

# F19 Knauf Integral *GIFAfloor* self supporting systems

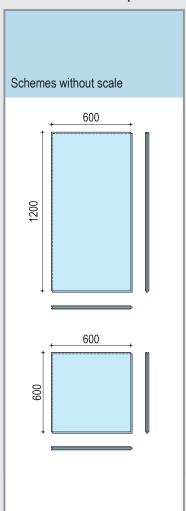
F191 – Knauf Integral GIFAfloor LBS
linear bearing systems single-layer

F192 – Knauf Integral GIFAfloor LBSplus linear bearing systems double-layer

Technical data



### **GIFAfloor standardized panels**



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Technical da	Sizes Panel net size	Thickness	Weights (Density ≥ 1 Panel	500 kg/m³)	Material number	Package- unit	
CE marking	mm	mm	c. kg/Stk.	c. kg/m <sup>2</sup>		pcs./palett	
<b>FHB 25</b> GF-W1DIR1/1	600x600	25	27.0 13.5	37.5 37.5	31256 63565	35 pcs./pal. 70 pcs./pal.	
GF-W1DIR1/6	00/600/25-01	/NF					
<b>FHB 28</b> GF-W1DIR1/1	1200x600 200/600/28-C	28 1/NF	30.2	42.0	31545	30 pcs./pal.	
GF-W1DIR1/6	600x600 600/600/28-C1	28 /NF	15.1	42.0	50980	60 pcs./pal.	
<b>FHB 32</b> GF-W1DIR1/1	1200x600 200/600/32-C 600x600	32 :1/NF 32	34.6 17.3	48.0 48.0	31326 31559	25 pcs./pal. 50 pcs./pal.	
GF-W1DIR1/6	600/600/32-C1	/NF					
<b>FHB 38</b> GF-W1DIR1/1	1200x600 200/600/38-C	38 :1/NF	41.2	57.0	88635	20 pcs./pal.	
GF-W1DIR1/6	600x600 600/600/38-C1	38 /NF	20.6	57.0	88636	40 pcs./pal.	
To increase t	•		ise of of dama	ageable floor	coverings	to be put	
<b>LEP 13</b> GF-W1DIR1/1	1200x600 200/600/13-C	13 :1/SF	14.1	19.5	30503	70 pcs./pal.	
<b>LEP 18</b> GF-W1DIR1/1	1200x600 200/600/18-C	18 :1/SF	19.5	27.0	99258	50 pcs./pal.	

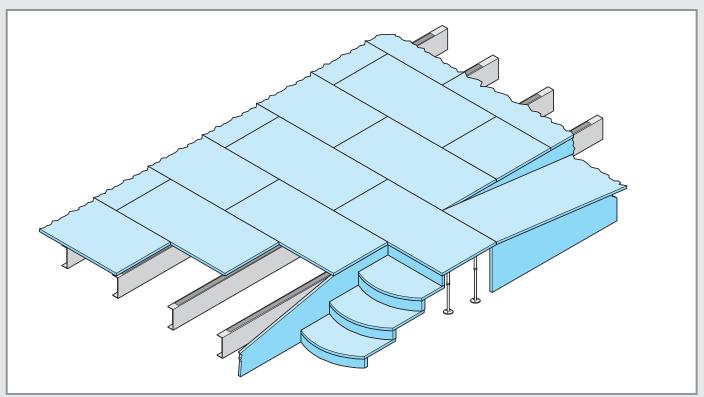
### **Building physical material values**

	GIFAfloor FHB / GIFAfloor LEP	Unit
Fire protection Building material class according to EN 13501-1 Building material class according to DIN 4102-1  Hygrothermal values Conductivity of heat $\lambda_R$ For floor heating systems $\lambda_{10}$ Value of vapour diffusion resistance $\mu$ . Specific heat capacity c Thermal extension coeffizient $\alpha$ Expansion / shrinkage by rise / drop in temperature Expansion / shrinkage by changing the rel. air humidity on 30% at 20°C Hygrothermal installation conditions (stationary) Hygrothermal usage conditions (stationary) surface water absorption capacity acc. to EN20535 (acc. Kopp) Value of vapour diffusion resistancel $\mu$ of the optional factory-made lamination of aluminum foil on the base side	A1 A2  0.44 0.30 30 / 50 >1000 12.9*10-6 ≤0.02 0.6 +10° to +35°C -10° to +35°C <300 9.6x10-6	non-combustible non-combustible  W/(mK) W/(mK) - J/(kgK) 1/K mm/(mK) mm/m c. 45-75% r.h. c. 35-75% r.h. g/m² practically vapour-tight
other Surface hardness according to Brinell Pull off bond strength Surfaces with transport protecting primer to bond dust and for reduction of water absorption capacity	≥ 40 ≥ 1.0	N/mm² N/mm²

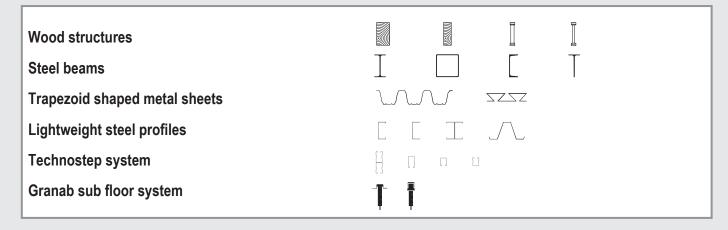
Construction



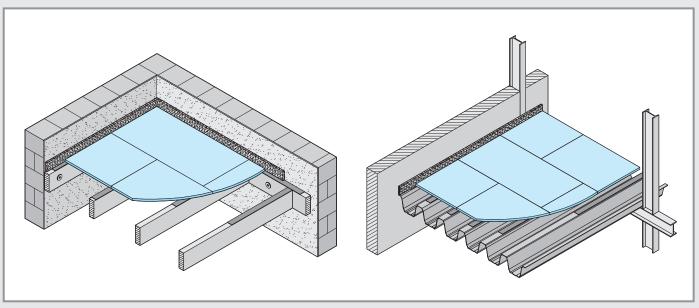
### Combination of varying constructions



### **Examples of bearing structures**



### Positioning of the front side edges of the GIFAfloor panels on the bearing structure



Statics basics



No.	Utilization	Jtilization Examples		Standardized panel- thickness** mm
1	Without classification	Miter sills, non-passable	n/a	25
2	Cock lofts	Attics, not for residential usage but passable, clear dimension less than 1.80m	1.0	25
3	Housing and residential rooms	Rooms and corridors in residential buildings, bedrooms in hospitals, hotel rooms including kitchens and bathrooms belonging to them	1.0	25
4	Offices, working areas, corridors	Corridors in office buildings, offices, practices, ward rooms including corridors belonging to them	2.0	25
5	Offices, working areas, corridors	Corridors in hospitals, hotels, old people's homes, boarding schools etc., kitchens and ward rooms including operating theatres without heavy-load equipment	3.0	25
6	Offices, working areas, corridors  See no. 5, but including heavy-load equipment		4.0	28
7	Assembly rooms and areas to convene Areas with tables, e.g. rooms in schools, cafes, restaurants, dining rooms / halls, reading rooms, receptions		4.0	28
8	Assembly rooms and areas to convene	Floors with fixed chairs. e.g. churches. theatres or cinemas. congress halls. lecture halls. assembly rooms, waiting rooms	4.0	28
9	Assembly rooms and areas to convene Free passable floors, e.g. in museums, exhibition areas, entry areas of public buildings and hotels		4.0	28
10	Assembly rooms and areas to convene  Dancing halls, gymnastic rooms and stages		7.0	32+18
11	Assembly rooms and areas to convene	Areas for big assemblings e.g. concert halls, terrasses and entry areas, grandstands with fixed chairs	4.0	28
12	Salesrooms	Floors of stores with less than 50m² selling area inside of residental or office buildings	2.0	25
13	Salesrooms	Floors of retail shops and department stores	4.0	28
14	Salesrooms			32+18
15	Factories, workshops and activities and warehouses		4.0	28
16	Factories, workshops and and warehouses	Floors of warehouses and libraries	7.0	32+18
	abor loods for the project are n	* Proof acc to FN 13213	** Francis for the confid	of the hearing construct

If higher loads for the project are planned, so those have to be observed for the statical dimensioning of the GIFAfloor system strictly.

<sup>\*</sup> Proof acc. to EN 13213

<sup>\*\*</sup> Example for the grid of the bearing construction of 600mm, without transverse joints, with edge supports with a grid ≤300mm

Characteristic static values



### Allowable bearing capacities (working load in kN) for linear bearing structures\*

Thickn [mm]	ess Row	≤300	≤400	Bear <b>≤500</b>	ring distan <b>≤600</b>	ce [mm]** ≤ <b>700</b>	≤800	≤900	≤1000	≤1100	≤1200
single	single-layer systems										
25	edge panel*** area panel	4 4	3 3.5	2.5 3	2	1 3	1 2	0.7 2	0.7 1	0.5 1	0.5 1
28	edge panel*** area panel	5 5	3.5 4.5	2.5 4	2 4	2 4	1 3	1 3	1 2	0.7 2	0.7 2
32	edge panel*** area panel	6 6	4.5 5.5	3.5 5	3 5	3 5	2 4	2 4	2 3	1 3	1 2
38	edge panel***	6	5	4.5	4	3.5	3	2.5	2	1.5	1.2
	area panel	7	7	7	6	6	6	5	4	3.5	2.5
double	e-layer systems*	***									
25+13	edge panel***	4.5	4	3.5	3.5	3	3	2.5	2	1.5	1.2
	area panel	5	5	5	5	5	4.5	4.5	4	3.5	3
25+18	edge panel***	5	4.5	4	4	3	3	2.5	2	1.8	1.7
	area panel	6	5.5	5.5	5.5	5	5	4.5	4	3.5	3
28+13	edge panel***	5.5	5	4.5	4	3.5	3	3	2.3	1.7	1.5
	area panel	7	7	7	7	6.5	6	5.5	4.5	4	3.5
28+18	edge panel***	6	5	4.5	4.5	3.5	3	3	2.5	2	1.8
	area panel	7.5	7	7	7	7	6	5.5	4.5	4	3.5
32+13	edge panel***	6.5	6	5.5	5	4.5	3.5	3	2.5	2	1.8
	area panel	8	8	8	8	8	7	6	5	4.5	4
32+18	edge panel***	7	6.5	5.5	5	4.5	3.5	3	3	2.5	2
	area panel	10	9	9	9	8	7	6	5	4.5	4

<sup>\*</sup> The working loads are valid for panels (first layer) without transverse joints (joints parallel to the linear bearing structure) in the zone between the bearing structure. That means joints have to be located on area of support. The values have to be reduced by 50% if there are joints in the zone between the bearing structure.

Je nach konstruktivem Aufbau sind Konstruktionen mit Brandschutz bis F90 möglich.

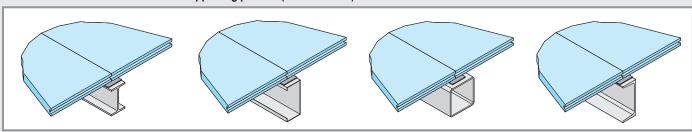
### Load classes of hollow floors acc. to EN 13213

Load class	1	2	3	4	5	6
Breaking load	≥4	≥6	≥8	≥9	≥10	≥12
Safety factor	2	2	2	2	2	2

The EN 13213 hollow floors defines the test procedures and classifications of hollow floor systems. Area loads should not be taken as criterion, only the point load is the determining factor.

Test by an intendor 25x25mm (simulation of a point load) until fail of the panel at specimens weakest position.

### Joints to be located on center of the supporting profiles (width ≥60mm)



<sup>\*\*</sup> It is prohibited to install two successive transverse joints in the FHB panels row within one field between two beams.

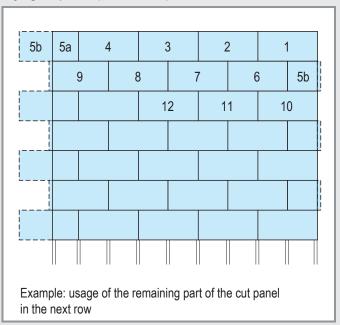
<sup>\*\*\*</sup> If the support spacing at the edges is ≤ 300 mm or if there is a linear bearing structure at the edge the working loads of the area panels could be used. (see example bottom page 8).

<sup>\*\*\*\*</sup> If the second layer of panels is weaken by milling, so the load bearing capacity of "the bottom layer solely" is valid.

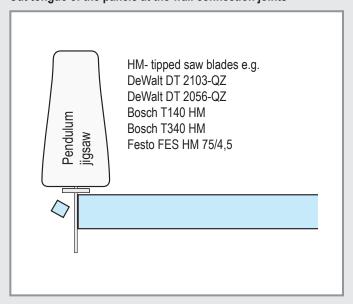
### Application and processing



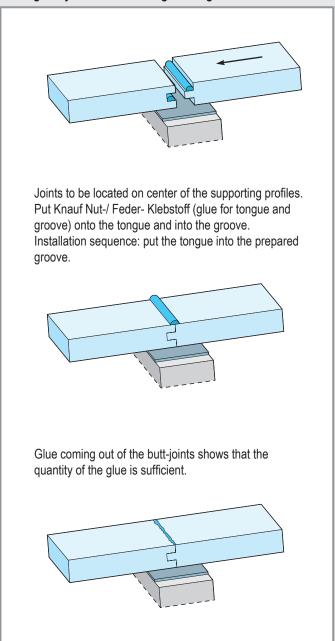
### Laying the panels (wihout scale)



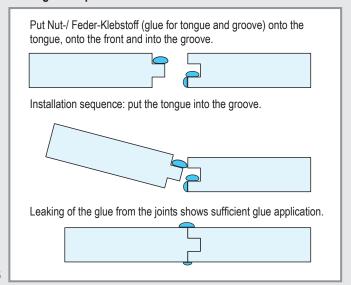
### Cut tongue of the panels at the wall connection joints



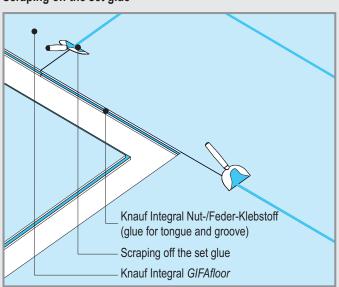
### Glueing and junction of the tongue and groove



### Glueing of the panels



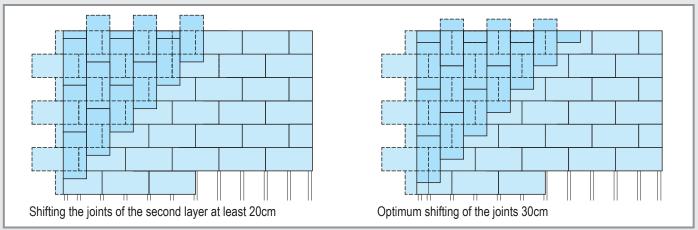
### Scraping off the set glue



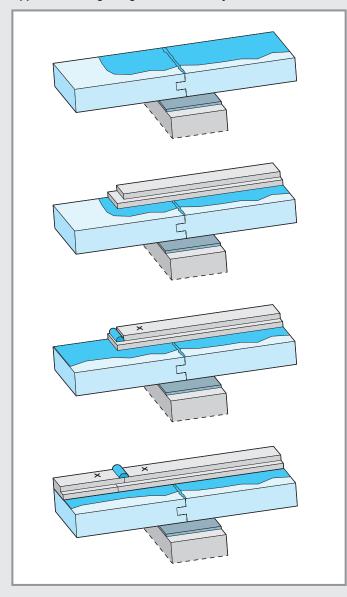
### Application and processing of the second layer



### Laying the panels of the second layer turned 90° to the first layer (wihout scale)



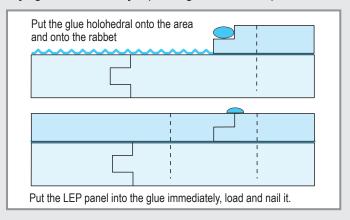
### Application and glueing of the second layer



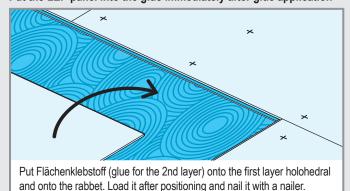
### Section of the notched blade TKB B3 (scale 1:1)



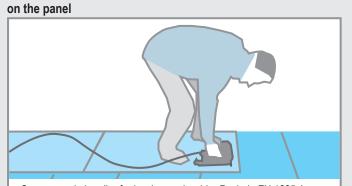
### Laying of the second layer (drawings without scale)



### Put the LEP panel into the glue immediately after glue application



# Fixing with compressed air / impulse nailer while standing

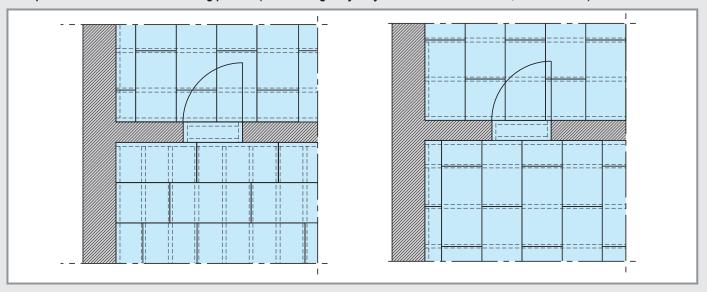


Compressed air nailer for brads: e.g. bradder Paslode FN 1665.1 (operation air pressure: 8.0 bar); brads e.g. Paslode F16x29 or Haubold SKN 16/30 C NK or SKN 16/25 C NK; gas impulse nailer: e.g. ITW impulse nailer IM65F 16 B-pack 19-64mm; brads e.g. pack F16-25mm (fuelcells + galv. brads)

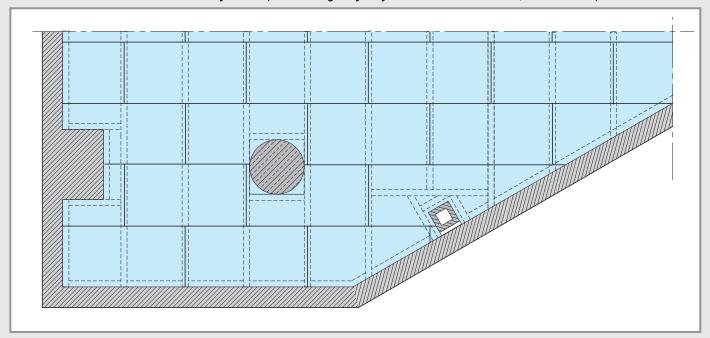
**Bearing structures** 



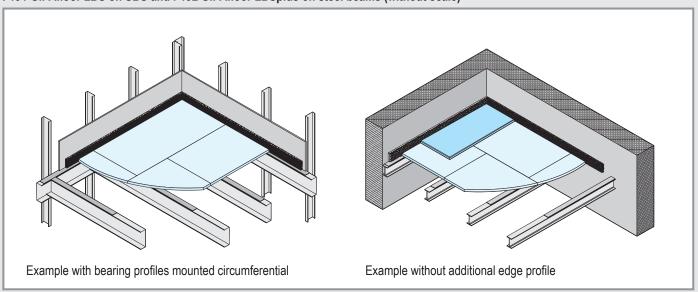
Examples for structures of load bearing profiles (shown: single-layer system F191 GIFAfloor LBS; without scale)



Insertion of trimmer beams and boundary beams (shown: single-layer system F191 GIFAfloor LBS; without scale)



F191 GIFAfloor LBS on SBS and F192 GIFAfloor LBSplus on steel beams (without scale)



Requirements of material and environmental features



### Requirements of material

Material	MatNo.	Unit	required quantity*			
Knauf Integral support insulation stripe	91287	100m / carton (= 5 rolls)	as required			
Knauf Integral edge insulation stripes for GIFAfloor floor systems	109147	50 pcs. / carton	as required			
Knauf Integral foam insulation stripe self-adhesive sk	74339	5x10 rolls / bag 20 bags / carton	as required			
GIFAfloor panel FHB 1200x600mm	see table p.2		c. 1,39 pc. / m <sup>2</sup>			
GIFAfloor panel FHB 600x600mm	see table S.2		as required			
GIFAfloor panels LEP 13	30503	see table p.2	as required			
GIFAfloor panels LEP 18	99258	see table p.2	as required			
GIFAtec large-sized gypsum fibre panels	see table Knauf Inte TI GIFAtec page 2 o	gral technical information sheet r on request	as required			
Knauf Integral Nut- / Feder-Klebstoff (glue for tongue and groove)	141974	20 pcs. tubular bags à 600ml (~900g) / carton	F191 c. 82m²/carton F192 c. 54m²/carton + glue for 2nd layer			
Knauf Integral application gun for film tubes (tubular bags)	4675	рс.	as required			
Knauf Integral Flächenklebstoff (glue for the second layer)	141975	15kg-pail	c. 600g/m²			
Coloquick spreader	4696	pc.	as required			
Notched blades TKB B3 double sided for Coloquick spreader	4697	12 pcs. / pack	as required			
Knauf floor screed primer F431	5355	10kg-pail	c. 200g/m²			
* Specification refers to a room dimension of 10x10m. Different room dimensions may cause different quantities.						





### **Certificate**

#### **GIFAfloor** Knauf Integral KG

The emissions were tested according to the AgBB-scheme and guidelines of the DIBI (AgBB - Committee for Health-related Evaluation of Building Products. DIBI - German Institute for Building Technology). Sampling, testing and evaluation were performed according to EN 13419-1. EN 13419-3. ISO 16000-3. ISO 16000-5. ISO 16000-1. ISO 16000-1. IsO 16001-7. In the latest versions, see the test report no. 211019-71-181.

- Evaluation of the test result according to AgBB guidelines:

  Carcinogeric substances were not detectable after 3 and after 28 days.

  The sum of VOC ("TVOC") after 3 days was below the limit of 10.000 µg/m².

  The sum of VOC ("TVOC") after 28 days was below the limit of 1.000 µg/m².

- The sum of SVOC after 28 day was below the limit of 100 µg/m².

  After 28 days the value R was calculated from the detected VOC with single concentrations above 5µg/m². This value R was below the limit of 1.
- The sum of VOC without LCI-value after 28 days was below the limit of 100 µg/m<sup>2</sup>
- Formaldehyde after 28 days was below the limit of 120 µg/m³.

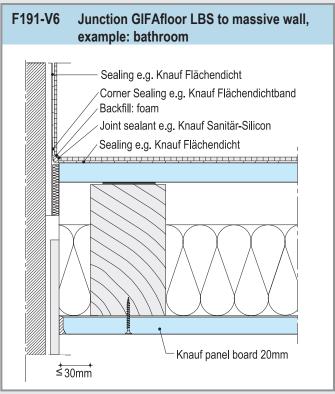
The tested product is suitable for indoor application, according to the AgBB guide line (version July 2004).

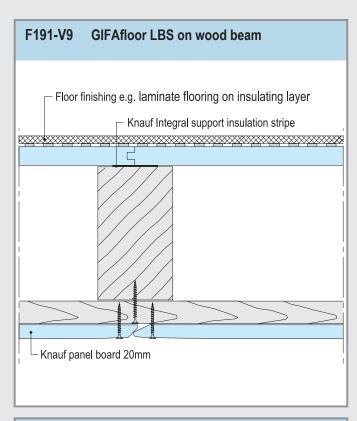


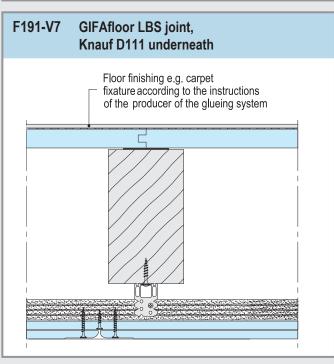
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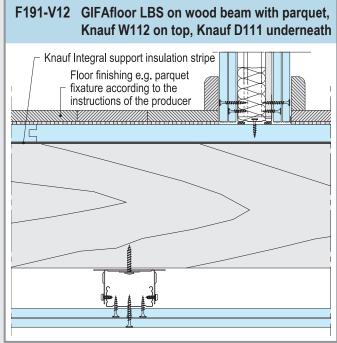
Vertical sections single-layer system (shown: GIFAfloor FHB25, scale 1:5)

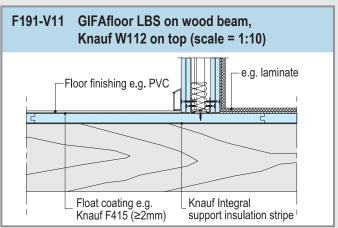


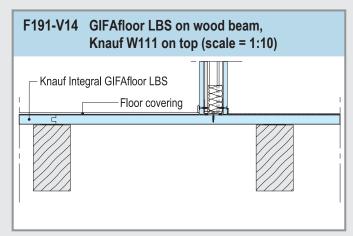






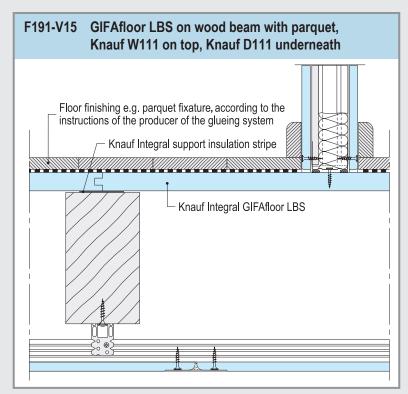


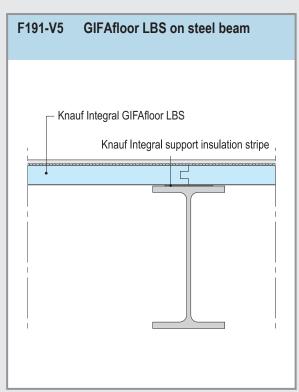


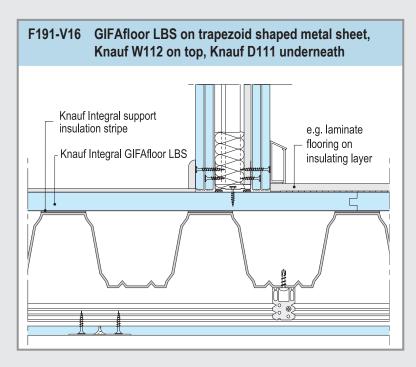


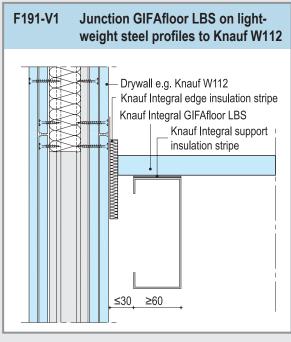
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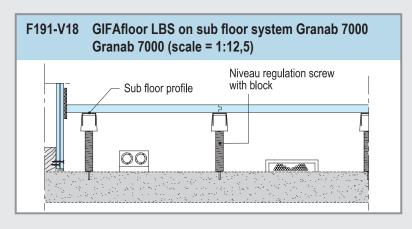


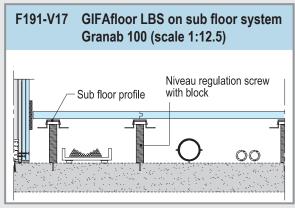






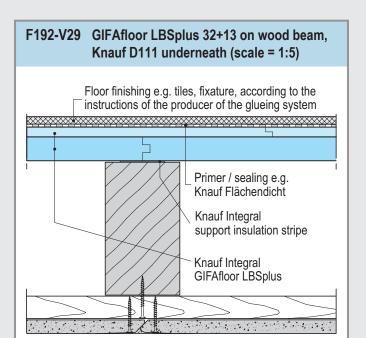


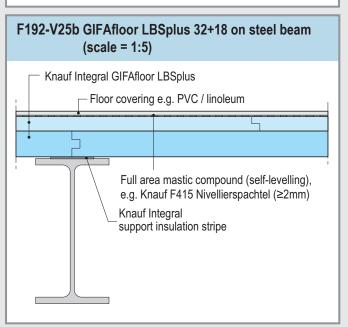


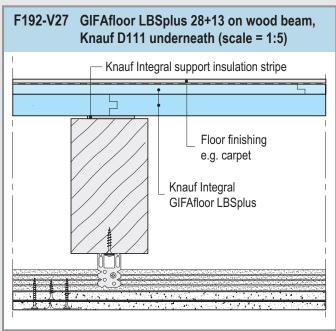


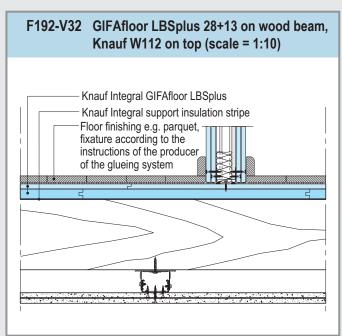
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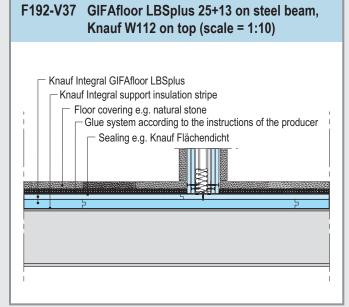


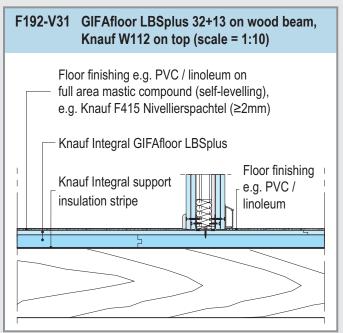






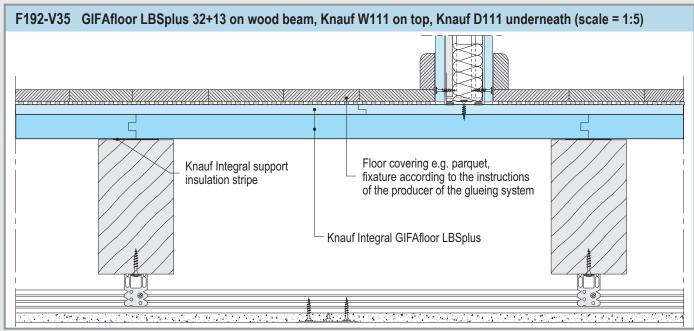


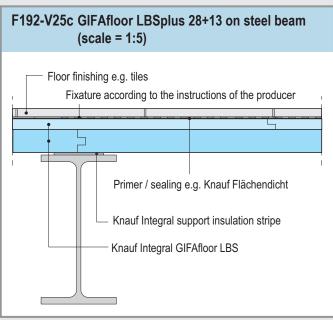


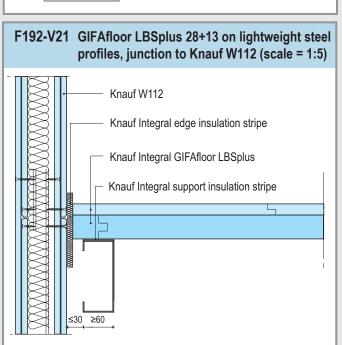


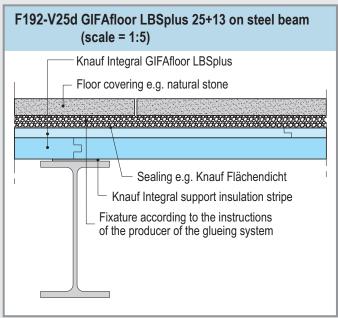
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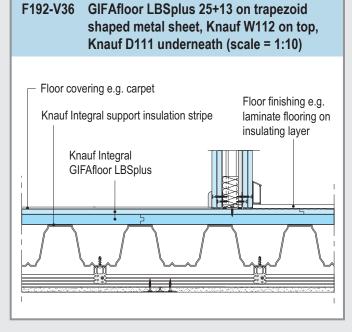






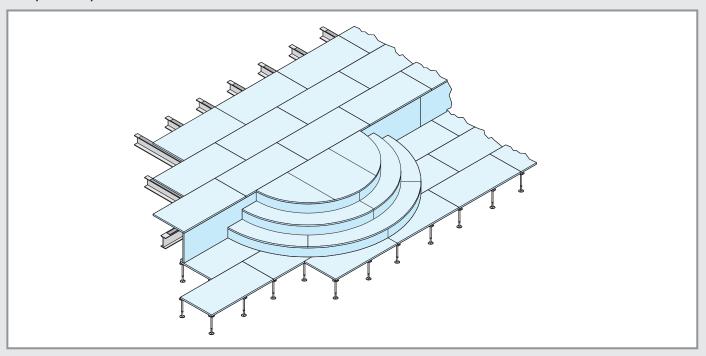




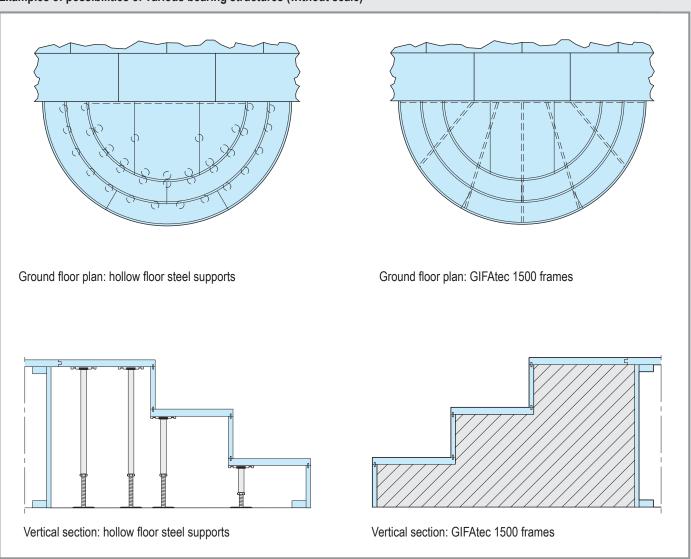




### Example: stairs put on GIFAfloor FHB F181



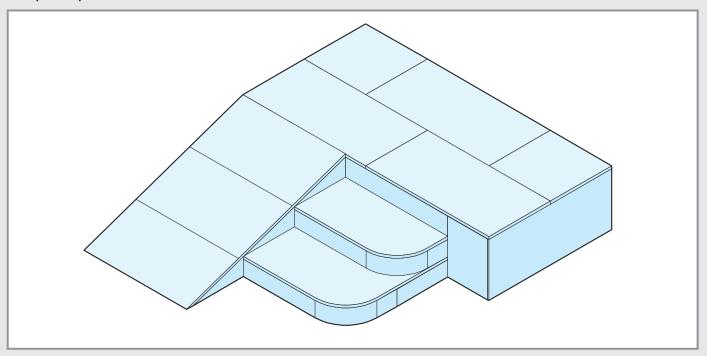
### Examples of possibilities of various bearing structures (without scale)



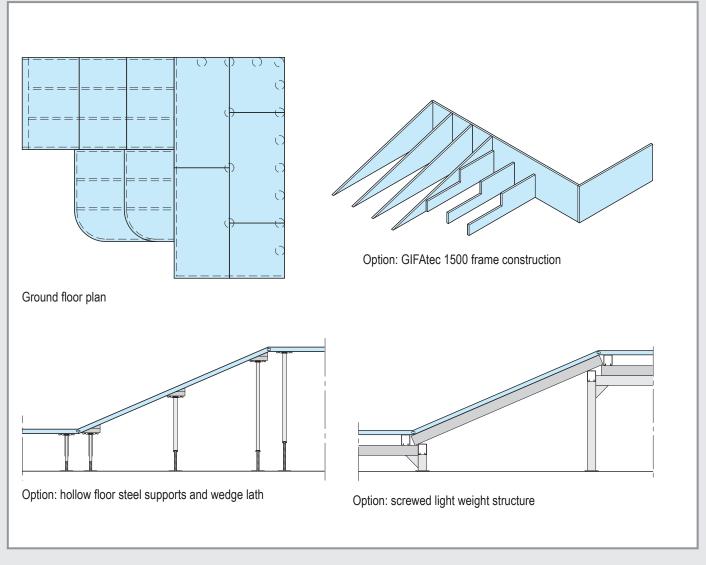
### Examples for constructions of ramps and stairs



### Example: ramp / stair combination



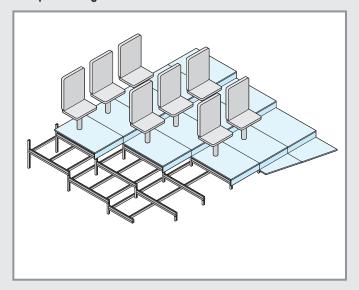
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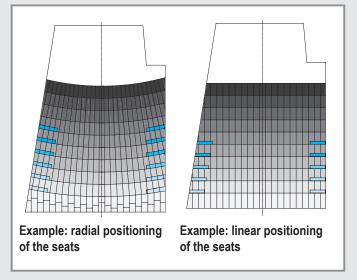


### Example movie theatre / auditorium

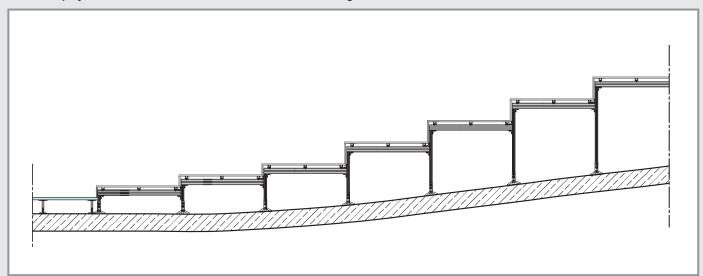


### Seat positioning in a movie theatre / auditorium

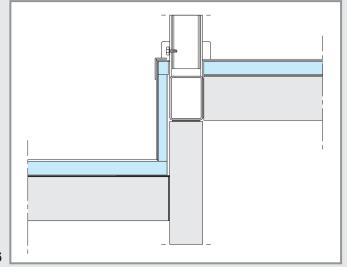




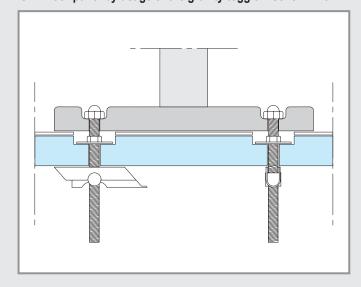
### Technostep system in the transition area of a horizontal to a rising conrete slab



### Example: fixature of an auditorium table to a welded structure



Example: fixature of a cinema chair from top side directly to the GIFAfloor panel by usage of the gravity toggle Fischer KD 8



**Specifications** 



Pos.	Description	Quantity	/ Unit price	Total price
	Floor system/ramp system Knauf Integral GIFA or equivalent, supported by built in situ accuratly made by GIFatec 1500, wood, iron beams, meta Knauf Integral support insulation stripes fixed layer GIFAfloor FHB panels put as a floating sy Panels' connection by glued tongue and groove big plates beeing ready for floor covering. Position of the area of the supporting structures preferable of the system.  Alternative: Small ramps could be fixed to prefat frames.  Technical demands:	r levelled linear bearing structure all profiles or trapezodial sheet metal*, consider on the supporting structure and one restem on them.  System with staggered joints to get on the front edge joints in the middle lay to raise the load bearing capacity	ists of	
	Producer: Type: Size of the panels: Thickness / density: Working load:	Knauf Integral F191 GIFAfloor LBS 25/28/32/38* 1200x600mm t&g / 600x600mm t & g mm / 1500kg/m³ N acc. EN 13213		
	Building material class: Structural module of the supports: Trimmers / additional footing in the e Type of floor covering: Furnish and install		n <sup>2</sup> €	€
	Floor system/ramp system Knauf Integral GIFAf or equivalent, supported by built in situ accuratly made by wood, iron beams or metal profiles also Knauf Integral support insulation stripes fixed layer GIFAfloor FHB panels put as a floating sy first layer by glued tongue and groove system we Position the front edge joints of the first layer in the structures preferably to raise the load bearing can The GIFAfloor LEP panels of the second layer joints glued holohedral and on the rabbet to the They are fixed immediately after positioning by a Alternative: Small ramps could be fixed to prefat	r levelled linear bearing structure of trapezodial sheet metal, consists of d on the supporting structure and the first restem on them. Panels' connection of the lith staggered joints to get big plates, the middle of the area of the supporting apacity of the system.  are laid turned 90°, with shifted first layer.  air compression/impulse nailing.		
	frames.  Technical demands:  Producer:  Type:  Size of the panels of 1st layer::  Thickness / density:  Size of the panels of 2nd layer::  Thickness / density:  Working load:  Building material class:  Structural module of the supports:  Trimmers / additional footing in the etalogy.  Type of floor covering:  Furnish and install		0	-13; 32+18; 38+18* €

Specifications



Pos.	Description		Quantity	Unit price	Total price				
	Stair system Knauf Integral GIFAfloor LBS F191/GIFAfloor LBSplus F192* or equivalent, supported by built in situ accuratly levelled linear bearing structure made by GIFAfloor 1500, wood, iron beams or metal profiles also trapezodial sheet metal, consists of Knauf Integral support insulation stripes fixed on the supporting structure and one layer GIFAfloor FHB panels put as tread and prefabricated GIFAtec 1500 as risers on them or consists of steel supports as bearing parts. Alternative: frames made of GIFAtec 1500 with GIFAfloor FHB treads and GIFAtec 1500 risers glued on it. Panels' connection by glued tongue and groove system with staggered joints. Fixing of the risers could also be done e.g. with GIFAtec 1500 stripes as bearing pads. Only for F192: The GIFAfloor LEP panels of the second layer are laid tuned 90°, with shifted joints glued holohedral and on the rabbet to the first layer. They are fixed immediately after positioning by air compression / impulse nailing. Technical demands:								
	Producer:	Knauf Integral							
	Type:	GIFAfloor LBS F191 25/28/32							
	Standardized size of the panels: Thickness / density: Working load: Building material class: Type of floor covering:	GIFAfloor LBSplus F192 25+ 1200x600mm t&g (re) / 600x60mm (+mm) / 150N acc. EN 13213 A1 acc. EN 13501-1	00mm t&g	28+13; 28+18; 32+	+13; 32+18; 38+18				
	Furnish and install		m²	€	€				
	Extra charge Installation of Knauf Integral edge insulation st stripe* to seperate the GIFAfloor from surround Furnish and install	ding building parts.		€	€				
	Extra charge Installation of construction / separation / expan required additional supporting parts, footings o								
	Furnish and install			6	6				
	Furnish and install		III	€	€				
	Extra charge Making round / rectangular* cut-outs of the GIF 305mm diameter / edge length* including the re footings or trimmers.  Furnish and install	equired additional supporting part		€	€				
	Extra charge Making round / rectangular* cut-outs of the GIF 305mm diameter / edge length* suitable for e.g to be installed by special contractors).		ed,						
	Furnish and install		Stk	€	€				
* car	cel non-applicable items	1	t&g = tongu	e and groove re =	rabett edges				

#### Construction and installation



#### Construction

Knauf Integral GIFAfloor panels are made of Knauf Integral GIFAtec 1500 gypsum fibre material in standardized thicknesses of 25, 28, 32 or 38mm. The size of the panels is 1200x600mm with tongue and groove edges to be stuck with Knauf Integral Nut-/ Feder- Klebstoff (glue for tongue and groove).

The GIFAfloor panels are laid floating on a suitable load bearing structure.

GIFAtec 1500 large-sized panels for special forms, frames and risers are produced in the size of 2560x1260mm. They are available in different thickness on request (see also: technical information sheet TI GIFAtec).

The system is suitable for floor heating and cooling systems.

In the cavity all mechanical services could be installed.

Drywalls could be mounted at any place on the GIFAfloor LBS systems while observing the load limits.

### Grounding

The supporting structure has to take at least the ultimate loads of the GIFAfloor system. The structure has to be nivelled exactly to be a flat evenly level. The deflection should be  $\leq$  I/500 for maximum working load.

If steel supports or frames of GIFAtec1500 material are used the raw floor has to be swept and vacuum cleaned thoroughly and to be primed with e.g. Knauf Estrichgrund F 431. Herefor the ground must be dry and solid and free of seperating agents like e.g. bitumen, oil or colours.

If the GIFAtec 1500 frames are fixed to the GIFAfloor it's not obligatory to prime the raw floor. Control joints of the structure of the building have to be placed at the same position of the GIFAfloor.

#### Installing

Put edge insulation stripes or foam insulation stripes self-adhesive at the connecting building parts.

All edge areas of the GIFAfloor have to be supported by additional footing or trimmers to reach it's full load-bearing capacity.

Fix the support insulation stripe on the bearing profiles. The GIFAfloor could be fixed to the GIFAtec1500 frame construction if this is free-standing on a load bearing ground.

Cut at least both tongues of the first panel, put it onto the prepared structure and press against the edge insulation stripes.

Cutting of the GIFAfloor panels with e.g. circular saw with a diamond-tipped saw blade and dust exhaustion system or with e.g. a pendulum jigsaw / assembly band saw with a HM-tipped saw blade.

Cut the tongue of the second and the following panels of the first row.

Put Nut- / Feder- Klebstoff (glue for tongue and groove) into the groove of the located panel and onto the tongue of the panel to be laid (see page 6). Put the panels together butt jointed immediately in true alignment.

Second and the following rows of panels to be installed in a staggered position (minimum: one third of the panel's length).

Glue coming out of the butt joint shows that the quantity of the glue is sufficient and could be scraped off e.g. by using a sharp-edged spatula next day.

The edge insulation stripes for the gap behind the last row of GIFAfloor panels have to be insert into the gap at last.

Don't walk on the installed GIFAfloor for c. 12 hours.

The floor system is receptive to the full working load after c. 24 hours (standard time of the glue is fully set).

### Treatment of the surface and floor finishing

Control joints, expansion joints, transition joints and connection joints of the GIFAfloor have to be planned and must be adopted to the floor finishing.

GIFAfloor resists the castors of chairs without supplementary treatment.

Prime with Knauf Estrichgrund F431 or with the primer prescribed of the used adhesive system. Fitted carpet without putty, or if necessary jointing with Knauf Uniflott. Thin elastic floor coverings (e.g. PVC, Linoleum) only with full area mastic compound (self levelling) Knauf Nivellierspachtel 415, minimum thickness 2mm, after beeing dry to be primed.

Ceramic tiles and natural stone to be fixed with flexible tile adhesives preferably on double-layer systems F192. The prescribed installation guides of the manufacturer of the glue system especially the minimum thickness of the glue for the choosen tile size must be observed. Porcelain stoneware to be fixed by buttering and floating method, herefor put the tiles into the glue sideways while pressing it down.

Fleece or woven prescribed by the manufacturer of the glueing system has to be installed according the installation instructions.

If the allowed deflections of GIFAfloor by expected loads are bigger than the possible deflection of the floor covering, additional steps to reduce those deflections have to be planned. For further limitation of these deflections use thicker panels

and/or additional supporting and/or a second layer of panels.

Protect the GIFAfloor against water e.g. in bathrooms by using a liquid sealant system (e.g. Knauf Flächendicht / Flächendichtband).

Lay parquet flooring as a floating system or thickness of the parquet limited to  $\leq 2/3$  of the thickness of the GIFAfloor panels. The installation guides of the manufacturer of the parquet and of the glueing system for the choosen type of parquet flooring have to be considered.

Fluid floor coverings like e.g. epoxy resin floors have to be elastified and, depending on the manufacturer, water vapour permeable.

Test the bond strength of the floor finish / glueing system (if necessary by usage of a specimen).

#### Construction and installation



#### Construction

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