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Basic requirements for installation

Following issues need to be respected to guarantee a safe and sound installation:

- The scope of supply has to be checked for completeness and damages right after delivery, latest however, prior the installation. This is essential to prevent a delay of the site work.
- The installation of the ductwork should be completed to avoid damages as a result of welding, grinding and the installation of insulation.
- The condition of the installation site is according to the valid safety regulation (proper scaffolding etc.)
- Weather and environmental conditions need to be respected (preparation of covers or screens).
- Supply of energy sources (e.g. electricity, compressed air etc.)
- Cleansing of the installation location was completed (ash accumulation, condensate etc.)
- Mounting of fixation elements, which will be re-used after removal of the previous expansion joint (check condition of these elements).
- Check all interface parts and installation dimensions according to TI-013 "Tolerances for interface parts and installation dimension of fabric expansion joints", especially:
 - Face to face distance of duct flanges
 - Inclination of duct flanges / flange alignment
 - Preset and misalignment of bolt hole patterns
 - Quality of the sealing surface
 - Smooth and plain welding seams on sealing surface
 - Radiused, chamfered and burr-free fixation bars (clamping / back-up bars)

Installation preparation of the fabric expansion joint:

- Check correct installation location for each expansion joint.
- Check all marked parts (according to installation instruction, and approval drawing etc.)
- Respect TI 008 "Storage, packing and transportation of fabric expansion joints".
- Provide installation instruction to site personnel.
- Provide proper tooling for installation.

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