



# EXPANSION JOINTS --- T-MAT

RAILWAY BRIDGES



# Introduction

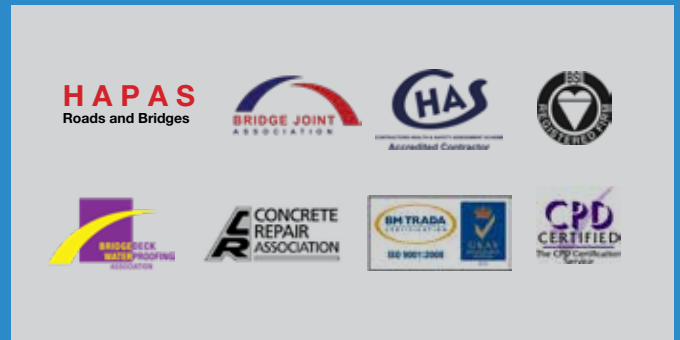
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Railway bridges in general have one critical point; joining the gaps between individual parts of the structure or elements and components.

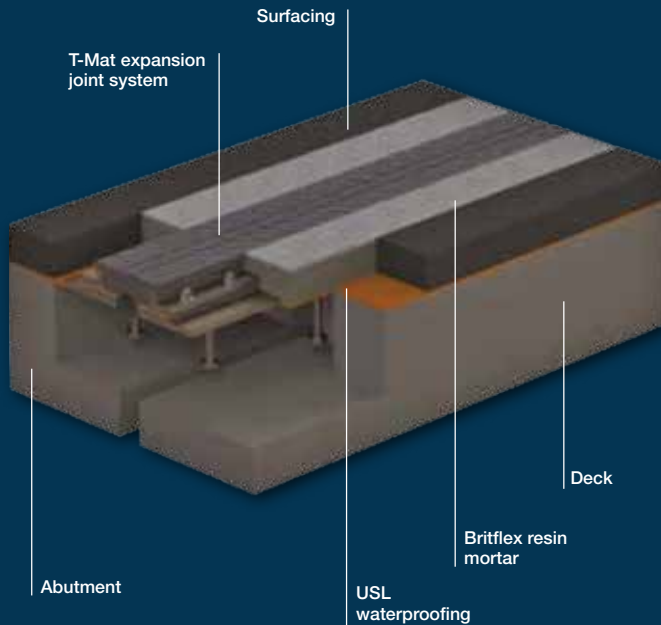
The USL T-Mat system has become the standard for solving the problem of sealing and bridging of gaps.



USL T-Mat is marketed by Tremco Construction Products Group in Asia Pacific.



Figure 1



## APPLICATIONS

- Rail and road bridges
- Motorways/Highways
- Primary and secondary road
- Pedestrian walkways

## SYSTEM BENEFITS

- Absolutely watertight
- For longitudinal movements from +/- 15 (T30) up to +/- 130 (T260)
- High stability under load
- Extra-long durability due to the property designed dimensions and high quality chloroprene
- Low noise - ideal near residential properties

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## TECHNICAL - Design Criteria

### Structural Performance

The T-Mat Expansion Joints System is designed to satisfy the following requirements of bridge specifications:

- Provision for longitudinal movement between adjacent bridge decks.

Note: The T-Mat expansion joint consists of a solid armoured expansion mat made of a high quality chloroprene with metal reinforcements (T-bars). The material is moulded and not extruded. The T-bars allow the installation of the expansion mat on a steel substructure which has been built into the bridge superstructure parallel to the expansion gap.

The steel reinforcements are spaced in such a way that they guarantee great flexibility.

The internal design of the expansion joints system T-Mat is such that due to the discontinuous steel reinforcement combined with the elasticity of the material (chloroprene) the expansion joint will not only allow for horizontal movement on either side of the joint, but will also allow for transverse and vertical relative movements of adjacent bridge decks.

- Structural safety during operation is guaranteed by the fact that the design of the expansion joint allows to carry and absorb the combined forces of load and traffic.
- The expansion joint is designed to be installed in such a way to ensure that its surface is flush with the bridge structure. This is to provide a smooth transition for vehicles crossing over the joint gap.
- The internal design as described above will also allow for vertical movement due to differential settlement of 5mm and more (up to  $\pm 70$ mm vertical and  $\pm 200$ mm transversal) without losing any of its other functional properties (refer to page 5).
- This also applies to its ability to cope with distortions or other displacements of the structures.

### Performance Fulfilment

The T-Mat Expansion Joint Systems perform as designed especially (but not limited) under the following conditions:

- There will be no negative influence of corrosion, since the corrosion protection specifications of all metal parts are imbedded in the chloroprene mat.
- The high quality chloroprene material is resistant against chlorides, oil, ozone, the sun under all climatic conditions. It also allows for vulcanisation on site to properly connect individual joints at joining gaps or at any interval for longitudinal joints so that there is always a homogenous and continuous seal. The materials of the actual expansion band do not age measurably.

### Maintenance

- The elastomeric component (T-Mat) as a whole or even in individual segments is replaceable without any impact on the embedded substructure.
- Thus it will at no time and under no circumstances create any danger for the maintenance staff. All materials used are well known in the industry and have been used either individually or in combination for many years.
- Once installed, the T-Mat Expansion Joint Systems is practically maintenance free.

### Materials

- T-Mat Expansion Joint Systems is designed for a technical life of  $\geq 50$  years.

As discussed above these systems have been used for more than 25 years without showing any signs of neither aging nor damage to the joint which is limited to normal wear of the running surface.

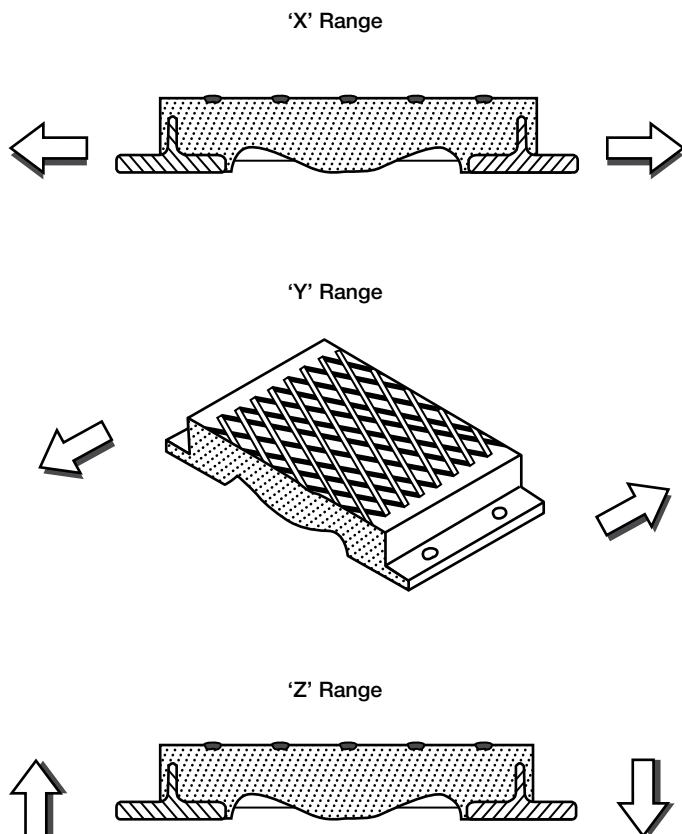
- The elastomeric materials are of the highest quality chloroprene rubbers.

The T-Mats are moulded and not extruded.

### T-Mat Joints - Movement Range (In mm)

Type	Movement "X" Range	Movement "Y" Range	Movement "Z" Range (max)	Height (mm)	Width (mm)	Anchor diameter mm
30	30mm (+/- 15mm)	80mm (+/- 40mm)	60mm (+/- 30mm)	55	290	12
80	80mm (+/- 40mm)	120mm (+/- 60mm)	80mm (+/- 40mm)	55	318	12
130	130mm (+/- 65mm)	200mm (+/- 100mm)	140mm (+/- 70mm)	65	414	12
160	160mm (+/- 80mm)	240mm (+/- 120mm)	4mm (+/- 2mm)	55	760	12
260	260mm (+/- 130mm)	400mm (+/- 200mm)	4mm (+/- 2mm)	65	960	12

### Possible Movement Directions:

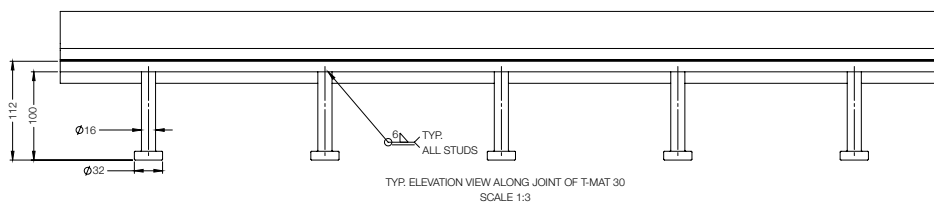
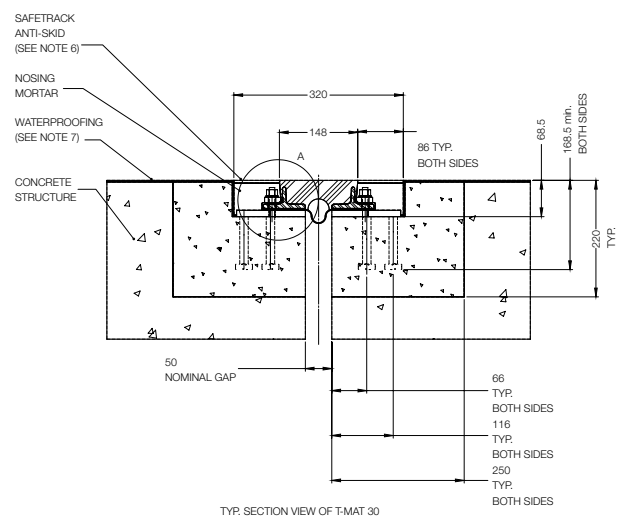
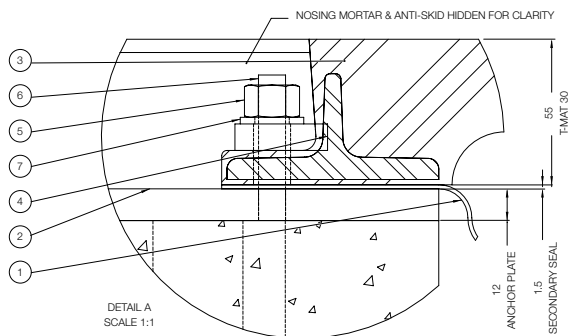


# APPLICATION

The T-Mat expansion joint transition is available in five different types. The T-Mat 30, 80 and 130 models have a single joint arrangement. The T-Mat 160 and 260 models have a double joint arrangement.

## T-Mat 30

ITEM	DRAWING NUMBER	QTY	DESCRIPTION	MATERIAL
1	ND	1	T-MAT 30, SECONDARY SEAL	RUBBER, EPDM
2	TM-1-1-0-0-01	2	T-MAT 30, ANCHOR PLATE, ABUTMENT & DECK	ASSEMBLY, PLEASE REFER TO SPECIFIC DRAWING FOR DETAILS
3	ND	TO SUIT	T-MAT 30, EXPANSION JOINT	RUBBER AND STEEL ASSEMBLY
4	ND	TO SUIT	CLAMP BAR	GALVANIZED STEEL S275
5	ND	TO SUIT	HEXAGON NUT, STYLE 1-GRADE A (M12)	STEEL, ELECTROPLATED ZINC COATING-BRIGHT (CLASS:10)
6	ND	TO SUIT	M12X55 THREADED ANCHOR STUD	STEEL, BS EN 10025, GRADE 10.9, GALVANIZED
7	ND	TO SUIT	PLAIN WASHER-NORMAL SERIES-GRADE A (M12)	STEEL, ELECTROPLATED ZINC COATING-BRIGHT



### Dimensions

Joint Type	Width (mm)	Depth (mm)	Secondary Seal Thickness (mm)	Width of Bolt Centres (mm)	Fixings	Expansion Joint Gap Width (mm)
T-Mat 30	214	55	2	176	M125	50

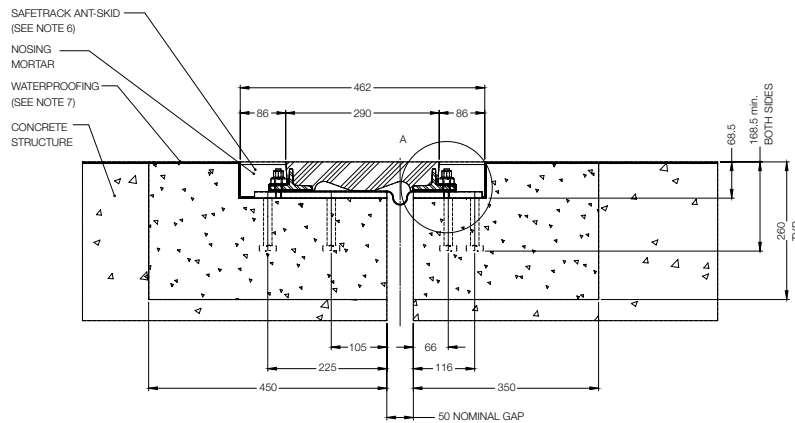
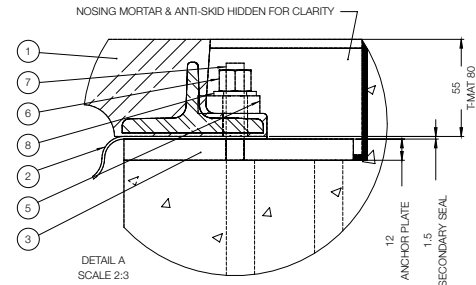
### Movement Capacity

- Longitudinal (X Axis): +/- 15mm
- Transverse (Y Axis): +/- 40mm
- Vertical (Z Axis): +/- 30mm

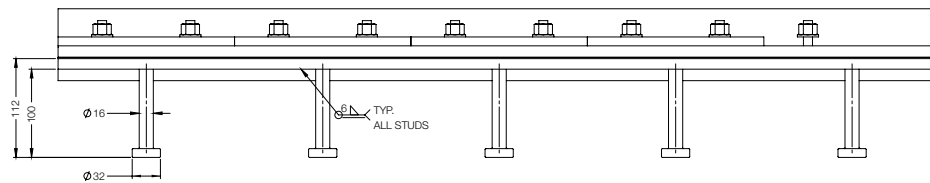


# T-Mat 80

ITEM	DRAWING NUMBER	QTY	DESCRIPTION	MATERIAL
1	ND	1	T-MAT 80, EXPANSION JOINT	RUBBER AND STEEL ASSEMBLY
2	ND	1	T-MAT 80, SECONDARY SEAL	RUBBER
3	TM-1-2-0-0-01	1	T-MAT 80, ANCHOR PLATE, ABUTMENT	ASSEMBLY, PLEASE REFER TO SPECIFIC DRAWING FOR DETAILS
4	TM-1-2-0-0-02	1	T-MAT 80, ANCHOR PLATE, DECK	ASSEMBLY, PLEASE REFER TO SPECIFIC DRAWING FOR DETAILS
5	ND	TO SUIT	CLAMP BAR	GALVANIZED STEEL S275
6	ND	TO SUIT	HEXAGON NUT, STYLE 1-GRADE A (M12)	STEEL, ELECTROPLATED ZINC COATING-BRIGHT (CLASS:10)
7	ND	TO SUIT	M12X55 THREADED ANCHOR STUD	STEEL, BS EN 10025, GRADE 10.9, GALVANIZED
8	ND	TO SUIT	PLAIN WASHER-NORMAL SERIES-GRADE A (M12)	STEEL, ELECTROPLATED ZINC COATING-BRIGHT



TYP. SECTION VIEW OF T-MAT 80



TYP. ELEVATION VIEW ALONG JOINT OF T-MAT 80  
SCALE 1:3

## Dimensions

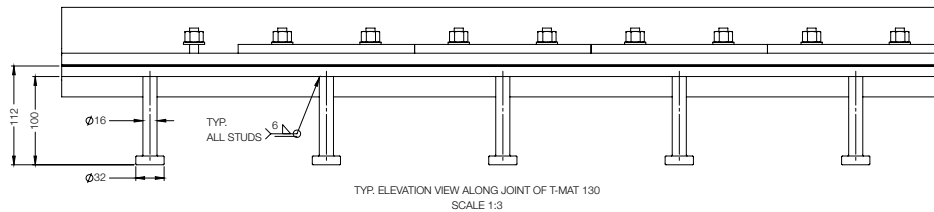
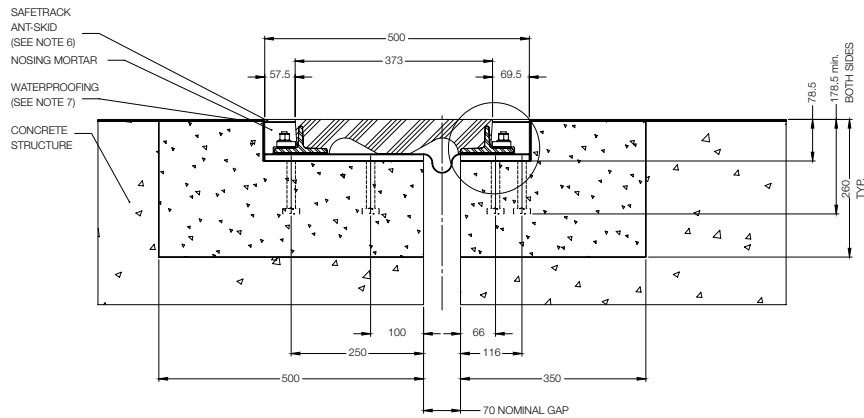
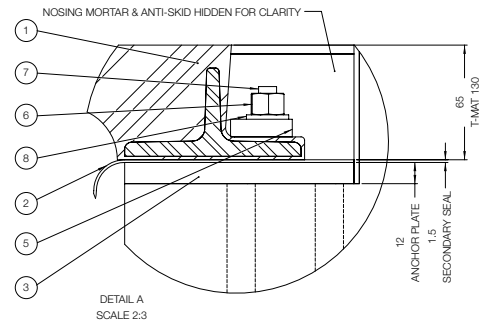
Joint Type	Width (mm)	Depth (mm)	Secondary Seal Thickness (mm)	Width of Bolt Centres (mm)	Fixings	Expansion Joint Gap Width (mm)
T-Mat 80	356	55	2	318	M12	50

## Movement Capacity

- Longitudinal (X Axis): +/- 40mm
- Transverse (Y Axis): +/- 60mm
- Vertical (Z Axis): +/- 40mm

# T-Mat 130

ITEM	DRAWING NUMBER	QTY	DESCRIPTION	MATERIAL
1	ND	1	T-MAT 130, EXPANSION JOINT	RUBBER AND STEEL ASSEMBLY
2	ND	1	SECONDARY SEAL	RUBBER
3	TM-1-3-0-0-01	1	T-MAT 130, ABUTMENT ANCHOR PLATE	ASSEMBLY, PLEASE REFER TO SPECIFIC DRAWING FOR DETAILS
4	TM-1-3-0-0-02	1	T-MAT 80, DECK ANCHOR PLATE	ASSEMBLY, PLEASE REFER TO SPECIFIC DRAWING FOR DETAILS
5	ND	TO SUIT	CLAMP BAR	GALVANIZED STEEL S275
6	ND	TO SUIT	HEXAGON NUT, STYLE 1-GRADE A (M12)	STEEL, ELECTROPLATED ZINC COATING-BRIGHT (CLASS:10)
7	ND	TO SUIT	M12X55 THREADED ANCHOR STUD	STEEL, BS EN 10025, GRADE 10.9, GALVANIZED
8	ND	TO SUIT	PLAIN WASHER-NORMAL SERIES-GRADE A (M12)	STEEL, ELECTROPLATED ZINC COATING-BRIGHT



## Dimensions

Joint Type	Width (mm)	Depth (mm)	Secondary Seal Thickness (mm)	Width of Bolt Centres (mm)	Fixings	Expansion Joint Gap Width (mm)
T-Mat 130	439	65	2	414	M12	70

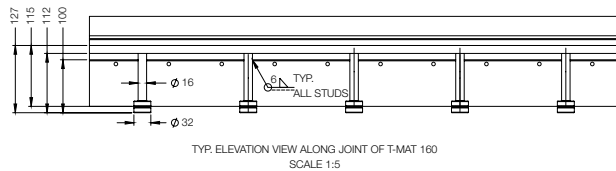
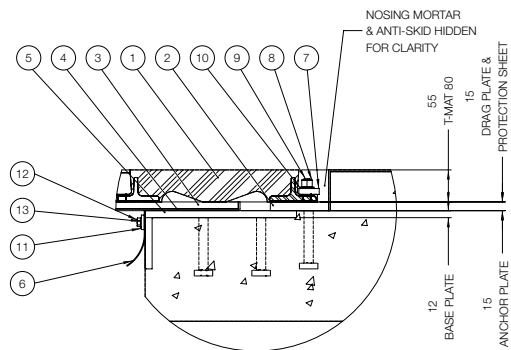
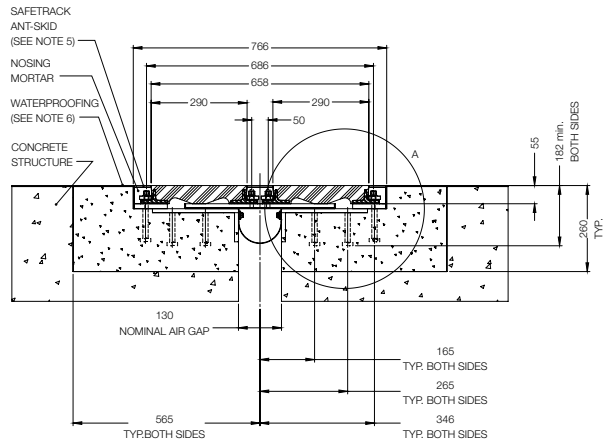
## Movement Capacity

- Longitudinal (X Axis): +/- 65mm
- Transverse (Y Axis): +/- 100mm
- Vertical (Z Axis): +/- 70mm



# T-Mat 160

ITEM	DRAWING NUMBER	QTY	DESCRIPTION	MATERIAL
1	ND	2	T-MAT 80, EXPANSION JOINT	RUBBER AND STEEL ASSEMBLY
2	TM-1-4-0-0-01	2	T-MAT 160, ANCHOR PLATE, ABUTMENT & DECK	ASSEMBLY, PLEASE REFER TO SPECIFIC DRAWING FOR DETAILS
3	TM-1-4-0-0-30	1	T-MAT 160, DRAG PLATE	STEEL, BS EN 10025, S275
4	TM-1-4-0-0-60	1	T-MAT 160, PROTECTION SHEET	NEOPRENE
5	TM-1-4-0-0-05	2	T-MAT 160, BASE ANCHOR PLATE SUB-ASSEMBLY	ASSEMBLY, PLEASE REFER TO SPECIFIC DRAWING FOR DETAILS
6	TM-1-4-0-0-03	1	T-MAT 160 SECONDARY SEAL	RUBBER
7	ND	TO SUIT	CLAMP BAR	GALVANISED STEEL S275
8	ND	TO SUIT	HEXAGON NUT, STYLE 1-GRADE A (M12)	STEEL, ELECTROPLATED ZINC COATING-BRIGHT (CLASS:10)
9	ND	TO SUIT	M12X55 THREADED BAR	STEEL, BS EN 10025, GRADE 10.9
10	ND	TO SUIT	PLAIN WASHER-NORMAL SERIES-GRADE A (M12)	STEEL, ELECTROPLATED ZINC COATING-BRIGHT
11	TM-1-4-0-0-70	TO SUIT	T-MAT 160, SECONDARY SEAL CLAMP BAR	GALVANISED STEEL S275
12	ND	TO SUIT	HEXAGON HEAD SCREW-GRADE A (M8X16.0 LONG)	STEEL, ELECTROPLATED ZINC COATING-BRIGHT (CLASS:8.8)
13	ND	TO SUIT	PLAIN WASHER-NORMAL SERIES-GRADE A (M8)	STEEL, ELECTROPLATED ZINC COATING-BRIGHT



## Dimensions

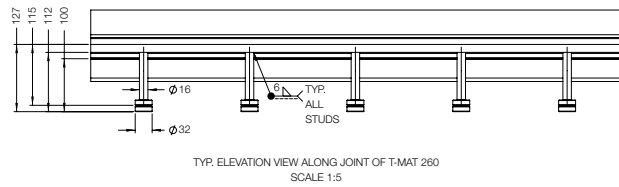
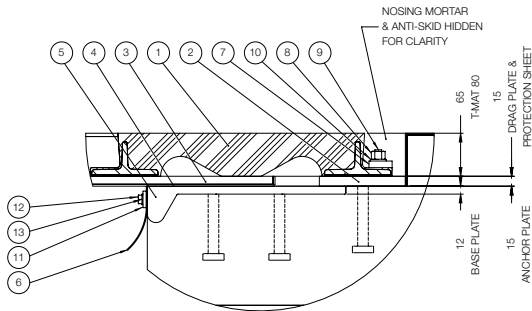
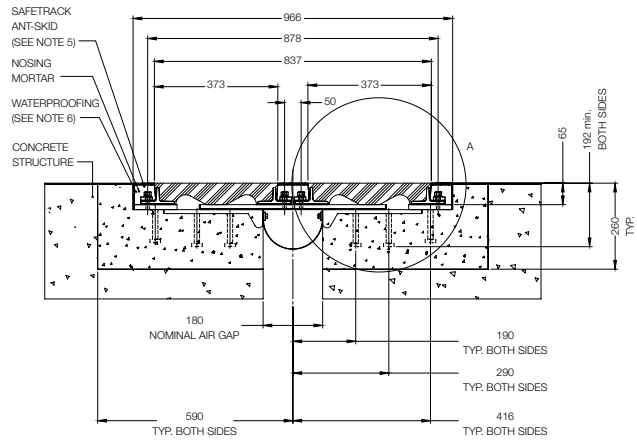
Joint Type	Width (mm)	Depth (mm)	Secondary Seal Thickness (mm)	Width of Bolt Centres (mm)	Fixings	Expansion Joint Gap Width (mm)
T-Mat 160	728	55	2	318	M12	130

## Movement Capacity

- Longitudinal (X Axis): +/- 80mm
- Transverse (Y Axis): +/- 120mm
- Vertical (Z Axis): +/- 5mm

# T-Mat 260

ITEM	DRAWING NUMBER	QTY	DESCRIPTION	MATERIAL
1	ND	2	T-MAT 130, EXPANSION JOINT	RUBBER AND STEEL ASSEMBLY
2	TM-1-5-0-0-01	2	T-MAT 260, ANCHOR PLATE, ABUTMENT & DECK	ASSEMBLY, PLEASE REFER TO SPECIFIC DRAWING FOR DETAILS
3	TM-1-5-0-0-30	1	T-MAT 260, DRAG PLATE	GALVANISED STEEL S275
4	TM-1-5-0-0-60	1	T-MAT 260, PROTECTION SHEET	NEOPRENE
5	TM-1-5-0-0-05	2	T-MAT 260, BASE ANCHOR PLATE SUB-ASSEMBLY	ASSEMBLY, PLEASE REFER TO SPECIFIC DRAWING FOR DETAILS
6	TM-1-5-0-0-03	1	T-MAT 260 SECONDARY SEAL	RUBBER
7	ND	TO SUIT	CLAMP BAR	GALVANISED STEEL S275
8	ND	TO SUIT	HEXAGON NUT, STYLE 1-GRADE A (M12)	STEEL, ELECTROPLATED ZINC COATING-BRIGHT (CLASS:10)
9	ND	TO SUIT	M12X55 THREADED BAR	STEEL, BS EN 10025, GRADE 10.9
10	ND	TO SUIT	PLAIN WASHER-NORMAL SERIES-GRADE A (M12)	STEEL, ELECTROPLATED ZINC COATING-BRIGHT
11	TM-1-5-0-0-70	TO SUIT	T-MAT 160, SECONDARY SEAL CLAMP BAR	GALVANISED STEEL S275
12	ND	TO SUIT	HEXAGON HEAD SCREW-GRADE A (M8X16.0 LONG)	STEEL, ELECTROPLATED ZINC COATING-BRIGHT (CLASS:8.8)
13	ND	TO SUIT	PLAIN WASHER-NORMAL SERIES-GRADE A (M8)	STEEL, ELECTROPLATED ZINC COATING-BRIGHT



## Dimensions

Joint Type	Width (mm)	Depth (mm)	Secondary Seal Thickness (mm)	Width of Bolt Centres (mm)	Fixings	Expansion Joint Gap Width (mm)
T-Mat 260	908	65	2	414	M12	180

## Movement Capacity

- Longitudinal (X Axis): +/- 130mm
- Transverse (Y Axis): +/- 200mm
- Vertical (Z Axis): +/- 5mm

## INSTALLATION

1. Install T-Mat joint sub-structure steel rails into abutment and bridge deck reinforcement.
2. Line and level steel rails to engineer's requirement.
3. Weld steel rails to reinforcement.
4. Cast concrete encasing reinforcement and steel rail shear studs.
5. Allow concrete to cure to manufacturers requirement.
6. Install expansion joint secondary seal.
7. Install secondary seal down pipe drain.
8. Install steel bridge plate (if installing T-Mat 160 and 260 expansion joint types).
9. Install the T-Mat joints to the pre-drilled M12 fixing locations.
10. Apply clamp bars, washers and nuts to M12 fixing locations.
11. Torque fixings to required setting.
12. Within the location to the transition strips (voids adjacent to the T-Mat) apply steel primers to steel surfaces; and concrete primers to concrete surfaces.
13. Allow primers to cure to manufactures requirement.
14. Install Britflex Nosing Mortar Britflex cold cure tropical (including antiskid) to pre-primed transition strips.
15. Allow Nosing Mortar to cure to manufacturer's requirement.



# PROJECTS



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## CREWE GREEN RAIL BRIDGE - Crewe, UK

Client: Morgan Sindall  
Designer: Mott Macdonald  
Project Remit: Supply and installation of USL Ekspan T-Mat 130 expansion joint on the west abutment of a new rail bridge.  
(By USL Ekspan)



## PROJECTS



### BERMONDSEY DIVE UNDER - London, UK

Client: Skanska

Designer: Ramboll

Project Remit: Supply and installation of T-Mat 80 expansion joints on the new abutment and central pier of the 'Dive Under' link.

(By USL Ekspan)

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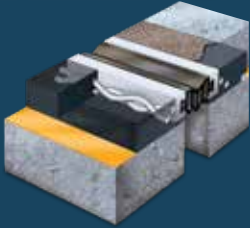


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## ORDSALL CHORD - Manchester, UK

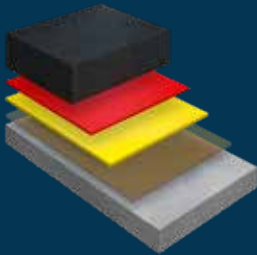
Client: Network Rail  
Designer: Skanska Bam Nuttall Joint Venture  
Project Remit: Supply and installation of T-Mat 80, T-Mat 130 and T-Mat 260 expansion joints on Structures DSE146 and OCD4, on the new Ordsall Chord rail link.  
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# USL EKSPAN PRODUCT RANGE



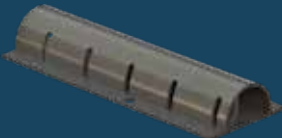
## EXPANSION JOINTS - CD 357

- Uniflex** - Buried
- FEBA** - Flexible Plug
- Britflex NJ** - Nosing
- Transflex & Transflex HM** - Mat
- T-MAT** - Mat
- Britflex BEJ** - Modular
- Britflex MEJS** - Modular
- LJ** - Longitudinal Joint
- Open Type Joint** - Rail Joint
- Britflex UCP** - Footbridge Joint
- Finger Joint**

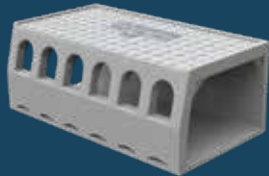


## STRUCTURAL WATERPROOFING - CD 358

- Pitchmastic PmB**  
Polyurethane (Pu) Waterproofing System
- Britdex MDP**  
Methyl Methacrylate (MMA) Waterproofing System
- Matacryl WPM / WS / RB**  
PUMA Based Bridge Deck Waterproofing System



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