# ADD/MODIFY BRACING – Modify Brace Group

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## **Add Diagonal Bracing**

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Diagonal Bracing		
Add Diagonal Bracing		
Туре	M_WF Plate v LMBR 45x120	
Width (b)	4.5	
Depth (h,d)	12	
Define Depth (h,d) by Layer Thickness	$\checkmark$	
Rotate 90°	$\checkmark$	
Extend Ends (new Families)		
Add Diagonal Last		, ,
	- Diagonal Bracing - Add Diagonal Bracing Type Width (b) Depth (h,d) Define Depth (h,d) by Layer Thickness Rotate 90° Extend Ends (new Families) Add Diagonal Last	Jiagonal Bracing   Add Diagonal Bracing   Type   Type   Width (b)   4.5   Depth (h,d)   Define Depth (h,d) by Layer Thickness   Rotate 90°   Extend Ends (new Families)   Add Diagonal Last

Add Diagonal Bracing – enables options for adding diagonal braces in the brace group.

### Diagonal braces can be disabled:



### Example with wood floor:



Example with metal frame - diagonal braces can be disabled:



# **Diagonal Brace sizes**

E	Frace Group			
	Diagonal Bracing			^
	Add Diagonal Bracing	$\checkmark$		
	Туре	M_WF Plate LMBR 45x120	v	
	Width (b)	4.5		
	Depth (h,d)	12		
	Define Depth (h,d) by Layer Thickness	$\checkmark$		
	Rotate 90°	$\checkmark$		
	Extend Ends (new Families)			
	Add Diagonal Last			~

**Type –** select the family and type which will be used for diagonal brace. Default family is **M\_WF Plate.rvt** (for Metric projects) and **I\_WF Plate.rvt** (for Imperial projects).

Width (b) – shows b size of selected type.

Depth (h,d) - shows h or d size of selected type.

**Define Depth (h,d) by Layer Thickness** – **Wall+** will automatically create new type for selected family with new depth equal to selected wall layer thickness.

### Rotate 90°

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Rotate 90° – diagonal brace can be rotated 90 degrees to its initial position.

Example: when Rotate 90° is switched ON:



Example: when Rotate 90° is switched OFF:



# **Extend Ends**

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	Add Diagonal Bracing	$\checkmark$	
	Туре	M_WF Plate v LMBR 45x120	
	Width (b)	4.5	
	Depth (h,d)	12	
	Define Depth (h,d) by Layer Thickness	$\checkmark$	
	Rotate 90°		
	Extend Ends (new Families)		
	Add Diagonal Last		
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Extend Ends - extends diagonal brace ends when it connects to other elements.



Example: when **Extend Ends** is switched OFF:

Example: when Extend Ends is switched ON:



## Add Diagonal Last

Brace Group		
Diagonal Bracing		^
Add Diagonal Bracing	$\checkmark$	
Туре	M_WF Plate LMBR 45x120	~
Width (b)	4.5	
Depth (h,d)	12	
Define Depth (h,d) by Layer Thickness	$\checkmark$	
Rotate 90°	$\checkmark$	
Extend Ends (new Families)		
Add Diagonal Last		
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Add Diagonal Last – tries to finish a group with diagonal braces.

# Add Bridging/Nogging

Brace Group	
Bridging/Nogging	
Add Bridging/Nogging	
Туре	M_WF Plate v LMBR 45x120
Width (b)	4.5
Depth (h,d)	12
Define Depth (h,d) by Layer Thickness	
Rotate 90°	
Extend Ends (new Families)	
Add every Second	
Start from Even Number	
Add as Virtual	
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Add Bridging/Nogging – enables options for adding horizontal bridging/nogging in the brace group.

Horizontal braces can be disabled:



Example with wood floor:



Example with metal frame - horizontal braces can be disabled:



## Add every Second

Brace Group	
Bridging/Nogging	^
Add Bridging/Nogging	
Type M_WF	Plate v 45x120
Width (b) 4.5	
Depth (h,d) 12	
Define Depth (h,d) by Layer Thickness	
Rotate 90°	
Extend Ends (new Families)	
Add every Second	
Start from Even Number	
Add as Virtual	v

Add every Second – adds every second horizontal brace in the brace group.

Example: when Add every Second is switched ON:



Example: when Add every Second is switched OFF:



Example with wood floor - when Add every Second is switched ON:



Example with wood floor - when Add every Second is switched OFF:



Example with metal frame - when Add every Second is switched ON:



## Start from Even Number

Brace Group			
-Bridging/N	ogging		<u> </u>
Add Bridg	ing/Nogging	$\checkmark$	
Туре		M_WF Plate LMBR 45x120	
Width (b)		4.5	
Depth (h,c	I)	12	
Define Dep	oth (h,d) by Layer Thickness	$\checkmark$	
Rotate 90°		$\checkmark$	
Extend En	ds (new Families)		
Add every	Second	$\checkmark$	
Start from	Even Number		
Add as Vir	tual		, v

**Start from Even Number –** possible option when **Add every Second** option is enabled. It starts every second horizontal element from even number.

Example, in the left side Start from Even Number is switched OFF, in the right - switched ON:

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## Add as Virtual

Brace Group	
Bridging/Nogging	
Add Bridging/Nogging	$\checkmark$
Туре	M_WF Plate v LMBR 45x120
Width (b)	4.5
Depth (h,d)	12
Define Depth (h,d) by Layer Thickness	
Rotate 90°	$\checkmark$
Extend Ends (new Families)	
Add every Second	
Start from Even Number	
Add as Virtual	

Add as Virtual – deletes horizontal bridging/nogging in the brace group but keeps the distances between diagonal braces the same as if there were horizontal braces.

Example: when Add as Virtual is switched OFF:



Example: when **Add as Virtual** is switched ON. The distances between diagonal braces are the same as if there were horizontal braces:



Example: when Add Bridging/Nogging is switched OFF. The distances between diagonal braces are recalculated:



## **Calculation from Bottom Plate Axis**

Brace	Group		
Setti	ngs		
Cal	culation from Bottom Plate Axis		
Spa	cing Type	Maximal Spacing v	
An	gle	45	
Fixe	ed Number	2	
Spa	icing	600	
Bra	ce Connection Offset from Plate/Bridging/Nogging	100	
Co	nnection Offset between Brace Elements	200	
Bra	ce	Don't Cut v	
Brid	lging/Nogging	Don't Cut v	
Fra	ne Side	One - Centered v	
Del	ete		
Bui	ld in Place		

Calculation from Bottom Plate Axis - starts calculation from bottom plate axis.

## **Spacing Type**

B	race Group		
	- Settings		^
	Calculation from Bottom Plate Axis		
	Spacing Type	Maximal Spacing v	
	Angle	45	
	Fixed Number	2	
	Spacing	600	
	Brace Connection Offset from Plate/Bridging/Nogging	100	
	Connection Offset between Brace Elements	200	
	Brace	Don't Cut v	
	Bridging/Nogging	Don't Cut v	
	Frame Side	One - Centered v	
	Delete		
	Build in Place		~

# Spacing Type – define spacing calculation rule: Fixed Spacing, Maximal Spacing, Fixed Angle, Fixed Number and Fixed Spacing, or Fixed Number.

The options below will change regarding this setting.

## Example: when **Spacing Type = Fixed Spacing** and **Spacing = 600**:



# Brace Connection Offset from Plate/Bridging/Nogging

Brace Group		
Settings		- ^
Calculation from Bottom Plate Axis		
Spacing Type	Maximal Spacing v	
Angle	45	
Fixed Number	2	
Spacing	600	
Brace Connection Offset from Plate/Bridging/Nogging	100	
Connection Offset between Brace Elements	200	
Brace	Don't Cut *	
Bridging/Nogging	Don't Cut v	
Frame Side	One - Centered ×	
Delete		
Build in Place		~

**Brace Connection Offset from Plate/Bridging/Nogging** – brace offset from connection point with a plate, bridging, or nogging.

Example: when Brace Connection Offset from Plate/Bridging/Nogging = 100:



### **Connection Offset between Brace Elements**

В	race Group		
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	Calculation from Bottom Plate Axis		
	Spacing Type	Maximal Spacing v	
	Angle	45	
	Fixed Number	2	
	Spacing	600	
	Brace Connection Offset from Plate/Bridging/Nogging	100	
	Connection Offset between Brace Elements	200	
	Brace	Don't Cut v	
	Bridging/Nogging	Don't Cut v	
	Frame Side	One - Centered v	
	Delete		
	Build in Place		~

Connection Offset between Brace Elements – defines the offset between brace elements.



## Brace

B	race Group		
	Settings		$\sim$
	Calculation from Bottom Plate Axis		
	Spacing Type	Maximal Spacing ~	
	Angle	45	
	Fixed Number	2	
	Spacing	600	
	Brace Connection Offset from Plate/Bridging/Nogging	100	
	Connection Offset between Brace Elements	200	
	Brace	Don't Cut v	
	Bridging/Nogging	Don't Cut v	
	Frame Side	One - Centered v	
	Delete		
	Build in Place		

Brace – select brace and stud connection cutting type.

Possible options: Don't Cut, Cut Studs and Cut Bracing.

Example with wood wall - when Cut Bracing is selected:



Example with wood floor - when Cut Joists is selected:



# Bridging/Nogging

В	srace Group			
ſ	~ Settings		^	1
	Calculation from Bottom Plate Axis			
	Spacing Type	Maximal Spacing v		
	Angle	45		
	Fixed Number	2		
	Spacing	600		
	Brace Connection Offset from Plate/Bridging/Nogging	100		
	Connection Offset between Brace Elements	200		
	Brace	Don't Cut v		
	Bridging/Nogging	Don't Cut v		
	Frame Side	One - Centered v		
	Delete			
	Build in Place		~	

**Bridging/Nogging** – select bridging/nogging and stud connection cutting type.

## Possible options: Don't Cut, Cut Bridging/Nogging and Cut Bracing.

Example with wood wall - when Cut Studs is selected:



Example with wood floor - when Cut Joists is selected:

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## Frame Side

E	3race Group		
	Settings		^
	Calculation from Bottom Plate Axis		
	Spacing Type	Maximal Spacing v	
	Angle	45	
	Fixed Number	2	
	Spacing	600	
	Brace Connection Offset from Plate/Bridging/Nogging	100	
	Connection Offset between Brace Elements	200	
	Brace	Don't Cut v	
	Bridging/Nogging	Don't Cut v	
	Frame Side	One - Centered v	
	Delete		
	Build in Place		~

**Frame Side** – select whether a brace group should be applied in the center, external, internal, or on two sides of the frame.

Example with wood wall - when Frame Side = Two - Sided:



Example with wood wall - when Frame Side = Center:



Example with wood floor - when **Frame Side = Two - Sided**:

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Example with metal frame - when Frame Side = Two - Sided:



## **Build in Place**

В	race Group		
ſ	Settings		^
	Calculation from Bottom Plate Axis		
	Spacing Type	Maximal Spacing ~	
	Angle	45	
	Fixed Number	2	
	Spacing	600	
	Brace Connection Offset from Plate/Bridging/Nogging	100	
	Connection Offset between Brace Elements	200	
	Brace	Don't Cut v	
	Bridging/Nogging	Don't Cut v	
	Frame Side	One - Centered ×	
	Delete		
	Build in Place		

**Build in Place** – writes Yes/No information into the brace instance parameter if it is build-in-place or is prefabricated with whole wall frame. Later this parameter can be used in schedules or view filters.

Example with wood frame:

Properties			х
M_WF Plate LMBR 45x200			¥
Structural Framing (Other) (1	) 🗸 🕄	Edit Typ	e
Constraints		\$	$\mathbf{A}$
Reference Level	Level 1		
Start Level Offset	167.5		
End Level Offset	557.0		
Cross-Section Rotation	-90.00°		
Geometric Position		\$	_
Start Extension	-26.8		
End Extension	-26.8		
yz Justification	Uniform		
y Justification	Origin		
y Offset Value	0.0		
z Justification	Origin		
z Offset Value	0.0		
Construction		\$	
#d	200.0		
Build in Place	-		
Insert_Left			
Insert_Right		Π	

Example with wood floor:

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### Example with metal frame:

