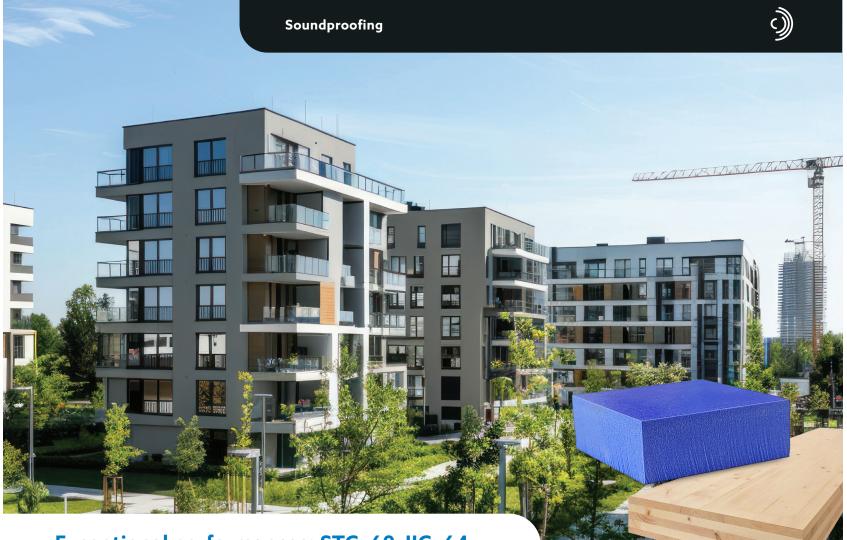
Acoustic Blocks PAC-IFB1 SD650

Acoustic solution for solid wood structures



Exceptional performances: STC: 60 IIC: 64

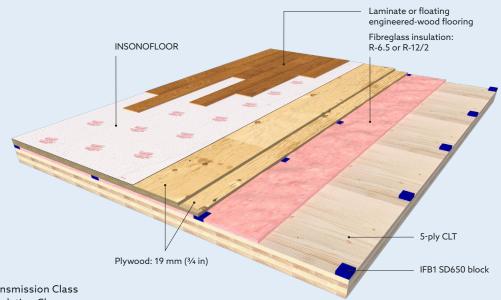
Mass Timber Structure (CLT)





Benefits

- Easy to use: Compact blocks (5 cm × 5 cm × 2,5 cm [2 in × 2 in × 1 in])
- Efficient transportation: 25 units per box (approximate value: 10 cm x 10 cm x 18 cm [4 in x 4 in x 7 in])
- + Space saving: Minimal storage required
- + Efficient installation: No cutting required; zero loss and no waste on site
- + Low profile: Total height without floor finish (6.7 cm [2 5/8 in])
- High acoustic performance (ref. Intertek Report No.: R5915.07-113-11-R0):
 - Airborne noise attenuation (STC* = 60) > Excellent soundproofing against voices and ambient sounds;
 - Impact noise reduction (IIC** = 64) > Effective reduction of footstep and impact noise.



STC**: Sound Transmission Class *IIC**: Impact Insulation Class

Results are based on laboratory tests according to ASTM E90 (STC) and ASTM E492 (IIC) standards.

Robinson Test

Assembly:

Assembly made of ceramic tiles and INSONO AF3-130 instead of a wooden floor and the INSONOFLOOR product.

Results - Cycle 6:

Residential to light commercial environments (such as offices, reception areas, kitchens, and bathrooms).

Installation

01 Preparing the substrate

Clean the substrate thoroughly, removing all debris and dust. **It must be clean, dry, healthy, and stable.**

02 Installing the first row of blocks

Place the first row of **IFB** blocks at a distance of **3 mm (1/8 in) to 6 mm (1/4 in)** from the walls. This distance helps to avoid contact that could affect the acoustic performance of the system. (*Fig. 1*)

03 Marking the position of the blocks

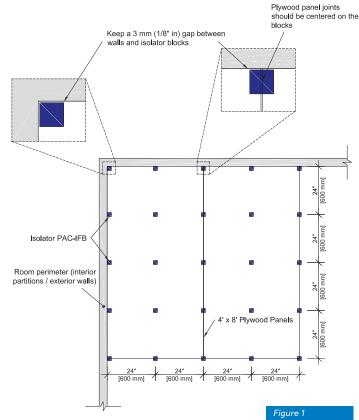
Use a chalk line or laser beams to mark the exact location of each **IFB** block on the substrate to ensure a smooth and precise installation.

04 Installing the decoupling strip

Place a **decoupling strip** (cross-linked foam) on each lower part of the wall. This strip should be approximately **3 mm (1/8 in) to 6 mm (1/4 in)** thick to prevent the floating plywood assembly from coming into direct contact with the wall if an acoustic sealant is not used (see instructions in Point 9 below) (*Fig. 2*).

05 Installing the second row of blocks

Place the **second row** of **IFB blocks 60 cm** (24 in) c/c from the outer edge (wall side) of the blocks in the first row (*Fig. 1 and 2*).





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06 Installing the following rows of blocks

• Subsequent rows of **IFB** blocks should be spaced **60 cm (24 in)** c/c from the previous row (*Fig. 1*) or **every 30 cm (12 in) for ceramic tile sections in kitchens or bathrooms**.

07 Positioning IFB blocks

Place each **IFB** block on the marked areas. A **spray adhesive** can be used to provide a temporary hold during installation (*Fig. 2*).

08 Installing insulation between IFB blocks

Place **fibreglass** or **cellulose insulation** between the **IFB** blocks. Standard **R-6.7** insulation or **R-12** insulation split into two sections can be used.

Note: Make sure the blocks are correctly positioned. Adjust any block that may have moved during installation (*Fig. 3*).



Figure 3

09 Install the first layer of plywood

• Install the first layer of 19 mm (3/4 in) plywood over the IFB blocks, making sure to stagger the joints. Do not use tongue and groove plywood. Leave a space of approximately 3 mm (1/8 in) between the panels to prevent the floor from squeaking.

• Alignment: The plywood should be flush with the outer edge of the IFB blocks in the first row, maintaining a 3 mm (1/8 in) gap between the plywood and the walls. This gap must be filled with an acoustic sealant (TECSOUND CLG 5900) or a cross-linked foam strip (see instructions in Point 4 above).

10 Installing the second layer of plywood

• Lay a second layer of **19 mm (3/4 in) plywood**, making sure to **stagger the joints** with the first layer. Fully adhere and screw this layer to ensure good cohesion and minimize vibrations.

- Joint offset: Start with a 60 cm × 120 cm (2 ft × 4 ft) panel to offset the joints.
 - Alternative option: Install the second layer, at a **45° angle to the first layer**.

11 Attaching the second layer of plywood

- Apply adhesive to the first layer of plywood.
- Lay the **first panel** of the second layer, aligning its outer corners with those of the first layer.
- Fasteners: Attach the layers with 3.8 cm (1 1/2 in) wood screws.

12 Fastening

• Fasten the second layer of plywood at a maximum of 30 cm (12 in) c/c.

• For surfaces with ceramic tiles, space the screws no more than 15 cm (6 in) apart to ensure better stability.

13 Fastening

• Install the second layer **one panel at a time**, ensuring that the staggered joints are properly aligned.

14 Complete fastening

Fasten each panel immediately after installation.

15 Checking the perimeter

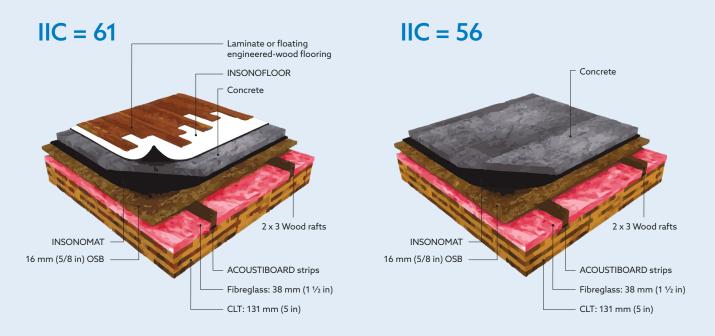
• Ensure that the **perimeter remains decoupled** from the walls to avoid any contact between the plywood layers and the structure.

• Check that the **decoupling strip or acoustic sealant** is in place.

16 Installing the membrane and flooring product

- Install the subfloor membrane:
 - INSONOFLOOR for wood floor covering;
 - INSONO AF3-130 for ceramic flooring.
- Install flooring according to manufacturer's recommendations.

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