

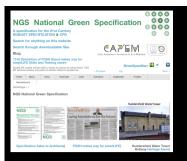




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# GBSJA90 Performance Specification

**NGS** Preliminaries section & Appendix







What is it?

- It starts with a Briefing Document for the design team
- Employer's Requirements in D&B
- Performance Spec in any situation

   In front of a prescriptive specification
- Or a completion of design requirement with CDP Contractor's Design Portion
- Or a spec clause sub-item
  - Fire door to BS 476: Part 20-23: FR30S







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# **Use with CDP**

- Contractor's Design Portion
- Where the Contractor is required to complete the design
- D&B (+reality = B&D) or DMC contracts
- PFI, PPP and BOOT
- Other contracts:
  - Other procurement routes
  - Usually somebody concocted a hybrid



# What is the approach?

- Here is a proposal from the designer:
  - It is fully designed, it works
    - Tender for this

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- But if you want to tender for another method design it fully and submit it as an alternative tender
- It is partially designed
  - It needs completing in these respects: .....
  - Complete the design and build it
  - Tender for all of this







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 QS or PM thinks the Tenderer can provide the building cheaper

Offer Tenderer room for competition

- Programme too tight
  - Demands overlap between design and construction
- **Designers acknowledge limits to their** knowledge and skills
  - Contractor's specialist skills brought to bare on project







# For what? Structures

- Steel frame:
  - connections and fasteners
  - Reclaimed steel:
    - section upper and lower dimension
    - & Iyy Ryy requirements
  - Fire performance: encased or painted
- Concrete: recipe could require low carbon
- Thermal breaks at external envelope
- Partial or total structural design
- Pile driving: until supporting capacity is met







# For what? Elements

- Curtain walling and cladding systems
- Fixings, fastenings wall ties and accessories
- Balustrades and stairs
- Suspended ceilings
  - Restraining Partition heads
  - Congested ceiling voids
- Platform floors
  - Supporting partitions & Floor loadings
- Fire doors Resistance periods
- Roof waterproofing







**For what? Services** 

- Usually all of the Services on projects
  - M&E, PH
  - Lifts and Escalators
- Quite often inappropriately e.g. domestic
- M&E Interfaces in constructed elements
  - Smoke vent installations
  - Active solar controls
  - Access and Cleaning gantries
  - Door Ironmongery with Fire system interfaces

# For what: Performance

- Fire, Structure
- Wind, dead and live loads
- Weather resistance
- Thermal, Acoustic,
- Lightning protection
- Design life and durability
- Reliability? Yes in services
- Quality? Difficult unless by example

## **Performance Spec Risks:**

- Lack of skill in setting requirements
- Lack of understanding by any party
- Lack of attention at tender evaluation
- Reduction in design requirement in tender negotiations
- Lack of policing in design development
- Lack of testing to prove compliance





# What might it contain?

Performance requirements for building

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- Performance requirements for project
  - Sector requirements for building types
  - Environmental Compliance requirements
- Performance requirements for assemblies
- Assembly Descriptions and component parts
- T&CP Outline Spec to be adhered to
- Client/Designer/Constructor preferred materials/products
- Manufacturers detailed specifications



- Contractor selects subcontractors
- Manufacturing capability
- Equipment availability
- Size and capacity limitations
- Sequence of assembly
- Specialist skills and know-how

# **Buildability: Risks**

- Lack of skills and know-how
- Unknown suppliers past performance
- Mismatch of requirements to specialist



- Existing Supply Chain Relationships
- Familiar Products
- Existing discount rates
- Completion at all levels of supply chain

# **Risks:**

- Poor quality or cheap goods
- Not 'Or equivalent'
- Poor environmental choices
- Poor supply chain management
- Poor subcontractor performance

#### How does it work with other documents

- Planning Drawings and Outline Specification
- Room Data Sheets
  - Furniture schedules
- Schedules of specific individual assemblies
  - Doors, Windows, Ironmongery, Finishes,
- D&B Working Drawings (Performance?)
- Bill of Quants: unusual
  - Schedule of Rates more common
  - Schedule of Rates to control variations
- Lists of samples and prototypes
- Test and mock-ups
  - On and off site







Drawings:

- Performance Drawings: not prescriptive
- Structure and peripheral construction
- Outer & inner face profiles and joint layouts and surface materials
- Transparent: inner and outer faces
- Penetrations and interfaces
- DPC/DPM GPM VB BM ATL in principal
- Performance Requirements?







How is it used?

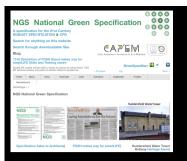
- Set it in context
- Set the ground rules
- Educate the contractor on his obligations and opportunities
- Educate the Contract Administrator in his obligations and opportunities
- Proactively Contract Administer

# **Contractor's Submissions**

- Out to tender Performance Specification asks for:
- Tender Prescriptive Specification for Tender assessment
- Construction Specification adds detail
   and workmanship
- As Built Specification shows what actually got built

# **Other Contractor's Submissions**

- Method Statement
- Programme showing sequencing
- H&S Data Sheets
- Substitution comparisons
- Product Literature
- Declaration of Conformity
- Declaration on Excluded Materials
- Manufacturer's Conformation
- Enquiries on Specification







**Risks?** 

- Specification Substitution with or without the knowledge of the design team or Contract Administrator
- Equivalency not verified
- Novated designers handcuffed, blindfolded and chaperoned
  - Unless whistle blower clause added
- Reduction in standards negotiated on cost alone

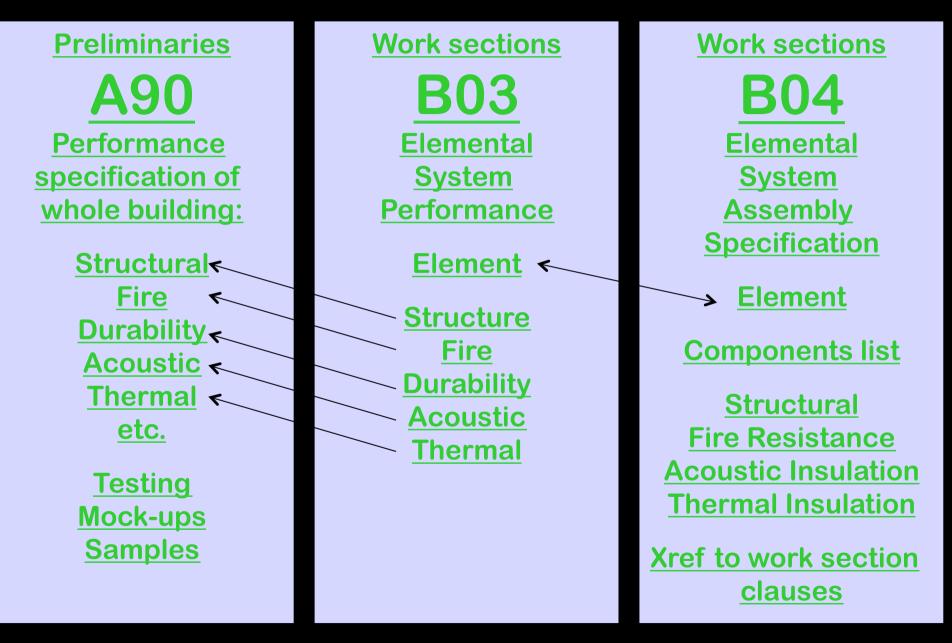
# **Other Sus/Env Documents**

- All the documents produced for Planning Permission
- Transfer commitments into contract
- EIA Env Impact Assessment
- Use with EcoHomes, BREEAM, NEET, etc.
- Set Criteria for success
- Tool to ensure compliance is realised

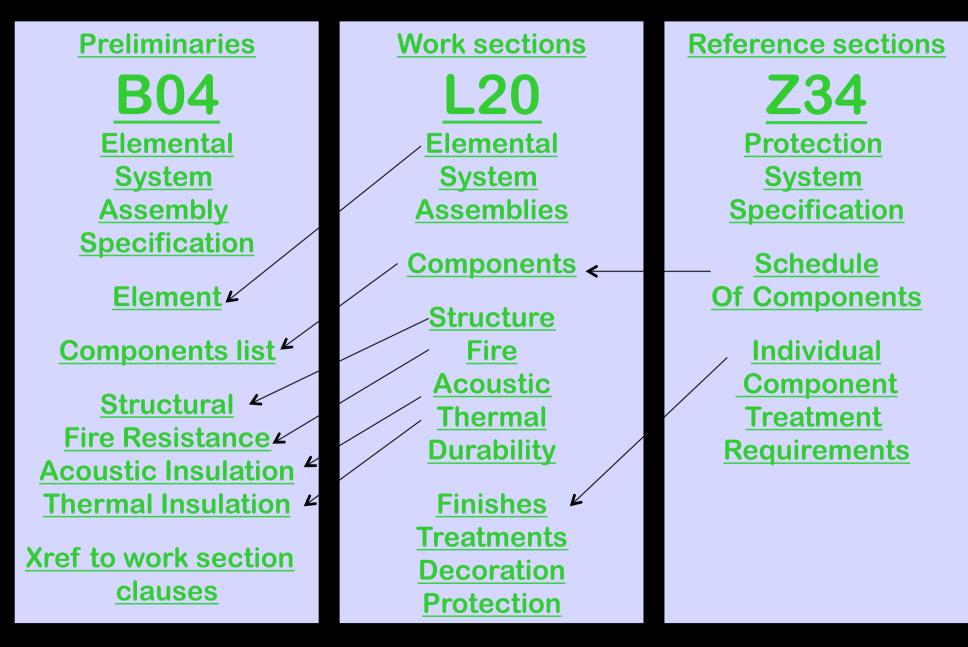
# **Performance Specification Parts**

Preliminaries A90 Performance specification of whole building Testing Mock-ups	Work sections B03 Elemental Assembly System Performance	Work sections B04 Elemental Assembly System Specification	Work sections B05 Services System Performance
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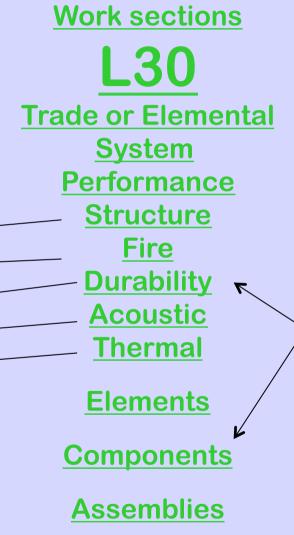


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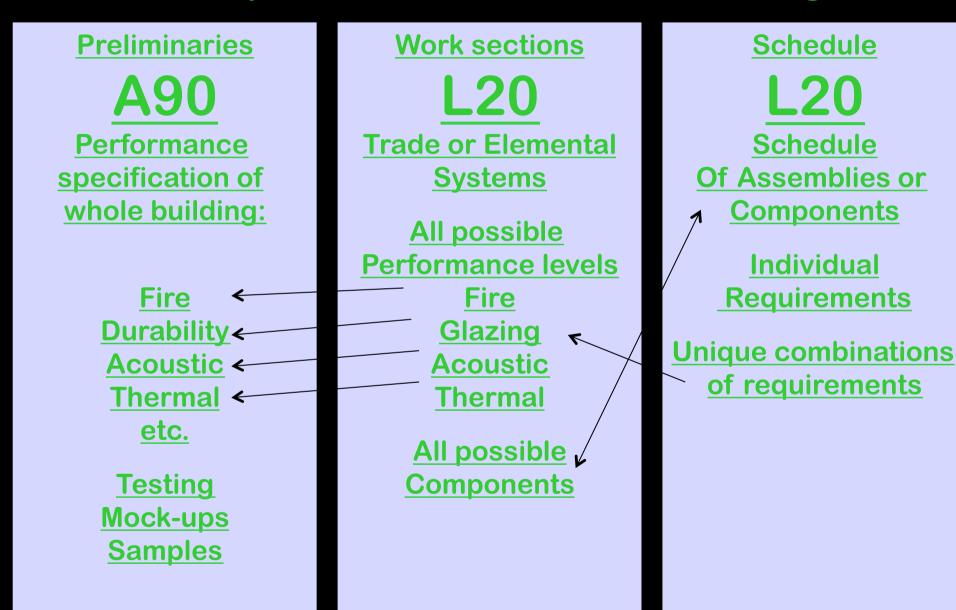


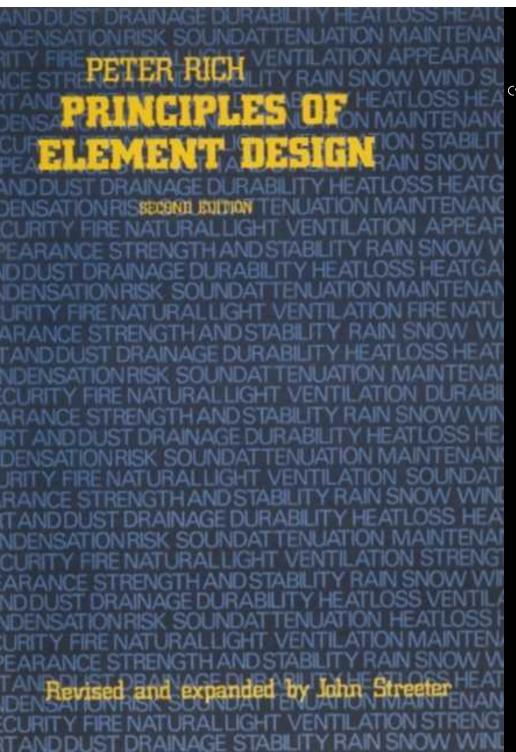
Z34 <u>Protection</u> <u>System</u> <u>Specification</u> <u>Schedule</u> <u>Of Components</u>

**Reference sections** 

Individual Component Treatment Requirements

#### **Simpler inter-connectivity**









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# **Performance Spec <> Drawings**

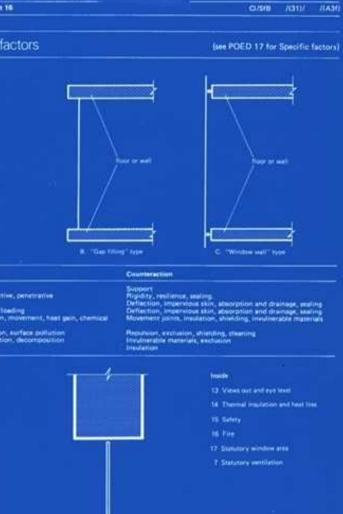
- Consider the differences between: Performance v Prescriptive Spec.
- Translate that into:
- Performance v Prescriptive Drawings
- Can you do Performance Drawings?
- What will they look like?

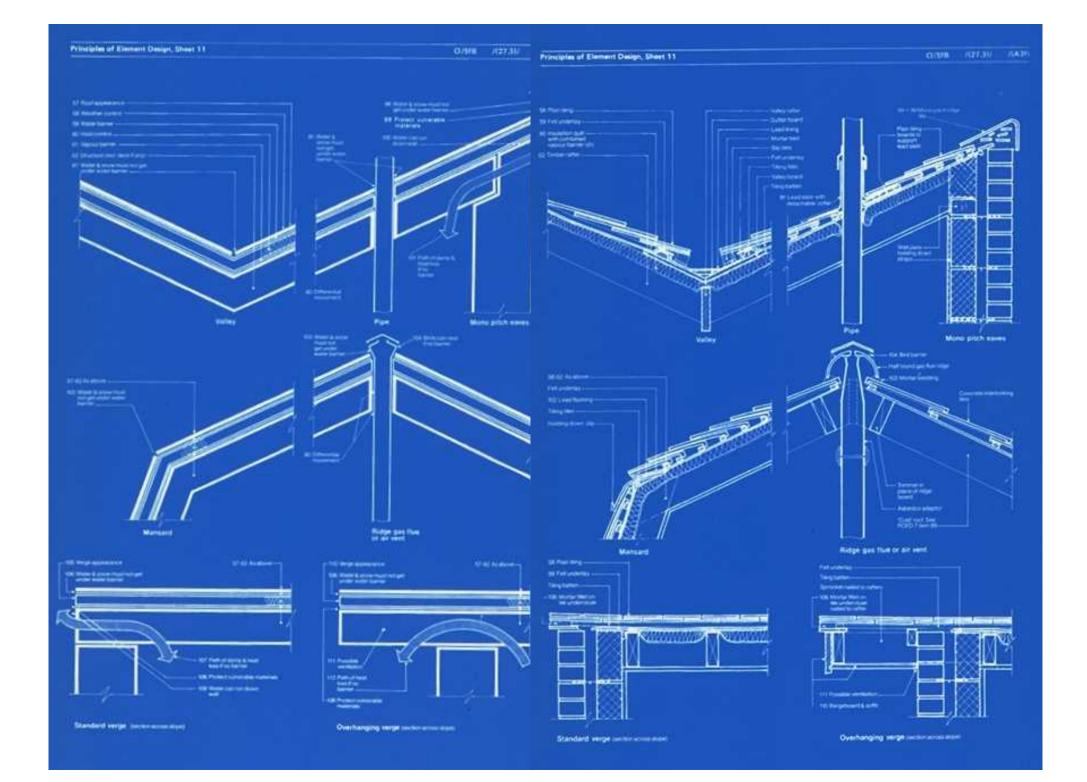
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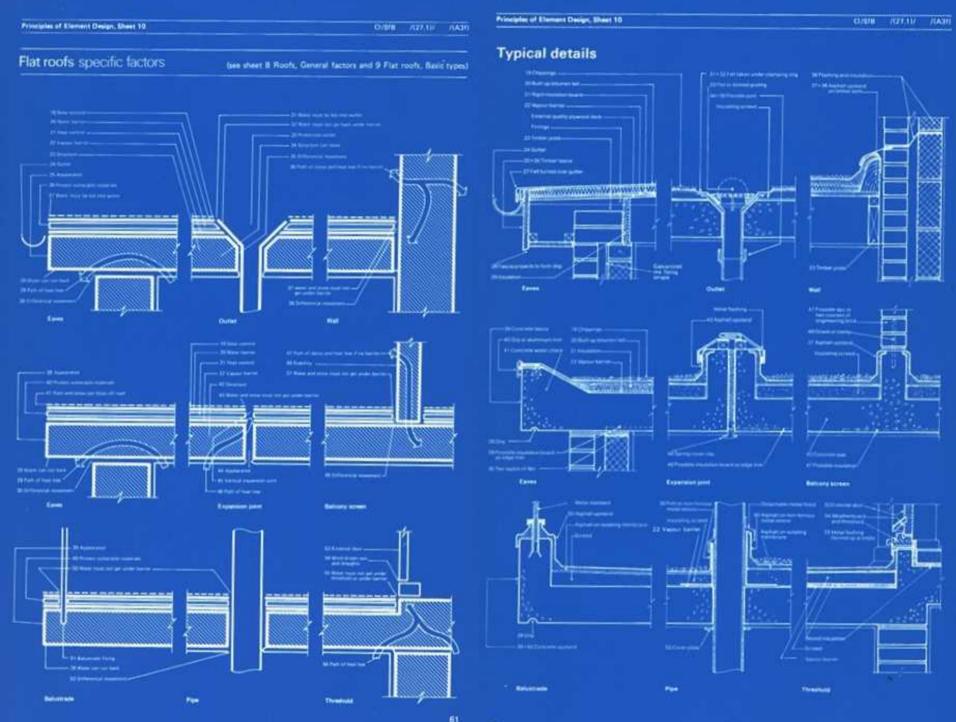
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- With or without Prescriptive
   Specification clauses
- M&W Spec with Performance front end

# **Performance Specification**

- Need to state requirements
- Need to state performance levels
- A90 Performance Specification exists for Violet construction (undergoing changes)
- GBS DETR Pil fund application to Green up A90 passed first hurdle but fell at the next.

# EACD Enquiries About Contract Documents

- Does the Contractor understand the Specification?
- If not declare before progressing
  - Using pro-forma
- Engage consultant who do understand
- Or let specifier educate them

# SoMR Statement of Manufacturers Review

- To protect Architects from themselves
- Ask the manufacturers to review
   proposals and confirm or otherwise:
- they comply with their:

 Recommendations, Requirements,
 Agrement Certificates, Products designed functions, specification, method statements

# **DofC Declaration of Conformity**

- BS EN 45014:1998:General Criteria for supplier's declaration of conformity
- Appendix to specification
- Contractor's Director signs to declare products used meet specification
- Need standards or specification to declare against
- Can enforce FSC, ZODP, CFC-Free, etc.

# **DoEM Declaration of Excluded Materials**

- Appendix to specification
- Contractor's Director signs to declare none are used in project
- Need a list of excluded materials to declare against
- GBS has started that list from many sources: EWC, CHIP, COSHH, CDM, etc.

### **Deleterious materials lists**

- Despite CIRIA/ARUP report
- They still persist for all the wrong reasons
- Green Construction is justification for lists
- Most of the materials to be removed for health and environment are permitted in violet construction

### **Excluded materials lists**

- Whilst HSE publish MEL Maximum exposure limits and OEL occupational exposure limits
  - HSE Guidance Note EH40
  - mistakes are made e.g. BSE
- Greenies err on caution
  - MEL and OEL = Zero
- e.g. PVC, CCA, Formaldehyde, Solvents in paints

# DoRR Declaration of REACH Requirements

- 0.1% of listed ingredients is threshold for notifying purchasers of contents.
- GBS has started that list from many sources:
- Lists include:
- RoHS, REACH, SVHC, SIN-List, etc.