







#### **Company profile**

Whitesales has over 20 years' experience in the manufacture and distribution of speciality flat roofing products. As a company we have the dedication and resource to fulfil the most demanding of requirements throughout the UK. Our experienced and expert personnel have an in-depth knowledge of industry regulations, which ensures we provide up to date advice on fully compliant solutions. Also, we invest in ecologically friendly business processes meaning that our products are from sustainable sources.

#### Rooflights and more...

Whether you are a specifier, contractor or merchant, you will benefit from working with us. The following are just some of the reasons why you should choose Whitesales.

#### High quality products

Our speciality roofing products and accessories are tested to the highest standards and are suitable for use with most flat roof systems, including single ply, felt, hot-melt, asphalt, liquid, GRP and lead. Our tubular rooflights are ideal for use on pitched or flat roofs.

#### Nationwide coverage and next day delivery

With depots strategically located in England and Scotland, Whitesales offers nationwide next day delivery on our own transport or overnight carrier service. Deliveries can be direct to site or to contractor or merchant premises.

#### Technical advice and support

The Whitesales Customer Service Team is readily available to assist you, from your initial enquiry through to after sales support. This includes help with specification writing, site surveys, condition reports, budget costings and fully detailed quotations.

#### Guarantees

All products supplied are fully guaranteed including insurance backed guarantee on request.

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# Whitesales is renowned for proven product ranges, industry leading levels of service and expertise.

#### Why is natural daylight so important?

Natural daylight has long been recognised as the most effective form of light. Building Regulation Approved Document L requires designers to provide adequate daylight '...where rooflight areas are reduced below 20%, the building designer must take special care to demonstrate daylight levels remain adequate...'

Flat roof rooflights are the most efficient means of providing natural daylight, providing up to three times more daylight than an equally-sized vertical window. The light from a rooflight is also more evenly distributed throughout the room, less likely to result in glare or compromise of privacy.

Natural daylight is an invaluable natural asset. The benefits of a naturally-lit workspace are well documented and include increased productivity, work satisfaction and cost reduction, as well as significant reduction of impact to the environment. From a building design perspective the use of rooflights is an excellent means by which both light and solar energy can be utilised to save energy and to reduce the carbon footprint of any property.

There are specific industry policies and guide documents to assist with introducing naturally-lit space into different building types (especially schools). Whitesales can offer support and advice on the requirements for specific applications.

## Product overview: The 'Whitesales' roof



#### **Em-Dome**

Thermoformed dome and pyramid shape rooflights. Em-Domes are offered in a wide range of sizes and glazing options.

See pages 6-23.



#### **Em-Glaze Modular**

Flat glass rooflights with polyester powder coated aluminium frame. Em-Glaze Modular units are available from stock with other bespoke sizes available to order. See pages 24-31.



#### **Em-Tube**

Tubular skylights for flat or pitched roofs with either a rigid or flexible internal tube. Em-Tubes are available from stock in a range of sizes and accessory options.

See pages 32-35.



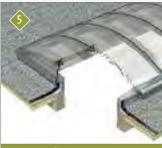
#### **Em-Vent**

Smoke ventilators incorporating either glazed or solid covers. Em-Vents are available in sizes designed to meet current regulations and to suit site dimensions. Em-Hatch Access Hatches also available.

See our dedicated brochure 'Smoke ventilation and access hatches'.



Whether you require design recommendations or have a project on site, Whitesales has the experience, product and service to meet that need.



#### **Em-Vault**

Barrel vaulted continuous sectional rooflights in polycarbonate. Em-Vaults are ideally suited to covering large areas and are made to measure.
T-Vault GRP barrel vaults are also available as a functional alternative.

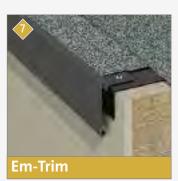
See our dedicated brochure 'Continuous rooflights'.



#### **Em-Glaze Monopitch**

Continuous monopitch skylights in glass or polycarbonate with aluminium framework and cill sections. The Em-Glaze range also includes Ridgelight, Pyramid and Lantern varieties.

See our dedicated brochure 'Continuous rooflights'.



GRP roof edge trim. Em-Trim is available in a wide range of sizes and colours. T-Trim aluminium roof edge trim is also available along with Em-Bar and T-Bar termination bar.

See our dedicated brochure 'Roof trims and other accessories'.



Adjustable paving slab support pad. Em-Pads are adjustable height to allow accurate levelling of paving systems. T-Pad fixed unit is also available. The Accessories range also includes T-Vent breather vents, T-Sleeve pipe sleeves and T-Pipe drainage outlets.

See our dedicated brochure 'Roof trims and other accessories'.



# Em-Dome®

High quality thermoformed rooflights designed to make optimum use of natural light. Em-Domes are offered in a wide range of sizes, shapes and glazing options to meet virtually any specifier and client requirement.





#### **Description**

Em-Dome rooflights are thermoformed from UV protected, co-extruded polycarbonate sheet and are available in single, double, triple, quad skin or Eco multiwall construction.

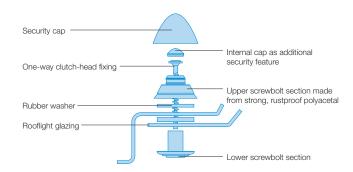
Polycarbonate Em-Domes use a minimum 3mm thick glazing and have been tested and certified according to EN 1873: 1200 Joules, and ACR(M): 001: 2005 Class B.

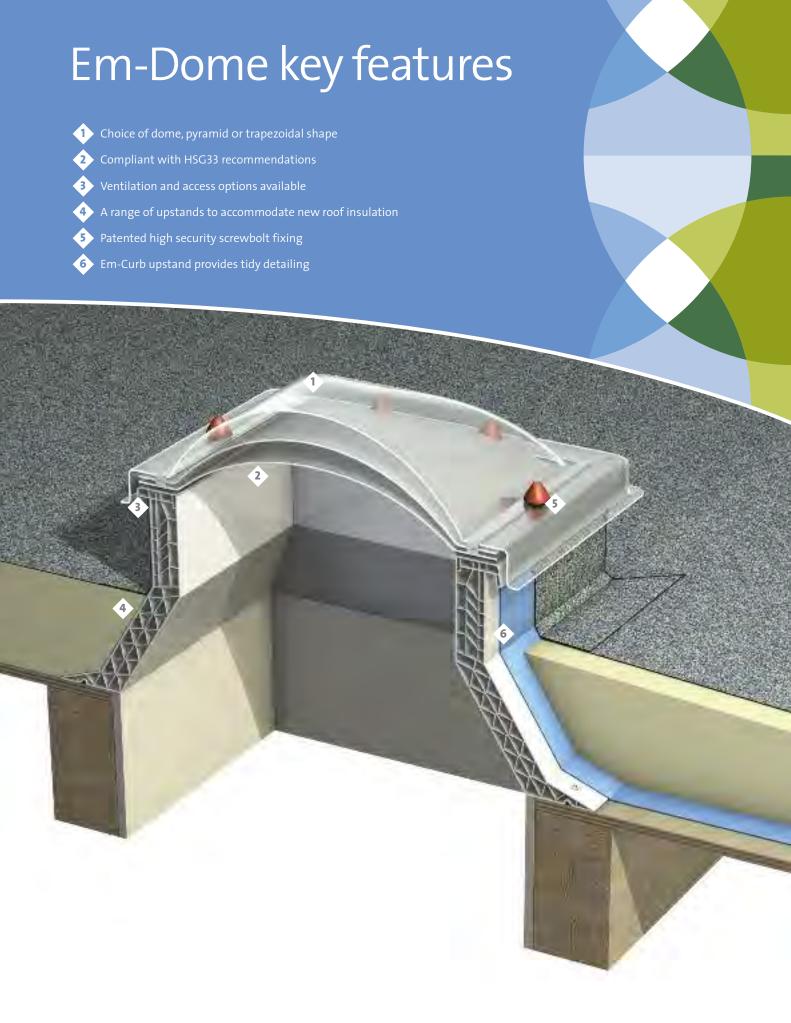
Em-Domes are tested to the highest standards and are proven suitable for use on most flat roofs, including single ply, felt, hot-melt, asphalt, liquid, GRP and lead. They are normally specified with our proprietary curbs (see page 10) but can also be installed on existing builder's curbs.

Higher security, access and ventilation options are available.

#### **High security screwbolts**

Unique to the Em-Dome are the patented high security screwbolts, supplied factory fitted as standard to all units. Once installed, the fixing cannot be removed using common tools. The screwbolt provides a high level of resistance to tampering or forced entry. The fixing screw or bolt is sleeved within the body of the screwbolt which avoids pressure being exerted on the rooflight glazing as the fixing is tightened. This virtually eliminates the risk of stress fractures caused by over-tightening.





## Glazing options

#### **Features**

#### Material

→ Polycarbonate

#### Skin

→ Single, double, triple, quad or multiwall construction

#### Glazing

→ Clear, opal diffused, bronze or 'HeatReflect'

#### Shape

→ Square, rectangular or circular

#### Size

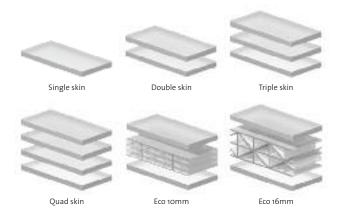
→ From 300 x 300mm to 1800 x 3000mm



# Em-Dome in clear and opal diffused with aluminium cowl

#### Thermoformed glazing

Em-Domes are thermoformed from polycarbonate sheet and are available in single, double and triple skin plus certain sizes available in quad skin or Eco multiwall construction. Polycarbonate is virtually unbreakable, with an impact strength up to 250 times greater than glass.



Em-Domes can be supplied in clear, opal diffused, bronze or 'HeatReflect' (reflects up to 68% of the heat radiation) glazing.









All polycarbonate Em-Domes have a minimum 3 mm outer thick glazing. Inner skin thickness may vary.

#### **Shapes**

Em-Domes are available in the following shapes:



#### **Sizes**

Offered in an extensive range of over 140 sizes from 300 x 300mm, through to 1800 x 3000mm. Many sizes are available ex-stock for immediate delivery. Where units are to replace existing rooflights a range of curb adaptors is available.

See pages 22-23 for details on how to specify Em-Dome.

#### **Performance**

When installed in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations, Em-Domes are expected to exceed the life of the roof covering. Em-Domes are guaranteed against the effects of defective design, materials or construction for ten years, subject to certain conditions. 'Special Project' guarantees are available including 20 year and insurance backed. For further details please contact Whitesales.

Performance of glazing materials		
Typical values	Polycarbonate	
Fire ratings		
To BS 476: Part 3	AA	
To BS 476: Part 7	Class 1*	
To 1991 Building Regulations	Tp(a)	
Service temperature	-50 to +120°C	
Information for 3mm thick glazing unless note	d otherwise.	

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# Em-Dome circular in opal diffused with GRP upstand

#### Certification

Whitesales' Em-Dome rooflights are 'out-of plane' rooflights, and provided they are specified with polycarbonate glazing, can be deemed to be 'non-fragile'.

- ◆ Em-Dome polycarbonate rooflights have undergone large body impact testing by an independent accredited test organisation and test certificates are available to demonstrate compliance to an energy level of 1200 Joules when tested to pr EN 1873, and ACR(M)001: 2005 to Class B. They have also undergone hard body impact testing according to NBN EN 13964:2007.
- Polycarbonate Em-Domes have been awarded BBA
   Certificate No. 00/4691 and are manufactured to ISO 9001.
- Polycarbonate Em-Domes are manufactured in accordance with European standards and hold a CE mark according to EN 1873.
- Em-Dome rooflights, Em-Curb upstands, hinged opening frames and rotating ventilators are certified as providing adequate resistance to precipitation, according to EN 1873 – Weathertightness.

#### **Glazing specification**

	Single Clear	Single Opal	Single HeatReflect	Double Clear	Double Opal	Double HeatReflect
Light transmission (LT %)	88%	58%	50%	77%	51%	50%
Solar heat gain factor (g %)	83%	60%	61%	69%	50%	53%
Sound reduction (dB)	12	12	12	20	20	20
Thermal transmission (W/m²K)	5.36	5.36	5.36	2.68	2.68	2.68
	Triple Clear	Triple Opal	Triple HeatReflect	Quad Clear	Eco 10	Eco 16
Light transmission (LT %)	70%	45%	45%	60%	35%	31%
Solar heat gain factor (g %)	60%	43%	46%	47%	32%	30%
Sound reduction (dB)	22	22	22	23	21	22
Thermal transmission (W/m²K)	1.78*	1.78*	1.78*	1.37	1.23	1.03

 $<sup>^{\</sup>ast}$  Measured in hot box in the vertical BS EN ISO 12567-2: 2005

<sup>\*</sup> Class o for Building Regulation purposes

## Curbs for new installations...

#### **Features**

- → Used in conjunction with Em-Dome rooflights
- → Exceptional thermal efficiency
- → Em-Curbs for new installations
- → Enhance overall appearance of the rooflight
- → Prefinished white internally
- → Heights available 150, 300, 350 and 500mm
- → Available in white PVC-u or GRP



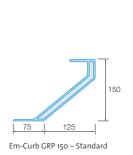
#### **Em-Curb upstands**

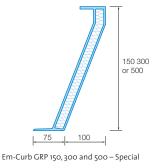
Em-Curbs are designed to be used in conjunction with Em-Dome rooflights to provide a thermally broken interface which in turn helps to improve the overall thermal efficiency of the roof. Em-Curbs represent excellent value for money, enhance the overall appearance of the rooflight and are prefinished white internally, therefore requiring no further decoration.

Splayed Em-Curb upstands give an excellent spread of light through the room whilst the vertical units are available where the dimensions of the roof aperture need to be maintained.

The standard Em-Curb is made from extruded white PVC-u. The multi-chambered construction gives an exceptionally robust and thermally efficient performance. This curb is suitable for most roof finishes and is available in heights of 150, 300 and 350mm with other heights also available. All ventilation, access hatch and smoke vent options can be used in conjunction with Em-Curbs.

Em-Curbs can also be supplied in GRP which have integral 10mm polyurethane foam insulation and robust dome fixing and mounting flanges. They can be used with most roofing materials.



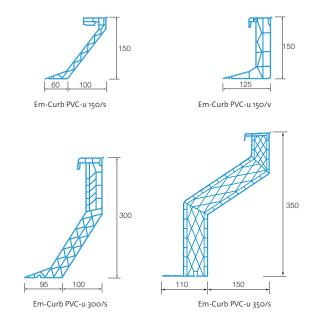


#### Thermal transmission

Values shown below are the calculated U-value, unless denoted otherwise. Complete unit U-values are available on request.

Typical values	U-value (W/m²K)
Em-Curb PVC-u 150/s	2.20
Em-Curb PVC-u 150/v	1.00*
Em-Curb PVC-u 300/s	1.00*
Em-Curb PVC-u 350/s	0.89
Em-Curb GRP 150 Standard	1.82
Em-Curb GRP 150, 300 and 500 Special	1.07

<sup>\*</sup> Measured in hot box in the vertical BS EN ISO 12567-2: 2005



## ... and refurbishments

#### **Em-Collar adaptors**

Em-Collars provide a thermally broken solution for replacing existing rooflights and would typically be installed to an existing builder's upstand. Consideration should be given to using the PVC 350/s upstand to oversleeve existing site upstand as this reduces site work, especially where existing linings must not be disturbed, e.g. may contain asbestos.

#### T-Collar adaptors, collars and flanges

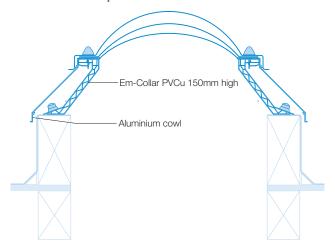
T-Collars are purpose made to fit any size or type of existing builder's curb or proprietary upstand and enable Em-Domes to be fitted where existing dimensions are irregular or a direct size match is not available.

Em-Collars and T-Collars are a flexible solution and can also incorporate all ventilation, access hatch and smoke vent options.

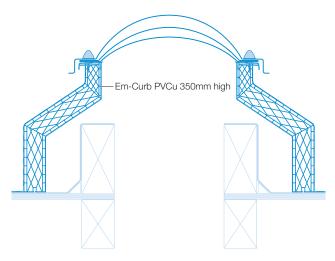


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#### **Em-Collar PVC Adaptor Collar**



**Em-Curb PVC Oversleeve Upstand** 



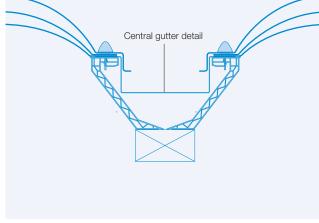
#### **Multiple Em-Dome rooflights**

For extra long applications, e.g. 3 to 6m, two or more Em-Domes can be installed together by means of linked T-Collar adaptors. These are self-supporting up to a span of 1m. For spans over 1m a structural support will be required. Where necessary, linked T-Collar adaptors are supplied in individual sections for jointing on site, utilising a standing seam detail.

Em-Curb upstands can also be used in conjunction with multiple rooflights.

For roof openings longer than 6m, we would normally recommend a continuous barrel vault rooflight (refer to the Whitesales 'Continuous rooflights' brochure).

Linked Em-Collar adaptor – jointing detail



## Security options: Em-Dome Plus

#### **Features**

- → Fully enclosed tamper-proof frame
- → High security fixing detail
- → Simple to install
- → Unobtrusive appearance with no visible fixings
- → Completely weatherproof
- → Self-draining



#### Description

A fully enclosed, tamper-proof frame for a totally secure fixing, Em-Dome Plus is simple to install and provides a neat, unobtrusive appearance, with no visible fixings. The design of the frame allows for a completely weatherproof, self-draining construction, incorporating standard Em-Domes in single, double or triple skin construction. The Em-Dome Plus frame is made from aluminium extrusions to BS 1474, Quality 6063/T6, and is supplied in mill finish. Polyester powder coated frames are also available.

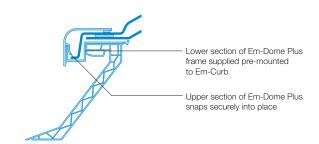
#### **Performance**

Em-Dome Plus security rooflights will not rust or be affected by atmospheric pollution. Once installed, they are maintenance free.

#### **Sitework**

The frame is supplied factory fitted to an Em-Curb or Em-Collar. For mounting to builder's curb the frame will need to be supplied with an adaptor frame.

Fixing Em-Dome Plus to Em-Curb

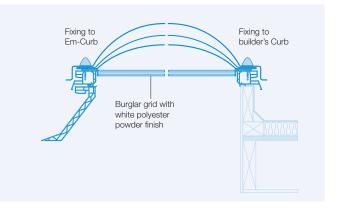


#### **Burglar grid**

Where a higher level of security is required a burglar bar grid is available for most sizes and permutations. Polyester powder coated frames are also available.

The grid provides extra strength to the complete installation whilst also acting as an extra visual deterrent to potential intruders.

Type of burglar bar grid varies according to size. Please consult Whitesales for exact details.



## Access options

#### **Features**

- → Rooflight becomes means of access to roof
- → Can be installed to existing upstand with Em-Collar
- → Em-Curb upstands can be incorporated
- → Provides a safe access route
- → Telescopic gas or friction struts
- → Remote electric operation units available



#### **Description**

Where the rooflight is to be used as a means of access on to a roof the hinged access hatch frame opens to 90° to provide a safe route for personnel and equipment, often avoiding the need to provide other external facilities. The access frame can be specified for mounting either direct to a builder's curb with Em-Collar and T-Collar adaptors or in conjunction with Em-Curb upstands.

Standard features include a locking handle to secure the rooflight in the closed position and telescopic struts to hold the rooflight in the open position. The telescopic struts are either gas assisted hydraulic operation or have adjustable friction control and can be set according to dome weight and prevailing site conditions.

#### Limitations of use

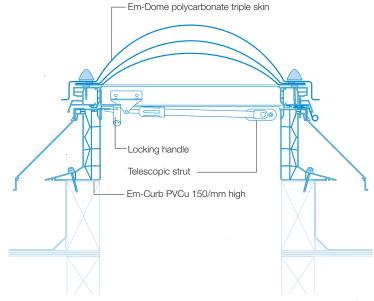
Access hatches are not recommended in sizes larger than 1160mm square or 860 x 1460mm rectangular.

#### Other options

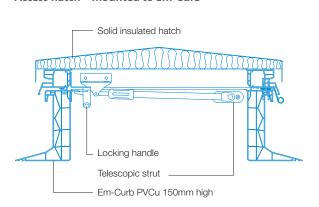
Remote electric operation opening units are also available (refer to Whitesales).

Refer to Whitesales dedicated brochure 'Smoke ventilation and access hatches'.

#### Access hatch - mounted to Em-Collar



#### Access hatch - mounted to Em-Curb



## Smoke vent options

#### **Features**

- → Rooflight provides light to stairwells
- → Available with glazed or solid lid
- → Open to 90° or 140°
- → Can incorporate roof access facility
- → Control pack with accessories available
- → Stand alone Opening Vent (OV)
- → Integrated Automatic Opening Vent (AOV)



m-Vent solid cover AOVs polyester powder coated dark grey

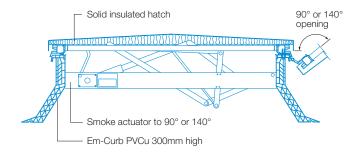
#### **Smoke vents**

OVs (Opening Vents) and AOVs (Automatic Opening Vents) are required to meet the relevant Building Regulations for ventilating escape routes. The Regulations stipulate a minimum free ventilation area (normally 1.0m² or 1.5m²), and require units to open to either 90° or 140° depending on a number of factors. Ventilation areas can be achieved with a variety of square or rectangular Em-Domes and can be used in conjunction with Em-Curb upstands or T-Collar and Em-Collar adaptors.

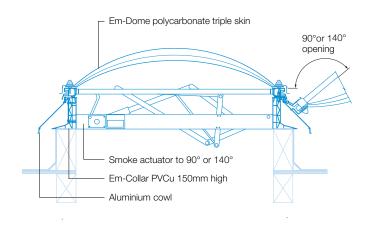
Opening the rooflight is by means of a 24V DC electric actuator. For OVs we can provide a stand alone control panel with a comprehensive range of accessories – for AOVs our control panel can interface with the main Building Management System (BMS) or accessories. Due to the variety of BMSs that are required to satisfy the relevant authorities, we recommend that a qualified mechanical and electrical company is employed to plan and install the system.

Refer to Whitesales 'Smoke Ventilators and Access Hatches' brochure for full details.

#### Smoke vent – mounted to Em-Curb



#### Smoke vent - mounted to Em-Collar





## Ventilation options

#### **Features**

- → Permanent Trickle
- → Controllable Trickle
- → Controllable Rotating
- → Hinged Manual Spindle Opening
- → Hinged Electric Actuator Opening
- → Powered Extract Fan



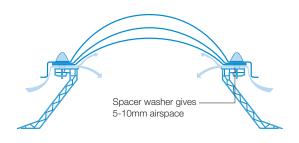
#### **Permanent Trickle**

Permanent ventilation is provided by means of spacer washers inserted in the Em-Dome fixings. This provides a continuous 5 to 10mm weatherproof vent around the perimeter of the rooflight which suits areas such as corridors and other areas where non-controllable background ventilation is required.

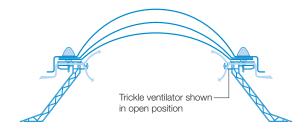
#### **Controllable Trickle**

Controllable trickle ventilation is an adjustable slot vent which is fitted to two or four sides of a PVC Em-Curb, Em-Collar or T-Collar. With the vents on two sides the unit can provide 8000mm<sup>2</sup> ventilation area which assists with Building Regulations compliance.

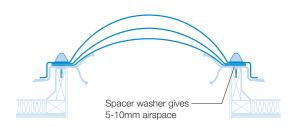
#### Fitted to Em-Curb



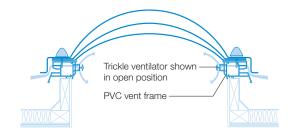
Fitted to Em-Curb



Fitted to builder's curb



Fitted to builder's curb





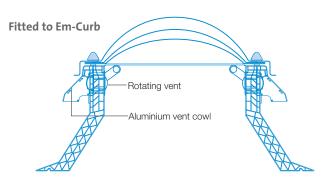


#### **Controllable Rotating**

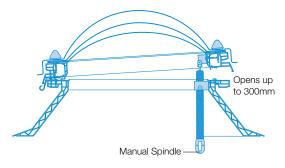
Controllable rotating vents are a fully insulated unit with enhanced thermal properties and a greater vent area than the Trickle Vent options. The vents can be fitted to two or four sides of a PVC Em-Curb or Em-Collar. With the vents on two sides, the unit will provide a minimum of 11,000mm² ventilation area. This increases with the size of the rooflight. Tested and certified according to EN 1873 – Watertightness.

#### **Hinged Manual Spindle Opening**

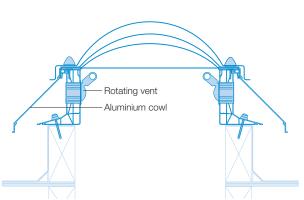
Hinged opening vents provide the maximum ventilation area to allow rapid air movement. The manual spindle operation can be opened to any point up to 300mm and is operated by a Winding Rod available separately. Tested and certified according to EN 1873 – Watertightness.



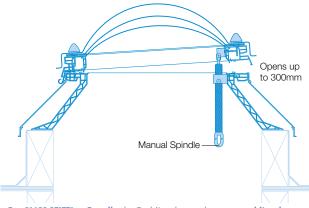
Fitted to Em-Curb



Fitted to Em-Collar



Fitted to builder's curb



# Ventilation options: Continued



#### **Powered ventilation**

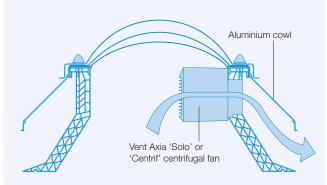
Where natural ventilation is insufficient, Em-Domes can be supplied with Vent Axia Solo or Centrif Duo centrifugal extract fans. These are mounted in the side wall of Em-Curb PVC-u 150/v or Em-Curb PVC-u 300/s.

These high performance extract fans are specifically designed for ventilating internal bathrooms, WCs and other small rooms. They have an extract performance of 85 m³/hr (24 l/s) or 220 m³/hr (61 l/s) respectively and can be fitted in one or more sides. Where greater air movement is required, white PVC lined fan collars with pre-cut apertures are available to enable fitting of larger axial fans (e.g. Vent-Axia T-series). This allows either new high capacity fans to be installed or existing fans to be reinstalled through the rooflight unit.

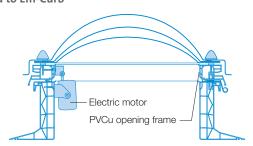
#### **Hinged Electric Actuator Opening**

Hinged opening vents provide the maximum ventilation area to allow rapid air movement. The electric actuator operation allows control by a wall mounted open/close switch and also options for wind, rain and temperature sensors with a range of control panels available separately. Actuators are either 24V DC or 230V AC with options to open to 400 or 600mm.

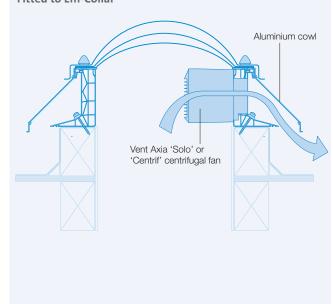
#### Fitted to Em-Curb



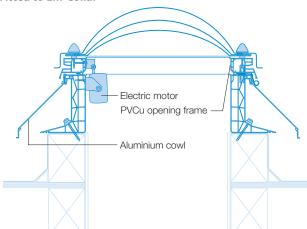
#### Fitted to Em-Curb



Fitted to Em-Collar



#### Fitted to Em-Collar



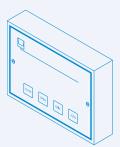
## Ventilation controls

#### **Controllers**



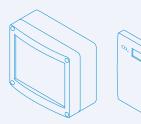
#### Open/Close

- Retractive switch 240V as standard
- · Surface mounted or flush
- Also available with transformer for 24V actuators
- Key switching available
- Waterproofing casing available



#### **Control panel**

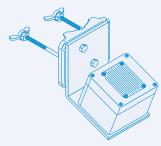
- Includes open/close manual overide switch
- Automated/controlled opening of actuators
- Opens electric actuator in conjunction with sensors shown below



#### CO<sub>2</sub>

- Monitors CO2 concentration, indoor air quality to meet the requirement of Building Bulletin 101 – Ventilation in School Buildings – July 2005
- Traffic light system indicates CO2 level range (green – optimum, yellow – moderate, red – poor)

#### **Accessories/sensors**



#### Rain detector

- · Heated sensor area
- Rain signal stored for two minutes
- · Includes mounting brackets



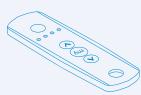
#### Wind sensor

- Aerial mast fastening
- Wind signal stored for ten minutes



#### Humidity

 Ideal for washrooms, swimming pool areas and other high-humidity rooms



#### Remote

- · Radio remote controller
- Choice of one or four channels
- Includes receiver and power pack



#### Timer

- Enable timer and set overide ideal for end of day closure
- Can be used for open and close functions



#### Thermostat

- Control high temperature levels
- Use in conjunction with timer for optimum effectiveness

## Em-Dome size chart

Em-Dome rooflights

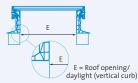
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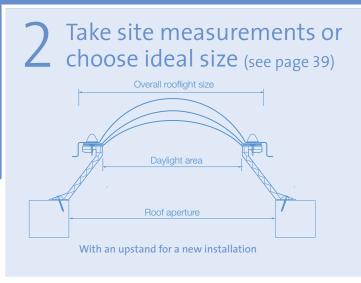
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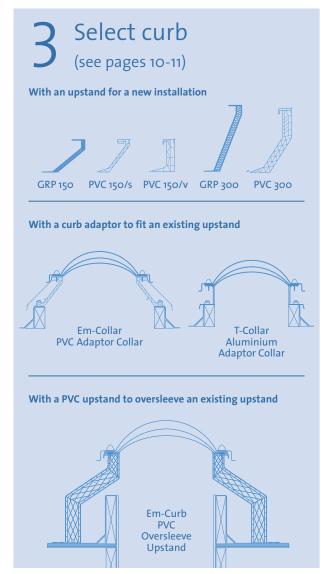
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Em-Dome shape	Size Ref No.	Pyramid availability	ECO 10 availability	Dimension A Overall dome size (mm)	Dimension B Overall upstand size (mm)	Dimension C Roof opening (PVC splayed curb) (mm)	Dimension D Roof opening (GRP curb) (mm)	Dimension E Roof opening (PVC vertical curb) (mm)
Rectangular sizes	R7	Δ	•	860 x 1160	800 x 1100	900 x 1200	950 x 1250	700 x 1000
(continued)	R7A			860 x 1460	800 x 1400	900 x 1500	950 x 1500	700 x 1300
	R7D			860 x 1660	800 x 1600	900 x 1700	N/A	700 x 1500
1000	R7в			860 x 1760	800 x 1700	900 x 1800	N/A	700 x 1600
	R7x			860 x 2160	800 x 2100	900 x 2200	N/A	700 x 2000
100	R7y			860 x 2360	800 x 2300	900 x 2400	N/A	700 x 2200
-	R8x			910 x 1210	850 x 1150	950 x 1250	N/A	750 x 1050
	R8	Δ		910 x 1410	850 x 1350	950 x 1450	1000 x 1500	750 x 1250
	R9x			910 x 1810	850 x 1750	950 x 1850	N/A	750 x 1650
	R9	Δ		910 x 1910	850 x 1850	950 x 1950	1000 x 2000	750 x 1750
	R10			910 x 2410	850 x 2350	950 x 2450	1000 x 2500	750 x 2250
	R10A	Δ		960 x 1260	900 x 1200	1000 x 1300	N/A	800 x 1100
	R11	Δ	•	960 x 1460	900 x 1400	1000 x 1500	1050 1550	800 x 1300
	R11x			960 x 1560	900 x 1500	1000 x 1600	N/A	800 x 1400
	R11c			960 x 1760	900 x 1700	1000 x 1800	N/A	800 x 1600
	R11A			960 x 1860	900 x 1800	1000 x 1900	N/A	800 x 1700
	R12	Δ		960 x 1960	900 x 1900	1000 x 2000	1000 x 2000	800 x 1800
	R12в			960 x 2160	900 x 2100	1000 x 2200	N/A	800 x 2000
	R13			960 x 2360	900 x 2300	1000 x 2400	1050 x 2450	800 x 2200
	R14			960 x 2460	900 x 2400	1000 x 2500	1000 x 2500	800 x 2300
	R14A			960 x 2660	900 x 2600	1000 x 2700	N/A	800 x 2500
	R15			960 x 2960	900 x 2900	1000 x 3000	1000 x 3000	800 x 2800
	R15M			1010 x 2510	950 x 2450	1050 x 2550	N/A	850 x 2350
	R16			1060 x 1360	1000 x 1300	1100 x 1400	1150 x 1450	900 x 1200
	R16A			1060 x 1660	1000 x 1600	1100 x 1700	1150 x 1750	900 x 1500
	R16B			1060 x 1960	1000 x 1900	1100 x 2000	1150 x 2050	900 x 1800
	R16E			1060 x 2260	1000 x 2200	1100 x 2300	N/A	900 x 2100
	R17	Δ	•	1160 x 1460	1100 x 1400	1200 x 1500	1250 x 1550	1000 x 1300
	R17A			1160 x 1660	1100 x 1600	1200 x 1700	N/A	1000 x 1500
	R18	Δ	•	1160 x 1760	1100 x 1700	1200 x 1800	1250 x 1850	1000 x 1600
	R18A	٨	•	1160 x 2060	1100 x 2000	1200 x 2100	1250 x 2150	1000 x 1900
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	R22z			1160 x 2960	1100 x 2900	1200 x 3000	N/A	1000 x 2800
	R22P			1210 x 1810	1150 x 1750	1250 x 1850	N/A	1050 x 1650
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	R22x			1260 x 1560	1200 x 1500	1300 x 1600	N/A	1100 x 1400
	R22B	Δ		1260 x 1860	1200 x 1800	1300 x 1900	N/A	1100 x 1400
	R22c			1260 x 1860	1200 x 1800	1300 x 1500	N/A	1100 x 1700
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	R23x			1360 x 1660	1300 x 1600	1400 X 1000	1450 x 1750	1200 X 1400
	R23			1360 x 1960	1300 x 1900	1400 x 1700	1450 x 1750	1200 x 1800
	R23A			1360 x 1360	1300 x 1900	1400 x 2300	1450 x 2350	1200 x 1800
	R23B			1360 x 2560	1300 x 2500	1400 x 2600	N/A	1200 x 2400
	R24			1460 x 1760	1400 x 1700	1500 x 1800	1550 x 1850	1300 x 1600
	R25			1460 x 2060	1400 x 2000	1500 x 1000	1550 x 2150	1300 x 1900
	R26			1460 x 2160	1400 x 2100	1500 x 2200	1550 x 2250	1300 x 2000
	R27			1460 x 2360	1400 x 2300	1500 x 2400	1550 x 2450	1300 x 2200
	R28	Δ		1460 x 2460	1400 x 2400	1500 x 2500	1550 x 2550	1300 x 2300
	R29			1460 x 2660	1400 x 2600	1500 x 2700	1550 x 2750	1300 x 2500
	R30			1460 x 2960	1400 x 2900	1500 x 3000	1550 x 3050	1300 x 2800
	R31x			1760 x 2060	1700 x 2000	1800 x 2100	1850 x 2150	1600 x 1900
	R31			1760 x 2160	1700 x 2000	1800 x 2100	1850 x 2150	1600 x 1900
	R32			1760 x 2360	1700 x 2100	1800 x 2400	1850 x 2450	1600 x 2200
	R32A			1760 x 2460	1700 X 2300	1800 x 2400	1850 x 2450	1600 x 2300
	R33			1760 x 2460	1700 x 2400	1800 x 2700	1850 x 2750	1600 x 2500
	R34			1760 x 2960	1700 x 2000	1800 x 2700	1850 x 2750	1600 x 2800
	R35			1960 x 2960	1900 x 2900	2000 x 3000	N/A	1800 x 2800

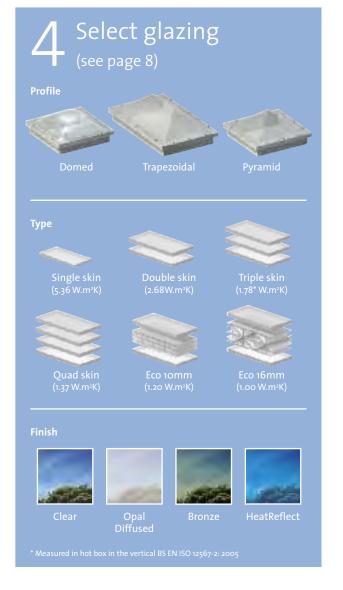
## How to specify checklist

Use the following checklist to help you consider the elements that need to be specified for your project and the Whitesales team will help you to apply this to a full specification.





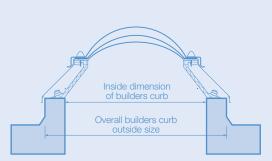




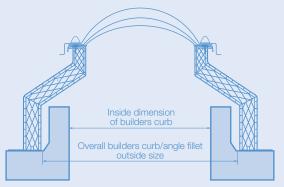
### With over 140 sizes,

ranging from 300 x 300mm to 1800 x 3000mm,

we provide you with the largest selection to choose from in the UK.



With a curb adaptor to fit an existing upstand



With a PVC upstand to oversleeve an existing upstand

# 5 Select ventilation and opening options

(see pages 13, 16-18)

#### **Permanent Trickle Vent**

Permanent non-controllable spacer washers for corridors

#### **Controllable Trickle Vent**

Controllable slot ventilator on two or four sides.

Provides minimum 8000mm<sup>2</sup> vent to assist compliance with Building Regulations.

#### Controllable Rotating Vent

Fully insulated controllable vent for secure and effective through flow of air. Suited to living and working areas.

#### **Hinged Manual Opener**

Hinged opener controlled by operating rod. Provides high air movement and can be opened up to 300mm.

#### Hinged Electric Opener

Electrically operated hinged opener operated by switch of specialist control pack. Opens up to either 400 or 600mm

#### **Extract Fan**

Centrifugal extract fan to remove air. Suited to cloakroom, kitchen and other high humidity areas

#### Smoke Vent

Electrically operated hinged openers to allow controlled smoke ventilation. Open to either 90° or 140°.

#### Access Hatch

Hinged and lockable access hatch to allow safe access to roof or plant areas.

## 6 Other options (see page 12)

**Specify from product literature** e.g. Burglar bar grid, Security frame.

### Typical NBS clause

L10 – Windows / Rooflights / Screens / Louvres

460 - Rooflights

Manufacturer: Whitesales – Tel + 44 (0)1483 271371, E-mail sales@whitesales.co.uk. Web www.whitesales.co.uk

**Product Reference:** Em-Dome Thermoformed Modular Rooflight

**Type:** [Rectangular] [Square] [Circular]

**Size:** [Specify from Product literature or Consult Whitesales]

Frame: High Security Screwbolt

**Kerb:** [Specify upstand height and type, or curb adaptor type]

#### Glazing details:

Material: Polycarbonate

Profile: [Dome] [Pyramid] [Trapezoidal

Type: [single] [double] [triple] [quad] [multiwall] skin Finish: [Clear] [Opal Diffused] [Bronze] [Heat-Reflect]

Ventilation and opening: [Permanent] [Controllable Trickle] [Rotating] [Manual hinged opener] [Electric hinged opener] [Extract Fan] [Smoke Vent] [Access Hatch]

Other requirements: [Burglar Bar Grid]

**Fixing:** [Consult Whitesales for recommendations]

# **Em-Glaze**™

High quality, aesthetically pleasing prefabricated flat glass rooflights. Em-Glaze Modular units are available in a wide range of standard sizes or can be made to measure and can also be colour coated to match other roof components if required.





#### Description

Em-Glaze Modular rooflights are designed to maximise the amount of natural daylight in a building and at the same time provide a clean minimalistic finish both inside and outside. They are manufactured with flat sealed glass units and incorporate a fully welded aluminium frame and cill detail. All visible aluminium is polyester powder coated light grey as standard.

The flush design ensures efficient drainage of rainwater and the silkprint edge ensures that the double glazed unit holds the unrivalled insulation value over the full lifetime without deterioration.

#### **Performance**

#### Thermal regulations

The double glazed unit exceeds current thermal requirements and the triple glazed unit gives an industry leading performance.

#### **Sound reduction**

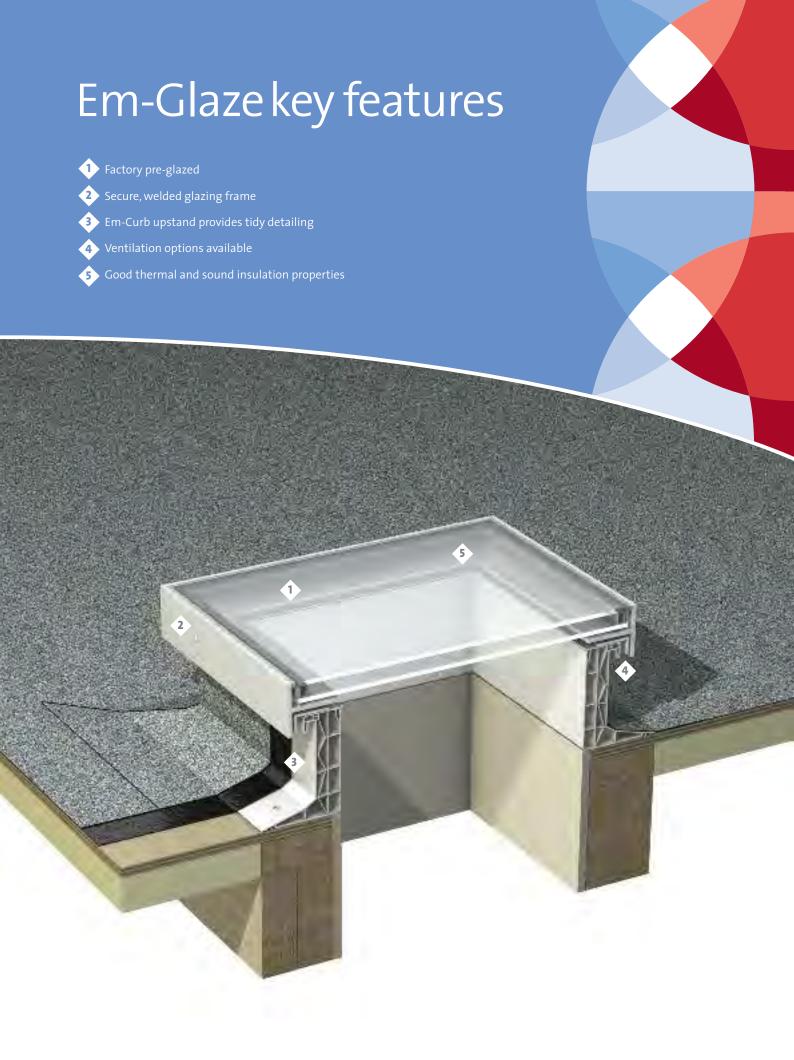
With glass panes each at 6-8mm thick and a 16mm argon filled cavity the sound reduction will give excellent protection from traffic or other noise.

#### Installation

As the units are supplied prefabricated and assembled they are very simple to fix, either to a site formed upstand or to one of our PVC proprietary Em-Curbs.

#### Certification

Impact resistant to CWCT Class 2.



## Flat glazed description

#### **Features**

- → Prefabricated
- → Simple to Install
- → Flush design
- → Unrivalled insulation value
- → Ventilation options
- → Low E argon filled sealed units



#### **Glazing types**

Double glazed Em-Glaze modular rooflights are manufactured with 32mm hermetically sealed Low E, argon filled units as standard, with a warm edge spacer, providing a high performance system. Solar control and self cleaning glass options are available.





Size

Offered in a range of standard sizes some of which are stocked ready for immediate dispatch. Other non-standard sizes are available to order.

#### **Testing**

Requirement	Result	Classification
Watertightness	Passed	EN1873
Air tightness	Class 4 (600pa)	EN12207/EN1026
Sound insulation	34 R <sub>w</sub> dB	DS/EN717-1/A1
Light transmission	86%	_
Weight	55 kg/m²	-
Thermal insulation	1.24 W/m²K	EN/ISO 10077-1
with upstand		EN/ISO 10077-2
PVC-u 150V		EN673
		DS418
Impact	Class 2	CWCT

Above is for double glazed units

#### Thermal transmission

Values shown below are the calculated U-value, unless denoted otherwise. Complete unit U-values are available on request.

Glazing type	U-value (W/m²K)
Double glazed with curb	1.24
Triple glazed with curb	0.87

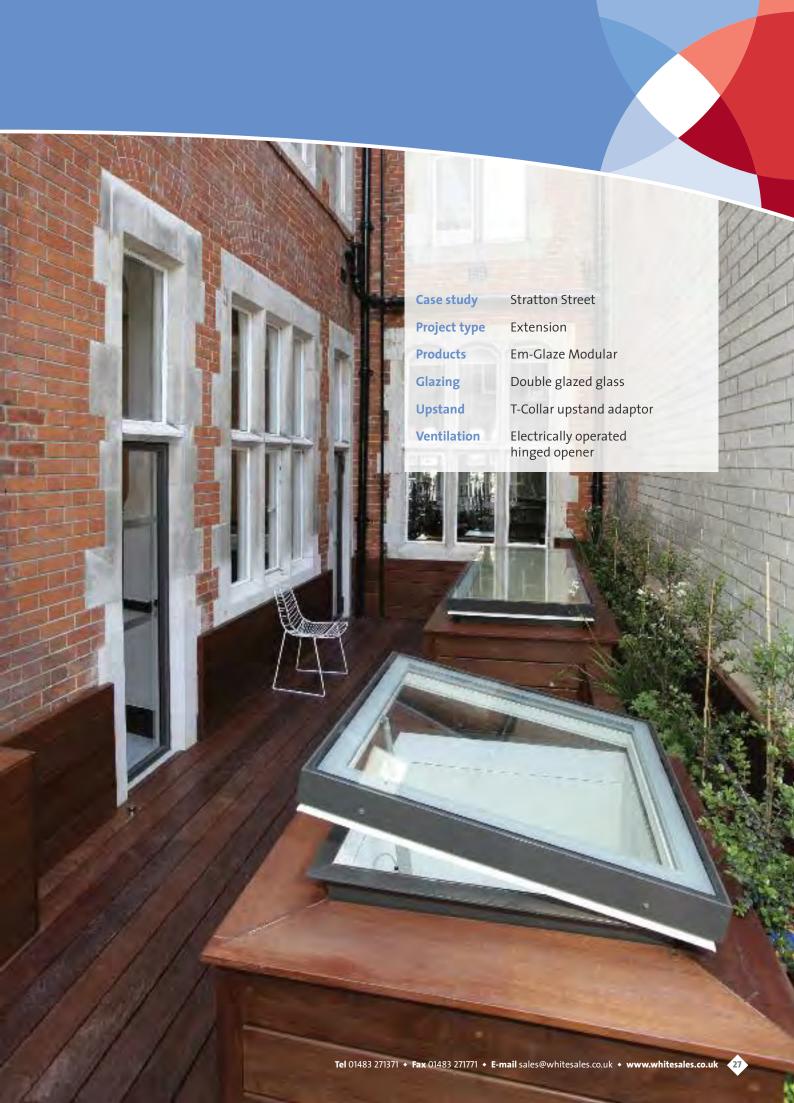
#### **Shapes**

Em-Glaze Modular units are available in square and rectangular shapes. A selection of circular sizes is also available.



#### Installation

Em-Glaze Modular rooflights can be supplied with the Em-Curb range of PVC upstands, or be installed to a builder's upstand. For both options, the upstand must be set at a slope of between 5° and 15°.



## Flat glazed curbs

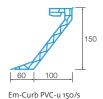
#### **Features**

- → Used in conjunction with Em-Glaze rooflights
- → Exceptional thermal efficiency
- → Em-Curbs for new installations
- → Em-Collars for replacement of existing
- → Enhance overall appearance of the rooflight
- → Prefinished white internally
- → Heights available 150, 300 and 350mm



#### **Em-Curbs**

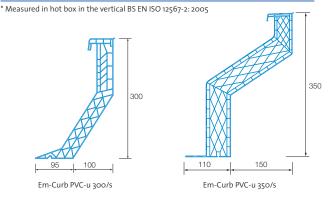
Em-Curbs are designed to be used in conjunction with Em-Glaze Modular rooflights and are finished in white internally. Em-Curbs represent excellent value for money and enhance the overall appearance of the rooflight. The heights of Em-Curbs are 150, 300 and 350mm. The standardEm-Curb is made from extruded white PVC-u. The multi-chambered construction gives an exceptionally robust and thermally efficient performance. This curb is suitable for most roof finishes.





#### Thermal transmission

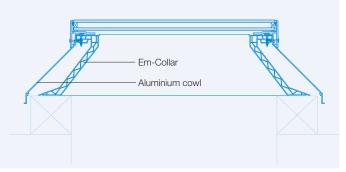
Typical values	U-value (W/m²K)
Em-Curb PVC-u 150/s	2.20
Em-Curb PVC-u 150/v	1.00*
Em-Curb PVC-u 300/s	1.00*
Em-Curb PVC-u 350/s	0.89



#### **Em-Collars**

Em-Collars provide a thermally broken solution for replacing existing rooflights and would typically be installed to an existing or newly formed builder's upstand where the dimensions do not suit a standard sized Em-Glaze Modular rooflight.





## Flat glazed ventilation

#### **Features**

- → Controllable Trickle
- → Controllable Rotating
- → Hinged Manual Spindle Opening
- → Hinged Electric Actuator Opening

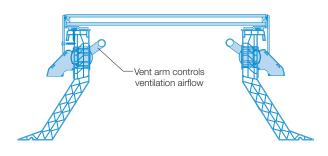
#### **Controllable Trickle**

Controllable trickle ventilation is a slot vent which is fitted to two or four sides of a PVC Em-Curb, Em-Collar or T-Collar. With the vents on two sides the unit will provide 8000mm² ventilation area which assists with Building Regulation compliance.



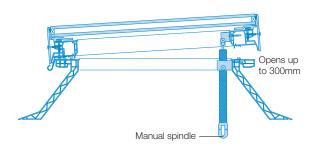
#### **Controllable Rotating**

Controllable rotating vents are a fully insulated unit with enhanced thermal properties and a greater vent area than the Trickle Vent options. The vents can be fitted to two or four sides of a PVC Em-Curb or Em-Collar. All units are supplied with external weathering cowls.



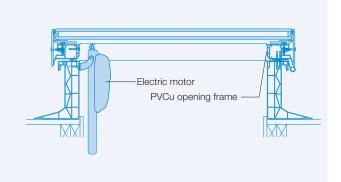
#### **Hinged Manual Spindle Opening**

Hinged opening vents provide the maximum ventilation area to allow rapid air movement. The manual spindle operation can be opened to any point up to 300mm and is operated by a 1.5, 2.0 or 3.0m winding rod available separately. For units larger than 1 x 1 m, the electrically operated hinged opener should be used.



#### **Hinged Electric Spindle Opening**

Hinged opening vents provide the maximum ventilation area to allow rapid air movement. The electric actuator operation allows control by a wall mounted open/close switch and also options for wind, rain and temperature sensors with a range of control panels available separately. Actuators are either 24V DC or 230V AC and open to 180mm.



## Em-Glaze size chart

		Em-Glaze roofli	ghts	Em-Curb	Em-Curb upstands		
		Overa glazing:		C Roof opening size (splayed PVC curb)			
		B Overall cur	b size		Roof opening/ daylight size (vertical PVC curb)		
m-Glaze shape	Size Ref No.	Dimension A Overall glazing size	Dimension B Overall curb size	Dimension C Roof opening (PVC splayed curb)	Dimension E Roof opening (PVC vertical curb)		
auaro sizos	EG S2	(mm) 640 x 640	(mm) 600 x 600	(mm) 700 x 700	(mm) 500 x 500		
quare sizes	EG S4	740 x 740	700 x 700	800 x 800	600 x 600		
	EG 54	840 x 840	800 x 800	900 x 900	700 x 700		
	EG 57	940 x 940	900 x 900	1000 x 1000	800 x 800		
	EG S8	1040 x 1040	1000 x 1000	1100 x 1100	900 x 900		
	EG S9	1140 x 1140	1100 x 1100	1200 x 1200	1000 x 1000		
	EG S10A	1240 x 1240	1200 x 1200	1300 x 1300	1100 x 1100		
	EG S11	1340 x 1340	1300 x 1300	1400 x 1400	1200 x 1200		
	EG S12	1440 x 1440	1400 x 1400	1500 x 1500	1300 x 1300		
ctangular sizes	EG R3B	640 x 840	600 x 800	700 x 900	500 x 700		
	EG R4	640 x940	600 x 900	700 x 1000	500 x 800		
	EG R4W	640 x 1040	600 x 1000	700 x 1100	500 x 900		
	EG R4A	640 x 1240	600 x 1200	700 x 1300	500 x 1100		
	EG R4Y EG R4B	640 x 1540	600 x 1500	700 x 1600	500 x 1400		
	EG R4B	640 x 1840 640 x 2040	600 x 1800 600 x 2000	700 x 1900 700 x 2100	500 x 1700 500 x 1900		
	EG R4F	740 x 1040	700 x 1000	800 x 1100	600 x 900		
	EG R5A	740 x 1240	700 x 1000	800 x 1100	600 x 1100		
	EG R6	740 x 1340	700 x 1300	800 x 1400	600 x 1200		
	EG R6A	740 x 1440	700 x 1400	800 x 1500	600 x 1300		
	EG R6C	740 x 1640	700 x 1600	800 x 1700	600 x 1500		
	EG R6F	740 x 1940	700 x 1900	800 x 2000	600 x 1800		
	EG R6G	740 x 2040	700 x 2000	800 x 2100	600 x 1900		
	EG R6H	740 x 2140	700 x 2100	800 x 2200	600 x 2000		
	EG R7C	840 x 1040	800 x 1000	900 x 1100	700 x 900		
	EG R7E	840 x 1240	800 x 1200	900 x 1300	700 x 1100		
	EG R7A	840 x 1440	800 x 1400	900 x 1500	700 x 1300		
	EG R7F	840 x 1540	800 x 1500	900 x 1600	700 x 1400		
	EG R7D	840 x 1640	800 x 1600	900 x 1700	700 x 1500		
	EG R7B	840 x 1740	800 x 1700	900 x 1800 900 x 2100	700 x 1600		
	EG R7W	840 x 2040	800 x 2000		700 x 1900		
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	EG R11X	940 x 1540	900 x 1500	1000 x 1600	800 x 1300		
	EG R11Y	940 x 1640	900 x 1600	1000 x 1700	800 x 1500		
	EG R11C	940 x 1740	900 x 1700	1000 x 1800	800 x 1600		
	EG R11A	940 x 1840	900 x 1800	1000 x 1900	800 x 1700		
	EG R12A	940 x 2040	900 x 2000	1000 x 2100	800 x 1900		
	EG R12B	940 x 2140	900 x 2100	1000 x 2200	800 x 2000		
	EG R16C	1040 x 1240	1000 x 1200	1100 x 1300	900 x 1100		
	EG R16	1040 x 1340	1000 x 1300	1100 x 1400	900 x 1200		
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	EG R19	1140 x 2140	1100 x 2100	1200 x 2200	1000 x 1900		
	EG R22X	1240 x 1540	1200 x 1500	1300 x 1600	1100 x 1400		
	EG R22B	1240 x 1840	1200 x 1800	1300 x 1900	1100 x 1700		
	EG R22D	1240 x 2040	1200 x 2000	1300 x 2100	1100 x 1900		



# **Em-Tube**™

Em-Tube Tubular Skylights effectively transmit natural daylight to internal rooms or areas that do not receive adequate daylight. Natural daylight is captured at roof level and directed downwards through rigid or flexible tubes and then diffused at ceiling level.







#### Flat and pitched roof tubular skylights

Many buildings suffer from low levels of daylight. Occupants and workers in all types of building, e.g. residential and commercial buildings, schools and hospitals all benefit from increased levels of natural daylight.

Natural daylight in buildings reduces energy demand and provides the full colour spectrum, thus reducing eyestrain, improving concentration and increasing productivity.

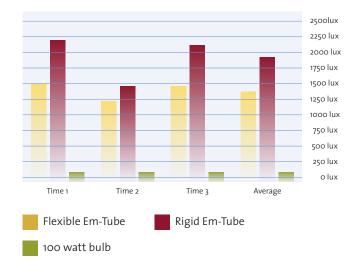
Em-Tube is an innovative and effective means of transmitting natural daylight to otherwise poorly lit areas and with the ventilation options available the units can assist compliance with Building Regulations.

The skylights can be installed into new or existing roofs with ease and can be accommodated within most roof construction types.

#### How much light does Em-Tube transmit?

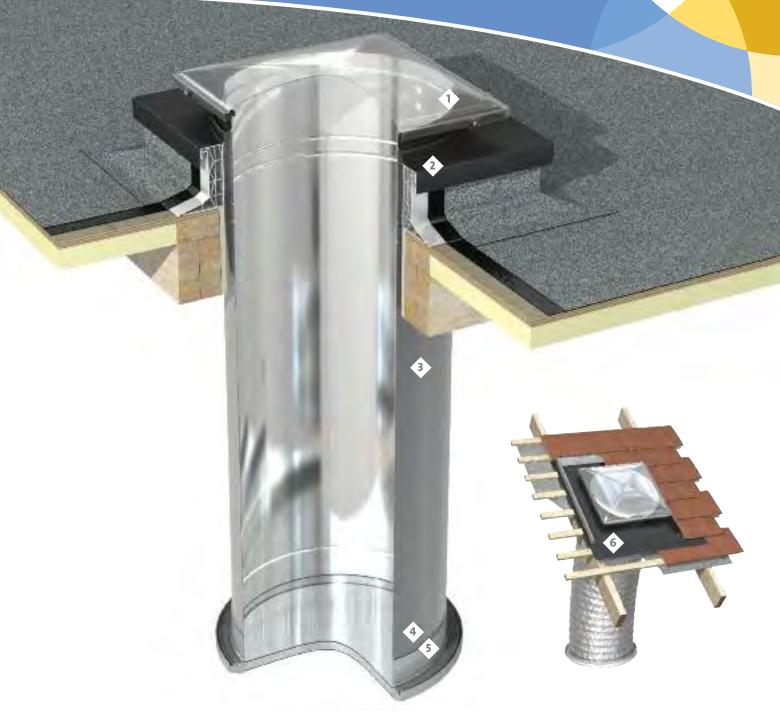
Tests carried out in the UK prove that anything up to fourteen times the equivalent of a 100 watt bulb can be achieved with 3m of flexible Em-Tube run on the 550mm diameter unit.

Light intensity at three times during one day



# Em-Tube key features

- 1 Low profile UV protected polycarbonate dome
- Ventilation option
- 3 Flexible and rigid tube options
- 4 Lower tube ceiling mounting ring
- 5 Easy-fit magnetic, double glazed ceiling diffuser
- 6 Roof flashing panel



## Em-Tube: Technical data

#### **Features**

- → Up to 20 times more light than a 100w bulb
- → Minimal disturbance to roof and ceiling
- → Comprehensive range of sizes and accessories
- → Double glazed ceiling diffuser
- → Low profile polycarbonate UV resistant dome
- → Flat, tile and slate roof options available



#### Description

Em-Tube is an innovative and effective means of transmitting natural daylight to otherwise poorly lit areas. A passive ventilation system is included as a standard option and is available in rigid and flexible tube systems.

#### Rigid tube system

Offers 98% reflection on inner surface. Up to 20 times more light (2200 lux) than a 100w bulb (105 lux). Suitable for longer tube lengths.

#### Flexible tube system

Provides up to 14 times more light (1500 lux) than a 100w bulb (105 lux). Suitable for shorter tube length and is easier to install.

#### **Availability**

Standard units	350	450	550
Tile roof	✓	✓	✓
Slate roof	✓	✓	✓
Flat roof	✓	✓	✓

Optional accessories	350	450	550
Twin-skin diffuser	✓	✓	✓
Electric light	✓	✓	✓
PVC upstand for flat roofs	✓	✓	✓

It is recommended that all tubular skylight tubes are lagged with insulation to minimise the risk of condensation.

#### Applications and limitations of use

For maximum daylight output the Em-Tube should be located on a south facing roof slope and/or as high as possible, out of any shadow of tall trees and buildings. It should also be installed to give the most direct run from roof to ceiling level.

No specific level of light transmission can be guaranteed because specific applications and external light conditions are beyond our control.

#### Pitched roofs

Tile Flashing Kits are available to suit plain/profiled tiles or slates:

Tile/slate thickness	Flashing kit
8 to 16mm	'Slate Roof' kit
14 to 32mm	'Tile Roof' kit

#### Flat roofs

Whitesales recommends using Flat Roof Flashing Kits and installing to a PVC-u Em-Curb.

#### Size

Each Standard Em-Tube kit accommodates Rigid Tube System: up to 1.om (0.7m for flat roof kits), Flexible Tube System: up to 3.om.

625mm and 1250mm extension pieces are available in rigid tube – these are suitable for extending the Flexible and Rigid Tube Systems.

Flexible extension tubing is also available. Please consult Whitesales for advice on optimum permutations and application.

# Nominal size (diameter) | Space needed between (diameter) | Max. room size | Features | 350mm | 345mm | 2 x 2m | 3 x 3m | Suitable for very small rooms. Fits between most conventional rafters/joists, eliminating need for trimming work.

450mm	460mm	3.5 x 3.5m	4.5 x 4.5m	Suitable for bathrooms, hallways, landings, or corridors.
550mm	540mm	5 x 5m	6 x 6m	Suitable for living areas, kitchens, large landing, corridors, offices, retail areas or commercial areas.

For larger areas, use multiple units of optimum permutation. Transmitted light varies due to position on roof and adjacent trees or buildings.

#### **Accessories**

**Em-Tube sizes** 

**Em-Curb upstand for flat roof applications** 

- Economical and effective alternative to builder's upstand curb
- Compatible with most flat roof finishes
- Extruded PVCu
- ♦ 150mm high

#### Em-Tube fire collar

- ♦ Mounted above ceiling diffuser
- Protects against fire spread
- Certified up to four hours' fire protection

#### Em-Tube light kit

- Provides 24hrs single light source no need for separate light fitting
- 240V 6owatt
- Specially designed for Em-Tubes
- Cost effective

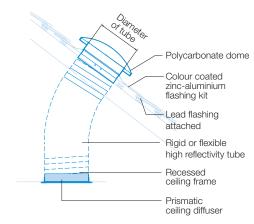
#### **Em-Tube security collar**

Intruder resistant grid

#### **Typical installation details**

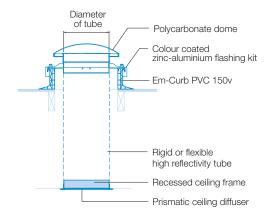
#### Pitched roof

Tile flashing kits are available to suit plain/profiled tiles or slates.



#### Flat roof

For installation to a timber builder's curb or PVCu upstand, use flat roof flashing kit.



## Design considerations



Whitesales is able to advise on current requirements and regulations. The following pages summarise some of the key considerations that should be taken into account when specifying rooflights.

## Approved Document L 2010: Conservation of fuel and power

#### Introduction

This Approved Document, which takes effect on 1 October 2010, deals with energy efficiency requirements in the Building Regulations (as amended) and is made up of four distinct publications which are summarised below. It should be noted that Approved Documents are guidance publications and there is some provision for trade-off with other building elements – any proposal should be checked with the relevant building control body. U-Values should be calculated in accordance with BRE 2006. The document also covers areas such as Materials and Workmanship including a requirement to demonstrate appropriate use of products with CE marking, British Standards and European Technical Approvals. Whitesales Em-Dome rooflights have undergone stringent and extensive testing and are certified to these standards.

#### Solar heat gain

Approved Documents L1A and L2A include requirements to limit solar gains through the summer period. The inside of the building can heat up during daylight hours due to the sun. This is termed as solar heat gain. To reduce this effect, solar control glass can be adopted to reflect heat and reduce glare from the sun's rays. This lessens the burden on air-conditioning systems thus reducing CO<sub>2</sub> emissions. In simple form, this may be body tinted glass in blue, green or bronze or more sophisticated, coated clear glass that allows maximum light transmission, but at the same time substantially reduces heat gain. For Em-Dome values, see page 9 of this brochure – Solar heat gain factor (g%).

#### Optimum rooflight provision

A building's design will affect the contribution rooflights can make. The optimum area of rooflights will therefore vary for each building. However, research has shown that a rooflight area of 15-20% will

contribute to an overall reduction in CO<sub>2</sub> emissions in most buildings. Rooflights are up to three times more effective at supplying daylight than vertical windows. Where artificial lighting is controlled by daylight sensors, installing rooflights can result in a significant reduction in the energy used for lighting. Energy consumed in lighting a building is often greater than that used to heat it. In addition, the SAP and SBEM software programs take account of the contribution made by passive solar gains through rooflights. Solar gains help to offset the increased heat loss of rooflights compared to the insulated main roof.

#### Air permeability

Air permeability is the physical property used to measure airtightness of the building fabric. It is defined as air leakage rate per hour per square metre of building envelope at the test reference pressure differential across the building envelope of 50 Pascal (50N/m²). The limiting air permeability is the worst allowable air permeability. The design air permeability is the target value set at design stage, and must always be no worse than the limiting value. The assessed air permeability is the value used in establishing the BER, and is based on a specific measurement of the building concerned.

#### ADL 1A: New dwellings



This document sets a minimum energy performance requirement called the 'Target CO<sub>2</sub> Emission Rate' (TER), and 'Dwelling CO<sub>2</sub> Emission Rate' (DER). The aim is to improve the overall building envelope rather than specific elements hence improvements in one area can be used to offset other areas of poorer

performance. Section 4.20 covers 'Window, roof window, glazed rooflight, curtain walling and pedestrian door'. Specifically rooflights must conform to a U-value of no more than 2.00W/m²K and the calculation is based on the value of the complete rooflight unit rather than the values of any one component part.

#### ADL 1B: Existing dwellings



Section 4.19 covers 'Window, roof window or rooflight' The document states that where windows, roof windows or rooflights are to be provided, the reasonable provision – in normal cases – would be the installation of draught-proofed units whose performance is no worse than a U-value of 1.6W/m²K

or complying with the Window Energy Rating System, B and C.

#### ADL 2A: New buildings other than dwellings



This document sets a minimum energy performance requirement called the 'Target CO<sub>2</sub> Emission Rate' (TER), and 'Building CO<sub>2</sub> Emission Rate' (BER). The aim is to improve the overall building envelope rather than specific elements hence improvements in one area can be used to offset other areas of poorer

performance. Section 4.30 covers 'Window, roof window, glazed rooflight, curtain walling and pedestrian door'. Specifically rooflights must conform to a U-value of no more than 2.2W/m²K. The calculation is based on the developed area of the rooflights rather than the roof aperture and is the value of the complete rooflight unit rather than the values of any one component part. Also included are 'Roof ventilators (inc. smoke vents)' which must conform to a U-value of no more than 3.5W/m²K.

#### ADL 2B: Existing buildings other than dwellings



Section 4.23 covers 'Window, roof window and glazed rooflight' and 'Plastic rooflight'. Specifically plastic rooflights must conform to a U-value of no more than 1.8W/m²k. Also included are 'Roof ventilators (inc. smoke vents)' which must conform to a U-value of no more than 3.5W/m²K.

#### Approved Document B 2006: Fire Safety



Approved Document B places certain limitations on the use of rooflights, which are dependent on glazing material and site circumstances, such as building size, use of area below rooflights, rooflight size and proportion of total roof area, distance from boundary etc. The relevant information is set out in Volume 1:

Sections 3 and 10; Volume 2: Sections 6, 12 and 13 of Approved Document B, 2006 Edition. Where applicable, the responsibility for determining that any building component complies with the relevant Regulations rests solely with the customer or specifier.

## Approved Document E 2003 (amended): Resistance to the passage of sound



This document requires that buildings are designed and constructed to provide resistance to sound and reverberation. The aim is to limit noise disturbance by including sufficient acoustic properties and insulation in areas such as internal and external walls, floors and other elements. Rooflights should perform in

accordance with these requirements and the decibel reduction value can be used in calculations for this purpose. For Em-Dome acoustic values see page 9 of this brochure and for Em-Glaze Modular see page 24. Further information is available in Building Bulletin 93 – Acoustic Design for Schools.

#### **Approved Document F: Means of ventilation**



This document places the responsibility on the designer to comply with ventilation requirements to new and existing buildings. It states ventilation types including extract, whole building and purge and gives minimum ventilation requirements. Rooflights are often a useful means of complying

with the requirements especially where no other external aperture is available. See pages 16-18 of this brochure for Em-Dome ventilation options. Further information is available in Building Bulletin 101 – Ventilation of School Buildings.

#### BS 6229

BS 6229: 1982, Code of Practice for flat roofs with continuously supported coverings, requires rooflights to incorporate upstands to raise them at least 150mm above the uppermost roof surface to which the roof covering is bonded or dressed. The designer should ensure that the builder's curb is at least 150mm high.

#### **BRE BR443**

Various standards deal with the calculation of U-values of building elements. The conventions provide guidance on the use of the standards, indicating the methods of calculation that are appropriate for different constructional types, providing additional

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information about using the methods and providing data relevant to typical UK constructions. The U-value conventions were original

to typical UK constructions. The U-value conventions were originally published by the BRE in 2002 and the 2006 edition is an update which provides additional information and reflects changes in the underlying British Standards. The U-Value calculation methods are also referred to in Approved Documents L1A, L1B, L2A and L2B.

#### Condensation

Condensation occurs where warm moist air meets cold surfaces. As warm air rises, the risk of condensation forming at rooflight level is relatively greater than at lower level. The risk can be minimised by specifying triple skin Em-Domes and Em-Curb insulated upstands. The provision of ventilation may also assist (see options on pages 16-18). However, because temperature and humidity levels are clearly beyond our control, no guarantee can be given against the formation of condensation.

Condensation between the skins can also occur when the room below has high humidity levels, for example during construction from new plaster or paintwork. Polycarbonate is hygroscopic and allows water molecules to filter through – the water pressure forces its way through the lower skin and condenses inside the cavity. However, once the humidity level in the room is restored to normal this condensation dissipates through the breathable seals.

#### Limitations on use

Whitesales modular rooflights are designed for use in normal circumstances on flat roofs up to 15° pitch (on flat roofs Em-Tube can be used up to 15° and on pitched roofs above 15°). For applications in excess of 15° or in unusual circumstances (e.g. extreme temperature or climatic conditions) please refer to Whitesales. Please note that all information supplied is based on our best knowledge and general experience. Because of factors outside our control which can affect installation and use of products, no warranty is given or implied in respect of information provided. A policy of continuous product improvement applies and Whitesales therefore reserve the right to alter specifications without prior notice.

## Health & Safety



### Construction (Design & Management) Regulations 2007

According to the Health and Safety Executive, almost 20% of deaths in the construction industry are caused by falls from or through roofs. The majority of these falls are through fragile materials such as asbestos cement roofing or old/fragile rooflights.

The Construction (Design and Management) Regulations 2007 places a duty on designers and specifiers to give proper consideration to eliminating or reducing risks at the design stage. Health and Safety Executive (HSE) Health and Safety in Roof Work draws attention to the responsibilities of those specifying rooflights.

(HSE) Health and Safety in Roof Work states that where rooflights are required, designers should consider:

- Specifying rooflights that are Non-Fragile.
- Fitting rooflights designed to project above the plane of the roof and which cannot be walked on (these reduce the risk but they should be capable of withstanding a person falling onto them).
- Protecting rooflight, e.g. by means of mesh or grids fitted below or above the rooflight
- Specifying rooflights with a design life that matches that
  of the roof, taking account of the likely deterioration due to
  ultraviolet exposure, environmental pollution and internal
  and external building environment.

For specifiers the key message is to eliminate 'fragile' materials from roof design. For contractors, provide effective fall arrest equipment or safety netting.

#### Non-fragile rooflights

Whitesales Em-Dome rooflights are out-of-plane rooflights, and provided they are specified with polycarbonate glazing, can be deemed to be 'non-fragile'.

- ◆ Polycarbonate Em-Domes have been independently tested according to EN 1873 2005 [E] to an energy of 1200J and to ACR[M] 001: 2005 and can be classified as Class B 'Non-Fragile'.
- Whitesales offers a 10 year warranty against discolouration of Em-Domes glazing material and, in the case of polycarbonate, loss of impact strength underwritten by the sheet material supplier.
- Whitesales polycarbonate Em-Domes have been awarded BBA Certification or are manufactured to ISO 9001.
- Whitesales offers a post-forming warranty backed by the sheet manufacturer.

#### Man-safe

Man-safe is a term often used within the construction industry to mean that the product can withstand foot traffic. However man-safe has no recognised definition and 'non-fragile' does not qualify a product to be used as a thoroughfare.

Whilst glazing and other accessories may be designed to safely resist the impact of a human body falling against it, the wilful act of walking on any kind of roof glazing must be forbidden at all times.

The act of walking upon a glazed structure can cause microscopic damage that, in time, may have a detrimental effect upon the impact performance of the system.

Walking upon glazing may encourage a practice that could lead to general disregard for the rating of said glazing, with catastrophic consequences.

Safety data sheets are available on request.

## Sitework

#### Handling and storage

While all Whitesales modular rooflights and associated products are suitably packaged to avoid damage care should be exercised when handling. For moving larger items, two or more people may be needed. All products should be stored on edge in flat dry conditions.

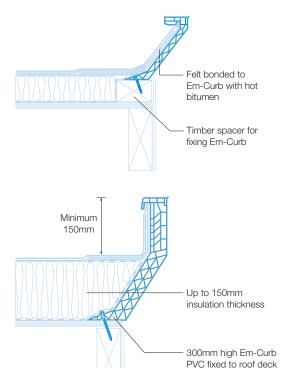
#### **Installation**

All Em-Dome and Em-Glaze rooflights are supplied ready assembled and pre-drilled complete with security screwbolts and factory applied sealing tape where applicable and are delivered to site in protective packaging. Full instructions and fixings are included with all products, and should be carefully studied prior to installation.

#### Fixing upstand curbs

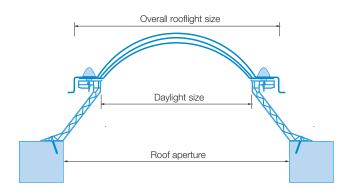
For fixing curbs to the roof structure, drill holes in the bottom flange, 100mm from each corner and at maximum 300mm centres and screw to roof structure. Typical installation details are shown below. The PVC-u Em-Curb is suitable for use with most flat roof systems including single ply, felt, hot-melt, asphalt, liquid and lead.

Where asphalt is specified, Whitesales recommend the use of PVC-u upstands with pre-fixed sheathing felt and expanded metal lathe. This must be specified if required.



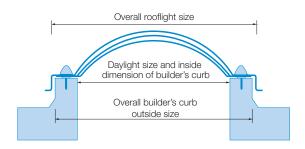
#### **Fixing Em-Domes to Em-Curbs**

The Em-Dome should be accurately positioned on the Em-Curb and the screwbolt fixing positions marked on the Em-Curbs. The fixing holes are drilled in the Em-Curb and the Em-Dome is simply placed in position and fixed using the screwbolt fixings supplied.



#### Fixing Em-Domes to builder's curbs

The Em-Dome overall rooflight size should be 60mm bigger than the outside dimensions of the upstand curb. Holes should be pre-drilled in the upstand curb to accept the tamper-proof screws provided for use with the screwbolt fixings. The fixing positions can be located by accurately placing the dome over the upstand curb, with the screwbolt caps removed, and marking the position of the fixings.



#### **Em-Glaze installation**

Refer to page 28.

#### **Em-Tube installation**

Refer to page 35.

## Operation and maintenance



Whitesales rooflights and accessories can generally be regarded as 'maintenance free'. However, the following guidelines should be followed to optimize their usefulness.

Any maintenance of rooflights must of course be carried out strictly in accordance with the relevant 'Health and Safety' regulations.

Checks should be carried out on all products annually.

Project specific data is available on request.

#### **Em-Dome and Em-Glaze**

Operation: Em-Domes are fixed at installation stage to the relevant upstand, and are a means of allowing natural light into the area below.

Polycarbonate rooflights are 'Non-fragile', but should not be trafficked.

Maintenance: Wash only with warm soapy water. DO NOT USE strong detergents or abrasives.

#### Em-Curb

Operation: Normally manufactured in extruded PVCu, or GRP. Em-Curbs provide a proprietary upstand detail for Em-Domes.

Maintenance: Maintenance free.

GRP Em-Curbs may be decorated internally if required.

#### Em-Tube

Operation: Em-Tubes are fixed at installation stage to the relevant upstand, and are a means of allowing natural light into the area below. They are 'Non-fragile', but should not be trafficked.

Maintenance: Wash only with warm soapy water. DO NOT USE strong detergents or abrasives.

#### Passive ventilation

Operation: Normally by means of 'Trickle', 'Louvre' or 'Rotating' vents, to provide background ventilation. Trickle vents are adjusted by hand. Louvre and Rotating vents are adjusted by a proprietary operating rod – available in 1.5, 2 or 3m lengths. Louvre vents require a sharp upwards push to fully close.

Maintenance: Maintenance free.

#### Opening ventilation

Operation: Operated manually by spindle and proprietary winding rod, or electrically by means of 24V DC or 24oV AC electric box motors. Manual operation opens to 300mm. Electric motors must be installed by a qualified electrician.

Maintenance: Test annually by an Approved Electrical Installations Testing Company. Physically check fixing brackets to ensure fixings are secure.

#### **Access units**

Operation: For means of access onto roof area. Only to be used by authorised personnel. Unit is opened by opening the locking cockspur handle and pushing the unit into the open position. If the unit has frictional struts, they should be adjusted to ensure unit is safely held in the open position. DO NOT use as a means of ventilation. DO NOT USE in windy conditions. ONLY USE in accordance with relevant Health and Safety Regulations.

Maintenance: Check brackets, struts, locking handle, etc., to ensure operation is correct and fixings are secure.

#### **Extract fans**

Operation: These are factory fitted to the relevant rooflight component and connected to an unswitched Fused-Spur.

A switched electrical supply should be connected by a qualified electrician.

Maintenance: Test annually by an Approved Electrical Installations Testing Company.



## Support services





#### **Technical services**

Advice and technical assistance on the application and specification of all rooflights and accessories is readily available from Whitesales.

Full technical advice is available, including technical specification writing, site surveys, condition reports and budget costings or fully detailed quotations.

A comprehensive library of product data sheets and CAD drawings is available along with NBS specifications.

For projects where we have undertaken a rooflight site survey we offer a CAD roof plan drawing service.

The Whitesales Customer Service Team works to respond immediately to customer request.

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#### Nationwide coverage and next day delivery

Whitesales offers next day delivery on their own transport or overnight carrier service nationwide, including deliveries to site, to contractors and merchants.

With depots strategically located in England and Scotland, the service driven team is readily available, from your initial enquiry through to after sales support.

Project and larger consignments are delivered on Whitesales' own transport and delivery periods are determined on a per order basis.

#### Guarantees

All Em-Dome rooflights, when installed on Em-Curbs, Em-Collars or T-Collars and in accordance with manufacturer's instructions, are guaranteed against the effects of defective design, materials or construction for a period of ten years from date of supply by Whitesales. Furthermore, the glazing element of all Em-Domes is warranted against discolouration for ten years subject to certain conditions. A 20 year 'special projects' guarantee is also available. Further details available on request.

Em-Dome rooflights have an expected life of at least 25 years which would normally exceed the life of the roof waterproofing materials.

All other products (e.g. T-Collars, Em-Curbs, ventilation systems, electrical components and other accessories) are guaranteed for 12 months from date of supply by Whitesales.

Whitesales holds Professional Indemnity Insurance, covering our designs and recommendations. Full details available on request.

## Environment





#### Our responsibility

The environment and the effect we have upon it is one of the key issues facing the construction industry.

There is a growing demand for construction solutions which minimise the consumption and use of natural resources. Whitesales recognises the impact that we can have on the environment and is managing activities to maximise our contribution towards the protection of the environment and preservation of natural resources. This includes constant reviews of our manufacturing operations and distribution chain.

#### Sustainability

Sustainable developments ensure a better quality of life for everyone, now and for future generations. To be environmentally sustainable a product must be manufactured and used in a way that minimises its impact on the environment.

Sustainability covers all aspects of a product's impact on the environment. This includes original source of raw materials, the manufacturing process, transportation, construction, life span of the product and eventual disposal and re-use of the material.

#### **Environmental policy**

In maintaining and developing our business, products and services, we will pay careful attention to the following measures:

- ◆ Comply immediately with all applicable laws and regulations concerning the environment.
- Develop manufacturing processes and operational procedures that minimise, as far as practically possible, pollution risks to the environment.
- Reduce waste generated by our activities and encourage energy conservation, recycling and re-use.
- Provide training and support to employees to enable them to maximise their contribution towards the protection of the environment.
- Encourage suppliers, contractors and customers to share in our aims to promote good environmental management.

