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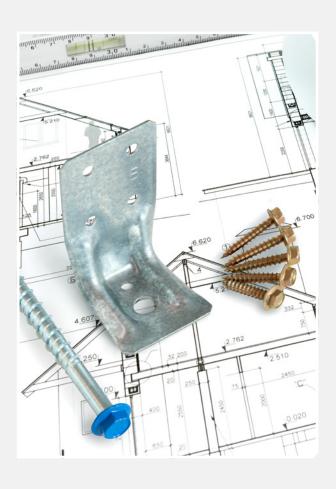
Developed in conjunction with MiTek™, the GIB HandiBrac® has been designed and tested by Winstone Wallboards for use in GIB EzyBrace® elements that require hold-downs. The GIB HandiBrac® is a substitute for bottom plate hold-down straps.

- Quick and easy to fit
- May be fitted at any stage before lining
- Framing face is clear to allow flush lining
- Easily inspected

The GIB HandiBrac® with BOWMAC® blue head screw bolt is suitable for timber and concrete floors constructed in accordance with NZS 3604:2011

The GIB HandiBrac® provides quick and easy installation. The registered design provides a flush surface for the wall linings because it is fitted inside the framing.

There is therefore no need to check in the framing as is recommended with conventional straps. Because the GIB HandiBrac® conveniently allows for installation and inspection at any stage prior to fitting internal linings, it is suitable for both new and retrofit construction.



# GIB HANDIBRAC® OVERVIEW

#### **COMPONENTS**

GIB HandiBrac<sup>®</sup> is available in boxes of 10, each containing 5 pairs.

Components per paired pack include:

- 2 x GIB HandiBrac® Brackets
- 10 x Tek Screws
- 2 x BOWMAC® screw bolts included within specific GIB HandiBrac® pack

#### GIB® BRACING ELEMENTS

The GIB HandiBrac® is a proprietary product that has been tested and is suitable for use with specified GIB EzyBrace® Systems.

#### FIXING TO TIMBER FRAMED FLOORS

BOWMAC® screw bolt to achieve a characteristic uplift strength of 12kN.

#### FIXING TO CONCRETE SLABS

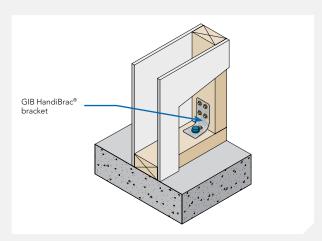
BOWMAC® screw bolt to achieve a characteristic uplift strength of 15kN

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## PANEL HOLD-DOWN DETAILS

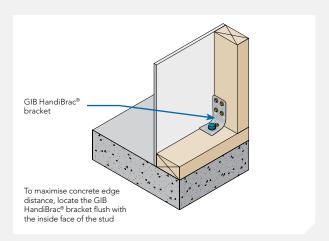
#### CONCRETE FLOOR - INTERNAL WALL

The bottom plate at both ends of the bracing element is fixed using a BOWMAC® screw bolt. For BOWMAC® screw bolt installation see instructions on next page



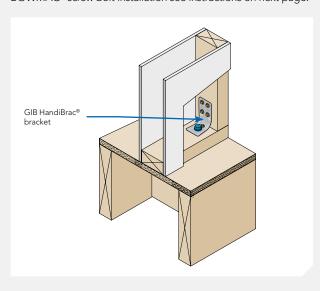
#### **CONCRETE FLOOR – EXTERNAL WALL**

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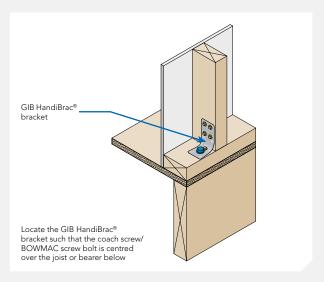
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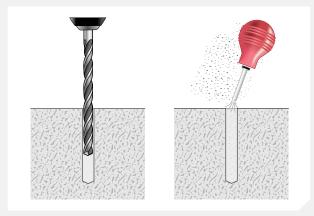


# INSTALLATION OF GIB HANDIBRAC® BRACKET

- 1. Install the screw located in the bracket base
- 2. Install the BOWMAC® screw bolt as per instructions below
- 3. Install remaining four screws into the face of the timber stud

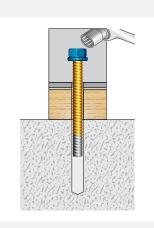
#### Installation Tips

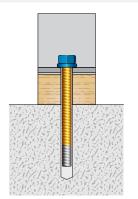
- Use quality hexagonal socket with a ratchet spanner
- During installation debris or dust created by the thread cutting action may cause some resistance to be experienced. This is easily overcome by unscrewing the BOWMAC® screw bolt for one turn or more and then continuing to fix to the full embedment.



#### PREPARATION

- Use a 10mm diameter masonry bit for a solid concrete substrate and an 8mm diameter bit for fixing to a timber sub-floor.
- Drill a hole into the base material to depth 8 mm deeper than the required embedment and clean out the hole of dust and debris prior to installation of BOWMAC® screw bolt.





#### FIXING THE BRACKET

- Insert the bolt through the GIB HandiBrac® plate and bracket and into the hole.
- Begin tightening the bolt by applying forward pressure when engaging the first thread.
- Additional forward pressure may be required for installation in high strength, dense base materials.
- Continue tightening the anchor until the head is firmly seated against the GIB HandiBrac® base.
- In extremely dense material, use of an impact wrench is recommended.
- Be sure the bolt is at the required embedment depth.
- The installation is now complete.



## GIB HANDIBRAC®

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