

Dubai Investment Park United Arab Emirates

AceWall™

Injection-Moulded Full-Height Wall Panels

A development of AceWall International Pty Ltd Adelaide, South Australia

AceWall[™]

AceWall[™] is a fibre-reinforced, water-resistant, gypsum-based, nonload-bearing wall panel, designed for external and internal applications within modern residential, commercial and industrial lowrise and high-rise developments. The product is set to revolutionize the construction industry due to its low product and installation cost, rapid installation, high strength-to-weight ratio, advanced sound/thermal/fire performance and strong eco-friendly characteristics

Advantages

• Product:

- Light Weight
- Low Cost
- Rapid Installation
- High Quality Finish (smooth, flat, crack-free)
- High Resistance (thermal, sound, fire, earthquake, termite, water)
- Low Carbon Footprint (low embodied energy, abundant natural materials)
- Recyclable (re-calcination)

• Factory:

- High capacity (one panel per minute)
- High energy and materiel efficiency
- Advanced computerized, automated operation
- Modular (expandable, re-locatable close to major development sites)
- Eco-friendly

Materials

- Gypsum (Beta quality)*
- Water
- Fibre-glass (short fibre)
- Waterproofing Agent
- Retarder
- Activator
- Optional Infill (e.g. concrete, perlite)
- * Can be obtained by calcination of industrial waste materiel such as "flue gas" or "phospho" gypsum

AceWall[™] Panels

- Pre-fabricated non load-bearing
- Hollow section (filled or unfilled options)
- Precision moulded construction
- Fibre-reinforced water-resistant gypsum
- Advanced perlite infill option
- Dimensions
 - Height 2.1 m to 3.6 m
 - Width 60 cm
 - Thickness 12 cm
- Nominal Weight
 - 38 Kg per sq.m. (unfilled)
 - 45 Kg per sq.m. (e.g. perlite infill)



AceWall[™] Panels

- Precision cut to tight tolerance
- Rapid installation
 - 250 sq.m. per 8 hour shift
 - 7 installers
- Tongue and groove joints
 - Integral spacing control
 - Plaster adhesive in joints
 - Flush finishing
 - High quality finish
- No rendering required External: Ready for texture coating Internal: Ready for painting or tiling



AceWall[™] Panel Section Detail

All dimensions in mm



AceWall[™] Panel - Performance

Characteristic	Single Partition Wall Unfilled		
Thermal Insulation (ASTM C518-4)	Resistance	0.245 m ² .K/W	
	Conductivity	0.489 W/m.K	
Sound Insulation (AS 1191)	Sound Rating	Rw – 31	
Fire Resistance (AS 1530.4)	Insulation	134 mins	
	Integrity	134 mins	
	Adequacy	142 mins	

AceWall[™] Panel – Performance (Cont´d)

Property	Single Partition Wall Unfilled
Uni-Axial Compressive Strength	100 kN/m
Uni-Axial Tensile Strength	28.8 kN/m
Water Absorption	< 5% by weight after 24 hour immersion
Mohr Hardness	1.6

AceWall[™] Panel - Physical

Parameter	Single Partition Wall Unfilled	
Width	0.60 m	
Height	2.40 m to 3.60 m	
Thickness	0.12 m	
Tolerance	± 0.5 mm	
Weight per sq.m.	38.0 Kg	
Panel weight (3 m height)	68.40 Kg	
Cavity cores per panel	2	
Cavity volume per panel (3 m height)	0.151 m3 (151 litres)	
Cavity volume per sq.m.	0.084 m3 (84 litres)	
Drying shrinkage	None	

Strength Test (Demonstration at Dubai Festival City, 2008)

Practical test to demonstrate the strength of the panel:

- Steel bar fixed to an installed demonstration wall
- Fixings 4 x 6mm fixing screws (HILTI screw locking devices)
- Man weighing 85 Kg successfully supported

Note:

The panel is capable of supporting the weight of a standard TV, central heating or air conditioning units, but will not support heavy wall-mounted bathroom fixtures (e.g. toilet, bidet, washbasin) unless these are also supported by the floor. If a wall suspension is required the solution is to make a local break in the wall and backfill locally with a concrete mix

AceWall[™] Production Plant

AceWall[™] Factory

(Currently installed in the Dubai Investment Park)

- Precision moulding process
- Computerized operation
- Advanced automation
 - Process control
 - Palletization
 - Process alerts





- Capacity
 - 1 panel per minute
 - 750,000 sq.m. per year
- Environmentally friendly
 - No emissions

AceWall[™] Factory

- Advanced PLC-based automation
- Full built-in fault monitoring and diagnostic management
- Control, monitoring and diagnostics possible via internet-link
- Full chemical and mechanical process control
- Full safety interlocks and sensors
- Designed for 24/7 operations
- Rapid automated production of high quality panels (one per minute)
- Free or forced air convection drying of panels prior to shipment

AceWall[™] Panels (9) - Palletized



Environment

Carbon Emissions

- Kyoto Protocol Carbon Credit mechanism adopted by 170 countries
- Low carbon footprint (embodied energy) of AceWall[™] product due to:
 - *Extraction of raw gypsum materiel (can use industrial waste gypsum products)*
 - Production process, local transportation to site, installation process
 - Full recyclable disposal at the end of useful life (re-calcination)
- Avoidance of brick, cement and concrete produced by burning of fossil fuels
- Brickworks give rise to soil erosion caused by mining of clay
- Gypsum based building materiels now preferred in countries such as China
- AceWall[™] Factory:
 - *Environmentally friendly*
 - Gypsum may be extracted from industrial waste (flue gas or phospho gypsum)
 - No pollution, no water or materiel waste (mould cleaning water recycled)
 - No gas or chemical emissions
 - Low noise level (no ear protection required)
 - No sewerage disposal necessary (other than for workforce and office)

Australia – Energy Consumption

- Upto 10% of Australia's annual energy consumption has been attributed to energy embodied in the construction of residential buildings (includes materials and construction process)
- Estimates suggest that the embodied energy in a current standard residential building construction is equivalent to 15-20 years of occupational energy
- The Australian materials industry accounts for 20% of the national energy budget each year
- Since Australia mostly uses fossil or solid fuel as its energy source there is a direct correlation between Embodied Energy and CO₂ emission
- Embodied Energy is therefore an important component of the life-cycle energy use attributable to residential buildings in Australia
- AceWall[™] has significantly lower Embodied Energy than its counterparts such as concrete, cement and brick

CO₂ Emissions - A Comparison¹

AceWall[™] technology compared to brick veneer as external wall cladding of residential buildings in Australia

Product	Drying	Embodied Energy	CO ₂ Emission
AceWall™	Air Dried	190 MJ/m ²	21.8 Kg/m ²
AceWall™	Drying Room	240 MJ/m ²	25.7 Kg/m ²
Brick Veneer	N/A	555 MJ/m ²	58.4 Kg/m ²

It is estimated that Australia-wide use of AceWall[™] type product instead of brick veneer for external cladding of residential dwellings would result in a saving of 63% of applicable CO₂ emissions

It is further estimated that this saving equates to the total amount of emissions liberated in a year from domestic consumption (heating, cooling and cooking) of all households in South Australia

^{1 –} Data source: Ecologically Sustainable Development: Approaches in the Construction Industry Robert Omahen, Regensburg University, 2002

Market Segments

Internal partition walls

 Internal partition walls for high rise developments, new housing and industrial projects as well as upgrades to existing premises, including offices, factory premises, railway stations, hospitals, schools, airport terminals, etc

External walls for housing and low rise buildings

 Housing and building development projects which traditionally use textured concrete panels or brick veneer for external wall solutions

Feature walls

 The panel has a number of diverse applications such as external border or feature walls for residential and non-residential projects

Product Cost Advantages

- Light Weight (reduced cranage, foundation costs)
- Precise Dimensions (certainty in design and construction tolerances)
- *Reduced Construction Time* (30% of conventional blockwork)
- *Reduced Site Labour* (50% of conventional blockwork)
- Elimination of Rendering (no rendering costs)
- High Strength-to-weight ratio (construction materiel efficiency)
- Reliable Supply (abundant raw materiel)
- Minimal Training (avoids blockwork and rendering skills)
- Reduced Materiel Holding (rapid "delivery to installation" time)
- Reduced Project Management (simplified logistics and skill interaction)
- Carbon Credits (avoidance of penalties for excess carbon emissions)

= Reduced Cost!!