## 9.4 Moisture Protection

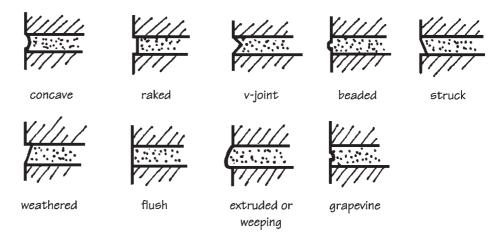
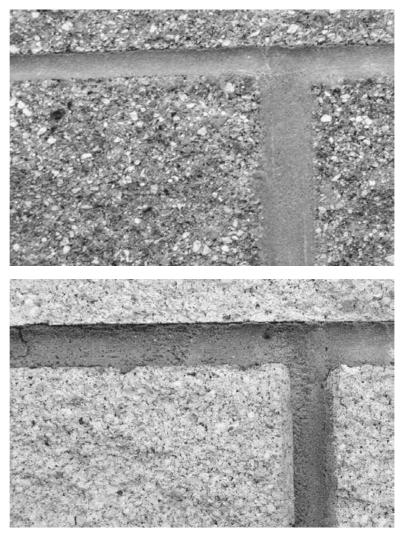
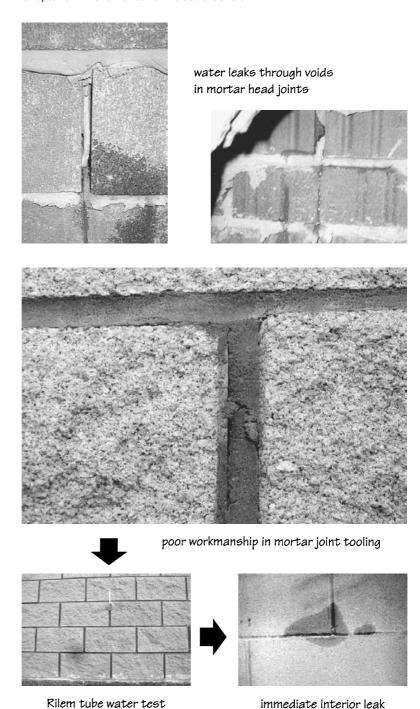


Figure 9-44 Mortar joint profiles can affect water penetration into the wall.



**Figure 9-45** Good workmanship produces a joint with tight, compacted surface and good bond line adhesion. Poor workmanship produces rough joints with voids at the unit-mortar interface.

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**Figure 9-46** Poor workmanship in mortar joints increases water penetration through masonry walls.

that cavities of double-wythe walls and veneer walls are kept clean and the weep holes free of mortar droppings and bridges.

## 9.4.3 Material Selection

Proper selection of masonry units and mortar for expected weathering conditions is also an important factor. Clay brick for exterior use should conform