

## SECTION 2. MORTAR

Mortar is not generally used with **mortarless** masonry however it is recommended that the first course of blocks be always bedded in mortar in order to correct any unevenness or level issues in the slab or footings and to provide the maximum bearing width at the base of the wall. Mortar type M4 (refer Table 10.1 in AS 3700) should be used for this purpose with mix proportions C 1:L 0 to L 0.25):S 3.

In situations where loads are minimal it may not be necessary to bed the bottom course. This is the exception however rather than the rule.