Kiwa BDA has been offering consultancy and testing to the building envelope construction product and system manufacturers for over 30 years. We also offer a Building Agrément service in the UK and Ireland.

We have satisfied the technical requirements of NHBC and LABC to ensure their acceptance of our independent third party equivalence to other Building Agrément suppliers. Third party testing, assessment and certification is crucial for most product and system manufacturers, to gain acceptance that their product satisfies the requirements of Building Regulations.

Whilst conformance to British Standards, possession of an ETA or the requirements of CE marking may help in proving the fitness of purpose under Approved Document Regulation 7, only the completeness of a Building Agrément gives that one-stop shop reassurance of information that clients, specifiers and building control officers are looking for.

Building Agrément covers product/system characteristics, installation details and compliance with codes of practice and building regulations – based on inspection, testing and assessment.

Kiwa BDA has been offering its’ BDA Building Agrément in the UK since 2009.

Chris Forshaw, Kiwa BDA Business Manager – “It is the very thoroughness of the procedure of inspection, testing and assessment that adds the value to the Building Agrément service. Factory Production Control is combined with a consultative and professional technical review to ensure the product or system is rigorously tested and assessed for fitness of purpose. This is often not an area of discretionary spend for a manufacturer, so it is critical that the service is delivered in a friendly and prompt manner to ensure the Agrément is ready as soon as possible to remove those ever present barriers to entry.”

Kiwa BDA Agrément® is designed to be clear and authoritative, so as to be accepted by local building control authorities and insurers alike.
Whether a client, specifier, manufacturer, installer or building control officer review the Agrément – together or in isolation – the quality of the Agrément satisfies all of their differing criteria for information in one easy to read common language.

Most recently DECLG (Department of Communities and Local Government) in Ireland have accepted that the Kiwa BDA Agrément® satisfies the requirements of Technical Guidance Document D3 (Fitness of Materials & Workmanship) and that “In order to demonstrate compliance with Irish Building Regulations...certification schemes should certify that the material complies with the requirements of a recognised document and indicates it is suitable for its intended purpose and use and refer explicitly to the relevant parts of the Irish Building Regulations explaining how compliance is achieved.”

We are pleased to be able to offer that reassurance now in both the UK and Ireland.

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