



# ICWCI Technical Information

## **BS 8539:2012: Code of practice for the selection and installation of post-installed anchors in concrete and masonry.**

This code of practice was instigated after a series of fixing failures, some fatal, and sets out the roles and responsibilities of all users of construction fixings in safety critical applications from manufacturers and distributors through to designers and specifiers, contractors, installers and testers.

The Construction Fixings Association, who led the drafting of the code, are working with those most closely involved - specifiers, contractors and installers of fixings - but recognises that Clerks of Works also need to be aware of the code and how it can help them to ensure that all structural connections and other safety related fixings are executed properly to achieve the desired objective.

The CFA offers a CPD seminar to Chapters of the Institute of Clerks of Works. The seminar outlines the background to the code - fixing failures and their causes, the roles and responsibilities of all stakeholders, and introduces the "8539 Toolkit" which the Association has put together to help key stakeholders to understand and implement the recommendations of the code.

#### Reference:

<http://www.the-cfa.co.uk/guidance-notes-and-downloads/8539-toolkit/>.

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