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INSPECTION & TESTING REPORT

Inspection Type Performed:	Witness failure verification	Inspection Date:	21 & 22 October 2014
Inspection Location:	4 Laurel Road, Merrivale, Howick, KZN, 3291		

1. OBJECT OF THE TEST

Witness the maximum load (force) the nail place can withstand

2. SAMPLE

The samples used were considered to be in a suitable condition for testing purposes

3. TEST METHOD

As per client agreement the inspector witnessed & verified the failure level of various nail plates. Two nail plates were pressed into two beams of SA pine wood on both sides joining the wood. The beams were fastened to the steel plates and then anchored to the machine Force was applied

4. **RESULTS**

Compression Tests

Plate Size(cm)	Plate Angle	Maximum failure load(kN)	
08 x 15	0°	18.38	
08 x 10	0°	12.86	
10 x 10	90°	22.46	
10 x 15	0°	27.33	

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Shear Tests

Plate Size(cm)	Plate Angle	Maximum failure load(kN)
7.5 x 7.5	0°	11.68
8.3 x 20	30°	39.12
10 x 20	45°	25.53
10 x 20	60°	30.45
10 x 10	75°	19.83
10 x 10	0°	15.10
10 x 10	105°	19.47
20 x 10	120°	26.38
20 x 10	135°	41.25
08 x 20	150°	30.42
08 x 08	165°	17.48
08 x 08	15°	17.45

Tension Tests

Plate Size(cm)	Plate Angle	Maximum failure load(kN)
8.2 x 9.5	0°	22.24
08 x 12.5	30°	21.80
10 x 10	60°	26.78
10 x 10	0°	33.88
10 x 15	0°	37.97
10 x 35.5	0°	37.54
10 x 20	0°	38.33

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Truss Hanger Tests

Plate Size(cm)	Maximum failure load(kN)
TH 90 x 38 short	2.20 upward force
TH 90 x 38 short	8.04 downward force
TH 90 x 50 short	2.4 upward force
TH 90 x 50 short	5.87 downward force
TH 45 x 38	3.94
Universal bracket	2.61

Anchorage Perpendicular to the Grain

Plate Size(cm)	Maximum failure load(kN)
08 x 7.5	9.09
10 x 15	29.55
08 x 12.5	21.56
10 x 10	16.64

5. INSPECTION CONCLUSION

Style, Material, Colour:	Various styles submitted	
Data Measurement/Field Test:	2 Nail plates were pressed together into 2 beams on either side Nail plates were of various sizes & placed at different angles on beams For the Truss Hanger tests, 2 beam pieces were joined with nails & bolts Beams were SA Pine (Timber) of grade 5 category as mentioned by Shock Proof representative	
Overall Inspection Conclusion:	During the various tests, the nail plates did not break apart The nail plates bent or the timber broke off the nail plate	

6. EQUIPMENT USED

TEST	MACHINE USED
Compression Tests	Compression Machine
Shear Tests	Compression Machine
Tension Tests	Tensile Machine
Truss Hanger Tests	Compression Machine
Anchorage Perpendicular to the Grain	Tensile Machine

Camera

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7. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Note: SGS witnessed the testing of nail plates to verify the failure load.

Consequently, SGS makes no guarantee and/or warranty whatsoever as to the quantity and/or quality of the shipment after date of inspection.

This Report reflects our findings at the time, date and place of inspection only and does not refer to any other matter.

8. ADDITIONAL PHOTO'S

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Photo of site

Tensile strength tester machine





Nail plates of various sizes & angles joining timber



Nail plates of various sizes joining timber





Tensile strength test



Tensile strength test



Tensile strength test





Tensile strength test failures



Compression strength test



Compression strength test



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Compression strength test failures



Compression strength test failures



Anchorage perpendicular test





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Truss Hangers



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Truss Hanger tests failures



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Shear strength test



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Nail plates