

Workmanship on building sites

Part 16: Code of practice for sealing joints in buildings using sealants

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Foreword

This Part of BS 8000 has been prepared by Technical Committee B/547. It makes recommendations and gives guidance on basic workmanship for conventional types of building work.

BS 8000-16:1997+A1:2010 supersedes BS 8000-16:1997, which is withdrawn.

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The recommendations given are not necessarily comprehensive; particular project documents, e.g. project specifications, may need to cover particular recommendations not dealt with by this code of practice.

This code of practice is unique in that unlike other British Standards, it draws together recommendations given in other codes of practice.

The purpose of this code of practice is to encourage good workmanship by providing the following:

- a) the most frequently required recommendations on workmanship for building work in a readily available and convenient form to those working on site;
- b) assistance in the efficient preparation and administration of contracts;
- c) recommendations on how designer's requirements for workmanship may be satisfactorily realized;
- d) definitions of good practice on building sites for supervision and for training purposes; this guidance is not intended to supplant the normal training in craft skills;
- e) a reference for quality of workmanship on building sites.

It is recognized that design, procurement and project information should be conducive to good workmanship on site.

The Building Industry's Co-ordinating Committee for project information (CCPI) has produced a Common Arrangement of Work Sections (CAWS) for building work. This code of practice has generally been arranged in accordance with the Common Arrangement so that it can be used easily with project specifications and bills of quantities using the arrangement. Other major documents are being restructured in accordance with the Common Arrangement.

BS 8000 comprises the following Parts.

- Part 1 *Code of practice for excavation and filling*
- Part 2 *Code of practice for concrete work*
- Part 3 *Code of practice for masonry*
- Part 4 *Code of practice for waterproofing*
- Part 5 *Code of practice for carpentry, joinery and general fixings*
- Part 6 *Code of practice for roof, slate, tile covering and cladding*
- Part 7 *Code of practice for glazing*
- Part 8 *Code of practice for plasterboard partitions and dry linings*
- Part 9 *Code of practice for cement/sand floor screeds and concrete floor toppings*
- Part 10 *Code of practice for plastering and rendering*
- Part 11 *Code of practice for wall and floor tiling*
- Part 12 *Code of practice for decorative wallcoverings and painting*
- Part 13 *Code of practice for above ground drainage and sanitary appliances*
- Part 14 *Code of practice for below ground drainage*
- Part 15 *Code of practice for hot and cold water services (domestic scale)*
- Part 16 *Code of practice for sealing joints in buildings using sealants*

COMMENTARY. *This Part of BS 8000 gives general recommendations. Where a conflict exists between the recommendations given and the specification for the works, the specification should be followed. The specification should reflect the sealant manufacturer's published recommendations unless otherwise agreed in writing by the sealant manufacturer.*

The provisions of this standard are presented in roman (i.e. upright) type. Its recommendations are expressed in sentences in which the principal auxiliary verb is "should".

Commentary, explanation and general informative material is presented in smaller italic type, and does not constitute a normative element.

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