Inspection Template: Foundation and Slab



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General Information

Listed below are the inspection elements and prompts within each element. Please note that not all elements will be relevant for your project. The inspection will remain 'in progress' until all elements within the inspection type are completed and passed, and this may require multiple inspections.

For the inspection to take place, please ensure that all consent documentation is available on site including all approved (stamped) documents, Building Consent (Form 5), Inspections and General Information.

1. Siting and Levels		
1.1 Siting	 Siting, profiles, orientation, and footprint aligns with plans (surveyor certificate if this cannot be adequately verified) Easement location (if any) and setback Effects of building work on existing services 	
1.2 Contours/Floor Levels	 Ground contours and spot levels generally align with plans Horizontal separation distances in relation to adjacent ground Building located clear of overland flow paths (retaining walls etc) Finished floor levels can achieve ground clearances Datums establishing minimum floor levels 	
2. Standard Foundation		
2.1 Siteworks	 Building platform clear of topsoil, rubbish, and organic material Excavation; safe slope, angle of influence, horizontal separation to building, sediment control 	
2.2 Construction	 Formwork Ground bearing capacity is adequate (engineer, area known to comply, prodder or heal test) Footings trenches free of debris with solid bearing Footing depths, widths, rebates, steps Load path to foundation matches plans; foundation edge, thickenings, foundation walls, foundation steps, posts, columns and portal frames Floor height to ground level Foundation walls width, height and steps Drains under building (90° to footing, clear of foundations) Concrete MPa strength (specified/ordered) 	
2.3 Reinforcing	 Grade, size, lap, ties, cover and support Reinforcing around service blockouts Starters into slab (if required) Supplementary bars in place Connection into existing foundation 	
2.4 Damp Proof Membrane	 Type identified Joints lapped and taped Penetrations or punctures sealed Continuous from upper to lower floor levels 	
2.5 Insulation	Size, type and location	
2.6 Subfloor Ventilation	Location from corners (max 750mm), centres (max 1800mm), size (min. 120x120mm)	

3. Timber Piles		
3. Timber Piles	 Foundation size, depth, spacing, clean of debris Ground bearing capacity is adequate (engineer, area known to comply, prodder or heal test) Pile layout, size and height (standard, bracing/anchor), treatment (H5), temporary braced, cut ends up or sealed, ground clearances, crawl space 	
4. Block Foundation		
4.1 Reinforcing	 Reinforcing steel identified (grade/size) Horizontal reinforcing bars spacings and laps Vertical reinforcing starter bars centres 	
4.2 Height of Pour	 Anything over 4 blocks high to be inspected in Concrete and Blockwork template 	
4.3 Cleanout	 Block cavities clear of debris Vertical reinforcing bars tied/laps to starters 	
4.4 Control Joints	Control joint as per the consented plans	
5. Concrete Piles		
5. Concrete Piles	 Foundation size, depth, spacing, clean of debris Pile layout, size, height, bracing, MPa, ground clearances, crawl space Ground bearing capacity is adequate (engineer, area known to comply, prodder or heal test) Formwork (in situ piles) Reinforcing size and position 	
6. Raft or Waffle Slab		
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6.1 Siteworks	 sediment control Ground bearing capacity is adequate (engineer, area known to comply, prodder or heal test) Compacted ground extends past slab (typically 1m) Formwork Pods and trenches free of debris, depths, cast in bottom plate fixings, rebates Load path to foundation matches plans, thickenings, posts, columns, portal frames Drains under building (90 deg to footing, clear of foundation) Concrete MPa strength (specified / ordered) 	
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7. Slab On Grade		
7.1 Construction	 Granular fill type and compaction Formwork Depth, control joints, cast in bottom plates, rebates Load path matches plans; thickenings, posts, columns and portal frames Concrete MPa strength (specified / ordered) Control joints 	
7.2 Reinforcing	 Grade, size, lap, ties, cover and support Reinforcing around service blockouts Supplementary bars in place Connection into existing foundation 	
7.3 Damp Proof Membrane	 Type Joints lapped and taped Penetrations or punctures sealed Continuous from upper to lower floor levels 	
7.4 Insulation	Size, type and locationThermal break	
8. Suspended Slab		
8.1 Construction	 Formwork Thickness, seating, propping Load path matches plans; thickenings, posts, columns and portal frames Concrete MPa strength (specified / ordered) Control joints 	
8.2 Reinforcing	 Grade, size, lap, ties, cover and support Reinforcing around services Reinforcing from wall sizes, laps, ties Seating Connection into existing foundation 	
8.3 Insulation	Size, type and locationThermal break	
9. AF 3P Third Party Inspection		
9.1 Third Party Request	 Scope specified Reviewed and approved Instructions, limitations, and approval emailed and saved 	
9.2 Verification Documentation	 Confirmation specialist has been on site and instructed ok to proceed Siting/levels certification Ground bearing verification Compaction certification Engineers site notes (where PS4 for SED elements) 	

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