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## Part 3.1.3 Drainage

### Acceptable Construction Practice

#### 3.1.3.1 Application

Compliance with this acceptable construction practice satisfies *Performance Requirement P2.2.1* for drainage of—

- (a) roofs in areas subject to 5 minute duration rainfall intensities of not more than 255 mm per hour over an *average recurrence interval* of 20 years (as per [Tables 3.5.23.1a to 3.5.3.1h](#)) where a drainage system is *required*; and
  - (b) sub-soil areas where excessive soil moisture problems may occur; and
  - (c) land adjoining and under buildings,
- provided the stormwater drainage system otherwise complies with the acceptable construction manual.

#### 3.1.3.3 Surface water drainage

*Surface water* must be diverted away from Class 1 buildings as follows:

- (a) Slab-on-ground — finished ground level adjacent to buildings:
  - the external finished surface surrounding the slab must be drained to move *surface water* away from the building and graded to give a slope of not less than (see [Figure 3.1.23.2](#))—
  - (i) 25 mm over the first 1 m from the building in *low rainfall intensity areas* for surfaces that are reasonably impermeable (such as concrete or clay paving); or
  - (ii) 50 mm over the first 1 m from the building in any other case.
- (b) ...

## Footings and Slabs

**Table 3.2.5.5c Reinforcement for stiffened raft footings for Class H sites**

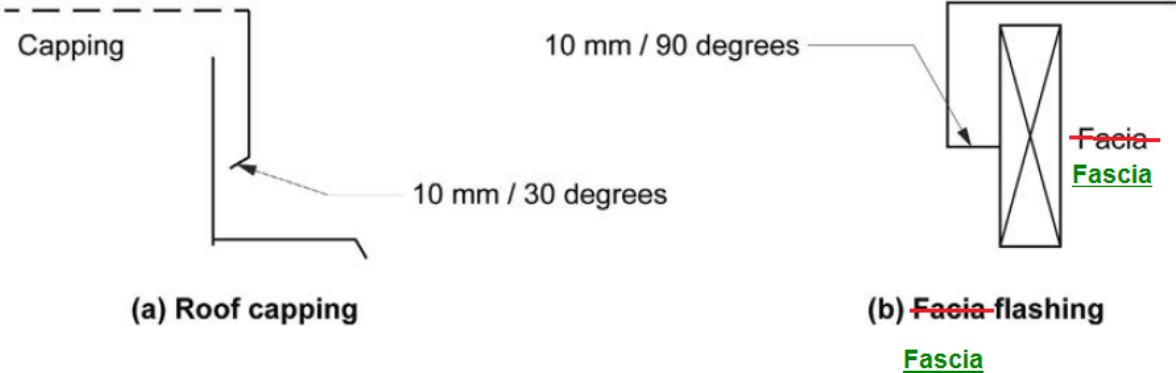
Type of construction	Depth (D) (mm)	Bottom reinf.	Max. spacing c/l to c/l (m)	Slab mesh where slab length <18 m	Slab mesh where slab length <25 m	Slab mesh where slab length <30 m
<i>Clad frame</i>	400	3-L11TM	5.0 <sup>Note 2</sup>	SL72	SL82	SL92
<del>Articulated full masonry</del> <i>Articulated masonry veneer</i>	500	3-L12TM	4.0	SL82	SL82	SL92
Masonry veneer	700	3-N16	4.0	SL92	SL92	SL92
Articulated full masonry	1000	4-N16	4.0	SL102	SL102	SL102
Full masonry	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

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3.5.1.5 Flashings and cappings

(a) ...

Figure 3.5.1.5 Anti-capillary breaks



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### 3.5.3.1 Application

- (a) Compliance with this acceptable construction practice satisfies [Performance Requirement P2.2.1](#) for gutters and downpipes provided the roof drainage system is connected to a stormwater drainage system that complies with [Part 3.1.23](#).
- (b) ...

**Table 3.5.3.3a Overflow volume for continuous measure (L/s/m)**

Design 5 minute duration rainfall intensity (mm/h) (from <a href="#">Table 3.5.2.1a</a> to <a href="#">Table 3.5.2.1h</a> )	Ridge to gutter length — 2 m	Ridge to gutter length — 4 m	Ridge to gutter length — 6 m	Ridge to gutter length — 8 m	Ridge to gutter length — 10 m	Ridge to gutter length — 12 m	Ridge to gutter length — 14 m	Ridge to gutter length — 16 m
150 mm/h	0.08 L/s/m	0.17 L/s/m	0.25 L/s/m	0.33 L/s/m	0.42 L/s/m	0.50 L/s/m	0.58 L/s/m	0.67 L/s/m
175 mm/h	0.10 L/s/m	0.19 L/s/m	0.29 L/s/m	0.39 L/s/m	0.49 L/s/m	0.58 L/s/m	0.68 L/s/m	<del>0.67</del> 0.78 L/s/m
200 mm/h	0.11 L/s/m	0.22 L/s/m	0.33 L/s/m	0.44 L/s/m	0.56 L/s/m	0.67 L/s/m	0.78 L/s/m	0.89 L/s/m
225 mm/h	0.13 L/s/m	0.25 L/s/m	0.38 L/s/m	0.50 L/s/m	0.63 L/s/m	0.75 L/s/m	0.88 L/s/m	1.0 L/s/m
250 mm/h	0.14 L/s/m	0.28 L/s/m	0.42 L/s/m	0.56 L/s/m	0.69 L/s/m	0.83 L/s/m	0.97 L/s/m	1.1 L/s/m
275 mm/h	0.15 L/s/m	0.31 L/s/m	0.46 L/s/m	0.61 L/s/m	0.76 L/s/m	0.92 L/s/m	1.1 L/s/m	1.2 L/s/m
300 mm/h	0.17 L/s/m	0.33 L/s/m	0.50 L/s/m	0.67 L/s/m	0.83 L/s/m	1.0 L/s/m	1.2 L/s/m	1.3 L/s/m
325 mm/h	0.18 L/s/m	0.36 L/s/m	0.54 L/s/m	0.72 L/s/m	0.90 L/s/m	1.1 L/s/m	1.3 L/s/m	1.4 L/s/m
350 mm/h	0.19 L/s/m	0.39 L/s/m	0.58 L/s/m	0.78 L/s/m	0.97 L/s/m	1.2 L/s/m	1.4 L/s/m	1.6 L/s/m
375 mm/h	0.21 L/s/m	0.42 L/s/m	0.63 L/s/m	0.83 L/s/m	1.0 L/s/m	1.3 L/s/m	1.5 L/s/m	1.7 L/s/m
400 mm/h	0.22 L/s/m	0.44 L/s/m	0.67 L/s/m	0.89 L/s/m	1.1 L/s/m	1.3 L/s/m	1.6 L/s/m	1.8 L/s/m

**Explanatory information:**

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**For front face weir, end stop weir, inverted nozzle, front bead or controlled gap**

$$Q = 0.67 C_d b \sqrt{2g h^{1.5}} \quad \sqrt{2g h^{1.5}}$$

Where—

b = Width (m)

C<sub>d</sub> = Discharge coefficient = 0.63

g = Gravity = 9.81 m/s<sup>2</sup>

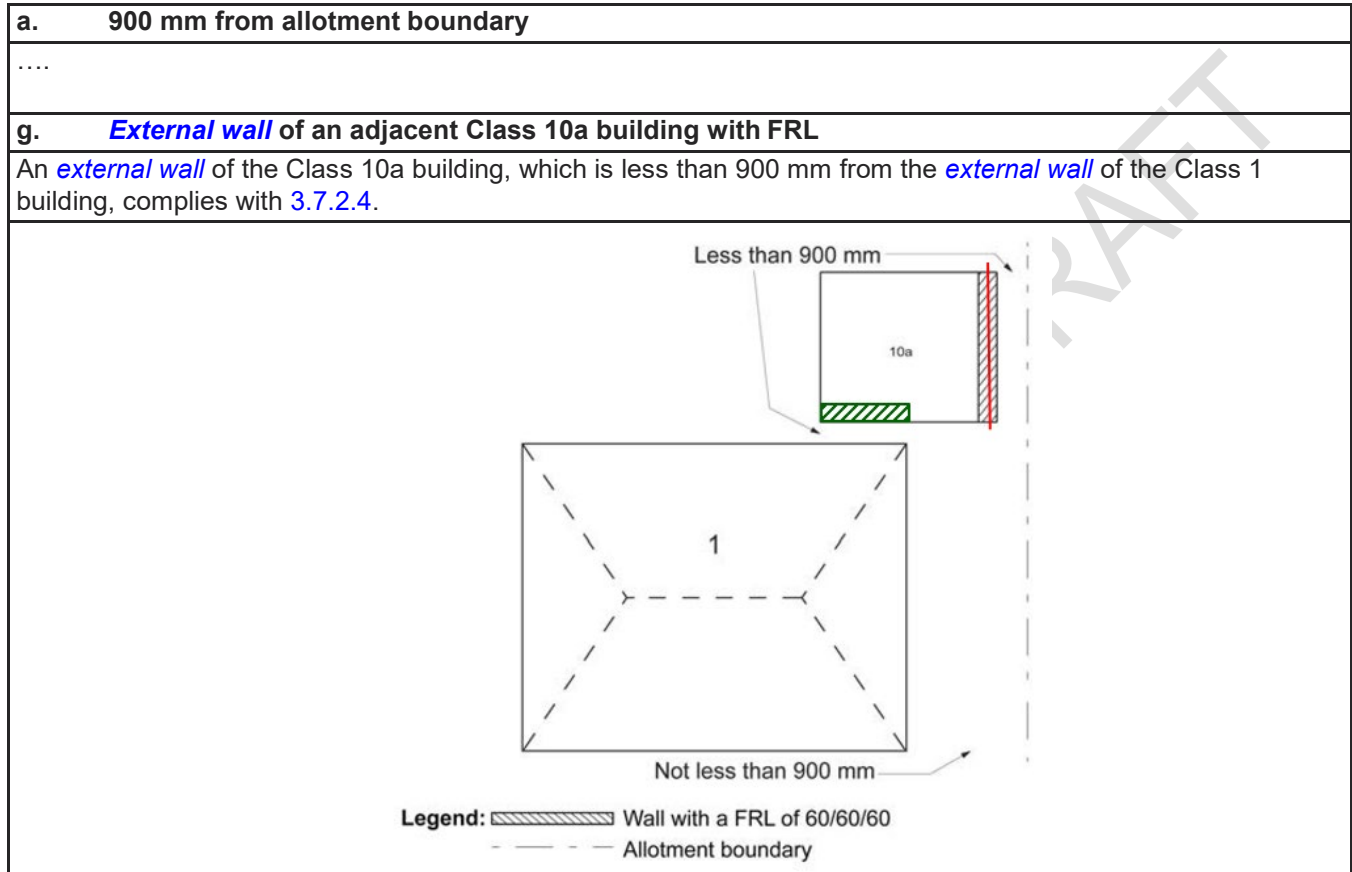
h = Effective head (m)

Q = Flow rate (m<sup>3</sup>/s)

3.7.2.4 Construction of external walls

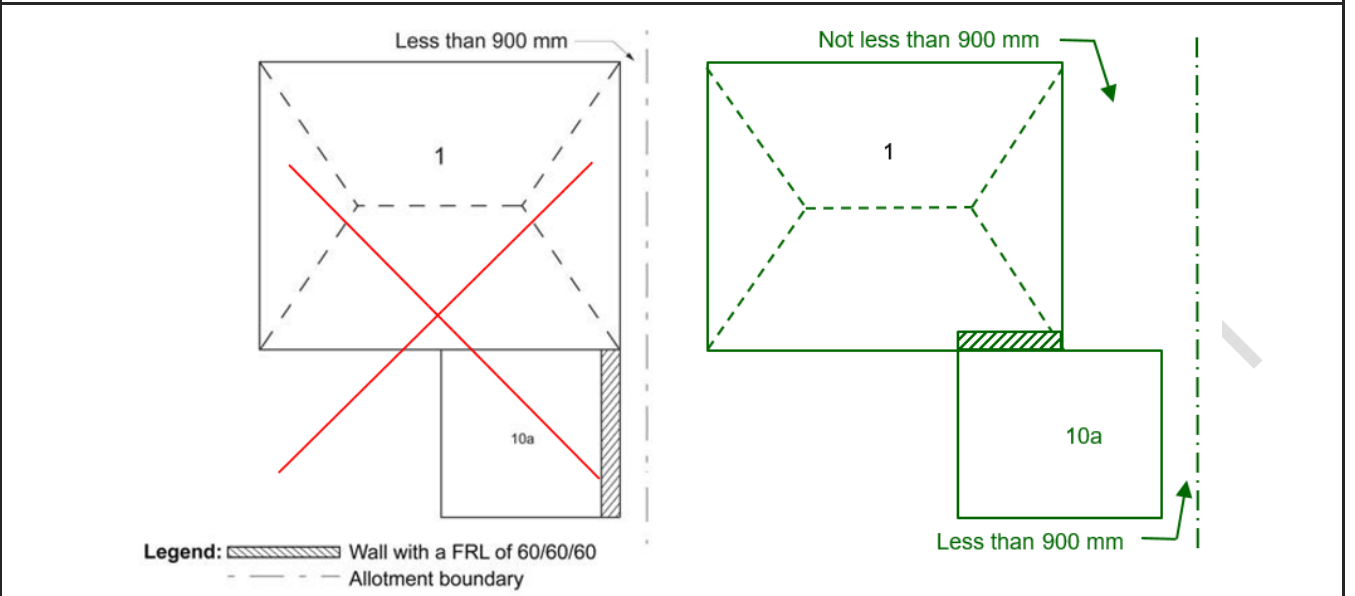
- (a) ...
- (d) The requirements of (c) do not apply to a window in a non-habitable room that is located adjacent to and not less than 600 mm from the boundary of an adjoining allotment or 1200 mm from another building on the same allotment provided that...

Figure 3.7.2.4 Protection of Class 1 buildings—Class 10a between Class 1 and the allotment boundary



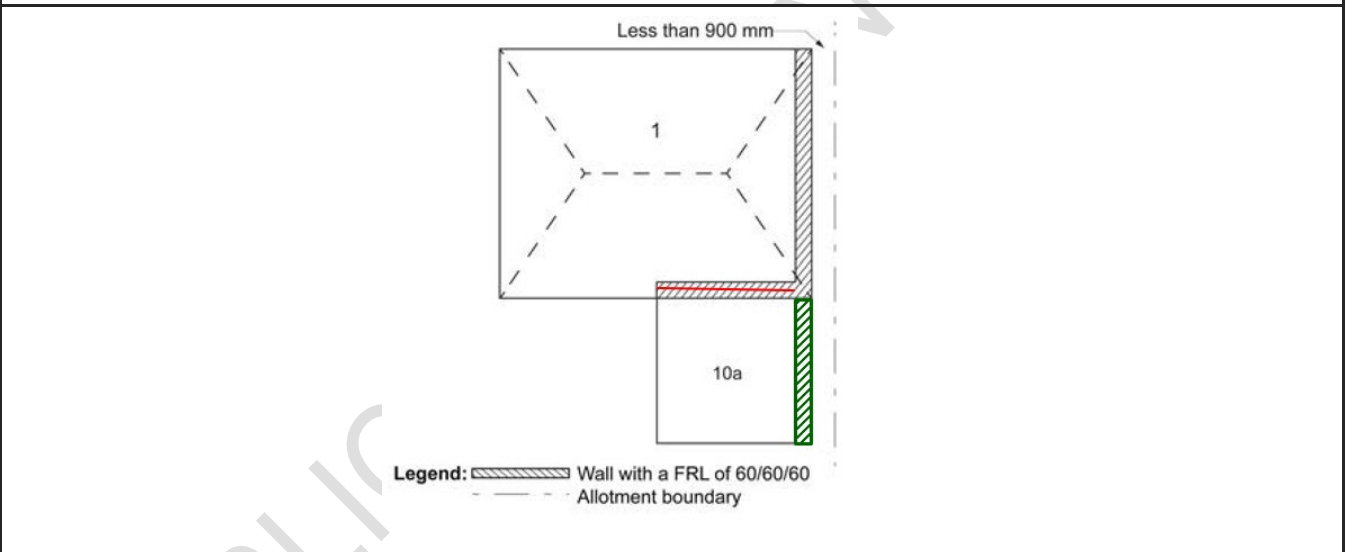
**h. Class 1 building with FRL to external wall**

An *external wall* of the Class 1 building, which is less than 900 mm from a Class 10a building that is situated less than 900 mm from an allotment boundary, complies with 3.7.2.4.



**i. External wall to Class 10a building with FRL**

The *external wall* of the Class 1 and Class 10a building which are less than 900 mm from an allotment boundary, other than the boundary adjoining a road alignment or other public space, complies with 3.7.2.4.





## Part 3.8.7 Condensation management

### State and Territory Variations

**In Tasmania insert the following Note:** Refer to the guidance in the “~~Guide for Control of Condensation and Mould in Tasmanian Homes~~ [Condensation in Buildings Tasmanian Designers’ Guide – Version 2](#)” that should be adhered to where possible.

**In the Australian Capital Territory:**

See the [ACT Appendix](#) for further information on condensation management in the ACT.

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## Ancillary Provisions and Additional Construction Requirements

Figure 3.10.7.3 Typical installation of fireplace flue inserts

