2.11 – WALL BRACING & ALIGNMENT SYSTEM

A bracing system provides support for the wall and acts an alignment system to keep the walls straight and plumb during concrete placement. Typically, the wall alignment system is installed on the inner side of the Logix wall.

There are a number of proprietary systems available. However, each bracing unit typically consists of a vertical upright steel channel with slots for attaching screws to the Logix webs, a turnbuckle arm, and a scaffold bracket.

Normally, wall bracing systems are installed after placing 2 to 4 courses of Logix forms (depending on wind and other conditions). Attach the bracing system to the webs using #10 screws with a hex head. Screws should be snug, but not tight.

Place bracing units no more than 2 feet (0.610 m) from each corner or wall end, and every 7 feet (2.134 m) or less thereafter in accordance with OSHA/OHSA requirements. Bracing units should also be placed on either side of every door and window opening.

**STEP 1:** Attach the upright steel channel to the Logix webs with a screw in each course. The screws should be snug but not tight. Always place screws near the top of the slots to accommodate settling at the interlock during concrete placement.

**STEP 2:** Attach a turnbuckle arm to the upright with a bolt and then secure to the floor or ground. In light or sandy soil, additional care must be taken to secure diagonal turnbuckle.
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STEP 3: The scaffold bracket is then inserted behind the top of the turnbuckle and secured at the bottom with an additional bolt.

STEP 4: Place the appropriate scaffolding planks and rails according to safety regulations. For requirements on toeboard and handrail configuration, consult OSHA/OHSA.

STEP 5: Prior to concrete placement, make certain walls are aligned perfectly plumb, or leaning slightly inward. The wall must not lean out at all.

STEP 6: A string line must be used to achieve straight walls.

STEP 7: Before, during and after concrete placement, the diagonal turnbuckle arm is used to adjust wall straightness to stringline.

NOTE: For tall wall bracing and alignment see Section 3.2, Tall Wall Bracing Systems.