Autoclaved Aerated Concrete (AAC)

What Is AAC? (Light Weight Concrete)
Autoclaved Aerated Concrete (AAC) is manufactured from cement, sand (silica), lime and water, it is aerated by adding an expanding agent to the mix (small amounts of aluminium paste). The mix is poured into a mould (a very large cake tin), to approximately 2/3 of the height of the mould, almost instantly the expanding agent reacts with the other elements, and the mix begins to rise in the mould. (A chemical reaction expands the mixture to form small, finely-dispersed air bubbles).

The moulds are pre-cured in a heated room for several hours. Then the semi-solid material (still in a green state) is transported to the cutting machine. The soft but semi-solid block is sliced into the required panel size using steel wires. Once sliced, the block is steam pressure cured in autoclaves for up to 12 hours. The expanding chemical reaction combined with the Autoclave process is what gives AAC its unique properties. AAC has excellent thermal insulation and acoustic absorption properties, it has superior fire resistance qualities and is also termite resistant.

Its properties and specifications satisfy all relevant building codes. Working with AAC is easy and efficient. AAC is both versatile and economical. AAC meets the diverse demands better than any other material due to the numerous advantages of its physical and mechanical properties.

Loxo® & Nasahi in Australia

Nasahi have signed an exclusive agreement within the territory of Australia for Loxo® to be the sole distributor of Nasahi’s 50mm AAC Loxo® panel. Nasahi was formed via a joint venture between the world leader in AAC technology (Japan) and the world leader in low cost, efficient manufacturing (China), the result being a high quality, technologically advanced, low cost AAC Building Materials Manufacturer. With a total investment exceeding $45,000,000 USD Nasahi are one of the largest AAC manufactures in the world and are renowned worldwide for their quality manufacturing practices.

Loxo® has adopted Nasahi’s high quality 50 mm AAC products and created a simple and robust external cladding system ideally suited for the Australian and New Zealand building markets.

Note:
All Documentation in this manual is based on the Loxo 50mm panel AAC Panel.
When designing or using the 75mm panel all detailing remains consistent with this Design & Installation Manual apart from minimum embedment of screw fixings being 30mm into the Joists.
The weight of the 75mm panel will be approximately 47kg/m².
Compliance with Building Code of Australia

The BCA is part of the Australian National Construction Code system and defines minimum standards for buildings. The BCA consists of two volumes:

**Volume One** - provides requirements for commercial, residential and public building defined as Class 2 to 9 in the BCA. Typical examples include offices, commercial, health buildings, flats and boarding houses.

**Volume Two** – Housing Provisions, considers domestic construction defined as Class 1 and 10. Typical examples include houses, garages, swimming pools, carpports and the like. The BCA is a performance based building code and contains requirements for Structures, Fire Resistance; Damp & Weatherproofing, Sound Transmissions & Insulation and Energy Efficiency.

The Loxo® Panel Systems and Compliance with the BCA

The Loxo® Panel Systems have been assessed to meet and comply with all the necessary requirements of the BCA. This Design & Installation Manual contains the information necessary to assist in the design of a project.

The designer should ensure the proposed use of the system satisfies the Performance Requirements and provides sufficient design information (including Loxo® appraisal and installation manuals) to satisfy the requirements of the appropriate authority.

The Loxo® Panel Systems have been appraised by BEAL in New Zealand (Certificate Number C1128) and CodeMark via CertMark in Australia (CodeMark Certificate Number CMA-CM40159) to meet all the required provisions of the Building Code of Australia for Volume One and Volume Two as listed below.

1. **Volume One BP1.1, BP1.2 and Volume Two P2.1** in respect of structural performance;
2. **Volume One CP1, CP2 and Volume Two P2.3,1** in respect of fire performance;
3. **Volume One FP1.4 and Volume Two P2.2.2** in respect of weatherproofing for external walls;
4. **Volume One FP1.5 and Volume Two P2.2.3** in respect of damp-proofing for external walls
5. **Volume One FFP5.2 and Volume Two P2.4.6** in respect of acoustic performance of walls
6. **Volume One GP5.1 and Volume Two P2.3,4 and P3.7,4** in respect buildings constructed in a designated bushfire prone area.
7. **Volume One JP1 and Volume Two P2.6.1** in respect of energy efficiency of walls

The Loxo® Panel Systems have been appraised as an Alternative Solution in terms of compliance with the Building Code of Australia.

The CodeMark Certificate and the BEAL Appraisal are attached in the Appendix of this Design and Installation Manual or visit [www.loxo.com.au](http://www.loxo.com.au) to download a copy.

**Standard Compliance:** All works shall be carried out in accordance with the Building Code of Australia (BCA) and where necessary nominated reference standards.

- AS 1720 Timber Framing Code
- AS 1684-2006 National Timber Framing Code
- AS 2870-1996 Residential Slabs and Footing Construction
- AS 3959-2009 Construction of Buildings in Bushfire-Prone Zone Areas
- AS 2904-1995 Damp-proof course and flashings
- AS 3600-2001 Concrete Structures
- AS 1170 Part 1 Loading Code
- AS 1170 Part 2 Wind Code
- AS 4055-2006 Wind Loading for Housing
- AS 3623 and AS/NZ 4600 – Steel Framing
- NASH Standard 2005, Part 1 – Steel Framing

Where standards have been revised, the most current version shall apply.
Using the Loxo® Floor System

Your Floor – build it with Loxo®

- Solid, masonry and lightweight
- High fire resistance
- Sound acoustic qualities

The Loxo® 50mm Lightweight AAC Floor Panel System

The Loxo Floor Panel System is designed to be used in residential construction over timber or steel framing floor joists systems spaced at 440mm centres. The system consists of 50mm thick Loxo Panels, reinforced with corrosion protected steel in both directions. For fast, clean construction, Loxo panels are available in standard sizes of 2200mm in length and 600mm in width.

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Quality Control

Quality from start to finish

It is highly recommended that Loxo® Floor panels are installed by approved Installers in accordance with the Loxo® Floor Design and Installation Manual. With these measures in place plus strict system protocol Loxo® offers a warrantee of 15 years on materials and 7 years on workmanship adding peace of mind to all owners. Loxo® and associated manufacturers both adhere to the ISO 9001 international standards for management of quality.

The 50mm thick, steel reinforced Loxo® Floor Panels are manufactured from autoclaved aerated concrete with an average density of 660kg/m³. The Loxo® Floor Panels are supplied in standard sizes of 2200mm in length and 600mm width and have an average weight of approx 37kg/panel.
Installation of 50mm Loxo® Floor Panel

- Floor Joists Frame is completed.
  - Joist set out at 440mm centres
  - Minimum joist width of 45mm required, but joist width of 63mm or greater is preferred
  - 90mm joist shown

- Apply construction adhesive to joist
  - Position panel over construction adhesive
  - Fix panel to joist with 14gx75mm bugle screws
  - 2 screws per joist
  - Min 50mm from panel edges

- Apply construction adhesive to panel edge and joist.

- Apply construction adhesive to the next lot of joist to accept the next panel length
  - Butt panels end to end
  - Ensure panels are aligned
  - Screw fix as per previous
  - Screws at joint to be fixed between both panels
  - i.e. share the screws between both panels
Basic Tools Required

- Power Drills and Drive Bits
- Cordless Drills
- Power Saw with Diamond Blades
- Vacuum
- Mixing Drill
- Mixing Bucket
- Electric Leads and Power Box

• Apply construction adhesive to all panel edges and joist
• Start next row of panels with a minimum of 440mm staggered joint

• Continue panel installation in the “stretcher bond”, staggered panel layout.

• Continue panel installation until the floor area is complete.

• Combine Loxo 50mm Floor Panels with Compressed Sheet flooring in wet areas to effortlessly achieve the desired step down for wet areas.
Delivery Storage & Handling

Delivery
Loxo® Panels are flat-packed delivered to site (20 in a pack) and shall be unloaded or moved with approved lifting devices. For transport and lifting purposes the wet mass of the panels should be used. Each pack has a wet mass of approximately 900kg including the packaging. To minimise double handling and save time the packs should be unloaded as close as possible to the installation area. Loxo® panel packs should only be stacked one pack high (on site) and properly supported on level ground. Always consult the project engineer as to the adequacy of the structure to support the packs if they are to be placed on any part of the structure.

- **Storage**
  All Loxo® material should be kept dry and preferably under cover, all care should be taken to avoid damage to the face, ends and edges of the panels.
  When Loxo® Panels are stored outside they must be off the ground and protected from the weather.

- **Manual Handling**
  Physical manual handling of Loxo® Panels around the work site should be kept to a minimum, always support the weight by a two man lift procedure, and where the manual handling becomes excessive with respect to distance from the installation area, Loxo® recommends the use of trolleys and/or other mechanical devices.

![Carry on edge not recommended on Flat](image)

Occupational Health & Safety (OH&S):

Loxo® AAC Panels, along with all clay, concrete and quarry products contains Crystalline Silica, or Silica Dust. Prolonged exposure to Silica dust without the correct PPE can be harmful and potentially cause life threatening health hazards such as bronchitis, silicosis and lung cancer.

The Loxo® AAC Panel itself does not cause health problems – however when cutting, drilling, sawing, routing, chasing, sanding and in any way breaking up the material there is the potential for health problems to occur unless standard precautionary measures are taken. Breathing in the dust repeatedly, over many years may lead to health problems.

It is most unlikely to breath in the fine silica dust when stacking, loading or laying panels.
When breaking up the material, sawing, drilling etc it is imperative that safety masks and eye protection is worn. Ensure the mask fits properly and is approved for use with dust. Protective clothing should also be worn e.g. overalls. These should be washed often and not in the same wash as other clothes.

The site should be cleaned of dust every day and when using power tools these should be tagged for use as required and be fitted with efficient and well maintained dust extraction devices.

The Loxo® Cladding Panel Installer on site has a responsibility to inform all employees of these Health and Safety requirements under the Occupational Health and Safety Act.

- **Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)**

  When working with Loxo® panels, Loxo® recommends (as a minimum) that the following PPE is worn:
  - P1 or P2 Dust masks – complying with AS/NZS1715 and AS/NZS1716
  - Glasses / Goggles - complying with AS1336
  - Ear Plugs / Ear Muffs – Class 5
  - Gloves, long sleeve shirt and long pants – to prevent possible skin irritation and skin cancer from working outdoors.
  - Steel Cap Boots
Cutting
Loxo® Panels can be easily cut, drilled, routered, or chased using power or hand tools. When working with Loxo® Panels ensure that the PPE as previously described is worn. As an added measure of containing the dust when working with AAC products, Loxo® recommends the use of dust extraction equipment.

Loxo® panels are delivered to site flat packed, which gives flexibility to cutting as it can be used as the cutting bench as the panels are required. (make sure that the saw blade is adjusted to the right cutting depth so as not to cut through the panel below). Any exposed reinforcement during cutting must be coated with Loxo® Corrosion Protection Touch Up Paint. For a copy of the full range of Loxo® MSDS sheets, visit the Loxo® website;www.loxo.com.au

Maintenance
Regular checks and cleaning, at least annually, of the jointing and coating systems must be carried out and any routine maintenance performed as and when required to maintain weather tightness. Any damage to the coating system must be promptly repaired by an approved applicator to ensure the integrity of the coating system is maintained.

Hazardous Materials
In reference to the BCA regarding Hazardous Building Materials, Loxo® Panels are non-hazardous, providing all safety precautions included in this literature are adhered to.

Loxo® is a quality building product, and is backed by Loxo® Cladding Systems Pty Ltd.

For further details on engineering and building with the Loxo® system, sales or technical assistance please visit our website: www.loxo.com.au and obtain the latest Design & Installation Manual.

Guarantee
Loxo® Autoclaved Aerated Concrete products are guaranteed to be free of defect in material and manufacture.
This guarantee excludes all other guarantees and liability for consequential damage or losses in connection with defective cladding, other than those imposed by legislation.

Warranty
Loxo® Panels and associated materials, when installed as exterior wall cladding, are warranted for a minimum of 15 years (from date of purchase), meeting the 7 year requirements outlined in the BCA and the relevant Australian Standards. The Loxo® products are designed to have a life span significantly in excess of this minimum period.

The Loxo® Approved Coating Systems are warranted by the coating system manufacturers for a period of 7 years (from date of completion) meeting the 7 year requirements outlined in the BCA and the relevant Australian Standards. The Loxo® Approved Coating products are designed to have a life span significantly in excess of this minimum period.

Disclaimer:
While every effort is made by Loxo® to ensure that the information in this publication is accurate at the time of publication, Loxo® makes no representation about the contents and suitability of this information for any purpose. You should make your own enquiries to determine whether the Loxo® product is suitable for your needs. As the use and installation of the Loxo® product is outside of our control, Loxo® accepts no responsibility for any loss or damage arising from the improper or incorrect use of the product. Use of the Loxo® product is subject to all pre-existing rights and any requirements of the law in your jurisdiction.

Loxo® reserves the right to revise or amend this manual and its contents from time to time without notification to any persons or individuals of such revisions or amendments.

It is advised to refer to the Loxo® website for the most up to date version or addition thereof.
CERTIFICATE OF CONFORMITY

This is to certify that

Loxo Cladding System

Complies with the National Construction Code – Volume One - Building Code of Australia 2015:
1. Specification A2.3 where an FRL of 120/120/120 is required subject to the installation conditions
2. BP1.1, BP1.2
   a. BV1, B1.2
3. CP1 and CP2
   a. C1.1 – Type of construction required (including SA C1.1)
   i. Specification C1.1 – Fire-Resisting Construction where an FRL of no more than 120/120/120 is required
4. FP1.4
5. FP1.5 (including SA FP1.5)
6. FP5.2 (including NT FP5.2)
   a. F5.5 Sound insulation rating of walls (including NT F5.5)
7. GP5.1 (including NSW and QLD GP5.1, Tas GP5.1(a))
   a. G5.2 Protection (including NSW G5.2, SA G5.2, SA G5.3)
8. JP1 (including NSW JA(P1)), in NT and QLD Section J is replaced by BCA 2009 Section J
   a. J1.5 – Energy Efficiency of Walls

Complies with the National Construction Code – Volume Two - Building Code of Australia 2015:
1. P2.1.1 Structural stability and resistance to actions
   a. Part 3.3.2 Reinforced masonry
2. P2.2.2 Weatherproofing
   a. Part 3.3.4 Weatherproofing of Masonry
3. P2.2.3 Dampness
   a. Part 3.2.5 Footing and Slab Construction
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   a. Part 3.8.6 Sound insulation
7. P2.6.1 Energy Efficiency Building (in NSW Part 2.6 does not apply, in NT Part 2.6 is replaced by BCA 2009 Part 2.6, Vic P2.6.1)
   a. Part 3.12.1.4 External walls

Subject to the following Conditions & Limitations:

a. This certificate is limited to the details within this certificate including the above compliance elements, product description, purpose or use as well as the attached Schedule of Product Compliance. This certification and the Schedule of Product Compliance is to be read, considered and used as a whole document.
b. The Loxo cladding system is to be designed and constructed in accordance with the Loxo 50mm and 75mm External Wall AAC Panel System Design and Installation Manual, September Edition 2015, Loxo 50mm AAC Party Wall System Design and Installation Manual, September 2015, Loxo 50mm and 75mm AAC Floor System Design and Installation Manual, September Edition 2015
   c. Compliance with Volume One FP1.5 and Volume Two P2.2.3 in respect of damp-proofing for external walls, if provided with damp-proof courses complying with AS 3700—2011 Clauses 4.7.3, 11.6, and 12.4.16.
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Schedule of Product Compliance

The following table details the relevant clauses of the BCA related to the compliance of this product. Sections detailed as not relevant are excluded from evaluation under this certificate. These sections will need to be evaluated independently of this certificate.

### Volume One

#### Section A – General Provisions

Specification A2.3 Fire-Resistance of Building Elements has been satisfied, through CSIRO testing to AS1530.4:2005 where an FRL of 120/120/120 is required subject to the conditions of this certificate and the Loxo design and installation manuals.

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Screw size should be No. 14 as specified.

#### Section C – Fire Resistance

The product has been tested by the CSIRO to AS1530.4:2005 where an FRL of 120/120/120 is achieved. The product is permitted to be used where an FRL of no more than 120/120/120 is required subject to the following detail:
- External wall exposed to fire source outside with 10mm internal plasterboard lining: 120/120/90
- External wall exposed to fire source outside with 13mm internal fire-grade plasterboard lining: 120/120/120
- Party wall exposed to fire source either side with 10mm plasterboard lining both sides: 90/90/90

#### Section D – Access and Egress – Not Relevant

#### Section E – Services and Equipment – Not Relevant

#### Section F – Health and Amenity

Weatherproofing
Compliance with Volume One FP1.5 and Volume Two P2.2.2.3 in respect of damp-proofing for external walls, if provided with damp-proof courses complying with AS 3700–2011 Clauses 4.7.3, 11.6, and 12.4.16.

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**Acoustic**

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**Section G – Ancillary Provisions - Bushfire**

With respect of buildings constructed in a designated bushfire prone area, when designed and constructed in accordance with the fire-rated construction specifications and details in the Loxo 50mm AAC Panel System Design and Installation Manual, September Edition 2015, and the requirements of AS 3959–2009, is acceptable for use in all bushfire attack levels including BAL–FZ.

**Section H – Special Use Buildings – Not Relevant**

**Section J – Energy Efficiency**

The product achieves a Total R-value of at least 2.94 for winter, 2.72 for summer and up to 3.47 for winter and 3.21 for summer depending on the wall design. Refer to the relevant installation manual for applicable value.

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The above figures refer to a system R-Value (i.e. including air films, cavity and other components)

In applications where complying thermal resistances of walls or floors are to be calculated, a thermal resistance of R 0.336 m²·k/W shall be used for 50mm thick Loxo AAC panels.

End of Schedule
Product

1.1 The LOXO Cladding Panel Veneer System is a drainable non-ventilated cavity system, comprising Autoclaved Aerated Concrete (AAC) wall cladding panels with a meshed base render, texture coated finish. It is designed to be used as an external wall cladding system for residential and light commercial type buildings where domestic construction techniques are used.

1.2 The system consists of Autoclaved Aerated Concrete (AAC) panels (LOXO Cladding Panels) fixed over a batten system that has been fixed to a timber or metal wall frame. There is a choice of two batten types; (i) high density polystyrene, and (ii) H3 treated pine timber. The battens can form a cavity from 20mm to 40mm, depending on the requirements of the project.

1.3 A LOXO approved coating system must comply with the following:

   1.3.1 A minimum of a 3mm thick Base Coat render reinforced with fibreglass mesh;
   1.3.2 A Primer/Sealer. (Optional - dependent on coating manufacturers recommendations);
   1.3.3 A minimum of a 1.0mm thick Texture Coat (Wet Texture or Dry Texture material);

   The Wet Textures may be coloured through (tinted) and may not require the application of a paint system (dependent on coating manufacturers recommendations)
   The Dry Textures will require the application of a 100% acrylic based exterior paint system.

1.4 The system incorporates a primary and secondary means of weather resistance. The primary being the aesthetic coating system applied over the LOXO AAC Panels, but in the event that water was to find its way through the coated wall cladding layer, the cavity acts as the secondary means of weather resistance. The non-ventilated cavity system allows the water to drain to the base of the wall and exit via the (non sealed) perimeter flashing (DPC) which acts as a continual drain (weep hole) at the base of the wall, regardless if the wall is resting on or overhanging the slab or floor system.

Building Regulations

2.1 In the opinion of BEAL, the LOXO Cladding Panel Veneer System, if designed, installed and maintained in accordance with the statements and conditions of this Appraisal Certificate, will meet or contribute to meeting the following provisions of the Building Code of Australia:

   BCA 2011 Volume 2 Class 1 and class 10 buildings (Houses, sheds, carports etc.)
   Part 2.1 - Structure: Performance requirement P2.1 (see Paragraphs 9.1 to 9.6)
   Part 2.2 - Damp and Weatherproofing: Performance requirement P2.2.2 Weatherproofing (see Paragraphs 12.1 to 12.7)
   Part 2.3 - Fire Safety: Performance requirement P2.3.1 (see Paragraph 11.1)
Part 2.6 – Energy Efficiency: Performance requirement P2.6.1 Building (see Paragraph 13.1 to 13.3)

2.2 The LOXO Cladding Panel Veneer System has been appraised as an Alternative Solution in terms of compliance with the Building Code of Australia.

Scope and Limitations

3.1 The LOXO Cladding Panel Veneer System has been appraised for use as an external wall cladding system for buildings within the following scope:

- On class 1 and class 10 type buildings; and,
- Constructed with timber framing complying with AS1684 Parts 2 and 4; or,
- Constructed with steel framing complying with AS/NZS4600 and NASH Standard 2005 Part 1; and,
- Situated in non cycloonic wind zones up to, and including N3.

3.2 The LOXO Cladding Panel Veneer System must only be installed on vertical surfaces (except for tops of parapets, sills and balustrades, which must have a minimum 5° slope and be weatherproofed in accordance with the Technical Literature).

3.3 The system is appraised for use with aluminum window and door joinery that is installed with vertical jambs and horizontal heads and sills. (The Appraisal of the LOXO Cladding Panel Veneer System relies on joinery meeting the requirements of AS2047 for the relevant building wind zone or being specifically designed for use in specifically designed buildings).

3.4 Installation of components and accessories supplied by LOXO must be carried out only by personnel trained and certified by LOXO.

Technical Literature

4.1 Refer to the LOXO Cladding Panel Veneer System Technical Manual Edition Dec 2011. The Technical Literature must be read in conjunction with this Appraisal. All aspects of design, use, installation and maintenance contained within the Technical Literature and scope of this Appraisal Certificate must be followed.

4.2 For a copy of this Technical Literature and any subsequent updates please refer to: www.loxo.com.au

Technical Specification

System Components and Accessories:

5.1 LOXO Cavity Battens:

- Cavity battens are 20mm to 40mm thick and 250mm long, manufactured from either:
  - (i) Very High Density (Class VH) EPS with a density of no less than 28kg/m³.
  - (ii) H3 treated pine timber

5.2 LOXO Cavity Batten Fixing:

- (i) 50mm hot dipped galvanized steel flat head nail for use with the 20mm battens to timber frames;
- (ii) 75mm hot dipped galvanized steel flat head nail for use with the 40mm battens to timber frames;
- (iii) 40mm galvanized drill point countersunk screws for use with the 20mm battens to steel frames
- (iv) 60mm galvanized drill point countersunk screws for use with the 40mm battens to steel frames;
- (v) Construction Adhesive such as Maxbond, Liquid Nails or similar may be used to temporarily fix the battens to the frame or building wrap;

5.3 Vermin Control Strips, or Cavity Closer Strips:

- Metal: Metal Vermin Control Strips or Cavity Closer Strips are continuous metal top hats used to close the gap between the bottom plate and the back of the panel. Mitre cut top hats at corners to maintain vermin proofing. The top hats are fixed to the bottom plate using:
  - 12-11 x 25mm Hex Head Type 17 screws for timber frames
  - 10-16 x 16mm Hex Head Tek screws for steel frames

5.4 Vermin Control Strips, or Cavity Closer Strips:

- Timber: Timber Vermin Control Strips, or Cavity Closer Strips are continuous timber LOXO Cavity Battens used to close the gap between the bottom plate and the back of the panel. Mitre cut or butt timber battens at corners to maintain vermin proofing, the timber strips are installed to the bottom plate with 75mm hot dipped galvanised steel flat head nail.

5.5 LOXO Cladding Panels:

- LOXO Cladding Panels are manufactured from autoclaved aerated concrete with an approximate density of 560kg/m³. LOXO Cladding Panels are supplied in lengths of 2200mm long by 600mm wide, and are available in the following thicknesses:
  - 50mm and weigh approx 37kg per panel
  - 75mm and weigh approx 56kg per panel

5.6 LOXO Cladding Panel Fasteners:

- 14-10 x 75mm MP Bugle Head Type 17 screw is used to fix panels to timber battens.
- 14-10 x 100mm MP Bugle Head Type 17 screw must be used with EPS battens up to a maximum cavity thickness of 20mm to ensure a minimum of 25mm of the screw is embedded into the timber frame. These screws are also used in steel frames with EPS battens up to a maximum cavity thickness of 40mm.
  - 14-10 x 125mm MP Bugle Head Type 17 screw must be used with EPS battens up to a maximum cavity thickness of 40mm to ensure a minimum of 25mm of the screw is embedded into the timber frame.

NOTE: A minimum of Class 3 fasteners must be used with the LOXO Cladding Panel Veneer System. AS3566 corrosion class 3 or 4 fasteners must be used in BCA defined corrosion zones 1,2,3, and 4. Grade 304 stainless steel in the sea spray zone.

5.7 LOXO Panel Adhesive:

- LOXO Panel Adhesive is a polymer modified cement based material supplied in 20kg bags. The adhesive is used for bonding the panel joints during construction and must be applied to both vertical and horizontal panel joints.
The base coat render must be fully meshed. It must be a polymer-modified, Portland cement-based render; it is mixed on site with clean drinking water. It is applied as a base coat, either over or encapsulating a high quality alkali resistant fibre glass mesh reinforcement. Ensure there is a minimum of 2mm thickness over the mesh. The total meshed base coat should have a minimum thickness of 3mm.

6.2 The Reinforcing Mesh:
The Reinforcing Mesh must be a high quality alkali resistant fiberglass mesh with a nominal size of approx. 4mm – 5mm square and a weight of 150g/m² for use in domestic and light commercial situations.

6.3 Primer Coat (Optional):
A water based primer/sealer to enhance adhesion. (Refer to coating manufacturer’s specification)

6.4 Texture Coat:
Two specifications for the Texture Coat material are available:

6.4.1 Dry Texture: (Cement based polymer modified dry powder)
A high build cement based polymer modified coating applied with a trowel or float over the basecoat. The texture must have a minimum thickness of 1.0mm. It is mandatory to overcoat the dry texture with a LOXO approved paint system.

6.4.2 Wet Texture: (A pre-mixed full acrylic texture)
A high build full acrylic coating applied with a trowel or float over the basecoat. The texture must have a minimum thickness of 1.0mm. The Wet Textures may be coloured through (tinted) and may not require the application of a paint system (dependent on coating manufacturers recommendations). In the case were a paint system is not required, the application of the wet texture forms the primary means of weather resistance.

6.5 Paint System:
The paint system (membrane coating) must comprise a minimum of two coats of a 100% acrylic-based exterior paint. The paint / membrane must be applied to a minimum dry film thickness of 150µm per coat and must have a crack bridging capability of five (5) times the total dry film thickness. The application of the paint system forms the primary means of weather resistance.

Handling and Storage

7.1 Handling and storage of all the materials supplied by LOXO or the accredited contractor, both on and off site are under the control of LOXO accredited contractors.

7.2 Dry storage must be provided on site for the LOXO Cladding Panel, fiberglass mesh and bags of adhesive/render with the LOXO Cladding Panels stored flat and protected from physical damage. EPS and timber battens, flashing, mouldings etc. must be protected from direct sunlight, physical damage and stored flat and under cover out of the weather. All liquid components shall be stored in dry, frost free conditions.

7.3 Handling of LOXO Cladding Panels require care to prevent damage to corners or excessive flexing. Panels should always be carried on edge.

7.4 Handling and storage of all the materials supplied by the building contractor, both on and off site is the responsibility of the building contractor. Materials must be handled and stored in accordance with the manufacturer’s instructions.
Design Information

Framing

Timber Framing

8.1 Timber used in timber framing shall be treated as required by the relevant Part of AS1684.

8.2 Timber framing must comply with the relevant Part of AS1684 for both buildings or parts of buildings. Where buildings or parts of buildings are outside the scope of AS1684 then they must be to specific design in accordance with AS 1720. In all cases, studs must be at a maximum of 600mm centres.

8.3 Where the ground or sub-floor space is excessively damp or subject to frequent flooding, timber members shall be Class 1 or 2 or H3 preservative treated timber in accordance with AS1684 parts 2 or 4.

Steel Framing

8.4 Steel framing must comply with NASH Standard 2005, Part 1 Residential and low-rise steel framing. In all cases, studs must be at a maximum of 600mm centres. Noggins must be fitted flush with the stud.

LOXO Cladding Panel Layout

8.5 LOXO Cladding Panels are installed horizontally in a stretcher-bond pattern. Vertical panel edges may be jointed on stud or off stud via back blocking. LOXO Cladding Panels must be supported at fixing locations with vertical cavity battens in accordance with the requirements of BCA. At the base of the wall the LOXO Cladding Panel can be either rested on a concrete rebate (a minimum of 30mm below the finished floor level) or hang 50mm below the finished floor level, but not below the external ground level.

General

8.6 The LOXO Vents provide a minimum ventilation opening area of 1000mm² per lineal metre of wall, when fixed at 1000mm centres. If specified, then the specifier must detail the number of vents required to achieve the desired ventilation flow.

8.7 The ground clearance between the bottom of the finished panel and ground must be adhered to at all times. At ground level, paved surfaces must be kept clear from the bottom edge of the LOXO Cladding Panel Veneer System by a minimum of 10mm, and unpaved surfaces by 25mm with these areas having a minimum of 1 in 100mm fall away from the building.

8.8 At balcony, deck or roof to wall junctions, the bottom edge of the panel must be kept clear of any adjacent finished surface, or above the top surface of any adjacent roof flashing by a minimum of 10mm.

8.9 Where the LOXO Cladding Panel Veneer System abuts other cladding systems, designers must detail the junction to meet their own requirements whilst meeting the performance requirements of the BCA. The Technical Literature does provide some guidance. Details not included in the Technical Literature have not been assessed and are therefore outside the scope of this Appraisal.

8.10 For buildings that must have barriers to airflow, the use of plasterboard interior linings with all joints stopped should be installed, or where walls that are not lined, such as attic spaces at gable end, a rigid sheathing or air barrier, complying with BCA, must be fixed to framing prior to fixing cladding or cavity battens as per BCA or AS 1684.

8.11 PVC sheathed electrical cables must be prevented from direct contact with the LOXO EPS Cavity Battens. When cables must penetrate the EPS cavity battens for electrical connections, the cable must be encased within electrical conduit so that contact is prevented.

Articulated Joints (Control Joints)

8.12 Control joints where LOXO Cladding Panels are used must be constructed in accordance with the Technical Literature and as follows:

8.13 Horizontal control joints - To be installed when intermediate floor joists are not seasoned and/or when the height of the wall exceeds 8.0m.

8.14 Vertical Control Joints – are required at internal corners and at maximum of 6.0m centres; aligned with any control joint within the structural framing, or where the system abuts other cladding system.

(Note: Where possible control joints shall be located in line with window and door openings. Horizontal and vertical control joints must be located over structural supports. The Technical Literature provides some guidance for the design of vertical control joints where the system abuts different cladding types. Details not included within the Technical literature or those that are marked as ‘Specific Design Only’ are outside the scope of this Appraisal Certificate and are the responsibility of the designer.)

Inter-Storey Junction

8.15 Inter-storey drained joints are not required with the LOXO Cladding System.

Structure - Clause P2.1

Mass

9.1 The dry mass of the LOXO Cladding Panel is approximately 28kg/m² without coating and 30kg/m² with the applied coating.

Impact Resistance

9.2 The system has adequate resistance to impact loads that the cladding system is likely to be subjected to when used in a residential situation.

Wind Zone

9.3 The LOXO Cladding Panel Veneer System is suitable for use in all building wind zones as per AS 4055, up to, and including N3, or up to the ultimate limit state (ULS) wind pressure of 2500Pa when the building is subject to specific design.

9.3.1 Where a 20mm to 40mm cavity is produced the respective cavity battens are fixed to the wall framing at 600mm centres vertically. The LOXO Cladding Panel must then be fixed into or through the cavity batten with the appropriate screw at 500mm centres.

500mm centres is applicable to both;

9.3.2 N1 to N3 defined building wind zones with studs at maximum 600mm centres, and;

9.3.3 Specifically designed buildings up to design differential 2.5kPa ULS wind pressure with studs at maximum 600mm centres.

Generally:

9.4 Fixings to be positioned minimum 50mm in from the edge of the panel giving an overall layout of 500mm.
Durability (suitability) Clause 1.2.1

10.1 The LOXO Cladding Panel Veneer System when used in accordance with this Appraisal Certificate and subjected to normal conditions of environment and use will meet the requirements of S1.2.1 of the BCA.

Maintenance:

10.2 Regular maintenance is essential to ensure the performance requirements of the BCA / NZBC are met and to ensure the maximum serviceability of the LOXO Cladding Panel Veneer System.

10.3 Regular cleaning (at least annually) of the paint coating is required to remove grime, dirt and organic growth as per the coating manufacturer’s Technical Literature in order to maximize the life and appearance of the acrylic paint coating. Paint coatings must be reapplied every 10 years in accordance with the paint manufacturers instructions. 

10.4 Regular inspections (annually) must be made on the system to ensure that all aspects of the LOXO Cladding Panel Veneer System including the coating system, renders, flashings and any sealed joints remain in a weatherproof condition. Any cracks, damaged areas or areas showing signs of deterioration that could allow water ingress, must be repaired immediately. The LOXO Cladding Panel Veneer System must be maintained and repaired in accordance with the instructions from LOXO. 

10.5 Minimum ground clearance and adjacent clearances as set out in this Appraisal and Technical Literature must be maintained at all times during the life of the system to maintain the durability and weatherproofing of the system.

External Fire spread - Clause P2.3.1

11.1 The LOXO Cladding Panel Veneer System meets the performance requirements of the BCA for use as a Load Bearing External Wall. The LOXO Cladding Panel Veneer System provides an FRL of 90/90/90. Tested in accordance with AS 1530.4.

External Moisture - Clause P2.2.2

12.1 When installed in accordance with this Appraisal Certificate and Technical Literature, the LOXO Cladding Panel Veneer System will prevent the penetration of water that could cause undue dampness and/or damage to building elements and will therefore comply with Performance requirement P2.2.2 of the BCA.

12.2 The cavity must be sealed off from the roof and subfloor space.

12.3 The LOXO Cladding Panel Veneer System allows excess moisture present within the cavity at the completion of construction to be dissipated without causing permanent damage to the building elements to meet the performance requirement of the BCA.

12.4 The details provided within the Technical Literature for weatherproofing are based on the design principle of employing both a 1st and 2nd line of defence against moisture entry for joints, penetrations and junctions. Moisture ingress must be prevented by detailing any joinery or wall junctions as shown in the LOXO Cladding Panel Veneer System technical manual. Any weatherproofing details developed by a designer that are outside the scope of this Appraisal Certificate that are the responsibility of the designer .

12.5 The presence of a drained cavity does not reduce the requirement to ensure the cladding wall and all the relevant junctions, penetrations etc remain weather resistant.

Water Vapour

12.6 The LOXO Cladding Panel Veneer System is not a barrier to the passage of water vapour, and when correctly installed in accordance with both this Appraisal and Technical Literature will not create or increase the risk of moisture damage resulting from condensation. When installed over steel frame please refer to 12.7

12.7 When the LOXO Cladding Panel Veneer System is installed over steel framing, 10mm (V.H) expanded polystyrene thermal break sheeting with a R value of at least 0.3, must be installed over the steel frame (stud, nog, top and bottom plate) to provide a thermal break in accordance with the requirements of the BCA. Building wrap is then dressed over the top of the sheeting followed by the installation of the cavity battens.

Thermal Performance - Clause P2.6.1

13.1 The LOXO Cladding Panel has a thermal rating from the manufacturer for the 50mm thick AAC panel of R0.39.

13.2 A table has been developed from the use of 70mm and 90mm wide timber framing studs at 600mm centres, with noggins at 1350mm centres, using Enviroseal Wall Wrap reflective foil wall wrap (sarking) with a R1.2 (summer) and R1.3 (winter), and insulation with a nominal R-Value of 2.0; Refer to Thermal Performance Values shown on page 8.

Acoustic Performance

14.1 The LOXO Cladding Panel has an acoustic STC rating of 33 from the manufacturer for the 50mm thick AAC panel. A table has been developed from the use of 90mm wide timber framing studs at 600mm centres, with noggins at 1350mm centres, insulation with a nominal R-Value of 2.0 and a nominal 10mm plasterboard; Refer to Acoustic Performance Values shown on page 9.

Installation Information

Installation Skill Level Requirement

15.1 Installation and finishing of the components and accessories supplied by LOXO and the
accredited contractors must be completed by trained installers/applicators, certified by LOXO.
15.2 Installation of the accessories supplied by the building contractor must be completed by a tradesperson who has an understanding of cavity based cladding construction, in accordance with instructions given within the LOXO Cladding Panel Veneer System Technical Manual and this Appraisal Certificate.

System Installation
16.1 The building wrap (if required) must be installed by the building contractor in accordance with the wrap manufacturer’s instruction, prior to the installation of the cavity battens and the rest of the LOXO Cladding Panel Veneer System. The building wrap shall be run horizontally and be continuous around corners. The wrap must be lapped not less than 75mm at horizontal joints and not less than 150mm over studs at vertical joints.
16.2 Window and Door joinery must be installed by the building contractor in accordance with the LOXO Technical Literature.
16.3 The Window and Door joinery must be spaced outside of the wall frame to suit the thickness of the cavity batten system.

LOXO Cladding Panel Veneer System
16.4 Must be installed in accordance with the Technical Literature by LOXO accredited contractors.
16.5 The Technical Literature must be referred to during the inspection of the LOXO Cladding Panel Veneer System installations.

Finishing System
16.6 The application of the LOXO approved coating system must be applied in accordance with the manufacturers instructions at all times.

Health and Safety
17.1 When cutting, drilling or grinding the LOXO Cladding Panel, this must be carried out in an open air or well ventilated area, and a dust mask, eye protection and gloves must be worn.
17.2 All aspects of cutting, drilling or grinding must comply with the latest regulations of Worksafe Australia (Occupational Health and Safety).
17.3 Refer to the Technical Literature from the relevant manufacturer for the safe use and handling of the components that make up the LOXO Cladding Panel Veneer System.

Basis of Appraisal
BEAL use the compliance verification procedure to demonstrate compliance with the relevant clauses of the BCA based on a risk analysis procedure. The following is a summary of the technical investigations carried out

Tests
18.1 The following testing of the LOXO Cladding Panel Veneer System and its respective components has been undertaken by BEAL unless otherwise noted:
18.1.1 BEAL opinion on BCA compliance was based on the evaluation of all details within the scope of this Appraisal and testing of LOXO Cladding Panel Veneer System to a weathertightness test method known as E2/VM1. The testing assessed the performance of the window head, jamb and sill details, meterbox head, jamb and sill details, vertical control joints, internal and external corners.
18.1.2 BEAL have also reviewed the details contained within the technical manual, and an opinion has been given by BEAL that the system will meet the performance requirements for a drained and non-ventilated cavity system.
18.1.3 Testing undertaken by OPUS laboratories in determining the compressive strength, dry bulk density and drying shrinkage of the LOXO Cladding Panel to verify durability of the system.
18.1.4 Corrosion protection of the steel wire reinforcement in the LOXO Cladding Panel was tested to verify durability and conducted by AZUMA design in Australia to AS2331.3.11 and ASTM B117.

Other Investigations
19.1 Wind loadings, self weight, seismic loadings, shear force, panel capacity, fastener pull through testing and calculations for the LOXO Cladding Panel Veneer System were determined by an independent Chartered Engineer in respect to the requirements of Structure. Structural and durability opinions were provided.
19.2 Assessment of Fire resistance of the 50mm thick LOXO Cladding Panel was based on a comparison of test data from other manufacturers testing for spread of fire and fire resistance based on AS1530.4.
19.3 Thermal Performance testing and calculations for the LOXO Cladding Panel Veneer System were determined by an independent Chartered Professional Engineer in respect to the requirements of Performance Requirement P2.6.1
19.4 Assessment of Acoustic Performance for the LOXO Cladding Panel Veneer System was based on a comparison of test data from other manufacturers testing for Acoustic performance.
19.5 Ease of application has been assessed
19.6 The Technical Literature for the LOXO Cladding Panel Veneer System has been examined by BEAL and found to be satisfactory.

Quality
20.1 The quality of materials, components and accessories supplied by LOXO is managed through the use of the Building Product Quality Plan.
20.2 The LOXO Building Product Quality Plan ensures continuous conformance with the quality requirements from purchase to supply of components.
20.3 LOXO Building Product Quality Plan is reviewed at least annually by BEAL.
20.4 Quality on site is the responsibility of the LOXO accredited contractors.
20.5 Designers are responsible for the building design, and building contractors are responsible for the quality of installation of framing systems, and general construction detailing in accordance with the instructions of LOXO and this Appraisal Certificate.
20.6 For a copy of this Technical Literature and any subsequent updates please refer to: www.loxo.com.au
20.7 Building owners are responsible for the maintenance of the LOXO Panel Veneer Cladding System in accordance with instructions of LOXO and this Appraisal Certificate.

Sources of Information
- AS 2331.3.1 Methods of test for metallic and related coatings - Corrosion and related property test
- AS 3566 Self drilling screws for the building and construction industries.
- AS 3730 Guide to the properties of paints for buildings
- AS/NZS 1170:2002 Structural design actions
- ASTM B117 Standard practice for operating salt spray apparatus
- ASTM C 1386: Standard specification for precast autoclaved aerated concrete (AAC)
- NASH 3405:2006 Steel framed buildings
- NZS 3603:1983 Timber structures standard
- NZS 3604:1999 Timber framed Buildings
- NZS 4211:1985 Specification for performance of windows
- The Building Code of Australia 2011 Class 1 and Class 10 Buildings,
- NZS 4211:1985 Specification for performance of windows
- AS4859.1:2002 and Amendment 1:2006

Concluding statement
21.1 In the opinion of BEAL, the LOXO Panel Veneer Cladding System is fit for purpose and will comply with the BCA to the extent specified provided that it is used, designed, installed and maintained as set out in this Appraisal Certificate.

The Appraisal Certificate is issued only to LOXO Cladding Systems (Pty) Ltd and is valid until further notification, subject to the conditions of this Appraisal.

Conditions of Appraisal
1. This Appraisal Certificate:
   A) Relates only to the LOXO Panel Veneer Cladding System as described herein;
   B) Must be read, considered and used in full together with the Technical Literature
   C) Does not address any legislation, regulations, codes or standards, not specifically named herein;
   D) Is copyright of BEAL

2. The Appraisal Certificate holder continues to meet the quality requirements of the LOXO Building Product Quality Plan and has the Appraisal Certificate revalidated by BEAL on an annual basis.

3. LOXO Cladding Systems (Pty) Ltd shall notify BEAL and obtain approval of any changes in product specification or quality assurance prior to product being marketed including any trade literature, web site info or the like.

4. BEAL makes no representation as to:
   A) The nature of individual examples of, batches of, or individual installations of the product, including methods and workmanship;
   B) The presence or absence of any patent or similar rights subsisting in the product or any other product;
   C) Any guarantee or warranty offered by the Appraisal Certificate holder

5. BEAL’s verification of the building product or system complying with one or more above-mentioned criteria is given on the basis that the criteria used were those that were appropriate to demonstrate compliance with the BCA at the date of this Appraisal Certificate. In the event that the criteria is withdrawn or amended at a later date, this Appraisal may no longer remain valid.

6. Any reference in this Appraisal Certificate to any other publication shall be read as a reference to the version of publication specified in this Appraisal Certificate.

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## Thermal Performance Values

**THERMAL TABLES FOR 50mm LOXO WALL SYSTEMS**  
Confirmed by Fricker Report

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