

# The Kingspan KoolDuct System

AN INTRODUCTION









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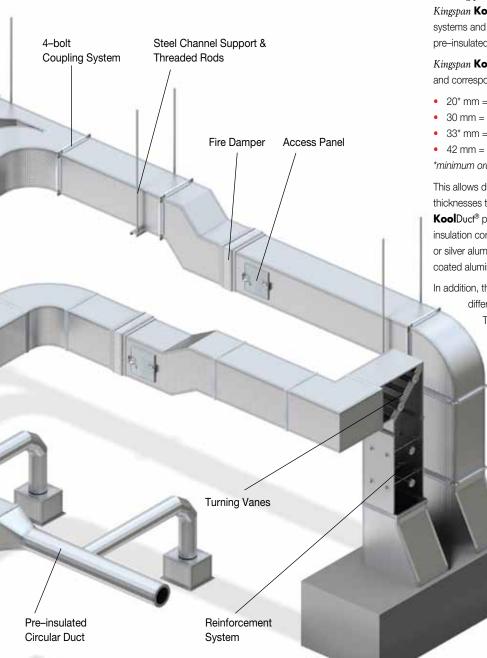
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#### Overview

The heating, ventilation and air-conditioning (HVAC) industry is in the midst of a dynamic era, however air-distribution ductwork remains virtually unchanged since the early 1900s. Several factors have introduced the need to revolutionise HVAC ductwork. Energy use has continued to escalate, and thus the demand for energy reducing solutions has intensified. Tiger Support & Wire Requirements for clean air are becoming increasingly prevalent. Hanger Assembly Speed of construction has become a valuable asset. Floor space and headroom are under constant pressure. Traditionally, HVAC ductwork is constructed from galvanised sheet steel, which is installed first and then insulated separately as a second operation. The Kingspan KoolDuct® System Tiger Clip Coupling System however, is an advanced and innovative pre-insulated rectangular HVAC ductwork system, which is installed in a single-fix. The Kingspan KoolDuct® System eliminates virtually all of the problems Kingspan KoolDuct® System associated with galvanised sheet steel, Plenum Box mineral fibre duct board and preinsulated rigid polyisocyanurate (PIR) ductwork systems whilst, at the same time, offering additional advantages to the specifying engineer, the architect, the M&E contractor, the fabricator, the facilities manager, the property developer and the building owner. Ductwork fabricated from the Kingspan KoolDuct® System Aluminium Grip can reduce air-leakage rates to a fraction of those typical of Coupling System rectangular sheet metal ductwork. This cutting edge System thus offers the triple benefits of cutting energy use, cutting operational carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) emissions and cutting costs. As a result, the Kingspan KoolDuct® System should be Volume Control considered the ductwork system of choice, where low

Damper



### What is The Kingspan **Kool**Duct® System?

The Kingspan KoolDuct® System comprises premium performance Kingspan KoolDuct® panels, fabrication methods, coupling systems and a complete line of accessories to produce pre-insulated rectangular ductwork in sections up to 3.93 m long.

Kingspan KoolDuct® panels available in the following thicknesses and corresponding installed R-values:

- 20\* mm = R1.0;
- 30 mm = R1.4;
- 33\* mm = R1.6: and
- 42 mm = R2.0.

\*minimum order quantities apply

This allows ductwork to be fabricated with different wall thicknesses to suit different performance specifications. Kingspan **Kool**Duct® panels comprise fibre-free rigid thermoset phenolic insulation core faced either with silver aluminium foil on both sides, or silver aluminium foil on one side and black Fibrefree Core coated aluminium foil on the other.

In addition, there are several coupling systems available to suit different installation and project specification requirements.

> They include the 4-bolt, aluminium grip and Tiger Clip systems.

The design of ductwork, including fittings, fabricated from the Kingspan KoolDuct® System follows the same calculation principles and duct sizing methods as are used for ductwork constructed from galvanised sheet steel.

Kingspan Insulation offers a complete product line, providing all materials, tools and accessories necessary for the effective fabrication of ductwork from the Kingspan KoolDuct® System.

> Ductwork from the Kingspan KoolDuct® System is only fabricated by specially trained fabricators who have completed the Kingspan KoolDuct® System Training Course. The required standards of fabrication are detailed in the Kingspan **Kool**Duct® System Fabrication Manual series of publications.

### **Benefits**

#### What's Different about The Kingspan KoolDuct® System?



UL Listed – the only premium performance pre-insulated ductwork in the world to be UL Listed as a Class 1 Air Duct, to Standard for Safety UL 181 (Underwriters Laboratories: Factory Made Air Ducts & Air Connectors), when fabricated to a specification clearly defined by UL.



Low weight – weighs up to 75% less than ductwork constructed from galvanised sheet steel and insulated with mineral fibre – this makes it ideal for refurbishment projects, where existing building structures have insufficient load capacities for new service loads.



Faster installation speeds – low weight ductwork fabricated in sections up to 3.93 m long, single–fix installation and no need to install insulation as a second operation, reduces project scheduling periods for insulated ductwork.



Space saving – typically saves up to 150–200 mm in a single dimension, since the space required to manually install a separate layer of insulation around the ductwork is eliminated – this allows ductwork to be installed flush to ceilings, walls and floors, as well as to surfaces within confined enclosures.



Installed cost savings – reduced labour and materials, including fixings and first level support members, can provide an ideal value engineered ductwork solution without compromising performance – over 15% less expensive.



Low air-leakage – rates can be reduced to a fraction of those typical of rectangular sheet metal ductwork – can easily achieve: SMACNA air-leakage Class 3; BS EN 1507: 2006 air-leakage Class D; BS EN 13403: 2003 Class C; and B&ES (HVCA) DW/144 Class D.



Reduced energy usage & running costs – low ductwork air–leakage can yield significant electrical consumption savings because of reduced heating and cooling loads, and fan energy usage.



Class 0 - Kingspan **Kool**Duct<sup>®</sup> panels faced with silver aluminium foil on one side and either silver or black coated aluminium foil on the other, and their rigid thermoset insulation core, are Class 0, as defined by the Building Regulations in England.



Euroclass  $B_{s1d0}$  – Kingspan **Kool** Duct<sup>®</sup> panels faced with silver aluminium foil on one side and silver aluminium foil on the other, are Euroclass  $B_{s1d0}$ , as defined by the European Fire Classification System.



Easily modified – ductwork configurations can be easily modified and adapted onsite to deal with unexpected changes to the design, which may be required to circumvent unforeseen obstructions and other building design issues.



Green Guide Summary Rating of 'A' – an Ecoprofile, certified by BRE Certification to the the BRE Environmental Profiles methodology, has been created for *Kingspan* **Kool**Duct® panels produced at Kingspan Insulation's Pembridge, UK, manufacturing facility. BRE has assigned the panels a 2008 Green Guide Summary Rating of 'A'.



Whole life cost saving – up to 20% over 30 years, compared with ductwork constructed from galvanised sheet steel and insulated with mineral fibre.



Low embodied environmental impact – up to 65% less than that of rock mineral fibre insulated galvanised sheet steel ductwork.



Reduced operational CO<sub>2</sub> emissions – as a result of low ductwork air–leakage, and the subsequent reduction in operational energy usage.



Reduced workshop-generated waste – computer aided fabrication can greatly reduce the volume of waste, compared with manual fabrication.



Thin insulation – the low thermal conductivity (k–value /  $\lambda$ –value) of Kingspan **Kool** Duct® panels makes them the most thermally efficient, and hence the thinnest, insulation product commonly used for pre–insulated HVAC ductwork.



A fibre-free rigid insulation core – minimises the risk of loose fibres entering the airstream through the ductwork, since distributed air does not come into contact with an insulation material that producesloose fibres.





**Zero-ODP & Low GWP** – the insulation core of *Kingspan* **Kool**Duct® panels is manufactured with a CFC/HCFC-free blowing agent that has zero Ozone Depletion Potential (ODP) and low Global Warming Potential (GWP).





LEED® & BREEAM – ductwork fabricated from The Kingspan Kool Duct® System can contribute points towards achieving credits, including pilot credits, in many of the LEED® rating systems. Contributions can also be made toward the achievement of credits in the schemes within the building rating system BREEAM.



Manufactured to the highest standards – *Kingspan* **Kool**Duct® panels are manufactured under a management system certified to BS EN ISO 9001: 2008 (Quality management systems. Requirements), BS EN ISO 14001: 2004 (Environmental Management Systems. Requirements) and BS OHSAS 18001: 2007 (Health & Safety Management Systems. Requirements).

### **Applications**

#### **Application Suitability**

The Kingspan KoolDuct® System is designed for use in building services / HVAC applications. It is suitable for both new build and retrofit projects in the residential, commercial, institutional, light industrial and leisure sectors. Moreover, it is especially suitable in non–ferrous applications and on high specification projects where insulants with a fibre–free core may be preferred, for instance:

- the food, beverage and pharmaceutical industries;
- clean air and hygiene controlled environments;
- high relative humidity environments;
- swimming pools\*; and
- sterile areas in medical research and healthcare facilities and communication / server rooms in data centres.

#### Operating Recommendations & Limitations

It is recommended that ductwork fabricated from The *Kingspan* **Kool**Duct® System is used for operation as supply, return, fresh and exhaust air ductwork for heating, ventilation and air—conditioning systems within the following limits:

Mean Air Velocity (Max.)	25.4 m/s
Design Pressure (Max.)*	Positive: 1000 Pa Negative: 750 Pa
Temperature	Internal air temperature of -26°C to +85°C during continuous operation.
Size	Unlimited (provided that <i>Kingspan</i> <b>Kool</b> Duct® System fabrication techniques and procedures are strictly observed).

Table 1: Operating Limits for Ductwork Fabricated from the Kingspan Kool Duct® System

\*These are maximum values and vary depending upon both the coupling system and the size of the ductwork. Refer to The Kingspan KoolDuct® System Fabrication Manual series of publications for details (see rear cover).

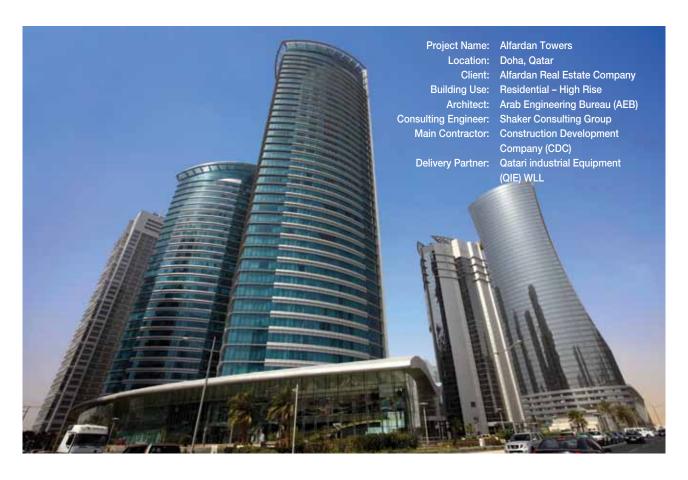
NB 'Mean Air Velocity' refers to the design airflow rate related to the cross sectional area of the ductwork. 'Design Pressure' relates to the actual total pressure of the relevant section of ductwork and not the fan static pressure. 'Total Pressure' is a combination of both static and dynamic pressures.

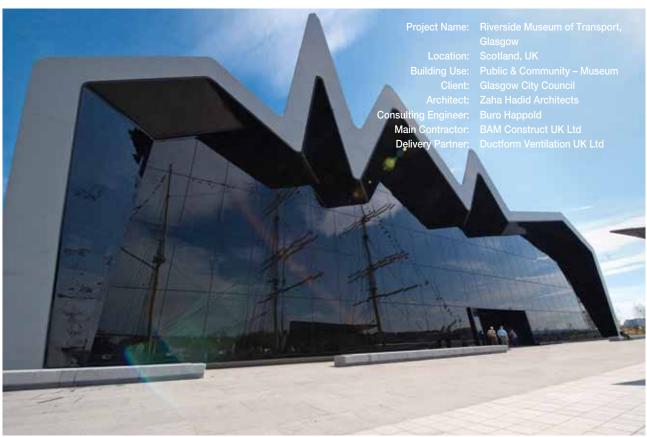
Ductwork fabricated from The Kingspan Kool Duct® System should not be used in the following applications:

- conveyance of solids;
- fire resistant ductwork;
- kitchen / grease hood exhaust systems;
- chemical, fume or smoke exhaust systems;
- where combustible matter readily collects inside the ductwork;
- adjacent to any mechanical / electrical sources of extreme heat;
- outdoor / underground use without mechanical and / or weather protection;
- where the failure of automatic control equipment may give rise to extreme temperatures; and
- with equipment of any type that does not include automatic maximum temperature controls.

<sup>\*</sup>For swimming pools, non-standard applications and project specific advice, please contact Kingspan Insulation.

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