

Statutory basis: CDM 2015 regs 13 and 15 — the contractor plans, manages and monitors its own work, including the stability of masonry while it is being built; temporary restraint to free-standing masonry is temporary works, managed under BS 5975-1:2024 and set by its design; protection of new masonry during construction to BS EN 1996-2:2006 and BS 8000-3:2020, with HSE HSG150 (3rd edition, 2006) on structural stability during construction; scaffold tie positions on new work set by the scaffold contractor under NASC TG20:21 or the scaffold design. This document is the recorded safe system of work required by HSWA 1974 s.2(2)(a) and MHSWR 1999 regs 3 and 5.

1 DOCUMENT AND PROJECT IDENTIFICATION

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| RAMS REFERENCE                | PROJECT / SITE REF | SITE NAME AND ADDRESS | DATE PREPARED | NEXT REVIEW DATE     |
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| CLIENT / PRINCIPAL CONTRACTOR | PLANNED START      | DURATION              | OPERATIVES    | SUPERVISING THE WORK |
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2 SCOPE OF WORKS

Keeping masonry standing in wind while it is being built and before the permanent structure restrains it: green walls, gables and parapets built ahead of the roof, long runs of blockwork and boundary walls without returns, temporary propping and bracing to the design, scaffold ties into new work, the stand-down when wind rises, and the checks before anyone goes back near the walls.

This document does not cover: general brick and block laying (KD-RAMS-BM-001), scaffold design, sheeting and erection (KD-RAMS-SC-001 and KD-RAMS-SC-002), use of the scaffold in high winds, storms and ice (KD-RA-SC-004), site-wide wind monitoring and stand-downs (KD-RAMS-SL-005), and the design of temporary restraint (temporary works designer).

SITE-SPECIFIC SCOPE, LOCATIONS AND LIMITATIONS

3 RISK ASSESSMENT — SCORE EACH RISK FOR THIS SITE, THEN ADD WHAT IS MISSING

The hazards and controls below are the starting point for this activity, written by a working main contractor. They are not complete for your site until a competent person has scored each risk, added the site-specific hazards, and struck out anything that does not apply. Rate risks High / Medium / Low before and after controls.

1. A green wall blown over while the mortar has little strength

At risk: Bricklayers, anyone on either side of the wall

Controls: Daily lift heights kept to what the design or specification allows for the unit and mortar; the forecast checked before any high lift, and the lift not started if wind is forecast to reach the limit before the wall can be restrained. Walls at risk barriered with an exclusion zone on each side no less than the height of the wall, or larger if the temporary works coordinator sets it.

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| INITIAL (H/M/L) | RESIDUAL (H/M/L) | SITE-SPECIFIC ADDITIONAL CONTROLS, OR N/A | ACTION OWNER | BY WHEN |
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2. Gables, parapets and piers standing above their restraint before the roof or floor goes on

At risk: Bricklayers, roofers, everyone nearby

Controls: These walls are identified on the temporary works register before they are built. They are built no higher than the design allows ahead of the restraint, propped or braced to the design as they rise, and the restraint straps built in as the courses reach them — not added later.

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3. Long runs of internal blockwork and boundary walls without returns or piers

At risk: Operatives, other trades

Controls: Returns and piers built with the run as the design shows, not left to the end; where a run must stand free overnight it is propped or braced to the design. Materials and sheets are not leaned against a green wall.

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4. Temporary props and bracing that are improvised, disturbed or struck too early

At risk: Everyone near the wall

Controls: Only the props, bracing and sole plates the temporary works design specifies, installed as shown and checked by the supervisor; nobody moves or borrows a prop; props come out only when the permanent restraint is complete and the temporary works coordinator authorises it.

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5. Scaffold ties into green or free-standing masonry

At risk: Everyone on and below the scaffold

Controls: Tie positions on new work are agreed with the scaffold contractor before the wall is built, so ties are made only into masonry able to take them. Bricklayers never remove or move a tie, and never add sheets or covers to the scaffold. Use of the scaffold itself in high winds follows KD-RA-SC-004.

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6. Loose materials, covers and waste blown off the scaffold

At risk: People below, the public

Controls: Polythene, hessian and empty bags secured or cleared at every break; loose boards and offcuts removed from lifts; stacks kept low and away from the edge; everything loose made secure before a stand-down is called, not after.

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7. Bricklayers losing balance handling large blocks in gusting wind

At risk: Bricklayers

Controls: Large-format and hollow blocks catch the wind. The lower wind limit for laying them at height is written into this RAMS when it is adapted to the site, before work starts; nobody handles a unit above head height on the scaffold in gusts.

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8. Going back near walls after high winds without checking them

At risk: Everyone

Controls: The supervisor checks every wall and its restraint for cracking, movement or lean before work resumes, and the scaffold is used again only once cleared under KD-RA-SC-004. A cracked or moved wall is barriered and referred to the temporary works coordinator — it is never pushed back or built over.

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Site-specific hazards not listed above — every site has at least one:

| HAZARD | WHO IS AT RISK | CONTROLS | INITIAL H/... | RESIDUAL... | ACTION OWNER | BY WHEN |
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4 METHOD — SEQUENCE OF WORK

- Before the job, identify every wall that will stand free above its restraint — gables, parapets, piers, long runs without returns — and confirm with the temporary works coordinator which need a temporary restraint design. Agree tie positions on new work with the scaffold contractor.
- Write the wind limits into this RAMS before work starts — the general limit and the lower limit for large-format blocks. Check the forecast at the start of each day and before any high lift, and brief the gang on both limits.
- Build to the lift heights the design or specification allows. Build returns and piers with the run, and build in restraint straps as the courses reach them.
- Install props and bracing to the design as the wall rises, not at the end of the day. Supervisor checks each installation against the drawing.
- At every break and at the end of the shift, secure or clear covers, bags, boards and offcuts from the scaffold and the wall head.
- When the wind approaches the limit, stop laying at height, make materials secure and withdraw. Barrier any wall at risk with an exclusion zone no less than its height on each side, or larger if the temporary works coordinator sets it.
- STOP immediately and withdraw if a wall cracks, moves or leans, or if a prop or brace is found disturbed. Barrier it and report to the temporary works coordinator.
- After high winds, the supervisor checks each wall and its restraint before work resumes; the scaffold is used again only once cleared under KD-RA-SC-004.
- Remove props and bracing only when the permanent restraint — floor, roof or straps — is complete and the temporary works coordinator has authorised it on the permit.
- Record wind stand-downs, re-start checks and any wall found damaged in the site diary.

SITE-SPECIFIC AMENDMENTS TO THE SEQUENCE

5 PLANT, EQUIPMENT AND MATERIALS

- Wind speed forecast and site anemometer
- Barriers for exclusion zones
- Props, bracing and sole plates to the temporary works design
- Straps and weights for securing covers
- Restraint straps as the design specifies

INSPECTION / THOROUGH EXAMINATION REFS

COSHH ASSESSMENT REFS

6 PPE — THE LAST LINE OF CONTROL, NOT THE FIRST

- Head protection
- High visibility
- Eye protection
- Safety footwear
- Gloves — task-rated
- Hearing protection

RPE TYPE, FACE-FIT STATUS, AND ANY OTHER PPE REQUIRED

7 PERMITS REQUIRED BEFORE THIS WORK STARTS

A permit authorises this work in that place, on that day. It extends the safe system of work in this document — it does not replace it (HSE HSG250). The site issues the permit; record its number before work starts.

**KD-PTW-TL-022 — Permit to Load and Strike — Temporary Works**  
Where temporary props or bracing to free-standing masonry are removed.

PERMIT NUMBER

**KD-PTW-WH-006 — Work at Height Permit**  
Where the site requires a permit for work from the scaffold.

PERMIT NUMBER

8 EMERGENCY ARRANGEMENTS — COMPLETE FOR THIS SITE

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| FIRST AIDER AND LOCATION | NEAREST A&E                         | ASSEMBLY POINT                 |
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| HOW THE ALARM IS RAISED  | EMERGENCY ACCESS FOR THIS WORK AREA | SPILL / ENVIRONMENTAL RESPONSE |
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9 BRIEFING RECORD — EVERYONE WORKING UNDER THIS RAMS SIGNS BEFORE STARTING

By signing you confirm the contents of this RAMS have been explained to you, you understand the hazards and controls, and you will work to the sequence stated. Tell the supervisor if the work or the site does not match this document — work stops until it does.

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10 PREPARED AND ACCEPTED

Prepared / adapted for this site by — I confirm I have adapted this document to the site, scored the risks, and that it describes how the work will actually be done.

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Accepted for the site by — principal contractor or site manager review.

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Review this RAMS if the work, the site or the law changes, and at least before each new phase of the works. Flatten the completed PDF before filing so the record cannot be silently edited.

R REVISION HISTORY

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