

# System Review certificate

NHBC Services Ltd confirms that

**System owner:** Countryside Timber Frame Limited

**System name:** Vistry Works Hybrid

**System manual:** Hybrid Panel Manual Rev K (22.10.2025)

has been reviewed by the NHBC System Review team and as detailed in the System Manual can meet the NHBC Technical Requirements, subject to the exclusions and limitations listed in this certificate.

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## System description

Vistry Works Hybrid is a Category 2 closed panel timber frame system for external walls. It is constructed from C16 timber studs sized 140 x 38 mm at 600 mm centres. All timber components are UC2 treated for durability. Panels include 9 mm OSB sheathing to provide racking resistance. A breather membrane is installed to the external face. 115 mm glass mineral wool insulation is fitted between studs and an AVCL is applied to the internal face of panels and reveals.

Treated timber sole plates are supplied and installed by Vistry Works. The system is fire tested to a maximum panel height of 2.4 m and it is approved for residential use in England only. Suitable for houses up to three storeys, attached or detached. Structural design is project specific and based on site conditions. The declared service life of the system is 60 years. Steps, staggers, and balconies require independent or bespoke design. The system is assessed for use with masonry outer leaf façades only. Fire stopping and cavity detailing are the responsibility of the principal designer. The system acts solely as the loadbearing inner leaf of external walls.

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## Exclusions and limitations

Additional requirements must be met in order for a new home to qualify for Buildmark cover. Buildmark cover for new homes will only be issued to Builders or Developers in accordance with the latest version of the NHBC Rules (a copy of which can be found at [nhbc.co.uk](http://nhbc.co.uk)).

- Foundations, substructures, and ground floors are not part of the system.
- Internal services, internal finishes and fixtures are not part of the system.
- Roof structures and roof coverings are not part of the system.
- Intermediate floor cassettes are not part of the system.
- Gable wall and separating wall spandrel panels are not part of the system.
- Fire stopping and cavity barriers are to be specified on a project specific basis.
- Windows and doors are project specific.