



The Construction Information Service

Supporting every stage in the construction lifecycle



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CIS - A vital tool for the successful delivery of every construction related project

The Construction Information Service is an expert knowledge tool that delivers key technical information critical to the construction market.

Developed by IHS and NBS, The Construction Information Service provides instant full-text access to current regulations, standards, technical advice and a vast array of related news and briefings, available in a choice of packaged information to suit individual needs.

Fully searchable, intelligently classified and constantly updated, it's an indispensable source of key information for the construction professional.

Benefits at a glance

- 01** Supports every stage in the construction lifecycle – from concept and feasibility, through design and construction, to operation and ongoing use
- 02** Information for professionals working in architecture, planning and development, surveying, engineering, landscape, building control, building specification, construction management, building and civil engineering
- 03** Full-text copies of British Standards and other documents referenced in Building Regulations to ensure compliance
- 04** Dedicated professional editorial team providing you with access to over 26,000 documents from over 500 publishers
- 05** Updated weekly, providing authoritative information fast
- 06** Fast access to critical information delivered by a powerful and intuitive search engine
- 07** Tools to individualise the product - set preferences, save key searches and store documents
- 08** Integrated links between NBS Specification products and The Construction Information Service, ensuring that nothing is missed from your specifications
- 09** Direct access to the online Architects Journal
- 10** Comprehensive coverage of healthcare building and construction information – an invaluable source for healthcare estates management
- 11** Subject guides, briefings, news, reviews, technical information and guidance publications for English, Welsh, Scottish and Irish regulations
- 12** Integrated access to Specify-it, a collection of construction catalogues, equipment information and CAD drawings

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Supplement	Who could use it?	Brief Description	Example Documents/ Publishers
Core	This part of the service has been developed to cover the wide-ranging needs of most construction industry professionals	Where possible The Construction Information Service Core includes key documents cited in the UK Building Regulations Approved Documents, and key technical standards and booklets	Building Regulations, Eurocodes, National Annexes and select NCCI material, BRE, HTM and HBN's British Standards. Specimen contract documents
Design and Building Supplement	Focused on the particular information needs of building control, architects and architectural technologists, builders and contractors, landscape architects, building maintenance managers and local authority technical departments	Includes documents that assist complex building and landscape design, non-statutory guidance documents, complementing those in the Core covering statutory aspects of design, e.g., fire, building and energy conservation, critical publications and information from industry partners and building interior design	BSI, BRE CIRIA SCI NHBC CIBSE AJ's TRL TRADA
Sustainability, Environment, Development and Planning Supplement	Local authority planners, masterplanners, sustainability engineers, environmental assessors and landscapers	Provides critical publications and information from industry partners, including guidance, legislation, circulars, advice notes and statistics for those involved in sustainable development and management, environmental planning, climate change, town and country planning, developing sustainable communities, biodiversity and conservation	CIRIA BRE SCI IStructE TRADA
Construction Management Supplement	Provides information to all construction professionals including civil & structural engineering, architects, mechanical & electrical engineers, surveying and building contracting	Topic areas include: construction procurement, design management, managing construction quality, operational maintenance, contractual claims and disputes, project management, cost and value management, and critical publications and information from industry partners not available in any other online service	BSI BRE CIOB IStructE
Civil and Structural Supplement	Civil engineers, structural engineers, designers and contractors	Providing detailed coverage of complex structural design, repair and maintenance for civil and structural engineers, contractors and design team members responsible for design and detailing	Concrete Society BSI SCI IStructE
Mechanical and Electrical Supplement	Produced specifically for mechanical and electrical engineers, building services engineers, maintenance managers and technical staff from local authorities	This covers building electrical services, heating, ventilation and air conditioning, energy production and distribution, building mechanical services, environmental impact, critical publications and information from industry partners	BSI BSRIA CIRIA HVCA CIBSE
British Standards Extra	Covers the breadth of construction disciplines	Provides standards that may not be critical for the majority of subscribers, but that it would be highly desirable to see in order to eliminate their detailed implementation in design and construction operations	BSI

Some of the publishers providing content in CIS

British Standards Institution
Building Research Establishment
Elsevier Butterworth-Heinemann
Chartered Institution of Building Services Engineers
RIBA Publications Ltd
Construction Industry Research and Information Association
Architectural Press
Steel Construction Institute
BSRIA Limited
Department of Communities and Local Government
Architects Journal, Emap Construct Ltd
Sweet and Maxwell Ltd
TRADA Technology Ltd
Highways Agency
Concrete Society
Institution of Structural Engineers
Health & Safety Executive
Joint Contracts Tribunal
Department of Health Estates and Facilities Division
Transport Research Laboratory
Office of the Deputy Prime Minister
NBS
NHS Estates
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Chartered Institute of Building
National House Building Council
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American Society of Heating, Refrigeration and Air-Conditioning Engineers
Inc Building Research Energy Conservation Support Unit
National Standards Authority of Ireland
Department of the Environment
British Constructional Steelwork Association Ltd
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