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I General Part

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Trade name of the construction product:

Wimmer self-tapping screws

Product family to which the above construction product belongs:

Screws for use in timber constructions

Manufacturer:

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### II SPECIFIC PART OF THE EUROPEAN TECHNICAL ASSESSMENT

### 1 Technical description of product and intended use

### Technical description of the product

Wimmer screws are self-tapping screws to be used in timber structures. They shall be threaded over a part of the length or over the whole length. The screws shall be produced from carbon steel wire for nominal diameters between 4,0 mm and 10,0 mm. Where corrosion protection is required, the material or coating shall be declared in accordance with the relevant specification given in Annex A of EN 14592.

### **Geometry and Material**

The nominal diameter (outer thread diameter), d, of Wimmer screws shall not be less than 4,0 mm and shall not be greater than 10,0 mm. The overall length of the screws,  $\ell$ , shall not be less than 16 mm and shall not be greater than 400 mm. Other dimensions are given in Annex A.

The ratio of inner thread diameter to outer thread diameter d<sub>i</sub>/d ranges from 0,63 to 0,67.

The screws are threaded over a minimum length  $\ell_g$  of 4·d (i.e.  $\ell_g \ge 4$ ·d).

No breaking of screws shall be observed at a bend angle,  $\alpha$ , of less than  $(45/d^{0.7} + 20)$  degrees.

# 2 Specification of the intended use in accordance with the applicable EAD

The screws are used for connections in load bearing timber structures between members of solid timber (softwood), glued laminated timber, cross-laminated timber, and laminated veneer lumber, similar glued members, wood-based panels or steel.

Steel plates and wood-based panels except solid wood panels, laminated veneer lumber and cross laminated timber shall only be located on the side of the screw head. The following wood-based panels may be used:

- Plywood according to EN 636 or European Technical Assessment or national provisions that apply at the installation site
- Particleboard according to EN 312 or European Technical Assessment or national provisions that apply at the installation site
- Oriented Strand Board according to EN 300 or European Technical Assessment or national provisions that apply at the installation site
- Fibreboard according to EN 622-2 and 622-3 or

- European Technical Assessment (minimum density 650 kg/m³) or national provisions that apply at the installation site
- Cement bonded particleboard according to EN 634 or European Technical Assessment or national provisions that apply at the installation site
- Solid wood panels according to EN 13353 or European Technical Assessment or national provisions that apply at the installation site
- Cross laminated timber according to European Technical Assessment
- Laminated Veneer Lumber according to EN 14374 or European Technical Assessment
- Engineered wood products according to European Technical Assessment

The screws shall be driven into softwood without predrilling.

The screws are intended to be used in timber connections for which requirements for mechanical resistance and stability and safety in use in the sense of the Basic Works Requirements 1 and 4 of Regulation 305/2011 (EU) shall be fulfilled.

The design of the connections shall be based on the characteristic load-carrying capacities of the screws. The design capacities shall be derived from the characteristic capacities in accordance with Eurocode 5 or an appropriate national code.

The screws are intended for use for connections subject to static or quasi static loading.

The zinc-coated screws are for use in timber structures subject to the dry, internal conditions defined by the service classes 1 and 2 of EN 1995-1-1:2010 (Eurocode 5).

The scope of the screws regarding resistance to corrosion shall be defined according to national provisions that apply at the installation site considering environmental conditions. Section 3.10 of this ETA contains the corrosion protection for Wimmer screws made from carbon steel and the material specification for screws made from stainless steel.

The provisions made in this European Technical Assessment are based on an assumed intended working life of the screws of 50 years.

The indications given on the working life cannot be interpreted as a guarantee given by the producer or Assessment Body, but are to be regarded only as a means for choosing the right products in relation to the expected economically reasonable working life of the works.

### 3 Performance of the product and references to the methods used for its assessment

| Cha | racteristic   | Assessment of characteristic   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 3.1 | Mechanical resistance and stability*) (BWR1)                        |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|     | Tensile strength Screws made of carbon steel                        | $\begin{array}{llllllllllllllllllllllllllllllllllll$   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|     | Insertion moment  | Ratio of the characteristic torsional strength to the mean insertion moment: $f_{tor,k}  /  R_{tor,mean} \geq 1,5$   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|     | Torsional strength Screws made of carbon steel                      | $\begin{array}{llllllllllllllllllllllllllllllllllll$   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 3.2 | Safety in case of fire (BWR2)                                       |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|     | Reaction to fire  | The screws are made from steel classified as performance class A1 of the characteristic reaction to fire, in accordance with the provisions of EC decision 96/603/EC, amended by EC Decision 2000/605/EC.                              |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 3.3 | Hygiene, health and the environment (BWR3) Influence on air quality | The product does not contain/release dangerous substances specified in TR 034, dated October 2015 **)  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 3.7 | Sustainable use of natural resources (BWR7)                         | No Performance Assessed  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 3.8 | General aspects related to the performance of the product           | The screws have been assessed as having satisfactory durability and serviceability when used in timber structures using the timber species described in Eurocode 5 and subject to the conditions defined by service classes 1, 2 and 3 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|     | Identification  | See Annex A  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

<sup>\*)</sup> See additional information in section 3.9 - 3.11.

<sup>\*\*)</sup> In addition to the specific clauses relating to dangerous substances contained in this European Technical Assessment, there may be other requirements applicable to the products falling within its scope (e.g. transposed European legislation and national laws, regulations and administrative provisions). In order to meet the provisions of the Construction Products Regulation, these requirements need also to be complied with, when and where they apply.

### 3.9 Mechanical resistance and stability

The load-carrying capacities for Wimmer screws are applicable to the wood-based materials mentioned in paragraph 1 even though the term timber has been used in the following.

The characteristic lateral load-carrying capacities and the characteristic axial withdrawal capacities of Wimmer screws should be used for designs in accordance with Eurocode 5 or an appropriate national code.

Point side penetration length must be  $\ell_{ef} \ge 4 \cdot d$ , where d is the outer thread diameter of the screw.

European Technical Assessments for structural members or wood-based panels must be considered where applicable.

### Lateral load-carrying capacity

The characteristic lateral load-carrying capacity of Wimmer screws shall be calculated according to EN 1995-1-1:2008 (Eurocode 5) using the outer thread diameter d as the nominal diameter of the screw. The contribution from the rope effect may be considered.

The characteristic yield moment shall be assumed as:

| d = 4.0  mm:  | $M_{y,k} = 3.3 \text{ Nm}$ |
|---------------|----------------------------|
| d = 4.5  mm:  | $M_{y,k} = 4.5 \text{ Nm}$ |
| d = 5.0  mm:  | $M_{y,k} = 5.9 \text{ Nm}$ |
| d = 6.0  mm:  | $M_{y,k} = 9.5 \text{ Nm}$ |
| d = 8.0  mm:  | $M_{y,k} = 20 \text{ Nm}$  |
| d = 10,0  mm: | $M_{y,k} = 36 \text{ Nm}$  |

The embedding strength for screws in non-pre-drilled holes arranged at an angle between screw axis and grain direction,  $15^{\circ} \le \alpha \le 90^{\circ}$  is:

$$f_{h,k} = \frac{0.082 \cdot \rho_k \cdot d^{-0.3}}{2.5 \cdot \cos^2 \alpha + \sin^2 \alpha}$$
 [MPa]

and accordingly for screws in pre-drilled holes:

$$f_{h,k} = \frac{0.082 \cdot \rho_k \cdot (1 - 0.01 \cdot d)}{2.5 \cdot \cos^2 \alpha + \sin^2 \alpha}$$
 [MPa]

Where

 $\rho_k$  characteristic timber density [kg/m<sup>3</sup>];

d outer thread diameter [mm];

α angle between screw axis and grain direction;

The embedding strength for screws arranged parallel to the plane of cross laminated timber, independent of the angle between screw axis and grain direction,  $15^{\circ} \le \alpha \le 90^{\circ}$ , shall be calculated from:

$$f_{h,k} = 20 \cdot d^{-0,5}$$
 [MPa]

unless otherwise specified in the technical specification (ETA or hEN) for the cross laminated timber.

Where

d outer thread diameter [mm]

The embedding strength for screws in the wide face of cross laminated timber should be assumed as for solid timber based on the characteristic density of the outer layer. If relevant, the angle between force and grain direction of the outer layer should be taken into account.

The direction of the lateral force shall be perpendicular to the screw axis and parallel to the wide face of the cross laminated timber.

### Axial withdrawal capacity

The characteristic axial withdrawal capacity of Wimmer screws at an angle of  $15^{\circ} \le \alpha \le 90^{\circ}$  to the grain in solid timber, glued laminated timber and cross-laminated timber members shall be calculated according to EN 1995-1-1 from:

$$F_{ax,\alpha,Rk} = n_{ef} \cdot k_{ax} \cdot f_{ax,k} \cdot d \cdot \ell_{ef} \cdot \left(\frac{\rho_k}{350}\right)^{0.8}$$
 [N]

Where

| $F_{ax,\alpha,RK}$ | characteristic withdrawal capacity of the      |
|--------------------|--|
|                    | screw at an angle $\alpha$ to the grain [N]    |
| $n_{ef}$           | effective number of screws according to        |
|                    | EN 1995-1-1                                    |
| $k_{ax}$           | Factor, taking into account the angle $\alpha$ |

between screw axis and grain direction  $k_{ax} = 1.0$  for  $45^{\circ} \le \alpha < 90^{\circ}$ 

$$k_{ax} = 0.3 + \frac{0.7 \cdot \alpha}{45}$$
 for  $15^{\circ} \le \alpha < 45^{\circ}$ 

 $\begin{array}{lll} f_{ax,k} & & Characteristic \ withdrawal \ parameter \\ 4 \ mm \leq d \leq 5 \ mm: & f_{ax,k} = 14 \ MPa \\ 6 \ mm \leq d \leq 8 \ mm: & f_{ax,k} = 11 \ MPa \\ d = 10 \ mm: & f_{ax,k} = 10 \ MPa \end{array}$ 

d outer thread diameter [mm]

Penetration length of the threaded part according to EN 1995-1-1 [mm]

α Angle between grain and screw axis ( $\alpha \ge 15^{\circ}$ )

ρ<sub>k</sub> Characteristic density [kg/m³]

For screws penetrating more than one layer of cross laminated timber, the different layers may be taken into account proportionally.

The axial withdrawal capacity is limited by the head pull-through capacity and the tensile capacity of the screw.

### Head pull-through capacity

The characteristic head pull-through capacity of Wimmer screws shall be calculated according to EN 1995-1-1 from:

$$F_{ax,\alpha,Rk} = n_{ef} \cdot f_{head,k} \cdot d_h^2 \cdot \left(\frac{\rho_k}{350}\right)^{0.8}$$
 [N]

where:

 $\rho_k$ 

F<sub>ax,α,RK</sub> Characteristic head pull-through capacity

of the connection at an angle  $\alpha \ge 30^{\circ}$  to

the grain [N]

n<sub>ef</sub> Effective number of screws according to

EN 1995-1-1:2008

f<sub>head,k</sub> Characteristic head pull-through parameter

[MPa]

d<sub>h</sub> Diameter of the screw head or the washer

[mm]. Outer diameter of heads or washers

 $d_k > 2.5 \cdot d$  shall not be taken into account.

Characteristic density [kg/m³], for wood-

based panels  $\rho_k = 380 \text{ kg/m}^3$ 

Characteristic head pull-through parameter for Wimmer screws in connections with timber and in connections with wood-based panels with thicknesses above 20 mm:

 $\begin{array}{ll} 4 \text{ mm} \leq d \leq 5 \text{ mm} \colon & f_{head,k} = 17 \text{ MPa} \\ 6 \text{ mm} \leq d \leq 10 \text{ mm} \colon & f_{head,k} = 10 \text{ MPa} \end{array}$ 

Characteristic head pull-through parameter for screws in connections with wood-based panels with thicknesses between 12 mm and 20 mm:

 $f_{head,k} = 8 \text{ MPa}$ 

Screws in connections with wood-based panels with a thickness below 12 mm (minimum thickness of the wood based panels of 1,2·d with d as outer thread diameter):

 $f_{head,k} = 8 \text{ MPa}$ 

limited to  $F_{ax,Rk} = 400 \text{ N}$ 

The head diameter  $d_h$  shall be greater than  $1.8 \cdot d_s$ , where  $d_s$  is the smooth shank or the wire diameter. Otherwise the characteristic head pull-through capacity  $F_{ax,\alpha,Rk} = 0$ .

The minimum thickness of wood-based panels according to the clause 2.1 must be observed.

In steel-to-timber connections the head pull-through capacity is not governing.

### Tensile capacity

The characteristic tensile strength  $f_{tens,k}$  of Wimmer screws made of carbon steel is:

| d = 4.0  mm: | 5,0 kN |
|--------------|--------|
| d = 4.5  mm: | 6,4 kN |
| d = 5.0  mm: | 7,9 kN |
| d = 6.0  mm: | 11 kN  |
| - / -        |        |

$$d = 8.0 \text{ mm}$$
: 20 kN  $d = 10.0 \text{ mm}$ : 31 kN

For screws used in combination with steel plates, the tear-off capacity of the screw head including a washer shall be greater than the tensile capacity of the screw.

### Combined laterally and axially loaded screws

For connections subjected to a combination of axial and lateral load, the following expression should be satisfied:

$$\left(\frac{F_{ax,Ed}}{F_{ax,Rd}}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{F_{la,Ed}}{F_{la,Rd}}\right)^2 \leq 1$$

where

 $F_{ax,Ed}$  axial design load of the screw  $F_{la,Ed}$  lateral design load of the screw

 $F_{ax,Rd}$  design load-carrying capacity of an axially

loaded screw

 $F_{la,Rd} \quad design \ load-carrying \ capacity \ of \ a \ laterally$ 

loaded screw

### Slip modulus

The axial slip modulus  $K_{\text{ser}}$  of a screw for the serviceability limit state should be taken independent of angle  $\alpha$  to the grain as:

$$C = K_{ser} = 780 \cdot d^{0.2} \cdot \ell_{ef}^{0.4}$$
 [N/mm]

Where

d outer thread diameter [mm]

 $\ell_{\rm ef}$  thread penetration length in the structural member [mm]

### 3.10 Aspects related to the performance of the product

3.11.1 Corrosion protection in service class 1 and 2 The Wimmer screws are produced from carbon wire in accordance with EN 14592

### 3.11 General aspects related to the intended use of the product

The screws are manufactured in accordance with the provisions of the European Technical Assessment using the automated manufacturing process as identified during the inspection of the plant by the assessment body issuing the ETA and the notified body and laid down in the technical documentation.

The installation shall be carried out in accordance with Eurocode 5 or an appropriate national code unless otherwise is defined in the following. Instructions from Stefan Wimmer GmbH should be considered for installation.

The screws are used for connections in load bearing timber structures between members of solid timber (softwood), glued laminated timber, cross-laminated timber, and laminated veneer lumber, similar glued members, wood-based panels or steel members.

The screws may be used for connections in load bearing timber structures with structural members according to an associated European Technical Assessment, if according to the associated European Technical Assessment of the structural member a connection in load bearing timber structures with screws according to a European Technical Assessment is allowed.

A minimum of two screws should be used for connections in load bearing timber structures.

The minimum penetration depth in structural members made of solid, glued or cross-laminated timber is 4·d.

Wood-based panels and steel plates should only be arranged on the side of the screw head. The minimum thickness of wood-based panels should be 1,2·d. Furthermore, the minimum thickness for following wood-based panels should be:

- Plywood, Fibreboards: 6 mm
- Particleboards, OSB, Cement Particleboards: 8 mm
- Solid wood panels: 12 mm

For structural members according to European Technical Assessments the terms of the European Technical Assessments must be considered.

The minimum angle between the screw axis and the grain direction is  $\alpha = 15^{\circ}$ .

The screws shall be driven into the wood without predrilling or after pre-drilling with a diameter equal or less than the inner thread diameter.

The hole diameter in steel members must be predrilled with a suitable diameter.

Only the equipment prescribed by Stefan Wimmer GmbH shall be used for driving the screws.

In connections with screws with countersunk head according to Annex The head must be flush with the surface of the connected structural member. A deeper countersink is not allowed.

For structural timber members, minimum spacing and distances for screws are given in EN 1995-1-1 (Eurocode 5) clause 8.3.1.2 and table 8.2 as for nails in predrilled or non-predrilled holes, respectively. Here, the outer thread diameter d must be considered.

For Douglas fir members minimum spacing and distances parallel to the grain shall be increased by 50%.

Minimum distances from the unloaded edge perpendicular to the grain may be reduced to 3·d, if the spacing parallel to the grain and the end distance is at least 25·d.

Unless specified otherwise in the technical specification (ETA or hEN) of cross laminated timber, minimum distances and spacing for screws in the wide face of cross laminated timber members with a minimum thickness  $t = 10 \cdot d$  may be taken as (see Annex B):

Spacing a<sub>1</sub> parallel to the grain  $a_1 = 4 \cdot d$ Spacing a<sub>2</sub> perpendicular to the grain  $a_2 = 2.5 \cdot d$ Distance a<sub>3,c</sub> from centre of the screw-part in timber to the unloaded end grain  $a_{1,c} = 6 \cdot d$ Distance a<sub>3,t</sub> from centre of the screw-part in timber to the loaded end grain  $a_{1,t} = 6 \cdot d$ Distance a<sub>4,c</sub> from centre of the screw-part in timber to the unloaded edge  $a_{2,c} = 2.5 \cdot d$ Distance a<sub>4,t</sub> from centre of the screw-part in timber to the loaded edge  $a_{2t} = 6 \cdot d$ 

Unless specified otherwise in the technical specification (ETA or hEN) of cross laminated timber, minimum distances and spacing for screws in the edge surface of cross laminated timber members with a minimum thickness  $t=10\cdot d$  and a minimum penetration depth perpendicular to the edge surface of  $10\cdot d$  may be taken as (see Annex B):

Spacing a<sub>1</sub> parallel to the CLT plane  $a_1 = 10 \cdot d$ Spacing a<sub>2</sub> perpendicular to the CLT plane  $a_2 = 4 \cdot d$ Distance a<sub>3,c</sub> from centre of the screw-part in timber to the unloaded end  $a_{1,c} = 7 \cdot d$ Distance a<sub>3,t</sub> from centre of the screw-part in timber to the loaded end  $a_{1,t} = 12 \cdot d$ Distance a<sub>4,c</sub> from centre of the screw-part in timber to the unloaded edge  $a_{2,c} = 3 \cdot d$ Distance a<sub>4,t</sub> from centre of the screw-part in timber to the loaded edge  $a_{2,t} = 6 \cdot d$ 

# 4 Attestation and verification of constancy of performance (AVCP)

### 4.1 AVCP system

According to the decision 97/176/EC of the European Commission1, as amended, the system(s) of assessment and verification of constancy of performance (see Annex V to Regulation (EU) No 305/2011) is 3.

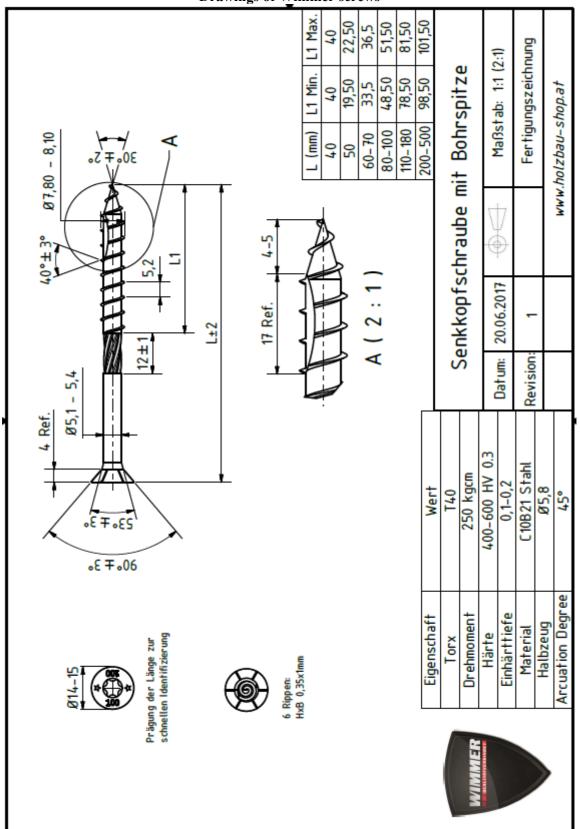
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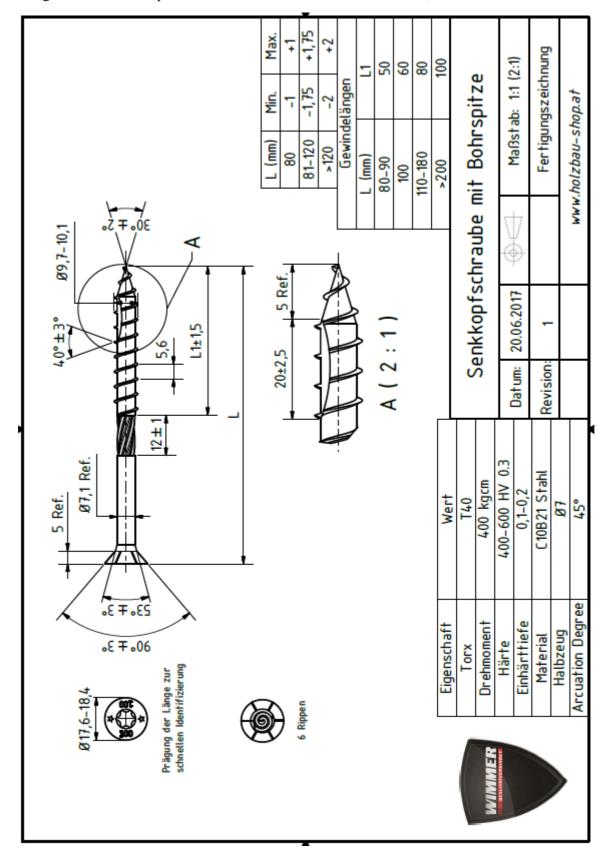
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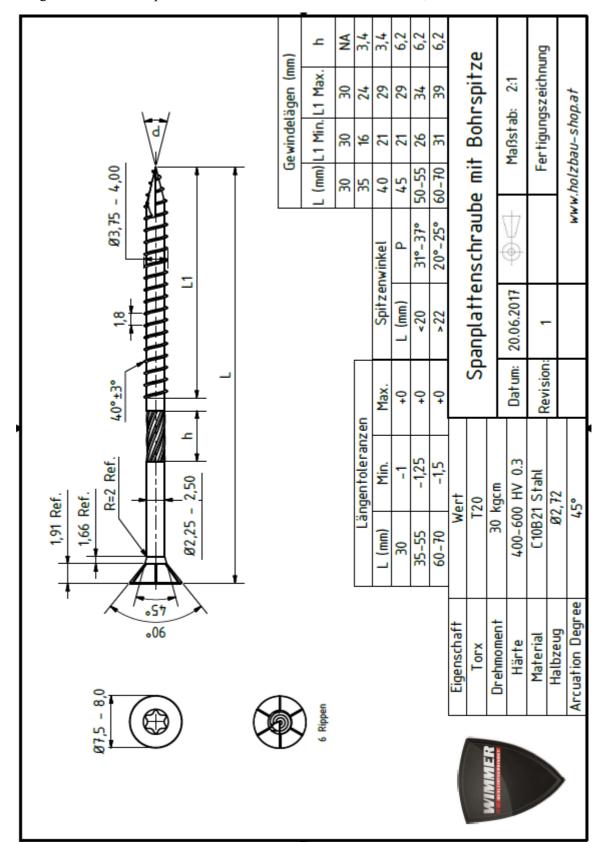
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Annex A
Drawings of Wimmer screws

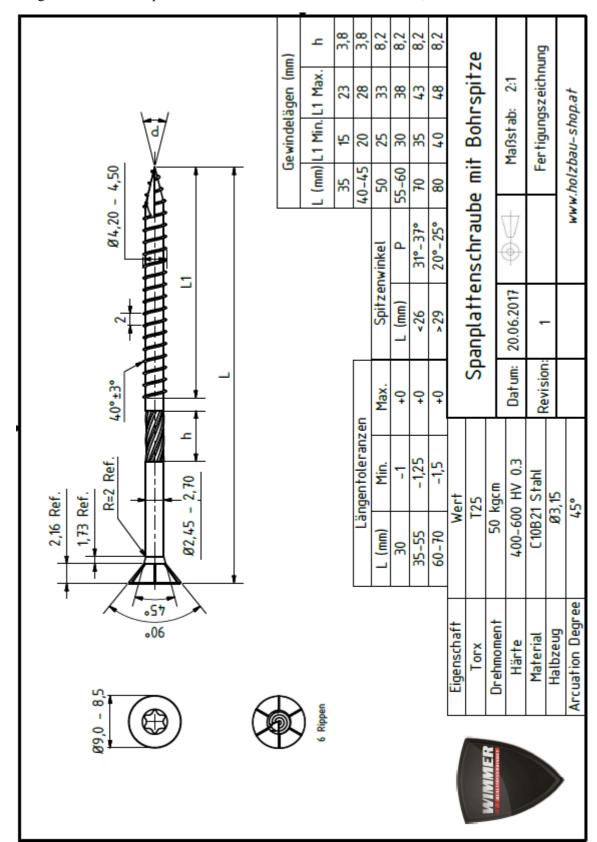




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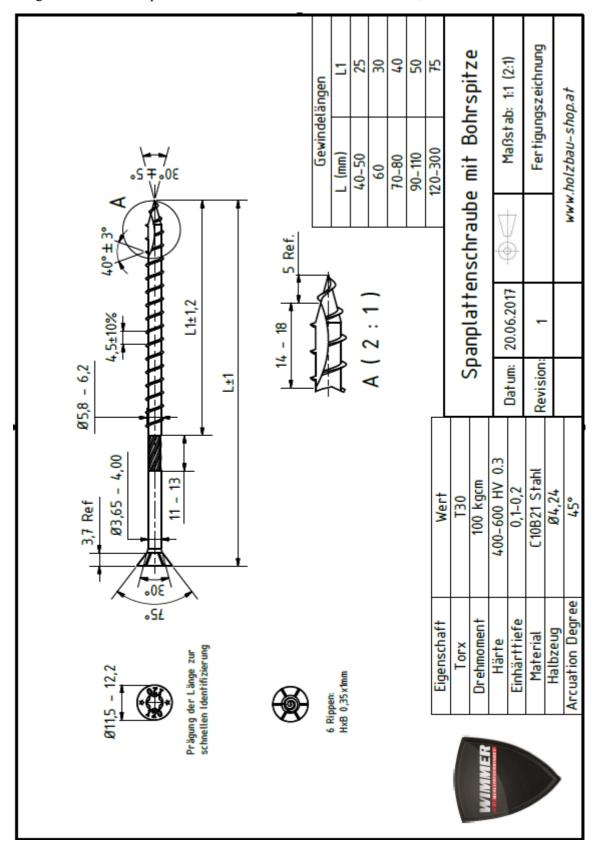
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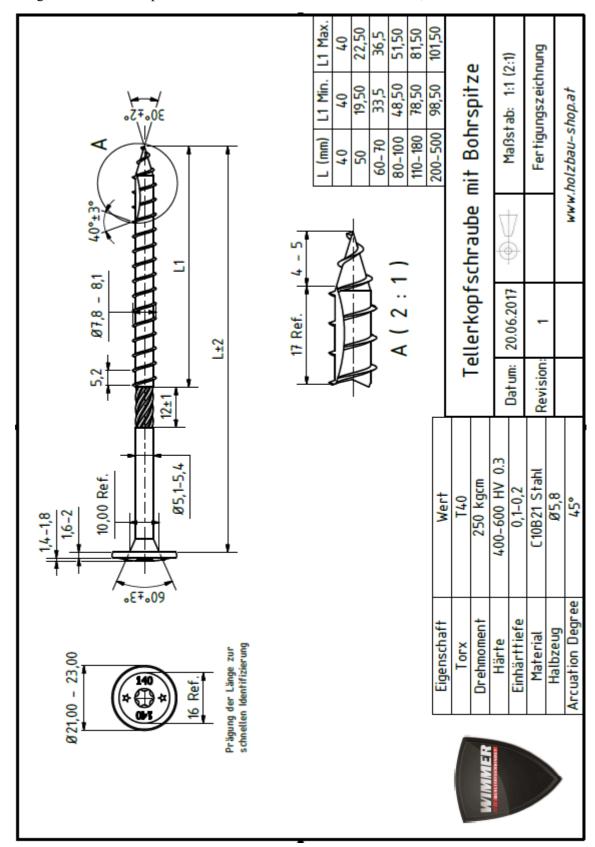
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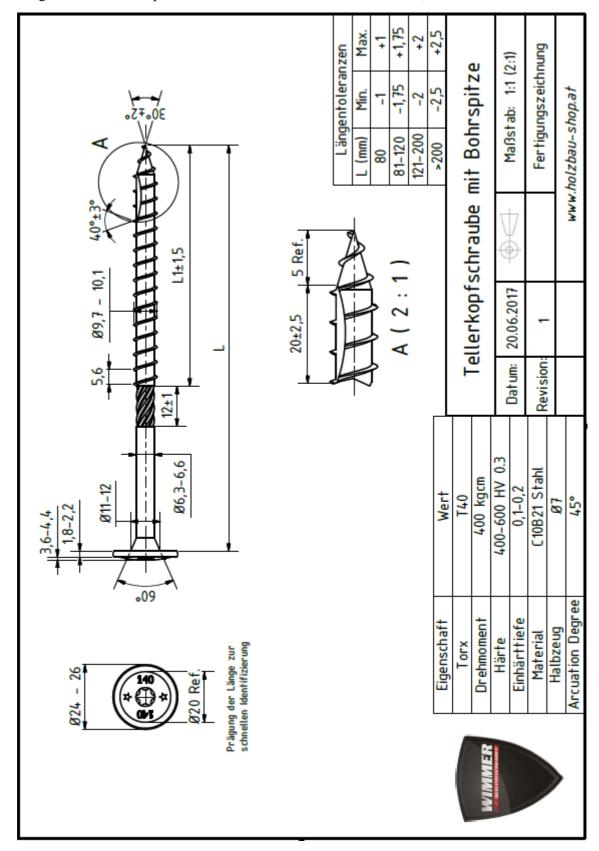
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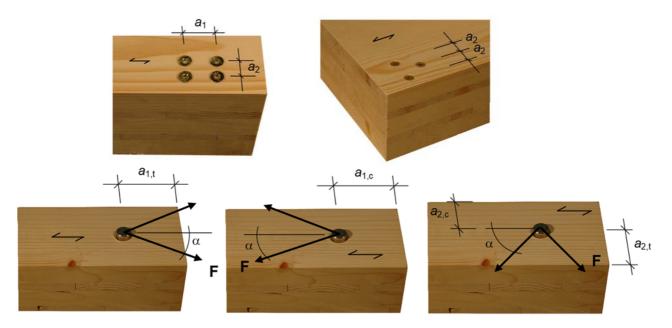




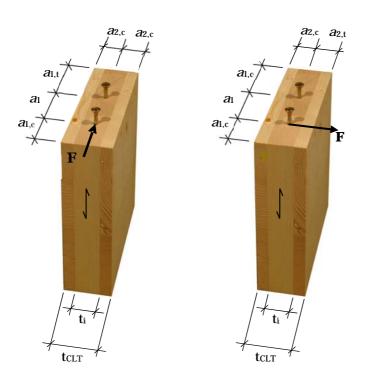
### Annex B Minimum distances and spacing

### Axially or laterally loaded screws in the plane or edge surface of cross laminated timber

Definition of spacing, end and edge distances in the plane surface unless otherwise specified in the technical specification (ETA or hEN) for the cross laminated timber:



Definition of spacing, end and edge distances in the edge surface unless otherwise specified in the technical specification (ETA or hEN) for the cross laminated timber:



#### Annex C

#### Thermal insulation material on top of rafters

Wimmer screws with an outer thread diameter 6 mm  $\leq$  d  $\leq$  10 mm may be used for the fixing of thermal insulation material on top of rafters.

The thickness of the insulation shall not exceed 300 mm. The rafter insulation must be placed on top of solid timber or glued laminated timber rafters or cross-laminated timber members and be fixed by battens arranged parallel to the rafters or by wood-based panels on top of the insulation layer. The insulation of vertical facades is also covered by the rules given here.

Screws must be screwed in the rafter through the battens or panels and the insulation without pre-drilling in one sequence.

The angle  $\alpha$  between the screw axis and the grain direction of the rafter should be between 30° and 90°.

The rafter consists of solid timber (softwood) according to EN 338, glued laminated timber according to EN 14081, cross-laminated timber, or laminated veneer lumber according to EN 14374 or to European Technical Approval or similar glued members according to European Technical Approval.

The battens must be from solid timber (softwood) according to EN 338:2003-04. The minimum thickness t and the minimum width b of the battens is given as follows:

Screws  $d \le 8.0$  mm:  $b_{min} = 50$  mm  $t_{min} = 30$  mm Screws d = 10 mm:  $b_{min} = 60$  mm  $t_{min} = 40$  mm

The insulation must comply with a European Technical Approval.

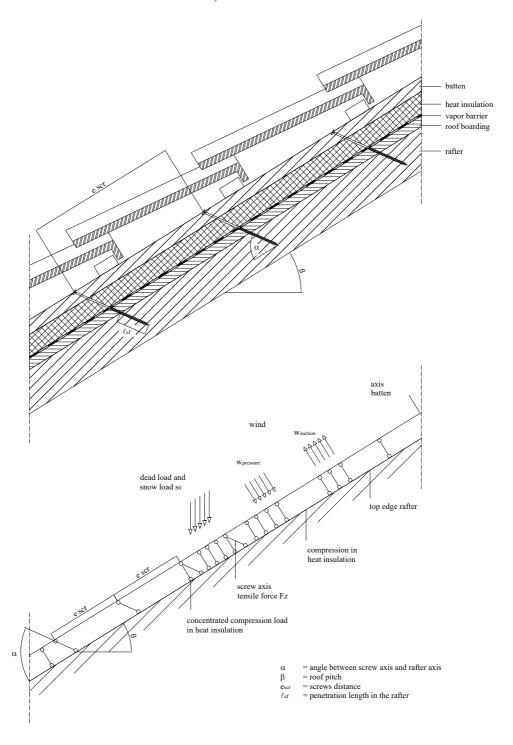
Friction forces shall not be considered for the design of the characteristic axial capacity of the screws.

The anchorage of wind suction forces as well as the bending stresses of the battens or the boards, respectively, shall be considered in design. Additional screws perpendicular to the grain of the rafter (angle  $\alpha = 90^{\circ}$ ) may be arranged if necessary.

The maximum screw spacing is  $e_S = 1,75$  m.

### Mechanical model

The system of rafter, heat insulation on top of rafter and battens parallel to the rafter may be considered as a beam on elastic foundation. The batten represents the beam, and the heat insulation on top of the rafter the elastic foundation. The minimum compression stress of the heat insulation at 10 % deformation, measured according to EN 826<sup>1</sup>, shall be  $\sigma_{(10\%)} = 0.05 \text{ N/mm}^2$ . The batten is loaded perpendicular to the axis by point loads  $F_b$ . Further point loads  $F_s$  are from the shear load of the roof due to dead and snow load, which are transferred from the screw heads into the battens.



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> EN 826:1996

### Design of the battens

The bending stresses are calculated as:

$$M = \frac{(F_b + F_s) \cdot \ell_{char}}{4}$$

Where

 $\ell_{\text{char}} = \text{characteristic length} \ \ \ell_{\text{char}} = \sqrt[4]{\frac{4 \cdot EI}{w_{\text{ef}} \cdot K}}$ 

EI = bending stiffness of the batten

K = coefficient of subgrade

 $w_{ef}$  = effective width of the heat insulation

 $F_b$  = Point loads perpendicular to the battens

 $F_s$  = Point loads perpendicular to the battens, load application in the area of the screw heads

The coefficient of subgrade K may be calculated from the modulus of elasticity  $E_{\rm HI}$  and the thickness  $t_{\rm HI}$  of the heat insulation if the effective width  $w_{\rm ef}$  of the heat insulation under compression is known. Due to the load extension in the heat insulation the effective width  $w_{\rm ef}$  is greater than the width of the batten or rafter, respectively. For further calculations, the effective width  $w_{\rm ef}$  of the heat insulation may be determined according to:

$$w_{ef} = w + t_{HI} / 2$$

where

w = minimum width of the batten or rafter, respectively

t<sub>HI</sub> = thickness of the heat insulation

$$K = \frac{E_{HI}}{t_{HI}}$$

The following condition shall be satisfied:

$$\frac{\sigma_{m,d}}{f_{m,d}} = \frac{M_d}{W \cdot f_{m,d}} \le 1$$

For the calculation of the section modulus W the net cross section has to be considered.

The shear stresses shall be calculated according to:

$$V = \frac{(F_b + F_s)}{2}$$

The following condition shall be satisfied:

$$\frac{\tau_d}{f_{v,d}} = \frac{1, 5 \cdot V_d}{A \cdot f_{v,d}} \le 1$$

For the calculation of the cross section area the net cross section has to be considered.

### Design of the heat insulation

The compressive stresses in the heat insulation shall be calculated according to:

$$\sigma = \frac{1.5 \cdot F_b + F_s}{2 \cdot \ell_{char} \cdot w}$$

The design value of the compressive stress shall not be greater than 110 % of the compressive stress at 10 % deformation calculated according to EN 826.

#### Design of the screws

The screws are loaded predominantly axially. The axial tension force in the screw may be calculated from the shear loads of the roof  $R_s$ :

$$T_S = \frac{R_S}{\cos \alpha}$$

The load-carrying capacity of axially loaded screws is the minimum design value of the axial withdrawal capacity of the threaded part of the screw, the head pull-through capacity of the screw and the tensile capacity of the screw.

In order to limit the deformation of the screw head for Thermal insulation material thicknesses over 200 mm or with

compressive strength below  $0.12 \text{ N/mm}^2$ , respectively, the axial withdrawal capacity of the screws shall be reduced by the factors  $k_1$  and  $k_2$ :

$$F_{ax,\alpha,Rd} = min \left\{ k_{ax} \cdot f_{ax,d} \cdot d \cdot \ell_{ef} \cdot k_1 \cdot k_2 \cdot \left(\frac{\rho_k}{350}\right)^{0.8}; f_{head,d} \cdot d_h^2 \cdot \left(\frac{\rho_k}{350}\right)^{0.8}; f_{tens,d} \right\}$$

Where:

f<sub>ax,d</sub> design value of the axial withdrawal parameter of the threaded part of the screw

d outer thread diameter of the screw

Point side penetration length of the threaded part of the screw in the batten,  $l_{ef} \ge 40$  mm

 $\alpha$  Angle between grain and screw axis ( $\alpha \ge 30^{\circ}$ )

 $\begin{array}{ll} \rho_k & \text{characteristic density of the wood-based member } [kg/m^3] \\ f_{head,d} & \text{design value of the head pull-through capacity of the screw} \end{array}$ 

d<sub>h</sub> head diameter

f<sub>tens,d</sub> design tensile capacity of the screw

 $k_1 \quad min \{1; 200/t_{HI}\}$   $k_2 \quad min \{1; \sigma_{10\%}/0,12\}$ 

thickness of the heat insulation [mm]

 $\sigma_{10\%}$  compressive stress of the heat insulation under 10 % deformation [N/mm<sup>2</sup>]

If k<sub>1</sub> and k<sub>2</sub> are considered, the deflection of the battens does not need to be considered. Alternatively to the battens, panels with a minimum thickness of 22 mm from plywood according to EN 636, particle board according to EN 312, oriented strand board according to EN 300 or European Technical Approval and solid wood panels according to EN 13353 or cross laminated timber may be used.