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Product family to which the construction product belongs

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Manufacturing plant

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HPL - flat string stair System Ihle

Prefabricated stair with strings made of flat laminate and steps made of solid wood for use as an indoor stair in buildings

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13 pages including 3 annexes which form an integral part of this assessment

Guideline for European technical approval of "Prefabricated stair kits", ETAG 008 Part 1: "Prefabricated stair kits in general (excluding severe climatic conditions)", January 2002, used as European Assessment Document (EAD) according to Article 66 Paragraph 3 of Regulation (EU) No 305/2011.

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### Specific Part

### 1 Technical description of the product

The HPL flat string stair System Ihle is a prefabricated stair system, which consists of steps, strings and system fasteners. The steps are connected with the strings by four system fasteners. The steps are made of solid wood, the strings are made of high-pressure laminates (HPL) and the system fasteners are made of steel.

The product description is given in Annex A.

# 2 Specification of the intended use in accordance with the applicable European Assessment Document

The performances given in Section 3 are only valid if the stair is used in compliance with the specifications and conditions given in Annex B.

The verification and assessment methods on which this European Technical Assessment is based lead to the assumption of a working life of the stair of at least 50 years. The indications given on the working life cannot be interpreted as a guarantee given by the producer, but are to be regarded only as a means for choosing the right products in relation to the expected economically reasonable working life of the works.

#### 3 Performance of the product and references to the methods used for its assessment

### 3.1 Mechanical resistance and stability (BWR 1)

Essential characteristic	Performance
Load-bearing capacity	See Annex C2
Load/displacement behaviour	See Annex C2
Vibration behaviour	First natural frequency: $f_1 \ge 5$ Hz (inclusive a single mass of 100 kg)
	Deflection under a single load F = 1 kN: $w \le 5 \text{ mm}$
Prevention of progressive collapse	Failure of individual components of the stair does not lead to a progressive collapse of the complete stair
Residual load-bearing capacity	Local material failure does not lead to an abrupt total loss of load-bearing capacity of the stair
Long-term behaviour	Load-bearing capacity is ensured under an appropriate use and maintenance over the indicated working life
Resistance to earthquakes	No performance determined (NPD)
Resistance of fixings	See technical documentation of this European Technical Assessment



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### 3.2 Safety in case of fire (BWR 2)

Essential characteristic Performance	
Reaction to fire	See Annex A4
Fire resistance	No performance determined (NPD)

### 3.3 Hygiene, health and the environment (BWR 3)

The HPL products used fulfil the class E1 according to EN 438-7.

Regarding dangerous substances there may be requirements (e.g. transposed European legislation and national laws, regulations and administrative provisions) applicable to the products falling within the scope of this European Technical Assessment. In order to meet the provisions of Regulation (EU) No 305/2011, these requirements need also to be complied with, when and where they apply.

### 3.4 Safety in use (BWR 4)

Essential characteristic	Performance
Geometry	See Annex C1
Slipperiness	No performance determined (NPD)
Equipment of the stair for a safe use	No performance determined (NPD)
Safe breakage of stair components	No brittle failure of individual stair components made of wood
	No danger to the users of the stair at break of stair components made of HPL
Impact resistance	No performance determined (NPD)

### 3.5 Protection against noise (BWR 5)

Not applicable.

### **3.6 Energy economy and heat retention (BWR 6)** Not applicable.

3.7 Sustainable use of natural resources (BWR 7)

The sustainable use of natural resources was not investigated.

### 3.8 General aspects

Essential characteristic	Performance		
Resistance to deterioration caused by physical, chemical and biological agents	Adequate resistance for the intended use under an appropriate use and maintenance		
Finishes and surface layers	Stair components made of solid wood can be coated with varnish on all sides or they are oiled		



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# 4 Assessment and verification of constancy of performance (AVCP) system applied, with reference to its legal base

According to Decision of the Commission of 3 February 1999 (99/89/EC) (OJ L 029 of 25.01.1999, p. 34-37) the system of assessment and verification of constancy of performance (see Annex V and Article 65 Paragraph 2 to Regulation (EU) No 305/2011) given in the following table applies.

Product	Intended use	Level or class	System
Prefabricated stair kits	For dwellings and other buildings	-	2+

Additional according to Decision of the Commission of 8 January 2001 (2001/596/EC) (OJ L 209 of 02.08.2001, p. 33-42) the system of assessment and verification of constancy of performance (see Annex V and Article 65 Paragraph 2 to Regulation (EU) No 305/2011) given in the following table applies.

Product	Intended use	Level or class	System
Prefabricated stair kits	For uses subject to regulations on reaction to fire	According to Annex A4	4

# 5 Technical details necessary for the implementation of the AVCP system, as provided for in the applicable European Assessment Document

Technical details necessary for the implementation of the AVCP system are laid down in the control plan deposited at Deutsches Institut für Bautechnik.

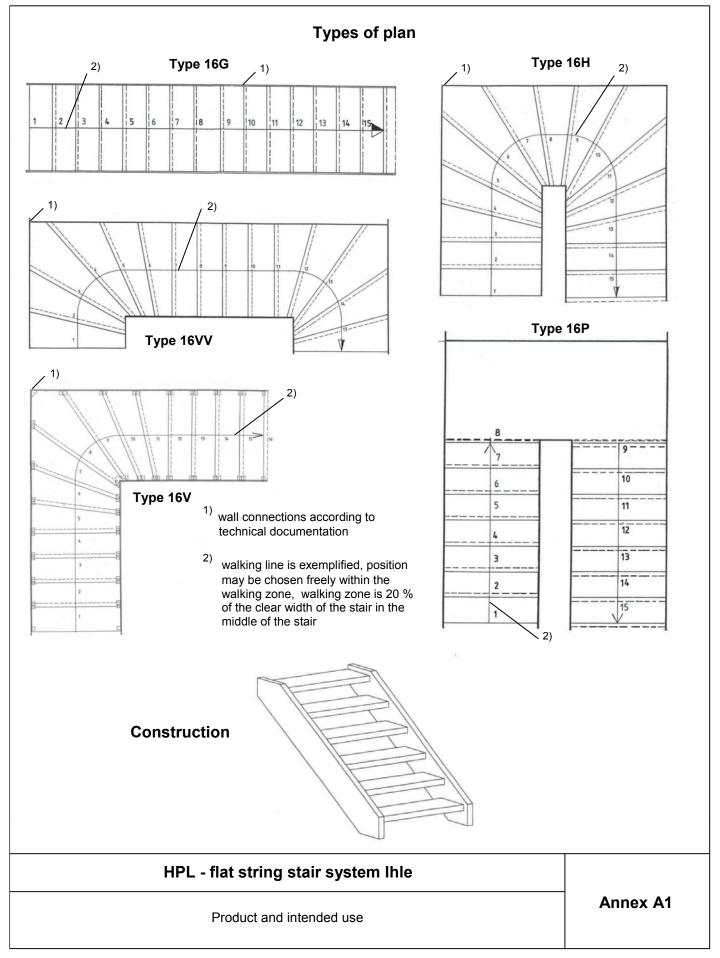
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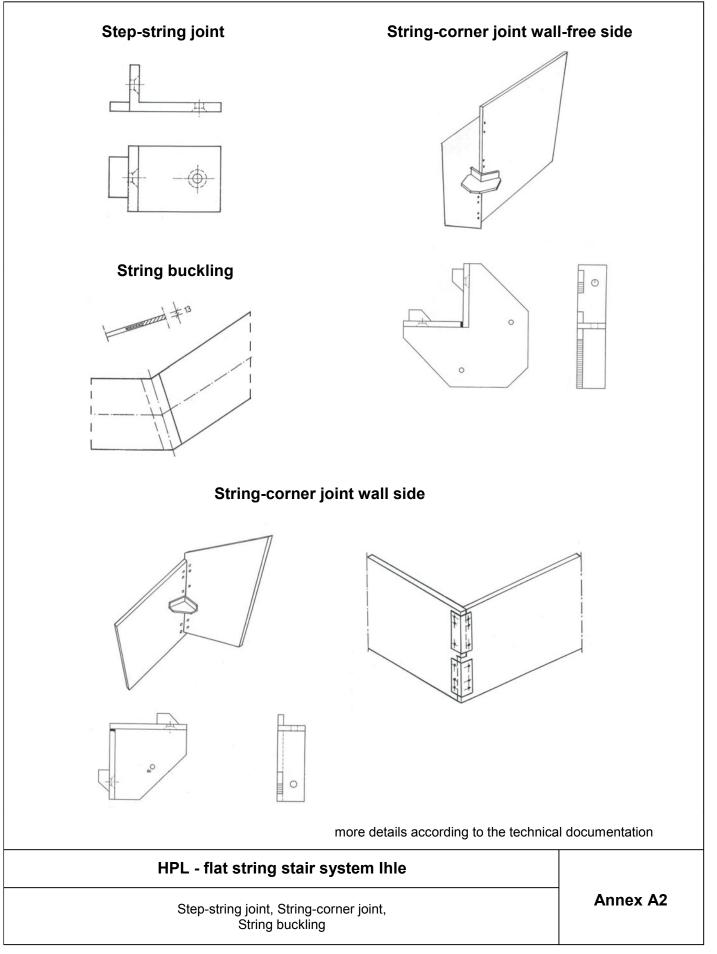
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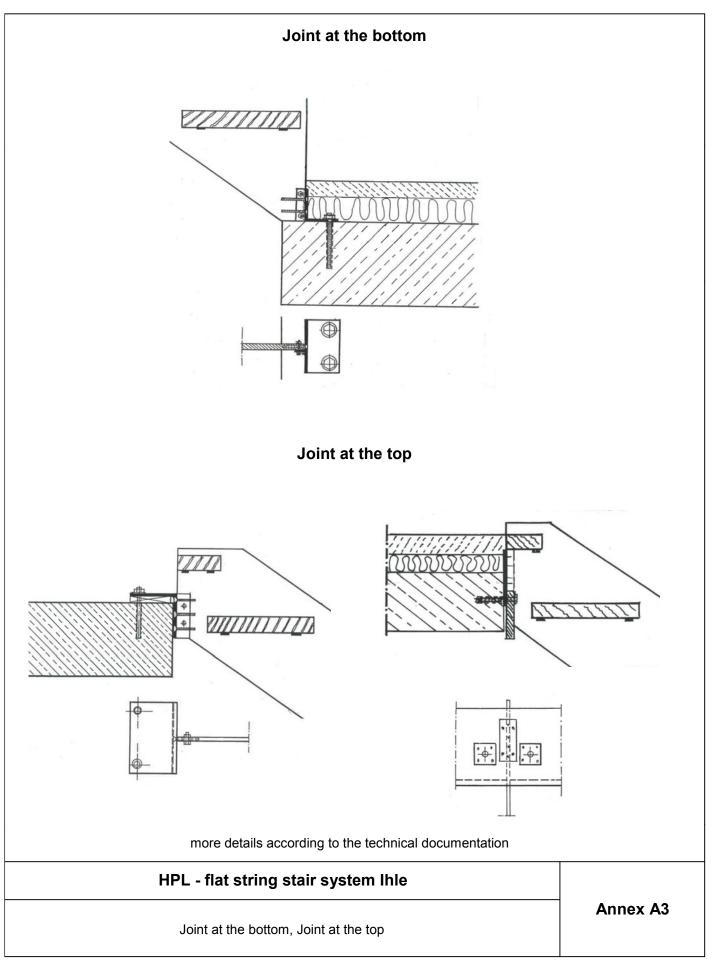




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### Table 1: Minimum dimensions of relevant stair components and reaction to fire

Component	Material <sup>1)</sup>	Dimension		Value	Reaction to fire
Steps	Solid wood <sup>2)</sup>	thickness [mm]		44	D-s2, d0 (2003/593/EC) <sup>3)</sup>
Strings	High-pressure laminate HPL	thickness / height	[mm]	13 / 300	D-s2, d0 (2003/593/EC) <sup>3)</sup>
Angle Joint	Steel	_ 4)			A1 (96/603/EC) <sup>3)</sup>
System fastener	Steel	- 4)			A1 (96/603/EC) <sup>3)</sup>

<sup>1)</sup> Characteristic values of material according to technical documentation

<sup>2)</sup> Only hardwood of the following species: beech, oak, maple, acacia

- <sup>3)</sup> According to the decisions of European Commission
- <sup>4)</sup> Characteristic values according to technical documentation

Minimum dimensions of relevant stair components and reaction to fire

Annex A4

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### Specification of intended use (Part 1)

#### Intended use:

- European Technical Assessment applies for a construction system.
- For the specific case of use the corresponding type of stair is manufactured within the context of the values defined in this European Technical Assessment.
- Values of this ETA apply to all types of stairs, the real dimensions follow in accordance with the relevant case of use.

### Stair subject to:

Static and quasi static loads

### Use conditions:

- Indoor stair
- Air temperatures between +5 °C and +30 °C
- Relative air humidity between 30% and 70%
- To the individual requirements handrail and barrier can be attached to the stair optionally. Conditions for possible handrail/barrier:

Dead load  $\leq$  0.15 kN/m Height  $\leq$  1.00 m Distance of baluster  $\leq$  0.85 m

#### Design:

- Design of the stair according to the annexes and the technical documentation of this European Technical Assessment.
- Fastening of the stair to the construction works according to the annexes and the technical documentation of this Technical European Assessment.
- Verification of the transmission of loads to the construction works by the civil engineer responsible for the construction works.
- Load bearing capacity at ultimate limit state:

$q_{k}\cdot\gamma_{Q}$	≤	q <sub>Rk</sub> / γ <sub>M</sub>
$\mathbf{Q}_{k}\cdot\gamma_{Q}$	≤	$Q_{Rk}$ / $\gamma_M$
$h_k \cdot \gamma_Q \cdot \psi_0$	≤	$h_{Rk}$ / $\gamma_M$

with

q <sub>Rk</sub> , Q <sub>Rk</sub> , h <sub>Rk:</sub>	characteristic values of	f resistance; see	Table 3

γ <sub>M</sub> :	recommended material partial safety factor; see Table 3
q <sub>k</sub> , Q <sub>k</sub> , h <sub>k</sub> :	characteristic values of imposed loads according to EN 1991-1-1:2010-12
γ <sub>Q</sub> = 1.5:	recommended partial safety factor, in absence of other national regulations

- $\psi_0 = 0.7$ : recommended combination factor, in absence of other national regulations
- Maximum characteristic values of imposed loads under consideration of the partial factors mentioned above; see Table 5

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Specification of intended use (Part 1)

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### Specification of intended use (Part 2)

#### Installation:

- Installation by personal appropriately trained and authorized by the holder of the approval by means of the technical documentation of this European Technical Assessment
- Installation only in the way as specified in the technical documentation of this European Technical Assessment
- Installation of timber components when moisture content of timber components is 8  $\pm$  2 %
- Sufficient support of the stair when assembling
- Installation of stair components without imposed deformations
- Installation of stair components without significant defects and cracks
- Replacing of stair components, which begin tearing when assembling
- Bolted connection are protected such that they will not be loosened by vibrations

#### Indication of the manufacturer:

- Ensure that all persons involved will be appropriately informed about the specific conditions according to sections 1 and 2 (including the annexes to which reference is being made as well as the not confidential parts of the technical documentation deposited to this European Technical Assessment)
- Packaging of timber components such that the wood moisture is 8 ± 2 % during transport and storage
- Instructions for use should provide information as to use, maintenance and repair of the stair including the information of avoidance of moisture penetration of the timber components

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Specification of intended use (Part 2)

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### **Table 2: Geometry**

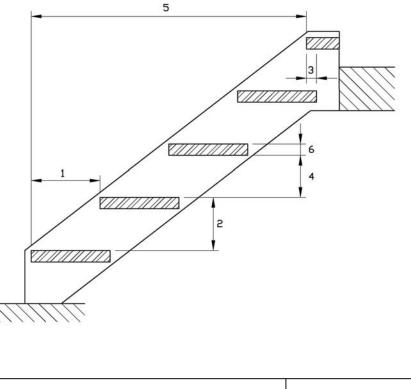
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Designation			Minimum	Maximum
Oning	Step on walking line 1)	[mm]	210	370 <sup>2)</sup>
Going	Tapered step	[mm]	100 <sup>2)3)</sup>	550 <sup>2) 4)</sup>
Rise of the stairs	s <sup>1)</sup>	[mm]	140 <sup>2)</sup>	210
Pitch of the walk	ing line <sup>1)</sup>	[°]	21	45
Overlap of the steps		[mm]	40	_ 5)
Number of rises		[-]	3	16
<b>a</b> .	Between stairs and wall	[mm]	- 5)	50
Openings	Between consecutive steps	[mm]	- 5)	166
Clear width of st	airs	[mm]	500	1000
Minimum headroom		[mm]	_ 5	i)
Length of the flight		[mm]	- 5)	4050
Thickness of steps		[mm]	44	_ 5)

<sup>1)</sup> values are constant within one flight

 $^{2)}$  tolerance between nominal value and actual value =  $\pm\,5$  mm

<sup>3)</sup> inside of tapered step

- <sup>4)</sup> outside of tapered step
- <sup>5)</sup> not relevant
  - 1 Going
  - 2 Rise
  - 3 Overlap
  - 4 Opening between consecutive steps
  - 5 Length of the flight
  - 6 Thickness of steps



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Geometry of the stair

Annex C1

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Table 3: Load-bearing capacity – Characteristic values of resistance			
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Type of loading	Characteristic values of resistance			γм
Vertical variable uniformly distributed load	q <sub>R,k</sub>	[kN/m²]	6,75	
Vertical variable single load	Q <sub>R,k</sub>	[kN]	4,5	1,5 <sup>1)</sup>
Horizontal variable uniformly distributed load on barrier	h <sub>R,k</sub>	[kN/m]	0,8	

1) Recommended partial safety factor, in absence of other national regulations

### **Table 4: Deflections under loading**

Deflections of the flight under uniformly distributed load						
Uniformly distributed load	q <sub>k</sub>	[kN/m²]	3,0			
Length of the median line of the flight	L	[mm]	4050			
Deflection related to the median line of flight	w	[-]	≤ L/200			
Deflection under single load						
Single load	Q <sub>k</sub>	[kN]	2,0			
Clear width of the stair	L	[mm]	1000			
Deflection related to the clear width of stair	w	[-]	≤ L/200			

### Table 5: Imposed loads

Type of loading	Imposed loads		
Vertical variable uniformly distributed load	q <sub>k</sub>	[kN/m²]	3,0
Vertical variable single load	Q <sub>k</sub>	[kN]	2,0
Horizontal variable uniformly distributed load on barrier	h <sub>k</sub>	[kN/m]	0,5

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Load-bearing capacity - Characteristic values of resistance Deflection under loading Imposed loads

Annex C2