## **Promat**



# PROMATECT®-XW

Providing fire protection to structural steel for up to 60 minutes





# Promat is the global leader in passive fire protection

We offer you a complete portfolio of certified and tested products and systems to design and build a fully reliable fire safety solution for your building project.

With more than 60 years of experience and know-how, we are ready to help you protect people, buildings and assets.



#### **OUR MISSION**

We want to make the world safer, healthier and more sustainable for the generations of today and tomorrow.

Safety is a concept people need in order to grow, prosper and enjoy life, yet we take it for granted every day. This is why we offer the highest standard in fire safety for homes, offices, schools, hospitals, shopping malls and airports.

As the way we live, work and build constantly evolves, Promat wants to help maintain the highest level of fire safety. We offer you new products and innovations, so together, we can make this world a safer place.





PROMATECT®-XW has permanent dimensional stability, so in the event of a fire it reduces the speed at which the steelwork will heat up, allowing it to maintain its load bearing capacity for longer.

PROMATECT®-XW is manufactured at our Etex manufacturing plant in Germany. The plant works to ISO 9001, ISO 14001 and ISO 45001 standards.





### **Product Overview**

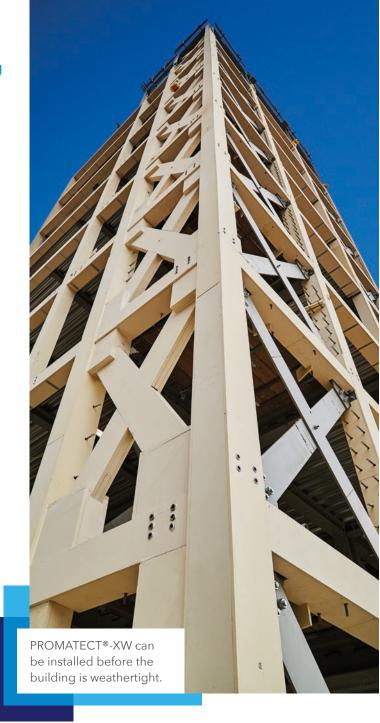
# PROMATECT®-XW is used to provide one, two, three or four sided encasements to:

- Universal columns and beams (I or H sections) and joists
- Beams supporting composite floors with profiled metal decking
- Structural hollow sections
- Partially exposed members
- Perimeter beams
- Lattice beams
- Wind posts
- Bracing

PROMATECT®-XW is a high performance, water repellent, fire protection board with superior weather protection.

#### **Benefits**

- Dimensionally stable
- Quick, easy to cut and install saving time and reducing installed cost
- Frameless system minimises space
- Single board thickness for ease of ordering and stocking
- No requirement for adhesive or joint fillers
- Smooth, impact resistant surface
- Water, weather and mould resistant
- Can be installed and left exposed for up to 6 months on site\*
- Tested to BS 476:Part 21:1987
- Third Party assessed by Certifire CF5942
- High levels of fire protection to structural steelwork.



<sup>\*</sup>To protect from driving rain it is recommended that a bead of PROMASEAL® Silicone Sealant is applied at the cut edges after the boards are butted together and smoothed over the joint and exposed edge rather than applying between the edges and squeezing together.



## **Design Benefits**

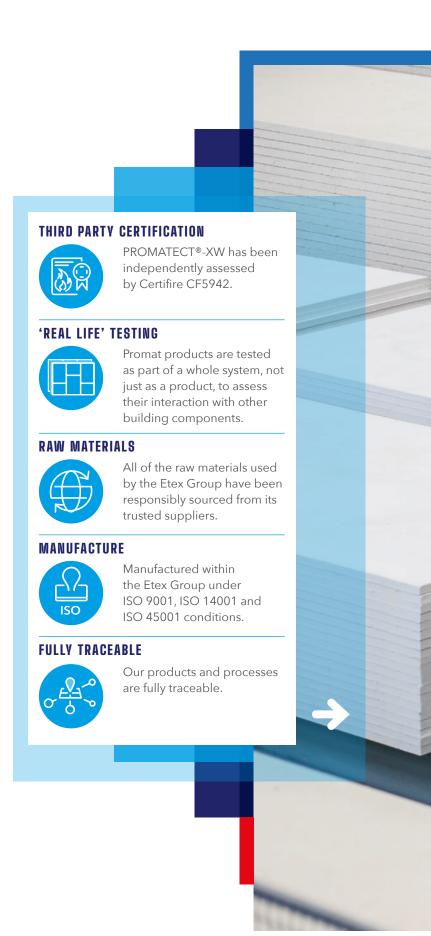
## Fully tested and certified

Since the Grenfell tragedy, the performance of building materials is under an unprecedented spotlight.

Promat is driven by an uncompromising attitude to fire protection. Specifiers can be confident of the performance of PROMATECT®-XW due to it being fully tested and fit for purpose.

#### PROMATECT®-XW is:

- Manufactured by the Etex Group under ISO 9001, ISO 14001 and ISO 45001 conditions and is thus fully traceable
- Independently tested and assessed by Certifire CF5942
- Also tested as part of a whole system to assess its interaction with other building components.





## **Design Benefits**

#### **Performance**

PROMATECT®-XW provides a clean, impact resistant finish and is used where the fire protection system is in full view and where it is hidden.

It offers the specifier a clean, boxed appearance and can be applied on unpainted steelwork. It is often a thinner solution in comparison with other fire-resistant constructions.

It can also accept a decorative finish and therefore be used where aesthetics are important.

# UP TO 6 MONTHS WEATHER EXPOSURE\* PLEASE SEE PROMAT WEBSITE FOR MORE DETAILS.

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#### **FIRE RESISTANT**



Classified A1 non-combustible to EN 13501-1.

#### **MOISTURE RESISTANT**



Can be installed up to 6 months before the building is weather tight.

#### **MOULD RESISTANT**



Resistant to the effects of moisture.

#### COMPREHENSIVELY STRONG



Galvanised steel partition sections can be installed directly up to the face of the board.

#### **FLEXIBLE**



PROMATECT®-XW is often a thinner solution in comparison to other fire-resistant constructions.

#### **DURABLE**



PROMATECT®-XW will not degrade by age and has good impact strength.

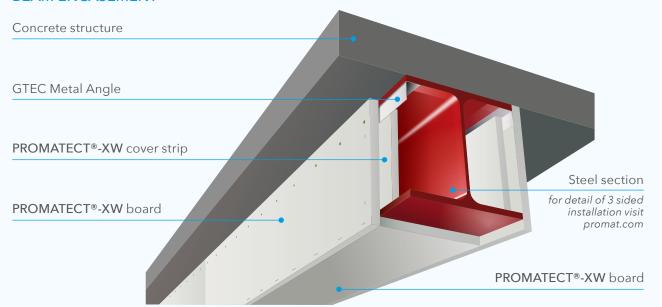
#### **EASY TO DECORATE**

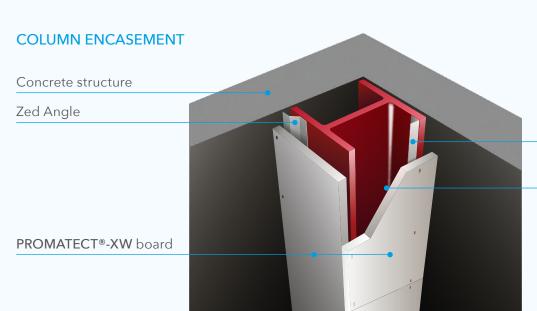


With a smooth, decorative finish.

## A thin solution for structural steel protection

#### **BEAM ENCASEMENT**





GTEC Metal Angle

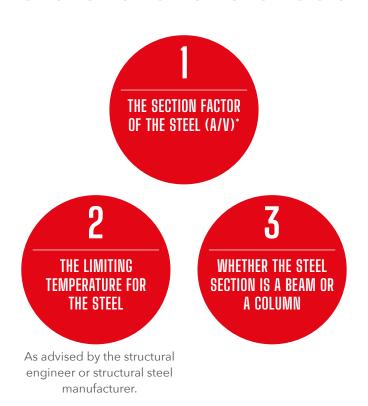
Steel section

for detail of 2 sided installation visit promat.com

# **Specifying PROMATECT®-XW**

PROMATECT®-XW provides up to 60 minutes fire resistance and is supplied in 15mm thickness for ease of specification and stocking.

#### SPECIFICATION IS BASED ON 3 FACTORS









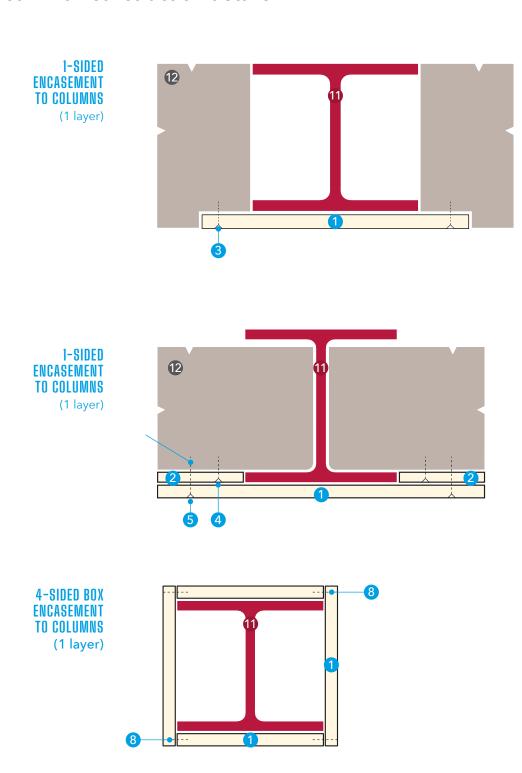
#### A/V RATIO FOR COLUMN AND BEAM ENCASEMENTS

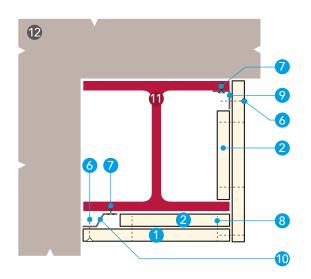
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<sup>\*</sup>The section factor of the steel is based on the size of the steel and the number of sides exposed to the fire. The A/V ratios for steel sizes can be manually calculated or can be found in the Promat Passive Fire Protection Handbook (or the ASFP Yellow Book).

## **Design Guide**

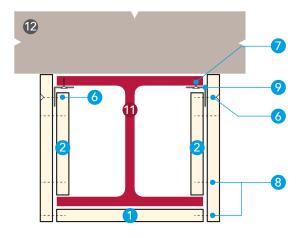
The following diagrams provide guidance on the most common construction details.





#### 2-SIDED ENCASEMENT TO COLUMNS OR BEAMS (1 layer)

NOTE: For columns, joints should be staggered between adjacent faces by 500mm. (Columns do not require internal cover strips behind flange panel joints.)



#### 3-SIDED BOX ENCASEMENT TO BEAM (1 layer)

- 1 PROMATECT®-XW board
- 2 PROMATECT®-XW cover strips (120mm wide)
- 3 Minimum M4 x 50mm steel screws with metal plug or M6 x 50mm concrete screws at 300mm centres
- 4 Minimum M4 x 50mm steel screws with metal plug or M6 x 50mm concrete screws at 600mm centres
- Minimum M4 x 65mm steel screws with metal plug or M6 x 65mm concrete screws at 300mm centres
- 6 M3.5 x 32mm GTEC self tapping screws
- 7 M4 GTEC Wafer Head self drilling screw or shot-fire nails
- 8 Staples
- 9 GTEC Metal Angle 90°
- 10 Zed angle
- 11 Steel section
- 12 Concrete structure

## **Step by Step Guide**

# Fire protection for column encasements (showing 4-sided encasement)





#### **MEASURE FOR FLANGE PANEL**

Measure the flange of the structural steel column plus 3-4mm.



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#### MARK UP FLANGE PANEL

Mark up PROMATECT®-XW board to fit flange plus 3-4mm.



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#### **CUT FLANGE PANEL**

Cut boards using a hand saw with hardened teeth or a power circular saw in conjunction with tungsten carbide tipped blades, or a jigsaw. All cutting should be carried out in well ventilated spaces, using dust extractors. Operators should wear protective face masks.

Please see product safety data sheet for further guidance.



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#### **COLUMN TO BEAM JUNCTION**

Mark up, cut and fit boards around junctions by butt jointing the square edges of PROMATECT®-XW.



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#### **MEASURE FOR WEB PANEL**

Measure the web of the structural steel column plus the thickness of the two PROMATECT®-XW flange panels (+30mm).

Note: Stagger joints on adjacent faces by at least 500mm.





#### MARK UP WEB PANEL

Mark up and cut PROMATECT®-XW board to the dimensions in step 5.

(measure twice, cut once!)





#### FIXING WEB PANEL TO FLANGE PANEL

Clamp board around steel to ensure tight fit. Fix web panels to flange panels using staples.

#### Staple details

Material:	Galvanised steel
Length:	35mm
Width:	1.45mm
Crown:	10.5mm
Thickness:	1.3mm
Fixing centres (max):	100mm





# Fire protection for column encasements (showing 4-sided encasement) (continued)

Fix board at a minimum of 25mm and a maximum 50mm from cut edge.

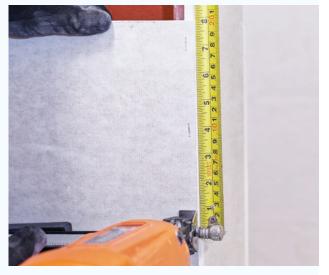
Fix remainder of boards using staples fixed at least 12mm from the edge and at maximum 100mm centres.

Soldiers are optional for a 4 sided column encasement. Adding soldiers will improve the stability of the casing. If required, a filler may be used to finish joints before decoration.

#### Adhesives are not required.

Note: Stagger joints on adjacent faces by at least 500mm.







## **Step by Step Guide**

# Fire protection for beam encasements (showing 3-sided encasement)





#### FIXING STEEL ANGLE

Fix 50mm x 25mm x 0.7mm GTEC Metal Angle 90° to the underside of the top flange of the structural steel beam, using 3.7mm x 16mm shot-fire nails or GTEC Wafer Head Self Drilling screws at 300mm centres.







#### **MEASURE FOR WEB PANEL**

Measure depth between the soffit and the bottom edge of the flange and add the thickness of the PROMATECT ®-XW flange panel (+15mm).

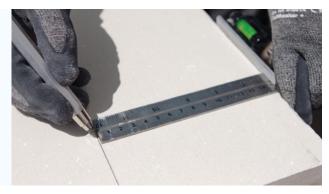


# Fire protection for beam encasements (showing 3-sided encasement) (continued)

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#### **MEASURE WEB PANEL**

Measure, mark up and cut PROMATECT®-XW boards to the dimensions in step 2, plus an additional 3-4mm.



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#### **FIXING WEB PANEL**

Fix web panels to steel angle using GTEC High Thread screws spaced at 300mm centres. Screws should be approximately half way down the angle.

First fixing 50mm from board edge, second fixing, 300mm from board edge and then at 300mm centres.

Repeat process on other side of steel beam, fixing into angle as detailed above.





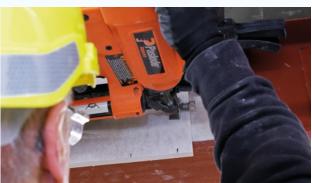




#### PLACING COVER STRIP

Install 120mm wide cover strips behind the web panel joints. These should extend up behind the angle and are fixed with staples at maximum 100mm centres.







#### 6 FLANGE PANEL

Measure, mark up and cut flange panel to fit between web panels.



# Fire protection for beam encasements (showing 3-sided encasement) (continued)



#### **FIXING FLANGE PANEL**

Staple flange panels into position through the face of web panels at maximum 100mm centres.

Fixings should be a minimum 25mm and maximum 50mm from each end of flange panel. There is no need to stagger joints between faces.

Repeat process on reverse side of beam.

#### Staple details

Galvanised steel
35mm
1.45mm
10.5mm
1.3mm
100mm









#### COMPLETED BEAM WITH COVER STRIP



## **Finishing**

#### Plastering and painting

#### **Plastering**

If a skim coat is required, apply a sealing coat of diluted universal primer/PVA (e.g. 1 part PVA and 5 parts water). Sealing coat should be allowed to dry thoroughly (approximately 24 hours). Apply bonding coat (3 parts PVA and 1 part water).

Apply plaster skim (3mm thick) while the bonding coat is wet and tacky.

It is recommended that a small test area is plastered initially to ensure that the boards have been adequately sealed. Jute Scrim (Hessian) can be applied to all joints and internal corners, or alternatively Joint Tape (Paper Tape) can be used. Self Adhesive Scrim (Patch Tape) is not recommended.

The plaster manufacturers' recommendations should be followed at all times.

#### **Painting**

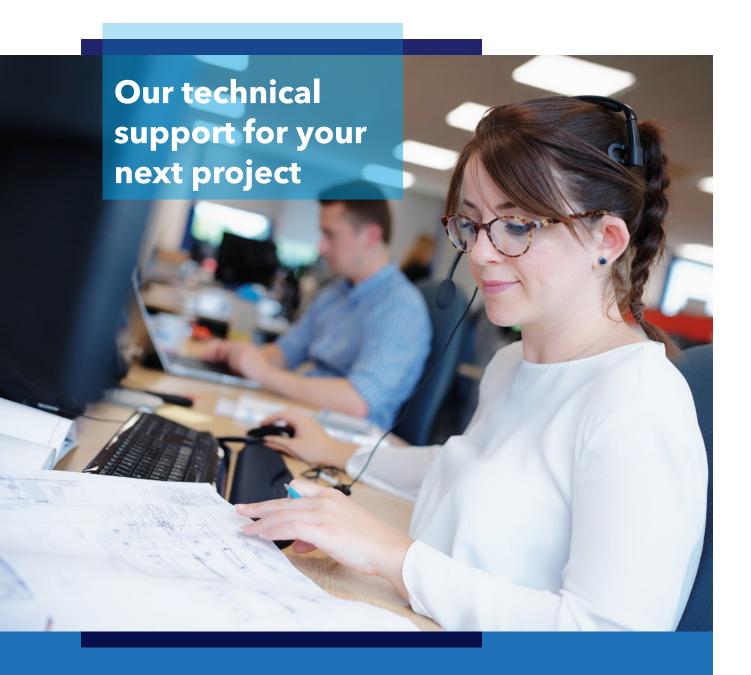
Promat boards have an attractive, smooth finish but if required they can be painted with emulsion or water based paints. With water based paints, a diluted first coat should be used.

All coatings should be supplied by a reputable manufacturer and their recommendations regarding surface preparation, sealing and finish coat should be followed at all times.



## **Technical Characteristics**





We understand that designing and building a passive fire protection solution is often not an easy task.

We can help you to interpret your local regulations and assess the risks in your building project that demand a reliable fire safety solution.

We can provide you with a full supporting documents you need to finalise your design and start the building process.

We offer you technical support and practical advice to deliver a perfect fire safety job.

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