## fischer Test Report

# Fixing Tests for Wienerberger 'Porotherm' Blocks

#### **Test Parameters**

The fixings were tested into both Wienerberger Porotherm 190 & Porotherm 365 fired clay construction blocks. The tests were carried out by Laurence Parker – fischer Technical Field Engineer on 11th March 2009. Tests were carried out on walls constructed from Porotherm 190 and Porotherm 365 at the Wienerberger Factory complex in the UK. Fixings were fitted into block ends and randomly into wall sides to simulate the unpredictability of locating fixings into a plastered surface where the structure of the block cannot be determined. All drilling operations into these blocks should be done without the hammer action using rotary only. All tests were carried out using a calibrated Hydrajaws 2000 tensile meter 0-20 kN Gauge serial No CF S1, conforming to CFA (Construction Fixings Association) guidelines. Each type of fixing was tested six times.

#### **Substrates Tested**



Porotherm 190

#### **Porotherm Core Range**

|                     | · ·                             |                |                              |                      |                                       |
|---------------------|---------------------------------|----------------|------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------------------------|
|                     | DIMENSIONS<br>W x L x H<br>(mm) | QUANTITY<br>m² | QUANTITY<br>PACK<br>No. (m²) | WEIGHT<br>EACH<br>Kg | WEIGHT<br>PACK<br>(inc. pallet)<br>Kg |
| POROTHERM 100       | 100 x 300 x 224                 | 15             | 160 (10.6)                   | 6.4                  | 1032                                  |
| POROTHERM 140       | 140 x 300 x 224                 | 15             | 120 (8)                      | 7.9                  | 955                                   |
| POROTHERM 190       | 190 x 300 x 224                 | 15             | 80 (5.3)                     | 10.7                 | 870                                   |
| POROTHERM 365 (T12) | 365 x 248 x 249                 | 16             | 60 (3.7)                     | 14.1                 | 854                                   |

Porotherm blocks comply with EN771-1, LD Classification and carry a CE mark CE



Porotherm 365

#### **Fixing Products Tested**

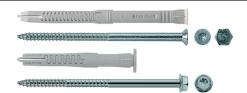
#### fischer Nylon UX Plug

Typical Installation Light duty fixing for general fixings, i.e. battens, curtain rails, light weight shelving, bathroom cabinets etc.



#### fischer Nylon FUR Frame Fixing

Typical Applications Façade fixing (wooden & metal substructures): Anchorage of laths, wall plates, beams and frames, metal consoles. Supports and rails on inner & outer walls.



#### fischer Frame Fixing SXR

Typical Applications The SXR is a light - medium duty fixing and can be used to fix door frames, battens for cladding, shelving and with the A4 grade screws, external fixtures and fittings. **ETA Approvals** ETA approval is available for the SXR Frame fixing into various Porotherm Blocks. (Please refer to fischer Fixings Technical Department **01491 827 920** for further details).



### fischer FIS V 360 S Hybrid Vinyl Ester Resin with FIS H 16 x 85 K sleeve and M10 Rod

Typical Applications This is a heavy duty fixing for door frames, Wall plates and any application where a recommended load of up to 1.4 kN per fixing is required.



#### **Test Results**

fischer Nylon UX into PTH 190 & PTH 365 using  $\emptyset$ 8mm drill hole, embedment depth of 50mm fixed for this plug, screw length will depend on fixture thickness.

| fischer Nylon U | X 8 x 50 R with 5mn | n wood screw into PTH 190  | fischer Nylon U | JX 8 x 50 R with 5mr | n woodscrew into PHT 36    |
|-----------------|---------------------|----------------------------|-----------------|----------------------|----------------------------|
| TEST No         | LOAD IN kN          | MODE OF FAILURE            | TEST No         | LOAD IN kN           | MODE OF FAILURE            |
| 1               | 1.0                 | Block End 1st Tensile Slip | 1               | 1.0                  | Block End 1st Tensile Slip |
| 2               | 0.9                 | Block End 1st Tensile Slip | 2               | 0.7                  | Block End 1st Tensile Slip |
| 3               | 0.5                 | Mid Block 1st Tensile Slip | 3               | 1.5                  | Mid Block 1st Tensile Slip |
| 4               | 0.7                 | Mid Block 1st Tensile Slip | 4               | 0.7                  | Mid Block 1st Tensile Slip |
| 5               | 0.5                 | Mid Block 1st Tensile Slip | 5               | 1.0                  | Mid Block 1st Tensile Slip |
| 6               | 0.5                 | Mid Block 1st Tensile Slip | 6               | 0.6                  | Mid Block 1st Tensile Slip |

Average Ultimate Tensile Load = 0.68kN. Using a global safety factor of 7, safe working load in tension = 0.10kN

Average Ultimate Tensile Load = 0.91kN. Using a global safety factor of 7, safe working load in tension = 0.13kN

fischer Nylon FUR frame fixing in PTH 190 & PTH 365 using Ø10mm drill hole.

| fisc    | fischer FUR 10 x 80 FUS into PTH 190 |                                 | fischer FUR 10 x 80 FUS into PTH 365 |            |                                 |
|---------|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------|---------------------------------|
| TEST No | LOAD IN kN                           | MODE OF FAILURE                 | TEST No                              | LOAD IN kN | MODE OF FAILURE                 |
| 1       | 1.1                                  | Block End 1st Tensile Slip      | 1                                    | 1.2        | Block End 1st Tensile Slip      |
| 2       | 0.5                                  | Block Mid Wall 1st Tensile Slip | 2                                    | 1.3        | Block Mid Wall 1st Tensile Slip |
| 3       | 1.8                                  | Block Mid Wall 1st Tensile Slip | 3                                    | 0.8        | Block Mid Wall 1st Tensile Slip |
| 4       | 1.5                                  | Block Mid Wall 1st Tensile Slip | 4                                    | 1.3        | Block Mid Wall 1st Tensile Slip |
| 5       | 1.5                                  | Block Mid Wall 1st Tensile Slip | 5                                    | 1.1        | Block Mid Wall 1st Tensile Slip |
| 6       | 1.0                                  | Block Mid Wall 1st Tensile Slip | 6                                    | 1.2        | Block Mid Wall 1st Tensile Slip |

Average Ultimate Tensile Load = 1.23kN. Using a global safety factor of 7, safe working load in tension = 0.17kN

Average Ultimate Tensile Load = 1.15kN. Using a global safety factor of 7, safe working load in tension = 0.16kN

N.B. Choice of FUR frame fixing length will depend on the fixture thickness, but all FURs both 8mm & 10mm require a full 70mm embedment to perform correctly.

fischer SXR frame fixing into PTH 190 & PTH 365 with Ø10mm drill hole.

| fiso    | cher SXR 10 x 100 | Γinto PTH 190               | fis     | cher SXR 10 x 100 | T into PTH 365               |
|---------|-------------------|-----------------------------|---------|-------------------|------------------------------|
| TEST No | LOAD IN kN        | MODE OF FAILURE             | TEST No | LOAD IN KN        | MODE OF FAILURE              |
| 1       | 1.0               | Block End Substrate Failure | 1       | 0.9               | Block End Substrate Failure  |
| 2       | 1.4               | Mid Block Substrate Failure | 2       | 1.0               | Block End Substrate Failure  |
| 3       | 0.8               | Mid Block Substrate Failure | 3       | 1.2               | Block Side Substrate Failure |
| 4       | 1.0               | Mid Block Substrate Failure | 4       | 1.2               | Block Side Substrate Failure |
| 5       | 0.9               | Mid Block Substrate Failure | 5       | 1.6               | Block Side Substrate Failure |
| 6       | 1.2               | Mid Block Substrate Failure | 6       | 1.6               | Block Side Substrate Failure |

Average Ultimate Tensile Load = 1.05kN. Using a global safety factor of 7, safe working load in tension = 0.15kN

Average Ultimate Tensile Load = 1.25kN. Using a global safety factor of 7, safe working load in tension = 0.17kN

N.B. Choice of SXR frame fixing length will depend on the fixture thickness, but all SXRs both 8mm & 10mm require a full 50mm embedment to perform correctly.

#### fischer FIS V 360 S Resin + Sleeve and M8 Stud in to PTH 190 & PTH 365

| scher FIS V 360 S | with FIS H 16 x 85 S | leeve + M8 Stud into PTH 190 | fischer FIS V | 360 S Res |
|-------------------|----------------------|------------------------------|---------------|-----------|
| TEST No           | LOAD IN kN           | MODE OF FAILURE              | TEST No       | LOAD II   |
| 1                 | 6.0                  | Block Failure                | 1             | 4.5       |
| 2                 | 6.1                  | Block Failure                | 2             | 6.0       |
| 3                 | 6.2                  | Block Failure                | 3             | 7.0       |
| 4                 | 7.0                  | Block Failure                | 4             | 5.0       |
| 5                 | 9.9                  | Block Failure                | 5             | 6.0       |
| 6                 | 5.0                  | Block Failure                | 6             | 6.1       |
|                   |                      |                              |               |           |

Average Ultimate Tensile Load = 6.7kN. Using a global safety factor of 4, safe working load in tension = 1.67kN

Average Ultimate Tensile Load = 5.7kN. Using a global safety factor of 4, safe working load in tension = 1.44kN

#### Conclusion

fischer has a range of fixings suitable for both the Wienerberger Porotherm 190 and 365 perforated fired clay building blocks. From heavy duty fixing requirements to light duty applications, the correct solution can be found. For the most demanding Heavy Duty applications, in both blocks, the Resin anchor FIS V 360 S with FIS H Nylon Sleeve and threaded rod gives the best results with recommended loads of up to 1.67kN in Porotherm 190 and 1.44kN in Porotherm 365. For Medium Duty applications up to 0.17kN the FUR and SXR frame fixings are the most suitable. The FUR with an embedment depth of 70mm is generally a more efficient fixing and easier to install where web spacing is 50mm apart, being particularly

useful in block ends. The SXR however is a powerful fixing in blocks with web spacings of between 15mm and 20mm as in the Porotherm 365. The UX plug offers a first class light duty fixing for general applications in both blocks. It friction locks in blocks with close spaced webs and knot locks behind 1st web or outer skin in blocks with larger web spacings and block ends. Recommended loads in the region of 0.10kN were achieved in both blocks.

N.B All drilling operations in these Blocks should be done without Hammer action.