Addendum: Technical Guidelines for Minor Works

Items related to Subdivided Units
### 3.24 Sub-Divided Units

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<td>Erection of any non-load bearing block wall, laying of any solid floor screeding, or erection or alteration of any aboveground drain in a domestic flat;</td>
<td>Formation or alteration of any opening to the enclosure (other than a load bearing wall) of any staircase that is used as a means of escape or a means of access for firefighting and rescue or its protected lobby;</td>
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That is subdivided into, or that as a result of the works will be subdivided into, 3 or more rooms at least 3 of which -

(i) are resulted from, or are affected by, an alteration of the layout of the flat;

(ii) are provided with a lavatory basin, sink, water-closet fitment, shower or bath; and

(iii) are intended as, or having regard to the size and layout of the rooms, are likely to be adapted as, places for sleeping;

in which the number of rooms falling within the description of paragraph(a)(ii) and (iii) is, or as a result of the works will be, greater than that as shown on the approved plan.

### Other considerations

- B(C)R 90 & FS Code subsection C5 & clause C11.1 - Requirements of fire resisting construction.
- PNAP APP-86 - Design & construction of non-loadbearing partition walls.
- B(C)R & Code of Practice for Dead and Imposed Loads 2011.
- B(DW)R 10 - Not to overload the floor.
- B(DW)R 11 - Provision of precautionary measures from sudden collapse on cutting the steelwork.
- PNAP APP-21 - Provision of measures for public safety when carrying out demolition works.
- B(SSFPDWL)R 11 - Proper disposal of soil.
- B(SSFPDWL)R 28 - Control of bends in soil & waste pipes.
- **B(SSFPDWL)R 29, PNAP APP-93 & PNAP ADV-14** – Provision of access for repair & maintenance.
- **B(SSFPDWL)R 34** – Control of the materials for pipes.
- **PNAP APP-133** – Using cast iron pipes of acceptable performance requirements / standards.
- Agreement from the IO / co-owners of the external wall / roof (if being common part) should be sought.

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<td>aggregate length of any additional wall per m² of the floor area of the flat is</td>
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<td>density of the wall ≤ 650 kg per m³</td>
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<td>height of the wall ≤ 3 m;</td>
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<td>If any non-load bearing block wall is erected in the flat, aggregate length of any additional wall per m² of the floor area of the flat is</td>
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<td>density of the screeding ≤ 650 kg per m³;</td>
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<td>≥125 mm;</td>
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<td>thickness of the screeding</td>
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<td>&gt; 25 mm</td>
<td>(if the aggregate area of the screeding is not more than 1.5 m² within a floor area of 10 m² of the flat and the nearest horizontal distance between each of the area of screeding is not less than 2 m) more than 25 mm but not more than 150 mm measured from the structural floor level.</td>
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Other considerations
- B(C)R & Code of Practice for Dead and Imposed Loads 2011.

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Appendix X - Recommended Design and Details for Minor Works Items related to Subdivided Units

MINOR WORKS ITEM 3.39 ERECTION OF ANY NON-LOAD BEARING BLOCK WALL (OTHER THAN AN EXTERNAL BLOCK WALL) IN A DOMESTIC FLAT
**LEGEND:**

- **NON-LOAD BEARING WALL SHOWN ON APPROVED PLAN**
- **NON-LOAD BEARING BLOCK WALL AFTER THE MINOR WORKS ITEM 3.39 IS CARRIED OUT**

*The aggregate length of any additional block wall per m² of the floor area of the flat on which the wall is located is more than 0.1m but not more than 0.3m.*

**Floor area of the flat about 35 m² (NOT TO SCALE)**

**Note:**

1. Additional block wall is not more than 0.1m per m² of the floor area of the flat and floor screeding not more than 25mm thick measured from the structural floor level are exempted works.
2. Aggregate length of any additional wall means the difference between the total length of the non-load bearing walls (excluding the width of any door openings on the walls) in a flat as shown on the approved plan and that as measured after the minor works item is carried out.
3. The wall finishes are not counted in the wall thickness.

**MINOR WORKS ITEM 3.39 ERECTION OF ANY NON-LOAD BEARING BLOCK WALL (OTHER THAN AN EXTERNAL BLOCK WALL) IN A DOMESTIC FLAT**
ERECTION / ALTERATION OF ANY NON-LOAD BEARING BLOCK WALL (OTHER THAN AN EXTERNAL BLOCK WALL)

GENERAL NOTES:
1. The works carried out shall comply with the Buildings Ordinance and the provisions of other enactments. (Reference can be made to the examples listed in Sections 3 and 10 of the Guidelines.)
2. All works shall comply with the following COPY Standards:
   - Building (Construction) Regulations
   - BS 5628 – Code of Practice for the Use of Masonry: Part 1 Structural use of Unreinforced Masonry
   - Specifications and Method Statement for YTONG AAC Block Walls or their equivalent.
3. Existing concrete grade is assumed to be Grade 30.
4. All YTONG AAC blocks or their equivalent shall comply with BS6073-1 as solid block with the minimum compressive strength of 4 N/mm² and the density not more than 650 kg/m³.
5. Mortar designation shall be Class (ii) to Table 1 of BS5628-1 with the mean compressive strength at 28 days of 4.5 N/mm² by site tests.

PREPARATION WORK:
1. Obtain the relevant approved plans to ascertain the slab thickness and internal layout of the flat and that there are no unauthorized building works in the vicinity of the works.
2. Carry out condition survey of the parent structure / existing condition prior to the commencement of works.

WORKING PROCEDURES:
1. Install the required non-load bearing block wall as per the drawing.
2. Make good and reinstate the affected areas of the parent building.
3. Clean the site.
4. Verify that the aggregate length of any additional block wall per m² of the floor area of the flat on which the wall is located is more than 0.2m but not more than 0.4m.

MINOR WORKS ITEM 3.40 ERECTION OF ANY NON-LOAD BEARING BLOCK WALL (OTHER THAN AN EXTERNAL BLOCK WALL) IN A NON - DOMESTIC FLAT

SECTION 'A-A'

SECTION 'B-B'
LEGEND:

NON-LOAD BEARING WALL SHOWN ON APPROVED PLAN

NON-LOAD BEARING BLOCK WALL AFTER THE MINOR WORKS ITEM 3.40 IS CARRIED OUT

*The aggregate length of any additional block wall per m² of the floor area of the flat on which the wall is located is more than 0.2m but not more than 0.4m.

Floor area of the flat about 35 m² (NOT TO SCALE)

Thickness of screeding ≤ 25 mm.

Existing common corridor

Note:

1. Additional block wall is not more than 0.2m per m² of the floor area of the flat and floor screeding not more than 25mm thick measured from the structural floor level are exempted works.

2. Aggregate length of any additional wall means the difference between the total length of the non-load bearing walls (excluding the width of any door openings on the walls) in a flat as shown on the approved plan and that as measured after the minor works item is carried out.

3. The wall finishes are not counted in the wall thickness.

MINOR WORKS ITEM 3.40 ERECTION OF ANY NON-LOAD BEARING BLOCK WALL (OTHER THAN AN EXTERNAL BLOCK WALL) IN A NON - DOMESTIC FLAT
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   - Building (Construction) Regulations
   - BS 5628 - Code of Practice for the Use of Masonry: Part 1 Structural Use of Unreinforced Masonry
   - Specifications and Method Statement for YTONG AAC Block Walls or their equivalent.
3. Existing concrete grade is assumed to be Grade 30.
4. Density of the screeding is not more than 650 kg/m³.
5. All YTONG AAC blocks or their equivalent shall comply with BS6073-1 as solid block with the minimum compressive strength of 4 N/mm² and the density not more than 650 kg/m³.
6. Mortar designation shall be Class (ii) to Table 1 of BS5628-1 with the mean compressive strength at 28 days of 4.5 N/mm² by site tests.

PREPARATION WORK:
1. Obtain the relevant approved plans to ascertain the slab thickness and internal layout of the flat and that there are no unauthorized building works in the vicinity of the works.
2. Carry out condition survey of the parent structure (existing condition prior to the commencement of works).
3. Verify the existing screeding thickness by exposing the screeding at the location of any additional wall.

MINOR WORKS ITEM 3.41
THICKENING OF ANY FLOOR SLAB OF A DOMESTIC FLAT BY LAYING
SOLID SCREEDING

SECTION 'A-A'

Detail 'A'

THICKNESS OF EXISTING NON-CANTILEVERED FLOOR SLAB IS NOT LESS THAN 125mm THK.

THICKNESS OF EXISTING BLOCK WALL IS NOT MORE THAN 300mm.

HEIGH OF BLOCK WALL IS NOT MORE THAN 3000mm.

THICKNESS OF THE WALL IS NOT MORE THAN 75mm.

SECTION 'B-B'

MINOR WORKS ITEM 3.41
THICKENING OF ANY FLOOR SLAB OF A DOMESTIC FLAT BY LAYING
SOLID SCREEDING

SHEET 1 OF 2
Floor area of the flat about 35 m² (NOT TO SCALE)

LEGEND:

- FLOOR AREA ABOUT 10m²
- NON-LOAD BEARING WALL SHOWN ON APPROVED PLAN
- NON-LOAD BEARING BLOCK WALL ACCORDING TO THE MINOR WORKS ITEM 3.39 IS CARRIED OUT

The aggregate length of any additional block wall per m² of the floor area of the flat on which the wall is located is less than 0.1m.

Note:
1. Additional block wall of less than 0.1m per m² of the floor area of the flat and floor screeding not more than 25mm thick measured from the structural floor level are exempted works.
2. Aggregate length of any additional wall means the difference between the total length of the non-load bearing walls (excluding the width of any door openings on the walls) in a flat as shown on the approved plan and that as measured after the minor works item is carried out.
3. The wall finishes are not counted in the wall thickness.
MINOR WORKS ITEM 3.42  THICKENING OF ANY FLOOR SLAB OF A NON - DOMESTIC FLAT BY LAYING SOLID SCREEDING
LEGEND:

- FLOOR AREA ABOUT 10m²
- NON-LOAD BEARING WALL SHOWN ON APPROVED PLAN
- NON-LOAD BEARING BLOCK WALL ACCORDING TO THE MINOR WORKS ITEM 3.40 IS CARRIED OUT

*The aggregate length of any additional block wall per m² of the floor area of the flat on which the wall is located is less than 0.2m.

Floor area of the flat about 35 m² (NOT TO SCALE)

Note:
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