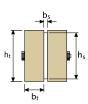
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# Flitch Beam Design (BS 5268-2:2002 & BS 449)

#### **Beam details**

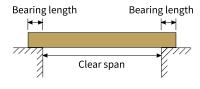
Timber strength class	C24
Service class of timber	2
Timber width	b <sub>t</sub> = <b>47</b> mm
Timber depth	h <sub>t</sub> = <b>175</b> mm
Steel grade	Grade <b>43</b> S275
Steel width	$b_s = 10 \text{ mm}$
Steel depth	h <sub>s</sub> = <b>165</b> mm
Bolt diameter	<b>12</b> mm



## **Span details**

Beam clear span  $L_{cl} = 2.635 \text{ m}$ Bearing length  $L_{b} = 200 \text{ mm}$ 

Beam effective span  $L_{eff} = L_{cl} + (2 \times (L_b / 2)) = 2.835 \text{ m}$ 



Diagrams not to scale

# **Loading details**



#### Load 1: UDL - Flat roof, with no permanent access

Dead load  $F_{d,1} = 1 \text{ kN/m}^2 \times 1.6 \text{ m} = 1.6 \text{ kN/m}$ 

Imposed load  $F_{i,1} = 0.75 \text{ kN/m}^2 \times 1.6 \text{ m} = 1.2 \text{ kN/m}$ 



#### Load 2: UDL - Flat roof, with no permanent access

Dead load  $F_{d,2} = 1.5 \text{ kN/m}^2 \times 1.5 \text{ m} = 2.25 \text{ kN/m}$  plus  $0.5 \text{kN/m}^2 \times 1.5 \text{ m} = 2.25 \text{ kN/m}$ 

Imposed load  $F_{i,2} = 0.75 \text{ kN/m}^2 \times 1.5 \text{ m} = 1.125 \text{ kN/m}$ 

# **Reactions (unfactored)**

	Dead	Imposed	Total
Left reaction	<b>5.73</b> kN	<b>3.30</b> kN	<b>9.03</b> kN
Right reaction	<b>5.73</b> kN	<b>3.30</b> kN	<b>9.03</b> kN

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 $K_3 = 1.25$ 

# **Modification factors**

Load duration factor

Timber service class modification factor K2 as table 16

Bending parallel to grain  $K_{2,ben} = 1.00$  Compression perpendicular to grain  $K_{2,per} = 1.00$  Shear parallel to grain  $K_{2,shr} = 1.00$  Mean & min modulus of elasticity  $K_{2,mod} = 1.00$ 

From BS5268-2 Table 18, bearing is < 75mm from joist end.

Bearing modification factor  $K_4 = 1.00$ 

Depth factor  $K_7 = (300 / h)^{0.11} = 1.06$ 

Load sharing modification factor (BS5268-2 clause 2.10.11)  $K_8 = 1.10$  Modulus of elasticity modification factor (BS5268-2 clause  $K_9 = 1.14$ 

2.9)

#### Modular ratio of steel to timber

Timber minimum modulus of elasticity  $E_{min} = 7,200 \text{ N/mm}^2$ 

Modulus of elasticity for grade 43 steel  $E_{st} = 205,000 \text{ N/mm}^2$ 

The minimum modulus of elasticity modified by the factor  $E = E_{min} \times K_{2,mod} \times K_9 = 8,210 \text{ N/mm}^2$ 

K9 should be used for deflections

Modular ratio  $MR = E_{st} / E = 25$ 

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#### **Section properties**

Equivalent timber Area of section EA = No. steel pieces  $\times$  MR  $\times$  b<sub>s</sub>  $\times$  d<sub>s</sub> + No. timber pieces  $\times$  (b<sub>t</sub>  $\times$  d<sub>t</sub>) =

**57,700** mm<sup>2</sup>

Inertia of timber about xx axis  $I_t = No. timber members \times b_t \times d_t^3 / 12 = 42,000,000 \text{ mm}^4$ 

Modified Inertia of steel about xx axis  $I_s = \text{No. steel plates} \times \text{MR} \times b_s \times d_s^3 / 12 = 93,500,000 \text{ mm}^4$ 

Total Inertia about xx axis in equivalent timber  $I_{xx} = I_t + I_s = 135,000,000 \text{ mm}^4$ 

Distance to edge of steel  $Y_s = d_s/2 = 82.5 \text{ mm}$ Distance to edge of timber  $Y_t = d_t/2 = 87.5 \text{ mm}$ 

Extreme fibre is timber section  $Y_c = Y_t = 87.5 \text{ mm}$ Dist of centroid to steel edge  $Y_n = Y_s = 82.5 \text{ mm}$ 

Z to top edge of timber  $Z_c = I_{xx}/Y_c = 1,550,000 \text{ mm}^3$ 

Average density for C24 grade timber (BS 5268-2:2002  $\rho_{mean} = 420 \text{ kg/m}^3$ 

Table 8)

Self weight of timber (g =  $9.81 \text{ m/s}^2$ ) Self weight of steel (g =  $9.81 \text{ m/s}^2$ )

Total self weight (g =  $9.81 \text{ m/s}^2$ )  $F_{self} = 552 \text{ N}$ 

 $F_{\text{self, timber}} = (b_t \times h_t \times \rho_{\text{mean}}) \times L_{\text{eff}} \times g = \textbf{192 N}$ 

 $F_{self, steel} = (b_s \times h_s \times \rho_{steel}) \times L_{eff} \times g = 360 \text{ N}$ 

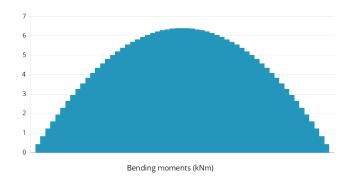
### **Section design parameters**

Design bending moment M<sub>b</sub> = **6,400,000** Nmm

Design shear force  $F_{ve} = 9,030 \text{ N}$ 

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#### **Check bending stress**



Strains in the timber and steel are the same at the same distance from the neutral axis. Since  $Y_t > Y_s$  (87.5 mm > 82.5 mm) the modified steel stress will be less than that of the timber as a ratio of the distances  $Y_s$  and  $Y_t$ .

Timber grade bending stress parallel to grain (BS5268-2 Table 8)

Permissible timber bending stress (factored)

Maximum bending moment

Applied bending stress in timber

 $\sigma_{t,m,g,par}$  =  $7.5~\text{N}/\text{mm}^2$ 

 $\sigma_{t,m,adm} = \sigma_{t,m,g,par} \times K_{2,ben} \times K_3 \times K_7 \times K_8 = \textbf{10.9} \text{ N/mm}^2$ 

M = **6.4** kNm

 $\sigma_{t,m,max} = M/Z_c = 4.13 \text{ N/mm}^2$ 

Pass  $\sigma_{t,m,max} \le \sigma_{t,m,adm}$  ( 4.133 N/mm<sup>2</sup>  $\le$  10.942 N/mm<sup>2</sup> ) applied bending stress in timber within permissible

Permissible steel stress from table 2 BS449, grade 43 steel, with a fully restrained section assumed in design, steel plate less than or equal to 40 mm thick

Applied bending stress in steel

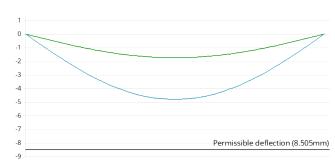
 $\sigma_{s,adm} = 180 \text{ N/mm}^2$ 

 $\sigma_{s,m,max} = \sigma_{t,m,max} \times MR \times Y_n / Y_c = 97.3 \text{ N/mm}^2$ 

Pass  $\sigma_{s,m,max} \leftarrow \sigma_{s,adm}$  (97.331 N/mm<sup>2</sup>  $\leftarrow$  180 N/mm<sup>2</sup>) applied bending stress in steel within permissible

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## Check deflection (including shear deflection as required by clause 2.10.7)



Live load deflection (green) and total load deflection (blue) in mm

Deflection based on E = 8208 N/mm<sup>2</sup>

Dead load deflection without shear

Imposed load deflection without shear

Total dead & imposed load deflection

Modulus of rigidity

Shape factor for rectangular section

Shear area for beam

Total dead and imposed load

If total dead & imposed load applied as a UDL, additional

deflection due to shear

Shear deflection

Permissible deflection

Total deflection inclusive of shear

 $\delta_d$  = **3.06** mm

 $\delta_l$  = **1.76** mm

 $\delta_t$  = **4.82** mm

 $G = E / 16 = 513 \text{ N/mm}^2$ 

K<sub>F</sub> = **1.2** 

 $A_v = EA / K_F = 48,000 \text{ mm}^2$ 

W = 18.1 kN

 $\delta_{su} = W \times L_{eff} \times 10^6 / (8 \times A_v \times G) =$ **0.26** mm

 $\delta_{\text{shear}} = \delta_{\text{su}} \times M_{\text{b}}/(W \times L/8) =$ **0.26** mm

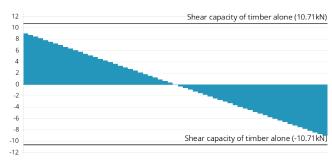
 $\delta_{\text{adm}} = 0.003 \times L \times 10^3 =$ 8.51 mm

 $\delta_{max} = \delta_{d} + \delta_{l} + \delta_{shear} =$ **5.08** mm

Pass  $\delta_{max} \ll \delta_{adm}$  ( 5.08 mm  $\ll$  8.51 mm ), therefore OK for deflection

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#### **Check shear stress**



Shear force (kN)

No notches to occur at the critical shear position.

Timber grade shear stress parallel to grain (BS5268-2 Table 8)

Permissible shear parallel to grain (factored)  $\tau_{t,adm} = \tau_{t,g,par} \times K_{2,shr} \times K_{3} \times K_{8} = \textbf{0.976 N/mm}^{2}$ 

Permissible shear force on timber  $F_{t,adm} = 2 \times \tau_{t,adm} \times No.$  timber members  $\times b_t \times d_t / 3 = 10,700 \text{ N}$ 

Design shear force  $F_{ve} = 9,030 \text{ N}$ 

Pass  $F_{ve} \le F_{t,adm}$  (9029.227 N  $\le$  10706.208 N ) applied shear force is less than the shear capacity of timber alone, therefore OK

 $\tau_{t,g,par} = 0.71 \text{ N/mm}^2$ 

## **Check bearing stress**

Timber grade compressive stress perpendicular to grain  $\sigma_{t,c,g,B} = 1.9 \text{ N/mm}^2$  (BS5268-2 Table 8)

Permissible compressive stress perpendicular to grain  $\sigma_{t,c,adm} = \sigma_{t,c,g,B} \times K_{2,per} \times K_3 \times K_4 \times K_8 = \textbf{2.61 N/mm}^2$  (factored)

Timber bearing stress on support  $\sigma_{t,c,max} = F_{ve}/(L_b \times No. \text{ timber members } \times b_t) = 0.48 \text{ N/mm}^2$ 

Pass  $\sigma_{t,c,max} \leftarrow \sigma_{t,c,adm}$  (0.48 N/mm<sup>2</sup>  $\leftarrow$  2.613 N/mm<sup>2</sup>) bearing stress is less than permissible timber stress, therefore OK

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#### Bolts between timber and steel plates along beam

Total load on beam W = total left reaction + total right reaction = **18.1** kN

Maximum reaction at bearing  $R_{max} = 9.03 \text{ kN}$ 

Basic bolt shear capacity (tables 69-73)  $V_{capacity} = 2.23 \text{ kN}$ 

Number of interfaces  $N_{interfaces} = 2$ 

Minimum number of bolts required at bearings calc  $N_{bolts, bearings, calc} = R_{max} / (N_{interfaces} \times V_{capacity}) = 2.02$ 

Limiting bolt spacing  $S_{limit} = min(2.5 \times h_t, 600) = 438 \text{ mm}$ 

Minimum number of bolts along length of beam  $N_{bolts\_along\_length} = W / (N_{interfaces} \times V_{capacity}) = 4.05$ 

Bolts to be staggered along the length of the beam, alternately set  $h_t/4$  = 43.8 mm above and below the centre line.

Bolts are to be spaced at **437.5 mm maximum** centres.

Bolts at the supports are to be located 0.5 x the bearing length  $(L_b)$  = **100 mm** from the inner edge of the support.

Minimum end and edge distances in the timber are to be 4 x bolt diameter = 48 mm.

#### **Design summary**

	Permissible	Applied/Actual	Utilisation	Result
Shear force (kN)	10.7	9.03	84.3 %	ОК
Timber bending stress (N/mm²)	10.9	4.13	37.8 %	ОК
Steel bending stress (N/mm²)	180	97.3	54.1 %	ОК
Bearing stress (N/mm²)	2.61	0.48	18.4 %	ОК
Deflection (mm)	8.51	5.08	59.7 %	ОК

#### **Notes**

This design is in accordance with BS 5268-2:2002 Structural use of timber - Part 2: Code of practice for permissible stress design, materials and workmanship, and BS449 - Specification for the use of structural steel in building.

Timber to be covered, this calculation is not to be used for timber which is fully exposed to the elements.

Wane as allowed in BS 4978:2007 + A2:2017 is permitted.