

## Garage Base – Construction Guidelines

1. Base should be flat & level over foot print of garage / building.
2. A 3" towelled or floated edge to the base should be provided all the way around the base to ensure that there is a slight fall away from the foot print of the building, 3mm or 1/8<sup>th</sup> of an inch is ideal. This will encourage rain water to run away from the building.
3. The base should be at a slightly higher level to that of the surrounding area making sure that water cannot easily penetrate the new buildings walls.
4. The base should be only 3" larger than the external dimensions of the building. If the base is any larger than this water could sit on the base and this could lead to water penetration.
5. Where a ramp is added to the front of the base make sure this does not end up with a slightly higher level than that of the main base as this will encourage water to enter under the up and over door. The ramp should obviously always be sloping away at a lower level than that of the main base.
6. If an old existing base is to be used it is unlikely that it will comply with all of the above and consideration should be given to resurfacing the existing base in order that it does comply.