



## Termite Control

### Termite Resistant Material

- Reduces the total risk - that is the number of things in a home that can be attacked by termites, including primary structural material. Structural elements such as walls and roof members only need to be termite resistant - bricks, steel and concrete
- Effective as part of a risk management strategy, but will not stop termite entry. You will also need to weigh up the value placed upon protecting non-structural assets - cabinets, gyprock sheeting, carpet smooth edge & timber door frames

### Chemical Hand Spray

- Initial treatment is cost effective, with little interruption to the building schedule
- AS3660 requires that this treatment lasts the life of the home, or can be replenished if an infestation occurs. This will require drilling through the slab and injecting chemicals into the soil

### Chemical Reticulation Systems

- Can be installed as a full under slab system, but is usually a perimeter treatment in conjunction with a floor slab to AS 2870, in combination with the slab being a physical barrier
- Generally recharged every five years
- Low interruption to the building schedule since pipe work is installed in a similar manner to plumbing drain lines

### Physical Barriers

- Can be installed as a full under slab systems, but is usually a perimeter treatment in conjunction with a floor slab to AS 2870
- The most common systems use either a stainless steel mesh or graded stone to form a barrier at the cavity and around penetrations
- Causes a minor disruption to the building schedule whilst being installed
- Provides chemical free protection for the life of the home

**Australian Standard AS3660**, which defines what is required to be provided by both the installer and the builder, stresses *'any system, chemical or physical, is only a barrier and needs to be regularly inspected'*

### As part of your Risk Management Strategy, you should be aware of the following:

- How the system is designed
- What ongoing maintenance is required
- Service offered to assist you in coordinating the recommended annual site inspection
- **No liability or responsibility is accepted for decisions made based on the above**
- **Any queries as to the actual rights and obligations, barrier design or installation for a specific circumstance should be made to an appropriate legal adviser or licenced barrier installer**

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