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# Quality Manufacture

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The strictest control is maintained by virtue of the fact that design and manufacture is carried out in modern purpose built manufacturing centres in west London and at Maidenhead in Berkshire.

Maintaining control over the whole process from initial tool design and tool making through to final assembly and testing ensuring that only products of the highest quality are produced.

The company believe it is this commitment to quality that has led to it receiving prestigious awards from many of the world's leading testing and approvals organisations.

John Guest is a preferred supplier to many international companies.



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The Speedfit System for Underfloor Heating has been designed to be as quick and easy as possible to install with component parts manufactured under an ISO9001 Quality Management System.

The System has water pumped from a boiler or other heat source to a pump pack where it is mixed to approximately

50°C then distributed via a manifold to heating circuits made using Speedfit Barrier Pipe. The temperature and volume of water is altered to maintain the requirements of the system.

The pipe is laid in concrete or suspended just below the surface of timber flooring.

A wide range of electrical components means the system can have as much control as required.



## Design Service and Technical Support

### CAD Design Service

Members of the Technical Support Team are available to help you get the best from your Speedfit Underfloor Heating System.

To obtain an estimate send us a plan of the area where underfloor heating is required, indicating the preferred location of the manifold and intended floor construction.

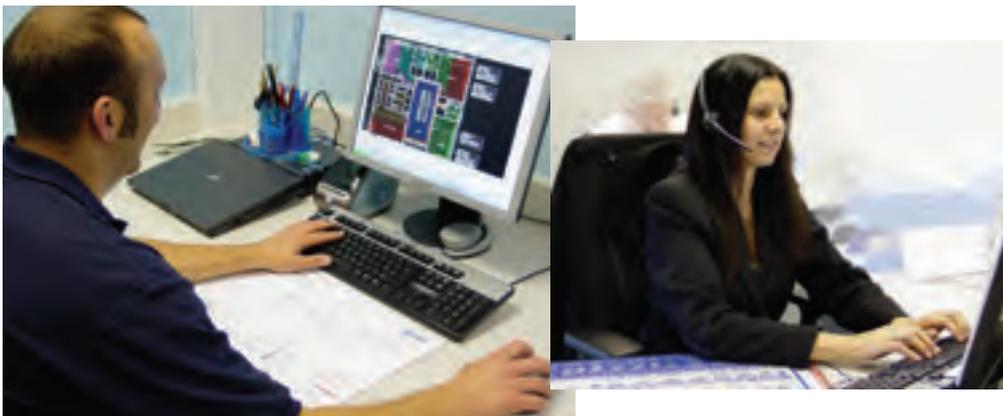
An estimate will be prepared and when approved and an order placed, the Speedfit CAD

Design Service will provide a detailed drawing showing pipe layout, flow rates, suggested zone temperatures and advice on commissioning.

A member of our national team of Technical Support Engineers will be available to offer on-site support during the installation process.

**Technical Help Desk:**  
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The JG Speedfit Technical Advisory Service is available to assist and advise on all aspects of using the Speedfit System. The service is available between 8.00am and 5.00pm Monday to Friday.



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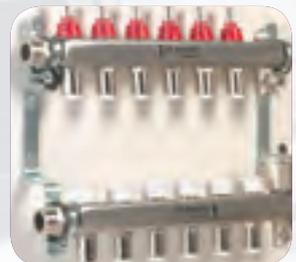
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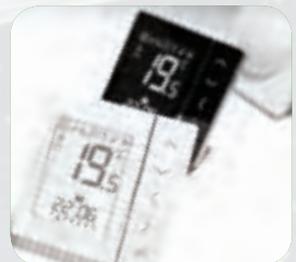
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### Underfloor Heating

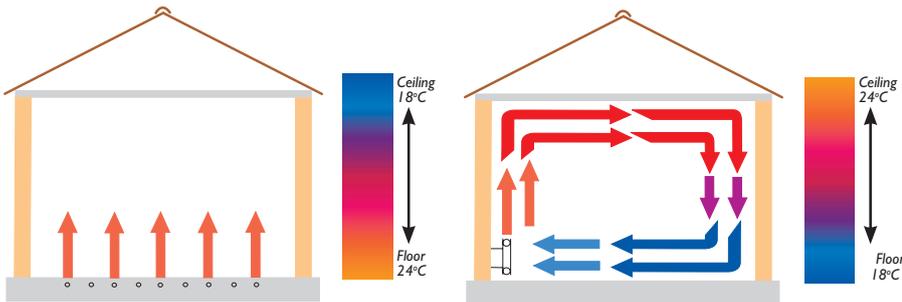
Underfloor heating provides the most comfortable, even warmth of any heating system. It is economical to run and virtually maintenance free.

Warm water from a heat source such as a boiler or heat pump is distributed via a manifold to heating circuits made using Speedfit Barrier Pipe. The pipe can be installed in a screed, floating or suspended timber floor.

In screeded floors, the pipe is laid on insulation and then covered with a screed which can be laid almost any type of floor covering.

For timber floors, spreader plates are laid between the joists and the floor decking or on the underside of the floor. Speedfit Pipe is pushed into the grooves on the plates.

The Floor area is typically warmed to between 25°C and 28°C, providing an even distribution of heat at only slightly higher than room temperature. The system is controlled by one or more thermostats which control the manifold and boiler as required.



The heat is concentrated where it is most needed for comfort and efficiency.

By contrast, radiators transfer heat from a relatively small area at a much higher temperature than the space being heated.

The radiator system heats mainly by convection. This results in the floor being the coolest place in the room, with the mass of warm air at ceiling level.



# The Whole Floor Acts as a Heat Source

## FEATURES & BENEFITS

The Speedfit Underfloor Heating System offers many benefits to the consumer. These include:

### Efficiency Savings

Underfloor Heating Systems are designed to operate at lower temperatures than radiator systems, making them especially suitable for condensing boilers and heat pumps. This results in reduced energy consumption and lower heating costs for the building.

### Installation

It is simple to install, requiring the minimum of installation effort and little maintenance.

### Comfort

The system uses mainly radiant heat, the most comfortable form of heating, giving an even distribution of warmth over the whole room.

### Space

The system is unobtrusive and space saving which means every square metre of floor and wall space can be utilised giving freedom of interior design.

### Noise

Compared to radiator systems the system is virtually silent running.

### Health

Dust is minimised reducing the problem of house dust mites. Reduced numbers of hot surfaces and sharp edges minimise risk of burns or injury.

### Control

Underfloor heating is easy to control and unlike conventional radiator systems, makes use of multi-zoning so each room benefits from individual time and temperature control resulting in a more flexible heating system with lower running costs.

### Environment

Underfloor heating is suitable for use with the most energy efficient and environmentally friendly heating systems including condensing boilers, solar power and heat pumps.

## FLOOR FINISHES AND COVERING

The Speedfit Underfloor Heating System is suitable for most floor finishes, including ceramic tiles, carpets, vinyl and laminate.

However, the thermal resistance of the floor covering will have a marked effect on the performance of the heating system.

Advice on the use of floor coverings and their effect on the performance of a system is available from our Technical Help Desk.

For information on the effect of different floor finishes please refer the table on page 11.

## SET BACK - EXPLAINED

Compared to other forms of heating, underfloor heating can have a relatively slow response time, taking longer to heat up and cool down than radiator systems.

In order to reduce running costs and to have realistic heat up and cool down response times, rather than the system being switched off, the temperature setting is reduced by about 4°C. This is called set back because the system is turned down not off.

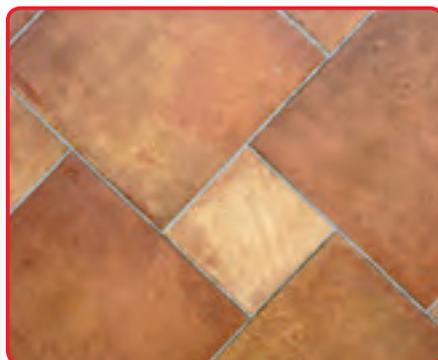
With the Speedfit System, set back can be achieved in two ways:

### Individual Programming

Programmable Room Thermostats can be installed in each zone. They give individual time and temperature control, alternating between daytime and set back temperatures.

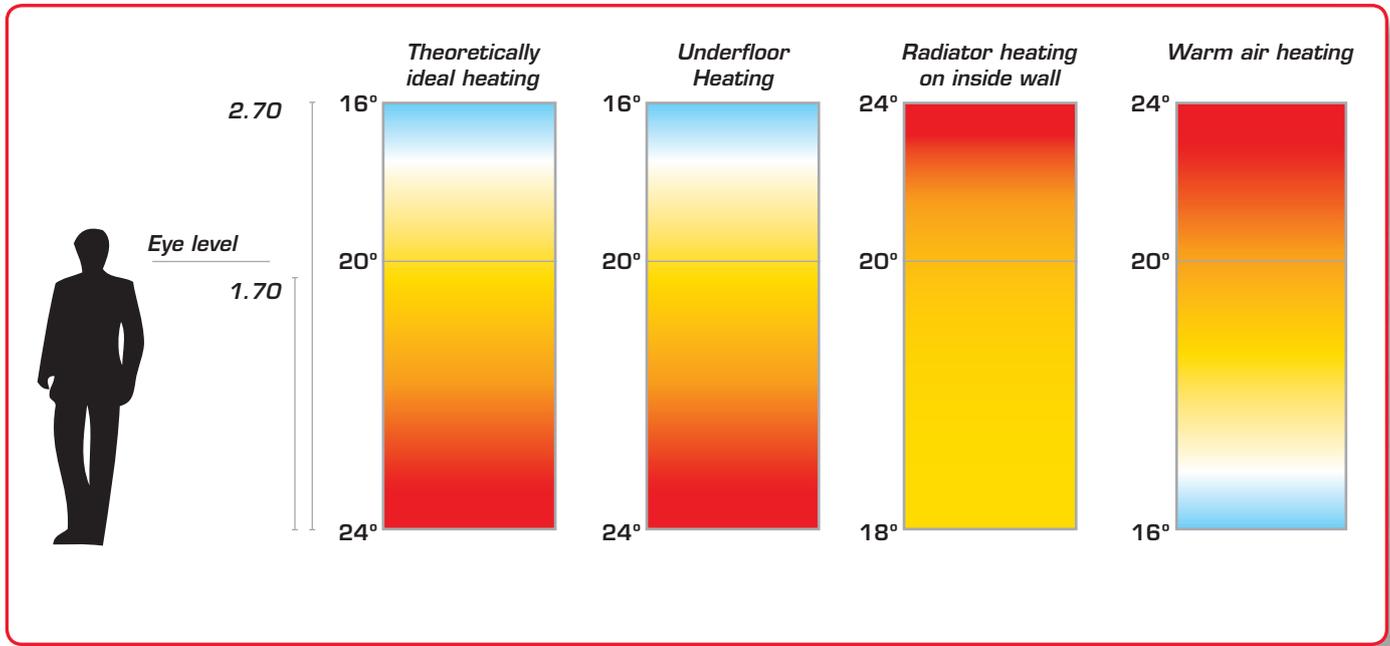
### Centralised Programming

The Dial Set Back Room Thermostat has its own 'Daytime' and 'Set Back' time controlled centrally using a Touch Screen Time Clock.



Variety of Floor Finish Options

# Underfloor Heating



As the chart above shows, people are more comfortable when their feet are in a warm area and their head is slightly cooler.

A system using radiators will have colder air at the bottom of a room which places your feet in the wrong place for comfortable living. This is because cold air is more dense (heavy) and it is pulled downwards by gravity.

In contrast, Underfloor Heating heats the whole floor. This means that the warmest space is the area nearest the floor, which matches the preferred heat profile.

In practice, normal comfort can be achieved at a lower air temperature than with conventional radiators because underfloor heating systems heat mainly by radiated energy, just like the energy from the sun.

Radiant energy is emitted by the floor giving an even distribution of heat. This means no cold spots, hot ceilings or cold feet.

In its simplest form, Underfloor Heating is pipes in the floor with blended water passing through them. The Speedfit Underfloor Heating System receives water from a heat source such as a boiler or heatpump. High temperature water from a source like a conventional boiler is then blended to reduce the flow temperature. It is then distributed via a manifold to heating circuits made up of Speedfit Barrier Pipe. Low temperature water, such as from a Heat Pump, may not need to be blended down.

The pipe is laid in concrete or suspended under timber flooring. Effectively, the floor is turned into a large, low surface temperature heat emitter which is economical to run and provides a similar level of comfort, at 20°C, to a convection system providing an air temperature of 21° - 22°C.

Heating times and comfort temperatures are controlled by individual thermostats to enable the user to maximise comfort, flexibility and reduce running costs.



## Preparation Considerations

### PLANNING AND ORGANISING YOUR PROJECT

The design of an underfloor heating system has a direct link to its output and efficiency. Careful consideration should be given to underfloor heating at an early stage in any project as the system needs to be integrated with construction and building programmes. The key to a successful installation is to invest time in planning the system. If your system has already been designed and you are ready to start your installation, it is useful to ensure you have covered all the points below. For example, the builder or architect needs to ensure that sufficient floor depth is available and that suitable insulation is specified. An increase in floor height at a late stage can have implications to other areas of the construction.

#### THINGS TO REMEMBER

- Insulation depth as required by design or building regulations and to ensure that any downward heat loss does not exceed 10 watts per m<sup>2</sup> in accordance with BSEN1264.

- The overall quality and thickness of a sand and cement screed should meet the requirements of BS8204-1.

### ORGANISING YOUR UNDERFLOOR HEATING PROJECT

#### CUSTOMER / CLIENT

- Supply up to date plans and relevant information to system designer.

#### SYSTEM DESIGNER

- Prepare design calculations, specifications, material schedules and layout drawings to BSEN1264.

#### INSTALLER

- Ensure the design drawings and specifications are followed and installed correctly.

- Full building plans including sections and elevations.
- Calculation of heat loss and heat requirement.
- Floor construction and insulation to be used.
- Preferred manifold locations.
- Heat source to be used.

### SPEEDFIT SERVICE

Planning your system does not need to be daunting. Speedfit offer a comprehensive design and technical support service. Our National team of engineers and designers will work closely with our customers and guide them through the whole process. A full support package is offered at every stage from the initial enquiry, through the design process, procurement of materials and followed up with on-site visits to offer installer advice.

### GATHERING ALL THE INFORMATION

The following information will be required to complete a system design.

## HEAT LOSS & HEAT OUTPUT FROM AN UNDERFLOOR HEATING SYSTEM

Some buildings need more heat than others. As building methods have progressed over the years and insulation materials have improved, less and less energy is needed to heat them up. When using radiators in an old building it is easy to increase the size of the radiator for poorly insulated rooms. This is not possible with Underfloor Heating as the floor size is fixed. While Underfloor Heating can easily heat the majority of homes, care needs to be taken to match the output of the Underfloor Heating to the needs of a room.

When installing the Underfloor Heating system, consideration should be paid to areas of high heat loss which may affect performance of the system.

These include :-

- Conservatories
- Un-insulated / poorly insulated walls.
- Single glazed or draughty windows.
- Open fireplace.
- Un-insulated lofts and floors.
- Areas with a high proportion of glazing.
- Room with a high perimeter wall to floor ratio.

In these situations, the thermal envelope of the buildings should be brought up to current building insulation standards.

The table opposite helps to highlight the relative heat output of a variety of floor finishes when used with different installation methods.

## HEAT OUTPUT TABLES (W/M<sup>2</sup>)

### 25MM OVERFIT

Floor finish and resistance (Tog)	Tog Value	Flow and Return Temperature °C			
		40/30	45/35	50/40	55/45
Tiles	0.1	36	50	65	78
Thin Timber Finish	0.5	32	45	58	70
Carpet Tiles/Laminate	1	29	40	52	64
Carpet and Underlay	1.5	26	36	47	58

Figures based on 15mm PB tube using 150mm pipe centres and a 10mm Plywood laid over.

## HEAT OUTPUT TABLES (W/M<sup>2</sup>)

### 50MM UNDERFIT BOARD

Floor finish and resistance (Tog)	Tog Value	Flow and Return Temperature °C			
		40/30	45/35	50/40	55/45
Tiles	0.1	22	20	39	48
Thin Timber Finish	0.5	20	28	36	44
Carpet Tiles/Laminate	1	18	26	33	41
Carpet and Underlay	1.5	17	22	31	38

Figures based on 15mm PB tube using 200mm pipe centres and a 22mm chipboard deck laid over.

## HEAT OUTPUT TABLES (W/M<sup>2</sup>)

### ALUMINIUM SPREADER PLATES

Floor finish and resistance (Tog)	Tog Value	Flow and Return Temperature °C			
		40/30	45/35	50/40	55/45
Tiles	0.1	28	40	52	64
Thin Timber Finish	0.5	26	36	47	58
Carpet Tiles/Laminate	1	24	33	43	53
Carpet and Underlay	1.5	22	31	39	48

Figures based on 15mm PB tube using 200mm pipe centres and a 22mm chipboard deck laid over.

## HEAT OUTPUT TABLES (W/M<sup>2</sup>)

### SCREEDED FLOOR

Floor finish and resistance (Tog)	Tog Value	Flow and Return Temperature °C			
		40/30	45/35	50/40	55/45
Tiles	0.1	60	80	95	120
Thin Timber Finish	0.5	48	66	83	95
Carpet Tiles/Laminate	1	40	53	69	83
Carpet and Underlay	1.5	34	47	58	70

Figures based on 15mm PB tube using 200mm pipe centres and a 65mm screed deck laid over.

Heat outputs are for guidance only and can vary with water temperature, floor finish and construction. Further information and advice is available on 01895 425333 or [www.speedfitUFH.co.uk](http://www.speedfitUFH.co.uk)

## Preparation Considerations

### DETERMINE THE FLOOR CONSTRUCTION AND INSTALLATION METHOD

If you are new to installing Underfloor Heating, you need to understand that the floor construction will normally determine the way in which the system is installed. There are several options available to suit both new build and renovation projects. Before commencing work, it is important to take some time to familiarise yourself with the steps needed for the floor construction you are working with.

**Solid floors** already have a requirement for insulation and screed. The pipework is fitted to the insulation using clips, staples, or using a number of other alternative methods. Once the pipework is in place and has been tested for leaks, the screed is laid on

top and left to cure. When the screed has had sufficient time to cure the heating is turned on, the screed is heated and this in turn heats the room. Solid screeded floors tend to give the highest heat output.

**Suspended Floors** are different as there is no screed to absorb the heat from the pipes and transfer this energy to the floor. There are a number of things to consider, such as, holding the pipes in place, transferring the energy from the pipes to the floor and insulating below the pipework in order to force the heat up into the floor covering. Suspended flooring usually needs a higher flow temperature from the boiler or heat

source.

Due to the nature of the floor construction (e.g. floor boards, underlay and carpets) the resistance to heat transfer is higher.

**Overfit** - Typically this method is used in refurbishment projects where floor depths are a consideration. Thin pre-grooved insulation boards are laid over the floor structure to enable a low height installation.

Refer to pages 20 to 33 for more information on solid/suspended/overfit systems.

### HEAT SOURCE & INTEGRATION OF NEW TECHNOLOGIES

With the drive to promote the use of renewable-energy sources in new buildings and refurbishment projects, the use of Heat Pumps with Underfloor Heating has clear benefits. Heat pumps generally supply a maximum water flow temperature of 35-45°C, which is an ideal temperature for Underfloor Heating. Using these lower temperatures increases the COP (Coefficient Of Performance) of the heat pump.

Because of the lower temperatures there is less energy per metre of pipe, therefore there may need to be an increase to the amount of pipe used in a project. This is typically achieved by using pipework at closer spacings which will

depend on the floor construction. With careful design of the Underfloor Heating system when combined with lower resistance floor finishes, efficiency can be increased resulting in lower emissions and lower fuel bills.

Converseley, poor levels of building insulation when combined with high resistance floor coverings may require a higher temperature output from the heat pump which may lead to poor performance or unacceptable response times.

For further advice & information please contact our technical support line 01895 425333.

## PRODUCT CHECKLIST



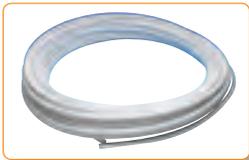
### UNDERFLOOR HEATING MANIFOLD

Manifolds distribute the heating water to each heating circuit in the system and allows the isolation and flow rate setting of each circuit. A unique feature to JG systems is that connections to the heating pipes are Speedfit push-fit, offering much reduced installation times. All manifolds are pre-fitted with brackets, vibration isolation mounts, and an automatic air vent. Flow rate indicators include the means to adjust flow rate and isolate the circuit. The Manifold can be assembled to suit left-hand or right-hand supply depending upon project type.



### CONTROL PACK

Connected to the manifold, this unit regulates the flow temperature and pumps the water to each circuit. When using a low temperature heat source or a dedicated boiler, a control unit may not be required. These compact, modular control packs for underfloor heating systems up to 14kW, are designed to be lightweight in order to connect directly to Speedfit manifolds without the need for extra brackets or support. The nickel plated material matches the stainless steel Speedfit manifold. The Control Pack consists of a mixing valve, circulating pump, return elbow, manifold adaptor and all necessary seals.



### SPEEDFIT LAYFLAT® BARRIER PIPE

Manufactured to the highest of standards, our pipe is available in either PEX or JG Layflat® Polybutylene. Speedfit Pipe has an inner barrier to prevent the ingress of oxygen molecules. It is manufactured and Kitemarked to British Standard BS7291: Parts 1, 2 & 3: Class S. JG Layflat® Pipe is easy to handle when removed from the coil and very flexible making it especially suitable for underfloor heating installations. For screed systems, the pipe is attached directly to insulation with staples, floor clips or mounting rails. Spreader Plates are available for timber flooring using either traditional joists or engineered I-Beam Joists.



### PIPE FIXING SYSTEM

A pipe fixing method will be needed in order to complete the necessary pipe circuits. A host of different pipe fixing systems are available depending on project type such as whether the installation is being completed on a solid or timber floor. For solid floor projects that will involve the use of screed, it is also important to choose appropriate insulation that can be fitted to a flat sub-base. For more information on the different Speedfit fixing systems, please go to our pipe installation section on pages 20 to 33.



### HEATING CONTROL SYSTEM

An appropriate allocation of heating thermostats will be required on all underfloor heating systems. JG Speedfit offer a variety of systems options including 230v standard and wireless along with internet enabled wireless. Also includes wireless thermostatic radiator control. For more information on the different Speedfit Thermostat Control Systems please go to page 36.

# Preparation Considerations

## READING A CAD DRAWING

A pipe layout plan is supplied with each project upon request. The drawing shows all the important information to correctly install the Underfloor Heating pipework and Manifolds. There are also details of flow rates, pipe spacing and routing of pipe from the manifold to each heated zone.

Before starting the installation, it is important to check that the drawing matches the site conditions as any

deviation could result in the need to revise the plans and potentially the underfloor heating materials required.

The manifold location and position of permanent fixtures such as kitchen units, cupboards and sanitary fittings should also be checked prior to installation to ensure they do not interfere with the pipe routing.

Thermostats should be cited in accordance with the manufacturers

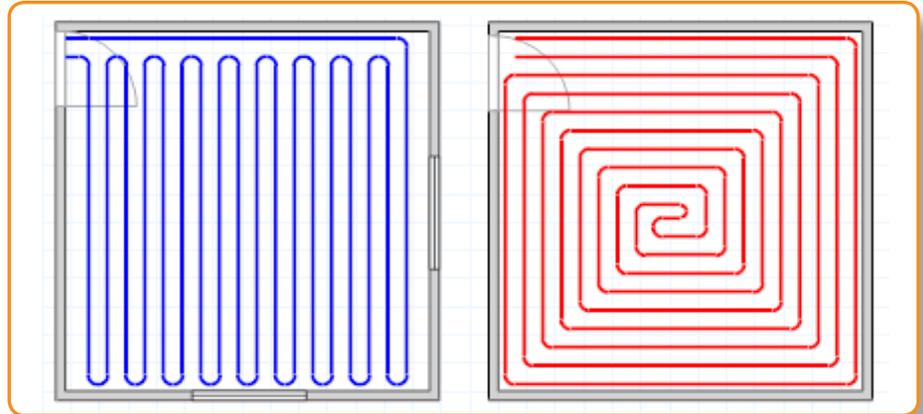
recommendation and site requirements.

There are alternative pipe patterns to those shown here, however, the main two that are used are Serpentine and Counterflow patterns.



## TYPICAL PIPE LAYOUTS

There are several ways to lay pipe depending on pipe spacing, room layout and fixing method. If a CAD drawing has been produced, this will show the specific pipe routes and patterns for the job. The examples opposite show the main options available, although there are many possible combinations.



**Diagram 1** - Serpentine is a simple up & down circuit pattern. It is especially good to use when you have irregular shaped rooms or small areas such as kitchens and utility rooms.

**Diagram 2** - Counterflow is a common circuit pattern to use. It can also sometimes be referred to as a spiral pattern. This pattern achieves an even floor temperature with alternating flow and returns (Typical pipe Spacing 200mm).

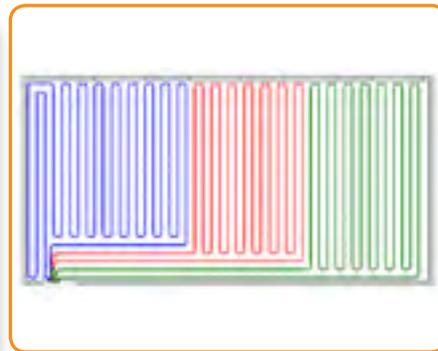
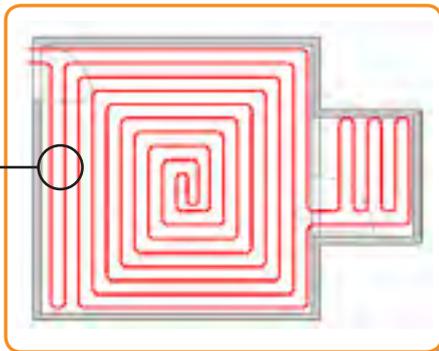
## COMBINED PIPE LAYOUTS

Different pipe patterns can be combined in irregular shaped rooms. In the below example the main area is a Counterflow pattern and then a Serpentine layout is used in the small ensuite area.

**TIP:** To reduce the chance of running out of pipe, the final part of the circuit in this example has been completed in a Serpentine pattern to enable circuit length adjustment on site.

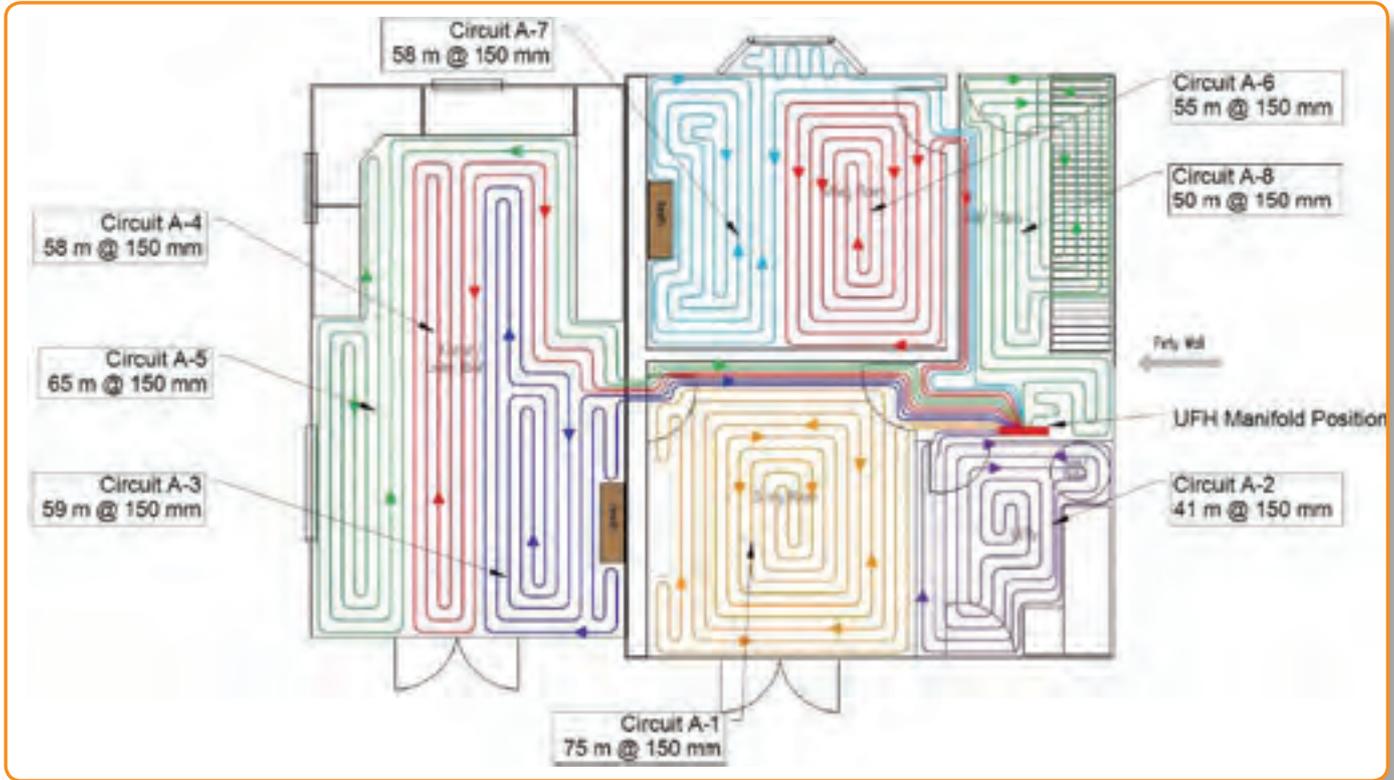
In rooms requiring multiple circuit areas, both Counterflow and Serpentine layouts can be used to good effect. Typical examples are shown below with three circuits required that enter the room at the bottom left hand corner. It is important to choose a pattern suitable for the room. For example, in areas of high heat loss, pipes may need to be closer together at one end of the room to counteract a large area of glazing.

The JG Speedfit Technical Support Team can advise you on your specific project.

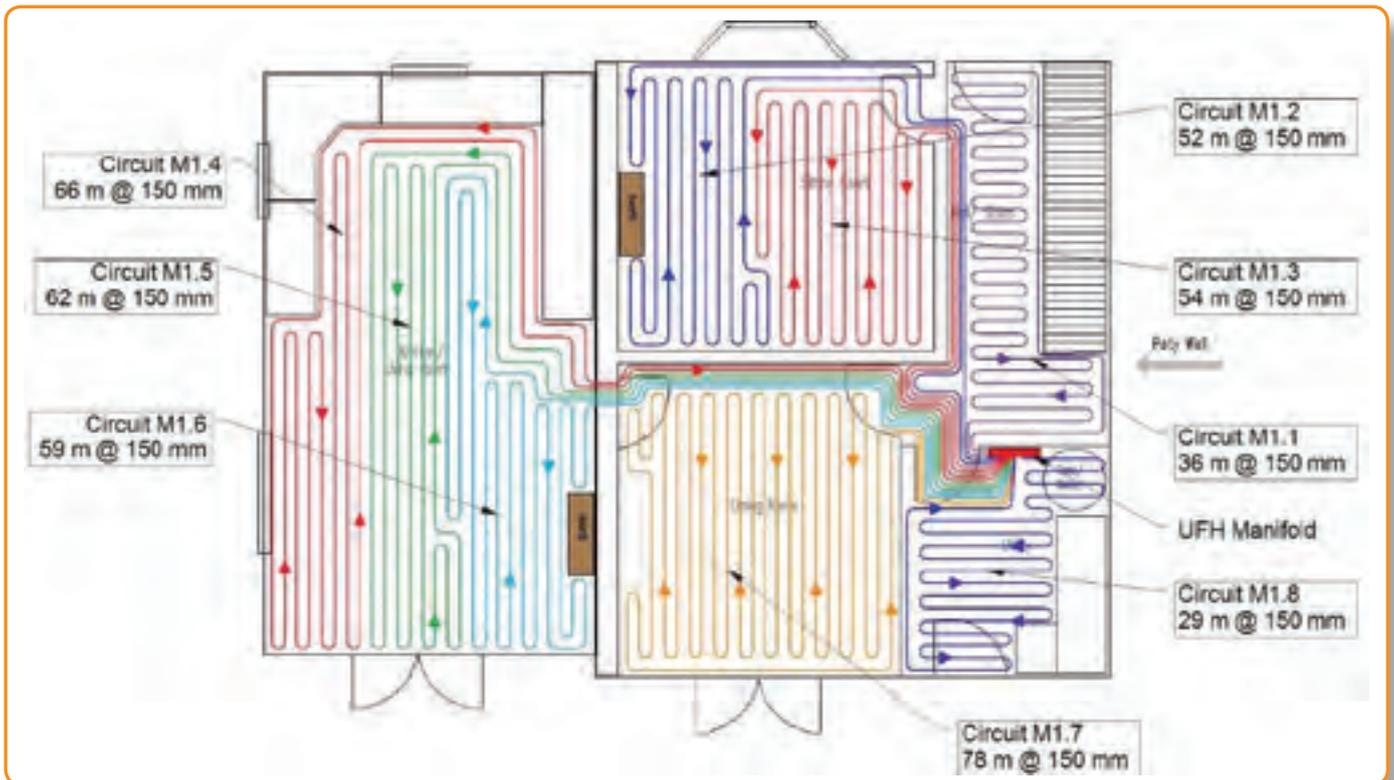


## Preparation Considerations

### TYPICAL PIPE LAYOUT USING COUNTERFLOW PIPE PATTERN



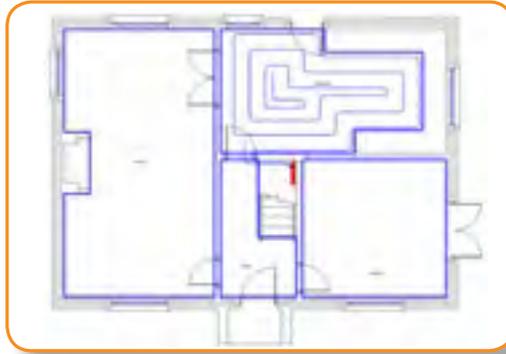
### TYPICAL PIPE LAYOUT USING SERPENTINE PIPE PATTERN



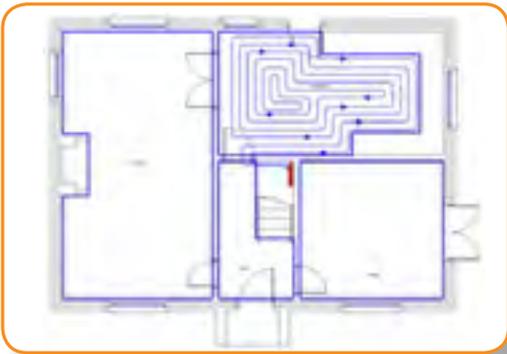
## LAYING YOUR PIPE



**STEP 1.** Install Underfloor Heating Manifold.



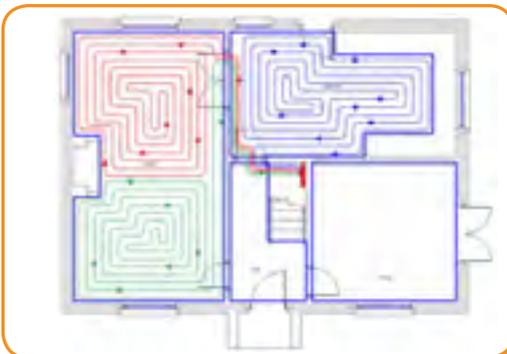
**STEP 2.** Working from left to right or right to left, install first loop working into the centre of the room.



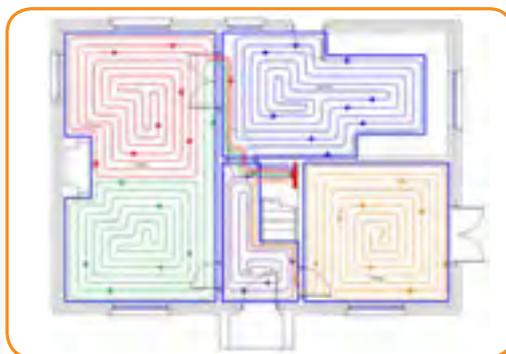
**STEP 3.** To complete the loop, return pipe inside the existing pattern back to the manifold maintaining the pipe spacing (typically 200mm).



**STEP 4.** Repeat the process for the next room.



**STEP 5.** In rooms with more than one circuit care should be taken to ensure enough room is left for flow and return runs back to the manifold.



**STEP 6.** Continue the process for the remaining rooms, ensuring pipes are not crossed in the floor.

### Preparation Considerations

#### PREPARING THE FLOORS IN SCREEDED AREAS

Prepared floor insulation should be fitted to a flat sub-base. This is important as the sheet insulation needs to be fully supported for maximum strength. The joints should be securely taped over.



**STEP 1.** Insulation depth and quality as required by design or building regulations, “whichever is greater” and to ensure that any downward heat loss from the Underfloor Heating does not exceed 10W/m<sup>2</sup>, in accordance with BSEN1264.



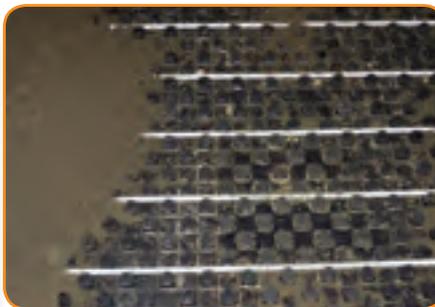
**STEP 2.** An expansion strip is required to accommodate the expansion which will occur within the screed as the result of it heating up. This expansion strip should be fitted round the perimeter of the room and taped to the membrane.



**STEP 3.** BS EN 1264 Part 4 requires a protective membrane placed over the insulation layer and it specifies Polyethylene film of at least 0.15mm thickness with 80mm overlaps or a similar product which performs the same function e.g. Aluminium Foil - fitted at the factory.



**STEP 4.** This vapour barrier will prevent the contamination of the insulation by the screed. It will also prevent liquid type screeds from flowing between gaps in the insulation and “floating” the boards during installation.



**STEP 5.** Screed is placed on top of the pipe circuits.



**STEP 6.** Screed depths need to be taken into consideration as part of the floor build thickness. (See page 20 for typical floor section).

#### SCREEDING

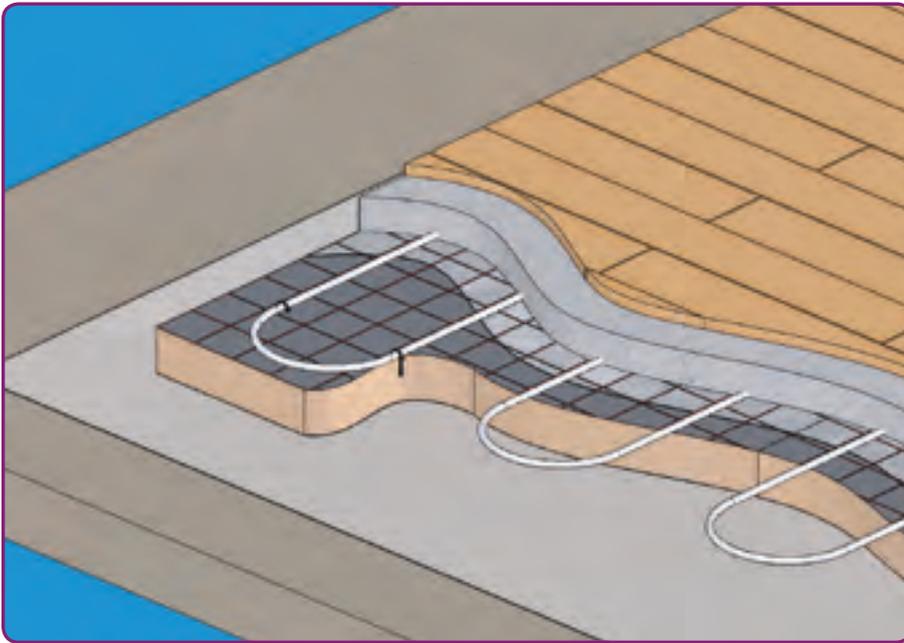
The Screed should be laid as soon as possible after the pressure test and the system should be left under pressure during the screeding process. Cement, sand and fine concrete screeds should be designed and laid to the recommendations in BS 8204. Low thickness pumped screeds are available from specialist installers and work well with Underfloor Heating. Screed drying times will vary, typically 28 days for a sand/cement screed. Underfloor Heating systems should not be used to speed up the screed drying process.

Some buildings, especially older types may have a higher heat loss than the Underfloor Heating can provide. In this case there may be a need to increase the insulation and reduce heat loss of the building or supplementary heating should be considered.



# Pipe Installation

## THE UFH STAPLE SYSTEM



### PRODUCTS ESSENTIAL FOR THIS INSTALLATION

#### PIPE STAPLES



Part No.	Description
JGUFHGUN	STAPLE GUN
JGUFHSTAPLE	PIPE STAPLES

#### EDGE STRIP

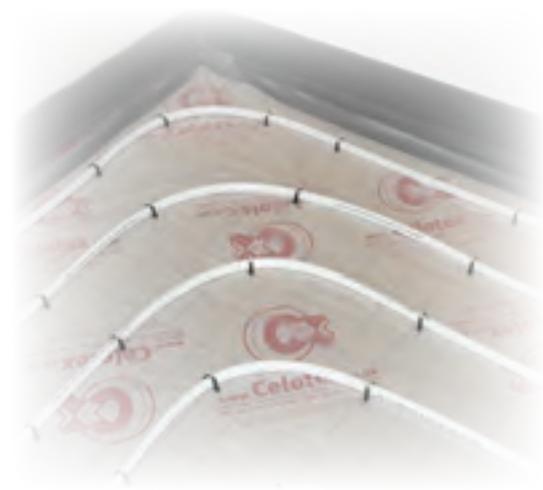


Part No.	Description
JGUFHEDGE	25 METRE ROLL

#### JG LAYFLAT® POLYBUTYLENE BARRIER PIPE

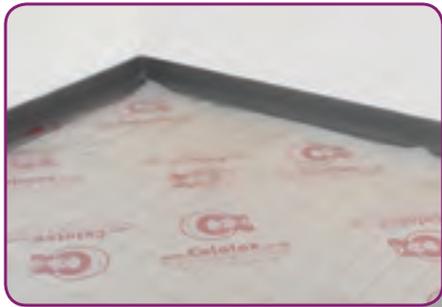


Part No.	Description	Size
15BPB-50C	BARRIER PIPE	15MM X 50M
15BPB-100C	BARRIER PIPE	15MM X 100M
15BPB-120C	BARRIER PIPE	15MM X 120M
15BPB-150C	BARRIER PIPE	15MM X 150M



## INSTALLING THE UFH STAPLE SYSTEM

Using the screed as a heat diffuser, JG Speedfit pipe is secured with staples to rigid insulation placed over the concrete sub-floor. A variety of screeds can be used and are typically 65-75mm thick for sand-cement types or 40-50mm for liquid pumped screeds. The system is quick to install, cost effective, and can be easily adaptable to irregular room shapes. Floor coverings can be laid when the screed is fully cured.



**STEP 1.** To prepare the floor, insulation should be fitted to a flat sub-base. The joints should also be taped and a membrane placed over the insulation.



**STEP 2.** An expansion strip is required around the perimeter of the room to accommodate the expansion which will occur within the screed as a result of heating up. This should be fitted around the perimeter of the room and taped to the membrane.



**STEP 3.** After establishing the area to be covered by the pipe circuit, connect to the manifold and start the circuit. If the circuit has to pass through other heated zones before reaching the zone it is intended to heat, conduit may be required.



**STEP 4.** Using the staple gun, fix the pipework to the installation in the desired pattern (see page 15 images on patterns of pipework). Starting the first circuit 75mm from the perimeter and staples should be approximately 500mm apart. More staples maybe needed on bends.



**STEP 5.** When using the pipe, unroll it from the outside of the coil and do not try to uncoil it from the centre, this will make the process easier. Keeping the first run of pipe around the perimeter straight and using a gauge to keep the designed pipe centres even will also help the installation process.



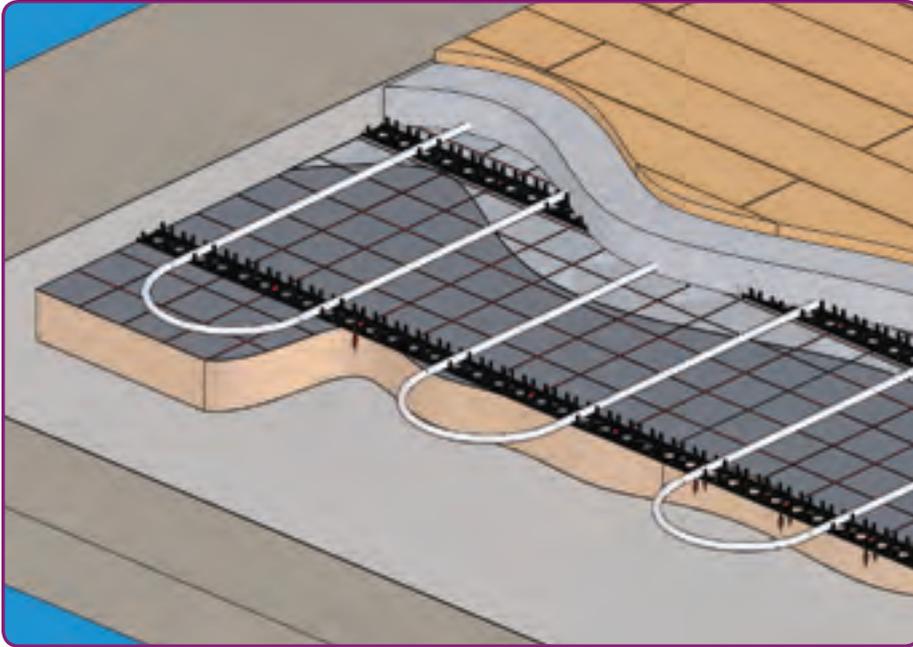
**STEP 6.** Once the pipe circuit has been installed and pressure tested, the system should remain under pressure (6 bar) in order to help prevent the risk of any damage to the pipe while the screed is being applied. When applying the screed, care should be taken to ensure the screed is tightly compacted around the pipe ensuring no voids are present.

### THINGS TO REMEMBER

- Insulation depth as required by design or building regulations to ensure that any downward heat loss does not exceed 10 watts per m<sup>2</sup> in accordance with BSEN1264.
- The overall quality and thickness of a sand and cement screed should meet the requirements of BS8204-1.

## Pipe Installation

### THE MOUNTING RAIL



## PRODUCTS ESSENTIAL FOR THIS INSTALLATION

### MOUNTING RAIL



Part No.	Description
JGUFHRAIL	2 METRE LONG
JGUFHPIN	RAIL PINS FOR ABOVE

### EDGE STRIP



Part No.	Description
JGUFHEDGE	25 METRE ROLL

### JG LAYFLAT® POLYBUTYLENE BARRIER PIPE

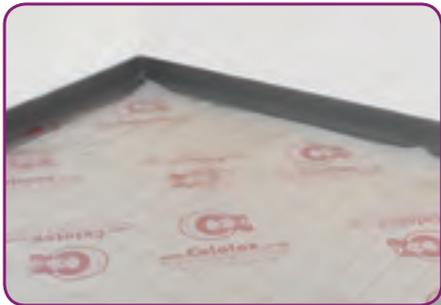


Part No.	Description	Size
15BPB-50C	BARRIER PIPE	15MM X 50M
15BPB-100C	BARRIER PIPE	15MM X 100M
15BPB-120C	BARRIER PIPE	15MM X 120M
15BPB-150C	BARRIER PIPE	15MM X 150M



## INSTALLING THE MOUNTING RAIL

Using the screed as a heat diffuser, Speedfit Pipe is secured to 'Clip Rails' on top of rigid insulation which is placed over the concrete sub-floor. A variety of screeds can be used and are typically 65-75mm thick for sand-cement types or 40-50mm for liquid pumped screeds. The system provides ready made pipe spacing, can be fixed to insulation which is too thin for staples, and is especially suitable for large regular shaped areas. Floor coverings can be laid when the screed is fully cured.



**STEP 1.** To prepare the floor, insulation should be fitted to a flat sub-base. The joints should be taped and membrane placed over the insulation.



**STEP 2.** An expansion strip is required around the perimeter of the room to accommodate the expansion which will occur within the screed as a result of heating up. This should be fitted around the perimeter of the room and taped to the membrane.



**STEP 3.** After establishing the area to be covered by the circuit, connect to the manifold and start the circuit. If the circuit has to pass through other heated zones before reaching the zone it is intended to heat, conduit may be required.



**STEP 4.** The mounting rail has double sided tape, this may need to be supplemented with the use of JGUFHPIN depending on the adhesions of the installation.



**STEP 5.** The mounting rail is placed at about 750/800mm apart ensuring the slots are aligned neatly.



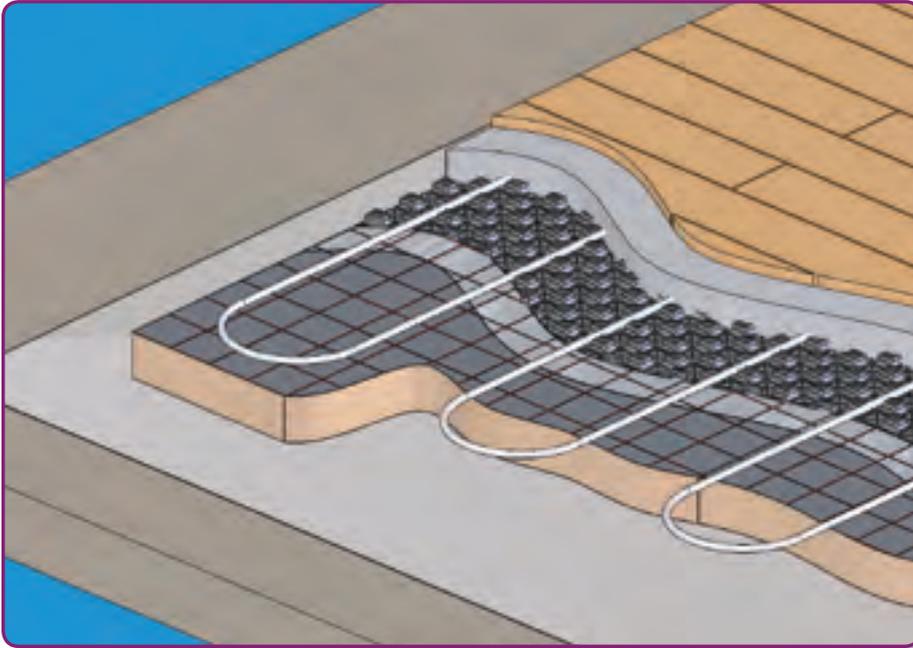
**STEP 6.** A serpentine pattern is usually the most convenient to use with the mounting rail system. Ensure to allow enough space at the end of the circuits for the flow and return from the manifolds.

### THINGS TO REMEMBER

- 1.5 to 2 linear metres of mounting rail per sq/m of floor area. 1 pack per 20sq/m.
- Maximum circuit length 100m of 15mm pipe.
- Maximum coverage Approx. 100m centres 11 sq/m 200mm centres 20sq/m.
- Maximum heat output for 200mm centres = 100Wsq/m.
- Recommended design flow temperature 50°C.
- Insulation depth as required by design or building regulations to ensure that any downward heat loss does not exceed 10 watts per m<sup>2</sup> in accordance with BSEN1264.

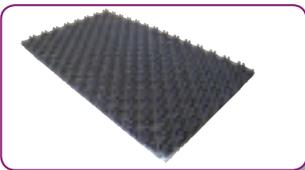
# Pipe Installation

## FLOOR PANEL SYSTEM



### PRODUCTS ESSENTIAL FOR THIS INSTALLATION

#### FLOOR PANELS



Part No.	Description	Size
JGUFHTILE	FLOOR TILE	1400MM X 800MM

#### EDGE STRIP



Part No.	Description
JGUFHEDGE	25 METRE ROLL

#### JG LAYFLAT® POLYBUTYLENE BARRIER PIPE



Part No.	Description	Size
15BPB-50C	BARRIER PIPE	15MM X 50M
15BPB-100C	BARRIER PIPE	15MM X 100M
15BPB-120C	BARRIER PIPE	15MM X 120M
15BPB-150C	BARRIER PIPE	15MM X 150M



## INSTALLING FLOOR PANEL SYSTEM

Speedfit Floor Panels make a simple grid to ensure quick and easy pipe laying and also provide a precise guide for the pipe, ensuring that minimum pipe bending radius is achieved. Suitable for use with cement screed (4:1 mix), pumped screed systems (anhydrite, etc.), fine or heavy concrete or polymer modified screeds.



**STEP 1.** Edge insulation should be installed around the perimeter of the room to accommodate expansion that will occur when the screed is heated up. It is good practice to seal the gap between the potential space between the expansion and the floor panel.



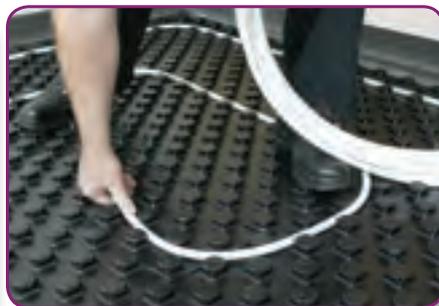
**STEP 2.** Floor panels should be fitted to a suitable flat sub base. Extra insulation maybe required to match design or building regulations and to ensure that any downward heat loss does not exceed 10 Watts m<sup>2</sup> in accordance with BSEN1264.



**STEP 3.** The "egg box" sections of the panel clip firmly together to make a continuous seal. Floor panels should not be used at the base of a manifold as pipes need to be closer together than the floor panels will allow. Pipes around this area should be secured using pipe staples.



**STEP 4.** When a pumped (liquid) screed is to be used it is essential that all of the panel joints are made correctly and that no panels are allowed to simply 'butt-up' as this may allow the screed to flow below the panels causing them to rise up.



**STEP 5.** Starting from a manifold, after establishing the area to be covered, unroll the pipe and push firmly into the gap between the egg box sections. Cover the designed area in the appropriate pattern and return the pipework to the manifold.



**STEP 6.** Once the pipe circuits have been installed and pressure tested, the system should remain under pressure (6 bar) in order to prevent the risk of any damage being caused to the pipe while the screed is being applied. When applying the screed cover, care should be taken to ensure that the screed is tightly compacted.

### THINGS TO REMEMBER

- BS EN 1264-4 recommends that an expansion joint is constructed in stone and ceramic finished screeds for every 40m<sup>2</sup> of floor area at a maximum length of 8m and an aspect ratio of 2:1. An expansion joint is also required in long narrow areas such corridors etc.
- Insulation depth as required by design or building regulations and to ensure that any downward heat loss does not exceed 10 watts per m<sup>2</sup> in accordance with BSEN1264.

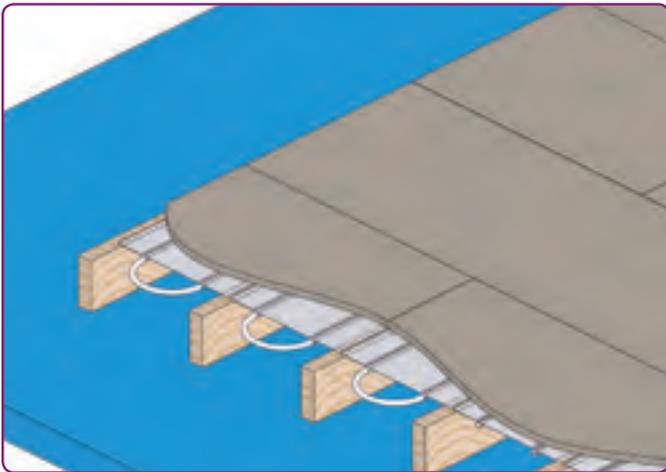
### Pipe Installation

#### SUSPENDED TIMBER FLOORS

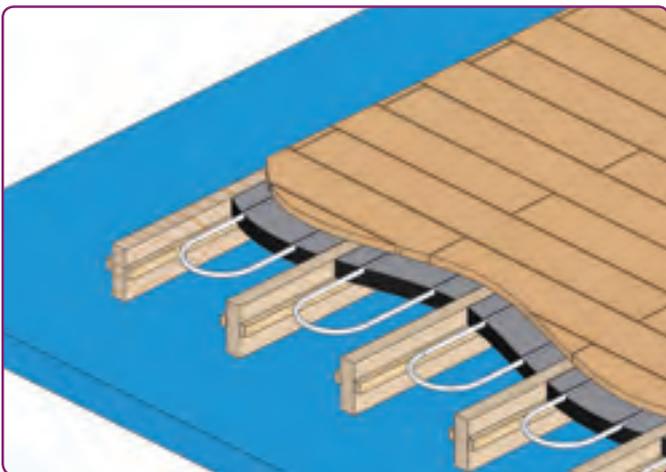
Timber and floating floors generally use heat spreader plates to transfer the heat from the pipes. There are many variations of these floor types and particular requirements should be discussed with our Technical Support Team.

Speedfit Pipe is installed into grooved aluminum plates which are first fixed from above in the case of traditional joists or from below when engineered I-Beam Joist systems are used. If the floor can be raised, floors can also be counter-battened to make installation even easier. Insulation is installed below the plates and it is important that the floor decking is in contact with the plate to maximise output.

#### SPREADER PLATES



#### UNDERFIT



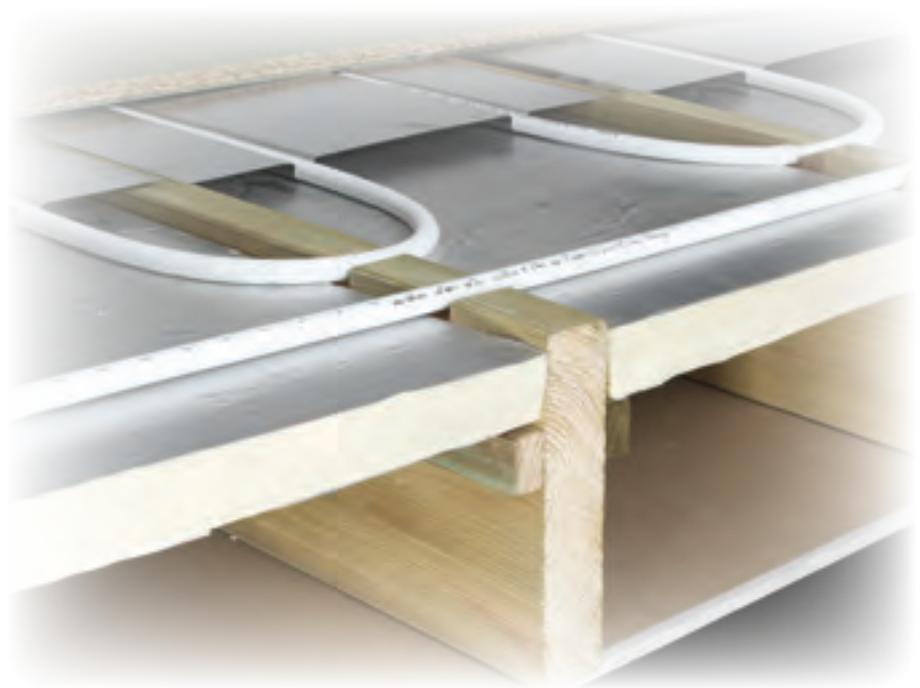


## Pipe Installation

### INSTALLING JG UFH PLATE SYSTEM - FROM ABOVE

JG Speedfit's plate system is designed for use in timber suspended or battened floors. The floor system uses aluminium single or double spreader plates to transmit the heat evenly across the finished floor surface.

They can be used as illustrated, below a floor supported on insulation. Alternatively, where there will be a secondary layer of floor placed above a sheet sub floor the plates can be sandwiched between the floor layers supported on battens. With a twin layer floor this second method is recommended as it removes a layer of resistance to heat transfer.



**STEP 1.** Plates need to be supported so that they sit level and make a good contact with the floor placed on them from above. Maintaining this contact is essential in producing good heat transfer.

**STEP 4.** Fix the plates to the top of the joists ensuring the fixing will not protrude and prevent the floor from having a good contact with the floor. 18mm staples fixed using an air stapler is the preferred method. Allow 300mm for pipe end returns and a 15mm gap between plates. Use a short length of pipe pressed into the grooves to line up the plates before fixing.

**STEP 2.** Some time spent planning the installation will save time later and make installation easier. The main consideration is the amount of runs and the route those pipes will take from the manifold.

**STEP 5.** Run the pipework to the designed or desired pattern being careful to ensure the plates remain flush with the top of the joists. The pipework can enter the plate system at either end or in the centre, pipework can be cabled through joists or via grooves at the top of the joists. Consult building regulations to ensure compliance.

**STEP 3.** Battens should be fixed along the length of the joist, 15mm plus the depth of insulation board being used down from the top of the joists in order to support the insulation along its length. This will allow a 15mm gap between the surface of the insulation and the top of the joist.

**STEP 6.** Before fixing the floor to the joists it is recommended that a thin sheet of plastic is placed over the plates. This will act as a slip membrane to cut down expansion noises as the plates heat up and rub against the bottom of the finished floor.

#### KEY DATA

Approx. Coverage Double Plates - 2 Plates per 1m<sup>2</sup> 1 box of 10 = 5m<sup>2</sup>  
 Recommended Design Temperature 60°C - Maximum Heat Output Approx. 70W/m

## INSTALLING JG UFH PLATE SYSTEM - FROM BELOW

JG Plate from below system is intended for use with modern pre engineered joists.

As modern joists rely on the floor above being bonded and screwed to the joist's top surface. Because of this the normal practice of fitting the plates onto the top of the joists is not available.



**STEP 1.** Planning is important to establish the areas that are to be fitted with plates and the route the pipework must take from the manifold to the area to be heated. Remember that the pipework can pass through the joists in the same way that the Heating and hot and cold pipes do. Make sure that any drilling zones are observed.

**STEP 4.** The pipework can start at either end or if needed in the middle of a run. Again this is usually dictated by the joist layout. A serpentine pattern is usually best suited to this system, working out beforehand the path the pipework will take will make the installation process easier.

**STEP 2.** Fixing the plates firmly to the underneath of the joists using screws, tacks or a suitable staple gun. Allow a 50mm gap between the plates, a straight length of pipework can be used to ensure the grooves are lined up.

**STEP 5.** Care needs to be taken when installing the pipework as kinking the pipe due to over bending or careless use will necessitate a new section of pipework. Unlike using a pipe in a screed that cannot be replaced if damaged, pipework used below joists can have fittings as part of the heating system as long as the normal operating temperatures are observed and access is provided in the unlikely event of a leak.

**STEP 3.** Take care to allow enough room at the ends for pipework returns and accommodate the designed spacing, this will typically be 200mm which is often dictated by the joist centres.

**STEP 6.** Once the pipework is installed and pressure tested, insulation can be fitted to prevent downwards heat loss.

### KEY DATA

Approx. Coverage - 4 Plates per 1m<sup>2</sup>  
Recommended Design Temperature 60°C - Maximum Heat Output Approx. 70W/m

### Pipe Installation

#### INSTALLING JG UNDERFIT® - JOISTS AND BATTENED FLOORS

A grooved, foil faced insulation panel for installing 15mm Speedfit pipe over existing floor structures (between battens) or under the floor (between existing joists). The system is a suitable choice for both new build and renovation projects.

Similar to other JG Speedfit Underfloor Heating systems, a variety of floor coverings can be used.



**STEP 1.** JG 'Underfit®' is intended to be used below flooring and supported firmly in contact with the underside of the flooring. It is ideally suited to refurbishment projects. As with all Underfloor Heating systems additional insulation may be required to meet building requirements.

**STEP 4.** Grooves spaced at 200mm from centre of pipe, the boards can be sized to accommodate most joist centres. If the panel is too wide, trim the material evenly from both sides to ensure a snug fit.

**STEP 2.** Some time spent planning the installation will save time later and make installation easier. The main consideration is the amount of runs and the route these pipes will take from the manifold.

**STEP 5.** Pipework can enter the panel system at either end or even in the centre, pipework can be cabled through joists or via grooves at the top of the joists. Consult building regulations to ensure compliance.

**STEP 3.** Battens should be fixed along the length of the joist, 50mm down from the top of the joists in order to support the panels along its length. Good contact between the surface of the panel and the bottom of the flooring is essential in maximising the performance of this system.

**STEP 6.** Pipework can enter the panel system at either end or even in the centre, pipework can be cabled through joists or via grooves at the top of the joists. Consult building regulations to ensure compliance.

#### DATA - 50mm UNDERFIT® BOARD

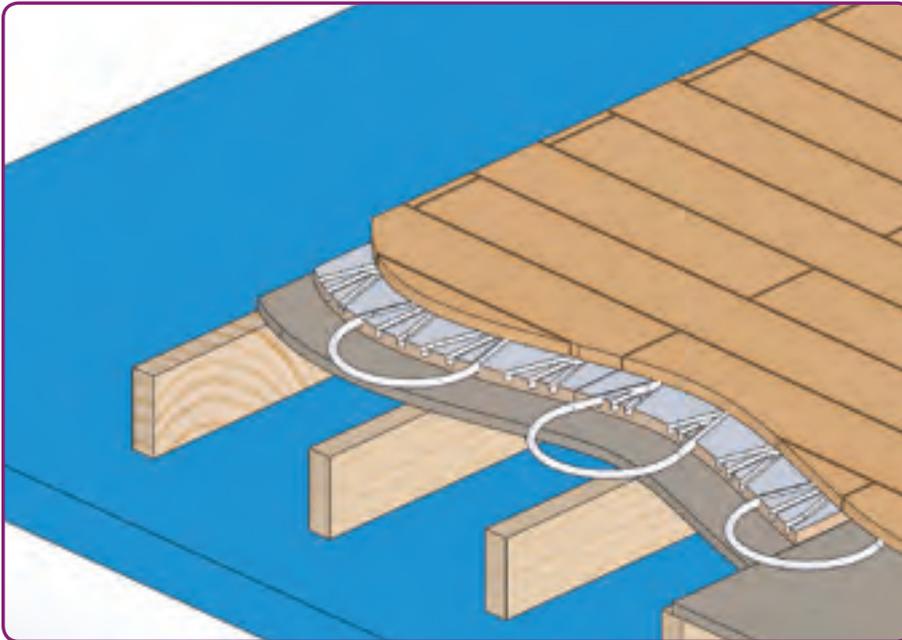
Dimensions	- 1200 x 350 x 50 mm
Materials	- Expanded Polystyrene BS EN 13163
Compressive Strength	- 100 (kPa) @ 10% compression
Conductivity	- 0.036 (W/mk)
Heat Output	- Approx 50 - 60w/m <sup>2</sup>
Recommended Flow Temperature	- 50 - 60°C
Pipe Centres	- 200mm
Maximum Circuit Length	- 100m
Typical Coverage per Loop	- 15 - 20m <sup>2</sup>
Applications	- New Build or renovation, single or multiple rooms

Floor Coverings	- Tiles/slate/ceramic etc. Carpet/Vinyl Laminate floors Natural wood
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### Pipe Installation

#### RETROFIT (OVERFIT)



#### PRODUCTS ESSENTIAL FOR THIS INSTALLATION

##### OVERFIT® BOARD



##### EDGE STRIP



##### JG LAYFLAT® POLYBUTYLENE BARRIER PIPE



Part No.	Description	Size
JGUFHBOARD1	OVERFIT BOARD	1250MM X 600MM

Part No.	Description
JGUFHEDGE	25 METRE ROLL

Part No.	Description	Size
15BPB-50C	BARRIER PIPE	15MM X 50M
15BPB-100C	BARRIER PIPE	15MM X 100M
15BPB-120C	BARRIER PIPE	15MM X 120M
15BPB-150C	BARRIER PIPE	15MM X 150M

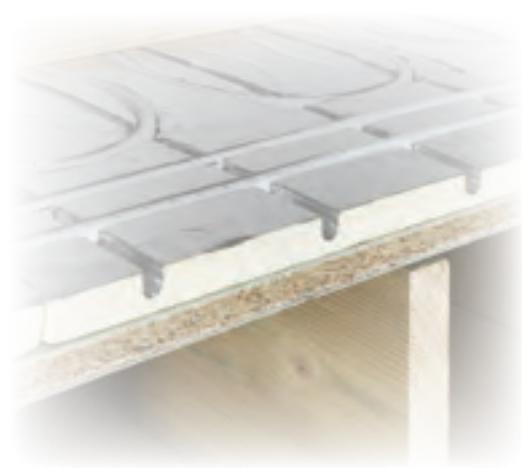
**NOTE:** In order to prevent movement and subsequent cracking, when planning to lay a tiled floor the following recommendations should be followed. A heavy lapped backer board should be used.

The Overfit should be fitted to a flat surface giving sufficient support for the boards and intended use. Good building practice should be observed and the tile & backer board manufacturers recommendations should be followed.

##### THINGS TO REMEMBER

- Dimensions – 1250 x 600 x 25mm Board
- Heat Output – Approx 50-60 w/m<sup>2</sup>
- Pipe Centres – 150mm
- Maximum Circuit length – 100m



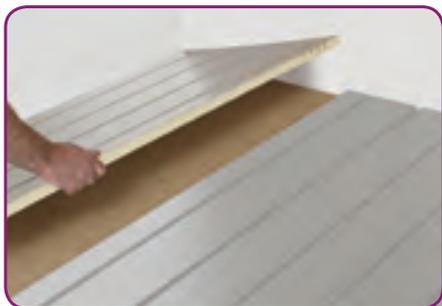


## INSTALLING THE JG OVERFIT® SYSTEM

JG UFH Overfit® is a low profile System for new build or renovation projects.

JG Overfit® is a lightweight insulated panel with high compressive strength intended for use with lightweight floor coverings, e.g. laminate, engineered wood and carpet. Due to its ease of handling and cutting it is also suitable for larger areas and multiple room installations.

The installation uses 15mm pipe and 150mm centres for a highly responsive system.



**STEP 1.** The main consideration is the amount of runs and the route those pipes will take from the manifold. If more transit grooves are needed then the grooves at the opposite ends can be cut off and used. Where possible route pipes through rather than around walls and doorways to cut down on pipework congestion. When lining up panels use a short length of pipe placed in the grooves to align them together.



**STEP 2.** Plates need to be supported so that they sit level and make a good contact with the floor placed on them from above. Maintaining this contact is essential in producing good heat transfer.



**STEP 3.** After placing the boards and ensuring they are flat and level and the joints are butted up firmly. Tape the joints using JGTAPE.



**STEP 4.** Start laying the pipework by pressing it firmly into the grooves. Where the pipework is connected to the manifold there will be a need to use plain insulation and pipe staples to accommodate the closer pipe centres.



**STEP 5.** Where the pipe changes direction cut the foil in the return loops using a craft knife to prevent damage to the board. This will ensure a tight fit for the pipework.



**STEP 6.** After installing the pipework JGTAPE can be placed over the end loops to prevent the pipework from becoming dislodged during the installation of the finished floor.

### DATA - 25mm OVERFIT® BOARD

Dimensions	- 1250 x 600 x 25mm
Materials	- Extruded Polystyrene-XPS2 (BS EN 13164)
Compressive Strength	- 250 (kPa) @ 10% compression
Conductivity	- 0.029 (W/mk)
Heat Output	- Approx 50 - 60w/m <sup>2</sup>
Recommended Flow Temperature	- 50 - 60°C
Pipe Centres	- 150mm
Maximum Circuit Length	- 100m
Typical Coverage per Loop	- 13 - 15m <sup>2</sup>
Applications	- New Build or renovation, single or multiple rooms

Floor Coverings	Tiles/slate/ceramic etc. - use with Knauff Brio Board or equivalent.
Carpet/vinyl	- use with suitable plywood covering.
Laminate floors	- use directly over insulation as floating floor.
Natural wood	- fix to battens between panels.

# JG UFH Manifold & Pump Pack Installation

## INSTALLING THE MANIFOLD AND PUMP PACK

The installation of the manifold is an integral stage of the process. The JG Speedfit Manifold kits are for use on underfloor heating or radiator systems. The Manifold consists of two rails, one for the flow and one for the return, complete with ball valves and drain / filling valves. JG Manifolds are complete with pre-fitted brackets and vibration isolation mounts.



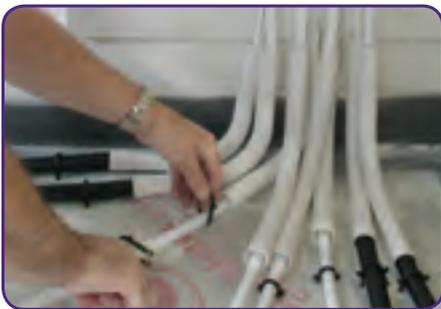
**STEP 1.** Fix the pre-assembled manifold to the wall, allowing enough height to accommodate the insulation and screed depth and also the pipe work and conduit elbows.



**STEP 2.** Using the supplied washer fit the JG control pack. Isolation valves fitted to the inlet side of this unit will be useful in the event of needing to change a pump or blending unit.



**STEP 3.** Connect the pipework to the manifold following the guidelines for fitting JG pipe and fitting. It is best to start from one end of the manifold and work to the other. The use of JG conduit elbows will make the process easier and neater and enable the conduit to be inserted into the socket end.



**STEP 4.** Run the pipework from the manifold to the room that is to be heated. Ensure that if the pipework is passing through other rooms that conduit is used to prevent the pipework influencing the heat in those rooms. Ensure the pipework is at least 75mm from the perimeter wall.



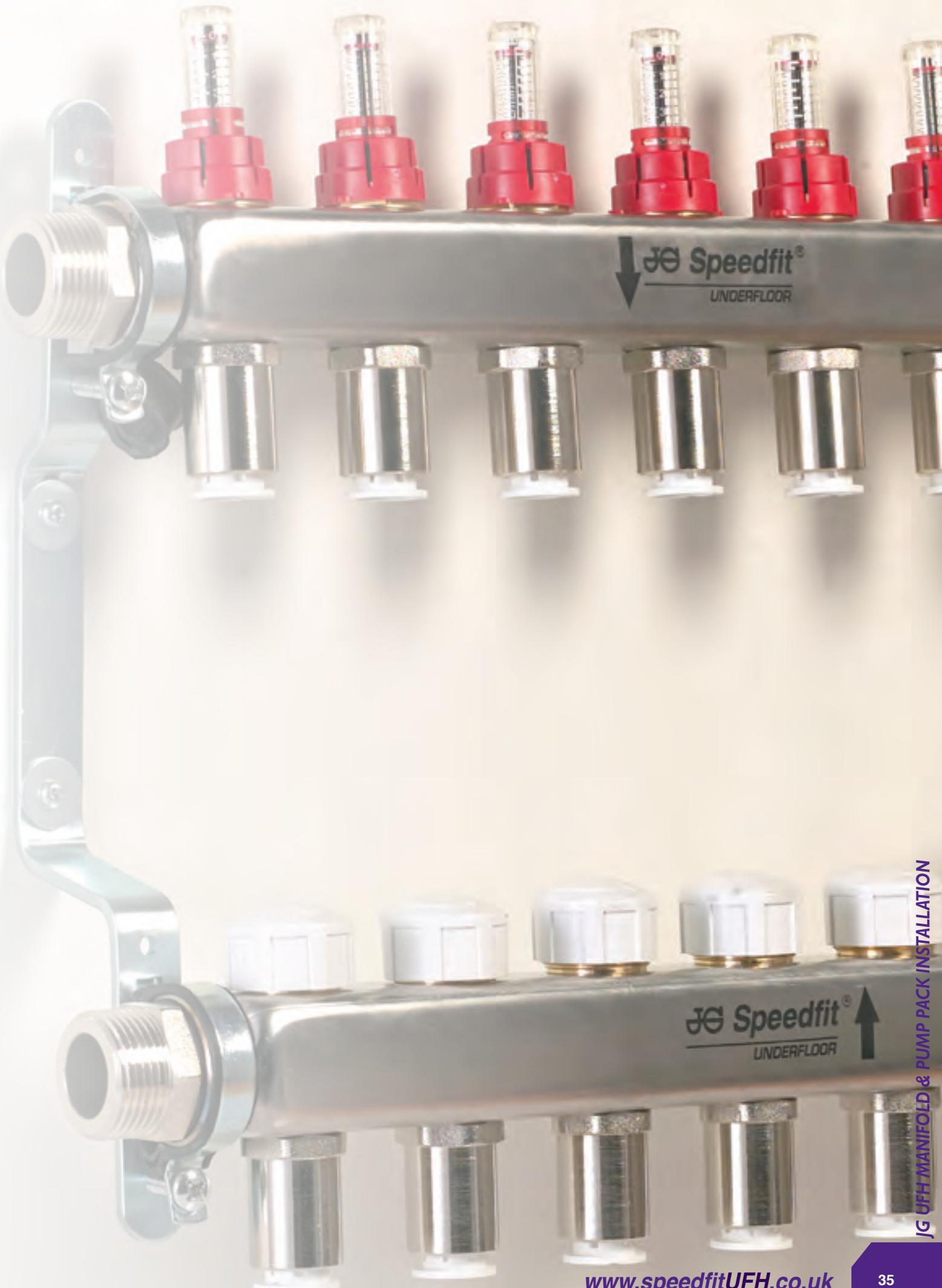
**STEP 5.** The flow meters at the top of the manifold give a visual indication of the amount of water flowing through each circuit. The amount of flow will depend on the length of circuit and the temperature drop required. Generally the shorter the circuit the more restriction will be needed; this is called balancing the system.



**STEP 6.** The designed temperature through the circuits is controlled by turning the blending valve knob to the desired temperature.

### THINGS TO REMEMBER

- Insulation depth as required by design or building regulations and to ensure that any downward heat loss does not exceed 10 watts per m<sup>2</sup> in accordance with BSEN1264.
- Decorator caps can be used for manual isolation of a circuit and will usually be replaced by Electro Mechanic Actuators for fully automatic control.



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JG UFH MANIFOLD & PUMP PACK INSTALLATION

## Heating Controls - 3 Options

### JG AURA 230V CONTROLS

At the heart of the JG Aura 230v range is once again our unique 4 in 1 JG Aura thermostat, providing combined control of UFH and radiators allowing simple installation of multi zone energy saving systems in new or retrofit projects. The thermostat can operate as a Programmable Room Thermostat, Group Control Thermostat, Group Thermostat and a Hot Water Timer.

To enable the Group Control functionality it is essential that a 0.5mm 2 core data cable is utilised within the wiring process. The Group Control Thermostat can control a variation of both digital thermostats and dial thermostats from one central location. The optional data cable will not be required if the thermostats are to be used as individual Programmable Room Thermostats.

The Group Control Thermostat can control up to eight thermostats plus a Hot Water Timer.



### JG AURA WIRELESS CONTROLS

The unique JG Aura 4 in 1 wireless thermostat is designed to present wireless control of your underfloor heating system including unique wireless boiler communication when installing the JG Aura Boiler Receiver. The JG Aura wireless thermostat is designed to work with the JG Aura app when incorporating the internet hub, presenting you ultimate control of time and temperature for your underfloor heating and hot water wherever you are in the world. The stylish slim line thermostats offer touch sensitive control at your fingertips. Uniquely, the installer is presented with two options of powering the thermostat, using either batteries or simply mains powered.



At the heart of the range is the unique JG Aura thermostat that can operate in 4 easily configured modes, Programmable Room Thermostat, Group Control Thermostat, Group Thermostat or Hot Water Timer and can be used as Programmable Room Thermostat or combined into groups allowing convenient group control of many functions from one central place.

### JG APP CONTROL

For use with the JG Aura Wireless Range. The JG Aura App gives you the freedom to control your underfloor heating and hot water no matter where you are via smart phone, tablet or desktop computer. The easy to use interface and intuitive nature of the JG Aura app, makes control of your heating system completely accessible from anywhere and at any time that suits you.



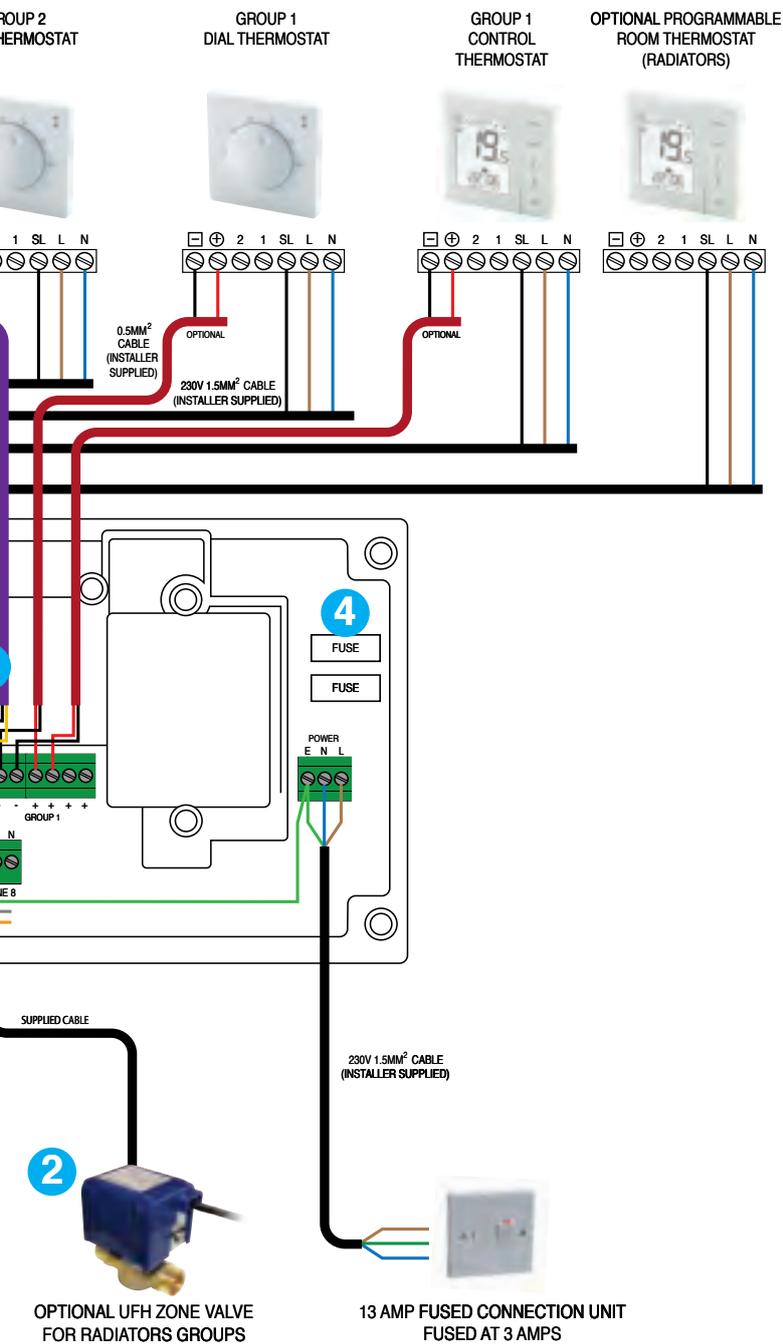
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Screws and Plugs



JGWC



JGWC meets the following EC directives:

- Electro-Magnetic compatibility directive 2004/108/EC
- Low voltage directive 2006/95/EC
- RoHS2 directive 2011/65/EU



These instructions are applicable to the Speedfit Aura model as stated above.



#### Warning

This product must be fitted by a competent person, and installation must comply with the guidance, standards and regulations applicable to the location where the product is installed. Failure to comply with the requirements of the relevant guidance, standards and regulations could lead to prosecution, injury or death.

Earthing/bonding of all field devices must be in accordance with the aforementioned guidance, standards and documentation.

Always isolate the AC Mains supply before installing or working on any components that require 230v AC 50Hz supply.

Isolation of the mains supply to the JG Wiring Centre via the local fused connection unit MAY NOT isolate all mains voltages present (such as boiler enable).



230v Dial Thermostat  
Part No.  
JGSTAT1



230v Thermostat and Hot Water  
Part No.  
JGSTAT2W



Part No.  
JGSTAT2B



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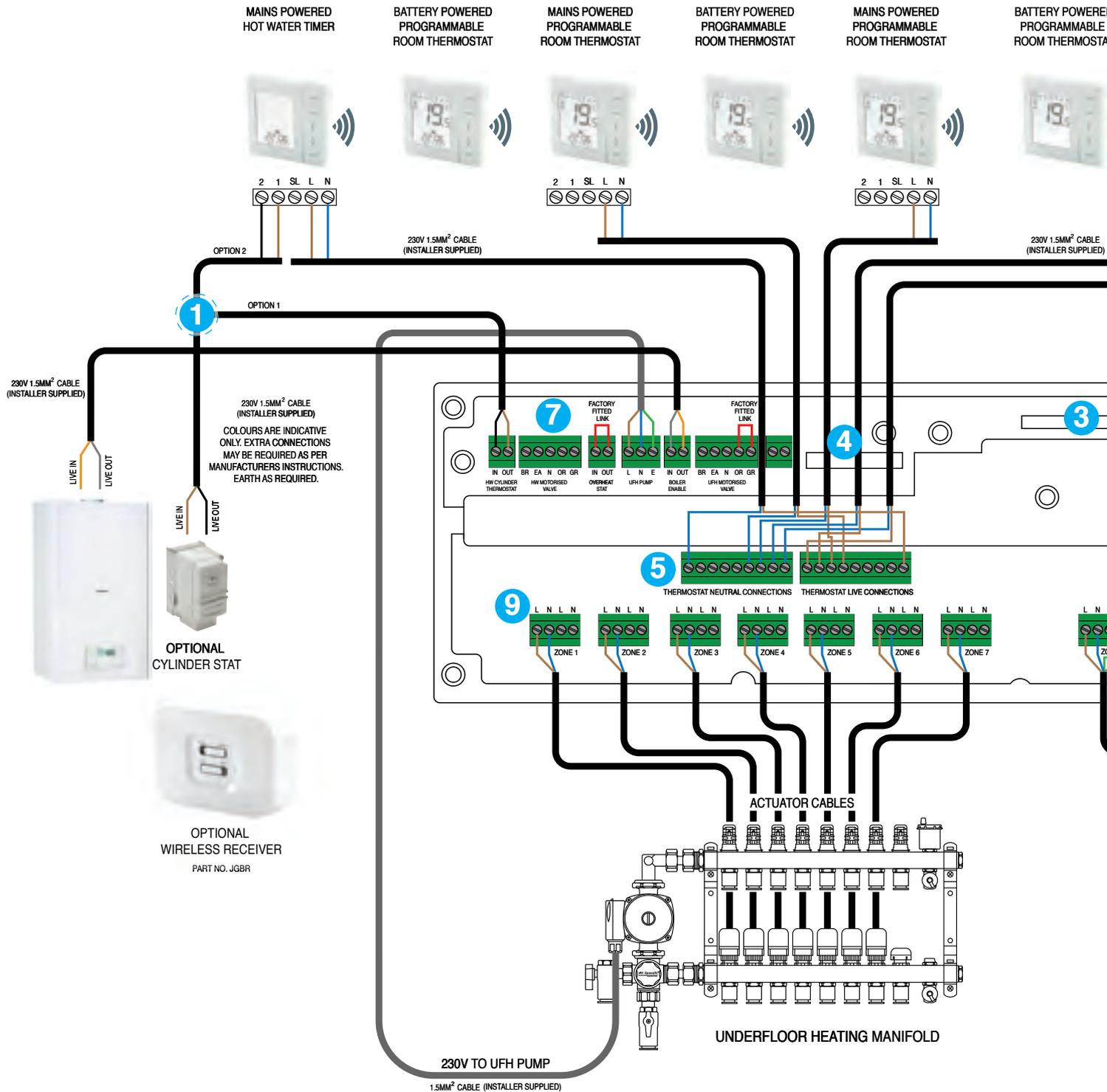
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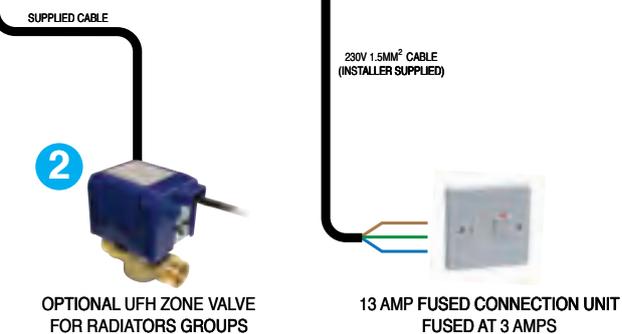
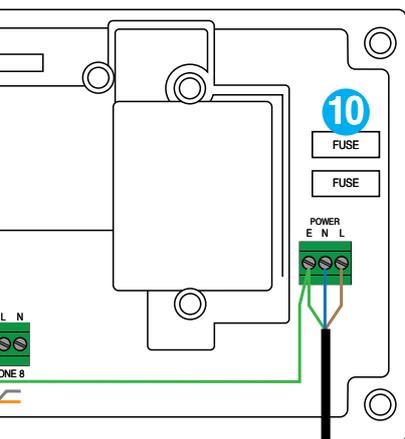
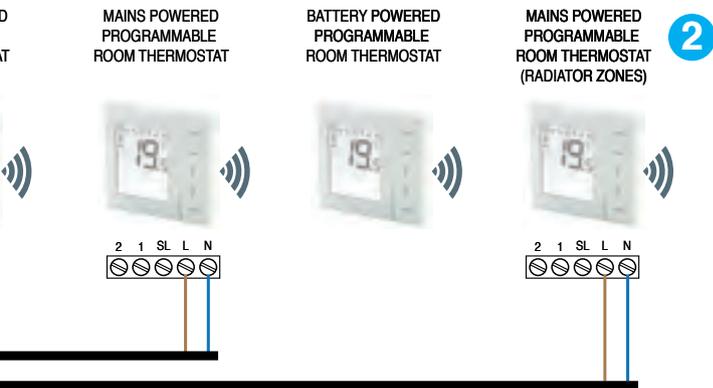
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## WIRING DIAGRAM - JG AURA WIRELESS

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- Electro-Magnetic compatability directive 2004/108/EC
- Low voltage directive 2006/95/EC
- RoHS2 directive 2011/65/EU
- R&TTE directive 1999/5/EC

These instructions are applicable to the Speedfit Aura model as stated above.

**Warning**

This product must be fitted by a competent person, and installation must comply with the guidance, standards and regulations applicable to the location where the product is installed. Failure to comply with the requirements of the relevant guidance, standards and regulations could lead to prosecution, injury or death.

Earthing/bonding of all field devices must be in accordance with the aforementioned guidance, standards and documentation.

Always isolate the AC Mains supply before installing or working on any components that require 230v AC 50Hz supply.

Isolation of the mains supply to the JG Wiring Centre via the local fused connection unit MAY NOT isolate all mains voltages present (such as boiler enable).



Please leave these instructions with the end user where they should be kept in a safe place for future reference.

For the PDF Instruction Manuals please go to [www.speedfitUFH.co.uk](http://www.speedfitUFH.co.uk)

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### Filling & Testing

#### FILLING THE SYSTEM

Due to the large quantity of pipework in the system, it is important to follow the correct procedures to minimise the amount of air in the system which can lead to problems with testing and operating.



**STEP 1.** Turn off any electrical equipment. Isolate the manifold from the heating system by turning the ball valves to the off position.



**STEP 2.** Open all flow gauges at the top of the manifold by lifting the locking cover and turn the adjuster anti-clockwise.



**STEP 3.** Ensure all Temporary Adjuster Heads are in the closed position by turning clockwise.



**STEP 4.** Connect a drain hose to the bottom hose connector valve on the return manifold rail and run to a convenient drain point. Ensure the valve is in the open position.



**STEP 5.** Connect the fill hose to the top hose connector valve on the manifold Flow Rail. Ensure the valve is in the open position.

It is important to ensure the water is forced around the Underfloor Heating loops one at a time to prevent short circuiting from one manifold rail to the other. Starting at one end of the manifold, open one pipe run at a time. Open the temporary adjuster head, turn on the water supply to the top flow manifold rail and run the water until the loop is thoroughly flushed through and the water exits the lower drain point on the bottom manifold.

Close the Temporary Adjuster Head and repeat the process for each loop on the manifold. This process will ensure air is purged thoroughly from each pipework loop on the manifold leaving the whole system free of air.

When completed, close the bottom valve, shut off the water supply and close the top valve. The system is now ready for pressure testing. If the Underfloor Heating is being installed when there is a possibility

of freezing conditions, suitable antifreeze should be added to protect the pipework. The system will need to be flushed out and refilled prior to operation.

## TESTING THE SYSTEM

Once the system has been filled a hydraulic pressure test should be carried out on all loops in the system prior to the installation of floor coverings. (JG Speedfit do not recommend air testing of pipework).



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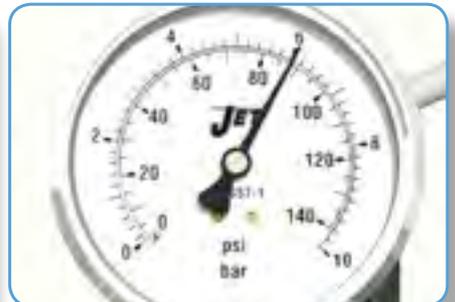
**STEP 3.** Ensure all Temporary Adjuster Heads are in the open position by turning the Adjustor Heads anti-clockwise.



**STEP 4.** Connect a suitable pressure testing kit to one of the fill valves. With the valve open, pump up the pressure to 2 Bar. Isolate the pressure at the tester and leave for 10mins while checking for leaks or pressure drops.



**STEP 5.** If all is well, increase the pressure to 10 bar and leave for a further 10 minutes while checking for leaks or pressure drops.



**STEP 6.** If all remains well, reduce pressure to operating pressure. For screeded floors, pipework should be left to approximately 3-6 bar until the screed has been laid and dried to protect pipework from damage. Consult screed supplier for drying out and curing time.

## Start-up & Commissioning

The warm up procedure should be carried out using natural infiltration and after switching-off all other heating. All external doors and windows should be closed.

### SCREED DRYING/CURING FOR SCREEDED FLOORS

To prevent damage by cracking, curling, expansion or shrinkage effects, new floor screeds require careful preheating before commissioning can take place.

Most screeded floors require 28 days after laying before preheating can begin, however, Calcium Sulphate screeds may need only 7 days after laying (check with manufacturer for specific drying times).

The Underfloor Heating should not be used during this time period and under no circumstances should it be used to accelerate the drying period.

#### STEP 1. ELECTRICAL SAFETY CHECK

Confirm that the system wiring is in accordance with the current Electrical Wiring Regulations.

#### STEP 2. SYSTEM CHECK

Ensure the system is filled, leak free, vented and has been pressure tested. Ensure all isolator valves are open, automatic valves are functional, and the circulator pump is in working order before switching on.

#### STEP 3. INITIAL START UP

The temperature control on the JG Control or JG Roompack should initially be set down to the lowest possible setting (25-30°C).

#### STEP 4. CHECK ROOMSTAT & ACTUATOR FUNCTION & CONTROLS FUNCTION

Room thermostats should be set to call for heat and confirmed to be operating the Circuit Actuator Heads on the Manifold(s). There will be a delay of up to 2 minutes before the actuators are fully open.

#### STEP 5. GAUGE AND VALVE CHECKS

Check & adjust flow gauge function & confirm that all circuit valves are open and that any flowmeters are registering a positive flowrate.

#### STEP 6. FLOW AND TEMPERATURE CHECKS

Check there is sufficient flow & temperature supply from the heat source to the manifold.

**STEP 7.** System response will be slow on initial start up. When the system has been operating for an hour, check the return pipe temperatures where pipe is rising out of the floor back to the manifold. Ensure that all loops are open and operating, there will be a temperature difference of 8°C. Confirm with JG designs for specific temperature information.



*Blue disk in actuator will rise to show valve is open. The actuator comes partly open from factory to assist with initial assembly.*

On a room by room basis, ensure that all actuators are controlled by the correct thermostat and that each one switches the system on and off. This should also include the boiler being switched on and off.

**NOTE:** The boiler will only switch off, if no other user circuits are calling for heat, so make sure that these are turned off before starting the test procedure.

Set the flow rate in the underfloor heating circuit to maximum by adjusting the flow gauges on the manifold. After the initial temperature is reached, adjust the flow rate in the underfloor heating circuit to the designed flow rate by turning the flow adjuster until the required flow is indicated.

#### TYPICAL FLOW RATE SETTINGS FOR UFH MANIFOLD

Flow Temp	60°C	50°C	40°C
Return	50°C	40°C	30°C
Loop Length (m)	Typical Flow Release (l/m)		
100	3.0*	2.1	1.3
90	2.7*	1.9	1.1
80	2.4	1.7	1.0
70	2.1	1.5	0.9
60	1.8	1.3	0.8
50	1.5	1.0	0.6
40	1.2	0.9	0.5
30	0.9	0.6	0.4
20	0.6	0.5	0.4

#### NOTES

\* Flow Rates above 2.5 l/m should be avoided in favour of smaller loop lengths.

\*\* Please note this table is for guidance only and does not guarantee system performance.

\*\*\*Please refer to your Speedfit Underfloor Heating design for specific flow temperatures and flow rates relating to your project.

On Screeded Floors the initial water flow temperature should be maintained at 25°C for 3 days. On day 4, the temperature can be increased gradually in increments of 5°C/day until the maximum design temperature is reached and must be maintained for a further 4 days at maximum design flow temperature.

After the heating system has been running for the recommended time at the minimum setting, i.e. 3 days for solid concrete floors and 1 day for wooden suspended floors, gradually

raise the water temperature to the design temperature.

Check all room and floor operating temperatures and adjust as needed in accordance with BSEN1264 and recommendations of floor covering supplier.

Care must be taken to ensure that floor surface temperatures recommended for wood or plastic floor finishes (27°C with a variance of approx +/- 1 °C) are not exceeded.

# Commissioning Checklist

Project Name/Ref No. \_\_\_\_\_

Commissioning Date \_\_\_\_\_

Type of system :- Ground Floor: \_\_\_\_\_

1st Floor: \_\_\_\_\_

2nd Floor: \_\_\_\_\_

3rd Floor: \_\_\_\_\_



Initial Checks	YES	NO
Confirm system has been filled and purged of air as described in installation manual		
Time clock/programmer calling heat		
All room thermostats set to 20°C or neon light on		
Actuator heads open (warm to the touch)		
Manifold Thermostatic head set to 50°C		
Pump running on speed 2 and pumping up		
Return valve open (bottom right)		
By-pass valve open 2 turns (factory set) Anti-clockwise		



Record initial water flow-rate of every circuit flow meter (from left - right)					
No.	Name	Lt/min	No	Name	Lt/min
1			1		
2			2		
3			3		
4			4		
5			5		
6			6		
7			7		
8			8		
9			9		
10			10		
11			11		
12			12		

Final Checks after 2-4 hours running	YES	NO
Record flow bar temperature 45°C Screeded/65°C suspended		
Record return bar temperature. Between 5-10°C lower than flow bar		
Confirm all fittings are water tight and system operating satisfactorily		
Check the average floor temperatures do not exceed 29°C except for bathrooms		
Check room temperatures are reaching the design temp		
Check boiler flow to manifold and record temperature		
Record final pump speed		

Record adjusted water flow-rate of every circuit flow meter (from left - right)					
No.	Name	Lt/min	No	Name	Lt/min
1			1		
2			2		
3			3		
4			4		
5			5		
6			6		
7			7		
8			8		
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10			10		
11			11		
12			12		

Installer/Commissioning Engineer Details

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Tel No: \_\_\_\_\_

Registrations (Gas Safe): \_\_\_\_\_

## Frequently Asked Questions

### HOW LONG DOES UNDERFLOOR HEATING TAKE TO WARM UP A ROOM FROM COLD?

In high mass systems such as some screed floors the system can take 2 - 3 hours to heat up from cold.

After an initial heat up advanced controls maintain the screed temperature and with a process known as set back, reduces the room temperature by approx 4°C during periods of low demand such as overnight, allowing for a quicker heat up time the following morning.

### HOW MUCH HEAT WILL MY UNDERFLOOR HEATING SYSTEM PROVIDE?

Typically, a screeded floor will emit a maximum of 100w/sqm. Timber floor structure will emit a maximum of 70w/ sqm.

### WHAT FLOOR AREA CAN A MANIFOLD HEAT?

Manifolds are available to cater from 2 to 12 zones.

A 12 zone manifold, feeding 12 heating loops can serve between 120 and 150 sqm of floor area. For larger systems use more than one manifold.

### HOW LONG DO I LEAVE MY UNDERFLOOR HEATING ON FOR DURING THE DAY?

Underfloor Heating is at its most efficient if left on 24 hours a day using room thermostats to control the comfort levels in each space or zone.

Timers and programmers allow the user to choose when the heating is on or off or when to tell the system to reduce average temperature overnight, for example, known as set back.

This saves energy and gives a faster heat up time the following morning.

### CAN I JOIN PIPES IN THE FLOOR?

No, pipes must not be joined in the floor.

### HOW MUCH WATER WILL BE IN MY SYSTEM?

Speedfit manufacture a 15mm pipe for use with underfloor heating. Every 1m of pipe contains 0.1L of water.

### HOW MUCH PIPE DO I NEED?

In a typical installation, pipe is laid at 200mm centres. This equates to approx 5 metres per sqm. Loops should be no longer than 100m. Speedfit will calculate the pipe spacing and loop lengths for each room or zone to meet the heat requirements of the space.

### WHAT IS EDGE INSULATION USED FOR?

Edge insulation is very important and is used on screeded floor systems.

It creates an insulation barrier around the perimeter of a room to prevent lateral heat loss and provides an expansion gap for the solid floor as it heats up and cools down.

Speedfit Edge insulation can also be used as an expansion medium on areas of screeded floor in excess of 40 sqm.

### WHAT TYPE OF SCREED SHOULD I USE?

Most screeds are a traditional sand and cement mix of 65 - 75 mm in thickness. Additives and binding agents are also used for added strength and flexibility.

Thinner screeds of 40 - 50 mm often known as pumped or liquid screeds are available. These offer better response times for underfloor heating and quicker drying time.

Specific advice should be sought from the screed manufacturer who will specify the correct screed for your project.

### DO I NEED TO ADD INHIBITORS TO THE SYSTEM?

Yes, Speedfit advise that inhibitors should be used in all central heating systems including underfloor systems. Fernox and Betz Dearborn manufacture suitable products.

### WHERE SHOULD THE MANIFOLD BE POSITIONED?

The underfloor heating manifold can be located anywhere. However, to reduce pipe runs and achieve a balanced system it is preferable to locate the manifold as near as possible to the centre of the building.

### WHAT FLOOR COVERINGS CAN BE USED WITH UNDERFLOOR HEATING?

Almost all floor coverings will work with underfloor heating including carpets, stone tiles, laminate and natural wood. This gives you a virtually unlimited choice. All materials have

a resistance to heat transfer and this can be expressed as a TOG value - the same as for a duvet.

BSEN 1264 states that floor coverings should be no greater than 1.5 TOGs.

However, experience has shown that many carpet and underlay combinations with high resistance work with underfloor heating.

Always ask the floor covering supplier if a their products are suitable for use with underfloor heating.

### HOW MUCH INSULATION DO I NEED?

The amount of insulation within a building is very important for an underfloor heating.

A layer of insulation should be placed immediately below the heating pipes to minimise the downward heat loss of the floor and maximise the heat emitted upwards.

The total amount of insulation required is calculated in 2 parts. Firstly, the architect will specify the type and depth of installation to comply with the Building Regulations.

### WHAT GUARANTEES DO SPEEDFIT GIVE?

As a result of long term test programmes and rigorous quality standards, John Guest Speedfit Limited offer a 25 year guarantee against the defects in materials or manufacturing of "PEM" "PSE" and "SFM" Range Plumbing Fittings and Speedfit Barrier Pipe manufactured by John Guest.

John Guest Underfloor Heating Products, which should be installed and maintained in accordance with our recommendations, carry a 2 year guarantee against defects in materials and manufacture.

John Guest Plumbing and Heating Products are for use with normal UK domestic plumbing and heating systems and are supplied in accordance with our Conditions of Sales.



## Heat Output - Dry Floor Constructions

With a wide variety of Underfloor heating systems available, it is important to know what heat output you can expect from differing floor make ups. Outputs for Screeded systems are normally calculated using proven mathematical equations and experience. However, with the increasing use of renewable heat sources and lower water temperatures, performance for dry floor constructions can be difficult to calculate. Therefore, due to our ongoing commitment to product development, Speedfit have conducted performance testing at the independent test house, BSRIA for the Overfit, Underfit & Aluminium Heat plates systems. The tables below show typical output figures for various floor coverings and flow temperatures.

For advice on specific systems please contact our technical helpline 01895 425333.

### HEAT OUTPUT TABLES (W/M<sup>2</sup>)

#### 25mm Overfit -

Floor Finish + Resistance (Tog)	Tog Value	Flow and Return Temperature °C			
		40/30	45/35	50/40	55/45
Tiles	0.1	36	50	65	78
Thin Timber Finish	0.5	32	45	58	70
Carpet Tiles / Laminate	1	29	40	52	64
Carpet and underlay	1.5	26	36	47	58

Figures based on 15mm PB tube using 150mm pipe centres and a 10mm Plywood laid over.

### HEAT OUTPUT TABLES (W/M<sup>2</sup>)

#### 50mm Underfit

Floor Finish + Resistance (Tog)	Tog Value	Flow and Return Temperature °C			
		40/30	45/35	50/40	55/45
Tiles	0.1	22	20	39	48
Thin Timber Finish	0.5	20	28	36	44
Carpet Tiles / Laminate	1	18	26	33	41
Carpet and underlay	1.5	17	22	31	38

Figures based on 15mm PB tube using 200mm pipe centres and a 22mm chipboard deck laid over.

### HEAT OUTPUT TABLES (W/M<sup>2</sup>)

#### Aluminium Spreader Plates

Floor Finish + Resistance (Tog)	Tog Value	Flow and Return Temperature °C			
		40/30	45/35	50/40	55/45
Tiles	0.1	28	40	52	64
Thin Timber Finish	0.5	26	36	47	58
Carpet Tiles / Laminate	1	24	33	43	53
Carpet and underlay	1.5	22	30	39	48

Figures based on 15mm PB tube using 200mm pipe centres and a 22mm chipboard deck laid over.

Heat outputs are for guidance only and can vary with water temperature, floor finish and construction.

Further information and advice is available on 01895 425333 or [www.speedfitufh.co.uk](http://www.speedfitufh.co.uk)

## Technical Checklist - Underfloor Heating

- **Applications.** Underfloor Heating Installations in solid or timber floors.
- **Pipes.** 15mm JG Speedfit Barrier Pipe to BS 7291, Parts 1, 2 and 3 Class S.
- **DO NOT USE Speedfit UFH Products for Gas, fuel oil or compressed air applications.**
- **Floor Insulation.** Should be a suitable material and thickness to comply with current regulations.
- **Minimum Bending Radii.** For Speedfit B-PEX Pipe is 175mm.
- **Expansion (PEX - Pipe).** 1% on length between 20°C and 82°C.
- **Cleaners, Inhibitors and Descalents.** For advice on the replenishment of additives such as corrosion inhibitors, the following manufacturers should be contacted:  
Fernox Manufacturing Limited on 01799 550811 or Sentinel, BetzDearborn Limited on 0151420 9595.
- **Paint and Chemicals.** Only use water or oil based paint. DO NOT ALLOW CONTACT WITH cellulose based paints, paint thinners or strippers, solder flux or acid based descalents or aggressive household cleaning products.
- **Exposure to sunlight.** Speedfit products, when used indoors, are not affected by sunlight. When used outdoors protect from ultra violet light by lagging or painting.
- **Pipe Inserts.** Must be used on all installations when using plastic pipe and should be fully inserted.
- **Electrical Components.** Electrical products in the Speedfit Underfloor Heating System are designed only to be used in U.K. Electrical Supply situations.
- **Electrical Continuity.** If Speedfit is used in an existing metal system which may have been used for earthing, electrical continuity should be reinstated.
- **Pre-Screed System Testing.** To ensure the pipework has been installed correctly and prior to the screed being laid, it is essential that the system is checked and hydraulically wet tested.  
*Testing should be carried out at 2 bar for 10 minutes and 10 bar for 10 minutes.*  
This testing, combined with other relevant checks, should reveal installation problems and is regarded as good plumbing practice.
- **Pressurisation During Screed Laying & Curing.** In accordance with BS1264-4, the system should be left under pressure at a minimum of 6 bar for the duration of the laying and curing of the screed.
- **Under NO circumstances should the UFH System be used to quicken the screed drying process.**
- **System Flushing.** As is usual practice for any plumbing installation, flushing of the system prior to the use of JG Speedfit is recommended to remove any contaminants/chemical residue from elsewhere in the system.
- **Vermin.** Speedfit products should not be used in vermin infested areas.
- **Frost Protection.** During the installation process it is important that pipe containing water be protected from frost.



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