

NOISE REDUCING INSULATION WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

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Noise pollution costs Europe **£24Bn** every year in lost productivity, health costs and impaired learning. So architects, developers and homeowners are increasingly turning to insulation to protect occupants from noise pollution.

The building regulations specify that insulation should be used to block out noise in external walls and separating elements. But did you know that there is a powerful business case for adding soundabsorbing insulation to internal partitions too?

It can cost as little as **£30** extra to turn a typical three-bedroom semi-detached house into a true 'family-ready' home by adding acoustic mineral wool insulation to an internal partition. That's a small cost that can make a massive difference.

WHY MINERAL WOOL?

Mineral wool insulation offers a unique combination of thermal, fire and acoustic performance.

In addition to its thermal and fire benefits, it is the perfect solution for noise reduction due to its unique fibre matrix. Sound waves become trapped within the fibres, converting them into heat energy, meaning less sound energy passes through increasing the amount of sound reduction.



ROOM IN ROOF RAFTERS

To reduce noise from outside e.g. rain. Recommended product Earthwool Rafter Roll

FLAT ROOF

To reduce noise from outside e.g. vehicles. Recommended product Rocksilk Krimpact Flat Roof Slab

INTERNAL WALL

For illustrative purposes only

To reduce noise from other rooms e.g. domestic appliances.

Earthwool Acoustic Roll or

Recommended product

Earthwool OmniFit Slab

TIMBER FRAME WALLS (BUILT-IN)

To reduce noise through external walls.

Earthwool FrameTherm Rolls or Slabs

INTERNAL FLOOR

To reduce noise between levels e.g. children playing. Recommended product

Earthwool Acoustic Roll

The regulations you need to follow:

Homes:

- England and Wales Building Regulations Approved Document E.
- Scotland Section 5 of the Technical Handbook.
- Northern Ireland Technical Booklet G.
- Republic of Ireland Technical Guidance Document E.

Schools:

- England, Wales and Northern Ireland Building Bulletin 93.
- Scotland BB93 typically consulted, although not referenced in Technical Handbook.
- Ireland Technical Guidance Document TGD-021-5.
- School Premises Regulations, Independent School Standards and the Equality Act may also be consulted.

Hospitals:

- England and Wales Health Technical Memorandum 08-01.
- Scotland Scottish Health Technical Memorandum 08-01.
- Ireland and Northern Ireland n/a.

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