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Retaining Wall Waterproofing (Inspection and Test Procedure)

Project Information:

- Project Name:
- Date:
- Project Location:
- Retaining Wall Type:

Objective: The retaining wall waterproofing inspection and test procedure aim to verify the effectiveness and integrity of the waterproofing system applied to the retaining wall. This procedure ensures that the wall is adequately protected against water penetration, preventing potential damage and ensuring its longevity.

Materials and Tools:

- Flashlight or Inspection Light
- Water Hose
- Spray Bottle with Water and Soap Solution
- Moisture Meter (optional)

Test Procedure:

Visual Inspection:

- Inspect the retaining wall surface for any visible cracks, voids, or defects that could compromise the waterproofing.
- Check for any signs of moisture, discoloration, or efflorescence on the wall surface.
- 2. Waterproofing Material Review:
 - Review the type of waterproofing material applied to the retaining wall.
 - Verify that the chosen material is suitable for the specific wall construction and environmental conditions.
- Seam and Joint Inspection:
 - Check all seams and joints where different waterproofing materials meet.
 - Ensure that the seams are well-sealed and free from gaps or overlaps.
- 4. Flashings and Drains Inspection:
 - Inspect any flashings or drains installed in the retaining wall system.
 - Ensure they are securely attached and functioning correctly to direct water away from the wall.
- 5. Splash Zone Inspection:
 - Pay special attention to the lower portion of the retaining wall, known as the splash zone.
 - This area is more prone to water exposure, and extra waterproofing measures may be required.
- 6. Water Test:
 - Spray water onto the retaining wall surface, starting from the top and working downward.
 - Observe any water penetration or leaks through the wall.
- 7. Soap Solution Test:
 - Spray a soap solution onto the retaining wall surface to detect any air leaks.
 - Bubbles will form if there are any leaks in the waterproofing system.
- 8. Moisture Detection (Optional):
 - If available, use a moisture meter to measure the moisture content in the retaining wall.
 - High moisture levels may indicate inadequate waterproofing.
- 9. Visual Assessment After Test:
 - After the water and soap tests, re-inspect the retaining wall for any changes or signs of water ingress.

- Look for any water stains or moisture on the wall surface.
- 10. Approval and Sign-Off:
 - Once the retaining wall waterproofing passes all the inspection and test requirements, it can be approved and signed off
 by the project supervisor or relevant authority.

Inspection and Test Report:

Inspection Point	Checked By	Date	Comments/Corrections	Approved By	Date
Visual Inspection					
Waterproofing Material Review					
Seam and Joint Inspection					
Flashings and Drains Inspection					
Splash Zone Inspection					
Water Test					
Soap Solution Test					
Moisture Detection (Optional)					
Visual Assessment After Test					

Note: A thorough inspection and test of the retaining wall waterproofing ensure its reliability and ability to protect the structure from water damage. Addressing any issues promptly during the construction process will prevent costly repairs and ensure the longevity of the retaining wall. It is crucial to follow the manufacturer's guidelines and industry best practices when applying waterproofing materials to achieve optimal results.

Builder's Confirmation and Signature:

], confirm that I have inspected the waterproofing measures for the retaining wall as per the steps have been taken to ensure the proper installation of the waterproofing system. The balcon compliance with industry standards and manufacturer's recommendations.
Builder's Signature:	Date:
Photos Confirmation:	
I, [retaining wall.], confirm that I will provide photos as evidence of the completed waterproofing work on the
Builder's Signature:	Date:
Applicators Signature:	Date:

Note: This checklist serves as a reference for builders to ensure that proper waterproofing measures are taken during the construction of the retaining wall.. It should be signed by the builder upon completion of the waterproofing process, with each step initialed. Additionally, the builder must confirm the provision of photos as evidence of the completed work.