



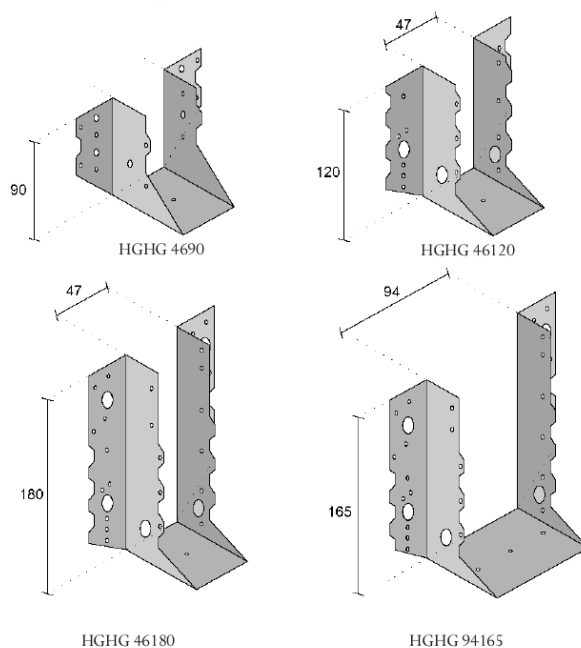
BRANZ Appraised

Appraisal No. 1132 [2025]

KIWI NAILS JOIST HANGERS

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This Appraisal replaces BRANZ
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BRANZ Appraisals

Technical Assessments of
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Product

- 1.1 Kiwi Nails Joist Hangers are an alternative connection of curtail joist to trimmer or trimmer to trimming joist as described in NZS 3604, for timber-framed structures designed in accordance with NZS 3604. The Kiwi Nails Joist Hangers are galvanised and come in four sizes.

Scope

- 2.1 Kiwi Nails Joist Hangers have been appraised as an alternative connection of curtail joist to trimmer or trimmer to trimming joist as described in NZS 3604, Figures 7.7[a] and 7.7[b] for timber-framed structures designed in accordance with NZS 3604.
- 2.2 Kiwi Nails Joist Hangers have been appraised for use in accordance with Table 4.1 of NZS 3604, situations of use include:
- in a closed environment; or,
 - in Zones B and C subfloor spaces vented 7,000 mm² or less and more than 600 mm from the ground.

Building Regulations

New Zealand Building Code (NZBC)

- 3.1 In the opinion of BRANZ, Kiwi Nails Joist Hangers, if designed, used, installed and maintained in accordance with the statements and conditions of this Appraisal, will meet the following provisions of the NZBC:

Clause B1 STRUCTURE: Performance B1.3.1, B1.3.2 and B1.3.4. Kiwi Nails Joist Hangers meet the requirements for gravity loads arising from use, earthquake, snow and wind [i.e. B1.3.3 [b), (f), (g) and (h)]. See Paragraph 8.1.

Clause B2 DURABILITY: Performance B2.3.1 [a] 50 years and B2.3.2. Kiwi Nails Joist Hangers meet these requirements. See Paragraph 9.1.

Clause F2 HAZARDOUS BUILDING MATERIALS: Performance F2.3.1. Kiwi Nails Joist Hangers meet this requirement.

Technical Specification

4.1 System components and accessories supplied by Kiwi Nails Fasteners Ltd are as follows:

Joist Hangers [Material: G300 Z275 Galvanised Steel]

Product Code	Width [mm]	Height [mm]	Thickness [mm]
HGHG 46180	46	180	1
HGHG 46120	46	120	1
HGHG 4690	46	90	1
HGHG 94165	94	165	1

4.2 System accessories supplied by the contractor are as follows:

Fixings

- Type 17 12 g x 35 mm hex head screws.
- 30 x 3.15 mm nails.

Handling and Storage

5.1 Kiwi Nails Joist Hangers and their fasteners are durable products, but should be stored in covered and dry conditions until they are installed.

Technical Literature

- 6.1 This Appraisal must be read in conjunction with:
- Kiwi Nails Joist Hangers, V1.0, dated August 2020.
- 6.2 All aspects of design, use, installation and maintenance contained in the Technical Literature and within the scope of this Appraisal must be followed.

Design Information

7.1 Kiwi Nails Joist Hangers are galvanised steel and must be used in locations that are outlined in Table 4.1 of NZS 3604.

Structure

NZS 3604 Structures

8.1 Kiwi Nails Joist Hangers may be used as an alternative to the connection details given in NZS 3604, Figure 7.7.

Durability

9.1 Kiwi Nails Joist Hangers and fixings are manufactured from galvanised steel and meet the requirements of NZS 3604, Tables 4.1 and 4.3. They will have an expected serviceable life of at least 50 years.

Maintenance

10.1 Kiwi Nails Joist Hangers should not require any maintenance once installed.

Installation Information

Installation Skill Level Requirement

11.1 All design and building work must be carried out in accordance with the Kiwi Nails Joist Hangers Technical Literature and this Appraisal by competent and experienced tradespeople conversant with the Kiwi Nails Joist Hanger installation. Where the work involves Restricted Building Work [RBW] this must be completed by, or under the supervision of, a Licensed Building Practitioner [LBP] with the relevant Licence Class.

Health and Safety

- 12.1 Suitable care must be taken when handling power and hand tools, and when handling treated timber.

Basis of Appraisal

The following is a summary of the technical investigations carried out:

Tests

- 13.1 Testing was carried out by BRANZ on simulated curtain joist to trimmer and trimmer to trimming joist to determine their structural strength.

Other Investigations

- 14.1 Structural and durability opinions have been provided by BRANZ technical experts.
14.2 Site inspections have been carried out by BRANZ to assess the practicability of installation and to examine completed installations.

Quality

- 15.1 Details regarding the composition of the materials used were obtained by BRANZ and found to be satisfactory.
15.2 The quality of materials, components and accessories supplied by Kiwi Nails Fasteners Ltd is the responsibility of Kiwi Nails Fasteners Ltd.
15.3 Quality on site is the responsibility of the installer.
15.4 Designers are responsible for the building design, and building contractors are responsible for the quality of installation of Kiwi Nails Joist Hangers in accordance with the instructions of Kiwi Nails Fasteners Ltd.

Sources of Information

- AS/NZS 1170.1:2002 Structural Design actions – Part 1: Permanent, imposed and other actions.
- NZS 3604:2011 Timber-framed buildings.
- Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment Record of amendments – Acceptable Solutions, Verification Methods and handbooks.



In the opinion of BRANZ, **Kiwi Nails Joist Hangers** are fit for purpose and will comply with the Building Code to the extent specified in this Appraisal provided they are used, designed, installed and maintained as set out in this Appraisal.

The Appraisal is issued only to **Kiwi Nails Fasteners Ltd**, and is valid until further notice, subject to the Conditions of Appraisal.

Conditions of Appraisal

1. This Appraisal:
 - a) relates only to the product as described herein;
 - b) must be read, considered and used in full together with the Technical Literature;
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