

Groundwork Hints & Tips Page

Please find below some points to think about when getting quotes for your groundworks for your timber building.

What to talk to your Groundworker about?

We can advise as much as possible on groundworks and give you recommendations however when it comes to laying the base and brick you would need to liaise with your builder as much as possible.

Here are some main things we recommend you discuss with your groundworker:

- **The type of bricks to use** – We require a single course of semi-engineering brick (with holes) to be laid to our base plan. The use of any other brick could incur additional charge. Please also advise if the height of the brick exceeds 3" (75mm)
- **The fall on the concrete** – The fall of your concrete base is important to discuss with your builder as the wrong fall on concrete could result to water ingress.
- **Drainage** – Please discuss the drainage requirements that you require to ensure to drains/soakaways suitable for the positioning of your new building.
- **Checking Brick Measurements** – If the brick measurements are wrong on the day of delivery and installation this could incur additional return charge. (Please see point 7.2 in the terms and conditions)

Chart's Base Suggestions:

For the base we suggest:

- 4"-6" of Hard-core
- Damp-proof membrane
- Steel reinforced mesh
- 4"-6" of Concrete
- Single course of semi-engineering brick to be laid to the Chart Timber Buildings Base Plan. *A water proofer is recommended to be used within the mortar, to prevent water ingress*



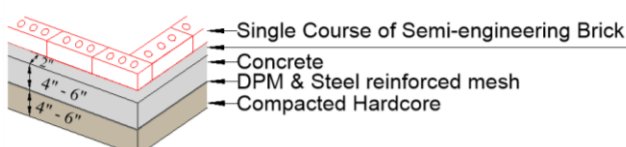
We can install onto more than one course, but we would need to be aware as changes would need to be made to your order. For example, if on more than one course of brick we would need to allow for the doors to be longer so there is not a large gap underneath the doors, we would also have to use a different method of bolting down which would incur an additional charge.

We highly recommend making the base 2" bigger than the bricks to help prevent the concrete cracking when the building is bolted down, however please ensure that an edging tool is used to shape the concrete, so the rainwater falls away from the brickwork.

If you have any questions or queries, please don't hesitate to give the office a call on 01233 611123.

If building regulations apply, please advise us and follow the specifications recommended by your building regulations officer.

Base Suggestions



We recommend a 2" (50mm) lip around the base. This must be finished with an edging trowel. This is to help prevent water ingress.