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2.0 Ground Conditions

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The long term performance of a channel installation to sustain vertical and lateral loads depends upon A) ground conditions B) stability of the adjacent pavement and C) a durable concrete bed and surround. The recommended installation detail may require the minimum dimensions to be revised to achieve site specific load class requirements (referred to in 1.0 above).

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3.0 Location and Connection with Sub Surface Drainage Guidance The sump or gully should be positioned at the lowest channel invert point. With the base level, connect pipework, locate gully top if required and concrete the complete assembly in position. Any channel knockouts should remain until channel connection. The channels should then be selected (in order from deepest to shallowest) starting from the outlet, to make up the length of channel required and lay out. Install channels in order from the outlet and ensure the channels are butt together to ensure sealing grooves meet sufficiently. Note: For any channel system, sump/gully unit end plates will need to be cut to match the invert depth of adjacent channel units.

4.0 Cutting and Jointing Mitre joints are formed by cutting the channels to the required angle and butting them together with appropriate sealant (e.g. Sikaflex 11FC or similar) or ACO Repair Kit. Angles can be formed using radius or mitre units or by connecting them using proprietary PVCu pipework attached to ACO inlet/outlet endcaps. For further details please contact ACO Design Services Team.

5.0 Isolation Joints

The channel must be isolated from the surrounding environment. An isolation joint must be positioned up to 1500mm from the channel wall. Any dowel bars must be located no nearer than 150mm from the channel wall. Other isolation joints in surrounding slab must be continued through the channel. Additional crack control may be required to comply with specifier requirements.

6.0 Block Pavements

The channel must be supported laterally. Blocks laid directly against a channel must be laid as a soldier course and restrained from movement by bedding securely on the concrete haunch e.g. by using a polymer modified mortar for bed and perpendicular joints (e.g. RONAFIX mortar mix C or similar). Alternatively, extend concrete haunch up to finished paving level (as depicted in Option 2). Blocks or slabs bedded on sand remote from the channel should be set at a higher level to compensate for possible settlement of the paving in service.

7.0 Watertight Installation to BS EN 1433:2002

Where ACO channel joints/fittings and channel/pavement interfaces are to be sealed, an appropriate sealant should be used (e.g. Sikaflex 11FC or similar). Guidance on the necessary surface preparation and/or priming should be sought from the sealant manufacturer.

- For Guidance a typical method of application follows: The end faces of the channels are to be sound and free from dust, oil, and grease, with any loose material or dirt removed, e.g. by mechanical wire brush. No water drops should be evident. Using a standard cartridge gun, apply the sealant evenly and with no flaws. The detail on the ends of a channel varies from one product to
- another
- Products with a basically flat face apply the sealant in a layer approximately 5mm thick to one face of the joint.
- Products with a sealing groove within the end face apply the sealant in a bead of approximately 10mm diameter into the sealing groove. Products with a sealing groove following the inside shape of the channel - apply the sealant to the end face of the channel and to the
- sealant groove, such that when the joint is completed, the sealant will both cover the end face and fill the groove. The channel unit should be placed on the prepared concrete bedding and pressed against the previously placed channel unit. A sealed joint of
- approximately 1-2mm width should be formed between adjacent channel units.
- Excess sealant should be wiped from the inside face of the channel to leave a smooth finish. The sealant is to be left to cure for 24 hours, during which time the sealant should be kept as dry as possible. -

Note: Galvanised steel and iron products have good corrosion resistance to concrete and mortar products but may experience corrosion if high chloride and/or sulphate content is present. Use only good quality concrete and consider using corrosion inhibitors where necessary. The use of protective coatings, such as paint, can minimise the risk of corrosion.

Blocks set 3-6mm minimum above top of edge rail

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