Firestop solution for linear joints in walls & floors

Intumescent Expansion Joint Seal provides an easy retro-fit solution to firestop existing construction joints up to 75mm thick in floors and walls.
Intumescent Expansion Joint Seal

**Description**

Intumescent Expansion Joint Seal is a compressible strip formed by shrink wrapping a graphite based intumescent polymer to both faces of a ROCKWOOL core.

Intumescent Expansion Joint Seal is supplied in one metre lengths to suit the joint to be filled. The width of the product is dependent on the fire rating required (see Table 1 and 2).

The seal is installed by simply compressing by hand and then pushing into the joint. Adjacent pieces of the product are tightly butted together. There is no need to use any adhesives or intumescent sealant in conjunction with the product.

In a fire, the graphite based intumescent material swells to form a hard char, which prevents the passage of fire and smoke through the joint.

Intumescent Expansion Joint is suitable for use in:

- Blockwork cavities
- Curtain wall/Concrete slab interfaces
- Expansion joints
- Structural joints

**General benefits:**

- Simple to install
- Water resistant
- Maintenance free
- Available in small quantities
- Available from 48 hours of order

The following NBS Plus clauses include Intumescent Expansion Joint seals: E40-454, F30-78, F30-616, F30-670
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Intumescent Expansion Joint being a component of structure satisfies both integrity and insulation requirements as shown in the table above.

**Specification**
Install Intumescent Expansion Joint to provide up to 4 hours fire rating to all construction joints up to 75mm thick. Installation to be fully in accordance with manufacturer’s instructions.

**Installation instructions**
Intumescent Expansion Joint is used to prevent fire penetration through movement joints and gaps in walls and concrete floors for a specified period up to 4 hours. They are manufactured oversize to fit under compression.

1) Remove all loose debris and compound from the gap
2) Ensure correct width is installed to suit the required Fire Rating
3) Where the gap varies in the length to be sealed, ensure that the correct thickness is installed under compression
4) Do NOT remove sleeving
5) Keep material dry and protect from impact damage
6) Compress and insert the strip into the gap ensuring tight butt joints

Building Regulations 2013 – Approved Document B – B2/3/4 – Internal fire spread (structure), paragraphs 0.10 – 0.11, state that the spread of fire inside a building can be restricted, by provisions for elements of structure to have a specified minimum period of fire resistance. Fire resistance is defined in terms of both integrity and insulation requirements when applied to fire separating elements.

**Table 1 - Fire resistance (FR) performance**

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<th>Joint Size</th>
<th>Width of Seal</th>
<th>Fire Rating (Integrity/Insulation)</th>
<th>Single / Double Seal</th>
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<td>Up to 10mm</td>
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Please note that seals for joints up to 50mm wide must be fitted under a minimum of 5mm compression and joints 51-75mm must be fitted under a minimum of 10mm compression.

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