | 2.89                    | 2.79 | 2.53 | 2.63                                     | 2.55 | 2.34 | 2.44                                     | 2.35 | 2.15 |
| 38 x 150                                                               | 3.47                    | 3.34 | 3.03 | 3.26                                     | 3.14 | 2.78 | 3.08                                     | 2.96 | 2.57 |
| 47 x 100                                                               | 2.46                    | 2.40 | 2.18 | 2.25                                     | 2.19 | 2.03 | 2.10                                     | 2.03 | 1.87 |
| 47 x 125                                                               | 3.10                    | 2.99 | 2.72 | 2.92                                     | 2.81 | 2.56 | 2.78                                     | 2.67 | 2.41 |
| 47 x 150                                                               | 3.71                    | 3.57 | 3.25 | 3.50                                     | 3.36 | 3.06 | 3.32                                     | 3.20 | 2.86 |
| 50 x 100                                                               | 2.54                    | 2.45 | 2.23 | 2.35                                     | 2.29 | 2.09 | 2.19                                     | 2.12 | 1.95 |
| 50 x 125                                                               | 3.17                    | 3.05 | 2.78 | 2.98                                     | 2.87 | 2.61 | 2.83                                     | 2.73 | 2.48 |
| 50 x 150                                                               | 3.78                    | 3.64 | 3.32 | 3.57                                     | 3.43 | 3.12 | 3.39                                     | 3.26 | 2.94 |
| CLS/ALS                                                                |                         |      |      |                                          |      |      |                                          |      |      |
| 38 x 89                                                                | 1.76                    | 1.72 | 1.63 | 1.63                                     | 1.59 | 1.49 | 1.53                                     | 1.49 | 1.38 |
| 38 x 140                                                               | 3.24                    | 3.12 | 2.83 | 3.05                                     | 2.93 | 2.61 | 2.82                                     | 2.72 | 2.41 |

**Table 4B.12 Maximum clear span of purlins supporting rafters (m); Roof pitch more than 15° but not more than 22.5°; Imposed load of 0.75 kN/m<sup>2</sup>; Timber strength class C16**

**C16**

| Dead Load [kN/m <sup>2</sup> ] excluding the self weight of the purlin |                                |      |      |      |      |      |                                          |      |      |      |      |      |                                          |      |      |      |      |      |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------------------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------------------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Size of purlin<br>(mm)                                                 | Not more than 0.50             |      |      |      |      |      | More than 0.50 but<br>not more than 0.75 |      |      |      |      |      | More than 0.75 but<br>not more than 1.00 |      |      |      |      |      |
|                                                                        | Design spacing of purlins (mm) |      |      |      |      |      |                                          |      |      |      |      |      |                                          |      |      |      |      |      |
|                                                                        | 1500                           | 1800 | 2100 | 2400 | 2700 | 3000 | 1500                                     | 1800 | 2100 | 2400 | 2700 | 3000 | 1500                                     | 1800 | 2100 | 2400 | 2700 | 3000 |
| 47 x 150                                                               | 1.86                           | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -                                        | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -                                        | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    |
| 47 x 175                                                               | 2.17                           | 2.03 | 1.92 | 1.82 | -    | -    | 2.04                                     | 1.90 | -    | -    | -    | -    | 1.93                                     | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    |
| 47 x 200                                                               | 2.48                           | 2.32 | 2.19 | 2.08 | 1.96 | 1.86 | 2.32                                     | 2.17 | 2.04 | 1.90 | -    | -    | 2.20                                     | 2.05 | 1.89 | -    | -    | -    |
| 47 x 225                                                               | 2.78                           | 2.60 | 2.46 | 2.33 | 2.19 | 2.07 | 2.61                                     | 2.44 | 2.28 | 2.13 | 2.00 | 1.89 | 2.47                                     | 2.28 | 2.11 | 1.97 | 1.85 | -    |
| 63 x 150                                                               | 2.06                           | 1.94 | 1.83 | -    | -    | -    | 1.94                                     | 1.82 | -    | -    | -    | -    | 1.84                                     | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    |
| 63 x 175                                                               | 2.41                           | 2.26 | 2.13 | 2.03 | 1.95 | 1.87 | 2.26                                     | 2.12 | 2.00 | 1.91 | 1.82 | -    | 2.14                                     | 2.01 | 1.90 | 1.80 | -    | -    |
| 63 x 200                                                               | 2.75                           | 2.58 | 2.44 | 2.32 | 2.22 | 2.14 | 2.58                                     | 2.42 | 2.29 | 2.18 | 2.08 | 1.97 | 2.45                                     | 2.29 | 2.16 | 2.05 | 1.93 | 1.83 |
| 63 x 225                                                               | 3.09                           | 2.89 | 2.74 | 2.61 | 2.50 | 2.40 | 2.90                                     | 2.72 | 2.57 | 2.45 | 2.33 | 2.20 | 2.75                                     | 2.58 | 2.43 | 2.29 | 2.16 | 2.04 |
| 75 x 125                                                               | 1.83                           | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -                                        | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -                                        | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    |
| 75 x 150                                                               | 2.19                           | 2.06 | 1.95 | 1.86 | -    | -    | 2.06                                     | 1.94 | 1.83 | -    | -    | -    | 1.96                                     | 1.83 | -    | -    | -    | -    |
| 75 x 175                                                               | 2.56                           | 2.40 | 2.27 | 2.17 | 2.08 | 2.00 | 2.41                                     | 2.26 | 2.13 | 2.03 | 1.95 | 1.87 | 2.28                                     | 2.14 | 2.02 | 1.92 | 1.84 | -    |
| 75 x 200                                                               | 2.92                           | 2.74 | 2.59 | 2.47 | 2.37 | 2.28 | 2.75                                     | 2.58 | 2.44 | 2.32 | 2.22 | 2.14 | 2.61                                     | 2.44 | 2.31 | 2.20 | 2.10 | 2.00 |
| 75 x 225                                                               | 3.28                           | 3.08 | 2.91 | 2.78 | 2.66 | 2.56 | 3.09                                     | 2.89 | 2.74 | 2.61 | 2.50 | 2.40 | 2.93                                     | 2.74 | 2.60 | 2.47 | 2.36 | 2.23 |
| 2 x 47 x 200                                                           | 3.30                           | 3.10 | 2.94 | 2.81 | 2.69 | 2.60 | 3.11                                     | 2.92 | 2.77 | 2.64 | 2.53 | 2.44 | 2.96                                     | 2.77 | 2.63 | 2.50 | 2.40 | 2.31 |
| 2 x 47 x 225                                                           | 3.71                           | 3.49 | 3.31 | 3.16 | 3.03 | 2.92 | 3.49                                     | 3.28 | 3.11 | 2.97 | 2.85 | 2.74 | 3.32                                     | 3.12 | 2.95 | 2.82 | 2.70 | 2.60 |
| 2 x 47 x 250                                                           | 4.11                           | 3.87 | 3.67 | 3.50 | 3.36 | 3.24 | 3.88                                     | 3.64 | 3.45 | 3.29 | 3.16 | 3.04 | 3.69                                     | 3.46 | 3.28 | 3.13 | 3.00 | 2.88 |
| 2 x 47 x 275                                                           | 4.52                           | 4.25 | 4.03 | 3.85 | 3.69 | 3.56 | 4.26                                     | 4.00 | 3.79 | 3.62 | 3.47 | 3.34 | 4.05                                     | 3.80 | 3.60 | 3.44 | 3.29 | 3.17 |
| 2 x 47 x 300                                                           | 4.92                           | 4.63 | 4.39 | 4.19 | 4.03 | 3.88 | 4.64                                     | 4.36 | 4.14 | 3.95 | 3.79 | 3.65 | 4.41                                     | 4.14 | 3.93 | 3.74 | 3.59 | 3.45 |

**Table 4B.13 Maximum clear span of rafters (m); Roof pitch more than 15° but not more than 22.5°; Imposed load of 0.75 kN/m<sup>2</sup>; Timber strength class C24**

**C24**

| Dead Load [kN/m <sup>2</sup> ] excluding the self weight of the rafter |                         |      |      |                                          |      |      |                                          |      |      |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|------|------|------------------------------------------|------|------|------------------------------------------|------|------|
| Size of rafter<br>(mm)                                                 | Not more than 0.50      |      |      | More than 0.50 but<br>not more than 0.75 |      |      | More than 0.75 but<br>not more than 1.00 |      |      |
|                                                                        | Spacing of rafters (mm) |      |      |                                          |      |      |                                          |      |      |
|                                                                        | 400                     | 450  | 600  | 400                                      | 450  | 600  | 400                                      | 450  | 600  |
| 38 x 100                                                               | 2.42                    | 2.33 | 2.11 | 2.28                                     | 2.19 | 1.99 | 2.16                                     | 2.08 | 1.88 |
| 38 x 125                                                               | 3.01                    | 2.90 | 2.64 | 2.83                                     | 2.73 | 2.48 | 2.69                                     | 2.59 | 2.35 |
| 38 x 150                                                               | 3.60                    | 3.47 | 3.16 | 3.39                                     | 3.26 | 2.97 | 3.22                                     | 3.10 | 2.82 |
| 47 x 100                                                               | 2.59                    | 2.49 | 2.27 | 2.44                                     | 2.35 | 2.13 | 2.32                                     | 2.23 | 2.02 |
| 47 x 125                                                               | 3.22                    | 3.11 | 2.83 | 3.04                                     | 2.92 | 2.66 | 2.89                                     | 2.78 | 2.53 |
| 47 x 150                                                               | 3.85                    | 3.71 | 3.38 | 3.63                                     | 3.50 | 3.18 | 3.45                                     | 3.32 | 3.02 |
| 50 x 100                                                               | 2.64                    | 2.54 | 2.32 | 2.49                                     | 2.40 | 2.18 | 2.37                                     | 2.28 | 2.07 |
| 50 x 125                                                               | 3.29                    | 3.17 | 2.89 | 3.10                                     | 2.98 | 2.72 | 2.95                                     | 2.83 | 2.58 |
| 50 x 150                                                               | 3.93                    | 3.78 | 3.45 | 3.70                                     | 3.57 | 3.25 | 3.52                                     | 3.39 | 3.09 |
| CLS/ALS                                                                |                         |      |      |                                          |      |      |                                          |      |      |
| 38 x 89                                                                | 2.16                    | 2.07 | 1.88 | 2.03                                     | 1.95 | 1.77 | 1.92                                     | 1.85 | 1.68 |
| 38 x 140                                                               | 3.37                    | 3.24 | 2.95 | 3.17                                     | 3.05 | 2.77 | 3.01                                     | 2.90 | 2.63 |

**Table 4B.14 Maximum clear span of purlins supporting rafters (m); Roof pitch more than 15° but not more than 22.5°; Imposed load of 0.75 kN/m<sup>2</sup>; Timber strength class C24**

**C24**

| Dead Load [kN/m <sup>2</sup> ] excluding the self weight of the purlin |                                |      |      |      |      |      |                                          |      |      |      |      |      |                                          |      |      |      |      |      |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------------------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------------------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Size of purlin<br>(mm)                                                 | Not more than 0.50             |      |      |      |      |      | More than 0.50 but<br>not more than 0.75 |      |      |      |      |      | More than 0.75 but<br>not more than 1.00 |      |      |      |      |      |
|                                                                        | Design spacing of purlins (mm) |      |      |      |      |      |                                          |      |      |      |      |      |                                          |      |      |      |      |      |
|                                                                        | 1500                           | 1800 | 2100 | 2400 | 2700 | 3000 | 1500                                     | 1800 | 2100 | 2400 | 2700 | 3000 | 1500                                     | 1800 | 2100 | 2400 | 2700 | 3000 |
| 47 x 150                                                               | 1.94                           | 1.82 | -    | -    | -    | -    | -                                        | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -                                        | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    |
| 47 x 175                                                               | 2.27                           | 2.12 | 2.01 | 1.91 | 1.83 | -    | 2.13                                     | 1.99 | 1.88 | -    | -    | -    | 2.02                                     | 1.89 | -    | -    | -    | -    |
| 47 x 200                                                               | 2.59                           | 2.42 | 2.29 | 2.18 | 2.09 | 2.00 | 2.43                                     | 2.27 | 2.15 | 2.04 | 1.95 | 1.87 | 2.30                                     | 2.15 | 2.03 | 1.93 | 1.81 | -    |
| 47 x 225                                                               | 2.91                           | 2.72 | 2.58 | 2.45 | 2.35 | 2.25 | 2.73                                     | 2.56 | 2.42 | 2.30 | 2.20 | 2.11 | 2.59                                     | 2.42 | 2.28 | 2.17 | 2.03 | 1.82 |
| 63 x 150                                                               | 2.16                           | 2.02 | 1.91 | 1.82 | -    | -    | 2.03                                     | 1.90 | -    | -    | -    | -    | 1.92                                     | 1.80 | -    | -    | -    | -    |
| 63 x 175                                                               | 2.51                           | 2.36 | 2.23 | 2.13 | 2.04 | 1.96 | 2.36                                     | 2.22 | 2.10 | 2.00 | 1.91 | 1.84 | 2.24                                     | 2.10 | 1.99 | 1.89 | 1.81 | -    |
| 63 x 200                                                               | 2.87                           | 2.69 | 2.55 | 2.43 | 2.33 | 2.24 | 2.70                                     | 2.53 | 2.39 | 2.28 | 2.18 | 2.10 | 2.56                                     | 2.40 | 2.27 | 2.16 | 2.06 | 1.98 |
| 63 x 225                                                               | 3.22                           | 3.02 | 2.86 | 2.73 | 2.61 | 2.52 | 3.03                                     | 2.84 | 2.69 | 2.56 | 2.45 | 2.36 | 2.88                                     | 2.70 | 2.55 | 2.43 | 2.32 | 2.23 |
| 75 x 125                                                               | 1.91                           | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -                                        | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -                                        | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    |
| 75 x 150                                                               | 2.29                           | 2.15 | 2.04 | 1.94 | 1.86 | -    | 2.16                                     | 2.02 | 1.91 | 1.82 | -    | -    | 2.05                                     | 1.92 | 1.82 | -    | -    | -    |
| 75 x 175                                                               | 2.67                           | 2.51 | 2.37 | 2.26 | 2.17 | 2.09 | 2.51                                     | 2.36 | 2.23 | 2.13 | 2.04 | 1.96 | 2.39                                     | 2.24 | 2.12 | 2.02 | 1.93 | 1.85 |
| 75 x 200                                                               | 3.05                           | 2.86 | 2.71 | 2.58 | 2.48 | 2.39 | 2.87                                     | 2.69 | 2.55 | 2.43 | 2.33 | 2.24 | 2.72                                     | 2.55 | 2.42 | 2.30 | 2.20 | 2.12 |
| 75 x 225                                                               | 3.42                           | 3.21 | 3.04 | 2.90 | 2.78 | 2.68 | 3.22                                     | 3.02 | 2.86 | 2.73 | 2.62 | 2.52 | 3.06                                     | 2.87 | 2.72 | 2.59 | 2.48 | 2.38 |
| 2 x 47 x 200                                                           | 3.44                           | 3.24 | 3.07 | 2.93 | 2.81 | 2.71 | 3.25                                     | 3.05 | 2.89 | 2.76 | 2.65 | 2.55 | 3.09                                     | 2.90 | 2.75 | 2.62 | 2.51 | 2.42 |
| 2 x 47 x 225                                                           | 3.86                           | 3.64 | 3.45 | 3.29 | 3.16 | 3.05 | 3.65                                     | 3.43 | 3.25 | 3.10 | 2.98 | 2.87 | 3.47                                     | 3.26 | 3.09 | 2.94 | 2.82 | 2.72 |
| 2 x 47 x 250                                                           | 4.29                           | 4.03 | 3.83 | 3.66 | 3.51 | 3.38 | 4.05                                     | 3.80 | 3.61 | 3.44 | 3.30 | 3.18 | 3.85                                     | 3.61 | 3.43 | 3.27 | 3.13 | 3.02 |
| 2 x 47 x 275                                                           | 4.71                           | 4.43 | 4.20 | 4.02 | 3.86 | 3.72 | 4.44                                     | 4.18 | 3.96 | 3.78 | 3.63 | 3.50 | 4.23                                     | 3.97 | 3.76 | 3.59 | 3.44 | 3.32 |
| 2 x 47 x 300                                                           | 5.12                           | 4.82 | 4.58 | 4.38 | 4.20 | 4.05 | 4.84                                     | 4.55 | 4.32 | 4.12 | 3.96 | 3.81 | 4.60                                     | 4.33 | 4.10 | 3.91 | 3.75 | 3.62 |

**Table 4B.15 Maximum clear span of rafters (m); Roof pitch more than 15° but not more than 22.5°; Imposed load 1.00 kN/m<sup>2</sup>; Timber strength class C16**

**C16**

| Dead Load [kN/m <sup>2</sup> ] excluding the self weight of the rafter |                         |      |      |                                          |      |      |                                          |      |      |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|------|------|------------------------------------------|------|------|------------------------------------------|------|------|
| Size of rafter<br>(mm)                                                 | Not more than 0.50      |      |      | More than 0.50 but<br>not more than 0.75 |      |      | More than 0.75 but<br>not more than 1.00 |      |      |
|                                                                        | Spacing of rafters (mm) |      |      |                                          |      |      |                                          |      |      |
|                                                                        | 400                     | 450  | 600  | 400                                      | 450  | 600  | 400                                      | 450  | 600  |
| 38 x 100                                                               | 2.10                    | 2.05 | 1.90 | 1.93                                     | 1.88 | 1.75 | 1.80                                     | 1.75 | 1.61 |
| 38 x 125                                                               | 2.73                    | 2.63 | 2.35 | 2.59                                     | 2.49 | 2.17 | 2.44                                     | 2.34 | 2.03 |
| 38 x 150                                                               | 3.27                    | 3.14 | 2.79 | 3.10                                     | 2.97 | 2.58 | 2.94                                     | 2.78 | 2.41 |
| 47 x 100                                                               | 2.35                    | 2.26 | 2.05 | 2.23                                     | 2.15 | 1.95 | 2.10                                     | 2.03 | 1.83 |
| 47 x 125                                                               | 2.93                    | 2.82 | 2.56 | 2.78                                     | 2.68 | 2.41 | 2.66                                     | 2.56 | 2.26 |
| 47 x 150                                                               | 3.50                    | 3.37 | 3.07 | 3.33                                     | 3.20 | 2.86 | 3.18                                     | 3.06 | 2.68 |
| 50 x 100                                                               | 2.40                    | 2.31 | 2.10 | 2.28                                     | 2.19 | 1.99 | 2.18                                     | 2.09 | 1.88 |
| 50 x 125                                                               | 2.99                    | 2.88 | 2.62 | 2.84                                     | 2.73 | 2.48 | 2.71                                     | 2.61 | 2.33 |
| 50 x 150                                                               | 3.57                    | 3.44 | 3.13 | 3.40                                     | 3.27 | 2.95 | 3.25                                     | 3.12 | 2.76 |
| CLS/ALS                                                                |                         |      |      |                                          |      |      |                                          |      |      |
| 38 x 89                                                                | 1.76                    | 1.72 | 1.63 | 1.63                                     | 1.59 | 1.49 | 1.53                                     | 1.49 | 1.38 |
| 38 x 140                                                               | 3.05                    | 2.94 | 2.61 | 2.90                                     | 2.78 | 2.42 | 2.76                                     | 2.61 | 2.26 |

**Table 4B.16 Maximum clear span of purlins supporting rafters (m); Roof pitch more than 15° but not more than 22.5°; Imposed load of 1.00 kN/m<sup>2</sup>; Timber strength class C16**

**C16**

| Dead Load [kN/m <sup>2</sup> ] excluding the self weight of the purlin |                                |      |      |      |      |      |                                          |      |      |      |      |      |                                          |      |      |      |      |      |  |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------------------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------------------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|--|
| Size of purlin<br>(mm)                                                 | Not more than 0.50             |      |      |      |      |      | More than 0.50 but<br>not more than 0.75 |      |      |      |      |      | More than 0.75 but<br>not more than 1.00 |      |      |      |      |      |  |
|                                                                        | Design spacing of purlins (mm) |      |      |      |      |      |                                          |      |      |      |      |      |                                          |      |      |      |      |      |  |
|                                                                        | 1500                           | 1800 | 2100 | 2400 | 2700 | 3000 | 1500                                     | 1800 | 2100 | 2400 | 2700 | 3000 | 1500                                     | 1800 | 2100 | 2400 | 2700 | 3000 |  |
| 47 x 150                                                               | -                              | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -                                        | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -                                        | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    |  |
| 47 x 175                                                               | 2.04                           | 1.91 | -    | -    | -    | -    | 1.93                                     | 1.80 | -    | -    | -    | -    | 1.84                                     | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    |  |
| 47 x 200                                                               | 2.33                           | 2.18 | 2.05 | 1.91 | -    | -    | 2.20                                     | 2.05 | 1.89 | -    | -    | -    | 2.10                                     | 1.92 | -    | -    | -    | -    |  |
| 47 x 225                                                               | 2.62                           | 2.45 | 2.28 | 2.13 | 2.01 | 1.90 | 2.48                                     | 2.29 | 2.12 | 1.97 | 1.86 | -    | 2.35                                     | 2.14 | 1.98 | 1.84 | -    | -    |  |
| 63 x 150                                                               | 1.94                           | 1.82 | -    | -    | -    | -    | 1.84                                     | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -                                        | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    |  |
| 63 x 175                                                               | 2.27                           | 2.12 | 2.01 | 1.91 | 1.83 | -    | 2.15                                     | 2.01 | 1.90 | 1.81 | -    | -    | 2.05                                     | 1.92 | 1.81 | -    | -    | -    |  |
| 63 x 200                                                               | 2.59                           | 2.42 | 2.29 | 2.18 | 2.09 | 1.98 | 2.45                                     | 2.30 | 2.17 | 2.06 | 1.94 | 1.83 | 2.30                                     | 2.19 | 2.06 | 1.92 | 1.81 | -    |  |
| 63 x 225                                                               | 2.91                           | 2.72 | 2.58 | 2.45 | 2.33 | 2.21 | 2.76                                     | 2.58 | 2.44 | 2.30 | 2.16 | 2.05 | 2.63                                     | 2.46 | 2.30 | 2.15 | 2.02 | 1.91 |  |
| 75 x 150                                                               | 2.07                           | 1.94 | 1.83 | -    | -    | -    | 1.96                                     | 1.84 | -    | -    | -    | -    | 1.87                                     | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    |  |
| 75 x 175                                                               | 2.41                           | 2.26 | 2.14 | 2.04 | 1.95 | 1.88 | 2.29                                     | 2.14 | 2.03 | 1.93 | 1.85 | -    | 2.18                                     | 2.04 | 1.93 | 1.84 | -    | -    |  |
| 75 x 200                                                               | 2.75                           | 2.58 | 2.44 | 2.33 | 2.23 | 2.14 | 2.61                                     | 2.45 | 2.31 | 2.20 | 2.11 | 2.01 | 2.49                                     | 2.33 | 2.20 | 2.10 | 1.98 | 1.88 |  |
| 75 x 225                                                               | 3.09                           | 2.90 | 2.74 | 2.61 | 2.50 | 2.41 | 2.93                                     | 2.75 | 2.60 | 2.48 | 2.36 | 2.24 | 2.80                                     | 2.62 | 2.48 | 2.35 | 2.21 | 2.09 |  |
| 2 x 47 x 200                                                           | 3.12                           | 2.93 | 2.77 | 2.65 | 2.54 | 2.44 | 2.96                                     | 2.78 | 2.63 | 2.51 | 2.40 | 2.31 | 2.83                                     | 2.65 | 2.51 | 2.39 | 2.29 | 2.21 |  |
| 2 x 47 x 225                                                           | 3.50                           | 3.29 | 3.18 | 2.97 | 2.85 | 2.75 | 3.33                                     | 3.12 | 2.96 | 2.82 | 2.70 | 2.60 | 3.18                                     | 2.98 | 2.82 | 2.69 | 2.58 | 2.47 |  |
| 2 x 47 x 250                                                           | 3.88                           | 3.65 | 3.46 | 3.30 | 3.17 | 3.05 | 3.69                                     | 3.47 | 3.28 | 3.13 | 3.00 | 2.89 | 3.53                                     | 3.31 | 3.14 | 2.99 | 2.86 | 2.73 |  |
| 2 x 47 x 275                                                           | 4.27                           | 4.01 | 3.80 | 3.63 | 3.48 | 3.35 | 4.06                                     | 3.81 | 3.61 | 3.44 | 3.30 | 3.17 | 3.88                                     | 3.64 | 3.45 | 3.28 | 3.15 | 2.98 |  |
| 2 x 47 x 300                                                           | 4.65                           | 4.37 | 4.14 | 3.95 | 3.79 | 3.65 | 4.42                                     | 4.15 | 3.93 | 3.75 | 3.60 | 3.46 | 4.23                                     | 4.00 | 3.76 | 3.58 | 3.41 | 3.24 |  |

**Table 4B.17 Maximum clear span of rafters (m); Roof pitch more than 15° but not more than 22.5°; Imposed load 1.00 kN/m<sup>2</sup>; Timber strength class C24**

**C24**

| Dead Load [kN/m <sup>2</sup> ] excluding the self weight of the rafter |                         |      |      |                                          |      |      |                                          |      |      |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|------|------|------------------------------------------|------|------|------------------------------------------|------|------|
| Size of rafter<br>(mm)                                                 | Not more than 0.50      |      |      | More than 0.50 but<br>not more than 0.75 |      |      | More than 0.75 but<br>not more than 1.00 |      |      |
|                                                                        | Spacing of rafters (mm) |      |      |                                          |      |      |                                          |      |      |
|                                                                        | 400                     | 450  | 600  | 400                                      | 450  | 600  | 400                                      | 450  | 600  |
| 38 x 100                                                               | 2.28                    | 2.19 | 1.99 | 2.16                                     | 2.08 | 1.89 | 2.07                                     | 1.99 | 1.80 |
| 38 x 125                                                               | 2.84                    | 2.73 | 2.48 | 2.70                                     | 2.59 | 2.35 | 2.58                                     | 2.48 | 2.25 |
| 38 x 150                                                               | 3.40                    | 3.27 | 2.97 | 3.23                                     | 3.10 | 2.82 | 3.09                                     | 2.97 | 2.69 |
| 47 x 100                                                               | 2.44                    | 2.35 | 2.14 | 2.32                                     | 2.23 | 2.03 | 2.22                                     | 2.13 | 1.94 |
| 47 x 125                                                               | 3.04                    | 2.93 | 2.67 | 2.89                                     | 2.78 | 2.53 | 2.77                                     | 2.66 | 2.42 |
| 47 x 150                                                               | 3.64                    | 3.50 | 3.19 | 3.46                                     | 3.33 | 3.03 | 3.31                                     | 3.18 | 2.89 |
| 50 x 100                                                               | 2.49                    | 2.40 | 2.18 | 2.37                                     | 2.28 | 2.07 | 2.27                                     | 2.18 | 1.98 |
| 50 x 125                                                               | 3.10                    | 2.99 | 2.72 | 2.95                                     | 2.84 | 2.58 | 2.82                                     | 2.72 | 2.47 |
| 50 x 150                                                               | 3.71                    | 3.57 | 3.26 | 3.46                                     | 3.40 | 3.09 | 3.38                                     | 3.25 | 2.95 |
| CLS/ALS                                                                |                         |      |      |                                          |      |      |                                          |      |      |
| 38 x 89                                                                | 2.03                    | 1.95 | 1.77 | 1.93                                     | 1.85 | 1.68 | 1.84                                     | 1.77 | 1.60 |
| 38 x 140                                                               | 3.18                    | 3.06 | 2.78 | 3.02                                     | 2.90 | 2.63 | 2.88                                     | 2.77 | 2.52 |

**Table 4B.18 Maximum clear span of purlins supporting rafters (m); Roof pitch more than 15° but not more than 22.5°; Imposed load of 1.00 kN/m<sup>2</sup>; Timber strength class C24**

**C24**

| Dead Load [kN/m <sup>2</sup> ] excluding the self weight of the purlin |                                |      |      |      |      |      |                                          |      |      |      |      |      |                                          |      |      |      |      |      |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------------------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------------------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Size of purlin<br>(mm)                                                 | Not more than 0.50             |      |      |      |      |      | More than 0.50 but<br>not more than 0.75 |      |      |      |      |      | More than 0.75 but<br>not more than 1.00 |      |      |      |      |      |
|                                                                        | Design spacing of purlins (mm) |      |      |      |      |      |                                          |      |      |      |      |      |                                          |      |      |      |      |      |
|                                                                        | 1500                           | 1800 | 2100 | 2400 | 2700 | 3000 | 1500                                     | 1800 | 2100 | 2400 | 2700 | 3000 | 1500                                     | 1800 | 2100 | 2400 | 2700 | 3000 |
| 47 x 150                                                               | 1.83                           | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -                                        | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -                                        | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    |
| 47 x 175                                                               | 2.13                           | 2.00 | 1.88 | -    | -    | -    | 2.02                                     | 1.89 | -    | -    | -    | -    | 1.93                                     | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    |
| 47 x 200                                                               | 2.44                           | 2.28 | 2.15 | 2.05 | 1.96 | 1.88 | 2.31                                     | 2.16 | 2.04 | 1.93 | 1.82 | -    | 2.20                                     | 2.05 | 1.94 | -    | -    | -    |
| 47 x 225                                                               | 2.74                           | 2.56 | 2.42 | 2.30 | 2.20 | 2.11 | 2.59                                     | 2.43 | 2.29 | 2.17 | 2.04 | 1.83 | 2.47                                     | 2.31 | 2.18 | 2.02 | -    | -    |
| 63 x 150                                                               | 2.03                           | 1.90 | 1.80 | -    | -    | -    | 1.93                                     | 1.81 | -    | -    | -    | -    | 1.84                                     | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    |
| 63 x 175                                                               | 2.37                           | 2.22 | 2.10 | 2.00 | 1.91 | 1.84 | 2.25                                     | 2.10 | 1.99 | 1.89 | 1.81 | -    | 2.14                                     | 2.01 | 1.90 | 1.80 | -    | -    |
| 63 x 200                                                               | 2.70                           | 2.53 | 2.40 | 2.28 | 2.19 | 2.10 | 2.57                                     | 2.40 | 2.27 | 2.16 | 2.07 | 1.99 | 2.45                                     | 2.29 | 2.16 | 2.06 | 1.97 | 1.89 |
| 63 x 225                                                               | 3.04                           | 2.85 | 2.70 | 2.57 | 2.46 | 2.36 | 2.88                                     | 2.70 | 2.55 | 2.43 | 2.32 | 2.23 | 2.75                                     | 2.58 | 2.43 | 2.31 | 2.21 | 2.12 |
| 75 x 125                                                               | 1.80                           | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -                                        | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -                                        | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    |
| 75 x 150                                                               | 2.16                           | 2.03 | 1.92 | 1.83 | -    | -    | 2.05                                     | 1.92 | 1.82 | -    | -    | -    | 1.96                                     | 1.83 | -    | -    | -    | -    |
| 75 x 175                                                               | 2.52                           | 2.36 | 2.24 | 2.13 | 2.04 | 1.96 | 2.39                                     | 2.24 | 2.12 | 2.02 | 1.93 | 1.86 | 2.28                                     | 2.14 | 2.02 | 1.92 | 1.84 | -    |
| 75 x 200                                                               | 2.87                           | 2.70 | 2.55 | 2.43 | 2.33 | 2.24 | 2.73                                     | 2.56 | 2.42 | 2.31 | 2.21 | 2.12 | 2.61                                     | 2.44 | 2.31 | 2.20 | 2.10 | 2.02 |
| 75 x 225                                                               | 3.23                           | 3.03 | 2.87 | 2.74 | 2.62 | 2.52 | 3.07                                     | 2.88 | 2.72 | 2.59 | 2.48 | 2.39 | 2.93                                     | 2.75 | 2.60 | 2.47 | 2.36 | 2.27 |
| 2 x 47 x 200                                                           | 3.25                           | 3.06 | 2.90 | 2.76 | 2.65 | 2.55 | 3.09                                     | 2.90 | 2.75 | 2.62 | 2.52 | 2.42 | 2.96                                     | 2.77 | 2.63 | 2.50 | 2.40 | 2.31 |
| 2 x 47 x 225                                                           | 3.65                           | 3.43 | 3.26 | 3.11 | 2.98 | 2.87 | 3.47                                     | 3.26 | 3.09 | 2.95 | 2.83 | 2.72 | 3.32                                     | 3.12 | 2.95 | 2.82 | 2.70 | 2.60 |
| 2 x 47 x 250                                                           | 4.05                           | 3.81 | 3.61 | 3.45 | 3.31 | 3.19 | 3.85                                     | 3.62 | 3.43 | 3.27 | 3.14 | 3.02 | 3.69                                     | 3.46 | 3.28 | 3.13 | 3.00 | 2.88 |
| 2 x 47 x 275                                                           | 4.45                           | 4.19 | 3.97 | 3.79 | 3.64 | 3.50 | 4.23                                     | 3.98 | 3.77 | 3.60 | 3.45 | 3.32 | 4.05                                     | 3.80 | 3.60 | 3.44 | 3.29 | 3.17 |
| 2 x 47 x 300                                                           | 4.85                           | 4.56 | 4.33 | 4.13 | 3.96 | 3.82 | 4.61                                     | 4.33 | 4.11 | 3.92 | 3.76 | 3.62 | 4.41                                     | 4.14 | 3.93 | 3.75 | 3.59 | 3.46 |

**Table 4B.19 Maximum clear span of rafters (m); Roof pitch more than 22.5° but not more than 30°; Imposed load 0.75 kN/m<sup>2</sup>; Timber strength class C16**

**C16**

| Dead Load [kN/m <sup>2</sup> ] excluding the self weight of the rafter |                         |      |      |                                          |      |      |                                          |      |      |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|------|------|------------------------------------------|------|------|------------------------------------------|------|------|
| Size of rafter<br>(mm)                                                 | Not more than 0.50      |      |      | More than 0.50 but<br>not more than 0.75 |      |      | More than 0.75 but<br>not more than 1.00 |      |      |
|                                                                        | Spacing of rafters (mm) |      |      |                                          |      |      |                                          |      |      |
|                                                                        | 400                     | 450  | 600  | 400                                      | 450  | 600  | 400                                      | 450  | 600  |
| 38 x 100                                                               | 2.18                    | 2.13 | 2.01 | 2.01                                     | 1.96 | 1.82 | 1.88                                     | 1.82 | 1.68 |
| 38 x 125                                                               | 2.97                    | 2.86 | 2.60 | 2.74                                     | 2.66 | 2.44 | 2.54                                     | 2.46 | 2.25 |
| 38 x 150                                                               | 3.55                    | 3.42 | 3.11 | 3.34                                     | 3.21 | 2.92 | 3.17                                     | 3.04 | 2.72 |
| 47 x 100                                                               | 2.55                    | 2.46 | 2.23 | 2.35                                     | 2.28 | 2.10 | 2.18                                     | 2.12 | 1.95 |
| 47 x 125                                                               | 3.18                    | 3.06 | 2.79 | 2.99                                     | 2.88 | 2.62 | 2.84                                     | 2.73 | 2.48 |
| 47 x 150                                                               | 3.80                    | 3.66 | 3.33 | 3.57                                     | 3.44 | 3.13 | 3.39                                     | 3.27 | 2.97 |
| 50 x 100                                                               | 2.60                    | 2.51 | 2.28 | 2.45                                     | 2.36 | 2.14 | 2.28                                     | 2.21 | 2.03 |
| 50 x 125                                                               | 3.24                    | 3.12 | 2.84 | 3.05                                     | 2.93 | 2.67 | 2.89                                     | 2.79 | 2.53 |
| 50 x 150                                                               | 3.87                    | 3.73 | 3.40 | 3.65                                     | 3.51 | 3.20 | 3.46                                     | 3.33 | 3.03 |
| CLS/ALS                                                                |                         |      |      |                                          |      |      |                                          |      |      |
| 38 x 89                                                                | 1.82                    | 1.79 | 1.69 | 1.69                                     | 1.65 | 1.55 | 1.59                                     | 1.55 | 1.44 |
| 38 x 140                                                               | 3.32                    | 3.19 | 2.90 | 3.12                                     | 3.00 | 2.72 | 2.94                                     | 2.84 | 2.55 |

**Table 4B.20 Maximum clear span of purlins supporting rafters (m); Roof pitch more than 22.5° but not more than 30°; Imposed load of 0.75 kN/m<sup>2</sup>; Timber strength class C16**

**C16**

| Dead Load [kN/m <sup>2</sup> ] excluding the self weight of the purlin |                                |      |      |      |      |      |                                          |      |      |      |      |      |                                          |      |      |      |      |      |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------------------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------------------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Size of purlin<br>(mm)                                                 | Not more than 0.50             |      |      |      |      |      | More than 0.50 but<br>not more than 0.75 |      |      |      |      |      | More than 0.75 but<br>not more than 1.00 |      |      |      |      |      |
|                                                                        | Design spacing of purlins (mm) |      |      |      |      |      |                                          |      |      |      |      |      |                                          |      |      |      |      |      |
|                                                                        | 1500                           | 1800 | 2100 | 2400 | 2700 | 3000 | 1500                                     | 1800 | 2100 | 2400 | 2700 | 3000 | 1500                                     | 1800 | 2100 | 2400 | 2700 | 3000 |
| 47 x 150                                                               | 1.91                           | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -                                        | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -                                        | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    |
| 47 x 175                                                               | 2.22                           | 2.08 | 1.97 | 1.87 | -    | -    | 2.08                                     | 1.95 | 1.84 | -    | -    | -    | 1.97                                     | 1.84 | -    | -    | -    | -    |
| 47 x 200                                                               | 2.54                           | 2.38 | 2.25 | 2.14 | 2.03 | 1.92 | 2.38                                     | 2.23 | 2.10 | 1.97 | 1.85 | -    | 2.25                                     | 2.10 | 1.95 | 1.82 | -    | -    |
| 47 x 225                                                               | 2.85                           | 2.67 | 2.53 | 2.40 | 2.27 | 2.15 | 2.68                                     | 2.50 | 2.36 | 2.20 | 2.07 | 1.96 | 2.53                                     | 2.36 | 2.18 | 2.03 | 1.91 | 1.81 |
| 63 x 150                                                               | 2.12                           | 1.98 | 1.88 | -    | -    | -    | 1.99                                     | 1.86 | -    | -    | -    | -    | 1.88                                     | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    |
| 63 x 175                                                               | 2.47                           | 2.31 | 2.19 | 2.09 | 2.00 | 1.92 | 2.32                                     | 2.17 | 2.05 | 1.95 | 1.87 | -    | 2.19                                     | 2.05 | 1.94 | 1.85 | -    | -    |
| 63 x 200                                                               | 2.81                           | 2.64 | 2.50 | 2.38 | 2.28 | 2.19 | 2.64                                     | 2.48 | 2.34 | 2.23 | 2.13 | 2.04 | 2.50                                     | 2.35 | 2.22 | 2.11 | 1.99 | 1.89 |
| 63 x 225                                                               | 3.16                           | 2.97 | 2.81 | 2.68 | 2.56 | 2.47 | 2.97                                     | 2.78 | 2.63 | 2.51 | 2.40 | 2.28 | 2.82                                     | 2.64 | 2.49 | 2.37 | 2.23 | 2.11 |
| 75 x 125                                                               | 1.88                           | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -                                        | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -                                        | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    |
| 75 x 150                                                               | 2.25                           | 2.11 | 2.00 | 1.91 | 1.83 | -    | 2.11                                     | 1.98 | 1.87 | -    | -    | -    | 2.00                                     | 1.88 | -    | -    | -    | -    |
| 75 x 175                                                               | 2.62                           | 2.46 | 2.33 | 2.22 | 2.13 | 2.05 | 2.46                                     | 2.31 | 2.19 | 2.08 | 1.99 | 1.92 | 2.33                                     | 2.19 | 2.07 | 1.97 | 1.89 | 1.81 |
| 75 x 200                                                               | 2.99                           | 2.81 | 2.66 | 2.54 | 2.43 | 2.34 | 2.81                                     | 2.64 | 2.50 | 2.38 | 2.28 | 2.19 | 2.67                                     | 2.50 | 2.36 | 2.25 | 2.15 | 2.07 |
| 75 x 225                                                               | 3.36                           | 3.15 | 2.99 | 2.85 | 2.73 | 2.63 | 3.16                                     | 2.96 | 2.80 | 2.67 | 2.56 | 2.46 | 3.00                                     | 2.81 | 2.66 | 2.53 | 2.42 | 2.31 |
| 2 x 47 x 200                                                           | 3.38                           | 3.18 | 3.01 | 2.88 | 2.76 | 2.66 | 3.18                                     | 2.99 | 2.83 | 2.70 | 2.59 | 2.50 | 3.02                                     | 2.84 | 2.69 | 2.56 | 2.46 | 2.36 |
| 2 x 47 x 225                                                           | 3.80                           | 3.57 | 3.39 | 3.23 | 3.10 | 2.99 | 3.57                                     | 3.36 | 3.18 | 3.04 | 2.91 | 2.81 | 3.39                                     | 3.19 | 3.02 | 2.88 | 2.76 | 2.66 |
| 2 x 47 x 250                                                           | 4.21                           | 3.96 | 3.76 | 3.59 | 3.44 | 3.32 | 3.97                                     | 3.73 | 3.53 | 3.37 | 3.24 | 3.12 | 3.77                                     | 3.54 | 3.35 | 3.20 | 3.06 | 2.95 |
| 2 x 47 x 275                                                           | 4.62                           | 4.35 | 4.13 | 3.94 | 3.79 | 3.65 | 4.36                                     | 4.09 | 3.88 | 3.71 | 3.56 | 3.42 | 4.14                                     | 3.89 | 3.68 | 3.51 | 3.37 | 3.24 |
| 2 x 47 x 300                                                           | 5.04                           | 4.74 | 4.50 | 4.30 | 4.13 | 3.98 | 4.75                                     | 4.46 | 4.23 | 4.04 | 3.88 | 3.73 | 4.51                                     | 4.24 | 4.01 | 3.83 | 3.67 | 3.54 |

**Table 4B.21 Maximum clear span of rafters (m); Roof pitch more than 22.5° but not more than 30°; Imposed load 0.75 kN/m<sup>2</sup>; Timber strength class C24**

**C24**

| Dead Load [kN/m <sup>2</sup> ] excluding the self weight of the rafter |                         |      |      |                                          |      |      |                                          |      |      |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|------|------|------------------------------------------|------|------|------------------------------------------|------|------|
| Size of rafter<br>(mm)                                                 | Not more than 0.50      |      |      | More than 0.50 but<br>not more than 0.75 |      |      | More than 0.75 but<br>not more than 1.00 |      |      |
|                                                                        | Spacing of rafters (mm) |      |      |                                          |      |      |                                          |      |      |
|                                                                        | 400                     | 450  | 600  | 400                                      | 450  | 600  | 400                                      | 450  | 600  |
| 38 x 100                                                               | 2.48                    | 2.38 | 2.17 | 2.33                                     | 2.24 | 2.03 | 2.21                                     | 2.12 | 1.93 |
| 38 x 125                                                               | 3.08                    | 2.97 | 2.70 | 2.90                                     | 2.79 | 2.53 | 2.75                                     | 2.65 | 2.40 |
| 38 x 150                                                               | 3.69                    | 3.55 | 3.23 | 3.47                                     | 3.34 | 3.04 | 3.29                                     | 3.17 | 2.88 |
| 47 x 100                                                               | 2.65                    | 2.55 | 2.32 | 2.49                                     | 2.40 | 2.18 | 2.37                                     | 2.28 | 2.07 |
| 47 x 125                                                               | 3.30                    | 3.18 | 2.90 | 3.11                                     | 2.99 | 2.72 | 2.95                                     | 2.84 | 2.58 |
| 47 x 150                                                               | 3.94                    | 3.80 | 3.46 | 3.71                                     | 3.58 | 3.26 | 3.53                                     | 3.40 | 3.09 |
| 50 x 100                                                               | 2.71                    | 2.61 | 2.37 | 2.55                                     | 2.45 | 2.23 | 2.42                                     | 2.32 | 2.11 |
| 50 x 125                                                               | 3.37                    | 3.24 | 2.96 | 3.17                                     | 3.05 | 2.78 | 3.01                                     | 2.90 | 2.63 |
| 50 x 150                                                               | 4.02                    | 3.87 | 3.53 | 3.79                                     | 3.65 | 3.32 | 3.60                                     | 3.46 | 3.15 |
| CLS/ALS                                                                |                         |      |      |                                          |      |      |                                          |      |      |
| 38 x 89                                                                | 2.21                    | 2.12 | 1.93 | 2.07                                     | 1.99 | 1.81 | 1.97                                     | 1.89 | 1.72 |
| 38 x 140                                                               | 3.45                    | 3.32 | 3.02 | 3.24                                     | 3.12 | 2.84 | 3.08                                     | 2.96 | 2.69 |

**Table 4B.22 Maximum clear span of purlins supporting rafters (m); Roof pitch more than 22.5° but not more than 30°; Imposed load of 0.75 kN/m<sup>2</sup>; Timber strength class C24**

**C24**

| Dead Load [kN/m <sup>2</sup> ] excluding the self weight of the purlin |                                |      |      |      |      |      |                                          |      |      |      |      |      |                                          |      |      |      |      |      |   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------------------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------------------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|---|
| Size of purlin<br>(mm)                                                 | Not more than 0.50             |      |      |      |      |      | More than 0.50 but<br>not more than 0.75 |      |      |      |      |      | More than 0.75 but<br>not more than 1.00 |      |      |      |      |      |   |
|                                                                        | Design spacing of purlins (mm) |      |      |      |      |      |                                          |      |      |      |      |      |                                          |      |      |      |      |      |   |
|                                                                        | 1500                           | 1800 | 2100 | 2400 | 2700 | 3000 | 1500                                     | 1800 | 2100 | 2400 | 2700 | 3000 | 1500                                     | 1800 | 2100 | 2400 | 2700 | 3000 |   |
| 47 x 150                                                               | 1.99                           | 1.87 | -    | -    | -    | -    | 1.87                                     | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -                                        | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | - |
| 47 x 175                                                               | 2.32                           | 2.18 | 2.06 | 1.96 | 1.87 | 1.80 | 2.18                                     | 2.04 | 1.93 | 1.83 | -    | -    | 2.06                                     | 1.93 | 1.82 | -    | -    | -    | - |
| 47 x 200                                                               | 2.65                           | 2.48 | 2.35 | 2.24 | 2.14 | 2.06 | 2.49                                     | 2.33 | 2.20 | 2.09 | 2.00 | 1.92 | 2.36                                     | 2.20 | 2.08 | 1.98 | 1.89 | -    | - |
| 47 x 225                                                               | 2.98                           | 2.79 | 2.64 | 2.52 | 2.41 | 2.31 | 2.80                                     | 2.62 | 2.47 | 2.35 | 2.25 | 2.16 | 2.65                                     | 2.48 | 2.34 | 2.22 | 2.12 | 1.94 | - |
| 63 x 125                                                               | 1.84                           | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -                                        | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -                                        | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | - |
| 63 x 150                                                               | 2.21                           | 2.07 | 1.96 | 1.87 | -    | -    | 2.08                                     | 1.95 | 1.84 | -    | -    | -    | 1.97                                     | 1.84 | -    | -    | -    | -    | - |
| 63 x 175                                                               | 2.57                           | 2.42 | 2.29 | 2.18 | 2.09 | 2.01 | 2.42                                     | 2.27 | 2.15 | 2.04 | 1.96 | 1.88 | 2.29                                     | 2.15 | 2.03 | 1.93 | 1.85 | -    | - |
| 63 x 200                                                               | 2.94                           | 2.76 | 2.61 | 2.49 | 2.39 | 2.30 | 2.76                                     | 2.59 | 2.45 | 2.33 | 2.24 | 2.15 | 2.62                                     | 2.45 | 2.32 | 2.21 | 2.11 | 2.03 | - |
| 63 x 225                                                               | 3.30                           | 3.10 | 2.93 | 2.80 | 2.68 | 2.58 | 3.10                                     | 2.91 | 2.75 | 2.62 | 2.51 | 2.42 | 2.94                                     | 2.76 | 2.61 | 2.48 | 2.38 | 2.28 | - |
| 75 x 125                                                               | 1.96                           | 1.84 | -    | -    | -    | -    | 1.84                                     | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -                                        | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | - |
| 75 x 150                                                               | 2.35                           | 2.20 | 2.09 | 1.99 | 1.91 | 1.84 | 2.21                                     | 2.07 | 1.96 | 1.87 | -    | -    | 2.09                                     | 1.96 | 1.86 | -    | -    | -    | - |
| 75 x 175                                                               | 2.73                           | 2.57 | 2.43 | 2.32 | 2.22 | 2.14 | 2.57                                     | 2.41 | 2.28 | 2.18 | 2.09 | 2.01 | 2.44                                     | 2.29 | 2.16 | 2.06 | 1.97 | 1.90 | - |
| 75 x 200                                                               | 3.12                           | 2.93 | 2.78 | 2.65 | 2.54 | 2.45 | 2.93                                     | 2.75 | 2.61 | 2.49 | 2.38 | 2.29 | 2.79                                     | 2.61 | 2.47 | 2.35 | 2.26 | 2.17 | - |
| 75 x 225                                                               | 3.50                           | 3.29 | 3.12 | 2.98 | 2.86 | 2.75 | 3.30                                     | 3.10 | 2.93 | 2.80 | 2.68 | 2.58 | 3.13                                     | 2.94 | 2.78 | 2.65 | 2.54 | 2.44 | - |
| 2 x 47 x 200                                                           | 3.52                           | 3.31 | 3.15 | 3.00 | 2.88 | 2.78 | 3.32                                     | 3.12 | 2.96 | 2.82 | 2.71 | 2.61 | 3.15                                     | 2.96 | 2.81 | 2.68 | 2.57 | 2.47 | - |
| 2 x 47 x 225                                                           | 3.96                           | 3.72 | 3.53 | 3.38 | 3.24 | 3.12 | 3.73                                     | 3.51 | 3.32 | 3.17 | 3.05 | 2.93 | 3.54                                     | 3.33 | 3.16 | 3.01 | 2.89 | 2.78 | - |
| 2 x 47 x 250                                                           | 4.39                           | 4.13 | 3.92 | 3.75 | 3.60 | 3.47 | 4.14                                     | 3.89 | 3.69 | 3.52 | 3.38 | 3.26 | 3.93                                     | 3.69 | 3.50 | 3.34 | 3.21 | 3.09 | - |
| 2 x 47 x 275                                                           | 4.82                           | 4.54 | 4.31 | 4.12 | 3.95 | 3.81 | 4.54                                     | 4.27 | 4.05 | 3.87 | 3.72 | 3.58 | 4.32                                     | 4.06 | 3.85 | 3.67 | 3.52 | 3.39 | - |
| 2 x 47 x 300                                                           | 5.25                           | 4.94 | 4.69 | 4.48 | 4.31 | 4.15 | 4.95                                     | 4.66 | 4.42 | 4.22 | 4.05 | 3.90 | 4.71                                     | 4.42 | 4.19 | 4.00 | 3.84 | 3.70 | - |

**Table 4B.23 Maximum clear span of rafters (m); Roof pitch more than 22.5° but not more than 30°; Imposed load 1.00 kN/m<sup>2</sup>; Timber strength class C16**

**C16**

| Dead Load [kN/m <sup>2</sup> ] excluding the self weight of the rafter |                         |      |      |                                          |      |      |                                          |      |      |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|------|------|------------------------------------------|------|------|------------------------------------------|------|------|
| Size of rafter<br>(mm)                                                 | Not more than 0.50      |      |      | More than 0.50 but<br>not more than 0.75 |      |      | More than 0.75 but<br>not more than 1.00 |      |      |
|                                                                        | Spacing of rafters (mm) |      |      |                                          |      |      |                                          |      |      |
|                                                                        | 400                     | 450  | 600  | 400                                      | 450  | 600  | 400                                      | 450  | 600  |
| 38 x 100                                                               | 2.18                    | 2.13 | 1.96 | 2.01                                     | 1.96 | 1.82 | 1.88                                     | 1.82 | 1.68 |
| 38 x 125                                                               | 2.80                    | 2.69 | 2.45 | 2.65                                     | 2.55 | 2.30 | 2.53                                     | 2.44 | 2.15 |
| 38 x 150                                                               | 3.35                    | 3.22 | 2.93 | 3.18                                     | 3.06 | 2.73 | 3.03                                     | 2.92 | 2.55 |
| 47 x 100                                                               | 2.41                    | 2.32 | 2.11 | 2.28                                     | 2.20 | 2.00 | 2.18                                     | 2.10 | 1.90 |
| 47 x 125                                                               | 3.00                    | 2.89 | 2.63 | 2.85                                     | 2.74 | 2.49 | 2.72                                     | 2.62 | 2.37 |
| 47 x 150                                                               | 3.59                    | 3.46 | 3.14 | 3.41                                     | 3.28 | 2.98 | 3.25                                     | 3.13 | 2.83 |
| 50 x 100                                                               | 2.46                    | 2.37 | 2.15 | 2.33                                     | 2.24 | 2.04 | 2.23                                     | 2.14 | 1.94 |
| 50 x 125                                                               | 3.06                    | 2.95 | 2.68 | 2.91                                     | 2.80 | 2.54 | 2.78                                     | 2.67 | 2.43 |
| 50 x 150                                                               | 3.66                    | 3.52 | 3.21 | 3.48                                     | 3.34 | 3.04 | 3.32                                     | 3.20 | 2.90 |
| CLS/ALS                                                                |                         |      |      |                                          |      |      |                                          |      |      |
| 38 x 89                                                                | 1.82                    | 1.79 | 1.69 | 1.69                                     | 1.65 | 1.55 | 1.59                                     | 1.55 | 1.44 |
| 38 x 140                                                               | 3.13                    | 3.01 | 2.74 | 2.97                                     | 2.85 | 2.56 | 2.83                                     | 2.72 | 2.29 |

**Table 4B.24 Maximum clear span of purlins supporting rafters (m); Roof pitch more than 22.5° but not more than 30°; Imposed load of 1.00 kN/m<sup>2</sup>; Timber strength class C16**

**C16**

| Dead Load [kN/m² ] excluding the self weight of the purlin |                                |      |      |      |      |      |                                          |      |      |      |      |      |                                          |      |      |      |      |      |
|------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------------------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------------------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Size of purlin<br>(mm)                                     | Not more than 0.50             |      |      |      |      |      | More than 0.50 but<br>not more than 0.75 |      |      |      |      |      | More than 0.75 but<br>not more than 1.00 |      |      |      |      |      |
|                                                            | Design spacing of purlins (mm) |      |      |      |      |      |                                          |      |      |      |      |      |                                          |      |      |      |      |      |
|                                                            | 1500                           | 1800 | 2100 | 2400 | 2700 | 3000 | 1500                                     | 1800 | 2100 | 2400 | 2700 | 3000 | 1500                                     | 1800 | 2100 | 2400 | 2700 | 3000 |
| 47 x 150                                                   | -                              | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -                                        | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -                                        | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    |
| 47 x 175                                                   | 2.09                           | 1.96 | 1.85 | -    | -    | -    | 1.98                                     | 1.85 | -    | -    | -    | -    | 1.88                                     | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    |
| 47 x 200                                                   | 2.39                           | 2.24 | 2.11 | 1.98 | 1.86 | -    | 2.26                                     | 2.11 | 1.96 | 1.83 | -    | -    | 2.15                                     | 1.98 | 1.83 | -    | -    | -    |
| 47 x 225                                                   | 2.69                           | 2.51 | 2.37 | 2.21 | 2.08 | 1.97 | 2.54                                     | 2.37 | 2.19 | 2.05 | 1.92 | 1.82 | 2.42                                     | 2.22 | 2.05 | 1.91 | -    | -    |
| 63 x 150                                                   | 2.00                           | 1.87 | -    | -    | -    | -    | 1.89                                     | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | 1.88                                     | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    |
| 63 x 175                                                   | 2.33                           | 2.18 | 2.06 | 1.96 | 1.88 | 1.80 | 2.20                                     | 2.06 | 1.95 | 1.85 | -    | -    | 2.10                                     | 1.96 | 1.85 | -    | -    | -    |
| 63 x 200                                                   | 2.66                           | 2.49 | 2.35 | 2.24 | 2.14 | 2.05 | 2.51                                     | 2.35 | 2.22 | 2.12 | 2.00 | 1.90 | 2.40                                     | 2.24 | 2.12 | 1.99 | 1.87 | -    |
| 63 x 225                                                   | 2.98                           | 2.80 | 2.65 | 2.52 | 2.41 | 2.29 | 2.83                                     | 2.65 | 2.50 | 2.38 | 2.24 | 2.12 | 2.69                                     | 2.52 | 2.38 | 2.22 | 2.09 | 1.98 |
| 75 x 150                                                   | 2.12                           | 1.99 | 1.88 | -    | -    | -    | 2.01                                     | 1.88 | -    | -    | -    | -    | 1.92                                     | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    |
| 75 x 175                                                   | 2.47                           | 2.32 | 2.20 | 2.09 | 2.00 | 1.93 | 2.34                                     | 2.20 | 2.08 | 1.98 | 1.89 | 1.82 | 2.24                                     | 2.09 | 1.98 | 1.88 | 1.80 | -    |
| 75 x 200                                                   | 2.82                           | 2.65 | 2.51 | 2.39 | 2.29 | 2.20 | 2.68                                     | 2.51 | 2.37 | 2.26 | 2.16 | 2.08 | 2.55                                     | 2.39 | 2.26 | 2.15 | 2.05 | 1.94 |
| 75 x 225                                                   | 3.17                           | 2.98 | 2.82 | 2.68 | 2.57 | 2.47 | 3.01                                     | 2.82 | 2.67 | 2.54 | 2.43 | 2.32 | 2.87                                     | 2.69 | 2.54 | 2.42 | 2.29 | 2.17 |
| 2 x 47 x 200                                               | 3.20                           | 3.00 | 2.85 | 2.72 | 2.60 | 2.51 | 3.03                                     | 2.85 | 2.70 | 2.57 | 2.47 | 2.37 | 2.90                                     | 2.72 | 2.57 | 2.45 | 2.35 | 2.26 |
| 2 x 47 x 225                                               | 3.59                           | 3.37 | 3.20 | 3.05 | 2.93 | 2.82 | 3.41                                     | 3.20 | 3.03 | 2.89 | 2.77 | 2.67 | 3.25                                     | 3.05 | 2.89 | 2.76 | 2.64 | 2.54 |
| 2 x 47 x 250                                               | 3.98                           | 3.74 | 3.55 | 3.39 | 3.25 | 3.13 | 3.78                                     | 3.55 | 3.36 | 3.21 | 3.08 | 2.96 | 3.61                                     | 3.39 | 3.21 | 3.06 | 2.93 | 2.82 |
| 2 x 47 x 275                                               | 4.37                           | 4.11 | 3.90 | 3.72 | 3.57 | 3.44 | 4.15                                     | 3.90 | 3.70 | 3.53 | 3.38 | 3.26 | 3.97                                     | 3.73 | 3.53 | 3.36 | 3.22 | 3.08 |
| 2 x 47 x 300                                               | 4.77                           | 4.48 | 4.25 | 4.06 | 3.89 | 3.75 | 4.53                                     | 4.25 | 4.03 | 3.84 | 3.69 | 3.55 | 4.32                                     | 4.06 | 3.85 | 3.67 | 3.51 | 3.35 |

**Table 4B.25** Maximum clear span of rafters (m); Roof pitch more than 22.5° but not more than 30°; Imposed load 1.00 kN/m<sup>2</sup>; Timber strength class C24

**C24**

| Dead Load [kN/m <sup>2</sup> ] excluding the self weight of the rafter |                         |      |      |                                          |      |      |                                          |      |      |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|------|------|------------------------------------------|------|------|------------------------------------------|------|------|
| Size of rafter<br>(mm)                                                 | Not more than 0.50      |      |      | More than 0.50 but<br>not more than 0.75 |      |      | More than 0.75 but<br>not more than 1.00 |      |      |
|                                                                        | Spacing of rafters (mm) |      |      |                                          |      |      |                                          |      |      |
|                                                                        | 400                     | 450  | 600  | 400                                      | 450  | 600  | 400                                      | 450  | 600  |
| 38 x 100                                                               | 2.34                    | 2.25 | 2.04 | 2.21                                     | 2.13 | 1.93 | 2.11                                     | 2.03 | 1.84 |
| 38 x 125                                                               | 2.91                    | 2.80 | 2.55 | 2.76                                     | 2.66 | 2.41 | 2.64                                     | 2.53 | 2.30 |
| 38 x 150                                                               | 3.48                    | 3.35 | 3.05 | 3.30                                     | 3.18 | 2.89 | 3.16                                     | 3.04 | 2.76 |
| 47 x 100                                                               | 2.51                    | 2.41 | 2.19 | 2.38                                     | 2.29 | 2.08 | 2.27                                     | 2.18 | 1.98 |
| 47 x 125                                                               | 3.12                    | 3.00 | 2.73 | 2.96                                     | 2.85 | 2.59 | 2.83                                     | 2.72 | 2.47 |
| 47 x 150                                                               | 3.73                    | 3.59 | 3.27 | 3.54                                     | 3.41 | 3.10 | 3.38                                     | 3.26 | 2.96 |
| 50 x 100                                                               | 2.56                    | 2.46 | 2.24 | 2.42                                     | 2.33 | 2.12 | 2.32                                     | 2.23 | 2.02 |
| 50 x 125                                                               | 3.18                    | 3.06 | 2.79 | 3.02                                     | 2.91 | 2.64 | 2.89                                     | 2.78 | 2.52 |
| 50 x 150                                                               | 3.80                    | 3.66 | 3.34 | 3.61                                     | 3.48 | 3.16 | 3.45                                     | 3.32 | 3.02 |
| CLS/ALS                                                                |                         |      |      |                                          |      |      |                                          |      |      |
| 38 x 89                                                                | 2.08                    | 2.00 | 1.82 | 1.97                                     | 1.90 | 1.72 | 1.88                                     | 1.81 | 1.64 |
| 38 x 140                                                               | 3.25                    | 3.13 | 2.85 | 3.09                                     | 2.97 | 2.70 | 2.95                                     | 2.84 | 2.57 |

**Table 4B.26** Maximum clear span of purlins supporting rafters (m); Roof pitch more than 22.5° but not more than 30°; Imposed load of 1.00 kN/m<sup>2</sup>; Timber strength class C24

**C24**

| Dead Load [kN/m <sup>2</sup> ] excluding the self weight of the purlin |                                |      |      |      |      |      |                                          |      |      |      |      |      |                                          |      |      |      |      |      |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------------------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------------------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Size of purlin<br>(mm)                                                 | Not more than 0.50             |      |      |      |      |      | More than 0.50 but<br>not more than 0.75 |      |      |      |      |      | More than 0.75 but<br>not more than 1.00 |      |      |      |      |      |
|                                                                        | Design spacing of purlins (mm) |      |      |      |      |      |                                          |      |      |      |      |      |                                          |      |      |      |      |      |
|                                                                        | 1500                           | 1800 | 2100 | 2400 | 2700 | 3000 | 1500                                     | 1800 | 2100 | 2400 | 2700 | 3000 | 1500                                     | 1800 | 2100 | 2400 | 2700 | 3000 |
| 47 x 150                                                               | 1.88                           | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -                                        | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -                                        | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    |
| 47 x 175                                                               | 2.19                           | 2.05 | 1.94 | 1.84 | -    | -    | 2.07                                     | 1.94 | 1.82 | -    | -    | -    | 1.97                                     | 1.84 | -    | -    | -    | -    |
| 47 x 200                                                               | 2.50                           | 2.34 | 2.21 | 2.10 | 2.01 | 1.93 | 2.37                                     | 2.21 | 2.09 | 1.99 | 1.90 | -    | 2.25                                     | 2.11 | 1.99 | 1.89 | -    | -    |
| 47 x 225                                                               | 2.81                           | 2.63 | 2.49 | 2.37 | 2.26 | 2.17 | 2.66                                     | 2.50 | 2.35 | 2.23 | 2.13 | 1.97 | 2.53                                     | 2.37 | 2.23 | 2.12 | 1.91 | -    |
| 63 x 150                                                               | 2.09                           | 1.95 | 1.85 | -    | -    | -    | 1.98                                     | 1.85 | -    | -    | -    | -    | 1.88                                     | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    |
| 63 x 175                                                               | 2.43                           | 2.28 | 2.16 | 2.05 | 1.97 | 1.89 | 2.30                                     | 2.16 | 2.04 | 1.94 | 1.86 | -    | 2.20                                     | 2.06 | 1.94 | 1.85 | -    | -    |
| 63 x 200                                                               | 2.77                           | 2.60 | 2.46 | 2.35 | 2.25 | 2.16 | 2.63                                     | 2.46 | 2.33 | 2.22 | 2.12 | 2.04 | 2.51                                     | 2.35 | 2.22 | 2.11 | 2.02 | 1.94 |
| 63 x 225                                                               | 3.12                           | 2.92 | 2.77 | 2.64 | 2.52 | 2.43 | 2.95                                     | 2.77 | 2.62 | 2.49 | 2.39 | 2.29 | 2.82                                     | 2.64 | 2.49 | 2.37 | 2.27 | 2.18 |
| 75 x 125                                                               | 1.85                           | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -                                        | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -                                        | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    |
| 75 x 150                                                               | 2.22                           | 2.08 | 1.97 | 1.88 | -    | -    | 2.10                                     | 1.97 | 1.86 | -    | -    | -    | 2.01                                     | 1.88 | -    | -    | -    | -    |
| 75 x 175                                                               | 2.58                           | 2.42 | 2.29 | 2.19 | 2.10 | 2.02 | 2.45                                     | 2.30 | 2.17 | 2.07 | 1.96 | 1.91 | 2.34                                     | 2.19 | 2.07 | 1.97 | 1.89 | 1.81 |
| 75 x 200                                                               | 2.95                           | 2.77 | 2.62 | 2.50 | 2.39 | 2.30 | 2.80                                     | 2.62 | 2.48 | 2.36 | 2.26 | 2.18 | 2.67                                     | 2.50 | 2.37 | 2.25 | 2.16 | 2.07 |
| 75 x 225                                                               | 3.31                           | 3.11 | 2.94 | 2.81 | 2.70 | 2.59 | 3.14                                     | 2.95 | 2.79 | 2.66 | 2.55 | 2.45 | 3.00                                     | 2.81 | 2.66 | 2.53 | 2.42 | 2.33 |
| 2 x 47 x 200                                                           | 3.33                           | 3.13 | 2.97 | 2.84 | 2.72 | 2.62 | 3.17                                     | 2.97 | 2.82 | 2.69 | 2.58 | 2.48 | 3.03                                     | 2.84 | 2.69 | 2.56 | 2.46 | 2.37 |
| 2 x 47 x 225                                                           | 3.74                           | 3.52 | 3.34 | 3.19 | 3.06 | 2.95 | 3.56                                     | 3.34 | 3.17 | 3.02 | 2.90 | 2.79 | 3.40                                     | 3.19 | 3.02 | 2.88 | 2.76 | 2.66 |
| 2 x 47 x 250                                                           | 4.15                           | 3.91 | 3.71 | 3.54 | 3.40 | 3.27 | 3.95                                     | 3.71 | 3.52 | 3.35 | 3.22 | 3.10 | 3.77                                     | 3.54 | 3.36 | 3.20 | 3.07 | 2.95 |
| 2 x 47 x 275                                                           | 4.56                           | 4.29 | 4.07 | 3.89 | 3.73 | 3.60 | 4.34                                     | 4.07 | 3.86 | 3.69 | 3.54 | 3.41 | 4.14                                     | 3.89 | 3.69 | 3.52 | 3.37 | 3.25 |
| 2 x 47 x 300                                                           | 4.97                           | 4.67 | 4.44 | 4.24 | 4.07 | 3.92 | 4.72                                     | 4.44 | 4.21 | 4.02 | 3.85 | 3.71 | 4.52                                     | 4.24 | 4.02 | 3.83 | 3.68 | 3.54 |

**Table 4B.27 Maximum clear span of rafters (m); Roof pitch more than 30° but not more than 45°; Imposed load 0.75 kN/m<sup>2</sup>; Timber strength class C16**

**C16**

| Dead Load [kN/m <sup>2</sup> ] excluding the self weight of the rafter |                         |      |      |                                          |      |      |                                          |      |      |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|------|------|------------------------------------------|------|------|------------------------------------------|------|------|
| Size of rafter<br>(mm)                                                 | Not more than 0.50      |      |      | More than 0.50 but<br>not more than 0.75 |      |      | More than 0.75 but<br>not more than 1.00 |      |      |
|                                                                        | Spacing of rafters (mm) |      |      |                                          |      |      |                                          |      |      |
|                                                                        | 400                     | 450  | 600  | 400                                      | 450  | 600  | 400                                      | 450  | 600  |
| 38 x 100                                                               | 2.28                    | 2.23 | 2.10 | 2.10                                     | 2.05 | 1.91 | 1.96                                     | 1.91 | 1.76 |
| 38 x 125                                                               | 3.07                    | 2.95 | 2.69 | 2.87                                     | 2.77 | 1.52 | 2.65                                     | 2.56 | 2.35 |
| 38 x 150                                                               | 3.67                    | 3.53 | 3.22 | 3.44                                     | 3.31 | 3.01 | 3.26                                     | 3.14 | 2.85 |
| 47 x 100                                                               | 2.64                    | 2.54 | 2.31 | 2.45                                     | 2.38 | 2.17 | 2.28                                     | 2.21 | 2.04 |
| 47 x 125                                                               | 3.29                    | 3.17 | 2.88 | 3.09                                     | 2.97 | 2.70 | 2.92                                     | 2.81 | 2.56 |
| 47 x 150                                                               | 3.93                    | 3.78 | 3.45 | 3.69                                     | 3.55 | 3.23 | 3.50                                     | 3.37 | 3.06 |
| 50 x 100                                                               | 2.69                    | 2.59 | 2.36 | 2.53                                     | 2.43 | 2.21 | 2.38                                     | 2.30 | 2.09 |
| 50 x 125                                                               | 3.35                    | 3.23 | 2.94 | 3.15                                     | 3.03 | 2.76 | 2.98                                     | 2.87 | 2.61 |
| 50 x 150                                                               | 4.00                    | 3.86 | 3.52 | 3.76                                     | 3.62 | 3.30 | 3.57                                     | 3.44 | 3.13 |
| CLS/ALS                                                                |                         |      |      |                                          |      |      |                                          |      |      |
| 38 x 89                                                                | 1.91                    | 1.87 | 1.77 | 1.77                                     | 1.73 | 1.62 | 1.67                                     | 1.62 | 1.50 |
| 38 x 140                                                               | 3.43                    | 3.30 | 3.01 | 3.22                                     | 3.10 | 2.82 | 3.05                                     | 2.93 | 2.66 |

**Table 4B.28 Maximum clear span of purlins supporting rafters (m); Roof pitch more than 30° but not more than 45°; Imposed load of 0.75 kN/m<sup>2</sup>; Timbers strength class C16**

**C16**

| Dead Load [kN/m <sup>2</sup> ] excluding the self weight of the purlin |                                |      |      |      |      |      |                                          |      |      |      |      |      |                                          |      |      |      |      |      |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------------------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------------------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Size of purlin<br>(mm)                                                 | Not more than 0.50             |      |      |      |      |      | More than 0.50 but<br>not more than 0.75 |      |      |      |      |      | More than 0.75 but<br>not more than 1.00 |      |      |      |      |      |
|                                                                        | Design spacing of purlins (mm) |      |      |      |      |      |                                          |      |      |      |      |      |                                          |      |      |      |      |      |
|                                                                        | 1500                           | 1800 | 2100 | 2400 | 2700 | 3000 | 1500                                     | 1800 | 2100 | 2400 | 2700 | 3000 | 1500                                     | 1800 | 2100 | 2400 | 2700 | 3000 |
| 47 x 150                                                               | 1.98                           | 1.85 | -    | -    | -    | -    | 1.85                                     | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -                                        | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    |
| 47 x 175                                                               | 2.30                           | 2.16 | 2.04 | 1.94 | 1.86 | -    | 2.16                                     | 2.02 | 1.91 | 1.81 | -    | -    | 2.04                                     | 1.91 | -    | -    | -    | -    |
| 47 x 200                                                               | 2.63                           | 2.46 | 2.33 | 2.22 | 2.12 | 2.03 | 2.46                                     | 2.30 | 2.18 | 2.07 | 1.95 | 1.84 | 2.33                                     | 2.18 | 2.04 | 1.91 | -    | -    |
| 47 x 225                                                               | 2.96                           | 2.77 | 2.62 | 2.49 | 2.39 | 2.26 | 2.77                                     | 2.59 | 2.45 | 2.31 | 2.17 | 2.06 | 2.62                                     | 2.45 | 2.28 | 2.13 | 2.00 | 1.90 |
| 63 x 125                                                               | 1.83                           | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -                                        | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -                                        | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    |
| 63 x 150                                                               | 2.19                           | 2.06 | 1.95 | 1.85 | -    | -    | 2.05                                     | 1.93 | 1.82 | -    | -    | -    | 1.94                                     | 1.82 | -    | -    | -    | -    |
| 63 x 175                                                               | 2.55                           | 2.40 | 2.27 | 2.16 | 2.07 | 1.99 | 2.39                                     | 2.24 | 2.12 | 2.02 | 1.94 | 1.86 | 2.27                                     | 2.12 | 2.01 | 1.91 | 1.83 | -    |
| 63 x 200                                                               | 2.91                           | 2.74 | 2.59 | 2.47 | 2.37 | 2.28 | 2.73                                     | 2.56 | 2.42 | 2.31 | 2.21 | 2.13 | 2.59                                     | 2.42 | 2.29 | 2.18 | 2.09 | 1.98 |
| 63 x 225                                                               | 3.28                           | 3.07 | 2.91 | 2.78 | 2.66 | 2.56 | 3.07                                     | 2.88 | 2.73 | 2.60 | 2.49 | 2.39 | 2.91                                     | 2.72 | 2.58 | 2.45 | 2.33 | 2.21 |
| 75 x 125                                                               | 1.94                           | 1.82 | -    | -    | -    | -    | 1.82                                     | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -                                        | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    |
| 75 x 150                                                               | 2.33                           | 2.19 | 2.07 | 1.97 | 1.89 | 1.82 | 2.18                                     | 2.05 | 1.94 | 1.85 | -    | -    | 2.07                                     | 1.94 | 1.83 | -    | -    | -    |
| 75 x 175                                                               | 2.71                           | 2.55 | 2.41 | 2.30 | 2.21 | 2.12 | 2.55                                     | 2.39 | 2.26 | 2.15 | 2.06 | 1.99 | 2.41                                     | 2.26 | 2.14 | 2.04 | 1.95 | 1.87 |
| 75 x 200                                                               | 3.10                           | 2.91 | 2.75 | 2.63 | 2.52 | 2.43 | 2.91                                     | 2.73 | 2.58 | 2.46 | 2.36 | 2.27 | 2.75                                     | 2.58 | 2.44 | 2.33 | 2.23 | 2.14 |
| 75 x 225                                                               | 3.48                           | 3.27 | 3.10 | 2.95 | 2.83 | 2.73 | 3.26                                     | 3.06 | 2.90 | 2.77 | 2.65 | 2.55 | 3.09                                     | 2.90 | 2.74 | 2.61 | 2.50 | 2.41 |
| 2 x 47 x 200                                                           | 3.50                           | 3.29 | 3.12 | 2.98 | 2.86 | 2.76 | 3.29                                     | 3.09 | 2.93 | 2.80 | 2.68 | 2.58 | 3.12                                     | 2.93 | 2.77 | 2.65 | 2.54 | 2.44 |
| 2 x 47 x 225                                                           | 3.93                           | 3.69 | 3.51 | 3.35 | 3.21 | 3.10 | 3.69                                     | 3.47 | 3.29 | 3.14 | 3.01 | 2.90 | 3.50                                     | 3.29 | 3.12 | 2.97 | 2.85 | 2.75 |
| 2 x 47 x 250                                                           | 4.36                           | 4.10 | 3.89 | 3.72 | 3.57 | 3.44 | 4.10                                     | 3.85 | 3.65 | 3.49 | 3.35 | 3.22 | 3.89                                     | 3.65 | 3.46 | 3.30 | 3.17 | 3.05 |
| 2 x 47 x 275                                                           | 4.78                           | 4.50 | 4.27 | 4.08 | 3.92 | 3.78 | 4.50                                     | 4.23 | 4.01 | 3.83 | 3.68 | 3.54 | 4.27                                     | 4.01 | 3.80 | 3.63 | 3.48 | 3.35 |
| 2 x 47 x 300                                                           | 5.21                           | 4.9  | 4.66 | 4.45 | 4.27 | 4.12 | 4.90                                     | 4.61 | 4.37 | 4.18 | 4.01 | 3.86 | 4.65                                     | 4.37 | 4.14 | 3.96 | 3.79 | 3.65 |

**Table 4B.29 Maximum clear span of rafters (m); Roof pitch more than 30° but not more than 45°; Imposed load 0.75 kN/m<sup>2</sup>; Timber strength class C24**

**C24**

| Dead Load [kN/m <sup>2</sup> ] excluding the self weight of the rafter |                         |      |      |                                          |      |      |                                          |      |      |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|------|------|------------------------------------------|------|------|------------------------------------------|------|------|
| Size of rafter<br>(mm)                                                 | Not more than 0.50      |      |      | More than 0.50 but<br>not more than 0.75 |      |      | More than 0.75 but<br>not more than 1.00 |      |      |
|                                                                        | Spacing of rafters (mm) |      |      |                                          |      |      |                                          |      |      |
|                                                                        | 400                     | 450  | 600  | 400                                      | 450  | 600  | 400                                      | 450  | 600  |
| 38 x 100                                                               | 2.56                    | 2.47 | 2.24 | 2.40                                     | 2.31 | 2.10 | 2.28                                     | 2.19 | 1.99 |
| 38 x 125                                                               | 3.19                    | 3.07 | 2.80 | 2.99                                     | 2.88 | 2.62 | 2.84                                     | 2.73 | 2.48 |
| 38 x 150                                                               | 3.81                    | 3.67 | 3.35 | 3.58                                     | 3.45 | 3.14 | 3.39                                     | 3.27 | 2.97 |
| 47 x 100                                                               | 2.74                    | 2.64 | 2.41 | 2.58                                     | 2.48 | 2.25 | 2.44                                     | 2.35 | 2.13 |
| 47 x 125                                                               | 3.41                    | 3.29 | 3.00 | 3.21                                     | 3.09 | 2.81 | 3.04                                     | 2.93 | 2.66 |
| 47 x 150                                                               | 4.08                    | 3.93 | 3.59 | 3.83                                     | 3.69 | 3.36 | 3.64                                     | 3.50 | 3.19 |
| 50 x 100                                                               | 2.80                    | 2.70 | 2.45 | 2.63                                     | 2.53 | 2.30 | 2.49                                     | 2.40 | 2.18 |
| 50 x 125                                                               | 3.48                    | 3.35 | 3.06 | 3.27                                     | 3.15 | 2.87 | 3.10                                     | 2.99 | 2.72 |
| 50 x 150                                                               | 4.16                    | 4.01 | 3.66 | 3.91                                     | 3.77 | 3.43 | 3.71                                     | 3.57 | 3.25 |
| CLS/ALS                                                                |                         |      |      |                                          |      |      |                                          |      |      |
| 38 x 89                                                                | 2.28                    | 2.20 | 2.00 | 2.14                                     | 2.06 | 1.87 | 2.03                                     | 1.95 | 1.77 |
| 38 x 140                                                               | 3.56                    | 3.43 | 3.13 | 3.35                                     | 3.22 | 2.93 | 3.17                                     | 3.05 | 2.77 |

**Table 4B.30 Maximum clear span of purlins supporting rafters (m); Roof pitch more than 30° but not more than 45°; Imposed load of 0.75 kN/m<sup>2</sup>; Timber strength class C24**

**C24**

| Dead Load [kN/m <sup>2</sup> ] excluding the self weight of the purlin |                                |      |      |      |      |      |                                          |      |      |      |      |      |                                          |      |      |      |      |      |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------------------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------------------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Size of purlin<br>(mm)                                                 | Not more than 0.50             |      |      |      |      |      | More than 0.50 but<br>not more than 0.75 |      |      |      |      |      | More than 0.75 but<br>not more than 1.00 |      |      |      |      |      |
|                                                                        | Design spacing of purlins (mm) |      |      |      |      |      |                                          |      |      |      |      |      |                                          |      |      |      |      |      |
|                                                                        | 1500                           | 1800 | 2100 | 2400 | 2700 | 3000 | 1500                                     | 1800 | 2100 | 2400 | 2700 | 3000 | 1500                                     | 1800 | 2100 | 2400 | 2700 | 3000 |
| 47 x 150                                                               | 2.06                           | 1.94 | 1.83 | -    | -    | -    | 1.93                                     | 1.81 | -    | -    | -    | -    | 1.83                                     | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    |
| 47 x 175                                                               | 2.41                           | 2.26 | 2.13 | 2.03 | 1.95 | 1.87 | 2.26                                     | 2.11 | 2.00 | 1.90 | 1.82 | -    | 2.13                                     | 2.00 | 1.88 | -    | -    | -    |
| 47 x 200                                                               | 2.75                           | 2.58 | 2.44 | 2.32 | 2.22 | 2.14 | 2.57                                     | 2.41 | 2.28 | 2.17 | 2.08 | 1.99 | 2.44                                     | 2.28 | 2.15 | 2.05 | 1.96 | 1.88 |
| 47 x 225                                                               | 3.09                           | 2.89 | 2.74 | 2.61 | 2.50 | 2.40 | 2.89                                     | 2.71 | 2.56 | 2.44 | 2.33 | 2.24 | 2.74                                     | 2.56 | 2.42 | 2.30 | 2.20 | 2.11 |
| 63 x 125                                                               | 1.91                           | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -                                        | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -                                        | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    |
| 63 x 150                                                               | 2.29                           | 2.15 | 2.03 | 1.94 | 1.86 | -    | 2.15                                     | 2.01 | 1.90 | 1.81 | -    | -    | 2.03                                     | 1.90 | 1.80 | -    | -    | -    |
| 63 x 175                                                               | 2.67                           | 2.50 | 2.37 | 2.26 | 2.17 | 2.08 | 2.50                                     | 2.35 | 2.22 | 2.12 | 2.03 | 1.95 | 2.37                                     | 2.22 | 2.10 | 2.00 | 1.91 | 1.84 |
| 63 x 200                                                               | 3.04                           | 2.86 | 2.71 | 2.58 | 2.47 | 2.38 | 2.86                                     | 2.68 | 2.54 | 2.42 | 2.31 | 2.23 | 2.70                                     | 2.53 | 2.40 | 2.28 | 2.19 | 2.10 |
| 63 x 225                                                               | 3.42                           | 3.21 | 3.04 | 2.90 | 2.78 | 2.68 | 3.21                                     | 3.01 | 2.85 | 2.72 | 2.60 | 2.50 | 3.04                                     | 2.85 | 2.70 | 2.57 | 2.55 | 2.36 |
| 75 x 125                                                               | 2.03                           | 1.90 | 1.80 | -    | -    | -    | 1.90                                     | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | 1.80                                     | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    |
| 75 x 150                                                               | 2.43                           | 2.28 | 2.16 | 2.06 | 1.98 | 1.91 | 2.28                                     | 2.14 | 2.03 | 1.93 | 1.85 | -    | 2.16                                     | 2.03 | 1.92 | 1.83 | -    | -    |
| 75 x 175                                                               | 2.83                           | 2.66 | 2.52 | 2.40 | 2.31 | 2.22 | 2.66                                     | 2.49 | 2.36 | 2.25 | 2.16 | 2.08 | 2.52                                     | 2.36 | 2.24 | 2.13 | 2.04 | 1.96 |
| 75 x 200                                                               | 3.23                           | 3.03 | 2.88 | 2.74 | 2.63 | 2.54 | 3.03                                     | 2.85 | 2.70 | 2.57 | 2.47 | 2.37 | 2.88                                     | 2.70 | 2.55 | 2.43 | 2.33 | 2.24 |
| 75 x 225                                                               | 3.63                           | 3.41 | 3.23 | 3.08 | 2.96 | 2.85 | 3.41                                     | 3.20 | 3.03 | 2.89 | 2.77 | 2.67 | 3.23                                     | 3.03 | 2.87 | 2.74 | 2.62 | 2.52 |
| 2 x 47 x 200                                                           | 3.65                           | 3.43 | 3.26 | 3.11 | 2.99 | 2.88 | 3.43                                     | 3.22 | 3.06 | 2.92 | 2.80 | 2.70 | 3.25                                     | 3.06 | 2.90 | 2.77 | 2.65 | 2.55 |
| 2 x 47 x 225                                                           | 4.09                           | 3.85 | 3.66 | 3.49 | 3.36 | 3.24 | 3.85                                     | 3.62 | 3.44 | 3.28 | 3.15 | 3.03 | 3.66                                     | 3.44 | 3.26 | 3.11 | 2.98 | 2.87 |
| 2 x 47 x 250                                                           | 4.54                           | 4.27 | 4.06 | 3.88 | 3.72 | 3.59 | 4.27                                     | 4.02 | 3.81 | 3.64 | 3.50 | 3.37 | 4.06                                     | 3.81 | 3.61 | 3.45 | 3.31 | 3.19 |
| 2 x 47 x 275                                                           | 4.98                           | 4.69 | 4.46 | 4.26 | 4.09 | 3.95 | 4.69                                     | 4.41 | 4.19 | 4.00 | 3.84 | 3.70 | 4.46                                     | 4.19 | 3.97 | 3.79 | 3.64 | 3.50 |
| 2 x 47 x 300                                                           | 5.43                           | 5.11 | 4.86 | 4.64 | 4.46 | 4.30 | 5.11                                     | 4.81 | 4.56 | 4.36 | 4.19 | 4.03 | 4.85                                     | 4.56 | 4.33 | 4.13 | 3.97 | 3.82 |

**Table 4B.31 Maximum clear span of rafters (m); Roof pitch more than 30° but not more than 45°; Imposed load 1.00 kN/m<sup>2</sup>; Timbers strength class C16**

**C16**

| Dead Load [kN/m <sup>2</sup> ] excluding the self weight of the rafter |                         |      |      |                                          |      |      |                                          |      |      |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|------|------|------------------------------------------|------|------|------------------------------------------|------|------|
| Size of rafter<br>(mm)                                                 | Not more than 0.50      |      |      | More than 0.50 but<br>not more than 0.75 |      |      | More than 0.75 but<br>not more than 1.00 |      |      |
|                                                                        | Spacing of rafters (mm) |      |      |                                          |      |      |                                          |      |      |
|                                                                        | 400                     | 450  | 600  | 400                                      | 450  | 600  | 400                                      | 450  | 600  |
| 38 x 100                                                               | 2.28                    | 2.23 | 2.03 | 2.10                                     | 2.05 | 1.91 | 1.96                                     | 1.91 | 1.76 |
| 38 x 125                                                               | 2.90                    | 2.79 | 2.54 | 2.75                                     | 2.64 | 2.40 | 2.62                                     | 2.52 | 2.26 |
| 38 x 150                                                               | 3.47                    | 3.34 | 3.04 | 3.29                                     | 3.16 | 2.87 | 3.13                                     | 3.01 | 2.69 |
| 47 x 100                                                               | 2.50                    | 2.40 | 2.18 | 2.36                                     | 2.27 | 2.06 | 2.25                                     | 2.17 | 1.97 |
| 47 x 125                                                               | 3.11                    | 2.99 | 2.72 | 2.94                                     | 2.83 | 2.58 | 2.81                                     | 2.70 | 2.45 |
| 47 x 150                                                               | 3.72                    | 3.58 | 3.26 | 3.52                                     | 3.39 | 3.08 | 3.36                                     | 3.23 | 2.94 |
| 50 x 100                                                               | 2.55                    | 2.45 | 2.23 | 2.41                                     | 2.32 | 2.11 | 2.30                                     | 2.21 | 2.01 |
| 50 x 125                                                               | 3.17                    | 3.05 | 2.78 | 3.00                                     | 2.89 | 2.63 | 2.87                                     | 2.76 | 2.51 |
| 50 x 150                                                               | 3.79                    | 3.65 | 3.33 | 3.59                                     | 3.46 | 3.15 | 3.43                                     | 3.30 | 3.00 |
| CLS/ALS                                                                |                         |      |      |                                          |      |      |                                          |      |      |
| 38 x 89                                                                | 1.91                    | 1.87 | 1.77 | 1.77                                     | 1.73 | 1.62 | 1.67                                     | 1.62 | 1.50 |
| 38 x 140                                                               | 3.24                    | 3.12 | 2.84 | 3.07                                     | 2.95 | 2.68 | 2.93                                     | 2.82 | 2.52 |

**Table 4B.32 Maximum clear span of purlins supporting rafters (m); Roof pitch more than 30° but not more than 45°; Imposed load of 1.00 kN/m<sup>2</sup>; Timber strength class C16**

**C16**

| Dead Load [kN/m <sup>2</sup> ] excluding the self weight of the purlin |                                |      |      |      |      |      |                                          |      |      |      |      |      |                                          |      |      |      |      |      |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------------------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------------------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Size of purlin<br>(mm)                                                 | Not more than 0.50             |      |      |      |      |      | More than 0.50 but<br>not more than 0.75 |      |      |      |      |      | More than 0.75 but<br>not more than 1.00 |      |      |      |      |      |
|                                                                        | Design spacing of purlins (mm) |      |      |      |      |      |                                          |      |      |      |      |      |                                          |      |      |      |      |      |
|                                                                        | 1500                           | 1800 | 2100 | 2400 | 2700 | 3000 | 1500                                     | 1800 | 2100 | 2400 | 2700 | 3000 | 1500                                     | 1800 | 2100 | 2400 | 2700 | 3000 |
| 47 x 150                                                               | 1.87                           | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -                                        | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -                                        | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    |
| 47 x 175                                                               | 2.17                           | 2.04 | 1.92 | 1.83 | -    | -    | 2.05                                     | 1.92 | 1.81 | -    | -    | -    | 1.95                                     | 1.82 | -    | -    | -    | -    |
| 47 x 200                                                               | 2.48                           | 2.32 | 2.20 | 2.09 | 1.97 | 1.86 | 2.34                                     | 2.19 | 2.06 | 1.93 | 1.81 | -    | 2.23                                     | 2.08 | 1.92 | -    | -    | -    |
| 47 x 225                                                               | 2.79                           | 2.61 | 2.47 | 2.34 | 2.20 | 2.08 | 2.64                                     | 2.46 | 2.31 | 2.15 | 2.03 | 1.92 | 2.51                                     | 2.33 | 2.15 | 2.01 | 1.89 | -    |
| 63 x 150                                                               | 2.07                           | 1.94 | 1.84 | -    | -    | -    | 1.96                                     | 1.83 | -    | -    | -    | -    | 1.86                                     | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    |
| 63 x 175                                                               | 2.41                           | 2.26 | 2.14 | 2.04 | 1.95 | 1.88 | 2.28                                     | 2.14 | 2.02 | 1.92 | 1.84 | -    | 2.17                                     | 2.03 | 1.92 | 1.83 | -    | -    |
| 63 x 200                                                               | 2.76                           | 2.58 | 2.44 | 2.33 | 2.23 | 2.14 | 2.61                                     | 2.44 | 2.31 | 2.20 | 2.10 | 2.00 | 2.48                                     | 2.32 | 2.19 | 2.09 | 1.97 | 1.86 |
| 63 x 225                                                               | 3.10                           | 2.90 | 2.75 | 2.62 | 2.51 | 2.41 | 2.93                                     | 2.74 | 2.59 | 2.47 | 2.36 | 2.23 | 2.79                                     | 2.61 | 2.47 | 2.33 | 2.20 | 2.08 |
| 75 x 125                                                               | 1.84                           | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -                                        | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -                                        | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    |
| 75 x 150                                                               | 2.20                           | 2.07 | 1.96 | 1.86 | -    | -    | 2.08                                     | 1.95 | 1.85 | -    | -    | -    | 1.98                                     | 1.86 | -    | -    | -    | -    |
| 75 x 175                                                               | 2.57                           | 2.41 | 2.28 | 2.17 | 2.08 | 2.00 | 2.43                                     | 2.28 | 2.15 | 2.05 | 1.96 | 1.89 | 2.31                                     | 2.17 | 2.05 | 1.95 | 1.87 | -    |
| 75 x 200                                                               | 2.93                           | 2.75 | 2.60 | 2.48 | 2.38 | 2.29 | 2.77                                     | 2.60 | 2.46 | 2.34 | 2.24 | 2.16 | 2.64                                     | 2.47 | 2.34 | 2.23 | 2.13 | 2.04 |
| 75 x 225                                                               | 3.29                           | 3.09 | 2.92 | 2.79 | 2.67 | 2.57 | 3.12                                     | 2.92 | 2.76 | 2.63 | 2.52 | 2.43 | 2.97                                     | 2.78 | 2.63 | 2.50 | 2.40 | 2.28 |
| 2 x 47 x 200                                                           | 3.31                           | 3.11 | 2.95 | 2.82 | 2.70 | 2.60 | 3.14                                     | 2.95 | 2.79 | 2.66 | 2.55 | 2.46 | 2.99                                     | 2.81 | 2.66 | 2.54 | 2.43 | 2.34 |
| 2 x 47 x 225                                                           | 3.72                           | 3.50 | 3.32 | 3.17 | 3.04 | 2.93 | 3.53                                     | 3.31 | 3.14 | 2.99 | 2.87 | 2.76 | 3.36                                     | 3.16 | 2.99 | 2.85 | 2.73 | 2.63 |
| 2 x 47 x 250                                                           | 4.13                           | 3.88 | 3.68 | 3.51 | 3.37 | 3.25 | 3.91                                     | 3.68 | 3.48 | 3.32 | 3.19 | 3.07 | 3.73                                     | 3.51 | 3.32 | 3.17 | 3.04 | 2.92 |
| 2 x 47 x 275                                                           | 4.53                           | 4.26 | 4.05 | 3.86 | 3.71 | 3.57 | 4.30                                     | 4.04 | 3.83 | 3.65 | 3.50 | 3.37 | 4.10                                     | 3.85 | 3.65 | 3.48 | 3.34 | 3.21 |
| 2 x 47 x 300                                                           | 4.94                           | 4.65 | 4.41 | 4.21 | 4.04 | 3.89 | 4.68                                     | 4.40 | 4.17 | 3.98 | 3.82 | 3.68 | 4.47                                     | 4.20 | 3.98 | 3.79 | 3.64 | 3.50 |

**Table 4B.33 Maximum clear span of rafters (m); Roof pitch more than 30° but not more than 45°; Imposed load 1.00 kN/m<sup>2</sup>; Timber strength class C24**

**C24**

| Dead Load [kN/m <sup>2</sup> ] excluding the self weight of the rafter |                         |      |      |                                       |      |      |                                       |      |      |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|------|------|---------------------------------------|------|------|---------------------------------------|------|------|
| Size of purlin (mm)                                                    | Not more than 0.50      |      |      | More than 0.50 but not more than 0.75 |      |      | More than 0.75 but not more than 1.00 |      |      |
|                                                                        | Spacing of rafters (mm) |      |      |                                       |      |      |                                       |      |      |
|                                                                        | 400                     | 450  | 600  | 400                                   | 450  | 600  | 400                                   | 450  | 600  |
| 38 x 100                                                               | 2.42                    | 2.33 | 2.12 | 2.29                                  | 2.20 | 2.00 | 2.18                                  | 2.10 | 1.90 |
| 38 x 125                                                               | 3.02                    | 2.90 | 2.64 | 2.86                                  | 2.75 | 2.50 | 2.72                                  | 2.62 | 2.38 |
| 38 x 150                                                               | 3.61                    | 3.47 | 3.16 | 3.42                                  | 3.29 | 2.99 | 3.26                                  | 3.14 | 2.85 |
| 47 x 100                                                               | 2.60                    | 2.50 | 2.27 | 2.46                                  | 2.36 | 2.15 | 2.34                                  | 2.25 | 2.05 |
| 47 x 125                                                               | 3.23                    | 3.11 | 2.83 | 3.06                                  | 2.95 | 2.68 | 2.92                                  | 2.81 | 2.55 |
| 47 x 150                                                               | 3.86                    | 3.72 | 3.39 | 3.66                                  | 3.52 | 3.21 | 3.49                                  | 3.36 | 3.06 |
| 50 x 100                                                               | 2.65                    | 2.55 | 2.32 | 2.51                                  | 2.41 | 2.19 | 2.39                                  | 2.30 | 2.09 |
| 50 x 125                                                               | 3.30                    | 3.17 | 2.89 | 3.12                                  | 3.01 | 2.73 | 2.98                                  | 2.87 | 2.61 |
| 50 x 150                                                               | 3.94                    | 3.79 | 3.46 | 3.73                                  | 3.60 | 3.27 | 3.57                                  | 3.43 | 3.12 |
| CLS/ALS                                                                |                         |      |      |                                       |      |      |                                       |      |      |
| 38 x 89                                                                | 2.16                    | 2.08 | 1.89 | 2.04                                  | 1.96 | 1.78 | 1.95                                  | 1.87 | 1.70 |
| 38 x 140                                                               | 3.37                    | 3.25 | 2.95 | 3.19                                  | 3.07 | 2.79 | 3.05                                  | 2.93 | 2.66 |

**Table 4B.34 Maximum clear span of purlins supporting rafters (m); Roof pitch more than 30° but not more than 45°; Imposed load of 1.00 kN/m<sup>2</sup>; Timbers strength class C24**

**C24**

| Dead Load [kN/m <sup>2</sup> ] excluding the self weight of the purlin |                                |      |      |      |      |      |                                          |      |      |      |      |      |                                          |      |      |      |      |      |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------------------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------------------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Size of purlin<br>(mm)                                                 | Not more than 0.50             |      |      |      |      |      | More than 0.50 but<br>not more than 0.75 |      |      |      |      |      | More than 0.75 but<br>not more than 1.00 |      |      |      |      |      |
|                                                                        | Design spacing of purlins (mm) |      |      |      |      |      |                                          |      |      |      |      |      |                                          |      |      |      |      |      |
|                                                                        | 1500                           | 1800 | 2100 | 2400 | 2700 | 3000 | 1500                                     | 1800 | 2100 | 2400 | 2700 | 3000 | 1500                                     | 1800 | 2100 | 2400 | 2700 | 3000 |
| 47 x 150                                                               | 1.95                           | 1.83 | -    | -    | -    | -    | 1.84                                     | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -                                        | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    |
| 47 x 175                                                               | 2.27                           | 2.13 | 2.01 | 1.92 | 1.83 | -    | 2.15                                     | 2.01 | 1.90 | 1.80 | -    | -    | 2.04                                     | 1.91 | 1.80 | -    | -    | -    |
| 47 x 200                                                               | 2.60                           | 2.43 | 2.30 | 2.19 | 2.09 | 2.01 | 2.45                                     | 2.30 | 2.17 | 2.06 | 1.97 | 1.89 | 2.33                                     | 2.18 | 2.06 | 1.96 | 1.87 | -    |
| 47 x 225                                                               | 2.92                           | 2.73 | 2.58 | 2.46 | 2.35 | 2.26 | 2.76                                     | 2.58 | 2.44 | 2.32 | 2.22 | 2.13 | 2.62                                     | 2.45 | 2.32 | 2.20 | 2.10 | 1.89 |
| 63 x 125                                                               | 1.81                           | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -                                        | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -                                        | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    |
| 63 x 150                                                               | 2.16                           | 2.03 | 1.92 | 1.83 | -    | -    | 2.05                                     | 1.92 | 1.81 | -    | -    | -    | 1.95                                     | 1.83 | -    | -    | -    | -    |
| 63 x 175                                                               | 2.52                           | 2.36 | 2.24 | 2.13 | 2.04 | 1.97 | 2.39                                     | 2.24 | 2.11 | 2.01 | 1.93 | 1.85 | 2.27                                     | 2.13 | 2.01 | 1.91 | 1.83 | -    |
| 63 x 200                                                               | 2.88                           | 2.70 | 2.56 | 2.44 | 2.33 | 2.24 | 2.72                                     | 2.55 | 2.41 | 2.30 | 2.20 | 2.12 | 2.59                                     | 2.43 | 2.30 | 2.19 | 2.09 | 2.01 |
| 63 x 225                                                               | 3.23                           | 3.03 | 2.87 | 2.74 | 2.62 | 2.52 | 3.06                                     | 2.87 | 2.71 | 2.59 | 2.48 | 2.38 | 2.92                                     | 2.73 | 2.58 | 2.46 | 2.35 | 2.26 |
| 75 x 125                                                               | 1.92                           | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | 1.82                                     | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -                                        | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    |
| 75 x 150                                                               | 2.30                           | 2.16 | 2.04 | 1.95 | 1.87 | -    | 2.18                                     | 2.04 | 1.93 | 1.84 | -    | -    | 2.07                                     | 1.94 | 1.84 | -    | -    | -    |
| 75 x 175                                                               | 2.68                           | 2.51 | 2.38 | 2.27 | 2.18 | 2.10 | 2.54                                     | 2.38 | 2.25 | 2.15 | 2.06 | 1.98 | 2.42                                     | 2.27 | 2.14 | 2.04 | 1.96 | 1.88 |
| 75 x 200                                                               | 3.06                           | 2.87 | 2.72 | 2.59 | 2.49 | 2.39 | 2.89                                     | 2.72 | 2.57 | 2.45 | 2.35 | 2.26 | 2.76                                     | 2.59 | 2.45 | 2.33 | 2.23 | 2.15 |
| 75 x 225                                                               | 3.43                           | 3.22 | 3.06 | 2.91 | 2.79 | 2.69 | 3.25                                     | 3.05 | 2.89 | 2.75 | 2.64 | 2.54 | 3.10                                     | 2.91 | 2.75 | 2.62 | 2.51 | 2.41 |
| 2 x 47 x 200                                                           | 3.46                           | 3.25 | 3.08 | 2.94 | 2.82 | 2.72 | 3.28                                     | 3.08 | 2.92 | 2.78 | 2.67 | 2.57 | 3.13                                     | 2.94 | 2.78 | 2.65 | 2.54 | 2.45 |
| 2 x 47 x 225                                                           | 3.88                           | 3.65 | 3.46 | 3.31 | 3.17 | 3.06 | 3.68                                     | 3.46 | 3.28 | 3.13 | 3.00 | 2.89 | 3.51                                     | 3.30 | 3.13 | 2.98 | 2.86 | 2.75 |
| 2 x 47 x 250                                                           | 4.30                           | 4.05 | 3.84 | 3.76 | 3.52 | 3.40 | 4.08                                     | 3.84 | 3.64 | 3.47 | 3.33 | 3.21 | 3.90                                     | 3.66 | 3.47 | 3.31 | 3.18 | 3.06 |
| 2 x 47 x 275                                                           | 4.73                           | 4.45 | 4.22 | 4.03 | 3.87 | 3.73 | 4.48                                     | 4.22 | 4.00 | 3.82 | 3.66 | 3.53 | 4.28                                     | 4.02 | 3.81 | 3.64 | 3.49 | 3.36 |
| 2 x 47 x 300                                                           | 5.15                           | 4.85 | 4.60 | 4.39 | 4.22 | 4.07 | 4.89                                     | 4.59 | 4.36 | 4.16 | 3.99 | 3.85 | 4.67                                     | 4.38 | 4.16 | 3.97 | 3.80 | 3.66 |

## Flat roof joists

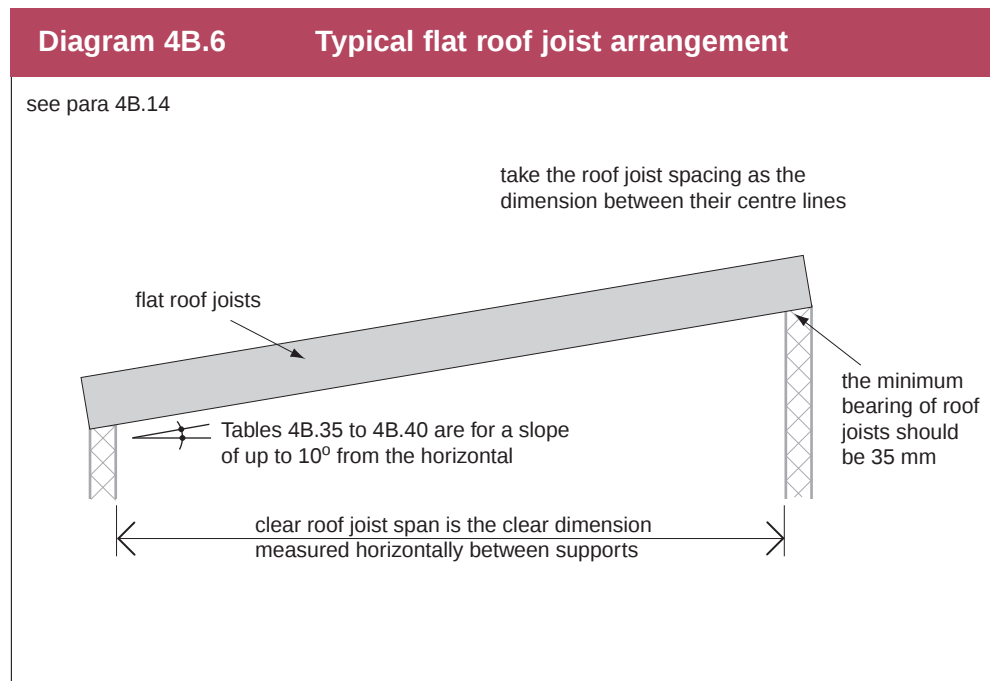
- 4B.14 Tables 4B.35 to 4B.38 give the maximum clear span of joists for a flat roof using timber strength class C16 and C24.

The sizes, spacings and spans given will safely support the dead loads stated in the tables, together with a maximum imposed load of  $0.75 \text{ kN/m}^2$  or  $1.00 \text{ kN/m}^2$  or a concentrated load of  $0.9 \text{ kN}$  provided access is limited for the purpose of cleaning and maintenance only.

Tables 4B.39 and 4B.40 are also given for a flat roof where the access is not limited to the purposes of cleaning and maintenance only and in these tables the imposed load is  $1.5 \text{ kN/m}^2$  or a concentrated point load of  $1.8 \text{ kN}$ .

The section sizes are either sawn across the timber thickness in accordance with tolerance class 1 of BS EN 336 and processed in accordance with tolerance class 2 of BS EN 336 across the timber width (joist depth), or are CLS/ALS processed sizes in accordance with tolerance class 2, to provide level surfaces for ease of ceiling lining and the fixing of structural decking.

See Diagram 4B.6.



**Table 4B.35 Maximum clear span of flat roof joists (m); Access only for cleaning and maintenance; Imposed load 0.75 kN/m<sup>2</sup>; Timber strength class C16**

**C16**

| Dead Load [kN/m <sup>2</sup> ] excluding the self weight of the joist |                       |      |      |                                          |      |      |                                          |      |      |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|------|------|------------------------------------------|------|------|------------------------------------------|------|------|
| Size of joist<br>(mm)                                                 | Not more than 0.50    |      |      | More than 0.50 but<br>not more than 0.75 |      |      | More than 0.75 but<br>not more than 1.00 |      |      |
|                                                                       | Spacing of joist (mm) |      |      |                                          |      |      |                                          |      |      |
|                                                                       | 400                   | 450  | 600  | 400                                      | 450  | 600  | 400                                      | 450  | 600  |
| 38 x 97                                                               | 1.74                  | 1.72 | 1.67 | 1.67                                     | 1.64 | 1.58 | 1.61                                     | 1.58 | 1.51 |
| 38 x 122                                                              | 2.37                  | 2.34 | 2.25 | 2.25                                     | 2.21 | 2.11 | 2.16                                     | 2.11 | 2.01 |
| 38 x 147                                                              | 3.02                  | 2.97 | 2.85 | 2.85                                     | 2.80 | 2.66 | 2.72                                     | 2.66 | 2.51 |
| 38 x 170                                                              | 3.63                  | 3.57 | 3.37 | 3.41                                     | 3.34 | 3.17 | 3.24                                     | 3.17 | 2.98 |
| 38 x 195                                                              | 4.30                  | 4.23 | 3.86 | 4.03                                     | 3.94 | 3.63 | 3.81                                     | 3.72 | 3.45 |
| 38 x 220                                                              | 4.94                  | 4.76 | 4.34 | 4.64                                     | 4.49 | 4.09 | 4.38                                     | 4.27 | 3.88 |
| 47 x 97                                                               | 1.92                  | 1.90 | 1.84 | 1.84                                     | 1.81 | 1.74 | 1.77                                     | 1.74 | 1.65 |
| 47 x 120                                                              | 2.60                  | 2.57 | 2.47 | 2.47                                     | 2.43 | 2.31 | 2.36                                     | 2.31 | 2.19 |
| 47 x 145                                                              | 3.30                  | 3.25 | 3.12 | 3.12                                     | 3.06 | 2.90 | 2.96                                     | 2.90 | 2.74 |
| 47 x 170                                                              | 3.96                  | 3.89 | 3.61 | 3.72                                     | 3.64 | 3.40 | 3.53                                     | 3.44 | 3.23 |
| 47 x 195                                                              | 4.68                  | 4.53 | 4.31 | 4.37                                     | 4.28 | 3.89 | 4.14                                     | 4.04 | 3.70 |
| 47 x 220                                                              | 5.28                  | 5.09 | 4.65 | 4.99                                     | 4.81 | 4.38 | 4.75                                     | 4.58 | 4.17 |
| 50 x 97                                                               | 1.97                  | 1.95 | 1.89 | 1.89                                     | 1.86 | 1.78 | 1.81                                     | 1.78 | 1.70 |
| 50 x 120                                                              | 2.67                  | 2.64 | 2.53 | 2.53                                     | 2.49 | 2.37 | 2.42                                     | 2.37 | 2.25 |
| 50 x 145                                                              | 3.39                  | 3.34 | 3.19 | 3.19                                     | 3.13 | 2.97 | 3.04                                     | 2.97 | 2.80 |
| 50 x 170                                                              | 4.06                  | 3.99 | 3.69 | 3.81                                     | 3.73 | 3.47 | 3.61                                     | 3.53 | 3.30 |
| 50 x 195                                                              | 4.79                  | 4.62 | 4.22 | 4.48                                     | 4.36 | 3.97 | 4.23                                     | 4.13 | 3.78 |
| 50 x 220                                                              | 5.38                  | 5.19 | 4.74 | 5.09                                     | 4.90 | 4.47 | 4.85                                     | 4.67 | 4.25 |
| 63 x 97                                                               | 2.19                  | 2.16 | 2.09 | 2.09                                     | 2.06 | 1.97 | 2.01                                     | 1.97 | 1.87 |
| 63 x 120                                                              | 2.95                  | 2.91 | 2.79 | 2.79                                     | 2.74 | 2.61 | 2.66                                     | 2.61 | 2.47 |
| 63 x 145                                                              | 3.72                  | 3.66 | 3.44 | 3.50                                     | 3.43 | 3.25 | 3.33                                     | 3.26 | 3.07 |
| 63 x 170                                                              | 4.44                  | 4.35 | 3.97 | 4.16                                     | 4.07 | 3.74 | 3.95                                     | 3.85 | 3.56 |
| 63 x 195                                                              | 5.14                  | 4.96 | 4.54 | 4.86                                     | 4.69 | 4.28 | 4.61                                     | 4.47 | 4.07 |
| 63 x 220                                                              | 5.77                  | 5.57 | 5.10 | 5.46                                     | 5.27 | 4.82 | 5.21                                     | 5.02 | 4.59 |
| 75 x 120                                                              | 3.17                  | 3.12 | 3.00 | 3.00                                     | 2.94 | 2.80 | 2.86                                     | 2.80 | 2.65 |
| 75 x 145                                                              | 3.98                  | 3.92 | 3.64 | 3.75                                     | 3.67 | 3.44 | 3.56                                     | 3.48 | 3.27 |
| 75 x 170                                                              | 4.74                  | 4.58 | 4.19 | 4.44                                     | 4.33 | 3.96 | 4.21                                     | 4.11 | 3.77 |
| 75 x 195                                                              | 5.42                  | 5.23 | 4.79 | 5.13                                     | 4.95 | 4.53 | 4.89                                     | 4.72 | 4.31 |
| 75 x 220                                                              | 6.07                  | 5.87 | 5.38 | 5.76                                     | 5.56 | 5.09 | 5.50                                     | 5.30 | 4.85 |
| CLS/ALS                                                               |                       |      |      |                                          |      |      |                                          |      |      |
| 38 x 140                                                              | 2.84                  | 2.79 | 2.68 | 2.68                                     | 2.63 | 2.51 | 2.56                                     | 2.51 | 2.37 |
| 38 x 184                                                              | 4.01                  | 3.94 | 3.64 | 3.76                                     | 3.68 | 3.43 | 3.56                                     | 3.48 | 3.25 |

**Table 4B.36 Maximum clear span of flat roof joists (m); Access only for cleaning and maintenance; Imposed load 0.75 kN/m<sup>2</sup>; Timber strength class C24**

**C24**

| Dead Load [kN/m <sup>2</sup> ] excluding the self weight of the joist |                       |      |      |                                          |      |      |                                          |      |      |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|------|------|------------------------------------------|------|------|------------------------------------------|------|------|
| Size of joist<br>(mm)                                                 | Not more than 0.50    |      |      | More than 0.50 but<br>not more than 0.75 |      |      | More than 0.75 but<br>not more than 1.00 |      |      |
|                                                                       | Spacing of joist (mm) |      |      |                                          |      |      |                                          |      |      |
|                                                                       | 400                   | 450  | 600  | 400                                      | 450  | 600  | 400                                      | 450  | 600  |
| 38 x 97                                                               | 1.84                  | 1.82 | 1.76 | 1.76                                     | 1.73 | 1.66 | 1.69                                     | 1.66 | 1.59 |
| 38 x 120                                                              | 2.50                  | 2.46 | 2.37 | 2.37                                     | 2.33 | 2.22 | 2.27                                     | 2.22 | 2.11 |
| 38 x 145                                                              | 3.18                  | 3.13 | 3.00 | 3.00                                     | 2.94 | 2.79 | 2.85                                     | 2.79 | 2.64 |
| 38 x 170                                                              | 3.81                  | 3.75 | 3.50 | 3.58                                     | 3.51 | 3.30 | 3.40                                     | 3.32 | 3.12 |
| 38 x 195                                                              | 4.51                  | 4.40 | 4.01 | 4.22                                     | 4.13 | 3.78 | 3.99                                     | 3.90 | 3.59 |
| 38 x 220                                                              | 5.13                  | 4.95 | 4.51 | 4.85                                     | 4.67 | 4.25 | 4.59                                     | 4.44 | 4.04 |
| 47 x 97                                                               | 2.03                  | 2.00 | 1.94 | 1.94                                     | 1.91 | 1.83 | 1.86                                     | 1.83 | 1.74 |
| 47 x 120                                                              | 2.74                  | 2.70 | 2.60 | 2.60                                     | 2.55 | 2.43 | 2.48                                     | 2.43 | 2.30 |
| 47 x 145                                                              | 3.47                  | 3.42 | 3.26 | 3.27                                     | 3.21 | 3.04 | 3.11                                     | 3.04 | 2.87 |
| 47 x 170                                                              | 4.15                  | 4.08 | 3.76 | 3.89                                     | 3.81 | 3.54 | 3.69                                     | 3.61 | 3.36 |
| 47 x 195                                                              | 4.88                  | 4.70 | 4.29 | 4.58                                     | 4.44 | 4.05 | 4.33                                     | 4.22 | 3.85 |
| 47 x 220                                                              | 5.48                  | 5.29 | 4.83 | 5.18                                     | 5.00 | 4.56 | 4.94                                     | 4.76 | 4.33 |
| 50 x 97                                                               | 2.08                  | 2.06 | 1.99 | 1.99                                     | 1.96 | 1.88 | 1.91                                     | 1.88 | 1.79 |
| 50 x 120                                                              | 2.81                  | 2.77 | 2.66 | 2.66                                     | 2.62 | 2.49 | 2.54                                     | 2.49 | 2.36 |
| 50 x 145                                                              | 3.56                  | 3.50 | 3.32 | 3.35                                     | 3.29 | 3.12 | 3.19                                     | 3.12 | 2.94 |
| 50 x 170                                                              | 4.26                  | 4.18 | 3.83 | 3.99                                     | 3.91 | 3.61 | 3.78                                     | 3.69 | 3.43 |
| 50 x 195                                                              | 4.97                  | 4.80 | 4.38 | 4.68                                     | 4.53 | 4.13 | 4.43                                     | 4.31 | 3.93 |
| 50 x 220                                                              | 5.59                  | 5.39 | 4.93 | 5.28                                     | 5.09 | 4.65 | 5.04                                     | 4.85 | 4.42 |
| 63 x 97                                                               | 2.31                  | 2.28 | 2.20 | 2.20                                     | 2.16 | 2.07 | 2.11                                     | 2.07 | 1.97 |
| 63 x 120                                                              | 3.10                  | 3.05 | 2.93 | 2.93                                     | 2.88 | 2.74 | 2.80                                     | 2.74 | 2.59 |
| 63 x 145                                                              | 3.90                  | 3.84 | 3.58 | 3.67                                     | 3.60 | 3.38 | 3.49                                     | 3.41 | 3.21 |
| 63 x 170                                                              | 4.65                  | 4.51 | 4.12 | 4.35                                     | 4.26 | 3.89 | 4.13                                     | 4.03 | 3.70 |
| 63 x 195                                                              | 5.33                  | 5.15 | 4.71 | 5.05                                     | 4.87 | 4.45 | 4.82                                     | 4.64 | 4.24 |
| 63 x 220                                                              | 5.98                  | 5.78 | 5.30 | 5.67                                     | 5.47 | 5.00 | 5.41                                     | 5.22 | 4.76 |
| 75 x 120                                                              | 3.33                  | 3.27 | 3.14 | 3.14                                     | 3.08 | 2.93 | 2.99                                     | 2.93 | 2.77 |
| 75 x 145                                                              | 4.17                  | 4.10 | 3.78 | 3.92                                     | 3.84 | 3.57 | 3.73                                     | 3.64 | 3.40 |
| 75 x 170                                                              | 4.92                  | 4.75 | 4.35 | 4.64                                     | 4.50 | 4.11 | 4.40                                     | 4.29 | 3.92 |
| 75 x 195                                                              | 5.61                  | 5.42 | 4.97 | 5.32                                     | 5.14 | 4.70 | 5.08                                     | 4.90 | 4.48 |
| 75 x 220                                                              | 6.29                  | 6.08 | 5.59 | 5.97                                     | 5.77 | 5.28 | 5.70                                     | 5.50 | 5.04 |
| CLS/ALS                                                               |                       |      |      |                                          |      |      |                                          |      |      |
| 38 x 140                                                              | 2.99                  | 2.94 | 2.82 | 2.82                                     | 2.75 | 2.63 | 2.69                                     | 2.63 | 2.49 |
| 38 x 184                                                              | 4.21                  | 4.13 | 3.79 | 3.94                                     | 3.85 | 3.57 | 3.73                                     | 3.64 | 3.39 |

**Table 4B.37 Maximum clear span of flat roof joists; Access only for cleaning and maintenance; Imposed load 1.00 kN/m<sup>2</sup>; Timber strength class C16**

**C16**

| Dead Load [kN/m <sup>2</sup> ] excluding the self weight of the joist |                       |      |      |                                          |      |      |                                          |      |      |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|------|------|------------------------------------------|------|------|------------------------------------------|------|------|
| Size of joist<br>(mm)                                                 | Not more than 0.50    |      |      | More than 0.50 but<br>not more than 0.75 |      |      | More than 0.75 but<br>not more than 1.00 |      |      |
|                                                                       | Spacing of joist (mm) |      |      |                                          |      |      |                                          |      |      |
|                                                                       | 400                   | 450  | 600  | 400                                      | 450  | 600  | 400                                      | 450  | 600  |
| 38 x 97                                                               | 1.74                  | 1.72 | 1.67 | 1.67                                     | 1.64 | 1.58 | 1.61                                     | 1.58 | 1.51 |
| 38 x 120                                                              | 2.37                  | 2.34 | 2.25 | 2.25                                     | 2.21 | 2.11 | 2.16                                     | 2.11 | 2.01 |
| 38 x 145                                                              | 3.02                  | 2.97 | 2.75 | 2.85                                     | 2.80 | 2.61 | 2.72                                     | 2.66 | 2.49 |
| 38 x 170                                                              | 3.62                  | 3.49 | 3.17 | 3.41                                     | 3.31 | 3.01 | 3.24                                     | 3.17 | 2.88 |
| 38 x 195                                                              | 4.15                  | 3.99 | 3.63 | 3.94                                     | 3.79 | 3.45 | 3.77                                     | 3.63 | 3.29 |
| 38 x 220                                                              | 4.67                  | 4.49 | 4.09 | 4.44                                     | 4.27 | 3.88 | 4.25                                     | 4.09 | 3.71 |
|                                                                       |                       |      |      |                                          |      |      |                                          |      |      |
| 47 x 97                                                               | 1.92                  | 1.90 | 1.84 | 1.84                                     | 1.81 | 1.74 | 1.77                                     | 1.74 | 1.65 |
| 47 x 120                                                              | 2.60                  | 2.57 | 2.45 | 2.47                                     | 2.43 | 2.31 | 2.36                                     | 2.31 | 2.19 |
| 47 x 145                                                              | 3.30                  | 3.24 | 2.95 | 3.12                                     | 3.06 | 2.80 | 2.96                                     | 2.90 | 2.68 |
| 47 x 170                                                              | 3.88                  | 3.74 | 3.40 | 3.69                                     | 3.56 | 3.23 | 3.53                                     | 3.40 | 3.09 |
| 47 x 195                                                              | 4.44                  | 4.27 | 3.89 | 4.23                                     | 4.07 | 3.70 | 4.05                                     | 3.89 | 3.54 |
| 47 x 220                                                              | 4.99                  | 4.81 | 4.38 | 4.75                                     | 4.58 | 4.17 | 4.55                                     | 4.38 | 3.99 |
|                                                                       |                       |      |      |                                          |      |      |                                          |      |      |
| 50 x 97                                                               | 1.97                  | 1.95 | 1.89 | 1.89                                     | 1.86 | 1.78 | 1.81                                     | 1.78 | 1.70 |
| 50 x 120                                                              | 2.67                  | 2.64 | 2.50 | 2.53                                     | 2.49 | 2.37 | 2.42                                     | 2.37 | 2.25 |
| 50 x 145                                                              | 3.39                  | 3.31 | 3.01 | 3.19                                     | 3.13 | 2.86 | 3.04                                     | 2.97 | 2.73 |
| 50 x 170                                                              | 3.96                  | 3.81 | 3.47 | 3.77                                     | 3.63 | 3.30 | 3.61                                     | 3.47 | 3.16 |
| 50 x 195                                                              | 4.53                  | 4.36 | 3.97 | 4.31                                     | 4.15 | 3.78 | 4.13                                     | 3.97 | 3.61 |
| 50 x 220                                                              | 5.09                  | 4.90 | 4.47 | 4.85                                     | 4.67 | 4.25 | 4.65                                     | 4.47 | 4.07 |
|                                                                       |                       |      |      |                                          |      |      |                                          |      |      |
| 63 x 97                                                               | 2.19                  | 2.16 | 2.09 | 2.09                                     | 2.06 | 1.97 | 2.01                                     | 1.97 | 1.87 |
| 63 x 120                                                              | 2.95                  | 2.91 | 2.70 | 2.79                                     | 2.74 | 2.57 | 2.66                                     | 2.61 | 2.46 |
| 63 x 145                                                              | 3.70                  | 3.56 | 3.25 | 3.50                                     | 3.39 | 3.09 | 3.33                                     | 3.25 | 2.95 |
| 63 x 170                                                              | 4.26                  | 4.10 | 3.74 | 4.06                                     | 3.91 | 3.56 | 3.89                                     | 3.74 | 3.41 |
| 63 x 195                                                              | 4.86                  | 4.69 | 4.28 | 4.64                                     | 4.47 | 4.07 | 4.45                                     | 4.28 | 3.90 |
| 63 x 220                                                              | 5.46                  | 5.27 | 4.82 | 5.21                                     | 5.02 | 4.59 | 5.00                                     | 4.82 | 4.39 |
|                                                                       |                       |      |      |                                          |      |      |                                          |      |      |
| 75 x 120                                                              | 3.17                  | 3.12 | 2.86 | 3.00                                     | 2.94 | 2.72 | 2.86                                     | 2.80 | 2.60 |
| 75 x 145                                                              | 3.90                  | 3.76 | 3.44 | 3.72                                     | 3.59 | 3.27 | 3.56                                     | 3.44 | 3.13 |
| 75 x 170                                                              | 4.49                  | 4.33 | 3.96 | 4.29                                     | 4.13 | 3.77 | 4.11                                     | 3.96 | 3.61 |
| 75 x 195                                                              | 5.13                  | 4.95 | 4.53 | 4.89                                     | 4.72 | 4.31 | 4.70                                     | 4.53 | 4.13 |
| 75 x 220                                                              | 5.76                  | 5.56 | 5.09 | 5.50                                     | 5.30 | 4.85 | 5.28                                     | 5.09 | 4.65 |
| CLS/ALS                                                               |                       |      |      |                                          |      |      |                                          |      |      |
| 38 x 140                                                              | 2.84                  | 2.79 | 2.62 | 2.68                                     | 2.63 | 2.48 | 2.56                                     | 2.51 | 2.37 |
| 38 x 184                                                              | 3.92                  | 3.77 | 3.43 | 3.73                                     | 3.58 | 3.25 | 3.56                                     | 3.43 | 3.11 |

**Table 4B.38 Maximum clear span of flat roof joists (m); Access only for cleaning and maintenance; Imposed load 1.00 kN/m<sup>2</sup>; Timber strength class C24**

**C24**

| Dead Load [kN/m <sup>2</sup> ] excluding the self weight of the joist |                       |      |      |                                          |      |      |                                          |      |      |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|------|------|------------------------------------------|------|------|------------------------------------------|------|------|
| Size of joist<br>(mm)                                                 | Not more than 0.50    |      |      | More than 0.50 but<br>not more than 0.75 |      |      | More than 0.75 but<br>not more than 1.00 |      |      |
|                                                                       | Spacing of joist (mm) |      |      |                                          |      |      |                                          |      |      |
|                                                                       | 400                   | 450  | 600  | 400                                      | 450  | 600  | 400                                      | 450  | 600  |
| 38 x 97                                                               | 1.84                  | 1.82 | 1.76 | 1.76                                     | 1.73 | 1.66 | 1.69                                     | 1.66 | 1.59 |
| 38 x 120                                                              | 2.50                  | 2.46 | 2.37 | 2.37                                     | 2.33 | 2.22 | 2.27                                     | 2.22 | 2.11 |
| 38 x 145                                                              | 3.18                  | 3.13 | 2.86 | 3.00                                     | 2.94 | 2.71 | 2.85                                     | 2.79 | 2.59 |
| 38 x 170                                                              | 3.77                  | 3.63 | 3.30 | 3.58                                     | 3.45 | 3.13 | 3.40                                     | 3.30 | 2.99 |
| 38 x 195                                                              | 4.31                  | 4.15 | 3.78 | 4.10                                     | 3.95 | 3.59 | 3.93                                     | 3.78 | 3.43 |
| 38 x 220                                                              | 4.85                  | 4.67 | 4.25 | 4.61                                     | 4.44 | 4.04 | 4.42                                     | 4.25 | 3.86 |
| 47 x 97                                                               | 2.03                  | 2.00 | 1.94 | 1.94                                     | 1.91 | 1.83 | 1.86                                     | 1.83 | 1.74 |
| 47 x 120                                                              | 2.74                  | 2.70 | 2.55 | 2.60                                     | 2.55 | 2.42 | 2.48                                     | 2.43 | 2.30 |
| 47 x 145                                                              | 3.47                  | 3.37 | 3.07 | 3.27                                     | 3.21 | 2.91 | 3.11                                     | 3.04 | 2.79 |
| 47 x 170                                                              | 4.03                  | 3.88 | 3.54 | 3.84                                     | 3.70 | 3.36 | 3.68                                     | 3.54 | 3.22 |
| 47 x 195                                                              | 4.61                  | 4.44 | 4.05 | 4.39                                     | 4.23 | 3.85 | 4.21                                     | 4.05 | 3.68 |
| 47 x 220                                                              | 5.18                  | 5.00 | 4.56 | 4.94                                     | 4.76 | 4.33 | 4.73                                     | 4.56 | 4.15 |
| 50 x 97                                                               | 2.08                  | 2.06 | 1.99 | 1.99                                     | 1.96 | 1.88 | 1.91                                     | 1.88 | 1.79 |
| 50 x 120                                                              | 2.81                  | 2.77 | 2.60 | 2.66                                     | 2.62 | 2.47 | 2.54                                     | 2.49 | 2.36 |
| 50 x 145                                                              | 3.56                  | 3.44 | 3.13 | 3.35                                     | 3.27 | 2.97 | 3.19                                     | 3.12 | 2.85 |
| 50 x 170                                                              | 4.11                  | 3.96 | 3.61 | 3.92                                     | 3.77 | 3.43 | 3.75                                     | 3.61 | 3.28 |
| 50 x 195                                                              | 4.70                  | 4.53 | 4.13 | 4.48                                     | 4.31 | 3.93 | 4.29                                     | 4.13 | 3.76 |
| 50 x 220                                                              | 5.28                  | 5.09 | 4.65 | 5.04                                     | 4.85 | 4.42 | 4.83                                     | 4.65 | 4.23 |
| 63 x 97                                                               | 2.31                  | 2.28 | 2.20 | 2.20                                     | 2.16 | 2.07 | 2.11                                     | 2.07 | 1.97 |
| 63 x 120                                                              | 3.10                  | 3.05 | 2.81 | 2.93                                     | 2.88 | 2.67 | 2.80                                     | 2.74 | 2.56 |
| 63 x 145                                                              | 3.84                  | 3.70 | 3.38 | 3.66                                     | 3.52 | 3.21 | 3.49                                     | 3.38 | 3.07 |
| 63 x 170                                                              | 4.42                  | 4.26 | 3.89 | 4.21                                     | 4.06 | 3.70 | 4.04                                     | 3.89 | 3.54 |
| 63 x 195                                                              | 5.05                  | 4.87 | 4.45 | 4.81                                     | 4.64 | 4.24 | 4.62                                     | 4.45 | 4.06 |
| 63 x 220                                                              | 5.67                  | 5.47 | 5.00 | 5.41                                     | 5.22 | 4.76 | 5.19                                     | 5.00 | 4.56 |
| 75 x 120                                                              | 3.33                  | 3.26 | 2.97 | 3.14                                     | 3.08 | 2.83 | 2.99                                     | 2.93 | 2.71 |
| 75 x 145                                                              | 4.05                  | 3.91 | 3.57 | 3.86                                     | 3.72 | 3.40 | 3.71                                     | 3.57 | 3.25 |
| 75 x 170                                                              | 4.66                  | 4.50 | 4.11 | 4.45                                     | 4.29 | 3.92 | 4.27                                     | 4.11 | 3.75 |
| 75 x 195                                                              | 5.32                  | 5.14 | 4.70 | 5.08                                     | 4.90 | 4.48 | 4.88                                     | 4.70 | 4.29 |
| 75 x 220                                                              | 5.97                  | 5.77 | 5.28 | 5.70                                     | 5.50 | 5.04 | 5.48                                     | 5.28 | 4.83 |
| CLS/ALS                                                               |                       |      |      |                                          |      |      |                                          |      |      |
| 38 x 140                                                              | 2.99                  | 2.94 | 2.72 | 2.82                                     | 2.77 | 2.59 | 2.69                                     | 2.63 | 2.47 |
| 38 x 184                                                              | 4.07                  | 3.92 | 3.57 | 3.87                                     | 3.73 | 3.39 | 3.71                                     | 3.57 | 3.24 |

**Table 4B.39 Maximum clear span of flat roof joists (m); Access not limited to the purposes of cleaning and maintenance; Imposed load 1.50 kN/ m<sup>2</sup>; Timber strength class C16**

**C16**

| Dead Load [kN/m <sup>2</sup> ] excluding the self weight of the joist |                       |      |      |                                          |      |      |                                          |      |      |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|------|------|------------------------------------------|------|------|------------------------------------------|------|------|
| Size of joist<br>(mm)                                                 | Not more than 0.50    |      |      | More than 0.50 but<br>not more than 0.75 |      |      | More than 0.75 but<br>not more than 1.00 |      |      |
|                                                                       | Spacing of joist (mm) |      |      |                                          |      |      |                                          |      |      |
|                                                                       | 400                   | 450  | 600  | 400                                      | 450  | 600  | 400                                      | 450  | 600  |
| 38 x 120                                                              | 1.80                  | 1.79 | 1.74 | 1.74                                     | 1.71 | 1.65 | 1.68                                     | 1.65 | 1.57 |
| 38 x 145                                                              | 2.35                  | 2.33 | 2.27 | 2.27                                     | 2.25 | 2.18 | 2.21                                     | 2.18 | 2.09 |
| 38 x 170                                                              | 2.88                  | 2.85 | 2.77 | 2.77                                     | 2.74 | 2.64 | 2.68                                     | 2.64 | 2.53 |
| 38 x 195                                                              | 3.47                  | 3.43 | 3.29 | 3.33                                     | 3.28 | 3.16 | 3.21                                     | 3.16 | 3.02 |
| 38 x 220                                                              | 4.08                  | 4.03 | 3.71 | 3.90                                     | 3.84 | 3.56 | 3.75                                     | 3.68 | 3.43 |
| 47 x 120                                                              | 2.00                  | 1.99 | 1.94 | 1.94                                     | 1.93 | 1.87 | 1.89                                     | 1.87 | 1.81 |
| 47 x 145                                                              | 2.60                  | 2.58 | 2.51 | 2.51                                     | 2.48 | 2.40 | 2.44                                     | 2.40 | 2.31 |
| 47 x 170                                                              | 3.18                  | 3.14 | 3.06 | 3.06                                     | 3.02 | 2.91 | 2.95                                     | 2.91 | 2.78 |
| 47 x 195                                                              | 3.82                  | 3.78 | 3.54 | 3.66                                     | 3.61 | 3.40 | 3.52                                     | 3.46 | 3.28 |
| 47 x 220                                                              | 4.48                  | 4.38 | 3.99 | 4.27                                     | 4.20 | 3.83 | 4.10                                     | 4.03 | 3.70 |
| 50 x 120                                                              | 2.06                  | 2.05 | 2.00 | 2.00                                     | 1.98 | 1.93 | 1.95                                     | 1.93 | 1.86 |
| 50 x 145                                                              | 2.68                  | 2.65 | 2.59 | 2.59                                     | 2.56 | 2.47 | 2.51                                     | 2.47 | 2.38 |
| 50 x 170                                                              | 3.27                  | 3.23 | 3.14 | 3.14                                     | 3.10 | 2.99 | 3.04                                     | 2.99 | 2.86 |
| 50 x 195                                                              | 3.93                  | 3.88 | 3.61 | 3.76                                     | 3.70 | 3.47 | 3.62                                     | 3.56 | 3.35 |
| 50 x 220                                                              | 4.60                  | 4.47 | 4.07 | 4.38                                     | 4.30 | 3.91 | 4.21                                     | 4.13 | 3.78 |
| 63 x 97                                                               | 1.67                  | 1.66 | 1.63 | 1.63                                     | 1.61 | 1.57 | 1.59                                     | 1.57 | 1.53 |
| 63 x 120                                                              | 2.31                  | 2.29 | 2.24 | 2.24                                     | 2.21 | 2.15 | 2.17                                     | 2.15 | 2.07 |
| 63 x 145                                                              | 2.98                  | 2.95 | 2.87 | 2.87                                     | 2.84 | 2.74 | 2.78                                     | 2.74 | 2.63 |
| 63 x 170                                                              | 3.62                  | 3.59 | 3.41 | 3.48                                     | 3.43 | 3.28 | 3.36                                     | 3.30 | 3.16 |
| 63 x 195                                                              | 4.34                  | 4.29 | 3.90 | 4.15                                     | 4.08 | 3.75 | 3.99                                     | 3.92 | 3.62 |
| 63 x 220                                                              | 5.00                  | 4.82 | 4.39 | 4.82                                     | 4.64 | 4.22 | 4.62                                     | 4.48 | 4.08 |
| 75 x 120                                                              | 2.50                  | 2.48 | 2.42 | 2.42                                     | 2.40 | 2.32 | 2.35                                     | 2.32 | 2.24 |
| 75 x 145                                                              | 3.23                  | 3.19 | 3.11 | 3.11                                     | 3.07 | 2.96 | 3.00                                     | 2.96 | 2.84 |
| 75 x 170                                                              | 3.91                  | 3.87 | 3.61 | 3.75                                     | 3.69 | 3.47 | 3.61                                     | 3.55 | 3.35 |
| 75 x 195                                                              | 4.66                  | 4.53 | 4.13 | 4.45                                     | 4.36 | 3.97 | 4.28                                     | 4.20 | 3.84 |
| 75 x 220                                                              | 5.28                  | 5.09 | 4.65 | 5.09                                     | 4.90 | 4.47 | 4.92                                     | 4.74 | 4.32 |
| CLS/ALS                                                               |                       |      |      |                                          |      |      |                                          |      |      |
| 38 x 140                                                              | 2.19                  | 2.17 | 2.12 | 2.12                                     | 2.10 | 2.04 | 2.07                                     | 2.04 | 1.94 |
| 38 x 184                                                              | 3.21                  | 3.17 | 3.08 | 3.08                                     | 3.04 | 2.93 | 2.98                                     | 2.93 | 2.80 |

**Table 4B.40 Maximum clear span of flat roof joists (m); Access not limited to the purposes of cleaning and maintenance; Imposed load 1.50 kN/m<sup>2</sup>; Timber strength class C24**

**C24**

| Dead Load [kN/m <sup>2</sup> ] excluding the self weight of the joist |                       |      |      |                                          |      |      |                                          |      |      |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|------|------|------------------------------------------|------|------|------------------------------------------|------|------|
| Size of joist<br>(mm)                                                 | Not more than 0.50    |      |      | More than 0.50 but<br>not more than 0.75 |      |      | More than 0.75 but<br>not more than 1.00 |      |      |
|                                                                       | Spacing of joist (mm) |      |      |                                          |      |      |                                          |      |      |
|                                                                       | 400                   | 450  | 600  | 400                                      | 450  | 600  | 400                                      | 450  | 600  |
| 38 x 120                                                              | 1.91                  | 1.90 | 1.86 | 1.86                                     | 1.84 | 1.79 | 1.81                                     | 1.79 | 1.73 |
| 38 x 145                                                              | 2.49                  | 2.46 | 2.40 | 2.40                                     | 2.38 | 2.30 | 2.33                                     | 2.30 | 2.21 |
| 38 x 170                                                              | 3.04                  | 3.01 | 2.93 | 2.93                                     | 2.89 | 2.79 | 2.83                                     | 2.79 | 2.67 |
| 38 x 195                                                              | 3.66                  | 3.62 | 3.43 | 3.51                                     | 3.46 | 3.29 | 3.38                                     | 3.33 | 3.18 |
| 38 x 220                                                              | 4.30                  | 4.25 | 3.86 | 4.10                                     | 4.04 | 3.71 | 3.94                                     | 3.87 | 3.58 |
| 47 x 120                                                              | 2.12                  | 2.10 | 2.06 | 2.06                                     | 2.04 | 1.98 | 2.00                                     | 1.98 | 1.91 |
| 47 x 145                                                              | 2.75                  | 2.73 | 2.66 | 2.66                                     | 2.62 | 2.54 | 2.57                                     | 2.54 | 2.44 |
| 47 x 170                                                              | 3.35                  | 3.32 | 3.22 | 3.22                                     | 3.18 | 3.06 | 3.11                                     | 3.06 | 2.93 |
| 47 x 195                                                              | 4.03                  | 3.98 | 3.68 | 3.85                                     | 3.80 | 3.54 | 3.71                                     | 3.64 | 3.42 |
| 47 x 220                                                              | 4.71                  | 4.56 | 4.15 | 4.49                                     | 4.39 | 3.99 | 4.31                                     | 4.23 | 3.85 |
| 50 x 120                                                              | 2.19                  | 2.17 | 2.12 | 2.12                                     | 2.10 | 2.04 | 2.06                                     | 2.04 | 1.97 |
| 50 x 145                                                              | 2.83                  | 2.81 | 2.73 | 2.73                                     | 2.70 | 2.61 | 2.65                                     | 2.61 | 2.51 |
| 50 x 170                                                              | 3.45                  | 3.41 | 3.28 | 3.31                                     | 3.27 | 3.15 | 3.20                                     | 3.15 | 3.01 |
| 50 x 195                                                              | 4.14                  | 4.09 | 3.76 | 3.96                                     | 3.90 | 3.61 | 3.81                                     | 3.74 | 3.49 |
| 50 x 220                                                              | 4.83                  | 4.65 | 4.23 | 4.61                                     | 4.47 | 4.07 | 4.42                                     | 4.32 | 3.93 |
| 63 x 97                                                               | 1.77                  | 1.75 | 1.72 | 1.72                                     | 1.71 | 1.66 | 1.68                                     | 1.66 | 1.61 |
| 63 x 120                                                              | 2.44                  | 2.42 | 2.36 | 2.36                                     | 2.34 | 2.27 | 2.30                                     | 2.27 | 2.18 |
| 63 x 145                                                              | 3.15                  | 3.12 | 3.03 | 3.03                                     | 2.99 | 2.89 | 2.93                                     | 2.89 | 2.77 |
| 63 x 170                                                              | 3.82                  | 3.78 | 3.54 | 3.66                                     | 3.61 | 3.41 | 3.53                                     | 3.47 | 3.29 |
| 63 x 195                                                              | 4.56                  | 4.45 | 4.06 | 4.36                                     | 4.29 | 3.90 | 4.19                                     | 4.11 | 3.77 |
| 63 x 220                                                              | 5.19                  | 5.00 | 4.56 | 5.00                                     | 4.82 | 4.39 | 4.84                                     | 4.66 | 4.24 |
| 75 x 120                                                              | 2.64                  | 2.62 | 2.56 | 2.56                                     | 2.53 | 2.45 | 2.48                                     | 2.45 | 2.36 |
| 75 x 145                                                              | 3.40                  | 3.36 | 3.25 | 3.27                                     | 3.23 | 3.11 | 3.16                                     | 3.11 | 2.98 |
| 75 x 170                                                              | 4.11                  | 4.07 | 3.75 | 3.94                                     | 3.88 | 3.61 | 3.79                                     | 3.73 | 3.49 |
| 75 x 195                                                              | 4.79                  | 4.70 | 4.29 | 4.67                                     | 4.53 | 4.13 | 4.49                                     | 4.38 | 3.99 |
| 75 x 220                                                              | 5.48                  | 5.28 | 4.83 | 5.28                                     | 5.09 | 4.65 | 5.11                                     | 4.93 | 4.49 |
| CLS/ALS                                                               |                       |      |      |                                          |      |      |                                          |      |      |
| 38 x 140                                                              | 2.32                  | 2.30 | 2.25 | 2.25                                     | 2.22 | 2.16 | 2.19                                     | 2.16 | 2.08 |
| 38 x 184                                                              | 3.39                  | 3.35 | 3.24 | 3.25                                     | 3.21 | 3.09 | 3.14                                     | 3.09 | 2.95 |

## Purlins supporting decking or sheeting

4B.15 Tables 4B.41 to 4B.44 give the maximum clear span of purlins supporting decking or sheeting on roofs that have a pitch greater than 10° but not greater than 35°. The timber strength class used in the tables is C16 and C24.

The sizes, spacings and spans given will safely support the dead loads stated in the tables, together with a maximum imposed load of 0.75 kN/m<sup>2</sup> or 1.00 kN/m<sup>2</sup>, measured on plan, or a concentrated load of 0.9 kN. It is assumed in the tables that access is limited for the purpose of cleaning and maintenance only.

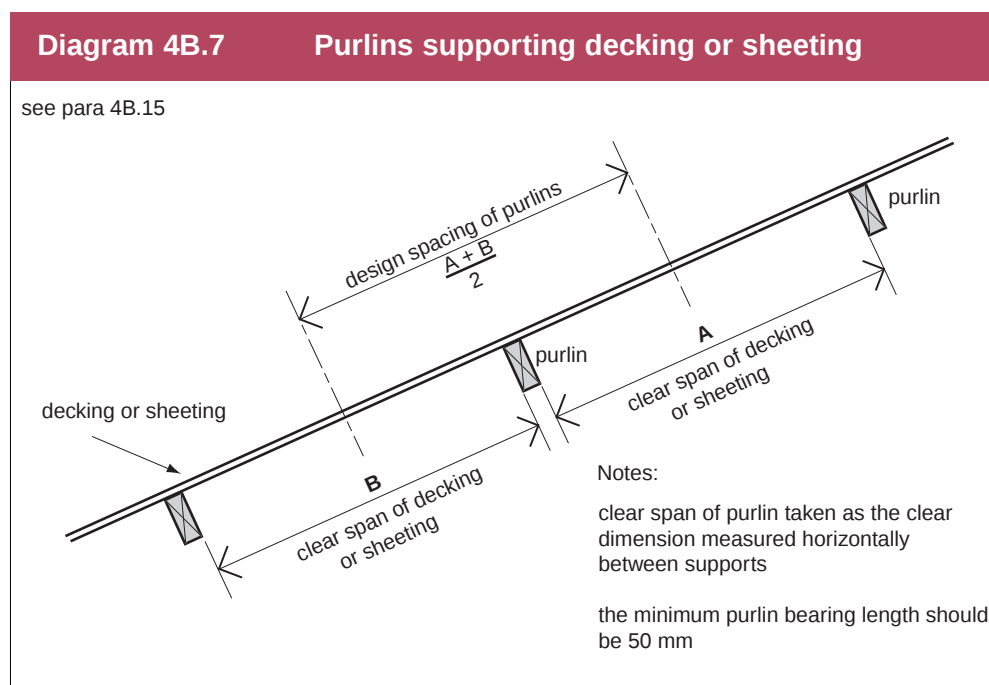
BS 6399: Part 3, permits a reduction in imposed roof loading for a pitch over 30°. This reduction has been noted in the tables because the tabulated spans are based on a pitch of 10° as giving the most onerous case for the range of spans between 10° and 35°.

The section sizes given in the tables are either sawn in accordance with tolerance class 1 of BS EN 336, or are CLS/ALS processed sizes in accordance with tolerance class 2 of BS EN 336.

The tabulated purlin sizes are designed to resist only the load component perpendicular to the roof pitch with purlins installed normal to the roof pitch. Designers should ensure that the roof construction can satisfactorily accommodate the component of load parallel to the roof pitch.

Notching or drilling of the purlins should not be carried out unless justified by specialist calculation.

See Diagram 4B.7.



**Table 4B.41 Maximum clear span of purlins supporting decking or sheeting (m); Roof pitch more than 10° but not more than 35°; Imposed load of 0.75 kN/m<sup>2</sup>; Timber strength class C16**

**C16**

| Dead Load [kN/m <sup>2</sup> ] excluding the self weight of the purlin |                                |      |      |      |      |      |                                          |      |      |      |      |      |                                          |      |      |      |      |      |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------------------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------------------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Size of purlin<br>(mm)                                                 | Not more than 0.25             |      |      |      |      |      | More than 0.25 but<br>not more than 0.50 |      |      |      |      |      | More than 0.50 but<br>not more than 0.75 |      |      |      |      |      |
|                                                                        | Design spacing of purlins (mm) |      |      |      |      |      |                                          |      |      |      |      |      |                                          |      |      |      |      |      |
|                                                                        | 900                            | 1200 | 1500 | 1800 | 2100 | 2400 | 900                                      | 1200 | 1500 | 1800 | 2100 | 2400 | 900                                      | 1200 | 1500 | 1800 | 2100 | 2400 |
| 50 x 100                                                               | 1.68                           | 1.63 | 1.51 | 1.42 | 1.34 | 1.28 | 1.55                                     | 1.48 | 1.40 | 1.31 | 1.24 | 1.18 | 1.45                                     | 1.37 | 1.31 | 1.22 | 1.16 | 1.10 |
| 50 x 125                                                               | 2.24                           | 2.03 | 1.88 | 1.77 | 1.67 | 1.60 | 2.06                                     | 1.88 | 1.74 | 1.63 | 1.54 | 1.47 | 1.91                                     | 1.77 | 1.63 | 1.53 | 1.44 | 1.37 |
| 50 x 150                                                               | 2.68                           | 2.44 | 2.26 | 2.12 | 2.01 | 1.91 | 2.49                                     | 2.26 | 2.09 | 1.96 | 1.85 | 1.76 | 2.34                                     | 2.12 | 1.96 | 1.83 | 1.73 | 1.65 |
| 50 x 175                                                               | 3.12                           | 2.84 | 2.63 | 2.47 | 2.34 | 2.23 | 2.90                                     | 2.63 | 2.43 | 2.28 | 2.16 | 2.06 | 2.72                                     | 2.47 | 2.28 | 2.13 | 2.02 | 1.92 |
| 50 x 200                                                               | 3.56                           | 3.24 | 3.00 | 2.82 | 2.67 | 2.55 | 3.31                                     | 3.00 | 2.78 | 2.60 | 2.46 | 2.35 | 3.11                                     | 2.81 | 2.60 | 2.44 | 2.30 | 2.19 |
| 50 x 225                                                               | 4.00                           | 3.63 | 3.37 | 3.17 | 3.00 | 2.86 | 3.71                                     | 3.37 | 3.12 | 2.93 | 2.77 | 2.64 | 3.49                                     | 3.16 | 2.92 | 2.74 | 2.59 | 2.47 |
| 63 x 100                                                               | 1.87                           | 1.77 | 1.64 | 1.54 | 1.46 | 1.39 | 1.72                                     | 1.64 | 1.51 | 1.42 | 1.34 | 1.28 | 1.60                                     | 1.52 | 1.42 | 1.33 | 1.26 | 1.20 |
| 63 x 125                                                               | 2.42                           | 2.20 | 2.04 | 1.92 | 1.82 | 1.73 | 2.25                                     | 2.04 | 1.89 | 1.77 | 1.68 | 1.60 | 2.10                                     | 1.91 | 1.77 | 1.66 | 1.57 | 1.50 |
| 63 x 150                                                               | 2.90                           | 2.63 | 2.44 | 2.30 | 2.18 | 2.08 | 2.69                                     | 2.44 | 2.26 | 2.12 | 2.01 | 1.92 | 2.53                                     | 2.29 | 2.12 | 2.00 | 1.88 | 1.79 |
| 63 x 175                                                               | 3.37                           | 3.07 | 2.85 | 2.67 | 2.54 | 2.42 | 3.13                                     | 2.84 | 2.63 | 2.47 | 2.34 | 2.23 | 2.94                                     | 2.67 | 2.47 | 2.32 | 2.19 | 2.09 |
| 63 x 200                                                               | 3.84                           | 3.50 | 3.25 | 3.05 | 2.89 | 2.76 | 3.57                                     | 3.24 | 3.01 | 2.82 | 2.67 | 2.55 | 3.36                                     | 3.05 | 2.82 | 2.65 | 2.51 | 2.39 |
| 63 x 225                                                               | 4.31                           | 3.92 | 3.64 | 3.43 | 3.25 | 3.10 | 4.01                                     | 3.64 | 3.38 | 3.17 | 3.01 | 2.87 | 3.77                                     | 3.42 | 3.17 | 2.97 | 2.82 | 2.68 |

**Table 4B.42 Maximum clear span of purlins supporting decking or sheeting (m); Roof pitch more than 10° but not more than 35°; Imposed load of 0.75 kN/m<sup>2</sup>; Timber strength class C24**

**C24**

| Dead Load [kN/m <sup>2</sup> ] excluding the self weight of the purlin |                                |      |      |      |      |      |                                          |      |      |      |      |      |                                          |      |      |      |      |      |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------------------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------------------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Size of purlin<br>(mm)                                                 | Not more than 0.25             |      |      |      |      |      | More than 0.25 but<br>not more than 0.50 |      |      |      |      |      | More than 0.50 but<br>not more than 0.75 |      |      |      |      |      |
|                                                                        | Design spacing of purlins (mm) |      |      |      |      |      |                                          |      |      |      |      |      |                                          |      |      |      |      |      |
|                                                                        | 900                            | 1200 | 1500 | 1800 | 2100 | 2400 | 900                                      | 1200 | 1500 | 1800 | 2100 | 2400 | 900                                      | 1200 | 1500 | 1800 | 2100 | 2400 |
| 50 x 100                                                               | 1.79                           | 1.71 | 1.58 | 1.48 | 1.40 | 1.34 | 1.64                                     | 1.57 | 1.46 | 1.37 | 1.30 | 1.23 | 1.53                                     | 1.45 | 1.37 | 1.28 | 1.21 | 1.15 |
| 50 x 125                                                               | 2.34                           | 2.13 | 1.97 | 1.85 | 1.75 | 1.67 | 2.17                                     | 1.97 | 1.82 | 1.71 | 1.62 | 1.54 | 2.02                                     | 1.85 | 1.71 | 1.60 | 1.51 | 1.44 |
| 50 x 150                                                               | 2.80                           | 2.55 | 2.36 | 2.22 | 2.10 | 2.00 | 2.60                                     | 2.36 | 2.18 | 2.05 | 1.94 | 1.85 | 2.44                                     | 2.21 | 2.05 | 1.92 | 1.81 | 1.73 |
| 50 x 175                                                               | 3.26                           | 2.97 | 2.75 | 2.58 | 2.45 | 2.34 | 3.03                                     | 2.75 | 2.54 | 2.39 | 2.26 | 2.15 | 2.85                                     | 2.58 | 2.39 | 2.24 | 2.12 | 2.01 |
| 50 x 200                                                               | 3.72                           | 3.38 | 3.14 | 2.95 | 2.79 | 2.67 | 3.45                                     | 3.13 | 2.90 | 2.73 | 2.58 | 2.46 | 3.25                                     | 2.94 | 2.72 | 2.55 | 2.42 | 2.30 |
| 50 x 225                                                               | 4.17                           | 3.80 | 3.52 | 3.31 | 3.14 | 3.00 | 3.88                                     | 3.52 | 3.26 | 3.06 | 2.90 | 2.77 | 3.65                                     | 3.31 | 3.06 | 2.87 | 2.72 | 2.59 |
| 63 x 100                                                               | 1.99                           | 1.84 | 1.71 | 1.61 | 1.52 | 1.45 | 1.81                                     | 1.71 | 1.58 | 1.49 | 1.41 | 1.34 | 1.69                                     | 1.60 | 1.48 | 1.39 | 1.32 | 1.26 |
| 63 x 125                                                               | 2.53                           | 2.30 | 2.13 | 2.00 | 1.90 | 1.81 | 2.35                                     | 2.13 | 1.97 | 1.85 | 1.76 | 1.68 | 2.21                                     | 2.00 | 1.85 | 1.74 | 1.65 | 1.57 |
| 63 x 150                                                               | 3.02                           | 2.75 | 2.55 | 2.40 | 2.28 | 2.17 | 2.81                                     | 2.55 | 2.37 | 2.22 | 2.10 | 2.01 | 2.64                                     | 2.40 | 2.22 | 2.08 | 1.97 | 1.88 |
| 63 x 175                                                               | 3.52                           | 3.20 | 2.97 | 2.80 | 2.65 | 2.53 | 3.27                                     | 2.97 | 2.76 | 2.59 | 2.45 | 2.34 | 3.08                                     | 2.79 | 2.59 | 2.43 | 2.30 | 2.19 |
| 63 x 200                                                               | 4.01                           | 3.65 | 3.39 | 3.19 | 3.03 | 2.89 | 3.73                                     | 3.39 | 3.14 | 2.95 | 2.80 | 2.67 | 3.51                                     | 3.19 | 2.95 | 2.77 | 2.62 | 2.50 |
| 63 x 225                                                               | 4.49                           | 4.10 | 3.81 | 3.58 | 3.40 | 3.25 | 4.18                                     | 3.80 | 3.53 | 3.32 | 3.15 | 3.00 | 3.94                                     | 3.58 | 3.32 | 3.11 | 2.95 | 2.81 |

**Table 4B.43 Maximum clear span of purlins supporting decking or sheeting (m); Roof pitch more than 10° but not more than 35°; Imposed load of 1.00 kN/m<sup>2</sup>; Timber strength class C16**

**C16**

| Dead Load [kN/m <sup>2</sup> ] excluding the self weight of the purlin |                                |      |      |      |      |      |                                          |      |      |      |      |      |                                          |      |      |      |      |      |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------------------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------------------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Size of purlin<br>(mm)                                                 | Not more than 0.25             |      |      |      |      |      | More than 0.25 but<br>not more than 0.50 |      |      |      |      |      | More than 0.50 but<br>not more than 0.75 |      |      |      |      |      |
|                                                                        | Design spacing of purlins (mm) |      |      |      |      |      |                                          |      |      |      |      |      |                                          |      |      |      |      |      |
|                                                                        | 900                            | 1200 | 1500 | 1800 | 2100 | 2400 | 900                                      | 1200 | 1500 | 1800 | 2100 | 2400 | 900                                      | 1200 | 1500 | 1800 | 2100 | 2400 |
| 50 x 100                                                               | 1.67                           | 1.51 | 1.40 | 1.31 | 1.24 | 1.18 | 1.55                                     | 1.42 | 1.31 | 1.22 | 1.16 | 1.10 | 1.45                                     | 1.34 | 1.24 | 1.16 | 1.09 | 1.04 |
| 50 x 125                                                               | 2.08                           | 1.88 | 1.74 | 1.64 | 1.55 | 1.47 | 1.95                                     | 1.77 | 1.63 | 1.53 | 1.45 | 1.38 | 1.85                                     | 1.67 | 1.54 | 1.44 | 1.36 | 1.30 |
| 50 x 150                                                               | 2.49                           | 2.26 | 2.09 | 1.96 | 1.85 | 1.77 | 2.34                                     | 2.12 | 1.96 | 1.83 | 1.73 | 1.65 | 2.22                                     | 2.00 | 1.85 | 1.73 | 1.64 | 1.56 |
| 50 x 175                                                               | 2.90                           | 2.63 | 2.43 | 2.28 | 2.16 | 2.06 | 2.73                                     | 2.47 | 2.28 | 2.14 | 2.02 | 1.92 | 2.58                                     | 2.34 | 2.16 | 2.02 | 1.91 | 1.81 |
| 50 x 200                                                               | 3.31                           | 3.00 | 2.78 | 2.61 | 2.47 | 2.35 | 3.11                                     | 2.82 | 2.60 | 2.44 | 2.31 | 2.20 | 2.95                                     | 2.67 | 2.46 | 2.31 | 2.18 | 2.07 |
| 50 x 225                                                               | 3.72                           | 3.37 | 3.12 | 2.93 | 2.77 | 2.64 | 3.49                                     | 3.16 | 2.93 | 2.74 | 2.59 | 2.47 | 3.31                                     | 3.00 | 2.77 | 2.59 | 2.45 | 2.31 |
| 63 x 100                                                               | 1.80                           | 1.64 | 1.51 | 1.42 | 1.35 | 1.28 | 1.69                                     | 1.54 | 1.42 | 1.33 | 1.26 | 1.20 | 1.60                                     | 1.45 | 1.34 | 1.26 | 1.19 | 1.13 |
| 63 x 125                                                               | 2.25                           | 2.04 | 1.89 | 1.77 | 1.68 | 1.60 | 2.11                                     | 1.92 | 1.77 | 1.66 | 1.57 | 1.50 | 2.00                                     | 1.81 | 1.68 | 1.57 | 1.49 | 1.41 |
| 63 x 150                                                               | 2.69                           | 2.44 | 2.26 | 2.13 | 2.01 | 1.92 | 2.53                                     | 2.29 | 2.12 | 1.99 | 1.88 | 1.80 | 2.40                                     | 2.17 | 2.01 | 1.88 | 1.78 | 1.70 |
| 63 x 175                                                               | 3.13                           | 2.85 | 2.64 | 2.48 | 2.35 | 2.24 | 2.95                                     | 2.67 | 2.47 | 2.32 | 2.20 | 2.09 | 2.80                                     | 2.53 | 2.34 | 2.20 | 2.08 | 1.98 |
| 63 x 200                                                               | 3.57                           | 3.25 | 3.01 | 2.83 | 2.68 | 2.55 | 3.36                                     | 3.05 | 2.82 | 2.65 | 2.51 | 2.39 | 3.19                                     | 2.89 | 2.67 | 2.51 | 2.37 | 2.26 |
| 63 x 225                                                               | 4.01                           | 3.65 | 3.38 | 3.18 | 3.01 | 2.87 | 3.77                                     | 3.43 | 3.17 | 2.98 | 2.82 | 2.69 | 3.58                                     | 3.25 | 3.01 | 2.82 | 2.67 | 2.54 |

**Table 4B.44 Maximum clear span of purlins supporting decking or sheeting; Roof pitch more than 10° but not more than 35°; Imposed load of 1.00 kN/m<sup>2</sup>; Timber strength class C24**

**C24**

| Dead Load [kN/m <sup>2</sup> ] excluding the self weight of the purlin |                                |      |      |      |      |      |                                          |      |      |      |      |      |                                          |      |      |      |      |      |  |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------------------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------------------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|--|
| Size of purlin<br>(mm)                                                 | Not more than 0.25             |      |      |      |      |      | More than 0.25 but<br>not more than 0.50 |      |      |      |      |      | More than 0.50 but<br>not more than 0.75 |      |      |      |      |      |  |
|                                                                        | Design spacing of purlins (mm) |      |      |      |      |      |                                          |      |      |      |      |      |                                          |      |      |      |      |      |  |
|                                                                        | 900                            | 1200 | 1500 | 1800 | 2100 | 2400 | 900                                      | 1200 | 1500 | 1800 | 2100 | 2400 | 900                                      | 1200 | 1500 | 1800 | 2100 | 2400 |  |
| 50 x 100                                                               | 1.74                           | 1.58 | 1.46 | 1.37 | 1.30 | 1.24 | 1.64                                     | 1.48 | 1.37 | 1.28 | 1.21 | 1.16 | 1.53                                     | 1.40 | 1.30 | 1.21 | 1.15 | 1.09 |  |
| 50 x 125                                                               | 2.17                           | 1.97 | 1.82 | 1.71 | 1.62 | 1.54 | 2.04                                     | 1.85 | 1.71 | 1.60 | 1.52 | 1.44 | 1.94                                     | 1.75 | 1.62 | 1.51 | 1.43 | 1.36 |  |
| 50 x 150                                                               | 2.60                           | 2.36 | 2.19 | 2.05 | 1.94 | 1.85 | 2.45                                     | 2.22 | 2.05 | 1.92 | 1.82 | 1.73 | 2.32                                     | 2.10 | 1.94 | 1.82 | 1.72 | 1.63 |  |
| 50 x 175                                                               | 3.03                           | 2.75 | 2.55 | 2.39 | 2.26 | 2.16 | 2.85                                     | 2.58 | 2.39 | 2.24 | 2.12 | 2.02 | 2.70                                     | 2.45 | 2.26 | 2.12 | 2.00 | 1.90 |  |
| 50 x 200                                                               | 3.46                           | 3.14 | 2.91 | 2.73 | 2.58 | 2.46 | 3.25                                     | 2.95 | 2.73 | 2.56 | 2.42 | 2.30 | 3.08                                     | 2.79 | 2.58 | 2.42 | 2.28 | 2.17 |  |
| 50 x 225                                                               | 3.88                           | 3.52 | 3.27 | 3.07 | 2.90 | 2.77 | 3.65                                     | 3.31 | 3.06 | 2.87 | 2.72 | 2.59 | 3.46                                     | 3.14 | 2.90 | 2.72 | 2.57 | 2.44 |  |
| 63 x 100                                                               | 1.89                           | 1.71 | 1.58 | 1.49 | 1.41 | 1.34 | 1.77                                     | 1.61 | 1.49 | 1.39 | 1.32 | 1.26 | 1.68                                     | 1.52 | 1.41 | 1.32 | 1.25 | 1.19 |  |
| 63 x 125                                                               | 2.35                           | 2.13 | 1.98 | 1.86 | 1.76 | 1.68 | 2.21                                     | 2.00 | 1.85 | 1.74 | 1.65 | 1.57 | 2.10                                     | 1.90 | 1.76 | 1.65 | 1.56 | 1.48 |  |
| 63 x 150                                                               | 2.81                           | 2.55 | 2.37 | 2.22 | 2.11 | 2.01 | 2.65                                     | 2.40 | 2.22 | 2.08 | 1.97 | 1.88 | 2.51                                     | 2.27 | 2.10 | 1.97 | 1.87 | 1.78 |  |
| 63 x 175                                                               | 3.27                           | 2.97 | 2.76 | 2.59 | 2.46 | 2.34 | 3.08                                     | 2.79 | 2.59 | 2.43 | 2.30 | 2.19 | 2.92                                     | 2.65 | 2.45 | 2.30 | 2.18 | 2.07 |  |
| 63 x 200                                                               | 3.73                           | 3.39 | 3.15 | 2.96 | 2.80 | 2.67 | 3.51                                     | 3.19 | 2.95 | 2.77 | 2.63 | 2.50 | 3.33                                     | 3.02 | 2.80 | 2.63 | 2.48 | 2.37 |  |
| 63 x 225                                                               | 4.18                           | 3.81 | 3.53 | 3.32 | 3.15 | 3.01 | 3.94                                     | 3.58 | 3.32 | 3.12 | 2.95 | 2.81 | 3.74                                     | 3.30 | 3.15 | 2.95 | 2.79 | 2.66 |  |

## 4C Masonry walls. Part 1 - Masonry walls for houses

### General

#### Application

4C.1 This Part of the Section applies to a single family house that is not more than 3 storeys in height. The walls considered are as follows –

- (a) external walls;
- (b) internal loadbearing walls;
- (c) compartment walls; and
- (d) separating walls,

provided they extend to the full storey height.

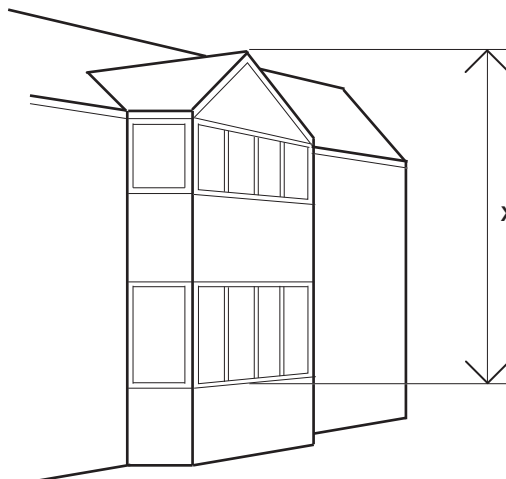
#### Exceptions

4C.2 External walls sized using this Section are not necessarily suitable for the support of building mounted wind turbines. Specialist advice from a suitably qualified person must be obtained to confirm the suitability of any wall subjected to such loading.

This Part does not apply to any portion of an external wall which is constructed as a bay for, or as a gable over, a bay window above ground floor cill level indicated as **X** in Diagram 4C.1.

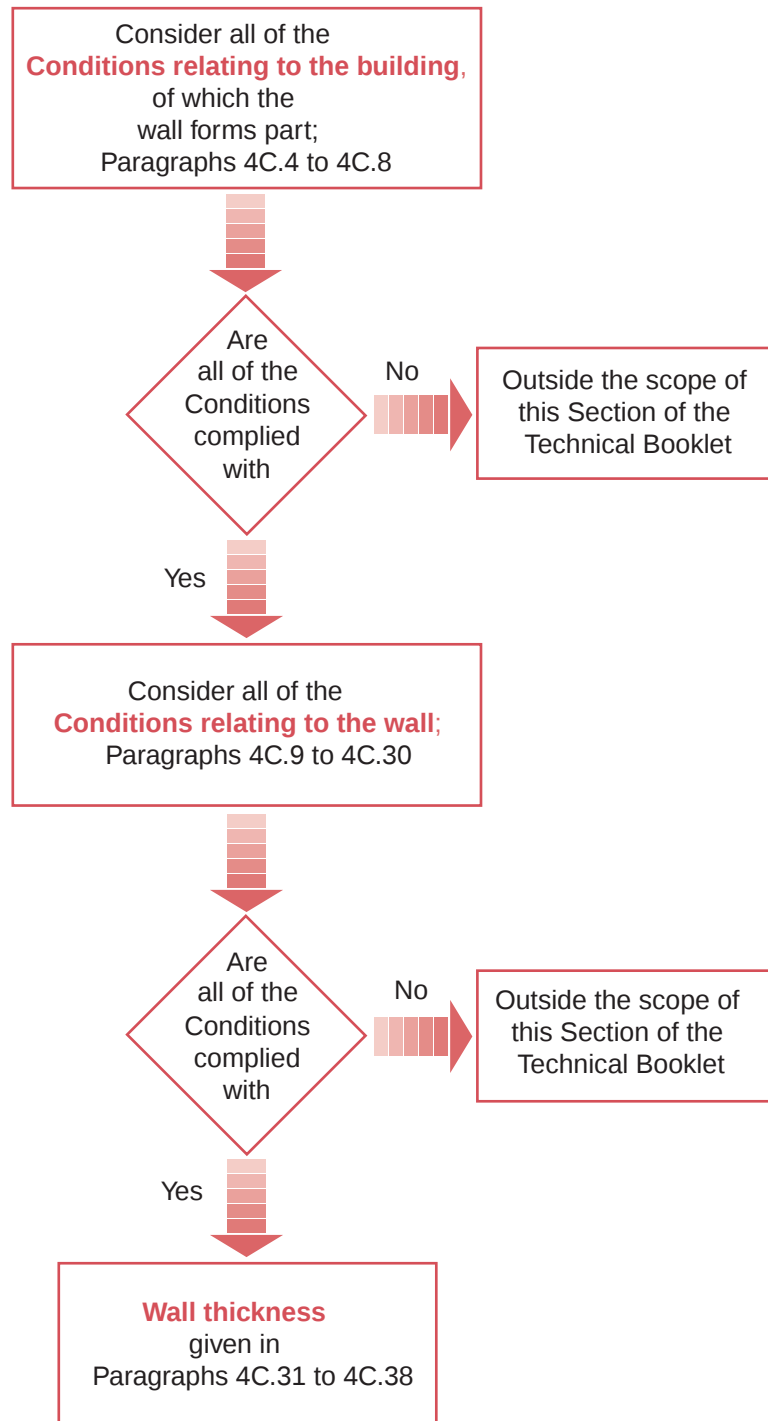
**Diagram 4C.1**      **Exclusion of wall containing a bay window**

see para 4C.2



## The use of this Part

- 4C.3 When using this Part of the Section the stability requirements in paragraph 4B.1 applies and the following procedure should be followed –



## Conditions relating to the building

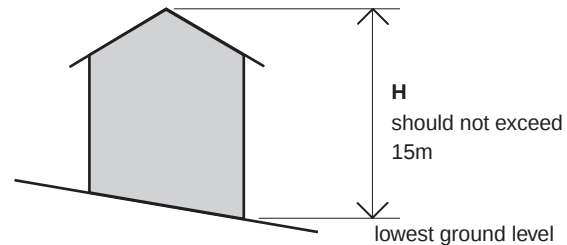
### General conditions

#### Building proportions

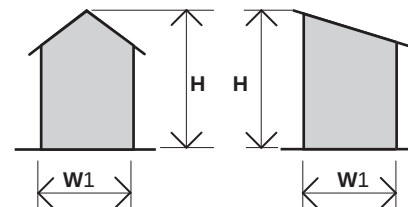
- 4C.4 The building proportions should be within the following parameters –
- (a) the maximum height of the building measured from the lowest finished ground level adjoining the building to the highest point of any wall or roof should be not greater than 15 m;
  - (b) the height of the building  $H$  should not exceed twice the least width of the building  $W1$ ; and
  - (c) the height of a wing  $H2$  should not exceed twice the least width of the wing  $W2$  when the projection  $P$  exceeds twice the width  $W2$  (see Diagram 4C.2).

**Diagram 4C.2 Size and proportion of building**

see para 4C.4



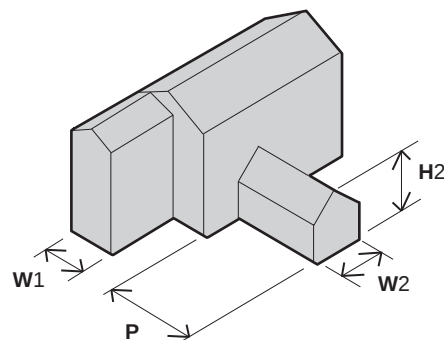
**maximum height**



$H$  should not be greater than  $2W1$

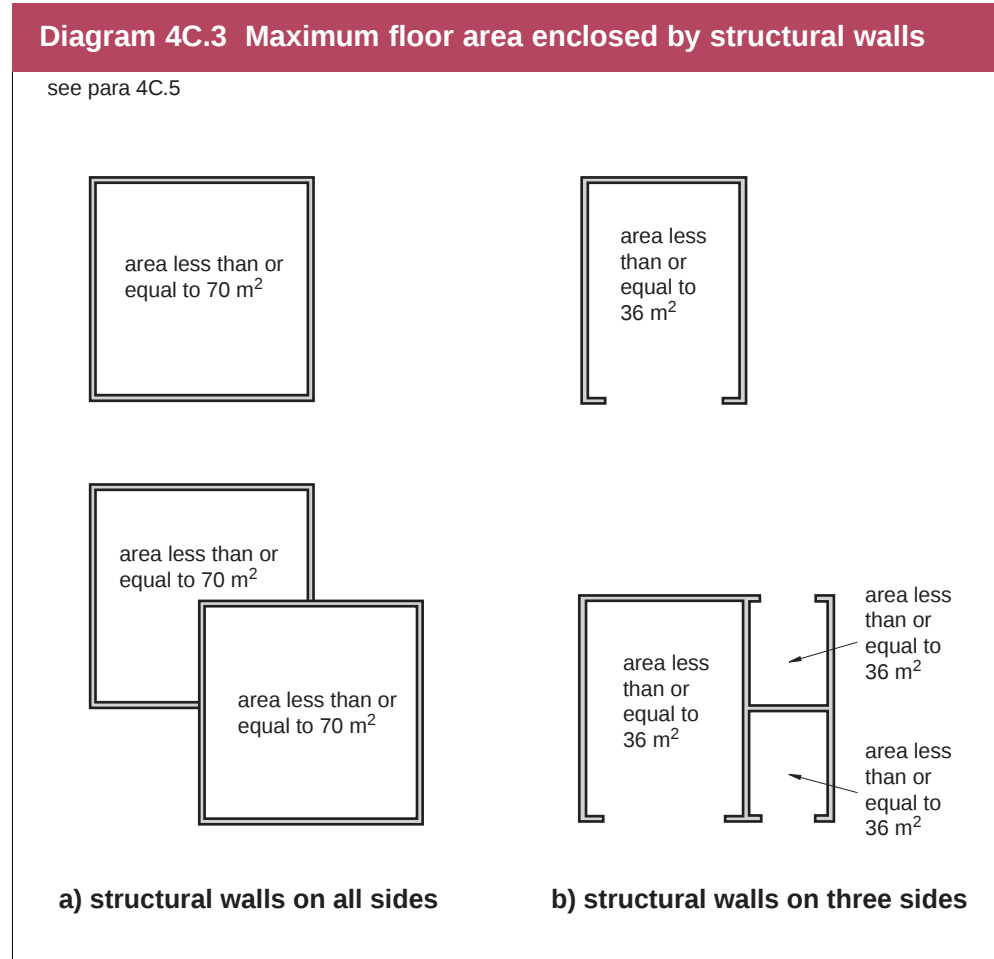
**minimum width**

if  $P$  is more than twice  $W2$  then  $H2$  should not be greater than twice  $W2$



- 4C.5 For stability, the maximum floor area enclosed by structural walls complying with the provisions of paragraphs 4C.9 to 4C.30 should be –
- (a) 70 m<sup>2</sup> where there are structural walls on all four sides; and
  - (b) 36 m<sup>2</sup> where there are only structural walls on three sides.

See Diagram 4C.3.



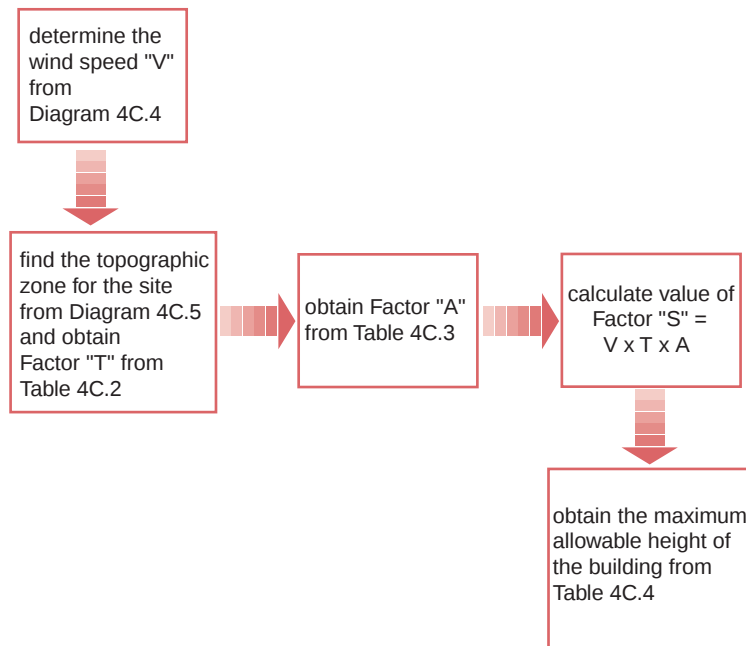
### Maximum imposed loads on roofs, floors and ceilings

- 4C.6 The maximum imposed loads on each element of the building should not exceed those given in Table 4C.1.

| Table 4C.1 Simplified maximum imposed loads |                                                                                                                                                        |
|---------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Element                                     | Loading                                                                                                                                                |
| Roof                                        | distributed load of 1.5 kN/m <sup>2</sup> for spans not greater than 6m, and 1.00 kN/m <sup>2</sup> for spans greater than 6m but not greater than 12m |
| Floors                                      | distributed load of 2.0 kN/m <sup>2</sup>                                                                                                              |
| Ceilings                                    | distributed load of 0.25 kN/m <sup>2</sup> together with a concentrated load of 0.9 kN                                                                 |

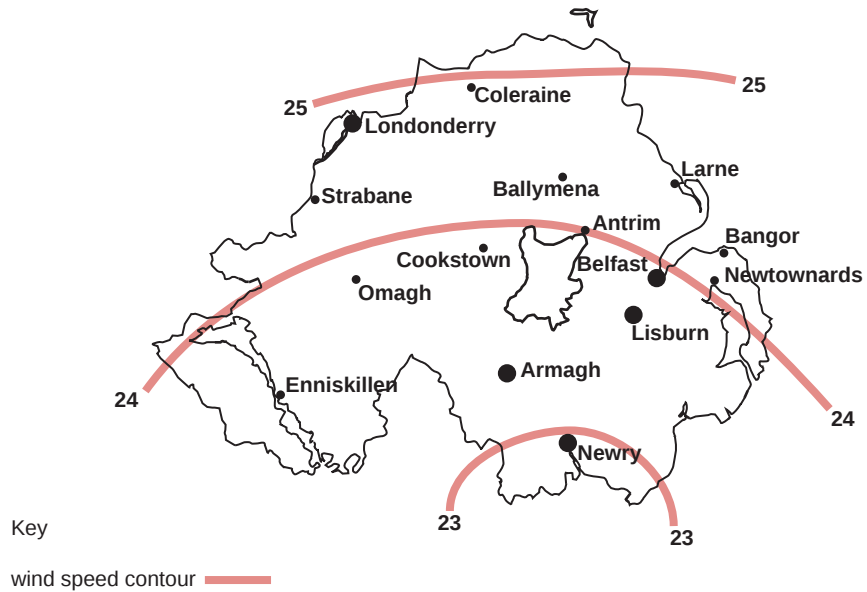
**Maximum permitted height of buildings**

- 4C.7 A simplified design methodology has been developed for the determination of the maximum height of building for which this Part can be used. The maximum height is dependant on a range of factors as follows –
- (a) the wind speed as given in Diagram 4C.4;
  - (b) the topography of the ground surrounding the building; and
  - (c) the type of terrain in which the building is located (e.g. in a town or out in the country).
- 4C.8 The procedure to determine the maximum height of a building that falls within the scope of this Part of the Section is as follows –



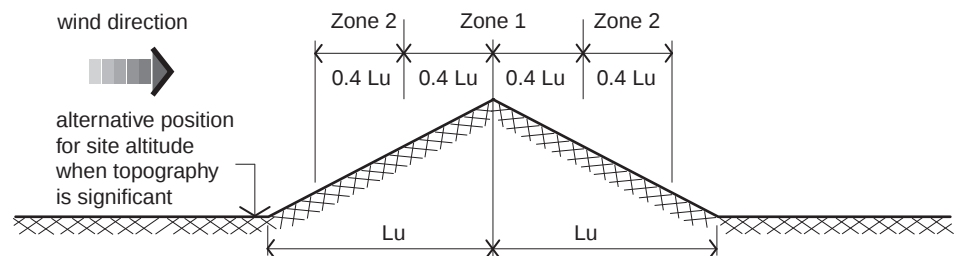
**Diagram 4C.4 Wind speed “V” (m/s)**

see para 4C.8

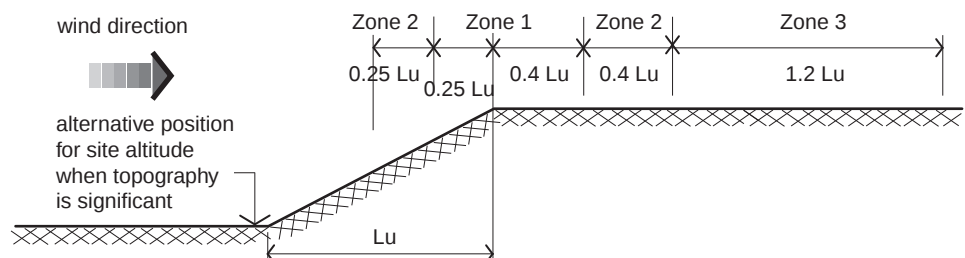


**Diagram 4C.5 Topographical zones for sloping sites**

see para 4C.8



## hills and ridges



Note:  $Lu$  is the projected length of the slope on plan

## cliffs and escarpments

**Table 4C.2 Factor “T” (determined in conjunction with Diagram 4C.5)**

| Topographical category and average slope of whole hillside, ridge, cliff or escarpment | Factor “T” |        |        |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|--------|--------|
|                                                                                        | Zone 1     | Zone 2 | Zone 3 |
| Category 1: Normally flat terrain, average slope, <1/20                                | 1.00       | 1.00   | 1.00   |
| Category 2: Shallow terrain, average slope, <1/10                                      | 1.12       | 1.07   | 1.05   |
| Category 3: Moderately steep terrain, average slope, <1/5                              | 1.24       | 1.13   | 1.10   |
| Category 4: Steep terrain, average slope, >1/5                                         | 1.36       | 1.20   | 1.15   |
| Notes:                                                                                 |            |        |        |
| 1. Zones 1, 2 and 3 taken from Diagram 4C.5.                                           |            |        |        |
| 2. Outside these zones Factor “T” should be taken as equal to 1.00.                    |            |        |        |

**Table 4C.3 Factor “A” (dependent upon the site altitude)**

| Site altitude                                                                                                                                                                                                               | 0    | 50   | 100  | 150  | 200  | 300 | 400  |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|-----|------|
| Factor “A”                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 1.00 | 1.05 | 1.10 | 1.15 | 1.20 | 1.3 | 1.40 |
| Notes:                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |      |      |      |      |      |     |      |
| 1. For sites where topography is significant a more accurate assessment of Factor “A” can be obtained by using the altitude at the base of the topographical feature instead of the altitude at the site. See Diagram 4C.5. |      |      |      |      |      |     |      |
| 2. Site altitude and Factor “A” may be interpolated in this Table.                                                                                                                                                          |      |      |      |      |      |     |      |

**Table 4C.4 Maximum allowable height of building (m)**

| Factor “S”<br>(S=VxTxA) | Country sites              |          |              | Town sites                 |          |              |
|-------------------------|----------------------------|----------|--------------|----------------------------|----------|--------------|
|                         | Distance to the coast (Km) |          |              | Distance to the coast (Km) |          |              |
|                         | less than 10               | 10 to 50 | more than 50 | less than 10               | 10 to 50 | more than 50 |
| 24                      | 15                         | 15       | 15           | 15                         | 15       | 15           |
| 25                      | 11.5                       | 14.5     | 15           | 15                         | 15       | 15           |
| 26                      | 8                          | 10.5     | 13           | 15                         | 15       | 15           |
| 27                      | 6                          | 8.5      | 10           | 15                         | 15       | 15           |
| 28                      | 4.5                        | 6.5      | 8            | 13.5                       | 15       | 15           |
| 29                      | 3.5                        | 5        | 6            | 11                         | 13       | 14.5         |
| 30                      | 3                          | 4        | 5            | 9                          | 11       | 12.5         |
| 31                      | -                          | 3.5      | 4            | 8                          | 9.5      | 10.5         |
| 32                      | -                          | 3        | 3.5          | 7                          | 8.5      | 9.5          |
| 33                      | -                          | -        | 3            | 6                          | 7.5      | 8.5          |
| 34                      | -                          | -        | -            | 5                          | 7        | 8            |
| 35                      | -                          | -        | -            | 4                          | 6        | 7            |
| 36                      | -                          | -        | -            | 3                          | 5.5      | 6            |
| 37                      | -                          | -        | -            | -                          | 4.5      | 5.5          |
| 38                      | -                          | -        | -            | -                          | 4        | 5            |
| 39                      | -                          | -        | -            | -                          | 3        | 4            |
| 40                      | -                          | -        | -            | -                          | -        | 3            |

Notes:

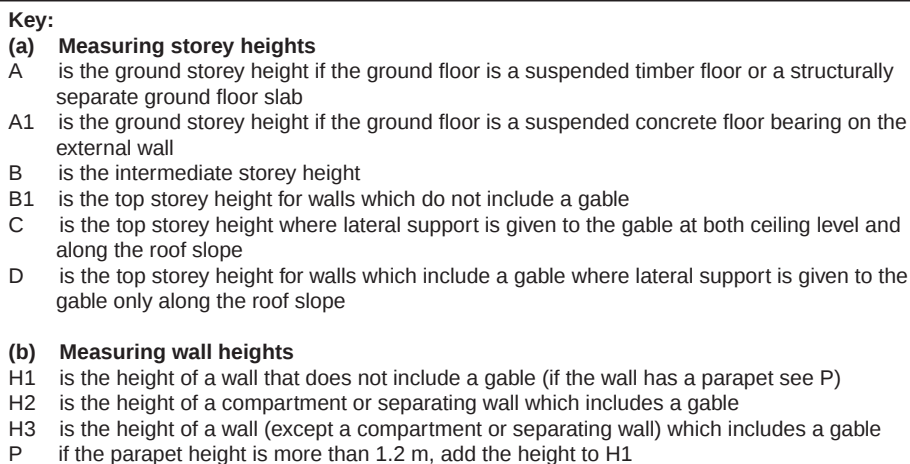
1. Sites in town less than 300 m from the edge of town should be assumed to be in country terrain.
2. For sites closer than 1 km to an inland body of water which extends more than 1 km in the direction of the wind, the distance to the coast should be taken from the edge of that body of water.
3. The maximum allowable building heights may be interpolation within in this Table.

### Length and height of wall

The wall should not exceed 12 m in length, measured from centre to centre of buttressing walls, piers or chimneys providing restraint, and not exceed 12 m in height.

- |       |                                                                                                                                                                       |
|-------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 4C.9  | The wall should not exceed 12 m in length, measured from centre to centre of buttressing walls, piers or chimneys providing restraint, and not exceed 12 m in height. |
| 4C.10 | The height of a wall or a storey should be measured in accordance with the rules in Diagram 4C.6.                                                                     |

see para 4C.10



## Construction materials and workmanship

### Cavity wall ties

- 4C.11 The cavity wall ties should comply with BS EN 845 -1 and DD 140 2 and should be material references 1 or 3 in BS EN 845 -1: Table A.1, austenitic stainless steel. Wall ties should be selected in accordance with Table 4C.5.

**Table 4C.5 Cavity wall ties**

| Normal cavity width <sup>(1)</sup> (mm) | Permissible types of tie        |                                           |                                                                                        |
|-----------------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                                         | Tile length <sup>(2)</sup> (mm) | Tie shapes in accordance with BS EN 845-1 | Tie number in accordance with DD140-2                                                  |
| 50 to 75                                | 200                             | Wire type or thick plate type             | Typed 1, 2, 3 or 4 selected on the basis of the design loading and design cavity width |
| 76 to 90                                | 225                             | Wire type or thick plate type             |                                                                                        |
| 91 to 100                               | 225                             | Wire type or thick plate type             |                                                                                        |
| 101 to 125                              | 250                             | Thick plate type                          | Prescriptive rules for selection, and a model calculation are given in DD140-2         |
| 126 to 150                              | 275                             | Thick plate type                          |                                                                                        |
| 151 to 175                              | 300                             | Thick plate type                          |                                                                                        |
| 176 to 300                              | see Note (2)                    | Thick plate type                          |                                                                                        |

Notes:

- (1) Where face insulated blocks are used the cavity width should be measured from the face of the masonry unit
- (2) The embedded depth of the tie should be not less than 50 mm in both leaves. For cavities wider than 180 mm calculate the length as the structural width plus 125 mm and select the nearest stock length

- 4C.12 The cavity wall ties should have a horizontal spacing of 900 mm and a vertical spacing of 450 mm, which is equivalent to 2.5 ties per square metre. Wall ties should also be spaced not greater than 300 mm apart vertically, within a distance of 225 mm from the vertical edge of any opening, movement joint and roof verge.

### Brick and block construction

- 4C.13 The wall should be properly bonded and solidly put together with mortar and constructed of –
- clay bricks conforming to BS EN 771-1;
  - calcium silicate bricks conforming to BS EN 771-2;
  - concrete bricks or blocks conforming to BS EN 771-3;
  - autoclaved aerated concrete masonry units to BS EN 771-4;
  - manufactured stone complying with BS EN 771-5; or
  - square dressed natural stone conforming to the appropriate requirements described in BS EN 771-6.
- 4C.14 The masonry units indicated for Conditions A, B and C in Diagram 4C.7 should have the declared compressive strengths as given in Table 4C.6 as designated in BS EN 771. The normalised compressive strengths for block sized clay and calcium silicate masonry units not complying with the brick dimensional format are given in Table 4C.7.

**Table 4C.6 Declared compressive strength (N/mm<sup>2</sup>) of masonry units complying with BS EN 771 1 to 5**

| Masonry unit                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Clay masonry units<br>to<br>BS EN 771-1 |                 | Calcium silicate<br>masonry units<br>to<br>BS EN 771-2 |                 | Aggregate<br>concrete masonry<br>units<br>to<br>BS EN 771-3 | Autoclaved<br>aerated concrete<br>masonry units<br>to<br>BS EN 771-4 | Manufactured<br>stone masonry<br>units<br>to<br>BS EN 771-5                                     |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-----------------|--------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Condition A (see Diagram 4C.7)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |                                         |                 |                                                        |                 |                                                             |                                                                      | Any unit<br>complying with<br>BS EN 771-5 will<br>be acceptable for<br>conditions A, B<br>and C |
| Brick                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | Group 1<br>6.0                          | Group 2<br>9.0  | Group 1<br>6.0                                         | Group 2<br>9.0  | 6.0                                                         | –                                                                    |                                                                                                 |
| Block                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | see Table 4C.7                          |                 |                                                        |                 | 2.9*                                                        | 2.9*                                                                 |                                                                                                 |
| Condition B (see Diagram 4C.7)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |                                         |                 |                                                        |                 |                                                             |                                                                      |                                                                                                 |
| Brick                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | Group 1<br>9.0                          | Group 2<br>13.0 | Group 1<br>9.0                                         | Group 2<br>13.0 | 9.0                                                         | –                                                                    |                                                                                                 |
| Block                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | see Table 4C.7                          |                 |                                                        |                 | 7.3                                                         | 7.3                                                                  |                                                                                                 |
| Condition C (see Diagram 4C.7)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |                                         |                 |                                                        |                 |                                                             |                                                                      |                                                                                                 |
| Brick                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | Group 1<br>18.0                         | Group 2<br>25.0 | Group 1<br>18.0                                        | Group 2<br>25.0 | 18.0                                                        | –                                                                    |                                                                                                 |
| Block                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | see Table 4C.7                          |                 |                                                        |                 | 7.3                                                         | 7.3                                                                  |                                                                                                 |
| Notes                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                                         |                 |                                                        |                 |                                                             |                                                                      |                                                                                                 |
| 1. This table applies to Group 1 and Group 2 units                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                                         |                 |                                                        |                 |                                                             |                                                                      |                                                                                                 |
| 2. For the BS EN 771 series of standards for masonry units the values of declared compressive strengths (N/mm <sup>2</sup> ) mean values                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                         |                 |                                                        |                 |                                                             |                                                                      |                                                                                                 |
| 3. Brick is a masonry unit having work sizes not exceeding 337.5 mm in length or 112.5 mm in height                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |                                         |                 |                                                        |                 |                                                             |                                                                      |                                                                                                 |
| 4. Block is a masonry unit exceeding either of the limiting work sizes of a brick and with a minimum bed height of 190 mm. For blocks with smaller bed heights, excluding cuts or make up units, the strength requirements are as for brick except for solid external walls where the blocks should have a compressive strength at least equal to that shown for block for an inner leaf of a cavity wall in the same position |                                         |                 |                                                        |                 |                                                             |                                                                      |                                                                                                 |
| 5. Group 1 masonry units have not more than 25% formed voids (20% for frogged bricks). Group 2 masonry units have formed voids greater than 25%, but not more than 55%                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                                         |                 |                                                        |                 |                                                             |                                                                      |                                                                                                 |
| 6. Values marked * are dry strengths to BS EN 772-1                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |                                         |                 |                                                        |                 |                                                             |                                                                      |                                                                                                 |

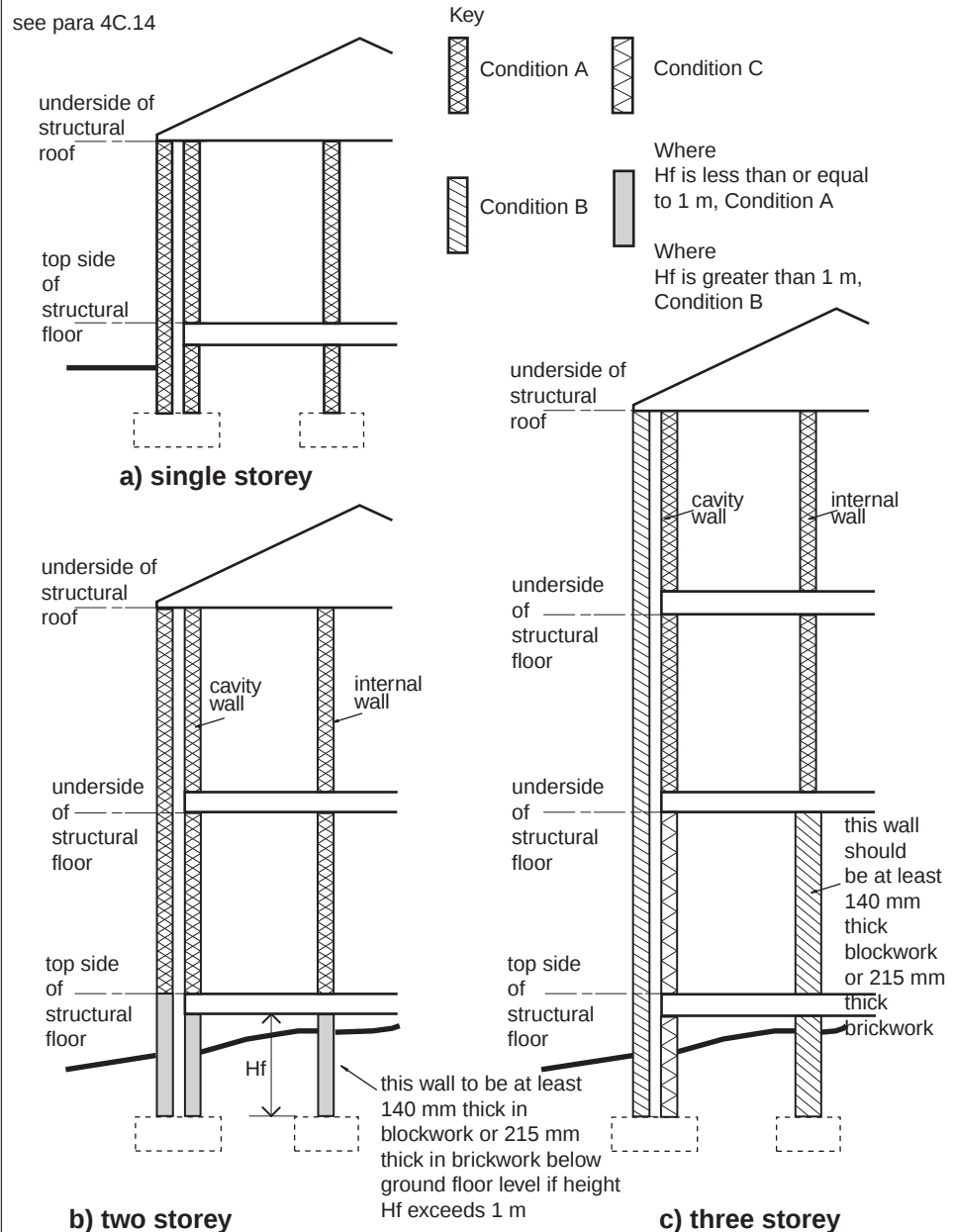
**Table 4C.7 Normalised compressive strength (N/mm<sup>2</sup>) of masonry units of clay and calcium silicate blocks complying with BS EN 771 1 and 2**

| Standard                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | Condition | Group 1 masonry units | Group 2 masonry units |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Clay masonry units to BS EN 771-1 and Calcium silicate masonry units to BS EN 771-2                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | A         | 5.0                   | 8.0                   |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | B         | 7.5                   | 11.0                  |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | C         | 15.0                  | 21.0                  |
| <b>Notes:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Values in this Table are normalised compressive strengths (N/mm<sup>2</sup>). Compressive strengths of masonry units should be derived according to BS EN 772-1.</li> <li>2. The Table applies to clay and calcium silicate block masonry units where the work size exceeds 337.5 mm in length or 112.5 mm in height.</li> <li>3. Group 1 masonry units have not more than 25% formed voids (20% for frogged bricks). Group 2 masonry units have formed voids greater than 25%, but not more than 55%.</li> </ol> |           |                       |                       |

4C.15 Mortar should be –

- (a) of mortar designation (iii) as given in BS 5628: Part 1;
- (b) strength class M4 as given in BS EN 998 -2; or
- (c) CEM1, lime and fine aggregate mixed in the ratio of 1:1:5 measured by volume of dry materials.

**Diagram 4C.7 Declared compressive strength of masonry units**



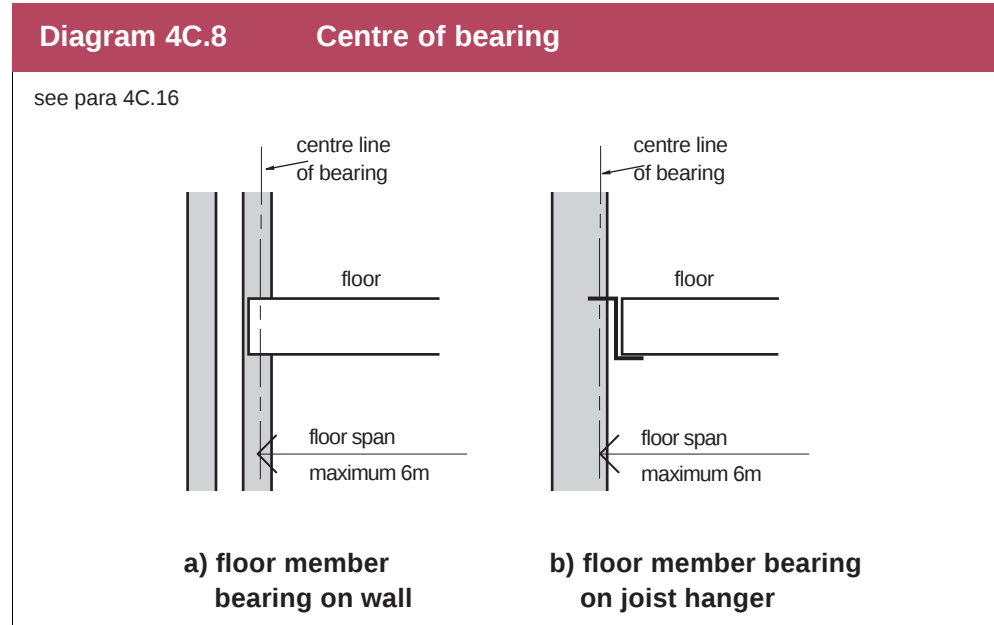
**Notes :**

- 1 If the external wall is solid construction the masonry units should have a compressive strength of at least that shown for the internal leaf of a cavity wall in the same position.
- 2 The guidance in the diagram for walls of two or three storey buildings should only be used to determine the compressive strength of the masonry units where the roof construction is of timber.

## Loading on walls

### Maximum span of floors

- 4C.16 The maximum span for any floor supported by a wall should not exceed 6 m where the span is measured centre-to-centre of bearing (see Diagram 4C.8).

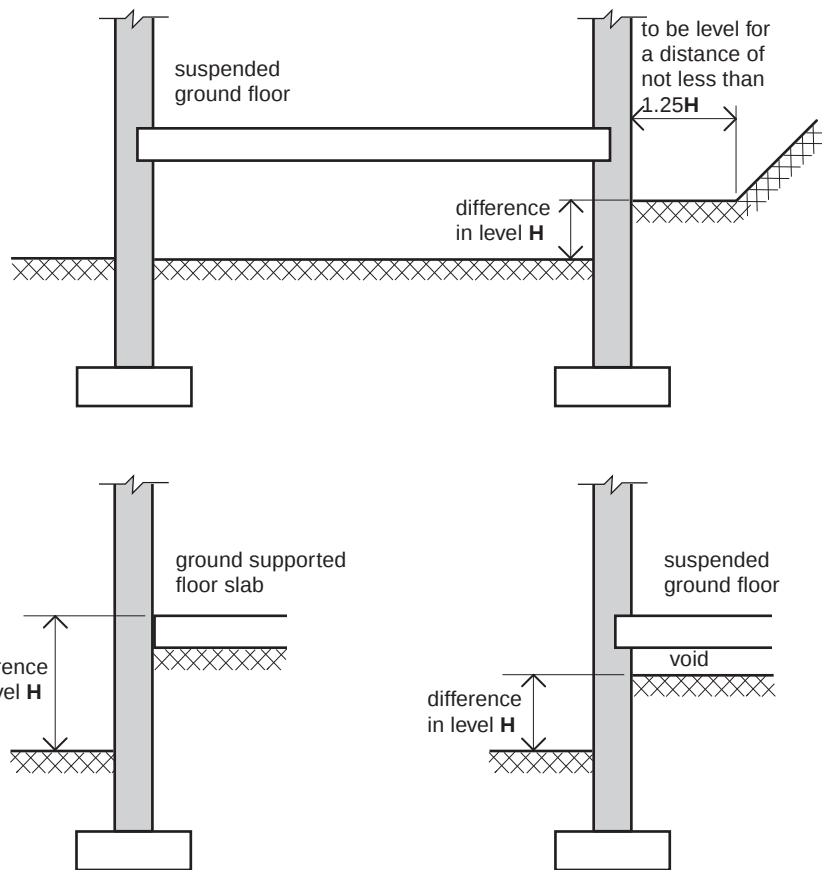


### Other loading conditions

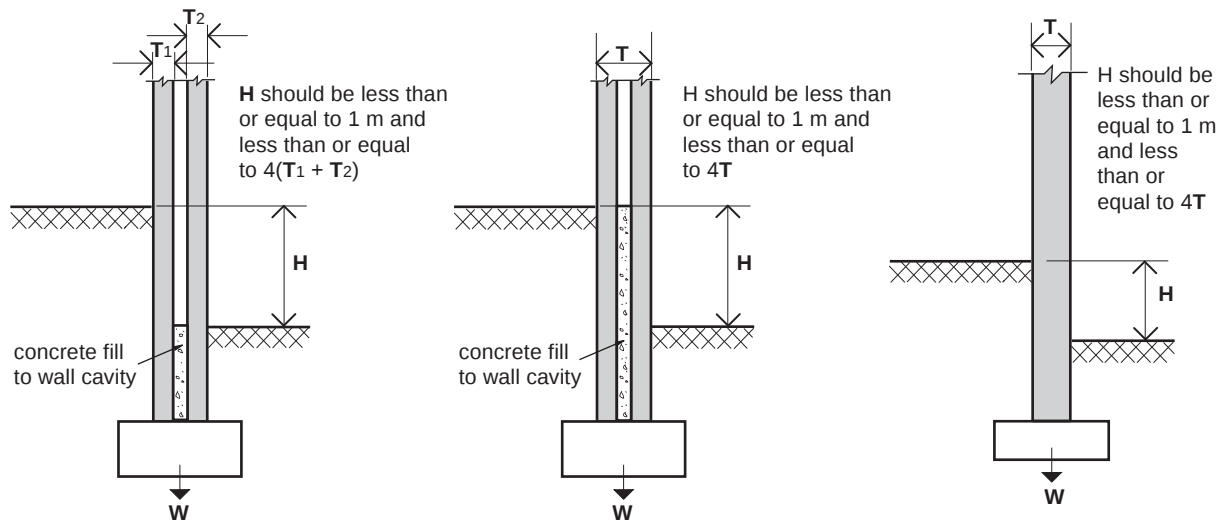
- 4C.17 Vertical and lateral loading should be limited to and assessed as follows –
- the combined dead and imposed load should not exceed 70 kN/m at base of wall (see Diagram 4C.9);
  - vertical loading on walls should be distributed. This may be assumed for concrete floor slabs, precast concrete floors, and timber floors designed in accordance with part B of this Section, and where the bearing length for lintels is 150 mm or greater. Where a lintel has a clear span of 1200 mm or less, the bearing length may be reduced to 100 mm. Where lintels carry a concrete floor the bearing length should be not less than 150 mm or  $L/10$ , whichever is the greater and where  $L$  is the clear span of the lintel;
  - walls must be not subject to lateral load other than from wind, and that covered by paragraph 4C.17(d); and
  - differences in level of ground or other solid construction between one side of the wall and the other should not exceed 4 times the thickness of the wall as shown in Diagram 4C.9.

**Diagram 4C.9 Differences in ground level**

see para 4C.17



**a) examples of ground level differences**



combined dead and imposed load  $W$  should not exceed 70 kN/m at base of wall

**b) maximum permitted differences in ground level**

Notes:

- 1 Floor slabs in fig (b) have been omitted for clarity and may be on either side of the walls shown.
- 2 Cavity walls should be tied in accordance with Table 4C.5.
- 3 These recommendations apply only to circumstances where there is a full storey height of masonry above the upper retained level.

## Wall restraints - Vertical restraint by buttressing walls, piers and chimneys

### General

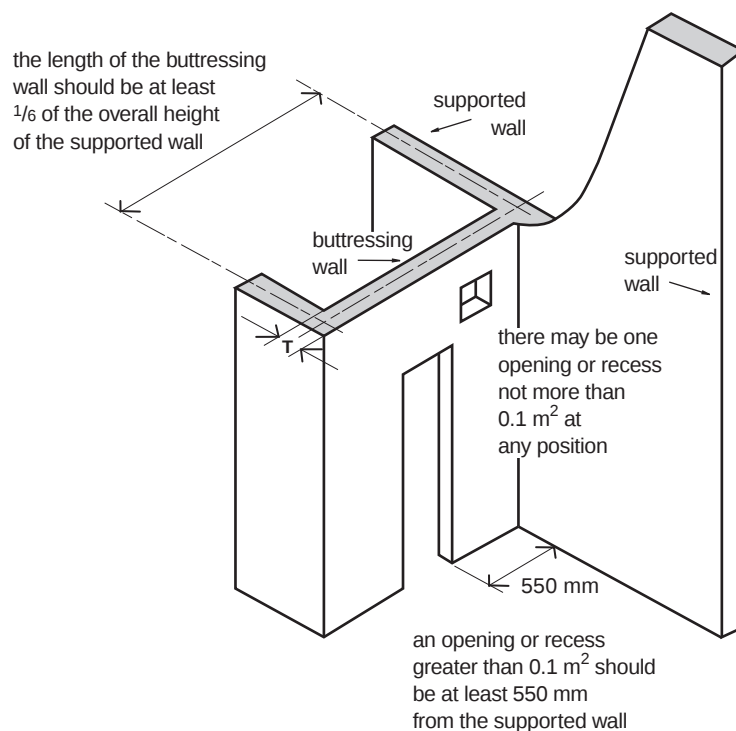
- 4C.18 The ends of every wall should be bonded or otherwise securely tied throughout their full height to a buttressing wall, pier or chimney. Long walls may be provided with intermediate buttressing walls, piers or chimneys dividing the wall into distinct lengths (L) within each storey; each distinct length is a supported wall for the purposes of this Section. The intermediate buttressing walls, piers or chimneys should provide lateral restraint to the full height of the supported wall, but they may be staggered at each storey.

### Design criteria for buttressing walls

- 4C.19 Diagram 4C.10 gives certain rules for masonry buttressing walls. Additionally if the buttressing wall is not itself a supported wall, its thickness T should be not less than –
- half the thickness required by this Section for an external or separating wall of similar height and length, less 5 mm;
  - 75 mm if the wall forms part of a house and does not exceed 6 m in total height and 10 m in length; or
  - 90 mm in any other cases.

**Diagram 4C.10** Openings in a buttressing wall

see para 4C.19 and Table 4C.10



#### Notes:

- The buttressing wall should be bonded or securely tied to the supported wall and at the other end to a buttressing wall, pier or chimney.
- Openings or recesses in the buttressing wall should not exceed those shown – the position and shape of the openings should not impair the lateral support to be given by the buttressing wall.

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## Wall restraints - Lateral restraint by floors and roofs

- 4C.21 Walls in each storey of a building should extend to the full height of that storey, and have horizontal lateral supports to restrict movement of the wall at right angles to its plane.
- 4C.22 Floors and roofs should –
- (a) act to transfer lateral forces from walls to buttressing walls, piers or chimneys; and
  - (b) be secured to the supported wall by connections specified in paragraphs 4C.23 to 4C.25 and Table 4C.8.

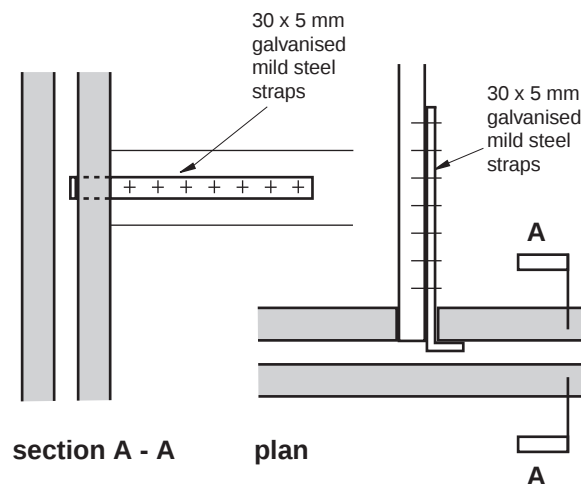
**Table 4C.8 Lateral support for walls**

| Wall type                                                              | Supported wall length | Lateral support required                                                        |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| External, compartment or separating wall (solid or cavity)             | Any length            | Roof lateral support by every roof forming a junction with the supported wall   |
|                                                                        | Greater than 3 m      | Floor lateral support by every floor forming a junction with the supported wall |
| Internal loadbearing wall (not being a compartment or separating wall) | Any length            | Roof or floor lateral support at the top of each storey                         |

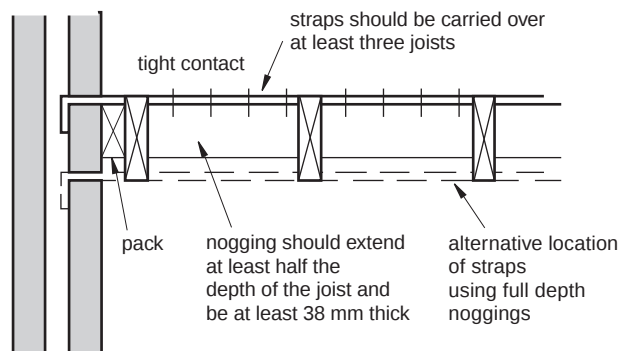
- 4C.23 The wall should be strapped to the floors above ground level, at intervals not exceeding 2 m and as shown in Diagrams 4C.12(a), (b) and (c) by tension straps conforming to BS EN 845–1. For corrosion resistance purposes, the tension straps should be material reference 14 or 16.1 or 16.2 (galvanised mild steel) or other more resistant specifications including material references 1 or 3 (austenitic stainless steel). The minimum cross-section of the strap should be 30 mm x 5 mm.
- 4C.24 Tension straps need be not provided –
- (a) in the longitudinal direction of floor joists in houses of not more than 2 storeys, if the joists are at not more than 1.2 m centres and have at least 90 mm bearing on the supported walls or 75 mm bearing on a timber wall-plate at each end;
  - (b) in the longitudinal direction of floor joists in houses of not more than 2 storeys, if the joists are carried on the supported wall by joist hangers in accordance with BS EN 845-1 of the restraint type described in BS 5628: Part 1 and shown in Diagram 4C.12(d), and are incorporated at not more than 2 m centres;
  - (c) when a concrete floor has at least 90 mm bearing on the supported wall (see Diagram 4C.12(e)); and
  - (d) where the floor is at, or about, the same level on each side of the wall, and contact between the floors and the wall is either continuous or at intervals not greater than 2 m. Where contact is intermittent, the points of contact should be in line, or nearly in line, on plan.

## Diagram 4C.12 Lateral support for floors

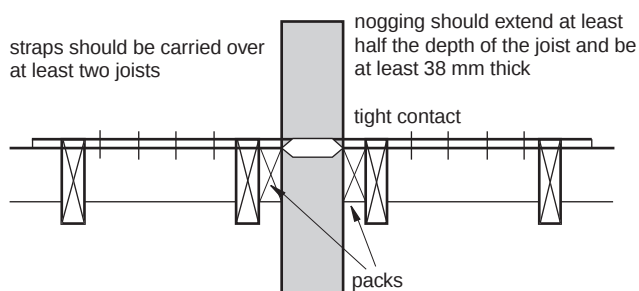
see paras 4C.23 and 4C.24



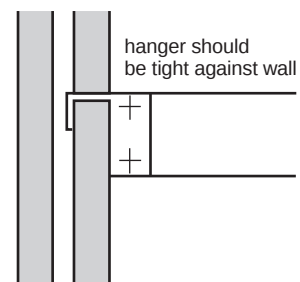
(a) strap detail – 1



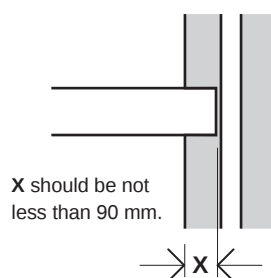
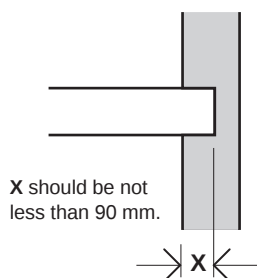
(b) strap detail – 2 (similar detail should be used where concrete floor or roof abuts a wall)



(c) strap detail – 3 (internal walls)



(d) restraint type joist hanger



(e) restraint by concrete floor or roof

- 4C.25 The gable wall should be strapped to the roof as shown in Diagram 4C.13(a) and (b) by tension straps as described in paragraph 4C.23. Vertical strapping at least 1 m long having a minimum cross-section of 30 mm x 5 mm should be provided at eaves level at intervals not exceeding 2 m (see Diagram 4C.13(c) and 4C.13(d)).

Vertical strapping is not required if the roof –

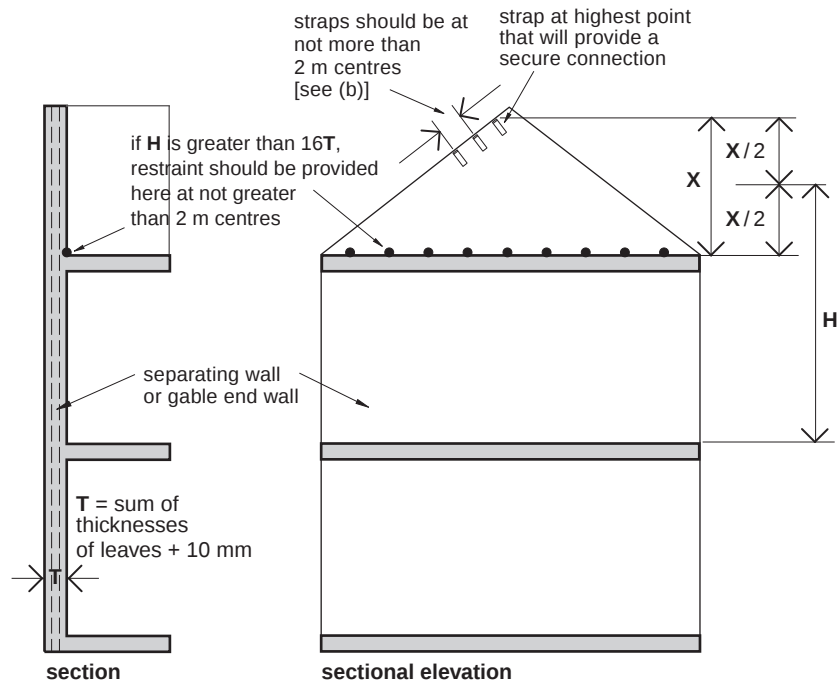
- (a) has a pitch greater than 15°;
- (b) is clad in tiles or slates with a laid mass per unit area greater than 50 kg/m<sup>2</sup>;
- (c) is part of a building in a low wind exposure area; and
- (d) has main timber members spanning onto the supported wall at not more than 1.2 m centres.

### **Interruption of lateral support**

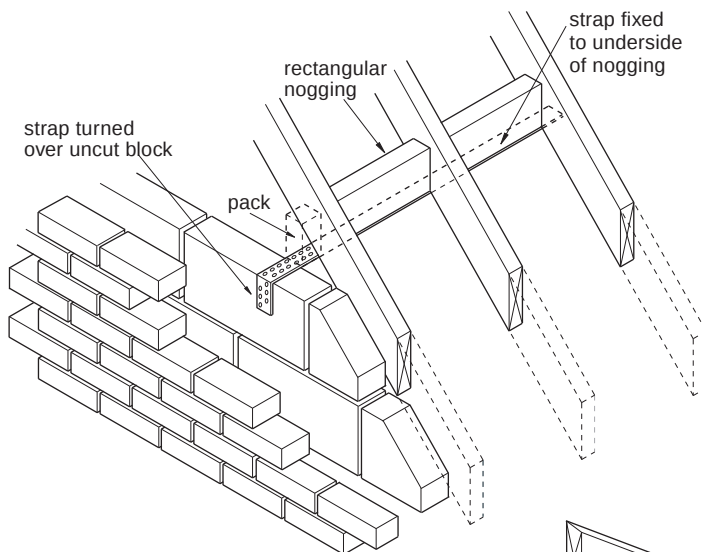
- 4C.26 Where an opening in a floor or roof for a stairway or the like adjoins a supported wall and interrupts the continuity of lateral support, the following provisions should be made –
- (a) the maximum permitted length of the opening should be 3 m, measured parallel to the supported wall;
  - (b) where a connection is provided by means other than by anchor, this must be provided throughout the length of each portion of the wall situated on each side of the opening;
  - (c) where connection is provided by tension straps, these must be spaced closer than 2 m on each side of the opening to provide the same number of straps as if there were no opening; and
  - (d) no other interruption of lateral support is permissible.

# Diagram 4C.13 Lateral support at roof level

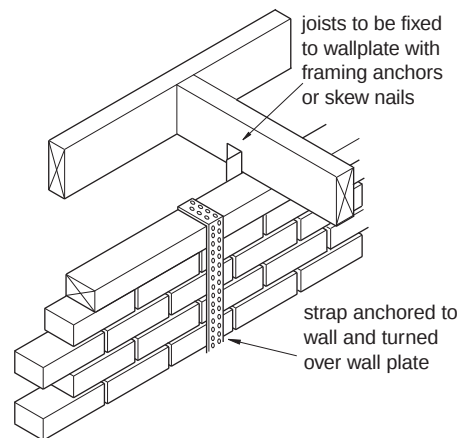
see para 4C.25



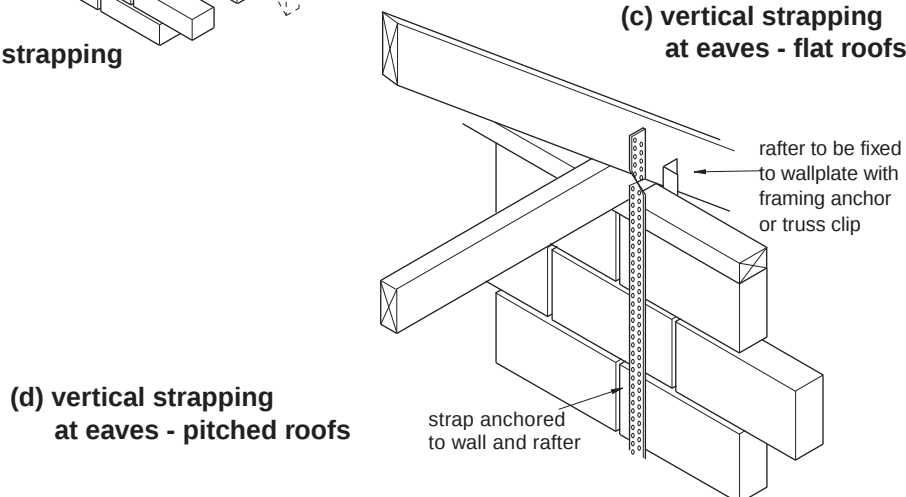
(a) strap location



(b) effective strapping



(c) vertical strapping at eaves - flat roofs



(d) vertical strapping at eaves - pitched roofs

## Openings, recesses, overhangs and chases

- 4C.27 The number, size and position of openings and recesses should not impair the stability of a wall or the lateral support afforded by a buttressing wall to a supported wall. Construction over openings and recesses should be adequately supported.
- 4C.28 The dimensional criteria for openings and recesses are given in Table 4C.9 and Diagram 4C.14 .

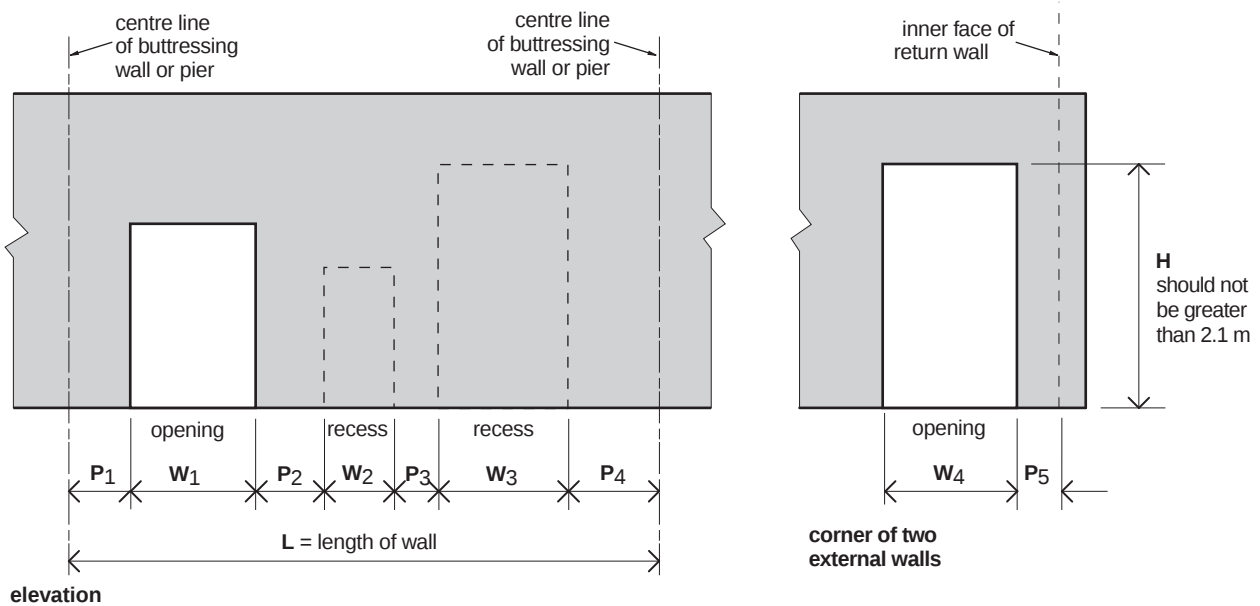
**Table 4C.9 Value of “X” (see Diagram 4C.14)**

| Nature of roof span         | Maximum roof span (m) | Minimum thickness of wall inner leaf (mm) | Span of floor is parallel to wall | Span of timber floor into wall (m) |     | Span of concrete floor into wall (m) |     |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------|-----|--------------------------------------|-----|
|                             |                       |                                           |                                   | 4.5                                | 6.0 | 4.5                                  | 6.0 |
|                             |                       |                                           |                                   | Value of X                         |     |                                      |     |
| Roof spans parallel to wall | Not applicable        | 100                                       | 6                                 | 6                                  | 6   | 6                                    | 6   |
|                             |                       | 90                                        | 6                                 | 6                                  | 6   | 6                                    | 5   |
| Timber roof spans into wall | 9                     | 100                                       | 6                                 | 6                                  | 5   | 4                                    | 3   |
|                             |                       | 90                                        | 6                                 | 4                                  | 4   | 3                                    | 3   |

- 4C.29 All chases should comply with the following –
- vertical chases should be not deeper than one third of the wall thickness or, in cavity walls, one third of the thickness of the leaf;
  - horizontal chases should be not deeper than one sixth of the thickness of the leaf or wall; and
  - chases should be positioned so as not to impair the stability of the wall, particularly where hollow blocks are used.
- 4C.30 The projection of any overhang should not impair the stability of the wall.

**Diagram 4C.14**      **Sizes of openings and recesses**

see para 4C.28



Notes: Requirements (refer to Table 4C.9 for values of factor X)

- 1  $W_1 + W_2 + W_3$  should not exceed  $2L$  divided by 3.
- 2  $W_1$ ,  $W_2$ ,  $W_3$  or  $W_4$  should not exceed 3 m.
- 3  $P_1$  should be greater than or equal to  $W_1$  divided by X.
- 4  $P_2$  should be greater than or equal to  $[W_1 + W_2]$  divided by X.
- 5  $P_3$  should be greater than or equal to  $[W_2 + W_3]$  divided by X.
- 6  $P_4$  should be greater than or equal to  $W_3$  divided by X.
- 7  $P_5$  should be greater than or equal to  $W_4$  divided by X but should be not less than 385 mm. In this case the height H of the opening should not exceed 2.1 m.
- 8 The value of the factor X should be taken from Table 4.9 or it can be given the value 6, provided the compressive strength of the bricks or blocks (in the case of a cavity wall – in the loaded leaf) is not less than  $7 \text{ N/mm}^2$ .

## Wall thickness

### General

- 4C.31 The wall thickness may be determined according to this Part provided that –
- (a) “Conditions relating to the building of which the wall forms a part” (see paragraphs 4C.4 to 4C.8) are met; and
  - (b) “Conditions relating to the wall” (see paragraphs 4C.9 to 4C.30) are met.

If any one of the conditions in these paragraphs is not met, the sizing of the wall is outside the scope of this Section and specialist advice should be obtained from a suitably qualified person.

### Solid external, compartment and separating walls

- 4C.32 Solid external, compartment and separating walls in coursed brickwork or blockwork should be at least as thick as 1/16 of the storey height. Further requirements are given in Table 4C.10.

**Table 4C.10 Minimum thickness of certain external walls, compartment walls and separating walls**

| Overall height of supported wall <sup>(1)</sup>         | Length of supported wall <sup>(2)</sup> | Minimum thickness of supported wall                                                       |
|---------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| not exceeding 3.5 m                                     | not exceeding 12 m                      | 190 mm for the whole of its height                                                        |
| exceeding 3.5 m but not exceeding 9 m                   | not exceeding 9 m                       | 190 mm for the whole of its height                                                        |
|                                                         | exceeding 9 m but not exceeding 12 m    | 290 mm from the base for the height of one storey, and 190 mm for the rest of its height  |
| exceeding 9 m but not exceeding 12 m                    | not exceeding 9 m                       | 290 mm from the base for the height of one storey, and 190 mm for the rest of its height  |
|                                                         | exceeding 9 m but not exceeding 12 m    | 290 mm from the base for the height of two storeys, and 190 mm for the rest of its height |
| Notes:<br>(1) See Diagram 4C.6<br>(2) See Diagram 4C.11 |                                         |                                                                                           |

### Uncoursed stone or flint

- 4C.33 The thickness of walls constructed in uncoursed stone, flints or other burnt or vitrified material should be not less than 1.33 times the thickness required by paragraph 4C.32.

### Cavity walls

- 4C.34 All cavity walls should have leaves not less than 90 mm thick and cavities not less than 50 mm wide.

For external, compartment and separating walls in cavity construction, the combined thickness of the 2 leaves plus 10 mm should be not less than the thickness required by paragraph 4C.32 for a solid wall of the same height and length.

### Walls providing vertical support to other walls

- 4C.35 Irrespective of the materials used in the construction, a wall that provides vertical support to another wall should be not less in thickness than any part of the wall to which it gives vertical support.

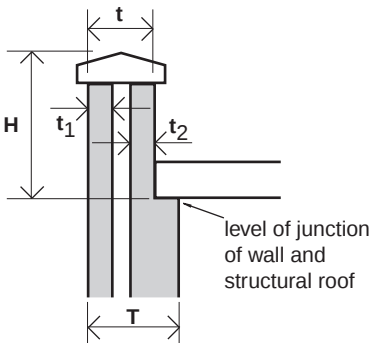
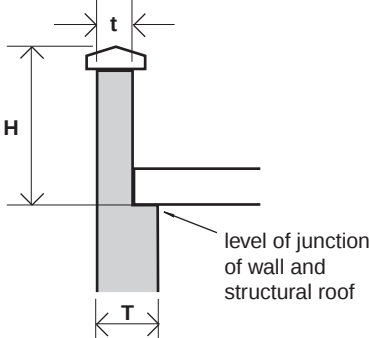
### Internal load bearing masonry walls

- 4C.36 Internal loadbearing masonry walls should have a thickness not less than –
- $$\frac{(\text{specified thickness from Table 4C.10})}{2} - 5 \text{ mm}$$

except for a wall in the lowest storey of a 3 storey building, carrying load from both upper storeys, which should have a thickness as determined by the above equation or 140 mm, whichever is the greater.

### Parapet walls

- 4C.37 The minimum thickness and maximum height of parapet walls should be as given in Table 4C.11.

| Table 4C.11 Maximum height of parapet walls                                         |                                                                |                                  |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Wall type                                                                           | Thickness of wall (mm)                                         | Maximum height of parapet H (mm) |
|  | where $t_1 + t_2$ is not greater than 200                      | 600                              |
|                                                                                     | where $t_1 + t_2$ is greater than 200 but not greater than 250 | 860                              |
|  | $t = 150$                                                      | 600                              |
|                                                                                     | $t = 190$                                                      | 760                              |
|                                                                                     | $t = 215$                                                      | 860                              |
| Note: "t" should not be greater than "T"                                            |                                                                |                                  |

- 4C.38 Where a wall is constructed of bricks or blocks having modular dimensions derived from BS 6750, the wall thicknesses prescribed in this Part which derive from a dimension of a brick or block may be reduced by an amount not exceeding the deviation from work size permitted by a British Standard relating to equivalent sized bricks or blocks made of the same material.

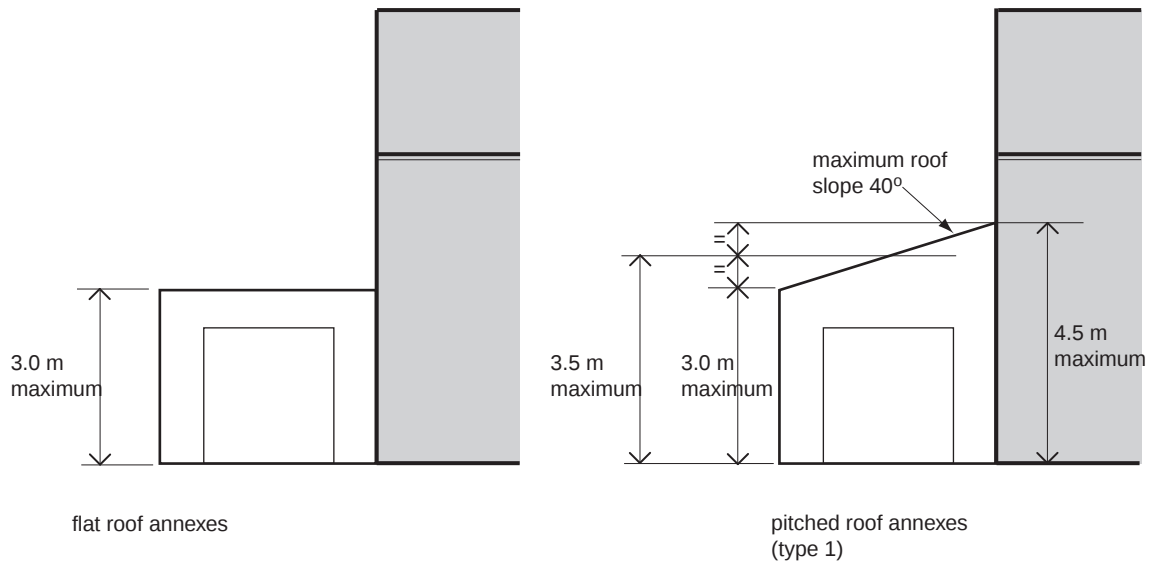
## 4C Masonry walls. Part 2 - Masonry walls for annexes and small single storey buildings

### Application of this Part of the Section

- 4C.39 This Part of the Section applies to –
- (a) an annex to a house; and
  - (b) a small single storey building other than a dwelling.
- 4C.40 The provisions contained in this Part apply only if the following criteria are met –
- (a) the floor area of the annex or building is not greater than 36 m<sup>2</sup>;
  - (b) the walls are solidly constructed in brickwork or blockwork using materials that comply with Tables 4C.6 and 4C.7;
  - (c) where the floor area of the annex or building is greater than 10 m<sup>2</sup>, the walls have a surface mass of not less than 130 kg/m<sup>2</sup>;  
Note: There is no surface mass limitation recommended for floor areas of 10 m<sup>2</sup> or less.;
  - (d) access to the roof is solely for the purposes of maintenance and repair;
  - (e) the only lateral loads are wind loads;
  - (f) the maximum length or width of the annex or building is not greater than 9 m;
  - (g) the height of the annex or building is not greater than the lower value derived from Diagram 4C.15 or paragraphs 4C.7 and 4C.8;
  - (h) the roof is braced at rafter level, horizontally at eaves level and at the base of any gable by roof decking, rigid sarking or diagonal timber bracing, as appropriate, in accordance with BS 8103: Part 3;
  - (i) the walls are tied to the roof structure vertically and horizontally in accordance with BS 8103: Part 1 and with horizontal lateral restraint at roof level in accordance with paragraph 4C.43; and
  - (j) the roof structure of an annex is secured to the structure of the main building at both rafter and eaves level.

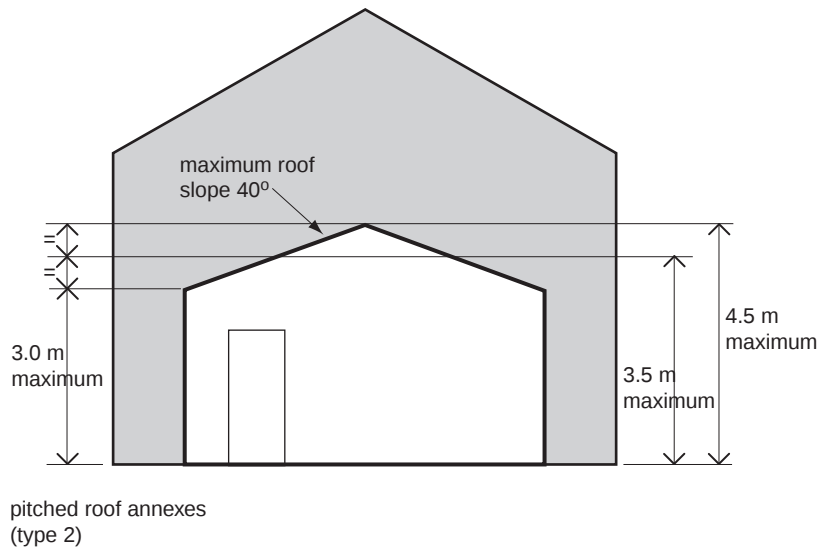
**Diagram 4C.15 Maximum height of an annex or single storey building**

see para 4C.40(g)



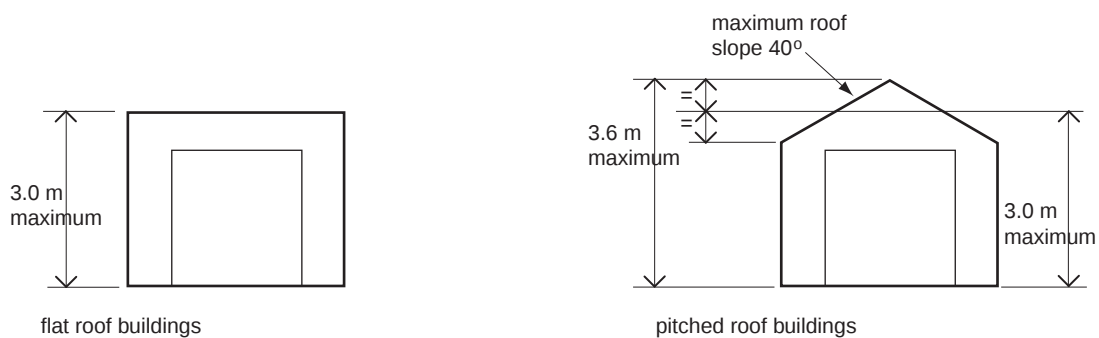
flat roof annexes

pitched roof annexes  
(type 1)



pitched roof annexes  
(type 2)

#### a) annexes



flat roof buildings

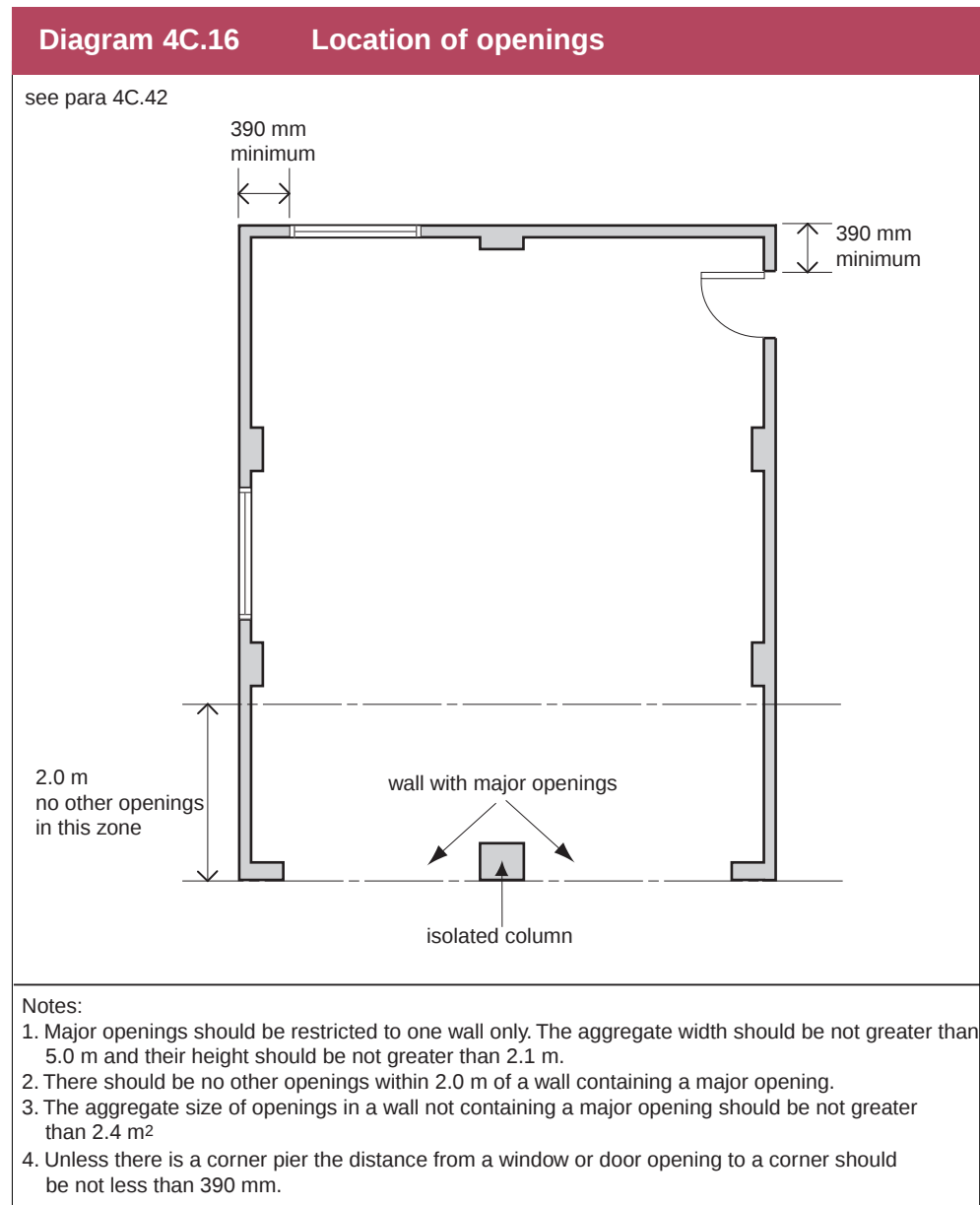
pitched roof buildings

#### b) buildings

Note:  
Height should be measured from the top of the foundation or from the underside of the floor slab where this provides effective lateral restraint.

## Size and location of openings

- 4C.41 One or two major openings not more than 2.1 m in height are permitted in one wall of the building or annex only. The width of a single opening or the combined width of two openings should not exceed 5 m.
- 4C.42 The only other openings permitted in an annex or building are for windows and a single leaf door. The size and location of these openings should be in accordance with Diagram 4C.16.

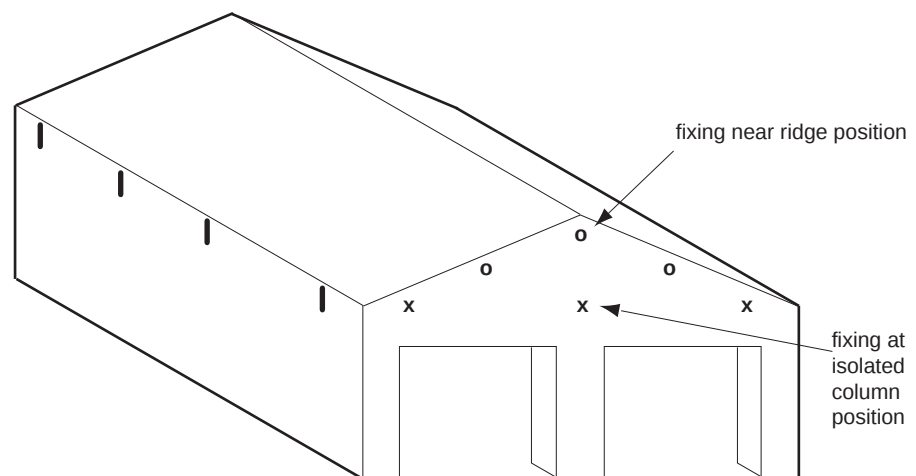


## Horizontal lateral restraint at roof level

- 4C.43 Walls should be tied horizontally at not more than 2 m centres to the roof structure at eaves level, base of gables and along roof slopes with straps fixed in accordance with Diagrams 4C.13 and 4C.17. Where straps cannot pass through a wall they should be adequately secured to the masonry using suitable fixings. Isolated columns should also be tied to the roof structure.

**Diagram 4C.17 Horizontal lateral restraint at roof level**

see para 4C.43

**Key**

I - denotes fixings at eaves level

X - denotes fixings at base of gable

O - denotes fixings along roof slope

**Note:**

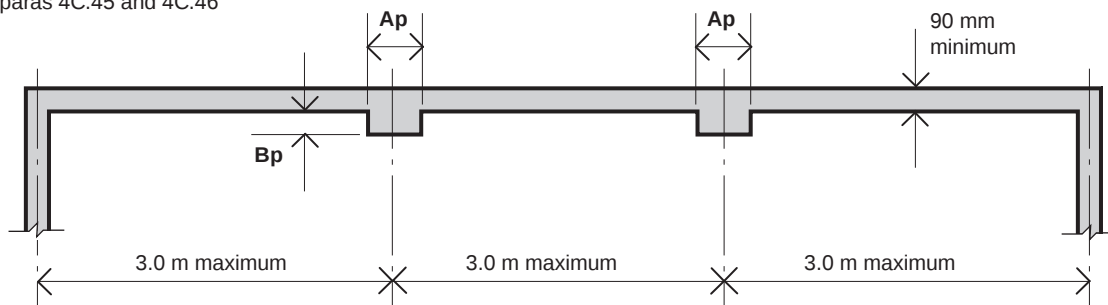
fixings should be in accordance with Diagram 4C.13

**Wall thickness and recommendations for piers**

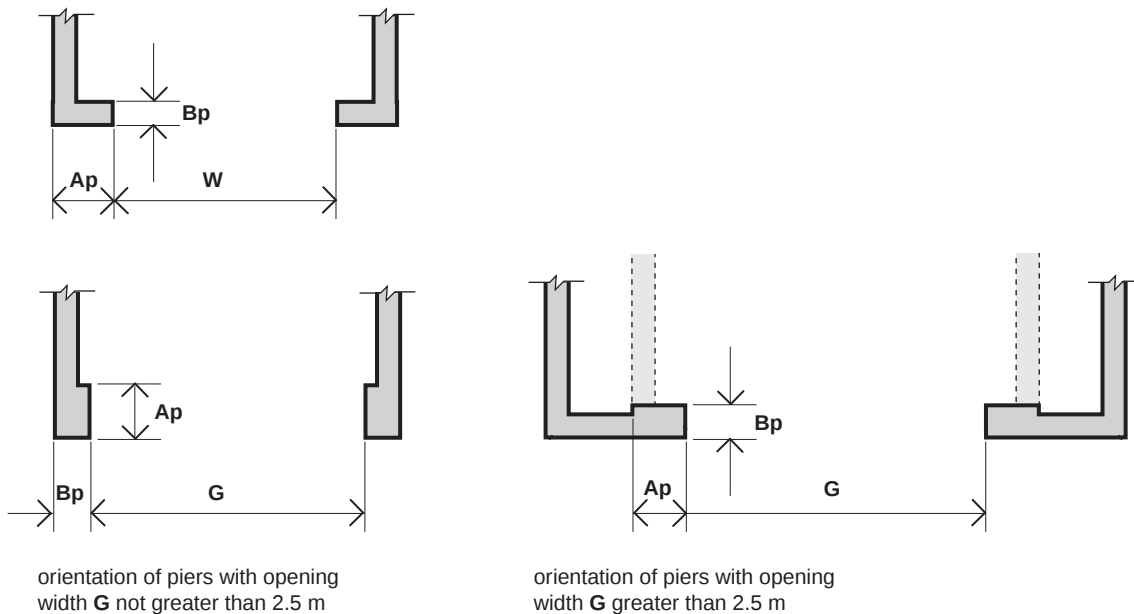
- 4C.44 The walls should have a minimum thickness of 90 mm.
- 4C.45 Walls which do not contain a major opening but exceed 2.5 m in length or height should be bonded or tied to piers for their full height at not greater than 3 m centres as shown in Diagram 4C.18.
- 4C.46 A wall, which contains one or two major openings, should in addition have piers as shown in Diagram 4C.18. Where ties are used to connect piers to walls they should be flat, 20 mm x 3 mm in cross section, be stainless steel, placed in pairs and spaced at not greater than 300 mm centres vertically.

## Diagram 4C.18 Wall thicknesses

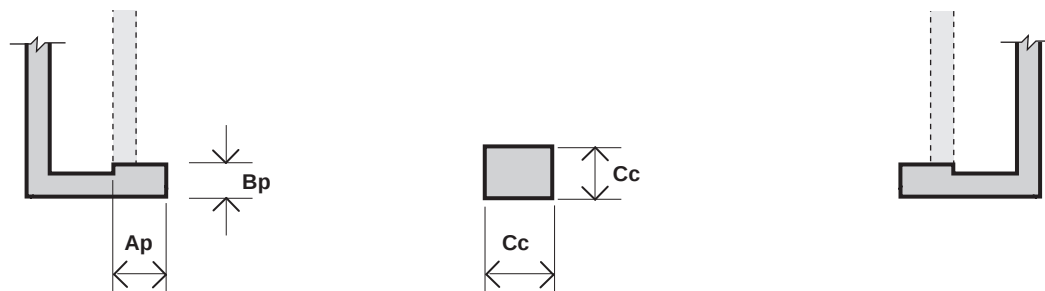
see paras 4C.45 and 4C.46



### a) wall without a major opening



### b) walls with a single major opening



### c) wall with two major openings

Notes:

1. In all cases the minimum pier size ( $A_p \times B_p$ ) should be (390 mm x 190 mm) or (327 mm x 215 mm) depending on the size of the masonry units.
2. Isolated columns (Case c) to be 325 mm x 325 mm minimum ( $C_c \times C_c$ ).

## 4D Masonry chimneys

### Proportions for masonry chimneys above the roof surface

#### Application

This Section applies to a single family house of not more than 3 storeys in height, an annex and a small single storey building other than a dwelling.

#### Height to width relationship

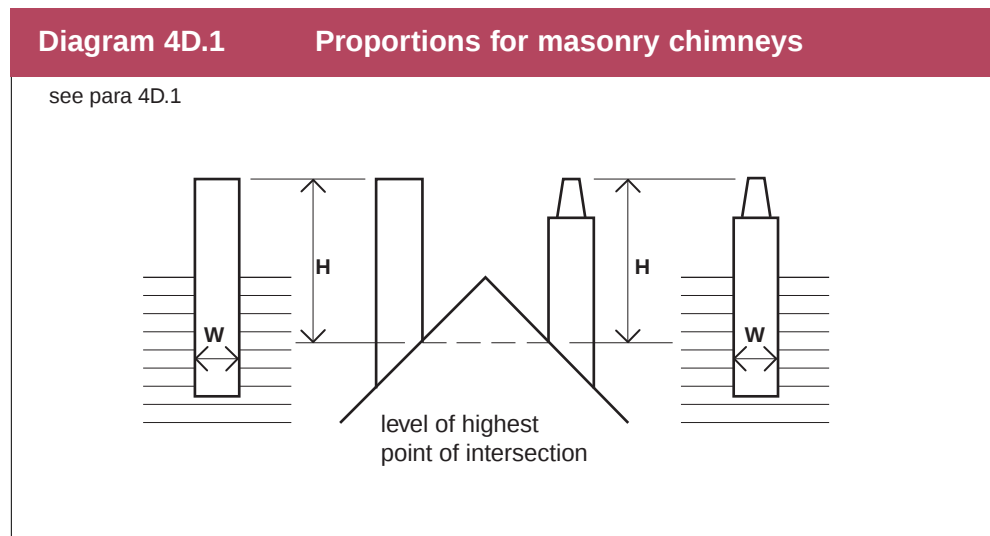
4D.1 Where a chimney is not adequately supported by ties or securely restrained in any way, its height, measured from the highest point of intersection with the roof surface, gutter, etc, should not exceed  $4.5 W$ , where –

**W** is the least horizontal dimension of the chimney measured at the same point of intersection; and

**H** is measured to the top of any chimney pot or other flue terminal.

Where the density of the masonry is less than  $1500 \text{ kg/m}^3$  the 4.5 height factor should be reduced pro-rata.

(See Diagram 4D.1).



## 4E Concrete foundations

### Strip foundations of plain concrete

#### Application

This Section applies to a single family house of not more than 3 storeys in height, an annex and a small single storey building other than a dwelling.

#### Conditions relating to the subsoil

- 4E.1 There should not be –
- (a) any made ground, peat or wide variation in the type of subsoil within the loaded area;
  - (b) a weaker type of soil at such a depth below the soil on which the foundation rests as could impair the stability of the structure; or
  - (c) soil movement within the loaded area resulting from seasonal weather changes.

#### Foundation concrete

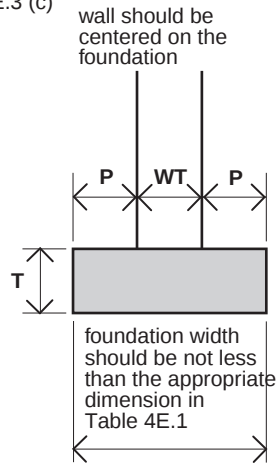
- 4E.2 The mass concrete used in the strip foundation should be –
- (a) in chemically aggressive soil conditions, an appropriate concrete mix as recommended in BS 8500: Part 1 and BRE Special Digest 1; and
  - (b) in chemically non-aggressive soils, composed of Portland Cement to BS EN 197-1 & 2 and fine and coarse aggregate conforming to BS EN 12620, the mix being –
    - (i) in the proportion of 50 kg of cement to not more than 155 kg (0.11 m<sup>3</sup>) of fine aggregate and 240 kg (0.16 m<sup>3</sup>) of coarse aggregate; or
    - (ii) Grade ST2 or Grade GEN 1 to BS 8500: Part 2.

#### Design provisions

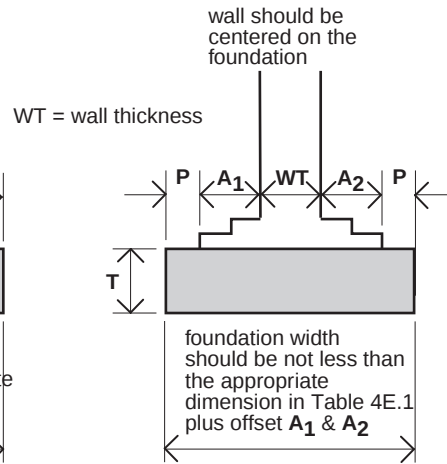
- 4E.3 The following design provisions apply –
- (a) the foundation should be situated centrally under the wall;
  - (b) the foundation should have the minimum width given in Table 4E.1;
  - (c) the minimum thickness  $T$  of concrete foundations should be 150 mm or  $P$ , whichever is the greater, where  $P$  is derived using Table 4E.1, see Diagram 4E.1(a) and (b);
  - (d) where the foundation is stepped on elevation, it should overlap by twice the height of the step, the thickness of the foundation, or 300 mm, whichever is greater (see Diagram 4E.2). For trench filled foundations the overlap should be twice the height of the step or 1000 mm, whichever is greater;
  - (e) the step in a foundation should not be of greater height than the thickness of the foundation (see Diagram 4E.2); and
  - (f) the foundation of a pier, buttress or chimney should project as indicated in Diagram 4E.3, the projection  $X$  should be not less than  $P$ .

## Diagram 4E.1 Foundation dimensions

see para 4E.3 (c)



**(a) strip foundation**

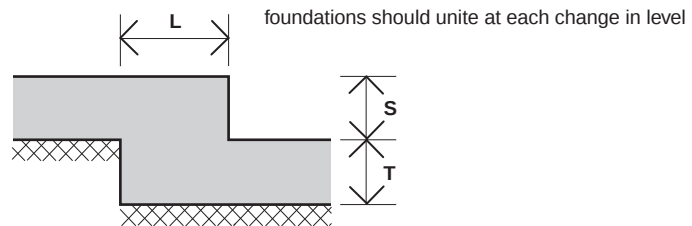


**(b) strip foundation with footing**

in both the cases shown in this diagram, the thickness of the foundation should either be equal to  $P$  or 150 mm, whichever is greater

## Diagram 4E.2 Elevation of stepped foundation

see para 4E.3 (d) & (e)

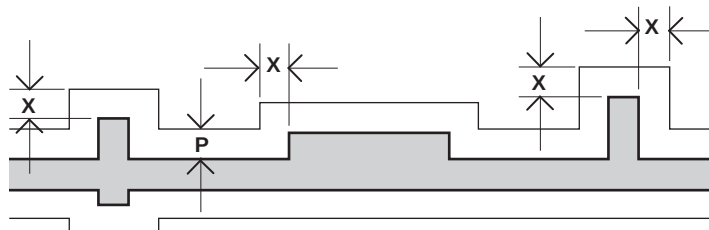


minimum overlap  $L$  = twice height of step,  
or thickness of foundation,  
or 300 mm, whichever is greater

$S$  should be not greater than  $T$

## Diagram 4E.3 Piers and chimneys

see para 4E.3 (f)



projection  $X$  should be not less than  $P$

**Minimum width of strip foundations**

- 4E.4 Provided that the conditions relating to the subsoil (paragraph 4E.1) and design provisions relating to the foundations (paragraph 4E.3) are observed, the type and condition of subsoil are known and the loading at the base of the wall is within acceptable limits, the widths of foundations given in Table 4E.1 may be used.

**Table 4E.1 Minimum width of strip foundations**

| Type No. | Type of subsoil                 | Condition of subsoil                               | Field test applicable                                                                              | Total load of load bearing wall not greater than (kN/m) |     |                                                                                                                                  |     |     |     |
|----------|---------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------|-----|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|
|          |                                 |                                                    |                                                                                                    | 20                                                      | 30  | 40                                                                                                                               | 50  | 60  | 70  |
|          |                                 |                                                    |                                                                                                    | Minimum width of strip foundation (mm)                  |     |                                                                                                                                  |     |     |     |
| 1        | Rock                            | Not inferior to sandstone, limestone or firm chalk | Requires at least a pneumatic or other mechanically operated pick for excavation                   | In each case not less than the width of the wall        |     |                                                                                                                                  |     |     |     |
| 2        | Gravel or sand                  | Medium dense                                       | Requires pick for excavation. Wooden peg 50 mm square in cross section hard to drive beyond 150 mm | 250                                                     | 300 | 400                                                                                                                              | 500 | 600 | 650 |
| 3        | Clay or sandy clay              | Stiff                                              | Can be indented slightly by thumb                                                                  | 250                                                     | 300 | 400                                                                                                                              | 500 | 600 | 650 |
| 4        | Clay or sandy clay              | Firm                                               | Thumb makes impression easily                                                                      | 300                                                     | 350 | 450                                                                                                                              | 600 | 750 | 850 |
| 5        | Sand, silty sand or clayey sand | Loose                                              | Can be excavated with a spade. Wooden peg 50 mm square in cross section can be easily driven       | 400                                                     | 600 | Note:<br>Foundations on subsoil types 5 & 6 do not fall within the provisions of this Section if the total load exceeds 30 kN/m. |     |     |     |
| 6        | Silt, clay or sandy clay & silt | Soft                                               | Finger pushes in up to 10 mm                                                                       | 450                                                     | 650 |                                                                                                                                  |     |     |     |
| 7        | Silt, clay or sandy clay & silt | Very soft                                          | Finger easily pushes in up to 25 mm                                                                | Refer to specialist advice                              |     |                                                                                                                                  |     |     |     |

## **Minimum depth of strip foundations**

- 4E.5 The minimum depth to the underside of a strip foundation should be the greater of –
- (a) the depth to selected bearing stratum; or
  - (b) a depth of 450 mm to the underside of foundations. This should avoid damage from frost action in normal soil conditions although this depth may have to be increased in areas which are subject to long periods of frost or in order to transfer the loading onto satisfactory ground.

The susceptibility of ground to movement, action of frost and changes in water table varies widely and the advice of a suitably qualified person should be sought if the conditions are outside the parameters set out above. More detailed guidance is provided in BRE Digests 240 and 241.

## Appendix Publications referred to

### **BS EN 197: Cement.**

|              |                                                                                                 |
|--------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Part 1: 2000 | Composition, specifications and conformity criteria for common element.<br>AMD 15209, AMD 17352 |
| Part 2: 2000 | Conformity evaluation.                                                                          |

### **BS EN 336: 2003 Structural timber. Sizes, permitted deviations.** AMD 14533, AMD 16208

### **BS EN 771: Specification for Masonry Units.**

|              |                                                         |
|--------------|---------------------------------------------------------|
| Part 1: 2003 | Clay masonry units.<br>AMD 15998                        |
| Part 2: 2003 | Calcium silicate masonry units.<br>AMD 15974            |
| Part 3: 2003 | Aggregate concrete masonry units.<br>AMD 16001          |
| Part 4: 2003 | Autoclaved aerated concrete masonry units.<br>AMD 16000 |
| Part 5: 2003 | Manufactured stone masonry units.<br>AMD 15999          |
| Part 6: 2005 | Natural stone masonry units.                            |

### **BS EN 845: Specification for ancillary components for masonry.**

|              |                                                                     |
|--------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Part 1: 2003 | Ties, tension straps, hangers and brackets.<br>AMD 14736, AMD 15539 |
|--------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|

### **BS EN 998: Specification for mortar for masonry.**

|              |                 |
|--------------|-----------------|
| Part 2: 2003 | Masonry mortar. |
|--------------|-----------------|

### **BS EN 1313: Round and sawn timber - Permitted deviations and preferred sizes.**

|              |                                    |
|--------------|------------------------------------|
| Part 1: 2010 | Softwood sawn timber.<br>AMD 11020 |
|--------------|------------------------------------|

### **BS EN 1991: Action on structures**

|                |                                                             |
|----------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|
| Part 1-1: 2002 | General actions - Densities, self-weight and imposed loads. |
| Part 1-3: 2003 | General actions - Snow loads.                               |
| Part 1-4: 2005 | General actions - Wind actions.                             |
| Part 1-7: 2006 | General actions - Accidental actions                        |

## **BS EN 1992: Design of concrete structures.**

Part 1-1: 2004      General rules and rules for building.

Part 1-2: 2004      General rules. Structural fire design.

## **BS EN 1993: Design of steel structures.**

Part 1-1: 2005      General rules and rules for building.

Part 1-2: 2005      Structural fire design.

Part 1-3: 2006      Supplementary rules for cold formed members and sheeting.

Part 1-5: 2006      Plated structural elements.

Part 1-8: 2005      Design of joints.  
AMD16291, AMD16571

Part 1-10: 2005      Material toughness and through-thickness properties.  
AMD16293, AMD16569

## **BS EN 1994: Design of composite concrete and steel structures**

Part 1-1: 2004      General rules and rules for building.

Part 1-2: 2005      Structural fire design.

## **BS EN 1995: Design of timber structures.**

Part 1-1: 2004      General – Common rules and rules for building.

Part 1-2: 2004      Structural fire design.

## **BS EN 1996: Design of masonry structures.**

Part 1-1: 2005      General rules for reinforced and unreinforced masonry structures.

Part 1-2: 2005      Structural fire design.

Part 3: 2006      Simplified calculations methods.

## **BS EN 1997: Geotechnical Design**

Part 1: 2004      General rules.

## **BS EN 1999: Design of aluminium structures**

Part 1-1: 2007      General structural rules.

Part 1-2: 2007      Structural fire design.

Part 1-3: 2007      Structures susceptible to fatigue.

## **BS EN 12620: 2002 Aggregates for concrete.**

AMD 15333

**BS EN 14081: Timber structures – Strength graded structural timber with rectangular cross section.**

Part 1: 2005      General requirements.

**BS 1297: 1987 Specification for tongue and grooved softwood flooring.**

**BS 4978: 2007 Specification for visual strength grading of softwood.**  
AMD 9434

**BS 5268: Structural use of timber.**

Part 2: 2002      Code of practice for permissible stress design, materials and workmanship.

Part 3: 2006      Code of practice for trussed rafter roofs.  
AMD 16541, AMD 16972

**BS 5628: Code of practice for use of masonry.**

Part 1: 2005      Structural use of unreinforced masonry.

Part 2: 2005      Structural use of reinforced and re-stressed masonry

Part 3: 2005      Materials and components, design and workmanship.

**BS 5950: Structural use of steelwork in a building.**

Part 1: 2000      Code of practice for design. Rolled and welded sections.  
AMD 13199

Part 2: 2001      Specification for materials, fabrication and erection, hot rolled sections.

Part 3.1: 1990      Design in composite construction. Code of practice for design of simple and continuous composite beams.

Part 4: 1994      Code of practice for design of composite slabs with profiled steel sheeting.

Part 5: 1998      Code of practice for design of cold formed thin gauge sections.

**BS 6399: Loading for buildings.**

Part 1: 1996      Code of practice for dead and imposed loads.

Part 2: 1997      Code of practice for wind loads.  
AMD 13392, AMD 14009

Part 3: 1988      Code of practice for imposed roof loads.  
AMD 6033, AMD 9187, AMD 9452

**BS 6750: 1986 Specification for modular coordination in building.**

**BS 8004:1986 Code of practice for foundations**

**BS 8103: Structural design of low-rise buildings.**

|              |                                                                                                                 |
|--------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Part 1: 1995 | Code of practice for stability, site investigation, foundations and ground floor slabs for housing.<br>AMD 8980 |
| Part 2: 2005 | Code of practice for masonry walls for housing.                                                                 |
| Part 3: 2009 | Code of practice for timber floors and roofs for housing.                                                       |
| Part 4: 1995 | Code of practice for suspended concrete floors for housing.                                                     |

**BS 8110: Structural use of concrete.**

|              |                                                                                             |
|--------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Part 1: 1997 | Code of practice for design and construction.<br>AMD 9882, AMD 13468, AMD16016, AMD 17307   |
| Part 2: 1985 | Code of practice for special circumstances.<br>AMD 5914, AMD 12061, AMD 16017               |
| Part 3: 1985 | Design charts for singly reinforced beams, doubly reinforced beams and rectangular columns. |

**BS 8118: Structural use of aluminium.**

|              |                                                          |
|--------------|----------------------------------------------------------|
| Part 1: 1991 | Code of practice for design.                             |
| Part 2: 1991 | Specification for materials, workmanship and protection. |

**BS 8500: Concrete. Complementary British Standard to BS EN 206-1.**

|              |                                                       |
|--------------|-------------------------------------------------------|
| Part 1: 2006 | Method of specifying and guidance for the specifier.  |
| Part 2: 2006 | Specification for constituent materials and concrete. |

**DD140-2: 1987 Wall ties. Recommendations for design of wall ties.**  
AMD 7971**BRE Special Digest 1 – Concrete in aggressive ground, 3rd Edition.****BRE Digest 240 – Low-rise buildings on shrinkable clay soils Part 1.****BRE Digest 241 – Low-rise buildings on shrinkable clay soils Part 2.****DFP Technical Booklet B: 2012      Materials and workmanship.**

## Technical Booklets

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