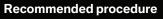


## VOID FORMATION INSTALLATION GUIDE

CLAYBOARD IS DESIGNED TO COLLAPSE UNDER PRESSURE WHEN WET. CARE SHOULD BE TAKEN TO KEEP THE CLAYBOARD DRY ON SITE.



#### Preparing the site

- **1.** Remove all water from the foundation zone.
- 2. Do not lay Clayboard in standing water.
- 3. Lay a 25mm, flat, dry, level sand blinding.
- 4. Lay polythene sheeting (minimum 500g) onto the blinding.

### Laying

- **5.** Lay Clayboard, printed face up, making sure to adjoining panels butt up closely together.
- 6. Joints can be sealed with Dufaylite Waterproof Tape.
- 7. Lay polythene (minimum 500g) on top of the Clayboard, overlap and tape all joins and leave an overlap at the edges of the Clayboard
- 8. Lay steel reinforcement.
- **9.** Prepared for later introduction of water by using the Clayboard VOIDPAK System (see wherever the VOIDPAK SYSTEM IS)

### Forming the Void

- **10.** When the concrete is totally self-supporting, insert hosepipe and introduce a slow flow of water into the Clayboard. Leave water for approximately 2 hours.
- **11.** After 24-28 hours, strike through the bottom facing of the Clayboard to allow excess water to drain away. Seal the pipes with cement or waterproof sealant and make good.

### Using the VOIDPAK System

The VOIDPAK System is designed to give you all the equipment you need to introduce water to the Clayboard and create a void.



In cases where the Voidpak pipes need to be level with the cast slab, check pipes are the correct depth by measuring from the flange to the end of the pipe.. If they are not correct, remove the cap, cut the pipe to length and replace cap.

Position the pipe with the raked end to the Clayboard face and strike until the flange is flush with the Clayboard surface (Cutting the surface first with a sharp knife will make this easier). Give the pipe and quarter twist to make sure it is secure.

Ensure that even distribution of one pipe per 24m2 of Clayboard. Take care to see that the pipe position does not prevent adequate cover of the reinforcement when the concrete is poured. Check that all the pipes are secure and have caps fitted. It might be necessary to cross tie the pipe to adjacent reinforcement to keep the pipe vertical when the concrete is poured.

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## IMPORTANT NOTES

Clayboard must be laid on a flat surface (created by sand blinding) to avoid high pressure points from damaging the underside.

The diagram shown (right) is not intended as an accurate foundation drawing, but only to show installers, by the way of clear illustrated example, where the Clayboard should be situated.

### Addendum 10.12.01

Where internal beams or walls subdivide the building floor, provision must be made for Voidpak pipes to be used within each enclosed area of Clayboard.

### **Storing Clayboard on Site**

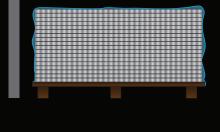
Clayboard is designed to collapse under pressure when wet. Care should be taken to keep the Clayboard dry on site.

Panels must be stored on the ground, on their delivery pad or pallet. If the protective packaging has been opened and panels off-loaded, they should be re-stacked on the pallet and fully protected by polythene wrapping or a tarpaulin, or both.

This extra protection is recommended to prevent ingress of moisture. We strongly recommend that Clayboard is stored under cover.

### Cutting

Clayboard is light to handle and can be easily cut to fit on site with a sharp knife or hand saw. The minimum recommended cut width is 300mm



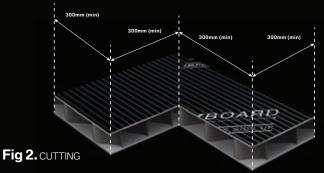


Fig 1. STORING

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