# Fibre cement installation: key checks

Use the current instructions for the specific panel and support system.

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### 1 Design the supports

Check alignment, bearing, spacing and fixing capacity against panel size and design loads.

### 2 Set the joint

Use the specified gap, profile and weather detail. An 8-10 mm open joint is not a rule for every board.

### 3 Fix each board correctly

Maintain required edge distances and fixing locations; support adjoining edges as specified.

### 4 Allow movement

Follow requirements for hole size, fixed/sliding points and tightening.

### 5 Detail the cavity

Ventilated cladding requires its designed airflow, drainage, cavity barriers and closure details.

### 6 Keep products distinct

Do not transfer fibre cement rainscreen instructions to SulfRock MgS or IPS panel joints.

**The board name, system guide and approved drawing must agree before installation.**

## REFERENCE GUIDANCE

Swisspearl: facade design and installation manual
HSE: construction dust controls

Use current product instructions and the approved project design. For regulations, confirm the UK nation, applicable edition and transitional arrangements.