

# U-Value Calculation and Condensation Risk Assessment

**Project Information** 3 Fernside Avenue, HD5 8NR  
 Construction: Internal dry lining - mechanically fastened  
 Construction Type: Wall  
 File reference: 1-HE-231011-082553-559  
 Calculated U-value =  $0.31W/m^2K$

## Selected Build-Up

Description	Thickness (mm)	Thermal Conductivity (W/mK)	Thermal Resistance (m <sup>2</sup> K/W)	Thermal Bridging	Vapour Resistivity (MNs/gm)	Vapour Resistance (MNs/g)	
Inside Surface			0.130				
KOOLTHERM K118 62.5mm (12.5mm plasterboard internal finish)	62.5		2.697			102.100	
TIMBER BATTEN CAVITY; U/V.	25.0		0.486	11.4% wall timber - 47mm batten @ 600mm ctrs + 47mm noggins @ 1200mm ctrs, 600.0 centres		0.050	
SANDSTONE	450.0	2.300	0.220	6.6% Mortar, 450.0 centres	135.000	60.750	 1
Outside Surface			0.040				

Key  Bridged and fastened  Bridged  Fastened

## Supporting Information

1. existing

## Product Details

For further information on the specified products e.g. literature or specification clauses, please follow the links below or scan the QR code to the right:

Kingspan Kooltherm K118 Insulated Plasterboard  
[www.kingspaninsulation.co.uk/k118](http://www.kingspaninsulation.co.uk/k118)



## Detailed U-value

The calculation method is in accordance with BS EN ISO 6946:2017 / I.S. EN ISO 6946:2017. A simplified summary of the steps involved are shown below

$$R_{total}(R_{tot}) = R_{si} + R_1 + R_2 + \dots + R_n + R_{se}$$

For a construction containing inhomogeneous layers the upper and lower resistances of the construction must be used

$$R_{tot;upper} = 1/((f_a/R_{tot;a}) + (f_b/R_{tot;b}) + \dots + (f_q/R_{tot;q}))$$

$$R_j = 1/((f_a/R_{aj}) + (f_b/R_{bj}) + \dots + (f_q/R_{qj}))$$

$$R_{tot;lower} = R_{si} + R_1 + R_2 + R_j + \dots + R_n + R_{se}$$

$$R_{tot} = (R_{tot;upper} + R_{tot;lower})/2$$

$$= (3.567 + 3.509)/2$$

$$U = 1/R_{tot}$$

$$= 3.538$$

$$\Delta U = \Delta U_g + \Delta U_f + \Delta U_r$$

$\Delta U_g$  correction for air voids - 0.0000

$\Delta U_f$  correction for fasteners by approximate procedure - 0.0242

( Fastener 1 : alpha 0.80 | fasteners per m<sup>2</sup> 16.700 | fasteners cross sectional area 4.000 mm<sup>2</sup> | thermal conductivity of fasteners 50.00 W/mK )

$\Delta U_f$  correction for fasteners by detailed calculation method (rainscreen cladding) – 0.0000  
(point thermal transmittance 0.000 W/K | fasteners per m<sup>2</sup> 0.000)

$\Delta U_r$  correction for inverted roofs – 0.0000  
(precipitation 0.000 mm/day | f• x 0.0000)

$$\text{Total U-value } (U_c) = U + \Delta U$$

If  $\Delta U$  is less than 3% of U then the corrections need not be applied.

Calculations including a steel frame construction are calculated in accordance with BRE Digest 465.

## Condensation

Condensation calculations have been performed in accordance with BS EN ISO 13788:2012 and BS 5250:2021 and the risk assessed within environmental conditions with the following characteristics

Humidity class 2 - Offices, shops and dwellings with low occupancy

Location: 2 England E & NE

Condensation risk has been assessed up to and including Level 2 Humidity Class (2 - Offices, shops and dwellings with low occupancy) within worst case environment conditions. The risk level is 1 in 20 years

Condensation has been calculated to accumulate at the followings interfaces:

Interface1: TIMBER BATTEN CAVITY; U/V. / SANDSTONE

## Condensation Analysis

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Internal Temperature (°C)	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0
Internal Relative Humidity (%)	51.6	51.1	51.3	52.9	56.5	61.9	66.1	66.9	63.1	58.8	53.5	52.3
External Temperature (°C)	1.2	1.3	3.4	5.5	8.8	11.9	13.8	13.7	11.6	8.3	4.0	1.9
External Relative Humidity (%)	90.0	88.0	83.5	82.5	81.0	81.0	81.0	82.5	84.0	87.5	88.5	90.5
Interface1 (Gc (kg/m <sup>2</sup> ))	0.007	0.005	0.001	-0.002	-0.009	-0.013	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.003	0.006
Interface1 (Ma (kg/m <sup>2</sup> ))	0.016	0.022	0.022	0.020	0.011	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.003	0.009

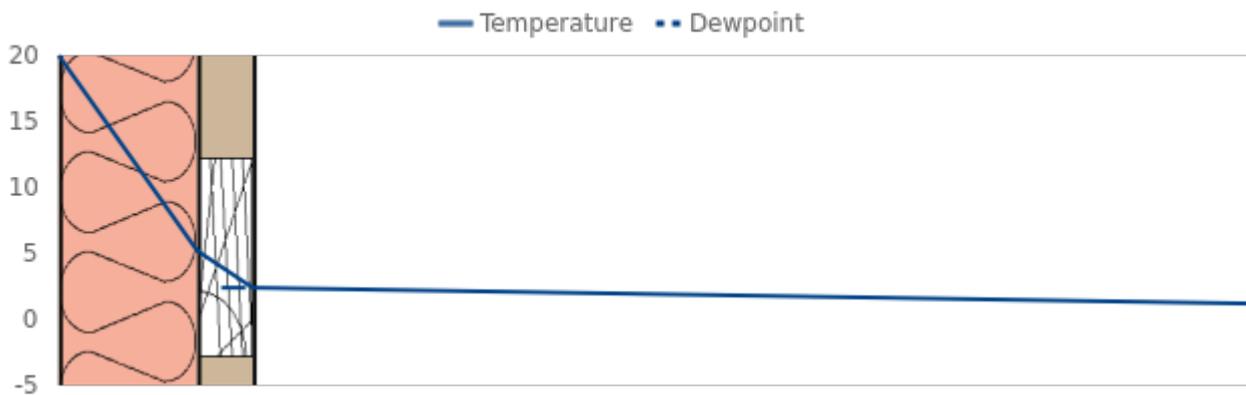
Gc = Monthly moisture accumulation per area at an interface

Ma = Accumulated moisture content per area at an interface

Peak accumulated moisture content per area at interface1 (Ma) = 0.022m Kg/m<sup>2</sup>

Annual moisture accumulation (Ma) = 0.000 Kg/m<sup>2</sup>

Peak moisture build-up month: February



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