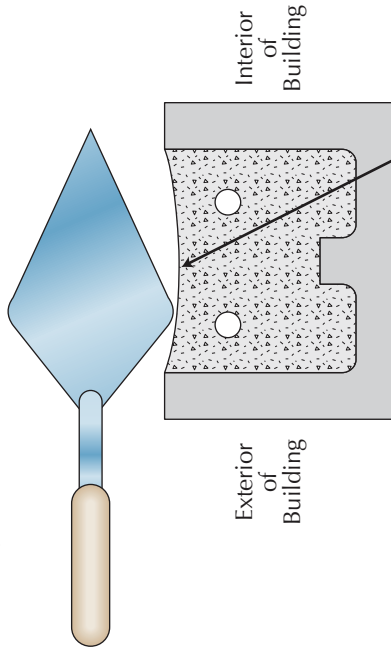
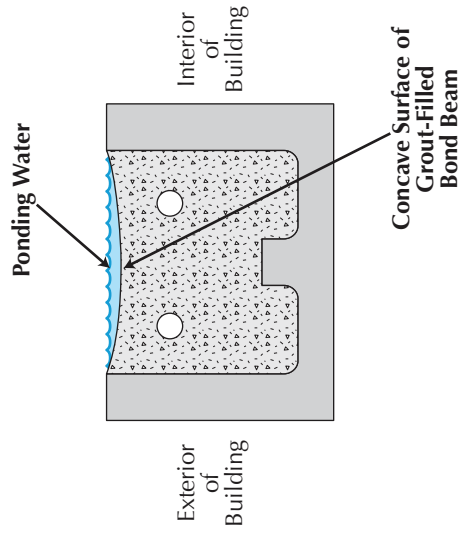


Strike Off and Slope to Drain

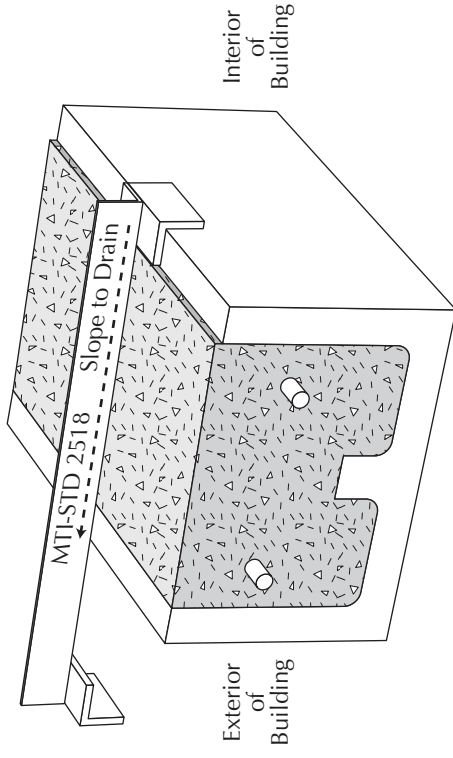
The very common practice of using a mason's block trowel to strike off the grout in a bond beam results in a concave surface pattern in the grout.



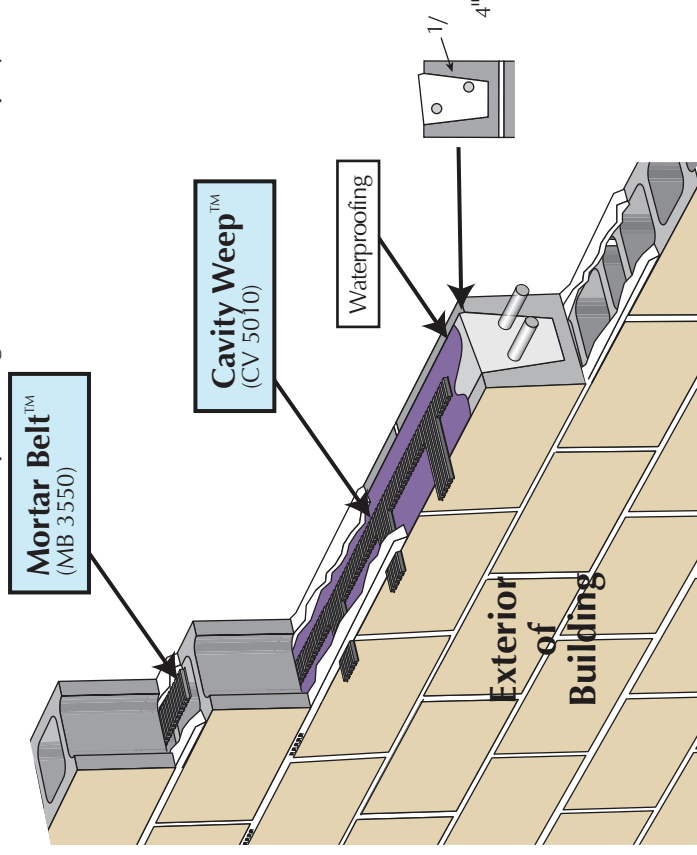
This concave pattern ponds water and allows it to leak into or, at least, to absorb into the CMU wall detail.



Strike off grout fill of a bond beam to slope to drain 1/4" in 12", with an MTI-STD 2518™ tool.



Coat with cement-based waterproofing and install a weep system.



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