

A gap of **5mm** should be left between the decking and any walls or existing structures.

Any overhang must be at a maximum of **30mm**.

Locking Clips must be fixed on each joist at maximum **600mm** centre to centre.

For water drainage, the height of the decking must fall **12.5mm** for every **1000mm** length. Always pitch down the length of the boards away from any buildings or structures.

A gap of **2mm** must be left between abutted board.  
A gap of **5mm** must be left between parallel boards.

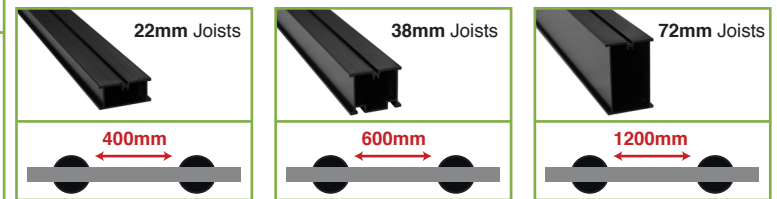


Abutted boards must be supported by double joists

All main joists within the subframe must be set at a maximum of **600mm** apart, centre to centre. This applies to both timber and aluminium substructures.

All joins must be supported by a pedestal or joist foot.

Pedestals must be set at a maximum distance depending on the size of the joist:



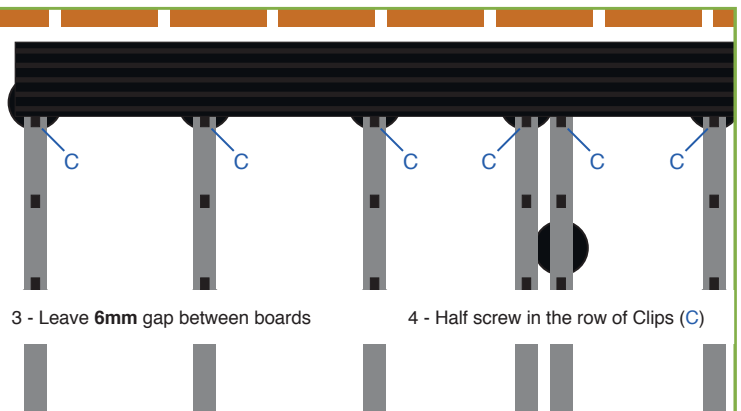
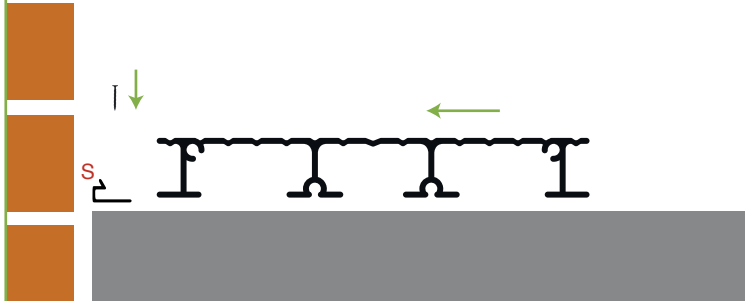
All horizontal joist spans and pedestals must not exceed **600mm** centre to centre

Prepare the groundwork prior to commencing the fit. Building regulations and Builddeck recommend the finished decking surface has a drainage gradient of 1 in 80 (1.25%) to allow for water to "run off" freely.

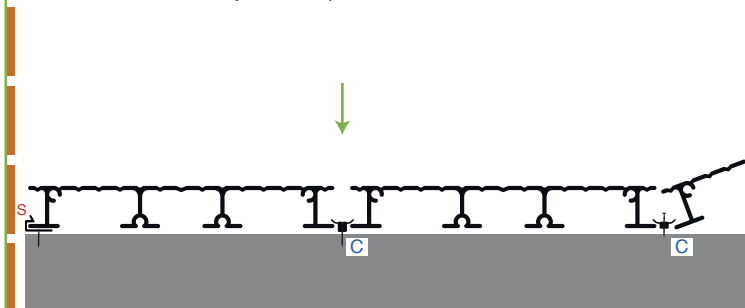
Lay your Joists **600mm** centre to centre, running the opposite way to the intended direction of the Deck Boards. Make sure to leave a **5mm** gap between any walls / fencing / immovable objects such as fixed planters, to allow for possible expansion.

Ensure cross ventilation is allowed around and under the decking.

- 1 - Affix Starter Clips (S) for required board length, one per **600mm** joist
- 2 - Lock first decking board into the Clip (S)



- 5 - Fully tighten the first row of Clips (C) only once the second row have been loosely fixed into place



- 6 - Upon reaching the final board, push down into pre-fixed Starter Clips (S) using a rubber mallet if required, then secure the loosely fixed Clips (C)

