## Dunbrik Mini Clearflow Gas Flue Block System

for traditional and timber frame domestic dwellings

## System Guide





## **Dunbrik Mini Clearflow Gas Flue Block System** General system details and design guidance

#### Gas Fire Recess

Three sizes of recess opening are available to match the size of appliance likely to be fitted. The Red Set usually needs no chimney breast. The larger recess M Set and B Set accept a wider choice of appliances.

The appliance manufacturers' literature states whether their gas appliances are suitable for "pre-cast flues". They include gas fires under 7kW input, including many live fuel effect gas fires, some fires may need the fire manufacturers spacer plate (rebated surround) to create extra depth.

#### Gas Flue Blocks

The flue blocks are made of concrete and comply with British Standard BSEN 1858. The flueway is rectangular 185mm by 90mm giving a flue cross sectional area of 16,650 sq mm. The flue block walls have a minimum thickness of 25mm and are installed with the tongue pointing upwards.

The gas flue blocks are designed for ease of installation. The tongue and socket detail provide a tight concrete-to-concrete internal joint and an external compressive seal using Dunbrik 1581 silicone sealant, allowing approximately 5 joints per cartridge. The bonding nib has a 10mm cut-out to assist coursing with the adjacent blockwork.

#### Flue Offsets (Not required for timber framed houses)

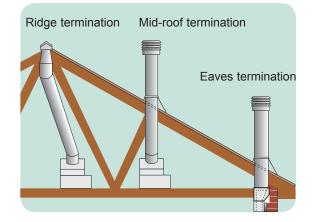
Although the best performance is achieved with a straight flue, lateral offsets can be created using the 3ME lateral offset blocks (with patented internal sweep design). Each 3ME moves the flue across by 95mm to align to the desired outlet or to avoid obstructions such as windows, pad stones, triple joists etc.

We advise that at least three 2M straight gas flue blocks are used above the gather block before any 3ME lateral offset blocks. Offsets should be used as high in the flue run as possible.

#### **Termination options**

Most flue outlets are made to a Dunvent ridge terminal. If the fireplace location or the roof trusses prevent the ridge being reached with flue pipe at no more than 45 degrees to the vertical, termination at the eaves or through the roof slope may be needed. Flue pipe to the terminal must be metal twinwall of 125mm internal diameter to BSEN 1856. Three terminal outlet positions are shown below. Terminals should be at least 1500mm from any higher structure, including horizontally from the underside of the flue terminal to the roof slope, and a minimum of 300mm away from other terminals. Exposed flue pipe over 1 metre high above the roof breakout point should be braced against the wind using rigid angle iron stays attached with an STWGWB bracket clamped to the pipe. Calculations of local wind loading should be made by your structural engineer.

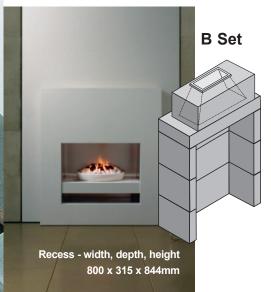
#### Three outlet positions using twinwall flue pipe







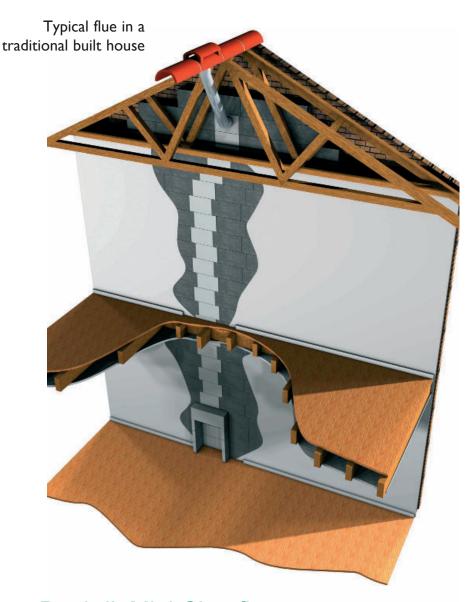
Recess - width, depth, height 450 x 220 x 675mm



Sample fire images supplied by Brilliant Fires

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The Dunbrik Mini Clearflow gas flue block system is a neat efficient method of providing a flue in a new domestic dwelling. Gas fires suitable for "pre-cast flues" may be fitted. The outlet depends upon the house design. It is usually through twinwall flue pipe in the roof space to a ridge vent or to a gas terminal at eaves or through the roof slope.



### Dunbrik Mini Clearflow Gas Flue Block System

The gas flue blocks are built into and bonded with house walling. This can be into the inner leaf blockwork of an external wall, into a party wall or partition wall. In many cases there is no chimney breast intruding into the living area.

The gas flue blocks are designed for ease of installation. The tongue and socket detail provide a tight concrete-to-concrete internal joint and an external compressive seal using special heat resistant sealant. The bonding nib has a 10mm cut-out for mortar jointing with the adjacent blockwork - this assists coursing.

Mini Clea	arflow	- Gas	flue componen	its					
	Code	Neight kg	Overall size mm Width x Depth x Height	Coursing Height mm		Code	Weight kg	Overall size mm Width x Depth x Height	Coursing Height mm
		I			$\frown$	Top		e transfer block	
	Red set	7.5	ess block (3 per flue) 460 x 140 x 222	225		4M	10.4	265 x 200 x 160	160
	Red set	wide gath	er block						
	IGM	16.5	460 x 140 x 222	225		Top 4MP	exit block v I I.0	vith connector pipe 265 x 200 x 230	230
	M set re	cess bloc	k for larger recess (3 pe	er flue)					
	MS	22.9	554 x 272 x 222	225			exit gas flue transfer block		
	M set gather block					5M	24.6	285 x 280 x 290	290
	MG	53.9	554 x 272 x 222	225		Side	exit block	with connector pipe	
	B set red	cess block	for special recess (3 p	er flue)		5MP	26.8	285 x 295 x 290	290
	BRU	40.9	900 x 367 x 268	278					
	R set da	ther block							
	BTL900		900 x 367 x 150	160					
	Dense b	ack-up bl	ock						
	MD100	-	525 x 100 x 215	225					
$\sim$	Straight	bonded g	as flue block						
	2M 2M/150 2M/75	12.0 7.8 4.0	320 x 140 x 225 320 x 140 x 150 320 x 140 x 75	225 150 75					
	Latoral (	Emm offe	et gas flue block						
	3ME	12.8	340 x 140 x 225	225					
	35mm ba 3MS	ackset ga 12.5	s flue block 245 x 175 x 225	225					
	25mm ba 3MU	ackset ga I2.0	s flue block 245 x 165 x 225	225					
	125mm backset gas flue block (requires 2MDT190)								
	2BM	22.9	245 x 265 x 260	260					
	Gas flue	block wit	hout bonding nib						
	2MN225	7.1	245 x 140 x 225	225					
	2MN150 2MN75	4.9 2.7	245 x 140 x 150 245 x 140 x 75	150 75					

## 127mm id Twinwall Flue Pipe & accessories

SFL IL twinwall flue pipe is used to connect the Dunbrik gas flue block system through the roof space to a gas flue terminal outlet, either at the ridge, the eaves or through the roof slope.

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	Code V	/eight kg	Connected length mm		Code	Weight ka	3		
_	Flue block	connector /	adaptor						
	STWBC	0.3	132						
					Adjusta	able wall bra	cket		
Flue pipe 1524mm (60") length					STWB245 0.3 up to 245mm wall clearance				
	STW60	3.0	1486						
		914mm (36")	-		Adjustable flashing (requires storm collar) STWAF0530 0.6 5 to 30 degree pitch				
	STW36	1.8	876						
$\sim$	Flue pipe 4	457mm (18") 0.9	419				30 degree pitch o 45 degree pitch		
		0.9 305mm (12")							
	STW12	0.7	267						
		152mm (6")			Storm	collar and se	ealant		
	STW6	0.4	114		STWSC	0.1 for	use with adjustable flashing		
				1					
		e pipe length							
	STW18A	0.9	75 to 356		-				
					-		for attaching stays		
					STWGWB 0.3 for attaching stays				
		gree adjusta							
	STW090	0.8 use	to a maximum 45 degrees	Gas vent terminal					
				STWGVT 0.4 overall height 163mm					
Chimn	ey pots	, termina	Is and ancillary It	ems					
	Code	Weight	Colour				Overall size mm		
	Code	kg	Coloui		Code	Weight W	/idth x Depth x Height		
	Cannon h	U U	pot 450mm tall		Topqua		l with fixing straps		
Nacional State	Cann450	14	red or buff colour		red or buff colour				
	other he	ights available			TG260	1.6	-		
11	Stellgas t	erminal inse	rt	J dunbrik 1581	Flue block silicone sealant				
11	185mm ex	kternal spigo	ot		1581	0.4	-		
	Stell380	10.8	red or buff colour						
	Dunvent I	ow profile ri	dge vent terminal *		Blakbord insulation panel				
		gled 30° pitch			Blakbord	600 × 25 × 900			
	DVA DVA	16.6	6 colours		Blakbord I.0 600 x 25 x 900				
	Dunvent ha								
	<b>DVH</b> Dunvent se	l 6.6 gmental-third	6 colours round						
	DVS	16.6	6 colours						
	Gastyle II	ridge vent to	erminal *	- dunonk	Smoke p	ellet tube (6	i per tube)		

Smoke

Plates

Flue notice plate

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147 x 160

Gastyle angled 30<sup>°</sup> pitch GTA 16.6 6 colours

7_1	Gastyle	half round	
	GTH	16.6	6 colours
	Gastyle	segmental-third round	
	GTS	16.6	6 colours
Antique Brown AB		Old English Red OE	Olive Green OG
Slate Grey SG		Terracotta Red TR	Black BK

\* Suitable for connection to SFL IL 127mm id twinwall flue pipe

#### BENEFITS

- Full system from the specialist manufacturer
- Detailed flue costings prepared
- Flue blocks system meet latest standards
- Expert technical backup

#### **KEY SYSTEM FEATURES**

- Designed for ease of installation
- For gas fires under 7Kw input
- Three recess sizes to suit different fire sizes
- Three outlet options depending upon house design
- Comply with British Standards BSEN 1858

#### **BUILD METHODS**

• Traditional Build: Interlocking with blockwork in house walling

#### SERVICES

- Flue costing service
- Installation guides on the web or by post
- Products are available in the UK

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#### Heat Insulation in External Walls

Flue blocks are deeper than standard 100mm building blocks, which results in the cavity behind the flue blocks being reduced. For a flue in an external wall, insulation board is needed in the reduced cavity to prevent cold bridging and damp penetration. This is achieved with Blakbord insulation panel, which also acts as a damp proof membrane.

#### Sound Insulation in Party Walls

UK Building Regulations Part E require the demonstration of the sound insulation properties of separating walls by using standard RSD configurations or by pre-completion acoustic testing.

For staggered or single flues in masonry party walls, dense backup walling blocks (code MD100) are required behind the fire recess to meet the standard RSD configurations E-WM-3, 4, 5, 8, 11 & 14. Details are available from Robust Details Ltd on 0870 2408210 or www.robustdetails.com

Flues in apartments and timber framed separating walls would need precompletion acoustic testing. For flues within the separating wall outside England and Wales please contact the Dunbrik technical department.

#### Flue Height and Equivalent Height

Each gas fire has a manufacturer's designated "flue height" required for satisfactory operation based on a standard straight metal chimney. Dunbrik technical staff can calculate the equivalent "flue height" of a gas flue design to check against that required for the fire to be installed. The low resistance of Dunbrik flue blocks and the unique internal sweep of the 3ME offset block maximise the equivalent height for Dunbrik systems. A gas flue should not normally exceed 12 metres in length from the fire to the outlet.

#### **Internal Wall Finishes**

As the flue blocks may reach relatively high temperature using some gas appliances, the flue wall should be lined with plasterboard on dabs with a 10mm air space from the flue blocks to avoid plaster cracking. Plaster and plaster dabs should not be applied directly to the flue blocks otherwise plaster cracking may occur. The gap between the face of the recess and the plasterboard should be sealed with non-combustible sealing rope. Plaster dabs should not be applied directly to the flue blocks.

#### Twinwall metal flue pipe

125mm internal diameter twinwall flue pipe to BSEN 1856 is used in the roof space to connect the concrete flue block system to a gas flue terminal. Single wall or flexible pipe is not insulated and should not be used.

#### Clearance to combustible materials

When planning the design, allow for a 50mm clearance between the inner flue face and structural timbers. These include joists and trusses but not floorboards, skirting, dado and picture rails. For twinwall flue pipe, the required clearance is 50mm from the pipe, including at the ridge.

#### Flue costing

We can produce a flue costing to suit your house design. Please send us your floor plans, sections, elevations and choice of gas fire recess.

#### **Component Supply and Installation**

Components are listed overleaf. Dunbrik products can be obtained in the UK, please telephone 01924 373694 for details. Product installation guides are available on our website at; www.dunbrik.co.uk or by post.