Board fixings: specify the system

The screw, board and support must work together.

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1 Match the support

Choose the approved fixing for timber, steel or aluminium. Confirm engagement and pull-out capacity.

2 Match the exposure

Specify corrosion performance appropriate to the location, especially coastal and wet environments.

3 Use the fixing schedule

Board size, wind load, support spacing and edge distances determine the design.

4 Head position

Set the head as required by the product guide. Do not assume every board needs a flush or countersunk fixing.

5 Allow movement

Use the prescribed hole sizes and fixed/sliding points where applicable. Avoid over-tightening.

6 Inspect the result

Check damaged edges, alignment, missed supports and overdriven fixings before concealing or finishing.

Before installation: agree the fixing type, corrosion protection, support and fixing schedule.

REFERENCE GUIDANCE

Swisspearl: facade fastening systems

Use current product instructions and the approved project design. For regulations, confirm the UK nation, applicable edition and transitional arrangements.

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