



## Top up Cavity Walls

Wall Insulation

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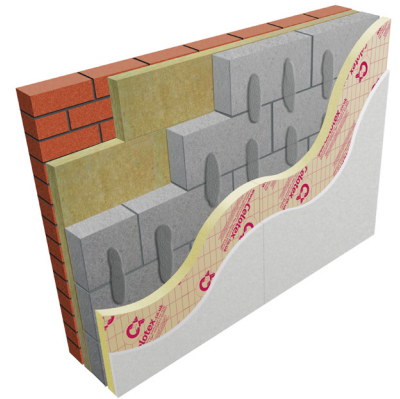
### Introduction

Celotex is the brand leading manufacturer of PIR insulation boards, with its range encompassing the thinnest and thickest boards available to the construction industry today. All of the Company's products are manufactured at its plant in Suffolk, from where the dedicated Celotex Technical Centre offers advice and calculations for compliance with current regulations and legislation.

Celotex: We know insulation inside and out.

Use **Celotex GD5000 or GS5000** thermal laminate as a top-up to existing cavity walls to deliver the following benefits:

- Upgrading existing walls to current Building Regulation compliance levels
- Suitable for multiple installation techniques
- Provides a vapour control layer when board joints are taped and jointed
- Provides reliable long term energy savings for buildings
- Tapered edge plasterboard offers the installer maximum installation flexibility and speed



Celotex GD5000

### Celotex GD5000 Technical Data

Product Code	Thickness (mm)	R-value (m <sup>2</sup> K/W)	Weight (kg/m <sup>2</sup> )
GD5025	25 + 9.5	1.20	7.02
GD5040	40 + 9.5	1.95	7.50
GD5050	50 + 9.5	2.40	7.82
GD5060	60 + 9.5	2.90	8.17

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### Sustainable Insulation

Celotex PIR insulation has been independently assessed by BRE Global and has been accredited with an A+ rating when compared to the BRE Green Guide.

The results also show that Celotex offers a lower environmental impact than other typical PIR manufacturers.

For further information about Celotex' sustainable insulation solutions, visit the sustainability pages of the website at [celotex.co.uk](http://celotex.co.uk)





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### GD5000 Example U-value Calculation: Top up Cavity Walls

Construction		50mm clear cavity	50mm cavity filled with mineral wool insulated to 0.60 (W/m <sup>2</sup> K)	Existing cavity wall insulated to 0.45 (W/m <sup>2</sup> K) (1995 regulations)	Existing cavity wall insulated to 0.35 (W/m <sup>2</sup> K) (2002 regulations)
Outside surface resistance		-	-	-	-
Brickwork		-	-	-	-
Cavity		-	-	-	-
Blockwork dense		100	100	100	100
Plaster dabs cavity		15	15	15	15
Variable layer		See below	See below	See below	See below
Board joints sealed to form VCL		-	-	-	-
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Blockwork dense		100	100	100	100
Celotex IQ between battens @ 600 ctrs		25	25	25	25
Variable layer		See below	See below	See below	See below
Board joints sealed to form VCL		-	-	-	-
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### Installation Guidelines for Celotex GD5000 and GS5000

#### Installation guidelines for internal lining systems using dot and dab

- Ensure that existing walls are permeable. Strip any gloss paint or vinyl wallpaper.
- Use the Celotex Insulation Saw to cut the 1200mm x 2400mm Celotex GD5000 boards to fit the floor-to-ceiling height of the room.
- Ensure a continuous seal at skirting, ceiling level and at openings by applying a continuous band of gypsum adhesive. Gypsum adhesive at perimeter edges can be replaced with thin timber battens.
- Apply further dabs of gypsum adhesive. This should be in accordance with the adhesive manufacturer's instructions.
- Align sheets against the dabs and secure into correct position.
- Once the dabs are set, it is recommended that additional secondary fixings be applied to the Celotex GD5000. Exact fixing details should be in accordance with the recommendations of the fixing manufacturer.
- Joints between the boards must be tightly butted, taped and jointed using appropriate tape and jointing material to create the vapour control layer (VCL).
- Line window and door reveals with thinner Celotex GD5000 boards to reduce the risk of thermal bridging. Fix a batten around the edge of the opening and scribe the board to fit the reveal. Cut the dry lining to suit and mechanically fix into the masonry reveal using proprietary fixings. Finish using an angle fillet at the frame and an angle bead or scrim tape at external corners.
- Please note that to avoid the load being directly applied to the Celotex GD5000, suitable mechanical fixings should be used for other internal fittings. Advice on suitable fixings should be sought directly from the fixing manufacturer.
- Please note that where existing walls are subject to the ingress of excessive moisture, it is recommended that Celotex GD5000 should be installed using mechanical fixings rather than a direct bonding technique.

#### Installation guidelines for internal lining systems using mechanical fixings

- Ensure that existing walls are permeable. Strip any gloss paint or vinyl wallpaper.
- Use the Celotex Insulation Saw to cut the 1200mm x 2400mm Celotex GD5000/GS5000 boards to fit the floor-to-ceiling height of the room.
- Secure Celotex GD5000/GS5000 with suitable mechanical fixings. Fixing details should be in accordance with the fixing manufacturer's instructions.
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### Installation guidelines for internal lining systems using mechanical fixings to timber battens

- Celotex GS5000 is recommended for internal lining using mechanical fixings to timber battens to maximise thermal performance in cavity air spaces
- Ensure that existing walls are permeable. Strip any gloss paint or vinyl wallpaper.
- Fix treated softwood timber battens to the masonry. They should be set out a maximum of 600mm vertical centres to coincide with the edges of the boards. As a minimum requirement, horizontal battens should be used to support the top and bottom of the board edges.
- Secure Celotex GS5000 with suitable mechanical fixings. Fixing details should be in accordance with the fixing manufacturer's instructions.
- Joints between the boards should be tightly butted and finished by taping and jointing using appropriate tape and jointing material to create the VCL.

### Installation guidelines for internal lining systems using mechanical fixings to metal lining systems

- Celotex GS5000 is recommended for internal lining using mechanical fixings to metal lining systems to maximise thermal performance in cavity air spaces
- Celotex GS5000 boards can be fixed to a number of proprietary metal frame lining systems. The system should be fixed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

## Further Information

If you wish to contact Celotex, please visit [celotex.co.uk](http://celotex.co.uk) and click on the 'contact us' page.

For information regarding [storage, installation and handling](#) of Celotex products, or for [Health and Safety](#) advice, please refer to the 'literature' pages of the website at [celotex.co.uk](http://celotex.co.uk)

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