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Trade name:	Macalloy 1030 Post Tensioning System
Holder of approval:	Macalloy Ltd Caxton Way, Dinnington, S25 3QE, United Kingdom
Generic type and use of construction product(s):	Internal bonded or unbonded bar post-tensioning kit using high tensile plain bar 25mm-40mm and ribbed bar 25mm-50mm
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I. LEGAL BASES AND GENERAL CONDITIONS

1. This European Technical Approval is issued by UK Certification Authority for Reinforcing Steels in accordance with the

- 1. Council Directive of 21 December 1988 on the approximation of laws, regulations and administrative provisions of Member States relating to construction products (89/106/EEC) amended by Council Directive 93/68/EEC of 22 July 1993.(1)
- 2. UK implementation of the Construction Products Directive, 89/106/EEC: Statutory Instrument 1991, No 1620 "Building and Buildings, The Construction Products Regulations 1991" — made 15 July 1991, laid before Parliament 22 July 1991, coming into force 27 December 1991, and amended by the Construction Products (Amendment) Regulations 1994 (Statutory Instrument 1994, No 3051).
- 3. Common Procedural Rules for Requesting, Preparing and the Granting of European Technical Approvals(2).
- 4. Guideline for European Technical Approval of Post-tensioning Kits for Prestressing of Structures. ETAG013 Edition June 2002.

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References:

⁽¹⁾ Official Journal of the European Communities No L40, 11.02, 1989, page 12.

⁽²⁾ Official Journal of the European Communities No L17, 20.01, 1994, page 34.

II. SPECIFIC CONDITIONS OF THE EUROPEAN TECHNICAL APPROVAL

1. Definition of product(s) and intended use

1.1 Definition of product(s)

This European Technical Approval (ETA) applies to the post-tensioning kit supplied by Macalloy Ltd: **"Macalloy 1030 Post Tensioning System"**

The kit as supplied comprises:

Tensile element

- Plain bar: prEN 10138-4-Y-1030-H-25,0/40,0-P
- Ribbed bar: prEN 10138-4-Y-1030-H-25,0/50,0-R (cold rolled thread)

Coupling

• Steel fixed threaded coupling device.

Anchorage

• Square steel anchor plate with an unthreaded hole, washer and nut.

Bursting reinforcement*

• Additional reinforcement placed in the anchorage zone complying with EN 10080.

Ducts*

- Steel strip ducts complying with EN 523
- Corrugated plastic ducts complying with ETAG 013 Clause C.3

Filling material*

- Grout complying with EN 447
- Grease complying with ETAG 013 Clause C.4.1
- Wax complying with ETAG 013 Clause C.4.2

* Not supplied with the kit by the ETA holder

1.2 Intended use

The PT-system is intended for the prestressing of concrete structures:

• Internal unbonded tendons

Optional use category

• Internal bonded tendons

The provisions made in this ETA are based on an assumed intended working life of 100 years for permanent corrosion protection.

The assumed intended working life cannot be interpreted as a guarantee given by the manufacturer or Approval Body but is to be regarded as a means for choosing appropriate components and materials in relation to the expected, economically reasonable working life of the construction works.

2. Characteristics of product(s) and methods of verification

Macalloy's bar post-tensioning kit "Macalloy 1030 Post Tensioning Systems" is an internal bonded or unbonded system.

The kit supplied by Macalloy comprises plain bar 25mm-40mm diameter and ribbed bar 25mm-50mm diameter complying with prEN 10138, threaded coupler, anchor plate, washer and nut.

The additional components not supplied by Macalloy are specified to comply with ETAG013.

The concrete transfer strength of the system is $f_{cm, 0, cube} = 35$ MPa in accordance with EN 206-1: 2000.

2.1 Anchorages

The anchorages consist of steel square end plates, washers and nut. Details are given in Annex A.

2.2 Couplings

The couplers consist of steel tubes with an internal parallel thread. Details are given in Annex B.

2.3 Tendons

The tendons consist of plain and ribbed high tensile bars complying with prEN 10138-4-Y-1030-H and have the following properties:

Diameter mm	25	26.5	32	36	40	50*		
Characteristic value of maximum force kN	506	568	828	1048	1294	2022		
Maximum prestress force	405	454	662	834	1035	1618		
* prEN 10138-4-Y-1030-H-50,0-R only (ribbed)								

Table 1 Tendon properties

2.3.1 Tendon elongation under load

The following information can be used to calculate the tendon elongation under load $0.7f_{pk}$ to 0.75 f_{pk} .

Bar secant Modulus of Elasticity $(0.05f_{pk} \text{ to } 0.7 \text{ } f_{pk}) = 170 \text{ KN/mm}^2$ approximately. Bar Modulus of Elasticity within elastic range = 182 KN/mm²approximately. Typical displacement at fixed anchorage = 1.5mm - 2.0mm. Typical displacement at coupler = 1mm.

2.3.2 Losses at load transfer from jack to anchorage

Table 2

Diameter (mm)	25 – 36 inclusive	40 – 50 inclusive
*Single stress	1.5 mm	2 mm
U	0.6 mm	0.7 mm
cycles.		

*When loaded to 0.7fpk to 0.75fpk

2.4 Friction loss

2.4.1 Friction in the jacks

All jacks supplied by Macalloy Ltd are calibrated against a master gauge before despatch and the loads exerted by the ram are tabulated against the pressure gauge readings. Any friction on the jack is therefore allowed for if the calibration readings are used to control the applied load.

Electrical or mechanical load cells are available for the recalibration of jacks and gauges on site, or to control loading with greater accuracy than that provided by commercial pressure gauges.

Loads calculated from pressure gauge readings based on the jacks ram areas do not include an allowance for friction in the jack. Values should be obtained from the jack supplier.

2.4.2 Friction in the anchorage

There is no friction loss in single bar anchorages.

2.4.3 Friction due to variations in the duct profile or wobble of the duct

(a) Eurocode 2, EN 1992-1-1: 2004, as described below.

$$\Delta P_{\mu}(x) = P_{\max}(1 - e^{-\mu . kx})$$

where:

 $\Delta P_{\mu}(x)$ (kN) is the loss of load due to friction at distance x from the anchorage.

 P_{max} (kN) is the prestressing force immediately after the anchorage (ie at distance x=0).

μ	is the coefficient of friction between bar and duct.
	$\mu = 0.33$ for smooth bars (unthreaded).
	$\mu = 0.65$ for fully threaded bars.
k (rad/m)	is the unintentional angular displacement per unit length.
	The value of k is greater than 0.005 and less than 0.01.
<i>x</i> (m)	is the distance along the tendon from where the prestressing force is at
	a maximum (i.e. distance from P_o).

2.4.4 Friction due to curvature of the tendon profile

Macalloy 1030 bars are designed to be used as straight bars / tendons. There is therefore no friction loss due to curvature of the tendon profile, when the tendon is placed straight. Unintentional variations in the tendon profile can be assumed to be in the range 0.005 to 0.01 radians per metre. Losses as a result of unintentional variations in the tendon profile can be calculated as above.

2.4.5 Minimum radius of curvature

Macalloy 1030 bars are designed to be used as straight bars / tendons.

2.5 Anchorages

2.5.1 Anchorage spacing and edge distance

The minimum anchorage spacing and edge distance are specified in Annex C.

2.5.2 Concrete strength

The minimum concrete strength is $f_{cm, 0, cube} = 35$ MPa in accordance with EN 206-1: 2000.

2.5.3 Concrete Cover

The concrete cover of the tendon my under no circumstances be less than 20mm or smaller than the concrete cover of the reinforcement installed in the same cross section. The respective standards and regulations on concrete cover valid at the place of use should be considered.

3. Evaluation of Conformity and CE marking

3.1 Attestation of Conformity system

The system of attestation of conformity specified by the European Commission in mandate 98/456/EC is system 1+, with audit testing of samples, described in Council Directive (89/106/EEC) Annex III and is detailed as follows:

a) Tasks for the manufacturer

- (1) Factory production control
- (2) Further testing of samples taken at the factory by the manufacturer in accordance with a prescribed test plan.

(b) Tasks for the Approved Body:

- (1) Initial type testing of the product.
- (2) Initial inspection of factory and of factory production control (FPC).
- (3) Continuous surveillance, assessment and approval of factory production control (FPC).
- (4) Audit testing of samples.

3.2 Responsibilities

3.2.1 Tasks of the manufacturer

3.2.1.1. Factory production control

In accordance with ETAG013 clause 8.2.1.2.1, the manufacturer shall implement a quality management system complying with EN ISO 9001: 2000, including a quality plan that addresses the FPC requirements of ETAG013.

The quality plan shall specifically ensure that purchased product conforms to specified purchase requirements. The type and extent of control applied to the supplier and the purchased product shall be dependent upon the effect of the purchased product on subsequent product realization or the final product.

The manufacturer shall evaluate and select suppliers based on their ability to supply product in accordance with the manufacturer's requirements. Criteria for selection, evaluation and reevaluation shall be established. Records of the results of evaluations and any necessary actions arising from the evaluation shall be maintained.

In accordance with EN ISO9001: 2000, the manufacturer shall monitor and measure the characteristics of the product to verify that product requirements have been met. This shall be carried out at appropriate stages of the product realization process in accordance with the following test plan (Table 2).

Evidence of conformity with the test plan shall be maintained and shall indicate the person(s) authorizing release of product.

Product release and service delivery shall not proceed until the planned arrangements have been satisfactorily completed.

		Tes	t Plan		
Component	Item	Test/ Check	Traceability	Minimum frequency	Documentation
Bearing plate	material ¹	check	bulk ⁶	100 %	"2.2" ¹
	detailed	test		3 %	yes
	dimensions ⁵			≥ 2	
				specimen	
	visual inspection ³	check		100 %	no
	Strength	check		5%≥2	"3.1" ¹
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Nut, washer and coupling	Material ¹	check	full	100 %	"3.1" ¹
1 0	treatment,	test		0,5 %	yes
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				specimen	
	detailed	test		5 %	yes
	dimensions ⁵			≥ 2	
				specimen	
	visual inspection ³	check		100 %	No
Tensile element (bar) and thread form	material ⁷	check	"CE" ²	100 %	"CE" ²
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				coil/bundle	
	visual	check		each bundle	no
	inspection ³				
	thread form	check		each bundle	no
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kinks, smoothness, corrosion, coating, etc., as given in the prescribed test plan
full : full traceability of each component to its raw material.

bulk : traceability of each delivery of components to a defined point.

5 Detailed dimensions mean measuring of all dimensions and angles according to the specification as given in the prescribed test plan

5 Only if the force transfer unit is a "simple" plate. Otherwise appropriate procedures have to be introduced.

Table 3 Test plan

3.2.2 Tasks of approved body

3.2.2.1 Initial type-testing of the product

The results of the tests performed as part of the initial assessment for this European Technical Approval may be used unless there are changes in the manufacturing process or plant. In such cases, the necessary initial type-testing shall be agreed between and UK Certification Authority for Reinforcing Steels and the approved body involved.

3.2.2.2 Initial inspection of factory and of factory production control

The approved body shall audit the manufacturer's factory production control system including the prescribed test plan (Table 2) to ensure that the PT system complies with this ETA.

3.2.2.3 Continuous surveillance

The approved body shall audit the manufacturer's factory production control system including the prescribed test plan (Table 2) at least once a year to ensure that the PT system continues to comply with this ETA.

3.2.2.4 Audit testing of samples

The approved body shall select component samples during surveillance audits and check for compliance with the above test plan (Table 2).

3.2.2.5 Certification

The approved body shall issue a certificate of product conformity as evidence of compliance with this ETA.

3.3. CE marking

The CE marking shall be affixed to the delivery note.

The CE mark shall be accompanied by the following information:

- Name or identifying mark of the producer and plant.
- The last two digits of the year in which the marking was affixed.
- The numbers of the certificates of conformity.
- The ETA number.
- The use categories.
- The number of the approved body involved.
- The product's identity (commercial name).

4. Assumptions under which the fitness of the product(s) for the intended use was favourably assessed

4.1 Manufacturing

The Macalloy 1030 Post Tensioning System shall be manufactured in accordance with this European Technical Approval and the production shall be covered by a current product conformity certificate in accordance with ETAG013.

4.2 Installation

The Macalloy 1030 Post Tensioning System shall be installed by an experienced specialist PT contractor in accordance with the installation instructions given in Annex D using the specified equipment.

Post-tensioning design shall comply with the recommendations given in this ETA and the anchorage shall be detailed in accordance with the bursting reinforcement requirements given in Annex D of this ETA.

Stressing shall not be undertaken until the minimum specified concrete transfer strength has been achieved.

Components supplied by third parties that are included in this ETA (and not supplied by the ETA holder) shall comply with the requirements of this European Technical Approval.

All necessary information to enable satisfactory installation shall be supplied by the ETA holder with the PT kit.

5. Recommendations for the manufacturer.

5.1 Recommendations on packaging, transport and storage

The ETA holder shall package the PT kit components to prevent corrosion, chemical change and mechanical damage during transportation to the end user.

The ETA holder shall give instructions for suitable storage on site to prevent corrosion, chemical change and mechanical damage.

5.2 Recommendations on use, maintenance, repair

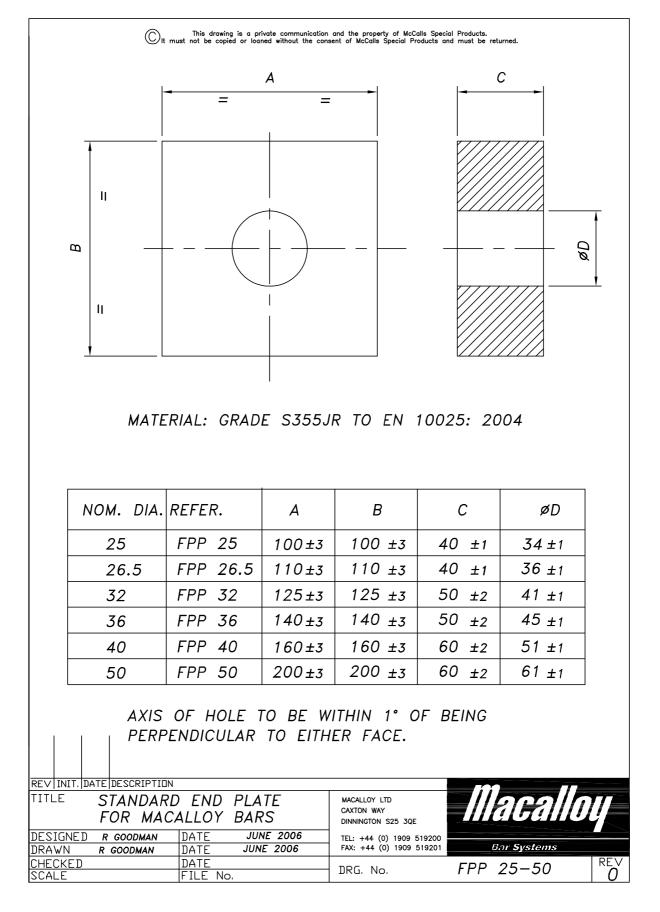
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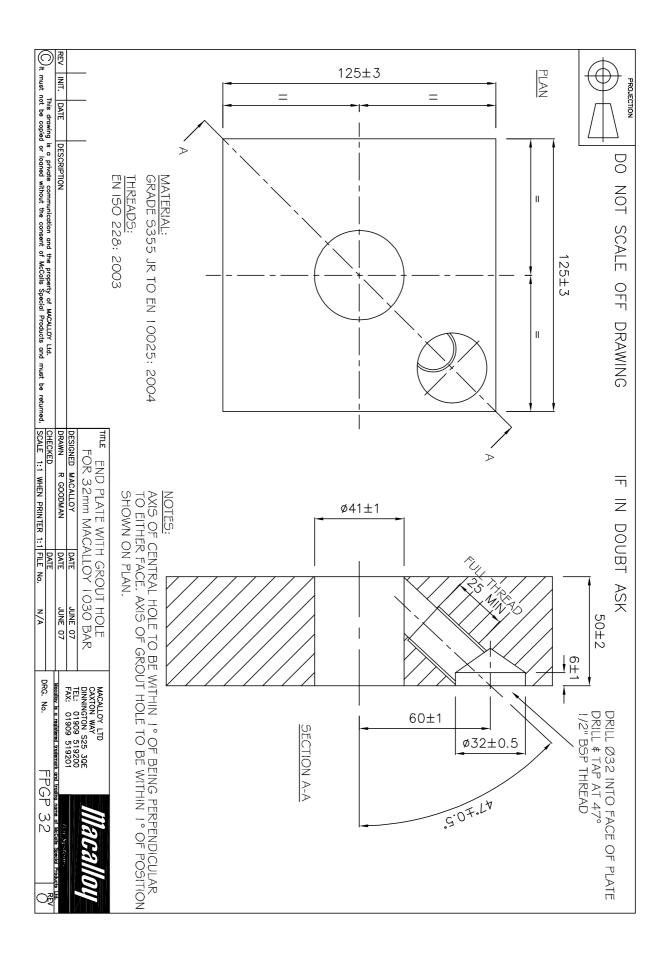
The Macalloy 1030 Post Tensioning bar system requires no maintenance provided that it is protected from mechanical damage and corrosion. Protection may also be required against fire damage.

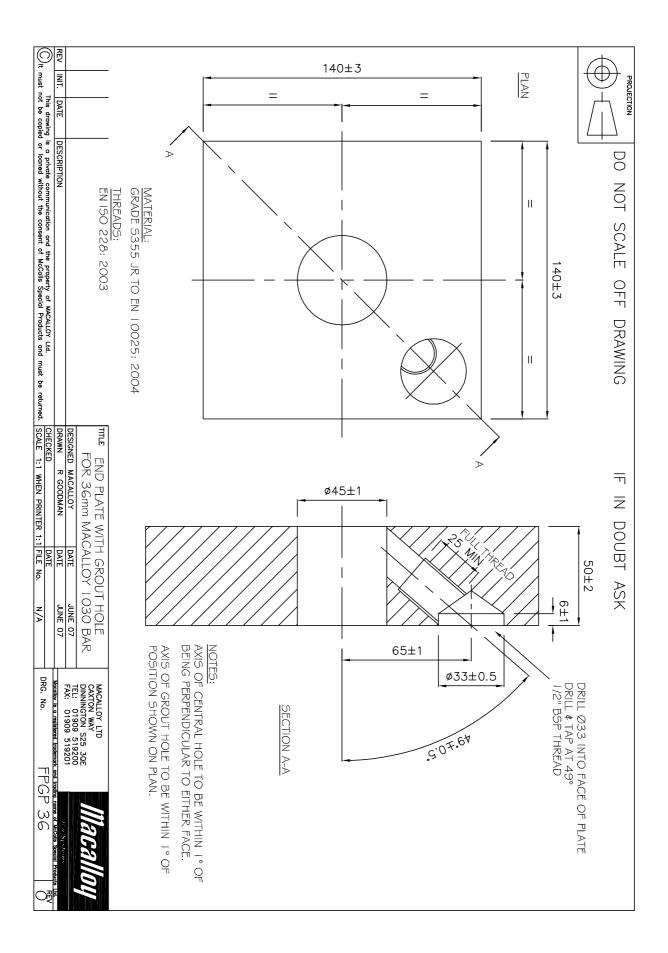
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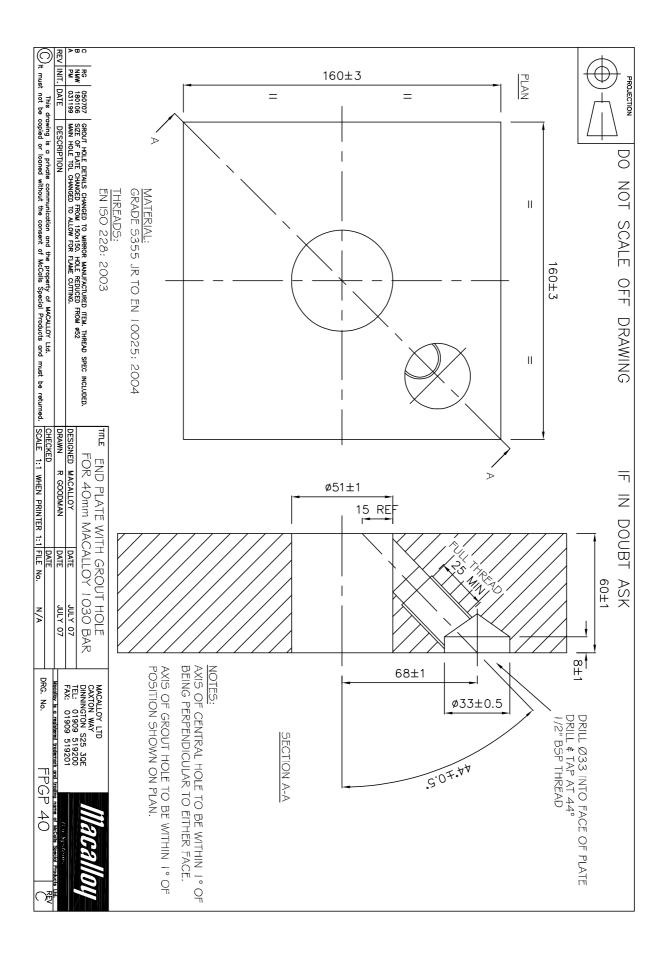
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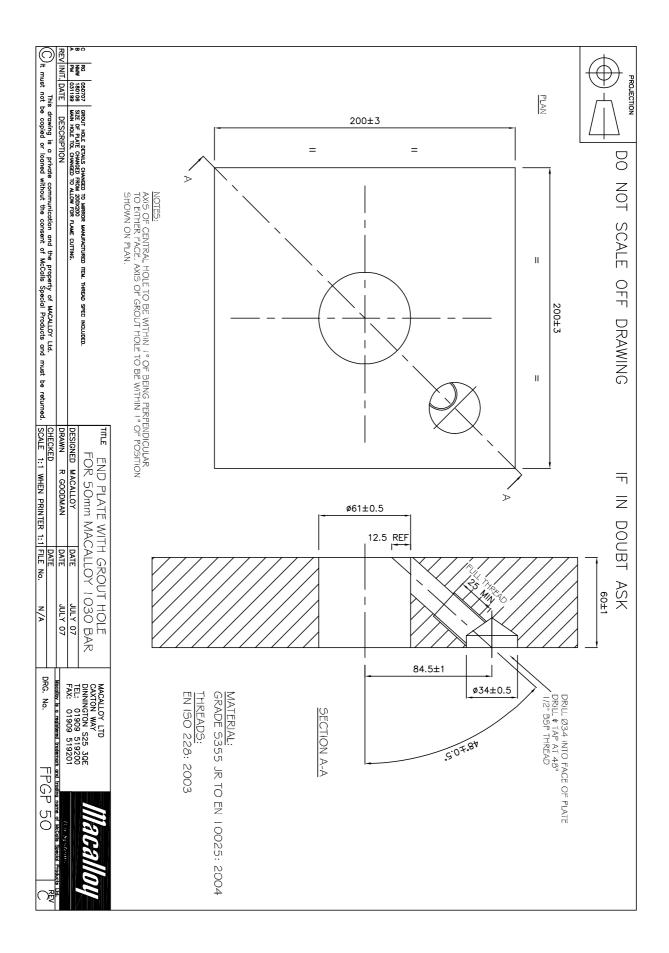
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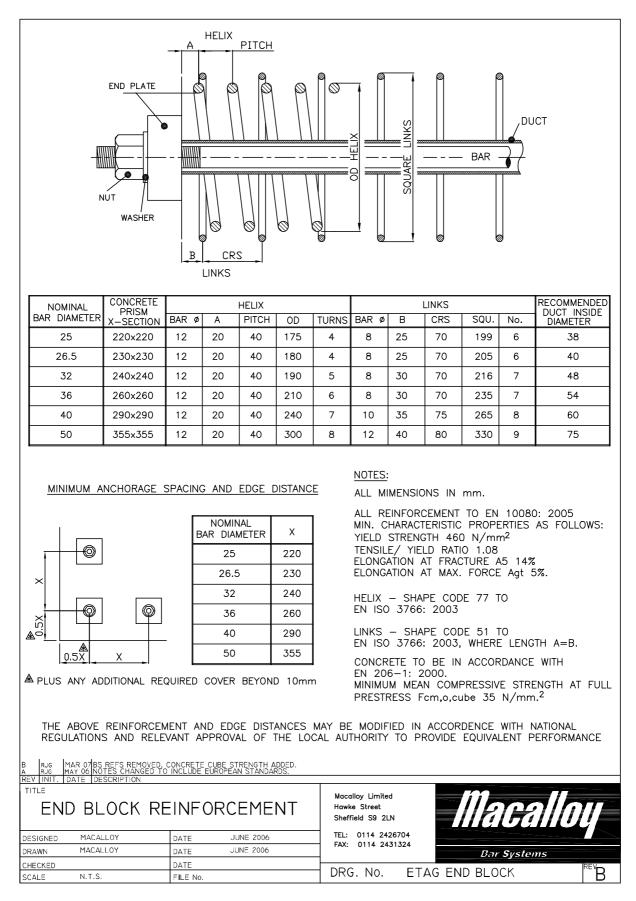
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Annex B Couplings

Annex C Bursting Reinforcement



Annex D Installation Procedures



SITE PRACTICE GUIDANCE NOTES FOR

MACALLOY 1030 POST TENSIONING BAR

SYSTEM

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1. INTRODUCTION

This guide provides site personnel with advice on the handling, storage, installation, safety and certification requirements for the correct use of Macalloy 1030 Post Tensioning Bars. Further information and advice is available from Macalloy Ltd.

The Macalloy 1030 Post Tensioning system complies with the requirements of ETAG 013, Guideline for European Technical Approval of Post Tensioning Kits for Prestressing of Structures (these are commonly called Post Tensioning Systems), for internal bonded and un-bonded tendons for concrete and composite structures.

A jack operating instruction guide is also available on request.

Stressing jacks together with auxiliary equipment are available for hire. A full site stressing service is available. Further details and quotations are available on request.

A design data booklet is available, which contains further technical details and design data. It is primarily aimed for use by designers, specifiers and consultant engineers. A copy of the Design Data booklet is available on request.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS FOR HANDLING AND USE

2.1 Bar Handling

Macalloy 1030 Post Tensioning Bars should be stored on suitable battens, raising them above the ground. The battens should be at a minimum of 3m centres along the bar length. The bars should be protected using temporary covers. During handling, car should be taken to avoid local damage or bending. While light rusting is not harmful to the bars, deep corrosion pitting must be avoided.

Macalloy 1030 bars should not be welded, subject to local heating or splashed with weld metal. All of which can change the metallurgical properties of the steel.

Bar threads must be clean before being engaged into a female thread. Bar threads can be lightly oiled to assist assembly. Superficial damage to the threads may be repairable by experienced personnel. However, re-cutting the thread form on site is impossible. The thread form is a proprietary one designed to be robust on site.

2.2 Tendon Handling

All female threads should be clean before assembly. Lightly oiling internal threads may aid assembly.

Bars should be engaged to the mid point of all couplers.

Bars should protrude by at least two thread form pitches beyond the nut or threaded plate – see Figure 1.

2.3 Maintenance

The Macalloy 1030 Post Tensioning bar system requires no maintenance provided that it is protected from mechanical damage and corrosion. Protection may also be required against fire damage.

Occasionally, there may be a requirement to reassess the tensile load in a tendon, some time after installation and stressing. Provided that access can be gained to one end, where a nut and bearing plate exist and that the thread beyond the nut is of sufficient length and not corroded, a jack can be reattached and the load in the tendon assessed.

2.4 Repair

If any part of the Macalloy 1030 system suffers from mechanical damage or corrosion, or is subject to extreme heat as a result of a fire, then the manufacturer must be contacted to assess the damage. Light surface corrosion is generally permitted provided no pitting corrosion is present.

3. DUCTS

Steel ducts should be in accordance with EN 523: 1997 and EN 524: 1997.

Plastic ducts should be in accordance with the requirements of ETAG013. The duct should be large enough to allow both the insertion of the bar and to facilitate grouting. Normally a maximum tendon to duct area ratio of 0.4 to 0.45 should be used. This ratio is defined as the cross sectional area of steel bar, divided by the internal cross sectional area of the duct. This ratio can be increased (i.e. duct inside diameter decreased) provided that grouting trials show that the duct can be satisfactorily grouted.

4. CALCULATION OF BAR AND THREAD LENGTHS

4.1 Bar Lengths

Calculation of the overall length of bar is by measurement along the tendon profile and adding the thickness of both end plates plus an allowance for attaching the prestressing jack at one or both ends of the bar. When jacking at one end only, allowance must be made for a nut or tapped plate to be fitted at the opposite end. Table 4 provides details of the allowances necessary for attaching the prestressing jacks.

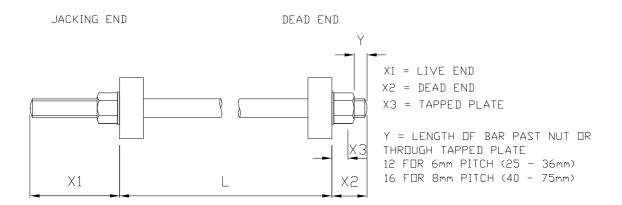


Figure 1 - BAR LENGTH CALCULATION

Table 4 - JACKING ALLOWANCE

Tendon	25	26.5	32	36	40	50
Jacking one end only X1 + X2 mm (min)	131	144	162	177	201	256
Jacking both ends	164	182	210	230	260	332
2 x X1 mm (min)						
Tapped Plate One end	94	103	117	127	146	181
X1 + X3 mm (min)						

4.2 Thread Lengths

The thread length at a jacking end must allow for attaching the jack plus elongation of the bar under working load.

The standard jacking thread is 250mm long which caters for tendon lengths up to 18m jacked one end or 36m jacked both ends. Additional thread length is needed for longer tendons at the rate of 25mm extra thread for each 5m of bar when jacked at one end or 10m of bar if jacked at both ends.

Standard thread lengths for jacking ends, dead ends and coupled joints are listed in Table 5.

Bar dia	25	26.5	32	36	40	50
mm						
Jacking End	250	250	250	250	250	250
mm						
Dead End	100	100	100	100	100	100
mm						
Coupled Joint	45	50	60	65	75	85
mm						

Table 5 - STANDARD THREAD LENGTHS

Alternatively, the manufacturing details may be stated as follows:

"*x*" No. of Macalloy bars "*d*" diameter x "*l*" overall length with end threads of length "*S1*" and "*S2*".

5. INSTALLATION AND STRESSING

5.1 Operators

Macalloy Ltd can provide a site stressing service. However, it is not uncommon for a contractor to carry out their own site operations or to employ a specialist third party contractor (post tensioning specialist). A post tensioning specialist will usually fix, stress and grout, or call upon Macalloy to carry out the stressing operation. Macalloy Ltd's approved stressing equipment should always be used. It is recommended that the specialist post tensioning contractor has a quality system that complies with the requirements of ISO 9001.

5.2 Equipment

A jack operating manual is available on request. This manual details the safe operation of all stressing equipment supplied by Macalloy Ltd.

The load measuring system employed, shall have an appropriate calibration certificate, not older than 6 months.

Macalloy jacks are calibrated against calibrated and certified load cells prior to being despatched from Macalloy premises. The load cells are calibrated against a UKAS approved tensile machine accurate to class 1 or 0.5 (depending on the load range). The load cells are checked at every 100 kN load intervals and any error recorded. If the error is greater than 1% the load cell is recalibrated. Across the whole calibrated range the uncertainty of jack load measurement is less than 2%.

If the measuring system employed is a manometer and a separate calibration is used, a minimum of two manometers should be available on site, with a calibration certificate that is not older than 6 months. They should be verified with a standard manometer every 100 stressing cycles.

5.3 Safety

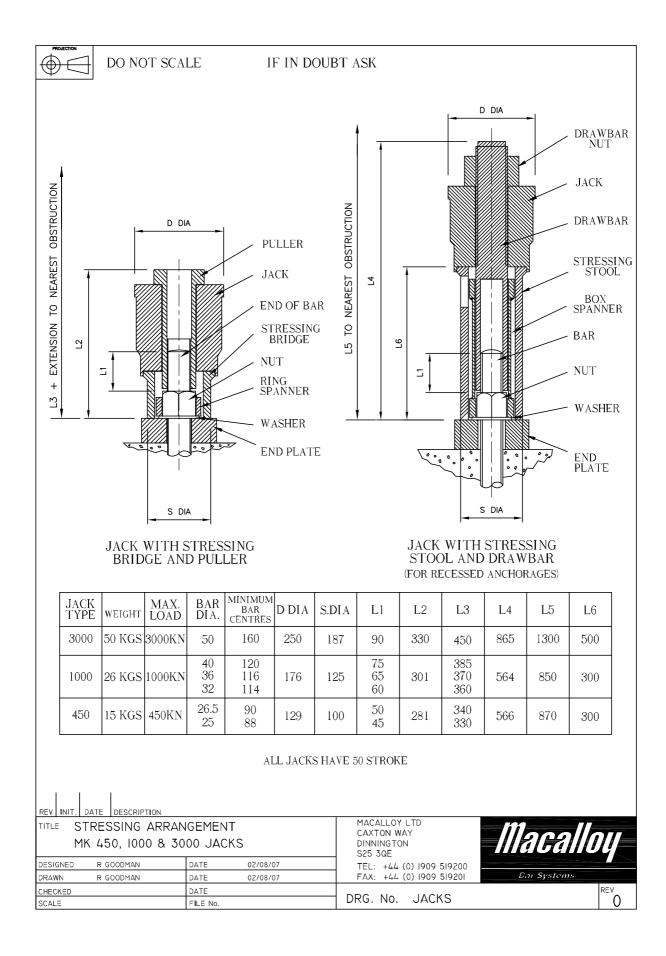
It must be ensured that stressing equipment operators are competent in stressing as well as the use of any on site equipment. Although stressing should be a simple and safe operation, any carelessness or inappropriate use of equipment can have serious consequences. If necessary, adequate scaffolding or suspended movable platforms must be provided, together with lifting facilities such as a gantry. The scaffolding must be erected in accordance with applicable regulations and must be provided with a guard rail, access etc. The area for the work should be cleared and the platform erected at the correct height and sufficiently wide to enable the stressing work to be carried out.

Strong barricades should be erected at each end of the tendon in line with exposed ends during stressing. The barricades should be strong enough to absorb a significant proportion of the tendon energy if it should be accidentally released. The space between the tendon anchorage and the barricade should be roped off to prevent unauthorised passage. Notices stating 'DANGER – Tensioning in Progress' or similar, should be positioned in the immediate vicinity.

The hydraulic or hand pump equipment should be placed to one side and never in line with the bar being stresses.

Workmen and stressing operators must stay clear of each end of the bar during stressing. They must always stand to one side and never in line with the bar being stressed.

The operator should never use his fingers for tightening the nut or adjusting any fittings when the jack is under load.



5.4 Checks to be made before Stressing

Before stressing is carried out, it must be verified that the tendon and the conditions of tensioning are as per the specification and design details. In particular:

- (1) The concrete, jointing material and bearing material, as applicable, have gained the required strength. It is recommended that the appropriate test certificates are attached to the stressing records.
- (2) The test certificates for the bars to be stressed are available.
- (3) The space for the jack must be sufficient.
- (4) The element or structure should posses the required strength of degree of freedom under the pre-stressing force.
- (5) The tendons shall be free to move in the ducts and the bars must be in the correct location in relation to the anchorage zone reinforcement.
- (6) The surface to support the jack must have the correct shape and inclination.
- (7) The anchorages must be in their correct position and alignment. Misalignment of anchor plates up to 2 degrees can be accommodated without any loss of anchorage strength. Any misalignment in excess of this must be rectified by the use of suitable tapered plates or by re-bedding the plates.
- (8) A valid and signed jack calibration certificate must be supplied before the jack is used. The certificate must relate the actual force the jack exerts to the indicated hydraulic pressure or force. This calibration requirement is to ensure that the friction developed within the jack is taken account of. New calibration tests should be undertaken if either jack or gauge is replaced, or after 100 stressing operations, or after one weeks use, whichever is sooner.
- (9) The jack should at all times be supported independently and never permitted to hang on the bar, which could cause damage to the threads and induce bending into the bar.
- (10)The hydraulic hose should connect the jack and pump in an easy curve and should never be trapped against a sharp edge. Damaged hydraulic hoses must not be used for stressing.

5.5 The Stressing Operation

Prior to stressing, all calibrated pressure or force gauges should be treated with care as rough handling during transit or on site can upset the calibration.

Tendons must be stressed in the sequence indicated by the approved stressing schedules, which also indicated the stressing force. If the elongation of the tendon or the relevant force does not agree with the stressing instruction, the engineer responsible shall be consulted.

It is recommended that during stressing gauge readings are checked against the bars measured extension. The zero extension reading should be taken when the jack is just starting to take load and all the slack in the bar is taken up. A correlation between force and extension can be made by making use of the Modulus of Elasticity value given on the bar test certificate. Note that when stressing short tendons, the errors in measuring extension are larger than those measured for long tendons.

The stressing operation should be carried out under a steady and smooth increase in pressure and elongation of the pre-stressing steel. Constant watch must be maintained and should any irregularity occur (sharp noise etc), the operation must be stopped and the cause investigated.

The stressing operation should not be carried out at temperatures below 0 degrees C, without the approval of the engineer.

Documentation recording the stressing operation, as indicated in Section 8, must be maintained.

During stressing the nut should be tightened against the washer as the bar extends.

During the stressing operation, it may be necessary to partially or completely detension the tendon. This should be carried out in a controlled and progressive manor, while the jack is in place. The full load in the bar should be taken by the jack, while the nut is wound back from the bearing plate, the load should then be progressively released until the bar is completely de-stressed. If the jack ram extension runs out prior to the complete de-stressing, the nut should be wound tightly against the bearing plate, prior to the operation being repeated.

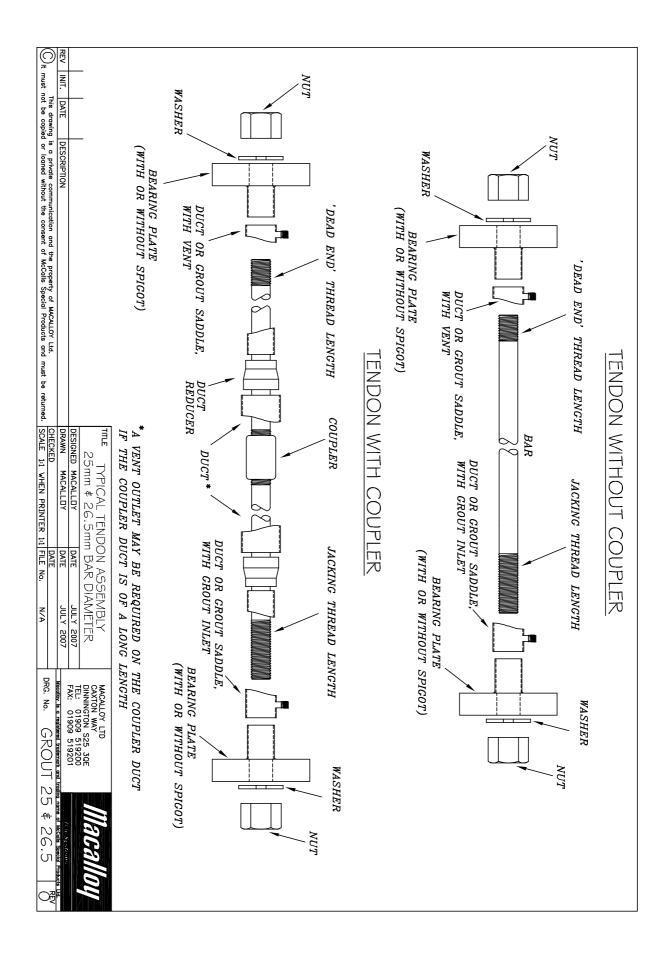
6. FINAL OPERATIONS

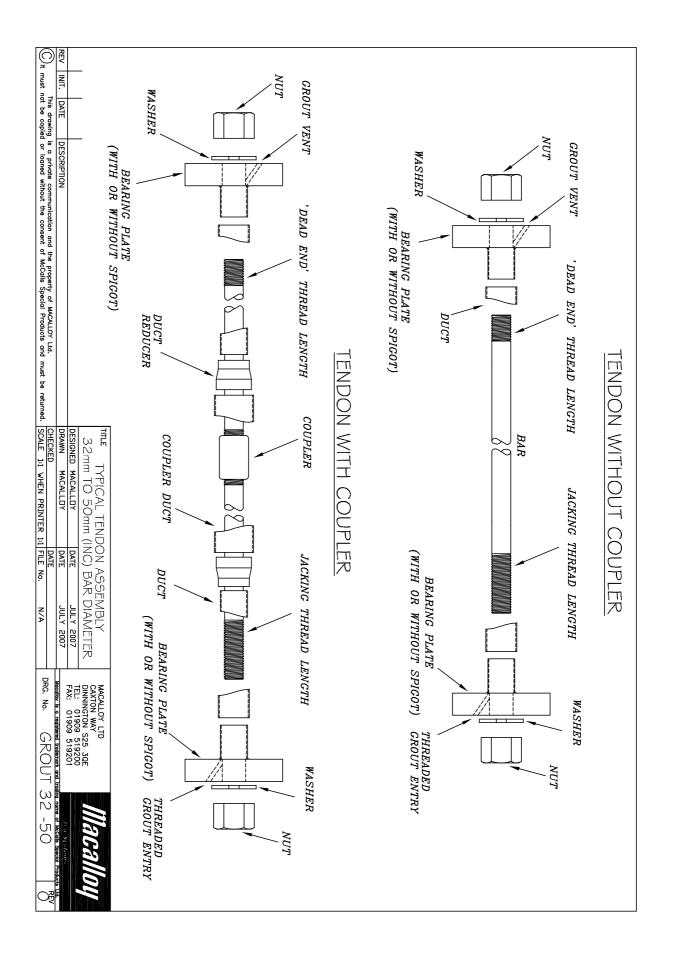
6.1 Grouting

Unless other forms of corrosion protection are used, grout should be pumped under pressure between the duct and bar. The grout and grouting procedures should be in accordance with EN 446 and EN 447. Special grout requirements are covered by ETAG013.

For 25mm and 26.5mm bar diameters, reference should be made to drawing 'Grout 25 & 26.5'. Grout should be injected between the bar and duct via a duct or grout saddle, with a grout inlet. Air is then vented via an air vent or similar duct or grout saddle with grout vent. The grout inlet should generally be positioned at the lower end of the tendon and the air vent at the higher end. If the tendon is horizontal, it is acceptable to grout as shown. For horizontal tendons with couplers, a grout vent may be required at the highest point of the duct over the coupler, in order to fully encapsulate the bar and prevent air pockets.

For 32mm to 50mm bar diameters, inclusive, reference should be made to drawing 'GROUT 35-50'. Grout should be injected between the bar and duct via bearing plates with inclined grout holes. The grout inlet should be at the lowest end of the tendon with the grout being injected into the bottom of the duct. The air vent hole should be at the highest end of the tendon, venting from the top of the duct.





6.2 Cutting off Excess Bar Thread

Excess bar thread may be cut off after stressing by sawing or disc cutting.

When disc cutting, a liberal supply of water is needed over the bar during the operation to limit the heat developed and surrounding bars should be protected from sparks or spatter. The cut must take no longer than 20 seconds and be at least 25mm from the nut.

6.3 Protection to Anchorage

Consideration to the corrosion protection of all exposed or outside surfaces should be made e.g. the bearing plate, nut, washer and bar end. If required, the bearing plate and washer may be hot dip galvanized to EN ISO 1461: 1999. The nut and bar should not be hot dip galvanized. The bearing plate, nut, washer and bar end can, if necessary, be painted with a suitable paint system. An anchor head cap can, if necessary be fitted over the bar end, nut and washer and bolted to the bearing plate, with a gasket between the two. It is common to fill anchor head caps with a corrosion inhibiting grease or similar.

7. Documentation

A quality assurance plan should be implemented prior to the start of work on site. The recommended minimum requirements of such a plan are detailed in Annex D3 of ETAG 013.

It is useful to set out a project data sheet as a means of producing a permanent record of the work carried out, the desired load and extension values for each Macalloy bar and the measurements taken during jacking. The following layout can be adopted.

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Proposed Project Data Sheet & Stressing Record

Project:
Section or Boy Deference:
Section or Bay Reference:
Date of Stressing
Concrete:
Date Cast
Cube Crushing Strength :
N/mm ² atdays.
N/mm ² at days.
N/mm² atdays.
Drestressing / Dest Tensioning Steel
Prestressing / Post Tensioning Steel:
Macalloy 1030 nominal bar diameter
Characteristic ultimate tensile stress: 1030 N/mm"
Minimum 0.1% proof stress: 835 N/mm"
Nominal cross sectional area:mm"
Characteristic failure load:
Minimum 0.1% proof load:kN
Modulus of elasticity:kN/mm" (taken from test certificate) Relaxation at 70% UTS after 1000 hrs: 3% typicall.
Tendon:
Type: bonded un-bonded internal external (circle one)
Corrosion protection: grout plastic duct & grout Denso tape Denso tape & duct Other (specify)
Duct dimensions:
Unintentional deviation / wobble coefficientrad/m.
Duct support spacing
Anchorages:
Anchor bearing plate size – live (stressing end)
Anchor bearing plate size – dead end
Spacing:
Min edge distance:

1

Stressing Record								
		Calculated	Measure Values					
Bar Mark	Dia (mm)	Extension (mm)	Initial Ram Position	Load	Final Ram Position	Load	Total Extension	Remarks
1								
2								
3								
4								
5								

Annex E References

EN 1992-1-1: 2004 Eurocode 2: Design of concrete structures

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EN 10080: 2005 Steel for the reinforcement of concrete – Weldable reinforcing steel EN 10025: 2004 Hot rolled products of structural steels

EN 523 Steel strip sheaths for prestressing tendons - Terminology, requirements, quality control, (1997)

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EN 524 – Parts 1 to 6: Steel strip sheaths for prestressing tendons - Test methods – Part 1: Determination of shape and dimensions; Part 2: Determination of flexural

behaviour; Part 3: To and fro bending test; Part 4: Determination of lateral load resistance; Part 5: Determination of tensile load resistance; Part 6: Determination of leak tightness (Determination of water loss), (1997)

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