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Transverse forces V<sub>Rd II</sub> in parallel direction technically approved

Solid, static transverse force model through 2 or more loops

> Especially high transmission of transverse forces through shear interlock in VS® Slim Box/Plus Box

Tested and approved for wall thicknesses from 100 mm



possible to plan

- Approved by the building authorities
- No requirement for ring beams or tie rods
- Can sustain constraining forces







## VS<sup>®</sup>-System3D Slim + ISI – the slimline high-performance athlete for wall elements

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## Advantages of VS® ISI System<sup>3D</sup>

- Simple installation because non-directional
- No additional formwork measures required – profiles form the whole joint profile
- Optimised joint geometries less mortar needed
- Low error potential (no formwork)
- Flexible joint filling with grout and jointing mortar
- Symmetrical loop arrangement simple "ISI"

building regulations approval DIBT DIN 1045-1





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Advantages of VS® Box Systems

General building regulations approval DIBT

DIN 1045-1

- User-defined spacing depending on static requirements
- Ultra-simple and logisticallyoptimised provisioning and scheduling
- Maximum design resistances can be implemented
- Can be used for walls from 100 mm (VS® Slim Box)





## Advantage in the quality

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- Convenient handling due to deliveries of all VS<sup>®</sup> products in stackable hardcover cardboard boxes which protect from damage
- Constant "Made in Germany" quality through semiautomated production
- Continuous flow sheet steelprofiles without many perforations with associated risk of leakage



## Advantage thanks to comprehensive verification

- Full range of applications high design resistances for all loading directions
- High force-bearing capacities due to better load-bearing model



 Tested and approved for thinnest wall elements from 100 mm



## Advantage for the designer

Building safety through technical approvals

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- For outdoor units and indoor units
- Can be used in fire prevention walls





Professional software for simple dimensioning as free of charge customer service

# Maximum efficiency and performance – PFEIFER VS<sup>®</sup> Box systems



# PFEIFER VS<sup>®</sup> Slim Box PFEIFER VS<sup>®</sup> Plus Box

Item no. 05.035 Item no. 05.032

For connections in precast part construction with mainly static loads:

- Tensile forces
- · Parallel and vertical transverse forces General building regulations approval DIBT DIN 1045-1 General building regulations approval DIBT DIN 1045-1

Materials: Box: Galvanised steel Steel wire rope: High-strength, galvanised Steel ferrules Cover: Tape



The PFEIFER VS® Slim Box and VS® Plus Box serve as connection of wall-like concrete precast parts. They can transmit forces in all three directions on the connecting joints and consist of a sturdy steel sheet box suitable for building applications which contains the foldout, flexible wire rope connecting loops. Wall joints can be manufactured cost effectively, easily and safely. The

Reinforcement technology VS<sup>®</sup> Slim Box VS<sup>®</sup> Plus Box

VS<sup>®</sup> Slim Box enables connections from a thickness of 100 mm.

The very good flow characteristics and self-compacting VS® PAGEL® grout fills the joint.

The VS® FDS air tube formwork enables especially fast and effective casting.





Order no.	Туре			Dim	ensions ir	Colour clip	Packing	Weight approx.			
		b	I	h	d	L	SL	В		unit/ea.	kg/ea.
05.035.080	VS <sup>®</sup> Slim Box	50	180	20	3	192	80	60	blue	400	0.40
05.032.100	VS <sup>®</sup> Plus Box	80	220	25	3	217	100	60	blue	250	0.45

Ordering example for 4000 PFEIFER VS® Plus Boxes: 4000 PFEIFER VS® Plus Boxes order no. 05.032.100



## General installation instructions for the approved VS<sup>®</sup> Slim Box System and VS<sup>®</sup> Plus Box System

#### Application notes

The PFEIFER VS® Slim Box and VS® Plus Box Systems are suitable for the connection of steel reinforced concrete precast walls of concrete quality C30/37 and better. The components of the system are the VS® Slim Box/Plus Box and the corresponding VS® PAGEL® grout (Figure 1). The system is only this effective if used in this combination.

The VS®-Slim/Plus-Box can be used for connections according to Figures  $2-5. \label{eq:scalar}$ 

The wall connection is durable from wall thicknesses of d = 10 cm (VS<sup>®</sup> Slim Box) and d = 14 cm (VS<sup>®</sup> Plus Box) for **influences from all three directions** (**3D**) and for influences from mainly predominantly static loads (Fig. 7). The minimum joint geometry is shown in Fig. 6.

With regard to this, please also observe the complementary instructions in the technical approval.



Figure 6: Joint geometry





#### Dimensioning

The concrete precast parts of steelreinforced concrete to be joined must be dimensioned by the responsible designer according to DIN1045-1 in a minimum concrete quality of C30/37. Connections with the VS® Slim Box/ Plus Box System are considered as reinforced joint with design resistances for tensile and transverse forces. Appropriate design resistances are listed in Tables 1 and 2. For dimensioning the connection, the evidence of compliance for each load direction must then be conducted individually. It must be noted that, in addition to the tensile force acting from outside, the tensile forces resulting from the acting transverse forces must also be taken into account.

If no external tensile force should be applied, a simplified analysis via an interaction diagram (Figure 8) in accordance with the approval can be used. The acting expansion forces then need to be validated.

Crack widths due to constraint forces must be limited (DIN 1045-1 Table 18).

Table 1: Design resistance of VS® Slim Box System

Wall	[	Design re	sistances	5	Design	Design								
thick-	Ver	tical tran	sverse fo	resistances	resistances									
noss		V [	kN/m1		Parallel trans.	Tensile force								
11033 [am]		VRd,⊥L	KIW/III]											
[cm]					verse force	Z <sub>Rd</sub> [KIN/BOX]								
					V <sub>Rd,   </sub> [kN/Box]									
	C 30/37	C35/45	C 40/50	C 45/55	All concrete	All concrete								
					qualities	qualities								
101)	4.5	F 0		F 0	07	10								
10"	4.5	5.2	5.5	5.9	27	18								
12 <sup>1)</sup>	7.0	8.0	8.5	9.1	27	18								
14	9.7	11.1	11.9	12.6	27	18								
16	12.7	14.4	15.5	16.5	27	18								
18	15.9	18.1	19.4	20.7	27	18								
20	19.3	21.9	23.5	25.1	27	18								
22	22.8	26.0	27.9	29.7	27	18								
≥24	26.6	30.3	32.5	34.6	27	18								

Transverse force carrying capacity  $V_{Rd,\perp}$  first formed from a joint/element length of  $\geq 1m$ Table 2: Design resistance of VS<sup>®</sup> Plus Box System

Figure 7: Transverse force, parallel and vertical to the joint and tensile force





Wall thick- ness [cm]	Ver	Design re tical tran V <sub>Rd,⊥</sub> [	esistance sverse fo kN/m]	Design resistance Parallel trans- verse force V <sub>Rd,  </sub> [kN/Box]	Design resistance Tensile force z <sub>Rd</sub> [kN/Box]	
	C 30/37	C35/45	C 40/50	C 45/55	All concrete qualities	All concrete qualities
<b>1</b> 4 <sup>1)</sup>	6.2	7.1	7.6	8.1	40	18
16 <sup>1)</sup>	8.9	10.1	10.9	11.6	40	18
18	11.9	13.5	14.5	15.5	40	18
20	15.0	17.1	18.4	19.6	40	18
22	18.4	21.0	22.5	40	18	
≥24	22.0	25.0	26.9	28.6	40	18

 $^{1)}$  Transverse force design resistance  $V_{Rd,\perp}$  first forms from a joint/element length of  ${\geq}1m$ 

#### Verification procedure

#### Transverse force parallel to the joint

For transverse forces parallel to the joint, the joint reinforced with the VS<sup>®</sup> Slim Box/Plus Box may be used for the carrying capacity limit state of the design resistance of the transverse force parallel to the joint V<sub>Rd,II</sub> in accordance with Table 1 (VS<sup>®</sup> Slim Box) or Table 2 (VS<sup>®</sup> Plus Box).



V<sub>Ed,II</sub> [kN/box]: Transverse force acting parallel per VS® Slim Box/Plus Box V<sub>Bd,II</sub> [kN/box]: Design resistance of the parallel transverse

force per box

 $v_{\text{Rd,II}} = n \cdot V_{\text{Rd,II}}$ 

 $V_{\mbox{\scriptsize Ed},\mbox{\scriptsize II}} =$  Transverse force parallel to the joint per box

 $v_{Fd,II}$  = Transverse force vertical to the joint per meter



**Caution:** Please aware that there is a shearforce  $v_{\text{Ed,II}}$  per meter and another single shearforce,  $v_{\text{Ed,II}}$ . In this situation the calculation is made with singel forces per box

#### Transverse force vertical to the joint

For transverse forces vertical to the joint reinforced with the VS<sup>®</sup> Slim/Plus Box, the dimensioning values  $V_{Rd+\perp}$  depending on the component thickness and the concrete strength class must be applied for the limit state of the carrying capacity in accordance with Table 1 (VS<sup>®</sup> Slim Box) or Table 2 (VS<sup>®</sup> Plus Box).

V <sub>Ed,⊥</sub> ,1 0	$V_{Ed,\perp}$ [kN/m]: Transverse force acting vertically per meter of joint length
$\overline{v_{\text{Rd},\perp}} \leq 1,0$	$V_{Rd,\perp}$ [kN/m]: Design resistance of vertical transverse force per meter of the joint

Expansion forces resulting from stresses vertical to the joint These tensile forces can either be absorbed by the VS<sup>®</sup> rope loops or by accordingly arranged additional reinforcement or other constructive measures and verified. The possibilities for providing evidence of the tensile forces are shown in the following.

Combined parallel and vertical transverse forces

On simultaneous action of transverse forces vertically and parallel to the joint, the interaction of the transverse forces must be verified using the interaction correlation shown in the diagram (Fig. 8).



#### Tensile forces on the VS® loops

Individual tensile force components that act in the direction of the wire rope loop resulting from the different load directions (Table 3). The sum of these individual components and any possible "external" tensile force that is acting (total tensile force) is verified on the basis of the tensile force resistance  $z_{Rd}$  of the VS® Slim Boxes/Plus Boxes in accordance with Table 1 (VS® Slim Box) or Table 2 (VS® Plus Box).

#### Table 3: Tensile components

Stresses of	parallel transverse force V <sub>Ed,II</sub>	Vertical transverse force $V_{Ed,\perp}$	"External" tensile force
Tensile force component	$\label{eq:states} \begin{array}{l} VS^{\circledast}\mbox{-Slim} \\ z_{Ed,VII} = 0,75 \cdot V_{Ed,II} \\ VS^{\circledast}\mbox{-Plus} \\ z_{Ed,VII} = 0,7 \cdot V_{Ed,II} \end{array}$	$z_{Ed,V\perp}=0,25\cdot V_{Ed,\perp}$	Z <sub>Ed,N</sub>

Verification of the total tensile force:

$n \cdot z_{Rd} \geq z_{Ed,VII}  +  z_{Ed,V\perp}  +  z_{Ed,N}$
n [Box/m] : Number of VS® Slim Boxes/Plus Boxes per meter of joint
$Z_{Rd}$ [kN/Box] : Design resistance of tensile force per VS $^{\circledast}$ Slim Box/Plus Box in accordance with Appendix 8, Table 1
$z_{\text{Ed},\text{N}}[\text{kN/m}]$ : "External" tensile force acting per meter of joint
$z_{\text{Ed,VII}} \; [\text{kN/m}] \; : \; \text{Expansion force from parallel transverse} \\ \text{force per meter of joint}$
z <sub>Ed,V⊥</sub> [kN/m] : Expansion force from vertical transverse force per meter of joint

#### Special case: Constructive measures for absorbing the tensile forces

The VS® rope loops are not used for the transmission and redirection of tensile forces, but the total of the tensile forces  $\boldsymbol{z}_{\text{Ed}}$  is assigned suitable tensile members or other constructive measures. These can be tensile members (e.g. ring beams) or other constructive measures (fixed columns, frictional forces in full-size raised wall elements etc.). The tensile forces resulting from the individual load directions are listed in Table 4.

#### Table 4: Tensile components

Stresses of	vertical transverse force $V_{\text{Ed},\perp}$	"External" tensile force
Tensile force component	$z_{Ed,V\perp}=0.25\cdot V_{Ed,\perp}$	$Z_{Ed,N}$

Resulting total tensile force:  $z_{Ed}$  =  $z_{Ed,\,V\perp}$  +  $z_{Ed,N}$ 

 $z_{Ed}$  [kN/m]: Total tensile force per meter of joint  $z_{Ed,N}$  [kN/m] : "External" tensile force acting per meter of joint  $z_{Ed,V\perp} \ [kN/m]$  : Expansion force from vertical transverse force per meter of joint

#### Deflection of the wire rope

In case of thin elements a deflection of the wire rope in the precast element is possible if the VS® Slim Box System is used.

Please find further information about minimum thickness and additional reinforcement in the approval for the VS® Slim Box System.

A deflection of the wire rope in our VS® Plus Box System is not permitted.

#### Reinforcement

A reinforcement (Figs. 6 and 9) in the reinforced concrete precast part must be used for the VS® Slim Box/Plus Box Systems. If a corresponding reinforcement is already provided for other static reasons, this can be taken into account.

#### Stirrup reinforcement

A stirrup with a ø of 8 mm that forms an overlap with the wire rope loop must be provided per wire rope loop and must be anchored in the concrete precast part (Fig. 9). The necessary anchoring lengths and concrete covers must be fixed by the responsible designer acc. to the chosen concrete quality. As an alternative to these stirrups, it is also possible to mount a mesh cap Q257A.

#### Surface reinforcement

Additional reinforcement and surface reinforcement are not covered by the approval and must be defined by the relevant planners according to the static conditions.

#### Constructive reinforcement

It is recommended to quide the surface reinforcement into the side flanks to the right and left of the joint in order to protect it constructively from damage. In addition, two rebars diam. 10 mm at the edge are also recommended.



#### Joint reinforcement

Before filling the joint, steel reinforcement bars must be inserted in the 12 mm diameter in the vicinity of the loop overlapping (Figs. 11-13, 15-16) over the bar entire height of the joint. This reinforcement bar is statically absolutely essential as it is used to absorb tensile forces that occur in the joint.



#### **Construction joints**

Control joint	=	20 mm	(Fig.	11)
Minimum joint	=	10 mm	(Fig.	13)
Maximum joint	=	40 mm	(Fig.	12)

#### Tolerances

The VS® Slim Box/Plus Box connection works as an overlapping joint. For this, each of the loops must lie within certain tolerances in vertical and horizontal directions.

In the vertical direction the loops must normally be mounted without offset in such a way that they make contact with one another and are superposed directly above one another (Fig. 15). This can be obtained with the same arrangement of the boxes from the base point of the construction units to be joined together with one another.

A maximum vertical tolerance of 20 mm is allowed (Fig. 16).



The figures show the VS® Plus Box. These are to be used analogously for the VS® Slim Box!





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These installation instructions provide factual information. The data of the technical approval must be observed in any case!



#### Information on fire prevention

According to DIN 4102-4:1994-03, Section 3.1.3, the minimum dimension is specified as u = 25 mm. In this case, this data refers especially to the vertical reinforcement that is at risk of buckling or to reinforcements where it is not possible to rearrange the load.

According to DIN 4102, Table 1, the critical temperature above which the nominal strength of the B500 A/B starts to reduce is:

$$T_{crit.} = 500 \,^{\circ}C$$

The VS<sup>®</sup> system can be evaluated as pre-stressed steel bands with reduced utilisation. The required concrete cover is referred to a critical temperature of  $T_{crit.} = 500$  °C. At the same time, it should be noted that, according to DIN 4102-4, the previously determined minimum axis spacings u do not have to be increased by a value  $\Delta u$ .



As a consequence, a fire resistance period of 90 minutes results for the following minimum wall thicknesses, for example (Figure 16):

d* =	= loop width	+	$2 \times \text{concrete cover}$	=
VS <sup>®</sup> Slim Box:	60 mm	+	2 (25 mm + 0 mm)	= 110 mm
VS <sup>®</sup> Plus Box:	70 mm	+	2 (25 mm + 0 mm)	= 120**/140 mm

\* Assumption: The loops do not lie in the vicinity of the openings!

\*\* Minimum wall thickness (static) is 140 mm!

## Producing the reinforced concrete precast parts

Most of the wall elements are concreted on formwork tables. A trapezoidal ledge is fixed on the frontal vertical end of the wall elements (Fig. 17). The dimensions of the trapezoidal timbers are indicated in Figure 18. It is important to place the bearing concrete layer thickness in a central position.



When mounting the VS<sup>®</sup> Slim Box/Plus Box into the formwork, the rope end must be threaded into the reinforcement as straight as possible. The rope end anchorings must be arranged at less than 90° to the joint (Fig. 21). The fixing of the loops on the mesh reinforcement prevents the loops from slipping.

After that, the boxes are nailed in a simple way by beginning at the lower point of the construction unit or are glued with hot adhesive to the steel formwork. Always make sure that the boxes are arranged on the same height.



#### After removing the formwork

After stripping out the formwork, the flexible covering tape is simply removed by pulling it off (Fig. 19). After that, the inside of the VS<sup>®</sup> Slim Box/Plus Box is free and the rope loops are visible. The rope loop can easily be tilted out with a tool to avoid injuries (Fig. 20). The wire rope loop must stick out vertically from the construction unit (Fig. 21) and, after tilting out, must spring back into this position when mounting the construction units. To do this, the loop is hooked into the integrated fixing of the steel sheet box (Fig. 22). This is important for guaranteeing perfect loop overlapping. The wall construction units are now ready for final mounting on the construction site.



#### Mounting the precast parts

The joints, the VS  $^{\mbox{\scriptsize \sc sc s}}$  Slim Box/Plus Box and the loops must be clean and free from soiling or separating humidification.

The wall construction units are set into the permissible connection type on page 8 (Fig. 2 to Fig. 5) either on a mortar bed or also on underlaid plates with different heights The construction units must be leveled in such a way that the position and the height correspond with each other. Normally, the joint of the construction units has an opening width of 20 mm and must lie within the maximum tolerance field of 10 to 40 mm (Fig. 11 to Fig. 13). In the vertical direction, a maximum spacing of 20 mm between the loops is acceptable.



Note: The weakest point of a channel joint of wall construction units is always the joint casting. Only when the joints are faultless and fully cast and appropriate sealing of the jointing concrete is assured can the channel joints transmit the specified forces without any problem.

#### Software for dimensioning

Free-of-charge dimensioning software is available to the user for simple dimensioning of the approved PFEIFER VS<sup>®</sup> products. This can quickly and efficiently calculate all applications that occur in practice. Complete reinforced wall systems, for example, but also standard joints can be calculated without great effort by simply entering geometry and loads.

#### Your advantages in using the software

- Automatic verification of the connection
- Generation of a full arithmetical verification
- Automatic quantity determination for a complete project – for mortar and VS® products
- Integrated fire prevention verification
- Project management
- DXF export



## The optimum joint material for every application

## VS® PAGEL® GROUT

- High penetration power
- Simple handling
- Greater design resistance
- No pump necessary
- Even low numbers of joints can be filled economically

This high-strength and extremely freely flowing grout flows perfectly into the recesses of the PFEIFER VS® Box Systems. As a result, there are no load reducing discontinuities. In combination with the PFEIFER VS® FDS air tube form (pages 26-29), this grout offers the possibility of fast, secure and extremely high-quality joint casting. The material can also be processed with VS® rail systems.





## VS® P PAGEL® CASTING MORTAR

- Flexibly and firmly anchored in the joint without formwork
- Less preliminary work necessary
- Mixing and feeding possible in one step
- Pump conveying to the joint

PFEIFER VS<sup>®</sup> rail systems have an optimised profile without adverse recess bodies. Thus a thixotrope, vertical mortar can be used here, even in the joint. The great advantage here is that only very little formwork is needed. Particularly on large construction sites with many meters of joints, this technology offers substantial savings.









## Joint filling using VS® PAGEL® GROUT for VS® Slim Box/VS® Plus Box

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#### Information and tips

The characteristics of the casting mortar/ grout in the joint play a significant role in producing a positive connection between concrete sections and the PFEIFER VS® system elements. The specially developed VS® PAGEL® GROUT has proved its suitability in extensive trials in combination with the PFEIFER VS® Slim Box/Plus Box System. Technical approvals have been granted for this grout.

#### Grout characteristics

- Highly free-flowing for at least 90 minutes
- Shrinkage-compensated
- ✓ Frost and salt-resistant
- $\checkmark\,$  Can be pumped with mixing and feed pumps
- ✓ Corrosion-resistant
- ✓ Production certified to DIN ISO 9001
- ✓ Supplied as a bagged product (bags of 25kg)

### Mixing VS® PAGEL® GROUT

VS<sup>®</sup> PAGEL<sup>®</sup> GROUT is supplied ready mixed and only needs to be mixed with water according to the printed PAGEL<sup>®</sup> mixing instructions. The material is then immediately ready for use.

## Casting the joint

The grout is poured in continuously until the desired level  $(\max, 3.54 \text{ m})$  is reached. The formwork must be able to absorb the stress that arises from this.

Compacting is not necessary. Degassing by poking with the reinforced concrete steel bar or the fitting of a vibrator is, however, recommended. The grout bonds very quickly and allows rapid continuation of work. After the corresponding bonding times, the joint can be loaded to the permitted scope.

#### Joint shuttering variants

#### 1. Board formwork

In order to fill concrete panel joints flush with VS® PAGEL® GROUT, a shuttering board (Fig. 23) must be inserted from both sides. It is recommended here provide



Caution: The VS® PAGEL® GROUT is manufactured and brought onto the market by PAGEL® Spezialbeton GmbH & Co. KG in Essen. Appropriate handling of the grout must, therefore, be carried out according to the manufacturer's data only.



**Caution:** When the air tube form or precompressed tapes are pressed into the lateral joints without adversely affecting the casting space, the effective lateral concrete cover for the rails and for the rope loop is reduced. The residual cross-section must be at least 14 cm.





the shuttering boards with foam rubber If the shuttering boards are correctly fixed and it is assured that the grout material cannot escape, the joint can be filled as described in the section entitled "Filling the joint". After the material has hardened the formwork can be removed, cleaned and reused.

#### 2. Mortar lead

An additional variant enables the sealing of the joint flanks with the thixotrope VS®-P PAGEL® CASTING MORTAR (Fig. 24). After this mortar has hardened, the core area of the joint can then be filled with the VS® PAGEL® GROUT and a higher efficiency of the systems can be realised.

#### 3. VS<sup>®</sup> FDS air tube form

The air tube form consists of two 4 m-long air tubes. These are very slightly pumped and pressed into the joint slot, so that the casting space of the loops is not adversely affected. After the air tube is applied over the entire joint height, the air tubes are brought to the nominal pressure and the joint is sealed Fig. 25. Now the joint can be cast from above across the entire height of 3.54 m. After the grout has hardened, the air pressure can be released and the air tube removed. After cleaning, it can be used again. Please also observe the detailed installation instructions on page 28.

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#### 4. Sealed compriband

A further possibility of casting the joints with VS® PAGEL® GROUT is the variant shown in the sketch in Fig. 26. Here, a defined foam cord/compriband is inserted in the joint before the casting and then a permanently elastic joint sealing installed.

After the joint sealing has completely hardened on both sides, the grout can be used without additional formwork measures. However, the stresses that occur during casting must be taken into account here. These should be determined by the construction company and the appropriate casting sections selected so that any squeezing out of the joint sealing is prevented.

## Amount of VS® PAGEL® GROUT required

The VS<sup>®</sup> software (see pages 30-31) calculates the mortar volume for the selected joint to be cast based on the actual amounts and dimensions of the project entered, it outputs the number of bags for the project and, on request, creates a fax request for PAGEL<sup>®</sup>.

For approximate calculations of the completely filled joints, the following table is used where an average casting consumption per running meter is specified based on 3.5 m high walls.

#### Table 4: Casting volume for a standard joint (20 mm)

	Wall thickness [cm]											
	10	12	14	16	18	20	22	24				
VS <sup>®</sup> Slim Box System	7.4	7.8	8.2	8.6	9.0	9.4	9.78	10.2				
VS® Plus Box System	_	-	12.2	12.6	13.0	13.4	13.8	14.1				

Amount in I/m; approx. 2 kg material are required per I;

The volume of grout is decisively influenced by the number of boxes. The maximum possible number of boxes per m is used here.





## PFEIFER-VS<sup>®</sup>-ISI-20 PFEIFER-VS<sup>®</sup>-ISI-50

Artikel-Nr. 05.030.236.20 Artikel-Nr. 05.027.236.50

For wall and column connections in precast part construction with mainly static loads:

Vertical and parallel transverse force
 Tanaila forces

Tensile forces



Materials: Rail: Galvanised sheet steel Steel wire rope: Highly tensile, galvanised Cover: Tape



The PFEIFER VS<sup>®</sup> ISI System<sup>3D</sup> creates load bearing connections between precast wall panels and columns and wallwall connections. Parallel and vertical transverse forces with respect to the join and tensile strength are regulated by the national technical approval authorities.

VS® PAGEL® grout and the plastic VS® P PAGEL® joint filling mortar are available to users as joint filling materials in accordance with approval.

## PFEIFER

Reinforcement technology VS<sup>®</sup>-ISI-System<sup>3D</sup>

VS<sup>®</sup> PAGEL<sup>®</sup> grout is a self compacting, free flowing grout. With the help of joint formwork it is possible to grout an entire storey of a building.

The VS® P PAGEL® CASTING MORTAR is a thixotrope casting mortar that, once in the joint, remains solidly in place without the need for costly formwork measures.





Order no.	Туре	b	Dimensions in mm b <sub>1</sub> b <sub>2</sub> h I SL L a n B d							d	Number of loops	Packing unit/ea.	Weight approx. kg/ea.		
05.030.236.20	VS®-ISI-20	50	-	70	20	1180	80	227	236	118	60	3	5	100	1,18
05.027.236.50	VS®-ISI-50	50	65	80	50	1180	80	227	236	118	60	3	5	60	1,66

05.027.968 Replacement tape for cut-to-length rails 50 m-long roll, silver-grey, 96 mm wide

Sample order: 840 m joint with the PFEIFER VS $^{\otimes}$  ISI System<sup>3D</sup> consisting of 700 PFEIFER VS $^{\otimes}$  ISI 20, order no. 05.030.236.20 700 PFEIFER VS $^{\otimes}$  ISI 50, order no. 05.027.236.50



The grouting channel can be economically extended without loops using  $\mathsf{VS}^{\circledast}\text{-}\mathsf{ISI}$  empty profiles.

These can be cut to size individually using an angle grinder. Additional formwork is then no longer necessary.

Ref.No. (Reference number): 05.030.000 (Typ VS®-20/000) 05.027.000 (Typ VS®-50/000)



/S<sup>®</sup>-ISI-System<sup>3D</sup>

## General installation instructions for the approved VS<sup>®</sup> ISI System<sup>3D</sup>

## **Application notes**

The PFEIFER VS<sup>®</sup> ISI system<sup>3D</sup> (Figure 1) is designed for the connection of steel reinforced concrete precast wall elements or steel reinforced concrete walls and columns. The VS<sup>®</sup> PAGEL<sup>®</sup> GROUT or theVS<sup>®</sup> P AGEL<sup>®</sup> CAST-ING MORTAR with elastic characteristics for filling the joint are available to the user in accordance with the building authority approval.

From component thicknesses of 140 mm the connections are approved for mainly static **impacts from all three directions (3D)** (Figs. 2 and 3). In the case of a right-angle joint (Figs. 5 and 6), the thickness of the jointed wall can be reduced to 100 mm.

The PFEIFER VS® ISI System<sup>3D</sup> can be used according to Figure 4 – 7.



Admissible load direction – tensile forces and transversal shear force parallel and vertical to the joint.





These installation instructions provide factual information. They cannot replace the text of the technical approval. In case of doubt, the instructions in the technical approval







Figure 9: Joint geometry with VS® ISI System



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## Dimensioning

The concrete precast parts of steel-reinforced concrete to be joined must be dimensioned by the responsible designer according to DIN 1045-1 in a minimum concrete quality of C30/37. Connections made with the VS® ISI System<sup>3D</sup> are seen as reinforced joints with design resistances for tensile and transversal shear forces. Appropriate design resistances are listed in Tables 1. When dimensioning the connection, verification must then be conducted separately for each load direction. It is important here to ensure that tensile forces acting from the outside and the resultant tensile forces from the acting transverse forces are taken into account.

If no external tensile force should be applied, a simplified analysis via an interaction diagram in accordance with the approval can be used. The acting expansion forces then need to be validated.

Crack widths due to outdoor constraint stresses should be limited (DIN 1045-1 Table 18).

#### Table 1: Design resistances VS® ISI

Wall thick- ness [cm]	Design resistance Vertical transverse force $v_{Rd, \perp}$ [kN/m]				Design resistance Transverse force, parallel		Design resistance Tensile force <sub>Rd</sub> [kN/m]	
	C 30/37	C 35/45	C 40/50	C 45/55	V <sub>Rd, II</sub> [	kN/m]		
14	9,7	11,1	11,9	12,6	70	48	36	28
15	11,2	12,7	13,7	14,5	70	48	36	28
16	12,7	14,4	15,5	16,5	70	48	36	28
17	14,2	16,2	17,4	18,6	70	48	36	28
18	15,9	18,1	19,4	20,7	70	48	36	28
19	17,5	20,0	21,4	22,8	70	48	36	28
20	19,3	21,9	23,5	25,1	70	48	36	28
21	21,0	24,0	25,7	27,4	70	48	36	28
22	22,8	26,0	27,9	29,7	70	48	36	28
23	24,7	28,1	30,2	32,2	70	48	36	28
24	26,6	30,3	32,5	34,6	70	48	36	28
25	28,5	32,5	34,9	37,2	70	48	36	28
26	30,5	34,8	37,3	37,5	70	48	36	28
27	32,5	37,1	37,5	37,5	70	48	36	28
28	34,6	37,5	37,5	37,5	70	48	36	28
29	36,7	37,5	37,5	37,5	70	48	36	28
≥ 30	37,5	37,5	37,5	37,5	70	48	36	28

blue Dimensioning values when using VS® PAGEL® GROUT

red Dimensioning values when using VS® P PAGEL® CASTING MORTAR



#### Recommendation:

To ensure planning, always plan with the VS® P PAGEL® CASTING MORTAR for normal cases. For higher demands, we recommend working with the higher performance VS® PAGEL® GROUT.

## Verification procedures

#### Transverse force parallel to the joint

The design resistance of the shearing force parallel to joint VRd.,II according to Table 1 can be used as the limit state for the carrying capacity of the shearing force parallel to the joint reinforced with the VS<sup>®</sup> ISI System<sup>3D</sup>.

$\frac{ v_{Ed,  I }}{ v_{Rd,  I }} \leq 1.0$	V <sub>Ed,II</sub> [kN/m]: transverse force acting parallel per meter of joint length					
	$V_{\text{Rd,II}}$ [kN/m]: Design resistance of transverse force parallel to joint per meter					

#### Transverse force vertical to the joint

For transverses force vertical to the joint reinforced with the VS<sup>®</sup> rails, the design resistance V<sub>Rd\_</sub> may be applied for the limit condition of the load-bearing capacity, depending on the component thickness and the strength category of the concrete precast element acc. to Table 1.





Pro Meter dürfen 4 Seilschlaufen angesetzt werden. Pro Einzelschlaufe gilt ein Bemessungswiderstand  $Z_{\rm Rd}$  von 9 kN(VS® PAGEL®-VERGUSS ) und 7kN (VS®-P PAGEL®-FUGENMÖRTEL)

Expansion forces vertical to the joint resulting from stresses. These tensile forces can either be absorbed by the VS<sup>®</sup> rope loops or appropriately arranged through additional reinforcement or by other constructive actions and verified. The verification options of the tensile forces are illustrated in the following.

#### Combined parallel and vertical transverse forces

In the case of simultaneous influence of transverse forces acting vertical and parallel to the joint, the interaction of the transverse forces must be verified using the interaction relationship illustrated in the diagrams (Figs. 10).



#### Tensile forces on the VS® loops

Separate tensile force components that act in the direction of the rope loop (Table 2) result from the different loading directions. The sum of these separate components and any possible "external" tensile force that may be acting (total tensile force) is verified on the basis of tensile force resistance  $Z_{Rd}$  of the VS<sup>®</sup> BZ 250 or TZ 100 rail systems acc. to Table 1.

#### Table 2: Tensile components

Stresses from	parallel transverse force V <sub>Ed,II</sub>	$\begin{array}{c} \text{vertical transverse} \\ \text{force} \\ V_{\text{Ed},\perp} \end{array}$	"External" tensile force
Tensile force component	$\begin{array}{l} \text{ISI} \\ \text{z}_{\text{Ed,VII}} = 0.6 \cdot \text{V}_{\text{Ed,II}} \end{array}$	$z_{Ed,V\perp} = 0.25 \cdot V_{Ed,\perp}$	Z <sub>Ed,N</sub>

- blue Dimensioning values when using VS® PAGEL® GROUT
- red Dimensioning values when using VS® P PAGEL® CASTING MORTAR

#### Verification of total tensile force:

#### $z_{Rd} \geq z_{Ed,VII} \, + \, z_{Ed,\,V\perp} \, + \, z_{Ed,N}$

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#### Special case: Tensile forces without consideration of the rope loops

The VS® rope loops are <u>not</u> used for transferring and imparting tensile forces, rather the sum of tensile forces  $z_{Ed}$  must be assigned suitable tensioning members or other constructive measures. These can be tensioning members (e.g. ring beams) or other constructive measures (clamped columns, friction forces in fully erect wall elements, etc.). The tensile forces resulting from the separate loading directions are listed in Table 3.

#### Table 3: Tensile components

Stresses from	vertical transverse force $V_{\text{Ed},\perp}$	"External" tensile force	
Tensile force component	$z_{Ed,V\perp} = 0.25 \cdot V_{Ed,\perp}$	Z <sub>Ed,N</sub>	

Resulting total tensile force:

$$z_{Ed} = z_{Ed, V\perp} + z_{Ed,N}$$

z<sub>Ed</sub> [kN/m] : Total tensile force per meter of joint

 $z_{\mbox{\scriptsize Fd},N} ~~ [kN/m]$  : "External" tensile force acting per meter of joint

 $z_{Ed,V\perp} \quad [kN/m] \ : \ Expansion$  force from vertical transverse force per meter of joint

## Bending of the anchoring loop

In the case of elements with small dimensions, the anchoring loop in all rail systems can be bent. The bending dimensions shown in Figures 11 to 13 are appropriate examples of this. In the case of an angle joint, a stirrup with a  $\emptyset$  8 mm is arranged in the area of the bent loop (Figs. 12 and 13).



## Reinforcement

Reinforcing must be installed in the reinforced concrete precast parts as shown in Figures 8, 9 and 14 for the VS® rail systems. If corresponding reinforcing is already foreseen for other static reasons, this can be taken into account.

#### Stirrup reinforcement

One stirrup with Ø 8 mm must be provided per rope loop and anchored in the component (Figs. 8 and 9). This forms an overlap with the rope loop anchoring.

The anchoring lengths of the stirrup and also the necessary concrete covers of the stirrup must be fixed by the responsible designer acc. to the chosen concrete quality. As an alternative to the stirrups, it is also possible to mount an equivalent mesh cap Q257 A.

#### Surface reinforcement

Surface reinforcement or further reinforcement are not regulated in the technical approval and must be fixed by the responsible structural designer according to the static conditions.





#### Constructive reinforcement

It is recommended to guide the surface reinforcement into the side flanks to the right and left of the rail profiles in order to protect it constructively from damage. In addition, continuous angle irons ( $\emptyset$  10 mm) are also recommended.

#### Joint reinforcement

Before filling the joint, steel reinforcement bars must be inserted 12 mm into the diameter in the vicinity of the loop overlapping (Figs. 8, 9 and 14) over the entire height of the joint. It is statically imperative to have this reinforcement bar because it serves as gap pull reinforcement in the joint.

#### **Component joints**

Control joint	=	20 mm	(Fig.	17)
Minimum joint	=	15 mm	(Fig.	18)
Maximum ioint	=	40 mm	(Fig.	19

Here, the loop overlaps vary between 53 mm and 78 mm.







#### **Tolerances**

In the longitudinal direction of the joint the loops must normally be installed without offset. The loops must be installed in such a way that they make contact with one another and are directly superposed above one another (Fig. 20). For joints over several floors, under certain circumstances, it can be useful to set regular zero points on which the rail sections can be oriented.

Maximum vertical height tolerance from standard construction variations of 20 mm is admissible (Figure 18).



#### Information on fire prevention

According to DIN 4102-4:1994-03, Section 3.1.3, the minimum dimension is specified as u = 25 mm. This data refers especially to the vertical reinforcement that is at risk of buckling or to reinforcement where it is not possible to rearrange the load.

According to DIN 4102, Table 1, the critical temperature above which the yield point of the BSt 500 reinforcement starts to reduce under the steel tension present is:  $T_{crit.} = 500$  °C.

The VS<sup>®</sup> system can be evaluated as pre-stressed steel bands with reduced utilisation. The required concrete cover will therefore be based on a critical temperature of  $T_{crit.} = 500$  °C. At the same time, it should be noted that, according to DIN 4102-4, the previously determined minimum axis spacings  $\Delta u$  do not have to be increased by a value  $\Delta u$ .

This results in the following minimum wall thicknesses in case of a fire resistance duration = 90 minutes (Figs. 15/16):



\* loop width limited to 65 mm by the profile of the deep rail

- \*\* walls with openings or underside flame impingement
- \*\*\* static minimum wall thickness 140 mm

## Manufacture of the steel reinforced concrete precast elements

In the case of a precast part connection with the VS<sup>®</sup> rail system, the grouting groove is automatically created by the rail profiles. This means that no additional recess bodies, no additional depths or similar elements must be provided here. When mounting the VS<sup>®</sup> rails and long boxes into

the formwork, the rope ends must be threaded into the reinforcement as straight as possible. After that, the profiles are nailed in a simple way beginning at the lower point of construction unit for both construction units or are glued with hot adhesive to the steel formwork (Fig. 21). Fixing the loops on the mesh reinforcement prevents the rail and the loops from slipping. The rope end anchorings must be arranged at less than 90° to the joint. The profiles must be arranged with the arrows upwards. They must be positioned so that overlaying loops correspond exactly in height.

## After removing the formwork

After stripping out the formwork, the flexible covering film is simply removed by pulling it off (Fig. 22). After that, the inside of the VS<sup>®</sup> profile is free and the rope loops are visible. The rope loop can easily be tilted out (Fig. 23). The loop must stick out vertically from the construction unit and, after tilting out, must spring back into this position when mounting the construction units. This is important for guaranteeing a perfect overlap. The wall construction units are now ready for final mounting on the construction site.

## Mounting the precast parts

The joints, the rail profiles and the loops must be free from soiling or separating humidification.

The wall units are either set in the permissible connection type (page 18 and 19) or on a mortar bed or onto leveling plates. The construction units must be levelled in such a way that the position and the height correspond with each other. A spacing between the joints of between 15 mm to 40 mm is possible in accordance with the technical approval. In the vertical direction, the opposing and contacting loops must overlap and must have a maximum spacing of up to 20 mm.

### Software for dimensioning

Free-of-charge dimensioning software is available to the user for simple dimensioning of the approved PFEIFER VS<sup>®</sup> products. This can quickly and efficiently calculate all applications that occur in practice. Complete reinforced wall systems, for example, but also standard joints can be calculated without great effort by simply entering geometry and loads.

#### Your advantages in using the software

- Automatic verification of the connection
- Generation of a full arithmetical verification
- Automatic quantity determination for a complete project – for mortar and VS<sup>®</sup> products
- Integrated fire prevention verification
- Project management
- DXF export









Caution: The maximum vertikal distance betrween the loops is 20 mm! For bigger spacing (> 20 mm) the connection looses a capacities.



PFEIFER application support should be contacted for installation variants that differ from Figure 21 where increased formwork compression is expected. This is the case with upright or battery formwork, for example!





# Safe and convenient planning with PFEIFER-VS<sup>®</sup> software





## Your advantages from using the software

The complete PFEIFER VS<sup>®</sup> system with VS<sup>®</sup> Box, Rails, Long Boxes, Deep Rails and VS<sup>®</sup> Slim Boxes and VS<sup>®</sup> Plus Boxes can be planned with the software. The latest version can be downloaded from our website www.pfeifer.de. The PC software can run as a stand-alone program and offers many useful features such as

- · Permanently storable user data and one-time project data
- Automatic quantity determination for a complete project – for mortar and VS<sup>®</sup> products
- · Computerized calculation of the connection
- Generation of a complete static documentation for:
  - VS® Plus Box
  - VS® Slim Box
  - VS® BZ 250 rail system
  - VS® TZ 100 rail system
- · Calculations for different applications of
  - wall-to-wall joint
  - wall-to-column joint
  - wall-to-corner joint
  - complete wall element
  - with constant and variable loads
  - with parallel and vertical transverse forces



- Design with all VS® elements and graphic export
- Scaled graphics in top and front view
- Variable spacing with VS<sup>®</sup> Box, VS<sup>®</sup> Plus Box and VS<sup>®</sup> Slim Box



• Display of the influences and resistances for the selection



- Integrated fire prevention verificationProject management
- DXF export
- Cast quantity calculations in litres and dry quantities (bags)
- Order lists according to item
   numbers

Different languages selectable such as:

• German

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· English

· Czech



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## VS® PAGEL® grout joint filler for the VS® ISI System<sup>3D</sup>

#### Information and tips

The characteristics of the casting mortar in the joint play a significant role in producing a positive connection between concrete sections and the PFEIFER VS® system elements. The specially developed VS® PAGEL® GROUT has proven its suitability in combination with the PFEIFER VS® rail system in extensive trials. This grout has been granted the General German Technical Approval.

#### Grout characteristics

- ✓ Highly free-flowing for at least 90 minutes
- Shrinkage-compensated
- Resistant to frost and de-icing salt
- ✓ Can be pumped with mixing and feed pumps
- ✓ Corrosion-resistant
- Production certified to DIN ISO 9001
- ✓ Supplied as a bagged product (bags of 25 kg)

#### Mixing VS<sup>®</sup> PAGEL<sup>®</sup> GROUT

VS® PAGEL® GROUT is supplied ready-mixed and only needs to be mixed with water according to the printed mixing instructions from PAGEL®. The material is then immediately ready for use.

#### Casting the joint

The grout is poured in continuously until the desired level  $(\max, 3.54 \text{ m})$  is reached. The formwork must be able to absorb the stress that arises from this.

Compacting is not necessary. Degassing by poking with the reinforced concrete steel bar or the fitting of a vibrator is, however, recommended. The grout bonds very quickly and allows rapid continuation of work. After the corresponding bonding times, the joint can be loaded to the permitted scope.

#### Joint formwork variants

#### 1. Board formwork

In order to fill concrete panel joints flush with VS® PAGEL® GROUT, a shuttering board (Fig. 26) must be inserted from both sides. Here, it is recommended



Caution: VS® PAGEL® GROUT is manufactured and brought onto the market by PAGEL® Spezialbeton GmbH & Co. KG in Essen. Appropriate handling of the grout must, therefore, be carried out according to the manufacturer's data only.



**Caution:** When the air tube form or precompressed tapes are pressed into the lateral joints without adversely affecting the casting space, the effective lateral concrete cover for the rails and for the rope loop is reduced. The residual cross-section must be at least 14 cm.



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to provide the shuttering boards with foam rubber to compensate for any unevennesses. If the shuttering boards are correctly fixed and it is assured that the grout material cannot escape, the joint can be filled as described in the section entitled "Filling the joint". After the material has hardened the formwork can be removed, cleaned and reused.

#### 2. Mortar seal

An additional variant enables the sealing of the joint flanks with the VS®-P PAGEL® CASTING MORTAR (Figure 27). After this mortar has hardened, the core area of the joint can then be filled with the VS® PAGEL® GROUT and a higher efficiency of the systems can be realised.

#### 3. VS® FDS air tube form

The air tube form consists of two 4 m-long air tubes. These are very slightly pumped and pressed into the joint slot, so that the casting space of the loops is not adversely affected. After the air tube is applied over the entire joint height, the air tubes are brought to the nominal pressure and the joint is sealed. Now the joint can be cast from above across the entire height of 3.54 m. After the grout has hardened, the air pressure can be released and the air tube removed. After cleaning, it can be used again. Please also observe the detailed installation instructions on page 28.

#### 4. Sealed compriband

Another way is of casting the joint with VS® PAGEL® GROUT is the variant illustrated in the sketches in Figure 29. Here, a defined foam cord/compriband is inserted in the joint before the casting and then a permanently elastic joint sealing installed.

After the joint sealing has completely hardened on both sides, the grout can be used without additional formwork measures. However,

the stresses that occur during casting must be taken into account here. These should be determined by the construction company and the appropriate casting sections selected so that any squeezing out of the joint sealing is prevented.

#### Amount of VS® PAGEL® GROUT required

The VS® software (see page 31) calculates the mortar volume for the selected joint to be cast based on the actual amounts and dimensions of the project entered, it outputs the number of bags for the project and, on request, creates a fax request for PAGEL.

For approximate calculations of the completely filled joints, the following table is used where an average casting consumption per running meter is specified based on 3.5 m high walls.

#### Table 4: Casting volume in case of standard joint

	Wall thickness [cm]					
	14	16	18	20	22	24
VS®-ISI-System <sup>3D</sup>	6,68	7,08	7,48	7,88	8,28	8,68

#### Amount in I/m for standard joint 2 cm; approx. 2 kg of material are required per I





## VS® P PAGEL® joint filling mortar for the VS® ISI System<sup>3D</sup>

### Information and tips

The advantage of the VS® P PAGEL® CASTING MORTAR is the filling of precast part joints. In most cases, formwork is not needed. The optimised, thixotrope characteristics of the mortar, once placed in the joint, allow it to remain solidly in place without any other measures. The approval for the VS® ISI System<sup>3D</sup> covers parallel and vertical tensile forces and transversal shear forces with respect to the joint.

#### Mortar characteristics

- ✓ Non-shrinking with gel-type consistency
- ✓ Ease of production
- ✓ Can be pumped with commercially available screw pumps
- $\checkmark$  High initial and final hardening strengths
- ✓ Frost and de-icing salt resistant
- ✓ Impermeable to water
- ✓ Low water/cement ratio
- ✓ Production certified to DIN ISO 9001
- ✓ Externally and internally monitored
- ✓ Supplied as a bagged product (bags of 25 kg)

## Mixing of VS® P PAGEL® CASTING MORTAR

The ready-to-use mortar supplied only needs to be mixed to a usable material by adding water. It is imperative to follow the mixing instructions on the bags.

### Casting the joint

A joint flank is first completely sealed using foam cord, rubber profile (Fig. 30) or alternatively with VS<sup>®</sup> P PAGEL<sup>®</sup> CASTING MORTAR (Fig. 31). After filling with VS<sup>®</sup> P PAGEL<sup>®</sup> CASTING MORTAR, allow the mortar to set. Then, from the opposite side, evenly and continuously fill the remaining joint that is now sealed on one side from bottom to top. Gently poking the joint with the filling nozzle or filling pipe guarantees a perfect result. The joints can easily be smoothed flat after filling.

#### Joint formwork variants



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The manufacturer's data must be observed for processing the VS® P PAGEL® CASTING MORTAR and VS® PAGEL® GROUT! Detailed instructions and a detailed equipment recommendation can also be found there. Technical data can also be found in the technical documentation provided by PAGEL®.



#### Nozzle manufacture

The filling nozzle, made of commercially available 22 mm  $(^{3}/_{4}^{"})$  copper heating pipe (with the aid of a solder fitting for connecting to the pump air tube), can be attached (Figs 32 and 33).





This information only applies to placing the material in the ioint!



Caution: do not constrict filling space (page 26/ Figure 1): If pre-compressed strips are to be pressed into the side joints without affecting the grouting space, the effective lateral concrete coverage of the rail and the rope loop is reduced. This must also be taken into account by the planners in the dimensioning.

#### Qualification

Suitable machine technology and trained personnel are essential for the quality and efficiency of the VS<sup>®</sup> P PAGEL<sup>®</sup> JOINT FILLING MORTAR. You can request instruction from PAGEL<sup>®</sup> Spezial-Beton GmbH & Co. KG at any time as required.

## Create perfect precast element connections quickly and easily with PFEIFER VS® FDS Joint Pressure Formwork



#### Innovation

- Problem-free joint pressure formwork makes grouting precast element joints easy
- No more "belt and braces" solutions
- · No need for special reinforcement





## Quality

 High-quality materials for long-lasting elements







## Expert tip



Efficiency

Long-lasting
Fast to use
Time-saving
No reworking

• Space-saving storage



## PFEIFER VS® FDS air tube formwork

Item no. 05.039



The PFEIFER VS® FDS air tube formwork allows cast joints in the VS® sys- elastic sealing of a building to the outtem to be rapidly and tightly formed. Installation is straightforward, there is no waste as the air tube can be reused. The product guarantees a tight joint for castings up to 3.54 m in height. After the grout has hardened, the air is released from the air tube, it's taken out leaving a clean, deepened, slightly rounded, smooth joint. This is

## PFEIFER

Reinforcement technology VS® air tube formwork

also especially suitable for a additional side.

Materials: Armoured PVC Stainless steel

Brass





Order no.	Туре	Width of joint	Dimensions in mm		max. P	Weight
		[mm]	D	L	[Bar]	[kg]
05.039.23.1200	FDS 23	10-20	23	1200	2,5	0,40
05.039.29.1200	FDS 29	20-25	29	1200	2,5	0,70
05.039.42.1200	FDS 42	25-40	42	1200	2,5	0,90
05.039.23.4000	FDS 23	10-20	23	4000	2,5	0,82
05.039.29.4000	FDS 29	20-25	29	4000	2,5	1,10
05.039.42.4000	FDS 42	25-40	42	4000	2,5	1,45

Ordering example: Air tube formwork "FDS 29" for 8 joints higher than 3.50 m 16 PFEIFER VS<sup>®</sup> FDS air tube formwork, order no. 05.039.29.4000



# Instructions for installation and use of PFEIFER VS<sup>®</sup> FDS air tube formwork

## Field of application

The VS<sup>®</sup> FDS air tube formwork is designed to strip casts from cast joints between wall elements and columns. It is designed for a maximum grouting height of up to 3.54 m for single-storey grouting. In a correspondingly designed floor connection a Styropor seal plus the correct application of the joint pressure formwork will produce an absolutely pressure-tight grouted joint which can be filled without difficulty in a section of up to 3.54 m with the highly viscous VS<sup>®</sup> Pagel<sup>®</sup> grout. The joint pressure formwork can be filled using a compressed air foot pump with autovalve or a compressor with a pressure-monitored fill valve with an autovalve connector (Figure 1).

The joint according to Figure 2 can be permanently sealed for protection against the outside atmosphere.

## Installation of the VS® FDS air tube formwork

The air tube system with the air tube just slightly filled is pressed into the joint (Fig. 3/4, 5/6). To do this, the air tube must not show any tangible resistance when squeezed as, otherwise, it can no longer be pressed in. If there is too much resistance, some of the air must be let out. As soon as the air tube is in the correct position over the entire height, the pressure can be increased somewhat to 0.5 bar. If there are several panels behind one another or in several column fields, it is recommended to pump up all the joints one after the other beforehand with this slight pressurisation of max. 0.5 bar.

According to Figure 7 and 8 the safety brackets and plates can be fitted with a slight gap to ease the threading of the joint pressure formwork according to Figures 3 and 4.

## Securing the construction units against slipping

In the case of light concrete panels that slide easily because they have little weight, or in the case of tall columns in the corners, it is recommended to secure these joints (Fig. 7/8) against moving before applying the final pressure. With a low joint height of 3.5 m, horizontal forces of about 40 kN can very quickly occur here (Fig. 9). For this reason, it is sensible to neutralise the horizontal joint pressures by forming the joints one after the other.

However, at the corners the columns are only secured against bending by their bending stiffness. Thus, in the case of particularly slender columns or

Permissible pressure range

building structures that react especially sensitively to displacement of the heads of the columns, they must be secured with an angle bracket.

The sequence of applying the pressure should take place in such a way that differential forces acting on the wall panels are kept as low as possible in order to avoid displacements here also.

**Overpressure protection** 

The maximum pressure in final state is max. p = 2.5 bar in the 4 m air tubes with a usable casting height of 3.5 m. The FDS system has an overpressure valve which triggers from 3 bar so that no excessive forces can be exerted on the wall units.



Caution: Do not alter the factory-preset and -secured overpressure protection. There is otherwise a danger that the hose will be subjected to overpressure and burst, endangering eyes and ears, shifting wall boards and dislodging attachments.





**Caution:** If the compression formwork is pressed into the joint, the inside casting space must not be adversely affected (Fig. 1).



To use the air tube formwork, the lateral concrete cover of the loops is reduced compared to a flush-fitting casting. This must be taken into account in corrosion and fire prevention considerations.



Figure 2: joint with external elastic sealing





#### Sealed floor joint

During assembly of the walls, the wall panels are usually placed height-levelled on storage plates made of plastic or steel (Fig. 10). In the vicinity of the joint, a 30 cm-long styropor strip with a wall thickness and height approx. 10 mm greater than the final horizontal joint must be laid under the area of the VS<sup>®</sup> joint. Due to its intrinsic weight, the styropor is pressed fully into the joint, thus filling the joint profile (Fig. 11). The pressing-in of the air tubes begins at the bottom end where the bottom end is pressed fully into the soft styropor so that it is tightly sealed at the bottom (Fig. 12, 5, 6). Then the air tube is pressed in further up. After the air tube is pressed in, it can be pumped up to approx. 0.5 bar to secure the position.

#### Grouting of the sealed joint

After applying the final pressure of maximum 2.5 bar on each of the air tube formworks arranged in pairs, the joint is now ready to be cast. The VS® PAGEL® grout must be mixed according to PAGEL® manufacturer instructions and immediately filled into the joint from above. Up to a max. height of 3.54 m can be filled at one time. The stress in the air tube formwork system can withstand this load.

#### Removing the formwork

A soft Styropor panel with a thickness of 5-10 mm more than the horizontal size of the joint is fitted beneath the entire joint for sealing purposes when fitting the precast elements (Figure

The VS<sup>®</sup> FDS Joint Pressure Formwork is pressed into or firmly onto the Styropor panel (Figure 14).

The VS<sup>®</sup> FDS Joint Pressure Formwork is gradually pressed from bottom to

top into the join (Figure 12). It is recommended to lightly fill the

Nominal pressure is applied to the VS® FDS Joint Pressure Formwork once the joint has been filled on both sides so that the joint is completely sealed (Figures 16 and 17). After the jointing material has hard-ened the PFEIFER FDS Joint Pressure Formwork can be easily drawn out of

Just release the pressure first. Perfect joint after removal of the hose

hose with air.

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(Figure 18).

After the VS® PAGEL® grout has hardened, the pressure on the compression formwork can be released by pressing the middle pin of the air tube valve and the air tube can be pulled out. After cleaning with a damp cloth, it is ready to be used again.

VS® FDS Joint Pressure Formwork



in use

13).

**Notice:** attach location-securing mounting plates only after VS<sup>®</sup> PAGEL<sup>®</sup> grout has hardened! This will be 5 days by full use of the VS<sup>®</sup> connection.





#### Figure 7







Figure 10

Figure 12

Figure 11







Figure 18



Figure 16

Figure 13

The instructions for installation and use must also be observed accordingly.

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