
STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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The Building Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2012

PART B

Materials and workmanship

Interpretation

22. In this Part—

“Harmful substances” includes fumes and vapours; and

“Relevant work” means—

- (a) the erection of a building;
- (b) the structural alteration or extension of a building;
- (c) the provision of any service or fitting; or
- (d) the backfilling of any excavation carried out in connection with (a), (b) or (c).

Fitness of materials and workmanship

23. In any relevant work—

(a) the materials used shall—

- (i) be of a suitable nature and quality in relation to the purposes for and the conditions in which they are used;
- (ii) be adequately mixed and prepared;
- (iii) be applied, used or fixed so as adequately to perform the functions for which they are designed; and
- (iv) not continue to emit any harmful substance longer than is reasonable in the circumstances; and

(b) the standards of materials and workmanship need be no more than are necessary to—

- (i) secure the health, safety, welfare and convenience of persons in or about the building; and
- (ii) further the conservation of fuel and power.

Urea formaldehyde foam

24.—(1) Subject to paragraph (2), in-situ foamed urea formaldehyde shall not be used in the erection, structural alteration or extension of a building.

(2) In-situ foamed urea formaldehyde may be used for filling the cavity of a cavity wall having an inner leaf constructed of bricks or blocks, provided that it is—

- (a) suitable for such an application; and

(b) satisfactorily installed.