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Thermal separation of steel structures

Steel structures are a well established component of modern architecture. As an elegant, transparent construction they offer excellent opportunities when combined with other materials such as glass, concrete or wood and provide the building with a certain lightness, predominantly in industrial and residential construction. Steel structures frequently impress through their flexibility of use and column-free zones, creating spacious and impressive large span areas.

Where steel construction is concerned, particular attention needs to be paid in the detailing of components that penetrate through the exterior shell of a building. With conventional construction methods, thermal bridges are created at the transition from the building to the projecting component. These lead to increased energy consumption, risk of condensation formation and the associated growth of mould. Thermal bridges impair, not only the quality and value of the building, but also the room climate.

According to current building regulations, thermal bridges should be reduced. The Egcobox[®] FST offers the ideal solution for the thermal isolation of steel structures without restricting the structural effectiveness of the support system.

Features of the Egcobox® FST

- reduced thermal bridging
- high structural functionality and corrosion resistance
- CE marking according to EN 1090
- type tested
- tailored manufacturing specific to connection and project
- insulation: polystyrene (standard) or rock wool on request (A1)





Egcobox[®] FST composition

The Egcobox[®] FST is manufactured to precisely fit the specific project on the basis of the existing installation geometry and the structural requirements.

With the Egcobox[®] FST, distinction is made between components for tensile force stresses as well as normal or

shear force stresses. A component consists of threaded rods, with a diameter of 16 mm or 22 mm, arranged in pairs.

Thanks to the customized manufacturing process, onsite modification or assembly of the Egcobox[®] FST is unnecessary.

Egcobox[®] FST type determination



The type designation does not provide information about the dimensions of the Egcobox[®] FST. The Egcobox[®] FST is adapted in the factory to the existing installation geometry. The data required for the manufacture can be easily created with the help of the design forms (see pages 10/11).

Example 1: Egcobox[®] type FST16–1/1 or FST22–1/1



consisting of: 1x FZST16 component or 1x FZST22 component and

1x FVST16 component or 1x FVST22 component

Only threaded rods of the same diameter (Ø16 or Ø22) may be used in one Egcobox® FST.

Example 2: Egcobox[®] type FST16–0/2 or FST22–0/2



consisting of: 2x FVST16 component or 2x FVST22 component

Thermal insulation

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Apart from the legal regulations, the owners' demands on thermal insulation are also continually increasing. The focus here is not just on environmental protection and the saving of heating costs, but also on a healthy room climate and thus on the prevention of condensation and the formation of mould.

By means of the thermal separation of steel structures, the Egcobox[®] FST reduces thermal bridges and fulfils the requirements according to DIN 4108 supplementary sheet 2. The Egcobox[®] FST makes general considerations in the thermal calculation achievable.

Thermal bridges – comparison

The detailed thermal bridge verification clearly shows the improvement due to the use of the Egcobox[®] FST in comparison with continuous beams.

Steel structure	Continuous steel beam HEA 220	Egcobox [®] FST16-1/1	Egcobox [®] FST22-1/1		
Temperature factor f _{rsi}	0.45	0.83	0.78		
Indoor surface temperature $\Theta_{\text{si,min}}[^{\circ}C]$	6.2	15.7	14.5		
Point thermal transmittance X [W/K]	0.86	0.24	0.32		





Fire protection

If there are requirements for fire protection, the entire steel structure, including the Egcobox[®] FST, must be protected against the effects of fire. In terms of planning, the same fire protection measures that are necessary for the entire steel support structure must also be taken into account for the Egcobox[®] FST.

In the standard version, the Egcobox[®] FST is manufactured with polystyrene as the insulating material. At the customer's request, however, the Egcobox[®] FST can be manufactured completely from components of building material class A1 according to EN 13501 (rock wool insulation). The use of alternative insulation material rock wool depends on the geometry of the connection and should be checked according to project requirements by MAX FRANK.

Fire protection measures are not implemented in the factory and must therefore be carried out on site. The responsible specialist planner carries out the planning and ensures that the fire protection requirements are met.

Fire protection variants

- Cladding with fire protection plates (A)
 The entire structure, including the Egcobox[®] FST, is to be clad on site on all sides with fire protection plates.
- Fire protection through coating (B)

The entire steel structure including the protruding threaded rods and nuts are to be provided with a fire protection coating. The insulation level of the Egcobox[®] FST must additionally be protected all round by fire protection plates.







Movement joints

Components in the steel support structures are to be designed so that the deformations that occur do not impair the stability.

Structural damage often occurs as a result of inadequate detailed planning. Amongst other things, different temperature expansions can lead to stresses in the steel structure. The maximum distance between Egcobox[®] FST elements that are not interrupted by a movement joint must therefore be limited to 6.0 m.



Deformation / rotation

Through the use of an Egcobox[®] FST, a cantilever beam, for example, is interrupted or the steel cross-section is reduced in the joint area. A different rigidity must be applied for the Egcobox[®] FST than for the steel beam. On account of the moment action with cantilever beams, the associated torsion from the Egcobox[®] FST is to be taken into account. The rotation of the Egcobox[®] FST can be stated with:

φ [rad]	Rotation angle / kink angle
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- M_{y,k} [kN*cm] Characteristic moment
- c [kN*cm/rad] Rotation rigidity
- z [cm] Lever arm
- n [pc.] Number of threaded rods per connection

Torsion spring stiffness per threaded rod c [kN*cm/rad]

Egcobox [®] FST16	Egcobox [®] FST22
c = n * 1/2 * 1779.33 * z ²	c = n * 1/2 * 3030 * z ²

The following factors must be considered when assessing the rotation:

- Only the torsion spring stiffness is calculated, the vertical spring can be neglected.
- The end plate is regarded as infinitely rigid.
- Deformations can additionally occur in the adjoining structures.
- Torsional forces cannot be absorbed by the individual Egcobox[®]
 FST components and must therefore be compensated by the complete structure.

Fixing information

The following tightening torques are recommended to secure the steel connection:

Egcobox [®] FST16	Egcobox [®] FST22					
50 Nm	80 Nm					

The threaded rods must subsequently be caulked. Further notes on installation on page 12.









Boundary conditions: Minimum thickness of Egcobox® FST end plate

Geometrical boundary conditions need to be observed in the planning of the Egcobox® FST. These include minimum distances between the components for tensile or normal and shear force stresses as well as the minimum thicknesses

of the on-site end plates. In addition, only the use of the threaded rods with the same diameters (ø16 or ø22), as well as a symmetrical layout of the components, is permitted.



* The edge distance is related to the minimum size of the insulation of the Egcobox® FST. The complete size may differ from this.

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					4/4		0/8				4/4		0/8	
						Bound	lary co	nditions	s – com	ponent	layout			
Distance to the the steel beam	flange of	b		:	25 ≤ b ≤	: 35 mm ²)		$30 \le b \le 50 \text{ mm}^{2}$					
minimum lever	arm:	z		≥ 55 I	mm 1)		≥ 65	mm 1)		\geq 55 mm ¹⁾ \geq 65 mm				
with 2-row layo	out	Z ₁		≥ 40 i	mm 1)		≥ 65	mm ¹⁾		≥ 40 mm ¹⁾				5 mm 1)
with 2-row layc	out	Z ₂		≥ 65 i	mm 1)		≥ 65	mm 1)	≥ 65 mm ¹)				≥ 65	5 mm 1)
						М	inimum	width of	the end	l plates	(w)			
		w			≥ 16	0 mm					≥ 20	00 mm		
						Mini	mum th	ickness	of the e	nd plate	s (t) 4)			
	≤ 1.00	t	≥ 29 r	\geq 29 mm (grade S235) \geq 24 mm (grade S355) \geq 45 mm (grade S235) \geq 36 mm (grade S3							S355)			
	≤ 0,75	t	≥ 25 r	mm (grad	de S235) ≥ 20 mn	n (grade	S355)	≥ 39	mm (gra	de S235) ≥ 32 mn	n (grade	S355)
$N_{x,Ed}^{}/N_{X,Rd}^{}^{3)}$	≤ 0,60	t	≥ 22 r	mm (grad	de S235) ≥ 18 mn	n (grade	S355)	≥ 35	mm (gra	de S235) ≥ 28 mr	n (grade	S355)
	≤ 0,45	t	≥ 19 r	mm (grad	de S235) ≥ 16 mn	n (grade	S355)	≥ 30	mm (gra	de S235) ≥ 24 mr	n (grade	S355)
	≤ 0,25	t	≥ 15 r	mm (grad	de S235) ≥ 12 mn	n (grade	S355)	≥ 22	mm (gra	de S235) ≥ 18 mn	n (grade	S355)

The end plates are to be manufactured with a nominal hole clearance of Δ 2 mm

1) Maintaining the distance to the flange of the steel beam (b)

2) A greater distance between the threaded rods of the Egoobox® FST and the flange constitutes a deviation from the type test. In this case the end plate must be separately verified by the structural engineer.

3) Tensile force of the threaded rod that is under the highest stress.

4) The minimum thickness of the end plate (t) is determined on the basis of the minimum width of the end plate (w), maintaining the distance to the flange of the steel beam (b) without more precise verification.





Type overview





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Ø 16 mm 🗌	Ø 22 r	nm 🗌		Polysty	rene 🗌	Rock wool		
		h	h,	h ₂	b	b,	b ₂	
Selected	[mm]							
Dimensions polystyrene	[mm]	≥ 60	≥ 30	≥ 30	≥ 180	≥ 40	≥ 40	
Dimensions rock wool	[mm]	≥ 80	≥ 40	≥ 40	≥ 200	≥ 50	≥ 50	

..... Quantity

Egcobox [®] FST-1/1	Ø 16 mm 🗌	Ø 22 r	nm 🗌	Polystyrene			Rock wool	
			h	h,	h ₂	b	b,	b ₂
	Selected	[mm]						
	Dimensions polystyrene	[mm]	≥ 125	≥ 30	≥ 40	≥ 180	≥ 40	≥ 40
	Dimensions rock wool	[mm]	≥ 145	≥ 40	≥ 50	≥ 200	≥ 50	≥ 50
$b_{1}b_{2}$			z	_				
<u>* p</u> *	Selected	[mm]						
	Dimensions polystyrene	[mm]	≥ 55	-				
	Dimensions rock wool	[mm]	≥ 55	-				Quantity

Egcobox [®] FST-2/2	Ø 16 mm 🗌	Ø 22 r	22 mm 🗌 Polysty			rene 🗌		Rock wool
			h	h,	h ₂	b	b,	b ₂
	Selected	[mm]						
	Dimensions polystyrene	[mm]	≥ 230	≥ 30	≥ 40	≥ 180	≥ 40	≥ 40
	Dimensions rock wool	[mm]	≥ 270	≥ 40	≥ 50	≥ 200	≥ 50	≥ 50
			z	Z ₁	Z 2			
$\begin{array}{c} \bullet \\ \bullet $	Selected	[mm]						
	Dimensions polystyrene	[mm]	≥ 55	≥ 40	≥ 65	•		
	Dimensions rock wool	[mm]	≥ 75	≥ 40	≥ 65			Quantity

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Selected	[mm]							
Dimensions polystyrene	[mm]	≥ 230	≥ 30	≥ 40	≥ 340	≥ 40	≥ 40	≥ 60
Dimensions rock wool	[mm]	≥ 270	≥ 40	≥ 50	≥ 380	≥ 50	≥ 50	≥ 80
		z	z ₁	z ₂				
Selected	[mm]							
Dimensions polystyrene	[mm]	≥ 55	≥ 40	≥ 65				
Dimensions rock wool	[mm]	≥ 75	≥ 40	≥ 65			0	Quantity

Pay attention to the maximum axis distances between the components and the steel beam flange as well as the recommended end plate thicknesses (see page 8) Custom solutions can be created in cooperation with the support of our technical advice.



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Selected	[mm]							
Dimensions polystyrene	[mm]	≥ 80	≥ 40	≥ 40	≥ 180	≥ 40	≥ 40	
Dimensions rock wool	[mm]	≥ 100	≥ 50	≥ 50	≥ 200	≥ 50	≥ 50	

..... Quantity

Egcobox [®] FST-0/2	Ø 16 mm 🗌 Ø 2		nm 🗌	Polystyrene			Rock wool		
			h	h,	h ₂	b	b,	b ₂	
	Selected	[mm]							
	Dimensions polystyrene	[mm]	≥ 145	≥ 40	≥ 40	≥ 180	≥ 40	≥ 40	
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			z						
<u>* p</u> *	Selected	[mm]		-					
	Dimensions polystyrene	[mm]	≥ 65	-					
	Dimensions rock wool	[mm]	≥ 65	-				Q	uantity

Egcobox [®] FST-0/4	Ø 16 mm 🗌	Ø 22 n	nm 🗌		Polystyrene			Rock wool
			h	h,	h ₂	b	b,	b ₂
	Selected	[mm]						
	Dimensions polystyrene	[mm]	≥ 275	≥ 40	≥ 40	≥ 180	≥ 40	≥ 40
N L	Dimensions rock wool	[mm]	≥ 315	≥ 50	≥ 50	≥ 200	≥ 50	≥ 50
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	Selected	[mm]						
	Dimensions polystyrene	[mm]	≥ 65	≥ 65	≥ 65	-		
	Dimensions rock wool	[mm]	≥ 85	≥ 65	≥ 65	-		Quantity

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Selected	[mm]							
Dimensions polystyrene	[mm]	≥ 275	≥ 40	≥ 40	≥ 340	≥ 40	≥ 40	≥ 60
Dimensions rock wool	[mm]	≥ 315	≥ 50	≥ 50	≥ 380	≥ 50	≥ 50	≥ 80
		z	z,	z 2				
Selected	[mm]							
Dimensions polystyrene	[mm]	≥ 65	≥ 65	≥ 65	•			
Dimensions rock wool	[mm]	≥ 85	≥ 65	≥ 65			(Quantity

Pay attention to the maximum axis distances between the components and the steel beam flange as well as the recommended end plate thicknesses (see page 8) Custom solutions can be created in cooperation with the support of our technical advice.



These installation instructions can only be regarded as a recommendation. They are no substitute for the specialised knowledge required for the installation. The instructions are always maintained to the latest state of the art and are constantly updated. We therefore expressly reserve the right to make technical changes, even without prior notice to the customer. The respectively valid version can be found on our website: **www.maxfrank.com.** In addition, our General Terms and Conditions of Sale apply.



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