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3 Belsize Place

Internal partition sound insulation

We have reviewed the proposed internal layout of partitions at 3 Belsize place. This memo provides recommended sound insulation performance for the internal partitions, where considered necessary. Details of standard partition types that would achieve the recommended sound insulation performance are also included.

The mark ups attached in Appendix A indicate the recommended sound insulation performance. This is given in terms a laboratory sound insulation performance ($R_{\rm w}$). There are no regulatory requirements for the sound insulation of the internal partitions. Therefore, our recommendations are based on achieving a good quality residential standard.

Table 1 provides details of standard partitions that can be used to achieve the recommended sound insulation performance. These partition build ups are examples and there are other constructions that may be used to achieve the recommended performance.

Table 1 Example partition constructions

Laboratory sound insulation (R _w)	Partition build up	Detail
45 dB 45 dB	2 x 12.5 mm SoundBloc (or similar); 48 mm metal 'C' stud at 600 mm centres; 2 x 12.5 mm SoundBloc (or similar); 2 x 15 mm standard plasterboard; 48 mm metal 'C' stud at 600 mm centres; 2 x 15 mm standard plasterboard;	

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55 dB	2 x 15 mm SoundBloc (or similar); 70 mm metal 'C' stud at 600 mm centres with 50 mm of mineral fibre insulation (≥ 22 kg/m³); 2 x 15 mm SoundBloc (or similar);	
63 dB	2 x 15 mm SoundBloc (or similar); Double stud construction with 140 mm cavity including 50 mm of mineral fibre insulation (≥ 22 kg/m³); 2 x 15 mm SoundBloc (or similar);	

