

Cladding

Cladding means a facing or architectural decoration additional to the external walls of any building. This includes polished granite slabs, marble facing, and the like, which should comply with the requirements covered by the Building (Construction) Regulations in respect of strength and durability.

2. Furthermore, cladding should be provided with sufficient permanently flexible joints horizontally and vertically to allow for differential movement in the cladding and in the structure to which it is attached. Any metal dowels and fixings securing the cladding should be suitable, permanent and adequately protected from corrosion. Generally sand/cement bedding alone, is not considered a suitable and permanent fixing.

3. Where cladding is to be affixed to any building, details of the thickness, strength, durability, fixings and sequence of support should be submitted for approval. Failure to do so may result in delay or refusal to grant an occupation permit when the building is complete.

4. See also PNAP:106 on curtain wall systems.



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