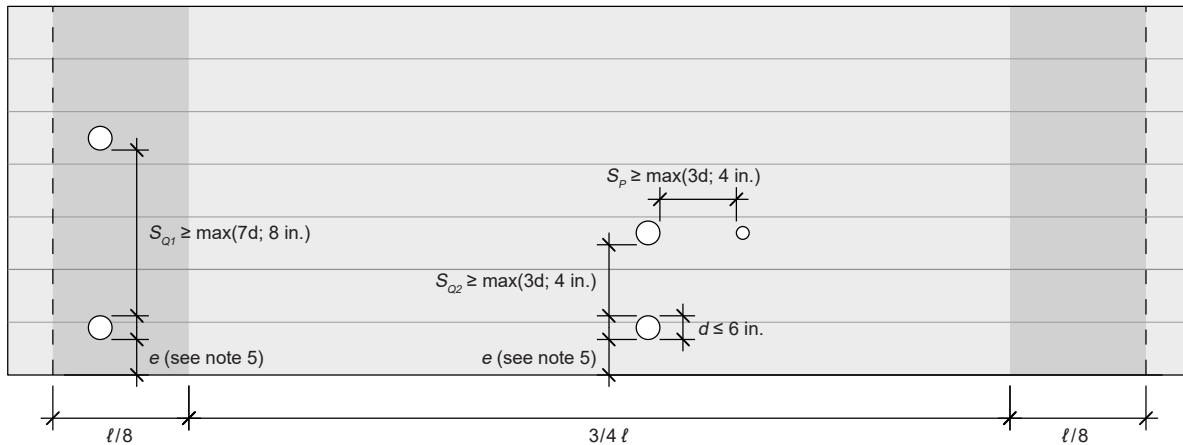


Drilling of Nordic X-Lam Floor Slabs (less than 6 inches)

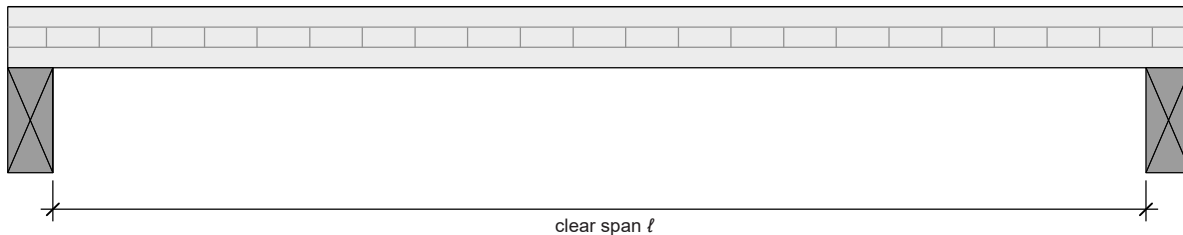
This technical note provides guidelines for drilling of holes in Nordic X-Lam floor slabs.

This technical note is applicable to simple or multiple span slabs with uniformly distributed loads only.

The holes must conform to the following geometries. If these requirements cannot be met, the drilling of holes must be verified by a qualified engineer.



Plan view



Elevation view

Notes:

- Hole size: The hole should be round and the hole diameter (d) should not exceed 6 inches.
- Longitudinal spacing (S_P): The minimum clear distance parallel to grain between adjacent hole edges shall exceed 3 times the diameter of the largest adjacent hole or 4 inches, whichever is larger.
- Transverse spacing, in a zone of $1/8$ of the span from the support (S_{Q1}): The minimum clear distance perpendicular to grain between adjacent hole edges shall exceed 7 times the diameter of the largest adjacent hole or 8 inches, whichever is larger.
- Transverse spacing, in the middle $3/4$ of the span (S_{Q2}): The minimum clear distance perpendicular to grain between adjacent hole edges shall exceed 3 times the diameter of the largest adjacent hole or 4 inches, whichever is larger.
- Edge distance (e): While there is no specific minimum edge distance requirement, careful consideration should be given to panel-to-panel joint continuity when a hole is located near the edge of a panel.