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PREFACE

Introduction

The *Jamaica Small Building/Residential Code* (JSB/RC) establishes minimum requirements for one- and two- family dwellings, townhouses general purpose buildings up to 300 m²(3,232 ft²) that is non-complex in structure and using prescriptive provisions. It is founded on broad-based principles that make possible the use of new materials and new building designs and seeks to facilitate the construction of mostly reinforced concrete buildings which will withstand sustained hurricane winds of at least 248 kilometres per hour (155 mph) and earthquakes of 6.5 on the Richter Scale. This 2022 edition is to a large degree a standalone code and therefore has its own Administration and enforcement requirements; Energy Efficiency Specifications and Applications; Building Planning, Sub- and Superstructure Requirements and Specifications; Mechanical Equipment Systems and Installations; Plumbing Fixtures and Installation Requirements, Fuel Gas Appliances and Installation Requirements, Electrical Systems Equipment, Fixtures and Installation Requirements as well as Sewage and Drainage Disposal Systems. In addition, there is a Section in Chapter 1 on Pre-approved Plans that aims at making code compliant buildings available to that section of the population who cannot afford the design fees for registered *Building Professionals* or licensed *Building Practitioners*.

The Jamaican Building Codes, including this *Jamaica Small Building/Residential Code*, are used in a variety of ways in both the public and private sectors and are part of the Jamaica Building laws and Regulations. They play an invaluable role in setting the standard for building design and construction but the impact of the codes extends well beyond the regulatory arena, as they are used, being used and will be used in a variety of nonregulatory settings, including:

1. Voluntary compliance programs such as those promoting sustainability, energy efficiency and disaster resistance.
2. The insurance industry, to estimate and manage risk, and as a tool in underwriting and rate decisions.
3. Certification and credentialing of individuals involved in the fields of building design, construction and safety.
4. Certification of building and construction-related products.
5. Facilities management.
6. “Best practices” benchmarks for designers and builders, including those who are engaged in projects that do not have a formal regulatory system or a governmental enforcement mechanism.
7. University and professional school textbooks and curricula.
8. Reference works related to building design and construction.

Development

This 2022 edition of the Small Building/Residential Code (SB/RC) presents an updated version the 2009 Jamaica SB/RC, with changes reflected in the 2012 through 2018 International Residential Code (IRC) editions and the Jamaica Application Document emanating the 2009 to 2015 IRC versions. Residential electrical provisions are based on the 2017 *National Electrical Code*[®] (NFPA 70). A new edition such as this is promulgated every 3 years.

Fuel gas provisions have been included in this code through an agreement which the International Code Council, owners of the IRC, has with the American Gas Association (AGA). Electrical provisions have been included through an agreement which the Bureau of Standards Jamaica has with the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA). This code is founded on principles intended to establish provisions consistent with the scope of a residential and a small general purpose building code that adequately protects public health, safety and welfare; provisions that do not unnecessarily increase construction costs; provisions that do not restrict the use of new materials, products or methods of construction; and provisions that give preferential treatment to reinforced concrete building construction capable of withstanding sustained hurricane winds of at least 248 kilometres per hour (155 mph) and earthquakes of 6.5 on the Richter Scale. The preference for reinforced concrete buildings of the masonry units, poured-in-place and pre-stressed types is based on the fact that Jamaica must try at all cost to avoid a single natural disaster from creating such widespread damage and death that preclude recovery in longer than 20 years. This code also allows wood constructed residential buildings because it is the quickest way to put a roof over the head of persons displaced by a natural disaster and also because it is the only type houses built for homeless persons by Private Sector Social Housing Organizations. The support for wooden houses has the important caveat that it must be on a scale which cannot create a conflagration which the local fire-fighting capability is unable to handle. Notwithstanding the limited material preferences the code supports any new construction types or classes of materials, products or methods of construction that result in a building that can demonstrate withstanding sustained hurricane winds of at least 248 kilometres per hour (155 mph) and earthquakes of 6.5 on the Richter Scale .

Maintenance

The *Jamaica Small Building/Residential Code* is kept up-to-date through the review of proposed changes submitted by code enforcement officials, industry representatives, design professionals, hired code reviewers and other interested parties. Proposed changes are carefully considered through an open code development process in which all interested and affected parties may participate through a representative.

The BSJ Code Development Process reflects principles of openness, transparency, balance, due process and consensus, the principles embodied in the International Standards Organization, principles and guidelines for developing national standards. The BSJ process is open to any stakeholder; there is no cost to participate, and people can participate without travel cost through the BSJ's on line meeting system. A broad cross section of interests are represented in the BSJ Code Development Process. The codes, which are updated every six (6) years, include safeguards that allow for emergency action when required for health and safety reasons.

In order to ensure that organizations with a direct and material interest in the codes have a voice in the process, the BSJ writes to the CEO of the companies or organization or representatives from which participation is required and informs them of the proposed code to be developed and the impact it will have on their business or organization and the country. Participation is then requested on the basis that it will prevent adverse impact on that business or organization. Businesses or organizations are generally allowed to select their participant for the Building Code Technical Review Committee but occasionally the BSJ request a named person that has specialized expertise that it wants on the committee.

The Building Code Technical Review Committee (BCTRC) evaluates suggested changes proposed by hired code evaluators and make recommendations regarding proposed changes which when factored into the code becomes the First Draft document. The First Draft recommendations are then subject to public comment which when reviewed by the development committee and incorporated results in the Second Draft document. The Standards Council (BSJ Board of Directors) does a review of the Second Draft and any changes it requests when incorporated results in the Final Draft which is sent to

the Minister of Industry for signature and gazetting as mandatory Technical Standard (Regulations).

The contents of this work are subject to change through the code development cycles. For more information regarding the code development process, contact the Standards Development Department of the Bureau of Standards Jamaica.

While the BSJ's Code development procedure is thorough and comprehensive, the BSJ, its members and those participating in the development of this code disclaim any liability resulting from the publication or use of this Code, or from compliance or noncompliance with their provisions. The BSJ does not have the power or authority to police or enforce compliance with the contents of this code. Government of Jamaica delegation of duties, delegate this authority to police and enforce compliance with the contents of this code to the Local Authorities otherwise called Municipalities.

Code Development Committee and Responsibilities

In each code development cycle, proposed changes to the code are considered by the BCTRC through meetings and any Action Hearings it may hold. In establishing the BCTRC the Standards Act of Jamaica requires that the broadest stakeholder's representation be built into this committee. This committee had to be large to facilitate the diverse subject matter of this code. Review meetings were virtual and quorums were relatively easy to obtain. The following were the persons who served on the BCTRC and the organization they represented:

1. Mr. Roosevelt DaCosta – Technical Secretary & Code Consultant - Endacosta Ltd.
2. Mrs. Lise Walter – Jamaica Institution of Engineers (JIE)
3. Mr. Peter Jervis - Jamaica Institution of Engineers (JIE)
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36. Mr. Mark Taylor – Consulting Architect – Taylor Architects Limited
37. Mr. Burchell Solomon – Government Electrical Inspectorate

The BCTRC was required to discharge the following responsibilities:

1. Consider the hired code reviewer’s proposed changes to the code and decide whether they were technically sound and implementable in Jamaica without creating widespread disruptions in the construction industry or the import/export market or the manufacturing industry.
2. Consider the advantages of the proposed changes and decide whether they represented real improvement on what exists.
3. Consider the changes proposed and decide what is acceptable to the diverse stakeholders that committee members represent?
4. Consider whether the proposed changes should be accepted as proposed or rejected or altered as agreed.
5. Consider whether other changes beyond those presented by the Consultants should be made.
6. Develop the agreed additional drafts and insert them at the appropriate locations in the draft code.

Marginal Markings

Solid vertical lines in the margins within the body of the code indicate a technical change from the requirements of the 2015 edition. Deletion indicators in the form of an arrow (➔) are provided in the margin where an entire section, paragraph, exception or table has been deleted or an item in a list of items or a table has been deleted.

A single asterisk [*] placed in the margin indicates that text or a table has been relocated within the code. A double asterisk [**] placed in the margin indicates that the text or table immediately following it has been relocated there from elsewhere in the code. The following table indicates such relocations in the 2018 edition of the *International Residential Code*.

2018 LOCATION	2015 LOCATION
R703.3.1.2	R703.11.1.4

Coordination of the International Codes

The coordination of technical provisions is one of the strengths of the ICC family of model codes. The codes can be used as a complete set of complementary documents, which will provide users with full integration and coordination of technical provisions. Individual codes can also be used in subsets or as stand-alone documents. To make sure that each individual code is as complete as possible, some technical provisions that are relevant to more than one subject area are duplicated in some of the model codes. This allows users maximum flexibility in their application of the I-Codes.

Italicized Terms

Selected words and terms defined in Chapter 2, Definitions, are italicized where they appear in code

text and the Chapter 2 definition applies. Where such words and terms are not italicized, common-use definitions apply. The words and terms selected have code-specific definitions that the user should read carefully to facilitate better understanding of the code.

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EFFECTIVE USE OF THE JAMAICA SMALL BUILDING/RESIDENTIAL CODE

Effective Use of the Jamaica Small Building/Residential Code

The 2022 *Jamaica Small Building/Residential Code*[®] (JSB/RC[®]) is a customized product of the 2018 IRC and was created to serve as a complete, comprehensive code regulating the construction of single-family houses, two-family houses (duplexes), townhouses and general purpose buildings of 300 m² and less. All buildings within the scope of the JSB/RC are limited to two stories and a basement. For example, a three-storey single-family house with a basement would fall within the scope of the *Jamaica Building Code*[®] (JBC[®]), not this code. The benefits of devoting a separate code to residential construction include the fact that the user need not navigate through a multitude of code provisions that do not apply to residential construction in order to locate that which is applicable. A separate code also allows for residential and nonresidential code provisions to be distinct and tailored to the structures that fall within the appropriate code's scopes. A mostly prescriptive small building/residential code as this one allows experienced nonprofessionals (*building practitioners*) to design safe noncomplex buildings to the satisfaction of government.

The JSB/RC like the IRC contains coverage for all components of a house or townhouse, including structural components, fireplaces and chimneys, thermal insulation, mechanical systems, fuel gas systems, plumbing systems and electrical systems.

The JSB/RC like the IRC is a prescriptive-oriented (specification) code with some examples of performance code language. It has been said that the JSB/RC like the IRC is the complete cookbook for residential construction. Section R301.1, for example, is written in performance language, but states that the prescriptive requirements of the code will achieve such performance.

It is important to understand that the JSB/RC contains coverage for what is conventional, common and preferred in Jamaican residential construction practice. While the JSB/RC will provide all of the needed coverage for most residential construction, it might not address construction practices and systems that are atypical or rarely encountered in the industry. Sections such as R301.1.3, R301.2.2.1.1, R320.1, M1301.1, G2401.1 and P2601.1 refer to other codes either as an alternative to the provisions of the JSB/RC or where the JSB/RC lacks coverage for a particular type of structure, design, system, appliance or method of construction. In other words, the JSB/RC is meant to be all inclusive for typical residential construction and it relies on other codes only where alternatives are desired or where the code lacks coverage for the uncommon aspect of residential construction. The JSB/RC will constantly evolve to address new technologies and construction practices that facilitate the buildings to which they are applied withstanding winds of at least 248 kph (155 mph) and the seismic forces emanating from earthquakes of 6.5 on the Richter Scale.

The JSB/RC like the IRC is unique in that much of it, including Chapters 3 through 9 and Chapters 34 through 43, is presented in an ordered format that is consistent with the normal progression of construction, starting with the design phase and continuing through the final trim-out phase. This is consistent with the "cookbook" philosophy of the IRC.

The JSB/RC like the IRC is divided into eight main parts, specifically: Part I—Administration; Part II—Definitions; Part III—Building Planning and Construction; Part IV—Energy Conservation; Part V—Mechanical; Part VI—Fuel Gas; Part VII—Plumbing; and Part VIII—Electrical.

The JSB/RC is a metric code that specifies all measurements in metric, the legal measurements of Jamaica. In view of the outcry by older engineers and architects for Inch Pound Units (IPU) and the need to get widest use of this code upfront, this version of the code had to show the IPU in bracket beside the metric quantities. It is of utmost importance to note the following:

1. The IPU quantities are not mathematical conversion of the metric quantities beside them.
2. The IPU quantities are from the IRC and can be used with confidence for all designs or IPU calculations.
3. The metric quantities are mostly hard metric and can be used with confidence for all designs or Systeme Internationale (SI) calculations.
4. Conversion from SI to IPU or vice versa shall use the relative quantities at the bottom of the tables from which quantities are taken for a calculation.

5. In conducting a design or calculation it is advisable to work in one measurement unit only. Having completed the design or calculations the result can be converted to the unit of choice if it is different from the unit used in the design or calculation.

The size of pipes conduit and cables shall be carefully observed and used to prevent mixup between American and British sizes. The following guidelines will help prevent mixup:

1. American pipe and conduit sizes are the diameter of the of the bore.
2. British pipe and conduit sizes (still used in Jamaica) are the external diameter comprising bore and enclosure material.
3. The American ½ inch pipe will carry much more liquid or gas than the British ½ inch pipe.
4. The American ½ inch conduit will carry many more conductors of a particular size than the British ½ inch conduit.
5. The American gallon is 3.785 litres while the British gallon (used in Jamaica) is 4.5 Litres
6. Conversion Tables are provided just before the “TABLE OF CONTENTS” page in this code to aid the user in making accurate conversions or determining equivalent quantities.

The following provides a brief description of the content of each chapter and appendix of the IRC:

Chapter 1 Scope and Administration. This chapter contains provisions for the application, enforcement and administration of subsequent requirements of the code. In addition to establishing the scope of the code, Chapter 1 identifies which buildings and structures come under its purview. This chapter empowers *Building Practitioners* (nonprofessionals) as well as *Building Professionals* to design and construct buildings but limits the *Building Practitioners* to non-complex buildings within the prescribed building types. Chapter 1 is largely concerned with maintaining “due process of law” in enforcing the building criteria contained in the body of the code. Only through careful observation of the administrative provisions can the Local Authority reasonably expect to demonstrate that “equal protection under the law” has been provided.

Chapter 2 Definitions. Terms defined in the code are listed alphabetically in Chapter 2. It is important to note that two chapters have their own definitions sections: Chapter 11 for the defined terms unique to energy conservation, Chapter 24 for the defined terms that are unique to fuel gas and Chapter 35 containing terms that are applicable to electrical Chapters 34 through 43. Where Chapter 24 or 35 defines a term differently than it is defined in Chapter 2, the definition applies in that chapter only. Chapter 2 definitions apply in all other locations in the code. Local terms such as *Building Professionals* and *Building Practitioners* are added for a more complete understanding of the code.

Where understanding a term's definition is key to or necessary for understanding a particular code provision, the term is shown in italics where it appears in the code. This is true only for those terms that have a meaning that is unique to the code. In other words, the generally understood meaning of a term or phrase might not be sufficient or consistent with the meaning prescribed by the code; therefore, it is essential that the code-defined meaning be known.

Guidance regarding not only tense, gender and plurality of defined terms, but also terms not defined in this code, is provided.

Chapter 3 Building Planning. Chapter 3 provides guidelines for a minimum level of structural integrity, life safety, fire safety and livability for inhabitants of dwelling units regulated by this code. Chapter 3 is a compilation of the code requirements specific to the building planning sector of the design and construction process. This chapter sets forth code requirements dealing with light, ventilation, sanitation, minimum room size, ceiling height and environmental comfort. Chapter 3 establishes life-safety provisions including limitations on glazing used in hazardous areas, specifications on stairways, use of guards at elevated surfaces, window and fall protection, and rules for means of egress. Snow, wind and seismic design live and dead loads and flood-resistant construction, as well as solar energy systems, and swimming pools, spas and hot tubs, are addressed in this chapter.

Chapter 4 Foundations. Chapter 4 provides the requirements for the design and construction of foundation systems for buildings regulated by this code. Provisions for seismic load and flood load are contained in this chapter. A foundation system consists of two interdependent components: the foundation structure itself and the supporting soil.

The prescriptive provisions of this chapter provide requirements for constructing footings and walls for foundations of wood, masonry, concrete and precast concrete. In addition to a foundation's ability to support the required design loads, this chapter addresses several other factors that can affect foundation performance. These include controlling surface water and subsurface drainage, requiring soil tests where conditions warrant and evaluating proximity to slopes and minimum depth requirements. The chapter also provides requirements to minimize adverse effects of moisture, decay and pests in basements and crawl spaces. The more heavily reinforced footing foundation requirement to facilitate wall moments in addition to wall dead loads has been factored into this chapter along with the foundation for reinforce concrete columns.

Chapter 5 Floors. Chapter 5 provides the requirements for the design and construction of floor systems that will be capable of supporting minimum required design loads. This chapter covers four different types: wood floor framing, wood floors on the ground, cold-formed steel floor framing and concrete slabs on the ground. Allowable span tables are provided that greatly simplify the determination of joist, girder and sheathing sizes for raised floor systems of wood framing and cold-formed steel framing. This chapter also contains prescriptive requirements for wood-framed exterior decks and their attachment to the main building. Suspended slabs which is a very common element in Jamaican residential buildings allowed under this code, has been factored in this chapter of the code.

Chapter 6 Wall Construction. Chapter 6 contains provisions that regulate the design and construction of walls. The wall construction covered in Chapter 6 consists of five different types: wood framed, cold-formed steel framed, masonry, concrete and structural insulated panel (SIP). The primary concern of this chapter is the structural integrity of wall construction and transfer of all imposed loads to the supporting structure. This chapter provides the requirements for the design and construction of wall systems that are capable of supporting the minimum design vertical loads (dead and live loads) and lateral loads (wind or seismic loads). This chapter contains the prescriptive requirements for wall bracing and/or shear walls to resist the imposed lateral loads due to wind and seismic. The formidable structural tie-in of walls into foundation footings, ring (bond or belt) beams or suspended slabs has been factored in this chapter to conform to the common construction practice in Jamaica as well as many eminent structural engineers view that this approach is best to prevent wall collapse and it severe danger to building occupants during a seismic event.

Chapter 6 also regulates exterior windows and doors installed in walls. This chapter contains criteria for the performance of exterior windows and doors and includes provisions for testing and labeling, garage doors, wind-borne debris protection and anchorage details.

Chapter 7 Wall Covering. Chapter 7 contains provisions for the design and construction of interior and exterior wall coverings. This chapter establishes the various types of materials, materials

standards and methods of application permitted for use as interior coverings, including interior plaster, gypsum board, ceramic tile, wood veneer paneling, hardboard paneling, wood shakes and wood shingles. Chapter 7 also contains requirements for the use of vapour retarders for moisture control in walls.

Exterior wall coverings provide the weather-resistant exterior envelope that protects the building's interior from the elements. Chapter 7 provides the requirements for wind resistance and water-resistive barrier for exterior wall coverings. This chapter prescribes the exterior wall coverings as well as the water-resistive barrier required beneath the exterior materials. Exterior wall coverings regulated by this section include aluminum, stone and masonry veneer, wood, hardboard, particleboard, wood structural panel siding, wood shakes and shingles, exterior plaster, steel, vinyl, fiber cement and exterior insulation finish systems.

Chapter 8 Roof-ceiling Construction. Chapter 8 regulates the design and construction of roof-ceiling systems. This chapter contains two roof-ceiling framing systems: wood framing and cold-formed steel framing. Allowable span tables are provided to simplify the selection of rafter and ceiling joist size for wood roof framing and cold-formed steel framing. Chapter 8 also provides requirements for the application of ceiling finishes, the proper ventilation of concealed spaces in roofs (e.g., enclosed attics and rafter spaces), unvented attic assemblies and attic access.

Chapter 9 Roof Assemblies. Chapter 9 regulates the design and construction of roof assemblies. A roof assembly includes the roof deck, vapour retarder, substrate or thermal barrier, insulation, vapour retarder and roof covering. This chapter provides the requirement for wind resistance of roof coverings, eliminates IRC roof covering types that will not remain in place during sustained 248 kph (155 mph) hurricane winds as well as indicate the anchorage strengthening requirements needed at the eave and ridge of allowed roof coverings to ensure that they remain on during the sustained 248 kph (155 mph) hurricane winds.

The types of roof covering materials and installation regulated by Chapter 9 are: asphalt shingles, clay and concrete tile, metal roof shingles, mineral-surfaced roll roofing, slate and slate-type shingles, wood shakes and shingles, built-up roofs, metal roof panels, modified bitumen roofing, thermoset and thermoplastic single-ply roofing, sprayed polyurethane foam roofing, liquid applied coatings and photovoltaic shingles. Chapter 9 also provides requirements for roof drainage, flashing, above deck thermal insulation, rooftop-mounted photovoltaic systems and recovering or replacing an existing roof covering.

Chapter 10 Chimneys and Fireplaces. Chapter 10 contains requirements for the safe construction of masonry chimneys and fireplaces and establishes the standards for the use and installation of factory-built chimneys, fireplaces and masonry heaters. Chimneys and fireplaces constructed of masonry rely on prescriptive requirements for the details of their construction; the factory-built type relies on the listing and labeling method of approval. Chapter 10 provides the requirements for seismic reinforcing and anchorage of masonry fireplaces and chimneys.

Chapter 11 [RE] Energy Efficiency. The purpose of Chapter 11 [RE] is to provide minimum design requirements that will promote efficient utilization of energy in buildings. The requirements are directed toward the design of building envelopes with adequate thermal resistance and low air leakage, and toward the design and selection of mechanical, water heating, electrical and illumination systems that promote effective use of depletable energy resources. The provisions of Chapter 11 [RE] are duplicated from the *Jamaica Energy Conservation Code—Residential Provisions* which, as applicable for buildings which fall under the scope of the -2018 Caribbean Energy Conservation Code except that in addition to Climate Zone 0 that exist below an elevation of 731.5 m (2,400 feet) above sea level the draft introduces the following two climate zones:

- a. Climate Zone 1 for elevated areas between 731.5 m (2,400 feet) and 1,523 m (5,000 feet) above sea level.
- b. Climate Zone 2 for elevated areas above 1523 m (5,000 feet) above sea level.

For ease of use and coordination of provisions, the corresponding JECC—Residential Provisions section number is indicated following the JRC section number [e.g. N1102.1 (R402.1)].

Chapter 12 Mechanical Administration. Chapter 12 establishes the limits of applicability of the code and describes how the code is to be applied and enforced. A mechanical code, like any other code, is intended to be adopted as a legally enforceable document and it cannot be effective without adequate provisions for its administration and enforcement. The provisions of Chapter 12 establish the authority and duties of the Local Authority appointed by the jurisdiction having

authority and also establish the rights and privileges of the design professional, contractor and property owner. It also relates this chapter to the administrative provisions in Chapter 1.

Chapter 13 General Mechanical System Requirements. Chapter 13 contains broadly applicable requirements related to appliance listing and labeling, appliance location and installation, appliance and systems access, protection of structural elements and clearances to combustibles, among others.

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Chapter 14 Heating and Cooling Equipment and Appliances. Chapter 14 is a collection of requirements for various heating and cooling appliances, dedicated to single topics by section. The common theme is that all of these types of appliances use energy in one form or another, and the improper installation of such appliances would present a hazard to the occupants of the dwellings, due to either the potential for fire or the accidental release of refrigerants. Both situations are undesirable in dwellings that are covered by this code.

Chapter 15 Exhaust Systems. Chapter 15 is a compilation of code requirements related to residential exhaust systems, including kitchens and bathrooms, clothes dryers and range hoods. The code regulates the materials used for constructing and installing such duct systems. Air brought into the building for ventilation, combustion or makeup purposes is protected from contamination by the provisions found in this chapter.

Chapter 16 Duct Systems. Chapter 16 provides requirements for the installation of ducts for supply, return and exhaust air systems. This chapter contains no information on the design of these systems from the standpoint of air movement, but is concerned with the structural integrity of the systems and the overall impact of the systems on the fire-safety performance of the building. This chapter regulates the materials and methods of construction which affect the performance of the entire air distribution system.

Chapter 17 Combustion Air. Complete combustion of solid and liquid fuel is essential for the proper operation of appliances, control of harmful emissions and achieving maximum fuel efficiency. If insufficient quantities of oxygen are supplied, the combustion process will be incomplete, creating dangerous byproducts and wasting energy in the form of unburned fuel (hydrocarbons). The byproducts of incomplete combustion are poisonous, corrosive and combustible, and can cause serious appliance or equipment malfunctions that pose fire or explosion hazards.

The combustion air provisions in this code from previous editions have been deleted from Chapter 17 in favour of a single section that directs the user to NFPA 31 for oil-fired appliance combustion air requirements and the manufacturer's installation instructions for solid fuel-burning appliances. If fuel gas appliances are used, the provisions of Chapter 24 shall be followed.

Chapter 18 Chimneys and Vents. Chapter 18 regulates the design, construction, installation, maintenance, repair and approval of chimneys, vents and their connections to fuel-burning appliances. A properly designed chimney or vent system is needed to conduct the flue gases produced by a fuel-burning appliance to the outdoors. The provisions of this chapter are intended to minimize the hazards associated with high temperatures and potentially toxic and corrosive combustion gases. This chapter addresses factory-built and masonry chimneys, vents and venting systems used to vent oil-fired and solid fuel-burning appliances.

Chapter 19 Special Appliances, Equipment and Systems. Chapter 19 regulates the installation of fuel-burning appliances that are not covered in other chapters, such as ranges and ovens, sauna heaters, fuel cell power plants and hydrogen systems. Because the subjects in this chapter do not contain the volume of text necessary to warrant individual chapters, they have been combined into a single chapter. The only commonality is that the subjects use energy to perform some task or function. The intent is to provide a reasonable level of protection for the occupants of the dwelling.

Chapter 20 Boilers and Water Heaters. Chapter 20 regulates the installation of boilers and water heaters. Its purpose is to protect the occupants of the dwelling from the potential hazards associated with such appliances. A water heater is any appliance that heats potable water and supplies it to the plumbing hot water distribution system. A boiler either heats water or generates steam for space heating and is generally a closed system.

Chapter 21 Hydronic Piping. Hydronic piping includes piping, fittings and valves used in building space conditioning systems. Applications include hot water, chilled water, steam, steam condensate, brines and water/antifreeze mixtures. Chapter 21 regulates installation, alteration and repair of all hydronic piping systems to ensure the reliability, serviceability, energy efficiency and safety of such systems.

Chapter 22 Special Piping and Storage Systems. Chapter 22 regulates the design and installation of fuel oil storage and piping systems. The regulations include reference to construction standards for above-ground and underground storage tanks, material standards for piping systems (both above-ground and underground) and extensive requirements for the proper assembly of system piping and components. The purpose of this chapter is to prevent fires, leaks and spills involving fuel oil storage and piping systems, whether inside or outside structures and above or underground.

Chapter 23 Solar Thermal Energy Systems. Chapter 23 contains requirements for the construction, alteration and repair of all systems and components of solar thermal energy systems used for space heating or cooling, and domestic hot water heating or processing. The provisions of this chapter are limited to those necessary to achieve installations that are relatively hazard free.

A solar thermal energy system can be designed to handle 100 percent of the energy load of a building, although this is rarely accomplished. Because solar energy is a low-intensity energy source and dependent on the weather, it is usually necessary to supplement a solar thermal energy system with traditional energy sources.

As our world strives to find alternate means of producing power for the future, the requirements of this chapter will become more and more important over time.

Chapter 24 Fuel Gas. Chapter 24 regulates the design and installation of fuel gas distribution piping and systems, appliances, appliance venting systems and combustion air provisions. The definition of “Fuel gas” includes natural, liquefied petroleum and manufactured gases and mixtures of these gases.

The purposes of this chapter are to establish the minimum acceptable level of safety and to protect life and property from the potential dangers associated with the storage, distribution and use of fuel gases and the byproducts of combustion of such fuels. This code also protects the personnel who install, maintain, service and replace the systems and appliances addressed herein.

Chapter 24 is composed entirely of text extracted from the IFGC; therefore, whether using the IFGC or the IRC, the fuel gas provisions will be identical. Note that to avoid the potential for confusion and conflicting definitions, Chapter 24 has its own definition section.

Chapter 25 Plumbing Administration. The requirements of Chapter 25 do not supersede the administrative provisions of Chapter 1. Rather, the administrative guidelines of Chapter 25 pertain to plumbing installations that are best referenced and located within the plumbing chapters. This chapter addresses how to apply the plumbing provisions of this code to specific types or phases of construction. This chapter also outlines the responsibilities of the applicant, installer and inspector with regard to testing plumbing installations.

Chapter 26 General Plumbing Requirements. The content of Chapter 26 is often referred to as “miscellaneous,” rather than general plumbing requirements. This is the only chapter of the plumbing chapters of the code whose requirements do not interrelate. If a requirement cannot be located in another plumbing chapter, it should be located in this chapter. Chapter 26 contains safety requirements for the installation of plumbing systems and includes requirements for the identification of pipe, pipe fittings, traps, fixtures, materials and devices used in plumbing systems. If specific provisions do not demand that a requirement be located in another chapter, the requirement is located in this chapter.

Chapter 27 Plumbing Fixtures. Chapter 27 requires fixtures to be of the proper type, approved for the purpose intended and installed properly to promote usability and safe, sanitary conditions. This chapter regulates the quality of fixtures and faucets by requiring those items to comply with nationally recognized standards. Because fixtures shall be properly installed so that they are usable by the occupants of the building, this chapter contains the requirements for the installation of fixtures.

Chapter 27A Private Sewage Disposal. Chapter 27A has been created primarily from Appendix I to fit into the local view that a chapter is more important than an appendix. The chapter simply provides the opportunity to utilize the *Jamaica Private Sewage Disposal Code* for the design and installation of private sewage disposal systems in one- and two-family dwellings, townhouses and small general-purpose buildings all having a floor area of 300 m² (3,232 ft²) and less.

Chapter 28 Water Heaters. Chapter 28 regulates the design, approval and installation of water heaters and related safety devices. The intent is to minimize the hazards associated with the installation and operation of water heaters. Although this chapter does not regulate the size of a water heater, it does regulate all other aspects of the water heater installation such as temperature and pressure relief valves, safety drip pans and connections. Where a water heater also supplies water

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for space heating, this chapter regulates the maximum water temperature supplied to the water distribution system.

Chapter 29 Water Supply and Distribution. This chapter regulates the supply of potable water from both public and individual sources to every fixture and outlet so that it remains potable and uncontaminated by cross connections. Chapter 29 also regulates the design of the water distribution system, which will allow fixtures to function properly. Because it is critical that the potable water supply system remain free of actual or potential sanitary hazards, this chapter has the requirements for providing backflow protection devices.

Chapter 30 Sanitary Drainage. The purpose of Chapter 30 is to regulate the materials, design and installation of sanitary drainage piping systems as well as the connections made to the system. The intent is to design and install sanitary drainage systems that will function reliably, are neither undersized nor oversized and are constructed from materials, fittings and connections whose quality is regulated by this section. This chapter addresses the proper use of fittings for directing the flow into and within the sanitary drain piping system. Materials and provisions necessary for servicing the drainage system are also included in this chapter.

Chapter 31 Vents. Venting protects the trap seal of each trap. The vents are designed to limit differential pressures at each trap to 249 Pa (1 inch of water column). Because waste flow in the drainage system creates pressure fluctuations that can negatively affect traps, the sanitary drainage system shall have a properly designed venting system. Chapter 31 covers the requirements for vents and venting. All of the provisions set forth in this chapter are intended to limit the pressure differentials in the drainage system to a maximum of 249 Pa (1 inch of water column) above or below atmospheric pressure (i.e., positive or negative pressures).

Chapter 32 Traps. Traps prevent sewer gas from escaping from the drainage piping into the building. Water seal traps are the simplest and most reliable means of preventing sewer gas from entering the interior environment. This chapter lists prohibited trap types and specifies the minimum trap size for each type of fixture.

Chapter 33 Storm Drainage. Rainwater infiltration into the ground adjacent to a building can cause the interior of foundation walls to become wet. The installation of a subsoil drainage system prevents the buildup of rainwater on the exterior of the foundation walls. This chapter provides the specifications for subsoil drain piping. Where the discharge of the subsoil drain system is to a sump, this chapter also provides coverage for sump construction, pumps and discharge piping.

Chapter 34 General Requirements. This chapter contains broadly applicable, general and miscellaneous requirements including scope, listing and labeling, equipment locations and clearances for conductor materials and connections and conductor identification.

Chapter 35 Electrical Definitions. Chapter 35 is the repository of the definitions of terms used in the body of Part VIII of the code including local terms. To avoid the potential for confusion and conflicting definitions, Part VIII, Electrical, has its own definition chapter.

Codes are technical documents and every word, term and punctuation mark can impact the meaning of the code text and the intended results. The code often uses terms that have a unique meaning in the code, which can differ substantially from the ordinarily understood meaning of the term as used outside of the code.

The terms defined in Chapter 35 are deemed to be of prime importance in establishing the meaning and intent of the electrical code text that uses the terms. The user of the code should be familiar with and consult this chapter because the definitions are essential to the correct interpretation of the code and because the user may not be aware that a term is defined.

Chapter 36 Services. This chapter covers the design, sizing and installation of the building's electrical service equipment and grounding electrode system. It includes an easy-to-use load calculation method and service conductor sizing table. The electrical service is generally the first part of the electrical system to be designed and installed. This chapter includes both American Wire Gauge (AWG) conductors and cables as well as Metric conductors and cables many of which have are manufactured locally.

Chapter 37 Branch Circuit and Feeder Requirements. Chapter 37 addresses the requirements for designing the power distribution system, which consists of feeders and branch circuits emanating from the service equipment. This chapter dictates the ratings of circuits and the allowable loads, the number and types of branch circuits required, the wire sizing for such branch circuits and feeders and the requirements for protection from overcurrent for conductors. A load calculation method specific to feeders is also included. This chapter is used to design the electrical system on the load side of the service. This chapter includes both American Wire Gauge (AWG) conductors and cables as well as Metric conductors and cables many of which have are manufactured locally.

Chapter 38 Wiring Methods. Chapter 38 specifies the allowable wiring methods, such as cable, conduit and raceway systems, and provides the installation requirements for the wiring methods. This chapter is primarily applicable to the “rough-in” phase of construction. This chapter includes both American Wire Gauge (AWG) conductors and cables as well as Metric conductors and cables many of which have are manufactured locally.

Chapter 39 Power and Lighting Distribution. This chapter mostly contains installation requirements for the wiring that serves the lighting outlets, receptacle outlets, appliances and switches located throughout the building. The required distribution and spacing of receptacle outlets and lighting outlets is prescribed in this chapter, as well as the requirements for ground-fault and arc-fault circuit-interrupter protection.

Chapter 40 Devices and Luminaires. This chapter focuses on the devices, including switches and receptacles, and lighting fixtures that are typically installed during the final phase of construction.

Chapter 41 Appliance Installation. Chapter 41 addresses the installation of appliances including HVAC appliances, water heaters, fixed space-heating equipment, dishwashers, garbage disposals, range hoods and suspended paddle fans.

Chapter 42 Swimming Pools. This chapter covers the electrical installation requirements for swimming pools, storable swimming pools, wading pools, decorative pools, fountains, hot tubs, spas and hydromassage bathtubs. The allowable wiring methods are specified along with the required clearances between electrical system components and pools, spas and tubs. This chapter includes the special grounding requirements related to pools, spas and tubs, and also prescribes the equipotential bonding requirements that are unique to pools, spas and tubs.

Chapter 43 Class 2 Remote-control, Signaling and Power-limited Circuits. This chapter covers the power supplies, wiring methods and installation requirements for the Class 2 circuits found in dwellings. Such circuits include thermostat wiring, alarm systems, security systems, automated control systems and doorbell systems.

Chapter 44 Referenced Standards. The code contains numerous references to standards that are used to regulate materials and methods of construction. Chapter 44 contains a comprehensive list of all standards that are referenced in the code. The standards are part of the code to the extent of the reference to the standard. Compliance with the referenced standard is necessary for compliance with this code. By providing specifically adopted standards, the construction and installation requirements necessary for compliance with the code can be readily determined. The basis for code compliance is, therefore, established and available on an equal basis to the Local Authority, contractor, designer and owner.

Chapter 44 is organized in a manner that makes it easy to locate specific standards. It lists all of the referenced standards, alphabetically, by acronym of the promulgating agency of the standard. Each agency’s standards are then listed in either alphabetical or numeric order based upon the standard identification. The list also contains the title of the standard; the edition (date) of the standard referenced; any addenda included as part of the ICC adoption; and the section or sections of this code that reference the standard.

Appendix A Sizing and Capacities of Gas Piping. This appendix is informative and not part of the code. It provides design guidance, useful facts and data and multiple examples of how to apply

the sizing tables and sizing methodologies of Chapter 24.

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Appendix B Sizing of Venting Systems Serving Appliances Equipped with Draft Hoods, Category I Appliances, and Appliances Listed for Use with Type B Vents. This appendix is informative and not part of the code. It contains multiple examples of how to apply the vent and chimney tables and methodologies of Chapter 24.

Appendix C Exit Terminals of Mechanical Draft and Direct-vent Venting Systems. This appendix is informative and not part of the code. It consists of a figure and notes that visually depict code requirements from Chapter 24 for vent terminals with respect to the openings found in building exterior walls.

Appendix D Recommended Procedure for Safety Inspection of an Existing Appliance Installation. This appendix is informative and not part of the code. It provides recommended procedures for testing and inspecting an appliance installation to determine if the installation is operating safely and if the appliance is in a safe condition.

Appendix E Manufactured Housing Used as Dwellings. The criteria for the construction of manufactured homes are governed by the National Manufactured Housing Construction and Safety Act. While this act may seem to cover the bulk of the construction of manufactured housing, it does not cover those areas related to the placement of the housing on the property. The provisions of Appendix E are not applicable to the design and construction of manufactured homes. Appendix E provides a complete set of regulations in conjunction with federal law for the installation of manufactured housing. This appendix also contains provisions for existing manufactured home installations.

Appendix F Radon Control Methods. Radon comes from the natural (radioactive) decay of the element radium in soil, rock and water and finds its way into the air. Radon mapping throughout Jamaica has been done by the University of the West Indies Mona and is included in the appendix. The mapping shows that radon exclusion from buildings are only necessary in parts of the Parish of St. Elizabeth. Appendix F contains requirements to mitigate the transfer of radon gases from the soil into the dwelling. The provisions of this appendix regulate the design and construction of radon-resistant measures intended to reduce the entry of radon gases into the living space of residential buildings in the .

Appendix G Piping Standards for Various Applications. Appendix G provides standards for various types of plastic piping products. This appendix is informative and is not part of the code.

Appendix H Patio Covers. Appendix H sets forth the regulations and limitations for patio covers. The provisions address those uses permitted in patio cover structures, the minimum design loads to be assigned for structural purposes, and the effect of the patio cover on egress and emergency escape or rescue from sleeping rooms. This appendix also contains the special provisions for aluminum screen enclosures in hurricane-prone regions.

Appendix I Private Sewage Disposal. Appendix I provides drawings and data that explain in graphic terms the sewage disposal systems of the Jamaica Private Sewage Disposal Code

Appendix J Existing Buildings and Structures. Appendix J contains the provisions for the repair, renovation, alteration and reconstruction of existing buildings and structures that are within the scope of this code. To accomplish this objective and to make the rehabilitation process more available, this appendix allows for a controlled departure from full code compliance without compromising minimum life safety, fire safety, structural and environmental features of the rehabilitated existing building or structure.

Appendix K Sound Transmission. Appendix K regulates the sound transmission of wall and floor-ceiling assemblies separating dwelling units and townhouse units. Airborne sound insulation is required for walls. Airborne sound insulation and impact sound insulation are required for floor-ceiling assemblies. The provisions in Appendix K set forth a minimum Sound Transmission Class

(STC) rating for common walls and floor-ceiling assemblies between dwelling units. In addition, a

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minimum Impact Insulation Class (IIC) rating is also established to limit structure borne sound through common floor-ceiling assemblies separating dwelling units.

Appendix L Permit Fees. Appendix L provides guidance for setting appropriate permit fees. This appendix will aid many jurisdictions to assess permit fees that will assist to fairly and properly administer the code. This appendix can be used for informational purposes only or may be adopted when specifically referenced in the adopting ordinance.

Appendix M Home Day Care—R-3 Occupancy. Appendix M provides means of egress and smoke detection requirements for a Group R-3 Occupancy that is to be used as a home day care for more than five children who receive custodial care for less than 24 hours. This appendix is strictly for guidance and/or adoption by those jurisdictions that have Licensed Home Care Provider laws and statutes that allow more than five children to be cared for in a person's home. When this appendix is adopted, the provisions for day care and child care facilities in the IBC should be considered also.

Appendix N Venting Methods. Because venting of sanitary drainage systems is a difficult concept to understand, and Chapter 31 uses only words to describe venting requirements, illustrations can offer greater insight into what the words mean. Appendix N has a number of illustrations for commonly installed sanitary drainage systems in order for the reader to gain a better understanding of this code's venting requirements.

Appendix O Automatic Vehicular Gates. Appendix O provides the requirements for the design and construction of automatic vehicular gates. The provisions are for where automatic gates are installed for use at a vehicular entrance or exit on the lot of a one- or two-family dwelling. The requirements provide protection for individuals from potential entrapment between an automatic gate and a stationary object or surface.

Appendix P Sizing of Water Piping System. Appendix P provides two recognized methods for sizing the water service and water distribution piping for a building. The method under Section AP103 provides friction loss diagrams that require the user to "plot" points and read values from the diagrams in order to perform the required calculations and necessary checks. This method is the most accurate of the two presented in this appendix. The method under Section AP201 is known to be conservative; however, very few calculations are necessary in order to determine a pipe size that satisfies the flow requirements of any application.

Appendix Q Tiny Houses. For dwelling units that are 400 square feet (37 m²) or less in floor area, excluding lofts, Appendix Q provides relaxed provisions as compared to those in the body of the code. These provisions primarily address reduced ceiling heights for loft areas and specific stair and ladder detail requirements that allow for more compact designs where accessing lofts.

Appendix R Light Straw-Clay Construction. This appendix regulates the use of light straw-clay as a construction material. It is limited in application to nonbearing wall infill systems.

Appendix S Strawbale Construction. This appendix provides prescriptive requirements for the use of strawbale as a construction material. It is limited in application to the walls of one-story structures, except where additional engineering is provided.

Appendix T Solar-ready Provisions—Detached One- and Two-family Dwellings and Townhouses. This appendix provides requirements for preparation of a house for future installation of solar equipment for electrical power or heating. Given the growing popularity of solar power and the possible need for the equipment in the future, this appendix, if adopted, would require an area be provided on the building roof that would accommodate solar equipment. In addition, pathways for routing of plumbing and conduit need to be provided.

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Part I—Administrative

CHAPTER 1 SCOPE AND ADMINISTRATION

User note:

About this chapter: Chapter 1 establishes the limits of applicability of this code and describes how the code is to be applied and enforced. Chapter 1 is in two parts: Part 1—Scope and Application (Sections R101–R102) and Part 2—Administration and Enforcement (Sections R103–R114). Section R101 identifies which buildings and structures come under its purview and references other I-Codes as applicable. Standards and codes are scoped to the extent referenced (see Section R102.4).

The one- and two-family dwelling code is intended to be adopted as a legally enforceable document, and it cannot be effective without adequate provisions for its administration and enforcement. The provisions of Chapter 1 establish the authority and duties of the Local Authority appointed by the authority having jurisdiction and also establish the rights and privileges of the design professional, contractor and property owner.

PART 1—SCOPE AND APPLICATION

SECTION R101 GENERAL

R101.1 Title. These Regulations may be cited as the 2020 *Jamaica Small Building/Residential Code* s and will be referred to hereinafter in these Regulations as “this code.”

R101.2 Scope. The provisions of this code shall apply to the design, construction, demolition, *alteration*, movement, enlargement, replacement, repair, *equipment*, change of building use and location removal and demolition of the following detached buildings:

1. one- and two-family dwellings $\leq 300 \text{ m}^2$ (3,000 ft²) in total area and non-*complex* in shape, structure, services and location. (See definition of *complex building*).
2. *townhouses* not more than 300 m^2 (3,000 ft²) in total area; non-*complex* in shape, structure, services and location (See definition of *complex building*) and three stories above *grade plane* in height with a separate means of egress
3. small general purpose buildings (such as a village shop) $\leq 300 \text{ m}^2$ (3,000 ft²) in total area and non-*complex* in shape, structure, services and location. (See definition of *complex building*).
4. *accessory structures* not more than one storey above *grade plane* in height.

R101.2.1 Buildings no longer permitted under this code The following buildings shall be designed and constructed under the *Jamaica Building Code* and are no longer permitted to be constructed in accordance with this code even if their total floor area does not exceed 300 m^2 (3,000 ft²), building height including

basement is a maximum of three stories and they are provided with a residential fire sprinkler system complying with Section P2904:

- a) Live/work units located in *townhouses* and complying with the requirements of Section 419 of the *Jamaica Building Code*.
- b) Owner-occupied lodging houses with five or fewer guestrooms
- c) A care facility with five or fewer persons receiving custodial care within a dwelling unit.
- d) A care facility with five or fewer persons receiving medical care within a dwelling unit.
- e) A care facility for five or fewer persons receiving care that are within a single-family dwelling.

R101.3 Intent. The purpose of this code is to enable the construction of residential and small buildings of 300 m^2 and less to successfully withstand hurricanes up to 69.3 m/s (155 mph) and earthquakes up to 6.5 on the Richter scale by establishing minimum requirements to safeguard the public safety, health and general welfare through affordability, structural strength, means of egress facilities, stability, sanitation, light and ventilation, energy conservation and safety to life and property from fire and other hazards attributed to the built environment, and to provide safety to fire fighters and emergency responders during emergency operations.

SECTION R102 APPLICABILITY

R102.1 General. Where there is a conflict between a general requirement and a specific requirement, the specific requirement shall be applicable. Where, in any specific case, different sections of this code specify different materials, methods of construction or other requirements, the most restrictive shall govern.

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R102.2 Other laws. The provisions of this code shall not be deemed to nullify any provisions of the Building Act or any regulations made under the Building Act or any other enactment impacting on the regulation of buildings. The provisions of the following Acts that impact on the regulation of buildings and the construction industry shall be seen as additional to and not in derogation of the provisions of this code:

- (a) The Architects Registration Act;
- (b) The Beach Control Act;
- (c) The Endangered Species (Protection, Conservation and Regulation of Trade) Act;
- (d) The Fire Brigade Act;
- (e) The Housing Act;
- (f) The Jamaica National Heritage Trust Act;
- (g) The Land Surveyors Act;
- (h) The Local Improvements Act;
- (i) The Local Improvements (Community Amenities) Act;
- (j) The National Housing Trust Act;
- (k) The National Solid Waste Management Act;
- (l) The Natural Resources Conservation Authority Act;
- (m) The Professional Engineer Registration Act;
- (n) The Standards Act;
- (o) The Town and Country Planning Act;
- (p) The Urban Development Corporation Act; or
- (q) The Wildlife Protection Act.

102.2.1 Differences in similar provisions. Where a provision of the Building Laws of Jamaica regulates buildings or building work (whether generally or within the area of jurisdiction of a Local Authority), any provision of any other enactment which also regulates that matter –

- (a) if not inconsistent with the Building Laws, shall be complied with in addition to the Building Laws; or
- (b) if inconsistent with the Building Laws –
 - (i) so far as is practicable, shall be read so as to resolve the inconsistency; and
 - (ii) subject to subparagraph (i), to the extent of the inconsistency, ceases to have effect, generally or in that area, for the period that the provision of the Building Laws, is in force.

102.2.2 Mandatory publication of obsolete regulation. A Local Authority shall publish, in a newspaper circulated generally in its area of jurisdiction, a notice of the fact that a regulation has ceased to have effect in its area of jurisdiction.

R102.3 Application of references. References to chapter or section numbers, or to provisions not specifically

identified by number, shall be construed to refer to the corresponding chapter, section or provision of this code.

R102.4 Referenced codes and standards. The codes and standards referenced in this code shall be considered part of the requirements of this code to the prescribed extent of each such reference and as further regulated in Sections R102.4.1 and R102.4.2.

Exception: Where enforcement of a code provision would violate the conditions of the *listing* of the *equipment* or *appliance*, the conditions of the *listing* and manufacturer's instructions shall apply.

R102.4.1 Conflicts. Where conflicts occur between provisions of this code and referenced codes and standards, the provisions of this code shall apply.

R102.4.2 Provisions in referenced codes and standards. Where the extent of the reference to a referenced code or standard includes subject matter that is within the scope of

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this code, the provisions of this code, as applicable, shall take precedence over the provisions in the referenced code or standard.

R102.5 Appendices. Provisions in the appendices shall not apply unless specifically stated at the top of the first page of the appendix.

R102.6 Partial invalidity. In the event any part or provision of this code is held to be illegal or void, this shall not have the effect of making void or illegal any of the other parts or provisions.

R102.7 Existing structures. The legal occupancy of any structure existing on the date of adoption of this code shall be permitted to continue without change, except as is specifically covered in this code, the *Jamaica Property Maintenance Code* or the *Jamaican Fire Code*, or as is deemed necessary by the *Local Authority* for the general safety and welfare of the occupants and the public.

R102.7.1 Additions, alterations or repairs. *Additions, alterations* or repairs to any structure shall conform to the requirements for a new structure without requiring the existing structure to comply with the requirements of

the Chief Engineering Officer of the Local Authority is the senior officer of the Local Authority who is responsible for engineering matters. The Local Authority appoints officers for the performance of its functions and designates officers of the Authority to undertake specified functions in respect of the administration and enforcement of building matters. These officers are known as building officials.

R103.2 Appointment. The position of *building official* of a Local Authority shall be classified and approved by the Minister with responsibility for the Public Service after reviewing and accepting the Municipality's submitted documentation embodying justification for the operation of the post, detailed job description and proposed salary scale. The approved position shall be advertised for applicants, suitable applicants are short listed, interviewed and a selection made and approved by the Local Authority.

R103.3 Deputies. In accordance with the prescribed procedures for the appointment of officers and with the prior written approval of the Minister responsible for the public service, the Local Authority may pursue the appointment of deputies and make acting appointments. This includes the appointment of, where needed, the technical officers, inspectors, and plan examiners. For powers and responsibilities which the Local Authority has in relation to the maintenance of existing properties, see the Jamaica Property Maintenance Code.

SECTION R104

DUTIES AND POWERS OF THE BUILDING OFFICIAL

R104.1 General. *Building officials* perform the functions of the Local Authority which includes enforcing the provisions of this code. *Building officials* may interpret this code and adopt policies and procedures in order to clarify the application of its provisions. The interpretations, policies and

this code, unless otherwise stated. *Additions, alterations, repairs* and relocations shall not cause an existing structure to become unsafe or adversely affect the performance of the building.

PART 2—ADMINISTRATION AND ENFORCEMENT

SECTION R103 DEPARTMENT OF BUILDING SAFETY/LOCAL AUTHORITY

R103.1 Creation of enforcement agency.

The Government of Jamaica by duty assignment has made the Local Authority responsible for the enforcement of this Code. The Municipal Corporation for each parish and every City Municipality is designated as the Local Authority for the respective area in which the Municipal Corporation or City Municipality has jurisdiction. The Building Act authorizes each Local Authority (formerly Parish Councils, Corporation and Municipality) to establish a department of building safety to enforce the Building Laws. The Chief Executive Officer is responsible for the administration of the affairs of the Local Authority. T

procedures shall be in compliance with the intent and purpose of this code. The policies and procedures shall not have the effect of waiving requirements specifically provided for in this code. The functions of each Local Authority is to –

- (a) administer and enforce the Building Laws of Jamaica, within its area of jurisdiction;
- (b) accept and consider applications for building permission and make determinations on them, subject to any specified term or condition;
- (c) ensure that all building work within its area of jurisdiction is carried out in accordance with the Building Laws of Jamaica;
- (d) keep and maintain full, accurate and up-to-date records and make the information available to the public, subject to such guidelines as may be established;
- (e) issue compliance certificates of stages of construction and certificates of occupancy in respect of buildings and building work;
- (f) prescribe fees for services provided by or on behalf of the Local Authority;
- (g) ensure that designs submitted in respect of building applications are in compliance with the Building Laws of Jamaica and that the design and supervisory aspects of building work are undertaken and executed by duly qualified persons;
- (h) engage persons under contract as it deems necessary for the proper performance of its functions in accordance with applicable laws and guidelines; and
- (i) perform such other functions as are necessary or expedient for, or in connection with, the proper performance of its functions under the Building Laws of Jamaica.

R104.2 Applications and permits. The building official shall receive applications, review building and building works documents and issue building permits, licences, certificates of stage of construction compliance, certificates of occupancy and other certificates, notices, orders and other authorization, approvals or determination for the design, construction, erection, alteration, repair, extension, modification, relocation, enlargement, replacement, repair, equipment, use and occupancy, location, maintenance, removal and demolition or removal of buildings and building works of buildings and structures, inspect the premises and stages of construction in relation to which the *authorizations, approvals and determinations* have been issued and enforce compliance with the provisions of this code.

R104.3 Notices and orders. The *building official* shall issue necessary certificates, notices, orders and other authorization, approvals or make determination to ensure compliance with this code.**R104.4 Inspections.**The Local Authority shall make the required inspections needed by sections 104, 110, 111, 114, 115, 116 and as needed elsewhere in this code, or Local Authority to accept reports of inspection by *approved agencies* or individuals. Reports of such inspections done by the building official, approved agency and individuals shall be in writing and be certified by a responsible building official of the department of building safety for internally generated reports and a responsible building official for the *approved agency* or individual for externally generated reports. The Local Authority may engage such expert opinion as is considered necessary to report on unusual technical issues that arise, subject to the approval of the appointing authority.

R104.5 Identification. The *building official* shall carry proper identification when inspecting a building, building work or any building material or product, construction method, design, building component or building system connected with a building or building work, or structures or premises in the performance of duties under this code.

R104.6 Right of entry. Where it is necessary to make an inspection to enforce the provisions of this code, or where the *building official* has reasonable cause to believe that there exists in a building, building work, or structure or upon a premises a condition that is contrary to or in violation of this code that makes the building, building work, or structure or premises unsafe, dangerous or hazardous, the *building official* or designee may enter the structure or premises at reasonable times to inspect or to perform the duties imposed by this code, provided that if the building, building work, or structure or premises is occupied that credentials be presented to the occupant and entry requested. If the building, building work, or structure or premises is unoccupied, the *building official* shall first make a reasonable effort to locate the owner, the

owner's agent, or other person having charge or control of the building, building work, or structure or premises and request entry. If entry is refused, the *building official* shall have recourse to the remedies provided by law to secure entry.

R104.7 Department records. The *building official* shall keep official records of applications received, building permits, certificates, notices, orders and other authorization and, approvals issued, determinations made, fees collected, and reports of inspection made. The records shall be retained in the official records for the period required for the retention of public records.

R104.8 Liability. The *building official*, member of the Tribunal or employee charged with the enforcement of this code, while acting for the *jurisdiction* in good faith and without malice in the discharge of the duties required by this code or the Jamaica National Building Code other pertinent law or ordinance, shall not thereby be rendered civilly or criminally liable personally and is hereby relieved from personal liability for any damage accruing to persons or property as a result of any act or by reason of an act or omission in the discharge of official duties.**R104.8.1 Legal defence.** Any suit or criminal complaint instituted against an officer or employee because of an act performed by that officer or employee in the lawful discharge of duties and under the provisions of this code shall be defended by

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until the final termination of the proceedings. The *building official* or any subordinate shall not be liable for cost in any action, suit or proceeding that is instituted in pursuance of the provisions of this code. **R104.9 Approved materials and equipment.** Materials, equipment and devices *approved* by the Bureau of Standards (BSJ) or a BSJ recognized body shall be constructed and installed in accordance with such approval.

R104.9.1 Used materials and equipment. Used materials, *equipment* and devices shall not be reused unless *approved* by the *building official*.

R104.10 Modifications. Where there are practical difficulties involved in carrying out the provisions of this code, the *building official* shall have the authority to grant modifications for individual cases, provided the *building official* shall first find that special individual reason makes the strict letter of this code impractical and the modification is in compliance with the intent and purpose of this code and that such modification does not lessen health, life and fire safety or structural requirements. The details of action granting modifications shall be recorded and entered in the files of the department of building safety.

R104.10.1 Flood hazard areas. The *building official* shall not grant modifications to any provisions required in flood hazard areas as established by Table R301.2(1) unless a determination has been made that:

1. There is good and sufficient cause showing that the unique characteristics of the size, configuration or topography of the site render the elevation standards of Section R322 inappropriate.
2. Failure to grant the modification would result in exceptional hardship by rendering the lot undevelopable.
3. The granting of modification will not result in increased flood heights, additional threats to public safety, extraordinary public expense, cause fraud on or victimization of the public, or conflict with existing laws or ordinances.
4. The modification is the minimum necessary to afford relief, considering the flood hazard.
5. Written notice specifying the difference between the design flood elevation and the elevation to which the building is to be built, stating that the cost of flood insurance will be commensurate with the increased risk resulting from the reduced floor elevation and stating that construction below the design flood elevation increases risks to life and property, has been submitted to the applicant.

R104.11 Alternative materials, design and methods of construction and equipment. The provisions of this code are not intended to prevent the installation of

any material or to prohibit any design or method of construction not specifically prescribed by this code. The *building official* shall have the authority to approve an alternative material, design or method of construction upon application of the owner or the owner's agent. The *Local Authority* shall first find that the proposed design is satisfactory and complies with the

intent of the provisions of this code, and that the material, method or work offered is, for the purpose intended, not less than the equivalent of that prescribed in this code in quality, strength, effectiveness, fire resistance, durability and safety. Compliance with the specific performance-based provisions of the Jamaica Codes shall be an alternative to the specific requirements of this code. Where the alternative material, design or method of construction is not *approved*, the *building official* shall respond in writing, stating the reasons why the alternative was not *approved*.

R104.11.1 Tests.

Whenever there is insufficient evidence of compliance with the provisions of this code, or evidence that a material or method of construction does not conform to the requirements of this code, or in order to substantiate claims for alternative materials or methods, the building official shall have the authority to require tests as evidence of compliance to be made without expense to the jurisdiction. Test methods shall be as specified in this code or by other recognized test standards. In the absence of recognized and accepted test methods, the building official Bureau of Standards Jamaica or any of its recognized testing bodies shall approve the testing procedures. Tests shall be performed by an approved agency. Reports of such tests shall be retained by the building official for the period required for retention of public records.

SECTION R105 BUILDING PERMITS

R105.1 Required. An owner or owner's agent who intends to construct, enlarge, alter, repair, move, demolish or change the occupancy of a building or structure, or to erect, install, enlarge, alter, repair, remove, convert or replace any electrical, gas, mechanical or plumbing system, the installation of which is regulated by this code, or to cause any such work to be performed, shall first apply to the Local Authority for the appropriate building permit.

R105.2 Work exempt from building permit requirements. Exemption from *building permit* requirements of this code shall not be deemed to grant authorization for any work to be done in any manner in violation of the provisions of this code, the Building Act, the National Building Code, any other regulations made under the Building Act or any other enactment for the regulation of buildings. *Building permits* shall not be required for the following:

Building:

1. One-story detached *accessory structures*, provided that the floor area does not exceed 18.6 m² (200 square feet).
2. Fences not over 2,150 mm (7 feet) high.
3. Retaining walls that are not over 1,220 mm (4 feet) in height measured from the bottom of the

footing to the top of the wall, unless supporting a surcharge.

4. Water tanks supported directly upon *grade* if the capacity does not exceed 18,927 L (5,000 gallons) and the ratio of height to diameter or width does not exceed 2 to 1.
5. Sidewalks and driveways.

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6. Painting, papering, tiling, carpeting, cabinets, counter tops and similar finish work.
7. Prefabricated swimming pools that are less than 610 mm (24 inches) deep.
8. Swings and other playground equipment.
9. Window awnings supported by an exterior wall that do not project more than 1,370 mm (54 inches) from the exterior wall and do not require additional support.
10. Decks not exceeding 18.58 m² (200 square feet) in area, that are not more than 760 mm (30 inches) above *grade* at any point, are not attached to a dwelling and do not serve the exit door required by Section R311.4.

are actuated by motors of 746 W (1 horsepower) or less.

Electrical:

1. *Listed* cord-and-plug connected temporary decorative lighting.
2. Reinstallation of attachment plug receptacles but not the outlets therefor.
3. Replacement of branch circuit overcurrent devices of the required capacity in the same location.
4. Electrical wiring, devices, *appliances*, apparatus or *equipment* operating at less than 25 volts and not capable of supplying more than 50 watts of energy.
5. Minor repair work, including the replacement of lamps or the connection of *approved* portable electrical *equipment* to *approved* permanently installed receptacles.

Gas:

1. Portable heating, cooking or clothes drying *appliances*.
2. Replacement of any minor part that does not alter approval of *equipment* or make such *equipment* unsafe.
3. Portable-fuel-cell *appliances* that are not connected to a fixed piping system and are not interconnected to a power grid.

Mechanical:

1. Portable heating *appliances*.
2. Portable ventilation *appliances*.
3. Portable cooling units.
4. Steam, hot- or chilled-water piping within any heating or cooling *equipment* regulated by this code.
5. Replacement of any minor part that does not alter approval of *equipment* or make such *equipment* unsafe.
 6. Portable evaporative coolers.
7. Self-contained refrigeration systems containing 4.54 kg (10 pounds) or less of refrigerant or that

8. Portable-fuel-cell *appliances* that are not connected to a fixed piping system and are not interconnected to a power grid.

Plumbing:

1. The stopping of leaks in drains, water, soil, waste or vent pipe; provided, however, that if any concealed trap, drainpipe, water, soil, waste or vent pipe becomes defective and it becomes necessary to remove and replace the same with new material, such work shall be considered as new work and a *building permit* shall be obtained and inspection made as provided in this code.
2. The clearing of stoppages or the repairing of leaks in pipes, valves or fixtures, and the removal and reinstallation of water closets, provided such repairs do not involve or require the replacement or rearrangement of valves, pipes or fixtures.

R105.2.1 Emergency repairs. Where *equipment* replacements and repairs shall be performed in an emergency situation, the *building permit* application shall be submitted within the next business day to the *Local Authority*.

R105.2.2 Repairs. Application or notice to the *Local Authority* not required for ordinary repairs to structures, replacement of lamps or the connection of *approved* portable electrical *equipment* to *approved* permanently installed receptacles. The repairs shall not include the cutting away of any wall, partition or portion thereof, the removal or cutting of any structural beam or load-bearing support, or the removal or change of any required means of egress, or rearrangement of parts of a structure affecting the egress requirements; nor shall ordinary repairs include *addition* to, *alteration* of, replacement or relocation of any water supply, sewer, drainage, drain leader, gas, soil, waste, vent or similar piping, electric wiring or mechanical or other work affecting public health or general safety.

R105.2.3 Public service agencies/public utility. A *building permit* shall not be required for the installation, *alteration*, repair, generation, transmission, distribution, metering or other related *equipment* that is under the ownership and control of public service agencies by established right or any electric light, telephone, telegraph, water, sewerage, cable or wireless service, system or undertaking and any other service system, or undertaking which the Minister may from time to time declare to be a public utility for the purposes of this code.

R105.3 Application for building permit. To obtain a *building permit*, the applicant shall first file an application therefor in writing on the prescribed form furnished by the department of building safety/Local Authority for that purpose. The application shall:

1. Identify and describe the building work to be covered by the *permit* for which application is made;
2. Describe the land on which the proposed building work is to be done by legal description, street address or similar description that will readily identify and definitely locate the proposed building or work;
3. Indicate the use and occupancy for which the proposed building work is intended;
4. Be accompanied by the Local Authority's requisite copies of *construction documents* and other information as required in Section R106.1;
5. State the valuation of the proposed work;

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6. Be signed by the applicant or the applicant's authorized agent.7. Be accompanied by additional information or document as the Local Authority may specify;8. Except in the case of emergency building works, be accompanied by a copy of the notice of intention to carry out building works 9. Be accompanied by the prescribed application fee.

R105.3.1 Action on application. The *Local Authority* shall examine or cause to be examined applications for *building permits* and amendments thereto within a reasonable time after filing. If the application or the *construction documents* do not conform to the requirements of applicable laws, the *Local Authority* shall reject the application in writing stating the reasons therefor. If the *building official* is satisfied that the proposed work conforms to the requirements of this code and the Building Laws, the *building official* shall issue a *building permit* therefor as soon as practicable.

R105.3.1.1 Determination of substantially improved or substantially damaged existing buildings in flood hazard areas. For applications for reconstruction, rehabilitation, *addition*, alteration, repair or other improvement of existing buildings or structures located in a flood hazard area as established by Table R301.2(1), the *building official* shall examine or cause to be examined the *construction documents* and shall make a determination with regard to the value of the proposed work. For buildings that have sustained damage of any origin, the value of the proposed work shall include the cost to repair the building or structure to its pre-damaged condition. If the *building official* finds that the value of proposed work equals or exceeds 50 percent of the market value of the building or structure before the damage has occurred or the improvement is started, the proposed work is a substantial improvement or repair of substantial damage and the building official shall require existing portions of the entire building or structure to meet the requirements of Section R322.

For the purpose of this determination, a substantial improvement means any repair, reconstruction, rehabilitation, addition or improvement of a building or structure, the cost of which equals or exceeds 50 percent of the market value of the building or structure before the improvement or repair is started. Where the building or structure has sustained substantial damage, repairs necessary to restore the building or structure to its predamaged condition shall be considered substantial improvements regardless of the actual repair work performed. The term shall not include either of the following:

1. improvements to a building or structure that are required to correct existing health, sanitary or safety code violations identified by the building official and that

are the minimum necessary to ensure safe living conditions.

2. any alteration of a historic building or structure, provided that the alteration will not preclude the continued designation of the building or structure as a historic building or structure. For the purposes of this exclusion, a historic building shall be any of the following:

1. Designated or preliminarily determined to be eligible for designation a national monument under the Jamaica Heritage Trust Act.
2. Determined by the Minister with responsibility for building construction as contributing to the historical significance of a public place.

Designated as historic under a historic preservation programme that is approved by the Minister with responsibility for historic buildings and structures .

R105.3.2 Time limitation of application. An application for a *building permit* for any proposed work shall be deemed to have been abandoned 180 days after the date of filing unless the application has been pursued in good faith or a *building permit* has been issued; except that the *building official* may grant one or more extensions of time for additional periods not exceeding 180 days each. The extension shall be requested in writing and justifiable cause demonstrated.

R105.4 Validity of building permit. The issuance or granting of a *building permit* shall not be construed to be a *building permit* for, or an *approval* of, any violation of any of the provisions of this code or of any other ordinance of the *jurisdiction*. *Building permits* presuming to give authority to violate or cancel the provisions of this code or shall not be valid. The issuance of a *building permit* based on *construction documents* and other data shall not prevent the *building official* from requiring the correction of errors in the *construction documents* and other data. The *building official* may prevent occupancy or use of a structure where in violation of this code or of any other ordinances of this *jurisdiction*.

R105.5 Expiration. Every *building permit* issued shall become invalid unless the building work authorized by the *building permit* is commenced within 180 days after its issuance or after commencement of work if more than 180 days pass between inspections. The building official may grant, in writing, one or more extensions of time, for periods not more than 180 days each. The extension shall be requested in writing and justifiable cause demonstrated.

R105.6 Suspension and revocation.

R105.6.1 The *Local Authority* may suspend a *building permit* issued under the provisions of this code if –

- (a) the permit holder has failed to pay any fee or other charge required by this code, the National Building Code or any other regulations made under the Building Act;
- (b) the permit holder is in breach of –
 - (i) any provision of this code, the National Building Code and any other regulations made under the Building Act; or
 - (ii) any term or condition subject to which the building permit is issued;
- (c) it is satisfied that it is not possible to carry out a proper inspection of the building work.

Before suspending a building permit, the Local Authority shall notify the permit holder in writing of the proposed suspension stating the reasons for the suspension and requiring the permit holder, in the case of a breach, to remedy the breach within the time specified in the notice. If the breach is not satisfactorily remedied within the time specified, or such longer time as the Local Authority may allow, the suspension shall thereafter take effect.

A permit holder who is served with a notice shall, after remedying the failure or breach which gave rise to the suspension, notify the Local Authority in writing that the failure or breach has been remedied. The Local Authority shall, upon receipt of a notice –

- (a) in the case falling within section R105.6.1, cause a building official or other authorized person to carry out an inspection of the building work and report thereon to the Local Authority in writing within ten days of the receipt of the notice; and
- (b) withdraw the notice of suspension, if satisfied that the suspension is no longer warranted.

The Local Authority, if satisfied, having regard to the risk to public safety or other public interest concern may suspend a building permit with immediate effect; and shall forthwith notify the permit holder in writing of the suspension.

The suspension shall continue until the Local Authority is satisfied that the circumstances that warranted the suspension have come to an end. The Local Authority shall so inform the permit holder, in writing, of his right to appeal the decision to suspend the building permit.

Where an appeal is made against a decision to suspend a building permit, the suspension shall remain in effect pending the final determination or withdrawal of the appeal.

The Local Authority may revoke a building permit if it is satisfied that –

- (a) a permit holder has failed to comply with this code, the National Building Code and any other regulations made under this code, or any term or condition specified in the permit in relation to the building work, and the failure is sufficiently serious that the building permit ought to be revoked;
- (b) the application for the building permit contains any false or misleading information in any material particular;
- (c) the permit holder has failed to remedy the breach which gave rise to the suspension of the building permit, within the time specified in a notice under that section;
- (d) the circumstances that warranted the suspension of the building permit are such that the building permit ought to be revoked; or
- (e) any fee or other charge payable by the permit holder remains unpaid for a period of ninety days after the suspension of the building permit.

Upon revoking a permit under subsection (1), the Local Authority shall notify the building permit holder, in writing, of the revocation, stating the reasons for the revocation and advising the permit holder, in writing, of his right to appeal the decision to revoke the building permit.

The Local Authority may restore the building permit and cause the Register to be updated accordingly, where the Local Authority is satisfied that the permit holder –

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- (a) took reasonable steps to remedy the breach which gave rise to the suspension of the building permit or as the case may be, within the time specified in a notice; and
- (b) is compliant with this code, the National Building Code and any other regulations made under the Building Act or any term and condition specified in the building permit in relation to the building work.

R105.7 Placement of building permit. The building *building permit* or a copy shall be kept on the site of the building work until the completion of the project.

R105.8 Responsibility. It shall be the duty of every person who performs work for the installation or repair of building, structure, electrical, gas, mechanical or plumbing systems, for which this code is applicable, to comply with this code.

R105.9 Preliminary inspection. Before the Local Authority issues a *building permit*, the *building official* may examine or cause to be examined buildings, structures and sites for which an application has been filed.

SECTION R106 CONSTRUCTION DOCUMENTS

R106.1 Submittal documents. Submittal documents consisting of *construction documents*, and other data shall be submitted in two or more sets with each application for a *building permit*. The *construction documents* shall be prepared by a registered *design building professional* where required by the Building Laws. Where special conditions exist, the *Local Authority* may require additional *construction documents* to be prepared by a registered *design building professional*.

Exception: The *Local Authority* may waive the submission of *construction documents* and other data not required to be prepared by a registered *design building professional* if it is found that the nature of the building work applied for is such that reviewing of *construction documents* is not necessary to obtain compliance with this code.

R106.1.1 Information on construction documents. *Construction documents* shall be drawn upon suitable material. Electronic media documents are permitted to be submitted where *approved* by the *Local Authority*. *Construction documents* shall be of sufficient clarity to indicate the location, nature and extent of the building work proposed and show in detail that it will conform to the provisions of this code and the Building Laws, as determined by the *Local Authority*.

R106.1.2 Manufacturer's installation instructions. Manufacturer's installation instructions, as required by this code, shall be available on the job site at the time of inspection.

R106.1.3 Information on braced wall design. For buildings and structures utilizing braced wall design, and where required by the *Local Authority*, braced wall lines shall be identified on the *construction documents*. Pertinent information including, but not limited to, bracing methods, location and length of *braced wall panels* and foundation requirements of braced wall panels at top and bottom shall be provided.

R106.1.4 Information for construction in flood hazard areas. For buildings and structures located in whole or in part in flood hazard areas as established by Table R301.2(1), *construction documents* shall include:

1. Delineation of flood hazard areas, floodway boundaries and flood zones and the design flood elevation, as appropriate.
2. The elevation of the proposed lowest floor, including *basement*; in areas of shallow flooding (AO Zones), the height of the proposed lowest floor, including *basement*, above the highest adjacent *grade*.
3. The elevation of the bottom of the lowest horizontal structural member in coastal high-hazard areas (V Zone) and in Coastal A Zones where such zones are delineated on flood hazard maps identified in Table R301.2(1) or otherwise delineated by the jurisdiction.

4. If design flood elevations are not included on the community's Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM), the *building official* and the applicant shall obtain and reasonably utilize any design flood elevation and floodway data available from other sources.

R106.2 Site plan or plot plan. The *construction documents* submitted with the application for *building permit* shall be accompanied by a site plan showing the size and location of new construction and existing structures on the site and distances from *lot lines*. In the case of demolition, the site plan shall show construction to be demolished and the location and size of existing structures and construction that are to remain on the site or plot. The *Local Authority* may waive or modify the requirement for a site plan where the application for *building permit* is for *alteration* or repair or where otherwise warranted.

R106.3 Examination of documents. The *building official* shall examine or cause to be examined *construction documents* for code compliance.

R106.3.1 Approval of construction documents. Where the *Local Authority* issues a *building permit*, the *construction documents* shall be *approved* in writing or by a stamp that states "REVIEWED FOR CODE COMPLIANCE." One set of *construction documents* so reviewed shall be retained by the *Local Authority*. The other set shall be returned to the applicant, shall be kept at the site of work and shall be open to inspection by the *building official* or a duly authorized representative.

R106.3.2 Previous approvals. This code shall not require changes in the *construction documents*, construction or designated occupancy of a structure for which a *building permit* has been heretofore issued or otherwise lawfully authorized, and the construction of which has been pursued in good faith within 180 days after the effective date of this code and has not been abandoned.

R106.3.3 Phased approval. The *Local Authority* may issue a *building permit* for the construction of foundations or any other part of a building or structure before the *construction documents* for the whole building or structure have been submitted, provided that adequate information and detailed statements have been filed complying with pertinent requirements of this code. The permit holder for the foundation or other parts of a building or structure shall proceed at the permit holder's own risk with the building operation and without assurance that a *building permit* for the entire structure will be granted.

R106.4 Amended construction documents. Work shall be installed in accordance with the *approved construction documents*, and any changes made during construction that are not in compliance with the *approved construction documents* shall be resubmitted for approval as an amended set of *construction documents*.

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R106.5 Retention of construction documents. One set of *approved construction documents* shall be retained by the *building official* for a period of not less than 180 days from date of completion of the permitted work, or as required by state or local laws.

SECTION R107 TEMPORARY STRUCTURES AND USES

R107.1 General. The *building official* may issue a *building permit* for temporary structures and temporary uses. The building permits shall be limited as to time of service, but shall not be permitted for more than 180 days. The *building official* may grant extensions for demonstrated cause.

R107.2 Conformance. Temporary structures and uses shall conform to the structural strength, fire safety, means of egress, light, ventilation and sanitary requirements of this code as necessary to ensure the public health, safety and general welfare.

R107.3 Temporary power. The *building official* is authorized to give permission to temporarily supply and use power in part of an electric installation before such installation has been fully completed and the final certificate of completion has been issued. The part covered by the temporary certificate shall comply with the requirements specified for temporary lighting, heat or power in the *Jamaica Electrical Code* (based on NFPA 70).

R107.4 Termination of approval. The *building official* may terminate the building permit for a temporary structure or use and to order the temporary structure or use to be discontinued.

SECTION R108 FEES

R108.1 Payment of fees. A *building permit* shall not be valid until the fees prescribed by law have been paid, nor shall an amendment to a *building permit* be released until the additional fee, if any, has been paid.

R108.2 Schedule of building permit fees. On buildings, structures, electrical, gas, mechanical and plumbing systems or *alterations* requiring a *building permit*, a fee for each *building permit* shall be paid as required, in accordance with the schedule as established by the applicable governing authority.

R108.3 Building valuations. Building *permit* valuation shall include total value of the building work for which a *permit* is being issued, such as electrical, gas, mechanical, plumbing *equipment* and other permanent systems, including materials and labor.

R108.4 Related fees. The payment of the fee for the construction, *alteration*, removal or demolition for work done in connection to or concurrently with the building work authorized by a building *building permit* shall not relieve the applicant or permit holder from the payment of other fees that are prescribed by law.

R108.5 Refunds. The *building official* may establish a refund policy.

R108.6 Work commencing before building permit issuance. Any person who commences work requiring a *building permit* on a building, structure, electrical,

gas, mechanical or plumbing system before obtaining the necessary building permits shall be subject to a fee established by the applicable governing authority that shall be in addition to the appropriate building permit fees.

**SECTION R109
INSPECTIONS**

R109.1 Types of inspections. A permit holder or his agent shall not proceed from one stage to the next stage of the building work unless permit holder or his agent has been issued with a certificate of stage of construction compliance by the Local Authority under the Building Act for the previous stage of the permitted building work. A permit holder or his agent who seeks the issuance of a certificate of stage of construction compliance in respect of any stage of the building work, shall give to the Local Authority the prescribed notice of compliance and await the certificate of stage of construction compliance before proceeding to the next stage of the permitted building work.

The Local Authority may make or cause the following types of inspection set out in this section to be made:

R109.1.1 Foundation inspection. Inspection of the foundation shall be made after poles or piers are set or trenches or *basement* areas are excavated and any required forms erected and any required reinforcing steel is in place and supported prior to the placing of concrete. The foundation inspection shall include excavations for thickened slabs intended for the support of bearing walls, partitions, structural supports, or *equipment* and special requirements for wood foundations.

R109.1.2 Plumbing, mechanical, gas and electrical systems inspection. Rough inspection of plumbing, mechanical, gas and electrical systems shall be made prior to covering or concealment, before fixtures or *appliances* are set or installed, and prior to framing inspection.

Exception: Backfilling of ground-source heat pump loop systems tested in accordance with Section M2105.28 prior to inspection shall be permitted.

R109.1.3 Floodplain inspections. For construction in flood hazard areas as established by Table R301.2(1), upon placement of the lowest floor, including *basement*, and prior to further vertical construction, the *building official* shall require submission of documentation, prepared and sealed by a registered *design building professional*, of the elevation of the lowest floor, including *basement*, required in Section R322.

R109.1.4 Frame and masonry inspection. Inspection of framing and masonry construction shall be made after the roof, masonry, framing, firestopping, draftstopping and bracing are in place and after the plumbing, mechanical and electrical rough inspections are *approved*.

R109.1.5 Other inspections. In addition to inspections in Sections R109.1.1 through R109.1.4, the *Local Authority* may make or require any other inspections to ascertain compliance with this code and other laws enforced by the *Local Authority*.**R109.1.5.1 Fire-resistance-rated construction inspection.** Where fire-resistance-rated construction is required between *dwelling units* or due to location on property, the

building official shall require an inspection of such construction after lathing or gypsum board or gypsum panel products are in place, but before any plaster is applied, or before board or panel joints and fasteners are taped and finished.

R109.1.6 Final inspection. Final inspection shall be made after the permitted work is complete and prior to occupancy.

R109.1.6.1 Elevation documentation. If located in a flood hazard area, the documentation of elevations

required in Section R322.1.10 shall be submitted to the

Local Authority prior to the final inspection.

R109.2 Inspection agencies. The *building official* may accept reports of *approved* agencies, provided the agencies satisfy the requirements as to qualifications and reliability.

R109.3 Inspection requests. The *permit holder* or his agent shall notify the *Local Authority* when the building work is ready for inspection. The person requesting any inspections required by this code shall provide access to and means for inspection of the building work.

R109.4 Approval required. Work shall not be done beyond the point indicated in each successive inspection without first obtaining the approval of the *Local Authority*. The *Local Authority*, upon notification, shall make or cause the building official to make the requested inspections and shall either indicate the portion of the construction that is satisfactory as completed, or shall notify the *permit holder* or his agent whether the building works fails to comply with this code. Any portions of the building works that does not comply with the Act or this code shall be corrected and the portion shall not be covered or concealed until authorized by the *building official*.

SECTION R110 CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY

R110.1 Use and occupancy. A building or structure shall not be used or occupied, and a *change of occupancy* or change of use of a building or structure or portion a building or structure shall not be made, until the *Local Authority* has issued a certificate of occupancy. in relation to the building work, on an application by the owner. The Local Authority shall only issue the certificate of occupancy if it is satisfied that

- (a) the building work has been completed in accordance with this Act, the National Building Code or any other regulations made under the Building Act; and
- (b) the whole or part of the building, as the case may be, is suitable and ready for occupancy.

Issuance of a certificate of occupancy shall not be construed as an approval of a violation of the provisions of this code or of any other Building Law. A certificate of occupancy which purports to authorise any person to violate or cancel the provisions of this code or other Building Law shall not be valid.

Exceptions:

1. Certificates of occupancy are not required for work exempt from building permits under Section R105.2.
2. Accessory buildings or structures.

The Local Authority shall issue a certificate of occupancy in relation to building work if, on an application by the owner, the Local Authority is satisfied that -

- (a) the building work has been completed in accordance

with this Act, the National Building Code or any other regulations made under this Act; and

- (b) the whole or part of the building, as the case may be, is suitable and ready for occupancy.

R110.2 Change in use. Changes in the character or use of an existing structure shall not be made except as specified in Sections 507 and 508 of the *Jamaica Existing Building Code*.

R110.3 Certificate of occupancy issued. After the *building official* inspects the building or structure and does not find violations of the provisions of this code or other laws that are enforced by the department of building safety, the *building official* shall issue a certificate of occupancy containing the following:

1. The building *permit* number.
1. The address of the structure.
2. The name and address of the owner or the owner's agent.

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3. A description of that portion of the structure for which the certificate is issued.
4. A statement that the described portion of the structure has been inspected in accordance with this code.
5. The name of the *building official*.
6. The edition of the code under which the *building permit* was issued.
7. If an automatic sprinkler system is provided and whether the sprinkler system is required.
8. Any terms and conditions of the *building permit*.

R110.4 Temporary occupancy. The *building official* may issue a temporary certificate of occupancy before the completion of the entire work covered by the *building permit*, provided that the portion or portions shall be occupied safely. The *building official* shall set a time period during which the temporary certificate of occupancy is valid.

R110.5 Cancellation. The Local Authority shall cancel the certificate of occupancy that relates to a part of a building, if a certificate of occupancy has been issued for a part of the building and the Local Authority, on completion of the whole of the building work, issues a certificate of occupancy for the whole of the building.

The *Local Authority* shall, in writing, cancel a certificate of occupancy if the certificate of occupancy is issued in error, or on the basis of incorrect information supplied, or where it is determined that the building or structure or part of the building or structure is in violation of this code.

**SECTION R111
SERVICE UTILITIES**

R111.1 Connection of service utilities. A person shall not make connections from a utility, source of energy, fuel or power to any building or system that is regulated by this code for which a *building permit* is required, until *approved* by the *Local Authority*.

R111.2 Temporary connection. The *Local Authority* may authorise the temporary connection of the building or system to the utility, source of energy, fuel or power.

R111.3 Authority to disconnect service utilities. The *building official* shall have the authority to authorize disconnection of utility service to the building, structure or system regulated by this code and the referenced codes and standards set forth in

Section R102.4 in case of emergency where necessary to eliminate an immediate hazard to life or property or where such utility connection has been made without the approval required by Section R111.1 or R111.2. The *building official* shall notify the serving utility and where possible the owner or the owner's agent and occupant of the building, structure or service system of the decision to disconnect prior to taking such action. If not notified prior to disconnection, the owner, the owner's agent or occupant of the building, structure or service system shall be notified in writing as soon as practical thereafter.

**SECTION R112
BOARD OF APPEALS**

R112.1 General. In order to hear and decide appeals of orders, decisions or determinations made by the *building official* relative to the application and interpretation of this code, there shall be and is hereby created a board of appeals. The *building official* shall be an ex officio member of said board but shall not have a vote on any matter before the board. The board of appeals shall be appointed by the governing body and shall hold office at its pleasure. The board shall adopt rules of procedure for conducting its business, and shall render decisions and findings in writing to the appellant with a duplicate copy to the *building official*.

R112.2 Limitations on authority. An application for appeal shall be based on a claim that the true intent of this code or the rules legally adopted thereunder have been incorrectly interpreted, the provisions of this code do not fully apply or an equally good or better form of construction is proposed. The board shall not have authority to waive requirements of this code.

R112.3 Qualifications. The board of appeals shall consist of members who are qualified by experience and training to pass judgement on matters pertaining to building construction and are not employees of the *jurisdiction*.

R112.4 Administration. The *building official* shall take immediate action in accordance with the decision of the board.

**SECTION R113
VIOLATIONS**

R113.1 Unlawful acts. A person, firm or corporation that erects, constructs, alters, extends, repairs, moves, removes, demolishes or occupies any building, structure or *equipment* regulated by this code, or cause same to be done, in conflict with or in violation of any of the provisions of this code, commits an offence.

R113.2 Notice of violation. The *building official* is authorized to serve a notice of violation or order on the person responsible for the erection, construction, *alteration*, extension, repair, moving, removal, demolition or occupancy of a building or structure in violation of the provisions of this code, or in violation of a detail statement or a plan *approved* thereunder, or in violation of a *building permit* or certificate issued under the provisions of this code. The order shall direct the discontinuance of the illegal action or condition and the abatement of the violation.

R113.3 Prosecution of violation. If the notice of violation is not complied with in the time prescribed by such notice, the *building official* may request the legal counsel of the *jurisdiction* to institute the appropriate proceeding at law or in equity to restrain, correct or abate such violation, or to require the removal or termination of the unlawful occupancy of

the building or structure in violation of the provisions of this code or of the order or direction made pursuant thereto.

R113.4 Violation penalties. Any person who violates a provision of this code or fails to comply with any of the requirements thereof or who erects, constructs, alters or repairs a building or structure in violation of the *approved construction documents* or directive of the *building official*, or of a *building permit* or certificate issued under the provisions of this code, shall be subject to penalties as prescribed by law.

SECTION R114 STOP WORK ORDERS/STOP NOTICES

R114.1 Notice to owner or the owner's agent. Where the Local Authority has reasonable grounds to suspect that work on any building or structure is being executed contrary to the provisions of this code or in an unsafe and dangerous manner, such work shall be immediately stopped. The stop work notice shall be in writing and shall be given to the owner of the property involved, or to the owner's authorized agent or to the person performing the work and shall state the conditions under which work will be permitted to resume.

114.2.1 Issuance. The stop notice shall be in writing and shall be given to the *owner* of the property involved, the owner's authorized agent or the person performing the work. Upon issuance of a stop notice, the cited work shall immediately cease. The stop notice shall state the reason for the order and the conditions under which the cited work will be permitted to resume. The stop notice remains in effect until the building work required to be completed to comply with a related enforcement notice is certified by the Local Authority as being completed. However, if an enforcement notice is not served before the end of fourteen days after service of the stop notice, the stop notice shall expire.

R114.2 Unlawful continuance. Any person who shall continue any work in or about the structure after having been served with a stop work notice, except such work as that person is directed to perform to remove a violation or unsafe condition, shall be subject to penalties as prescribed by law.

SECTION 115 DANGEROUS STRUCTURES AND EQUIPMENT

115.1 Conditions. A building, wall or another structure, and anything affixed to or projecting from any building, wall or another structure, or equipment that is certified by a Chief Engineering Officer to be in a condition, or as being used in a manner, that constitutes a danger to persons or property; or a nuisance is a dangerous structure. Structures or existing equipment that are or become unsafe, insanitary or deficient because of inadequate means of egress facilities, inadequate light and ventilation, or that constitute a fire hazard, or are otherwise dangerous to human life or the public welfare, or that involve illegal or improper occupancy or inadequate maintenance, shall be deemed as dangerous condition. Unsafe structures shall be taken down and removed or made safe, as the *building official* deems necessary and as provided for in this section. A vacant structure that is not secured against entry shall be deemed

unsafe or dangerous.

115.1.1 Right of Entry. The Local Authority (building official) may enter the land where the dangerous structure is situated and cause all or so much of the dangerous structure to be taken down, repaired, or otherwise stabilized in such manner as the Authority considers appropriate, and recover the expenses as a civil debt in the Parish Court of the parish in which the dangerous structure is or was situated. Where a structure has been certified as a dangerous structure by the Local Authority, a Judge of the Parish Court for the parish in which the structure is situated, if satisfied that the structure is dangerous, may, upon an application by the Chief Engineering Officer or on his own motion, order that any occupant of the structure be removed from the structure forthwith by a constable.

115.2 Record. The *building official* shall cause a report to be filed on a dangerous unsafe condition structure. The report shall state the occupancy of the structure and the nature of the unsafe dangerous condition.

115.3 Notice. If an unsafe condition a dangerous structure is found, the *building official* shall serve on the *owner*, agent or person in control of the structure, a written notice that describes the condition deemed unsafe dangerous and specifies the required repairs or improvements to be made to abate the dangerous condition, or that requires the unsafe dangerous structure to be demolished within a stipulated time. The term "owner", in relation to a dangerous structure, means an owner who at the time when a notice is given is the owner of the land on which the dangerous structure is situated. The notice shall require the person thus notified to declare immediately to the *building official* acceptance or rejection of the terms of the order.

115.4 Method of service. Such The notice shall be deemed properly served if a copy thereof of the notice is: delivered to the *owner* personally; sent by certified or registered mail addressed to the *owner* at the last known address with the return receipt requested; or delivered in any other manner as prescribed by the Building Laws local law. If the certified or registered letter is returned showing that the letter was not delivered, a copy of the letter shall be posted in a conspicuous place in or about the structure affected by the notice. Service of the notice in the foregoing manner on the owner's agent or on the person responsible for the structure shall constitute service of notice on the owner.

11.5 Restoration. Where the structure or equipment determined to be unsafe by the building official is restored to a safe condition, to the extent that repairs, alterations or additions are made or a change of occupancy occurs during the restoration of the structure, the repairs, alterations, additions and change of occupancy shall comply with the requirements of the Jamaica Existing Building Code.

SECTION 116 EMERGENCY MEASURES

116.1 Imminent danger and emergency. When, in the

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opinion of a Local Authority, there is imminent danger of structural failure or collapse of a building or a structure that endangers life, or when any structure or part of a structure has fallen and life is endangered by the occupation of the structure, or when there is actual or potential danger to the building occupants or those in the proximity of any structure because of explosives, explosive fumes or vapors or the presence of toxic fumes, gases or materials, or operation of defective or dangerous equipment, the code official Local Authority is hereby authorized and empowered by Section 2 of the Building Act to promptly co-ordinate action or special regulation of persons or property to:

- a) Protect the health, safety or welfare of persons
- b) Prevent loss or damage to property
- c) Carry out emergency building work immediately before a notice of intention to carry out such building work can be given.

A Local Authority may issue an emergency order if in its opinion the condition of a building or building work that has been carried out, is being carried out or is proposed to be carried out or the land on which the building sits is hazardous or dangerous to building occupants or persons in the immediate vicinity of the building. The type of emergency shall determine the order issued by the Local Authority.

116.1.1 Emergency order to occupants of a building. The Local Authority shall issue an emergency order to the occupants of a building if in its opinion the building is in imminent danger of collapse due to structural damage or failure, building disintegration, explosive sources, poisonous or noxious gases or fumes emanating from the building itself or from the community, serious internal or external fire threats. At the time of issuance of the emergency order the Local Authority shall instruct building occupants on the reason for the emergency order and the conditions to be satisfied for the safe return to the building. Emergency orders issued for any of the abovementioned reasons and shall require the occupants to vacate the affected premises forthwith. In the case of the building's imminent collapse due to structural damage or failure, the code building official shall cause to be posted at each entrance to such structure a notice reading as follows: "This Structure Is Unsafe and Its Occupancy Has Been Prohibited by the Code Official." It shall be unlawful for any person to enter such structure except for the purpose of securing the structure, making the required repairs, removing the hazardous condition or of demolishing the same.

116.1.2 Emergency order to persons affected by active building work. Where in the opinion of the Local Authority building work, such as pouring of a reinforced concrete slab for a building under construction that is over a public thoroughfare or which is abutting or directly over the sidewalk of a public thoroughfare, with the potential for inflicting fatal harm and property damage, the Local Authority may issue an emergency order that forces the building

contractor to implement special measure to mitigate public harm and damage as well as temporarily restrict or prohibit pedestrians and traffic from using the affected area during the period of danger. The Local Authority may also issue emergency order to neighbouring building owners, owners' authorized agents, or occupants of buildings it considers to be exposed to danger if the slab collapses during the concrete pour. Such emergency order could require total, partial or temporary relocation of building occupants.

116.1.3 Emergency order to persons affected by proposed building work. Where in the opinion of the Local Authority the special building work of lifting very heavy loads and its potential for overturning the on-building or ground supported crane doing the lifting, threaten the safety of occupants and property in neighbouring buildings, the Local Authority may issue an emergency order which will:

- a) Provide timely warning to the adjacent building occupants and instruct them vacate the buildings at stated date and time.
- b) Force the contractor to put in place special measures to mitigate harm to the persons and property of neighbouring buildings which could be negatively affected by an overturned crane.
- c) Compel the contractor to organize street and sidewalk closure with the National Works Agency or Local Authority for the required date, time and duration.

116.1.4 Emergency order issuance. The emergency order shall be served on the owner or owner's authorized agent or contractor or occupant of the building or occupier of the land. An emergency order may require the owner or occupier of the land, and the builder carrying out building work on the land to evacuate the building or land, cease the carrying out of building work or carry out building work or other work necessary to make the land safe, including specifying steps to be taken for this purpose or prohibit the occupation or use of the building or land, or any part of the building or land, for a specified period. A person who is the subject of an emergency order issued may, apply to the court for an order to set aside or modify the emergency order. On hearing an application to set aside or modify an emergency order, the court may make such order as it considers appropriate.

116.1.5 Duration of emergency order. An emergency order remains in force until it is set aside or modified; it expires, or it is cancelled by the Local Authority. A Local Authority may cancel an emergency order if the circumstances giving rise to the making of the order have changed; and shall give notice forthwith of the cancellation to the persons on whom it was required to be served. Where an emergency order is not complied with; or the owner of the land is not known to the Local Authority or there is no builder carrying out building work on the land, the Local Authority may authorize the entry upon the land

and taking of any necessary steps to remedy the problem specified in the order. The Local Authority may recover as a civil debt in the Parish Court for the parish in which the land is situate, notwithstanding any limitation as to the amount recoverable under the Judicature (Parish Court) Act from the person who is the owner of the land or the builder, any expenses reasonably incurred by the Local Authority in taking the remedial steps.

116.2 Temporary safeguards. Notwithstanding other provisions of this code, whenever, in the opinion of the codebuilding official, there is imminent danger due to an unsafe condition, the codebuilding official shall order the necessary remedial work to be done, including the boarding up of openings, to render such structure temporarily safe whether or not the legal procedure herein described has been instituted; and shall cause such other action to be taken as the codebuilding official deems necessary to meet such emergency.

116.3 Closing streets. When necessary for public safety, the codebuilding official shall temporarily close structures and close, in the case of Municipality owned steets, or orderrequest the authorityNational Works Agency (NWA) having jurisdiction to immediately close, sidewalks, streets, public ways and places adjacent to unsafe structures or potentially unsafe construction activities, and prohibit the same from being utilized.

116.4 Emergency repairs. For the purposes of this section, the codebuilding official shall employ the necessary labor and materials to perform the required emergency repair work as expeditiously as possible.

116.5 Costs of emergency repairs. Costs incurred in the performance of emergency work shall be paid by the jurisdictionLocal Authority in which the emergency work was done. The legal counsel of the jurisdiction Local Authority shallmay institute appropriate action against the owner of the premises or the owner’s authorized agent where the unsafe/dangerous structure is or was located for the recovery of suchthe costs.

116.6 Hearing. Any person ordered to take emergency measures shall comply with suchthe order forthwith. Any affected person shall thereafter, upon petitionon appeal directed to theBuilding aAppeals boardTribunal, be afforded a hearing as described in this code.

SECTION 117 DEMOLITION

117.1 General.The building official shall order the owner or owner’s authorized agent of any premises upon which is located any structure, which in the codebuilding official’s or owner’s authorized agent judgment after review is so deteriorated or dilapidated or has become so out of repair as to be dangerous, unsafe, insanitary or otherwise unfit for human habitation or occupancy, and such that it is unreasonable to repair the structure, to demolish and remove such structure; or if such structure is capable of being made safe by repairs, to repair and make safe and sanitary, or to board up and hold for future repair or to demolish and remove at the owner’s option; or where there

has been a cessation of normal construction of any structure for a period of more than two years, the codebuilding official shall order the owner or owner’s authorized agent to demolish and remove such structure, or board up until future repair. Boarding the building up for future repair shall not extend beyond one year, unless approved by the building official.

117.2 Notices and orders. Notices and orders shall comply with Section 107.

117.3 Failure to comply. If the owner of a premises or owner’s authorized agent fails to comply with a demolition order within the time prescribed, the codebuilding official shall cause the structure to be demolished and removed, either through an available public agency or by contract or arrangement with private persons, and the cost of such demolition and removal shall be charged against the real estate upon which the structure is located and shall be a lien upon such real estate.

117.4 Salvage materials. Where any structure has been ordered demolished and removed, the governing body or other designated officer under said contract or arrangement aforesaid shall have the right to sell the salvage and valuable materials. The net proceeds of such sale, after deducting the expenses of such demolition and removal, shall be promptly remitted with a report of such sale or transaction, including the items of expense and the amounts deducted, for the person who is entitled thereto, subject to any order of a court. If such a surplus does not remain to be turned over, the report shall so state.

Part II—Definitions

CHAPTER 2

DEFINITIONS

About this chapter: Codes, by their very nature, are technical documents. Every word, term and punctuation mark can add to or change the meaning of a technical requirement. It is necessary to maintain

a consensus on the specific meaning of each term contained in the code. Chapter 2 performs this function by stating clearly what specific terms mean for the purpose of the code.

SECTION R201 GENERAL

R201.1 Scope. Unless otherwise expressly stated, the following words and terms shall, for the purposes of this code, have the meanings indicated in this chapter.

R201.2 Interchangeability. Words used in the present tense include the future; words in the masculine gender include the feminine and neuter; the singular number includes the plural and the plural, the singular.

R201.3 Terms defined in other codes. Not applicable as this is a standalone code.

R201.4 Terms not defined. Where terms are not defined through the methods authorized by this section, such terms shall have ordinarily accepted meanings such as the context implies.

SECTION R202 DEFINITIONS

ABOVE-GRADE WALL. For the definition applicable in Chapter 11, see Section N1101.6.

ACCESS (TO). That which enables a device, an appliance or equipment to be reached by ready access or by a means that first requires the removal or movement of a panel,

1. door or similar obstruction.

ACCESSIBLE. For the definition applicable in Chapter 11, see Section N1101.6.

ACCESSORY STRUCTURE. A structure that is accessory to and incidental to that of the *dwelling(s)* and that is located on the same *lot*.

ADDITION. An extension or increase in floor area, number of stories or height of a building or structure. For the definition applicable in Chapter 11, see Section N1101.6.

ADHERED STONE OR MASONRY VENEER.

Stone or masonry veneer secured and supported through the adhesion of an *approved* bonding material applied to an *approved* backing.

AGGREGATES. Solid constituents such as sand, gravel, crushed stone, slag and recycled aggregates used in the composite materials of concrete and mortar that resists compressive load and provides bulk to the composite material.

AIR ADMITTANCE VALVE. A one-way valve designed to allow air into the plumbing drainage system where a negative pressure develops in the piping. This device shall close by gravity and seal the terminal under conditions of zero differential pressure (no flow conditions) and under positive internal pressure.

AIR BARRIER. For the definition applicable in Chapter 11, see Section N1101.6.

AIR BREAK (DRAINAGE SYSTEM). An arrange-

ment where a discharge pipe from a fixture, *appliance* or device drains indirectly into a receptor below the flood-

AIR CIRCULATION, FORCED. A means of providing space conditioning utilizing movement of air

AIR-CONDITIONING SYSTEM. A system that consists of heat exchangers, blowers, filters, supply, exhaust and return-air systems, and shall include any apparatus installed in connection therewith.

AIR GAP, DRAINAGE SYSTEM. The unobstructed vertical distance through free atmosphere between the outlet of a waste pipe and the flood-level rim of the fixture or receptor into which it is discharging.

AIR GAP, WATER-DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM. The unobstructed vertical distance through free atmosphere between the lowest opening from a water supply discharge to the flood-level rim of a plumbing fixture.

AIR-IMPERMEABLE INSULATION. An insulation having an air permeance equal to or less than 0.02 L/s-m^2 at 75 Pa pressure differential as tested in accordance with ASTM E2178 or E283. For the definition applicable in Chapter 11, see Section N1101.6.

level rim of the receptor and above the trap seal.

through ducts or plenums by mechanical means.

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ALTERATION. Any construction, retrofit or renovation to an existing structure other than repair or addition that requires a building permit. Also, a change in a building, electrical, gas, mechanical or plumbing system that involves an extension, addition or change to the arrangement, type or purpose of the original installation that requires a building permit. For the definition applicable in Chapter 11, see Section N1101.6.

ALTERNATING TREAD DEVICE. A device that has a series of steps between 50 and 70 degrees (0.87 and 1.22 rad) from horizontal, usually attached to a center support rail in an alternating manner so that the user does not have both feet on the same level at the same time.

ANCHORED STONE OR MASONRY VENEER. Stone or masonry veneer secured with *approved* mechanical fasteners to an *approved* backing.

ANCHORS. See “Supports.”

ANTISIPHON. A term applied to valves or mechanical devices that eliminate siphonage.

APPLIANCE. A device or apparatus that is manufactured and designed to utilize energy and for which this code provides specific requirements.

APPROVED. Acceptable to the *building official*.

APPROVED AGENCY. An established and recognized agency that is regularly engaged in conducting tests, furnishing inspection services or furnishing product certification, and has been *approved* by the building official. For the definition applicable in Chapter 11, see Section N1101.6.

APPROVED SOURCE. An independent person, firm or corporation, *approved* by the *building official*, who is competent and experienced in the application of engineering principles to materials, methods or systems analyses.

ASPECT RATIO. The ratio of longest to shortest perpendicular dimensions, or for wall sections, the ratio of height to length.

ATTIC. The unfinished space between the ceiling assembly and the roof assembly.

ATTIC, HABITABLE. A finished or unfinished *habitable space* within an *attic*.

AUTOMATIC. For the definition applicable in Chapter 11, see Section N1101.6.

BACKFLOW, DRAINAGE. A reversal of flow in the drainage system.

BACKFLOW PREVENTER. A backflow prevention assembly, a backflow prevention device or other means or method to prevent backflow into the potable water supply.

BACKFLOW PREVENTER, REDUCED-PRESSURE-ZONE TYPE. A backflow-prevention device consisting of two independently acting check valves, internally force loaded to a normally closed position and separated by an intermediate chamber (or zone) in which there is an automatic relief means of venting to atmosphere internally loaded to a normally open position between two tightly closing shut-off valves and with means for testing for tightness of the checks and opening of relief means.

BACKFLOW, WATER DISTRIBUTION. The flow of water or other liquids into the potable water-supply piping from any sources other than its intended source. Backsiphonage is one type of backflow.

BACKPRESSURE. Pressure created by any means in the water distribution system that by being in excess of the pressure in the water supply mains causes a potential backflow condition.

BACKPRESSURE, LOW HEAD. A pressure less than or equal to 29.9 kPa (4.33 psi) or the pressure exerted by a 3,050 mm (10-foot) column of water.

BACKSIPHONAGE. The flowing back of used or contaminated water from piping into a potable water-supply pipe due to a negative pressure in such pipe.

BACKWATER VALVE. A device installed in a drain or pipe to prevent backflow of sewage.

BASEMENT. A *story* that is not a *story above grade plane*. (see “Story above grade plane”).

BASEMENT WALL. For the definition applicable in Chapter 11, see Section N1101.6.

BASIC WIND SPEED. Three-second gust speed at 10,050 mm (33 feet) above the ground in Exposure C (see Section R301.2.1) as given in Figure R301.2(5)A.

BATHROOM GROUP. A group of fixtures, including or excluding a bidet, consisting of a water closet, lavatory, and bathtub or shower. Such fixtures are located together on the same floor level.

BATTERY SYSTEM, STATIONARY STORAGE. A rechargeable energy storage system consisting of electrochemical storage batteries, battery chargers, controls and associated electrical *equipment* designed to provide electrical power to a building. The system is typically used to provide standby or emergency power, an uninterruptible power supply, load shedding, load sharing or similar capabilities.

BEND. A drainage fitting, designed to provide a change in direction of a drain pipe of less than the angle specified by the amount necessary to establish the desired slope of the line (see “Elbow” and “Sweep”).

BOILER. A self-contained *appliance* from which hot water is circulated for heating purposes and then returned to the boiler, and that operates at water pressures not exceeding 1,100 kPa gauge (160 pounds per square inch gage (psig)) and at water temperatures not exceeding 250°F (121°C).

BOND BEAM. A horizontal grouted element within masonry in which reinforcement is embedded.

BRACED WALL LINE. A straight line through the building plan that represents the location of the lateral resistance provided by the wall bracing.

BRACED WALL LINE, CONTINUOUSLY SHEATHED. A *braced wall line* with structural sheathing applied to all sheathable surfaces including the areas above and below openings.

BRACED WALL PANEL. A full-height section of wall constructed to resist in-plane shear loads through interaction of framing members, sheathing material and

anchors.

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The panel's length meets the requirements of its particular bracing method, and contributes toward the total amount of bracing required along its *braced wall line* in accordance with Section R602.10.1.

BRANCH. Any part of the piping system other than a riser, main or stack.

BRANCH, FIXTURE. See "Fixture branch, drainage."

BRANCH, HORIZONTAL. See "Horizontal r to convey water to branches or fixture groups."

BRANCH, VENT. A vent connecting two or more individual vents with a vent stack or stack vent.

BTU/H. The *listed* maximum capacity of an *appliance*, absorption unit or burner expressed in British thermal units input per hour.

BUILDING. Any one- or two-family dwelling or portion thereof, including *townhouses*, used or intended to be used for human habitation, for living, sleeping, cooking or eating purposes, or any combination thereof, or any *accessory structure*. For the definition applicable in Chapter 11, see Section N1101.6.

BUILDING DRAIN. The lowest piping that collects the discharge from all other drainage piping inside the house and extends 760 mm (30 inches) in *developed length* of pipe, beyond the *exterior walls* and conveys the drainage to the *building sewer*.

BUILDING, EXISTING. Existing building is a building erected prior to the adoption of this code, or one for which a *building permit* has been issued.

BUILDING-INTEGRATED PHOTOVOLTAIC PRODUCT. A building product that incorporates photovoltaic modules and functions as a component of the building envelope.

BUILDING-INTEGRATED PHOTOVOLTAIC ROOF PANEL (BIPV Roof Panel). A *photovoltaic panel* that functions as a component of the building envelope.

BUILDING LINE. The line established by law, beyond which a building shall not extend, except as specifically provided by law.

BUILDING OFFICIAL. The officer or other designated authority charged with the administration and enforcement of this code, or a duly authorized representative. For the definition applicable in Chapter 11, see Section N1101.6. This definition shall not cover electrical works which is governed by separate laws, regulations and a separate entity known as the Government Electrical Inspectorate.

BUILDING PRACTITIONERS. Persons with Jamaica Building Practitioner's Board recognized qualification and experience in one or more of the categories of construction management, construction supervision, contracting, technicians, draughting,

branch, drainage." **BRANCH INTERVAL.** A vertical measurement of distance, 2,450 mm (8 feet) or more in *developed length*, between the connections of horizontal branches to a drainage stack. Measurements are taken down the stack from the highest horizontal branch connection.

BRANCH, MAIN. A water-distribution pipe that extends horizontally off a main or rise

tradesmen and special equipment operators and who are licensed in Jamaica by the Board to undertake designated work which may include design of non-complex buildings (simple buildings) of 300 square meters or less which are compliant with the Jamaica Small Building/Residential Code only. Building Practitioners with a building design license shall not seek building permit under the Jamaica Building Code.

BUILDING PROFESSIONALS. Persons who have graduated from an accredited professional degree program, have acquired sufficient Registration Board recognized work experience within their discipline, passed any required professional entry examination required and are registered by the Government of Jamaica Professional Registration Board in the disciplines of architecture or engineering or land surveying and has the competence to undertake on his own design of building elements or systems.

BUILDING SEWER. That part of the drainage system that extends from the end of the *building drain* and conveys its discharge to a public sewer, private sewer, individual sewage-disposal system or other point of disposal.

BUILDING SITE. For the definition applicable in Chapter 11, see Section N1101.6.

BUILDING THERMAL ENVELOPE. For the definition applicable in Chapter 11, see Section N1101.6.

BUILT-UP ROOF COVERING. Two or more layers of felt cemented together and surfaced with a cap sheet, mineral aggregate, smooth coating or similar surfacing material.

BUILDING WORKS. The design, construction, erection, alteration, repair, extension, modification, demolition, or removal of a building and all activities relating thereto such as:

- a) Change of class or use of a building under the Building Codes
- b) Any operation normally undertaken by a person carrying on the business of building construction. This includes construction works external of the building such as fencing, landscaping, retaining walls, sewage disposal and driveways.

CAP PLATE. The top plate of the double top plates used in structural insulated panel (SIP) construction. The cap plate is cut to match the panel thickness such that it overlaps the wood structural panel facing on both sides.

CARBON MONOXIDE ALARM. A single- or multiple-station alarm intended to detect carbon monoxide gas and alert occupants by a distinct audible signal. It incorporates a sensor, control components and an alarm notification appliance in a single unit.

CARBON MONOXIDE DETECTOR. A device with an integral sensor to detect carbon monoxide gas and transmit an alarm signal to a connected alarm control unit.

CARPORT. A non-habitable room attached to or detached from a dwelling unit that is opened on at least one side and is used for the parking of one or more cars.

CEILING. The overhead viewable surface or surfaces covering a room, and the underside of a floor or a roof. Ceilings are often used to hide unseemly floor and roof construction.

CEILING, FURRED. A ceiling in which the furring units (thin strips of wire, wood or metal) used to level a ceiling are attached directly to the structural units of the building.

CEILING HEIGHT. The clear vertical distance from the finished floor to the finished ceiling.

CEMENT PLASTER. A mixture of Portland or blended cement, Portland cement or blended cement and hydrated lime, masonry cement or plastic cement and aggregate and other *approved* materials as specified in this code.

CHANGE OF BUILDING USE. A change in the use of a building or a portion of a building that results in any of the following:

1. A change of occupancy classification.
2. A change from one group to another group within an occupancy classification.

3. Any change in use within a group for which there is a change in application of the requirements of this code.

CHANGE OF OCCUPANCY. This term had to be replaced by “Change of building use” because it is widely used in the Planning Act where it has a vastly different meaning from that in this code. Legal advisers have stated that to use this term in the Jamaica National Building Codes will inevitably lead to confusion and litigation losses in the area change of occupancy as lawyers exploit the widely different meaning in the codes and the Planning Act.

CHIMNEY. A primary vertical structure containing one or more flues, for the purpose of carrying gaseous products of combustion and air from a fuel-burning *appliance* to the outside atmosphere.

CHIMNEY CONNECTOR. A pipe that connects a fuel-burning *appliance* to a chimney.

CHIMNEY TYPES.

Residential-type appliance. An *approved* chimney for removing the products of combustion from fuel-burning, residential-type *appliances* producing combustion gases not in excess of 538°C (1,000°F) under normal operating conditions, and capable of producing combustion gases of 760°C (1,400°F) during intermittent forces firing for periods up to 1 hour. All temperatures shall be measured at the *appliance* flue outlet. Residential-type *appliance* chimneys include masonry and factory-built types.

CIRCUIT VENT. A vent that connects to a horizontal drainage branch and vents two traps to not more than eight traps or trapped fixtures connected into a battery.

CIRCULATING HOT WATER SYSTEM. A specifically designed water distribution system where one or more pumps are operated in the service hot water piping to circulate heated water from the water-heating equipment to fixtures and back to the water-heating equipment. For the definition applicable in Chapter 11, see Section N1101.6.

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CLADDING. The exterior materials that cover the surface of the building envelope that is directly loaded by the wind.

CLEANOUT. An opening in the drainage system used for the removal of possible obstruction and located to allow for access.

CLIMATE ZONE. A geographical region based on climatic criteria as specified in this code. For the definition applicable in Chapter 11, see Section N1101.6.

CLOSET. A small room or chamber used for storage.

COLLAPSIBLE SOILS. Soils that exhibit volumetric reduction in response to partial or full wetting under load.

COLLECTION PIPE. Unpressurized pipe used within the collection system that drains on-site nonpotable water or rainwater to a storage tank by gravity.

COMBINATION WASTE AND VENT SYSTEM.

A specially designed system of waste piping embodying the horizontal wet venting of one or more sinks, lavatories or floor drains by means of a common waste and vent pipe adequately sized to provide free movement of air above the flow line of the drain.

COMBUSTIBLE MATERIAL. Any material not defined as noncombustible.

COMBUSTION AIR. The air provided to fuel-burning equipment including air for fuel combustion, draft hood dilution and ventilation of the equipment enclosure.

COMMON VENT. A single pipe venting two trap arms within the same branch interval, either back-to-back or one above the other.

COMPLEX BUILDINGS. Buildings with the following technical complexities which if not designed by registered building professionals are unlikely to withstand the many severe natural hazards to which Jamaica is frequently exposed:

1. Buildings of large sizes with or without very large halls or rooms
2. Buildings that are irregular in shape or have configurations differing markedly from the square or traditional rectangular shapes.
3. Buildings with complex structures such as cantilevers, spiral staircases or storeys in excess of two.
4. Buildings where sections of an exterior shear panels or reinforced frame are not in one plane vertically from the foundation to the uppermost storey in which they are required.
5. Buildings where shear panel or reinforced frame members are not oriented in mutually perpendicular directions.
6. Buildings where sections of the shear panel or reinforced frame on any one storey above grade are constructed of dissimilar bracing systems.
7. Buildings where a section of a floor or roof is not laterally supported by a shear panel or reinforced frame on all edges.

8. Buildings where an opening in a floor or roof exceeds the lesser of 3.60 m² or 50% of the smaller dimension of the slab.
9. Building where portions of a suspended floor are vertically offset.
- 10 Buildings on virgin slopes greater than one vertical to three horizontal.
11. Buildings in expansive soils or land slippage or flood prone areas.

COMPLEX BUILDING SERVICES.

Buildings with services that are technically complex and require Registered Professionals with the requisite skills to properly undertake the design. Technical services that shall cause a building to be a complex service building requiring engineering design attention are as follows:

1. Buildings having 3-phase electrical distribution system or a single phase system in excess of 70 Amps mains breaker.
2. Buildings with a central air-conditioning, cooling or heating/cooling system.
3. Plumbing systems requiring hot and cold water piping and have a minimum of 12 plumbing units.
4. Sewage systems requiring secondary or tertiary treatment.
5. Buildings with one or more automatic sprinkler system.
6. Buildings with in-built medical services such as gases.

] COMPRESSIBLE SOILS. Soils that exhibit volumetric reduction in response to the application of load even in the absence of wetting or drying.

CONDENSATE. The liquid that separates from a gas due to a reduction in temperature; for example, water that condenses from flue gases and water that condenses from air circulating through the cooling coil in air conditioning equipment.

CONDENSING APPLIANCE. An appliance that condenses water generated by the burning of fuels.

CONDITIONED AIR. Air treated to control its temperature, relative humidity or quality.

CONDITIONED FLOOR AREA. For the definition applicable in Chapter 11, see Section N1101.6.

CONDITIONED SPACE. For the definition applicable in Chapter 11, see Section N1101.6.

CONSTRUCTION DOCUMENTS. Written, graphic and pictorial documents prepared or assembled for describing the design, location and physical characteristics of the elements of a project necessary for obtaining a building permit. Construction drawings shall be drawn to an appropriate scale.

CONTAMINATION. A high-hazard or health-hazard impairment of the quality of the potable water that creates an actual hazard to the public health through poisoning or

through the spread of disease by sewage, industrial fluids or waste.

able in Chapter 11, see Section N1101.6.

CONTINUOUS INSULATION (ci). For the definition applicable in Chapter 11, see Section N1101.6.

CONTINUOUS WASTE. A drain from two or more similar adjacent fixtures connected to a single trap.

CONTROL, LIMIT. An automatic control responsive to changes in liquid flow or level, pressure, or temperature for limiting the operation of an *appliance*.

CONTROL, PRIMARY SAFETY. A safety control responsive directly to flame properties that senses the presence or absence of flame and, in event of ignition failure or unintentional flame extinguishment, automatically causes shutdown of mechanical *equipment*.

CONVECTOR. A system incorporating a heating element in an enclosure in which air enters an opening below the heating element, is heated and leaves the enclosure through an opening located above the heating element.

CORE. The lightweight middle section of a structural insulated panel, composed of foam plastic insulation, that provides the link between the two facing shells.

CORROSION RESISTANCE. The ability of a material to withstand deterioration of its surface or its properties where exposed to its environment.

COURT. A space, open and unobstructed to the sky, located at or above *grade* level on a *lot* and bounded on three or more sides by walls or a building.

CRAWL SPACE. An underfloor space that is not a basement.

CRAWL SPACE WALL. For the definition applicable in Chapter 11, see Section N1101.6.

CRIPPLE WALL. A framed wall extending from the top of the foundation to the underside of the floor framing of the first *story above grade plane*.

CROSS CONNECTION. Any connection between two otherwise separate piping systems that allows a flow from one system to the other.

CROSS-LAMINATED TIMBER. A prefabricated engineered wood product consisting of not less than three layers of solid-sawn lumber or *structural composite lumber* where the adjacent layers are cross-oriented and bonded with structural adhesive to form a solid wood element.

CURTAIN WALL. For the definition applicable in Chapter 11, see Section N1101.6.

DALLE GLASS. A decorative composite glazing material made of individual pieces of glass that are embedded in a cast matrix of concrete or epoxy.

CONTINUOUS AIR BARRIER. For the definition applicable

DAMPER, VOLUME. A device that will restrict, retard or direct the flow of air in any duct, or the products of combustion of heat-producing *equipment*, vent connector, vent or chimney.

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DEAD LOADS. The weight of the materials of construction incorporated into the building, including but not limited to walls, floors, roofs, ceilings, stairways, built-in partitions, finishes, cladding, and other similarly incorporated architectural and structural items, and fixed service *equipment*.

DECORATIVE GLASS. A carved, leaded or Dalle glass or glazing material with a purpose that is decorative or artistic, not functional; with coloring, texture or other design qualities or components that cannot be removed without destroying the glazing material; and with a surface, or assembly into which it is incorporated, that is divided into segments.

DEMAND RECIRCULATION WATER SYSTEM.

For the definition applicable in Chapter 11, see Section N1101.6.

DESIGN EARTHQUAKE GROUND MOTION. The earthquake ground motion that buildings and structures are specifically proportioned to resist

DESIGN FLOOD. The flood associated with the greater of the following two areas:

1. Area with a flood plain subject to a 1-percent or greater chance of flooding in any year.
2. Area designated as a flood hazard area on a community's flood hazard map, or otherwise legally designated.

DESIGN FLOOD ELEVATION. The elevation of the "design flood," including wave height, relative to the datum specified on the community's legally

DRAFT. The pressure difference existing between the *appliance* or any component part and the atmosphere, that causes a continuous flow of air and products of combustion through the gas passages of the *appliance* to the atmosphere.

Induced draft. The pressure difference created by the action of a fan, blower or ejector, that is located between the *appliance* and the chimney or vent termination.

Natural draft. The pressure difference created by a vent or chimney because of its height, and the temperature difference between the flue gases and the atmosphere.

DRAFT HOOD. A device built into an *appliance*, or a part of the vent connector from an *appliance*, that is designed to provide for the ready escape of the flue gases from the *appliance* in the event of no draft, backdraft or stoppage beyond the draft hood; prevent a backdraft from entering the *appliance*; and neutralize the effect of stack action of the chimney or gas vent on the operation of the *appliance*.

designated flood hazard map. In areas designated as Zone AO, the design flood elevation shall be the elevation of the highest existing grade of the building's perimeter plus the depth number (in mm [feet]) specified on the flood hazard map. In areas designated as Zone AO where a depth number is not specified on the map, the depth number shall be taken as being equal to 600 mm (2 ft)

DESIGN PROFESSIONAL. See "*Registered design building professional*."

DEVELOPED LENGTH. The length of a pipeline measured along the center line of the pipe and fittings.

DIAMETER. Unless specifically stated, the term "diameter" is the nominal diameter as designated by the *approved* material standard.

DIAPHRAGM. A horizontal or nearly horizontal system acting to transmit lateral forces to the vertical resisting elements. Where the term "*diaphragm*" is used, it includes horizontal bracing systems.

DILUTION AIR. Air that enters a draft hood or draft regulator and mixes with flue gases.

DIRECT SYSTEM. A solar thermal system in which the gas or liquid in the solar collector loop is not separated from the load.

DIRECT-VENT APPLIANCE. A fuel-burning *appliance* with a sealed combustion system that draws all air for combustion from the outside atmosphere and discharges all flue gases to the outside atmosphere.

DRAFT REGULATOR. A device that functions to maintain a desired draft in the *appliance* by automatically reducing the draft to the desired value.

DRAFT STOP. A material, device or construction installed to restrict the movement of air within open spaces of concealed areas of building components such as crawl spaces, floor-ceiling assemblies, roof-ceiling assemblies and *attics*.

DRAIN. Any pipe that carries soil and waterborne wastes in a building drainage system.

DRAIN-BACK SYSTEM. A solar thermal system in which the fluid in the solar collector loop is drained from the collector into a holding tank under prescribed circumstances.

DRAINAGE FITTING. A pipe fitting designed to provide connections in the drainage system that have provisions for establishing the desired slope in the system. These fittings are made from a variety of both metals and plastics. The methods of coupling provide for required slope in the system.

DUCT. For the definition applicable in Chapter 11, see Section N1101.6.

DUCT SYSTEM. A continuous passageway for the transmission of air that, in addition to ducts, includes duct fittings, dampers, plenums, fans and accessory air-handling

equipment and appliances.

For the definition applicable in Chapter 11, see Section N1101.6.

DWELLING. Any building that contains one or two *dwelling units* used, intended, or designed to be built, used, rented, leased, let or hired out to be occupied, or that are occupied for living purposes.

DWELLING UNIT. A single unit providing complete independent living facilities for one or more persons, including permanent provisions for living, sleeping, eating, cooking and sanitation. For the definition applicable in Chapter 11, see Section N1101.6.

DWV. Abbreviated term for drain, waste and vent piping as used in common plumbing practice.

EFFECTIVE OPENING. The minimum cross-sectional area at the point of water-supply discharge, measured or expressed in terms of diameter of a circle and if the opening is not circular, the diameter of a circle of equivalent cross-sectional area. (This is applicable to air gap.)

ELBOW. A pressure pipe fitting designed to provide an exact change in direction of a pipe run. An elbow provides a sharp turn in the flow path (see “Bend” and “Sweep”).

EMERGENCY ESCAPE AND RESCUE OPENING. An operable exterior window, door or similar device that provides for a means of escape and access for rescue in the event of an emergency. (See also “Grade floor opening.”)

ENERGY ANALYSIS. For the definition applicable in Chapter 11, see Section N1101.6.

ENERGY COST. For the definition applicable in Chapter 11, see Section N1101.6.

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ENERGY SIMULATION TOOL. For the definition applicable in Chapter 11, see Section N1101.6.

ENGINEERED WOOD RIM BOARD. A full-depth structural composite lumber, wood structural panel, structural glued laminated timber or prefabricated wood I-joist member designed to transfer horizontal (shear) and vertical (compression) loads, provide attachment for *diaphragm* sheathing, siding and exterior deck ledgers and provide lateral support at the ends of floor or roof joists or rafters.

EQUIPMENT. Piping, ducts, vents, control devices and other components of systems other than *appliances* that are permanently installed and integrated to provide control of environmental conditions for buildings. This definition shall also include other systems specifically regulated in this code.

EQUIVALENT LENGTH. For determining friction losses in a piping system, the effect of a particular fitting equal to the friction loss through a straight piping length of the same nominal diameter.

ERI REFERENCE DESIGN. For the definition applicable in Chapter 11, see Section N1101.6.

ESCARPMENT. With respect to topographic wind effects, a cliff or steep slope generally separating two levels or gently sloping areas.

ESSENTIALLY NONTOXIC TRANSFER FLUIDS. Fluids having a Gosselin rating of 1, including propylene glycol; mineral oil; polydimethyl oil oxane; hydrochlorofluorocarbon, chlorofluorocarbon and hydrofluorocarbon refrigerants; and FDA-approved boiler water additives for steam boilers.

ESSENTIALLY TOXIC TRANSFER FLUIDS. Soil, water or graywater and fluids having a Gosselin rating of 2 or more including ethylene glycol, hydrocarbon oils, ammonia refrigerants and hydrazine.

EVAPORATIVE COOLER. A device used for reducing air temperature by the process of evaporating water into an airstream.

EXCESS AIR. Air that passes through the combustion chamber and the *appliance* flue in excess of what is theoretically required for complete combustion.

EXHAUST HOOD, FULL OPENING. An exhaust hood with an opening not less than the diameter of the connecting vent.

EXISTING INSTALLATIONS. Any plumbing system regulated by this code that was legally installed prior to the effective date of this code, or for which a *building permit* to install has been issued.

EXPANSIVE SOILS. Soils that exhibit volumetric increase or decrease (swelling or shrinking) in response to partial or full wetting or drying under load.

EXTERIOR INSULATION AND FINISH SYSTEMS (EIFS). EIFS are nonstructural, nonload-bearing *exterior wall* cladding systems that consist of an insulation board attached either adhesively or mechanically, or both, to the substrate; an integrally reinforced base coat; and a textured protective finish coat.

EXTERIOR INSULATION AND FINISH SYSTEMS (EIFS) WITH DRAINAGE. An EIFS that incorporates a means of drainage applied over a water-resistive barrier.

EXTERIOR WALL. For the definition applicable in Chapter 11, see Section N1101.6.

EXTERIOR WALL COVERING. A material or assembly of materials applied on the exterior side of exterior walls for the purpose of providing a weather-resistive barrier, insulation or for aesthetics, including but not limited to, veneers, siding, exterior insulation and finish systems, architectural trim and embellishments such as cornices, soffits, and fascias.

FACING. The wood structural panel facings that form the two outmost rigid layers of the structural insulated panel.

FACTORY-BUILT CHIMNEY. A *listed* and *labeled* chimney composed of factory-made components assembled in the field in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions and the conditions of the *listing*.

FACTORY-MADE AIR DUCT. A *listed* and *labeled* duct manufactured in a factory and assembled in the field in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions and conditions of the *listing*.

FENESTRATION. Products classified as either vertical fenestration or skylights and sloped glazing, installed in such a manner as to preserve the weather-resistant barrier of the wall or roof in which they are installed. Fenestration includes products with glass or other transparent or translucent materials.

For the definition applicable in Chapter 11, see Section N1101.6.

Skylights. For the definition applicable in Chapter 11, see Section N1101.6.

Vertical fenestration. For the definition applicable in Chapter 11, see Section N1101.6.

FENESTRATION, VERTICAL. Windows that are fixed or movable, opaque doors, glazed doors, glazed block and combination opaque and glazed doors installed in a wall at less than 15 degrees from vertical.

For the definition applicable in Chapter 11, see Section N1101.6.

FENESTRATION PRODUCT, SITE-BUILT. For the definition applicable in Chapter 11, see Section N1101.6.

FIBER-CEMENT (BACKERBOARD, SIDING, SOFFIT, TRIM AND UNDER-LAYMENT) PRODUCTS. Manufactured thin section composites of hydraulic cementitious matrices and discrete nonasbestos fibers.

FIRE SEPARATION DISTANCE. The distance measured from the building face to one of the following:

1. To the closest interior *lot line*.
2. To the centerline of a street, an alley or

public way.

3. To an imaginary line between two buildings on the *lot*.

The distance shall be measured at a right angle from the face of the wall.

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FIREBLOCKING. Building materials or materials *approved* for use as fireblocking, installed to resist the free passage of flame to other areas of the building through concealed spaces.

FIREPLACE. An assembly consisting of a hearth and fire chamber of noncombustible material and provided with a chimney, for use with solid fuels.

Factory-built fireplace. A *listed* and *labeled* fireplace and chimney system composed of factory-made components, and assembled in the field in accordance with manufacturer's instructions and the conditions of the listing.

Masonry fireplace. A field-constructed fireplace composed of *solid masonry* units, bricks, stones or concrete.

FIREPLACE STOVE. A free-standing, chimney-connected solid-fuel-burning heater designed to be operated with the fire chamber doors in either the open or closed position.

FIREPLACE THROAT. The opening between the top of the firebox and the smoke chamber.

FIRE-RETARDANT-TREATED WOOD. Pressure-treated lumber and plywood that exhibit reduced surface burning characteristics and resist propagation of fire.

Other means during manufacture. A process where the wood raw material is treated with a fire-retardant formulation while undergoing creation as a finished product.

Pressure process. A process for treating wood using an initial vacuum followed by the introduction of pressure above atmospheric.

FIXTURE. See "Plumbing fixture."

FIXTURE BRANCH, DRAINAGE. A drain serving two or more fixtures that discharges into another portion of the drainage system.

FIXTURE BRANCH, WATER-SUPPLY. A water-supply pipe between the fixture supply and a main water-distribution pipe or fixture group main.

FIXTURE DRAIN. The drain from the trap of a fixture to the junction of that drain with any other drain pipe.

FIXTURE FITTING.

Supply fitting. A fitting that controls the volume or directional flow or both of water and that is either attached to or accessed from a fixture or is used with an open or atmospheric discharge.

Waste fitting. A combination of components that conveys the sanitary waste from the outlet of a fixture to the connection of the sanitary drainage system.

[MP] FIXTURE GROUP, MAIN. The main water-distribution pipe (or secondary branch) serving a plumbing fixture grouping such as a bath, kitchen or laundry area to which two or more individual fixture branch pipes are connected.

[MP] FIXTURE SUPPLY. The water-supply pipe connecting a fixture or fixture fitting to a fixture branch.

[MP] FIXTURE UNIT, DRAINAGE (d.f.u.). A measure of probable discharge into the drainage system by various types of plumbing fixtures, used to size DWV piping systems. The drainage fixture-unit value for a particular fixture depends on

its volume rate of drainage discharge, on the time duration of a single drainage operation and on the average time between successive operations.

measure of the probable hydraulic demand on the water supply by various types of plumbing fixtures used to size water-piping systems. The water-supply fixture-unit value for a particular fixture depends on its volume rate of supply, on the time duration of a single supply operation and on the average time between successive operations.

FLAME SPREAD. The propagation of flame over a surface.

FLAME SPREAD INDEX. A comparative measure, expressed as a dimensionless number, derived from visual measurements of the spread of flame versus time for a material tested in accordance with ASTM E84 or UL 723.

FLEXIBLE AIR CONNECTOR. A conduit for transferring air between an air duct or plenum and an air terminal unit, an air inlet or an air outlet. Such conduit is limited in its use, length and location.

FLIGHT. A continuous run of rectangular treads or winders or combination thereof from one landing to another.

FLOOD or FLOODING. A general and temporary condition of partial or complete inundation of normally dry land from:

1. The overflow of inland or tidal waters.
2. The unusual and rapid accumulation or runoff of surface waters from any source.

FLOOD DAMAGE-RESISTANT MATERIALS. Any construction material capable of withstanding direct and prolonged contact with floodwaters without sustaining any damage that requires more than cosmetic repair.

FLOOD HAZARD AREA. The greater of the following two areas:

1. The area within a flood plain subject to a 1-percent or greater chance of flooding in any year.
2. The area designated as a flood hazard area on a community's flood hazard map, or otherwise legally designated.

FLOOD-LEVEL RIM. The edge of the receptor or fixture from which water overflows.

FLOOR DRAIN. A plumbing fixture for recess in the floor having a floor-level strainer intended for the purpose of the collection and disposal of wastewater used in cleaning the floor and for the collection and disposal of accidental spillage to the floor.

FLOOR FURNACE. A self-contained furnace suspended from the floor of the space being heated, taking air for combustion from outside such space, and with means for lighting the *appliance* from such space.

FLOW PRESSURE. The static pressure reading in the water-supply pipe near the faucet or water outlet while the faucet or water outlet is open and flowing at capacity.

FIXTURE UNIT, WATER-SUPPLY (w.s.f.u.). A

FLUE. See "Vent."

FLUE, APPLIANCE. The passages within an *appliance* through which combustion products pass from the combustion chamber to the flue collar.

FLUE COLLAR. The portion of a fuel-burning *appliance* designed for the attachment of a draft hood, vent connector or venting system.

FLUE GASES. Products of combustion plus excess air in *appliance* flues or heat exchangers.

FLUSH VALVE. A device located at the bottom of a flush tank that is operated to flush water closets.

FLUSHOMETER TANK. A device integrated within an air accumulator vessel that is designed to discharge a predetermined quantity of water to fixtures for flushing purposes.

FLUSHOMETER VALVE. A flushometer valve is a device that discharges a predetermined quantity of water to

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fixtures for flushing purposes and is actuated by direct water pressure.

FOAM BACKER BOARD. Foam plastic used in siding applications where the foam plastic is a component of the siding.

FOAM PLASTIC INSULATION. A plastic that is intentionally expanded by the use of a foaming agent to produce a reduced-density plastic containing voids consisting of open or closed cells distributed throughout the plastic for thermal insulating or acoustic purposes and that has a density less than 320 kg/m³ (20 pounds per cubic foot) 320 kg/m³ unless it is used as interior trim.

FOAM PLASTIC INTERIOR TRIM. Exposed foam plastic used as picture molds, chair rails, crown moldings, baseboards, handrails, ceiling beams, door trim and window trim and similar decorative or protective materials used in fixed applications.

FUEL-PIPING SYSTEM. All piping, tubing, valves and fittings used to connect fuel utilization *equipment* to the point of fuel delivery.

FULL-OPEN VALVE. A water control or shutoff component in the water supply system piping that, where adjusted for maximum flow, the flow path through the component's closure member is not a restriction in the component's through-flow area.

FULLWAY VALVE. A valve that in the full open position has an opening cross-sectional area that is not less than 85 percent of the cross-sectional area of the connecting pipe.

FURNACE. A vented heating *appliance* designed or arranged to discharge heated air into a *conditioned space* or through a duct or ducts.

GARAGE. A non-habitable room attached to or detached from a dwelling unit that is entirely enclosed and used for the parking of one or more cars.

GLAZING AREA. The interior surface area of all glazed fenestration, including the area of sash, curbing or other framing elements, that enclose *conditioned space*. Includes the area of glazed fenestration assemblies in walls bounding conditioned *basements*.

GRADE. The finished ground level adjoining the building at all *exterior walls*.

GRADE, PIPING. See "Slope."

GRADE FLOOR OPENING. A window or other opening located such that the sill height of the opening is not more than 1,120 mm (44 inches) above or below the finished ground level adjacent to the opening. (See also "Emergency escape and rescue opening.")

GRADE PLANE. A reference plane representing the average of the finished ground level adjoining the building at all *exterior walls*. Where the finished ground level slopes away from the *exterior walls*, the reference plane shall be established by the lowest points within the area between the building and the *lot line* or, where the *lot line* is more than 1,830 mm (6 feet) from the building between the structure and a point 1,830 mm (6 feet) from the building.

GRAYWATER. Waste discharged from lavatories, bath-

tubs, showers, clothes washers and laundry trays.

GRIDDED WATER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM. A water distribution system where every water distribution pipe is interconnected so as to provide two or more paths to each fixture supply pipe.

GROSS AREA OF EXTERIOR WALLS. The normal projection of all *exterior walls*, including the area of all windows and doors installed therein.

GROUND-SOURCE HEAT PUMP LOOP SYSTEM. Piping buried in horizontal or vertical excavations or placed in a body of water for the purpose of transporting heat transfer liquid to and from a heat pump. Included in this definition are closed loop systems in which the liquid is recirculated and open loop systems in which the liquid is drawn from a well or other source.

GUARD. A building component or a system of building components located near the open sides of elevated walking surfaces that minimizes the possibility of a fall from the walking surface to the lower level.

GUESTROOM. Any room or rooms used or intended to be used by one or more guests for living or sleeping purposes.

GYPSUM BOARD. The generic name for a family of sheet products consisting of a noncombustible core primarily of gypsum with paper surfacing. Gypsum

HEATED SLAB. For the definition applicable in Chapter 11, see Section N1101.6.

HEIGHT, BUILDING. The vertical distance from *grade plane* to the average height of the highest roof surface.

HEIGHT, STORY. The vertical distance from top to top of two successive tiers of beams or finished floor surfaces; and, for the topmost *story*, from the top of the floor finish to the top of the ceiling joists or, where there is not a ceiling, to the top of the roof rafters.

HIGH-EFFICACY LAMPS. For the definition applicable in Chapter 11, see Section N1101.6.

wallboard, gypsum sheathing, gypsum base for gypsum *vener* plaster, exterior gypsum soffit board, predecorated gypsum board and water-resistant gypsum backing board complying with the standards listed in Section R702.3 and Part IX of this code are types of gypsum board.

GYPSUM PANEL PRODUCT. The general name for a family of sheet products consisting essentially of gypsum.

HABITABLE SPACE. A space in a building for living, sleeping, eating or cooking. Bathrooms, toilet rooms, closets, halls, storage or utility spaces and similar areas are not considered *habitable spaces*.

HANDRAIL. A horizontal or sloping rail intended for grasping by the hand for guidance or support.

HANGERS. See “Supports.”

HAZARDOUS LOCATION. Any location considered to be a fire hazard for flammable vapors, dust, combustible fibers or other highly combustible substances.

HEAT PUMP. An *appliance* having heating or heating and cooling capability and that uses refrigerants to extract heat from air, liquid or other sources.

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HIGH-TEMPERATURE (H.T.) CHIMNEY. A high temperature chimney complying with the requirements of UL

103. A Type H.T. chimney is identifiable by the markings "Type H.T." on each chimney pipe section.

HILL. With respect to topographic wind effects, a land surface characterized by strong relief in any horizontal direction.

HISTORIC BUILDING. A building or structure that is one or more of the following:

1. Listed, or certified as eligible for listing, by the State Historic Preservation Officer or the Keeper of the National Register of Historic Places in the National Register of Historic Places.
2. Designated as historic under an applicable state or local law.
3. Certified as a contributing resource within a National Register-listed, or a state-designated or locally designated historic district.

For the definition applicable in Chapter 11, see Section N1101.6.

HORIZONTAL BRANCH, DRAINAGE. A drain pipe extending laterally from a soil or waste stack or *building drain*, that receives the discharge from one or more *fixture drains*.

HORIZONTAL PIPE. Any pipe or fitting that makes an angle of less than 45 degrees (0.79 rad) with the horizontal.

HOT WATER. Water at a temperature greater than or equal to 43°C (110°F).

HURRICANE-PRONE REGIONS. Areas vulnerable to hurricanes, defined as the U.S. Atlantic Ocean and Gulf of Mexico coasts where the ultimate design wind speed, V_{ult} , is greater than 51 m/s (115 miles per hour), and Hawaii, Puerto Rico, Guam, Virgin Islands and American Samoa.

HYDROGEN-GENERATING APPLIANCE. A self-contained package or factory-matched packages of integrated systems for generating gaseous hydrogen. Hydrogen-generating *appliances* utilize electrolysis, reformation, chemical or other processes to generate hydrogen.

IGNITION SOURCE. A flame, spark or hot surface capable of igniting flammable vapors or fumes. Such sources include *appliance* burners, burner ignitions and electrical switching devices.

IMPACT PROTECTIVE SYSTEM. Construction that has been shown by testing to withstand the impact of test missiles and that is applied, attached, or locked over exterior glazing.

INDIRECT SYSTEM. A solar thermal system in which the gas or liquid in the solar collector loop circulates between the solar collector and a heat exchanger and such gas or liquid is not drained from the system or supplied to the load during normal

operation.

INDIRECT WASTE PIPE. A waste pipe that discharges into the drainage system through an *air gap* into a trap, fixture or receptor.

INDIVIDUAL SEWAGE DISPOSAL SYSTEM.

A system for disposal of sewage by means of a septic tank or mechanical treatment, designed for use apart from a public sewer to serve a single establishment or building.

INDIVIDUAL VENT. A pipe installed to vent a single *fixture drain* that connects with the vent system above or terminates independently outside the building.

INDIVIDUAL WATER SUPPLY. A supply other than an approved public water supply that serves one or more families.

INFILTRATION. For the definition applicable in Chapter 11, see Section N1101.6.

INSULATED SIDING. A type of continuous insulation, with manufacturer-installed insulating material as an integral part of the cladding product, having a minimum *R*-value of R-2. For the definition applicable in Chapter 11, see Section N1101.6.

INSULATED VINYL SIDING. A vinyl cladding product, with manufacturer-installed foam plastic insulating material as an integral part of the cladding product, having a thermal resistance of not less than R-2.

INSULATING CONCRETE FORM (ICF). A concrete forming system using stay-in-place forms of rigid foam plastic insulation, a hybrid of cement and foam insulation, a hybrid of cement and wood chips, or other insulating material for constructing cast-in-place concrete walls.

INSULATING SHEATHING. An insulating board having a thermal resistance of not less than R-2 of the core material. For the definition applicable in Chapter 11, see Section N1101.6.

JURISDICTION. The Municipality that has governing responsibility for the area where a requirement of this code is to be or is being or has been implemented.

KITCHEN. Kitchen means an area used, or designated to be used, for the preparation of food.

LABEL. An identification applied on a product by the manufacturer that contains the name of the manufacturer, the function and performance characteristics of the product or material, and the name and identification of an *approved agency* and that indicates that the representative sample of the product or material has been tested and evaluated by an *approved agency*. (See also “Manufacturer’s designation” and “Mark.”)

LABELED. *Equipment*, materials or products to which have been affixed a *label*, seal, symbol or other identifying *mark* of a nationally recognized testing laboratory, approved agency or other organization concerned with product evaluation that maintains periodic inspection of the production of such *labeled* items and whose labeling indicates either that the *equipment*, material or product meets identified standards or has been tested and found suitable for a specified purpose. For the definition applicable in Chapter 11, see Section N1101.6.

LIGHT-FRAME CONSTRUCTION. Construction whose vertical and horizontal structural elements are primar-

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ily formed by a system of repetitive wood or cold-formed steel framing members.

LISTED. *Equipment*, materials, products or services included in a list published by an organization acceptable to the Local Authority and concerned with evaluation of products or services that maintains periodic inspection of production of *listed equipment* or materials or periodic evaluation of services and whose listing states either that the *equipment*, material, product or service meets identified standards or has been tested and found suitable for a specified purpose. For the definition applicable in Chapter 11, see Section N1101.6.

LIVE LOADS. Those loads produced by the use and occupancy of the building or other structure and do not include construction or environmental loads such as wind load, rain load, earthquake load, flood load or dead load.

LIVING SPACE. Space within a *dwelling unit* utilized for living, sleeping, eating, cooking, bathing, washing and sanitation purposes.

LOAD-BEARING WALL Any wall that supports a vertical load in addition to its own weight. This wall specifically includes:

- a. Any metal or wood stud that supports more than 1.50 kN/m of vertical load in addition to its own weight; or
- b. Any reinforced masonry or concrete wall that supports more than 3 kN/m of vertical load in addition to its own weight.

LOCAL EXHAUST. An exhaust system that uses one or more fans to exhaust air from a specific room or rooms within a dwelling.

LOCKING-TYPE TAMPER-RESISTANT CAP. A cap designed to be unlocked by a specially designed tool or key to prevent removal of the cap by means of hand-loosening or by commonly available tools.

LODGING HOUSE. A one-family dwelling where one or more occupants are primarily permanent in nature, and rent is paid for guestrooms.

LOT. A portion or parcel of land considered as a unit.

LOT LINE. A line dividing one *lot* from another, or from a street or any public place.

LOW-VOLTAGE LIGHTING. For the definition applicable in Chapter 11, see Section N1101.6.

MACERATING TOILET SYSTEMS. A system comprised of a sump with macerating pump and with connections for a water closet and other plumbing fixtures, that is designed to accept, grind and pump wastes to an *approved* point of discharge.

MAIN. The principal pipe artery to which branches may be connected.

MAIN SEWER. See "Public sewer."

MANIFOLD WATER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEMS. A fabricated piping arrangement in which a large supply main is fitted with multiple branches in close proximity in which water is distributed separately to fixtures from each branch.

MANUAL. For the definition applicable in Chapter 11, see

Section N1101.6.

MANUFACTURED HOME. *Manufactured home* means a structure, transportable in one or more sections, that in the traveling mode is 2,450 body mm (8 body feet) or more in width or 12,200 mm (40 body feet) or more in length, or, where erected on site, is 30 m² (320 square feet) or more, and that is built on a permanent chassis and designed to be

used as a *dwelling* with or without a permanent foundation where connected to the required utilities, and includes the plumbing, heating, air-conditioning and electrical systems contained therein; except that such term shall include any structure that meets all the requirements of this paragraph except the size requirements and with respect to which the manufacturer voluntarily files a certification to the Bureau of Standards Jamaica and complies with the standards established under this title. For mobile homes built prior to June 15, 1976, a *label* certifying compliance to the Standard for Mobile Homes, NFPA 501, in effect at the time of manufacture is required. For the purpose of these provisions, a mobile home shall be considered to be a *manufactured home*.

MANUFACTURER'S DESIGNATION. An identification applied on a product by the manufacturer indicating that a product or material complies with a specified standard or set of rules. (See also "Mark" and "Label.")

MANUFACTURER'S INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS. Printed instructions included with *equipment* as part of the conditions of their *listing* and *labeling*.

MARK. An identification applied on a product by the manufacturer indicating the name of the manufacturer and the function of a product or material. (See also "Manufacturer's designation" and "Label.")

MASONRY. A built up construction process using units of blocks, tiles or other materials made from clay, shale, concrete, glass, gypsum or stone that are bonded together with or without mortar or grout or other accepted method of joining.

MASONRY CHIMNEY. A field-constructed chimney composed of solid masonry units, bricks, stones or concrete.

MASONRY HEATER. A masonry heater is a solid fuel burning heating *appliance* constructed predominantly of concrete or solid masonry having a mass of not less than 500 kg (1,100 pounds), excluding the chimney and foundation. It is designed to absorb and store a substantial portion of heat from a fire built in the firebox by routing exhaust gases through internal heat exchange channels in which the flow path downstream of the firebox includes not less than one 180-degree (3.14-rad) change in flow direction before entering the chimney and that deliver heat by radiation through the masonry surface of the heater.

MASONRY, SOLID. Masonry consisting of solid masonry units laid contiguously with the joints between the units filled with mortar.

MASONRY UNIT. Brick, tile, stone, architectural cast stone, glass block or concrete block conforming to the requirements specified in Section 2103 of the *Jamaica Building Code*.

Clay. A building unit larger in size than a brick,

composed of burned clay, shale, fire clay or mixtures thereof.

Concrete. A building unit or block larger in size than 305 mm by 100 mm by 100 mm (12 inches by 4 inches by 4 inches) made of cement and suitable aggregates.

Glass. Nonload-bearing masonry composed of glass units bonded by mortar.

Hollow. A masonry unit with a net cross-sectional area in any plane parallel to the loadbearing surface that is less than 75 percent of its gross cross-sectional area measured in the same plane.

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Solid. A masonry unit with a net cross-sectional area in every plane parallel to the loadbearing surface that is 75 percent or more of its cross-sectional area measured in the same plane.

MEAN ROOF HEIGHT. The average of the roof eave height and the height to the highest point on the roof surface, except that eave height shall be used for roof angle of less than or equal to 10 degrees (0.18 rad).

MECHANICAL DRAFT SYSTEM. A venting system designed to remove flue or vent gases by mechanical means, that consists of an induced draft portion under non-positive static pressure or a forced draft portion under positive static pressure.

Forced draft venting system. A portion of a venting system using a fan or other mechanical means to cause the removal of flue or vent gases under positive static pressure.

Induced draft venting system. A portion of a venting system using a fan or other mechanical means to cause the removal of flue or vent gases under nonpositive static vent pressure.

Power venting system. A portion of a venting system using a fan or other mechanical means to cause the removal of flue or vent gases under positive static vent pressure.

MECHANICAL EXHAUST SYSTEM. A system for removing air from a room or space by mechanical means.

MECHANICAL JOINT.

1. A connection between pipes, fittings or pipes and fittings that is not welded, brazed, caulked, soldered, solvent cemented or heat-fused.
2. A general form of gas- or liquid-tight connections obtained by the joining of parts through a positive holding mechanical construction such as, but not limited to, flanged, screwed, clamped or flared connections.

MECHANICAL SYSTEM. A system specifically addressed and regulated in this code and composed of components, devices, *appliances* and *equipment*.

METAL ROOF PANEL. An interlocking metal sheet having an installed weather exposure of not less than 0.28 m² (3 square feet) per sheet.

METAL ROOF SHINGLE. An interlocking metal sheet having an installed weather exposure less than 0.28 m² (3 square feet) per sheet.

MEZZANINE. An intermediate level or levels between the floor and ceiling of any *story*.

MODIFIED BITUMEN ROOF COVERING. One or more layers of polymer modified asphalt sheets. The sheet materials shall be fully adhered or mechanically

attached to the substrate or held in place with an *approved* ballast layer.

MULTIPLE-STATION SMOKE ALARM. Two or more single-station alarm devices that are capable of inter-connection such that actuation of one causes all integral or separate audible alarms to operate.

NAILABLE SUBSTRATE. A product or material such as framing, sheathing or furring, composed of wood or wood-based materials, or other materials and fasteners providing equivalent fastener withdrawal resistance.

NATURAL DRAFT SYSTEM. A venting system designed to remove flue or vent gases under nonpositive static vent pressure entirely by natural draft.

NATURALLY DURABLE WOOD. The heartwood of the following species with the exception that an occasional piece with corner sapwood is permitted if 90 percent or more of the width of each side on which it occurs is heartwood.

Decay resistant. Redwood, cedar, black locust and black walnut.

Termite resistant. Alaska yellow cedar, redwood, Eastern red cedar and Western red cedar including all sapwood of Western red cedar.

NONCOMBUSTIBLE MATERIAL. Materials that pass the test procedure for defining noncombustibility of elementary materials set forth in ASTM E136.

NOSING. The leading edge of treads of stairs and of landings at the top of stairway flights.

OCCUPIED SPACE. The total area of all buildings or structures on any *lot* or parcel of ground projected on a horizontal plane, excluding permitted projections as allowed by this code.

OFFSET. A combination of fittings that makes two changes in direction, bringing one section of the pipe out of line and into a line parallel with the other section.

ON-SITE NONPOTABLE WATER REUSE SYSTEMS. Water systems for the collection, treatment, storage, distribution, and reuse of nonpotable water generated on site, including but not limited to graywater systems. This definition does not include rainwater harvesting systems.

OPAQUE DOOR. For the definition applicable in Chapter 11, see Section N1101.6.

OWNER. Any person, agent, firm or corporation having a legal or equitable interest in the property.

PAN FLASHING. Corrosion-resistant flashing at the base of an opening that is integrated into the building exterior wall to direct water to the exterior and is premanufactured, fabricated, formed or applied at the job site.

PANEL THICKNESS. Thickness of core plus two layers of structural wood panel facings.

PELLET FUEL-BURNING APPLIANCE. A closed combustion, vented *appliance* equipped with a fuel feed mechanism for burning processed pellets of solid fuel of a specified size and composition.

PELLET VENT. A vent *listed* and *labeled* for use with a *listed* pellet fuel-burning *appliance*.

PERFORMANCE CATEGORY. A designation of wood

structural panels as related to the panel performance used in Chapters 4, 5, 6 and 8.

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BUILDING PERMIT. An official document or certificate issued by the *building official* that authorizes performance of a specified building activity.

PERSON. An individual, heirs, executors, administrators or assigns, and a firm, partnership or corporation, its or their successors or assigns, or the agent of any of the aforesaid.

PHOTOVOLTAIC MODULE. A complete, environmentally protected unit consisting of solar cells, optics and other components, exclusive of a tracker, designed to generate DC power where exposed to sunlight.

PHOTOVOLTAIC PANEL. A collection of photovoltaic modules mechanically fastened together, wired, and designed to provide a field-installable unit.

PHOTOVOLTAIC PANEL SYSTEM. A system that incorporates discrete photovoltaic panels that convert *pace* being conditioned.

PLUMBING. For the purpose of this code, plumbing refers to those installations, repairs, maintenance and *alterations* regulated by Chapters 25 through 33.

PLUMBING APPLIANCE. An energized household *appliance* with plumbing connections, such as a dishwasher, food waste disposer, clothes washer or water heater.

PLUMBING APPURTENANCE. A device or assembly that is an adjunct to the basic plumbing system and does not demand additional water supply or add any discharge load to the system. It is presumed that it performs some useful function in the operation, maintenance, servicing, economy or safety of the plumbing system. Examples include filters, relief valves and aerators.

PLUMBING FIXTURE. A receptacle or device that is connected to a water supply system or discharges to a drainage system or both. Such receptacles or devices require a supply of water; or discharge liquid waste or liquidborne solid waste; or require a supply of water and discharge waste to a drainage system.

PLUMBING SYSTEMS. Includes the water distribution pipes; plumbing fixtures and traps; water-treating or water-using *equipment*; soil, waste and vent pipes; and building drains; in addition to their respective connections, devices and appurtenances within a structure or premises; and the water service, building sewer and building storm sewer serving such structure or premises.

solar radiation into electricity, including rack support systems.

PHOTOVOLTAIC SHINGLES. A *roof covering* that resembles shingles and that incorporates photovoltaic modules.

PITCH. See "Slope."

PLASTIC COMPOSITE. A generic designation that refers to wood-plastic composites and plastic lumber.

PLATFORM CONSTRUCTION. A method of construction by which floor framing bears on load bearing walls that are not continuous through the *story* levels or floor framing.

PLENUM. A chamber that forms part of an air-circulation system other than the *occupied* s

POLLUTION. A low-hazard or nonhealth-hazard impairment of the quality of the potable water to a degree that does not create a hazard to the public health and that does adversely and unreasonably affect the aesthetic qualities of such potable water for domestic use.

POLYPROPYLENE SIDING. A shaped material, made principally from polypropylene homopolymer, or copolymer, that in some cases contains fillers or reinforcements, that is used to clad *exterior walls* or buildings.

PORTABLE-FUEL-CELL APPLIANCE. A fuel cell generator of electricity that is not fixed in place. A portable-fuel-cell *appliance* utilizes a cord and plug connection to a grid-isolated load and has an integral fuel supply.

POSITIVE ROOF DRAINAGE. The drainage condition in which consideration has been made for the loading deflections of the roof deck, and additional slope has been provided to ensure drainage of the roof within 48 hours of precipitation.

POTABLE WATER. Water free from impurities present in amounts sufficient to cause disease or harmful physiological effects and conforming in bacteriological and chemical quality to the requirements of the public health authority having jurisdiction.

PRECAST CONCRETE. A structural concrete element cast elsewhere than its final position in the structure.

PRECAST CONCRETE FOUNDATION WALLS. Preengineered, precast concrete wall panels that are designed to withstand specified stresses and used to build below-*grade* foundations.

PRESSURE-RELIEF VALVE. A pressure-actuated valve held closed by a spring or other means and designed to automatically relieve pressure at the pressure at which it is set.

PROPOSED DESIGN. For the definition applicable in Chapter 11, see Section N1101.6.

PUBLIC SEWER. A common sewer directly
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controlled by public authority.

PUBLIC WATER MAIN. A water-supply pipe for public use controlled by public authority.

PUBLIC WAY. Any street, alley or other parcel of land open to the outside air leading to a public street, that has been deeded, dedicated or otherwise permanently appropriated to the public for public use and that has a clear width and height of not less than 3,050 mm (10 feet).

PURGE. To clear of air, gas or other foreign substances.

QUICK-CLOSING VALVE. A valve or faucet that closes automatically when released manually or controlled by mechanical means for fast-action closing.

RACKING. Building tilt (mostly temporary) as their structural components are forced out of plumb by seismic or high wind loads.

RAMP. A walking surface that has a running slope steeper than 1 unit vertical in 20 units horizontal (5-percent slope).

RATED DESIGN. For the definition applicable in Chapter 11, see Section N1101.6.

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READILY ACCESSIBLE. For the definition applicable in Chapter 11, see Section N1101.6.

READY ACCESS (TO). That which enables a device, *appliance* or *equipment* to be directly reached, without requiring the removal or movement of any panel, door or similar obstruction.

RECEPTOR. A fixture or device that receives the discharge from indirect waste pipes.

RECLAIMED WATER. Nonpotable water that has been derived from the treatment of wastewater by a facility or system licensed or permitted to produce water meeting Jamaica's water standards for its intended uses. Also known as "Recycled water."

REFRIGERANT. A substance used to produce refrigeration by its expansion or evaporation.

REFRIGERANT COMPRESSOR. A specific machine, with or without accessories, for compressing a given refrigerant vapour.

REFRIGERATING SYSTEM. A combination of interconnected parts forming a closed circuit in which refrigerant is circulated for the purpose of extracting, then rejecting, heat. A direct refrigerating system is one in which the evaporator or condenser of the refrigerating system is in direct contact with the air or other substances to be cooled or heated. An indirect refrigerating system is one in which a secondary coolant cooled or heated by the refrigerating system is circulated to the air or other substance to be cooled or heated.

REGISTERED DESIGN BUILDING PROFESSIONAL. An individual who is registered to practice their respective design profession as defined by the statutory requirements of the governing professional registration law and who is also recognized by the Building Act of Jamaica as a Building Professional.

RELIEF VALVE, VACUUM. A device to prevent excessive buildup of vacuum in a pressure vessel.

REPAIR. The reconstruction, replacement or renewal of any part of an existing building for the purpose of its maintenance or to correct damage.

For the definition applicable in Chapter 11, see Section N1101.6.

REROOFING. The process of recovering or replacing an existing roof covering. See "Roof recover."

For the definition applicable in Chapter 11, see Section N1101.6.

RESIDENTIAL BUILDING. For the definition applicable in Chapter 11, see Section N1101.6.

RETURN AIR. Air removed from an *approved conditioned space* or location and recirculated or exhausted.

RIDGE. With respect to topographic wind effects, an elongated crest of a *hill* characterized by strong relief

in two directions.

RISER (PLUMBING). A water pipe that extends vertically one full *story* or more to convey water to branches or to a group of fixtures.

RISER (STAIR). The vertical component of a step or stair.

ROOF ASSEMBLY. A system designed to provide weather protection and resistance to design loads. The system consists of a roof covering and roof deck or a single component serving as both the roof covering and the roof deck. A roof assembly includes the roof deck, underlayment and *roof covering*, and can also include a thermal barrier, ignition barrier, insulation or a vapour retarder. For the definition applicable in Chapter 11, see Section N1101.6.

ROOF COATING. A fluid-applied, adhered coating used for roof maintenance or *roof repair*, or as a component of a *roof covering* system or *roof assembly*.

ROOF COVERING. The covering applied to the roof deck for weather resistance, fire classification or appearance.

ROOF COVERING SYSTEM. See “Roof assembly.”

ROOF DECK. The flat or sloped surface not including its supporting members or vertical supports.

ROOF RECOVER. The process of installing an additional *roof covering* over a prepared existing roof covering without removing the existing roof covering. For the definition applicable in Chapter 11, see Section N1101.6.

ROOF REPAIR. Reconstruction or renewal of any part of an existing roof for the purposes of its maintenance. For the definition applicable in Chapter 11, see Section N1101.6.

ROOF REPLACEMENT. The process of removing the existing *roof covering*, repairing any damaged substrate and installing a new *roof covering*. For the definition applicable in Chapter 11, see Section N1101.6.

ROOM HEATER. A free-standing heating *appliance* installed in the space being heated and not connected to ducts.

ROUGH-IN. The installation of the parts of the plumbing system that shall be completed prior to the installation of fixtures. This includes DWV, water supply and built-in fixture supports.

RUNNING BOND. The placement of masonry units such that head joints in successive courses are horizontally offset not less than one-quarter the unit length.

R-VALUE (THERMAL RESISTANCE). For the definition applicable in Chapter 11, see Section N1101.6.

SANITARY SEWER. A sewer that carries sewage and excludes storm, surface and groundwater.

SCUPPER. An opening in a wall or parapet that allows water to drain from a roof.

SEISMIC DESIGN CATEGORY (SDC). A classification assigned to a structure based on its occupancy category and the severity of the design earthquake ground motion at the site.

SEPTIC TANK. A water-tight receptor that receives the

discharge of a building sanitary drainage system and is constructed so as to separate solids from the liquid, digest organic matter through a period of detention, and allow the

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liquids to discharge into the soil outside of the tank through a system of open joint or perforated piping or a seepage pit.

SERVICE WATER HEATING. For the definition applicable in Chapter 11, see Section N1101.6.

SEWAGE. Any liquid waste containing animal matter, vegetable matter or other impurity in suspension or solution.

SEWAGE PUMP. A permanently installed mechanical device for removing sewage or liquid waste from a sump.

SHALL. The term, where used in the code, is construed as mandatory.

SHINGLE FASHION. A method of installing roof or wall coverings, water-resistive barriers, flashing or other building components such that upper layers of material are placed overlapping lower layers of material to provide drainage and protect against water intrusion at unsealed penetrations and joints or in combination with sealed joints.

SINGLE-PLY MEMBRANE. A roofing membrane that is field applied using one layer of membrane material (either homogeneous or composite) rather than multiple layers.

SINGLE-STATION SMOKE ALARM. An assembly incorporating the detector, control *equipment* and alarm sounding device in one unit that is operated from a power supply either in the unit or obtained at the point of installation.

SKYLIGHT. For the definition applicable in Chapter 11, see Section N1101.6.

SKYLIGHT, UNIT. A factory assembled, glazed fenestration unit, containing one panel of glazing material, that allows for natural daylighting through an opening in the roof assembly while preserving the weather-resistant barrier of the roof.

SKYLIGHTS AND SLOPED GLAZING. Glass or other transparent or translucent glazing material installed at a slope of 15 degrees (0.26 rad) or more from vertical. Unit skylights, tubular daylighting devices and glazing materials in solariums, sunrooms, roofs and sloped walls are included in this definition. For the definition applicable in Chapter 11, see Section N1101.6.

SLIP JOINT. A mechanical-type joint used primarily on fixture traps. The joint tightness is obtained by compressing a friction-type washer such as rubber, nylon, neoprene, lead or special packing material against the pipe by the tightening of a (slip) nut.

SLOPE. The fall (pitch) of a line of pipe in reference to a horizontal plane. In drainage, the slope is expressed as the fall in units vertical per units horizontal (percent) for a length of pipe.

SMOKE-DEVELOPED INDEX. A comparative measure, expressed as a dimensionless number, derived from

measurements of smoke obscuration versus time for a material tested in accordance with ASTM E84 or UL 723.

SOIL STACK OR PIPE. A pipe that conveys sewage containing fecal material.

SOLAR ENERGY SYSTEM. A system that converts solar radiation to usable energy, including *photovoltaic panel systems* and *solar thermal systems*.

SOLAR HEAT GAIN COEFFICIENT (SHGC). For the definition applicable in Chapter 11, see Section N1101.6.

SOLAR THERMAL COLLECTOR. Components in a *solar thermal system* that collect and convert solar radiation to thermal energy.

SOLAR THERMAL SYSTEM. A system that converts solar radiation to thermal energy for use in heating or cooling.

SOLID MASONRY. Load-bearing or nonload-bearing construction using masonry units where the net cross-sectional area of each unit in any plane parallel to the bearing surface is not less than 75 percent of its gross cross-sectional area. Solid masonry units shall conform to ASTM C55, C62, C73, C145 or C216.

SPLINE. A strip of wood structural panel cut from the same material used for the panel facings, used to connect two structural insulated panels. The strip (spline) fits into a groove cut into the vertical edges of the two structural insulated panels to be joined. Splines are used behind each facing of the structural insulated panels being connected as shown in Figure R610.8.

STACK. Any main vertical DWV line, including offsets, that extends one or more stories as directly as possible to its vent terminal.

STACK BOND. The placement of masonry units in a bond pattern is such that head joints in successive courses are vertically aligned. For the purpose of this code, requirements for stack bond shall apply to all masonry laid in other than running bond.

STACK VENT. The extension of soil or waste stack above the highest horizontal drain connected.

STAIR. A building device in entry/exit path of a building that change in the pathway elevation and consisting of one or more risers as well as threads.

STAIRWAY. One or more flights of stairs, either in the interior or exterior of a building, with the necessary landings and connecting platforms to form a continuous and uninterrupted passage from one level to another within or attached to a building, porch or deck.

STAIRWAY, SPIRAL. A stairway with a plan view of closed circular form and uniform section-shaped treads radiating from a minimum-diameter circle.

STANDARD REFERENCE DESIGN. For the definition applicable in Chapter 11, see Section N1101.6.

STANDARD TRUSS. Any construction that does not permit the roof-ceiling insulation to achieve the required *R*- value over the *exterior walls*.

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STATIONARY FUEL CELL POWER PLANT. A self-contained package or factory-matched packages that constitute an automatically-operated assembly of integrated systems for generating useful electrical energy and recoverable thermal energy that is permanently connected and fixed in place.

STORM SEWER, DRAIN. A pipe used for conveying rainwater, surface water, subsurface water and similar liquid waste.

STORY. That portion of a building included between the upper surface of a floor and the upper surface of the floor or roof next above.

STORY ABOVE GRADE PLANE. Any *story* having its finished floor surface entirely above *grade plane*, or in which the finished surface of the floor next above is either of the following:

1. More than 1,830 mm (6 feet) *above grade plane*.
2. More than 3,650 mm (12 feet) above the finished ground level at any point.

STRUCTURAL COMPOSITE LUMBER.
Structural members manufactured using wood elements bonded together with exterior adhesives.

Examples of structural composite lumber are:

Laminated strand lumber (LSL). A composite of wood strand elements with wood fibers primarily oriented along the length of the member, where the least dimension of the wood strand elements is 2.5 mm (0.10 inch) or less and their average lengths are not less than 150 times the least dimension of the wood strand elements.

Laminated veneer lumber (LVL). A composite of wood veneer elements with wood fibers primarily oriented along the length of the member, where the veneer element thicknesses are 6.35 mm (0.25 inch) or less.

Oriented strand lumber (OSL). A composite of wood strand elements with wood fibers primarily oriented along the length of the member, where the least dimension of the wood strand elements is 2.5 mm (0.10 inch) or less and their average lengths are not less than 75 times and less than 150 times the least dimension of the wood strand elements.

Parallel strand lumber (PSL). A composite of wood strand elements with wood fibers primarily oriented along the length of the member, where the least dimension of the wood strand elements is 6.35 mm (0.25 inch) or less and their average lengths are not less than 300 times the least dimension of the wood strand elements.

STRUCTURAL INSULATED PANEL (SIP). A structural sandwich panel that consists of a lightweight foam plastic core securely laminated between two thin, rigid wood structural panel facings.

STRUCTURE. That which is built or constructed.

SUBSOIL DRAIN. A drain that collects subsurface

water or seepage water and conveys such water to a place of disposal.

SUMP. A tank or pit that receives sewage or waste, located below the normal *grade* of the gravity system and that shall be emptied by mechanical means.

SUMP PUMP. A pump installed to empty a sump. These pumps are used for removing storm water only. The pump is selected for the specific head and volume of the load and is usually operated by level controllers.

SUNROOM. A one-story structure attached to a *dwelling* with a *glazing area* in excess of 40 percent of the gross area of the structure's *exterior walls* and roof.

For the definition applicable in Chapter 11, see Section N1101.6.

SUPPLY AIR. Air delivered to a *conditioned space* through ducts or plenums from the heat exchanger of a heating, cooling or ventilating system.

SUPPORTS. Devices for supporting, hanging and securing pipes, fixtures and *equipment*.

SWEEP. A drainage fitting designed to provide a change in direction of a drain pipe of less than the angle specified by the amount necessary to establish the desired slope of the line. Sweeps provide a longer turning radius than bends and a less turbulent flow pattern (see "Bend" and "Elbow").

TEMPERATURE- AND PRESSURE-RELIEF (T AND P) VALVE. A combination relief valve designed to function as both a temperature-relief and pressure-relief valve.

TEMPERATURE-RELIEF VALVE. A temperature-actuated valve designed to discharge automatically at the temperature at which it is set.

TERMITE-RESISTANT MATERIAL. Pressure-preserved wood in accordance with the AWP standards in Section R317.1, naturally durable termite-resistant wood, steel, concrete, masonry or other *approved* material.

THERMAL ISOLATION. For the definition applicable in Chapter 11, see Section N1101.6.

THERMAL RESISTANCE, R-VALUE. See "R-value."

THERMAL TRANSMITTANCE, U-FACTOR. See "U-factor."

THERMOSTAT. For the definition applicable in Chapter 11, see Section N1101.6.

THIRD-PARTY CERTIFICATION AGENCY. An approved agency operating a product or material certification system that incorporates initial product testing, assessment and surveillance of a manufacturer's quality control system.

THIRD-PARTY CERTIFIED. Certification obtained by the manufacturer indicating that the function and performance characteristics of a product or material have been determined by testing and ongoing surveillance by an approved third-party certification agency. Assertion of certification is in the form of identification in accordance with the requirements of the third-party certification agency.

THRESHOLD. A strip of wood or stone forming the bottom of a doorway and is crossed on entrance to a house or room as well as corresponds to the level of the house or room entered.

TOWNHOUSE. A single-family *dwelling unit* constructed in a group of three or more attached units in which

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each unit extends from foundation to roof and with a *yard* or public way on not less than two sides.

TRAP. A fitting, either separate or built into a fixture, that provides a liquid seal to prevent the emission of sewer gases without materially affecting the flow of sewage or wastewater through it.

TRAP ARM. That portion of a *fixture drain* between a trap weir and the vent fitting.

TRAP PRIMER. A device or system of piping to maintain a water seal in a trap, typically installed where infrequent use of the trap would result in evaporation of the trap seal, such as floor drains.

TRAP SEAL. The trap seal is the maximum vertical depth of liquid that a trap will retain, measured between the crown weir and the top of the dip of the trap.

TRIM. Picture molds, chair rails, baseboards, hand-rails, door and window frames, and similar decorative or protective materials used in fixed applications.

TRUSS DESIGN DRAWING. The graphic depiction of an individual truss, that describes the design and physical characteristics of the truss.

TUBULAR DAYLIGHTING DEVICE (TDD). A nonoperable fenestration unit primarily designed to transmit daylight from a roof surface to an interior ceiling via a tubular conduit. The basic unit consists of an exterior glazed weathering surface, a light-transmitting tube with a reflective interior surface, and an interior-sealing device such as a translucent ceiling panel. The unit may be factory assembled, or field assembled from a manufactured kit.

TYPE L VENT. A *listed and labelled* vent conforming to UL 641 for venting oil-burning *appliances listed* for use with Type L vents or with gas *appliances listed* for use with Type B vents.

U-FACTOR (THERMAL TRANSMITTANCE). For the definition applicable in Chapter 11, see Section N1101.6.

UNDERLAYMENT. One or more layers of felt, sheathing paper, nonbituminous saturated felt, or other *approved* material over which a roof covering, with a slope of 2 to 12 (17-percent slope) or greater, is applied.

VACUUM BREAKER. A device that prevents back-siphonage of water by admitting atmospheric pressure through ports to the discharge side of the device.

VAPOUR DIFFUSION PORT. A passageway for conveying water vapour from an unvented *attic* to the outside atmosphere.

VAPOUR PERMEABLE. The property of having a moisture vapour permeance rating of $2.9 \times 10^{-10} \text{ kg/Pa} \cdot \text{s} \cdot \text{m}^2$ (5 perms) or greater, where tested in accordance with the desiccant method using Procedure A of ASTM E96. A vapour vapour permeable material permits the passage of moisture vapour.

VAPOUR RETARDER CLASS. A measure of the ability of a material or assembly to limit the amount of moisture that passes through that material or assembly. Vapour retarder

class shall be defined using the desiccant method with Procedure A of ASTM E96 as follows:

Class I: ≤ 0.1 perm rating

Class II: > 0.1 to ≤ 1.0 perm

rating Class III: > 1.0 to ≤ 10 perm rating

VENT. A passageway for conveying flue gases from fuel-fired *appliances*, or their vent connectors, to the outside atmosphere.

VENT COLLAR. See “Flue collar.”

VENT CONNECTOR. That portion of a venting system that connects the flue collar or draft hood of an *appliance* to a vent.

VENT DAMPER DEVICE, AUTOMATIC. A device intended for installation in the venting system, in the outlet of an individual, automatically operated fuel burning *appliance* and that is designed to open the venting system automatically where the *appliance* is in operation and to close off the venting system automatically where the *appliance* is in a standby or shutdown condition.

VENT GASES. Products of combustion from fuel-burning *appliances*, plus excess air and dilution air, in the venting system above the draft hood or draft regulator.

VENT STACK. A vertical vent pipe installed to provide circulation of air to and from the drainage system and that extends through one or more stories.

VENT SYSTEM. Piping installed to equalize pneumatic pressure in a drainage system to prevent trap seal loss or blowback due to siphonage or back pressure.

VENTILATION. The natural or mechanical process of supplying conditioned or unconditioned air to, or removing such air from, any space.

For the definition applicable in Chapter 11, see Section N1101.6.

VENTILATION AIR. For the definition applicable in Chapter 11, see Section N1101.6.

VENTING. Removal of combustion products to the outdoors.

VENTING SYSTEM. A continuous open passageway from the flue collar of an *appliance* to the outside atmosphere for the purpose of removing flue or vent gases. A venting system is usually composed of a vent or a chimney and vent connector, if used, assembled to form the open passageway.

VERTICAL PIPE. Any pipe or fitting that makes an angle of 45 degrees (0.79 rad) or more with the horizontal.

VINYL SIDING. A shaped material, made principally from rigid polyvinyl chloride (PVC), that is used to cover exterior walls of buildings.

VISIBLE TRANSMITTANCE (VT). For the definition applicable in Chapter 11, see Section N1101.6.

DEFINITIONS

WALLS. Walls are of four types which are defined as follows:

Load-bearing wall. A wall supporting any vertical load in addition to its own weight.

Nonbearing wall. A wall which does not support vertical loads other than its own weight.

Retaining wall. A wall that is not laterally supported at the top, that resists internal soil loads and other superimposed loads.

Shear wall. A wall of wood or reinforced masonry or reinforced concrete designed to resist lateral forces parallel to the plane of the wall. This wall resist racking from seismic and wind and shall be designed in accordance with Chapter 6 of this code and the associated limitations in Section R301.2 of this code.

WASTE. Liquidborne waste that is free of fecal matter.

WASTE PIPE OR STACK. Piping that conveys only liquid sewage not containing fecal material.

WASTE RECEPTOR. A floor sink, standpipe, hub drain or a floor drain that receives the discharge of one or more indirect waste pipes.

WATER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM. Piping that conveys water from the service to the plumbing fixtures, *appliances*, *appurtenances*, *equipment*, devices or other systems served, including fittings and control valves.

WATER HEATER. Any heating *appliance* or *equipment* that heats potable water and supplies such water to the potable hot water distribution system.

WATER MAIN. A water supply pipe for public use.

WATER OUTLET. A valved discharge opening, including a hose bibb, through which water is removed from the potable water system supplying water to a plumbing fixture or plumbing *appliance* that requires either an *air gap* or backflow prevention device for protection of the supply system.

WATER-RESISTIVE BARRIER. A material behind an *exterior wall* covering that is intended to resist liquid water that has penetrated behind the exterior covering from further intruding into the *exterior wall* assembly.

WATER SERVICE PIPE. The outside pipe from the water main or other source of potable water supply to the water distribution system inside the building, terminating at the service valve.

WATER SUPPLY SYSTEM. The water service pipe, the water-distributing pipes and the necessary connecting pipes, fittings, control valves and appurtenances in or adjacent to the building or premises.

WET VENT. A vent that receives the discharge of wastes from other fixtures.

WHOLE-HOUSE MECHANICAL VENTILATION SYSTEM. An exhaust system,

supply system, or combination thereof that is designed to mechanically exchange indoor air for outdoor air where operating continuously or through a programmed intermittent schedule to satisfy the whole-house ventilation rate.

For the definition applicable in Chapter 11, see Section N1101.6.

WINDBORNE DEBRIS REGION. Areas within *hurricane-prone regions* located in accordance with one of the following:

1. Within 1.61 km (1 mile) of the coastal mean high-water line where the ultimate design wind speed, V_{ult} , is 58 m/s (130 mph) or greater.

2. In areas where the ultimate design wind speed, V_{ult} , is 62.5 m/s (140 mph) or greater; or Hawaii.

WINDER. A tread with nonparallel edges.

WOOD STRUCTURAL PANEL. A panel manufactured from veneers; or wood strands or wafers; bonded together with waterproof synthetic resins or other suitable bonding systems. Examples of wood structural panels are plywood, orientated strand board (OSB) or composite panels.

YARD. An open land space on one or more sides of a building, other than a court, unobstructed from the ground to the sky, except where specifically provided by this code, on the *lot* on which a building is situated.

ZONE. For the definition applicable in Chapter 11, see Section N1101.6.

Part III—Building Planning and Construction

CHAPTER 3

BUILDING PLANNING

User note:

About this chapter: Chapter 3 contains a wide array of building planning requirements that are critical to designing a safe and usable building. This includes, but is not limited to, requirements related to: general structural design, fire-resistant construction, light, ventilation, sanitation, plumbing fixture clearances, minimum room area and ceiling height, safety glazing, means of egress, automatic fire sprinkler systems, smoke and carbon monoxide alarm systems, accessibility, solar energy systems, swimming pools, spas and hot tubs.

SECTION R301 DESIGN CRITERIA

R301.1 Application. Buildings and structures, and parts thereof, shall be constructed to safely support all loads, including dead loads, live loads, roof loads, flood loads, wind loads and seismic loads as prescribed by this code. The construction of buildings and structures in accordance with the provisions of this code shall result in a system that provides a complete load path that meets the requirements for the transfer of loads from their point of origin through the load-resisting elements to the foundation. Buildings and structures constructed as prescribed by this code are deemed to comply with the requirements of this section.

R301.1.1 Alternative provisions. As an alternative to the requirements in Section R301.1, the following standards are permitted subject to the limitations of this code and the limitations therein. Where engineered design is used in conjunction with these standards, the design shall comply with the *Jamaica Building Code* and shall be done only by a registered design building professional.

1. AWC *Wood Frame Construction Manual* (WFCM).
2. AISI *Standard for Cold-Formed Steel Framing— Prescriptive Method for One- and Two-Family Dwellings* (AISI S230). This construction system may be used only for internal non-loadbearing walls, floor support and roof framing where it is demonstrated that the structure will withstand winds of at least 240 kph (150 mph)
3. ICC *Standard on the Design and Construction of Log Structures* (ICC 400).

R301.1.2 Construction systems. The requirements of this code are based on platform and balloon-frame construction for light-frame wooden buildings. The requirements for concrete and

masonry buildings are based on a balloon framing system. Other framing systems shall have equivalent detailing to ensure force transfer, continuity and compatible deformations.

R301.1.3 Engineered design. Where a building of otherwise conventional construction contains structural elements exceeding the limits of Section R301 or otherwise not conforming to this code, these elements shall be designed in accordance with accepted engineering practice. The extent of such design need only demonstrate compliance of nonconventional elements with other applicable provisions and shall be compatible with the performance of the conventional framed system. Engineered design in accordance with the *Jamaica Building Code* done only by registered design building professionals is permitted for buildings and structures, and parts thereof, included in the scope of this code.

R301.2 Climatic and geographic design criteria. Buildings shall be constructed in accordance with the provisions of this code as limited by the provisions of this section. Additional criteria shall be established by the Local Authority and set out in Table R301.2(1).

R301.2.1 Wind design criteria. Buildings and portions thereof shall be constructed in accordance with the wind provisions of this code using the ultimate design wind speed in Table R301.2(1) as determined from Figure R301.2(5)A.. Where different construction methods and structural materials are used for various portions of a building, the applicable requirements of this section for each portion shall apply. Where not otherwise specified, the wind loads listed in Table R301.2(2) adjusted for height and exposure using Table R301.2(3) shall be used to determine design load performance requirements for wall coverings, curtain walls, roof coverings, exterior windows, skylights, garage doors and exterior doors. Asphalt shingles shall be designed for wind speeds in

accordance with Section R905.2.4. A continuous load path shall be provided to transmit the applicable uplift forces in Section R802.11.1 from the roof assembly to the foundation.

R301.2.1.1 Wind limitations and wind design required. Regardless of the ultimate design wind speed determined from Section R301.2.1 the minimum ultimate design wind speed to be used in the design of a building at any site throughout Jamaica shall not be less than 240 kph (150 mph).**Exceptions:**

1. For concrete construction, the wind provisions of this code shall apply in accordance with the limitations of Sections R404 and R608.

2. For structural insulated panels, the wind provisions of this code shall apply in accordance with the limitations of Section R610.

In regions where wind design is required in accordance with Figure R301.2(5)B, the design of buildings for wind loads shall be in accordance with one or more of the following methods:

1. AWC *Wood Frame Construction Manual* (WFCM).
2. ICC *Standard for Residential Construction in High-Wind Regions* (ICC 600).
3. ASCE *Minimum Design Loads for Buildings and Other Structures* (ASCE 7).
4. AISI *Standard for Cold-Formed Steel Framing— Prescriptive Method For One- and Two-Family Dwellings* (AISI S230). This construction system may be used only for internal non-loadbearing partition walls, floor support and roof framing where it is demonstrated that the structure will withstands winds of at least 240 kph (150 mph)
5. *Jamaica Building Code*.

The elements of design not addressed by the methods in Items 1 through 5 shall be in accordance with the provisions of this code.

Where ASCE 7 or the *Jamaica Building Code* is used by *registered design building professional* for the design of the building, the wind speed map and exposure category requirements as specified in ASCE 7 and the *Jamaica Building Code* shall be used.

R301.2.1.1.1 Sunrooms. *Sunrooms* shall comply with AAMA/NPEA/NSA 2100. For the purpose of applying the criteria of AAMA/NPEA/NSA 2100 based on the intended use, *sunrooms* shall be identified as one of the following categories by the building permit applicant, *registered design building professional* or the property owner or owner’s agent in the construction documents. Component and cladding pressures for 240 kph (150 mph) winds shall be used for the design of elements that do not qualify as main windforce-resisting systems. Main windforce-resisting system pressures shall be used for the design of elements assigned to provide support and stability for the overall *sunroom*.

Category I: A thermally isolated *sunroom* with walls that are open or enclosed with insect screening or 0.5 mm (20 mil) maximum thickness plastic film. The space is nonhabitable and unconditioned.

Category II: A thermally isolated *sunroom* with enclosed walls. The openings are enclosed with translucent or transparent plastic or glass. The space is nonhabitable and unconditioned.

Category III: A thermally isolated *sunroom* with enclosed walls. The openings are enclosed with translucent or transparent plastic or glass. The sunroom fenestration complies

with additional requirements for air infiltration resistance and water penetration resistance. The space is non-habitable and unconditioned.

Category IV: A thermally isolated *sunroom* with enclosed walls. The sunroom is designed to be heated or cooled by a separate temperature control or system and is thermally isolated from the primary structure. The *sunroom* fenestration complies with additional requirements for water penetration resistance, air infiltration resistance and thermal performance. The space is nonhabitable and conditioned.

Category V: A *sunroom* with enclosed walls. The sunroom is designed to be heated or cooled and is open to the main structure. The *sunroom* fenestration complies with additional requirements for water penetration resistance, air infiltration resistance and thermal performance. The space is habitable and conditioned.

R301.2.1.2 Protection of openings. Exterior glazing in buildings located in windborne debris regions shall be protected from windborne debris. Glazed opening protection for windborne debris shall meet the requirements of the Large Missile Test of ASTM E1996 and ASTM E1886 as modified in Section 301.2.1.2.1. Garage door glazed opening protection for windborne debris shall meet the requirements of an *approved* impact-resisting standard or ANSI/DASMA 115.

Exception: Wood structural panels with a thickness of not less than 11 mm (⁷/₁₆ inch) and a span of not more than 2,450 mm (8 feet) shall be permitted for opening protection. Panels shall be precut and attached to the framing surrounding the opening containing the product with the glazed opening. Panels shall be predrilled as required for the anchorage method and shall be secured with the attachment hardware provided. Attachments shall be designed to resist the component and cladding loads determined in accordance with either Table R301.2(2) or ASCE 7, with the permanent corrosion-resistant attachment hardware provided and anchors permanently installed on the building. Attachment in accordance with Table R301.2.1.2 is permitted for buildings with a *mean roof height* of 13,735 mm (45 feet) or less where the ultimate design wind speed, V_{ult} , is 290 kph (180 mph) or less.

R301.2.1.2.1 Application of ASTM E1996. The text of Section 2.2 of ASTM E1996 shall be substituted as follows:

2.2 ASCE Standard:

ASCE 7-10 American Society of Civil Engineers *Minimum Design Loads for Buildings and Other Structures*

The text of Section 6.2.2 of ASTM E1996 shall be substituted as follows:

- 1. Unless otherwise specified, select the wind zone based on the ultimate design wind speed, V_{ult} , as follows:

wind speed, $V_{ult} < 224$ kph .

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or structure is to be constructed. For a site located in the transition zone between categories, the category resulting in the largest wind forces shall apply. Account shall be taken of variations in ground surface roughness that arise from natural topography and vegetation as well as from constructed features. For a site where multiple detached one- and two-family dwellings, townhouses or other structures are to be constructed as part of a subdivision or master-planned community, or are otherwise designated as a developed area by the Local Authority, the exposure category for an individual structure shall be based on the site conditions that will exist at the time when all adjacent structures on the site have been constructed, provided that their construction is expected to begin within 1 year of the start of construction for the structure for which the exposure category is determined. For any given wind direction, the exposure in which a specific building or other structure is sited shall be assessed as being one of the following

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wind speed, $V_{ult} < 240$ kph/150 mph at greater than 1 mile (1.6 km) from the coastline. The coastline shall be measured from the mean high-water mark.

3. Wind Zone 3–240 kph (58 m/s) □ ultimate design wind speed, $V_{ult} □ 272$ kph (76 m/s), or 224 kph (54 m/s) □ ultimate design windspeed, $V_{ult} □ 272$ kph (76 m/s) and within 1-6 km of the coastline. The coastline shall be measured from the mean high-water mark.

4. Wind Zone 4–ultimate design wind speed, $V_{ult} > 272$ kph (76 m/s).

TABLE R301.2.1.2
WINDBORNE DEBRIS PROTECTION FASTENING
SCHEDULE FOR WOOD STRUCTURAL PANELS^{a, b, c, d}

FASTENER TYPE	FASTENER SPACING (mm) ^{a, b}		
	Panel span ≤ 1,220 mm	1,220 mm < panel span ≤ 1,830 mm	1,830 mm < panel span ≤ 2,450 mm
No. 8 wood-screw-based anchor with 51-mm embedment length	405	255	205
No. 10 wood-screw-based anchor with 51-mm embedment length	405	305	230
¹ / ₄ -inch lag-screw-based anchor with 51-mm embedment length	405	405	405

For SI: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.0038 ft, 1 N = 0.2248 lb, 1 m/s = 2.2356 mph.

- 1. This table is based on 288 kph (180 mph) ultimate design wind speeds, V_{ult} , and a 13,725 mm (45-foot) mean roof height.
- 2. Fasteners shall be installed at opposing ends of the wood structural panel. Fasteners shall be located not less than 25 mm (1 inch) from the edge
- 3. embedment length of not less than 51 mm (2 inches) into the building

categories:

- 1. Exposure B. Urban and suburban areas, wooded frame. Fasteners shall be located not less than 64 mm (2½ inches) from the edge of concrete block or concrete.
- 4. Panels attached to masonry or masonry/stucco shall be attached using vibration-resistant anchors having an ultimate withdrawal capacity of not less than 69 kg (1,500 pounds).

R301.2.1.3 Wind speed conversion. Where referenced documents are based on nominal design wind speeds and do not provide the means for conversion between ultimate design wind speeds and nominal design wind speeds, the ultimate design wind speeds, V_{ult} , of Figure R301.2(5)A shall be converted to nominal design wind

speeds, V_{asd} , using Table R301.2.1.3.

R301.2.1.4 Exposure category. For each wind direction considered, an exposure category that adequately reflects the characteristics of ground surface irregularities shall be determined for the site at which the building

or structure is to be constructed. For a site located in the transition zone between categories, the category resulting in the largest wind forces shall apply. Account shall be taken of variations in ground surface roughness that arises from natural topography and vegetation as well as from constructed features. For a site where multiple detached one- and two-family *dwelling*s, *townhouses* or other structures are to be constructed as part of a subdivision or master-planned community or are otherwise designated as a developed area by the authority having jurisdiction, the exposure category for an individual structure shall be based on the site conditions that will exist at the time when all adjacent structures on the site is expected to begin within 1 year of the start of construction for the structure for which the exposure category is determined. For any given wind direction, the

exposure in which a specific building or other structure is sited shall be assessed as being one of the following categories:

1. **Exposure B.** Urban and suburban areas, wooded areas or other terrain with numerous closely spaced obstructions having the size of single-family *dwelling*s or larger. Exposure B shall be assumed unless the site meets the definition of another type exposure.
1. **Exposure C.** Open terrain with scattered obstructions, including surface undulations or other irregularities, having heights generally less than 9.150 m (30 feet) extending more than 457,000 mm (1,500 feet) from the building site in any quadrant. This exposure shall apply to any building located within Exposure B type terrain where the building is directly adjacent to open areas of Exposure C type terrain in any quadrant for a distance of more than 183,000 mm (600 feet). This category includes flat, open country and grasslands.
2. **Exposure D.** Flat, unobstructed areas exposed to wind flowing over open water, smooth mud flats, salt flats and unbroken ice for a distance of not less than 1,525 m (5,000 feet). This exposure shall apply only to those buildings and other structures exposed to the wind coming from over the unobstructed area. Exposure D extends downwind from the edge of the unobstructed area a distance of 183,000 mm (600 feet) or 20 times the height of the building or structure, whichever is greater.

R301.2.1.5 Topographic wind effects. In areas designated in Table R301.2(1) as having local historical data documenting structural damage to buildings caused by wind speed-up at isolated hills, ridges and escarpments that are abrupt changes from the general topography of the area, topographic wind effects shall be considered in the design of the building in accordance with Section R301.2.1.5.1 or in accordance with the provisions of ASCE 7. See Figure R301.2.1.5.1(1) for topographic features for wind speed-up effect.

**TABLE R301.2(1)
CLIMATIC AND GEOGRAPHIC DESIGN CRITERIA**

GROUND SNOW LOAD ^o	WIND DESIGN				SEISMIC DESIGN CATEGORY ^f	SUBJECT TO DAMAGE FROM			WINTER DESIGN TEMP ^e	ICE BARRIER UNDERLAYMENT REQUIRED ^b	FLOOD HAZARDS ^g	AIR FREEZING INDEX ⁱ	MEAN ANNUAL TEMP ^j
	Speed ^d (kph)	Topographic effects ^k	Special wind region ^l	Windborne debris zone ^m		Weathering ^a	Frost line depth ^b	Termite ^c					
Not applicable	Use wind map and site to decide	Assess site to decide exposure category then choose exposure factor from Table R301.2(3) Multiply factor by windspeed to get ultimate design wind speed	Municipality to decide & advise of specific requirement	Assess site for this likelihood	Use seismic map to decide if D ₁ or D ₂ or E applies	Negligible	Not applicable	Very heavy	25°C	Not applicable	See National Water Authority Flood Plain Maps.	Not applicable	Obtain from the Meteorological Office
MANUAL J DESIGN CRITERIAⁿ													
Elevation		Latitude		Winter heating	Summer cooling	Altitude correction factor	Indoor design temperature	Design temperature cooling	Heating temperature difference				
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Cooling temperature difference		Wind velocity heating		Wind velocity cooling	Coincident wet bulb	Daily range	Winter humidity	Summer humidity			—		
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For Inch Pound Units: 1 kPa = 20.8768 lb/ft², 1 m/s = 2.237 mph.

1. The weathering column shall be filled in with the weathering index, “negligible,” “moderate” or “severe” for concrete as determined from Figure R301.2(4). The grade of masonry units shall be determined from ASTM C34, C55, C62, C73, C90, C129, C145, C216 or C652.
2. Not applicable
3. The jurisdiction shall fill in this part of the table to indicate the need for protection depending on whether there has been a history of local subterranean termite damage.
4. The jurisdiction shall fill in this part of the table with the wind speed from the basic wind speed map [Figure R301.2(5)A]. Wind exposure category shall be determined on a site-specific basis in accordance with Section R301.2.1.4.
5. The outdoor design dry-bulb temperature shall be selected from the columns of 97¹/₂-percent values for winter from Appendix D of the *Jamaica Plumbing Code*. Deviations from the Appendix D temperatures shall be permitted to reflect local climates or local weather experience as determined by the building official. [Also see Figure R301.2(1).]
6. The jurisdiction shall fill in this part of the table with the seismic design category determined from Section R301.2.2.1.
7. The jurisdiction shall fill in this part of the table with (a) the date of the code becoming effective and design in flood hazard areas now to be approved by the jurisdiction, (b) the dates of the currently effective National Water Authority flood hazard map adopted by the authority having jurisdiction, as adopted or amended.
8. In accordance with Sections R905.1.2, R905.4.3.1, R905.5.3.1, R905.6.3.1, R905.7.3.1 and R905.8.3.1, where there has been a history of local damage from the effects of ice damming, the jurisdiction shall fill in this part of the table with “YES.” Otherwise, the jurisdiction shall fill in this part of the table with “NO.”
9. Not applicable
10. Not applicable.
11. In accordance with Section R301.2.1.5, where there is local historical data documenting structural damage to buildings due to topographic wind speed-up effects, the jurisdiction shall fill in this part of the table with “YES.” Otherwise, the jurisdiction shall indicate “NO” in this part of the table.
12. In accordance with Figure R301.2(5)A, where there is local historical data documenting unusual wind conditions, the jurisdiction shall fill in this part of the table with “YES” and identify any specific requirements. Otherwise, the jurisdiction shall indicate “NO” in this part of the table.
13. In accordance with Section R301.2.1.2 the jurisdiction shall indicate the wind-borne debris wind zone(s). Otherwise, the jurisdiction shall indicate “NO” in this part of the table.
14. The jurisdiction shall fill in these sections of the table to establish the design criteria using Table 1a or 1b from ACCA Manual J or established criteria determined by the jurisdiction.
15. Not applicable.

TABLE R301.2(2)
COMPONENT AND CLADDING LOADS FOR A BUILDING WITH A MEAN
ROOF HEIGHT OF 30 FEET LOCATED IN EXPOSURE B (ASD) (kPa)^{a, b, c, d}

	ZONE	EFFECTIVE WIND AREA (m ²)	ULTIMATE DESIGN WIND SPEED, V _{ULT} (m/s)																	
			49.17		51.405		53.64		58.11		62.58		67.05		71.52		75.99		80.46	
Roof 0 to 7 degrees	1	0.929	4.470	-5.811	4.470	-6.258	4.470	-6.705	4.470	-8.046	4.470	-9.387	4.425	-10.728	5.006	-12.069	5.632	-13.857	6.347	-15.645
	1	1.858	4.470	-5.364	4.470	-5.811	4.470	-6.705	4.470	-7.599	4.470	-8.940	4.112	-10.281	4.738	-11.622	5.319	-13.410	5.945	-15.243
	1	4.645	4.470	-5.364	4.470	-5.811	4.470	-6.258	4.470	-7.599	4.470	-8.493	3.800	-9.834	4.470	-11.622	4.828	-12.963	5.453	-14.706
	1	9.29	4.470	-4.917	4.470	-5.811	4.470	-6.258	4.470	-7.152	4.470	-8.493	3.487	-9.834	4.470	-11.175	4.470	-12.516	5.051	-14.304
	2	0.929	4.470	-9.387	4.470	-10.281	4.470	-11.622	4.470	-13.410	4.470	-15.645	4.425	-17.88	5.006	-20.562	5.632	-23.244	6.347	-26.239
	2	1.858	4.470	-8.493	4.470	-9.387	4.470	-10.281	4.470	-12.069	4.470	-13.857	4.112	-16.092	4.738	-18.327	5.319	-20.562	5.945	-23.423
	2	4.645	4.470	-7.152	4.470	-8.046	4.470	-8.493	4.470	-10.281	4.470	-11.622	3.800	-13.410	4.470	-15.198	4.828	-17.433	5.453	-19.713
	2	9.29	4.470	-6.258	4.470	-6.705	4.470	-7.152	4.470	-8.493	4.470	-9.834	3.487	-11.622	4.470	-13.410	4.470	-14.751	5.051	-16.941
	3	0.929	4.470	-14.751	4.470	-16.092	4.470	-17.433	4.470	-20.562	4.470	-23.691	4.425	-27.267	5.006	-30.843	5.632	-34.866	6.347	-39.470
	3	1.858	4.470	-12.069	4.470	-12.963	4.470	-14.304	4.470	-16.986	4.470	-19.668	4.112	-22.350	4.738	-25.479	5.319	-29.055	5.945	-32.676
	3	4.645	4.470	-8.493	4.470	-9.387	4.470	-10.281	4.470	-12.069	4.470	-14.304	3.800	-16.092	4.470	-18.327	4.828	-21.009	5.453	-23.736
	3	9.29	4.470	-6.258	4.470	-6.705	4.470	-7.152	4.470	-8.493	4.470	-9.834	3.487	-11.622	4.470	-13.410	4.470	-14.751	5.051	-16.941
Roof > 7 to 27 degrees	1	0.929	4.470	-4.917	4.470	-5.811	4.470	-6.258	4.694	-7.152	5.453	-8.493	6.258	-9.834	7.107	-11.175	8.001	-12.516	9.029	-14.304
	1	1.858	4.470	-4.917	4.470	-5.364	4.470	-5.811	4.470	-7.152	4.962	-8.046	5.722	-9.387	6.482	-10.728	7.331	-12.069	8.225	-13.902
	1	4.645	4.470	-4.917	4.470	-5.364	4.470	-5.811	4.470	-6.705	4.470	-8.046	4.962	-8.940	5.677	-10.281	6.392	-11.622	7.152	-13.365
	1	9.29	4.470	-4.470	4.470	-4.917	4.470	-5.364	4.470	-6.705	4.470	-7.599	4.425	-8.940	5.006	-9.834	5.632	-11.175	6.347	-12.963
	2	0.929	4.470	-8.940	4.470	-9.834	4.470	-10.728	4.694	-12.963	5.453	-14.751	6.258	-16.986	7.107	-19.668	8.001	-21.903	9.029	-24.943
	2	1.858	4.470	-8.493	4.470	-8.940	4.470	-9.834	4.470	-11.622	4.962	-13.857	5.722	-15.645	6.482	-17.880	7.331	-20.115	8.225	-22.886
	2	4.645	4.470	-7.152	4.470	-8.046	4.470	-8.940	4.470	-10.281	4.470	-12.069	4.962	-13.857	5.677	-15.645	6.392	-17.880	7.152	-20.294
	2	9.29	4.470	-6.705	4.470	-7.152	4.470	-8.046	4.470	-9.387	4.470	-10.728	4.425	-12.516	5.006	-14.304	5.632	-16.092	6.347	-18.282
	3	0.929	4.470	-13.410	4.470	-14.751	4.470	-16.092	4.694	-19.221	5.453	-21.903	6.258	-25.479	7.107	-29.055	8.001	-32.631	9.029	-36.833
	3	1.858	4.470	-12.516	4.470	-13.857	4.470	-15.198	4.470	-17.880	4.962	-20.562	5.722	-23.691	6.482	-26.820	7.331	-30.396	8.225	-34.419
	3	4.645	4.470	-11.622	4.470	-12.516	4.470	-13.857	4.470	-16.092	4.470	-18.774	4.962	-21.456	5.677	-24.585	6.392	-27.714	7.152	-31.245
	3	9.29	4.470	-10.728	4.470	-11.622	4.470	-12.516	4.470	-14.751	4.470	-17.433	4.425	-19.668	5.006	-22.797	5.632	-25.479	6.347	-28.876
Roof > 27 to 45 degrees	1	0.929	5.319	-5.811	5.856	-6.258	6.347	-6.705	7.465	-8.046	8.672	-9.387	9.923	-10.728	11.309	-12.069	12.740	-13.857	14.304	-15.645
	1	1.858	5.185	-5.364	5.677	-5.811	6.169	-6.258	7.241	-7.599	8.404	-8.940	9.655	-10.281	10.996	-11.622	12.382	-12.963	13.902	-14.840
	1	4.645	5.006	-4.917	5.453	-5.364	5.945	-5.811	6.973	-7.152	8.091	-8.046	9.298	-9.387	10.549	-10.728	11.935	-12.069	13.365	-13.768
	1	9.29	4.872	-4.470	5.319	-4.917	5.766	-5.364	6.750	-6.705	7.867	-7.599	9.029	-8.940	10.236	-9.834	11.577	-11.175	12.963	-12.963
	2	0.929	5.319	-6.705	5.856	-7.152	6.347	-8.046	7.465	-9.387	8.672	-10.728	9.923	-12.516	11.309	-14.304	12.740	-16.092	14.304	-18.282
	2	1.858	5.185	-6.258	5.677	-7.152	6.169	-7.599	7.241	-8.940	8.404	-10.281	9.655	-12.069	10.996	-13.410	12.382	-15.198	13.902	-17.478
	2	4.645	5.006	-5.811	5.453	-6.705	5.945	-7.152	6.973	-8.493	8.091	-9.834	9.298	-11.175	10.549	-12.963	11.935	-14.304	13.365	-16.450
	2	9.29	4.872	-5.811	5.319	-6.258	5.766	-6.705	6.750	-8.046	7.867	-9.387	9.029	-10.728	10.236	-12.069	11.577	-13.857	12.963	-15.645
	3	0.929	5.319	-6.705	5.856	-7.152	6.347	-8.046	7.465	-9.387	8.672	-10.728	9.923	-12.516	11.309	-14.304	12.740	-16.092	14.304	-18.282
	3	1.858	5.185	-6.258	5.677	-7.152	6.169	-7.599	7.241	-8.940	8.404	-10.281	9.655	-12.069	10.996	-13.410	12.382	-15.198	13.902	-17.478
	3	4.645	5.006	-5.811	5.453	-6.705	5.945	-7.152	6.973	-8.493	8.091	-9.834	9.298	-11.175	10.549	-12.963	11.935	-14.304	13.365	-16.450
	3	9.29	4.872	-5.811	5.319	-6.258	5.766	-6.705	6.750	-8.046	7.867	-9.387	9.029	-10.728	10.236	-12.069	11.577	-13.857	12.963	-15.645
Wall	4	0.929	5.856	-6.258	6.392	-6.705	6.929	-7.152	8.135	-8.493	9.476	-9.834	10.862	-11.622	12.382	-13.410	13.946	-14.751	15.645	-16.941
	4	1.858	5.588	-5.811	6.079	-6.258	6.616	-7.152	7.778	-8.493	9.029	-9.834	10.370	-11.175	11.801	-12.516	13.276	-14.304	14.930	-16.271
	4	4.645	5.230	-5.364	5.722	-6.258	6.213	-6.705	7.286	-7.599	8.493	-8.940	9.700	-10.281	11.041	-12.069	12.471	-13.410	13.991	-15.332
	4	9.29	4.962	-5.364	5.409	-5.811	5.900	-6.258	6.929	-7.599	8.046	-8.493	9.208	-9.834	10.505	-11.175	11.846	-12.963	13.321	-14.617
	4	46.45	4.470	-4.470	4.738	-4.917	5.185	-5.364	6.079	-6.705	7.063	-7.599	8.091	-8.940	9.208	-9.834	10.370	-11.175	11.667	-12.963
	5	0.929	5.856	-7.599	6.392	-8.493	6.929	-8.940	8.135	-10.728	9.476	-12.516	10.862	-14.304	12.382	-16.539	13.946	-18.327	15.645	-20.920
	5	1.858	5.588	-7.152	6.079	-7.599	6.616	-8.493	7.778	-9.834	9.029	-11.622	10.370	-13.410	11.801	-15.198	13.276	-17.433	14.930	-19.534
	5	4.645	5.230	-6.258	5.722	-7.152	6.213	-7.599	7.286	-8.940	8.493	-10.281	9.700	-12.069	11.041	-13.857	12.471	-15.645	13.991	-17.657
	5	9.29	4.962	-5.811	5.409	-6.258	5.900	-7.152	6.929	-8.493	8.046	-9.834	9.208	-11.175	10.505	-12.516	11.846	-14.304	13.321	-16.271
	5	46.45	4.470	-4.470	4.738	-4.917	5.185	-5.364	6.079	-6.705	7.063	-7.599	8.091	-8.940	9.208	-9.834	10.370	-11.175	11.667	-12.963

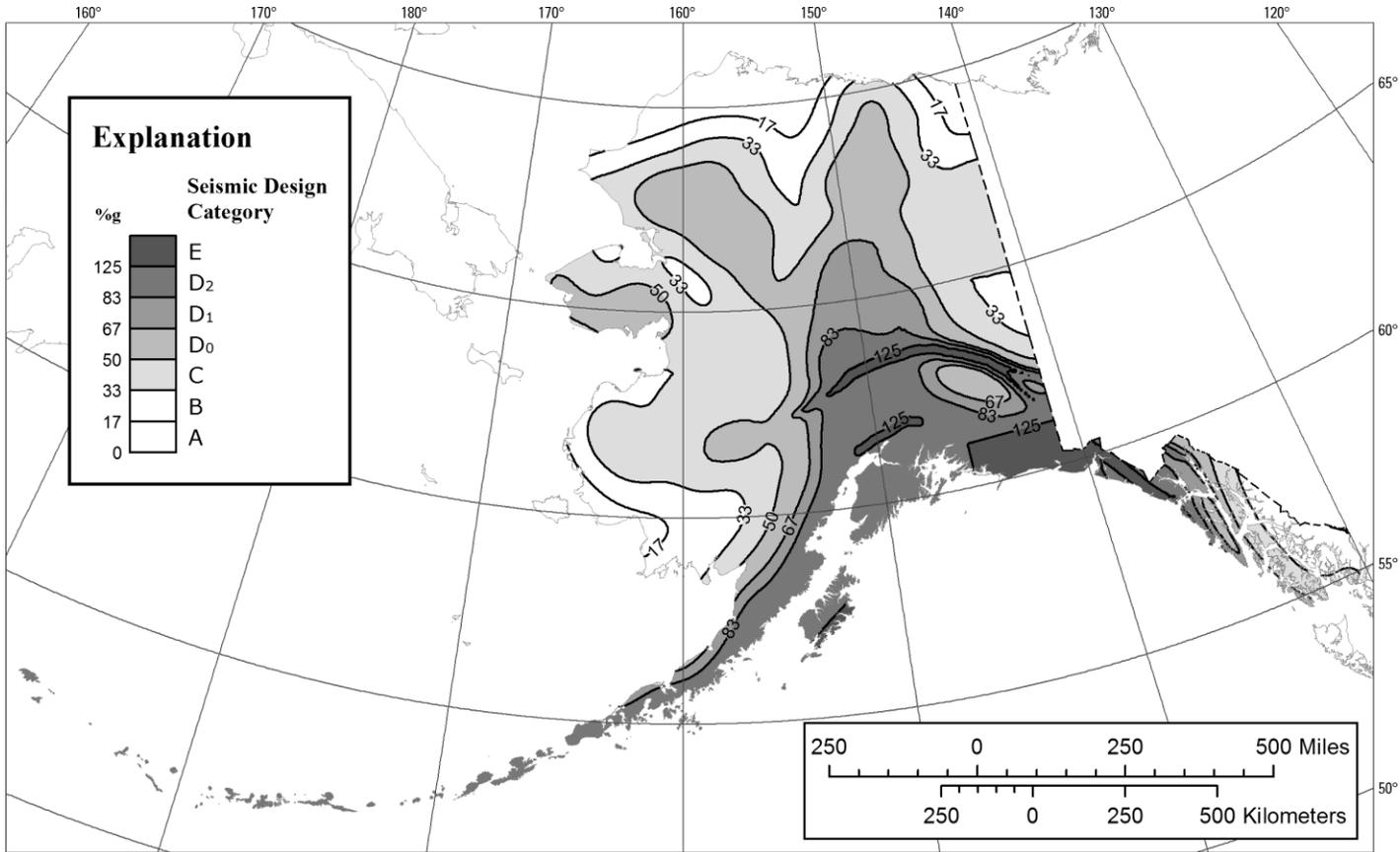
For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 m² = 10.764 square foot, 1 m/s = 2.237 mile per hour, 1 kPa = 20.877 pound per square foot.

1. The effective wind area shall be equal to the span length multiplied by an effective width. This width shall be permitted to be not less than one-third the span length. For cladding fasteners, the effective wind area shall not be greater than the area that is tributary to an individual fastener.
2. For effective areas between those given, the load shall be interpolated or the load associated with the lower effective area shall be used.
3. Table values shall be adjusted for height and exposure by multiplying by the adjustment coefficient in Table R301.2(3).
4. See Figure R301.2(8) for location of zones.

5. Plus and minus signs signify pressures acting toward and away from the building surfaces.

TABLE R301.2(3)
HEIGHT AND EXPOSURE ADJUSTMENT COEFFICIENTS FOR TABLE R301.2(2)

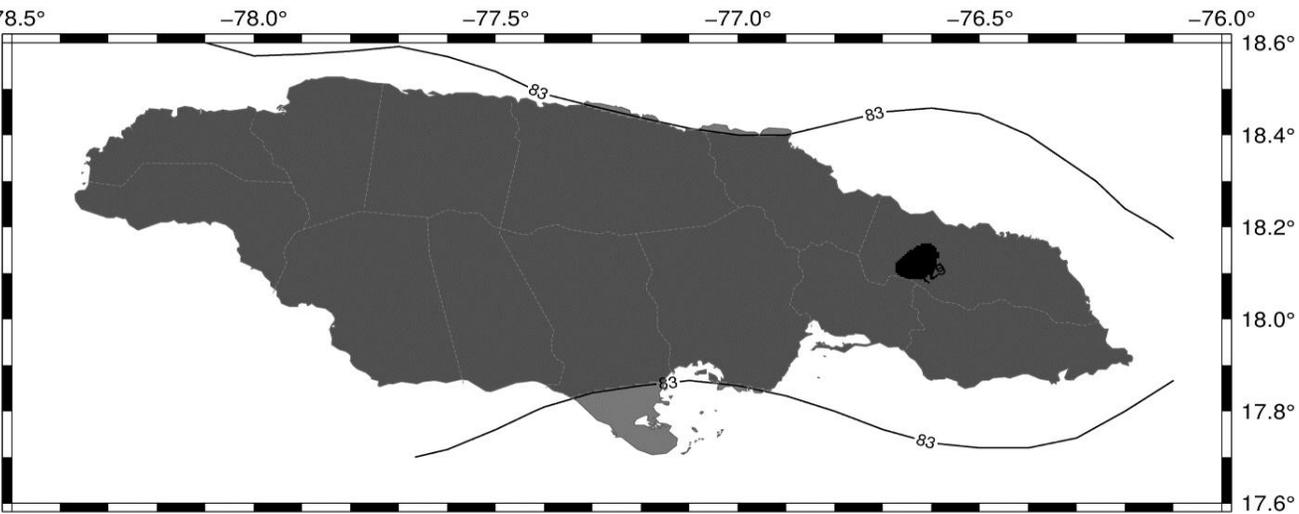
MEAN ROOF HEIGHT (mm)	EXPOSURE		
	B	C	D
4,575	1.00	1.21	1.47
6,100	1.00	1.29	1.55
7,625	1.00	1.35	1.61
9,150	1.00	1.40	1.66
10,675	1.05	1.45	1.70
12,200	1.09	1.49	1.74
13,725	1.12	1.53	1.78
15,250	1.16	1.56	1.81
17,000	1.19	1.59	1.84
18,300	1.22	1.62	1.87



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MEAN EARTHQUAKE GROUND MOTION FOR JAMAICA IN SEISMIC DESIGN CATEGORIES

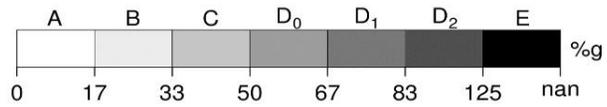


FIGURE R301.2(2)
SEISMIC DESIGN CATEGORIES

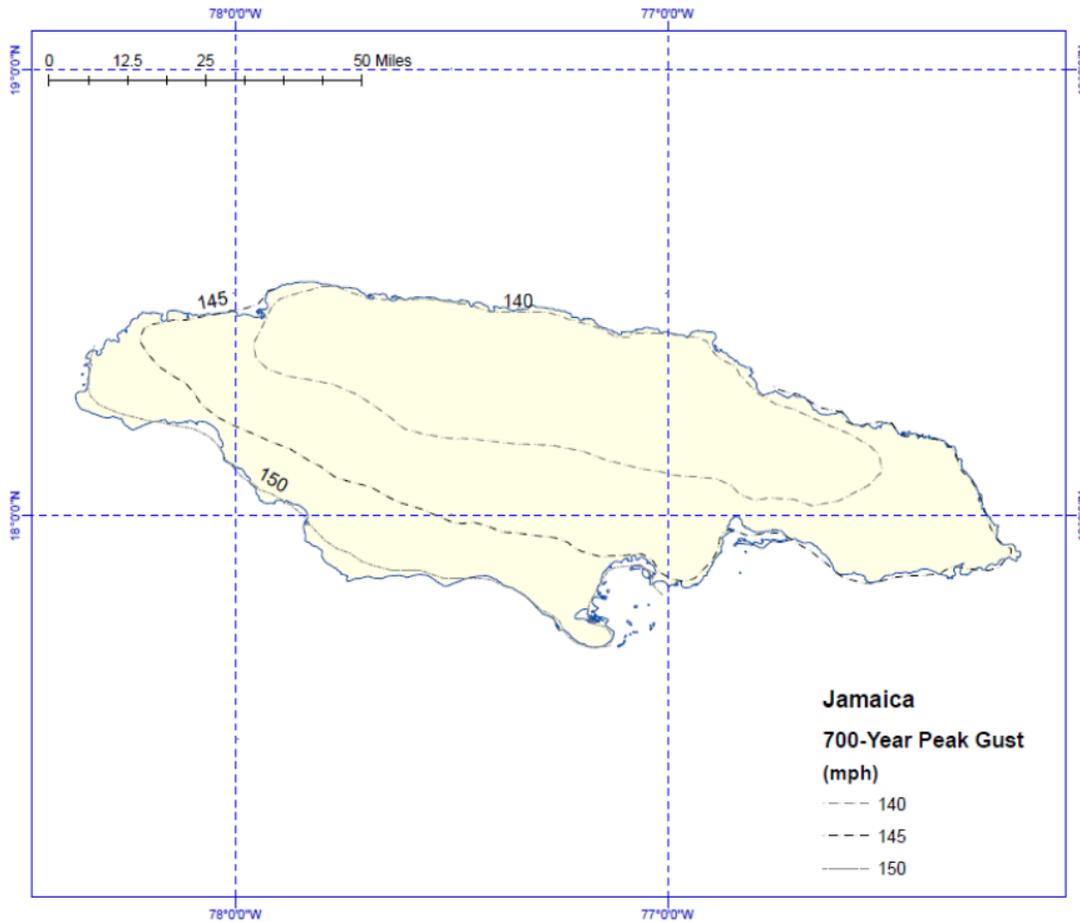
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1. Alaska and Hawaii are classified as severe and negligible, respectively.
2. Lines defining areas are approximate only. Local conditions may be more or less severe than indicated by region classification. A severe classification is where weather conditions result in significant snowfall combined with extended periods during which there is little or no natural thawing causing deicing salts to be used extensively.

FIGURE R301.2(4)
WEATHERING PROBABILITY MAP FOR CONCRETE^{a, b}

CONVERSION TABLE

130 mph = 58.11 m/s
135 mph = 60.35 m/s
140 mph = 62.58 m/s
145 mph = 64.82 m/s
150 mph = 67.00 m/s
155 mph = 69.25 m/s
160 mph = 71.50 m/s
165 mph = 73.75 m/s
170 mph = 76.00 m/s
175 mph = 78.23 m/s
180 mph = 80.46 m/s



Notes

1. Values are nominal design 3-second gust wind speeds in miles per hour (m/s) at 33 feet (10 m) above ground for Exposure C category.
2. Linear interpolation is permitted between contours. Point values are provided to aid with interpolation.
3. Islands, coastal areas, and land boundaries outside the last contour shall use the last wind speed contour.
4. Mountainous terrain, gorges, ocean promontories, and special wind regions shall be examined for unusual wind conditions.
5. Wind speeds correspond to approximately a 1.6% probability of exceedance in 50 years (Annual Exceedance Probability = 0.00033, MRI = 3,000 Years).

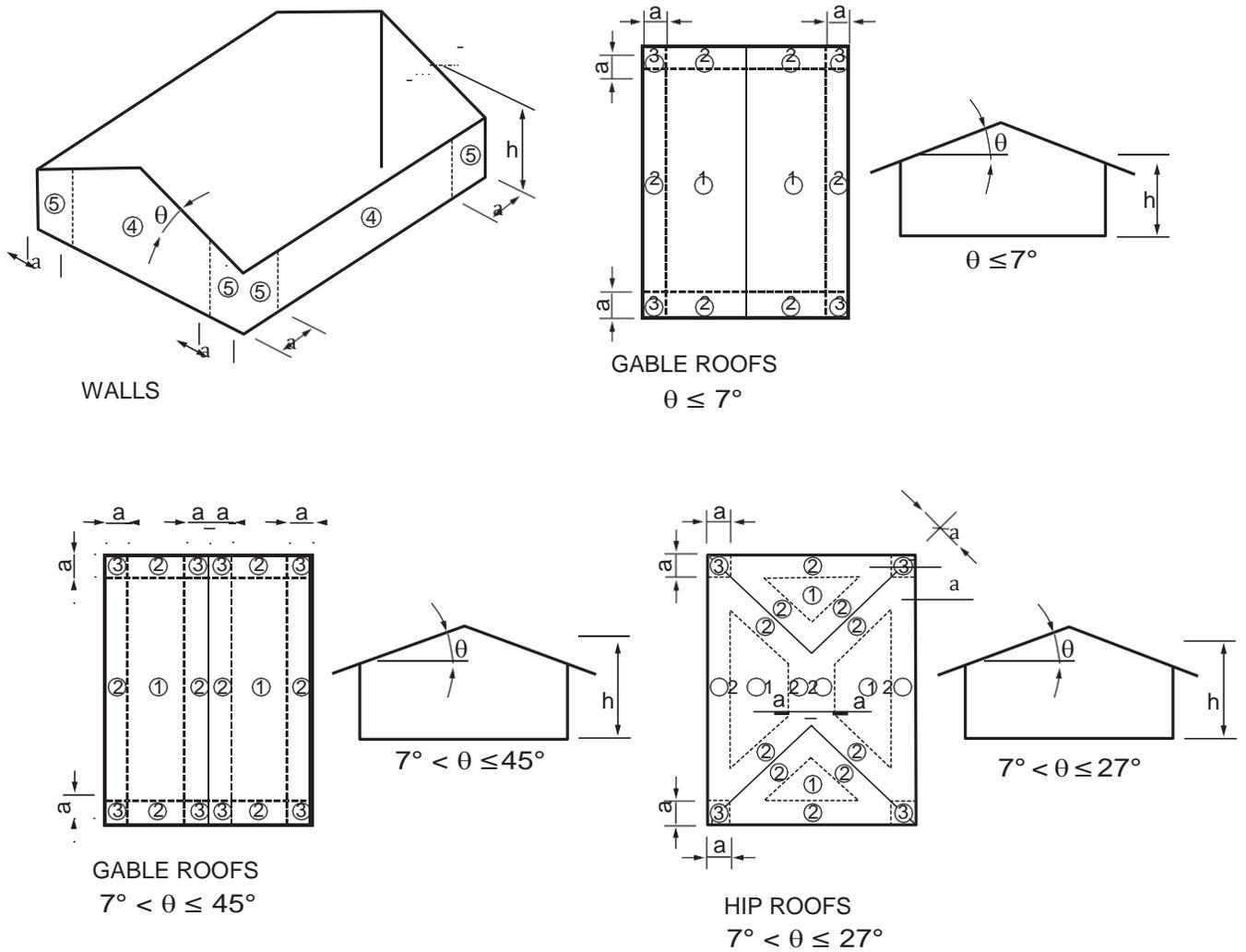
FIGURE 301.2(5)
 BASIC DESIGN WIND SPEEDS, V, FOR ALL AREAS WITHIN THE LAND MASS OF JAMAICA

or SI: 1 foot = 304.8 mm, 1 pound per square foot = 0.0479 kPa, 1 mile = 1.61 km.

1. In CS areas, site-specific Case Studies are required to establish ground snow loads. Extreme local variations in ground snow loads in these areas preclude mapping at this scale.
2. Numbers in parentheses represent the upper elevation limits in feet for the ground snow load values presented below. Site-specific case studies are required to establish ground snow loads at elevations not covered.

Note: Lines defining areas are approximate only. Local conditions may be more or less severe than indicated by the region classification.

FIGURE R301.2(7)
TERMITE INFESTATION PROBABILITY MAP



For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 degree = 0.0175 rad.
 Note: a = 1,220 mm (4 feet) in all cases.

FIGURE R301.2(8)
COMPONENT AND CLADDING PRESSURE ZONES

TABLE R301.2.1.3
WIND SPEED CONVERSIONS^a

V_{ult}	110	115	120	130	140	150	160	170	180	190	200
V_{asd}	85	89	93	101	108	116	124	132	139	147	155
V_{ult} (m/s)	49	51.4	53.6	58	62.6	67	71.5	76	80.5	85	89.4
V_{asd} (m/s)	38	39.8	41.6	45	48.3	51.9	55.4	59	62	65.7	69.3

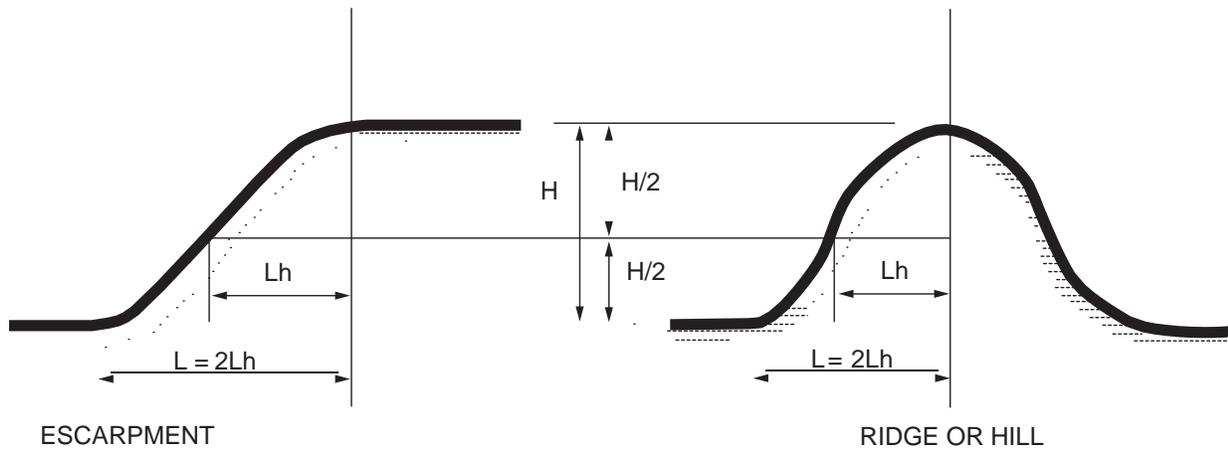
For Inch Pound Units: 1 m/s = 2.237 mile per hour.
 1. Linear interpolation is permitted.

**TABLE R301.2.1.5.1
ULTIMATE DESIGN WIND SPEED MODIFICATION FOR TOPOGRAPHIC WIND EFFECT^{a, b}**

ULTIMATE DESIGN WIND SPEED FROM FIGURE R301.2(5) (m/s)	AVERAGE SLOPE OF THE TOP HALF OF HILL, RIDGE OR ESCARPMENT (percent)						
	0.10	0.125	0.15	0.175	0.20	0.23	0.25
	Required ultimate design wind speed-up, modified for topographic wind speed-up (m/s)						
49	59.00	61.24	63.47	65.71	67.94	70.63	72.41
51.4	61.69	63.92	66.16	68.84	71.07	73.76	75.54
53.6	64.37	66.60	69.29	71.52	74.20	76.88	78.67
58	69.73	72.41	75.10	77.78	80.01	NA	NA
62.6	75.10	77.78	80.91	NA	NA	NA	NA
67	80.46	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

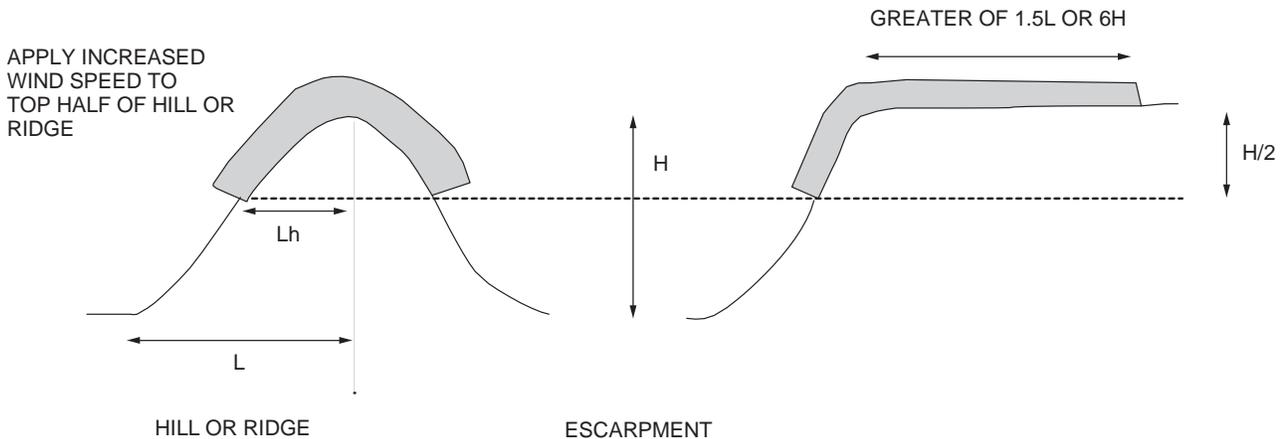
or Inch Pound Units: 1 m/s = 2.237 mile per hour, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot. NA = Not Applicable.

1. Table applies to a feature height of 152,250 mm (500 feet) or less and dwellings sited a distance equal or greater than half the feature height. Where the ultimate design wind speed as modified by Table R301.2.1.5.1 equals or exceeds 62.6 m/s (140 miles per hour), the building shall be considered as “wind design required” in accordance with Section R301.2.1.1.
- 2.

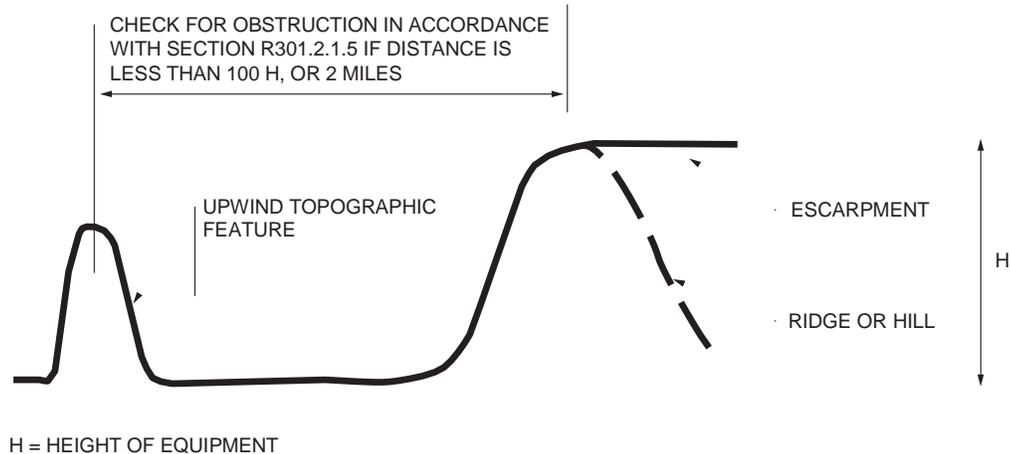


Note: H/2 determines the measurement point for Lh. L is twice Lh.

**FIGURE R301.2.1.5.1(1)
TOPOGRAPHIC FEATURES FOR WIND SPEED-UP EFFECT**



**FIGURE R301.2.1.5.1(2)
ILLUSTRATION OF WHERE ON A TOPOGRAPHIC FEATURE, WIND SPEED INCREASE IS APPLIED**



**FIGURE R301.2.1.5.1(3)
UPWIND OBSTRUCTION**

In these designated areas, topographic wind effects shall apply only to buildings sited on the top half of an isolated hill, ridge or escarpment where all of the following conditions exist:

1. The average slope of the top half of the hill, ridge or escarpment is 10 percent or greater.
2. The hill, ridge or escarpment is 18,300 mm (60 feet) or greater in height for Exposure B, 9,150 mm (30 feet) or greater in height for Exposure C, and 4,575 mm (15 feet) or greater in height for Exposure D.
3. The hill, ridge or escarpment is isolated or unobstructed by other topographic features of similar height in the upwind direction for a distance measured from its high point of 100 times its height or 3.2 km (2 miles), whichever is less. See Figure R301.2.1.5.1(3) for upwind obstruction.
4. The hill, ridge or escarpment protrudes by a factor of two or more above the height of other upwind topographic features located in any quadrant within a radius of 3.2 km (2 miles) measured from its high point.

R301.2.1.5.1 Simplified topographic wind speed-up method. As an alternative to the ASCE 7 topographic wind provisions, the provisions of Section R301.2.1.5.1 shall be permitted to be used to design for wind speed-up effects, where required by Section R301.2.1.5.

Structures located on the top half of isolated hills, ridges or escarpments meeting the conditions of Section R301.2.1.5 shall be designed for an increased basic wind speed as determined by Table R301.2.1.5.1. On the high side of an escarpment, the increased basic wind speed shall extend horizontally downwind from the edge of the escarpment 1.5 times the horizontal length of the upwind slope (1.5L) or 6 times the height of the escarpment (6H), whichever is greater. See Figure R301.2.1.5.1(2) for where wind speed increase is applied.

R301.2.2 Seismic provisions. Buildings in Seismic Design Categories C, D₀, D₁, and D₂ shall be constructed in accordance with the requirements of this section and other seismic requirements of this code. The seismic provisions of this code shall apply as follows:

1. *Townhouses* in Seismic Design Categories C, D₀, D₁ and D₂.
2. Detached one- and two-family *dwelling*s in Seismic Design Categories, D₀, D₁ and D₂.

Buildings in Seismic Design Category E shall be designed to resist seismic loads in accordance with the *Jamaica Building Code*, except where the seismic design category is reclassified to a lower seismic design category in accordance with Section R301.2.2.1. Components of buildings not required to be designed to resist seismic loads shall be constructed in accordance with the provisions of this code.

R301.2.2.1 Determination of seismic design category. Buildings shall be assigned a seismic design category in accordance with Figure R301.2(2).

R301.2.2.1.1 Alternate determination of seismic design category. The seismic design categories and corresponding short-period design spectral response accelerations, S_{DS} , shown in Figure R301.2(2), are based on soil Site Class D, used as an assumed default, as defined in Section 1613.2.2 of the *Jamaica Building Code*. If soil conditions are determined by the building official to be Site Class A, B, or D, the seismic design category and short-period design spectral response accelerations, S_{DS} , for a site shall be allowed to be determined in accordance with Figure R301.2(3), or Section 1613.2 of the *Jamaica Building Code*. The value of S_{DS} determined in accordance with Section 1613.2 of the *Jamaica Building Code* is permitted to be used to set the seismic design category in accordance with Table R301.2.2.1.1, and to interpolate between values in Tables R602.10.3(3), R603.9.2(1) and other seismic design requirements of this code.

**TABLE R301.2.2.1.1
SEISMIC DESIGN CATEGORY DETERMINATION**

CALCULATED S_{DS}	SEISMIC DESIGN CATEGORY
$S_{DS} \leq 0.17g$	A
$0.17g < S_{DS} \leq 0.33g$	B
$0.33g < S_{DS} \leq 0.50g$	C
$0.50g < S_{DS} \leq 0.67g$	D_0
$0.67g < S_{DS} \leq 0.83g$	D_1
$0.83g < S_{DS} \leq 1.25g$	D_2
$1.25g < S_{DS}$	E

R301.2.2.1.2 Alternative determination of Seismic Design Category E. Buildings located in Seismic Design Category E in accordance with Figure R301.2(2), or Figure R301.2(3) where applicable, are permitted to be reclassified as being in Seismic Design Category D_2 provided that one of the following is done:

1. A more detailed evaluation of the seismic design category is made in accordance with the provisions and maps of the *Jamaica Building Code*. Buildings located in Seismic Design Category E in accordance with Table R301.2.2.1.1, but located in Seismic Design Category D in accordance with the *Jamaica Building Code*, shall be permitted to be designed using the Seismic Design Category D_2 requirements of this code.
2. Buildings located in Seismic Design Category E that conform to the following additional restrictions are permitted to be constructed in accordance with the provisions for Seismic Design Category D_2 of this code:
 1. All exterior shear wall lines or *braced wall panels* are in one plane vertically from the foundation to the uppermost story.
 2. Floors shall not cantilever past the *exterior walls*.

The building is within the requirements of Section R301.2.2.2.6 for being considered as regular.

R301.2.2.2 Weights of materials. Average dead loads shall not exceed 720 Pa (15 pounds per square foot) for the combined roof and ceiling assemblies (on a horizontal projection) or 480 Pa (10 pounds per square foot) for floor assemblies, except as further limited by Section R301.2.2. Dead loads for walls above *grade* shall not exceed:

1. Seven hundred and twenty Pascals (Fifteen pounds per square foot) for exterior light-frame wood walls.
2. Six hundred and seventy Pascals (Fourteen pounds per square foot) for exterior light-frame cold-formed steel walls.
3. Four hundred and eighty Pascals (Ten pounds per square foot) for interior light-frame wood walls.

4. Two hundred and forty Pascals (Five pounds per square foot) for interior light-frame cold-formed steel walls.
5. Three thousand eight hundred and thirty Pascals (Eighty pounds per square foot) for 205 mm (8-inch)-thick masonry walls.
6. Four thousand and seventy Pascals (Eighty-five pounds per square foot) for 150 mm (6-inch)-thick concrete walls.
7. Four hundred and eighty Pascals (Ten pounds per square foot) for SIP walls.

Exceptions:

1. Roof and ceiling dead loads not exceeding 1,190 Pa (25 pounds per square foot) shall be permitted provided that the wall bracing amounts in Section R602.10.3 are increased in accordance with Table R602.10.3(4).
2. Fireplaces and chimneys shall be permitted in accordance with Chapter 10.

R301.2.2.3 Stone and masonry veneer. Anchored stone and masonry veneer shall comply with the requirements of Sections R702.1 and R703.

R301.2.2.4 Masonry construction. Masonry construction in Seismic Design Categories D_0 and D_1 shall comply with the requirements of Section R606.12.1. Masonry construction in Seismic Design Category D_2 shall comply with the requirements of Section R606.12.4.

R301.2.2.5 Concrete construction. Buildings with exterior above-grade concrete walls shall comply with PCA 100 or shall be designed in accordance with ACI 318.

R301.2.2.6 Irregular buildings. The seismic provisions of this code shall not be used for structures, or portions thereof, located in Seismic Design Categories C, D_0 , D_1 and D_2 and considered to be irregular in accordance with this section. A building or portion of a building shall be considered to be irregular where one or more of the conditions defined in Items 1 through 7 occur. Irregular structures, or irregular portions of structures, shall be designed by *registered design building professionals* only in accordance with accepted engineering practice to the extent the irregular features affect the performance of the remaining structural system. Where the forces associated with the irregularity are resisted by a structural system designed in accordance with accepted engineering practice, the remainder of the building shall be permitted to be designed using the provisions of this code.

1. **Shear wall or braced wall offsets out of plane.** Conditions where exterior shear wall lines or *braced wall panels* are not in one plane vertically

from the foundation to the uppermost story in which they are required.

Exception: For wood light-frame construction, floors with cantilevers or setbacks not exceeding four times the nominal depth of the wood floor joists are permitted to support *braced wall panels* that are out of plane with *braced wall panels* below provided that all of the following are satisfied:

1. Floor joists are nominal 51 mm by 255 mm (2 inches by 10 inches) or larger and spaced not more than 405 mm (16 inches) on center.
2. The ratio of the back span to the cantilever is not less than 2 to 1.
3. Floor joists at ends of *braced wall panels* are doubled.
4. For wood-frame construction, a continuous rim joist is connected to ends of cantilever joists. Where spliced, the rim joists shall be spliced using a galvanized metal tie not less than 1.5 mm (0.058 inch) (16 gage) and 38 mm (1½ inches) wide fastened with six 16d nails on each side of the splice; or a block of the same size as the rim joist and of sufficient length to fit securely between the joist space at which the splice occurs, fastened with eight 16d nails on each side of the splice.
5. Gravity loads carried at the end of cantilevered joists are limited to uniform wall and roof loads and the reactions from headers having a span of 2,450 mm (8 feet) or less.

2. **Lateral support of roofs and floors.** Conditions where a section of floor or roof is not laterally supported by shear walls or *braced wall lines* on all edges.

Exception: Portions of floors that do not support shear walls, braced wall panels above, or roofs shall be permitted to extend not more than 1,830 mm (6 feet) beyond a shear wall or *braced wall line*.

3. **Shear wall or braced wall offsets in plane.** Conditions where the end of a *braced wall panel* occurs over an opening in the wall below and extends more than 305 mm (1 foot) horizontally past the edge of the opening. This provision is applicable to shear walls and braced wall panels offset in plane and to braced wall panels offset out of plane in accordance with the exception to Item 1.

Exception: For wood light-frame wall construction, one end of a *braced wall panel* shall be permitted to extend more than 305 mm (1 foot) over an opening not more than 2,450 mm (8 feet)

in width in the wall below provided that the opening includes a header in accordance with all of the following:

1. The building width, loading condition and framing member species limitations of Table R602.7(1) shall apply.
2. The header is composed of:
 1. Not less than one 2 × 12 or two 2 × 10 for an opening not more than 1,220 mm (4 feet) wide.
 2. Not less than two 2 × 12 or three 2 × 10 for an opening not more than 1,830 mm (6 feet) in width.
 3. Not less than three 2 × 12 or four 2 × 10 for an opening not more than 2,450 mm (8 feet) in width.
3. The entire length of the *braced wall panel* does not occur over an opening in the wall below.
4. **Floor and roof opening.** Conditions where an opening in a floor or roof exceeds the lesser of 3,650 mm (12 feet) or 50 percent of the least floor or roof dimension.
5. **Floor level offset.** Conditions where portions of a floor level are vertically offset.

Exceptions:

1. Framing supported directly by continuous foundations at the perimeter of the building.
2. For wood light-frame construction, floors shall be permitted to be vertically offset where the floor framing is lapped or tied together as required by Section R502.6.1.
3. **Perpendicular shear wall and wall bracing.** Conditions where shear walls and *braced wall lines* do not occur in two perpendicular directions.
4. **Wall bracing in stories containing masonry or concrete construction.** Conditions where stories above *grade plane* are partially or completely braced by wood wall framing in accordance with Section R602 or cold-formed steel wall framing in accordance with Section R603 include masonry or concrete construction. Where this irregularity applies, the entire story shall be designed in accordance with accepted engineering practice.

Exceptions: Fireplaces, chimneys and masonry veneer in accordance with this code.

R301.2.2.7 Height limitations. Wood-framed buildings shall be limited to three stories above *grade plane* or the limits given in Table R602.10.3(3). Mezzanines as defined in Section R202 that comply with Section R325 shall not be con-

sidered as stories. Structural insulated panel buildings shall be limited to two stories above *grade plane*.

R301.2.2.8 Cold-formed steel framing in Seismic Design Categories D₀, D₁ and D₂. In Seismic Design Categories D₀, D₁ and D₂ in addition to the requirements of this code, cold-formed steel framing for non-loadbearing internal walls, floors and roofs shall comply with the requirements of AISI S230.

R301.2.2.9 Masonry chimneys. In Seismic Design Categories D₀, D₁ and D₂, masonry chimneys shall be reinforced and anchored to the building foundations in accordance with Sections R1003.3 and R1003.4.

R301.2.2.10 Anchorage of water heaters. In Seismic Design Categories D, D₁ and D₂, water heaters shall For insulating concrete form walls, the maximum story height shall not exceed 3,530 mm (11 feet 7 inches) and the be anchored against movement and overturning in accordance with Section M1307.2.

R301.2.3 Snow loads. Not applicable.

R301.2.4 Floodplain construction. Buildings and structures constructed in whole or in part in flood hazard areas (including A or V Zones) as established in Table R301.2(1), and substantial improvement and *repair* of substantial damage of buildings and structures in flood hazard areas, shall be designed and constructed in accordance with Section R322. Buildings and structures that are located in more than one flood hazard area shall comply with the provisions associated with the most restrictive flood hazard area. Buildings and structures located in whole or in part in identified floodways shall be designed and constructed in accordance with ASCE 24.

R301.2.4.1 Alternative provisions. As an alternative to the requirements in Section R322, ASCE 24 is permitted for use only by *registered design building professionals* subject to the limitations of this code and the limitations therein.

R301.3 Story height. The wind and seismic provisions of this code shall apply to buildings with *story heights* not exceeding the following:

1. For wood wall framing, the *story height* shall not exceed 3,530 mm (11 feet 7 inches) and the laterally unsupported bearing wall stud height permitted by Table R602.3(5).
2. For cold-formed steel wall framing not allowed for exterior walls, the *story height* shall be not more than 3, 530 mm (11 feet 7 inches) and the unsupported bearing wall stud height shall be not more than 3,050 mm (10 feet).
3. For masonry walls, the *story height* shall be not more than 4,150 mm (13 feet 7 inches) and the bearing wall clear height shall be not more than 3,650 mm (12 feet).

Exception: An additional 2,450 mm (8 feet) of bearing wall clear height is permitted for gable end walls.

maximum unsupported wall height per *story* as permitted by Section R608 tables shall not exceed 3,050 mm (10 feet).

5. For structural insulated panel (SIP) walls , the story height shall be not more than 3,530 mm (11 feet 7 inches) and the bearing wall height per *story* as permitted by Section R610 tables shall not exceed 3,050 mm (10 feet).

Individual walls or wall studs shall be permitted to exceed these limits as permitted by Chapter 6 provisions, provided that *story heights* are not exceeded. An engineered design

shall be provided for the wall or wall framing members where

the limits of Chapter 6 are exceeded. Where the *story height* limits of this section are exceeded, the design of the building, or the noncompliant portions thereof, to resist wind and seismic loads shall be in accordance with the *Jamaica Building Code*.

R301.4 Dead load. The actual weights of materials and construction shall be used for determining dead load with consideration for the dead load of fixed service *equipment*.

R301.5 Live load. The minimum uniformly distributed live load shall be as provided in Table R301.5.

**TABLE R301.5
MINIMUM UNIFORMLY DISTRIBUTED LIVE LOADS
(in kilopascals)**

USE	LIVE LOAD (kPa)
Uninhabitable attics without storage ^b	0.479
Uninhabitable attics with limited storage ^{b, g}	0.958
Habitable attics and attics served with fixed stairs	1.437
Balconies (exterior) and decks ^c	1.916
Fire escapes	1.916
Guards and handrails ^d	9.580 ^h
Guard in-fill components ^l	2.395 ^h
Passenger vehicle garages ^a	2.395 ^a
Rooms other than sleeping rooms	1.916
Sleeping rooms	1.437
Stairs	1.916 ^c

²For Inch Pound Units 1 kPa = 20.877 pound per square foot, 1 mm² = 0.00155 square inch, 1 N = 0.2247 pound.

- a. Elevated garage floors shall be capable of supporting a 909 kg (2,000-pound) load applied over a 12,900 mm² (20-square-inch) area.
- b. Uninhabitable attics without storage are those where the clear height between joists and rafters is not more than 1,065 mm (42 inches) or where there are not two or more adjacent trusses with web configurations capable of accommodating an assumed rectangle 1,065 mm (42 inches) in height by 610 mm (24 inches) in width, or greater, within the plane of the trusses. This live load need not be assumed to act concurrently with any other live load requirements.
- c. Individual stair treads shall be designed for the uniformly distributed live load or a 136 kg (300-pound) concentrated load acting over an area of 2,580 mm² (4 square inches), whichever produces the greater stresses.
- d. A single concentrated load applied in any direction at any point along the top.
- e. See Section R507.1 for decks attached to exterior walls.
- f. Guard in-fill components (all those except the handrail), balusters and panel fillers shall be designed to withstand a horizontally

1. applied normal load of 22.75 kg (50 pounds) on an area equal to 0.0928 m² (1 square foot). This load need not be assumed to act concurrently with any other live load requirement.

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TABLE R301.5—continued
MINIMUM UNIFORMLY DISTRIBUTED LIVE LOADS
(in kilopascals [pounds per square foot])

- Uninhabitable attics with limited storage are those where the clear height between joists and rafters is 1,065 mm (42 inches) or greater, or where there are two or more adjacent trusses with web configurations capable of accommodating an assumed rectangle 1,065 mm in height by 610 mm in width (42 inches in height by 24 inches in width), or greater, within the plane of the trusses.

The live load need only be applied to those portions of the joists or truss bottom chords where all of the following conditions are met:

- The attic area is accessed from an opening not less than 510 mm in width by 760 mm in length (20 inches in width by 30 inches in length) that is located where the clear height in the attic is not less than 760 mm (30 inches).
- The slopes of the joists or truss bottom chords are not greater than 51 mm (2 inches) vertical to 12 units horizontal.
- Required insulation depth is less than the joist or truss bottom chord member depth.

The remaining portions of the joists or truss bottom chords shall be designed for a uniformly distributed concurrent live load of not less than 0.479 kPa (10 pounds per square foot).

- Glazing used in handrail assemblies and guards shall be designed with a safety factor of 4. The safety factor shall be applied to each of the concentrated loads applied to the top of the rail, and to the load on the infill components. These loads shall be determined independent of one another, and loads are assumed not to occur with any other live load.

R301.6 Roof load. The roof shall be designed for the live load indicated in Table R301.6.

TABLE R301.6
MINIMUM ROOF LIVE LOADS IN KILOPASCALS OF
HORIZONTAL PROJECTION

ROOF SLOPE	TRIBUTARY LOADED AREA IN KILOPASCALS PER SQUARE METRE OVER A DEFINED SQUARE METRE AREA FOR ANY STRUCTURAL MEMBER		
	0 to 18.6	18.6 to 55.74	Over 55.74
Flat or rise less than 100 mm per 300 mm (1:3)	0.958	0.766	0.575
Rise 100 mm per 300 mm (1:3) to less than 300 mm per 300 mm (1:1)	0.766	0.671	0.575
Rise 300 mm per 300 mm (1:1) and greater.	0.575	0.575	0.575

For Inch Pound Units: 1 m² = 10.764 square foot, 1 kPa = 20.877 pound per square foot, 1 mm/m = 0.012 inch per foot.

R301.7 Deflection. The allowable deflection of any structural member under the live load listed in Sections R301.5 and R301.6 or wind loads determined by Section R301.2.1 shall not exceed the values in Table R301.7.

R301.8 Nominal sizes. For the purposes of this

code, dimensions of lumber specified shall be deemed to be nominal dimensions unless specifically designated as actual dimensions.

SECTION R302
FIRE-RESISTANT CONSTRUCTION

R302.1 Exterior walls. Construction, projections, openings and penetrations of *exterior walls* of *dwelling*s and accessory buildings shall comply with Table R302.1(1); or *dwelling*s equipped throughout with an *automatic sprinkler system*

installed in accordance with Section P2904 shall comply with Table R302.1(2).

Exceptions:

- Walls, projections, openings or penetrations in walls perpendicular to the line used to determine the *fire separation distance*.
- Walls of *individual dwelling units* and their *accessory structures* located on the same *lot*.
- Detached tool sheds and storage sheds, playhouses and similar structures exempted from building permits are not required to provide wall protection based on location on the *lot*. Projections beyond the *exterior wall* shall not extend over the *lot line*.
- Detached garages accessory to a *dwelling* located within 610 mm (2 feet) of a *lot line* are permitted to have roof eave projections not exceeding 100 mm (4 inches).
- Foundation vents installed in compliance with this code are permitted.

TABLE R301.7
ALLOWABLE DEFLECTION OF STRUCTURAL MEMBERS^{b, c}

STRUCTURAL MEMBER	ALLOWABLE DEFLECTION
Rafters having slopes greater than 3:12 with finished ceiling not attached to rafters	L/180
Interior walls and partitions	H/180
Floors	L/360
Ceilings with brittle finishes (including plaster and stucco)	L/360
Ceilings with flexible finishes (including gypsum board)	L/240
All other structural members	L/240
Exterior walls—wind loads ^a with plaster or stucco finish	H/360
Exterior walls—wind loads ^a with other brittle finishes	H/240
Exterior walls—wind loads ^a with flexible finishes	H/120 ^d
Lintels supporting masonry veneer walls ^c	L/600

Note: L = span length, H = span height.

a. For the purpose of the determining deflection limits herein, the wind load shall be permitted to be taken as 0.7 times the component and cladding (ASD) loads obtained from Table R301.2(2).

b. For cantilever members, L shall be taken as twice the length of the cantilever.

- For aluminum structural members or panels used in roofs or walls of sunroom additions or patio covers, not supporting edge of glass or sandwich panels, the total load deflection shall not exceed L/60. For continuous aluminum structural members supporting edge of glass, the total load deflection shall not exceed L/175 for each glass lite or L/60 for the entire length of the member, whichever is more stringent. For sandwich panels used in roofs or walls of sunroom additions or patio covers, the total load deflection shall not exceed L/120.
- . This type of exterior wall is not allowed.
- Refer to Section R703.8.2.

R302.2 Townhouses. Walls separating townhouse units shall be constructed in accordance with Section R302.2.1 or R302.2.2.

R302.2.1 Double walls. Each townhouse shall be considered as a separate building and therefore separated by two 1-hour fire-resistance-rated wall assemblies of wood or concrete tested in accordance with ASTM E119 or UL 263.

R302.2.2 Common walls. Common walls separating townhouses shall be assigned a fire-resistance rating in accordance with Item 1 or 2. The common wall shared by two townhouses shall be constructed without plumbing or mechanical equipment, ducts or vents in the cavity of the common wall. The wall shall be rated for fire exposure from both sides and shall extend to and be tight against exterior walls and the underside of the roof sheathing.

**TABLE R302.1(1)
EXTERIOR WALLS**

EXTERIOR WALL ELEMENT		MINIMUM FIRE-RESISTANCE RATING	MINIMUM FIRE SEPARATION DISTANCE
Walls	Fire-resistance rated	1 hour—tested in accordance with ASTM E119 or UL 263 with exposure from both sides	0 mm
	Not fire-resistance rated	0 hours	≥ 1,525 mm
Projections	Not allowed	NA	< 610 mm
	Fire-resistance rated	1 hour on the underside, or heavy timber, or fire-retardant-treated wood ^{a, b}	≥ 610 mm to < 1,525 mm
	Not fire-resistance rated	0 hours	≥ 1,525 mm
Openings in walls	Not allowed	NA	< 915 mm
	25% maximum of wall area	0 hours	915 mm
	Unlimited	0 hours	1,525 mm
Penetrations	All	Comply with Section R302.4	< 915 mm
		None required	915 mm

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.00328 foot. NA = Not Applicable.

- The fire-resistance rating shall be permitted to be reduced to 0 hours on the underside of the eave overhang if fireblocking is provided from the wall top plate to the underside of the roof sheathing.
- The fire-resistance rating shall be permitted to be reduced to 0 hours on the underside of the rake overhang where gable vent openings are not installed.

**TABLE R302.1(2)
EXTERIOR WALLS—DWELLINGS WITH FIRE SPRINKLERS**

EXTERIOR WALL ELEMENT		MINIMUM FIRE-RESISTANCE RATING	MINIMUM FIRE SEPARATION DISTANCE
Walls	Fire-resistance rated	1 hour—tested in accordance with ASTM E119, UL 263 or Section 703.3 of the <i>Jamaica Building Code</i> with exposure from the outside	0 mm
	Not fire-resistance rated	0 hours	915 mm ^a
Projections	Not allowed	NA	< 610 mm
	Fire-resistance rated	1 hour on the underside, or heavy timber, or fire-retardant-treated wood ^{b, c}	610 mm ^a
	Not fire-resistance rated	0 hours	915 mm
Openings in walls	Not allowed	NA	< 915 mm
	Unlimited	0 hours	915 mm ^a
Penetrations	All	Comply with Section R302.4	< 915 mm
		None required	915 mm ^a

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.00328 foot. NA = Not Applicable.

- For residential subdivisions where all dwellings are equipped throughout with an automatic sprinkler system installed in accordance with Section P2904, the fire separation distance for exterior walls not fire-resistance rated and for fire-resistance-rated projections shall be permitted to be reduced to 0 mm (feet), and unlimited unprotected openings and penetrations shall be permitted, where the adjoining lot provides an open setback yard that is 1,830 mm (6 feet or more in width on the opposite side of the property line).
- The fire-resistance rating shall be permitted to be reduced to 0 hours on the underside of the eave overhang if fireblocking is provided from the wall top plate to the underside of the roof sheathing.
- The fire-resistance rating shall be permitted to be reduced to 0 hours on the underside of the rake overhang where gable vent openings are not installed.

Electrical installations shall be in accordance with Chapters 34 through 43. Penetrations of the membrane of common walls for electrical outlet boxes shall be in accordance with Section R302.4.

1. Where a fire sprinkler system in accordance with Section P2904 is provided, the common wall shall be not less than a 1-hour fire-resistance-rated wall assembly tested in accordance with ASTM E119, UL 263 or Section 703.3 of the *Jamaica Building Code*.
2. Where a fire sprinkler system in accordance with Section P2904 is not provided, the common wall shall be not less than a 2-hour fire-resistance-rated wall assembly tested in accordance with ASTM E119, UL 263 or Section 703.3 of the *Jamaica Building Code*.

R302.2.3 Continuity. The fire-resistance-rated wall or assembly separating *townhouses* shall be continuous from the foundation to the underside of the roof sheathing, deck or slab. The fire-resistance rating shall extend the full length of the wall or assembly, including wall extensions through and separating attached enclosed *accessory structures*.

R302.2.4 Parapets for townhouses. Parapets constructed in accordance with Section R302.2.5 shall be constructed for *townhouses* as an extension of exterior walls or common walls in accordance with the following:

1. Where roof surfaces adjacent to the wall or walls are at the same elevation, the parapet shall extend not less than 760 mm (30 inches) above the roof surfaces.
2. Where roof surfaces adjacent to the wall or walls are at different elevations and the higher roof is not more than 760 mm (30 inches) above the lower roof, the parapet shall extend not less than 760 mm (30 inches) above the lower roof surface.

Exception: A parapet is not required in the preceding two cases where the roof covering complies with a minimum Class C rating as tested in accordance with ASTM E108 or UL 790 and the roof decking or sheathing is of noncombustible materials or fire-retardant-treated wood for a distance of 1,220 mm (4 feet) on each side of the wall or walls, or one layer of 16 mm (⁵/₈-inch) Type X gypsum fire-resistance rating. The wall shall be rated for exposure from both sides.

R302.2.5 Parapet construction. Parapets shall have the same fire-resistance rating as that required for the supporting wall or walls. On any side adjacent to a roof surface, the parapet shall have noncombustible faces for the uppermost 455 mm (18 inches), to include counterflashing and coping materials. Where the roof slopes toward a parapet at slopes greater than 2 units vertical in 12 units horizontal (16.7-percent slope), the parapet shall extend to the same height as any portion of the roof within a distance of 915 mm (3 feet), and the height shall be not less than 760 mm (30 inches).

R302.2.6 Structural independence. Each individual *townhouse* shall be structurally independent.

Exceptions:

1. Foundations supporting *exterior walls* or common walls.
2. Structural roof and wall sheathing from each unit fastened to the common wall framing.
3. Nonstructural wall and roof coverings.
4. Flashing at termination of roof covering over common wall.
5. *Townhouses* separated by a common wall as provided in Section R302.2.2, Item 1 or 2.

R302.3 Two-family dwellings.

Dwelling units in two-family dwellings shall be separated from each other by wall and/or floor assemblies having not less than a 1-hour fire-resistance rating where tested in accordance with ASTM E119, UL 263 or Section 703.3 of the *Jamaica Building Code*. Fire-resistance-rated floor/ceiling and wall assemblies shall extend to and be tight against the *exterior wall*, and wall assemblies shall extend from the foundation to the underside of the roof sheathing.

Exceptions:

1. A fire-resistance rating of ¹/₂ hour shall be permitted in buildings equipped throughout with an automatic sprinkler system installed in accordance with NFPA 13.

Wall assemblies need not extend through *attic* spaces where the ceiling is protected by not less than 16 mm (⁵/₈-inch) board is installed directly beneath the roof decking or sheathing, supported by not less than nominal 51 mm (2- Type X gypsum board, *an attic*

inch) ledgers attached to the sides of the roof framing members, for a distance of not less than 1,220 mm (4 feet) on each side of the wall or walls and any openings or penetrations in the roof are not within 1,220 mm (4 feet) of the common walls. Fire-retardant-treated wood shall meet the requirements of Sections R802.1.5 and R803.2.1.2.

2. A parapet is not required where roof surfaces adjacent to the wall or walls are at different elevations and the higher roof is more than 760 mm (30 inches) above the lower roof. The common wall construction from the lower roof to the underside of the higher roof deck shall have not less than a 1-hour

constructed as specified in Section R302.12.1 is provided above and along the wall assembly separating the *dwelling*s and the structural framing supporting the ceiling is protected by not less than 12.5 mm (¹/₂-inch) gypsum board or equivalent.

R302.3.1 Supporting construction. Where floor assemblies are required to be fire-resistance rated by Section R302.3, the supporting construction of such assemblies shall have an equal or greater fire-resistance rating.

R302.4 Dwelling unit rated penetrations. Penetrations of wall or floor-ceiling assemblies required to be fire-resistance rated in accordance with Section R302.2 or R302.3 shall be protected in accordance with this section.

R302.4.1 Through penetrations. Through penetrations of fire-resistance-rated wall or floor assemblies shall comply with Section R302.4.1.1 or R302.4.1.2.

Exception: Where the penetrating items are steel, ferrous or copper pipes, tubes or conduits, the annular space shall be protected as follows:

1. In concrete or masonry wall or floor assemblies, concrete, grout or mortar shall be permitted where installed to the full thickness of the wall or floor assembly or the thickness required to maintain the fire-resistance rating, provided that both of the following are complied with:
 1. The nominal diameter of the penetrating item is not more than 150 mm (6 inches).
 2. The area of the opening through the wall does not exceed 92,900 mm² (144 square inches).
2. The material used to fill the annular space shall prevent the passage of flame and hot gases sufficient to ignite cotton waste where subjected to ASTM E119 or UL 263 time temperature fire conditions under a positive pressure differential of not less than 3Pa (0.01 inch of water) at the location of the penetration for the time period equivalent to the fire-resistance rating of the construction penetrated.

R302.4.1.1 Fire-resistance-rated assembly. Penetrations shall be installed as tested in the *approved* fire-resistance-rated assembly.

R302.4.1.2 Penetration firestop system. Penetrations shall be protected by an *approved* penetration firestop system installed as tested in accordance with ASTM E814 or UL 1479, with a positive pressure differential of not less than 3 Pa (0.01 inch of water) and shall have an F rating of not less than the required fire-resistance rating of the wall or floor-ceiling assembly penetrated.

R302.4.2 Membrane penetrations. Membrane penetrations shall comply with Section R302.4.1. Where walls are required to have a fire-resistance rating, recessed fixtures shall be installed so that the required fire-resistance rating will not be reduced.

Exceptions:

1. Membrane penetrations of not more than 2-hour fire-resistance-rated walls and partitions by steel electrical boxes that do not exceed 0.0103 m² (16 square inches) in area provided that the aggregate area of the openings through the membrane does not exceed 0.0645 m² (100 square inches) in any 9.29 m² (100 square feet) of wall area. The annular space between the wall membrane and the box shall not exceed 3 mm (¹/₈ inch). Such boxes on opposite sides of the wall shall be separated by one of the following:

By a horizontal distance of not less than 610 mm (24 inches) where the wall or

partition is constructed with individual noncommunicating stud cavities.

2. By a horizontal distance of not less than the depth of the wall cavity where the wall cavity is filled with cellulose loose-fill, rockwool or slag mineral wool insulation.
 3. By solid fire-blocking in accordance with Section R302.11.
 4. By protecting both boxes with *listed* putty pads.
 5. By other *listed* materials and methods.
2. Membrane penetrations by *listed* electrical boxes of any materials provided that the boxes have been tested for use in fire-resistance-rated assemblies and are installed in accordance with the instructions included in the *listing*. The annular space between the wall membrane and the box shall not exceed 3 mm (¹/₈ inch) unless *listed* otherwise. Such boxes on opposite sides of the wall shall be separated by one of the following:
 1. By the horizontal distance specified in the *listing* of the electrical boxes.
 2. By solid fire-blocking in accordance with Section R302.11.
 3. By protecting both boxes with *listed* putty pads.
 4. By other *listed* materials and methods.
 3. The annular space created by the penetration of a fire sprinkler provided that it is covered by a metal escutcheon plate.
 4. Ceiling membrane penetrations by *listed* luminaires or by luminaires protected with *listed* materials that have been tested for use in fire-resistance-rated assemblies and are installed in accordance with the instructions included in the *listing*.

R302.5 Dwelling-garage/car-port opening and penetration protection. Openings and penetrations through the walls or ceilings separating the *dwelling* from the garage shall be in accordance with Sections R302.5.1 through R302.5.3.

R302.5.1 Opening protection. Openings from a private garage or car-port directly into a room used for sleeping purposes shall not be permitted. Other openings between the garage and residence shall be equipped with solid wood doors not less than 35 mm (¹/₂ inches) in thickness, solid or honeycomb-core steel doors not less than 35 mm (¹/₂ inches) thick, or 20 minute fire-rated doors, equipped with a self-closing or automatic-closing device. Where the wood door option is used, it shall be treated with an approved fire retardant material.

R302.5.1.1 Exhaustion of toxic gases and fumes. Garages enclosed on all sides shall be equipped with a carbon monoxide monitoring system and an exhaust system that automatically comes on:

- a. When the garage door is closed after entry.
 - b. When the level of carbon monoxide reaches the detection level of the monitor. At no time shall the level of carbon monoxide exceed 50 ppm.
- Once the exhaust system comes on it shall run for the

period of time that it takes to remove the total volume of air in the garage.

Exhaust fans shall be mounted preferably in the ceiling of the garage but wall mounted exhaust within 300 mm from the ceiling will be accepted.

R302.5.2 Duct penetration. Ducts in the garage and ducts penetrating the walls or ceilings separating the *dwelling* from the garage shall be constructed of a minimum 0.48 mm (No. 26 gage) sheet steel or other *approved* material and shall not have openings into the garage.

R302.5.3 Other penetrations. Penetrations through the separation required in Section R302.6 shall be protected as required by Section R302.11, Item 4.

R302.6 Dwelling-garage/car-port fire separation. The garage shall be separated as required by Table R302.6. Openings in garage walls shall comply with Section R302.5. Attachment of gypsum board shall comply with Table R702.3.5. The wall separation provisions of Table R302.6 shall not apply to garage walls that are perpendicular to the adjacent *dwelling unit* wall.

R302.7 Under-stair protection. Enclosed space under stairs that is *accessed* by a door or access panel shall have walls, under-stair surface and any soffits protected on the enclosed side with 12.5 mm (1/2-inch) gypsum board.

R302.8 Foam plastics. For requirements for foam plastics, see Section R316.

R302.9 Flame spread index and smoke-developed index for wall and ceiling finishes. Flame spread and smoke-developed indices for wall and ceiling finishes shall be in accordance with Sections R302.9.1 through R302.9.4.

R302.9.1 Flame spread index. Wall and ceiling finishes shall have a flame spread index of not greater than 200.

Exception: Flame spread index requirements for finishes shall not apply to trim defined as picture molds, chair rails, baseboards and handrails; to doors and windows or their frames; or to materials that are less than 0.91 mm (1/28 Inch) in thickness cemented to the surface of walls or ceilings if these materials exhibit flame spread index values not greater than those of paper of this thickness cemented to a noncombustible backing.

R302.9.2 Smoke-developed index. Wall and ceiling finishes shall have a smoke-developed index of not greater than 450.

R302.9.3 Testing. Tests shall be made in accordance with ASTM E84 or UL 723.

R302.9.4 Alternative test method. As an alternative to having a flame spread index of not greater than 200 and a smoke-developed index of not greater than 450 where tested in accordance with ASTM E84 or UL 723, wall and ceiling finishes shall be permitted to be tested in accordance with NFPA 286. Materials tested in accordance with NFPA 286 shall meet the following criteria:

The interior finish shall comply with the following:

1. During the 40 kW exposure, flames shall not spread to the ceiling.
2. The flame shall not spread to the outer extremity of the sample on any wall or ceiling.
3. Flashover, as defined in NFPA 286, shall not occur.
4. The peak heat release rate throughout the test shall not exceed 800 kW.
5. The total smoke released throughout the test shall not exceed 1,000 m².

R302.10 Flame spread index and smoke-developed index for insulation. Flame spread and smoke-developed index for insulation shall be in accordance with Sections R302.10.1 through R302.10.5.

R302.10.1 Insulation. Insulating materials installed within floor-ceiling assemblies, roof-ceiling assemblies, wall assemblies, crawl spaces and *attics* shall comply with the requirements of this section. They shall exhibit a flame spread index not to exceed 25 and a smoke-developed index not to exceed 450 where tested in accordance with ASTM E84 or UL 723. Insulating materials, where tested in accordance with the requirements of this section, shall include facings, where used, such as vapour retarders, vapour permeable membranes and similar coverings.

Exceptions:

1. Where such materials are installed in concealed spaces, the flame spread index and smoke-developed index limitations do not apply to the facings, provided that the facing is installed in substantial contact with the unexposed surface of the ceiling, floor or wall finish.
2. Cellulose fiber loose-fill insulation that is not spray applied and that complies with the requirements of Section R302.10.3 shall not be required to meet the flame spread index requirements but shall be required to meet a smoke-developed index of not more than 450 where tested in accordance with CAN/ULC S102.2.
3. Foam plastic insulation shall comply with Section R316.

**TABLE R302.6
DWELLING-GARAGE SEPARATION**

SEPARATION	MATERIAL
From the residence and attics	Reinforced concrete walls, beams, columns and slabs of at least 2 hour fire rating or not less than 1/2-inch Type X gypsum board or equivalent applied to the garage side for wooden buildings
From habitable rooms above the garage	Not less than 100 mm (4 inches) thick reinforced concrete slab of at least 2 hour fire rating or 16 mm (5/8-inch) Type X gypsum board or equivalent on the garage side of ceiling for wooden buildings.
Structure(s) supporting floor/ceiling assemblies used for separation required by this section	Reinforced concrete shear and load bearing walls, beams, columns and slabs of at least 2 hour fire rating or not less than 1/2-inch Type X gypsum board or equivalent for wooden buildings.

Garages located less than 3 feet from a dwelling unit on the same lot	Not less than 100 mm (4 inches) thick reinforced masonry or concrete walls with 2 hour fire rating or not less than 1/2-inch Type X gypsum board or equivalent applied to the interior side of exterior walls that are within this area for wooden buildings.
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For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00326 foot.

R302.10.2 Loose-fill insulation. Loose-fill insulation materials that cannot be mounted in the ASTM E84 or UL 723 apparatus without a screen or artificial supports shall comply with the flame spread and smoke-developed limits of Section R302.10.1 where tested in accordance with CAN/ULC S102.2.

Exception: Cellulosic fiber loose-fill insulation shall not be required to be tested in accordance with CAN/ULC S102.2, provided that such insulation complies with the requirements of Sections R302.10.1 and R302.10.3.

R302.10.3 Cellulosic fiber loose-fill insulation. Cellulosic fiber loose-fill insulation shall comply with CPSC 16 CFR, Parts 1209 and 1404. Each package of such insulating material shall be clearly *labelled* in accordance with CPSC 16 CFR, Parts 1209 and 1404.

R302.10.4 Exposed attic insulation. Exposed insulation materials installed on *attic* floors shall have a critical radiant flux of not less than 0.12 watt per square centimeter.

R302.10.5 Testing. Tests for critical radiant flux shall be made in accordance with ASTM E970.

R302.11 Fireblocking. In combustible construction, fireblocking shall be provided to cut off both vertical and horizontal concealed draft openings and to form an effective fire barrier between stories, and between a top *story* and the roof space.

Fire-blocking shall be provided in wood-framed construction in the following locations:

1. In concealed spaces of stud walls and partitions, including furred spaces and parallel rows of studs or staggered studs, as follows:
 1. Vertically at the ceiling and floor levels.
 2. Horizontally at intervals not exceeding 3,050 mm (10 feet).
2. At interconnections between concealed vertical and horizontal spaces such as occur at soffits, drop ceilings and cove ceilings.
3. In concealed spaces between stair stringers at the top and bottom of the run. Enclosed spaces under stairs shall comply with Section R302.7.
4. At openings around vents, pipes, ducts, cables and wires at ceiling and floor level, with an *approved* material to resist the free passage of flame and products of combustion. The material filling this annular space shall not be required to meet the ASTM E136 requirements.
5. For the fire-blocking of chimneys and fireplaces, see Section R1003.19.

6. Fire-blocking of cornices of a two-family *dwelling* is required at the line of *dwelling unit* separation.

R302.11.1 Fire-blocking materials. Except as provided in Section R302.11, Item 4, fire-blocking shall consist of the following materials.

1. Fifty one millimetres (Two-inch) nominal lumber.

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- Two thicknesses of 25 mm (1-inch) nominal lumber with broken lap joints.
- One thickness of 18.3 mm ($^{23}/_{32}$ -inch) wood structural panels with joints backed by 18.3 mm ($^{23}/_{32}$ -inch) wood structural panels.
- One thickness of 19 mm ($^{3}/_{4}$ -inch) particleboard with joints backed by 19 mm ($^{3}/_{4}$ -inch) particle-board.
- Twelve and a half millimetres (One-half-inch) gypsum board.
- Six point three five millimetres (One-quarter-inch) cement-based millboard.
- Batts or blankets of mineral wool or glass fiber or other *approved* materials installed in such a manner as to be securely retained in place.
- Cellulose insulation installed as tested in accordance with ASTM E119 or UL 263, for the specific application.

R302.11.1.1 Batts or blankets of mineral or glass fiber. Batts or blankets of mineral or glass fiber or other *approved* nonrigid materials shall be permitted for compliance with the 3,050 mm (10-foot) horizontal fire-blocking in walls constructed using parallel rows of studs or staggered studs.

R302.11.1.2 Unfaced fiberglass. Unfaced fiberglass batt insulation used as fire-blocking shall fill the entire cross section of the wall cavity to a height of not less than 405 mm (16 inches) measured vertically. Where piping, conduit or similar obstructions are encountered, the insulation shall be packed tightly around the obstruction.

R302.11.1.3 Loose-fill insulation material. Loose-fill insulation material shall not be used as a fire-block unless specifically tested in the form and manner intended for use to demonstrate its ability to remain in place and to retard the spread of fire and hot gases.

R302.11.2 Fire-blocking integrity. The integrity of fire-blocks shall be maintained.

R302.12 Draftstopping. In combustible construction where there is usable space both above and below the concealed space of a floor-ceiling assembly, draftstops shall be installed so that the area of the concealed space does not exceed 92.9 m² (1,000 square feet). Draftstopping shall divide the concealed space into approximately equal areas. Where the assembly is enclosed by a floor membrane above and a ceiling membrane below, draftstopping shall be provided in floor-ceiling assemblies under the following circumstances:

- Ceiling is suspended under the floor framing.
- Floor framing is constructed of truss-type open-web or perforated

members.

R302.12.1 Materials. Draftstopping materials shall be not less than 12.5 mm ($^{1}/_{2}$ -inch) gypsum board, 9.5 mm ($^{3}/_{8}$ -inch) wood structural panels or other *approved* materials adequately supported. Draftstopping shall be installed parallel to the floor framing members unless otherwise *approved* by the *building official*. The integrity of the draftstops shall be maintained.

R302.13 Fire protection of floors. Floor assemblies that are not required elsewhere in this code to be fire-resistance rated, shall be provided with a 12.5 mm ($1/2$ -inch) gypsum wall-board membrane, 16 mm ($5/8$ -inch) wood structural panel membrane, or equivalent on the underside of the floor framing member. Penetrations or openings for ducts, vents, electrical outlets, lighting, devices, luminaires, wires, speakers, drainage, piping and similar openings or penetrations shall be permitted.

Exceptions:

1. Floor assemblies located directly over a space protected by an automatic sprinkler system in accordance with Section P2904, NFPA 13D, or other approved equivalent sprinkler system.
2. Floor assemblies located directly over a crawl space not intended for storage or for the installation of fuel-fired or electric-powered heating appliances.
3. Portions of floor assemblies shall be permitted to be unprotected where complying with the following:
 1. The aggregate area of the unprotected portions does not exceed 7.4 m² (80 square feet) per story.
 2. Fire-blocking in accordance with Section R302.11.1 is installed along the perimeter of the unprotected portion to separate the unprotected portion from the remainder of the floor assembly.
4. Wood floor assemblies using dimension lumber or structural composite lumber equal to or greater than 51 mm by 255 mm (2-inch by 10-inch) nominal dimension, or other approved floor assemblies demonstrating equivalent fire performance.

R302.14 Combustible insulation clearance. Combustible insulation shall be separated not less than 76 mm (3 inches) from recessed luminaires, fan motors and other heat-producing devices.

Exception: Where heat-producing devices are *listed* for lesser clearances, combustible insulation complying with the 76 mm (3 inches) requirement shall be separated in accordance with the conditions stipulated in the listing.

Recessed luminaires installed in the *building thermal envelope* shall meet the requirements of Section N1102.4.5 of this code.

SECTION R303 LIGHT, VENTILATION AND HEATING

R303.1 Habitable rooms. Habitable rooms shall have an aggregate glazing area of not less than 8 percent of the floor area of such rooms. Natural *ventilation* shall be provided through windows, skylights, doors, louvers or other *approved* openings to the outdoor air. Such openings shall be provided with ready access or shall otherwise be readily controllable by the build-

ing occupants. The openable area to the outdoors shall be not less than 4 percent of the floor area being ventilated if the building is built with air-conditioning. If the building is not being built with air-conditioning, the minimum openable area shall relate to its size and shall be as follows:

- a. For building units of size up to 80 m² (800 ft²) the minimum openable area shall be ten per cent (10%) of the floor area.
- b. For building units having a size from 81 m² to 200 m² (810 ft² to 2,000 ft²) the minimum openable area shall be twelve and a half per cent (12½%) of the floor area.
- c. For building units having a size above 201 m² (2,010 ft²) the minimum openable area shall be fifteen per cent (15%) of the floor area.

Exceptions:

1. The glazed areas need not be openable where the opening is not required by Section R310 and a whole-house mechanical *ventilation* system is installed in accordance with Section M1505.
2. The glazed areas need not be installed in rooms where Exception 1 is satisfied and artificial light is provided that is capable of producing an average illumination of 65 lux (6 footcandles) over the area of the room at a height of 760 mm (30 inches) above the floor level.
3. Use of sunroom and patio covers, as defined in Section R202, shall be permitted for natural *ventilation* if in excess of 40 percent of the exterior sunroom walls are open, or are enclosed only by insect screening.

R303.2 Adjoining rooms. For the purpose of determining light and *ventilation* requirements, rooms shall be considered to be a portion of an adjoining room where not less than one-half of the area of the common wall is open and unobstructed and provides an opening of not less than one-tenth of the floor area of the interior room and not less than 2.3 m² (25 square feet).

Exception: Openings required for light or *ventilation* shall be permitted to open into a sunroom with thermal isolation or a patio cover, provided that there is an openable area between the adjoining room and the sunroom or patio cover of not less than one-tenth of the floor area of the interior room and not less than 2 m² (20 square feet). The minimum openable area to the outdoors shall be based on the total floor area being ventilated.

R303.3 Bathrooms. Bathrooms, water closet compartments and other similar rooms shall be provided with aggregate glazing area in windows of not less than 0.5 m² (5.4 square feet), seventy five percent (75%) of which shall be openable.

Exception: The glazed areas shall not be required where artificial light and a local exhaust system are provided. The minimum local exhaust rates shall be determined in accordance with Section M1505. Exhaust air from the space shall be exhausted directly to the outdoors.

R303.4 Mechanical ventilation. Where the air infiltration

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rate of a *dwelling unit* is 5 air changes per hour or less where tested with a blower door at a pressure of 50 Pa (0.2 inch w.c) in accordance with Section N1102.4.1.2, the *dwelling unit* shall be provided with whole-house mechanical ventilation in accordance with Section M1505.4.

R303.5 Opening location. Outdoor intake and exhaust openings shall be located in accordance with Sections R303.5.1 and R303.5.2.

R303.5.1 Intake openings. Mechanical and gravity outdoor air intake openings shall be located not less than 3,050 mm (10 feet) from any hazardous or noxious contami-

nant, such as vents, chimneys, plumbing vents, streets, alleys, parking lots and loading docks.

For the purpose of this section, the exhaust from *dwelling* unit toilet rooms, bathrooms and kitchens shall not be considered as hazardous or noxious.

Exceptions:

1. The 3,050 mm (10-foot) separation is not required where the intake opening is located 915 mm (3 feet) or greater below the contaminant source.
2. Vents and chimneys serving fuel-burning appliances shall be terminated in accordance with the applicable provisions of Chapters 18 and 24.
3. Clothes dryer exhaust ducts shall be terminated in accordance with Section M1502.3.

R303.5.2 Exhaust openings. Exhaust air shall not be directed onto walkways nor into adjacent premises.

R303.6 Outside opening protection. Air exhaust and intake openings that terminate outdoors shall be protected with corrosion-resistant screens, louvers or grilles having an opening size of not less than 6.35 mm ($\frac{1}{4}$ inch) and a maximum opening size of 12.5 mm ($\frac{1}{2}$ inch), in any dimension. Openings shall be protected against local weather conditions. Outdoor air exhaust and intake openings shall meet the provisions for *exterior wall* opening protectives in accordance with this code.

R303.7 Interior stairway illumination. Interior stairways shall be provided with an artificial light source to illuminate the landings and treads. The light source shall be capable of illuminating treads and landings to levels of not less than 11 lux (1 foot-candle) as measured at the center of treads and landings. There shall be a wall switch at each floor level to control the light source where the stairway has six or more risers.

Exception: A switch is not required where remote, central or automatic control of lighting is provided.

R303.8 Exterior stairway illumination. Exterior stairways shall be provided with an artificial light source located at the top landing of the stairway. Exterior stairways providing access to a *basement* from the outdoor *grade* level shall be provided with an artificial light source located at the bottom landing of the stairway.

R303.9 Required glazed openings. Required glazed openings shall open directly onto a street or public alley, or a *yard* or court located on the same *lot* as the building.

Exceptions:

1. Required glazed openings that face into a roofed porch where the porch abuts a street, *yard* or court and the longer side of the porch is not less than 65 percent unobstructed and the ceiling height is not less than 2,150 mm (7 feet).
2. Eave projections shall not be considered as obstructing the clear open space of a *yard* or court.
3. Required glazed openings that face into the area

under a deck, balcony, bay or floor cantilever where

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a clear vertical space not less than 915 mm (36 inches) in height is provided.

R303.9.1 Sunroom additions. Required glazed openings shall be permitted to open into sunroom *additions* or patio covers that abut a street, *yard* or court if in excess of 40 percent of the exterior sunroom walls are open, or are enclosed only by insect screening, and the ceiling height of the sunroom is not less than 2,150 mm (7 feet).

R303.10 Required heating. Where the winter design temperature in Table R301.2(1) is below 16°C (60°F), every *dwelling unit* shall be provided with heating facilities capable of maintaining a room temperature of not less than 20°C (68°F) at a point 915 mm (3 feet) above the floor and 610 mm (2 feet) from exterior walls in habitable rooms at the design temperature. The installation of one or more portable space heaters shall not be used to achieve compliance with this section.

SECTION R304 MINIMUM ROOM AREAS AND DIMENSIONS

R304.1 Minimum area. Habitable rooms shall have a floor area of not less than 7 m² (75 square feet). Every dwelling unit shall have at least one habitable room (living or sleeping room), with a minimum floor area of 11.5 m² (124 ft²) of gross floor area.

Exception: Kitchens shall have gross floor areas not less than 5 m² (54 ft²).

The minimum gross floor area for some non-habitable rooms shall be as follows:

1. Bathroom - not less than 3 m² (32 ft²) for the first and not less than 2 m² (22 ft²) for the second or more than two bathrooms;
2. Shower - not less than 1.5 m² (16 ft²);
3. Toilet or Water Closet - not less than 1 m² (11 ft²);
4. Water Closet for handicapped persons - not less than 3 m² (32 ft²).

R304.2 Minimum dimensions. Habitable rooms shall be not less than 2,500 mm (8 feet) in any horizontal dimension. Figure R304.2 shows some possible configurations of the minimum room dimensions.

The minimum dimensions for non-habitable rooms shall be as follows:

- a) Bathroom - 1.4 m (4.6 ft.) wide;
- b) Shower - 0.9 m (3.0 ft.) wide;
- c) Toilet (WC) - 0.75 m (2.5 ft.) wide and 1.25 m (4.0 ft.) long;
- d) Corridor - 1.0 m (3.28 ft.) wide; and
- e) Stair - 1.0 m (3.28 ft.) wide.

Exception: Kitchens may have minimum horizontal dimensions as low as 1.8 m in any direction.

R304.3 Height effect on room area. Portions of a room with a sloping ceiling measuring less than 1,525 mm (5 feet) or a furred ceiling measuring less than 2,150 mm (7 feet) from the finished floor to the finished ceiling shall not be considered as contributing to the minimum required habitable area for that room.

FIGURE 304.2
POSSIBLE CONFIGURATIONS OF MINIMUM ROOM SIZES AND DIMENSIONS

SECTION R305 CEILING HEIGHT

R305.1 Minimum height. The minimum ceiling height of *habitable space*, hallways and portions of *basements* containing these spaces which do not have sloping ceiling shall be as follows:

- a) 2,750 mm (9 feet) where natural ventilation is to be relied on and;
- b) 2,450 mm (8 feet) where mechanical ventilation is provided.

Bathrooms, toilet rooms and laundry rooms shall have a ceiling height of not less than 2,300 mm (7 feet 6 inches).

Exceptions:

For rooms with sloped ceilings, the required floor area of the room shall have a ceiling height of not less than 2,150 mm (7 feet) measured vertically from finished

floor level to the point of lowest acceptable ceiling height. Figure R305.4 shows how the measurement should be made. Not less than 80 percent of the required floor area shall have this ceiling height of 2,150 mm (7 feet).

The ceiling height above bathroom and toilet room fixtures shall be such that the fixture is capable of being used for its intended purpose. A shower or tub equipped with a showerhead shall have a ceiling height of not less than 2,050 mm (6 feet 8 inches) above an area of not less than 760 mm (30 inches) by 760 mm (30 inches) at the showerhead.

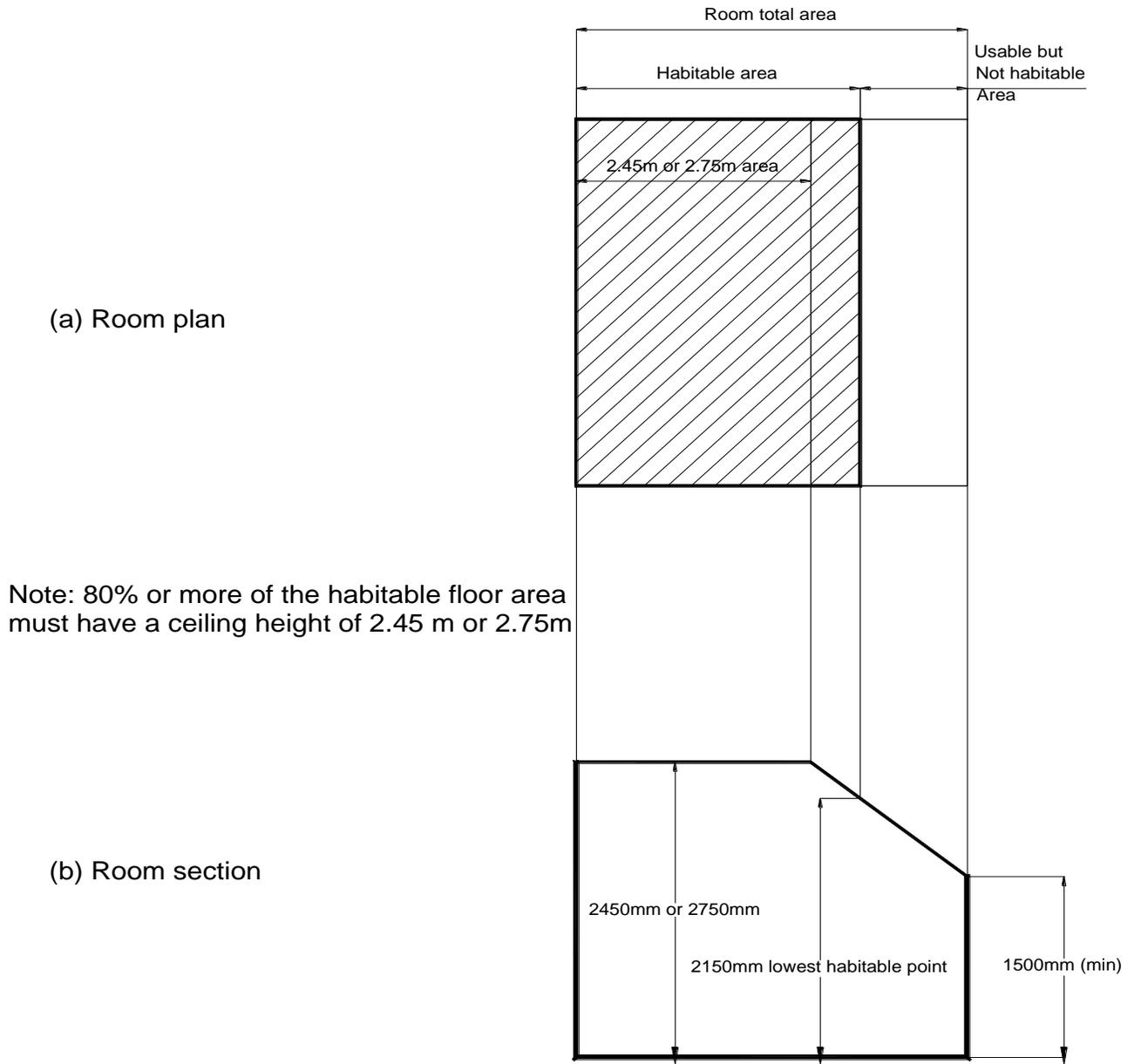


FIGURE R305.1
DETERMINATION OF HABITABLE ROOM AREA WHERE ROOM HAS SLOPING CEILING

3. Beams, girders, ducts or other obstructions in *basements* containing *habitable space* shall be permitted to project to within 2,150 mm (7 feet) above the finished floor.

R305.1.1 Basements. Portions of *basements* that do not contain *habitable space* or hallways shall have a ceiling height of not less than 2,150 mm (7 feet).

Exception: At beams, girders, ducts or other obstructions, the ceiling height shall be not less than 2,050 mm (6 feet 8 inches) from the finished floor.

SECTION R306 SANITATION

R306.1 Toilet facilities. Every *dwelling* unit shall be provided with a water closet (toilet), lavatory (basin), and a bathtub or shower. The access door to the toilet shall not open directly into the kitchen or dining area.

R306.2 Kitchen. Each *dwelling* unit shall be provided with a kitchen area and every kitchen area shall be provided with a sink.

R306.3 Sewage disposal. Plumbing fixtures shall be connected so their waste drain into the public sanitary sewer or into an *approved* private sewage disposal system. The design and construction of any private sewage disposal system to be used shall be in accordance with Chapter 27A of this code.

R306.4 Water supply to fixtures. Plumbing fixtures shall be connected to an *approved* water supply system. Kitchen sinks, lavatories, bathtubs, showers, bidets, laundry tubs and washing machine outlets shall be provided with hot and cold water supplies. Hot water supply shall be generated on the building utilizing it and may be produced from electric, gas, oil or solar heaters. The wastewater from lavatories (basins) may be connected to a grey water disposal system and be used for on-premises irrigation or the flushing of water closets (toilets).

SECTION R307 TOILET, BATH AND SHOWER SPACES

R307.1 Space required. Fixtures shall be spaced in accordance with Figure R307.1, and in accordance with the requirements of Section P2705.1.

R307.2 Bathtub and shower spaces. Bathtub and shower floors and walls around and above bathtubs with installed shower heads and in shower compartments shall be finished with a smooth, hard and nonabsorbent surface such as tiles. Such wall surfaces shall extend to a height of not less than 1,830 mm (6 feet) above the floor.

SECTION R308 GLAZING

R308.1 Identification. Except as indicated in Section R308.1.1 each pane of glazing installed in hazardous locations as defined in Section R308.4 shall be provided with a manufacturer's designation specifying who applied the designation, the type of glass and the safety glazing standard with which it

complies, and that is visible in the final installation. The designation shall be acid etched, sandblasted, ceramic-fired, laser etched, embossed, or be of a type that once applied cannot be removed without being destroyed. A *label* shall be permitted in lieu of the manufacturer's designation.

Exceptions:

1. For other than tempered glass, manufacturer's designations are not required provided that the *building*

official approves the use of a certificate, affidavit or other evidence confirming compliance with this code.

2. Tempered spandrel glass is permitted to be identified by the manufacturer with a removable paper designation.

R308.1.1 Identification of multiple assemblies. Multi-pane assemblies having individual panes not exceeding 0.09 m² (1 square foot) in exposed area shall have not less than one pane in the assembly identified in accordance with Section R308.1. Other panes in the assembly shall be *labelled* “CPSC 16 CFR 1201” or “ANSI Z97.1” as appropriate.

R308.2 Louvered windows or jalousies. Regular, float, wired or patterned glass in jalousies and louvered windows shall be not less than nominal 5 mm (³/₁₆ inch) thick and not more than 1,220 mm (48 inches) in length. Exposed glass edges shall be smooth.

R308.2.1 Wired glass prohibited. Wired glass with wire exposed on longitudinal edges shall not be used in jalousies or louvered windows.

R308.3 Human impact loads. Individual glazed areas, including glass mirrors in hazardous locations such as those indicated as defined in Section R308.4, shall pass the test requirements of Section R308.3.1.

Exceptions:

1. Louvered windows and jalousies shall comply with Section R308.2.
2. Mirrors and other glass panels mounted or hung on a surface that provides a continuous backing support.
3. Glass unit masonry complying with Section R607.

R308.3.1 Impact test. Where required by other sections of the code, glazing shall be tested in accordance with CPSC 16 CFR 1201. Glazing shall comply with the test criteria for Category II unless otherwise indicated in Table R308.3.1(1).

Exception: Glazing not in doors or enclosures for hot tubs, whirlpools, saunas, steam rooms, bathtubs and showers shall be permitted to be tested in accordance with ANSI Z97.1. Glazing shall comply with the test criteria for Class A unless otherwise indicated in Table R308.3.1(2).

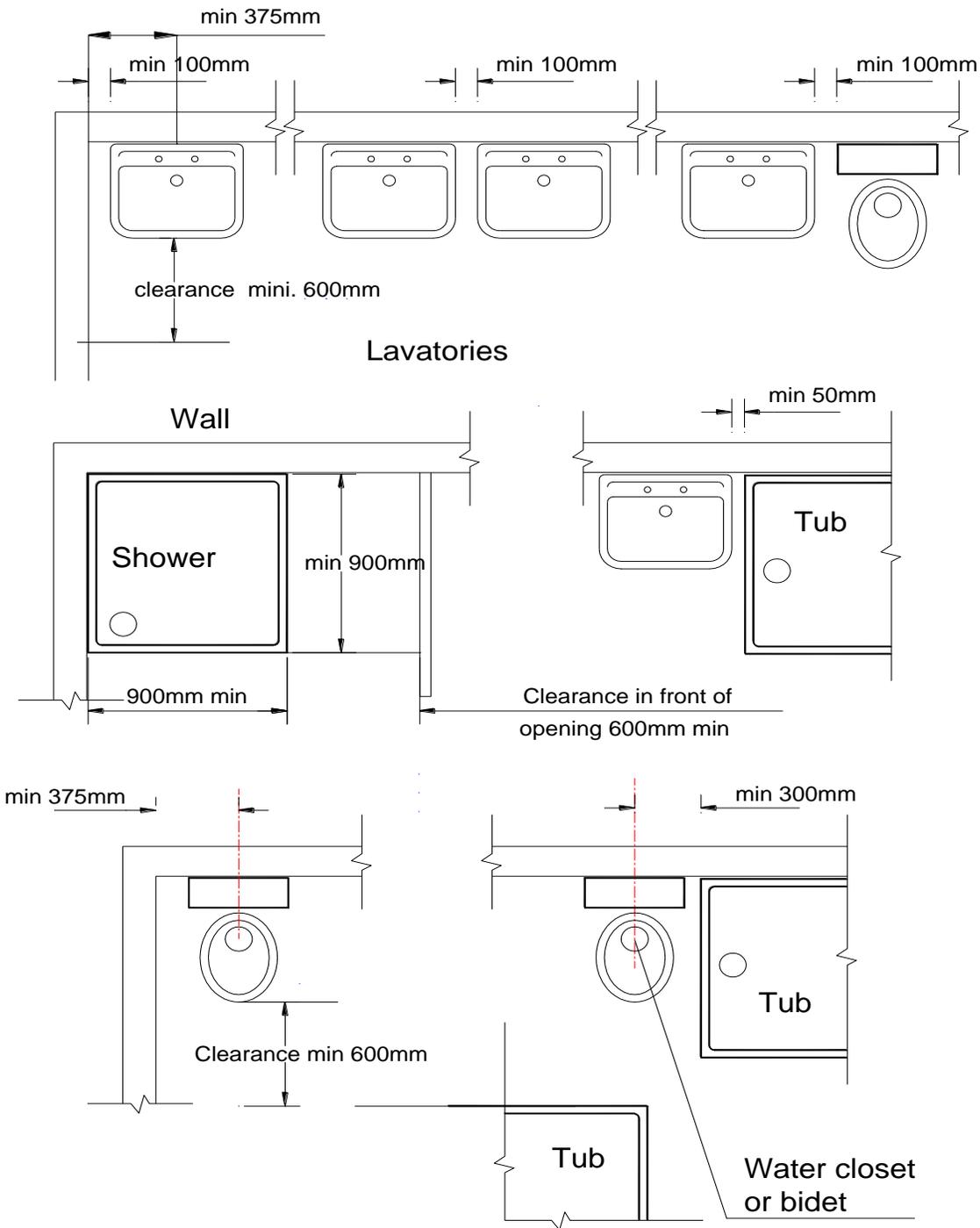
R308.4 Hazardous locations. The locations specified in Sections R308.4.1 through R308.4.7 shall be considered to be specific hazardous locations for the purposes of glazing.

R308.4.1 Glazing in doors. Glazing in fixed and operable panels of swinging, sliding and bifold doors shall be considered to be a hazardous location.

Exceptions:

1. Glazed openings of a size through which a 76 mm (3-inch)-diameter sphere is unable to pass.
2. Decorative glazing.

R308.4.2 Glazing adjacent to doors. Glazing in an individual fixed or operable panel adjacent to a door shall be



For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch.

FIGURE R307.1
MINIMUM SPACE REQUIREMENTS FOR WATER CLOSET (TOILET), LAVATORY (BASIN), BATH AND SHOWER (FIXTURES FOR THE HANDICAPPED EXCLUDED)

considered to be a hazardous location where the bottom exposed edge of the glazing is less than 1,525 mm (60 inches) above the floor or walking surface and it meets either of the following conditions:

- i) Where the glazing is within 610 mm (24 inches) of either side of the door in the plane of the door in a closed position.
- ii) Where the glazing is on a wall less than 180 degrees (3.14 rad) from the plane of the door in a closed

position and within 610 mm (24 inches) of the hinge side of an in-swinging door.

Exceptions:

1. Decorative glazing.
2. Where there is an intervening wall or other permanent barrier between the door and the glazing.
3. Where access through the door is to a closet or storage area 915 mm (3 feet) or less in depth.

TABLE R308.3.1(1)
MINIMUM CATEGORY CLASSIFICATION OF GLAZING USING CPSC 16 CFR 1201

EXPOSED SURFACE AREA OF ONE SIDE OF ONE LITE (m ²)	GLAZING IN STORM OR COMBINATION DOORS (Category Class)	GLAZING IN DOORS (Category Class)	GLAZED PANELS REGULATED BY SECTION R308.4.3 (Category Class)	GLAZED PANELS REGULATED BY SECTION R308.4.2 (Category Class)	GLAZING IN DOORS AND ENCLOSURES REGULATED BY SECTION 308.4.5 (Category Class)	SLIDING GLASS DOORS PATIO TYPE (Category Class)
0.836 m ² or less	I	I	NR	I	II	II
More than 0.836 m ²	II	II	II	II	II	II

For Inch Pound Units: 1 m² = 10.764 square feet. NR = No Requirement.

TABLE R308.3.1(2)
MINIMUM CATEGORY CLASSIFICATION OF GLAZING USING ANSI Z97.1

EXPOSED SURFACE AREA OF ONE SIDE OF ONE LITE (m ²)	GLAZED PANELS REGULATED BY SECTION R308.4.3 (Category Class)	GLAZED PANELS REGULATED BY SECTION R308.4.2 (Category Class)	DOORS AND ENCLOSURES REGULATED BY SECTION R308.4.5 ^a (Category Class)
0.836 m ² or less	No requirement	B	A
More than 0.836 m ²	A	A	A

For Inch Pound Units: 1 m² = 10.764 square feet.

1. Use is permitted only by the exception to Section R308.3.1.

Glazing in this application shall comply with Section R308.4.3.

4. Glazing that is adjacent to the fixed panel of patio doors.

R308.4.3 Glazing in windows. Glazing in an individual fixed or operable panel that meets all of the following conditions shall be considered to be a hazardous location:

1. The exposed area of an individual pane is larger than 0.836 m² (9 square feet).
2. The bottom edge of the glazing is less than 455 mm (18 inches) above the floor.
3. The top edge of the glazing is more than 915 mm (36 inches) above the floor.
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and nonstructural in-fill panels, regardless of area or
height above a walking surface shall be considered to be a
hazardous location.

R308.4.4.1 Structural glass baluster panels. Guards
with structural glass baluster panels shall be installed
with an attached top rail or handrail. The top rail or
handrail shall be supported by not less than three glass
baluster panels, or shall be otherwise supported to
remain in place should one glass baluster panel fail.

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Exception: An attached top rail or handrail is not
required where the glass baluster panels are lami-
nated glass with two or more glass plies of equal
thickness and of the same glass type.

R308.4.5 Glazing and wet surfaces. Glazing in walls,
enclosures or fences containing or facing hot tubs, spas,
whirlpools, saunas, steam rooms, bathtubs, showers and
indoor or outdoor swimming pools where the bottom
exposed edge of the glazing is less than 1,525 mm (60
inches) measured vertically above any standing or
walking surface shall be considered to be a hazardous
location. This shall apply to single glazing and each pane
in multiple glazing.

Exception: Glazing that is more than 1,525 mm (60
inches), measured horizontally and in a straight line,
from the water's edge of a bathtub, hot tub, spa,
whirlpool or swimming pool or from the edge of a
shower, sauna or steam room.

R308.4.6 Glazing adjacent to stairs and ramps. Glaz-
ing where the bottom exposed edge of the glazing is less
than 915 mm (36 inches) above the plane of the adjacent

walking surface of stairways, landings between flights of stairs and ramps shall be considered to be a hazardous location.

Exceptions:

1. Where glazing is adjacent to a walking surface and a horizontal rail is installed at 865 to 965 mm (34 to 38 inches) above the walking surface. The rail shall be capable of withstanding a horizontal load of 730 N/m (50 pounds per linear foot) without contacting the glass and have a cross-sectional height of not less than 38 mm (1½ inches).
2. Glazing 915 mm (36 inches) mm or more measured horizontally from the walking surface.

R308.4.7 Glazing adjacent to the bottom stair landing. Glazing adjacent to the landing at the bottom of a stairway where the glazing is less than 915 mm (36 inches) above the landing and within a 1,525 mm (60-inch) horizontal arc less than 180 degrees (3.14 rad) from the bottom tread nosing shall be considered to be a hazardous location. (See Figure R308.4.7.)

Exception: Where the glazing is protected by a *guard* complying with Section R312 and the plane of the glass is more than 455 mm (18 inches) from the *guard*.

R308.5 Site-built windows. Site-built windows shall comply with Section 2404 of the *Jamaica Building Code*.

R308.6 Skylights and sloped glazing. Skylights and sloped glazing shall comply with the following sections.

R308.6.1 Definitions. The following terms are defined in Chapter 2:

SKYLIGHT, UNIT.

SKYLIGHTS AND SLOPED GLAZING.

TUBULAR DAYLIGHTING DEVICE (TDD).

R308.6.2 Materials. Glazing materials shall be limited to the following:

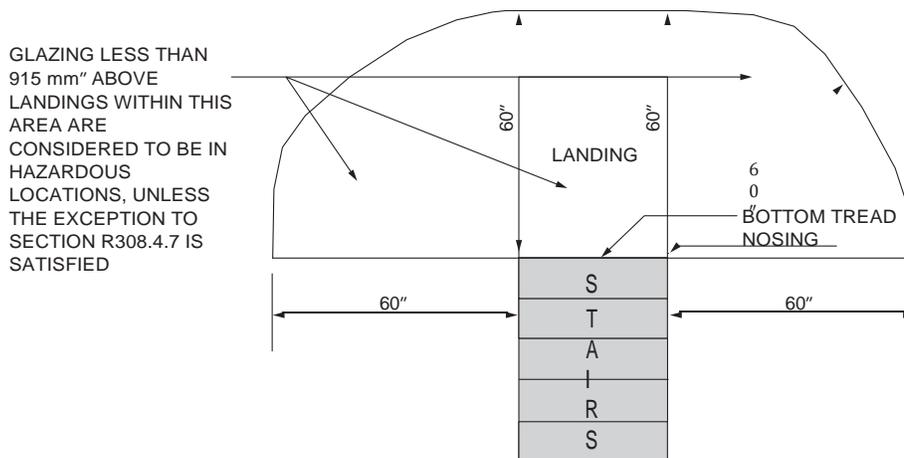
1. Laminated glass with not less than a 0.38 mm (0.015-inch) polyvinyl butyral interlayer for glass panes 1.5 m² (16 square feet) or less in area located such that the highest point of the glass is not more than 3,660 (12 feet) above a walking surface; for higher or larger sizes, the interlayer thickness shall be not less than 0.76 mm (0.030 inch).
2. Fully tempered glass.
3. Heat-strengthened glass.
4. Wired glass.
5. *Approved* rigid plastics.

R308.6.3 Screens, general. For fully tempered or heat-strengthened glass, a retaining screen meeting the requirements of Section R308.6.7 shall be installed below the glass, except for fully tempered glass that meets either condition listed in Section R308.6.5.

R308.6.4 Screens with multiple glazing. Where the inboard pane is fully tempered, heat-strengthened or wired glass, a retaining screen meeting the requirements of Section R308.6.7 shall be installed below the glass, except for either condition listed in Section R308.6.5. Other panes in the multiple glazing shall be of any type listed in Section R308.6.2.

R308.6.5 Screens not required. Screens shall not be required where fully tempered glass is used as single glazing or the inboard pane in multiple glazing and either of the following conditions are met:

1. The glass area is 1.5 m² (16 square feet) or less; the highest point of glass is not more than 3,660 mm (12 feet) above a walking surface; the nominal glass thickness is not more than 4.8 mm (3/16 inch); and (for multiple glazing only) the other pane or panes are fully tempered, laminated or wired glass.
2. The glass area is greater than 1.5 m² (16 square feet); the glass is sloped 30 degrees (0.52 rad) or less from vertical; and the highest point of glass is not



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FIGURE R308.4.7
HAZARDOUS GLAZING LOCATIONS AT BOTTOM STAIR LANDINGS



more than 3,050 mm (10 feet) above a walking surface.

R308.6.6 Glass in greenhouses. Any glazing material is permitted to be installed without screening in the sloped areas of greenhouses, provided that the greenhouse height at the ridge does not exceed 6,100 mm (20 feet) above *grade*.

R308.6.7 Screen characteristics. The screen and its fastenings shall be capable of supporting twice the weight of the glazing, be firmly and substantially fastened to the framing members, and have a mesh opening of not more than 25 mm by 25 mm (1 inch by 1 inch).

R308.6.8 Curbs for skylights. Unit skylights installed in a roof with a pitch of less than three units vertical in 12 units horizontal (25-percent slope) shall be mounted on a curb extending not less than 100 mm (4 inches) above the plane of the roof, unless otherwise specified in the manufacturer's installation instructions.

R308.6.9 Testing and labeling. Unit skylights and tubular daylighting devices shall be tested by a BSJ *approved* independent laboratory, and bear a *label* identifying manufacturer, performance grade rating and *approved* inspection agency to indicate compliance with the requirements of AAMA/WDMA/CSA 101/I.S.2/A440.

R308.6.9.1 Comparative analysis for glass-glazed unit skylights. Structural wind load design pressures for glass-glazed unit skylights different than the size tested in accordance with Section R308.6.9 shall be permitted to be different than the design value of the tested unit where determined in accordance with one of the following comparative analysis methods:

1. Structural wind load design pressures for glass-glazed unit skylights smaller than the size tested in accordance with Section R308.6.9 shall be permitted to be higher than the design value of the tested unit provided that such higher pressures are determined by accepted engineering analysis. Components of the smaller unit shall be the same as those of the tested unit. Such calculated design pressures shall be validated by an additional test of the glass-glazed unit skylight having the highest allowable design pressure.
2. In accordance with WDMA I.S. 11.

SECTION R309 GARAGES AND CARPORTS

R309.1 Floor surface. Garage floor surfaces shall be of noncombustible material that does not emit gas or oil or react chemically with oil, gas or grease dropped from vehicles. Floors constructed from concrete tiles, terrazzo tiles and poured-in-place concrete shall be permitted.

The area of floor used for parking of automobiles or other vehicles shall be sloped to facilitate the movement of liquids dropped from vehicles to a drain or toward the main vehicle entry doorway.

R309.2 Carports. Carports shall be open on not less than two sides. Carport floor surfaces shall be

of *approved* noncombustible material. Carports not open on two or more sides

shall be considered to be a garage and shall comply with the provisions of this section for garages.

The area of floor used for parking of automobiles or other vehicles shall be sloped to facilitate the movement of liquids to a drain or toward the main vehicle entry doorway.

Exception: Asphalt surfaces shall be permitted at ground level in carports.

R309.3 Flood hazard areas. For buildings located in flood hazard areas as established by Table R301.2(1), garage floors shall be one of the following:

1. Elevated to or above the design flood elevation as determined in accordance with Section R322.
2. Located below the design flood elevation provided that the floors are at or above *grade* on not less than one side, are used solely for parking, building access or storage, meet the requirements of Section R322 and are otherwise constructed in accordance with this code.

R309.4 Automatic garage door openers. Automatic garage door openers, if provided, shall be *listed* and *labelled* in accordance with UL 325.

R309.5 Fire sprinklers. Private garages shall be protected by fire sprinklers where the garage wall has been designed based on Table R302.1(2), Note a. Sprinklers in garages shall be connected to an automatic sprinkler system that complies with Section P2904. Garage sprinklers shall be residential sprinklers or quick-response sprinklers, designed to provide a density of 0.03399 L/s/m² (0.05 gpm/ft²). Garage doors shall not be considered obstructions with respect to sprinkler placement.

SECTION R310

EMERGENCY ESCAPE AND RESCUE OPENINGS

R310.1 Emergency escape and rescue opening required.

Basements, habitable attics and every sleeping room shall have not less than one operable emergency escape and rescue opening which does not include the entrance/exit door. Where *basements* contain one or more sleeping rooms, an emergency escape and rescue opening shall be required in each sleeping room. Emergency escape and rescue openings shall open directly into the outside public way, or open land/*yard* or court that opens to a public way. The locking device for an emergency exit shall meet the requirements of Section R310.1.1.

Exceptions:

1. Storm shelters and *basements* used only to house mechanical *equipment* not exceeding a total floor area of 18 .6 m² (200 square feet).
2. Where the *dwelling* or *townhouse* is equipped with an automatic sprinkler system installed in accordance with Section P2904, sleeping rooms in *basements* shall not be required to have

emergency escape and rescue openings provided that the *base- ment* has one of the following:

1. One means of egress complying with Section R311 and one emergency escape and rescue opening.

2. Two means of egress complying with Section R311.

R310.1.1 Operational constraints and opening control devices. Emergency escape and rescue openings shall be operational from the inside of the room without the use of keys, tools or special knowledge. Window opening control devices on windows serving as a required emergency escape and rescue opening shall comply with ASTM F2090.

R310.2 Emergency escape and rescue openings. Emergency escape and rescue openings shall have minimum dimensions as specified in this section.

R310.2.1 Minimum opening area. Emergency escape and rescue openings shall have a net clear opening of not less than 0.530 m² (5.7 square feet). The net clear opening dimensions required by this section shall be obtained by the normal operation of the emergency escape and rescue opening from the inside. The net clear height of the opening shall be not less than 610 mm (24 inches) and the net clear width shall be not less than 510 mm (20 inches).

Exception: *Grade* floor openings or *below-grade* openings shall have a net clear opening area of not less than 0.5 m² (5 square feet).

R310.2.2 Window sill height. Where a window is provided as the emergency escape and rescue opening, it shall have a sill height of not more than 1,120 mm (44 inches) above the floor; where the sill height is below *grade*, it shall be provided with a window well in accordance with Section R310.2.3.

R310.2.3 Window wells. The horizontal area of the window well shall be not less than 0.9 m² (9 square feet), with a horizontal projection and width of not less than 915 mm (36 inches). The area of the window well shall allow the emergency escape and rescue opening to be fully opened.

Exception: The ladder or steps required by Section R310.2.3.1 shall be permitted to encroach not more than 150 mm (6 inches) into the required dimensions of the window well.

R310.2.3.1 Ladder and steps. Window wells with a vertical depth greater than 1,120 mm (44 inches) shall be equipped with a permanently affixed ladder or steps usable with the window in the fully open position. Ladders or steps required by this section shall not be required to comply with Section R311.7. Ladders or rungs shall have an inside width of not less than 305 mm (12 inches), shall project not less than 76 mm (3 inches) from the wall and shall be spaced not more than 455 mm (18 inches) on center vertically for the full height of the window well.

R310.2.3.2 Drainage. Window wells shall be designed for proper drainage by connecting to the building's foundation drainage system required by Section R405.1 or by an approved alternative method.

Exception: A drainage system for window wells is not required where the foundation is on well-drained soil or sand-gravel mixture soils in accordance with

the United Soil Classification System, Group I Soils, as detailed in Table R405.1.

R310.2.4 Emergency escape and rescue openings under decks and porches. Emergency escape and rescue openings installed under decks and porches shall be fully open- able and provide a path not less than 915 mm (36 inches) in height to a *yard* or court.

R310.2.5 Replacement windows. Replacement windows installed in buildings meeting the scope of this code shall be exempt from the maximum sill height requirements of Section R310.2.2 and the requirements of Section R310.2.1, provided that the replacement window meets the following conditions:

1. The replacement window is the manufacturer's largest standard size window that will fit within the existing frame or existing rough opening. The replacement window is of the same operating style as the existing window or a style that provides for an equal or greater window opening area than the existing window.
2. The replacement window is not part of a change of occupancy.

R310.3 Emergency escape and rescue doors. Where a door is provided as the required emergency escape and rescue opening, it shall be a side-hinged door or a slider. Where the opening is below the adjacent grade, it shall be provided with an area well.

R310.3.1 Minimum door opening size. The minimum net clear height opening for any door that serves as an emergency and escape rescue opening shall be in accordance with Section R310.2.1.

R310.3.2 Area wells. Area wells shall have a width of not less than 915 mm (36 inches). The area well shall be sized to allow the emergency escape and rescue door to be fully opened.

R310.3.2.1 Ladder and steps. Area wells with a vertical depth greater than 1,120 mm (44 inches) shall be equipped with a permanently affixed ladder or steps usable with the door in the fully open position. Ladders or steps required by this section shall not be required to comply with Section R311.7. Ladders or rungs shall have an inside width of not less than 305 mm (12 inches), shall project not less than 76 mm (3 inches) from the wall and shall be spaced not more than 455 mm (18 inches) on center vertically for the full height of the exterior stairwell.

R310.3.2.2 Drainage. Area wells shall be designed for proper drainage by connecting to the building's foundation drainage system required by Section R405.1 or by an *approved* alternative method.

Exception: A drainage system for area wells is not required where the foundation is on well-drained soil or sand-gravel mixture soils in accordance with the United Soil Classification System, Group I Soils, as detailed in Table R405.1.

R310.4 Bars, grilles, covers and screens. Where bars, grilles, covers, screens or similar devices are placed over emergency escape and rescue openings, area wells, or window wells, the minimum net clear opening size shall comply with Sections R310.2.1 through R310.2.3, and such devices shall be releasable or removable from the inside without the use of a key, tool, special knowledge or force greater than that required for the normal operation of the escape and rescue opening.

R310.5 Dwelling additions. Where *dwelling additions* contain sleeping rooms, an emergency escape and rescue opening shall be provided in each new sleeping room. Where *dwelling additions* have *basements*, an emergency escape and rescue opening shall be provided in the new *basement*.

Exceptions:

1. An emergency escape and rescue opening is not required in a new *basement* that contains a sleeping room with an emergency escape and rescue opening.
2. An emergency escape and rescue opening is not required in a new *basement* where there is an emergency escape and rescue opening in an existing *basement* that is *accessed* from the new *basement*.

R310.6 Alterations or repairs of existing basements. An emergency escape and rescue opening is not required where existing *basements* undergo alterations or repairs.

Exception: New sleeping rooms created in an existing *basement* shall be provided with emergency escape and rescue openings in accordance with Section R310.1.

SECTION R311 MEANS OF EGRESS

R311.1 Means of egress. All *dwelling*s shall be provided with a means of egress in accordance with this section. The means of egress provided shall be a continuous and unobstructed path of vertical and horizontal travel from all portions of the *dwelling* to the required egress door without requiring travel through a garage or carport. The required egress door shall open directly into a public way or to the open land/*yard* or a court that opens to a public way. A secondary egress travel through a garage or carport shall be permitted.

311.1.1 Means of egress for non-residential buildings.

All non-residential small buildings of 300 m² and less designed under this code shall be provided with at least two means of egress each of which can fully support the occupancy escape load and are continuous and unobstructed paths of vertical and horizontal egress travel from all portions of the building to the required egress doors. The egress doors shall open unto a public way or to the open land/*yard* on which the building is situated.

R311.2 Egress door. Not less than one egress door shall be provided for each *dwelling* unit. The egress door shall be side-hinged, and shall provide a clear width of not less than 815 mm (32 inches) where measured between the face of the door and the stop, with the door open 90 degrees (1.57 rad). The clear height of the door

opening shall be not less than 1,980 mm (78 inches) measured from the top of the threshold to the bottom of the stop. Other doors shall not be required to comply with these minimum dimensions. Egress doors shall be readily openable from inside the *dwelling* without the use of a key or special knowledge or effort.

R311.3 Floors and landings at exterior doors.

There shall be a landing or floor on each side of each exterior door. The width of each landing shall be not less than the door served. Landings shall have a dimension of not less than 915 mm (36 inches) measured in the direction of travel. The slope at

exterior landings shall not exceed $\frac{1}{4}$ unit vertical in 12 units horizontal (2 percent).

Exception: Exterior balconies less than 5.5 m² (60 square feet) and only *accessed* from a door are permitted to have a landing that is less than 915 mm (36 inches) measured in the direction of travel.

R311.3.1 Floor elevations at the required egress doors. Landings or finished floors on the outside of egress doors shall be not more than 38 mm ($1\frac{1}{2}$ inches) lower than the top of the threshold or inside floor level if there is no threshold.

Exception: The landing or floor on the exterior side shall be not more than 150 mm (6 inches) below the top of the threshold or inside floor level if there is no threshold provided that the door does not swing over the landing or floor.

Where exterior landings or floors serving the required egress door are not at *grade*, they shall be provided with access to *grade* by means of a ramp in accordance with Section R311.8 or a stairway in accordance with Section R311.7.

R311.3.2 Floor elevations at other exterior doors. Doors other than the required egress door shall be provided with landings or floors not more than 150 mm (6 inches) below the top of the threshold or inside floor level if there is no threshold.

Exception: A top landing is not required where a stairway of not more than two risers is located on the exterior side of the door, provided that the door does not swing over the stairway.

R311.3.3 Storm and screen doors. Storm and screen doors shall be permitted to swing over exterior stairs and landings.

R311.4 Vertical egress. Egress from habitable levels including habitable attics and *basements* that are not provided with an egress door in accordance with Section R311.2 shall be by a ramp in accordance with Section R311.8 or a stairway in accordance with Section R311.7.

R311.5 Landing, deck, balcony and stair construction and attachment. Exterior landings, decks, balconies, stairs and similar facilities shall be positively anchored to the primary structure to resist both vertical and lateral forces or shall be designed to be self-supporting. Attachment shall not be accomplished by use of toenails or nails subject to withdrawal.

R311.6 Hallways. The width of a hallway shall be not less than 1,000 mm (3 feet 4 inches) while the minimum width of the access door to the hallway shall be 900 mm (3 feet).

R311.7 Stairways. Stairways shall be used to create accessibility between grade level and building floors as well as between floors. Stairways shall be constructed to minimize usage restrictions and operated without obstruction to free passage. Stairways shall be constructed to prevent more than 12 risers between floors and landings as well as between landing and landing. Figure R311.7 shows some of the popular stairway configurations and their layout details between floors. Stairways shall be constructed to prevent more than 12 risers between floors and landings as well as between landing and landing.

R311.7.1 Width. Stairways shall be not less than 915 mm (36 inches) in clear width at all points above and below the permitted handrail to the headroom height. Handrails shall not project more than 100 mm (4 inches) on either side of the stairway. The overall width of a stairway with handrail on one side shall be 1,000 mm (3 feet 4 inches) while the overall width of stairways with handrails on both sides shall be 1,100 mm (3 feet 8 inches). Figure R311.7.1 shows layout details to satisfy the width requirements for stairways.

Exception: The width of spiral stairways shall be in accordance with Section R311.7.10.1.

R311.7.2 Headroom. The headroom in stairways shall be not less than 2,050 mm (6 feet 8 inches) measured vertically from the sloped line adjoining the tread nosing or from the floor surface of the landing or platform on that portion of the stairway.

Exceptions:

1. Where the nosings of treads at the side of a flight extend under the edge of a floor opening through which the stair passes, the floor opening shall not project horizontally into the required headroom more than 120 mm ($4\frac{3}{4}$ inches).
2. The headroom for spiral stairways shall be in accordance with Section R311.7.10.1.

R311.7.3 Vertical rise. A flight of stairs shall not have a vertical rise larger than 3,840 mm (151 inches) between floor levels.

R311.7.4 Walkline. The walkline across winder treads and landings shall be concentric to the turn and parallel to the direction of travel entering and exiting the turn. The walkline shall be located 305 mm (12 inches) from the inside of the turn. The 305 mm (12-inch) dimension shall be measured from the widest point of the clear stair width at the walking surface. Where winders are adjacent within a flight, the point of the widest clear stair width of the adjacent winders shall be used.

R311.7.5 Stair treads and risers. Stair treads and risers shall meet the requirements of this section. For the purposes of this section, dimensions and dimensioned surfaces shall be exclusive of carpets, rugs or runners.

R311.7.5.1 Risers. The riser height shall be not more than 150 mm (6 inches). The riser shall be measured vertically between leading edges of consecutive treads. The greatest riser height within any flight of stairs shall not exceed the smallest by more than 9.5 mm ($\frac{3}{8}$ inch). Risers shall be vertical or sloped from the underside of the nosing of the tread above at an angle not more than 30 degrees (0.51 rad) from the vertical. At open risers, openings located more than 760 mm (30 inches), as measured vertically, to the floor or grade below shall not permit the passage of a 100 mm (4-inch)-diameter sphere.

Exceptions:

1. The opening between adjacent treads is not limited on spiral stairways.
2. The riser height of spiral stairways shall be in accordance with Section R311.7.10.1.

R311.7.5.2 Treads. The tread depth shall be not less than 255 mm (10 inches). The tread depth shall be measured horizontally between the vertical planes of the foremost projection of adjacent treads and at a right angle to the tread's leading edge. The greatest tread depth within any flight of stairs shall not exceed the smallest by more than 9.5 mm ($\frac{3}{8}$ inch).

R311.7.5.2.1 Winder treads. Winder treads shall have a tread depth of not less than 255 mm (10 inches) measured between the vertical planes of the

foremost projection of adjacent treads at the intersections with the walkline. Winder treads shall have a tread depth of not less than 150 mm (6 inches) at any point within the clear width of the stair. Within any flight of stairs, the largest winder tread depth at the walkline shall not exceed the smallest winder tread by more than 9.5 mm ($\frac{3}{8}$ inch). Consistently shaped winders at the walkline shall be allowed within the same flight of stairs as rectangular treads and shall not be required to be within 9.5 mm ($\frac{3}{8}$ inch) of the rectangular tread depth.

Exception: The tread depth at spiral stairways shall be in accordance with Section R311.7.10.1.

R311.7.5.3 Nosings. Nosings at treads, landings and floors of stairways shall have a radius of curvature at the nosing not greater than 14 mm ($\frac{9}{16}$ inch) or a bevel not greater than 12.5 mm ($\frac{1}{2}$ inch). A nosing projection not less than 19 mm ($\frac{3}{4}$ inch) and not more than 32 mm (1 $\frac{1}{4}$ inches) shall be provided on stairways. The greatest nosing projection shall not exceed the smallest nosing projection by more than 9.5 mm ($\frac{3}{8}$ inch) within a stairway.

Exception: A nosing projection is not required where the tread depth is not less than 280 mm (11 inches).

R311.7.5.4 Exterior plastic composite stair treads. Plastic composite exterior stair treads shall comply with the provisions of this section and Section R507.2.2.

R311.7.6 Landings for stairways. There shall be a floor or landing at the top and bottom of each stairway. In between floors, stairway landings shall be spaced so that their vertical distances between floors and landings as well as between landing and landing are equal. In addition to providing landings at the top and bottom of stairways they shall be provided at the following locations:

- i. Where a stairway changes direction; and
- ii. At a maximum interval of 12 risers along the stairway.

The width of a landing perpendicular to the direction of travel shall be not less than the width of the stairway served. For landings of shapes other than square or rectangular, the depth at the walk line and the total area shall be not less than that of a quarter circle with a radius equal to the required landing width. Where the stairway has a straight run and no door swings over it, the depth in the direction of travel shall be not less than 915 mm (36 inches). Where a door swings over a stairway, the landing shall be at least 1,525 mm (5 feet) long in the direction of travel through the door. Figure R311.7 shows some popular configurations of landings through the door.

Exception: A floor or landing is not required if:

1. At the top of an interior flight of stairs, including stairs in an enclosed garage, a door does not swing over the stairs.
2. The stairway terminates onto a floor.

R311.7.7 Stairway walking surface. The walking surface of treads and landings of stairways shall be sloped not steeper than one unit vertical in 48 units horizontal (2-per-

cent slope).

R311.7.8 Handrails. Handrails shall be provided on not less than one side of each flight of stairs with three or more risers. Where a stairway has no restraint such as a wall on either sides, handrails shall be provided on both sides. Figure R311.7.1 shows layout details to satisfy the width requirements for handrails.

R311.7.8.1 Height. Handrail height, measured vertically from the sloped plane adjoining the tread nosing, or finish surface of ramp slope, shall be not less than 865 mm (34 inches) and not more than 965 mm (38 inches).

Exceptions:

1. The use of a volute, turnout or starting easing shall be allowed over the lowest tread.

2. Where handrail fittings or bends are used to provide continuous transition between flights, transitions at winder treads, the transition from handrail to *guard*, or used at the start of a flight, the handrail height at the fittings or bends shall be permitted to exceed 965 mm (38 inches).

recess shall be not less than 32 mm (1¹/₄ inches) and not more than 70 mm (2³/₄ inches).

R311.7.8.2 Handrail projection. Handrails shall not project more than 114 mm (4¹/₂ inches) on either side of the stairway.

Exception: Where nosings of landings, floors or passing flights project into the stairway reducing the clearance at passing handrails, handrails shall project not more than 160 mm (6 inches) into the stairway, provided that the stair width and handrail clearance are not reduced to less than that required.

R311.7.8.3 Handrail clearance. Handrails adjacent to a wall shall have a space of not less than 38 mm (1¹/₂ inches) between the wall and the handrails.

R311.7.8.4 Continuity. Handrails shall be continuous for the full length of the flight, from a point directly above the top riser of the flight to a point directly above the lowest riser of the flight. Handrail ends shall be returned or shall terminate in newel posts or safety terminals.

Exceptions:

1. Handrail continuity shall be permitted to be interrupted by a newel post at a turn in a flight with winders, at a landing, or over the lowest tread.
2. A volute, turnout or starting easing shall be allowed to terminate over the lowest tread.

R311.7.8.5 Grip size. Required handrails shall be of one of the following types or provide equivalent with the same graspability.

1. Type I. Handrails with a circular cross section shall have an outside diameter of not less than 32 mm (1¹/₄ inches) and not greater than 51 mm (2 inches). If the handrail is not circular, it shall have a perimeter of not less than 100 mm (4 inches) and not greater than 160 mm (6¹/₄ inches) and a cross section of not more than 57 mm (2¹/₄ inches). Edges shall have a radius of not less than 0.25 mm (0.01 inch).
 2. Type II. Handrails with a perimeter greater than 160 mm (6¹/₄ inches) shall have a graspable finger recess area on both sides of the profile. The finger recess shall begin within 19 mm (3³/₄ inch) measured vertically from the tallest portion of the profile and have a depth of not less than 8 mm (5⁵/₁₆ inch) within 22 mm (7⁷/₈ inch) below the widest portion of the profile. This required depth shall continue for not less than 9.5 mm (3³/₈ inch) to a level that is not less than 44 mm (1³/₄ inches) below the tallest portion of the profile. The width of the handrail above the

Inches). Edges shall have a radius of not less than 0.25 mm (0.01 inch).

R311.7.8.6 Exterior plastic composite handrails.

Plastic composite exterior handrails shall comply with the requirements of Section R507.2.2.

R311.7.9 Illumination. Stairways shall be provided with illumination in accordance with Sections R303.7 and R303.8.

R311.7.10 Special stairways. Spiral stairways and bulkhead enclosure stairways shall comply with the requirements of Section R311.7 except as specified in Sections R311.7.10.1 and R311.7.10.2.

R311.7.10.1 Spiral stairways. Spiral stairways shall be fabricated from mild steel and have a clear width at and below the handrails of not less than 660 mm (26 inches) with the walkline radius not greater than 622 mm (24¹/₂ inches). Each tread shall have a depth of not less than 170 mm (6³/₄ inches) at the walkline. Treads shall be identical, and the rise shall be not more than 150 mm (6 inches). Headroom shall be not less than 1,980 mm (6 feet 6 inches).

R311.7.10.2 Bulkhead enclosure stairways. Stairways serving bulkhead enclosures, not part of the required building egress, providing access from the outside *grade* level to the *basement* shall be exempt from the requirements of Sections R311.3 and R311.7 where the height from the *basement* finished floor level to *grade* adjacent to the stairway is not more than 2,450 mm (8 feet) and the *grade* level opening to the stairway is covered by a bulkhead enclosure with hinged doors or other *approved* means.

R311.7.11 Alternating tread devices. Alternating tread devices shall not be used as an element of a means of egress. Alternating tread devices shall be permitted provided that a required means of egress stairway or ramp serves the same space at each adjoining level or where a means of egress is not required. The clear width at and below the handrails shall be not less than 510 mm (20 inches).

Exception: Alternating tread devices are allowed to be used as an element of a means of egress for lofts, mezzanines and similar areas of 18.6 m² gross (200 gross square feet) or less where such devices do not provide exclusive access to a kitchen or bathroom.

R311.7.11.1 Treads of alternating tread devices. Alternating tread devices shall have a tread depth of not less than 125 mm (5 inches), a projected tread depth of not less than 217 (8¹/₂ inches), a tread width of not less than 180 mm (7 inches) and a riser height of not more than 242 mm (9¹/₂ inches). The tread depth shall be measured horizontally between the vertical planes of the foremost projections of adjacent treads. The riser height shall be measured vertically between the leading edges of adjacent treads. The riser height and tread depth provided shall result in an angle of ascent from the horizontal of between 50 and 70 degrees (0.87 and 1.2 rad). The initial tread of the device shall begin at the same elevation as the platform, landing or floor surface.

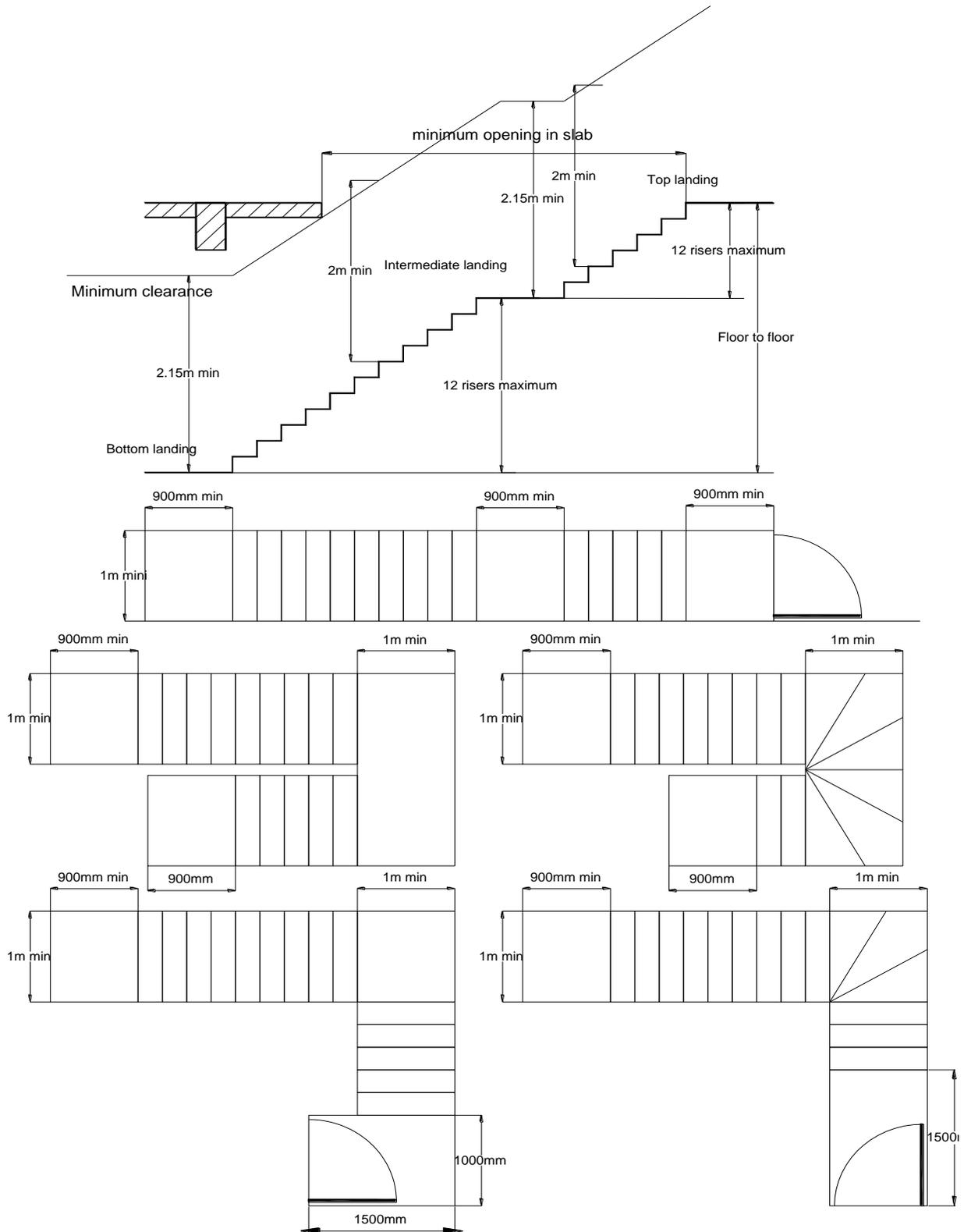
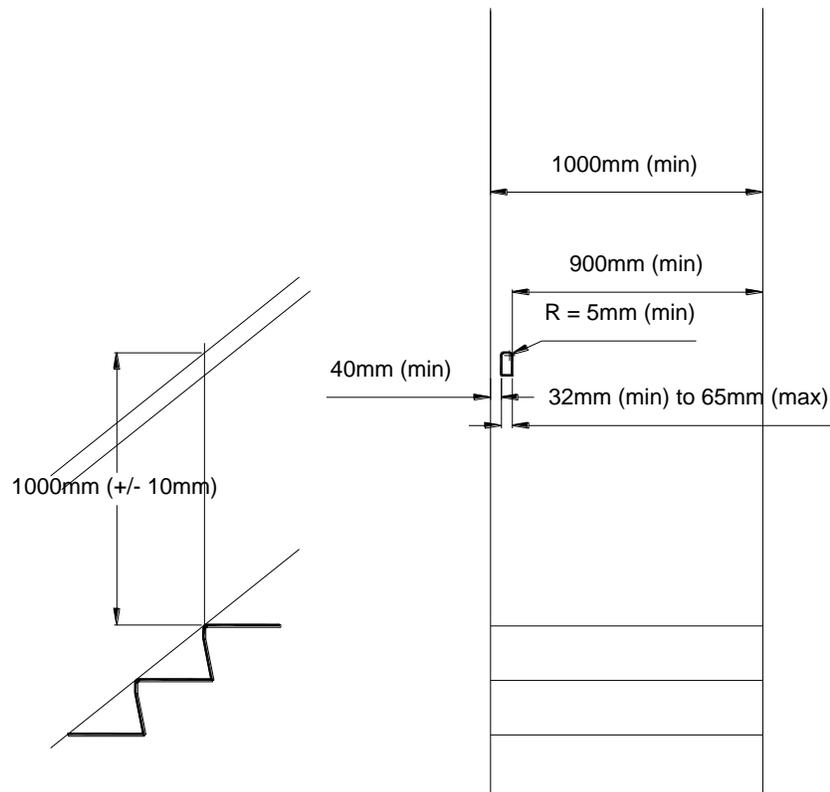
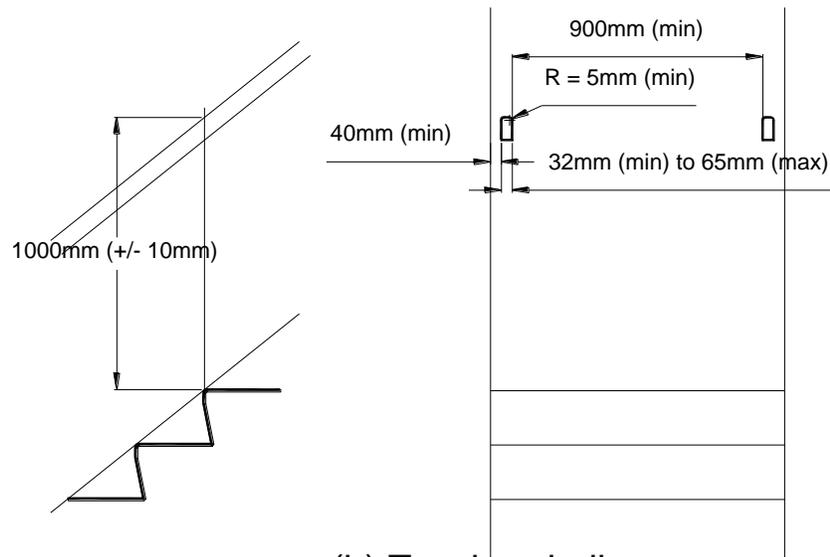


FIGURE R311.7
CONFIGURATIONS OF STAIRS AND LANDINGS

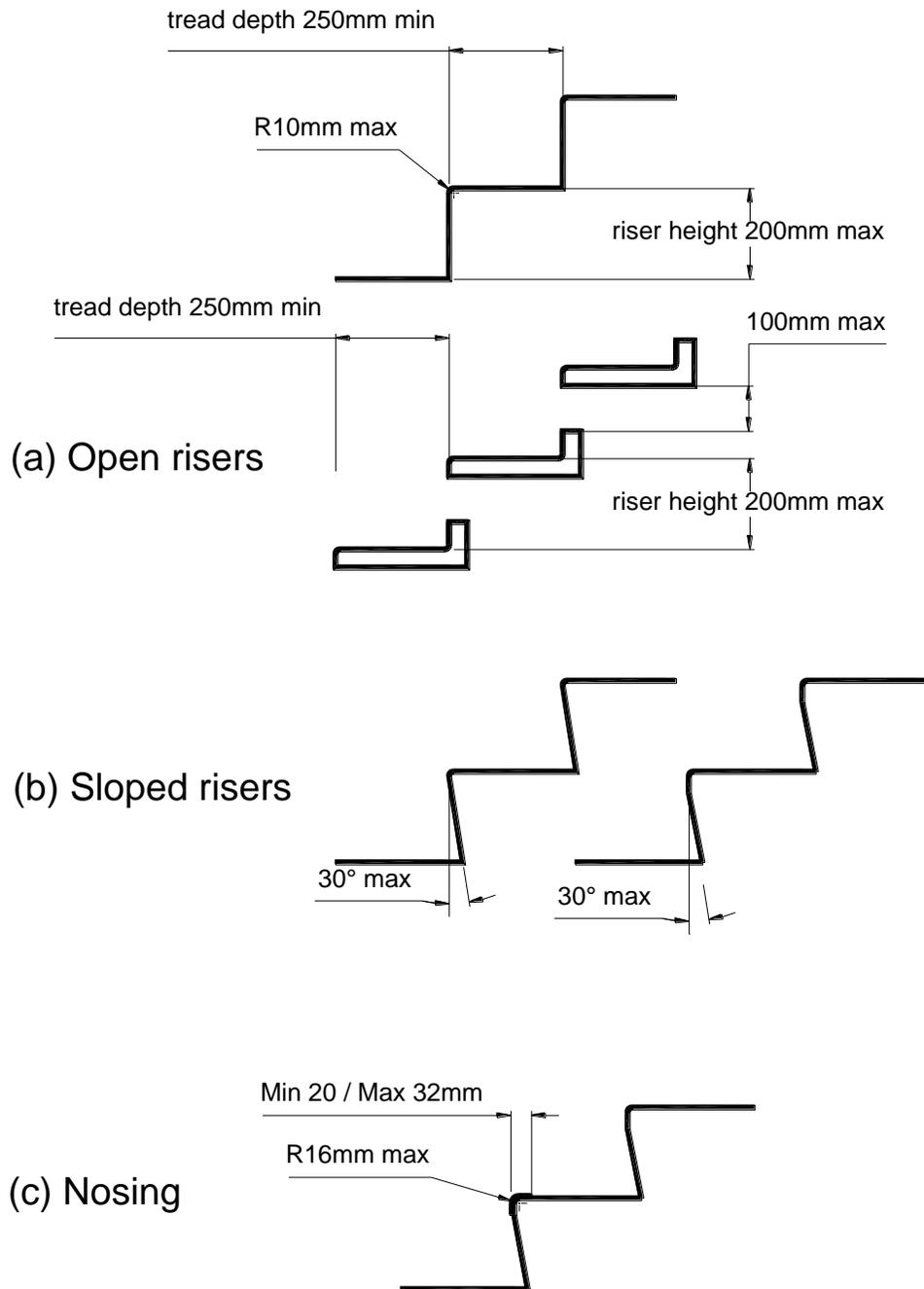


(a) One handrail



(b) Two handrails

**FIGURE R311.7.1
HANDRAILS MOUNTING DETAILS**



**FIGURE R311.7.4
DETAILS OF TREADS, RISERS, AND NOSINGS**

R311.7.11.2 Handrails of alternating tread devices. Handrails shall be provided on both sides of alternating tread devices and shall comply with Sections R311.7.8.2 to R311.7.8.6. Handrail height shall be uniform, not less than 760 mm (30 inches) and not more than 865 mm (34 inches).

R311.7.12 Ship's ladders. Ship's ladders shall not be used as an element of a means of egress. Ship's ladders shall be permitted provided that a required means of egress stairway or ramp serves the same space at each adjoining level or where a means of egress is not required. The clear width at and below the handrails shall be not less than 510 mm (20 inches).

Exception: Ship's ladders are allowed to be used as an element of a means of egress for lofts, mezzanines and similar areas of 18.6 m² gross (200 gross square feet) or less that do not provide exclusive access to a kitchen or bathroom.

R311.7.12.1 Treads of ship's ladders. Treads shall have a depth of not less than 125 mm (5 inches). The tread shall be projected such that the total of the tread depth plus the nosing projection is not less than 217 mm (8½ inches). The riser height shall be not more than 242 mm (9½ inches).

R311.7.12.2 Handrails of ship's ladders. Handrails shall be provided on both sides of ship's ladders and shall comply with Sections R311.7.8.2 to R311.7.8.6. Handrail height shall be uniform, not less than 760 mm (30 inches) and not more than 865 mm (34 inches).

R311.8 Ramps. Ramps are used mainly for the physically challenged to painlessly access buildings. The ground floors of houses and small buildings shall be constructed with the required ramps. The walking surface of ramps and their landings shall have non-skid surface.

R311.8.1 Maximum slope. Ramps serving the egress door required by Section R311.2 shall have a slope of not more than 1 unit vertical in 12 units horizontal (8.3-percent slope). Other ramps shall have a maximum slope of 1 unit vertical in 8 units horizontal (12.5 percent).

Exception: Where it is technically infeasible to comply because of site constraints, ramps shall have a slope of not more than 1 unit vertical in 8 units horizontal (12.5 percent).

R311.8.2 Landings required. There shall be a floor or landing at the top and bottom of each ramp. Landings are also required where doors open onto ramps, and where ramps change directions. The minimum width of landings perpendicular to the ramp slope shall be 1,000 mm (3 feet 4 inches) and the length in the direction of travel shall be 1,000 mm by (3 feet 4 inches). Where a door opens unto a ramp, the landing shall be at least 1,525 mm (5 feet) long in the direction of travel through the door. Figure R311.8.2 illustrates different types of ramps with landings.

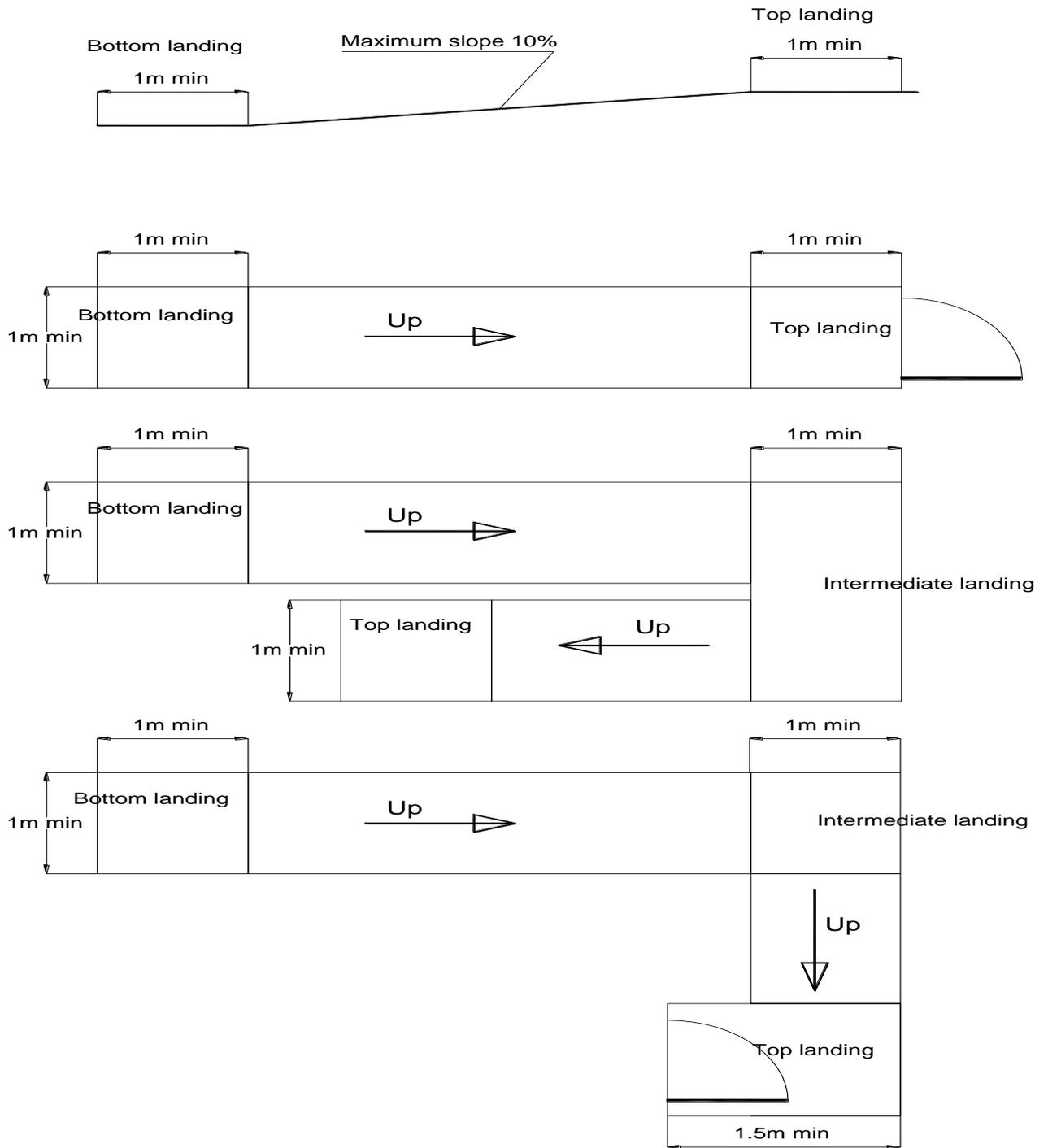
R311.8.3 Handrails required. Handrails shall be provided on not less than one side of ramps exceeding a slope of one unit vertical in 12 units horizontal (8.33-percent slope).

R311.8.3.1 Height. Handrail height, measured above the finished surface of the ramp slope, shall be not less than 865 mm (34

inches) and not more than 965 mm (38 inches).

R311.8.3.2 Grip size. Handrails on ramps shall comply with Section R311.7.8.5.

R311.8.3.3 Continuity. Handrails where required on ramps shall be continuous for the full length of the



**FIGURE R311.8.2
RAMPS AND LANDINGS CONFIGURATIONS**

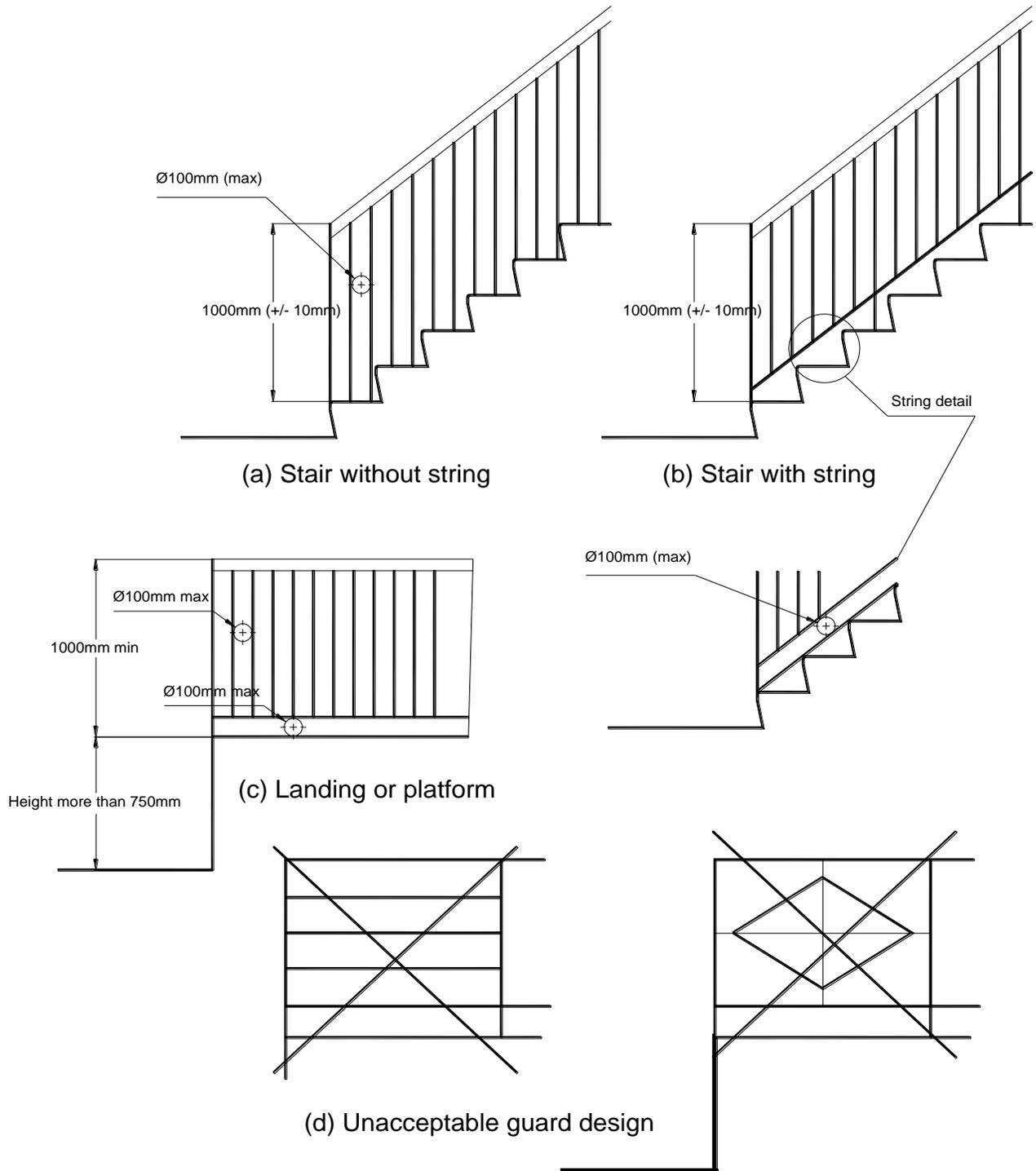


FIGURE R312.1
DETAILS OF ACCEPTABLE AND UNACCEPTABLE GUARDS

ramp. Handrail ends shall be returned or shall terminate in newel posts or safety terminals. Handrails adjacent to a wall shall have a space of not less than 38 mm (1½ inches) between the wall and the handrails.

2. Guards on the open side of stairs shall not have openings that allow passage of a sphere 112 mm (4¾ inches) in diameter.

R312.1.4 Exterior plastic composite guards.

**SECTION R312
GUARDS AND WINDOW FALL PROTECTION**

R312.1 Guards. *Guards* shall be provided in accordance with Sections R312.1.1 through R312.1.4.

R312.1.1 Where required. *Guards* shall be provided for those portions of open-sided walking surfaces to prevent persons falling over elevated surfaces. Guards shall be provided at the following locations:

Open sides of stairs, ramps and landings.

2. Porches, balconies, decks or other raised floor surfaces

All the above locations requiring guards shall be 760 mm (30 inches) or more, measured vertically to the floor or *grade* below at any point within 915 mm (36 inches) horizontally to the edge of the open side.

Insect screen enclosing porches, balconies and decks shall not be considered as a *guard*.

R312.1.2 Height. Required *guards* at open-sided walking surfaces, including stairs, porches, balconies, ramps or landings, shall be not less than 915 mm (36 inches) in height as measured vertically above the adjacent walking or grade below **R312.1.4 Exterior plastic composite guards.** Plastic composite exterior *guards* shall comply with the requirements of Section R317.4.

R312.2 Window fall protection. Window fall protection shall be provided in accordance with Sections R312.2.1 and R312.2.2.

the line connecting the nosings.

Exceptions:

1. Guards on the open sides of stairs shall have a height of not less than 865 mm (34 inches) measured vertically from a line connecting the nosings.
2. Where the top of the guard serves as a handrail on the open sides of stairs, the top of the guard shall be not less than 865 mm (34 inches) and not more than 965 mm (38 inches) as measured vertically from a line connecting the nosings.

R312.1.3 Opening limitations. Required guards shall not have openings from the walking surface to the required guard height that allow passage of a sphere 100 mm (4 inches) in diameter.

Exceptions:

1. The triangular openings at the open side of stair, formed by the riser, tread and bottom rail of a guard, shall not allow passage of a sphere 150 mm (6 inches) in diameter.

R312.2.1 Window sills. In dwelling units, where the top of the sill of an operable window opening is located less than 610 mm (24 inches) above the finished floor and greater than 1,830 mm (72 inches) above the finished *grade* or other surface below on the exterior of the building, the operable window shall comply with one of the following:

1. Operable window openings will not allow a 100 mm (4-inch)- diameter sphere to pass through where the openings are in their largest opened position.
2. Operable windows are provided with window fall prevention devices that comply with ASTM F2090.
3. Operable windows are provided with window opening control devices that comply with Section R312.2.2.

R312.2.2 Window opening control devices. Window opening control devices shall comply with ASTM F2090. The window opening control device, after operation to release the control device allowing the window to fully open, shall not reduce the net clear opening area of the window unit to less than the area required by Section R310.2.1.

SECTION R313

AUTOMATIC FIRE SPRINKLER SYSTEMS

R313.1 Townhouse automatic fire sprinkler systems. An automatic residential fire sprinkler system shall be installed in *townhouses*.

Exception: An automatic residential fire sprinkler system shall not be required where:

1. *Additions* or *alterations* are made to existing *townhouses* that do not have an automatic residential fire sprinkler system installed.
2. A townhouse that is fully compliant with Section R314 of this code, equipped with heat detection and alarm in the kitchen and the constituent parts of the building have the specified fire rating of this code.

R313.1.1 Design and installation. Automatic residential fire sprinkler systems for *townhouses* shall be designed and installed in accordance with Section P2904 or NFPA 13D.

R313.2 One- and two-family dwellings automatic fire sprinkler systems. An automatic residential fire sprinkler system shall be installed in one- and two-family *dwellings*.

Exception: An automatic residential fire sprinkler system shall not be required for:

Additions or alterations to existing buildings that are not already provided with an automatic residential sprinkler system.b. A one- or two-family dwelling that is fully compliant with Section R314 of this code, equipped with heat detection and alarm in the kitchen and the constituent parts of the building have the specified fire rating of this code.

313.2.1 Design and installation. Automatic residential fire sprinkler systems shall be designed and installed in accordance with Section P2904 or NFPA 13D.

R313.3 Water supply for automatic sprinkler system. To ensure that adequate water supply at satisfactory pressure will always be available to operate the automatic sprinkler system of townhouse or one- or two-family dwelling owner(s) who choose to install the automatic sprinkler system they shall provide an auxiliary water supply to that of the water utility. The auxiliary supply may be one or more of the following:

1. Well water from a private well for which National Water Authority approval has been obtained
2. Harvested, stored and algae free rain water from roof and/or storm drain.
3. Air humidity condensation system.

Whichever source is utilized adequate storage facility for at least one (1) hour operation of the sprinkler system shall be provided. The auxiliary water supply system need not be potable but shall be so connected to the sprinkler system that there is no possibility of water feeding back into the dwelling potable utility supply system.

SECTION R314 SMOKE ALARMS

R314.1 General. Smoke alarms shall comply with NFPA 72 and Section R314.

R314.1.1 Listings. Smoke alarms shall be *listed* in accordance with UL 217. Combination smoke and carbon monoxide alarms shall be *listed* in accordance with UL 217 and UL 2034.

R314.2 Where required. Smoke alarms shall be provided in accordance with this section.

R314.2.1 New construction. Smoke alarms shall be provided in *dwelling units*.

R314.2.2 Alterations, repairs and additions. Where *alterations, repairs or additions* requiring a permit occur, the individual *dwelling unit* shall be equipped with smoke alarms located as required for new *dwelling*s.

Exceptions:

1. Work involving the exterior surfaces of *dwelling*s, such as the replacement of roofing or siding, the *addition* or replacement of windows or doors, or the addition of a porch or deck.
2. Installation, alteration or repairs of plumbing or mechanical systems.

R314.3 Location. Smoke alarms shall be installed in the following locations:

1. In each sleeping room.
2. Outside each separate sleeping area in the immediate vicinity of the bedrooms.
3. On each additional *story* of the *dwelling*, including *basements* and *habitable attics* and not including crawl spaces and uninhabitable *attics*. In *dwelling*s or *dwelling units* with split levels and without an intervening door between the adjacent levels, a smoke alarm installed on the upper level shall suffice for the adjacent lower level provided that the lower level is less than one full *story* below the upper level.
4. Smoke alarms shall be installed not less than 915 mm (3 feet) horizontally from the door or opening of a bathroom that contains a bathtub or shower unless this would prevent placement of a smoke alarm required by this section.

R314.3.1 Installation near cooking appliances. Smoke alarms shall not be installed in the following locations unless this would prevent placement of a smoke alarm in a location required by Section R314.3.

1. Ionization smoke alarms shall not be installed less than 6,100 mm (20 feet) horizontally from a permanently installed cooking *appliance*.
2. Ionization smoke alarms with an alarm-silencing switch shall not be installed less than 3,050 mm (10 feet) horizontally from a permanently installed cooking *appliance*.
3. Photoelectric smoke alarms shall not be installed less than 1,830 mm (6 feet) horizontally from a permanently installed cooking *appliance*.

R314.4 Interconnection. Where more than one smoke alarm is required to be installed within an individual dwelling unit in accordance with Section R314.3, the alarm devices shall be interconnected in such a manner that the actuation of one alarm will activate all of the alarms in the individual *dwelling unit*. Physical interconnection of smoke alarms shall not be required where listed wireless alarms are installed and all alarms sound upon activation of one alarm.

R314.5 Combination alarms. Combination smoke and car-

Carbon monoxide alarms shall be permitted to be used in lieu of smoke alarms.

siding,

R314.6 Power source. Smoke alarms shall receive their primary power from the building wiring where such wiring is served from a commercial source and, where primary power is interrupted, shall receive power from a battery. Wiring shall be permanent and without a disconnecting switch other than those required for overcurrent protection.

Exceptions:

1. Smoke alarms shall be permitted to be battery operated where installed in buildings without commercial power.
2. Smoke alarms installed in accordance with Section R314.2.2 shall be permitted to be battery powered.

R314.7 Fire alarm systems. Fire alarm systems shall be permitted to be used in lieu of smoke alarms and shall comply with Sections R314.7.1 through R314.7.4.

R314.7.1 General. Fire alarm systems shall comply with the provisions of this code and the household fire warning *equipment* provisions of NFPA 72. Smoke detectors shall be *listed* in accordance with UL 268.

R314.7.2 Location. Smoke detectors shall be installed in the locations specified in Section R314.3.

R314.7.3 Permanent fixture. Where a household fire alarm system is installed, it shall become a permanent fixture of the occupancy, owned by the homeowner.

R314.7.4 Combination detectors. Combination smoke and carbon monoxide detectors shall be permitted to be installed in fire alarm systems in lieu of smoke detectors, provided that they are *listed* in accordance with UL 268 and UL 2075.

**SECTION R315
CARBON MONOXIDE ALARMS**

R315.1 General. Carbon monoxide alarms shall comply with Section R315.

R315.1.1 Listings. Carbon monoxide alarms shall be *listed* in accordance with UL 2034. Combination carbon monoxide and smoke alarms shall be *listed* in accordance with UL 2034 and UL 217.

R315.2 Where required. Carbon monoxide alarms shall be provided in accordance with Sections R315.2.1 and R315.2.2.

R315.2.1 New construction. For new construction, carbon monoxide alarms shall be provided in dwelling units where either or both of the following conditions exist.

1. The *dwelling unit* contains a fuel-fired *appliance*.
2. The *dwelling unit* has an attached garage with an opening that communicates with the dwelling unit.

R315.2.2 Alterations, repairs and additions. Where *alterations*, *repairs* or *additions* requiring a permit occur, the individual *dwelling unit* shall be equipped with carbon monoxide alarms located as required for new *dwellings*.

Exceptions:

1. Work involving the exterior surfaces of *dwellings*, such as the replacement of roofing or

or the addition or replacement of windows or doors, or the addition of a porch or deck.

2. Installation, alteration or repairs of plumbing or mechanical systems.

R315.3 Location. Carbon monoxide alarms in *dwelling units* shall be installed outside of each separate sleeping area in the immediate vicinity of the bedrooms. Where a fuel-burning *appliance* is located within a bedroom or its attached bathroom, a carbon monoxide alarm shall be installed within the bedroom.

R315.4 Combination alarms. Combination carbon monoxide and smoke alarms shall be permitted to be used in lieu of carbon monoxide alarms.

R315.5 Interconnectivity. Where more than one carbon monoxide alarm is required to be installed within an individual *dwelling unit* in accordance with Section R315.3, the alarm devices shall be interconnected in such a manner that the actuation of one alarm will activate all of the alarms in the individual *dwelling unit*. Physical interconnection of carbon monoxide alarms shall not be required where *listed* wireless alarms are installed and all alarms sound upon activation of one alarm.

Exception: Interconnection of carbon monoxide alarms in existing areas shall not be required where *alterations* or *repairs* do not result in removal of interior wall or ceiling finishes exposing the structure, unless there is an *attic*, crawl space or basement available that could provide access for interconnection without the removal of interior finishes.

R315.6 Power source. Carbon monoxide alarms shall receive their primary power from the building wiring where such wiring is served from a commercial source and, where primary power is interrupted, shall receive power from a battery. Wiring shall be permanent and without a disconnecting switch other than those required for overcurrent protection.

Exceptions:

1. Carbon monoxide alarms shall be permitted to be battery operated where installed in buildings without commercial power.
2. Carbon monoxide alarms installed in accordance with Section R315.2.2 shall be permitted to be battery powered.

R315.7 Carbon monoxide detection systems. Carbon monoxide detection systems shall be permitted to be used in lieu of carbon monoxide alarms and shall comply with Sections R315.7.1 through R315.7.4.

R315.7.1 General. Household carbon monoxide detection systems shall comply with NFPA 720.

Carbon monoxide detectors shall be *listed* in accordance with UL 2075.

R315.7.2 Location. Carbon monoxide detectors shall be installed in the locations specified in Section R315.3. These locations supersede the locations specified in NFPA 720.

R315.7.3 Permanent fixture. Where a household carbon monoxide detection system is installed, it shall become a

permanent fixture of the occupancy and owned by the homeowner.

R315.7.4 Combination detectors. Combination carbon monoxide and smoke detectors installed in carbon monoxide detection systems in lieu of carbon monoxide detectors shall be *listed* in accordance with UL 2075 and UL 268.

SECTION R316 FOAM PLASTIC

R316.1 General. The provisions of this section shall govern the materials, design, application, construction and installation of foam plastic materials.

R316.2 Labeling and identification. Packages and containers of foam plastic insulation and foam plastic insulation components delivered to the job site shall bear the *label* of an *approved agency* showing the manufacturer's name, the product listing, product identification and information sufficient to determine that the end use will comply with the requirements.

R316.3 Surface burning characteristics. Unless otherwise allowed in Section R316.5, foam plastic, or foam plastic cores used as a component in manufactured assemblies, used in building construction shall have a flame spread index of not more than 75 and shall have a smoke-developed index of not more than 450 when tested in the maximum thickness and density intended for use in accordance with ASTM E84 or UL 723. Loose-fill-type foam plastic insulation shall be tested as board stock for the flame spread index and smoke-developed index.

Exception: Foam plastic insulation more than 100 mm (4 inches) thick shall have a flame spread index of not more than 75 and a smoke-developed index of not more than 450 where tested at a thickness of not more than 100 mm (4 inches), provided that the end use is *approved* in accordance with Section R316.6 using the thickness and density intended for use.

R316.4 Thermal barrier. Unless otherwise allowed in Section R316.5, foam plastic shall be separated from the interior of a building by an *approved* thermal barrier of not less than 12.5 mm (¹/₂-inch) gypsum wallboard, 18.2 mm (²³/₃₂-inch) wood structural panel or a material that is tested in accordance with and meets the acceptance criteria of both the Temperature Transmission Fire Test and the Integrity Fire Test of NFPA 275.

R316.5 Specific requirements. The following requirements shall apply to these uses of foam plastic unless specifically *approved* in accordance with Section R316.6 or by other sections of the code or the requirements of Sections R316.2 through R316.4 have been met.

R316.5.1 Masonry or concrete construction. The thermal barrier specified in Section R316.4 is not required in a masonry or concrete wall, floor or roof where the foam plastic insulation is separated from the interior of the

building by not less than a 25 mm (1-inch) thickness of masonry or concrete.

R316.5.2 Roofing. The thermal barrier specified in Section R316.4 is not required where the foam plastic in a roof assembly or under a roof covering is installed in accordance with the code and the manufacturer's instructions and is separated from the interior of the building by tongue-and-groove wood planks or wood structural panel sheathing, in accordance with Section R803, that is not less than 12 mm (¹⁵/₃₂ inch) thick bonded with exterior glue, identified as Exposure 1 and with edges supported by blocking or tongue-and-groove joints or an equivalent material. The smoke-developed index for roof applications shall not be limited.

R316.5.3 Attics. The thermal barrier specified in Section R316.4 is not required where all of the following apply:

1. Attic access is required by Section R807.1.
2. The space is entered only for purposes of repairs or maintenance.
3. The foam plastic insulation has been tested in accordance with Section R316.6 or the foam plastic insulation is protected against ignition using one of the following ignition barrier materials:
 1. 38 mm (1¹/₂-inch)-thick mineral fiber insulation.
 2. 6.4 mm (¹/₄-inch)-thick wood structural panels.
 3. 9.5 mm (³/₈-inch) particleboard.
 4. 6.4 mm (¹/₄-inch) hardboard.
 5. 9.5 mm (³/₈-inch) gypsum board.
 6. Corrosion-resistant steel having a base metal thickness of 0.406 mm (0.016 inch).
 7. 38 mm (1¹/₂-inch)-thick cellulose insulation.
 8. 6.4 mm (¹/₄-inch) fiber-cement panel, soffit or backer board.

The ignition barrier is not required where the foam 12.5 mm plastic insulation has been tested in accordance with Section R316.6.

R316.5.4 Crawl spaces. The thermal barrier specified in Section R316.4 is not required where all of the following apply:

1. Crawl space access is required by Section R408.4.
2. Entry is made only for purposes of repairs or maintenance.
3. The foam plastic insulation has been tested in accordance with Section R316.6 or the foam plastic insulation is protected against ignition using one of the following ignition barrier materials:
 1. 38 mm (1¹/₂-inch)-thick mineral fiber insulation.
 2. 6.4 mm (¹/₄-inch)-thick wood structural panels.

- 3. 3.9.5 mm ($3/8$ -inch) particleboard.
- 4. 6.4 mm ($1/4$ -inch) hardboard.
- 5. 9.5 mm ($3/8$ -inch) gypsum board.
- 6. Corrosion-resistant steel having a base metal thickness of 0.406 mm (0.016 inch).
- 7. 6.4 mm ($1/4$ -inch) fiber-cement panel, soffit or backer board.

R316.5.5 Foam-filled exterior doors. Foam-filled exterior doors are exempt from the requirements of Sections R316.3 and R316.4.

R316.5.6 Foam-filled garage doors. Foam-filled garage doors in attached or detached garages are exempt from the requirements of Sections R316.3 and R316.4.

R316.5.7 Foam backer board. The thermal barrier specified in Section R316.4 is not required where siding backer board foam plastic insulation has a thickness of not more than 12.5 mm (0.5 inch) and a potential heat of not more than 22 720 kJ/m² (2000 Btu per square foot) when tested in accordance with NFPA 259 and it complies with one or more of the following:

1. The foam plastic insulation is separated from the interior of the building by not less than 51 mm (2 inches) of mineral fiber insulation.
2. The foam plastic insulation is installed over existing *exterior wall* finish in conjunction with re-siding.
3. The foam plastic insulation has been tested in accordance with Section R316.6.

R316.5.8 Re-siding. The thermal barrier specified in Section R316.4 is not required where the foam plastic insulation is installed over existing *exterior wall* finish in conjunction with re-siding provided that the foam plastic has a thickness of not more than 12.5 mm (0.5 inch) and a potential heat of not more than 22 720 kJ/m² (2000 Btu per square foot) when tested in accordance with NFPA 259.

R316.5.9 Interior trim. The thermal barrier specified in Section R316.4 is not required for exposed foam plastic interior trim, provided that all of the following are met:

1. The density is not less than 320 kg/m³ (20 pounds per cubic foot).
2. The thickness of the trim is not more than 12.5 mm (0.5 inch) and the width is not more than 205 mm (8 inches).
3. The interior trim shall not constitute more than 10 percent of the aggregate wall and ceiling area of any room or space.
4. The flame spread index does not exceed 75 when tested in accordance with ASTM E84 or UL 723. The smoke-developed index is not limited.

R316.5.10 Interior finish. Foam plastics used as interior finishes shall comply with Section R316.6 and shall meet

the flame spread index and smoke-developed index requirements of Sections R302.9.1 and R302.9.2.

R316.5.11 Sill plates and headers. Foam plastic be spray applied to sill plates and headers or installed in the perimeter joist space without the thermal barrier specified in Section R316.4 shall comply with all of the following:

1. The thickness of the foam plastic shall be not more than $3\frac{1}{4}$ inches (83 mm).
2. The density of the foam plastic shall be in the range of 8 to 32 kg/m³ (0.5 to 2.0 pounds per cubic foot).
3. The foam plastic shall have a flame spread index of 25 or less and an accompanying smoke-developed index of 450 or less when tested in accordance with ASTM E84 or UL 723.

R316.5.12 Sheathing. Foam plastic insulation used as sheathing shall comply with Section R316.3 and Section R316.4. Where the foam plastic sheathing is exposed to the *attic* space at a gable or kneewall, the provisions of Section R316.5.3 shall apply. Where foam plastic insulation is used as *exterior wall* sheathing on framed wall assemblies, it shall comply with Section R316.8.

R316.5.13 Floors. The thermal barrier specified in Section R316.4 is not required to be installed on the walking surface of a structural floor system that contains foam plastic insulation where the foam plastic is covered by not more than a nominal 12.5 mm ($1/2$ -inch)-thick wood structural panel or equivalent. The thermal barrier specified in Section R316.4 is required on the underside of the structural floor system that contains foam plastic insulation where the underside of the structural floor system is exposed to the interior of the building.

R316.6 Specific approval. Foam plastic not meeting the requirements of Sections R316.3 through R316.5 shall be specifically *approved* on the basis of one of the following *approved* tests: NFPA 286 with the acceptance criteria of Section R302.9.4, FM 4880, UL 1040 or UL 1715, or fire tests related to actual end-use configurations. Approval shall be based on the actual end-use configuration and shall be performed on the finished foam plastic assembly in the maximum thickness intended for use. Assemblies tested shall include seams, joints and other typical details used in the installation of the assembly and shall be tested in the manner intended for use.

R316.7 Termite damage. The use of foam plastics in areas of “very heavy” termite infestation probability shall be in accordance with Section R318.4.

R316.8 Wind resistance. Foam plastic insulation complying with ASTM C578 and ASTM C1289 and used as *exterior wall* sheathing on framed wall assemblies shall comply with SBCA FS 100 for wind pressure resistance unless installed directly over a sheathing material that is separately capable of resisting the wind load or otherwise exempted from the scope of SBCA FS 100.

**SECTION R317
PROTECTION OF WOOD AND
WOOD-BASED PRODUCTS AGAINST DECAY**

R317.1 Location required. Protection of wood and wood-based products from decay shall be provided in the following locations by the use of naturally durable wood or wood that is preservative-treated in accordance with AWPA U1.

1. Wood joists or the bottom of a wood structural floor where closer than 455 mm (18 inches) or wood girders where closer than 305 mm (12 inches) to the exposed ground in crawl spaces or unexcavated area located within the periphery of the building foundation.
2. Wood framing members that rest on concrete or masonry exterior foundation walls and are less than 205 mm (8 inches) from the exposed ground.
3. Sills and sleepers on a concrete or masonry slab that is in direct contact with the ground unless separated from such slab by an impervious moisture barrier.
4. The ends of wood girders entering exterior masonry or concrete walls having clearances of less than 12.5 mm (1/2 inch) on tops, sides and ends.
5. Wood siding, sheathing and wall framing on the exterior of a building having a clearance of less than 150 mm (6 inches) from the ground or less than 51 mm (2 inches) measured vertically from concrete steps, porch slabs, patio slabs and similar horizontal surfaces exposed to the weather.
6. Wood structural members supporting moisture-permeable floors or roofs that are exposed to the weather, such as concrete or masonry slabs, unless separated from such floors or roofs by an impervious moisture barrier.
7. Wood furring strips or other wood framing members attached directly to the interior of exterior masonry walls or concrete walls below *grade* except where an *approved* vapour retarder is applied between the wall and the furring strips or framing members.

R317.1.1 Field treatment. Field-cut ends, notches and drilled holes of preservative-treated wood shall be treated in the field in accordance with AWPA M4.

R317.1.2 Ground contact. All wood in contact with the ground, embedded in concrete in direct contact with the ground or embedded in concrete exposed to the weather that supports permanent structures intended for human occupancy shall be *approved* pressure-preservative-treated wood suitable for ground contact use, except that untreated wood used entirely below groundwater level or continuously submerged in fresh water shall not be required to be pressure-preservative treated.

R317.1.3 Geographical areas. In Jamaica (all geographical areas) experience has demonstrated a specific mandatory need for *approved* naturally durable or pressure-preservative-treated wood to be used:

1. For those portions of wood members that form the structural supports of buildings, balconies, porches or similar permanent building appurte-

nances.

2. Where wooden members are exposed to the weather without adequate protection from a roof, eave, overhang or other covering that would prevent moisture or water accumulation on the surface or at joints between members. Depending on local experience, such members typically include:
 1. Horizontal members such as girders, joists and decking.
 2. Vertical members such as posts, poles and columns.
 3. Both horizontal and vertical members.

R317.1.4 Wood columns. Wood columns shall be *approved* wood of natural decay resistance or *approved* pressure-preservative-treated wood.

Exceptions:

1. Columns exposed to the weather or in *basements* where supported by concrete piers or metal pedestals projecting 25 mm (1 inch) above a concrete floor or 150 mm (6 inches) above exposed earth and the earth is covered by an *approved* impervious moisture barrier.
2. Columns in enclosed crawl spaces or unexcavated areas located within the periphery of the building where supported by a concrete pier or metal pedestal at a height more than 205 mm (8 inches) from exposed earth and the earth is covered by an impervious moisture barrier.
3. Deck posts supported by concrete piers or metal pedestals projecting not less than 25 mm (1 inch) above a concrete floor or 150 mm (6 inches) above exposed earth.

R317.1.5 Exposed glued-laminated timbers. The portions of glued-laminated timbers that form the structural supports of a building or other structure and are exposed to weather and not properly protected by a roof, eave or similar covering shall be pressure treated with preservative, or be manufactured from naturally durable or preservative-treated wood.

R317.2 Quality mark. Lumber and plywood required to be pressure-preservative treated in accordance with Section R318.1 shall bear the quality *mark* of an inspection agency recognised or approved of by the BSJ. Such an agency shall maintain continuous supervision, testing and inspection over the quality of the approved lumber and plywood and *shall be accredited* by a body that complies with the requirements of the American Lumber Standard Committee treated wood programme and also recognised or accepted by the BSJ.

R317.2.1 Required information. The required quality *mark* on each piece of pressure-preservative-treated lumber or plywood shall contain the following information:

1. Identification of the treating plant.
2. Type of preservative.
3. The minimum preservative retention.
4. End use for which the product was treated.

5. Standard to which the product was treated.

6. Identity of the *approved* inspection agency.
7. The designation “Dry,” if applicable.

Exception: Quality *marks* on lumber less than 25 mm (1 inch) nominal thickness, or lumber less than nominal 25 mm by 125 mm (1 inch by 5 inches) or 51 mm by 100 mm (2 inches by 4 inches) or lumber 915 mm (36 inches) or less in length shall be applied by stamping the faces of exterior pieces or by end labeling not less than 25 percent of the pieces of a bundled unit.

R317.3 Fasteners and connectors in contact with preservative-treated and fire-retardant-treated wood. Fasteners, including nuts and washers, and connectors in contact with preservative-treated wood and fire-retardant-treated wood shall be in accordance with this section. The coating weights for zinc-coated fasteners shall be in accordance with ASTM A153. Stainless steel driven fasteners shall be in accordance with the material requirements of ASTM F1667.

R317.3.1 Fasteners for preservative-treated wood. Fasteners, including nuts and washers, for preservative-treated wood shall be of hot-dipped, zinc-coated galvanized steel, stainless steel, silicon bronze or copper. Staples shall be of stainless steel. Coating types and weights for connectors in contact with preservative-treated wood shall be in accordance with the connector manufacturer’s recommendations. In the absence of manufacturer’s recommendations, not less than ASTM A653 type G185 zinc-coated galvanized steel, or equivalent, shall be used.

Exceptions:

1. 12.5 mm (1/2-inch)-diameter or greater steel bolts.
2. Fasteners other than nails, staples and timber rivets shall be permitted to be of mechanically deposited zinc-coated steel with coating weights in accordance with ASTM B695, Class 55 minimum.
3. Plain carbon steel fasteners in SBX/DOT and zinc borate preservative-treated wood in an interior, dry environment shall be permitted.

R317.3.2 Fastenings for wood foundations. Fastenings, including nuts and washers, for wood foundations shall be as required in AWC PWF.

R317.3.3 Fasteners for fire-retardant-treated wood used in exterior applications or wet or damp locations. Fasteners, including nuts and washers, for fire-retardant-treated wood used in exterior applications or wet or damp locations shall be of hot-dipped, zinc-coated galvanized steel, stainless steel, silicon bronze or copper. Fasteners other than nails, staples and timber rivets shall be permitted to be of mechanically deposited zinc-coated steel with coating weights in accordance with ASTM B695, Class 55 minimum.

R317.3.4 Fasteners for fire-retardant-treated wood used in interior applications. Fasteners, including nuts and washers, for fire-retardant-treated wood used in interior locations shall be in accordance with the manufacturer’s recommendations. In the absence of the

manufacturer’s recommendations, Section R317.3.3 shall apply.

R317.4 Plastic composites. Plastic composite exterior deck boards, stair treads, guards and handrails containing wood, cellulosic or other biodegradable materials shall comply with the requirements of Section R507.2.2.

**SECTION R318
PROTECTION AGAINST SUBTERRANEAN
TERMITES**

R318.1 Subterranean termite control methods. All areas of Jamaica are subject to damage from termites as indicated by Table R301.2(1) and building protection shall be by one, or a combination, of the following methods:

1. Chemical termiticide treatment in accordance with Section R318.2.
2. Termite-baiting system installed and maintained in accordance with the product *label*.
3. Pressure-preservative-treated wood in accordance with the provisions of Section R317.1.
4. Naturally durable termite-resistant wood.
5. Physical barriers in accordance with Section R318.3 and used in locations as specified in Section R317.1.
6. Cold-formed steel framing for nonload-bearing internal partition walls in accordance with Sections R505.2.1 and R603.2.1.

R318.1.1 Quality mark. Lumber and plywood required to be pressure-preservative treated in accordance with Section R318.1 shall bear the quality *mark* of an inspection agency recognised or approved of by the BSJ. Such an agency shall maintain a continuous system of supervision, testing and inspection over the quality of the approved lumber and plywood and shall be accredited by a body that complies with the requirements of the American Lumber Standard Committee treated wood programme and also recognized or accepted by the BSJ.

R318.1.2 Field treatment. Field-cut ends, notches and drilled holes of pressure-preservative-treated wood shall be retreated in the field in accordance with AWWA M4.

R318.2 Chemical termiticide treatment. Chemical termiticide treatment shall include soil treatment or field-applied wood treatment. The concentration, rate of application and method of treatment of the chemical termiticide shall be in strict accordance with the termiticide manufacturer’s *label*. All chemical termiticides shall be approved by the Environmental Health Unit (EHU) of the Ministry of Health prior to use in Jamaica.

R318.3 Barriers. *Approved* physical barriers, such as metal or plastic sheeting or collars specifically designed for termite prevention, shall be approved by

the Building Official and shall be installed in a manner to prevent termites from entering the structure. Shields placed on top of an exterior foundation wall shall be used only if in combination with another method of protection.

Approved termite barriers shall also include a composition of naturally durable or pressure-preservative-treated woods and the above-mentioned physical barriers. American heartwood or redwood and eastern red cedar shall be considered termite resistant woods.

Pressure preservative-treated wood and naturally termite-resistant wood shall not be used by itself as a physical barrier unless the barrier can be inspected on an on-going basis for any termite shelter tubes around the inside and outside edges and joints of the barrier.

R318.4 Foam plastic protection. In areas where the probability of termite infestation is “very heavy” as indicated in Figure R301.2(7), extruded and expanded polystyrene, polyisocyanurate and other foam plastics shall not be installed on the exterior face or under interior or exterior foundation walls or slab foundations located below *grade*. The clearance

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between foam plastics installed above *grade* and exposed earth shall be not less than 150 mm (6 inches).

Exceptions:

1. Buildings where the structural members of walls, floors, ceilings and roofs are entirely of noncombustible materials or pressure-preservative-treated wood.
2. Where in *addition* to the requirements of Section R318.1, an *approved* method of protecting the foam plastic and structure from subterranean termite damage is used.
3. On the interior side of *basement walls*.

SECTION R319 SITE ADDRESS

R319.1 Address identification. Buildings under construction as well as completed shall be provided with *approved* address identification. The address identification shall satisfy the following requirements:

- a. Be legible and placed in a position that is visible from the street or road fronting the property.
- b. **Have** address characters that contrast with their background.
- c. **Have** address numbers in Arabic or alphabetical letters. Numbers shall not be spelled out.
- d. Each character shall be not less than 100 mm (4 inches) in height with a stroke width of not less than 12.5 mm (0.5 inch).
- e. Address numbers may be located on its own support or on the gate or gatepost to the property or fence of the property containing the building or on the building itself after construction has progressed to the point of providing undisturbed surfaces at least 1,830 mm (6 feet) above grade level.
- f. Address numbers may be shifted from the position it occupied during the building construction to a permanent location after building completion as long as the location satisfies one listed in “e” above.
- g. Where required by the Local Authority, address identification shall be provided in additional *approved* locations to facilitate emergency response.
- h. Where access is by means of a private road and the building address cannot be viewed from the public way, a monument, pole, gate, gate post or other sign or means shall be used to identify the structure.
- i. Permanent address identification shall be maintained.

SECTION R320 ACCESSIBILITY

R320.1 Scope. Where there are four or more *dwelling units* or sleeping units in a single structure, the structure shall be designed by registered design building professionals applying the provisions of Chapter 11 of the *Jamaica Building Code* for Group R-3 occupancy.

R320.1.1 Guestrooms. A *dwelling* with guestrooms shall comply with the provisions of Chapter 11 of the

Jamaica Building Code for Group R-3 and thereby be designed by registered building professionals. For the purpose of applying the requirements of Chapter 11 of the *Jamaica Building Code*, guestrooms shall be considered to be sleeping units.

SECTION R321 ELEVATORS AND PLATFORM LIFTS

R321.1 Elevators. Where provided, passenger elevators, limited-use and limited-application elevators or private residence elevators shall comply with ASME A17.1/CSA B44.

R321.2 Platform lifts. Where provided, platform lifts shall comply with ASME A18.1.

R321.3 Accessibility. Elevators or platform lifts that are part of an accessible route required by Chapter 11 of the *Jamaica Building Code*, shall comply with ICC A117.1. and shall be designed by a registered building professional.

SECTION R322 FLOOD-RESISTANT CONSTRUCTION

R322.1 General. Buildings and structures constructed in whole or in part in flood hazard areas, including A or V Zones and Coastal A Zones, as established in Table R301.2(1) by Water Resources Authority (WRA) drawings like Figure R322.1, and substantial improvement and repair of substantial damage of buildings and structures in flood hazard areas, shall be designed only by registered building professionals and constructed in accordance with the provisions contained in this section. Buildings and structures that are located in more than one flood hazard area shall comply with the provisions associated with the most restrictive flood hazard area. Buildings and structures located in whole or in part in identified floodways shall be designed and constructed in accordance with ASCE 24.

R322.1.1 Alternative provisions. As an alternative to the requirements in Section R322, ASCE 24 is permitted subject to the limitations of this code and the limitations therein.

R322.1.2 Structural systems. Structural systems of buildings and structures shall be designed, connected and anchored to resist flotation, collapse or permanent lateral movement due to structural loads and stresses from flooding equal to the design flood elevation.

R322.1.3 Flood-resistant construction. Buildings and structures erected in areas prone to flooding shall be constructed by methods and practices that minimize flood damage. This requires a design approach that minimizes the flood loading on the building up to the 100-year flood elevation.

R322.1.4 Establishing the design flood elevation. The highest expected flood elevation level shall be used to quantify the flood design structural loads in flood hazard areas. At a minimum, the design flood elevation shall be the higher of the following:

1. The flood elevation or depth corresponding to the peak flooding, event having a 1-percent (100-year flood) or smaller chance of being equaled or exceeded in any given year.
2. The elevation of the design flood associated with the area designated on a flood hazard map adopted by the community, or otherwise legally designated. This information shall be obtained from Water Resources Authority (WRA) maps specified in Table R301.2(1).

R322.1.4.1 Determination of design flood elevations.

If design flood elevations are not available from WRA Flood Plain Maps and were not specified by the design architect or engineer, the *building official* is authorized

to require the applicant to comply with either of the following:

1. Obtain and reasonably use data available from a Government, private sector or other source.
2. Determine the design flood elevation in accordance with accepted hydrologic and hydraulic engineering practices used to define special flood hazard areas. Determinations shall be undertaken

by a registered *design building professional* who shall document that the technical methods used reflect currently accepted engineering practice. Studies, analyses and computations shall be submitted in sufficient detail to allow thorough review and *approval*.

R322.1.4.2 Determination of impacts. In riverine flood hazard areas where design flood elevations are specified but floodways have not been designated, the applicant shall demonstrate that the effect of the proposed buildings and structures on design flood elevations, including fill, when combined with other existing and anticipated flood hazard area encroachments, will not increase the design flood elevation more than 305 mm (1 foot) at any point within Jamaica.

R322.1.5 Lowest floor. The lowest floor shall be the lowest floor of the lowest enclosed area, including *basement*, and excluding any unfinished flood-resistant enclosure that is useable solely for vehicle parking, building access or limited storage provided that such enclosure is not built so as to render the building or structure in violation of this section.

R322.1.6 Protection of mechanical, plumbing and electrical systems. Electrical systems, *equipment* and components; heating, ventilating, air-conditioning; plumbing *appliances* and plumbing fixtures; *duct systems*; and other service *equipment* shall be located above the elevation required in Section R322.2 or R322.3. If replaced as part of a substantial improvement, electrical systems, *equipment* and components; heating, ventilating, air-conditioning and plumbing *appliances* and plumbing fixtures; *duct systems*; and other service *equipment* shall meet the requirements of this section. Systems, fixtures, and *equipment* and components shall not be mounted on or penetrate through walls intended to break away under flood loads.

Exception: Locating electrical systems, *equipment* and components; heating, ventilating, air-conditioning; plumbing *appliances* and plumbing fixtures; *duct systems*; and other service *equipment* is permitted below the elevation required in Section R322.2 or R322.3 provided that they are designed and installed to prevent water from entering or accumulating within the components and to resist hydrostatic and hydrodynamic loads and stresses, including the effects of buoyancy, during the occurrence of flooding to the design flood elevation in accordance with ASCE 24. Electrical wiring systems are permitted to be located below the required elevation provided that they conform to the provisions of the electrical part of this code for wet locations.

R322.1.7 Protection of water supply and sanitary sewage systems. New and replacement water supply systems shall be designed to minimize or eliminate infiltration of flood waters into the systems in accordance with the plumbing provisions of this code. New and replacement sanitary sewage systems shall be designed to minimize or eliminate infiltration of floodwaters into systems and discharges from systems into floodwaters in accordance with

the plumbing provisions of this code and Chapter 3 of the *Jamaica Private Sewage Disposal Code*.

R322.1.8 Flood-resistant materials. Building materials and installation methods used for flooring and interior and exterior walls and wall coverings below the elevation required in Section R322.2 or R322.3 shall be flood damage-resistant materials that conform to the provisions of FEMA TB-2.

R322.1.9 Manufactured homes. The bottom of the frame of new and replacement *manufactured homes* on foundations that conform to the requirements of Section R322.2 or R322.3, as applicable, shall be elevated to or above the elevations specified in Section R322.2 (flood hazard areas including A Zones) or R322.3 in coastal high-hazard areas (V Zones and Coastal A Zones). The anchor and the most effective tie-down requirements shall apply. The foundation and anchorage of *manufactured homes* to be located in identified floodways shall be designed and constructed in accordance with ASCE 24.

R322.1.10 As-built elevation documentation. A registered *design building professional* shall prepare and seal documentation of the elevations specified in Section R322.2 or R322.3.

R322.2 Flood hazard areas (including A Zones). Areas that have been determined to be prone to flooding and that are not subject to high-velocity wave action shall be designated as flood hazard areas. Flood hazard areas that have been delineated as subject to wave heights between 455 mm (1½ feet) and 915 mm (3 feet) or otherwise designated by the jurisdiction shall be designated as Coastal A Zones and are subject to the requirements of Section R322.3. Buildings and structures constructed in whole or in part in flood hazard areas shall be designed and constructed in accordance with Sections R322.2.1 through R322.2.3.

R322.2.1 Elevation requirements.

1. Buildings and structures in flood hazard areas, including flood hazard areas designated as Coastal A Zones, shall have the lowest floors elevated to or above the base flood elevation plus 305 mm (1 foot), or the design flood elevation, whichever is higher.
2. In areas of shallow flooding (AO Zones), buildings and structures shall have the lowest floor (including *basement*) elevated to a height above the highest adjacent *grade* of not less than the depth number specified in millimetres (feet) on the WRA Flood Plain Maps like that of Figure R322.1 plus 305 mm (1 foot), or not less than 915 mm (3 feet) if a depth number is not specified.
3. Basement floors that are below *grade* on all sides shall be elevated to or above base flood elevation plus 305 mm (1 foot), or the design flood elevation, whichever is higher.

Exception: Enclosed areas below the design flood elevation, including *basements* with floors that are not below *grade* on all sides, shall meet the requirements of Section R322.2.2.

R322.2.2 Enclosed area below design flood elevation. Enclosed areas, including crawl spaces, that are below the design flood elevation shall:

1. Be used solely for parking of vehicles, building access or storage.
2. Be provided with flood openings that meet the following criteria and are installed in accordance with Section R322.2.2.1:
 1. The total net area of nonengineered openings shall be not less than 645 mm² (1 square inch) for each 0.093 m² (square foot) of enclosed area where the enclosed area is measured on the exterior of the enclosure walls, or the openings shall be designed as engineered openings and the *construction documents* shall include a statement by a registered *design building professional* that the design of the openings will provide for equalization of hydrostatic flood forces on *exterior walls* by allowing for the automatic entry and exit of floodwaters as specified in Section 2.7.2.2 of ASCE 24.
 2. Openings shall be not less than 76 mm (3 inches) in any direction in the plane of the wall.
 3. The presence of louvers, blades, screens and faceplates or other covers and devices shall allow the automatic flow of floodwater into and out of the enclosed areas and shall be accounted for in the determination of the net open area.

R322.2.2.1 Installation of openings. The walls of enclosed areas shall have openings installed such that:

1. There shall be not less than two openings on different sides of each enclosed area; if a building has more than one enclosed area below the design flood elevation, each area shall have openings.
2. The bottom of each opening shall be not more than 305 mm (1 foot) above the higher of the final interior grade or floor and the finished exterior grade immediately under each opening.
3. Openings shall be permitted to be installed in doors and windows; doors and windows without installed openings do not meet the requirements of this section.

R322.2.3 Foundation design and construction. Foundation walls for buildings and structures erected in flood hazard areas shall meet the requirements of Chapter 4.

Exception: Unless designed in accordance with Section R404:

1. The unsupported height of 150 mm (6-inch) plain masonry walls shall be not more than 915 mm (3 feet).
2. The unsupported height of 205 mm (8-inch) plain masonry walls shall be not more than 1,220 mm (4 feet).

3. The unsupported height of 205 mm (8-inch) reinforced masonry walls shall be not more than 2,450 mm (8 feet).

For the purpose of this exception, unsupported height is the distance from the finished *grade* of the under-floor space to the top of the wall.

R322.2.4 Tanks. Underground tanks shall be anchored to prevent flotation, collapse and lateral movement under conditions of the base flood. Above-ground tanks shall be installed at or above the elevation required in Section R322.2.1 or shall be anchored to prevent flotation, collapse and lateral movement under conditions of the base flood.

R322.3 Coastal high-hazard areas (including V Zones and Coastal A Zones, where designated). Areas that have been determined to be subject to wave heights in excess of 915 mm (3 feet) or subject to high-velocity wave action or wave-induced erosion shall be designated as coastal high-hazard areas. Flood hazard areas that have been designated as subject to wave heights between 455 mm (1½ feet) and 915 mm (3 feet) or otherwise designated by the Local Authority shall be designated as Coastal A Zones. Buildings and structures constructed in whole or in part in coastal high-hazard areas and Coastal A Zones, where designated, shall be designed and constructed in accordance with Sections R322.3.1 through R322.3.10.

R322.3.1 Location and site preparation.

1. New buildings and buildings that are determined to be substantially improved pursuant to Section R105.3.1.1 shall be located landward of the reach of mean high tide.
2. For any alteration of sand dunes and mangrove stands, the *building official* shall require submission of an engineering analysis that demonstrates that the proposed *alteration* will not increase the potential for flood damage.

R322.3.2 Elevation requirements.

1. Buildings and structures erected within coastal high-hazard areas and Coastal A Zones, shall be elevated so that the bottom of the lowest horizontal structural members supporting the lowest floor, with the exception of piling, pile caps, columns, grade beams and bracing, is elevated to or above the base flood elevation plus 305 mm (1 foot) or the design flood elevation, whichever is higher.
2. Basement floors that are below *grade* on all sides are prohibited.
3. The use of fill for structural support is prohibited.
4. Minor grading, and the placement of minor quantities of fill, shall be permitted for landscaping and for drainage purposes under and around buildings and for support of parking slabs, pool decks, patios and

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walkways.

5. Walls and partitions enclosing areas below the design flood elevation shall meet the requirements of Sections R322.3.5 and R322.3.6.

R322.3.3 Foundations. Buildings and structures erected in coastal high-hazard areas and Coastal A Zones shall be supported on pilings or columns and shall be adequately anchored to such pilings or columns. The space below the elevated building shall be either free of obstruction or, if enclosed with walls, the walls shall meet the requirements of Section R322.3.5. Pilings shall have adequate soil penetrations to resist the combined wave and wind loads (lateral and uplift). Water-loading values used shall be those associated with the design flood. Wind-loading values shall be those required by this code. Pile embedment shall include consideration of decreased resistance capacity caused by scour of soil strata surrounding the piling. Pile systems design and installation shall be certified in accordance with Section R322.3.9. Spread footing, mat, raft or other foundations that support columns shall not be permitted where soil investigations that are required in accordance with Section R401.4 indicate that soil material under the spread footing, mat, raft or other foundation is subject to scour or erosion from wave-velocity flow conditions. If permitted, spread footing, mat, raft or other foundations that support columns shall be designed in accordance with ASCE 24.

Exception: In Coastal A Zones, stem wall foundations supporting a floor system above and backfilled with soil or gravel to the underside of the floor system shall be permitted provided that the foundations are designed to account for wave action, debris impact, erosion and local scour. Where soils are susceptible to erosion and local scour, stem wall foundations shall have deep footings to account for the loss of soil.

R322.3.4 Concrete slabs. Concrete slabs used for parking, floors of enclosures, landings, decks, walkways, patios and similar uses that are located beneath structures, or slabs that are located such that if undermined or displaced during base flood conditions could cause structural damage to the building foundation, shall be designed and constructed in accordance with one of the following:

1. To be structurally independent of the foundation system of the structure, to not transfer flood loads to the main structure, and to be frangible and break away under flood conditions prior to base flood conditions. Slabs shall be a maximum of 100 mm (4 inches) thick, shall not have turned-down edges, shall not contain reinforcing, shall have isolation joints at pilings and columns, and shall have control or construction joints in both directions spaced not more than 1,220 mm (4 feet) apart.
2. To be self-supporting, structural slabs capable of remaining intact and functional under base flood conditions, including erosion and local scour, and the main structure shall be capable of resisting any added flood loads and effects of local scour caused by the presence of the slabs.

R322.3.5 Walls below design flood elevation. Walls and partitions are permitted below the elevated floor, provided

that such walls and partitions are not part of the structural support of the building or structure and:

1. Electrical, mechanical and plumbing system components are not to be mounted on or penetrate through walls that are designed to break away under flood loads; and
2. Are constructed with insect screening or open lattice; or
3. Are designed to break away or collapse without causing collapse, displacement or other structural damage to the elevated portion of the building or supporting foundation system. Such walls, framing and connections shall have a resistance of not less than 479 Pa (10 lbs/ft²) and not more than 958 Pa (20 lbs/ft²) as determined using allowable stress design; or
4. Where wind loading values of this code exceed 958 Pa (20 pounds per square foot), as determined using allowable stress design, the *construction documents* shall include documentation prepared and sealed by a registered *design building professional* that:
 1. The walls and partitions below the design flood elevation have been designed to collapse from a water load less than that which would occur during the base flood.
 2. The elevated portion of the building and supporting foundation system have been designed to withstand the effects of wind and flood loads acting simultaneously on structural and nonstructural building components. Water-loading values used shall be those associated with the design flood. Wind-loading values shall be those required by this code.
5. Walls intended to break away under flood loads as specified in Item 3 or 4 have flood openings that meet the criteria in Section R322.2.2, Item 2.

R322.3.6 Enclosed areas below design flood elevation. Enclosed areas below the design flood elevation shall be used solely for parking of vehicles, building access or storage.

R322.3.6.1 Protection of building envelope. An exterior door that meets the requirements of Section R609 shall be installed at the top of stairs that provide access to the building and that are enclosed with walls designed to break away in accordance with Section R322.3.5.

R322.3.7 Stairways and ramps. Stairways and ramps that are located below the lowest floor elevations specified in Section R322.3.2 shall comply with one or more of the following:

1. Be designed and constructed with open or partially open risers and guards.
2. Stairways and ramps not part of the required means of egress shall be designed and

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constructed to break

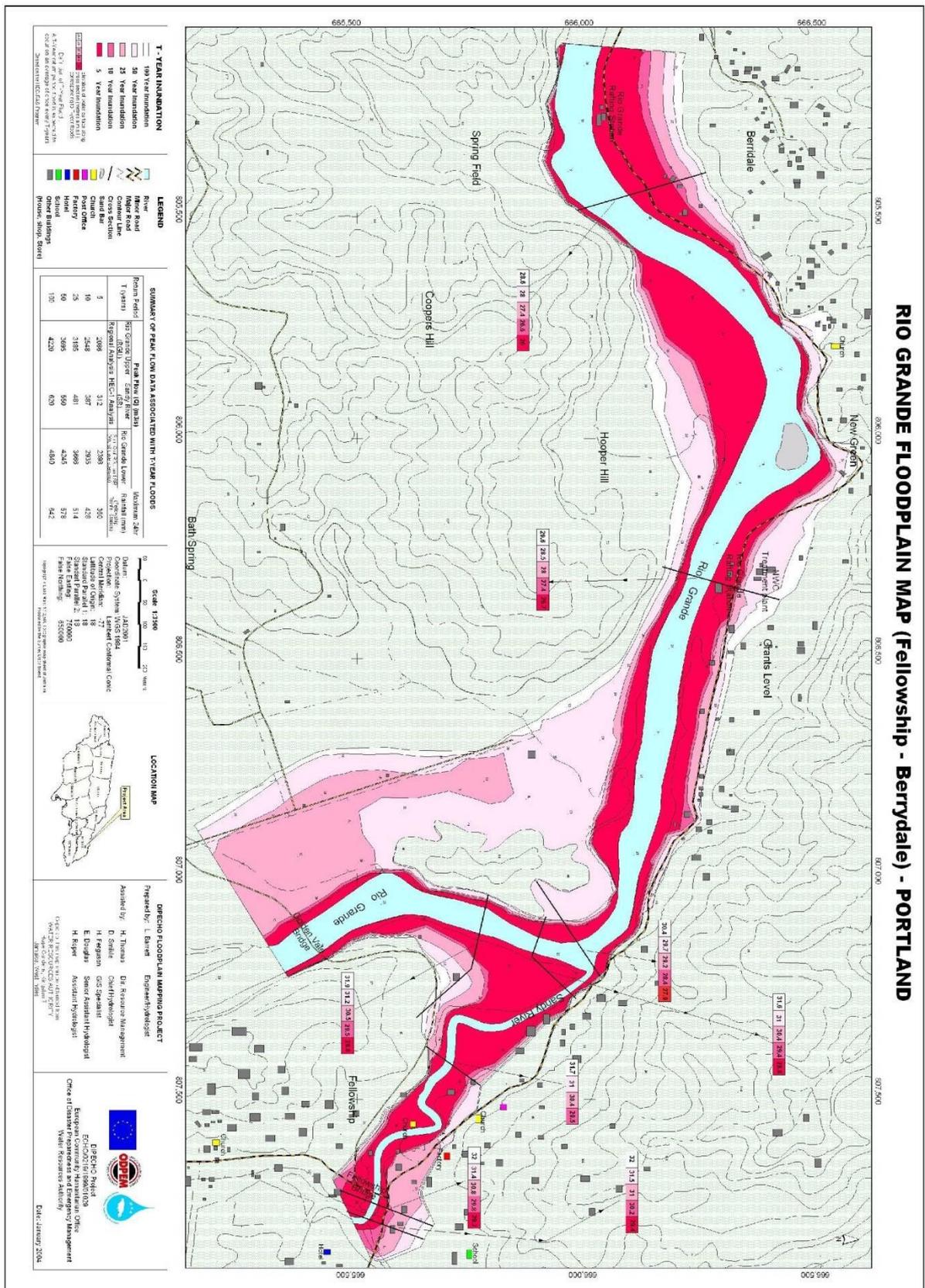


FIGURE R322.2.1
EXAMPLE OF FLOOD PLAIN MAP – FELLOWSHIP TO BERRYDALE AREA IN PORTLAND

Contact Water Resources Authority at Hope Gardens, Kingston 6; TEL. 876 927 0077, 876 702 3952, 876 977 3608, 977 4194, 977 7565; Fax 977 0179; Email: bfernandez@wra.gov.jm for latest mapped flood plain status)

away during design flood conditions without causing damage to the building or structure, including foundation.

3. Be retractable, or able to be raised to or above the lowest floor elevation, provided that the ability to be retracted or raised prior to the onset of flooding is not contrary to the means of egress requirements of the code.
4. Be designed and constructed to resist flood loads and minimize transfer of flood loads to the building or structure, including foundation.

Areas below stairways and ramps shall not be enclosed with walls below the design flood elevation unless such walls are constructed in accordance with Section R322.3.5.

R322.3.8 Decks and porches. Attached decks and porches shall meet the elevation requirements of Section R322.3.2 and shall either meet the foundation requirements of this section or shall be cantilevered from or knee braced to the building or structure. Self-supporting decks and porches that are below the elevation required in Section R322.3.2 shall not be enclosed by solid, rigid walls, including walls designed to break away. Self-supporting decks and porches shall be designed and constructed to remain in place during base flood conditions or shall be frangible and break away under base flood conditions.

R322.3.9 Construction documents. The *construction documents* shall include documentation that is prepared and sealed by a registered *design building professional* that the design and methods of construction to be used meet the applicable criteria of this section.

R322.3.10 Tanks. Underground tanks shall be anchored to prevent flotation, collapse and lateral movement under conditions of the base flood. Above-ground tanks shall be installed at or above the elevation required in Section R322.3.2. Where elevated on platforms, the platforms shall be cantilevered from or knee braced to the building or shall be supported on foundations that conform to the requirements of Section R322.3.

SECTION R323 STORM SHELTERS

R323.1 General. This section applies to storm shelters where constructed as separate detached buildings or where constructed as safe rooms within buildings for the purpose of providing refuge from storms that produce high winds, such as tornados and hurricanes. In addition to other applicable requirements in this code, storm shelters shall be constructed in accordance with ICC/NSSA-500.

SECTION 324 SOLAR ENERGY SYSTEMS

R324.1 General. Solar energy systems shall comply with the provisions of this section.

R324.2 Solar thermal systems. Solar thermal systems shall be designed and installed in accordance with Chapter 23

R324.3 Photovoltaic systems. Photovoltaic systems shall be designed and installed in accordance with Sections R324.3.1 through R324.7.1, the Jamaica Electrical Code based on NFPA 70 and the manufacturer's installation instructions.

R324.3.1 Equipment listings. Photovoltaic panels and modules shall be listed and labelled in accordance with UL 1703. Inverters shall be *listed* and *labelled* in accordance with UL 1741. Systems connected to the utility grid shall use inverters *listed* for utility interaction.

R324.4 Rooftop-mounted photovoltaic systems. Rooftop-mounted *photovoltaic panel systems* installed on or above the roof covering shall be designed and installed in accordance with this section.

R324.4.1 Structural requirements. Rooftop-mounted *photovoltaic panel systems* shall be designed to structurally support the system and withstand applicable gravity loads in accordance with Chapter 3. The roof on which these systems are installed shall be designed and constructed to support the loads imposed by such systems in accordance with Chapter 8.

R324.4.1.1 Roof load. Portions of roof structures not covered with *photovoltaic panel systems* shall be designed for dead loads and roof loads in accordance with Sections R301.4 and R301.6. Portions of roof structures covered with *photovoltaic panel systems* shall be designed for the following load cases:

1. Dead load (including *photovoltaic panel* weight) plus the panels support system load.
2. Dead load (excluding *photovoltaic panel* weight) plus roof live load and the panels support system load, in accordance with Section R301.6.

R324.4.1.2 Wind load. Rooftop-mounted *photovoltaic panel* or *module* systems and their supports shall be designed and installed to resist the component and cladding loads specified in Table R301.2(2), adjusted for height and exposure in accordance with Table R301.2(3).

R324.4.2 Fire classification. Rooftop-mounted *photovoltaic panel systems* shall have the same fire classification as the roof assembly required in Section R902.

R324.4.3 Roof penetrations. Roof penetrations shall be flashed and sealed in accordance with Chapter 9.

R324.5 Building-integrated photovoltaic systems. Building-integrated photovoltaic systems that serve as roof coverings shall be designed and installed in accordance with Section R905.

R324.5.1 Photovoltaic shingles. Photovoltaic shingles shall comply with Section R905.16.

R324.5.2 Fire classification. *Building-integrated photovoltaic systems* shall have a fire classification in accordance with Section R902.3.

Panels and modules installed on dwellings shall not be

R324.6 Roof access and pathways. Roof access, pathways and setback requirements shall be provided in accordance with Sections R324.6.1 through R324.6.2.1. Access and minimum spacing shall be required to provide emergency access to the roof, to provide pathways to specific areas of the roof, provide for smoke ventilation opportunity areas, and to provide emergency egress from the roof.

Exceptions:

1. Detached, nonhabitable structures, including but not limited to detached garages, parking shade structures, carports, solar trellises and similar structures, shall not be required to provide roof access.
2. Roof access, pathways and setbacks need not be provided where the Local Authority has determined that rooftop operations will not be employed.
3. These requirements shall not apply to roofs with slopes of two units vertical in 12 units horizontal (17-percent slope) or less.

R324.6.1 Pathways. Not fewer than two pathways, on separate roof planes from lowest roof edge to ridge and not less than 915 mm (36 inches) wide, shall be provided on all buildings. Not fewer than one pathway shall be provided on the street or driveway side of the roof. For each roof plane with a photovoltaic array, a pathway not less than 915 mm (36 inches) wide shall be provided from the lowest roof edge to ridge on the same roof plane as the photovoltaic array, on an adjacent roof plane, or straddling the same and adjacent roof planes. Pathways shall be over areas capable of supporting fire fighters accessing the roof. Pathways shall be located in areas with minimal obstructions such as vent pipes, conduit, or mechanical equipment.

R324.6.2 Setback at ridge. For photovoltaic arrays occupying not more than 33 percent of the plan view total roof area, not less than an 455 mm (18-inch) clear setback is required on both sides of a horizontal ridge. For photovoltaic arrays occupying more than 33 percent of the plan view total roof area, not less than a 915 mm (36-inch) clear setback is required on both sides of a horizontal ridge.

R324.6.2.1 Alternative setback at ridge. Where an automatic sprinkler system is installed within the dwelling in accordance with NFPA 13D or Section P2904, setbacks at ridges shall comply with one of the following:

1. For photovoltaic arrays occupying not more than 66 percent of the plan view total roof area, not less than an 455 mm (18-inch) clear setback is required on both sides of a horizontal ridge.
2. For photovoltaic arrays occupying more than 66 percent of the plan view total roof area, not less than a 915 mm (36-inch) clear setback is required on both sides of a horizontal ridge.

R324.6.2.2 Emergency escape and rescue opening.

placed on the portion of a roof that is below an emergency escape and rescue opening. A pathway not less than 915 mm (36 inches) wide shall be provided to the emergency escape and rescue opening.

R324.7 Ground-mounted photovoltaic systems. Ground-mounted photovoltaic systems shall be designed and installed in accordance with Section R301.

R324.7.1 Fire separation distances. Ground-mounted photovoltaic systems shall be subject to the *fire separation distance* requirements determined by the *Jamaica Fire Brigade*.

SECTION R325 MEZZANINES

R325.1 General. Mezzanines shall comply with Sections R325 through R325.5. *Habitable attics* shall comply with Section R325.6.

R325.2 Mezzanines. The clear height above and below mezzanine floor construction shall be not less than 2,150 mm (7 feet).

R325.3 Area limitation. The aggregate area of a mezzanine or mezzanines shall be not greater than one-third of the floor area of the room or space in which they are located. The enclosed portion of a room shall not be included in a determination of the floor area of the room in which the *mezzanine* is located.

Exception: The aggregate area of a mezzanine located within a dwelling unit equipped with a fire sprinkler system in accordance with Section P2904 shall not be greater than one-half of the floor area of the room, provided that the mezzanine meets all of the following requirements:

1. Except for enclosed closets and bathrooms, the mezzanine is open to the room in which such mezzanine is located.
2. The opening to the room is unobstructed except for walls not more than 1,065 mm (42 inches) in height, columns and posts.
3. The exceptions to Section R325.5 are not applied.

R325.4 Means of egress. The means of egress for mezzanines shall comply with the applicable provisions of Section R311.

R325.5 Openness. Mezzanines shall be open and unobstructed to the room in which they are located except for walls not more than 915 mm (36 inches) in height, columns and posts.

Exceptions:

1. Mezzanines or portions thereof are not required to be open to the room in which they are located, provided

that the aggregate floor area of the enclosed space is not greater than 10 percent of the mezzanine area.

2. In buildings that are not more than two stories above *grade plane* and equipped throughout with an automatic sprinkler system in accordance with Section R313, a mezzanine shall not be required to be open to the room in which the mezzanine is located.

R325.6 Habitable attic. A habitable attic shall not be considered a story where complying with all of the following requirements:

1. The occupiable floor area is not less than 17 m² (70 square feet), in accordance with Section R304.
2. The occupiable floor area has a ceiling height in accordance with Section R305.
3. The occupiable space is enclosed by the roof assembly above, knee walls (if applicable) on the sides and the floor-ceiling assembly below.
4. The floor of the occupiable space shall not extend beyond the exterior walls of the floor below.

SECTION R326 SWIMMING POOLS, SPAS AND HOT TUBS

R326.1 General. The design and construction of pools and spas shall comply with the *International Swimming Pool and Spa Code*.

SECTION R327 STATIONARY STORAGE BATTERY SYSTEMS

R327.1 General. *Stationary storage battery system* shall comply with the provisions of this section.

R327.2 Equipment listings. *Stationary storage battery systems* shall be *listed* and *labelled* for residential use in accordance with UL 9540.

Exceptions:

1. Where *approved*, repurposed unlisted battery systems from electric vehicles are allowed to be installed outdoors or in detached sheds located not less than 1,525 mm (5 feet) from exterior walls, property lines and public ways.
2. *Battery systems* that are an integral part of an electric vehicle are allowed provided that the installation complies with Section 625.48 of the Jamaica Electrical Code or NFPA 70
3. Battery systems less than 1 kWh (3.6 megajoules).

R327.3 Installation. *Stationary storage battery systems* shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions and their *listing*, if applicable, and shall not be installed within the habitable space of a dwelling unit.

R327.4 Electrical installation. *Stationary storage battery systems* shall be installed in accordance with the Jamaica Electrical Code or NFPA 70. Inverters shall be *listed* and *labelled* in accordance with UL 1741 or provided as part of the UL 9540 listing. Systems connected to the utility grid shall use inverters listed for utility interaction.

R327.5 Ventilation. Indoor installations of *stationary storage battery systems* that include batteries that produce hydrogen or other flammable gases during charging shall be provided with ventilation in accordance with Section M1307.4.

R327.6 Protection from impact. *Stationary storage battery systems* installed in a location subject to vehicle damage shall be protected by approved barriers.

SECTION R328 PREAPPROVED PLANS

R328.1 General. Pre-approved Plans (PAP) aims at bringing housing construction in the informal building sector into compliance with this code by making several code compliant housing design plans available at minimal cost. The strategy for bringing this large and growing housing sector into code compliance shall be as follows:

- i. Encourage the design and drafting of noncomplex house models that are fully compliant with the Jamaica Small/Residential Building Code (JSRBC).
- ii. Subject the drawings of each house model to the Local Authority approval process to assess its compliance with the JSRBC.
 3. Accord Pre-approved Plan status to the Local Authority approved house models.
- iv. Make the Pre-approved Plans easily and cheaply available to the public at the Local Authorities or online.
- v. Purchasers of pre-approved plans to prepare or have prepared site specific plan(s) including foundations for the pre-approved plan and request local Authority building permit.
- vi. The Local Authority to conduct construction stage inspections as a permit condition.
- vii. Ensure that Occupancy Certification is conducted as a condition for occupancy.

R328.2 Scope. The design drawings to be accorded pre-approved listing status shall be residential single family detached buildings that initially or finally will not exceed 300 m² in area. The designs outlined in the drawings shall meet the requirements of the Jamaica Small / Residential Building Code (JSRBC) and where constructed as detailed on the plan(s) shall result in houses that fully meet the JSRBC.

R328.3 Site inspections requirements and work rejection conditions. Inspections at critical construction points shall be conducted on houses constructed from PAP. Building construction stage inspections shall result in work being rejected if:

- a. There is no legal or valid permit on site for the building under construction; or
- b. The house under consideration is larger than or being expanded beyond the 300 m² limit approved by the permit; or
- c. The foundation excavation is not free from loose material or debris or the reinforcing steel is inadequate or incorrectly configured or any required form work is not secured in place; or
- d. The external walls are not reinforced concrete nor fire retarded wood as approved; or

- e. The roof framing structure is not compliant to this code.
- f. The roof covering anchorage is not compliant to this code.

R328.4 Occupancy certificate requirement and denial.

An Occupancy Certificate shall be obtained from the Local Authority for occupation of a house constructed from pre-approved plans. Issuance of an Occupancy Certificate shall be denied to houses claiming to have satisfied Pre-approved Plan requirements if:

- a. The house under consideration was expanded beyond the 300 m² limit of this code; or
- b. The builder has constructed a house from the Pre-approved Plans without getting a building permit from the Local Authority; or
- c. The owner or the builder has not procured the required critical construction inspections by the governing Local Authority for the area or
- d. If the builder in constructing the house from a Pre-approved Plan deviates from its design features.

R328.5 Effect of not obtaining a building permit. Failure to obtain a building permit from the Local Authority governing the area in which the building is being erected shall result in the following:

- i) Possible demolition of the building by the Local Authority, which may give a maximum of three months notice.
- ii) Refusal of the Local Authority to issue an Occupancy Certificate for that building .

R328.6 Effect of a Local Authority not issuing an occupancy certificate for a completed building. The following are the critical problems that shall emanate from a house for which the Local Authority refuses to issue an Occupancy Certificate:

- 1. The house cannot be occupied legally.
- 2. Mortgage from a Government owned organization will be denied.
- 3. Transfer of ownership will not be possible.

R328.7 Exemptions disallowed under the pre-approved plan system. Prospective users of Pre-approved Plans shall note that the following conditions shall apply to the use of these plans:

- i) The site selected for erecting a pre-approved plan shall not be automatically accepted as suitable to the Local Authority. Unless the Local Authority through zoning, site visit and review, site plan design review, soil tests or some other effective method approves the site for onstruction of a Pre-approved Plan acquired, the owner or contractor shall not assume automatic approval of the site for building.
- ii) Automatic approval of a foundation design submitted to the Local Authority for approval shall not be assumed. Unless the Local Authority through site plan design review, site visit or some other effective method approves the foundation design plan for a house to be

constructed under the Pre-approved Plan system, the owner or contractor shall not assume automatic approval of the foundation design submitted.

- iii) Non-acceptance of significant dead load increases on the house structure (such as roof mounted water tanks), which was not designed for originally and approved in the building permit.
- iv) Non acceptance of modifications that require structural analyses and clearance by the Local Authority before construction.

R328.8 Decision to use a Pre-approved Plan. Once the decision has been made by a potential house owner or builder to use a Pre-approved Plan he / she shall proceed as follows:

1. Procure a site plan of the housing site in which the intended house is to be built from a Registered Land Surveyor or Survey Department of the Ministry of Agriculture and Lands.
2. Go to the Local Authority that has jurisdiction for the area in which he/she intends to build and acquire a copy of the Pre-approved house design plan of choice.
3. Have a registered structural engineer, architect or draughtsman prepare the foundation drawings for the type site and Pre-approved Plan selected.
4. Submit to the Local Authority for a building permit the requisite copies of the foundation and Pre-approved Plans.
5. If the proposed site is zoned for housing, the site is not subjected to flooding or land slippage and the foundation design plan is satisfactory for the slope of the site, the foundation plan and Pre-approved Plan shall be approved for construction, stamped and returned to the applicant with a later indicating the stages of construction that shall be inspected by the Local Authority and the builders responsibility to request interim and final inspections for occupancy.
6. If the site plan for the house shows that the terrain exists in a flood plain or land slippage area or have slope greater than one unit vertically to four units horizontally then the site specific foundation design shall be done only by a registered Structural Engineer.
7. Once the designed foundation has been submitted, reviewed and approved, the Local Authority shall grant a building permit. Unacceptable foundation designs shall be returned for correction and re-submission.
8. Once the potential house owner or builder receives his building permit he/she can proceed with construction ensuring the Local Authority is notified of required construction inspection points two days ahead of requirement.

R328.9 Where to obtain pre-approved plans. Pre-approved plans shall be obtained only from the Local Authority having jurisdiction for the area in which the house is to be built. Pre-approved Plans acquired otherwise shall not be legal if used unless the proposed user takes it to the Local Authority for validation stamping.

R328.10 Procuring Building Permit is an absolute must.

Unless a building permit is procured the potential house owner cannot legally construct a house based on a Pre-approved Plan. Building permit shall be applied for after acquisition of the choice Pre-approved Plan and design of the site specific foundation plan. Where the site plan and proposed house location warrants foundation plans designed by a structural engineer the Building Permit shall be issued only if the foundation design is done, submitted, and stamped by the registered structural engineer.

R328.11 Pre-approved plans to be sold at minimal cost. Each Local Authority shall make the Pre-approved Plans available at minimal cost. Cost need not be standardized across Local Authorities and any Local Authority shall have the freedom of using low cost to attract as many informal builders and potential home owners to use the Pre-approved Plan system.

R328.12 List of Pre-approved Plans to follow number series. The list of Pre-approved Plans shall be numbered in a logical but open-ended manner to allow the Standards Authority (Bureau of Standards Jamaica [BSJ]) to add new design models in an organized way. Each drawing number shall represent a model house design or part thereof. If the design is contained on more than one drawing the sheets shall be numbered A, B, C, etc. Drawing numbers shall be made up of the first letters of Pre-approved Plans (P-AP), the year of issuance (2007, 2008, 2009, etc.), the model house design number (H1, H2, H3, etc.), and the sheet number (A, B, C, etc.). The following examples show how the BSJ shall number (identify) approved Pre-approved Plans:

- i. P-AP 2007-H1 - A for sheet 1, P-AP 2007-H1 – B for sheet 2, etc. for the first housing model approved in the year 2007.
- ii. P-AP 2007-H2 – A for sheet 1, P-AP 2007-H2 – B for sheet 2, etc. for the second housing model approved in the year 2007.
- iii. P-AP 2007-H3 - A for sheet 1, P-AP 2007-H3 – B for sheet 2, etc. for the third housing model approved in the year 2007.
- iv. P-AP 2008-H1 - A for sheet 1, P-AP 2008-H1 – B for sheet 2, etc. for the first housing model approved in the year 2008.
- v. P-AP 2008-H2 - A for sheet 1, P-AP 2008-H2 – B for sheet 2, etc. for the second housing model approved in the year 2008.
- vi. P-AP 2008-H3 - A for sheet 1, P-AP 2008-H3 – B for sheet 2, etc. for the third housing model approved in the year 2008.
- vii. P-AP 2009-H1 - A for sheet 1, P-AP 2009-H1 – B for sheet 2, etc. for the first housing model approved in the year 2009.
- viii. P-AP 2009-H2 - A for sheet 1, P-AP 2009-H2 – B for sheet 2, etc. for the second housing model approved in the year 2009.

ix. any other.

SECTION 4508

PROCEDURE FOR INCREASDING THE LIST OF PRE-APPROVED PLANS

4508.1 Who can submit new plans for pre-approval listing. Any Local Authority, Architectural or Engineering Professional Society, Ministry of Housing, Ministry of Local Government and Community Development, universities, International Donor Agencies, the Standards Authority, registered architect, registered engineer any other reputable and capable organisation or individuals can submit a new house model for consideration and approval as a Pre-approved Plan.

4508.2 To whom should new plans for listing be submitted. New designs for listing consideration and approval as Pre-approved Plans shall be submitted along with a letter of request to the Standards Authority, the Bureau of Standards, Jamaica located at 6 Winchester Road Kingston 10.

4508.3 Acceptable format for new plan submissions. New drawings for Pre-approved Plan consideration and approval shall be submitted in soft, hard or combination copy format.

If the soft copy format only is chosen the design shall be done in CAD and converted to PDF for ease of printing and to safeguard against easy plagiarization. The scale shall be a minimum of 1mm to 100 mm and shall be printable on 430 mm x 280 mm (17" x 11") paper.

If the hard copy format is chosen then at least seven copies of the design plans shall be submitted for the review. The plans shall be at scale 1mm to 100 mm or larger and on drawing sheets of 430mm x 280mm (17" x 11") or larger.

If the combination format is chosen then the soft copy shall be a CD meeting the condition above. The hard copy shall be three sets of plans at scale of 1mm to 100mm or larger on drawing sheets of 430 mm (17 inches) x 280 mm (11 inches) or larger.

4508.4 The listing approval process. The BSJ on receiving a set of house design plans for listing as Pre-approved Plans shall:

- i. Acknowledge receipt of the plans and outline the process through which it must pass to be accorded listing status.

ii. Inform the Association of Local Government Authorities (ALGA) of the request(s) for listing of new housing design plans as Pre-approved Plans and invite ALGA to activate its Standing Review Committee on Small Building Code Pre-approval Plans to review the submission and decide whether it complies with the code, whether it should be accepted for Pre-approved Plan listing or not and whether any modification is needed for approval.

iii. If the ALGA Standing Review Committee on meeting approves the design without modification then the BSJ shall add the design to the list of Pre-approved Plans forthwith, and notify all stakeholders of the revised list.

iv. If ALGA Standing Review Committee turns down the design for a major modification then the BSJ shall request the submitter to redo his / her design and resubmit the plans for approval and listing. The BSJ on receiving the redesigned plan(s) shall request ALGA's Standing Review Committee on Small Building Code to review it and ensure that it complies with the code. Compliance shall result in the plans being recommended for Pre-approved Plans listing. The BSJ on receiving this recommendation shall list the plans giving them the appropriate number of the series and forthwith notify all stakeholders of the revised list of Pre-approved Plans.

v. If the ALGA Standing Review Committee approves the design with modification(s) then the BSJ shall request the submitter to correct his / her design and resubmit the plans to the BSJ for approval and listing. The BSJ on receiving the corrected plans and attesting to the satisfactory completion of the requested modification(s) shall accord it the Pre-approved Plans status, number, and forthwith notify all stakeholders of the revised list of pre-approved plans.

CHAPTER 4

FOUNDATIONS

User note:

***About this chapter:** Chapter 4 provides requirements for constructing footings and stem walls for foundations of masonry, concrete and precast concrete. In addition to a foundation's ability to support the required design loads, this chapter addresses several other factors that can affect foundation performance. These include controlling surface water and subsurface drainage, requiring soil tests where conditions warrant and evaluating proximity to slopes and minimum depth requirements. This chapter also provides requirements to minimize adverse effects of moisture, decay and pests in basements and crawl spaces.*

SECTION R401 GENERAL

R401.1 Application. The provisions of this chapter shall control the design and construction of the foundation and foundation spaces for buildings. In addition to the provisions of this chapter, the design and construction of foundations in flood hazard areas as established by Table R301.2(1) shall meet the provisions of Section R322.

R401.2 Requirements. Foundation construction shall be capable of accommodating all loads in accordance with Section R301 and of transmitting the resulting loads to the supporting soil. The bearing capacity of the foundation supporting soil shall determine the foundation type used for a given building. Fill soils that support footings and foundations shall be designed, installed and tested in accordance with accepted engineering practice. Minimum recommended footing sizes are shown in Tables R403.1(1), R403.1(2) and R403.1(3).

R401.3 Drainage. Surface drainage shall be diverted to a storm sewer conveyance or other *approved* point of collection that does not create a hazard. *Lots* shall be graded to drain surface water away from foundation walls. The *grade* shall fall not fewer than 150 mm (6 inches) within the first 3050 mm (10 feet).

Exception: Where *lot lines*, walls, slopes or other physical barriers prohibit 150 mm (6 inches) of fall within 3,050 mm (10 feet) or if the land cannot be sloped away from the house for other reasons, drains or swales shall be constructed to ensure drainage away from the structure. Impervious surfaces within 3,050 mm (10 feet) of the building foundation shall be sloped not less than 2 percent away from the building.

R401.4 Soil tests. Where quantifiable data created by accepted soil science methodologies indicate *expansive soils*, *compressible soils*, shifting soils or other questionable soil characteristics are likely to be present, the *building official* shall determine whether to require a soil test to determine the soil's characteristics at a particular location. This test shall be done by an *approved agency* using an *approved method*.

R401.4.1 Geotechnical evaluation. In lieu of a complete geotechnical evaluation, the load-bearing values in Table R401.4.1 shall be assumed.

**TABLE R401.4.1
PRESUMPTIVE LOAD-BEARING
VALUES OF FOUNDATION MATERIALS^a**

CLASS OF MATERIAL	LOAD-BEARING PRESSURE (Kilo-Pascals)
Crystalline bedrock	574.8
Sedimentary and foliated rock	191.6
Sandy gravel and/or gravel (GW and GP)	143.7
Sand, silty sand, clayey sand, silty gravel and clayey gravel (SW, SP, SM, SC, GM and GC)	95.8
Clay, sandy, silty clay, clayey silt, silt and sandy siltclay (CL, ML, MH and CH)	71.85 ^b

For Inch Pound Units: 1 kPa = 20.89 pound per square foot.

- a. Where soil tests are required by Section R401.4, the allowable bearing capacities of the soil shall be part of the recommendations.
- b. Where the building official determines that in-place soils with an allowable bearing capacity of less than 71.81 kPa (1,500 psf) are likely to be present at the site, the allowable bearing capacity shall be determined by a soils investigation.

R401.4.2 Compressible or shifting soil. Instead of a complete geotechnical evaluation, where top or subsoils are compressible or shifting, they shall be removed to a depth and width sufficient to ensure stable moisture content in each active zone and shall not be used as fill or stabilized within each active zone by chemical, dewatering or presaturation. If required to be replaced, the soil removed is to be replaced with suitable engineered fill.

SECTION R402 MATERIALS

R402.1 Wood foundations. Not Applicable

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R402.1.1 Fasteners. Fasteners used below *grade* in wooden buildings to attach plywood to the exterior side of exterior *basement* or crawl-space wall studs, or fasteners used in knee wall construction, shall be of Type 304 or 316 stainless steel. Fasteners used above *grade* to attach plywood and all lumber-to-lumber fasteners except those used in knee wall construction shall be of Type 304 or 316 stainless steel, silicon bronze, copper, hot-dipped galvanized (zinc coated) steel nails, or hot-tumbled galvanized (zinc coated) steel nails. Electro-galvanized steel nails and galvanized (zinc coated) steel staples shall not be permitted.

R402.1.2 Wood treatment. Lumber and plywood shall be pressure-preservative treated and dried after treatment in accordance with AWPA U1 (Commodity Specification A, Special Requirement 4.2), and shall bear the *label* of an accredited agency. Where lumber or plywood is cut or drilled after treatment, the treated surface shall be field treated with copper naphthenate, the concentration of which shall contain not less than 2-percent copper metal, by repeated brushing, dipping or soaking until the wood cannot absorb more preservative.

R402.2 Concrete. Concrete shall have a minimum specified compressive strength of f'_c , as shown in Table R402.2. Concrete in Jamaica is not subject to moderate or severe weathering as indicated in Table R301.2(1) and therefore values for these types weathering shall be ignored in Table R402.2. The maximum weight of fly ash, other pozzolans, silica fume, slag or blended cements that is included in concrete mixtures for garage floor slabs and for exterior porches, carport slabs and steps that will be exposed to chemicals shall not exceed the percentages of the total weight of cementitious materials specified in Section 19.3.3.4 of ACI 318. Materials used to produce concrete and testing thereof shall comply with the applicable standards listed in Chapters 19 and 20 of ACI 318 or ACI 332.

R402.2.1 Materials for concrete. Materials for concrete shall comply with the requirements of Section R608.5.1.

R402.3 Precast concrete. Precast concrete foundations shall be designed in accordance with Section R404.5 and shall be installed in accordance with the provisions of this code and the manufacturer's instructions.

R402.3.1 Precast concrete foundation materials. Materials used to produce precast concrete foundations shall meet the following requirements.

1. All concrete used in the manufacture of precast concrete foundations shall have a minimum compressive strength of 34,470 kPa (5,000 psi) at 28 days.
2. Structural reinforcing steel shall meet the requirements of ASTM A615, A706 or A996. The minimum yield strength of reinforcing steel shall be 275 MPa (40,000 psi) (Grade 40). Steel reinforcement for pre-cast concrete foundation walls shall have a minimum concrete cover of 19 mm ($\frac{3}{4}$ inch).
3. Panel-to-panel connections shall be made with Grade II steel fasteners.
4. The use of nonstructural fibers shall conform to ASTM C1116.
5. Grout used for bedding precast foundations placed on concrete footings shall meet ASTM C1107.

R402.4 Masonry. Masonry systems shall be designed and installed in accordance with this chapter and shall have a minimum specified compressive strength of 10.3 MPa (1,500 psi).

SECTION R403 FOOTINGS

R403.1 General. All exterior walls shall be supported directly on continuous steel reinforced concrete footings or on solid concrete or fully grouted steel reinforced masonry stem walls which sit on the steel reinforced concrete footings see Figures R403.1.3 drawings 3 and 4. Exterior walls may also be supported directly on steel reinforced mass concrete slabs with turn-down footings, see Figure R403.1.3 drawings 1 and 2 or other *approved* structural systems that shall be of sufficient design to accommodate all loads according to Section R301 and to transmit the resulting loads to the soil within the limitations as determined from the character of the soil. Footings shall be supported on undisturbed natural soils or engineered fill. All subgrade areas of footing excavation shall be covered with 0.15 mm (0.0059 inch) thick polyethylene sheeting prior to the placement of steel reinforcement bars and concrete to prevent moisture ingress through walls and ground slabs into the building. The polyethylene damp proofing sheet shall have laps of 150 mm (6 inches) minimum at joints. Concrete footing shall be designed and constructed in accordance with the provisions of Section R403 or in accordance with ACI 332. Typical dimensions and load bearing capacity for footings in seismic design category D₀, D₁ and D₂ are in accordance with Table R403.1(3).

**TABLE R402.2
MINIMUM SPECIFIED COMPRESSIVE STRENGTH OF CONCRETE**

TYPE OR LOCATION OF CONCRETE CONSTRUCTION	MINIMUM SPECIFIED COMPRESSIVE STRENGTH ^a (<i>f'</i>)		
	Weathering Potential ^b		
	Negligible	Moderate	Severe
Basement walls, foundations and other concrete not exposed to the weather	17,237.5	17,237.5	17,237.5 ^c
Basement slabs and interior slabs on grade, except garage floor slabs	17,237.5	17,237.5	17,237.5 ^c
Basement walls, foundation walls, exterior walls and other vertical concrete work exposed to the weather	17,237.5	20,685 ^d	20,685 ^d
Porches, carport slabs and steps exposed to the weather, and garage floor slabs	17,237.5	20,685 ^{d, e, f}	24,132.5 ^{d, e, f}

- a. For Inch Pound Units: 1 kPa = 0.145 pound per square inchStrength at 28 days kPa (psi).
- b. See Table R301.2(1) for weathering potential.
- c. Concrete shall be air-entrained. Total air content (percent by volume of concrete) shall be not less than 5 percent or more than 7 percent.
- d. See Section R402.2 for maximum cementitious materials content.
- e. For garage floors with a steel-troweled finish, reduction of the total air content (percent by volume of concrete) to not less than 3 percent is permitted if the specified compressive strength of the concrete is increased to not less than 27,580 kPa (4,000 psi).

R403.1.1 Minimum size. The minimum width, W , and thickness, T , for concrete footings shall be in accordance with Tables R403.1(1) through R403.1(3) and Figure R403.1(1) or R403.1.3, as applicable for the local Seismic Design Category. Therefore, all sections of this code applicable to Seismic Design Categories D_0 , D_1 and D_2 shall be mandatory for Jamaica. The footing width shall be based on the load-bearing value of the soil in accordance with Table R401.4.1. Footing projections, P , shall be not less than 51 mm (2 inches) and shall not exceed the thickness of the footing. Footing thickness and projection for fireplaces shall be in accordance with Section R1001.2. The size of footings supporting piers and columns shall be based on the tributary load and allowable soil pressure in accordance with Table R401.4.1. Footings for precast foundations shall be in accordance with the details set forth in Section R403.4, Table R403.4, and Figures R403.4(1) and R403.4(2).

R403.1.2 Continuous footing in Seismic Design Categories D_0 , D_1 and D_2 . Exterior walls of buildings located in Seismic Design Categories D_0 , D_1 and D_2 shall be supported by continuous solid or fully grouted masonry or concrete footings. Other footing materials or systems shall be designed in accordance with accepted engineering practice. Required interior *braced wall panels* in buildings located in Seismic Design Categories D_0 , D_1 and D_2 with plan dimensions greater than 15,240 mm (50 feet) shall be supported by continuous solid or fully grouted masonry or concrete footings in accordance with Section R403.1.3.4, except for two-story buildings in Seismic Design Category D_2 , in which all *braced wall panels*, interior and exterior, shall be supported on continuous foundations.

Exception: Two-story buildings shall be permitted to have interior *braced wall panels* supported on continuous foundations at intervals not exceeding 15,240 mm (50 feet) provided that:

1. The height of cripple walls does not exceed 1,220 mm (4 feet).
2. First-floor braced wall panels are supported on doubled floor joists, continuous blocking or floor beams.
3. The distance between bracing lines does not exceed twice the building width measured parallel to the braced wall line.

R403.1.3 Footing and stem wall reinforcing in Seismic Design Categories D_0 , D_1 , and D_2 . Concrete footings located in Seismic Design Categories D_0 , D_1 and D_2 , as established in Table R301.2(1), shall have minimum reinforcement in accordance with this section and Figure R403.1.3. Reinforcement shall be installed with support and cover in accordance with Section R403.1.3.5.

R403.1.3.1 Concrete stem walls with concrete footings. In Seismic Design Categories D_0 , D_1 and D_2 where

(4 feet) on center. The vertical bar shall have a standard hook and extend to the bottom of the footing and shall have support and cover as specified in Section R403.1.3.5.3 and extend not less than 357 mm (14 inches) into the stem wall. Standard hooks shall comply with Section R608.5.4.5. Not fewer than one No. 4 horizontal bar shall be installed within 305 mm (12 inches) of the top of the stem wall and one No. 4 horizontal bar shall be located 76 mm to 100 mm (3 to 4 inches) from the bottom of the footing.

R403.1.3.2 Masonry stem walls with concrete footings. In Seismic Design Categories D_0 , D_1 and D_2 where a masonry stem wall is supported on a concrete footing, not fewer than one 12 mm diameter (No. 4) vertical bar shall be installed at not more than 400 mm (16 inches) on center. Vertical reinforcement bars at 400 mm (16 inches) on center shall extend from the middle horizontal reinforcement bar in the footing to the top of the stem wall and shall have support and cover as specified in Section R403.1.3.5.3 and extend not less than 357 mm (14 inches) into the stem wall. Standard hooks shall comply with Section R608.5.4.5. Not fewer than one No. 4 horizontal bar shall be installed within 305 mm (12 inches) of the top of the wall and one No. 4 horizontal bar shall be located 76 mm to 102 mm (3 to 4 inches) from the bottom of the footing. Masonry stem walls shall be solid grouted.

R403.1.3.3 Slabs-on-ground with turned-down footings. In Seismic Design Categories D_0 , D_1 and D_2 , slabs-on-ground cast monolithically with turned-down footings shall have not fewer than one No. 4 bar at the top and the bottom of the footing or one No. 5 bar or two No. 4 bars in the middle third of the footing depth. Slabs-on-ground shall be reinforced with welded wire mesh 150 mm x 150 mm x 3 mm (6" x 6" x 1/8") in diameter which is located 25 mm (1 inch) from the top of the slab. Care shall be taken to maintain this mesh location during pouring of the slab. The mesh shall be tied to the ground beams where such beams exist.

Where the slab is not cast monolithically with the footing, No. 3 or larger vertical dowels with standard hooks on each end shall be installed at not more than 1,220 mm (4 feet) on center in accordance with Figure R403.1.3, Detail 2. Standard hooks shall comply with Section R608.5.4.5.

R403.1.3.4 Interior bearing and braced wall panel footings in Seismic Design Categories D_0 , D_1 and D_2 . In Seismic Design Categories D_0 , D_1 and D_2 , interior footings supporting bearing walls or *braced wall panels*, and cast monolithically with a slab on grade, shall extend to a depth of not less than 305 mm (12 inches) below the top of the slab.

R403.1.3.5 Reinforcement. Footing and stem wall reinforcement shall comply with Sections R403.1.3.5.1 through R403.1.3.5.4 and the appropriate drawings of Figure R403.1.3.

R403.1.3.5.1 Steel reinforcement. Steel reinforcement shall comply with the requirements of the Bureau of Standards

Jamaica JS 33 which needs reinforcement bars to fail gradually at the yield point instead of suddenly. 2 The Where a construction joint is created between a concrete footing and the middle of the concrete stem wall, not fewer than one 12 mm diameter (No. 4) vertical bar shall be installed at not more than 400 mm (16 inches) on center. The vertical bars shall be tied to the middle and one of the moment resistance reinforcement bars at the bottom of the footing and shall have support and cover as specified in Section

minimum yield strength of reinforcing steel shall be 384 MPa (55,000 psi) (Grade 55).

R403.1.3.5.2 Location of reinforcement in wall.

The center of vertical reinforcement in stem walls shall be located at the centerline of the wall. Horizontal and vertical reinforcement shall be located in footings and stem walls to provide the minimum cover required by Section R403.1.3.5.3.

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TABLE R403.1(1)
MINIMUM WIDTH AND THICKNESS FOR REINFORCED CONCRETE FOOTINGS FOR LIGHT-FRAME CONSTRUCTION (mm)^{a,b}
 The symbol “⊙” as used in the table means the same as the local symbol “X”.

ROOF LIVE LOAD	STORY AND TYPE OF STRUCTURE WITH LIGHT FRAME	LOAD-BEARING VALUE OF SOIL (N/m ²)					
		7.18	9.57	1.19	1.436	1.67	1.91
957.6 N/m ²	1 story—slab-on-grade	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150
	1 story—with crawl space	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150
	1 story—plus basement	457 ⊙ 150	355 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150
	2 story—slab-on-grade	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150
	2 story—with crawl space	405 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150
	2 story—plus basement	561 ⊙ 150	405 ⊙ 150	331 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150
	3 story—slab-on-grade	357 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150
	3 story—with crawl space	482 ⊙ 150	355 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150
	3 story—plus basement	635 ⊙ 205	482 ⊙ 150	381 ⊙ 150	331 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150
1436. 40 N/m ²	1 story—slab-on-grade	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150
	1 story—with crawl space	331 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150
	1 story—plus basement	482 ⊙ 150	355 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150
	2 story—slab-on-grade	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150
	2 story—with crawl space	431 ⊙ 150	331 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150
	2 story—plus basement	584 ⊙ 150	431 ⊙ 150	355 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150
	3 story—slab-on-grade	381 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150
	3 story—with crawl space	508 ⊙ 150	381 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150
	3 story—plus basement	660 ⊙ 205	508 ⊙ 150	405 ⊙ 150	331 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150
2394 N/m ²	1 story—slab-on-grade	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150
	1 story—with crawl space	405 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150
	1 story—plus basement	533 ⊙ 150	405 ⊙ 150	331 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150
	2 story—slab-on-grade	355 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150
	2 story—with crawl space	482 ⊙ 150	355 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150
	2 story—plus basement	635 ⊙ 178	482 ⊙ 150	381 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150
	3 story—slab-on-grade	431 ⊙ 150	331 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150
	3 story—with crawl space	558 ⊙ 150	431 ⊙ 150	331 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150
	3 story—plus basement	711 ⊙ 228	533 ⊙ 150	431 ⊙ 150	355 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150
3351. 61 N/m ²	1 story—slab-on-grade	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150
	1 story—with crawl space	457 ⊙ 150	331 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150
	1 story—plus basement	610 ⊙ 178	457 ⊙ 150	355 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150
	2 story—slab-on-grade	405 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150
	2 story—with crawl space	533 ⊙ 150	405 ⊙ 150	331 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150
	2 story—plus basement	685 ⊙ 228	508 ⊙ 150	405 ⊙ 150	355 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150	305 ⊙ 150

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 N/m = 0.7375 plf=, 1 N/m² = 0.0209 pound per square foot.

a. Interpolation allowed. Extrapolation is not allowed.

b. Based on 9.75 m (32-foot-wide) house with load-bearing center wall that carries half of the tributary attic, and floor framing. For every 610 mm (2 feet) of adjustment to the width of the house, add or subtract 51 mm (2 inches) of footing width and 25 mm (1 inch) of footing thickness (but not less than 150 mm (6 inches) thick).

c. The 3351 N/m² section of the above Table shall be used for Jamaica

d. Buildings of three (3) storeys cannot be done under this code, only the JBC.

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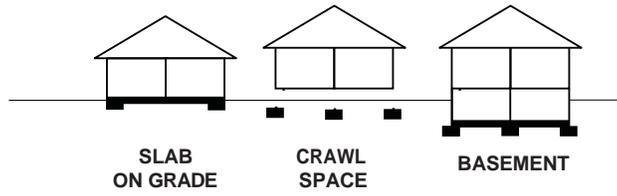
TABLE R403.1(2)
MINIMUM WIDTH AND THICKNESS FOR CONCRETE FOOTINGS FOR LIGHT-FRAME CONSTRUCTION WITH BRICK VENEER (mm)^{a,b}
 The symbol “” as used in the table is the same as the local symbol “X”.

ROOF LIVE LOAD	STORY AND TYPE OF STRUCTURE WITH BRICK VENEER	LOAD-BEARING VALUE OF SOIL (N/m)											
		7.18	9.57	1.19	1.436	1.67	1.91						
957.6 N/m ²	1 story—slab-on-grade	305 	150	305 	150	305 	150	305 	150	305 	150	305 	150
	1 story—with crawl space	381 	150	305 	150	305 	150	305 	150	305 	150	305 	150
	1 story—plus basement	533 	150	331 	150	305 	150	305 	150	305 	150	305 	150
	2 story—slab-on-grade	381 	150	305 	150	305 	150	305 	150	305 	150	305 	150
	2 story—with crawl space	508 	150	381 	150	305 	150	305 	150	305 	150	305 	150
	2 story—plus basement	660 	205	508 	150	405 	150	331 	150	305 	150	305 	150
	3 story—slab-on-grade	508 	150	381 	150	305 	150	305 	150	305 	150	305	150
	3 story—with crawl space	660	205	492	150	381	150	331	150	305	150	305	150
3 story—plus basement	812	279	610	178	482	150	405	150	355	150	305	150	
1436. 40 N/m ²	1 story—slab-on-grade	305 	150	305 	150	305 	150	305 	150	305 	150	305 	150
	1 story—with crawl space	405 	150	305 	150	305 	150	305 	150	305 	150	305 	150
	1 story—plus basement	558 	150	405 	150	331 	150	305 	150	305 	150	305 	150
	2 story—slab-on-grade	405 	150	305 	150	305 	150	305 	150	305 	150	305 	150
	2 story—with crawl space	558 	150	405 	150	331 	150	305 	150	305 	150	305 	150
	2 story—plus basement	685 	228	533 	150	405 	150	355 	150	305 	150	305 	150
	3 story—slab-on-grade	533 	150	405 	150	331 	150	305 	150	305 	150	305	150
	3 story—with crawl space	685	205	508	150	405	150	331	150	305	150	305	150
3 story—plus basement	838	279	610	178	508	150	408	150	355	150	305	150	
2394 N/m ²	1 story—slab-on-grade	331 	150	305 	150	305 	150	305 	150	305 	150	305 	150
	1 story—with crawl space	457 	150	355 	150	305 	150	305 	150	305 	150	305 	150
	1 story—plus basement	610 	178	457 	150	355 	150	305 	150	305 	150	305 	150
	2 story—slab-on-grade	457 	150	355 	150	305 	150	305 	150	305 	150	305 	150
	2 story—with crawl space	610 	178	457 	150	355 	150	305 	150	305 	150	305 	150
	2 story—plus basement	736 	255	558 	150	457 	150	381 	150	331 	150	305 	150
	3 story—slab-on-grade	685 	178	457 	150	331 	150	305 	150	305 	150	305	150
	3 story—with crawl space	736	228	558	150	431	150	355	150	305	150	305	150
3 story—plus basement	889	305	660	205	533	150	431	150	381	150	331	150	
3351 N/m ²	1 story—slab-on-grade	381 	150	305 	150	305 	150	305 	150	305 	150	305 	150
	1 story—with crawl space	508 	150	331 	150	305 	150	305 	150	305 	150	305 	150
	1 story—plus basement	660 	205	508 	150	405 	150	331 	150	305 	150	305 	150
	2 story—slab-on grade	508 	150	381 	150	305 	150	305 	150	305 	150	305 	150
	2 story—with crawl space	660 	205	482 	150	381 	150	331 	150	305 	150	305 	150
	2 story—plus basement	812 	279	610 	178	482 	150	405 	150	355 	150	305 	150

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- b. Based on 9.75 m (32-foot)-wide house with load-bearing center wall that carries half of the tributary attic, and floor framing. For every 0.6096 m (2 feet) of adjustment to the width of the house, add or subtract 51 mm (2 inches) of footing width and 25 mm (1 inch) of footing thickness (but not less than 150 mm (6 inches) thick).
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SLAB ON GRADE CRAWL SPACE BASEMENT



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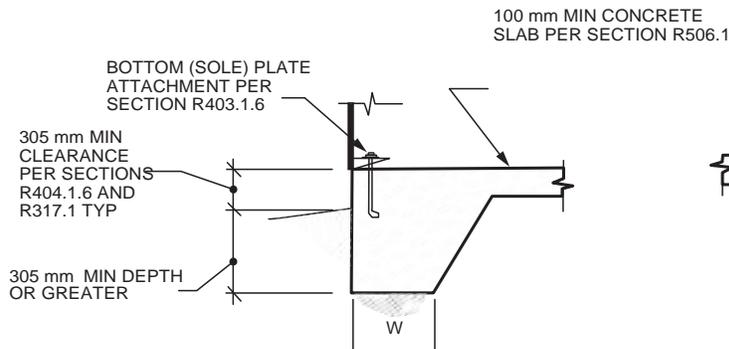
TABLE R403.1(3)
MINIMUM WIDTH AND THICKNESS FOR CONCRETE FOOTINGS
WITH CAST-IN-PLACE CONCRETE OR FULLY GROUTED MASONRY WALL CONSTRUCTION (mm)^{a, b}
 The symbol “” as used in the table is the same as the local symbol “X”.

ROOF LIVE LOAD	STORY AND TYPE OF STRUCTURE WITH CMU	LOAD-BEARING VALUE OF SOIL (N/m)					
		7.18	9.57	1.19	1.436	1.67	1.91
957.6 N/m ²	1 story—slab-on-grade	355  150	305  150	305  150	305  150	305  150	305  150
	1 story—with crawl space	482  150	355  150	305  150	305  150	305  150	305  150
	1 story—plus basement	635  205	482  150	381  150	331  150	305  150	305  150
	2 story—slab-on-grade	584  178	457  150	355  150	305  150	305  150	305  150
	2 story—with crawl space	736  228	558  150	431  150	355  150	305  150	305  150
	2 story—plus basement	889  305	660  205	533  150	431  150	381  150	331  150
	3 story—slab-on-grade	812  279	610  178	482  150	405  150	355  150	305  150
	3 story—with crawl space	965  355	711  228	584  150	482  150	405  150	355  150
	3 story—plus basement	1092 431	838 279	660 205	558 150	482 150	405 150
1436. 40 N/m ²	1 story—slab-on-grade	381  150	305  150	305  150	305  150	305  150	305  150
	1 story—with crawl space	508  150	381  150	305  150	305  150	305  150	305  150
	1 story—plus basement	660  205	508  150	405  150	331  150	305  150	305  150
	2 story—slab-on-grade	610  178	457  150	331  150	305  150	305  150	305  150
	2 story—with crawl space	762  255	558  150	457  150	381  150	331  150	305  150
	2 story—plus basement	915  331	685  205	533  150	457  150	331  150	331  150
	3 story—slab-on-grade	838  305	635  178	508  150	431  150	355  150	305  150
	3 story—with crawl space	990  355	736  228	584  178	482  150	431  150	355  150
	3 story—plus basement	1117 431	838 305	685 205	558 150	482 150	431 150
2394 N/m ²	1 story—slab-on-grade	431  150	331  150	305  150	305  150	305  150	305  150
	1 story—with crawl space	558  150	431  150	331  150	305  150	305  150	305  150
	1 story—plus basement	711  228	533  150	431  150	355  150	305  150	305  150
	2 story—slab-on-grade	685  205	508  150	405  150	331  150	305  150	305  150
	2 story—with crawl space	812  279	610  178	482  150	405  150	355  150	305  150
	2 story—plus basement	965  355	711  228	584  150	482  150	405  150	355  150
	3 story—slab-on-grade	889  331	2685  205	533  150	457  150	381  150	331  150
	3 story—with crawl space	1041 381	787 255	610 178	508 150	431 150	381 150
	3 story—plus basement	1193 457	889 305	711 228	584 178	508 150	431 150
3351 N/m ²	1 story—slab-on-grade	482  150	355  150	305  150	305  150	305  150	305  150
	1 story—with crawl space	635  178	457  150	381  150	305  150	305  150	305  150
	1 story—plus basement	762  255	584  150	457  150	331  150	331  150	305  150
	2 story—slab-on-grade	736  228	558  150	431  150	355  6	305  150	305  150
	2 story—with crawl space	863  305	660  205	533  150	431  150	381  150	331  150
	2 story—plus basement	1016 381	762 255	610 187	508 150	431 150	381 150

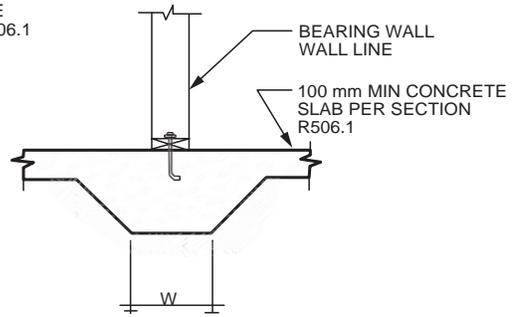
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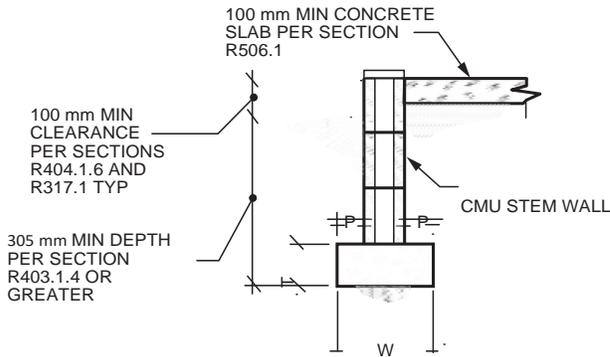
SLAB ON GRADE **CRAWL SPACE** **BASEMENT**



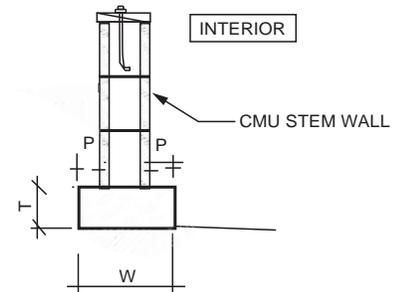
1 MONOLITHIC SLAB-ON-GROUND WITH TURNED-DOWN FOOTING
SCALE: NOT TO SCALE



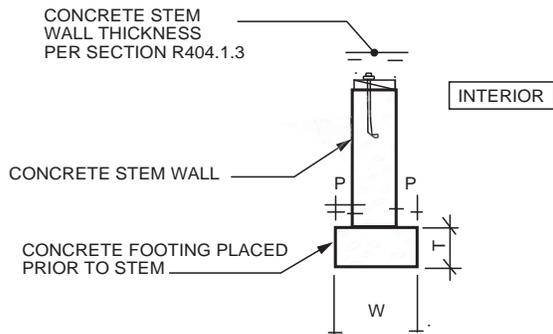
2 THICKENED SLAB-ON-GROUND FOOTING AT BEARING WALLS OR BRACED WALL LINES
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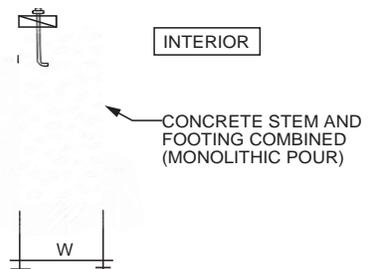
3 SLAB-ON-GROUND WITH MASONRY STEM WALL AND SPREAD FOOTING
SCALE: NOT TO SCALE



4 BASEMENT OR CRAWL SPACE WITH MASONRY WALL AND SPREAD FOOTING
SCALE: NOT TO SCALE



5 BASEMENT OR CRAWL SPACE WITH CONCRETE WALL AND SPREAD FOOTING
SCALE: NOT TO SCALE



6 BASEMENT OR CRAWL SPACE WITH FOUNDATION WALL BEARING DIRECTLY ON SOIL
SCALE: NOT TO SCALE

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch.

W = Width of footing, T = Thickness of footing and P = Projection per Section R403.1.1

NOTES:

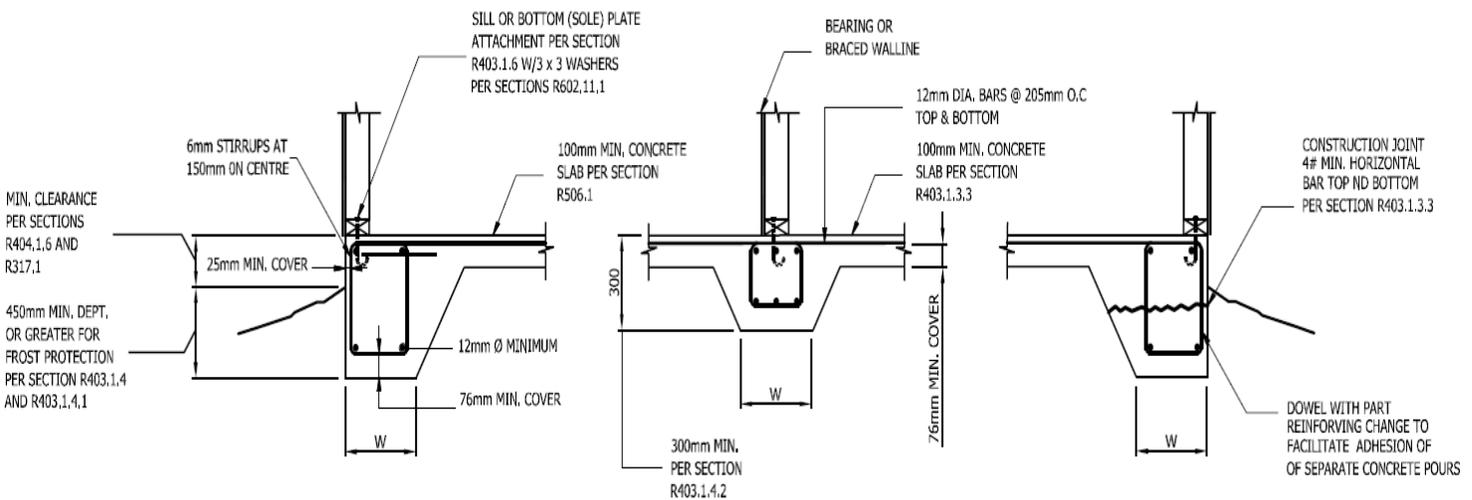
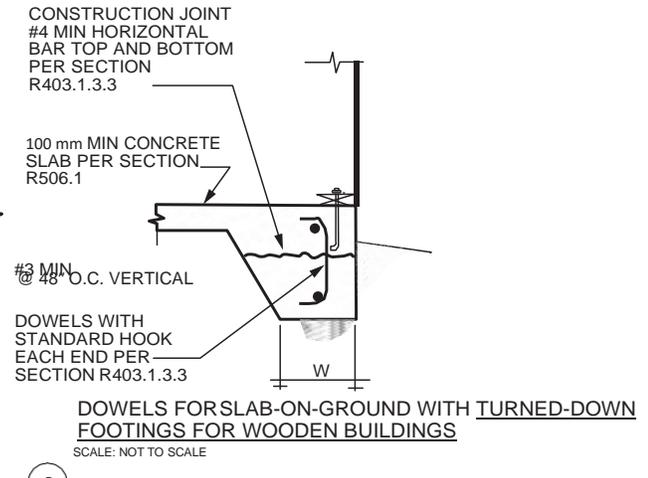
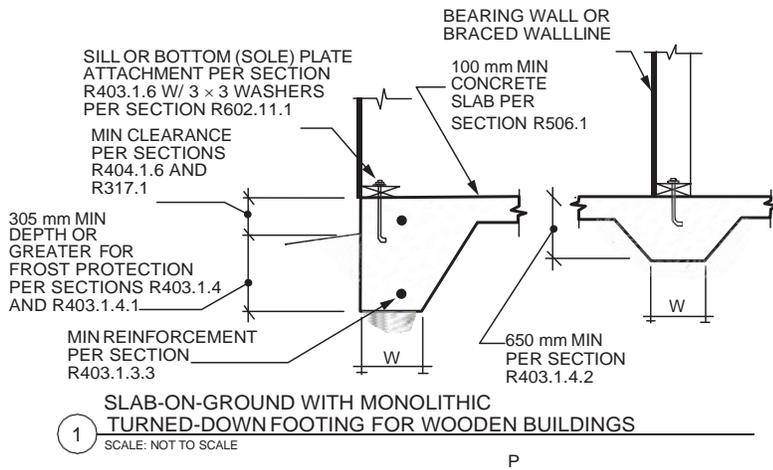
- a. See Section R404.3 for sill requirements.
- b. See Section R403.1.6 for sill attachment.
- c. See Section R506.2.3 for vapor barrier requirements.
- d. See Section R403.1 for base.
- e. See Figure R403.1.3 for additional footing requirements for structures in SDC D₀, D₁ and D₂ and townhouses in SDC C.
- f. See Section R408 for under-floor ventilation and access requirements.

FIGURE R403.1(1)

LAIN CONCRETE FOOTINGS WITH MASONRY AND CONCRETE STEM WALLS IN SDC A, B AND C^{a, b, c, d, e, f}

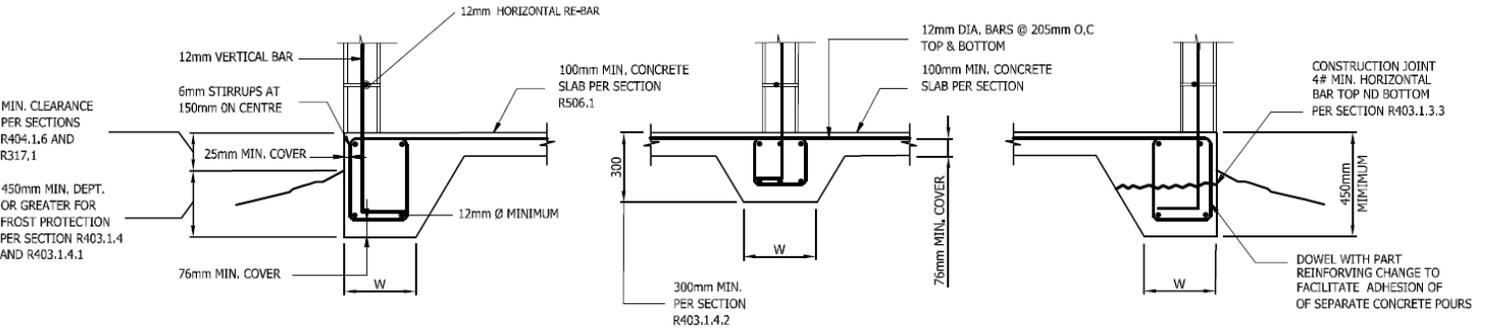
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FIGURE R403.1(3) Not Applicable



1A SLAB-ON-GROUND WITH MONOLITHIC TURNED-DOWN FOOTINGS FOR WOODEN WALLS

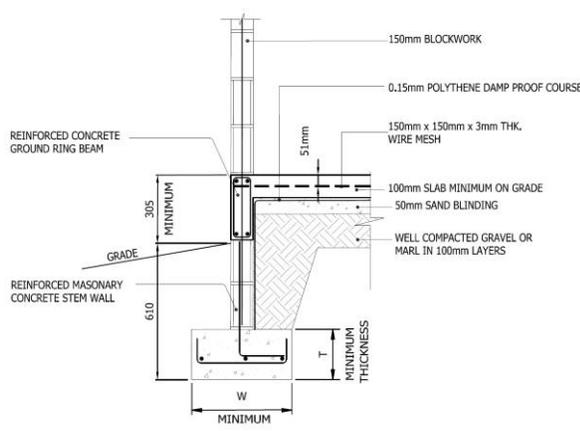
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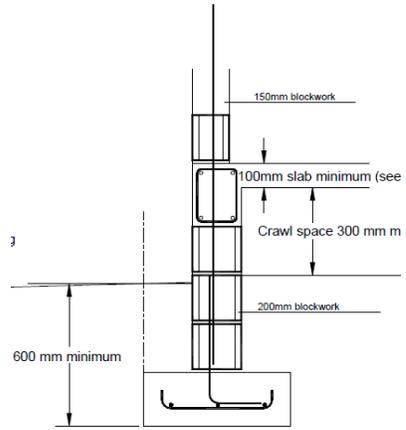
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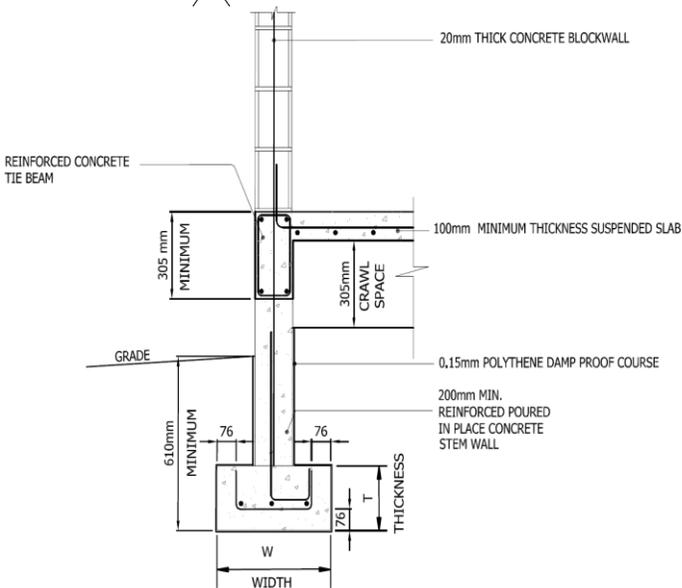
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SLAB-ON-GROUND WITH MASONRY STEM WALL

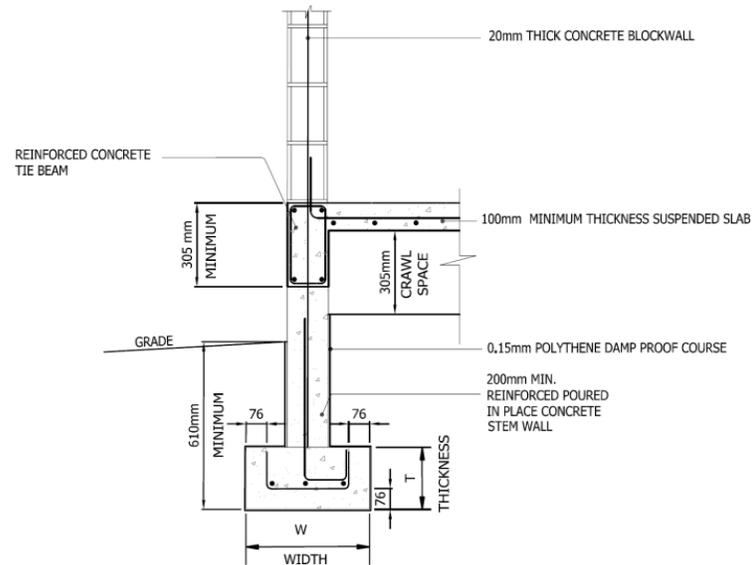


ON SPREAD FOOTING AND SUPPORTING CONCRETE OR WOODEN WALLS



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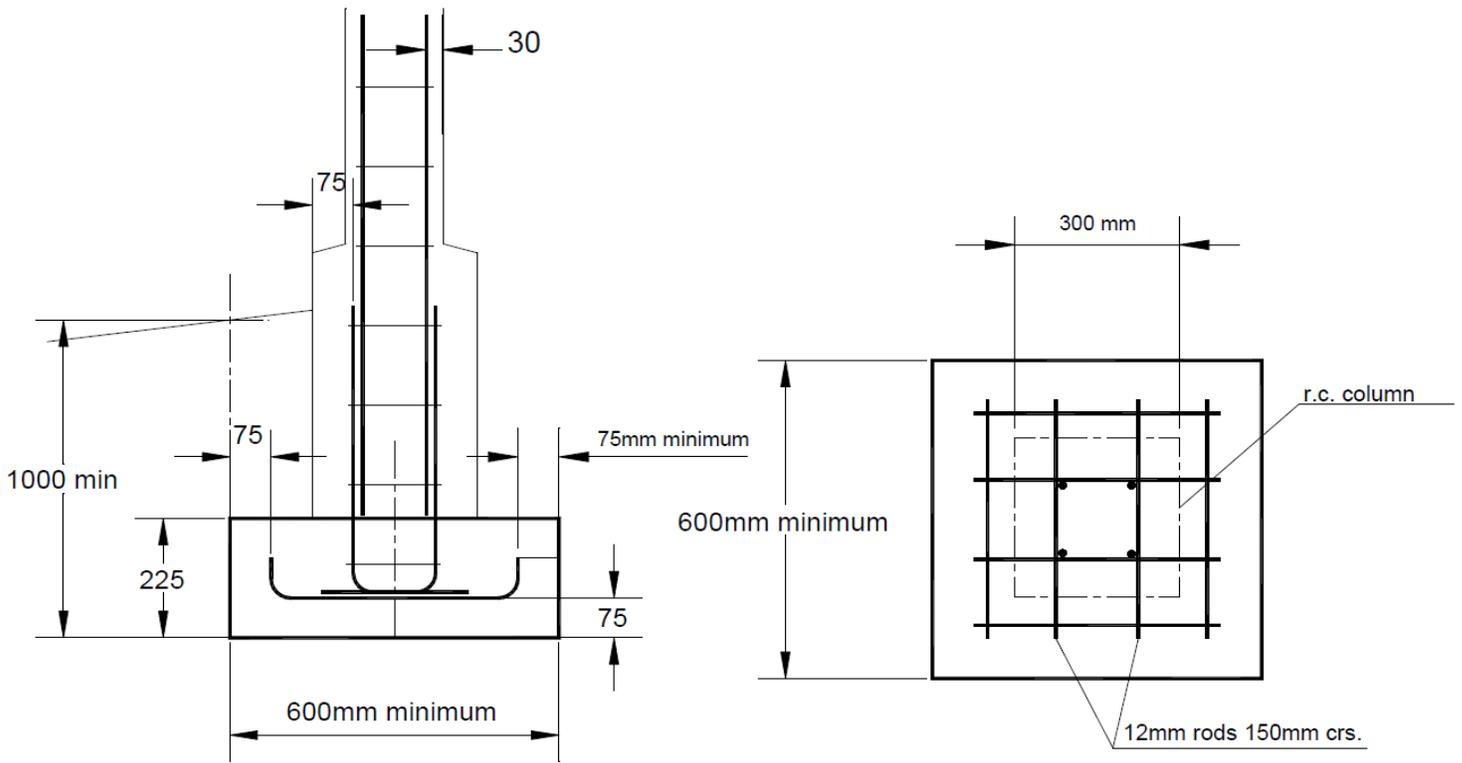
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6 BASEMENT OR CRAWL SPACE WITH MONOLITHIC CONCRETE STEM WALL AND SPREAD FOOTINGS SUPPORTING MASONRY, POURED-IN-PLACE-CONCRETE OR WOODEN WALLS.

MONOLITHIC STEM WALL

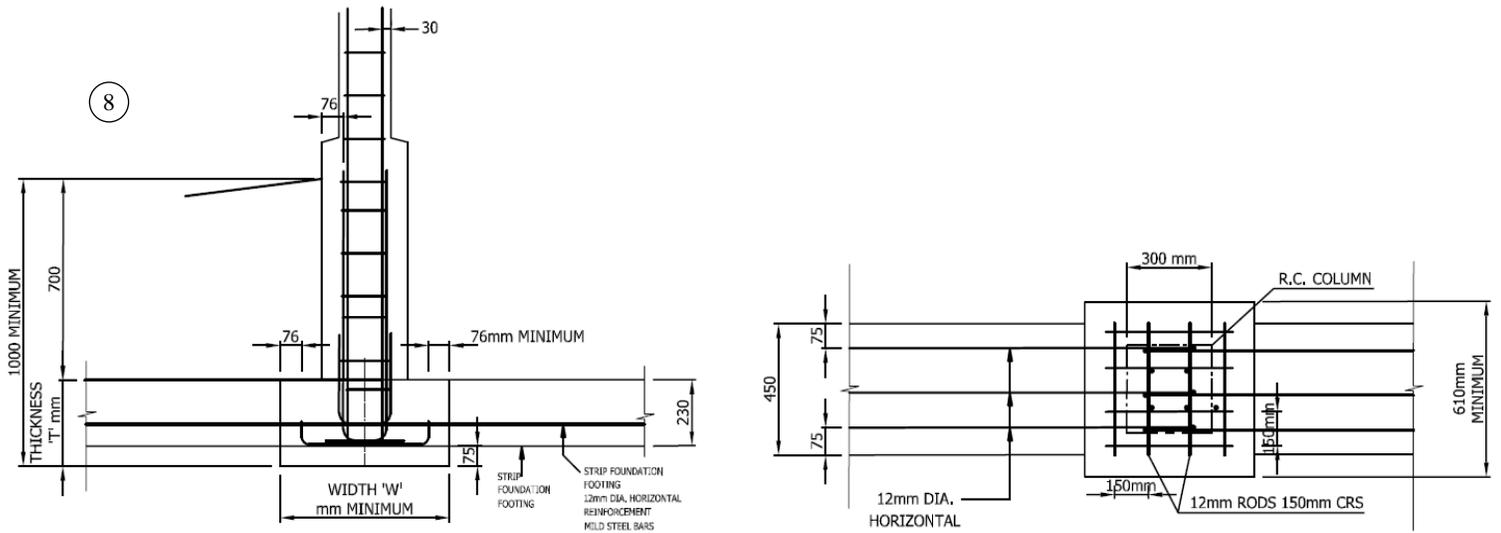
8 REINFORCEMENT FOR COLUMN AND SPREAD FOOTING IN WHICH MAY OR MAY NOT BE SUPPORTING MASONRY, PO



REINFORCEMENT FOR ISOLATED COLUMN AND SPREAD FOOTING

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REINFORCEMENT FOR ISOLATED COLUMN AND SPREAD FOOTING



REINFORCEMENT FOR COLUMN AND SPREAD FOOTING INTERLINKED WITH STRIP FOOTING FOUNDATION ON EITHER SIDE WHICH MAY OR MAY NOT BE CONCRETE OR WOODEN WALLS.

W = Width of footing, T = Thickness of footing and P = Projection per Section R403.1.1

NOTES:

- a. See Section R404.3 for sill requirements.
- b. See Section R403.1.6 for sill attachment.
- c. See Section R506.2.3 for vapor barrier requirements.
- d. See Section R403.1 for base.
- e. See Section R408 for under-floor ventilation and access requirements.
- f. See Section R403.1.3.5 for reinforcement requirements.

FIGURE R403.1.3
REINFORCED CONCRETE FOOTINGS AND MASONRY AND CONCRETE STEM WALLS IN SDC D₀, D₁ AND D₂^{a, b, c, d, e, f}

R403.1.3.5.3 Support and cover. Reinforcement shall be secured in the proper location in the forms with tie wire or other bar support system to prevent displacement during the concrete placement operation. Steel reinforcement in concrete cast against the earth shall have a minimum cover of 76 mm (3 inches).

. For concrete cast in removable forms that will not be exposed to the earth or weather, and for concrete cast in stay-in-place forms, minimum cover shall be 19 mm (³/₄ inch).

R403.1.3.5.4 Lap splices. Vertical and horizontal reinforcement shall be the longest lengths practical. Where splices are necessary in reinforcement, the length of lap splice shall be in accordance with Table R608.5.4.(1) and Figure R608.5.4(1). The maximum gap between noncontact parallel bars at a lap splice shall not exceed the smaller of one-fifth the required lap length and 150 mm (6 inches) [see Figure R608.5.4(1)].

R403.1.3.6 Isolated concrete footings. In detached one- and two-family dwellings that are three stories or less in height, isolated plain concrete footings supporting columns or pedestals are permitted. All of section R403.1.3.2.

R403.1.4 Minimum depth. Exterior footings shall be placed not less than 655 mm (25.75 inches) below the undisturbed ground surface. Where applicable, the depth of footings shall also conform to Section R403.1.4.1.

R403.1.4.1 Frost protection. Not Applicable

R403.1.5 Slope. The top surface of footings shall be level. The bottom surface of footings shall not have a slope exceeding one unit vertical in 10 units horizontal (10-percent slope). Footings shall be stepped where it is necessary to change the elevation of the top surface of the footings or where the slope of the bottom surface of the footings will exceed one unit vertical in 10 units horizontal (10-percent slope). See typical acceptable step foundation in Fig R403.1.5(1).

R403.1.6 Foundation anchorage. Wood sill plates and wood walls supported directly on continuous foundations shall be anchored to the foundation in accordance with this section.

Cold-formed steel framing for allowable internal non-loadbearing partition walls may be anchored directly to the foundation or fastened to wood sill plates in accordance with Section R505.3.1 or R603.3.1 or to concrete slab, as applicable. Wood sill plates supporting cold-formed steel framing shall be anchored to the foundation in accordance with this section.

Wood sole plates at all exterior walls on monolithic slabs, wood sole plates of *braced wall panels* at building interiors on monolithic slabs and all wood sill plates shall be anchored to the foundation with minimum 12.5 mm (¹/₂-inch-) diameter anchor bolts spaced not greater than 1,830 mm (6 feet) on center or *approved* anchors or anchor straps spaced as required to provide equivalent anchorage to 12.5 mm (¹/₂-inch-diameter) anchor bolts. Bolts shall extend not less than 180 mm (7 inches) into

concrete or grouted cells of concrete masonry units. The bolts shall be located in the middle third of the width of the plate. A nut and washer shall be tightened on each anchor bolt. There shall be not fewer than two bolts per plate section with one bolt located not more than 305 mm (12 inches) or less than seven bolt diameters from each end of the plate section. Interior bearing wall sole plates on monolithic slab foundation that are not part of a *braced wall panel* shall be positively anchored with *approved* fasteners. Sill plates and sole plates shall be protected against decay and termites where required by Sections R317 and R318. All wood anchorage are to be above ground.

Exceptions:

1. Walls 610 mm (24 inches) total length or shorter connecting offset braced wall panels shall be anchored to the foundation with not fewer than one anchor bolt located in the center third of the plate section and shall be attached to adjacent braced wall panels at corners as shown in Item 9 of Table R602.3(1).
2. Connection of walls 305 mm (12 inches) total length or shorter connecting offset *braced wall panels* to the foundation without anchor bolts shall be permitted. The wall shall be attached to adjacent braced wall panels at corners as shown in Item 9 of Table R602.3(1).

R403.1.6.1 Foundation anchorage in Seismic Design Categories C, D₀, D₁ and D₂. This section shall be used as typical for residential and small non-residential buildings of 300 m² and less. In addition to the requirements of Section R403.1.6, the following requirements shall apply to wood light-frame structures in Seismic Design Categories D₀, D₁ and D₂ and wood light-frame townhouses in Seismic Design Category C.

1. Plate washers conforming to Section R602.11.1 shall be provided for all anchor bolts over the full length of required *braced wall lines* except where *approved* anchor straps are used. Properly sized cut washers shall be permitted for anchor bolts in wall lines not containing *braced wall panels*.
2. Interior braced wall plates shall have anchor bolts spaced at not more than 1829 mm (6 feet) on center and located within 305 mm (12 inches) of the ends of each plate section where supported on a continuous foundation.
3. Interior bearing wall sole plates shall have anchor bolts spaced at not more than 1829 mm (6 feet) on center and located within 305 mm (12 inches) of the ends of each plate section where supported on a continuous foundation.
4. The maximum anchor bolt spacing shall be 1219 mm (4 feet) for buildings over two stories in height.
5. Stepped cripple walls shall conform to Section R602.11.2.

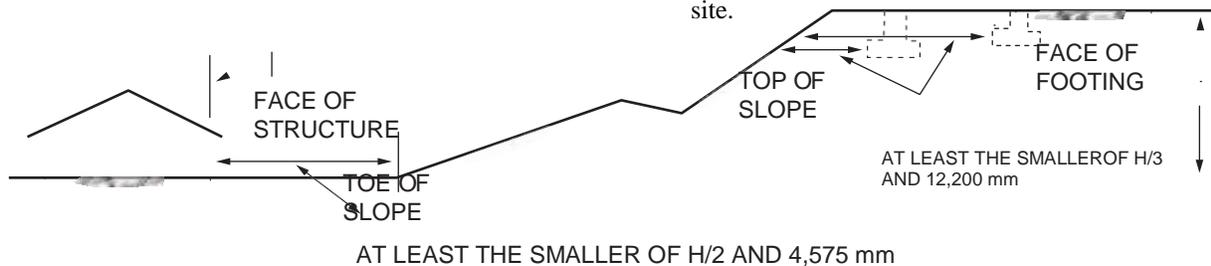
R403.1.7 Footings on or adjacent to slopes. The placement of buildings and structures on or adjacent to slopes steeper than one unit vertical in three units horizontal

(33.3-percent slope) shall conform to Sections R403.1.7.1 through R403.1.7.4.

R403.1.7.1 Building clearances from ascending slopes. In general, buildings below slopes shall be set a sufficient distance from the slope to provide protection from slope drainage, erosion and shallow failures. Except as provided in Section R403.1.7.4 and Figure R403.1.7.1, the following criteria will be assumed to provide this protection. Where the existing slope is steeper than one unit vertical in one unit horizontal (100-percent slope), the toe of the slope shall be assumed to be at the intersection of a horizontal plane drawn from the top of the foundation and a plane drawn tangent to the slope at an angle of 45 degrees (0.79 rad) to the horizontal. Where a retaining wall is constructed at the toe of the slope, the height of the slope shall be measured from the top of the wall to the top of the slope.

R403.1.7.2 Footing setback from descending slope surfaces. Footings on or adjacent to slope surfaces shall be founded in material with an embedment and setback from the slope surface sufficient to provide vertical and lateral support for the footing without detrimental settlement. Except as provided for in Section R403.1.7.4 and Figure R403.1.7.1, the following setback is deemed adequate to meet the criteria. Where the slope is steeper than one unit vertical in one unit horizontal (100-percent slope), the required setback shall be measured from an imaginary plane 45 degrees (0.79 rad) to the horizontal, projected upward from the toe of the slope.

R403.1.7.3 Foundation elevation. On graded sites, the top of any exterior foundation shall extend above the elevation of the street gutter at point of discharge or the inlet of an *approved* drainage device not less than 305 mm (12 inches) plus 2 percent. Alternate elevations are permitted subject to the approval of the *building official*, provided that it can be demonstrated that required drainage to the point of discharge and away from the structure is provided at all locations on the site.



For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.00328 foot mm.

FIGURE R403.1.7.1 FOUNDATION CLEARANCE FROM SLOPES

R403.1.7.4 Alternate setbacks and clearances. Alternate setbacks and clearances are permitted, subject to the approval of the *building official*. The *building official* is permitted to require an investigation and recommendation of a qualified engineer to demonstrate that the intent of this section has been satisfied. Such an investigation shall include consideration of material, height of slope, slope gradient, load intensity and erosion characteristics of slope material.

R403.1.8 Foundations on expansive soils. Foundation and floor slabs for buildings located on *expansive soils* shall be designed in accordance with Section 1808.6 of the *Jamaica Building Code* by a registered design building professional only.

Exception: Slab-on-ground and other foundation systems that have performed adequately in soil conditions similar to those encountered at the building site are permitted subject to the approval of the *building official*.

R403.1.8.1 Expansive soils classifications. Soils meeting all of the following provisions shall be considered to be expansive, except that tests to show compliance with Items 1, 2 and 3 shall not be required if the test prescribed in Item 4 is conducted:

1. Plasticity Index (PI) of 15 or greater, determined in accordance with ASTM D4318.
2. More than 10 percent of the soil particles pass a 75 μm (No. 200) sieve, determined in accordance with ASTM D422.
3. More than 10 percent of the soil particles are less than 5 micrometers in size, determined in accordance with ASTM D422.
4. Expansion Index greater than 20, determined in accordance with ASTM D4829.

R403.2 Footings for wood foundations. Not Applicable.

R403.3 Frost-protected shallow foundations. Not Applicable.

R403.3.1 Foundations adjoining frost-protected shallow foundations. Not Applicable

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R403.3.1.1 Attachment to unheated slab-on-ground structure. Not Applicable

R403.3.1.2 Attachment to heated structure.Not Applicable. .

R403.3.2 Protection of horizontal insulation below ground. Not Applicable.

R403.3.3 Drainage. Not Applicable. .

R403.3.4 Termite protection. Not Applicable.

R403.4 Footings for precast concrete foundations. Footings for precast concrete foundations shall comply with Section R403.4.

TABLE R403.4 Not Applicable

R403.4.1 Crushed stone footings. Not Applicable.

R403.4.2 Concrete footings. Not Applicable.

**SECTION R404
FOUNDATION AND RETAINING WALLS**

R404.1 Concrete and masonry foundation walls. Concrete foundation walls shall be selected and constructed in accordance with the provisions of Section R404.1.3. Masonry foundation walls shall be selected and constructed in accordance with the provisions of Section R404.1.2. Typical designs shall be in accordance with provisions for seismic Design categories D0, D1 & D2 (R404.1.4)

R404.1.1 Design required. Concrete or masonry foundation walls shall be designed in accordance with accepted engineering practice where either of the following conditions exists:

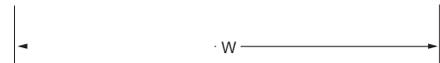
1. Walls are subject to hydrostatic pressure from ground water.

2. Walls supporting more than 1,220 mm (48 inches) of unbalanced backfill that do not have permanent lateral support at the top or bottom.

R404.1.2 Design of masonry foundation walls. Masonry foundation walls shall be designed and constructed in accordance with the provisions of this section or in accordance with the provisions of TMS 402. Where TMS 402 or the provisions of this section are used to design masonry foundation walls, project drawings, typical details and specifications are not required to bear the seal of the architect or engineer responsible for design, unless otherwise required by the state law of the jurisdiction having authority.

R404.1.2.1 Masonry foundation walls. Concrete masonry and clay masonry foundation walls shall be constructed as set forth in Table R404.1.1(1), R404.1.1(2), R404.1.1(3) or R404.1.1(4) and shall comply with applicable provisions of Section R606. In buildings assigned to Seismic Design Categories D₀, D₁ and D₂, concrete masonry and clay masonry foundation walls shall also comply with Section R404.1.4.1. Rubble stone masonry foundation walls shall be constructed in accordance with Sections R404.1.8 and R606.4.2. Rubble stone masonry walls shall not be used in Seismic Design Categories D₀, D₁ and D₂.

R404.1.3 Concrete foundation walls. Concrete foundation walls that support light-frame walls shall be designed and constructed in accordance with the provisions of this section, ACI 318, ACI 332 or PCA 100. Concrete foundation walls that support above-grade concrete walls that are



**TABLE R404.1.1(1)
PLAIN MASONRY FOUNDATION WALLS^f**

19 mm ϕ @ 1219

MAXIMUM WALL HEIGHT (mm)	MAXIMUM UNBALANCED BACKFILL HEIGHT ^c (mm)	PLAIN MASONRY ^a MINIMUM NOMINAL WALL THICKNESS (mm)		
		Soil classes ^b		
		GW, GP, SW and SP	GM, GC, SM, SM-SC and ML	SC, MH, ML-CL and inorganic CL
1524	1219	150 solid ^d or 205	150 solid ^d or 205	150 solid ^d or 205
	1524	150 solid ^d or 205	205	255
1828	1219	150 solid ^d or 205	150 solid ^d or 205	150 solid ^d or 205
	1524	150 solid ^d or 205	205	255
	1828	205	255	305
2133	1219	150 solid ^d or 205	205	205
	1524	150 solid ^d or 205	255	255
	1828	255	305	255 solid ^d
	2133	305	255 solid ^d	305 solid ^d
2438	1219	150 solid ^d or 205	150 solid ^d or 205	205
	1524	150 solid ^d or 205	255	305
	1828	255	305	305 solid ^d
	2133	305	305 solid ^d	Footnote e
	2467	10 grout ^d	305 grout ^d	Footnote e
2743	1219	150 grout ^d or 205 solid ^d or 305	150 grout ^d or 205 solid ^d	205 grout ^d or 255 solid ^d
	1524	150 grout ^d or 255 solid ^d	205 grout ^d or 305 solid ^d	205 grout ^d
	1828	150 grout ^d or 305 solid ^d	255 grout ^d	255 grout ^d
	2133	255 grout ^d	255 grout ^d	305 grout
	2467	255 grout ^d	305 grout	Footnote e
	2743	305 grout	Footnote e	Footnote e

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 kPa = 0.145 pound per square inch.

- a. Mortar shall be Type M or S and masonry shall be laid in running bond. UngROUTED hollow masonry units are permitted except where otherwise indicated.
- b. Soil classes are in accordance with the Unified Soil Classification System. Refer to Table R405.1.
- c. Unbalanced backfill height is the difference in height between the exterior finish ground level and the lower of the top of the concrete footing that supports the foundation wall or the interior finish ground level. Where an interior concrete slab-on-grade is provided and is in contact with the interior surface of the foundation wall, measurement of the unbalanced backfill height from the exterior finish ground level to the top of the interior concrete slab is permitted.
- d. Solid indicates solid masonry unit; grout indicates grouted hollow units.
- e. Wall construction shall be in accordance with either Table R404.1.1(2), Table R404.1.1(3), Table R404.1.1(4), or a design shall be provided.
- f. The use of this table shall be prohibited for soil classifications not shown.

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TABLE R404.1.1(2)
205 mm (8-INCH) MASONRY FOUNDATION WALLS WITH REINFORCING BARS WHERE $d \geq 127$ mm (5 INCHES)^{a, c, f}

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0,03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 kPa/mm = 6.369 pound per square inch per foot.

- a. Mortar shall be Type M or S and masonry shall be laid in running bond.
- b. Alternative reinforcing bar sizes and spacings having an equivalent cross-sectional area of reinforcement per lineal foot of wall shall be permitted provided the spacing of the reinforcement does not exceed 1830 mm (72 inches) in Seismic Design Categories A, B and C, and 1,220 mm (48 inches) in Seismic Design Categories D₀, D₁ and D₂.
- c. Vertical reinforcement shall be Grade 60 minimum. The distance, *d*, from the face of the soil side of the wall to the center of vertical reinforcement shall be not less than 127 mm (5 inches).
- d. Soil classes are in accordance with the Unified Soil Classification System and design lateral soil loads are for moist conditions without hydrostatic pressure. Refer to Table R405.1.
- e. Unbalanced backfill height is the difference in height between the exterior finish ground level and the lower of the top of the concrete footing that supports the foundation wall or the interior finish ground level. Where an interior concrete slab-on-grade is provided and is in contact with the interior surface of the foundation wall, measurement of the unbalanced backfill height from the exterior finish ground level to the top of the interior concrete slab is permitted.

The use of this table shall be prohibited for soil classifications not shown.

TABLE R404.1.1(3)
255 mm (10-INCH) MASONRY FOUNDATION WALLS WITH REINFORCING BARS WHERE $d \geq 171$ MM (6.75 INCHES)^{a, c, f}

WALL HEIGHT	HEIGHT OF UNBALANCED BACKFILL ^e	MINIMUM VERTICAL REINFORCEMENT BAR DIAMETER SIZE AND SPACING (mm) ^{b, c}		
		Soil classes and lateral soil load ^d (kPa/mm below grade)		
		GW, GP, SW and SP soils 4.71	GM, GC, SM, SM-SC and ML soils 7.06	SC, ML-CL and inorganic CL soils 9.42
2033 mm	1219 mm (or less)	12 mm ϕ @ 1422	12 mm ϕ @ 1422	12 mm ϕ @ 1422
	1524 mm	12 mm ϕ @ 1422	12 mm ϕ @ 1422	12 mm ϕ @ 1422
	2033 mm	12 mm ϕ @ 1422	16 mm ϕ @ 1422	12 mm ϕ @ 1422
2235 mm	1219 mm (or less)	12 mm ϕ @ 1422	12 mm ϕ @ 1422	12 mm ϕ @ 1422
	1524 mm	12 mm ϕ @ 1422	12 mm ϕ @ 1422	12 mm ϕ @ 1422
	1828 mm	12 mm ϕ @ 1422	12 mm ϕ @ 1422	16 mm ϕ @ 1422
	2235 mm	12 mm ϕ @ 1422	16 mm ϕ @ 1422	19 mm ϕ @ 1422
2438 mm	1219 mm (or less)	12 mm ϕ @ 1422	12 mm ϕ @ 1422	12 mm ϕ @ 1422
	1524 mm	12 mm ϕ @ 1422	12 mm ϕ @ 1422	12 mm ϕ @ 1422
	1828 mm	12 mm ϕ @ 1422	12 mm ϕ @ 1422	16 mm ϕ @ 1422
	2133 mm	12 mm ϕ @ 1422	16 mm ϕ @ 1422	19 mm ϕ @ 1422
	2438 mm	16 mm ϕ @ 1422	19 mm ϕ @ 1422	19 mm ϕ @ 1219
2643 mm	1219 mm (or less)	12 mm ϕ @ 1422	12 mm ϕ @ 1422	12 mm ϕ @ 1422
	1524 mm	12 mm ϕ @ 1422	12 mm ϕ @ 1422	12 mm ϕ @ 1422
	1828 mm	12 mm ϕ @ 1422	12 mm ϕ @ 1422	16 mm ϕ @ 1422
	2133 mm	12 mm ϕ @ 1422	16 mm ϕ @ 1422	19 mm ϕ @ 1422
	2643 mm	16 mm ϕ @ 1422	19 mm ϕ @ 1219	19 mm ϕ @ 812
2844 mm	1219 mm (or less)	12 mm ϕ @ 1422	12 mm ϕ @ 1422	12 mm ϕ @ 1422
	1524 mm	12 mm ϕ @ 1422	12 mm ϕ @ 1422	12 mm ϕ @ 1422
	1828 mm	12 mm ϕ @ 1422	16 mm ϕ @ 1422	16 mm ϕ @ 1422
	2133 mm	12 mm ϕ @ 1422	16 mm ϕ @ 1422	19 mm ϕ @ 1422
	2438 mm	16 mm ϕ @ 1422	19 mm ϕ @ 1422	19 mm ϕ @ 1016
	2844 mm	19 mm ϕ @ 1422	19 mm ϕ @ 1016	19 mm ϕ @ 610
3050 mm	1219 mm (or less)	12 mm ϕ @ 1422	12 mm ϕ @ 1422	12 mm ϕ @ 1422
	1524 mm	12 mm ϕ @ 1422	12 mm ϕ @ 1422	12 mm ϕ @ 1422
	1828 mm	12 mm ϕ @ 1422	16 mm ϕ @ 1422	16 mm ϕ @ 1422
	2133 mm	16 mm ϕ @ 1422	19 mm ϕ @ 1422	19 mm ϕ @ 1219
	2438 mm	16 mm ϕ @ 1422	19 mm ϕ @ 1219	19 mm ϕ @ 1016
	2743 mm	19 mm ϕ @ 1422	19 mm ϕ @ 1016	19 mm ϕ @ 610
	3050 mm	19 mm ϕ @ 1219	19 mm ϕ @ 812	19 mm ϕ @ 610

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.00328 inch, 1 mm = 0.03937 foot, 1 kPa/mm = 6.369 pound per square inch per foot.

- a. Mortar shall be Type M or S and masonry shall be laid in running bond.
- b. Alternative reinforcing bar sizes and spacings having an equivalent cross-sectional area of reinforcement per lineal foot of wall shall be permitted provided the spacing of the reinforcement does not exceed 1,830 mm (72 inches) in Seismic Design Categories A, B and C, and 1,220 mm (48 inches) in Seismic Design Categories D₀, D₁ and D₂.
- c. Vertical reinforcement shall be Grade 60 minimum. The distance, *d*, from the face of the soil side of the wall to the center of vertical reinforcement shall be not less than 171.5 mm (6.75 inches).
- d. Soil classes are in accordance with the Unified Soil Classification System and design lateral soil loads are for moist conditions without hydrostatic pressure. Refer to Table R405.1.

- e. Unbalanced backfill height is the difference in height between the exterior finish ground level and the lower of the top of the concrete footing that supports the foundation wall or the interior finish ground level. Where an interior concrete slab-on-grade is provided and is in contact with the interior surface of the foundation wall, measurement of the unbalanced backfill height from the exterior finish ground level to the top of the interior concrete slab is permitted.
- f. The use of this table shall be prohibited for soil classifications not shown.

TABLE R404.1.1(4)
305 MILLIMETRE MASONRY FOUNDATION WALLS WITH REINFORCING WHERE $d \geq 223 \text{ mm}^{a, c, f}$

WALL HEIGHT	HEIGHT OF UNBALANCED BACKFILL ^a	MINIMUM VERTICAL REINFORCEMENT BAR DIAMETER SIZE AND SPACING (mm) ^{b, c}		
		Soil classes and lateral soil load ^d (kPa/mm below grade)		
		GW, GP, SW and SP soils 4.71	GM, GC, SM, SM-SC and ML soils 7.06	SC, ML-CL and inorganic CL soils 9.42
2033 mm	1219 mm (or less)	12 mm ϕ @ 1828	12 mm ϕ @ 1828	12 mm ϕ @ 1828
	1524 mm	12 mm ϕ @ 1828	12 mm ϕ @ 1828	12 mm ϕ @ 1828
	2033 mm	12 mm ϕ @ 1828	12 mm ϕ @ 1828	16 mm ϕ @ 1828
2235 mm	1219 mm (or less)	12 mm ϕ @ 1828	12 mm ϕ @ 1828	12 mm ϕ @ 1828
	1524 mm	12 mm ϕ @ 1828	12 mm ϕ @ 1828	12 mm ϕ @ 1828
	1828 mm	12 mm ϕ @ 1828	12 mm ϕ @ 1828	16 mm ϕ @ 1828
	2235 mm	16 mm ϕ @ 1828	16 mm ϕ @ 1828	19 mm ϕ @ 1828
2438 mm	1219 mm (or less)	12 mm ϕ @ 1828	12 mm ϕ @ 1828	12 mm ϕ @ 1828
	1524 mm	12 mm ϕ @ 1828	12 mm ϕ @ 1828	12 mm ϕ @ 1828
	1828 mm	12 mm ϕ @ 1828	12 mm ϕ @ 1828	16 mm ϕ @ 1828
	2133 mm	12 mm ϕ @ 1828	16 mm ϕ @ 1828	19 mm ϕ @ 1828
	2438 mm	16 mm ϕ @ 1828	19 mm ϕ @ 1828	19 mm ϕ @ 2438
2643 mm	1219 mm (or less)	12 mm ϕ @ 1828	12 mm ϕ @ 1828	12 mm ϕ @ 1828
	1524 mm	12 mm ϕ @ 1828	12 mm ϕ @ 1828	12 mm ϕ @ 1828
	1828 mm	12 mm ϕ @ 1828	12 mm ϕ @ 1828	16 mm ϕ @ 1828
	2133 mm	12 mm ϕ @ 1828	16 mm ϕ @ 1828	19 mm ϕ @ 1828
	2643 mm	16 mm ϕ @ 1828	21 mm ϕ @ 1828	19 mm ϕ @ 1219
2844 mm	1219 mm (or less)	12 mm ϕ @ 1828	12 mm ϕ @ 1828	12 mm ϕ @ 1828
	1524 mm	12 mm ϕ @ 1828	12 mm ϕ @ 1828	12 mm ϕ @ 1828
	1828 mm	12 mm ϕ @ 1828	16 mm ϕ @ 1828	16 mm ϕ @ 1828
	2133 mm	12 mm ϕ @ 1828	16 mm ϕ @ 1828	19 mm ϕ @ 1828
	2438 mm	16 mm ϕ @ 1828	19 mm ϕ @ 1828	19 mm ϕ @ 1422
	2844 mm	19 mm ϕ @ 1828	19 mm ϕ @ 1219	19 mm ϕ @ 1016
3050 mm	1219 mm (or less)	12 mm ϕ @ 1828	12 mm ϕ @ 1828	12 mm ϕ @ 1828
	1524 mm	12 mm ϕ @ 1828	12 mm ϕ @ 1828	12 mm ϕ @ 1828
	1828 mm	12 mm ϕ @ 1828	16 mm ϕ @ 1828	16 mm ϕ @ 1828
	2133 mm	12 mm ϕ @ 1828	19 mm ϕ @ 1828	19 mm ϕ @ 1828
	2438 mm	16 mm ϕ @ 1828	19 mm ϕ @ 1828	19 mm ϕ @ 1219
	2743 mm	19 mm ϕ @ 1828	19 mm ϕ @ 1422	19 mm ϕ @ 1016
	3050 mm	19 mm ϕ @ 2438	19 mm ϕ @ 1016	19 mm ϕ @ 812

For Inch pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 kPa/mm = 6.369 pound per square foot per foot.

- a. Mortar shall be Type M or S and masonry shall be laid in running bond.
- b. Alternative reinforcing bar sizes and spacings having an equivalent cross-sectional area of reinforcement per lineal foot of wall shall be permitted provided the spacing of the reinforcement does not exceed 1830 mm (72 inches) in Seismic Design Categories A, B and C, and 1,220 mm (48 inches) in Seismic Design Categories D₀, D₁ and D₂.
- c. Vertical reinforcement shall be Grade 60 minimum. The distance, *d*, from the face of the soil side of the wall to the center of vertical reinforcement shall be not less than 223 mm (8.75 inches).
- d. Soil classes are in accordance with the Unified Soil Classification System and design lateral soil loads are for moist conditions without hydrostatic pressure. Refer to Table R405.1.
- e. Unbalanced backfill height is the difference in height between the exterior finish ground level and the lower of the top of the concrete footing that supports the foundation wall or the interior finish ground levels. Where an interior concrete slab-on-grade is provided and in contact with the interior surface of the foundation wall, measurement of the unbalanced backfill height is permitted to be measured from the exterior finish ground level to the top of the interior concrete slab is permitted.
- f. The use of this table shall be prohibited for soil classifications not shown.

TABLE R404.1.2(1)
MINIMUM HORIZONTAL REINFORCEMENT FOR CONCRETE BASEMENT WALLS^{a, b}

MAXIMUM UNSUPPORTED HEIGHT OF BASEMENT WALL (mm)	LOCATION OF HORIZONTAL REINFORCEMENT
≤ 2,438	One 12 mm diameter (No. 4) bar within 305 mm of the top and bottom of the wall story and one 12 mm diameter (No. 4) bar at 400 mm (two block height) on centre for load bearing walls and 600 mm (three block height) on centre for nonload-bearing walls for the wall story.
> 2,438	One 12 mm diameter (No. 4) bar within 305 mm of the top and bottom of the wall story and one 12 mm diameter (No. 4) bar at 400 mm (two block height) on centre for load bearing walls and 600 mm (three block height) on centre for nonload-bearing walls for the wall story.

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 kPa = 0.145 pound per square inch .

- a. Horizontal reinforcement requirements are for reinforcing bars with a minimum yield strength of 300,000 kPa (40,000 psi) and concrete with a minimum concrete compressive strength of 17,237.5 kPa (2,500 psi).
- b. See Section R404.1.3.2 for minimum reinforcement required for foundation walls supporting above-grade concrete walls.

TABLE R404.1.2(2)
MINIMUM VERTICAL REINFORCEMENT FOR 150 mm NOMINAL FLAT CONCRETE BASEMENT WALLS^{b, c, d, e, g, h, i, j, k}

MAXIMUM UNSUPPORTED WALL HEIGHT (mm)	MAXIMUM UNBALANCED BACKFILL HEIGHT ^f (mm)	MINIMUM VERTICAL REINFORCEMENT BAR DIAMETER SIZE AND SPACING (mm) ^{b, c}		
		Soil classes and lateral soil load ^d (kPa ² /m below grade)		
		GW, GP, SW & SP soils 4.71	GM, GC, SM, SM-SC and ML 7.07	SC, ML-CL and inorganic CL 9.43
2438 mm	1219	NR	NR	NR
	1524	NR	19 mm φ @ 990	19 mm φ @ 1219
	1828	16 mm φ @ 990	19 mm φ @ 1219	19 mm φ @ 889
	2133	19 mm φ @ 1219	19 mm φ @ 864	19 mm φ @ 635
	2438	19 mm φ @ 990	19 mm φ @ 635	19 mm φ @ 457
2743 mm	1219	NR	NR	NR
	1524	NR	16 mm φ @ 940	19 mm φ @ 1219
	1828	16 mm φ @ 915	19 mm φ @ 1118	19 mm φ @ 812
	2133	19 mm φ @ 1194	19 mm φ @ 762	19 mm φ @ 559
	2438	19 mm φ @ 864	19 mm φ @ 559	19 mm φ @ 406
	2743	19 mm φ @ 686	19 mm φ @ 432	DR
3050 mm	1219	NR	NR	NR
	1524	NR	16 mm φ @ 889	19 mm φ @ 1219
	1828	19 mm φ @ 1219	19 mm φ @ 1041	19 mm φ @ 762
	2133	19 mm φ @ 1092	19 mm φ @ 711	19 mm φ @ 508
	2438	19 mm φ @ 787	19 mm φ @ 508	DR
	2743	19 mm φ @ 610	19 mm φ @ 381	DR
	3050	19 mm φ @ 482	DR	DR

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch; 1 mm = 0.00328 foot; 1 kPa²/m = 6,365 pound per square foot per foot, 1 kPa = 0.145 pound per square inch.

NR = Not Required.

DR = Design Required.

- a. Soil classes are in accordance with the Unified Soil Classification System. Refer to Table R405.1.
- b. Table values are based on reinforcing bars with a minimum yield strength of 400,000 kPa (60,000 psi) concrete with a minimum specified compressive strength of 17,237.5 kPa (2,500 psi) and vertical reinforcement being located at the centerline of the wall. See Section R404.1.3.3.7.2.
- c. Vertical reinforcement with a yield strength of less than 400,000 kPa (60,000 psi) and bars of a different size than specified in the table are permitted in accordance with Section R404.1.3.3.7.6 and Table R404.1.2(9).
- d. Deflection criterion is $L/240$, where L is the height of the basement wall in millimetres (inches).
- e. Interpolation is not permitted.
- f. Where walls will retain 1,220 mm (4 feet) or more of unbalanced backfill, they shall be laterally supported at the top and bottom before backfilling.
- g. NR indicates vertical wall reinforcement is not required, except for 150 mm (6-inch)-nominal walls formed with stay-in-place forming systems in which case vertical reinforcement shall be 12 mm (No. 4) @ 1,220 mm (48 inches) on center.
- h. See Section R404.1.3.2 for minimum reinforcement required for basement walls supporting above-grade concrete walls.
- i. See Table R608.3 for tolerance from nominal thickness permitted for flat walls.
- j. DR means design is required in accordance with the applicable building code, or in the absence of a code, in accordance with ACI 318.
- k. The use of this table shall be prohibited for soil classifications not shown.

TABLE R404.1.2(3)
MINIMUM VERTICAL REINFORCEMENT FOR 205 MILLIMETRES (8-INCH) NOMINAL FLAT CONCRETE
BASEMENT WALLS^{b, c, d, e, f, h, i, j}

MAXIMUM UNSUPPORTED WALL HEIGHT (mm)	MAXIMUM UNBALANCED BACKFILL HEIGHT ^f (mm)	MINIMUM VERTICAL REINFORCEMENT BAR DIAMETER SIZE AND SPACING (mm) ^{b, c}		
		Soil classes and lateral soil load ^d (kPa ² /m below grade)		
		GW, GP, SW & SP soils 4.71	GM, GC, SM, SM-SC and ML 7.07	SC, ML-CL and inorganic CL 9.43
2438 mm	1219	NR	NR	NR
	1524	NR	NR	NR
	1828	NR	NR	19 mm ϕ @ 940
	2133	NR	19 mm ϕ @ 915	19 mm ϕ @ 889
	2438	19 mm ϕ @ 1041	19 mm ϕ @ 889	19 mm ϕ @ 660
2743 mm	1219	NR	NR	NR
	1524	NR	NR	NR
	1828	NR	NR	19 mm ϕ @ 889
	2133	NR	19 mm ϕ @ 889	19 mm ϕ @ 812
	2438	19 mm ϕ @ 915	19 mm ϕ @ 812	19 mm ϕ @ 584
	2743	19 mm ϕ @ 889	19 mm ϕ @ 635	19 mm ϕ @ 457
3050 mm	1219	NR	NR	NR
	1524	NR	NR	NR
	1828	NR	NR	19 mm ϕ @ 889
	2133	NR	19 mm ϕ @ 889	19 mm ϕ @ 737
	2438	19 mm ϕ @ 889	19 mm ϕ @ 737	19 mm ϕ @ 533
	2743	19 mm ϕ @ 864	19 mm ϕ @ 559	19 mm ϕ @ 406
	3050	19 mm ϕ @ 686	19 mm ϕ @ 432	19 mm ϕ @ 330

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch=; 1 mm = 0,00328 foot 1 kPa²/mm = 6.365 pound per square foot per foot =, 1 kPa = 0.145 pound per square inch .

NR = Not Required.

- a. Soil classes are in accordance with the Unified Soil Classification System. Refer to Table R405.1.
- b. Table values are based on reinforcing bars with a minimum yield strength of 400,000 kPa (60,000 psi), concrete with a minimum specified compressive strength of 17,237.5 kPa (2,500 psi) and vertical reinforcement being located at the centerline of the wall. See Section R404.1.3.3.7.2.
- c. Vertical reinforcement with a yield strength of less than 400,000 kPa (60,000 psi) and bars of a different size than specified in the table are permitted in accordance with Section R404.1.3.3.7.6 and Table R404.1.2(9).
- d. NR indicates vertical reinforcement is not required.
- e. Deflection criterion is $L/240$, where L is the height of the basement wall in millimetres (inches).
- f. Interpolation is not permitted.
- g. Where walls will retain 1,220 mm (4 feet) or more of unbalanced backfill, they shall be laterally supported at the top and bottom before backfilling.
- h. See Section R404.1.3.2 for minimum reinforcement required for basement walls supporting above-grade concrete walls.
- i. See Table R608.3 for tolerance from nominal thickness permitted for flat walls.
- j. The use of this table shall be prohibited for soil classifications not shown.

TABLE R404.1.2(4)
MINIMUM VERTICAL REINFORCEMENT FOR 255 MM (10-INCH) NOMINAL FLAT CONCRETE BASEMENT WALLS^{b, c, d, e, f, h, i, j}

MAXIMUM UNSUPPORTED WALL HEIGHT (mm)	MAXIMUM UNBALANCED BACKFILL HEIGHT ^f (mm)	MINIMUM VERTICAL REINFORCEMENT BAR DIAMETER SIZE AND SPACING (mm) ^{b, c}		
		Soil classes and lateral soil load ^d (kPa ² /m below grade)		
		GW, GP, SW & SP soils 4.71	GM, GC, SM, SM-SC and ML 7.07	SC, ML-CL and inorganic CL 9.43
2438 mm	1219	NR	NR	NR
	1524	NR	NR	NR
	1828	NR	NR	NR
	2133	NR	NR	NR
	2438	19 mm ϕ @ 1219	19 mm ϕ @ 889	19 mm ϕ @ 711
2743 mm	1219	NR	NR	NR
	1524	NR	NR	NR
	1828	NR	NR	NR
	2133	NR	NR	19 mm ϕ @ 787
	2438	NR	19 mm ϕ @ 787	19 mm ϕ @ 711
	2743	19 mm ϕ @ 939	19 mm ϕ @ 711	19 mm ϕ @ 610
3050 mm	1219	NR	NR	NR
	1524	NR	NR	NR
	1828	NR	NR	NR
	2133	NR	NR	19 mm ϕ @ 711
	2438	NR	19 mm ϕ @ 711	19 mm ϕ @ 711
	2743	19 mm ϕ @ 838	19 mm ϕ @ 711	19 mm ϕ @ 533
	3050	19 mm ϕ @ 711	19 mm ϕ @ 584	19 mm ϕ @ 431

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch=; 1 mm = 0.00328 foot ; 1 kPa²/m= 6.365 pound per square foot per foot, 1 kPa = 0.145 pound per square inch.

NR = Not Required.

- a. Soil classes are in accordance with the Unified Soil Classification System. Refer to Table R405.1.
- b. Table values are based on reinforcing bars with a minimum yield strength of 400,000 kPa (60,000 psi) concrete with a minimum specified compressive strength of 17,237.5 (2,500 psi) and vertical reinforcement being located at the centerline of the wall. See Section R404.1.3.3.7.2.
- c. Vertical reinforcement with a yield strength of less than 400,000 kPa (60,000 psi) and bars of a different size than specified in the table are permitted in accordance with Section R404.1.3.3.7.6 and Table R404.1.2(9).
- d. NR indicates vertical reinforcement is not required.
- e. Deflection criterion is $L/240$, where L is the height of the basement wall in millimetres (inches).
- f. Interpolation is not permitted.
- g. Where walls will retain 1,220 mm (4 feet) or more of unbalanced backfill, they shall be laterally supported at the top and bottom before backfilling.
- h. See Section R404.1.3.2 for minimum reinforcement required for basement walls supporting above-grade concrete walls.
- i. See Table R608.3 for tolerance from nominal thickness permitted for flat walls.
- j. The use of this table shall be prohibited for soil classifications not shown.

TABLE R404.1.2(5)
MINIMUM VERTICAL WALL REINFORCEMENT FOR 150 MM (6-INCH) WAFFLE-GRID BASEMENT WALLS^{b, c, d, e, g, h, i, j}

MAXIMUM UNSUPPORTED WALL HEIGHT (mm)	MAXIMUM UNBALANCED BACKFILL HEIGHT ^f (mm)	MINIMUM VERTICAL REINFORCEMENT BAR DIAMETER SIZE AND SPACING (mm) ^{b, c}		
		Soil classes ^a and lateral soil load ^d (kPa ² /m below grade)		
		GW, GP, SW & SP soils 4.71	GM, GC, SM, SM-SC and ML 7.07	SC, ML-CL and inorganic CL 9.43
2438 mm	1219	12 mm ϕ @ 1219	12 mm ϕ @ 1168	19 mm ϕ @ 990
	1524	12 mm ϕ @ 1143	16 mm ϕ @ 1168	19 mm ϕ @ 1193
	1828	16 mm ϕ @ 1143	19 mm ϕ @ 1016	DR
	2133	19 mm ϕ @ 1117	DR	DR
	2438	19 mm ϕ @ 812	DR	DR
2743 mm	1219	12 mm ϕ @ 1219	12 mm ϕ @ 1168	12 mm ϕ @ 939
	1524	12 mm ϕ @ 1066	16 mm ϕ @ 1092	19 mm ϕ @ 1117
	1828	16 mm ϕ @ 1041	19 mm ϕ @ 939	DR
	2133	19 mm ϕ @ 990	DR	DR
	2438	DR	DR	DR
3050 mm	1219	12 mm ϕ @ 1219	12 mm ϕ @ 1146	12 mm ϕ @ 889
	1524	12 mm ϕ @ 1016	16 mm ϕ @ 1016	19 mm ϕ @ 1041
	1828	16 mm ϕ @ 965	19 mm ϕ @ 863	DR
	2133	19 mm ϕ @ 915	DR	DR
	2438	DR	DR	DR

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0,03937 inch=; 1 mm = 0.00328 foot=; 1 kPa²/m = 6.365 pound per square foot per foot, 1 kPa = 0.145 pound per square inch=.

DR = Design Required.

- a. Soil classes are in accordance with the Unified Soil Classification System. Refer to Table R405.1.
- b. Table values are based on reinforcing bars with a minimum yield strength of 400,000 kPa (60,000 psi) concrete with a minimum specified compressive strength of 17,237.5 kPa (2,500 psi) and vertical reinforcement being located at the centerline of the wall. See Section R404.1.3.3.7.2.
- c. Maximum spacings shown are the values calculated for the specified bar size. Where the bar used is Grade 60 and the size specified in the table, the actual spacing in the wall shall not exceed a whole-number multiple of 305 mm (12 inches) (610, 915, 1,220 and 1,525 millimetres {12, 24, 36 and 48 inches}) that is less than or equal to the tabulated spacing. Vertical reinforcement with a yield strength of less than 400,000 kPa (60,000 psi) and bars of a different size than specified in the table are permitted in accordance with Section R404.1.3.3.7.6 and Table R404.1.2(9).
- d. Deflection criterion is $L/240$, where L is the height of the basement wall in millimetres (inches).
- e. Interpolation is not permitted.
- f. Where walls will retain 1,220 mm (4 feet) or more of unbalanced backfill, they shall be laterally supported at the top and bottom before backfilling.
- g. See Section R404.1.3.2 for minimum reinforcement required for basement walls supporting above-grade concrete walls.
- h. See Table R608.3 for thicknesses and dimensions of waffle-grid walls.
- i. DR means design is required in accordance with the applicable building code, or in the absence of a code, in accordance with ACI 318.
- j. The use of this table shall be prohibited for soil classifications not shown.

TABLE R404.1.2(6)
MINIMUM VERTICAL REINFORCEMENT FOR 205 MM (8-INCH) WAFFLE-GRID BASEMENT WALLS^{b, c, d, e, f, h, i, j, k}

MAXIMUM UNSUPPORTED WALL HEIGHT (mm)	MAXIMUM UNBALANCED BACKFILL HEIGHT ^f (mm)	MINIMUM VERTICAL REINFORCEMENT BAR DIAMETER SIZE AND SPACING (mm) ^{b, c}		
		Soil classes and lateral soil load ^d (kPa ² /m below grade)		
		GW, GP, SW & SP soils 4.71	GM, GC, SM, SM-SC and ML 7.07	SC, ML-CL and inorganic CL 9.43
2438 mm	1219	NR	NR	NR
	1524	NR	16 mm ϕ @ 1219	16 mm ϕ @ 1168
	1828	16 mm ϕ @ 1219	16 mm ϕ @ 1092	19 mm ϕ @ 1143
	2133	16 mm ϕ @ 1168	19 mm ϕ @ 1092	19 mm ϕ @ 787
	2438	19 mm ϕ @ 1219	19 mm ϕ @ 812	19 mm ϕ @ 584
2743 mm	1219	NR	NR	NR
	1524	NR	16 mm ϕ @ 1193	16 mm ϕ @ 1168
	1828	16 mm ϕ @ 1168	16 mm ϕ @ 990	19 mm ϕ @ 1041
	2133	16 mm ϕ @ 1066	19 mm ϕ @ 965	19 mm ϕ @ 711
	2438	19 mm ϕ @ 1117	19 mm ϕ @ 711	19 mm ϕ @ 810
	2743	19 mm ϕ @ 863	19 mm ϕ @ 533	DR
3050 mm	1219	NR	NR	NR
	1524	NR	16 mm ϕ @ 1168	16 mm ϕ @ 1117
	1828	16 mm ϕ @ 1168	16 mm ϕ @ 939	19 mm ϕ @ 965
	2133	16 mm ϕ @ 965	19 mm ϕ @ 889	19 mm ϕ @ 635
	2438	19 mm ϕ @ 990	19 mm ϕ @ 635	DR
	2743	19 mm ϕ @ 760	DR	DR
	3050	19 mm ϕ @ 610	DR	DR

or Inch Pound units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch; 1 mm = 0.00328 foot; 1 kPa²/m = 6.365 pound per square foot per foot, 1 kPa= 0.145 pound per square inch.

NR = Not Required.

DR = Design Required.

- a. Soil classes are in accordance with the Unified Soil Classification System. Refer to Table R405.1.
- b. Table values are based on reinforcing bars with a minimum yield strength of 400,000 kPa (60,000 psi), concrete with a minimum specified compressive strength of 17237.5 kPa (2,500 psi) and vertical reinforcement being located at the centerline of the wall. See Section R404.1.3.3.7.2.
- c. Maximum spacings shown are the values calculated for the specified bar size. Where the bar used is Grade 60 (420 MPa) and the size specified in the table, the actual spacing in the wall shall not exceed a whole-number multiple of 305 mm (12 inches) (610, 915, 1,220 and 1,525 millimetres {12, 24, 36 and 48 inches}) that is less than or equal to the tabulated spacing. Vertical reinforcement with a yield strength of less than 400,000 kPa (60,000 psi) and bars of a different size than specified in the table are permitted in accordance with Section R404.1.3.3.7.6 and Table R404.1.2(9).
- d. NR indicates vertical reinforcement is not required.
- e. Deflection criterion is $L/240$, where L is the height of the basement wall in millimetres (inches).
- f. Interpolation shall not be permitted.
- g. Where walls will retain 1,220 mm (4 feet) or more of unbalanced backfill, they shall be laterally supported at the top and bottom before backfilling.
- h. See Section R404.1.3.2 for minimum reinforcement required for basement walls supporting above-grade concrete walls.
- i. See Table R608.3 for thicknesses and dimensions of waffle-grid walls.
- j. DR means design is required in accordance with the applicable building code, or in the absence of a code, in accordance with ACI318.
- k. The use of this table shall be prohibited for soil classifications not shown.

TABLE R404.1.2(7)
MINIMUM VERTICAL REINFORCEMENT FOR 150 mm (6-INCH) SCREEN-GRID BASEMENT MASONRY WALLS^{b, c, d, e, g, h, i, j}

MAXIMUM UNSUPPORTED WALL HEIGHT (mm)	MAXIMUM UNBALANCED BACKFILL HEIGHT ^f (mm)	MINIMUM VERTICAL REINFORCEMENT BAR DIAMETER SIZE AND SPACING (mm) ^{b, c}		
		Soil classes and lateral soil load ^d (kPa ² /m below grade)		
		GW, GP, SW & SP soils 4.71	GM, GC, SM, SM-SC and ML 7.07	SC, ML-CL and inorganic CL 9.43
2438 mm	1219	12 mm ϕ @ 1219	19 mm ϕ @ 1219	16 mm ϕ @ 1092
	1524	12 mm ϕ @ 1219	16 mm ϕ @ 1219	16 mm ϕ @ 939
	1828	16 mm ϕ @ 1219	19 mm ϕ @ 1143	19 mm ϕ @ 812
	2133	19 mm ϕ @ 1219	DR	DR
	2438	19 mm ϕ @ 915	DR	DR
2743 mm	1219	12 mm ϕ @ 1219	12 mm ϕ @ 1219	12 mm ϕ @ 1041
	1524	12 mm ϕ @ 1219	16 mm ϕ @ 1219	19 mm ϕ @ 1219
	1828	16 mm ϕ @ 1143	19 mm ϕ @ 1041	DR
	2133	19 mm ϕ @ 1092	DR	DR
	> 2438	DR	DR	DR
3050 mm	1219	12 mm ϕ @ 1219	12 mm ϕ @ 1219	12 mm ϕ @ 990
	1524	12 mm ϕ @ 1117	16 mm ϕ @ 1117	19 mm ϕ @ 1168
	1828	16 mm ϕ @ 1066	19 mm ϕ @ 965	DR
	2133	19 mm ϕ @ 1016	DR	DR
	> 2438	DR	DR	DR

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch; 1 mm = 0.00328 foot=; 1 kPa²/m = 6.365 pound per square foot per foot, 1 kPa = 0.145 pound per square inch=.

DR = Design Required.

- Soil classes are in accordance with the Unified Soil Classification System. Refer to Table R405.1.
- Table values are based on reinforcing bars with a minimum yield strength of 400,000 kPa (60,000 psi), concrete with a minimum specified compressive strength of 17,237.5 kPa (2,500 psi) and vertical reinforcement being located at the centerline of the wall. See Section R404.1.3.3.7.2.
- Maximum spacings shown are the values calculated for the specified bar size. Where the bar used is Grade 60 and the size specified in the table, the actual spacing in the wall shall not exceed a whole-number multiple of 305 mm (12 inches) (610, 915, 1,220 and 1,525 millimetres { 12, 24, 36 and 48 inches}) that is less than or equal to the tabulated spacing. Vertical reinforcement with a yield strength of less than 400,000 kPa (60,000 psi) and bars of a different size than specified in the table are permitted in accordance with Section R404.1.3.3.7.6 and Table R404.1.2(9).
- Deflection criterion is $L/240$, where L is the height of the basement wall in millimetres (inches).
- Interpolation is not permitted.
- Where walls will retain 1,220 mm (4 feet) or more of unbalanced backfill, they shall be laterally supported at the top and bottom before backfilling.
- See Sections R404.1.3.2 for minimum reinforcement required for basement walls supporting above-grade concrete walls.
- See Table R608.3 for thicknesses and dimensions of screen-grid walls.
- DR means design is required in accordance with the applicable building code, or in the absence of a code, in accordance with ACI318.
- The use of this table shall be prohibited for soil classifications not shown.

TABLE R404.1.2(8) CONCRETE WALLS^{b, c, d, e, f, h, i, k, n, o}

MAXIMUM WALL HEIGHT (mm)	MAXIMUM UNBALANCED BACKFILL HEIGHT ⁹ (mm)	MINIMUM VERTICAL REINFORCEMENT-BAR DIAMETER SIZE AND SPACING (mm)											
		Soil classes ^a and design lateral soil (kPa ² /m of depth)											
		GW, GP, SW, SP 4.71				GM, GC, SM, SM-SC and ML 7.07				SC, ML-CL and inorganic CL 9.43			
		Minimum nominal wall thickness (mm)											
		150	205	255	305	150	205	255	305	150	205	255	305
1524	1219	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR
	1524	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR
1828	1219	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR
	1524	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR ¹	NR	NR	NR	12 @ 889	NR ¹	NR
	1828	NR	NR	NR	NR	16 @ 1219	NR	NR	NR	NR	16 @ 915	NR	NR
2133	1219	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR
	1524	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	16 @ 1193	NR	NR
	1828	NR	NR	NR	NR	16 @ 1066	NR	NR	NR	NR	19 @ 1092	16 @ 1219	NR ¹
	2133	16 @ 1168	NR	NR	NR	19 @ 1066	16 @ 1168	NR ¹	NR	NR	19 @ 863	19 @ 1219	NR
2438	2438	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR
	1524	NR	NR	NR	NR	12 @ 965	NR ¹	NR	NR	NR	16 @ 1092	NR	NR
	1824	12 @ 939	NR ¹	NR	NR	16 @ 939	NR	NR	NR	NR	19 @ 939	16 @ 1092	NR ¹
	2133	16 @ 1016	NR	NR	NR	19 @ 939	16 @ 1041	NR ¹	NR	NR	19 @ 863	19 @ 1092	NR
	2438	19 @ 1092	16 @ 1193	NR ¹	NR	19 @ 863	19 @ 1092	NR	NR	NR	19 @ 685	19 @ 812	19 @ 1117
2743	1824	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR
	1524	NR	NR	NR	NR	12 @ 889	NR ¹	NR	NR	NR	16 @ 1016	NR	NR
	1828	12 @ 863	NR ¹	NR	NR	19 @ 1219	NR	NR	NR	NR	19 @ 915	19 @ 990	NR ¹
	2133	16 @ 915	NR	NR	NR	19 @ 863	16 @ 939	NR	NR	NR	19 @ 838	19 @ 965	16 @ 939
	2438	19 @ 965	16 @ 1041	NR ¹	NR	19 @ 838	19 @ 965	16 @ 939	NR ¹	NR	19 @ 610	19 @ 736	19 @ 990
	2743	19 @ 865	19 @ 1168	NR	NR	19 @ 660	19 @ 762	19 @ 1041	NR	NR	19 @ 482	19 @ 584	19 @ 762
3050	1219	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR
	1524	NR	NR	NR	NR	12 @ 838	NR ¹	NR	NR	NR	16 @ 965	NR	NR
	18828	16 @ 1219	NR ¹	NR	NR	19 @ 1143	NR	NR	NR	NR	19 @ 863	16 @ 939	NR
	2133	19 @ 1193	NR	NR	NR	19 @ 863	19 @ 1219	NR	NR	NR	19 @ 762	19 @ 889	19 @ 1219
	2438	19 @ 863	16 @ 965	NR	NR	19 @ 762	19 @ 863	19 @ 1193	NR ¹	NR	19 @ 558	16 @ 660	19 @ 889
	2743	19 @ 863	19 @ 1041	12 @ 1219	NR ¹	19 @ 584	19 @ 685	19 @ 889	12 @ 1219	DR	19 @ 558	19 @ 685	19 @ 863
	3050	19 @ 711	19 @ 838	19 @ 1143	NR	DR ¹	19 @ 584	19 @ 736	16 @ 965	DR	19 @ 558	19 @ 558	19 @ 711

For Inch Pound Units : 1 mm = 0.03937 inch = ; 1 mm = 0.00328 foot ; 1 kPa²/m = 6.365 pound per square foot per foot 1 kPa = 0.145 pound per square inch =.

NR = Not Required.

DR = Design Required.

- Soil classes are in accordance with the Unified Soil Classification System. Refer to Table R405.1.
- Table values are based on reinforcing bars with a minimum yield strength of 400,000 kPa (60,000 psi).
- Vertical reinforcement with a yield strength of less than 400,000 kPa (60,000 psi) and bars of a different size than specified in the table are permitted in accordance with Section R404.1.3.3.7.6 and Table R404.1.2(9).
- NR indicates vertical wall reinforcement is not required, except for 150 mm (6-inch) nominal walls formed with stay-in-place forming systems in which case vertical reinforcement shall be No. 12 mm ϕ @ 1,220 mm (4@48 inches) on center.
- Allowable deflection criterion is $L/240$, where L is the unsupported height of the basement wall in millimetres (inches).
- Interpolation is not permitted.
- Where walls will retain 1,220 mm (4 feet) or more of unbalanced backfill, they shall be laterally supported at the top and bottom before backfilling.
- Vertical reinforcement shall be located to provide a cover of 32 mm ($1\frac{1}{4}$ inches) measured from the inside face of the wall. The center of the steel shall not vary from the specified location by more than the greater of 10 percent of the wall thickness or 9.55 mm ($\frac{3}{8}$ inch).
- Concrete cover for reinforcement measured from the inside face of the wall shall be not less than 19 mm ($\frac{3}{4}$ inch). Concrete cover for reinforcement measured from the outside face of the wall shall be not less than 38 mm ($1\frac{1}{2}$ inches) for 16 mm diameter (No. 5) bars and smaller, and not less than 51 mm (2 inches) for larger bars.
- DR means design is required in accordance with the applicable building code, or in the absence of a code, in accordance with ACI 318.
- Concrete shall have a specified compressive strength, f'_c , of not less than 17,237.5 kPa (2,500 psi) at 28 days, unless a higher strength is required by Footnote l or m.
- The minimum thickness is permitted to be reduced 51 mm (2 inches), provided that the minimum specified compressive strength of concrete, f'_c , is 27,580 kPa (4,000 psi).
- A plain concrete wall with a minimum nominal thickness of 305 mm (12 inches) is permitted, provided that the minimum specified compressive strength of

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concrete,

f'_{cs} is 24,132.5 kPa (3,500 psi).

- n. See Table R608.3 for tolerance from nominal thickness permitted for flat walls.

The use of this table shall be prohibited for soil classifications not shown.

TABLE R404.1.2(9)
MINIMUM SPACING FOR ALTERNATE REINFORCEMENT BAR DIAMETER SIZE AND ALTERNATE GRADE OF STEEL^{a, b, c}

BAR SPACING FROM APPLICABLE TABLE IN SECTION R404.1.3.2 (mm)	REINFORCEMENT BAR DIAMETER SIZE FROM APPLICABLE TABLE IN SECTION R404.1.3.2														
	12 mm					16 mm					19 mm				
	Alternate bar size and alternate grade of steel desired														
	Grade 400		Grade 300			Grade 400		Grade 300			Grade 400		Grade 300		
	30	19 mm	12 mm	16 mm	19 mm	12 mm	19 mm	12 mm	16 mm	19 mm	12 mm	16 mm	12 mm	16 mm	19 mm
	Maximum spacing for alternate bar size and alternate grade of steel (mm)														
205	305	457	127	205	305	127	279	76	127	205	102	150	51	102	127
228	355	508	150	228	331	150	331	102	150	228	102	150	150	102	150
255	405	558	178	255	381	150	355	102	178	228	127	178	76	127	178
279	431	610	178	279	405	178	405	127	178	255	127	205	76	127	178
305	482	660	205	305	457	205	431	127	205	279	127	205	102	150	205
331	508	746	228	331	482	205	457	150	228	305	150	228	102	150	228
355	558	787	228	355	533	228	508	150	228	331	150	255	102	178	228
381	584	838	255	405	558	255	533	150	255	355	178	279	127	178	255
405	635	889	279	431	584	255	584	178	279	331	178	279	125	205	279
431	660	939	279	457	635	279	610	178	279	405	205	305	127	205	279
457	711	1016	305	482	660	305	660	205	305	431	205	331	127	205	12
482	736	1066	331	508	711	305	685	205	331	457	228	331	150	228	331
508	787	1117	331	533	736	331	711	228	331	482	228	355	150	228	331
533	838	1168	355	558	787	355	762	228	355	508	255	381	150	255	355
558	863	1219	381	584	812	355	787	228	381	533	255	405	178	255	381
584	915	1219	381	610	863	381	838	255	381	558	255	405	178	279	381
610	939	1219	405	635	889	381	863	255	405	584	279	431	178	279	405
635	990	1219	431	660	938	405	889	279	431	610	279	457	205	305	431
660	1016	1219	431	685	965	431	939	279	431	635	305	457	205	305	431
685	1066	1219	457	711	1016	431	965	305	487	660	305	482	205	331	457
711	1092	1219	482	736	1041	457	1016	305	482	660	331	508	205	331	482
736	1143	1219	482	762	1092	482	1041	305	482	685	331	508	228	355	482
762	1193	1219	508	787	1117	482	1092	331	508	711	355	533	228	355	508
787	1219	1219	533	812	1143	508	1117	331	533	736	355	558	228	381	533
812	1219	1219	533	838	1193	533	1143	355	533	762	381	584	255	381	533
838	1219	1219	558	863	1219	533	1193	355	558	787	381	584	255	405	558
863	1219	1219	584	889	1219	558	1219	381	584	812	381	610	255	405	584
889	1219	1219	584	915	1219	584	1219	381	584	838	405	635	279	405	584
915	1219	1219	610	939	1219	584	1219	381	610	863	405	635	279	431	610
939	1219	1219	635	965	1219	610	1219	405	635	889	431	660	279	431	635
965	1219	1219	635	990	1219	635	1219	405	635	915	431	685	305	457	635
990	1219	1219	660	1016	1219	635	1219	431	660	939	457	685	305	457	660
1016	1219	1219	685	1041	1219	660	1219	431	685	965	457	711	305	482	685
1041	1219	1219	685	1066	1219	660	1219	457	685	990	482	736	305	482	685
1066	1219	1219	711	1092	1219	685	1219	457	711	1016	482	762	331	508	711
1092	1219	1219	736	1117	1219	711	1219	457	736	1041	508	762	331	508	736
1117	1219	1219	736	11433	1219	711	1219	482	736	1066	508	787	331	533	736
1143	1219	1219	762	1193	1219	736	1219	482	762	1092	508	812	355	533	762
1168	1219	1219	787	1219	1219	762	1219	508	787	1117	533	812	355	558	787
1193	1219	1219	787	1219	1219	762	1219	508	787	1117	533	838	355	558	787
1219	1219	1219	812	1219	1219	787	1219	533	812	1143	558	863	381	584	812

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- a. This table is for use with tables in Section R404.1.3.2 that specify the minimum bar size and maximum spacing of vertical wall reinforcement for foundation walls and above-grade walls. Reinforcement specified in tables in Section R404.1.3.2 is based on Grade 400 metric (Grade 60 ASTM) steel reinforcement.
- b. Bar spacing shall not exceed 1,220 mm (48 inches) on center and shall be not less than one-half the nominal wall thickness.
- c. For Grade 50 steel bars (ASTM A996, Type R), use spacing for Grade 300 (Grade 40 ASTM) bars or interpolate between Grades 300 and 400 (Grades 40 and 60 ASTM).

within the applicability limits of Section R608.2 shall be designed and constructed in accordance with the provisions of this section, ACI 318, ACI 332 or PCA 100. Concrete foundation walls that support above-grade concrete walls that are not within the applicability limits of Section R608.2 shall be designed and constructed in accordance with the provisions of ACI 318, ACI 332 or PCA 100. Where ACI 318, ACI 332, PCA 100 or the provisions of this section are used to design concrete foundation walls, project drawings, typical details and specifications are required to bear the seal of the architect or engineer or the stamp of the licensed building practitioner responsible for the design, unless otherwise required by Regulations of the National Building Act of Jamaica .

R404.1.3.1 Concrete cross section. Concrete walls constructed in accordance with this code shall comply with the shapes and minimum concrete cross-sectional dimensions required by Table R608.3. Other types of forming systems resulting in concrete walls not in compliance with this section and Table R608.3 shall be designed in accordance with ACI 318.

R404.1.3.2 Reinforcement for foundation walls. Concrete foundation walls shall be laterally supported at the top and bottom. Horizontal reinforcement shall be provided in accordance with Table R404.1.2(1). Vertical reinforcement shall be provided in accordance with Table R404.1.2(2), R404.1.2(3), R404.1.2(4), R404.1.2(5), R404.1.2(6), R404.1.2(7) or R404.1.2(8). Vertical reinforcement for flat *basement* walls retaining 1,220 mm (4 feet) or more of unbalanced backfill is permitted to be determined in accordance with Table R404.1.2(9). For *basement* walls supporting above-grade concrete walls, vertical reinforcement shall be the greater of that required by Tables R404.1.2(2) through R404.1.2(8) or by Section R608.6 for the above-grade wall. In buildings assigned to Seismic Design Category D₀, D₁ or D₂, concrete foundation walls shall also comply with Section R404.1.4.2.

R404.1.3.2.1 Concrete foundation stem walls supporting above-grade concrete walls. Foundation stem walls that support above-grade concrete walls shall be designed and constructed in accordance with this section.

1. Stem walls not laterally supported at top. Concrete stem walls that are not monolithic with slabs-on-ground or are not otherwise laterally supported by slabs-on-ground shall comply with this section. Where unbalanced backfill retained by the stem wall is less than or equal to 455 mm (18 inches), the stem wall and above-grade wall it supports shall be provided with vertical reinforcement in accordance with Section R608.6 and Table R608.6(1), R608.6(2) or R608.6(3) for above-grade walls. Where unbalanced backfill retained by the stem wall is greater than 455 mm (18 inches), the stem wall and above-grade wall it supports shall be provided with vertical reinforcement in accordance with Section R608.6 and Table

Seismic Design Category D₀, D₁ or D₂.

2. Stem walls laterally supported at top. Concrete stem walls that are monolithic with slabs-on-ground or are otherwise laterally supported by slabs-on-ground shall be vertically reinforced in accordance with Section R608.6 and Table R608.6(1), R608.6(2) or R608.6(3) for above-grade walls. Where the unbalanced backfill retained by the stem wall is greater than 455 mm (18 inches), the connection between the stem wall and the slab-on-ground, and the portion of the slab-on-ground providing lateral support for the wall shall be designed in accordance with PCA 100 or with accepted engineering practice. Where the unbalanced backfill retained by the stem wall is greater than 455 mm (18 inches), the minimum nominal thickness of the wall shall be 150 mm (6 inches).

R404.1.3.2.2 Concrete foundation stem walls supporting light-frame above-grade walls. Concrete foundation stem walls that support light-frame above-grade walls shall be designed and constructed in accordance with this section.

1. Stem walls not laterally supported at top. Concrete stem walls that are not monolithic with slabs-on-ground or are not otherwise laterally supported by slabs-on-ground and retain 1,220 mm (48 inches) or less of unbalanced fill, measured from the top of the wall, shall be constructed in accordance with Section R404.1.3. Foundation stem walls that retain more than 1,220 mm (48 inches) of unbalanced fill, measured from the top of the wall, shall be designed in accordance with Sections R404.1.4 and R404.4.
2. Stem walls laterally supported at top. Concrete stem walls that are monolithic with slabs-on-ground or are otherwise laterally supported by slabs-on-ground shall be constructed in accordance with Section R404.1.3. Where the unbalanced backfill retained by the stem wall is greater than 1,220 mm (48 inches), the connection between the stem wall and the slab-on-ground, and the portion of the slab-on-ground providing lateral support for the wall, shall be designed in accordance with PCA 100 or in accordance with accepted engineering practice.

R404.1.3.3 Concrete, materials for concrete, and forms. Materials used in concrete, the concrete itself and forms shall conform to requirements of this section or ACI 318.

R404.1.3.3.1 Compressive strength. The minimum specified compressive strength of concrete, f'_c , shall comply with Section R402.2 and shall be not less than 17.2 MPa (2,500 psi) at 28 days in buildings assigned to Seismic Design Category A, B or C and 20.5 MPa (3000 psi) in buildings assigned to

R404.1.3.3.2 Concrete mixing and delivery. Mixing and delivery of concrete shall comply with ASTM C94 or ASTM C685.

R404.1.3.3.3 Maximum aggregate size. The nominal maximum size of coarse aggregate shall not exceed one-fifth the narrowest distance between sides of forms, or three-fourths the clear spacing between reinforcing bars or between a bar and the side of the form.

Exception: Where *approved*, these limitations shall not apply where removable forms are used and workability and methods of consolidation permit concrete to be placed without honeycombs or voids.

R404.1.3.3.4 Proportioning and slump of concrete. Proportions of materials for concrete shall be established to provide workability and consistency to permit concrete to be worked readily into forms and around reinforcement under conditions of placement to be employed, without segregation or excessive bleeding. Slump of concrete placed in removable forms shall not exceed 150 mm (6 inches).

Exception: Where *approved*, the slump is permitted to exceed 150 mm (6 inches) for concrete mixtures that are resistant to segregation, and are in accordance with the form manufacturer's recommendations.

Slump of concrete placed in stay-in-place forms shall exceed 150 mm (6 inches). Slump of concrete shall be determined in accordance with ASTM C143.

R404.1.3.3.5 Consolidation of concrete. Concrete shall be consolidated by suitable means during placement and shall be worked around embedded items and reinforcement and into corners of forms/formwork. Where stay-in-place forms are used, concrete shall be consolidated by internal vibration.

Exception: Where *approved* for concrete to be placed in stay-in-place forms/formwork, self-consolidating concrete mixtures with slumps equal to or greater than 205 mm (8 inches) that are specifically designed for placement without internal vibration need not be internally vibrated.

R404.1.3.3.6 Form materials and form/formwork ties. Forms/formwork shall be made of wood, steel, aluminum, plastic, a composite of cement and foam insulation, a composite of cement and wood chips, or other *approved* material suitable for supporting and containing concrete. Forms/formwork shall provide sufficient strength to contain concrete during the concrete placement operation.

Form/formwork ties shall be steel, solid plastic, foam plastic, a composite of cement

and wood chips, a composite of cement and foam plastic, or other suitable material capable of resisting the forces created by fluid pressure of fresh concrete.

R404.1.3.3.6.1 Stay-in-place forms. Stay-in-place concrete forms shall comply with this section.

1. Surface burning characteristics. The flame-spread index and smoke-developed index of forming material, other than foam plastic, left exposed on the interior shall comply with Section R302. The surface burning characteristics of foam plastic used in insulating concrete forms shall comply with Section R316.3.
2. Interior covering. Stay-in-place forms constructed of rigid foam plastic shall be protected on the interior of the building as required by Section R316. Where gypsum board is used to protect the foam plastic, it shall be installed with a mechanical fastening system. Use of adhesives in addition to mechanical fasteners is permitted.
3. Exterior wall covering. Stay-in-place forms constructed of rigid foam plastics shall be protected from sunlight and physical damage by the application of an approved exterior wall covering complying with this code. Exterior surfaces of other stay-in-place forming systems shall be protected in accordance with this code.
4. Termite protection. In areas where the probability of termite infestation is “very heavy” as indicated by Table R301.2(1) or Figure R301.2(7), foam plastic insulation shall be permitted below grade on foundation walls in accordance with Section R318.4.
5. Flat ICF wall system forms shall conform to ASTM E2634.

R404.1.3.3.7 Reinforcement.

R404.1.3.3.7.1 Steel reinforcement. Steel reinforcement shall comply with the requirements of the Bureau of Standards Jamaica JS 33 and not ASTM A615, A706, or A996 (ASTM A996 bars produced from rail steel are Type R). In buildings assigned to Seismic Design Category A, B or C, the minimum yield strength of reinforcing steel shall be 300 MPa (40,000 psi) (Grade 300 metric [Grade 40 ASTM]). In buildings assigned to Seismic Design Category D₀, D₁ or D₂, reinforcing steel shall comply with the requirements of the Bureau of Standards Jamaica JS 33 and not the ASTM A706 for low-alloy steel. The reinforcement steel bars meeting the JS 33 standard shall have a minimum yield strength of 400 MPa (60,000 psi) (Grade 400 metric [Grade 60 ASTM]).

R404.1.3.3.7.2 Location of reinforcement in wall. The center of vertical reinforcement in *basement* walls determined from Tables R404.1.2(2) through R404.1.2(7) shall be located at the centerline of the wall. Vertical reinforcement in *basement* walls determined from Table R404.1.2(8) shall be located to provide a maximum cover of 32 mm (1¹/₄ inches)

measured from the inside face of the wall. Regardless of the table used to determine vertical wall reinforcement, the center of the steel shall not vary from the specified location by more than the greater of 10 percent of the wall thickness and 10 mm (³/₈ inch). Horizontal and vertical reinforcement shall be located in foundation walls to provide the minimum cover required by Section R404.1.3.3.7.4.

R404.1.3.3.7.3 Wall openings. Vertical wall reinforcement required by Section R404.1.3.2 that is interrupted by wall openings shall have additional vertical reinforcement of the same size placed within 305 mm (12 inches) of each side of the opening.

R404.1.3.3.7.4 Support and cover. Reinforcement shall be secured in the proper location in the forms/formwork with tie wire or other bar support system to prevent displacement during the concrete placement operation. Steel reinforcement in concrete cast against the earth shall have a minimum cover of 76 mm (3 inches) except in marine environment areas (areas affected by the salt air or salt water from the sea) where minimum cover shall be at least 95 mm (3¾ inches). Minimum cover for reinforcement in concrete cast in removable forms that will be exposed to the earth or weather shall be 38 mm (1½ inches) for No. 5 bars and smaller, and 51 mm (2 inches) for No. 6 bars and larger. For concrete cast in removable forms that will not be exposed to the earth or weather, and for concrete cast in stay-in-place forms, minimum cover shall be 19 mm (¾ inch). The minus tolerance for cover shall not exceed the smaller of one-third the required cover or 10 mm (⅜ inch).

R404.1.3.3.7.5 Lap splices. Vertical and horizontal wall reinforcement shall be the longest lengths practical. Where splices are necessary in reinforcement, the length of lap splice shall be in accordance with Table R608.5.4.(1) and Figure R608.5.4(1). The maximum gap between noncontact parallel bars at a lap splice shall not exceed the smaller of one-fifth the required lap length and 150 mm (6 inches) [See Figure R608.5.4(1)].

R404.1.3.3.7.6 Alternate grade of reinforcement and spacing. Where tables in Section R404.1.3.2 specify vertical wall reinforcement based on minimum bar size and maximum spacing, which are based on 400 MPa (60,000 p.s.i.) (Grade 400 metric [Grade 60 ASTM]) steel reinforcement, different size bars or bars made from a different grade of steel are permitted provided that an equivalent area of steel per linear foot of wall is provided. Use of Table R404.1.2(9) is permitted to determine the maximum bar spacing for different bar sizes than specified in the tables or bars made from a different grade of steel. Bars shall not be spaced less than one-half the wall thickness, or more than 1,220 mm (48 inches) on center.

R404.1.3.3.7.7 Standard hooks. Where reinforcement is required by this code to terminate with a standard hook, the hook shall comply with Section R608.5.4.5 and Figure R608.5.4(3).

R404.1.3.3.7.8 Construction joint reinforcement. Construction joints in foundation walls shall be made and located to not impair the strength of the wall. Construction joints in plain concrete walls, including walls required to have not less than No. 4 bars at 1,220 mm (48 inches) on center by Sections R404.1.3.2 and R404.1.4.2, shall be located at points of lateral support, and not fewer than one No. 4 bar shall extend across the construction joint at a spacing not to exceed 610 mm (24 inches) on center. Construction joint reinforcement shall have not less than 305 mm (12 inches) embedment on both sides of the joint. Construction joints in reinforced concrete walls shall be located in the middle third of the span between lateral supports, or located and constructed as required for joints in plain concrete walls.

Exception: Use of vertical wall reinforcement required by this code is permitted in lieu of construction joint reinforcement provided that the spacing does not exceed 610 mm (24 inches), or the combination of wall reinforcement and No. 4 bars described in this section does not exceed 610 mm (24 inches).

R404.1.3.3.8 Exterior wall coverings. Requirements for installation of masonry veneer, stucco and other wall coverings on the exterior of concrete walls and other construction details not covered in this section shall comply with the requirements of this code.

R404.1.3.4 Requirements for Seismic Design Category C. Concrete foundation walls supporting above-grade concrete walls in townhouses assigned to Seismic Design Category C shall comply with ACI 318, ACI 332 or PCA 100 (see Section R404.1.3).

R404.1.4 Seismic Design Category D₀, D₁ or D₂.

R404.1.4.1 Masonry foundation walls. In buildings assigned to Seismic Design Category D₀, D₁ or D₂, as established in Table R301.2(1), masonry foundation walls shall comply with this section. In addition to the requirements of Table R404.1.1(1), plain masonry foundation walls shall comply with the following:

1. Wall height shall not exceed 2,450 mm (8 feet).
2. Unbalanced backfill height shall not exceed 1,220 mm (4 feet).
3. Minimum nominal thickness for plain masonry foundation walls shall be 205 mm (8 inches).
4. Masonry stem walls shall have a minimum vertical reinforcement of one No. 4 (No. 13) bar located not greater than 812 mm (32 Inches) on center in grouted cells. Vertical reinforcement shall be tied to the horizontal reinforcement in the footings.
5. Horizontal bars shall not be less than 10 mm at 800 centers.

Foundation walls, supporting more than 1,220 mm (4 feet) of unbalanced backfill or exceeding 2,450 mm (8 feet) in height shall be constructed in accordance with Table R404.1.1(2), R404.1.1(3) or R404.1.1(4).

Masonry foundation walls shall have two No. 4 (No. 13) horizontal bars located in the upper 305 mm (12 inches) of the wall.

R404.1.4.2 Concrete foundation walls. In buildings assigned to Seismic Design Category D₀, D₁ or D₂, as established in Table R301.2(1), concrete foundation walls that support light-frame walls shall comply with this section, and concrete foundation walls that support above-grade concrete walls shall comply with ACI 318, ACI 332 or PCA 100 (see Section R404.1.3). In addition to the horizontal reinforcement required by Table R404.1.2(1), plain concrete walls supporting light-frame walls shall comply with the following.

1. Wall height shall not exceed 2,450 mm (8 feet).
2. Unbalanced backfill height shall not exceed 1,220 mm (4 feet).
3. Minimum thickness for plain concrete foundation walls shall be 200 mm (8 inches) except that 150 mm (6 inches) is permitted where the maximum wall height is 1372 mm (4 feet 6 inches).

Foundation walls less than 200 mm (8 inches) in thickness, supporting more than 1220 mm (4 feet) of unbalanced backfill or exceeding 2,450 mm (8 feet) in height shall be provided with horizontal reinforcement in accordance with Table R404.1.2(1) but not less than 12 mm diameter bars at 400 mm on center, and vertical reinforcement in accordance with Table R404.1.2(2), R404.1.2(3), R404.1.2(4), R404.1.2(5), R404.1.2(6), R404.1.2(7) or R404.1.2(8). Where Tables R404.1.2(2) through R404.1.2(8) permit plain concrete walls, not less than 12 mm diameter (No. 4) vertical bars at a spacing not exceeding 812 mm (32 inches) and a yield strength of 400 MPa shall be provided.

R404.1.5 Foundation wall thickness based on walls supported. The thickness of masonry or concrete foundation walls shall be not less than that required by Section R404.1.5.1 or R404.1.5.2, respectively.

R404.1.5.1 Masonry wall thickness. Masonry foundation walls shall be not less than the thickness of the wall supported, except that masonry foundation walls of not less than 205 mm (8-inch) nominal thickness shall be permitted under brick veneered frame walls and under 255 mm (10-inch-wide) cavity walls where the total height of the wall supported, including gables, is not more than 6,100 mm (20 feet), provided that the requirements of Section R404.1.1 are met.

R404.1.5.2 Concrete wall thickness. The thickness of concrete foundation walls shall be equal to or greater than the thickness of the wall in the *story* above. Concrete foundation walls with corbels, brackets or other projections built into the wall for support of masonry veneer or other purposes are not within the scope of the tables in this section.

Where a concrete foundation wall is reduced in thickness to provide a shelf for the support of masonry veneer, the reduced thickness shall be equal to or greater than the thickness of the wall in the *story* above. Vertical reinforcement for the foundation wall shall be

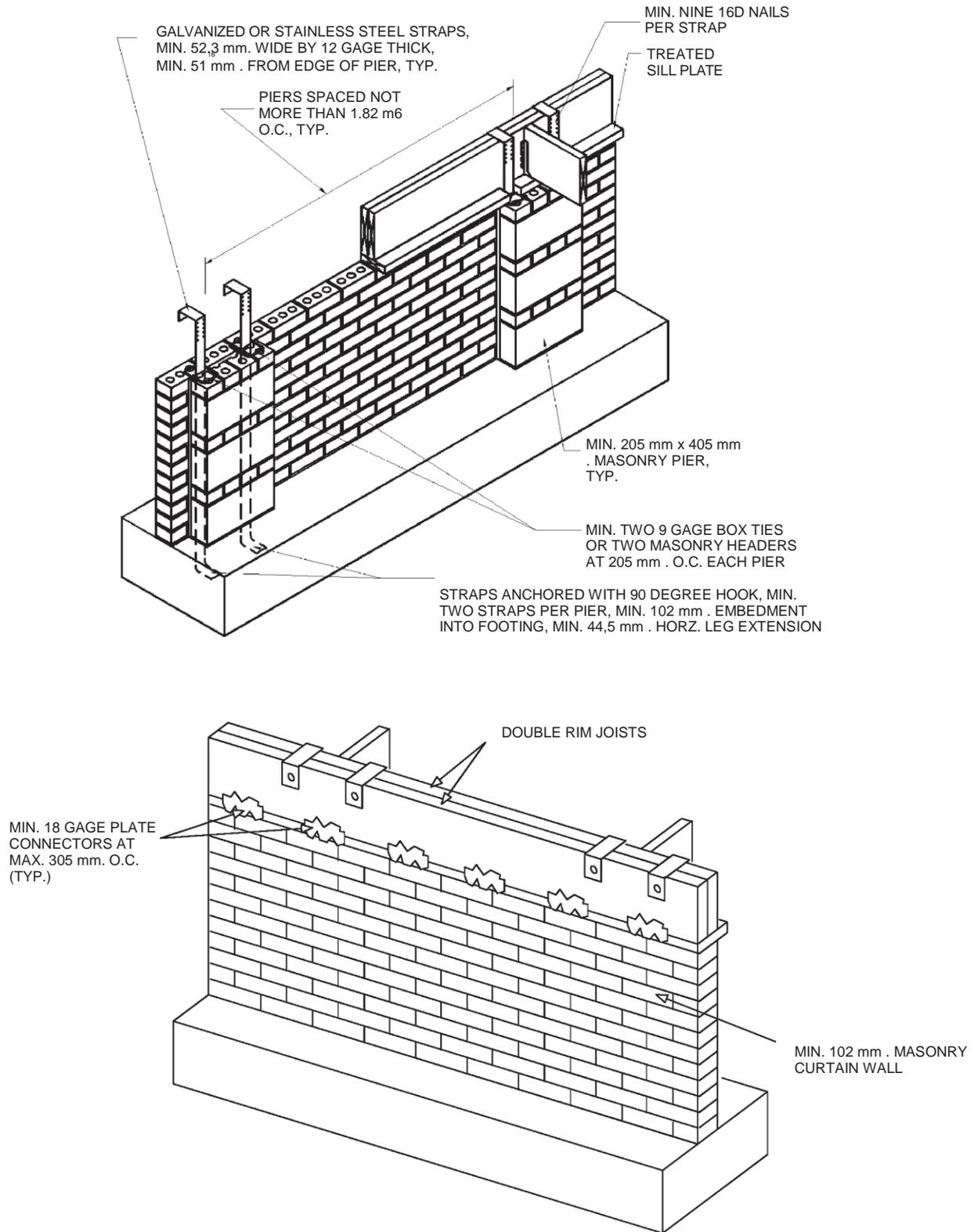
based on Table R404.1.2(8) and located in the wall as required by Section R404.1.3.3.7.2 where that table is used. Vertical reinforcement shall be based on the thickness of the thinner portion of the wall.

Exception: Where the height of the reduced thickness portion measured to the underside of the floor assembly or sill plate above is less than or equal to 610 mm (24 inches) and the reduction in thickness does not exceed 100 mm (4 inches), the vertical reinforcement is permitted to be based on the thicker portion of the wall.

R404.1.5.3 Pier and curtain wall foundations. Use of pier and curtain wall foundations shall be permitted to support light-frame construction not more than two stories in height, provided that the following requirements are met:

1. All load-bearing walls shall be placed on continuous concrete footings placed integrally with the exterior wall footings.
2. The minimum actual thickness of a load-bearing masonry wall shall be not less than 100 mm (4 inches) nominal or 86 mm (3³/₈ inches) actual thickness, and shall be bonded integrally with piers spaced in accordance with Section R606.6.4.
3. Piers shall be constructed in accordance with Sections R606.7 and R606.7.1, and shall be bonded into the load-bearing masonry wall in accordance with Section R606.13.1 or R606.13.1.1.
4. The maximum height of a 100 mm (4-inch) load-bearing masonry foundation wall supporting wood-frame walls and floors shall be not more than 1,220 mm (4 feet).
5. Anchorage shall be in accordance with Section R403.1.6, Figure R404.1.5(1), or as specified by engineered design accepted by the *building official*.
6. The unbalanced fill for 100 mm (4-inch) foundation walls shall not exceed 610 mm (24 inches) for solid masonry or 305 mm (12 inches) for hollow masonry.
7. In Seismic Design Categories D₀, D₁ and D₂, prescriptive reinforcement shall be provided in the horizontal and vertical direction. Provide minimum horizontal joint reinforcement of two No. 9 gage wires spaced not less than 150 mm (6 inches) or one 6.35 mm (1/4-inch)- diameter wire at 255 mm (10 inches) on center vertically. Provide minimum vertical reinforcement of one 12 mm diameter (No. 4) bar at 1,220 mm (48 inches) on center horizontally grouted in place.

R404.1.6 Height above finished grade. Concrete and masonry foundation walls shall extend above the finished *grade* adjacent to the foundation at all points not less than 100 mm (4 inches) where masonry veneer is used and not less than 150 mm (6 inches) elsewhere.



For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0,03937 inch =, 1 mm = 0,030328 foot =, 1 rad = 57,29 degree .

FIGURE R404.1.5(1)
FOUNDATION WALL CLAY MASONRY CURTAIN WALL WITH CONCRETE MASONRY PIERS

R404.1.7 Backfill placement. Backfill shall not be placed against the wall until the wall has sufficient strength and has been anchored to the floor above, or has been sufficiently braced to prevent damage by the backfill.

Exception: Bracing is not required for walls supporting less than 1,220 mm (4 feet) of unbalanced backfill.

R404.1.8 Rubble stone masonry. Rubble stone masonry foundation walls shall have a minimum thickness of 405 mm (16 inches), shall not support an unbalanced backfill exceeding 2,440 mm (8 feet) in height, shall not support a soil pressure greater than 4.71 kPa/m (30 pounds per square foot per foot), and shall not be constructed in Seismic Design Categories D₀, D₁, D₂ or townhouses in Seismic Design Category C, as established in Figure R301.2(2).

R404.1.9 Isolated masonry piers. Isolated masonry piers shall be constructed in accordance with this section and the general masonry construction requirements of Section R606. Hollow masonry piers shall have a minimum nominal thickness of 205 mm (8 inches), with a nominal height not exceeding four times the nominal thickness and a nominal length not exceeding three times the nominal thickness. Where hollow masonry units are solidly filled with concrete or grout, piers shall be permitted to have a nominal height not exceeding ten times the nominal thickness. Footings for isolated masonry piers shall be sized in accordance with Section R403.1.1.

R404.1.9.1 Pier cap. Hollow masonry piers shall be capped with 100 mm (4 inches) of solid masonry or concrete, a masonry cap block, or shall have cavities of the top course filled with concrete or grout. Where required, termite protection for the pier cap shall be provided in accordance with Section R318.

R404.1.9.2 Masonry piers supporting floor girders. Masonry piers supporting wood girders sized in accordance with Tables R602.7(1) and R602.7(2) shall be permitted in accordance with this section. Piers supporting girders for interior bearing walls shall have a minimum nominal dimension of 305 mm (12 inches) and a maximum height of 3,050 mm (10 feet) from top of footing to bottom of sill plate or girder. Piers supporting girders for exterior bearing walls shall have a minimum nominal dimension of 305 mm (12 inches) and a maximum height of 1,220 mm (4 feet) from top of footing to bottom of sill plate or girder. Girders and sill plates shall be anchored to the pier or footing in accordance with Section R403.1.6 or Figure R404.1.5(1). Floor girder bearing shall be in accordance with Section R502.6.

R404.1.9.3 Masonry piers supporting braced wall panels. Masonry piers supporting *braced wall panels* shall be designed in accordance with accepted engineering practice.

R404.1.9.4 Seismic design of masonry piers. Masonry piers in *dwellings* located in Seismic Design Category D₀, D₁ or D₂, and townhouses in Seismic Design Category C, shall be designed in accordance with accepted engineering practice.

R404.1.9.5 Masonry piers in flood hazard areas. Not Applicable

R404.2 Wood foundation walls. Not Applicable

R404.2.1 Identification. Not Applicable

R404.2.2 Stud size. Not Applicable

R404.2.3 Height of backfill. Not Applicable

R404.2.4 Backfilling. Not Applicable

R404.2.5 Drainage and dampproofing. Not Applicable

R404.2.6 Fastening. Not Applicable

R404.3 Wood sill plates. Wood sill plates shall be not less than 51 mm by 102 mm (2-inch by 4-inch) nominal lumber. Sill plate anchorage shall be in accordance with Sections R403.1.6 and R602.11.

R404.4 Retaining walls. Retaining walls that are not laterally supported at the top and that retain in excess of 1,220 mm (48 inches) of unbalanced fill, or retaining walls exceeding 610 mm (24 inches) in height that resist lateral loads in addition to soil, shall be designed in accordance with accepted engineering practice by *registered design building professionals* to ensure stability against overturning, sliding, excessive foundation pressure and water uplift. Retaining walls shall be designed for a safety factor of 1.5 against lateral sliding and overturning. This section shall not apply to foundation walls supporting buildings.

TABLE R404.2.3
PLYWOOD GRADE AND THICKNESS FOR WOOD FOUNDATION CONSTRUCTION (4.71 kN/m³ equivalent-fluid weight soil pressure)

HEIGHT OF FILL (mm)	STUD SPACING (mm)	FACE GRAIN ACROSS STUDS			FACE GRAIN PARALLEL TO STUDS		
		Grade ^a	Minimum thickness (mm)	Span rating	Grade ^a	Minimum thickness (mm) ^{b, c}	Span rating
610	305	B	11	32/16	A	11	32/16
					B	11 ^c	32/16
	405	B	11	32/16	A	11 ^c	32/16
					B	19/32 ^c (4, 5 ply)	40/20
915	305	B	11	32/16	A	11	32/16
					B	11 ^c (4, 5 ply)	32/16
					B	15 (4, 5 ply)	40/20
	405	B	11 ^c	32/16	A	15	40/20
					B	18	48/24
1219	305	B	11	32/16	A	11 ^c	32/16
					B	15 ^c (4, 5 ply)	40/20
	405	B	15	40/20	A	15 ^c	40/20
					A	18	48/24

For InchPound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch =, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 kN/m³ = 6.423 pound per cubic foot =.

a. Plywood shall be of the following minimum grades in accordance with DOC PS 1 or DOC PS 2:

1. DOC PS 1 Plywood grades marked:
 - 1.1. Structural I C-D (Exposure 1).
 - 1.2. C-D (Exposure 1).
2. DOC PS 2 Plywood grades marked:
 - 2.1. Structural I Sheathing (Exposure 1).
 - 2.2. Sheathing (Exposure 1).
3. Where a major portion of the wall is exposed above ground and a better appearance is desired, the following plywood grades marked exterior are suitable:
 - 3.1. Structural I A-C, Structural I B-C or Structural I C-C (Plugged) in accordance with DOC PS 1.
 - 3.2. A-C Group 1, B-C Group 1, C-C (Plugged) Group 1 or MDO Group 1 in accordance with DOC PS 1.
 - 3.3. Single Floor in accordance with DOC PS 1 or DOC PS 2.

b. Minimum thickness 11 mm (15/32 inch), except crawl space sheathing shall have not less than 9.55 mm (3/8 inch) for face grain across studs 405 mm on center and maximum 610 mm (2-foot) depth of unequal fill.

c. For this fill height, thickness and grade combination, panels that are continuous over less than three spans (across less than three stud spacings) require blocking 405 mm (16 inches) above the bottom plate. Offset adjacent blocks and fasten through studs with two 16d corrosion-resistant nails at each end.

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R404.5 Precast concrete foundation walls.

R404.5.1 Design. Precast concrete foundation walls shall be designed in accordance with accepted engineering practice. The design and manufacture of precast concrete foundation wall panels shall comply with the materials requirements of Section R402.3 or ACI 318. The panel design drawings shall be prepared by a registered design building professional as required in accordance with Section R106.1.

R404.5.2 Precast concrete foundation design drawings. Precast concrete foundation wall design drawings shall be submitted to the *building official* and *approved* prior to installation. Drawings shall include, at a minimum, the following information:

1. Design loading as applicable.
2. Footing design and material.
3. Concentrated loads and their points of application.
4. Soil bearing capacity.

5. Maximum allowable total uniform load.
6. Seismic design category.
7. Basic wind speed.

R404.5.3 Identification. Precast concrete foundation wall panels shall be identified by a certificate of inspection *label* issued by an *approved* third-party inspection agency.

SECTION R405 FOUNDATION DRAINAGE

R405.1 Concrete or masonry foundations. Drains shall be provided around concrete or masonry foundations that retain earth and enclose habitable or usable spaces located below *grade*. Drainage tiles, gravel or crushed stone drains, perforated pipe or other *approved* systems or materials shall be installed at or below the top of the footing or below the bottom of the slab and shall discharge by gravity or mechanical means into an *approved* drainage system. Gravel or crushed stone drains shall extend not less than 305 mm (1 foot) beyond the outside edge of the footing and 150 mm (6 inches) above the

top of the footing and be covered with an *approved* filter membrane material. The top of open joints of drain tiles shall be protected with strips of building paper. Except where otherwise recommended by the drain manufacturer, perforated drains shall be surrounded with an *approved* filter membrane or the filter membrane shall cover the washed gravel or crushed rock covering the drain. Drainage tiles or perforated pipe shall be placed on not less than 51 mm (2 inches) of washed gravel or crushed rock not less than one sieve size larger than the tile joint opening or perforation and covered with not less than 150 mm (6 inches) of the same material.

Exception: A drainage system is not required where the foundation is installed on well-drained ground or sand-gravel mixture soils according to the Unified Soil Classification System, Group I soils, as detailed in Table R405.1.

R405.1.1 Precast concrete foundation. Precast concrete walls that retain earth and enclose habitable or useable space located below-*grade* that rest on crushed stone footings shall have a perforated drainage pipe installed below the base of the wall on either the interior or exterior side of the wall, not less than 305 mm (1 foot) beyond the edge of the wall. If the exterior drainage pipe is used, an *approved* filter membrane material shall cover the pipe. The drainage system shall discharge into an *approved* sewer system or to daylight.

R405.2 Wood foundations.Not Applicable

R405.2.1 Base.Not Applicable

R405.2.2 Vapor retarder.Not Applicable .

R405.2.3 Drainage system.Not Applicable

TABLE R405.1
PROPERTIES OF SOILS CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO THE UNIFIED SOIL CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM

SOIL GROUP	UNIFIED SOIL CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM SYMBOL	SOIL DESCRIPTION	DRAINAGE CHARACTERISTICS ^a	FROST HEAVE POTENTIAL	VOLUME CHANGE POTENTIAL EXPANSION ^b
Group I	GW	Well-graded gravels, gravel sand mixtures, little or no fines	Good	Low	Low
	GP	Poorly graded gravels or gravel sand mixtures, little or no fines	Good	Low	Low
	SW	Well-graded sands, gravelly sands, little or no fines	Good	Low	Low
	SP	Poorly graded sands or gravelly sands, little or no fines	Good	Low	Low
	GM	Silty gravels, gravel-sand-silt mixtures	Good	Medium	Low
	SM	Silty sand, sand-silt mixtures	Good	Medium	Low
Group II	GC	Clayey gravels, gravel-sand-clay mixtures	Medium	Medium	Low
	SC	Clayey sands, sand-clay mixture	Medium	Medium	Low
	ML	Inorganic silts and very fine sands, rock flour, silty or clayey fine sands or clayey silts with slight plasticity	Medium	High	Low
	CL	Inorganic clays of low to medium plasticity, gravelly clays, sandy clays, silty clays, lean clays	Medium	Medium	Medium to Low
Group III	CH	Inorganic clays of high plasticity, fat clays	Poor	Medium	High
	MH	Inorganic silts, micaceous or diatomaceous fine sandy or silty soils, elastic silts	Poor	High	High
Group IV	OL	Organic silts and organic silty clays of low plasticity	Poor	Medium	Medium
	OH	Organic clays of medium to high plasticity, organic silts	Unsatisfactory	Medium	High
	Pt	Peat and other highly organic soils	Unsatisfactory	Medium	High

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch.

- The percolation rate for good drainage is over 100 mm (4 inches) per hour, medium drainage is 51 mm (2 inches) to 100 mm (4 inches) per hour, and poor is less than 51 mm (2 inches) per hour.
- Soils with a low potential expansion typically have a plasticity index (PI) of 0 to 15, soils with a medium potential expansion have a PI of 10 to 35 and soils with a high potential expansion have a PI greater than 20.

SECTION R406 FOUNDATION WATERPROOFING AND DAMPPOOFING

R406.1 Concrete and masonry foundation dampproofing.

Except where required by Section R406.2 to be waterproofed, foundation walls that retain earth and enclose interior spaces and floors below *grade* shall be dampproofed from the higher of (a) the top of the footing or (b) 150 mm (6 inches) below the top of the basement floor, to the finished grade. Masonry walls shall have not less than 9.5 mm (³/₈-inch) Portland cement

Rendering applied to the exterior of the wall. The rendering shall be

dampproofed in accordance with one of the following:

- Bituminous coating.
- 1.63 kg/m² (three pounds per square yard) of acrylic modified cement.
- 3.2 mm (one-eighth-inch) coat of surface-bonding cement complying with ASTM C887.
- Any material permitted for waterproofing in Section R406.2.
- Other *approved* methods or materials.

Exception: Rendering of unit masonry walls is not required where a material is approved for direct

application to the masonry.

Concrete walls shall be dampproofed by applying any one of the listed dampproofing materials or any one of the waterproofing materials listed in Section R406.2 to the exterior of the wall.

R406.2 Concrete and masonry foundation waterproofing.

In areas where a high water table or other severe soil-water conditions are known to exist, exterior foundation walls that retain earth and enclose interior spaces and floors below *grade* shall be waterproofed from the higher of (a) the top of the footing or (b) 150 mm (6 inches) below the top of the basement floor, to the finished *grade*. Walls shall be waterproofed in accordance with one of the following:

- Two-ply hot-mopped felts.
- 25 kg (fifty-five-pound) roll roofing.
- 0.15 mm (six-mil) polyvinyl chloride.
- 0.15 mm (six-mil) polyethylene.
- 1 mm (forty-mil) polymer-modified asphalt.
- 1.5 mm (sixty-mil) flexible polymer cement.
- 3 mm (one-eighth-inch) cement-based, fiber-reinforced, waterproof coating.
- 1.5 mm (sixty-mil) solvent-free liquid-applied synthetic

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rubber.

All joints in membrane waterproofing shall be lapped and sealed with an adhesive compatible with the membrane.

Exception: Organic-solvent-based products such as hydrocarbons, chlorinated hydrocarbons, ketones and esters shall not be used for ICF walls with expanded polystyrene form material. Use of plastic roofing cements, acrylic coatings, latex coatings, mortars and rendering parings to seal ICF walls is permitted. Cold-setting asphalt or hot asphalt shall

conform to Type C of ASTM D449. Hot asphalt shall be applied at a temperature of less than 93 °C 200°F .

R406.3 Dampproofing for wood foundations. Not Applicable

R406.3.1 Panel joint sealed. Not Applicable

R406.3.2 Below-grade moisture barrier. Not Applicable

R406.3.3 Porous fill. Not Applicable

R406.3.4 Backfill. Not Applicable

R406.4 Precast concrete foundation system dampproofing. Except where required by Section R406.2 to be waterproofed, precast concrete foundation walls enclosing habitable or useable spaces located below *grade* shall be dampproofed in accordance with Section R406.1.

R406.4.1 Panel joints sealed. Precast concrete foundation panel joints shall be sealed full height with a sealant meeting ASTM C920, Type S or M, *Grade NS*, Class 25, Use NT, M or A. Joint sealant shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

SECTION R407 COLUMNS

R407.1 Wood column protection. Wood columns shall be protected against decay as set forth in Section R317.

R407.2 Steel column protection. All surfaces (inside and outside) of steel columns shall be given a shop coat of rust-

inhibitive paint, except for corrosion-resistant steel and steel treated with coatings to provide corrosion resistance.

R407.3 Structural requirements. The columns shall be restrained to prevent lateral displacement at the bottom end. Wood columns shall be not less in nominal size than 100 mm by 100 mm (4 inches by 4 inches). Steel columns shall be not less than 76 mm (3-inch-diameter) Schedule 40 pipe manufactured in accordance with ASTM A53 Grade B or *approved* equivalent.

Exception: In Seismic Design Categories A, B and C, columns not more than 1,220 mm (48 inches) in height on a pier or footing are exempt from the bottom end lateral displacement requirement within under-floor areas enclosed by a continuous foundation.

SECTION R408 UNDER-FLOOR SPACE

R408.1 Ventilation. The under-floor space between the bottom of the floor joists and the earth under any building (except space occupied by a *basement*) shall have ventilation openings through foundation walls or exterior walls. The minimum net area of ventilation openings shall be not less than 0.0929 m² (1 square foot) for each 14 m² (150 square feet) of under-floor space area, unless the ground surface is covered by a Class 1 vapor retarder material. Where a Class 1 vapor retarder material is used, the minimum net area of ventilation openings shall be not less than 0.0929 m² (1 square foot) for each 140 m² (1,500 square feet) of under-floor space area. One such ventilating opening shall be within 915 mm (3 feet) of each corner of the building.

R408.2 Openings for under-floor ventilation. The minimum net area of ventilation openings shall be not less than 0.0929 m² (1 square foot) for each 14 m² (150 square feet) of under-floor area. One ventilation opening shall be within 915 mm (3 feet) of each corner of the building. Ventilation openings shall be covered for their height and width with any of the following materials provided that the least dimension of the covering shall not exceed 6.35 mm (¹/₄ inch):

1. Perforated sheet metal plates not less than 1.8 mm (0.070 inch) thick.
2. Expanded sheet metal plates not less than 1.2 mm (0.047 inch) thick.
3. Cast-iron grill or grating.
4. Extruded load-bearing brick vents.
5. Hardware cloth of 0.89 mm (0.035 inch) wire or heavier.
6. Corrosion-resistant wire mesh, with the least dimension being 3.2 mm (¹/₈ inch) thick.

Exception: The total area of ventilation openings shall be permitted to be reduced to ¹/_{1,500} of the under-floor area where the ground surface is covered with an *approved* Class I vapor retarder material and the required openings are placed to provide cross ventilation of the space. The installation of operable louvers shall not be prohibited.

R408.3 Unvented crawl space. Ventilation openings in under-floor spaces specified in Sections R408.1 and R408.2 shall not be required where the following items are provided:

1. Exposed earth is covered with a continuous Class I vapor retarder. Joints of the vapor retarder shall overlap by 150 mm (6 inches) and shall be sealed or taped. The edges of the vapor retarder shall extend not less than 150 mm (6 inches) up the stem wall and shall be attached and sealed to the stem wall or insulation.
2. One of the following is provided for the under-floor space:
 - 2.1. Continuously operated mechanical exhaust ventilation at a rate equal to 0.47 L/s (1 cubic foot per minute) for each 4.7 m² (50 square feet) of *crawl space* floor area, including an air pathway to the common area (such as a duct or transfer grille), and perimeter walls insulated in accordance with Section N1102.2.11 of this code.
 - 2.2. *Conditioned air* supply sized to deliver at a rate equal to 0.47 L/s (1 cubic foot per minute) for each 4.7 m² (50 square feet) of under-floor area, including a return air pathway to the common area (such as a duct or transfer grille), and perimeter walls insulated in accordance with Section N1102.2.11 of this code.
 - 2.3. Plenum in existing structures complying with Section M1601.5, if under-floor space is used as a plenum.
 - 2.4. Dehumidification sized to provide 70 pints (33 liters) of moisture removal per day for every 93 m² (1,000 square feet) of *crawl space* floor area.

R408.4 Access. Access shall be provided to all under-floor spaces. Access openings through the floor shall be not smaller than 457 mm by 610 mm (18 inches by 24 inches). Openings through a perimeter wall shall be not less than 405 mm by 610 mm (16 inches by 24 inches). Where any portion of the through-wall access is below *grade*, an areaway not less than 405 mm by 610 mm (16 inches by 24 inches) shall be provided. The bottom of the areaway shall be below the threshold of the access opening. Through wall access openings shall not be located under a door to the residence. See Section M1305.1.4 for access requirements where mechanical *equipment* is located under floors.

R408.5 Removal of debris. The under-floor *grade* shall be cleaned of all vegetation and organic material. Wood forms used for placing concrete shall be removed before a building is occupied or used for any purpose. Construction materials shall be removed before a building is occupied or used for any purpose.

R408.6 Finished grade. The finished *grade* of under-floor surface shall be permitted to be located at the bottom of the footings; however, where there is evidence that the ground-water table can rise to within 150 mm (6 inches) of the finished floor at the building perimeter or where there is evidence that the surface water does not readily drain from the building site, the *grade* in the under-floor space shall be

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as high as the outside finished *grade*, unless an *approved* drainage system is provided.

R408.7 Flood resistance. For buildings located in flood hazard areas as established in Table R301.2(1):

1. Walls enclosing the under-floor space shall be provided with flood openings in accordance with Section R322.2.2.
2. The finished ground level of the under-floor space shall be equal to or higher than the outside finished ground level on at least one side.

Exception: Under-floor spaces that meet the requirements of FEMA TB 11-1.

CHAPTER 5

FLOORS

User note:

About this chapter: Chapter 5 provides the requirements for the design and construction of floor systems that will be capable of supporting minimum required design loads. This chapter covers wood floor framing, wood floors on the ground, cold-formed steel floor framing and concrete slabs on the ground. Allowable span tables are provided that greatly simplify the determination of joist, girder and sheathing sizes for raised floor systems of wood framing and cold-formed steel framing. This chapter also contains prescriptive requirements for wood-framed exterior decks and their attachment to the main building.

SECTION R501 GENERAL

R501.1 Application. The provisions of this chapter shall control the design and construction of the floors for buildings, including the floors of *attic* spaces used to house mechanical or plumbing fixtures and *equipment*.

R501.2 Requirements. Floor construction shall be capable of accommodating all loads in accordance with Section R301 and of transmitting the resulting loads to the supporting structural elements.

SECTION R502 WOOD FLOOR FRAMING

R502.1 General. Wood and wood-based products used for load-supporting purposes shall conform to the applicable provisions of this section.

R502.1.1 Sawn lumber. Sawn lumber shall be identified by a grade *mark* of an accredited lumber grading or inspection agency and have design values certified by an accreditation body that complies with DOC PS 20 or the Jamaica National Agency for Accreditation JANAAC or the Bureau of Standards Jamaica (BSJ) or an accredited, inspection or testing organization recognized by JANAAC or the BSJ shall be accepted. t .

R502.1.1.1 Preservative-treated lumber. Preservative treated dimension lumber shall be identified as required by Section R317.2.

R502.1.1.2 End-jointed lumber. *Approved* end-jointed lumber identified by a grade *mark* conforming to Section R502.1.1 shall be permitted to be used interchangeably with solid-sawn members of the same species and grade. End-jointed lumber used in an assembly required elsewhere in this code to have a fire-resistance rating shall have the designation “Heat-Resistant Adhesive” or “HRA” included in its grade mark.

R502.1.2 Prefabricated wood I-joists. Structural capacities and design provisions for prefabricated wood I-joists shall be established and monitored in accordance with ASTM D5055.

R502.1.3 Structural glued laminated timbers. Glued laminated timbers shall be manufactured and identified as required in ANSI A190.1, ANSI 117 and ASTM D3737.

R502.1.4 Structural log members. Structural log members shall comply with the provisions of ICC 400.

R502.1.5 Structural composite lumber. Structural capacities for structural composite lumber shall be established and monitored in accordance with ASTM D5456.

R502.1.6 Cross-laminated timber. Cross-laminated timber shall be manufactured and identified as required by ANSI/APA PRG 320.

R502.1.7 Engineered wood rim board. Engineered wood rim boards shall conform to ANSI/APA PRR 410 or shall be evaluated in accordance with ASTM D7672. Structural capacities shall be in accordance with ANSI/APA PRR 410 or established in accordance with ASTM D7672. Rim boards conforming to ANSI/APA PRR 410 shall be marked in accordance with that standard.

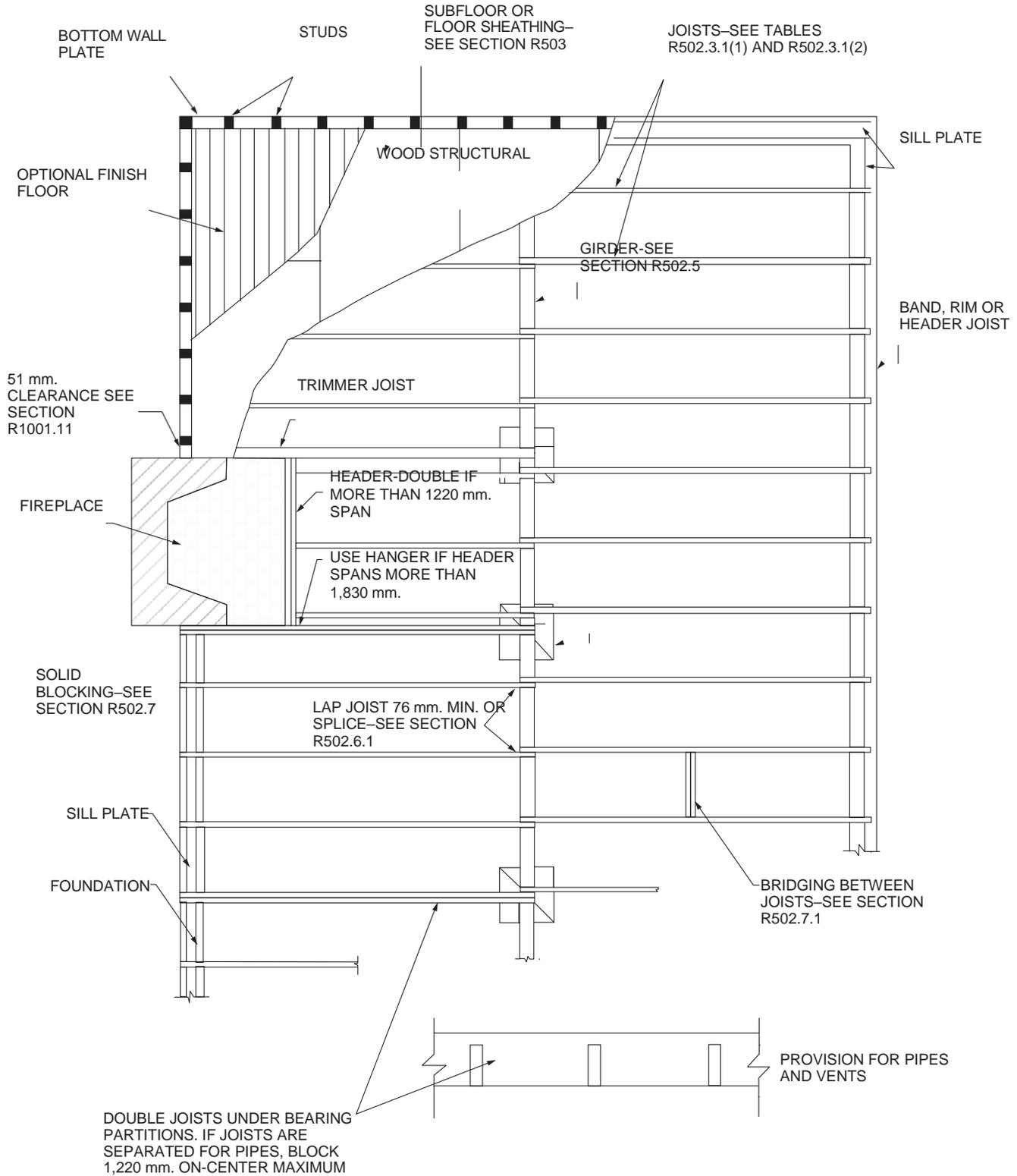
R502.2 Design and construction. Floors shall be designed and constructed in accordance with the provisions of this chapter, Figure R502.2 and Sections R317 and R318 or in accordance with ANSI AWC NDS.

R502.2.1 Framing at braced wall lines. A load path for lateral forces shall be provided between floor framing and *braced wall panels* located above or below a floor, as specified in Section R602.10.8.

R502.2.2 Blocking and subflooring. Blocking for fastening panel edges or fixtures shall be not less than utility grade lumber. Subflooring shall be not less than utility grade lumber, No. 4 common grade boards or wood structural panels as specified in Section R503.2. Fire-blocking shall be of any grade lumber.

R502.3 Allowable joist spans. Spans for floor joists shall be in accordance with Tables R502.3.1(1) and R502.3.1(2). For other grades and species and for other loading conditions, refer to the AWC STJR.

R502.3.1 Sleeping areas and attic joists. Table R502.3.1(1) shall be used to determine the maximum allowable span of floor joists that support sleeping areas and *attics* that are accessed by means of a fixed stairway in accordance with Section R311.7 provided that the design live load does not exceed 1.44 kPa (30 pounds per square foot) and the design dead load does not exceed 0.96 kPa (20 pounds per square foot). The allowable span of ceiling



For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch ,
 1 mm = 0.00328 foot.

FIGURE R502.2
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TABLE R502.3.1(1)
FLOOR JOIST SPANS FOR COMMON LUMBER SPECIES
 (Residential sleeping areas, live load = 1 450 Pa, L/Δ = 360)^a

JOIST SPACING (mm)	SPECIES AND GRADE		DEAD LOAD = 480 Pa				DEAD LOAD = 960 Pa			
			51 mm x 150 mm	51 mm x 205 mm	51 mm x 255 mm	51 mm x 305 mm	51 mm x 150 mm	51 mm x 205 mm	51 mm x 255 mm	51 mm x 305 mm
			Maximum floor joist spans							
			(mm)	(mm)	(mm)	(mm.)	(mm.)	(mm.)	(mm.)	(mm)
305	Douglas fir-larch	SS	3800	5050	6400	7800	3800	5050	6400	7800
	Douglas fir-larch	#1	3650	4850	6200	7500	3650	4750	5800	6700
	Douglas fir-larch	#2	3600	4750	6050	7100	3550	4500	5500	6400
	Douglas fir-larch	#3	3020	3850	4700	5450	2700	3450	4200	4900
	Hem-fir	SS	3600	4750	6050	7350	3600	4750	6050	7350
	Hem-fir	#1	3530	4650	5900	7200	3550	4650	5700	6650
	Hem-fir	#2	3350	4400	5650	6850	3350	4350	5350	6200
	Hem-fir	#3	2950	3750	4550	5300	2650	3350	4100	4750
	Southern pine	SS	3750	4950	6300	7650	3750	4950	6300	7650
	Southern pine	#1	3600	4750	6050	7350	3600	4750	5650	6700
	Southern pine	#2	3450	4550	5500	6500	3250	4200	4950	5800
	Southern pine	#3	2800	3500	4250	5050	2500	4150	3500	4500
	Spruce-pine-fir	SS	3550	4650	5900	7200	3550	4650	5900	7200
	Spruce-pine-fir	#1	3450	4550	5800	7000	3450	4450	5400	6300
	Spruce-pine-fir	#2	3450	4550	5800	7000	3450	4450	5400	6300
	Spruce-pine-fir	#3	2950	3750	4550	5300	2650	3350	4100	4750
405	Douglas fir-larch	SS	3450	4550	5800	7100	3450	4600	5800	7100
	Douglas fir-larch	#1	3350	4400	5600	6500	3250	4100	5000	5800
	Douglas fir-larch	#2	3250	4300	5310	6200	3100	3900	4750	5500
	Douglas fir-larch	#3	2600	3350	4100	4700	2350	3000	3650	4200
	Hem-fir	SS	3250	4300	5500	6700	3250	4300	5500	6700
	Hem-fir	#1	3200	4200	5400	6450	3200	5050	4950	5750
	Hem-fir	#2	3050	4000	5150	6000	3000	3800	4650	5400
	Hem-fir	#3	2560	3250	3950	4600	2300	2900	3550	4100
	Southern pine	SS	3400	4450	5700	6700	3400	4500	5700	7000
	Southern pine	#1	3250	4300	5500	6500	3250	4200	4900	5800
	Southern pine	#2	3150	4050	4750	5650	2850	3600	4250	5050
	Southern pine	#3	2400	3050	3400	4350	2200	2700	3300	3900
	Spruce-pine-fir	SS	3200	4200	5400	6650	3200	4200	5400	6500
	Spruce-pine-fir	#1	3150	4100	5250	6050	3050	3850	4700	5450
	Spruce-pine-fir	#2	3150	4100	5250	6050	3050	3850	4700	5450
	Spruce-pine-fir	#3	2550	3250	3950	4600	2300	2900	3550	3450

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TABLE R502.3.1(1)—continued
FLOOR JOIST SPANS FOR COMMON LUMBER SPECIES
 (Residential sleeping areas, live load = 1 450 Pa , L/Δ = 360)^a

JOIST SPACING (mm)	SPECIES AND GRADE		DEAD LOAD = 480 Pa				DEAD LOAD = 960 Pa			
			51mm x 150 mm	51 mm x 205 mm	51 mm x 255 mm	51 mm x 305 mm	51 mm x 150 mm	51 mm x 205 mm	51 mm x255 mm	51 mm x 305 mm
			Maximum floor joist spans							
			(mm.)	(mm.)	(mm.)	(mm.)	(mm.)	(mm.)	(mm.)	(mm.)
490	Douglas fir-larch	SS	3250	4300	5500	3900	3250	4300	5500	6500
	Douglas fir-larch	#1	3150	4150	5100	5950	2950	3750	4650	5300
	Douglas fir-larch	#2	3050	3900	4850	5650	2800	3550	4050	5050
	Douglas fir-larch	#3	2350	3050	3700	4300	2150	2700	3350	3850
	Hem-fir	SS	3050	3150	5200	6300	3050	4050	5200	6250
	Hem-fir	#1	3000	3050	5050	5850	2950	3700	4550	5250
	Hem-fir	#2	2850	3750	4750	5200	2700	3450	4200	4900
	Hem-fir	#3	2350	2950	3600	4200	2100	2650	3250	3800
	Southern pine	SS	3200	4200	5400	6550	3200	4200	5400	6550
	Southern pine	#1	3050	4050	5000	5950	3050	3850	4450	5300
	Southern pine	#2	2900	3700	4350	5150	2600	3300	3900	4600
	Southern pine	#3	2200	2750	3350	3400	1950	2450	3000	3550
	Spruce-pine-fir	SS	3000	3900	5300	6150	3000	3950	5050	5950
	Spruce-pine-fir	#1	2950	3850	4750	5550	2750	3500	4300	4950
	Spruce-pine-fir	#2	2950	3850	5750	5550	2750	3500	4300	4950
	Spruce-pine-fir	#3	2350	2950	3600	4200	20100	2650	3250	3750
610	Douglas fir-larch	SS	3050	3900	5100	6150	3050	3950	5000	5800
	Douglas fir-larch	#1	2950	3750	4550	5300	2650	3550	4100	4750
	Douglas fir-larch	#2	2800	3550	4350	5050	2500	3150	3900	4500
	Douglas fir-larch	#3	2150	2700	3350	3850	1900	2450	2950	3450
	Hem-fir	SS	2850	3750	4800	5850	2850	3750	4800	5600
	Hem-fir	#1	2800	3700	4550	5250	2600	3300	4050	4700
	Hem-fir	#2	2650	3450	4200	4900	2450	3000	3800	4350
	Hem-fir	#3	2100	2650	3250	3800	1850	2350	2900	3350
	Southern pine	SS	2950	3900	5000	6050	2950	3900	5000	6000
	Southern pine	#1	2850	3750	4450	5300	2700	3450	3950	4750
	Southern pine	#2	2600	3300	3900	4600	2300	2950	3450	4100
	Southern pine	#3	1950	2500	3000	3350	1750	2200	2700	3150
	Spruce-pine-fir	SS	2800	3700	4700	5700	2800	3700	4550	5300
	Spruce-pine-fir	#1	2700	3500	4300	4950	2450	3100	3850	4450
	Spruce-pine-fir	#2	2700	3500	4300	4950	2450	3100	3850	4450
	Spruce-pine-fir	#3	2100	2650	3250	3750	1900	2350	2900	3350

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch , 1 mm= 0.00328 foot , 1 kPa = 0.0479 pound per square foot =.

Note: Check sources for availability of lumber in lengths greater than 6,100 mm (20 feet).

a. Dead load limits for townhouses in Seismic Design Category C and all structures in Seismic Design Categories D₀, D₁ and D₂ shall be determined in accordance with Section R301.2.2.2.

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TABLE R502.3.1(2)
FLOOR JOIST SPANS FOR COMMON LUMBER SPECIES
 (Residential living areas, live load = 1900 Pa, L/Δ = 360)^b

JOIST SPACING (mm)	SPECIES AND GRADE		DEAD LOAD = 480 pa				DEAD LOAD = 960 pa			
			51mm x 150 mm	51mm x 205 mm	51mm x 255 mm	51mm x 305 mm	51mm x 150 mm	51mm x 205 mm	51mm x 255 mm	51mm x 305 mm
			Maximum floor joist spans							
			(mm.)	(mm.)	(mm.)	(mm.)	(mm.)	(mm.)	(mm.)	(mm.)
305	Douglas fir-larch	SS	3450	4550	5800	7050	3450	4550	5800	7050
	Douglas fir-larch	#1	3350	4400	5600	6700	3350	4300	5250	6150
	Douglas fir-larch	#2	3250	4300	5450	6350	3250	4150	5000	5800
	Douglas fir-larch	#3	2700	3450	4200	4850	2450	3150	3850	4450
	Hem-fir	SS	3250	4300	5450	6650	3250	4300	5450	6650
	Hem-fir	#1	3200	4200	5400	6550	3200	4200	5200	6050
	Hem-fir	#2	3050	4000	5150	6200	3050	3950	4850	5650
	Hem-fir	#3	2650	3350	4050	4750	2400	3050	3750	4350
	Southern pine	SS	3400	4450	5700	6950	3400	4450	5700	6950
	Southern pine	#1	3250	4300	5450	6650	3250	4300	5150	6150
	Southern pine	#2	3150	4100	4950	5800	3000	3800	4500	5300
	Southern pine	#3	2450	3150	3800	4500	2250	2850	3450	4100
	Spruce-pine-fir	SS	3200	4200	5400	6550	3200	4200	5350	6650
	Spruce-pine-fir	#1	3150	4100	5250	6250	3150	4050	4950	5750
	Spruce-pine-fir	#2	3150	4100	5250	6250	3150	4050	4950	5750
	Spruce-pine-fir	#3	2650	3350	4050	4750	2400	3050	3750	4350
405	Douglas fir-larch	SS	3150	4150	5250	6450	3150	4150	5250	6450
	Douglas fir-larch	#1	3050	3950	5000	3800	2950	3750	4550	5300
	Douglas fir-larch	#2	2950	3850	4750	5500	2800	3550	4350	5050
	Douglas fir-larch	#3	2350	2950	3650	4200	2150	2700	3350	3850
	Hem-fir	SS	2950	3900	5000	6050	2950	3900	5000	6050
	Hem-fir	#1	2900	3850	4850	5750	2900	3700	4550	5250
	Hem-fir	#2	2750	3650	4650	5350	2700	3450	4200	4900
	Hem-fir	#3	2250	2900	3550	4100	2050	2650	3250	3750
	Southern pine	SS	3100	4050	5200	6350	3100	4050	5200	6350
	Southern pine	#1	2950	3900	4900	5800	2950	3850	4450	5300
	Southern pine	#2	2850	3600	4250	5050	2600	3300	3900	4600
	Southern pine	#3	2150	2700	3300	3900	1950	2450	3000	3550
	Spruce-pine-fir	SS	2900	3850	4900	5950	2900	3850	4900	5950
	Spruce-pine-fir	#1	2850	3750	4700	5450	2750	3500	4300	4950
	Spruce-pine-fir	#2	2850	3750	4700	5450	2750	3500	4300	4950
	Spruce-pine-fir	#3	2300	2300	3550	4100	2100	2650	3250	3750

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TABLE R502.3.1(2)—continued
FLOOR JOIST SPANS FOR COMMON LUMBER SPECIES
(Residential living areas, live load = 1900 Pa, L/Δ = 360)^b

JOIST SPACING (mm)	SPECIES AND GRADE		DEAD LOAD = 480 Pa				DEAD LOAD = 960 Pa			
			51 mm x 150 mm	51 mm x 205 mm	51 mm x 255 mm	51 mm x 305 mm	51 mm x 150 mm	51 mm x 205 mm	51 mm x 255 mm	51 mm x 305 mm
			Maximum floor joist spans							
			(mm.)	(mm.)	(mm.)	(mm.)	(mm.)	(mm.)	(mm.)	
490	Douglas fir-larch	SS	2950	3900	4950	6050	2950	3900	4950	5950
	Douglas fir-larch	#1	2850	3750	4750	5300	2700	3400	4150	4850
	Douglas fir-larch	#2	2750	3550	4350	5050	2550	3250	3950	4600
	Douglas fir-larch	#3	2150	2650	3350	3850	1950	2500	3050	3500
	Hem-fir	SS	2800	3700	4700	5700	2800	3700	4700	5700
	Hem-fir	#1	2750	3600	4550	5200	2650	3350	4100	4750
	Hem-fir	#2	2600	3450	4200	4900	2500	3150	3850	4450
	Hem-fir	#3	2050	2650	3250	3750	1900	2400	2950	3450
	Southern pine	SS	2900	3850	4850	5300	2900	3850	4850	5950
	Southern pine	#1	2800	3650	4450	5850	2750	3450	4050	4850
	Southern pine	#2	2600	3300	3900	4600	2350	3000	3550	4200
	Southern pine	#3	1950	2450	3000	3550	1800	2250	2750	3250
	Spruce-pine-fir	SS	2750	3600	4600	5600	2750	3350	4600	5400
	Spruce-pine-fir	#1	2650	3500	4300	4950	2500	3200	3900	4500
	Spruce-pine-fir	#2	2650	3500	4300	4950	2500	3200	3900	4500
	Spruce-pine-fir	#3	2050	2650	3250	3750	1900	2400	2950	3450
610	Douglas fir-larch	SS	2750	3650	4600	5600	2750	3650	3550	5300
	Douglas fir-larch	#1	2650	3350	4100	4750	2400	3050	3750	4350
	Douglas fir-larch	#2	2500	3150	3850	4500	2300	2900	3550	4100
	Douglas fir-larch	#3	1900	2450	2950	3450	1750	2200	8-11	10-4
	Hem-fir	SS	2600	3450	4350	5300	2600	3450	2700	5150 ^a
	Hem-fir	#1	2550	3300	4050	4700	2400	3050	3650	4250
	Hem-fir	#2	2400	3100	3800	4350	2250	2800	3450	3950
	Hem-fir	#3	1850	2350	2900	3350	1700	2150	2650	3050
	Southern pine	SS	2300	3550	4550	5500	2700	3350	4550	5450
	Southern pine	#1	2600	3450	3950	4750	2450	3150	3650	4350
	Southern pine	#2	2300	2950	3450	13-6 4100	2150	2700	3150	3750
	Southern pine	#3	1750	2200	2700	3150	1600	2020	2450	2900
	Spruce-pine-fir	SS	2550	3350	4250	5200	2550	3350	4150	4850
	Spruce-pine-fir	#1	2450	3100	3850	4450	2250	2850	3500	4050
	Spruce-pine-fir	#2	2450	3100	3850	4450	2250	2850	3500	4050
	Spruce-pine-fir	#3	1850	2350	2900	3350	1700	2150	2650	3050

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1kPa = 20.88pound per square foot.

Note: Check sources for availability of lumber in lengths greater than 6100 mm (20 feet).

- a. End bearing length shall be increased to 51 mm (2 inches).
- b. Dead load limits for townhouses in Seismic Design Category C and all structures in Seismic Design Categories D₀, D₁, and D₂ shall be determined in accordance with Section R301.2.2.2.

joists that support *attics* used for limited storage or no storage shall be determined in accordance with Section R802.5.

R502.3.2 Other floor joists. Table R502.3.1(2) shall be used to determine the maximum allowable span of floor joists that support other areas of the building, other than sleeping rooms and *attics*, provided that the design live load does not exceed 1.92 kPa (40 pounds per square foot) and the design dead load does not exceed 0.96 kPa (20 pounds per square foot).

R502.3.3 Floor cantilevers. Floor cantilever spans shall not exceed the nominal depth of the wood floor joist. Floor cantilevers constructed in accordance with Table R502.3.3(1) shall be permitted where supporting a light-frame bearing wall and roof only. Floor cantilevers supporting an exterior balcony are permitted to be constructed in accordance with Table R502.3.3(2).

R502.4 Joists under bearing partitions. Joists under parallel bearing partitions shall be of adequate size to support the load. Double joists, sized to adequately support the load, that are separated to permit the installation of piping or vents shall be full-depth solid blocked with lumber not less than 51 mm (2 inches) in nominal thickness spaced not more than 1,220 mm (4 feet) on center. Bearing partitions perpendicular to joists shall not be offset from supporting girders, walls or partitions more than the joist depth unless such joists are of sufficient size to carry the additional load.

R502.5 Allowable girder and header spans. The allowable spans of girders and headers fabricated of dimension lumber shall not exceed the values set forth in Tables R602.7(1), R602.7(2) and R602.7(3).

R502.6 Bearing. The ends of each joist, beam or girder shall have not less than 38 mm (1½ inches) of bearing on wood or metal, have not less than 76 mm (3 inches) of bearing on masonry or concrete or be supported by *approved* joist hangers. Alternatively, the ends of joists shall be supported on a 25 mm by 100 mm (1-inch by 4-inch) ribbon strip and shall be nailed to the adjacent stud. The bearing on masonry or concrete shall be direct, or a sill plate of 51 mm (2-inch-minimum) nominal thickness shall be provided under the joist, beam or girder. The sill plate shall provide a minimum nominal bearing area of 30,865 mm² (48 square inches).

R502.6.1 Floor systems. Joists framing from opposite sides over a bearing support shall lap not less than 76 mm (3 inches) and shall be nailed together with a minimum three 10d face nails. A wood or metal splice with strength equal to or greater than that provided by the nailed lap is permitted.

R502.6.2 Joist framing. Joists framing into the side of a wood girder shall be supported by *approved* framing anchors or on ledger strips not less than nominal 51 mm by 51 mm (2 inches by 2 inches).

R502.7 Lateral restraint at supports. Joists shall be supported laterally at the ends by full-depth solid blocking not less than 51 mm (2 inches) nominal in thickness; or by attachment to a full-depth header, band or rim joist, or to an adjoin-

ing stud or shall be otherwise provided with lateral support to prevent rotation.

Exceptions:

1. Trusses, structural composite lumber, structural glued-laminated members and I-joists shall be supported laterally as required by the manufacturer's recommendations.
2. In Seismic Design Categories D₀, D₁ and D₂, lateral restraint shall be provided at each intermediate support.

R502.7.1 Bridging. Joists exceeding a nominal 51 mm by 305 mm (2 inches by 12 inches) shall be supported laterally by solid blocking, diagonal bridging (wood or metal), or a continuous 25 mm by 76 mm (1-inch by 3-inch) strip nailed across the bottom of joists perpendicular to joists at intervals not exceeding 2,450 mm (8 feet).

Exception: Trusses, structural composite lumber, structural glued-laminated members and I-joists shall be supported laterally as required by the manufacturer's recommendations.

R502.8 Cutting, drilling and notching. Structural floor members shall not be cut, bored or notched in excess of the limitations specified in this section. See Figure R502.8.

R502.8.1 Sawn lumber. Notches in solid lumber joists, rafters and beams shall not exceed one-sixth of the depth of the member, shall not be longer than one-third of the depth of the member and shall not be located in the middle one-third of the span. Notches at the ends of the member shall not exceed one-fourth the depth of the member. The tension side of members 100 mm (4 inches) or greater in nominal thickness shall not be notched except at the ends of the members. The diameter of holes bored or cut into members shall not exceed one-third the depth of the member. Holes shall not be closer than 51 mm (2 inches) to the top or bottom of the member, or to any other hole located in the member. Where the member is notched, the hole shall not be closer than 51 mm (2 inches) to the notch.

R502.8.2 Engineered wood products. Cuts, notches and holes bored in trusses, structural composite lumber, structural glue-laminated members, cross-laminated timber members or I-joists are prohibited except where permitted by the manufacturer's recommendations or where the effects of such alterations are specifically considered in the design of the member by a *registered design building professional*.

R502.9 Fastening. Floor framing shall be nailed in accordance with Table R602.3(1). Where posts and beam or girder construction is used to support floor framing, positive connections shall be provided to ensure against uplift and lateral displacement.

R502.10 Framing of openings. Openings in floor framing shall be framed with header and trimmer joists. Where the header joist span does not exceed 1,220 mm (4 feet), the header joist shall be a single member the same size as the floor joist. Single trimmer joists shall be used to carry a single header joist that is located within 915 mm (3 feet) of the

TABLE R502.3.3(1)
CANTILEVER SPANS FOR FLOOR JOISTS SUPPORTING LIGHT-FRAME EXTERIOR BEARING WALL AND ROOF ONLY^{a, b, c, f, g, h}
(Floor Live Load ≤ 1900 Pa, Roof Live Load ≤ 957 Pa)

MEMBER & SPACING	MAXIMUM CANTILEVER SPAN (uplift force at backspan support in N) ^{d, e}											
	Dead Load Due to Decorative Plants, Furniture, etc.											
	≤ 0.96 kPa			1.44 kPa			2.40 kPa			3.35 kPa		
	Roof Width			Roof Width			Roof Width			Roof Width		
	9,754 mm	12,192 mm	7,315 mm	9,754 mm	12,192 mm	7,315 mm	9,754 mm	12,192 mm	7,315 mm	9,754 mm	12,192 mm	
51 × 205 @ 305	508 mm 787 N	381 mm 1010 N	-	457 mm 930 N	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
51 × 255 @ 405	737 mm 1014 N	533 mm 1619 N	406 mm 1205 N	660 mm 1575 N	457 mm 1575 N	-	508 mm 1668 N	-	-	-	-	-
51 × 255 @ 305	915 mm 738 N	660 mm 974 N	508 mm 1201 N	864 mm 881 N	406 mm 1170 N	559 mm 1441 N	660 mm 1232 N	-	-	483 mm 1583 N	-	-
51 × 305 @ 405"	-	813 mm 1277 N	635 mm 1583 N	915 mm 1170 N	737 mm 1535 N	533 mm 1904 N	737 mm 1632 N	508 mm 2153 N	-	584 mm 2095 N	-	-
51 × 305 @ 305	-	1067 mm 930 N	787 mm 1170 N	-	940 mm 1125 N	686 mm 1410 N	915 mm 1205 N	686 mm 1592 N	432 mm 1988 N	787 mm 1548 N	483 mm 2055 N	-
51 × 305 @ 205	-	1219 mm 605 N	1143 mm 752 N	-	1219 mm 729 N	965 mm 916 N	-	1016 mm 1036 N	660 mm 1308 N	915 mm 1023 N	737 mm 1352 N	457 mm 1686 N

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 kPa = 20.877 pound per square foot .

- a. Tabulated values are for clear-span roof supported solely by exterior bearing walls.
- b. Spans are based on No. 2 Grade lumber of Douglas fir-larch, hem-fir, and spruce-pine-fir for repetitive (three or more) members. No.1 or better shall be used for Southern pine.
- c. Ratio of backspan to cantilever span shall be not less than 3:1.
- d. Connections capable of resisting the indicated uplift force shall be provided at the backspan support.
- e. Uplift force is for a backspan to cantilever span ratio of 3:1. Tabulated uplift values are permitted to be reduced by multiplying by a factor equal to 3 divided by the actual backspan ratio provided (3/backspan ratio).
- f. See Section R301.2.2.6, Item 1, for additional limitations on cantilevered floor joists for detached one- and two-family dwellings in Seismic Design Category D₀, D₁, or D₂ and townhouses in Seismic Design Category C, D₀, D₁ or D₂.
- g. A full-depth rim joist shall be provided at the unsupported end of the cantilever joists. Solid blocking shall be provided at the supported end. Where the cantilever length is 610 mm (24 inches) or less and the building is assigned to Seismic Design Category A, B or C, solid blocking at the support for the cantilever shall not be required.
- h. Linear interpolation shall be permitted for building widths other than shown.

TABLE R502.3.3(2)
CANTILEVER SPANS FOR FLOOR JOISTS SUPPORTING EXTERIOR BALCONY^{a, b, e, f}

MEMBER SIZE	SPACING	MAXIMUM CANTILEVER SPAN (uplift force at backspan support in N) ^{c, d}		
		Dead Load Due to Decorative Plants, Furniture, etc.		
		1.44 kPa	2.40 kPa	3.35 kPa
51 × 205	305	1067 (618)	991 (694)	864 (734)
51 × 205	405	915 (672)	864 (761)	737 (801)
251 × 255	305	1549 (729)	1448 (841)	1245 (894)
51 × 255	405	1346 (801)	1245 (925)	1067 (979)
51 × 255	610	1092 (943)	1016 (1072)	864 (1134)
51 × 305	405	1829 (1014)	1702 (1156)	1448 (1192)
51 × 305	610	1473 (1241)	1372 (1419)	1199 (1468)

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch , 1 kPa = 20.89 pound per square foot.

- a. Spans are based on No. 2 Grade lumber of Douglas fir-larch, hem-fir, and spruce-pine-fir for repetitive (three or more) members. No.1 or better shall be used for Southern pine.

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- b. Ratio of backspan to cantilever span shall be not less than 2:1.
- c. Connections capable of resisting the indicated uplift force shall be provided at the backspan support.
- d. Uplift force is for a backspan to cantilever span ratio of 2:1. Tabulated uplift values are permitted to be reduced by multiplying by a factor equal to 2 divided by the actual backspan ratio provided ($2/\text{backspan ratio}$).
- e. A full-depth rim joist shall be provided at the unsupported end of the cantilever joists. Solid blocking shall be provided at the supported end. Where the cantilever length is 610 mm (24 inches) or less and the building is assigned to Seismic Design Category A, B or C, solid blocking at the support for the cantilever shall not be required.

trimmer joist bearing. Where the header joist span exceeds 1,220 mm (4 feet), the trimmer joists and the header joist shall be doubled and of sufficient cross section to support the floor joists framing into the header.

R502.11 Wood trusses.

R502.11.1 Design. Wood trusses shall be designed in accordance with *approved* engineering practice. The design and manufacture of metal-plate-connected wood trusses shall comply with ANSI/TPI 1. The truss design drawings shall be prepared by a registered design building professional where required by the statutes of the *jurisdiction* in which the project is to be constructed in accordance with Section R106.1.

R502.11.2 Bracing. Trusses shall be braced to prevent rotation and provide lateral stability in accordance with the

requirements specified in the *construction documents* for the building and on the individual truss design drawings. In the absence of specific bracing requirements, trusses shall be braced in accordance with accepted industry practices, such as, the *SBCA Building Component Safety Information (BCSI) Guide to Good Practice for Handling, Installing & Bracing of Metal Plate Connected Wood Trusses*.

R502.11.3 Alterations to trusses. Truss members and components shall not be cut, notched, spliced or otherwise altered in any way without the approval of a registered *design building professional*. *Alterations* resulting in the addition of load that exceeds the design load for the truss, shall not be permitted without verification that the truss is capable of supporting the additional loading.

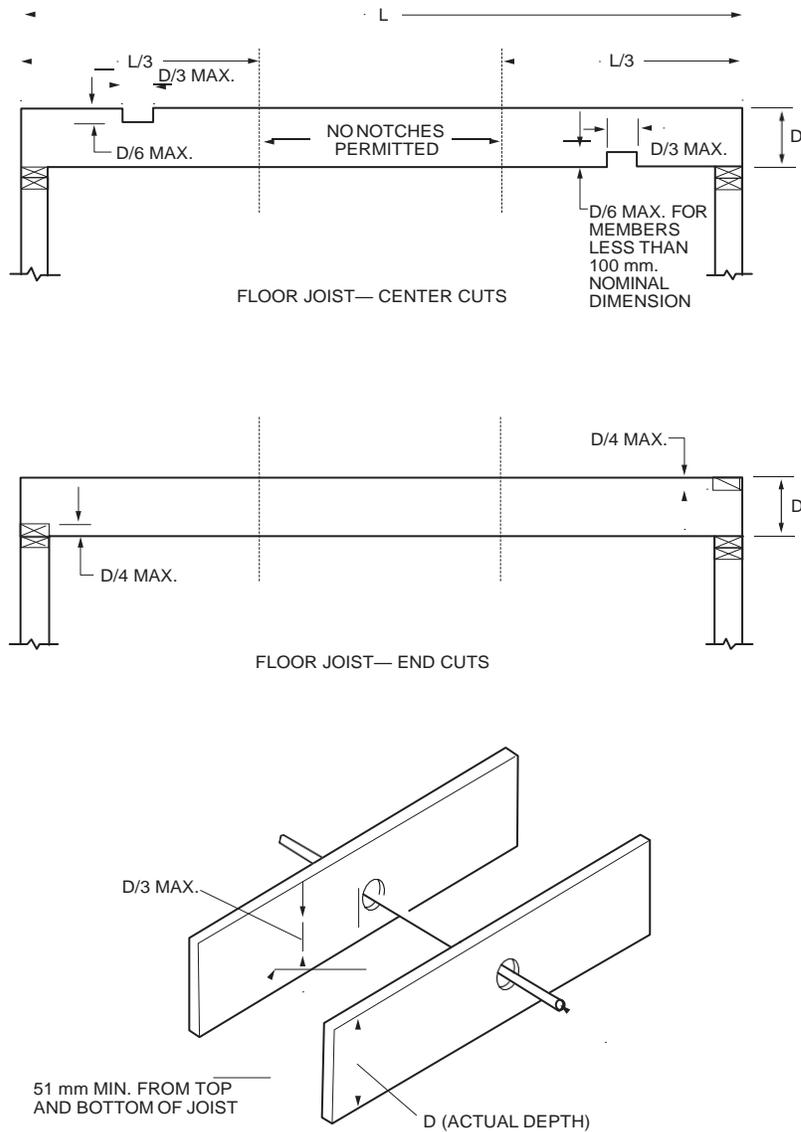


FIGURE R502.8
CUTTING, NOTCHING AND DRILLING

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm= 0.03937 inch .

R502.11.4 Truss design drawings. Truss design drawings, prepared in compliance with Section R502.11.1, shall be submitted to the *building official* and *approved* prior to installation. Truss design drawings shall be provided with the shipment of trusses delivered to the job site. Truss design drawings shall include, at a minimum, the information specified as follows:

1. Slope or depth, span and spacing.
2. Location of all joints.
3. Required bearing widths.
4. Design loads as applicable:
 - 4.1. Top chord live load.
 - 4.2. Top chord dead load.
 - 4.3. Bottom chord live load.
 - 4.4. Bottom chord dead load.
 - 4.5. Concentrated loads and their points of application.
 - 4.6. Controlling wind and earthquake loads.
5. Adjustments to lumber and joint connector design values for conditions of use.
6. Each reaction force and direction.
7. Joint connector type and description, such as size, thickness or gage, and the dimensioned location of each joint connector except where symmetrically located relative to the joint interface.
8. Lumber size, species and grade for each member.
9. Connection requirements for:
 - 9.1. Truss-to-girder-truss.
 - 9.2. Truss ply-to-ply.
 - 9.3. Field splices.
10. Calculated deflection ratio, maximum description for live and total load, or both.
11. Maximum axial compression forces in the truss members to enable the building designer to design the size, connections and anchorage of the permanent continuous lateral bracing. Forces shall be shown on the truss drawing or on supplemental documents.
12. Required permanent truss member bracing location.

R502.12 Draftstopping required. Draftstopping shall be provided in accordance with Section R302.12.

R502.13 Fireblocking required. Fireblocking shall be provided in accordance with Section R302.11.

**SECTION R503
FLOOR SHEATHING**

R503.1 Lumber sheathing. Maximum allowable spans for lumber used as floor sheathing shall conform to Tables R503.1, R503.2.1.1(1) and R503.2.1.1(2).

**TABLE R503.1
MINIMUM THICKNESS OF LUMBER FLOOR SHEATHING**

JOIST OR BEAM SPACING (mm)	MINIMUM NET THICKNESS	
	Perpendicular to joist	Diagonal to joist
610	17.45	19
405	16	16
1200 ^a	38 T & G	N/A
1350 ^b		
1500 ^c		

For Inch Pound Units : 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 kPa = 0.145 pound per square inch.

N/A = Not Applicable.

- a. For this support spacing, lumber sheathing shall have a minimum F_b of 675 and minimum E of 1,100,000 (see ANSI AWC NDS).
- b. For this support spacing, lumber sheathing shall have a minimum F_b of 765 and minimum E of 1,400,000 (see ANSI AWC NDS).
- c. For this support spacing, lumber sheathing shall have a minimum F_b of 855 and minimum E of 1,700,000 (see ANSI AWC NDS).

R503.1.1 End joints. End joints in lumber used as subflooring shall occur over supports unless end-matched lumber is used, in which case each piece shall bear on not less than two joists. Subflooring shall be permitted to be omitted where joist spacing does not exceed 405 mm (16 inches) and a 25 mm (1-inch) nominal tongue-and-groove wood strip flooring is applied perpendicular to the joists.

R503.2 Wood structural panel sheathing.

R503.2.1 Identification and grade. Wood structural panel sheathing used for structural purposes shall conform to CSA O325, CSA O437 DOC PS 1 or DOC PS 2. Panels shall be identified for grade, bond classification and Performance Category by a grade mark or certificate of inspection issued by an approved agency. The Performance Category value shall be used as the “nominal panel thickness” or “panel thickness” wherever referenced in this code

R503.2.1.1 Subfloor and combined subfloor underlayment. Where used as subflooring or combination subfloor underlayment, wood structural panels shall be of one of the grades specified in Table R503.2.1.1(1). Where sanded plywood is used as combination subfloor underlayment, the grade, bond classification, and Performance Category shall be as specified in Table R503.2.1.1(2).

**TABLE R503.2.1.1(2)
ALLOWABLE SPANS FOR SANDED
PLYWOOD COMBINATION SUBFLOOR UNDERLAYMENT^a**

IDENTIFICATION	SPACING OF JOISTS (mm)		
	405	510	610
Species group ^b	—	—	—
1	12.5	16	19
2, 3	16	19	22
4	19	22	25.4

For Inch Pound Units : 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 kPa = 20.88 pound per square foot.

- a. Plywood continuous over two or more spans and face grain perpendicular to supports. Unsupported edges shall be tongue-and-groove or blocked except where nominal 6.35 mm (1/4-inch) -thick wood panel-type

underlayment, fiber-cement underlayment or 19 mm (3/4-inch) wood finish floor is used. Fiber-cement underlayment shall comply with ASTM C1288 or ISO 8336 Category C. Allowable uniform live load at

maximum span based on deflection of 1/360 of span is 4.78 kPa (100 psf).
 b. Applicable to all grades of sanded exterior-type plywood.

TABLE R503.2.1.1(1)
ALLOWABLE SPANS AND LOADS FOR WOOD STRUCTURAL PANELS FOR ROOF AND
SUBFLOOR SHEATHING AND COMBINATION SUBFLOOR UNDERLAYMENT^{a, b, c}

SPAN RATING	MINIMUM NOMINAL PANEL THICKNESS (mm)	ALLOWABLE LIVE LOAD (psf) ^{h, i}		MAXIMUM SPAN (mm)		LOAD (kPa, at maximum span)		MAXIMUM SPAN (mm)
		SPAN @ 405 o.c.	SPAN @ 610 o.c.	With edge support ^d	Without edge support	Total load	Live load	
Sheathing ^e		Roof ^f						Subfloor ^j
405 mm /0mm	9.55	30	—	405	405	1.9	1.45	0
510 mm/0mm	9.55	50	—	510	510	1.9	1.45	0
610 mm/0mm	9.55	100	30	610	510 ^g	1.9	1.45	0
610 mm/405 mm	11	100	40	610	610	2.4	1.9	405
815 mm/405 mm	11, 12.5	180	70	815	710	1.9	1.45	405 ^h
1000 mm/510 mm	15, 16	305	130	1000	815	1.9	1.45	510 ^{h, i}
1200 mm/610 mm	18.5, 19	—	175	1200	915	2.15	1.7	610
130 mm/815 mm	22	—	305	1350	1200	2.15	1.7	815
Underlayment, C-C plugged, single floor ^e		Roof ^f						Combination subfloor underlayment ^k
405 o.c.	15, 16	100	40	610	610	2.4	1.9	405 ^l
510 o.c.	15, 16	150	60	815	815	1.9	1.45	510 ^{i, j}
610 o.c.	18.5, 19	240	100	1200	915	1.7	1.2	610
815 o.c.	22	—	185	1200	1000	2.4	1.9	815
1200 o.c.	28, 28.5	—	290	1500	1200	2.4	1.9	1200

French Pound units : 1mm = 0.03937 inch =, 1 kPa = 20.88 pound per square foota.

- a. The allowable total loads were determined using a dead load of 0.47 kPa (10 psf). If the dead load exceeds 0.47 kPa (10 psf), then the live load shall be reduced accordingly.
- b. Panels continuous over two or more spans with long dimension (strength axis) perpendicular to supports. Spans shall be limited to values shown because of possible effect of concentrated loads.
- c. Applies to panels 610 mm (24 inches) or wider.
- d. Lumber blocking, panel edge clips (one midway between each support, except two equally spaced between supports where span is 1,200 mm (48 inches), tongue-and- groove panel edges, or other approved type of edge support.
- e. Includes Structural I panels in these grades.
- f. Uniform load deflection limitation: 1/180 of span under live load plus dead load, 1/240 of span under live load only.
- g. Maximum span 610 mm (24 inches) for 11.9 mm and 12.5 mm (15/32- and 1/2-inch) panels.
- h. Maximum span 610 mm (24 inches) where 19 mm (3/4-inch) wood finish flooring is installed at right angles to joists.
- i. Maximum span 610 mm (24 inches) where 38 mm (1.5 inches) of lightweight concrete or approved cellular concrete is placed over the subfloor.
- j. Unsupported edges shall have tongue-and-groove joints or shall be supported with blocking unless minimum nominal 1/4-inch-thick wood panel-type underlayment, fiber-cement underlayment with end and edge joints offset not less than 51 mm (2 inches) or 38 mm (1 1/2 inches) of lightweight concrete or approved cellular concrete is placed over the subfloor, or 19 mm (3/4-inch) wood finish flooring is installed at right angles to the supports. Fiber-cement underlayment shall comply with ASTM C1288 or ISO 8336 Category C. Allowable uniform live load at maximum span, based on deflection of 1/360 of span, is 4.7 kPa (100 psf).
- k. Unsupported edges shall have tongue-and-groove joints or shall be supported by blocking unless nominal 6.35 mm (1/4-inch)-thick wood panel-type underlayment, fiber-cement underlayment with end and edge joints offset not less than 51 mm (2 inches) or 19 mm (3/4-inch) wood finish flooring is installed at right angles to the supports. Fiber-cement underlayment shall comply with ASTM C1288 or ISO 8336 Category C. Allowable uniform live load at maximum span, based on deflection of 1/360 of span, is 4.7 kPa (100 psf), except panels with a span rating of 1,220 mm (48 inches) on center are limited to 3.1 kPa (65 psf) total uniform load at maximum span.
- l. Allowable live load values at spans of 405 mm (16 inches) on center and 610 mm (24 inches) on center taken from reference standard APA E30, APA Engineered Wood Construction Guide. Refer to reference standard for allowable spans not listed in the table.

R503.2.2 Allowable spans. The maximum allowable span for wood structural panels used as subfloor or combination subfloor underlayment shall be as set forth in Table R503.2.1.1(1), or APA E30. The maximum span for sanded plywood combination subfloor underlayment shall be as set forth in Table R503.2.1.1(2).

R503.2.3 Installation. Wood structural panels used as subfloor or combination subfloor underlayment shall be attached to wood framing in accordance with Table R602.3(1) and shall be attached to cold-formed steel framing in accordance with Table R505.3.1(2).

R503.3 Particleboard.

R503.3.1 Identification and grade. Particleboard shall conform to ANSI A208.1 and shall be so identified by a grade mark or certificate of inspection issued by an approved agency.

R503.3.2 Floor underlayment. Particleboard floor underlayment shall conform to Type PBU and shall be not less than 6.35 mm (1/4 inch) in thickness.

R503.3.3 Installation. Particleboard underlayment shall be installed in accordance with the recommendations of

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the manufacturer and attached to framing in accordance with Table R602.3(1).

**SECTION R504
PRESSURE PRESERVATIVE-
TREATED WOOD FLOORS (ON GROUND)**

R504.1 General. Pressure preservative-treated wood *basement* floors and floors on ground shall be designed to withstand axial forces and bending moments resulting from lateral soil pressures at the base of the exterior walls and floor live and dead loads. Floor framing shall be designed to meet joist deflection requirements in accordance with Section R301.

R504.1.1 Unbalanced soil loads. Unless special provision is made to resist sliding caused by unbalanced lateral soil loads, wood *basement* floors shall be limited to applications where the differential depth of fill on opposite exterior foundation walls is 610 mm (2 feet) or less.

R504.1.2 Construction. Joists in wood *basement* floors shall bear tightly against the narrow face of studs in the foundation wall or directly against a band joist that bears on the studs. Plywood subfloor shall be continuous over lapped joists or over butt joints between in-line joists. Sufficient blocking shall be provided between joists to transfer lateral forces at the base of the end walls into the floor system.

R504.1.3 Uplift and buckling. Where required, resistance to uplift or restraint against buckling shall be provided by interior bearing walls or properly designed stub walls anchored in the supporting soil below.

R504.2 Site preparation. The area within the foundation walls shall have all vegetation, topsoil and foreign material removed, and any fill material that is added shall be free of vegetation and foreign material. The fill shall be compacted to ensure uniform support of the pressure preservative-treated wood floor sleepers.

R504.2.1 Base. A minimum 100 mm (4-inch)-thick granular base of gravel having a maximum size of 19 mm ($\frac{3}{4}$ inch) or crushed stone having a maximum size of 12.5 mm ($\frac{1}{2}$ inch) shall be placed over the compacted earth.

R504.2.2 Moisture barrier. Polyethylene sheeting of minimum 0.15 mm (6-mil) thickness shall be placed over the granular base. Joints shall be lapped 150 mm (6 inches) and left unsealed. The polyethylene membrane shall be placed over the pressure preservative-treated wood sleepers and shall not extend beneath the footing plates of the exterior walls.

R504.2.3 Termite treatment. The area within the outermost foundation walls and 305 mm (1 foot) wide external perimeter area around these outermost foundation walls shall be treated to exterminate any existing or long term termite infestation. The chemicals to be used shall be approved by the Ministry of Health Environmental Health Unit (EHU). In applying the termite treatment care shall be exercised to ensure that it goes under the foundation walls and a minimum depth of 150 mm (6 inches) in the virgin soil.

R504.3 Materials. Framing materials, including sleepers, joists, blocking and plywood subflooring, shall be pressure-preservative treated and dried after treatment in accordance with AWWA U1 (Commodity Specification A, Special Requirement 4.2), and shall bear the *label* of an accredited

agency.

**SECTION R505
COLD-FORMED STEEL FLOOR FRAMING**

R505.1 Cold-formed steel floor framing. Elements shall be straight and free of any defects that would significantly affect structural performance. Cold-formed steel floor framing mem-

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bers shall be in accordance with the requirements of this section.

R505.1.1 Applicability limits. The provisions of this section shall control the construction of cold-formed steel floor framing for buildings not greater than 18,300 mm (60 feet) in length perpendicular to the joist span, not greater than 12,200 mm (40 feet) in width parallel to the joist span and less than or equal to three stories above grade plane. Cold-formed steel floor framing constructed in accordance with the provisions of this section shall be limited to sites where the ultimate design wind speed is less than 63 m/s (140 miles per hour), Exposure Category B or C, and the ground snow load is less than or equal to 3.35 kPa (70 pounds per square foot).

R505.1.2 In-line framing. Where supported by cold-formed steel-framed walls in accordance with Section R603, cold-formed steel floor framing shall be constructed with floor joists located in-line with load-bearing studs located below the joists in accordance with Figure R505.1.2 and the tolerances specified as follows:

1. The maximum tolerance shall be 19 mm ($\frac{3}{4}$ inch) between the centerline of the horizontal framing member and the centerline of the vertical framing member.
2. Where the centerline of the horizontal framing member and bearing stiffener are located to one side of the centerline of the vertical framing member, the maximum tolerance shall be 3.17 mm ($\frac{1}{8}$ inch) between the web of the horizontal framing member and the edge of the vertical framing member.

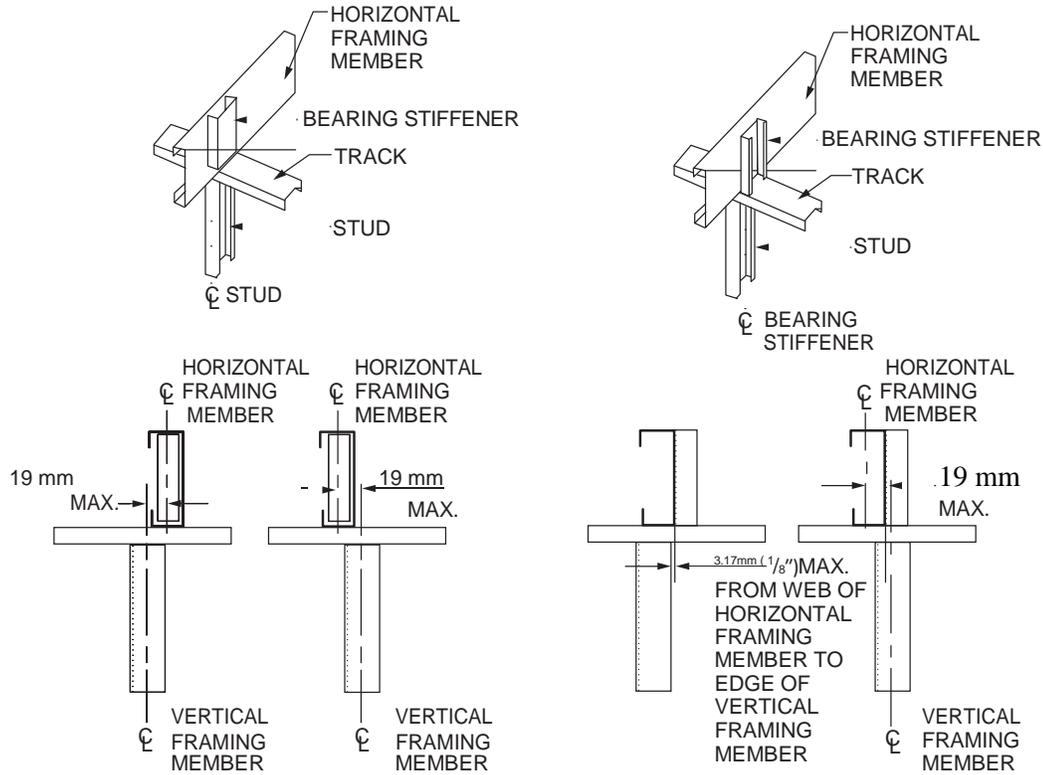
R505.1.3 Floor trusses. Cold-formed steel trusses shall be designed, braced and installed in accordance with AISI S240. In the absence of specific bracing requirements, trusses shall be braced in accordance with accepted industry practices, such as the SBCA *Cold-Formed Steel Building Component Safety Information (CFSBCSI), Guide to Good Practice for Handling, Installing & Bracing of Cold-Formed Steel Trusses*. Truss members shall not be notched, cut or altered in any manner without an *approved* design.

R505.2 Structural framing. Load-bearing cold-formed steel floor framing members shall be in accordance with this section.

R505.2.1 Material. Load-bearing cold-formed steel framing members shall be cold formed to shape from structural quality sheet steel complying with the requirements of ASTM A1003: Structural Grades 33 Type H and 50 Type H.

R505.2.2 Corrosion protection. Load-bearing cold-formed steel framing shall have a metallic coating complying with ASTM A1003 and one of the following:

1. Not less than G 60 in accordance with ASTM A653.
2. Not less than AZ 50 in accordance with ASTM A792.



For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm= 0.03937 inch .

**FIGURE R505.1.2
IN-LINE FRAMING**

R505.2.3 Dimension, thickness and material grade.

Load-bearing cold-formed steel floor framing members shall comply with Figure R505.2.3(1) and with the dimensional and thickness requirements specified in Table R505.2.3. Additionally, all C-shaped sections shall have a minimum flange width of 41 mm (1.625 inches) and a maximum flange width of 51 mm (2 inches). The minimum lip size for C-shaped sections shall be 12.5 mm (1/2 inch). Track sections shall comply with Figure R505.2.3(2) and shall have a minimum flange width of 32 mm (1 1/4 inch). Minimum Grade 33 ksi steel shall be used wherever 0.8382 mm (33 mil) and 1.0922 mm (43 mil) thicknesses are specified. Minimum Grade 50 ksi steel shall be used wherever 1.3716 mm (54) and 1,7272 mm (68 mil) thicknesses are specified.

R505.2.4 Identification. Load-bearing cold-formed steel framing members shall have a legible *label*, stencil, stamp or embossment with the following information as a minimum:

1. Manufacturer’s identification.
2. Minimum base steel thickness in millimetres (inches).
3. Minimum coating designation.
4. Minimum yield strength, in ksi or MPa (kips per square inch).

R505.2.5 Fastening. Screws for steel-to-steel connections shall be installed with a minimum edge distance and center-to-center spacing of 125 mm (1/2 inch), shall be self-drilling tapping, and shall conform to ASTM C1513. Floor sheathing shall be attached to cold-formed steel joists with minimum No. 8 self-drilling tapping screws that conform to ASTM C1513. Screws attaching floor sheathing to cold-formed steel joists shall have a minimum head diameter of 7.4 mm (0.292 inch) with countersunk heads and shall be installed with a minimum edge distance of 9.5 mm (3/8 inch). Gypsum board ceilings shall be attached to cold-formed steel joists with minimum No. 6 screws conforming to ASTM C954 or ASTM C1513 with a bugle-head style and shall be installed in accordance with Section R702. For all connections, screws shall extend through the steel not fewer than three exposed threads. Fasteners shall have a rust-inhibitive coating suitable for the installation in which they are being used, or be manufactured from material not susceptible to corrosion.

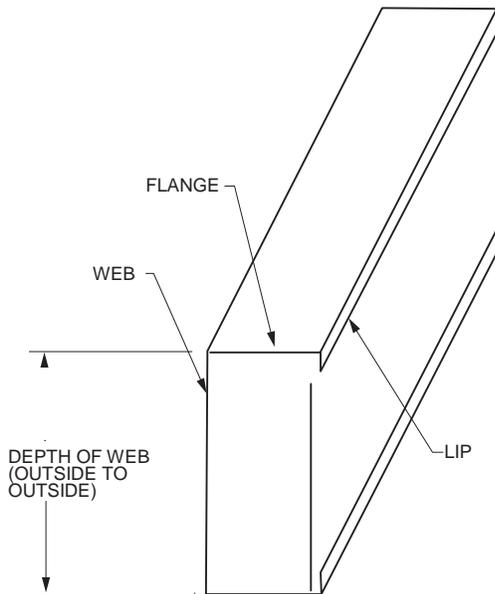
R505.2.6 Web holes, web hole reinforcing and web hole patching. Web holes, web hole reinforcing, and web hole patching shall be in accordance with this section.

**TABLE R505.2.3
COLD-FORMED STEEL JOIST SIZES AND THICKNESS**

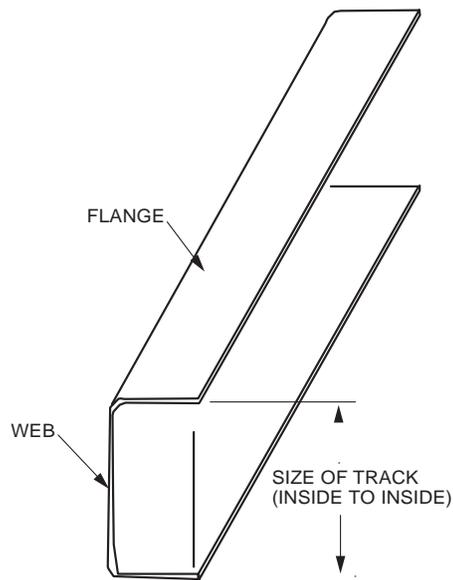
MEMBER DESIGNATION ^a	WEB DEPTH (mm)	MINIMUM BASE STEEL THICKNESS mm
550S162-t	140	0.84, 1.09, 1.37, 1.72
800S162-t	205	0.84, 1.09, 1.37, 1.72
1000S162-t	255	1.09, 1.37, 1.72
1200S162-t	305	1.09, 1.37, 1.72

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch , 1 mm = 39.37 mil.

a. The member designation is defined by the first number representing the member depth in 0.254 mm (0.01 inch), the letter “S” representing a stud or joist member, the second number representing the flange width in 0.254 mm (0.01 inch), and the letter “t” shall be a number representing the minimum base metal thickness in mils.



**FIGURE R505.2.3(1)
C-SHAPED SECTION**



Framing members with web holes not conforming to these requirements shall be reinforced in accordance with Section R505.2.6.2, patched in accordance with

R505.2.6.1 Web holes. Web holes in floor joists shall comply with all of the following conditions:

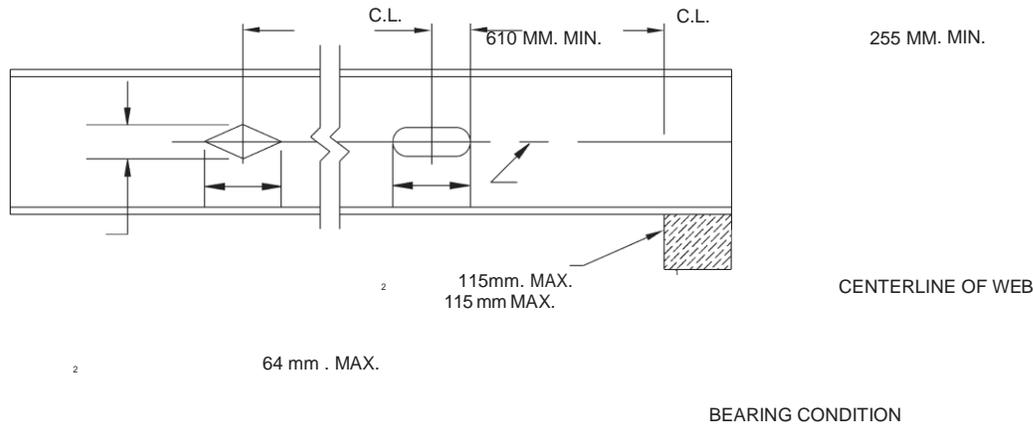
1. Holes shall conform to Figure R505.2.6.1.
2. Holes shall be permitted only along the centerline of the web of the framing member.
3. Holes shall have a center-to-center spacing of not less than 610 mm (24 inches).
4. Holes shall have a web hole width not greater than 0.5 times the member depth, or 64 mm (2½ inches).
5. Holes shall have a web hole length not exceeding 114 mm (4½ inches).
6. Holes shall have a minimum distance between the edge of the bearing surface and the edge of the web hole of not less than 255 mm (10 inches).

FIGURE R505.2.3(2) TRACK SECTION

Section R505.2.6.3 or designed in accordance with accepted engineering practices.

R505.2.6.2 Web hole reinforcing. Reinforcement of web holes in floor joists not conforming to the requirements of Section R505.2.6.1 shall be permitted if the hole is located fully within the center 40 percent of the span and the depth and length of the hole does not exceed 65 percent of the flat width of the web. The reinforcing shall be a steel plate or C-shaped section with a hole that does not exceed the web hole size limitations of Section R505.2.6.1 for the member being reinforced. The steel reinforcing shall be not thinner than the thickness of the receiving member and shall extend not less than 25.4 mm (1 inch) beyond all edges of the hole. The steel reinforcing shall be fastened to the web of the receiving member with No. 8 screws spaced not more than 25.4 mm (1 inch) center-to-center along the edges of the patch with minimum edge distance of 12.5 mm ($\frac{1}{2}$ inch).





For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm=0.03937 inch .

**FIGURE R505.2.6.1
FLOOR JOIST WEB HOLES**

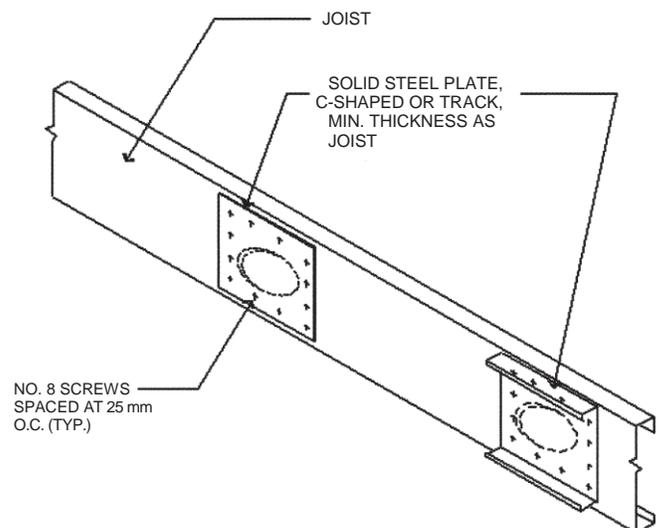
R505.2.6.3 Hole patching. Patching of web holes in floor joists not conforming to the requirements in Section R505.2.6.1 shall be permitted in accordance with either of the following methods:

1. Framing members shall be replaced or designed in accordance with accepted engineering practices where web holes exceed the following size limits:
 - 1.1. The depth of the hole, measured across the web, exceeds 70 percent of the flat width of the web.
 - 1.2. The length of the hole, measured along the web, exceeds 255 mm (10 inches) or the depth of the web, whichever is greater.
2. Web holes not exceeding the dimensional requirements in Section R505.2.6.3, Item 1, shall be patched with a solid steel plate, stud section or track section in accordance with Figure R505.2.6.3. The steel patch shall, as a minimum, be of the same thickness as the receiving member and shall extend not less than 25.4 mm (1 inch) beyond all edges of the hole. The steel patch shall be fastened to the web of the receiving member with No. 8 screws spaced not more than 25.4 mm (1 inch) center-to-center along the edges of the patch with minimum edge distance of 12.5 mm (1/2 inch).

R505.3 Floor construction. Cold-formed steel floors shall be constructed in accordance with this section.

R505.3.1 Floor-to-foundation or load-bearing wall connections. Cold-formed steel-framed floors shall be anchored to foundations, wood sills or load-bearing walls in accordance with Table R505.3.1(1) and Figure R505.3.1(1), R505.3.1(2), R505.3.1(3), R505.3.1(4),

R505.3.1(5) or R505.3.1(6). Anchor bolts shall be located not more than 305 mm (12 inches) from corners or the termination of bottom tracks. Continuous cold-formed steel joists supported by interior load-bearing walls shall be constructed in accordance with Figure R505.3.1(7). Lapped cold-formed steel joists shall be constructed in accordance with Figure R505.3.1(8). End floor joists constructed on foundation walls parallel to the joist span shall be doubled unless a C-shaped bearing stiffener, sized in accordance with Section R505.3.4, is installed web-to-web with the floor joist beneath each supported wall stud, as shown in Figure R505.3.1(9). Fastening of cold-formed steel joists to other framing members shall be in accordance with Section R505.2.5 and Table R505.3.1(2).



For Inch Pound Units : 1 mm = 0.03937 inch.

**FIGURE R505.2.6.3
FLOOR JOIST WEB HOLE PATCH**

R505.3.2 Minimum floor joist sizes. Floor joist size and thickness shall be determined in accordance with the limits set forth in Table R505.3.2 for single or continuous spans. Where continuous joist members are used, the interior bearing supports shall be located within 610 mm (2 feet) of midspan of the cold-formed steel joists, and the individual spans shall not exceed the spans in Table R505.3.2. Floor joists shall have a bearing support length of not less than 38 mm (1½ inches) for exterior wall supports and 89 mm (3½ Inches) for interior wall supports. Tracks shall be not less than 0.84 mm (33 mils) thick except where used as part of a floor header or trimmer in accordance with Section R505.3.8. Bearing stiffeners shall be installed in accordance with Section R505.3.4.

R505.3.3 Joist bracing and blocking. Joist bracing and blocking shall be in accordance with this section.

R505.3.3.1 Joist top flange bracing. The top flanges of cold-formed steel joists shall be laterally braced by the application of floor sheathing fastened to the joists in accordance with Section R505.2.5 and Table R505.3.1(2).

R505.3.3.2 Joist bottom flange bracing/blocking. Floor joists with spans that exceed 3,660 mm (12 feet), shall have the bottom flanges laterally braced in accordance with one of the following:

1. Gypsum board installed with minimum No. 6 screws in accordance with Section R702.
2. Continuous steel straps installed in accordance with Figure R505.3.3.2(1). Steel straps shall be spaced at not greater than 3658 mm (12 feet) on center and shall be not less than 38 mm (1½ inches) in width and 0.84 mm (33 mils) in thickness. Straps shall be fastened to the bottom flange

of each joist with one No. 8 screw, fastened to blocking with two No. 8 screws, and fastened at each end (of strap) with two No. 8 screws. Blocking in accordance with Figure R505.3.3.2(1) or R505.3.3.2(2) shall be installed between joists at each end of the continuous strapping and at a maximum spacing of 3658 mm (12 feet) measured along the continuous strapping (perpendicular to the joist run). Blocking shall also be located at the termination of all straps. As an alternative to blocking at the ends, anchoring the strap to a stable building component with two No. 8 screws shall be permitted.

R505.3.3.3 Blocking at interior bearing supports. Blocking is not required for continuous back-to-back floor joists at bearing supports. Blocking shall be installed between every other joist for single continuous floor joists across bearing supports in accordance with Figure R505.3.1(7). Blocking shall consist of C-shaped or track section with a minimum thickness of 0.84 mm (33 mils). Blocking shall be fastened to each adjacent joist through a 0.84 mm (33-mil) clip angle, bent web of blocking or flanges of web stiffeners with two No. 8 screws on each side. The minimum depth of the blocking shall be equal to the depth of the joist minus 51 mm (2 inches). The minimum length of the angle shall be equal to the depth of the joist minus 51 mm (2 inches).

R505.3.3.4 Blocking at cantilevers. Blocking shall be installed between every other joist over cantilever bearing supports in accordance with Figure R505.3.1(4), R505.3.1(5) or R505.3.1(6). Blocking shall consist of C-shaped or track section with minimum thickness of 0.84mm (33 mils). Blocking shall be fastened to each

**TABLE R505.3.1(1)
FLOOR-TO-FOUNDATION OR BEARING WALL CONNECTION REQUIREMENTS^{a, b}**

FRAMING CONDITION	BASIC ULTIMATE WIND SPEED (m/s) AND EXPOSURE	
	49.17 m/s Exposure Category C or less than 62.15 m/s Exposure Category B	Less than 62.15 m/s Exposure Category C
Floor joist to wall track of exterior wall in accordance with Figure R505.3.1(1)	2-No. 8 screws	3-No. 8 screws
Rim track or end joist to load-bearing wall top track in accordance with Figure R505.3.1(1)	1-No. 8 screw at 610 mm o.c.	1-No. 8 screw at 610 mm o.c.
Rim track or end joist to wood sill in accordance with Figure R505.3.1(2)	Steel plate spaced at 1,220 mm o.c. with 4-No. 8 screws and 4-10d or 6-8d common nails	Steel plate spaced at 610 mm o.c. with 4-No. 8 screws and 4-10d or 6-8d common nails
Rim track or end joist to foundation in accordance with Figure R505.3.1(3)	12.5 mm minimum diameter anchor bolt and clip angle spaced at 1,830 mm o.c. with 8-No. 8 screws	12.5 mm minimum diameter anchor bolt and clip angle spaced at 1,220 mm o.c. with 8-No. 8 screws
Cantilevered joist to foundation in accordance with Figure R505.3.1(4)	12.5 mm minimum diameter anchor bolt and clip angle spaced at 1,830 mm o.c. with 8-No. 8 screws	12.5 mm minimum diameter anchor bolt and clip angle spaced at 1,220 mm o.c. with 8-No. 8 screws
Cantilevered joist to wood sill in accordance with Figure R505.3.1(5)	Steel plate spaced at 1,220 mm o.c. with 4-No. 8 screws and 4-10d or 6-8d common nails	Steel plate spaced at 610 mm o.c. with 4-No. 8 screws and 4-10d or 6-8d common nails
Cantilevered joist to exterior load-bearing wall track in accordance with Figure R505.3.1(6)	2-No. 8 screws	3-No. 8 screws

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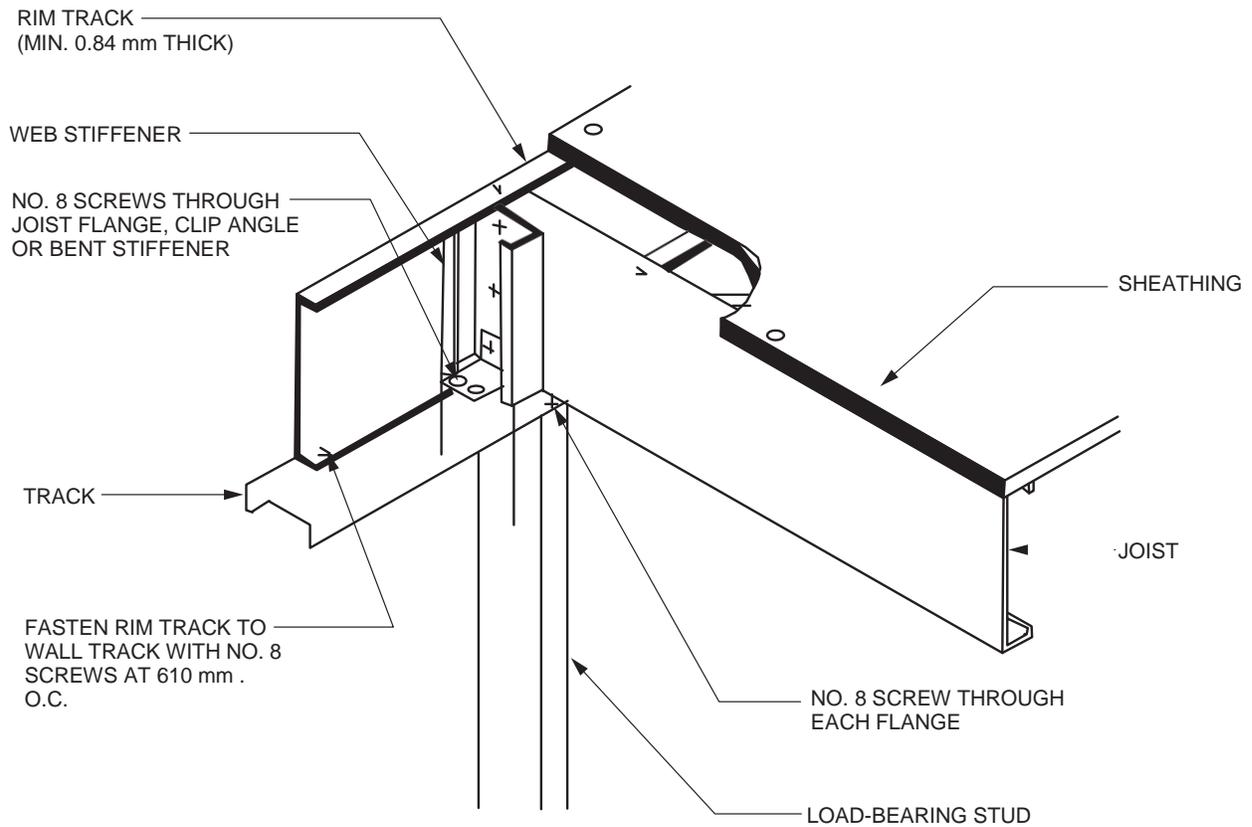
For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch , 1 kPa = 20.89 pound per square foot , 1 m/s = 2.25 mile per hour , 1 mm = 0.00328foot.

- a. Anchor bolts are to be located not more than 305 mm (12 inches) from corners or the termination of bottom tracks such as at door openings or corners. Bolts extend not less than 380 mm (15 inches) into masonry or 178 mm (7 inches) into concrete. Anchor bolts connecting cold-formed steel framing to the foundation structure are to be installed so that the distance from the center of the bolt hole to the edge of the connected member is not less than one and one-half bolt diameters.
- b. All screw sizes shown are minimum.

**TABLE R505.3.1(2)
FLOOR FASTENING SCHEDULE^a**

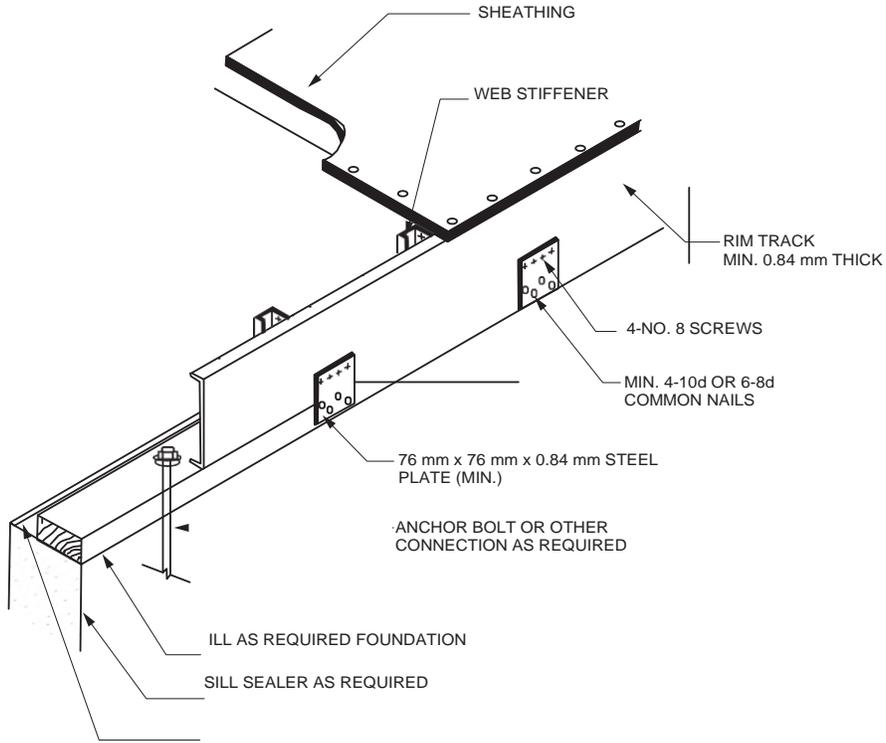
DESCRIPTION OF BUILDING ELEMENTS	NUMBER AND SIZE OF FASTENERS	SPACING OF FASTENERS
Floor joist to track of an interior load-bearing wall in accordance with Figures R505.3.1(7) and R505.3.1(8)	2 No. 8 screws	Each joist
Floor joist to track at end of joist	2 No. 8 screws	One per flange or two per bearing stiffener
Subfloor to floor joists	No. 8 screws	150 mm. o.c. on edges and 305 mm. o.c. at intermediate supports

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch .
a. All screw sizes shown are minimum.



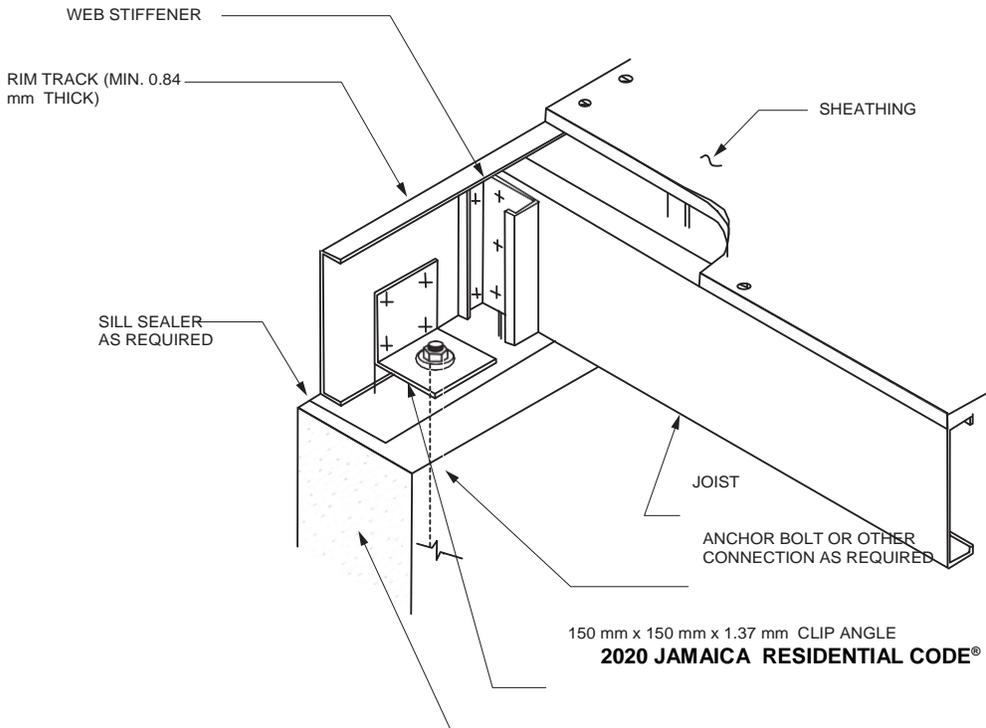
For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 39.37 mil , 1 mm = 0.03937 inch .

**FIGURE R505.3.1(1)
FLOOR-TO-EXTERNAL LOAD-BEARING WALL STUD CONNECTION**



For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 39.37 mil , 1 mm = 0.03937 inch **FIGURE R505.3.1(2)**
FLOOR-TO-WOOD-SILL CONNECTION

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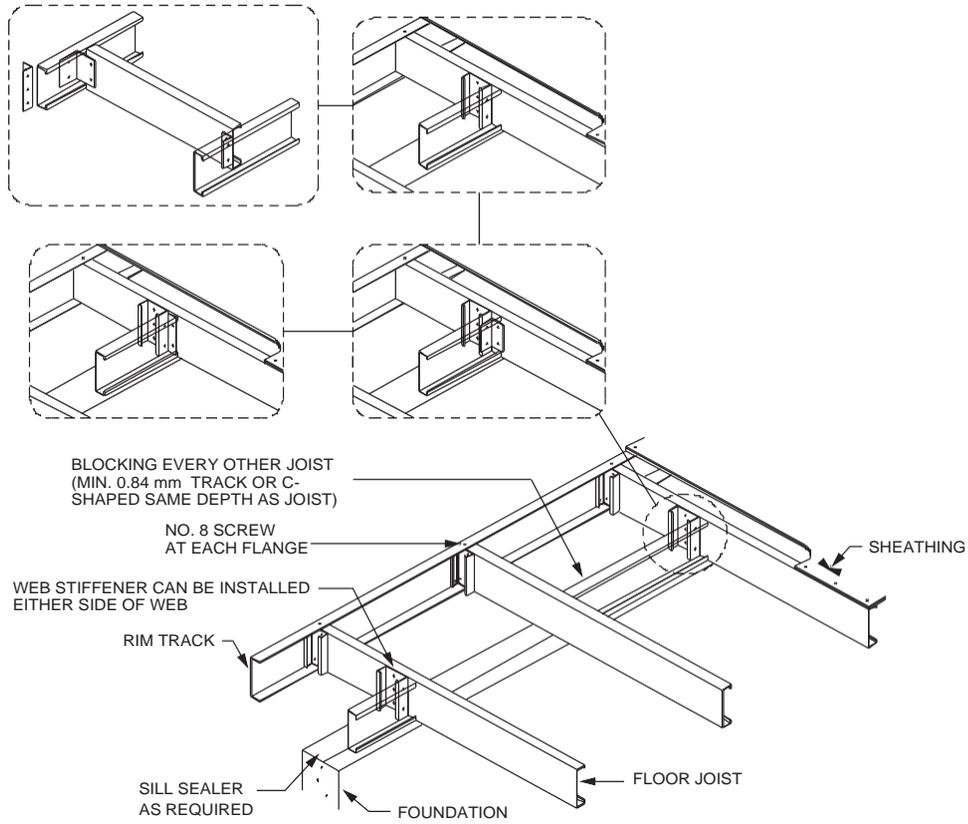
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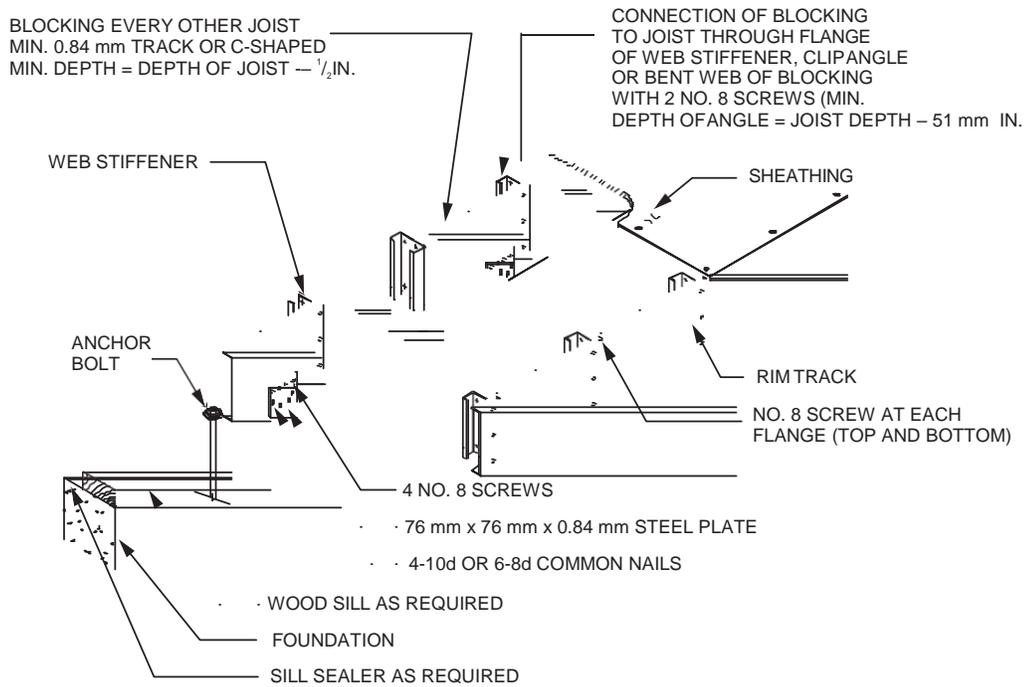
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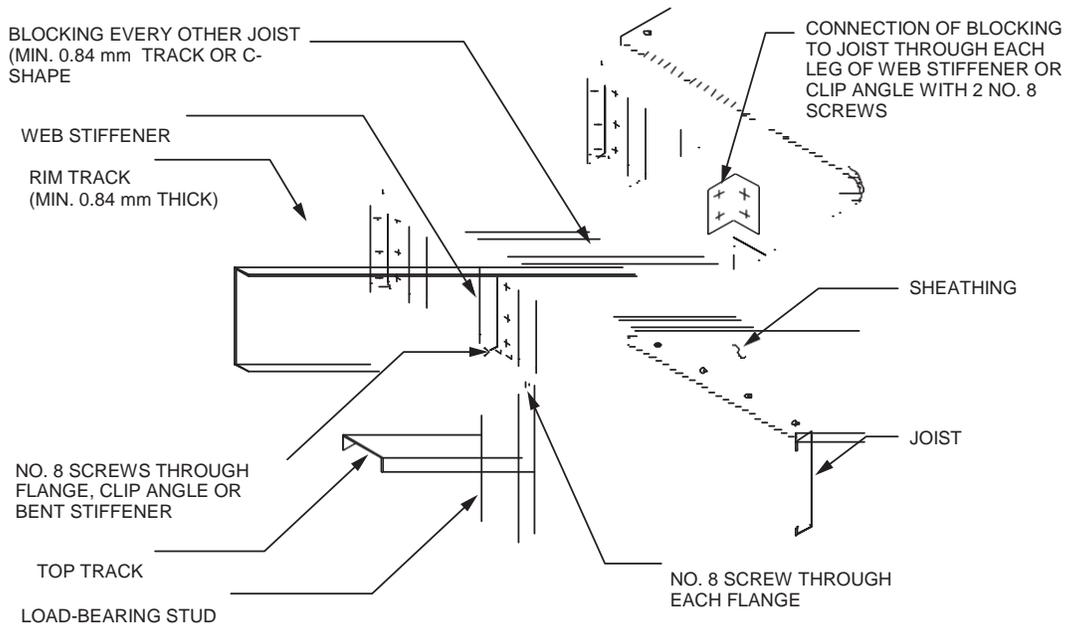
**FIGURE R505.3.1(4)
CANTILEVERED FLOOR-TO-FOUNDATION CONNECTION**



For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 39.37 mil, 1 mm = 0.03937 inch.

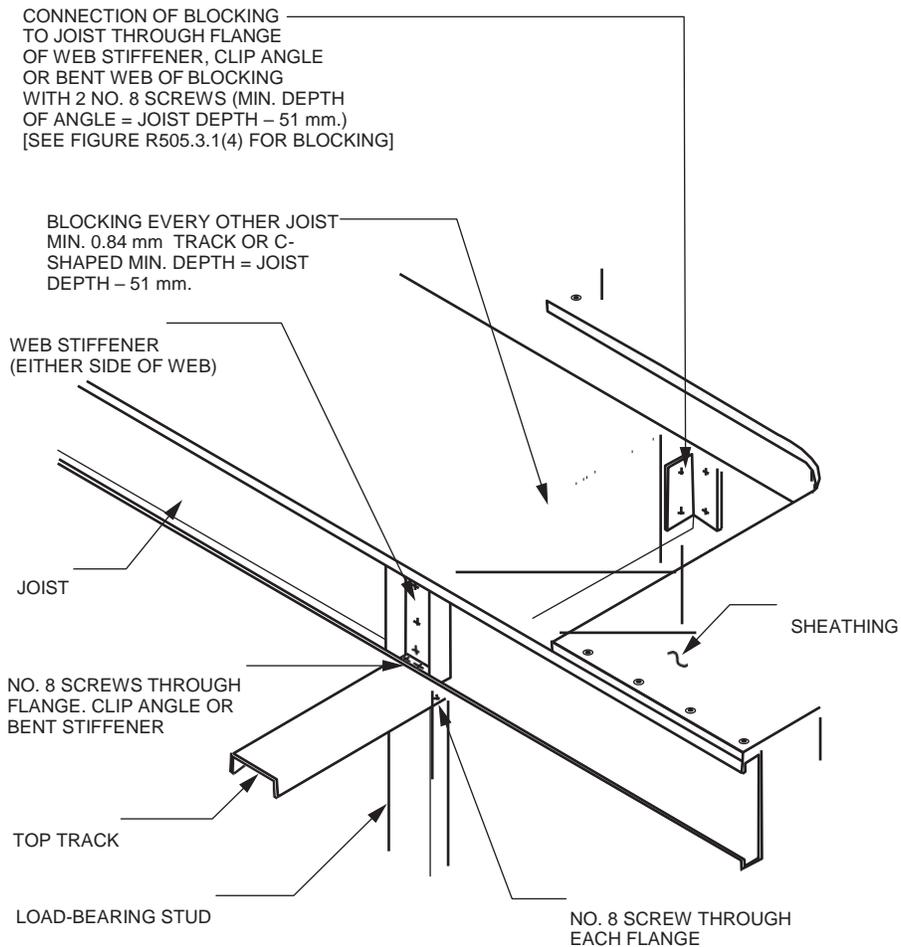
**FIGURE R505.3.1(5)
CANTILEVERED FLOOR-TO-WOOD-SILL CONNECTION**

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For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm= 39.37 mil .

FIGURE R505.3.1(6)
CANTILEVERED FLOOR TO EXTERIOR LOAD-BEARING WALL CONNECTION

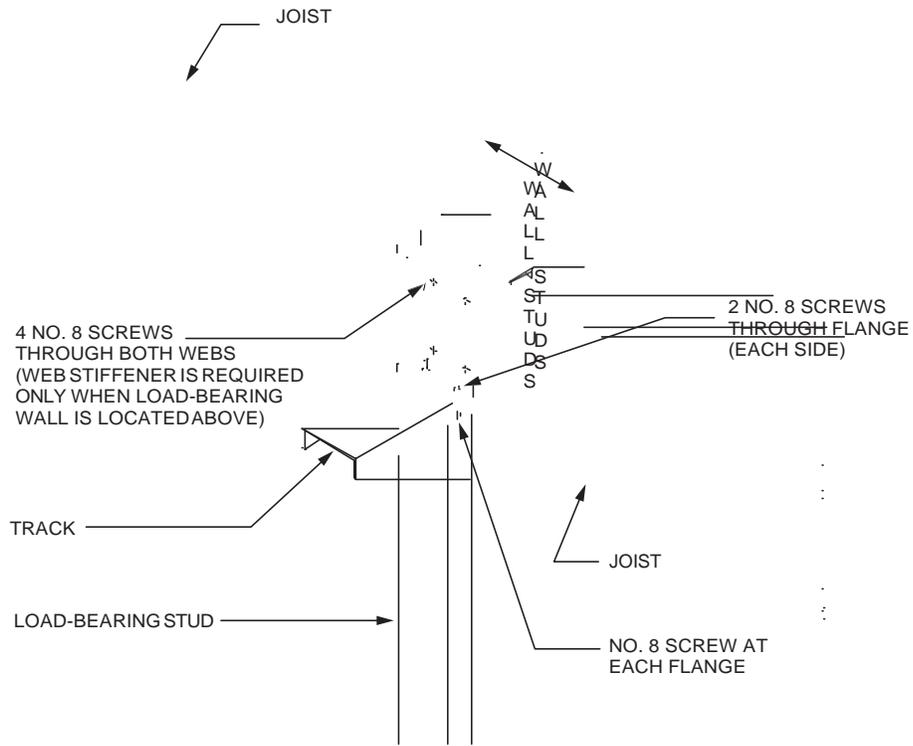


For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm= 39.37mil , 1 mm= 0.03937 inch .

FIGURE R505.3.1(7)

CONTINUOUS SPAN JOIST SUPPORTED ON INTERIOR LOAD-BEARING WALL

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For Inch Pound units: 1 mm= 0.03937 inch.

FIGURE R505.3.1(8)
LAPPED JOISTS SUPPORTED ON INTERIOR LOAD-BEARING WALL

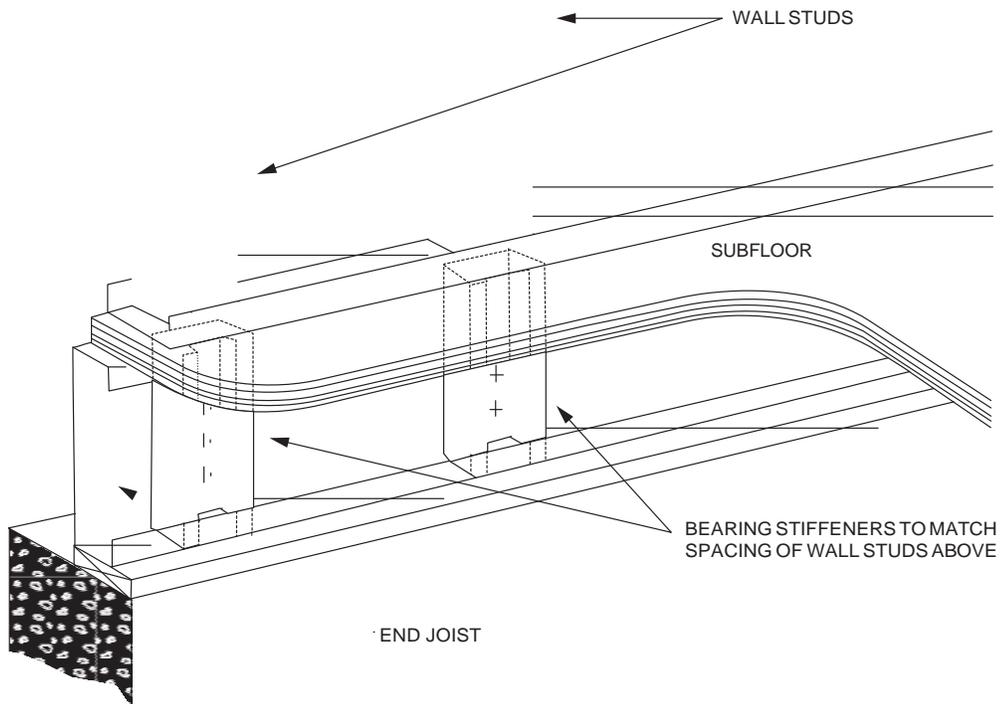


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b. BEARING STIFFENERS FOR END JOISTS

TABLE R505.3.2
ALLOWABLE SPANS FOR COLD-FORMED STEEL JOISTS—SINGLE OR CONTINUOUS SPANS^{a, b, c, d, e, f}

JOIST DESIGNATION	1450 Pa LIVE LOAD				1900 Pa LIVE LOAD			
	Spacing (mm)				Spacing (mm)			
	305	305	490	610	305	405	490	610
550S162-33	3550	3150	2850	2550	3200	2800	2550	2300
550S162-43	3860	3500	3250	3150	3500	3150	3000	2800
550S162-54	4150	3750	3500	3250	3750	3400	3250	3000
550S162-68	4450	4050	3800	3550	4050	3650	3450	3200
800S162-33	4400	3800	3450	3100	3900	3350	3100	2750
800S162-43	5150	4600	4200	3750	4700	4050	3750	3300
800S162-54	5550	5050	4750	4400	5050	4600	4300	4000
800S162-68	6000	5460	5150	4750	5450	4950	4650	4350
1000S162-43	5900	5100	4650	4150	5250	4500	4150	3700
1000S162-54	6600	6000	5650	5250	6000	5450	5150	4750
1000S162-68	7150	6500	6150	5700	6500	5950	5550	5150
1200S162-54	7650	6950	6550	6000	6950	6350	5950	5300
1200S162-68	8300	7550	7100	6600	7550	6850	6450	5950

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.0328 foot, 1 kpa = 20.89 pound per square foot, 1 mm = 39.37 mil.

a. Deflection criteria: $L/480$ for live loads, $L/240$ for total loads.

b. Floor dead load = 480 Pa (10 psf).

c. Table provides the maximum clear span in millimetres (feet and inches).

d. Bearing stiffeners are to be installed at all support points and concentrated loads.

e. Minimum Grade 33 ksi steel shall be used for 0.84 mm (33 mil) and 1.09 mm (43 mil) thickness. Minimum Grade 50 ksi steel shall be used for 1.37 and 1.7 mm (54 and 68 mil) thickness.

f. Table R505.3.2 is not applicable for 800S162-33 and 1000S162-43 continuous joist members.

(top and bottom).

adjacent joist through bent web of blocking, 33 mil clip angle or flange of web stiffener with two No. 8 screws at each end. The depth of the blocking shall be equal to the depth of the joist. The minimum length of the angle shall be equal to the depth of the joist minus 51 mm (2 inches). Blocking shall be fastened through the floor sheathing and to the support with three No. 8 screws

R505.3.4 Bearing stiffeners. Bearing stiffeners shall be installed at each joist bearing location in accordance with this section, except for joists lapped over an interior support not carrying a load-bearing wall above. Floor joists supporting jamb studs with multiple members shall have two bearing stiffeners in accordance with Figure R505.3.4(1). Bearing stiffeners shall be fabricated from a

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C-shaped, track or clip angle member in accordance with the one of following:

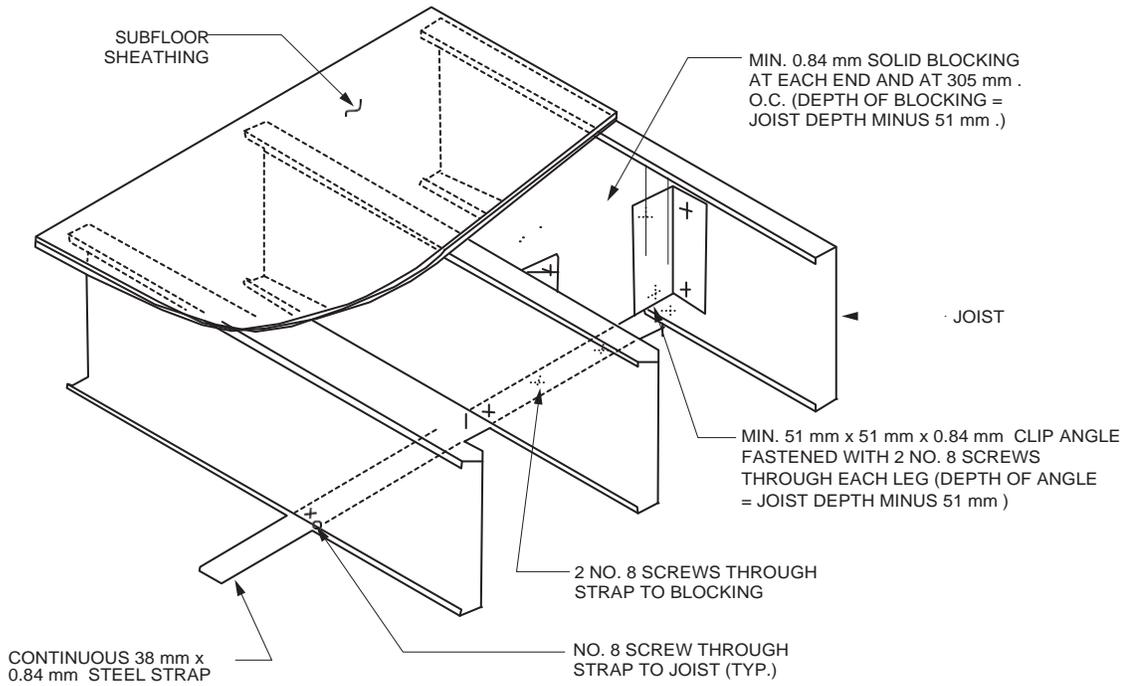
1. C-shaped bearing stiffeners:
 - 1.1. Where the joist is not carrying a load-bearing wall above, the bearing stiffener shall be a minimum 0.84 mm (33 mil) thickness.
 - 1.2. Where the joist is carrying a load-bearing wall above, the bearing stiffener shall be not less than the same designation thickness as the wall stud above.
2. Track bearing stiffeners:

- 2.1. Where the joist is not carrying a load-bearing wall above, the bearing stiffener shall be a minimum 1.09 mm (43 mil) thickness.
- 2.2. Where the joist is carrying a load-bearing wall above, the bearing stiffener shall be not less than one designation thickness greater than the wall stud above.

The minimum length of a bearing stiffener shall be the depth of member being stiffened minus 9.5 mm ($\frac{3}{8}$ inch). Each bearing stiffener shall be fastened to the web of the member it is stiffening as shown in Figure R505.3.4(2).

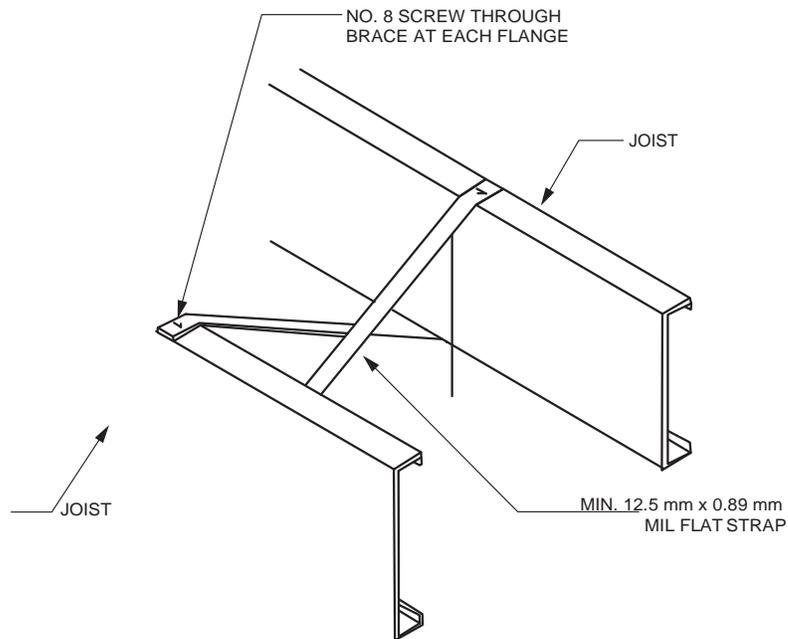
R505.3.5 Cutting and notching. Flanges and lips of load-bearing cold-formed steel floor framing members shall not be cut or notched.

R505.3.6 Floor cantilevers. Floor cantilevers for the top floor of a two- or three-story building or the first floor of a one-story building shall not exceed 610 mm (24 inches). Cantilevers, not exceeding 610 mm (24 inches) and supporting two stories and roof (first floor of a two-story building), shall be permitted provided that all cantilevered joists are doubled (nested or back-to-back). The doubled cantilevered joists shall extend not less than 1828 mm (6 feet) toward the inside and shall be fastened with not less than two No. 8 screws spaced at 610 mm (24 inches) on center through the webs (for back-to-back) or flanges (for nested joists).



For Inch Pound Units: 1mm = 39.37 mil,
1 mm = 0.03937 inch.

**FIGURE R505.3.3.2(1)
JOIST BLOCKING (SOLID)**



For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 39.37 mil,
1 mm = 0.03937 inch.

**FIGURE R505.3.3.2(2)
JOIST BLOCKING (STRAP)**

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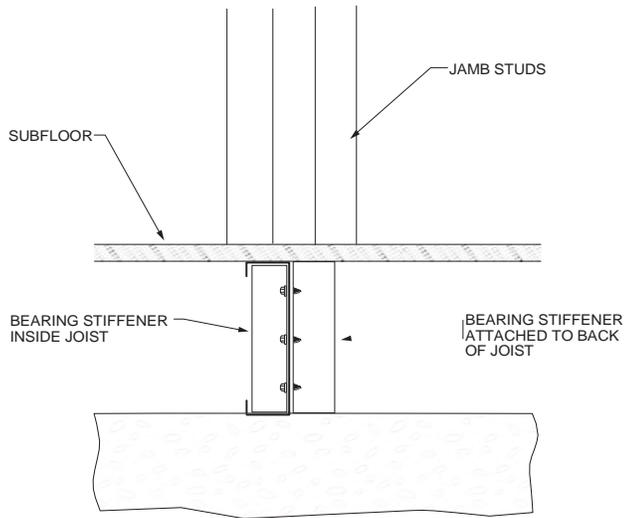


FIGURE R505.3.4(1)
BEARING STIFFENERS UNDER JAMB STUDS

R505.3.7 Splicing. Joists and other structural members shall not be spliced without an *approved* design. Splicing of tracks shall conform to Figure R505.3.7.

R505.3.8 Framing of floor openings. Openings in floors shall be framed with header and trimmer joists. Header joist spans shall not exceed 1,830 mm (6 feet) or 2,450 mm (8 feet) in length in accordance with Figure R505.3.8(1) or R505.3.8(2), respectively. Header and trimmer joists shall be fabricated from joist and track members, having a minimum size and thickness at least equivalent to the adjacent floor joists, and shall be installed in accordance with Figures R505.3.8(1), R505.3.8(2), R505.3.8(3) and R505.3.8(4).

Each header joist shall be connected to trimmer joists with four 51 mm by 51 mm (2-inch by 2-inch) clip angles. Each clip angle shall be fastened to both the header and trimmer joists with four No. 8 screws, evenly spaced, through each leg of the clip angle. The clip angles shall have a thickness not less than that of the floor joist. Each track section for a built-up header or trimmer joist shall extend the full length of the joist (continuous).

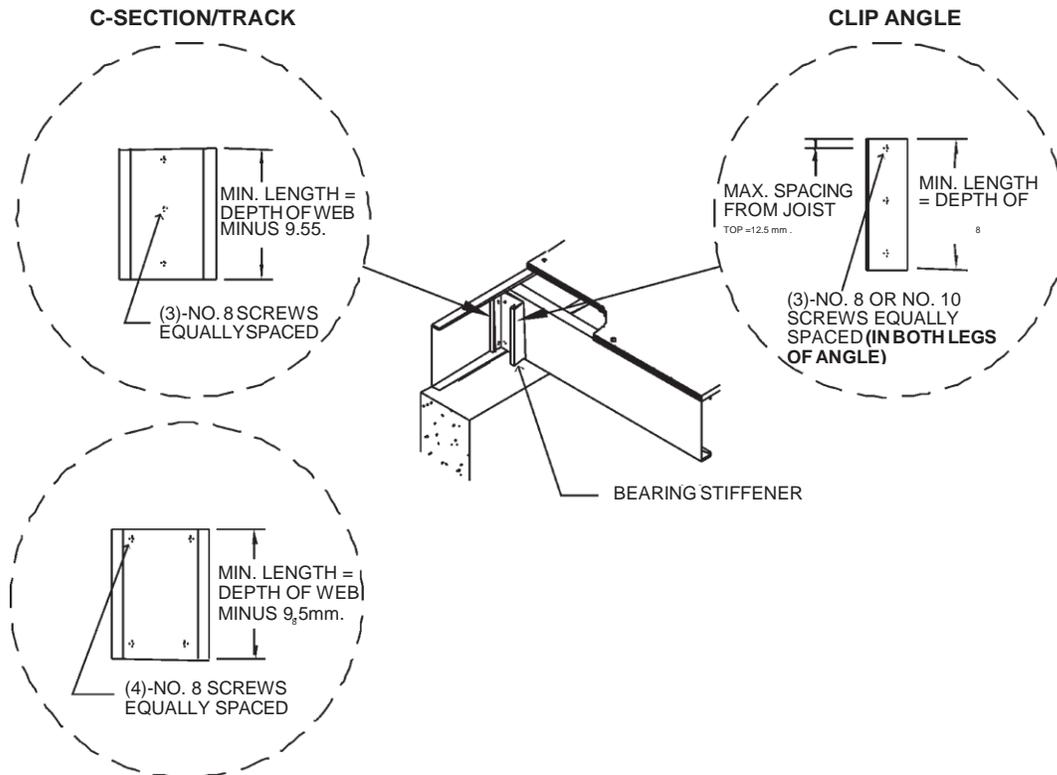
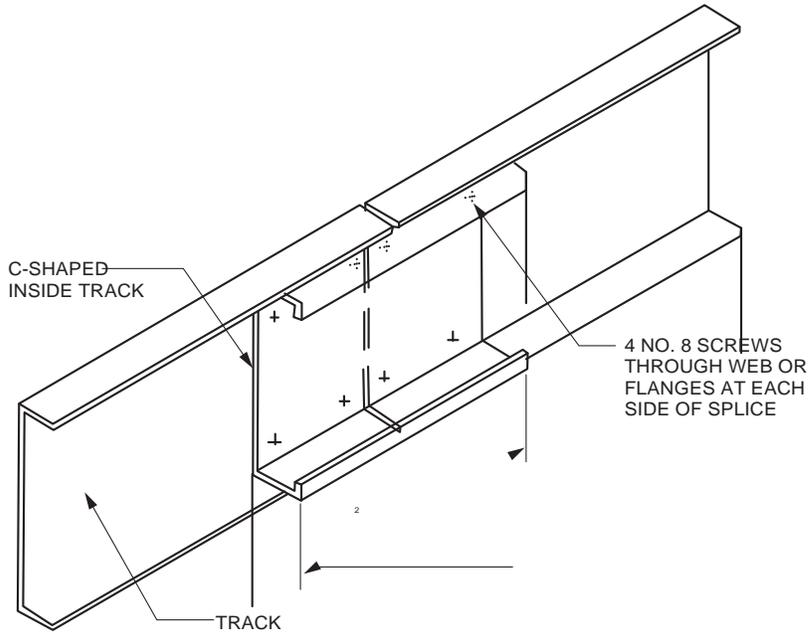


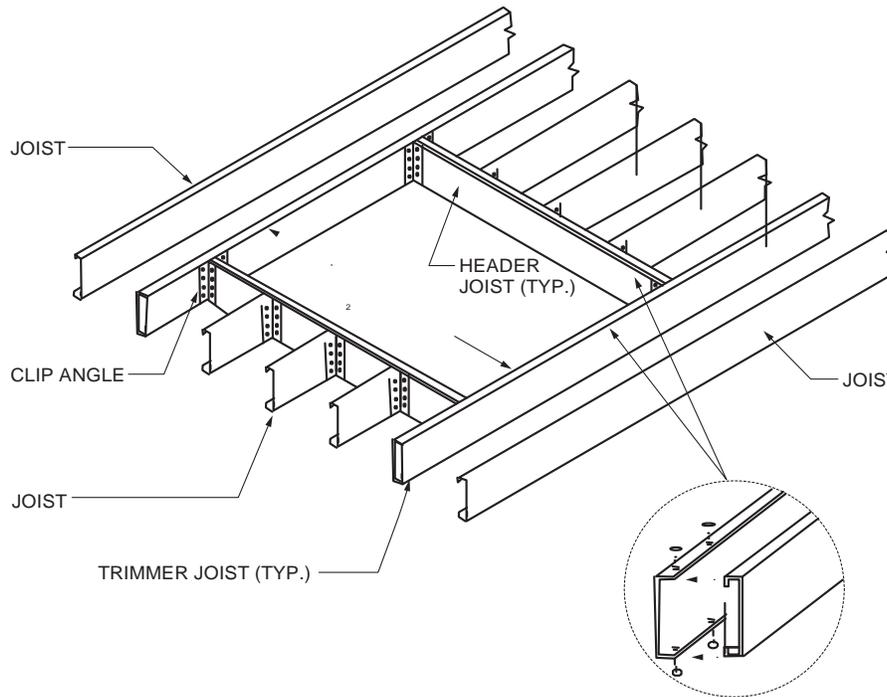
FIGURE R505.3.4(2)
BEARING STIFFENER

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm=0.03937 mm.



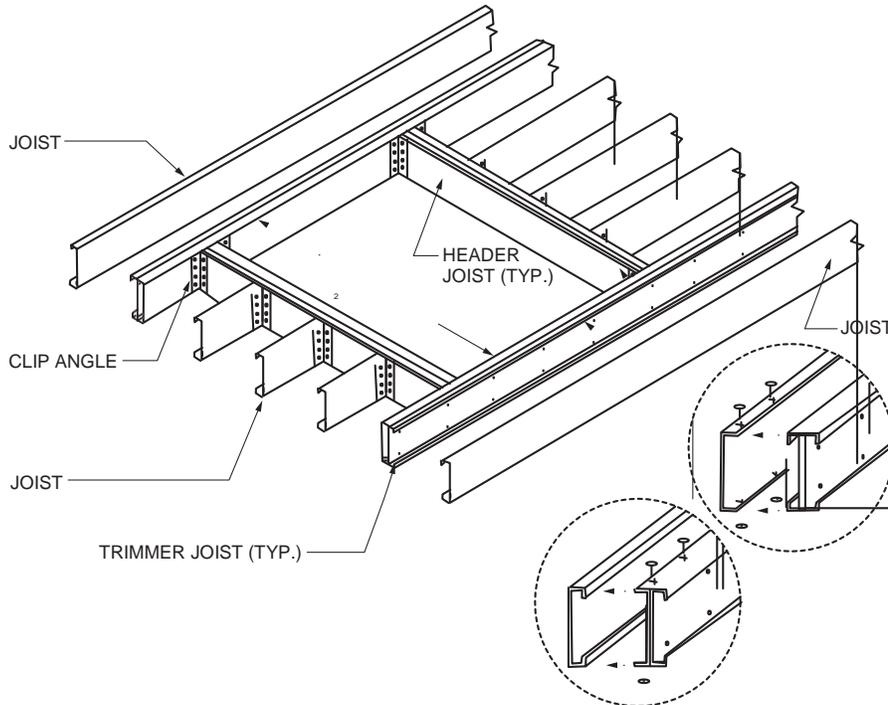
For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch.

FIGURE R505.3.7 TRACK SPLICE



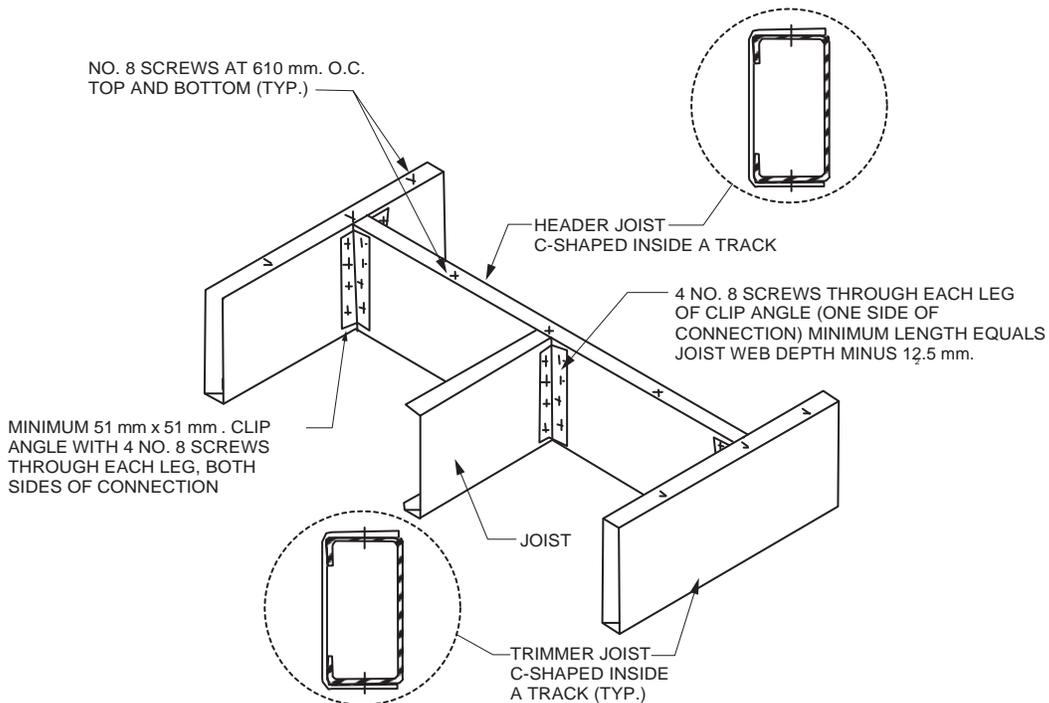
For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.00328 .

FIGURE R505.3.8(1) COLD-FORMED STEEL FLOOR CONSTRUCTION—1,830 mm FLOOR OPENING



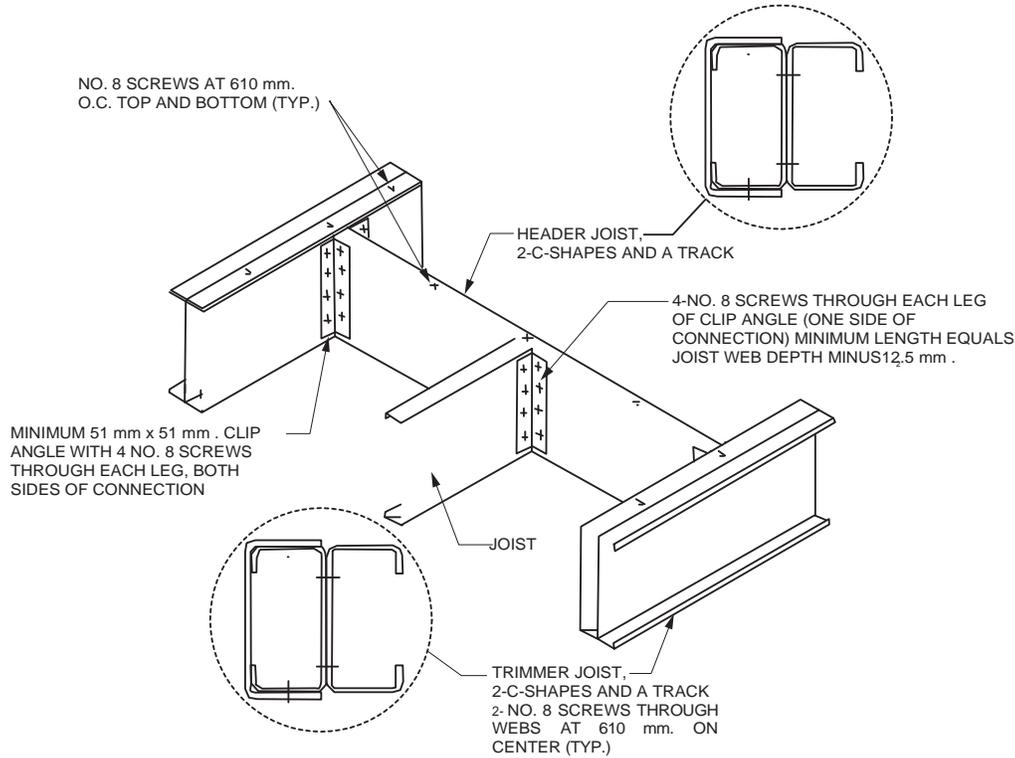
For Inch Pound Units : 1 mm= 0.00328.

FIGURE R505.3.8(2)
COLD-FORMED STEEL FLOOR CONSTRUCTION—2,450 mm FLOOR OPENING



For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch,
 1 mm = 0.00328foot.

FIGURE R505.3.8(3)
COLD-FORMED STEEL FLOOR CONSTRUCTION: FLOOR HEADER TO TRIMMER CONNECTION—1,830 mm OPENING



For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch,
1 mm = 0.00328 foot.

FIGURE R505.3.8(4)
COLD-FORMED STEEL FLOOR CONSTRUCTION: FLOOR HEADER TO TRIMMER CONNECTION—2,450 mm OPENING

SECTION R506
CONCRETE FLOORS (ON GROUND)

R506.1 General. Concrete slab-on-ground floors shall be designed and constructed in accordance with the provisions of this section or ACI 332. Floors shall be a minimum 100 mm (4 inches) thick (for expansive soils, see Section R403.1.8). The specified compressive strength of concrete shall be as set forth in Section R402.2.

R506.2 Site preparation. The area within the foundation walls shall have all vegetation, top soil and foreign material removed. .

R506.2.1 Fill. Fill material shall be free of vegetation and foreign material. The fill shall be compacted to

R506.2.3 Vapor retarder. A 0.15 mm (6-mil) (0.006 inch; 152 µm) polyethylene or *approved* vapor retarder with joints lapped not less than 150 mm (6 inches) shall be placed between the concrete floor slab and the base course or the prepared subgrade where a base course does not exist.

Exception: The vapor retarder is not required for the following:

1. Garages, utility buildings and other unheated *accessory structures*.
2. For unheated storage rooms having an area of less than 6.5 m² (70 square feet) and carports.
3. Driveways, walks, patios and other flatwork not likely to be enclosed and heated at a later date.

ensure uniform support of the slab, and except where *approved*, the fill depths shall not exceed 610 mm (24 inches) for clean sand or gravel and 205 mm (8 inches) for earth.

R506.2.2 Base. A 100 mm (4-inch) -thick base course consisting of clean graded sand, gravel, crushed stone, crushed concrete or crushed blast-furnace slag passing a 51 mm (2- inch) sieve shall be placed on the prepared sub-grade where the slab is below *grade*.

Exception: A base course is not required where the concrete slab is installed on well-drained or sand-gravel mixture soils classified as Group I according to the United Soil Classification System in accordance with Table R405.1.

4. Where *approved* by the *building official*, based on local site conditions.

R506.2.4 Reinforcement support. Where provided in slabs-on-ground, reinforcement shall be supported to remain in place from the center to upper one-third of the slab for the duration of the concrete placement. The reinforcement supports should be evenly distributed and preferably on concrete mini-blocks with dimensions not exceeding 40 mm x 40 mm x 50 mm. Care shall be taken to ensure that the reinforcement remains within the top one-third of the slab.

SECTION R507
EXTERIOR DECKS

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R507.1 Decks. Wood-framed decks shall be in accordance with this section. For decks using materials and conditions not prescribed in this section, refer to Section R301.



R507.2 Materials. Materials used for the construction of decks shall comply with this section.

R507.2.1 Wood materials. Wood materials shall be No. 2 grade or better lumber, preservative-treated in accordance with Section R317, or *approved*, naturally durable lumber, and termite protected where required in accordance with Section R318. Where design in accordance with Section R301 is provided, wood structural members shall be designed using the wet service factor defined in AWC NDS. Cuts, notches and drilled holes of preservative-treated wood members shall be treated in accordance with Section R317.1.1. All preservative-treated wood products in contact with the ground shall be labeled for such usage.

R507.2.1.1 Engineered wood products. Engineered wood products shall be in accordance with Section R502.

R507.2.2 Plastic composite deck boards, stair treads, guards, or handrails. Plastic composite exterior deck boards, stair treads, guards and handrails shall comply with the requirements of ASTM D7032 and this section.

R507.2.2.1 Labeling. Plastic composite deck boards and stair treads, or their packaging, shall bear a label that indicates compliance with ASTM D7032 and includes the allowable load and maximum allowable span determined in accordance with ASTM D7032. Plastic or composite handrails and guards, or their packaging, shall bear a label that indicates compliance with ASTM D7032 and includes the maximum allowable span determined in accordance with ASTM D7032.

R507.2.2.2 Flame spread index. Plastic composite deck boards, stair treads, guards, and handrails shall exhibit a flame spread index not exceeding 200 when tested in accordance with ASTM E84 or UL 723 with the test specimen remaining in place during the test.

Exception: Plastic composites determined to be noncombustible.

R507.2.2.3 Decay resistance. Plastic composite deck boards, stair treads, guards and handrails containing wood, cellulosic or other biodegradable materials shall be decay resistant in accordance with ASTM D7032.

R507.2.2.4 Termite resistance. Where required by Section 318, plastic composite deck boards, stair treads, guards and handrails containing wood, cellulosic or other biodegradable materials shall be termite resistant in accordance with ASTM D7032.

R507.2.2.5 Installation of plastic composites. Plastic composite deck boards, stair treads, guards and handrails shall be installed in accordance with this code and the manufacturer’s instructions.

R507.2.3 Fasteners and connectors. Metal fasteners and connectors used for all decks shall be in accordance with Section R317.3 and Table R507.2.3.

R507.2.4 Flashing. Flashing shall be corrosion-resistant metal of nominal thickness not less than 0.48 mm (0.019 inch) or *approved* nonmetallic material that is compatible with the substrate of the structure and the decking materials.

R507.2.5 Alternate materials. Alternative materials, including glass and metals, shall be permitted.

R507.3 Footings. Decks shall be supported on concrete footings or other approved structural systems designed to accommodate all loads in accordance with Section R301. Deck footings shall be sized to carry the imposed loads from the deck structure to the ground as shown in Figure R507.3. The footing depth shall be in accordance with Section R403.1.4.

Exception: Free-standing decks consisting of joists directly supported on grade over their entire length.

R507.3.1 Minimum size. The minimum size of concrete footings shall be in accordance with Table R507.3.1, based on the tributary area and allowable soil-bearing pressure in accordance with Table R401.4.1.

**TABLE R507.2.3
FASTENER AND CONNECTOR SPECIFICATIONS FOR DECKS^{a,b}**

ITEM	MATERIAL	MINIMUM FINISH/COATING	ALTERNATE FINISH/COATING ^c
Nails and timber rivets	In accordance with ASTM F1667	Hot-dipped galvanized per ASTM A153	Stainless steel, silicon bronze or copper
Bolts ^c Lag screws ^d (including nuts and washers)	In accordance with ASTM A307 (bolts), ASTM A563 (nuts), ASTM F844 (washers)	Hot-dipped galvanized per ASTM A153, Class C (Class D for 9.55 mm diameter and less) or mechanically galvanized per ASTM B695, Class 55 or 410 stainless steel	Stainless steel, silicon bronze or copper
Metal connectors	Per manufacturer’s specification	ASTM A653 type G185 zinc coated galvanized steel or post hot-dipped galvanized per ASTM A123 providing a minimum average coating weight of 610 g/m ² (total both sides)	Stainless steel

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm=0.03937 inch , 1 mm=0.00328foot .

a. Equivalent materials, coatings and finishes shall be permitted.

b. Fasteners and connectors exposed to salt water or located within 300 feet of a salt water shoreline shall be stainless steel.

c. Holes for bolts shall be drilled a minimum 0.79 mm (1/32 inch) and a maximum 1.6 mm (1/16 inch) larger than the bolt.

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- d. Lag screws 12.5 mm ($\frac{1}{2}$ inch) and larger shall be predrilled to avoid wood splitting per the National Design Specification (NDS) for Wood Construction.
- e. Stainless-steel-driven fasteners shall be in accordance with ASTM F1667.

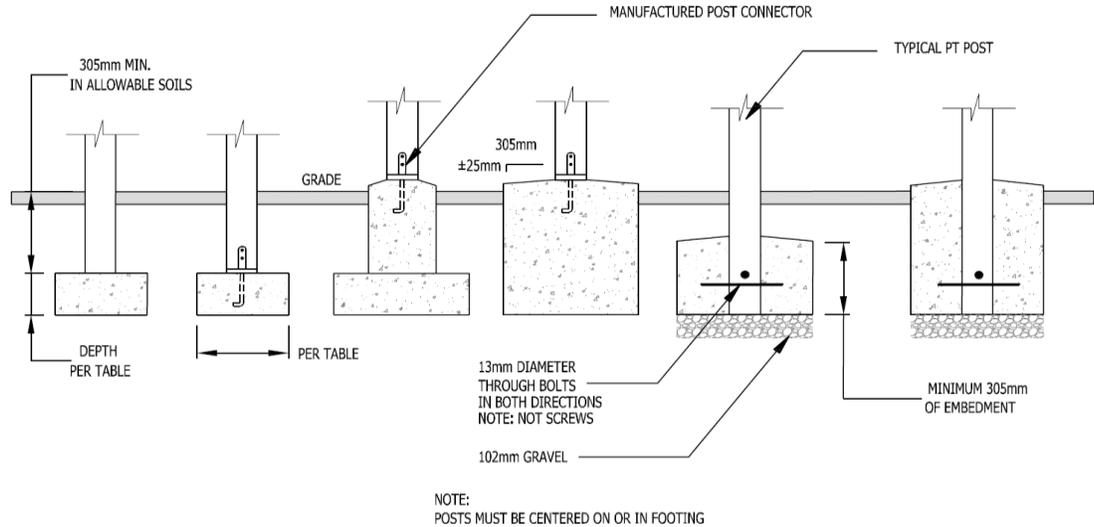


FIGURE R507.3
DECK POSTS TO DECK FOOTING CONNECTION

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 .

R507.3.2 Minimum depth. Deck footings shall extend below the frost line specified in Table R301.2(1) in accordance with Section R403.1.4.1.

Exceptions:

1. Free-standing decks that meet all of the following criteria:
 - 1.1. The joists bear directly on precast concrete pier blocks at grade without support by beams or posts.
 - 1.2. The area of the deck does not exceed 19.9 m² (200 square feet).
 - 1.3. The walking surface is not more than 508mm (20 inches) above grade at any point within 915 mm (36 inches) measured horizontally from the edge.
2. Free-standing decks need not be provided with footings that extend below the frost line.

R507.4 Deck posts. For single-level wood-framed decks with beams sized in accordance with Table R507.5, deck post size shall be in accordance with Table R507.4.

TABLE R507.4
DECK POST HEIGHT^a

DECK POST SIZE	MAXIMUM HEIGHT ^{a, b} (mm)
102 ○ 102	2050 ^c
102 ○ 150	205
150 ○ 150	355
205 ○ 205	355

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 kPa = 20.877 pound per square foot.

- a. Measured to the underside of the beam.
- b. Based on 1,900 Pa (40 psf) live load.
- c. The maximum permitted height is 2,450 mm (8 feet) for one-ply and two-ply beams. The maximum permitted height for three-ply beams on post cap is 2,050 mm (6 feet 9 inches).

R507.4.1 Deck post to deck footing connection. Where posts bear on concrete footings in accordance with Section R403 and Figure R507.4.1, lateral restraint shall be provided by manufactured connectors or a minimum post embedment of 305 mm (12 inches) in surrounding soils or concrete piers. Other footing systems shall be permitted.

Exception: Where expansive, compressible, shifting or other questionable soils are present, surrounding soils shall not be relied on for lateral support.

**TABLE R507.3.1
MINIMUM FOOTING SIZE FOR DECKS**

LIVE LOAD (Pa)	TRIBUTARY AREA (sq. m.)	LOAD BEARING VALUE OF SOILS ^{a,c,d,k} (Pa)											
		71.820°			95.76°			119.70°			≥ 143.64°		
		Side of a square footing (mm)	Diameter of a round footing (mm)	Thickness (mm)	Side of a square footing (mm)	Diameter of a round footing (mm)	Thickness (mm)	Side of a square footing (mm)	Diameter of a round footing (mm)	Thickness (mm)	Side of a square footing (mm)	Diameter of a round footing (mm)	Thickness (mm)
1900	1.85	305	355	150	12	355	150	305	35 5	150	305	355	150
	3.7	355	405	150	12	355	150	305	35 5	150	305	355	150
	5.57	431	482	150	381	431	150	331	38 1	150	305	355	150
	7.43	510	558	178	431	482	150	381	43 1	150	355	405	150
	9.29	558	635	205	482	533	150	431	48 2	150	381	431	150
	11.14	610	685	228	533	584	178	482	53 3	150	431	482	150
	13	661	736	255	558	635	205	510	58 4	178	457	533	150
	14.86	711	787	280	610	685	228	533	61 0	205	510	558	178
2400	1.85	305	355	150	305	355	150	305	35 5	150	305	355	150
	3.7	381	431	150	331	381	150	305	35 5	150	305	355	150
	5.57	480	533	150	405	457	150	355	40 5	150	331	381	150
	7.43	533	610	205	482	533	150	431	48 2	150	381	431	150
	9.29	610	685	228	533	584	178	482	53 3	150	431	482	150
	11.14	661	762	255	584	661	205	510	58 4	178	482	533	150
	13	711	812	280	635	711	228	558	63 5	205	510	584	178
	14.86	760	863	305	661	762	255	610	68 5	228	533	610	205
2800	1.85	305	355	150	305	355	150	305	35 5	150	305	355	150
	3.7	405	482	150	355	405	150	331	35 5	150	305	355	150
	5.57	510	584	178	431	510	150	405	45 7	150	355	405	150
	7.43	580	661	228	20	584	178	457	51 0	150	405	482	150
	9.29	661	736	255	558	635	205	510	58 4	178	457	533	150
	11.14	711	812	280	635	711	228	558	635	205	510	584	178
	13	787	889	305	685	762	255	610	685	228	558	610	205
	14.86	838	940	330	711	812	280	635	736	255	584	661	228
3300	1.85	305	355	150	305	355	150	305	355	150	305	355	150
	3.7	457	510	150	381	431	150	355	381	150	305	355	150
	5.57	533	610	205	480	533	150	431	482	150	381	431	150
	7.43	635	711	228	533	610	205	482	558	178	457	510	150
	9.29	711	787	280	610	685	228	533	610	205	510	558	178
	11.14	762	863	305	661	762	255	610	685	228	533	610	205
	13	838	940	330	711	812	280	635	736	255	584	661	228
	14.86	889	1016	381	762	865	305	685	787	280	635	711	228

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 m² = 10.76 square foot, 1 kPa = 20.89 pound per square foot.

a. Interpolation permitted, extrapolation not permitted.

- b. Based on highest load case: Dead + Live or Dead .
- c. Assumes minimum square footing to be 305 mm x 305 mm x 150 mm (12 inches x 12 inches x 6 inches) for 150 mm x 150 mm (6 inches x 6 inches) post.
- d. If the support is a brick or CMU pier, the footing shall have a minimum 51 mm (2-inch) projection on all sides.
- e. Area, in square metres (square feet), of deck surface supported by post and footings.

R507.5 Deck Beams. Maximum allowable spans for wood deck beams, as shown in Figure R507.5, shall be in accordance with Table R507.5. Beam plies shall be fastened with two rows of 10d (76 mm 3-inch) \odot 3.25 mm (0.128-inch) nails minimum at 405 mm (16 inches) on center along each edge. Beams shall be permitted to cantilever at each end up to one-fourth of the allowable beam span. Deck beams of other materials shall be permitted where designed in accordance with accepted engineering practices.

R507.5.1 Deck beam bearing. The ends of beams shall have not less than 38 mm ($1\frac{1}{2}$ inches) of bearing on wood or metal and not less than 76 mm (3 inches) of bearing on concrete or masonry for the entire width of the beam. Where multiple-span beams bear on intermediate posts, each ply shall have full bearing on the post in accordance with Figures R507.5.1(1) and R507.5.1(2).

R507.5.2 Deck beam connection to supports. Deck beams shall be attached to supports in a manner capable of transferring vertical loads and resisting horizontal displacement. Deck beam connections to wood posts shall be in accordance with Figures R507.5.1(1) and R507.5.1(2). Manufactured post-to-beam connectors shall be sized for the post and beam sizes. Bolts shall have washers under the head and nut.

R507.6 Deck joists. Maximum allowable spans for wood deck joists, as shown in Figure R507.6, shall be in accordance with Table R507.6. The maximum joist spacing shall be limited by the decking materials in accordance with Table R507.7. The maximum joist cantilever shall be limited to one-fourth of the joist span or the maximum cantilever length specified in Table R507.6, whichever is less.

R507.6.1 Deck joist bearing. The ends of joists shall have not less than 38 mm ($1\frac{1}{2}$ inches) of bearing on wood or metal and not less than 76 mm (3 inches) of bearing on concrete or masonry over its entire width. Joists bearing on top of a multiple-ply beam or ledger shall be fastened in accordance with Table R602.3(1). Joists bearing on top of a single-ply beam or ledger shall be attached by a mechanical connector. Joist framing into the side of a beam or ledger board shall be supported by approved joist hangers.

R507.6.2 Deck joist lateral restraint. Joist ends and bearing locations shall be provided with lateral resistance to prevent rotation. Where lateral restraint is provided by joist hangers or blocking between joists, their depth shall equal not less than 60 percent of the joist depth. Where lateral restraint is provided by rim joists, they shall be secured to the end of each joist with not fewer than three 10d {76 mm by 3.3 mm (3-inch by 0.128-inch)} nails or three No. 10 x 76 mm (3-inch) long wood screws.

R507.7 Decking. Maximum allowable spacing for joists supporting decking shall be in accordance with Table R507.7. Wood decking shall be attached to each supporting member with not less than two 8d threaded nails or two No. 8 wood screws. Other approved decking or fastener systems shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's installation requirements.

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R507.8 Vertical and lateral supports. Where supported by attachment to an exterior wall, decks shall be positively anchored to the primary structure and designed for both vertical and lateral loads. Such attachment shall not be accomplished by the use of toenails or nails subject to withdrawal. For decks with cantilevered framing members, connection to exterior walls or other framing members shall be designed and constructed to resist uplift resulting from the full live load specified in Table R301.5 acting on the cantilevered portion of the deck. Where positive connection to the primary building structure cannot be verified during inspection, decks shall be self-supporting.

R507.9 Vertical and lateral supports at band joist. Vertical and lateral supports for decks shall comply with this section.

R507.9.1 Vertical supports. Vertical loads shall be transferred to band joists with ledgers in accordance with this section.

R507.9.1.1 Ledger details. Deck ledgers shall be a minimum 51 mm by 205 mm (2-inch by 8-inch) nominal, pressure-preservative-treated Southern pine, incised pressure-preservative-treated hem-fir, or approved, naturally durable, No. 2 grade or better lumber. Deck ledgers shall not support concentrated loads from beams or girders. Deck ledgers shall not be supported on stone or masonry veneer.

R507.9.1.2 Band joist details. Band joists supporting a ledger shall be a minimum 51 mm (2-inch)-nominal, solid-sawn, spruce-pine-fir or better lumber or a minimum 25.4 mm by 241 mm (1-inch by $9\frac{1}{2}$ -inch) dimensional, Douglas fir or better, laminated veneer lumber. Band joists shall bear fully on the primary structure capable of supporting all required loads.

R507.9.1.3 Ledger to band joist details. Fasteners used in deck ledger connections in accordance with Table R507.9.1.3(1) shall be hot-dipped galvanized or stainless steel and shall be installed in accordance with Table R507.9.1.3(2) and Figures R507.9.1.3(1) and R507.9.1.3(2).

R507.9.1.4 Alternate ledger details. Alternate framing configurations supporting a ledger constructed to meet the load requirements of Section R301.5 shall be permitted.

R507.9.2 Lateral connection. Lateral loads shall be transferred to the ground or to a structure capable of transmitting them to the ground. Where the lateral load connection is provided in accordance with Figure R507.9.2(1), hold-down tension devices shall be installed in not less than two locations per deck, within 610 mm (24 inches) of each end of the deck. Each device shall have an allowable stress design capacity of not less than 6,672 N (1,500 pounds). Where the lateral load connections are provided in accordance with Figure R507.9.2(2), the hold-down tension devices shall be installed in not less than four locations per deck, and each device shall have an allowable stress design capacity of not less than 3336 N (750 pounds).

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SPECIES ^c	SIZE ^d	DECK JOIST SPAN LESS THAN OR EQUAL TO: (mm)
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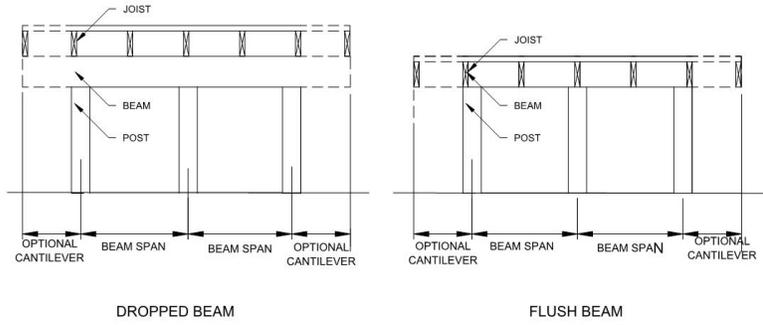


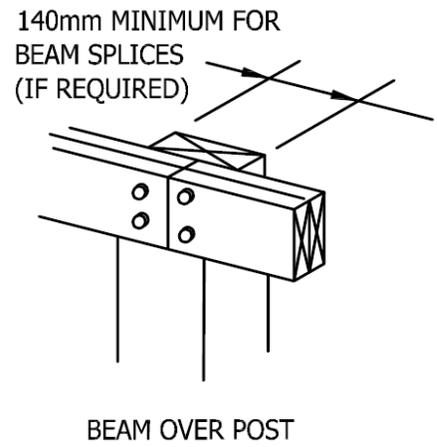
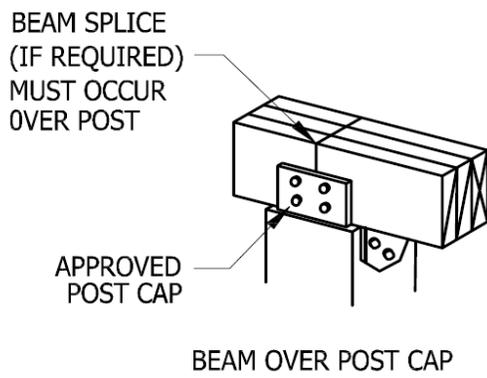
FIGURE R507.5
TYPICAL DECK JOIST SPANS

TABLE R507.5
DECK BEAM SPAN LENGTHS^{a, b, g} (mm)

		150	205	255	305	355	405	457
Southern pine	355 ○ 150	1498	1219	1050	950	900	850	800
	355 ○ 205	1800	1550	1400	1250	850	1050	1050
	355 ○ 255	2150	1828	1650	1500	1400	1300	1400
	355 ○ 305	2500	2150	1950	1750	1650	1550	1450
	661 ○ 150	2100	1800	1600	1450	1350	1300	1200
	661 ○ 205	2650	2300	2050	1850	1750	1600	1500
	661 ○ 255	3150	2750	2450	2250	2050	1950	1828
	965 ○ 305	3700	3200	2850	2600	2450	2250	2350
	965 ○ 150	2450	2250	2050	1850	1700	1600	1500
	965 ○ 205	3300	2900	2600	2350	2150	2050	1950
	965 ○ 255	3950	3400	3050	2800	2600	2400	2250
965 ○ 305	4650	4050	3600	3350	3050	2850	2650	
Douglas fir-larch ^e , hem-fir ^e , spruce-pine-fir ^e , redwood, western cedars, ponderosa pine ^f , red pine ^f	76 ○ 150 or 661 x 150	1650	1450	1250	1150	1050	950	850
	76 ○ 205 or 661 ○ 205	2050	1800	1600	1450	1350	1250	1100
	76 ○ 255 or 661 ○ 255	2550	2200	1950	1800	1650	1550	1450
	76 ○ 305 or 661 ○ 305	2950	2550	2250	2250	1950	1800	1700
	102 ○ 150	1950	1650	1500	1350	1250	1200	1100
	102 ○ 205	2550	2200	1950	1800	1650	1550	1450
	102 ○ 255	3000	2600	2350	2150	1950	1850	1750
	102 ○ 305	3450	3050	2700	2450	2250	2150	2000
	965 ○ 150	2250	2050	1828	1650	1550	1450	1350
	965 ○ 205	2950	2600	2300	2100	1950	1828	1700
	965 ○ 255	3650	3100	2850	2600	2350	2250	2100
965 ○ 305	4250	3650	3250	3000	2750	2600	2450	

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 kPa = 20.89 pound per square foot, 1 kg = 2.2 pound

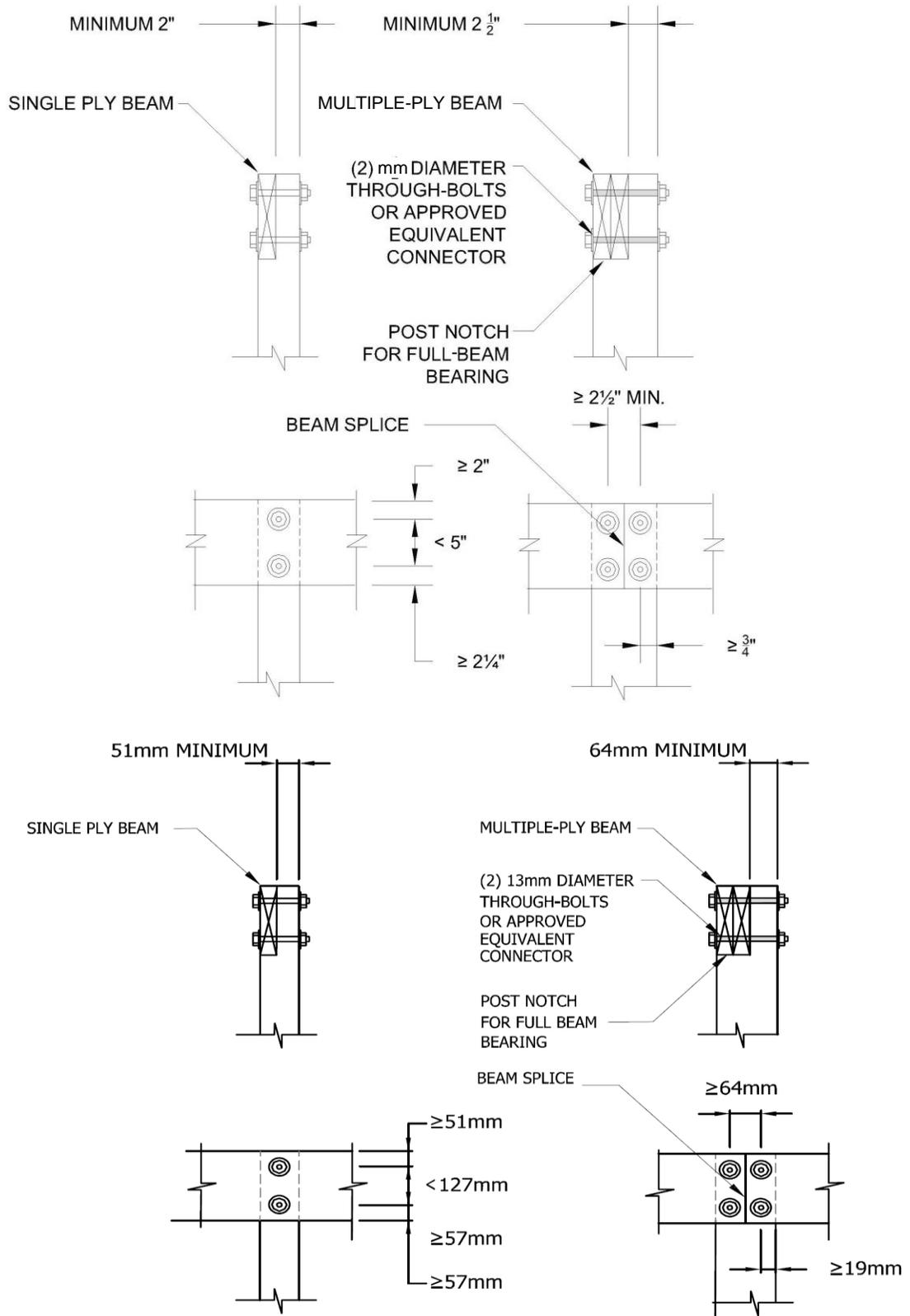
- a. , live load = 1900 Pa (40 psf.) dead load =480 Pa (10 psf), L/□ = 360 at main span, L/□ = 180 at cantilever with a 100 kg (220-pound) point load applied at the end.
- b. Beams supporting deck joists from one side only.
- c. No. 2 grade, wet service factor.
- d. Beam depth shall be greater than or equal to depth of joists with a flush beam condition.
- e. Includes incising factor.
- f. Northern species. Incising factor not included.
- g. Beam cantilevers are limited to the adjacent beam's span divided by 4.



For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm= 0.03937 inch

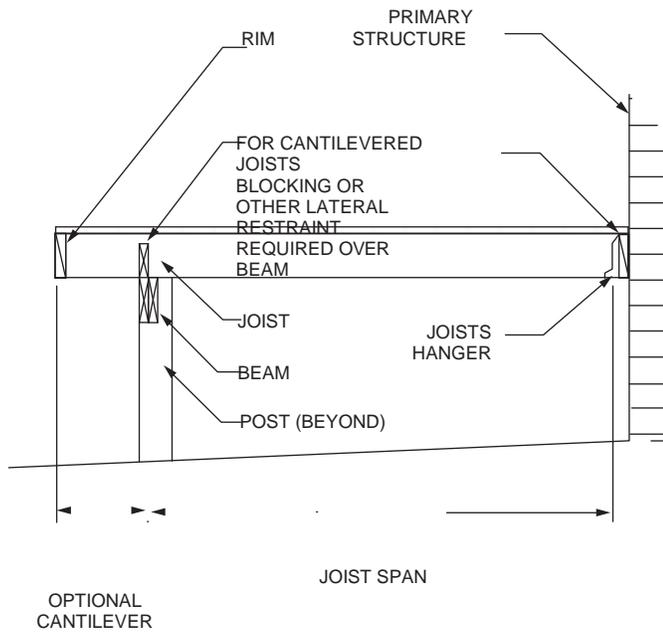
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BEAM TO DECK POST**

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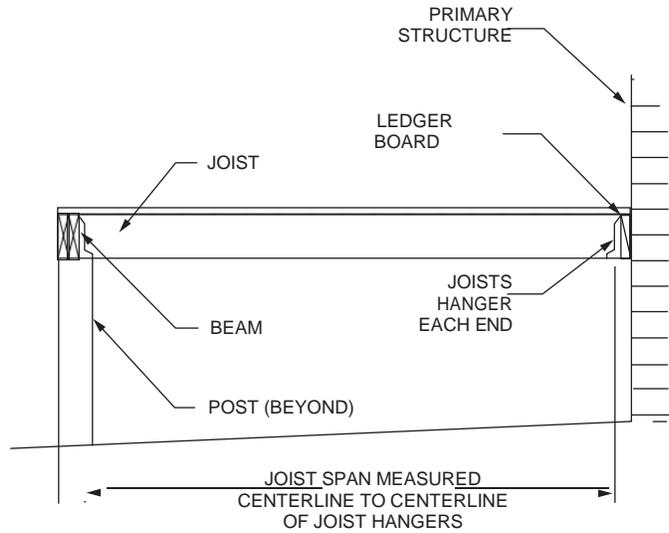


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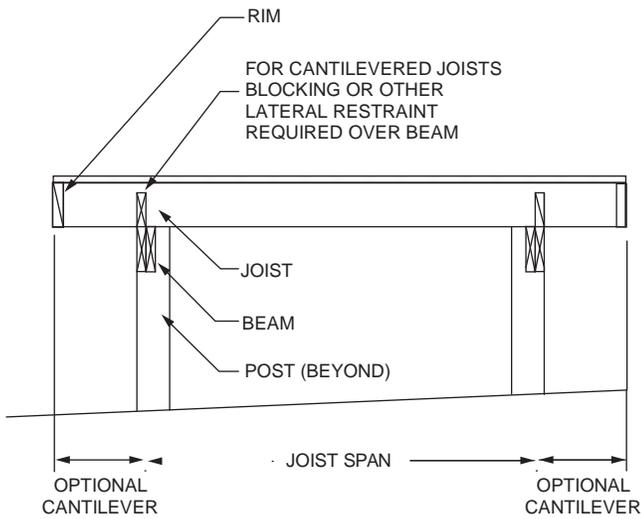
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NOTCHED POST-TO-BEAM CONNECTION



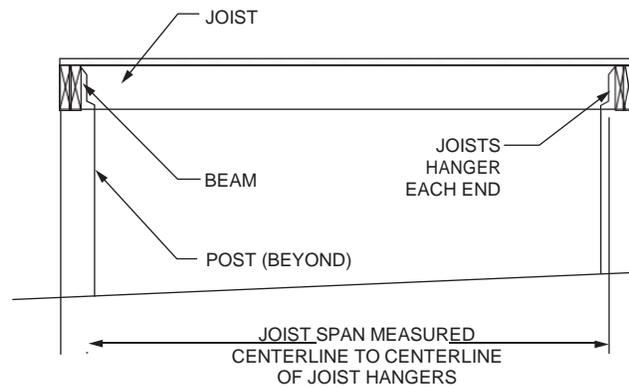
CANTILEVERED JOISTS WITH DROPPED BEAM



JOISTS WITH FLUSH BEAM



JOISTS ON FREE-STANDING DECK WITH DROPPED BEAM



JOISTS ON FREE-STANDING DECK WITH FLUSH BEAM

FIGURE R507.6
TYPICAL DECK JOIST SPANS

**TABLE R507.6
DECK JOIST SPANS FOR COMMON LUMBER SPECIES (mm.)**

SPECIES ^a	SIZE	ALLOWABLE JOIST SPAN ^b			MAXIMUM CANTILEVER ^{c,f}		
		SPACING OF DECK JOISTS (mm)			SPACING OF DECK JOISTS WITH CANTILEVERS ^c (mm)		
		305	405	610	305	405	610
Southern pine	51 ○ 150	3050	2750	2300	350	400	450
	51 ○ 205	3950	3600	2850	650	650	750
	51 ○ 255	4950	4250	3450	1000	1050	850
	51 ○ 305	5450	5050	4100	1350	1250	1050
Douglas fir-larch ^d , hem-fir ^d spruce-pine-fir ^d ,	51 ○ 150	2900	2650	2150	350	350	450
	51 ○ 205	3800	3350	2750	550	650	650
	51 ○ 255	4700	4150	3350	950	1050	850
	51 ○ 305	5450	4800	3900	1350	1200	950
Redwood, western cedars, ponderosa pine ^e , red pine ^e	51 ○ 150	2650	2450	2150	300	350	350
	51 ○ 205	3550	3200	2650	510	550	600
	51 ○ 255	4550	3950	3200	800	850	800
	51 ○ 305	5300	4600	3750	1150	1150	950

For Inch Pound Units : 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 kPa = 20.89 pound per square foot, 1 kg = 2.2 pound .

- a. No. 2 grade with wet service factor.
- b. live load = 1900 Pa (40 psf), dead load = 480 Pa (10 psf), L/□ = 360.
- c. live load = 1900 Pa (40 psf), dead load = 480 Pa (10 psf), L/□ = 360 at main span, L/□ = 180 at cantilever with a 100 kg (220-pound) point load applied to end.
- d. Includes incising factor.
- e. Northern species with no incising factor.
- f. Cantilevered spans not exceeding the nominal depth of the joist are permitted.

**TABLE R507.7
MAXIMUM JOIST SPACING FOR DECKING**

DECKING MATERIAL TYPE AND NOMINAL SIZE	MAXIMUM ON-CENTER JOIST SPACING	
	Decking perpendicular to joist	Decking diagonal to joist ^a
32 mm -thick wood	405 mm	305 mm
51 mm-thick wood	610 mm	405 mm
Plastic composite	In accordance with Section R507.2	In accordance with Section R507.2

For Inch Pound Units : 1 mm = .03937 inch , 1 mm= 0.00328 foot , 1 degree = 0.01745 rad.
a. Maximum angle of 45 degrees from perpendicular for wood deck boards.

TABLE R507.9.1.3(1)
DECK LEDGER CONNECTION TO BAND JOIST^{a, b}
 (Deck live load = 1900 Pa, deck dead load = 480 Pa)

CONNECTION DETAILS	JOIST SPAN						
	1828 and less	1828,25.4 to 2438	2438,25.4 to 3050	3050,25.4 to 3657	3657, 25.4 to 4267	4267,25.4 to 4876	4876,25.4 to 5486
	On-center spacing of fasteners						
12.5 mm diameter lag screw with 12.5 mm maximum sheathing ^{c, d}	30	23	18	15	13	11	10
12.5 mm diameter bolt with 12.5 mm maximum sheathing ^d	36	36	34	29	24	21	19
12.5 mm diameter bolt with 25.4 mm maximum sheathing ^e	36	36	29	24	21	18	16

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 kPa = 20.89 pound per square foot.

- a. Ledgers shall be flashed in accordance with Section R703.4 to prevent water from contacting the house band joist.
- b. .
- c. The tip of the lag screw shall fully extend beyond the inside face of the band joist.
- d. Sheathing shall be wood structural panel or solid sawn lumber.
- e. Sheathing shall be permitted to be wood structural panel, gypsum board, fiberboard, lumber or foam sheathing. Up to 12.5 mm (1/2-inch) thickness of stacked washers shall be permitted to substitute for up to 12.5 mm (1/2-inch) of allowable sheathing thickness where combined with wood structural panel or lumber sheathing.

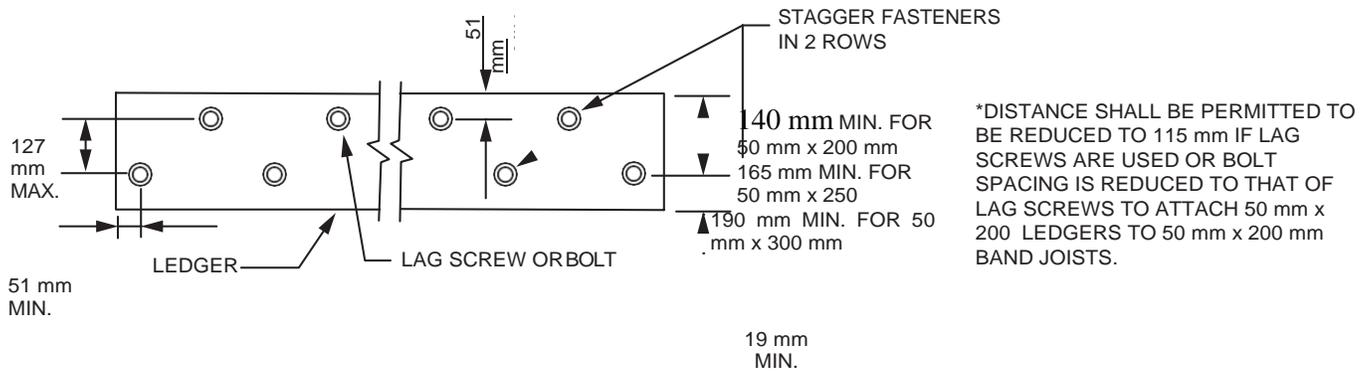
TABLE R507.9.1.3(2)
PLACEMENT OF LAG SCREWS AND BOLTS IN DECK LEDGERS AND BAND JOISTS

MINIMUM END AND EDGE DISTANCES AND SPACING BETWEEN ROWS				
	TOP EDGE	BOTTOM EDGE	ENDS	ROW SPACING
Ledger ^a	51 mm ^d	19 mm	51 mm ^b	41 mm ^b
Band Joist ^c	19 mm	51 mm	51 mm ^b	41 mm ^b

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm= 0.03937 inch .

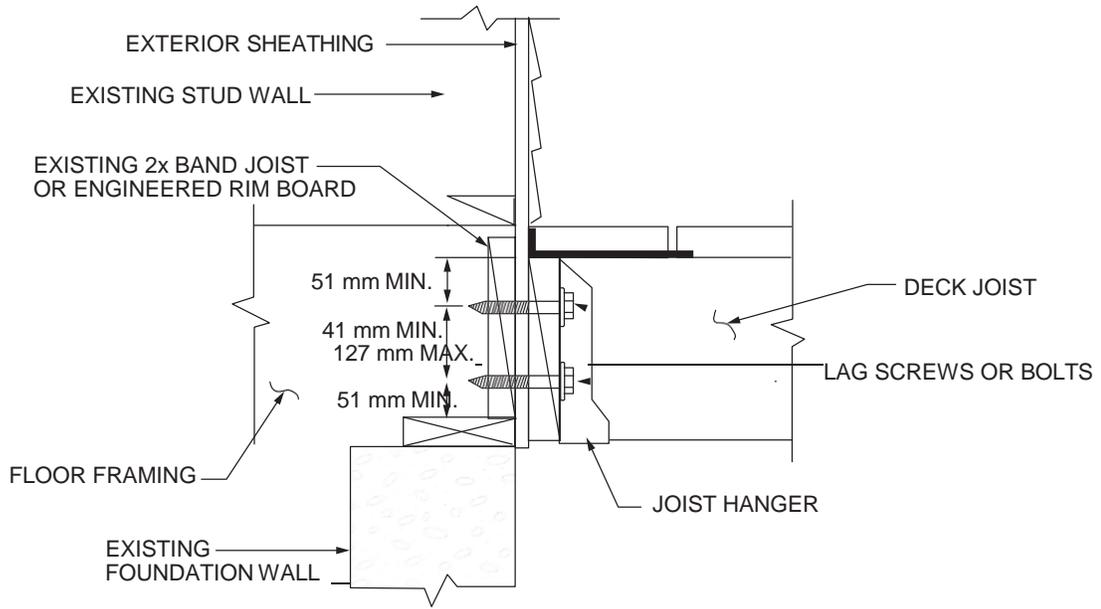
- a. Lag screws or bolts shall be staggered from the top to the bottom along the horizontal run of the deck ledger in accordance with Figure R507.9.1.3(1).
- b. Maximum 127 mm (5 inches).
- c. For engineered rim joists, the manufacturer’s recommendations shall govern.
- d. The minimum distance from bottom row of lag screws or bolts to the top edge of the ledger shall be in accordance with Figure R507.9.1.3(1).

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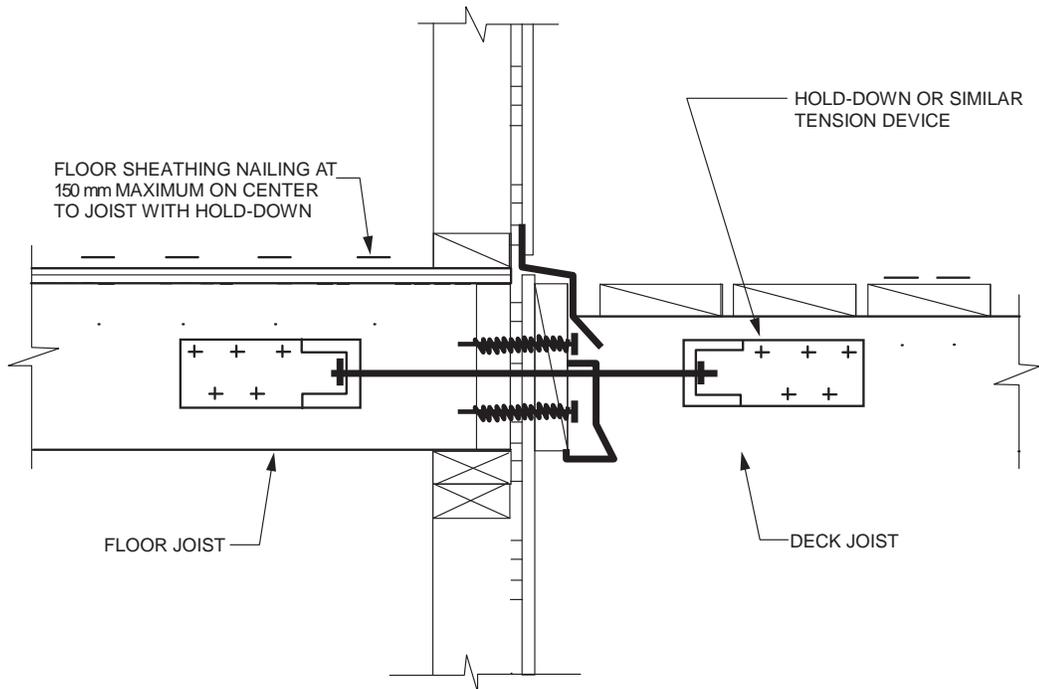
For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch.

**FIGURE R507.9.1.3(1)
PLACEMENT OF LAG SCREWS AND BOLTS IN LEDGERS**



For Inch Pound Unit: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch.

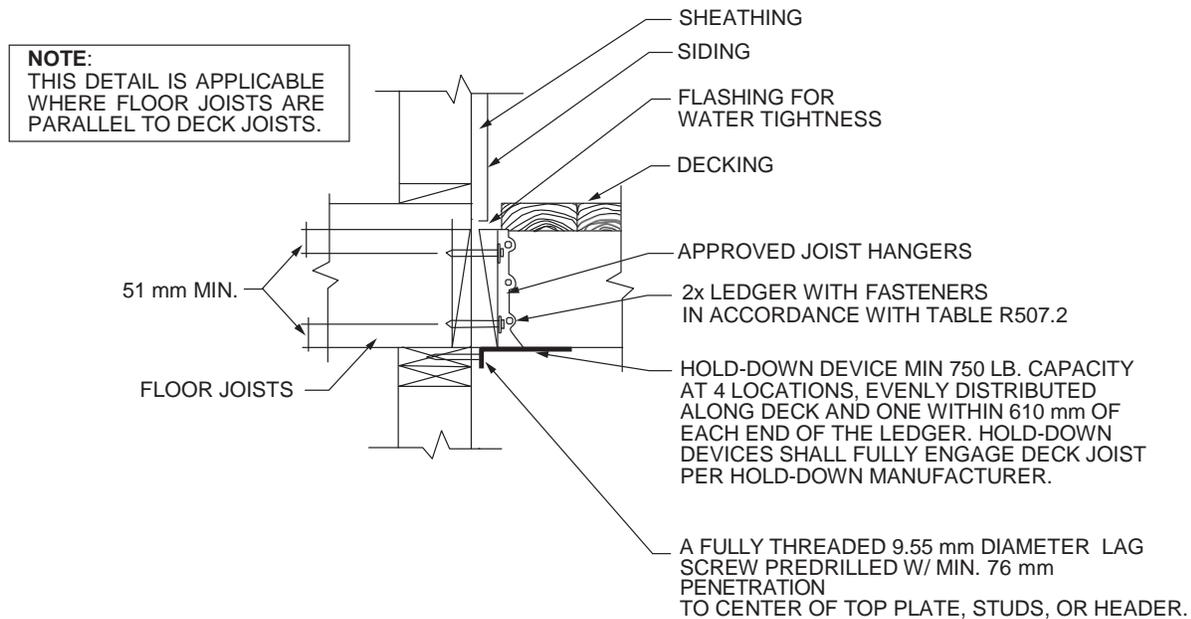
FIGURE R507.9.1.3(2)
PLACEMENT OF LAG SCREWS AND BOLTS IN BAND JOISTS



For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch.

FIGURE R507.9.2(1)
DECK ATTACHMENT FOR LATERAL LOADS

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For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm= 0.03937inch, 1 mm= 0.00328 foot .

FIGURE R507.9.2(2)
DECK ATTACHMENT FOR LATERAL LOADS

SECTION R508 SUSPENDED CONCRETE FLOOR SLABS

R508.1 General. Suspended concrete floor slabs and roofs as well as the shear walls, columns and beams that support them shall be allowed in the buildings permitted under this code. The requirements for suspended floor slabs are outlined in this Section R508 while the requirements for shear walls, columns and beams shall be taken from Section R606. The requirements for concrete roofs shall be taken from Section R905.18.

R508.2 Where suspended slabs may be used. Suspended slabs shall be allowed as floors between storeys of buildings, as a ground floor in situations where expansive soils that cannot be confidently stabilized precludes a slab-on-ground, as the roof for the building and as the ground floor of a sloping site. Figure R508.2 shows some typical suspended slabs (slabs between storeys, elevated ground floor slabs needed to span unshrinkable soils and ground floor slabs due to slopes).

R508.3 Size requirements. Suspended floor slabs that are square or rectangular in shape shall be allowed under this code if they satisfy the following conditions:

- Have a maximum span of 6,100 mm (20 feet) where slab edges are supported integrally on all four sides.
- Have a maximum span of 3,050 mm (10 feet) where slab edges are supported integrally on only two opposite sides.
- Have a thickness of 100 mm or 125 mm or 150 mm (4" or 5" or 6"). The thickness selected shall ensure concrete coverage of the building

reinforcement and service accessories (conduits, pipes, etc) to be embedded shall meet the requirements of Table R608.5.4.1.

- The height of floors using shear walls only as the means of support for a suspended slab shall be no higher than 3,050 mm (10 feet)
- For buildings having shear walls only support for suspended slabs, the shear walls shall cover the perimeter of the slab except for the maximum allowed aggregate opening.
- For buildings having shear walls only support for suspended slabs, the combined area of all wall openings shall not exceed 25% of the total shear wall area.
- The width of any single wall opening shall be no more than 1200mm (4ft) and its depth shall be no more than 70% of the depth of the wall.
- All openings whether under 610 mm x 610 mm (2 feet x 2 feet) or not in the walls of buildings having shear walls only support for suspended slabs, shall have perimeter reinforcement.
- Openings in suspended slabs larger than 610 mm x 610 mm (2feet x 2 feet) shall not be allowed under this code and where allowable openings are to be made they must be at least 610 mm (24 inches) from the slab supporting wall.

Buildings containing suspended slabs which do not satisfy all of the above conditions shall be designed by *registered design building professionals* under the *Jamaica Building Code*.

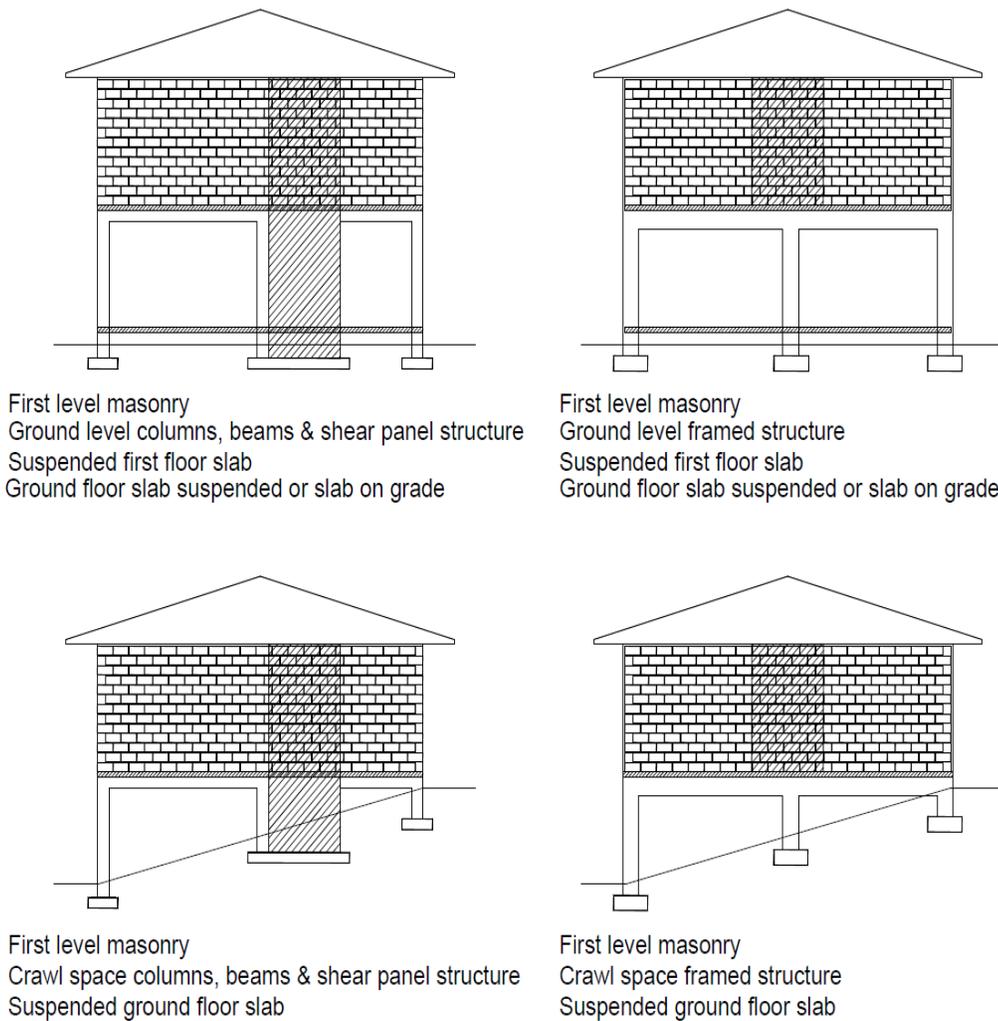


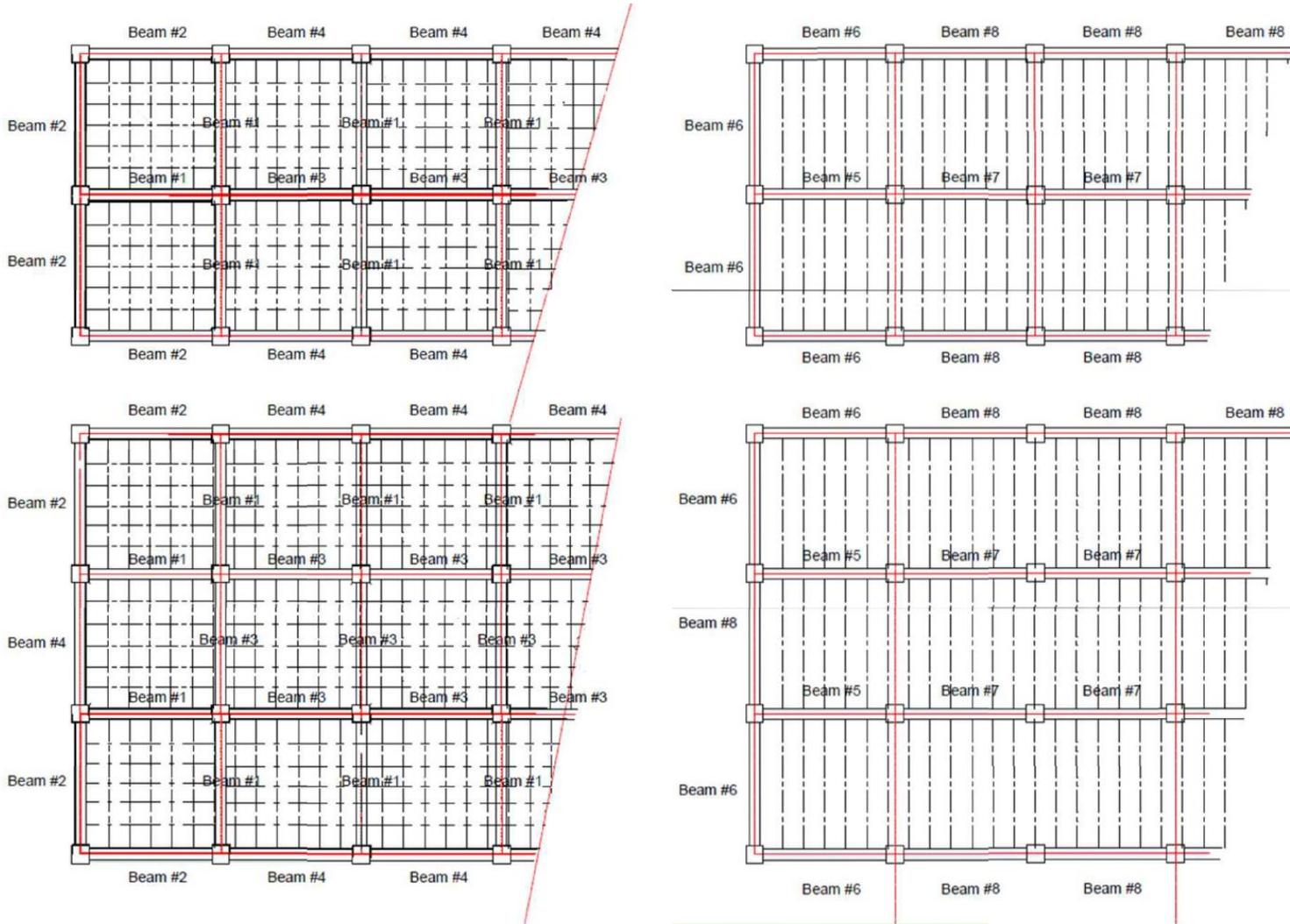
Figure R508.2
Sections of Buildings Utilizing Suspended Slabs

R508.4 Reinforcement. Suspended slabs done under this code shall not exceed the maximum span, thickness and reinforcement bars requirements given in Table R508.4. Suspended slabs can be reinforced in one or two directions, see Figure R508.4, but under this code only registered design *building professionals* shall design one-way reinforced slabs. Suspended slab reinforcement bars shall be tied into the structural support reinforcement bars of shear walls, beams and columns. The reinforcement set out in Table R508.4 is for the two-way method. One directional reinforcement shall only be permitted where the permit applicant provides satisfactory drawings and calculation evidence that the intended suspended slab will meet all code requirements including the bearing of live and dead loads.

Professional assistance shall be sought for the size and placement of reinforcement for situations other than those described in Table 308.4.

R508.5 Obtaining accurate slab thicknesses. Forms (formwork) for suspended slabs shall be robust; firm; immovable under the increasing load of concrete placement; able to bear the concrete placement loads including personnel, equipment and concrete without any shifting; constructed to produce the finished thickness of 100 mm (4 inches) or 125 mm (5 inches) or 150 mm (6 inches) in line with the top of the perimeter vertical form. Suspended slabs shall be cast monolithically, level except where the slight tilt for drainage is required and given a float finish that is

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Notes:

1. The Left-Hand Side figures are suspended slabs that are reinforced in 2 directions.
2. The Right-Hand Side figures are suspended slabs that are reinforced in 1 direction.
3. The small rectangle at beam intersections represents columns.
4. The structural configurations may be used to specify the beam number makeup of any proposed structural frame buildings permitted under this code.

FIGURE R508.4
THE TWO TYPES OF REINFORCEMENT METHODS FOR SUSPENDED SLABS

TABLE R508.4
Two-way Reinforcement Bars Requirement for Suspended Slabs

Slab Location		Slab Maximum Span	Slab Thickness	Main Reinforcement (2 ways)		Top Centre Steel Bars		Top Edge Steel Bars	
Live Load	Dead Load			Bar Diameter	Bar Spacing	Bar Diameter	Bar Spacing	Bar Diameter	Bar Spacing
		(Metres)	(millimetres)	(mm)	(mm)	(mm)	(mm)	(mm)	(mm)
Residential Floor 1.5 kN/m ²	Residential Floor 1.5 kN/m ²	3	100	10	150	10	250	10	250
		4	125	12	150	12	250	10	250
		5	150	12	120	12	240	10	250
		6	150	15	120	15	200	12	200
Office Floor 2.5 kN/m ²	Office Floor 2.5 kN/m ²	3	100	10	150	10	250	10	250
		4	125	12	150	12	250	10	250
		5	150	12	120	12	240	10	250
		6	150	15	120	15	200	12	200
Storage Floor 5.0 kN/m ²	Storage Floor 5.0 kN/m ²	2.5	100	10	120	10	240	10	250
		3.5	125	12	120	12	240	10	250
		4.5	150	12	100	12	200	10	250
		5.5	150	15	100	15	200	12	200
Roof - Horizontal 1.0 kN/m ²	Roof 1.0 kN/m ²	3	100	10	200	10	250	10	250
		4	125	12	150	10	250	10	250
		5	150	12	150	12	250	10	250
		6	150	15	120	12	200	12	200

- Reinforcing bars are mild steel to JS - 33 version 2014
- Concrete is 1 : 2 : 3 mix (Grade "C")
- Ratio (Slab Length / Slab Width) between 0.8 and 1.25
- Slab thickness = 100 mm minimum.
- Top Centre Steel length = 2,000 mm minimum
- Top Edge Steel length = 1,000 mm minimum.

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administered immediately after the concrete placement is complete. Every effort shall be made to ensure that slabs are finished level and thereby avoid the negative impacts of build-up screeds and their increased dead load as well as unplanned cost.

R508.6 Slab surface finish. Suspended slab surfaces shall be finished to accommodate carpets, tiles, wood strips or polished concrete. Float finished concrete surfaces shall be sufficient and durable to apply all the floor finishes.

In cases such as balconies and verandahs where slab surfaces must be drained to the outside the slab shall be finished with a very slight tilt to the outdoor. Floor tilts for drainage purposes shall not exceed one (1) unit vertically to five hundred (500) units horizontally (0.2-percent slope).

R508.7 Pipes and conduits in suspended slabs. All pipes and conduits for building services shall be laid and arranged so when the slab is poured, they shall have a minimum concrete coverage of 25 mm (1 inch). Slab thicknesses shall be chosen to facilitate this concrete coverage. Every effort shall be made to maintain the reinforcement above all pipes and conduits. Conduits larger than 76 mm (3 inches) shall not be installed within a 125 mm (5 inches) thick suspended slab unless approved by the Structural Engineer. Larger service conduit shall result in thicker suspended slabs.

R508.8 Openings in suspended slabs. Openings in suspended slabs have the effect of weakening the bearing capacity of the slab in the area around the opening. To prevent this weakening perimeter reinforcement shall be applied around the opening. Sections R608.6.1 and R608.6.2 outlines the perimeter reinforcement required for small and large openings.

R508.8.1 Small openings 1,100 mm (3 feet 8 inches) Square and less. This size of opening shall need only perimeter reinforcement when two-way reinforcement of the slab is involved. Adequate reinforcement for this size opening shall be provided by two 12.5 mm (½ inch) diameter bars separated by 76 mm (3 inches) and tied together by 6.35 mm (¼ inch) diameter bars at 205 mm (8 inches) on centre around the perimeter of the opening.

For slabs with one-way reinforcement a small edge beam is required around the perimeter of the opening. This edge beam shall have reinforcement comprising 4 x 12.5 mm (½ inch) diameter bars set out at the corners of a 150 mm x 150 mm (6 inches x 6 inches)

square. These bars shall be tied in place by 6.35 mm (¼ inch) diameter bars spaced 205 mm (8 inches) on centre around the perimeter of the opening.

For slabs with one-way reinforcement a small edge beam is required around the perimeter of the opening. This edge beam shall have reinforcement comprising 4 x 12.5 mm (½ inch) diameter bars set out at the corners of a 150 mm x 150 mm (6 inches x 6 inches) square. These bars shall be tied in place by 6.35 mm (¼ inch) diameter bars spaced 205 mm (8 inches) on centre around the perimeter of the opening.

R508.8.2 Large openings greater than 1,100 mm (3 feet 8 inches) square. This type of opening shall need both edge beam along the perimeter of the opening as well as beam linkage from the edge beam into the slab structural reinforcement. This type of reinforcement requires the assistance of a registered structural engineer for the design of the structural perimeter reinforcement.

CHAPTER 6

WALL CONSTRUCTION

User note:

About this chapter: Chapter 6 contains prescriptive provisions for the design and construction of walls. The wall construction covered in Chapter 6 consists of five different types: wood framed, cold-formed steel framed, masonry, concrete and structural insulated panel (SIP). The primary concern of this chapter is the structural integrity of wall construction and transfer of all imposed loads to the supporting structure.

SECTION R601 GENERAL

R601.1 Application. The provisions of this chapter shall control the design and construction of walls and partitions for buildings.

R601.2 Requirements. Wall construction shall be capable of accommodating all loads imposed in accordance with Section R301 and of transmitting the resulting loads to the supporting structural elements.

R601.2.1 Compressible floor-covering materials. Compressible floor-covering materials that compress more than 0.8 mm ($1/32$ inch) when subjected to 23 kg (50 pounds) applied over 645 mm² (1 inch square inch)² of material and are greater than 3.2 mm ($1/8$ inch) in thickness in the uncompressed state shall not extend beneath walls, partitions or columns, which are fastened to the floor.

SECTION R602 WOOD WALL FRAMING

R602.1 General. Wood and wood-based products used for load-supporting purposes shall conform to the applicable provisions of this section.

R602.1.1 Sawn lumber. Sawn lumber shall be identified by a grade mark of an accredited lumber grading or inspection agency and have design values certified by an accreditation body that complies with DOC PS 20. In lieu of a grade mark, a certification of inspection issued by a lumber grading or inspection agency meeting the requirements of this section shall be accepted.

R602.1.2 End-jointed lumber. Approved end-jointed lumber identified by a grade mark conforming to Section R602.1 shall be permitted to be used interchangeably with solid-sawn members of the same species and grade. End-jointed lumber used in an assembly required elsewhere in this code to have a fire-resistance rating shall have the designation "Heat Resistant Adhesive" or "HRA" included in its grade mark.

R602.1.3 Structural glued-laminated timbers. Glued-laminated timbers shall be manufactured and identified as required in ANSI A190.1, ANSI 117 and ASTM D3737.

R602.1.4 Structural log members. Structural log members shall comply with the provisions of ICC 400.

R602.1.5 Structural composite lumber. Structural capacities for structural composite lumber shall be established and monitored in accordance with ASTM D5456.

R602.1.6 Cross-laminated timber. Cross-laminated timber shall be manufactured and identified as required by ANSI/APA PRG 320.

R602.1.7 Engineered wood rim board. Engineered wood rim boards shall conform to ANSI/APA PRR 410 or shall be evaluated in accordance with ASTM D7672. Structural capacities shall be in accordance with either ANSI/APA PRR 410 or established in accordance with ASTM D7672. Rim boards conforming to ANSI/APA PRR 410 shall be marked in accordance with that standard.

R602.1.8 Wood structural panels. Wood structural panel sheathing shall conform to DOC PS 1, DOC PS 2 or, when manufactured in Canada, CSA O325 or CSA O437. Panels shall be identified for grade, bond classification, and performance category by a grade mark or certificate of inspection issued by an approved agency.

R602.1.9 Particleboard. Particleboard shall conform to ANSI A208.1. Particleboard shall be identified by the grade mark or certificate of inspection issued by an approved agency.

R602.1.10 Fiberboard. Fiberboard shall conform to ASTM C208. Fiberboard sheathing, where used structurally, shall be identified by an approved agency as conforming to ASTM C208.

R602.1.11 Structural insulated panels. *Structural insulated panels* shall be manufactured and identified in accordance with ANSI/APA PRS 610.1.

R602.2 Grade. Studs shall be a minimum No. 3, standard or stud grade lumber.

Exception: Bearing studs not supporting floors and non-bearing studs shall be permitted to be utility grade lumber, provided that the studs are spaced in accordance with Table R602.3(5).

R602.3 Design and construction. Exterior walls of wood-frame construction shall be designed and constructed in accordance with the provisions of this chapter and Figures R602.3(1) and R602.3(2), or in accordance with AWC NDS. Components of exterior walls shall be fastened in accordance with Tables R602.3(1) through R602.3(4). Wall sheathing shall be fastened directly to framing members and, where placed on the exterior side of an exterior wall, shall be capa-

**TABLE R602.3(1)
FASTENING SCHEDULE**

ITEM	DESCRIPTION OF BUILDING ELEMENTS	NUMBER AND TYPE OF FASTENER ^{a, b, c}	SPACING AND LOCATION
Roof			
1	Blocking between ceiling joists or rafters to top plate	4-8d box (63.5 mm × 2.8 mm) or 3-8d common (63.5 mm × 3.35 mm); or 3-10d box (76 mm × 3.2 mm); or 3-76 mm × 3.3 mm nails	Toe nail
2	Ceiling joists to top plate	4-8d box (63.5 mm × 2.8 mm); or 3-8d common (63.5 mm × 3.3 mm); or 3-10d box (76 mm × 3.2 mm); or 3-76 mm × 3.3 mm nails	Per joist, toe nail
3	Ceiling joist not attached to parallel rafter, laps over partitions (see Section R802.5.2 and Table R802.5.2)	4-10d box (76 mm × 3.2 mm); or 3-16d common (89 mm × 4.1 mm); or 4-76 mm × 3.3 mm nails	Face nail
4	Ceiling joist attached to parallel rafter (heel joint) (see Section R802.5.2 and Table R802.5.2)	Table R802.5.2	Face nail
5	Collar tie to rafter, face nail or 32 mm × 0.812 mm ridge strap to rafter	4-10d box (76 mm × 3.2 mm); or 3-10d common (76 mm × 3.7 mm); or 4-76 mm × 3.3 mm nails	Face nail each rafter
6	Rafter or roof truss to plate	3-16d box nails (89 mm × 3.5 mm); or 3-10d common nails (76 mm × 3.7 mm); or 4-10d box (76 mm × 3.2 mm); or 4-76 mm × 3.3 mm nails	2 toe nails on one side and 1 toe nail on opposite side of each rafter or truss ⁱ
7	Roof rafters to ridge, valley or hip rafters or roof rafter to minimum 51 mm ridge beam	4-16d (89 mm × 3.5 mm); or 3-10d common (76 mm × 3.7 mm); or 4-10d box (76 mm × 3.2 mm); or 4-3" × 0.131" nails	Toe nail
		3-16d box 89 mm × 3.5 mm); or 2-16d common (89 mm × 4.1 mm); or 3-10d box (76 mm × 3.2 mm); or 3-76 mm × 3.3 mm nails	End nail
Wall			
8	Stud to stud (not at braced wall panels)	16d common (89 mm × 4.11)	610 mm o.c. face nail
		10d box (76 mm × 3.2 mm); or 76 mm × 3.3 mm nails	405 mm o.c. face nail
9	Stud to stud and abutting studs at intersecting wall corners (at braced wall panels)	16d box (89 mm × 3.5 mm); or 76 mm × 3.3 mm nails	305 mm o.c. face nail
		16d common (89 mm × 4.1 mm)	405 mm o.c. face nail
10	Built-up header (51 mm to 51 mm header with 12.5 mm spacer)	16d common (89 mm × 4.1 mm)	405 mm o.c. each edge face nail
		16d box (89 mm × 3.5 mm)	305 mm o.c. each edge face nail
11	Continuous header to stud	5-8d box (63.5 mm × 2.8 mm); or 4-8d common (63.5 mm × 3.3 mm); or 4-10d box (76 mm × 3.2 mm)	Toe nail
12	Top plate to top plate	16d common (89 mm × 4.1 mm)	405 mm o.c. face nail
		10d box (76 mm × 3.2 mm); or 76 mm × 3.3 mm nails	305 mm o.c. face nail

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13	Double top plate splice	8-16d common (89 mm × 4.1 mm); or 12-16d box (89 mm × 3.5 mm); or 12-10d box (76 mm × 3.2 mm); or 12-76 mm × 3.3 mm nails	Face nail on each side of end joint (minimum 610 mm lap splice length each side of end joint)
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**TABLE R602.3(1)—continued
FASTENING SCHEDULE**

ITEM	DESCRIPTION OF BUILDING ELEMENTS	NUMBER AND TYPE OF FASTENER ^{a, b, c}	SPACING AND LOCATION
14	Bottom plate to joist, rim joist, band joist or blocking (not at braced wall panels)	16d common (89 mm × 4.1 mm)	405 mm o.c. face nail
		16d box (89 mm × 3.5 mm); or 76 mm × 3.35 mm nails	305 mm o.c. face nail
15	Bottom plate to joist, rim joist, band joist or blocking (at braced wall panel)	3-16d box (89 mm × 3.5 mm); or 2-16d common (89 mm × 4.1 mm); or 4-76 mm × 3.35 mm nails	3 each 405 mm o.c. face nail 2 each 405 mm o.c. face nail 4 each 405 mm o.c. face nail
16	Top or bottom plate to stud	4-8d box (63.5 mm × 2.8 mm); or 3-16d box (89 mm × 3.5 mm); or 4-8d common (63.5 mm × 3.35 mm); or 4-10d box (76 mm × 3.2 mm); or 4-76 mm × 3.35 mm nails	Toe nail
		3-16d box (89 mm × 3.5 mm); or 2-16d common (89 mm × 4.1 mm); or 3-10d box (76 mm × 3.25 mm); or 3-76 mm × 3.35 mm nails	End nail
17	Top plates, laps at corners and intersections	3-10d box (76 mm × 3.25 mm); or 2-16d common (89 mm × 4.1 mm); or 3-76 mm × 3.35 mm nails	Face nail
18	25.4 mm brace to each stud and plate	3-8d box (63.5 mm × 2.8 mm); or 2-8d common (63.5 mm × 3.35 mm); or 2-10d box (76 mm × 3.25 mm); or 2 staples 44.45 mm	Face nail
19	25.4 mm × 150 mm sheathing to each bearing	3-8d box (63.5 mm × 2.8 mm); or 2-8d common (63.5 mm × 3.35 mm); or 2-10d box (76 mm × 3.25 mm); or 2 staples, 25.4 mm crown, 1.6 mm., 44.45 mm long	Face nail
20	25.4 mm × 205 mm and wider sheathing to each bearing	3-8d box (63.5 mm × 2.8 mm); or 3-8d common (63.5 mm × 3.35 mm); or 3-10d box (76 mm × 3.25); or 3 staples, 25.4 mm crown, 1.6 mm., 44.45 mm long	Face nail
		Wider than 25.4 mm × 205 mm 4-8d box (63.5 mm × 2.8 mm); or 3-8d common (63.5 mm × 3.35 mm); or 3-10d box (76 mm × 3.2); or 4 staples, 25.4 mm crown, 1.6 mm., 44.45 mm long	
Floor			
21	Joist to sill, top plate or girder	4-8d box (63.5 mm × 2.8 mm); or 3-8d common (63.5 mm × 3.35 mm); or 3-10d box (76 mm × 3.25 mm); or 3-76 mm × 3.35 mm nails	Toe nail
22	Rim joist, band joist or blocking to sill or top plate (roof applications also)	8d box (63.5 mm × 2.8 mm)	102 mm o.c. toe nail
		8d common (63.5 mm × 3.35 mm); or 10d box (76 mm × 3.2 mm); or 76 mm × 3.35 mm nails	150 mm o.c. toe nail
23	25.4 mm × 150 mm subfloor or less to each joist	3-8d box (63.5 mm × 2.8 mm); or 2-8d common (63.5 mm × 3.35 mm); or 3-10d box (76 mm × 3.2 mm); or 2 staples, 25.4 mm crown, 1.6 mm., 44.45 mm long	Face nail

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**TABLE R602.3(1)
FASTENING SCHEDULE—continued**

ITEM	DESCRIPTION OF BUILDING ELEMENTS	NUMBER AND TYPE OF FASTENER ^{a, b, c}	SPACING AND LOCATION	
Floor				
24	51 mm subfloor to joist or girder	3-16d box (89 mm × 3.5 mm); or 2-16d common (89 mm × 4.1 mm)	Blind and face nail	
25	51 mm planks (plank & beam—floor & roof)	3-16d box (89 mm × 3.5 mm); or 2-16d common (89 mm × 3.5 mm)	At each bearing, face nail	
26	Band or rim joist to joist	3-16d common (89 mm × 4.1 mm) 4-10 box (76 mm × 3.2 mm), or 4-76 mm × 3.35 mm nails; or 4-76 mm × 2.0 mm . staples, 11 mm crown	End nail	
27	Built-up girders and beams, 51 mm lumber layers	20d common (102 mm × 4.8 mm); or	Nail each layer as follows: 812 mm o.c. at top and bottom and staggered.	
		10d box (76 mm × 3.2 mm); or 76 mm × 3.35 mm nails	610 mm o.c. face nail at top and bottom staggered on opposite sides	
		And: 2-20d common (102 mm × 4.8 mm); or 3-10d box (76 mm × 3.2 mm); or 3-76 mm × 3.35 mm nails	Face nail at ends and at each splice	
28	Ledger strip supporting joists or rafters	4-16d box (89 mm × 3.5 mm); or 3-16d common (89 mm × 4.1 mm); or 4-10d box (76 mm × 3.2 mm); or 4-76 mm × 3.35 mm nails	At each joist or rafter, face nail	
29	Bridging or blocking to joist	2-10d box (76 mm × 3.2 mm), or 2-8d common (63.5 mm × 3.35 mm ; or 2-76 mm × 3.35 mm) nails	Each end, toe nail	
ITEM	DESCRIPTION OF BUILDING ELEMENTS	NUMBER AND TYPE OF FASTENER ^{a, b, c}	SPACING OF FASTENERS	
			Edges (mm) ^h	Intermediate supports ^{c, e} (mm)
Wood structural panels, subfloor, roof and interior wall sheathing to framing and particleboard wall sheathing to framing [see Table R602.3(3) for wood structural panel exterior wall sheathing to wall framing]				
30	9.55 mm – 12.5 mm	6d common (51 mm × 2.8 mm) nail (subfloor, wall) ⁱ 8d common (63.5 mm × 3.35 mm) nail (roof); or RSRs- 01 (61 mm × 2.8 mm) nail (roof) ^j	150	305 ^f
31	15 mm – 25.4 mm	8d common nail (63.5 mm × 3.35 mm); or RSRs-01; (61 mm × 2.8 mm) nail (roof) ^j	150	305 ^f
32	29 mm – 32 mm	10d common (76 mm × 3.7 mm) nail; or 8d (63.5 mm × 3.35 mm) deformed nail	150	305
Other wall sheathing^g				
33	12.5 mm structural cellulosic fiberboard sheathing	38 mm galvanized roofing nail, 11 mm head diameter, or 32 mm long 1.6 mm. staple with 11 mm or 25.4 mm crown	76	150
34	20 mm structural cellulosic fiberboard sheathing	44.45 mm galvanized roofing nail, 11 mm head diameter, or 38 mm long 1.6 mm. staple with 11 mm or 25.4 mm crown	76	150
35	12.5 mm gypsum sheathing ^d	38 mm galvanized roofing nail; staple galvanized, 38 mm long; 32 mm screws, Type W or S	178	178
36	16 mm gypsum sheathing ^d	44.45 mm galvanized roofing nail; staple galvanized, 42 mm long; 42 mm screws, Type W or S	178	178
Wood structural panels, combination subfloor underlayment to framing				
37	19 mm and less	6d deformed (51 mm × 3 mm) nail; or 8d common (63.5 mm × 3.35 mm) nail	150	305
38	22 mm – 25.4 mm	8d common (63.5 mm × 3.35 mm) nail; or 8d deformed (63.5 mm × 3 mm) nail	150	305

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39	29 mm – 32 mm	10d common (76 mm × 3.7 mm) nail; or 8d deformed (63.5 mm × 3 mm) nail	150	305
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For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 m/s = 2.23 mile per hour; 1 MPa = 0.145 ksi.

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TABLE R602.3(1)—continued
FASTENING SCHEDULE

- a. Nails are smooth-common, box or deformed shanks except where otherwise stated. Nails used for framing and sheathing connections shall have minimum average bending yield strengths as shown: 551 MPa (80 ksi) for shank diameter of 4.8 mm (0.192 inch) (20d common nail), 620 MPa (90 ksi) for shank diameters larger than 3.6 mm (0.142 inch) but not larger than 4.5 mm (0.177 inch), and 689 MPa (100 ksi) for shank diameters of 3.6 mm (0.142 inch) or less.
- b. Staples are 1.6 mm (16 gage) wire and have a minimum 11 mm ($\frac{7}{16}$ -inch) on diameter crown width.
- c. Nails shall be spaced at not more than 150 mm (6 inches) on center at all supports where spans are 1220 mm (48 inches) or greater.
- d. 1,220 mm by 2,450 mm (Four-foot by 8-foot) or 1,220 mm by 2,745 mm (4-foot by 9-foot) panels shall be applied vertically.
- e. Spacing of fasteners not included in this table shall be based on Table R602.3(2).
- f. For wood structural panel roof sheathing attached to gable end roof framing and to intermediate supports within 1220 mm (48 inches) of roof edges and ridges, nails shall be spaced at 150 mm (6 inches) on center where the ultimate design wind speed is less than 58 m/s (130 mph) and shall be spaced 100 mm (4 inches) on center where the ultimate design wind speed is 58 m/s (130 mph) or greater but less than 63 m/s (140 mph).
- g. Gypsum sheathing shall conform to ASTM C1396 and shall be installed in accordance with GA 253. Fiberboard sheathing shall conform to ASTM C208.
- h. Spacing of fasteners on floor sheathing panel edges applies to panel edges supported by framing members and required blocking and at floor perimeters only. Spacing of fasteners on roof sheathing panel edges applies to panel edges supported by framing members and required blocking. Blocking of roof or floor sheathing panel edges perpendicular to the framing members need not be provided except as required by other provisions of this code. Floor perimeter shall be supported by framing members or solid blocking.
- i. Where a rafter is fastened to an adjacent parallel ceiling joist in accordance with this schedule, provide two toe nails on one side of the rafter and toe nails from the ceiling joist to top plate in accordance with this schedule. The toe nail on the opposite side of the rafter shall not be required.
- j. RSRS-01 is a Roof Sheathing Ring Shank nail meeting the specifications in ASTM F1667.

ble of resisting the wind pressures listed in Table R301.2(2) adjusted for height and exposure using Table R301.2(3) and shall conform to the requirements of Table R602.3(3). Wall sheathing used only for exterior wall covering purposes shall comply with Section R703.

Studs shall be continuous from support at the sole plate to a support at the top plate to resist loads perpendicular to the wall. The support shall be a foundation or floor, ceiling or roof diaphragm or shall be designed in accordance with accepted engineering practice.

Exception: Jack studs, trimmer studs and cripple studs at openings in walls that comply with Tables R602.7(1) and R602.7(2).

R602.3.1 Stud size, height and spacing. The size, height and spacing of studs shall be in accordance with Table R602.3(5).

Exceptions:

1. Utility grade studs shall not be spaced more than 405 mm (16 inches) on center, shall not support more than a roof and ceiling, and shall not exceed 2,450 mm (8 feet) in height for exterior walls and load-bearing walls or 3050 mm (10 feet) for interior nonload-bearing walls.

R602.3.2 Top plate. Wood stud walls shall be capped with a double top plate installed to provide overlapping at corners and intersections with bearing partitions. End joints in top plates shall be offset not less than 610 mm (24 inches). Joints in plates need not occur over studs. Plates shall be not less than 51 mm (2-inches) nominal thickness and have a width not less than the width of the studs.

Exception: A single top plate used as an alternative to a double top plate shall comply with the following:

1. The single top plate shall be tied at corners, intersecting walls, and at in-line splices in straight wall lines in accordance with Table R602.3.2.
2. The rafters or joists shall be centered over the studs with a tolerance of not more than 25.4 mm (1 inch).
3. Omission of the top plate is permitted over headers

where the headers are adequately tied to adjacent wall sections in accordance with Table R602.3.2.

R602.3.3 Bearing studs. Where joists, trusses or rafters are spaced more than 405 mm (16 inches) on center and the bearing studs below are spaced 610 mm (24 inches) on center, such members shall bear within 127 mm (5 inches) of the studs beneath.

Exceptions:

1. The top plates are two 51 mm by 150 mm (2-inch by 6-inch) or two 76 mm by 102 mm (3-inch by 4-inch) members.
2. A third top plate is installed.
3. Solid blocking equal in size to the studs is installed to reinforce the double top plate.

R602.3.4 Bottom (sole) plate. Studs shall have full bearing on a nominal 51 mm (2-by) or larger plate or sill having a width not less than to the width of the studs.

R602.3.5 Braced wall panel uplift load path. Braced wall panels located at exterior walls that support roof rafters or trusses (including stories below top story) shall have the framing members connected in accordance with one of the following:

1. Fastening in accordance with Table R602.3(1) where:
 - 1.1. The ultimate design wind speed does not exceed 51 m/s (115 mph), the wind exposure category is B, the roof pitch is 5:12 or greater, and the roof span is 9754 mm (32 feet) or less.
 - 1.2. The net uplift value at the top of a wall does not exceed 146 N/mm (100 plf). The net uplift value shall be determined in accordance with Section R802.11 and shall be permitted to be reduced by 86 N/mm (60 plf) for each full wall above.
2. Where the net uplift value at the top of a wall exceeds 146 N/mm (100 plf), installing approved uplift framing connectors to provide a continuous load path from the top of the wall to the foundation or to a point where the uplift force is 146 N/mm (100 plf) or less. The net uplift value shall be as determined in Item 1.2.
3. Wall sheathing and fasteners designed to resist combined uplift and shear forces in accordance with accepted engineering practice.

R602.4 Interior load-bearing walls. Interior load-bearing walls shall be constructed, framed and fireblocked as specified for exterior walls.

R602.5 Interior nonbearing walls. Interior nonbearing walls shall be permitted to be constructed with 51 mm by 76 mm (2-inch by 3-inch) studs spaced 610 mm (24 inches) on center or, where not part of a *braced wall line*, 51 mm by 100 mm (2-inch by 4-inch) flat studs spaced at 405 mm (16 inches) on center. Interior nonbearing walls shall be capped with not less than a single top plate. Interior nonbearing walls shall be fireblocked in accordance with Section R602.8.

R602.6 Drilling and notching of studs. Drilling and notching of studs shall be in accordance with the following:

1. Notching. Any stud in an exterior wall or bearing partition shall be permitted to be cut or notched to a depth not exceeding 25 percent of its width. Studs in nonbearing partitions shall be permitted to be notched to a depth not to exceed 40 percent of a single stud width.

2. Drilling. Any stud shall be permitted to be bored or drilled, provided that the diameter of the resulting hole is not more than 60 percent of the stud width, the edge of the hole is not more than 16 mm ($\frac{5}{8}$ inch) to the edge of the stud, and the hole is not located in the same section as a cut or notch. Studs located in exterior walls or bearing partitions drilled over 40 percent and up to 60 percent shall be doubled with not more than two successive doubled studs bored. See Figures R602.6(1) and R602.6(2).

Exception: Use of *approved* stud shoes is permitted where they are installed in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations.

R602.6.1 Drilling and notching of top plate. Where piping or ductwork is placed in or partly in an exterior wall or interior load-bearing wall, necessitating cutting, drilling or notching of the top plate by more than 50 percent of its width, a galvanized metal tie not less than 1.35 mm (0.054 inch) thick

(16 ga) and 38 mm ($1\frac{1}{2}$ inches) wide shall be fastened across and to the plate at each side of the opening with not less than eight 10d (0.148 inch diameter) nails having a minimum length of 38 mm ($1\frac{1}{2}$ inches) at each side or equivalent. The metal tie must extend not less than 150 mm (6 inches) past the opening. See Figure R602.6.1.

Exception: Where the entire side of the wall with the notch or cut is covered by wood structural panel sheathing.

R602.7 Headers. For header spans, see Tables R602.7(1), R602.7(2) and R602.7(3).

R602.7.1 Single member headers. Single headers shall be framed with a single flat 51 mm (2-inch)-nominal member or wall plate not less in width than the wall studs on the top and bottom of the header in accordance with Figures R602.7.1(1) and R602.7.1(2) and face nailed to the top and bottom of the header with 10d box nails 76 mm x 3.25 mm (3 inches x 0.128 inches) spaced 305 mm (12 inches) on center.

R602.7.2 Rim board headers. Rim board header size, material and span shall be in accordance with Table R602.7(1). Rim board headers shall be constructed in accordance with Figure R602.7.2 and shall be supported at each end by full-height studs. The number of full-height studs at each end shall be not less than the number of studs displaced by half of the header span based on the maximum stud spacing in accordance with Table R602.3(5). Rim board headers supporting concentrated loads shall be designed in accordance with accepted engineering practice.

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**TABLE R602.3.2
SINGLE TOP-PLATE SPLICE CONNECTION DETAILS**

The symbol “” as used in the table below is the same as the local symbol “X”.

CONDITION	TOP-PLATE SPLICE LOCATION			
	Corners and intersecting walls		Butt joints in straight walls	
	Splice plate size	Minimum nails each side of joint	Splice plate size	Minimum nails each side of joint
Structures in SDC A-C; and in SDC D ₀ , D ₁ and D ₂ with braced wall line spacing less than 7620 mm	76 mm  150 mm  0.914 mm  galvanized steel plate or equivalent	(6) 8d box (63.5 mm  3.35 mm  nails	76 mm  305 mm  0.914 mm  galvanized steel plate or equivalent	(12) 8d box (63.5 mm  3.35 mm  nails
Structures in SDC D ₀ , D ₁ and D ₂ , with braced wall line spacing greater than or equal to 7620 mm	76 mm  205 mm  by 0.914 mm  galvanized steel plate or equivalent	(9) 8d box (63.5 mm  3.35 mm  nails	76 mm  405 mm  0.914 mm  galvanized steel plate or equivalent	(18) 8d box (63.5 mm  3.35 mm  nails

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 mm foot.

TABLE R602.3(2)
ALTERNATE ATTACHMENTS TO TABLE R602.3(1)

There are no seismic design category A, B or C in Jamaica. Seismic Design Categories in Jamaica are D₀, D₁ & D₂.

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TABLE R602.3(2)—continued

ALTERNATE ATTACHMENTS TO TABLE R602.3(1)

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch.

- a. Nail is a general description and shall be permitted to be T-head, modified round head or round head.
- b. Staples shall have a minimum crown width of 11 mm (⁷/₁₆-inch) on diameter except as noted.
- c. Nails or staples shall be spaced at not more than 150 mm (6 inches) on center at all supports where spans are 1220 mm (48 inches) or greater. Nails or staples shall be spaced at not more than 305 mm (12 inches) on center at intermediate supports for floors.
- d. Fasteners shall be placed in a grid pattern throughout the body of the panel.
- e. For 5-ply panels, intermediate nails shall be spaced not more than 305 mm (12 inches) on center each way.
- f. Hardboard underlayment shall conform to CPA/ANSI A135.4
- g. Specified alternate attachments for roof sheathing shall be permitted where the ultimate design wind speed is less than 58 m/s (130 mph). Fasteners attaching wood structural panel roof sheathing to gable end wall framing shall be installed using the spacing listed for panel edges.
- h. Fiber-cement underlayment shall conform to ASTM C1288 or ISO 8336, Category C.

TABLE R602.3(3)

REQUIREMENTS FOR WOOD STRUCTURAL PANEL WALL SHEATHING USED TO RESIST WIND PRESSURES^{a, b, c}

MINIMUM NAIL		MINIMUM WOOD STRUCTURAL PANEL SPAN RATING	MINIMUM NOMINAL PANEL THICKNESS (mm)	MAXIMUM WALL STUD SPACING (mm)	PANEL NAIL SPACING		ULTIMATE DESIGN WIND SPEED V _{ult} (m/s)		
Size	Penetration (mm)				Edges (mm o.c.)	Field (mm o.c.)	Wind exposure category		
							B	C	D
6d Common (51 mm × 2.87 mm)	38	24/0	9.55 mm	405	150	305	62.5	51	49
8d Common (63.5 mm × 3.35 mm)	44.45	24/16	11 mm	405	150	305	76	62.5	60
				610	150	305	62.5	51	49

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 m/s = 2.23 mile per hour.

- a. Panel strength axis parallel or perpendicular to supports. Three-ply plywood sheathing with studs spaced more than 405 mm (16 inches) on center shall be applied with panel strength axis perpendicular to supports.
- b. Table is based on wind pressures acting toward and away from building surfaces in accordance with Section R301.2. Lateral bracing requirements shall be in accordance with Section R602.10.
- c. Wood structural panels with span ratings of Wall-16 or Wall-24 shall be permitted as an alternate to panels with a 24/0 span rating. Plywood siding rated 405 mm (16 inches) o.c. or 610 mm (24 inches) o.c. shall be permitted as an alternate to panels with a 24/16 span rating. Wall-16 and Plywood siding 405 mm (16 inches) o.c. shall be used with studs spaced not more than 405 mm (16 inches) on center.

TABLE R602.3(4)

ALLOWABLE SPANS FOR PARTICLEBOARD WALL SHEATHING^a

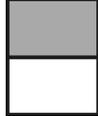
THICKNESS (mm)	GRADE	STUD SPACING (mm)	
		Where siding is nailed to studs	Where siding is nailed to sheathing
9.55 mm	M-1 Exterior glue	405	—
12.5 mm	M-2 Exterior glue	405	405

Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch.

- a. Wall sheathing not exposed to the weather. If the panels are applied horizontally, the end joints of the panel shall be offset so that four panel corners will not meet. Panel edges must be supported. Leave a 1.6 mm (¹/₁₆-inch) gap between panels and nail not less than 9.5 mm (³/₈ inch) from panel edges.

For Inch

**TABLE R602.3(5)
SIZE, HEIGHT AND SPACING OF WOOD STUDS^a**

STUD SIZE (mm)	BEARING WALLS					NONBEARING WALLS	
	Laterally unsupported stud height ^a (mm)	Maximum spacing where supporting a roof-ceiling assembly or a habitable attic assembly, only (mm)	Maximum spacing where supporting one floor, plus a roof-ceiling assembly or a habitable attic assembly (mm)	Maximum spacing where supporting two floors, plus a roof-ceiling assembly or a habitable attic assembly (mm)	Maximum spacing where supporting one floor height ^a (mm)	Laterally unsupported stud height ^a (mm)	Maximum spacing (mm)
							
51 × 76 ^b	—	—	—	—	—	3050	405
51 × 102	3050	610 ^c	405 ^c	—	610	4267	610
76 × 102	3050	610	610	405	610	4267	610
51 × 127	3050	610	610	—	610	4976	610
51 × 150	3050	610	610	405	610	6096	610

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot.

- a. Listed heights are distances between points of lateral support placed perpendicular to the plane of the wall. Bearing walls shall be sheathed on not less than one side or bridging shall be installed not greater than 1,220 mm (4 feet) apart measured vertically from either end of the stud. Increases in unsupported height are permitted where in compliance with Exception 2 of Section R602.3.1 or designed in accordance with accepted engineering practice.
- b. Shall not be used in exterior walls.
- c. A habitable attic assembly supported by 51 x 102 (2 × 4) studs is limited to a roof span of 9,760 mm (32 feet). Where the roof span exceeds 9,760 mm (32 feet), the wall studs shall be increased to 51 x 150 (2 × 6) or the studs shall be designed in accordance with accepted engineering practice.

**TABLE R602.3(6)
ALTERNATE WOOD BEARING WALL STUD SIZE, HEIGHT AND SPACING**

STUD HEIGHT	SUPPORTING	STUD SPACING ^a	ULTIMATE DESIGN WIND SPEED					
			51 m/s		58 m/s ^b		62.5 m/s ^b	
			Maximum roof/floor span ^c		Maximum roof/floor span ^c		Maximum roof/floor span ^c	
			3657 mm	7315 mm	3657 mm.	7315 mm.	3657 mm.	7315 mm.
3352 mm	Roof Only	305 mm.	51 × 102	51 × 102	51 × 102	51 × 102	51 × 102	51 × 102
		405 mm.	51 × 102	51 × 102	51 × 102	51 × 150	51 × 102	51 × 150
		610 mm.	51 × 150	51 × 150	51 × 150	51 × 150	51 × 150	51 × 150
	Roof and One Floor	305 mm.	51 × 102	51 × 150	51 × 102	51 × 150	51 × 102	51 × 150
		405 mm.	51 × 150	51 × 150	51 × 150	51 × 150	51 × 150	51 × 150
		610 mm.	51 × 150	51 × 150	51 × 150	51 × 150	51 × 150	51 × 150
3657 mm.	Roof Only	305 mm	51 × 102	51 × 102	51 × 102	51 × 150	51 × 102	51 × 102
		405 mm.	51 × 102	51 × 150	51 × 150	51 × 150	51 × 150	51 × 150
		610 mm.	51 × 102	51 × 150	51 × 150	51 × 150	51 × 150	51 × 150
	Roof and One Floor	305 mm	51 × 102	51 × 150	51 × 150	51 × 150	51 × 150	51 × 150
		405 mm	51 × 150	51 × 150	51 × 150	51 × 150	51 × 150	51 × 150
		610 mm.	51 × 150	51 × 150	51 × 150	51 × 150	51 × 150	DR

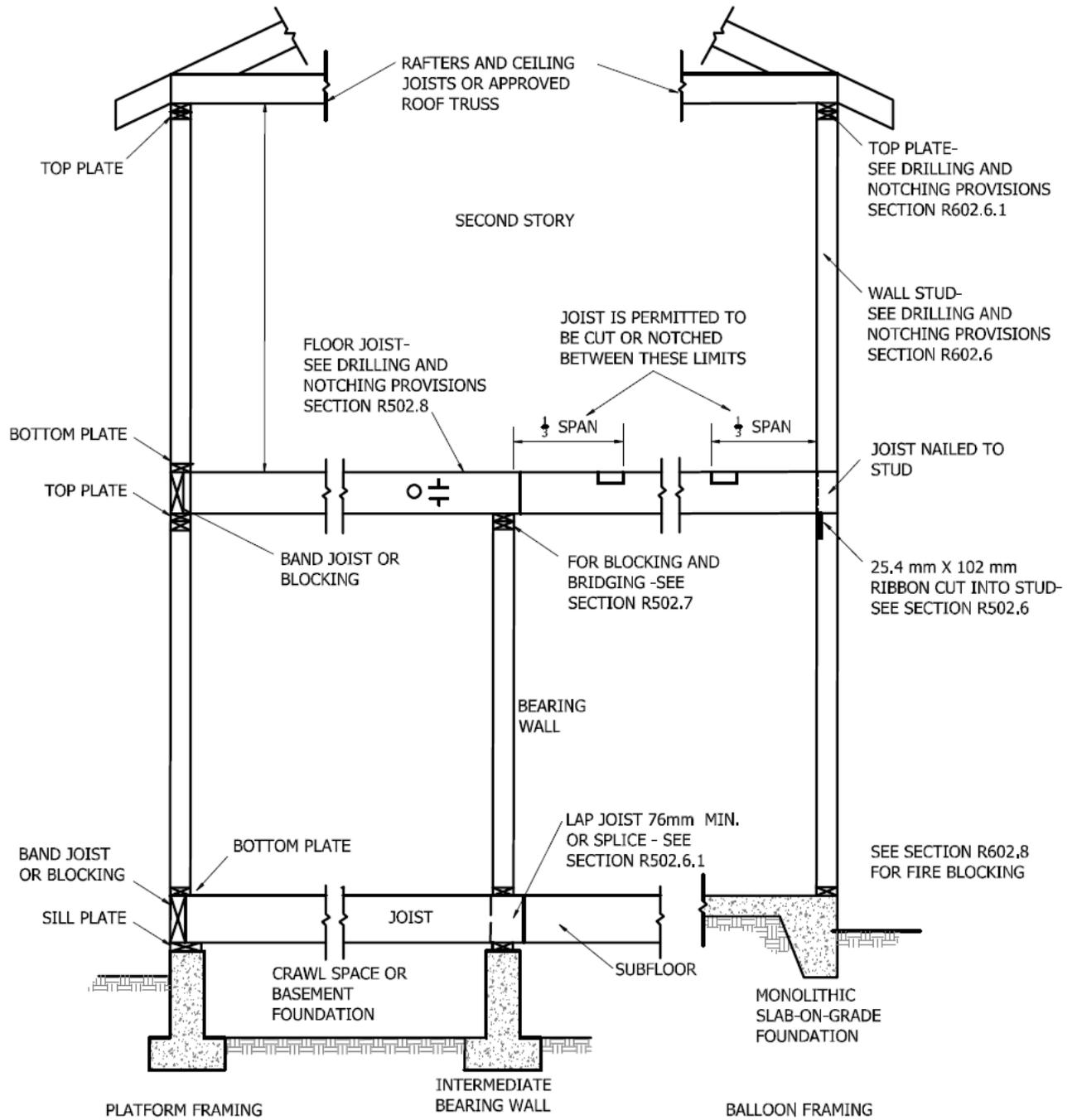
For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00238 foot, 1 m/s = 2.2 mph, 1 N = 0.22 pound.

DR = Design Required.

- a. Wall studs not exceeding 405 mm (16 inches) on center shall be sheathed with minimum 12.5 mm (1/2-inch) gypsum board on the interior and 9.5 mm (3/8-inch) wood structural panel sheathing on the exterior. Wood structural panel sheathing shall be attached with 8d 63.5 x 3.35 (2.5" x 0.131") nails not greater than 150 mm (6 inches) on center along panel edges and 305 mm (12 inches) on center at intermediate supports, and all panel joints shall occur over studs or blocking.
- b. Where the ultimate design wind speed exceeds 51 m/s (115 mph), studs shall be attached to top and bottom plates with connectors having a minimum 136.364 kg (300-pound) lateral capacity.

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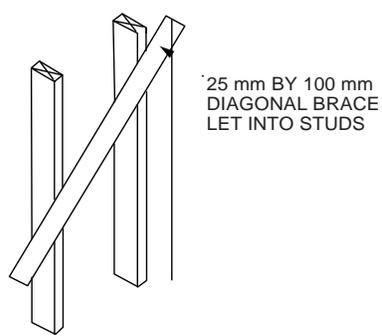
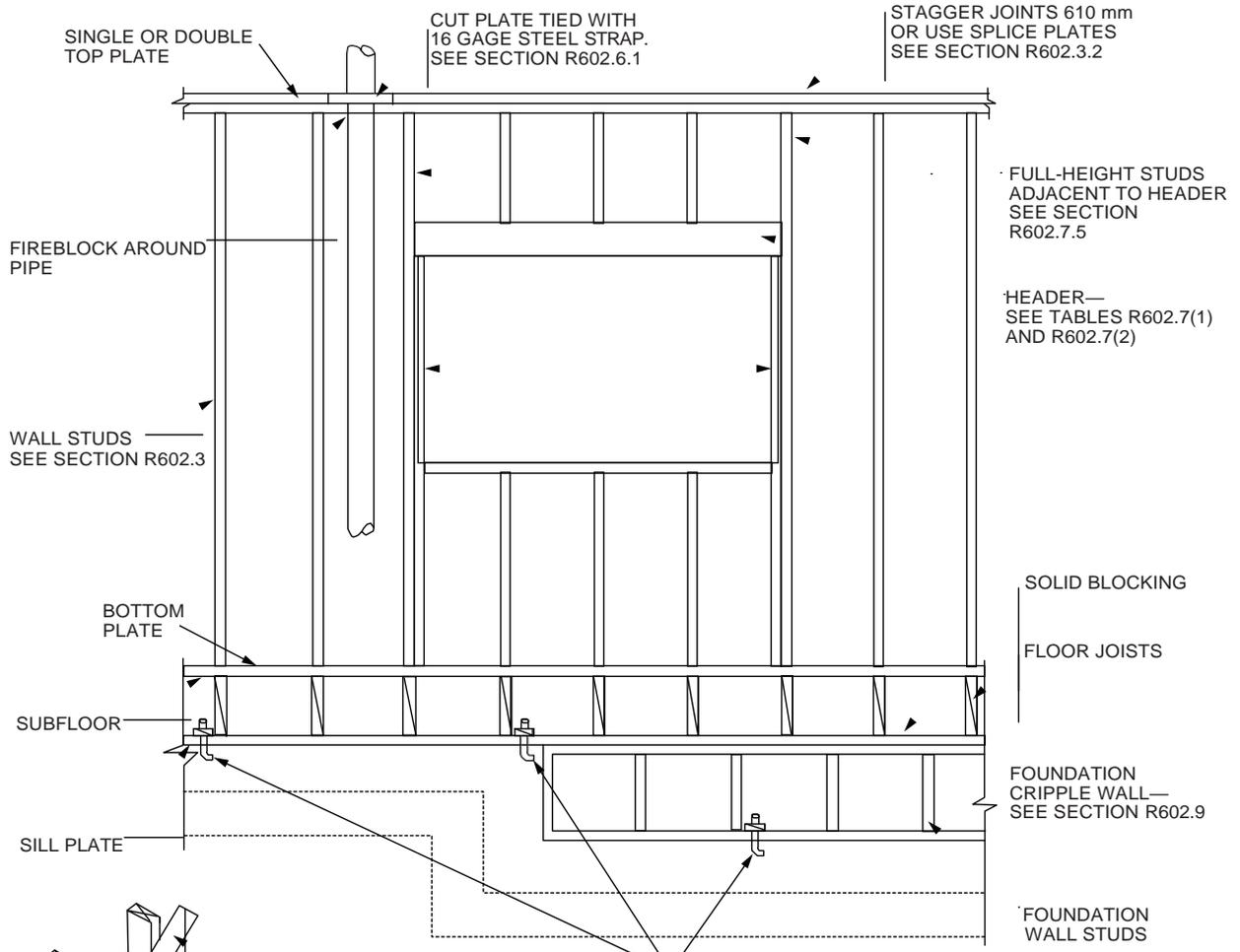
c. The maximum span is applicable to both single- and multiple-span roof and floor conditions. The roof assembly shall not contain a habitable attic.



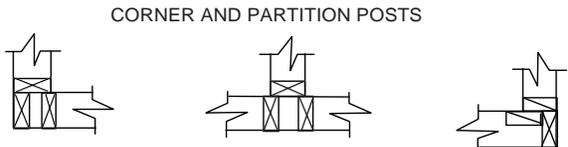
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FIGURE R602.3(1)
TYPICAL WALL, FLOOR AND ROOF FRAMING

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ANCHOR BOLTS EMBEDDED IN FOUNDATION 1830 mm. O.C. MAX.



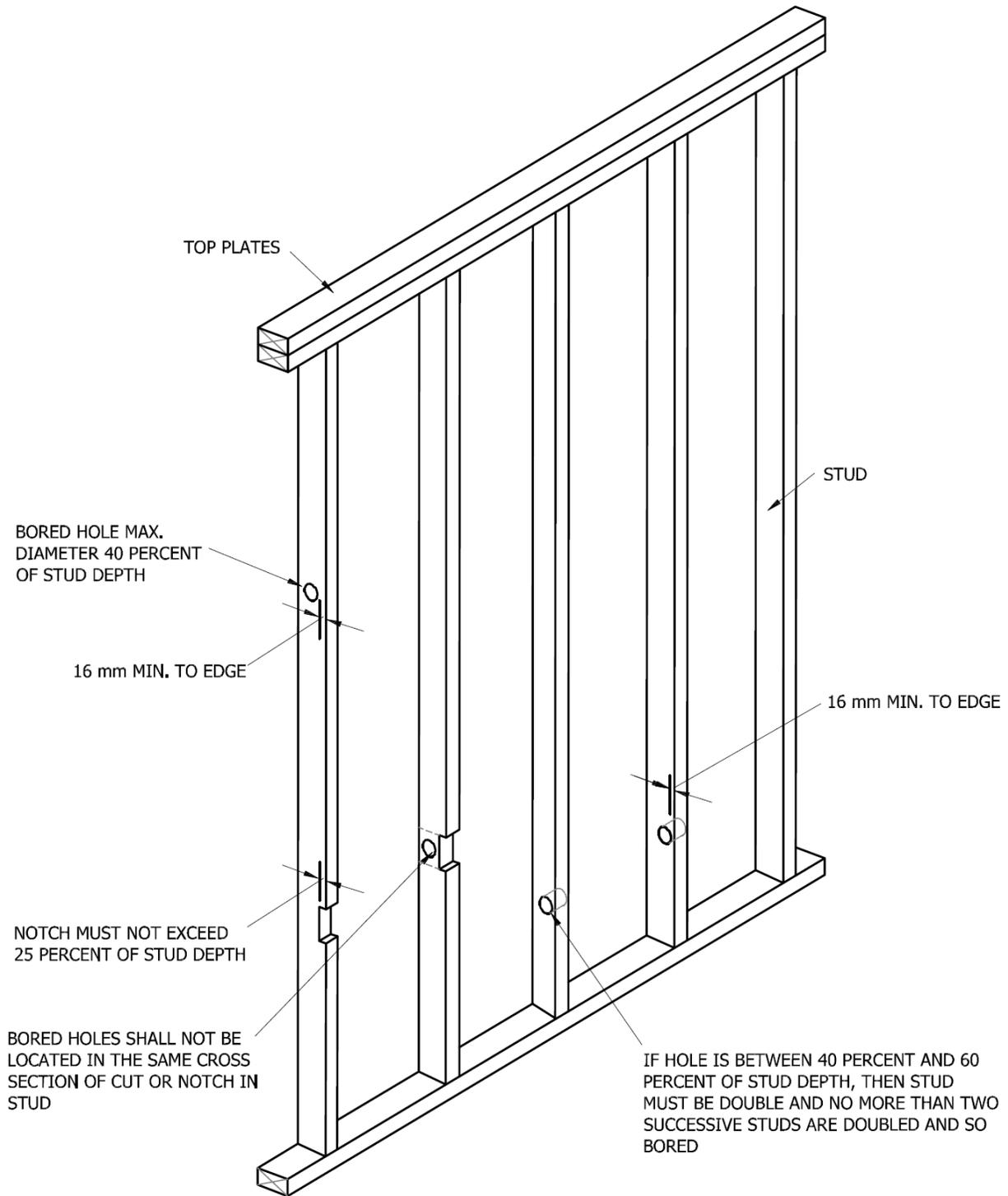
APPLY APPROVED SHEATHING OR BRACE EXTERIOR WALLS WITH 25 mm BY 100 mm BRACES LET INTO STUDS AND PLATES AND EXTENDING FROM BOTTOM PLATE TO TOP PLATE, OR OTHER APPROVED METAL STRAP DEVICES INSTALLED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE MANUFACTURER'S SPECIFICATIONS. SEE SECTION R602.10.

NOTE: A THIRD STUD AND/OR PARTITION INTERSECTION BACKING STUDS SHALL BE PERMITTED TO BE OMITTED THROUGH THE USE OF WOOD BACKUP CLEATS, METAL DRYWALL CLIPS OR OTHER APPROVED DEVICES THAT WILL SERVE AS ADEQUATE BACKING FOR THE FACING MATERIALS.

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch,
1 mm = 0.00328 foot.

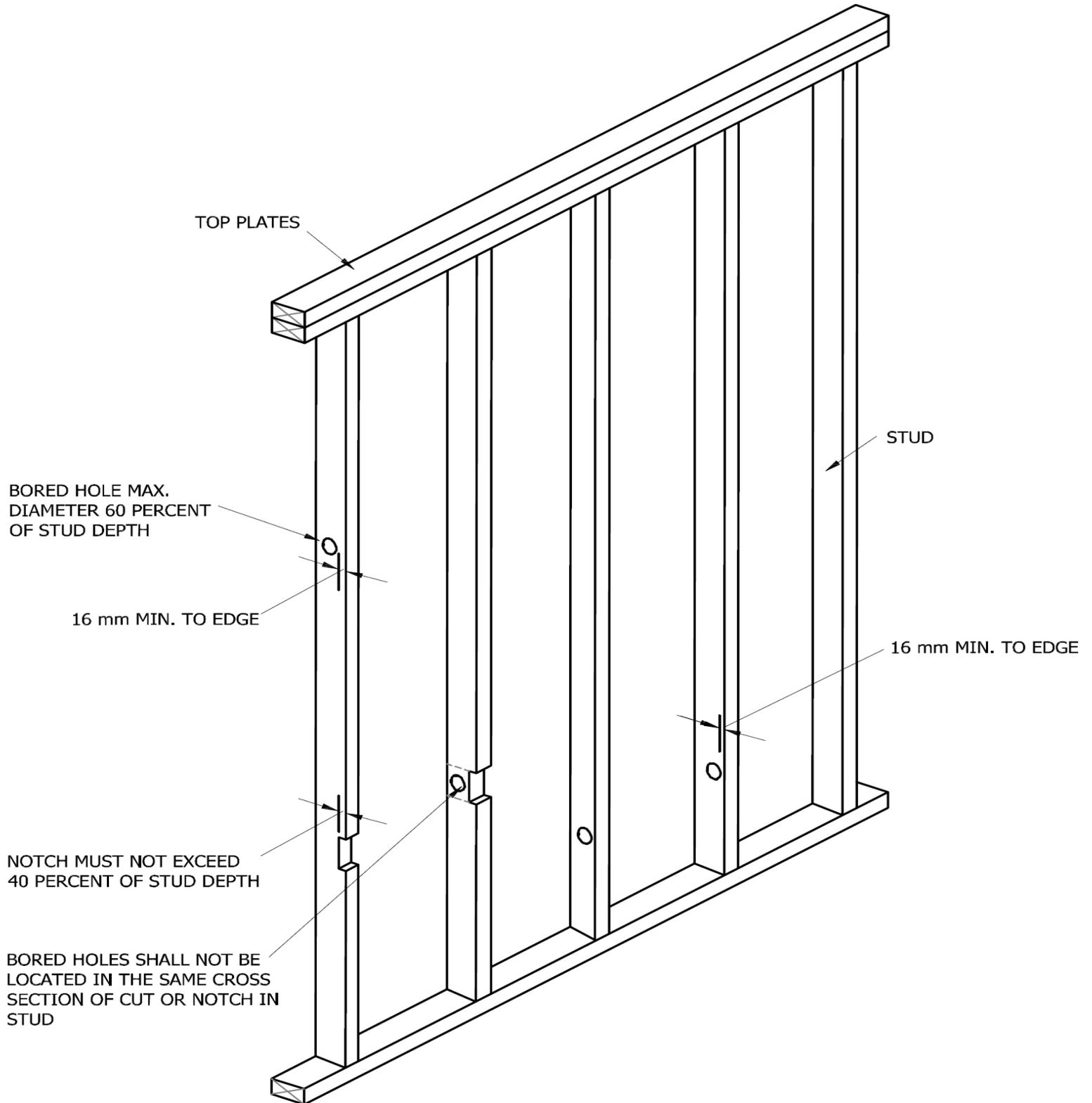
**FIGURE R602.3(2)
FRAMING DETAILS**

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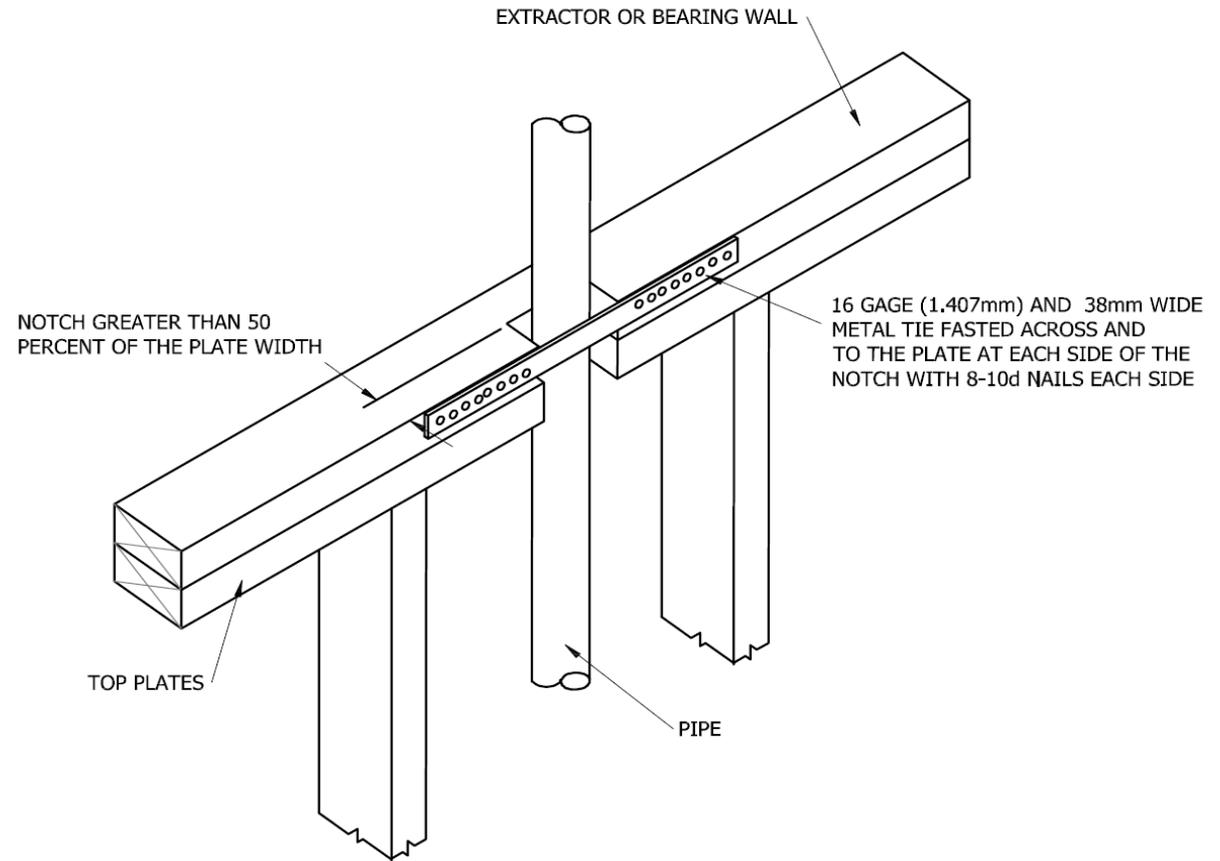
For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch.
Note: Condition for exterior and bearing walls.

FIGURE R602.6(1)
NOTCHING AND BORED HOLE LIMITATIONS FOR EXTERIOR WALLS AND BEARING WALLS



For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch.

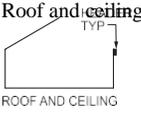
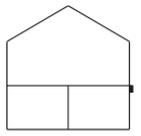
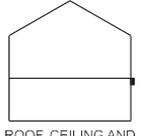
FIGURE R602.6(2)
NOTCHING AND BORED HOLE LIMITATIONS FOR INTERIOR NONBEARING WALLS



For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch

FIGURE R602.6.1
TOP PLATE FRAMING TO ACCOMMODATE PIPING

TABLE R602.7(1)
GIRDER SPANS^a AND HEADER SPANS^a FOR EXTERIOR BEARING WALLS
 (Maximum spans for Douglas fir-larch, hem-fir, Southern pine and spruce-pine-fir^b and required number of jack studs)

GIRDERS AND HEADERS SUPPORTING	SIZE	EXTERNAL LOADS TO BE SUPPORTED (kPa)																	
		1.44						2.40						3.35					
		Building width ^c (millimetres)																	
		3,658		7316		10,974		3,658		7316		10,974		3,658		7316		10,974	
		Span ^f	NJ ^d	Span ^f	NJ ^d	Span ^f	NJ ^d	Span ^f	NJ ^d	Span ^f	NJ ^d	Span ^f	NJ ^d	Span ^f	NJ ^d	Span ^f	NJ ^d	Span ^f	NJ ^d
 <p>Roof and ceiling TYP. ROOF AND CEILING</p>	355 × 150	1219	305	940	610	787	610	1041	305	813	610	686	610	914	610	711	610	610	610
	355 × 205	1549	610	1194	610	229	610	1321	610	1016	610	864	610	1168	610	914	610	762	914
	355 × 255	1829	610	1422	610	1194	610	1575	610	1219	610	1016	914	1397	610	1067	914	914	914
	355 × 305	2159	610	1651	610	1397	914	1854	610	1422	914	1194	914	1651	610	1270	914	1067	914
	660 × 102	1219	305	940	305	787	305	1041	305	787	305	660	305	914	305	711	305	610	305
	660 × 150	1829	305	1397	305	1168	305	1549	305	1194	305	991	610	1372	305	1067	610	889	610
	660 × 205	2311	305	1753	305	1473	610	1956	305	1524	610	1270	610	1753	305	1346	610	1143	610
	660 × 255	2743	305	2083	610	1753	610	2337	610	1803	610	1499	610	2057	610	1600	610	1346	610
	660 × 305	3226	610	2464	610	2083	610	2743	610	2108	610	1778	610	2438	610	1880	610	1575	914
	965 × 205	2870	305	2210	305	1854	305	2464	305	1905	305	1600	610	2184	305	1676	610	1422	610
	965 × 255	3429	305	2616	305	2210	610	2921	305	2235	610	1880	610	2591	305	2007	610	1676	610
	965 × 305	4013	305	3073	610	2591	610	3429	610	2642	610	2235	610	3048	610	2362	610	1981	610
	1270 × 205	3327	305	2540	305	2134	305	2845	305	2184	305	1829	305	2515	305	1930	305	1626	610
	1270 × 255	3937	305	3023	305	2540	305	3378	305	2591	305	2184	610	2997	305	2311	610	1930	610
1270 × 305	4648	305	3556	305	2997	610	3962	305	3048	610	2565	610	3531	305	2718	610	2286	610	
 <p>Roof, ceiling and one center-bearing floor ROOF, CEILING AND ONE FLOOR (CENTER BEARING)</p>	355 × 150	991	305	787	610	660	610	914	610	711	610	610	610	889	610	660	610	559	610
	355 × 205	1245	610	991	610	838	610	1143	610	914	610	762	914	1067	610	838	610	711	914
	355 × 255	1499	610	1168	610	991	914	1372	610	1067	914	914	914	1245	610	991	914	838	914
	355 × 305	1753	610	1372	914	1168	914	1600	610	1270	914	1067	914	1473	914	1168	914	991	1219
	660 × 102	991	305	762	305	660	305	914	305	711	305	610	305	813	305	660	305	559	305
	660 × 150	1473	305	1143	305	991	610	1346	305	1067	610	914	610	1245	305	991	610	838	610
	660 × 205	1854	305	1473	610	1245	610	1702	610	1346	610	1143	610	1575	610	1245	610	1067	610
	660 × 255	2210	610	1727	610	1473	610	2032	610	1600	610	1346	610	1854	610	1473	610	1245	610
	660 × 305	2591	610	2032	610	1727	610	2388	610	1880	610	1600	914	2184	610	1727	610	1473	914
	965 × 205	2337	305	1829	305	1549	610	2134	305	1676	610	1422	610	1956	305	1549	610	1321	610
	965 × 255	2743	305	2184	610	1854	610	2540	305	2007	610	1702	610	2337	610	1854	610	1575	610
	965 × 305	3251	610	2565	610	2184	610	2997	610	2337	610	2007	610	2743	610	2159	610	1854	610
	1270 × 205	2692	305	2108	305	1803	305	2464	305	1930	305	1651	610	2261	305	1803	305	1524	610
	1270 × 255	3200	305	2515	610	2134	610	2972	305	2311	610	1956	610	2692	305	2134	610	1829	610
1270 × 305	3759	305	2946	610	2515	610	3454	610	2718	610	2311	610	3150	610	2515	610	2134	610	
 <p>Roof, ceiling and one clear-span floor ROOF, CEILING AND ONE FLOOR (CLEAR SPAN)</p>	355 × 150	889	610	686	610	584	610	838	610	635	610	533	610	787	610	610	610	508	610
	355 × 205	1143	610	864	610	737	914	1067	610	813	610	686	914	991	610	762	914	660	914
	355 × 255	1346	610	1041	914	864	914	1270	610	965	914	813	914	1194	610	914	914	762	914
	355 × 305	1575	610	1219	914	1016	914	1473	914	1143	914	965	1219	1397	914	1067	914	914	1219
	660 × 102	889	305	686	305	559	305	838	305	635	305	533	305	787	305	610	305	508	305
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	660 × 255	2007	610	1524	610	1270	610	1854	610	1448	610	1219	610	1753	610	1346	610	1143	914
	660 × 305	2362	610	1803	610	1499	914	2184	610	1702	610	1422	914	2057	610	1600	914	1346	914
	965 × 205	2108	305	1600	610	1321	610	1956	305	1524	610	1270	610	1854	305	1422	610	1219	610
	965 × 255	2515	610	1905	610	1600	610	2337	610	1803	610	1524	610	2210	610	1702	610	1422	610
	965 × 305	2946	610	2261	610	1880	610	2743	610	2134	610	1778	610	2591	610	2007	610	1676	914
	1270 × 205	2438	305	1854	305	1549	610	2261	305	1753	610	1473	610	2134	305	1651	610	1397	610
	1270 × 255	2896	305	2210	610	1854	610	2692	305	2083	610	1753	610	2540	305	1956	610	1651	610
1270 × 305	3404	610	2591	610	2184	610	3048	610	2438	610	2057	610	2997	610	2311	610	1956	610	

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TABLE R602.7(1)—continued
GIRDER SPANS^a AND HEADER SPANS^a FOR EXTERIOR BEARING WALLS
 (Maximum spans for Douglas fir-larch, hem-fir, Southern pine and spruce-pine-fir^b and required number of jack studs)

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		1.44						2.40						3.35						
		Building width ^c (millimetres)																		
		3,658	7316	10,974	3,658	7316	10,974	3,658	7316	10,974	3,658	7316	10,974	3,658	7316	10,974	3,658	7316	10,974	
Roof, ceiling and two center-bearing floors	355 × 150	Span ^f	NJ ^d	Span ^f	NJ ^d	Span ^f	NJ ^d	Span ^f	NJ ^d	Span ^f	NJ ^d	Span ^f	NJ ^d	Span ^f	NJ ^d	Span ^f	NJ ^d	Span ^f	NJ ^d	Span ^f
	355 × 205	813	610	635	610	559	610	787	610	610	813	610	635	610	559	610	787	610	610	610
	355 × 255	1041	610	813	610	711	914	991	610	787	1041	610	813	610	711	914	991	610	787	610
	355 × 305	1219	610	965	914	838	914	1168	610	940	1219	610	965	914	838	914	1168	610	940	610
	660 × 102	1448	914	1143	914	965	1219	1372	914	1092	1448	914	1143	914	965	1219	1372	914	1092	610
	660 × 150	813	305	635	305	533	305	762	305	610	813	305	635	305	533	305	762	305	610	610
	660 × 205	1219	305	965	610	813	610	1143	305	914	1219	305	965	610	813	610	1143	305	914	610
	660 × 255	1524	610	1219	610	1041	610	1473	610	1168	1524	610	1219	610	1041	610	1473	610	1168	610
	660 × 305	1829	610	1448	610	1219	610	1727	610	1372	1829	610	1448	610	1219	610	1727	610	1372	610
	965 × 205	2134	610	1702	610	1448	914	2032	610	1626	2134	610	1702	610	1448	914	2032	610	1626	610
	965 × 255	1930	305	1524	610	1295	610	1829	305	1448	1930	305	1524	610	1295	610	1829	305	1448	610
	965 × 305	2286	610	1803	610	1549	610	2159	610	1727	2286	610	1803	610	1549	610	2159	610	1727	610
	1270 × 205	2692	610	2134	610	1803	610	2565	610	2032	2692	610	2134	610	1803	610	2565	610	2032	610
	1270 × 255	2210	305	1753	305	1499	610	2108	305	1676	2210	305	1753	305	1499	610	2108	305	1676	610
	1270 × 305	2642	305	2083	610	1778	610	2515	610	1981	2642	305	2083	610	1778	610	2515	610	1981	610
Roof, ceiling, and two clear-span floors	355 × 150	3099	610	2464	610	2083	610	2946	610	2337	3099	610	2464	610	2083	610	2946	610	2337	610
	355 × 205	686	610	838	610	432	610	686	610	533	686	610	838	610	432	610	686	610	533	610
	355 × 255	864	610	660	914	559	914	864	610	660	864	610	660	914	559	914	864	610	660	610
	355 × 305	1016	610	787	914	660	914	1016	914	787	1016	610	787	914	660	914	1016	914	787	610
	660 × 102	1219	914	914	914	787	1219	1219	914	914	1219	914	914	914	787	1219	1219	914	914	610
	660 × 150	686	305	508	305	406	305	686	305	508	686	305	508	305	406	305	686	305	508	610
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	965 × 205	1803	610	1372	914	1143	914	1803	610	1372	1803	610	1372	914	1143	914	1803	610	1372	610
	965 × 255	1600	305	1219	610	1041	610	1600	610	1219	1600	305	1219	610	1041	610	1600	610	1219	610
	965 × 305	1905	610	1448	610	1219	610	1905	610	1448	1905	610	1448	610	1219	610	1905	610	1448	610
	1270 × 205	2261	610	1727	610	1448	914	2261	610	1727	2261	610	1727	610	1448	914	2261	610	1727	610
	1270 × 255	1854	305	1422	610	1245	610	1854	305	1422	1854	305	1422	610	1245	610	1854	305	1422	610
	1270 × 305	2210	610	1676	610	1422	610	2210	610	1676	2210	610	1676	610	1422	610	2210	610	1676	610

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 kPa = 20.877 pound per square foot.

- a. Spans are given in millimetres (feet and inches).
- b. Spans are based on minimum design properties for No. 2 grade lumber of Douglas fir-larch, hem-fir, Southern pine, and spruce-pine-fir.
- c. Building width is measured perpendicular to the ridge. For widths between those shown, spans are permitted to be interpolated.
- d. NJ = Number of jack studs required to support each end. Where the number of required jack studs equals one, the header is permitted to be supported by an approved framing anchor attached to the full-height wall stud and to the header.
- e. Use the 3.35 kPa ‘External Load to be Supported’ for persons seeking building permit to build wooden houses. Use 2.4 kPa for Food for the Poor houses and 1.4 kPa for emergency shelter arising from a major disaster.
- f. Spans are calculated assuming the top of the header or girder is laterally braced by perpendicular framing. Where the top of the header or girder is not laterally braced (for example, cripple studs bearing on the header), tabulated spans for headers consisting of 50 x 200 mm, 50 x 250 mm, or 50 x 300 mm (2" x 8", 2" x 10", or 2" x 12") sizes shall be multiplied by 0.70 or the header or girder shall be designed.

TABLE R602.7(2)
GIRDER SPANS^a AND HEADER SPANS^a FOR INTERIOR BEARING WALLS
(Maximum spans for Douglas fir-larch, hem-fir, southern and spruce-pine-fir^b and required number of jack studs)



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HEADERS AND GIRDERS SUPPORTING	SIZE	BUILDING Width ^c (mm)					
		3650		7300		10950	
		Span ^a	NJ ^d	Span ^a	NJ ^d	Span ^a	NJ ^d
One floor only	660 × 102	1250	1	850	1	700	1
	660 × 150	1850	1	1350	1	1050	1
	660 × 205	2350	1	1650	1	1350	2
	660 × 255	2800	1	1950	2	1600	2
	660 × 305	3250	1	2300	2	1900	2
	965 × 205	2950	1	2050	1	1700	1
	965 × 255	3450	1	2450	1	2000	2
	965 × 305	4100	1	2900	2	2350	2
	1270 × 205	3400	1	2400	1	1950	1
	1270 × 255	4050	1	2850	1	2350	1
1270 × 305	4750	1	3350	1	2750	2	
Two floors	660 × 102	750	1	550	1	450	1
	660 × 150	1150	1	850	2	750	2
	660 × 205	1500	1	1100	2	950	2
	660 × 255	1800	2	1300	2	1100	2
	660 × 305	2100	2	1550	2	1300	3
	965 × 205	1900	1	1400	2	1150	2
	965 × 255	2250	1	1650	2	1350	2
	965 × 305	2650	2	1950	2	1650	2
	1270 × 205	2150	1	1650	1	1350	2
	1270 × 255	2600	1	1950	2	1600	2
1270 × 305	3050	1	2250	2	1850	2	

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm= 0.03937 inch , 1 mm= 0.00328 foot .

- a. Spans are given in mm (feet and inches).
- b. Spans are based on minimum design properties for No. 2 grade lumber of Douglas fir-larch, hem-fir, Southern pine, and spruce-pine-fir.
- c. Building width is measured perpendicular to the ridge. For widths between those shown, spans are permitted to be interpolated.
- d. NJ = Number of jack studs required to support each end. Where the number of required jack studs equals one, the header is permitted to be supported by an approved framing anchor attached to the full-height wall stud and to the header.
- e. Spans are calculated assuming the top of the header or girder is laterally braced by perpendicular framing. Where the top of the header or girder is not laterally braced (for example, cripple studs bearing on the header), tabulated spans for headers consisting of 50 x 200 mm, 50 x 250 mm or 2 x 300 mm (2 × 8, 2 × 10, or 2 × 12) sizes shall be multiplied by 0.70 or the header or girder shall be designed.
- f. Use the 3.35 kPa ‘External Load to be Supported’ for persons seeking building permit to build wooden houses. Use 2.4 kPa for Food for the Poor houses and 1.4 kPa for emergency shelter arising from a major disaster.

TABLE R602.7(3)
GIRDER AND HEADER SPANS^a FOR OPEN PORCHES
 (Maximum span for Douglas fir-larch, hem-fir, Southern pine and spruce-pine-fir^b)

SIZE	SUPPORTING ROOF						SUPPORTING FLOOR	
	EXTERNAL LOAD TO BE SUPPORTED (kPa)							
	1.44		2.40		3.35			
	DEPTH OF PORCH ^c (millimetres)							
	2438	4267	2438	4267	2438	4267		
660 × 150	2286	1727	1880	1422	1626	1219	1930	1450
660 × 205	3073	2311	2515	1880	2159	1626	2570	1930
660 × 255	3759	2845	3073	2311	2667	2007	3150	2350
660 × 305	4369	3302	3556	2692	3073	2337	3660	2750

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 kPa = 20.877 pound per square foot.

- a. Spans are given in millim (feet and inches).
- b. Tabulated values assume No. 2 grade lumber, wet service and incising for refractory species
- c. Porch depth is measured horizontally from building face to centerline of the header. For depths between those shown, spans are permitted to be interpolated.

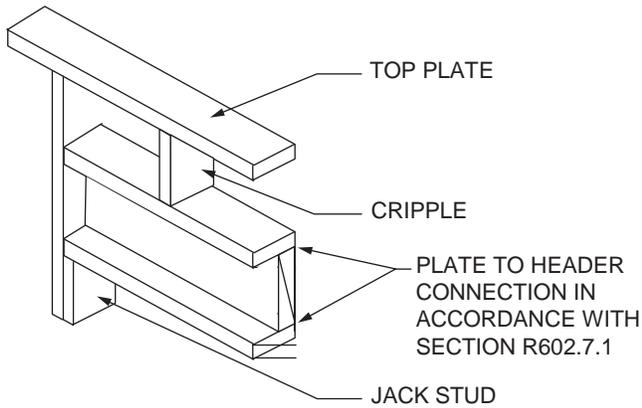


FIGURE R602.7.1(1)
SINGLE-MEMBER HEADER IN EXTERIOR BEARING WALL

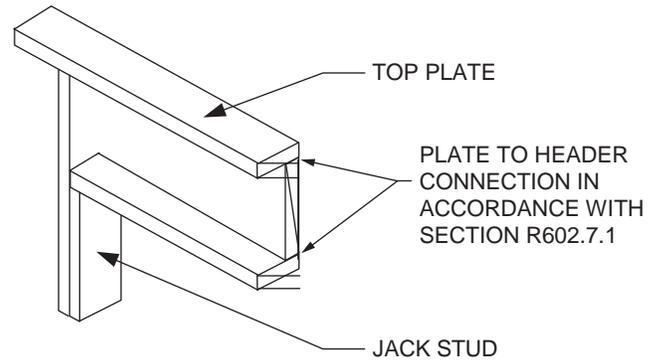


FIGURE R602.7.1(2)
ALTERNATIVE SINGLE-MEMBER HEADER WITHOUT CRIPPLE

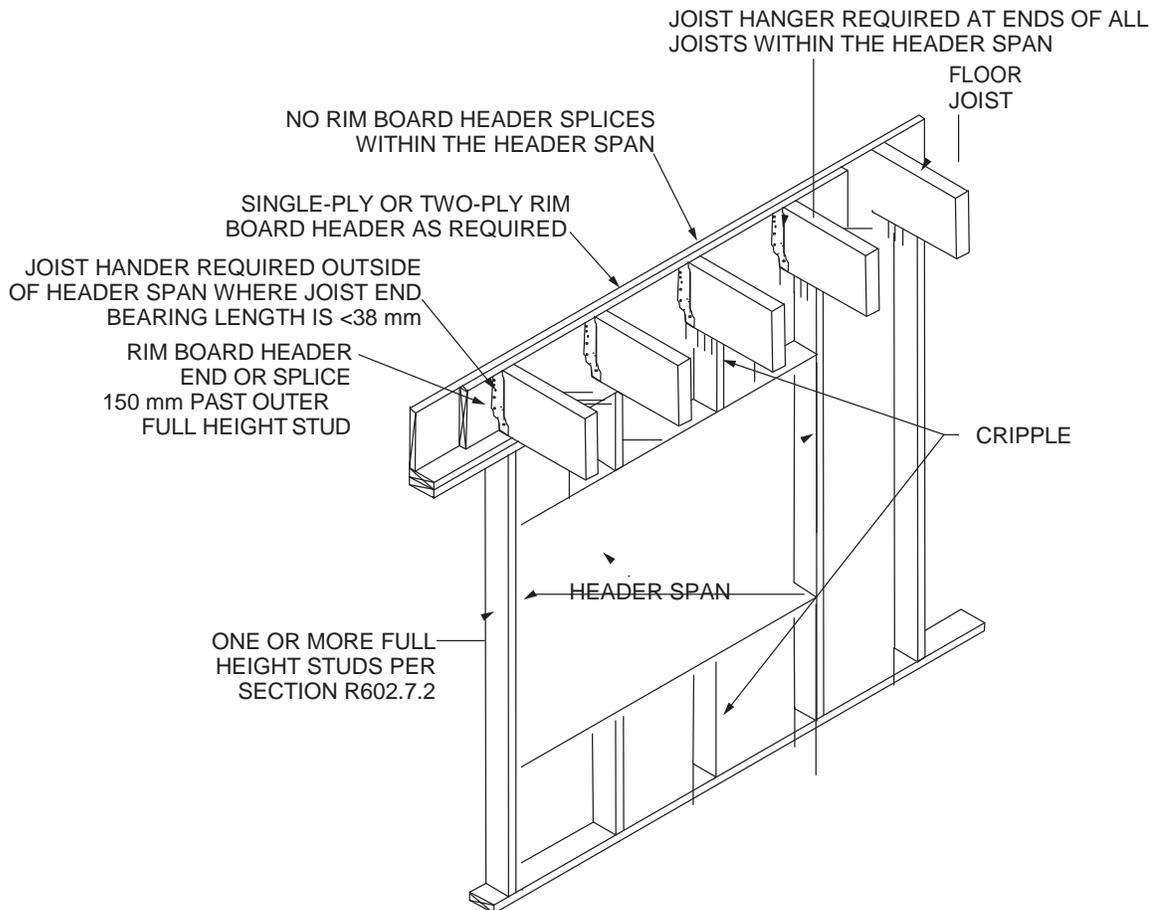


FIGURE R602.7.2
RIM BOARD HEADER CONSTRUCTION

For Inch Pound Units:
25.4 mm = 1 inch.

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R602.7.3 Wood structural panel box headers. Wood structural panel box headers shall be constructed in accordance with Figure R602.7.3 and Table R602.7.3.

R602.7.4 Nonbearing walls. Load-bearing headers are not required in interior or exterior nonbearing walls. A single flat 51 mm by 100 mm (2-inch by 4-inch) member shall be permitted to be used as a header in interior or exterior nonbearing walls for openings up to 2,450 mm (8 feet) in width if the vertical distance to the parallel nailing surface above is not more than 610 mm (24 inches). For such nonbearing headers, cripples or blocking are not required above the header.

R602.7.5 Supports for headers. Headers shall be supported on each end with one or more jack studs or with approved framing anchors in accordance with Table R602.7(1) or R602.7(2). The full-height stud adjacent to each end of the header shall be end nailed to each end of the header with four-16d nails 89 mm x 3.4 mm (3.5 inches x 0.135 inches). The minimum number of full-height studs at each end of a header shall be in accordance with Table R602.7.5.

Cripple walls shall be supported on continuous foundations.

**TABLE R602.7.5
MINIMUM NUMBER OF FULL-HEIGHT STUDS
AT EACH END OF HEADERS IN EXTERIOR WALLS^a**

MAXIMUM HEADER SPAN (mm)	ULTIMATE DESIGN WIND SPEED AND EXPOSURE CATEGORY	
	< 62 m/s, Exposure B or < 58 m/s, Exposure C	≤ 51 m/s, Exposure B ^b
1220	1	1
1828	2	1
2438	2	1
3050	3	2
3657	3	2
4267	3	2
4876	4	2
5486	4	2

For Inch Pound Units : 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 m/s = 2.2 mile per hour.

- For header spans between those given, use the minimum number of full-height studs associated with the larger header span.
- The tabulated minimum number of full-height studs is applicable where jack studs are provided to support the header at each end in accordance with Table R602.7(1). Where a framing anchor is used to support the header in lieu of a jack stud in accordance with Note d of Table R602.7(1), the minimum number of full-height studs at each end of a header shall be in accordance with requirements for wind speed <62 m/s (140 mph), Exposure B.

R602.8 Fireblocking required. Fireblocking shall be provided in accordance with Section R302.11.

R602.9 Cripple walls. Foundation cripple walls shall be framed of studs not smaller than the studding above. Where exceeding 1219 mm (4 feet) in height, such walls shall be framed of studs having the size required for an additional story.

Cripple walls with a stud height less than 356 mm (14 inches) shall be continuously sheathed on one side with wood structural panels fastened to both the top and bottom plates in accordance with Table R602.3(1), or the cripple walls shall be constructed of solid blocking.

R602.10 Wall bracing. Buildings shall be braced in accordance with this section or, when applicable, Section R602.12. Where a building, or portion thereof, does not comply with one or more of the bracing requirements in this section, those portions shall be designed and constructed in accordance with Section R301.1.

R602.10.1 Braced wall lines. For the purpose of determining the amount and location of bracing required in each story level of a building, *braced wall lines* shall be designated as straight lines in the building plan placed in accordance with this section.

R602.10.1.1 Length of a braced wall line. The length of a *braced wall line* shall be the distance between its ends. The end of a *braced wall line* shall be the intersection with a perpendicular *braced wall line*, an angled *braced wall line* as permitted in Section R602.10.1.4 or an exterior wall as shown in Figure R602.10.1.1.

R602.10.1.2 Offsets along a braced wall line. Exterior walls parallel to a *braced wall line* shall be offset not more than 1,220 mm (4 feet) from the designated *braced wall line* location as shown in Figure R602.10.1.1. Interior walls used as bracing shall be offset not more than 1,220 mm (4 feet) from a *braced wall line* through the interior of the building as shown in Figure R602.10.1.1.

R602.10.1.3 Spacing of braced wall lines. The spacing between parallel *braced wall lines* shall be in accordance with Table R602.10.1.3. Intermediate *braced wall lines* through the interior of the building shall be permitted.

R602.10.1.4 Angled walls. Any portion of a wall along a *braced wall line* shall be permitted to angle out of plane for a maximum diagonal length of 2,450 mm (8 feet). Where the angled wall occurs at a corner, the length of the *braced wall line* shall be measured from the projected corner as shown in Figure R602.10.1.4. Where the diagonal length is greater than 2,450 mm (8 feet), it shall be considered to be a separate *braced wall line* and shall be braced in accordance with Section R602.10.1.

R602.10.2 Braced wall panels. *Braced wall panels* shall be full-height sections of wall that shall not have vertical or horizontal offsets. *Braced wall panels* shall be constructed and placed along a *braced wall line* in accordance with this section and the bracing methods specified in Section R602.10.4.

R602.10.2.1 Braced wall panel uplift load path. The bracing lengths in Table R602.10.3(1) apply only when uplift loads are resisted in accordance with Section R602.3.5.

R602.10.2.2 Locations of braced wall panels. A *braced wall panel* shall begin within 3,050 mm (10 feet) from each end of a *braced wall line* as determined in Section R602.10.1.1. The distance between adjacent edges of *braced wall panels* along a *braced wall line* shall be not greater than 6,100 mm (20 feet) as shown in Figure R602.10.2.2.

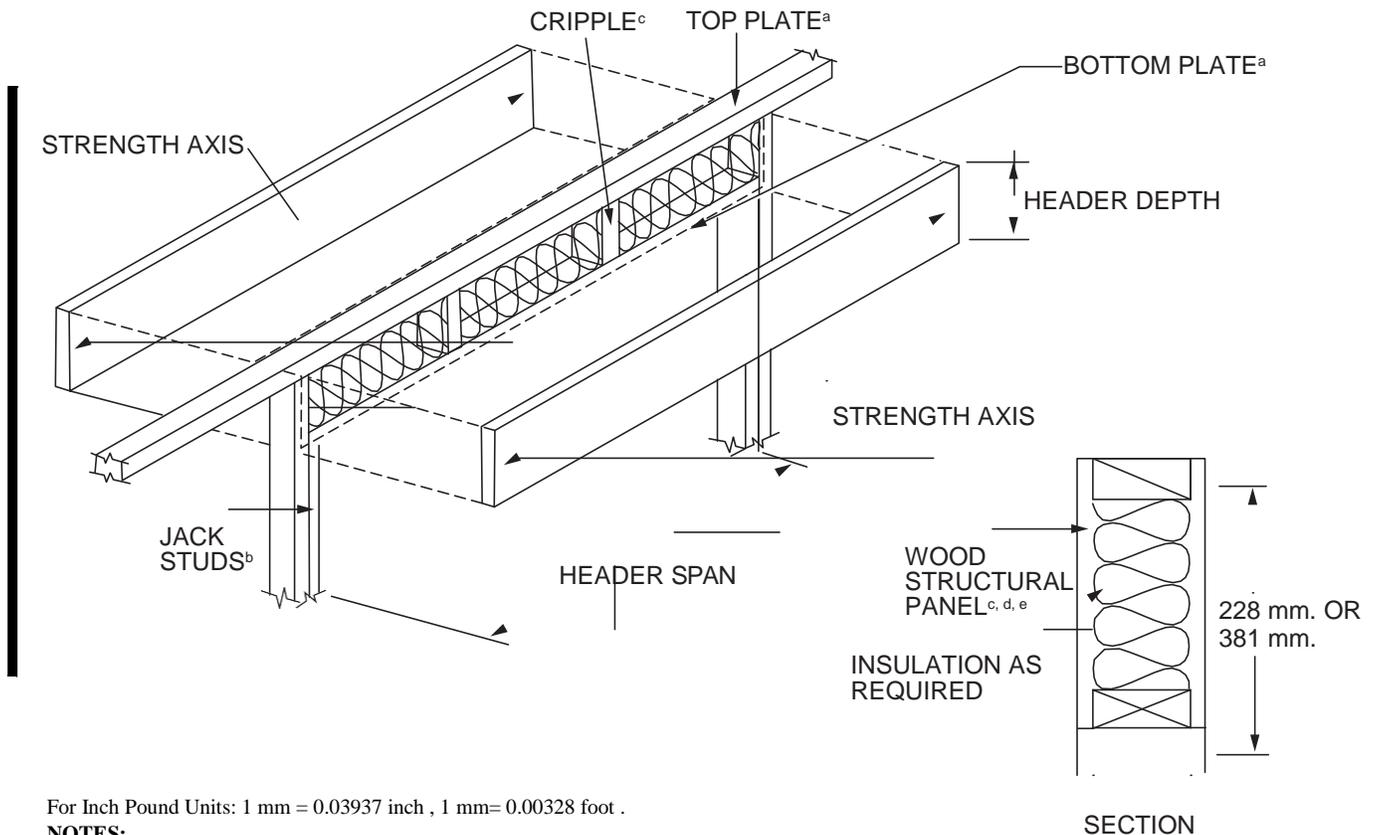
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**TABLE R602.7.3
MAXIMUM SPANS FOR WOOD STRUCTURAL PANEL BOX HEADERS^a**

HEADER CONSTRUCTION ^b	HEADER DEPTH (mm)	HOUSE DEPTH (mm)				
		7315	7924	8534	9144	9753
Wood structural panel—one side	228	102	102	76	76	—
	381	127	127	102	76	76
Wood structural panel—both sides	288	178	127	127	102	76
	381	205	205	178	178	150

For Inch Pound Units : 1 mm= 0.03937 inch , 1 mm= 0.00328 foot .

- a. Spans are based on single story with clear-span trussed roof or two story with floor and roof supported by interior-bearing walls.
- b. See Figure R602.7.3 for construction details.



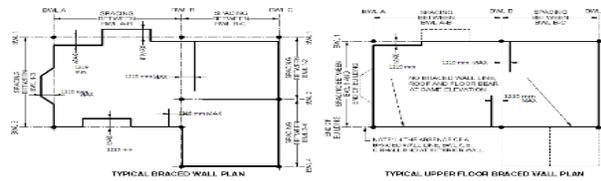
For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch , 1 mm= 0.00328 foot .

NOTES:

- a. The top and bottom plates shall be continuous at header location.
- b. Jack studs shall be used for spans over 1,220 mm (4 feet).
- c. Cripple spacing shall be the same as for studs.
- d. Wood structural panel faces shall be single pieces of 12 mm (¹⁵/₃₂-inch)-thick Exposure 1 (exterior glue) or thicker, installed on the interior or exterior or both sides of the header.
- e. Wood structural panel faces shall be nailed to framing and cripples with 8d common or galvanized box nails spaced 76 mm (3 inches) on center, staggering alternat nails 12.5 mm (¹/₂ inch). Galvanized nails shall be hot-dipped or tumbled.

**FIGURE R602.7.3
TYPICAL WOOD STRUCTURAL PANEL BOX HEADER CONSTRUCTION**

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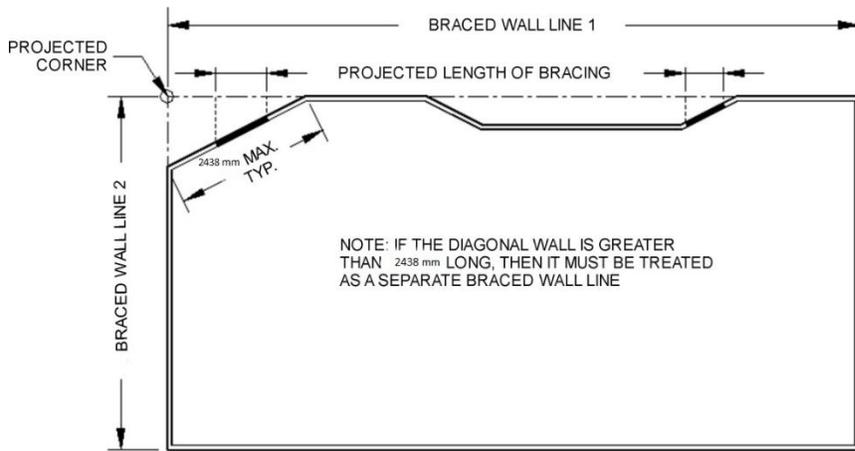
For Inch Pound Units: 1
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**FIGURE R602.10.1.1
BRACED WALL LINES**

**TABLE R602.10.1.3
BRACED WALL LINE SPACING**

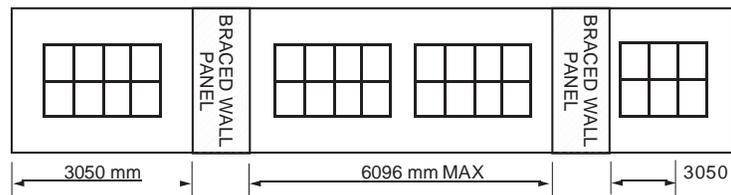
APPLICATION	CONDITION	BUILDING TYPE	BRACED WALL LINE SPACING CRITERIA	
			Maximum Spacing	Exception to Maximum Spacing
Wind bracing	Ultimate design wind speed 45 m/s to < 62 m/s	Detached, townhouse	18288 mm	None
Seismic bracing	SDC A – C	Detached	Use wind bracing	
	SDC A – B	Townhouse	Use wind bracing	
	SDC C	Townhouse	10668 mm	Up to 15240 mm when length of required bracing per Table R602.10.3(3) is adjusted in accordance with Table R602.10.3(4).
	SDC D ₀ , D ₁ , D ₂	Detached, townhouses, one- and two-story only	7620 mm	Up to 10668 mm to allow for a single room not to exceed 83.6 m ² . Spacing of all other braced wall lines shall not exceed 7620 mm.
	SDC D ₀ , D ₁ , D ₂	Detached, townhouse	7620 mm	Up to 10668 mm when length of required bracing per Table R602.10.3(3) is adjusted in accordance with Table R602.10.3(4).

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 m² = 10.76 square foot=, 1 m/s=2.2 mile per hour.



For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.00328 foot .

**FIGURE R602.10.1.4
ANGLED WALLS**



R602.10.2.2.1 Location of braced wall panels in Seismic Design Categories D₀, D₁ and D₂. Braced wall panels shall be located at each end of a braced wall line.

Exception: Braced wall panels constructed of Method WSP or BV-WSP and continuous sheathing methods as specified in Section R602.10.4 shall be permitted to begin not more than 3050 mm (10 feet) from each end of a braced wall line provided that each end complies with one of the following:

1. A minimum 610 mm (24-inch)-wide panel for Methods WSP, CS-WSP, CS-G and CS-PF is applied to each side of the building corner as shown in End Condition 4 of Figure R602.10.7.

The end of each braced wall panel closest to the end of the braced wall line shall have an 8kN (1,800 lb) hold-down device fastened to the stud at the edge of the braced wall panel closest to the corner and to the foundation or framing below as shown in End Condition 5 of Figure R602.10.7. **R602.10.2.3 Minimum number of braced wall panels.** *Braced wall lines* with a length of 4877 mm (16 feet) or less shall have not less than two *braced wall panels* of any length or one *braced wall panel* equal to 1219 mm (48 inches) or more. *Braced wall lines* greater than 4877 mm (16 feet) shall have not less than two *braced wall panels*.

R602.10.3 Required length of bracing. The required length of bracing along each *braced wall line* shall be determined as follows:

1. All buildings in Seismic Design Categories A and B shall use Table R602.10.3(1) and the applicable adjustment factors in Table R602.10.3(2).
2. Detached buildings in Seismic Design Category C shall use Table R602.10.3(1) and the applicable adjustment factors in Table R602.10.3(2).
3. Townhouses in Seismic Design Category C shall use the greater value determined from Table R602.10.3(1) or R602.10.3(3) and the applicable adjustment factors in Table R602.10.3(2) or R602.10.3(4), respectively.
4. All buildings in Seismic Design Categories D₀, D₁ and D₂ shall use the greater value determined from Table R602.10.3(1) or R602.10.3(3) and the applicable adjustment factors in Table R602.10.3(2) or R602.10.3(4), respectively.

Only *braced wall panels* parallel to the *braced wall line* shall contribute toward the required length of bracing of that *braced wall line*. *Braced wall panels* along an angled wall meeting the minimum length requirements of Tables R602.10.5 and R602.10.5.2 shall be permitted to contribute its projected length toward the minimum required length of bracing for the *braced wall line* as shown in Figure R602.10.1.4. Any *braced wall panel* on an angled wall

at the end of a *braced wall line* shall contribute its projected length for only one of the *braced wall lines* at the projected corner.

Exception: The length of wall bracing for dwellings in Seismic Design Categories D₀, D₁ and D₂ with stone or masonry veneer installed in accordance with Section R703.8 and exceeding the first-story height shall be in accordance with Section R602.10.6.5.

R602.10.4 Construction methods for braced wall panels. Intermittent and continuously sheathed *braced wall panels* shall be constructed in accordance with this section and the methods listed in Table R602.10.4.

R602.10.4.1 Mixing methods. Mixing of bracing methods shall be permitted as follows:

1. Mixing intermittent bracing and continuous sheathing methods from story to story shall be permitted.
2. Mixing intermittent bracing methods from *braced wall line* to *braced wall line* within a story shall be permitted. In regions within Seismic Design Categories A, B and C where the ultimate design wind speed is less than or equal to 58 m/s (130 mph), mixing of intermittent bracing and continuous sheathing methods from braced wall line to braced wall line within a story shall be permitted.
3. Mixing intermittent bracing methods along a *braced wall line* shall be permitted in Seismic Design Categories A and B, and detached dwellings in Seismic Design Category C, provided that the length of required bracing in accordance with Table R602.10.3(1) or R602.10.3(3) is the highest value of all intermittent bracing methods used.
4. Mixing of continuous sheathing methods CS-WSP, CS-G and CS-PF along a *braced wall line* shall be permitted. Intermittent methods ABW, PFH and PFG shall be permitted to be used along a *braced wall line* with continuous sheathed methods, provided that the length of required bracing for that braced wall line is determined in accordance with Table R602.10.3(1) or R602.10.3(3) using the highest value of the bracing methods used.
5. In Seismic Design Categories A and B, and for detached one- and two-family dwellings in Seismic Design Category C, mixing of intermittent bracing methods along the interior portion of a *braced wall line* with continuous sheathing methods CS-WSP, CS-G and CS-PF along the exterior portion of the same braced wall line shall be permitted. The length of required bracing shall be the highest value of all intermittent bracing methods used in accordance with Table R602.10.3(1) or R602.10.3(3) as adjusted by Tables R602.10.3(2) and R602.10.3(4), respectively. The requirements of Section R602.10.7 shall apply to each end of the continuously sheathed portion of the braced wall line.

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TABLE R602.10.3(1)
BRACING REQUIREMENTS BASED ON WIND SPEED

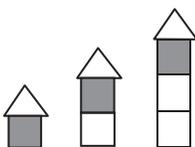
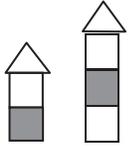
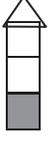
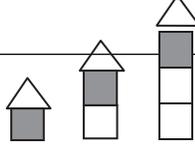
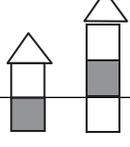
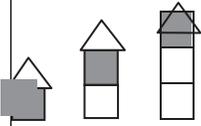
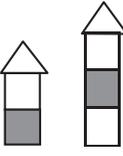
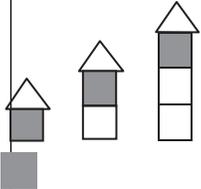
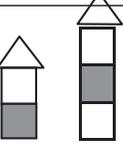
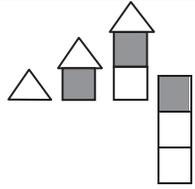
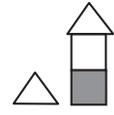
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Ultimate Design Wind Speed (m/s)	Story Location	Braced Wall Line Spacing ^c (mm)	Method LIB ^b	Method GB	Methods DWB, WSP, SFB, PBS, PCP, HPS, BV-WSP, ABW, PFH, PFC, CS-SFB	Methods CS-WSP, CS-G, CS-PF	
Speed		3,050	1,066	1,066	610	457	
		6,096	1,828	1,828	1,066	915	
		9,144	2,591	2,591	1,524	1,372	
		12,192	3,505	3,505	1,981	1,676	
		15,240	4,267	4,267	2,438	2,134	
		18,288	5,029	5,029	2,896	2,438	
	≤ 110		3,050	1,981	1,981	1,066	915
			6,096	3,505	3,505	1,981	1,676
			9,144	5,029	5,029	2,896	2,438
			12,192	6,553	6,553	3,810	3,200
			15,240	8,077	8,077	4,724	3,962
			18,288	9,601	9,601	5,486	4,724
			3,050	NP	2,896	1,676	1,372
			6,096	NP	5,182	3,050	2,591
			9,144	NP	7,468	4,267	3,658
			12,192	NP	9,754	5,639	4,724
			15,240	NP	12,040	7,772	5,791
			18,288	NP	14,173	8,077	7,010
	≤ 51.4		3,050	1,066	1,066	610	610
			6,096	1,981	1,981	1,066	1,066
			9,144	2,896	2,896	1,676	1,372
12,192			3,810	3,810	2,134	1,828	
15,240			4,572	4,572	2,743	2,286	
18,288			5,486	5,486	3,200	2,743	
		3,050	2,134	2,134	1,219	1,066	
		6,096	3,810	3,810	2,286	1,981	
		9,144	5,486	5,486	3,200	2,743	
		12,192	7,163	7,163	4,115	3,505	
		15,240	8,839	8,839	5,029	4,267	
		18,288	10,516	10,516	6,096	5,182	
		3,050	NP	3,050	1,828	1,524	
		6,096	NP	5,639	3,353	2,743	
		9,144	NP	8,229	4,724	3,162	
		12,192	(continued)	10,668	6,096	5,182	
		15,240	NP	13,106	7,468	6,401	
		18,288	NP	15,545	8,839	7,620	

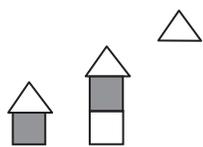
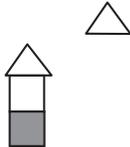
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BRACING REQUIREMENTS BASED ON WIND SPEED

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Ultimate Design Wind Speed (m/s)	Story Location	Braced Wall Line Spacing ^c (mm)	Method LIB ^b	Method GB	Methods DWB, WSP, SFB, PBS, PCP, HPS, BV-WSP, ABW, PFH, PFG, CS-SFB	Methods WSP, CS-G, CS-PF
≤ 53.6		3,050	1,219	1,219	762	610
		6,096	2,134	2,134	1,219	1,066
		9,144	3,200	3,200	1,828	1,524
		12,192	4,115	4,115	2,438	5,029
		15,240	5,029	5,029	2,896	2,438
		18,288	5,944	5,944	3,353	2,896
		3,050	2,286	2,286	1,372	1,066
		6,096	4,267	4,267	2,438	2,134
		9,144	6,096	6,096	3,353	2,896
		12,192	7,772	7,772	4,572	3,810
		15,240	9,601	9,601	5,486	4,724
		18,288	11,430	11,430	6,553	5,639
		3,050	NP	3,353	5,029	1,676
		6,096	NP	6,248	3,353	3,050
		9,144	NP	8,839	5,182	4,420
		12,192	NP	11,582	6,706	5,639
		15,240	NP	14,326	8,230	7,010
		18,288	NP	16,916	9,754	8,230
≤ 58.1		3,050	1,372	1,372	762	762
		6,096	2,591	2,591	1,524	1,219
		9,144	3,658	3,658	2,134	1,828
		12,192	4,724	4,724	2,743	2,286
		15,240	5,944	5,944	3,353	2,896
		18,288	7,010	7,010	3,962	3,353
		3,050	2,591	2,591	1,524	1,372
		6,096	4,877	4,877	2,896	2,438
		9,144	7,010	7,010	4,115	3,353
		12,192	9,144	9,144	5,334	4,572
		15,240	11,281	11,281	6,553	5,486
		18,288	13,411	13,411	7,620	6,553
		3,050	NP	3,962	2,286	5,029
		6,096	NP	7,315	4,115	3,353
		9,144	NP	10,516	5,944	5,182
		12,196	NP	13,566	7,772	6,706
		15,240	NP	16,764	9,601	8,077
		18,288	NP	19,812	9,601	9,601

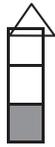
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BRACING REQUIREMENTS BASED ON WIND SPEED

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Ultimate Design Wind Speed (m/s)	Story Location	Braced Wall Line Spacing ^c (mm)	Method LIB ^b	Method GB	Methods DWB, WSP, SFB, PBS, PCP, HPS, BV-WSP, ABW, PFH, PFG, CS-SFB	Methods CS-WSP, CS-G, CS-PF
< 62		3,050	1,676	1,676	915	762
		6,096	3,050	3,050	1,676	1,524
		9,144	4,267	4,267	2,438	2,134
		12,192	5,486	5,486	3,200	2,743
		15,240	6,858	6,858	3,962	3,353
		18,288	8,077	8,077	4,572	3,962
		3,050	3,050	3,050	1,828	1,524
		6,096	5,639	5,639	3,353	2,743
		9,144	8,230	8,230	4,724	3,962
		12,192	10,668	10,668	6,096	5,182
		15,240	13,106	13,106	7,468	6,401
		18,288	15,545	15,545	8,839	7,620
		3,050	NP	4,572	2,591	2,286
		6,096	NP	8,382	4,877	4,115



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		9,144	NP	12,040	7,010	5,944	
		12,192	NP	15,697	8,992	7,620	
		15,240	NP	19,355	11,125	9,449	
		18,288	NP	23,012	13,106	11,125	

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch , 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 m/s= 2.2 mile per hour.

NP = Not Permitted.

- a. Linear interpolation shall be permitted.
- b. Method LIB shall have gypsum board fastened to not less than one side with nails or screws in accordance with Table R602.3(1) for exterior sheathing or Table R702.3.5 for interior gypsum board. Spacing of fasteners at panel edges shall not exceed 205 mm (8 inches).
- c. Where three or more parallel braced wall lines are present and the distances between adjacent braced wall lines are different, the average dimension shall be permitted to be used for braced wall line spacing.

TABLE R602.10.3(2)
WIND ADJUSTMENT FACTORS TO THE REQUIRED LENGTH OF WALL BRACING

ITEM NUMBER	ADJUSTMENT BASED ON	STORY/SUPPORTING	CONDITION	ADJUSTMENT FACTOR ^{a, b} [multiply length from Table R602.10.3(1) by this factor]	APPLICABLE METHODS
1	Exposure category ^d	One-story structure	B	1.00	All methods
			C	1.20	
			D	1.50	
		Two-story structure	B	1.00	
			C	1.30	
			D	1.60	
		Three-story structure	B	1.00	
			C	1.40	
			D	1.70	
2	Roof eave-to-ridge height	Roof only	≤ 1524 mm	0.70	
			3050 mm	1.00	
			4572 mm	1.30	
			6096 mm	1.60	
		Roof + 1 floor	≤ 1524 mm	0.85	
			3050 mm	1.00	
			4572 mm 6096 mm	1.15 1.30	
		Roof + 2 floors	≤ 1,525 mm	0.90	
			3,050 mm	1.00	
4,575 mm 6,100 mm	1.10 Not permitted				
3	Story height (Section R301.3)	Any story	2,440 mm	0.90	
			2,745 m	0.95	
			3,050 mm	1.00	
			3,355 mm	1.05	
			3,660 mm	1.10	
4	Number of braced wall lines (per plan direction) ^c	Any story	2	1.00	
			3	1.30	
			4	1.45	
			≥ 5	1.60	
5	Additional 3558 N hold-down device	Top story only	Fastened to the end studs of each braced wall panel and to the foundation or framing below	0.80	DWB, WSP, SFB, PBS, PCP, HPS
6	Interior gypsum board finish (or equivalent)	Any story	Omitted from inside face of braced wall panels	1.40	DWB, WSP, SFB, PBS, PCP, HPS, CS-WSP, CS-G, CS-SFB

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7	Gypsum board fastening	Any story	100 mm o.c. at panel edges, including top and bottom plates, and all horizontal joints blocked	0.7	GB
8	Horizontal blocking	Any story	Horizontal block is omitted	2.0	WSP, CS-WSP

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 N = 0.22 pound.

- a. Linear interpolation shall be permitted.
- b. The total adjustment factor is the product of all applicable adjustment factors.
- c. The adjustment factor is permitted to be 1.0 when determining bracing amounts for intermediate braced wall lines provided the bracing amounts on adjacent braced wall lines are based on a spacing and number that neglects the intermediate braced wall line.
- d. The same adjustment factor shall be applied to all braced wall lines on all floors of the structure, based on the worst-case exposure category.

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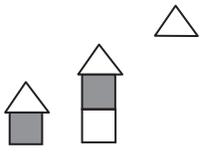
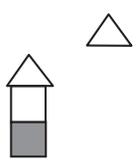
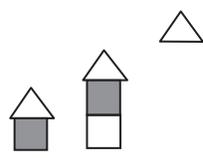
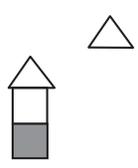
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TABLE R602.10.3(3)
BRACING REQUIREMENTS BASED ON SEISMIC DESIGN CATEGORY

Seismic Design

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1. SOIL CLASS D ^D 4. WALL HEIGHT = 3,050 millimetres 5. 0.479 kPa FLOOR DEAD LOAD 6. 0.719 kPa ROOF/CEILING DEAD LOAD 5. BRACED WALL LINE SPACING ≤ 7,620 millimetres			MINIMUM TOTAL LENGTH (MILLIMETRES) OF BRACED WALL PANELS REQUIRED ALONG EACH BRACED WALL LINE ^{a, f}				
Category	Story Location	Braced Wall Line Length (millimetres) ^e	Method LIB ^d	Method GB	Methods DWB, SFB, PBS, PCP, HPS, CS-SFB ^g	Method WSP	Method CS-WSP, CS-G, CS-PF
C (townhouses only)		3,050	762	762	762	488	427
		6,100	1,524	1,524	1,524	975	823
		9,150	2,286	2,286	2,286	1,463	1,250
		12,200	3,050	3,050	3,050	1,951	1,646
		15,250	3,810	3,810	3,810	2,438	2,073
		3,050	NP	1,372	1,372	914	792
		6,100	NP	2,743	2,743	1,828	1,554
		9,150	NP	4,115	4,115	2,742	2,347
		12,200	NP	5,487	5,487	3,656	3,109
		15,250	NP	6,858	6,858	4,572	3,901
		3,050	NP	1,829	1,829	1,372	1,158
		6,100	NP	3,658	3,658	2,743	2,347
		9,150	NP	5,486	5,486	4,115	3,505
		12,200	NP	7,315	7,315	5,486	4,663
		15,250	NP	9,144	9,144	6,858	5,822
D _o		3,050	NP	853	853	549	488
		6,100	NP	1,676	1,676	1,097	945
		9,150	NP	2,530	2,530	1,646	1,402
		12,200	NP	3,353	3,353	2,195	1,859
		15,250	NP	4,206	4,206	2,743	2,347
		3,050	NP	1,615	1,615	1,158	975
		6,100	NP	3,200	3,200	2,286	1,951
		9,150	NP	4,816	4,816	3,444	2,926
		12,200	NP	6,401	6,401	4,572	3,901
		15,250	NP	8,016	8,016	5,730	4,877
		3,050	NP	2,225	2,225	1,615	1,372
		6,100	NP	4,420	4,420	3,200	2,743
		9,150	NP	6,645	6,645	4,816	4,084
		12,200	NP	8,839	8,839	6,401	5,456
		15,250	NP	11,064	11,064	8,016	6,797

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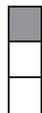
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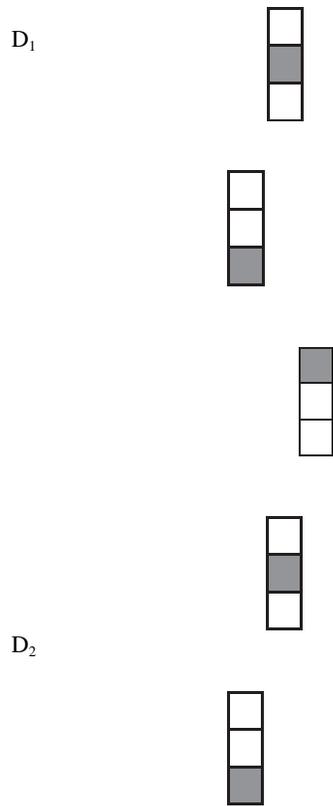
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Length (feet) ^c	Method LIB ^d	Method GB	DWB, SFB, PBS, PCP, HPS, CS-SFB ^e	Method WSP	CS-WSP, CS-G, CS-PF
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Location





Cripple wall below one- or two-story dwelling

1. SOIL CLASS D ^b 7. WALL HEIGHT = 3,050 millimetres 8. 0.479 kPa FLOOR DEAD LOAD 9. 0.719 kPa ROOF/CEILING DEAD LOAD 5. BRACED WALL LINE SPACING ≤ 7,620 millimetres			MINIMUM TOTAL LENGTH (MILLIMETRES) OF BRACED WALL PANELS REQUIRED ALONG EACH BRACED WALL LINE ^{a, f}					
Category	Story Location	Braced Wall Line Length (millimetres) ^e	Method LIB ^d	Method GB	Methods DWB, SFB, PBS, PCP, HPS, CS-SFB ^g	Method WSP	Method CS-WSP, CS-G, CS-PF	
D ₁		3,050	NP	915	915	610	518	
		6,100	NP	1,830	1,830	1,330	1,036	
		9,150	NP	2,745	2,745	1,830	1,554	
		12,200	NP	3,660	3,660	2,440	2,072	
		15,250	NP	4,575	4,575	3,050	2,590	
		3,050	NP	1,830	1,830	1,830	1,373	1,158
		6,100	NP	3,660	3,660	3,660	2,745	2,347
		9,150	NP	5,490	5,490	5,490	4,118	3,505
		12,200	NP	7,320	7,320	7,320	5,490	4,663
		15,250	NP	9,150	9,150	9,150	6,863	5,821
		3,050	NP	2,590	2,590	2,590	1,830	1,554
		6,100	NP	5,180	5,180	5,180	3,660	3,108
		9,150	NP	7,770	7,770	7,770	5,490	4,662
		12,200	NP	10,360	10,360	10,360	7,320	6,216

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		15,250	NP	12,950	12,950	9,150	7,770
D ₂		3,050	NP	1,220	1,220	760	640
		6,100	NP	2,440	2,440	1,525	1,311
		9,150	NP	3,660	3,660	2,285	1,951
		12,200	NP	4,880	4,880	3,050	2,591
		15,250	NP	6,100	6,100	3,810	3,231
		3,050	NP	2,286	2,286	1,676	1,433
		6,100	NP	4,575	4,575	3,352	2,866
		9,150	NP	6,863	6,863	5,028	4,267
		12,200	NP	9,150	9,150	8,380	5,700
		15,250	NP	11,438	11,438	10,056	7,133
		3,050	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP
		6,100	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP
		9,150	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP
		12,200	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP
		15,250	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP
		3,050	NP	NP	NP	2,286	1,951
		6,100	NP	NP	NP	4,572	3,901
		9,150	NP	NP	NP	6,858	5,822
		12,200	NP	NP	NP	9,144	7,772
		15,250	NP	NP	NP	11,430	9,723

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 kPa = 20.877 pound per square foot.

NP = Not Permitted.

- Linear interpolation shall be permitted.
- Wall bracing lengths are based on a soil site class "D." Interpolation of bracing length between the S_{ds} values associated with the seismic design categories shall be permitted when a site-specific S_{ds} value is determined in accordance with Section 1613.2 of the *Jamaica Building Code*.
- Where the braced wall line length is greater than 15,240 mm (50 feet), braced wall lines shall be permitted to be divided into shorter segments having lengths of 15,240 mm (50 feet) or less, and the amount of bracing within each segment shall be in accordance with this table.
- Method LIB shall have gypsum board fastened to not less than one side with nails or screws in accordance with Table R602.3(1) for exterior sheathing or Table R702.3.5 for interior gypsum board. Spacing of fasteners at panel edges shall not exceed 205 mm (8 inches).
- Methods PFG and CS-SFB do not apply in Seismic Design Categories D₀, D₁ and D₂.
- Where more than one bracing method is used, mixing methods shall be in accordance with Section R602.10.4.1.

TABLE R602.10.3(4)
SEISMIC ADJUSTMENT FACTORS TO THE REQUIRED LENGTH OF WALL BRACING There are no categories A, B or C in Jamaica. SDC starts at Category D.

ITEM NUMBER	ADJUSTMENT BASED ON	STORY	CONDITION	ADJUSTMENT FACTOR ^{a,b} [Multiply length from Table R602.10.3(3) by this factor]	APPLICABLE METHODS
1	Story height (Section 301.3)	Any story	≤ 3050 mm	1.0	All methods
			> 3050 mm and ≤ 3657 mm	1.2	
2	Braced wall line spacing, townhouses in SDC C	Any story	≤ 10668 mm	1.0	
			> 10668 mm and ≤ 15240 mm	1.43	
3	Braced wall line spacing, in SDC D ₀ , D ₁ , D ₂ ^c	Any story	> 7620 mm and ≤ 9144 mm	1.2	
			> 9144 mm and ≤ 10668 mm	1.4	
4	Wall dead load	Any story	> 0.38 kPa and < 0.72 kPa	1.0 0.85	
5	Roof/ceiling dead load for wall supporting	1-, 2- or 3-story building	≤ 0.72 Kpa	1.0	
		2- or 3-story building	> 0.72 kPa and ≤ 1.20 kPa	1.1	
		1-story building or top story	> 0.72 kPa and ≤ 1.20 kPa	1.2	
6	Walls with stone or masonry veneer, townhouses in SDC C ^{d,e}		1.0	All methods	
			1.5		
			1.5		
7	Walls with stone or masonry veneer, detached one- and two-family dwellings in SDC D ₀ – D ₂ ^{d, F}	Any story	See Table R602.10.6.5	BV-WSP	
8	Walls with stone or masonry veneer, detached one- and two-family dwellings in SDC D ₀ – D ₂ ^{d, F}	First and second story of two-story dwelling	See Table R602.10.6.5	1.2	WSP, CS-WSP
9	Interior gypsum board finish (or equivalent)	Any story	Omitted from inside face of braced wall panels	1.5	DWB, WSP, SFB, PBS, PCP, HPS, CS-WSP, CS-G, CS-SFB
10	Horizontal blocking	Any story	Horizontal blocking omitted	2.0	WSP, CS-WSP

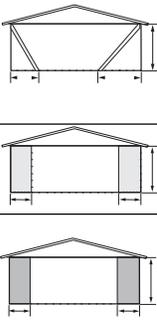
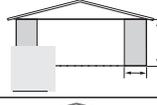
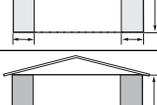
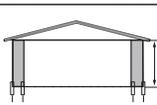
For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.00328 foot , 1a = 20.8 pound per square foot .

- a. Linear interpolation shall be permitted.
- b. The total length of bracing required for a given wall line is the product of all applicable adjustment factors.
- c. The length-to-width ratio for the floor/roof diaphragm shall not exceed 3:1.
- d. Applies to stone or masonry veneer exceeding the first story height.

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- e. The adjustment factor for stone or masonry veneer shall be applied to all exterior braced wall lines and all braced wall lines on the interior of the building, backing or perpendicular to and laterally supporting veneered walls.
- f. See Section R602.10.6.5 for requirements where stone or masonry veneer does not exceed the first-story height.

**TABLE R602.10.4
BRACING METHODS**

METHODS, MATERIAL	MINIMUM THICKNESS	FIGURE	CONNECTION CRITERIA ^a		
			Fasteners	Spacing	
(See Section R604) Intermittent Bracing Methods panels with stone or masonry veneer (See Section R602.10.6.5)	LIB Let-in-bracing DWB Diagonal wood boards WSP Wood structural panel BV-WSP^e Wood structural	1 × 4 wood or approved metal straps at 45° to 60° angles for maximum 405 mm 16" stud spacing 19 mm (25 mm nominal) for maximum 610 mm stud spacing 9.5 mm " 100 mm 11 mm 12.5 mm or 20 mm for maximum 405 mm stud spacing 12.5 mm 9.5 mm or 12.5 mm for 8 2 maximum 405 mm stud spacing See Section R703.7 for	    	Wood: 2-8d common nails or 3-8d (63.5 mm long x 2.87 mm top and bottom plates dia.) nails Metal strap: per manufacturer 2-8d (63.5 mm long x 2.87 mm nails or 2 -44.45 mm long staples Exterior sheathing per R602.3(3) Interior sheathing per Table R602.3(1) or R602.3(2) 8d common (63.5 mm x 2.87 mm) nails 38 mm long x 3 mm dia. (for 12.5 mm thick sheathing) 44.45 mm long x 3 mm dia. (for 19 mm thick sheathing) galvanized roofing nails Nails or screws per Table R602.3(1) for exterior locations Nails or screws per Table R702.3.5 for interior locations For 9.5 mm, 6d common (51 mm long x 2.87 mm dia.) nails For 12.5 mm 8d common (63.5 mm 2 " dia.) nails long x 3.32 mm 38 mm long, 11 gage, 11 mm dia. head nails	Wood per stud and Metal: per manufacturer Per stud dia.) 150 mm edges 305 mm field Varies by fastener at panel edges 305 mm at intermediate supports 100 mm at braced wall panel end posts 76 mm edges 150 mm field For all braced wall panel locations: 178 mm edges (including top and bottom plates) 178 mm field 76 mm edges 150 mm field 150 mm o.c. on all framing members long, 16 gage staples 2.33 mm dia., 5.7 mm dia. head nails with length to accommodate 38 mm penetration into studs See Section R602.10.6.1 See Section R602.10.6.1
	PCP Portland cement plaster HPS Hardboard panel siding ABW Alternate braced wall	maximum 405 mm stud spacing 11 mm for maximum 405 mm stud spacing 9.55 mm3	long, 16 gage staples 2.33 mm dia., 5.7 mm dia. head nails with length to accommodate 38 mm penetration into studs See Section R602.10.6.1	members 102 mm edges 205 mm field See Section R602.10.6.1	

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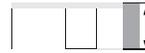
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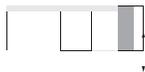


11 mm

9.5 mm



9.5 mm



- For Inch Pound Units : 1 mm= 0.03937 inch , 1 mm= 0.00328 foot , 1 degree = 0.0175 rad, 1 N/m²=0.02 Pound per square foot , 1 m/s= 2.2 mile per hour .
- a. Adhesive attachment of wall sheathing, including Method GB, shall not be permitted in Seismic Design Categories C, D₀, D₁ and D₂.
 - b. Applies to panels next to garage door opening where supporting gable end wall or roof load only. Shall only be used on one wall of the garage. In Seismic Design Categories D₀, D₁ and D₂ roof covering dead load shall not exceed 0.14 KPa (3 psf).
 - c. Garage openings adjacent to a Method CS-G panel shall be provided with a header in accordance with Table R602.7(1). A full-height clear opening shall not be permitted adjacent to a Method CS-G panel.
 - d. Method CS-SFB does not apply in Seismic Design Categories D₀, D₁ and D₂.
 - e. Method applies to detached one- and two-family dwellings in Seismic Design Categories D₀ through D₂ only.

R602.10.4.2 Continuous sheathing methods. Continuous sheathing methods require structural panel sheathing to be used on all sheathable surfaces on one side of a *braced wall line* including areas above and below openings and gable end walls and shall meet the requirements of Section R602.10.7.

R602.10.4.3 Braced wall panel interior finish material. *Braced wall panels* shall have gypsum wall board installed on the side of the wall opposite the bracing material. Gypsum wall board shall be not less than 12.5 mm ($\frac{1}{2}$ inch) in thickness and be fastened with nails or screws in accordance with Table R602.3(1) for exterior sheathing or Table R702.3.5 for interior gypsum wall board. Spacing of fasteners at panel edges for gypsum wall board opposite Method LIB bracing shall not exceed 205 mm (8 inches). Interior finish material shall not be glued in Seismic Design Categories D₀, D₁ and D₂.

Exceptions:

1. Interior finish material is not required opposite wall panels that are braced in accordance with Methods GB, BV-WSP, ABW, PFH, PFG and CS-PF, unless otherwise required by Section R302.6.
2. An approved interior finish material with an in-plane shear resistance equivalent to gypsum wall board shall be permitted to be substituted, unless otherwise required by Section R302.6.
3. Except for Method LIB, gypsum wall board is permitted to be omitted provided that the required length of bracing in Tables R602.10.3(1) and R602.10.3(3) is multiplied by the appropriate adjustment factor in Tables R602.10.3(2) and R602.10.3(4), respectively, unless otherwise required by Section R302.6.

R602.10.4.4 Panel joints. Vertical joints of panel sheathing shall occur over and be fastened to common studs. Horizontal joints of panel sheathing in *braced wall panels* shall occur over and be fastened to common blocking of a thickness of 38 mm ($1\frac{1}{2}$ inches) or greater.

Exceptions:

1. For methods WSP and CS-WSP, blocking of horizontal joints is permitted to be omitted when adjustment factor No. 8 of Table R602.10.3(2) or No. 9 of Table R602.10.3(4) is applied.
2. Vertical joints of panel sheathing shall be permitted to occur over double studs, where adjoining panel edges are attached to separate studs with the required panel edge fastening schedule, and the adjacent studs are attached together with two rows of 10d box nails 76 mm by 3.25 mm [3 inches by 0.128 inch at 255 mm (10 inches) o.c..

3. Blocking at horizontal joints shall not be required in wall segments that are not counted as *braced wall panels*.

4. Where Method GB panels are installed horizontally, blocking of horizontal joints is not required.

R602.10.5 Minimum length of a braced wall panel. The minimum length of a *braced wall panel* shall comply with Table R602.10.5. For Methods CS-WSP and CS-SFB, the minimum panel length shall be based on the adjacent clear opening height in accordance with Table R602.10.5 and Figure R602.10.5. Where a panel has an opening on either side of differing heights, the taller opening height shall be used to determine the panel length.

R602.10.5.1 Contributing length. For purposes of computing the required length of bracing in Tables R602.10.3(1) and R602.10.3(3), the contributing length of each *braced wall panel* shall be as specified in Table R602.10.5.

R602.10.5.2 Partial credit. For Methods DWB, WSP, SFB, PBS, PCP and HPS in Seismic Design Categories A, B and C, panels between 915 mm by 1219 mm (36 inches and 48 inches) in length shall be considered a *braced wall panel* and shall be permitted to partially contribute toward the required length of bracing in Tables R602.10.3(1) and R602.10.3(3), and the contributing length shall be determined from Table R602.10.5.2.

R602.10.6 Construction of Methods ABW, PFH, PFG, CS-PF and BV-WSP. Methods ABW, PFH, PFG, CS-PF and BV-WSP shall be constructed as specified in Sections R602.10.6.1 through R602.10.6.5.

R602.10.6.1 Method ABW: Alternate braced wall panels. Method ABW *braced wall panels* shall be constructed in accordance with Figure R602.10.6.1. The hold-down force shall be in accordance with Table R602.10.6.1.

R602.10.6.2 Method PFH: Portal frame with hold-downs. Method PFH *braced wall panels* shall be constructed in accordance with Figure R602.10.6.2.

R602.10.6.3 Method PFG: Portal frame at garage door openings in Seismic Design Categories A, B and C. Where supporting a roof or one story and a roof, a Method PFG *braced wall panel* constructed in accordance with Figure R602.10.6.3 shall be permitted on either side of garage door openings.

R602.10.6.4 Method CS-PF: Continuously sheathed portal frame. Continuously sheathed portal frame *braced wall panels* shall be constructed in accordance with Figure

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R602.10.6.4 and Table R602.10.6.4. The number of continuously sheathed portal frame panels in a single *braced wall line* shall not exceed four.

TABLE R602.10.5
MINIMUM LENGTH OF BRACED WALL PANELS

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METHOD (See Table R602.10.4)		MINIMUM LENGTH ^a (mm)					CONTRIBUTING LENGTH (mm)
		Wall Height					
		2438 mm	2743 mm	3050 mm	3352 mm	3657 mm	
DWB, WSP, SFB, PBS, PCP, HPS, BV-WSP		1219	1219	1219	1346	1473	Actual ^b
GB		1219	1219	1219	1346	1473	Double sided = Actual Single sided = 12.5 × Actual
LIB		1397	1574	1752	NP	NP	Actual ^b
AB W	SDC A, B and C, ultimate design wind speed < 62 m/s	685	812	863	965	1066	1219
	SDC D ₀ , D ₁ and D ₂ , ultimate design wind speed < 62 m/s	812	812	863	NP	NP	
CS-G		610	660	762	838	914	Actual ^b
CS-WSP, CS-SFB	Adjacent clear opening height (mm)						Actual ^b
	≤ 1625	610	685	762	838	914	
	1727	660	685	762	838	914	
	1828	685	685	762	838	914	
	1930	762	736	762	838	914	
	2032	812	762	762	838	914	
	2133	889	812	812	838	914	
	2235	965	889	838	838	914	
	2336	1092	939	889	889	914	
	2438	1219	1041	965	914	914	
	2540	—	1117	1016	965	965	
	2641	—	1244	1092	1016	990	
	2743	—	1371	1168	1092	1041	
	2844	—	—	1270	1143	1092	
	2946	—	—	1397	1219	1143	
	3050	—	—	1524	1320	1219	
	3149	—	—	—	1422	1295	
	3251	—	—	—	1549	1371	
3352	—	—	—	1676	1473		
3454	—	—	—	—	1574		
3556	—	—	—	—	1676		
3657	—	—	—	—	1828		
METHOD (See Table R602.10.4)		Portal header height					
		2438 mm	2743 mm	3050 mm	3352 mm	3657 mm	
PF H	Supporting roof only	405	405	405	Note c	Note c	1219
	Supporting one story and roof	610	610	610	Note c	Note c	
PFG		610	685	762	Note d	Note d	38 × Actual ^b
CS- PF	SDC A, B and C	16	457	510	Note e	Note e	38 × Actual ^b
	SDC D ₀ , D ₁ and D ₂	16	457	510	Note e	Note e	Actual ^b

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 m/s = 2.2 mile per hour.

NP = Not Permitted.

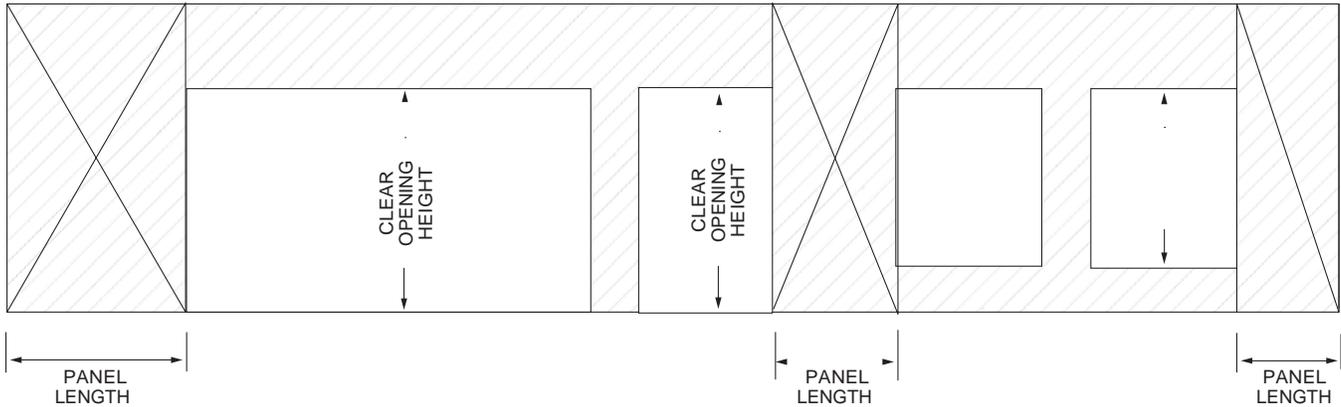
a. Linear interpolation shall be permitted.

b. Use the actual length where it is greater than or equal to the minimum length.

c. Maximum header height for PFH is 3,050 mm (10 feet) in accordance with Figure R602.10.6.2, but wall height shall be permitted to be increased to 3,657 mm (12 feet) with pony wall.

d. Maximum header height for PFG is 3,050 mm (10 feet) in accordance with Figure R602.10.6.3, but wall height shall be permitted to be increased to 3,657 mm (12 feet) with pony wall.

e. Maximum header height for CS-PF is 3,050 mm (10 feet) in accordance with Figure R602.10.6.4, but wall height shall be permitted to be increased to 3,657 mm (12 feet) with pony wall.



**FIGURE R602.10.5
BRACED WALL PANELS WITH CONTINUOUS SHEATHING**

**TABLE R602.10.5.2
PARTIAL CREDIT FOR BRACED WALL PANELS LESS THAN 1,220 mm IN ACTUAL LENGTH**

ACTUAL LENGTH OF BRACED WALL PANEL (mm)	CONTRIBUTING LENGTH OF BRACED WALL PANEL (mm) ^a	
	2438-mm Wall Height	2743-mm Wall Height
1219	1219	1219
1066	914	914
914	685	NA

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm= 0.03937 inch , 1 mm= 0.00328 foot .

NA = Not Applicable.

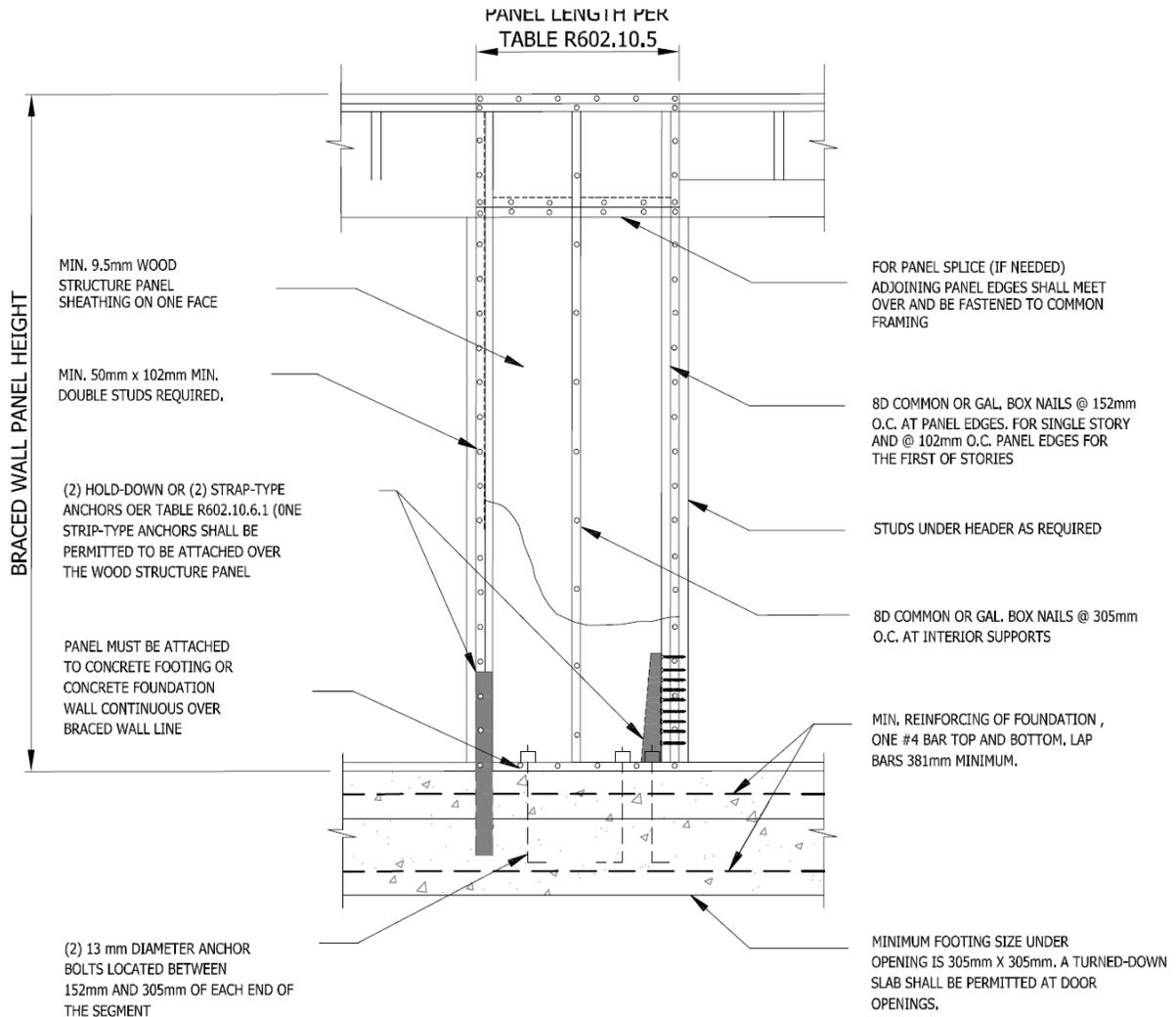
a. Linear interpolation shall be permitted.

**TABLE R602.10.6.1
MINIMUM HOLD-DOWN FORCES FOR METHOD ABW BRACED WALL PANELS**

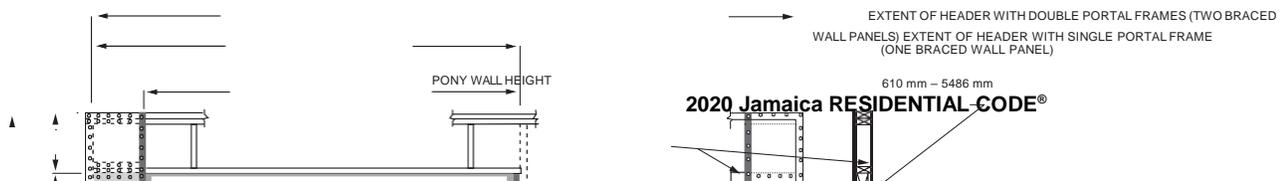
ACTUAL LENGTH OF BRACED WALL PANEL (mm)	CONTRIBUTING LENGTH OF BRACED WALL PANEL (mm) ^a	
	2438-mm Wall Height	2743-mm Wall Height
1219	1219	1219
1066	914	914
914	685	NA

SEISMIC DESIGN CATEGORY AND WIND SPEED	SUPPORTING/STORY	HOLD-DOWN FORCE (N)				
		Height of Braced Wall Panel				
		2438 mm	2743 mm	3050 mm	3352 mm	3657 mm
SDC A, B and C Ultimate design wind speed < 62 m/s	One story	8006	8006	8006	8896	9786
	First of two stories	13344	13344	13344	14679	16013
SDC D ₀ , D ₁ and D ₂ Ultimate design wind speed <62 m/s	One story	8006	8006	8006	NP	NP
	First of two stories	13344	13344	13344	NP	NP

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 N = 0.22 pound, 1 m/s= 2.2 mile per hour. NP = Not Permitted.



**FIGURE R602.10.6.1
METHOD ABW—ALTERNATE BRACED WALL PANEL**



FINISHED WIDTH OF OPENING FOR SINGLE OR DOUBLE PORTAL

FASTEN KING STUD TO HEADER WITH 6 16D SINKERS

TENSION STRAP PER TABLE R602.10.6.4 (ON OPPOSITE SIDE OF SHEATHING)

MIN. 76mm x 286mm NET HEADER STEEL HEADER PROHIBITED IF 1/2" SPACER IS USED, PLACE ON BACK-SIDE OF HEADER

FASTEN SHEATHING TO HEADER WITH 8D COMMON OR GALVANIZED BOX NAILS IN 76 mm GRID PATTERN AS SHOWN

HEADER TO JACK-STUD STRAP PER TABLE R602.10.6.4 ON BOTH SIDES OF OPENING OPPOSITE SIDE OF SHEATHING

MIN. DOUBLE 51 x 100 mm FRAMING COVERED WITH MIN. 9.5 mm THICK WOOD STRUCTURAL PANEL SHEATHING WITH 8D COMMON OR GALVANIZED BOX NAILS AT 76 mm O.C. IN ALL FRAMING (STUDS, BLOCKING, AND SILLS) TYP.

MIN. LENGTH OF PANEL PER TABLE R602.10.5

MIN. (2) 15,568 N STRAP-TYPE HOLD-DOWNS (EMBEDDED INTO CONCRETE AND NAILED INTO FRAMING)

3660 mm MAX. TOTAL WALL

980 mm MAX.

MIN. REINFORCING FOUNDATI

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OF FOOTING. LAP BARS 380 mm MIN.

IF NEEDED, PANEL SPLICE EDGES SHALL OCCUR OVER AND BE NAILED TO COMMON BLOCKING WITHIN THE MIDDLE 610 mm OF THE PORTAL-LEG HEIGHT. ONE ROW OF 76 mm O.C. NAILING IS REQUIRED IN EACH PANEL EDGE.

FASTEN TOP PLATE TO HEADER WITH TWO ROWS OF 16D SINKER NAILS AT 76mm O.C. TYP.

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MIN. 9.5 mm WOOD STRUCTURAL PANEL SHEATHING

MIN. DOUBLE 51 x 100 mm POST (KING AND JACK STUD); NUMBER OF JACK STUDS PER TABLE R602.7(1) & (2).

MIN. 4.448 N. HOLD-DOWN DEVICE (EMBEDDED INTO CONCRETE AND NAILED INTO FRAMING).

MIN. FOOTING SIZE UNDER OPENING IS 305 mm x 305 mm. TURNED DOWN SLAB SHALL BE PERMITTED AT DOOR OPENINGS. MIN.

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For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328foot = 304.8 mm.

R602.10.6.5 Wall bracing for dwellings with stone and masonry veneer in Seismic Design Categories D₀, D₁ and D₂. Where stone and masonry veneer are installed in accordance with Section R703.8, wall bracing on exterior *braced wall lines* and *braced wall lines* on the interior of the building, backing or perpendicular to and laterally supporting veneered walls shall comply with this section.

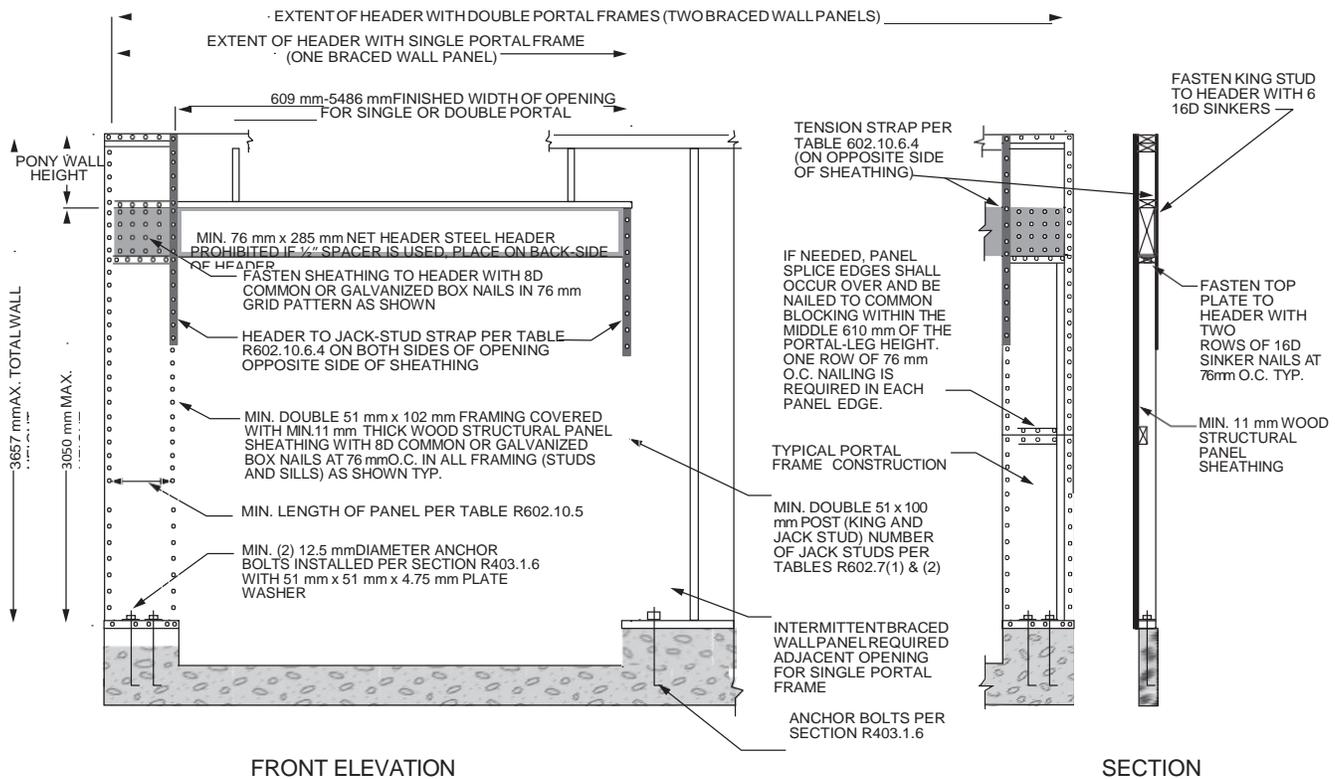
Where dwellings in Seismic Design Categories D₀, D₁ and D₂ have stone or masonry veneer installed in accordance with Section R703.8, and the veneer does not exceed the first-story height, wall bracing shall be in accordance with Section R602.10.3.

Where detached one- or two-family dwellings in Seismic Design Categories D₀, D₁ and D₂ have stone or masonry veneer installed in accordance with Section R703.8, and the veneer exceeds the first-story height, wall bracing at exterior *braced wall lines* and *braced wall lines* on the interior of the building shall be constructed using Method BV-WSP in accordance with this section and Figure R602.10.6.5. Cripple walls shall not be permitted, and required interior *braced wall lines* shall be supported on continuous foundations.

Where detached one- or two-family dwellings in Seismic Design Categories D₀, D₁ and D₂ have exterior veneer installed in accordance with Section R703.8 and are braced in accordance with Method WSP or CS-WSP, veneer shall be permitted in the second story in accordance with Item 1 or 2, provided that the dwelling does not extend more than two stories above grade plane, the veneer does not exceed 127 mm (5 inches) in thickness, the height of veneer on gable-end walls does not extend more than 2,450 mm (8 feet) above the bearing wall top plate elevation, and the total length of *braced wall panel* specified by Table R602.10.3(3) is multiplied by 1.2 for each first- and second-story *braced wall line*.

1. The total area of the veneer on the second-story exterior walls shall be permitted to extend up to 25 percent of the occupied second floor area.
2. The veneer on the second-story exterior walls shall be permitted to cover one side of the dwelling, including walls on bay windows and similar appurtenances within the one dwelling side.

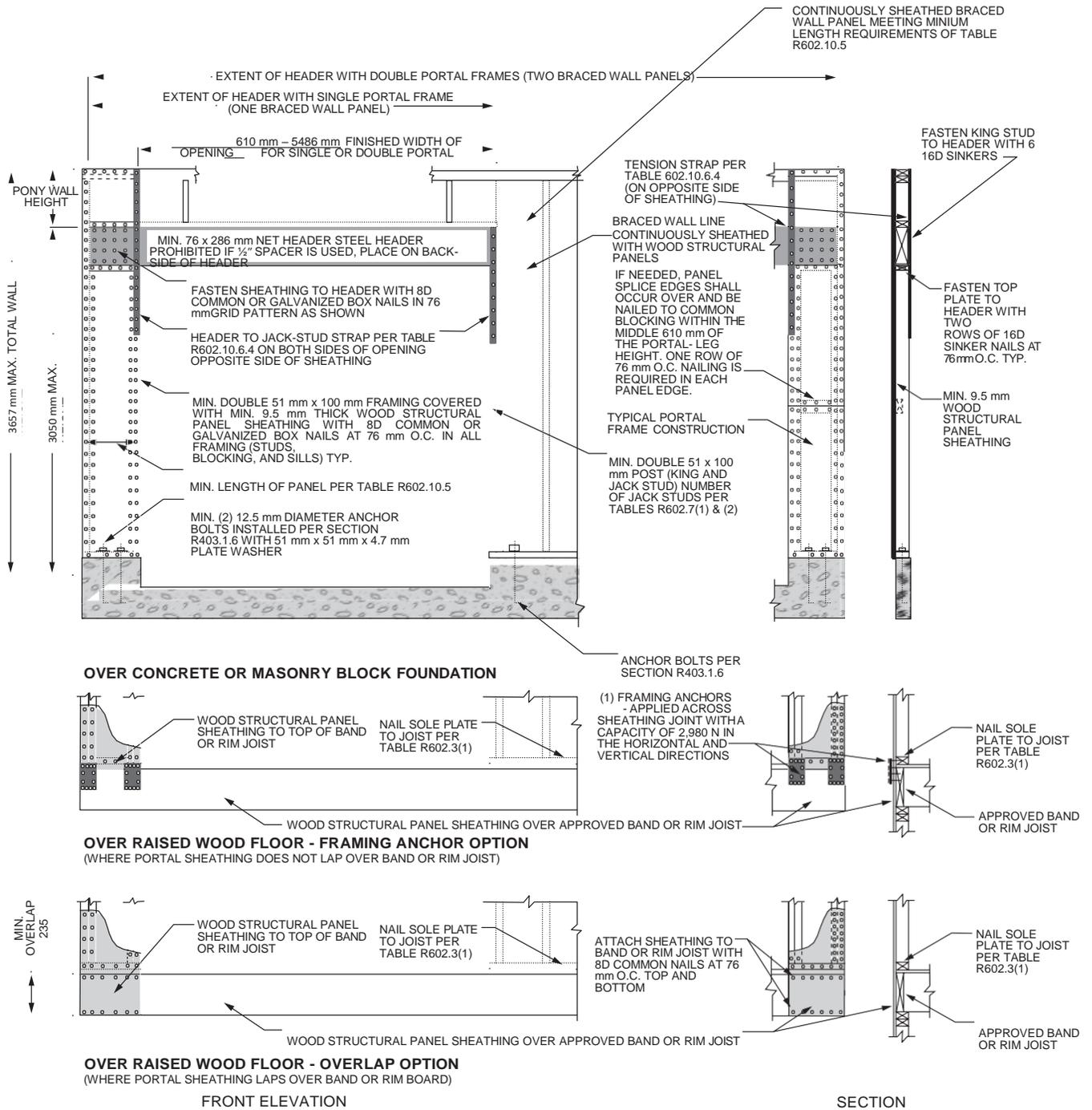
Townhouses in Seismic Design Categories D₀, D₁ and D₂ with stone or masonry veneer exceeding the first-story height shall be designed in accordance with accepted engineering practice.



For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot.

FIGURE R602.10.6.3
METHOD PFG—PORTAL FRAME AT GARAGE DOOR OPENINGS IN SEISMIC DESIGN CATEGORIES A, B AND C

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For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot.

FIGURE R602.10.6.4
METHOD CS-PF—CONTINUOUSLY SHEATHED PORTAL FRAME PANEL CONSTRUCTION

**TABLE R602.10.6.4
TENSION STRAP CAPACITY FOR RESISTING WIND PRESSURES
PERPENDICULAR TO METHODS PFH, PFG AND CS-PF BRACED WALL PANELS^a**

MINIMUM WALL STUD FRAMING NOMINAL SIZE AND GRADE	MAXIMUM PONY WALL HEIGHT (mm)	MAXIMUM TOTAL WALL HEIGHT (mm)	MAXIMUM OPENING WIDTH (mm)	TENSION STRAP CAPACITY REQUIRED (N) ^a					
				Ultimate Design Wind Speed V_{ult} (m/s)					
				49	51	58	49	51	58
				Exposure B			Exposure C		
2 × 4 No. 2 Grade	0	3050	5486	4448	4448	4448	4448	4448	4670
			2743	4448	4448	4448	4448	7784	
			4876	4448	4559	4670	9230	11120	17570
	305	3050	5486	4448	5671	10564	10675	12677	DR
			2743	4448	4448	6561	6672	8340	13900
			4876	7895	9674	15679	15791	18348	DR
	610	3050	5486	9230	11120	17570	17681	DR	DR
			2743	5115	6672	11787	11898	14123	DR
			4876	12788	15012	DR	DR	DR	DR
	610	3657	5486	15235	17681	DR	DR	DR	DR
			2743	10119	12232	DR	DR	DR	DR
			4876	12788	15012	DR	DR	DR	DR
1219	3657	5486	15235	17681	DR	DR	DR	DR	
		2743	10119	12232	DR	DR	DR	DR	
		3657	14345	16792	DR	DR	DR	DR	
2 × 6 Stud Grade	610	3657	2743	4448	4448	7561	7561	9007	13567
			4876	8118	9563	14345	14345	16347	DR
			5486	9786	11342	16569	16680	DR	DR
	1219	3657	27743	6449	7784	12010	12121	13900	DR
			4876	9118	10675	DR	DR	DR	DR
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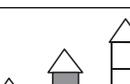
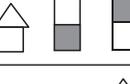
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DR = Design Required.

a. Straps shall be installed in accordance with manufacturer’s recommendations.

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**TABLE R602.10.6.5
METHOD BV-WSP WALL BRACING REQUIREMENTS**

SEISMIC DESIGN CATEGORY	STORY	BRACED WALL LINE LENGTH (mm)					SINGLE-STORY HOLD-DOWN FORCE (N) ^a	CUMULATIVE HOLD-DOWN FORCE (N) ^b
		3050	6096	9144	12192	15240		
		Minimum Total Length (mm) of Braced Wall Panels Required Along each Braced Wall Line						
D ₀		1219	2133	3200	4267	5334	NA	—
		1219	2133	3200	4267	5334	8451	—
		1371	2743	4114	6486	6858	15568	24020
		1828	3657	6486	7315	9144	15568	39589
D ₁		1371	2743	4114	6486	6858	9341	—
		1371	2743	4114	6486	6858	16458	25799
		1828	3657	5486	7315	9144	16458	42258
D ₂		1676	3352	5029	6705	8382	10230	—
		1676	3352	5029	6705	8382	17348	27578
		NP	NP	NP	NP	NP	NA	NA

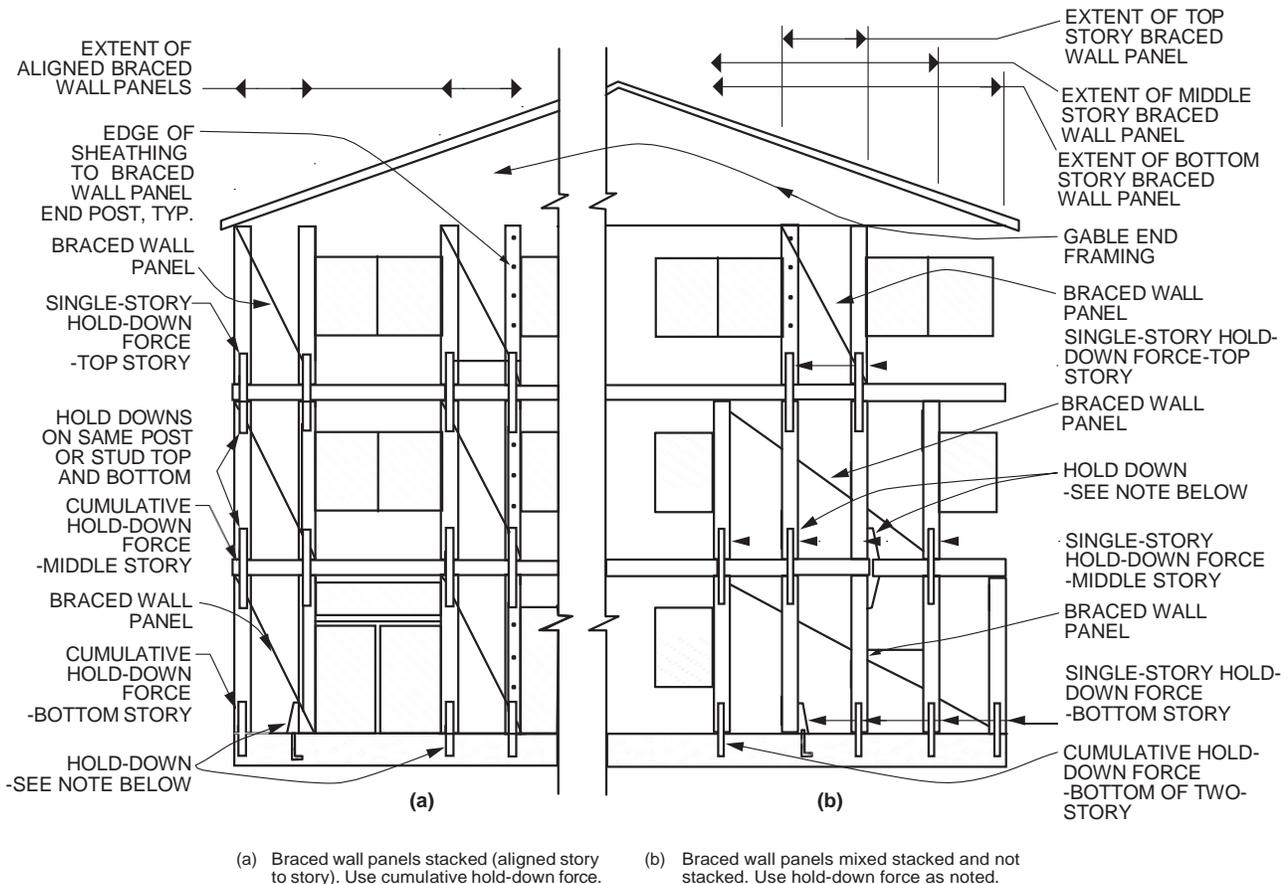
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NP = Not Permitted.

NA = Not Applicable.

- a. Hold-down force is minimum allowable stress design load for connector providing uplift tie from wall framing at end of braced wall panel at the noted story to wall framing at end of braced wall panel at the story below, or to foundation or foundation wall. Use single-story hold-down force where edges of braced wall panels do not align; a continuous load path to the foundation shall be maintained.
- b. Where hold-down connectors from stories above align with stories below, use cumulative hold-down force to size middle- and bottom-story hold-down connectors.

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Note: Hold downs should be strap ties, tension ties, or other approved hold-down devices and shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

FIGURE R602.10.6.5
METHOD BV-WSP—WALL BRACING FOR DWELLINGS WITH STONE AND MASONRY VENEER IN SEISMIC DESIGN CATEGORIES D₀, D₁ and D₂

R602.10.6.5.1 Length of bracing. The length of bracing along each *braced wall line* shall be the greater of that required by the ultimate design wind speed and *braced wall line* spacing in accordance with Table R602.10.3(1) as adjusted by the factors in Table R602.10.3(2) or the seismic design category and *braced wall line* length in accordance with Table R602.10.6.5. Angled walls shall be permitted to be counted in accordance with Section R602.10.1.4, and *braced wall panel* location shall be in accordance with Section R602.10.2.2. Spacing between *braced wall lines* shall be in accordance with Table R602.10.1.3. The seismic adjustment factors in Table R602.10.3(4) shall not be applied to the length of bracing determined using Table R602.10.6.5, except that the bracing amount increase for *braced wall line* spacing greater than 7,620 mm (25 feet) in accordance with Table R602.10.1.3 shall be required. The minimum total length of bracing in a *braced wall line*, after all adjustments have been taken, shall be not less than 1,220 mm (48 inches) total.

R602.10.7 Ends of braced wall lines with continuous sheathing. Each end of a *braced wall line* with continuous sheathing shall have one of the conditions shown in Figure R602.10.7.

R602.10.8 Braced wall panel connections. *Braced wall panels* shall be connected to floor framing or foundations as follows:

1. Where joists are perpendicular to a *braced wall panel* above or below, a rim joist, band joist or blocking shall be provided along the entire length of the *braced wall panel* in accordance with Figure R602.10.8(1). Fastening of top and bottom wall plates to framing, rim joist, band joist or blocking shall be in accordance with Table R602.3(1).
2. Where joists are parallel to a *braced wall panel* above or below, a rim joist, end joist or other parallel framing member shall be provided directly above and below the *braced wall panel* in accordance with Figure R602.10.8(2). Where a parallel framing member cannot be located directly above and below

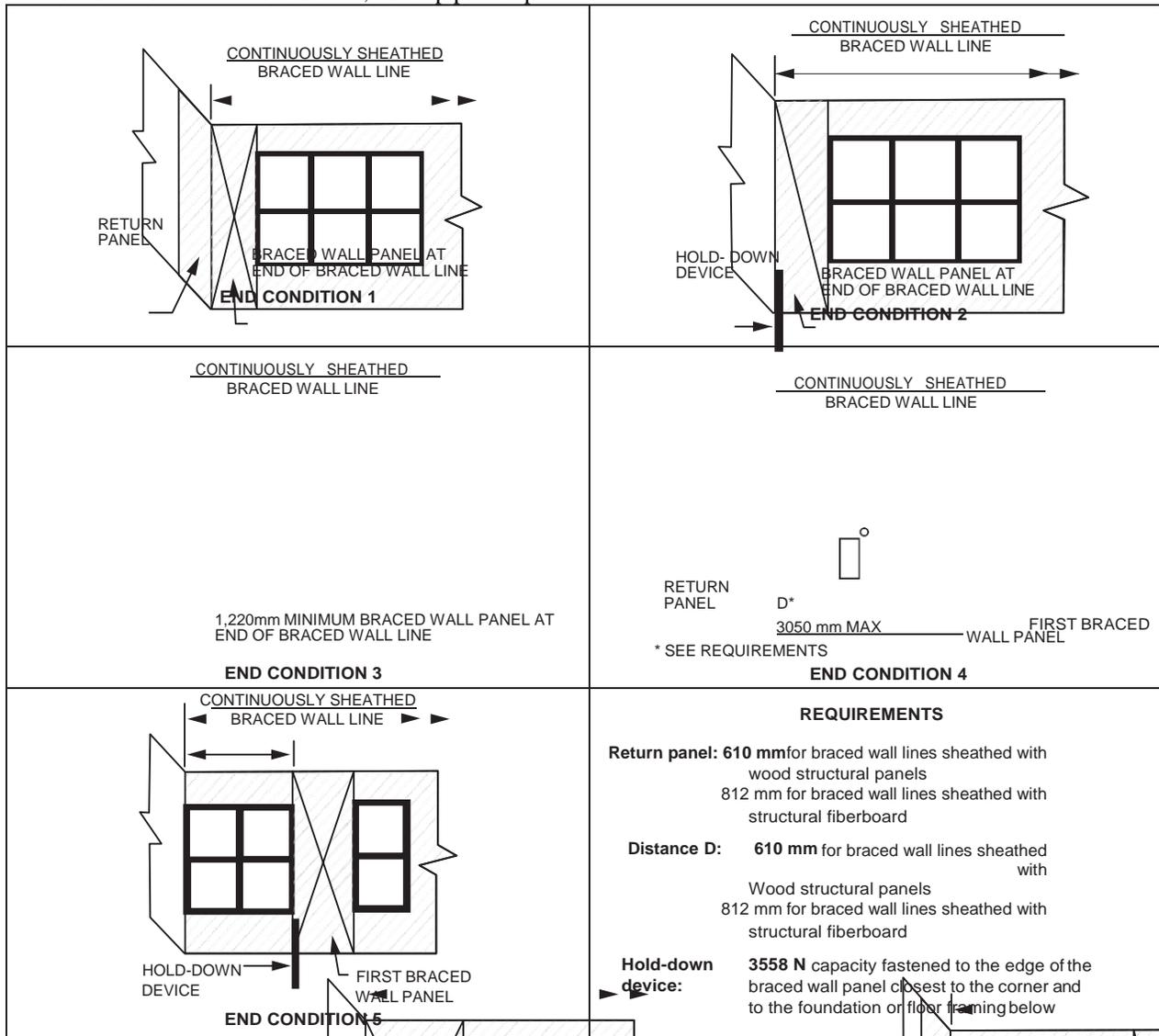
the panel, full-depth blocking at 405 mm (16-inch) spacing shall be provided between the parallel framing members to each side of the *braced wall panel* in accordance with Figure R602.10.8(2). Fastening of blocking and wall plates shall be in accordance with Table R602.3(1) and Figure R602.10.8(2).

- Connections of *braced wall panels* to concrete or masonry shall be in accordance with Section R403.1.6.

R602.10.8.1 Braced wall panel connections for Seismic Design Categories D₀, D₁ and D₂. *Braced wall panels* shall be fastened to required foundations in accordance with Section R602.11.1, and top plate lap

splices shall be face-nailed with not less than eight 16d nails on each side of the splice.

R602.10.8.2 Connections to roof framing. Top plates of exterior *braced wall panels* shall be attached to rafters or roof trusses above in accordance with Table R602.3(1) and this section. Where required by this section, blocking between rafters or roof trusses shall be attached to top plates of *braced wall panels* and to rafters and roof trusses in accordance with Table R602.3(1). A continuous band, rim or header joist or roof truss parallel to the *braced wall panels* shall be permitted to replace the blocking required by this section. Blocking shall not be required over openings in continuously sheathed *braced wall lines*. In addition to



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FIGURE R602-10.7
END CONDITIONS FOR BRACED WALL LINES WITH CONTINUOUS SHEATHING

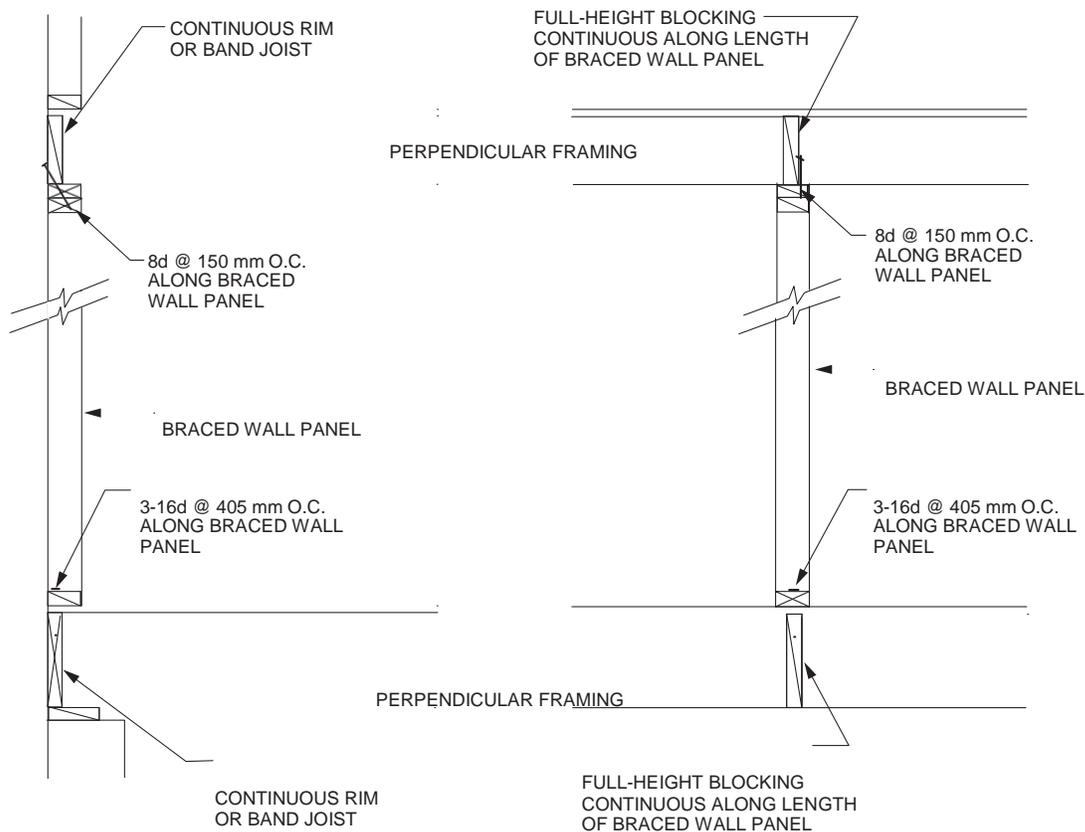
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the requirements of this section, lateral support shall be provided for rafters and ceiling joists in accordance with Section R802.8 and for trusses in accordance with Section R802.10.3. Roof ventilation shall be provided in accordance with Section R806.1.

1. For Seismic Design Categories A, B and C where the distance from the top of the braced wall panel to the top of the rafters or roof trusses above is 235 mm (9¹/₄ inches) or less, blocking between rafters or roof trusses shall not be required. Where the distance from the top of the braced wall panel to the top of the rafters or roof trusses above is between 235 mm (9¹/₄ inches) and 387 mm (15¹/₄ inches), blocking between rafters or roof trusses shall be provided above the braced wall panel in accordance with Figure R602.10.8.2(1).

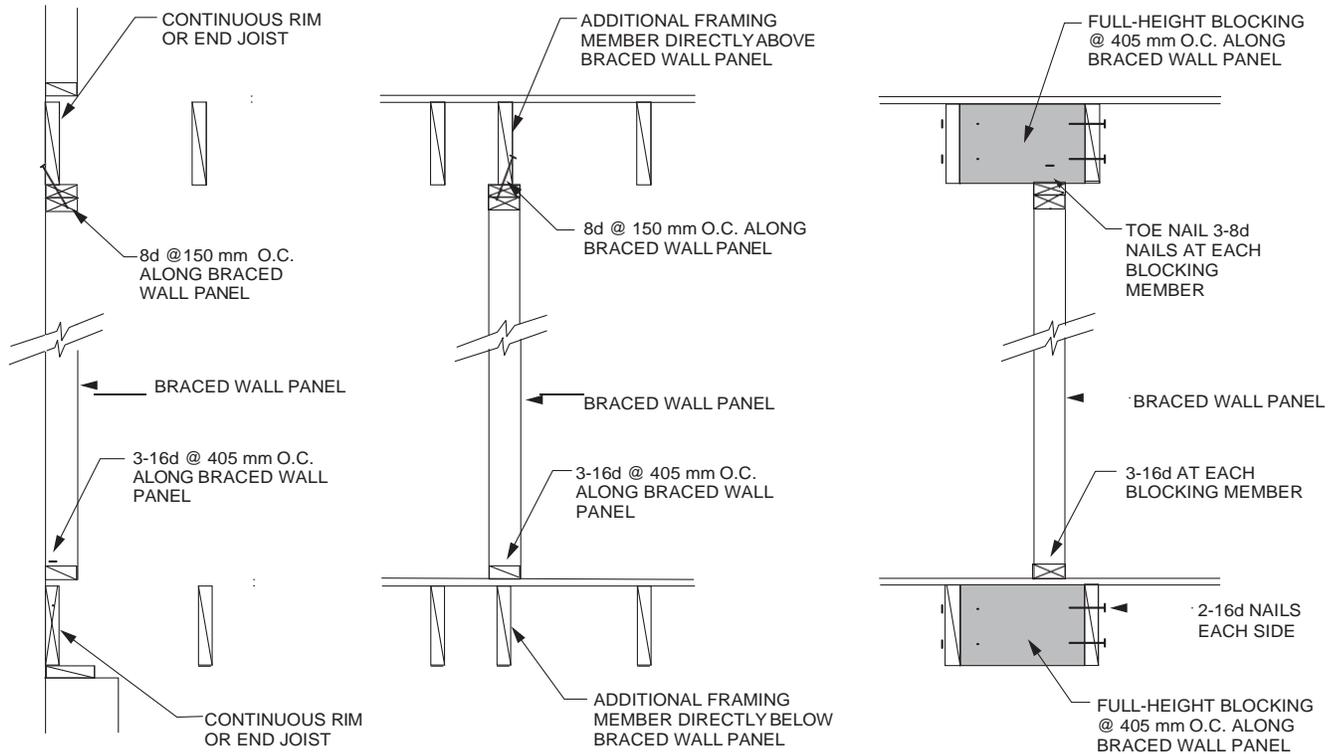
Exception: Where the outside edge of truss vertical web members aligns with the outside face of the wall studs below, wood structural panel sheathing extending above the top plate as shown in Figure R602.10.8.2(3) shall be permitted to be fastened to each truss web with three-8d nails 635 mm \odot 3.32 mm (2¹/₂ inches \odot 0.131 inch) and blocking between the trusses shall not be required.

2. For Seismic Design Categories D₀, D₁ and D₂, where the distance from the top of the braced wall panel to the top of the rafters or roof trusses is 387 mm (15¹/₄ inches) or less, blocking between rafters or roof trusses shall be provided above the braced wall panel in accordance with Figure R602.10.8.2(1).
3. Where the distance from the top of the braced wall panel to the top of rafters or roof trusses exceeds 387 mm (15¹/₄ inches), the top plates of the braced wall panel shall be connected to perpendicular rafters or roof trusses above in accordance with one or more of the following methods:
 - 3.1. Soffit blocking panels constructed in accordance with Figure R602.10.8.2(2).
 - 3.2. Vertical blocking panels constructed in accordance with Figure R602.10.8.2(3).
 - 3.3. Blocking panels provided by the roof truss manufacturer and designed in accordance with Section R802.
 - 3.4. Blocking, blocking panels or other methods of lateral load transfer designed in accordance with the AWC WFCM or accepted engineering practice.



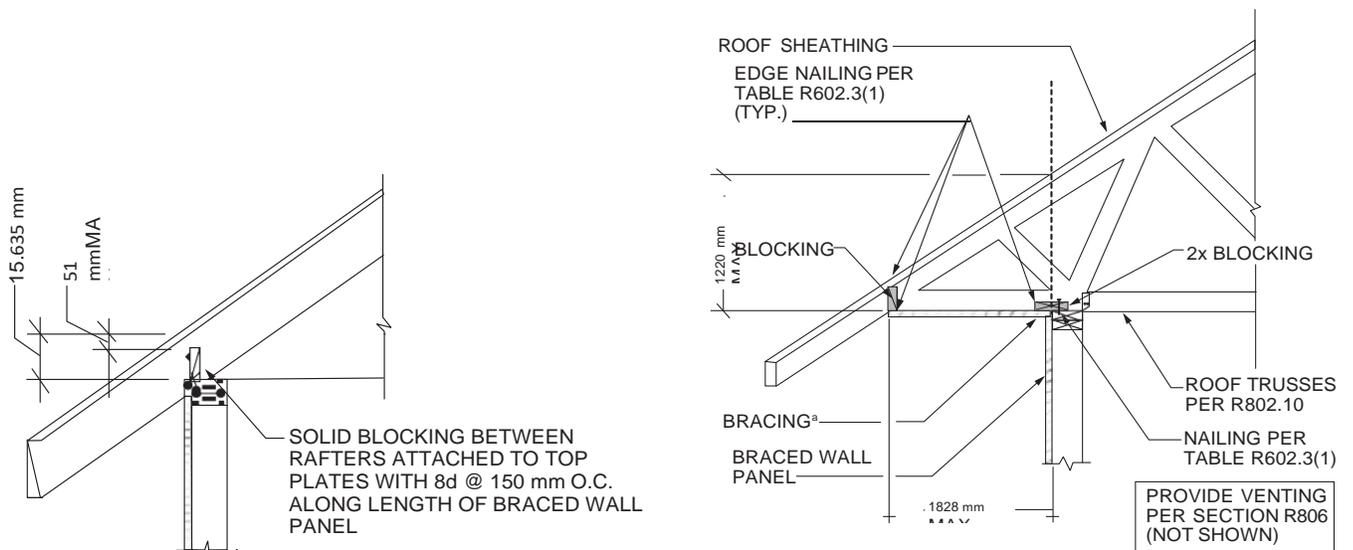
For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch.

FIGURE R602.10.8(1)
BRACED WALL PANEL CONNECTION WHEN PERPENDICULAR TO FLOOR/CEILING FRAMING
 There are no categories A, B or C in Jamaica. SDC starts at Category D₁.



For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch.

FIGURE R602.10.8(2)
BRACED WALL PANEL CONNECTION WHEN PARALLEL TO FLOOR/CEILING FRAMING



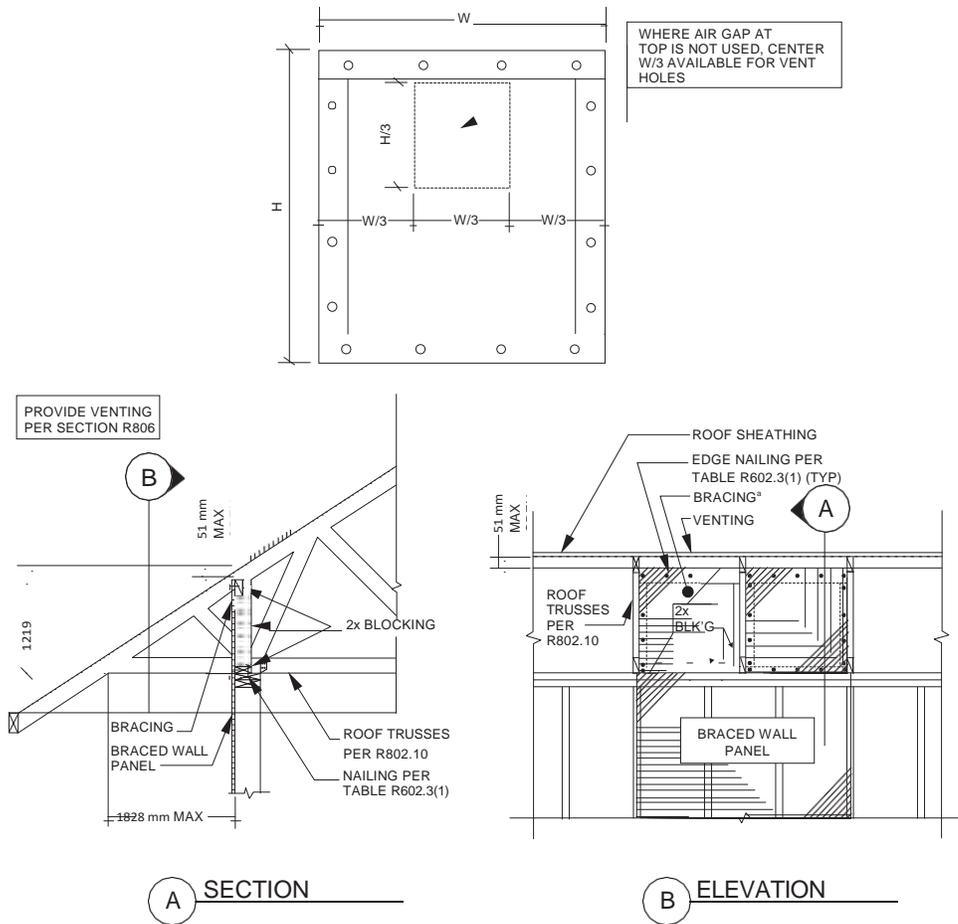
For Inch Pound Units : 1 mm = 0.03937 inch.

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot.
 a. Methods of bracing shall be as described in Section R602.10.4.

FIGURE R602.10.8.2(1)
BRACED WALL PANEL CONNECTION TO PERPENDICULAR RAFTERS

FIGURE R602.10.8.2(2)
BRACED WALL PANEL CONNECTION OPTION TO PERPENDICULAR RAFTERS OR ROOF TRUSSES

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For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot
 a. Methods of bracing shall be as described in Section R602.10.4.

FIGURE R602.10.8.2(3)
BRACED WALL PANEL CONNECTION OPTION TO PERPENDICULAR RAFTERS OR ROOF TRUSSES

R602.10.9 Braced wall panel support. *Braced wall panel support shall be provided as follows:*

1. Cantilevered floor joists complying with Section R502.3.3 shall be permitted to support *braced wall panels*.
2. Raised floor system post or pier foundations supporting *braced wall panels* shall be designed in accordance with accepted engineering practice.
3. Masonry stem walls with a length of 1,220 mm (48 inches) or less supporting *braced wall panels* shall be reinforced in accordance with Figure R602.10.9. Masonry stem walls with a length greater than 1,220 mm (48 inches) supporting *braced wall panels* shall be constructed in accordance with Section R403.1 Methods ABW and PFH shall not be permitted to attach to masonry stem walls.
4. Concrete stem walls with a length of 1,220 mm (48 inches) or less, greater than 305 mm (12 inches) tall and less than 150 mm (6 inches) thick shall have

reinforcement sized and located in accordance with Figure R602.10.9.

R602.10.9.1 Braced wall panel support for Seismic Design Categories D₀, D₁ and D₂. In Seismic Design Categories D₀, D₁ and D₂, braced wall panel footings shall be as specified in Section R403.1.2.

R602.10.10 Cripple wall bracing. Cripple walls shall be constructed in accordance with Section R602.9 and braced in accordance with this section. Cripple walls shall be braced with the length and method of bracing used for the wall above in accordance with Tables R602.10.3(1) and R602.10.3(3), and the applicable adjustment factors in Table R602.10.3(2) or R602.10.3(4), respectively, except that the length of cripple wall bracing shall be multiplied by a factor of 1.15. Where gypsum wall board is not used on the inside of the cripple wall bracing, the length adjustments for the elimination of the gypsum wallboard, or equivalent, shall be applied as directed in Tables R602.10.3(2) and R602.10.3(4) to the length of cripple wall bracing required. This adjustment shall be taken in addition to the 1.15 increase.

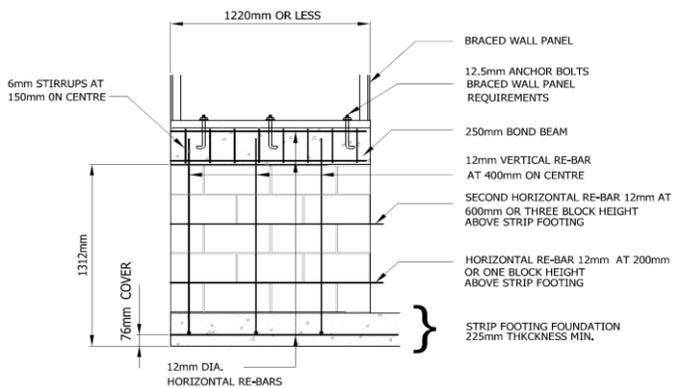
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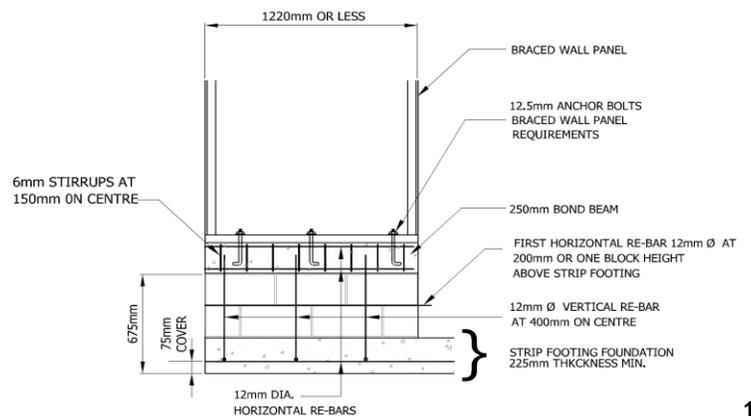
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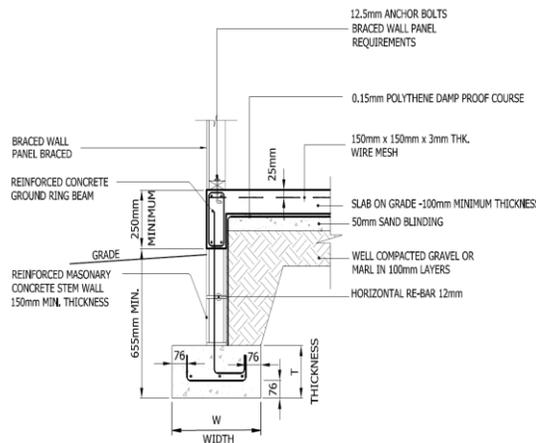
NOTES:

1. ALL STEM WALL MASONRY UNIT (CONCRETE BLOCKS) SHALL BE FILLED WITH CONCRETE THAT REACH A CRUSHING STRENGTH OF 21 MPa (3000 PSI) IN 28 DAYS.
2. IF MASONRY STEM WALL EXTENDS MORE THAN FIVE BLOCK HEIGHTS ABOVE STRIP FOOTING FOUNDATION THEN OTHER HORIZONTAL 12mm Ø RE-BARS WILL BE REQUIRED AT EVERY TWO BLOCK HEIGHT ABOVE THE SECOND HORIZONTAL RE-BAR



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For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch.

FIGURE R602.10.9
MASONRY STEM WALLS SUPPORTING BRACED WALL PANELS
 any cripple wall segment

R602.10.10.1 Cripple wall bracing for Seismic Design Categories D₀ and D₁ and townhouses in Seismic Design Category C. In addition to the requirements in Section R602.10.10, the distance between adjacent edges of *braced wall panels* for cripple walls along a *braced wall line* shall be 4267 mm (14 feet) maximum.

Where *braced wall lines* at interior walls are not supported on a continuous foundation below, the adjacent parallel cripple walls, where provided, shall be braced with Method WSP or Method CS-WSP in accordance with Section R602.10.4. The length of bracing required in accordance with Table R602.10.3(3) for the cripple walls shall be multiplied by 1.5. Where the cripple walls do not have sufficient length to provide the required bracing, the spacing of panel edge fasteners shall be reduced to 100 mm (4 inches) on center and the required bracing length adjusted by 0.7. If the required length can still not be provided, the cripple wall shall be designed in accordance with accepted engineering practice.

R602.10.10.2 Cripple wall bracing for Seismic Design Category D₂. In Seismic Design Category D₂, cripple walls shall be braced in accordance with Tables R602.10.3(3) and R602.10.3(4).

R602.10.10.3 Redesignation of cripple walls. Where all cripple wall segments along a *braced wall line* do not exceed 1,220 mm (48 inches) in height, the cripple walls shall be permitted to be redesignated as a first-story wall for purposes of determining wall bracing requirements. Where

in a *braced wall line* exceeds 1,220 mm (48 inches) in height, the entire cripple wall shall be counted as an additional *story*. If the cripple walls are redesignated, the stories above the redesignated *story* shall be counted as the second and third stories, respectively.

R602.11 Wall anchorage. *Braced wall line* sills shall be anchored to concrete or masonry foundations in accordance with Sections R403.1.6 and R602.11.1.

R602.11.1 Wall anchorage for all buildings in Seismic Design Categories D₀, D₁ and D₂ and townhouses in Seismic Design Category C. Plate washers, not less than 5.8 mm by 76 mm (0.229 inch by 3 inches by 3 inches in size, shall be provided between the foundation sill plate and the nut except where *approved* anchor straps are used. The hole in the plate washer is permitted to be diagonally slotted with a width of up to 4.75 mm (³/₁₆ inch) larger than the bolt diameter and a slot length not to exceed 44 mm (1³/₄ inches), provided a standard cut washer is placed between the plate washer and the nut.

R602.11.2 Stepped foundations in Seismic Design Categories D₀, D₁ and D₂. In all buildings located in Seismic Design Categories D₀, D₁ or D₂, where the height of a required *braced wall line* that extends from foundation to floor above varies more than 1,220 mm (4 feet), the *braced wall line* shall be constructed in accordance with the following:

1. Where the lowest floor framing rests directly on a sill bolted to a foundation not less than 2,450 mm (8 feet) in length along a line of bracing, the line shall be considered as braced. The double plate of the cripple stud wall beyond the segment of footing that extends to the lowest framed floor shall be spliced by extending the upper top plate not less than 1,220 mm (4 feet) along the foundation. Anchor bolts shall

be located not more than 305 mm and 915 mm (1 foot and 3 feet) from the step in the foundation. See Figure R602.11.2.

2. Where cripple walls occur between the top of the foundation and the lowest floor framing, the bracing requirements of Sections R602.10.10, R602.10.10.1 and R602.10.10.2 shall apply.
3. Where only the bottom of the foundation is stepped and the lowest floor framing rests directly on a sill bolted to the foundations, the requirements of Sections R403.1.6 and R602.11.1 shall apply.

R602.12 Simplified wall bracing. Buildings meeting all of the following conditions shall be permitted to be braced in accordance with this section as an alternative to the requirements of Section R602.10. The entire building shall be braced

in accordance with this section; the use of other bracing provisions of Section R602.10, except as specified herein, shall not be permitted.

1. There shall be not more than three stories above the top of a concrete or masonry foundation or basement wall. Permanent wood foundations shall not be permitted.
2. Floors shall not cantilever more than 610 mm (24 inches) beyond the foundation or bearing wall below.
3. Wall height shall not be greater than 3,050 mm (10 feet).
4. The building shall have a roof eave-to-ridge height of 4,572 mm (15 feet) or less.
5. Exterior walls shall have gypsum board with a minimum thickness of 12.5 mm (1/2 inch) installed on the interior side fastened in accordance with Table R702.3.5.

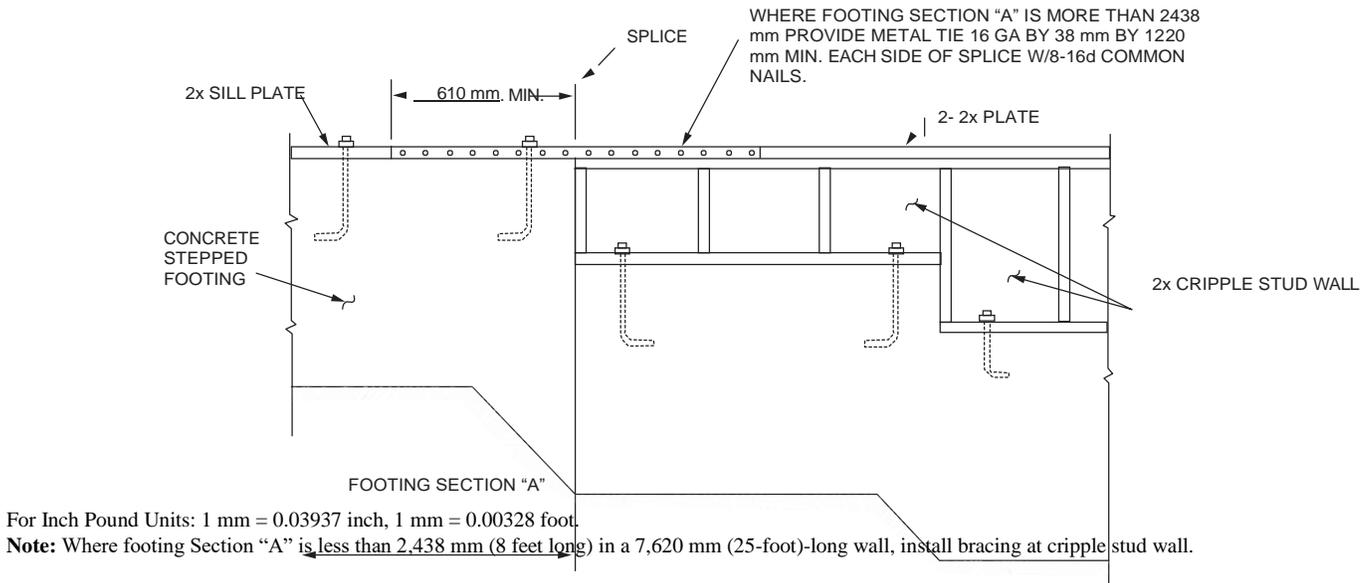


FIGURE R602.11.2
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6. The structure shall be located where the ultimate design wind speed is less than or equal to 58 m/s (130 mph), and the exposure category is B or C.
7. The structure shall be located in Seismic Design Category A, B or C for detached one- and two-family dwellings or Seismic Design Category A or B for townhouses.
8. Cripple walls shall not be permitted in three-story buildings.

R602.12.1 Circumscribed rectangle. The bracing required for each building shall be determined by circumscribing a rectangle around the entire building on each floor as shown in Figure R602.12.1. The rectangle shall surround all enclosed offsets and projections such as sunrooms and attached garages. Open structures, such as carports and decks, shall be permitted to be excluded. The rectangle shall not have a side greater than 18,300 mm (60 feet), and the ratio between the long side and short side shall be not greater than 3:1.

R602.12.2 Sheathing materials. The following sheathing materials installed on the exterior side of exterior walls shall be used to construct a bracing unit as defined in Section R602.12.3. Mixing materials is prohibited.

1. Wood structural panels with a minimum thickness of 9.55 mm ($3/8$ inch) fastened in accordance with Table R602.3(3).
2. Structural fiberboard sheathing with a minimum thickness of 12.5 mm ($1/2$ inch) fastened in accordance with Table R602.3(1).

R602.12.3 Bracing unit. A bracing unit shall be a full-height sheathed segment of the exterior wall without open-

ings or vertical or horizontal offsets and a minimum length as specified herein. Interior walls shall not contribute toward the amount of required bracing. Mixing of Items 1 and 2 is prohibited on the same story.

1. Where all framed portions of all exterior walls are sheathed in accordance with Section R602.12.2, including wall areas between bracing units, above and below openings and on gable end walls, the minimum length of a bracing unit shall be 915 mm (3 feet).
2. Where the exterior walls are braced with sheathing panels in accordance with Section R602.12.2 and areas between bracing units are covered with other materials, the minimum length of a bracing unit shall be 1,220 mm (4 feet).

R602.12.3.1 Multiple bracing units. Segments of wall compliant with Section R602.12.3 and longer than the minimum bracing unit length shall be considered as multiple bracing units. The number of bracing units shall be determined by dividing the wall segment length by the minimum bracing unit length. Full-height sheathed segments of wall narrower than the minimum bracing unit length shall not contribute toward a bracing unit except as specified in Section R602.12.6.

R602.12.4 Number of bracing units. Each side of the circumscribed rectangle, as shown in Figure R602.12.1, shall have, at a minimum, the number of bracing units in accordance with Table R602.12.4 placed on the parallel exterior walls facing the side of the rectangle. Bracing units shall then be placed using the distribution requirements specified in Section R602.12.5.

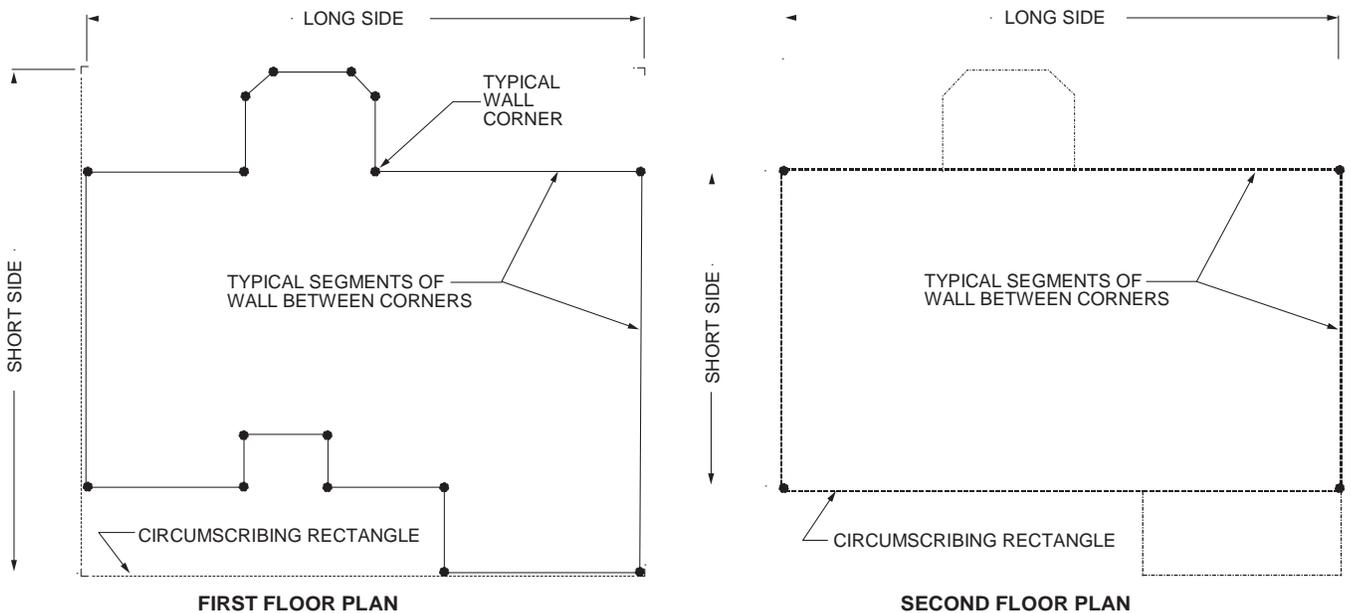


FIGURE R602.12.1
RECTANGLE CIRCUMSCRIBING AN ENCLOSED BUILDING

TABLE R602.12.4
MINIMUM NUMBER OF BRACING UNITS ON EACH SIDE OF THE CIRCUMSCRIBED RECTANGLE

ULTIMATE DESIGN WIND SPEED (m/s)	STORY LEVEL	EAVE-TO-RIDGE HEIGHT (mm)	MINIMUM NUMBER OF BRACING UNITS ON EACH LONG SIDE ^{a, b, d}						MINIMUM NUMBER OF BRACING UNITS ON EACH SHORT SIDE ^{a, b, d}					
			Length of short side (mm) ^c						Length of long side (mm) ^c					
			3,050	6,100	9,150	12,200	15,240	18,300	3,050	6,100	9,150	12,200	15,240	18,300
51		3050	1	2	2	2	3	3	1	2	2	2	3	3
			2	3	3	4	5	6	2	3	3	4	5	6
			2	3	4	6	7	8	2	3	4	6	7	8
		4572	1	2	3	3	4	4	1	2	3	3	4	4
			2	3	4	5	6	7	2	3	4	5	6	7
			2	4	5	6	7	9	2	4	5	6	7	9
58		3050	1	2	2	3	3	4	1	2	2	3	3	4
			2	3	4	5	6	7	2	3	4	5	6	7
			2	4	5	7	8	10	2	4	5	7	8	10
		4572	2	3	3	4	4	6	2	3	3	4	4	6
			3	4	6	7	8	10	3	4	6	7	8	10
			3	6	7	10	11	13	3	6	7	10	11	13

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 m/s = 2.2 mile per hour.

- a. Interpolation shall not be permitted.
- b. Cripple walls or wood-framed basement walls in a walk-out condition shall be designated as the first story and the stories above shall be redesignated as the second and third stories, respectively, and shall be prohibited in a three-story structure.
- c. Actual lengths of the sides of the circumscribed rectangle shall be rounded to the next highest unit of 10 when using this table.
- d. For Exposure Category C, multiply bracing units by a factor of 1.20 for a one-story building, 1.30 for a two-story building and 1.40 for a three-story building.

2. The distance between adjacent edges of bracing units shall be not greater than 6,100 mm (20 feet) .

3. Segments of wall greater than 2438 mm (8 feet) in length shall have not less than one bracing unit.

R602.12.5 Distribution of bracing units. The placement of bracing units on exterior walls shall meet all of the following requirements as shown in Figure R602.12.5.

- 1. A bracing unit shall begin not more than 3,660 mm (12 feet) from any wall corner.

R602.12.6 Narrow panels. The bracing methods referenced in Section R602.10 and specified in Sections R602.12.6.1 through R602.12.6.3 shall be permitted

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where using simplified wall bracing.

R602.12.6.1 Method CS-G. *Braced wall panels* constructed as Method CS-G in accordance with Tables R602.10.4 and R602.10.5 shall be permitted for one-story garages where all framed portions of all exterior walls are sheathed with wood structural panels. Each CS-G panel shall be equivalent to 0.5 of a bracing unit. Segments of wall that include a Method CS-G panel shall meet the requirements of Section R602.10.4.2.

R602.12.6.2 Method CS-PF. Braced wall panels con-

structed as Method CS-PF in accordance with Section R602.10.6.4 shall be permitted where all framed portions of all exterior walls are sheathed with wood structural panels. Each CS-PF panel shall equal 0.75 bracing units. Not more than four CS-PF panels shall be permitted on all segments of walls parallel to each side of the circumscribed rectangle. Segments of wall that include a Method CS-PF panel shall meet the requirements of Section R602.10.4.2.

R602.12.6.3 Methods ABW, PFH and PFG. Braced wall panels constructed as Method ABW, PFH and PFG shall be permitted where bracing units are constructed using wood structural panels applied either continuously or intermittently. Each ABW and PFH panel shall equal one bracing unit and each PFG panel shall be equal to 0.75 bracing unit.

R602.12.7 Lateral support. For bracing units located along the eaves, the vertical distance from the outside edge of the top wall plate to the roof sheathing above shall not exceed 235 mm (9.25 inches) at the location of a bracing

unit unless lateral support is provided in accordance with Section R602.10.8.2.

R602.12.8 Stem walls. Masonry stem walls with a height and length of 1,220 mm (48 inches) or less supporting a bracing unit or a Method CS-G, CS-PF or PFG *braced wall panel* shall be constructed in accordance with Figure R602.10.9. Concrete stem walls with a length of 1,220 mm (48 inches) or less, greater than 305 mm (12 inches) tall and less than 150 mm (6 inches) thick shall be reinforced sized and located in accordance with Figure R602.10.9.

**SECTION R603
COLD-FORMED STEEL WALL FRAMING**

R603.1 General. Elements shall be straight and free of any defects that would significantly affect structural performance. Cold-formed steel wall framing members shall be in accordance with the requirements of this section.

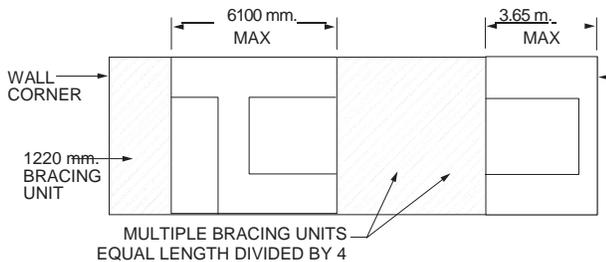
R603.1.1 Applicability limits. The provisions of this section shall control the construction of cold-formed steel wall framing for interior nonload-bearing wall framing for buildings not more than 18,300 mm (60 feet) long perpendicular to the joist or truss span, not more than 12,200 mm (40 feet) wide parallel to the joist or truss span. Interior walls installed in accordance with the provisions of this section shall be considered as nonload-bearing walls. Cold-formed steel internal walls constructed in accordance with the provisions of this section shall be limited only to the ultimate design wind speed of Table R603.1.1 which is based on the likely wind exposure an internal partition wall will encounter in the event of the building partially or wholly losing its roof or windows or doors. The premise shall be the more likely the partition wall exposure to high winds the higher its wind resistance capability should be.

**TABLE R603.1.1
MINIMUM WITHSTAND ULTIMATE DESIGN
WINDSPEED FOR INTERNAL WALL PARTITIONS**

BUILDING ATTRIBUTES	MINIMUM WITHSTAND ULTIMATE DESIGN WIND SPEED
1. Roof, walls, windows and doors designed to withstand 70 m/s (155 mph). For example, concrete roof, reinforced concrete or concrete block walls, windows with metal frame and 8 mm (5/16 inch) laminated impact resistant glass and hurricane metal shutters and doors of solid hardwood or metal.	51.75 m/s (115 mph)
2. Roof, walls & doors designed to withstand 70 m/s (155 mph) and windows able to withstand 63 m/s (140 mph) with non-metallic shutters. For example, metal shingle roof, reinforced concrete or block walls, windows with metal frame and 6.35 mm (1/4 inch) tempered glass & non-metallic hurricane shutters & doors of solid hardwood or metal.	58.5 m/s (130 mph)
3. Roof and walls designed to withstand 70	63 m/s (140 mph)

<p>m/s (155 mph), windows and doors able to withstand 65.25 m/s (145 mph) with non-metal shutters. For example, metal shingle roof, windows with metal frame and 6.35 mm (1/4 inch) tempered glass & non-metallic hurricane shutters & doors of solid hardwood or metal and 8 mm (5/16 inch) laminated glass.</p>	
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R603.1.2 In-line framing. Load-bearing cold-formed steel studs constructed in accordance with Section R603



BRACING WITH AREAS BETWEEN COVERED WITH OTHER MATERIALS

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.00328 foot.

- Where the centerline of the horizontal framing member and bearing stiffener is located to one side of the centerline of the vertical framing member, the maximum tolerance shall be 3.75 mm (1/8 inch) between the web of the horizontal framing member and the edge of the vertical framing member.

R603.2 Structural framing. Internal nonload-bearing cold-formed steel partition wall framing members for buildings with attributable factors 2 & 3 in Table R603.1.1 shall be in accordance with this section.

R603.2.1 Material. Internal nonload-bearing cold-formed steel framing members shall be cold formed to shape from structural-quality sheet steel complying with the requirements of ASTM A1003: Structural Grades 33 Type H and 50 Type H.

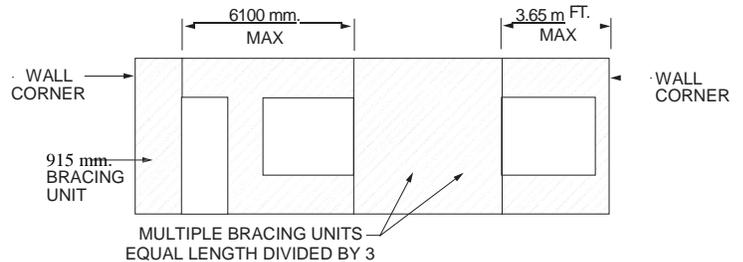
R603.2.2 Corrosion protection. Internal nonLoad-bearing cold-formed steel framing members shall have a metallic coating complying with ASTM A1003 and one of the following:

- Not less than G 60 in accordance with ASTM A653.
- Not less than AZ 50 in accordance with ASTM A792.

R603.2.3 Dimension, thickness and material grade. Internal nonload-bearing cold-formed steel partition wall framing members shall comply with Figure R603.2.3(1) and with the dimensional and thickness requirements specified in Table R603.2.3. Additionally, C-shaped sections shall have a minimum flange width of 41 mm (1 5/8 inches) and a maximum flange width of 51 mm (2 inches). The minimum lip size for C-shaped sections shall be 12.5 mm (1/2 inch).

shall be located in-line with joists, trusses and rafters in accordance with Figure R603.1.2 and the tolerances specified as follows:

- The maximum tolerance shall be 19 mm (3/4 inch) between the centerline of the horizontal framing member and the centerline of the vertical framing member.



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FIGURER602.12.5 BRACING UNIT DISTRIBUTION

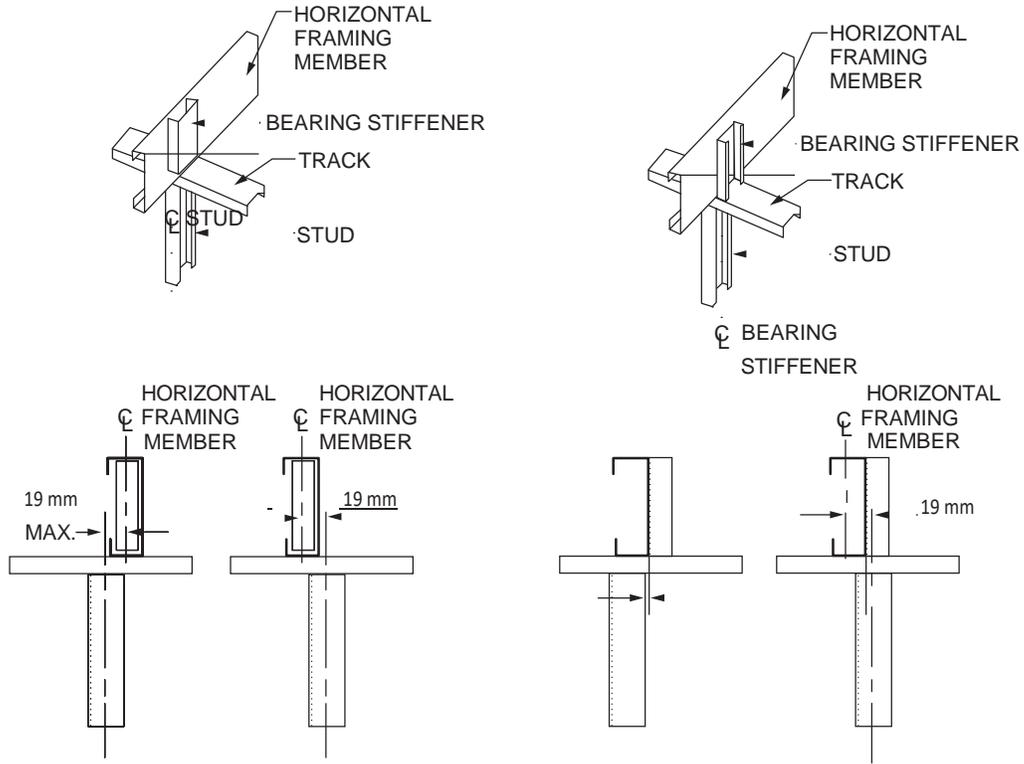
Track sections shall comply with Figure R603.2.3(2) and shall have a minimum flange width of 32 mm (1 1/4 inches). Minimum Grade 227.5 MPa (33 ksi) steel shall be used wherever 0.838 mm and 1.092 mm (33 mil and 43 mil) thicknesses are specified. Minimum Grade 344.75 MPa (50 ksi) steel shall be used wherever 1.372 and 1.727 mm (54 and 68 mil) thicknesses are specified.

R603.2.4 Identification. Internal nonload-bearing cold-formed steel framing members for buildings with attributable factors 2 & 3 in Table R603.1.1 shall have a legible label, stencil, stamp or embossment with the following information as a minimum:

- Manufacturer's identification.
- Minimum base steel thickness in millimetres (inches).
- Minimum coating designation.
- Minimum yield strength, in Mega-Pascals {kips per square inch (ksi)}.

R603.2.5 Fastening. Screws for steel-to-steel connections shall be installed with a minimum edge distance and center-to-center spacing of 12.5 mm (1/2 inch), shall be self-drilling tapping and shall conform to ASTM C1513. Structural sheathing shall be attached to cold-formed steel studs with minimum No. 8 self-drilling tapping screws that conform to ASTM C1513. Screws for attaching structural sheathing to cold-formed steel wall framing shall have a minimum head diameter of 7.4 mm (0.292 inch) with countersunk heads and shall be installed with a minimum

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FIGURE R603.1.2 IN-LINE FRAMING

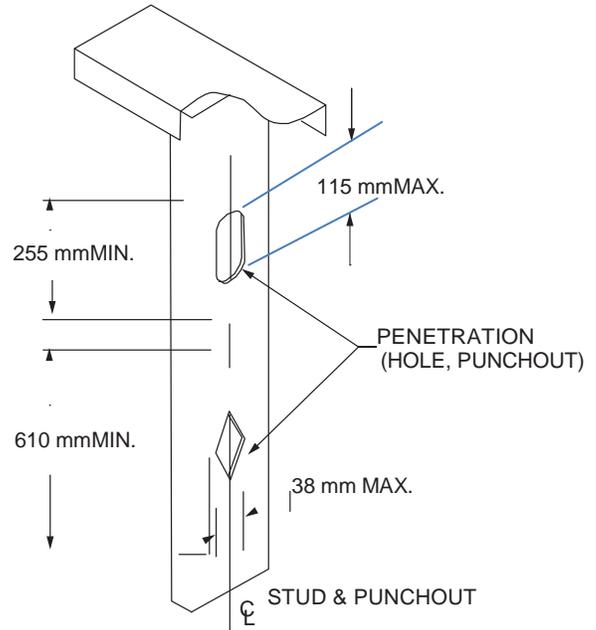
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edge distance of 9.5 mm (³/₈ inch). Gypsum board shall be attached to cold-formed steel wall framing with minimum No. 6 screws conforming to ASTM C954 or ASTM C1513 with a bugle-head style and shall be installed in accordance with Section R702. For connections, screws shall extend through the steel not fewer than three exposed threads. Fasteners shall have rust-inhibitive coating suitable for the installation in which they are being used, or be manufactured from material not susceptible to corrosion.

R603.2.6 Web holes, web hole reinforcing and web hole patching. Web holes, web hole reinforcing and web hole patching shall be in accordance with this section.

R603.2.6.1 Web holes. Web holes in wall studs and other structural members shall comply with all of the following conditions:

1. Holes shall conform to Figure R603.2.6.1.
2. Holes shall be permitted only along the centerline of the web of the framing member.
3. Holes shall have a center-to-center spacing of not less than 610 mm (24 inches).
4. Holes shall have a web hole width not greater than 0.5 times the member depth, or 38 mm (1½ inches).
5. Holes shall have a web hole length not exceeding 114 mm (4½ inches).



For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch.

FIGURE R603.2.6.1 WALL STUD WEB HOLES

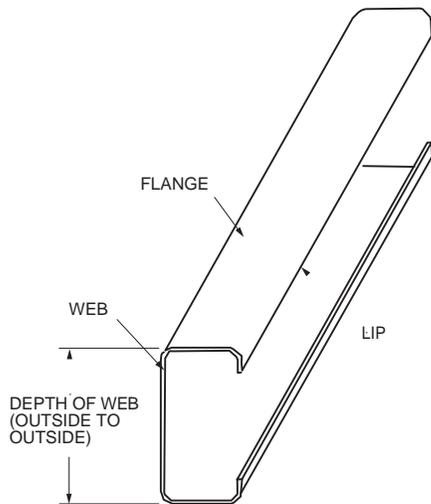


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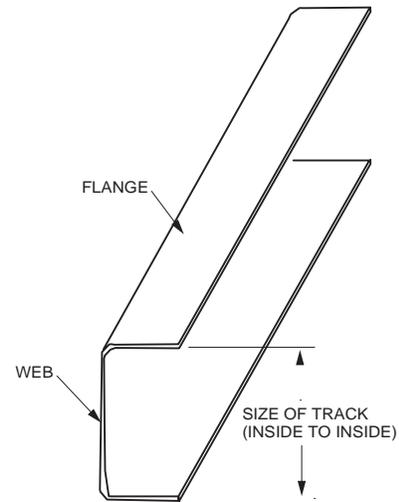


FIGURE R603.2.3(2) TRACK SECTION

TABLE R603.2.3 LOAD-BEARING COLD-FORMED STEEL STUD SIZES AND THICKNESSES

MEMBER DESIGNATION ^a	WEB DEPTH (mm)	MINIMUM BASE STEEL THICKNESS mil (mm)
350S162-t	89	33 (0.835), 43 (1.087), 54 (1.36)
550S162-t	140	33 (0.835), 43 (1.087), 54 (1.36), 68 (1.71)

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch; 1 mil = 39.37 mil.

a. The member designation is defined by the first number representing the member depth in millimetres (hundredths of an inch), “S” representing a stud or joist

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member, the second number representing the flange width in millimetres (hundredths of an inch), and the letter “t” shall be a number representing the minimum base metal thickness in millimetres (mils).

6. Holes shall have a minimum distance between the edge of the bearing surface and the edge of the web hole of not less than 255 mm (10 inches).

Framing members with web holes not conforming to the above requirements shall be reinforced in accordance with Section R603.2.6.2, patched in accordance with Section R603.2.6.3 or designed in accordance with accepted engineering practice.

R603.2.6.2 Web hole reinforcing. Web holes in gable endwall studs not conforming to the requirements of Section R603.2.6.1 shall be permitted to be reinforced if the hole is located fully within the center 40 percent of the span and the depth and length of the hole does not exceed 65 percent of the flat width of the web. The reinforcing shall be a steel plate or C-shaped section with a hole that does not exceed the web hole size limitations of Section R603.2.6.1 for the member being reinforced. The steel reinforcing shall be the same thickness as the receiving member and shall extend not less than 25 mm (1 inch) beyond all edges of the hole. The steel reinforcing shall be fastened to the web of the receiving member with No. 8 screws spaced not more than 25 mm (1 inch) center-to-center along the edges of the patch with minimum edge distance of 12.5 mm (1/2 inch).

R603.2.6.3 Hole patching. Web holes in wall studs and other structural members not conforming to the requirements in Section R603.2.6.1 shall be permitted to be patched in accordance with either of the following methods:

1. Framing members shall be replaced or designed in accordance with accepted engineering practice where web holes exceed the following size limits:
 - 1.1. The depth of the hole, measured across the web, exceeds 70 percent of the flat width of the web.
 - 1.2. The length of the hole measured along the web exceeds 255 mm (10 inches) or the depth of the web, whichever is greater.
2. Web holes not exceeding the dimensional requirements in Section R603.2.6.3, Item 1, shall be patched with a solid steel plate, stud section or track section in accordance with Figure R603.2.6.3. The steel patch shall, as a minimum, be the same thickness as the receiving member and shall extend not less than 25 mm (1 inch) beyond all edges of the hole. The steel patch shall be fastened to the web of the receiving member with No. 8 screws spaced not more than 25.5 mm (1 inch) center-to-center along the edges of the patch with a minimum edge distance of 12.5 mm (1/2 inch).

R603.3 Wall construction. Exterior cold-formed steel framed walls and interior load-bearing cold-formed steel framed walls are not permitted in Jamaica. However, interior nonload-bearing cold-formed steel framed walls shall be constructed in accordance with the provisions of this section.

R603.3.1 Wall to foundation or floor connection. Cold-formed steel framed walls shall be anchored to founda-

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tions or floors in accordance with Table R603.3.1 and Figure R603.3.1(1), R603.3.1(2), R603.3.1(3) or R603.3.1(4).

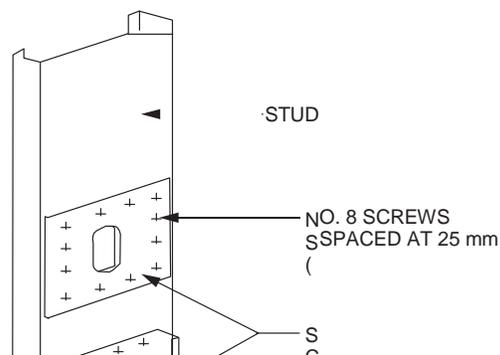
Anchor bolts shall be located not more than 305 mm (12 inches) from corners or the termination of bottom tracks. Anchor bolts shall extend not less than 381 mm (15 inches) into masonry or 178 mm (7 inches) into concrete. Foundation anchor straps shall be permitted, in lieu of anchor bolts, if spaced as required to provide equivalent anchorage to the required anchor bolts and installed in accordance with manufacturer's requirements.

R603.3.1.1 Gable endwalls. Internal nonload-bearing partition walls with a gable endwall profile constructed from cold-formed steel members with heights greater than 3,050 mm (10 feet) shall be anchored to foundations or floors in accordance with Table R603.3.1.1(1) or R603.3.1.1(2).

R603.3.2 Minimum stud sizes. Cold-formed steel walls shall be constructed in accordance with Figure R603.3.1(1), R603.3.1(2) or R603.3.1(3), as applicable. Interior nonload-bearing wall stud size and thickness for the three building attributes of Table 602.1.1 shall be determined in accordance with the limits set forth in Tables R603.3.2(2) through R603.3.2(16) based on the ultimate design wind speeds of 51.75, 58.5 and 63 m/s (115, 130 and 140 miles per hour), Exposure Category B, and the building width and stud spacing as appropriate. Fastening requirements shall be in accordance with Section R603.2.5 and Table R603.3.2(1). Top and bottom tracks shall have the same minimum thickness as the wall studs.

Wall studs shall be permitted to be reduced to the next thinner size, as shown in Tables R603.3.2(2) through R603.3.2(16), but not less than 0.84 mm (33 mils), where both of the following conditions exist:

1. Minimum of 12.5 mm (1/2-inch) gypsum board is installed and fastened on the interior surfaces in accordance with Section R702.
2. Wood structural sheathing panels of minimum 11.1 mm (7/16-inch)-thick oriented strand board or 12 mm (15/32-inch)-thick plywood are installed and fas-



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FIGURE
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WALL STUD WEB HOLE PATCH

tened in accordance with Section R603.9.1 and Table R603.3.2(1).

Interior non-load-bearing walls shall be permitted. to be reduced to the next thinner size, as shown in Tables R603.3.2(2) through R603.3.2(16), but not less than 0.84 mm (33 mils), where not less than 12.5 mm (1/2-inch) gypsum board is installed and fastened in accordance with Section R702 on both sides of the wall. The tabulated stud thickness for non-load-bearing walls shall be used where there is an attic load of 480 Pa (10 pounds per square foot) or less. A limited attic storage load of 960 Pa (20 pounds per square foot) shall be permitted provided this space will be used for equipment storage and stud sizes

are selected from Tables R603.3.2(2) through R603.3.2(16).

R603.3.2.1 Gable endwalls. External gable endwalls shall not be allowed but internal partition walls with gable endwall profile shall be permitted. The size and thickness of cold-formed studs for internal partition walls with a gable endwall profile and heights less than or equal to 3,050 mm (10 feet) shall be permitted in accordance with the limits set forth in Table R603.3.2.1(1). The size and thickness of internal gable endwall studs with heights greater than 3,050 mm (10 feet) shall be determined in accordance with the limits set forth in Table R603.3.2.1(2).

**TABLE R603.3.1
WALL TO FOUNDATION OR FLOOR CONNECTION REQUIREMENTS^{a, b}**

FRAMING CONDITION	ULTIMATE WIND SPEED AND EXPOSURE CATEGORY (m/s)					
	51 B	53 B	58 B or 115 C	< 62 B or 53 C	58 C	< 62 C
Wall bottom track to floor per Figure R603.3.1(1)	1-No. 8 screw at 305 mm o.c.	1-No. 8 screw at 205 mm o.c.	2-No. 8 screws at 205 mm o.c.	2-No. 8 screws at 150 mm o.c.	3-No. 8 screws at 205 mm o.c.	3-No. 8 screws at 150 mm o.c.
Wall bottom track to foundation per Figure R603.3.1(2) ^d	12.5 mm minimum diameter anchor bolt at 1828	12.5 mm minimum diameter anchor bolt at 1828	12.5 mm minimum diameter anchor bolt at 1219	12.5 mm minimum diameter anchor bolt at 1219	12.5 mm minimum diameter anchor bolt at 1016 mm	12.5 mm minimum diameter anchor bolt at 812 mm

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			mm o.c.	mm o.c.	mm o.c.	mm o.c.	o.c.	o.c.	
Wall bottom track to wood sill per Figure R603.3.1(3)			Steel plate spaced at 1219 mm o.c., with 4-No. 8 screws and 4-10d or 6-8d common nails	Steel plate spaced at 1219 mm o.c., with 4-No. 8 screws and 4-10d or 6-8d common nails	Steel plate spaced at 915 mm o.c., with 4-No. 8 screws and 4-10d or 6-8d common nails	Steel plate spaced at 915 mm o.c., with 4-No. 8 screws and 4-10d or 6-8d common nails	Steel plate spaced at 610 mm o.c., with 4-No. 8 screws and 4-10d or 6-8d common nails	Steel plate spaced at 405 mm o.c., with 4-No. 8 screws and 4-10d or 6-8d common nails	
Wind uplift connector strength (lbs) ^{c, e}	Stud Spacing (mm)	Roof Span (mm)							
	405	7315	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	
		8534	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	339	
		9753	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	382	
		10972	NR	NR	NR	NR	333	426	
		12192	NR	NR	NR	NR	368	470	
	610	7315	NR	NR	NR	NR	343	443	
		8534	NR	NR	NR	NR	395	508	
		9753	NR	NR	NR	330	447	573	
		10972	NR	NR	NR	371	500	639	
		12192	NR	NR	345	411	552	704	

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm= 0.03937 inch , 1 m/s= 2.2 mile per hour = 1 mm= 0.00328 foot , 1 N= 0.22 pound .

a. Anchor bolts are to be located not more than 305 mm (12 inches) from corners or the termination of bottom tracks, such as at door openings or corners.

Bolts are to extend not less than 381 mm (15 inches) into masonry or 178 mm (7 inches) into concrete.

b. All screw sizes shown are minimum.

c. NR = Uplift connector not required.

d. Foundation anchor straps are permitted in place of anchor bolts, if spaced as required to provide equivalent anchorage to the required anchor bolts and installed in accordance with manufacturer's requirements.

e. See Figure R603.3.1(4) for details.

TABLE R603.3.1.1(1)
GABLE ENDWALL TO FLOOR CONNECTION REQUIREMENTS^{a, b, c}

ULTIMATE WIND SPEED (ms)		WALL BOTTOM TRACK TO FLOOR JOIST OR TRACK CONNECTION		
Exposure Category		Stud height, <i>h</i> (mm)		
B	C	3050 < <i>h</i> ≤ 4267	4267 < <i>h</i> ≤ 5486	5486 < <i>h</i> ≤ 6705
51	—	1-No. 8 screw @ 305mm o.c.	1-No. 8 screw @ 305 mm o.c.	1-No. 8 screw @ 305 μμ o.c.
53	—	1-No. 8 screw @ 305 mm o.c.	1-No. 8 screw @ 305 mm o.c.	1-No. 8 screw @ 305 mm o.c.
58	51	1-No. 8 screw @ 305 mm o.c.	1-No. 8 screw @ 305 mm o.c.	2-No. 8 screws @ 305 mm o.c.
< 62	53	1-No. 8 screw @ 305 mm o.c.	1-No. 8 screw @ 305 μμ o.c.	2-No. 8 screws @ 305 mm o.c.
—	58	2-No. 8 screws @ 305 mm o.c.	1-No. 8 screw @ 205 mm o.c.	2-No. 8 screws @ 205 mm o.c.
—	< 62	2-No. 8 screws @ 305 mm o.c.	1-No. 8 screw @ 205 mm o.c.	2-No. 8 screws @ 205 o.c.

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 m/s = 2.2 mile per hour, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot.

- a. Refer to Table R603.3.1.1(2) for gable endwall bottom track to foundation connections.
- b. Where attachment is not given, special design is required.
- c. Stud height, *h*, is measured from wall bottom track to wall top track or brace connection height.

TABLE R603.3.1.1(2)
GABLE ENDWALL BOTTOM TRACK TO FOUNDATION CONNECTION REQUIREMENTS^{a, b, c}

ULTIMATE WIND SPEED (m/s)		MINIMUM SPACING FOR 12.5 mm ^m DIAMETER ANCHOR BOLTS ^d		
Exposure Category		Stud height, <i>h</i> (mm)		
B	C	3050 < <i>h</i> ≤ 4267	4267 < <i>h</i> ≤ 5486	5486 < <i>h</i> ≤ 6705
51	—	1828 mm o.c.	1828 mm o.c.	1828 mm o.c.
53	—	1828 mm o.c.	1700	1828 mm o.c.
58	51	1524 o.c.	1828 mm o.c.	1828 mm o.c.
< 62	53	1828 mm o.c.	1676 mm o.c.	1828 mm o.c.
—	58	1600 o.c.	1828 mm o.c.	1828 mm o.c.
—	< 62	915 o.c.	915 mm o.c.	915 mm o.c.

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0,03937 inch , 1 m/s= 2.2 mile per hour , 1 mm= 0.00328 foot .

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- d. Refer to Table R603.3.1.1(1) for gable endwall bottom track to floor joist or track connection connections.
- e. Where attachment is not given, special design is required.
- f. Stud height, *h*, is measured from wall bottom track to wall top track or brace connection height.
- g. Foundation anchor straps are permitted in place of anchor bolts if spaced as required to provide equivalent anchorage to the required anchor bolts and installed in accordance with manufacturer's requirements.

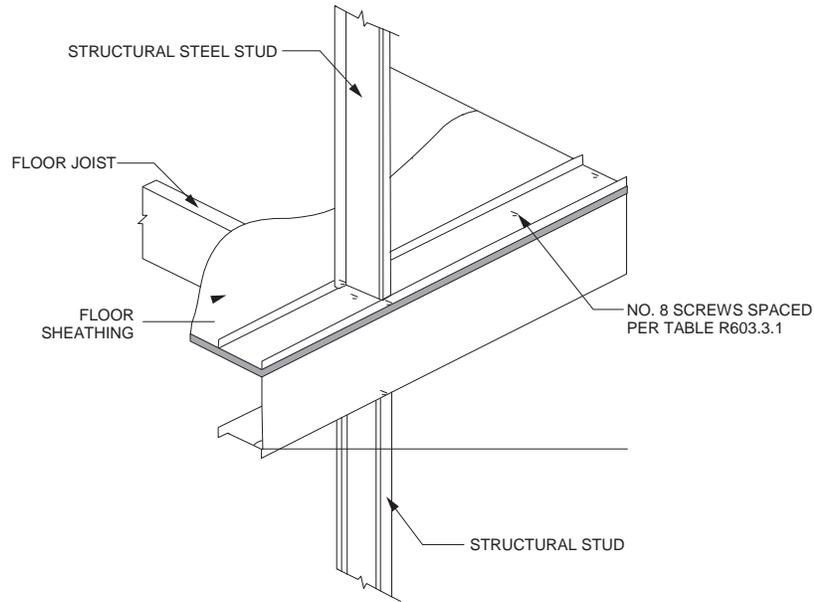
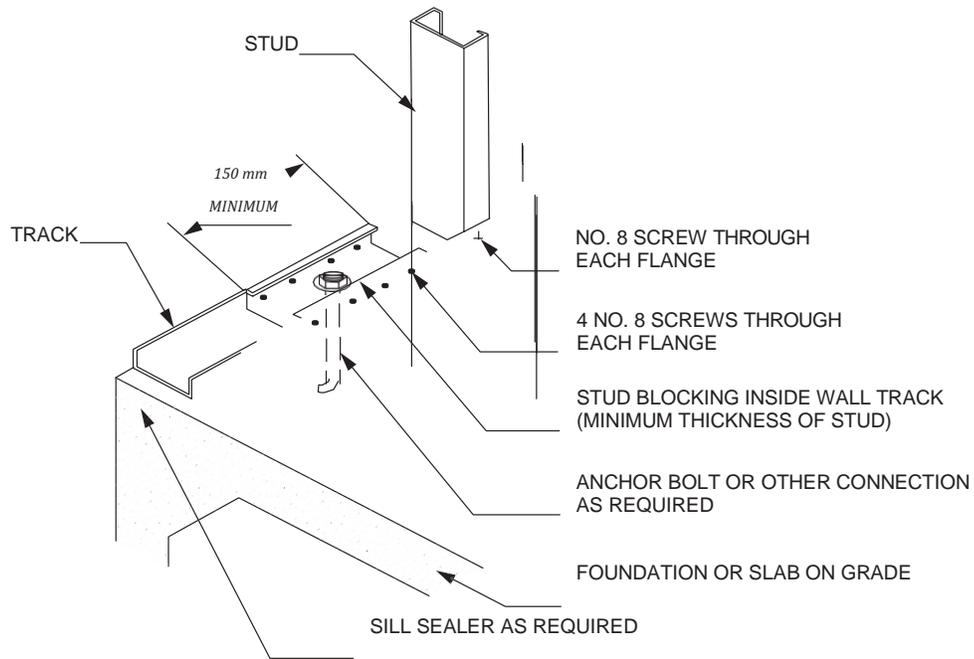
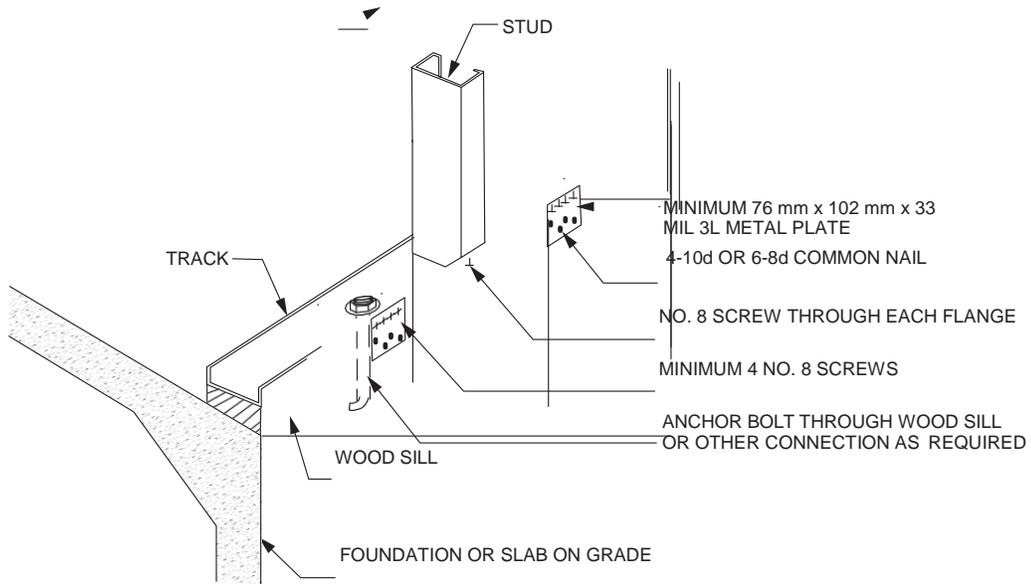


FIGURE R603.3.1(1)
WALL TO FLOOR CONNECTION



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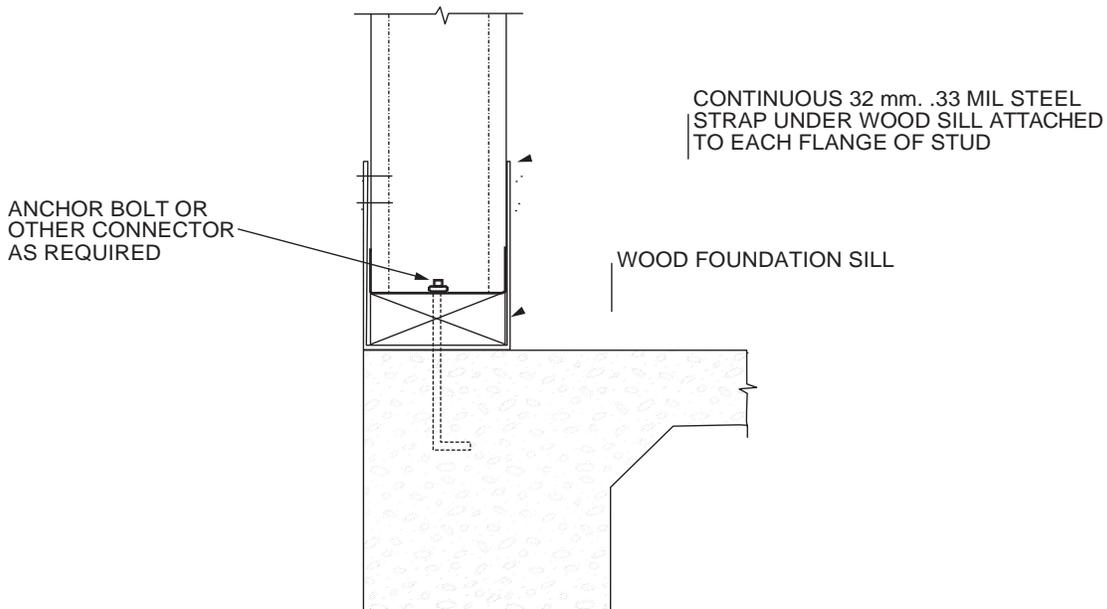
FIGURE R603.3.1(2)
WALL TO FOUNDATION CONNECTION



For Inch Pound Units: 1 mil = 0.0254 mm, 1 mm = 0.03937 inch .

FIGURE R603.3.1(3)
WALL TO WOOD SILL CONNECTION

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For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 39.37 mil, 1 mm = 0.03937 inch .

**FIGURE R603.3.1(4)
WIND UPLIFT CONNECTOR**

**TABLE R603.3.2(1)
WALL FASTENING SCHEDULE^a**

DESCRIPTION OF BUILDING ELEMENT	NUMBER AND SIZE OF FASTENERS ^a	SPACING OF FASTENERS
Wall stud to top or bottom track	2-No. 8 screws	Each end of stud, one per flange
Structural sheathing to wall studs	No. 8 screws ^b	150 mm o.c. on edges and 305 mm o.c. at intermediate supports
12.5 mm gypsum board to framing	No. 6 screws	305 mm o.c.

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch .

a. All screw sizes shown are minimum.

b. Screws for attachment of structural sheathing panels are to be bugle-head, flat-head, or similar head styles with a minimum head diameter of 7.36 mm (0.29 inch).

TABLE R603.3.2(2)
7315 mm-WIDE BUILDING SUPPORTING ROOF AND CEILING ONLY^{a, b, c, d}

ULTIMATE WIND SPEED AND EXPOSURE CATEGORY (m/s)		MEMBER SIZE	STUD SPACING (mm)	MINIMUM STUD THICKNESS (mm)													
				2,440 mm- Studs				2,750 mm- Studs				3,050 mm- Studs					
Exp. B	Exp. C			External Load to be Supported (kPa)													
				0.96	1.44	2.40	3.35	0.96	1.44	2.40	3.35	0.96	1.44	2.40	3.35		
51	-	350S162	405	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	
			610	0.838	0.838	0.838	1.092	0.838	0.838	0.838	1.092	0.838	0.838	1.092	1.092		
		550S162	405	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838
			610	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	1.092	
54	---	350S162	405	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	
			610	0.838	0.838	0.838	1.092	0.838	0.838	0.838	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092		
		550S162	405	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	
			610	0.838	0.838	0.838	1.092	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	1.092	
58	51	350S162	405	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	
			610	0.838	0.838	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.372		
		550S162	405	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	
			610	0.838	0.838	0.838	1.092	0.838	0.838	0.838	1.092	0.838	0.838	0.838	1.092		
		350S162	405	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	1.092		

WALL CONSTRUCTION

< 63	54	550S162	610	0.838	0.838	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.372	1.372	1.372	1.372		
			405	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838
			610	0.838	0.838	0.838	1.092	0.838	0.838	0.838	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092
—	58	350S162	405	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092		
			610	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.372	1.372	1.372	1.372	1.372	1.372	1.372	1.372		
		550S162	405	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	
			610	0.838	0.838	0.838	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	
—	< 63	350S 162	405	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092		
			610	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.372	1.372	1.372	1.372	1.372	1.372	1.372	1.372			
		550S 162	405	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838		
			610	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092		

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 mm = 39.37 mil, 1 m/s = 2.237 mile per hour, 1 kPa = 20.877 pound per square foot, 1 MPa = 0.145 ksi or 145 psi.

a. Deflection criterion: $L/240$.

b. Design load assumptions:

Second-floor dead load is 0.479 kPa (10 psf).

Second-floor live load is 1.437 kPa (30 psf).

Roof/ceiling dead load is 0.5748 kPa (12 psf).

Attic live load is 0.479 kPa (10 psf).

c. Building width is in the direction of horizontal framing members supported by the wall studs.

d. Minimum Grade 227.535 MPa (33 ksi) steel shall be used for 0.838 mm and 1.092 mm (33 mil and 43 mil) thicknesses. Minimum Grade 344.75 MPa (50 ksi) steel shall be used for 1.372 and 1.727 mm (54 and 68 mil) thicknesses.

TABLE R603.3.2(3)
8,535 mm-WIDE BUILDING SUPPORTING ROOF AND CEILING ONLY^{a, b, c, d}

ULTIMATE WIND SPEED AND EXPOSURE CATEGORY (m/s)		MEMBER SIZE	STUD SPACING (mm)	MINIMUM STUD THICKNESS (mm)											
				2,440 mm Studs				2,750 mm Studs				3,050 mm Studs			
Exp. B	Exp. C			External Load to be Supported (kPa)											
				0.96	1.44	2.40	3.35	0.96	1.44	2.40	3.35	0.96	1.44	2.40	3.35
51	-	350S162	405	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838
			610	0.838	0.838	1.092	1.092	0.838	0.838	1.092	1.092	0.838	0.838	1.092	1.372
		550S162	405	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838
			610	0.838	0.838	0.838	1.092	0.838	0.838	0.838	1.092	0.838	0.838	0.838	1.092
54	-	350S162	405	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	
			610	0.838	0.838	1.092	1.092	0.838	0.838	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.372	
		550S162	405	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	
			610	0.838	0.838	0.838	1.092	0.838	0.838	0.838	1.092	0.838	0.838	0.838	1.092
58	51	350S162	405	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	
			610	0.838	0.838	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.372	
		550S162	405	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	
			610	0.838	0.838	0.838	1.092	0.838	0.838	0.838	1.092	0.838	0.838	0.838	1.092
		350S162	405	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	1.092	
			610	0.838	0.838	1.092	1.372	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.372	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.372

WALL CONSTRUCTION

< 63	54	550S162	405	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	
			610	0.838	0.838	0.838	1.092	0.838	0.838	0.838	1.092	0.838	0.838	0.838	1.092	
—	58	350S162	405	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	1.092
			610	0.838	0.838	1.092	1.372	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.372	1.372	1.372	1.372	1.372	
		550S162	405	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838
			610	0.838	0.838	0.838	1.092	0.838	0.838	0.838	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	
—	< 63	350S 162	405	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	
			610	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.372	1.372	1.372	1.372	1.372	1.372	1.372	1.372		
		550S 162	405	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	
			610	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 mm = 39.37 mil, 1 m/s = 2.237 mile per hour, 1 kPa = 20.877 pound per square foot, 1 MPa = 0.145 ksi = 145 psi.

1. Deflection criterion: $L/240$.

2. Design load assumptions:

Second-floor dead load is 0.479 kPa (10 psf.)

Second-floor live load is 1.437 kPa (30 psf).

Roof/ceiling dead load is 0.575 kPa (12 psf).

Attic live load is 0.479 kPa (10 psf).

3. Building width is in the direction of horizontal framing members supported by the wall studs.

4. Minimum Grade 227.5 MPa (33 ksi) steel shall be used for 0.838 mm (33 mil) and 1.092 mm (43 mil) thicknesses. Minimum Grade 344.75 MPa (50 ksi) steel shall be used for 1.372 and 1.727 mm (54 and 68 mil) thicknesses.

TABLE R603.3.2(4)
9,754 mm-WIDE BUILDING SUPPORTING ROOF AND CEILING ONLY^{a, b, c, d}

ULTIMATE WIND SPEED AND EXPOSURE CATEGORY (m/s)		MEMBER SIZE	STUD SPACING (mm)	MINIMUM STUD THICKNESS (mm)												
				2,440 mm Studs				2,750 mm Studs				3,050 mm Studs				
Exp. B	Exp. C			External Load to be Supported (kPa)												
				0.96	1.44	2.40	3.35	0.96	1.44	2.40	3.35	0.96	1.44	2.40	3.35	
51	-	350S162	405	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	1.092	
			610	0.838	0.838	1.092	1.372	0.838	0.838	1.092	1.372	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.372	
		550S162	405	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838
			610	0.838	0.838	0.838	1.092	0.838	0.838	0.838	1.092	0.838	0.838	0.838	1.092	
54	-	350S162	405	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	1.092	
			610	0.838	0.838	1.092	1.372	0.838	0.838	1.092	1.372	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.372	
		550S162	405	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838
			610	0.838	0.838	0.838	1.092	0.838	0.838	0.838	1.092	0.838	0.838	1.092	1.092	
58	51	350S162	405	0.838	0.838	0.838	1.092	0.838	0.838	0.838	1.092	0.838	0.838	0.838	1.092	
			610	0.838	0.838	1.092	1.372	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.372	1.092	1.092	1.372	1.372	
		550S162	405	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838
			610	0.838	0.838	1.092	1.092	0.838	0.838	0.838	1.092	0.838	0.838	1.092	1.092	
		350S162	405	0.838	0.838	0.838	1.092	0.838	0.838	0.838	1.092	0.838	0.838	0.838	1.092	
			610	0.838	0.838	1.092	1.372	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.372	1.372	1.372	1.372	1.372	

WALL CONSTRUCTION

< 63	54	550S162	405	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838
			610	0.838	0.838	1.092	1.092	0.838	0.838	0.838	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092
—	58	350S162	405	0.838	0.838	0.838	1.092	0.838	0.838	0.838	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092
			610	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.372	1.372	1.372	1.372	1.372	1.372	1.372	1.372	
		550S162	405	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838
			610	0.838	0.838	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	
—	< 63	350S 162	405	0.838	0.838	0.838	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	
			610	1.092	1.092	1.372	1.372	1.372	1.372	1.372	1.372	1.372	1.372		
		550S 162	405	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	
			610	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092		

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 mm = 39.37 mil, 1 m/s = 2.237 mile per hour, 1 kPa = 20.877 pound per square foot, 1 0.145 ksi = 145 psi.

1. Deflection criterion: $L/240$.

2. Design load assumptions:

Second-floor dead load is 0.479 kPa (10 psf).

Second-floor live load is 1.437 kPa (30psf).

Roof/ceiling dead load is 0.575 kPa (12 psf).

Attic live load is 0.479 kPa (10 psf).

3. Building width is in the direction of horizontal framing members supported by the wall studs.

4. Minimum Grade 227.5 MPa (33 ksi) steel shall be used for 0.838 mm (33 mil) and 1.092 mm (43 mil) thicknesses. Minimum Grade 344.75 MPa (50 ksi) steel shall be used for 1.372 and 1.727 mm (54 and 68 mil) thicknesses.

TABLE R603.3.2(5)
10,973 mm-WIDE BUILDING SUPPORTING ROOF AND CEILING ONLY^{a, b, c, d}

ULTIMATE WIND SPEED AND EXPOSURE CATEGORY (m/s)		MEMBER SIZE	STUD SPACING (mm)	MINIMUM STUD THICKNESS (mm)												
				2,440 mm Studs				2,750 mm Studs				3,050 mm Studs				
Exp. B	Exp. C			External Load to be Supported (kPa)												
				0.96	1.44	2.40	3.35	0.96	1.44	2.40	3.35	0.96	1.44	2.40	3.35	
51	-	350S162	405	0.838	0.838	0.838	1.092	0.838	0.838	0.838	1.092	0.838	0.838	0.838	1.092	
			610	0.838	0.838	1.092	1.372	0.838	0.838	1.092	1.372	1.092	1.092	1.372	1.372	
		550S162	405	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838
			610	0.838	0.838	1.092	1.092	0.838	0.838	1.092	1.092	0.838	0.838	1.092	1.092	
54	-	350S162	405	0.838	0.838	0.838	1.092	0.838	0.838	0.838	1.092	0.838	0.838	0.838	1.092	
			610	0.838	0.838	1.092	1.372	0.838	0.838	1.092	1.372	1.092	1.092	1.372	1.372	
		550S162	405	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	
			610	0.838	0.838	1.092	1.092	0.838	0.838	1.092	1.092	0.838	0.838	1.092	1.092	
58	51	350S162	405	0.838	0.838	0.838	1.092	0.838	0.838	0.838	1.092	0.838	0.838	1.092	1.092	
			610	0.838	1.092	1.092	1.372	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.372	1.092	1.092	1.372	1.372	
		550S162	405	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	
			610	0.838	0.838	1.092	1.092	0.838	0.838	1.092	1.092	0.838	0.838	1.092	1.092	
		350S162	405	0.838	0.838	0.838	1.092	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	1.092	1.092	

WALL CONSTRUCTION

< 63	54		610	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.372	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.372	1.372	1.372	1.372	1.372	
		550S162	405	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838
			610	0.838	0.838	1.092	1.092	0.838	0.838	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.372
—	58	350S162	405	0.838	0.838	0.838	1.092	0.838	0.838	0.838	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	
			610	1.092	1.092	1.372	1.372	1.372	1.372	1.372	1.372	1.372	1.372	1.372	1.372	
		550S162	405	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838
			610	0.838	0.838	1.092	1.372	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.372
—	< 63	350S 162	405	0.838	0.838	0.838	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.372	
			610	1.092	1.092	1.372	1.372	1.372	1.372	1.372	1.372	1.372	1.372	1.727		
		550S 162	405	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	1.372
			610	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.372	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.372

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 mm = 39.37 mil, 1 m/s = 2.237 mile per hour, 1 kPa = 20.877 pound per square foot, 1 0.145 ksi = 145 psi.

1. Deflection criterion: $L/240$.

2. Design load assumptions:

Second-floor dead load is 0.479 kPa (10 psf).

Second-floor live load is 1.437 kPa (30 psf).

Roof/ceiling dead load is 0.575 kPa (12 psf).

Attic live load is 0.479 kPa (10 psf).

3. Building width is in the direction of horizontal framing members supported by the wall studs.

4. Minimum Grade 227.5 MPa (33 ksi) steel shall be used for 0.838 mm (33 mil) and 1.092 mm (43 mil) thicknesses. Minimum Grade 344.75 MPa (50 ksi) steel shall be used for 1.372 and 1.727 mm (54 and 68 mil) thicknesses.

TABLE R603.3.2(6)
12,192 mm-WIDE BUILDING SUPPORTING ROOF AND CEILING ONLY^{a, b, c, d}

ULTIMATE WIND SPEED AND EXPOSURE CATEGORY (m/s)		MEMBER SIZE	STUD SPACING (mm)	MINIMUM STUD THICKNESS (mm)												
				2,440 mm Studs				2,750 mm Studs				3,050 mm Studs				
Exp. B	Exp. C			External Load to be Supported (kPa)												
				0.96	1.44	2.40	3.35	0.96	1.44	2.40	3.35	0.96	1.44	2.40	3.35	
51	-	350S162	405	0.838	0.838	0.838	1.092	0.838	0.838	0.838	1.092	0.838	0.838	0.838	1.092	
			610	0.838	0.838	1.092	1.372	0.838	0.838	1.092	1.372	1.092	1.092	1.372	1.372	
		550S162	405	0.838	0.838	0.838	1.092	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838
			610	0.838	0.838	0.838	1.092	0.838	0.838	0.838	1.092	0.838	0.838	1.092	1.092	
54	-	350S162	405	0.838	1.092	1.092	1.372	0.838	1.092	1.092	1.372	1.092	1.092	1.372	1.372	
			610	0.838	0.838	0.838	1.092	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	1.092	
		550S162	405	0.838	0.838	1.092	1.372	0.838	0.838	1.092	1.092	0.838	0.838	1.092	1.372	
			610	0.838	0.838	0.838	1.092	0.838	0.838	0.838	1.092	0.838	0.838	1.092	1.092	
58	51	350S162	405	1.092	1.092	1.372	1.372	1.092	1.092	1.372	1.372	1.092	1.372	1.372	1.372	
			610	0.838	1.092	1.092	1.372	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.372	1.092	1.092	1.372	1.372	
		550S162	405	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838
			610	0.838	0.838	1.092	1.092	0.838	0.838	1.092	1.092	0.838	0.838	1.092	1.092	
		350S162	405	0.838	0.838	0.838	1.092	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	1.092	1.092	
			610	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.372	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.372	1.372	1.372	1.372	1.372	

WALL CONSTRUCTION

< 63	54	550S162	405	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838
			610	0.838	0.838	1.092	1.092	0.838	0.838	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092
—	58	350S162	405	0.838	0.838	0.838	1.092	0.838	0.838	0.838	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092
			610	1.092	1.092	1.372	1.372	1.372	1.372	1.372	1.372	1.372	1.372	1.372	
		550S162	405	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838
			610	0.838	0.838	1.092	1.372	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.372
—	< 63	350S 162	405	0.838	0.838	0.838	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	
			610	1.092	1.092	1.372	1.372	1.372	1.372	1.372	1.372	1.372	1.372	1.727	
		550S 162	405	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	
			610	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.372	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.092	1.372

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 mm = 39.37 mil, 1 m/s = 2.237 mile per hour, 1 kPa = 20.877 pound per square foot, 1 0.145 ksi = 145 psi.

1. Deflection criterion: $L/240$.

2. Design load assumptions:

Second-floor dead load is 0.479 kPa (10 psf).

Second-floor live load is 1.437 kPa (30 psf).

Roof/ceiling dead load is 0.575 kPa (12 psf).

Attic live load is 0.479 kPa (10 psf).

3. Building width is in the direction of horizontal framing members supported by the wall studs.

4. Minimum Grade 227.5 MPa (33 ksi) steel shall be used for 0.838 mm (33 mil) and 1.092 mm (43 mil) thicknesses. Minimum Grade 344.75 MPa (50 ksi) steel shall be used for 1.372 and 1.727 mm (54 and 68 mil) thicknesses.

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**TABLE R603.3.2(7) NOT APPLICABLE
24-FOOT-WIDE BUILDING SUPPORTING ONE FLOOR, ROOF AND CEILING^{a, b, c, d}**



**TABLE R603.3.2(8) NOT APPLICABLE
28-FOOT-WIDE BUILDING SUPPORTING ONE FLOOR, ROOF AND CEILING^{a, b, c, d}**

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**TABLE R603.3.2(9) NOT APPLICABLE
32-FOOT-WIDE BUILDING SUPPORTING ONE FLOOR, ROOF AND CEILING^{a, b, c, d}**



TABLE R603.3.2(10) NOT APPLICABLE
36-FOOT-WIDE BUILDING SUPPORTING ONE FLOOR, ROOF AND CEILING^{a, b, c, d}

TABLE R603.3.2(11) NOT APPLICABLE
40-FOOT-WIDE BUILDING SUPPORTING ONE FLOOR, ROOF AND CEILING^{a, b, c, d}



TABLE R603.3.2(12) NOT APPLICABLE
24-FOOT-WIDE BUILDING SUPPORTING TWO FLOORS, ROOF AND CEILING^{a, b, c, d}

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TABLE R603.3.2(13) NOT APPLICABLE
28-FOOT-WIDE BUILDING SUPPORTING TWO FLOORS, ROOF AND CEILING^{a, b, c, d}



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**TABLE R603.3.2(14) NOT APPLICABLE
32-FOOT-WIDE BUILDING SUPPORTING TWO FLOORS, ROOF AND CEILING^{a, b, c, d}**



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**TABLE R603.3.2(15) NOT APPLICABLE
36-FOOT-WIDE BUILDING SUPPORTING TWO FLOORS, ROOF AND CEILING^{a, b, c, d}**



TABLE R603.3.2(16) NOT APPLICABLE
40-FOOT-WIDE BUILDING SUPPORTING TWO FLOORS, ROOF AND CEILING^{a, b, c, d}

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R603.3.3 Stud bracing. The flanges of cold-formed steel studs shall be laterally braced in accordance with one of the following:

1. Gypsum board on both sides, structural sheathing on both sides, or gypsum board on one side and structural sheathing on the other side of load-bearing walls with gypsum board installed with minimum No. 6 screws in accordance with Section R702 and structural sheathing installed in accordance with Section R603.9 and Table R603.3.2(1).
2. Horizontal steel straps fastened in accordance with Figure R603.3.3(1) on both sides at mid-height for 2438 mm (8-foot) walls, and at one-third points for

2743 mm and 3050 mm (9-foot and 10-foot) walls. Horizontal steel straps shall be not less than 38 mm (1½ inches) in width and 0.84 mm (33 mils) in thickness. Straps shall be attached to the flanges of studs with one No. 8 screw. In-line blocking shall be installed between studs at the termination of straps and at 3657 mm (12-foot) intervals along the strap. Straps shall be fastened to the blocking with two No. 8 screws.

3. Sheathing on one side and strapping on the other side fastened in accordance with Figure R603.3.3(2). Sheathing shall be installed in accordance with Item 1. Steel straps shall be installed in accordance with Item 2.

TABLE R603.3.2.1(1)
ALL BUILDING WIDTHS GABLE ENDWALLS 2438, 2743, 3050 MM IN HEIGHT^{a, b, c, d}

ULTIMATE WIND SPEED AND EXPOSURE CATEGORY (m/s)		MEMBER SIZE	STUD SPACING (mm)	MINIMUM STUD THICKNESS (mm)		
Exp. B	Exp. C			2438-mm Studs	2743-mm Studs	3050-mm Studs
51	—	350S162	405	0.838	0.838	0.838
			610	0.838	0.838	0.838
		550S162	405	0.838	0.838	0.838
			610	0.838	0.838	0.838
53	—	350S162	405	0.838	0.838	0.838
			610	0.838	0.838	1.092
		550S162	405	0.838	0.838	0.838
			610	0.838	0.838	0.838
58	51	350S162	405	0.838	0.838	0.838
			610	0.838	1.092	1.092
		550S162	405	0.838	0.838	0.838
			610	0.838	0.838	0.838
< 62	53	350S162	405	0.838	0.838	1.092
			610	0.838	1.092	1.372
		550S162	405	0.838	0.838	0.838
			610	0.838	0.838	0.838
—	58	350S162	405	0.838	0.838	1.092
			610	1.092	1.092	1.372
		550S162	405	0.838	0.838	0.838
			610	0.838	1.092	1.092
—	< 62	350S162	405	0.838	1.092	1.092
			610	1.092	1.372	1.372
		550S162	405	0.838	0.838	0.838
			610	1.092	1.092	1.092

For Inch Pound Units : 1 mm = 0.03937 inch , 1 mm = 0.00328 foot , 1 mm = 39.37 mil, 1 m/s = 2.2 mile per hour=, 1 kPa= 20.89 pound per square foot, 1 ksi = 1,000 psi = 6.895 MPa.

a. Deflection criterion L/240.

b. Design load assumptions:

Roof/ceiling dead load is 0.57 (12 psf).

Floor dead load is 0.47 kPa (10 psf).

Floor live load is 1.9 kPa (40 psf.)

Attic dead load is 0.47 kPa (10 psf).

c. Building width is in the direction of horizontal framing members supported by the wall studs.

- d. Minimum Grade 227.5 MPa (33 ksi) steel shall be used for 0.8382 mm and 1.09 mm (33 mil and 43 mil) thicknesses. Minimum Grade 344.75 MPa (50 ksi) steel shall be used for 1.37 and 1.73 mm (54 and 68 mil) thicknesses.

TABLE R603.3.2.1(2)
ALL BUILDING WIDTHS GABLE ENDWALLS OVER 3050 mm IN HEIGHT^{a, b, c, d}

ULTIMATE WIND SPEED AND EXPOSURE CATEGORY (m/s)		MEMBER SIZE	STUD SPACING (mm)	MINIMUM STUD THICKNESS (mm)					
				Stud Height, <i>h</i> (mm)					
Exp. B	Exp. C			3050 < <i>h</i> ≤ 3660	3660 < <i>h</i> ≤ 4268	4268 < <i>h</i> ≤ 4877	4877 < <i>h</i> ≤ 5486	5486 < <i>h</i> ≤ 6096	6096 < <i>h</i> ≤ 6706
51	—	350S162	406	0.838	1.092	1.727	2.464	—	—
			610	1.092	1.727	—	—	—	—
		550S162	406	0.838	0.838	0.838	1.092	1.092	1.372
			610	0.838	1.092	1.092	1.372	1.727	2.464
53	—	350S162	406	1.092	1.372	2.464	—	—	—
			610	1.372	2.464	—	—	—	—
		550S162	406	0.838	0.838	1.092	1.092	1.372	1.727
			610	0.838	1.092	1.372	1.372	1.727	2.464
58	51	350S162	406	1.092	1.372	2.464	—	—	—
			610	1.372	2.464	—	—	—	—
		550S162	406	0.838	0.838	1.092	1.372	1.372	2.464
			610	1.092	1.092	1.372	1.727	2.464	2.464
< 62	53	350S162	406	1.092	1.727	—	—	—	—
			610	1.727	—	—	—	—	—
		550S162	406	0.838	1.092	1.092	1.372	1.727	2.464
			610	1.092	1.372	1.372	1.727	2.464	—
—	58	350S162	406	1.372	2.464	—	—	—	—
			2610	2.464	—	—	—	—	—
		550S162	406	0.838	1.092	1.372	1.727	2.464	—
			610	1.092	1.372	1.372	2.464	—	—
—	< 62	350S162	406	1.372	2.464	—	—	—	—
			610	2.464	—	—	—	—	—
		550S162	406	1.092	1.092	1.372	2.464	2.464	—
			610	1.372	1.372	1.727	—	—	—

For Inch Pound Units : 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 mil = 0.0254 mm, 1 m/s = 2.2 mile per hour , 1 kPa = 20.89 pound per square foot, 1 MPa = 0.145 ksi = 145 psi.

a. Deflection criterion $L/240$.

b. Design load assumptions:

Roof/ceiling dead load is 0.57 kPa (12 psf).

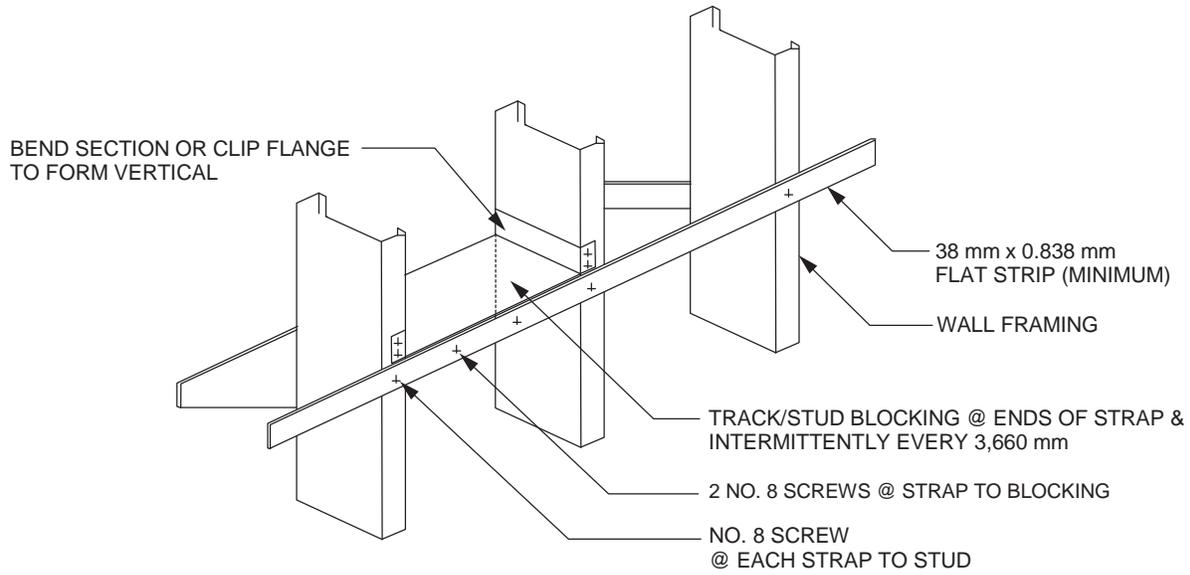
Floor dead load is 0.48 kPa (10 psf).

Floor live load is 1.9 kPa (40 psf).

Attic dead load is 0.48 kPa (10 psf).

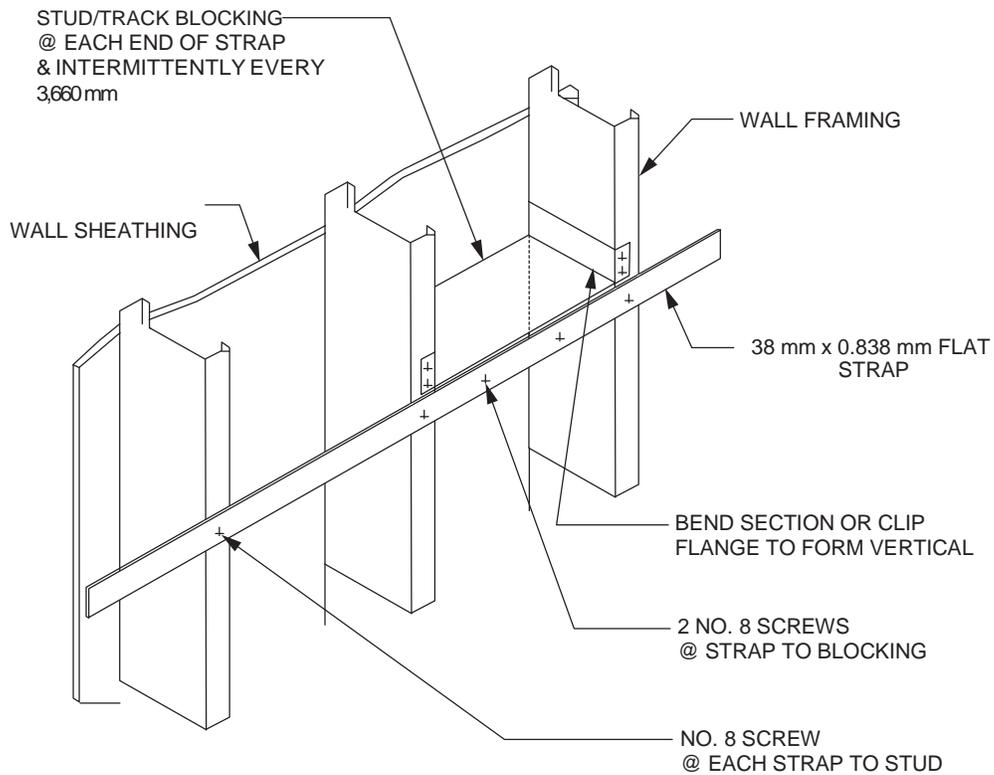
c. Building width is in the direction of horizontal framing members supported by the wall studs.

d. Minimum Grade 227.53 MPa (33 ksi) steel shall be used for 0.84 and 1.09 mm (33 mil and 43 mil) thicknesses. Minimum Grade 344.75 MPa (50 ksi) steel shall be used for 1.37 and 1.73 mm (54 and 68 mil) thicknesses.



For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 39.37 mil, 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot.

FIGURE R603.3.3(1)
STUD BRACING WITH STRAPPING ONLY



For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 39.37 mil, 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot.

FIGURE R603.3.3(2)
STUD BRACING WITH STRAPPING AND SHEATHING MATERIAL

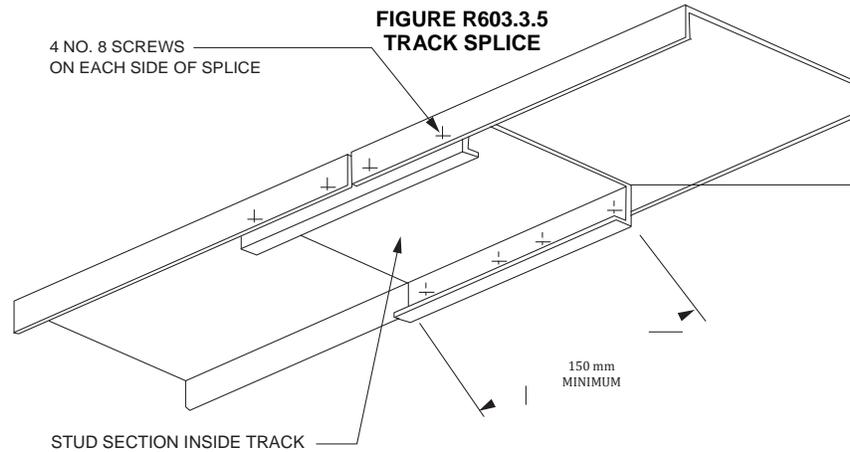
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R603.3.4 Cutting and notching. Flanges and lips of cold-formed steel studs and headers shall not be cut or notched.

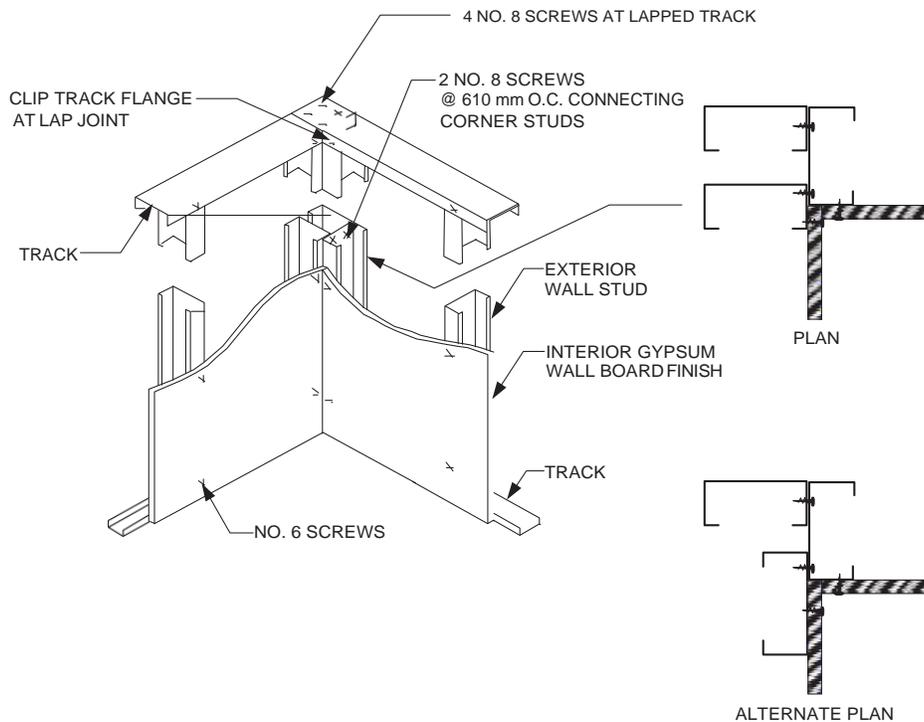
R603.3.5 Splicing. Steel studs and other structural members shall not be spliced without an *approved* design. Tracks shall be spliced in accordance with Figure R603.3.5.

R603.4 Corner framing. In interior walls, corner studs and the top tracks shall be installed in accordance with Figure R603.4.

R603.5 Exterior wall covering. Not applicable.



For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch.



For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch.

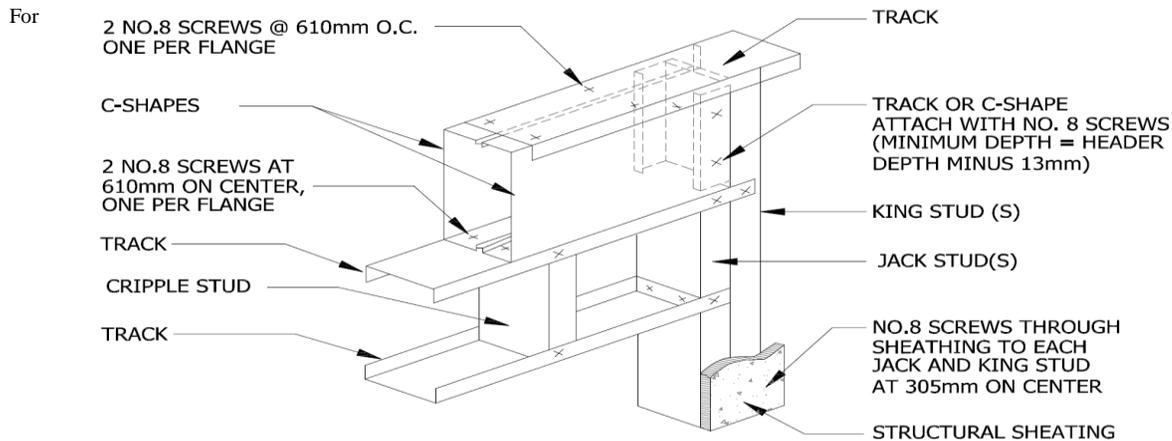
**FIGURE R603.4
CORNER FRAMING**

R603.6 Headers. Headers shall be installed above all wall openings in interior non-load-bearing partition walls. Box beam headers and back-to-back headers each shall be formed from two equal sized C-shaped members in accordance with Figures R603.6(1) and R603.6(2). L-shaped headers shall be permitted to be constructed in accordance with AISI S230. Alternately, headers shall be permitted to be designed and constructed in accordance with AISI S240.

R603.6.1 Headers in gable endwalls. Box beam and back-to-back headers in internal gable endwall profiles shall be permitted to be constructed in accordance with Section R603.6 or

with the header directly above the opening in accordance with Figures R603.6.1(1) and R603.6.1(2) and the following provisions:

2. Two 362S162-33 for openings less than or equal to 1,220 mm (4 feet).
3. Two 600S162-43 for openings greater than 1,220 mm (4 feet) but less than or equal to 1,830 mm (6 feet).
4. Two 800S162-54 for openings greater than 1,830 mm (6 feet) but less than or equal to 2,743 (9 feet).



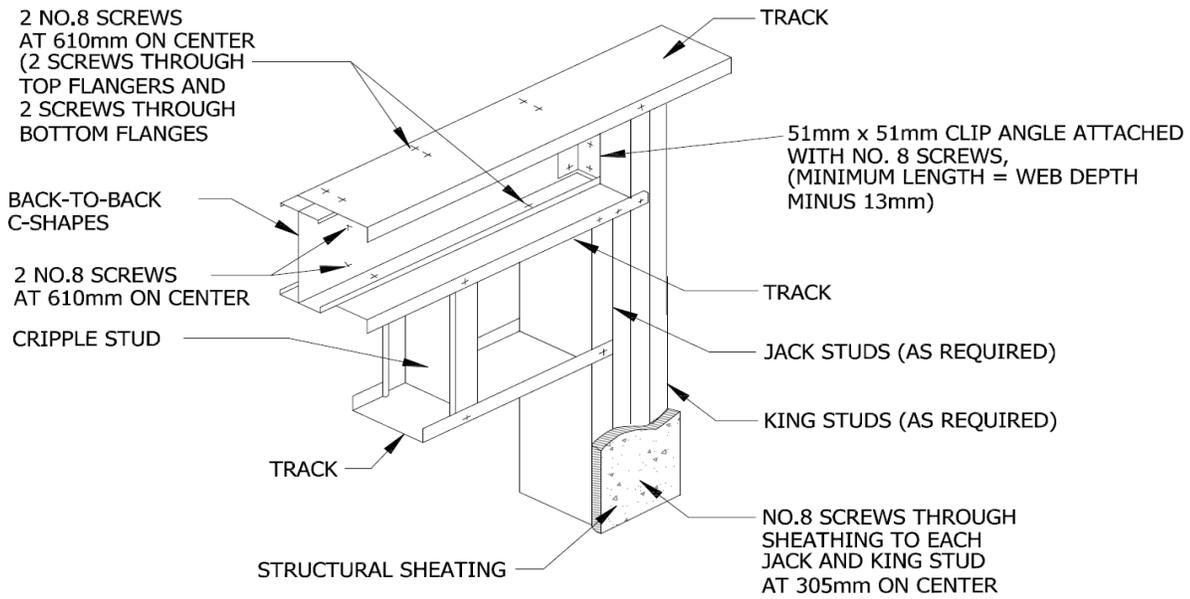
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Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch.

**FIGURE R603.6(1)
BOX BEAM HEADER**

For Inch Pound Units:
1 mm = 0.03937
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TABLE R603.6(1)
INTERNAL BOX-BEAM AND BACK-TO-BACK HEADER SPANS IN MILLIMETRES
Headers Supporting Roof and Ceiling Only^{a, b, d}

MEMBER DESIGNATION	EXTERNAL LOAD TO BE SUPPORTED (0.96 kPa)					EXTERNAL LOAD TO BE SUPPORTED (1.44 kPa)				
	Building width ^c (millimetres)					Building width ^c (millimetres)				
	7,315	8,534	9,754	10,973	12,192	7,315	8,534	9,754	10,973	12,192
2-350S162-33	991	813	660	—	—	813	660	—	—	—
2-350S162-43	1,270	1,143	1,016	889	787	1,143	1,016	889	787	660
2-350S162-54	1,880	1,778	1,727	1,600	1,473	1,803	1,727	1,575	1,473	1,372
2-350S162-68	2,007	1,905	1,829	1,778	1,727	1,930	1,854	1,778	1,727	1,676
2-550S162-33	1,422	1,219	1,067	914	762	1,245	1,067	914	762	—
2-550S162-43	1,829	1,626	1,473	1,321	1,194	1,651	1,473	1,321	1,168	1,041
2-550S162-54	2,667	2,565	2,464	2,362	2,210	2,591	2,464	2,337	2,184	2,032
2-550S162-68	2,870	2,743	2,642	2,540	2,464	2,768	2,642	2,540	2,464	2,388
2-800S162-33	1,346	1,194	1,041	940	864	1,194	762	940	838	686
2-800S162-43	2,209	2,007	1,803	1,626	1,473	2,007	1,803	1,626	1,448	1,295
2-800S162-54	3,302	3,099	2,921	2,743	2,565	3,099	2,921	2,718	2,540	2,362
2-800S162-68	3,861	3,607	3,404	3,226	3,073	3,632	3,277	3,226	3,048	2,896
2-1000S162-43	2,387	2,083	1,854	1,676	1,524	1,803	1,854	1,651	1,499	1,372
2-1000S162-54	3,734	3,480	3,277	3,099	2,896	3,505	3,277	3,073	2,870	2,667
2-1000S162-68	4,394	4,089	3,861	3,658	3,505	4,115	3,861	3,658	3,480	3,302
2-1200S162-54	3,937	3,429	3,048	2,743	2,489	3,480	3,048	2,743	2,464	2,235
2-1200S162-68	4,851	4,521	4,267	4,064	3,861	4,572	4,267	4,039	3,835	3,632

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 39.37 mil, 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 kPa = 20.877 pound per square foot, 1 kPa = 0.145 pound per square inch, 1 MPa = 0.145 ksi = 145 psi.

- Deflection criteria: $L/360$ for live loads, $L/240$ for total loads.
- Design load assumptions:
 - Roof/ceiling dead load is 0.575 kPa (12 psf).
 - Attic dead load is 0.479 kPa (10 psf).
- Building width is in the direction of horizontal framing members supported by the header.
- Minimum Grade 227.5 MPa (33 ksi) steel shall be used for 0.8382 mm and 1.092 mm (33 mil and 43 mil) thicknesses. Minimum Grade 344.75 MPa (50 ksi) steel shall be used for 1.372 and 1.727 mm (54 and 68 mil) thicknesses.

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TABLE R603.6(2)
INTERNAL BOX-BEAM AND BACK-TO-BACK HEADER SPANS IN MILLIMETRES
Headers Supporting Roof and Ceiling Only^{a, b, d}

MEMBER DESIGNATION	EXTERNAL LOAD TO BE SUPPORTED (2.40 kPa)					EXTERNAL LOAD TO BE SUPPORTED (3.35 kPa)				
	Building width ^c (mm)					Building width ^c (mm)				
	7,315	8,534	9,754	10,973	12,192	7,315	8,534	9,754	10,973	12,192
2-350S162-33	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2-350S162-43	711	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2-350S162-54	1,422	1,270	1,143	1,041	940	1,092	965	838	737	610
2-350S162-68	1,702	1,575	1,448	1,321	1,194	1,397	1,244	1,092	965	864
2-550S162-33	660	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2-550S162-43	1,118	940	762	—	—	686	—	—	—	—
2-550S162-54	2,108	1,905	1,753	1,600	1,448	1,676	1,499	1,346	1,194	1,041
2-550S162-68	2,438	2,286	2,108	1,956	1,803	2,057	1,854	1,676	1,524	1,397
2-800S162-33	787	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2-800S162-43	1,372	1,143	940	737	—	864	—	—	—	—
2-800S162-54	2,438	2,210	2,032	1,854	1,702	1,956	1,753	1,549	1,397	1,219
2-800S162-68	2,972	2,743	2,515	2,032	2,159	2,438	2,210	2,007	1,829	1,676
2-1000S162-43	1,422	1,244	1,067	838	—	991	660	—	—	—
2-1000S162-54	2,769	2,489	2,210	2,007	1,829	2,134	1,880	1,676	1,524	1,372
2-1000S162-68	3,378	3,099	2,870	2,642	2,464	2,769	2,515	2,286	2,083	1,905
2-1200S162-54	2,032	2,057	1,854	1,676	1,524	1,778	1,549	1,397	1,244	1,143
2-1200S162-68	3,734	3,429	3,150	2,921	2,718	3,073	2,769	2,515	2,286	2,083

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 39.37 mil, 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 kPa = 20.877 pound per square foot, 1 kPa = 0.145 pound per square inch, 1 MPa = 0.145 ksi = 145 psi.

5. Deflection criteria: *L*/360 for live loads, *L*/240 for total loads.

6. Design load assumptions:

Roof/ceiling dead load is 0.575 kPa (12 psf).

Attic dead load is 0.479 kPa (10 psf).

7. Building width is in the direction of horizontal framing members supported by the header.

8. Minimum Grade 227.5 MPa (33 ksi) steel shall be used for 0.8382 mm and 1.092 mm (33 mil and 43 mil) thicknesses. Minimum Grade 344.75 MPa (50 ksi) steel shall be used for 1.372 and 1.727 mm (54 and 68 mil) thicknesses.

TABLE R603.6(3)
BOX-BEAM AND BACK-TO-BACK HEADER SPANS
Headers Supporting One Floor, Roof and Ceiling^{a, b, d}
Not applicable

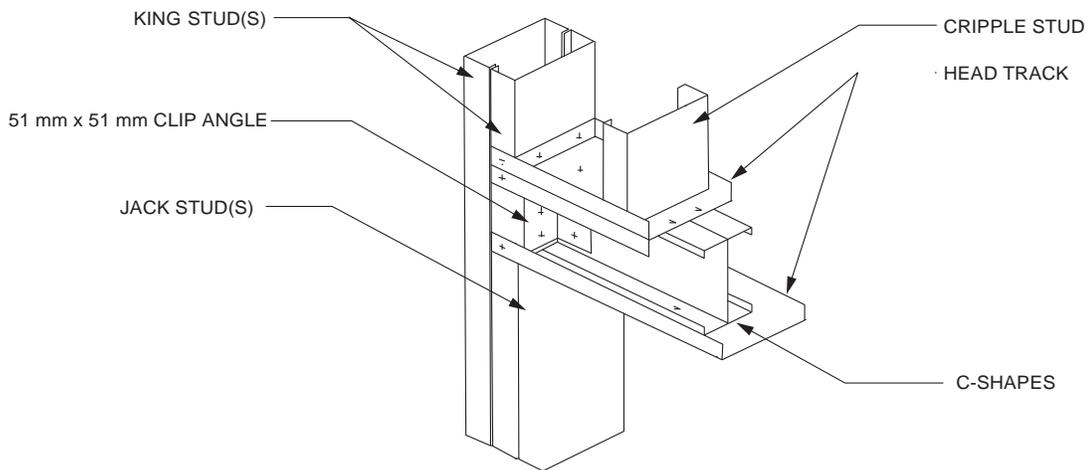
TABLE R603.6(4)
BOX-BEAM AND BACK-TO-BACK HEADER SPANS
Headers Supporting One Floor, Roof and Ceiling^{a, b, d}
Not applicable

TABLE R603.6(5)
BOX-BEAM AND BACK-TO-BACK HEADER SPANS
Headers Supporting Two Floors, Roof and Ceiling^{a, b, d}
Not applicable

TABLE R603.6(6)
BOX-BEAM AND BACK-TO-BACK HEADER SPANS
Headers Supporting Two Floors, Roof and Ceiling^{a, b, d}
Not applicable



FIGURE R603.6.1(1) NOT APPLICABLE



For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch.

FIGURE R603.6.1(2) BACK-TO-BACK HEADER IN INTERNAL GABLE ENDWALL PROFILE

R603.7 Jack and king studs. The number of jack and king studs installed on each side of a header shall comply with Table R603.7(1). King, jack and cripple studs shall be of the same dimension and thickness as the adjacent wall studs. Headers shall be connected to king studs in accordance with Table R603.7(2) and the following provisions:

1. For box beam headers, one-half of the total number of required screws shall be applied to the header and one-half to the king stud by use of C-shaped or track member in accordance with Figure R603.6(1). The track or C-shaped sections shall extend the depth of the header minus 12.5 mm ($\frac{1}{2}$ inch) and shall have a minimum thickness not less than that of the wall studs.
2. For back-to-back headers, one-half the total number of screws shall be applied to the header and one-half to the king stud by use of a minimum 51 mm by 51 mm (2-inch by 2-inch) clip angle in accordance with Figure R603.6(2). The clip angle shall extend the depth of the

header minus 12.5 mm ($\frac{1}{2}$ inch) and shall have a minimum thickness not less than that of the wall studs. Jack and king studs shall be interconnected with structural sheathing in accordance with Figures R603.6(1) and R603.6(2).

R603.8 Head and sill track. Head track spans above door and window openings and sill track spans beneath window openings shall comply with Table R603.8. For openings less than 1,220 mm (4 feet) in height that have both a head track and a sill track, multiplying the spans by 1.75 shall be permitted in Table R603.8. For openings less than or equal to 1,830 mm (6 feet) in height that have both a head track and a sill track, multiplying the spans in Table R603.8 by 1.50 shall be permitted.

R603.9 Structural sheathing. Structural sheathing shall be installed in accordance with Figure R603.9 and this section on all sheathable exterior wall surfaces, including areas above and below openings.

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**TABLE R603.7(1)
TOTAL NUMBER OF JACK AND KING STUDS REQUIRED AT EACH END OF AN INTERNAL OPENING**

SIZE OF OPENING (mm)	610-MM O.C. STUD SPACING		405-mm O.C. STUD SPACING	
	No. of jack studs	No. of king studs	No. of jack studs	No. of king studs
Up to 1050	1	1	1	1
> 1050 to 1500	1	2	1	2
> 1500 to 1650	1	2	2	2
> 1650 to 2450	1	2	2	2
> 2450 to 3200	2	2	2	3
> 3200 to 3650	2	2	3	3
> 3650 to 3950	2	3	3	3
> 3950 to 4250	2	3	3	4
> 4250 to 4850	2	3	3	4
> 4850 to 5450	3	3	4	4

For Inch Pound Units : 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot.

**TABLE R603.7(2)
HEADER TO KING STUD CONNECTION REQUIREMENTS^{a, b, c, d}**

HEADER SPAN (mm)	ULTIMATE WIND SPEED (m/s), EXPOSURE CATEGORY					
	51 B	53 B	58 B	<62 B	58 C	<62 C
			51 C	53 C		
≤ 1219	4-No. 8 screws	4-No. 8 screws	4-No. 8 screws	4-No. 8 screws	6-No. 8 screws	6-No. 8 screws
> 1219 to 2438	4-No. 8 screws	4-No. 8 screws	4-No. 8 screws	6-No. 8 screws	8-No. 8 screws	8-No. 8 screws
> 2438 to 3657	4-No. 8 screws	6-No. 8 screws	6-No. 8 screws	8-No. 8 screws	10-No. 8 screws	12-No. 8 screws
> 3657 to 4876	4-No. 8 screws	6-No. 8 screws	8-No. 8 screws	10-No. 8 screws	12-No. 8 screws	14-No. 8 screws

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm= 0.03937 inch , 1 mm= 0.00328 foot = , 1 m/s= 2.2 mile per hour , 1 N= 0.22 pound .

- a. All screw sizes shown are minimum.
- b. For headers located on the first floor of a two-story building or the first or second floor of a three-story building, the total number of screws is permitted to be reduced by 2 screws, but the total number of screws shall be not less than four.
- c. For roof slopes of 6:12 or greater, the required number of screws shall be permitted to be reduced by half, but the total number of screws shall be not less than four.
- d. Screws can be replaced by an uplift connector that has a capacity of the number of screws multiplied by 36.9 N (164 pounds).

**TABLE R603.8
HEAD AND SILL TRACK SPAN**

ULTIMATE WIND SPEED AND EXPOSURE CATEGORY (m/s)		ALLOWABLE HEAD AND SILL TRACK SPAN ^{a, b, c} (mm)					
		TRACK DESIGNATION ^d					
B	C	350T125-33	350T125-43	350T125-54	550T125-33	550T125-43	550T125-54
51	—	1750	2050	2800	2200	2750	3750
53	—	1650	1950	2700	2150	2650	3650
58	51	1450	1750	2350	1850	2350	3200
< 62	53	1400	1650	2250	1800	2250	3050
—	58	1300	1550	2100	1650	2050	2850
—	< 62	1200	1450	1950	1550	1950	2650

For Inch Pound Units 1 mm = 39.37 mil, 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1m/s= 2.2 mile per hour, 1 MPa = 0.145 ksi = 145 psi.

- Deflection limit: $L/240$.
- Head and sill track spans are based on components and cladding wind pressures and 1,220 mm (48-inch) tributary span.
- For openings less than 1,220 mm (4 feet) in height that have both a head track and sill track, the spans are permitted to be multiplied by 1.75. For openings less than or equal to 1,830 mm (6 feet) in height that have both a head track and a sill track, the spans are permitted to be multiplied by a factor of 1.5.
- Minimum Grade 227.5 MPa (33 ksi) steel shall be used for 0.838 mm and 1.092 mm (33 mil and 43 mil) thicknesses. Minimum Grade 344.75 MPa (50 ksi) steel shall be used for 1.372 and 1.727 mm (54 and 68 mil) thicknesses.

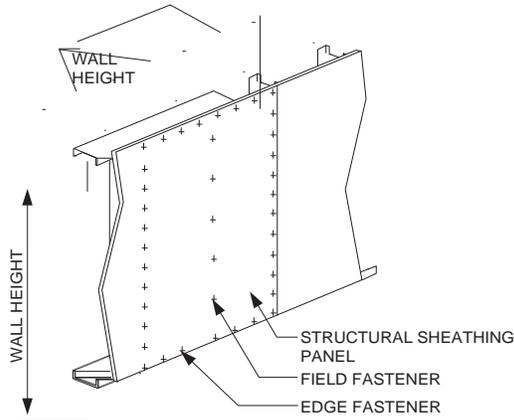


FIGURE R603.9
STRUCTURAL SHEATHING FASTENING PATTERN

R603.9.1 Sheathing materials. Structural sheathing panels shall consist of minimum 11 mm ($\frac{7}{16}$ -inch)-thick oriented strand board or 12 mm ($\frac{15}{32}$ -inch)-thick plywood.

R603.9.2 Determination of minimum length of full-height sheathing. The minimum length of full-height sheathing on each *braced wall line* shall be determined by multiplying the length of the *braced wall line* by the percentage obtained from Table R603.9.2(1) and by the plan aspect-ratio adjustment factors obtained from Table R603.9.2(2). The minimum length of full-height sheathing shall be not less than 20 percent of the *braced wall line* length.

To be considered full-height sheathing, structural sheathing shall extend from the bottom to the top of the wall without interruption by openings. Only sheathed, full-height wall sections, uninterrupted by openings, which are not less than 1,220 mm (48 inches) wide, shall be counted toward meeting the minimum percentages in Table R603.9.2(1). In addition, structural sheathing shall comply with all of the following requirements:

1. Be installed with the long dimension parallel to the stud framing and shall cover the full vertical height of wall from the bottom of the bottom track to the top of the top track of each *story*. Installing the long dimension perpendicular to the stud framing or using shorter segments shall be permitted provided that the horizontal joint is blocked as described in Item 2.
2. Be blocked where the long dimension is installed perpendicular to the stud framing. Blocking shall be not less than 0.84 mm (33 mil) thickness. Each horizontal structural sheathing panel shall be fastened with No. 8 screws spaced at 150 mm (6 inches) on center to the blocking at the joint.
3. Be applied to each end (corners) of each of the exterior walls with a minimum 1,220 mm (48-inch)-wide panel.

Exception: Where stone or masonry veneer is installed, the required length of full-height sheathing and overturning anchorage required shall be determined in accordance with Section R603.9.5.

R603.9.2.1 Full height sheathing. The minimum percentage of full-height structural sheathing shall be multiplied by 1.10 for 2,743 mm (9-foot)-high walls and multiplied by 1.20 for 3,050 mm (10-foot)-high walls.

R603.9.2.2 Full-height sheathing in lowest story. In the lowest *story* of a *dwelling*, multiplying the percentage of full-height sheathing required in Table R603.9.2(1) by 0.6 shall be permitted where hold-down anchors are provided in accordance with Section R603.9.4.2.

R603.9.3 Structural sheathing fastening. Edges and interior areas of structural sheathing panels shall be fastened to framing members and tracks in accordance with Figure R603.9 and Table R603.3.2(1). Screws for attachment of structural sheathing panels shall be bugle-head, flat-head, or similar head style with a minimum head diameter of 8 mm (0.29 inch).

For continuously sheathed *braced wall lines* using wood structural panels installed with No. 8 screws spaced 100 mm (4 inches) on center at all panel edges and 305 mm (12 inches) on center on intermediate framing members, the following shall apply:

1. Multiplying the percentages of full-height sheathing in Table R603.9.2(1) by 0.72 shall be permitted.
2. For bottom track attached to foundations or framing below, the bottom track anchor or screw connection spacing in Tables R505.3.1(1) and R603.3.1 shall be multiplied by two-thirds.

R603.9.4 Uplift connection requirements. Uplift connections shall be provided in accordance with this section.

R603.9.4.1 Ultimate design wind speeds greater than 130 mph. Where ultimate design wind speeds exceed 58 m/s (130 miles per hour), Exposure Category C walls shall be provided with direct uplift connections in accordance with AISI S230, Section E13.3, and AISI S230, Section F8.2, as required for 63 m/s (140 miles per hour), Exposure Category C.

R603.9.4.2 Hold-down anchor. Where the percentage of full-height sheathing is adjusted in accordance with Section R603.9.2.2, a hold-down anchor, with a strength of 19 kN (4,300 pounds), shall be provided at each end of each full-height sheathed wall section used to meet the minimum percent sheathing requirements of Section R603.9.2. Hold-down anchors shall be attached to back-to-back studs; structural sheathing panels shall have edge fastening to the studs, in accordance with Section R603.9.3 and AISI S230, Table E11-1.

A single hold-down anchor, installed in accordance with Figure R603.9.4.2, shall be permitted at the corners of buildings.

R603.9.5 Structural sheathing for stone and masonry veneer. Where stone and masonry veneer are installed in accordance with Section R703.8, the length of full-height sheathing for exterior and interior wall lines backing or perpendicular to and laterally supporting walls with veneer shall comply with this section.

TABLE R603.9.2(1)
MINIMUM PERCENTAGE OF FULL-HEIGHT STRUCTURAL SHEATHING ON INTERIOR WALLS^{a, b}

WALL SUPPORTING	ROOF SLOPE	ULTIMATE WIND SPEED AND SITE EXPOSURE (m/s)					
		51 B	53 B	58 B	< 62 B	< 58 C	< 62 C
				51 C	53 C		
Roof and ceiling only (one story or top floor of two- or three-story building)	3:12	9	11	11	13	17	20
	6:12	13	15	17	22	28	35
	9:12	23	27	29	33	53	59
	12:12	32	39	40	44	70	76
One story, roof and ceiling (first floor of a two-story building or second floor of a three-story building)	3:12	26	32	34	39	53	67
	6:12	27	33	34	44	61	75
	9:12	38	45	46	61	78	92
	12:12	43	53	57	72	106	116
Two stories, roof and ceiling (first floor of a three-story building)	3:12	43	53	57	64	89	113
	6:12	41	51	51	67	95	114
	9:12	53	63	63	89	104	126
	12:12	54	67	74	100	142	157

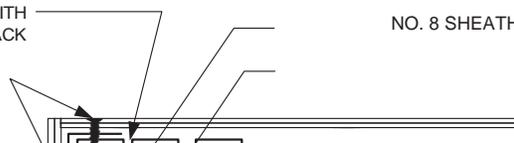
For Inch Pound Units: 1 m/s = 2.2 mph.

1. Linear interpolation is permitted.
2. For hip-roofed homes the minimum percentage of full-height sheathing, based on wind, is permitted to be multiplied by a factor of 0.95 for roof slopes not exceeding 7:12 and a factor of 0.9 for roof slopes greater than 7:12.

TABLE R603.9.2(2)
FULL-HEIGHT SHEATHING LENGTH ADJUSTMENT FACTORS

PLAN ASPECT RATIO	LENGTH ADJUSTMENT FACTORS	
	Short wall	Long wall
1:1	1.0	1.0
1.5:1	1.5	0.67
2:1	2.0	0.50
3:1	3.0	0.33
4:1	4.0	0.25

DOUBLE STUDS BACK-TO-BACK WITH
 OUTSIDE STUD CAPPED WITH TRACK



NO. 8 SHEATHING ATTACHMENT SCREWS AS REQUIRED

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NO. 8 SCREWS ATTACHING
TRACK TO STUD AT 205
mm. O.C. EACH FLANGE

DOUBLE ROW OF NO. 8 SCREWS
AT 305 mm O.C.

HOLD DOWN AS REQUIRED BY
SECTION R603.9.4

PLYWOOD, OSB OR GWB
SHEATHING PER SHEARWALL
REQUIREMENTS

INSIDE FACE
WALLBOARD BACKING STUDS

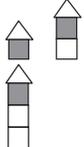
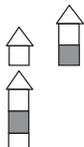
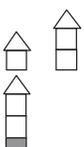
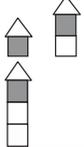
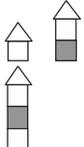
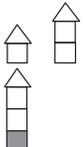
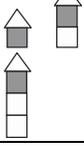
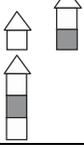
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INSIDE FACE

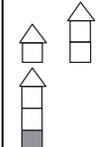
For Inch Pound Units: 1
mm = 0.03937 inch.

**FIGURE R603.9.4.2
CORNER STUD HOLD-DOWN DETAIL**

TABLE R603.9.5(1)
REQUIRED LENGTH OF FULL-HEIGHT SHEATHING AND ASSOCIATED OVERTURNING ANCHORAGE FOR WALLS SUPPORTING WALLS WITH STONE OR MASONRY VENEER AND USING 33-MIL COLD-FORMED STEEL FRAMING AND 150 mm SCREW SPACING ON THE PERIMETER OF EACH PANEL OF STRUCTURAL SHEATHING. There are no Seismic Design Categories (SDC) A, B or C in Jamaica. SDC for Jamaica are D₁, D₂ and E.

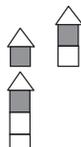
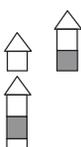
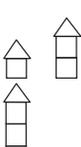
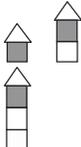
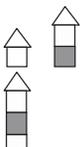
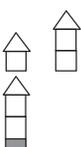
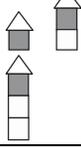
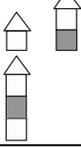
SEISMIC DESIGN CATEGORY	STORY	BRACED WALL LINE LENGTH (mm)						SINGLE-STORY HOLD-DOWN FORCE (N)	CUMULATIVE HOLD-DOWN FORCE (N)
		3050	6096	9144	12192	15240	18288		
		Minimum total length of braced wall panels required along each braced wall line (mm)							
D ₀		1000	1450	1850	2250	2650	3100	14946	—
		1600	2650	3650	4700	5750	6750	14946	29892
		2250	3850	5450	7150	8750	10400	14946	44838
D ₁		1250	1750	2250	2800	3300	3850	14946	—
		2000	3050	4550	5800	7100	8350	14946	29892
		2750	3250	6850	8850	10850	12850	14946	44838
D ₂		1750	2500	3250	3950	4700	5450	14946	—
		2800	4600	6450	8200	10050	11850	14946	29892

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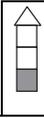
	3850	6750	9600	12450	15350	18200	14946	44838
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For Inch Pound Units : 1 mm = 39.mil = 0.0254 mm, 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 N = 0.22 pound-force.

TABLE R603.9.5(2)
REQUIRED LENGTH OF FULL-HEIGHT SHEATHING AND ASSOCIATED OVERTURNING ANCHORAGE FOR WALLS SUPPORTING WALLS WITH STONE OR MASONRY VENEER AND USING 43-MIL COLD-FORMED STEEL FRAMING AND 150 mm SCREW SPACING ON THE PERIMETER OF EACH PANEL OF STRUCTURAL SHEATHING. Not applicable.

SEISMIC DESIGN CATEGORY	STORY	BRACED WALL LINE LENGTH (mm)						SINGLE-STORY HOLD-DOWN FORCE (N)	CUMULATIVE HOLD-DOWN FORCE (N)
		3050	6096	9144	12192	15240	18288		
		Minimum total length of braced wall panels required along each braced wall line (mm)							
D ₀		850	12192	1550	1900	2250	2650	17614	—
		1350	2250	3100	3950	4850	5750	17614	35229
		1850	3250	4650	6050	7450	8850	17614	52844
D ₁		1050	1500	1950	2350	2850	3250	17614	—
		1700	2750	3850	4950	6050	7100	17614	35229
		2350	4050	5800	7500	9250	10950	17614	52844
D ₂		1500	2100	2750	3350	3950	4600	17614	—
		2350	3950	5450	6750	8500	10050	17614	35229
		3200	5750	8150	10550	13000	15450	17614	52844

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For Inch Pound Units: 1 mil = 0.0254 mm, 1 mm= 0.03937 inch , 1 mm= 0.00328 foot , 1 N= 0.22 pound-force .

TABLE R603.9.5(3)

REQUIRED LENGTH OF FULL-HEIGHT SHEATHING AND ASSOCIATED OVERTURNING ANCHORAGE FOR WALLS SUPPORTING WALLS WITH STONE OR MASONRY VENEER AND USING 33-MIL COLD-FORMED STEEL FRAMING AND 102 mm SCREW SPACING ON THE PERIMETER OF EACH PANEL OF STRUCTURAL SHEATHING Not applicable

TABLE R603.9.5(4)

REQUIRED LENGTH OF FULL-HEIGHT SHEATHING AND ASSOCIATED OVERTURNING ANCHORAGE FOR WALLS SUPPORTING WALLS WITH STONE OR MASONRY VENEER AND USING 43-MIL COLD-FORMED STEEL FRAMING AND 102 mm SCREW SPACING ON THE PERIMETER OF EACH PANEL OF STRUCTURAL SHEATHING. Not applicable.

R603.9.5.1 Seismic Design Category C.

In Seismic Design Category C, the length of structural sheathing for walls supporting one *story*, roof and ceiling shall be the greater of the amounts required by Section R603.9.2, except Section R603.9.2.2 shall be permitted.

R603.9.5.2 Seismic Design Categories D₀, D₁ and D₂.

In Seismic Design Categories D₀, D₁ and D₂, the required length of structural sheathing and overturning anchorage shall be determined in accordance with Tables R603.9.5(1), R603.9.5(2), R603.9.5(3), and R603.9.5(4). Overturning anchorage shall be installed on the doubled studs at the end of each full-height wall segment.

SECTION R604 WOOD STRUCTURAL PANELS

R604.1 Identification and grade. Wood structural panels shall conform to DOC PS 1, DOC PS 2 or ANSI/APA PRP 210, CSA O325 or CSA O437. Panels shall be identified by a grade mark or certificate of inspection issued by an *approved* agency.

R604.2 Allowable spans. The maximum allowable spans for wood structural panel wall sheathing shall not exceed the values set forth in Table R602.3(3).

R604.3 Installation. Wood structural panel wall sheathing shall be attached to framing in accordance with Table R602.3(1) or R602.3(3).

SECTION R605 PARTICLEBOARD

R605.1 Identification and grade. Particleboard shall conform to ANSI A208.1 and shall be so identified by a grade mark or certificate of inspection issued by an *approved* agency. Particleboard shall comply with the grades specified in Table R602.3(4).

SECTION R606 GENERAL MASONRY CONSTRUCTION

R606.1 General. Masonry construction shall be designed and constructed in accordance with the provisions of this section, TMS 402, TMS 403, or TMS 404.

R606.1.1 Professional registration not required. Where the empirical design provisions of Appendix A of TMS 402, the provisions of TMS 403, or the provisions of this section are used to design masonry, project drawings, typical details and specifications they shall bear the seal of the architect or engineer or stamp of the licensed building practitioner responsible for design, unless specifically exempt by the Building Act or any of its Regulations.

R606.2 Masonry construction materials.

R606.2.1 Concrete masonry units. Concrete masonry units shall conform to the following standards: ASTM C55 for concrete brick; ASTM C73 for calcium silicate face brick; ASTM C90 for load-bearing concrete masonry units; ASTM C744 for prefaced concrete and calcium sili-

cate masonry units; or ASTM C1634 for concrete facing brick. Alternatively, where an equivalent BSJ standard exists for a concrete masonry product, it shall be substituted for the ASTM standard certified product if the local product is certified by the National Certification Body of Jamaica (NCBJ) or the product manufacturer is accredited for its production by the Jamaica National Agency for Accreditation (JANAAC) for producing the product or the product is certified or its manufacturer is accredited by an overseas certifying or accrediting body recognized by the BSJ.

R606.2.2 Clay or shale masonry units. Clay or shale masonry units shall conform to the following standards: ASTM C34 for structural clay *load-bearing wall* tile; ASTM C56 for structural clay nonload-bearing wall tile; ASTM C62 for building brick (solid masonry units made from clay or shale); ASTM C126 for ceramic-glazed structural clay facing tile, facing brick and solid masonry units; ASTM C212 for structural clay facing tile; ASTM C216 for facing brick (solid masonry units made from clay or shale); ASTM C652 for hollow brick (hollow masonry units made from clay or shale); ASTM C1088 for solid units of thin veneer brick; or ASTM C1405 for glazed brick (single-fired solid brick units).

Exception: Structural clay tile for nonstructural use in fireproofing of structural members and in wall furring shall not be required to meet the compressive strength specifications. The fire-resistance rating shall be determined in accordance with ASTM E119 or UL 263 and shall comply with the requirements of Section R302.

R606.2.3 AAC masonry. AAC masonry units shall conform to ASTM C1691 and ASTM C1693 for the strength class specified.

R606.2.4 Stone masonry units. Stone masonry units shall conform to the following standards: ASTM C503 for marble building stone (exterior); ASTM C568 for limestone building stone; ASTM C615 for granite building stone;

ASTM C616 for sandstone building stone; or ASTM C629 for slate building stone.

R606.2.5 Architectural cast stone. Architectural cast stone shall conform to ASTM C1364.

R606.2.6 Adhered manufactured stone masonry veneer units. Adhered manufactured stone masonry veneer units shall conform to ASTM C1670.

R606.2.7 Second-hand units. Second-hand masonry units shall not be reused unless they conform to the requirements of new units. The units shall be of whole, sound materials and free from cracks and other defects that will interfere with proper laying or use. Old mortar shall be cleaned from the unit before reuse.

R606.2.8 Mortar. Except for mortars listed in Sections R606.2.9, R606.2.10 and R606.2.11, mortar for use in masonry construction shall meet the proportion specifications of Table R606.2.8 or the property specifications of ASTM C270. The type of mortar shall be in accordance with Sections R606.2.8.1, R606.2.8.2 and R606.2.8.3.

R606.2.8.1 Foundation walls. Mortar for masonry foundation walls constructed as set forth in Tables R404.1.1(1) through R404.1.1(4) shall be Type M or S mortar.

R606.2.8.2 Masonry in Seismic Design Categories A, B and C. Mortar for masonry serving as the lateral force-resisting system in Seismic Design Categories A, B and C shall be Type M, S or N mortar. There are no Seismic Design Categories (SDC) A, B or C in Jamaica. SDC for Jamaica are D₁, D₂ and E as shown by Figure R301.2(2).

TABLE R606.2.8
MORTAR PROPORTIONS^{a, b}

		PROPORTIONS BY VOLUME (cementitious materials)								
		PROPORTION BY VOLUME [cementitious materials] (m ³)								
MORTAR	TYPE	Portland cement or blended cement (m ³)	Mortar cement			Masonry cement			Hydrated lime ^c or lime putty	Aggregate ratio (measured in damp, loose conditions) (m ³)
			M	S	N	M	S	N		
Cement-lime	M	0.0283	—	—	—	—	—	—	0.007075	Not less than 0.06367 and not more than 3 times the sum of separate volumes of lime, if used, and cement
	S	0.0283	—	—	—	—	—	over 0.007075 to 0.01415		
	N	0.0283	—	—	—	—	—	over 0.01415 to 0.035375		
	O	0.0283	—	—	—	—	—	over 0.035375 to 0.07075		
Mortar cement	M	0.0283	—	—	0.0238	—	—	—	—	
	M	—	0.0283	—	—	—	—	—		
	S	0.01415	—	—	0.0238	—	—	—		
	S	—	—	0.0238	—	—	—	—		
	N	—	—	—	0.0238	—	—	—		

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	O	—	—	—	0.0238	—	—	—	
Masonry cement	M	0.0283	—	—	—	—	—	0.0238	—
	M	—	—	—	—	0.0238	—	—	
	S	0.01415	—	—	—	—	—	0.0238	
	S	—	—	—	—	—	0.0238	—	
	N	—	—	—	—	—	—	0.0238	
	O	—	—	—	—	—	—	0.0238	

For Inch Pound Units: 1 m³ = 35.336 cubic foot, 1 kg = 2.20 pound.

1. For the purpose of these specifications, the weight of 0.0283 m³ (1 cubic foot) of the respective materials shall be considered to be as follows:

Portland cement	42.68 kg (94 pounds)	Masonry cement	Weight printed on bag
Mortar cement	Weight printed on bag	Hydrated lime	18.16 kg (40 pounds)
Lime putty (Quicklime)	36.32 kg (80 pounds)	Sand, damp and loose	36.32 kg (80 pounds) of dry sand

2. Two air-entraining materials shall not be combined in mortar.
3. Hydrated lime conforming to the requirements of ASTM C207.

R606.2.8.3 Masonry in Seismic Design Categories D₀, D₁ and D₂. Mortar for masonry serving as the lateral-force-resisting system in Seismic Design Categories D₀, D₁ and D₂ shall be Type M or S Portland cement-lime or mortar cement and the local blend of Section R606.2.8.3.1.

R606.2.8.3.1 Local masonry blend. In addition to mortars Type M or S Portland cement-lime and mortar cement the local mortar blend comprising 42 kg (1 bag) of Portland cement to 0.056 m³ (1 wheelbarrow) of wash sand to 0.084 m³ (1½ wheelbarrows) of fine aggregate and to approximately 18 Litres of water shall be permitted for areas of Jamaica beyond 3 kilometers (2 miles) from the seashore.

For areas within 3 kilometers (2 miles) of the sea, the permissible mortar blend shall be 42 kg (1 bag) of Portland cement to 0.056 m³ (1 wheelbarrow) of wash sand to 0.056 m³ (1 wheelbarrow) of fine aggregate and to approximately 15 Litres of water. Hand mixing of the local mortar blend shall be permitted although machine mixing is preferred. Whatever is used to generate the mix the mortar constituents shall be mixed until there are no visible areas of unmixed materials and the colour of the mix is uniform throughout.

R606.2.9 Surface-bonding mortar. Surface-bonding mortar shall comply with ASTM C887. Surface bonding of concrete masonry units shall comply with ASTM C946 except for the local surface-bonding mortars outlined in this section. The following two local surface-bonding mortars shall be permitted for use:

- a. Roughcast mortar mix nominally 9 mm (¾ inch) thick is used for the waterproofing, leveling and plumbing of walls. This mix shall have constituents ratio of 42 kg (1 bag) of Portland cement to 0.056 m³ (1 wheelbarrow) of wash sand to 0.056 m³ (1 wheelbarrow) of fine aggregate and to approximately 15 Litres of water. The wall to which roughcast mortar is to be applied shall first be fitted with thickness and plumb markers and painted with a mortar bonding agent. The mortar shall then be flashed-on in one or more courses to just above the thickness level markers and a long straight edge spanning at least two thickness markers used to gently scrape off the mortar above the thickness markers to produce a level and plumbed surface.
- b. Rendering mortar mix nominally no more than 3 mm (⅛ inch) thick is used for the finishing of walls and adding to the waterproofing. This mix shall have constituents' ratio of 42 kg (1 bag) of Portland cement to 0.056 m³ (1 wheelbarrow) of fine wash sand and to approximately 15 Litres of water. The mortar shall be applied to the wall with a trowel and smooth out with a float.

R606.2.10 Mortar for AAC masonry. Thin-bed mortar for AAC masonry shall comply with Article 2.1 C.1 of TMS 602. Mortar used for the leveling courses of AAC masonry shall comply with Article 2.1 C.2 of TMS 602.

R606.2.11 Mortar for adhered masonry veneer. Mortar for use with adhered

masonry veneer shall conform to ASTM C270 Type S or Type N or shall comply with ANSI A118.4 for latex-modified Portland cement mortar.

R606.2.12 Grout. Grout shall consist of cementitious material and aggregate in accordance with ASTM C476 or the proportion specifications of Table R606.2.12. Type M or Type S mortar to which sufficient water has been added to produce pouring consistency shall be permitted to be used as grout as well as the local mortar blend comprising 42 kg (1 bag) of Portland cement to 0.056 m³ (1 wheelbarrow) of wash sand to 0.084 m³ (1½ wheelbarrows) of fine aggregate and approximately 18 Litres of water shall be permitted.

R606.2.13 Metal reinforcement and accessories. Metal reinforcement and accessories shall conform to Article 2.4 of TMS 602.

R606.3 Construction requirements.

R606.3.1 Bed and head joints. Unless otherwise required or indicated on the project drawings, head and bed joints shall be 9.5 mm (⅜ inch) thick, except that the thickness of the bed joint of the starting course placed over foundations shall be not less than 6.35 mm (¼ inch) and not more than 19 mm (¾ inch). Mortar joint thickness for load-bearing masonry shall be within the following tolerances from the specified dimensions:

1. Bed joint: + 3.2 mm (⅛ inch).
2. Head joint: - 6.35 mm (¼ inch), + 9.5 mm (⅜ inch).
3. Collar joints: - 6.35 mm (¼ inch), + 9.5 mm (⅜ inch).

R606.3.2 Masonry unit placement. The mortar shall be sufficiently plastic and units shall be placed with sufficient pressure to extrude mortar from the joint and produce a

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tight joint. Deep furrowing of bed joints that produces voids shall not be permitted. Any units disturbed to the extent that initial bond is broken after initial placement shall be removed and relaid in fresh mortar. Surfaces to be in contact with mortar shall be clean and free of deleterious materials.

R606.3.2.1 Solid masonry. *Solid masonry* units shall be laid with full head and bed joints and all interior vertical joints that are designed to receive mortar shall be filled.

R606.3.2.2 Hollow masonry. For hollow masonry units such as concrete blocks, head and bed joints shall be filled solidly with mortar for a distance in from the face of the unit not less than the thickness of the face shell.

R606.3.3 Installation of wall ties. The installation of wall ties shall be as follows:

1. The ends of wall ties shall be embedded in mortar joints. Wall ties shall have not less than 16 mm (⁵/₈-inch) mortar coverage from the exposed face.

2. Wall ties shall not be bent after being embedded in grout or mortar.
3. For solid masonry units, solid grouted hollow units, or hollow units in anchored masonry veneer, wall ties shall be embedded in mortar bed not less than 38 mm (1¹/₂ inches).
4. For hollow masonry units in other than anchored masonry veneer, wall ties shall engage outer face shells by not less than 12.5 mm (¹/₂ inch).

R606.3.4 Protection for reinforcement. Reinforcement bars shall be completely embedded in mortar or grout. Joint reinforcement embedded in horizontal mortar joints shall not have less than 16 mm (⁵/₈-inch) mortar coverage from the exposed face. Other reinforcement shall have a minimum coverage of one bar diameter over all bars, but not less than 19 mm (³/₄ inch), except where exposed to weather or soil, in which case the minimum coverage shall be 51 mm (2 inches).

R606.3.4.1 Corrosion protection. Minimum corrosion protection of joint reinforcement, anchor ties and wire fabric for use in masonry wall construction shall conform to Table R606.3.4.1.

**TABLE R606.2.12
GROUT PROPORTIONS BY VOLUME FOR MASONRY CONSTRUCTION**

TYPE	PORTLAND CEMENT OR BLENDED CEMENT SLAG CEMENT	HYDRATED LIME OR LIME PUTTY	AGGREGATE MEASURED IN A DAMP, LOOSE CONDITION	
			Fine	Coarse
Fine	1	0 to 1/10	2 ¹ / ₄ to 3 times the sum of the volume of the cementitious materials	—
Coarse	1	0 to 1/10	2 ¹ / ₄ to 3 times the sum of the volume of the cementitious materials	1 to 2 times the sum of the volumes of the cementitious materials

**TABLE R606.3.4.1
MINIMUM CORROSION PROTECTION**

MASONRY METAL ACCESSORY	STANDARD
Joint reinforcement, interior walls	ASTM A641, Class 1
Wire ties or anchors in exterior walls completely embedded in mortar or grout	ASTM A641, Class 3
Wire ties or anchors in exterior walls not completely embedded in mortar or grout	ASTM A153, Class B-2
Joint reinforcement in exterior walls or interior walls exposed to moist environment	ASTM A153, Class B-2
Sheet metal ties or anchors exposed to weather	ASTM A153, Class B-2
Sheet metal ties or anchors completely embedded in mortar or grout	ASTM A653, Coating Designation G60
Stainless steel hardware for any exposure	ASTM A167, Type 304

R606.3.5 Grouting requirements.

R606.3.5.1 Grout placement. Grout shall be a plastic mix suitable for pumping without segregation of the constituents and shall be mixed thoroughly. Grout shall be placed by pumping or by an approved alternate method and shall be placed before any initial set of the concrete occurs and not more than 1½ hours after water has been added. Grout shall be consolidated by puddling or mechanical vibrating during placing and reconsolidated after excess moisture has been absorbed but before plasticity is lost. Grout shall not be pumped through aluminum pipes.

Maximum pour heights and the minimum dimensions of spaces provided for grout placement shall conform to Table R606.3.5.1. Grout shall be poured in lifts with a maximum height of 2438 mm (8 feet). Where a total grout pour exceeds 2438 mm (8 feet) in height, the grout shall be placed in lifts not exceeding 1,626 mm (64 inches) and special inspection during grouting shall be required. If the work is stopped for 1 hour or longer, the horizontal construction joints shall be formed by

stopping all tiers at the same elevation and with the grout 25 mm (1 inch) below the top.

R606.3.5.2 Cleanouts. Provisions shall be made for cleaning the space to be grouted. Mortar that projects more than 125 mm (½ inch) into the grout space and any other foreign matter shall be removed from the grout space prior to inspection and grouting. Where required by the *building official*, cleanouts shall be provided in the bottom course of masonry for each grout pour where the grout pour height exceeds 1626 mm (64 inches). In solid grouted masonry, cleanouts shall be spaced horizontally not more than 815 mm (32 inches) on center. The cleanouts shall be sealed before grouting and after inspection.

R606.3.5.3 Construction. Requirements for grouted masonry construction shall be as follows:

1. Masonry shall be built to preserve the unobstructed vertical continuity of the cells or spaces to be filled. In partially grouted construction, cross webs forming cells to be filled shall be full-bedded in mortar to prevent leakage of grout. Head and end joints shall be solidly filled with mortar for a distance in from the face of the wall or unit not less than the thickness of the longitudinal face shells.
2. Vertical reinforcement shall be held in position at top and bottom and at intervals not exceeding 200 diameters of the reinforcement.
3. Cells containing reinforcement shall be filled solidly with grout.
4. The thickness of grout or mortar between masonry units and reinforcement shall be not less than 6.35 mm (¼ inch), except that 6.35 mm (¼-inch) bars shall be permitted to be laid in horizontal mortar joints not less than 12.5 mm (½ inch) thick, and steel wire reinforcement shall be permitted to be laid in horizontal mortar joints not less than twice the thickness of the wire diameter.

**TABLE R606.3.5.1
GROUT SPACE DIMENSIONS AND POUR HEIGHTS**

GROUT TYPE	GROUT POUR MAXIMUM HEIGHT (mm)	MINIMUM WIDTH OF GROUT SPACES ^{a, b} (mm)	MINIMUM GROUT ^{b, c} SPACE DIMENSIONS FOR GROUTING CELLS OF HOLLOW UNITS (mm × mm)
Fine	305	19	38 × 51
	1524	51	51 × 76
	3657	63.5	63.5 × 76
	7315	76	76 × 76
Coarse	305	38	38 × 76
	1524	51	63.5 × 76
	3657	63.5	76 × 76
	7315	76	76 × 102

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot.

a. For grouting between masonry wythes.

b. Grout space dimension is the clear dimension between any masonry protrusion and shall be increased by the horizontal projection of the diameters of the horizontal bars within the cross section of the grout space.

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- c. Area of vertical reinforcement shall not exceed 6 percent of the area of the grout space.

R606.3.6 Grouted multiple-wythe masonry. Grouted multiple-wythe masonry shall conform to all the requirements specified in Section R606.3.5 and the requirements of this section.

R606.3.6.1 Bonding of backup wythe. Where all interior vertical spaces are filled with grout in multiple-wythe construction, masonry headers shall not be permitted. Metal wall ties shall be used in accordance with Section R606.13.2 to prevent spreading of the wythes and to maintain the vertical alignment of the wall. Wall ties shall be installed in accordance with Section R606.13.2 where the backup wythe in multiple-wythe construction is fully grouted.

R606.3.6.2 Grout barriers. Vertical grout barriers or dams shall be built of *solid masonry* across the grout space the entire height of the wall to control the flow of the grout horizontally. Grout barriers shall be not more than 7,620 mm (25 feet) apart. The grouting of any section of a wall between control barriers shall be completed in one day without interruptions greater than 1 hour.

R606.3.7 Masonry bonding pattern. Masonry laid in running and stack bond shall conform to Sections R606.3.7.1 and R606.3.7.2.

R606.3.7.1 Masonry laid in running bond. In each wythe of masonry laid in running bond, head joints in successive courses shall be offset by not less than one-fourth the unit length, or the masonry walls shall be reinforced longitudinally as required in Section R606.3.7.2.

R606.3.7.2 Masonry laid in stack bond. Where unit masonry is laid with less head joint offset than in Section R606.3.7.1, the minimum area of horizontal reinforcement placed in mortar bed joints or in bond beams spaced not more than 1,220 mm (48 inches) apart shall be 0.0007 times the vertical cross-sectional area of the wall.

R606.4 Thickness of masonry. The nominal thickness of masonry walls shall conform to the requirements of Sections R606.4.1 through R606.4.4.

R606.4.1 Minimum thickness. The minimum thickness of masonry load-bearing walls supporting one or more storeys shall be 205 mm (8 inches) using hollow concrete blocks with all spaces (vertical cores cavity, pockets) filled with mortar. The minimum thickness of nonload-bearing internal partition walls shall be 100 mm with alternate vertical cores filled with mortar. *Solid masonry* walls of one-story dwellings and garages shall be not less than 150 mm (6 inches) in thickness where not greater than 2,750 mm (9 feet) in height, provided that where gable construction is used, an additional 1,830 mm (6 feet) is permitted to the peak of the gable if a ring (bond, belt) beam is used to separate the gable section of the wall from the normal section. Masonry walls shall be laterally supported in both the horizontal and vertical directions at intervals as required by Section R606.6.4. Wall stiffeners and belt (bond, ring) beams as shown in Figure R606.4.1 shall be used to provide the vertical and horizontal lateral support.

R606.4.2 Rubble stone masonry wall. The minimum thickness of rough, random or

coursed rubble stone masonry walls shall be 405 mm (16 inches). Wall stiffeners and belt (bond, ring) beams as shown in Figure R606.4.1 shall be used to provide the vertical and horizontal lateral support.

R606.4.3 Change in thickness. Where walls of masonry of hollow units or masonry-bonded hollow walls are decreased in thickness at the boundary of storeys, a belt (ring, bond) beam shall be provided into which the walls above and below are structurally tied. The solid masonry or hollow masonry wall below shall have all spaces filled with mortar or grout to form a solid structure that transmit the loads from face shells or wythes above to those below.

R606.4.4 Parapet walls. Unreinforced solid masonry parapet walls shall be not less than 205 mm (8 inches) thick and their height shall not exceed four times their thickness. Unreinforced hollow unit masonry parapet walls shall be not less than 205 mm (8 inches) thick, and their height shall not exceed three times their thickness. Masonry parapet walls in areas subject to wind loads of 1.44 kPa (30 pounds per square foot) located in Seismic Design Category D₀, D₁ or D₂, or on townhouses in Seismic Design Category C shall be reinforced in accordance with Section R606.12.

R606.5 Corbeled masonry. Corbeled masonry shall be in accordance with Sections R606.5.1 through R606.5.3.

R606.5.1 Units. *Solid masonry* units or hollow masonry units filled with mortar or grout shall be used for corbeling.

R606.5.2 Corbel projection. The maximum projection of one unit shall not exceed one-half the height of the unit or one-third the thickness at right angles to the wall. The maximum corbeled projection beyond the face of the wall shall not exceed:

1. One-half of the wall thickness for multiple-wythe walls bonded by mortar or grout and wall reinforcement ties or masonry headers.
2. One-half the wythe thickness for single wythe walls, masonry-bonded hollow walls, multiple-wythe walls with open collar joints and veneer walls all having reinforcement ties.

R606.5.3 Corbeled masonry supporting floor or roof-framing members. Where corbeled masonry is used to support floor or roof-framing members, the top course of the corbel shall be a header course or the top course bed joint shall have reinforcement ties to the vertical wall.

R606.6 Support conditions. Bearing and support conditions shall be in accordance with Sections R606.6.1 through R606.6.4.

R606.6.1 Bearing on support. Each masonry wythe shall be supported by not less than two-thirds of the wythe thickness.

R606.6.2 Support at foundation. Cavity wall or masonry veneer construction shall be permitted to be supported on an 205 mm (8-inch) foundation wall, provided the 205 mm (8-inch) wall is corbeled to the width of the wall system above with masonry constructed of solid masonry units or hollow masonry

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units filled with mortar or grout. The total horizontal projection of the corbel shall not exceed 51 mm (2 inches) with individual corbels projecting not more than one-third the

thickness of the masonry unit or one-half the height of the unit. The hollow space behind the corbeled masonry shall be filled with mortar or grout.

centres shall be 1,850 mm (6 feet).

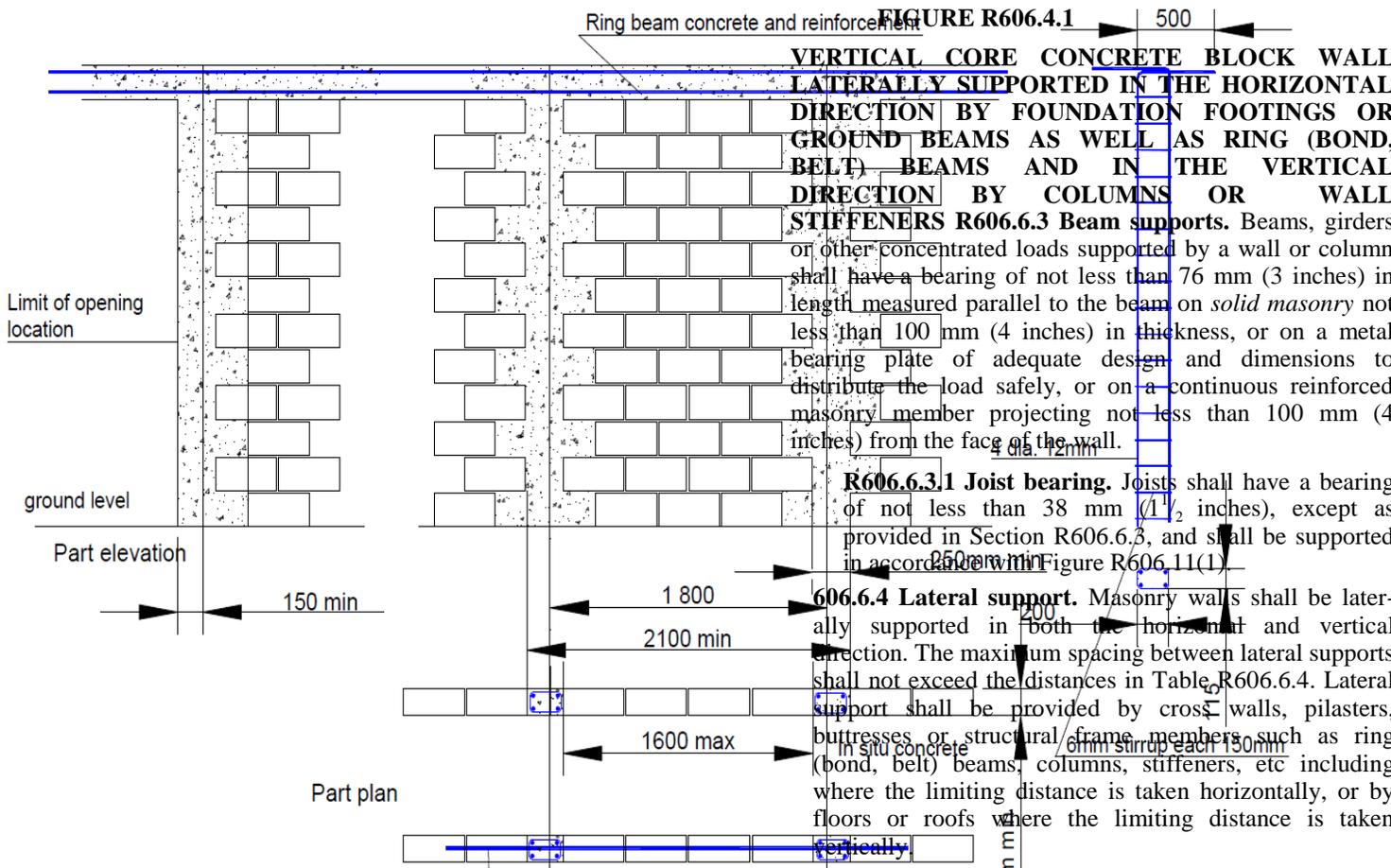


FIGURE R606.4.1
VERTICAL CORE CONCRETE BLOCK WALL
LATERALLY SUPPORTED IN THE HORIZONTAL
DIRECTION BY FOUNDATION FOOTINGS OR
GROUND BEAMS AS WELL AS RING (BOND,
BELT) BEAMS AND IN THE VERTICAL
DIRECTION BY COLUMNS OR WALL
STIFFENERS
R606.6.3 Beam supports. Beams, girders or other concentrated loads supported by a wall or column shall have a bearing of not less than 76 mm (3 inches) in length measured parallel to the beam on solid masonry not less than 100 mm (4 inches) in thickness, or on a metal bearing plate of adequate design and dimensions to distribute the load safely, or on a continuous reinforced masonry member projecting not less than 100 mm (4 inches) from the face of the wall.

R606.6.3.1 Joist bearing. Joists shall have a bearing of not less than 38 mm (1½ inches), except as provided in Section R606.6.3, and shall be supported in accordance with Figure R606.11(1).

R606.6.4 Lateral support. Masonry walls shall be laterally supported in both the horizontal and vertical direction. The maximum spacing between lateral supports shall not exceed the distances in Table R606.6.4. Lateral support shall be provided by cross walls, pilasters, buttresses or structural frame members such as ring (bond, belt) beams, columns, stiffeners, etc including in situ concrete 6mm stirrup each 150mm vertically.

TABLE R606.6.4
SPACING OF LATERAL SUPPORT FOR MASONRY WALLS

CONSTRUCTION	MAXIMUM WALL LENGTH TO THICKNESS OR WALL HEIGHT TO THICKNESS ^{a, b}
Bearing walls:	
Solid or solid grouted	16
All other	14
Nonbearing walls:	
Exterior	14
Interior	18

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.00328 foot.
 a. Except for cavity walls and cantilevered walls, the thickness of a wall shall be its nominal thickness measured perpendicular to the face of the wall. For cavity walls, the thickness shall be determined as the sum of the nominal thicknesses of the individual wythes. For cantilever walls, except for parapets, the ratio of height to nominal thickness shall not exceed 6 for solid masonry, or 4 for hollow masonry. For parapets, see Section R606.4.4.
 b. An additional unsupported height of 1830 mm (6 feet) is permitted for gable end walls.

R606.6.4.1 Horizontal lateral support. Lateral support in the horizontal direction provided by intersecting masonry walls shall be provided by one of the methods in Section R606.6.4.1.1 or R606.6.4.1.2 and the appropriate reinforced poured-in-place

Notes

- a. The horizontal direction reinforcement bar supports for nonload-bearing wall shall pass through all wall stiffeners or columns except for the end of wall stiffeners against an opening with or without door where the horizontal reinforcement bars shall terminate with a concrete coverage of 50 mm (2 inches).
- b. The vertical direction reinforcement bar supports for nonload-bearing partition walls shall be anchored in the foundation footing or ground beam, suspended floor slabs, bond (ring, belt) beam or roof as applicable and shown in this figure.
- c. The width of all stiffeners and ring (bond, belt) beams shall be exactly the thickness of the finished wall they support.
- d. The nominal distance between wall stiffeners

concrete wall stiffener column of Figure R606.4.1 and Figure 606.4.1.1.

R606.6.4.1.1 Bonding pattern. Fifty percent of the units at the intersection shall be laid in an overlapping masonry bonding pattern, with alternate units having a bearing of not less than 76 mm (3 inches) on the unit below in addition to installation of the appropriate reinforced poured-in-place concrete wall stiffener column at . See Figure R606,4.1.1 for the overlapping masonry bonding pattern and intersection stiffener column.

R606.6.4.1.2 Metal reinforcement. Interior non-load-bearing walls shall be anchored at their intersections, at vertical intervals of not more than 400 mm (16 inches) with joint reinforcement of not less than a single 12 mm (# 4) horizontal reinforcement bar anchored at 610 mm (24 inches) on centre. Intersecting masonry walls, other than interior nonload-bearing walls, shall be anchored at vertical intervals of not more than 200 mm (8 inches) with joint reinforcement of not less than a single 12 mm (# 4) horizontal reinforcement bar anchored at 400 mm (16 inches) on centre in each direction at the intersection. A wall stiffener column shall be placed at the intersection as shown by Figure R606.4.1.1. Other metal ties, joint reinforcement or anchors, if used, shall be spaced to provide equivalent area and strenght of anchorage to that required by this section.

R606.6.4.2 Vertical lateral support. Vertical lateral support of masonry walls in Seismic Design Category A, B or C shall be provided in accordance with one of the methods in Section R606.6.4.2.1 or R606.6.4.2.2. Note that there are no Seismic Design Categories (SDC) A, B or C in Jamaica. SDC for Jamaica are D₁, D₂ and E as shown by Figure R301.2(2).

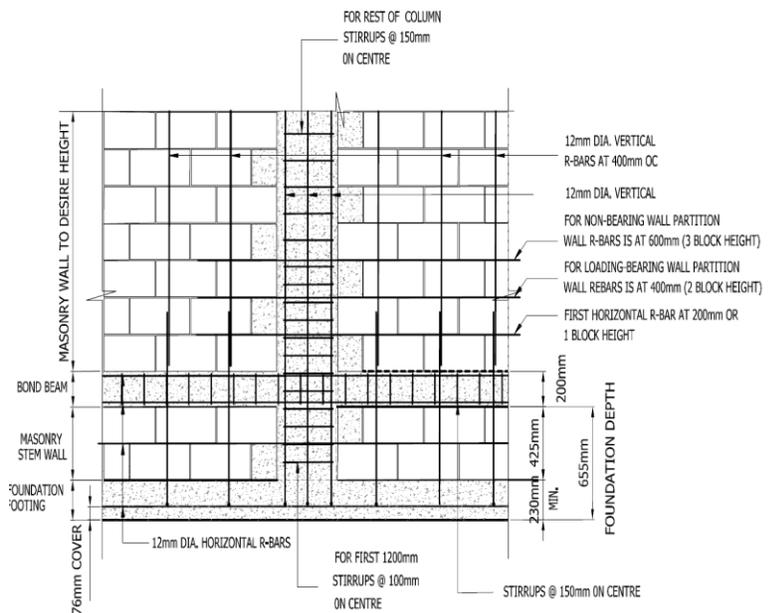
R606.6.4.2.1 Roof structures. Masonry walls shall be piers to support beams and girders, the cellular spaces shall be filled solidly with grout or Type M or S mortar, except that unfilled hollow piers shall be permitted to be used if their unsupported height is not more than four times their least dimension. Where hollow masonry units are solidly filled with grout or Type M, S or N mortar, the allowable compressive stress shall be permitted to be increased as provided in Table R606.9.

R606.7.1 Pier cap. Hollow piers shall be capped with 100 mm (4 inches) of *solid masonry* or concrete, a masonry cap block, or shall have cavities of the top course filled with concrete or grout.

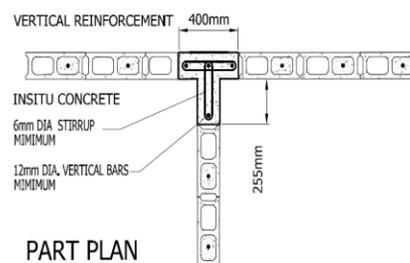
anchored to roof structures with metal strap anchors (*hurricane straps*) spaced in accordance with the manufacturer’s instructions, 12.5 mm (1/2-inch) bolts spaced not more than 1,830 mm (6 feet) on center, or other *approved* anchors. Anchors shall be embedded not less than 405 mm (16 inches) into the masonry, or be hooked or welded to bond beam reinforcement placed not less than 150 mm (6 inches) from the top of the wall.

R606.6.4.2.2 Floor diaphragms. Masonry walls vertical reinforcement bars shall be anchored to floor slabs, foundations or roof structural systems reinforcement bars to prevent joint sparation during seismic events or in the case of lightweight construction to *diaphragm* framing by metal strap anchors spaced in accordance with the manufacturer’s instructions. Vertical reinforcement bars for load-bearing or shear walls shall be anchored at 200 mm (8 inch) on centre (every hallow concrete block core, pocket, cavity) while that for nonload-bearing walls shall be 400 mm on centre (alternate block core, pocket, cavity). For light-weight construction vertical anchorage shall be 12.5 mm (1/2-inch)-diameter bolts spaced at intervals not to exceed 1,830 mm (6 feet) and installed as shown in Figure R606.11(1), or by other *approved* methods.

R606.7 Piers. The unsupported height of masonry piers shall not exceed 10 times their least dimension. Where structural clay tile or hollow concrete masonry units are used for isolated



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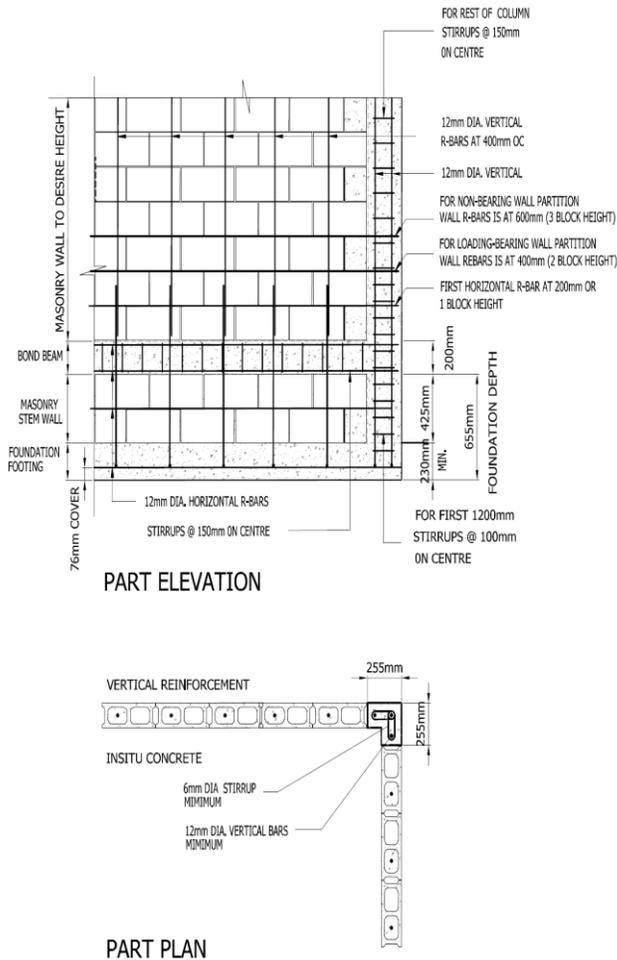


FIGURE R606.4.1.1

WALL CORNER AND INTERSECTION OF VERTICAL CORE CONCRETE BLOCKS

R606.8 Chases. Chases and recesses in vertical core hallow concrete masonry walls shall be avoided by insertion of the requisite conduits or pipes before block pockets or cavities are filled or the wall is taken to a height that makes it difficult for insertion at the exact location required. However, for solid masonry and exceptional conditions where hallow masonry must be chased, such chase shall not be deeper than one-third the wall thickness. The maximum length of a horizontal chase or horizontal projection shall not exceed 1,220 mm (4 feet) and shall have not less than 205 mm (8 inches) of masonry behind the chases and recesses and between adjacent chases or recesses and the jambs of openings. Chases and recesses in masonry walls shall be designed and constructed so as not to reduce the required strength or required fire resistance of the wall and shall not be permitted within the

R606.9 Allowable stresses. Allowable compressive stresses in masonry shall not exceed the values prescribed in Table R606.9. In determining the stresses in masonry, the effects of all loads and conditions of loading and the influence of all forces affecting the design and strength of the several parts shall be taken into account.

R606.9.1 Combined units. In walls or other structural members

required area of a pier. Masonry directly above chases or recesses wider than 305 mm (12 inches) shall be supported on noncombustible lintels. Chases longer than 300 mm (1 foot) horizontally or 610 mm (2 feet) vertically shall be repaired with reinforcement inserted and shall be finished level with the unchased portion of the wall.

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composed of different kinds or grades of units, materials or mortars, the maximum stress shall not exceed the allowable stress for the weakest of the combination of units, materials and mortars of which the member is composed. The net thickness of any facing unit that is used to resist stress shall be not less than 38 mm (1½ inches) .

R606.10 Lintels. Masonry over openings shall be supported by steel lintels, reinforced concrete or masonry lintels or masonry arches, designed to support the load imposed.

TABLE R606.9

ALLOWABLE COMPRESSIVE STRESSES FOR EMPIRICAL DESIGN OF MASONRY

For Inch Pound Units: nits : 1 kPa = 0.145 pound per square inch .

- a. Linear interpolation shall be used for determining allowable stresses for masonry units having compressive strengths that are intermediate between those given in the table.
- b. Gross cross-sectional area shall be calculated on the actual rather than nominal dimensions.
- c. See Section R606.13.
- d. Where floor and roof loads are carried on one wythe, the gross cross-sectional area is that of the wythe under load; if both wythes are loaded, the gross cross-sectional area is that of the wall minus the area of the cavity between the wythes. Walls bonded with metal ties shall be considered as cavity walls unless the collar joints are filled with mortar or grout.

R606.11 Anchorage. Masonry walls shall be anchored to foundation, floors and roof reinforcement systems (footings, ground beams, suspended slabs, bond or belt or ring beams and concrete roofs) in accordance with the details shown in Figure R606.11(1), R606.11(2) or R606.11(3) that are applicable to Jamaica. Wall anchorage at foundations, floors and roofs shall be such as to make joint separation very unlikely during maximum likely seismic events. Footings and foundation stem walls shall be permitted to be considered as points of lateral support.

R606.12 Seismic requirements. The Seismic requirements of this section shall apply to the design of masonry and the construction of masonry building elements located in Seismic Design Category D₀, D₁ and D₂. Townhouses in Seismic Design Category C shall comply with the requirements of Section R606.12.2. These requirements shall not apply to glass unit masonry conforming to Section R610, anchored masonry veneer conforming to Section R703.8 or adhered masonry veneer conforming to Section R703.12.

R606.12.1 General. Masonry structures and masonry elements shall comply with the requirements of Sections R606.12.2 through R606.12.4 based on the seismic design category established in Table R301.2(2). Masonry structures and masonry elements shall comply with the requirements of Section R606.12 and the applicable drawings from Figures R606.11(1), R606.11(2) and R606.11(3) or shall be designed in accordance with TMS 402 or TMS 403.

R606.12.1.1 Floor and roof diaphragm construction. Floor and roof *diaphragms* shall be constructed of wood structural panels attached to wood framing in accordance with Table R602.3(1) or to cold-formed steel floor framing in accordance with Table R505.3.1(2) or to cold-formed steel roof framing in accordance with Table R804.3 or to suspended reinforced concrete floor slabs or concrete roofs. Additionally, sheathing panel edges perpendicular to framing members shall be backed by blocking, and sheathing shall be connected to the blocking with

CONSTRUCTION; COMPRESSIVE STRENGTH OF UNIT, GROSS AREA	ALLOWABLE COMPRESSIVE STRESSES ^a GROSS CROSS-SECTIONAL AREA ^b	
	Type M or S mortar	Type N mortar
Solid masonry of brick and other solid units of clay or shale; sand-lime or concrete brick: 55158 + kPa 31026 kPa 17236 kPa 10342 kPa	350 225 160 115	300 200 140 100
Grouted ^c masonry, of clay or shale; sand-lime or concrete: 31026 + kPa 17236 kPa 10342 kPa	225 160 115	200 140 100
Solid masonry of solid concrete masonry units: 20684 + kPa 13789 kPa 8273 kPa	225 160 115	200 140 100
Masonry of hollow load-bearing units: 13789 + kPa 10342 kPa 6894 kPa 4826 kPa	140 115 75 60	120 100 70 55
Hollow walls (cavity or masonry bonded ^d) solid units: 17236 + kPa 10342 kPa Hollow units	160 115 75	140 100 70
Stone ashlar masonry: Granite Limestone or marble Sandstone or cast stone	720 450 360	640 400 320
Rubble stone masonry: Coarse, rough or random	120	100

gn Categories C, D₀, D₁ and D₂, where the width-to-thickness dimension of the *diaphragm* exceeds 2-to-1, edge spacing of fasteners shall be 100 mm (4 inches) on center.

R606.12.2 Seismic Design Category C. Townhouses located in Seismic Design Category C shall comply with the requirements of this section. [Note that the requirements for Seismic Design Category C does not apply anywhere in Jamaica since it has Seismic Design Categories of D₁ and D₂. Section R606.12.2 is submitted for information purposes only]

R606.12.2.1 Minimum length of wall without

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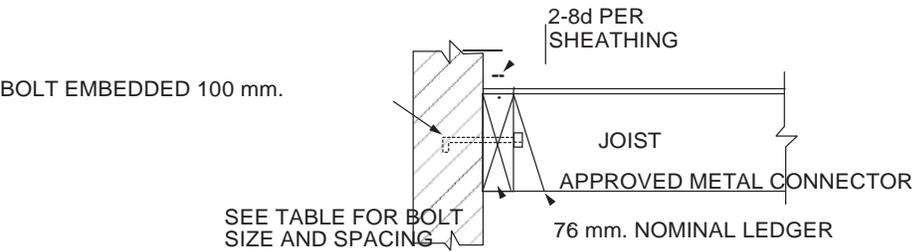
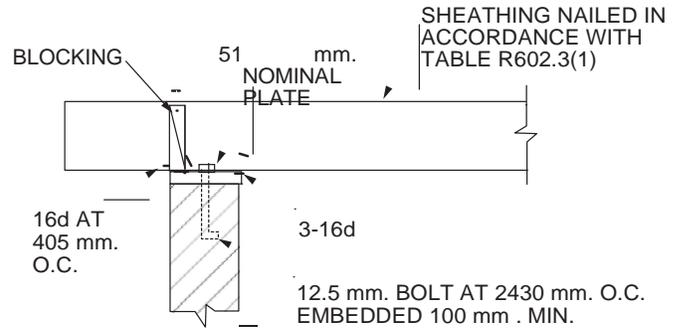
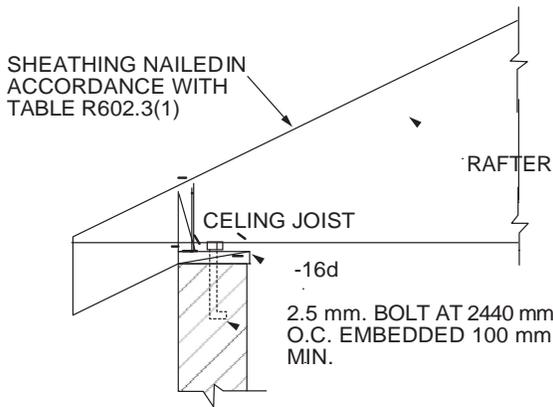
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openings. Table R606.12.2.1 shall be used to determine the minimum required solid wall length without openings at each masonry exterior wall. The provided percentage of solid wall length shall include only those wall segments that are 915 mm (3 feet) or longer. The maximum clear distance between wall segments included in determining the solid wall length shall not exceed 5,486 mm (18 feet). Shear wall segments required to meet the minimum wall length shall be in accordance with Section R606.12.2.2.3.

R606.12.2.2 Design of elements not part of the lateral force-resisting system.

R606.12.2.2.1 Load-bearing frames or columns.

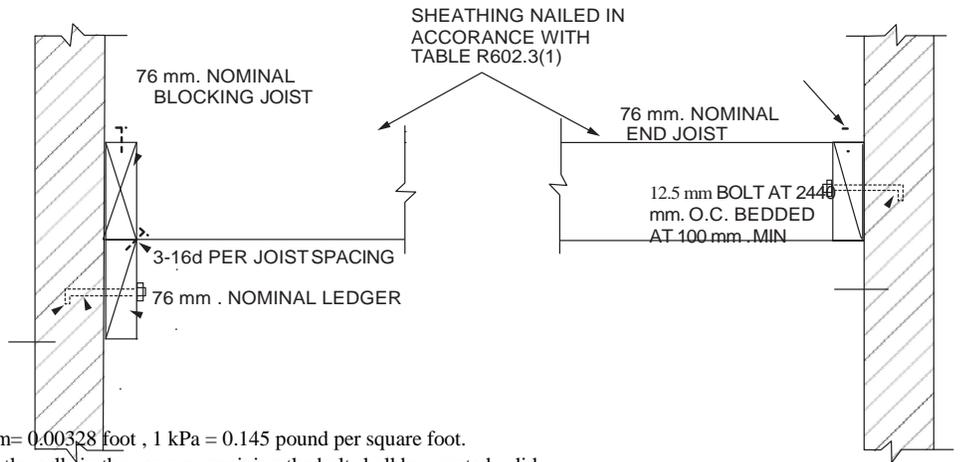
Elements not part of the force-resisting system shall be analyzed to determine their effect on the response of the system. The structural frames or columns shall be adequate for vertical load-carrying capacity and induced moment caused by the design storey drift.



LEDGER BOLT SIZE AND SPACING

JOIST SPAN	BOLT SIZE AND SPACING	
	ROOF	FLOOR
3050 mm.	12.5 mm @ 760 mm. 22 mm @ 1,065 mm.	12.5 mm @ 610 mm. 22 mm @ 838 mm.
3050 – 4572 mm	12.5 mm @ 533 mm. 22 mm @ 760 mm.	12.5 mm @ 405 mm. 22 mm @ 610 mm.
4572 – 6100 mm	12.5 mm @ 380 mm. 22 mm @ 610 mm.	12.5 mm @ 305 mm. 22 mm @ 455 mm.

JOISTS PERPENDICULAR TO WALL
SEE TABLE ABOVE FOR BOLT AND SIZE SPACING

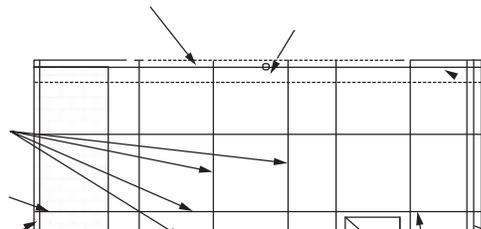


For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm= 0.03937 inch , 1 mm= 0.00328 foot , 1 kPa = 0.145 pound per square foot.

Note: Where bolts are located in hollow masonry, the cells in the courses receiving the bolt shall be grouted solid.

ROOF CONNECTORS AT 1220mm. MAX. O.C.

FIGURE R606.11(1)
ANCHORAGE REQUIREMENTS FOR MASONRY WALLS LOCATED IN SEISMIC DESIGN CATEGORY A, B OR C AND WHERE WIND LOADS ARE LESS THAN 1.44 kPa (30 PSF)



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ROOF

12 mm BARS (MIN.) AT DIAPHRAGMS CONT. THRU C.J.

12 mm BARS AROUND OPENINGS

DETAIL B

12 mm BARS WITHIN 200 mm OF ENDS OF WALLS AND AT CORNERS

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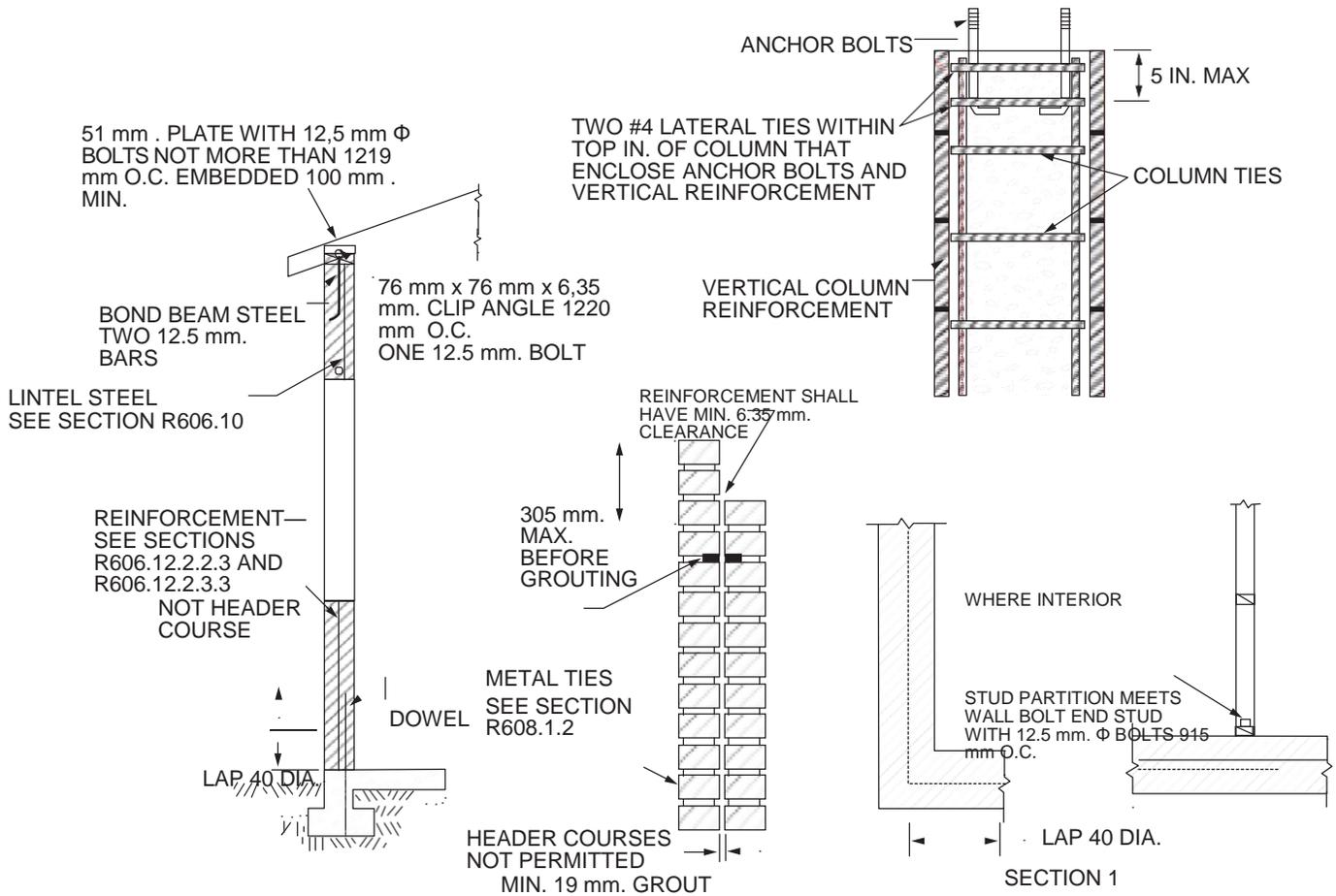
CONTROL JOINT (C.J.)

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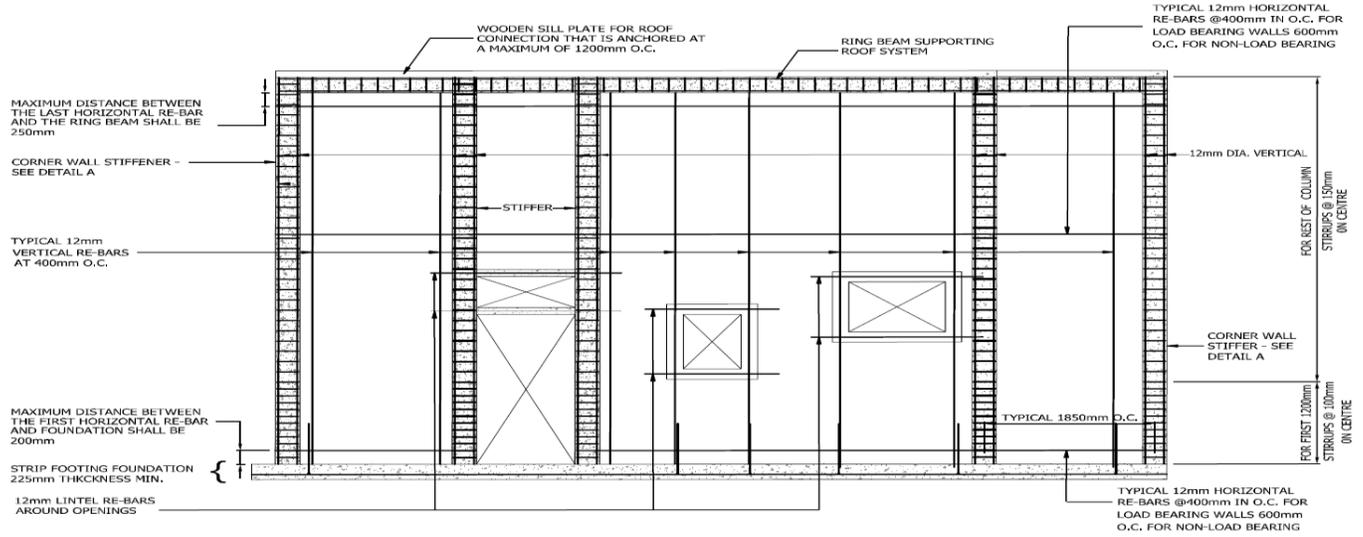
12 mm BARS AT 3050 mm O.C. OR W1.7 JOINT REINFORCED AT 405 mm. O.C.

MINIMUM REINFORCEMENT FOR MASONRY WALLS

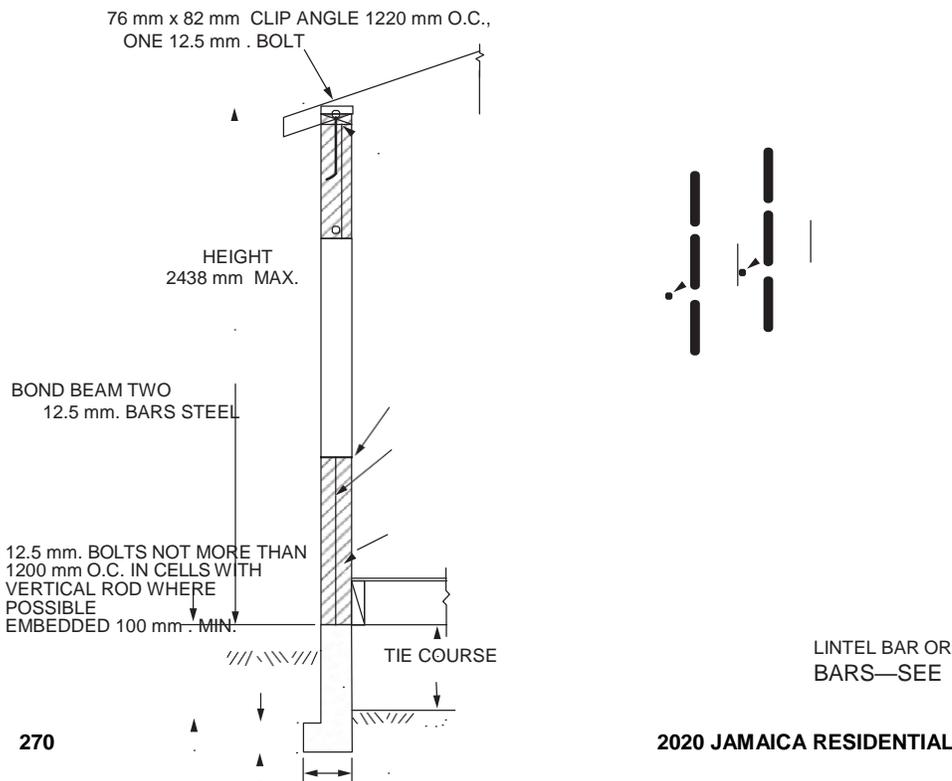


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FIGURE R606.11(2)
REQUIREMENTS FOR REINFORCED GROUTED MASONRY CONSTRUCTION IN SEISMIC DESIGN CATEGORY C [Note that this Seismic Design Category applies to Seismic Design Category D₁ in Jamaica because of Section R606.12.3].



MINIMUM REINFORCEMENT FOR MASONRY WALLS



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REINFORCEMENTS—
SEE SECTIONS
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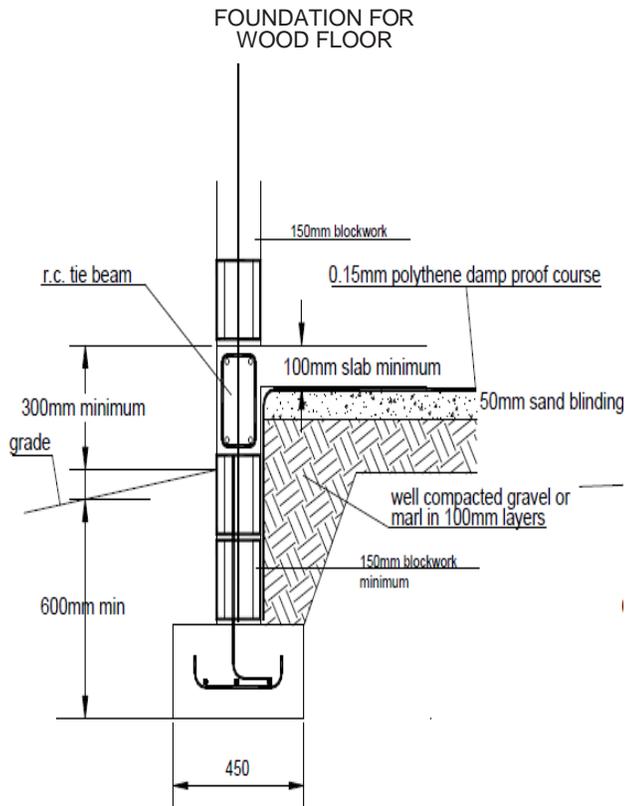
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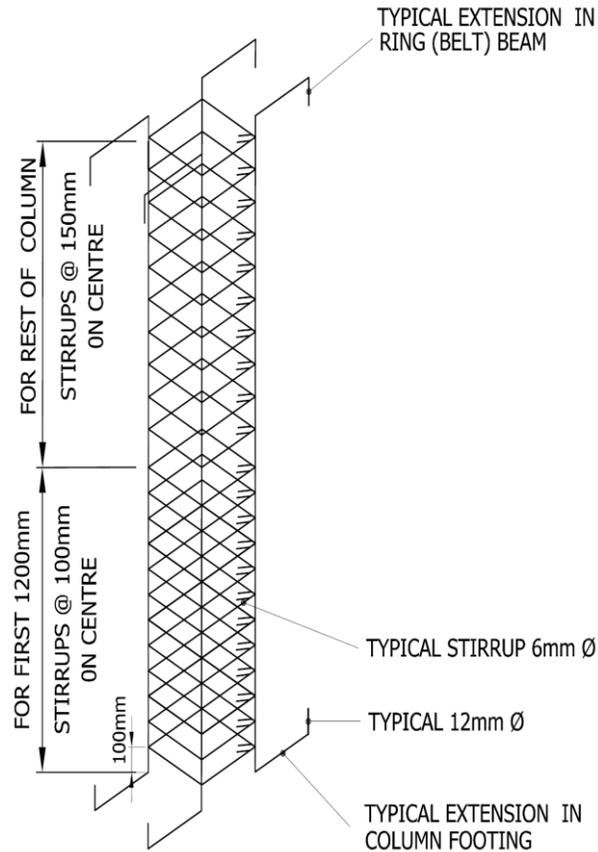
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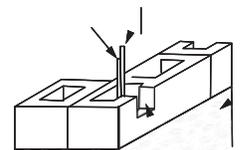
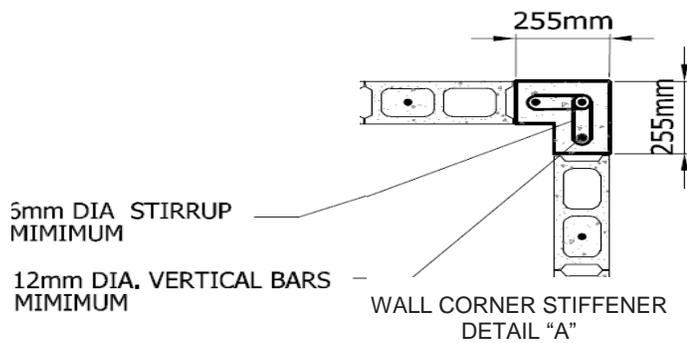
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FOUNDATION
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REINFORCEMENT



For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot.

Note for DETAIL A: A full bed joint must be provided between masonry stem wall and foundation footing. Cells of all masonry stem wall block cavity shall be filled with concrete to the top of the wall. Horizontal bars are to be laid as shown on detail "B." Lintel bars are to be laid as shown on Section C.

FIGURE R606.11(3)
REQUIREMENTS FOR REINFORCED MASONRY CONSTRUCTION IN SEISMIC DESIGN CATEGORY D₀, D₁ OR D₂

TABLE R606.12.2.1
MINIMUM SOLID WALL LENGTH ALONG EXTERIOR WALL LINES

SEISMIC DESIGN CATEGORY	MINIMUM SOLID WALL LENGTH (percent) ^a		
	One story or top story of two story	Wall supporting light-framed second story and roof	Wall supporting masonry second story and roof
Townhouses in C	20	25	35
D ₀ or D ₁	25	NP	NP
D ₂	30	NP	NP

NP = Not Permitted, except with design in accordance with the *Jamaica Building Code*.

a. For all walls, the minimum required length of solid walls shall be based on the table percent multiplied by the dimension, parallel to the wall direction under consideration, of a rectangle inscribing the overall building plan.

R606.12.2.2.2 Masonry partition walls. Masonry partition walls, masonry screen walls, hollow core concrete block walls and other masonry elements shall be designed to resist vertical and lateral loads, including those induced by their own weight, and the design story drift. All joints shall be filled with 1:1:1 mortar.

R606.12.2.2.3 Reinforcement requirements for masonry elements. Masonry elements listed in Section R606.12.2.2 shall be reinforced in both the horizontal and vertical direction as shown in Figure R606.11(3) and in accordance with the following:

1. Horizontal reinforcement. Horizontal joint reinforcement shall consist of not less than one longitudinal 12 mm (# 4) bar spaced not more than 610 mm (24 inches) [every three-block height for vertical core concrete blocks] and running through all stiffeners and columns in the wall panel. See Figure R606.4.1. Horizontal reinforcement shall be provided within 405 mm (16 inches) of the top and bottom of masonry walls.
2. Vertical reinforcement. Vertical reinforcement shall consist of not less than one 12 mm (No. 4) bar spaced not more than 400 mm (16 inches) on centre or every other core of the vertical core concrete block wall. Vertical reinforcement shall be located within

200 mm (8 inches) of the ends of masonry walls which end in a stiffener. All cores with reinforcing bars shall be filled with 1:1:1 mortar.

R606.12.2.3 Design of elements part of the lateral force-resisting system.

R606.12.2.3.1 Connections to masonry shear walls. Connectors shall be provided to transfer forces between masonry walls and horizontal structural elements in accordance with the requirements of Section 4.1.4 of TMS 402 except for the differences required by this section of the code. Connectors shall be designed to transfer horizontal design forces acting either perpendicular or parallel to the wall, but not less than 2920 N/m (200 pounds per linear foot) of wall. The vertical reinforcing bars having a maximum spacing of 200 mm (8 inches) shall be used as the vertical connectors by tying in these vertical reinforcement bars into the foundation or floor slabs or bond (ring, belt) beams or concrete roof as appropriate. Such anchorage mechanisms shall not induce tension stresses perpendicular to grain in ledgers or nailers.

R606.12.2.3.2 Connections to masonry columns. Connectors shall be provided to transfer forces between masonry columns and horizontal structural elements in accordance with the requirements of Section 4.1.4 of TMS 402 and the differences required by this code section. The column's vertical reinforcement bars shall be used as the connectors by taking it at least 610 mm (2 feet) into the horizontal structural element and tying it to the reinforcement of the floor slab or the bond (ring, belt) beam of a top storey or a concrete roof. The tie-in shall be done in a manner that makes joint separation extremely unlikely in the event of a major seismic event. Bolts cast in the tops of columns, shall not be used to create the lateral ties.

R606.12.2.3.3 Minimum reinforcement requirements for masonry shear walls. Vertical reinforcement of not less than one 12 mm diameter (No. 4) bar shall be provided at 200 mm (8 inches) on centre with a stiffener column at each ends of the wall, at all corners and intersections as well as no more than 1,800 mm (6 feet) on centre apart. The stiffener at the end of a wall against an opening with or without a door shall be:

- a. About 205 mm (8 inches) long measured in line with the wall surface,
- b. The full height of the wall,

- c. Structurally tied into the foundation or floor slab or ring (belt, bond) beam or roof as needed to prevent joint separation in major seismic events,
- d. Reinforced by three 16 mm (# 5) vertical bars tied horizontally into an equilateral triangle with 6 mm (# 2) bars at 150 mm on centre.
- e. Installed so that one side of the triangle is

parallel to the thickness of the wall and have a concrete cover of at least 50 mm (2 inches),

- f. Formed and poured from in-situ 1:1:1 concrete.

Stiffeners for corners and intersections shall be sized, positioned and reinforced according to Figure R606.4.1.1

**TABLE R606.12.3.2
MINIMUM DISTRIBUTED WALL REINFORCEMENT FOR BUILDINGS ASSIGNED TO SEISMIC DESIGN CATEGORY D₀ or D₁**

NOMINAL WALL THICKNESS (mm)	MINIMUM SUM OF THE VERTICAL AND HORIZONTAL REINFORCEMENT AREAS ^a (mm ² /m)	MINIMUM REINFORCEMENT AS DISTRIBUTED IN BOTH HORIZONTAL AND VERTICAL DIRECTIONS ^b (mm ² /m)	MINIMUM BAR SIZE FOR REINFORCEMENT SPACED AT 1200 mm (mm)
150	557.2	194	12 (#4)
205	755.4	264.2	16 (#5)
255	953.6	334.4	19 (#6)
305	1,151.8	404.6	19 (#6)

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 m = 0.00328 foot, 1 mm²/m = 0.0004845 square inch per foot.

- a. Based on the minimum reinforcing ratio of 0.0040 times the gross cross-sectional area of the wall.
- b. Based on the minimum reinforcing ratio each direction of 0.00140 times the gross cross-sectional area of the wall.

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Horizontal joint reinforcement shall consist of not less than one longitudinal 12 mm (# 4) bar spaced not more than 400 mm (16 inches) or every two-block height for vertical core concrete blocks. Each horizontal joint reinforcement bar shall run through all stiffeners and columns in the wall panel except for the ones at the wall ends where the bar shall terminate 50 mm (2 inches) from the structure element end. Horizontal reinforcement shall be provided at the bottom and top of wall openings and shall extend:

- a. Not less than 610 mm (24 inches) nor less than 40 bar diameters past the opening;
- b. Continuously at structurally connected roof and floor levels; and
- c. Within 405 mm (16 inches) of the top and bottom of walls.

R606.12.3 Seismic Design Category D₀ or D₁. Structures

in Seismic Design Category D₀ or D₁ shall comply with the requirements of Seismic Design Category C and the additional requirements of this section. AAC masonry shall not be used for the design of masonry elements that are part of the lateral force-resisting system.

R606.12.3.1 Design requirements. Masonry elements other than those covered by Section R606.12.2.2.2 shall be designed in accordance with the requirements of Chapters 1 through 7 and Sections 8.1 and 8.3 of TMS 402, ACI 530/ASCE 5 and shall meet the minimum reinforcement requirements contained in Sections R606.12.3.2 and R606.12.3.2.1. Otherwise, masonry shall be designed in accordance with TMS 403 except that this section's requirements for more substantial reinforcement and extensive tie-in to the structural elements so joint separation is very unlikely in severe seismic events shall be met. Buildings permitted under this code shall have its walls designed to meet all the requirements of this code by *registered building professionals* or *licensed building practitioners*.

Exception: Masonry walls limited to one *story* in height and 2,743 mm (9 feet) between lateral supports need not be designed provided they comply with the minimum reinforcement and concrete requirements of Sections R606.12.3.2 and R606.12.3.2.1.

R606.12.3.2 Minimum reinforcement requirements for masonry walls. Masonry walls including those covered by Section R606.12.2.2.3 shall be reinforced in both the vertical and horizontal direction. The sum of the cross-sectional area of horizontal and vertical reinforcement shall be not less than 0.0040 times the gross cross-sectional area of the wall, and the minimum cross-

anchored around vertical reinforcing bars with a standard hook.

R606.12.3.3 Minimum reinforcement for masonry columns. Lateral ties in masonry columns shall be spaced at 100 mm (4 inches) on centre for the first 1200 mm (4 feet) above the column footing and afterwards at 150 mm (6 inches) on centre for the rest of the column height where 12 mm (# 4) -diameter vertical reinforcement bars are used. Where larger size vertical reinforcement bars are used, the 150 mm (6 inches) on centre spacing of lateral ties may be increased but such increase spacing shall not be more than 205 mm (8 inches) on center and the bar size shall be not less than 6.35 mm ($\frac{1}{4}^{\frac{3}{8}}$ -inch) diameter. Lateral ties shall be embedded in grout with a minimum cover of 25 mm (1 inch).

R606.12.3.4 Material restrictions. Type N mortar or masonry cement shall not be used as part of the lateral force-resisting system.

R606.12.3.5 Lateral tie anchorage. Standard hooks for lateral tie anchorage shall be either a 135-degree (2.4 rad) standard hook or a 180-degree (3.2 rad) standard hook.

R606.12.4 Seismic Design Category D . Structures in

sectional area in each direction shall be not less than 0.00140 times the gross cross-sectional area of the wall. Reinforcement shall be uniformly distributed. Table R606.12.3.2 shows the minimum reinforcing bar sizes required for varying thicknesses of masonry walls. The maximum spacing of vertical reinforcement shall be 400 mm (16 inches) provided that alternate hollow concrete block core (cavity, pocket) are solid grouted and units laid with full head joints . The maximum spacing of horizontal reinforcement shall be 610 mm (24 inches) or every three block height.

R606.12.3.2.1 Shear wall reinforcement requirements. The maximum spacing of vertical and horizontal reinforcement shall be 200 mm (8 inches) and 400 mm (16 inches) respectively.. The minimum cross-sectional area of vertical reinforcement shall be two-third of the required shear reinforcement. Shear reinforcement shall be

Seismic Design Category D_2 shall comply with the requirements of Seismic Design Category D_1 and to the additional requirements of this section.

R606.12.4.1 Design of elements not part of the lateral force-resisting system. Stack bond masonry that is not part of the lateral force-resisting system shall have a horizontal cross-sectional area of reinforcement of not less than 0.0030 times the gross cross-sectional area of masonry. Table R606.12.4.1 shows minimum reinforcing bar sizes for masonry walls. The maximum spacing of horizontal reinforcement shall be 610 mm (24 inches). These elements shall be solidly grouted and shall be constructed of hollow open-end units.

**TABLE R606.12.4.1
MINIMUM REINFORCING FOR STACKED
BONDED MASONRY WALLS IN SEISMIC
DESIGN CATEGORY D_2**

NOMINAL WALL THICKNESS (mm)	MINIMUM BAR SIZE SPACED AT 610 mm
150	12 mm (#4)
205	16 mm (#5)
255	16 mm (#5)
305	19 mm (#6)

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch =.

R606.12.4.2 Design of elements part of the lateral force-resisting system. Stack bond masonry that is part of the lateral force-resisting system shall have a horizontal cross-sectional area of reinforcement of not less than 0.0050 times the gross cross-sectional area of masonry. Table R606.12.4.2 shows minimum reinforcing bar sizes for masonry walls. The maximum spacing of horizontal reinforcement shall be 400 mm (16 inches). These elements shall be solidly grouted and shall be constructed of hollow open-end units

**TABLE R606.12.4.2
MINIMUM REINFORCING FOR STACKED
BONDED MASONRY WALLS IN SEISMIC
DESIGN CATEGORY D_2**

NOMINAL WALL THICKNESS (mm)	MINIMUM BAR SIZE SPACED AT 405 mm
150	12 mm (#4)
205	16 mm (#5)
255	16 mm (#5)
305	19 mm (#6)

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch.

R606.13 Multiple-wythe masonry. The facing and backing of multiple-wythe masonry walls shall be bonded in accordance with Section R606.13.1, R606.13.2 or R606.13.3. In cavity walls, neither the facing nor the backing shall be less than 76 mm (3 inches) nominal in thickness and the cavity shall be not more than 100 mm (4 inches) nominal in width. The backing shall not be less than the thickness of the facing.

Exception: Cavities shall be permitted to exceed the 100 mm (4-inch) nominal dimension provided that tie size and tie spacing have been established by calculation.

R606.13.1 Bonding with masonry headers. Bonding with solid or hollow masonry headers shall comply with Sections R606.13.1.1 and R606.13.1.2.

R606.13.1.1 Solid units. Where the facing and backing (adjacent wythes) of *solid masonry* construction are bonded by means of masonry headers, not less than 4 percent of the wall surface of each face shall be composed of headers extending not less than 76 mm (3 inches) into the backing. The distance between adjacent full-length headers shall not exceed 610 mm (24 inches) either vertically or horizontally. In walls in which a single header does not extend through the wall, headers from the opposite sides shall overlap not less than 76 mm (3 inches), or headers from opposite sides shall be covered with another header course overlapping the header below not less than 76 mm (3 inches).

R606.13.1.2 Hollow units. Two or more hollow units shall not be used to make up the thickness of a wall. Where the thickness of a required wall is larger than the standard hollow unit available, the wall shall be constructed from reinforced insitu concrete.

R606.13.2 Bonding with wall ties or joint reinforcement. Bonding with wall ties or joint reinforcement shall comply with Section R606.13.2.1 to R606.13.2.3.

R606.13.2.1 Bonding with wall ties. Bonding with wall ties, except as required by Section R607, where the facing and backing (adjacent wythes) of masonry walls are bonded with 5 mm ($3/16$ -inch)-diameter wall ties embedded in the horizontal mortar joints, there shall be not less than one metal tie for each 0.418 m^2 ($4\frac{1}{2}$ square feet) of wall area. Ties in alternate courses shall be staggered. The maximum vertical distance between ties shall not exceed 610 mm (24 inches), and the maximum horizontal distance shall not exceed 915 mm (36 inches). Rods or ties bent to rectangular shape shall be used with hollow masonry units laid with the cells vertical. In other walls, the ends of ties shall be bent to 90-degree (0.79 rad) angles to provide hooks not less than 51 mm (2 inches) long. Additional bonding ties shall be provided at all openings, spaced not more than 915 mm (3 feet) apart around the perimeter and within 305 mm (12 inches) of the opening.

R606.13.2.2 Bonding with adjustable wall ties. Where the facing and backing (adjacent wythes) of masonry are bonded with adjustable wall ties, there shall be not less

than one tie for each 0.248 m^2 (2.67 square feet) of wall area. Neither the vertical nor the horizontal spacing of the adjustable wall ties shall exceed 610 mm (24 inches). The maximum vertical offset of bed joints from one wythe to the other shall be 32 mm (1.25 inches). The maximum clearance between connecting parts of the ties shall be 2 mm ($1/16$ inch). Where pintle legs are used, ties shall have not less than two 4.75 mm ($3/16$ -inch)-diameter legs.

R606.13.2.3 Bonding with prefabricated joint reinforcement. Where the facing and backing (adjacent wythes) of masonry are bonded with prefabricated joint reinforcement, there shall be not less than one cross wire serving as a tie for each 0.248 m^2 (2.67 square feet) of wall area. The vertical spacing of the joint reinforcement shall not exceed 405 mm (16 inches). Cross wires on prefabricated joint reinforcement shall not be smaller than No. 9 gage. The longitudinal wires shall be embedded in the mortar.

R606.13.3 Bonding with natural or cast stone. Bonding with natural and cast stone shall conform to Sections R606.13.3.1 and R606.13.3.2.

R606.13.3.1 Ashlar masonry. In ashlar masonry, bonder units, uniformly distributed, shall be provided to the extent of not less than 10 percent of the wall area. Such bonder units shall extend not less than 100 mm (4 inches) into the backing wall.

R606.13.3.2 Rubble stone masonry. Rubble stone masonry 610 mm (24 inches) or less in thickness shall have bonder units with a maximum spacing of 915 mm (3 feet) vertically and 915 mm (3 feet)

horizontally, and if the masonry is of greater thickness than 610 mm (24 inches), shall have one bonder unit for each 0.557 m^2 (6 square feet) of wall surface on both sides.

R606.14 Anchored and adhered masonry veneer.

R606.14.1 Anchored veneer. Anchored masonry veneer installed over a backing of wood or cold-formed steel shall meet the requirements of Section R703.8.

R606.14.2 Adhered veneer. Adhered masonry veneer shall be installed in accordance with the requirements of Section R703.12.

R606.15 Concrete beams and columns. Structural framework comprising reinforced concrete beams, columns and suspended slabs of restricted size shall be permitted as part of this code because of the widespread use of this construction system in detached one- and multi-family dwellings, townhouses and small non-residential buildings of 300 m^2 and less. This section outlines the types, sizes, construction approaches allowed for beams and columns and reinforcement requirements while Section R508 outlines the requirements for suspended slabs.

R606.15.1 Beam types and sizes allowed. Beams allowed under this code shall be:

- a. Those linking walls to roof structures and known as bond or belt or ring beams.
- b. Those that are part of a rectangular grid structural network of beams and columns that support a suspended slab. See Figure R606.1.2 for beams in a

structural grid frame with 2-way suspended slab reinforcement.

The minimum depth of bond (ring, belt) beams shall be 300 mm (12 inches) while its width shall be that of the wall it caps and provides lateral support for.

The minimum depth of those beams that are part of a rectangular grid network that support a suspended slab shall be 300 mm (12 inches) and the minimum width shall be 250 mm (10 inches). The maximum span allowed for beams in structural grids under this code is 6,000 mm (20 ft). Beams in nonrectangular grids or longer than 6,000 mm (20 feet) shall be designed by a *registered structural building professional*.

R606.15.1.1 Beam construction approaches. All external walls shall commence on a ground beam while all external and internal walls shall be finished at the top with a reinforced concrete ring (bond, belt) beam. Ground and ring beams shall be not less than 250 mm in depth. Ground, ring and structural framed beams shall all be accurately formed to produce the designed size and the formwork shall be robust in nature, geometrically aligned and immovable under the loads to be experienced in the placement of reinforcement and concrete. Wire ties shall be used to keep reinforcement bars in their correct position during concrete placement while miniature concrete blocks shall be used to obtain the minimum concrete cover of reinalso during concrete placement. Beams in rectangular grid structural network shall be poured

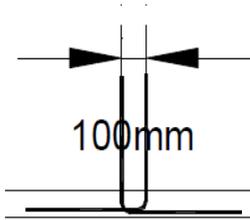
simultaneously with the suspended slab it supports. The concrete used to cast beams shall have a composition ratio of 1:1:1 and shall be sampled at the time of placement. The appropriate number of samples taken shall be crushed immediately after curing days 3, 7, 14 and 28 to determine the concrete strength. The concrete shall reach a crushing strength of 20.685 MPa (3,000 psi) after 28 days of curing and if it does not the cast beam and suspended slab it supports shall be removed and redone with higher strength concrete. Beams for the building types allowed under this code shall be supported by one of the following means:

- a. Entirely by load-bearing walls (shear walls) that get lateral support from reinforced poured-in-place stiffeners columns at wall corners, intersections, terminations at openings with or without doors and at distances 1,850 mm (6.1 feet) on centre. See Figure R606.4.1.1 for the location and details on stiffeners.
- b. Entirely by a structural framework grid comprising foundations, columns and suspended slabs.
- c. A mixture of shear walls, columns and stiffeners. See Figure 508.2 for an example.

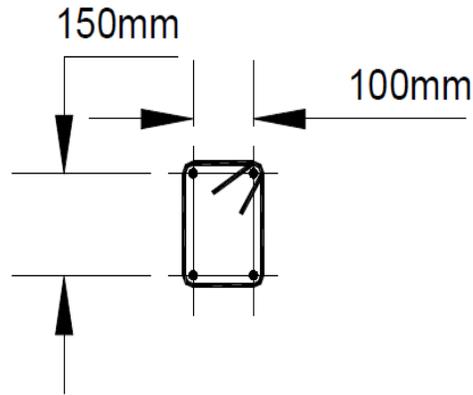
R606.15.1.2 Beam reinforcement requirements. The minimum reinforcement for ring (bond, belt) beam shall be four 12 mm (# 4) diameter bars tied in a rectangular formation with 6 mm (# 2) diameter stirrups placed 300

Ring beam - junction reinforcement

2 x 2 dia 12mm/1m angles



Dia 6mm stirrup details



Ring beam - corner reinforcement

2 x 3 dia 12mm/1m angles

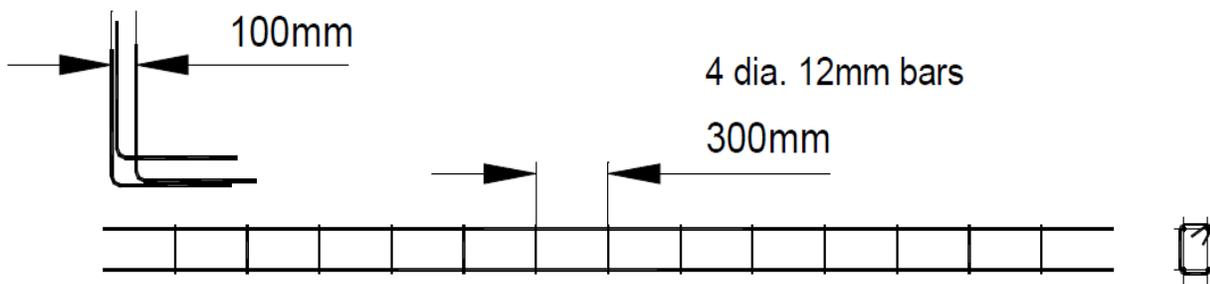


FIGURE R606.15.1.2(1)

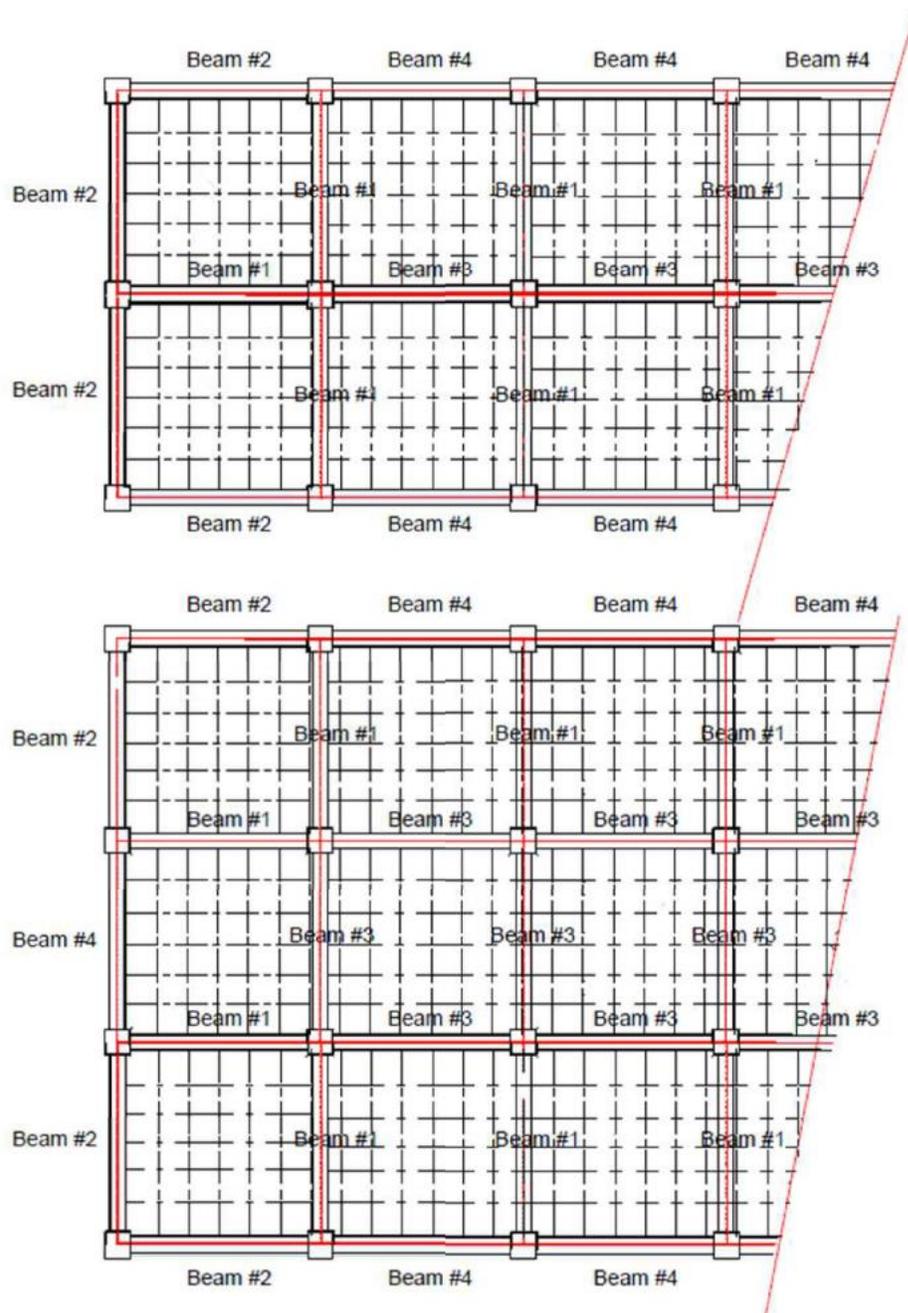
REINFORCEMENT BARS REQUIREMENT FOR STRUCTURAL PERIMETER AND INTERNAL INTERSECTING BEAMS

mm (12 inches) on centre as shown in. The width of the beam shall be the thickness of the wall it caps with concrete coverage of the reinforcement bars being a minimum of 19 mm. For the 100 mm (4 inches) thick wall the outside dimension of the beam reinforcement cage shall be 62 mm (2.4 inches) while that for the 150 mm (6 inches) and 200 mm (8 inches) thick walls shall be 112 mm (4.4 inches) and 162 mm (6.4 inches) respectively. Figure R606.15.1.2 details the reinforcement layout of ring beams on the straight, at a junction and at a corner.

The size and number of reinforcement bars required for beams that are part of a structural grid network shall be as

laid out in Table R606.15.1.2. Beams shall be tied in a rectangular formation similar to ring (bond, belt) beams but bar size and spacing shall differ according to the load to be supported especially from the suspended slab(s). The reinforcement details in Table R606.1.2 shall apply to the beams in the two typical structural grid frames, with 2-way suspended slab reinforcement, of Figure R606.1.2.

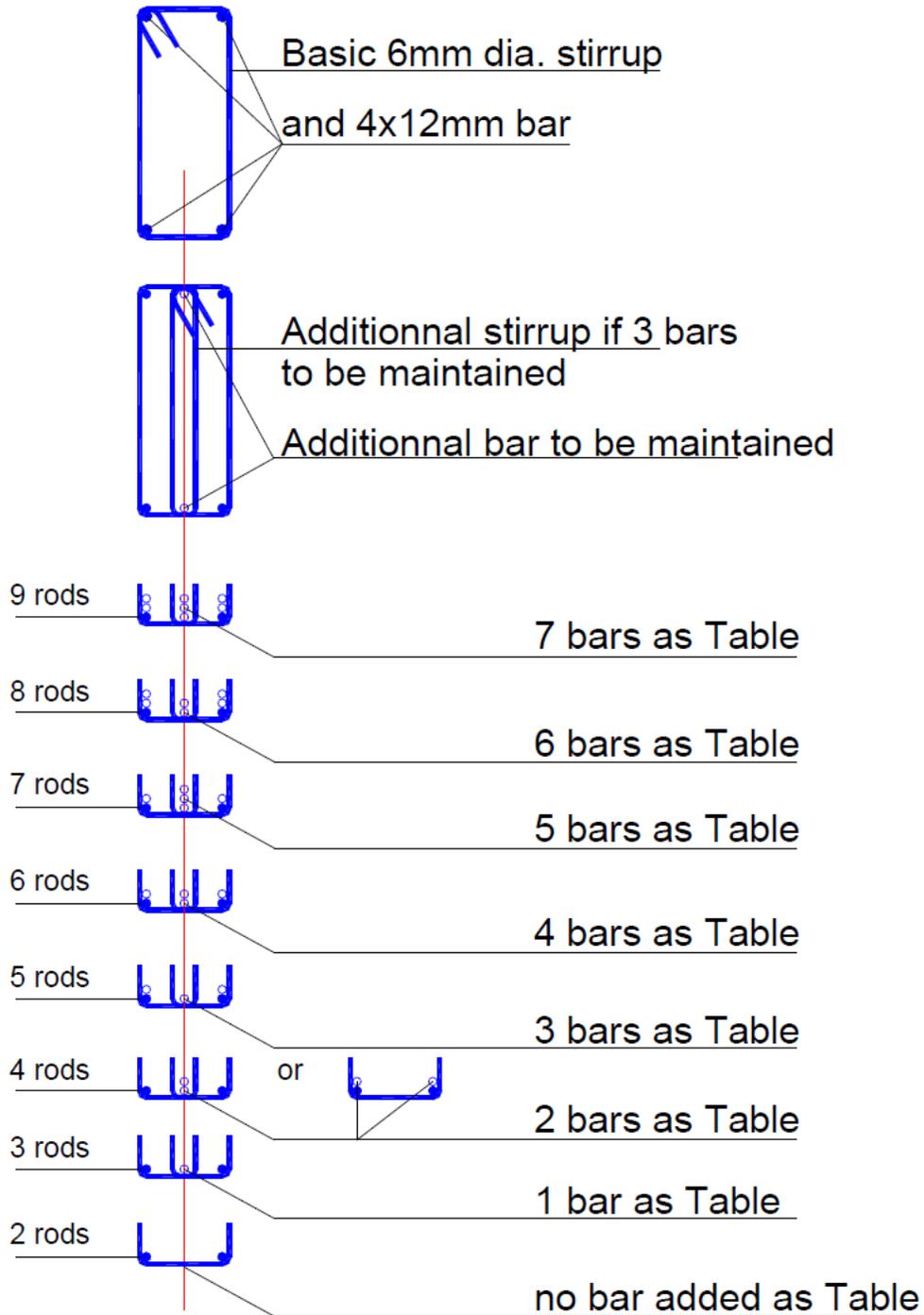
R606.15.2 Column types and sizes allowed. Columns for detached one- and two-family dwellings, townhouses and small non-residential buildings of 300 m² and less shall be either square or round. Square columns that are part of a structural framework shall have a minimum width of 250 mm (10 inches) and minimum depth of 250 mm (10 inches) and height not exceeding 3,050 mm (10 feet) unless designed by a



Notes:

- a. Beams labelled 1, 2, 3 and 4 in Table R606.1.2 are as shown in the above figure.
- b. All size rectangular structural grid frames allowed under this code can be configured from the above beam templates and therefore the beam reinforcement requirement can be determined.
- c. The beam reinforcements specified in Table R606.1.2 applies only to suspended slabs that have 2-way reinforcement. Beam reinforcement for suspended slabs with one way (single direction) reinforcement shall be designed only by a registered structural building professional.

**FIGURE R606.1.2 (A)
IDENTIFICATION AND AND LOCATION FOR ALL BEAMS DETAILED IN TABLE R606.1.2 AND LAID OUT IN THE
DRAWING IMMEDIATELY BELOW**



Notes:

- a. The figures above show how additional reinforcing bars required to resist forces and moments shall be added to the basic rectangular reinforcement cage comprising 4 horizontal bars and a series of vertical perimeter stirrups holding the rectangular shape in place along the full length of the beam.

FIGURE R606.1.2(B)

LAYOUT OF REINFORCEMENT BARS FOR BEAMS OUTLINED IN TABLE R606.1.2 AND IDENTIFIED IN TABLE R606.1.2(A)

TABLE R606.1.2

REINFORCEMENT REQUIREMENTS FOR CONCRETE BEAMS IN STRUCTURAL GRID FRAMEWORK IN WHICH THE SUSPENDED SLAB HAS 2-WAY MILD STEEL REINFORCEMENT

BEAM # 1																			
Live load	Beam maximum span (Metres)	Beam Dimension		Slab Thickness (mm)	Bottom Steel Reinforcement					Top Steel Reinforcement on bearing					Vertical mounted stirrups				
		Width (mm)	Depth (mm)		Bar # 1 (mm)	Number Basic bar	Bar # 2 (mm)	Number of bars	Total Bars Area (mm ²)	Bar # 1 (mm)	Number Basic bar	Bar # 2 (mm)	Number of bars	Total Bars Area (mm ²)	Bar Dia (mm)	No. vert Bar/str	Bar spacing		Total Str Area (mm ²)
																	Min (mm)	Max (mm)	
Residential floor 1.5 kN/m ²	3.00	250	300	100	12	2	16	2	570	12	2	12	1	317	5	2	50	210	23
	4.00	250	400	125	12	2	16	4	902	12	2	16	2	501	5	4	50	250	27
	5.00	350	450	150	12	2	16	7	1,537	12	2	16	4	854	5	4	50	250	33
	6.00																		
Office floor 2.5 kN/m ²	3.00	200	350	100	12	2	16	2	518	12	2	12	1	288	5	2	50	250	20
	4.00	350	400	125	12	2	16	4	1,016	12	2	16	2	565	5	4	50	250	27
	5.00	400	500	150	12	2	16	7	1,540	12	2	16	4	856	5	4	50	250	33
	6.00																		
Storage floor 5.0 kN/m ²	3.00	250	300	100	12	2	12	2	465	12	2	10	1	258	5	2	50	220	19
	4.00	300	400	125	12	2	16	3	856	12	2	12	3	476	5	4	50	250	23
	5.00	400	500	150	12	2	16	6	1,410	12	2	16	3	783	5	4	50	250	30
	6.00																		
Roof 1.0 kN/m ²	3.00	250	300	100	12	2	12	3	542	12	2	10	1	301	5	2	50	220	22
	4.00	300	400	125	12	2	16	3	876	12	2	12	3	264	5	4	50	250	27
	5.00	350	500	150	12	2	16	6	1,376	12	2	16	3	736	5	4	50	250	33
	6.00																		

BEAM # 2																			
Live load	Beam maximum span (Metres)	Beam Dimension		Slab Thickness (mm)	Bottom Steel Reinforcement					Top Steel Reinforcement on bearing					Vertical mounted stirrups				
		Width (mm)	Depth (mm)		Bar # 1 (mm)	Number Basic bar	Bar # 2 (mm)	Number of bars	Total Bars Area (mm ²)	Bar # 1 (mm)	Number Basic bar	Bar # 2 (mm)	Number of bars	Total Bars Area (mm ²)	Bar Dia (mm)	No. vert Bar/str	Bar spacing		Total Str Area (mm ²)
																	Min (mm)	Max (mm)	
Residential floor 1.5 kN/m ²	3.00	150	350	100	12	2	10	2	374	12	2			208	5	2	50	250	20
	4.00	200	400	125	12	2	12	4	670	12	2	12	2	372	5	2	50	250	27
	5.00	250	500	150	12	2	16	4	976	12	2	16	2	542	5	2	50	250	33
	6.00																		
Office floor 2.5 kN/m ²	3.00	150	350	100	12	2	10	2	394	12	2			219	5	2	50	250	20
	4.00	200	400	125	12	2	12	5	712	12	2	12	2	395	5	2	50	250	27
	5.00	250	500	150	12	2	16	4	1,039	12	2	16	2	577	5	4	50	250	33
	6.00																		
Storage floor 5.0 kN/m ²	3.00	150	300	100	12	2	12	1	342	12	2			190	5	2	50	220	19
	4.00	200	400	125	12	2	16	2	593	12	2	12	1	329	5	2	50	250	23
	5.00	250	500	150	12	2	16	4	923	12	2	12	3	513	5	2	50	250	30
	6.00																		
Roof 1.0 kN/m ²	3.00	150	300	100	12	2	12	2	429	12	2	10	1	238	5	2	50	220	22
	4.00	200	400	125	12	2	12	4	650	12	2	10	2	239	5	2	50	250	27
	5.00	250	500	150	12	2	16	4	944	12	2	12	3	524	5	2	50	250	33
	6.00																		

BEAM # 3																			
Live load	Beam maximum span (Metres)	Beam Dimension		Slab Thickness (mm)	Bottom Steel Reinforcement					Top Steel Reinforcement on bearing					Vertical mounted stirrups				
		Width (mm)	Depth (mm)		Bar # 1 (mm)	Number Basic bar	Bar # 2 (mm)	Number of bars	Total Bars Area (mm ²)	Bar # 1 (mm)	Number Basic bar	Bar # 2 (mm)	Number of bars	Total Bars Area (mm ²)	Bar Dia (mm)	No. vert Bar/str	Bar spacing		Total Str Area (mm ²)
																	Min (mm)	Max (mm)	
Residential floor 1.5 kN/m ²	3.00	250	300	100	12	2	12	2	377	12	2	10	2	314	5	2	50	220	22
	4.00	250	400	125	12	2	16	2	601	12	2	12	3	501	5	4	50	250	27
	5.00	350	450	150	12	2	16	4	1,025	12	2	16	3	854	5	4	50	250	33
	6.00																		
Office floor 2.5 kN/m ²	3.00	200	350	100	12	2	12	1	343	12	2	10	1	286	5	2	50	250	20
	4.00	350	400	125	12	2	16	3	677	12	2	12	3	565	5	4	50	250	27
	5.00	400	500	150	12	2	16	4	1,027	12	2	16	3	856	5	4	50	250	33
	6.00																		
Storage floor 5.0 kN/m ²	3.00	250	300	100	12	2	10	1	309	12	2	10	1	257	5	2	50	220	19
	4.00	300	400	125	12	2	12	3	568	12	2	12	2	473	5	4	50	250	23
	5.00	400	500	150	12	2	16	4	940	12	2	16	3	783	5	4	50	250	30
	6.00																		
Roof 1.0 kN/m ²	3.00	250	300	100	12	2	10	2	360	12	2	10	1	300	5	2	50	220	22
	4.00	300	400	125	12	2	12	3	581	12	2	12	3	257	5	4	50	250	27
	5.00	350	500	150	12	2	16	4	884	12	2	16	3	736	5	4	50	250	33
	6.00																		

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BEAM # 4																			
Live load	Beam maximum span (Metres)	Beam Dimension		Slab Thickness	Bottom Steel Reinforcement					Top Steel Reinforcement on bearing					Vertical mounted stirrups				
		Width (mm)	Depth (mm)		Bar # 1	Number	Bar # 2	Number of bars	Total Bars Area	Bar # 1	Number	Bar # 2	Number of bars	Total Bars Area	Bar Dia	No. vert Bar/str	Bar spacing		Total Str Area
					(mm)	(mm)	Basic bar	(mm)	(mm ²)	(mm)	Basic bar	(mm)	(mm ²)	(mm)		Min	Max	(mm ²)	
Residential floor 1.5 kN/m ²	3.00	150	350	100	12	2	10	1	250	12	2			208	5	2	50	250	20
	4.00	200	400	125	12	2	12	3	447	12	2	12	2	372	5	2	50	250	27
	5.00	250	500	150	12	2	16	3	650	12	2	16	2	542	5	4	50	250	33
	6.00																		
Office floor 2.5 kN/m ²	3.00	150	350	100	12	2	12	1	264	12	2			220	5	2	50	250	20
	4.00	200	400	125	12	2	16	2	477	12	2	12	2	398	5	4	50	250	27
	5.00	250	500	150	12	2	16	3	693	12	2	16	2	577	5	4	50	250	33
	6.00																		
Storage floor 5.0 kN/m ²	3.00	150	300	100	12	2			233	12	2			186	5	2	50	220	19
	4.00	200	400	125	12	2													
	5.00	250	500	150	12	2													
	6.00																		
Roof 1.0 kN/m ²	3.00	150	300	100	12	2													
	4.00	200	400	125	12	2													
	5.00	250	500	150	12	2													
	6.00																		

permitted to have size as small as 200 mm by 200 mm (8 inches by 8 inches). Round columns with varying size cross-section that serves more of a decorative purpose shall be permitted to have diameter as low as 200 mm (8 inches). Round columns with the primary purpose of bearing load shall have a minimum dimension of 250 mm (10 inches).

R606.15.2.1 Column construction approaches.

Columns foundation shall be accurately formed on all four sides to produce the designed size. The formwork shall be robust in nature, geometrically aligned and immovable under the loads to be experienced in the placement of reinforcement and concrete. Building services conduits and pipes shall be kept out of structural columns but where this unavoidable a non-structural section shall be built onto the structural section. Columns may be cast in more than one portion to facilitate placement of concrete without air pockets and easier insertion of allowed service conduits and pipes. Columns may be cast in more than one portion to facilitate placement of concrete without air pockets or concrete constituents' separation occurring and easier insertion of allowed service conduits and pipes to avoid post-casting chasing. Wire ties shall be used to secure the position of reinforcement bars in their correct position during the placement of concrete. The concrete used to cast columns shall have a composition ratio of 1:1:1 and it shall be sampled at the time of placement. The appropriate number of samples shall be crushed immediately after curing days 3, 7, 14 and 28 to determine the concrete strength. The concrete shall reach a crushing strength of 20.685 MPa (3,000 psi) after 28 days of curing and if it does not, the columns shall be removed and redone with a higher strength concrete.

R606.15.2.2 Column reinforcement requirements.

The minimum vertical reinforcement bars for:

- Square columns shall be four 12 mm (# 4) diameter with 6 mm (# 2) diameter stirrups placed horizontally at 100 mm (4 inches) on centre for the bottom 1,200 mm (4 feet) then at 150 mm (6 inches) on centre to the top.
- Round columns shall be 5 x 12 mm (# 4) diameter with 6 mm (# 2) diameter stirrups placed horizontally at 100 mm (4 inches) on centre for the bottom 1,200 mm (4 feet) then at 150 mm (6 inches) on centre to the top.

The column's vertical reinforcement bars shall be tied into the foundation footing horizontal reinforcement bars at the bottom and the ring (bond, belt) beam or the structural frame beam at the top in such a manner that makes both joints very unlikely to separate in a major seismic event. The minimum concrete cover for the column's reinforcement bars shall be 40 mm.

SECTION R607 GLASS UNIT MASONRY

R607.1 General. Panels of glass unit masonry shall only be located in nonload-bearing interior walls and shall be constructed in accordance with this section.

Exception: Unit glass masonry may be installed in the external wall(s) of carports, garages and accessory structures.

R607.2 Materials. Hollow glass units shall be partially evacuated and have a minimum average glass face thickness of 4.75 mm (³/₁₆ inch). The surface of units in contact with mortar shall be treated with a polyvinyl butyral coating or latex-based paint. The use of reclaimed units is prohibited.

R607.3 Units. Hollow or solid glass block units shall be standard or thin units.

R607.3.1 Standard units. The specified thickness of standard units shall be not less than 98 mm (3 7/8 inches).

R607.3.2 Thin units. The specified thickness of thin units shall be not less than 79 mm (3 1/8 inches) for hollow units and not less than 76 mm (3 inches) for solid units.

R607.4 Isolated panels. Isolated panels of glass unit masonry shall conform to the requirements of this section.

R607.4.1 Exterior standard-unit panels. The maximum area of each individual standard-unit panel shall be 3.4 m² (36 square feet) where the design wind pressure is 3.35 kPa (70 pounds per square foot). The maximum area of such panels subjected to design wind pressures other than 3.35 kPa (70 pounds per square foot) shall be in accordance with Figure R607.4.1. The maximum panel dimension between structural supports shall be 1,830 mm (6 feet) in width or 1,830 mm (6 feet) in height.

R607.4.2 Exterior thin-unit panels. The maximum area of each individual thin-unit panel shall be 2 m² (21.5 square feet). The maximum dimension between structural supports shall be 1,200 mm (4 feet) in width or 915 mm (3 feet) in height. Thin units shall not be used in applications where the design wind pressure as stated in Table R301.2(2) exceeds 3.35 kPa (70 pounds per square foot).

R607.4.3 Interior panels. The maximum area of each individual standard-unit panel shall be 5.8 m² (62.5 square feet). The maximum area of each thin-unit panel shall be 3.5 m² (37.5 square feet). The maximum dimension between structural supports shall be 1,905 mm (6.25 feet) in width or 1,525 mm (20 feet) in height.

R607.4.4 Curved panels. The width of curved panels shall conform to the requirements of Sections R607.4.1, R607.4.2 and R607.4.3, except additional structural supports shall be provided at locations where a curved section joins a straight section, and at inflection points in multiple-curve walls.

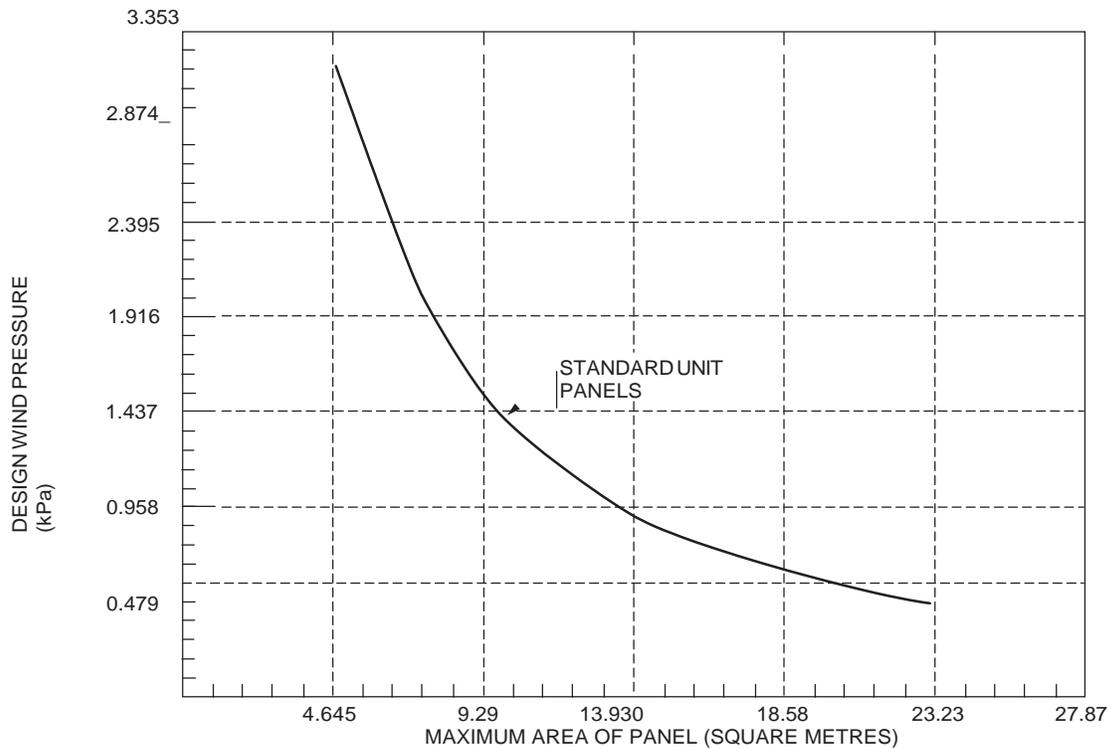
R607.5 Panel support. Glass unit masonry panels shall conform to the support requirements of this section.

R607.5.1 Deflection. The maximum total deflection of structural members that support glass unit masonry shall not exceed 1/600.

R607.5.2 Lateral support. Glass unit masonry panels shall be laterally supported along the top and sides of the panel. Lateral supports for glass unit masonry panels shall be designed to resist not less than 2,918 N/m (200 pounds per lineal feet) of panel, or the actual applied loads, whichever is greater. Except for single-unit panels, lateral support shall be provided by panel anchors along the top and sides spaced not greater than 405 mm (16 inches) on center or by channel-type restraints. Single-unit panels shall be supported by channel-type restraints.

Exceptions:

1. Lateral support is not required at the top of panels that are one unit wide.
2. Lateral support is not required at the sides of panels that are one unit high.



For Inch Pound Units: 1 m² = 10.8 square foot, 1 kPa = 20.89 pound per square foot.

FIGURE R607.4.1
GLASS UNIT MASONRY DESIGN WIND LOAD RESISTANCE

R607.5.2.1 Panel anchor restraints. Panel anchors shall be spaced not greater than 405 mm (16 inches) on

center in both jambs and across the head. Panel anchors shall be embedded not less than 305 mm (12 inches) and shall be provided with two fasteners so as to resist the loads specified in

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R607.5.2.2 Channel-type restraints. Glass unit masonry panels shall be recessed not less than 25 mm (1 inch) within channels and chases. Channel-type restraints shall be oversized to accommodate expansion material in the opening, packing and sealant between the framing restraints, and the glass unit masonry perimeter units.

R607.6 Sills. Before the bedding of glass units, the sill area shall be covered with a water-base asphaltic emulsion coating. The coating shall be not less than 3 mm ($\frac{1}{8}$ inch) thick.

R607.7 Expansion joints. Glass unit masonry panels shall be provided with expansion joints along the top and sides at all structural supports. Expansion joints shall be not less than 10 mm ($\frac{3}{8}$ inch) in thickness and shall have sufficient thickness to accommodate displacements of the supporting structure. Expansion joints shall be entirely free of mortar and other debris and shall be filled with a compressible, expandable and resilient material and shall be applied to the expansion joint only after it has been cleaned and made free of all dust and debris.

R607.8 Mortar. Glass unit masonry shall be laid with Type S or N mortar. Mortar shall not be retempered after initial set. Mortar unused within 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ hours after initial mixing shall be discarded.

R607.9 Reinforcement. Glass unit masonry panels shall have horizontal joint reinforcement spaced not greater than 405 mm (16 inches) on center located in the mortar bed joint. Horizontal joint reinforcement shall extend the entire length of the panel but shall not extend across expansion joints. Longitudinal wires shall be lapped not less than 150 mm (6 inches) at splices. Joint reinforcement shall be placed in the bed joint immediately below and above openings in the panel. The reinforcement shall have not less than two parallel longitudinal wires of size W1.7 or greater, and have welded cross wires of size W1.7 or greater.

R607.10 Placement. Glass units shall be placed so head and bed joints are filled solidly. Mortar shall not be furrowed. Head and bed joints of glass unit masonry shall be 6.35 mm ($\frac{1}{4}$ inch) thick, except that vertical joint thickness of radial panels shall be not less than 3 mm ($\frac{1}{8}$ inch) or greater than 16 mm ($\frac{5}{8}$ inch). The bed joint thickness tolerance shall be minus 1.6 mm ($\frac{1}{16}$ inch) and plus 3 mm ($\frac{1}{8}$ inch). The head joint thickness tolerance shall be plus or minus 3 mm ($\frac{1}{8}$ inch).

for the design, unless specifically exempt by the Building Act or any of its Regulations.

SECTION R608

EXTERIOR CONCRETE WALL CONSTRUCTION

R608.1 General. Exterior concrete walls shall be designed and constructed to withstand ultimate sustained wind speeds of at least 72 m/s (160 mph) and the seismic load imposed by a 6.5 Richter Scale earthquake and shall be in accordance with the provisions of this code section or in accordance with the provisions of PCA 100 or ACI 318. Where PCA 100, ACI 318 or the provisions of this section are used to design concrete walls, project drawings, typical details and specifications are required to bear the seal of the architect or engineer or stamp of the licensed building practitioner responsible

R608.1.1 Interior construction. These provisions are based on the assumption that interior walls and partitions that are load-bearing shall be of steel reinforced masonry concrete or steel reinforced prestressed or poured-in-place concrete construction while nonload-bearing walls and partitions, floors and roof/ceiling assemblies may be constructed of steel reinforced concrete or *light-framed construction* complying with the limitations of this code and the additional limitations of Section R608.2. Design and construction of totally light-framed assemblies shall be limited to wood only and be in accordance with the applicable provisions of this code. Except for wooden buildings, second-story exterior walls shall be of reinforced concrete construction and shall be designed and constructed as required by this code.

Aspects of concrete construction not specifically addressed by this code, including interior concrete walls, shall comply with ACI 318.

R608.1.2 Other concrete walls. Exterior concrete walls constructed in accordance with this code shall comply with the shapes and minimum concrete cross-sectional dimensions of Table R608.3. Other types of forming systems resulting in concrete walls not in compliance with this section shall be designed in accordance with ACI 318.

R608.2 Applicability limits. The provisions of this section shall apply to the construction of exterior concrete walls for buildings not greater than 18,300 mm (60 feet) in any single plan dimension, floors with clear spans not greater than 9,754 mm (32 feet) and roofs with clear spans not greater than 12,200 mm (40 feet). Buildings shall not exceed 10,675 mm (35 feet) in mean roof height or two stories in height above grade. Floor/ceiling dead loads shall not exceed 479 Pa (10 pounds per square foot), roof/ceiling dead loads shall not exceed 718 Pa (15 pounds per square foot) and *attic* live loads shall not exceed 958 Pa (20 pounds per square foot). Roof overhangs shall not exceed 610 mm (2 feet) of horizontal projection beyond the exterior wall and the dead load of the overhangs shall not exceed 383 Pa (8 pounds per square foot).

Walls constructed in accordance with the provisions of this section shall be limited to buildings subjected to a maximum design wind speed of 72 m/s (160 mph) Exposure B, 61 m/s (136 mph) Exposure C and 56 m/s (125 mph) Exposure D. Walls constructed in accordance with the provisions of this section shall be limited to detached one- and two-family *dwelling*s, townhouses and small nonresidential buildings assigned to Seismic Design Category A or B, and detached one- and two-family *dwelling*s assigned to Seismic Design Category C.

Buildings that are not within the scope of this section shall be designed in accordance with PCA 100 or ACI 318 or the applicable portions of this code.

R608.2.1 Applicability limits for concrete walls, slabs, beams, columns and stiffeners in the Seismic Design Categories D₁, D₂ and E. From Figure R301.2(1) the Seismic Design Categories applicable to Jamaica are D₁, D₂ and E hence concrete walls, suspended slabs, beams, columns, foundations and roofs shall be designed and constructed to meet these SDCs.

Concrete walls, slabs, beams, columns and stiffeners constructed in accordance with the provisions of this section of the code shall be limited to concrete masonry, poured-in-place-concrete and prestressed concrete for buildings subjected to a maximum sustained design wind speed of 72 m/s (160 mph) in Exposure B, 61 m/s (136 mph) in Exposure C and 56 m/s (125 mph) in Exposure D. Walls for this section of the code shall be limited to masonry detached one- and two-family *dwelling*s, townhouses and small non-residential buildings of 300 m² and less in area. Walls shall meet the applicable requirements of Sections R602, R603, R604, R606, R607, R608 and R610.

Concrete slabs-on-ground for detached one- and multi-family dwellings, townhouses and small non-residential buildings of 300 m² (3,232 ft²) and less is not restricted in size provided it satisfies the requirements of Sections R403.1.3.3 and R506 and its cured concrete has a minimum crushing strength of 17.237 MPa (2,500 psi). Suspended slabs shall meet the requirements of Sections R508, have a maximum span of 6 metres (20 feet) and its cured concrete shall have a minimum crushing strength of 20.685 MPa (3,000 psi).

Beams to be used in detached one- and two-family dwellings, townhouses and small non-residential buildings of 300 m² and less shall have a minimum width of 250 mm (10 inches) and minimum depth of 250 mm (10 inches) when forming part of a structural support framework including the support of a suspended slab. Beams when used to cap walls (bond or ring or belt beams) shall have the width of the wall it caps and a minimum depth of 250 mm (10 inches). Beam construction shall commence with putting in place a formwork system that is robust, geometrically aligned, accurate for producing the designed beam size and immovable under the loads to be experienced in the placement of steel reinforcement and concrete. Beams shall meet the requirements of this section and Sections R608.12.3 and R608.12.4 except that vertical walls reinforcement shall be tied into beams in a manner to make separation highly unlikely in the severest seismic event. The 28 days cured concrete crushing strength of all beams shall be a minimum of 20.685 MPa (3,000 psi). Beams to be used in the building types allowed under this code shall be supported by one of the following structural elements:

- a. Entirely by loadbearing walls (shear walls) and

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reinforced poured-in-place stiffeners columns at wall corners, intersections and ends. See Figure R606.4.1.1 for stiffener locations.

- b. Entirely by a structural framework comprising beams, columns and suspended slabs.
- c. A mixture of shear walls, columns, stiffeners and suspended slabs.

Columns for detached one- and two-family dwellings, town-houses and small non-residential buildings of 300 m² and less shall originate from a spread footing foundation that is tied into the strip footing foundationsystem for the building (see Figure R403.1.3) and terminate in the ring (bond or belt) or structural frame beam. Columns shall have a minimum width of 250 mm (10 inches), a minimum cross sectional length of 250 mm (10 inches) and height not exceeding 3,050 mm (10 feet). Columns taller than 3050 mm (10 feet) shall be designed by a registered structural building professional. Column construction shall begin with formwork on all four sides of both the substructural and superstructural sections of the structural element. Forming shall be done in sections that allow the placement of reinforcement bars and concrete without honeycombs and air pockets. Column forms shall be robust, geometrically aligned and squared, accurate to produce the finished minimum dimensions and immovable under the reinforcement and concrete placement loads to be experienced. Columns shall meet the requirements of this section and the applicable portions of Sections R606.12 and R608.12 except that horizontal walls reinforcement shall be tied into columns in a manner to make separation highly unlikely in the severest seismic event. The 28 days cured concrete crushing strength of all beams shall be a minimum of 20.685 MPa (3,000 psi).

R608.3 Concrete wall systems. Concrete walls constructed in accordance with these provisions shall comply with the shapes and minimum concrete cross-sectional dimensions of Table R608.3.

R608.3.1 Flat wall systems. Flat concrete wall systems shall comply with Table R608.3 and Figure R608.3(1) and have a minimum nominal thickness of 100 mm (4 inches).

R608.3.2 Waffle-grid wall systems. Waffle-grid wall systems shall comply with Table R608.3 and Figure R608.3(2) and shall have a minimum nominal thickness of 150 mm (6 inches) for the horizontal and vertical concrete members (cores). The core and web dimensions shall comply with Table R608. 3. The maximum weight of waffle- grid walls shall comply with Table R608.3.

R608.3.3 Screen-grid wall systems. Screen-grid wall systems shall comply with Table R608.3 and Figure R608.3(3) and shall have a minimum nominal thickness of 150 mm (6 inches) for the horizontal and vertical concrete members (cores). The core dimensions shall comply with Table R608.3. The maximum weight of screen-grid walls shall comply with Table R608.3.

R608.3.4 Hollow concrete-block wall systems. Vertical core hollow concrete-block wall systems shall comply with Table

R608.3 and Figure R608.3(4) and shall have minimum nominal thicknesses of 100 mm (4 inches), 150 mm (6 inches) and 200 mm (8 inches). The core and web dimensions shall comply with Table R608. 3. The maximum weight of vertical core hollow concrete-block walls shall comply with Table R608.3. {Note that hollow concrete-blocks exist in both horizontal and vertical cores but only vertical core is used in Jamaica, hence horizontal core blocks construction will not be addressed in this version of the code}.

R608.4 Stay-in-place forms. Stay-in-place concrete forms shall comply with this section.

R608.4.1 Surface burning characteristics. The flame spread index and smoke-developed index of forming material, other than foam plastic, left exposed on the interior shall comply with Section R302.9. The surface burning characteristics of foam plastic used in insulating concrete forms shall comply with Section R316.3.

R608.4.2 Interior covering. Stay-in-place forms constructed of rigid foam plastic shall be protected on the interior of the building as required by Sections R316.4 and R702.3.4. Where gypsum board is used to protect the foam plastic, it shall be installed with a mechanical fastening system. Use of adhesives is permitted in addition to mechanical fasteners.

R608.4.3 Exterior wall covering. Stay-in-place forms constructed of rigid foam plastics shall be protected from sunlight and physical damage by the application of an *approved* exterior wall covering complying with this code. Exterior surfaces of other stay-in-place forming systems shall be protected in accordance with this code.

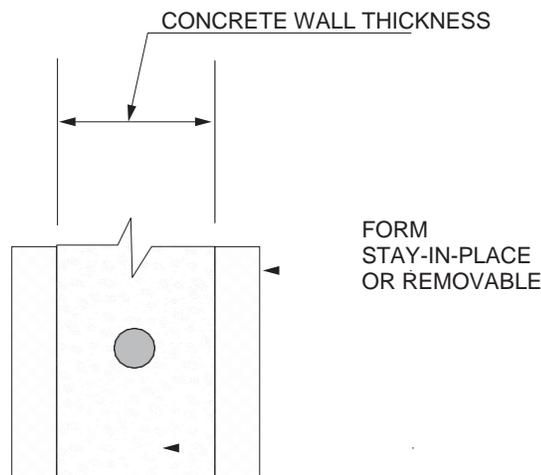
Requirements for installation of masonry veneer, stucco and other finishes on the exterior of concrete walls and other construction details not covered in this section shall comply with the requirements of this code.

TABLE R608.3
 DIMENSIONAL REQUIREMENTS FOR WALLS^a

WALL TYPE AND NOMINAL THICKNESS (mm)	MAXIMUM WALL WEIGHT ^b (kPa)	MINIMUM WIDTH, W, OF VERTICAL CORES (mm)	MINIMUM THICKNESS, T, OF VERTICAL CORES (mm)	MAXIMUM SPACING OF VERTICAL CORES (mm)	MAXIMUM SPACING OF HORIZONTAL CORES (mm)	MINIMUM WEB THICKNESS (mm)
102 Flat ^c	2.39	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
150 Flat ^c	3.59	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
205 Flat ^c	4.78	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
255 Flat ^c	6	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
150 Waffle-grid	2.68	205 ^d	140 ^d	305	405	51
205 Waffle-grid	3.6	205 ^e	205 ^e	305	405	51
150 Screen-grid	2.5	159 ^f	159 ^f	305	305	NA
100 Concrete block	1.2	50	162.5	187.5	N/A	25
150 Concrete block	1.4	100	162.5	187.5	N/A	25
205 Concrete block	2.1	150	162.5	187.5	N/A	25

For Inch Pound Units : 1 mm= 0.03937 inch ; 1 kPa= 20.89 pound per square foot, 1 kg/m³= 0.0624 pound per cubic foot , 1 mm²= 0.00155 square inch , 1 cm⁴= 0.024inch⁴. NA = Not Applicable.

- a. Width “W,” thickness “T,” spacing and web thickness, refer to Figures R608.3(2) and R608.3(3).
- b. Wall weight is based on a unit weight of concrete of 7.18 kPa (150 pcf). For flat walls the weight is based on the nominal thickness. The tabulated values do not include any allowance for interior and exterior finishes.
- c. Nominal wall thickness. The actual as-built thickness of a flat wall shall not be more than 12.5 mm (1/2 inch) less or more than 6.35 mm (1/4 inch) more than the nominal dimension indicated.
- d. Vertical core is assumed to be elliptical-shaped. Another shape of core is permitted provided the minimum thickness is 127 mm (5 inches), the moment of inertia, *I*, about the centerline of the wall (ignoring the web) is not less than 2705 cm⁴ (65 inch⁴), and the area, *A*, is not less than 0.02 m² (31.25 square inches). The width used to calculate *A* and *I* shall not exceed 205 mm (8 inches).
- e. Vertical core is assumed to be circular. Another shape of core is permitted provided the minimum thickness is 178 mm (7 inches), the moment of inertia, *I*, about the centerline of the wall (ignoring the web) is not less than 8325 cm⁴ (200 inch⁴), and the area, *A*, is not less than 0.031 m² (49 square inches). The width used to calculate *A* and *I* shall not exceed 205 mm (8 inches).
- f. Vertical core is assumed to be circular. Another shape of core is permitted provided the minimum thickness is 140 mm (5.5 inches), the moment of inertia, *I*, about the centerline of the wall is not less than 3163 cm⁴ (76 inch⁴), and the area, *A*, is not less than 0.0195 m² (30.25 square inches). The width used to calculate *A* and *I* shall not exceed 0.004 m² (6.25 inches).



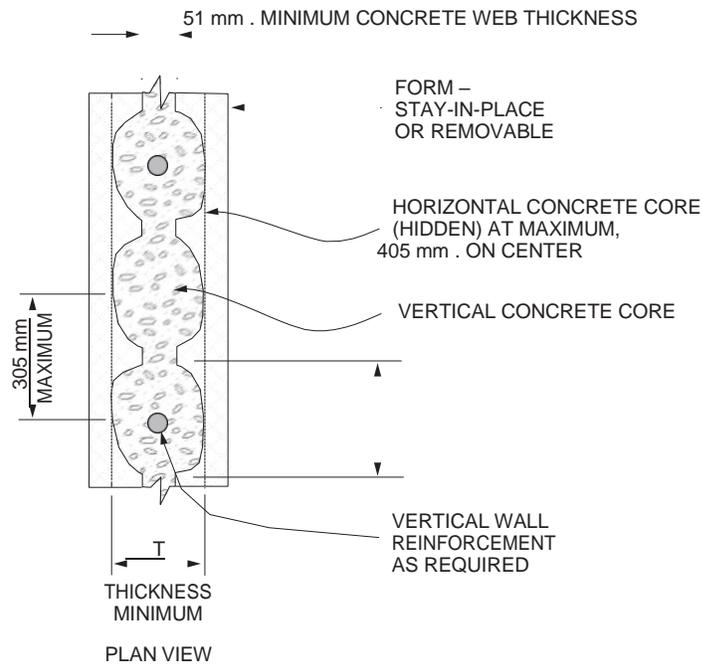
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VERTICAL WALL
REINFORCEMENT
AS REQUIRED

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SEE TABLE R608.3 FOR MINIMUM DIMENSIONS

**FIGURE R608.3(1)
FLAT WALL SYSTEM**



SEE TABLE R608.3 FOR MINIMUM DIMENSIONS

For Inch pound Units : 1
mm= 0.03937 inch.

**FIGURE R608.3(2)
WAFFLE-GRID WALL SYSTEM**

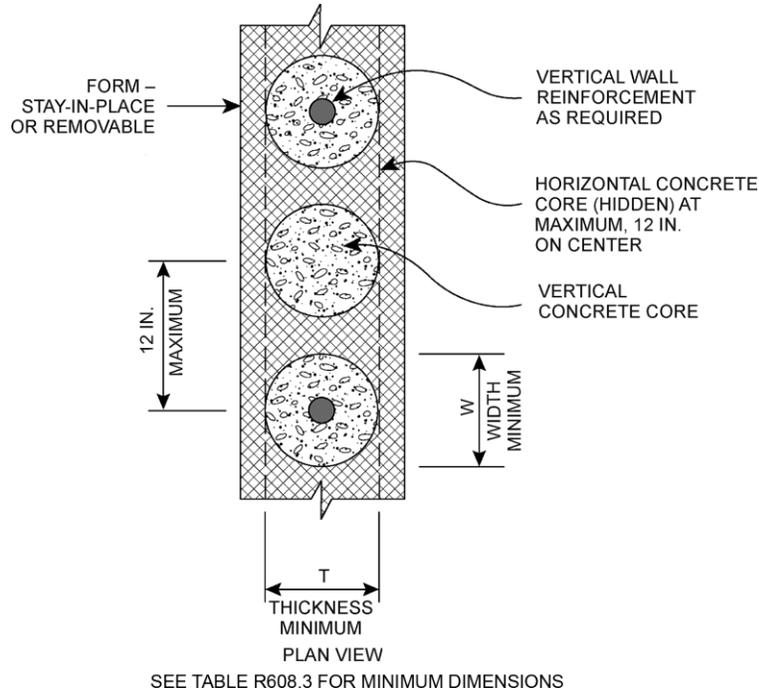


FIGURE R608.3(3)
SCREEN-GRID WALL SYSTEM

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch

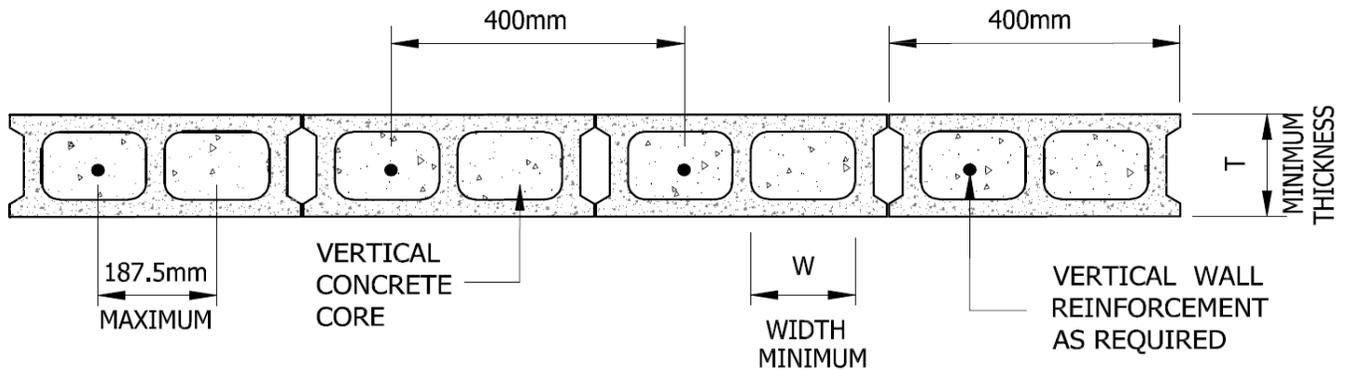


FIGURE R608.3(4)
VERTICAL CORE CONCRETE BLOCK WALL SYSTEM

R608.4.4 Flat ICF wall systems. Flat ICF wall system forms shall conform to ASTM E2634.

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R608.5 Materials. Materials used in the construction of concrete walls shall comply with this section.

R608.5.1 Concrete and materials for concrete. Materials used in concrete, and the concrete itself,

shall conform to requirements of this section, PCA 100 or

R608.5.1.1 Cements. The following standards as referenced in Chapter 44 shall be permitted to be used:

1. ASTM C150
2. ASTM C595
3. ASTM C1157

R608.5.1.2 Concrete mixing and delivery. Mixing and delivery of concrete shall comply with ASTM C94 or ASTM C685.

R608.5.1.3 Maximum aggregate size. The nominal maximum size of coarse aggregate shall not exceed one-fifth the narrowest distance between sides of forms, or three-fourths the clear spacing between reinforcing bars or between a bar and the side of the form.

Exception: When *approved*, these limitations shall not apply where removable forms are used and workability and methods of consolidation permit concrete to be placed without honeycombs or voids.

R608.5.1.4 Proportioning and slump of concrete. Proportions of materials for concrete shall be established to provide workability and consistency to permit concrete to be worked readily into forms and around reinforcement under conditions of placement to be employed, without segregation or excessive bleeding. Slump of concrete placed in removable forms shall not exceed 150 mm (6 inches).

Exception: When *approved*, the slump is permitted to exceed 150 mm (6 inches) for concrete mixtures that are resistant to segregation, and are in accordance with the form manufacturer's recommendations.

Slump of concrete placed in stay-in-place forms shall exceed 150 mm (6 inches). Slump of concrete shall be determined in accordance with ASTM C143.

R608.5.1.5 Compressive strength. The minimum specified compressive strength of concrete, f'_c , shall comply with Section R402.2 and shall be not less than 17.2 MPa (2,500 pounds per square inch) at 28 days.

R608.5.1.6 Consolidation of concrete. Concrete shall be consolidated by suitable means during placement and shall be worked around embedded items and reinforcement and into corners of forms. Where stay-in-place forms are used, concrete shall be consolidated by internal vibration.

Exception: When *approved*, self-consolidating concrete mixtures with slumps equal to or greater than 205 mm (8 inches) that are specifically designed for placement without internal vibration need not be internally vibrated.

R608.5.2 Steel reinforcement and anchor bolts.

R608.5.2.1 Steel reinforcement. Steel reinforcement bars shall comply with the Bureau of Standards Jamaica JS 33 and not ASTM A615, ASTM A706, or ASTM A996 or ASTM A996 Type R bars produced from rail steel. Vertical reinforcement bars for waffle, screen grid, flat poured-in-place concrete and masonry walls shall

be structurally tied into the foundation, ring (bond or belt) or structurally framed beams and suspended slabs in a manner that is unlikely to separate in major seismic events. Horizontal reinforcement bars for waffle, screen grid, flat poured-in-place concrete and masonry walls shall be structurally tied into the wall stiffeners and columns in a manner that is unlikely to separate in major seismic events.

R608.5.2.2 Anchor bolts. Anchor bolts for use with connection details in accordance with Figures R608.9(1) through R608.9(12) shall be bolts with heads complying with ASTM A307 or ASTM F1554. ASTM A307 bolts shall be Grade A with heads. ASTM F1554 bolts shall be Grade 36 minimum. Instead of bolts with heads, it is permissible to use rods with threads on both ends fabricated from steel complying with ASTM A36. The threaded end of the rod to be embedded in the concrete shall be provided with a hex or square nut.

R608.5.2.3 Sheet steel angles and tension tie straps. Angles and tension tie straps for use with connection details in accordance with Figures R608.9(1) through R608.9(12) shall be fabricated from sheet steel complying with ASTM A653 SS, ASTM A792 SS, or ASTM A875 SS. The steel shall be minimum Grade 33 unless a higher grade is required by the applicable figure.

R608.5.3 Form materials and form ties. Forms shall be made of wood, steel, aluminium, plastic, a composite of concrete shall be consolidated by internal vibration.

Exception: When *approved*, self-consolidating concrete mixtures with slumps equal to or greater than 205 mm (8 inches) that are specifically designed for placement without internal vibration need not be internally vibrated.

cement and foam insulation, a composite of cement and wood chips, or other *approved* material suitable for supporting and containing concrete. Forms/formwork shall provide sufficient strength to contain concrete during the concrete placement operation.

Form/formwork ties shall be steel, solid plastic, foam plastic, a composite of cement and wood chips, a composite of cement and foam plastic, or other suitable material capable of resisting the forces created by fluid pressure of fresh concrete.

R608.5.4 Reinforcement installation details.

R608.5.4.1 Support and cover. Reinforcement shall be secured in the proper location in the forms with tie wire or miniature solid concrete blocks or other bar support system such that displacement will not occur during the concrete placement operation.

Concrete cover for steel reinforcement in building structural elements shall be at least 25% larger for coastal areas, subject to severe corrosion due to salt air or water seepage from the sea, than for areas where salt air corrosion is minimal or negligible. Flat areas beyond 3 kilometres (2 miles) of the sea

and elevated areas beyond 8 kilometres (5 miles) of the sea shall be regarded as susceptible to severe corrosion from the sea's salty air. Table R608.5.4.1 outlines the minimum concrete cover required for the various structural elements. See Section R608.5.4.4 for cover requirements for hooks of bars developed in tension.

**TABLE R608.5.4.1
MINIMUM CONCRETE COVER FOR STRUCTURAL ELEMENTS**

STRUCTURAL ELEMENTS	REINFORCEMENT BAR SIZE	CONCRETE COVER IN MILLIMETRES	
		NORMAL LOCATIONS	COASTAL LOCATIONS
Slabs on ground or foundation stem walls	16 mm (# 5) or smaller	75	95
	19 mm (# 6) or larger	75	95
Suspended slabs	16 mm (# 5) or smaller	25	35
	19 mm (# 6) or larger	25	35
Beams in walls (bond, ring or belt beam)	16 mm (# 5) or smaller	19	28
	19 mm (# 6) or larger	19	25
Beams in structural frames	16 mm (# 5) or smaller	40	50
	19 mm (# 6) or larger	35	45
Columns	16 mm (# 5) or smaller	40	50
	19 mm (# 6) or larger	35	45
Stiffener columns	16 mm (# 5) or smaller	25	35
Concrete cast in stay-in-place forms	16 mm (# 5) or smaller	19	25
	19 mm (# 6) or larger	19	25

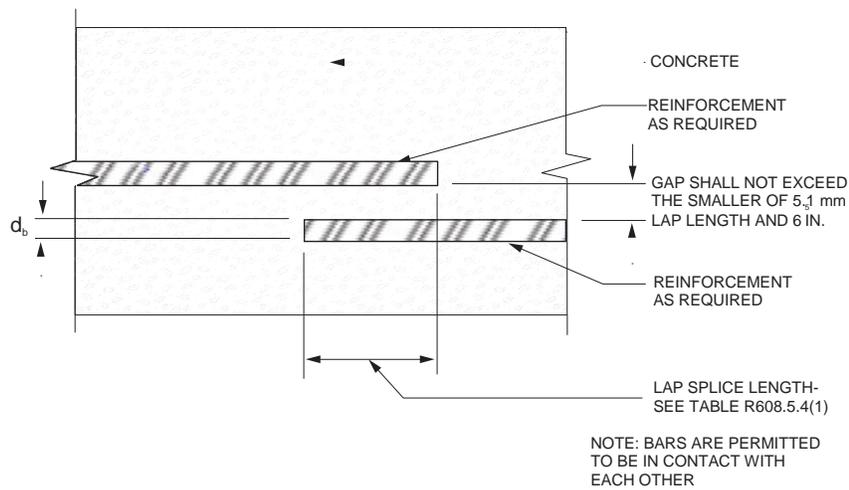
**TABLE R608.5.4(1)
LAP SPLICE AND TENSION DEVELOPMENT LENGTHS**

TYPES LAP SPLICE AND TENSION DEVELOPMENT LENGTHS	BAR SIZE DIAMETER (mm)	YIELD STRENGTH OF STEEL, f_y (MPa)	
		(384)	(420)
		Splice length or tension development length (mm)	
Lap splice length-tension	12	510	762
	16	635	965
	19	762	1143

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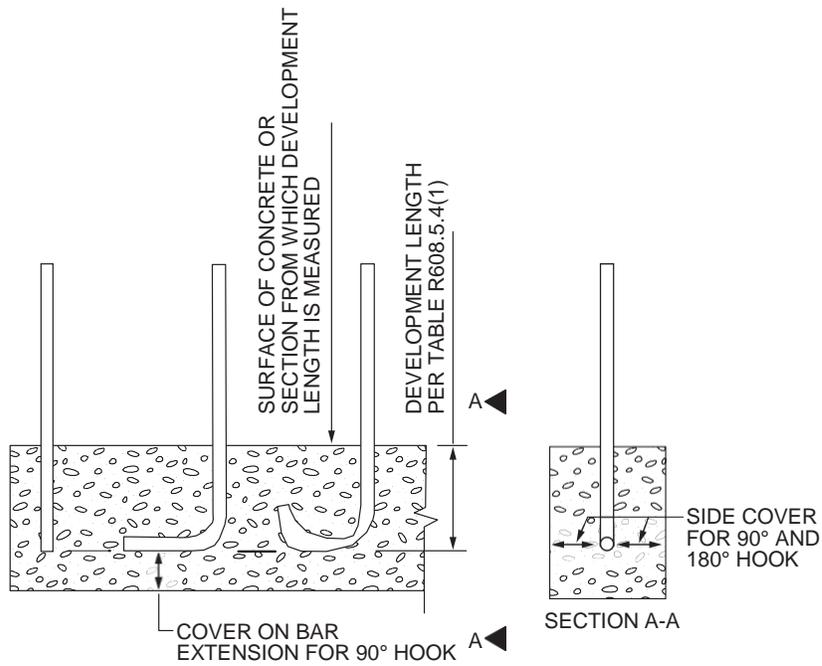
Tension development length for straight bar	12	381	584
	16	483	711
	19	584	864
Tension development length for: a. 90-degree and 180-degree standard hooks with not less than 63.5 mm of side cover perpendicular to plane of hook, and b. 90-degree standard hooks with not less than 51 mm of cover on the bar extension beyond the hook.	12	150	229
	16	178	279
	19	205	330
Tension development length for bar with 90-degree or 180-degree standard hook having less cover than required in Items a and b.	12	205	305
	16	255	381
	19	305	457

For Inch Pound Units : 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 degree = 0.0175 rad, 1 kPa = 20.89 pound per square inch.



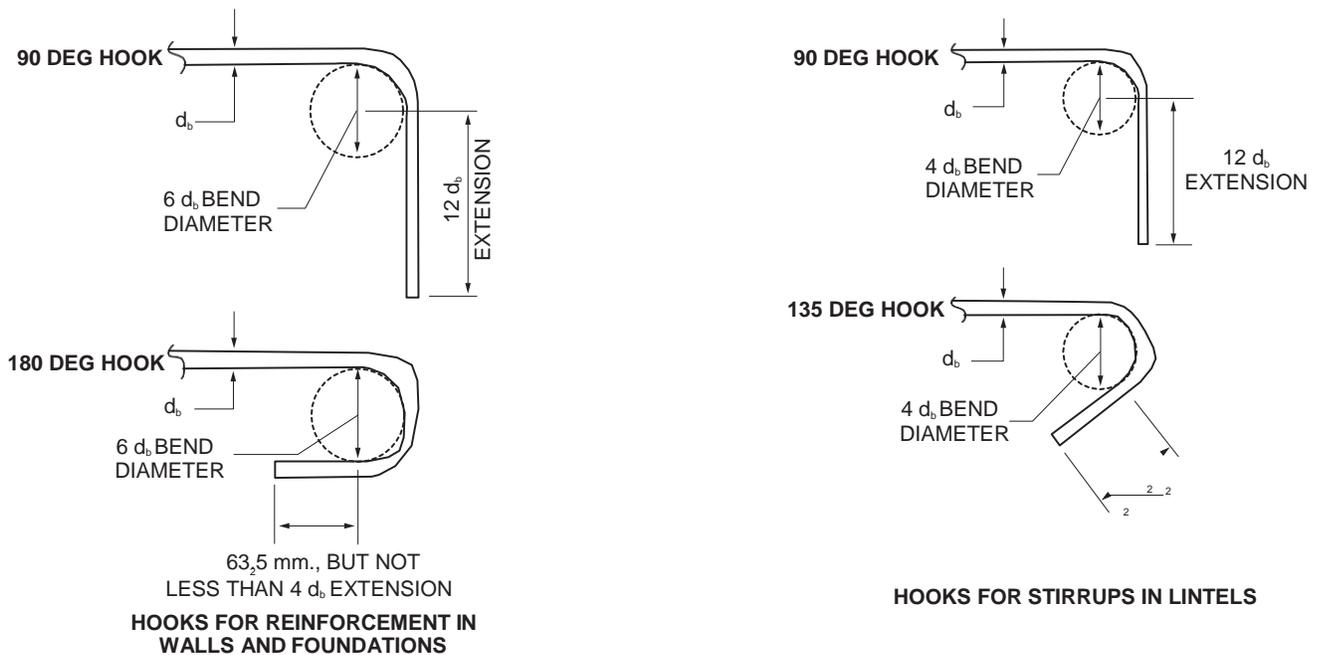
For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch .

**FIGURE R608.5.4(1)
LAP SPLICES**



For SI: 1 degree = 0.0175 rad.

FIGURE R608.5.4(2)
DEVELOPMENT LENGTH AND COVER FOR HOOKS AND BAR EXTENSION



For Inch Pound Units : 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 degree = 0.0175 rad.

FIGURE R608.5.4(3)
STANDARD HOOKS

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TABLE R608.5.4(2)
MAXIMUM SPACING FOR ALTERNATIVE BAR SIZE AND ALTERNATIVE GRADE OF STEEL^{a, b, c}

BAR SPACING FROM APPLICABLE TABLE IN SECTION R608.6 (mm)	BAR SIZE FROM APPLICABLE TABLE IN SECTION R608.6														
	#4					#5					#6				
	Alternate bar size and alternate grade of steel desired														
	Grade 60		Grade 40			Grade 60		Grade 40			Grade 60		Grade 40		
	#5	#6	#4	#5	#6	#4	#6	#4	#5	#6	#4	#5	#4	#5	#6
Maximum spacing for alternate bar size and alternate grade of steel (mm)															
205	305	457	127	205	305	127	279	76	125	205	102	150	51	102	127
228	355	510	150	228	330	150	330	102	150	228	102	150	76	102	150
205	405	558	178	255	381	150	355	102	178	228	127	178	76	127	178
279	431	610	178	279	405	178	405	127	178	255	127	205	76	127	178
305	482	660	205	305	457	205	431	127	205	279	127	205	102	150	205
330	510	736	228	330	482	205	457	150	228	305	150	228	102	150	228
355	558	787	228	355	533	228	510	150	228	330	150	255	102	178	228
381	584	838	255	405	558	255	533	150	255	355	178	279	127	178	255
405	635	889	279	431	584	255	584	178	279	381	178	279	127	205	279
431	660	939	279	457	635	279	610	178	279	405	205	305	127	205	279
457	711	1016	305	482	660	305	660	205	305	431	205	330	127	205	305
482	736	1066	330	510	711	305	685	205	330	457	228	330	150	228	330
510	787	1176	330	533	736	330	711	228	330	482	228	355	150	228	330
533	838	1168	355	558	787	355	762	228	355	510	255	381	150	255	355
558	863	1200	381	584	812	355	787	228	381	533	255	405	178	255	381
584	915	1200	381	610	863	381	838	255	381	558	255	405	178	279	381
610	939	1200	405	635	889	381	863	255	405	584	279	431	178	279	405
635	990	1200	431	660	939	405	889	279	431	610	279	457	205	305	431
660	1016	1200	431	685	965	431	37	279	431	25	12	457	205	305	431
685	1066	1200	457	711	1016	431	965	305	457	660	305	482	205	330	457
711	1092	1200	482	736	1041	457	1016	305	482	660	330	510	205	330	482
736	1143	1200	482	762	1092	482	1041	305	482	685	330	510	228	355	482
762	1193	1200	510	787	1117	482	1092	330	510	711	355	533	228	355	510
787	1200	1200	533	812	1143	510	1117	330	533	736	355	22	228	381	533
812	1200	1200	533	838	1193	533	1143	355	533	762	381	584	255	381	533
838	1200	1200	558	863	1200	533	1193	355	558	31	381	584	255	405	558
863	1200	1200	583	889	1200	448	1200	381	584	812	381	610	255	405	584
889	1200	1200	583	915	1200	584	1200	381	584	838	405	635	279	505	584
915	1200	1200	610	939	1200	584	1200	381	610	863	405	635	279	431	610
939	1200	1200	635	965	1200	610	1200	405	635	889	431	660	279	431	635
965	1200	1200	635	990	1200	635	1200	405	635	915	431	685	305	457	635
990	1200	1200	660	1016	1200	635	1200	431	660	939	457	685	305	457	660
1016	1200	1200	685	1041	1200	660	1200	431	685	965	457	711	305	482	685
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1066	1200	1200	711	1092	1200	685	1200	457	711	1016	482	762	330	510	711
1092	1200	1200	736	1117	1200	715	1200	457	736	1041	510	762	330	510	736
1117	1200	1200	736	1143	1200	715	1200	482	736	1066	510	787	330	533	736
1143	1200	1200	762	1193	1200	736	1200	482	762	1092	510	812	355	533	762
1168	1200	1200	787	1200	1200	762	1200	510	787	1117	533	812	355	558	787
1193	1200	1200	787	1200	1200	762	1200	510	787	1117	533	838	355	558	787
1200	1200	1200	812	1200	1200	787	1200	533	812	1143	558	863	381	584	812

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch.

- a. This table is for use with tables in Section R608.6 that specify the minimum bar size and maximum spacing of vertical wall reinforcement for foundation walls and above-grade walls. Reinforcement specified in tables in Section R608.6 is based on 420 MPa (Grade 60) steel reinforcement.
- b. Bar spacing shall not exceed 1,220 mm (48 inches) on center and shall be not less than one-half the nominal wall thickness.
- c. For 350 MPa (Grade 50) steel bars (ASTM A996, Type R), use spacing for 280 MPa (Grade 40) bars or interpolate between 280 MPa (Grade 40) and 420 MPa (Grade 60).

R608.5.4.2 Location of reinforcement in walls. For location of reinforcement in foundation walls and above-grade walls, see Sections R404.1.3.3.7.2 and R608.6.5, respectively.

R608.5.4.3 Lap splices. Vertical and horizontal wall reinforcement required by Sections R608.6 and R608.7 shall be the longest lengths practical. Where splices are necessary in reinforcement, the length of lap splices shall be in accordance with Table R608.5.4(1) and Figure R608.5.4(1). The maximum gap between noncontact parallel bars at a lap splice shall not exceed the smaller of one-fifth the required lap length and 150 mm (6 inches). See Figure R608.5.4(1).

R608.5.4.4 Development of bars in tension. Where bars are required to be developed in tension by other provisions of this code, development lengths and cover for hooks and bar extensions shall comply with Table R608.5.4(1) and Figure R608.5.4(2). The development lengths shown in Table R608.5.4(1) shall apply to bundled bars in lintels installed in accordance with Section R608.8.2.2.

R608.5.4.5 Standard hooks. Where reinforcement is required by this code to terminate with a standard hook, the hook shall comply with Figure R608.5.4(3).

R608.5.4.6 Webs of waffle-grid walls. Reinforcement, including stirrups, shall not be placed in webs of waffle-grid walls, including lintels. Webs are permitted to have form ties.

R608.5.4.7 Alternate grade of reinforcement and spacing. Where tables in Sections R404.1.3 and R608.6 specify vertical wall reinforcement based on minimum bar size and maximum spacing, which are based on 420 MPa (Grade 60) steel reinforcement, different size bars or bars made from a different grade of steel are permitted provided an equivalent area of steel per linear metre (foot) of wall is provided. Use of Table R608.5.4(2) is permitted to determine the maximum bar spacing for different bar sizes than specified in the tables and bars made from a different grade of steel. Bars shall not be spaced less than one-half the wall thickness, or more than 1,220 mm (48 inches) on center.

R608.5.5 Construction joints in walls. Construction joints shall be made and located to not impair the strength of the wall. Construction joints in plain concrete walls, including walls required to have not less than No. 4 bars at 1,220 mm (48 inches) on center by Section R608.6, shall be located at points of lateral support, and not less than one No. 4 bar shall extend across the construction joint at a spacing not to exceed 610 mm (24 inches) on center. Construction joint reinforcement shall have not less than 305 mm (12 inches) of embedment on both sides of the joint. Construction joints in reinforced concrete walls shall be

located in the middle third of the span between lateral supports, or located and constructed as required for joints in plain concrete walls.

Exception: Vertical wall reinforcement required by this code is permitted to be used in lieu of construction joint reinforcement, provided the spacing does not exceed 610 mm (24 inches), or the combination of wall reinforcement and 12 mm diameter (No. 4) bars described in Section R608.5.5 does not exceed 610 mm (24 inches).

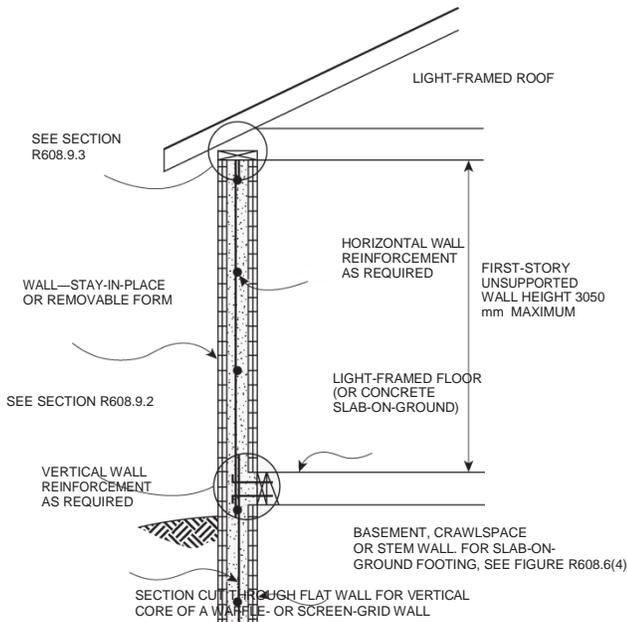
R608.6 Above-grade wall requirements.

R608.6.1 General. The minimum thickness of load-bearing and nonload-bearing above-grade walls and reinforcement shall be as set forth in the appropriate table in this section based on the type of wall form to be used. The wall shall be designed in accordance with ACI 318 where the wall or building is not within the limitations of Section R608.2, where design is required by the tables in this section or where the wall is not within the scope of the tables in this section.

Above-grade concrete walls shall be constructed in accordance with this section and Figure R608.6(1), R608.6(2), R608.6(3) or R608.6(4). Above-grade concrete walls that are continuous with stem walls and not laterally supported by the slab-on-ground shall be designed and constructed in accordance with this section. Concrete walls shall be supported on continuous foundation walls or slabs-on-ground that are monolithic with the footing in accordance with Section R403. The minimum length of solid wall without openings shall be in accordance with Section R608.7. Reinforcement around openings, including lintels, shall be in accordance with Section R608.8. Lateral support for above-grade walls in the out-of-plane direction shall be provided by connections to the floor framing system, if applicable, and to ceiling and roof framing systems in accordance with Section R608.9. The wall thickness shall be equal to or greater than the thickness of the wall in the *story* above.

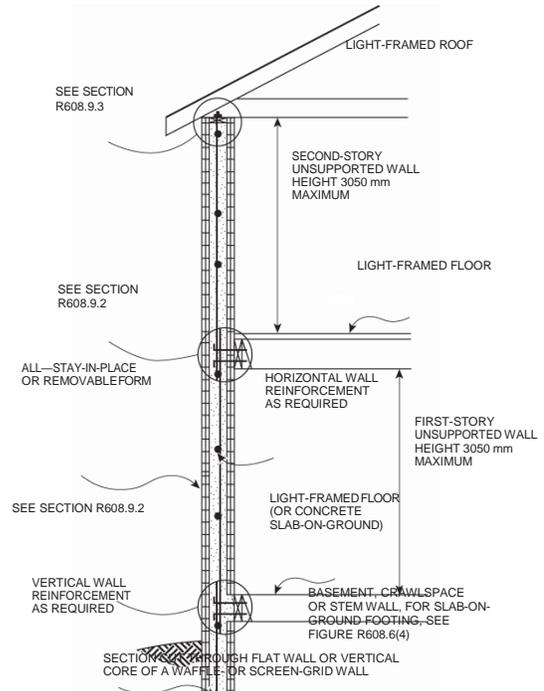
R608.6.2 Wall reinforcement for wind. Vertical wall reinforcement for all wall types to resist the out-of-plane wind forces shall be determined from Table R608.6(1), R608.6(2), R608.6(3), R608.6(4), R608.6(5) or R608.6(6). For the design of nonload-bearing walls, use the appropriate column labeled “Top.” in Tables R608.6(1), R608.6(2), and R608.6(3) and Table R608.6(5) or R608.6(6) (see Sections R608.7.2.2.2 and R608.7.2.2.3). There shall be a vertical wall stiffener column at all wall, corners, wall intersections and every 1,830 mm (6 feet) on centre for extensive floor to ring (bond, belt) beam wall segments of exterior walls. Unless formed concrete flat wall, waffle-grid wall or screen-grid wall require more horizontal reinforcement as outlined by Section R608.7.2.2.1, the minimum horizontal reinforcement for these walls shall be four 12 mm diameter (No. 4) bars [384 MPa (Grade 55)] placed as follows: top bar within 305 mm (12 inches) of the top of the wall, bottom bar within 305 mm (12 inches) of the finish floor and one bar each at approximately one-third and two-thirds of the wall height.

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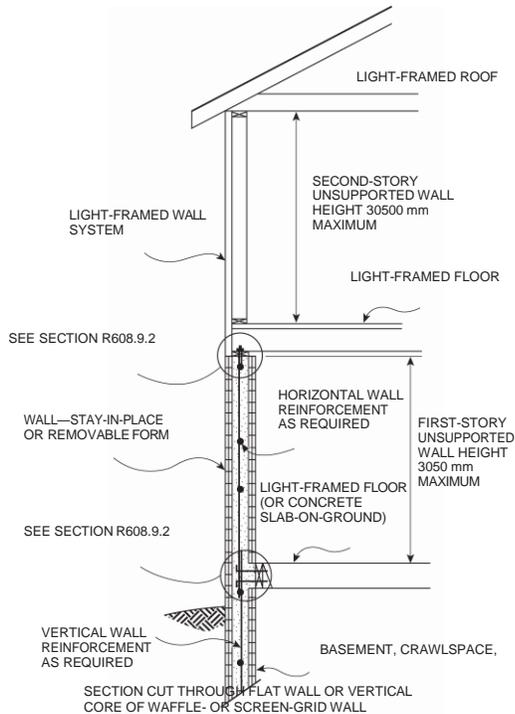
For Inch Pound Units: 1mm = 0.00328 foot.

**FIGURE R608.6(1)
ABOVE-GRADE CONCRETE WALL CONSTRUCTION ONE STORY**



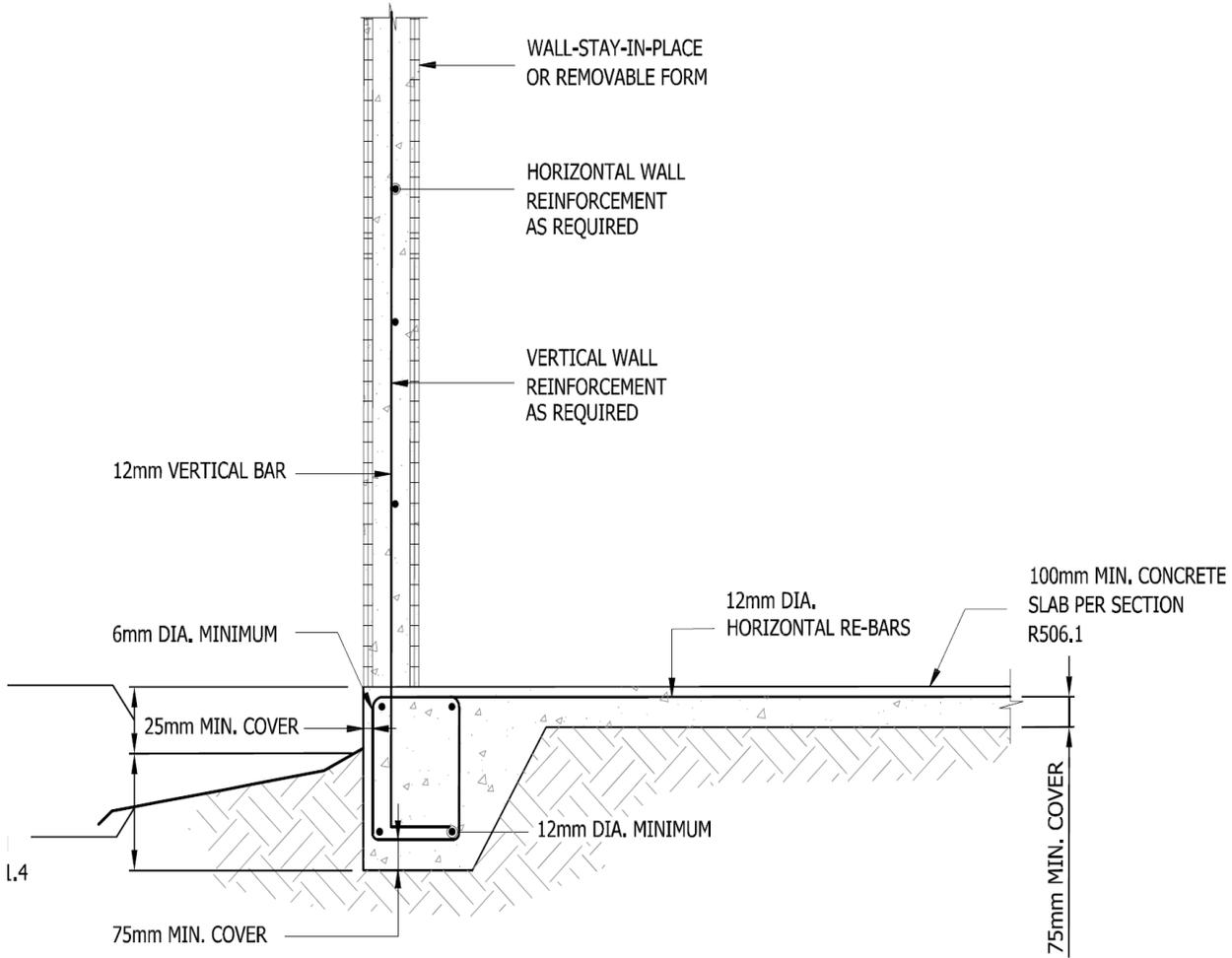
For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.00328 foot.

**FIGURE R608.6(3)(1)
ABOVE-GRADE CONCRETE WALL CONSTRUCTION FOR
TWO-STOREY BUILDING WITHOUT SUSPENDED SLABS**



For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.00328 foot .

**FIGURE R608.6(2)
ABOVE-GRADE CONCRETE WALL CONSTRUCTION CONCRETE
FIRST STORY AND LIGHT-FRAMED SECOND STORY**

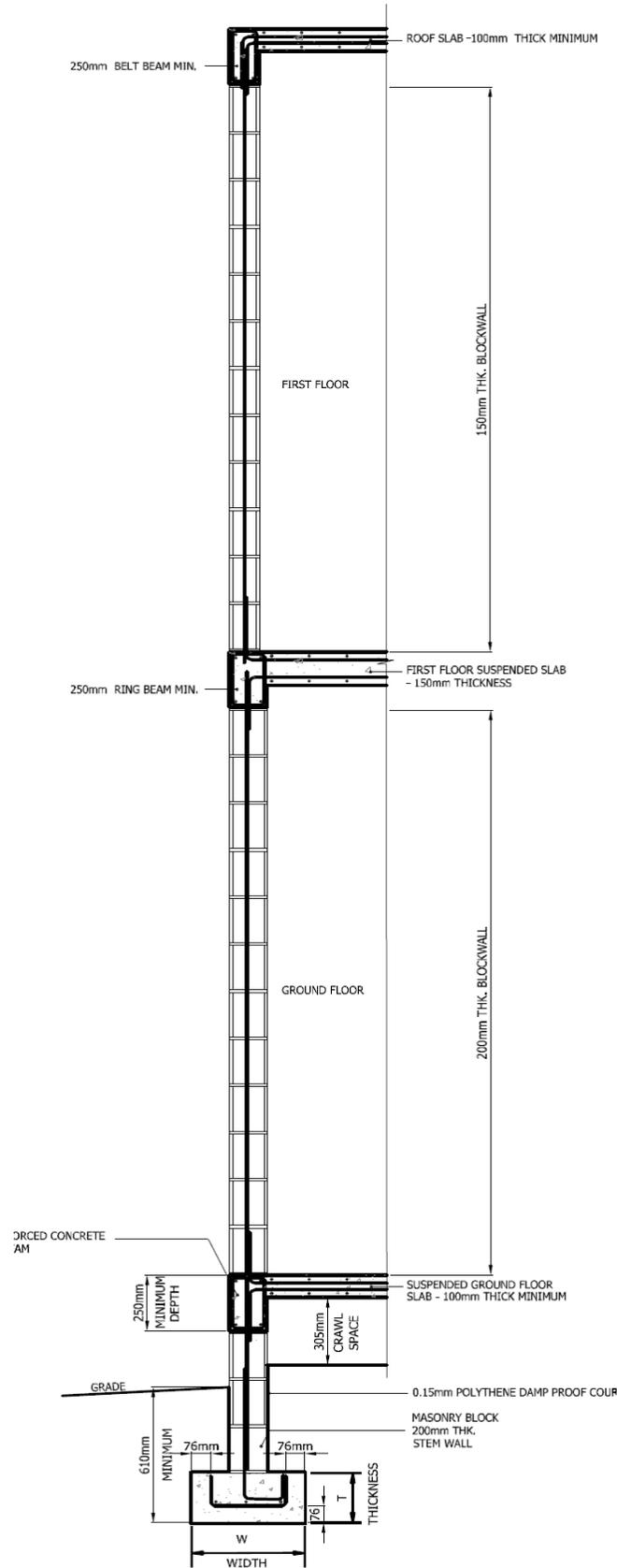


SEE CUT THROUGH FLAT WALL OR VERTICAL CORE OF A WAFFLE- OR SCREEN-GRID WALL

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch

FIGURE R608.6.(4)
ABOVE-GRADE CONCRETE WALL SUPPORTED ON
MONOLITHIC SLAB-ON-GROUND FOOTING

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For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch

FIGURE R608.6(3)(2)
ABOVE-GRADE CONCRETE WALL CONSTRUCTION FOR TWO-STOUREY BUILDING WITH SUSPENDED CONCRETE SLABS

TABLE R608.6(1)
MINIMUM VERTICAL REINFORCEMENT FOR FLAT ABOVE-GRADE WALLS^{a, b, c, d, e}

MAXIMUM WIND SPEED (m/s)			MAXIMUM UNSUPPORTED WALL HEIGHT PER STORY (mm)	MINIMUM VERTICAL REINFORCEMENT-BAR DIAMETER SIZE AND SPACING (mm) ^{f, 9}								
				Nominal ^h wall thickness (mm)								
Exposure Category				102		150		205		255		
B	C	D		Top ^l	Side ^l	Top ^l	Side ^l	Top ^l	Side ^l	Top ^l	Side ^l	
51			2438	12@1200	12@1200	12@1200	12@1200	12@1200	12@1200	12@1200	12@1200	
			2743	12@1200	12@990	12@1200	12@1200	12@1200	12@1200	12@1200	12@1200	12@1200
			3050	12@1041	12@864	12@1200	12@1200	12@1200	12@1200	12@1200	12@1200	12@1200
53			2438	12@1200	12@1092	12@1200	12@1200	12@1200	12@1200	12@1200	12@1200	
			2743	12@1200	12@915	12@1200	12@1200	12@1200	12@1200	12@1200	12@1200	12@1200
			3050	12@940	12@864	12@1200	12@1200	12@102	12@1200	12@1200	12@1200	12@1200
58	49		2438	12@1200	12@965	12@1200	12@1200	12@1200	12@1200	12@1200	12@1200	
			2743	12@990	12@864	12@1200	12@1200	12@1200	12@1200	12@1200	12@1200	12@1200
			3050	12@864	12@864	12@1200	12@1200	12@1200	12@1200	12@1200	12@1200	12@1200
63	53	49	2438	12@1092	12@864	12@1200	12@1200	12@1200	12@1200	12@1200	12@1200	
			2743	12@864	12@864	12@1200	12@1200	12@1200	12@1200	12@1200	12@1200	12@1200
			3050	12@864	12@787	12@1200	12@1200	12@1200	12@1200	12@1200	12@1200	12@1200
67	57	52	2438	12@940	12@864	12@1200	12@1200	12@1200	12@1200	12@1200	12@1200	
			2743	12@864	12@838	12@1200	12@1200	12@1200	12@1200	12@1200	12@1200	12@1200
			3050	12@787	12@685	12@1200	12@1200	12@1200	12@1200	12@1200	12@1200	12@1200
72	61	56	2438	12@864	12@864	12@1200	12@1200	12@1200	12@1200	12@1200	12@1200	
			2743	12@864	12@736	12@1200	12@1200	12@1200	12@1200	12@1200	12@1200	12@1200
			3050	12@685	12@610	12@1200	12@1200	12@1200	12@1200	12@1200	12@1200	12@1200

For : 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 m/s = 2.2 mile per hour, 1 kPa = 0.145 pound per square inch, 1 m² = 10.7 square foot.

- a. Table is based on ASCE 7 components and cladding wind pressures for an enclosed building using a mean roof height of 10.6 m (35 feet), interior wall area 4, an effective wind area of 0.93 m² (10 square feet), topographic factor, K_{zt} , equal to 1.0, and Risk Category II.
- b. Table is based on concrete with a minimum specified compressive strength of 17,238 kPa (2,500 psi).
- c. See Section R608.6.5 for location of reinforcement in wall.
- d. Deflection criterion is $L/240$, where L is the unsupported height of the wall in mm (inches).
- e. Interpolation is not permitted.
- f. Where No. 4 reinforcing bars at a spacing of 1,220 mm (48 inches) are specified in the table as indicated by shaded cells, use of bars with a minimum yield strength of 275,800 kPa (40,000 psi) or 413,700 kPa (60,000 psi) is permitted.
- g. Other than for No. 4 bars spaced at 1,220 (48 inches) on center, table values are based on reinforcing bars with a minimum yield strength of 413,700 kPa (60,000 psi). Vertical reinforcement with a yield strength of less than 413,700 kPa (60,000 psi) or bars of a different size than specified in the table are permitted in accordance with Section R608.5.4.7 and Table R608.5.4(2).
- h. See Table R608.3 for tolerances on nominal thicknesses.
- i. “Top” means gravity load from roof or floor construction bears on top of wall. “Side” means gravity load from floor construction is transferred to wall from a wood ledger or cold-formed steel track bolted to side of wall. For nonload-bearing walls where floor framing members span parallel to the wall, use of the “Top” bearing condition is permitted.

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TABLE R608.6(2)
MINIMUM VERTICAL REINFORCEMENT FOR WAFFLE-GRID ABOVE-GRADE WALLS^{a, b, c, d, e}

WALL CONSTRUCTION	WALL TYPE	WALL THICKNESS (mm)	MINIMUM VERTICAL REINFORCEMENT-BAR DIAMETER SIZE AND SPACING (mm) ^{f, g}			
			Nominal ^h wall thickness (mm)			
WALL CONSTRUCTION	WALL TYPE	WALL THICKNESS (mm)	150		205	
			Top ⁱ	Side ⁱ	Top ⁱ	Side ⁱ
Type 1	Type 1	150	12 @ 1200	12 @ 1200	12 @ 1200	12 @ 1200
			16 @ 1092	16 @ 940	12 @ 1200	12 @ 1200
			16 @ 940	16 @ 940	12 @ 1200	12 @ 1200
Type 2	Type 2	150	12 @ 1200	16 @ 1066	12 @ 1200	12 @ 1200
			16 @ 1143	16 @ 940	12 @ 1200	12 @ 1200
			16 @ 939	16 @ 940	12 @ 1200	12 @ 1200
Type 3	Type 3	150	12 @ 1200	16 @ 965	12 @ 1200	12 @ 1200
			16 @ 990	16 @ 940	12 @ 1200	12 @ 1200
			16 @ 940	16 @ 889	12 @ 1200	12 @ 1200
Type 4	Type 4	150	16 @ 1092	16 @ 940	12 @ 1200	12 @ 1200
			16 @ 940	16 @ 940	12 @ 1200	12 @ 1200
			16 @ 915	19 @ 1117	12 @ 1200	12 @ 1200
Type 5	Type 5	150	16 @ 965	16 @ 940	12 @ 1200	12 @ 1200
			16 @ 940	19 @ 1193	12 @ 1200	12 @ 1200
			19 @ 1143	19 @ 990	12 @ 1200	19 @ 1168

MAXIMUM WIND SPEED (m/s)			MAXIMUM UNSUPPORTED WALL HEIGHT PER STORY (mm)	MINIMUM VERTICAL REINFORCEMENT-BAR DIAMETER SIZE AND SPACING (mm) ^{f, g}			
Exposure Category				Nominal ^h wall thickness (mm)			
B	C	D		150		205	
				Top ⁱ	Side ⁱ	Top ⁱ	Side ⁱ
51			2438	12 @ 1200	12 @ 1200	12 @ 1200	12 @ 1200
			2743	12 @ 1200	16 @ 1092	12 @ 1200	12 @ 1200
			3050	16 @ 1193	16 @ 940	12 @ 1200	12 @ 1200
54			2438	12 @ 1200	16 @ 1200	12 @ 1200	12 @ 1200
			2743	12 @ 1200	16 @ 1016	12 @ 1200	12 @ 1200
			3050	16 @ 1092	16 @ 940	12 @ 1200	12 @ 1200
58	49		2438	12 @ 1200	16 @ 1066	12 @ 1200	12 @ 1200
			2743	16 @ 1143	16 @ 940	12 @ 1200	12 @ 1200
			3050	16 @ 939	16 @ 940	12 @ 1200	12 @ 1200
62	53	49	2438	12 @ 1200	16 @ 965	12 @ 1200	12 @ 1200
			2743	16 @ 990	16 @ 940	12 @ 1200	12 @ 1200
			3050	16 @ 940	16 @ 889	12 @ 1200	12 @ 1200
67	56	52	2438	16 @ 1092	16 @ 940	12 @ 1200	12 @ 1200
			2743	16 @ 940	16 @ 940	12 @ 1200	12 @ 1200
			3050	16 @ 915	19 @ 1117	12 @ 1200	12 @ 1200
72	61	56	2438	16 @ 965	16 @ 940	12 @ 1200	12 @ 1200
			2743	16 @ 940	19 @ 1193	12 @ 1200	12 @ 1200
			3050	19 @ 1143	19 @ 990	12 @ 1200	19 @ 1168

For Inch Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 m/s = 2.2 mile per hour, 1 kPa = 0.145 pound per square inch, 1 m² = 10.7 square foot.
a. Table is based on ASCE 7 components and cladding wind pressures for an enclosed building using a mean roof height of 10.6 m (35 feet), interior wall area 4, an effective wind area of 0.93 m² (10 square feet), topographic factor, K_z, equal to 1.0, and Risk Category II.
b. Table is based on concrete with a minimum specified compressive strength of 17,237.5 kPa (2,500 psi).
c. See Section R608.6.5 for location of reinforcement in wall.

- d. Deflection criterion is $L/240$, where L is the unsupported height of the wall in mm (inches).
- e. Interpolation is not permitted.
- f. Where No. 4 reinforcing bars at a spacing of 1,220 mm (48 inches) are specified in the table as indicated by shaded cells, use of bars with a minimum yield strength of 275,800 kPa (40,000 psi) or 413,700 kPa (60,000 psi) is permitted.
- g. Other than for No. 4 bars spaced at 1,220 (48 inches) on center, table values are based on reinforcing bars with a minimum yield strength of 413,700 kPa (60,000 psi). Maximum spacings shown are the values calculated for the specified bar size. Where the bar used is Grade 60 and the size specified in the table, the actual spacing in the wall shall not exceed a whole-number multiple of 305 mm (12 inches) such as, 305, 610, 915, 1,220 (12, 24, 36 and 48), that is less than or equal to the tabulated spacing. Vertical reinforcement with a yield strength of less than 413,700 kPa (60,000 psi) or bars of a different size than specified in the table are permitted in accordance with Section R608.5.4.7 and Table R608.5.4(2).
- h. See Table R608.3 for minimum core dimensions and maximum spacing of horizontal and vertical cores.
- i. “Top” means gravity load from roof or floor construction bears on top of wall. “Side” means gravity load from floor construction is transferred to wall from a wood ledger or cold-formed steel track bolted to side of wall. For nonload-bearing walls and where floor framing members span parallel to the wall, the “top” bearing condition is permitted to be used.

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TABLE R608.6(3)
MINIMUM VERTICAL REINFORCEMENT FOR 150 mm SCREEN-GRID ABOVE-GRADE WALLS^{a, b, c, d, e}

MAXIMUM WIND SPEED (m/s)			MAXIMUM UNSUPPORTED WALL HEIGHT PER STORY (mm)	MINIMUM VERTICAL REINFORCEMENT-BAR DIAMETER SIZE AND SPACING (mm) ^{f, g}	
				Nominal ^h wall thickness (mm)	
Exposure Category				150	
B	C	D		Top ⁱ	Side ⁱ
51			2438	12@1200	12@1200
			2743	12@1200	16@1041
			3050	12@1200	19@1200
54			2438	12@1200	12@1200
			2743	12@1200	16@965
			3050	16@1066	19@1200
58	49		2438	12@1200	16@1041
			2743	16@1117	19@1200
			3050	16@889	19@1200
63	53	49	2438	12@1200	16@915
			2743	16@965	19@1200
			3050	19@1200	19@1200
67	57	52	2438	16@1066	19@1200
			2743	19@1200	19@1200
			3050	19@1200	19@1066
71	61	56	2438	16@940	19@1200
			2743	19@1200	19@1143
			3050	19@1117	19@965

- For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 m/s = 2.2 mile per hour, 1 kPa = 0.145 pound per square inch, 1 m² = 10.7 square foot.
- Table is based on ASCE 7 components and cladding wind pressures for an enclosed building using a mean roof height of 10.6 m (35 feet), interior wall area 4, an effective wind area of 0.93 m² (10 square feet), topographic factor, K_z , equal to 1.0, and Risk Category II.
 - Table is based on concrete with a minimum specified compressive strength of 17,238 kPa (2,500 psi).
 - See Section R608.6.5 for location of reinforcement in wall.
 - Deflection criterion is $L/240$, where L is the unsupported height of the wall in mm (inches).
 - Interpolation is not permitted.
 - Where No. 4 reinforcing bars at a spacing of 1,220 mm (48 inches) are specified in the table as indicated by shaded cells, use of bars with a minimum yield strength of 275,800 kPa (40,000 psi) or 413,700 kPa (60,000 psi) is permitted.
 - Other than for No. 4 bars spaced at 1,220 mm (48 inches) on center, table values are based on reinforcing bars with a minimum yield strength of 413,700 kPa (60,000 psi). Maximum spacings shown are the values calculated for the specified bar size. Where the bar used is Grade 60 and the size specified in the table, the actual spacing in the wall shall not exceed a whole-number multiple of 305 mm (12 inches) such as, 305, 610, 915, 1,220 (12, 24, 36 and 48,) that is less than or equal to the tabulated spacing. Vertical reinforcement with a yield strength of less than 413,700 kPa (60,000 psi) or bars of a different size than specified in the table are permitted in accordance with Section R608.5.4.7 and Table R608.5.4(2).
 - See Table R608.3 for minimum core dimensions and maximum spacing of horizontal and vertical cores.
 - “Top” means gravity load from roof or floor construction bears on top of wall. “Side” means gravity load from floor construction is transferred to wall from a wood ledger or cold-formed steel track bolted to side of wall. For nonload-bearing wall and where floor framing members span parallel to the wall, use of the “Top” bearing condition is permitted.

TABLE R608.6(4)
MINIMUM VERTICAL REINFORCEMENT FOR FLAT, WAFFLE- AND SCREEN-GRID
ABOVE-GRADE WALLS DESIGNED CONTINUOUS WITH FOUNDATION STEM WALLS^{a, b, c, d, e, k}

MAXIMUM WIND SPEED (m/s)			HEIGHT OF STEM WALL ^{h, i} (mm)	MAXIMUM DESIGN LATERAL SOIL LOAD (kPa)	MAXIMUM UNSUPPORT HEIGHT OF ABOVE-GRADE WALL (mm)	MINIMUM VERTICAL REINFORCEMENT-BAR DIAMETER SIZE AND SPACING (mm) ^{f, g}						
						Wall type and nominal thickness ^j (mm)						
Exposure Category						Flat			Waffle		Screen	
B	C	D				102	150	205	255	150	205	150
51			915	1.43	2438	12@762	12@1200	12@1200	12@1200	12@558	12@660	12@533
					3050	12@584	16@1092	12@1200	12@1200	12@431	12@510	12@405
				2.87	3050	12@482	16@940	12@1200	12@1200	12@355	12@431	12@355
			1828	1.43	3050	DR	16 @533	19@889	12@1200	DR	12@255	DR
				2.87	3050	DR	16@305	19@635	19@711	DR	DR	DR
54			915	1.43	2438	12@711	12@1200	12@1200	12@1200	12@533	12@1200	12@510
					3050	12@558	16@1041	12@1200	12@1200	12@405	12@482	12@381
				2.87	3050	12@457	16@889	12@1200	12@1200	12@355	12@431	12@330
			1828	1.43	3050	DR	16@533	19@889	12@1200	DR	12@255	DR
				2.87	3050	DR	16@305	19@635	19@711	DR	DR	DR
58	49		915	1.43	2438	12@635	12@1200	12@1200	12@1200	12@457	12@558	12@457
					3050	12@482	16@915	12@1200	12@1200	12@355	12@431	12@330
				2.87	3050	12@405	16@863	12@1200	12@1200	12@305	12@431	12@305
			1828	1.43	3050	DR	16@482	19@889	12@1200	DR	12@228	DR
				2.87	3050	DR	16@305	19@610	19@711	DR	DR	DR
63	53	49	915	1.43	2438	12@558	16@1066	12@1200	12@1200	12@405	12@510	12@405
					3050	12@431	16@863	12@1200	12@1200	12@533	12@431	12@305
				2.87	3050	12@381	16@863	12@1200	12@1200	12@279	12@431	12@255
			1828	1.43	3050	DR	16@457	19@889	19@889	DR	12@1200	DR
				2.87	3050	DR	16@279	19@584	19@711	DR	DR	DR
67	57	52	915	1.43	2438	12@510	16@940	12@1200	12@1200	12@381	12@457	12@355
					3050	12@381	16@863	12@1200	12@1200	12@279	12@431	12@279
				2.87	3050	12@330	16@863	12@1200	12@1200	12@350	12@405	12@228
			1828	1.43	3050	DR	16@431	19@838	19@812	DR	12@205	DR
				2.87	3050	DR	DR	19@558	19@711	DR	DR	DR
72	61	56	915	1.43	2438	12@457	16@863	12@1200	12@1200	12@330	12@431	12@330
					3050	12@330	16@863	12@1200	12@1200	12@3050	12@405	12@228
				2.87	3050	12@279	16@787	19@1143	12@1200	12@228	12@355	12@205
			150	14.3	3050	DR	16@381	19@787	19@762	DR	12@177	DR
				2.87	3050	DR	DR	19@533	19@685	DR	DR	DR

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 m/s = 2.2 mile per hour, 1 kPa= 0.145 pound per square inch, 1 m²=10.7 square foot.

DR = Design Required.

- Table is based on ASCE 7 components and cladding wind pressures for an enclosed building using a mean roof height of 10.6 m (35 feet), interior wall area 4, an effective wind area of 0.93 m² (10 square feet), topographic factor, K_z , equal to 1.0, and Risk Category II.
- Table is based on concrete with a minimum specified compressive strength of 17,238 kPa (2,500 psi).
- See Section R608.6.5 for location of reinforcement in wall.
- Deflection criterion is $L/240$, where L is the height of the wall in mm (inches) from the exterior finish ground level to the top of the above-grade wall.
- Interpolation is not permitted. For intermediate values of basic wind speed, heights of stem wall and above-grade wall, and design lateral soil load, use next higher value.
- Where No. 4 reinforcing bars at a spacing of 1,220 mm (48 inches) are specified in the table as indicated by shaded cells, use of bars with a minimum yield strength of 275,800 kPa (40,000 psi) or 413,700 kPa (60,000 psi) is permitted.
- Other than for No. 4 bars spaced at 1,220 mm (48 inches) on center, table values are based on reinforcing bars with a minimum yield strength of 413,700 kPa (60,000 psi). Maximum spacings shown are the values calculated for the specified bar size. In waffle and screen-grid walls where the bar used is Grade 60 and the size specified in the table, the actual spacing in the wall shall not exceed a whole-number multiple of 305 mm (12 inches) such as, 305, 610, 915, 1,220 (12, 24, 36 and 48,) that is less than or equal to the tabulated spacing. Vertical reinforcement with a yield strength of less than 60,000 psi and bars of a different size than specified in the table are permitted in accordance with Section R608.5.4.7 and Table R608.5.4(2).
- Height of stem wall is the distance from the exterior finish ground level to the top of the slab-on-ground.
- Where the distance from the exterior finish ground level to the top of the slab-on-ground is equal to or greater than 1,220 mm (4 feet), the stem wall shall be laterally supported at the top and bottom before backfilling. Where the wall is designed and constructed to be continuous with the above-grade wall, temporary supports bracing the top of the stem wall shall remain in place until the above-grade wall is laterally supported at the top by floor or roof construction.
- See Table R608.3 for tolerances on nominal thicknesses, and minimum core dimensions and maximum spacing of horizontal and vertical cores for waffle- and screen-grid walls.

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k. Tabulated values are applicable to construction where gravity loads bear on top of wall, and conditions where gravity loads from floor construction are transferred to wall from a wood ledger or cold-formed steel track bolted to side of wall. See Tables R608.6(1), R608.6(2) and R608.6(3).

TABLE R608.6(5)
MINIMUM VERTICAL REINFORCEMENT FOR CONCRETE BLOCK WALLS DIRECTLY ON CONTINUOUS FOUNDATION FOOTINGS^{a, b, c, d, e}

MAXIMUM WIND SPEED (m/s)			MAXIMUM UNSUPPORTED WALL HEIGHT PER STORY (mm)	MINIMUM VERTICAL REINFORCEMENT-BAR DIAMETER SIZE AND SPACING (mm) ^{f, g}					
				Nominal ^h wall thickness (mm)					
Exposure Category				100		150		205	
B	C	D		Top ⁱ	Side ⁱ	Top ⁱ	Side ⁱ	Top ⁱ	Side ⁱ
72	61	56	2438	12 @ 400	12 @ 400	12 @ 400	12 @ 400	12 @ 400	12 @ 400
			2743	12 @ 400	12 @ 400	12 @ 400	12 @ 400	16 @ 400	16 @ 400
			3050	16 @ 400	16 @ 400	16 @ 400	16 @ 400	16 @ 400	16 @ 400
			3355	16 @ 400	16 @ 400	16 @ 400	16 @ 400	16 @ 400	16 @ 400
			3660	16 @ 400	16 @ 400	16 @ 400	16 @ 400	16 @ 400	16 @ 400

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 m/s = 2.2 mile per hour, 1 kPa = 0.145 pound per square inch, 1 m² = 10.7 square foot.

DR = Design Required.

- Table is based on ASCE 7 components and cladding wind pressures for an enclosed building using a mean roof height of 10.6 m (35 feet), interior wall area 4, an effective wind area of 0.93 m² (10 square feet), topographic factor, K_{zt} , equal to 1.0, and Risk Category II.
- Table is based on concrete with a minimum specified compressive strength of 17,238 kPa (2,500 psi).
- See Section R608.6.5 for location of reinforcement in wall.
- Deflection criterion is $L/240$, where L is the height of the wall in mm (inches) from the exterior finish ground level to the top of the above-grade wall.
- Interpolation is not permitted. For intermediate values of basic wind speed, heights of stem wall and above-grade wall, and design lateral soil load, use next higher value.
- Where 12 mm (No. 4) reinforcing bars at a spacing of 400 mm (16 inches) are specified in the table, use of bars with a minimum yield strength of 384,000 kPa (55,692.5 psi) is permitted so long as it satisfies the requirements of JS 33.
- Other than for 12 mm diameter (No. 4) bars spaced at 400 mm (16 inches) on center, table values are based on reinforcing bars with a minimum yield strength of 384,000 kPa (55,692.5 psi). Vertical reinforcement with a yield strength of less than 384,000 kPa (55,692.5 psi) and fully satisfying the requirements of JS 33. Bars of a different size than specified in the above table are permitted in accordance with Section R608.5.4.7 and Table R608.5.4(2) if such bars' yield point is reach gradually rather than suddenly).
- See Table R608.3 for tolerances on nominal thicknesses.
- "Top" means gravity load from roof or floor construction bears on top of wall. "Side" means gravity load from floor construction is transferred to wall from a wood ledger or cold-formed steel track bolted to side of wall. For nonload-bearing walls where floor framing members span parallel to the wall, use of the "Top" bearing condition is permitted.

TABLE R608.6(6)
MINIMUM VERTICAL REINFORCEMENT FOR CONCRETE BLOCK WALLS ON CONTINUOUS FOUNDATION STEM WALLS^{a, b, c, d, e}

MAXIMUM WIND SPEED (m/s)			HEIGHT OF STEM WALL ^{h, i} (mm)	MAXIMUM DESIGN LATERAL SOIL LOAD (kPa)	MAXIMUM UNSUPPORTED WALL HEIGHT ABOVE STEM WALL (mm)	MINIMUM VERTICAL REINFORCEMENT-BAR DIAMETER SIZE AND SPACING (mm) ^{f, g}		
						Wall type and nominal thickness ⁱ (mm)		
Exposure Category						Concrete Block		
B	C	D				100	150	205
71.5	60.8	55.9	915	1.43	2438	12 @ 400	12 @ 400	12 @ 400
					2743	12 @ 400	12 @ 400	12 @ 400
					3050	16 @ 400	16 @ 400	16 @ 400
				2.87	2438	12 @ 400	12 @ 400	12 @ 400
					2743	16 @ 400	16 @ 400	16 @ 400
					3050	16 @ 400	16 @ 400	16 @ 400
			1830	1.43	2438	16 @ 400	16 @ 400	16 @ 400
					2743	16 @ 400	16 @ 400	16 @ 400
					3050	16 @ 400	16 @ 400	16 @ 400
				2.87	2438	16 @ 400	16 @ 400	16 @ 400
					2743	16 @ 400	16 @ 400	16 @ 400
					3050	16 @ 400	16 @ 400	16 @ 400

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 m/s = 2.2 mile per hour, 1 kPa = 0.145 pound per square inch, 1 m² = 10.7 square foot.

DR = Design Required.

- Table is based on ASCE 7 components and cladding wind pressures for an enclosed building using a mean roof height of 10.6 m (35 feet), interior wall area 4, an effective wind area of 0.93 m² (10 square feet), topographic factor, K_{zt} , equal to 1.0, and Risk Category II.
- Table is based on concrete with a minimum specified compressive strength of 17,238 kPa (2,500 psi).
- See Section R608.6.5 for location of reinforcement in wall.
- Deflection criterion is $L/240$, where L is the height of the wall in mm (inches) from the exterior finish ground level to the top of the above-grade wall.

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- e. Interpolation is not permitted. For intermediate values of basic wind speed, heights of stem wall and above-grade wall, and design lateral soil load, use next higher value.
- f. Where 12 mm (No. 4) reinforcing bars at a spacing of 400 mm (16 inches) are specified in the table, use of bars with a minimum yield strength of 384,000 kPa (55,692.5 psi) is permitted so long as it satisfies the requirements of JS 33.
- g. Other than for 12 mm diameter (No. 4) bars spaced at 400 mm (16 inches) on center, table values are based on reinforcing bars with a minimum yield strength of 384,000 kPa (55,692.5 psi). Vertical reinforcement with a yield strength of less than 384,000 kPa (55,692.5 psi) and fully satisfying the requirements of JS 33. Bars of a different size than specified in the above table are permitted in accordance with Section R608.5.4.7 and Table R608.5.4(2) if such bars' yield point is reached gradually rather than suddenly).
- h. See Table R608.3 for tolerances on nominal thicknesses.
- i. "Top" means gravity load from roof or floor construction bears on top of wall. "Side" means gravity load from floor construction is transferred to wall from a wood ledger or cold-formed steel track bolted to side of wall. For nonload-bearing walls where floor framing members span parallel to the wall, use of the "Top" bearing condition is permitted.

For concrete block walls the horizontal reinforcement shall be one 12 mm diameter (No. 4) bar at every two-block height or 400 mm (16 inches) on centre for load-bearing walls and one 12 mm diameter (No. 4) bar at every three-block height or 600 mm (24 inches) on centre.

R608.6.3 Continuity of wall reinforcement between stories. Vertical reinforcement required by this section shall be continuous between elements providing lateral support for the wall. Reinforcement in the wall of the *story* above shall be continuous with the reinforcement in the wall of the *story* below, or the foundation wall, if applicable. Lap splices, where required, shall comply with Section R608.5.4.3 and Figure R608.5.4(1). Where the above-grade wall is supported by a monolithic slab-on-ground and footing, dowel bars with a size and spacing to match the vertical above-grade concrete wall reinforcement shall be embedded in the monolithic slab-on-ground and footing the distance required to develop the dowel bar in tension in accordance with Section R608.5.4.4 and Figure R608.5.4(2) and lap-spliced with the above-grade wall reinforcement in accordance with Section R608.5.4.3 and Figure R608.5.4(1).

Where a construction joint in the wall is located below the level of the floor and less than the distance required to develop the bar in tension, the distance required to develop the bar in tension shall be measured from the top of the concrete below the joint. See Section R608.5.5.

Exception: Where reinforcement in the wall above cannot be made continuous with the reinforcement in the wall below, the bottom of the reinforcement in the wall above shall be terminated in accordance with one of the following:

1. Extend below the top of the floor the distance required to develop the bar in tension in accordance with Section R608.5.4.4 and Figure R608.5.4(2).
2. Lap-spliced in accordance with Section R608.5.4.3 and Figure R608.5.4(1) with a dowel bar that extends into the wall below the distance required to develop the bar in tension in accordance with Section R608.5.4.4 and Figure R608.5.4(2).

R608.6.4 Termination of reinforcement. Where indicated in Items 1 through 3, vertical wall reinforcement in the top-most *story* with concrete walls shall be terminated with a 90-degree (1.57 rad) standard hook complying with Section R608.5.4.5 and Figure R608.5.4(3).

1. Vertical bars adjacent to door and window openings required by Section R608.8.1.2.
2. Vertical bars at the ends of required solid wall segments (see Section R608.7.2.2.2).
3. Vertical bars (other than end bars, see Item 2) used as shear reinforcement in required solid wall segments where the reduction factor for design strength, R_3 , used is based on the wall having horizontal and vertical shear reinforcement (see Section R608.7.2.2.3).

The bar extension of the hook shall be oriented parallel to the horizontal wall reinforcement and be within 100 mm (4 inches) of the top of the wall.

Horizontal reinforcement shall be continuous around the building corners by bending one of the bars and lap-splicing it with the bar in the other wall in accordance with Section R608.5.4.3 and Figure R608.5.4(1).

In required solid wall segments where the reduction factor for design strength, R_3 , is based on the wall having horizontal and vertical shear reinforcement in accordance with Section R608.7.2.2.1, horizontal wall reinforcement shall be terminated with a standard hook complying with Section R608.5.4.5 and Figure R608.5.4(3) or in a lap-splice, except at corners where the reinforcement shall be continuous as required.

Exception: In lieu of bending horizontal reinforcement at corners, separate bent reinforcing bars shall be permitted provided that the bent bar is lap-spliced with the horizontal reinforcement in both walls in accordance with Section R608.5.4.3 and Figure R608.5.4(1).

R608.6.5 Location of reinforcement in wall. Except for vertical reinforcement at the ends of required solid wall segments, which shall be located as required by Section R608.7.2.2.2, the location of the vertical reinforcement shall not vary from the center of the wall by more than the greater of 10 percent of the wall thickness and 9.5 mm ($\frac{3}{8}$ -inch). Horizontal and vertical reinforcement shall be located to provide not less than the minimum cover required by Section R608.5.4.1.

R608.7 Solid walls for resistance to lateral forces.

R608.7.1 Length of solid wall. Each exterior wall line in each *story* shall have a total length of solid wall required by Section R608.7.1.1. A solid wall is a section of flat, waffle-grid or screen-grid wall, extending the full *story height* without openings or penetrations, except those permitted by Section R608.7.2. Solid wall segments that contribute to the total length of solid wall shall comply with Section R608.7.2.

R608.7.1.1 Length of solid wall for wind. Buildings shall have solid walls in each exterior endwall line (the side of a building that is parallel to the span of the roof or floor framing) and sidewall line (the side of a building that is perpendicular to the span of the roof or floor framing) to resist lateral in-plane wind forces. The site-appropriate basic wind speed and exposure category shall be used in Tables R608.7(1A) through (1C) to determine the unreduced total length, UR , of solid wall required in each exterior endwall line and sidewall line. For buildings with a mean roof height of less than 10.67 m (35 feet), the unreduced values determined from Tables R608.7(1A) through (1C) are permitted to be reduced by multiplying by the applicable factor, R_1 , from Table R608.7(2); however, reduced values shall be not less than the minimum values in Tables R608.7(1A) through (1C). Where the floor-to-ceiling height of a *story* is less than 3,050 mm (10 feet), the unreduced values determined from Tables R608.7(1A) through (1C), including minimum values, are permitted to be reduced by multiplying by the applicable factor, R_2 , from Table R608.7(3). To account for different design strengths than assumed in determining the values in Tables R608.7(1A) through (1C), the unreduced lengths determined from

Tables R608.7(1A) through (1C), including minimum

values, are permitted to be reduced by multiplying by the applicable factor, R_3 , from Table R608.7(4). The reductions permitted by Tables R608.7(2), R608.7(3) and R608.7(4) are cumulative.

The total length of solid wall segments, TL , in a wall line that comply with the minimum length requirements of Section R608.7.2.1 [see Figure R608.7(1)] shall be equal to or greater than the product of the unreduced length of solid wall from Tables R608.7(1A) through (1C), UR and the applicable reduction factors, if any, from Tables R608.7(2), R608.7(3) and R608.7(4) as indicated by Equation R6-1.

$$TL \geq R_1 \times R_2 \times R_3 \times UR \quad \text{(Equation R6-1)}$$

where:

TL = Total length of solid wall segments in a wall line that comply with Section R608.7.2.1 [see Figure R608.7(1)].

R_1 = 1.0 or reduction factor for mean roof height from Table R608.7(2).

R_2 = 1.0 or reduction factor for floor-to-ceiling wall height from Table R608.7(3).

R_3 = 1.0 or reduction factor for design strength from Table R608.7(4).

UR = Unreduced length of solid wall from Tables R608.7(1A) through (1C).

The total length of solid wall in a wall line, TL , shall be not less than that provided by two solid wall segments complying with the minimum length requirements of Section R608.7.2.1.

To facilitate determining the required wall thickness, wall type, number and *grade* of vertical bars at each end of each solid wall segment, and whether shear reinforcement is required, use of Equation R6-2 is permitted.

$$R \leq \frac{TL}{R_1 \times R_2 \times UR} \quad \text{(Equation R6-2)}$$

After determining the maximum permitted value of the reduction factor for design strength, R_3 , in accordance with Equation R6-2, select a wall type from Table R608.7(4) with R_3 less than or equal to the value calculated.

R608.7.2 Solid wall segments. Solid wall segments that contribute to the required length of solid wall shall comply with this section. Reinforcement shall be provided in accordance with Section R608.7.2.2 and Table R608.7(4). Solid wall segments shall extend the full story-height without openings, other than openings for the utilities and other building services passing through the wall. In flat walls and waffle-grid walls, such openings shall have an area of less than 19,355 mm² (30 square inches) without any dimension exceeding 159 mm (6¹/₄ inches), and shall not be located within 150 mm (6 inches) of the side edges of the solid wall segment. In screen-grid walls, such openings shall be

opening size and location are not restricted provided there is not any concrete removed.

R608.7.2.1 Minimum length of solid wall segment and maximum spacing. Only solid wall segments equal to or greater than 610 mm (24 inches) in length shall be included in the total length of solid wall required by Section R608.7.1. In addition, not more than two solid wall segments equal to or greater than 610 mm (24 inches) in length and less than 1,220 mm (48 inches) in length shall be included in the required total length of solid wall. The maximum clear opening width shall be 5,486 mm (18 feet). See Figure R608.7(1).

R608.7.2.2 Reinforcement in solid wall segments.

R608.7.2.2.1 Horizontal shear reinforcement.

Where reduction factors for design strength, R_3 , from Table R608.7(4) based on horizontal and vertical shear reinforcement being provided are used, solid wall segments shall have horizontal reinforcement consisting of minimum No. 4 bars. Horizontal shear reinforcement shall be the same grade of steel required for the vertical reinforcement at the ends of solid wall segments by Section R608.7.2.2.2.

The spacing of horizontal reinforcement shall not exceed the smaller of one-half the length of the solid wall segment, minus 51 mm (2 inches), and 457 mm (18 inches). Horizontal shear reinforcement shall terminate in accordance with Section R608.6.4.

R608.7.2.2.2 Vertical reinforcement. Vertical reinforcement applicable to the reduction factor(s) for design strength, R_3 , from Table R608.7(4) that is used, shall be located at each end of each solid wall segment in accordance with the applicable detail in Figure R608.7(2). The No. 4 vertical bar required on each side of an opening by Section R608.8.1.2 is permitted to be used as reinforcement at the ends of

solid wall segments where installed in accordance with the applicable detail in Figure R608.7(2). There shall be not less than two No. 4 bars at each end of located in the portion of the solid wall segment between horizontal and vertical cores of concrete and solid wall segments located as required by the applicable detail in Figure R608.7(2). One of the bars at each end of solid wall segments shall be deemed to meet the requirements for vertical wall reinforcement required by Section R608.6.

The vertical wall reinforcement at each end of each solid wall segment shall be developed below the bottom of the adjacent wall opening [see Figure R608.7(3)] by one of the following methods:

1. Where the wall height below the bottom of the adjacent opening is equal to or greater than 559 mm (22 inches) for No. 4 or 710 mm (28 inches) for No. 5 vertical wall reinforcement, reinforcement around openings in accordance with Section R608.8.1 shall be sufficient.
2. Where the wall height below the bottom of the

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adjacent opening is less than required by Item 1, the vertical wall reinforcement adjacent to the opening shall extend into the footing far

TABLE R608.7(1A)
UNREDUCED LENGTH, *U_R*, OF SOLID WALL REQUIRED IN EACH EXTERIOR ENDWALL
FOR WIND PERPENDICULAR TO RIDGE ONE STORY OR TOP STORY OF TWO STORY^{a, c, d, e, f, g}

SIDEWALL LENGTH (mm)	ENDWALL LENGTH (mm)	ROOF SLOPE	UNREDUCED LENGTH, <i>U_R</i> , OF SOLID WALL REQUIRED IN ENDWALLS FOR WIND PERPENDICULAR TO RIDGE (mm)							
			Basic Wind Speed (m/s) Exposure							Minimum ^b
			51B	53B	53B	62B	67B	71B		
			—	—	49C	53C	57C	61C		
—	—	—	49D	52D	56D					
4572	4572	< 1:12	314	341	402	466	537	610	280	
		5:12	436	475	558	646	741	844	351	
		7:12	610	664	780	905	1039	1182	381	
		12:12	975	1060	1247	1445	1158	1887	469	
	9145	< 1:12	314	341	402	466	537	610	299	
		5:12	436	475	558	646	741	844	436	
		7:12	848	924	1085	1258	1444	1643	500	
		12:12	1576	1716	2015	2337	2682	3051	674	
	13716	< 1:12	314	341	402	466	536	610	317	
		5:12	436	475	558	446	741	844	524	
		7:12	1088	1182	1390	1609	1850	2103	619	
		12:12	2179	2371	2783	3228	3706	4218	881	
	18288	< 1:12	314	341	402	466	536	610	332	
		5:12	436	475	558	646	741	844	613	
		7:12	1326	1441	1692	1962	2252	2563	738	
		12:12	2780	3027	11.66	4121	4730	5383	1088	
9145	4572	< 1:12	561	613	716	832	954	1088	555	
		5:12	780	847	997	1155	1325	1509	680	
		7:12	1100	1198	1405	1628	1868	2128	738	
		12:12	1709	1859	2182	2532	2908	3307	893	
	9145	< 1:12	561	613	716	832	954	1088	588	
		5:12	780	847	997	1155	1326	1509	838	
		7:12	1500	1630	1914	2221	2551	2901	951	
		12:12	2719	2960	3471	4029	4624	5261	1262	
	13716	< 1:12	561	613	716	832	954	1088	619	
		5:12	780	847	997	1155	1326	1509	994	
		7:12	1899	2067	2426	2813	3230	3675	1164	
		12:12	3727	4057	4764	5523	6340	7215	1634	
	18288	< 1:12	561	613	716	832	954	1088	652	
		5:12	780	847	997	1155	1326	1509	1152	
		7:12	2298	2502	2938	3405	3911	4050	1378	
		12:12	4737	5157	6053	7020	8059	9168	2003	

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TABLE R608.7(1A)—continued
UNREDUCED LENGTH, *U_R*, OF SOLID WALL REQUIRED IN EACH EXTERIOR ENDWALL
FOR WIND PERPENDICULAR TO RIDGE ONE STORY OR TOP STORY OF TWO STORY^{a, c, d, e, f, g}

SIDEWALL LENGTH (mm)	ENDWALL LENGTH (mm)	ROOF SLOPE	UNREDUCED LENGTH, <i>U_R</i> , OF SOLID WALL REQUIRED IN ENDWALLS FOR WIND PERPENDICULAR TO RIDGE (mm)							
			Basic Wind Speed (m/s) Exposure							Minimum ^b
			51B	53B	58B	62B	67B	71B		
			—	—	49C	53C	57C	61C		
—	—	—	49D	52D	56D					
18288	4572	< 1:12	1042	1133.8	1328	1542	1770	2014	1106	
		5:12	1448	1737	1847	2143	2460	2801	1341	
		7:12	2060	2243	2633	3054	3508	3989	1448	
		12:12	3155	3435	4032	4675	5368	6217	1740	
	9145	< 1:12	1042	1134	1328	1542	1774	2014	1167	
		5:12	1448	1575	1847	2142	2459	2801	1637	
		7:12	2780	3026	3553	4120	4730	5382	1850	
		12:12	4968	5410	6348	7363	8452	9616	2438	
	13716	< 1:12	1082	1179	1383	1606	1844	2097	1228	
		5:12	1505	1637	1923	2228	2560	2910	1932	
		7:12	3569	3886	4563	5291	6074	6909	2252	
		12:12	6946	7531	8839	10263	11771	13392	3136	
	18288	< 1:12	3417	1222	1435	1664	1911	2173	1289	
		5:12	1558	1697	1932	2310	2651	3017	2228	
		7:12	4383	4773	5599	6495	7455	8482	2654	
		12:12	8931	9723	11411	13234	15194	17291	3831	

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 m/s = 2.2 mile per hour, 1 kN/m = 0.0145 pound-force per linear foot, 1 Pa = 0.02 pound per square foot.

- a. Tabulated lengths were derived by calculating design wind pressures in accordance with Figure 28.4-1 of ASCE 7 for a building with a mean roof height of 10.67 m (35 feet), topographic factor, K_{zt} , equal to 1.0, and Risk Category II. For wind perpendicular to the ridge, the effects of a 610 mm (2-foot) overhang on each endwall are included. The design pressures were used to calculate forces to be resisted by solid wall segments in each. The forces to be resisted by each wall line were then divided by the default design strength of 12.3 kN/m (840 pounds per linear foot) of length to determine the unreduced length, U_R , of solid wall length required in each endwall. The actual mean roof height of the building shall not exceed the least horizontal dimension of the building.
- b. Tabulated lengths in the “minimum” column are based on the requirement of Section 28.4.4 of ASCE 7 that the main windforce-resisting system be designed for a minimum pressure of 766 Pa (16 psf) multiplied by the wall area of the building and 383 Pa (8 psf) multiplied by the roof area of the building projected onto a vertical plane normal to the assumed wind direction. Tabulated lengths in shaded cells are less than the “minimum” value. Where the minimum controls, it is permitted to be reduced in accordance with Notes c, d and e. See Section R608.7.1.1.
- c. For buildings with a mean roof height of less than 10.67 m (35 feet), tabulated lengths are permitted to be reduced by multiplying by the appropriate factor, R_1 , from Table R608.7(2). The reduced length shall be not less than the “minimum” value shown in the table.
- d. Tabulated lengths for “one story or top story of two story” are based on a floor-to-ceiling height of 3,050 mm (10 feet). Tabulated lengths for “first story of two story” are based on floor-to-ceiling heights of 3,050 mm (10 feet) each for the first and second story. For floor-to-ceiling heights less than assumed, use the lengths in this table or Table R608.7 (1B) or (1C), or multiply the value in the table by the reduction factor, R_2 , from Table R608.7(3).
- e. Tabulated lengths are based on the default design shear strength of 12.3 kN/m (840 pounds per linear foot) of solid wall segment. The tabulated lengths are permitted to be reduced by multiplying by the applicable reduction factor for design strength, R_3 , from Table R608.7(4).
- f. The reduction factors, R_1 , R_2 and R_3 , in Tables R608.7(2), R608.7(3), and R608.7(4), respectively, are permitted to be compounded, subject to the limitations of Note b. However, the minimum number and minimum length of solid wall segments in each wall line shall comply with Sections R608.7.1 and R608.7.2.1, respectively.
- g. For intermediate values of sidewall length, endwall length, roof slope and basic wind speed, use the next higher value, or determine by interpolation.

TABLE R608.7(1B)
UNREDUCED LENGTH, UR, OF SOLID WALL REQUIRED IN EACH EXTERIOR ENDWALL
FOR WIND PERPENDICULAR TO RIDGE FIRST STORY OF TWO STORY^{a, c, d, e, f, g}

SIDEWALL LENGTH (mm)	ENDWALL LENGTH (mm)	ROOF SLOPE	UNREDUCED LENGTH, UR, OF SOLID WALL REQUIRED IN ENDWALLS FOR WIND PERPENDICULAR TO RIDGE (mm)							
			Basic Wind Speed (m/s) Exposure							Minimum ^b
			51B	53B	58B	62B	67B	71B		
			—	—	49C	53C	57C	61C		
—	—	—	49D	52D	56D					
4572	4572	< 1:12	908	991	1161	1347	1545	1758	774	
		5:12	1258	1372	1609	1865	2142	2438	841	
		7:12	1313	1433	1679	1948	2237	2545	875	
		12:12	1679	1828	2145	2487	2855	3249	960	
	9145	< 1:12	908	991	1161	1447	1545	1758	789	
		5:12	1258	1372	1609	1865	2142	2438	929	
		7:12	1551	1691	1984	2301	2642	3005	993	
		12:12	2280	2484	2913	3380	3880	4416	1167	
	13716	< 1:12	908	991	1161	1347	1545	1758	808	
		5:12	1259	1372	1609	1865	2142	2438	1018	
		7:12	1792	1950	2289	2654	3050	3465	1112	
		12:12	2883	3139	3685	4273	4904	5581	1374	
	18288	< 1:12	908	991	1161	1347	1545	1758	826	
		5:12	4.13	1372	1609	1865	2142	2438	1106	
		7:12	6.66	2209	2593	3008	3450	3928	1231	
		12:12	3484	3794	4453	5163	5928	6745	1582	
9145	4572	< 1:12	1622	1764	2072	2404	2758	3139	1542	
		5:12	2252	2450	2877	3337	3831	4358	1667	
		7:12	2420	2636	3093	3587	4118	4685	1722	
		12:12	3030	3297	3871	4490	5154	5864	1880	
	10668	< 1:12	1622	1764	2072	2405	2758	3139	1573	
		5:12	2252	2450	2877	3337	3831	4358	1822	
		7:12	2819	3069	3602	4179	4798	5458	1935	
		12:12	4039	4398	5160	5986	6870	7818	2249	
	13716	< 1:12	1622	1764	2072	7.89	9.05	10.30	5.27	
		5:12	2252	2450	2877	3338	3831	4358	1981	
		7:12	3219	3505	4115	4770	5477	6233	2152	
		12:12	5047	5496	6450	7483	8589	9772	2621	
	10668	< 1:12	1622	1765	2072	2405	2758	3139	1640	
		5:12	2252	2451	2877	3338	3831	4358	2136	

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		7:12	3618	3941	4623	5364	6156	7004	236 5
		12:12	6056	6595	7742	8976	10305	11726	299 0

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TABLE R608.7(1B)—continued
UNREDUCED LENGTH, *UR*, OF SOLID WALL REQUIRED IN EACH EXTERIOR ENDWALL
FOR WIND PERPENDICULAR TO RIDGE FIRST STORY OF TWO STORY^{a, c, d, e, f, g}

SIDEWALL LENGTH (mm)	ENDWALL LENGTH (mm)	ROOF SLOPE	UNREDUCED LENGTH, <i>UR</i> , OF SOLID WALL REQUIRED IN ENDWALLS FOR WIND PERPENDICULAR TO RIDGE (mm)							
			Basic Wind Speed (m/s) Exposure							Minimum ^b
			51B	53B	58B	62B	67B	71B		
			—	—	49C	53C	57C	61C		
—	—	—	49D	52D	56D					
18288	4572	< 1:12	3008	3273	3843	4456	5117	5822	3078	
		5:12	4179	4550	5340	6193	7110	8089	3313	
		7:12	4596	5004	5873	6812	7821	8900	3419	
		12:12	5690	6196	7272	8433	9683	11015	3715	
	9145	< 1:12	3008	3273	3843	4456	5117	5821	3139	
		5:12	4178	4550	5340	6193	7110	8089	3611	
		7:12	5315	5788	6793	7879	9043	10290	3822	
		12:12	7504	8171	9589	11122	12768	14526	4413	
	13716	< 1:12	3130	3407	3998	4636	5324	6056	3200	
		5:12	4346	4730	5553	6440	7394	8412	3907	
		7:12	6160	6708	7872	9128	10482	11923	4224	
		12:12	9509	10354	12152	14090	16175	18406	5108	
	18288	< 1:12	3243	3532	4145	4806	5519	6278	3261	
		5:12	4502	4904	5754	6675	7662	8717	4203	
		7:12	7025	7647	8976	10408	11951	13597	4226	
		12:12	11573	12600	14788	17151	19690	22399	5806	

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 m/s = 2.2 mile per hour, 1 kN/m = 0.0145 pound force per linear foot, 1 Pa = 0.02 pound per square foot .

- a. Tabulated lengths were derived by calculating design wind pressures in accordance with Figure 28.4-1 of ASCE 7 for a building with a mean roof height of 10.6 m (35 feet), topographic factor, K_{zt} , equal to 1.0, and Risk Category II. For wind perpendicular to the ridge, the effects of a 610 mm (2-foot) overhang on each endwall are included. The design pressures were used to calculate forces to be resisted by solid wall segments in each endwall. The forces to be resisted by each wall line were then divided by the default design strength of 12.3 kN/m (840 pounds per linear foot) of length to determine the unreduced length, *UR*, of solid wall length required in each endwall. The actual mean roof height of the building shall not exceed the least horizontal dimension of the building.
- b. Tabulated lengths in the “minimum” column are based on the requirement of Section 28.4.4 of ASCE 7 that the main windforce-resisting system be designed for a minimum pressure of 48,646 Pa (1016 psf) multiplied by the wall area of the building and 383 Pa (8 psf) multiplied by the roof area of the building projected onto a vertical plane normal to the assumed wind direction. Tabulated lengths in shaded cells are less than the “minimum” value. Where the minimum controls, it is permitted to be reduced in accordance with Notes c, d and e. See Section R608.7.1.1.
- c. For buildings with a mean roof height of less than 10.6 m (35 feet), tabulated lengths are permitted to be reduced by multiplying by the appropriate factor, R_1 , from Table R608.7(2). The reduced length shall be not less than the “minimum” value shown in the table.
- d. Tabulated lengths for “one story or top story of two story” are based on a floor-to-ceiling height of 3,050 mm (10 feet). Tabulated lengths for “first story of two story” are based on floor-to-ceiling heights of 3,050 mm (10 feet) each for the first and second story. For floor-to-ceiling heights less than assumed, use the lengths in this table or Table R608.7(1A) or (1C), or multiply the value in the table by the reduction factor, R_2 , from Table R608.7(3).
- e. Tabulated lengths are based on the default design shear strength of 12.3 kN/m (840 pounds per linear foot) of solid wall segment. The tabulated lengths are permitted to be reduced by multiplying by the applicable reduction factor for design strength, R_3 , from Table R608.7(4).
- f. The reduction factors, R_1 , R_2 and R_3 , in Tables R608.7(2), R608.7(3), and R608.7(4), respectively, are permitted to be compounded, subject to the limitations of Note b. However, the minimum number and minimum length of solid wall segments in each wall line shall comply with Sections R608.7.1 and R608.7.2.1, respectively.
- g. For intermediate values of sidewall length, endwall length, roof slope and basic wind speed, use the next higher value, or determine by interpolation.

TABLE R608.7(1C)
UNREDUCED LENGTH, *U_R*, OF SOLID WALL REQUIRED IN EACH
EXTERIOR SIDEWALL FOR WIND PARALLEL TO RIDGE^{a, c, d, e, f, g}

SIDEWALL LENGTH (mm)	ENDWALL LENGTH (mm)	ROOF SLOPE	UNREDUCED LENGTH, <i>U_R</i> , OF SOLID WALL REQUIRED IN SIDEWALLS FOR WIND PARALLEL TO RIDGE (mm)							
			Basic Wind Speed (m/s) Exposure							Minimum ^b
			51B	53B	58B	62B	67B	71B		
			—	—	49C	53C	57C	61C		
—	—	—	49D	52D	56D					
			One story or top story of two story							
< 9145	4572	< 1:12	329	360	423	161	560	640	274	
		5:12	393	426	503	582	667	758	329	
		7:12	420	457	536	621	716	813	356	
		12:12	496	542	637	737	847	963	423	
	9145	< 1:12	615	670	789	915	1048	1194	579	
		5:12	832	905	1060	1231	1414	1609	798	
		7:12	929	1011	1185	1374	1578	1795	899	
		12:12	1167	1301	1530	1773	2036	2316	1176	
	13716	< 1:12	923	1005	1179	1368	1569	1786	911	
		5:12	1386	1511	1773	2057	2359	2685	1408	
		7:12	1597	1740	2042	2368	2718	3093	1633	
		12:12	2182	2374	2785	3233	3709	4221	2252	
	18288	< 1:12	1252	1362	1600	1856	2130	2426	1274	
		5:12	2066	2252	2642	3063	3517	4002	2154	
		7:12	2438	2654	3115	3611	4148	4718	2554	
		12:12	3459	3767	4422	5126	5885	6696	3657	
18288	13716	< 1:12	966	1054	1237	1432	1645	1871	911	
		5:12	1447	1578	1850	2145	2465	2804	1408	
		7:12	1667	1816	2130	2471	2837	3227	1633	
		12:12	2270	2471	2901	3364	3864	4398	2252	
	18288	< 1:12	1344	1466	1719	1993	2289	2602	1274	
		5:12	2200	2395	2813	3261	3745	4261	2154	
		7:12	2590	2819	3310	3837	4407	5013	2554	
		12:12	3663	3989	4681	5428	6233	7092	3657	

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TABLE R608.7(1C)—continued
UNREDUCED LENGTH, *U_R*, OF SOLID WALL REQUIRED IN EACH
EXTERIOR SIDEWALL FOR WIND PARALLEL TO RIDGE^{a, c, d, e, f, g}

SIDEWALL LENGTH (mm)	ENDWALL LENGTH (mm)	ROOF SLOPE	UNREDUCED LENGTH, <i>U_R</i> , OF SOLID WALL REQUIRED IN SIDEWALLS FOR WIND PARALLEL TO RIDGE (mm)						Minimum ^b
			Basic Wind Speed Exposure (m/s)						
			51B	53B	58B	62B	67B	71B	
			—	—	49C	53C	57C	61C	
			—	—	—	49D	52D	56D	
			First story of two story						
< 9145	4572	< 1:12	923	1005	1182	1368	1572	1789	768
		5:12	987	1072	1261	1463	1679	1908	822
		7:12	1015	1103	1295	1502	1725	1962	850
		12:12	1091	1188	1395	1618	1859	2115	917
	9145	< 1:12	1676	1825	2142	2487	2852	3246	1566
		5:12	1892	2060	2417	2804	3218	3660	1786
		7:12	1987	2164	2542	2947	3383	3849	1886
		12:12	2258	2456	2883	3343	3840	4367	2164
	13716	< 1:12	2438	2654	3115	3611	4148	4718	2392
		5:12	2901	3160	3709	4300	4937	5617	2889
		7:12	3112	3389	3977	4614	5297	6025	3112
		12:12	3697	4023	4727	5477	6288	7153	3733
	18288	< 1:12	3218	3505	4114	4770	5477	6230	3246
		5:12	4035	4392	5154	5980	6864	7808	4126
		7:12	4404	4794	5626	6525	7491	8525	4526
		12:12	17.80	19.38	6934	8040	9232	10503	5632
18288	13716	< 1:12	2557	2785	3267	3791	4352	4953	2392
		5:12	3038	3310	3883	4504	5172	5882	2889
		7:12	3258	3547	4163	4828	5544	6306	3112
		12:12	3861	4206	4934	5724	6571	7476	3733
	18288	< 1:12	3465	3773	4428	5135	5897	6708	3246
		5:12	4322	4706	5522	6406	7354	8366	4126
		7:12	4712	5129	6019	6982	8013	9119	4526
		12:12	5785	6297	7391	8574	9841	11198	5632

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 m/s = 2.2 mile per hour, 1 kN/m = 0.0145 pound-force per linear foot, 1 Pa = 0.02 pound per square foot.

- Tabulated lengths were derived by calculating design wind pressures in accordance with Figure 28.4-1 of ASCE 7 for a building with a mean roof height of 10.6 m (35 feet), topographic factor, K_z , equal to 1.0, and Risk Category II. The design pressures were used to calculate forces to be resisted by solid wall segments in each sidewall. The forces to be resisted by each wall line were then divided by the default design strength of 12.3 kN/m (840 pounds per linear foot) of length to determine the unreduced length, U_R , of solid wall length required in each sidewall. The actual mean roof height of the building shall not exceed the least horizontal dimension of the building.
- Tabulated lengths in the “minimum” column are based on the requirement of Section 28.4.4 of ASCE 7 that the main windforce-resisting system be designed for a minimum pressure of 766 Pa (16 psf) multiplied by the wall area of the building and 383 Pa (8 psf) multiplied by the roof area of the building projected onto a vertical plane normal to the assumed wind direction. Tabulated lengths in shaded cells are less than the “minimum” value. Where the minimum controls, it is permitted to be reduced in accordance with Notes c, d and e. See Section R608.7.1.1.
- For buildings with a mean roof height of less than 10.6 m (35 feet), tabulated lengths are permitted to be reduced by multiplying by the appropriate factor, R_1 , from Table R608.7(2). The reduced length shall be not less than the “minimum” value shown in the table.
- Tabulated lengths for “one story or top story of two story” are based on a floor-to-ceiling height of 3,050 mm (10 feet). Tabulated lengths for “first story of two story” are based on floor-to-ceiling heights of 3,050 mm (10 feet) each for the first and second story. For floor-to-ceiling heights less than assumed, use the lengths in this table or Table R608.7(1A) or (1B), or multiply the value in the table by the reduction factor, R_2 , from Table R608.7(3).
- Tabulated lengths are based on the default design shear strength of 12.3 kN/m (840 pounds per linear foot) of solid wall segment. The tabulated lengths are permitted to be reduced by multiplying by the applicable reduction factor for design strength, R_3 , from Table R608.7(4).
- The reduction factors, R_1 , R_2 , and R_3 , in Tables R608.7(2), R608.7(3), and R608.7(4), respectively, are permitted to be compounded, subject to the limitations of Note b. However, the minimum number and minimum length of solid walls segments in each wall line shall comply with Sections R608.7.1 and R608.7.2.1, respectively.
- For intermediate values of sidewall length, endwall length, roof slope and basic wind speed, use the next higher value, or determine by interpolation.

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TABLE R608.7(2)
REDUCTION FACTOR, R_1 , FOR BUILDINGS WITH MEAN ROOF HEIGHT LESS THAN 10.6 m ^a

MEAN ROOF HEIGHT ^{b, c} (mm)	REDUCTION FACTOR R_1 , FOR MEAN ROOF HEIGHT		
	Exposure category		
	B	C	D
< 4572	293	256	265
6096	293	271	277
7620	293	283	286
9145	293	295	298
10668	305	305	305

For Inch Pound Units : 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 degree = 0.0175 rad.

- a. See Section R608.7.1.1 and Note c to Table R608.7(1A) for application of reduction factors in this table. This reduction is not permitted for “minimum” values.
- b. For intermediate values of mean roof height, use the factor for the next greater height, or determine by interpolation.
- c. Mean roof height is the average of the roof eave height and height of the highest point on the roof surface, except that for roof slopes of less than or equal to 2¹/₈:12 (10 degrees), the mean roof height is permitted to be taken as the roof eave height.

TABLE R608.7(3)
REDUCTION FACTOR, R_2 , FOR FLOOR-TO-CEILING WALL HEIGHTS LESS THAN 3050 mm ^{a, b}

STORY UNDER CONSIDERATION	FLOOR-TO-CEILING HEIGHT ^c (mm)	ENDWALL LENGTH (mm)	ROOF SLOPE	REDUCTION FACTOR, R_2
Endwalls—for wind perpendicular to ridge				
One story or top story of two story	2438	4572	< 5:12	252
			7:12	274
			12:12	286
		18288	< 5:12	252
			7:12	289
			12:12	298
First story of two story	4876 combined first and second story	4572	< 5:12	252
			7:12	262
			12:12	271
		18288	< 5:12	252
			7:12	277
			12:12	289
Sidewalls—for wind parallel to ridge				
One story or top story of two story	2438	4572	< 1:12	256
			5:12	265
			7:12	268
			12:12	271
		18288	< 1:12	262
			5:12	280
			7:12	283
			12:12	289
First story of two story	4876 combined first and second story	4572	< 1:12	252
			5:12	256
			7:12	259
			12:12	262
		18288	< 1:12	256
			5:12	265
			7:12	268
			12:12	274

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.00328 foot.

- a. See Section R608.7.1.1 and Note d to Table R608.7(1A) for application of reduction factors in this table.
- b. For intermediate values of endwall length and roof slope, use the next higher value or determine by interpolation.

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- c. Tabulated values in Table R608.7(1A) and (1C) for “one story or top story of two story” are based on a floor-to-ceiling height of 3,050 mm (10 feet). Tabulated values in Table R608.7(1B) and (1C) for “first story of two story” are based on floor-to-ceiling heights of 3,050 mm (10 feet) each for the first and second story. For floor-to-ceiling heights between those shown in this table and those assumed in Table R608.7(1A), (1B) or (1C), use the solid wall lengths in Table R608.7(1A), (1B) or (1C), or determine the reduction factor by interpolating between 1.0 and the factor shown in this table.

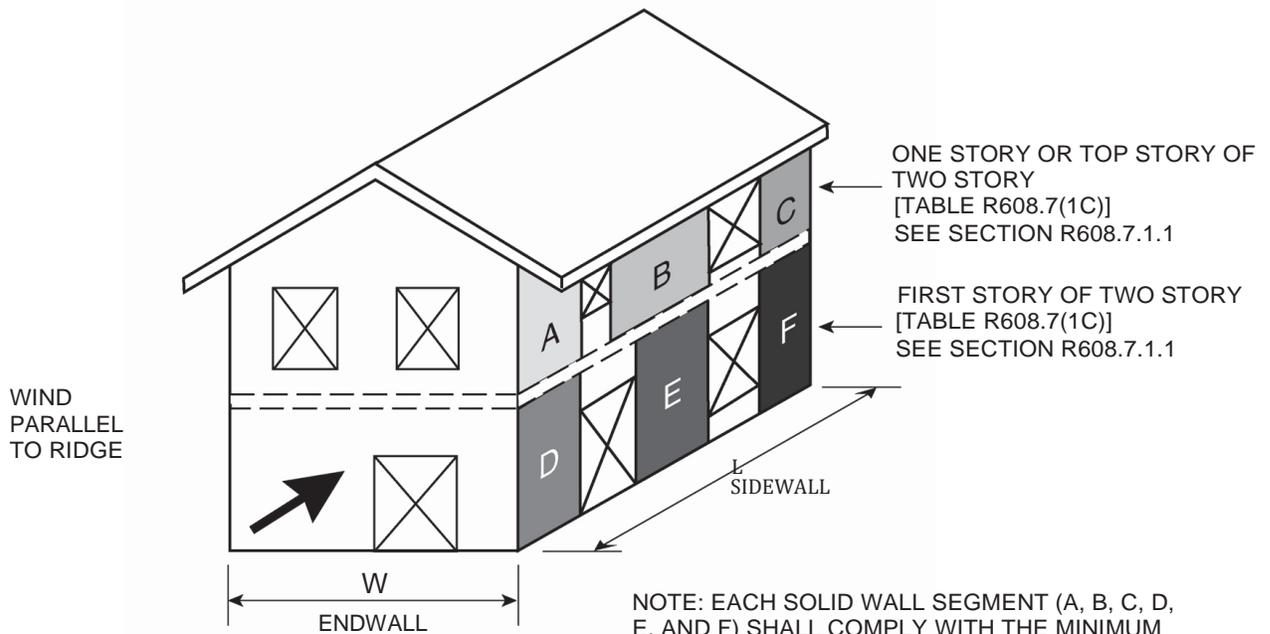
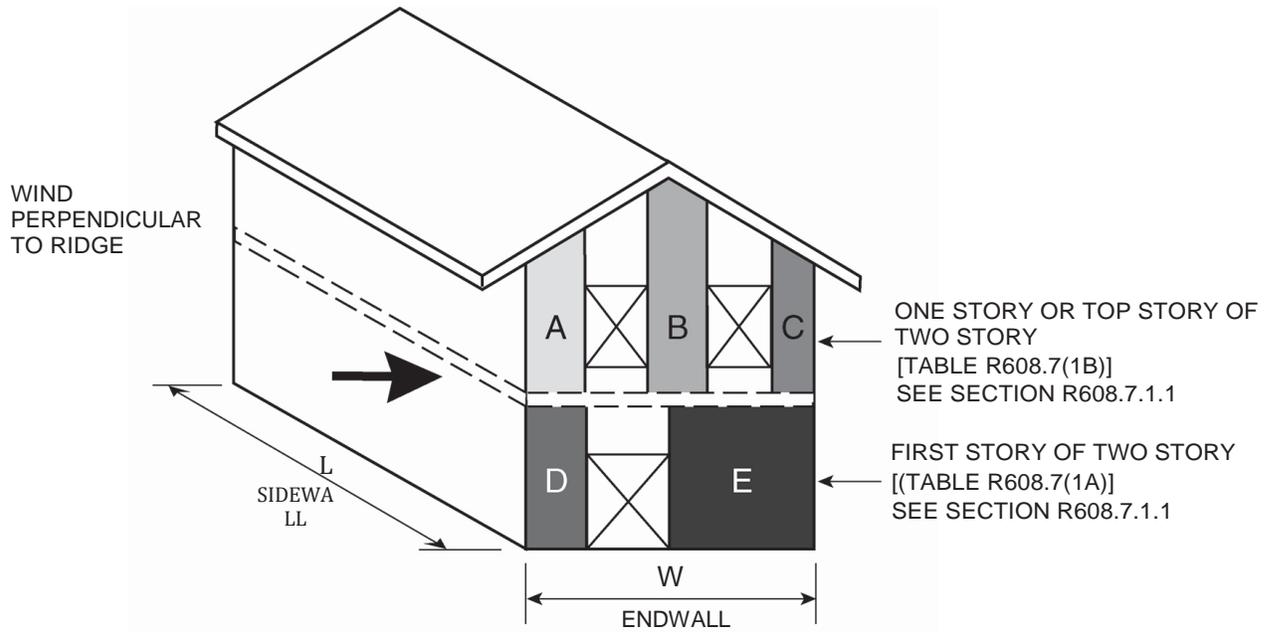
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TABLE R608.7(4)
REDUCTION FACTOR FOR DESIGN STRENGTH, R_3 , FOR FLAT, WAFFLE- AND SCREEN-GRID WALLS^{a, c}

NOMINAL THICKNESS OF WALL (mm)	VERTICAL BARS AT EACH END OF SOLID WALL SEGMENT		VERTICAL REINFORCEMENT LAYOUT DETAIL [see Figure R608.7(2)]	REDUCTION FACTOR, R_3 , FOR LENGTH OF SOLID WALL			
	Number of bars	Bar size		Horizontal and vertical shear reinforcement provided			
				No		Yes ^d	
				275 ^b	413 ^b	275 ^b	413 ^b
Flat walls							
102	2	102	1	0.74	0.61	0.74	0.50
	3	102	2	0.61	0.61	0.52	0.27
	2	127	1	0.61	0.61	0.48	0.25
	3	127	2	0.61	0.61	0.26	0.18
150	2	102	3	0.70	0.48	0.70	0.48
	3	102	4	0.49	0.38	0.49	0.33
	2	127	3	0.46	0.38	0.46	0.31
	3	127	4	0.38	0.38	0.32	0.16
205	2	102	3	0.70	0.47	0.70	0.47
	3	102	5	0.47	0.32	0.47	0.32
	2	127	3	0.45	0.31	0.45	0.31
	4	102	6	0.36	0.28	0.36	0.25
	3	127	5	0.31	0.28	0.31	0.16
	4	127	6	0.28	0.28	0.24	0.12
255	2	102	3	0.70	0.47	0.70	0.47
	2	127	3	0.45	0.30	0.45	0.30
	4	102	7	0.36	0.25	0.36	0.25
	6	102	8	0.25	0.22	0.25	0.13
	4	127	7	0.24	0.22	0.24	0.12
	6	127	8	0.22	0.22	0.12	0.08
Waffle-grid walls^e							
150	2	102	3	0.78	0.78	0.70	0.48
	3	102	4	0.78	0.78	0.49	0.25
	2	127	3	0.78	0.78	0.46	0.23
	3	127	4	0.78	0.78	0.24	0.16
205	2	102	3	0.78	0.78	0.70	0.47
	3	102	5	0.78	0.78	0.47	0.24
	2	127	3	0.78	0.78	0.45	0.23
	4	102	6	0.78	0.78	0.36	0.18
	3	127	5	0.78	0.78	0.23	0.16
	4	127	6	0.78	0.78	0.18	0.13
Screen-grid walls^e							
150	2	102	3	0.93	0.93	0.70	0.48
	3	102	4	0.93	0.93	0.49	0.25
	2	127	3	0.93	0.93	0.46	0.23
	3	127	4	0.93	0.93	0.24	0.16

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1,000 MPa = 145038 pounds per square inch .

- a. See Note e to Table R608.7(1A) for application of adjustment factors in this table.
- b. Yield strength in MPa (pounds per square inch) of vertical wall reinforcement at ends of solid wall segments.
- c. Values are based on concrete with a specified compressive strength, f'_c , of 17.2 MPa (2,500 psi). Where concrete with f'_c of not less than 20.6 MPa (3,000 psi) is used, values in shaded cells are permitted to be decreased by multiplying by 0.91.
- d. Horizontal and vertical shear reinforcement shall be provided in accordance with Section R608.7.2.2.
- e. Each end of each solid wall segment shall have rectangular flanges. In the through-the-wall dimension, the flange shall be not less than 140 mm (5½ inches) for 150 mm (6-inch)- nominal waffle- and screen-grid walls, and not less than 190 mm (7½ inches) for 205 mm (8-inch)-nominal waffle-grid walls. In the in-plane dimension, flanges shall be long enough to accommodate the vertical reinforcement required by the layout detail selected from Figure R608.7(2) and provide the cover required by Section R608.5.4.1. If necessary to achieve the required dimensions, form material shall be removed or use of flat wall forms is permitted.



NOTE: EACH SOLID WALL SEGMENT (A, B, C, D, E, AND F) SHALL COMPLY WITH THE MINIMUM SOLID WALL SEGMENT LENGTH IN ORDER TO BE APPLICABLE TO THE MINIMUM SOLID WALL LENGTH EQUATIONS IN SECTION R608.7.1.1. SEE SECTION R608.7.2

FIGURE R608.7(1)
MINIMUM SOLID WALL LENGTH

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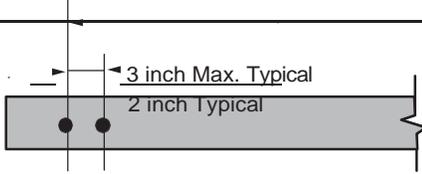
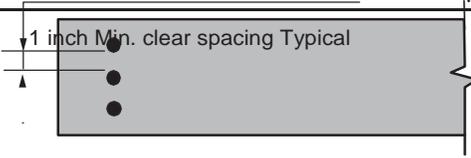
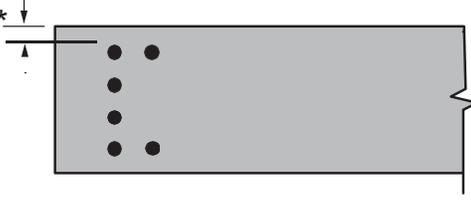
DETAIL NO.	NOM. WALL THICKNESS, mm.	REINFORCEMENT LAYOUT AT ENDS OF SOLID WALL SEGMENTS	NOTES
1	102		<p>For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch.</p>
2	102		<p>1. See Table R608.7(4) for use of details.</p>
3	150 205 255		<p>2. Minimum length of solid wall segment and size and grade of reinforcement in each end of each solid wall segment shall be determined from Table R608.7(4).</p>
4	150		<p>3. For minimum cover requirements, see Section R608.5.4.1.</p>
5	205		<p>4. For details 3 - 8 where two or more bars are in the same row parallel to the end of the segment, place bars so that corner bars are as close to the sides of the wall segments as minimum cover requirements of Section R608.5.4.1 will permit.</p>
6	205		<p>5.. For waffle- and screen-grid walls, each end of each solid wall segment shall have rectangular flanges. In the through-the-wall dimension, the flange shall be not less than 140 mm for 150 mm nominal waffle- and screen-grid forms, and not less than 190 mm for 205 mm nominal waffle- grid forms. In the in-plane dimension, flanges shall be long enough to accommodate the vertical reinforcement required by the layout detail selected and provide the cover required by Section R608.5.4.1. If necessary to achieve the required dimensions, form material shall be removed or flat wall forms are permitted. See Table R608.7(4), Note e.</p>
7	255		
8	255	 <p>* For minimum cover see Section R608.5.4.1</p>	

FIGURE R608.7(2)
VERTICAL REINFORCEMENT LAYOUT DETAIL

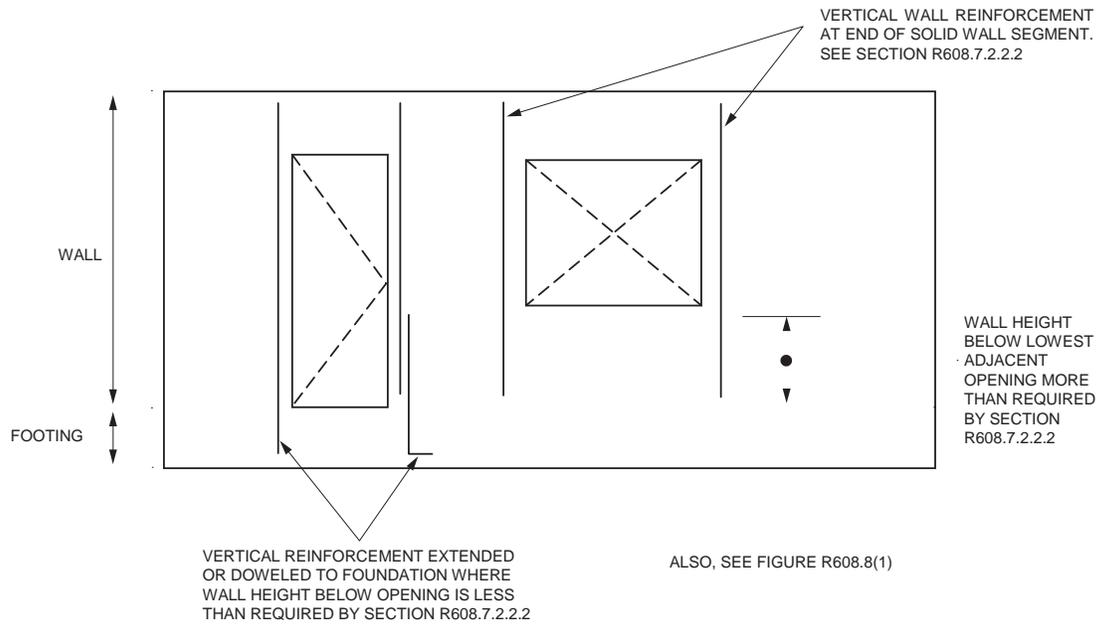


FIGURE R608.7(3)
VERTICAL WALL REINFORCEMENT ADJACENT TO WALL OPENINGS

enough to develop the bar in tension in accordance with Section R608.5.4.4 and Figure R608.5.4(2), or shall be lap-spliced with a dowel that is embedded in the footing far enough to develop the dowel-bar in tension.

R608.7.2.2.3 Vertical shear reinforcement. Where reduction factors for design strength, R_3 , from Table R608.7(4) based on horizontal and vertical shear reinforcement being provided are used, solid wall segments shall have vertical reinforcement consisting of minimum No. 4 bars. Vertical shear reinforcement shall be the same grade of steel required by Section R608.7.2.2.2 for the vertical reinforcement at the ends of solid wall segments. The spacing of vertical reinforcement throughout the length of the segment shall not exceed the smaller of one third the length of the segment, and 457 mm (18 inches). Vertical shear reinforcement shall be continuous between stories in accordance with Section R608.6.3, and shall terminate in accordance with Section R608.6.4. Vertical shear reinforcement required by this section is permitted to be used for vertical reinforcement required by Table R608.6(1), R608.6(2), R608.6(3) or R608.6(4), whichever is applicable.

R608.7.2.3 Solid wall segments at corners. At all interior and exterior corners of exterior walls, a solid wall segment shall extend the full height of each wall *story*. The segment shall have the length required to develop the horizontal reinforcement above and below the adjacent opening in tension in accordance with Section R608.5.4.4. For an exterior corner, the limiting dimension is measured on the outside of the wall, and for an interior corner the limiting dimension is measured on the

inside of the wall. See Section R608.8.1. The length of a segment contributing to the required length of solid wall shall comply with Section R608.7.2.1.

The end of a solid wall segment complying with the minimum length requirements of Section R608.7.2.1 shall be located not more than 1829 mm (6 feet) from each corner.

R608.8 Requirements for lintels and reinforcement around openings.

R608.8.1 Reinforcement around openings. Reinforcement shall be provided around openings in walls equal to or greater than 450 mm (18 inches) in width in accordance with this section and Figure R608.8(1), in addition to the minimum wall reinforcement required by Sections R404.1.3, R608.6 and R608.7. Vertical wall reinforcement required by this section is permitted to be used as reinforcement at the ends of solid wall segments required by Section R608.7.2.2.2 provided it is located in accordance with Section R608.8.1.2. Wall openings shall have a minimum depth of concrete over the width of the opening of 205 mm (8 inches) in flat walls and waffle-grid walls, and 305 mm (12 inches) in screen-grid walls. Wall openings in waffle-grid and screen-grid walls shall be located such that not less than one-half of a vertical core occurs along each side of the opening.

R608.8.1.1 Horizontal reinforcement. Lintels complying with Section R608.8.2 shall be provided above wall openings equal to or greater than 450 mm (18 inches) in width.

Openings equal to or greater than 450 mm (inches) in width shall have not less than one No. 4 bar placed within 150 mm (6 inches) of the bottom of the opening. See Figure R608.8(1).

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Horizontal reinforcement placed above and below an opening shall extend beyond the edges of the opening the dimension required to develop the bar in tension in accordance with Section R608.5.4.4.

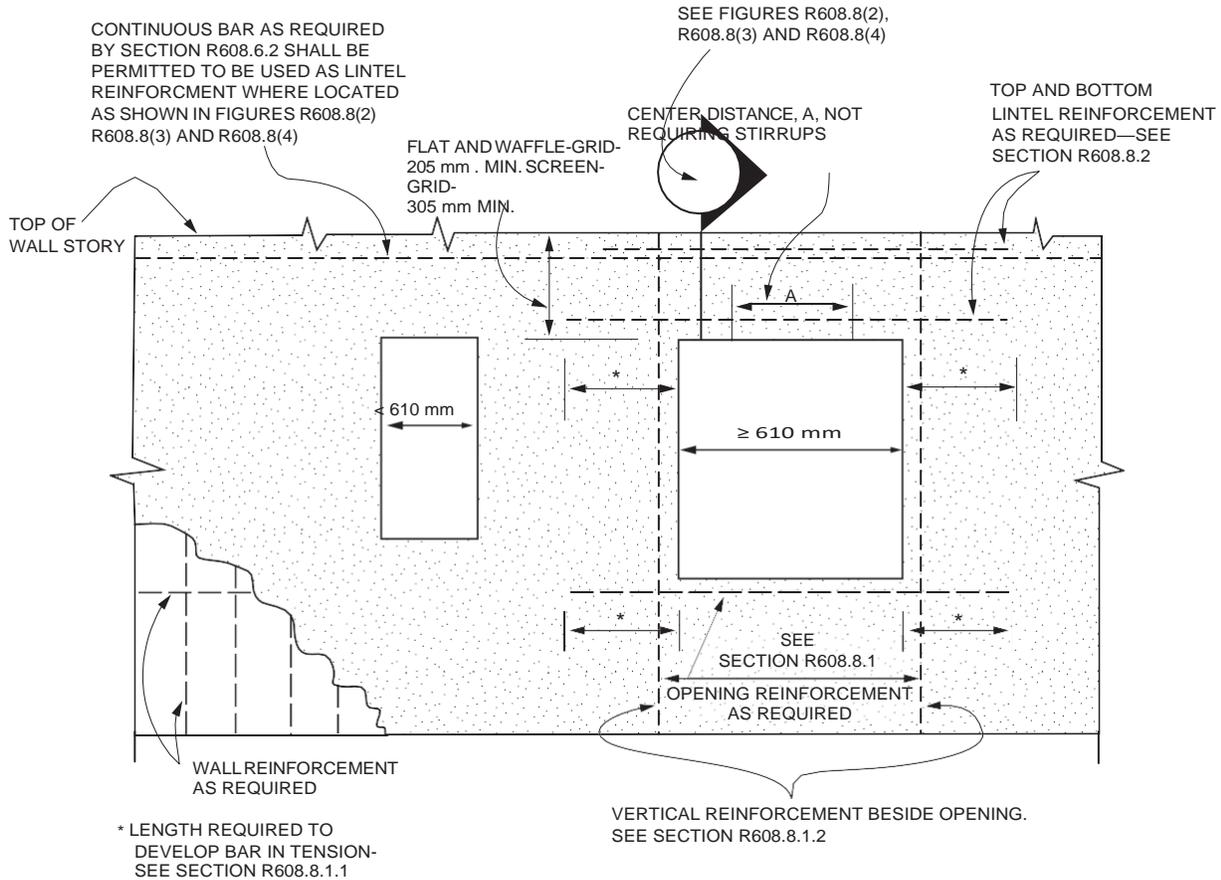
Exception: Continuous horizontal wall reinforcement placed within 150 mm (6 inches) of the top of the wall story as required in Sections R404.1.3.2 and R608.6.2 is permitted in lieu of top or bottom lintel reinforcement required by Section R608.8.2 provided that the continuous horizontal wall reinforcement meets the location requirements specified in Figures R608.8(2), R608.8(3), and R608.8(4) and the size requirements specified in Tables R608.8(2) through R608.8(10).

R608.8.1.2 Vertical reinforcement. Not less than one No. 4 bar [Grade 40 (280 MPa)] shall be provided on each side of openings equal to or greater than 610 mm (2 feet) in width. The vertical reinforcement required by this section shall extend the full height of the wall story and shall be located within 150 mm (6 inches) of each side of the opening. The vertical reinforcement required on each side of an opening by this section is permitted to serve as reinforcement at the ends of solid wall segments in accordance with Section R608.7.2.2.2, provided it is

located as required by the applicable detail in Figure R608.7(2). Where the vertical reinforcement required by this section is used to satisfy the requirements of Section R608.7.2.2.2 in waffle- and screen-grid walls, a concrete flange shall be created at the ends of the solid wall segments in accordance with Table R608.7(4), Note e. In the top-most story, the reinforcement shall terminate in accordance with Section R608.6.4.

R608.8.2 Lintels. Lintels shall be provided over all openings equal to or greater than 610 mm (2 feet) in width. Lintels with uniform loading shall conform to Sections R608.8.2.1 and R608.8.2.2, or Section R608.8.2.3. Lintels supporting concentrated loads, such as from roof or floor beams or girders, shall be designed in accordance with ACI 318.

R608.8.2.1 Lintels designed for gravity load-bearing conditions. Where a lintel will be subjected to gravity load conditions 1 through 5 of Table R608.8(1), the clear span of the lintel shall not exceed that permitted by Tables R608.8(2) through R608.8(8). The maximum clear span of lintels with and without stirrups in flat walls shall be determined in accordance with Tables R608.8(2) through R608.8(5), and constructed in accor-



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For Inch Pound Units: 1mm = 0.3937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot .

**FIGURE R608.8(1)
REINFORCEMENT OF OPENINGS**

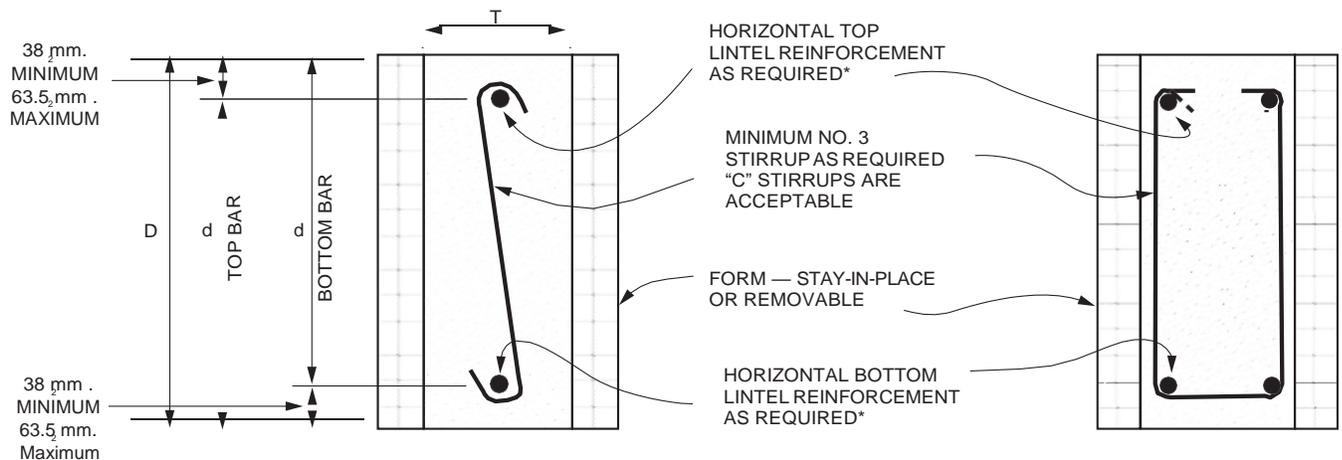
dance with Figure R608.8(2). The maximum clear span of lintels with and without stirrups in waffle-grid walls shall be determined in accordance with Tables R608.8(6) and R608.8(7), and constructed in accordance with Figure R608.8(3). The maximum clear span of lintels with and without stirrups in screen-grid walls shall be determined in accordance with Table R608.8(8), and constructed in accordance with Figure R608.8(4).

Where required by the applicable table, No. 3 stirrups shall be installed in lintels at a maximum spacing of $d/2$ where d equals the depth of the lintel, D , less the cover of the concrete as shown in Figures R608.8(2) through R608.8(4). The smaller value of d computed for the top and bottom bar shall be used to determine the maximum stirrup spacing. Where stirrups are required in a lintel with a single bar or two bundled bars in the top and bottom, they shall be fabricated like the letter “c” or “s” with 135-degree (2.36 rad) standard hooks at each end that comply with Section R608.5.4.5 and Figure R608.5.4(3) and installed as shown in Figures R608.8(2) through R608.8(4). Where two bars are required in the top and bottom of the lintel and the bars are not bundled, the bars shall be separated by not less than 1 inch (25 mm). The free end of the stirrups shall be fabricated with 90- or 135-degree (1.57 or 2.36 rad) standard hooks that comply with Section R608.5.4.5 and Figure R608.5.4(3) and installed as shown in Figures R608.8(2) and R608.8(3). For flat, waffle-grid and screen-grid lintels, stirrups are not required in the center distance, A , portion of spans in accordance with Figure R608.8(1) and Tables R608.8(2) through R608.8(8). See Section R608.8.2.2, Item 5, for requirement for stirrups through out lintels with bundled bars.

R608.8.2.2 Bundled bars in lintels. It is permitted to bundle two bars in contact with each other in lintels if all of the following are observed:

1. Bars equal to or less than No. 6 are bundled.
2. Where the wall thickness is not sufficient to provide not less than 76 mm (3 inches) of clear space beside bars (total on both sides) oriented horizontally in a bundle, the bundled bars shall be oriented in a vertical plane.
3. Where vertically oriented bundled bars terminate with standard hooks to develop the bars in tension beyond the support (see Section R608.5.4.4), the hook extensions shall be staggered to provide not less than 25.4 mm (1 inch) clear spacing between the extensions.
4. Bundled bars shall not be lap spliced within the lintel span and the length on each end of the lintel that is required to develop the bars in tension.
5. Bundled bars shall be enclosed within stirrups throughout the length of the lintel. Stirrups and the installation thereof shall comply with Section R608.8.2.1.

R608.8.2.3 Lintels without stirrups designed for nonload-bearing conditions. The maximum clear span of lintels without stirrups designed for nonload-bearing conditions of Table R608.8(1).1 shall be determined in accordance with this section. The maximum clear span of lintels without stirrups in flat walls shall be determined in accordance with Table R608.8(9), and the maximum clear span of lintels without stirrups in walls of waffle-grid or screen-grid construction shall be determined in accordance with Table R608.8(10).

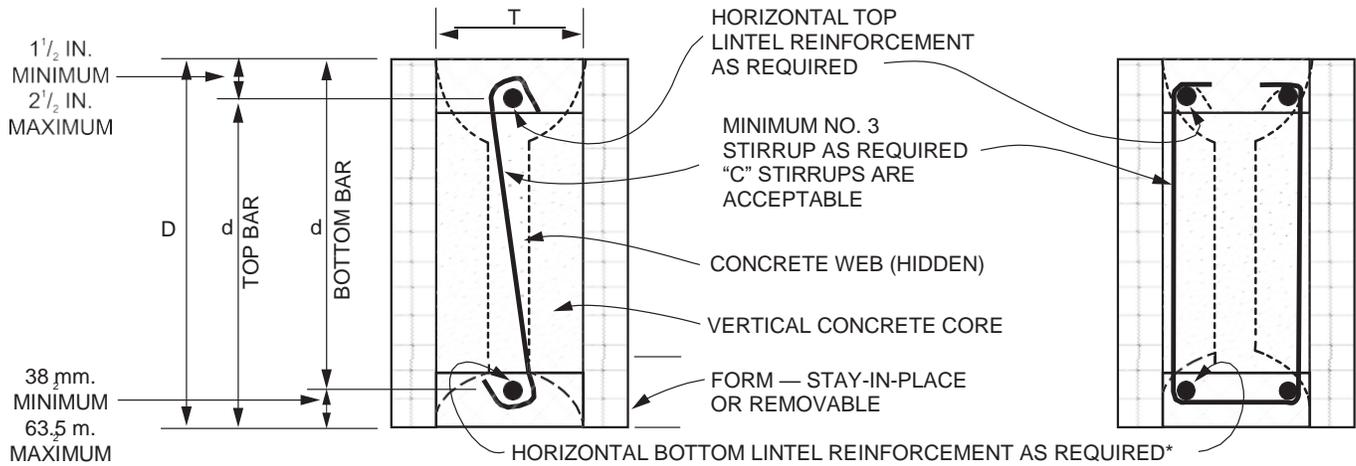


* FOR BUNDLED BARS, SEE SECTION R608.8.2.2.
SECTION CUT THROUGH FLAT WALL LINTEL

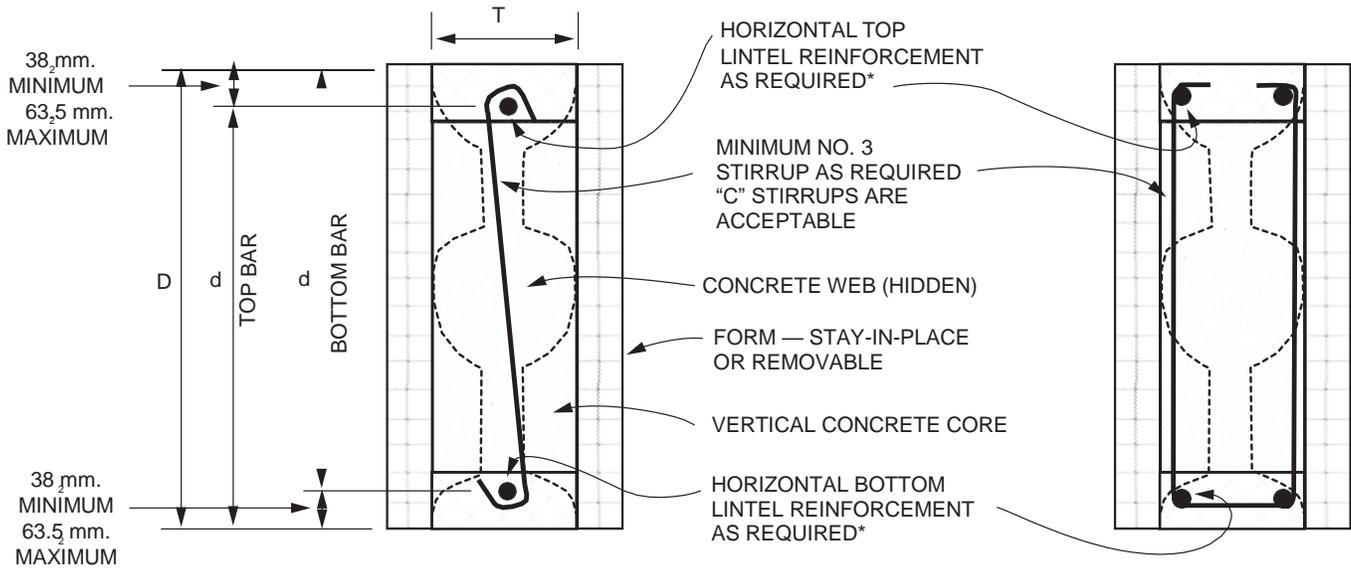
For Inch Pound Units:
1mm= 0.03937 inch .

FIGURE R608.8(2)
LINTEL FOR FLAT WALLS

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(a) SINGLE FORM HEIGHT SECTION CUT THROUGH VERTICAL CORE OF A WAFFLE-GRID LINTEL



(b) DOUBLE FORM HEIGHT SECTION CUT THROUGH VERTICAL CORE OF A WAFFLE-GRID LINTEL

*FOR BUNDLED BARS, SEE SECTION R608.8.2.2.

NOTE: CROSS HATCHING REPRESENTS THE AREA IN WHICH FORM MATERIAL SHALL BE REMOVED, IF NECESSARY, TO CREATE FLANGES CONTINUOUS THE LENGTH OF THE LINTEL. FLANGES SHALL HAVE A MINIMUM THICKNESS OF 76 mm (3 IN.), AND A MINIMUM WIDTH OF 127 mm (5 IN.) AND 178 mm (7 IN.) IN 150 mm (6 IN.) NOMINAL AND 205 mm (8 IN.) NOMINAL WAFFLE-GRID WALLS, RESPECTIVELY. SEE NOTE a TO TABLES R608.8(6) AND R608.8(10).

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch

**FIGURE R608.8(3)
LINTELS FOR WAFFLE-GRID WALLS**

38mm1. MINIMUM 63.5 mm. MAXIMUM



TABLE R608.8(1)
LINTEL DESIGN LOADING CONDITIONS^{a, b, d}

DESCRIPTION OF LOADS AND OPENINGS ABOVE INFLUENCING DESIGN OF LINTEL			DESIGN LOAD CONDITION ^c
Opening in wall of top story of two-story building, or first story of one-story building			
Wall supporting loads from roof, including attic floor, if applicable, and	Top of lintel equal to or less than W/2 below top of wall		2
	Top of lintel greater than W/2 below top of wall		NLB
Wall not supporting loads from roof or attic floor			NLB
Opening in wall of first story of two-story building where wall immediately above is of concrete construction, or opening in basement wall of one-story building where wall immediately above is of concrete construction			
LB ledger board mounted to side of wall with bottom of ledger less than or equal to W/2 above top of lintel, and	Top of lintel greater than W/2 below bottom of opening in story above		1
	Top of lintel less than or equal to W/2 below bottom of opening in story above, and	Opening is entirely within the footprint of the opening in the story above	1
		Opening is partially within the footprint of the opening in the story above	4
LB ledger board mounted to side of wall with bottom of ledger more than W/2 above top of lintel			NLB
NLB ledger board mounted to side of wall with bottom of ledger less than or equal to W/2 above top of lintel, or no ledger board, and	Top of lintel greater than W/2 below bottom of opening in story above		NLB
	Top of lintel less than or equal to W/2 below bottom of opening in story above, and	Opening is entirely within the footprint of the opening in the story above	NLB
		Opening is partially within the footprint of the opening in the story above	1
Opening in basement wall of two-story building where walls of two stories above are of concrete construction			
LB ledger board mounted to side of wall with bottom of ledger less than or equal to W/2 above top of lintel, and	Top of lintel greater than W/2 below bottom of opening in story above		1
	Top of lintel less than or equal to W/2 below bottom of opening in story above, and	Opening is entirely within the footprint of the opening in the story above	1
		Opening is partially within the footprint of the opening in the story above	5
LB ledger board mounted to side of wall with bottom of ledger more than W/2 above top of lintel			NLB
NLB ledger board mounted to side of wall with bottom of ledger less than or equal to W/2 above top of lintel, or no ledger board, and	Top of lintel greater than W/2 below bottom of opening in story above		NLB
	Top of lintel less than or equal to W/2 below bottom of opening in story above, and	Opening is entirely within the footprint of the opening in the story above	NLB
		Opening is partially within the footprint of the opening in the story above	1
Opening in wall of first story of two-story building where wall immediately above is of light-framed construction, or opening in basement wall of one-story building where wall immediately above is of light-framed construction			
Wall supporting loads from roof, second floor and top-story wall of light-framed construction, and	Top of lintel equal to or less than W/2 below top of wall		3
	Top of lintel greater than W/2 below top of wall		NLB
Wall not supporting loads from roof or second floor			NLB

- a. LB means load bearing, NLB means nonload bearing, and W means width of opening.
- b. Footprint is the area of the wall below an opening in the story above, bounded by the bottom of the opening and vertical lines extending downward from the edges of the opening.
- c. For design loading condition "NLB" see Tables R608.8(9) and R608.8(10). For all other design loading conditions, see Tables R608.8(2) through R608.8(8).
- d. An NLB ledger board is a ledger attached to a wall that is parallel to the span of the floor, roof or ceiling framing that supports the edge of the floor, ceiling or roof.

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TABLE R608.8(2)
MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE CLEAR SPANS FOR 100 mm -NOMINAL THICK FLAT LINTELS IN LOAD-BEARING WALLS^{a, b, c, d, e, f, m}
ROOF CLEAR SPAN 12,200 mm AND FLOOR CLEAR SPAN 9753 mm

LINTEL DEPTH, <i>D</i> ^g (mm)	NUMBER OF BARS AND BAR SIZE IN TOP AND BOTTOM OF LINTEL	STEEL YIELD STRENGTH ^h , <i>f_y</i> (KPa)	DESIGN LOADING CONDITION DETERMINED FROM TABLE R608.8(1)								
			1	2		3		4		5	
			Maximum ground snow load (psf)								
			-	1.44	3.35	1.44	3.35	1.44	3.35	1.44	3.35
Maximum clear span of lintel (feet - inches)											
205	Span without stirrups ^{i, j}		965	1016	711	762	660	635	610	610	610
	1-#4	1915	1575	1651	1245	1295	1168	1092	1016	838	838
		60,000	1880	1956	1499	1549	1372	1270	1118	889	864
	1-#5	1915	1905	2007	1524	1575	1372	1270	1118	889	864
		60,000	DR	DR	DR	DR	DR	DR	DR	DR	DR
Center distance <i>A</i> ^{k, l}		330	356	203	229	178	152	127	102	102	
305	Span without stirrups ^{i, j}		1016	1092	838	889	813	762	737	660	660
	1-#4	1915	2007	2134	1626	1802	1524	1448	1321	1118	1092
		60,000	2413	2591	1981	2057	1829	1753	1600	1346	1321
	1-#5	1915	2464	2642	2007	2083	1880	1778	1626	1372	1346
		60,000	2946	3150	2413	2489	2235	2108	1880	1473	1422
	2-#4 1-#6	1915	2769	2946	2235	2337	2083	1981	1829	1473	1422
		60,000	DR	DR	DR	DR	DR	DR	DR	DR	DR
Center distance <i>A</i> ^{k, l}		508	584	330	380	305	279	229	152	152	
405	Span without stirrups ^{i, j}		1397	1524	1194	1219	1118	1092	1016	940	914
	1-#4	1915	2032	2210	1676	1753	1575	1499	1372	1168	1118
		2872	2819	3048	2362	2438	2184	2083	1905	1626	1575
	1-#4	1915	2896	3150	2388	2489	2235	2108	1956	1651	1600
		2872	3480	1245	2896	2997	2692	2540	2362	1981	1930
	2-#4 1-#6	1915	3226	3531	2692	2794	2515	2362	2184	1854	1803
		2872	3886	3962	3226	3353	2997	2845	2616	2057	1981
	2-#5	1915	3962	4293	3277	3404	3023	2794	2489	1981	1905
2872		DR	DR	DR	DR	DR	DR	DR	DR	DR	
Center distance <i>A</i> ^{k, l}		686	813	483	508	406	381	305	229	203	
510	Span without stirrups ^{i, j}		1753	1956	1524	1575	1448	1397	1321	1194	1194
	1-#4	1915	261	2489	1905	1854	1778	1802	1549	1321	127
		2872	2743	3048	2337	2413	2159	2057	1905	1600	1549
	1-#5	1915	2794	3099	2362	2464	2210	2108	1930	1626	1575
		2872	3886	4318	3302	3429	3073	2921	2692	2261	2210
	2-#4 1-#6	1915	3607	4013	3073	3175	2845	2718	2489	2108	2057
		2872	4369	4826	3683	3835	3429	3277	3023	2540	2464
	2-#5	1915	4445	4928	3759	3886	3454	3200	2870	2311	2210
		2872	5309	5842	4496	4648	4089	3759	3353	2642	2540
	2-#6	1915	4978	5766	3835	4039	3454	3200	2870	2311	2210
2872		DR	DR	DR	DR	DR	DR	DR	DR	DR	
Center distance <i>A</i> ^{k, l}		838	1041	610	660	533	483	406	279	279	

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TABLE R608.8(2)—continued
MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE CLEAR SPANS FOR 100 mm-NOMINAL THICK FLAT LINTELS IN LOAD-BEARING WALLS^{a, b, c, d, e, f, m}
ROOF CLEAR SPAN 12,200 mm AND FLOOR CLEAR SPAN 9753 mm

LINTEL DEPTH, D^g (mm)	NUMBER OF BARS AND BAR SIZE IN TOP AND BOTTOM OF LINTEL	STEEL YIELD STRENGTH ^h , f_y (KPa)
610	Span without stirrups ^{i, j}	
	1-#4	1915
		2872
	1-#5	1915
		2872
	2-#4 1-#6	1915
		2872
	2-#5	1915
		2872
	2-#6	1915
		2872
	Center distance $A^{k, l}$	

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 kPa = 0.145 pound per square inch=
 1 kPa = 20.89 pound per square foot=, Grade 40 = 280 MPa, Grade 60 = 420 MPa.

- a. See Table R608.3 for tolerances permitted from nominal thickness.
- b. Table values are based on concrete with a minimum specified compressive strength of 17,238 kPa (2,500 psi). See Note j.
- c. Table values are based on uniform loading. See Section R608.8.2 for lintels supporting concentrated loads.
- d. Deflection criterion is $L/240$, where L is the clear span of the lintel in inches, or 12.5 mm ($1/2$ -inch), whichever is less.
- e. .
- f. DR indicates design required.
- g. Lintel depth, D , is permitted to include the available height of wall located directly above the lintel, provided that the increased lintel depth spans the entire length of the lintel.
- h. Stirrups shall be fabricated from reinforcing bars with the same yield strength as that used for the main longitudinal reinforcement.
- i. Allowable clear span without stirrups applicable to all lintels of the same depth, D . Top and bottom reinforcement for lintels without stirrups shall be not less than the least amount of reinforcement required for a lintel of the same depth and loading condition with stirrups. All other spans require stirrups spaced at not more than $d/2$.
- j. Where concrete with a minimum specified compressive strength of 20,685 kPa (3,000 psi) is used, clear spans for lintels without stirrups shall be permitted to be multiplied by 1.05. If the increased span exceeds the allowable clear span for a lintel of the same depth and loading condition with stirrups, the top and bottom reinforcement shall be equal to or greater than that required for a lintel of the same depth and loading condition that has an allowable clear span that is equal to or greater than that of the lintel without stirrups that has been increased.
- k. Center distance, A , is the center portion of the clear span where stirrups are not required. This is applicable to all longitudinal bar sizes and steel yield strengths.
- l. Where concrete with a minimum specified compressive strength of 20,685 kPa (3,000 psi) is used, center distance, A , shall be permitted to be multiplied by 1.10.
- m. The maximum clear opening width between two solid wall segments shall be 5,486 mm (18 feet). See Section R608.7.2.1. Lintel clear spans in the table greater than 5,486 mm (18 feet) are shown for interpolation and information only.

TABLE R608.8(3)
MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE CLEAR SPANS FOR 150 mm-NOMINAL THICK FLAT LINTELS IN LOAD-BEARING WALLS^{a, b, c, d, e, f, m}
ROOF CLEAR SPAN 12,200 mm AND FLOOR CLEAR SPAN 9753 mm

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TABLE R608.8(3)—continued
MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE CLEAR SPANS FOR 150 mm-NOMINAL THICK FLAT LINTELS IN LOAD-BEARING WALLS^{a, b, c, d, e, f, m}
ROOF CLEAR SPAN 12,200 mm AND FLOOR CLEAR SPAN 9753 mm

LINTEL DEPTH, <i>D</i> ^g (mm)	NUMBER OF BARS AND BAR SIZE IN TOP AND BOTTOM OF LINTEL	STEEL YIELD STRENGTH ^h , <i>f_y</i> (KPa)
510	Span without stirrups ^{i, j}	
	1-#5	1915
		2872
	2-#4 1-#6	1915
		2872
	2-#5	1915
		2872
	2-#6	1915
		2872
	Center distance <i>A</i> ^{k, l}	
610	Span without stirrups ^{i, j}	
	1-#5	1915
		2872
	2-#4 1-#6	1915
		2872
	2-#5	1915
		2872
	2-#6	1915
		2872
	Center distance <i>A</i> ^{k, l}	

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 kPa = 0.145 pound per square inch,
 1 kPa = 20.89 pound per square foot, Grade 40 = 280 MPa, Grade 60 = 420 MPa.

- a. See Table R608.3 for tolerances permitted from nominal thickness.
- b. Table values are based on concrete with a minimum specified compressive strength of 17,238 kPa (2,500 psi). See Note j.
- c. Table values are based on uniform loading. See Section R608.8.2 for lintels supporting concentrated loads.
- d. Deflection criterion is $L/240$, where L is the clear span of the lintel in mm (inches), or 12.5 mm ($1/2$ inch,) whichever is less.
- e. .
- f. DR indicates design required.
- g. Lintel depth, D , is permitted to include the available height of wall located directly above the lintel, provided that the increased lintel depth spans the entire length of the lintel.
- h. Stirrups shall be fabricated from reinforcing bars with the same yield strength as that used for the main longitudinal reinforcement.
- i. Allowable clear span without stirrups applicable to all lintels of the same depth, D . Top and bottom reinforcement for lintels without stirrups shall be not less than the least amount of reinforcement required for a lintel of the same depth and loading condition with stirrups. All other spans require stirrups spaced at not more than $d/2$.
- j. Where concrete with a minimum specified compressive strength of 20,685 kPa (3,000 psi) is used, clear spans for lintels without stirrups shall be permitted to be multiplied by 1.05. If the increased span exceeds the allowable clear span for a lintel of the same depth and loading condition with stirrups, the top and bottom reinforcement shall be equal to or greater than that required for a lintel of the same depth and loading condition that has an allowable clear span that is equal to or greater than that of the lintel without stirrups that has been increased.
- k. Center distance, A , is the center portion of the clear span where stirrups are not required. This is applicable to all longitudinal bar sizes and steel yield strengths.
- l. Where concrete with a minimum specified compressive strength of 20,685 kPa (3,000 psi) is used, center distance, A , shall be permitted to be multiplied by 1.10.
- m. The maximum clear opening width between two solid wall segments shall be 5,486 mm (18 feet). See Section R608.7.2.1. Lintel clear spans in the table greater than 5,486 mm (18 feet) are shown for interpolation and information only.

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TABLE R608.8(4)
 MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE CLEAR SPANS FOR 205 mm -NOMINAL THICK FLAT LINTELS IN LOAD-BEARING WALLS^{a, b, c, d, e, f, m}
 ROOF CLEAR SPAN 12192 mm AND FLOOR CLEAR SPAN 9754 mm

LINTEL DEPTH, D^g (mm)	NUMBER OF BARS AND BAR SIZE IN TOP AND BOTTOM OF LINTEL	STEEL YIELD STRENGTH ^{h, i, j} , f_y (kPa)
205	Span without stirrups ^{i, j}	
	1-#4	1915
		2872
	1-#5	1915
		2872
	2-#4 1-#6	1915
		2872
	2-#5	1915
		2872
	Center distance $A^{k, l}$	
305	Span without stirrups ^{i, j}	
	1-#4	1915
		2872
	1-#5	1915
		2872
	2-#4 1-#6	1915
		2872
	2-#5	1915
		2872
	2-#6	1915
2872		
Center distance $A^{k, l}$		
405	Span without stirrups ^{i, j}	
	1-#4	1915
		2872
	1-#5	1915
		2872
	2-#4 1-#6	1915
		2872
	2-#5	1915
		2872
	2-#6	1915
2872		

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TABLE R608.8(4)—continued
 MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE CLEAR SPANS FOR 205 mm-NOMINAL THICK FLAT LINTELS IN LOAD-BEARING WALLS^{a, b, c, d, e, f, m}
 ROOF CLEAR SPAN 12,200 mm AND FLOOR CLEAR SPAN 9753 mm

LINTEL DEPTH, <i>D</i> ^g (mm)	NUMBER OF BARS AND BAR SIZE IN TOP AND BOTTOM OF LINTEL	STEEL YIELD STRENGTH ^{h, f, y} , (kPa)
510	Span without stirrups ^{i, j}	
	1-#5	1915
		2872
	2-#4 1-#6	1915
		2872
	2-#5	1915
		2872
	2-#6	1915
		2872
	Center distance <i>A</i> ^{k, l}	
610	Span without stirrups ^{i, j}	
	1-#5	1915
		2872
	2-#4 1-#6	1915
		2872
	2-#5	1915
		2872
	2-#6	1915
		2872
	Center distance <i>A</i> ^{k, l}	

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 kPa = 0.145 pound per square inch,
 1 kPa = 20.89 pound per square foot, Grade 40 = 280 MPa; Grade 60 = 420 MPa.

Note: Top and bottom reinforcement for lintels without stirrups, as shown in shaded cells, shall be equal to or greater than that required for lintel of the same depth and loading condition that has an allowable clear span that is equal to or greater than that of the lintel without stirrups.

- See Table R608.3 for tolerances permitted from nominal thickness.
- Table values are based on concrete with a minimum specified compressive strength of 17,238 kPa (2,500 psi). See Note j.
- Table values are based on uniform loading. See Section R608.8.2 for lintels supporting concentrated loads.
- Deflection criterion is $L/240$, where L is the clear span of the lintel in mm (inches), or 12.5 mm ($1/2$ inch), whichever is less.
- .
- DR indicates design required.
- Lintel depth, D , is permitted to include the available height of wall located directly above the lintel, provided that the increased lintel depth spans the entire length of the lintel.
- Stirrups shall be fabricated from reinforcing bars with the same yield strength as that used for the main longitudinal reinforcement.
- Allowable clear span without stirrups applicable to all lintels of the same depth, D . Top and bottom reinforcement for lintels without stirrups shall be not less than the least amount of reinforcement required for a lintel of the same depth and loading condition with stirrups. All other spans require stirrups spaced at not more than $d/2$.
- Where concrete with a minimum specified compressive strength of 20,685 kPa (3,000 psi) is used, clear spans for lintels without stirrups shall be permitted to be multiplied by 1.05. If the increased span exceeds the allowable clear span for a lintel of the same depth and loading condition with stirrups, the top and bottom reinforcement shall be equal to or greater than that required for a lintel of the same depth and loading condition that has an allowable clear span that is equal to or greater than that of the lintel without stirrups that has been increased.
- Center distance, A , is the center portion of the clear span where stirrups are not required. This is applicable to all longitudinal bar sizes and steel yield strengths.
- Where concrete with a minimum specified compressive strength of 20,685 kPa (3,000 psi) is used, center distance, A , shall be permitted to be multiplied by 1.10.
- The maximum clear opening width between two solid wall segments shall be 5,486 mm (18 feet). See Section R608.7.2.1. Lintel clear spans in the table greater than 5,486 mm (18 feet) are shown for interpolation and information only.

TABLE R608.8(5)
MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE CLEAR SPANS FOR 255 mm -NOMINAL THICK FLAT LINTELS IN LOAD-BEARING WALLS^{a, b, c, d, e, f, m}
ROOF CLEAR SPAN 12,200 mm AND FLOOR CLEAR SPAN 9753 mm

LINTEL DEPTH, D^g (mm)	NUMBER OF BARS AND BAR SIZE IN TOP AND BOTTOM OF LINTEL	STEEL YIELD STRENGTH ^{h, f, y} , (KPa)	
205	Span without stirrups ^{i, j}		
	1-#4	1915	
		2872	
	1-#5	1915	
		2872	
	2-#4 1-#6	1915	
		2872	
	2-#5	1915	
		2872	
	2-#6	1915	
		2872	
	Center distance $A^{k, l}$		
	305	Span without stirrups ^{i, j}	
		1-#4	1915
2872			
1-#5		1915	
		2872	
2-#4 1-#6		1915	
		2872	
2-#5		1915	
		2872	
2-#6		1915	
		2872	
Center distance $A^{k, l}$			
405		Span without stirrups ^{i, j}	
		1-#4	1915
	2872		
	1-#5	1915	
		2872	
	2-#4 1-#6	1915	
		2872	
	2-#5	1915	
		2872	
	2-#6	1915	
		2872	
	Center distance $A^{k, l}$		

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TABLE R608.8(5)—continued
 MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE CLEAR SPANS FOR 255 mm-NOMINAL THICK FLAT LINTELS IN LOAD-BEARING WALLS^{a, b, c, d, e, f, m}
 ROOF CLEAR SPAN 12,200 mm AND FLOOR CLEAR SPAN 9753 mm

LINTEL DEPTH, <i>D</i> ^g (mm)	NUMBER OF BARS AND BAR SIZE IN TOP AND BOTTOM OF LINTEL	STEEL YIELD STRENGTH ^h , <i>f_y</i> (KPa)
510	Span without stirrups ^{i, j}	
	1-#4	1915
		2872
	1-#5	1915
		2872
	2-#4 1-#6	1915
		2872
	2-#5	1915
		2872
	2-#6	1915
2872		
Center distance <i>A</i> ^{k, l}		
610	Span without stirrups ^{i, j}	
	1-#5	1915
		2872
	2-#4 1-#6	1915
		2872
	2-#5	1915
		2872
	2-#6	1915
		2872
	Center distance <i>A</i> ^{k, l}	

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 kPa = 0.145 pound per square inch,
 1 kPa = 20.89 pound per square foot, Grade 40 = 280 MPa, Grade 60 = 420 MPa.

Note: Top and bottom reinforcement for lintels without stirrups, as shown in shaded cells, shall be equal to or greater than that required for lintel of the same depth and loading condition that has an allowable clear span that is equal to or greater than that of the lintel without stirrups.

- a. See Table R608.3 for tolerances permitted from nominal thickness.
- b. Table values are based on concrete with a minimum specified compressive strength of 17,238 kPa (2,500 psi). See Note j.
- c. Table values are based on uniform loading. See Section R608.8.2 for lintels supporting concentrated loads.
- d. Deflection criterion is $L/240$, where L is the clear span of the lintel in mm (inches), or 12.5 mm ($1/2$ inch), whichever is less.
- e. .
- f. DR indicates design required.
- g. Lintel depth, D , is permitted to include the available height of wall located directly above the lintel, provided that the increased lintel depth spans the entire length of the lintel.
- h. Stirrups shall be fabricated from reinforcing bars with the same yield strength as that used for the main longitudinal reinforcement.
- i. Allowable clear span without stirrups applicable to all lintels of the same depth, D . Top and bottom reinforcement for lintels without stirrups shall be not less than the least amount of reinforcement required for a lintel of the same depth and loading condition with stirrups. All other spans require stirrups spaced at not more than $d/2$.
- j. Where concrete with a minimum specified compressive strength of 20,685 kPa (3,000 psi) is used, clear spans for lintels without stirrups shall be permitted to be multiplied by 1.05. If the increased span exceeds the allowable clear span for a lintel of the same depth and loading condition with stirrups, the top and bottom reinforcement shall be equal to or greater than that required for a lintel of the same depth and loading condition that has an allowable clear span that is equal to or greater than that of the lintel without stirrups that has been increased.
- k. Center distance, A , is the center portion of the clear span where stirrups are not required. This is applicable to all longitudinal bar sizes and steel yield strengths.
- l. Where concrete with a minimum specified compressive strength of 20,685 kPa (3,000 psi) is used, center distance, A , shall be permitted to be multiplied by 1.10.
- m. The maximum clear opening width between two solid wall segments shall be 5,486 mm (18 feet). See Section R608.7.2.1. Lintel clear spans in the table greater than 5,486 mm (18 feet) are shown for interpolation and information only.

TABLE R608.8(6)
MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE CLEAR SPANS FOR 150 mm-THICK WAFFLE-GRID LINTELS IN LOAD-BEARING WALLS^{a, b, c, d, e, f, o}
MAXIMUM ROOF CLEAR SPAN 12,200 mm AND MAXIMUM FLOOR SPAN 9753 mm

LINTEL DEPTH, <i>D</i> ^a (mm)	NUMBER OF BARS AND BAR SIZE IN TOP AND BOTTOM OF LINTEL	STEEL YIELD STRENGTH ^{b, f} , <i>f_y</i> (KPa)
205 ⁱ	Span without stirrups ^{k, l}	
	1-#4	1915
		2872
	1-#5	1915
		2872
	2-#4 1-#6	1915
		2872
Center distance <i>A</i> ^{m, n}		
305 ⁱ	Span without stirrups ^{k, l}	
	1-#4	1915
		2872
	1-#5	1915
		2872
	2-#4 1-#6	1915
	Center distance <i>A</i> ^{m, n}	
Span without stirrups ^{k, l}		
405 ⁱ	1-#4	1915
		2872
	1-#5	1915
		2872
	2-#4 1-#6	1915
		2872
	2-#5	1915
2872		
Center distance <i>A</i> ^{m, n}		
510 ⁱ	Span without stirrups ^{k, l}	
	1-#4	1915
		2872
	1-#5	1915
		2872
	2-#4 1-#6	1915
		2872
2-#5	1915	
	2872	
Center distance <i>A</i> ^{m, n}		

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TABLE R608.8(6)—continued
MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE CLEAR SPANS FOR 150 mm-THICK WAFFLE-GRID LINTELS IN LOAD-BEARING WALLS^{a, b, c, d, e, f, o}
MAXIMUM ROOF CLEAR SPAN 12,200 mm AND MAXIMUM FLOOR SPAN 9753 mm

LINTEL DEPTH, <i>D</i> ^g (mm)	NUMBER OF BARS AND BAR SIZE IN TOP AND BOTTOM OF LINTEL	STEEL YIELD STRENGTH ^h , <i>f_y</i> (kPa)
610w ^j	Span without stirrups ^{k, l}	
	1-#4	1915
		2872
	1-#5	1915
		2872
	2-#4 1-#6	1915
		2872
	2-#5	1915
		2872
	Center distance <i>A</i> ^{m, n}	

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 kPa = 0.145 pound per square inch,
1 kPa = 20.89 pound per square foot, Grade 40 = 280 MPa, Grade 60 = 420 MPa.

- a. Where lintels are formed with waffle-grid forms, form material shall be removed, if necessary, to create top and bottom flanges of the lintel that are not less than 76 mm (3 inches) in depth (in the vertical direction), are not less than 127 mm (5 inches) in width for 150 mm (6-inch)-nominal waffle-grid forms and not less than 178 mm (7 inches) in width for 205 mm (8-inch)-nominal waffle-grid forms. See Figure R608.8(3). Flat form lintels shall be permitted in place of waffle-grid lintels. See Tables R608.8(2) through R608.8(5).
- b. See Table R608.3 for tolerances permitted from nominal thicknesses and minimum dimensions and spacing of cores.
- c. Table values are based on concrete with a minimum specified compressive strength of 17,238 kPa (2,500 psi). See Notes 1 and n. Table values are based on uniform loading. See Section R608.8.2 for lintels supporting concentrated loads.
- d. Deflection criterion is $L/240$, where L is the clear span of the lintel in inches, or 12.5 mm ($1/2$ inch), whichever is less.
- e.
- f. DR indicates design required. STL indicates stirrups required throughout lintel.
- g. Lintel depth, D , is permitted to include the available height of wall located directly above the lintel, provided that the increased lintel depth spans the entire length of the lintel.
- h. Stirrups shall be fabricated from reinforcing bars with the same yield strength as that used for the main longitudinal reinforcement.
- i. Lintels less than 610 mm (24 inches) in depth with stirrups shall be formed from flat-wall forms [see Tables R608.8(2) through R608.8(5)], or, if necessary, form material shall be removed from waffle-grid forms so as to provide the required cover for stirrups. Allowable spans for lintels formed with flat-wall forms shall be determined from Tables R608.8(2) through R608.8(5).
- j. Where stirrups are required for 610 mm (24-inch)-deep lintels, the spacing shall not exceed 305 mm (12 inches) on center.
- k. Allowable clear span without stirrups applicable to all lintels of the same depth, D . Top and bottom reinforcement for lintels without stirrups shall be not less than the least amount of reinforcement required for a lintel of the same depth and loading condition with stirrups. All other spans require stirrups spaced at not more than $d/2$.
- l. Where concrete with a minimum specified compressive strength of 20,685 kPa (3,000 psi) is used, clear spans for lintels without stirrups shall be permitted to be multiplied by 1.05. If the increased span exceeds the allowable clear span for a lintel of the same depth and loading condition with stirrups, the top and bottom reinforcement shall be equal to or greater than that required for a lintel of the same depth and loading condition that has an allowable clear span that is equal to or greater than that of the lintel without stirrups that has been increased.
- m. Center distance, A , is the center portion of the span where stirrups are not required. This is applicable to all longitudinal bar sizes and steel yield strengths.
- n. Where concrete with a minimum specified compressive strength of 20,685 kPa (3,000 psi) is used, center distance, A , shall be permitted to be multiplied by 1.10.
- o. The maximum clear opening width between two solid wall segments shall be 5,486 mm (18 feet). See Section R608.7.2.1. Lintel spans in the table greater than 5,486 mm (18 feet) are shown for interpolation and information only.

TABLE R608.8(7)
MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE CLEAR SPANS FOR 205 mm-THICK WAFFLE-GRID LINTELS IN LOAD-BEARING WALLS^{a, b, c, d, e, f, o}
MAXIMUM ROOF CLEAR SPAN 12192 mm AND MAXIMUM FLOOR CLEAR SPAN 9753 mm

LINTEL DEPTH, D^g (mm)	NUMBER OF BARS AND BAR SIZE IN TOP AND BOTTOM OF LINTEL	STEEL YIELD STRENGTH ^{h, f, o} , f_y (KPa)
205 ⁱ	Span without stirrups ^{k, l}	
	1-#4	1915
		2872
	1-#5	1915
	Center distance $A^{m, n}$	
305 ⁱ	Span without stirrups ^{k, l}	
	1-#4	1915
		2872
	1-#5	1915
		2872
	2-#4 1-#6	1915
		2872
Center distance $A^{m, n}$		
405 ⁱ	Span without stirrups ^{k, l}	
	1-#4	1915
		2872
	1-#5	1915
		2872
	2-#4 1-#6	1915
		2872
Center distance $A^{m, n}$		
510 ⁱ	Span without stirrups ^{k, l}	
	1-#4	1915
		2872
	1-#5	1915
		2872
	2-#4 1-#6	1915
		2872
	2-#5	1915
		2872
Center distance $A^{m, n}$		

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TABLE R608.8(7)—continued
MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE CLEAR SPANS FOR 205 mm-THICK WAFFLE-GRID LINTELS IN LOAD-BEARING WALLS^{a, b, c, d, e, f, o}
MAXIMUM ROOF CLEAR SPAN 12,200 mm AND MAXIMUM FLOOR CLEAR SPAN 9753 mm

LINTEL DEPTH, <i>D</i> ^g (mm)	NUMBER OF BARS AND BAR SIZE IN TOP AND BOTTOM OF LINTEL	STEEL YIELD STRENGTH ^h , <i>f_y</i> (kPa)
610 ^j	Span without stirrups ^{k, l}	
	1-#4	1915
		2872
	1-#5	1915
		2872
	2-#4 1-#6	1915
		2872
	2-#5	1915
		2872
	2-#6	1915
Center distance <i>A</i> ^{m, n}		

For Inch POUND Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 kPa = 0.145 pound per square inch,
1 kPa = 20.89 pound per square foot, Grade 40 = 280 MPa, Grade 60 = 420 MPa.

- a. Where lintels are formed with waffle-grid forms, form material shall be removed, if necessary, to create top and bottom flanges of the lintel that are not less than 76 mm (3 inches) in depth (in the vertical direction), are not less than 127 mm (5 inches) in width for 150 mm (6-inch)-nominal waffle-grid forms and not less than 178 mm (7 inches) in width for 205 mm (8-inch)-nominal waffle-grid forms. See Figure R608.8(3). Flat-form lintels shall be permitted in lieu of waffle-grid lintels. See Tables R608.8(2) through R608.8(5).
- b. See Table R608.3 for tolerances permitted from nominal thicknesses and minimum dimensions and spacing of cores.
- c. Table values are based on concrete with a minimum specified compressive strength of 17,238 kPa (2,500 psi). See Notes 1 and n. Table values are based on uniform loading. See Section R608.8.2 for lintels supporting concentrated loads.
- d. Deflection criterion is $L/240$, where L is the clear span of the lintel in inches, or 12.5 mm ($1/2$ inch), whichever is less.
- e.
- f. STL indicates stirrups required throughout lintel.
- g. Lintel depth, D , is permitted to include the available height of wall located directly above the lintel, provided that the increased lintel depth spans the entire length of the lintel.
- h. Stirrups shall be fabricated from reinforcing bars with the same yield strength as that used for the main longitudinal reinforcement.
- i. Lintels less than 610 mm (24 inches) in depth with stirrups shall be formed from flat-wall forms [see Tables R608.8(2) through R608.8(5)], or, if necessary, form material shall be removed from waffle-grid forms so as to provide the required cover for stirrups. Allowable spans for lintels formed with flat-wall forms shall be determined from Tables R608.8(2) through R608.8(5).
- j. Where stirrups are required for 610 mm (24-inch)-deep lintels, the spacing shall not exceed 305 mm (12 inches) on center.
- k. Allowable clear span without stirrups applicable to all lintels of the same depth, D . Top and bottom reinforcement for lintels without stirrups shall be not less than the least amount of reinforcement required for a lintel of the same depth and loading condition with stirrups. All other spans require stirrups spaced at not more than $d/2$.
- l. Where concrete with a minimum specified compressive strength of 20,685 kPa (3,000 psi) is used, clear spans for lintels without stirrups shall be permitted to be multiplied by 1.05. If the increased span exceeds the allowable clear span for a lintel of the same depth and loading condition with stirrups, the top and bottom reinforcement shall be equal to or greater than that required for a lintel of the same depth and loading condition that has an allowable clear span that is equal to or greater than that of the lintel without stirrups that has been increased.
- m. Center distance, A , is the center portion of the span where stirrups are not required. This is applicable to all longitudinal bar sizes and steel yield strengths.
- n. Where concrete with a minimum specified compressive strength of 20,685 kPa (3,000 psi) is used, center distance, A , shall be permitted to be multiplied by 1.10.
- o. The maximum clear opening width between two solid wall segments shall be 5,486 mm (18 feet). See Section R608.7.2.1. Lintel spans in the table greater than 5,486 mm (18 feet) are shown for interpolation and information only.

TABLE R608.8(8)
MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE CLEAR SPANS FOR 150 mm -THICK SCREEN-GRID LINTELS IN LOAD-BEARING WALLS^{a, b, c, d, e, f, p}
ROOF CLEAR SPAN 12,200 mm AND FLOOR CLEAR SPAN 9753 mm

LINTEL DEPTH, <i>D</i> ^a (mm)	NUMBER OF BARS AND BAR SIZE IN TOP AND BOTTOM OF LINTEL	STEEL YIELD STRENGTH ^h , <i>f_y</i> (KPa)
305 ^{i, j}	Span without stirrups	
405 ^{i, j}	Span without stirrups	
510 ^{i, j}	Span without stirrups	
610 ^k	Span without stirrups ^{l, m}	
	1-#4	1915
		2872
	1-#5	1915
		2872
	2-#4 1-#6	1915
		2872
	2-#5	1915
		2872
	Center distance <i>A</i> ^{n, o}	

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 kPa = 0.145 pound per square inch,
 1 kPa = 20.89 pound per square foot, Grade 40 = 280 MPa, Grade 60 = 420 MPa.

- a. Where lintels are formed with screen-grid forms, form material shall be removed if necessary to create top and bottom flanges of the lintel that are not less than 127 mm (5 inches) in width and not less than 63.5 mm (2.5 inches) in depth (in the vertical direction). See Figure R608.8(4). Flat-form lintels shall be permitted in lieu of screen-grid lintels. See Tables R608.8(2) through R608.8(5).
- b. See Table R608.3 for tolerances permitted from nominal thickness and minimum dimensions and spacings of cores.
- c. Table values are based on concrete with a minimum specified compressive strength of 17,238 kPa (2,500 psi). See Notes m and o. Table values are based on uniform loading. See Section R608.7.2.1 for lintels supporting concentrated loads.
- d. Deflection criterion is $L/240$, where L is the clear span of the lintel in inches, or $1/2$ inch, whichever is less.
- e.
- f. DR indicates design required. STL indicates stirrups required throughout lintel.
- g. Lintel depth, D , is permitted to include the available height of wall located directly above the lintel, provided that the increased lintel depth spans the entire length of the lintel.
- h. Stirrups shall be fabricated from reinforcing bars with the same yield strength as that used for the main longitudinal reinforcement.
- i. Stirrups are not required for lintels less than 610 mm (24 inches) in depth fabricated from screen-grid forms. Top and bottom reinforcement shall consist of a No. 4 bar having a yield strength of 275,800 kPa (40,000 psi) or 413,700 kPa (60,000 psi).
- j. Lintels between 305 mm (12) and 610 mm (24 inches) in depth with stirrups shall be formed from flat-wall forms [see Tables R608.8(2) through R608.8(5)], or form material shall be removed from screen-grid forms to provide a concrete section comparable to that required for a flat wall. Allowable spans for flat lintels with stirrups shall be determined from Tables R608.8(2) through R608.8(5).
- k. Where stirrups are required for 610 mm (24-inch)-deep lintels, the spacing shall not exceed 305 mm (12 inches) on center.
- l. Allowable clear span without stirrups applicable to all lintels of the same depth, D . Top and bottom reinforcement for lintels without stirrups shall be not less than the least amount of reinforcement required for a lintel of the same depth and loading condition with stirrups. All other spans require stirrups spaced at not more than 305 mm (12 inches).
- m. Where concrete with a minimum specified compressive strength of 20,685 kPa (3,000 psi) is used, clear spans for lintels without stirrups shall be permitted to be multiplied by 1.05. If the increased span exceeds the allowable clear span for a lintel of the same depth and loading condition with stirrups, the top and bottom reinforcement shall be equal to or greater than that required for a lintel of the same depth and loading condition that has an allowable clear span that is equal to or greater than that of the lintel without stirrups that has been increased.
- n. Center distance, A , is the center portion of the span where stirrups are not required. This is applicable to all longitudinal bar sizes and steel yield strengths.
- o. Where concrete with a minimum specified compressive strength of 20,685 kPa (3,000 psi) is used, center distance, A , shall be permitted to be multiplied by 1.10.
- p. The maximum clear opening width between two solid wall segments shall be 5,486 mm (18 feet). See Section R608.7.2.1. Lintel spans in the table greater than 5,486 mm (18 feet) are shown for interpolation and information only.

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TABLE R608.8(9)
MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE CLEAR SPANS FOR FLAT LINTELS WITHOUT STIRRUPS IN NONLOAD-BEARING WALLS^{a, b, c, d, e, g}

LINTEL DEPTH, <i>D</i> ' (mm)	NUMBER OF BARS AND BAR SIZE	STEEL YIELD STRENGTH, <i>f_y</i> (KPa)	NOMINAL WALL THICKNESS (mm)								
			102		150		205		255		
			Lintel Supporting								
			Concrete Wall	Light- framed Gable	Concrete Wall	Light- framed Gable	Concrete Wall	Light- framed Gable	Concrete Wall	Light- framed Gable	
Maximum Clear Span of Lintel (feet - inches)											
205	1-#4	1915	3300	3450	2900	3400	2350	2850	2200	2800	
		2872	3750	3550	3300	4050	3000	4000	2800	3900	
	1-#5	1915	3850	3550	3350	4150	3050	4050	2850	3950	
		2872	DR	DR	3850	4950	3500	4450	3250	4400	
	2-#4 1-#6	1915	DR	DR	3650	4650	3300	4550	3100	4450	
		2872	DR	DR	DR	DR	3700	4650	3550	4650	
	2-#5	1915	DR	DR	DR	DR	3850	5050	3550	5050	
		2872	DR	DR	DR	DR	DR	DR	4050	5050	
	2-#6	1915	DR	DR	DR	DR	DR	DR	4000	5350	
		2872	DR	DR	DR	DR	DR	DR	DR	DR	
	305	1-#4	1915	3450	3000	3200	3650	2850	3500	2650	3350
			2872	3450	3000	3550	4050	3300	4250	3050	4100
1-#5		1915	3450	3000	3550	4050	3350	4350	3150	4150	
		2872	3450	3000	3550	4050	3600	4850	3550	5100	
2-#4 1-#6		1915	DR	DR	3550	4050	3600	4850	3400	4750	
		2872	DR	DR	3550	4050	3600	4850	3650	5600	
2-#5		1915	DR	DR	3550	4050	3600	4850	3650	5600	
		2872	DR	DR	3550	4050	3600	4850	3650	5600	
405		1-#4	1915	4100	3950	3600	4150	3200	3950	3000	3750
			2872	4100	3950	4150	5050	3750	4800	3450	4550
	1-#5	1915	4100	3950	4200	5150	3800	4900	3550	4650	
		2872	4100	3950	4200	5250	4250	5650	4050	5650	
	2-#4 1-#6	1915	4100	3950	4200	5250	4150	5550	3850	5250	
		2872	4100	3950	4200	5250	4250	6150	4250	—	
	2-#5	1915	4100	3950	4200	5250	4250	6150	4250	—	
		2872	DR	DR	4200	5250	4250	6150	4250	—	
510	1-#4	1915	4550	4800	3950	4500	3550	4250	3300	4000	
		2872	4650	4800	4550	5500	4100	5150	3800	4900	
	1-#5	1915	4650	4800	4200	5600	4150	5300	3850	5000	
		2872	4650	4800	4750	6200	4800	—	4450	6100	
	2-#4 1-#6	1915	4650	4800	4750	6200	4550	—	4200	—	
		2872	4650	4800	4750	6200	4800	—	4850	—	
	2-#5	1915	4650	4800	4750	6200	4800	—	4850	—	
		2872	4550	4800	4750	6200	4800	—	4850	—	

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TABLE R608.8(9)—continued
MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE CLEAR SPANS FOR FLAT LINTELS WITHOUT STIRRUPS IN NONLOAD-BEARING WALLS^{a, b, c, d, e, g}

LINTEL DEPTH, <i>D</i> ^c (mm)	NUMBER OF BARS AND BAR SIZE	STEEL YIELD STRENGTH, <i>f_y</i> (KPa)	NOMINAL WALL THICKNESS (mm)							
			102		150		205		255	
			Lintel Supporting							
			Concrete Wall	Light-framed Gable	Concrete Wall	Light-framed Gable	Concrete Wall	Light-framed Gable	Concrete Wall	Light-framed Gable
Maximum Clear Span of Lintel (mm)										
610	1-#4	1915	4900	5200	4250	4800	3850	4450	3500	4200
		2872	5150	5600	4900	4950	4400	5450	4050	5150
	1-#5	1915	5150	5600	4950	5950	4500	5600	4150	5250
		2872	5150	5600	5250	—	5150	—	4750	—
	2-#4 1-#6	1915	5150	5600	5250	—	4900	—	4500	—
		2872	5150	5600	5250	—	5300	—	5200	—
	2-#5	1915	5150	5600	5250	—	5300	—	5250	—
		2872	5159	5600	5250	—	5300	—	5350	—

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 kPa = 0.145 pound per square inch, Grade 40 = 280 MPa, Grade 60 = 420 MPa.

DR = Design Required.

- a. See Table R608.3 for tolerances permitted from nominal thickness.
- b. Table values are based on concrete with a minimum specified compressive strength of 17,238 kPa (2,500 psi). See Note e.
- c. Deflection criterion is $L/240$, where L is the clear span of the lintel in inches, or 12.5 mm ($1/2$ inch), whichever is less.
- d. Linear interpolation between lintels depths, D , is permitted provided the two cells being used to interpolate are shaded.
- e. Where concrete with a minimum specified compressive strength of 20,685 kPa (3,000 psi) is used, spans in cells that are shaded shall be permitted to be multiplied by 1.05.
- f. Lintel depth, D , is permitted to include the available height of wall located directly above the lintel, provided that the increased lintel depth spans the entire length of the lintel.
- g. The maximum clear opening width between two solid wall segments shall be 5,486 mm (18 feet). See Section R608.7.2.1. Lintel spans in the table greater than 5,486 mm (18 feet) are shown for interpolation and information purposes only.

TABLE R608.8(10)
MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE CLEAR SPANS FOR WAFFLE-GRID AND SCREEN-GRID LINTELS WITHOUT STIRRUPS IN NONLOAD-BEARING WALLS^{c, d, e, f, g}

LINTEL DEPTH ^b , <i>D</i> (mm)	FORM TYPE AND NOMINAL WALL THICKNESS (mm)					
	150-mm Waffle-grid ^a		205-mm Waffle-grid ^a		150-mm Screen-grid ^b	
	Lintel supporting					
	Concrete Wall	Light-framed	Concrete Wall	Light-framed Gable	Concrete Wall	Light-framed Gable
Maximum Clear Span of Lintel (mm)						
205	3100	2650	2650	2500	—	—
305	2750	2250	1450	2150	2650	2050
405	3350	3050	2850	2800	—	—
510	3750	3700	3200	3400	—	—
610	4150	4300	3600	3950	3950	3850

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, Grade 40 = 280 MPa, Grade 60 = 420 MPa.

- a. Where lintels are formed with waffle-grid forms, form material shall be removed, if necessary, to create top and bottom flanges of the lintel that are not less than 76 mm (3 inches) in depth (in the vertical direction), are not less than 127 mm (5 inches) in width for 150 mm (6-inch) waffle-grid forms and not less than 178 mm (7 inches) in width for 205 mm (8-inch) waffle-grid forms. See Figure R608.8(3). Flat-form lintels shall be permitted in lieu of waffle-grid lintels. See Tables R608.8(2) through R608.8(5).
- b. Where lintels are formed with screen-grid forms, form material shall be removed if necessary to create top and bottom flanges of the lintel that are not less than 127 mm (5 inches) in width and not less than 63.5 mm (2.5 inches) in depth (in the vertical direction). See Figure R608.8(4). Flat-form lintels shall be permitted in lieu of screen-grid lintels. See Tables R608.8(2) through R608.8(5).
- c. See Table R608.3 for tolerances permitted from nominal thickness and minimum dimensions and spacing of cores.
- d. Table values are based on concrete with a minimum specified compressive strength of 17,238 kPa (2,500 psi). See Note g.
- e. Deflection criterion is $L/240$, where L is the clear span of the lintel in inches, or 12.5 mm ($1/2$ inch), whichever is less.

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- f. Top and bottom reinforcement shall consist of a No. 4 bar having a minimum yield strength of 275,800 kPa (40,000 psi).
- g. Where concrete with a minimum specified compressive strength of 20,685 kPa (3,000 psi) is used, spans in shaded cells shall be permitted to be multiplied by 1.05.
- h. Lintel depth, D , is permitted to include the available height of wall located directly above the lintel, provided that the increased lintel depth spans the entire length of the lintel.

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R608.9 Requirements for connections—general. Concrete walls shall be connected to footings, floors, ceilings and roofs in accordance with this section.

R608.9.1 Connections between concrete walls and light-framed floor, ceiling and roof systems. Connections between concrete walls and light-framed floor, ceiling and roof systems using the prescriptive details of Figures R608.9(1) through R608.9(12) shall comply with this section and Sections R608.9.2 and R608.9.3.

R608.9.1.1 Anchor bolts. Anchor bolts used to connect light-framed floor, ceiling and roof systems to concrete walls in accordance with Figures R608.9(1) through R608.9(12) shall have heads, or shall be rods with threads on both ends with a hex or square nut on the end embedded in the concrete. Bolts and threaded rods shall comply with Section R608.5.2.2. Anchor bolts with J- or L-hooks shall not be used where the connection details in these figures are used.

R608.9.1.2 Removal of stay-in-place form material at bolts. Holes in stay-in-place forms for installing bolts for attaching face-mounted wood ledger boards to the wall shall be not less than 100 mm (4 inches) in diameter for forms not greater than 38 mm (1½ inches) in thickness, and increased 25.4 mm (1 inch) in diameter for each 12.5 mm (½-inch) increase in form thickness. Holes in stay-in-place forms for installing bolts for attaching face-mounted cold-formed steel tracks to the wall shall be not less than 100 mm (4 inches) square. The wood ledger board or steel track shall be in direct contact with the concrete at each bolt location.

Exception: A vapor retarder or other material less than or equal to 1.5 mm (1/16 inch) in thickness is permitted to be installed between the wood ledger or cold-formed track and the concrete.

R608.9.2 Connections between concrete walls and light-framed floor systems. Connections between concrete walls and light-framed floor systems shall be in accordance with one of the following:

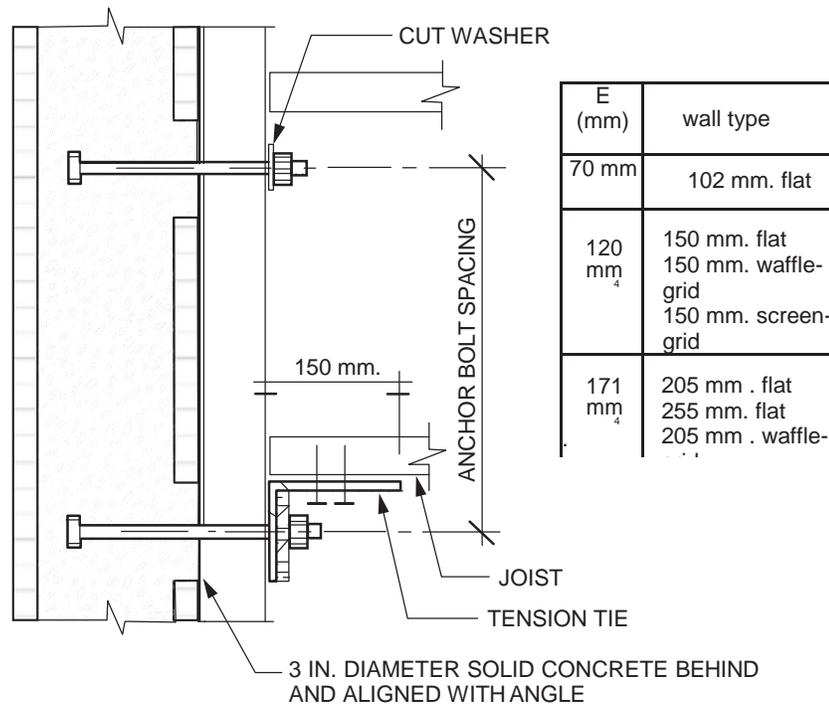
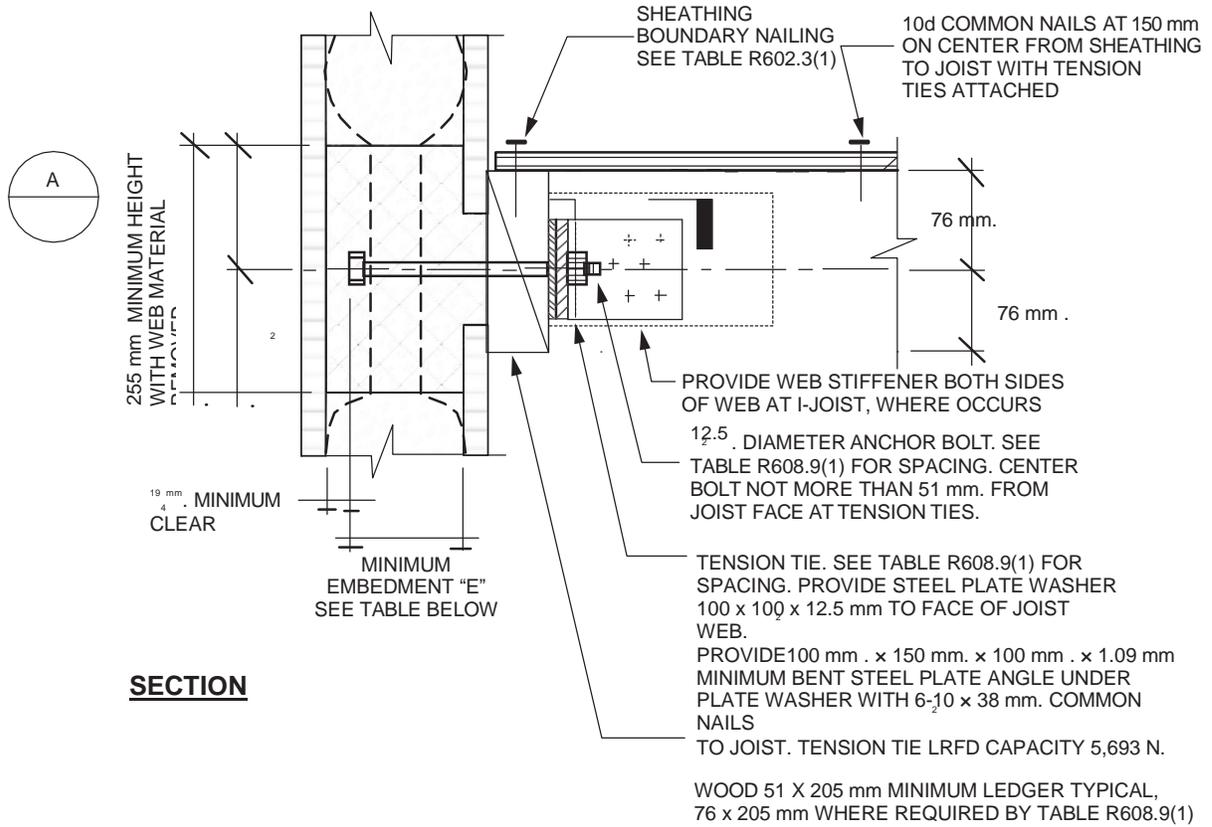
1. For floor systems of wood-framed construction, the provisions of Section R608.9.1 and the prescriptive details of Figures R608.9(1) through R608.9(4), where permitted by the tables accompanying those figures. Portions of connections of wood-framed floor systems not noted in the figures shall be in accordance with Section R502, or AWC WFCM, if applicable. Wood framing members shall be of a species having a specific gravity equal to or greater than 0.42.
2. For floor systems of cold-formed steel construction, the provisions of Section R608.9.1 and the prescriptive details of Figures R608.9(5) through R608.9(8), where permitted by the tables accompanying those figures. Portions of connections of cold-formed steel-framed floor systems not noted in the figures shall be in accordance with Section R505, or AISI S230, if applicable.

3. Proprietary connectors selected to resist loads and load combinations in accordance with Appendix A (ASD) or Appendix B (LRFD) of PCA 100.
4. An engineered design using loads and load combinations in accordance with Appendix A (ASD) or Appendix B (LRFD) of PCA 100.
5. An engineered design using loads and material design provisions in accordance with this code, or in accordance with ASCE 7, ACI 318, and AWC NDS for wood-framed construction or AISI S100 for cold-formed steel frame construction.

R608.9.3 Connections between concrete walls and light-framed ceiling and roof systems. Connections between concrete walls and light-framed ceiling and roof systems shall be in accordance with one of the following:

1. For ceiling and roof systems of wood-framed construction, the provisions of Section R608.9.1 and the prescriptive details of Figures R608.9(9) and R608.9(10), where permitted by the tables accompanying those figures. Portions of connections of wood-framed ceiling and roof systems not noted in the figures shall be in accordance with Section R802, or AWC WFCM, if applicable. Wood framing members shall be of a species having a specific gravity equal to or greater than 0.42.
2. For ceiling and roof systems of cold-formed steel construction, the provisions of Section R608.9.1 and the prescriptive details of Figures R608.9(11) and R608.9(12), where permitted by the tables accompanying those figures. Portions of connections of cold-formed-steel framed ceiling and roof systems not noted in the figures shall be in accordance with Section R804, or AISI S230, if applicable.
3. Proprietary connectors selected to resist loads and load combinations in accordance with Appendix A (ASD) or Appendix B (LRFD) of PCA 100.
4. An engineered design using loads and load combinations in accordance with Appendix A (ASD) or Appendix B (LRFD) of PCA 100.
5. An engineered design using loads and material design provisions in accordance with this code, or in accordance with ASCE 7, ACI 318, and AWC NDS for wood-framed construction or AISI S100 for cold-formed steel-framed construction.

R608.10 Floor, roof and ceiling diaphragms. Floors and roofs in buildings with exterior walls of concrete shall be designed and constructed as diaphragms. Where gable-end walls occur, ceilings shall be designed and constructed as diaphragms. The design and construction of floors, roofs and ceilings of wood framing or cold-formed-steel framing serving as diaphragms shall comply with the applicable requirements of this code, or AWC WFCM or AISI S230, if applicable. Wood framing members shall be of a species having a specific gravity equal to or greater than 0.42.



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For Inch Pound Units: 1 mil = 0.0254 mm, 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 N = 0.22 pound-force.

**FIGURE R608.9(1)
WOOD-FRAMED FLOOR TO SIDE OF CONCRETE WALL, FRAMING PERPENDICULAR**

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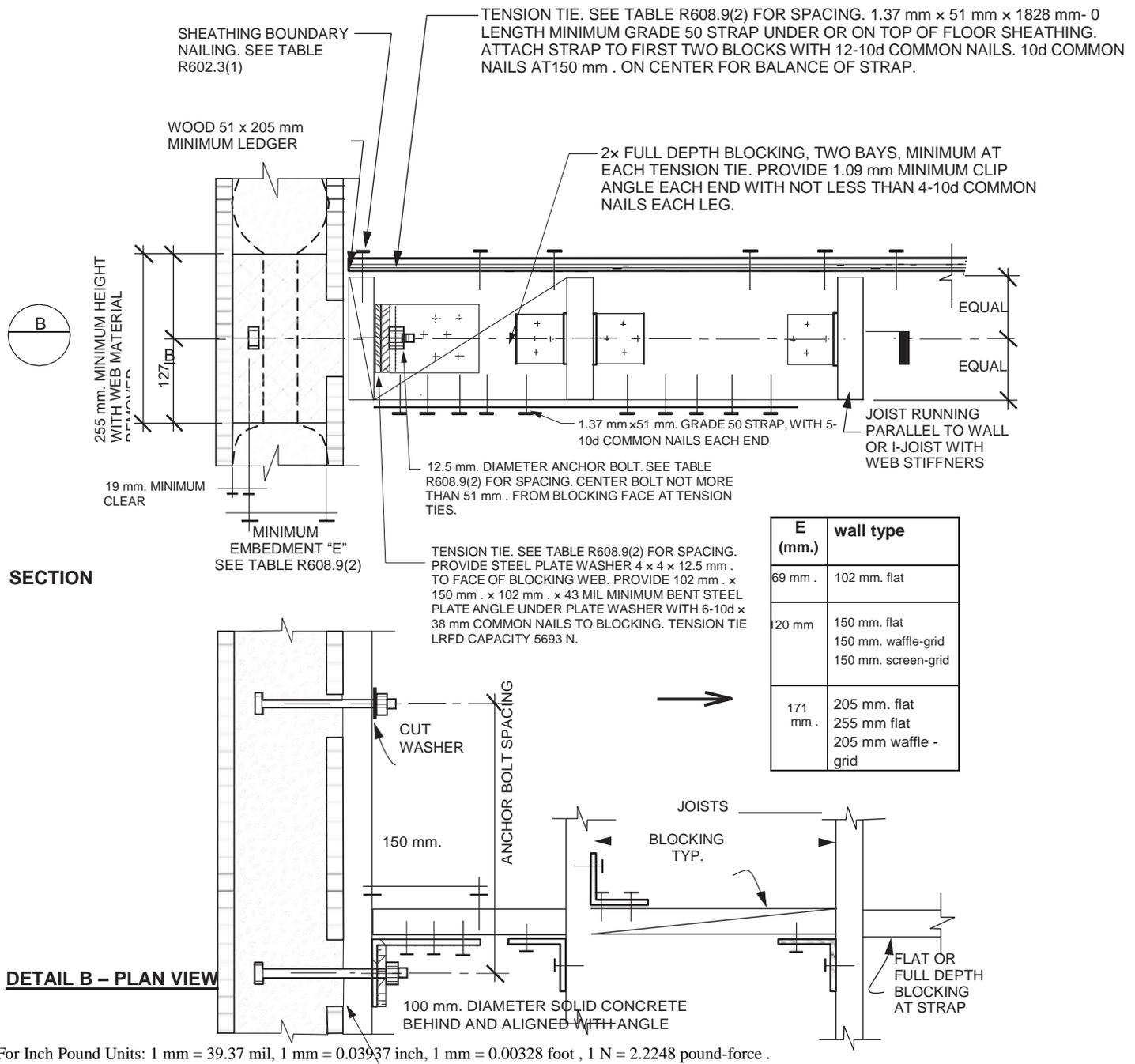
TABLE R608.9(1)
WOOD-FRAMED FLOOR TO SIDE OF CONCRETE WALL, FRAMING PERPENDICULAR^{a, b}

ANCHOR BOLT SPACING (mm)	TENSION TIE SPACING (mm)	BASIC WIND SPEED (m/s)					
		51B	54B	58B	63B	67B	72B
		—	—	49C	53C	57C	61C
		—	—	—	49D	52D	56D
305	305						
305	610						
305	915						
305	1220						
405	405						
405	813						
405	1220						
488	488						
488	975						

For 62: 1 mm = 0,03937 inch, 1 m/s = 2.237 mile per hour.

a. This table is for use with the detail in Figure R608.9(1). Use of this detail is permitted where a cell is not shaded and prohibited where shaded.

b. Wall design per other provisions of Section R608 is required.



For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 39.37 mil, 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 N = 2.2248 pound-force .

FIGURE R608.9(2)
WOOD-FRAMED FLOOR TO SIDE OF CONCRETE WALL, FRAMING PARALLEL

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**TABLE R608.9(2)
WOOD-FRAMED FLOOR TO SIDE OF CONCRETE WALL, FRAMING PARALLEL^{a, b}**

ANCHOR BOLT SPACING (mm)	TENSION TIE SPACING (mm)	BASIC WIND SPEED (m/s) AND WIND EXPOSURE CATEGORY					
		51B	54B	58B	63B	67B	72B
		—	—	—	53C	57C	61C
		—	—	—	49D	52D	56D
305	305						
305	610						
305	915						
305	1220						
405	405						
405	813						
405	1220						
488	488						
488	975						
610	610						
610	1220						

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.039 inch, 1 m/s = 2.237 mile per hour.

a. This table is for use with the detail in Figure R608.9(2). Use of this detail is permitted where a cell is not shaded and prohibited where shaded.

b. Wall design per other provisions of Section R608 is required.

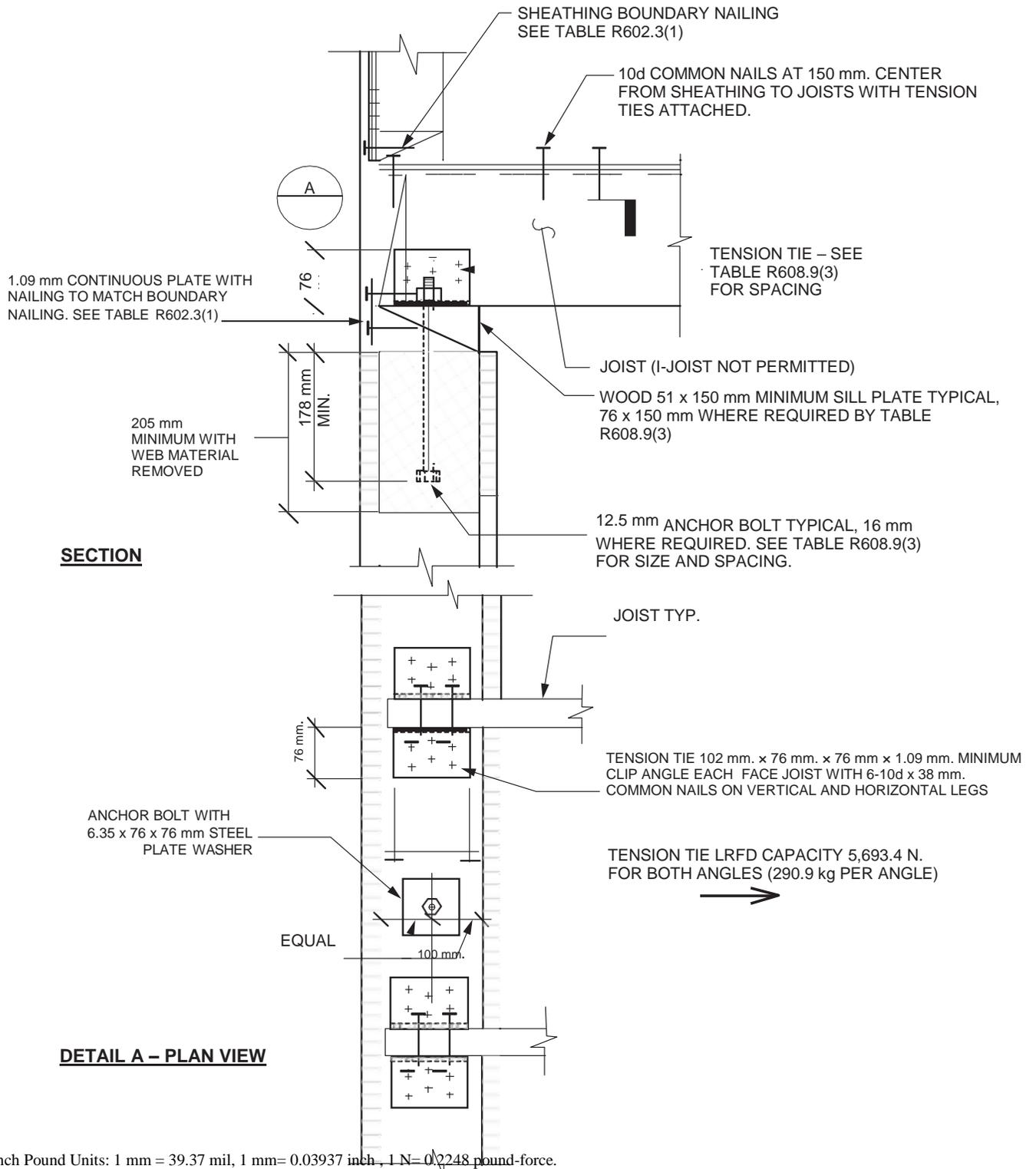


FIGURE R608.9(3)
WOOD-FRAMED FLOOR TO TOP OF CONCRETE WALL FRAMING, PERPENDICULAR

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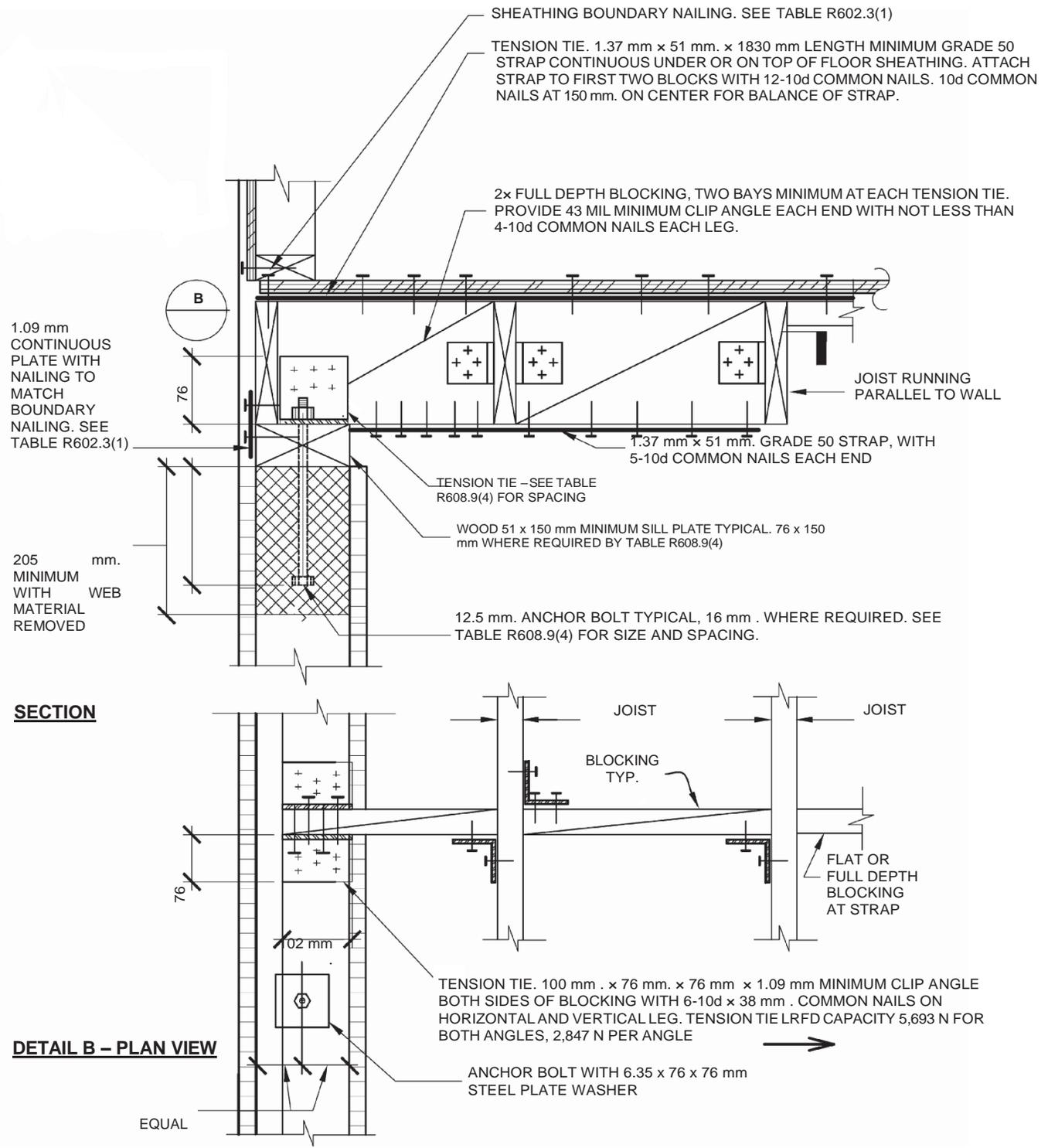
TABLE R608.9(3)
WOOD-FRAMED FLOOR TO TOP OF CONCRETE WALL, FRAMING PERPENDICULAR^{a, b, c, d, e}

ANCHOR BOLT SPACING (millimetres)	TENSION TIE SPACING (millimetres)	BASIC WIND SPEED (m/s) AND WIND EXPOSURE CATEGORY					
		51B	54B	58B	63B	67B	72B
		—	—	49C	53C	57C	61C
		—	—	—	49D	52D	56D
305	305						2.7
305	610					2.7	2.7
305	915					2.7	2.7
305	1220				2.7	2.7	2.7
405	406					2.7	2.7A
405	813				2.7	2.7	2.7A
405	1220			2.7	2.7	2.7	2.7A
488	488				2.7A	2.7A	2.7B
488	975			2.7	2.7A	2.7A	2.7B
610	610			2.7A	2.7B	2.7B	2.7B
610	1220		2.7	2.7A	2.7B	2.7B	3.6B

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 m/s = 2.237 mile per hour.

- a. This table is for use with the detail in Figure R608.9(3). Use of this detail is permitted where cell is not shaded.
- b. Wall design per other provisions in Section R608 is required.
- c. For wind design, minimum 100 mm (4-inch)-nominal wall is permitted in unshaded cells that do not contain a number.
- d. Numbers 6 and 8 indicate minimum permitted nominal wall thickness in millimetres (inches) necessary to develop required strength (capacity) of connection. As a minimum, this nominal thickness shall occur in the portion of the wall indicated by the cross hatching in Figure R608.9(3). For the remainder of the wall, see Note b.
- e. Letter “A” indicates that a minimum nominal 76 mm x 150 mm (3” x 6”) sill plate is required. Letter “B” indicates that a 16 mm (5/8-inch)-diameter anchor bolt and a minimum nominal 76 mm x 150 mm (3” x 6”) sill plate are required.

f.



For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 39.37 mil, 1 mm = 0.03937 inch , 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 N = 0.2248 pound-force.

FIGURE R608.9(4)
WOOD-FRAMED FLOOR TO TOP OF CONCRETE WALL, FRAMING PARALLEL

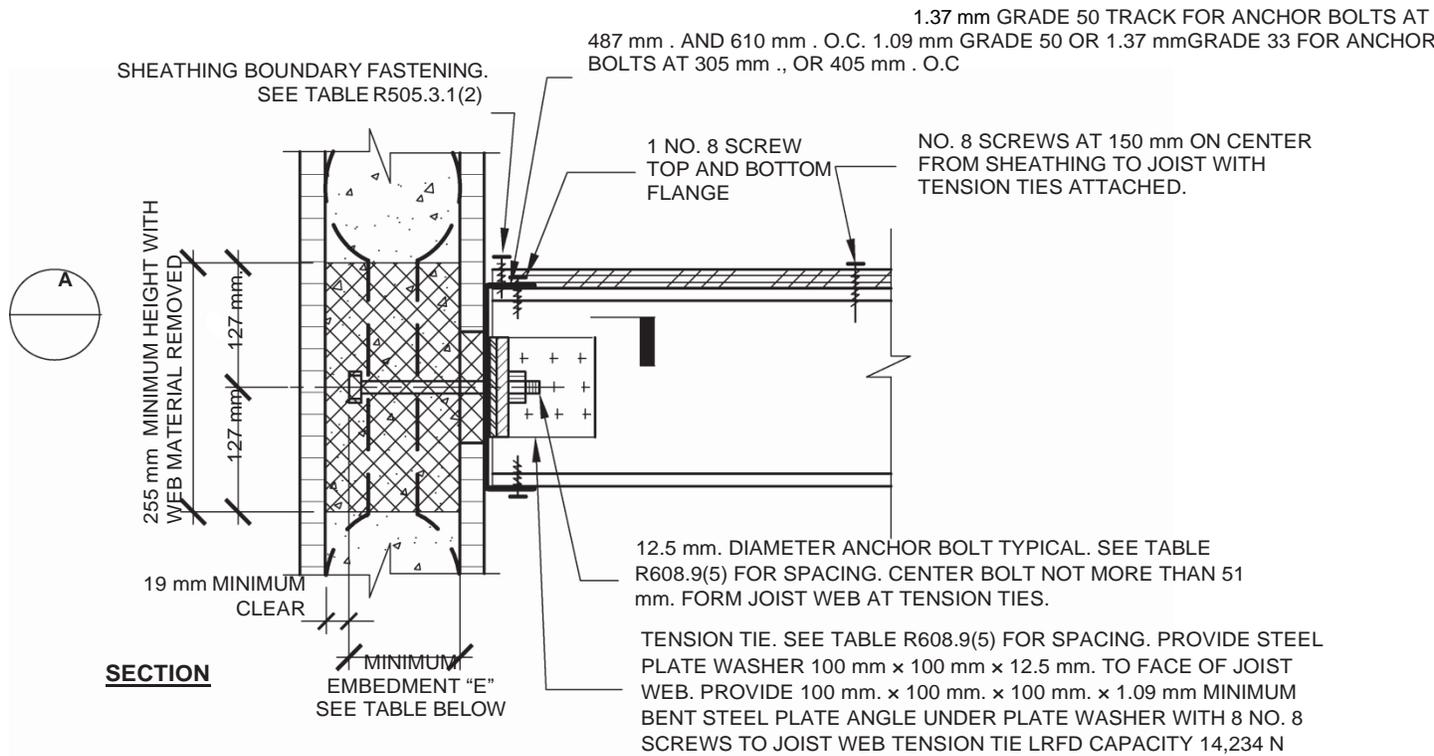
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TABLE R608.9(4)
WOOD-FRAMED FLOOR TO TOP OF CONCRETE WALL, FRAMING PARALLEL ^{a, b, c, d, e}

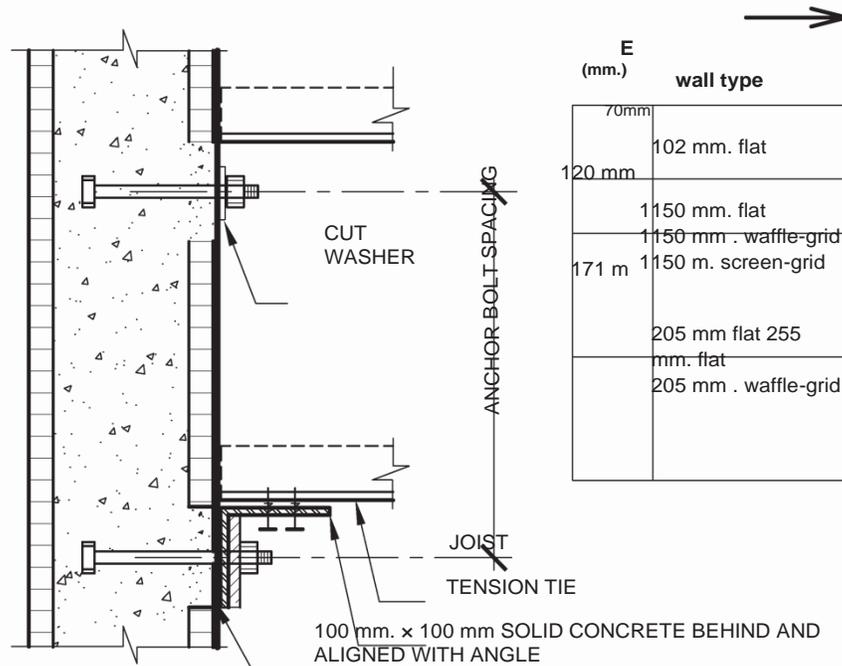
ANCHOR BOLT SPACING (mm)	TENSION TIE SPACING (mm)	BASIC WIND SPEED (m/s) AND WIND EXPOSURE CATEGORY					
		51B	54B	58B	63B	67B	72B
		—	—	49C	53C	57C	1C
		—	—	—	49D	52D	56D
305	305			6			2.7
305	610					2.7	2.7
305	915					2.7	2.7
305	1220				2.7	2.7	2.7
405	405					2.7	2.7A
405	812				2.7	2.7	2.7A
405	1200			2.7	2.7	2.7	2.7A
488	488				2.7A	2.7A	2.7B
488	975			2.7	2.7A	2.7A	2.7B
610	610			2.7A	2.7B	2.7B	2.7B
610	1220		2.7	2.7A	2.7B	2.7B	3.6B

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 m/s = 2.237 mile per hour.

- a. This table is for use with the detail in Figure R608.9(4). Use of this detail is permitted where a cell is not shaded.
- b. Wall design per other provisions of Section R608 is required.
- c. For wind design, minimum 100 mm (4-inch)-nominal wall is permitted in unshaded cells that do not contain a number.
- d. Numbers 6 and 8 indicate minimum permitted nominal wall thickness in inches necessary to develop required strength (capacity) of connection. As a minimum, this nominal thickness shall occur in the portion of the wall indicated by the cross hatching in Figure R608.9(4). For the remainder of the wall, see Note b.
- e. Letter “A” indicates that a minimum nominal 76 x 150 mm (3 x 6) sill plate is required. Letter “B” indicates that a 16 mm (5/8-inch)-diameter anchor bolt and a minimum nominal 76 x 150 mm (3 x 6) sill plate are required.



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For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 39.37 mil, 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 N = 0.2248 pound-force.

FIGURE R608.9(5)
COLD-FORMED STEEL FLOOR TO SIDE OF CONCRETE WALL, FRAMING PERPENDICULAR

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**TABLE R608.9(5)
COLD-FORMED STEEL-FRAMED FLOOR TO SIDE OF CONCRETE WALL, FRAMING PERPENDICULAR^{a, b, c}**

ANCHOR BOLT SPACING (mm)	TENSION TIE SPACING (mm)	BASIC WIND SPEED (m/s) AND WIND EXPOSURE CATEGORY					
		51B	54B	58B	63B	67B	72B
		—	—	49C	53C	57C	61C
		—	—	—	49D	52D	56D
305	305						
305	610						
305	915						
305	1200						
405	405						
405	812						
405	1200						
487	487						
487	975						
610	610						
610	1200						

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 m/s = 2.237 mile per hour.

a. This table is for use with the detail in Figure R608.9(5). Use of this detail is permitted where a cell is not shaded.

b. Wall design per other provisions of Section R608 is required.

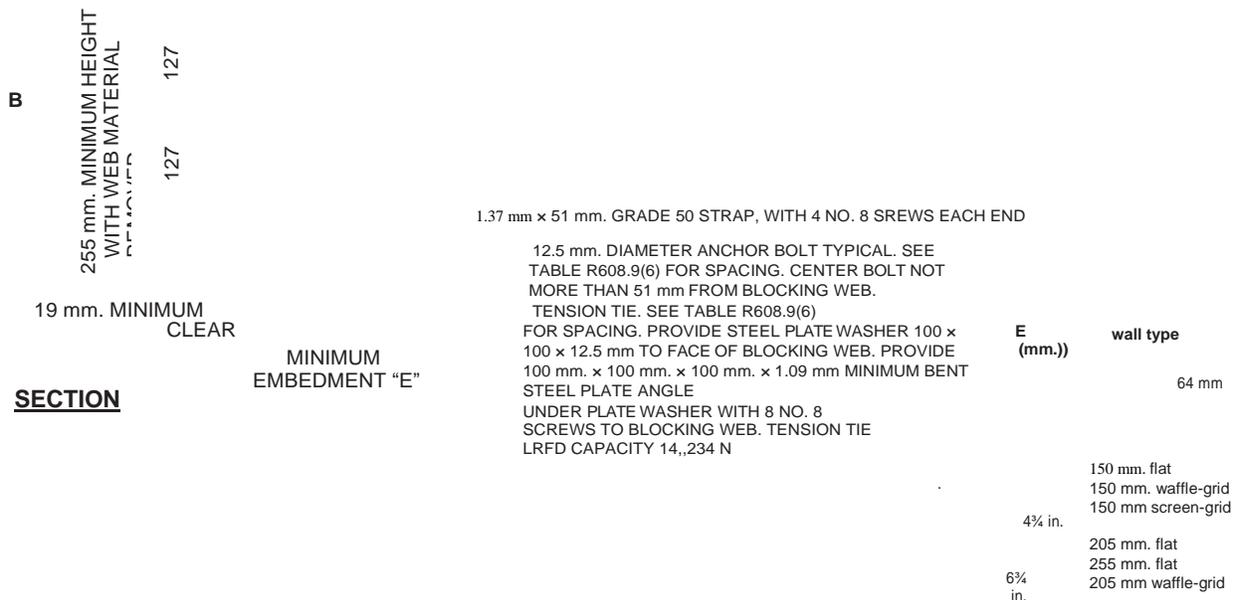
c. For wind design, minimum 100 mm (4-inch)-nominal wall is permitted in unshaded cells that do not contain a number.

1.09 mm MINIMUM TRACK. ONE NO. 8 SCREW FROM TRACK TO BLOCKING, TOP AND BOTTOM FLANGE

SHEATHING BOUNDARY FASTENING. SEE TABLE R505.3.1(2)

TENSION TIE. 1.63 mm x 51 mm. x 1828 mm. 0 LENGTH MINIMUM GRADE 50 STRAP UNDER OR ON TOP OF FLOOR SHEATHING. ATTACH STRAP TO FIRST TWO BLOCKS WITH 12 NO. 8 SCREWS. NO. 8 SCREWS AT 150 mm. ON CENTER FOR BALANCE OF STRAP

1.09 mm MINIMUM FULL DEPTH BLOCKING, TWO BAYS MINIMUM AT EACH TENSION TIE. PROVIDE 1.09 mm MINIMUM CLIP ANGLE EACH END WITH NOT LESS THAN 4 NO. 8 SCREWS EACH LEG



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ALTERNATE END
CONNECTION WITH
BENT BLOCKING WEB
WITH 4 NO. 8 SCREWS
EACH END

FLAT OR FULL
DEPTH BLOCKING
AT STRAP

102 mm. x 102 mm SOLID CONCRETE BEHIND AND
ALIGNED WITH ANGLE

For Inch Pound Units : 1 mil = 0.0254 mm, 1 mm= 0.03937 inch , 1 N= 0.2248 pound-force .

FIGURE R608.9(6)
COLD-FORMED STEEL FLOOR TO SIDE OF CONCRETE WALL, FRAMING PARALLEL

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TABLE R608.9(6)
COLD-FORMED STEEL-FRAMED FLOOR TO SIDE OF CONCRETE WALL, FRAMING PARALLEL^{a, b, c}

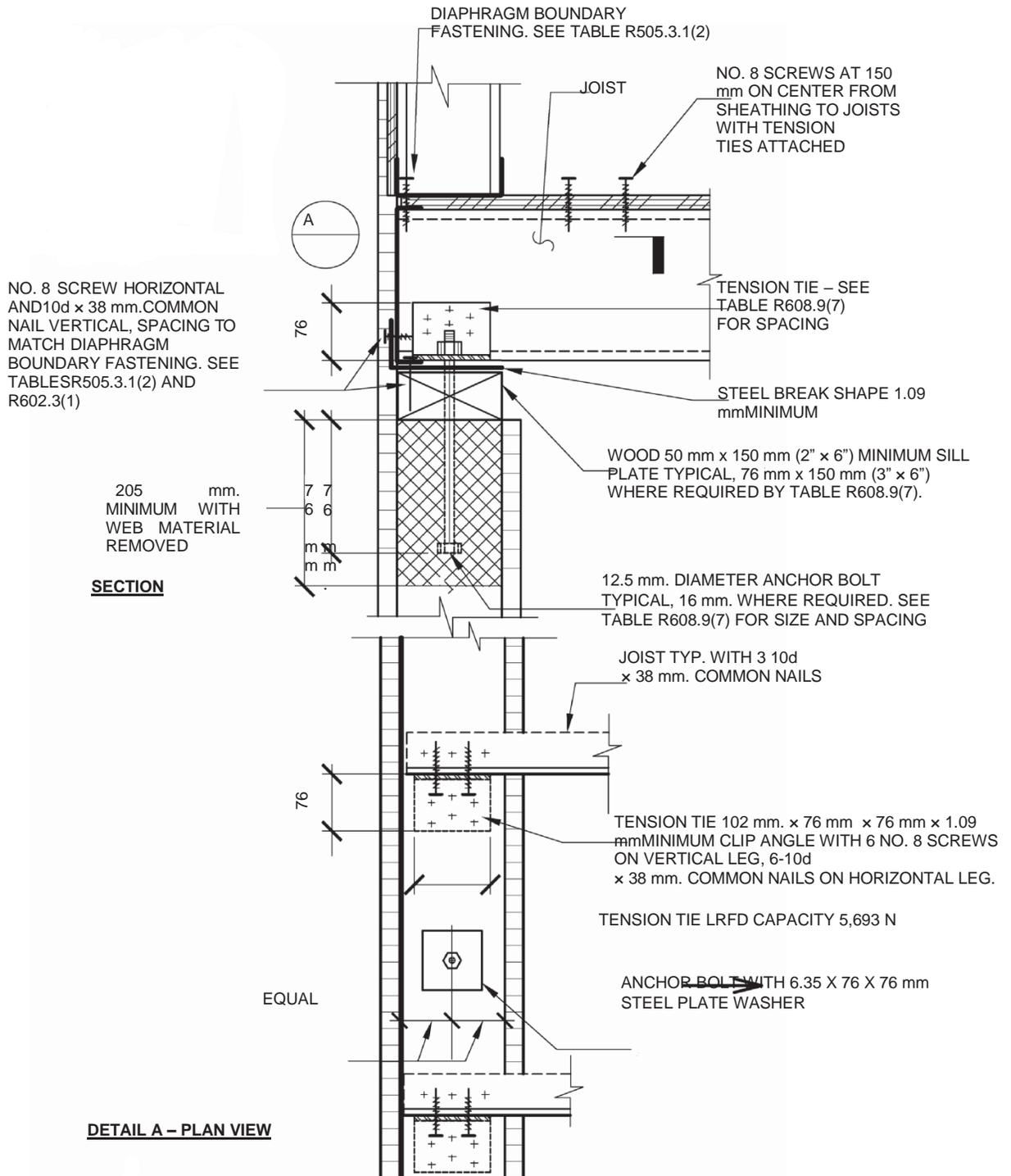
ANCHOR BOLT SPACING (mm)	TENSION TIE SPACING (mm)	BASIC WIND SPEED (m/s) AND WIND EXPOSURE CATEGORY					
		51B	54B	58B	63B	6B	72B
		—	—	49C	53C	57C	61C
		—	—	—	49D	52D	56D
305	305						
305	610						
305	915						
305	1220						
405	405						
405	813						
405	1220						
488	488						
488	975						
610	610						
610	1220						

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm= 0.03937 inch , 1 m/s= 2.237 mile per hour.

a. This table is for use with the detail in Figure R608.9(6). Use of this detail is permitted where a cell is not shaded.

b. Wall design per other provisions of Section R608 is required.

c. For wind design, minimum 102 mm (4-inch)-nominal wall is permitted in unshaded cells that do not contain a number.



For Inch Pound Units: 1 mil = 0.0254 mm, 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 N = 0.22 pound-force.

FIGURE R608.9(7)
COLD-FORMED STEEL FLOOR TO TOP OF CONCRETE WALL, FRAMING PERPENDICULAR

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TABLE R608.9(7)
COLD-FORMED STEEL-FRAMED FLOOR TO TOP OF CONCRETE WALL, FRAMING PERPENDICULAR^{a, b, c, d, e}

ANCHOR BOLT SPACING (mm)	TENSION TIE SPACING (mm)	BASIC WIND SPEED AND WIND EXPOSURE CATEGORY (m/s)					
		51B	54B	58B	63B	67B	72B
		—	—	49C	53C	57C	61C
		—	—	—	49D	52D	56D
305	305						2.7
305	610					2.7	2.7
405	405					2.7	2.7A
405	813				2.7	2.7	2.7A
487	387				2.7A	2.7A	2.7B
487	975			2.7	2.7A	2.7A	2.7B
610	610			2.7A	2.7B	2.7B	2.7B

For Inch Pound Units : 1 mm= 0.03937 inch , 1 m/s= 2.237 mile per hour .

- This table is for use with the detail in Figure R608.9(7). Use of this detail is permitted where a cell is not shaded.
- Wall design per other provisions of Section R608 is required.
- For wind design, minimum 102 mm (4-inch)-nominal wall is permitted in unshaded cells that do not contain a number.
- Number 6 indicates minimum permitted nominal wall thickness in millimetres (inches) necessary to develop required strength (capacity) of connection. As a minimum, this nominal thickness shall occur in the portion of the wall indicated by the cross hatching in Figure R608.9(7). For the remainder of the wall, see Note b.
- Letter "A" indicates that a minimum nominal 76 x 150 mm (3" x 6") sill plate is required. Letter "B" indicates that a 16 mm (5/8-inch)-diameter anchor bolt and a minimum nominal 76 x 150 mm (3" x 6") sill plate are required.

DIAPHRAGM BOUNDARY FASTENING. SEE TABLE R505.3.1(2)

TENSION TIE: 1.37 mm x 51 mm x 1828 mm LENGTH MINIMUM GRADE 50 STRAP UNDER OR ON TOP OF FLOOR SHEATHING. ATTACH STRAP TO FIRST TWO BLOCKS WITH 12 NO. 8 SCREWS. NO. 8 SCREWS AT 150 mm ON CENTER FOR BALANCE OF STRAP

1.09 mm MINIMUM FULL DEPTH BLOCKING, TWO BAYS MINIMUM AT EACH TENSION TIE. PROVIDE 1.09 mm MINIMUM CLIP ANGLE EACH END WITH NOT LESS THAN 4 NO. 8 SCREWS EACH LEG

NO. 8 SCREW
HORIZONTAL AND 10d
x 38 mm.
COMMON NAILS
VERTICAL, SPACING
TO MATCH
DIAPHRAGM BOUNDARY
FASTENING. SEE
TABLES R505.3.1(2)
AND R602.3(1)

B

TRACK

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178 mm

TENSION TIE – SEE
TABLE R608.9(8)
FOR SPACING

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1.37 mm
GRADE 50 x
51 mm.
STRAP,
WITH 4 NO. 8
SCREWS
EACH END

205 mm
MINIMUM
WITH WEB
MATERIAL
REMOVED

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192 mm	WOOD 50 x 150 mm MINIMUM SILL PLATE TYPICAL, 3x6 WHERE REQUIRED BY TABLE R608.9(8)	D CONNECTION WITH BENT BLOCKING WEB AND 4 NO. 8 SCREWS EACH END	JOIST	FLAT OR FULL DEPTH BLOCKING AT STRAP
	12.5 mm. DIAMETE R ANCHOR BOLT TYPICAL, 16 mm (⁵ / ₈ IN). WHERE REQUIRE D. SEE TABLE R608.9(8) FOR SIZE AND SPACING			
	BLO CKI NG TYP. WIT H 3 NO. 8 x 63.5 mm WO OD OD SCR EW S TO SILL		J O I S T	B L O C K I N G
			T Y P .	
			A	L T E R N A T E E N

TENSION TIE 100 mm x 76 mm . x 76 mm x 1.09 mm MINIMUM CLIP
ANGLE WITH 6 NO. 8 SCREWS ON VERTICAL LEG,
4 10d x 38 mm COMMON NAILS ON HORIZONTAL LEG. TENSION TIE
LRFD CAPACITY 5,693.4 N

ANCHOR BOLT WITH 6.35 x 76 x 76 mm STEEL
PLATE WASHER

EQUAL

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For Inch Pound Unts : 1 mil = 0.0254 mm, 1 mm= 0,03937 inch , 1 N= 0.22 pound-force .

FIGURE R608.9(8)
COLD-FORMED STEEL FLOOR TO TOP OF CONCRETE WALL, FRAMING PARALLEL

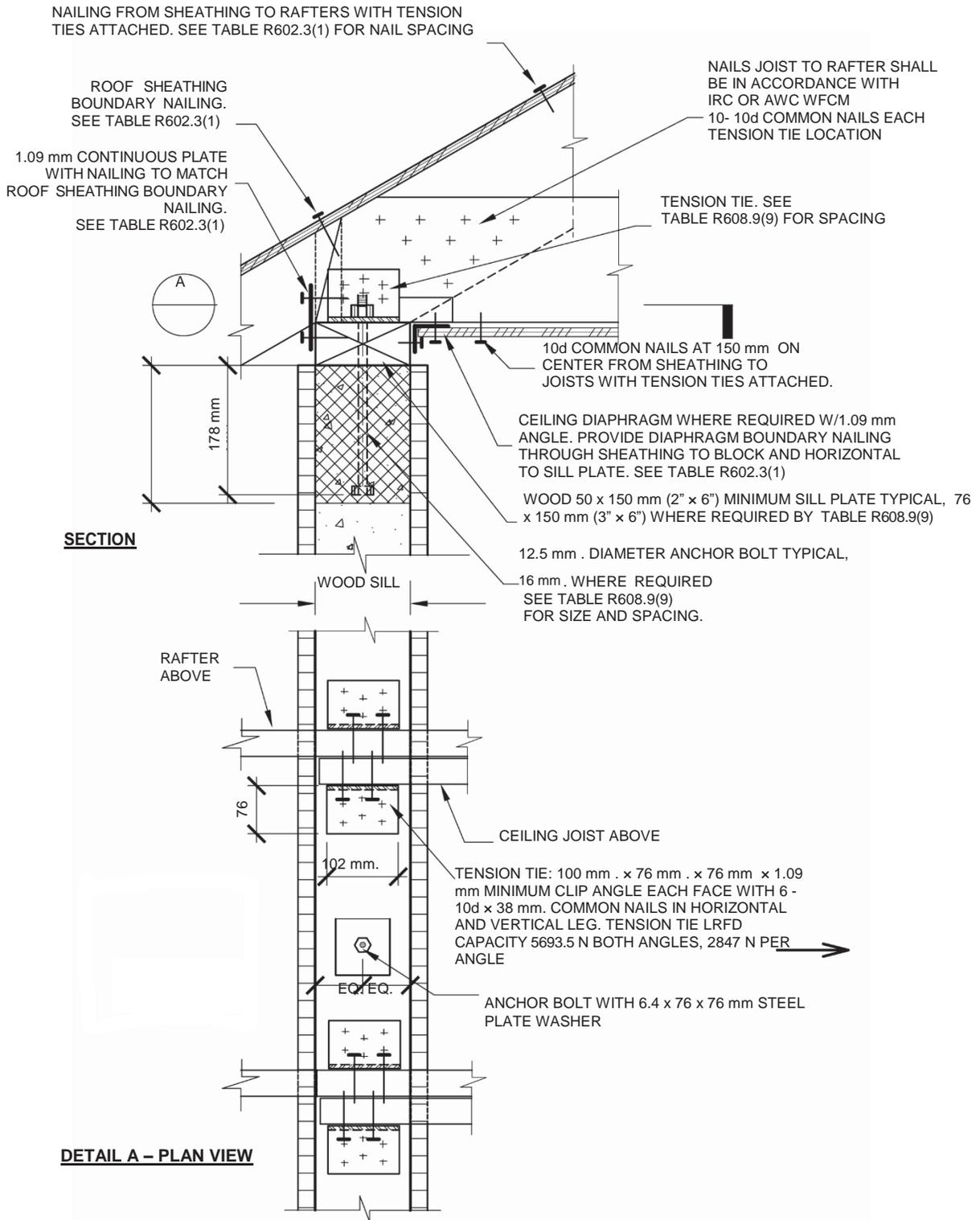
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TABLE R608.9(8)
COLD-FORMED STEEL-FRAMED FLOOR TO TOP OF CONCRETE WALL, FRAMING PARALLEL ^{a, b, c, d, e}

ANCHOR BOLT SPACING (mm)	TENSION TIE SPACING (mm)	BASIC WIND SPEED AND WIND EXPOSURE CATEGORY (m/s)					
		51B	54B	58B	63B	67B	72B
		—	—	49C	53C	57C	61C
		—	—	—	49D	52D	56D
305	305						2.7
305	610					2.7	2.7
405	405					2.7	2.7A
405	813				2.7	2.7	2.7A
488	488				2.7A	2.7A	2.7B
488	975			2.7	2.7A	2.7A	2.7B
610	610			2.7A	2.7B	2.7B	2.7B

For 8: 1 mm= 0.03937 inch , 1 m/s= 2.237 mile per hour .

- This table is for use with the detail in Figure R608.9(8). Use of this detail is permitted where a cell is not shaded.
- Wall design per other provisions of Section R608 is required.
- For wind design, minimum 102 mm (4-inch)-nominal wall is permitted in unshaded cells that do not contain a number.
- Number 6 indicates minimum permitted nominal wall thickness in millimetres (inches) necessary to develop required strength (capacity) of connection. As a minimum, this nominal thickness shall occur in the portion of the wall indicated by the cross hatching in Figure R608.9(8). For the remainder of the wall, see Note b.
- Letter "A" indicates that a minimum nominal 76 x 150 mm (3" x 6") sill plate is required. Letter "B" indicates that a 16 mm (5/8-inch)-diameter anchor bolt and a minimum nominal 76 x 150 mm (3" x 6") sill plate are required.



For Inch Pound Units : 1 mil = 0.254 mm, 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 N = 0.2248 pound-force .

FIGURE R608.9(9)
WOOD-FRAMED ROOF TO TOP OF CONCRETE WALL, FRAMING PERPENDICULAR

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TABLE R608.9(9)
WOOD-FRAMED ROOF TO TOP OF CONCRETE WALL, FRAMING PERPENDICULAR^{a, b, c, d, e}

ANCHOR BOLT SPACING (millimetres)	TENSION TIE SPACING (millimetres)	BASIC WIND SPEED (m/s) AND WIND EXPOSURE CATEGORY					
		51B	54B	58B	63B	67B	72B
		—	—	49C	53C	57C	61C
		—	—	—	49D	52D	56D
305	305						2.7
305	610						2.7
305	915					2.7	2.7
305	1220				2.7	2.7	2.7
405	405					2.7	2.7
405	813					2.7	2.7
405	1220				2.7	2.7	2.7
488	488					2.7	2.7
488	975				2.7	2.7	
610	610				2.7		
610	1220			2.7	3.6B		

For Inch Pound: 1mm= 0.03937 inch , 1 m/s= 2.237 mile per hour .

- a. This table is for use with the detail in Figure R608.9(9). Use of this detail is permitted where a cell is not shaded, and prohibited where shaded.
- b. Wall design per other provisions of Section R608 is required.
- c. For wind design, minimum 100 mm (4-inch)-nominal wall is permitted in unshaded cells that do not contain a number.
- d. Numbers 6 and 8 indicate minimum permitted nominal wall thickness in millimeters (inches) necessary to develop required strength (capacity) of connection. As a minimum, this nominal thickness shall occur in the portion of the wall indicated by the cross hatching in Figure R608.9(9). For the remainder of the wall, see Note b.
- e. Letter “B” indicates that a 16 mm (5/8-inch)-diameter anchor bolt and a minimum nominal 76 mm x 150 mm (3” 6”) sill plate are required.

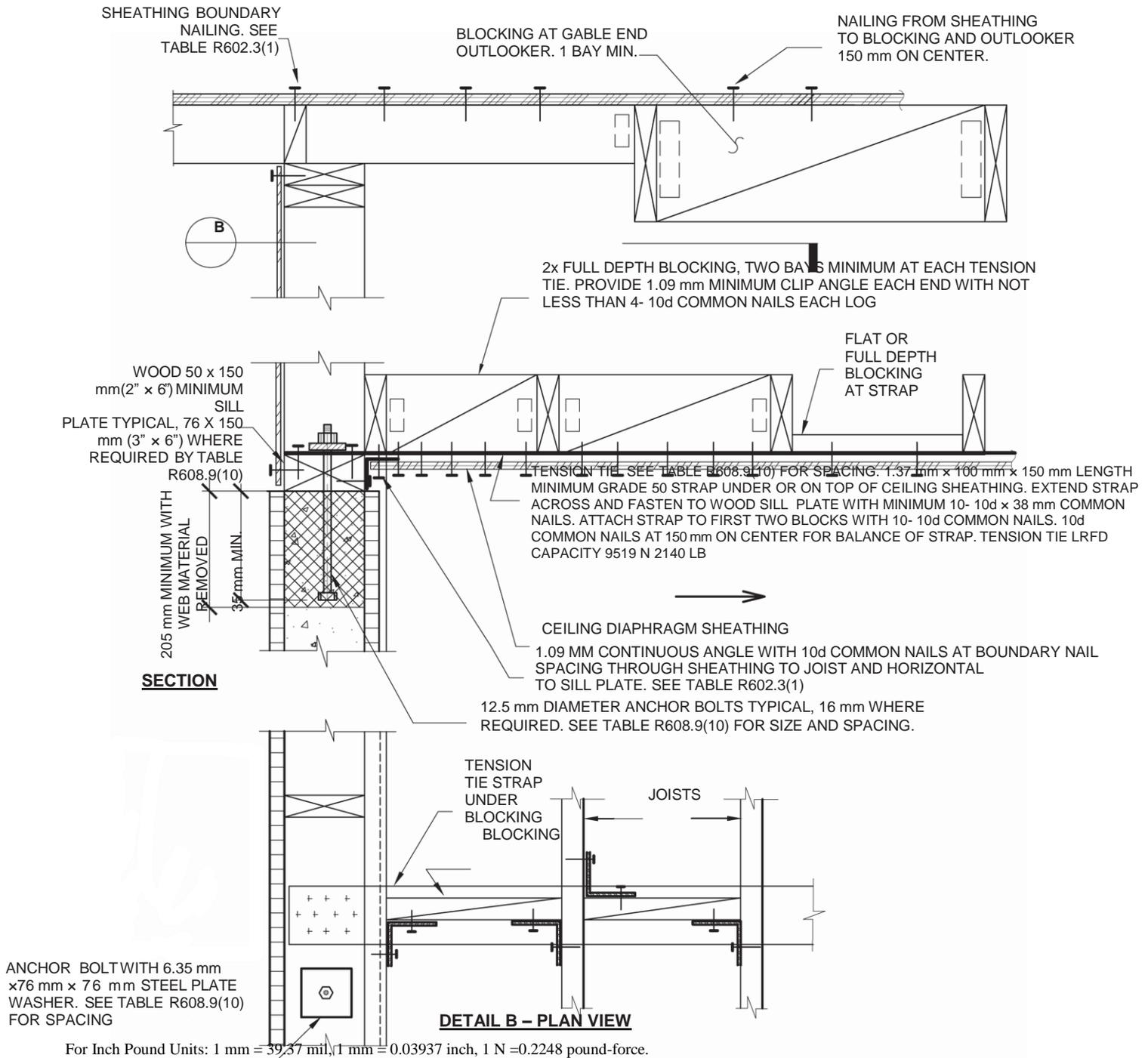


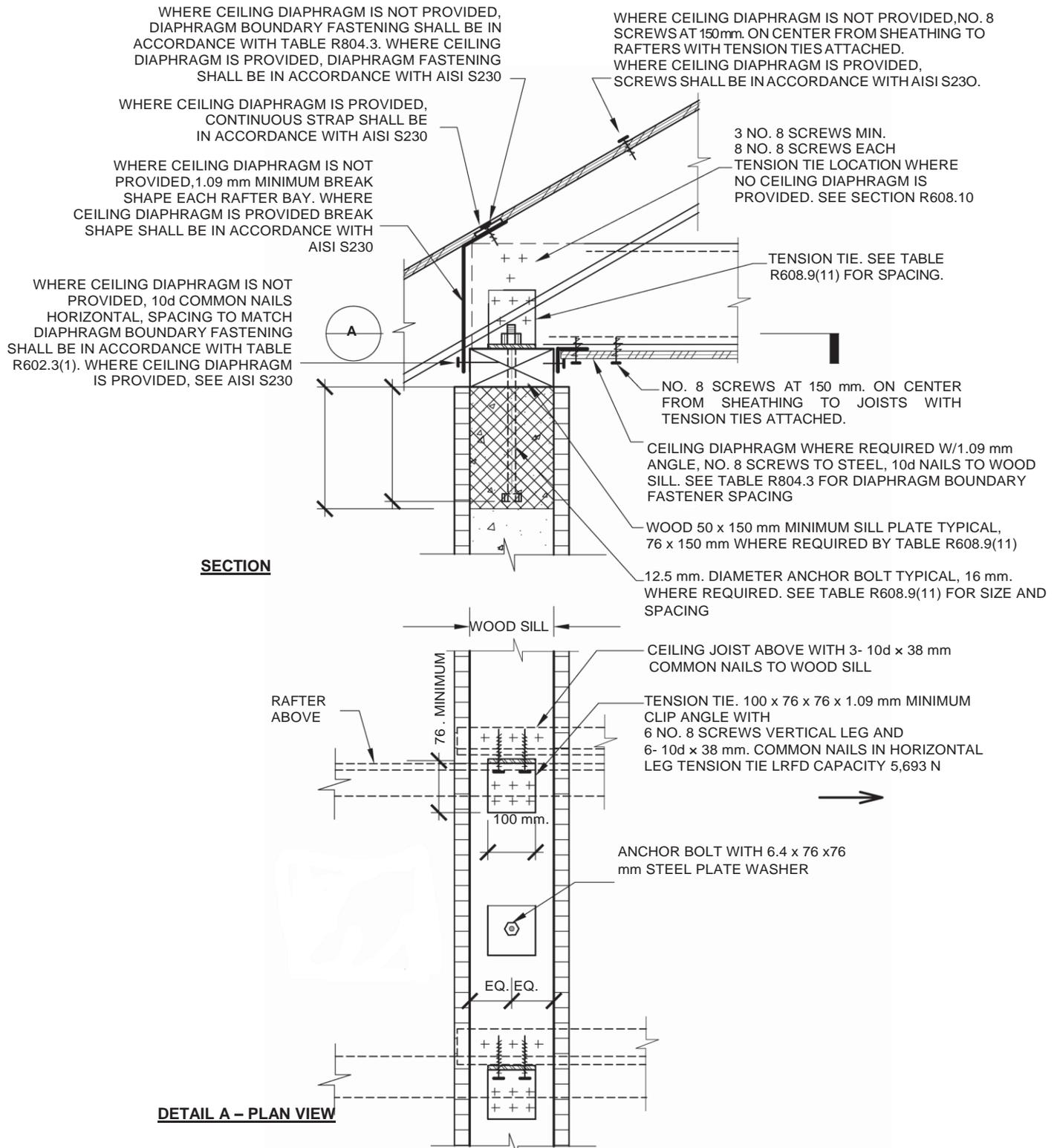
FIGURE R608.9(10)
WOOD-FRAMED ROOF TO TOP OF CONCRETE WALL, FRAMING PARALLEL

TABLE R608.9(10)
WOOD-FRAMED ROOF TO TOP OF CONCRETE WALL, FRAMING PARALLEL ^{a, b, c, d, e}

ANCHOR BOLT SPACING (millimetres)	TENSION TIE SPACING (millimetres)	BASIC WIND SPEED (m/s) AND WIND EXPOSURE CATEGORY					
		51B	54B	58B	63B	67B	72B
		—	—	49C	53C	57C	61C
		—	—	—	49D	52D	56D
305	305						2.7
305	610						2.7
305	915					2.7	2.7
305	1220				2.7	2.7	2.7
405	405					2.7	2.7
405	813					2.7	2.7
405	1220				2.7	2.7	2.7
488	488					2.7	2.7
488	975				2.7	2.7	
610	610				2.7		
610	1220			2.7	3.6B		

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 m/s = 2.237 mile per hour.

1. This table is for use with the detail in Figure R608.9(10). Use of this detail is permitted where a cell is not shaded, and prohibited where shaded.
2. Wall design per other provisions of Section R608 is required.
3. For wind design, minimum 100 mm (4-inch)-nominal wall is permitted in cells that do not contain a number.
4. Numbers 6 and 8 indicate minimum permitted nominal wall thickness in millimetres (inches) necessary to develop required strength (capacity) of connection. As a minimum, this nominal thickness shall occur in the portion of the wall indicated by the cross hatching in Figure R608.9(10). For the remainder of the wall, see Note b.
5. Letter “B” indicates that a 16 mm (⁵/₈-inch)-diameter anchor bolt and a minimum nominal 76 x 150 mm (3” x 6”) sill plate are required.



For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 39.37 milim, 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 N = 0.22482 pound-force

FIGURE R608.9(11)
COLD-FORMED STEEL ROOF TO TOP OF CONCRETE WALL, FRAMING PERPENDICULAR

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TABLE R608.9(11)
WOOD-FRAMED ROOF TO TOP OF CONCRETE WALL, FRAMING PERPENDICULAR^{a, b, c, d, e}

ANCHOR BOLT SPACING (millimetres)	TENSION TIE SPACING (millimetres)	BASIC WIND SPEED (m/s) AND WIND EXPOSURE CATEGORY					
		51B	54B	58B	63B	67B	72B
		—	—	49C	53C	57C	61C
		—	—	—	49D	52D	56D
305	305						2.7
305	610						2.7
405	405					2.7	2.7
405	813					2.7	2.7
488	488					2.7	2.7
488	975				2.7	2.7	2.7
610	610				2.7	2.7A	2.7B

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 m/s = 2.237 mile per hour.

1. This table is for use with the detail in Figure R608.9(11). Use of this detail is permitted where a cell is not shaded.
2. Wall design per other provisions of Section R608 is required.
3. For wind design, minimum 100 mm (4-inch)-nominal wall is permitted in unshaded cells that do not contain a number.
4. Number 6 indicates minimum permitted nominal wall thickness in millimetres (inches) necessary to develop required strength (capacity) of connection. As a minimum, this nominal thickness shall occur in the portion of the wall indicated by the cross hatching in Figure R608.9(11). For the remainder of the wall, see Note b.
5. Letter "A" indicates that a minimum nominal 76 mm x 150 mm (3 x 6) sill plate is required. Letter "B" indicates that a 16 mm (⁵/₈-inch)-diameter anchor bolt and a minimum nominal 76 mm x 150 mm (3 x 6) sill plate are required.

BLOCKING AT GABLE END
BRACE. 2 BAYS MINIMUM.

PROVIDE SCREWS FROM
SHEATHING TO BLOCKING 150
mm MAXIMUM ON CENTER

NO. 8 SCREWS, SPACING
TO MATCH DIAPHRAGM
BOUNDARY. SEE
TABLE R804.3

EACH TENSION TIE. PROVIDE
1.09 mm MINIMUM CLIP ANGLE
EACH END WITH NOT LESS
THAN 4 NO. 8 SCREWS EACH
LEG. SEE ALTERNATE
BLOCKING CONNECTION
BELOW

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205 mm. MINIMUM
WITH WEB
MATERIAL
180 mm.
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SECTION

1.09 mm MINIMUM TRACK

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TENSION TIE. SEE TABLE R608.9(12)
FOR SPACING. 1.37 mm x 51 mm. x 150
mm LENGTH MINIMUM GRADE 50 STRAP
UNDER OR N TOP OF CEILING
SHEATHING. EXTEND STRAP UNDER
AND ATTACH TO TRACK WITH MINIMUM
4 NO. 8 SCREWS. ATTACH STRAP TO
FIRST TWO BLOCKS WITH MINIMUM 12

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NO. 8 SCREWS. NO.
8 SCREWS AT 150
mm. ON CENTER
FOR BALANCE OF
STRAP. TENSION
TIE LRFD CAPACITY
7117 N

STRAP
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JOISTS

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ANCHOR BOLT
TYPICAL, 16 mm
WHERE REQUIRED.
SEE TABLE
R608.9(12) FOR SIZE
AND
SPACING. ENSION
TIE VERTICAL LEG

ALTERNATE END
CONNECTION WITH
BENT BLOCKING
WEB AND 4
NO. 8 SCREWS
EACH END

ANCHOR BOLT WITH 12.5 mm x
100 mm x 100 mm STEEL PLATE
WASHER. SEE TABLE
R608.9(12) FOR SPACING

DETAIL B – PLAN VIEW

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 39.37 mil, 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 N = 0.22482 pound-force.

**FIGURE R608.9(12)
COLD-FORMED STEEL ROOF TO TOP OF CONCRETE WALL, FRAMING PARALLEL**

TABLE R608.9(12)
COLD-FORMED STEEL ROOF TO TOP OF CONCRETE WALL, FRAMING PARALLEL ^{a, b, c, d, e}

ANCHOR BOLT SPACING (millimetres)	TENSION TIE SPACING (millimetres)	BASIC WIND SPEED (m/s) AND WIND EXPOSURE CATEGORY					
		51B	54B	58B	63B	67B	72B
		—	—	49C	53C	57C	61C
		—	—	—	49D	52D	56D
305	305						2.7
305	610						2.7
405	405					2.7	2.7
405	813				2.7	2.7	2.7
488	488					2.7	2.7
488	467				2.7	2.7	2.7
610	610				2.7	2.7	2.7B

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 m/s = 2.237 mile per hour.

1. This table is for use with the detail in Figure R608.9(12). Use of this detail is permitted where a cell is not shaded.
2. Wall design per other provisions of Section R608 is required.
3. For wind design, minimum 100 mm (4-inch)-nominal wall is permitted in cells that do not contain a number.
4. Number 6 indicates minimum permitted nominal wall thickness in millimetres (inches) necessary to develop required strength (capacity) of connection. As a minimum, this nominal thickness shall occur in the portion of the wall indicated by the cross hatching in Figure R608.9(12). For the remainder of the wall, see Note b.
5. Letter "B" indicates that a 16 mm (⁵/₈-inch)-diameter anchor bolt is required.

SECTION R609 EXTERIOR WINDOWS AND DOORS

R609.1 General. This section prescribes performance and construction requirements for exterior windows and doors installed in walls. Windows and doors shall be installed and flashed in accordance with the fenestration manufacturer's written instructions. Window and door openings shall be flashed in accordance with Section R703.4. Written installation instructions shall be provided by the fenestration manufacturer for each window or door.

R609.2 Performance. Exterior windows and doors shall be capable of resisting the design wind loads specified in Table R301.2(2) adjusted for height and exposure in accordance with Table R301.2(3) or determined in accordance with ASCE 7 using the allowable stress design load combinations of ASCE 7. For exterior windows and doors tested in accordance with Sections R609.3 and R609.5, required design wind pressures determined from ASCE 7 using the ultimate strength design (USD) are permitted to be multiplied by 0.6. Design wind loads for exterior glazing not part of a labelled assembly shall be permitted to be determined in accordance with Chapter 24 of the *Jamaica Building Code*. Design wind loads for exterior glazing not part of a labelled assembly shall be permitted to be determined in accordance with Chapter 24 of the *Jamaica Building Code*.

R609.3 Testing and labeling. Exterior windows and sliding doors shall be tested by an *approved* independent laboratory, and bear a *label* identifying manufacturer, performance characteristics and *approved* inspection agency to indicate compliance with AAMA/WDMA/CSA 101/I.S.2/A440. Exterior side-hinged doors shall be tested and *labelled* as conforming to AAMA/WDMA/CSA 101/I.S.2/A440 or AMD 100, or comply with Section R609.5.

Exception: Decorative glazed openings.

R609.3.1 Comparative analysis. Structural wind load design pressures for window and door units different than the size tested in accordance with Section R609.3 shall be permitted to be different than the design value of the tested unit where determined in accordance with one of the following comparative analysis methods:

1. Structural wind load design pressures for window and door units smaller than the size tested in accordance with Section R609.3 shall be permitted to be higher than the design value of the tested unit provided such higher pressures are determined by accepted engineering analysis. Components of the smaller unit shall be the same as those of the tested unit. Where such calculated design pressures are used, they shall be validated by an additional test of the window or door unit having the highest allowable design pressure.
2. In accordance with WDMA I.S.11.

R609.4 Garage doors. Garage doors shall be tested in accordance with either ASTM E330 or ANSI/DASMA 108, and shall meet the acceptance criteria of ANSI/DASMA 108.

R609.5 Other exterior window and door assemblies. Exterior windows and door assemblies not included within the scope of Section R609.3 or R609.4 shall be tested in accordance with ASTM E330. Glass in assemblies covered by this section shall comply with Section R308.5.

R609.6 Windborne debris protection. Protection of exterior windows, glass doors and doors with glass in buildings located in windborne debris regions shall be in accordance with Section R301.2.1.2.

R609.6.1 Fenestration testing and labeling. *Fenestration* shall be tested by an *approved* independent laboratory, listed by an *approved* entity, and bear a *label* identifying the manufacturer, performance characteristics and an *approved* inspection agency to indicate compliance with the requirements of the following specification(s):

1. ASTM E1886 and ASTM E1996; or
2. AAMA 506.

R609.6.2 Impact protective systems-testing and labeling. *Impact protective systems* shall be tested for impact resistance by an *approved* independent laboratory for compliance with ASTM E1886 and ASTM E1996. *Impact protective systems* shall be tested for design wind pressure by an *approved* independent laboratory for compliance with ASTM E330. Required design wind pressures shall be determined in accordance with Table R301.2(2), adjusted for height and exposure in accordance with Table R301.2(3) or determined in accordance with ASCE 7. For the purposes of this section, design wind pressures determined in accordance with ASCE 7 are permitted to be multiplied by 0.6.

Impact protective systems bear a *label* identifying the manufacturer, performance characteristics and an *approved* inspection agency. *Impact protective systems* shall have a permanent *label* providing traceability to the manufacturer, product designation and performance characteristics. The permanent *label* shall be acid etched, sand blasted, ceramic fired, laser etched, embossed or of a type that, once applied, cannot be removed without being destroyed.

R609.7 Anchorage methods. The methods cited in this section apply only to anchorage of window and glass door assemblies to the main force-resisting system.

R609.7.1 Anchoring requirements. Window and glass door assemblies shall be anchored in accordance with the published manufacturer's recommendations to achieve the design pressure specified. Substitute anchoring systems used for substrates not specified by the fenestration manufacturer shall provide equal or greater anchoring performance as demonstrated by accepted engineering practice.

R609.7.2 Anchorage details. Products shall be anchored in accordance with the minimum requirements illustrated in Figures R609.7.2(1), R609.7.2(2), R609.7.2(3), R609.7.2(4), R609.7.2(5), R609.7.2(6), R609.7.2(7) and R609.7.2(8).

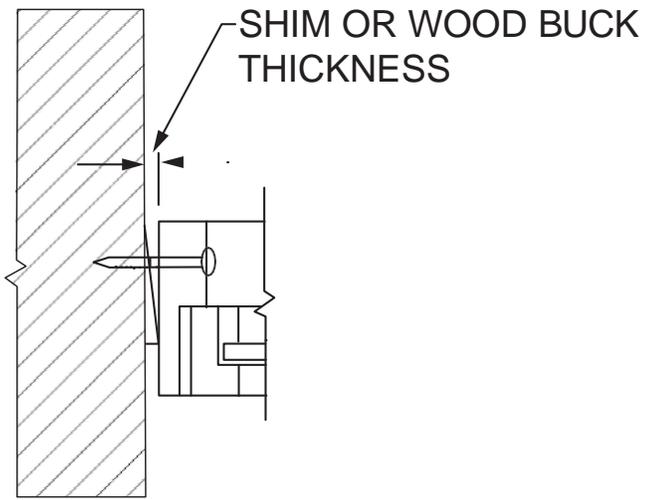


FIGURE R609.7.2(1)
THROUGH THE FRAME

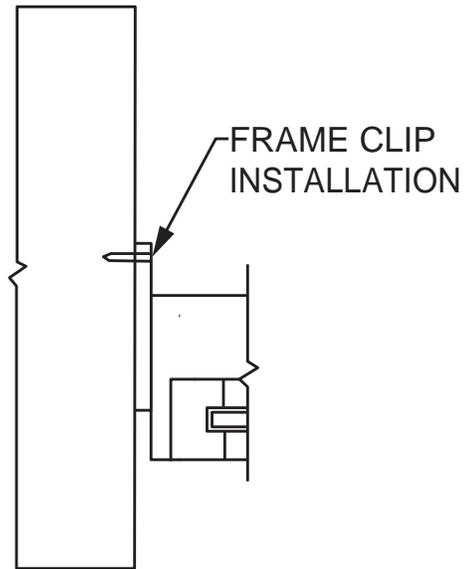


FIGURE R609.7.2(2)
FRAME CLIP

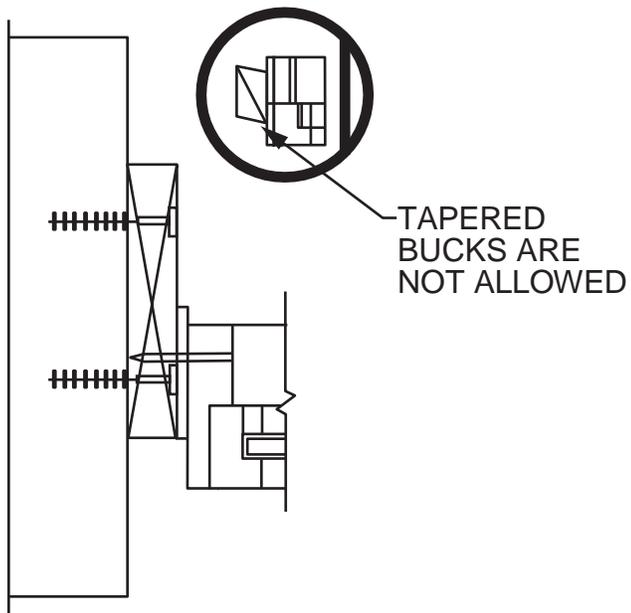


FIGURE R609.7.2(3)
THROUGH THE FRAME

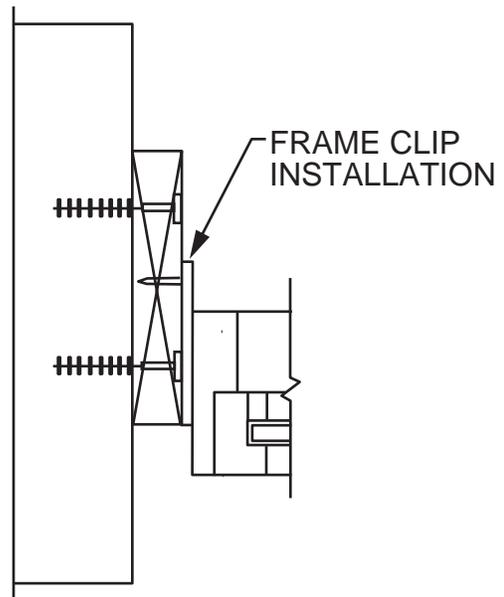


FIGURE R609.7.2(4)
FRAME CLIP

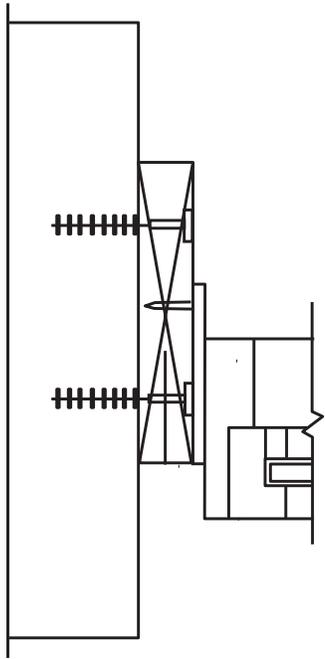


FIGURE R609.7.2(5)
THROUGH THE FLANGE

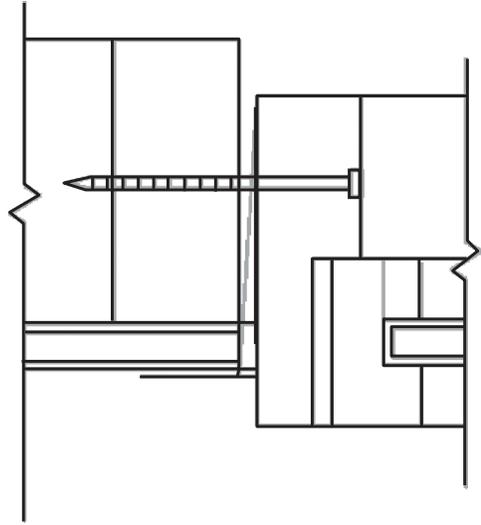


FIGURE R609.7.2(6)
THROUGH THE FLANGE

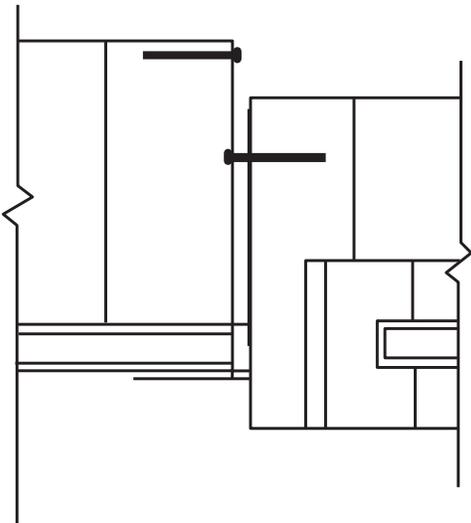


FIGURE R609.7.2(7)
FRAME CLIP

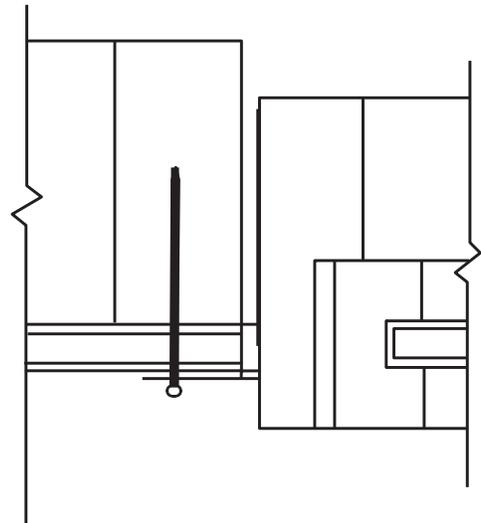


FIGURE R609.7.2(8)
THROUGH THE FLANGE

R609.7.2.1 Masonry, concrete or other structural substrate. Where the wood shim or buck thickness is less than 1½ inches (38 mm), window and glass door assemblies shall be anchored through the jamb, or by jamb clip and anchors shall be embedded directly into the masonry, concrete or other substantial substrate material. Anchors shall adequately transfer load from the window or door frame into the rough opening substrate [see Figures R609.7.2(1) and R609.7.2(2)].

Where the wood shim or buck thickness is 1½ inches (38 mm) or more, the buck is securely fastened to the masonry, concrete or other substantial substrate, and the buck extends beyond the interior face of the window or door frame, window and glass door assemblies shall be anchored through the jamb, or by jamb clip, or through the flange to the secured wood buck. Anchors shall be embedded into the secured wood buck to adequately transfer load from the window or door frame assembly [see Figures R609.7.2(3), R609.7.2(4) and R609.7.2(5)].

R609.7.2.2 Wood or other approved framing material. Where the framing material is wood or other *approved* framing material, window and glass door assemblies shall be anchored through the frame, or by frame clip, or through the flange. Anchors shall be embedded into the frame construction to adequately transfer load [see Figures R609.7.2(6), R609.7.2(7) and R609.7.2(8)].

R609.8 Mullions. Mullions shall be tested by an *approved* testing laboratory in accordance with AAMA 450, or be engineered in accordance with accepted engineering practice. Mullions tested as stand-alone units or qualified by engineering shall use performance criteria cited in Sections R609.8.1, R609.8.2 and R609.8.3. Mullions qualified by an actual test of an entire assembly shall comply with Sections R609.8.1 and R609.8.3.

R609.8.1 Load transfer. Mullions shall be designed to transfer the design pressure loads applied by the window and door assemblies to the rough opening substrate.

R609.8.2 Deflection. Mullions shall be capable of resisting the design pressure loads applied by the window and door assemblies to be supported without deflecting more than $L/175$, where L is the span of the mullion in inches.

R609.8.3 Structural safety factor. Mullions shall be capable of resisting a load of 1.5 times the design pressure loads applied by the window and door assemblies to be supported without exceeding the appropriate material stress levels. If tested by an *approved* laboratory, the 1.5 times the design pressure load shall be sustained for 10 seconds, and the permanent deformation shall not exceed 0.4 percent of the mullion span after the 1.5 times design pressure load is removed.

SECTION R610 STRUCTURAL INSULATED PANEL WALL CONSTRUCTION

R610.1 General. Structural insulated panel (SIP) walls shall be designed in accordance with the provisions of this section. Where the provisions of this section are used to design structural insulated panel walls, project drawings, typical details and specifications are not required to bear the seal of the architect or engineer responsible for design.

R610.2 Applicability limits. The provisions of this section shall control the construction of exterior structural insulated panel walls and interior load-bearing structural insulated panel walls for buildings not greater than 60 feet (18 288 mm) in length perpendicular to the joist or truss span, not greater than 40 feet (12 192 mm) in width parallel to the joist or truss span and not greater than two stories in height with each wall not greater than 10 feet (3048 mm) high. Exterior walls installed in accordance with the provisions of this section shall be considered as load-bearing walls. Structural insulated panel walls constructed in accordance with the provisions of this section shall be limited to sites where the ultimate design wind speed (V_{ult}) is not greater than 155 miles per hour (69 m/s) in Exposure B or 140 miles per hour (63 m/s) in Exposure C, the ground snow load is not greater than 70 pounds per square foot (3.35 kPa), and the seismic design category is A, B or C.

R610.3 Materials. SIPs shall comply with the requirements of ANSI/APA PRS 610.1.

R610.3.1 Lumber. The minimum lumber framing material used for SIPs prescribed in this document is NLGA graded No. 2 Spruce-pine-fir. Substitution of other wood species/grades that meet or exceed the mechanical properties and specific gravity of No. 2 Spruce-pine-fir shall be permitted.

R610.3.2 SIP screws. Screws used for the erection of SIPs as specified in Section R610.5 shall be fabricated from steel, shall be provided by the SIP manufacturer and shall be sized to penetrate the wood member to which the assembly is being attached by not less than 1 inch (25 mm). The screws shall be corrosion resistant and have a minimum shank diameter of 0.188 inch (4.7 mm) and a minimum head diameter of 0.620 inch (15.5 mm).

R610.3.3 Nails. Nails specified in Section R610 shall be common or galvanized box unless otherwise stated.

R610.4 SIP wall panels. SIPs shall comply with Figure R610.4 and shall have minimum panel thickness in accordance with Tables R610.5(1) and R610.5(2) for above-grade walls. SIPs shall be identified by grade mark or certificate of inspection issued by an *approved* agency in accordance with ANSI/APA PRS 610.1.

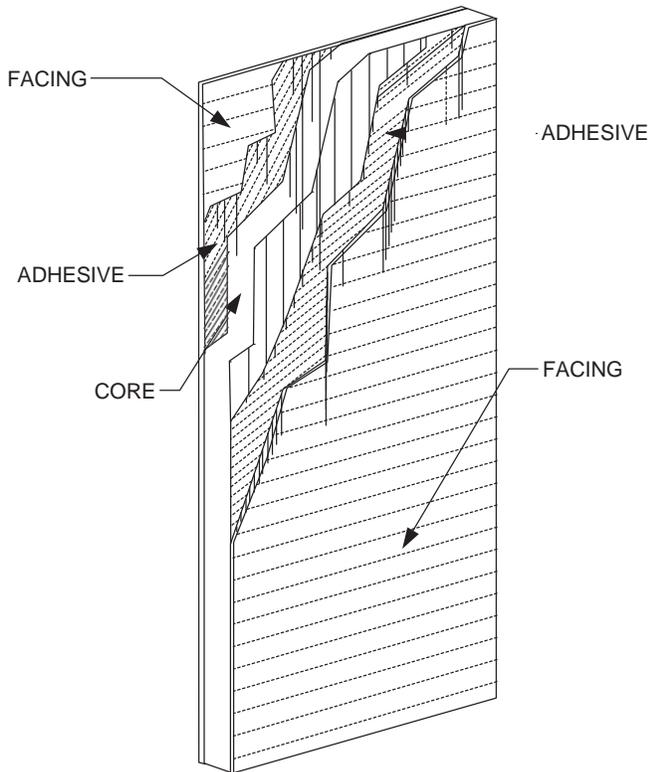


FIGURE R610.4
SIP WALL PANEL

R610.5 Wall construction. Exterior walls of SIP construction shall be designed and constructed in accordance with the provisions of this section and Tables R610.5(1) and R610.5(2) and Figures R610.5(1) through R610.5(5). SIP walls shall be fastened to other wood building components in accordance with Tables R602.3(1) through R602.3(4).

Framing shall be attached in accordance with Table R602.3(1) unless otherwise provided for in Section R610.

R610.5.1 Top plate connection. SIP walls shall be capped with a double top plate installed to provide overlapping at corner, intersections and splines in accordance with Figure R610.5.1. The double top plates shall be made up of a single 2-by (nominal 2-inch) top plate having a width equal to the width of the panel core, and shall be recessed into the SIP below. Over this top plate a cap plate shall be placed. The cap plate width shall match the SIP thickness and overlap the facers on both sides of the panel. End joints in top plates shall be offset not less than 24 inches (610 mm).

R610.5.2 Bottom (sole) plate connection. SIP walls shall have full bearing on a sole plate having a width equal to the nominal width of the foam core. Where SIP walls are supported directly on continuous foundations, the wall wood sill plate shall be anchored to the foundation in accordance with Figure R610.5.2 and Section R403.1.

R610.5.3 Panel-to-panel connection. SIPs shall be connected at vertical in-plane joints in accordance with Figure R610.8 or by other *approved* methods.

R610.5.4 Corner framing. Corner framing of SIP walls shall be constructed in accordance with Figure R610.5.4.

R610.5.5 Wall bracing. SIP walls shall be braced in accordance with Section R602.10. SIP walls shall be considered continuous wood structural panel sheathing (bracing Method CS-WSP) for purposes of computing required bracing. SIP walls shall meet the requirements of Section R602.10.4.2 except that SIP corners shall be fabricated as shown in Figure R610.8. Where SIP walls are used for wall bracing, the SIP bottom plate shall be attached to wood framing below in accordance with Table R602.3(1).

R610.5.6 Thermal barrier. SIP walls shall be separated from the interior of a building by an *approved* thermal barrier in accordance with Section R316.4.

R610.6 Interior load-bearing walls. Interior load-bearing walls shall be constructed as specified for exterior walls.

R610.7 Drilling and notching. The maximum vertical chase penetration in SIPs shall have a maximum side dimension of 2 inches (51 mm) centered in the panel. Vertical chases shall have a minimum spacing of 24 inches (610 mm) on center. Not more than two horizontal chases shall be permitted in each wall panel, one at 14 inches (360 mm) plus or minus 2 inches (51 mm) from the bottom of the panel and one at 48 inches (1220 mm) plus or minus 2 inches (51 mm) from the bottom edge of the SIP's panel. Additional penetrations are permitted where justified by analysis.

R610.8 Headers. SIP headers shall be designed and constructed in accordance with Table R610.8 and Figure R610.5.1. SIP headers shall be continuous sections without splines. Headers shall be not less than 1 1/8 inches (302 mm) deep. Headers longer than 4 feet (1219 mm) shall be constructed in accordance with Section R602.7. The strength axis of the factors on the header shall be oriented horizontally.

R610.8.1 Wood structural panel box headers. Wood structural panel box headers shall be allowed where SIP headers are not applicable. Wood structural panel box headers shall be constructed in accordance with Figure R602.7.3 and Table R602.7.3.

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TABLE R610.5(1)
MINIMUM THICKNESS FOR SIP WALL SUPPORTING SIP OR LIGHT-FRAME ROOF ONLY (inches)^a

ULTIMATE DESIGN WIND SPEED <i>V_{ult}</i> (mph)		SNOW LOAD (psf)	BUILDING WIDTH (ft)																
			24			28			32			36			40				
			Wall Height (feet)			Wall Height (feet)			Wall Height (feet)			Wall Height (feet)			Wall Height (feet)				
Exp. B	Exp. C		8	9	10	8	9	10	8	9	10	8	9	10	8	9	10		
110	—	20	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	
		30	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5
		50	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5
		70	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	6.5	4.5	4.5	6.5	
115	—	20	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	
		30	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	
		50	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	6.5	
		70	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	6.5	4.5	4.5	DR	4.5	4.5	DR	
130	110	20	4.5	4.5	6.5	4.5	4.5	6.5	4.5	4.5	6.5	4.5	4.5	DR	4.5	4.5	DR		
		30	4.5	4.5	6.5	4.5	4.5	6.5	4.5	4.5	DR	4.5	4.5	DR	4.5	4.5	DR		
		50	4.5	4.5	DR	4.5	4.5	DR	4.5	4.5	DR	4.5	6.5	DR	4.5	DR	DR		
		70	4.5	4.5	DR	4.5	DR	DR	4.5	DR	DR	4.5	DR	DR	DR	DR	DR		
140	120	20	4.5	6.5	DR	4.5	6.5	DR	4.5	DR	DR	4.5	DR	DR	4.5	DR	DR		
		30	4.5	6.5	DR	4.5	DR	DR											
		50	4.5	DR	DR	4.5	DR	DR	DR	DR	DR	DR	DR	DR	DR	DR	DR		
		70	4.5	DR	DR	DR	DR	DR											

For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm, 1 foot = 304.8 mm, 1 pound per square foot = 0.0479 kPa, 1 mile per hour = 0.447 m/s.

DR = Design Required.

1. Design assumptions:

Maximum deflection criteria: $L/240$.

Maximum roof dead load: 10 psf.

Maximum roof live load: 70 psf.

Maximum ceiling dead load: 5 psf.

Maximum ceiling live load: 20 psf.

Wind loads based on Table R301.2

(2).

Strength axis of facing material applied vertically.

TABLE R610.5(2)
MINIMUM THICKNESS FOR SIP WALL SUPPORTING SIP OR LIGHT-FRAME ONE STORY AND ROOF ONLY (millimetres)^a

ULTIMATE DESIGN WIND SPEED <i>V_{ult}</i> (mph)		SNOW LOAD (psf)	BUILDING WIDTH (ft)															
			24			28			32			36			40			
			Wall Height (feet)			Wall Height (feet)			Wall Height (feet)			Wall Height (feet)			Wall Height (feet)			
Exp. B	Exp. C		8	9	10	8	9	10	8	9	10	8	9	10	8	9	10	
110	—	20	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	6.5	4.5	4.5	DR	4.5	4.5	DR
		30	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	6.5	4.5	4.5	DR	4.5	6.5	DR
		50	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	6.5	4.5	4.5	DR	4.5	DR	DR	DR	DR	DR	DR
		70	4.5	4.5	6.5	4.5	4.5	DR	4.5	DR	DR	DR	DR	DR	DR	DR	DR	DR
115	—	20	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	6.5	4.5	4.5	DR	4.5	4.5	DR	4.5	DR	DR	
		30	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	6.5	4.5	4.5	DR	4.5	6.5	DR	4.5	DR	DR	
		50	4.5	4.5	6.5	4.5	4.5	DR	4.5	DR	DR	4.5	DR	DR	DR	DR	DR	
		70	4.5	4.5	DR	4.5	DR	DR	DR	DR	DR	DR	DR	DR	DR	DR	DR	
120	—	20	4.5	4.5	6.5	4.5	4.5	DR	4.5	4.5	DR	4.5	DR	DR	4.5	DR	DR	
		30	4.5	4.5	DR	4.5	4.5	DR	4.5	6.5	DR	4.5	DR	DR	DR	DR	DR	
		50	4.5	4.5	DR	4.5	DR	DR	4.5	DR	DR	DR	DR	DR	DR	DR	DR	
		70	4.5	DR	DR	4.5	DR	DR	DR	DR	DR	DR	DR	DR	DR	DR	DR	
130	110	20	4.5	6.5	DR	4.5	DR	DR	4.5	DR	DR	DR	DR	DR	DR	DR	DR	
		30	4.5	DR	DR	4.5	DR	DR	DR	DR	DR	DR	DR	DR	DR	DR	DR	
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		70	DR	DR	DR	DR	DR	DR	DR	DR	DR	DR	DR	DR	DR	DR	DR	

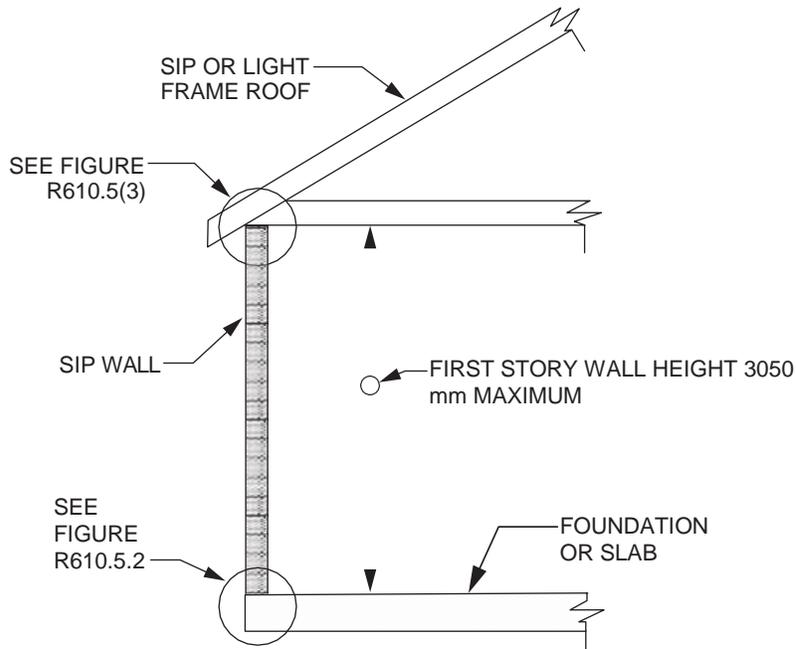
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DR = Design Required.

1. Design assumptions:

- Maximum deflection criteria: *L*/240.
- Maximum roof dead load: 10 psf.
- Maximum roof live load: 70 psf.
- Maximum ceiling dead load: 5 psf.
- Maximum ceiling live load: 20 psf.
- Maximum second-floor dead load: 10 psf.
- Maximum second-floor live load: 30 psf.
- Maximum second-floor dead load from walls: 10 psf.
- Maximum first-floor dead load: 10 psf.
- Maximum first-floor live load: 40 psf.
- Wind loads based on Table R301.2 (2).
- Strength axis of facing material applied vertically.

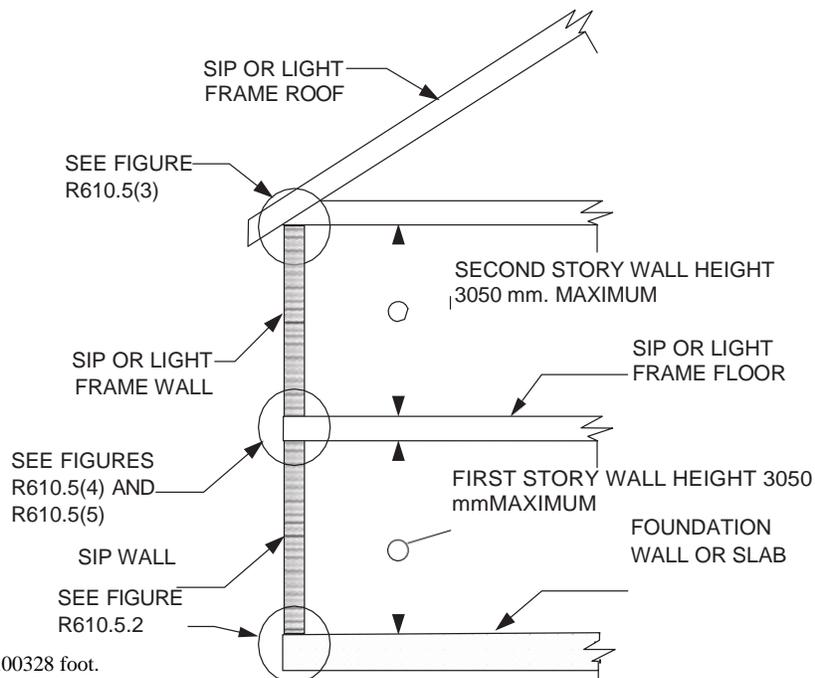
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For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.00328 foot.

Note: Figure illustrates SIP-specific attachment requirements. Other connections shall be made in accordance with Tables R602.3(1) and (2), as appropriate.

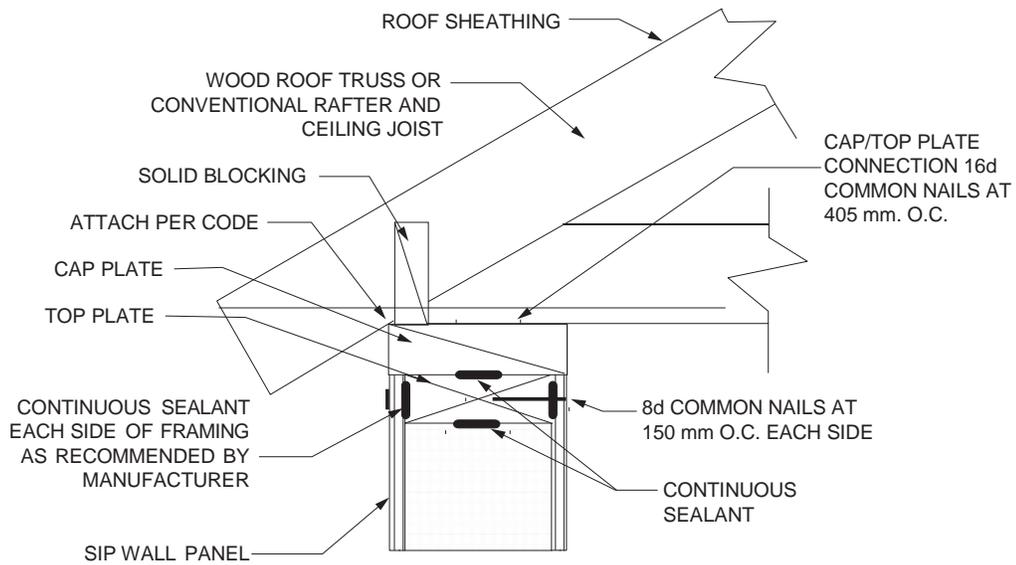
**FIGURE R610.5(1)
MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE HEIGHT OF SIP WALLS**



For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.00328 foot.

Note: Figure illustrates SIP-specific attachment requirements. Other connections shall be made in accordance with Tables R602.3(1) and (2), as appropriate.

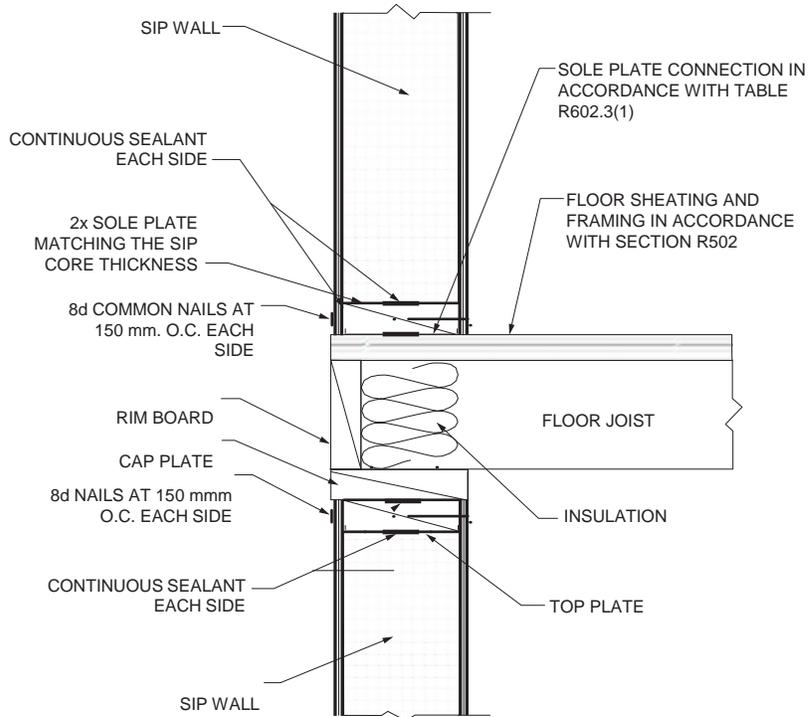
**FIGURE R610.5(2)
MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE HEIGHT OF SIP WALLS**



For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0,03937 inch.

Note: Figure illustrates SIP-specific attachment requirements. Other connections shall be made in accordance with Tables R602.3(1) and (2), as appropriate.

FIGURE R610.5(3)
TRUSSED ROOF TO TOP PLATE CONNECTION

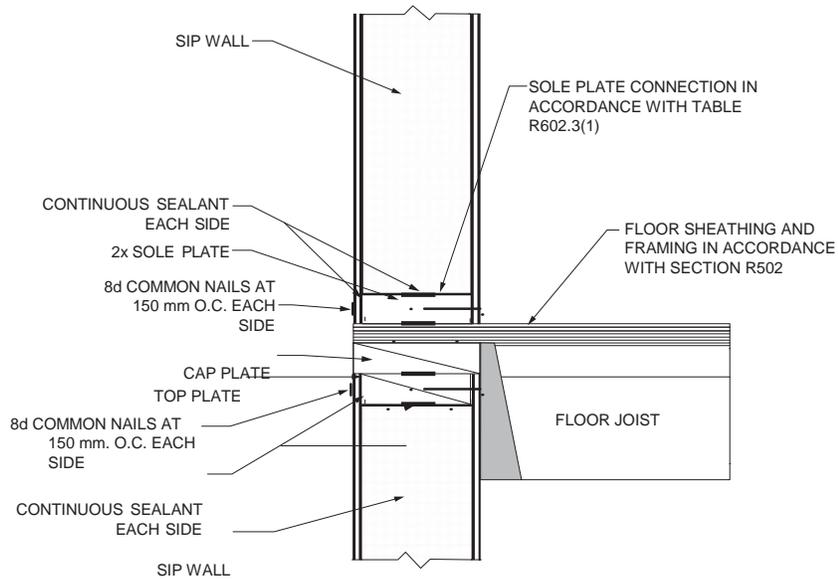


For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch

Note: Figure illustrates SIP-specific attachment requirements. Other connections shall be made in accordance with Tables R602.3(1) and (2), as appropriate.

FIGURE R610.5(4)
SIP WALL-TO-WALL PLATFORM FRAME CONNECTION

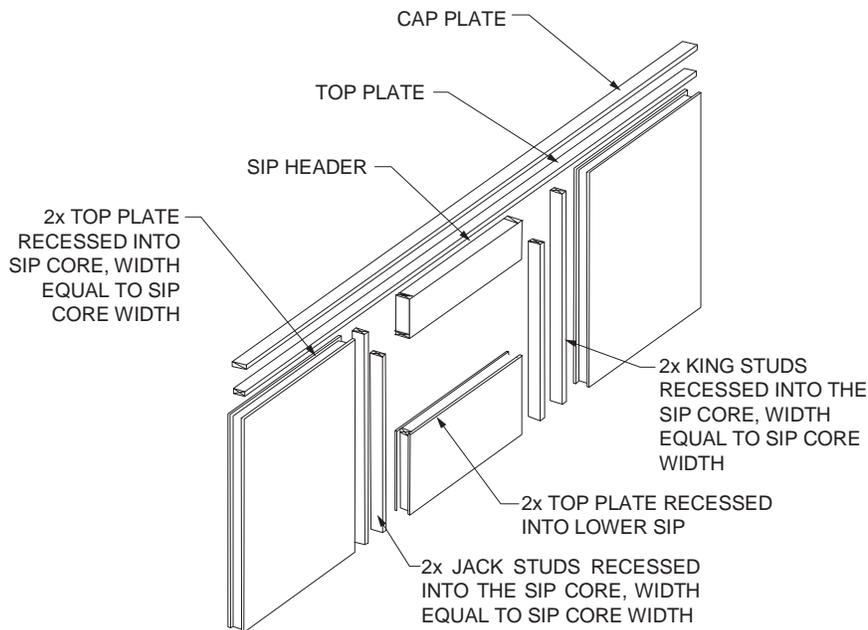
WALL CONSTRUCTION



For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch.

Note: Figure illustrates SIP-specific attachment requirements. Other connections shall be made in accordance with Tables R602.3(1) and (2), as appropriate.

FIGURE R610.5(5)
SIP WALL-TO-WALL HANGING FLOOR FRAME CONNECTION
(I-Joist floor shown for illustration only)

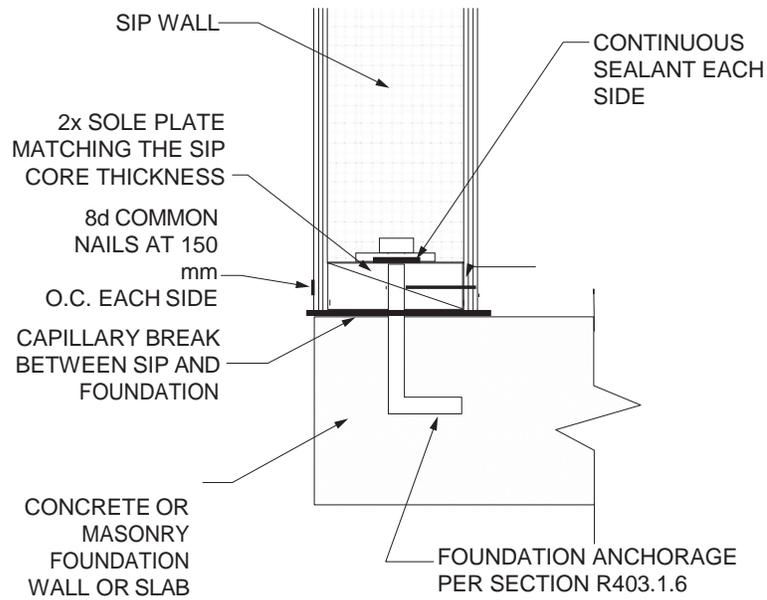


For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch.

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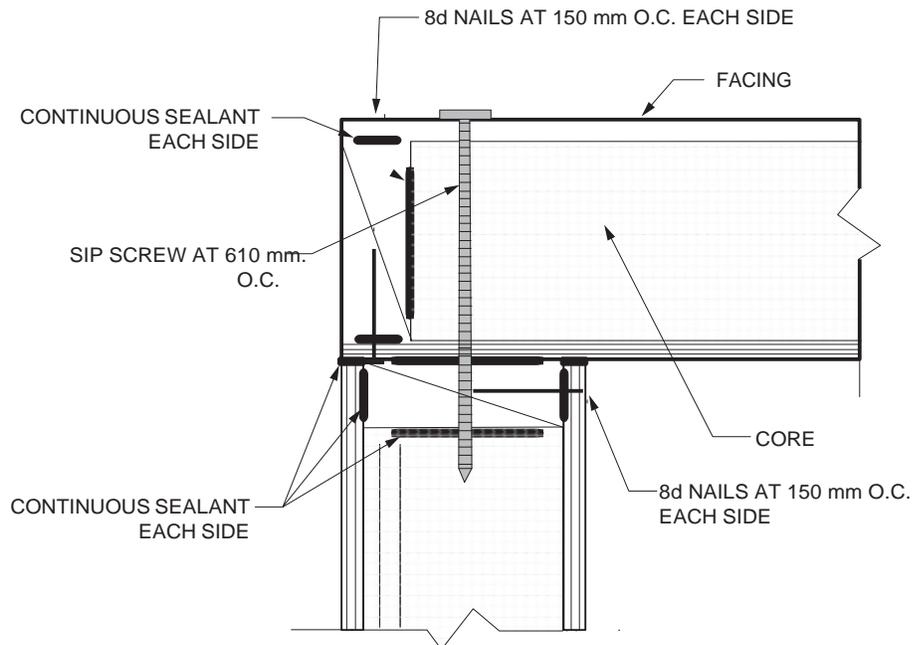
1. Top plates shall be continuous over header.
2. Lower 2x top plate shall have a width equal to the SIP core width and shall be recessed into the top edge of the panel. Cap plate shall be placed over the recessed top plate and shall have a width equal to the SIPs width.
3. SIP facing surfaces shall be nailed to framing and cripples with 8d common or galvanized box nails spaced 150 mm (6 inches) on center.

FIGURE R610.5.1
SIP WALL FRAMING CONFIGURATION



For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot.

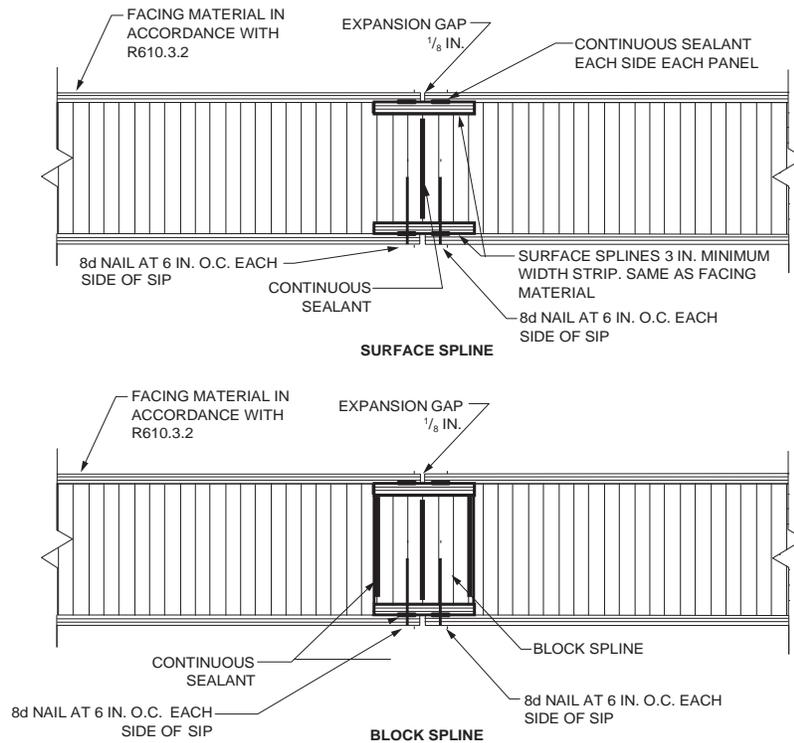
FIGURE R610.5.2
SIP WALL TO CONCRETE SLAB FOR FOUNDATION WALL ATTACHMENT



For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm.

FIGURE R610.5.4
SIP CORNER FRAMING DETAIL

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For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm.

FIGURE R610.8
TYPICAL SIP WALL PANEL-TO-PANEL CONNECTION DETAILS

TABLE R610.8
MAXIMUM SPANS FOR 1 1/8-INCH OR DEEPER SIP HEADERS (feet)^{a, c, d}

LOAD CONDITION	SNOW LOAD (psf)	BUILDING ^b width (feet)				
		24	28	32	36	40
Supporting roof only	20	4	4	4	4	2
	30	4	4	4	2	2
	50	2	2	2	2	2
	70	2	2	2	DR	DR
Supporting roof and one-story	20	2	2	DR	DR	DR
	30	2	2	DR	DR	DR
	50	2	DR	DR	DR	DR
	70	DR	DR	DR	DR	DR

For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm, 1 foot = 304.8 mm, 1 pound per square foot = 0.0479 kPa.

DR = Design Required.

- Design assumptions:
Maximum deflection criterion: $L/240$.
Maximum roof dead load: 10 psf.
Maximum ceiling load: 5 psf.
Maximum ceiling live load: 20 psf.
Maximum second-floor live load: 30 psf.
Maximum second-floor dead load: 10 psf.
Maximum second-floor dead load from walls: 10 psf.
Maximum first floor dead load: 10 psf.
Wind loads based on Table R301.2(2).
Strength axis of facing material applied horizontally.
- Building width is in the direction of horizontal framing members supported by the header.
- The table provides for roof slopes between 3:12 and 12:12.
- The maximum roof overhang is 24 inches (610 mm).

CHAPTER 7

WALL COVERING

User note:

About this chapter: Chapter 7 establishes the various types of materials, materials standards and methods of application permitted as interior and exterior wall coverings. Interior coverings include interior plaster, gypsum board, ceramic tile, wood veneer paneling, hardboard paneling, wood shakes and wood shingles. Exterior wall coverings regulated by this section include aluminum, stone and masonry veneer, wood, hardboard, particleboard, wood structural panel siding, wood shakes and shingles, exterior plaster, steel, vinyl, fiber cement and exterior insulation finish systems. This chapter also contains requirements for the use of vapour retarders for moisture control in walls; wind resistance and water-resistive barriers for exterior wall coverings; and the water-resistive barrier required beneath exterior materials.

SECTION R701 GENERAL

R701.1 Application. The provisions of this chapter shall control the design and construction of the interior and exterior wall covering for buildings.

R701.2 Installation. Products sensitive to adverse weather shall not be installed until adequate weather protection for the installation is provided. Exterior sheathing shall be dry before applying exterior cover.

SECTION R702 INTERIOR COVERING

R702.1 General. Interior coverings or wall finishes shall be installed in accordance with this chapter and Table R702.1(1), Table R702.1(2), Table R702.1(3) and Table R702.3.5. Interior masonry veneer shall comply with the requirements of

Section R703.7.1 for support and Section R703.7.4 for anchorage, except an airspace is not required. Interior finishes and materials shall conform to the flame spread and smoke-development requirements of Section R302.9.

R702.2 Interior plaster.

R702.2.1 Gypsum plaster. Gypsum plaster materials shall conform to ASTM C5, C22, C28, C35, C59, C61, C587, C631, C847, C933, C1032 and C1047, and shall be installed or applied in compliance with ASTM C841, C842 and C843. Gypsum lath or gypsum base for veneer plaster shall conform to ASTM C1396 and shall be installed in compliance with ASTM C844. Plaster shall be not less than three coats where applied over metal lath and not less than two coats where applied over other bases permitted by this section, except that veneer plaster shall be applied in one coat not to exceed 4.7 mm (³/₁₆ inch) thickness, provided the total thickness is in accordance with Table R702.1(1).

**TABLE R702.1(1)
THICKNESS OF PLASTER**

PLASTER BASE	FINISHED THICKNESS OF PLASTER FROM FACE OF LATH, MASONRY, CONCRETE (mm)	
	Gypsum Plaster	Cement Plaster
Expanded metal lath	16 mm, minimum ^a	16 mm, minimum ^a
Wire lath	16 mm, minimum ^a	19 mm, minimum (interior) ^b 22 mm, minimum (exterior) ^b
Gypsum lath ^g	12.5 mm, minimum	19 mm, minimum (interior) ^b
Masonry walls ^c	12.5 mm, minimum	12.5 mm, minimum
Monolithic concrete walls ^{c, d}	16 mm, maximum	22 mm, maximum
Monolithic concrete ceilings ^{c, d}	9.5 mm, maximum ^e	12.5 mm, maximum
Gypsum veneer base ^{f, g}	1.6 mm, minimum	19 mm, minimum (interior) ^b
Gypsum sheathing ^g	—	19 mm, minimum (interior) ^b 22 mm, minimum (exterior) ^b

For Inch Pound Units : 1 mm= 0.03937 inch .

- a. Where measured from back plane of expanded metal lath, exclusive of ribs, or self-furring lath, plaster thickness shall be 19 mm (³/₄ inch) minimum.
- b. Where measured from face of support or backing.
- c. Because masonry and concrete surfaces vary in plane, thickness of plaster need not be uniform.
- d. Where applied over a liquid bonding agent, finish coat shall be permitted to be applied directly to concrete surface.
- e. Approved acoustical plaster shall be permitted to be applied directly to concrete or over base coat plaster, beyond the maximum plaster thickness shown.
- f. Attachment shall be in accordance with Table R702.3.5.
- g. Where gypsum board is used as a base for cement plaster, a water-resistive barrier complying with Section R703.2 shall be provided.

TABLE R702.1(2)
GYPSUM PLASTER PROPORTIONS^a

NUMBER	COAT	PLASTER BASE OR LATH	MAXIMUM VOLUME AGGREGATE PER 45.4 kg NEAT PLASTER ^b (cubic meter)	
			Damp Loose Sand ^a	Perlite or Vermiculite ^c
Two-coat work	Base coat	Gypsum lath	0.071	0.057
	Base coat	Masonry	0.085	0.085
Three-coat work	First coat	Lath	0.057 ^d	0.057
	Second coat	Lath	0.085 ^d	0.057 ^e
	First and second coats	Masonry	0.085	0.085

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm= 0.03937 inch, 1 m³= 35.3 cubic foot, 1 kg= 2.2 pound.

- Wood-fibered gypsum plaster shall be mixed in the proportions of 45.4 kg (100 pounds) of gypsum to not more than 0.028 m³ (1 cubic foot) of sand where applied on masonry or concrete.
- Where determining the amount of aggregate in set plaster, a tolerance of 10 percent shall be allowed.
- Combinations of sand and lightweight aggregate shall be permitted to be used, provided the volume and weight relationship of the combined aggregate to gypsum plaster is maintained.
- If used for both first and second coats, the volume of aggregate shall be permitted to be 0.071 m³ (2.5 cubic feet).
- Where plaster is 25.4 mm (1 inch) or more in total thickness, the proportions for the second coat may be increased to 0.085 m³ (3 cubic feet).

TABLE R702.1(3)
CEMENT PLASTER PROPORTIONS, PARTS BY VOLUME

COAT	CEMENT PLASTER TYPE	CEMENTITIOUS MATERIALS				VOLUME OF AGGREGATE PER SUM OF SEPARATE VOLUMES OF CEMENTITIOUS MATERIALS ^b
		Portland Cement Type I, II or III; Blended Hydraulic Cement Type IP, I (S < 70), IL, or IT (S < 70); or Hydraulic Cement Type GU, HE, MS, HS or MH	Plastic Cement	Masonry Cement Type M, S or N	Lime	
First	Portland or blended	25.4 mm	—	—	19 mm - 38 mm	63.5 mm - 102 mm
	Masonry	—	—	25.4 mm	—	63.5 mm - 102 mm
	Plastic	—	25.4 mm	—	—	63.5 mm - 102 mm
Second	Portland or blended	25.4 mm	—	—	19 mm - 38 mm	76 mm - 127 mm
	Masonry	—	—	25.4 mm	—	76 mm - 127 mm
	Plastic	—	25.4 mm	—	—	76 mm - 127 mm
Finish	Portland or blended	25.4 mm	—	—	38 mm - 51 mm	38 mm - 76 mm
	Masonry	—	—	25.4 mm	—	38 mm - 76 mm
	Plastic	—	25.4 mm	—	—	38 mm - 76 mm

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm= 0.03937 inch, 1 kg= 2.2 pound.

- Lime by volume of 0 to 19 mm (³/₄) shall be used where the plaster will be placed over low-absorption surfaces such as dense clay tile or brick.
- The same or greater sand proportion shall be used in the second coat than used in the first coat.

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R702.2.2 Cement plaster. Cement plaster materials shall conform to ASTM C91 (Type M, S or N), C150 (Types I, II and III), C595 [Types IP, I (PM), IS and I (SM), C847, C897, C933, C1032, C1047 and C1328, and shall be installed or applied in compliance with ASTM C926 and C1063. Gypsum lath shall conform to ASTM C1396. Plaster shall be not less than three coats where applied over metal lath and not less than two coats where applied over other bases permitted by this section.

R702.2.2.1 Application. Each coat shall be kept in a moist condition for not less than 24 hours prior to application of the next coat.

Exception: Applications installed in accordance with ASTM C926.

R702.2.2.2 Curing. The finish coat for two-coat cement plaster shall not be applied sooner than 48 hours after application of the first coat. For three-coat cement plaster, the second coat shall not be applied sooner than 24 hours after application of the first coat. The finish coat for three-coat cement plaster shall not be applied sooner than 48 hours after application of the second coat.

R702.2.3 Support. Support spacing for gypsum or metal lath on walls or ceilings shall not exceed 405 mm (16 inches) for 9.55 mm (³/₈-inch)-thick or 610 mm (24 inches) for 12.5 mm (¹/₂-inch)-thick plain gypsum lath. Gypsum lath shall be installed at right angles to support framing with end joints in adjacent courses staggered by not less than one framing space.

R702.3 Gypsum board and gypsum panel products.

R702.3.1 Materials. Gypsum board and gypsum panel product materials and accessories shall conform to ASTM C22, C475, C514, C1002, C1047, C1177, C1178, C1278, C1396, C1658 or C1766 and shall be installed in accordance with the provisions of this section. Adhesives for the installation of gypsum board and gypsum panel products shall conform to ASTM C557.

R702.3.1.1 Adhesives. Expandable foam adhesives for the installation of gypsum board and gypsum panel products shall conform to ASTM C6464. Other adhesives for the installation of gypsum board and gypsum panel products shall conform to ASTM C557. Supports and fasteners used to attach gypsum board and gypsum panel products shall comply with Table R702.3.5 or other approved method.

R702.3.2 Wood framing. Wood framing supporting gypsum board and gypsum panel products shall be not less than 51 mm (2 inches) nominal thickness in the least dimension except that wood furring strips not less than 25.4 mm by 51 mm (1-inch by 2-inch) nominal dimension shall be permitted to be used over solid backing or framing spaced not more than 610 mm (24 inches) on center.

R702.3.3 Cold-formed steel framing. Cold-formed steel framing supporting gypsum board and gypsum panel products shall be not less than 32 mm (1¹/₄ inches) wide in the least dimension. Nonload-bearing cold-formed steel framing shall comply with AISI S220. Load-bearing cold-formed steel framing shall comply with AISI S240.

R702.3.4 Insulating concrete form walls. Foam plastics for insulating concrete form walls constructed in accordance with Sections R404.1.2 and R608 on the interior of *habitable spaces* shall be protected in accordance with Section R316.4. Use of adhesives in conjunction with mechanical fasteners is permitted. Adhesives used for interior and exterior finishes shall be compatible with the insulating form materials.

R702.3.5 Application. Supports and fasteners used to attach gypsum board and gypsum panel products shall comply with Table R702.3.5. Gypsum sheathing shall be attached to exterior walls in accordance with Table R602.3(1). Gypsum board and gypsum panel products shall be applied at right angles or parallel to framing members. All edges and ends of gypsum board and gypsum panel products shall occur on the framing members, except those edges and ends that are perpendicular to the framing members. Interior gypsum board shall not be installed where it is directly exposed to the weather or to water.

R702.3.5.1 Screw fastening. Screws for attaching gypsum board and gypsum panel products to wood framing shall be Type W or Type S in accordance with ASTM C1002 and shall penetrate the wood not less than 16 mm (⁵/₈ inch). Gypsum board and gypsum panel products shall be attached to cold-formed steel framing with mini-

um No. 6 screws. Screws for attaching gypsum board and gypsum panel products to cold-formed steel framing less than 0.033 inch (1 mm) thick shall be Type S in accordance with ASTM C1002 or bugle head style in accordance with ASTM C1513 and shall penetrate the steel not less than ³/₈ inch (9.5 mm). Screws for attaching gypsum board and gypsum panel products to cold-formed steel framing 1 mm to 3 mm (0.033 inch to 0.112 inch) thick shall be in accordance with ASTM C954 or bugle head

style in accordance with ASTM C1513. Screws for attaching gypsum board and gypsum panel products to structural insulated panels shall penetrate the wood structural panel facing not less than 11 mm (⁷/₁₆ inch).

R702.3.6 Horizontal gypsum board diaphragm ceilings.

Gypsum board and gypsum panel products shall be permitted on wood joists to create a horizontal *diaphragm* in accordance with Table R702.3.6. Gypsum board and gypsum panel products shall be installed perpendicular to ceiling framing members. End joints of adjacent courses of board and panels shall not occur on the same joist. The maximum allowable *diaphragm* proportions shall be 1¹/₂:1 between shear resisting elements. Rotation or cantilever conditions shall not be permitted. Gypsum board or gypsum panel products shall not be used in *diaphragm* ceilings to resist lateral forces imposed by masonry or concrete construction. Perimeter edges shall be blocked using wood members not less than 51 mm by 150 mm (2-inch by 6-inch) nominal dimension. Blocking material shall be installed flat over the top plate of the wall to provide a nailing surface not less than 51 mm (2 inches) in width for the attachment of the gypsum board or gypsum panel product.

R702.3.7 Water-resistant gypsum backing board. Gypsum board used as the base or backer for adhesive application of ceramic tile or other required nonabsorbent finish material shall conform to ASTM C1178, C1278 or C1396. Use of water-resistant gypsum backing board shall be permitted on ceilings. Water-resistant gypsum board shall not be installed over a Class I or II vapor retarder in a shower or tub compartment. Cut or exposed edges, including those at wall intersections, shall be sealed as recommended by the manufacturer.

R702.3.7.1 Limitations. Water-resistant gypsum backing board shall not be used where there will be direct exposure to water, or in areas subject to continuous high humidity.

R702.4 Ceramic tile.

R702.4.1 General. Ceramic tile surfaces shall be installed in accordance with ANSI A108.1, A108.4, A108.5, A108.6, A108.11, A118.1, A118.3, A136.1 and A137.1.

R702.4.2 Backer boards. Materials used as backers for wall tile in tub and shower areas and wall panels in shower areas shall be of materials listed in Table R702.4.2, and installed in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations.

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**TABLE R702.3.5
MINIMUM THICKNESS AND APPLICATION OF GYPSUM BOARD AND GYPSUM PANEL PRODUCTS**

THICKNESS OF GYPSUM BOARD OR GYPSUM PANEL PRODUCTS (mm)	APPLICATION	ORIENTATION OF GYPSUM BOARD OR GYPSUM PANEL PRODUCTS TO FRAMING	MAXIMUM SPACING OF FRAMING MEMBERS (mm o.c.)	MAXIMUM SPACING OF FASTENERS (mm)		SIZE OF NAILS FOR APPLICATION TO WOOD FRAMING ^c
				Nails ^a	Screws ^b	
Application without adhesive						
9.5	Ceiling ^d	Perpendicular	405	178	305	13 gage, 32 mm long, 7.5 mm head; 2.5 mm diameter, 32 mm long, annular-ringed; or 4d cooler nail, 2.1 mm diameter, 35 mm long, 5.55 mm head.
	Wall	Either direction	405	205	405	
12.5	Ceiling	Either direction	405	178	305	13 gage, 35 mm long, 17.54 mm head; 2.5 mm diameter, 32 mm long, annular-ringed; 5d cooler nail, 2.2 mm diameter, 29 mm long, 6 mm head; or gypsum board nail, 2.2 mm diameter, 29 mm long, 7.1 mm head.
	Ceiling ^d	Perpendicular	610	178	305	
	Wall	Either direction	610	205	305	
	Wall	Either direction	405	205	405	
16	Ceiling	Either direction	405	178	305	13 gage, 41.2 mm long, 7.5 mm head; 2.5 mm diameter, 35 mm long, annular-ringed; 6d cooler nail, 2.3 mm diameter, 48 mm long, 6.35 mm head; or gypsum board nail, 2.3 mm diameter, 48 mm long, 7.5 mm head.
	Ceiling	Perpendicular	610	178	305	
	Type X at garage ceiling beneath habitable rooms	Perpendicular	610	150	150	48 mm long 6d coated nails or equivalent drywall screws. Screws shall comply with Section R702.3.5.1
	Wall	Either direction	610	205	305	13 gage, 41.2 mm long, 7.5 mm head; 2.5 mm diameter, 35 mm long, annular-ringed; 6d cooler nail, 2.3 mm diameter, 48 mm long, 6.35 mm head; or gypsum board nail, 2.3 mm diameter, 48 mm long, 7.5 mm head.
	Wall	Either direction	405	205	405	
Application with adhesive						
9.5	Ceiling ^d	Perpendicular	405	405	405	Same as above for 9.5 mm gypsum board and gypsum panel products.
	Wall	Either direction	405	405	610	
12.5 or 16	Ceiling	Either direction	405	405	405	Same as above for 12.5 mm and 9.5 mm gypsum board and gypsum panel products, respectively.
	Ceiling ^d	Perpendicular	610	305	405	
	Wall	Either direction	610	405	610	
Two 9.5 layers	Ceiling	Perpendicular	405	405	405	Base ply nailed as above for 12.5 mm gypsum board and gypsum panel products; face ply installed with adhesive.
	Wall	Either direction	610	610	610	

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm= 0.03937 inch .

- a. For application without adhesive, a pair of nails spaced not less than 51 mm (2 inches) apart or more than 63.5 mm (2½ inches) apart shall be permitted to be used with the pair of nails spaced 305 mm (12 inches) on center.
- b. Screws shall be in accordance with Section R702.3.5.1. Screws for attaching gypsum board or gypsum panel products to structural insulated panels shall penetrate the wood structural panel facing not less than 11 mm (7/16 inch).
- c. Where cold-formed steel framing is used with a clinching design to receive nails by two edges of metal, the nails shall be not less than 16 mm (5/8 inch) longer than the gypsum board or gypsum panel product thickness and shall have ringed shanks. Where the cold-formed steel framing has a nailing groove formed to receive the nails, the nails shall have barbed shanks or be 5d, 13½ gage, 41.4 mm (1¾ inches) long, 6 mm (15/64-inch) head for 12.5 mm (½-inch) gypsum board or gypsum panel product; and 6d, 13 gage, 48 mm (1⅞ inches long), 6 mm (15/64-inch) head for 16 mm (5/8-inch) gypsum board or gypsum panel product.
- d. Three-eighths-inch-thick single-ply gypsum board or gypsum panel product shall not be used on a ceiling where a water-based textured finish is to be applied, or where it will be required to support insulation above a ceiling. On ceiling applications to receive a water-based texture material, either hand or spray applied, the gypsum board or gypsum panel product shall be applied perpendicular to framing. Where applying a water-based texture material, the minimum gypsum board thickness shall be increased from 3.2 mm (3/8 inch) to 12.5 mm (½ inch) for 405 mm (16-inch) on center framing, and from 12.5 mm (½ inch) to 3.2 mm (3/8 inch) for 610 mm (24-inch) on center framing or 12.5 mm (½-inch) sag-resistant gypsum ceiling board shall be used.

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**TABLE R702.3.6
SHEAR CAPACITY FOR HORIZONTAL WOOD-FRAMED GYPSUM BOARD DIAPHRAGM CEILING ASSEMBLIES**

MATERIAL	THICKNESS OF MATERIAL (min.) (mm)	SPACING OF FRAMING MEMBERS (max.) (mm)	SHEAR VALUE ^{a, b} (kg/m of ceiling)	MINIMUM FASTENER SIZE ^{c, d}
Gypsum board or gypsum panel product	12.5	405 o.c.	134	5d cooler or wallboard nail; 41 mm long; 2.2 mm shank; 6 mm head
Gypsum board or gypsum panel product	12.5	610 o.c.	104	5d cooler or wallboard nail; 41 mm long; 2.2 mm shank; 6 mm head

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm= 0.03937 inch , 1 kg/m= 0.67 pound per linear foot .

- a. Values are not cumulative with other horizontal diaphragm values and are for short-term loading caused by wind or seismic loading. Values shall be reduced 25 percent for normal loading.
- b. Values shall be reduced 50 percent in Seismic Design Categories D₀, D₁, D₂ and E.
- c. 1 1/4-inch, No. 6 Type S or W screws shall be permitted to be substituted for the listed nails.
- d. Fasteners shall be spaced not more than 178 mm (7 inches) on center at all supports, including perimeter blocking, and not less than 9.5 mm (3/8 inch) from the edges and ends of the gypsum board.

will not damage the materials.

**TABLE R702.4.2
BACKER BOARD MATERIALS**

MATERIAL	STANDARD
Glass mat gypsum backing panel	ASTM C1178
Fiber-reinforced gypsum panels	ASTM C1278
Nonasbestos fiber-cement backer board	ASTM C1288 or ISO 8336, Category C
Nonasbestos fiber mat-reinforced cementitious backer units	ASTM C1325

R702.5 Other finishes. Wood veneer paneling and hardboard paneling shall be placed on wood or cold-formed steel framing spaced not more than 405 mm (16 inches) on center. Wood veneer and hard board paneling less than 6.35 mm (1/4-inch) nominal thickness shall not have less than a 9.55 mm (3/8-inch) gypsum board or gypsum panel product backer. Wood veneer paneling not less than 6.35 mm (1/4-inch) nominal thickness shall conform to ANSI/HPVA HP-1. Hardboard paneling shall conform to CPA/ANSI A135.5.

R702.6 Wood shakes and shingles. Wood shakes and shingles shall conform to CSSB *Grading Rules for Wood Shakes and Shingles* and shall be permitted to be installed directly to the studs with maximum 610 mm (24 inches) on-center spacing.

R702.6.1 Attachment. Nails, staples or glue are permitted for attaching shakes or shingles to the wall, and attachment of the shakes or shingles directly to the surface shall be permitted provided the fasteners are appropriate for the type of wall surface material. Where nails or staples are used, two fasteners shall be provided and shall be placed so that they are covered by the course above.

R702.6.2 Furring strips. Where furring strips are used, they shall be 25.4 mm by 51 mm (1 inch by 2 inches) or 25.5 mm by 76 mm (1 inch by 3 inches) , spaced a distance on center equal to the desired exposure, and shall be attached to the wall by nailing through other wall material into the studs.

R702.7 Vapor retarders. Class I or II vapor retarders are required on the interior side of frame walls in Climate Zones 5, 6, 7, 8 and Marine 4.

Exceptions:

1. Basement walls.
2. Below-grade portion of any wall.
3. Construction where moisture or its freezing

R702.7.1 Class III vapour retarders. Class III vapour retarders shall be permitted where any one of the conditions in Table R702.7.1 is met.

TABLE R702.7.1
CLASS III
VAPOURRETARDERS

CLIMATE ZONE	CLASS III VAPOURRETARDERS PERMITTED FOR: ^a
Marine 4	Vented cladding over wood structural panels. Vented cladding over fiberboard. Vented cladding over gypsum. Continuous insulation with R -value ≥ 2.5 over 51 x 100 mm wall. Continuous insulation with R -value ≥ 3.75 over 51 x 150 mm wall.
5	Vented cladding over wood structural panels. Vented cladding over fiberboard. Vented cladding over gypsum. Continuous insulation with R -value ≥ 5 over 51 x 100 mm wall. Continuous insulation with R -value ≥ 7.5 over 51 x 150 mm wall.
6	Vented cladding over fiberboard. Vented cladding over gypsum. Continuous insulation with R -value ≥ 7.5 over 51 x 100 mm wall. Continuous insulation with R -value ≥ 11.25 over 51 x 150 mm wall.
7 and 8	Continuous insulation with R -value ≥ 10 over 51 x 100 mm wall. Continuous insulation with R -value ≥ 15 over 51 x 150 mm wall.

For Inch Pound Units: 1 kg/m³ = 0.0624 pound per cubic foot = 16 kg/m³,
1 mm = 0.03937 inch.

1. Spray foam with a maximum permeance of 1.5 perms at the installed thickness, applied to the interior cavity side of wood structural panels, fiberboard, insulating sheathing or gypsum is deemed to meet the continuous insulation requirement where the spray foam R -value meets or exceeds the specified continuous insulation R -value.

R702.7.2 Material vapour retarder class. The *vapour retarder class* shall be based on the manufacturer's certified testing or a tested assembly.

The following shall be deemed to meet the class specified:

1. Class I: Sheet polyethylene, on perforated aluminum foil.
2. Class II: Kraft-faced fiberglass batts.
3. Class III: Latex or enamel paint.

R702.7.3 Minimum clear airspaces and vented openings for vented cladding. For the purposes of this section, vented cladding shall include the following minimum clear airspaces. Other openings with the equivalent vent area shall be permitted.

1. Vinyl polypropylene or horizontal aluminum siding applied over a weather-resistive barrier as specified in Table R703.3(1).
2. Brick veneer with a clear airspace as specified in Table R703.8.4.
3. Other approved vented claddings.

SECTION R703 EXTERIOR COVERING

R703.1 General. Exterior walls shall provide the building with a weather-resistant exterior wall envelope. The exterior wall envelope shall include flashing as described in Section R703.4.

Exception: Log walls designed and constructed in accordance with the provisions of ICC 400.

R703.1.1 Water resistance. The exterior wall envelope shall be designed and constructed in a manner that prevents the accumulation of water within the wall assembly by providing a water-resistant barrier behind the exterior cladding as required by Section R703.2 and a means of draining to the exterior water that penetrates the exterior cladding.

Exceptions:

1. A weather-resistant exterior wall envelope shall not be required over concrete or masonry walls designed in accordance with Chapter 6 and flashed in accordance with Section R703.4 or R703.8.
2. Compliance with the requirements for a means of drainage, and the requirements of Sections R703.2 and R703.4, shall not be required for an exterior wall envelope that has been demonstrated to resist wind-driven rain through testing of the exterior wall envelope, including joints, penetrations and intersections with dissimilar materials, in accordance with ASTM E331 under the following conditions:
 - 1.1 Exterior wall envelope test assemblies shall include at least one opening, one control joint, one wall/eave interface and one wall sill. All tested openings and penetrations shall be representative of the intended end-use configuration.
 - 1.2 Exterior wall envelope test assemblies shall be at least 1,220 mm by 2,450 mm (4 feet by 8 feet) in size.
 - 1.3 Exterior wall assemblies shall be tested at a minimum differential pressure of 299 Pa (6.24 pounds per square foot).
 - 1.4 Exterior wall envelope assemblies shall be subjected to the minimum test exposure for a minimum of 2 hours.

The exterior wall envelope design shall be considered to resist wind-driven rain where the results of testing indicate that water did not penetrate control joints in the exterior wall envelope, joints at the perimeter of openings penetration or intersections of terminations with dissimilar materials.

R703.1.2 Wind resistance. Wall coverings, backing materials and their attachments shall be capable of resisting wind loads in accordance with Tables R301.2(2) and R301.2(3). Wind-pressure resistance of the siding, soffit and backing materials shall be determined by ASTM E330 or other applicable standard test methods. Where wind-pressure resistance is determined by design analysis, data from approved design standards and analysis conforming to generally accepted engineering practice shall be used to evaluate the siding, soffit and backing material and its fastening. All applicable failure modes including bending rupture of siding, fastener withdrawal and fastener head pull-through shall be considered in the testing or design analysis. Where the wall covering, soffit and backing material resist wind load as an assembly, use of the design capacity of the assembly shall be permitted.

R703.2 Water-resistive barrier. One layer of No. 15 asphalt felt, free from holes and breaks, complying with ASTM D226 for Type 1 felt or other approved water-resistive barrier shall be applied over studs or sheathing of all exterior walls. No. 15 asphalt felt shall be applied horizontally, with the upper layer lapped over the lower layer not less than 51 mm (2 inches). Where joints occur, felt shall be lapped not less than 150 mm (6 inches). Other approved materials shall be installed in accordance with the *water-resistive barrier* manufacturer's installation instructions. The No. 15 asphalt felt or other approved *water-resistive barrier* material shall be continuous to the top of walls and terminated at penetrations and building appendages in a manner to meet the requirements of the exterior wall envelope as described in Section R703.1.

R703.3 Wall covering nominal thickness and attachment. The nominal thickness and attachment of exterior wall coverings shall be in accordance with Table R703.3(1), the wall covering material requirements of this section, and the wall covering manufacturer's installation instructions. Cladding attachment over foam sheathing shall comply with the additional requirements and limitations of Sections R703.15 through R703.17. Nominal material thicknesses in Table R703.3(1) are based on a maximum stud spacing of 405 mm (16 inches) on center. Where specified by the siding manufacturer's instructions and supported by a test report or other documentation, attachment to studs with greater spacing is permitted. Fasteners for exterior wall coverings attached to wood framing shall be in accordance with Section R703.3.3 and Table R703.3(1). Exterior wall coverings shall be attached to cold-formed steel light frame construction in accordance with the cladding manufacturer's installation instructions, the requirements of Table R703.3(1) using screw fasteners substituted for the nails specified in accordance with Table R703.3(2), or an approved design.

TABLE R703.3(1)
SIDING MINIMUM ATTACHMENT AND MINIMUM THICKNESS

SIDING MATERIAL	NOMINAL THICKNESS (mm)	JOINT TREATMENT	TYPE OF SUPPORTS FOR THE SIDING MATERIAL AND FASTENERS						
			Wood or wood structural panel sheathing into stud	Fiberboard sheathing into stud	Gypsum sheathing into stud	Foam plastic sheathing into stud ^l	Direct to studs	Number or spacing of fasteners	
Anchored veneer: brick, concrete, masonry or stone (see Section R703.8)	51	Section R703.8	Section R703.8						
Adhered veneer: concrete, stone or masonry (see Section R703.12)	—	Section R703.12	Section R703.12						
Fiber cement siding	Panel siding (see Section R703.10.1)	8	Section R703.10.1	6d common (51 mm × 2.9 mm)	6d common (51 mm × 2.9 mm)	6d common (51 mm × 0.2.9 mm)	6d common (51 mm × 2.9 mm)	4d common (38 mm × 2.5 mm)	150 mm panel edges 305 mm inter. sup.
	Lap siding (see Section R703.10.2)	8	Section R703.10.2	6d common (51 mm × 2.9 mm)	6d common (51 mm × 2.9 mm) or 11 gage roofing nail	Note f			
Hardboard panel siding (see Section R703.5)	11	—	3mm nail (shank) with 6 mm head	3 mm nail (shank) with 6 mm head	3 mm nail (shank) with 6 mm head	3 mm nail (shank) with 6 mm head	3 mm nail (shank) with 6 mm head	3 mm nail (shank) with 6 mm head	150 mm panel edges 305 mm inter. sup. ^d
Hardboard lap siding (see Section R703.5)	11	Note e	2.5 mm nail (shank) with 6.1 mm head	2.5 nail (shank) with 6.1mm head	2.5 nail (shank) with 6.1 mm head	2.55 nail (shank) with 6.1 mm head	2.55 nail (shank) with 6.1 mm head	2.55 nail (shank) with 6.1 mm head	Same as stud spacing 2 per bearing
Horizontal aluminum ^a	Without insulation	0.48 ^b	Lap	Siding nail 38 mm × 3 mm	Siding nail 51mm × 3 mm	Siding nail 51 mm × 3 mm	Siding nail ^h 38 mm × 3 mm	Not allowed	Same as stud spacing
		0.61	Lap	Siding nail 38 mm × 3 mm	Siding nail 51 mm × 3 mm	Siding nail 51 mm × 3 mm	Siding nail ^h 38 mm × 3 mm	Not allowed	
	With insulation	0.48	Lap	Siding nail 38 mm × 3 mm	Siding nail 63.5 mm × 3 mm	Siding nail 63.5 mm × 3 mm	Siding nail ^h 38 mm × 3 mm	Siding nail 38 mm × 3 mm	
Insulated vinyl siding ⁱ	0.89 (vinyl siding layer only)	Lap	0.120 nail (shank) with a 0.313 head or 16-gage crown ^{h, i}	0.120 nail (shank) with a 0.313 head or 16-gage crown ^h	0.120 nail (shank) with a 0.313 head or 16-gage crown ^h	0.120 nail (shank) with a 0.313 head or 16-gage crown ^h	0.120 nail (shank) with a 0.313 head or 16-gage crown ^h	Not allowed	405 mm on center or specified by manufacturer instructions, test report or other sections of this code
Particleboard panels	9.5	—	6d box nail (51mm × 2.5 mm)	6d box nail (51 mm × 02.5 mm)	6d box nail (51 mm × 2.5 mm)	6d box nail (51 × 2.5)	Not allowed	150 mm panel edges 305 mm inter. sup.	
	12.5	—	6d box nail (51 mm × 2.5 mm)	6d box nail (51 × 2.5 mm)	6d box nail (51 mm × 2.5 mm)	6d box nail (51 m × 2.5 mm)	6d box nail (51 mm × 2.5 mm)		
	16	—	6d box nail (51 mm × 2.5 mm)	8d box nail (63.5 mm × 2.9 mm)	8d box nail (63.5 mm × 2.5 mm)	6d box nail (51 mm × 2.5 mm)	6d box nail (51 mm × 2.5 mm)		

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Polypropylene siding ^k	Not applicable	Lap	Section 703.14.1	Section 703.14.1	Section 703.14.1	Section 703.14.1	Not allowed	As specified by the manufacturer instructions, test report or other sections of this code
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SIDING MINIMUM ATTACHMENT AND MINIMUM THICKNESS

SIDING MATERIAL	NOMINAL THICKNESS (mm)	JOINT TREATMENT	TYPE OF SUPPORTS FOR THE SIDING MATERIAL AND FASTENERS					
			Wood or wood structural panel sheathing into stud	Fiberboard sheathing into stud	Gypsum sheathing into stud	Foam plastic sheathing into stud ^f	Direct to studs	Number or spacing of fasteners
Steel ^c	29 ga.	Lap	Siding nail (44.45 mm × 2.9 mm) Staple—44.45 mm	Siding nail (70 mm × 2.9 mm) Staple—63.5 mm	Siding nail (63.5 mm × 2.9 mm) Staple—57 mm	Siding nail (44.45 mm × 2.9 mm) Staple—44.45 mm	Not allowed	Same as stud spacing
Vinyl siding (see Section R703.11)	0.89 mm	Lap	3 mm nail (shank) with a 8 mm head or 16-gage staple with 9.5 mm ^g to 12.5 mm crown ^{h, i}	3 mm nail (shank) with a 8 mm head or 16-gage staple with 9.5 mm to 12.5 mm crown ^h	3 mm nail (shank) with a 8 mm head or 16-gage staple with 9.5 mm to 12.5 mm crown ^h	3 mm nail (shank) with a 0.313 head Section R703.11.2	Not allowed	405 mm on center or as specified by the manufacturer instructions or test report
Wood siding (see Section R703.5)	Wood rustic, drop	9.5 mm min.	Lap	6d box or siding nail (51 mm × 2.5 mm)	6d box or siding nail (51 mm × 2.5 mm)	6d box or siding nail (51 mm × 2.5 mm)	6d box or siding nail (51 mm × 2.5 mm)	8d box or siding nail (63.5 mm × 2.9 mm) Staple—51
	Shiplap	15 mm average	Lap					
	Bevel	11 mm	Lap					
	Butt tip	4.8 mm	Lap					
Wood structural panel ANSI/APA PRP-210 siding (exterior grade) (see Section R703.5)	9.5 mm–12.5 mm	Note e	51 mm × 2.5 mm siding nail	63.5 mm × 2.9 mm siding nail	63.5 mm × 2.9 mm siding nail	63.5 mm × 2.99 mm siding nail	51 mm × 2.5 mm siding nail	150 mm panel edges 305 mm inter. sup.
Wood structural panel lap siding (see Section R703.5)	9.5 mm – 12.5 mm	Note e Note g	51 mm × 2.5 mm siding nail	63.5 mm × 2.9 mm siding nail	63.5 mm × 2.9 mm siding nail	63.5 mm × 2.9 mm siding nail	51 mm × 2.5 mm siding nail	205 mm along bottom edge

For Inch Inch Pound : 1 mm= 0.03937 inch .

- Aluminum nails shall be used to attach aluminum siding.
- Aluminum 0.48 mm (0.019 inch) shall be unbacked only where the maximum panel width is 255 mm (10 inches) and the maximum flat area is 205 mm (8 inches). The tolerance for aluminum siding shall be +0.002 inch of the nominal dimension.
- Shall be of approved type.
- Where used to resist shear forces, the spacing must be 102 mm (4 inches) at panel edges and 205 mm (8 inches) on interior supports.
- Vertical end joints shall occur at studs and shall be covered with a joint cover or shall be caulked.
- Face nailing: one 6d common nail through the overlapping planks at each stud. Concealed nailing: one 11-gage 38 mm (1½ -inch)-long galv. roofing nail through the top edge of each plank at each stud in accordance with the manufacturer's installation instructions.
- Vertical joints, if staggered, shall be permitted to be away from studs if applied over wood structural panel sheathing.
- Minimum fastener length must be sufficient to penetrate sheathing other nailable substrate and framing a total of a minimum of 31 mm (1¼ inches) or in accordance with the manufacturer's installation instructions.
- Where specified by the manufacturer's instructions and supported by a test report, fasteners are permitted to penetrate into or fully through nailable sheathing or other nailable substrate of minimum thickness specified by the instructions or test report, without penetrating into framing.
- Insulated vinyl siding shall comply with ASTM D7793.
- Polypropylene siding shall comply with ASTM D7254.
- Cladding attachment over foam sheathing shall comply with the additional requirements and limitations of Sections R703.15, R703.16 and R703.17.

TABLE R703.3(2)
SCREW FASTENER SUBSTITUTION FOR
SIDING ATTACHMENT TO COLD-FORMED STEEL
LIGHT FRAME CONSTRUCTION^{a, b, c, d, e}

NAIL DIAMETER PER TABLE R703.3(1)	MINIMUM SCREW FASTENER SIZE
25.1 $\frac{1}{8}$	No. 6
2.9 $\frac{3}{8}$	No. 7
3 $\frac{1}{8}$	No. 8

For Inch Inch Pound : 1 mm= 0.03937 inch

- a. Screws shall comply with ASTM C1513 and shall penetrate a minimum of three threads through minimum 33 mil (20 gage) cold-formed steel frame construction.
- b. Screw head diameter shall be not less than the nail head diameter required by Table R703.3(1).
- c. Number and spacing of screw fasteners shall comply with Table R703.3(1).
- d. Pan head, hex washer head, modified truss head or other screw head types with a flat attachment surface under the head shall be used for vinyl siding attachment.
- e. Aluminum siding shall not be fastened directly to cold-formed steel light frame construction.

R703.3.1 Soffit installation. Soffits shall comply with Section R703.3.1.1, Section R703.3.1.2 or the manufacturer’s installation instructions.

R703.3.1.1 Wood structural panel soffit. The minimum nominal thickness for wood structural panel soffits shall be 9.55 mm ($\frac{3}{8}$ inch) and shall be fastened to framing or nailing strips with 51 mm by 2.5 mm (2-inch by 0.099-inch) nails. Fasteners shall be in spaced not less than 150 mm (6 inches) on center at panel edges and 305 mm (12 inches) on center at intermediate sup- ports.

R703.3.1.2 Vinyl soffit panels. Soffit panels shall be fastened at fascia and wall ends and to intermediate nailing strips as necessary to ensure that there is no unsupported span greater than 405 mm (16 inches), or as specified by the manufacturer’s instructions.

R703.3.2 Wind limitations. Where the design wind pressure exceeds 30 psf or where the limits of Table R703.3.2 are exceeded, the attachment of wall coverings and soffits shall be designed to resist the component and cladding loads specified in Table R301.2(2) for walls, adjusted for height and exposure in accordance with Table R301.2(3). For the determination of wall covering and soffit attachment, component and cladding loads shall be determined using an effective wind area of 0.93 m² (10 square feet) .

TABLE R703.3.2
LIMITS FOR ATTACHMENT PER TABLE R703.3(1)

Ultimate Wind Speed (m/s 3-second gust)	MAXIMUM MEAN ROOF HEIGHT		
	Exposure		
	B	C	D
51	NL	50 \square	20 \square
53	NL	30 \square	DR
58	60 \square	15 \square	DR
63	35 \square	DR	DR

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm= 0.03937 foot, 1 m/s= 2.2 mile per hour =
 NL = Not Limited by Table R703.3.2, DR = Design Required.

R703.3.3 Fasteners. Exterior wall coverings and roof overhang soffits shall be securely fastened with aluminum, galvanized, stainless steel or rust-preventative coated nails or staples in accordance with Table R703.3(1) or with other approved corrosion-resistant fasteners in accordance with the wall covering manufacturer’s installation instructions. Nails and staples shall comply with ASTM F1667. Nails shall be T-head, modified round head, or round head with smooth or deformed shanks. Staples shall have a minimum crown width of 11 mm ($\frac{7}{16}$ inch) outside diameter and be manufactured of minimum 16-gage wire. Where fiberboard, gypsum, or foam plastic sheathing backing is used, nails or staples shall be driven into the studs. Where wood or wood structural panel sheathing is used, fasteners shall be driven into studs unless otherwise permitted to be driven into sheathing in accordance with either the siding manufacturer’s installation instructions or Table R703.3.3.

R703.3.4 Minimum fastener length and penetration. Fasteners shall have the greater of the minimum length specified in Table R703.3(1) or as required to provide a minimum penetration into framing as follows:

1. Fasteners for horizontal aluminum siding, steel siding, particleboard panel siding, wood structural panel siding in accordance with ANSI/APA-PRP 210, fiber-cement panel siding and fiber-cement lap siding installed over foam plastic sheathing shall penetrate not less than 38 mm (1 $\frac{1}{2}$ inches) into framing or shall be in accordance with the manufacturer’s installation instructions.
2. Fasteners for hardboard panel and lap siding shall penetrate not less than 38 mm (1 $\frac{1}{2}$ inches) into framing.
3. Fasteners for vinyl siding and insulated vinyl siding installed over wood or wood structural panel sheath-

TABLE R703.3.3
OPTIONAL SIDING ATTACHMENT SCHEDULE FOR FASTENERS WHERE NO STUD PENETRATION NECESSARY

APPLICATION	NUMBER AND TYPE OF FASTENER	SPACING OF FASTENERS ^b
Exterior wall covering (weighing 0.143 KPa or less) attachment to wood structural panel sheathing, either direct or over foam sheathing a maximum of 51 mm thick. ^a	Ring shank roofing nail (3.01 mm min. dia.)	305 o.c.
	Ring shank nail (3.71 mm min. dia.)	381 o.c.
	No. 6 screw (3.51 mm min. dia.)	305 o.c.
	No. 8 screw (4.2 mm min. dia.)	405 o.c.
Note: Does not apply to vertical siding.		

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm= 0.03937 inch , 1 KPa= 20.89 pound per square foot .

- a. Fastener length shall be sufficient to penetrate the back side of the wood structural panel sheathing by at least 6.35 mm ($\frac{1}{4}$ inch). The wood structural panel sheathing shall be not less than 11 mm ($\frac{7}{16}$ inch) in thickness.
- b. Spacing of fasteners is per 305 mm (12 inches) of siding width. For other siding widths, multiply "Spacing of Fasteners" above by a factor of $12/s$, where "s" is the siding width in mm (inches). Fastener spacing shall never be greater than the manufacturer's minimum recommendations.

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ing shall penetrate not less than 32 mm (1¹/₄ inches) into sheathing and framing combined. Vinyl siding and insulated vinyl siding shall be permitted to be installed with fasteners penetrating into or through wood or wood structural sheathing of minimum thickness as specified by the manufacturer's instructions or test report, with or without penetration into the framing. Where the fastener penetrates fully through the sheathing, the end of the fastener shall extend not less than 6.35 mm (1/4 inch) beyond the

opposite face of the sheathing. Fasteners for vinyl siding and insulated vinyl siding installed over foam plastic sheathing shall be in accordance with Section R703.11.2. Fasteners for vinyl siding and insulated vinyl siding installed over fiberboard or gypsum sheathing shall penetrate not less than 32 mm (1¹/₄ inches) into framing.

4. Fasteners for vertical or horizontal wood siding shall penetrate not less than 38 mm (1¹/₂ inches) into studs, studs and wood sheathing combined, or blocking.
5. Fasteners for siding material installed over foam plastic sheathing shall have sufficient length to accommodate foam plastic sheathing thickness and to penetrate framing or sheathing and framing combined, as specified in Items 1 through 4.

R703.4 Flashing. Approved corrosion-resistant flashing shall be applied shingle-fashion in a manner to prevent entry of water into the wall cavity or penetration of water to the building structural framing components. Self-adhered membranes used as flashing shall comply with AAMA 711. Fluid-applied membranes used as flashing in exterior walls shall comply with AAMA 714. The flashing shall extend to the surface of the exterior wall finish. Approved corrosion-resistant flashings shall be installed at the following locations:

1. Exterior window and door openings. Flashing at exterior window and door openings shall extend to the surface of the exterior wall finish or to the water-resistive barrier complying with Section 703.2 for subsequent drainage. Mechanically attached flexible flashings shall comply with AAMA 712. Flashing at exterior window and door openings shall be installed in accordance with one or more of the following:
 - 1.1. The fenestration manufacturer's installation and flashing instructions, or for applications not addressed in the fenestration manufacturer's instructions, in accordance with the flashing manufacturer's instructions. Where flashing instructions or details are not provided, pan flashing shall be installed at the sill of exterior window and door openings. Pan flashing shall be sealed or sloped in such a manner as to direct water to the surface of the exterior wall finish or to the water-resistive barrier for subsequent drainage. Openings using pan flashing shall incorporate flashing or protection at the head and sides.
 - 1.2. In accordance with the flashing design or method of a registered design professional.
 - 1.3. In accordance with other approved methods.

2. At the intersection of chimneys or other masonry construction with frame or stucco walls, with projecting lips on both sides under stucco copings.
3. Under and at the ends of masonry, wood or metal copings and sills.
4. Continuously above all projecting wood trim.
5. Where exterior porches, decks or stairs attach to a wall or floor assembly of wood-frame construction.
6. At wall and roof intersections.
7. At built-in gutters.

R703.5 Wood, hardboard and wood structural panel siding. Wood, hardboard, and wood structural panel siding shall be installed in accordance with this section and Table R703.3(1). Hardboard siding shall comply with CPA/ANSI A135.6. Hardboard siding used as architectural trim shall comply with CPA/ANSI A 135.7.

R703.5.1 Vertical wood siding. Wood siding applied vertically shall be nailed to horizontal nailing strips or blocking set not more than 610 mm (24 inches) on center.

R703.5.2 Panel siding. 9.55 mm (Three-eighths-inch) wood structural panel siding shall not be applied directly to studs spaced more than 405 mm (16 inches) on center where long dimension is parallel to studs. Wood structural panel siding 11 mm (7/16 inch) or thinner shall not be applied directly to studs spaced more than 610 mm (24 inches)

on center. The stud spacing shall not exceed the panel span rating provided by the manufacturer unless the panels are installed with the face grain perpendicular to the studs or over sheathing approved for that stud spacing.

Joints in wood, hardboard or wood structural panel siding shall be made as follows unless otherwise approved. Vertical joints in panel siding shall occur over framing members, unless wood or wood structural panel sheathing is used, and shall be shiplapped or covered with a batten. Horizontal joints in panel siding shall be lapped not less than 25.4 mm (1 inch) or shall be shiplapped or flashed with Z-flashing and occur over solid blocking, wood or wood structural panel sheathing.

R703.5.3 Horizontal wood siding. Horizontal lap siding shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations. Where there are no recommendations the siding shall be lapped not less than 25.4 mm (1 inch) , or 12.5 mm (1/2 inch) if rabbeted, and shall have the ends caulked, covered with a batten or sealed and installed over a strip of flashing.

R703.6 Wood shakes and shingles. Wood shakes and shingles shall conform to CSSB.

R703.6.1 Application. Wood shakes or shingles shall be applied either single course or double course over nominal 12.5 mm (1/2-inch) wood-based sheathing or to furring strips

over 12.5 mm (1/2-inch) nominal nonwood sheathing. A water-resistive barrier shall be provided over all sheathing, with horizontal overlaps in the membrane of not less than 51 mm (2 inches) and vertical overlaps of not less than 150 mm (6 inches) . Where horizontal furring strips are used, they shall be 25.4 mm by 76 mm (1 inch by 3 inches) or

25.4 mm by 102 mm (1 inch by 4 inches)

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and shall be fastened to the studs with minimum 7d or 8d box nails and shall be spaced a distance on center equal to the actual weather exposure of the shakes or shingles, not to exceed the maximum exposure specified in Table R703.6.1. When installing shakes or shingles over a nonpermeable water-resistive barrier, furring strips shall be placed first vertically over the barrier and in addition, horizontal furring strips shall be fastened to the vertical furring strips prior to attaching the shakes or shingles to the horizontal furring strips. The spacing between adjacent shingles to allow for expansion shall be 3.2 mm (1/8 inch) to 6.35 mm (1/4 inch) apart, and between adjacent shakes shall be 9.55 mm (3/8 inch) to 12.5 mm (1/2 inch) apart. The offset spacing between joints in adjacent courses shall be not less than 38 mm (1 1/2 inches).

be stainless steel Type 316. Fasteners for fire-retardant-treated shakes

**TABLE R703.6.1
MAXIMUM WEATHER EXPOSURE FOR WOOD SHAKES
AND SHINGLES ON EXTERIOR WALLS^{a, b, c}
(Dimensions are in mm)**

LENGTH	EXPOSURE FOR SINGLE COURSE	EXPOSURE FOR DOUBLE COURSE
Shingles^a		
405	178	305 ^b
458	205	355 ^c
610	268	405 ^d
Shakes^a		
458	205	355
610	268	457

For Inch Pound Units : 1 inch .

- a. Dimensions given are for No. 1 grade.
- b. A maximum 228 mm (9-inch) exposure is permitted for No. 2 grade.
- c. A maximum 255 mm (10-inch) exposure is permitted for No. 2 grade.
- d. A maximum 355 mm (14-inch) exposure is permitted for No. 2 grade.

R703.6.2 Weather exposure. The maximum weather exposure for shakes and shingles shall not exceed that specified in Table 703.6.1.

R703.6.3 Attachment. Wood shakes or shingles shall be installed according to this chapter and the manufacturer’s instructions. Each shake or shingle shall be held in place by two stainless steel Type 304, Type 316 or hot-dipped zinc-coated galvanized corrosion-resistant box nails in accordance with Table R703.6.3(1) or R703.6.3(2). The hot-dipped zinc-coated galvanizing shall be in compliance with ASTM A153, 0.002637 kg/m² (1.0 ounce per square foot). Alternatively, 16-gage stainless steel Type 304 or Type 316 staples with

crown widths 11 mm (7/16 inch) minimum, 19 mm (3/4 inch) maximum, shall be used and the crown of the staple shall be placed parallel with the butt of the shake or the shingle. In single-course application, the fasteners shall be concealed by the course above and shall be driven approximately 25.4 mm (1 inch) above the butt line of the succeeding course and 19 mm (3/4 inch) from the edge. In double-course applications, the exposed shake or shingle shall be face-nailed with two fasteners, driven approximately 51 mm (2 inches) above the butt line and 19 mm (3/4 inch) from each edge. Fasteners installed within 24 km (15 miles) of salt water coastal areas shall

or shingles in accordance with Section R902 or pressure-impregnated-preservative-treated shakes or shingles in accordance with AWWA U1 shall be stainless steel Type 316. The fasteners shall penetrate the sheathing or furring strips by not less than 12.5 mm ($\frac{1}{2}$ inch) and shall not be overdriven. Fasteners for untreated (natural) and treated products shall comply with ASTM F1667.

R703.6.4 Bottom courses. The bottom courses shall be doubled.

R703.7 Exterior plaster (stucco). Installation of exterior plaster shall be in compliance with ASTM C926, ASTM C1063 and the provisions of this code.

R703.7.1 Lath. Lath and lath attachments shall be of corrosion-resistant materials. Expanded metal or woven wire lath shall be attached with 38 mm ($1\frac{1}{2}$ -inch)-long, 11-gage nails having a 11 mm ($\frac{7}{16}$ -inch) head, or 22 mm ($\frac{7}{8}$ -inch)- long, 16-gage staples, spaced not more than 150 mm (6 inches) or as otherwise approved.

Exception: Lath is not required over masonry, cast-in-place concrete, precast concrete or stone substrates prepared in accordance with ASTM C1063.

R703.7.2 Plaster. Plastering with cement plaster shall be in accordance with ASTM C926. Cement materials shall be in accordance with one of the following:

1. Masonry cement conforming to ASTM C91 Type M, S or N.
2. Portland cement conforming to ASTM C150 Type I, II, or III.
3. Blended hydraulic cement conforming to ASTM C595 Type IP, IS (< 70), IL, or IT (S < 70).
4. Hydraulic cement conforming to ASTM C1157 Type GU, HE, MS, HS, or MH.
5. Plastic (stucco) cement conforming to ASTM C1328.

Plaster shall be not less than three coats where applied over metal lath or wire lath and shall be not less than two coats where applied over masonry, concrete, pressure-preservative-treated wood or decay-resistant wood as specified in Section R317.1 or gypsum backing. If the plaster surface is completely covered by veneer or other facing material or is completely concealed, plaster application need be only two coats, provided the total thickness is as set forth in Table R702.1(1).

On wood-frame construction with an on-grade floor slab system, exterior plaster shall be applied to cover, but not extend below, lath, paper and screed.

The proportion of aggregate to cementitious materials shall be as set forth in Table R702.1(3).

R703.7.2.1 Weep screeds. A minimum 0.5 mm (0.019-inch) (No. 26 galvanized sheet gage), corrosion-resistant weep screed or plastic weep screed, with a minimum vertical attachment flange of 89 mm ($3\frac{1}{2}$ inches), shall be provided at or below the foundation plate line on exterior stud walls in accordance with ASTM C926. The weep screed shall be placed not less than 100 mm (4 inches) above the earth or 51 mm (2 inches) above

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TABLE R703.6.3(1)
SINGLE-COURSE SIDEWALL FASTENERS

SINGLE-COURSE SIDEWALL FASTENERS			
Product type	Nail type and minimum length (mm)	Minimum head diameter (mm)	Minimum shank thickness (mm)
R & R and sanded shingles			
405 mm and 457 shingles	3d box 32 mm	4.8	2.03
610 shingles	4d box 38 mm	4.8	2.03
Grooved shingles			
405 and 457 shingles	3d box 32 mm	4.8	2.03
610 shingles	4d box 38 mm	4.8	2.03
Split and sawn shakes			
457 straight-split shakes	5d box 44.45 mm	4.8	2.03
457 and 610 handsplit shakes	6d box 51	4.8	2.3
610 tapersplit shakes	5d box 44.45	4.8	2.03
457 and 610 tapersawn shakes	6d box 51	4.8	2.3

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm= 0.03937 inch .

TABLE R703.6.3(2)
DOUBLE-COURSE SIDEWALL FASTENERS

DOUBLE-COURSE SIDEWALL FASTENERS			
Product type	Nail type and minimum length (mm)	Minimum head diameter (mm)	Minimum shank thickness (mm)
R & R and sanded shingles			
405 mm, 205 mm and 610 mm shingles	5d box 44.45 mm or same size casing nails	4.8 mm	2.3 mm
Grooved shingles			
405 mm, 457 mm and 610 mm shingles	5d box 44.45 mm	4.8 mm	2.3 mm
Split and sawn shakes			
457 mm straight-split shakes	7d box 57.2 mm or 8d 63.5 mm	4.8 mm	2.5 mm
457 mm and 610 mm handsplit shakes	7d box 57.2 mm or 8d 63.5 mm	4.8 mm	2.5 mm
610 μμ tapersplit shakes	7d box 57.2 mm or 8d 63.5 mm	4.8 mm	2.5 mm
457 mm and 610 mm tapersawn shakes	7d box 57.2 mm or 8d 53.5 mm	4.8 mm	2.5 mm

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch

paved areas and shall be of a type that will allow trapped water to drain to the exterior of the building. The weather-resistant barrier shall lap the attachment flange. The exterior lath shall cover and terminate on the attachment flange of the weep screed.

R703.7.3 Water-resistant barriers. Water-resistant barriers shall be installed as required in Section R703.2 and, where applied over wood-based sheathing, shall include a water-resistant, vapor-permeable barrier with a performance at least equivalent to two layers of Grade D paper.

Individual layers shall be installed independently such that each layer provides a separate continuous plane and is installed in accordance with Section R703.4 and intended to drain to the water-resistant barrier, is directed between the layers. Exception: Where the water-resistant barrier that is applied over wood-based sheathing has a water resistance equal to or greater than that of 60-minute Grade D paper and is separated from the stucco by an inter-vening, substantially nonwater-absorbing layer or designed drainage space.

R703.7.4 Application. Each coat shall be kept in a moist condition for at least 48 hours prior to application of the next coat.

Exception: Applications installed in accordance with ASTM C926.

R703.7.5 Curing. The finish coat for two-coat cement plaster shall not be applied sooner than seven days after application of the first coat. For three-coat cement plaster, the second coat shall not be applied sooner than 48 hours after application of the first coat. The finish coat for three-coat cement plaster shall not be applied sooner than seven days after application of the second coat.

R703.8 Anchored stone and masonry veneer, general. Anchored stone and masonry veneer shall be installed in accordance with this chapter, Table R703.3(1) and Figure R703.8. These veneers installed over a backing of wood or steel reinforced concrete construction shall be limited to the first story above grade plane and shall not exceed 127 mm (5 inches) in thickness. See Section R602.10 for wall bracing requirements for masonry veneer for wood-framed construction and Section

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R603.9.5 for wall bracing requirements for masonry veneer for steel reinforced concrete construction.

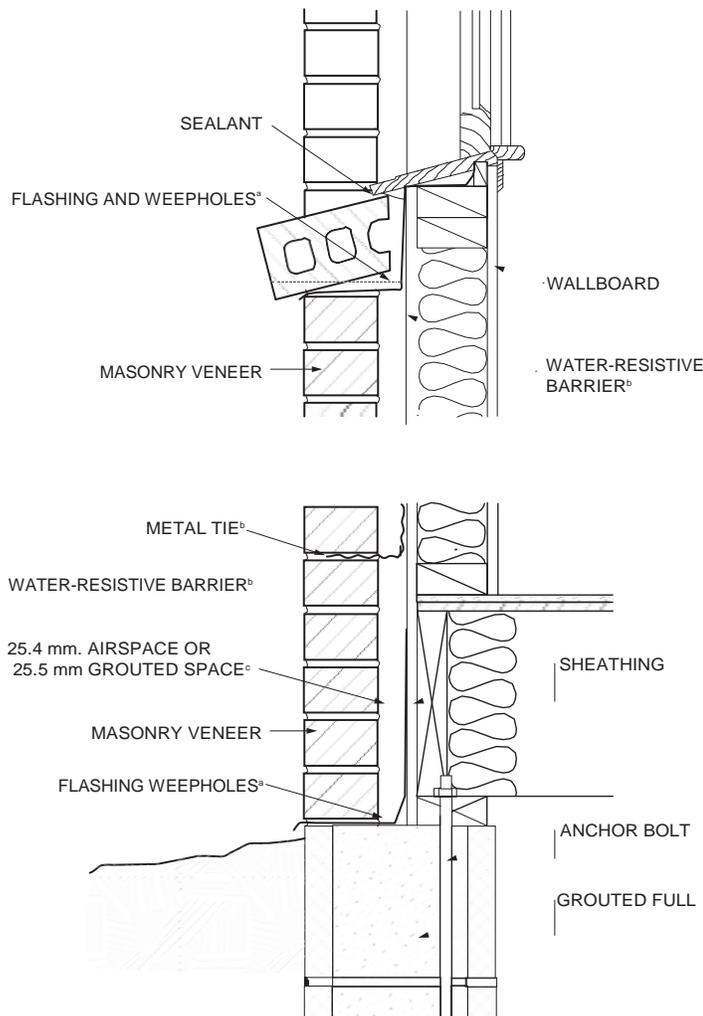
Exceptions:

1. For buildings in Seismic Design Categories A, B and C (note that Jamaica has no such seismic zones), exterior stone or masonry veneer, as specified in Table R703.8(1), with a backing of wood or steel framing shall be permitted to the height specified in Table R703.8(1) above a noncombustible foundation.
2. For detached one- or two-family dwellings in Seismic Design Categories D₀, D₁ and D₂, exterior stone or masonry veneer, as specified in Table R703.8(2), with a backing of wood framing shall be permitted to the height specified in Table R703.8(2) above a noncombustible foundation.

R703.8.1 Interior veneer support. Veneers used as interior wall finishes shall be permitted to be supported on

wood or steel reinforced concrete floors that are designed to support the loads imposed.

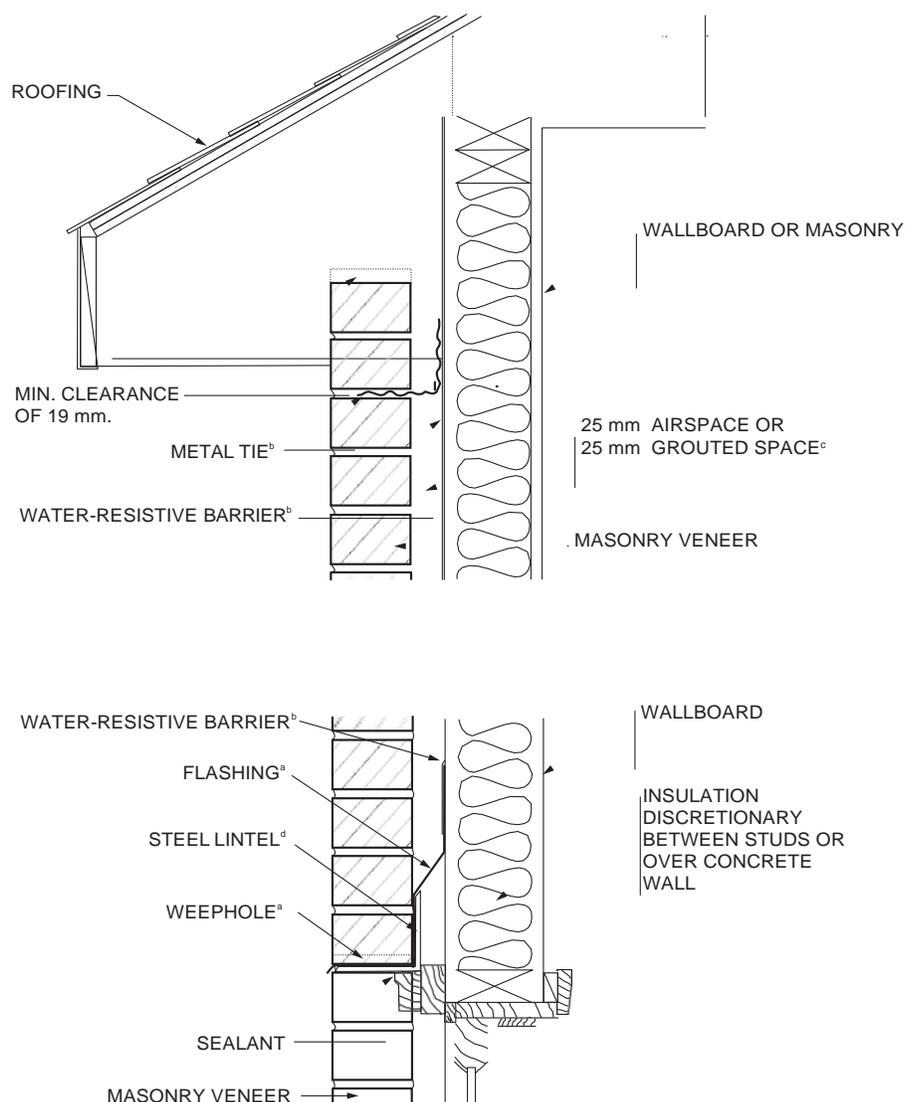
R703.8.2 Exterior veneer support. Except in Seismic Design Categories D₀, D₁ and D₂, exterior masonry veneers having an installed weight of 195 kg/m² (40 pounds per square foot) or less shall be permitted to be supported on wood or steel reinforced concrete construction. Where masonry veneer supported by wood or steel reinforced concrete construction adjoins masonry veneer supported by the foundation, there shall be a movement joint between the veneer supported by the wood or steel reinforced concrete construction and the veneer supported by the foundation. The wood or steel reinforced concrete construction supporting the masonry veneer shall be designed to limit the deflection to $\frac{1}{600}$ of the span for the supporting members. The design of the wood or steel reinforced concrete construction shall consider the weight of the veneer and any other loads.



For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm= 0.03937 inch .

FIGURE R703.8
TYPICAL MASONRY VENEER WALL DETAILS*

(continued)



For Inch Pound Units: 1
mm= 0.03937 inch .

a. See Sections R703.4, R703.8.5 and R703.8.6.

b. See Sections R703.2 and R703.8.4.

c. See Table R703.8.4 and Section R703.8.4.2.

d. See Section R703.8.3.

e. Figure R703.8 illustrates typical construction details for a masonry veneer wall. For the actual mandatory requirements of this code, see the indicated sections of text. Other details of masonry veneer wall construction shall be permitted provided the requirements of the indicated sections of text are met.

FIGURE R703.8—continued
TYPICAL MASONRY VENEER WALL DETAILS^e

R703.8.2.1 Support by steel angle. A minimum 150 mm by 100 mm by 8 mm (6-inch by 4-inch by $\frac{5}{16}$ -inch) steel angle, with the long leg placed vertically, shall be anchored to double 51 mm by 100 mm (2-inch by 4-inch) wood studs or concrete wall at a maximum on-center spacing of 405 mm (16 inches) . Anchorage of the steel angle at every double stud spacing shall be not less than two 11 mm ($\frac{7}{16}$ -inch-) diameter by 100 mm (4-inch) lag screws for wood construc-

tion or two 11 mm ($\frac{7}{16}$ -inch) bolts with washers for cold-formed steel construction. The steel angle shall have a minimum clearance to underlying construction of 1.6 mm ($\frac{1}{16}$ inch) . Not less than two-thirds the width of the masonry veneer thickness shall bear on the steel angle. Flashing and weep holes shall be located in the masonry veneer in accordance with Figure R703.8.2.1. The maximum height of masonry veneer above the steel angle support shall be 3,860 mm (12 feet 8 inches). The

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TABLE R703.8(1)
STONE OR MASONRY VENEER LIMITATIONS AND REQUIREMENTS,
WOOD OR STEEL FRAMING, SEISMIC DESIGN CATEGORIES A, B AND C

SEISMIC DESIGN CATEGORY	NUMBER OF WOOD-OR STEEL-FRAMED STORIES	MAXIMUM HEIGHT OF VENEER ABOVE NONCOMBUSTIBLE FOUNDATION ^a (mm)	MAXIMUM NOMINAL THICKNESS OF VENEER (mm)	MAXIMUM WEIGHT OF VENEER (Kpa) ^b	WOOD- OR STEEL-FRAMED STORY
A or B	Steel: 1 or 2 Wood: 1, 2 or 3	9144	127	2.4	all
C	1	9144	127	2.4	1 only
	2	9144	127	2.4	top
					bottom
	Wood only: 3	9144	127	2.4	top
					middle
bottom					

For Inch Pound Units : 1 mm= 0.03937 inch, 1 mm= 0.00328 foot, 1 kPa= 20.89 pound per square foot.

a. An additional 2,450 mm (8 feet) is permitted for gable end walls. See also story height limitations of Section R301.3.

b. Maximum weight is installed weight and includes weight of mortar, grout, lath and other materials used for installation. Where veneer is placed on both faces of a wall, the combined weight shall not exceed that specified in this table.

TABLE R703.8(2)
STONE OR MASONRY VENEER LIMITATIONS AND REQUIREMENTS,
ONE- AND TWO-FAMILY DETACHED DWELLINGS, SEISMIC DESIGN CATEGORIES D₀, D₁ AND D₂

SEISMIC DESIGN CATEGORY	NUMBER OF WOOD-FRAMED STORIES ^a	MAXIMUM HEIGHT OF VENEER ABOVE NONCOMBUSTIBLE FOUNDATION OR FOUNDATION WALL (mm)	MAXIMUM NOMINAL THICKNESS OF VENEER (mm)	MAXIMUM WEIGHT OF VENEER (KPa) ^b
D ₀	1	6096 ^c	102	1.92
	2	6096 ^c	102	1.92
	3	9144 ^d	102	1.92
D ₁	1	6096 ^c	102	1.92
	2	6096 ^c	102	1.92
	3	6096 ^c	102	1.92
D ₂	1	6096 ^c	76	1.44
	2	6096 ^c	76	1.44

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 kPa = 20.89 pound per square foot, 1 N= 0.22 pound-force

a. Cripple walls are not permitted in Seismic Design Categories D₀, D₁ and D₂.

b. Maximum weight is installed weight and includes weight of mortar, grout and lath, and other materials used for installation.

c. The veneer shall not exceed 6,100 mm (20 feet) in height above a noncombustible foundation, with an additional 2,450 mm (8 feet) permitted for gable end walls, or 9,150 mm (30 feet) in height with an additional 2,450 mm (8 feet) for gable end walls where the lower 3050 mm (10 feet) have a backing of concrete or masonry wall. See story height limitations of Section R301.3.

d. The veneer shall not exceed 9,150 mm (30 feet) in height above a noncombustible foundation, with an additional 8 feet permitted for gable end walls. See story height limitations of Section R301.3.

airspace separating the masonry veneer from the wood backing shall be in accordance with Sections R703.8.4 and R703.8.4.2. The method of support for the masonry veneer on wood construction shall be constructed in accordance with Figure R703.8.2.1.

The maximum slope of the roof construction without stops shall be 7:12. Roof construction with slopes greater than 7:12 but not more than 12:12 shall have stops of a minimum 76 mm by 76 mm by 6.35 mm (3-inch by 3-inch by 1/4-inch) steel plate welded to the angle at 610 mm (24 inches) on center along the angle or as approved by the building official.

R703.8.2.2 Support by roof construction. A steel

angle shall be placed directly on top of the roof construction. The roof supporting construction for the steel angle shall consist of not fewer than three 51 mm by 150 mm (2-inch by 6-inch)

wood members for wood construction A wood member abutting the vertical wall stud construction shall be anchored with not fewer than three 16 mm ($\frac{5}{8}$ -inch) diameter by 127 mm (5-inch) lag screws to every wood stud spacing. Each additional wood roof member shall be anchored by the use of two 10d nails at every wood stud spacing Not less than two-thirds the width of the masonry veneer thickness shall bear on the steel angle. Flashing and weep holes shall be located

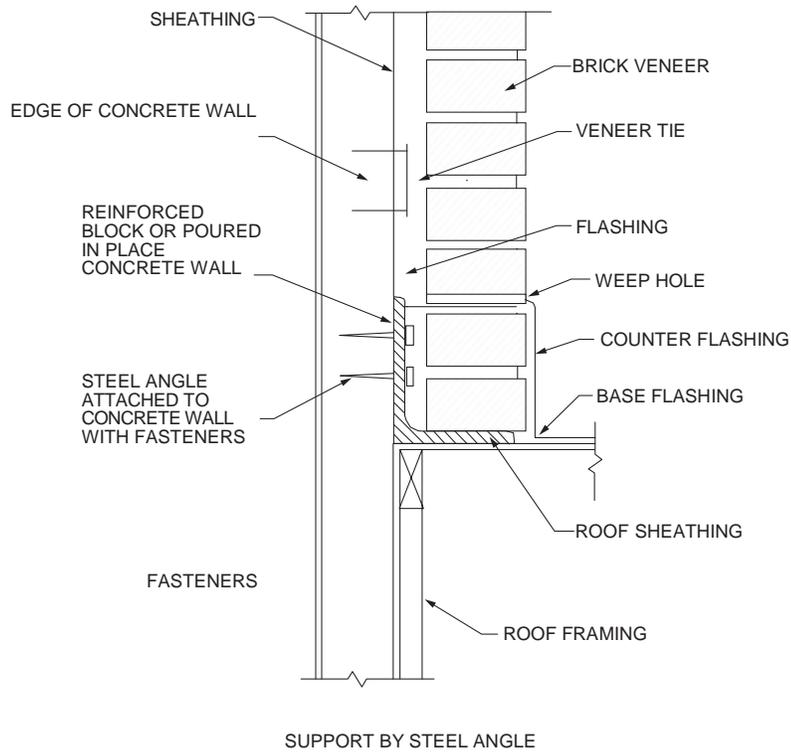


FIGURE R703.8.2.1
EXTERIOR MASONRY VENEER SUPPORT BY STEEL ANGLES

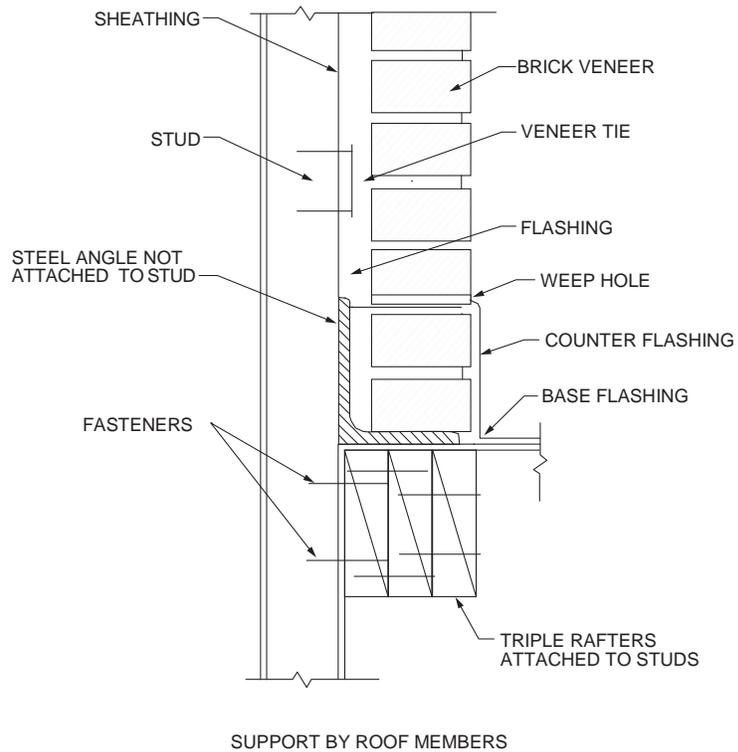


FIGURE R703.8.2.2
EXTERIOR MASONRY VENEER SUPPORT BY ROOF MEMBERS

in the masonry veneer wythe in accordance with Figure R703.8.2.2. The maximum height of the masonry veneer above the steel angle support shall be 3860 mm (12 feet 8 inches). The airspace separating the masonry veneer from the wood backing shall be in accordance with Sections R703.8.4 and R703.8.4.2. The support for the masonry veneer shall be constructed in accordance with Figure R703.8.2.2.

The maximum slope of the roof construction without stops shall be 7:12. Roof construction with slopes greater than 7:12 but not more than 12:12 shall have stops of a minimum 76 mm by 76 mm 6.35 mm (3-inch by 3-inch by 1/4-inch) steel plate welded to the angle at 610 mm (24 inches) on center along the angle or as approved by the building official.

R703.8.3 Lintels. Masonry veneer shall not support any vertical load other than the dead load of the veneer above. Veneer above openings shall be supported on lintels of noncombustible materials. The lintels shall have a length of bearing not less than 102 mm (4 inches). Steel lintels shall be shop coated with a rust-inhibitive paint, except for lintels made of corrosion-resistant steel or steel treated with coatings to provide corrosion resistance. Construction of openings shall comply with either Section R703.8.3.1 or 703.8.3.2.

R703.8.3.1 Allowable span. The allowable span shall not exceed the values set forth in Table R703.8.3.1.

R703.8.3.2 Maximum span. The allowable span shall not exceed 5560 mm (18 feet 3 inches) and shall be constructed to comply with Figure R703.8.3.2 and the following:

1. Provide a minimum length of 455 mm (18 inches) of masonry veneer on each side of opening as shown in Figure R703.8.3.2.
2. Provide a minimum 127 mm by 89 mm by 7.9 mm (5-inch by 3 1/2-inch by 5/16-inch) steel angle above the opening and shore for a minimum of 7 days after installation.
3. Provide double-wire joint reinforcement extending 305 mm (12 inches) beyond each side of the opening. Lap splices of joint reinforcement not less than 305 mm (12 inches). Comply with one of the following:

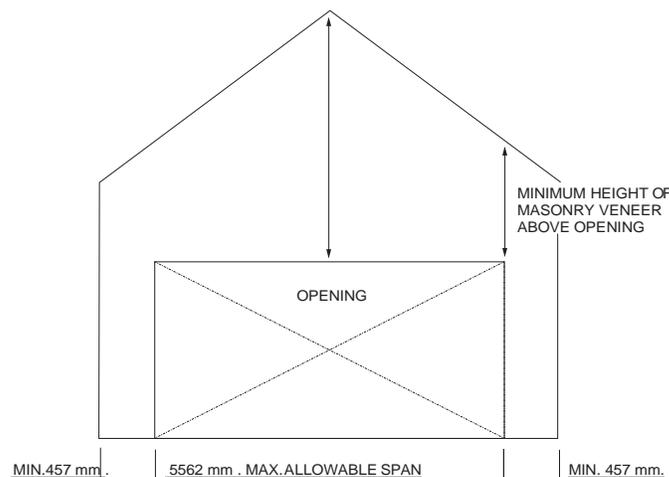
- 3.1. Double-wire joint reinforcement shall be 4.8 mm (3/16-inch) diameter and shall be placed in the first two bed joints above the opening.
- 3.2. Double-wire joint reinforcement shall be 9 gauge {3.66 mm (0.144 inch) diameter} and shall be placed in the first three bed joints above the opening.
4. Provide the height of masonry veneer above opening, in accordance with Table R703.8.3.2.

**TABLE R703.8.3.2
HEIGHT OF MASONRY VENEER ABOVE OPENING**

MINIMUM HEIGHT OF MASONRY VENEER ABOVE OPENING (INCH)	MAXIMUM HEIGHT OF MASONRY VENEER ABOVE OPENING (FEET)
13	< 5
24	5 to < 12
60	12 to height above support allowed by Section R703.8

MINIMUM HEIGHT OF MASONRY VENEER ABOVE OPENING (mm)	MAXIMUM HEIGHT OF MASONRY VENEER ABOVE OPENING (MM)
330	< 1524
610	1524 to < 3658
1524	3658 to height above support allowed by Section R703.8

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm= 0.03937 inch , 1 mm= 0.00328 foot



For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot

**FIGURE R703.8.3.2
MASONRY VENEER OPENING**

**TABLE R703.8.3.1
ALLOWABLE SPANS FOR LINTELS SUPPORTING MASONRY VENEER^{a, b, c, d}**

SIZE OF STEEL ANGLE ^{a, c, d} (mm)	NO STORY ABOVE	ONE STORY ABOVE	TWO STORIES ABOVE	NO. OF 12.5 mm OR EQUIVALENT REINFORCING BARS IN REINFORCED LINTEL ^{b, d}
76 × 76 × 6.35	1828	1371	915	1
102 × 76 × 6.35	2438	1828	1371	1
127 × 89 × 8	3050	2438	1828	2

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150 × 89 × 8	4267	2895	2133	2
762 × 89 × 8	6096	3657	2895	4

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot.

- a. Long leg of the angle shall be placed in a vertical position.
- b. Depth of reinforced lintels shall be not less than 205 mm (8 inches) and all cells of hollow masonry lintels shall be grouted solid. Reinforcing bars shall extend not less than 205 mm (8 inches) into the support.
- c. Steel members indicated are adequate typical examples; other steel members meeting structural design requirements shall be permitted to be used.
- d. Either steel angle or reinforced lintel shall span opening.

R703.8.4 Anchorage. Masonry veneer shall be anchored to the supporting wall studs with corrosion-resistant metal ties embedded in mortar or grout and extending into the veneer a minimum of 38 mm (1½ inches), with not less than 16 mm (5⁄8-inch) mortar or grout cover to outside face. Masonry veneer shall conform to Table R703.8.4(1). For masonry veneer tie attachment through insulating sheathing not greater than 51 mm (2 inches) in thickness to not less than 7/16 performance category wood structural panel, see Table R703.8.4(2).

R703.8.4.1 Size and spacing. Veneer ties, if strand wire, shall be not less in thickness than No. 9 U.S. gage [4 mm (0.148 inch)] wire and shall have a hook embedded in the mortar joint, or if sheet metal, shall be not less than No. 22 U.S. gage [0.76 mm (0.0299 inch)] by 22 mm (7⁄8 inch) corrugated. Each tie shall support not more than 0.25 m² (2.67 square feet) of wall area and shall be spaced not more than 815 mm (32 inches) on center horizontally and 610 mm (24 inches) on center vertically.

Exception: In Seismic Design Category D₀, D₁ or D₂ or townhouses in Seismic Design Category C or in wind areas of more than 1.44 kPa (30 pounds per square foot pressure), each tie shall support not more than 0.2 m² (2 square feet) of wall area.

R703.8.4.1.1 Veneer ties around wall openings. Additional metal ties shall be provided around wall openings greater than 405 mm (16 inches) in either dimension. Metal ties around the perimeter of openings shall be spaced not more than 915 mm (3 feet) on center and placed within 305 mm (12 inches) of the wall opening.

R703.8.4.2 Grout fill. As an alternative to the airspace required by Table R703.8.4, grout shall be permitted to fill the airspace. Where the airspace is filled with grout, a water-resistive barrier is required over studs or sheathing. Where the airspace is filled, replacing the sheathing and water-resistive barrier with a wire mesh and *approved* water-resistive barrier or an *approved* water-resistive barrier-backed reinforcement attached directly to the studs is permitted.

R703.8.5 Flashing. Flashing shall be located beneath the first course of masonry above finished ground level above the foundation wall or slab and at other points of support, including structural floors, shelf angles and lintels where masonry veneers are designed in accordance with Section R703.8. See Section R703.4 for additional requirements.

R703.8.6 Weepholes. Weepholes shall be provided in the outside wythe of masonry walls at a maximum spacing of 838 mm (33 inches) on center. Weepholes shall be not less than 5 mm (3⁄16 inch) in diameter. Weepholes shall be located immediately above the flashing.

R703.9 Exterior insulation and finish system (EIFS)/EIFS with drainage. Exterior insulation and finish systems (EIFS) shall comply with this chapter and Section R703.9.1. EIFS with drainage shall comply with this chapter and Section R703.9.2.

R703.9.1 Exterior insulation and finish systems (EIFS). EIFS shall comply with the following:

1. ASTM E2568.
2. EIFS shall be limited to applications over substrates of concrete or masonry wall assemblies.
3. Flashing of EIFS shall be provided in accordance with the requirements of Section R703.4.
4. EIFS shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer’s instructions.
5. EIFS shall terminate not less than 150 mm (6 inches) above the finished ground level.
6. Decorative trim shall not be face-nailed through the EIFS.

R703.9.2 Exterior insulation and finish system (EIFS) with drainage. EIFS with drainage shall comply with the following:

1. ASTM E2568.
2. EIFS with drainage shall be required over all wall assemblies with the exception of substrates of concrete or masonry wall assemblies.
3. EIFS with drainage shall have an average minimum drainage efficiency of 90 percent when tested in accordance with ASTM E2273.

TABLE R703.8.4(1)
TIE ATTACHMENT AND AIRSPACE REQUIREMENTS

BACKING AND TIE	MINIMUM TIE	MINIMUM TIE FASTENER ^a	AIRSPACE ^c
Wood stud backing with corrugated sheet metal	22 U.S. gage (0.75 mm) × 22 mm. wide	8d common nail ^b (63.5 mm. × 3.3)	Nominal 25.4 mm. between sheathing and veneer

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Wood stud backing with metal strand wire	W1.7 (No. 9 U.S. gage; 3.75 mm) with hook embedded in mortar joint	8d common nail ^b (63.5 mm. × 3.3)	Minimum nominal 25.4 mm. between sheathing and veneer	Maximum 114 mm. between backing and veneer
Cold-formed steel stud backing with adjustable metal strand wire	W1.7 (No. 9 U.S. gage; 3.75 mm.) with hook embedded in mortar joint	No. 10 screw extending through the steel framing a minimum of three exposed threads	Minimum nominal 25.4 mm. between sheathing and veneer	Maximum 114 mm. between backing and veneer

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch.

- a. In Seismic Design Category D₀, D₁ or D₂, the minimum tie fastener shall be an 8d ring-shank nail 63.5 mm × 3.3 mm (2½ in. × 0.131 in.) or a No. 10 screw extending through the steel framing a minimum of three exposed threads.
- b. All fasteners shall have rust-inhibitive coating suitable for the installation in which they are being used, or be manufactured from material not susceptible to corrosion.
- c. An airspace that provides drainage shall be permitted to contain mortar from construction.

TABLE R703.8.4(2)
REQUIRED BRICK TIE SPACING FOR DIRECT APPLICATION TO WOOD STRUCTURAL PANEL SHEATHING^{a, b, c}

FASTENER TYPE ^d	SIZE (DIA. OR SCREW #)	REQUIRED BRICK-TIE SPACING (VERTICAL-TIE SPACING/HORIZONTAL-TIE SPACING) (mm/mm)												
		49 m/s V Ultimate			51 m/s V Ultimate			58 m/s V Ultimate			63 m/s V Ultimate			
		Zone 5, Exposure B	Zone 5, Exposure C	Zone 5, Exposure D	Zone 5, Exposure B	Zone 5, Exposure C	Zone 5, Exposure D	Zone 5, Exposure B	Zone 5, Exposure C	Zone 5, Exposure D	Zone 5, Exposure B	Zone 5, Exposure C	Zone 5, Exposure D	
Ring Shank Nails	0.091	405/405, 405/305, 305/405, 305/305	405/305, 305/405, 305/305	305/305	405/405, 405/405, 305/405, 305/305	405/305, 305/405, 305/305	305/305	405/305, 305/405, 305/305	305/405, 305/305	—	305/305	—	—	
	0.148	610/405, 405/610, 405/405, 405/305, 305/405, 305/305	405/405, 405/305, 305/405, 305/305	405/405, 405/305, 305/405, 305/305	610/405, 405/610, 405/405, 405/305, 305/405, 305/305	405/405, 405/305, 305/405, 305/305	405/405, 405/305, 305/405, 305/305	405/405, 405/305, 305/405, 305/305	405/305, 305/405, 305/305	405/305, 305/405, 305/305	405/305, 305/405, 305/305	405/405, 405/305, 305/405, 305/305	405/305, 305/405, 305/305	305/305
Screws	#6	610/405, 405/610, 405/405, 405/305, 305/405, 305/305	405/405, 405/305, 305/405, 305/305	405/405, 405/305, 305/405, 305/305	610/405, 405/610, 405/405, 405/305, 305/405, 305/305	405/405, 405/305, 305/405, 305/305	405/405, 405/305, 305/405, 305/305	405/405, 405/305, 305/405, 305/305	405/405, 405/305, 305/405, 305/305	405/405, 405/305, 305/405, 305/305	405/305, 305/405, 305/305	405/405, 405/305, 305/405, 305/305	405/305, 305/405, 305/305	305/305
	#8	610/405, 405/610, 405/405, 405/305, 305/405, 305/305	610/405, 405/610, 405/405, 405/305, 305/405, 305/305	405/405, 405/305, 305/405, 305/305	610/405, 405/610, 405/405, 405/305, 305/405, 305/305	405/405, 405/305, 305/405, 305/305	405/405, 405/305, 305/405, 305/305	405/405, 405/305, 305/405, 305/305	405/405, 405/305, 305/405, 305/305	610/405, 405/610, 405/405, 405/305, 305/405, 305/305	405/305, 305/405, 305/305	405/405, 405/305, 305/405, 305/305	405/305, 305/405, 305/305	405/405, 305/405, 305/305
	#10	610/405, 405/610, 405/405, 405/305, 305/405, 305/305	610/405, 405/255, 405/405, 405/305, 305/405, 305/305	610/405, 405/610, 405/405, 405/305, 305/405, 305/305	610/405, 405/610, 405/405, 405/305, 305/405, 305/305	610/405, 405/610, 405/405, 405/305, 305/405, 305/305	610/405, 405/610, 405/405, 405/305, 305/405, 305/305	610/405, 405/610, 405/405, 405/305, 305/405, 305/305	610/405, 405/610, 405/405, 405/305, 305/405, 305/305	610/405, 405/610, 405/405, 405/305, 305/405, 305/305	610/405, 405/610, 405/405, 405/305, 305/405, 305/305	610/405, 405/610, 405/405, 405/305, 305/405, 305/305	610/405, 405/610, 405/405, 405/305, 305/405, 305/305	405/305, 305/405, 305/305
	#14	610/405, 405/610, 405/405, 405/305, 305/405, 305/305	610/405, 405/610, 405/405, 405/305, 305/405, 305/305	610/405, 405/610, 405/405, 405/305, 305/405, 305/305	610/405, 405/610, 405/405, 405/305, 305/405, 305/305	610/405, 405/610, 405/405, 405/305, 305/405, 305/305	610/405, 405/610, 405/405, 405/305, 305/405, 305/305	610/405, 405/610, 405/405, 405/305, 305/405, 305/305	610/405, 405/610, 405/405, 405/305, 305/405, 305/305	610/405, 405/610, 405/405, 405/305, 305/405, 305/305	405/405, 405/305, 305/405, 305/305	610/405, 405/610, 405/405, 405/305, 305/405, 305/305	405/405, 405/305, 305/405, 305/305	405/405, 405/305, 305/405, 305/305

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 m/s = 2.2 mph.

a. This table is based on attachment of brick ties directly to wood structural panel sheathing only. Additional attachment of the brick tie to lumber framing is not required. The brick ties shall be permitted to be placed over any insulating sheathing, not to exceed 51 mm (2 inches) in thickness. Wood structural panel sheathing shall be a minimum 7/16 performance category. The table is based on a building height of

915 mm (30 feet) or less.

b. Wood structural panels shall have a specific gravity of 0.42 or greater in accordance with NDS.

c. Foam sheathing shall have a minimum compressive strength of 13 kPa (15 psi) in accordance with ASTM C578 or ASTM C1289.

d. Fasteners shall be sized such that the tip of the fastener passes completely through the wood structural panel sheathing by not less than 6.35 mm ($\frac{1}{4}$ inch).

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4. The water-resistive barrier shall comply with Section R703.2 or ASTM E2570.
5. The water-resistive barrier shall be applied between the EIFS and the wall sheathing.
6. Flashing of EIFS with drainage shall be provided in accordance with the requirements of Section R703.4.
7. EIFS with drainage shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.
8. EIFS with drainage shall terminate not less than 150 mm (6 inches) above the finished ground level.
9. Decorative trim shall not be face-nailed through the EIFS with drainage.

R703.10 Fiber cement siding.

R703.10.1 Panel siding. Fiber-cement panels shall comply with the requirements of ASTM C1186, Type A, minimum Grade II or ISO 8336, Category A, minimum Class 2. Panels shall be installed with the long dimension either parallel or perpendicular to framing. Vertical and horizontal joints shall occur over framing members and shall be protected with caulking, or with battens or flashing, or be vertical or horizontal shiplap, or otherwise designed to comply with Section R703.1. Panel siding shall be installed with fasteners in accordance with Table R703.3(1) or the approved manufacturer's instructions.

R703.10.2 Lap siding. Fiber-cement lap siding having a maximum width of 305 mm (12 inches) shall comply with the requirements of ASTM C1186, Type A, minimum Grade II or ISO 8336, Category A, minimum Class 2. Lap siding shall be lapped a minimum of 32 mm (1¹/₄ inches) and lap siding not having tongue-and-groove end joints shall have the ends protected with caulking, covered with an H-section joint cover, located over a strip of flashing, or shall be designed to comply with Section R703.1. Lap siding courses shall be installed with the fastener heads exposed or concealed, in accordance with Table R703.3(1) or approved manufacturer's instructions.

R703.11 Vinyl siding. Vinyl siding shall be certified and labeled as conforming to the requirements of ASTM D3679 by an *approved* quality control agency.

R703.11.1 Installation. Vinyl siding, soffit and accessories shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

R703.11.1.1 Fasteners. Unless specified otherwise by the manufacturer's instructions, fasteners for vinyl siding shall be 3 mm (0.120-inch) shank diameter nail with a 8 mm (0.313-inch) head or 16-gage staple with a 9.55 mm (3/8-inch) to 12.5 mm (1/2-inch) crown.

R703.11.1.2 Penetration depth. Unless specified otherwise by the manufacturer's instructions, fasteners shall penetrate into building framing. The total penetration into sheathing, furring framing or other nailable substrate shall be a minimum 32 mm (1¹/₄ inches). Where specified by the manufacturer's instructions and supported by a test report, fasteners are permitted to penetrate into or fully through nailable sheathing or other nailable substrate of minimum thickness specified by

the instructions or test report without penetrating into framing. Where the fastener penetrates fully through the sheathing, the end of the fastener shall extend a minimum of 6.35 mm (1/4 inch) beyond the opposite face of the sheathing or nailable substrate.

R703.11.1.3 Spacing. Unless specified otherwise by the manufacturer's instructions, the maximum spacing between fasteners for horizontal siding shall be 405 mm (16 inches), and for vertical siding 305 mm (12 inches) both horizontally and vertically. Where specified by the manufacturer's instructions and supported by a test report, greater fastener spacing is permitted.

R703.11.2 Installation over foam plastic sheathing. Where vinyl siding or insulated vinyl siding is installed over foam plastic sheathing, the vinyl siding shall comply with Section R703.11 and shall have a design wind pressure resistance in accordance with Table R703.11.2.

Exceptions:

1. Where the foam plastic sheathing is applied directly over wood structural panels, fiberboard, gypsum sheathing or other *approved* backing capable of independently resisting the design wind pressure, the vinyl siding shall be installed in accordance with Sections R703.3.3 and R703.11.1.
2. Where the vinyl siding manufacturer's product specifications provide an approved design wind pressure rating for installation over foam plastic sheathing, use of this design wind pressure rating shall be permitted and the siding shall be installed in accordance with the *manufacturer's installation instructions*.
3. Where the foam plastic sheathing and its attachment have a design wind pressure resistance complying with Sections R316.8 and R301.2.1, the vinyl siding shall be installed in accordance with Sections R703.3.3 and R703.11.1.

R703.12 Adhered masonry veneer installation. Adhered masonry veneer shall comply with the requirements of Section R703.7.3 and the requirements in Sections 12.1 and 12.3 of TMS 402. Adhered masonry veneer shall be installed in accordance with Section R703.7.1, Article 3.3C of TMS 602 or the manufacturer's instructions.

R703.12.1 Clearances. On exterior stud walls, adhered masonry veneer shall be installed:

1. Minimum of 100 mm (4 inches) above the earth;
2. Minimum of 51 mm (2 inches) above paved areas; or
3. Minimum of 12.5 mm (1/2 inch) above exterior walking surfaces that are supported by the same foundation that supports the exterior wall.

R703.12.2 Flashing at foundation. A corrosion-resistant screed or flashing of a minimum 0.48 mm (0.019-inch) or 26-gage galvanized or plastic with a minimum vertical attachment flange of 89 mm (3¹/₂ inches) shall be installed to extend a minimum of 25.4 mm (1 inch) below the founda

tion plate line on exterior stud walls in accordance with Section R703.4.

R703.12.3 Water-resistive barrier. A water-resistive barrier shall be installed as required by Section R703.2 and shall comply with the requirements of Section R703.7.3. The water-resistive barrier shall lap over the exterior of the attachment flange of the screed or flashing provided in accordance with Section R703.12.2.

R703.13 Insulated vinyl siding. Insulated vinyl siding shall be certified and labeled as conforming to the requirements of ASTM D7793 by an approved quality control agency.

R703.13.1 Insulated vinyl siding and accessories. Insulated vinyl siding and accessories shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer’s installation instructions.

R703.14 Polypropylene siding. Polypropylene siding shall be certified and labeled as conforming to the requirements of ASTM D7254, and those of Section R703.14.2 or Section R703.14.3, by an approved quality control agency.

R703.14.1 Polypropylene siding and accessories. Polypropylene siding and accessories shall be installed in accordance with manufacturer’s installation instructions.

R703.14.1.1 Installation. Polypropylene siding shall be installed over and attached to wood structural panel sheathing with minimum thickness of 11 mm (⁷/₁₆ inch), or other substrate, composed of wood or wood-based material and fasteners having equivalent withdrawal resistance.

R703.14.1.2 Fastener requirements. Unless otherwise specified in the approved manufacturer’s instructions, nails shall be corrosion resistant, with a minimum 3 mm (0.120- inch) shank and minimum 8 mm (0.313-inch) head diameter. Nails shall be a minimum of 32 mm (1¹/₄ inches) long or as necessary to penetrate sheathing or substrate not less than 19 mm (³/₄ inch). Where the nail fully penetrates the sheathing or nailable substrate, the end of the fastener shall extend not less than 6.35 mm (¹/₄ inch)

beyond the opposite face of the sheathing or substrate. Staples are not permitted.

R703.14.2 Fire separation. Polypropylene siding shall not be installed on walls with a fire separation distance of less than 1525 mm (5 feet) and walls closer than 3050 mm (10 feet) to a building on another lot.

Exception: Walls perpendicular to the line used to determine the fire separation distance.

R703.14.3 Flame spread index. The certification of the *flame spread index* shall be accompanied by a test report stating that all portions of the test specimen ahead of the flame front remained in position during the test in accordance with ASTM E84 or UL 723.

R703.15 Cladding attachment over foam sheathing to wood framing. Cladding shall be specified and installed in accordance with Section R703, the cladding manufacturer’s approved instructions, including any limitations for use over foam plastic sheathing, or an approved design. In addition, the cladding or furring attachments through foam sheathing to framing shall meet or exceed the minimum fastening requirements of Section R703.15.1, Section R703.15.2, or an approved design for support of cladding weight.

Exceptions:

1. Where the cladding manufacturer has provided approved installation instructions for application over foam sheathing, those requirements shall apply.
2. For exterior insulation and finish systems, refer to Section R703.9.
3. For anchored masonry or stone veneer installed over foam sheathing, refer to Section R703.8.

R703.15.1 Direct attachment. Where cladding is installed directly over foam sheathing without the use of furring, cladding minimum fastening requirements to support the cladding weight shall be as specified in Table R703.15.1.

**TABLE R703.11.2
ADJUSTED MINIMUM DESIGN WIND PRESSURE REQUIREMENT FOR VINYL SIDING**

ULTIMATE DESIGN WIND SPEED (M/s)	ADJUSTED MINIMUM DESIGN WIND PRESSURE (ASD) (kPa) ^{a, b}					
	Case 1: With interior gypsum wallboard			Case 2: Without interior gypsum wallboard ^c		
	Exposure			Exposure		
	B	C	D	B	C	D
49	-2.1	-3	-3.5	-3	-4.2	-5
51	-2.4	-3.3	-4	-3.4	-4.7	-6
53	-2.5	-3.5	-4.1	-3.5	-5	-6
58	-3	-4.2	-5	-4.3	-6	-7.1
> 58	Not Allowed ^d					

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 m² = 10.7 square foot, 1 m/s = 2.2 mile per hour, 1 kPa = 20.89 pound per square foot.

a. Linear interpolation is permitted.

b. The table values are based on a maximum 9,150 mm (30-foot) mean roof height, and effective wind area of 0.93 m² (10 square feet) Wall Zone 5 (corner), and the ASD design wind pressure from Table R301.2(2) multiplied by the following adjustment factors: 2.6 (Case 1) and 3.7 (Case 2) for wind speeds less than 58 m/s (130 mph) and 3.7 (Case 2) for wind speeds greater than 58 m/s (130 mph).

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- c. Gypsum wallboard, gypsum panel product or equivalent.
- d. For the indicated wind speed condition, foam sheathing only on the exterior of frame walls with vinyl siding is not allowed unless the vinyl siding complies with an adjusted minimum design wind pressure requirement as determined in accordance with Note b and the wall assembly is capable of resisting an impact without puncture at least equivalent to that of a wood frame wall with minimum 11 mm ($\frac{7}{16}$ -inch) OSB sheathing as tested in accordance with ASTM E1886.

R703.15.2 Furred cladding attachment. Where wood furring is used to attach cladding over foam sheathing, furring minimum fastening requirements to support the cladding weight shall be as specified in Table R703.15.2. Where placed horizontally, wood furring shall be preservative-treated wood in accordance with Section R317.1 or naturally durable wood and fasteners shall be corrosion resistant in accordance Section R317.3.

R703.16 Cladding attachment over foam sheathing to cold-formed steel framing. Cladding shall be specified and installed in accordance with Section R703, the cladding manufacturer's approved instructions, including any limitations for use over foam plastic sheathing, or an approved design. In addition, the cladding or furring attachments through foam sheathing to framing shall meet or exceed the minimum fastening requirements of Section R703.16.1, Section R703.16.2 or an approved design for support of cladding weight.

Exceptions:

1. Where the cladding manufacturer has provided approved installation instructions for application over foam sheathing, those requirements shall apply.
2. For exterior insulation and finish systems, refer to Section R703.9.
3. For anchored masonry or stone veneer installed over foam sheathing, refer to Section R703.8.

R703.16.1 Direct attachment. Where cladding is installed directly over foam sheathing without the use of furring, cladding minimum fastening requirements to support the cladding weight shall be as specified in Table R703.16.1.

R703.16.2 Furred cladding attachment. Where steel or wood furring is used to attach cladding over foam sheath-

ing, furring minimum fastening requirements to support the cladding weight shall be as specified in Table R703.16.2. Where placed horizontally, wood furring shall be preservative-treated wood in accordance with Section R317.1 or naturally durable wood and fasteners shall be corrosion resistant in accordance with Section R317.3. Steel furring shall have a minimum G60 galvanized coating.

R703.17 Cladding attachment over foam sheathing to masonry or concrete wall construction. Cladding shall be specified and installed in accordance with Section 703.3 and the cladding manufacturer's instructions or an approved design. Foam sheathing shall be attached to masonry or concrete construction in accordance with the insulation manufacturer's installation instructions or an approved design. Furring and furring attachments through foam sheathing into concrete or masonry substrate shall be designed to resist design loads determined in accordance with Section R301, including support of cladding weight as applicable. Fasteners used to attach cladding or furring through foam sheathing to masonry or concrete substrates shall be approved for application into masonry or concrete material and shall be installed in accordance with the fastener manufacturer's instructions.

Exceptions:

1. Where the cladding manufacturer has provided approved installation instructions for application over foam sheathing and connection to a masonry or concrete substrate, those requirements shall apply.
2. For exterior insulation and finish systems, refer to Section R703.9.
3. For anchored masonry or stone veneer installed over foam sheathing, refer to Section R703.8.

**TABLE R703.15.1
CLADDING MINIMUM FASTENING REQUIREMENTS FOR DIRECT ATTACHMENT
OVER FOAM PLASTIC SHEATHING TO SUPPORT CLADDING WEIGHT^a**

CLADDING FASTENER THROUGH FOAM SHEATHING	CLADDING FASTENER TYPE AND MINIMUM SIZE ^b	CLADDING FASTENER VERTICAL SPACING (mm)	MAXIMUM THICKNESS OF FOAM SHEATHING ^c (mm)							
			405 ³ / ₈ o.c. Fastener Horizontal Spacing				610 ³ / ₈ o.c. Fastener Horizontal Spacing			
			Cladding Weight:				Cladding Weight:			
			0.14 KPa	0.52 KPa	0.86 KPa	1.2 KPa	0.14 KPa	0.52 KPa	0.86 KPa	1.2 KPa
Wood framing (minimum 32 mm penetration)	2.9 ³ / ₈ diameter nail	150	51	37	19	DR	51	23	DR	DR
		205	51	25.4	DR	DR	51	14	DR	DR
		305	51	14	DR	DR	50	DR	DR	DR
	3 ³ / ₈ diameter nail	150	76	43	23	14	76	27	13	DR
		205	76	30	15	DR	76	18	DR	DR
		305	76	18	DR	DR	55	DR	DR	DR
	3.3 ³ / ₈ diameter nail	150	102	57	30	19	102	34	18	DR
		205	102	40	20	DR	102	23	DR	DR
		305	102	23	DR	DR	69	13	DR	DR
	4.1 ³ / ₈ diameter nail	150	102	90	52	36	102	57	32	20
		205	102	65	37	24	102	41	22	13
		305	102	41	22	13	102	24	DR	DR

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 kPa = 20.89 pound per square foot, 1 kPa = 0.145 pound per square inch.

DR = Design Required.

o.c. = On Center.

a. Wood framing shall be Spruce-pine-fir or any wood species with a specific gravity of 0.42 or greater in accordance with AWC NDS.

b. Nail fasteners shall comply with ASTM F1667, except nail length shall be permitted to exceed ASTM F1667 standard lengths.

c. Foam sheathing shall have a minimum compressive strength of 103.4 kPa (15 psi) in accordance with ASTM C578 or ASTM C1289.

**TABLE R703.15.2
FURRING MINIMUM FASTENING REQUIREMENTS FOR APPLICATION
OVER FOAM PLASTIC SHEATHING TO SUPPORT CLADDING WEIGHT^{a, b}**

FURRING MATERIAL	FRAMING MEMBER	FASTENER TYPE AND MINIMUM SIZE	MINIMUM PENETRATION INTO WALL FRAMING (mm)	FASTENER SPACING IN FURRING (mm)	MAXIMUM THICKNESS OF FOAM SHEATHING ^d (mm)							
					405 ³ / ₈ o.c. Furring ^e				610 ³ / ₈ o.c. Furring ^e			
					Siding Weight:				Siding Weight:			
					0.14 KPa	0.52 KPa	0.85 KPa	1.2 KPa	0.14 KPa	0.52 KPa	0.85 KPa	1.2 KPa
Minimum 25.4 ³ / ₈ wood furring ^c	Minimum 51 ³ / ₈ wood stud	3.3 ³ / ₈ diameter nail	32 mm	205	102	62	37	24	102	41	22	DR
				305	102	41	22	DR	102	24	DR	DR
				405	102	28	DR	DR	77.5	15.2	DR	DR
		4.1 ³ / ₈ diameter nail	32 mm	205	102	102	62	41	102	70	37	22
				305	102	70	37	22	102	50	19	DR
				405	102	48	24	DR	102	28	DR	DR
		No. 10 wood screw	25.4 mm	305	102	58	30.1	18	102	36	15.2	DR
				405	102	50	19	DR	102	23	DR	DR
				610	102	23	DR	DR	72	DR	DR	DR
	6.35 ³ / ₈ lag screw	38 mm	305	102	67	38	23	102	42	20	DR	
			405	102	50	24	12.5	102	28	DR	DR	
			610	102	28	DR	DR	83	12.5	DR	DR	

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 kPa = 20.89 pound per square foot, 1 kPa = 0.145 pound per square inch.

DR = Design Required.

o.c. = On Center.

a. Wood framing and furring shall be Spruce-pine-fir or any wood species with a specific gravity of 0.42 or greater in accordance with AWC NDS.

b. Nail fasteners shall comply with ASTM F1667, except nail length shall be permitted to exceed ASTM F1667 standard lengths.

c. Where the required cladding fastener penetration into wood material exceeds 19 mm (3/4 inch) and is not more than 38 mm (1 1/2 inches), a minimum 51 mm (2¹/₈) wood furring or an approved design shall be used.

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- d. Foam sheathing shall have a minimum compressive strength of 103.4 kPa (15 psi) in accordance with ASTM C578 or ASTM C1289.
- e. Furring shall be spaced not more than 610 mm (24 inches) on center, in a vertical or horizontal orientation. In a vertical orientation, furring shall be located over wall studs and attached with the required fastener spacing. In a horizontal orientation, the indicated 205 mm and 305 mm (8-inch and 12-inch) fastener spacing in furring shall be achieved by use of two fasteners into studs at 405 mm (16 inches) and 610 mm (24 inches) on center, respectively.

**TABLE R703.16.1
CLADDING MINIMUM FASTENING REQUIREMENTS FOR DIRECT ATTACHMENT
OVER FOAM PLASTIC SHEATHING TO SUPPORT CLADDING WEIGHT^a**

CLADDING FASTENER THROUGH FOAM SHEATHING INTO:	CLADDING FASTENER TYPE AND MINIMUM SIZE ^b	CLADDING FASTENER VERTICAL SPACING (mm)	MAXIMUM THICKNESS OF FOAM SHEATHING ^c (mm)							
			405 ³ o.c. Fastener Horizontal Spacing				610 o.c. Fastener Horizontal Spacing			
			Cladding Weight:				Cladding Weight:			
			0.14 KPa	0.52 KPa	0.85 KPa	1.2 KPa	0.14 KPa	0.85 KPa	18 psf	1.2 KPa
Steel framing (minimum penetration of steel thickness + 3 threads)	No. 8 screw into 33-mil steel or thicker	150	76	75	56	37	76	60	32	DR
		205	76	65	41	15	76	46	DR	DR
		305	76	46	DR	DR	3.00	17	DR	DR
	No. 10 screw into 33-mil steel	150	102	90	69	50	102	74	43	14
		205	102	79	52	25,4	102	57	18	DR
		305	102	57	18	DR	94	27	DR	DR
	No. 10 screw into 43-mil steel or thicker	150	102	102	102	91	102	102	88	69
		205	102	102	94	76	102	98	71	46
		305	102	98	71	46	102	77	38	DR

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch 1 mil = 0.0254 mm, 1 kPa = 20.89 pound per square foot , 1 kPa = 0.145 pound per square inch.

DR = Design Required.

o.c. = On Center.

a. Steel framing shall be minimum 227,527 kPa (33 ksi) steel for 33 mil and 43 mil steel, and 344,738 kPa (50 ksi) steel for 54 mil steel or thicker.

b. Screws shall comply with the requirements of ASTM C1513.

c. Foam sheathing shall have a minimum compressive strength of 103.4 kPa (15 psi) in accordance with ASTM C578 or ASTM C1289.

TABLE R703.16.2
FURRING MINIMUM FASTENING REQUIREMENTS FOR APPLICATION OVER FOAM PLASTIC
SHEATHING TO SUPPORT CLADDING WEIGHT^a

FURRING MATERIAL	FRAMING MEMBER	FASTENER TYPE AND MINIMUM SIZE ^b	MINIMUM PENETRATION INTO WALL FRAMING (mm)	FASTENER SPACING IN FURRING (mm)	MAXIMUM THICKNESS OF FOAM SHEATHING ^d (mm)							
					405 _{mm} o.c. Furring ^e				610 _{mm} o.c. Furring ^e			
					Cladding Weight:				Cladding Weight:			
					0.14 KPa	0.52 KPa	0.85 KPa	1.2 KPa	0.14 KPa	0.52 KPa	0.85 KPa	1.2 KPa
Minimum 33-mil steel furring or minimum 25.4 _{mm} wood furring ^c	33-mil steel stud	No. 8 screw	Steel thickness + 76 threads	305	76	46	DR	DR	76	17	DR	DR
				405	76	25.4	DR	DR	72	DR	DR	DR
				610	72	DR	DR	DR	56	DR	DR	DR
		No. 10 screw	Steel thickness + 76 threads	305	102	57	18	DR	94	27	DR	DR
				405	98	37	DR	DR	86	DR	DR	DR
				610	86	DR	DR	DR	67	DR	DR	DR
	43-mil or thicker steel stud	No. 8 Screw	Steel thickness + 76 threads	305	76	46	DR	DR	76	17	DR	DR
				405	76	25.4	DR	DR	72	DR	DR	DR
				610	72	DR	DR	DR	56	DR	DR	DR
		No. 10 screw	Steel thickness + 76 threads	305	102	98	71	46	102	77	38	DR
				405	102	84	50	15	102	57	DR	DR
				610	102	57	DR	DR	102	17	DR	DR

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mil = 0.0254 mm, 1 kPa = 20.89 pound per square foot, 1 kPa = 0.145 pound per square inch.

DR = Design Required.

o.c. = On Center.

- Wood furring shall be Spruce-pine-fir or any softwood species with a specific gravity of 0.42 or greater. Steel furring shall be minimum 227,527 kPa (33-ksi) steel. Steel studs shall be minimum 227,527 kPa (33-ksi) steel for 33-mil and 43-mil thickness, and 344,738 kPa (50-ksi steel) for 54-mil steel or thicker.
- Screws shall comply with the requirements of ASTM C1513.
- Where the required cladding fastener penetration into wood material exceeds 19 mm (³/₄ inch) and is not more than 38 mm (1½ inches), a minimum 51 mm (2-inch) nominal wood furring or an approved design shall be used.
- Foam sheathing shall have a minimum compressive strength of 103.4 kPa (15 psi) in accordance with ASTM C578 or ASTM C1289.
- Furring shall be spaced not more than 610 mm (24 inches) on center, in a vertical or horizontal orientation. In a vertical orientation, furring shall be located over wall studs and attached with the required fastener spacing. In a horizontal orientation, the indicated 205 mm and 305 mm (8-inch and 12-inch) fastener spacing in furring shall be achieved by use of two fasteners into studs at 405 mm and 610 mm (16 inches and 24 inches) on center, respectively.

CHAPTER 8

ROOF-CEILING CONSTRUCTION

User note:

About this chapter: Chapter 8 addresses the design and construction of roof-ceiling systems. This chapter contains two roof-ceiling framing systems: wood framing and cold-formed steel framing. Allowable span tables are provided to simplify the selection of rafter and ceiling joist size for wood roof framing and cold-formed steel framing. Chapter 8 also provides requirements for the application of ceiling finishes, the proper ventilation of concealed spaces in roofs (for example, enclosed attics and rafter spaces), unvented attic assemblies and attic access.

SECTION R801 GENERAL

R801.1 Application. The provisions of this chapter shall control the design and construction of the roof-ceiling system for buildings.

R801.2 Requirements. Roof and ceiling construction shall be capable of accommodating all loads imposed in accordance with Section R301 and of transmitting the resulting loads to the supporting structural elements.

R801.3 Roof drainage. In areas where *expansive soils* or *collapsible soils* are known to exist, all *dwellings* shall have a controlled method of water disposal from roofs that will collect and discharge roof drainage to the ground surface not less than 1,525 mm (5 feet) from foundation walls or to an *approved* drainage system.

SECTION R802 WOOD ROOF FRAMING

R802.1 General. Wood and wood-based products used for load-supporting purposes shall conform to the applicable provisions of this section.

R802.1.1 Sawn lumber. Sawn lumber shall be identified by a grade mark of an accredited lumber grading or inspection agency and have design values certified by an accreditation body that complies with DOC PS 20. In lieu of a grade mark, a certificate of inspection issued by a lumber grading or inspection agency meeting the requirements of this section shall be accepted.

R802.1.1.1 End-jointed lumber. *Approved* end-jointed lumber identified by a grade mark conforming to Section R802.1.1 shall be permitted to be used interchangeably with solid-sawn members of the same species and grade. End-jointed lumber used in an assembly required elsewhere in this code to have a fire-resistance rating shall have the designation “Heat-Resistant Adhesive” or “HRA” included in its grade mark.

R802.1.2 Structural glued-laminated timbers. Glued-laminated timbers shall be manufactured and identified as required in ANSI A190.1, ANSI 117 and ASTM D3737.

R802.1.3 Structural log members. Structural log members shall comply with the provisions of ICC 400.

R802.1.4 Structural composite lumber. Structural capacities for structural composite lumber shall be established and monitored in accordance with ASTM D5456.

R802.1.5 Fire-retardant-treated wood. Fire-retardant-treated wood (FRTW) is any wood product that, when impregnated with chemicals by a pressure process or other means during manufacture, shall have, when tested in accordance with ASTM E84 or UL 723, a listed flame spread index of 25 or less and does not show evidence of significant progressive combustion where the test is continued for an additional 20-minute period. In addition, the flame front shall not progress more than 3200 mm (10.5 feet) beyond the center line of the burners at any time during the test.

R802.1.5.1 Pressure process. For wood products impregnated with chemicals by a pressure process, the process shall be performed in closed vessels under pressures not less than 344.7 kPa (50 pounds per square inch) gauge (psig).

R802.1.5.2 Other means during manufacture. For wood products produced by other means during manufacture the treatment shall be an integral part of the manufacturing process of the wood product. The treatment shall provide permanent protection to all surfaces of the wood product.

R802.1.5.3 Testing. For wood products produced by other means during manufacture, other than a pressure process, all sides of the wood product shall be tested in accordance with and produce the results required in Section R802.1.5. Testing of only the front and back faces of wood structural panels shall be permitted.

R802.1.5.4 Labeling. In addition to the labels required by Section 802.1.1 for sawn lumber and Section 803.2.1 for wood structural panels, each piece of *fire-retardant-treated* lumber and wood structural panel shall be labeled. The label shall contain:

1. The identification *mark* of an *approved agency* in accordance with Section 1703.5 of the *Jamaica Building Code*.
2. Identification of the treating manufacturer.
3. The name of the fire-retardant treatment.
4. The species of wood treated.

5. Flame spread index and smoke-developed index.
 6. Method of drying after treatment.
7. Conformance to applicable standards in accordance with Sections R802.1.5.5 through R802.1.5.10.
8. For FRTW exposed to weather, or a damp or wet location, the words “No increase in the listed classification when subjected to the Standard Rain Test” (ASTM D2898).

R802.1.5.5 Strength adjustments. Design values for untreated lumber and wood structural panels as specified in Section R802.1 shall be adjusted for fire-retardant-treated wood. Adjustments to design values shall be based on an *approved* method of investigation that takes into consideration the effects of the anticipated temperature and humidity to which the fire-retardant-treated wood will be subjected, the type of treatment and redrying procedures.

R802.1.5.6 Wood structural panels. The effect of treatment and the method of redrying after treatment, and exposure to high temperatures and high humidities on the flexure properties of fire-retardant-treated softwood plywood shall be determined in accordance with ASTM D5516. The test data developed by ASTM D5516 shall be used to develop adjustment factors, maximum loads and spans, or both for untreated plywood design values in accordance with ASTM D6305. Each manufacturer shall publish the allowable maximum loads and spans for service as floor and roof sheathing for their treatment.

R802.1.5.7 Lumber. For each species of wood treated, the effect of the treatment and the method of redrying after treatment and exposure to high temperatures and high humidities on the allowable design properties of fire-retardant-treated lumber shall be determined in accordance with ASTM D5664. The test data developed by ASTM D5664 shall be used to develop modification factors for use at or near room temperature and at elevated temperatures and humidity in accordance with ASTM D6841. Each manufacturer shall publish the modification factors for service at temperatures of not less than 27°C (80°F) and for roof framing. The roof framing modification factors shall take into consideration the climatological location.

R802.1.5.8 Exposure to weather. Where fire-retardant-treated wood is exposed to weather or damp or wet locations, it shall be identified as “Exterior” to indicate there is not an increase in the listed flame spread index as defined in Section R802.1.5 when subjected to ASTM D2898.

R802.1.5.9 Interior applications. Interior fire-retardant-treated wood shall have a moisture content of not over 28 percent when tested in accordance with ASTM D3201 procedures at 92-percent relative humidity. Interior fire-retardant-treated wood shall be tested in accordance with Section R802.1.5.6 or R802.1.5.7. Interior fire-retardant-treated wood designated as Type A shall be tested in accordance with the provisions of this section.

ance with Section R802.1.5.6 or R802.1.5.7. Interior fire-retardant-treated wood designated as Type A shall be tested in accordance with the provisions of this section.

R802.1.5.10 Moisture content. Fire-retardant-treated wood shall be dried to a moisture content of 19 percent or less for lumber and 15 percent or less for wood structural panels before use. For wood kiln dried after treatment (KDAT) the kiln temperatures shall not exceed those used in kiln drying the lumber and plywood submitted for the tests described in Section R802.1.5.6 for plywood and R802.1.5.7 for lumber.

R802.1.6 Cross-laminated timber. Cross-laminated timber shall be manufactured and identified as required by ANSI/APA PRG 320.

R802.1.7 Engineered wood rim board. Engineered wood rim boards shall conform to ANSI/APA PRR 410 or shall be evaluated in accordance with ASTM D7672. Structural capacities shall be in accordance with ANSI/APA PRR 410 or established in accordance with ASTM D7672. Rim boards conforming to ANSI/APA PRR 410 shall be marked in accordance with that standard.

R802.1.8 Prefabricated wood I-joists. Structural capacities and design provisions for prefabricated wood I-joists shall be established and monitored in accordance with ASTM D5055.

R802.2 Design and construction. The roof and ceiling assembly shall provide continuous ties across the structure to prevent roof thrust from being applied to the supporting walls. The assembly shall be designed and constructed in accordance with the provisions of this chapter and Figures R606.11(1), R606.11(2) and R606.11(3) or in accordance with AWC NDS.

R802.3 Ridge. A ridge board used to connect opposing rafters shall be not less than 25.4 mm (1 inch) nominal thickness and not less in depth than the cut end of the rafter. Where ceiling joist or rafter ties do not provide continuous ties across the structure, a ridge beam shall be provided and supported on each end by a wall or girder.

R802.4 Rafters. Rafters shall be in accordance with this section.

R802.4.1 Rafter size. Rafters shall be sized based on the rafter spans in Tables R802.4.1(1) through R802.4.1(8). Rafter spans shall be measured along the horizontal projection of the rafter. For other grades and species and for other loading conditions, refer to the AWC STJR.

R802.4.2 Framing details. Rafters shall be framed not more than 38 mm (1½ inches) offset from each other to a ridge board or directly opposite from each other with a collar tie, gusset plate or ridge strap in accordance with Table R602.3(1). Rafters shall be nailed to the top wall plates in accordance with Table R602.3(1) unless the roof assembly is required to comply with the uplift requirements of Section R802.11.

TABLE R802.4.1(1)
RAFTER SPANS FOR COMMON LUMBER SPECIES
 (Roof live load = 0.95 KPa , ceiling not attached to rafters, L/Δ = 180)

RAFTER SPACING (mm)	SPECIES AND GRADE		DEAD LOAD = 0,47 KPa					DEAD LOAD = 0.95 KPa				
			51 x 102	51 x 150	51 x 205	51 x 255	51 x 305	51 x102	51 x 150	51 x 205	51 x 255	51 x 305
			Maximum rafter spans ^a									
			(mm)	(mm)	(mm)	(mm)	(mm)	(mm)	(mm)	(mm)	(mm)	(mm)
305	Douglas fir-larch	SS	3500	5450	7250	Note b	Note b	3500	5450	7250	Note b	Note b
	Douglas fir-larch	#1	11-	5250	6800	Note b	Note b	3200	4650	5900	7200	Note b
	Douglas fir-larch	#2	3350	5100	6500	7900	Note b	3050	4450	5600	6850	7900
	Douglas fir-larch	#3	3300	3900	4950	6000	7000	2300	3350	4250	5200	6050
	Hem-fir	SS	2650	5150	6800	Note b	Note b	3300	5150	6800	Note b	Note b
	Hem-fir	#1	3300	5050	6700	Note b	Note b	3150	4600	5850	7100	Note b
	Hem-fir	#2	3200	4850	6300	7700	Note b	2950	4300	5450	6650	7750
	Hem-fir	#3	3050	3800	4800	5900	6850	2250	3300	4150	5100	5950
	Southern pine	SS	2600	5350	7100	Note b	Note b	3400	5350	7100	Note b	Note b
	Southern pine	#1	3400	5150	6800	Note b	Note b	3200	4750	6050	7050	Note b
	Southern pine	#2	3300	4750	5950	7150	Note b	9-0	4100	5200	6150	7250
	Southern pine	#3	3150	5150	4500	5450	6500	2750	3100	3900	4750	5600
	Spruce-pine-fir	SS	2450	5050	6650	Note b	Note b	3200	5050	6600	Note b	Note b
	Spruce-pine-fir	#1	3200	4950	6400	7800	Note b	2950	4350	5500	6750	7850
	Spruce-pine-fir	#2	3150	4950	6400	7800	Note b	2950	4350	5500	6750	7850
	Spruce-pine-fir	#3	3150	3800	4800	5900	6850	2250	3300	4150	5100	5950
405	Douglas fir-larch	SS	3150	5000	6550	Note b	Note b	3150	4950	6250	7650	Note b
	Douglas fir-larch	#1	3050	4650	5900	7200	Note b	2750	4000	5100	6250	7250
	Douglas fir-larch	#2	2950	4450	5600	685-	7900	2600	3850	4850	5950	6850
	Douglas fir-larch	#3	2300	3350	4250	5200	6050	2000	2950	3950	4550	5250
	Hem-fir	SS	2950	4200	6200	Note b	Note b	2950	4700	6050	7400	Note b
	Hem-fir	#1	2950	4600	5850	7100	Note b	2750	3950	5050	6200	7150
	Hem-fir	#2	2750	4300	5450	6650	7750	2550	3700	4700	5750	6700
	Hem-fir	#3	2250	3300	450	5100	5950	1950	2850	3600	4400	5100
	Southern pine	SS	3100	4900	6450	Note b	Note b	3100	4900	6450	7750	Note b
	Southern pine	#1	2950	4700	6050	7050	Note b	2750	4150	5200	6100	7250
	Southern pine	#2	2750	4100	5200	6150	7250	2350	3550	4450	5300	8700
	Southern pine	#3	2100	3100	3900	4750	5600	1800	2650	3400	4100	4850
	Spruce-pine-fir	SS	2950	4600	6050	7750	Note b	2950	4500	5750	7000	Note b
	Spruce-pine-fir	#1	2850	4350	5500	6750	7850	2550	3750	4800	5850	6800
	Spruce-pine-fir	#2	2850	4350	5500	6750	7850	2550	3750	4800	5850	6800
	Spruce-pine-fir	#3	2250	3300	4150	5100	5950	1950	2850	3600	4400	5100

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480	Douglas fir-larch	SS	2950	4700	6200	7900	Note b	2950	4500	5750	7000	Note b
	Douglas fir-larch	#1	2850	4250	5400	6600	7650	2550	3700	4650	5700	6650
	Douglas fir-larch	#2	2750	4050	5150	6250	7250	2350	3500	4450	5450	6300
	Douglas fir-larch	#3	2100	3100	3900	4750	5550	1800	8-9	3400	3850	4800
	Hem-fir	SS	2800	4450	5850	7450	Note b	2800	2650	5550	7050	7850
	Hem-fir	#1	2750	4200	5350	6500	7550	2450	3650	4600	5650	6550
	Hem-fir	#2	2650	3900	4950	6050	7050	2350	3400	4300	5250	6100
	Hem-fir	#3	2050	3000	3850	4650	5400	1750	2600	3300	4050	4700
	Southern pine	SS	2950	4600	6050	7750	Note b	2950	4600	5950	7100	Note b
	Southern pine	#1	2800	4350	5500	6450	7650	2550	3750	4750	5550	6650
	Southern pine	#2	2450	3700	4750	5650	6650	2150	3250	4100	4850	5750
	Southern pine	#3	1900	2850	3550	4350	5150	1650	2450	3100	3750	4450
	Spruce-pine-fir	SS	2750	4350	5700	7250	Note b	2750	4150	5250	6400	7400
	Spruce-pine-fir	#1	2650	3950	5050	6150	7150	2350	3450	4350	5350	6200
	Spruce-pine-fir	#2	2650	3950	5050	6150	7150	2350	3450	4350	5350	6200
	Spruce-pine-fir	#3	2050	3000	3850	4650	5400	1750	2600	3300	4050	4700

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TABLE R802.4.1(1)—continued
RAFTER SPANS FOR COMMON LUMBER SPECIES
 (Roof live load = 0.95 kPa, ceiling not attached to rafters, L/Δ = 180)

RAFTER SPACING (mm)	SPECIES AND GRADE		DEAD LOAD = 0.47 KPa					DEAD LOAD = 0.95 KPa				
			51 x 102	51 x 150	51 x 205	51 x 255	51 x 305	51 x 102	51 x 150	51 x 205	51 x 255	51 x 305
			Maximum rafter spans ^a									
			(mm)	(mm)	(mm)	(mm)	(mm)	(mm)	(mm)	(mm)	(mm)	(mm)
610	Douglas fir-larch	SS	2750	4350	5750	7250	Note b	2750	4050	5150	6250	7250
	Douglas fir-larch	#1	2600	3800	4800	5900	6850	2250	3300	4200	5100	5950
	Douglas fir-larch	#2	2450	3650	4600	5600	6500	2150	3150	3950	4850	6350
	Douglas fir-larch	#3	1850	2750	3500	4300	4950	1600	2350	3050	3700	4300
	Hem-fir	SS	2600	4100	5450	6950	Note b	2600	3900	4950	6050	7000
	Hem-fir	#1	2650	3750	4750	5850	6750	2250	3250	4150	5050	5850
	Hem-fir	#2	2400	3550	4450	5450	6300	2050	3050	3850	4700	5450
	Hem-fir	#3	1850	2650	3450	4150	4850	1600	2350	2950	3600	4200
	Southern pine	SS	2700	4250	5650	7200	Note b	2700	4200	5350	6350	7500
	Southern pine	#1	2600	3850	4950	5750	6850	2250	3350	4250	5000	5950
	Southern pine	#2	2250	3350	4250	5050	5950	1950	2900	3650	4350	5150
	Southern pine	#3	1750	2550	3200	3850	4600	1500	2200	2750	3350	3950
	Spruce-pine-fir	SS	2550	4050	5300	6600	7650	2550	3700	4650	5700	6600
	Spruce-pine-fir	#1	2450	3550	4500	5550	6400	2100	3100	3900	4750	5550
	Spruce-pine-fir	#2	2450	3550	4500	5550	6400	2100	3100	3900	4750	5550
	Spruce-pine-fir	#3	1850	2650	3450	4150	4850	1600	2350	2950	3600	4200

Check sources for availability of lumber in lengths greater than 6,100 mm (20 feet).

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 kPa = 20.89 pound per square foot.

- a. The tabulated rafter spans assume that ceiling joists are located at the bottom of the attic space or that some other method of resisting the outward push of the rafters on the bearing walls, such as rafter ties, is provided at that location. Where ceiling joists or rafter ties are located higher in the attic space, the rafter spans shall be multiplied by the following factors:

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1/3	0.67
1/4	0.76
1/5	0.83
1/6	0.90
1/7.5 or less	1.00

where:

H_C = Height of ceiling joists or rafter ties measured vertically above the top of the rafter support walls.

H_R = Height of roof ridge measured vertically above the top of the rafter support walls.

b. Span exceeds 7,924 mm (26 feet) in length.

TABLE R802.4.1(2)
RAFTER SPANS FOR COMMON LUMBER SPECIES
 (Roof live load = 0.95 KPa , ceiling attached to rafters, L/Δ = 240)

RAFTER SPACING (mm)	SPECIES AND GRADE	DEAD LOAD = 0.47 KPa					DEAD LOAD = 0.95 KPa				
		51 x 102	51 x 150	51 x 205	51 x 255	51 x 305	51 x 102	51 x 150	51 x 205	51 x 255	51 x 305
		Maximum rafter spans ^a									
		(mm)	(mm)	(mm)	(mm)	(mm)	(mm)	(feet - inches)	(feet - inches)	(feet - inches)	
305	Douglas fir-larch SS	3150	4950	6550	Note b	Note b	3150	4950	6550	Note b	Note b
	Douglas fir-larch #1	3050	4800	6350	Note b	Note b	3050	4650	5900	7250	Note b
	Douglas fir-larch #2	3000	4700	6200	7900	Note b	3000	4450	5600	6850	7900
	Douglas fir-larch #3	2650	3900	4950	6050	7000	2300	3350	4300	5232	6050
	Hem-fir SS	3000	4700	6200	Note b	Note b	3000	4700	6200	Note b	Note b
	Hem-fir #1	2950	4600	6050	7750	Note b	2950	4600	5850	7150	Note b
	Hem-fir #2	2300	4400	5800	7400	Note b	2800	4300	5450	6650	7750
	Hem-fir #3	2800	3800	5750	5900	6850	2250	3000	4200	5100	5950
	Southern pine SS	3100	4900	6450	Note b	Note b	3100	4900	6450	Note b	Note b
	Southern pine #1	3000	4700	6200	Note b	Note b	3000	4700	6050	7050	Note b
	Southern pine #2	2850	4500	5950	7150	Note b	2750	4100	5200	6150	7250
	Southern pine #3	2450	3550	4500	5450	6500	2100	3100	3900	4750	5650
	Spruce-pine-fir SS	2950	4600	6050	7750	Note b	2950	4600	3000	7750	Note b
	Spruce-pine-fir #1	2850	4500	5950	7550	Note b	2850	4350	5550	6750	7850
	Spruce-pine-fir #2	2850	4500	5950	7550	Note b	2850	4350	5550	6750	7850
	Spruce-pine-fir #3	2600	3800	4800	5900	6850	2250	3300	4200	5100	5950

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405	Douglas fir-larch	SS	2900	4550	5950	7600	Note b	2850	4550	5950	7600	Note b
	Douglas fir-larch	#1	2750	4350	5750	7250	Note b	2750	4050	5150	7600	7250
	Douglas fir-larch	#2	2700	4250	5600	6850	7900	2600	3850	4850	5950	6850
	Douglas fir-larch	#3	2300	3350	4250	5250	6050	2000	2950	3700	4550	5250
	Hem-fir	SS	2700	4250	5650	7200	Note b	2700	4250	5650	7200	Note b
	Hem-fir	#1	2650	4150	5500	7050	Note b	2650	3950	5050	6200	7150
	Hem-fir	#2	2550	3950	5250	6650	7750	2550	3750	4700	5750	6700
	Hem-fir	#3	2250	3300	4150	5100	5950	1950	2850	3650	4400	5150
	Southern pine	SS	2850	4450	5850	7450	Note b	2850	4450	5850	7450	Note b
	Southern pine	#1	2700	4150	5650	7050	Note b	2700	4150	5250	6100	7250
	Southern pine	#2	2600	4050	5200	6150	7250	2350	3550	4500	5350	6300
	Southern pine	#3	2100	3100	3900	4750	5650	1800	2650	3400	4100	4850
	Spruce-pine-fir	SS	2650	4150	5500	7050	Note b	2650	4150	5500	7000	Note b
	Spruce-pine-fir	#1	2600	4050	5400	6750	7850	2550	3750	4800	5850	6800
	Spruce-pine-fir	#2	2600	4050	5400	6750	7850	2550	3750	4800	5850	6800
	Spruce-pine-fir	#3	2250	3300	4150	5100	5950	1950	2850	3650	4400	5150
480	Douglas fir-larch	SS	2700	4250	5600	7150	Note b	2700	4250	5600	7000	Note b
	Douglas fir-larch	#1	2600	4100	5400	6600	6750	2550	3700	4600	5700	6650
	Douglas fir-larch	#2	2550	4050	5150	6250	7250	2350	3500	4450	5450	6300
	Douglas fir-larch	#3	2100	3100	3900	4750	5550	1800	2650	3400	4150	4800
	Hem-fir	SS	2550	4050	5300	6750	Note b	2550	4050	5300	6750	7850
	Hem-fir	#1	2500	3950	5200	6550	7550	2450	3650	4600	5650	6550
	Hem-fir	#2	2850	3750	4950	6050	7050	2350	3400	4300	5250	6100
Hem-fir	#3	2050	3000	3850	4650	5400	1750	2600	3300	4050	4700	

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TABLE R802.4.1(2)—continued
RAFTER SPANS FOR COMMON LUMBER SPECIES
 (Roof live load = 0.95 KPa , ceiling attached to rafters, L/Δ = 240)

RAFTER SPACING (mm)	SPECIES AND GRADE		DEAD LOAD = 0.47 KPa					DEAD LOAD = 0.95 KPa				
			51 x 102	51 x 150	51 x 205	51 x 255	51 x 305	51 x 102	51 x 150	51 x 205	51 x 255	51 x 305
			Maximum rafter spans ^a									
			(mm)	(mm)	(mm)	(mm)	(mm)	(mm)	(mm)	(mm)	(mm)	(mm)
480	Southern pine	SS	2650	4150	5550	7050	Note b	2650	4150	5550	7050	Note b
	Southern pine	#1	2550	4050	5300	6450	7650	2550	3750	4750	5550	6650
	Southern pine	#2	2450	3750	4750	5650	6600	2150	3250	4100	4850	5750
	Southern pine	#3	1950	2850	3550	4350	2050	1650	2450	3100	3750	4450
	Spruce-pine-fir	SS	25000	3950	5200	6600	Note b	2500	3950	5200	6400	7400
	Spruce-pine-fir	#1	2450	3850	5050	6150	7150	2350	3450	4350	5350	6200
	Spruce-pine-fir	#2	2450	3850	5050	6150	7150	2350	3450	4350	5350	6200
	Spruce-pine-fir	#3	2050	3000	3850	4350	5400	1750	2600	3300	4050	4700
610	Douglas fir-larch	SS	2500	3950	5250	6650	Note b	2500	3950	5150	6250	7250
	Douglas fir-larch	#1	2450	3800	4800	5900	6850	2250	3300	4200	5100	5950
	Douglas fir-larch	#2	2350	3650	4600	5600	6500	2150	3150	3950	4850	5650
	Douglas fir-larch	#3	1850	2750	3500	4300	4950	1600	7-10	3050	3700	4250
	Hem-fir	SS	2350	3750	4900	6300	7650	2350	2350	4900	6050	7000
	Hem-fir	#1	2350	650	4750	5850	6750	2250	3250	4150	5050	5850
	Hem-fir	#2	2200	3450	4450	5550	6300	2050	3050	3850	4700	5450
	Hem-fir	#3	1850	2650	3400	4150	4850	1600	2350	2950	3600	4200
	Southern pine	SS	2450	3850	5100	6550	Note b	2450	3850	5150	6350	7500
	Southern pine	#1	2350	3750	4900	5750	6850	2250	3350	4250	5000	5950
	Southern pine	#2	2250	3350	4250	5000	5950	1950	2900	3650	4350	5150
	Southern pine	#3	1700	2550	3200	3850	4600	1500	2200	2750	3350	3950
	Spruce-pine-fir	SS	2350	3650	4800	6150	7450	2350	3650	4750	5700	6600
	Spruce-pine-fir	#1	2250	3550	4500	5550	6400	2100	3100	3900	4750	5550
	Spruce-pine-fir	#2	2250	3550	4500	5550	6400	2100	3100	3900	4750	5550
	Spruce-pine-fir	#3	1850	2650	3400	4150	4850	1600	2350	2950	3600	4200

Check sources for availability of lumber in lengths greater than 6,100 mm (20 feet).

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 kPa = 20.89 pound per square foot.

a. The tabulated rafter spans assume that ceiling joists are located at the bottom of the attic space or that some other method of resisting the outward push of the rafters on the bearing walls, such as rafter ties, is provided at that location. Where ceiling joists or rafter ties are located higher in the attic space, the rafter spans shall be multiplied by the following factors:

TABLE R802.4.1(3) NA

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TABLE R802.4.1(3)—continued NA

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1/3	0.67
1/4	0.76
1/5	0.83
1/6	0.90
1/7.5 or less	1.00

where:

H_c = Height of ceiling joists or rafter ties measured vertically above the top of the rafter support walls.

H_R = Height of roof ridge measured vertically above the top of the rafter support walls.

b. Span exceeds 26 feet in length.

TABLE R802.4.1(4) NA
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TABLE R802.4.1(4)—continued NA

H_C/H_R	Rafter Span Adjustment Factor
1/3	0.67
1/4	0.76
1/5	0.83
1/6	0.90
1/7.5 or less	1.00

where:

H_C = Height of ceiling joists or rafter ties measured vertically above the top of the rafter support walls.

H_R = Height of roof ridge measured vertically above the top of the rafter support walls.

b. Span exceeds 26 feet in length.

TABLE R802.4.1(5) NA
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TABLE R802.4.1(5)—continued NA

H_C/H_R	Rafter Span Adjustment Factor
1/3	0.67
1/4	0.76
1/5	0.83
1/6	0.90
1/7.5 or less	1.00

where:

H_C = Height of ceiling joists or rafter ties measured vertically above the top of the rafter support walls.

H_R = Height of roof ridge measured vertically above the top of the rafter support walls.

b. Span exceeds 26 feet in length.

TABLE R802.4.1(6) NA
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TABLE R802.4.1(6)—continued NA

TABLE R802.4.1(7) NA
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TABLE R802.4.1(7)—continued NA

TABLE R802.4.1(2)
RAFTER SPANS FOR COMMON LUMBER SPECIES
 (Roof live load = 0.95 KPa , ceiling attached to rafters, L/Δ = 240)

RAFTER SPACING (mm)	SPECIES AND GRADE		DEAD LOAD = 0.47 KPa					DEAD LOAD = 0.95 KPa				
			51 x 102	51 x 150	51 x 205	51 x 255	51 x 305	51 x 102	51 x 150	51 x 205	51 x 255	51 x 305
			Maximum rafter spans ^a									
			(mm)	(mm)	(mm)	(mm)	(mm)	(mm)	(mm)	(feet - inches)	(feet - inches)	(feet - inches)
305	Douglas fir-larch	SS	3150	4950	6550	Note b	Note b	3150	4950	6550	Note b	Note b
	Douglas fir-larch	#1	3050	4800	6350	Note b	Note b	3050	4650	5900	7250	Note b
	Douglas fir-larch	#2	3000	4700	6200	7900	Note b	3000	4450	5600	6850	7900
	Douglas fir-larch	#3	2650	3900	4950	6050	7000	2300	3350	4300	5232	6050
	Hem-fir	SS	3000	4700	6200	Note b	Note b	3000	4700	6200	Note b	Note b
	Hem-fir	#1	2950	4600	6050	7750	Note b	2950	4600	5850	7150	Note b
	Hem-fir	#2	2300	4400	5800	7400	Note b	2800	4300	5450	6650	7750
	Hem-fir	#3	2800	3800	5750	5900	6850	2250	3000	4200	5100	5950
	Southern pine	SS	3100	4900	6450	Note b	Note b	3100	4900	6450	Note b	Note b
	Southern pine	#1	3000	4700	6200	Note b	Note b	3000	4700	6050	7050	Note b
	Southern pine	#2	2850	4500	5950	7150	Note b	2750	4100	5200	6150	7250
	Southern pine	#3	2450	3550	4500	5450	6500	2100	3100	3900	4750	5650
	Spruce-pine-fir	SS	2950	4600	6050	7750	Note b	2950	4600	3000	7750	Note b
	Spruce-pine-fir	#1	2850	4500	5950	7550	Note b	2850	4350	5550	6750	7850
	Spruce-pine-fir	#2	2850	4500	5950	7550	Note b	2850	4350	5550	6750	7850
Spruce-pine-fir	#3	2600	3800	4800	5900	6850	2250	3300	4200	5100	5950	
405	Douglas fir-larch	SS	2900	4550	5950	7600	Note b	2850	4550	5950	7600	Note b
	Douglas fir-larch	#1	2750	4350	5750	7250	Note b	2750	4050	5150	7600	7250
	Douglas fir-larch	#2	2700	4250	5600	6850	7900	2600	3850	4850	5950	6850
	Douglas fir-larch	#3	2300	3350	4250	5250	6050	2000	2950	3700	4550	5250
	Hem-fir	SS	2700	4250	5650	7200	Note b	2700	4250	5650	7200	Note b
	Hem-fir	#1	2650	4150	5500	7050	Note b	2650	3950	5050	6200	7150
	Hem-fir	#2	2550	3950	5250	6650	7750	2550	3750	4700	5750	6700
	Hem-fir	#3	2250	3300	4150	5100	5950	1950	2850	3650	4400	5150
	Southern pine	SS	2850	4450	5850	7450	Note b	2850	4450	5850	7450	Note b
	Southern pine	#1	2700	4150	5650	7050	Note b	2700	4150	5250	6100	7250
	Southern pine	#2	2600	4050	5200	6150	7250	2350	3550	4500	5350	6300
	Southern pine	#3	2100	3100	3900	4750	5650	1800	2650	3400	4100	4850
	Spruce-pine-fir	SS	2650	4150	5500	7050	Note b	2650	4150	5500	7000	Note b
	Spruce-pine-fir	#1	2600	4050	5400	6750	7850	2550	3750	4800	5850	6800
	Spruce-pine-fir	#2	2600	4050	5400	6750	7850	2550	3750	4800	5850	6800
Spruce-pine-fir	#3	2250	3300	4150	5100	5950	1950	2850	3650	4400	5150	
480	Douglas fir-larch	SS	2700	4250	5600	7150	Note b	2700	4250	5600	7000	Note b
	Douglas fir-larch	#1	2600	4100	5400	6600	6750	2550	3700	4600	5700	6650
	Douglas fir-larch	#2	2550	4050	5150	6250	7250	2350	3500	4450	5450	6300
	Douglas fir-larch	#3	2100	3100	3900	4750	5550	1800	2650	3400	4150	4800
	Hem-fir	SS	2550	4050	5300	6750	Note b	2550	4050	5300	6750	7850
	Hem-fir	#1	2500	3950	5200	6550	7550	2450	3650	4600	5650	6550
	Hem-fir	#2	2850	3750	4950	6050	7050	2350	3400	4300	5250	6100
	Hem-fir	#3	2050	3000	3850	4650	5400	1750	2600	3300	4050	4700

TABLE R802.4.1(2)—continued
RAFTER SPANS FOR COMMON LUMBER SPECIES
 (Roof live load = 0.95 KPa , ceiling attached to rafters, L/Δ = 240)

RAFTER SPACING (mm)	SPECIES AND GRADE		DEAD LOAD = 0.47 KPa					DEAD LOAD = 0.95 KPa				
			51 x 102	51 x 150	51 x 205	51 x 255	51 x 305	51 x 102	51 x 150	51 x 205	51 x 255	51 x 305
			Maximum rafter spans ^a									
			(mm)	(mm)	(mm)	(mm)	(mm)	(mm)	(mm)	(mm)	(mm)	(mm)
480	Southern pine	SS	2650	4150	5550	7050	Note b	2650	4150	5550	7050	Note b
	Southern pine	#1	2550	4050	5300	6450	7650	2550	3750	4750	5550	6650
	Southern pine	#2	2450	3750	4750	5650	6600	2150	3250	4100	4850	5750
	Southern pine	#3	1950	2850	3550	4350	2050	1650	2450	3100	3750	4450
	Spruce-pine-fir	SS	25000	3950	5200	6600	Note b	2500	3950	5200	6400	7400
	Spruce-pine-fir	#1	2450	3850	5050	6150	7150	2350	3450	4350	5350	6200
	Spruce-pine-fir	#2	2450	3850	5050	6150	7150	2350	3450	4350	5350	6200
	Spruce-pine-fir	#3	2050	3000	3850	4350	5400	1750	2600	3300	4050	4700
610	Douglas fir-larch	SS	2500	3950	5250	6650	Note b	2500	3950	5150	6250	7250
	Douglas fir-larch	#1	2450	3800	4800	5900	6850	2250	3300	4200	5100	5950
	Douglas fir-larch	#2	2350	3650	4600	5600	6500	2150	3150	3950	4850	5650
	Douglas fir-larch	#3	1850	2750	3500	4300	4950	1600	7-10	3050	3700	4250
	Hem-fir	SS	2350	3750	4900	6300	7650	2350	2350	4900	6050	7000
	Hem-fir	#1	2350	650	4750	5850	6750	2250	3250	4150	5050	5850
	Hem-fir	#2	2200	3450	4450	5550	6300	2050	3050	3850	4700	5450
	Hem-fir	#3	1850	2650	3400	4150	4850	1600	2350	2950	3600	4200
	Southern pine	SS	2450	3850	5100	6550	Note b	2450	3850	5150	6350	7500
	Southern pine	#1	2350	3750	4900	5750	6850	2250	3350	4250	5000	5950
	Southern pine	#2	2250	3350	4250	5000	5950	1950	2900	3650	4350	5150
	Southern pine	#3	1700	2550	3200	3850	4600	1500	2200	2750	3350	3950
	Spruce-pine-fir	SS	2350	3650	4800	6150	7450	2350	3650	4750	5700	6600
	Spruce-pine-fir	#1	2250	3550	4500	5550	6400	2100	3100	3900	4750	5550
	Spruce-pine-fir	#2	2250	3550	4500	5550	6400	2100	3100	3900	4750	5550
	Spruce-pine-fir	#3	1850	2650	3400	4150	4850	1600	2350	2950	3600	4200

Check sources for availability of lumber in lengths greater than 6096 mm (20 feet).

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm= 0.03937 inch , 1 mm= 0.00328 foot , 1 KPa= 20.89 pound per square foot .

a. The tabulated rafter spans assume that ceiling joists are located at the bottom of the attic space or that some other method of resisting the outward push of the

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where:

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H_r = Height of roof ridge measured vertically above the top of the rafter support walls.

b. Span exceeds 26 feet in length.

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rafters on the bearing walls, such as rafter ties, is provided at that location. Where ceiling joists or rafter ties are located higher in the attic space, the rafter spans shall be multiplied by the following factors:

TABLE R802.4.1(3) NA
(continued)

H_c/H_r	Rafter Span Adjustment Factor
1/3	0.67
1/4	0.76
1/5	0.83
1/6	0.90
1/7.5 or less	1.00

where:

H_c = Height of ceiling joists or rafter ties measured vertically above the top of the rafter support walls.

H_r = Height of roof ridge measured vertically above the top of the rafter support walls.

b. Span exceeds 26 feet in length.

TABLE R802.4.1(3)—continued NA
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TABLE R802.4.1(4) NA
(continued)

H_c/H_R	Rafter Span Adjustment Factor
1/3	0.67
1/4	0.76
1/5	0.83
1/6	0.90
1/7.5 or less	1.00

where:

H_c = Height of ceiling joists or rafter ties measured vertically above the top of the rafter support walls.

H_R = Height of roof ridge measured vertically above the top of the rafter support walls.

b. Span exceeds 26 feet in length.

TABLE R802.4.1(4)—continued NA

H_C/H_R	Rafter Span Adjustment Factor
1/3	0.67
1/4	0.76
1/5	0.83
1/6	0.90
1/7.5 or less	1.00

where:

H_C = Height of ceiling joists or rafter ties measured vertically above the top of the rafter support walls.

H_R = Height of roof ridge measured vertically above the top of the rafter support walls.

b. Span exceeds 26 feet in length.

TABLE R802.4.1(5) NA
(continued)

TABLE R802.4.1(5)—continued NA

H_C/H_R	Rafter Span Adjustment Factor
1/3	0.67
1/4	0.76
1/5	0.83
1/6	0.90
1/7.5 or less	1.00

where:

H_C = Height of ceiling joists or rafter ties measured vertically above the top of the rafter support walls.

H_R = Height of roof ridge measured vertically above the top of the rafter support walls.

b. Span exceeds 26 feet in length.

TABLE R802.4.1(6) NA
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TABLE R802.4.1(6)—continued NA

TABLE R802.4.1(7) NA
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R802.4.1(7)—continued NA

TABLE R802.4.1(8) NA
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TABLE R802.4.1(8)—continued NA

R802.4.3 Hips and valleys. Hip and valley rafters shall be not less than 51 mm (2 inches) nominal in thickness and not less in depth than the cut end of the rafter. Hip and valley rafters shall be supported at the ridge by a brace to a bearing partition or be designed to carry and distribute the specific load at that point.

R802.4.4 Rafter supports. Where the roof pitch is less than 3:12 (25-percent slope), structural members that support rafters, such as ridges, hips and valleys, shall be designed as beams, and bearing shall be provided for rafters in accordance with Section R802.6.

R802.4.5 Purlins. Installation of purlins to reduce the span of rafters is permitted as shown in Figure R802.4.5. Purlins shall be sized not less than the required size of the rafters that they support. Purlins shall be continuous and shall be supported by 51 mm by 100 mm (2-inch by 4-inch) braces installed to bearing walls at a slope not less than 45 degrees (0.79 rad) from the horizontal. The braces shall be spaced not more than 1,200 mm (4 feet) on center and the unbraced length of braces shall not exceed 2,450 mm (8 feet).

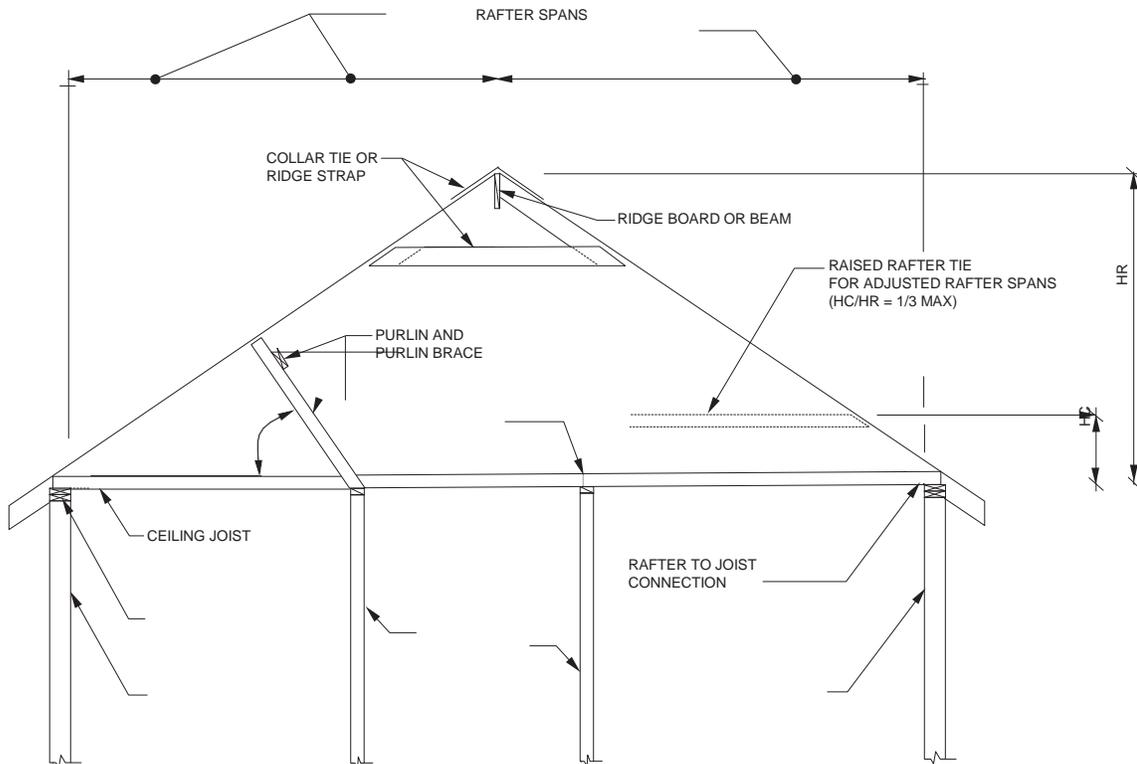
R802.4.6 Collar ties. Where collar ties are used to connect opposing rafters, they shall be located in the upper third of the *attic* space and fastened in accordance with Table R602.3(1). Collar ties shall be not less than 25 mm by 100 mm (1 inch by 4 inches) nominal, spaced not more

than 1,220 mm (4 feet) on center. Ridge straps in accordance with Table R602.3(1) shall be permitted to replace collar ties.

R802.5 Ceiling joists. Ceiling joists shall be continuous across the structure or securely joined where they meet over interior partitions in accordance with Table R802.5.2.

R802.5.1 Ceiling joist size. Ceiling joists shall be sized based on the joist spans in Tables R802.5.1(1) and R802.5.1(2). For other grades and species and for other loading conditions, refer to the AWC STJR.

R802.5.2 Ceiling joist and rafter connections. Where ceiling joists run parallel to rafters, they shall be connected to rafters at the top wall plate in accordance with Table R802.5.2. Where ceiling joists are not connected to the rafters at the top wall plate, they shall be installed in the bottom third of the rafter height in accordance with Figure R802.4.5 and Table R802.5.2. Where the ceiling joists are installed above the bottom third of the rafter height, the ridge shall be designed as a beam. Where ceiling joists do not run parallel to rafters, the ceiling joists shall be connected to top plates in accordance with Table R602.3(1). Each rafter shall be tied across the structure with a rafter tie or a 51 mm by 100 mm (2-inch by 4-inch) kicker connected to the ceiling diaphragm with nails equivalent in capacity to Table R802.5.2.



For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 degree = 0.018 rad.

H_C = Height of ceiling joists or rafter ties measured vertically above the top of rafter support walls.

H_R = Height of roof ridge measured vertically above the top of the rafter support walls.

FIGURE R802.4.5
BRACED RAFTER CONSTRUCTION

ROOF-CEILING CONSTRUCTION

TABLE R802.5.1(1)
CEILING JOIST SPANS FOR COMMON LUMBER SPECIES
(Uninhabitable attics without storage, live load = 0.47 KPa , L/Δ = 240)

CEILING JOIST SPACING (mm)	SPECIES AND GRADE	DEAD LOAD = 0.23 KPa			
		51 x 102	51 x 150	51 x 205	251 x 255
		Maximum ceiling joist spans			
		(mm)	(mm)	(mm)	(mm)
305	Douglas fir-larch SS	4000	6300	Note a	Note a
	Douglas fir-larch #1	3850	6050	Note a	Note a
	Douglas fir-larch #2	3750	5950	7800	Note a
	Douglas fir-larch #3	3350	4950	6250	7650
	Hem-fir SS	3750	5950	7800	Note a
	Hem-fir #1	3700	5800	6750	Note a
	Hem-fir #2	3550	5550	7300	Note a
	Hem-fir #3	3300	4800	6100	7450
	Southern pine SS	33950	6150	Note a	Note a
	Southern pine #1	3750	5950	7800	Note a
	Southern pine #2	3600	5650	7450	Note a
	Southern pine #3	3050	4550	5700	6950
	Spruce-pine-fir SS	3700	5800	7650	Note a
	Spruce-pine-fir #1	3600	5650	7450	Note a
	Spruce-pine-fir #2	3600	5650	7450	Note a
	Spruce-pine-fir #3	3300	4800	6100	7450
405	Douglas fir-larch SS	3650	5700	7500	Note a
	Douglas fir-larch #1	3500	5500	7250	Note a
	Douglas fir-larch #2	3400	5350	7100	Note a
	Douglas fir-larch #3	2900	4250	5450	6600
	Hem-fir SS	3400	5350	7100	Note a
	Hem-fir #1	3350	5250	6950	Note a
	Hem-fir #2	3200	5000	6600	Note a
	Hem-fir #3	2850	4150	5300	6450
	Southern pine SS	3550	5600	7350	Note a
	Southern pine #1	3400	5350	7250	Note a
	Southern pine #2	3250	5150	6550	7800
	Southern pine #3	2650	3950	4950	6000
	Spruce-pine-fir SS	3350	5250	6950	Note a
	Spruce-pine-fir #1	3250	5150	6800	Note a
	Spruce-pine-fir #2	3250	5150	6800	Note a
	Spruce-pine-fir #3	2850	4150	5300	6450

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TABLE R802.5.1(1)—continued
CEILING JOIST SPANS FOR COMMON LUMBER SPECIES
(Uninhabitable attics without storage, live load =0.47 KPa , L/Δ = 240)

CEILING JOIST SPACING (mm)	SPECIES AND GRADE		DEAD LOAD = 0.23 KPa			
			51 x 102	51 x 150	51 x 205	51 x 255
			Maximum ceiling joist spans			
			(mm)	(mm)	(mm)	(mm)
480	Douglas fir-larch	SS	3400	5450	7050	Note a
	Douglas fir-larch	#1	3300	5150	6850	Note a
	Douglas fir-larch	#2	3200	5050	6500	7900
	Douglas fir-larch	#3	2650	3900	4950	6050
	Hem-fir	SS	3200	5050	6650	Note a
	Hem-fir	#1	3150	4950	6550	Note a
	Hem-fir	#2	3000	4750	6250	7650
	Hem-fir	#3	2600	3800	4800	5900
	Southern -pine	SS	3350	5250	6950	Note a
	Southern pine	#1	3200	5050	6700	Note a
	Southern pine	#2	3100	4750	5950	7150
	Southern pine	#3	2450	3550	4100	5450
	Spruce-pine-fir	SS	3150	4950	6550	Note a
	Spruce-pine-fir	#1	3100	4850	6400	7800
	Spruce-pine-fir	#2	3100	4850	6400	7800
	Spruce-pine-fir	#3	2600	3800	4800	5900
610	Douglas fir-larch	SS	5900	4950	6550	Note a
	Douglas fir-larch	#1	3050	4800	6100	7650
	Douglas fir-larch	#2	2300	4550	5800	7050
	Douglas fir-larch	#3	250	3500	4450	8450
	Hem-fir	SS	2300	4700	6200	Note a
	Hem-fir	#1	2950	4600	6050	7350
	Hem-fir	#2	2750	4350	5650	6850
	Hem-fir	#3	2350	3400	4300	5250
	Southern pine	SS	3100	4900	6450	Note a
	Southern pine	#1	2300	4700	6200	7300
	Southern pine	#2	2800	4250	5350	6350
	Southern pine	#3	2150	3200	4050	4900
	Spruce-pine-fir	SS	2950	4600	6050	7750
	Spruce-pine-fir	9-5	2850	4500	5700	6950
	Spruce-pine-fir	#2	2850	4500	5700	6950
	Spruce-pine-fir	#3	2350	3400	4300	5250

Check sources for availability of lumber in lengths greater than 6,100 mm (20 feet).

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 m = 0.00328 foot, 1 kPa= 20.89 pound per square foot.

a. Span exceeds 7900 mm (26 feet) in length.

ROOF-CEILING CONSTRUCTION

TABLE R802.5.1(2)
CEILING JOIST SPANS FOR COMMON LUMBER SPECIES
 (Uninhabitable attics with limited storage, live load = 0.96 KPa, L/Δ = 240)

CEILING JOIST SPACING (mm)	SPECIES AND GRADE		DEAD LOAD = 0.48 KPa			
			51 x 102	51 x 150	51 x 205	51 x 255
			Maximum ceiling joist spans			
			(mm)	(mm)	(mm)	(mm)
305	Douglas fir-larch	SS	3150	4950	6550	Note a
	Douglas fir-larch	#1	3050	4800	6100	7450
	Douglas fir-larch	#2	3000	4550	5800	7050
	Douglas fir-larch	#3	2350	3500	4450	5400
	Hem-fir	SS	3000	4700	6200	Note a
	Hem-fir	#1	2950	4600	6050	7430
	Hem-fir	#2	2750	4350	5650	6850
	Hem-fir	#3	2350	3400	4300	5250
	Southern pine	SS	3100	4900	6450	Note a
	Southern pine	#1	3000	4700	6200	7300
	Southern pine	#2	2800	4250	5350	6350
	Southern pine	#3	2150	3200	4050	4900
	Spruce-pine-fir	SS	2950	4600	6050	7750
	Spruce-pine-fir	#1	2850	4500	5700	6950
	Spruce-pine-fir	#2	2850	4500	5700	6950
	Spruce-pine-fir	#3	2350	3400	4300	5250
405	Douglas fir-larch	SS	2900	4550	5950	7600
	Douglas fir-larch	#1	2750	4200	5300	6450
	Douglas fir-larch	#2	2700	3950	5000	6150
	Douglas fir-larch	#3	2050	3000	5850	4700
	Hem-fir	SS	2700	4250	5650	7200
	Hem-fir	#1	2650	4150	5250	6400
	Hem-fir	#2	2550	3850	4850	5950
	Hem-fir	#3	2050	2950	3750	4550
	Southern pine	SS	2850	4450	5850	7450
	Southern pine	#1	2700	4250	5400	6300
	Southern pine	#2	2450	3650	4650	5500
	Southern pine	#3	1850	2750	3500	4250
	Spruce-pine-fir	SS	2650	4200	5500	7050
	Spruce-pine-fir	#1	2600	3900	4950	6050
	Spruce-pine-fir	#2	2600	3900	4950	6050
	Spruce-pine-fir	#3	2050	2950	3750	4550

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TABLE R802.5.1(2)—continued
CEILING JOIST SPANS FOR COMMON LUMBER SPECIES
 (Uninhabitable attics with limited storage, live load = 0.96 KPa, L/Δ = 240)

CEILING JOIST SPACING (mm)	SPECIES AND GRADE		DEAD LOAD = 0.48 KPa			
			51 × 102	51 × 150	51 × 205	51 × 255
			Maximum ceiling joist spans			
			(mm)	(mm)	(mm)	(mm)
480	Douglas fir-larch	SS	2700	4250	5600	7150
	Douglas fir-larch	#1	2600	3800	4800	5900
	Douglas fir-larch	#2	2450	3650	4600	5600
	Douglas fir-larch	#3	1850	2750	3500	4250
	Hem-fir	SS	2550	4050	5300	6750
	Hem-fir	#1	2500	3750	4750	5850
	Hem-fir	#2	2350	3550	4450	5450
	Hem-fir	#3	1850	2650	3400	4150
	Southern pine	SS	2650	4200	5550	7050
	Southern pine	#1	2550	3850	4900	5750
	Southern pine	#2	2250	3350	4250	5050
	Southern pine	#3	1700	2550	3200	3850
	Spruce-pine-fir	SS	2500	3950	5200	6600
	Spruce-pine-fir	#1	2450	3550	4500	5550
	Spruce-pine-fir	#2	2450	3550	4500	5550
	Spruce-pine-fir	#3	1850	2650	3400	4150
610	Douglas fir-larch	SS	2500	3950	5250	6450
	Douglas fir-larch	#1	2350	3400	4300	5250
	Douglas fir-larch	#2	2200	3250	4100	5000
	Douglas fir-larch	#3	1700	2450	3100	3850
	Hem-fir	SS	2350	3750	4900	6250
	Hem-fir	#1	2300	3350	4250	5200
	Hem-fir	#2	2150	3150	3950	4750
	Hem-fir	#3	1650	2400	3050	3750
	Southern pine	SS	2450	3850	5150	6550
	Southern pine	#1	2350	3450	4400	5150
	Southern pine	#2	2000	3000	3800	4500
	Southern pine	#3	1550	2250	2850	3450
	Spruce-pine-fir	SS	2350	3650	4800	5900
	Spruce-pine-fir	#1	2150	3200	4050	4950
	Spruce-pine-fir	#2	2150	3200	4050	4950
	Spruce-pine-fir	#3	1650	2400	3050	3750

Check sources for availability of lumber in lengths greater than 6,100 mmm (20 feet).

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 kPa= 20.89 pound per square foot.

a. Span exceeds 7,900 mm (26 feet) in length.

TABLE R802.5.2 NA

R802.5.2.1 Ceiling joists lapped. Ends of ceiling joists shall be lapped not less than 76 mm (3 inches) or butted over bearing partitions or beams and toenailed to the bearing member. Where ceiling joists are used to provide resistance to rafter thrust, lapped joists shall be nailed together in accordance with Table R802.5.2 and butted joists shall be tied together in a manner to resist such thrust. Joists that do not resist thrust shall be permitted to be nailed in accordance with Table R602.3(1). Wood structural panel roof sheathing, in accordance with Table R503.2.1.1(1), shall not cantilever more than 230 mm (9 inches) beyond the gable endwall unless supported by gable overhang framing.

R802.5.2.2 Rafter ties. Wood rafter ties shall be not less than 51 mm by 100 mm (2 inches by 4 inches) installed in accordance with Table R802.5.2 at each rafter. Other approved rafter tie methods shall be permitted.

R802.5.2.3 Blocking. Blocking shall be not less than utility grade lumber.

R802.6 Bearing. The ends of each rafter or ceiling joist shall have not less than 38 mm (1½ inches) of bearing on wood or metal and not less than 76 mm (3 inches) on masonry or concrete. The bearing on masonry or concrete shall be direct, or a sill plate of 51 mm (2-inch) minimum nominal thickness shall be provided under the rafter or ceiling joist. The sill plate shall provide a minimum nominal bearing area of 30,865 mm² (48 square inches).

R802.6.1 Finished ceiling material. If the finished ceiling material is installed on the ceiling prior to the attachment of the ceiling to the walls, such as in construction at a factory, a compression strip of the same thickness as the finished ceiling material shall be installed directly above the top plate of bearing walls if the compressive strength of the fin-

ished ceiling material is less than the loads it will be required to withstand. The compression strip shall cover the entire length of such top plate and shall be not less than one-half the width of the top plate. It shall be of material capable of transmitting the loads transferred through it.

R802.7 Cutting, drilling and notching. Structural roof members shall not be cut, bored or notched in excess of the limitations specified in this section.

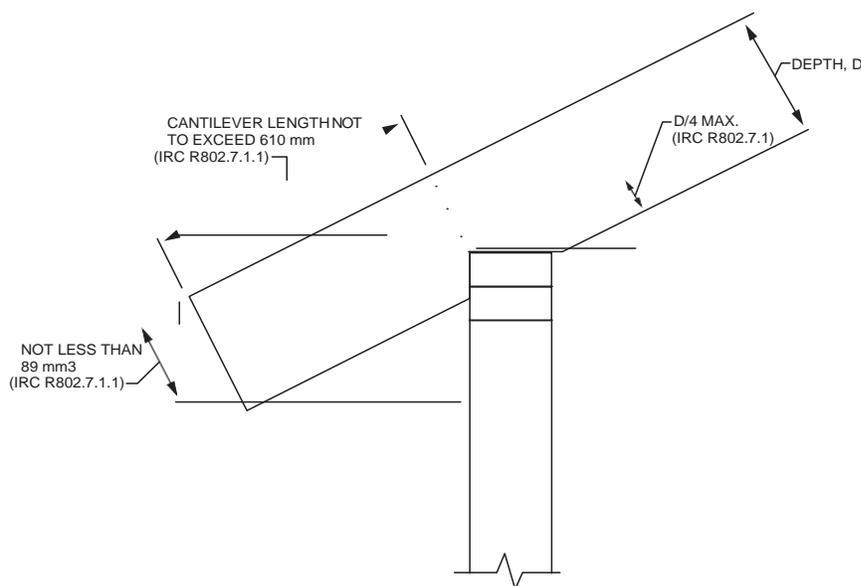
R802.7.1 Sawn lumber. Cuts, notches and holes in solid lumber joists, rafters, blocking and beams shall comply with the provisions of Section R502.8.1 except that cantilevered portions of rafters shall be permitted in accordance with Section R802.7.1.1.

R802.7.1.1 Cantilevered portions of rafters. Notches on cantilevered portions of rafters are permitted provided the dimension of the remaining portion of the rafter is not less than 89 mm (3½ inches) and the length of the cantilever does not exceed 610 mm (24 inches) in accordance with Figure R802.7.1.1.

R802.7.1.2 Ceiling joist taper cut. Taper cuts at the ends of the ceiling joist shall not exceed one-fourth the depth of the member in accordance with Figure R802.7.1.2.

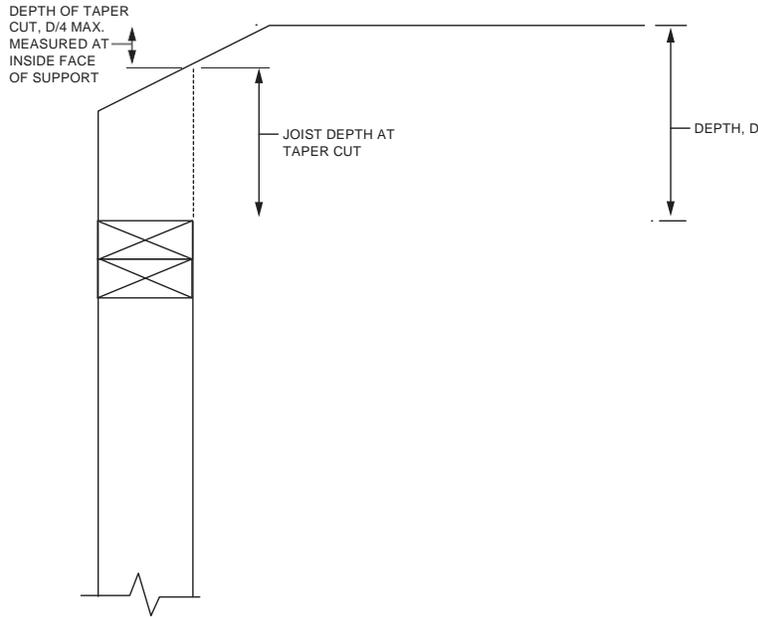
R802.7.2 Engineered wood products. Cuts, notches and holes bored in trusses, structural composite lumber, structural glue-laminated members, cross-laminated timber members or I-joists are prohibited except where permitted by the manufacturer's recommendations or where the effects of such alterations are specifically considered in the design of the member by a registered design professional.

R802.8 Lateral support. Roof framing members and ceiling joists having a depth-to-thickness ratio exceeding 5 to 1 based on nominal dimensions shall be provided with lateral support at points of bearing to prevent rotation. For roof raf-



For Inch Pound Units : 1 mm= 0.03937 inch .

**FIGURE R802.7.1.1
RAFTER NOTCH**



**FIGURE R802.7.1.2
CEILING JOIST TAPER CUT**

ters with ceiling joists attached in accordance with Table R602.3(1), the depth-to-thickness ratio for the total assembly shall be determined using the combined thickness of the rafter plus the attached ceiling joist.

Exception: Roof trusses shall be braced in accordance with Section R802.10.3.

R802.8.1 Bridging. Rafters and ceiling joists having a depth-to-thickness ratio exceeding 6 to 1 based on nominal dimensions shall be supported laterally by solid blocking, diagonal bridging (wood or metal) or a continuous 25.4 mm by 76 mm (1-inch by 3-inch) wood strip nailed across the rafters or ceiling joists at intervals not exceeding 2438 mm (8 feet).

R802.9 Framing of openings. Openings in roof and ceiling framing shall be framed with header and trimmer joists. Where the header joist span does not exceed 1200 mm (4 feet), the header joist shall be permitted to be a single member the same size as the ceiling joist or rafter. Single trimmer joists shall be permitted to be used to carry a single header joist that is located within 915 mm (3 feet) of the trimmer joist bearing. Where the header joist span exceeds 1200 mm (4 feet), the trimmer joists and the header joist shall be doubled and of sufficient cross section to support the ceiling joists or rafter framing into the header. *Approved* hangers shall be used for the header joist to trimmer joist connections where the header joist span exceeds 1229 mm (6 feet). Tail joists over 3658 mm (12 feet) long shall be supported at the header by framing anchors or on ledger strips not less than 51 mm by 51 mm (2 inches by 2 inches).

R802.10 Wood trusses.

R802.10.1 Truss design drawings. Truss design drawings, prepared in conformance to Section R802.10.1, shall be provided to the *building official* and *approved* prior to

installation. Truss design drawings shall be provided with the shipment of trusses delivered to the job site. Truss design drawings shall include, at a minimum, the following information:

1. Slope or depth, span and spacing.
2. Location of all joints.
3. Required bearing widths.
4. Design loads as applicable.
 - 4.1. Top chord live load (as determined from Section R301.6).
 - 4.2. Top chord dead load.
 - 4.3. Bottom chord live load.
 - 4.4. Bottom chord dead load.
 - 4.5. Concentrated loads and their points of application.
 - 4.6. Controlling wind and earthquake loads.
5. Adjustments to lumber and joint connector design values for conditions of use.
 6. Each reaction force and direction.
 7. Joint connector type and description such as size, thickness or gage and the dimensioned location of each joint connector except where symmetrically located relative to the joint interface.
 8. Lumber size, species and *grade* for each member.
 9. Connection requirements for:
 - 9.1. Truss to girder-truss.
 - 9.2. Truss ply to ply.
 - 9.3. Field splices.

10. Calculated deflection ratio or maximum description for live and total load.
11. Maximum axial compression forces in the truss members to enable the building designer to design the size, connections and anchorage of the permanent continuous lateral bracing. Forces shall be shown on the truss design drawing or on supplemental documents.
12. Required permanent truss member bracing location.

R802.10.2 Design. Wood trusses shall be designed in accordance with accepted engineering practice. The design and manufacture of metal-plate-connected wood trusses shall comply with ANSI/TPI 1. The truss design drawings shall be prepared by a registered professional where required by the statutes of the *jurisdiction* in which the project is to be constructed in accordance with Section R106.1.

R802.10.2.1 Applicability limits. The provisions of this section shall control the design of truss roof framing where snow controls for buildings that are not greater than 18288 mm (60 feet) in length perpendicular to the joist, rafter or truss span, not greater than 10973 mm (36 feet) in width parallel to the joist, rafter or truss span, not more than three stories above grade plane in height, and have roof slopes not smaller than 3:12 (25-percent slope) or greater than 12:12 (100-percent slope). Truss roof framing constructed in accordance with the provisions of this section shall be limited to sites subjected to a maximum design wind speed of 63 m/s (140 miles per hour), Exposure B or C, and a maximum ground snow load of 335 KPa 70 psf. For consistent loading of all truss types, roof snow load is to be computed as: $0.7 p_g$.

R802.10.3 Bracing. Trusses shall be braced to prevent rotation and provide lateral stability in accordance with the requirements specified in the *construction documents* for the building and on the individual truss design drawings. In the absence of specific bracing requirements, trusses shall be braced in accordance with accepted industry practice such as the *SBCA Building Component Safety Information (BCSI) Guide to Good Practice for Handling, Installing & Bracing of Metal Plate Connected Wood Trusses*.

R802.10.4 Alterations to trusses. Truss members shall not be cut, notched, drilled, spliced or otherwise altered in any way without the approval of a registered *design professional*. Alterations resulting in the addition of load such as HVAC equipment water heater that exceeds the design load for the truss shall not be permitted without verification that the truss is capable of supporting such additional loading.

R802.11 Roof tie-down.

R802.11.1 Uplift resistance. Roof assemblies shall have uplift resistance in accordance with Sections R802.11.1.1 and R802.11.1.2.

Where the uplift force does not exceed 90.8 Kg (200 pounds) , rafters and trusses spaced not more than 610 mm (24 inches) on center shall be permitted to be attached to their supporting wall assemblies in accordance with Table R602.3(1).

Where the basic wind speed does not exceed 115 mph, the wind exposure category is B, the roof pitch is 5:12 (42-percent slope) or greater, and the roof span is 9754 mm (32 feet) or less, rafters and trusses spaced not more than 610 mm (24 inches) on center shall be permitted to be attached to their supporting wall assemblies in accordance with Table R602.3(1).

R802.11.1.1 Truss uplift resistance. Trusses shall be attached to supporting wall assemblies by connections capable of resisting uplift forces as specified on the truss design drawings for the ultimate design wind speed as determined by Figure R301.2(5)A and listed in Table R301.2(1) or as shown on the construction documents. Uplift forces shall be permitted to be determined as specified by Table R802.11, if applicable, or as determined by accepted engineering practice.

R802.11.1.2 Rafter uplift resistance. Individual rafters shall be attached to supporting wall assemblies by connections capable of resisting uplift forces as determined by Table R802.11 or as determined by accepted engineering practice. Connections for beams used in a roof system shall be designed in accordance with accepted engineering practice.

**SECTION R803
ROOF SHEATHING**

R803.1 Lumber sheathing. Allowable spans for lumber used as roof sheathing shall conform to Table R803.1. Spaced lumber sheathing for wood shingle and shake roofing shall conform to the requirements of Sections R905.7 and R905.8. Spaced lumber sheathing is not allowed in Seismic Design Category D₂.

**TABLE R803.1
MINIMUM THICKNESS OF LUMBER ROOF SHEATHING**

RAFTER OR BEAM SPACING (mm)	MINIMUM NET THICKNESS (mm)
610	16
1200 ^a	38 T & G
1524 ^b	
1828 ^c	

For Inch Pound UnitsSI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm.

- a. Minimum 270 F_b , 340,000 E.
- b. Minimum 420 F_b , 660,000 E.
- c. Minimum 600 F_b , 1,150,000 E.

R803.2 Wood structural panel sheathing.

R803.2.1 Identification and grade. Wood structural panels shall conform to DOC PS 1, DOC PS 2, CSA O437 or CSA O325, and shall be identified for grade, bond classification and performance category by a grade mark or certificate of inspection issued by an *approved* agency. Wood structural panels shall comply with the grades specified in Table R503.2.1.1(1).

R803.2.1.1 Exposure durability. Wood structural panels, when designed to be permanently exposed in outdoor applications, shall be of an exterior exposure durability. Wood structural panel roof sheathing exposed to the underside shall be permitted to be of interior type bonded with exterior glue, identified as Exposure 1.

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TABLE R802.11
RAFTER OR TRUSS UPLIFT CONNECTION FORCES FROM WIND (ASD) (KILOGRAMS PER CONNECTION)^{a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h}

RAFTER OR TRUSS SPACING	ROOF SPAN (mm)	EXPOSURE B									
		Ultimate Design Wind Speed V_{ULT} (m/s)									
		49		51		54		58		63	
		Roof Pitch		Roof Pitch		Roof Pitch		Roof Pitch		Roof Pitch	
		< 5:12	≥ 5:12	< 5:12	≥ 5:12	< 5:12	≥ 5:12	< 5:12	≥ 5:12	< 5:12	≥ 5:12
305 mm o.c.	3658	22	20	27	24	32	29	43	40	55	51
	5486	27	24	30	30	40	37	55	51	71	66
	7315	32	28	40	36	49	44	68	62	87	81
	8534	36	31	45	40	55	49	76	69	98	91
	9754	39	34	49	44	61	54	84	77	109	101
	10973	43	37	54	48	66	60	92	84	120	111
	12802	48	42	61	54	75	68	104	96	136	126
	14630	54	46	69	61	84	75	117	107	153	141
405 mm o.c.	3658	29	26	35	32	42	39	57	53	74	68
	5486	35	31	44	40	54	49	74	68	95	88
	7315	43	37	54	48	65	59	90	83	116	108
	8534	48	42	60	53	73	66	101	92	130	121
	9754	52	46	66	59	81	73	112	103	145	134
	10973	56	49	72	63	87	79	121	110	157	145
	12802	63	55	80	72	99	89	161	126	178	165
	14630	70	61	90	80	110	99	153	140	199	185
610 mm o.c.	3658	43	38	52	47	63	57	85	79	109	101
	5486	53	46	66	59	80	72	109	100	140	131
	7315	63	55	80	71	97	89	133	122	172	159
	8534	71	62	88	79	108	97	149	137	193	179
	9754	77	67	97	87	120	107	165	152	215	198
	10973	84	73	107	94	131	118	181	162	236	218
	12802	95	82	121	107	148	133	206	189	268	248
	14630	106	91	135	119	165	148	231	211	300	278

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TABLE R802.11—continued
RAFTER OR TRUSS UPLIFT CONNECTION FORCES FROM WIND (ASD) (KILOGRAMS PER CONNECTION)^{a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h}

RAFTER OR TRUSS SPACING	ROOF SPAN (feet)	EXPOSURE C									
		Ultimate Design Wind Speed V_{ULT} (mph)									
		110		115		120		130		140	
		Roof Pitch		Roof Pitch		Roof Pitch		Roof Pitch		Roof Pitch	
		< 5:12	≥ 5:12	< 5:12	≥ 5:12	< 5:12	≥ 5:12	< 5:12	≥ 5:12	< 5:12	≥ 5:12
12" o.c.	12	95	88	110	102	126	118	161	151	198	186
	18	121	111	141	131	163	151	208	195	257	242
	24	148	136	173	160	200	185	256	239	317	298
	28	166	152	195	179	225	208	289	269	358	335
	32	184	168	216	199	249	231	321	299	398	373
	36	202	185	237	219	274	254	353	329	438	411
	42	229	210	269	248	312	289	402	375	499	468
16" o.c.	12	126	117	146	136	168	157	214	201	263	247
	18	161	148	188	174	217	201	277	259	342	322
	24	197	181	230	213	266	246	340	318	422	396
	28	221	202	259	238	299	277	384	358	476	446
	32	245	223	287	265	331	307	427	398	529	496
	36	269	246	315	291	364	338	469	438	583	547
	42	305	279	358	330	415	384	535	499	664	622
24" o.c.	12	190	176	220	204	252	236	322	302	396	372
	18	242	222	282	262	326	302	416	390	514	484
	24	296	272	346	320	400	370	512	478	634	596
	28	332	304	390	358	450	416	578	538	716	670
	32	368	336	432	398	498	462	642	598	796	746
	36	404	370	474	438	548	508	706	658	876	822
	42	458	420	538	496	624	578	804	750	998	936
	48	512	468	604	556	698	646	900	840	1120	1048

RAFTER OR TRUSS SPACING	ROOF SPAN (feet)	EXPOSURE C									
		Ultimate Design Wind Speed V_{ULT} (m/s)									
		49		51		54		58		63	
		Roof Pitch		Roof Pitch		Roof Pitch		Roof Pitch		Roof Pitch	
		< 5:12	≥ 5:12	< 5:12	≥ 5:12	< 5:12	≥ 5:12	< 5:12	≥ 5:12	< 5:12	≥ 5:12
305 mm o.c.	3658	42	39	49	46	56	53	72	68	88	83
	5486	54	50	63	59	73	68	93	87	115	108
	7315	66	61	77	72	89	83	114	107	142	133
	8534	74	68	87	80	101	93	129	121	160	150
	9754	82	75	97	89	111	103	144	134	178	167
	10973	90	83	106	98	122	114	158	147	196	184
	12802	102	94	120	111	139	129	180	168	223	209
	14630	114	105	135	124	156	144	201	188	250	234
	3658	56	52	65	61	75	70	97	89	162	110
	5486	72	66	84	78	97	90	124	116	153	144

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405 mm o.c.	7315	88	81	103	95	119	110	152	142	189	177
	8534	99	90	116	106	134	124	172	160	213	199
	9754	106	100	128	118	148	137	191	178	236	222
	10973	120	110	141	130	163	151	210	196	261	245
	12802	136	125	160	148	186	172	239	223	297	278
	14630	152	139	180	165	289	192	268	250	333	312
610 mm o.c.	3658	85	79	98	91	113	106	144	135	177	166
	5486	108	99	126	117	151	135	186	174	230	216
	7315	132	122	154	143	179	165	229	214	283	266
	8534	148	136	174	160	201	186	258	241	320	299
	9754	165	150	193	177	222	207	287	267	356	333
	10973	181	165	212	196	245	227	315	294	392	368
	12802	205	186	241	222	279	258	360	335	446	418
	14630	229	209	270	249	312	289	402	376	501	468

For Inch Pound Units : 1 mm= 0.03937 inch , 1 mm= 0.00328 foot , 1 m/s= 2.2 mile per hour , 1 kg= 2.2 pound , 1N/m²= 0.0209 pound per square foot , 1 N/m= 0.0685 pound per linear foot .

- a. The uplift connection forces are based on a maximum 10058 mm (33-foot) mean roof height and Wind Exposure Category B or C. For Exposure D, the uplift connection force shall be selected from the Exposure C portion of the table using the next highest tabulated ultimate design wind speed. The adjustment coefficients in Table R301.2(3) shall not be used to multiply the tabulated forces for Exposures C and D or for other mean roof heights.
- b. The uplift connection forces include an allowance for roof and ceiling assembly dead load of 0.718 kPa (15 psf).
- c. The tabulated uplift connection forces are limited to a maximum roof overhang of 610 mm (24 inches).
- d. The tabulated uplift connection forces shall be permitted to be multiplied by 0.75 for connections not located within 2438 mm (8 feet) of building corners.
- e. For buildings with hip roofs with 5:12 and greater pitch, the tabulated uplift connection forces shall be permitted to be multiplied by 0.70. This reduction shall not be combined with any other reduction in tabulated forces.
- f. For wall-to-wall and wall-to-foundation connections, the uplift connection force shall be permitted to be reduced by 0.875 kN/m (60 plf) for each full wall above.
- g. Linear interpolation between tabulated roof spans and wind speeds shall be permitted.
- h. The tabulated forces for a 305 mm (12-inch) on-center spacing shall be permitted to be used to determine the uplift load in pounds per linear foot.

R803.2.1.2 Fire-retardant-treated plywood. The allowable unit stresses for fire-retardant-treated plywood, including fastener values, shall be developed from an *approved* method of investigation that considers the effects of anticipated temperature and humidity to which the fire-retardant-treated plywood will be subjected, the type of treatment and redrying process. The fire-retardant-treated plywood shall be graded by an *approved agency*.

R803.2.2 Allowable spans. The maximum allowable spans for wood structural panel roof sheathing shall not exceed the values set forth in Table R503.2.1.1(1), or APA E30.

R803.2.3 Installation. Wood structural panel used as roof sheathing shall be installed with joints staggered or not staggered in accordance with Table R602.3(1), APA E30 for wood roof framing or with Table R804.3 for cold-formed steel roof framing. Wood structural panel roof sheathing in accordance with Table R503.2.1.1(1) shall not cantilever more than 229 mm (9 inches) beyond the gable endwall unless supported by gable overhang framing.

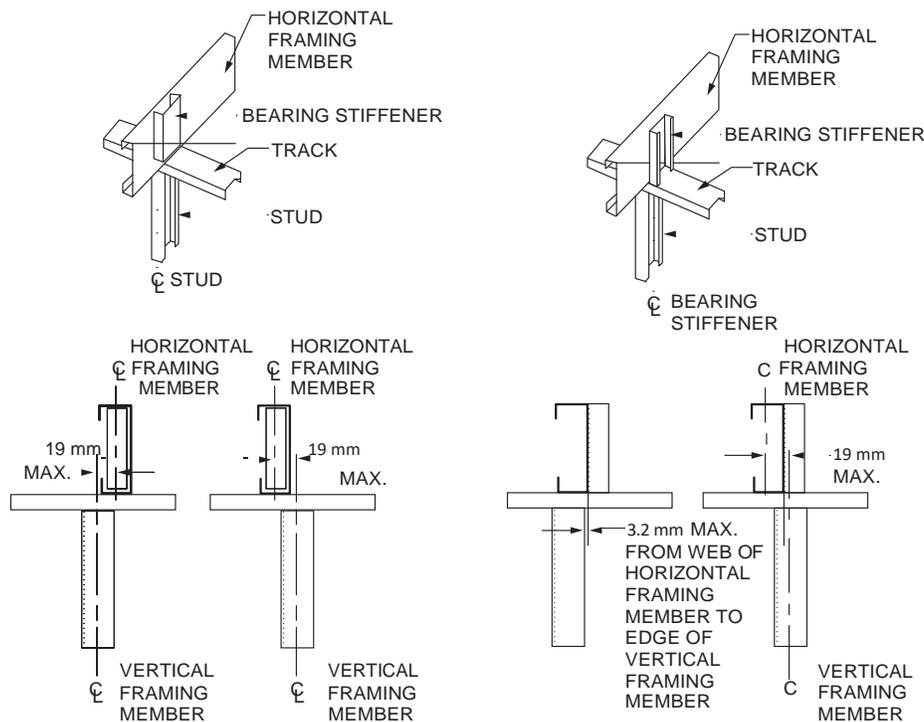
R804.1.1 Applicability limits. The provisions of this section shall control the construction of cold-formed steel roof framing for buildings not greater than 18288 mm (60 feet) perpendicular to the joist, rafter or truss span, not greater than 12 192 mm (40 feet) in width parallel to the joist span or truss, less than or equal to three stories above *grade* plane and with roof slopes not less than 3:12 (25-percent slope) or greater than 12:12 (100-percent slope). Cold-formed steel roof framing constructed in accordance with the provisions of this section shall be limited to sites where the ultimate design wind speed is less than 63 m/s (140 miles per hour), Exposure Category B or C, and the ground snow load is less than or equal to 3350 Pa (70 pounds per square foot).

R804.1.2 In-line framing. Cold-formed steel roof framing constructed in accordance with Section R804 shall be located in line with load-bearing studs in accordance with Figure R804.1.2 and the tolerances specified as follows:

1. The maximum tolerance shall be 19 mm (³/₄ inch) between the centerline of the horizontal framing member and the centerline of the vertical framing member.
2. Where the centerline of the horizontal framing member and bearing stiffener are located to one side of the centerline of the vertical framing member, the maximum tolerance shall be 3.2 mm (¹/₈ inch) between the web of the horizontal framing member and the edge of the vertical framing member.

**SECTION R804
COLD-FORMED STEEL ROOF FRAMING**

R804.1 General. Elements shall be straight and free of any defects that would significantly affect their structural performance. Cold-formed steel roof framing members shall be in accordance with the requirements of this section.



**FIGURE R804.1.2
IN-LINE FRAMING**

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch.

R804.2 Structural framing. Load-bearing, cold-formed steel roof framing members shall be in accordance with this section.

R804.2.1 Material. Load-bearing, cold-formed steel framing members shall be cold formed to shape from structural quality sheet steel complying with the requirements of ASTM A1003, Structural Grades 33 Type H and 50 Type H.

R804.2.2 Corrosion protection. Load-bearing, cold-formed steel framing shall have a metallic coating complying with ASTM A1003 and one of the following:

1. Not less than G 60 in accordance with ASTM A653.
2. Not less than AZ 50 in accordance with ASTM A792.

R804.2.3 Dimension, thickness and material grade. Load-bearing, cold-formed steel roof framing members shall comply with Figure R804.2.3(1) and with the dimensional and thickness requirements specified in Table R804.2.3. Additionally, C-shaped sections shall have a

minimum flange width of 41 mm (1.625 inches) and a maximum flange width of 51 mm (2 inches) . The minimum lip size for C-shaped sections shall be 12.5 mm (¹/₂ inch) . Tracks shall comply with Figure R804.2.3(2) and shall have a minimum flange width of 32 mm (1¹/₄ inches). Minimum Grade 33 ksi steel shall be used wherever 33 mil and 43 mil thicknesses are specified. Minimum Grade 50 ksi steel shall be used wherever 54 and 68 mil thicknesses are specified.

R804.2.4 Identification. Load-bearing, cold-formed steel framing members shall have a legible *label*, stencil, stamp or embossment with the following information as a minimum:

1. Manufacturer’s identification.
2. Minimum base steel thickness in mm (inches).
3. Minimum coating designation.
4. Minimum yield strength, in kips per Square metre (square inch) (ksi) (MPa).

**TABLE R804.2.3
LOAD-BEARING COLD-FORMED STEEL ROOF FRAMING MEMBER SIZES AND THICKNESSES**

MEMBER DESIGNATION ^a	WEB DEPTH (mm)	MINIMUM BASE STEEL THICKNESS mil (mm)
350S162-t	89	33 (0.84), 43 (1.1), 54 (1.4)
550S162-t	140	33 (0.84), 43 (1.1), 54 (1.4), 68 (1.7)
800S162-t	205	33 (0.84), 43 (1.1), 54 (1.4), 68 (1.7)
1000S162-t	255	43 (0.84), 54 (1.1), 68 (1.7)
1200S162-t	305	43 (0.84), 54 (1.1), 68 (1.7)

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm= 0.03937 inch

a. The member designation is defined by the first number representing the member depth in hundredths of an inch, the letter “s” representing a stud or joist member, the second number representing the flange width in hundredths of an inch and the letter “t” shall be a number representing the minimum base metal thickness in mils.

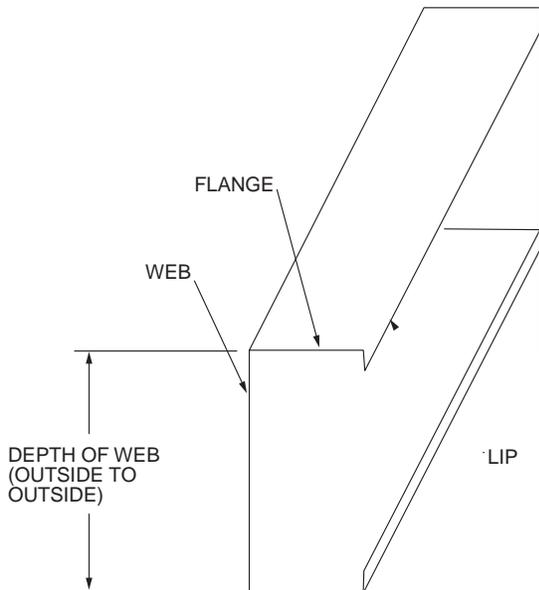
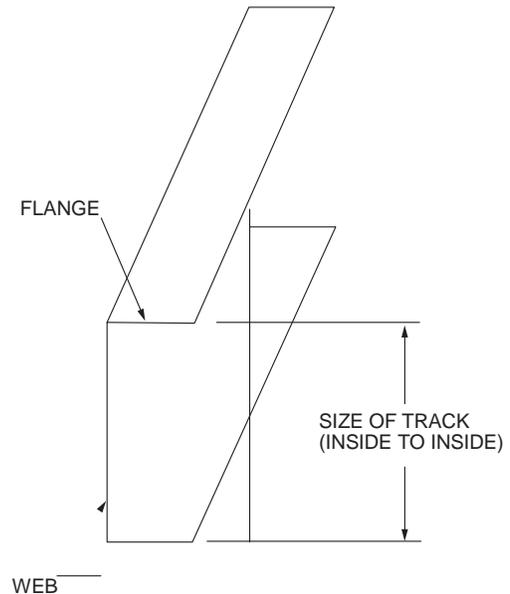


FIGURE R804.2.3(1)



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R804.2.5 Fastening requirements. Screws for steel-to-steel connections shall be installed with a minimum edge distance and center-to-center spacing of 12.5 mm ($\frac{1}{2}$ inch), shall be self-drilling tapping and shall conform to ASTM C1513. Structural sheathing shall be attached to cold-formed steel roof rafters with minimum No. 8 self-drilling tapping screws that conform to ASTM C1513. Screws for attaching structural sheathing to cold-formed steel roof framing shall have a minimum head diameter of 7.4 mm (0.292 inch) with countersunk heads and shall be installed with a minimum edge distance of 9.5 mm ($\frac{3}{8}$ inch). Gypsum board ceilings shall be attached to cold-formed steel joists with minimum No. 6 screws conforming to ASTM C954 or ASTM C1513 with a bugle-head style and shall be installed in accordance with Section R805. For all connections, screws shall extend through the steel not fewer than three exposed threads. Fasteners shall have rust-inhibitive coating suitable for the installation in which they are being used, or be manufactured from material not susceptible to corrosion.

R804.2.6 Web holes, web hole reinforcing and web hole patching. Web holes, web hole reinforcing and web hole patching shall be in accordance with this section.

R804.2.6.1 Web holes. Web holes in roof framing members shall comply with all of the following conditions:

1. Holes shall conform to Figure R804.2.6.1.
2. Holes shall be permitted only along the centerline of the web of the framing member.
3. Center-to-center spacing of holes shall be not less than 610 mm (24 inches).
4. The web hole width shall be not greater than one-half the member depth, or 63.5 mm ($2\frac{1}{2}$ inches).
5. Holes shall have a web hole length not exceeding 115 mm ($4\frac{1}{2}$ inches).
6. The minimum distance between the edge of the bearing surface and the edge of the web hole shall be not less than 255 mm (10 inches).

Framing members with web holes not conforming to Items 1 through 6 shall be reinforced in accordance

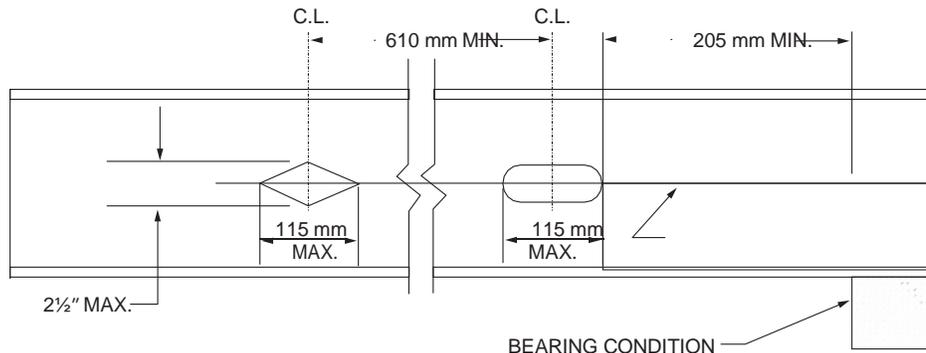
with Section R804.2.6.2, patched in accordance with Section R804.2.6.3 or designed in accordance with accepted engineering practices.

R804.2.6.2 Web hole reinforcing. Reinforcement of web holes in ceiling joists not conforming to the requirements of Section R804.2.6.1 shall be permitted if the hole is located fully within the center 40 percent of the span and the depth and length of the hole do not exceed 65 percent of the flat width of the web. The reinforcing shall be a steel plate or C-shaped section with a hole that does not exceed the web hole size limitations of Section R804.2.6.1 for the member being reinforced. The steel reinforcing shall be the same thickness as the receiving member and shall extend not less than 25.5 mm (1 inch) beyond all edges of the hole. The steel reinforcing shall be fastened to the web of the receiving member with No. 8 screws spaced not greater than 25.5 mm (1 inch) center to center along the edges of

the patch with minimum edge distance of 12.5 mm ($\frac{1}{2}$ inch).

R804.2.6.3 Hole patching. Patching of web holes in roof framing members not conforming to the requirements in Section R804.2.6.1 shall be permitted in accordance with either of the following methods:

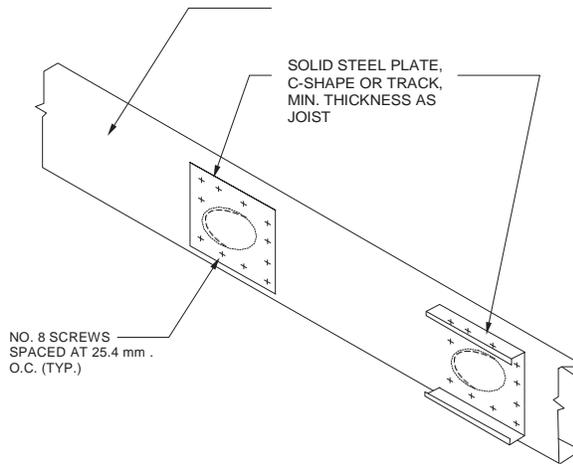
1. Framing members shall be replaced or designed in accordance with accepted engineering practices where web holes exceed either of the following size limits:
 - 1.1. The depth of the hole, measured across the web, exceeds 70 percent of the flat width of the web.
 - 1.2. The length of the hole measured along the web, exceeds 255 mm (10 inches) or the depth of the web, whichever is greater.
2. Web holes not exceeding the dimensional requirements in Section R804.2.6.3, Item 1, shall be patched with a solid steel plate, stud section or track section in accordance with Figure R804.2.6.3. The steel patch shall, as a minimum, be the same thickness as the receiving member and shall extend not



For Inch Pound Units : 1 mm = 0.03937 inch .

FIGURE R804.2.6.1
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less than 25.4 mm (1 inch) beyond all edges of the hole. The steel patch shall be fastened to the web of the receiving member with No. 8 screws spaced not greater than 25.4 mm (1 inch) center-to-center along the edges of the patch with minimum edge distance of 12.5 mm (1/2 inch).



For Inch Pound Units : 1 mm = 0.03937 inch .

FIGURE R804.2.6.3
ROOF FRAMING MEMBER WEB HOLE PATCH

R804.3 Roof construction. Cold-formed steel roof systems constructed in accordance with the provisions of this section shall consist of both ceiling joists and rafters in accordance with Figure R804.3 and fastened in accordance with Table R804.3.

R804.3.1 Ceiling joists. Cold-formed steel ceiling joists shall be in accordance with this section.

R804.3.1.1 Minimum ceiling joist size. Ceiling joist size and thickness shall be determined in accordance with the limits set forth in Tables R804.3.1.1(1) and R804.3.1.1(2). When determining the size of ceiling joists, the lateral support of the top flange shall be classified as unbraced, braced at midspan or braced at third points in accordance with Section R804.3.1.3. Where sheathing material is attached to the top flange of ceiling joists or where the bracing is spaced closer than at third points of the joists, the “third point” values from Tables R804.3.1.1(1) and R804.3.1.1(2) shall be used.

Ceiling joists shall have a bearing support length of not less than 38 mm (1 1/2 inches) and shall be connected to roof rafters (heel joint) with No. 10 screws in accordance with Figure R804.3.1.1 and Table R804.3.1.1(3).

Where continuous joists are framed across interior bearing supports, the interior bearing supports shall be located within 610 mm (24 inches) of midspan of the ceiling joist, and the individual spans shall not exceed the applicable spans in Tables R804.3.1.1(1) and R804.3.1.1(2).

Where the *attic* is to be used as an occupied space, the ceiling joists shall be designed in accordance with Section R505.

R804.3.1.2 Ceiling joist bottom flange bracing. The bottom flanges of ceiling joists shall be laterally braced by the application of gypsum board or continuous steel straps installed perpendicular to the joist run in accordance with one of the following:

1. Gypsum board shall be fastened with No. 6 screws in accordance with Section R702.
2. Steel straps with a minimum size of 38 mm (1 1/2 inches) by 33 mils by 0.84 mm shall be installed at a maximum spacing of 1200 mm (4 feet). Straps shall be fastened to the bottom flange at each joist with one No. 8 screw and shall be fastened to blocking with two No. 8 screws. Blocking shall be installed between joists at a maximum spacing of 3658 mm (12 feet) measured along a line of continuous strapping (perpendicular to the joist run), and at the termination of all straps.

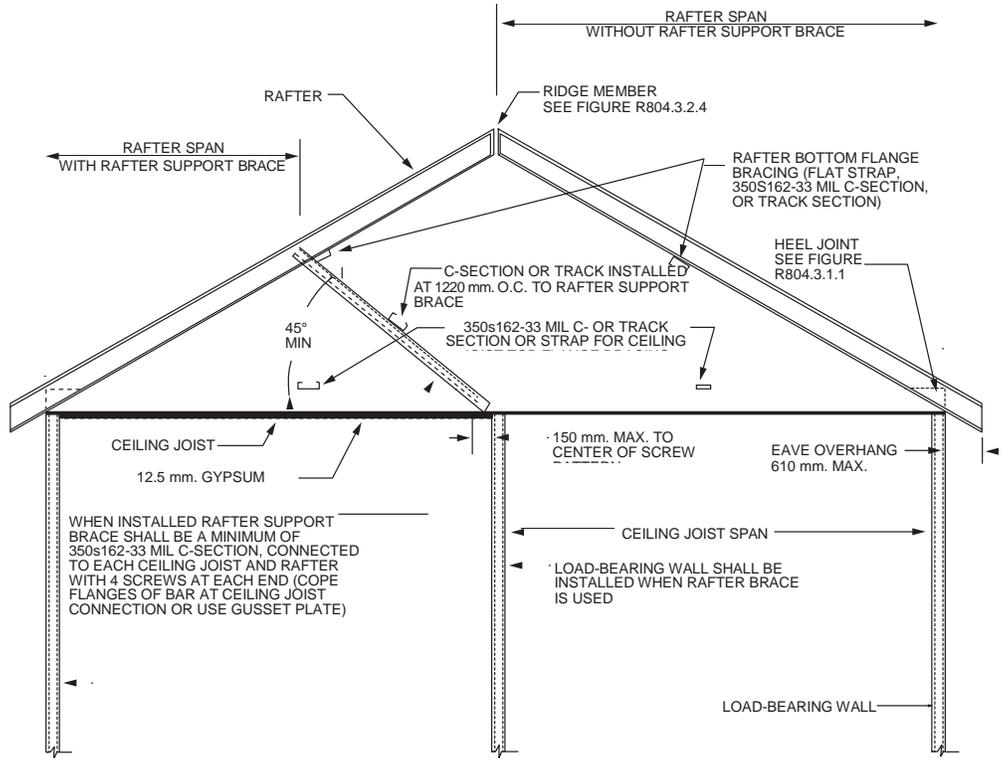
R804.3.1.3 Ceiling joist top flange bracing. The top flanges of ceiling joists shall be laterally braced as required by Tables R804.3.1.1(1) and R804.3.1.1(2), in accordance with one of the following:

1. Minimum 0.84 mm (33-mil) C-shaped member in accordance with Figure R804.3.1.3(1).
2. Minimum 0.84 mm (33-mil) track section in accordance with Figure R804.3.1.3(1).
3. Minimum 0.84 mm (33-mil) hat section in accordance with Figure R804.3.1.3(1).
4. Minimum 1.37 mm (54-mil) 38 mm (1 1/2-inch) cold-rolled channel section in accordance with Figure R804.3.1.3(1).
5. Minimum 38 mm by 0.84 mm (1 1/2-inch by 33-mil) continuous steel strap in accordance with Figure R804.3.1.3(2).

Lateral bracing shall be installed perpendicular to the ceiling joists and shall be fastened to the top flange of each joist with one No. 8 screw. Blocking shall be installed between joists in line with bracing at a maximum spacing of 3,660 mm (12 feet) measured perpendicular to the joists. Ends of lateral bracing shall be attached to blocking or anchored to a stable building component with two No. 8 screws.

R804.3.1.4 Ceiling joist splicing. Splices in ceiling joists shall be permitted, if ceiling joist splices are supported at interior bearing points and are constructed in accordance with Figure R804.3.1.4. The number of screws on each side of the splice shall be the same as required for the heel joint connection in Table R804.3.1.1(3).

R804.3.2 Roof rafters. Cold-formed steel roof rafters shall be in accordance with this section.



For SI: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 mm foot, 1 mm = 39.37 mil.

**FIGURE R804.3
COLD-FORMED STEEL ROOF CONSTRUCTION**

**TABLE R804.3
ROOF FRAMING FASTENING SCHEDULE^{a, b}**

DESCRIPTION OF BUILDING ELEMENTS		NUMBER AND SIZE OF FASTENERS ^a		SPACING OF FASTENERS					
Roof sheathing (oriented strand board or plywood) to rafter		No. 8 screws		150 mm $\bar{\bar{m}}$ o.c. on edges and 305 mm $\bar{\bar{m}}$ o.c. at interior supports. 150 mm $\bar{\bar{m}}$ o.c. at gable end truss					
Gable end truss to endwall top track		No. 10 screws		305 mm $\bar{\bar{m}}$ o.c.					
Rafter to ceiling joist		Minimum No. 10 screws, in accordance with Table R804.3.1.1(3)		Evenly spaced, not less than 12.5 mm $\bar{\bar{m}}$ from all edges.					
Ceiling joist or roof truss to top track of bearing wall ^b	Ceiling Joist Spacing (mm.)	Roof Span (mm)	Ultimate Design Wind Speed (m/s) and Exposure Category				Each ceiling joist or roof truss		
			56 B 49 C	<62 B 51 C	56 C	<62 C			
			405	7315	51	51		51	76
				8534	51	51		76	76
				9754	51	51		76	102
	10973	51		51	76	102			
	610	12200	51	51	76	102			
		7315	51	51	76	102			
		8534	51	51	102	127			
		9754	51	76	102	127			
10973		51	76	102	150				
		12200	51	76	127	150			

For Inch Pound Units : 1 mm= 0.03937 inch , 1 mm= 0.00328 foot, 1 KPa= 20.89 pound per square foot , 1 mil = 0.0254 mm.

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a. Screws are a minimum No. 10 unless noted otherwise.

b. Indicated number of screws shall be applied through the flanges of the truss or ceiling joist or through each leg of a 54 mil clip angle. See Section R804.3.8 for additional requirements to resist uplift forces.

TABLE R804.3.1.1(1)
CEILING JOIST SPANS
0.47 KPa LIVE LOAD (NO ATTIC STORAGE)^{a, b, c, d}

MEMBER DESIGNATION	ALLOWABLE SPAN (mm)					
	Lateral Support of Top (Compression) Flange					
	Unbraced		Midspan Bracing		Third-point Bracing	
	Ceiling Joist Spacing (mm)					
	405	610	405	610	405	610
350S162-33	2900	2550	3600	3000	3600	3150
350S162-43	3150	2800	3900	3450	3900	3450
350S162-54	3350	3000	4200	3650	4200	3650
350S162-68	3700	3300	4500	3900	4500	3900
550S162-33	3350	3000	4750	3650	5150	3650
550S162-43	3550	3200	5150	4500	5550	4850
550S162-54	3850	3400	4850	4950	5850	5250
550S162-68	4150	3650	5850	5250	6250	5600
800S162-33	—	—	—	—	—	—
800S162-43	3950	3550	5700	5100	6450	5650
800S162-54	4250	3800	6100	5500	6500	6200
800S162-68	4550	4050	6500	5850	6950	6650
1000S162-43	—	—	—	—	—	—
1000S162-54	4500	4050	6500	5850	6900	6600
1000S162-68	4800	4350	6950	6200	7350	7050
1200S162-43	—	—	—	—	—	—
1200S162-54	—	—	—	—	—	—
1200S162-68	5050	5450	7250	6550	7750	7450

For Inch Pound Units : 1 mm= 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot , 1 mil = 0.0254 mm, 1 kPa = 20.89 pound per square foot .

a. Deflection criterion: $L/240$ for total loads.

b. Ceiling dead load = 0.24 (5 psf).

c. Minimum Grade 33 ksi steel shall be used for 33 mil and 43 mil thicknesses. Minimum Grade 50 ksi steel shall be used for 54 and 68 mil thicknesses.

d. Listed allowable spans are not applicable for 350S162-33, 550S162-33, 550S162-43 and 800S162-43 continuous joist members.

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TABLE R804.3.1.1(2)
 CEILING JOIST SPANS
 0.95 KPa LIVE LOAD (LIMITED ATTIC STORAGE)^{a, b, c, d}

MEMBER DESIGNATION	ALLOWABLE SPAN (mm)					
	Lateral Support of Top (Compression) Flange					
	Unbraced		Midspan Bracing		Third-point Bracing	
	Ceiling Joist Spacing (mm)					
	405	610	405	610	405	610
350S162-33	2450	1950	2800	2250	3000	2250
350S162-43	2700	2350	3250	2650	3050	2900
350S162-54	2900	2600	3550	3100	3550	3100
350S162-68	3150	2800	3750	3300	3750	3300
550S162-33	2850	62100	3150	2100	3150	2100
550S162-43	3100	2800	4300	3550	4600	3550
550S162-54	3300	2950	4750	4250	5050	4400
550S162-68	3550	3150	5050	4500	5400	4700
800S162-33	—	—	—	—	—	—
800S162-43	3450	3100	4900	3350	5000	3350
800S162-54	3650	3300	5250	4750	5650	5350
800S162-68	3900	3500	5650	5050	6050	5750
1000S162-43	—	—	—	—	—	—
1000S162-54	3900	3550	5600	5050	5950	5650
1000S162-68	4150	3750	5950	5400	6450	6450
1200S162-43	—	—	—	—	—	—
1200S162-54	—	—	—	—	—	—
1200S162-68	4350	3950	6300	5650	6700	6400

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For Inch Pound Units : 1 mm= 0.03937 inch , 1 mm= 0.00328 foot , 1 mil = 0.0254 mm, 1 KPa= 20.89 pound per square foot = .

a. Deflection criterion: $L/240$ for total loads.

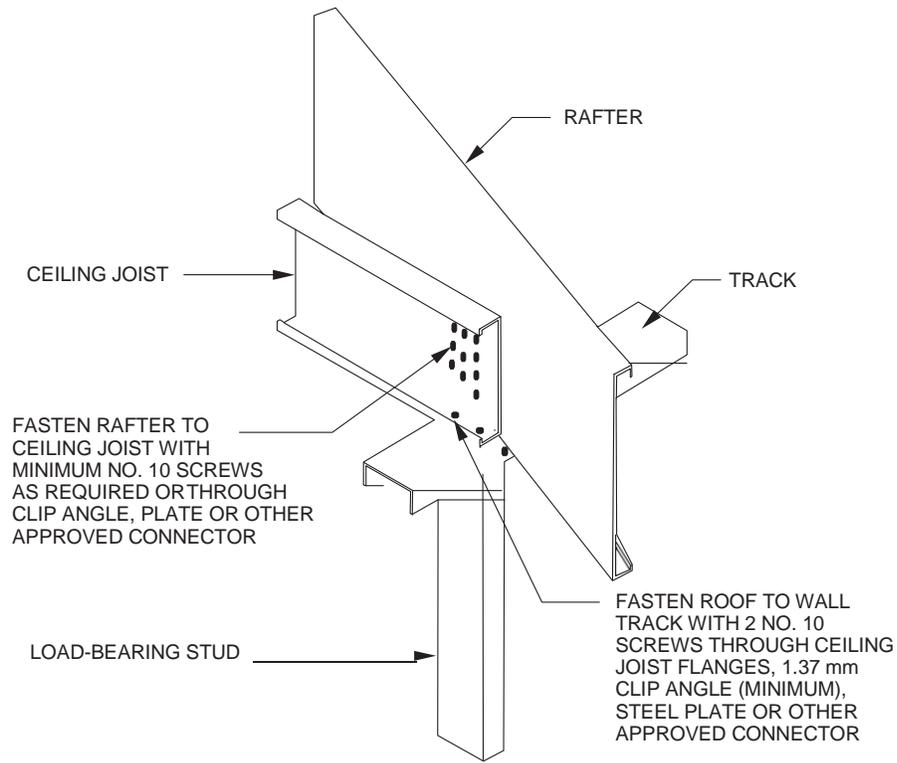
b. Ceiling dead load =0.24 KPa (5 psf).

c. Minimum Grade 33 ksi steel shall be used for 33 mil and 43 mil thicknesses. Minimum Grade 50 ksi steel shall be used for 54 and 68 mil thicknesses.

■ d. Listed allowable spans are not applicable for 350S162-33, 350S162-43, 550S162-33, 550S162-43 and 800S162-43 continuous joist members.

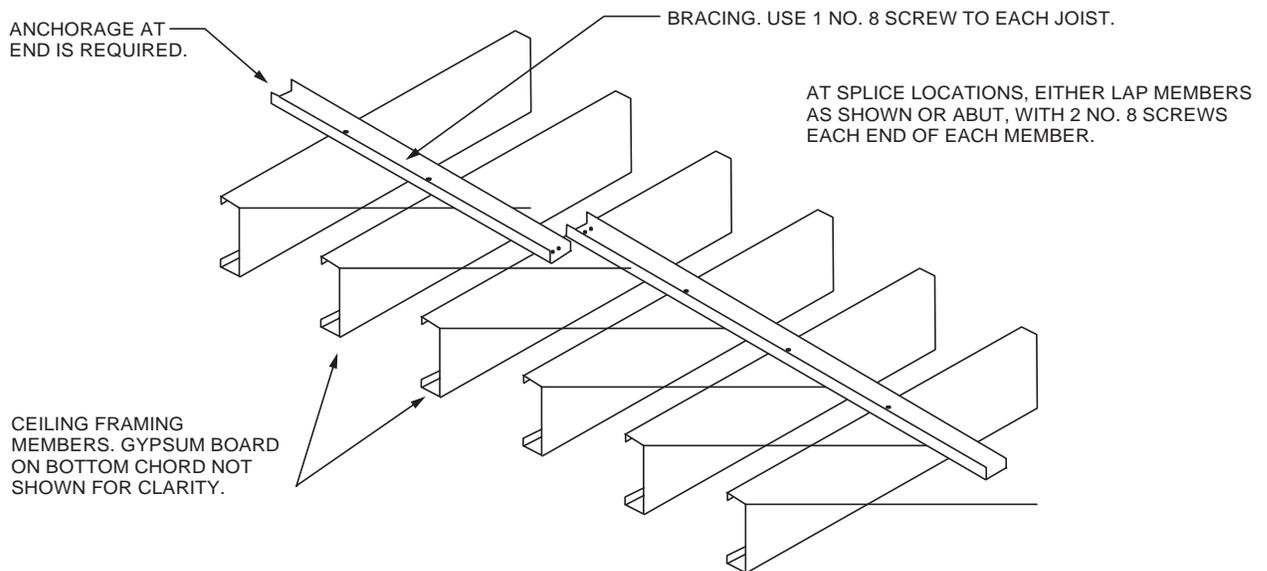
TABLE R804.3.1.1(3) NA

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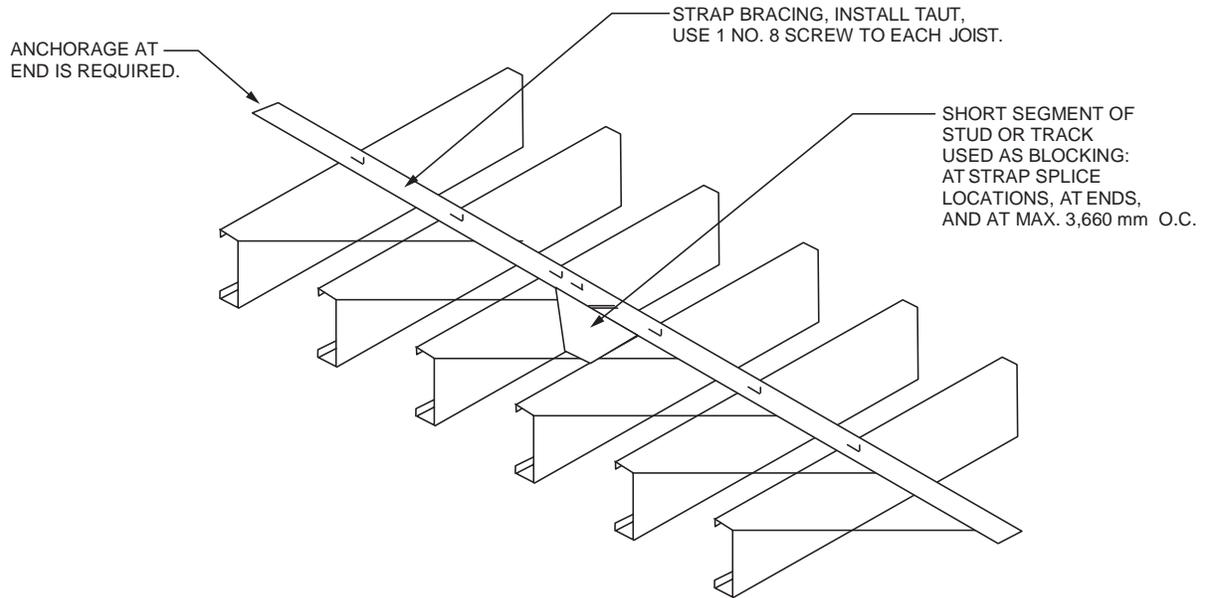


For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 39.37 mil.

**FIGURE R804.3.1.1
JOIST TO RAFTER CONNECTION**

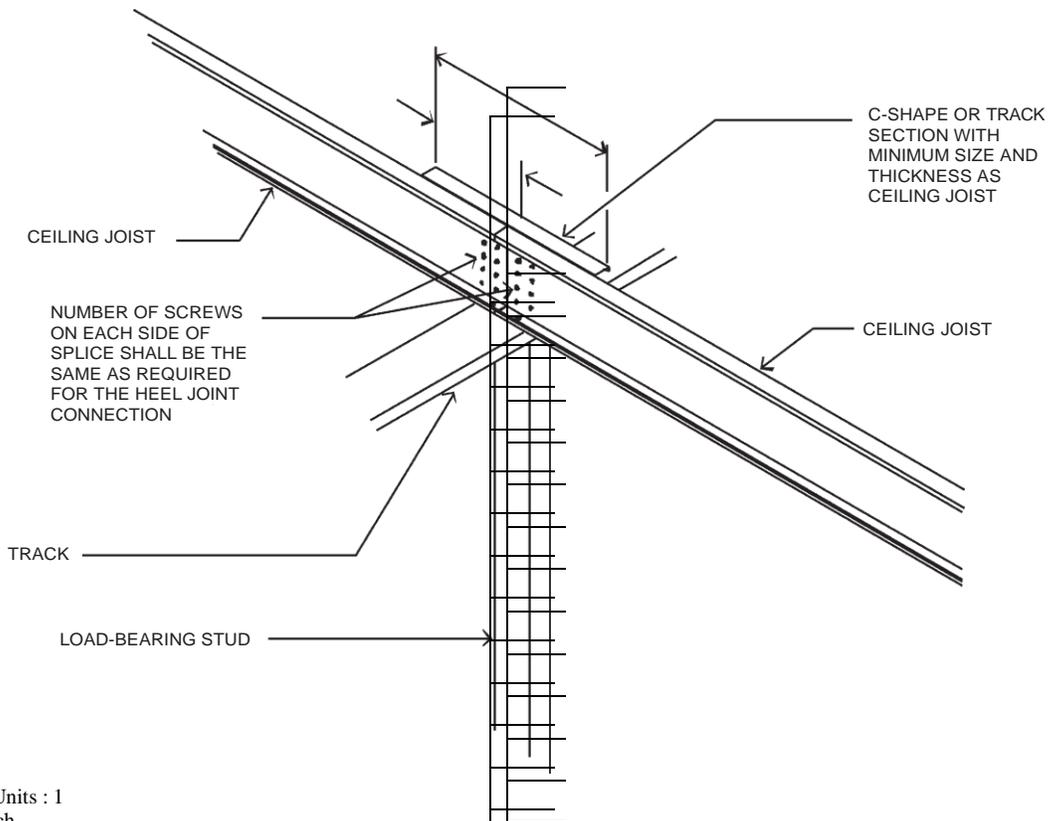


**FIGURE R804.3.1.3(1)
CEILING JOIST TOP FLANGE BRACING WITH C-SHAPED, TRACK OR COLD-ROLLED CHANNEL**



For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.00328 foot.

**FIGURE R804.3.1.3(2)
CEILING JOIST TOP FLANGE BRACING WITH CONTINUOUS STEEL STRAP AND BLOCKING**



For Inch Pound Units : 1 mm = 0.03937 inch .

**FIGURE R804.3.1.4
SPLICED CEILING JOISTS**

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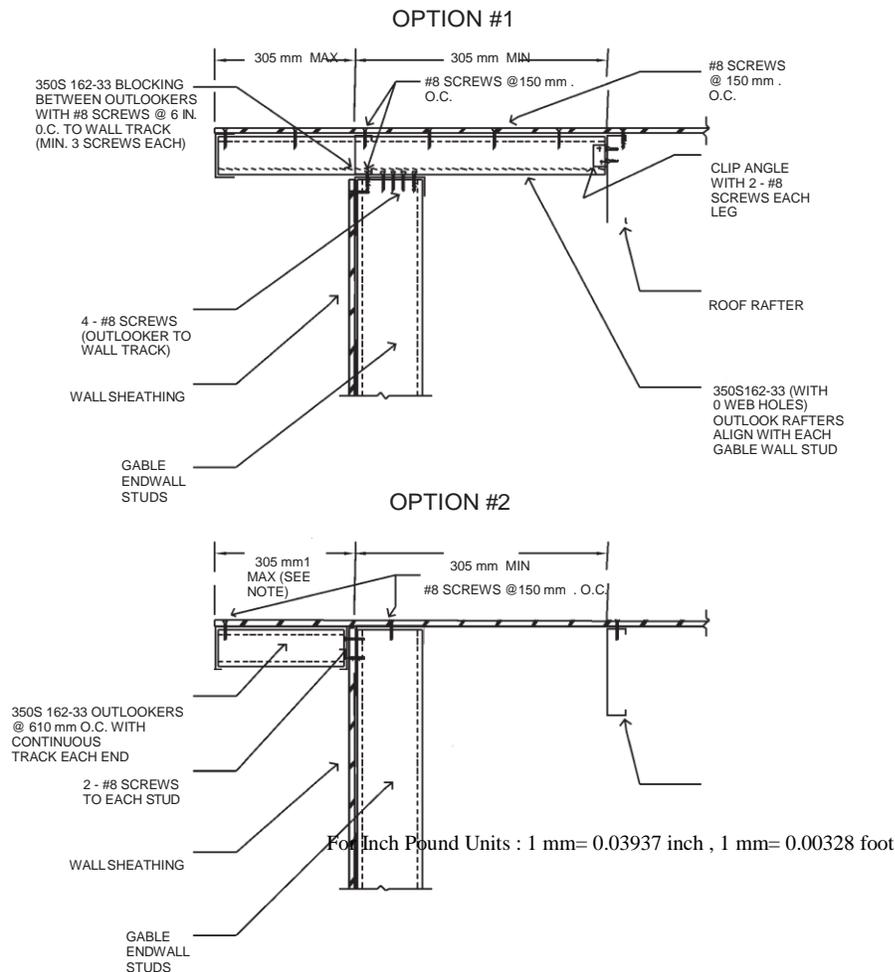
R804.3.2.1 Minimum roof rafter sizes. Roof rafter size and thickness shall be determined in accordance with the limits set forth in Table R804.3.2.1(1) based on the horizontal projection of the roof rafter span. For determination of roof rafter sizes, reduction of roof spans shall be permitted where a roof rafter support brace is installed in accordance with Section R804.3.2.2. The reduced roof rafter span shall be taken as the larger of the distances from the roof rafter support brace to the ridge or to the heel measured horizontally.

R804.3.2.1.1 Eave overhang. Eave overhangs shall not exceed 610 mm (24 inches) measured horizontally. **R804.3.2.1.2 Rake overhangs.** Rake overhangs shall not exceed 305 mm (12 inches) measured horizontally.

Outlookers at gable endwalls shall be installed in accordance with Figure R804.3.2.1.2.

R804.3.2.2 Roof rafter support brace. Where used to reduce roof rafter spans in determining roof rafter sizes, a roof rafter support brace shall meet all of the following conditions:

1. Minimum 350S162-33 C-shaped brace member with maximum length of 2438 mm (8 feet).
2. Minimum brace member slope of 45 degrees (0.785 rad) to the horizontal.
3. Minimum connection of brace to a roof rafter and ceiling joist with four No.10 screws at each end.
4. Maximum 150 mm (6 inches) between brace/ceiling joist connection and load-bearing wall below.
5. Each roof rafter support brace greater than 1200 mm (4 feet) in length, shall be braced with a supplemental brace having a minimum size of 350S162-33 or 350T162-33 such that the maximum unsupported length of the roof rafter support brace is 1200 mm (4 feet). The supplemental brace shall be continuous and shall be connected to each roof rafter support brace using two No. 8 screws.



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D NOTE: ROOF SHEATHING JOINTS PARALLEL TO THE GABLE ENDWALL ARE NOT PERMITTED IN THIS REGION UNLESS AN APPROVE
TENSION TIE IS PROVIDED.

**FIGURE R804.3.2.1.2
GABLE ENDWALL OVERHANG DETAILS**

TABLE R804.3.2.1(1) NA



TABLE R804.3.2.1(2) NA

R804.3.2.3 Roof rafter splice. Roof rafters shall not be spliced.

R804.3.2.4 Roof rafter to ceiling joist and ridge member connection. Roof rafters shall be connected to a parallel ceiling joist to form a continuous tie between exterior walls in accordance with Figure R804.3.1.1 and Table R804.3.1.1(3). Ceiling joists shall be connected to the top track of the load-bearing wall in accordance with Table R804.3, either with the required number of No. 10 screws applied through the flange of the ceiling joist or by using a 1.37 mm (54-mil clip angle with the required number of No.10 screws in each leg. Roof rafters shall be connected to a ridge member with a minimum 51 mm by 51 mm (2-inch by 2-inch) clip angle fastened with No. 10 screws to the ridge member in accordance with Figure R804.3.2.4 and Table R804.3.2.4. The clip angle shall have a steel thickness equivalent to or greater than the roof rafter thickness and shall extend the depth of the roof rafter member to the extent possible. The ridge member shall be fabricated from a C-shaped member and a track section that shall have a minimum size and steel thickness equivalent to or greater than that of adjacent roof rafters and shall be installed in accordance with

Figure R804.3.2.4. The ridge member shall extend the full depth of the sloped roof rafter cut.

R804.3.2.5 Roof rafter bottom flange bracing. The bottom flanges of roof rafters shall be continuously braced, at a maximum spacing of 2,450 mm (8 feet) as measured parallel to the roof rafters, with one of the following members:

1. Minimum 0.84 mm (33-mil) C-shaped member.
2. Minimum 0.84 mm (33-mil) track section.
3. Minimum 38 mm by 0.84 mm (1½-inch by 33-mil) steel strap.

The bracing element shall be fastened to the bottom flange of each roof rafter with one No. 8 screw and shall be fastened to blocking with two No. 8 screws. Blocking shall be installed between roof rafters in-line with the continuous bracing at a maximum spacing of 3,660 mm (12 feet) measured perpendicular to the roof rafters. The ends of continuous bracing shall be fastened to blocking or anchored to a stable building component with two No. 8 screws.

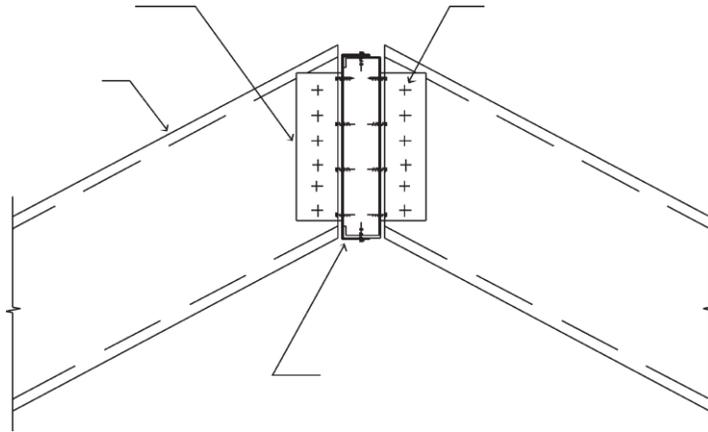
R804.3.3 Cutting and notching. Flanges and lips of load-bearing, cold-formed steel roof framing members shall not be cut or notched.

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CLIP ANGLE

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NO. 10 SCREWS IN EACH LEG OF CLIP ANGLE

HIP MEMBER OR RIDGE MEMBER: C-SHAPE INSIDE
A TRACK SECTION FASTENED WITH NO. 10 SCREWS AT 610 mm. O.C. THROUGH TOP AND
BOTTOM FLANGES

FIGURE R804.3.2.4 NA

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R804.3.4 Headers. Roof-ceiling framing above wall openings shall be supported on headers. The allowable spans for headers in load-bearing walls shall not exceed the values set forth in Section R603.6 and Tables R603.6(1) through R603.6(6).

R804.3.5 Framing of openings in roofs and ceilings. Openings in roofs and ceilings shall be framed with header and trimmer joists. Header joist spans shall not exceed 1,220 mm (4 feet) in length. Header and trimmer joists shall be fabricated from joist and track members having a minimum size and thickness equivalent to the adjacent ceiling joists or roof rafters and shall be installed in accordance with Figures R804.3.5(1) and R804.3.5(2). Each header joist shall be connected to trimmer joists with not less than four 51 mm by 51 mm (2-inch by 2-inch) clip angles. Each clip angle shall be fastened to both the header and trimmer joists with four No. 8 screws, evenly spaced, through each leg of the clip angle. The steel thickness of the clip angles shall be not less than that of the ceiling joist or roof rafter. Each track section for a built-up header or trimmer joist shall extend the full length of the joist (continuous).

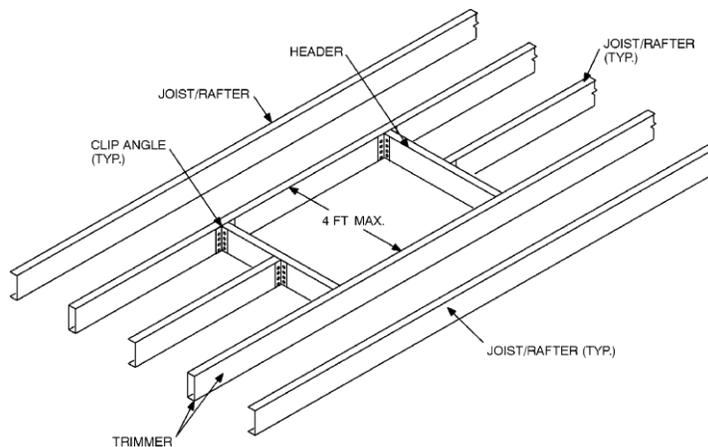
R804.3.6 Roof trusses. Cold-formed steel trusses shall be designed and installed in accordance with AISI S240. In the absence of specific bracing requirements, trusses shall be braced in accordance with accepted industry practices, such as the SBCA *Cold-Formed Steel Building Component Safety Information (CFSBCSI) Guide to Good Practice for Handling, Installing & Bracing of Cold-Formed Steel Trusses*. Trusses shall be connected to the top track of the load-bearing wall in accordance with Table R804.3, either with two No. 10 screws applied through the flange

of the truss or by using a 1.37 mm (54-mil) clip angle with two No. 10 screws in each leg.

R804.3.7 Ceiling and roof diaphragms. Ceiling and roof diaphragms shall be in accordance with this section.

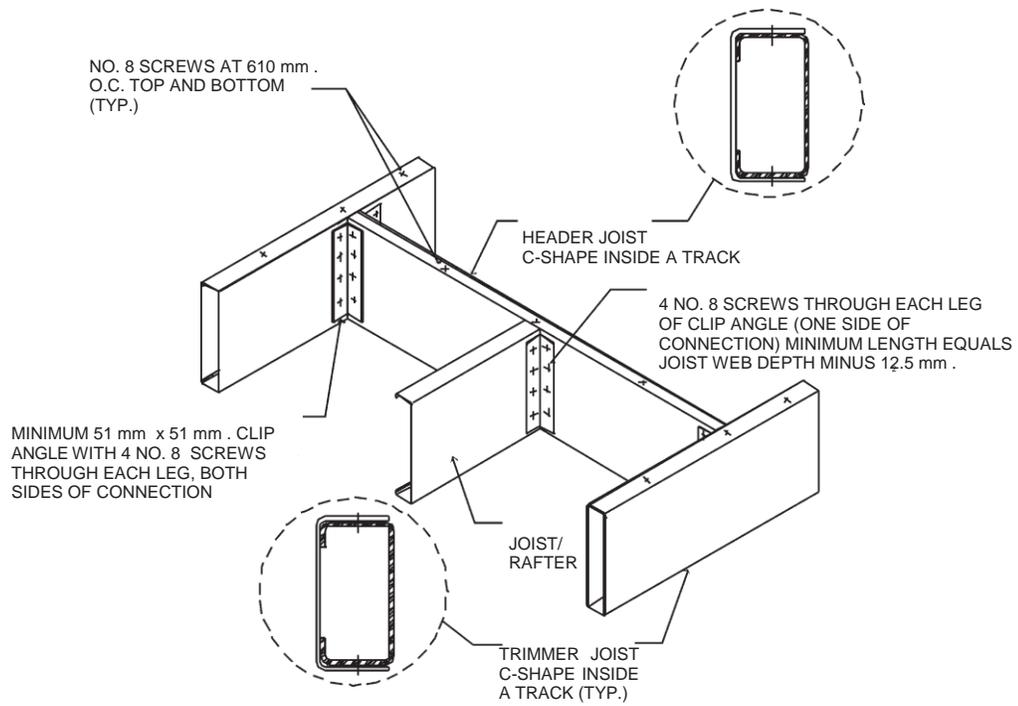
R804.3.7.1 Ceiling diaphragms. At gable endwalls a ceiling *diaphragm* shall be provided by attaching a minimum 12.5 mm ($\frac{1}{2}$ -inch) gypsum board or a minimum 9.5 mm ($\frac{3}{8}$ -inch) wood structural panel sheathing, that complies with Section R803, to the bottom of ceiling joists or roof trusses and connected to wall framing in accordance with Figures R804.3.7.1(1) and R804.3.7.1(2), unless studs are designed as full height without bracing at the ceiling. Flat blocking shall consist of C-shaped or track section with a minimum thickness of 33 mils (0.84 mm). For a gypsum board sheathed ceiling, the diaphragm length shall be in accordance with Table R804.3.7.1. For a wood structural panel sheathed ceiling, the diaphragm length shall be not less than 3,660 mm (12 feet) for building widths less than 10,980 mm (36 feet), or not less than 4,270 mm (14 feet) for building widths greater than or equal to 10,980 mm (36 feet).

The ceiling diaphragm shall be secured with screws spaced at a maximum 150 mm (6 inches) o.c. at panel edges and a maximum 305 mm (12 inches) o.c. in the field. The required lengths in Table R804.3.7.1 for gypsum board sheathed ceiling diaphragms shall be permitted to be multiplied by 0.35 if all panel edges are blocked. Multiplying the required lengths in Table R804.3.7.1 for gypsum board sheathed ceiling diaphragms by 0.9 shall be permitted if all panel edges are secured with screws spaced at 102 mm (4 inches) o.c.



For Inch Pound Units : 1
mm= 0.00328 foot .

FIGURE R804.3.5(1)
ROOF OR CEILING OPENING



For Inch Pound Unit: 1 mm= 0.03937 inch .

**FIGURE R804.3.5(2)
HEADER TO TRIMMER CONNECTION**

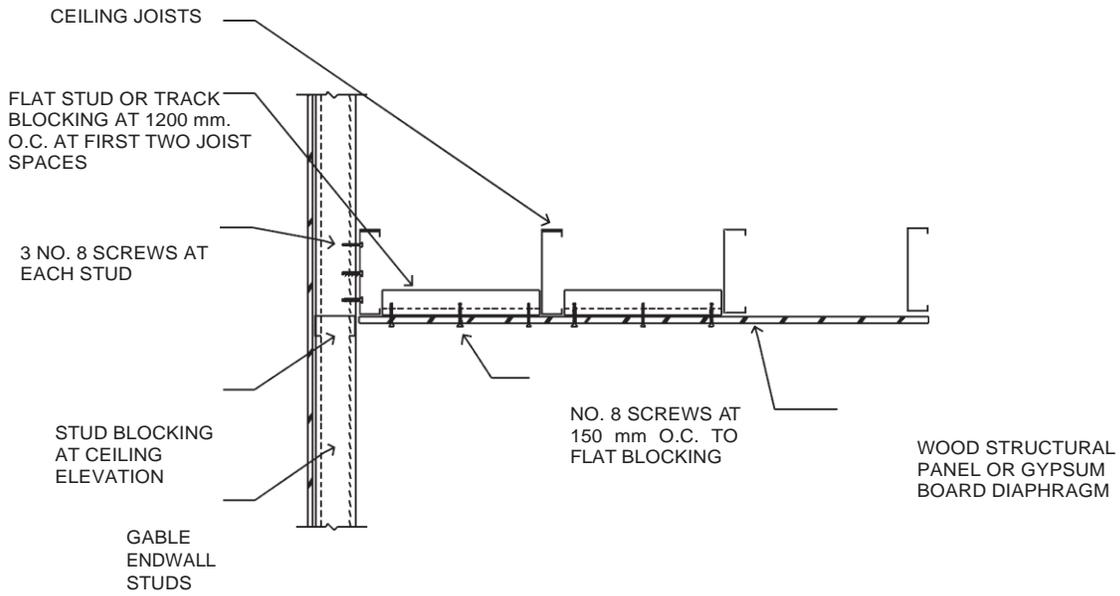
**TABLE R804.3.7.1
REQUIRED LENGTHS FOR CEILING DIAPHRAGMS AT GABLE ENDWALLS
GYPSUM BOARD SHEATHED, CEILING HEIGHT = 2438 mm ^{a, b, c, d, e, f, g}**

EXPOSURE CATEGORY		ULTIMATE DESIGN WIND SPEED (m/s)					
		51	54	58	< 63	—	—
B		—	—	51	54	58	< 63
C		—	—	51	54	58	< 63
Roof pitch	Building endwall width (mm)	Minimum diaphragm length (mm)					
3:12 to 6:12	>7300 - 8550	4850	5450	7300	7900	9150	10350
	> 8850 - 9750	6100	6100	7900	9750	10350	12200
6:12	> 9750 - 10950	7300	7900	9150	10950	12800	14000
	> 10950 - 12200	7900	8550	10950	12200	14650	15850
6:12 to 9:12	>7300 - 8550	6100	6100	7900	9150	10350	11550
	> 8850 - 9750	7300	7900	9150	10950	12800	14000
9:12	> 9750 - 10950	7900	9150	11550	12800	14650	16450
	> 10950 - 12200	9150	10350	12200	15250	17050	18900
9:12 to 12:12	> 7300 - 8550	6700	7300	9150	10350	11550	13400
	> 8850 - 9750	7900	8850	10950	12200	14000	15850
12:12	> 9750 - 10950	9150	9750	12200	14650	16450	18900
	> 10950 - 12200	10950	11550	14650	17050	19500	21950

For Inch Pound Units : 1 mm= 0.03937 inch , 1 KPa= 20.89 pound per square foot , 1 m/s= 2.2 mile per hour , 1 mm= 0.00328 foot , 1 mil = 0.0254 mm.

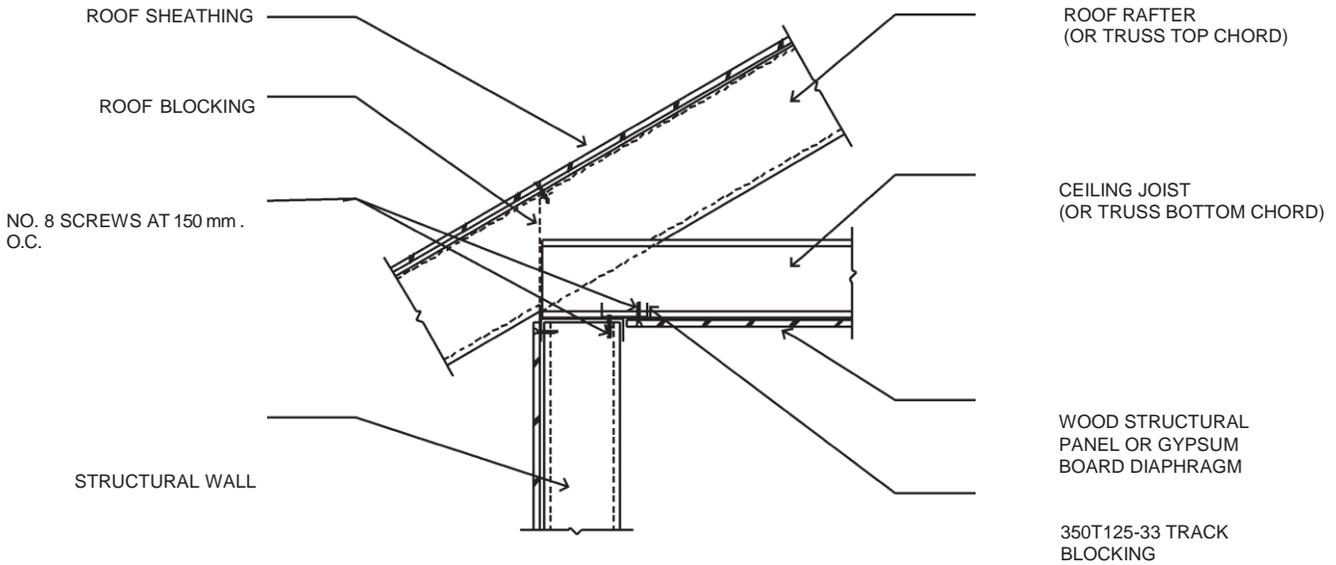
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- a. Ceiling diaphragm is composed of 12.5 mm ($\frac{1}{2}$ -inch) gypsum board (min. thickness) secured with screws spaced at 150 mm (6 inches) o.c. at panel edges and 305 mm (12 inches) o.c. infield. Use No. 8 screws (min.) where framing members have a designation thickness of 54 mils or less and No. 10 screws (min.) where framing members have a designation thickness greater than 54 mils.
- b. Maximum aspect ratio (length/width) of diaphragms is 2:1.
- c. Building width is in the direction of horizontal framing members supported by the wall studs.
- d. Required diaphragm lengths are to be provided at each end of the structure.
- e. Multiplying required diaphragm lengths by 0.35 is permitted if all panel edges are blocked.
- f. Multiplying required diaphragm lengths by 0.9 is permitted if all panel edges are secured with screws spaced at 102 mm (4 inches) o.c.
- g. To determine the minimum diaphragm length for buildings with ceiling heights of 2750 mm (9 feet) or 3050 mm (10 feet) values in this table shall be multiplied by 1.15.



For Inch Pound Units : 1 mm=
0.03937 inch .

FIGURE R804.3.7.1(1)
CEILING DIAPHRAGM TO GABLE ENDWALL DETAIL



For Inch Pound Units : 1 mm=
0.03937 inch .

FIGURE R804.3.7.1(2)
CEILING DIAPHRAGM TO SIDEWALL DETAIL

R804.3.7.2 Roof diaphragm. A roof *diaphragm* shall be provided by attaching not less than 9.55 mm (³/₈-inch) wood structural panel that complies with Section R803

to roof rafters or truss top chords in accordance with Table R804.3. Buildings with 3:1 or larger plan *aspect ratio* and with roof rafter slope (pitch) of 9:12 or larger shall have the roof rafters and ceiling joists blocked in accordance with Figure R804.3.7.2.

R804.3.8 Roof tie-down. Roof assemblies shall be connected to walls below in accordance with Table R804.3. A continuous load path shall be provided to transfer uplift loads to the foundation.

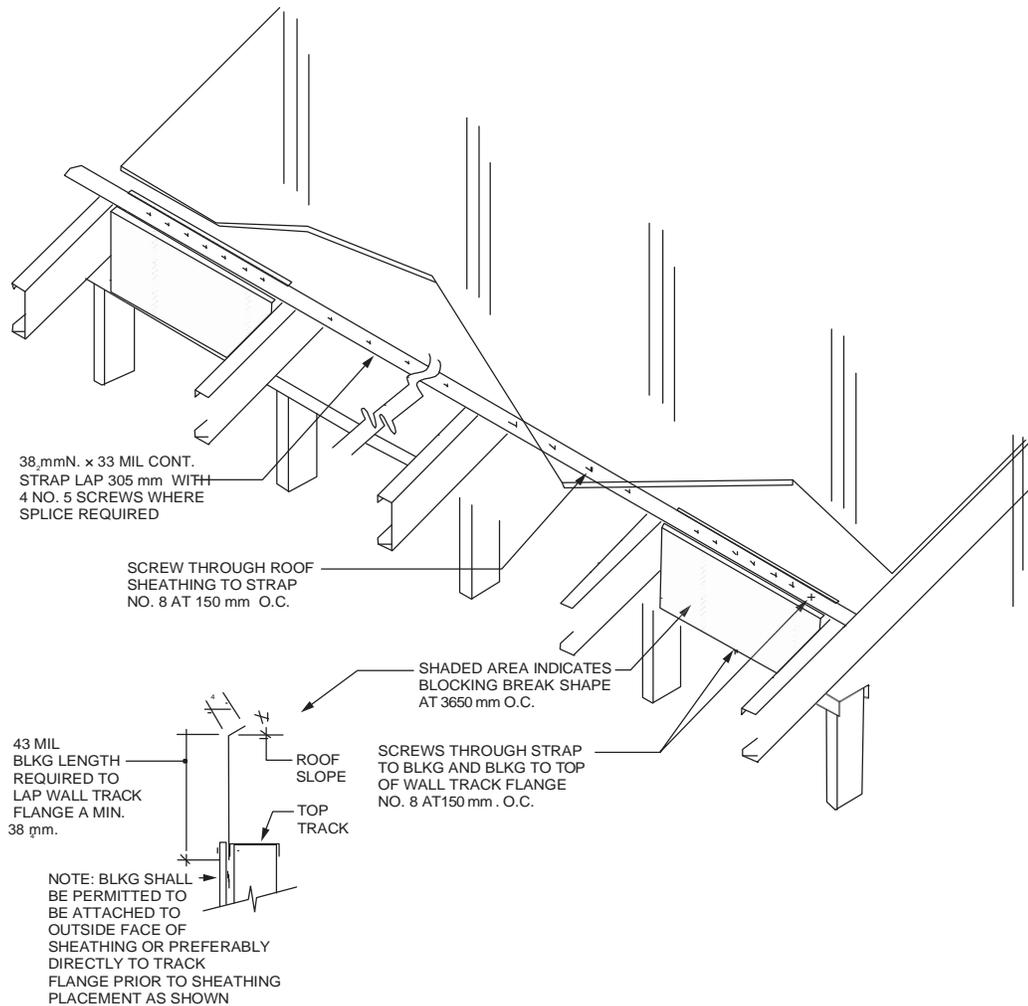
**SECTION R805
CEILING FINISHES**

R805.1 Ceiling installation. Ceilings shall be installed in accordance with the requirements for interior wall finishes as provided in Section R702.

**SECTION R806
ROOF VENTILATION**

R806.1 Ventilation required. Enclosed attics and enclosed rafter spaces formed where ceilings are applied directly to the underside of roof rafters shall have cross ventilation for each separate space by ventilating openings protected against the entrance of rain or snow. Ventilation openings shall have a least dimension of 2 mm (¹/₁₆ inch) minimum and 6.35 mm (¹/₄ inch)

maximum. Ventilation openings having a least dimension larger than 6.35 mm (¹/₄ inch) shall be provided with corrosion-resistant wire cloth screening, hardware cloth, perforated vinyl or similar material with openings having a least dimension of 2 mm (¹/₁₆ inch) minimum and 6.35 mm (¹/₄ inch) maximum. Openings in roof framing members shall conform to the requirements of Section R802.7. Required ventilation openings shall open directly to the outside air and shall be protected to prevent the entry of birds, rodents, snakes and other similar creatures.



For Inch Pound Units : 1 mil = 0.0254 mm, 1 mm = 0.03937 inch .

**FIGURE R804.3.7.2
ROOF BLOCKING DETAIL**

R806.2 Minimum vent area. The minimum net free ventilating area shall be $\frac{1}{150}$ of the area of the vented space.

Exception: The minimum net free ventilation area shall be $\frac{1}{300}$ of the vented space provided both of the following conditions are met:

1. In Climate Zones 6, 7 and 8, a Class I or II vapor retarder is installed on the warm-in-winter side of the ceiling.
2. Not less than 40 percent and not more than 50 percent of the required ventilating area is provided by ventilators located in the upper portion of the attic or rafter space. Upper ventilators shall be located not more than 915 mm (3 feet) below the ridge or highest point of the space, measured vertically. The balance of the required ventilation provided shall be located in the bottom one-third of the *attic* space. Where the location of wall or roof framing members conflicts with the installation of upper ventilators, installation more than 915 mm (3 feet) below the ridge or highest point of the space shall be permitted.

R806.3 Vent and insulation clearance. Where eave or cornice vents are installed, blocking, bridging and insulation shall not block the free flow of air. Not less than a 25 mm (1-inch) space shall be provided between the insulation and the roof sheathing and at the location of the vent.

R806.4 Installation and weather protection. Ventilators shall be installed in accordance with manufacturer's instructions. Installation of ventilators in roof systems shall be in accordance with the requirements of Section R903. Installation of ventilators in wall systems shall be in accordance with the requirements of Section R703.1.

R806.5 Unvented attic and unvented enclosed rafter assemblies. Unvented *attics* and unvented enclosed rafter framing assemblies created by ceilings that are applied directly to the underside of the roof framing members and structural roof sheathing applied directly to the top of the roof framing members/rafters, shall be permitted where all the following conditions are met:

1. The unvented *attic* space is completely within the *building thermal envelope*.
2. Interior Class I vapor retarders are not installed on the ceiling side (*attic* floor) of the unvented *attic* assembly or on the ceiling side of the unvented enclosed roof framing assembly.
3. Where wood shingles or shakes are used, a minimum 6.35 mm ($\frac{1}{4}$ -inch) vented airspace separates the shingles or shakes and the roofing underlayment above the structural sheathing.
4. In Climate Zones 5, 6, 7 and 8, any *air-impermeable insulation* shall be a Class II vapor retarder, or shall have a Class II vapor retarder coating or covering in direct contact with the underside of the insulation.
5. Insulation shall comply with Item 5.3 and either Item 5.1 or 5.2:

5.1. Item 5.1.1, 5.1.2, 5.1.3 or 5.1.4 shall be met, depending on the air permeability of the insulation directly under the structural roof sheathing.

5.1.1. Where only *air-impermeable insulation* is provided, it shall be applied in direct contact with the underside of the structural roof sheathing.

5.1.2. Where *air-permeable insulation* is installed directly below the structural sheathing, rigid board or sheet insulation shall be installed directly above the structural roof sheathing in accordance with the *R*-values in Table R806.5 for condensation control.

5.1.3. Where both *air-impermeable* and *air-permeable insulation* are provided, the *air-impermeable insulation* shall be applied in direct contact with the underside of the structural roof sheathing in accordance with Item 5.1.1 and shall be in accordance with the *R*-values in Table R806.5 for condensation control. The *air-permeable insulation* shall be installed directly under the *air-impermeable insulation*.

5.1.4. Alternatively, sufficient rigid board or sheet insulation shall be installed directly above the structural roof sheathing to maintain the monthly average temperature of the underside of the structural roof sheathing above 7° (45°F). For calculation purposes, an interior air temperature of 20°C (68°F) is assumed and the exterior air temperature is assumed to be the monthly average outside air temperature of the three coldest months.

5.2. In Climate Zones 1, 2 and 3, air-permeable insulation installed in unvented *attics* shall meet the following requirements:

5.2.1. An approved *vapor diffusion port* shall be installed not more than 305 mm (12 inches) from the highest point of the roof, measured vertically from the highest point of the roof to the lower edge of the port.

5.2.2. The port area shall be greater than or equal to 1:600 of the ceiling area. Where there are multiple ports in the *attic*, the sum of the port areas shall be greater than or equal to the area requirement.

5.2.3. The vapor-permeable membrane in the *vapor diffusion port* shall have a vapor permeance rating of greater than or equal to 20 perms when tested in

accordance with Procedure A of ASTM E96.

- 5.2.4. The *vapor diffusion port* shall serve as an air barrier between the *attic* and the exterior of the building.
 - 5.2.5. The *vapor diffusion port* shall protect the *attic* against the entrance of rain.
 - 5.2.6. Framing members and blocking shall not block the free flow of water vapor to the port. Not less than a 51 mm (2-inch) space shall be provided between any blocking and the roof sheathing. Air-permeable insulation shall be permitted within that space.
 - 5.2.7. The roof slope shall be greater than or equal to 3:12 (vertical/horizontal).
 - 5.2.8. Where only air-permeable insulation is used, it shall be installed directly below the structural roof sheathing.
 - 5.2.9. *Air-impermeable insulation*, if any, shall be directly above or below the structural roof sheathing and is not required to meet the *R*-value in Table 806.5. Where directly below the structural roof sheathing, there shall be no space between the *air-impermeable insulation* and air-permeable insulation.
 - 5.2.10. The air shall be supplied at a flow rate greater than or equal to 23.6 L/s per 93 m² (50 CFM per 1,000 square feet) of ceiling. The air shall be supplied from ductwork providing supply air to the occupiable space when the conditioning system is operating. Alternatively, the air shall be supplied by a supply fan when the conditioning system is operating.
- 5.3. Where preformed insulation board is used as the air-impermeable insulation layer, it shall be sealed at the perimeter of each individual sheet interior surface to form a continuous layer.

**TABLE R806.5
INSULATION FOR CONDENSATION CONTROL**

CLIMATE ZONE	MINIMUM RIGID BOARD ON AIR-IMPERMEABLE INSULATION R-VALUE ^{a, b}
2B and 3B tile roof only	0 (none required)
1, 2A, 2B, 3A, 3B, 3C	0.88 m ² . K/W (R-5)
4C	1.76 m ² . K/W (R-10)
4A, 4B	2.64 m ² . K/W (R-15)
5	3.52 m ² . K/W (R-20)
6	4.40 m ² . K/W (R-25)
7	5.28 m ² . K/W (R-30)
8	6.16 m ² . K/W (R-35)

- a. Contributes to but does not supersede the requirements in Section N1102.
- b. Alternatively, sufficient continuous insulation shall be installed directly above the structural roof sheathing to maintain the monthly average temperature of the underside of the structural roof sheathing above 7°C (45°F). For calculation purposes, an interior air temperature of 20°C (68°F) is assumed and the exterior air temperature is assumed to be the monthly average outside air temperature of the three coldest months.

**SECTION R807
ATTIC ACCESS**

R807.1 Attic access. Buildings with combustible ceiling or roof construction shall have an *attic* access opening to *attic* areas that have a vertical height of 760 mm (30 inches) or greater over an area of not less than 2.8 m² (30 square feet). The vertical height shall be measured from the top of the ceiling framing members to the underside of the roof framing members.

The rough-framed opening shall be not less than 560 mm by 760 mm (22 inches by 30 inches) and shall be located in a hallway or other location with *ready access*. Where located in a wall, the opening shall be not less than 560 mm wide by 760 mm (22 inches wide by 30 inches high). Where the access is located in a ceiling, minimum unobstructed headroom in the *attic* space shall be 760 mm (30 inches) at some point above the access measured vertically from the bottom of ceiling framing members. See Section M1305.1.3 for access requirements where mechanical *equipment* is located in *attics*.

CHAPTER 9

ROOF ASSEMBLIES

User note:

About this chapter: Chapter 9 addresses the design and construction of roof assemblies. A roof assembly includes the roof deck, substrate or thermal barrier, insulation, vapor retarder and roof covering. This chapter provides the requirement for wind resistance of roof coverings. The types of roof covering materials and installation addressed by Chapter 9 are: asphalt shingles, clay and concrete tile, metal roof shingles, mineral-surfaced roll roofing, slate and slate-type shingles, wood shakes and shingles, metal roof panels, modified bitumen roofing, liquid applied coatings and photovoltaic shingles. Chapter 9 also provides requirements for roof drainage, flashing, above-deck thermal insulation, rooftop-mounted photovoltaic systems and recovering or replacing an existing roof covering.

SECTION R901 GENERAL

R901.1 Scope. The provisions of this chapter shall govern the design, materials, construction and quality of roof assemblies.

SECTION R902 FIRE CLASSIFICATION

R902.1 Roofing covering materials. Roofs shall be covered with materials as set forth in Sections R904 and R905. Class A, B or C roofing shall be installed as designated by law or where the edge of the roof is less than 915 mm (3 feet) from a lot line. Class A, B and C roofing required by this section to be listed shall be tested in accordance with UL 790 or ASTM E108.

Exceptions:

1. Class A roof assemblies include those with coverings of brick, masonry and exposed concrete roof deck.
2. Class A roof assemblies include ferrous or copper shingles or sheets, metal sheets and shingles, clay or concrete roof tile, or slate installed on noncombustible decks.
3. Class A roof assemblies include minimum 4.88 kg/m² (16 ounces per square foot) copper sheets installed over combustible decks.
4. Class A roof assemblies include slate installed over *underlayment* over combustible decks.

R902.2 Fire-retardant-treated shingles and shakes. Fire-retardant-treated wood shakes and shingles shall be treated by impregnation with chemicals by the full-cell vacuum-pressure process, in accordance with AWPA C1. Each bundle shall be marked to identify the manufactured unit and the manufacturer, and shall be *labelled* to identify the classification of the material in accordance with the testing required in Section R902.1, the treating company and the quality control agency.

R902.3 Building-integrated photovoltaic product. Building-integrated photovoltaic products installed as the roof covering shall be tested, listed and labelled for fire classification in accordance with Section R902.1.

R902.4 Rooftop-mounted photovoltaic panel systems. Rooftop-mounted *photovoltaic panel systems* installed on or

above the roof covering shall be tested, listed and identified with a fire classification in accordance with UL1703 and UL 2703. Class A, B or C *photovoltaic panel systems* and modules shall be installed where their use is required or where the edge of the roof is less than 915 mm (3 feet) from a lot line.

SECTION R903 WEATHER PROTECTION

R903.1 General. Roof decks shall be covered with *approved* roof coverings secured to the building or structure in accordance with the provisions of this chapter. Roof assemblies shall be designed and installed in accordance with this code and the *approved* manufacturer's instructions such that the *roof assembly* shall serve to protect the building or structure.

R903.2 Flashing. Flashings shall be installed in a manner that prevents moisture from entering the wall and roof through joints in copings, through moisture permeable materials and at intersections with parapet walls and other penetrations through the roof plane.

R903.2.1 Locations. Flashings shall be installed at wall and roof intersections, wherever there is a change in roof slope or direction and around roof openings. A flashing shall be installed to divert the water away from where the eave of a sloped roof intersects a vertical sidewall. Where flashing is of metal, the metal shall be corrosion resistant with a thickness of not less than 0.5 mm (0.019 inch) (No. 26 galvanized sheet).

R903.2.2 Crickets and saddles. A cricket or saddle shall be installed on the ridge side of any chimney or penetration more than 760 mm (30 inches) wide as measured perpendicular to the slope. Cricket or saddle coverings shall be sheet metal or of the same material as the roof covering.

Exception: Unit skylights installed in accordance with Section R308.6 and flashed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions shall be permitted to be installed without a cricket or saddle.

R903.3 Coping. Parapet walls shall be properly coped with noncombustible, weatherproof materials of a width not less than the thickness of the parapet wall.

R903.4 Roof drainage. Unless roofs are sloped to drain over roof edges, roof drains shall be installed at each low point of the roof.

R903.4.1 Secondary (emergency overflow) drains or scuppers. Where roof drains are required, secondary emergency overflow roof drains or scuppers shall be provided where the roof perimeter construction extends above the roof in such a manner that water will be entrapped if the primary drains allow buildup for any reason. Overflow drains having the same size as the roof drains shall be installed with the inlet flow line located 51 mm (2 inches) above the low point of the roof, or overflow scuppers having three times the size of the roof drains and having a minimum opening height of 100 mm (4 inches) shall be installed in the adjacent parapet walls with the inlet flow located 51 mm (2 inches) above the low point of the roof served. The installation and sizing of overflow drains, leaders and conductors shall comply with Sections 1106 and 1108 of the *Jamaica Plumbing Code*, as applicable.

Overflow drains shall discharge to an *approved* location and shall not be connected to roof drain lines.

SECTION R904 MATERIALS

R904.1 Scope. The requirements set forth in this section shall apply to the application of roof covering materials specified herein. Roof assemblies shall be applied in accordance with this chapter and the manufacturer's installation instructions. Installation of roof assemblies shall comply with the applicable provisions of Section R905.

R904.2 Compatibility of materials. Roof assemblies shall be of materials that are compatible with each other and with the building or structure to which the materials are applied.

R904.3 Material specifications and physical characteristics. Roof covering materials shall conform to the applicable standards listed in this chapter.

R904.4 Product identification. Roof covering materials shall be delivered in packages bearing the manufacturer's identifying marks and *approved* testing agency *labels* required. Bulk shipments of materials shall be accompanied by the same information issued in the form of a certificate or on a bill of lading by the manufacturer.

SECTION R905 REQUIREMENTS FOR ROOF COVERINGS

R905.1 Roof covering application. Roof coverings shall be applied in accordance with the applicable provisions of this section and the manufacturer's installation instructions. Unless otherwise specified in this section, roof coverings shall be installed to resist the component and cladding loads

specified in Table R301.2(2), adjusted for height and exposure in accordance with Table R301.2(3).

R905.1.1 Underlayment. *Underlayment* for asphalt shingles, clay and concrete tile, metal roof shingles, mineral-surfaced roll roofing, slate and slate-type shingles, wood shingles, wood shakes, metal roof panels and *photovoltaic shingles* shall conform to the applicable standards listed in this chapter. *Underlayment* materials required to comply with ASTM D226, D1970, D4869 and D6757 shall bear a label indicating compliance to the standard designation and, if applicable, type classification indicated in Table R905.1.1(1). *Underlayment* shall be applied in accordance with Table R905.1.1(2). *Underlayment* shall be attached in accordance with Table R905.1.1(3).

Exceptions:

1. As an alternative, self-adhering polymer-modified bitumen *underlayment* complying with ASTM D1970 installed in accordance with both the *underlayment* manufacturer's and roof covering manufacturer's instructions for the deck material, roof ventilation configuration and climate exposure for the roof covering to be installed, shall be permitted.
2. As an alternative, a minimum 100 mm (4-inch)-wide strip of self-adhering polymer-modified bitumen membrane complying with ASTM D1970, installed in accordance with the *manufacturer's installation instructions* for the deck material, shall be applied over all joints in the roof decking. An *approved underlayment* for the applicable roof covering for maximum ultimate design wind speeds, V_{ult} , less than 63 m/s (140 miles per) hour shall be applied over the entire roof over the 100 mm (4-inch)-wide membrane strips.
3. As an alternative, two layers of *underlayment* complying with ASTM D226 Type II or ASTM D4869 Type III or Type IV shall be permitted to be installed as follows in 3.1–3.4:
 - 3.1. Apply a 483 mm (19-inch)-wide strip of *underlayment* parallel with the eave. Starting at the eave, apply 915 mm (36-inch)-wide strips of *underlayment* felt, overlapping successive sheets 483 mm (19 inches) . End laps shall be 100 mm (4 inches) and shall be offset by 1,830 mm (6 feet).
 - 3.2. The *underlayment* shall be attached with corrosion-resistant fasteners in a grid pattern of 305 mm (12 inches) between side laps with a 150 mm (6-inch) spacing at side and end laps.

**TABLE R905.1.1(1)
UNDERLAYMENT TYPES**

ROOF COVERING	SECTION	MAXIMUM ULTIMATE DESIGN WIND SPEED, $V_{ult} < 63$ m/s	MAXIMUM ULTIMATE DESIGN WIND SPEED, $V_{ult} \geq 63$ m/s
Asphalt shingles	R905.2	ASTM D226 Type I ASTM D4869 Type I, II, III or IV ASTM D6757	ASTM D226 Type II ASTM D4869 Type III or Type IV ASTM D6757
Clay and concrete tile	R905.3	ASTM D226 Type II ASTM D2626 Type I ASTM D6380 Class M mineral-surfaced roll roofing	ASTM D226 Type II ASTM D2626 Type I ASTM D6380 Class M mineral-surfaced roll roofing
Metal roof shingles	R905.4	ASTM D226 Type I or II ASTM D4869 Type I, II, III or IV	ASTM D226 Type II ASTM D4869 Type III or Type IV
Mineral-surfaced roll roofing	R905.5	ASTM D226 Type I or II ASTM D4869 Type I, II, III or IV	ASTM D226 Type II ASTM D4869 Type III or Type IV
Slate and slate-type shingles	R905.6	ASTM D226 Type I ASTM D4869 Type I, II, III or IV	ASTM D226 Type II ASTM D4869 Type III or Type IV
Wood shingles	R905.7	ASTM D226 Type I or II ASTM D4869 Type I, II, III or IV	ASTM D226 Type II ASTM D4869 Type III or Type IV
Wood shakes	R905.8	ASTM D226 Type I or II ASTM D4869 Type I, II, III or IV	ASTM D226 Type II ASTM D4869 Type III or Type IV
Metal panels	R905.10	Manufacturer's instructions	ASTM D226 Type II ASTM D4869 Type III or Type IV
Photovoltaic shingles	R905.16	ASTM D4869 Type I, II, III or IV ASTM D6757	ASTM D4869 Type III or Type IV ASTM D6757

For Inch Pound Units: 1 m/s= 2.2 mile per hour .

**TABLE R905.1.1(2)
UNDERLAYMENT APPLICATION**

ROOF COVERING	SECTION	MAXIMUM ULTIMATE DESIGN WIND SPEED, $V_{ult} < 63$ m/s	MAXIMUM ULTIMATE DESIGN WIND SPEED, $V_{ult} \geq 63$ m/s
Asphalt shingles	R905.2	<p>For roof slopes from two units vertical in 12 units horizontal (2:12), up to four units vertical in 12 units horizontal (4:12), underlayment shall be two layers applied in the following manner: apply a 483 mm strip of underlayment felt parallel to and starting at the eaves. Starting at the eave, apply 915 mm-wide sheets of underlayment, overlapping successive sheets 483 mm. Distortions in the underlayment shall not interfere with the ability of the shingles to seal. End laps shall be 102 mm and shall be offset by 1828 mm.</p> <p>For roof slopes of four units vertical in 12 units horizontal (4:12) or greater, underlayment shall be one layer applied in the following manner: underlayment shall be applied shingle fashion, parallel to and starting from the eave and lapped 51 mm, Distortions in the underlayment shall not interfere with the ability of the shingles to seal. End laps shall be 102 mm and shall be offset by 1828 mm.</p>	Same as Maximum Ultimate Design Wind Speed, $V_{ult} < 63$ mm except all laps shall be not less than 102 mm.

**TABLE R905.1.1(2)—continued
UNDERLAYMENT APPLICATION**

ROOF COVERING	SECTION	MAXIMUM ULTIMATE DESIGN WIND SPEED, $V_{ult} < 63$ m/s	MAXIMUM ULTIMATE DESIGN WIND SPEED, $V_{ult} \geq 63$ m/s
Clay and concrete tile	R905.3	<p>For roof slopes from two and one-half units vertical in 12 units horizontal ($2\frac{1}{2}:12$), up to four units vertical in 12 units horizontal (4:12), underlayment shall be not fewer than two layers applied as follows: starting at the eave, apply a 483 mm strip of underlayment parallel with the eave. Starting at the eave, apply 915 mm-wide strips of underlayment felt, overlapping successive sheets 19 inches. End laps shall be 102 mm and shall be offset by 1828 mm.</p> <p>For roof slopes of four units vertical in 12 units horizontal (4:12) or greater, underlayment shall be not fewer than one layer of underlayment felt applied shingle fashion, parallel to and starting from the eaves and lapped 51 mm. End laps shall be 102 mm and shall be offset by 1828 mm.</p>	<p>Same as Maximum Ultimate Design Wind Speed, $V_{ult} < 63$ m/s, except all laps shall be not less than 4 inches.</p>
Metal roof shingles	R905.4	<p>Apply in accordance with the manufacturer’s installation instructions.</p>	<p>For roof slopes from two units vertical in 12 units horizontal (2:12), up to four units vertical in 12 units horizontal (4:12), underlayment shall be two layers applied in the following manner: apply a 483 mm strip of underlayment felt parallel to and starting at the eaves. Starting at the eave, apply 915 mm-wide sheets of underlayment, overlapping successive sheets 483 mm. End laps shall be 4 inches and shall be offset by 6 feet.</p> <p>For roof slopes of four units vertical in 12 units horizontal (4:12) or greater, underlayment shall be one layer applied in the following manner: underlayment shall be applied shingle fashion, parallel to and starting from the eave and lapped 4 inches. End laps shall be 102 mm and shall be offset by 1828 mm.</p>
Mineral-surfaced roll roofing	R905.5		
Slate and slate-type shingles	R905.6		
Wood shingles	R905.7		
Wood shakes	R905.8		
Metal panels	R905.10		
Photovoltaic shingles	R905.16	<p>For roof slopes from two units vertical in 12 units horizontal (2:12), up to four units vertical in 12 units horizontal (4:12), underlayment shall be two layers applied in the following manner: apply a 483 mm strip of underlayment felt parallel to and starting at the eaves. Starting at the eave, apply 915 mm-wide sheets of underlayment, overlapping successive sheets 483 mm. Distortions in the underlayment shall not interfere with the ability of the shingles to seal. End laps shall be 102 mm and shall be offset by 1828 mm. For roof slopes of four units vertical in 12 units horizontal (4:12) or greater, underlayment shall be one layer applied in the following manner: underlayment shall be applied shingle fashion, parallel to and starting from the eave and lapped 51 mm. Distortions in the underlayment shall not interfere with the ability of the shingles to seal. End laps shall be 102 mm and shall be offset by 1828 mm.</p>	<p>Same as Maximum Ultimate Design Wind Speed, $V_{ult} < 63$ m/s, except all laps shall be not less than 4 inches.</p>

For Inch Pound Units : 1 mm= 0.03937inch , 1 mm= 0.00328 foot , 1 m/s= 2.2 mile per hour.

**TABLE R905.1.1(3)
UNDERLAYMENT ATTACHMENT**

ROOF COVERING	SECTION	MAXIMUM ULTIMATE DESIGN WIND SPEED, $V_{ult} < 63$ m/s	MAXIMUM ULTIMATE DESIGN WIND SPEED, $V_{ult} \geq 63$ m/s
Asphalt shingles	R905.2	Fastened sufficiently to hold in place	<p>The underlayment shall be attached with corrosion-resistant fasteners in a grid pattern of 305 mm between side laps with a 150 mm spacing at side and end laps.</p> <p>Underlayment shall be attached using metal or plastic cap nails or cap staples with a nominal cap diameter of not less than 25.5 mm. Metal caps shall have a thickness of not less than 32-gage sheet metal. Power-driven metal caps shall have a minimum thickness of 0.254 mm. Minimum thickness of the outside edge of plastic caps shall be 0.89 mm. The cap nail shank shall be not less than 2.13 mm for ring shank cap nails and 2.33 mm for smooth shank cap nails. Staples shall be not less than 21 gage. Cap nail shank and cap staple legs shall have a length sufficient to penetrate through the roof sheath- ing or not less than 19 mm into the roof sheathing.</p>
Clay and concrete tile	R905.3		
Photovoltaic	R905.16		
Metal roof shingles	R905.4	Manufacturer’s installation instructions.	<p>The underlayment shall be attached with corrosion-resistant fasteners in a grid pattern of 305 mm between side laps with a 150 mm spacing at side and end laps.</p> <p>Underlayment shall be attached using metal or plastic cap nails or cap staples with a nominal cap diameter of not less than 25.4 mm. Metal caps shall have a thickness of not less than 32-gage sheet metal. Power-driven metal caps shall have a minimum thickness of 0.26 mm. Minimum thickness of the outside edge of plastic caps shall be 0.89 mm. The cap nail shank shall be not less than 2.1 mm for ring shank cap nails and 2.3 mm for smooth shank cap nails. Staples shall be not less than 21 gage. Cap nail shank and cap staple legs shall have a length sufficient to penetrate through the roof sheath- ing or not less than 19 mm into the roof sheathing.</p>
Mineral-surfaced roll roofing	R905.5		
Slate and slate-type shingles	R905.6		
Wood shingles	R905.7		
Wood shakes	R905.8		
Metal panels	R905.10		

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm= 0.03937 inch , 1 m/s= 2.2 mile per hour .

3.3. *Underlayment* shall be attached using metal or plastic cap nails with a nominal cap diameter of not less than 25 mm (1 inch). Metal caps shall have a thickness of not less than 32-gage sheet metal. Power-driven metal caps shall have a thickness of not less than 0.25 mm (0.010 inch). Minimum thickness of the outside edge of plastic caps shall be 0.89 mm (0.035 inch).

3.4. The cap nail shank shall be not less than 2.11 mm (0.083 inch) for ring shank cap nails and 2.31 mm (0.091 inch) for smooth shank cap nails. Cap nail shank shall have a length sufficient to penetrate through the roof sheathing or not less than 19 mm (³/₄ inch) into the roof sheathing.

R905.1.2 Ice barriers. Not Applicable

R905.2 Asphalt shingles. The installation of asphalt shingles shall comply with the provisions of this section.

R905.2.1 Sheathing requirements. Asphalt shingles shall be fastened to solidly sheathed decks.

R905.2.2 Slope. Asphalt shingles shall be used only on roof slopes of two units vertical in 12 units horizontal (17-percent slope) or greater. For roof slopes from two units vertical in 12 units horizontal (17-percent slope) up to four units vertical in 12 units horizontal (33-percent slope), double *underlayment* application is required in accordance with Section R905.1.1.

R905.2.3 Underlayment. *Underlayment* shall comply with Section R905.1.1.

R905.2.4 Asphalt shingles. Asphalt shingles shall comply with ASTM D3462.

R905.2.4.1 Wind resistance of asphalt shingles.

Asphalt shingles shall be tested in accordance with ASTM D7158. Asphalt shingles shall meet the classification requirements of Table R905.2.4.1 for the appropriate ultimate design wind speed. Asphalt shingle packaging shall bear a label to indicate compliance with ASTM D7158 and the required classification in Table R905.2.4.1.

Exception: Asphalt shingles not included in the scope of ASTM D7158 shall be tested and labeled in accordance with ASTM D3161. Asphalt shingle packaging shall bear a label to indicate compliance with ASTM D3161 and the required classification in Table R905.2.4.1.

R905.2.5 Fasteners. Fasteners for asphalt shingles shall be galvanized steel, stainless steel, aluminum or copper roofing nails, minimum 12-gage 3 mm [0.105 inch] shank with a minimum 9.55 mm (³/₈-inch)-diameter head, complying with ASTM F1667, of a length to penetrate through the roofing materials and not less than 19 mm (³/₄ inch) into the roof sheathing. Where the roof sheathing is less than 19 mm (³/₄ inch) thick, the fasteners shall penetrate through the sheathing.

R905.2.6 Attachment. Asphalt shingles shall have the minimum number of fasteners required by the manufacturer's approved installation instructions, but not less than

TABLE R905.2.4.1
CLASSIFICATION OF ASPHALT ROOF SHINGLES

MAXIMUM ULTIMATE DESIGN WIND SPEED, V_{ult} FROM FIGURE R301.2(5)A (m/s)	MAXIMUM BASIC WIND SPEED, V_{ASD} FROM TABLE R301.2.1.3 (m/s)	ASTM D7158 ^a SHINGLE CLASSIFICATION	ASTM D3161 SHINGLE CLASSIFICATION
49	38	D, G or H	A, D or F
52	40	D, G or H	A, D or F
58	45	G or H	A, D or F
63	49	G or H	F
69	54	G or H	F
75	58	H	F
81	63	H	F
87	67	H	F

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm= 0.03938 foot; 1 m/s = 2.2 mile per hour.

a. The standard calculations contained in ASTM D7158 assume Exposure Category B or C and a building height of 18,300 (60 feet) or less. Additional calculations are required for conditions outside of these assumptions.

four fasteners per strip shingle or two fasteners per individual shingle. Where the roof slope exceeds 21 units vertical in 12 units horizontal (21:12, 175-percent slope), shingles shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's approved installation instructions.

R905.2.7 Ice barrier. Where required, ice barriers shall comply with Section R905.1.2.

R905.2.8 Flashing. Flashing for asphalt shingles shall comply with this section and the asphalt shingle manufacturer's approved installation instructions.

R905.2.8.1 Base and cap flashing. Base and cap flashing shall be installed in accordance with manufacturer's instructions. Base flashing shall be of either corrosion-resistant metal of minimum nominal 0.5 mm (0.019-inch) thickness or mineral-surfaced roll roofing weighing not less than 4 kg/m² (77 pounds per 100 square feet). Cap flashing shall be corrosion-resistant metal of minimum nominal 0.5 mm (0.019-inch) thickness.

R905.2.8.2 Valleys. Valley linings shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions before applying shingles. Valley linings of the following types shall be permitted:

1. For open valleys (valley lining exposed) lined with metal, the valley lining shall be not less than 610 mm (24 inches) wide and of any of the corrosion-resistant metals in Table R905.2.8.2.
2. For open valleys, valley lining of two plies of mineral-surfaced roll roofing, complying with ASTM D3909 or ASTM D6380 Class M, shall be permitted. The bottom layer shall be 455 mm (18 inches) and the top layer not less than 915 mm (36 inches) wide.
3. For closed valleys (valley covered with shingles), valley lining of one ply of smooth roll roofing complying with ASTM D6380 and not less than 915 mm (36 inches) wide or valley lining as described in Item 1 or 2 shall be permitted. Self-adhering polymer-modified bitumen *underlayment*

complying with ASTM D1970 shall be permitted in lieu of the lining material.

R905.2.8.3 Sidewall flashing. Base flashing against a vertical sidewall shall be continuous or step flashing and shall be not less than 100 mm (4 inches) in height and 100 mm (4 inches) in width and shall direct water away from the vertical sidewall onto the roof or into the gutter. Where siding is provided on the vertical sidewall, the vertical leg of the flashing shall be continuous under the siding. Where anchored masonry veneer is provided on the vertical sidewall, the base flashing shall be provided in accordance with this section and counterflashing shall be provided in accordance with Section R703.8.2.2. Where exterior plaster or adhered masonry veneer is provided on the vertical sidewall, the base flashing shall be provided in accordance with this section and Section R703.6.3.

R905.2.8.4 Other flashing. Flashing against a vertical front wall, as well as soil stack, vent pipe and chimney flashing, shall be applied in accordance with the asphalt shingle manufacturer's printed instructions.

R905.2.8.5 Drip edge. A drip edge shall be provided at eaves and rake edges of shingle roofs. Adjacent segments of drip edge shall be overlapped not less than 51 mm (2 inches). Drip edges shall extend not less than 6.35 mm (1/4 inch) below the roof sheathing and extend up back onto the roof deck not less than 51 mm (2 inches). Drip edges shall be mechanically fastened to the roof deck at not more than 305 mm (12 inches) o.c. with fasteners as specified in Section R905.2.5. *Underlayment* shall be installed over the drip edge along eaves and under the drip edge along rake edges.

R905.3 Clay and concrete tile. The installation of clay and concrete tile shall comply with the provisions of this section.

R905.3.1 Deck requirements. Concrete and clay tile shall be installed only over solid sheathing or spaced structural sheathing boards.

R905.3.2 Deck slope. Clay and concrete roof tile shall be installed on roof slopes of two and one-half units vertical in 12 units horizontal (25-percent slope) or greater. For

TABLE R905.2.8.2
VALLEY LINING MATERIAL

MATERIAL	MINIMUM THICKNESS (mm)	GAGE	WEIGHT (kg)
Cold-rolled copper	0.55 nominal	—	ASTM B370, 4.9 kg. per square meter
Lead-coated copper	0.55 nominal	—	ASTM B101, 4.9 kg. per square meter
High-yield copper	0.41 nominal	—	ASTM B370, 3.7 kg. per square meter
Lead-coated high-yield copper	0.41 nominal	—	ASTM B101, 3.7 kg. per square meter
Aluminum	0.61	—	—
Stainless steel	—	28	—
Galvanized steel	0.45	26 (zinc coated G90)	—
Zinc alloy	0.69	—	—

Lead	—	—	1.13 kg
Painted terne	—	—	9.1 kg

For Inch Pound Units : 1 mm= 0.03937 inch , 1 kg=2.2 pound .

roof slopes from two and one-half units vertical in 12 units horizontal (25-percent slope) to four units vertical in 12 units horizontal (33-percent slope), double *underlayment* application is required in accordance with Section R905.3.3.

R905.3.3 Underlayment. *Underlayment* shall comply with Section R905.1.1.

R905.3.4 Clay tile. Clay roof tile shall comply with ASTM C1167.

R905.3.5 Concrete tile. Concrete roof tile shall comply with ASTM C1492.

R905.3.6 Fasteners. Nails shall be corrosion resistant and not less than 11-gage, 11 mm (⁵/₁₂ -inch) head, and of sufficient length to penetrate the deck not less than inch (0.5 mm) (No. 26 galvanized sheet gage) corrosion-resistant metal. The valley flashing shall extend not less than 280 mm (11 inches) from the centerline each way and have a splash diverter rib not less than 25.4 mm (1 inch) in height at the flow line formed as part of the flashing. Sections of flashing shall have an end lap of not less than 102 mm (4 inches) . For roof slopes of three units vertical in 12 units horizontal (25-percent slope) and greater, valley flashing shall have a 915 mm (36-inch)-wide *underlayment* of one layer of Type I *underlayment* running the full length of the valley, in addition to other required *underlayment*. In areas where the average daily temperature in January is (-4°C 25°F or less, metal valley flashing *underlayment* shall be solid-cemented to the roofing *underlayment* for slopes less than seven units vertical in 12 units horizontal (58-percent slope) or be of self-adhering polymer-modified 19 mm(³/₄ inch) or through the thickness of the deck, whichever is less. Attaching wire for clay or concrete tile shall not be smaller than 2 mm (0.083 inch). Perimeter fastening areas include three tile courses but not less than 915 mm (36 inches) from either side of hips or ridges and edges of eaves and gable rakes.

R905.3.7 Application. Tile shall be applied in accordance with this chapter and the manufacturer’s installation instructions, based on the following:

1. Climatic conditions.
2. Roof slope.
3. *Underlayment* system.
4. Type of tile being installed.

Clay and concrete roof tiles shall be fastened in accordance with this section and the manufacturer’s installation instructions. Perimeter tiles shall be fastened with not less than one fastener per tile. Tiles with installed weight less than 0.4 kg/m² (9 pounds per square foot) require not less than one fastener per tile regardless of roof slope. Clay and concrete roof tile attachment shall be in accordance with the manufacturer’s installation instructions where applied in areas where the ultimate design wind speed exceeds 130 miles per hour (58 m/s) and on buildings where the roof is located more than 12192 mm (40 feet) above grade. In areas subject to snow, not less than two fasteners per tile are required. In other areas, clay and concrete roof tiles shall be attached in accordance with Table R905.3.7.

**TABLE R905.3.7
CLAY AND CONCRETE TILE ATTACHMENT**

SHEATHING	ROOF SLOPE	NUMBER OF FASTENERS
Solid without battens	All	One per tile
Spaced or solid with battens and slope < 5:12	Fasteners not required	—
Spaced sheathing without battens	5:12 ≤ slope < 12:12	One per tile/ every other row
	12:12 ≤ slope < 24:12	One per tile

R905.3.8 Flashing. At the juncture of roof vertical surfaces, flashing and counterflashing shall be provided in accordance with this chapter and the manufacturer’s installation instructions and, where of metal, shall be not less than 0.019

bitumen sheet.

R905.4 Metal roof shingles. The installation of metal roof shingles shall comply with the provisions of this section.

R905.4.1 Deck requirements. Metal roof shingles shall be applied to a solid or closely fitted deck, except where the roof covering is specifically designed to be applied to spaced sheathing.

R905.4.2 Deck slope. Metal roof shingles shall not be installed on roof slopes below three units vertical in 12 units horizontal (25-percent slope).

R905.4.3 Underlayment. *Underlayment* shall comply with [Section R905.1.1](#).

R905.4.3.1 Ice barrierNot Applicable

R905.4.4 Material standards. Metal roof shingle roof coverings shall comply with [Table R905.10.3\(1\)](#). The materials used for metal roof shingle roof coverings shall be naturally corrosion resistant or be made corrosion resistant in accordance with the standards and minimum thicknesses listed in [Table R905.10.3\(2\)](#).

R905.4.5 Application. Metal roof shingles shall be secured to the roof in accordance with this chapter and the *approved* manufacturer's installation instructions.

R905.4.6 Flashing. Roof valley flashing shall be of corrosion-resistant metal of the same material as the roof covering or shall comply with the standards in [Table R905.10.3\(1\)](#). The valley flashing shall extend not less than 205 mm (8 inches) from the centerline each way and shall have a splash diverter rib not less than 19 mm (³/₄ inch) in height at the flow line formed as part of the flashing. Sections of flashing shall have an end lap of not less than 102 mm (4 inches). The metal valley flashing shall have a 915 mm (36-inch)-wide *underlayment* directly under it consisting of one layer of *underlayment* running the full length of the valley, in addition to *underlayment* required for metal roof shingles. In areas where the average daily temperature in January is -4°C (25°F) or less, the metal valley flashing *underlayment* shall be solid-cemented to the roofing *underlayment* for roof slopes under seven units vertical in 12 units horizontal (58-percent slope) or self-adhering polymer-modified bitumen sheet.

R905.5 Mineral-surfaced roll roofing. The installation of mineral-surfaced roll roofing shall comply with this section.

R905.5.1 Deck requirements. Mineral-surfaced roll roofing shall be fastened to solidly sheathed roofs.

R905.5.2 Deck slope. Mineral-surfaced roll roofing shall not be applied on roof slopes below one unit vertical in 12 units horizontal (8-percent slope).

R905.5.3 Underlayment. *Underlayment* shall comply with Section R905.1.1.

R905.5.3.1 Ice barrier. Where required, ice barriers shall comply with Section R905.1.2.

R905.5.4 Material standards. Mineral-surfaced roll roofing shall conform to ASTM D3909 or ASTM D6380, Class M.

R905.5.5 Application. Mineral-surfaced roll roofing shall be installed in accordance with this chapter and the manufacturer’s instructions.

R905.6 Slate shingles. The installation of slate shingles shall comply with the provisions of this section.

R905.6.1 Deck requirements. Slate shingles shall be fastened to solidly sheathed roofs.

R905.6.2 Deck slope. Slate shingles shall be used only on slopes of four units vertical in 12 units horizontal (33-percent slope) or greater.

R905.6.3 Underlayment. *Underlayment* shall comply with Section R905.1.1.

R905.6.3.1 Ice barrier. Not Applicable

R905.6.4 Material standards. Slate shingles shall comply with ASTM C406.

R905.6.5 Application. Minimum headlap for slate shingles shall be in accordance with Table R905.6.5. Slate shingles shall be secured to the roof with two fasteners per slate. Slate shingles shall be installed in accordance with this chapter and the manufacturer’s instructions.

**TABLE R905.6.5
SLATE SHINGLE HEADLAP**

SLOPE	HEADLAP (mm)
4:12 ≤ slope < 8:12	102
8:12 ≤ slope < 20:12	76
Slope ≥ 20:12	51

For Inch Pound Units : 1 mm= 0.03937 inch .

R905.6.6 Flashing. Flashing and counterflashing shall be made with sheet metal. Valley flashing shall be not less than 381 mm (15 inches) wide. Valley and flashing metal shall be a minimum uncoated thickness of 0.5 mm (0.0179-inch) zinc coated G90. Chimneys, stucco or brick walls shall have not less than two plies of felt for a cap flashing consisting of a 102 mm (4-inch)-wide strip

R905.7.1 Deck requirements. Wood shingles shall be installed on solid or spaced sheathing. Where spaced sheathing is used, sheathing boards shall be not less than 25.4 mm by 102 mm (1-inch by 4-inch) nominal dimensions and shall be spaced on centers equal to the weather exposure to coincide with the placement of fasteners.

R905.7.1.1 Solid sheathing required. In areas where the average daily temperature in January is -4°C (25°F) or less, solid sheathing is required on that portion of the roof requiring the application of an ice barrier.

R905.7.2 Deck slope. Wood shingles shall be installed on slopes of three units vertical in 12 units horizontal (25-percent slope) or greater.

R905.7.3 Underlayment. *Underlayment* shall comply with Section R905.1.1.

R905.7.3.1 Ice barrier. Not Applicable

R905.7.4 Material standards. Wood shingles shall be of naturally durable wood and comply with the requirements of Table R905.7.4.

**TABLE R905.7.4
WOOD SHINGLE MATERIAL REQUIREMENTS**

MATERIAL	MINIMUM GRADES	APPLICABLE GRADING RULES
Wood shingles of naturally durable wood	1, 2 or 3	CSSB

R905.7.5 Application. Wood shingles shall be installed in accordance with this chapter and the manufacturer’s instructions. Wood shingles shall be laid with a side lap not less than 38 mm (1½ inches) between joints in courses, and two joints shall not be in direct alignment in any three adjacent courses. Spacing between shingles shall be not less than 6.35 mm to 9.55 mm (¼ inch to 3⁄8 inch) . Weather exposure for wood shingles shall not exceed those set in Table R905.7.5(1). Fasteners for untreated (naturally durable) wood shingles shall be box nails in accordance with Table R905.7.5(2). Nails shall be stainless steel Type 304 or 316 or hot-dipped galvanized with a coating weight of ASTM A153 Class D (1.0 oz/ft²). Alternatively, two 16-gage stainless steel Type 304 or 316 staples with crown widths 11 mm (7⁄16 inch) minimum, of felt set in plastic cement and extending 25.5 mm (1 inch) above the first felt and a top coating of plastic cement. The felt shall extend 51 mm (2 inches) over the base flashing.

R905.7 Wood shingles. The installation of wood shingles shall comply with the provisions of this section.

19 mm ($\frac{3}{4}$ inch) maximum, shall be used. Fasteners installed within 24 Km (15 miles) of saltwater coastal areas shall be stainless steel Type 316. Fasteners for fire-retardant-treated shingles in accordance with Section R902 or pressure-impregnated-preservative-treated shingles of naturally durable wood in accordance with AWP A U1 shall be stainless steel Type 316. Fasteners shall have a minimum penetration into the sheathing of 19 mm ($\frac{3}{4}$ inch). For sheathing less than 19 mm ($\frac{3}{4}$ inch) in thickness, each fastener shall penetrate through the sheathing. Wood shingles shall be attached to the roof with two fasteners per shingle, positioned in accordance with the manufacturer's installation instructions. Fastener packaging shall bear a label indicating the appropriate grade material or coating weight.

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TABLE R905.7.5(1)
WOOD SHINGLE WEATHER EXPOSURE AND ROOF SLOPE

R905.8.1.1 Solid sheathing required. In areas where the average daily temperature in January is -4°C (25°F) or less, solid sheathing is required on that portion of the roof requiring an ice barrier.

R905.8.2 Deck slope. Wood shakes shall only be used on slopes of three units vertical in 12 units horizontal (25-percent slope) or greater.

R905.8.3 Underlayment. Underlayment shall comply with Section R905.1.1.

R905.8.3.1 Ice barrier. Where required, ice barriers shall comply with Section R905.1.2.

R905.8.4 Interlayment. Interlayment shall comply with ASTM D226, Type I.

R905.8.5 Material standards. Wood shakes shall comply with the requirements of Table R905.8.5.

ROOFING MATERIAL	LENGTH (mm)	GRADE	EXPOSURE (mm)	
			3:12 pitch to < 4:12	4:12 pitch or steeper
Shingles of naturally durable wood	405	No. 1	95	127
		No. 2	89	102
		No. 3	76	89
	450	No. 1	108	140
		No. 2	102	114
		No. 3	89	102
	610	No. 1	146	191
		No. 2	140	165
		No. 3	127	140

For Inch Pound Units : 1 mm= 0.03937 inch .

TABLE R905.7.5(2)
NAIL REQUIREMENTS FOR WOOD SHAKES AND WOOD SHINGLES

SHAKES	NAIL TYPE AND MINIMUM LENGTH	MINIMUM HEAD SIZE	MINIMUM SHANK DIAMETER
450 straight-split	5d box 44.5	5	2.10
450 and 24 handsplit and resawn	6d box 51	5	.0915
610 taper-split	5d box 44.5	5	2.03
480 and 24 tapersawn	6d box 51	5	23.2
Shingles	Nail Type and Minimum Length	Minimum Head Size	Minimum Shank Diameter
405 and 450	3d box 32	5	2.03
610	4d box 38	5	2.03

For Inch Pound Units : 1 mm=0.03937 inch .

R905.7.6 Valley flashing. Roof flashing shall be not less than No. 26 gage 0.5 mm ([0.019 inches]) corrosion-resis- tant sheet metal and shall extend 255 mm (10 inches) from the centerline each way for roofs having slopes less than 12 units vertical in 12 units horizontal (100-percent slope), and 178 mm (7 inches) from the centerline each way for slopes of 12 units vertical in 12 units horizontal (100-per- cent slope) and greater. Sections of flashing shall have an end lap of not less than 102 mm (4 inches) .

R905.7.7 Label required. Each bundle of shingles shall be identified by a label of an approved grading or inspec- tion bureau or agency.

R905.8 Wood shakes. The installation of wood shakes shall comply with the provisions of this section.

TABLE R905.8.5
WOOD SHAKE MATERIAL REQUIREMENTS

MATERIAL	MINIMUM GRADES	APPLICABLE GRADING RULES
Wood shakes of naturally durable wood	1	Cedar Shake and Shingle Bureau
Tapersawn shakes of naturally durable wood	1 or 2	Cedar Shake and Shingle Bureau
Preservative-treated shakes and shingles of naturally durable wood	1	Cedar Shake and Shingle Bureau
Fire-retardant-treated shakes and shingles of naturally durable wood	1	Cedar Shake and Shingle Bureau
Preservative-treated tapersawn shakes of Southern pine treated in accordance with AWPAs Standard U1 (Commodity Specification A, Special Requirement 4.6)	1 or 2	Forest Products Laboratory of the Texas Forest Services

R905.8.6 Application. Wood shakes shall be installed in accordance with this chapter and the **R905.8.1 Deck requirements.** Wood shakes shall be used

only on solid or spaced sheathing. Where spaced sheathing is used, sheathing boards shall be not less than 25.4 mm by 102 mm (1-inch by 4-inch) nominal dimensions and shall be spaced on centers equal to the weather exposure to coincide with the placement of fasteners. Where 25.4 mm by 102 mm (1-inch by 4-inch) spaced sheathing is installed at 255 (10 inches) on center, additional 25.4 mm by 102 mm (1-inch by 4-inch) boards shall be installed between the sheathing boards.

manufacturer’s installation instructions. Wood shakes shall be laid with a side lap not less than 38 mm (1½ inches) between joints in adjacent courses. Spacing between shakes in the same course shall be 9.55 mm to 16 mm (¾ inch to 5/8 inch) including tapersawn shakes. Weather exposures for wood shakes shall not exceed those set in **Table R905.8.6.** Fasteners for untreated (naturally durable) wood shakes shall be box nails in accordance with **Table R905.7.5(2).** Nails shall be stainless steel Type 304, or Type 316 or hot-dipped with a coating weight of ASTM A153 Class D (1.0 oz/ft²). Alternatively, two 16-gage Type 304 or Type 316 stainless steel staples, with crown widths 7/8 inch (11.1

mm) minimum, 19 mm (¾ inch) maximum, shall be used. Fasteners installed within 24 km (15 miles) of salt-water coastal areas shall be stainless steel Type 316. Wood shakes shall be attached to the roof with two fasteners per shake positioned in accordance with the manufacturer’s installation instructions. Fasteners for fire-retardant-treated (as defined in **Section R902**) shakes or pressure-impregnated-preservative-treated shakes of naturally durable wood in accordance with AWPAs U1 shall be stainless steel Type 316. **Fasteners** shall have a minimum penetra-

TABLE R905.8.6
WOOD SHAKE WEATHER EXPOSURE AND ROOF SLOPE

ROOFING MATERIAL	LENGTH (mm)	GRADE	EXPOSURE (mm)
			4:12 pitch or steeper
Shakes of naturally durable wood	450	No. 1	191
	610	No. 1	255 ^a
Preservative-treated tapersawn shakes of Southern Yellow Pine	450	No. 1	191
	610	No. 1	255
	450	No. 2	140
	610	No. 2	191
Taper-sawn shakes of naturally durable wood	450	No. 1	191
	610	No. 1	10
	450	No. 2	140
	610	No. 2	191

For Inch Pound Units : 1 mm= 0.03937 inch .

a. For 610 mm by 9.5 mm (24-inch by 3/8-inch) handsplit shakes, the maximum exposure is 191 (7 1/2 inches).

tion into the sheathing of 19 mm (3/4 inch) . Where the sheathing is less than 19 mm (3/4 inch) thick, each fastener shall penetrate through the sheathing. Fastener packaging shall bear a label indicating the appropriate grade material or coating weight.

R905.8.7 Shake placement. The starter course at the eaves shall be doubled and the bottom layer shall be either 381 mm (15-inch), 457 mm (18-inch) or 610 mm (24-inch) wood shakes or wood shingles. 381 mm (Fifteen-inch) or 457 mm (18-inch) wood shakes shall be permitted to be used for the final course at the ridge. Shakes shall be interlaid with 457 mm (18-inch)-wide strips of not less than No. 30 felt shingled between each course in such a manner that felt is **not** exposed to the weather by position- ing the lower edge of each felt strip above the butt end of the shake it covers a distance equal to twice the weather exposure.

R905.8.8 Valley flashing. Roof valley flashing shall be not less than No. 26 gage 0.55 mm[0.019 inch] corrosion-resistant sheet metal and shall extend not less than 280 mm (11 inches) from the centerline each way. Sections of flashing shall have an end lap of not less than 102 mm (4 inches) .

R905.8.9 Label required. Each bundle of shakes shall be identified by a *label* of an *approved* grading or inspection bureau or agency.

R905.9 Built-up roofs. The installation of built-up roofs shall comply with the provisions of this section **and the manufacturer’s approved installation instructions.**

R905.9.1 Slope. Built-up roofs shall have a design slope of not less than one-fourth unit vertical in 12 units horizontal (2-percent slope) for drainage, except for coal-tar built-up roofs, which shall have a design slope of a minimum one-eighth unit vertical in 12 units horizontal (1-percent slope).

R905.9.2 Material standards. Built-up roof covering materials shall comply with the standards in **Table R905.9.2** or UL 55A.

R905.9.3 Application. Built-up roofs shall be installed in accordance with this chapter and the manufacturer’s instructions.

R905.10 Metal roof panels. The installation of metal roof panels shall comply with the provisions of this section.

R905.10.1 Deck requirements. Metal roof panel roof coverings shall be applied to solid or spaced sheathing, except where the roof covering is specifically designed to be applied to spaced supports.

R905.10.2 Slope. Minimum slopes for metal roof panels shall comply with the following:

1. The minimum slope for lapped, nonsoldered-seam metal roofs without applied lap sealant shall be three units vertical in 12 units horizontal (25-percent slope).
2. The minimum slope for lapped, nonsoldered-seam metal roofs with applied lap sealant shall be one-half unit vertical in 12 units horizontal (4-percent slope). Lap sealants shall be applied in accordance with the *approved* manufacturer’s installation instructions.
3. The minimum slope for standing-seam roof systems shall be one-quarter unit vertical in 12 units horizontal (2-percent slope).

R905.10.3 Material standards. Metal-sheet roof covering systems that incorporate supporting structural members shall be designed in accordance with the *Jamaica Building Code*. Metal-sheet roof coverings installed over structural decking shall comply with **Table R905.10.3(1)**. The materials used for metal-sheet roof coverings shall be naturally corrosion resistant or provided with corrosion resistance in accordance with the standards and minimum thicknesses shown in **Table R905.10.3(2)**.

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**TABLE R905.9.2
BUILT-UP ROOFING MATERIAL STANDARDS**

MATERIAL STANDARD	STANDARD
Acrylic coatings used in roofing	ASTM D6083
Aggregate surfacing	ASTM D1863
Asphalt adhesive used in roofing	ASTM D3747
Asphalt cements used in roofing	ASTM D2822; D3019; D4586
Asphalt-coated glass fiber base sheet	ASTM D4601
Asphalt coatings used in roofing	ASTM D1227; D2823; D2824; D4479
Asphalt glass felt	ASTM D2178
Asphalt primer used in roofing	ASTM D41
Asphalt-saturated and asphalt-coated organic felt base sheet	ASTM D2626
Asphalt-saturated organic felt (perforated)	ASTM D226
Asphalt used in roofing	ASTM D312
Coal-tar cements used in roofing	ASTM D4022; D5643
Coal-tar primer used in roofing, dampproofing and waterproofing	ASTM D43
Coal-tar saturated organic felt	ASTM D227
Coal-tar used in roofing	ASTM D450, Type I or II
Glass mat, coal tar	ASTM D4990
Glass mat, venting type	ASTM D4897
Mineral-surfaced inorganic cap sheet	ASTM D3909
Thermoplastic fabrics used in roofing	ASTM D5665; D5726

**TABLE R905.10.3(1)
METAL ROOF COVERING STANDARDS**

ROOF COVERING TYPE	STANDARD APPLICATION RATE/THICKNESS
Galvanized steel	ASTM A653 G90 Zinc coated
Stainless steel	ASTM A240, 300 Series alloys
Steel	ASTM A924
Lead-coated copper	ASTM B101
Cold-rolled copper	ASTM B370 minimum 4.9 kg/sq m and 3.7/sq m high-yield copper for metal-sheet roof-covering systems; 3.7 kg/sq m for preformed metal shingle systems.
Hard lead	9.7 kg/sq m
Soft lead	14.6 kg/sq m
Aluminum	ASTM B209, 0.024 minimum thickness for roll-formed panels and 0.48 kg minimum thickness for press-formed shingles.
Terne (tin) and terne-coated stainless	Terne coating of 18.14 kg per double base box, field painted where applicable in accordance with manufacturer's installation instructions.
Zinc	0.68 mm minimum thickness: 99.995% electrolytic high-grade zinc with alloy additives of copper (0.08 - 0.20%), titanium (0.07% - 0.12%) and aluminum (0.015%).

For Inch Pound Units: 1 kg/m²= 3.3 ounce per square foot , 1 kg/m²= 0.20 pound per square foot , 1 mm= 0.03937 inch , 1 mm= 2.2 pound .

TABLE R905.10.3(2)
MINIMUM CORROSION RESISTANCE

55% aluminum-zinc-alloy-coated steel	ASTM A792 AZ 50
5% aluminum alloy-coated steel	ASTM A875 GF60
Aluminum-coated steel	ASTM A463 T2 65
Galvanized steel	ASTM A653 G-90
Prepainted steel	ASTM A755 ^a

a. Paint systems in accordance with ASTM A755 shall be applied over steel products with corrosion-resistant coatings complying with ASTM A792, ASTM A875, ASTM A463, or ASTM A653.

R905.10.4 Attachment. Metal roof panels shall be secured to the supports in accordance with this chapter and the manufacturer’s installation instructions. In the absence of manufacturer’s installation instructions, the following fasteners shall be used:

1. Galvanized fasteners shall be used for steel roofs.
2. Copper, brass, bronze, copper alloy and 300-series stainless steel fasteners shall be used for copper roofs.
3. Stainless steel fasteners are acceptable for metal roofs.

R905.10.5 Underlayment. Underlayment shall comply with Section R905.1.1.

R905.11 Modified bitumen roofing. The installation of modified bitumen roofing shall comply with the provisions of this section and the manufacturer’s approved installation instructions.

R905.11.1 Slope. Modified bitumen roofing shall have a design slope of not less than one-fourth unit vertical in 12 units horizontal (2-percent slope) for drainage.

R905.11.2 Material standards. Modified bitumen roofing shall comply with the standards in Table R905.11.2.

TABLE R905.11.2
MODIFIED BITUMEN ROOFING MATERIAL STANDARDS

MATERIAL	STANDARD
Acrylic coating	ASTM D6083
Asphalt adhesive	ASTM D3747
Asphalt cement	ASTM D3019
Asphalt coating	ASTM D1227; D2824
Asphalt primer	ASTM D41
Modified bitumen roof membrane	ASTM D6162; D6163; D6164; D6222; D6223; D6298

R905.11.2.1 Base sheet. A base sheet that complies with the requirements of Section 1507.11.2 of the International Building Code, ASTM D1970, or ASTM D4601 shall be permitted to be used with a modified bitumen cap sheet.

R905.11.3 Application. Modified bitumen roofs shall be installed in accordance with this chapter and the manufacturer’s instructions.

R905.12 Thermoset single-ply roofing. The installation of thermoset single-ply roofing shall comply with the provisions of this section.

R905.12.1 Slope. Thermoset single-ply membrane roofs shall have a design slope of not less than one-fourth unit vertical in 12 units horizontal (2-percent slope) for drainage.

R905.12.2 Material standards. Thermoset single-ply roof coverings shall comply with ASTM D4637 or ASTM D5019.

R905.12.3 Application. Thermoset single-ply roofs shall be installed in accordance with this chapter and the manufacturer’s instructions.

R905.13 Thermoplastic single-ply roofing. The installation of thermoplastic single-ply roofing shall comply with the provisions of this section.

R905.13.1 Slope. Thermoplastic single-ply membrane roofs shall have a design slope of not less than one-fourth unit vertical in 12 units horizontal (2-percent slope).

R905.13.2 Material standards. Thermoplastic single-ply roof coverings shall comply with ASTM D4434, ASTM D6754 or ASTM D6878.

R905.13.3 Application. Thermoplastic single-ply roofs shall be installed in accordance with this chapter and the manufacturer’s instructions.

R905.14 Sprayed polyurethane foam roofing. The installation of sprayed polyurethane foam roofing shall comply with the provisions of this section.

R905.14.1 Slope. Sprayed polyurethane foam roofs shall have a design slope of not less than one-fourth unit vertical in 12 units horizontal (2-percent slope) for drainage.

R905.14.2 Material standards. Spray-applied polyurethane foam insulation shall comply with ASTM C1029, Type III or IV or ASTM D7425.

R905.14.3 Application. Foamed-in-place roof insulation shall be installed in accordance with this chapter and the manufacturer’s instructions. A liquid-applied protective coating that complies with Table R905.14.3 shall be applied not less than 2 hours nor more than 72 hours following the application of the foam.

TABLE R905.14.3
PROTECTIVE COATING MATERIAL STANDARDS

MATERIAL	STANDARD
Acrylic coating	ASTM D6083
Silicone coating	ASTM D6694
Moisture-cured polyurethane coating	ASTM D6947

R905.14.4 Foam plastics. Foam plastic materials and installation shall comply with Section R316.

R905.15 Liquid-applied roofing. The installation of liquid-applied roofing shall comply with the provisions of this section.

R905.15.1 Slope. Liquid-applied roofing shall have a design slope of not less than one-fourth unit vertical in 12 units horizontal (2-percent slope).

R905.15.2 Material standards. Liquid-applied roofing shall comply with ASTM C836, C957, D1227, D3468, D6083, D6694 or D6947.

R905.15.3 Application. Liquid-applied roofing shall be installed in accordance with this chapter and the manufacturer’s **installation** instructions.

R905.16 Photovoltaic shingles. The installation of *photovoltaic shingles* shall comply with the provisions of this section, **Section R324** and **NFPA 70**.

R905.16.1 Deck requirements. *Photovoltaic shingles* shall be applied to a solid or closely-fitted deck, except where the roof covering is specifically designed to be applied over spaced sheathing.

R905.16.2 Deck slope. *Photovoltaic shingles* shall be used only on roof slopes of two units vertical in 12 units horizontal (2:12) or greater.

R905.16.3 Underlayment. *Underlayment* shall comply with **Section R905.1.1**.

R905.16.3.1 Ice barrier. Where required, ice barriers shall comply with **Section R905.1.2**.

R905.16.4 Material standards. *Photovoltaic shingles* shall be listed and labeled in accordance with **UL 1703**.

R905.16.5 Attachment. *Photovoltaic shingles* shall be attached in accordance with the manufacturer’s installation instructions.

R905.16.6 Wind resistance. *Photovoltaic shingles* shall be tested in accordance with procedures and acceptance criteria in **ASTM D3161**. *Photovoltaic shingles* shall comply with the classification requirements of **Table R905.2.4.1** for the appropriate maximum basic wind speed. *Photovoltaic shingle* packaging shall bear a label to indicate compliance with the procedures in **ASTM D3161** and the required classification from **Table R905.2.4.1**.

R905.17 Building-integrated Photovoltaic (BIPV) roof panels applied directly to the roof deck. The installation of *BIPV roof panels* shall comply with the provisions of this section, **Section R324** and **NFPA 70**.

R905.17.1 Deck requirements. *BIPV roof panels* shall be applied to a solid or closely-fitted deck, except where the roof covering is specifically designed to be applied over spaced sheathing.

R905.17.2 Deck slope. *BIPV roof panels* shall be used only on roof slopes of two units vertical in 12 units horizontal (17-percent slope) or greater.

R905.17.3 Underlayment. *Underlayment* shall comply with **Section 905.1.1**.

R905.17.3.1 Ice barrier. Where required, an ice barrier shall comply with **Section R905.1.2**.

R905.17.4 Ice barrier. In areas where there has been a history of ice forming along the eaves causing a backup of water, as designated in **Table R301.2(1)**, an ice barrier that consists of not less than two layers of *underlayment*

cemented together or of a self-adhering polymer-modified bitumen sheet shall be used in lieu of normal *underlayment* and extend from the lowest edges of all roof surfaces to a point not less than 610 mm (24 inches) inside the exterior wall line of the building.

Exception: Detached accessory structures that do not contain conditioned floor area.

R905.17.5 Material standards. *BIPV roof panels* shall be listed and labeled in accordance with **UL 1703**.

R905.17.6 Attachment. *BIPV roof panels* shall be attached in accordance with the manufacturer’s installation instructions.

R905.17.7 Wind resistance. *BIPV roof panels* shall be tested in accordance with **UL 1897**. *BIPV roof panel* packaging shall bear a label to indicate compliance with **UL 1897**.

**SECTION R906
ROOF INSULATION**

R906.1 General. The use of above-deck thermal insulation shall be permitted provided that such insulation is covered with an *approved* roof covering and complies with **FM 4450** or **UL 1256**.

R906.2 Material standards. Above-deck thermal insulation board shall comply with the standards in **Table R906.2**.

**TABLE R906.2
MATERIAL STANDARDS FOR ROOF INSULATION**

Cellular glass board	ASTM C552
Composite boards	ASTM C1289, Type III, IV, V or VI
Expanded polystyrene	ASTM C578
Extruded polystyrene board	ASTM C578
Fiber-reinforced gypsum board	ASTM C1278
Glass-faced gypsum board	ASTM C1177
Mineral wool board	ASTM C726
Perlite board	ASTM C728
Polyisocyanurate board	ASTM C1289, Type I or II
Wood fiberboard	ASTM C208

**SECTION R907
ROOFTOP-MOUNTED
PHOTOVOLTAIC PANEL SYSTEMS**

R907.1 Rooftop-mounted photovoltaic panel systems. Rooftop-mounted *photovoltaic panel systems* shall be designed and installed in accordance with **Section R324** and **NFPA 70**.

SECTION R908 REROOFING

R908.1 General. Materials and methods of application used for **recovering** or replacing an existing roof covering shall comply with the requirements of Chapter 9.

Exceptions:

1. Reroofing shall not be required to meet the minimum design slope requirement of one-quarter unit vertical in 12 units horizontal (2-percent slope) in **Section** R905 for roofs that provide positive roof drainage.
2. For roofs that provide positive drainage, **recovering** or replacing an existing roof covering shall not require the secondary (emergency overflow) drains or scuppers of **Section** R903.4.1 to be added to an existing roof.

R908.2 Structural and construction loads. The structural roof components shall be capable of supporting the roof covering system and the material and equipment loads that will be encountered during installation of the roof covering system.

R908.3 Roof replacement. Roof replacement shall include the removal of existing layers of roof coverings down to the roof deck.

Exception: Where the existing *roof assembly* includes an ice barrier membrane that is adhered to the roof deck, the existing ice barrier membrane shall be permitted to remain in place and covered with an additional layer of ice barrier membrane in accordance with **Section** R905.

R908.3.1 Roof recover. The installation of a new roof covering over an existing roof covering shall be permitted where any of the following conditions occur:

1. Where the new roof covering is installed in accordance with the roof covering manufacturer's approved instructions
2. Complete and separate roofing systems, such as standing-seam metal roof systems, that are designed to transmit the roof loads directly to the building's structural system and do not rely on existing roofs and roof coverings for support, shall not require the removal of existing roof coverings.
3. Metal panel, metal shingle and concrete and clay tile roof coverings shall be permitted to be installed over existing wood shake roofs where applied in accordance with **Section** R908.4.
4. The application of a new protective *roof coating* over an existing **protective roof coating, metal roof panel, metal roof shingle, mineral surfaced roll roofing, built-up roof, modified bitumen roofing, thermoset and thermoplastic single-ply roofing and spray polyurethane foam roofing system** shall be permitted without tear-off of existing roof coverings.

R908.3.1.1 Roof recover not allowed. A *roof recover* shall not be permitted where any of the following conditions occur:

1. Where the existing roof or roof covering is water soaked or has deteriorated to the point that the existing roof or roof covering is not adequate as a base for additional roofing.
2. Where the existing roof covering is slate, clay, cement or asbestos-cement tile.
3. Where the existing roof has two or more applications of any type of roof covering.

R908.4 Roof recovering. Where the application of a new roof covering over wood shingle or shake roofs creates a combustible concealed space, the entire existing surface shall be covered with gypsum board, mineral fiber, glass fiber or other *approved* materials securely fastened in place.

R908.5 Reinstallation of materials. Existing slate, clay or cement tile shall be permitted for reinstallation, except that damaged, cracked or broken slate or tile shall not be reinstalled. Any existing flashings, edgings, outlets, vents or similar devices that are a part of the assembly shall be replaced where rusted, damaged or deteriorated. Aggregate surfacing materials shall not be reinstalled.

R908.6 Flashings. Flashings shall be reconstructed in accordance with *approved* manufacturer's installation instructions. Metal flashing to which bituminous materials are to be adhered shall be primed prior to installation.

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CHAPTER 10

CHIMNEYS AND FIREPLACES

User note:

About this chapter: Chapter 10 contains requirements for the construction, seismic reinforcing and anchorage of masonry chimneys and fireplaces; and establishes standards for the use and installation of factory-built chimneys, fireplaces and masonry heaters. Chimneys and fireplaces constructed of masonry rely on prescriptive requirements for the details of their construction; factory-built versions rely on the listing and labeling method of approval.

SECTION R1001 MASONRY FIREPLACES

R1001.1 General. Masonry fireplaces shall be constructed in accordance with this section and the applicable provisions of Chapters 3 and 4.

R1001.2 Footings and foundations. Footings for masonry fireplaces and their chimneys shall be constructed of concrete or *solid masonry* not less than 305 mm (12 inches) thick and shall extend not less than 150 mm (6 inches) beyond the face of the fireplace or foundation wall on all sides. Footings shall be founded on natural, undisturbed earth or engineered fill. Footings shall be not less than 305 mm (12 inches) below finished *grade*.

R1001.2.1 Ash dump cleanout. Cleanout openings located within foundation walls below fireboxes, where provided, shall be equipped with ferrous metal or masonry doors and frames constructed to remain tightly closed except when in use. Cleanouts shall be located to allow *access* so that ash removal will not create a hazard to combustible materials.

R1001.3 Seismic reinforcing. Masonry or concrete chimneys in Seismic Design Category D₀, D₁ or D₂ shall be reinforced. Reinforcing shall conform to the requirements set forth in Table R1001.1 and Section R606.

R1001.3.1 Vertical reinforcing. For chimneys up to 1,015 mm (40 inches) wide, four No. 4 continuous vertical bars shall be placed between wythes of *solid masonry* or within the cells of hollow unit masonry and grouted in accordance with Section R606. Grout shall be prevented from bonding with the flue liner so that the flue liner is free to move with thermal expansion. For chimneys more than 1,015 mm (40 inches) wide, two additional No. 4 vertical bars shall be provided for each additional flue incorporated into the chimney or for each additional 1,015 mm (40 inches) in width or fraction thereof.

R1001.3.2 Horizontal reinforcing. Vertical reinforcement shall be placed within (6.35 mm (1/4-inch) ties, or other reinforcing of equivalent net cross-sectional area, placed in the bed joints in accordance with Section R606 at not less than every 455 mm (18 inches) of vertical height. Two such ties shall be installed at each bend in the vertical bars.

R1001.4 Seismic anchorage. Masonry or concrete chimneys in Seismic Design Category D₀, D₁ or D₂ shall be anchored at each

floor, ceiling or roof line more than 1,830 mm (6 feet) above *grade*, except where constructed completely within the exterior walls. Anchorage shall conform to the requirements of Section R1001.4.1.

R1001.4.1 Anchorage. Two 5 mm by 25 mm (3/16-inch by 1-inch) straps shall be embedded not less than 305 mm (12 inches) into the chimney. Straps shall be hooked around the outer bars and extend 150 mm (6 inches) beyond the bend. Each strap shall be fastened to not less than four floor ceiling or floor joists or rafters with two 12.5 mm (1/2-inch) bolts.

R1001.4.1.1 Cold-formed steel framing. Where cold-formed steel framing is used, the location where the 12.5 mm (1/2-inch) bolts are used to attach the straps to the framing shall be reinforced with not less than a 76 mm O 76 mm O 58 mm (3-inch 3-inch 0.229-inch) steel plate on top of the strap that is screwed to the framing with not fewer than seven No. 6 screws for each bolt.

R1001.5 Firebox walls. Masonry fireboxes shall be constructed of *solid masonry* units, hollow masonry units grouted solid, stone or concrete. Where a lining of firebrick not less than 51 mm (2 inches) thick or other *approved* lining is provided, the minimum thickness of back and sidewalls shall each be 205 mm (8 inches) of *solid masonry*, including the lining. The width of joints between firebricks shall not be greater than 6.4 mm (1/4 inch). Where a lining is not provided, the total minimum thickness of back and side walls shall be 255 (10 inches) of *solid masonry*. Firebrick shall conform to ASTM C27 or C1261 and shall be laid with medium-duty refractory mortar conforming to ASTM C199.

R1001.5.1 Steel fireplace units. Installation of steel fireplace units with *solid masonry* to form a masonry fireplace is permitted where installed either in accordance with the requirements of their listing or the requirements of this section. Steel fireplace units incorporating a steel firebox lining shall be constructed with steel not less than 6.4 mm (1/4 inch) thick, and an air-circulating chamber that is ducted to the interior of the building. The firebox lining shall be encased with *solid masonry* to provide a total thickness at the back and sides of not less than 205 mm (8 inches), of which not less than 100 mm (4 inches) shall be of *solid masonry* or concrete. Circulating air ducts used

with steel fireplace units shall be constructed of metal or masonry.

**TABLE R1001.1
SUMMARY OF REQUIREMENTS FOR MASONRY FIREPLACES AND CHIMNEYS**

ITEM	LETTER ^a	REQUIREMENTS
Hearth slab thickness	A	100 mm
Hearth extension (each side of opening)	B	205 mm fireplace opening < 0.557 m ² 305 mm fireplace opening ≥ 0.557 m ²
Hearth extension (front of opening)	C	405 mm fireplace opening < 0.557 m ² 510 mm fireplace opening ≥ 0.557 m ²
Hearth slab reinforcing	D	Reinforced to carry its own weight and all imposed loads.
Thickness of wall of firebox	E	255 mm solid brick or 205 mm where a firebrick lining is used. Joints in firebrick 6.35 mm maximum.
Distance from top of opening in throat	F	205 mm
Smoke chamber wall thickness	G	150 mm
Unlined walls		205 mm
Chimney Vertical reinforcing ^b	H	Four No. 4 full-length bars for chimney up to 1,015 mm wide. Add two No. 4 bars for each additional 1,015 mm or fraction of width or each additional flue.
Horizontal reinforcing	J	6.35 mm ties at 455 mm on centre and two ties at each bend in vertical steel
Bond beams	K	No specified requirements
Fireplace lintel	L	Non-combustible material
Chimney walls with flue lining	M	Solid masonry units or hollow masonry units grouted solid with not less than 100 mm nominal thickness.
Distances between adjacent flues	-	See Section R1003.13
Effective flue area (based on area of fireplace opening)	P	See Section R1003.15
Clearances Combustible material Mantel and trim Above roof	R	See Sections R1001.11 and R1003.18
		See Section R1001.11, Exception 4 915 mm at roofline and 610 mm at 3,050 mm.
Anchorage ^b Strap Number Embedment into chimney Fasten to Bolts	S	5 mm x 25 mm
		Two 305 mm hooked around outer bar with 150 mm extension 4 joists Two 12.5 mm diameter.
Footing Thickness Width	T	305 mm minimum 150 mm each side of fireplace wall.

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 m = 0.00328 ft, 1 m² = 10.764 ft².

Note: This table provides a summary of major requirements for the construction of masonry chimneys and fireplaces. Letter references are to Figure R1001.1, which shows examples of typical construction. This table does not cover all requirements, nor does it cover all aspects of the indicated requirements. For the actual mandatory requirements of the code, see the indicated section of text.

1. The letters refer to Figure R1001.1.
2. Not required in Seismic Design Category A, B or C.

R1001.6 Firebox dimensions. The firebox of a concrete or masonry fireplace shall have a depth of not less than 510 mm (20 inches). The throat shall be not less than 205 mm (8 inches) above the fireplace opening. The throat opening shall

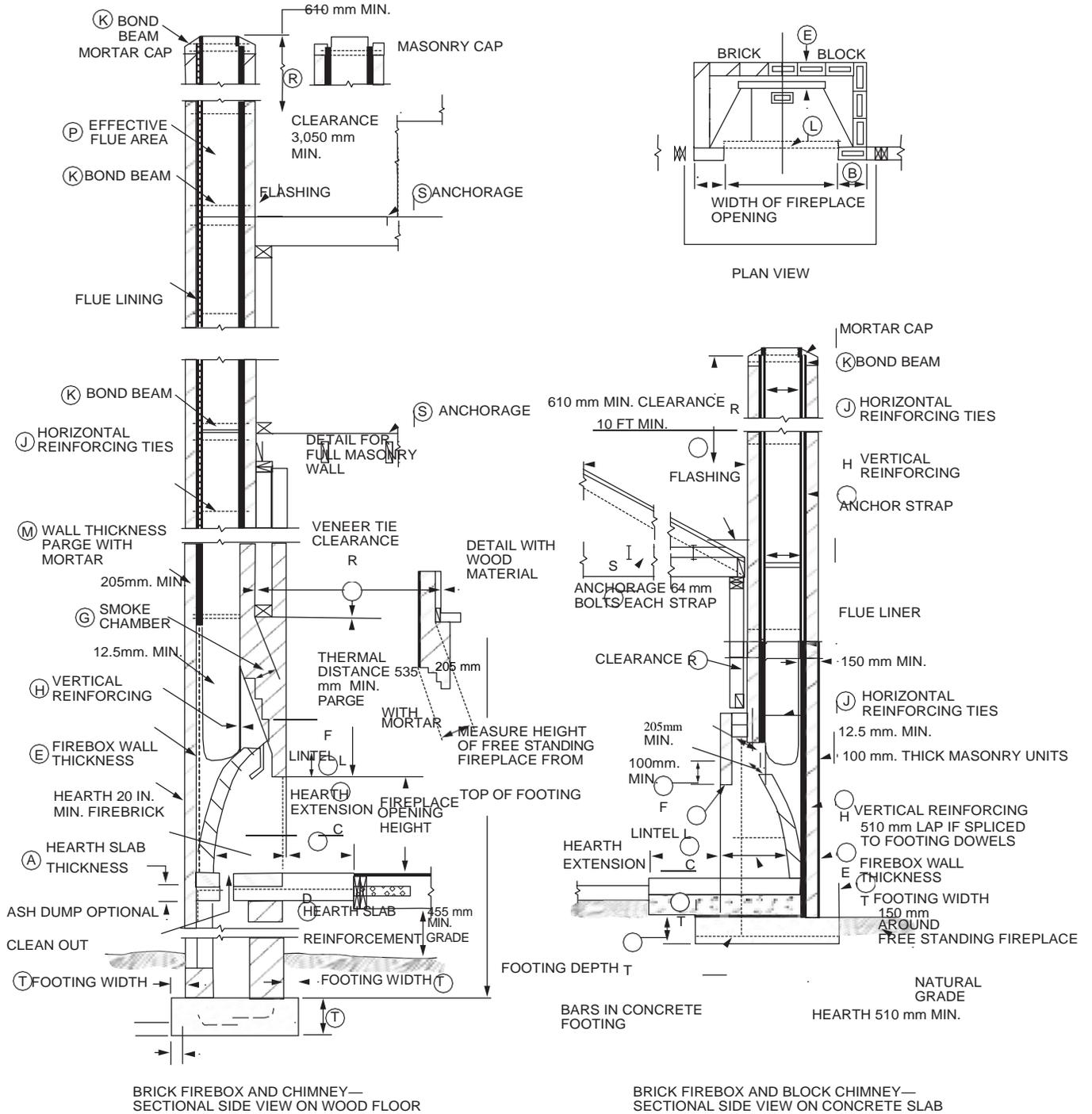
be not less than 100 mm (4 inches) deep. The cross-sectional area of the passageway above the firebox, including the throat, damper and smoke chamber, shall be not less than the cross-sectional area of the flue.

Exception: Rumford fireplaces shall be permitted provided that the depth of the fireplace is not less than 305 mm (12 inches) and not less than one-third of the width of the fireplace opening, that the throat is not less than 305 mm (12 inches) above the lintel and is not less than one-twentieth the cross-sectional area of the fireplace opening.

R1001.7 Lintel and throat. Masonry over a fireplace opening shall be supported by a lintel of noncombustible material. The minimum required bearing length on each end of the fireplace opening shall be 100 mm (4 inches). The fireplace throat or damper shall be located not less than 205 mm (8 inches) above the lintel.

R1001.7.1 Damper. Masonry fireplaces shall be equipped with a ferrous metal damper located not less than 205 mm (8 inches) above the top of the fireplace opening. Dampers shall be installed in the fireplace or the chimney venting the fireplace, and shall be operable from the room containing the fireplace.

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For IPU: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 ft.

**FIGURE R1001.1
FIREPLACE AND CHIMNEY DETAILS**

R1001.8 Smoke chamber. Smoke chamber walls shall be constructed of *solid masonry* units, hollow masonry units grouted solid, stone or concrete. The total minimum thickness of front, back and side walls shall be 205 mm (8 inches) of *solid masonry*. The inside surface shall be parged smooth with refractory mortar conforming to ASTM C199. Where a lining of firebrick not less than 51 mm (2 inches) thick, or a lining of vitrified clay not less than 16 mm (⁵/₈ inch) thick, is provided, the total minimum thickness of front, back and side walls shall be 150 mm (6 inches) of *solid masonry*, including the lining. Firebrick shall conform to ASTM C1261 and shall be laid with medium-duty refractory mortar conforming to ASTM C199. Vitrified clay linings shall conform to ASTM C315.

R1001.8.1 Smoke chamber dimensions. The inside height of the smoke chamber from the fireplace throat to the beginning of the flue shall not be greater than the inside width of the fireplace opening. The inside surface of the smoke chamber shall not be inclined more than 45 degrees (0.79 rad) from vertical where prefabricated smoke chamber linings are used or where the smoke chamber walls are rolled or sloped rather than corbeled. Where the inside surface of the smoke chamber is formed by corbeled masonry, the walls shall not be corbeled more than 30 degrees (0.52 rad) from vertical.

R1001.9 Hearth and hearth extension. Masonry fireplaces hearths and hearth extensions shall be constructed of concrete or masonry, supported by noncombustible materials, and reinforced to carry their own weight and all imposed loads. Combustible material shall not remain against the underside of hearths and hearth extensions after construction.

R1001.9.1 Hearth thickness. The minimum thickness of fireplace hearths shall be 100 mm (4 inches).

R1001.9.2 Hearth extension thickness. The minimum thickness of hearth extensions shall be 51 mm (2 inches).

Exception: Where the bottom of the firebox opening is raised not less than 205 mm (8 inches) above the top of the hearth extension, a hearth extension of not less than 10 mm (³/₈-inch)-thick brick, concrete, stone, tile or other *approved* noncombustible material is permitted.

R1001.10 Hearth extension dimensions. Hearth extensions shall extend not less than 405 mm (16 inches) in front of and not less than 205 mm (8 inches) beyond each side of the fireplace opening. Where the fireplace opening is 0.557 m² (6 square feet) or larger, the hearth extension shall extend not less than 510 mm (20 inches) in front of and not less than 305 mm (12 inches) beyond each side of the fireplace opening.

R1001.11 Fireplace clearance. Wood beams, joists, studs and other combustible material shall have a clearance of not less than 51 mm (2 inches) from the front faces and sides of masonry fireplaces and not less than 100 mm (4 inches) from the back faces of masonry fireplaces. The airspace shall not be filled, except to provide fireblocking in accordance with Section R1001.12.

Exceptions:

- a) Masonry fireplaces *listed* and *labelled* for use in contact with combustibles in accordance with UL 127 and installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions are permitted to have combustible material in contact with their exterior surfaces.
- b) Where masonry fireplaces are part of masonry or concrete walls, combustible materials shall not be in contact with the masonry or concrete walls less than 305 mm (12 inches) from the inside surface of the nearest firebox lining.

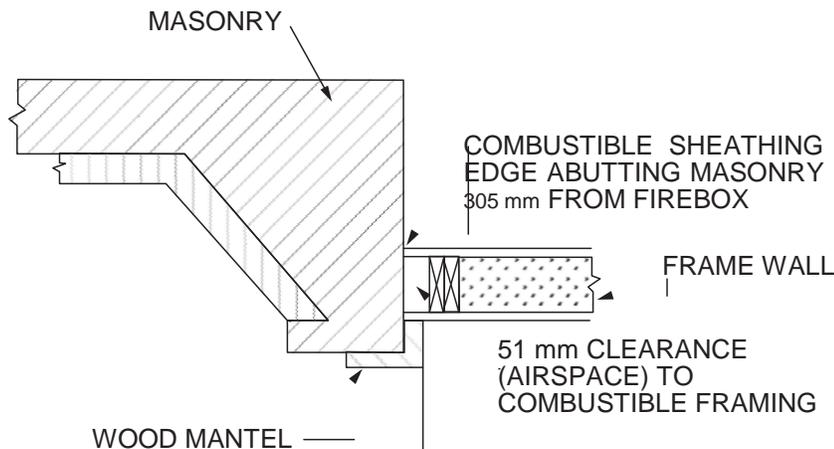


FIGURE R1001.11 CLEARANCE FROM COMBUSTIBLES

For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm.

- c) Exposed combustible trim and the edges of sheathing materials such as wood siding, flooring and gypsum board shall be permitted to abut the masonry fireplace sidewalls and hearth extension in accordance with Figure R1001.11, provided such combustible trim or sheathing is not less than 305 mm (12 inches) from the inside surface of the nearest fire-box lining.
- d) Exposed combustible mantels or trim is permitted to be placed directly on the masonry fireplace front surrounding the fireplace opening providing such combustible materials are not placed within 150 mm (6 inches) of a fireplace opening. Combustible material within 305 mm (12 inches) of the fireplace opening shall not project more than 2 mm ($\frac{1}{8}$ inch) for each 25 mm (1-inch) distance from such an opening.

R1001.12 Fireplace fireblocking. Fireplace fireblocking shall comply with the provisions of Section R602.8.

SECTION R1002 MASONRY HEATERS

R1002.1 Definition. A masonry heater is a heating *appliance* constructed of concrete or *solid masonry*, hereinafter referred to as masonry, that is designed to absorb and store heat from a solid-fuel fire built in the firebox by routing the exhaust gases through internal heat exchange channels in which the flow path downstream of the firebox includes flow in a horizontal or downward direction before entering the chimney and that delivers heat by radiation from the masonry surface of the heater.

R1002.2 Installation. Masonry heaters shall be installed in accordance with this section and comply with one of the following:

- 1. Masonry heaters shall comply with the requirements of ASTM E1602.
- 2. Masonry heaters shall be *listed* and *labelled* in accordance with UL 1482 or CEN 15250 and installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

R1002.3 Footings and foundation. The firebox floor of a masonry heater shall be a minimum thickness of 100 mm (4 inches) of noncombustible material and be supported on a noncombustible footing and foundation in accordance with Section R1003.2.

R1002.4 Seismic reinforcing. In Seismic Design Categories D₀, D₁ and D₂, masonry heaters shall be anchored to the masonry foundation in accordance with Section R1003.3. Seismic reinforcing shall not be required within the body of a masonry heater whose height is equal to or less than 3.5 times its body width and where the masonry chimney serving the heater is not supported by the body of the heater. Where the masonry chimney shares a common wall with the facing of the masonry heater, the chimney portion of the structure shall be reinforced in accordance with Section R1003.

R1002.5 Masonry heater clearance. Combustible materials shall not be placed within 915 mm (36 inches) of the outside

surface of a masonry heater in accordance with NFPA 211 Section 8-7 (clearances for solid-fuel-burning *appliances*), and the required space between the heater and combustible material shall be fully vented to permit the free flow of air around all heater surfaces.

Exceptions:

- 1. Where the masonry heater wall is not less than 205 mm (8 inches) thick of *solid masonry* and the wall of the heat exchange channels is not less than 125 mm (5 inches) thick of *solid masonry*, combustible materials shall not be placed within 100 mm (4 inches) of the outside surface of a masonry heater. A clearance of not less than 205 mm (8 inches) shall be provided between the gas-tight capping slab of the heater and a combustible ceiling.
- 2. Masonry heaters listed and labelled in accordance with UL 1482 or CEN 15250 shall be installed in accordance with the listing specifications and the manufacturer's written instructions.

SECTION R1003 MASONRY CHIMNEYS

R1003.1 Definition. A masonry chimney is a chimney constructed of *solid masonry* units, hollow masonry units grouted solid, stone or concrete, hereinafter referred to as masonry. Masonry chimneys shall be constructed, anchored, supported and reinforced as required in this chapter.

R1003.2 Footings and foundations. Footings for masonry chimneys shall be constructed of concrete or *solid masonry* not less than 305 mm (12 inches) thick and shall extend not less than 150 mm (6 inches) beyond the face of the foundation or support wall on all sides. Footings shall be founded on natural undisturbed earth or engineered fill below frost depth. In areas not subjected to freezing, footings shall be not less than 305 mm (12 inches) below finished *grade*.

R1003.3 Seismic reinforcing. Masonry or concrete chimneys shall be constructed, anchored, supported and reinforced as required in this chapter. In Seismic Design Category D₀, D₁ or D₂ masonry and concrete chimneys shall be reinforced and anchored as detailed in Sections R1003.3.1, R1003.3.2 and R1003.4. In Seismic Design Category A, B or C, reinforcement and seismic anchorage are not required.

R1003.3.1 Vertical reinforcing. For chimneys up to 1,015 mm (40 inches) wide, four No. 4 continuous vertical bars, anchored in the foundation, shall be placed in the concrete, or between wythes of *solid masonry*, or within the cells of hollow unit masonry, and grouted in accordance with Section R608.1.1. Grout shall be prevented from bonding with the flue liner so that the flue liner is free to move with thermal expansion. For chimneys more than 1,015 mm (40 inches) wide, two additional No. 4 vertical bars shall be installed for each additional 1,015 mm (40 inches) in width or fraction thereof.

R1003.3.2 Horizontal reinforcing. Vertical reinforcement

shall be placed enclosed within 6.35 mm ($\frac{1}{4}$ -inch) ties, or other reinforcing of equivalent net cross-sectional area, spaced not to exceed 455 mm (18 inches) on center in con-

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crete, or placed in the bed joints of unit masonry, at not less than every 455 mm (18 inches) of vertical height. Two such ties shall be installed at each bend in the vertical bars.

R1003.4 Seismic anchorage. Masonry and concrete chimneys and foundations in Seismic Design Category D₀, D₁ or D₂ shall be anchored at each floor, ceiling or roof line more than 1,830 mm (6 feet) above *grade*, except where constructed completely within the exterior walls. Anchorage shall conform to the requirements in Section R1003.4.1.

R1003.4.1 Anchorage. Two 5 mm by 25 mm (³/₁₆-inch by 1-inch) straps shall be embedded not less than 305 mm (12 inches) into the chimney. Straps shall be hooked around the outer bars and extend 150 mm (6 inches) beyond the bend. Each strap shall be fastened to not less than four floor joists with two 12.5 mm (¹/₂-inch) bolts.

R1003.4.1.1 Cold-formed steel framing. Where cold-formed steel framing is used, the location where the 12.5 mm (¹/₂-inch) bolts are used to attach the straps to the framing shall be reinforced with not less than a 76 mm x 76 mm x 5.8 mm (3-inch \odot 3-inch \odot 0.229-inch) steel plate on top of a strap that is screwed to the framing with not fewer than seven No. 6 screws for each bolt.

R1003.5 Corbeling. Masonry chimneys shall not be corbeled more than one-half of the chimney's wall thickness from a wall or foundation, nor shall a chimney be corbeled from a wall or foundation that is less than 305 mm (12 inches) thick unless it projects equally on each side of the wall, except that on the second *story* of a two-story *dwelling*, corbeling of chimneys on the exterior of the enclosing walls shall be permitted to be equal to the wall thickness. The projection of a single course shall not exceed one-half the unit height or one-third of the unit bed depth, whichever is less.

R1003.6 Changes in dimension. The chimney wall or chimney flue lining shall not change in size or shape within 150 mm (6 inches) above or below where the chimney passes through floor components, ceiling components or roof components.

R1003.7 Offsets. Where a masonry chimney is constructed with a fireclay flue liner surrounded by one wythe of masonry, the maximum offset shall be such that the centerline of the flue above the offset does not extend beyond the center of the chimney wall below the offset. Where the chimney offset is supported by masonry below the offset in an *approved* manner, the maximum offset limitations shall not apply. Each individual corbeled masonry course of the offset shall not exceed the projection limitations specified in Section R1003.5.

R1003.8 Additional load. Chimneys shall not support loads other than their own weight unless they are designed and constructed to support the additional load. Construction of masonry chimneys as part of the masonry walls or reinforced concrete walls of the building shall be permitted.

R1003.9 Termination. Chimneys shall extend not less than 610 mm (2 feet) higher than any portion of a building within 3,050 mm (10 feet), but shall be not less than 915 mm (3 feet) above the highest point where the chimney passes through the roof.

R1003.9.1 Chimney caps. Masonry chimneys shall have a concrete, metal or stone cap, a drip edge and a caulked bond break around any flue liners in accordance with ASTM C1283. The concrete, metal or stone cap shall be sloped to shed water.

R1003.9.2 Spark arrestors. Where a spark arrestor is installed on a masonry chimney, the spark arrestor shall meet all of the following requirements:

1. The net free area of the arrestor shall be not less than four times the net free area of the outlet of the chimney flue it serves.
2. The arrestor screen shall have heat and corrosion resistance equivalent to 19-gage galvanized steel or 24-gage stainless steel.
3. Openings shall not permit the passage of spheres having a diameter greater than 12.5 mm (¹/₂ inch) nor block the passage of spheres having a diameter less than 9.5 mm (³/₈ inch).
4. The spark arrestor shall be located with *access* for cleaning and the screen or chimney cap shall be removable to allow for cleaning of the chimney flue.

R1003.9.3 Rain caps. Where a masonry or metal rain cap is installed on a masonry chimney, the net free area under the cap shall be not less than four times the net free area of the outlet of the chimney flue it serves.

R1003.10 Wall thickness. Masonry chimney walls shall be constructed of *solid masonry* units or hollow masonry units grouted solid with not less than a 100 mm (4-inch) nominal thickness.

R1003.10.1 Masonry veneer chimneys. Where masonry is used to veneer a frame chimney, through-flashing and weep holes shall be installed as required by Section R703.

R1003.11 Flue lining (material). Masonry chimneys shall be lined. The lining material shall be appropriate for the type of *appliance* connected, in accordance with the terms of the *appliance* listing and manufacturer's instructions.

R1003.11.1 Residential-type appliances (general). Flue lining systems shall comply with one of the following:

1. Clay flue lining complying with the requirements of ASTM C315.
2. Listed and labelled chimney lining systems complying with UL 1777.
3. Factory-built chimneys or chimney units listed for installation within masonry chimneys.
4. Other *approved* materials that will resist corrosion, erosion, softening or cracking from flue gases and condensate at temperatures up to 982 °C (1,800°F).

R1003.11.2 Flue linings for specific appliances. Flue linings other than these covered in Section R1003.11.1, intended for use with specific types of *appliances*, shall

comply with Sections R1003.11.3 through R1003.11.6.

R1003.11.3 Gas appliances. Flue lining systems for gas *appliances* shall be in accordance with Chapter 24.

R1003.11.4 Pellet fuel-burning appliances. Flue lining and vent systems for use in masonry chimneys with pellet fuel-burning *appliances* shall be limited to the following:

1. Flue lining systems complying with Section R1003.11.1.
2. Pellet vents listed for installation within masonry chimneys (see Section R1003.11.6 for marking).

R1003.11.5 Oil-fired appliances approved for use with Type L vent. Flue lining and vent systems for use in masonry chimneys with oil-fired *appliances approved* for use with Type L vent shall be limited to the following:

1. Flue lining systems complying with Section R1003.11.1.
2. Listed chimney liners complying with UL 641 (see Section R1003.11.6 for marking).

R1003.11.6 Notice of usage. Where a flue is relined with a material not complying with Section R1003.11.1, the chimney shall be plainly and permanently identified by a *label* attached to a wall, ceiling or other conspicuous location adjacent to where the connector enters the chimney. The *label* shall include the following message or equivalent language:

THIS CHIMNEY FLUE IS FOR USE ONLY WITH
[TYPE OR CATEGORY OF APPLIANCE] APPLI-
ANCES THAT BURN [TYPE OF FUEL]. DO NOT
CONNECT OTHER TYPES OF APPLIANCES.

R1003.12 Clay flue lining (installation). Clay flue liners shall be installed in accordance with ASTM C1283 and extend from a point not less than 205 mm (8 inches) below the lowest inlet or, in the case of fireplaces, from the top of the smoke chamber to a point above the enclosing walls. The lining shall be carried up vertically, with a slope not greater than 30 degrees (0.52 rad) from the vertical.

Clay flue liners shall be laid in medium-duty water insoluble refractory mortar conforming to ASTM C199 with tight mortar joints left smooth on the inside and installed to maintain an airspace or insulation not to exceed the thickness of the flue liner separating the flue liners from the interior face of the chimney masonry walls. Flue liners shall be supported on all sides. Only enough mortar shall be placed to make the joint and hold the liners in position.

R1003.12.1 Listed materials. *Listed* materials used as flue linings shall be installed in accordance with the terms of their listings and manufacturer’s instructions.

R1003.12.2 Space around lining. The space surrounding a chimney lining system or vent installed within a masonry chimney shall not be used to vent any other *appliance*.

Exception: This shall not prevent the installation of a separate flue lining in accordance with the manufacturer’s instructions.

R1003.13 Multiple flues. Where two or more flues are located in the same chimney, masonry wythes shall be built

between adjacent flue linings. The masonry wythes shall be not less than 100 mm (4 inches) thick and bonded into the walls of the chimney.

Exception: Where venting only one *appliance*, two flues shall be permitted to adjoin each other in the same chimney with only the flue lining separation between them. The joints of the adjacent flue linings shall be staggered not less than 100 mm (4 inches).

R1003.14 Flue area (appliance). Chimney flues shall not be smaller in area than that of the area of the connector from the *appliance* [see Tables R1003.14(1) and R1003.14(2)]. The sizing of a chimney flue to which multiple *appliance* venting systems are connected shall be in accordance with Section M1805.3.

**TABLE R1003.14(1)
NET CROSS-SECTIONAL AREA OF ROUND FLUE SIZES^a**

FLUE SIZE, INSIDE DIAMETER (millimeters)	CROSS-SECTIONAL AREA (square millimeters)
150	18,060
180	24,510
205	32,250
255	50,310
274	58,050
305	72,885
380	113,520
455	163,830

or SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm, 1 square inch = 645.16 mm².

1. Flue sizes are based on ASTM C315.

**TABLE R1003.14(2)
NET CROSS-SECTIONAL AREA OF SQUARE
AND RECTANGULAR FLUE SIZES**

FLUE SIZE, OUTSIDE NOMINAL DIMENSIONS (inches)	CROSS-SECTIONAL AREA (square inches)
114 x 216	14,835
114 x 330	21,930
205 x 205	27,090
216 x 216	31,605
205 x 305	43,215
216 x 330	49,020
305 x 305	65,790
216 x 455	65,145
330 x 330	81,9158
305 x 405	84,495
330 x 455	111,585
405 x 405	116,745
405 x 510	143,190

455 x 455	150,285
510 x 510	192,210
510 x 610	216,075
610 x 610	277,995

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For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm, 1 square inch = 645.16 mm².

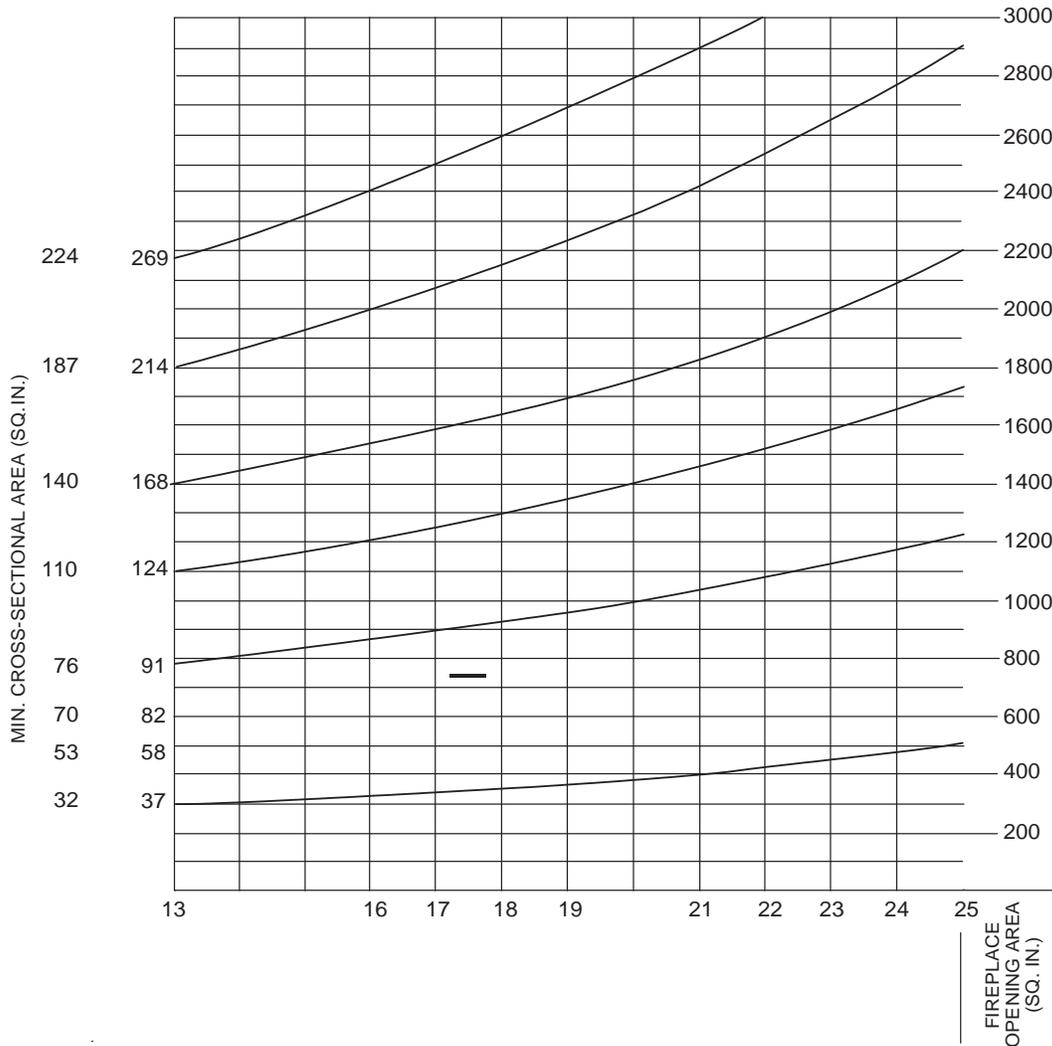
R1003.15 Flue area (masonry fireplace). Flue sizing for chimneys serving fireplaces shall be in accordance with Section R1003.15.1 or R1003.15.2.

R1003.15.1 Option 1. Round chimney flues shall have a minimum net cross-sectional area of not less than one-twelfth of the fireplace opening. Square chimney flues shall have a minimum net cross-sectional area of one-tenth of the fireplace opening. Rectangular chimney flues with an *aspect ratio* less than 2 to 1 shall have a minimum net cross-sectional area of one-tenth of the fireplace opening. Rectangular chimney flues with an *aspect ratio* of 2 to 1 or more shall have a minimum net cross-sectional area of one-eighth of the fireplace opening. Cross-sectional areas of clay flue linings are shown in Tables R1003.14(1) and

R1003.14(2) or as provided by the manufacturer or as measured in the field.

R1003.15.2 Option 2. The minimum net cross-sectional area of the chimney flue shall be determined in accordance with Figure R1003.15.2. A flue size providing not less than the equivalent net cross-sectional area shall be used. Cross-sectional areas of clay flue linings are shown in Tables R1003.14(1) and R1003.14(2) or as provided by the manufacturer or as measured in the field. The height of the chimney shall be measured from the firebox floor to the top of the chimney flue.

R1003.16 Inlet. Inlets to masonry chimneys shall enter from the side. Inlets shall have a thimble of fireclay, rigid refractory material or metal that will prevent the connector from



For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 mm = 0.00155 inch².

**FIGURE R1003.15.2
FLUE SIZES FOR MASONRY CHIMNEYS**

pulling out of the inlet or from extending beyond the wall of the liner.

R1003.17 Masonry chimney cleanout openings. Cleanout openings shall be provided within 150 mm (6 inches) of the base of each flue within every masonry chimney. The upper edge of the cleanout shall be located not less than 150 mm (6 inches) below the lowest chimney inlet opening. The height of the opening shall be not less than 150 mm (6 inches). The cleanout shall be provided with a noncombustible cover.

Exception: Chimney flues serving masonry fireplaces where cleaning is possible through the fireplace opening.

R1003.18 Chimney clearances. Any portion of a masonry chimney located in the interior of the building or within the exterior wall of the building shall have a minimum airspace clearance to combustibles of 51 mm (2 inches). Chimneys located entirely outside the exterior walls of the building, including chimneys that pass through the soffit or cornice, shall have a minimum airspace clearance of 25 mm (1 inch). The airspace shall not be filled, except to provide fire blocking in accordance with Section R1003.19.

Exceptions:

1. Masonry chimneys equipped with a chimney lining system listed and *labelled* for use in chimneys in contact with combustibles in accordance with UL 1777 and installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions are permitted to have combustible material in contact with their exterior surfaces.
2. Where masonry chimneys are constructed as part of masonry or concrete walls, combustible materials shall not be in contact with the masonry or concrete wall less than 305 mm (12 inches) from the inside surface of the nearest flue lining.
3. Exposed combustible trim and the edges of sheathing materials, such as wood siding and flooring, shall be permitted to abut the masonry chimney side walls, in accordance with Figure R1003.18, provided such combustible trim or sheathing is not less

Than 205 mm (8 inches)) from the inside surface of the nearest flue lining.

R1003.19 Chimney fireblocking. Spaces between chimneys and floors and ceilings through which chimneys pass shall be fireblocked with noncombustible material securely fastened in place. The fireblocking of spaces between chimneys and wood joists, beams or headers shall be self-supporting or be placed on strips of metal or metal lath laid across the spaces between combustible material and the chimney.

R1003.20 Chimney crickets. Chimneys shall be provided with crickets where the dimension parallel to the ridgeline is greater than 760 mm (30 inches) and does not intersect the ridgeline. The intersection of the cricket and the chimney shall be flashed and counterflashed in the same manner as normal roof-chimney intersections. Crickets shall be constructed in compliance with Figure R1003.20 and Table R1003.20.

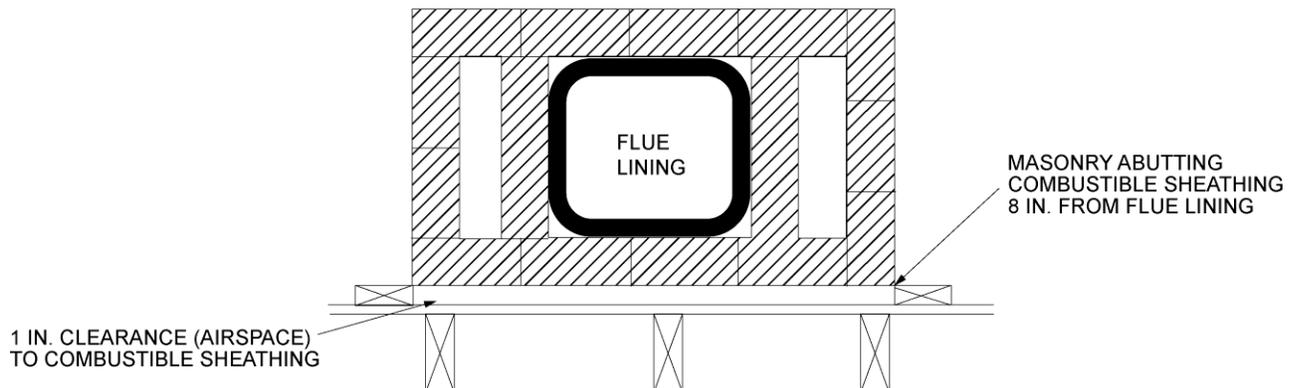
**TABLE R1003.20
CRICKET DIMENSIONS**

ROOF SLOPE	H
12:12	1/2 of W
8:12	1/3 of W
6:12	1/4 of W
4:12	1/6 of W
3:12	1/8 of W

**SECTION R1004
FACTORY-BUILT FIREPLACES**

R1004.1 General. Factory-built fireplaces shall be *listed* and *labelled* and shall be installed in accordance with the conditions of the *listing*. Factory-built fireplaces shall be tested in accordance with UL 127.

R1004.2 Hearth extensions. Hearth extensions of *approved* factory-built fireplaces shall be installed in accordance with the *listing* of the fireplace. The hearth extension shall be read-



For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm.

**FIGURE R1003.18
CLEARANCE FROM COMBUSTIBLES**

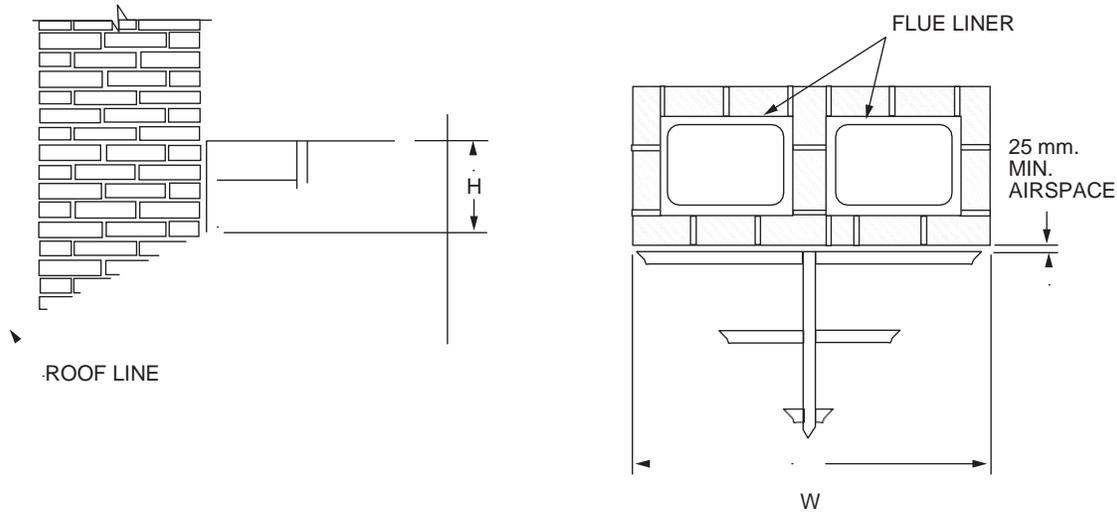


FIGURE R1003.20
CHIMNEY CRICKET

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Inch

For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm.

ily distinguishable from the surrounding floor area. Listed and labelled hearth extensions shall comply with UL 1618.

R1004.3 Decorative shrouds. Decorative shrouds shall not be installed at the termination of chimneys for factory-built fireplaces except where the shrouds are listed and *labelled* for use with the specific factory-built fireplace system and installed in accordance with the manufacturer’s instructions.

R1004.4 Unvented gas log heaters. An unvented gas log heater shall not be installed in a factory-built fireplace unless the fireplace system has been specifically tested, *listed* and *labelled* for such use in accordance with UL 127.

R1004.5 Gasketed fireplace doors. A gasketed fireplace door shall not be installed on a factory-built fireplace except where the fireplace system has been specifically tested, *listed* and *labelled* for such use in accordance with UL 127.

SECTION R1005 FACTORY-BUILT CHIMNEYS

R1005.1 Listing. *Factory-built chimneys* shall be *listed* and *labelled* and shall be installed and terminated in accordance with the *manufacturer’s installation instructions*.

R1005.2 Decorative shrouds. Decorative shrouds shall not be installed at the termination of *factory-built chimneys* except where the shrouds are *listed* and *labelled* for use with the specific *factory-built chimney* system and installed in accordance with the *manufacturer’s installation instructions*.

R1005.3 Solid-fuel appliances. *Factory-built chimneys* installed in *dwelling units* with solid-fuel-burning *appliances* shall comply with the Type HT requirements of UL 103 and shall be marked “Type HT” and “Residential Type and Building Heating Appliance Chimney.”

Exception: *Chimneys* for use with open combustion chamber fireplaces shall comply with the requirements of

UL 103 and shall be marked “Residential Type and Building Heating Appliance Chimney.”

Chimneys for use with open combustion chamber *appliances* installed in buildings other than *dwelling units* shall comply with the requirements of UL 103 and shall be marked “Building Heating Appliance Chimney” or “Residential Type and Building Heating Appliance Chimney.”

R1005.4 Factory-built fireplaces. *Chimneys* for use with factory-built fireplaces shall comply with the requirements of UL 127.

R1005.5 Support. Where *factory-built chimneys* are supported by structural members, such as joists and rafters, those members shall be designed to support the additional load.

R1005.6 Medium-heat appliances. *Factory-built chimneys* for medium-heat *appliances* producing flue gases having a temperature above 538 °C (1,000°F), measured at the entrance to the *chimney*, shall comply with UL 959.

R1005.7 Factory-built chimney offsets. Where a *factory-built chimney* assembly incorporates offsets, no part of the *chimney* shall be at an angle of more than 30 degrees (0.52 rad) from vertical at any point in the assembly and the *chimney* assembly shall not include more than four elbows.

R1005.8 Insulation shield. Where *factory-built chimneys* pass through insulated assemblies, an insulation shield constructed of *steel* having a thickness of not less than 0.4712 mm (0.0187 inch) (No. 26 gage) shall be installed to provide clearance between the *chimney* and the insulation material. The clearance shall be not less than the clearance to combustibles specified by the *chimney manufacturer’s installation instructions*. Where *chimneys* pass through attic space, the shield shall terminate not less than 51 mm (2 inches) above the insulation materials and shall be secured in place to prevent displacement. Insulation shields provided as part of a *listed* chimney system shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer’s installation instructions.

SECTION R1006 EXTERIOR AIR SUPPLY

R1006.1 Exterior air. Factory-built or masonry fireplaces covered in this chapter shall be equipped with an exterior air supply to ensure proper fuel combustion unless the room is mechanically ventilated and controlled so that the indoor pressure is neutral or positive.

R1006.1.1 Factory-built fireplaces. Exterior *combustion air* ducts for factory-built fireplaces shall be a *listed* component of the fireplace and shall be installed in accordance with the fireplace manufacturer's instructions.

R1006.1.2 Masonry fireplaces. *Listed combustion air* ducts for masonry fireplaces shall be installed in accordance with the terms of their *listing* and the manufacturer's instructions.

R1006.2 Exterior air intake. The exterior air intake shall be capable of supplying all *combustion air* from the exterior of the *dwelling* or from spaces within the *dwelling* ventilated with outdoor air such as nonmechanically ventilated crawl or *attic* spaces. The exterior air intake shall not be located within the garage or basement of the dwelling. The exterior air intake, for other than listed factory-built fireplaces, shall not be located at an elevation higher than the firebox. The exterior air intake shall be covered with a corrosion-resistant screen of 6.35 mm ($\frac{1}{4}$ -inch) mesh.

R1006.3 Clearance. Unlisted *combustion air* ducts shall be installed with a minimum 25 mm (1-inch) clearance to combustibles for all parts of the duct within 1,525 mm (5 feet) of the duct outlet.

R1006.4 Passageway. The *combustion air* passageway shall be not less than 150 mm (6 square inches) and not more than 0.035 m² (55 square inches), except that *combustion air* systems for listed fireplaces shall be constructed in accordance with the fireplace manufacturer's instructions.

R1006.5 Outlet. The exterior air outlet shall be located in the back or side of the firebox chamber or shall be located outside of the firebox, at the level of the hearth and not greater than 610 mm (24 inches) from the firebox opening. The outlet shall be closable and designed to prevent burning material from dropping into concealed combustible spaces.

Part IV—Energy Conservation

CHAPTER 11 [RE] ENERGY EFFICIENCY

User note:

About this chapter: The purpose of Chapter 11 [RE] is to provide minimum design requirements that will promote efficient utilization of energy in buildings. The requirements are directed toward the design of building envelopes with adequate thermal resistance and low air leakage, and toward the design and selection of mechanical, water heating, electrical and illumination systems that promote efficient use of depletable energy resources.

SECTION N1101 GENERAL

N1101.1 Scope. This chapter regulates the energy efficiency for the design and construction of buildings regulated by this code.

Note: The text of the following Sections N1101.2 through N1111 parallels the text of the 2020 edition of the Jamaica Energy Conservation Code—Residential Provisions (JECC-R). The section numbers appearing in parenthesis after each section number are the section numbers of the corresponding text in the JECC-R. If a section does not have a section number in parenthesis after it, then there is no corresponding text in the JECC-R.

N1101.2 (R101.3) Intent. This chapter shall regulate the design and construction of *buildings* for the effective use and conservation of energy over the useful life of each *building* whether it is *conditioned* or *unconditioned*. This chapter is intended to provide flexibility to permit the use of innovative approaches and techniques to achieve this objective. This chapter is not intended to abridge safety, health or environmental requirements contained in other applicable codes or ordinances.

N1101.3 (R101.5.1) Compliance materials. The *building official* shall be permitted to approve specific computer software, worksheets, compliance manuals and other similar materials that meet the intent of this chapter.

N1101.4 (R102.1.1) Above code programmes. The *Local Authority* deem a national, or local energy-efficiency programme to exceed the energy efficiency required by this code. *Buildings approved* in writing by such an energy-efficiency programme shall be considered to be in compliance with this code. The requirements identified as “mandatory” in this chapter, as applicable, shall be met.

N1101.5 (R103.2) Information on construction documents. Construction documents shall be drawn to scale on suitable material. Electronic media documents are permitted to be submitted when *approved* by the Local Authority. Construction documents shall be of sufficient clarity to indicate the location, nature and extent of the building work proposed, and show in sufficient detail pertinent data and features of the

building, systems and equipment as herein governed. Details shall include the following as applicable:

1. Insulation materials and their *R*-values.
2. Fenestration *U*-factors and *solar heat gain coefficients* (SHGC).
3. Area-weighted *U*-factor and *solar heat gain coefficient* (SHGC) calculations.
4. Mechanical system design criteria.
5. Mechanical and service water heating systems and equipment types, sizes and efficiencies.
6. Equipment and system controls.
7. Duct sealing, duct and pipe insulation and location.
8. Air sealing details.

N1101.5.1 (R103.2.1) Building thermal envelope depiction. The *building thermal envelope* shall be represented on the construction documents.

N1101.6 (R202) Defined terms. The following words and terms shall, for the purposes of this chapter, have the following meanings

ABOVE-GRADE WALL. A wall more than 50 percent above grade and enclosing *conditioned space*. This includes between-floor spandrels, peripheral edges of floors, roof and basement knee walls, dormer walls, gable end walls, walls enclosing a mansard roof and *skylight* shafts.

ACCESSIBLE. Admitting close approach as a result of not being guarded by locked doors, elevation or other effective means (see “*Readily accessible*”).

ADDITION. An extension or increase in the *conditioned space* floor area, number of stories or height of a building or structure.

AIR BARRIER. One or more materials joined together in a continuous manner to restrict or prevent the passage of air

through the *building thermal envelope* and its assemblies.

AIR-IMPERMEABLE INSULATION. An insulation that functions as an air barrier material.

ALTERATION. Any construction, retrofit or renovation to an existing structure other than *repair* or *addition*. Also, a change in a building, electrical, gas, mechanical or plumbing system that involves an extension, *addition* or change to the arrangement, type or purpose of the original installation.

AUTOMATIC. Self-acting, operating by its own mechanism when actuated by some impersonal influence, as, for example, a change in current strength, pressure, temperature or mechanical configuration (see “Manual”).

BASEMENT WALL. A wall 50 percent or more below grade and enclosing *conditioned space*.

BUILDING. Any structure used or intended for supporting or sheltering in any occupancy. It includes any mechanical systems, service water heating systems and electric power and lighting systems located on the building site and supporting the building.

BUILDING SITE. A contiguous area of land that is under the ownership or control of one entity.

BUILDING THERMAL ENVELOPE. The *basement walls*, *exterior walls*, floors, ceilings, roofs and any other *building element assemblies* that enclose *conditioned space* or provide a boundary between *conditioned space* and exempt or *unconditioned space*.

CIRCULATING HOT WATER SYSTEM. A specifically designed water distribution system where one or more pumps are operated in the service hot water piping to circulate heated water from the water-heating equipment to fixtures and back to the water-heating equipment.

CLIMATE ZONE. A geographical region based on climatic criteria as specified in this code.

CONDITIONED FLOOR AREA. The horizontal projection of the floors associated with the *conditioned space*.

CONDITIONED SPACE. An area, room or space that is enclosed within the *building thermal envelope* and that is directly heated or cooled or indirectly heated or cooled. Spaces are indirectly heated or cooled where they communicate through openings with conditioned spaces, where they are separated from conditioned spaces by uninsulated walls, floors or ceilings, or where they contain uninsulated ducts, piping or other sources of heating or cooling.

CONTINUOUS AIR BARRIER. A combination of materials and assemblies that restrict or prevent the passage of air through the *building thermal envelope*.

CONTINUOUS INSULATION (ci). Insulating material that is continuous across all structural members without thermal bridges other than fasteners and service openings. It is installed on the interior or exterior, or is integral to any opaque surface, of the *building envelope*.

CRAWL SPACE WALL. The opaque portion of a wall that encloses a crawl space and is partially or totally below grade.

CURTAIN WALL. Fenestration products used to create an external nonload-bearing wall that is designed to separate the exterior and interior environments.

DEMAND RECIRCULATION WATER SYSTEM. A water distribution system having one or more recirculation

pumps that pump water from a heated water supply pipe back to the heated water source through a cold-water supply pipe.

DUCT. A tube or conduit utilized for conveying air, however, the air passages of self-contained systems are not to be construed as air ducts.

DUCT SYSTEM. A continuous passageway for the transmission of air that, in addition to ducts, includes duct fittings, dampers, plenums, fans and accessory air-handling equipment and appliances.

DWELLING UNIT. A single unit providing complete independent living facilities for one or more persons, including permanent provisions for living, sleeping, eating, cooking and sanitation.

ENERGY ANALYSIS. A method for estimating the annual energy use of the *proposed design* and *standard reference design* based on estimates of energy use.

ENERGY COST. The total estimated annual cost for purchased energy for the building functions regulated by this code, including applicable demand charges.

ENERGY SIMULATION TOOL. An *approved* software programme or calculation-based methodology that projects the annual energy use of a *building*.

ERI REFERENCE DESIGN. A version of the *rated design* that meets the minimum requirements of the 2006 *International Energy Conservation Code*.

EXTERIOR WALL. Walls including both above-grade walls and *basement walls*.

FENESTRATION. Products classified as either *vertical fenestration* or *skylights*.

Skylights. Glass or other transparent or translucent glazing material installed at a slope of less than 60 degrees (1.05 rad) from horizontal.

Vertical fenestration. Windows that are fixed or operable, opaque doors, glazed doors, glazed block and combination opaque/glazed doors composed of glass or other transparent or translucent glazing materials and installed at a slope of not less than 60 degrees (1.05 rad) from horizontal.

FENESTRATION PRODUCT, SITE-BUILT. A fenestration designed to be made up of field-glazed or field-assembled units using specific factory cut or otherwise factory-formed framing and glazing units. Examples of site-built fenestration include storefront systems, curtain walls, and atrium roof systems.

HEATED SLAB. Slab-on-grade construction in which the heating elements, hydronic tubing, or hot air distribution system is in contact with, or placed within or under, the slab.

HIGH-EFFICACY LAMPS. Compact fluorescent lamps, light-emitting diode (LED) lamps, T-8 or smaller diameter linear fluorescent lamps, or other lamps with an efficacy of not less than the following:

1. 60 lumens per watt for lamps over 40 watts.
2. 50 lumens per watt for lamps over 15 watts to 40 watts.
3. 40 lumens per watt for lamps 15 watts or less.

HISTORIC BUILDING. Any

building or structure that is one or more of the following:

1. declared by the Jamaica National Heritage Trust to be a national monument under the national Heritage trust Act.
2. Designated as historic under an applicable law.

INFILTRATION. The uncontrolled inward air leakage into a building caused by the pressure effects of wind or the effect of differences in the indoor and outdoor air density or both.

INSULATED SIDING. A type of continuous insulation with manufacturer-installed insulating material as an integral part of the cladding product having an *R*-value of not less than R-2.

INSULATING SHEATHING. An insulating board with a core material having an *R*-value of not less than R-2.

LABELLED. Equipment, materials or products to which have been affixed a label, seal, symbol or other identifying mark of a nationally recognized testing laboratory, *approved* agency or other organization concerned with product evaluation that maintains periodic inspection of the production of such labelled items and whose labeling indicates either that the equipment, material or product meets identified standards or has been tested and found suitable for a specified purpose.

LISTED. Equipment, materials, products or services included in a list published by an organization acceptable to the *building official* and concerned with evaluation of products or services that maintains periodic inspection of production of *listed* equipment or materials or periodic evaluation of services and where the listing states either that the equipment, material, product or service meets identified standards or has been tested and found suitable for a specified purpose.

LOW-VOLTAGE LIGHTING. Lighting equipment powered through a transformer such as a cable conductor, a rail conductor and track lighting.

MANUAL. Capable of being operated by personal intervention (see “Automatic”).

OPAQUE DOOR. A door that is not less than 50-percent opaque in surface area.

PROPOSED DESIGN. A description of the proposed building used to estimate annual energy use for determining compliance based on total building performance.

RATED DESIGN. A description of the proposed *building* used to determine the energy rating index.

READILY ACCESSIBLE. Capable of being reached quickly for operation, renewal or inspection without requiring those to whom ready access is requisite to climb over or remove obstacles or to resort to portable ladders or access equipment (see “*Accessible*”).

REPAIR. The reconstruction or renewal of any part of an existing *building* for the purpose of its maintenance or to correct damage.

REROOFING. The process of recovering or replacing an existing roof covering. See “Roof recover” and “Roof replacement.”

RESIDENTIAL BUILDING. For this chapter, includes detached one- and two-family dwellings and townhouses as well as Group R-2, R-3 and R-4 buildings three stories or less in height above grade plane.

ROOF ASSEMBLY. A system designed to provide weather protection and resistance to design loads. The system consists of a roof covering and roof deck or a single component serving as both the roof covering and the roof deck. A roof assembly includes the roof covering, underlayment, and roof deck, and can also include a thermal barrier, ignition barrier, insulation or a vapour retarder.

ROOF RECOVER. The process of installing an additional roof covering over a prepared existing roof covering without removing the existing roof covering.

ROOF REPAIR. Reconstruction or renewal of any part of an existing roof for the purposes of its maintenance.

ROOF REPLACEMENT. The process of removing the existing roof covering, repairing any damaged substrate and installing a new roof covering.

R-VALUE (THERMAL RESISTANCE). The inverse of the time rate of heat flow through a body from one of its bounding surfaces to the other surface for a unit temperature difference between the two surfaces, under steady state conditions, per unit area [$m^2 \cdot K/W$] ($h \cdot ft^2 \cdot ^\circ F/Btu$)

SERVICE WATER HEATING. Supply of hot water for purposes other than comfort heating.

SOLAR HEAT GAIN COEFFICIENT (SHGC). The ratio of the solar heat gain entering the space through the fenestration assembly to the incident solar radiation. Solar heat gain includes directly transmitted solar heat and absorbed solar radiation that is then reradiated, conducted or convected into the space.

STANDARD REFERENCE DESIGN. A version of the *proposed design* that meets the minimum requirements of this code and is used to determine the maximum annual energy use requirement for compliance based on total building performance.

SUNROOM. A one-story structure attached to a dwelling with a glazing area in excess of 40 percent of the gross area of the structure’s *exterior walls* and roof.

THERMAL ISOLATION. Physical and space conditioning separation from *conditioned spaces*. The *conditioned spaces* shall be controlled as separate *zones* for heating and cooling or conditioned by separate equipment.

THERMOSTAT. An automatic control device used to maintain temperature at a fixed or adjustable set point.

HEAT TRACE SYSTEMS. Are electric heat tracing, heat tape or surface heating, systems used to maintain or raise the temperature of hot water pipes and vessels by the use of heat tracing cables. Trace heating takes the form of an electrical heating element run in physical contact along the length of a pipe.

ENERGY EFFICIENCY

1. **U-FACTOR (THERMAL TRANSMITTANCE).**

The coeffi

cient of heat transmission (air to air) through a building component or assembly, equal to the time rate of heat flow per unit area and unit temperature difference between the warm side and cold side air films [$W/(m^2 \cdot K)$] (Btu/h \cdot ft² \cdot °F).

VENTILATION. The natural or mechanical process of supplying conditioned or unconditioned air to, or removing such air from, any space.

VENTILATION AIR. That portion of supply air that comes from outside (outdoors) plus any recirculated air that has been treated to maintain the desired quality of air within a designated space.

VISIBLE TRANSMITTANCE [VT]. The ratio of visible light entering the space through the fenestration product assembly to the incident visible light, Visible Transmittance, includes the effects of glazing material and frame and is expressed as a number between 0 and 1.

WHOLE HOUSE MECHANICAL VENTILATION SYSTEM. An exhaust system, supply system, or combination thereof that is designed to mechanically exchange indoor air with outdoor air when operating continuously or through a programmed intermittent schedule to satisfy the whole house ventilation rates.

ZONE. A space or group of spaces within a *building* with heating or cooling requirements that are sufficiently similar so that desired conditions can be maintained throughout using a single controlling device.

N1101.7 (R301.1) Climate zones. Climate zones from Table N1101.7 shall be used for determining the applicable climatic requirements in Sections N1101 through N1111. Locations not indicated in Table N1101.7 shall be assigned a climate zone in accordance with Section N1101.7.2.

N1101.7.1 (R301.2) Warm humid counties. All the Climate Zones of Jamaica (covering the entire land mass of Jamaica or all three counties) in which historical weather data supports the definition of Warm Humid/Moist (A) of Table N1101.7.2(1). **N1101.7.2 (R301.3) International climate zones.** The climate zone for any location outside the United States shall be determined by applying Table N1101.7.2(1) and then Table N1101.7.2(2).

N1101.8 (R301.4) Tropical climate zone. The tropical climate zone shall be defined as:

1. The land mass of Jamaica below an elevation of 731.5 m (2,400 feet) above sea level and the surrounding islands within its territorial limit; and
2. The land mass of all islands in the area between the Tropic of Cancer and the Tropic of Capricorn below an elevation of 731.5 m (2,400 feet) above sea level.

TABLE1101.7 (R301.1)
CLIMATE ZONES, MOISTURE REGIMES, AND WARM-HUMID
DESIGNATIONS BY CARIBBEAN COUNTRY AND TERRITORY

Key: A – Moist, B – Dry, C – Marine. Absence of moisture designation indicates moisture regime is irrelevant.
Asterisk (*) indicates a warm-humid location.

COUNTRY	LOCATION	WMO#	CZ	SI				I-P			
				Elev (m)	CDD10	HDD18	Precip (mm)	Elev (ft)	CDD50	HDD65	Precip (in)
Anguilla (AIA) ^a	WALLBLAKE AIRPORT	–	0A	10 ^c	6691	0 ^c	617 ^c	33 ^c	10450 ^c	0 ^c	24 ^c
Antigua and Barbuda (ATG) ^b	V.C. BIRD INTL AIRPORT	788620	0A	10	6249	0	883	33	11248	0	35
Bahamas (BHS) ^b	LYNDEN PINDLING INTL AIRPORT	780730	1A	7	5643	9	1334	23	10157	16	53
	SETTLEMENT POINT	994390	1A	3	5322	19	1281	10	9580	34	50
Barbados (BRB) ^b	GRANTLEY ADAMS INTL AIRPORT	789540	0A	56	6308	0	1155	184	11354	0	45
Belize (BLZ) ^b	BELIZE/PHILLIP GOLDSON INTL AIRPORT	785830	0A	5	6145	0	1944	16	11061	0	77
Bermuda (BMU) ^b	BERMUDA INTL AIRPORT	780160	2A	6	4596	88	1456	20	8273	158	57
British Virgin Islands (VGB) ^a	TERRANCE B. LETTSOME INTL AIRPORT		0A	10 ^c	6453	0 ^c	841 ^c	33 ^c	10445 ^c	0 ^c	33 ^c
Cayman Islands (CYM) ^a	OWEN ROBERTS INTL AIRPORT	–	0A	10 ^c	6620	0 ^c	1037 ^c	33 ^c	10889 ^c	0 ^c	41 ^c
Dominica (DMA) ^a	DOUGLAS-CHARLES AIRPORT	–	0A	10 ^c	6288	0 ^c	878 ^c	33 ^c	10631 ^c	0 ^c	35 ^c
Grenada (GRD) ^b	MAURICE BISHOP INTL AIRPORT	789580	0A	7	6378	0	1197	23	11480	0 ^c	47
Guyana (GUY) ^b	CHEDDI JAGAN INTL AIRPORT	810020	0A	29	6136	0	2234	95	11045	0	88
Haiti (HTI) ^a	PORT-AU-PRINCE AEROPORT INTL		0A	10 ^c	6848	0 ^c	1404 ^c	33 ^c	10278 ^c	0 ^c	55 ^c
Jamaica (JAM) ^b	KINGSTON NORMAN MANLEY INTL AIRPORT	783970	0A	14	6608	0	730	46	11894	0	29
	MONTEGO BAY/SANGSTE INTL AIRPORT	783880	0A	8	6336	0	1184	26	11405	0	47
	HIGHLAND AREAS OF JAMAICA		1A	732 ^d	5346	0 ^c	1500	2401 ^d		0 ^c	59
	HIGHLAND AREAS OF JAMAICA		2A	1525 ^e	4225	59	2,300	5000 ^e			91
Montserrat (MSR) ^a	JOHN A. OSBORNE AIRPORT	–	1A	10 ^c	5946	0 ^c	702 ^c	33 ^c	10615 ^c	0 ^c	28 ^c
Saint Lucia (LCA) ^b	HEWANORRA INTL AIRPORT	789480	0A	10	6429	0	1128	33	11572	0	44
St. Kitts and Nevis (KNA) ^a	ROBERT L. BRADSHAW INTL AIRPORT	–	0A	10 ^c	6388	0 ^c	696 ^c	33 ^c	10516 ^c	0 ^c	27 ^c

**TABLE N1101.7.2(2) [R301.3(2)]
UNSTATED CLIMATE ZONE DEFINITIONS [ASHRAE STANDARD 169 – 2013]**

CLIMATE ZONE	NAME	SI Units	IP Units
0	Tropical ^a	6000 < CDD10 °C	10,800 < CDD50 °F
1	Very Hot	5000 < CDD10 °C ≤ 6000	9000 < CDD50 °F ≤ 10,800
2	Hot	3500 < CDD10 °C ≤ 5000	6300 < CDD50 °F ≤ 9000
3	Warm	CDD10 °C ≤ 3500 AND HDD18 °C ≤ 2000	CDD50 °F ≤ 6300 AND HDD65 °F ≤ 3600

r Inch Pound Units: °F = 1.8°C + 32.

a. ASHRAE Standard 169—2013 uses the term “Extremely hot.”

N1101.9 (R302.1) Interior design conditions. The interior design temperatures used for heating and cooling load calculations shall be a maximum of 22°C (72°F) for heating and minimum of 24°C (75°F) for cooling.

N1101.10 (R303.1) Identification. Materials, systems and equipment shall be identified in a manner that will allow a determination of compliance with the applicable provisions of this code.

N1101.10.1 (R303.1.1) Building thermal envelope insulation. An *R*-value identification mark shall be applied by the manufacturer to each piece of *building thermal envelope* insulation that is 305 mm (12 inches) or greater in width. Alternatively, the insulation installers shall provide a certification that indicates the type, manufacturer and *R*-value of insulation installed in each element of the *building thermal envelope*. For blown-in or sprayed fiberglass and cellulose insulation, the initial installed thickness, settled thickness, settled *R*-value, installed density, coverage area and number of bags installed shall be indicated on the certification. For sprayed polyurethane foam (SPF) insulation, the installed thickness of the areas covered and the *R*-value of the installed thickness shall be indicated on the certification. For insulated siding, the *R*-value shall be on a label on the product’s package and shall be indicated on the certification. The insulation installer shall sign, date and post the certification in a conspicuous location on the job site.

Exception: For roof insulation installed above the deck, the *R*-value shall be labelled as required by the material standards specified in Table R906.2.

N1101.10.1.1 (R303.1.1.1) Blown-in or sprayed roof and ceiling insulation. The thickness of blown-in or sprayed fiberglass and cellulose roof and ceiling insulation shall be written in millimeters (inches) on markers that are installed at not less than one for every 28 m (300 square feet) throughout the attic space. The markers shall be affixed to the trusses or joists and marked with the minimum initial installed thickness with numbers not less than 25 mm (1 inch) in height. Each marker shall face the attic access opening. The thickness and installed *R*-

value of sprayed polyurethane foam insulation shall be indicated on the certification provided by the insulation installer.

N1101.10.2 (R303.1.2) Insulation mark installation. Insulating materials shall be installed such that the manufacturer’s *R*-value mark is readily observable at inspection.

N1101.10.3 (R303.1.3) Fenestration product rating. *U*-factors of fenestration products such as windows, doors and *skylights* shall be determined in accordance with NFRC 100.

Exception: Where required, garage door *U*-factors shall be determined in accordance with either NFRC 100 or ANSI/DASMA 105.

U-factors shall be determined by an accredited, independent laboratory, and labelled and certified by the manufacturer.

Products lacking such a labelled *U*-factor shall be assigned a default *U*-factor from Table N1101.10.3(1) or N1101.10.3(2). The *solar heat gain coefficient* (SHGC) and visible transmittance (VT) of glazed fenestration products such as windows, glazed doors and *skylights* shall be determined in accordance with NFRC 200 by an accredited, independent laboratory, and labelled and certified by the manufacturer. Products lacking such a labelled SHGC or VT shall be assigned a default SHGC or VT from Table N1101.10.3(3).

**TABLE N1101.10.3(1) [R303.1.3(1)]
DEFAULT GLAZED WINDOW,
GLASS DOOR AND SKYLIGHT *U*-FACTORS**

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FRAME TYPE	WINDOW AND GLASS DOOR		SKYLIGHT	
	Single Pane	Double Pane	Single	Double
Metal	6.81 W/m ² • K	4.54 W/m ² • K	11.36 W/m ² • K	7.38 W/m ² • K
	(1.20 Btu/h • ft ² • °F)	(0.80 Btu/h • ft ² • °F)	(2.00 Btu/h • ft ² • °F)	(1.30 Btu/h • ft ² • °F)
Metal with Thermal Break	6.25 W/m ² • K	3.69 W/m ² • K	10.79 W/m ² • K	6.25 W/m ² • K
	(1.10 Btu/h • ft ² • °F)	(0.65 Btu/h • ft ² • °F)	(1.90 Btu/h • ft ² • °F)	(1.10 Btu/h • ft ² • °F)
Nonmetal or Metal Clad	5.39 W/m ² • K	3.12 W/m ² • K	9.94 W/m ² • K	5.96 W/m ² • K
	(0.95 Btu/h • ft ² • °F)	(0.55 Btu/h • ft ² • °F)	(1.75 Btu/h • ft ² • °F)	(1.05 Btu/h • ft ² • °F)
Glazed Block	3.41 W/m ² • K			
	(0.60 Btu/h • ft ² • °F)			

**TABLE N1101.10.3(2) [R303.1.3(2)]
DEFAULT OPAQUE DOOR U-FACTORS**

DOOR TYPE	OPAQUE U-FACTOR
Uninsulated Metal	6.81 W/m ² • K
	(1.20 Btu/h • ft ² • °F)
Insulated Metal	3.41 W/m ² • K
	(0.60 Btu/h • ft ² • °F)
Wood	2.84 W/m ² • K
	(0.50 Btu/h • ft ² • °F)
Insulated, nonmetal edge, not exceeding 45% glazing, any glazing double pane	1.99 W/m ² • K
	(0.35 Btu/h • ft ² • °F)

**TABLE N1101.10.3(3) [R303.1.3(3)]
DEFAULT GLAZED FENESTRATION SHGC AND VT**

	SINGLE GLAZED		DOUBLE GLAZED		GLAZED BLOCK
	Clear	Tinted	Clear	Tinted	
SHGC	0.8	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.6
VT	0.6	0.3	0.6	0.3	0.6

N1101.10.4 (R303.1.4) Insulation product rating. The thermal resistance, *R*-value, of insulation shall be determined in accordance with Part 460 of US-FTC CFR Title 16 in units of W/(m² • °C) [Btu/(h • ft² • °F)] at a mean

temperature of 24°C (75°F).

N1101.10.4.1 (R303.1.4.1) Insulated siding. The thermal resistance, *R*-value, of insulated siding shall be determined in accordance with ASTM C1363. Installation for testing shall be in accordance with the manufacturer’s instructions.

N1101.11 (R303.2) Installation. Materials, systems and equipment shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer’s instructions and this code.

N1101.11.1 (R303.2.1) Protection of exposed foundation insulation. Insulation applied to the exterior of exterior walls, *basement walls*, crawl space walls and the perimeter of slab-on-grade floors shall have a rigid, opaque and weather-resistant protective covering to prevent the degradation of the insulation’s thermal performance. The protective covering shall cover the exposed exterior insulation and extend not less than 150 mm (6 inches) below grade.

N1101.12 (R303.3) Maintenance information. Maintenance instructions shall be furnished for equipment and systems that require preventive maintenance. Required regular maintenance actions shall be clearly stated and incorporated on a readily *accessible* label. The label shall include the title or publication number for the operation and maintenance manual for that particular model and type of product.

N1101.13 (R401.2) Compliance. Projects shall comply with one of the following:

- Sections N1101.14 through N1104.
- Section N1105 and the provisions of Sections N1101.14 through N1104 indicated as “Mandatory.”
- The energy rating index (ERI) approach in Section N1106.
- The Tropical zone requirements in Section N1101.13.1.1.

N1101.13.1 (R401.2.1) Tropical zone climates. Residential buildings in the tropics are subjected to a variety of climate zones based on their elevation above sea level. Weather data for Jamaica shows that all its climate zones are the Humid/Moist (A) type and are as follows:

- Climate Zone 0A at elevations less than 731.5 m (2,400 feet) above sea level.
- Climate Zone 1A at elevations between 731.5 m (2,400 ft) and 1,523 m (5,000 ft) above sea level.
- Climate Zone 2A at elevations 1,523 m (5,000 ft) above sea level.

N1101.13.1.1 Climate Zone 0A requirements for code compliance.

- Unconditioned or partially air-conditioned Residential and small buildings in tropical zone at elevations less than 731.5 m (2,400 ft) above sea level shall be deemed to be in compliance with this chapter provided that the following conditions are met:
 1. The building has no air-conditioning and if it does not more than one-half of the occupied space is air conditioned and the air conditioning units used have an Energy Efficiency Ratio (EER) of at least 10
- The occupied space is not heated.
- 3. Solar, wind or other renewable energy source supplies not less than 80 percent of the energy for service water heating.
- 4. Glazing in the dwelling unit shall have a maximum solar heat gain coefficient (SHGC) as specified in Table N1101.13.1.1 [Table R401.2.1 of the Jamaica Energy Conservation Code (JECC)]. Table N1101.13.1.1 allows a trade off between the SHGC and shading of the glazing provided by an overhang having a specified projection factor. For example glazing with a SHGC of 0.40 may be used if the shading projection factor is no less than 0.5. As the SHGC coefficient is lowered the shading factor may be lowered.
- 5. Permanently installed lighting is in accordance with Section N1104.
- 6. The roof/ceiling complies with one of the following options:

- a. Comply with one of the roof surface options in Table C402.3 of the JECC and install R-2.3 ($\text{m}^2 \cdot \text{K}/\text{W}$ (R-13 $\text{h} \cdot \text{ft}^2/\text{Btu}$) insulation or greater.
- b. Install R-3.3 ($\text{m}^2 \cdot \text{K}/\text{W}$ (R-19 $\text{h} \cdot \text{ft}^2/\text{Btu}$) insulation or greater.

Where attics are present, attics above the insulation shall be vented and attics below the insulation shall be unvented.

7. Roof surfaces shall have a minimum slope of not less than one-fourth unit vertical in 12 units horizontal (2-percent slope). The finished roof shall not have water accumulation areas.
8. Openable fenestration provides a ventilation area of not less than 14 percent of the floor area in each unconditioned room and 4% for rooms built for air conditioning. Alternatively, equivalent or make-up ventilation may be provided by a ventilation fan.
3. Bedrooms with exterior walls facing two different directions have openable fenestration on exterior walls facing two directions.
10. Interior doors to bedrooms are capable of being secured in the ajar position or each door is fitted with an air vent of at least 0.185 m^2 (2 ft^2).

Exception:

Where the bedroom has openable windows in two or more external walls that facilitate cross ventilation over the entire room.

11. A ceiling fan or ceiling fan rough-in is provided for each bedroom and the largest space that is not used as a bedroom.
12. Skylights where provided in dwelling units shall have a maximum *U*-factor as specified in Table N1101.13.1.1 [Table R401.2.1 of the JECC]. Skylights shall be designed to bring in natural daylight without the heat and therefore shall allow only short duration direct sunlight or indirect light from the sun.
13. Jalousie windows shall have an air infiltration rate of no more than $6.1 \text{ L/s} \cdot \text{m}^2$ (1.2 cfm/ft^2).
14. Walls, floors and ceilings separating air-conditioned spaces from non-air-conditioned spaces shall be constructed to limit air leakage in accordance with the requirements in Table R402.4.1.1 of the JECC.

N1101.13.1.2 Tropical zone climate 1A & 2A requirements for code compliance.

To determine the applicable requirements for 1A and 2A tropical zone climates, select the compliance method to be used from the first three compliance paths outlined in Section N1101.13 (R401.2) titled “Compliance”. Having

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selected the compliance path turn to the applicable sections and subsections for the detailed requirements to be satisfied for compliance.

efficiencies of heating, cooling and service water heating equipment. Where a gas-fired unvented room heater,

**TABLE N1101.13.1.1 [R401.2.1]
BUILDING ENVELOPE FENESTRATION MAXIMUM U-FACTOR AND SHGC REQUIREMENTS**

CLIMATE ZONES		0 AND 1A	
Vertical fenestration			
U-factor			
Fixed fenestration	2.84 W/m ² • K (0.50 Btu/h • ft ² • °F)		
Operable fenestration	3.69 W/m ² • K (0.65 Btu/h • ft ² • °F)		
Entrance doors	6.25 W/m ² • K (1.10 Btu/h • ft ² • °F)		
SHGC			
Orientation^a	SEW	N	
PF < 0.2	0.25	0.33	
0.2 ≤ PF ≤ 0.5	0.30	0.37	
0.5 ≤ PF	0.40	0.40	
Skylights			
U-factor	4.26 W/m ² • K (0.75 Btu/h • ft ² • °F)		
SHGC	0.35		

PF = Projection factor.

a. “N” indicates vertical fenestration oriented within 45 degrees of true north. “SEW” indicates orientations other than “N.” For buildings in the southern hemisphere, reverse south and north. Buildings located at less than 23.5 degrees latitude shall use SEW for all orientations.

N1101.14 (R401.3) Certificate (Mandatory). A permanent certificate shall be completed by the builder or other *approved* party and posted on a wall in the space where the furnace or water heater is located or a utility room or another *approved* location inside the *building*.

Where located on an electrical panel, the certificate shall not cover or obstruct the visibility of the circuit directory label, service disconnect label or other required labels. The certificate shall indicate the predominant R-values of insulation installed in or on ceilings, roofs, under-roof, walls, foundation components such as slabs, *basement walls*, crawl space walls and floors, and ducts outside *conditioned spaces*; U-factors of fenestration and the *solar heat gain coefficient* (SHGC) of fenestration, and the results from any required duct system and *building* envelope air leakage testing performed on the *building*. Where there is more than one value for each component, the certificate shall indicate the value covering the largest area. The certificate shall indicate the types and

electric furnace, or baseboard electric heater is installed in the residence, the certificate shall indicate “gas-fired unvented room heater,” “electric furnace” or “baseboard electric heater,” as appropriate. An efficiency shall not be indicated for gas-fired unvented room heaters, electric furnaces and electric baseboard heaters.

SECTION N1102 (R402) BUILDING THERMAL ENVELOPE

N1102.1 (R402.1) General (Prescriptive). The *building thermal envelope* shall comply with the requirements of Sections N1102.1.1 through N1102.1.5.

Exceptions:

The following low-energy *buildings*, or portions thereof, separated from the remainder of the building by *building thermal envelope* assemblies complying with this section shall be exempt from the *building thermal envelope* provisions of Section N1102.

1. Those with a peak design rate of energy usage less than 10.7 W/m^2 ($3.4 \text{ Btu/h} \cdot \text{ft}^2$) or 10.8 W/m^2 (1.0 watt/ft^2) of floor area for space-conditioning purposes.
2. Unconditioned space that does not contain habitable space.
 2. Greenhouses.

N1102.1.1 (R402.1.1) Vapour retarder. Wall assemblies in the *building thermal envelope* shall comply with the vapour retarder requirements of Section R702.7.

N1102.1.2 (R402.1.2) Insulation and fenestration criteria. The *building thermal envelope* shall meet the requirements of Table N1102.1.2 based on the *climate zone* specified in Section N1101.7.

N1102.1.3 (R402.1.3) R-value computation. Insulation material used in layers, such as framing cavity insulation or continuous insulation, shall be summed to compute the corresponding component *R*-value. The manufacturer’s settled *R*-value shall be used for blown-in insulation. Computed *R*-values shall not include an *R*-value for other building materials or air films. Where insulated siding is used for the purpose of complying with the continuous insulation requirements of Table N1102.1.2, the manufacturer’s labelled *R*-value for insulated siding shall be reduced by R-0.6.

N1102.1.4 (R402.1.4) U-factor alternative. An assembly with a *U*-factor equal to or less than that specified in Table N1102.1.4 shall be permitted as an alternative to the *R*-value in Table N1102.1.2.

N1102.1.5 (R402.1.5) Total UA alternative. Where the total *building thermal envelope* UA, the sum of *U*-factor times assembly area, is less than or equal to the Total UA resulting from multiplying the *U*-factors in Table N1102.1.4 by the same assembly area as in the proposed *building*, the *building* shall be considered to be in compliance with Table N1102.1.2. The UA calculation shall be performed using a method consistent with the ASHRAE *Handbook of Fundamentals* and shall include the thermal

bridging effects of framing materials. In addition to UA compliance, SHGC requirements shall be met.

N1102.2 (R402.2) Specific insulation requirements (Prescriptive). In addition to the requirements of Section N1102.1, insulation shall meet the specific requirements of Sections N1102.2.1 through N1102.2.13.

N1102.2.1 (R402.2.1) Ceilings with attic spaces. Where Section R1102.1.2 requires R-6.7 ($\text{m}^2 \cdot \text{K}/\text{W}$ (R-38 $\text{h} \cdot \text{ft}^2 \cdot \text{°F}/\text{Btu}$) insulation in the ceiling, installing R-5.3 ($\text{m}^2 \cdot \text{K}/\text{W}$ (R-30 $\text{h} \cdot \text{ft}^2 \cdot \text{°F}/\text{Btu}$) insulation over 100 percent of the ceiling area requiring insulation shall satisfy the requirement for R-6.7 ($\text{m}^2 \cdot \text{K}/\text{W}$ (R-38 $\text{h} \cdot \text{ft}^2 \cdot \text{°F}/\text{Btu}$) insulation if the full height of uncompressed R-5.3 ($\text{m}^2 \cdot \text{K}/\text{W}$ (R-30 $\text{h} \cdot \text{ft}^2 \cdot \text{°F}/\text{Btu}$) insulation extends over the wall top plate at the eaves. Where Section N1102.1.2 requires R-8.6 ($\text{m}^2 \cdot \text{K}/\text{W}$ (R-49 $\text{h} \cdot \text{ft}^2 \cdot \text{°F}/\text{Btu}$) insulation in the ceiling, installing R-6.7 ($\text{m}^2 \cdot \text{K}/\text{W}$ (R-38 $\text{h} \cdot \text{ft}^2 \cdot \text{°F}/\text{Btu}$) insulation over 100 percent of the ceiling area requiring insulation shall satisfy the requirement for R-8.6 ($\text{m}^2 \cdot \text{K}/\text{W}$ (R-49 $\text{h} \cdot \text{ft}^2 \cdot \text{°F}/\text{Btu}$) insulation if the full height of uncompressed R-6.7 ($\text{m}^2 \cdot \text{K}/\text{W}$ (R-38 $\text{h} \cdot \text{ft}^2 \cdot \text{°F}/\text{Btu}$) insulation extends over the wall top plate at the eaves. This reduction shall not apply to the *U*-factor alternative approach in Section N1102.1.4 and the Total UA alternative in Section N1102.1.5.

N1102.2.2 (R402.2.2) Ceilings without attic spaces. Where Section N1102.1.2 requires insulation *R*-values greater than R-5.3 ($\text{m}^2 \cdot \text{K}/\text{W}$ (R-30 $\text{h} \cdot \text{ft}^2 \cdot \text{°F}/\text{Btu}$) in the ceiling and the design of the roof/ceiling assembly does not allow sufficient space for the required insulation, the minimum required insulation *R*-value for such roof/ceiling assemblies shall be R-5.3 ($\text{m}^2 \cdot \text{K}/\text{W}$ (R-30 $\text{h} \cdot \text{ft}^2 \cdot \text{°F}/\text{Btu}$). Insulation shall extend over the top of the wall plate to the outer edge of such plate and shall not be compressed. This reduction of insulation from the requirements of Section N1102.1.2 shall be limited to 46 m^2 (500 square feet) or 20 percent of the total insulated ceiling area, whichever is less. This reduction shall not apply to the *U*-factor alternative approach in Section N1102.1.4 and the Total UA alternative in Section N1102.1.5.

N1102.2.3 (R402.2.3) Eave baffle. For air-permeable insulations in vented attics, a baffle shall be installed adjacent to soffit and eave vents. Baffles shall maintain an opening equal or greater than the size of the vent. The baffle shall extend over the top of the attic insulation. The baffle shall be permitted to be any solid material.

N1102.2.4 (R402.2.4) Access hatches and doors. Access doors from *conditioned spaces* to *unconditioned spaces* such as attics and crawl spaces shall be weatherstripped and insulated to a level equivalent to the insulation on the surrounding surfaces. Access that prevents damaging or compressing the insulation shall be provided to all equipment. Where loose-fill insulation is installed, a wood-framed or equivalent baffle or retainer shall be installed to prevent the loose-fill insulation from spilling into the living space when the attic access is opened. The baffle or retainer shall provide a permanent means of maintaining the installed *R*-value of the loose-fill

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insulation.

Exception: Vertical doors providing access from *conditioned spaces* to *unconditioned spaces* that comply with the fenestration requirements of Table N1102.1.2 based on the applicable *climate zone* specified in Section N1101.7.

**TABLE N1102.1.2 (R402.1.2)
INSULATION AND FENESTRATION REQUIREMENTS BY COMPONENT^a**

Opaque Elements	Assembly Maximum U-Factor	Insulation Minimum R-Value	
Ceiling	U-0.184 W/m ² • K (U-0.032 Btu/h • ft ² • °F)	R-5.3 c.i. m ² • K/W (R-30 c.i. h • ft ² • °F/Btu)	
Walls, above Grade			
Mass	U-0.857 W/m ² • K (U-0.151 Btu/h • ft ² • °F)	R-1.0 m ² • K/W (R-5.7 c.i. h • ft ² • °F/Btu)	
Wall, below Grade			
Below-grade wall	U-6.473 W/m ² • K (U-1.140 Btu/h • ft ² • °F)	NR	
Floors			
Mass	U-1.825 W/m ² • K (U-0.322 Btu/h • ft ² • °F)	NR	
Wood-framed and other	U-1.599 W/m ² • K (U-0.282 Btu/h • ft ² • °F)	NR	
Crawl Space	U-1.264 W/m ² • K (U-0.730 Btu/h • ft ² • °F)	NR	
Slab-on-Grade Floors	U-1.599 W/m ² • K (U-0.282 Btu/h • ft ² • °F)	NR	
Fenestration	Assembly Maximum U-Factor	Assembly Maximum SHGC	Assembly Minimum VT/SHGC
Fenestration	U-1.84 W/m ² • K (Btu/h • ft ² • °F)		
Glazed Fenestration	U-2.84 W/m ² • K (Btu/h • ft ² • °F)	0.25	1.10
Skylights	U-4.26 W/m ² • K (Btu/h • ft ² • °F)	0.35	NR

NR = No Requirement.

**TABLE N1102.1.4 (R402.1.4)
EQUIVALENT U-FACTORS^a**

CLIMATE ZONE	FENESTRATION U-FACTOR	SKYLIGHT U-FACTOR	CEILING U-FACTOR	FRAME WALL U-FACTOR	MASS WALL U-FACTOR ^b	FLOOR U-FACTOR	BASEMENT WALL U-FACTOR	CRAWL SPACE WALL U-FACTOR
0	0.50	0.75	0.035	0.084	0.197	0.064	0.360	0.477
1	0.50	0.75	0.035	0.084	0.197	0.064	0.360	0.477
2	0.40	0.65	0.030	0.084	0.165	0.064	0.360	0.477
3	0.32	0.55	0.030	0.060	0.098	0.047	0.091 ^c	0.136
4 except Marine	0.32	0.55	0.026	0.060	0.098	0.047	0.059	0.065
5 and Marine 4	0.30	0.55	0.026	0.060	0.082	0.033	0.050	0.055
6	0.30	0.55	0.026	0.045	0.060	0.033	0.050	0.055

1. Nonfenestration U-factors shall be obtained from measurement, calculation or an approved source.
2. Mass walls shall be in accordance with Section N1102.2.5. Where more than half the insulation is on the interior, the mass wall U-factors shall not exceed 0.17 in Climate Zone 0 and 1, 0.14 in Climate Zone 2, 0.12 in Climate Zone 3, 0.087 in Climate Zone 4 except Marine, 0.065 in Climate Zone 5 and Marine 4, and 0.057 in Climate Zones 6 through 8.
3. In warm-humid locations as defined by Figure N1101.7 and Table N1101.7, the basement wall U-factor shall not exceed 0.360.

N1102.2.5 (R402.2.5) Mass walls. Mass walls where used as a component of the building thermal envelope shall be one of the following:

1. Above-ground walls of concrete block, concrete, insulated concrete form, masonry cavity, brick but not brick veneer, adobe, compressed earth block, rammed earth, solid

timber or solid logs.

2. Any wall having a heat capacity greater than or equal to 123 kJ/m² • K (6 Btu/ft² • °F).

N1102.2.6 (R402.2.6) Steel-frame ceilings, walls, and floors. Steel-frame ceilings, walls, and floors shall comply with the insulation requirements of Table N1102.2.6 or the *U*-factor requirements of Table N1102.1.4. The calculation of the *U*-factor for a steel-frame envelope assembly shall use a series-parallel path calculation method.

N1102.2.7 (R402.2.7) Walls with partial structural sheathing. Where Section N1102.1.2 requires continuous insulation on *exterior walls* and structural sheathing covers 40 percent or less of the gross area of all *exterior*

TABLE N1102.2.6 (R402.2.6)
STEEL-FRAME CEILING, WALL AND FLOOR INSULATION
R-VALUES

WOOD FRAME R-VALUE REQUIREMENT		COLD-FORMED STEEL EQUIVALENT R-VALUE ^a	
(m ² • K)/W	(h • ft ² • °F/Btu)	(m ² • K)/W	(h • ft ² • °F/Btu)
Steel Truss Ceilings^b			
R-5.3	R-30	R-6.7 or R-5.3 + 0.5 or R-4.6 + 0.9	R-38 or R-30 + 3 or R-26 + 5
R-6.7	R-38	R-8.6 or R-6.7 + 0.5	R-49 or R-38 + 3
R-8.6	R-49	R-6.7 + 0.9	R-38 + 5
Steel Joist Ceilings^b			
R-5.3	R-30	R-6.7 in 51 × 102 or 51 × 152 or 51 × 203 R-8.6	R-38 in 2 × 4 or 2 × 6 or 2 × 8 R-49
		in any framing	in any framing
R-6.7	R-38	R-8.6 in 51 × 102 or 51 × 152 or 51 × 203 or 51 × 254	R-49 in 2 × 4 or 2 × 6 or 2 × 8 or 2 × 10
Steel-Framed Wall^c, 406 mm (16") on center			
R-2.3	R-13	R-2.3 + 0.7 or R-3.3 + 0.4 or R-3.7 + 0.5 or R-0 + 1.6 or R-2.6 + 0.7 or R-3.7 + 0.5	R-13 + 4.2 or R-19 + 2.1 or R-21 + 2.8 or R-0 + 9.3 or R-15 + 3.8 or R-21 + 3.1
R-2.3 + 0.5	R-13 + 3	R-0 + 2.0 or R-2.3 + 1.1 or R-2.6 + 1.0 or R-3.3 + 0.9 or R-3.7 + 0.8	R-0 + 11.2 or R-13 + 6.1 or R-15 + 5.7 or R-19 + 5.0 or R-21 + 4.7
R-3.5	R-20	R-0 + 2.5 or R-2.3 + 1.6 or R-2.6 + 1.5 or R-3.3 + 1.4 or R-3.7 + 1.1 or R-3.7 + 1.3	R-0 + 14.0 or R-13 + 8.9 or R-15 + 8.5 or R-19 + 7.8 or R-19 + 6.2 or R-21 + 7.5
R-3.5 + 0.9	R-20 + 5	R-2.3 + 2.2 or R-2.6 + 2.2 or R-3.3 + 2.0 or R-3.7 + 2.0 or R-4.4 + 1.9	R-13 + 12.7 or R-15 + 12.3 or R-19 + 11.6 or R-21 + 11.3 or R-25 + 10.9
R-3.7	R-21	R-0 + 2.6 or R-2.3 + 1.7 or R-2.6 + 1.6 or R-3.3 + 1.5 or R-3.7 + 1.4 or R-4.4 + 1.4	R-0 + 14.6 or R-13 + 9.5 or R-15 + 9.1 or R-19 + 8.4 or R-21 + 8.1 or R-25 + 7.7
Steel Framed Wall^c, 601 mm (24") on center			
R-2.3	R-13	R-0 + 1.6 or R-2.3 + 0.5 or R-2.6 + 0.4	R-0 + 9.3 or R-13 + 3.0 or R-15 + 2.4
R-2.3 + 0.5	R-13 + 3	R-0 + 2.0 or R-2.3 + 0.9 or R-2.6 + 0.8 or R-3.3 + 0.6 or R-3.7 + 0.5	R-0 + 11.2 or R-13 + 4.9 or R-15 + 4.3 or R-19 + 3.5 or R-21 + 3.1
R-3.5	R-20	R-0 + 2.5 or R-2.3 + 1.4 or R-2.6 + 1.3 or R-3.3 + 1.1 or R-3.7 + 1.1	R-0 + 14.0 or R-13 + 7.7 or R-15 + 7.1 or R-19 + 6.3 or R-21 + 5.9
R-3.5 + 0.9	R-20 + 5	R-2.3 + 2.0 or R-2.6 + 1.9 or R-3.3 + 1.8 or R-3.7 + 1.7 or R-4.4 + 1.6	R-13 + 11.5 or R-15 + 10.9 or R-19 + 10.1 or R-21 + 9.7 or R-25 + 9.1
R-3.7	R-21	R-0 + 2.6 or R-2.3 + 2.6 or R-2.6 + 1.4 or R-3.3 + 1.2 or R-3.7 + 1.1 or R-4.4 + 1.0	R-0 + 14.6 or R-13 + 8.3 or R-15 + 7.7 or R-19 + 6.9 or R-21 + 6.5 or R-25 + 5.9
Steel Joist Floor			
R-2.3	R-13	R-3.3 in 51 × 152, or R-3.3 + 1 in 51 × 203 or 51 × 254	R-19 in 2 × 6, or R-19 + 6 in 2 × 8 or 2 × 10
R-3.3	R-19	R-3.3 + 1.1 in 51 × 152, or R-3.3 + 2.1 in 51 × 203 or 51 × 254	R-19 + 6 in 2 × 6, or R-19 + 12 in 2 × 8 or 2 × 10

^a s cavity insulation R-value, the second value is continuous insulation R-value. Therefore, for example, "R-30+3" means R-

5.3 (m² • K)/W (R-30 h • ft² • °F/Btu cavity insulation plus R-0.5 (m² • K)/W (R-3 h • ft² • °F/Btu) continuous insulation.

2. Insulation exceeding the height of the framing shall cover the framing.
3. External wall assemblies using cold-formed steel framing are not permitted in Jamaica only internal non-load-bearing partition walls.

walls, the required continuous insulation R -value shall be permitted to be reduced by an amount necessary, but not more than $R-0.5$ ($\text{m}^2 \cdot \text{K}/\text{W}$ ($R-3 \text{ h} \cdot \text{ft}^2 \cdot ^\circ\text{F}/\text{Btu}$), to result in a consistent total sheathing thickness on areas of the walls covered by structural sheathing. This reduction shall not apply to the U -factor alternative in Section N1102.1.4 and the Total UA alternative in Section N1102.1.5.

N1102.2.8 (R402.2.8) Floors. Floor framing-cavity insulation shall be installed to maintain permanent contact with the underside of the subfloor decking.

Exception: As an alternative, the floor framing-cavity insulation shall be in contact with the topside of sheathing or continuous insulation installed on the bottom side

of floor framing where combined with insulation that meets or exceeds the minimum wood frame wall R -value in Table N1102.1.2 and that extends from the bottom to the top of all perimeter floor framing members.

N1102.2.9 (R402.2.9) Basement walls. Walls associated with conditioned basements shall be insulated from the top of the *basement wall* down to 3,050 mm (10 feet) below grade or to the basement floor, whichever is less. Walls associated with unconditioned basements shall comply with this requirement except where the floor overhead is insulated in accordance with Sections N1102.1.2 and N1102.2.8.

N1102.2.10 (R402.2.10) Slab-on-grade floors. Slab-on-grade floors with a floor surface less than 305 mm (12 inches) below grade shall be insulated in accordance with Table N1102.1.2. The insulation shall extend downward from the top of the slab on the outside or inside of the foundation wall. Insulation located below grade shall be extended the distance provided in Table N1102.1.2 by any combination of vertical insulation, insulation extending under the slab or insulation extending out from the *building*. Insulation extending away from the *building* shall be protected by pavement or by not less than 255 mm (10 inches) of soil. The top edge of the insulation installed between the *exterior wall* and the edge of the interior slab shall be permitted to be cut at a 45-degree (0.79 rad) angle away from the *exterior wall*. Slab-edge insulation is not required in areas designated by the *building official* as having a very heavy termite infestation.

N1102.2.11 (R402.2.11) Crawl space walls. As an alternative to insulating floors over crawl spaces, crawl space walls shall be insulated provided that the crawl space is not vented to the outdoors. Crawl space wall insulation shall be permanently fastened to the wall and shall extend downward from the floor to the finished grade elevation and then vertically or horizontally for not less than an additional 610 mm (24 inches). Exposed earth in unvented crawl space foundations shall be covered with a continuous Class I vapour retarder in accordance with this code. Joints of the vapour retarder shall overlap by 150 mm (6 inches) and be sealed or taped. The edges of the vapour retarder shall extend not less than 150 mm (6 inches) up the stem walls and shall be attached to the stem walls.

N1102.2.12 (R402.2.12) Masonry veneer. Insulation shall not be required on the horizontal portion of a foundation that supports a masonry veneer.

N1102.2.13 (R402.2.13) Sunroom insulation. *Sunrooms* enclosing *conditioned space* shall meet the insulation requirements of this code.

Exception: For *sunrooms* with *thermal isolation*, and enclosing *conditioned space*, the following exceptions to the insulation *requirements* of this code shall apply:

1. The minimum ceiling insulation R -values shall be $R-3.3$ ($\text{m}^2 \cdot \text{K}/\text{W}$ ($R-19 \text{ h} \cdot \text{ft}^2 \cdot ^\circ\text{F}/\text{Btu}$) in *Climate Zones* 0 through 4 and $R-4.2$

$(\text{m}^2 \cdot \text{K})/\text{W}$ (R-24 h \cdot ft² \cdot °F/Btu) in *Climate Zones* 5 through 8.

2. The minimum wall insulation *R*-value shall be R-2.3

oom with a *thermal isolation* from conditioned space shall comply with the *building thermal envelope* requirements of this code.

N1102.3 (R402.3) Fenestration (Prescriptive). In addition to the requirements of Section N1102, fenestration shall comply with Sections N1102.3.1 through N1102.3.5.

N1102.3.1 (R402.3.1) *U*-factor. An area-weighted average of fenestration products shall be permitted to satisfy the *U*-factor requirements.

N1102.3.2 (R402.3.2) Glazed fenestration SHGC. An area-weighted average of fenestration products more than 50-percent glazed shall be permitted to satisfy the SHGC requirements.

Dynamic glazing shall be permitted to satisfy the SHGC requirements of Table N1102.1.2 provided that the ratio of the higher to lower labelled SHGC is greater than or equal to 2.4, and the dynamic glazing is automatically controlled to modulate the amount of solar gain into the space in multiple steps. Dynamic glazing shall be considered separately from other fenestration, and area-weighted averaging with other fenestration that is not dynamic glazing shall be prohibited.

Exception: Dynamic glazing shall not be required to comply with this section where both the lower and higher labelled SHGC comply with the requirements of Table N1102.1.2.

N1102.3.3 (R402.3.3) Glazed fenestration exemption. Not greater than 1.4 m² (15 square feet) of glazed fenestration per dwelling unit shall be exempt from the *U*-factor and SHGC requirements in Section N1102.1.2. This exemption shall not apply to the *U*-factor alternative in Section N1102.1.4 and the Total UA alternative in Section N1102.1.5.

N1102.3.4 (R402.3.4) Opaque door exemption. One side-hinged opaque door assembly not greater than 2.22 m² (24 square feet) in area shall be exempt from the *U*-factor requirement in Section N1102.1.2. This exemption shall not apply to the *U*-factor alternative in Section N1102.1.4 and the Total UA alternative in Section N1102.1.5.

N1102.3.5 (R402.3.5) Sunroom fenestration. *Sunrooms* enclosing *conditioned space* shall comply with the fenestration requirements of this code.

New fenestration separating the *sunroom* with *thermal isolation* from conditioned space shall comply with the *building thermal envelope* requirements of this code.

Exception: In *Climate Zones* 2 through 8, for *sunrooms* with *thermal isolation* and enclosing *conditioned space*, the fenestration *U*-factor shall not exceed 0.45 and the *skylight U*-factor shall not exceed 0.70.

N1102.4 (R402.4) Air leakage (Mandatory). The *building thermal envelope* shall be constructed to limit air leakage in accordance with the requirements of Sections N1102.4.1

$(\text{m}^2 \cdot \text{K})/\text{W}$ (R- 13 h \cdot ft² \cdot °F/Btu) in all *climate zones*. Walls separating a *sun-*

through N1102.4.5.

N1102.4.1 (R402.4.1) Building thermal envelope. The *building thermal envelope* shall comply with Sections N1102.4.1.1 and N1102.4.1.2. The sealing methods

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between dissimilar materials shall allow for differential expansion and contraction.

N1102.4.1.1 (R402.4.1.1) Installation. The components of the *building thermal envelope* as indicated in Table N1102.4.1.1 shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions and the criteria indicated in Table N1102.4.1.1, as applicable to the method of construction. Where required by the *building official*, an *approved* third party shall inspect all components and verify compliance.

N1102.4.1.2 (R402.4.1.2) Testing. The *building* or dwelling unit shall be tested and verified as having an air leakage rate of not exceeding five air changes per hour in *Climate Zones* 0,1 and 2, and three air changes per hour in *Climate Zones* 3 through 8. Testing shall be conducted in accordance with RESNET/ICC 380, ASTM E779 or ASTM E1827 at a pressure of 50 Pa (0.2 inch w.g.) and the result reported to the *building official*. Where required by the *building official*, testing shall be conducted by an *approved* third party. A written report of the results of the test shall be signed by the party conducting the test and provided to the *building official*. Testing shall be performed at any time after creation of all penetrations of the *building thermal envelope*.

During testing:

1. Exterior windows and doors, fireplace and stove doors shall be closed, but not sealed, beyond the intended weatherstripping or other infiltration control measures.
2. Dampers including exhaust, intake, makeup air, backdraft and flue dampers shall be closed, but not sealed beyond intended infiltration control measures.
3. Interior doors, where installed at the time of the test, shall be open.
4. Exterior or interior terminations for continuous ventilation systems shall be sealed.
5. Heating and cooling systems, where installed at the time of the test, shall be turned off.
6. Supply and return registers, where installed at the time of the test, shall be fully open.

N1102.4.2 (R402.4.2) Fireplaces. New wood-burning fireplaces shall have tight-fitting flue dampers or doors, and outdoor combustion air. Where using tight-fitting doors on factory-built fireplaces *listed* and *labelled* in accordance with UL 127, the doors shall be tested and *listed* for the fireplace.

N1102.4.3 (R402.4.3) Fenestration air leakage. Windows, *skylights* and sliding glass doors shall have an air infiltration rate of not greater than 1.5 L/s/m² (0.3 cfm per square foot), and for swinging doors not greater than 2.6 L/s/m² (0.5 cfm per square

foot), when tested in accordance with NFRC 400 or AAMA/WDMA/CSA 101/I.S.2/A440

by an accredited, independent laboratory and *listed* and labelled by the manufacturer.

Exception: Site-built windows, *skylights* and doors.

**TABLE N1102.4.1.1 (R402.4.1.1)
AIR BARRIER AND INSULATION INSTALLATION^a**

COMPONENT	AIR BARRIER CRITERIA	INSULATION INSTALLATION CRITERIA
General requirements	A continuous air barrier shall be installed in the building envelope. The exterior thermal envelope contains a continuous air barrier. Breaks or joints in the air barrier shall be sealed.	Air-permeable insulation shall not be used as a sealing material.
Ceiling/attic	The air barrier in any dropped ceiling or soffit shall be aligned with the insulation and any gaps in the air barrier sealed. Access openings, drop down stairs or knee wall doors to unconditioned attic spaces shall be sealed.	The insulation in any dropped ceiling/soffit shall be aligned with the air barrier.
Walls	The junction of the foundation and sill plate shall be sealed. The junction of the top plate and the top of exterior walls shall be sealed. Knee walls shall be sealed.	Cavities within corners and headers of frame walls shall be insulated by completely filling the cavity with a material having a thermal resistance of not less than $R-0.5 (m^2 \cdot K)/W$ $R-3$ per $h \cdot ft^2 \cdot ^\circ F/Btu$ 25 mm (inch). Exterior thermal envelope insulation for framed walls shall be installed in substantial contact and in continuous alignment with the air barrier.
Windows, skylights and doors	The space between framing and skylights, and the jambs of windows and doors, shall be sealed.	—
Rim joists	Rim joists shall include the air barrier.	Rim joists shall be insulated.
Floors including cantilevered floors and floors above garages.	The air barrier shall be installed at any exposed edge of insulation.	Floor framing cavity insulation shall be installed to maintain permanent contact with the underside of subfloor decking. Alternatively, floor framing cavity insulation shall be in contact with the top side of sheathing or continuous insulation installed on the underside of floor framing; and extending from the bottom to the top of all perimeter floor framing members.
Crawl space walls	Exposed earth in unvented crawl spaces shall be covered with a Class I vapour retarder with overlapping joints taped.	Crawl space insulation, where provided instead of floor insulation, shall be permanently attached to the walls.
Shafts, penetrations	Duct shafts, utility penetrations, and flue shafts opening to exterior or unconditioned space shall be sealed.	—
Narrow cavities	—	Batts to be installed in narrow cavities shall be cut to fit or narrow cavities shall be filled with insulation that on installation readily conforms to the available cavity space.
Garage separation	Air sealing shall be provided between the garage and conditioned spaces.	—
Recessed lighting	Recessed light fixtures installed in the building thermal envelope shall be sealed to the finished surface.	Recessed light fixtures installed in the building thermal envelope shall be airtight and IC rated.
Plumbing and wiring	—	In exterior walls, batt insulation shall be cut neatly to fit around wiring and plumbing or insulation that on installation, readily conforms to available space, shall extend behind piping and wiring.
Shower/tub on exterior wall	The air barrier installed at exterior walls adjacent to showers and tubs shall separate the wall from the shower or tub.	Exterior walls adjacent to showers and tubs shall be insulated.
Electrical/phone box on exterior walls	The air barrier shall be installed behind electrical and communication boxes. Alternatively, air-sealed boxes shall be installed.	—
HVAC register boots	HVAC supply and return register boots that penetrate building thermal envelope shall be sealed to the subfloor, wall covering or ceiling penetrated by the boot.	—
Concealed sprinklers	When required to be sealed, concealed fire sprinklers shall only be sealed in a manner that is recommended by the manufacturer. Caulking or other adhesive sealants shall not be used to fill voids between fire sprinkler cover plates and walls or ceilings.	—

1. In addition inspection of log walls shall be in accordance with the provisions of ICC 400.

1102.4.4 (R402.4.4) Rooms containing fuel-burning appliances. In *Climate Zones 3 and 4*, where open combustion air ducts provide combustion air to open combustion fuel-burning appliances, the appliances and combustion air opening shall be located outside the

building thermal envelope or enclosed in a room that is isolated from inside the thermal envelope. Such rooms shall be sealed and insulated in accordance with the envelope requirements of Table N1102.1.2, where the walls, floors and ceilings shall meet a minimum of the *basement wall R-value* requirement. The door into the room shall be fully gasketed

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and any water lines and ducts in the room insulated in accordance with Section N1103. The combustion air duct shall be insulated where it passes through *conditioned space* to an *R*-value of not less than $R-1.4 (m^2 \cdot K)/W (R-8 h \cdot ft^2 \cdot ^\circ F/Btu)$.

Exceptions:

1. Direct vent appliances with both intake and exhaust pipes installed continuous to the outside.
2. Fireplaces and stoves complying with Sections N1102.4.2 and R1006.

N1102.4.5 (R402.4.5) Recessed lighting. Recessed luminaires installed in the *building thermal envelope* shall be sealed to limit air leakage between conditioned and *unconditioned spaces*. Recessed luminaires shall be IC-rated and labeled as having an air leakage rate of not greater than 0.944 L/s (2.0 cfm) when tested in accordance with ASTM E283 at a pressure differential of 75 Pa (1.57 psf). Recessed luminaires shall be sealed with a gasket or caulked between the housing and the interior wall or ceiling covering.

N1102.5 (R402.5) Maximum fenestration *U*-factor and SHGC (Mandatory). The area-weighted average maximum fenestration *U*-factor permitted using tradeoffs from Section N1102.1.5 or N1105 shall be 0.48 in *Climate Zones* 4 and 5 and 0.40 in *Climate Zones* 6 through 8 for vertical fenestration, and 0.75 in *Climate Zones* 4 through 8 for skylights. The area-weighted average maximum fenestration SHGC permitted using tradeoffs from Section N1105 in *Climate Zones* 1 through 3 shall be 0.50.

SECTION N1103 (R403) SYSTEMS

N1103.1 (R403.1) Controls (Mandatory). Not less than one thermostat shall be provided for each separate heating and cooling system.

N1103.1.1 (R403.1.1) Programmable thermostat. The thermostat controlling the primary heating or cooling system of the dwelling unit shall be capable of controlling the heating and cooling system on a daily schedule to maintain different temperature set points at different times of the day. This thermostat shall include the capability to set back or temporarily operate the system to maintain *zone* temperatures down to 13°C (55°F) or up to 29°C (85°F). The thermostat shall initially be programmed by the manufacturer with a heating temperature setpoint no higher than

21°C (70°F) and a cooling temperature setpoint less than 26°C (78°F).

N1103.1.2 (R403.1.2) Heat pump supplementary heat (Mandatory). Heat pumps having supplementary electric-resistance heat shall have controls that, except during defrost, prevent supplemental heat operation when the heat pump compressor can meet the heating load.

N1103.2 (R403.2) Hot water boiler outdoor temperature setback. Hot water boilers that supply heat to the *building* through one- or two-pipe heating systems shall have an outdoor setback control that decreases the boiler water temperature based on the outdoor temperature.

N1103.3 (R403.3) Ducts. Ducts and air handlers shall be installed in accordance with Sections N1103.3.1 through N1103.3.8.

N1103.3.1 (R403.3.1) Insulation (Prescriptive). Supply and return ducts in attics shall be insulated to an *R*-value of not less than $R-1.4 (m^2 \cdot K)/W (R-8 h \cdot ft^2 \cdot ^\circ F/Btu)$ for ducts 76 mm (3 inches) in diameter and larger and not less than $R-1.1 (m^2 \cdot K)/W (R-6 h \cdot ft^2 \cdot ^\circ F/Btu)$ for ducts smaller than 76 mm (3 inches) in diameter. Supply and return ducts in other portions of the *building* shall be insulated to not less than $R-1.1 (m^2 \cdot K)/W (R-6 h \cdot ft^2 \cdot ^\circ F/Btu)$ for ducts 76 mm (3 inches) in diameter and to not less than $R-0.7 (m^2 \cdot K)/W (R-4.2 h \cdot ft^2 \cdot ^\circ F/Btu)$ for ducts smaller than 76 mm (3 inches) in diameter.

Exception: Ducts or portions thereof located completely inside the *building thermal envelope*.

N1103.3.2 (R403.3.2) Sealing (Mandatory). Ducts, air handlers and filter boxes shall be sealed. Joints and seams shall comply with Section M1601.4.1.

N1103.3.2.1 (R403.3.2.1) Sealed air handler. Air handlers shall have a manufacturer's designation for an air leakage of not greater than 2 percent of the design airflow rate when tested in accordance with ASHRAE 193.

N1103.3.3 (R403.3.3) Duct testing (Mandatory). Ducts shall be pressure tested to determine air leakage by one of the following methods:

1. Rough-in test: Total leakage shall be measured with a pressure differential of 25 Pa (0.1 inch w.g.) across the system, including the manufacturer's air handler enclosure if installed at the time of the test. Registers shall be taped or otherwise sealed during the test.
2. Postconstruction test: Total leakage shall be measured with a pressure differential of 25 Pa (0.1 inch w.g.) across the entire system, including the manufacturer's air handler enclosure. Registers shall be taped or otherwise sealed during the test.

Exceptions:

1. A duct air-leakage test shall not be required where the ducts and air handlers are located entirely within the *building thermal envelope*.
2. A duct air-leakage test shall not be required for ducts serving heat or energy recovery ventilators that are not integrated with ducts serving heating or cooling systems.

A written report of the results of the test shall be signed by the party conducting the test and provided to the *building official*.

N1103.3.4 (R403.3.4) Duct leakage (Prescriptive). The total leakage of the ducts, where measured in accordance with Section R403.3.3, shall be as follows:

1. Rough-in test: The total leakage shall be less than or equal to 113.3 L/min per 9.29 m² (4 cubic feet per minute per 100 square feet) of conditioned floor area where the air handler is installed at the time of the test. Where the air handler is not installed at the time of the test, the total leakage shall be less than or equal to 85 L/min per 9.29 m² (3 cubic feet per minute per 100 square feet) of conditioned floor area.
2. Postconstruction test: Total leakage shall be less than or equal to 113.3 L/min per 9.29 m² (4 cubic feet per minute per 100 square feet) of conditioned floor area.

N1103.3.5 (R403.3.5) Building cavities (Mandatory). *Building* framing cavities shall not be used as ducts or plenums.

N1103.3.6 (R403.3.6) Ducts buried within ceiling insulation. Where supply and return air ducts are partially or completely buried in ceiling insulation, such ducts shall comply with all of the following:

1. The supply and return duct shall have an insulation *R*-value not less than R-1.4 (m² • K)/W (R-8 h • ft² • °F/Btu).
2. At all points along the duct, the sum of the ceiling insulation *R*-values above the top and bottom of the duct shall be not less than R-3.2 (m² • K)/W R-18 (h • ft² • °F/Btu), excluding the *R*-value of the duct insulation.
3. In *Climate Zones* 0A, 1A, 2A and 3A, where the supply ducts are completely covered with ceiling insulation, the supply ducts shall be insulated to an *R*-value of not less than R-3.2 (m² • K)/W R-18 (h • ft² • °F/Btu) and the ducts shall be in accordance with the vapour retarder requirements of Section M1601.4.6. or applicable standards approved by the BSJ.

Exception: Sections of the supply duct less than 915 mm (3 feet) from the supply outlet..

N1103.3.6.1 (R403.3.6.1) Effective *R*-value of deeply buried ducts. Where using a simulated energy performance analysis, sections of ducts that are installed in accordance with Section N1103.3.6, located directly on, or within 140 mm (5.5 inches) of the ceiling, surrounded with blown-in attic insulation having an *R*-value of R-5.3 (m² • K)/W (R-30 h • ft² • °F/Btu) or greater and located such that the top of the duct is not less than 89 mm (3.5 inches) below the top of the insulation, shall be considered as having an effective

duct insulation *R*-value of R-4.4 (m² • K)/W (R-25 h • ft² • °F/Btu).

N1103.3.7 (R403.3.7) Ducts located in conditioned space. For ducts to be considered as inside a *conditioned space*, such ducts shall comply with either of the following:

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1. The duct system shall be located completely within the *continuous air barrier* and within the *building thermal envelope*.
2. The ducts shall be buried within ceiling insulation in accordance with Section N1103.3.6 and all of the following conditions exist:
 1. The air handler is located completely within the *continuous air barrier* and within the *building thermal envelope*.
 2. The duct leakage, as measured either by a rough-in test of the ducts or a post-construction total system leakage test to outside the *building thermal envelope* in accordance with Section N1103.3.4, is less than or equal to 42.5 L/min per 9.29 m² (1.5 cubic feet per minute per 100 square feet) of conditioned floor area served by the duct system.
 3. The ceiling insulation *R*-value installed against and above the insulated duct is greater than or equal to the proposed ceiling insulation *R*-value, less the *R*-value of the insulation on the duct.

N1103.4 (R403.4) Mechanical system piping insulation (Mandatory). Mechanical system piping capable of carrying fluids above 41°C (105°F) or below 13°C (55°F) shall be insulated to an *R*-value of not less than $R-0.5 \text{ (m}^2 \cdot \text{K)/W}$ ($R-3 \text{ h} \cdot \text{ft}^2 \cdot \text{°F/Btu}$).

N1103.4.1 (R403.4.1) Protection of piping insulation. Piping insulation exposed to weather shall be protected from damage, including that caused by sunlight, moisture, equipment maintenance and wind. The protection shall provide shielding from solar radiation that can cause degradation of the material. Adhesive tape used as weather shield shall be prohibited.

N1103.5 (R403.5) Service hot water systems. Energy conservation measures for service hot water systems shall be in accordance with Sections N1103.5.1 through N1103.5.4.

N1103.5.1 (R403.5.1) Heated water circulation and temperature maintenance systems (Mandatory). Heated water circulation systems shall be in accordance with Section N1103.5.1.1. Heat trace temperature maintenance systems shall be in accordance with Section N1103.5.1.2. Automatic controls, temperature sensors and pumps shall be *accessible*. Manual controls shall be readily *accessible*.

N1103.5.1.1 (R403.5.1.1) Circulation systems. Heated water circulation systems shall be operated by the water supply system pressure or a circulation pump if the water supply pressure is inadequate to drive the circulation. The system return pipe shall be a dedicated return pipe or a cold water supply pipe. Gravity and thermosyphon circulation systems shall only be used where design approval is granted by the building official. Controls for circulating hot water system pumps shall start the pump based on the identification of a demand for hot water within the occupancy. The controls shall automatically turn off the pump when the water in the circulation loop is at the desired temperature and when there is no demand for hot water.

N1103.5.1.2 (R403.5.1.2) Heat trace systems. Electric heat

trace systems shall comply with IEEE 515.1 or UL 515. Controls for such systems shall automatically adjust the energy input to the heat tracing to maintain

the desired water temperature in the piping in accordance with the times when heated water is used in the occupancy.

N1103.5.2 (R403.5.2) Demand recirculation water systems. Demand recirculation water systems shall have controls that comply with both of the following:

- a) The controls shall start the pump upon receiving a signal from the action of a user of a fixture or appliance, sensing the presence of a user of a fixture or sensing the flow of hot or tempered water to a fixture fitting or appliance.
- b) The controls shall limit the temperature of the water entering the cold water piping to not greater than 40°C (104°F).

N1103.5.3 (R403.5.3) Hot water pipe insulation (Prescriptive). Insulation for hot water piping with a thermal resistance, *R*-value, of not less than R-0.5 (m² • K)/W (R-3 h • ft² • °F/Btu) shall be applied to the following:

- 1. Piping 19 mm (¾ inch) and larger in nominal diameter.
- 2. Piping serving more than one dwelling unit.
- 3. Piping located outside the conditioned space.
- 4. Piping from the water heater to a distribution manifold.
- 5. Piping located under a floor slab.
- 6. Buried piping.
- 7. Supply and return piping in recirculation systems other than demand recirculation systems.

N1103.5.4 (R403.5.4) Drain water heat recovery units. Drain water heat recovery units shall comply with CSA B55.2. Drain water heat recovery units shall be tested in accordance with CSA B55.1. Potable water-side pressure loss of drain water heat recovery units shall be less than 20.7 kPa (3 psi) for individual units connected to one or two showers. Potable water-side pressure loss of drain water heat recovery units shall be less than 13.8 kPa (2 psi) for individual units connected to three or more showers.

N1103.6 (R403.6) Mechanical ventilation (Mandatory). The building shall be provided with ventilation that complies with the requirements of Section M1505 or with other approved means of ventilation. Outdoor air intakes and exhausts shall have automatic or gravity dampers that close when the ventilation system is not operating.

N1103.6.1 (R403.6.1) Whole-house mechanical ventilation system fan efficacy. Fans used to provide whole-house mechanical ventilation shall meet the efficacy requirements of Table N1103.6.1.

Exception: Where an air handler that is integral to tested and listed HVAC equipment is used to provide whole-house mechanical ventilation, the air handler shall be powered by an electronically commutated motor.

N1103.7 (R403.7) Equipment sizing and efficiency rating (Mandatory). Heating and cooling equipment shall be sized by registered design building professionals only in accordance with ACCA Manual S based on building loads calculated in accordance with ACCA Manual J or other approved heating and cooling calculation methodologies. New or replacement heating and cooling equipment shall have an efficiency rating equal to or greater than the minimum required by the BSI or a BSI recognized agency.

N1103.8 (R403.8) Systems serving multiple dwelling units (Mandatory). Systems serving multiple dwelling units shall comply with Sections C403 and C404 of the *Jamaica Energy Conservation Code—Commercial Provisions* instead of Section N1103.

N1103.9 (R403.9) Snow melt system controls (Mandatory). Not applicable.

N1103.10 (R403.10) Pools and permanent spa energy consumption (Mandatory). The energy consumption of pools and permanent spas shall be in accordance with Sections N1103.10.1 through N1103.10.3.

N1103.10.1 (R403.10.1) Heaters. The electric power to heaters shall be controlled by a readily accessible on-off switch that is an integral part of the heater mounted on the exterior of the heater, or external to and within 915 mm (3 feet) of the heater. Operation of such switch shall not change the setting of the heater thermostat. Such switches shall be in addition to an automatic trip circuit breaker for the power to the heater. Gas-fired heaters shall not be equipped with continuously burning ignition pilots.

TABLE N1103.6.1 (R403.6.1)
WHOLE-HOUSE MECHANICAL VENTILATION SYSTEM FAN EFFICACY^a

FAN LOCATION	AIR FLOW RATE MINIMUM (L/min)	MINIMUM EFFICACY (L/min /WATT)	AIR FLOW RATE MAXIMUM (L/min)
HRV or ERV	Any	33.96 L/min /watt	Any
Range hoods	Any	79.24 L/min /watt	Any
In-line fan	Any	79.24 L/min /watt	Any
Bathroom, utility room	283	39.62 L/min /watt	< 2,547
Bathroom, utility room	2,547	79.24 L/min /watt	Any

For Inch Pound Units: 1 L/min = 0.0353 cubic foot per minute.

- 1. When tested in accordance with HVI Standard 916.

N1103.10.2 (R403.10.2) Time switches. Time switches or other control methods that can automatically turn off and on according to a preset schedule shall be installed for heaters and pump motors. Heaters and pump motors that have built-in time switches shall be in compliance with this section.

Exceptions:

1. Where public health standards require 24-hour pump operation.
2. Pumps that operate solar- and waste-heat-recovery pool heating systems.

N1103.10.3 (R403.10.3) Covers. Outdoor heated pools and outdoor permanent spas shall be provided with a vapour-retardant cover or other *approved* vapour-retardant means.

Exception: Where more than 75 percent of the energy for heating, computed over an operation season of not less than 3 calendar months, is from a heat pump or an on-site renewable energy system, covers or other vapour-retardant means shall not be required

N1103.11 (R403.11) Portable spas (Mandatory). The energy consumption of electric-powered portable spas shall be controlled by the requirements of APSP 14.

N1103.12 (R403.12) Residential pools and permanent residential spas. Residential swimming pools and permanent residential spas that are accessory to detached one- and two-family dwellings and townhouses three stories or less in height above grade plane and that are available only to the household and its guests shall be in accordance with APSP 15.

SECTION N1104 (R404) ELECTRICAL POWER AND LIGHTING SYSTEMS (MANDATORY)

N1104.1 (R404.1) Lighting equipment (Mandatory). Not less than 90 percent of the permanently installed lighting fixtures shall contain only LED lamps.

N1104.1.1 (R404.1.1) Lighting equipment (Mandatory). Fuel gas lighting systems shall not have continuously burning pilot lights.

SECTION N1105 (R405) SIMULATED PERFORMANCE ALTERNATIVE (PERFORMANCE)

N1105.1 (R405.1) Scope. This section establishes criteria for compliance using simulated energy performance analysis. Such analysis shall include heating, cooling, mechanical ventilation and service water heating energy only.

N1105.2 (R405.2) Mandatory requirements. Compliance with this section requires that the mandatory provisions identified in Section N1101.13 be met. Supply and return ducts not completely inside the *building thermal envelope* shall be insulated to an *R*-value of not less than R1.1 ($m^2 \cdot K/W$) ($R-6 h \cdot ft^2 \cdot ^\circ F/Btu$).

N1105.3 (R405.3) Performance-based compliance. Compliance based on simulated energy performance requires that

a proposed residence (*proposed design*) be shown to have an

annual energy cost that is less than or equal to the annual energy cost of the *standard reference design*. Energy prices shall be taken from a source *approved* by the *building official*, such as the Jamaica Public Service Company and Power Partners Limited Data System Prices and Expenditures reports. *Building officials* shall be permitted to require time-of-use pricing in energy cost calculations.

Exception: The energy use based on source energy expressed in J (Btu) or J/m² (Btu per square foot) of *conditioned floor area* shall be permitted to be substituted for the energy cost. The source energy multiplier for electricity shall be 3.16. The source energy multiplier for fuels other than electricity shall be 1.1.

N1105.4 (R405.4) Documentation. Documentation of the software used for the performance design and the parameters for the *building* shall be in accordance with Sections N1105.4.1 through N1105.4.3.

N1105.4.1 (R405.4.1) Compliance software tools. Documentation verifying that the methods and accuracy of the compliance software tools conform to the provisions of this section shall be provided to the *building official*.

N1105.4.2 (R405.4.2) Compliance report. Compliance software tools shall generate a report that documents that the *proposed design* complies with Section N1105.3. A compliance report on the *proposed design* shall be submitted with the application for the *building* permit. Upon completion of the *building*, a compliance report based on the as-built condition of the *building* shall be submitted to the *building official* before a certificate of occupancy is issued. Batch sampling of *buildings* to determine energy code compliance shall only be allowed for stacked multiple-family units.

Compliance reports shall include information in accordance with Sections N1105.4.2.1 and N1105.4.2.2. Where the *proposed design* of a *building* could be built on different sites where the cardinal orientation of the building on each site is different, compliance of the *proposed design* for the purposes of the application for the building permit shall be based on the worst-case orientation, worst-case configuration, worst-case *building* air leakage and worst-case duct leakage. Such worst-case parameters shall be used as inputs to the compliance software for energy analysis.

N1105.4.2.1 (R405.4.2.1) Compliance report for permit application. A compliance report submitted with the application for a building permit shall include the following:

1. Building street address, or other building site identification.
2. A statement indicating that the *proposed design* complies with Section N1105.3.
3. An inspection checklist documenting the building component characteristics of the *proposed design* as indicated in Table N1105.5.2(1). The inspection checklist shall show results for both the *standard reference design* and the *proposed design* with user inputs to the compliance software to generate the results.

**TABLE N1105.5.2(1) [R405.5.2(1)]
SPECIFICATIONS FOR THE STANDARD REFERENCE AND PROPOSED DESIGNS**

BUILDING COMPONENT	STANDARD REFERENCE DESIGN	PROPOSED DESIGN
Above-grade walls	Type: mass where the proposed wall is a mass wall; otherwise wood frame.	As proposed
	Gross area: same as proposed.	As proposed
	<i>U</i> -factor: as specified in Table N1102.1.4.	As proposed
	Solar absorptance = 0.75.	As proposed
	Emittance = 0.90.	As proposed
Basement and crawl space walls	Type: same as proposed.	As proposed
	Gross area: same as proposed.	As proposed
	<i>U</i> -factor: as specified in Table N1102.1.4, with the insulation layer on the interior side of the walls.	As proposed
Above-grade floors	Type: wood frame.	As proposed
	Gross area: same as proposed.	As proposed
	<i>U</i> -factor: as specified in Table N1102.1.4.	As proposed
Ceilings	Type: wood frame.	As proposed
	Gross area: same as proposed.	As proposed
	<i>U</i> -factor: as specified in Table N1102.1.4.	As proposed
Roofs	Type: composition shingle on wood sheathing.	As proposed
	Gross area: same as proposed.	As proposed
	Solar absorptance = 0.75.	As proposed
	Emittance = 0.90.	As proposed
Attics	Type: vented with an aperture of 0.0929 m ² per 27.87 m ² (1 ft ² per 300 ft ²) of ceiling area.	As proposed
Foundations	Type: same as proposed.	As proposed
	Foundation wall area above and below grade and soil characteristics: same as proposed.	As proposed
Opaque doors	Area: 3.71 m ² (40 ft).	As proposed
	Orientation: North.	As proposed
	<i>U</i> -factor: same as fenestration as specified in Table N1102.1.4.	As proposed
Vertical fenestration other than opaque doors	Total area ^h = 1. The proposed glazing area, where the proposed glazing area is less than 15 percent of the conditioned floor area. 2. 15 percent of the conditioned floor area, where the proposed glazing area is 15 percent or more of the conditioned floor area.	As proposed
	Orientation: equally distributed to four cardinal compass orientations (N, E, S & W).	As proposed
	<i>U</i> -factor: as specified in Table N1102.1.4.	As proposed
	SHGC: as specified in Table N1102.1.2 except for <i>climate zones</i> without an SHGC requirement, the SHGC shall be equal to 0.40.	As proposed
	Interior shade fraction: 0.92-(0.21 × SHGC for the standard reference design).	Interior shade fraction: 0.92-(0.21 × SHGC as proposed)
	External shading: none	As proposed
Skylights	None	As proposed
Thermally isolated sunrooms	None	As proposed

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**TABLE N1105.5.2(1) [R405.5.2(1)]—continued
SPECIFICATIONS FOR THE STANDARD REFERENCE AND PROPOSED DESIGNS**

BUILDING COMPONENT	STANDARD REFERENCE DESIGN	PROPOSED DESIGN
Air exchange rate	<p>The air leakage rate at a pressure of 50 Pa (0.2 inch w.g.) shall be</p> <p><i>Climate Zones 1 and 2:</i> 5 air changes per hour. <i>Climate Zones 3 through 8:</i> 3 air changes per hour.</p> <p>The mechanical ventilation rate shall be in addition to the air leakage rate and shall be the same as in the proposed design, but not greater than $0.01 \times CFA / 0.0929 + 7.5 \times (N_{br} + 1)$ [For IPU = $0.01 \times CFA + 7.5 \times (N_{br} + 1)$] where: CFA = conditioned floor area, m² (ft.²) N_{br} = number of bedrooms. Energy recovery shall not be assumed for mechanical ventilation.</p>	<p>The measured air exchange rate^a.</p> <p>The mechanical ventilation rate^b shall be in addition to the air leakage rate and shall be as proposed.</p>
Mechanical ventilation	<p>Where mechanical ventilation is not specified in the proposed design: None</p> <p>Where mechanical ventilation is specified in the proposed design, the annual vent fan energy use, in units of kWh/yr, shall equal $(1/e_f) \times [0.0876 \times CFA / 0.0929 + 65.7 \times (N_{br} + 1)]$ {For IPU = $(1/e_f) \times [0.0876 \times CFA + 65.7 \times (N_{br} + 1)]$} where: e_f = the minimum exhaust fan efficacy, as specified in Table R403.6.1, corresponding to a flow rate of $0.01 \times CFA / 0.0929 + 7.5 \times (N_{br} + 1)$ CFA = conditioned floor area, m² (ft.²) N_{br} = number of bedrooms.</p>	<p>As proposed</p>
Internal gains	<p>IGain, in units of Btu/day per dwelling unit, shall equal $17,900 + 23.8 \times CFA / 0.0929 + 4,104 \times N_{br}$ {For IPU = $17,900 + 23.8 \times CFA + 4,104 \times N_{br}$} where: CFA = conditioned floor area, m² (ft.²) N_{br} = number of bedrooms.</p>	<p>Same as standard reference design.</p>
Internal mass	<p>Internal mass for furniture and contents: 39.04 kg/m² (8 pounds per square foot) of floor area.</p>	<p>Same as standard reference design, plus any additional mass specifically designed as a thermal storage element^c but not integral to the building envelope or structure.</p>
Structural mass	<p>For masonry floor slabs: 80 percent of floor area covered by R-2 carpet and pad, and 20 percent of floor directly exposed to room air.</p>	<p>As proposed</p>
	<p>For masonry basement walls, as proposed, but with insulation as specified in Table N1102.1.4, located on the interior side of the walls.</p>	<p>As proposed</p>
	<p>For other walls, ceilings, floors, and interior walls: wood frame construction.</p>	<p>As proposed</p>
Heating systems ^{d, e}	<p>For other than electric heating without a heat pump: as proposed.</p> <p>Where the proposed design utilizes electric heating without a heat pump, the standard reference design shall be an air source heat pump meeting the requirements of Section C403 of the JECC—Commercial Provisions.</p> <p>Capacity: sized in accordance with Section N1103.7.</p>	<p>As proposed</p>
Cooling systems ^{d, f}	<p>As proposed. Capacity: sized in accordance with Section N1103.7.</p>	<p>As proposed</p>
Service water heating ^{d, e, f, g}	<p>As proposed. Use: same as proposed design.</p>	<p>As proposed Use, in units of L/day = $113.55 + 3.785 \times 10 \times N_{br}$ {For IPU = gal/day = $30 + (10 \times N_{br})$} where: N_{br} = number of bedrooms.</p>

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**TABLE N1105.5.2(1) [R405.5.2(1)]—continued
SPECIFICATIONS FOR THE STANDARD REFERENCE AND PROPOSED DESIGNS**

BUILDING COMPONENT	STANDARD REFERENCE DESIGN	PROPOSED DESIGN
Thermal distribution systems	<p>Duct insulation: in accordance with Section N1103.3.1.</p> <p>A thermal distribution system efficiency (DSE) of 0.88 shall be applied to both the heating and cooling system efficiencies for all systems other than tested duct systems.</p> <p>Exception: For nonducted heating and cooling systems that do not have a fan, the standard reference design thermal distribution system efficiency (DSE) shall be 1.</p> <p>For tested duct systems, the leakage rate shall be 113.3 L/min (4 cfm) per 9.29m²(100 ft²) of <i>conditioned floor area</i> at a pressure of differential of 25 Pa (0.1 inch w.g.).</p>	<p>Duct insulation: as proposed.</p> <p>As tested or, where not tested, as specified in Table N1105.5.2(2).</p>
Thermostat	<p>Type: Manual, cooling temperature setpoint = 23.9 °C (75°F); Heating temperature setpoint = 22.2 °C (72°F).</p>	<p>Same as standard reference design.</p>

For Inch Pind Units: 1 m² = 10.764 square feet, 1 J = 0.000948 British thermal unit 1 kg/m² = 0.2049 pound per square foot, 1 L = 0.2642 gallon (US), °F = 1.8°C + 32, 1 degree = 0.79 rad.

1. Where required by the *building official*, testing shall be conducted by an *approved* party. Hourly calculations as specified in the ASHRAE *Handbook of Fundamentals*, or the equivalent, shall be used to determine the energy loads resulting from infiltration.
 2. The combined air exchange rate for infiltration and mechanical ventilation shall be determined in accordance with Equation 43 of 2001 ASHRAE *Handbook of Fundamentals*, page 26.24 and the “Whole-house Ventilation” provisions of 2001 ASHRAE *Handbook of Fundamentals*, page 26.19 for intermittent mechanical ventilation.
 3. Thermal storage element shall mean a component that is not part of the floors, walls or ceilings that is part of a passive solar system, and that provides thermal storage such as enclosed water columns, rock beds, or phase-change containers. A thermal storage element shall be in the same room as fenestration that faces within 15 degrees (0.26 rad) of true south, or shall be connected to such a room with pipes or ducts that allow the element to be actively charged.
 4. For a proposed design with multiple heating, cooling or water heating systems using different fuel types, the applicable standard reference design system capacities and fuel types shall be weighted in accordance with their respective loads as calculated by accepted engineering practice for each equipment and fuel type present.
 5. For a proposed design without a proposed heating system, a heating system having the prevailing U.S. federal minimum efficiency shall be assumed for both the standard reference design and proposed design.
 6. For a proposed design home without a proposed cooling system, an electric air conditioner having the prevailing U.S. federal minimum efficiency shall be assumed for both the standard reference design and the proposed design.
 7. For a proposed design with a nonstorage-type water heater, a 150 L (40-gallon) storage-type water heater having the prevailing federal minimum energy factor for the same fuel as the predominant heating fuel type shall be assumed. For a proposed design without a proposed water heater, a 50 L (40-gallon) storage-type water heater with the prevailing U.S. federal minimum efficiency for the same fuel as the predominant heating fuel type shall be assumed for both the proposed design and standard reference design.
8. For residences with conditioned basements, R-2 residences, and for townhouses, the glazing area shall be as specified in Section R303.1:
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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 9. A site-specific energy analysis report that is in compliance with Section N1105.3. 10. The name of the individual performing the analysis and generating the report. 11. The name and version of the compliance software tool. <p>N1105.4.2.2 (R405.4.2.2) Compliance report for certificate of occupancy. A compliance report submitted for obtaining the certificate of occupancy shall include the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Building street address, or other building site identification. | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. A statement indicating that the as-built building complies with Section N1105.3. 3. A certificate indicating that the building passes the performance matrix for code compliance and indicating the energy saving features of the buildings. 4. A site-specific energy analysis report that is in compliance with Section N1105.3. 5. The name of the individual performing the analysis and generating the report. 6. The name and version of the compliance software tool. |
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N1105.4.3 (R405.4.3) Additional documentation. The *building official* shall be permitted to require the following documents:

1. Documentation of the building component characteristics of the *standard reference design*.
2. A certification signed by the builder providing the building component characteristics of the *proposed design* as given in Table N1105.5.2(1).
3. Documentation of the actual values used in the software calculations for the *proposed design*.

N1105.5 (R405.5) Calculation procedure. Calculations of the performance design shall be in accordance with Sections N1105.5.1 and N1105.5.2.

N1105.5.1 (R405.5.1) General. Except as specified by this section, the *standard reference design* and *proposed design* shall be configured and analyzed using identical methods and techniques.

N1105.5.2 (R405.5.2) Residence specifications. The *standard reference design* and *proposed design* shall be configured and analyzed as specified by Table N1105.5.2(1). Table N1105.5.2(1) shall include, by reference, all notes contained in Table N1102.1.2.

N1105.6 (R405.6) Calculation software tools. Calculation software, where used, shall be in accordance with Sections N1105.6.1 through N1105.6.3.

N1105.6.1 (R405.6.1) Minimum capabilities. Calculation procedures used to comply with this section shall be software tools capable of calculating the annual energy consumption of all building elements that differ between the *standard reference design* and the *proposed design* and shall include the following capabilities:

1. Computer generation of the *standard reference design* using only the input for the *proposed design*. The calculation procedure shall not allow the user to directly modify the building component characteristics of the *standard reference design*.
2. Calculation of whole-building (as a single *zone*) sizing for the heating and cooling equipment in the *standard reference design* residence in accordance with Section N1103.6.

3. Calculations that account for the effects of indoor and outdoor temperatures and part-load ratios on the performance of heating, ventilating and air-conditioning equipment based on climate and equipment sizing.
4. Printed *building official* inspection checklist listing each of the *proposed design* component characteristics from Table N1105.5.2(1) determined by the analysis to provide compliance, along with their respective performance ratings such as *R*-value, *U*-factor, SHGC, HSPF, AFUE, SEER and EF.

N1105.6.2 (R405.6.2) Specific approval. Performance analysis tools meeting the applicable provisions of Section N1105 shall be permitted to be *approved*. Tools are permitted to be *approved* based on meeting a specified threshold. The *building official* shall be permitted to approve such tools for a specified application or limited scope.

N1105.6.3 (R405.6.3) Input values. When calculations require input values not specified by Sections N1102, N1103, N1104 and N1105, those input values shall be taken from an *approved* source.

**SECTION N1106 (R406)
ENERGY RATING INDEX
COMPLIANCE ALTERNATIVE**

N1106.1 (R406.1) Scope. This section establishes criteria for compliance using an Energy Rating Index (ERI) analysis.

N1106.2 (R406.2) Mandatory requirements. Compliance with this section requires that the provisions identified in Sections N1101.13 through N1104 indicated as “mandatory” and in Section N1103.5.3 be met. The *building thermal envelope* shall be greater than or equal to levels of efficiency and *Solar Heat Gain Coefficients* in Table 402.1.1 or 402.1.3 of the 2009 *Jamaica Energy Conservation Code*.

Exception: Supply and return ducts not completely inside the *building thermal envelope* shall be insulated to an *R*-value of not less than R-6.

**TABLE N1105.5.2(2) [R405.5.2(2)]
DEFAULT DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM EFFICIENCIES FOR PROPOSED DESIGNS^a**

DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM CONFIGURATION AND CONDITION	FORCED AIR SYSTEMS	HYDRONIC SYSTEMS ^b
Distribution system components located in unconditioned space	—	0.95
Untested distribution systems entirely located in conditioned space ^c	0.88	1
“Ductless” systems ^d	1	—

For Inch Pound Units: 1 L/s = 2.13 ft³/min, 1 m²square foot = 0.093m², 1 pound per square inch = 6895 Pa, 1 inch water gauge = 1250 Pa.

1. Default values this table are for untested distribution systems, which shall still meet minimum requirements for duct system insulation.
2. Hydronic systems means those systems that distribute heating and cooling energy directly to individual spaces using liquids pumped through closed-loop piping and that do not depend on ducted, forced airflow to maintain space temperatures.
3. Entire system in conditioned space means that no component of the distribution system, including the air handler unit, is located outside of the conditioned space.
4. Ductless systems shall be allowed to have forced airflow across a coil but shall not have any ducted airflow external to the manufacturer’s air handler enclosure.

N1106.3 (R406.3) Energy rating index. The Energy Rating Index (ERI) shall be determined in accordance with RESNET/ICC 301 except that the ERI reference design ventilation rate shall be in accordance with Equation 11-1.

Ventilation rate, L/s = $(4.71 \times 10^{-3} \times \text{total m}^2 \text{ area of house}) + [3.53 (\text{number of bedrooms} + 1)]$ (SI) (Equation 11-1)

CFM = $(0.01 \times \text{total square foot area of house}) + [7.5 \times (\text{number of bedrooms} + 1)]$ (IP)

Energy used to recharge or refuel a vehicle used for transportation on roads that are not on the building site shall not be included in the *ERI reference design* or the *rated design*.

N1106.4 (R406.4) ERI-based compliance. Compliance based on an ERI analysis requires that the *rated design* be shown to have an ERI less than or equal to the appropriate value indicated in Table N1106.4 when compared to the *ERI reference design*.

**TABLE N1106.4 (R406.4)
MAXIMUM ENERGY RATING INDEX**

CLIMATE ZONE	ENERGY RATING INDEX ^a
0	57
1	57
2	57
3	57
4	62
5	61
6	61
7	58
8	58

- Where on-site renewable energy is included for compliance using the ERI analysis of Section N1106.4, the building shall meet the mandatory requirements of Section N1106.2, and the building thermal envelope shall be greater than or equal to the levels of efficiency and SHGC in Table N1102.1.2 or Table N1102.1.4 of the 2015 *International Residential Code*.

N1106.5 (R406.5) Verification by approved agency. Verification of compliance with Section N1106 shall be completed by an *approved* third party.

N1106.6 (R406.6) Documentation. Documentation of the software used to determine the ERI and the parameters for the *residential building* shall be in accordance with Sections N1106.6.1 through N1106.6.3.

N1106.6.1 (R406.6.1) Compliance software tools. Software tools used for determining ERI shall be Approved Software Rating Tools in accordance with RESNET/ICC 301.

N1106.6.2 (R406.6.2) Compliance report. Compliance software tools shall generate a report that documents that the ERI of the *rated design* complies with Sections N1106.3 and N1106.4. The compliance documentation shall include the following information:

- Address or other identification of the residential building.
- An inspection checklist documenting the building component characteristics of the *rated design*. The inspection checklist shall

show results for both the *ERI reference design* and the *rated design*, and shall document all inputs entered by the user necessary to reproduce the results.

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3. Name of individual completing the compliance report.
4. Name and version of the compliance software tool.

Exception: Where an otherwise identical building model is offered in multiple orientations, compliance for any orientation shall be permitted by documenting that the building meets the performance requirements in each of the four (north, east, south and west) cardinal orientations.

N1106.6.3 (R406.6.3) Additional documentation. The *Local Authority* shall be permitted to require the following documents:

1. Documentation of the building component characteristics of the *ERI reference design*.
2. A certification signed by the builder providing the building component characteristics of the *rated design*.
3. Documentation of the actual values used in the software calculations for the *rated design*.

N1106.6.4 (R406.6.4) Specific approval. Performance analysis tools meeting the applicable sections of Section N1106 shall be *approved*. Documentation demonstrating the approval of performance analysis tools in accordance with Section N1106.6.1 shall be provided.

N1106.6.5 (R406.6.5) Input values. Where calculations require input values not specified by Sections N1102, N1103, N1104 and N1105, those input values shall be taken from RESNET/ICC 301.

SECTION N1107 (R501) EXISTING BUILDINGS—GENERAL

N1107.1 (R501.1) Scope. The provisions of Sections N1107 through N1111 shall control the *alteration, repair, addition* and change of occupancy of existing *buildings* and structures.

N1107.1.1 (R501.1.1) Additions, alterations, or repairs: General. *Additions, alterations, or repairs* to an existing *building, building system* or portion thereof shall comply with Section N1108, N1109 or N1110. Unaltered portions of the existing *building or building supply system* shall not be required to comply with this chapter.

N1107.2 (R501.2) Existing buildings. Except as specified in this chapter, this code shall not be used to require the removal, *alteration* or abandonment of, nor prevent the continued use and maintenance of, an existing *building or building system* lawfully in existence at the time of adoption of this code.

N1107.3 (R501.3) Maintenance. *Buildings* and structures, and parts thereof, shall be maintained in a safe and sanitary condition. Devices and systems that are required by this code shall be maintained in compliance with the code

edition under which installed. The owner or the owner's agent shall be responsible for the maintenance of *buildings* and structures. The requirements of this chapter shall not provide the basis for removal or abrogation of energy conservation,

fire protection and safety systems and devices in existing structures.

N1107.4 (R501.4) Compliance. *Alterations, repairs, additions* and changes of occupancy to, or relocation of, existing *buildings* and structures shall comply with the provisions for *alterations, repairs, additions* and changes of occupancy or relocation, respectively, in this code.

N1107.5 (R501.5) New and replacement materials. Except as otherwise required or permitted by this code, materials permitted by the applicable code for new construction shall be used. Like materials shall be permitted for *repairs*, provided that hazards to life, health or property are not created. Hazardous materials shall not be used where the code for new construction would not allow their use in *buildings* of similar occupancy, purpose and location.

N1107.6 (R501.6) Historic buildings. Provisions of this chapter relating to the construction, *repair, alteration, restoration* and movement of structures, and *change of occupancy* shall not be mandatory for *historic buildings* provided that a report has been submitted to the *building official* and signed by the owner, a registered *design building professional*, or a representative of the Jamaica National Heritage Trust, demonstrating that compliance with that provision would threaten, degrade or destroy the historic form, fabric or function of the *building*.

SECTION N1108 (R502) ADDITIONS

N1108.1 (R502.1) General. *Additions* to an existing *building, building* system or portion thereof shall conform to the provisions of this chapter as they relate to new construction without requiring the unaltered portion of the existing *building* or *building* system to comply with this chapter. *Additions* shall not create an unsafe or hazardous condition or overload existing *building* systems. An *addition* shall be deemed to comply with this chapter where the *addition* alone complies, where the existing *building* and *addition* comply with this chapter as a single *building*, or where the *building* with the *addition* does not use more energy than the existing *building*. *Additions* shall be in accordance with Section N1108.1.1 or N1108.1.2.

N1108.1.1 (R502.1.1) Prescriptive compliance. *Additions* shall comply with Sections N1108.1.1.1 through N1108.1.1.4.

N1108.1.1.1 (R502.1.1.1) Building envelope. New *building* envelope assemblies that are part of the *addition* shall comply with Sections N1102.1, N1102.2, N1102.3.1 through N1102.3.5, and N1102.4.

Exception: Where *unconditioned space* is changed to *conditioned space*, the *building* envelope of the addition shall comply where the Total UA, as determined in Section N1102.1.5, of the existing *building* and the *addition*, and any *alterations* that are part of the project, is less than or equal to the Total UA generated for the existing *building*.

N1108.1.1.2 (R502.1.1.2) Heating and cooling systems. New heating, cooling and duct systems that are part of the *addition* shall comply with Section N1103.

Exception: Where ducts from an existing heating and cooling system are extended to an *addition*, duct systems with less than 12,200 mm (40 linear feet) in *unconditioned spaces* shall not be required to be tested in accordance with Section N1103.3.3

N1108.1.1.3 (R502.1.1.3) Service hot water systems. New service hot water systems that are part of the *addition* shall comply with Section N1103.5.

N1108.1.1.4 (R502.1.1.4) Lighting. New lighting systems that are part of the *addition* shall comply with Section N1104.1.

N1108.1.2 (R502.1.2) Existing plus addition compliance (Simulated Performance Alternative). Where *unconditioned space* is changed to *conditioned space*, the *addition* shall comply where the annual energy cost or energy use of the *addition* and the existing *building*, and any *alterations* that are part of the project, is less than or equal to the annual energy cost of the existing *building* when modeled in accordance with Section N1105. The *addition* and any *alterations* that are part of the project shall comply with Section N1105 in its entirety.

SECTION N1109 (R503) ALTERATIONS

N1109.1 (R503.1) General. *Alterations* to any *building* or structure shall comply with the requirements of this code for new construction. *Alterations* shall be such that the existing *building* or structure is not less conforming with the provisions of this chapter than the existing *building* or structure was prior to the *alteration*.

Alterations to an existing *building, building* system or portion thereof shall conform to the provisions of this chapter as they relate to new construction without requiring the unaltered portions of the existing *building* or *building* system to comply with this chapter. *Alterations* shall not create an unsafe or hazardous condition or overload existing *building* systems. *Alterations* shall be such that the existing *building* or structure does not use more energy than the existing *building* or structure prior to the *alteration*. *Alterations* to existing *buildings* shall comply with Sections N1109.1.1 through N1109.2.

N1109.1.1 (R503.1.1) Building envelope. *Building* envelope assemblies that are part of the *alteration* shall comply with Section N1102.1.2 or N1102.1.4, Sections N1102.2.1 through N1102.2.13, N1102.3.1, N1102.3.2, N1102.4.3 and N1102.4.5.

Exception: The following *alterations* shall not be required to comply with the requirements for new construction provided that the energy use of the *building* is not increased:

1. Storm windows installed over existing fenestration.

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- Existing ceiling, wall or floor cavities exposed during construction provided that these cavities are filled with insulation.
- Construction where the existing roof, wall or floor cavity is not exposed.
- Roof recover.
- Roofs without insulation in the cavity and where the sheathing or insulation is exposed during reroofing shall be insulated either above or below the sheathing.
- Surface-applied window film installed on existing single-pane fenestration assemblies to reduce solar heat gain provided that the code does not require the glazing or fenestration assembly to be replaced.

N1109.1.1.1 (R503.1.1.1) Replacement fenestration.

Where some or all of an existing fenestration unit is replaced with a new fenestration product, including sash and glazing, the replacement fenestration unit shall meet the applicable requirements for *U*-factor and SHGC as specified in Table N1102.1.2. Where more than one replacement *fenestration* unit is to be installed, an area-weighted average of the *U*-factor, SHGC or both of all replacement *fenestration* units shall be an alternative that can be used to show compliance.

N1109.1.2 (R503.1.2) Heating and cooling systems. New heating, cooling and duct systems that are part of the *alteration* shall comply with Section N1103.

Exception: Where ducts from an existing heating and cooling system are extended, duct systems with less than 12,200 mm (40 linear feet) in *unconditioned spaces* shall not be required to be tested in accordance with Section N1103.3.3.

N1109.1.3 (R503.1.3) Service hot water systems. New service hot water systems that are part of the *alteration* shall comply with Section N1103.5.

N1109.1.4 (R503.1.4) Lighting. New lighting systems that are part of the *alteration* shall comply with Section N1104.1.

Exception: *Alterations* that replace less than 50 percent of the luminaires in a space, provided that such *alterations* do not increase the installed interior lighting power.

N1109.2 (R503.2) Change in space conditioning. Any non-conditioned or low energy space that is altered to become *conditioned space* shall be required to be brought into full compliance with this chapter.

Exception: Where the simulated performance option in Section N1105 is used to comply with this section, the annual energy cost of the *proposed design* is permitted to be 110 percent of the annual energy cost otherwise allowed by Section N1105.3.

SECTION N1110 (R504) REPAIRS

N1110.1 (R504.1) General. *Buildings*, structures and parts thereof shall be repaired in compliance with Section N1107.3 and this section. Work on nondamaged components necessary for the required *repair* of damaged components shall be considered to be part of the *repair* and shall not be subject to the requirements for *alterations* in this chapter. Routine maintenance required by Section N1107.3, ordinary *repairs* exempt from *permit*, and abatement of wear due to normal service conditions shall not be subject to the requirements for *repairs* in this section.

N1110.2 (R504.2) Application. For the purposes of this code, the following shall be considered to be *repairs*:

- Glass-only replacements in an existing sash and frame.
- Roof *repairs*.
- Repairs* where only the bulb, ballast or both within the existing luminaires in a space are replaced provided that the replacement does not increase the installed interior lighting power.

SECTION N1111 (R505) CHANGE OF OCCUPANCY OR USE

N1111.1 (R505.1) General. Spaces undergoing a change in occupancy that would result in an increase in demand for either fossil fuel or electrical energy shall comply with this chapter.

N1111.2 (R505.2) General. Any space that is converted to a dwelling unit or portion thereof from another use or occupancy shall comply with this chapter.

Exception: Where the simulated performance option in Section N1105 is used to comply with this section, the annual energy cost of the *proposed design* is permitted to be 110 percent of the annual energy cost allowed by Section N1105.3.

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CHAPTER 12

MECHANICAL ADMINISTRATION

User notes:

About this chapter: Chapter 12 supplements Chapter 1 and establishes the scope of coverage for Chapters 13 through 24. The applicability of code provisions to existing mechanical systems and appliances is established herein.

SECTION M1201 GENERAL

M1201.1 Scope. The provisions of Chapters 12 through 24 shall regulate the design, installation, maintenance, *alteration* and inspection of mechanical systems that are permanently installed and used to control environmental conditions within buildings. These chapters shall also regulate those mechanical systems, system components, *equipment* and *appliances* specifically addressed in this code.

M1201.2 Application. In addition to the general administration requirements of Chapter 1, the administrative provisions of this chapter shall apply to the mechanical requirements of Chapters 13 through 24.

SECTION M1202 EXISTING MECHANICAL SYSTEMS

M1202.1 Additions, alterations or repairs. *Additions, alterations, renovations or repairs* to a mechanical system shall conform to the requirements for a new mechanical system without requiring the existing mechanical system to comply with all of the requirements of this code. *Additions, alterations or repairs* shall not cause an existing mechanical system to become unsafe, hazardous or overloaded. Minor *additions, alterations* or repairs to existing mechanical systems shall meet the provisions for new construction, unless such work is done in the same manner and arrangement as was in the existing system, is not hazardous, and is *approved*.

M1202.2 Existing installations. Except as otherwise provided for in this code, a provision in this code shall not require the removal, *alteration* or abandonment of, nor prevent the continued use and maintenance of, an existing mechanical system lawfully in existence at the time of the adoption of this code.

M1202.3 Maintenance. Mechanical systems, both existing and new, and parts thereof shall be maintained in proper operating condition in accordance with the original design and in a safe and sanitary condition. Devices or safeguards that are required by this code shall be maintained in compliance with the code edition under which such devices and safeguards

were installed. The owner or the owner's designated agent shall be responsible for maintenance of the mechanical systems. To determine compliance with this provision, the *building official* shall have the authority to require a mechanical system to be reinspected.

CHAPTER 13

GENERAL MECHANICAL SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS

User notes:

About this chapter: Chapter 13 contains general requirements that apply broadly and that would not be at home in other chapters that address specific subject matter. Coverage includes: Testing and certification of materials, installation requirements, listing and labeling, access to appliances, clearances to combustibles, and protection of mechanical systems and the building structure.

SECTION M1301 GENERAL

M1301.1 Scope. The provisions of this chapter shall govern the installation of mechanical systems not specifically covered in other chapters applicable to mechanical systems. Installations of mechanical *appliances, equipment* and systems not addressed by this code shall comply with the manufacturer's installation and operation instructions

M1301.1.1 Flood-resistant installation. In flood hazard areas as established by Table R301.2(1), mechanical *appliances, equipment* and systems shall be located or installed in accordance with Section R322.1.6.

M1301.2 Identification. Each length of pipe and tubing and each pipe fitting utilized in a mechanical system shall bear the identification of the manufacturer and size.

M1301.3 Installation of materials. Materials shall be installed in strict accordance with the standards under which the materials are accepted and approved. In the absence of such installation procedures, the manufacturer's instructions shall be followed. Where the requirements of referenced standards or manufacturer's instructions do not conform to minimum provisions of this code, the provisions of this code shall apply.

M1301.4 Plastic pipe, fittings and components. Plastic pipe, fittings and components shall be third-party certified as conforming to NSF 14 or certified by the BSJ to JS-- or certified by a BSJ recognized certifying body to another standard acceptable to the BSJ.

M1301.5 Third-party testing and certification. Piping, tubing and fittings shall comply with the applicable referenced standards, specifications and performance criteria of this code and shall be identified in accordance with Section M1301.2. Piping, tubing and fittings shall either be tested by a BSJ approved third-party testing agency or certified by a BSJ approved third-party certification agency.

SECTION M1302 APPROVAL

M1302.1 Listed and labelled. *Appliances* regulated by this code shall be *listed* and *labelled* for the application in which they are installed and used, unless otherwise *approved* in accordance with Section R104.11.

SECTION M1303 LABELING OF APPLIANCES

M1303.1 Label information. A permanent factory-applied nameplate(s) shall be affixed to *appliances* on which shall appear, in legible lettering, the manufacturer's name or trademark, the model number, a serial number and the seal or *mark* of the testing agency. A *label* also shall satisfy the requirements of Jamaica Standard JS ----Part – and include the following:

1. Electrical *appliances*. Electrical rating in volts, amperes and motor phase; identification of individual electrical components in volts, amperes or watts and motor phase; and in Watts (Btu/h) output and required clearances.
2. Absorption units. Hourly rating in Watts (Btu/h), minimum hourly rating for units having step or automatic modulating controls, type of fuel, type of refrigerant, cooling capacity in Watts (Btu/h) and required clearances.
3. Fuel-burning units. Hourly rating in Watts (Btu/h), type of fuel *approved* for use with the *appliance* and required clearances.
4. Electric comfort-heating appliances. The electric rating in volts, amperes and phase; Watts (Btu/h) output rating; individual marking for each electrical component in amperes or watts, volts and phase; and required clearances from combustibles.
5. Maintenance instructions. Required regular maintenance actions and title or publication number for the operation and maintenance manual for that particular model and type of product.

SECTION M1304 TYPE OF FUEL

M1304.1 Fuel types. Fuel-fired *appliances* shall be designed for use with the type of fuel to which they will be connected and the altitude at which they are installed. *Appliances* that comprise parts of the building mechanical system shall not be

converted for the use of a different fuel, except where *approved* and converted in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions. The fuel input rate shall not be increased or decreased beyond the limit rating for the altitude at which the *appliance* is installed.

**SECTION M1305
APPLIANCE ACCESS**

(30 inches) wide shall be present at the front or service side

M1305.1 Appliance access for inspection service, repair and replacement. *Appliances* shall be located to allow for access for inspection, service, repair and replacement without removing permanent construction, other *appliances*, or any other piping or ducts not connected to the *appliance* being inspected, serviced, repaired or replaced. A level working space not less than 760 mm (30 inches) deep and 760 mm (30 inches) wide shall be provided in front of the control side

- to service an *appliance*.

M1305.1.1 Appliances in rooms. *Appliances* installed in a compartment, alcove, *basement* or similar space shall be accessed by an opening or door and an unobstructed passageway measuring not less than 610 mm (24 inches) wide and large enough to allow removal of the largest *appliance* in the space, provided there is a level service space of not less than 760 (30 inches) deep and the height of the *appliance*, but not less than 760 mm (30 inches), at the front or service side of the *appliance* with the door open.

M1305.1.2 Appliances in attics. *Attics* containing *appliances* shall be provided with an opening and a clear and unobstructed passageway large enough to allow removal of the largest *appliance*, but not less than 760 mm (30 inches) high and 560 mm (22 inches) wide and not more than 6,100 mm (20 feet) long measured along the centerline of the passageway from the opening to the *appliance*. The passageway shall have continuous solid flooring in accordance with Chapter 5 not less than 610 mm (24 inches) wide. A level service space not less than 760 mm (30 inches) deep and 760 mm (30 inches) wide shall be present along all sides of the *appliance* where access is required. The clear access opening dimensions shall be not less than of 510 mm by 760 mm (20 inches by 30 inches), and large enough to allow removal of the largest appliance.

Exceptions:

1. The passageway and level service space are not required where the *appliance* can be serviced and removed through the required opening.
2. Where the passageway is unobstructed and not less than 1,830 mm (6 feet) high and 560 mm (22 inches) wide for its entire length, the passageway shall be not more than 15,250 mm (50 feet) long.

M1305.1.2.1 Electrical requirements. A luminaire controlled by a switch located at the required passageway opening and a receptacle outlet shall be installed at or near the *appliance* location in accordance with Chapter 39. Exposed lamps shall be protected from damage by location or lamp guards.

M1305.1.3 Appliances under floors. Underfloor spaces containing *appliances* shall be provided with an unobstructed passageway large enough to remove the largest *appliance*, but not less than 760 mm (30 inches) high and 560 mm (22 inches) wide, nor more than 6,100 mm (20 feet) long measured along the centerline of the passageway from the opening to the *appliance*. A level service space not less than 760 mm (30 inches) deep and 760 mm

of the *appliance*. If the depth of the passageway or the service space exceeds 305 mm (12 inches) below the adjoining grade, the walls of the passageway shall be lined with concrete or masonry extending 100 mm (4 inches) above the adjoining grade in accordance with Chapter 4. The rough-framed access opening dimensions shall be not less than 560 mm by 760 mm (22 inches by 30 inches), and large enough to remove the largest *appliance*.

Exceptions:

1. The passageway is not required where the level service space is present when the access is open, and the *appliance* can be serviced and removed through the required opening.
2. Where the passageway is unobstructed and not less than 1,830 mm (6 feet) high and 560 mm (22 inches) wide for its entire length, the passageway shall not be limited in length.

M1305.1.3.1 Ground clearance. *Equipment* and *appliances* supported from the ground shall be level and firmly supported on a concrete slab or other *approved* material extending not less than 76 mm (3 inches) above the adjoining ground. Such support shall be in accordance with the manufacturer's installation instructions. *Appliances* suspended from the floor shall have a clearance of not less than 150 mm (6 inches) from the ground.

M1305.1.3.2 Pit locations. Appliances installed in pits or excavations shall not come in direct contact with the surrounding soil and shall be installed not less than 76 mm (3 inches) above the pit floor. The sides of the pit or excavation shall be held back not less than 305 mm (12 inches) from the appliance. Where the depth exceeds 305 mm (12 inches) below adjoining grade, the walls of the pit or excavation shall be lined with concrete or masonry. Such concrete or masonry shall extend not less than 100 mm (4 inches) above adjoining grade and shall have sufficient lateral load-bearing capacity to resist collapse. Excavation on the control side of the appliance shall extend horizontally not less than 760 mm (30 inches). The appliance shall be protected from flooding in an approved manner.

M1305.1.3.3 Electrical requirements. A luminaire controlled by a switch located at the required passageway opening and a receptacle outlet shall be installed at or near the *appliance* location in accordance with Chapter 39. Exposed lamps shall be protected from damage by location or lamp guards.

manufacturer's installation instructions.

M1306.2 Clearance reduction. The reduction of required clearances to combustible assemblies or combustible materi-

**SECTION M1306
CLEARANCES FROM
COMBUSTIBLE CONSTRUCTION**

M1306.1 Appliance clearance. *Appliances* shall be installed with the clearances from unprotected combustible materials as indicated on the *appliance label* and in the

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als shall be based on Section M1306.2.1 or Section M1306.2.2.

M1306.2.1 Labelled assemblies. The allowable clearance shall be based on an approved reduced clearance protective assembly that is listed and labelled in accordance with UL 1618.

M1306.2.2 Reduction table. Reduction of clearances shall be in accordance with the *appliance* manufacturer's instructions and Table M1306.2. Forms of protection with ventilated airspace shall conform to the following requirements:

1. Not less than 25 mm (1-inch) airspace shall be provided between the protection and combustible wall surface.
2. Air circulation shall be provided by having edges of the wall protection open not less than 25 mm (1 inch).
3. If the wall protection is mounted on a single flat wall away from corners, air circulation shall be provided by having the bottom and top edges, or the side and top edges not less than 35 mm (1 inch).
4. Wall protection covering two walls in a corner shall be open at the bottom and top edges not less than 25 mm (1 inch).

M1306.2.3 Solid-fuel appliances. Table M1306.2 shall not be used to reduce the clearance required for solid-fuel *appliances* listed for installation with minimum clearances of 305 mm (12 inches) or less. For *appliances* listed for installation with minimum clearances greater than 305 mm (12 inches), Table M1306.2 shall not be used to reduce the clearance to less than 305 mm (12 inches).

SECTION M1307 APPLIANCE INSTALLATION

M1307.1 General. Installation of *appliances* shall conform to the conditions of their *listing* and *label* and the manufacturer's instructions. The manufacturer's operating and installation instructions shall remain attached to the *appliance*.

M1307.2 Anchorage of appliances. *Appliances* designed to be fixed in position shall be fastened or anchored in an *approved* manner. In Seismic Design Categories D₁ and D₂, in all buildings including townhouses, water heaters and thermal storage units shall be anchored or strapped to resist horizontal displacement caused by earthquake motion in accordance with one of the following:

1. Anchorage and strapping shall be designed to resist a horizontal force equal to one-third of the operating weight of the water heater storage tank, acting in any horizontal direction. Strapping shall be at points within the upper one-third and lower one-third of the *appliance's* vertical dimensions. At the lower point, the strapping shall maintain a minimum distance of 100 mm (4 inches) above the controls.
2. The anchorage strapping shall be in accordance with the *appliance* manufacturer's recommendations.

M1307.3 Elevation of ignition source. *Appliances* having an *ignition source* shall be elevated such that the source of ignition is not less than 455 mm (18 inches) above the floor in garages. For the purpose of this section, rooms or spaces that are not part of the *living space* of a *dwelling unit* and that communicate with a private garage through openings shall be considered to be part of the garage.

Exception: Elevation of the ignition source is not required for appliances that are listed as flammable-vapour-ignition resistant.

M1307.3.1 Protection from impact. *Appliances* shall not be installed in a location subject to vehicle damage except where protected by *approved* barriers.

M1307.4 Hydrogen generating and refueling operations. *Ventilation* shall be required in accordance with Section M1307.4.1, M1307.4.2 or M1307.4.3 in private garages that contain hydrogen-generating *appliances* or refueling systems. For the purpose of this section, rooms or spaces that are not part of the *living space* of a *dwelling unit* and that communicate directly with a private garage through openings shall be considered to be part of the private garage.

M1307.4.1 Natural ventilation. Indoor locations intended for hydrogen-generating or refueling operations shall be limited to a maximum floor area of 79 m² (850 square feet) and shall communicate with the outdoors in accordance with Sections M1307.4.1.1 and M1307.4.1.2. The maximum rated output capacity of hydrogen-generating *appliances* shall not exceed 1.9 L/s (4 standard cubic feet per minute) of hydrogen for each 23 m² (250 square feet) of floor area in such spaces. The minimum cross-sectional dimension of air openings shall be 76 mm (3 inches). Where ducts are used, they shall be of the same cross-sectional area as the free area of the openings to which they connect. In those locations, *equipment* and *appliances* having an *ignition source* shall be located so that the source of ignition is not within 305 mm (12 inches) of the ceiling.

M1307.4.1.1 Two openings. Two permanent openings shall be constructed within the garage. The upper opening shall be located entirely within 305 mm (12 inches) of the ceiling of the garage. The lower opening shall be located entirely within 305 mm (12 inches) of the floor of the garage. Both openings shall be constructed in the same exterior wall. The openings shall communicate directly with the outdoors and shall have a minimum free area of 1.7 m²/1000 m³ (1/2 square foot per 1,000 cubic feet) of garage volume.

M1307.4.1.2 Louvers and grilles. In calculating free area required by Section M1307.4.1, the required size of openings shall be based on the net free area of each opening. If the free area through a design of louver or grille is known, it shall be used in calculating the size opening required to provide the free area specified. If the design and free area are not known, it shall be assumed that wood louvers will have a 25-percent free area and metal louvers and grilles will have a 75-percent free area. Louvers and grilles shall be fixed in the open position.

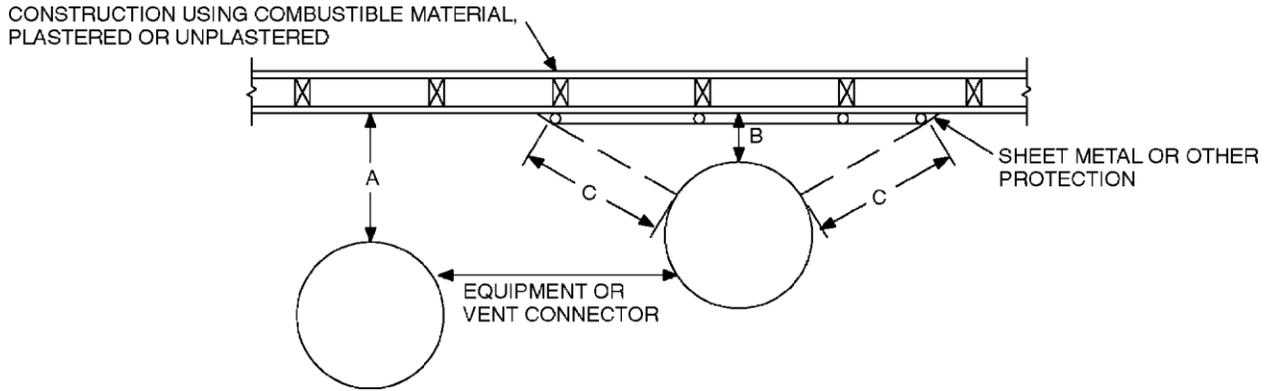
TABLE M1306.2
REDUCTION OF CLEARANCES WITH SPECIFIED FORMS OF PROTECTION^{a, c, d, e, f, g, h, i, j, k, l}

TYPE OF PROTECTION APPLIED TO AND COVERING ALL SURFACES OF COMBUSTIBLE MATERIAL WITHIN THE DISTANCE SPECIFIED AS THE REQUIRED CLEARANCE WITH NO PROTECTION (See Figures M1306.1 and M1306.2)	WHERE THE REQUIRED CLEARANCE WITHOUT PROTECTION FROM APPLIANCE, VENT CONNECTOR, OR SINGLE WALL METAL PIPE IS:									
	915 mm		455 mm		305 mm		230 mm		150 mm	
	Allowable clearances with specified protection (mm) ^b									
	Use column 1 for clearances above an appliance or horizontal connector. Use column 2 for clearances from an appliance, vertical connector and single-wall metal pipe.									
	Above column 1	Sides and rear column 2	Above column 1	Sides and rear column 2	Above column 1	Sides and rear column 2	Above column 1	Sides and rear column 2	Above column 1	Sides and rear column 2
88 mm-thick masonry wall without ventilated airspace	-	610	-	305	-	230	=	150	-	125
12.5 mm insulation board over 25 mm glass fiber or mineral wool batts	610	455	305	230	230	150	150	125	100	76
Galvanized sheet steel having a minimum thickness of 0.6 mm (No. 24 gage) over 25 mm glass fiber or mineral wool batts reinforced with wire or rear face with a ventilated airspace	455	305	230	150	150	100	125	76	76	76
88 mm-thick masonry wall with ventilated airspace	-	305	-	150	-	150	-	150	-	150
Galvanized sheet steel having a minimum thickness of 0.6-mm (No. 24 gage) with a ventilated airspace 25 mm off the combustible assembly	455	305	230	150	150	100	125	76	76	51
12.5 mm-thick insulation board with ventilated airspace	455	305	230	150	150	100	125	76	76	76
Galvanized sheet steel having a minimum thickness of 0.6-mm (No. 24 gage) with ventilated airspace over 24 gage sheet steel with a ventilated space.	455	305	230	150	150	100	125	76	76	76
25 mm glass fiber or mineral wool batts sandwiched between two sheets of galvanized sheet steel having a minimum thickness of 0.6- mm (No. 24 gage) with a ventilated airspace	455	305	230	150	150	100	125	76	76	76

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 kg/m³ = 0.0624 lb/ft³, °F = 1.8 °C + 32, 1 W/cm² × °C/cm = 693.3375 Btu/(h × ft² × °F/in).

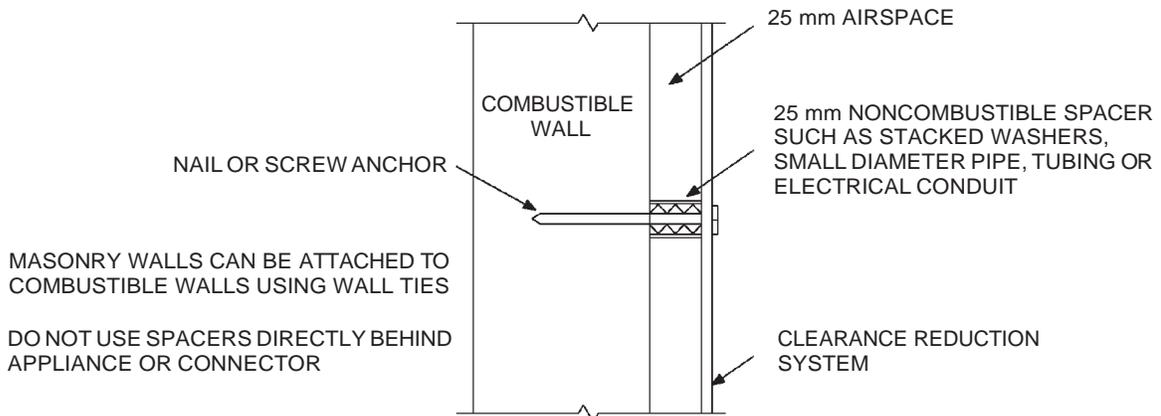
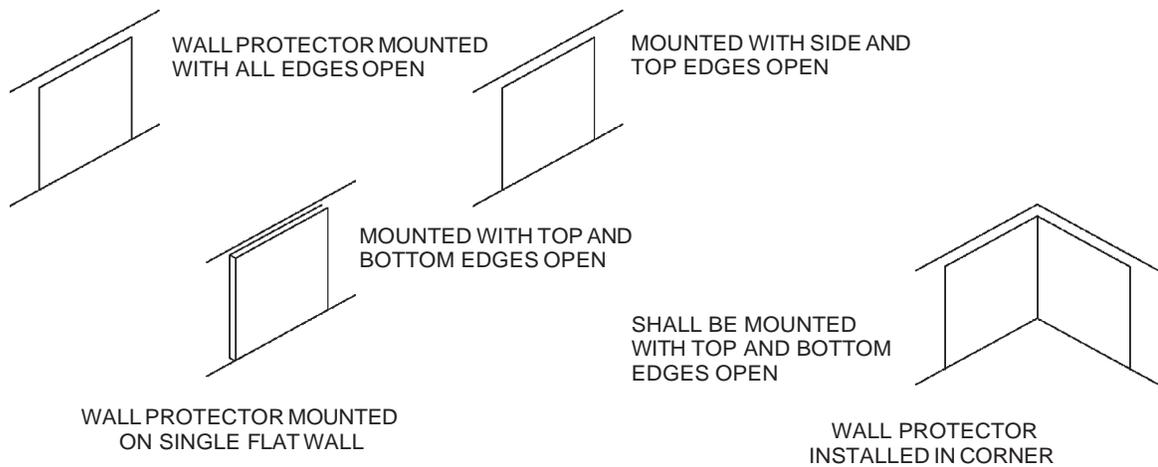
1. Reduction of clearances from combustible materials shall not interfere with combustion air, draft hood clearance and relief, and accessibility of servicing.
2. Clearances shall be measured from the surface of the heat producing appliance or equipment to the outer surface of the combustible material or combustible assembly.
3. Spacers and ties shall be of noncombustible material. Spacers and ties shall not be used directly opposite appliance or connector.
4. Where all clearance reduction systems use a ventilated airspace, adequate provision for air circulation shall be provided as described. (See Figures M1306.1 and M1306.2.)
5. There shall be not less than 25 mm between clearance reduction systems and combustible walls and ceilings for reduction systems using ventilated airspace.
6. If a wall protector is mounted on a single flat wall away from corners, adequate air circulation shall be permitted to be provided by leaving only the bottom and top edges or only the side and top edges open with not less than a 25 mm air gap.
7. Mineral wool and glass fiber batts (blanket or board) shall have a minimum density of 128.15 kg/m³ and a minimum melting point of 815.5 °C.
8. Insulation material used as part of a clearance reduction system shall have a thermal conductivity of 0.001442299 W/cm² × °C/cm or less. Insulation board shall be formed of noncombustible material.
9. There shall be not less than 25 mm between the appliance and the protector. The clearance between the appliance and the combustible surface shall not be reduced below that allowed in this table.
10. All clearances and thicknesses are minimum; larger clearances and thicknesses are acceptable.
11. Listed single-wall connectors shall be permitted to be installed in accordance with the terms of their listing and the manufacturer's instructions.
12. For limitations on clearance reduction for solid-fuel-burning appliances see Section M1306.2.3.

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Note: "A" equals the required clearance with no protection. "B" equals the reduced clearance permitted in accordance with Table M1306.2. The protection applied to the construction using combustible material shall extend far enough in each direction to make "C" equal to "A."

**FIGURE M1306.1
REDUCED CLEARANCE DIAGRAM**



For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch.

**FIGURE M1306.2
WALL PROTECTOR CLEARANCE REDUCTION SYSTEM**

M1307.4.2 Mechanical ventilation. Indoor locations intended for hydrogen-generating or refueling operations shall be ventilated in accordance with Section 502.16 of the *Jamaica Mechanical Code*. In these locations, *equipment* and *appliances* having an *ignition source* shall be located so that the source of ignition is below the mechanical *ventilation* outlet(s).

M1307.4.3 Specially engineered installations. As an alternative to the provisions of Sections M1307.4.1 and M1307.4.2, the necessary supply of air for *ventilation* and dilution of flammable gases shall be provided by an *approved* engineered system.

M1307.5 Electrical appliances. Electrical *appliances* shall be installed in accordance with Chapters 14, 15, 19, 20 and 34 through 43.

M1307.6 Plumbing connections. Potable water and drainage system connections to *equipment* and *appliances* regulated by this code shall be in accordance with Chapters 29 and 30.

SECTION M1308 MECHANICAL SYSTEMS INSTALLATION

M1308.1 Drilling and notching. Wood-framed structural members shall be drilled, notched or altered in accordance with the provisions of Sections R502.8, R602.6, R602.6.1 and R802.7. Holes in load-bearing members of cold-formed steel light-frame construction shall be permitted only in accordance with Sections R505.2.6, R603.2.6 and R804.2.6. In accordance with the provisions of Sections R505.3.5, R603.3.4 and R804.3.3, cutting and notching of flanges and lips of load-bearing members of cold-formed steel light frame construction shall not be permitted. Structural insulated panels (SIPs) shall be drilled and notched or altered in accordance with the provisions of Section R610.7.

M1308.2 Protection against physical damage. Where piping will be concealed within light-frame construction assemblies, the piping shall be protected against penetration by fasteners in accordance with Sections M1308.2.1 through M1308.2.3.

Exception: Cast-iron piping and galvanized steel piping shall not be required to be protected.

M1308.2.1 Piping through bored holes or notches. Where *piping* is installed through holes or notches in framing members and is located less than 38 mm (1½ inches) from the framing member face to which wall, ceiling or floor membranes will be attached, the pipe shall be protected by shield plates that cover the width of the pipe and the framing member and that extend 51 mm (2 inches) to each side of the framing member. Where the framing member that the piping passes through is a bottom plate, bottom track, top plate or top track, the shield plates shall cover the framing member and extend 51 mm (2 inches) above the bottom framing member and 51 mm (2 inches) below the top framing member.

M1308.2.2 Piping in other locations. Where piping is located within a framing member and is less than 38 mm (1½ inches) from the framing member face to which wall, ceiling or floor membranes will be attached, the pip-

ing shall be protected by shield plates that cover the width and length of the piping. Where piping is located outside of a framing member and is located less than 38 mm (1½ inches)

from the nearest edge of the face of the framing member to which the membrane will be attached, the piping shall be protected by shield plates that cover the width and length of the piping.

M1308.2.3 Shield plates. Shield plates shall be of steel material having a thickness of not less than 1.463 mm (0.0575 inch) (No. 16 gage).

CHAPTER 14

HEATING AND COOLING EQUIPMENT AND APPLIANCES

User notes:

About this chapter: Chapter 14 addresses the indoor environmental control systems and appliances typically found in dwelling units. Coverage includes general requirements for equipment and appliance sizing, condensate disposal, access and support, and specific coverage for more than a dozen different types of space conditioning equipment and appliances common to dwelling units.

SECTION M1401 GENERAL

M1401.1 Installation. Heating and cooling *equipment* and *appliances* shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions and the requirements of this code.

M1401.2 Access. Heating and cooling *equipment* and *appliances* shall be located with respect to building construction and other *equipment* and *appliances* to permit maintenance, servicing and replacement. Clearances shall be maintained to permit cleaning of heating and cooling surfaces; replacement of filters, blowers, motors, controls and vent connections; lubrication of moving parts; and adjustments.

Exception: Access shall not be required for ducts, piping, or other components approved for concealment.

M1401.3 Equipment and appliance sizing. Heating and cooling *equipment* and *appliances* shall be sized in accordance with ACCA Manual S or other approved sizing methodologies based on building loads calculated in accordance with ACCA Manual J or other *approved* heating and cooling calculation methodologies.

Exception: Heating and cooling equipment and appliance sizing shall not be limited to the capacities determined in accordance with Manual S where either of the following conditions applies:

1. The specified equipment or appliance utilizes multi-stage technology or variable refrigerant flow technology and the loads calculated in accordance with the approved heating and cooling calculation methodology are within the range of the manufacturer's published capacities for that equipment or appliance.
2. The specified equipment or appliance manufacturer's published capacities cannot satisfy both the total and sensible heat gains calculated in accordance with the approved heating and cooling calculation methodology and the next larger standard size unit is specified.

M1401.4 Outdoor installations. *Equipment* and *appliances* installed outdoors shall be *listed* and *labelled* for outdoor installation. Supports and foundations shall prevent excessive vibration, settlement or movement of the *equipment*. Sup-

ports and foundations shall be in accordance with Section M1305.1.3.1.

M1401.5 Flood hazard. In flood hazard areas as established by Table R301.2(1), heating and cooling *equipment* and *appliances* shall be located or installed in accordance with Section R322.1.6.

SECTION M1402 CENTRAL FURNACES

M1402.1 General. Oil-fired central furnaces shall conform to ANSI/UL 727. Electric furnaces shall conform to UL 1995.

M1402.2 Clearances. Clearances shall be provided in accordance with the *listing* and the manufacturer's installation instructions.

M1402.3 Combustion air. *Combustion air* shall be supplied in accordance with Chapter 17. *Combustion air* openings shall be unobstructed for a distance of not less than 150 mm (6 inches) in front of the openings.

SECTION M1403 HEAT PUMP EQUIPMENT

M1403.1 Heat pumps. Electric heat pumps shall be listed and labelled in accordance with UL 1995 or UL/CSA/ANCE 60335-2-40.

SECTION M1404 REFRIGERATION COOLING EQUIPMENT

M1404.1 Compliance. Refrigeration cooling *equipment* shall comply with Section M1411.

SECTION M1405 BASEBOARD CONVECTORS

M1405.1 General. Electric baseboard convectors shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions and Chapters 34 through 43. Electric baseboard heaters shall be listed and labelled in accordance with UL 1042.

SECTION M1406 RADIANT HEATING SYSTEMS

M1406.1 General. Electric radiant heating systems shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions and Chapters 34 through 43 and shall be listed for the application.

M1406.2 Clearances. Clearances for radiant heating panels or elements to any wiring, outlet boxes and junction boxes used for installing electrical devices or mounting luminaires shall comply with Chapters 34 through 43.

M1406.3 Installation of radiant panels. Radiant panels installed on wood framing shall conform to the following requirements:

1. Heating panels shall be installed parallel to framing members and secured to the surface of framing members or mounted between framing members.
2. Mechanical fasteners shall penetrate only the unheated portions provided for this purpose. Panels shall not be fastened at any point closer than 6.35 mm ($\frac{1}{4}$ inch) to an element. Other methods of attachment of the panels shall be in accordance with the panel manufacturer's instructions.
3. Unless *listed* and *labelled* for field cutting, heating panels shall be installed as complete units.

M1406.4 Installation in concrete or masonry. Radiant heating systems installed in concrete or masonry shall conform to the following requirements:

1. Radiant heating systems shall be identified as being suitable for the installation, and shall be secured in place as specified in the manufacturer's installation instructions.
2. Radiant heating panels or radiant heating panel sets shall not be installed where they bridge expansion joints unless protected from expansion and contraction.

M1406.5 Finish surfaces. Finish materials installed over radiant heating panels or systems shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions. Surfaces shall be secured so that nails or other fastenings do not pierce the radiant heating elements.

SECTION M1407 DUCT HEATERS

M1407.1 General. Electric duct heaters shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions and Chapters 34 through 43. Electric duct heaters shall comply with UL 1996.

M1407.2 Installation. Electric duct heaters shall be installed so that they will not create a fire hazard. Class 1 ducts, duct coverings and linings shall be interrupted at each heater to provide the clearances specified in the manufacturer's installation instructions. Such interruptions are not required for duct heaters *listed* and *labelled* for zero clearance to combustible materials. Insulation installed in the immediate

area of each heater shall be classified for the maximum temperature produced on the duct surface.

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M1407.3 Installation with heat pumps and air conditioners. Duct heaters located within 1.220 m (4 feet) of a heat pump or air conditioner shall be *listed* and *labelled* for such installations. The heat pump or air conditioner shall additionally be *listed* and *labelled* for such duct heater installations.

M1407.4 Access. Duct heaters shall be located to allow access for servicing, and clearance shall be maintained to permit adjustment, servicing and replacement of controls and heating elements.

M1407.5 Fan interlock. The fan circuit shall be provided with an interlock to prevent heater operation when the fan is not operating.

SECTION M1408 VENTED FLOOR FURNACES

M1408.1 General. Oil-fired vented floor furnaces shall comply with UL 729 and shall be installed in accordance with their *listing*, the manufacturer's instructions and the requirements of this code.

M1408.2 Clearances. Vented floor furnaces shall be installed in accordance with their listing and the manufacturer's instructions.

M1408.3 Location. Location of floor furnaces shall conform to the following requirements:

1. Floor registers of floor furnaces shall be installed not less than 150 mm (6 inches) from a wall.
2. Wall registers of floor furnaces shall be
3. Floor furnaces shall be installed not closer than 150 mm (6 inches) to the ground. The minimum clearance shall be 51 mm (2 inches), where the lower 150 mm (6 inches) of the furnace is sealed to prevent water entry.
4. Where excavation is required for a floor furnace installation, the excavation shall extend 760 mm (30 inches) beyond the control side of the floor furnace and 305 mm (12 inches) beyond the remaining sides. Excavations shall slope outward from the perimeter of the base of the excavation to the surrounding *grade* at an angle not exceeding 45 degrees (0.79 rad) from horizontal.
5. Floor furnaces shall not be supported from the ground.

SECTION M1409 VENTED WALL FURNACES

M1409.1 General. Oil-fired vented wall furnaces shall comply with UL 730 and shall be installed in accordance with their *listing*, the manufacturer's instructions and the requirements of this code.

M1409.2 Location. The location of vented wall furnaces shall conform to the following requirements:

1. Vented wall furnaces shall be located where they will not cause a fire hazard to walls, floors, combustible

installed not less than 150 mm (6 inches) from the adjoining wall at inside corners.

3. The furnace register shall be located not less than 305 mm (12 inches) from doors in any position, draperies or similar combustible objects.
4. The furnace register shall be located not less than 1,525 mm (5 feet) below any projecting combustible materials.
5. The floor furnace burner assembly shall not project into an occupied under-floor area.
6. The floor furnace shall not be installed in concrete floor construction built on grade.
7. The floor furnace shall not be installed where a door can swing within 305 mm (12 inches) of the grille opening.

M1408.4 Access. An opening in the foundation not less than 455 mm by 610 mm (18 inches by 24 inches), or a trap door not less than 560 mm by 760 mm (22 inches by 30 inches) shall be provided for access to a floor furnace. The opening and passageway shall be large enough to allow replacement of any part of the *equipment*.

M1408.5 Installation. Floor furnace installations shall conform to the following requirements:

1. Thermostats controlling floor furnaces shall be located in the room in which the register of the floor furnace is located.
2. Floor furnaces shall be supported independently of the furnace floor register.

finishings or doors. Vented wall furnaces installed between bathrooms and adjoining rooms shall not circulate air from bathrooms to other parts of the building.

2. Vented wall furnaces shall not be located where a door can swing within 305 mm (12 inches) of the furnace air inlet or outlet measured at right angles to the opening. Doorstops or door closers shall not be installed to obtain this clearance.

M1409.3 Installation. Vented wall furnace installations shall conform to the following requirements:

1. Required wall thicknesses shall be in accordance with the manufacturer's installation instructions.
2. Ducts shall not be attached to a wall furnace. Casing extensions or boots shall be installed only where listed as part of a *listed* and *labelled* appliance.
3. A manual shutoff valve shall be installed ahead of all controls.

M1409.4 Access. Vented wall furnaces shall be provided with access for cleaning of heating surfaces; removal of burners; replacement of sections, motors, controls, filters and other working parts; and for

adjustments and lubrication of parts requiring such attention. Panels, grilles and access doors that shall be removed for normal servicing operations shall not be attached to the building construction.

SECTION M1410 VENTED ROOM HEATERS

M1410.1 General. Vented room heaters shall be tested in accordance with ASTM E1509 for pellet-fuel burning, UL 896 for oil-fired or UL 1482 for solid fuel-fired and installed in accordance with their *listing*, the manufacturer's installation instructions and the requirements of this code.

M1410.2 Floor mounting. Room heaters shall be installed on noncombustible floors or *approved* assemblies constructed of noncombustible materials that extend not less than 455 mm (18 inches) beyond the *appliance* on all sides.

Exceptions:

1. *Listed* room heaters shall be installed on noncombustible floors, assemblies constructed of noncombustible materials or floor protectors *listed* and *labelled* in accordance with UL 1618. The materials and dimensions shall be in accordance with the *appliance* manufacturer's instructions.
2. Room heaters *listed* for installation on combustible floors without floor protection shall be installed in accordance with the *appliance* manufacturer's instructions.

SECTION M1411 HEATING AND COOLING EQUIPMENT

M1411.1 Approved refrigerants. Refrigerants used in direct refrigerating systems shall conform to the applicable provisions of ANSI/ASHRAE 34.

M1411.2 Refrigeration coils in warm-air furnaces. Where a cooling coil is located in the supply plenum of a warm-air furnace, the furnace blower shall be rated at not less than 124 Pa (0.5-inch water column) static pressure unless the furnace is *listed* and *labelled* for use with a cooling coil. Cooling coils shall not be located upstream from heat exchangers unless *listed* and *labelled* for such use. Conversion of existing furnaces for use with cooling coils shall be permitted provided that the furnace will operate within the temperature rise specified for the furnace.

M1411.3 Condensate disposal. Condensate from cooling coils and evaporators shall be conveyed from the drain pan outlet to an *approved* place of disposal. Such piping shall maintain a minimum horizontal slope in the direction of discharge of not less than $\frac{1}{8}$ unit vertical in 12 units horizontal (1-percent slope). Condensate shall not discharge into a street, alley or other area where it would cause a nuisance.

M1411.3.1 Auxiliary and secondary drain systems. In addition to the requirements of Section M1411.3, a secondary drain or auxiliary drain pan shall be required for each cooling or evaporator coil where damage to any building components will occur as a result of overflow from the *equipment* drain pan or stoppage in the condensate drain piping. Such piping shall maintain a minimum horizontal slope in the direction of discharge of not less than $\frac{1}{8}$ unit vertical in 12 units horizontal (1-percent slope). Drain piping shall be not less than 19 mm ($\frac{3}{4}$ -inch) nominal pipe size. One of the following methods shall be used:

1. An auxiliary drain pan with a separate drain shall be installed under the coils on which condensation will occur. The auxiliary pan drain shall discharge to a conspicuous point of disposal to alert occupants in

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the event of a stoppage of the primary drain. The pan shall have a minimum depth of 38 mm (1.5 inches), shall be not less than 76 mm (3 inches) larger than the unit or the coil dimensions in width and length and shall be constructed of corrosion-resistant material. Galvanized sheet steel pans shall have a minimum thickness of not less than 0.60 mm (0.0236-inch) (No. 24 Gage). Nonmetallic pans shall have a minimum thickness of not less than 1.6 mm (0.0625 inch).

2. A separate overflow drain line shall be connected to the drain pan installed with the *equipment*. This overflow drain shall discharge to a conspicuous point of disposal to alert occupants in the event of a stoppage of the primary drain. The overflow drain line shall connect to the drain pan at a higher level than the primary drain connection.
3. An auxiliary drain pan without a separate drain line shall be installed under the coils on which condensation will occur. This pan shall be equipped with a water level detection device conforming to UL 508 that will shut off the *equipment* served prior to overflow of the pan. The pan shall be equipped with a fitting to allow for drainage. The auxiliary drain pan shall be constructed in accordance with Item 1 of this section.
4. A water-level detection device conforming to UL 508 shall be installed that will shut off the *equipment* served in the event that the primary drain is blocked. The device shall be installed in the primary drain line, the overflow drain line or the *equipment*-supplied drain pan, located at a point higher than the primary drain line connection and below the overflow rim of such pan.

M1411.3.1.1 Water-level monitoring devices. On down-flow units and other coils that do not have secondary drain or provisions to install a secondary or auxiliary drain pan, a water-level monitoring device shall be installed inside the primary drain pan. This device shall shut off the equipment served in the event that the primary drain becomes restricted. Devices shall not be installed in the drain line.

M1411.3.2 Drain pipe materials and sizes. Components of the condensate disposal system shall be ABS, cast iron, copper, cross-linked polyethylene, CPVC, galvanized steel, PE-RT, polyethylene, polypropylene or PVC pipe or tubing. Components shall be selected for the pressure and temperature rating of the installation. Joints and connections shall be made in accordance with the applicable provisions of Chapter 30. Condensate waste and drain line size shall be not less than 19 mm ($\frac{3}{4}$ -inch) nominal diameter from the drain pan connection to the place of condensate disposal. Where the drain pipes from more than one unit are manifolded together for condensate drainage, the pipe or tubing shall be sized in accordance with an *approved* method.

M1411.3.3 Drain line maintenance. Condensate drain lines shall be configured to permit the clearing of block-

ages and performance of maintenance without requiring the drain line to be cut.

M1411.3.4 Appliances, equipment and insulation in pans. Where *appliances, equipment* or insulation are subject to water damage when auxiliary drain pans fill, those portions of the *appliances, equipment* and insulation shall be installed above the flood level rim of the pan. Supports located inside of the pan to support the *appliance* or *equipment* shall be water resistant and *approved*.

M1411.4 Condensate pumps. Condensate pumps located in uninhabitable spaces, such as attics and crawl spaces, shall be connected to the appliance or equipment served such that when the pump fails, the appliance or equipment will be prevented from operating. Pumps shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

M1411.5 Auxiliary drain pan. Category IV condensing *appliances* shall have an auxiliary drain pan where damage to any building component will occur as a result of stoppage in the condensate drainage system. These pans shall be installed in accordance with the applicable provisions of Section M1411.3.

Exception: Fuel-fired *appliances* that automatically shut down operation in the event of a stoppage in the condensate drainage system.

M1411.6 Insulation of refrigerant piping. Piping and fittings for refrigerant vapour (suction) lines shall be insulated with insulation having a thermal resistivity of not less than R-4 and having external surface permeance not exceeding 2.87 ng/(s · m² · Pa)

1. Perm] when tested in accordance [with ASTM E96.

M1411.7 Location and protection of refrigerant piping. Refrigerant piping installed within 38 mm ($1\frac{1}{2}$ inches) of the underside of roof decks shall be protected from damage caused by nails and other fasteners.

M1411.8 Locking access port caps. Refrigerant circuit access ports located outdoors shall be fitted with locking-type tamper-resistant caps or shall be otherwise secured to prevent unauthorized access.

SECTION M1412 ABSORPTION COOLING EQUIPMENT

M1412.1 Approval of equipment. Absorption systems shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions. Absorption equipment shall comply with UL 1995 or UL/CSA/ANCE 60335-2-40.

M1412.2 Condensate disposal. Condensate from the cooling coil shall be disposed of as provided in Section M1411.3.

M1412.3 Insulation of piping. Refrigerant piping, brine piping and fittings within a building shall be insulated to prevent condensation from forming on piping.

M1412.4 Pressure-relief protection. Absorption systems shall be protected by a pressure-relief device. Discharge from the pressure-relief device shall be located where it will not create a hazard to persons or property.

SECTION M1413 EVAPORATIVE COOLING EQUIPMENT

M1413.1 General. Evaporative cooling equipment and appliances shall comply with UL 1995 or UL/CSA/ANCE 60335-2-40 and shall be installed:

1. In accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.
2. On level platforms in accordance with Section M1305.1.3.1.
3. So that openings in exterior walls are flashed in accordance with Section R703.4.
4. So as to protect the potable water supply in accordance with Section P2902.
5. So that air intake opening locations are in accordance with Section R303.5.1.

SECTION M1414 FIREPLACE STOVES

M1414.1 General. Fireplace stoves shall be *listed, labelled* and installed in accordance with the terms of the listing. Fireplace stoves shall be tested in accordance with UL 737.

M1414.2 Hearth extensions. Hearth extensions for fireplace stoves shall be installed in accordance with the *listing* of the fireplace stove. The supporting structure for a hearth extension for a fireplace stove shall be at the same level as the supporting structure for the fireplace unit. The hearth extension shall be readily distinguishable from the surrounding floor area.

SECTION M1415 MASONRY HEATERS

M1415.1 General. Masonry heaters shall be constructed in accordance with Section R1002.

CHAPTER 15

EXHAUST SYSTEMS

User notes:

About this chapter: Chapter 15 is specific to exhaust systems related to clothes dryers, domestic cooking, toilet rooms, bathrooms and whole-house ventilation systems. Included are requirements for exhaust discharge locations, protection of exhaust ducts from damage, exhaust duct construction, duct length limits, and exhaust termination clearances. This chapter contains prohibitions for exhaust recirculation and discharge locations and addresses the design of whole-house ventilation systems required by Chapter 3.

SECTION M1501 GENERAL

M1501.1 Outdoor discharge. The air removed by every mechanical exhaust system shall be discharged to the outdoors in accordance with Section M1504.3. Air shall not be exhausted into an attic, soffit, ridge vent or crawl space.

Exception: Whole-house *ventilation-type attic* fans that discharge into the *attic* space of *dwelling units* having private *attics* shall be permitted.

SECTION M1502 CLOTHES DRYER EXHAUST

M1502.1 General. Clothes dryers shall be exhausted in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

M1502.2 Independent exhaust systems. Dryer exhaust systems shall be independent of all other systems and shall convey the moisture to the outdoors.

Exception: This section shall not apply to *listed and labelled* condensing (ductless) clothes dryers.

M1502.3 Duct termination. Exhaust ducts shall terminate on the outside of the building. Exhaust duct terminations shall be in accordance with the dryer manufacturer's installation instructions. If the manufacturer's instructions do not specify a termination location, the exhaust duct shall terminate not less than 915 mm (3 feet) in any direction from openings into buildings. Exhaust duct terminations shall be equipped with a backdraft damper. Screens shall not be installed at the duct termination.

M1502.3.1 Exhaust termination outlet and passageway size. The passageway of dryer exhaust duct terminals shall be undiminished in size and shall provide an open area of not less than 8065 mm² (12.5 square inches).

M1502.4 Dryer exhaust ducts. Dryer exhaust ducts shall conform to the requirements of Sections M1502.4.1 through M1502.4.7.

M1502.4.1 Material and size. Exhaust ducts shall have a smooth interior finish and shall be constructed of metal not less than 0.3950 mm (0.0157 inch) in thickness (No. 28 gage). The duct shall be 100 mm (4 inches) nominal in diameter.

M1502.4.2 Duct installation. Exhaust ducts shall be supported at intervals not to exceed 3,650 mm (12 feet) and shall be secured in place. The insert end of the duct shall extend into the adjoining duct or fitting in the direction of airflow. Exhaust duct joints shall be sealed in accordance with Section M1601.4.1 and shall be mechanically fastened. Ducts shall not be joined with screws or similar fasteners that protrude more than 3,2 mm (¹/₈ inch) into the inside of the duct. Where dryer exhaust ducts are enclosed in wall or ceiling cavities, such cavities shall allow the installation of the duct without deformation.

M1502.4.3 Transition duct. Transition ducts used to connect the dryer to the exhaust *duct system* shall be a single length that is *listed and labelled* in accordance with UL 2158A. Transition ducts shall be not greater than 2,450 mm (8 feet) in length. Transition ducts shall not be concealed within construction.

M1502.4.4 Dryer exhaust duct power ventilators. Domestic dryer exhaust duct power ventilators shall conform to UL 705 for use in dryer exhaust duct systems. The dryer exhaust duct power ventilator shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

M1502.4.5 Duct length. The maximum allowable exhaust duct length shall be determined by one of the methods specified in Sections M1502.4.5.1 through M1502.4.5.3.

M1502.4.5.1 Specified length. The maximum length of the exhaust duct shall be 10,675 mm (35 feet) from the connection to the transition duct from the dryer to the outlet terminal. Where fittings are used, the maximum length of the exhaust duct shall be reduced in accordance with Table M1502.4.5.1. The maximum length of the exhaust duct does not include the transition duct.

M1502.4.5.2 Manufacturer's instructions. The size and maximum length of the exhaust duct shall be determined by the dryer manufacturer's installation instructions. The Local Authority shall be provided with a copy of the installation instructions for the make and model of the dryer at the concealment inspection. In the absence of fitting equivalent length calculations from the clothes dryer manufacturer, Table M1502.4.5.1 shall be used.

**TABLE M1502.4.5.1
DRYER EXHAUST DUCT FITTING EQUIVALENT LENGTH**

DRYER EXHAUST DUCT FITTING TYPE	EQUIVALENT LENGTH
100 mm radius mitered 45-degree elbow	760 mm
100 mm radius mitered 90-degree elbow	1,525 mm
150 mm radius smooth 45-degree elbow	305 mm
150 mm radius smooth 90-degree elbow	535 mm
205 mm radius smooth 45-degree elbow	305 mm
205 mm radius smooth 90-degree elbow	482 mm
255 mm radius smooth 45-degree elbow	230 mm
255 mm radius smooth 90-degree elbow	455 mm
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or Inch Pound Units: 1mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 degree = 0.0175 rad.

M1502.4.5.3 Dryer exhaust duct power ventilator.

The maximum length of the exhaust duct shall be determined in accordance with the manufacturer’s instructions for the dryer exhaust duct power ventilator.

M1502.4.6 Length identification. Where the exhaust duct equivalent length exceeds 10,675 mm (35 feet) the equivalent length of the exhaust duct shall be identified on a permanent label or tag. The label or tag shall be located within 1,830 mm (6 feet) of the exhaust duct connection.

M1502.4.7 Exhaust duct required. Where space for a clothes dryer is provided, an exhaust *duct system* shall be installed. Where the clothes dryer is not installed at the time of occupancy the exhaust duct shall be capped or plugged in the space in which it originates and identified and marked “future use.”

Exception: Where a *listed* condensing clothes dryer is installed prior to occupancy of the structure.

M1502.5 Protection required. Protective shield plates shall be placed where nails or screws from finish or other work are likely to penetrate the clothes dryer exhaust duct. Shield plates shall be placed on the finished face of framing members where there is less than 32 mm (1¹/₄ inches) between the duct and the finished face of the framing member. Protective shield plates shall be constructed of steel, shall have a minimum thickness of 1.6 mm (0.062 inch) and shall extend not less than 51 mm (2 inches) above sole plates and below top plates.

ing exhaust equipment is provided, it shall comply with one of the following:

1. The fan for overhead range hoods and downdraft exhaust equipment not integral with the cooking appliance shall be listed and labelled in accordance with UL 507.

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DOMESTIC COOKING EXHAUST EQUIPMENT

M1503.1 General. Domestic cooking exhaust equipment shall comply with the requirements of this section.

M1503.2 Domestic cooking exhaust. Where domestic cooking exhaust equipment is provided, it shall comply with one of the following:

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2. Overhead range hoods and downdraft exhaust equipment with integral fans shall comply with UL 507.
3. Domestic cooking appliances with integral downdraft exhaust equipment shall be listed and labelled in accordance with ANSI Z21.1 or UL 858.
4. Microwave ovens with integral exhaust for installation over the cooking surface shall be listed and labelled in accordance with UL 923.

M1503.2.1 Open-top broiler exhaust. Domestic open-top broiler units shall be provided with a metal exhaust hood having a thickness of not less than 0.395 mm (0.0157 inch) (No. 28 gage). Such hoods shall be installed with a clearance of not less than 6.35 mm ($\frac{1}{4}$ inch) between the hood and the underside of combustible material and cabinets. A clearance of not less than 610 mm (24 inches) shall be maintained between the cooking surface and combustible material and cabinets. The hood width shall be not less than the width of the broiler unit and shall extend over the entire unit.

Exception: Broiler units that incorporate an integral exhaust system, and that are listed and labelled for use without an exhaust hood, shall not be required to have an exhaust hood.

M1503.3 Exhaust discharge. Domestic cooking exhaust equipment shall discharge to the outdoors through a duct. The duct shall have a smooth interior surface, shall be airtight, shall be equipped with a backdraft damper and shall be independent of all other exhaust systems. Ducts serving domestic cooking exhaust equipment shall not terminate in an attic or crawl space or areas inside the building.

Exception: Where installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions, and where mechanical or natural *ventilation* is otherwise provided, *listed* and *labelled* ductless range hoods shall not be required to discharge to the outdoors.

M1503.4 Duct material. Ducts serving domestic cooking exhaust equipment shall be constructed of galvanized steel, stainless steel or copper.

Exception: Ducts for domestic kitchen cooking *appliances* equipped with down-draft exhaust systems shall be

permitted to be constructed of schedule 40 PVC pipe and fittings provided that the installation complies with all of the following:

1. The duct is installed under a concrete slab poured on grade.
2. The underfloor trench in which the duct is installed is completely backfilled with sand or gravel.
3. The PVC duct extends not more than 25 mm (1 inch) above the indoor concrete floor surface.
4. The PVC duct extends not more than 25 mm (1 inch) above grade *outside of the building*.
5. The PVC ducts are solvent cemented.

M1503.5 Kitchen exhaust rates. Where domestic kitchen cooking *appliances* are equipped with ducted range hoods or down-draft exhaust systems, the fans shall be sized in accordance with Section M1505.4.4.

M1503.6 Makeup air required. Where one or more gas, liquid or solid fuel-burning appliance that is neither direct-vent nor uses a mechanical draft venting system is located within a dwelling unit's air barrier, each exhaust system capable of exhausting in excess of 0.19 m³/s (400 cubic feet per minute) shall be mechanically or passively provided with makeup air at a rate approximately equal to the exhaust air rate. Such makeup air systems shall be equipped with not fewer than one damper complying with Section M1503.6.2.

Exception: Makeup air is not required for exhaust systems installed for the exclusive purpose of space cooling and intended to be operated only when windows or other air inlets are open.

M1503.6.1 Location. Kitchen exhaust makeup air shall be discharged into the same room in which the exhaust system is located or into rooms or *duct systems* that communicate through one or more permanent openings with the room in which such exhaust system is located. Such permanent openings shall have a net cross-sectional area

not less than the required area of the makeup air supply openings.

M1503.6.2 Makeup air dampers. Where makeup air is required by Section M1503.6, makeup air dampers shall comply with this section. Each damper shall be a gravity damper or an electrically operated damper that automatically opens when the exhaust system operates. Dampers shall be located to allow access for inspection, service, repair and replacement without removing permanent construction or any other ducts not connected to the damper being inspected, serviced, repaired or replaced. Gravity or barometric dampers shall not be used in passive makeup air systems except where the dampers are rated to provide the design makeup airflow at a pressure differential of 3 Pa (0.01 in. w.c.) or less.

SECTION M1504

EXHAUST DUCTS AND EXHAUST OPENINGS

M1504.1 Duct construction. Where exhaust duct construction is not specified in this chapter, construction shall comply with Chapter 16.

M1504.2 Duct length. The length of exhaust and supply ducts used with ventilating equipment shall not exceed the lengths determined in accordance with Table M1504.2.

Exception: Duct length shall not be limited where the duct system complies with the manufacturer's design criteria or where the flow rate of the installed ventilating equipment is verified by the installer or approved third party using a flow hood, flow grid or other airflow measuring device.

M1504.3 Exhaust openings. Air exhaust openings shall terminate as follows:

1. Not less than 915 mm (3 feet) from property lines.
2. Not less than 915 mm (3 feet) from gravity air intake openings, operable windows and doors.

**TABLE M1504.2
DUCT LENGTH**

DUCT TYPE	FLEX DUCT								SMOOTH-WALL DUCT							
	0.024	0.038	0.047	0.059	0.071	0.094	0.118	0.142	0.024	0.038	0.047	0.059	0.071	0.094	0.118	0.143
Fan airflow rating (m ³ /s @ 6.35 mm wc ²)																
Diameter ^b (millimetres)	Maximum length ^{c, d, e} (millimeters)															
76	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
100	17069	1219	X	X	X	X	X	X	34747	9449	3050	X	X	X	X	X
125	NL	24689	12802	4877	610	X	X	X	NL	46330	27737	15545	8534	1219	X	X
150	NL	NL	48158	27737	16764	5486	305	X	NL	NL	NL	51206	34138	16154	7620	2743
178	NL	NL	NL	NL	49073	23774	12191	5791	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	45110	26822	16459
205 and above	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	57607	33833	21031	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	NL	60350	40538

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot.

1. Fan airflow rating shall be in accordance with ANSI/AMCA 210-ANSI/ASHRAE 51.
2. For noncircular ducts, calculate the diameter as four times the cross-sectional area divided by the perimeter.
3. This table assumes that elbows are not used. Four thousand five hundred and seventy-five millimeters of allowable duct length shall be deducted for each elbow installed in the duct run.

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4. NL = no limit on duct length of this size.
5. X = not allowed. Any length of duct of this size with assumed turns and fittings will exceed the rated pressure drop.

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Not less than 3,050 mm (10 feet) from mechanical air intake openings except where the exhaust opening is located not less than 945 mm (3 feet) above the air intake opening. Openings shall comply with Sections R303.5.2 and R303.6.

SECTION M1505 MECHANICAL VENTILATION

M1505.1 General. Where local exhaust or whole-house mechanical ventilation is provided, the equipment shall be designed in accordance with this section.

M1505.2 Recirculation of air. Exhaust air from bathrooms and toilet rooms shall not be recirculated within a residence or circulated to another *dwelling unit* and shall be exhausted directly to the outdoors. Exhaust air from bathrooms, toilet rooms and kitchens shall not discharge into an *attic*, crawl space or other areas inside the building. This section shall not prohibit the installation of ductless range hoods in accordance with the exception to Section M1503.3.

M1505.3 Exhaust equipment. Exhaust equipment serving single *dwelling units* shall be *listed and labelled* as providing the minimum required airflow in accordance with ANSI/AMCA 210-ANSI/ASHRAE 51.

M1505.4 Whole-house mechanical ventilation system. Whole-house mechanical ventilation systems shall be designed in accordance with Sections M1505.4.1 through M1505.4.4.

M1505.4.1 System design. The whole-house ventilation system shall consist of one or more supply or exhaust fans, or a combination of such, and associated ducts and controls. Local exhaust or supply fans are permitted to serve as such a system. Outdoor air ducts connected to the return

side of an air handler shall be considered as providing supply ventilation. **M1505.4.2 System controls.** The whole-house mechanical ventilation system shall be provided with controls that enable manual override.

M1505.4.3 Mechanical ventilation rate. The whole-house mechanical ventilation system shall provide outdoor air at a continuous rate as determined in accordance with Table M1505.4.3(1) or Equation 15-1.

Ventilation rate in cubic feet per minute = $(0.01 \times \text{total square foot area of house}) + [7.5 \times (\text{number of bedrooms} + 1)]$

Equation 15-1

Exception: The whole-house mechanical ventilation system is permitted to operate intermittently where the system has controls that enable operation for not less than 25 percent of each 4-hour segment and the ventilation rate prescribed in Table M1505.4.3(1) is multiplied by the factor determined in accordance with Table M1505.4.3(2).

M1505.4.4 Local exhaust rates. *Local exhaust* systems shall be designed to have the capacity to exhaust the minimum airflow rate determined in accordance with Table M1505.4.4.

TABLE M1505.4.4
MINIMUM REQUIRED LOCAL EXHAUST RATES FOR
ONE- AND TWO-FAMILY DWELLINGS

AREA TO BE EXHAUSTED	EXHAUST RATES
Kitchens	0.04719 m ³ /s intermittent or 0.0118 m ³ /s continuous
Bathrooms-Toilet Rooms	Mechanical exhaust capacity of 0.023595 m ³ /s intermittent or 0.00944 m ³ /s continuous

For Inch Pound Units: 1 m³/s = 2,119.09 ft³/min.

TABLE M1505.4.3(1)
CONTINUOUS WHOLE-HOUSE MECHANICAL VENTILATION SYSTEM AIRFLOW RATE REQUIREMENTS

DWELLING UNIT FLOOR AREA (square metres)	NUMBER OF BEDROOMS				
	0 – 1	2 – 3	4 – 5	6 – 7	> 7
	Airflow in CMS				
< 140	0.0142	0.0212	0.0283	0.0354	0.0425
141 - 280	0.0212	0.0283	0.0354	0.0425	0.0495
281 - 420	0.0283	0.0354	0.0425	0.0495	0.0566
421 - 560	0.0354	0.0425	0.0495	0.0566	0.0637
561 - 700	0.0425	0.0495	0.0566	0.0637	0.0708
>700	0.0495	0.0566	0.0637	0.0708	0.0779

For Inch Pound Units: 1 square metre = 10.7643 ft², 1 m³/s = 2,119.09 ft³/min.

TABLE M1505.4.3(2)
INTERMITTENT WHOLE-HOUSE MECHANICAL VENTILATION RATE FACTORS^{a, b}

RUN-TIME PERCENTAGE IN EACH 4-HOUR SEGMENT	25%	33%	50%	66%	75%	100%
Factor ^a	4	3	2	1.5	1.3	1.0

- For ventilation system run time values between those given, the factors are permitted to be determined by interpolation.
- Extrapolation beyond the table is prohibited.

CHAPTER 16

DUCT SYSTEMS

User notes:

About this chapter: Chapter 16 addresses duct construction for HVAC and most exhaust systems. This chapter covers duct materials, duct construction, duct installation, duct insulation properties, duct sealing, above-ground and underground ducts, return air intake locations and air plenums.

SECTION M1601 DUCT CONSTRUCTION

M1601.1 Duct design. *Duct systems* serving heating, cooling and *ventilation equipment* shall be installed in accordance with the provisions of this section and ACCA Manual D, the appliance manufacturer's installation instructions or other *approved methods*.

M1601.1.1 Above-ground duct systems. Above-ground *duct systems* shall conform to the following:

1. *Equipment* connected to *duct systems* shall be designed to limit discharge air temperature to not greater than 121 °C (250°F).
2. Factory-made ducts shall be listed and labelled in accordance with UL 181 and installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.
3. Fibrous glass duct construction shall conform to the SMACNA *Fibrous Glass Duct Construction Standards* or NAIMA *Fibrous Glass Duct Construction Standards*.
4. Field-fabricated and shop-fabricated metal and flexible duct constructions shall conform to the SMACNA *HVAC Duct Construction Standards—Metal and Flexible* except as allowed by Table M1601.1.1. Galvanized steel shall conform to ASTM A653.
5. The use of gypsum products to construct return air ducts or plenums is permitted, provided that the air temperature does not exceed 52 ° (125°F) and exposed surfaces are not subject to condensation.
6. *Duct systems* shall be constructed of materials having a flame spread index of not greater than 200.
7. Stud wall cavities and the spaces between solid floor joists to be used as air plenums shall comply with the following conditions:
 1. These cavities or spaces shall not be used as a plenum for supply air.
 2. These cavities or spaces shall not be part of a required fire-resistance-rated assembly.

3. Stud wall cavities shall not convey air from more than one floor level.
4. Stud wall cavities and joist-space plenums shall be isolated from adjacent concealed spaces by tight-fitting fireblocking in accordance with Section R602.8.
5. Stud wall cavities in the outside walls of building envelope assemblies shall not be utilized as air plenums.
8. Volume dampers, equipment and other means of supply, return and exhaust air adjustment used in system balancing shall be provided with access.

M1601.1.2 Underground duct systems. Underground *duct systems* shall be constructed of *approved* concrete, clay, metal or plastic. The maximum design temperature for systems utilizing plastic duct and fittings shall be 66 °C (150°F). Metal ducts shall be protected from corrosion in an *approved* manner or shall be completely encased in concrete not less than 51 mm (2 inches) thick. Nonmetallic ducts shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions. Plastic pipe and fitting materials shall conform to cell classification 12454-B of ASTM D1248 or ASTM D1784 and external loading properties of ASTM D2412. Ducts shall slope to a drainage point that has access. Ducts shall be sealed, secured and tested prior to encasing the ducts in concrete or direct burial. Duct tightness shall be verified as required by Section N1103.3. Metallic ducts having an *approved* protective coating and nonmetallic ducts shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

M1601.2 Vibration isolators. Vibration isolators installed between mechanical *equipment* and metal ducts shall be fabricated from *approved* materials and shall not exceed 255 mm (10 inches) in length.

M1601.3 Duct insulation materials. Duct insulation materials shall conform to the following requirements:

1. Duct coverings and linings, including adhesives where used, shall have a flame spread index not higher than 25, and a smoke-developed index not over 50 when

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tested in accordance with ASTM E84 or UL 723, using the specimen preparation and mounting procedures of ASTM E2231.

Exception: Spray application of polyurethane foam to the exterior of ducts in attics and crawl spaces shall be permitted subject to all of the following:

1. The flame spread index is not greater than 25 and the smoke-developed index is not greater than 450 at the specified installed thickness.
2. The foam plastic is protected in accordance with the ignition barrier requirements of Sections R316.5.3 and R316.5.4.
3. The foam plastic complies with the requirements of Section R316.
2. Duct coverings and linings shall not flame, glow, smolder or smoke when tested in accordance with ASTM C411 at the temperature to which they are exposed in service. The test temperature shall not fall below 121 °C (250°F). Coverings and linings shall be listed and labelled.
3. External reflective duct insulation shall be legibly printed or identified at intervals not greater than 915 mm (36 inches) with the name of the manufacturer, the product R-value at the specified installed thickness and the flame spread and smoke-developed indices. The installed thickness of the external duct insulation shall include the enclosed airspace(s). The product R-value for external reflective duct insulation shall be determined in accordance with ASTM C1668.
4. External duct insulation and factory-insulated flexible ducts shall be legibly printed or identified at intervals

not longer than 915 mm (36 inches) with the name of the manufacturer, the thermal resistance R-value at the specified installed thickness and the flame spread and smoke-developed indices of the composite materials. Spray polyurethane foam manufacturers shall provide the same product information and properties, at the nominal installed thickness, to the customer in writing at the time of foam application. Nonreflective duct insulation product R-values shall be based on insulation only, excluding air films, vapour retarders or other duct components, and shall be based on tested C-values at 24 °C (75°F) mean temperature at the installed thickness, in accordance with recognized industry procedures. The installed thickness of duct insulation used to determine its R-value shall be determined as follows:

1. For duct board, duct liner and factory-made rigid ducts not normally subjected to compression, the nominal insulation thickness shall be used.
2. For ductwrap, the installed thickness shall be assumed to be 75 percent (25-percent compression) of nominal thickness.
3. For factory-made flexible air ducts, The installed thickness shall be determined by dividing the difference between the actual outside diameter and nominal inside diameter by two.
4. For spray polyurethane foam, the aged R-value per inch measured in accordance with recognized industry standards shall be provided to the customer in writing at the time of foam application. In addition, the total R-value for the nominal application thickness shall be provided.

TABLE M1601.1.1

DUCT CONSTRUCTION MINIMUM SHEET METAL THICKNESS FOR SINGLE DWELLING UNITS^a

ROUND DUCT DIAMETER (millimeters)	STATIC PRESSURE			
	12.5 mm water gage		25 mm water gage	
	Thickness (millimeters)		Thickness (millimeters)	
	Galvanized	Aluminum	Galvanized	Aluminum
< 305	0.325	0.450	0.325	0.450
305 to 355	0.325	0.450	0.400	0.575
380 to 430	0.400	0.575	0.475	0.675
455	0.400	0.575	0.600	0.850
482 to 510	0.475	0.675	0.600	0.850

RECTANGULAR DUCT DIMENSION (millimeters)	STATIC PRESSURE	
	12.5 mm water gage	25 mm water gage
	Thickness (millimeters)	Thickness (millimeters)

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	Galvanized	Aluminum	Galvanized	Aluminum
< 205	0.325	0.450	0.325	0.450
230 to 255	0.335	0.450	0.400	0.575
280 to 305	0.400	0.575	0.475	0.675
330 to 405	0.475	0.675	0.475	0.675
430 to 455	0.475	0.675	0.600	0.850
480 to 510	0.600	0.850	0.600	0.850

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch 1 Pascal = 0.004 inch water gage.

1. Ductwork that exceeds 510 mm by dimension or exceeds a pressure of 25 mm water gage shall be constructed in accordance with SMACNA *HVAC Duct Construction Standards—Metal and Flexible*.

M1601.4 Installation. Duct installation shall comply with Sections M1601.4.1 through M1601.4.10.

M1601.4.1 Joints, seams and connections. Longitudinal and transverse joints, seams and connections in metallic and nonmetallic ducts shall be constructed as specified in SMACNA HVAC *Duct Construction Standards—Metal and Flexible* and NAIMA *Fibrous Glass Duct Construction Standards*. Joints, longitudinal and transverse seams, and connections in ductwork shall be securely fastened and sealed with welds, gaskets, mastics (adhesives), mastic-plus-embedded-fabric systems, liquid sealants or tapes. Tapes and mastics used to seal fibrous glass ductwork shall be *listed* and *labelled* in accordance with UL 181A and shall be marked “181A-P” for pressure-sensitive tape, “181 A-M” for mastic or “181 A-H” for heat-sensitive tape.

Tapes and mastics used to seal metallic and flexible air ducts and flexible air connectors shall comply with UL 181B and shall be marked “181 B-FX” for pressure-sensitive tape or “181 BM” for mastic. Duct connections to flanges of air distribution system equipment shall be sealed and mechanically fastened. Mechanical fasteners for use with flexible nonmetallic air ducts shall comply with UL 181B and shall be marked 181B-C. Crimp joints for round metallic ducts shall have a contact lap of not less than 25 mm (1 inch) and shall be mechanically fastened by means of not less than three sheet-metal screws or rivets equally spaced around the joint.

Closure systems used to seal all ductwork shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturers’ instructions.

Exceptions:

1. Spray polyurethane foam shall be permitted to be applied without additional joint seals.
2. Where a duct connection is made that is partially without access, three screws or rivets shall be equally spaced on the exposed portion of the joint so as to prevent a hinge effect.
3. For ducts having a static pressure classification of less than 500 Pa (2 inches of water column), additional closure systems shall not be required for continuously welded joints and seams and locking-type joints and seams. This exception shall not apply to snap-lock and button-lock type joints and seams that are located outside of conditioned spaces

M1601.4.2 Duct lap. Crimp joints for round and oval metal ducts shall be lapped not less than 25 mm (1 inch) and the male end of the duct shall extend into the adjoining duct in the direction of airflow.

M1601.4.3 Plastic duct joints. Joints between plastic ducts and plastic fittings shall be made in accordance with the manufacturer’s installation

instructions.

M1601.4.4 Support. Factory-made ducts listed in accordance with UL 181 shall be supported in accordance with the manufacturer’s installation instructions. Field- and shop-fabricated fibrous glass ducts shall be supported in

accordance with the SMACNA *Fibrous Glass Duct Construction Standards* or the NAIMA *Fibrous Glass Duct Construction Standards*. Field- and shop-fabricated metal and flexible ducts shall be supported in accordance with the SMACNA HVAC *Duct Construction Standards—Metal and Flexible*.

M1601.4.5 Fireblocking. Duct installations shall be fire-blocked in accordance with Section R602.8.

M1601.4.6 Duct insulation. Duct insulation shall be installed in accordance with the following requirements:

1. A vapour retarder having a permeance of not greater than $2.87 \text{ ng}/(\text{s} \cdot \text{m}^2 \cdot \text{Pa})$ (0.05 perm) in accordance with ASTM E96, or aluminum foil with a thickness of not less than 2 mils (0.05 mm), shall be installed on the exterior of insulation on cooling supply ducts that pass through unconditioned spaces conducive to condensation except where the insulation is spray polyurethane foam with a water vapour permeance of not greater than $1722 \text{ ng}/(\text{s} \cdot \text{m}^2 \cdot \text{Pa})$ (3 perms per inch) at the installed thickness.
2. Outdoor *duct systems* shall be protected against the elements.
3. Duct coverings shall not penetrate a fireblocked wall or floor.

M1601.4.7 Factory-made air ducts. Factory-made air ducts shall not be installed in or on the ground, in tile or metal pipe, or within masonry or concrete.

M1601.4.8 Duct separation. Ducts shall be installed with not less than 100 mm (4 inches) separation from earth except where they meet the requirements of Section M1601.1.2.

M1601.4.9 Ducts located in garages. Ducts in garages shall comply with the requirements of Section R302.5.2.

M1601.4.10 Flood hazard areas. In flood hazard areas as established by Table R301.2(1), *duct systems* shall be located or installed in accordance with Section R322.1.6.

M1601.5 Under-floor plenums. Under-floor plenums shall be prohibited in new structures. Modification or repairs to under-floor plenums in existing structures shall conform to the requirements of this section.

M1601.5.1 General. The space shall be cleaned of loose combustible materials and scrap, and shall be tightly enclosed. The ground surface of the space shall be covered with a moisture barrier having a thickness of not less than 0.1 mm (4 mils). Plumbing waste cleanouts shall not be located within the space.

Exception: Plumbing waste cleanouts shall be permitted to be located in unvented crawl spaces that receive *conditioned air* in accordance with Section R408.3.

M1601.5.2 Materials. The under-floor space, including the sidewall insulation, shall be formed by materials having flame spread index values not greater than 200 when tested in accordance with ASTM E84 or UL 723.

M1601.5.3 Furnace connections. A duct shall extend

from the furnace supply outlet to not less than 150 mm (6 inches) below the combustible framing. This duct shall comply with the provisions of Section M1601.1. A non-combustible receptacle shall be installed below any floor opening into the plenum in accordance with the following requirements:

1. The receptacle shall be securely suspended from the floor members and shall be not more than 455 mm (18 inches) below the floor opening.
2. The area of the receptacle shall extend 76 mm (3 inches) beyond the opening on all sides.
3. The perimeter of the receptacle shall have a vertical lip not less than 1 inch in height at the open sides.

M1601.5.4 Access. Access to an under-floor plenum shall be provided through a opening in the floor with minimum dimensions of 455 mm by 610 mm (18 inches by 24 inches).

M1601.5.5 Furnace controls. The furnace shall be equipped with an automatic control that will start the air-circulating fan when the air in the furnace bonnet reaches a temperature not higher than 66 °C (150°F). The furnace shall additionally be equipped with an *approved* automatic control that limits the outlet air temperature to 93 °C (200°F).

M1601.6 Independent garage HVAC systems. Furnaces and air-handling systems that supply air to living spaces shall not supply air to or return air from a garage.

SECTION M1602 RETURN AIR

M1602.1 Outdoor air openings. Outdoor intake openings shall be located in accordance with Section R303.5.1. Opening protection shall be in accordance with Section R303.6

M1602.2 Return air openings. Return air openings for heating, ventilation and air-conditioning systems shall comply with all of the following:

1. Openings shall not be located less than 3,050 mm (10 feet) measured in any direction from an open combustion chamber or draft hood of another appliance located in the same room or space.
2. The amount of return air taken from any room or space shall be not greater than the flow rate of supply air delivered to such room or space.
3. Return and transfer openings shall be sized in accordance with the appliance or equipment manufacturer's installation instructions, Manual D or the design of the registered design professional.
4. Return air shall not be taken from a closet, bathroom, toilet room, kitchen, garage, mechanical room, boiler room, furnace room or unconditioned attic.

Exceptions:

1. Taking return air from a kitchen is not prohibited where such return air openings serve the

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kitchen only, and are located not less than 3,050 mm (10 feet) from the cooking appliances.

2. Dedicated forced-air systems serving only the garage shall not be prohibited from obtaining return air from the garage.
5. For other than dedicated HVAC systems, return air shall not be taken from indoor swimming pool enclosures and associated deck areas except where the air in such spaces is dehumidified,
6. Taking return air from an unconditioned crawl space shall not be accomplished through a direct connection to the return side of a forced-air furnace. Transfer openings in the crawl space enclosure shall not be prohibited.
7. Return air from one dwelling unit shall not be discharged into another dwelling unit.

CHAPTER 17

COMBUSTION AIR

User notes:

About this chapter: Chapter 17 applies only to oil-fired and solid fuel-fired appliances. Chapter 24 applies to combustion air for gas-fired appliances.

SECTION M1701 GENERAL

M1701.1 Scope. Solid fuel-burning *appliances* shall be provided with *combustion air* in accordance with the *appliance* manufacturer's installation instructions. Oil-fired *appliances* shall be provided with *combustion air* in accordance with NFPA 31. The methods of providing *combustion air* in this chapter do not apply to fireplaces, fireplace stoves and direct-vent *appliances*. The requirements for combustion and dilution air for gas-fired *appliances* shall be in accordance with Chapter 24.

M1701.2 Opening location. In flood hazard areas as established in Table R301.2(1), *combustion air* openings shall be located at or above the elevation required in Section R322.2.1 or R322.3.2.

CHAPTER 18

CHIMNEYS AND VENTS

User notes:

About this chapter: Chapter 18 addresses chimneys and vents that serve oil- and solid fuel-fired appliances, including wood pellet appliances. Gas-fired appliances are vented in accordance with Chapter 24. Chapter 10 addresses chimneys for fireplaces and masonry and factory-built chimneys in general. Note that chimneys and vents are distinct.

SECTION M1801 GENERAL

M1801.1 Venting required. Fuel-burning *appliances* shall be vented to the outdoors in accordance with their *listing* and *label* and manufacturer's installation instructions except *appliances* listed and *labelled* for unvented use. Venting systems shall consist of *approved* chimneys or vents, or venting assemblies that are integral parts of *labelled appliances*. Gas-fired *appliances* shall be vented in accordance with Chapter 24.

M1801.2 Draft requirements. A venting system shall satisfy the draft requirements of the *appliance* in accordance with the manufacturer's installation instructions, and shall be constructed and installed to develop a positive flow to convey combustion products to the outside atmosphere.

M1801.3 Existing chimneys and vents. Where an *appliance* is permanently disconnected from an existing chimney or vent, or where an *appliance* is connected to an existing chimney or vent during the process of a new installation, the chimney or vent shall comply with Sections M1801.3.1 through M1801.3.4.

M1801.3.1 Size. The chimney or vent shall be resized as necessary to control flue gas condensation in the interior of the chimney or vent and to provide the *appliance*, or *appliances* served, with the required draft. For the venting of oil-fired *appliances* to masonry chimneys, the resizing shall be done in accordance with NFPA 31.

M1801.3.2 Flue passageways. The flue gas passageway shall be free of obstructions and combustible deposits and shall be cleaned if previously used for venting a solid or liquid fuel-burning *appliance* or fireplace. The flue liner, chimney inner wall or vent inner wall shall be continuous and free of cracks, gaps, perforations, or other damage or deterioration that would allow the escape of combustion products, including gases, moisture and creosote.

M1801.3.3 Cleanout. Masonry chimneys shall be provided with a cleanout opening complying with Section R1003.17.

M1801.3.4 Clearances. Chimneys and vents shall have airspace clearance to combustibles in accordance with this

code and the chimney or vent manufacturer's installation instructions.

Exception: Masonry chimneys equipped with a chimney lining system tested and *listed* for installation in chimneys in contact with combustibles in accordance with UL 1777, and installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions, shall not be required to have a clearance between combustible materials and exterior surfaces of the masonry chimney. Noncombustible firestopping shall be provided in accordance with this code.

M1801.4 Space around lining. The space surrounding a flue lining system or other vent installed within a masonry chimney shall not be used to vent any other *appliance*. This shall not prevent the installation of a separate flue lining in accordance with the manufacturer's installation instructions and this code.

M1801.5 Mechanical draft systems. A mechanical draft system shall be used only with *appliances listed* and *labelled* for such use. Provisions shall be made to prevent the flow of fuel to the *equipment* when the draft system is not operating. Forced draft systems and portions of induced draft systems under positive pressure during operation shall be designed and installed to prevent leakage of flue gases into a building.

M1801.6 Direct-vent appliances. Direct-vent *appliances* shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

M1801.7 Support. Venting systems shall be adequately supported for the weight of the material used.

M1801.8 Duct penetrations. Chimneys, vents and vent connectors shall not extend into or through supply and return air ducts or plenums.

M1801.9 Fireblocking. Vent and chimney installations shall be fireblocked in accordance with Section R602.8.

M1801.10 Unused openings. Unused openings in any venting system shall be closed or capped.

M1801.11 Multiple-appliance venting systems. Two or more *listed* and *labelled appliances* connected to a common

natural draft venting system shall comply with the following requirements:

1. *Appliances* that are connected to common venting systems shall be located on the same floor of the *dwelling*.
Exception: Engineered systems as provided for in Section G2427.
2. Inlets to common venting systems shall be offset such that no portion of an inlet is opposite another inlet.
3. Connectors serving *appliances* operating under a natural draft shall not be connected to any portion of a mechanical draft system operating under positive pressure.

M1801.12 Multiple solid fuel prohibited. A solid fuel-burning *appliance* or fireplace shall not connect to a chimney passageway venting another *appliance*.

SECTION M1802 VENT COMPONENTS

M1802.1 Draft hoods. Draft hoods shall be located in the same room or space as the *combustion air* openings for the *appliances*.

M1802.2 Vent dampers. Vent dampers shall comply with Sections M1802.2.1 and M1802.2.2.

M1802.2.1 Manually operated. Manually operated dampers shall not be installed except in connectors or chimneys serving solid fuel-burning *appliances*.

M1802.2.2 Automatically operated. Automatically operated dampers shall conform to UL 17 and be installed in accordance with the terms of their *listing* and *label*. The installation shall prevent firing of the burner when the damper is not opened to a safe position.

M1802.3 Draft regulators. Draft regulators shall be provided for oil-fired *appliances* that shall be connected to a chimney. Draft regulators provided for solid fuel-burning *appliances* to reduce draft intensity shall be installed and set in accordance with the manufacturer's installation instructions.

M1802.3.1 Location. Where required, draft regulators shall be installed in the same room or enclosure as the *appliance* so that a difference in pressure will not exist between the air at the regulator and the *combustion air* supply.

SECTION M1803 CHIMNEY AND VENT CONNECTORS

M1803.1 General. Connectors shall be used to connect fuel-burning *appliances* to a vertical chimney or vent except where the chimney or vent is attached directly to the *appliance*.

M1803.2 Connectors for oil and solid fuel-burning appliances. Connectors for oil and solid fuel-burning *appliances* shall be constructed of factory-built chimney material, Type L vent material or single-wall metal pipe having resistance to

corrosion and heat and thickness not less than that of galvanized steel as specified in Table M1803.2.

**TABLE M1803.2
THICKNESS FOR SINGLE-WALL METAL PIPE CONNECTORS**

DIAMETER OF CONNECTOR (millimeters)	GALVANIZED SHEET METAL GAGE NUMBER	MINIMUM THICKNESS (millimeters)
Less than 150	26	0.475
150 to 255	24	0.600
Over 255 through 405	22	0.725

For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm.

M1803.3 Installation. Vent and chimney connectors shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions and within the space where the *appliance* is located. *Appliances* shall be located as close as practical to the vent or chimney. Connectors shall be as short and straight as possible and installed with a slope of not less than 6.35 mm (¹/₄ inch) rise per foot of run. Connectors shall be securely supported and joints shall be fastened with sheet metal screws or rivets. Devices that obstruct the flow of flue gases shall not be installed in a connector unless *listed* and *labelled* or *approved* for such installation.

M1803.3.1 Floor, ceiling and wall penetrations. A chimney connector or vent connector shall not pass through any floor or ceiling. A chimney connector or vent connector shall not pass through a wall or partition unless the connector is *listed* and *labelled* for wall pass-through, or is routed through a device *listed* and *labelled* for wall pass-through and is installed in accordance with the conditions of its *listing* and *label*. Connectors for oil-fired *appliances listed* and *labelled* for Type L vents, passing through walls or partitions shall be in accordance with the following:

1. Type L vent material for oil *appliances* shall be installed with not less than *listed* and *labelled* clearances to combustible material.
2. Single-wall metal pipe shall be *guarded* by a ventilated metal thimble not less than 100 mm (4 inches) larger in diameter than the vent connector. Not less than 150 mm (6 inches) of clearance shall be maintained between the thimble and combustibles.

M1803.3.2 Length. The horizontal run of an uninsulated connector to a natural draft chimney shall not exceed 75 percent of the height of the vertical portion of the chimney above the connector. The horizontal run of a *listed* connector to a natural draft chimney shall not exceed 100 percent of the height of the vertical portion of the chimney above the connector.

M1803.3.3 Size. A connector shall not be smaller than the flue collar of the *appliance*.

Exception: Where installed in accordance with the *appliance* manufacturer's instructions.

M1803.3.4 Clearance. Connectors shall be installed with clearance to combustibles as set forth in Table M1803.3.4. Reduced clearances to combustible materials shall be in

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accordance with Table M1306.2 and Figure M1306.1.

**TABLE M1803.3.4
CHIMNEY AND VENT CONNECTOR CLEARANCES
TO COMBUSTIBLE MATERIALS^a**

TYPE OF CONNECTOR	MINIMUM CLEARANCE (millimetres)
Single-wall metal pipe connectors: Oil and solid-fuel appliances Oil appliances listed for use with Type L vents	455 230
Type L vent piping connectors: Oil and solid-fuel appliances Oil appliances listed for use with Type L vents	230 76 ^b

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0,03937 inch.

1. These minimum clearances apply to unlisted single-wall chimney and vent connectors. Reduction of required clearances is permitted as in Table M1306.2.
2. Where listed Type L vent piping is used, the clearance shall be in accordance with the vent listing.

M1803.3.5 Access. The entire length of a connector shall allow access for inspection, cleaning and replacement.

M1803.4 Connection to fireplace flue. Connection of *appliances* to chimney flues serving fireplaces shall comply with Sections M1803.4.1 through M1803.4.4.

M1803.4.1 Closure and accessibility. A noncombustible seal shall be provided below the point of connection to prevent entry of room air into the flue. Means shall be provided for access to the flue for inspection and cleaning.

M1803.4.2 Connection to factory-built fireplace flue. A different *appliance* shall not be connected to a flue serving a factory-built fireplace unless the *appliance* is specifically *listed* for such an installation. The connection shall be made in compliance with the *appliance* manufacturer's instructions.

M1803.4.3 Connection to masonry fireplace flue. A connector shall extend from the *appliance* to the flue serving a masonry fireplace to convey the flue gases directly into the flue. The connector shall be provided with access or shall be removable for inspection and cleaning of both the connector and the flue. *Listed* direct-connection devices shall be installed in accordance with their *listing*.

M1803.4.4 Size of flue. The size of the fireplace flue shall be in accordance with Section M1805.3.1.

**SECTION M1804
VENTS**

M1804.1 Type of vent required. *Appliances* shall be provided with a *listed* and *labelled* venting system as set forth in Table M1804.1.

**TABLE M1804.1
VENT SELECTION CHART**

VENT TYPES	APPLIANCE TYPES
Type L oil vents	Oil-burning appliances listed and labelled for venting with Type L vents
Pellet vents	Pellet fuel-burning appliances listed and labelled for use with pellet vents

M1804.2 Termination. Vent termination shall comply with Sections M1804.2.1 through M1804.2.6.

M1804.2.1 Through the roof. Vents passing through a roof shall extend through flashing and terminate in accordance with the manufacturer's installation requirements.

M1804.2.2 Decorative shrouds. Decorative shrouds shall not be installed at the termination of vents except where the shrouds are *listed* and *labelled* for use with the specific venting system and are installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

M1804.2.3 Natural draft appliances. Vents for natural draft *appliances* shall terminate not less than 1,525 mm (5 feet) above the highest connected *appliance* outlet, and natural draft gas vents serving wall furnaces shall terminate at an elevation not less than 3,650 mm (12 feet) above the bottom of the furnace.

M1804.2.4 Type L vent. Type L venting systems shall conform to UL 641 and shall terminate with a *listed* and *labelled* cap in accordance with the vent manufacturer's installation instructions not less than 610 mm (2 feet) above the roof and not less than 610 mm (2 feet) above any portion of the building within 3,050 mm (10 feet).

M1804.2.5 Direct vent terminations. Vent terminals for direct-vent *appliances* shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

M1804.2.6 Mechanical draft systems. Mechanical draft systems shall comply with UL 378 and shall be installed in accordance with their *listing*, the manufacturer's instructions and, except for direct-vent *appliances*, the following requirements:

1. The vent terminal shall be located not less than 915 mm (3 feet) above a forced air inlet located within 3,050 mm (10 feet).
2. The vent terminal shall be located not less than 1,220 mm (4 feet) below, 1,220 mm (4 feet) horizontally from, or 305 mm (1 foot) above any door, window or gravity air inlet into a *dwelling*.
3. The vent termination point shall be located not closer than 915 mm (3 feet) to an interior corner formed by two walls perpendicular to each other.
4. The bottom of the vent terminal shall be located not less than 305 mm (12 inches) above finished ground level.
5. The vent termination shall not be mounted directly above or within 915 mm (3 feet) horizontally of an oil tank vent or gas meter.
6. Power exhauster terminations shall be located not less than 3,050 mm (10 feet) from *lot lines* and adjacent buildings.
7. The discharge shall be directed away from the building.

M1804.3 Installation. Type L and pellet vents shall be installed in accordance with the terms of their *listing* and *label* and the manufacturer's instructions.

M1804.3.1 Size of single-appliance venting systems. An individual vent for a single *appliance* shall have a cross-sectional area equal to or greater than the area of the connector to the *appliance*, but not less than 4.515 mm² (7 square inches) except where the vent is an integral part of a *listed and labelled appliance*.

M1804.4 Door swing. Appliance and equipment vent terminals shall be located such that doors cannot swing within 305 mm (12 inches) horizontally of the vent terminals. Door stops or closers shall not be installed to obtain this clearance.

SECTION M1805 MASONRY AND FACTORY-BUILT CHIMNEYS

M1805.1 General. Masonry and factory-built chimneys shall be built and installed in accordance with Sections R1003 and R1005, respectively. Flue lining for masonry chimneys shall comply with Section R1003.11.

M1805.2 Masonry chimney connection. A chimney connector shall enter a masonry chimney not less than 150 mm (6 inches) above the bottom of the chimney. Where it is not possible to locate the connector entry not less than 150 mm (6 inches) above the bottom of the chimney flue, a cleanout shall be provided by installing a capped tee in the connector next to the chimney. A connector entering a masonry chimney shall extend through, but not beyond, the wall and shall be flush with the inner face of the liner. Connectors, or thimbles where used, shall be firmly cemented into the masonry.

M1805.3 Size of chimney flues. The effective area of a natural draft chimney flue for one *appliance* shall be not less than the area of the connector to the *appliance*. The area of chimney flues connected to more than one *appliance* shall be not less than the area of the largest connector plus 50 percent of the areas of additional chimney connectors.

Exception: Chimney flues serving oil-fired *appliances* sized in accordance with NFPA 31.

M1805.3.1 Size of chimney flue for solid-fuel appliance. Except where otherwise specified in the manufacturer's installation instructions, the cross-sectional area of a flue connected to a solid fuel-burning *appliance* shall be not less than the area of the flue collar or connector, and not larger than three times the area of the flue collar.

CHAPTER 19

SPECIAL APPLIANCES, EQUIPMENT AND SYSTEMS

User notes:

About this chapter: Chapter 19 is specific to appliances and systems that are not related to HVAC, including cooking appliances, sauna heaters, fuel cells and hydrogen systems. Chapter 24 also applies to cooking appliances and sauna heaters.

SECTION M1901 RANGES AND OVENS

M1901.1 Clearances. Freestanding or built-in ranges shall have a vertical clearance above the cooking top of not less than 30 inches (762 mm) to unprotected combustible material. Reduced clearances are permitted in accordance with the *listing* and *labeling* of the range hoods or ovens with integral exhaust.

M1901.2 Cooking appliances. Cooking *appliances* shall be *listed* and *labelled* for household use and shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions. The installation shall not interfere with *combustion air* or access for operation and servicing. Electric cooking appliances shall comply with UL 1026 or UL 858. Solid-fuel-fired fireplace stoves shall comply with UL 737. Microwave ovens shall comply with UL 923.

SECTION M1902 SAUNA HEATERS

M1902.1 Locations and protection. Sauna heaters shall be protected from accidental contact by persons with a guard of material having a low thermal conductivity, such as wood. The guard shall not have a substantial effect on the transfer of heat from the heater to the room.

M1902.2 Installation. Sauna heaters shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions. Sauna heaters shall comply with UL 875.

M1902.3 Combustion air. *Combustion air* and venting for a nondirect vent-type heater shall be provided in accordance with Chapters 17 and 18, respectively.

M1902.4 Controls. Sauna heaters shall be equipped with a thermostat that will limit room temperature to not greater than 90°C (194°F). Where the thermostat is not an integral part of the heater, the heat-sensing element shall be located within 150 mm (6 inches) of the ceiling.

SECTION M1903 STATIONARY FUEL CELL POWER PLANTS

M1903.1 General. Stationary fuel cell power plants having a power output not exceeding 1,000 kW shall comply with ANSI/CSA America FC 1 and shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions and NFPA 853.

SECTION M1904 GASEOUS HYDROGEN SYSTEMS

M1904.1 Installation. Gaseous hydrogen systems shall be installed in accordance with the applicable requirements of Sections M1307.4 and M1903.1, the *Jamaica Fuel Gas Code*, the *Jamaica Fire Code* and the *Jamaica Building Code*.

CHAPTER 20

BOILERS AND WATER HEATERS

User notes:

About this chapter: Chapter 20 is specific to boilers and water heaters. The provisions of this chapter apply to appliances generally without regard to the energy source. Gas-fired boilers and water heaters are also addressed in Chapter 24; therefore, Chapters 20 and 24 both apply to such appliances.

SECTION M2001 BOILERS

M2001.1 Installation. In addition to the requirements of this code, the installation of boilers shall conform to the manufacturer's instructions. The manufacturer's rating data, the nameplate and operating instructions of a permanent type shall be attached to the boiler. Boilers shall have their controls set, adjusted and tested by the installer. A complete control diagram together with complete boiler operating instructions shall be furnished by the installer. Solid and liquid fuel-burning boilers shall be provided with *combustion air* as required by Chapter 17.

M2001.1.1 Standards. Packaged oil-fired boilers shall be *listed* and *labelled* in accordance with UL 726. Packaged electric boilers shall be *listed* and *labelled* in accordance with UL 834. Solid fuel-fired boilers shall be *listed* and *labelled* in accordance with UL 2523. Boilers shall be designed, constructed and certified in accordance with the *ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code*, Section I or IV. Controls and safety devices for boilers with fuel input ratings of 3,663 kW (12,500,000 Btu/hr) or less shall meet the requirements of ASME CSD-1. Gas-fired boilers shall conform to the requirements listed in Chapter 24.

M2001.2 Clearance. Boilers shall be installed in accordance with their *listing* and *label*.

M2001.3 Valves. Every boiler or modular boiler shall have a shutoff valve in the supply and return piping. For multiple boiler or multiple modular boiler installations, each boiler or modular boiler shall have individual shutoff valves in the supply and return piping.

Exception: Shutoff valves are not required in a system having a single low-pressure steam boiler.

M2001.4 Flood-resistant installation. In flood hazard areas established in Table R301.2(1), boilers, water heaters and their control systems shall be located or installed in accordance with Section R322.1.6.

SECTION M2002 OPERATING AND SAFETY CONTROLS

M2002.1 Safety controls. Electrical and mechanical operating and safety controls for boilers shall be *listed* and *labelled*.

M2002.2 Hot water boiler gauges. Every hot water boiler shall have a pressure gauge and a temperature gauge, or combination pressure and temperature gauge. The gauges shall indicate the temperature and pressure within the normal range of the system's operation.

M2002.3 Steam boiler gauges. Every steam boiler shall have a water-gauge glass and a pressure gauge. The pressure gauge shall indicate the pressure within the normal range of the system's operation. The gauge glass shall be installed so that the midpoint is at the normal water level.

M2002.4 Pressure relief valve. Boilers shall be equipped with pressure relief valves with minimum rated capacities for the *equipment* served. Pressure relief valves shall be set at the maximum rating of the boiler. Discharge shall be piped to drains by gravity to within 455 mm (18 inches) of the floor or to an open receptor.

M2002.5 Boiler low-water cutoff. Steam and hot water boilers shall be protected with a low-water cutoff control.

Exception: A low-water cutoff is not required for coil-type and water-tube-type boilers that require forced circulation of water through the boiler and that are protected with a flow-sensing control.

M2002.6 Operation. Low-water cutoff controls and flow-sensing controls required by Section M2002.5 shall automatically stop the combustion operation of the appliance when the water level drops below the lowest safe water level as established by the manufacturer or when the water circulation flow is less than that required for safe operation of the appliance, respectively.

SECTION M2003 EXPANSION TANKS

M2003.1 General. Hot water boilers shall be provided with expansion tanks. Nonpressurized expansion tanks shall be securely fastened to the structure or boiler and supported to carry twice the weight of the tank filled with water. Provisions shall be made for draining nonpressurized tanks without emptying the system.

M2003.1.1 Pressurized expansion tanks. Pressurized expansion tanks shall be consistent with the volume and capacity of the system. Tanks shall be capable of with-

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standing a hydrostatic test pressure of two and one-half times the allowable working pressure of the system.

M2003.2 Minimum capacity. The minimum capacity of expansion tanks shall be determined from Table M2003.2.

**TABLE M2003.2
EXPANSION TANK MINIMUM CAPACITY^a
FOR FORCED HOT-WATER SYSTEMS**

SYSTEM VOLUME ^b (gallons)	PRESSURIZED DIAPHRAGM TYPE	NONPRESSURIZED TYPE
10	1.0	1.5
20	1.5	3.0
30	2.5	4.5
40	3.0	6.0
50	4.0	7.5
60	5.0	9.0
70	6.0	10.5
80	6.5	12.0
90	7.5	13.5
100	8.0	15.0

SYSTEM VOLUME ^b (Liters)	PRESSURIZED DIAPHRAGM TYPE (Liters)	NONPRESSURIZED TYPE (Liters)
38	3.785	5.678
76	5.678	11.355
114	9.463	17.033
152	11.355	22.710
189	15.140	28.388
227	18.925	34.065
265	22.710	39.743
303	24.603	45.420
341	28.388	51.098
379	30.28	56.775

For Inch Pound Units: 1 Liter = 0.2642 gallon, 1 kPa = 0.145 lb/inch² gauge,
°F = [1.8(°C)+32].

1. Based on average water temperature of 93 °C, fill pressure of 82.75 kPa and an operating pressure of not greater than 207 kPa.
2. System volume includes volume of water in boiler, convectors and piping, not including the expansion tank.

SECTION M2004 WATER HEATERS USED FOR SPACE HEATING

M2004.1 General. Water heaters used to supply both potable hot water and hot water for space heating shall be installed in accordance with this chapter, Chapter 24, Chapter 28 and the manufacturer's instructions.

SECTION M2005 WATER HEATERS

M2005.1 General. Water heaters shall be installed in accordance with Chapter 28, the manufacturer's instructions and the requirements of this code. Water heaters installed in an attic shall comply with the requirements of Section M1305.1.2. Gas-fired water heaters shall comply with the requirements in Chapter 24. Domestic electric water heaters

shall comply with UL 174. Oiled-fired water heaters shall comply with UL 732. Solar thermal water heating systems shall comply with Chapter 23 and SRCC 300. Solid fuel-fired water heaters shall comply with UL 2523.

M2005.2 Prohibited locations. Fuel-fired water heaters shall not be installed in a room used as a storage closet. Water heaters located in a bedroom or bathroom shall be installed in a sealed enclosure so that *combustion air* will not be taken from the living space. Installation of direct-vent water heaters within an enclosure is not required.

M2005.2.1 Water heater access. Access to water heaters that are located in an *attic* or underfloor crawl space is permitted to be through a closet located in a sleeping room or bathroom where *ventilation* of those spaces is in accordance with this code.

M2005.3 Electric water heaters. Electric water heaters shall be installed in accordance with the applicable provisions of Chapters 34 through 43.

M2005.4 Supplemental water-heating devices. Potable water-heating devices that use refrigerant-to-water heat exchangers shall be *approved* and installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

SECTION M2006 POOL HEATERS

M2006.1 General. Pool and spa heaters shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's installation instructions. Oil-fired pool heaters shall comply with UL 726. Electric pool and spa heaters shall comply with UL 1261. Pool and spa heat pump water heaters shall comply with UL 1995 or CSA C22.2 No. 236.

Exception: Portable residential spas and portable residential exercise spas shall comply with UL 1563 or CSA C22.2 No. 218.1.

M2006.2 Clearances. The clearances shall not interfere with *combustion air*, draft hood or flue terminal relief, or accessibility for servicing.

M2006.3 Bypass valves. Where an integral bypass system is not provided as a part of the pool heater, a bypass line and valve shall be installed between the inlet and outlet piping for use in adjusting the flow of water through the heater.

CHAPTER 21

HYDRONIC PIPING

User notes:

About this chapter: Chapter 21 is specific to hydronic piping, which includes, steam, hot water and ground-source heat-pump system loop piping. This chapter addresses piping materials, joining methods, support, protection of the structure, testing, protection of potable water and general installation requirements.

SECTION M2101 HYDRONIC PIPING SYSTEMS INSTALLATION

M2101.1 General. Hydronic piping shall conform to Table M2101.1. *Approved* piping, valves, fittings and connections shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer’s instructions. Pipe and fittings shall be rated for use at the operating temperature and pressure of the hydronic system. Used pipe, fittings, valves or other materials shall be free of foreign materials.

M2101.2 System drain down. Hydronic piping systems shall be installed to permit draining of the system. Where the system drains to the plumbing drainage system, the installation shall conform to the requirements of Chapters 25 through 32 of this code.

Exception: The buried portions of systems embedded underground or under floors.

M2101.3 Protection of potable water. The potable water system shall be protected from backflow in accordance with the provisions listed in Section P2902.

M2101.4 Pipe penetrations. Openings through concrete or masonry building elements shall be sleeved.

M2101.5 Contact with building material. A hydronic piping system shall not be in direct contact with any building material that causes the piping material to degrade or corrode.

M2101.6 Drilling and notching. Wood-framed structural members shall be drilled, notched or altered in accordance with the provisions of Sections R502.8, R602.6, R602.6.1 and R802.7. Holes in load-bearing members of cold-formed steel light-frame construction shall be permitted only in accordance with Sections R505.2.6, R603.2.6 and R804.2.6. In accordance with the provisions of Sections R505.3.5, R603.3.4 and R804.3.3, cutting and notching of flanges and lips of load-bearing members of cold-formed steel light-frame construction shall not be permitted. Structural insulated panels (SIPs) shall be drilled and notched or altered in accordance with the provisions of Section R610.7.

M2101.7 Prohibited tee applications. Fluid in the supply side of a hydronic system shall not enter a tee fitting through the branch opening.

M2101.8 Expansion, contraction and settlement. Piping shall be installed so that piping, connections and *equipment* shall not be subjected to excessive strains or stresses. Provisions shall be made to compensate for expansion, contraction, shrinkage and structural settlement.

M2101.9 Piping support. Hangers and supports shall be of material of sufficient strength to support the piping, and shall be fabricated from materials compatible with the piping material. Piping shall be supported at intervals not exceeding the spacing specified in Table M2101.9.

**TABLE M2101.9
HANGER SPACING INTERVALS**

PIPING MATERIAL	MAXIMUM HORIZONTAL SPACING (millimeters)	MAXIMUM VERTICAL SPACING (millimeters)
ABS	1,220	3,050 ^a
CPVC ≤ 25 mm pipe or tubing	915	1,525 ^a
CPVC ≥ 32 mm	1,220	3,050 ^a
Copper or copper-alloy pipe	3,650	3,050
Copper or copper-alloy tubing	1,830	3,050
PB pipe or tubing	815	1,220
PE pipe or tubing	815	1,220
PE-RT ≤ 25 mm	815	3,050 ^a
PE-RT ≥ 32 mm	1,220	3,050 ^a
PEX tubing ≤ 25 mm	815	1,220
PEX tubing ≥ 32 mm	1,220	3050 ^a
PP < 25 mm pipe or tubing	815	1,220
PP > 32 mm	1,220	3,050 ^a
PVC	1,220	3,050 ^a
Steel pipe	3,650	4,575
Steel tubing	2,450	3,050

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot.

- For sizes 51 mm and smaller, a guide shall be installed midway between required vertical supports. Such guides shall prevent pipe movement in a direction perpendicular to the axis of the pipe.

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**TABLE M2101.1
HYDRONIC PIPING AND FITTING MATERIALS**

MATERIAL	USE CODE ^a	STANDARD ^b	JOINTS	NOTES
Acrylonitrile butadiene styrene (ABS) plastic pipe	1, 5	ASTM D1527 ASTM F2806 ASTM F2969	Solvent cement joints	—
Chlorinated poly (vinyl chloride) (CPVC) pipe and tubing	1, 2, 3	ASTM D2846	Solvent cement joints, compression joints and threaded adapters	—
Copper and copper-alloy pipe	1	ASTM B42, B43, B302	Brazed, soldered and mechanical fittings threaded, welded and flanged	—
Copper and copper-alloy tubing (Type K, L or M)	1, 2	ASME B16.51, ASTM B75, B88, B135, B251, B306	Brazed, soldered, press-connected and flared mechanical fittings	Joints embedded in concrete shall be brazed
Cross-linked polyethylene (PEX)	1, 2, 3	ASTM F876	(See PEX fittings)	Install in accordance with manufacturer's instructions
Cross-linked polyethylene/aluminum/cross-linked polyethylene (PEX-AL-PEX) pressure pipe	1, 2	ASTM F1281 or CAN/CSA B137.10	Mechanical, crimp/insert	Install in accordance with manufacturer's instructions
PEX fittings		ASTM F877 ASTM F1807 ASTM F1960 ASTM F2098 ASTM F2159 ASTM F2735	Copper crimp/insert fittings, cold expansion fittings, stainless steel clamp, insert fittings	Install in accordance with manufacturer's instructions
Polybutylene (PB) pipe and tubing	1, 2, 3	ASTM D3309	Heat-fusion, crimp/insert and compression	Joints in concrete shall be heat-fused
Polyethylene/aluminum/polyethylene (PE-AL-PE) pressure pipe	1, 2, 3	ASTM F1282 CSA B 137.9	Mechanical, crimp/insert	—
Polypropylene (PP)	1, 2, 3	ISO 15874 ASTM F2389	Heat-fusion joints, mechanical fittings, threaded adapters, compression joints	—
Raised temperature polyethylene (PE-RT)	1, 2, 3	ASTM F2623 ASTM F2769, CSA B137.18	Copper crimp/insert fitting, stainless steel clamp, insert fittings	—
Raised temperature polyethylene (PE-RT) fittings	1, 2,3	ASTM D3261 ASTM F1807 ASTM F2098 ASTM F2159 ASTM F2735 ASTM F2769 CSA B137.18	Copper crimp/insert fitting, stainless steel clamp, insert fittings	—
Steel pipe	1, 2	ASTM A53 ASTM A106	Brazed, welded, threaded, flanged and mechanical fittings	Joints in concrete shall be welded. Galvanized pipe shall not be welded or brazed.
Steel tubing	1	ASTM A254	Mechanical fittings, welded	—

For Inch Pound Units: °F = [1.8(°C)+ 32].

1. Use code:
 1. Above ground.
 2. Embedded in radiant systems.
 3. Temperatures below 82 °C only.
 4. Low temperature (below 54 °C) applications only.
 5. Temperatures below 71 °C only.
2. Standards as listed in Chapter 44.

M2101.10 Tests. Hydronic piping systems shall be tested hydrostatically at a pressure of one and one-half times the maximum system design pressure, but not less than 689 kPa (100 pounds per square inch). The duration of each test shall be not less than 15 minutes.

Exception: For PEX piping systems, testing with a compressed gas shall be an alternative to hydrostatic testing where compressed air or other gas pressure testing is specifically authorized by all of the manufacturers' instructions for the PEX pipe and fittings products installed at the time the system is being tested, and compressed air or other gas testing is not otherwise prohibited by applicable codes, laws, or regulations outside of this code.

SECTION M2102 BASEBOARD CONVECTORS

M2102.1 General. Baseboard convectors shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions. Convectors shall be supported independently of the hydronic piping.

SECTION M2103 FLOOR HEATING SYSTEMS

M2103.1 Piping materials. Piping for embedment in concrete or gypsum materials shall be standard-weight steel pipe, copper and copper-alloy pipe and tubing, cross-linked polyethylene/aluminum/cross-linked polyethylene (PEX-AL-PEX) pressure pipe, chlorinated polyvinyl chloride (CPVC), polybutylene, cross-linked polyethylene (PEX) tubing, polyethylene of raised temperature (PE-RT) or polypropylene (PP) with a rating of not less than 690 kPa at 82°C (100 psi at 180°F).

M2103.2 Thermal barrier required. Radiant floor heating systems shall have a thermal barrier in accordance with Sections M2103.2.1 and M2103.2.2. Insulation *R*-values for slab-on-grade and suspended floor installations shall be in accordance with Chapter 11.

Exception: Insulation shall not be required in engineered systems where it can be demonstrated that the insulation will decrease the efficiency or have a negative effect on the installation.

M2103.2.1 Thermal break required. A thermal break consisting of asphalt expansion joint materials or similar insulating materials shall be provided at a point where a heated slab meets a foundation wall or other conductive slab.

M2103.2.2 Thermal barrier material marking. Insulating materials used in thermal barriers shall be installed so that the manufacturer's *R*-value mark is readily observable upon inspection.

M2103.3 Piping joints. Copper and copper-alloy systems shall be soldered, brazed, or press connected. Soldering shall be in accordance with ASTM B828. Fluxes for soldering shall be in accordance with ASTM B813. Brazing fluxes shall be in accordance with AWS A5.31. Press-connect joints shall be in accordance with ASME B16.51. Piping joints that are embedded shall be installed in accordance with the following requirements:

1. Steel pipe joints shall be welded.
2. Copper tubing shall be joined by brazing complying with Section P3003.6.1.
3. Polybutylene pipe and tubing joints shall be installed with socket-type heat-fused polybutylene fittings.
4. CPVC tubing shall be joined using solvent cement joints.
5. Polypropylene pipe and tubing joints shall be installed with socket-type heat-fused polypropylene fittings.
6. Cross-linked polyethylene (PEX) tubing shall be joined using cold expansion, insert or compression fittings.
7. Raised temperature polyethylene (PE-RT) tubing shall be joined using insert or compression fittings.

M2103.4 Testing. Piping or tubing to be embedded shall be tested by applying a hydrostatic pressure of not less than 690 kPa (100 psi). The pressure shall be maintained for 30 minutes, during which the joints shall be visually inspected for leaks.

SECTION M2104 LOW TEMPERATURE PIPING

M2104.1 Piping materials. Low temperature piping for embedment in concrete or gypsum materials shall be as indicated in Table M2101.1.

M2104.2 Piping joints. Piping joints that are embedded, other than those in Section M2103.3, shall comply with the following requirements:

1. Cross-linked polyethylene (PEX) tubing shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.
2. Polyethylene tubing shall be installed with heat-fusion joints.
3. Polypropylene (PP) tubing shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.
4. Raised temperature polyethylene (PE-RT) shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

M2104.3 Raised temperature polyethylene (PE-RT) plastic tubing. Joints between raised temperature polyethylene tubing and fittings shall conform to Sections M2104.3.1 through M2104.3.3. Mechanical joints shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

M2104.3.1 Compression-type fittings. Where compression-type fittings include inserts and ferrules or O-rings, the fittings shall be installed without omitting such inserts and ferrules or O-rings.

M2104.3.2 PE-RT-to-metal connections. Solder joints in a metal pipe shall not occur within 455 mm (18 inches) of a transition from such metal pipe to PE-RT pipe.

M2104.3.3 PE-RT insert fittings. PE-RT insert fittings shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

M2104.4 Polyethylene/aluminum/polyethylene (PE-AL- PE) pressure pipe. Joints between polyethylene/aluminum/

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polyethylene pressure pipe and fittings shall conform to Sections M2104.4.1 and M2104.4.2. Mechanical joints shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

M2104.4.1 Compression-type fittings. Where compression-type fittings include inserts and ferrules or O-rings, the fittings shall be installed without omitting such inserts and ferrules or O-rings.

M2104.4.2 PE-AL-PE-to-metal connections. Solder joints in a metal pipe shall not occur within 455 mm (18 inches) of a transition from such metal pipe to PE-AL-PE pipe.

SECTION M2105 GROUND-SOURCE HEAT-PUMP SYSTEM LOOP PIPING

M2105.1 Plastic ground-source heat-pump loop piping. Plastic piping and tubing material used in water-based ground-source heat-pump ground-loop systems shall conform to the standards specified in this section.

M2105.2 Used materials. Reused pipe, fittings, valves, and other materials shall not be used in ground-source heat-pump loop systems.

M2105.3 Material rating. Pipe and tubing shall be rated for the operating temperature and pressure of the ground-source heat-pump loop system. Fittings shall be suitable for the pressure applications and recommended by the manufacturer for installation with the pipe and tubing material installed. Where used underground, materials shall be suitable for burial.

M2105.4 Piping and tubing materials standards. Ground-source heat-pump ground-loop pipe and tubing shall conform to the standards listed in Table M2105.4.

M2105.5 Fittings. Ground-source heat-pump pipe fittings shall be approved for installation with the piping materials to be installed, shall conform to the standards listed in Table M2105.5 and, where installed underground, shall be suitable for burial.

M2105.6 Joints and connections. Joints and connections shall be of an approved type. Joints and connections shall be tight for the pressure of the ground-source loop system. Joints used underground shall be approved for such applications.

M2105.6.1 Joints between different piping materials. Joints between different piping materials shall be made with approved transition fittings.

M2105.7 Preparation of pipe ends. Pipe shall be cutsquare, reamed, and shall be free of burrs and obstructions. CPVC,

**TABLE M2105.4
GROUND-SOURCE LOOP PIPE**

MATERIAL	STANDARD
Chlorinated polyvinyl chloride (CPVC)	ASTM D2846; ASTM F437; ASTM F438; ASTM F439; ASTM F441; ASTM F442; CSA B137.6
Cross-linked polyethylene (PEX)	ASTM F876; CSA B137.5
High-density polyethylene (HDPE)	ASTM D2737; ASTM D3035; ASTM F714; AWWA C901; CSA B137.1; CSA C448; NSF 358-1
Polyethylene/aluminum/polyethylene (PE-AL-PE) pressure pipe	ASTM F1282; AWWA C 903; CSA B137.9
Polypropylene (PP-R)	ASTM F2389; CSA B137.11, NSF 358-2
Polyvinyl chloride (PVC)	ASTM D1785; ASTM D2241; CSA 137.3
Raised temperature polyethylene (PE-RT)	ASTM F2623; ASTM F2769, CSA B137.18

**TABLE M2105.5
GROUND-SOURCE LOOP PIPE FITTINGS**

PIPE MATERIAL	STANDARD
Chlorinated polyvinyl chloride (CPVC)	ASTM D2846; ASTM F437; ASTM F438; ASTM F439; ASTM F1970; CSA B137.6
Cross-linked polyethylene (PEX)	ASTM F877; ASTM F1807; ASTM F1960; ASTM F2080; ASTM F2159; ASTM F2434; CSA B137.5
High-density polyethylene (HDPE)	ASTM D2683; ASTM D3261; ASTM F1055; CSA B137.1; CSA C448; NSF 358-1
Polyethylene/aluminum/polyethylene (PE-AL-PE)	ASTM F1282; ASTM F2434; CSA B137.9
Polypropylene (PP-R)	ASTM F2389; CSA B137.11; NSF 358-2
Polyvinyl chloride (PVC)	ASTM D2464; ASTM D2466; ASTM D2467; ASTM F1970, CSA B137.2; CSA B137.3
Raised temperature polyethylene (PE-RT)	ASTM D2683; ASTM D3261; ASTM F1055; ASTM F1807; ASTM F2098; ASTM F2159; ASTM F2735; ASTM F2769; CSA B137.1; CSA B137.18

PE and PVC pipe shall be chamfered. Pipe ends shall have full-bore openings and shall not be undercut.

M2105.8 Joint preparation and installation. Where required by Sections M2105.9 through M2105.11, the preparation and installation of mechanical and thermoplastic-welded joints shall comply with Sections M2105.8.1 and M2105.8.2.

M2105.8.1 Mechanical joints. Mechanical joints shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

M2105.8.2 Thermoplastic-welded joints. Joint surfaces for thermoplastic-welded joints shall be cleaned by an approved procedure. Joints shall be welded in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

M2105.9 CPVC plastic pipe. Joints between CPVC plastic pipe or fittings shall be solvent-cemented in accordance with Section P2906.9.1.2. Threaded joints between fittings and CPVC plastic pipe shall be in accordance with Section M2105.9.1.

M2105.9.1 Threaded joints. Threads shall conform to ASME B1.20.1. The pipe shall be Schedule 80 or heavier plastic pipe and shall be threaded with dies specifically designed for plastic pipe. Thread lubricant, pipe-joint compound or tape shall be applied on the male threads only and shall be approved for application on the piping material.

M2105.10 Cross-linked polyethylene (PEX) plastic tubing. Joints between cross-linked polyethylene plastic tubing and fittings shall comply with Sections M2105.10.1 and M2105.10.2. Mechanical joints shall comply with Section M2105.8.1.

M2105.10.1 Compression-type fittings. Where compression-type fittings include inserts and ferrules or O-rings, the fittings shall be installed without omitting the inserts and ferrules or O-rings.

M2105.10.2 Plastic-to-metal connections. Solder joints in a metal pipe shall not occur within 455 mm (18 inches) of a transition from such metal pipe to plastic pipe or tubing.

M2105.11 Polyethylene plastic pipe and tubing. Joints between polyethylene plastic pipe and tubing or fittings for ground-source heat-pump loop systems shall be heat-fusion joints complying with Section M2105.11.1, electrofusion joints complying with Section M2105.11.2, or stab-type insertion joints complying with Section M2105.11.3.

M2105.11.1 Heat-fusion joints. Joints shall be of the socket-fusion, saddle-fusion or butt-fusion type, and joined in accordance with ASTM D2657. Joint surfaces shall be clean and free from moisture. Joint surfaces shall be heated to melt temperatures and joined. The joint shall remain undisturbed until cool. Fittings shall be manufactured in accordance with ASTM D2683 or ASTM D3261.

M2105.11.2 Electrofusion joints. Joints shall be of the electrofusion type. Joint surfaces shall be clean and free from moisture, and scoured to expose virgin resin. Joint surfaces shall be heated to melt temperatures for the period of time specified by the manufacturer. The joint shall

remain undisturbed until cool. Fittings shall be manufactured in accordance with ASTM F1055.

M2105.11.3 Stab-type insert fittings. Joint surfaces shall be clean and free from moisture. Pipe ends shall be chamfered and inserted into the fittings to full depth. Fittings shall be manufactured in accordance with ASTM F1924.

M2105.12 Polypropylene (PP) plastic. Joints between PP plastic pipe and fittings shall comply with Sections M2105.12.1 and M2105.12.2.

M2105.12.1 Heat-fusion joints. Heat-fusion joints for polypropylene (PP) pipe and tubing joints shall be installed with socket-type heat-fused polypropylene fittings, electrofusion polypropylene fittings or by butt fusion. Joint surfaces shall be clean and free from moisture. The joint shall remain undisturbed until cool. Joints shall be made in accordance with ASTM F2389.

M2105.12.2 Mechanical and compression sleeve joints. Mechanical and compression sleeve joints shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

M2105.13 Raised temperature polyethylene (PE-RT) plastic tubing. Joints between raised temperature polyethylene tubing and fittings shall comply with Sections M2105.13.1 through M2105.13.4. Mechanical joints shall comply with Section M2105.8.1.

M2105.13.1 Compression-type fittings. Where compression-type fittings include inserts and ferrules or O-rings, the fittings shall be installed without omitting the inserts and ferrules or O-rings.

M2105.13.2 PE-RT-to-metal connections. Solder joints in a metal pipe shall not occur within 455 mm (18 inches) of a transition from such metal pipe to PE-RT pipe or tubing.

M2105.13.3 Heat-fusion joints. Heat-fusion joints shall be of the socket-fusion, saddle-fusion or butt-fusion type, and shall be joined in accordance with ASTM D2657. Joint surfaces shall be clean and free from moisture. Joint surfaces shall be heated to melt temperatures and joined. The joint shall remain undisturbed until cool. Fittings shall be manufactured in accordance with ASTM D2683 or ASTM D3261.

M2105.13.4 Electrofusion joints. Joints shall be of the electrofusion type. Joint surfaces shall be clean and free from moisture and scoured to expose virgin resin. Joint surfaces shall be heated to melt temperatures for the period of time specified by the manufacturer and joined. The joint shall remain undisturbed until cool. Fittings shall be manufactured in accordance with ASTM F1055.

M2105.14 PVC plastic pipe. Joints between PVC plastic pipe or fittings shall be solvent-cemented in accordance with Section P2906.9.1.4. Threaded joints between fittings and PVC plastic pipe shall be in accordance with Section M2105.9.1.

M2105.15 Shutoff valves. Shutoff valves shall be installed in ground-source loop piping systems in the locations indicated in Sections M2105.15.1 through M2105.15.6.

M2105.15.1 Heat exchangers. Shutoff valves shall be installed on the supply and return side of a heat exchanger.

Exception: Shutoff valves shall not be required where heat exchangers are integral with a boiler or are a component of a manufacturer's boiler and heat exchanger packaged unit and are capable of being isolated from the hydronic system by the supply and return valves required by Section M2001.3.

M2105.15.2 Central systems. Shutoff valves shall be installed on the building supply and return of a central utility system.

M2105.15.3 Pressure vessels. Shutoff valves shall be installed on the connection to any pressure vessel.

M2105.15.4 Pressure-reducing valves. Shutoff valves shall be installed on both sides of a pressure-reducing valve.

M2105.15.5 Equipment and appliances. Shutoff valves shall be installed on connections to mechanical equipment and appliances. This requirement does not apply to components of ground-source loop systems such as pumps, air separators, metering devices, and similar equipment.

M2105.15.6 Expansion tanks. Shutoff valves shall be installed at connections to nondiaphragm-type expansion tanks.

M2105.16 Reduced pressure. A pressure relief valve shall be installed on the low-pressure side of a hydronic piping system that has been reduced in pressure. The relief valve shall be set at the maximum pressure of the system design. The valve shall be installed in accordance with Section M2002.

M2105.17 Installation. Piping, valves, fittings, and connections shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

M2105.18 Protection of potable water. Where ground-source heat-pump ground-loop systems have a connection to a potable water supply, the potable water system shall be protected from backflow in accordance with Section P2902.

M2105.19 Pipe penetrations. Openings for pipe penetrations in walls, floors and ceilings shall be larger than the penetrating pipe. Openings through concrete or masonry building elements shall be sleeved. The annular space surrounding pipe penetrations shall be protected in accordance with Section P2606.1.

M2105.20 Clearance from combustibles. A pipe in a ground-source heat pump piping system having an exterior surface temperature exceeding 121 °C (250°F) shall have a clearance of not less than 25 mm (1 inch) from combustible materials.

M2105.21 Contact with building material. A ground-source heat-pump ground-loop piping system shall not be in direct contact with building materials that cause the piping or fitting material to degrade or corrode, or that interfere with the operation of the system.

M2105.22 Strains and stresses. Piping shall be installed so as to prevent detrimental strains and stresses in the pipe. Provisions shall be made to protect piping from damage resulting from expansion, contraction and structural settlement. Piping

shall be installed so as to avoid structural stresses or strains within building components.

M2105.22.1 Flood hazard. Piping located in a flood hazard area shall be capable of resisting hydrostatic and hydrodynamic loads and stresses, including the effects of buoyancy, during the occurrence of flooding to the *design flood elevation*.

M2105.23 Pipe support. Pipe shall be supported in accordance with Section M2101.9.

M2105.24 Velocities. Ground-source heat-pump ground-loop systems shall be designed so that the flow velocities do not exceed the maximum flow velocity recommended by the pipe and fittings manufacturer. Flow velocities shall be controlled to reduce the possibility of water hammer.

M2105.25 Labeling and marking. Ground-source heat-pump ground-loop system piping shall be marked with tape, metal tags or other methods where it enters a building. The marking shall state the following words: "GROUND-SOURCE HEAT-PUMP LOOP SYSTEM." The marking shall indicate if antifreeze is used in the system and shall indicate the chemicals by name and concentration.

M2105.26 Chemical compatibility. Antifreeze and other materials used in the system shall be chemically compatible with the pipe, tubing, fittings and mechanical systems.

M2105.27 Makeup water. The transfer fluid shall be compatible with the makeup water supplied to the system.

M2105.28 Testing. Before connection header trenches are backfilled, the assembled loop system shall be pressure tested with water at 689 kPa (100 psi) for 15 minutes without observed leaks. Flow and pressure loss testing shall be performed and the actual flow rates and pressure drops shall be compared to the calculated design values. If actual flow rate or pressure drop values differ from calculated design values by more than 10 percent, the cause shall be identified and corrective action taken.

M2105.29 Embedded piping. Ground-source heat-pump ground-loop piping to be embedded in concrete shall be pressure tested prior to pouring concrete. During pouring, the pipe shall be maintained at the proposed operating pressure.

CHAPTER 22

SPECIAL PIPING AND STORAGE SYSTEMS

User notes:

About this chapter: Chapter 22 addresses fuel oil piping and storage related to oil-fired heating appliances. Materials, joining methods, tanks, pumps, valves and installation of such are covered.

SECTION M2201 OIL TANKS

M2201.1 Materials. Supply tanks shall be *listed* and *labelled* and shall conform to UL 58 for underground tanks and UL 80 for indoor tanks.

M2201.2 Above-ground tanks. The maximum amount of fuel oil stored above ground or inside of a building shall be 2,490 L (660 gallons). The supply tank shall be supported on rigid noncombustible supports to prevent settling or shifting.

Exception: The storage of fuel oil, used for space or water heating, above ground or inside buildings in quantities exceeding 2,498 L (660 gallons) shall comply with NFPA 31.

M2201.2.1 Tanks within buildings. Supply tanks for use inside of buildings shall be of such size and shape to permit installation and removal from *dwelling*s as whole units. Supply tanks larger than 38 L (10 gallons) shall be placed not less than 1,525 mm (5 feet) from any fire or flame either within or external to any fuel-burning *appliance*.

M2201.2.2 Outdoor above-ground tanks. Tanks installed outdoors, above ground shall be not less than 1,525 mm (5 feet) from an adjoining property line. Such tanks shall be suitably protected from the weather and from physical damage.

M2201.3 Underground tanks. Excavations for underground tanks shall not undermine the foundations of existing structures. The clearance from the tank to the nearest wall of a *basement*, pit or property line shall be not less than 305 mm (1 foot). Tanks shall be set on and surrounded with noncorrosive inert materials such as clean earth, sand or gravel well-tamped in place. Tanks shall be covered with not less than 305 mm (1 foot) of earth. Corrosion protection shall be provided in accordance with Section M2203.7.

M2201.4 Multiple tanks. Cross connection of two supply tanks shall be permitted in accordance with Section M2203.6.

M2201.5 Oil gauges. Inside tanks shall be provided with a device to indicate when the oil in the tank has reached a predetermined safe level. Glass gauges or a gauge subject to breakage that could result in the escape of oil from the tank shall not be used. Liquid-level indicating gauges shall comply with UL 180.

M2201.6 Flood-resistant installation. In flood hazard areas as established by Table R301.2(1), tanks shall be installed in accordance with Section R322.2.4 or R322.3.10.

M2201.7 Tanks abandoned or removed. Outdoor above-grade fill piping shall be removed when tanks are abandoned or removed. Tank abandonment and removal shall be in accordance with the *Jamaica Fire Code*.

SECTION M2202 OIL PIPING, FITTING AND CONNECTIONS

M2202.1 Materials. Piping shall consist of steel pipe, copper and copper-alloy pipe and tubing or steel tubing conforming to ASTM A539. Aluminum tubing shall not be used between the fuel-oil tank and the burner units.

M2202.2 Joints and fittings. Piping shall be connected with standard fittings compatible with the piping material. Cast-iron fittings shall not be used for oil piping. Unions requiring gaskets or packings, right or left couplings, and sweat fittings employing solder having a melting point less than 538 °C (1,000°F) shall not be used for oil piping. Threaded joints and connections shall be made tight with a lubricant or pipe thread compound.

M2202.3 Flexible connectors. Flexible metallic hoses shall be *listed* and *labelled* in accordance with UL 536 and shall be installed in accordance with their *listing* and *labeling* and the manufacturer's installation instructions. Connectors made from combustible materials shall not be used inside of buildings or above ground outside of buildings.

SECTION M2203 INSTALLATION

M2203.1 General. Piping shall be installed in a manner to avoid placing stresses on the piping, and to accommodate expansion and contraction of the piping system.

M2203.2 Supply piping. Supply piping used in the installation of oil burners and *appliances* shall be not smaller than 9.5 mm (³/₈-inch) pipe or 9.5 mm (³/₈-inch) outside diameter tubing. Copper tubing and fittings shall be Type L or heavier.

M2203.3 Fill piping. Fill piping shall terminate outside of buildings at a point not less than 610 mm (2 feet) from any

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building opening at the same or lower level. Fill openings shall be equipped with a tight metal cover.

M2203.4 Vent piping. Vent piping shall be not smaller than 32 mm (1¹/₄-inch) pipe. Vent piping shall be laid to drain toward the tank without sags or traps in which the liquid can collect. Vent pipes shall not be cross connected with fill pipes, lines from burners or overflow lines from auxiliary tanks. The lower end of a vent pipe shall enter the tank through the top and shall extend into the tank not more than 25 mm (1 inch).

M2203.5 Vent termination. Vent piping shall terminate outside of buildings at a point not less than 610 mm (2 feet), measured vertically or horizontally, from any building opening. Outer ends of vent piping shall terminate in a weather-proof cap or fitting having an unobstructed area equal to or greater than the cross-sectional area of the vent pipe, and shall be located sufficiently above the ground to avoid being obstructed by snow and ice.

M2203.6 Cross connection of tanks. Cross connection of two supply tanks, not exceeding 2,498 L (660 gallons) aggregate capacity, with gravity flow from one tank to another, shall be acceptable providing that the two tanks are on the same horizontal plane.

M2203.7 Corrosion protection. Underground tanks and buried piping shall be protected by corrosion-resistant coatings or special alloys or fiberglass-reinforced plastic.

SECTION M2204 OIL PUMPS AND VALVES

M2204.1 Pumps. Oil pumps shall be positive displacement types that automatically shut off the oil supply when stopped. Automatic pumps shall be *listed* and *labelled* in accordance with UL 343 and shall be installed in accordance with their *listing*.

M2204.2 Shutoff valves. A manual shutoff valve shall be installed between the oil supply tank and the burner. Such valve shall be provided with ready access. Where the shutoff valve is installed in the discharge line of an oil pump, a pressure relief valve shall be incorporated to bypass or return surplus oil. Valves shall comply with UL 842.

M2204.3 Maximum pressure. Pressure at the oil supply inlet to an *appliance* shall be not greater than 20.7 kPa (3 pounds per square inch).

M2204.4 Relief valves. Fuel-oil lines incorporating heaters shall be provided with relief valves that will discharge to a return line when excess pressure exists.

CHAPTER 23

SOLAR THERMAL ENERGY SYSTEMS

User notes:

About this chapter: Chapter 23 is specific to thermal solar systems and equipment. Solar voltaic systems are not addressed in this chapter. This chapter covers solar collectors, system design, safety devices, relief valves, freeze protection, expansion tanks, signage, labeling, heat transfer fluids, protection of potable water and potable water heating.

SECTION M2301

SOLAR THERMAL ENERGY SYSTEMS

M2301.1 General. This section provides for the design, construction, installation, *alteration* and repair of *equipment* and systems using solar thermal energy to provide space heating or cooling, hot water heating and swimming pool heating.

M2301.2 Design and installation. The design and installation of solar thermal energy systems shall comply with Sections M2301.2.1 through M2301.2.13.

M2301.2.1 Access. Access shall be provided to solar energy *equipment* for maintenance. Solar systems and appurtenances shall not obstruct or interfere with the operation of any doors, windows or other building components requiring operation or access. Roof-mounted solar thermal equipment shall not obstruct or interfere with the operation of roof-mounted equipment, appliances, chimneys, plumbing vents, roof hatches, smoke vents, skylights and other roof penetrations and openings.

M2301.2.2 Collectors and panels. Solar collectors and panels shall comply with Sections M2301.2.2.1 and M2301.2.2.2.

M2301.2.2.1 Roof-mounted collectors. The roof shall be constructed to support the loads imposed by roof-mounted solar collectors and the water and/or liquid used for collecting the heat produced by the collectors as well as any hot water storage tanks. Roof-mounted solar collectors that serve as a roof covering shall conform to the requirements for roof coverings in Chapter 9 of this code. Where mounted on or above the roof coverings, the collectors and supporting structure shall be constructed of noncombustible materials which will hold the collectors in place indefinitely in winds of 240 kilometer per hour (150 mph).

M2301.2.2.2 Collector sensors. Collector sensor installation, sensor location and the protection of exposed sensor wires from degradation shall be in accordance with ICC 900/SRCC 300.

M2301.2.3 Pressure and temperature relief valves and system components. System components containing fluids shall be protected with temperature and pressure relief valves or pressure relief valves. Relief devices shall be installed in sections of the system so that a section cannot be valved off or isolated from a relief device. Direct systems and the potable water portion of indirect systems

shall be equipped with a relief valve in accordance with Section P2804. For indirect systems, pressure relief valves in solar loops shall comply with ICC 900/SRCC 300. System components shall have a working pressure rating of not less than the setting of the pressure relief device.

M2301.2.4 Vacuum relief. System components that might be subjected to a vacuum during operation or shutdown shall be designed to withstand such a vacuum or shall be protected with vacuum relief valves.

M2301.2.5 Piping insulation. Piping shall be insulated in accordance with the requirements of Chapter 11. Exterior insulation shall be protected from ultraviolet degradation. The entire solar loop shall be insulated. Where split-style insulation is used, the seam shall be sealed. Fittings shall be fully insulated.

Exceptions:

1. Those portions of the piping that are used to help prevent the system from overheating shall not be required to be insulated.
2. Those portions of piping that are exposed to solar radiation, made of the same material as the solar collector absorber plate and are covered in the same manner as the solar collector absorber, or that are used to collect additional solar energy, shall not be required to be insulated.
3. Piping in thermal solar systems using unglazed solar collectors to heat a swimming pool shall not be required to be insulated.

M2301.2.6 Protection from freezing. System components shall be protected from damage resulting from freezing of heat-transfer liquids at the winter design temperature provided in Table R301.2(1). Freeze protection shall be provided in accordance with ICC 900/SRCC 300. Drain-back systems shall be installed in compliance with Section M2301.2.6.1. Systems utilizing freeze-protection valves shall comply with Section M2301.2.6.2.

Exception: Where the 97.5-percent winter design temperature is greater than or equal to 9 °C (48°F).

M2301.2.6.1 Drain-back systems. Drain-back systems shall be designed and installed to allow for manual gravity draining of fluids from areas subject to freezing to locations not subject to freezing, and air filling of the

components and piping. Such piping and components shall maintain a horizontal slope in the direction of flow of not less than one-fourth unit vertical in 12 units horizontal (2-percent slope). Piping and components subject to manual gravity draining shall permit subsequent air filling upon drainage and air venting upon refilling.

M2301.2.6.2 Freeze-protection valves. Freeze-protection valves shall discharge in a manner that does not create a hazard or structural damage.

M2301.2.7 Storage tank sensors. Storage tank sensors shall comply with ICC 900/SRCC 300.

M2301.2.8 Expansion tanks. Expansion tanks in solar energy systems shall be installed in accordance with Section M2003 in solar collector loops that contain pressurized heat transfer fluid. Where expansion tanks are used, the system shall be designed in accordance with ICC 900/SRCC 300 to provide an expansion tank that is sized to withstand the maximum operating pressure of the system.

Exception: Expansion tanks shall not be required in the collector loop of *drain-back systems*.

M2301.2.9 Roof and wall penetrations. Roof and wall penetrations shall be flashed and sealed in accordance with Chapter 9 to prevent entry of water, rodents and insects.

M2301.2.10 Description and warning labels. Solar thermal systems shall comply with description label and warning label requirements of Section M2301.2.11.2 and ICC 900/SRCC 300.

M2301.2.11 Solar loop. Solar loops shall be in accordance with Sections M2301.2.11.1 and M2301.2.11.2.

M2301.2.11.1 Solar loop isolation. Valves shall be installed to allow the solar loop to be isolated from the remainder of the system.

M2301.2.11.2 Drain and fill valve labels and caps. Drain and fill valves shall be labelled with a description and warning that identifies the fluid in the solar loop and a warning that the fluid might be discharged at high temperature and pressure. Drain caps shall be installed at drain and fill valves.

M2301.2.12 Maximum temperature limitation. Systems shall be equipped with means to limit the maximum water temperature of the system fluid entering or exchanging heat with any pressurized vessel inside the *dwelling* to 82 °C (180°F). This protection is in addition to the required temperature and pressure relief valves required by Section M2301.2.3.

M2301.2.13 Thermal storage unit seismic bracing. In Seismic Design Categories D₁ and D₂ including townhouses, thermal storage units shall be anchored in accordance with Section M1307.2.

M2301.3 Labeling. *Labeling* shall comply with Sections M2301.3.1 and M2301.3.2.

M2301.3.1 Collectors and panels. Solar thermal collectors and panels shall be listed and labelled in accordance with ICC 901/SRCC 100. Factory-built collectors shall bear a label indicating the manufacturer's name, model number and serial number.

M2301.3.2 Thermal storage units. Pressurized water storage tanks shall bear a label indicating the manufacturer's name and address, model number, serial number, storage unit maximum and minimum allowable operating temperatures and storage unit maximum and minimum allowable operating pressures. The *label* shall clarify that these specifications apply only to the water storage tanks.

M2301.4 Heat transfer gases or liquids and heat exchangers. *Essentially toxic transfer fluids*, ethylene glycol, flammable gases and flammable liquids shall not be used as heat transfer fluids. Heat transfer gases and liquids shall be rated to withstand the system's maximum design temperature under operating conditions without degradation. Heat exchangers used in solar thermal systems shall comply with Section P2902.5.2 and ICC 900/SRCC 300.

Heat transfer fluids shall be in accordance with SRCC 300. The flash point of the heat transfer fluids utilized in solar thermal systems shall be not less than 28 °C (50°F) above the design maximum nonoperating or no-flow temperature attained by the fluid in the collector.

M2301.5 Backflow protection. Connections from the potable water supply to solar systems shall comply with Section P2902.5.5.

M2301.6 Filtering. Air provided to occupied spaces that passes through thermal mass storage systems by mechanical means shall be filtered for particulates at the outlet of the thermal mass storage system.

M2301.7 Solar thermal systems for heating potable water. Where a solar thermal system heats potable water to supply a potable hot water distribution system, the solar thermal system shall be in accordance with Sections M2301.7.1, M2301.7.2 and P2902.5.5.

M2301.7.1 Indirect systems. Heat exchangers that are components of indirect solar thermal heating systems shall comply with Section P2902.5.2.

M2301.7.2 Direct systems. Where potable water is directly heated by a solar thermal system, the pipe, fittings, valves and other components that are in contact with the potable water in the solar heating system shall comply with the requirements of Chapter 29.

Part VI—Fuel Gas

CHAPTER 24 FUEL GAS

The text of this chapter is extracted from the 2018 edition of the Jamaica Fuel Gas Code and has been modified where necessary to conform to the scope of application of the Jamaica Residential Code for One- and Two-Family Dwellings. The section numbers appearing in parentheses after each section number are the section numbers of the corresponding text in the Jamaica Fuel Gas Code.

User notes:

About this chapter: Chapter 24 addresses fuel gas piping, appliances, combustion air, appliance venting and specific appliances, among other subjects. Note that Chapter 24 includes definitions that are unique to this chapter. The text of this chapter is identical to that of the International Fuel Gas Code®, except that this chapter contains coverage only for that which is typically found in residential occupancies, consistent with the scope of this code.

SECTION G2401 (101) GENERAL

G2401.1 (101.2) Application. This chapter covers those fuel gas piping systems, fuel-gas appliances and related accessories, venting systems and combustion air configurations most commonly encountered in the construction of one- and two-family dwellings and structures regulated by this code.

Coverage of piping systems shall extend from the point of delivery to the outlet of the appliance shutoff valves (see definition of “Point of delivery”). Piping systems requirements shall include design, materials, components, fabrication, assembly, installation, testing, inspection, operation and maintenance. Requirements for gas appliances and related accessories shall include installation, combustion and ventilation air and venting and connections to piping systems.

The omission from this chapter of any material or method of installation provided for in the Jamaica Fuel Gas Code shall not be construed as prohibiting the use of such material or method of installation. Fuel-gas piping systems, fuel-gas appliances and related accessories, venting systems and combustion air configurations not specifically covered in these chapters shall comply with the applicable provisions of the Jamaica Fuel Gas Code.

Gaseous hydrogen systems shall be regulated by Chapter 7 of the Jamaica Fuel Gas Code.

This chapter shall not apply to the following:

- a) Liquefied natural gas (LNG) installations.
- b) Temporary LP-gas piping for buildings under construction or renovation that is not to become part of the permanent piping system.
- c) Except as provided in Section G2412.1.1, gas piping, meters, gas pressure regulators, and other appurte-

nances used by the serving gas supplier in the distribution of gas, other than undiluted LP-gas.

- d) Portable LP-gas appliances and equipment of all types that is not connected to a fixed fuel piping system.
- e) Portable fuel cell appliances that are neither connected to a fixed piping system nor interconnected to a power grid.
- f) Installation of hydrogen gas, LP-gas and compressed natural gas (CNG) systems on vehicles.

SECTION G2402 (201) GENERAL

G2402.1 (201.1) Scope. Unless otherwise expressly stated, the following words and terms shall, for the purposes of this chapter, have the meanings indicated in this chapter.

G2402.2 (201.2) Interchangeability. Words used in the present tense include the future; words in the masculine gender include the feminine and neuter; the singular number includes the plural and the plural, the singular.

G2402.3 (201.3) Terms defined in other codes. Where terms are not defined in this code and are defined in the Jamaica Building Code, Jamaica Fire Code, International Mechanical Code, Jamaica Fuel Gas Code or Jamaica Plumbing Code, such terms shall have meanings ascribed to them as in those codes.

SECTION G2403 (202) GENERAL DEFINITIONS

ACCESS (TO). That which enables a device, appliance or equipment to be reached by ready access or by a means that

first requires the removal or movement of a panel, door or similar obstruction (see also “Ready access”).

AIR CONDITIONER, GAS-FIRED. A gas-burning, automatically operated *appliance* for supplying cooled air, dehumidified air, or both, or chilled liquid.

AIR CONDITIONING. The treatment of air so as to control simultaneously the temperature, humidity, cleanness and distribution of the air to meet the requirements of a conditioned space.

AIR, EXHAUST. Air being removed from any space or piece of *equipment* or *appliance* and conveyed directly to the atmosphere by means of openings or ducts.

AIR-HANDLING UNIT. A blower or fan used for the purpose of distributing supply air to a room, space or area.

AIR, MAKEUP. Any combination of outdoor and transfer air intended to replace exhaust air and exfiltration.

ALTERATION. A change in a system that involves an extension, addition or change to the arrangement, type or purpose of the original installation.

ANODELESS RISER. A transition assembly in which plastic *piping* is installed and terminated above ground outside of a building.

APPLIANCE. Any apparatus or device that utilizes a fuel or a raw material as a fuel to produce light, heat, power, refrigeration or air conditioning. Also, an apparatus that compresses fuel gases.

APPLIANCE, AUTOMATICALLY CONTROLLED.

Appliances equipped with an automatic *burner* ignition and safety shutoff device and other automatic devices, that accomplish complete turn-on and shutoff of the gas to the *main burner* or *burners*, and graduate the gas supply to the *burner* or *burners*, but do not affect complete shutoff of the gas.

APPLIANCE, FAN-ASSISTED COMBUSTION. An *appliance* equipped with an integral mechanical means to either draw or force products of combustion through the combustion chamber or heat exchanger.

APPLIANCE, UNVENTED. An *appliance* designed or installed in such a manner that the products of combustion are not conveyed by a vent or *chimney* directly to the outside atmosphere.

APPLIANCE, VENTED. An *appliance* designed and installed in such a manner that all of the products of combustion are conveyed directly from the *appliance* to the outside atmosphere through an *approved chimney* or vent system.

APPROVED. Acceptable to the *Local Authority*.

APPROVED AGENCY. An established and recognized agency that is regularly engaged in conducting tests, furnishing inspection services or furnishing certification, where such agency has been approved by the *Local Authority*.

ATMOSPHERIC PRESSURE. The pressure of the weight of air and water vapour on the surface of the earth, approximately 101 kPa absolute (14.7 pounds per square inch (psia)) at sea level.

AUTOMATIC IGNITION. Ignition of gas at the *burner(s)* when the gas controlling device is turned on, including re-ignition if the flames on the *burner(s)* have been extinguished by means other than by the closing of the gas controlling device.

BAROMETRIC DRAFT REGULATOR. A balanced *damper* device attached to a *chimney*, vent *connector*, breeching or flue gas manifold to protect combustion *appliances* by controlling *chimney draft*. A double-acting *barometric draft regulator* is one whose balancing *damper* is free to move in either direction to protect combustion *appliances* from both excessive *draft* and backdraft.

BOILER, LOW-PRESSURE. A self-contained *appliance* for supplying steam or hot water.

Hot water heating boiler. A boiler in which no steam is generated, from which hot water is circulated for heating purposes and then returned to the boiler, and that operates at water pressures not exceeding 1,100 kPa gauge (160 pounds per square inch gauge (psig)) and at water temperatures not exceeding 121 °C (250°F) at or near the boiler outlet.

Hot water supply boiler. A boiler, completely filled with water, which furnishes hot water to be used externally to itself, and that operates at water pressures not exceeding 1,100 kPa gauge (160 psig) and at water temperatures not exceeding 121 °C (250°F) at or near the boiler outlet.

Steam heating boiler. A boiler in which steam is generated and that operates at a steam pressure not exceeding 100 kPa gauge (15 psig).

BONDING JUMPER. A conductor installed to electrically connect metallic gas *piping* to the grounding electrode system.

BRAZING. A metal-joining process wherein coalescence is produced by the use of a nonferrous filler metal having a melting point above 536 °C (1,000°F), but lower than that of the base metal being joined. The filler material is distributed between the closely fitted surfaces of the joint by capillary action.

BTU. Abbreviation for British thermal unit, which is the quantity of heat required to raise the temperature of 454 g (1 pound) of water 0.56 °C (1°F) 1055 J (1 *Btu*).

BURNER. A device for the final conveyance of the gas, or a mixture of gas and air, to the combustion zone.

Induced-draft. A *burner* that depends on *draft* induced by a fan that is an integral part of the *appliance* and is located downstream from the *burner*.

Power. A *burner* in which gas, air or both are supplied at pressures exceeding, for gas, the line pressure, and for air, atmospheric pressure, with this added pressure being applied at the *burner*.

CHIMNEY. A primarily vertical structure containing one or more flues, for the purpose of carrying gaseous products of *combustion* and air from an *appliance* to the outside atmosphere.

Factory-built chimney. A *listed* and *labelled* chimney composed of factory-made components, assembled in the

field in accordance with manufacturer's instructions and the conditions of the listing.

Masonry chimney. A field-constructed chimney composed of solid masonry units, bricks, stones or concrete.

CLEARANCE. The minimum distance through air measured between the heat-producing surface of the mechanical *appliance*, device or *equipment* and the surface of the *combustible material* or *assembly*.

CLOTHES DRYER. An *appliance* used to dry wet laundry by means of heated air.

Type 1. Factory-built package, multiple production. Primarily used in the family living environment. Usually the smallest unit physically and in function output.

CODE. These regulations, subsequent amendments thereto, or any emergency rule or regulation that the administrative authority having jurisdiction has lawfully adopted.

CODE OFFICIAL/LOCAL AUTHORITY. The officer and designated authority charged with the administration and enforcement of this code, or a duly authorized representative.

COMBUSTIBLE ASSEMBLY. Wall, floor, ceiling or other assembly constructed of one or more component materials that are not defined as noncombustible.

COMBUSTIBLE MATERIAL. Any material not defined as noncombustible.

COMBUSTION. In the context of this code, refers to the rapid oxidation of fuel accompanied by the production of heat or heat and light.

COMBUSTION AIR. Air necessary for complete combustion of a fuel, including theoretical air and excess air.

COMBUSTION CHAMBER. The portion of an *appliance* within which combustion occurs.

COMBUSTION PRODUCTS. Constituents resulting from the combustion of a fuel with the oxygen of the air, including the inert gases, but excluding excess air.

CONCEALED LOCATION. A location that cannot be accessed without damaging permanent parts of the building structure or finish surface. Spaces above, below or behind readily removable panels or doors shall not be considered as concealed.

CONCEALED PIPING. *Piping* that is located in a *concealed location* (see "*Concealed location*").

CONDENSATE. The liquid that condenses from a gas (including flue gas) caused by a reduction in temperature or increase in pressure.

CONNECTOR, APPLIANCE (Fuel). Rigid metallic *pipe* and fittings, semirigid metallic *tubing* and fittings or a *listed* and *labelled* device that connects an *appliance* to the *gas piping system*.

CONNECTOR, CHIMNEY OR VENT. The *pipe* that connects an *appliance* to a chimney or vent.

CONTROL. A manual or automatic device designed to regulate the gas, air, water or electrical supply to, or operation of, a mechanical system.

CONVERSION BURNER. A unit consisting of a *burner* and its *controls* for installation in an *appliance* originally utilizing another fuel.

CUBIC FOOT. The amount of gas that occupies 0.02832 m³ (1 cubic foot) when at a temperature of 16 °C (60°F), saturated with water vapour and under a pressure equivalent to that of 101 kPa (30 inches of mercury).

DAMPER. A manually or automatically controlled device to regulate *draft* or the rate of flow of air or combustion gases.

DECORATIVE APPLIANCE, VENTED. A *vented appliance* wherein the primary function lies in the aesthetic effect of the flames.

DECORATIVE APPLIANCES FOR INSTALLATION IN VENTED FIREPLACES. A *vented appliance* designed for installation within the fire chamber of a *vented fireplace*, wherein the primary function lies in the aesthetic effect of the flames.

DEMAND. The maximum amount of gas input required per unit of time, usually expressed in cubic metre (feet) per hour, or Watt (*Btu/h*) [1 W =3.412*Btu/h*].

DESIGN FLOOD ELEVATION. The elevation of the "design flood," including wave height, relative to the datum specified on the community's legally designated flood hazard map. In areas designated as Zone AO, the *design flood elevation* shall be the elevation of the highest existing grade of the *building's* perimeter plus the depth number (in feet) specified on the flood hazard map. In areas designated as Zone AO where a depth number is not specified on the map, the depth number shall be taken as being equal to 610 mm (2 feet).

DILUTION AIR. Air that is introduced into a *draft hood* and is mixed with the *flue gases*.

DIRECT-VENT APPLIANCES. *Appliances* that are constructed and installed so that all air for combustion is derived directly from the outside atmosphere and all *flue gases* are discharged directly to the outside atmosphere.

DRAFT. The pressure difference existing between the *appliance* or any component part and the atmosphere, that causes a continuous flow of air and products of combustion through the gas passages of the *appliance* to the atmosphere.

Mechanical or induced draft. The pressure difference created by the action of a fan, blower or ejector that is located between the *appliance* and the chimney or vent termination.

Natural draft. The pressure difference created by a vent or chimney because of its height, and the temperature difference between the *flue gases* and the atmosphere.

DRAFT HOOD. A nonadjustable device built into an *appliance*, or made as part of the *vent connector* from an *appliance*, that is designed to: provide for ready escape of the *flue gases* from the *appliance* in the event of no *draft*, backdraft, or stoppage beyond the *draft hood*; prevent a backdraft from entering the *appliance*; and neutralize the effect of stack action of the chimney or gas vent upon operation of the *appliance*.

DRAFT REGULATOR. A device that functions to maintain a desired *draft* in the *appliance* by automatically reducing the *draft* to the desired value.

DRIP. The container placed at a low point in a system of *pip-ing* to collect *condensate* and from which the *condensate* is removable.

DUCT FURNACE. A warm-air *furnace* normally installed in an air distribution duct to supply warm air for heating. This definition shall apply only to a warm-air heating *appliance* that depends for air circulation on a blower not furnished as part of the *furnace*.

DWELLING UNIT. A single unit providing complete, independent living facilities for one or more persons, including permanent provisions for living, sleeping, eating, cooking and sanitation.

EQUIPMENT. Apparatus and devices other than *appli-ances*.

EXCESS FLOW VALVE (EFV). A valve designed to activate when the fuel gas passing through it exceeds a prescribed flow rate.

EXTERIOR MASONRY CHIMNEYS. Masonry chimneys exposed to the outdoors on one or more sides below the roof line.

FIREPLACE. A fire chamber and hearth constructed of *non-combustible material* for use with solid fuels and provided with a chimney.

Factory-built fireplace. A *fireplace* composed of *listed* factory-built components assembled in accordance with the terms of listing to form the completed *fireplace*.

Masonry fireplace. A hearth and fire chamber of solid masonry units such as bricks, stones, *listed* masonry units or reinforced concrete, provided with a suitable chimney.

FLAME SAFEGUARD. A device that will automatically shut off the fuel supply to a *main burner* or group of *burners* when the means of ignition of such *burners* becomes inoperative, and when flame failure occurs on the *burner* or group of *burners*.

FLASHBACK ARRESTOR CHECK VALVE. A device that will prevent the backflow of one gas into the supply system of another gas and prevent the passage of flame into the gas supply system.

FLOOD HAZARD AREA. The greater of the following two areas:

- a) The area within a floodplain subject to a 1 percent or greater chance of flooding in any given year.
- b) This area designated as a *flood hazard area* on a community's flood hazard map, or otherwise legally designated.

FLOOR FURNACE. A completely self-contained *furnace* suspended from the floor of the space being heated, taking air for combustion from outside such space and with means for observing flames and lighting the *appliance* from such space.

FLUE, APPLIANCE. The passage(s) within an *appliance* through which *combustion products* pass from the *combustion chamber* of the *appliance* to the *draft hood* inlet opening

on an *appliance* equipped with a *draft hood* or to the outlet of the *appliance* on an *appliance* not equipped with a *draft hood*.

FLUE COLLAR. That portion of an *appliance* designed for the attachment of a *draft hood*, *vent connector* or venting system.

FLUE GASES. Products of combustion plus excess air in *appliance flues* or heat exchangers.

FLUE LINER (LINING). A system or material used to form the inside surface of a flue in a *chimney* or vent, for the purpose of protecting the surrounding structure from the effects of *combustion products* and for conveying *combustion products* without leakage to the atmosphere.

FUEL GAS. A natural gas, manufactured gas, *liquefied petroleum gas* or mixtures of these gases.

FURNACE. A completely self-contained heating unit that is designed to supply heated air to spaces remote from or adjacent to the *appliance* location.

FURNACE, CENTRAL. A self-contained *appliance* for heating air by transfer of heat of *combustion* through metal to the air, and designed to supply heated air through ducts to spaces remote from or adjacent to the *appliance* location.

FURNACE PLENUM. An air compartment or chamber to which one or more ducts are connected and that forms part of an air distribution system.

GAS CONVENIENCE OUTLET. A permanently mounted, manually operated device that provides the means for connecting an *appliance* to, and disconnecting an *appliance* from, the supply *pip-ing*. The device includes an integral, manually operated valve with a nondisplaceable valve member and is designed so that disconnection of an *appliance* only occurs when the manually operated valve is in the closed position.

GAS PIPING. An installation of pipe, valves or fittings installed on a premises or in a building and utilized to convey fuel gas.

HAZARDOUS LOCATION. Any location considered to be a fire hazard for flammable vapours, dust, combustible fibers or other highly combustible substances. The location is not necessarily categorized in the *Jamaica Building Code* as a high-hazard use group classification.

HOUSE PIPING. See "*Piping system.*"

IGNITION PILOT. A *pilot* that operates during the lighting cycle and discontinues during *main burner* operation.

IGNITION SOURCE. A flame spark or hot surface capable of igniting flammable vapors or fumes. Such sources include *appliance burners*, *burner* ignitors and electrical switching devices.

INFRARED RADIANT HEATER. A heater that directs a substantial amount of its energy output in the form of infrared radiant energy into the area to be heated. Such heaters are of either the vented or unvented type.

JOINT, FLARED. A metal-to-metal compression joint in which a conical spread is made on the end of a tube that is compressed by a flare nut against a mating flare.

JOINT, MECHANICAL. A general form of gas-tight joints obtained by the joining of metal parts through a positive-holding mechanical construction, such as a press-connect joint, flanged joint, threaded joint, flared joint or compression joint.

JOINT, PLASTIC ADHESIVE. A joint made in thermoset plastic *pipng* by the use of an adhesive substance that forms a continuous bond between the mating surfaces without dissolving either one of them.

LABELLED. Equipment, materials or products to which have been affixed a label, seal, symbol or other identifying mark of a nationally recognized testing laboratory, inspection agency or other organization concerned with product evaluation that maintains periodic inspection of the production of the above- labelled items and whose labeling indicates either that the *equipment*, material or product meets identified standards or has been tested and found suitable for a specified purpose.

LEAK CHECK. An operation performed on a gas *pipng system* to verify that the system does not leak.

LIQUEFIED PETROLEUM GAS or LPG (LP-GAS).

Liquefied petroleum gas composed predominately of propane, propylene, butanes or butylenes, or mixtures thereof that is gaseous under normal atmospheric conditions, but is capable of being liquefied under moderate pressure at normal temperatures.

LISTED. Equipment, materials, products or services included in a list published by an organization acceptable to the Local Authority and concerned with evaluation of products or services that maintains periodic inspection of production of *listed equipment* or materials or periodic evaluation of services and whose listing states either that the *equipment*, material, product or service meets identified standards or has been tested and found suitable for a specified purpose.

LIVING SPACE. Space within a *dwelling unit* utilized for living, sleeping, eating, cooking, bathing, washing and sanitation purposes.

LOG LIGHTER. A manually operated solid-fuel ignition *appliance* for installation in a vented solid fuel-burning *fireplace*.

MAIN BURNER. A device or group of devices essentially forming an integral unit for the final conveyance of gas or a mixture of gas and air to the combustion zone, and on which combustion takes place to accomplish the function for which the *appliance* is designed.

METER. The instrument installed to measure the volume of gas delivered through it.

MODULATING. Modulating or throttling is the action of a *control* from its maximum to minimum position in either predetermined steps or increments of movement as caused by its actuating medium.

NONCOMBUSTIBLE MATERIALS. Materials that, where tested in accordance with ASTM E136, have not fewer than three of four specimens tested meeting all of the following criteria:

- i. The recorded temperature of the surface and

interior thermocouples shall not at any time during the test rise

more than 30 °C (54°F) above the furnace temperature at the beginning of the test.

- ii. There shall not be flaming from the specimen after the first 30 seconds.
- iii. If the weight loss of the specimen during testing exceeds 50 percent, the recorded temperature of the surface and interior thermocouples shall not at any time during the test rise above the furnace air temperature at the beginning of the test, and there shall not be flaming of the specimen.

OFFSET (VENT). A combination of *approved* bends that make two changes in direction bringing one section of the vent out of line, but into a line parallel with the other section.

OUTLET. The point at which a gas-fired *appliance* connects to the gas *piping system*.

OXYGEN DEPLETION SAFETY SHUTOFF SYSTEM

(ODS). A system designed to act to shut off the gas supply to the main and *pilot burners* if the oxygen in the surrounding atmosphere is reduced below a predetermined level.

PILOT. A small flame that is utilized to ignite the gas at the *main burner* or *burners*.

PIPING. Where used in this code, "*piping*" refers to either *pipe* or *tubing*, or both.

Pipe. A rigid conduit of iron, steel, copper, copper-alloy or plastic.

Tubing. Semirigid conduit of copper, copper-alloy, aluminum, plastic or steel.

PIPING SYSTEM. The fuel *piping*, valves and fittings from the outlet of the *point of delivery* to the outlets of the *appliance* shutoff valves.

PLASTIC, THERMOPLASTIC. A plastic that is capable of being repeatedly softened by increase of temperature and hardened by decrease of temperature.

POINT OF DELIVERY. For natural gas systems, the *point of delivery* is the outlet of the service meter assembly or the outlet of the service regulator or service shutoff valve where a meter is not provided. Where a valve is provided at the outlet of the service meter assembly, such valve shall be considered to be downstream of the *point of delivery*. For undiluted liquefied petroleum gas systems, the point of delivery shall be considered to be the outlet of the service pressure regulator, exclusive of line gas regulators, in the system.

PRESSURE DROP. The loss in pressure due to friction or obstruction in pipes, valves, fittings, *regulators* and *burners*.

PRESSURE TEST. An operation performed to verify the gas-tight integrity of *gas piping* following its installation or modification.

PURGE. To free a gas conduit of air or gas, or a mixture of gas and air.

READY ACCESS (TO). That which enables a device, *appliance* or *equipment* to be directly reached, without requiring the removal or movement of any panel, door or similar obstruction. (See "Access.")

REGULATOR. A device for controlling and maintaining a uniform gas supply pressure, either pounds-to-inches water column (MP regulator) or inches-to-inches water column (*appliance regulator*).

REGULATOR, GAS APPLIANCE. A *pressure regulator* for controlling pressure to the manifold of the gas *appliance*.

REGULATOR, LINE GAS PRESSURE. A device placed in a gas line between the *service pressure regulator* and the *appliance* for controlling, maintaining or reducing the pressure in that portion of the *pipng system* downstream of the device.

REGULATOR, MEDIUM-PRESSURE (MP Regulator). A line *pressure regulator* that reduces gas pressure from the range of greater than 3,4 kPa (0.5 psig) and less than or equal to 34.5 kPa (5 psig) to a lower pressure.

REGULATOR, PRESSURE. A device placed in a gas line for reducing, controlling and maintaining the pressure in that portion of the *pipng system* downstream of the device.

REGULATOR, SERVICE PRESSURE. For natural gas systems, a device installed by the serving gas supplier to reduce and limit the service line pressure to delivery pressure. For undiluted liquefied petroleum gas systems, the regulator located upstream from all line gas pressure regulators, where installed, and downstream from any first stage or a high pressure regulator in the system.

RELIEF OPENING. The opening provided in a *draft hood* to permit the ready escape to the atmosphere of the flue products from the *draft hood* in the event of no *draft*, backdraft or stoppage beyond the *draft hood*, and to permit air into the *draft hood* in the event of a strong chimney updraft.

RELIEF VALVE (DEVICE). A safety valve designed to forestall the development of a dangerous condition by relieving either pressure, temperature or vacuum in the hot water supply system.

RELIEF VALVE, PRESSURE. An *automatic valve* that opens and closes a relief vent, depending on whether the pressure is above or below a predetermined value.

RELIEF VALVE, TEMPERATURE.

Manual reset type. A valve that automatically opens a *relief vent* at a predetermined temperature and that shall be manually returned to the closed position.

Reseating or self-closing type. An *automatic valve* that opens and closes a relief vent, depending on whether the temperature is above or below a predetermined value.

RELIEF VALVE, VACUUM. A valve that automatically opens and closes a vent for relieving a vacuum within the hot water supply system, depending on whether the vacuum is above or below a predetermined value.

RISER, GAS. A vertical *pipe* supplying fuel gas.

ROOM HEATER, UNVENTED. See “*Unvented room heater*.”

ROOM HEATER, VENTED. A free-standing heating unit used for direct heating of the space in and adjacent to that in which the unit is located. (See “*Vented room heater*.”)

SAFETY SHUTOFF DEVICE. See “*Flame safeguard*.”

SHAFT. An enclosed space extending through one or more stories of a building, connecting vertical openings in successive floors, or floors and the roof.

SPECIFIC GRAVITY. As applied to gas, *specific gravity* is the ratio of the weight of a given volume to that of the same volume of air, both measured under the same condition.

THERMOSTAT.

Electric switch type. A device that senses changes in temperature and controls electrically, by means of separate components, the flow of gas to the *burner(s)* to maintain selected temperatures.

THIRD-PARTY CERTIFICATION AGENCY. An approved agency operating a product or material certification system that incorporates initial product testing, assessment and surveillance of a manufacturer’s quality control system.

THIRD-PARTY CERTIFIED. Certification obtained by the manufacturer indicating that the function and performance characteristics of a product or material have been determined by testing and ongoing surveillance by an approved third-party certification agency. Assertion of certification is in the form of identification in accordance with the requirements of the third-party certification agency.

THIRD-PARTY TESTED. Procedure by which an approved testing laboratory provides documentation that a product, material or system conforms to specified requirements.

TOILET, GAS-FIRED. A packaged and completely assembled appliance containing a toilet that incinerates refuse instead of flushing it away with water.

TRANSITION FITTINGS, PLASTIC TO STEEL. An adapter for joining plastic *pipe* to steel *pipe*. The purpose of this fitting is to provide a permanent, pressure-tight connection between two materials that cannot be joined directly one to another.

UNIT HEATER. A self-contained, automatically controlled, vented, fuel-gas-burning, space-heating appliance, intended for installation in the space to be heated without the use of ducts, and having integral means for circulation of air.

UNVENTED ROOM HEATER. An unvented heating *appliance* designed for stationary installation and utilized to provide comfort heating. Such *appliances* provide radiant heat or convection heat by gravity or fan circulation directly from the heater and do not utilize ducts.

VALVE. A device used in *pipng* to control the gas supply to any section of a system of *pipng* or to an *appliance*.

Appliance shutoff. A *valve* located in the *pipng system*, used to isolate individual *appliances* for purposes such as service or replacement.

Automatic. An automatic or semiautomatic device consisting essentially of a *valve* and an operator that control the gas supply to the *burner(s)* during operation of an *appliance*. The operator shall be actuated by application of gas pressure on a flexible diaphragm, by electrical means, by mechanical means or by other *approved* means.

Automatic gas shutoff. A *valve* used in conjunction with an automatic gas shutoff device to shut off the gas supply to a water-heating system. It shall be constructed integrally with the gas shutoff device or shall be a separate assembly.

Individual main burner. A *valve* that controls the gas supply to an individual *main burner*.

Main burner control. A *valve* that controls the gas supply to the *main burner* manifold.

Manual main gas-control. A manually operated *valve* in the gas line for the purpose of completely turning on or shutting off the gas supply to the *appliance*, except to *pilot* or *pilots* that are provided with independent shutoff.

Manual reset. An automatic shutoff valve installed in the gas supply *pipng* and set to shut off when unsafe conditions occur. The device remains closed until manually reopened.

Service shutoff. A valve, installed by the serving gas supplier between the service meter or source of supply and the customer *pipng system*, to shut off the entire *pipng system*.

VENT. A *pipe* or other conduit composed of factory-made components, containing a passageway for conveying *combustion products* and air to the atmosphere, *listed* and *labelled* for use with a specific type or class of *appliance*.

Special gas vent. A vent *listed* and *labelled* for use with *listed* Category II, III and IV gas *appliances*.

Type B vent. A vent *listed* and *labelled* for use with *appliances* with *draft hoods* and other Category I *appliances* that are *listed* for use with Type B vents.

Type BW vent. A vent *listed* and *labelled* for use with wall *furnaces*.

Type L vent. A vent *listed* and *labelled* for use with *appliances* that are *listed* for use with Type L or Type B vents.

VENT CONNECTOR. See “Connector.”

VENT PIPING.

Breather. *Piping* run from a pressure-regulating device to the outdoors, designed to provide a reference to *atmospheric pressure*. If the device incorporates an integral pressure *relief* mechanism, a breather vent can also serve as a *relief* vent.

Relief. *Piping* run from a pressure-regulating or pressure-limiting device to the outdoors, designed to provide for the safe venting of gas in the event of excessive pressure in the *gas pipng system*.

VENTED APPLIANCE CATEGORIES. *Appliances* that are categorized for the purpose of vent selection are classified into the following four categories:

Category I. An *appliance* that operates with a nonpositive vent static pressure and with a vent gas temperature that avoids excessive *condensate* production in the vent.

Category II. An *appliance* that operates with a nonpositive vent static pressure and with a vent gas temperature

that is capable of causing excessive *condensate* production in the vent.

Category III. An *appliance* that operates with a positive vent static pressure and with a vent gas temperature that avoids excessive *condensate* production in the vent.

Category IV. An *appliance* that operates with a positive vent static pressure and with a vent gas temperature that is capable of causing excessive *condensate* production in the vent.

VENTED ROOM HEATER. A vented self-contained, free-standing, nonrecessed *appliance* for furnishing warm air to the space in which it is installed, directly from the heater without duct connections.

VENTED WALL FURNACE. A self-contained vented *appliance* complete with grilles or equivalent, designed for incorporation in or permanent attachment to the structure of a building, mobile home or travel trailer, and furnishing heated air circulated by gravity or by a fan directly into the space to be heated through openings in the casing. This definition shall exclude *floor furnaces*, *unit heaters* and *central furnaces* as herein defined.

VENTING SYSTEM. A continuous open passageway from the *flue collar* or *draft hood* of an *appliance* to the outdoor atmosphere for the purpose of removing flue or vent gases. A venting system is usually composed of a vent or a chimney and *vent connector*, if used, assembled to form the open passageway.

WALL HEATER, UNVENTED TYPE. A room heater of the type designed for insertion in or attachment to a wall or partition. Such heater does not incorporate concealed venting arrangements in its construction and discharges all products of *combustion* through the front into the room being heated.

WATER HEATER. Any heating *appliance* or *equipment* that heats potable water and supplies such water to the potable hot water distribution system.

**SECTION G2404 (301)
GENERAL**

G2404.1 (301.1) Scope. This section shall govern the approval and installation of all *equipment* and *appliances* that comprise parts of the installations regulated by this *code* in accordance with Section G2401.

G2404.2 (301.1.1) Other fuels. The requirements for *combustion* and *dilution air* for gas-fired *appliances* shall be governed by Section G2407. The requirements for *combustion* and *dilution air* for *appliances* operating with fuels other than fuel gas shall be regulated by Chapter 17.

G2404.3 (301.3) Listed and labelled. *Appliances* regulated by this *code* shall be *listed* and *labelled* for the application in which they are used unless otherwise *approved* in accordance with Section R104.11. The approval of unlisted *appliances* in accordance with Section R104.11 shall be based on *approved* engineering evaluation.

G2404.4 (301.8) Vibration isolation. Where means for isolation of vibration of an *appliance* is installed, an *approved*

means for support and restraint of that *appliance* shall be provided.

G2404.5 (301.9) Repair. Defective material or parts shall be replaced or repaired in such a manner so as to preserve the original approval or listing.

G2404.6 (301.10) Wind resistance. *Appliances* and supports that are exposed to wind shall be designed and installed to resist the wind pressures determined in accordance with this *code* which in no case shall be less than that generated by winds of 240 kph (150 mph).

G2404.7 (301.11) Flood hazard. For structures located in flood hazard areas, the appliance, equipment and system installations regulated by this code shall be located at or above the elevation required by Section R322 for utilities and attendant equipment.

Exception: The appliance, equipment and system installations regulated by this code are permitted to be located below the elevation required by Section R322 for utilities and attendant equipment provided that they are designed and installed to prevent water from entering or accumulating within the components and to resist hydrostatic and hydrodynamic loads and stresses, including the effects of buoyancy, during the occurrence of flooding to such elevation.

G2404.8 (301.12) Seismic resistance. Where earthquake loads are applicable in accordance with this code, the supports shall be designed and installed for the seismic forces in accordance with this code.

G2404.9 (301.14) Rodentproofing. Buildings or structures and the walls enclosing habitable or occupiable rooms and spaces in which persons live, sleep or work, or in which feed, food or foodstuffs are stored, prepared, processed, served or sold, shall be constructed to protect against the entry of rodents.

G2404.10 (307.5) Auxiliary drain pan. Category IV condensing *appliances* shall be provided with an auxiliary drain pan where damage to any building component will occur as a result of stoppage in the *condensate* drainage system. Such pan shall be installed in accordance with the applicable provisions of Section M1411.

Exception: An auxiliary drain pan shall not be required for *appliances* that automatically shut down operation in the event of a stoppage in the *condensate* drainage system.

G2404.11 (307.6) Condensate pumps. Condensate pumps located in uninhabitable spaces, such as attics and crawl spaces, shall be connected to the *appliance* or *equipment* served such that when the pump fails, the *appliance* or *equipment* will be prevented from operating. Pumps shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

SECTION G2405 (302) STRUCTURAL SAFETY

G2405.1 (302.1) Structural safety. The building shall not be weakened by the installation of any gas *pipng*. In the process of installing or repairing any gas *pipng*, the finished floors, walls, ceilings, tile work or any other part of the building or

premises that is required to be changed or replaced shall be left in a safe structural condition in accordance with the requirements of this code.

G2405.2 (302.4) Alterations to trusses. Truss members and components shall not be cut, drilled, notched, spliced or otherwise altered in any way without the written concurrence and approval of a registered design professional. *Alterations* resulting in the addition of loads to any member, such as HVAC equipment and water heaters, shall not be permitted without verification that the truss is capable of supporting such additional loading.

G2405.3 (302.3.1) Engineered wood products. Cuts, notches and holes bored in trusses, structural composite lumber, structural glued-laminated members and I-joists are prohibited except where permitted by the manufacturer's recommendations or where the effects of such *alterations* are specifically considered in the design of the member by a registered design professional.

SECTION G2406 (303) APPLIANCE LOCATION

G2406.1 (303.1) General. *Appliances* shall be located as required by this section, specific requirements elsewhere in this code and the conditions of the *equipment* and *appliance* listing.

G2406.2 (303.3) Prohibited locations. *Appliances* shall not be located in sleeping rooms, bathrooms, toilet rooms, storage closets or surgical rooms, or in a space that opens only into such rooms or spaces, except where the installation complies with one of the following:

1. The *appliance* is a direct-vent *appliance* installed in accordance with the conditions of the listing and the manufacturer's instructions.
2. *Vented room heaters*, wall *furnaces*, vented decorative *appliances*, vented gas *fireplaces*, vented gas *fireplace* heaters and decorative *appliances* for installation in vented solid fuel-burning *fireplaces* are installed in rooms that meet the required volume criteria of Section G2407.5.
3. A single wall-mounted *unvented room heater* is installed in a bathroom and such *unvented room heater* is equipped as specified in Section G2445.6 and has an input rating not greater than 1.76 kW (6,000 *Btu/h*). The bathroom shall meet the required volume criteria of Section G2407.5.
4. A single wall-mounted *unvented room heater* is installed in a bedroom and such *unvented room heater* is equipped as specified in Section G2445.6 and has an input rating not greater than 2.93 kW (10,000 *Btu/h*). The bedroom shall meet the required volume criteria of Section G2407.5.

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5. The *appliance* is installed in a room or space that opens only into a bedroom or bathroom, and such room or space is used for no other purpose and is provided with a solid weather-stripped door equipped with an *approved* self-closing device. *Combustion air* shall be

taken directly from the outdoors in accordance with Section G2407.6.

A clothes dryer is installed in a residential bathroom or toilet room having a permanent opening with an area of not less than 0.06 m² (100 square inches) that communicates with a space outside of a sleeping room, bathroom, toilet room or storage closet.

G2406.3 (303.6) Outdoor locations. *Appliances* installed in outdoor locations shall be either *listed* for outdoor installation or provided with protection from outdoor environmental factors that influence the operability, durability and safety of the *appliance*.

SECTION G2407 (304)

COMBUSTION, VENTILATION AND DILUTION AIR

G2407.1 (304.1) General. Air for *combustion*, ventilation and dilution of *flue gases* for *appliances* installed in buildings shall be provided by application of one of the methods prescribed in Sections G2407.5 through G2407.9. Where the requirements of Section G2407.5 are not met, outdoor air shall be introduced in accordance with one of the methods prescribed in Sections G2407.6 through G2407.9. *Direct-vent appliances*, *gas appliances* of other than *natural draft* design, *vented gas appliances* not designated as Category I and *appliances* equipped with power burners, shall be provided with *combustion*, ventilation and *dilution air* in accordance with the *appliance* manufacturer’s instructions.

Exception: *Type 1 clothes dryers* that are provided with *makeup air* in accordance with Section G2439.5.

G2407.2 (304.2) Appliance location. *Appliances* shall be located so as not to interfere with proper circulation of *combustion*, ventilation and *dilution air*.

G2407.3 (304.3) Draft hood/regulator location. Where used, a *draft hood* or a *barometric draft regulator* shall be installed in the same room or enclosure as the *appliance* served to prevent any difference in pressure between the hood or regulator and the *combustion air* supply.

G2407.4 (304.4) Makeup air provisions. Where exhaust fans, *clothes dryers* and kitchen ventilation systems interfere with the operation of *appliances*, *makeup air* shall be provided.

G2407.5 (304.5) Indoor combustion air. The required volume of indoor air shall be determined in accordance with Section G2407.5.1 or G2407.5.2, except that where the air infiltration rate is known to be less than 0.40 air changes per hour (ACH), Section G2407.5.2 shall be used. The total required volume shall be the sum of the required volume calculated for all *appliances* located within the space. Rooms communicating directly with the space in which the *appliances* are installed through openings not furnished with doors, and through *combustion air* openings sized and located in accordance with Section G2407.5.3, are considered to be part of the required volume.

G2407.5.1 (304.5.1) Standard method. The minimum required volume shall be 4.8 m³/kW (50 cubic feet per 1,000 *Btu/h*) of the *appliance* input rating.

G2407.5.2 (304.5.2) Known air-infiltration-rate method. Where the air infiltration rate of a structure is known, the minimum required volume shall be determined as follows:

For *appliances* other than fan-assisted, calculate volume using Equation 24-1.

$$\text{Required Volume}_{\text{other}} \geq \frac{0.00203 \text{ m}^3 (I_{\text{other}})}{\text{ACH} (1,000 \text{ W})} \quad \text{(Equation 24-1)}$$

For fan-assisted *appliances*, calculate volume using Equation 24-2.

$$\text{Required Volume}_{\text{fan}} \geq \frac{0.00145 \text{ m}^3 (I_{\text{fan}})}{\text{ACH} (1,000 \text{ W})} \quad \text{(Equation 24-2)}$$

where:

I_{other} = All *appliances* other than fan assisted (input in W).

I_{fan} = Fan-assisted *appliance* (input in W).

ACH = Air change per hour (percent of volume of space exchanged per hour, expressed as a decimal).

For purposes of this calculation, an infiltration rate greater than 0.60 *ACH* shall not be used in Equations 24-1 and 24-2.

G2407.5.3 (304.5.3) Indoor opening size and location. Openings used to connect indoor spaces shall be sized and located in accordance with Sections G2407.5.3.1 and G2407.5.3.2 (see Figure G2407.5.3).

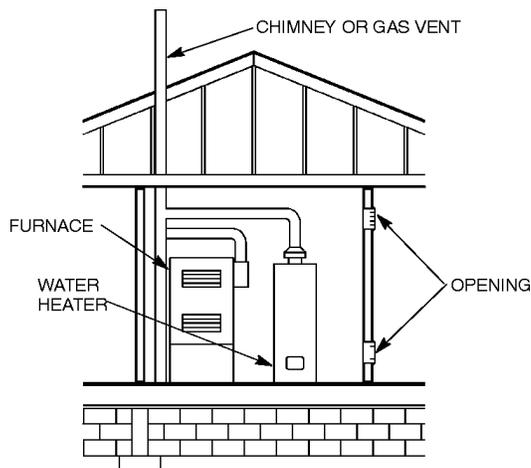


FIGURE G2407.5.3 (304.5.3)
ALL AIR FROM INSIDE THE BUILDING
 (see Section G2407.5.3)

G2407.5.3.1 (304.5.3.1) Combining spaces on the same story. Where combining spaces on the same story, each opening shall have a minimum free area of 2,200 mm²/kW (1 square inch per 1,000 *Btu/h*) of the total input rating

of all *appliances* in the space, but not less than 0.06 m² (100 square inches). One permanent opening shall commence within 305 mm (12 inches) of the top and one permanent opening shall commence within 305 mm (12 inches) of the bottom of the enclosure. The minimum dimension of air openings shall be not less than 76 mm (3 inches).

G2407.5.3.2 (304.5.3.2) Combining spaces in different stories. The volumes of spaces in different stories shall be considered to be communicating spaces where such spaces are connected by one or more permanent openings in doors or floors having a total minimum free area of 4402 mm²/kW (2 square inches per 1,000 *Btu/h*) of total input rating of all *appliances*.

G2407.6 (304.6) Outdoor combustion air. Outdoor *combustion* air shall be provided through opening(s) to the outdoors in accordance with Section G2407.6.1 or G2407.6.2. The minimum dimension of air openings shall be not less than 76 mm (3 inches).

G2407.6.1 (304.6.1) Two-permanent-openings method. Two permanent openings, one commencing within 305 mm (12 inches) of the top and one commencing within 305 mm (12 inches) of the bottom of the enclosure, shall be provided. The openings shall communicate directly or by ducts with the outdoors or spaces that freely communicate with the outdoors.

Where directly communicating with the outdoors, or where communicating with the outdoors through vertical ducts, each opening shall have a minimum free area of 550 mm²/kW (1 square inch per 4,000 *Btu/h*) of total input rating of all *appliances* in the enclosure [see Figures G2407.6.1(1) and G2407.6.1(2)].

Where communicating with the outdoors through horizontal ducts, each opening shall have a minimum free area of not less than 1,100 mm²/kW (1 square inch per 2,000 *Btu/h*) of total input rating of all *appliances* in the enclosure [see Figure G2407.6.1(3)].

G2407.6.2 (304.6.2) One-permanent-opening method. One permanent opening, commencing within 305 mm (12 inches) of the top of the enclosure, shall be provided. The *appliance* shall have *clearances* of not less than 25 mm (1 inch) from the sides and back and 150 mm (6 inches) from the front of the *appliance*. The opening shall directly communicate with the outdoors or through a vertical or horizontal duct to the outdoors, or spaces that freely communicate with the outdoors (see Figure G2407.6.2) and shall have a minimum free area of 734 mm²/kW (1 square inch per 3,000 *Btu/h*) of the total input rating of all *appliances* located in the enclosure and not less than the sum of the areas of all *vent connectors* in the space.

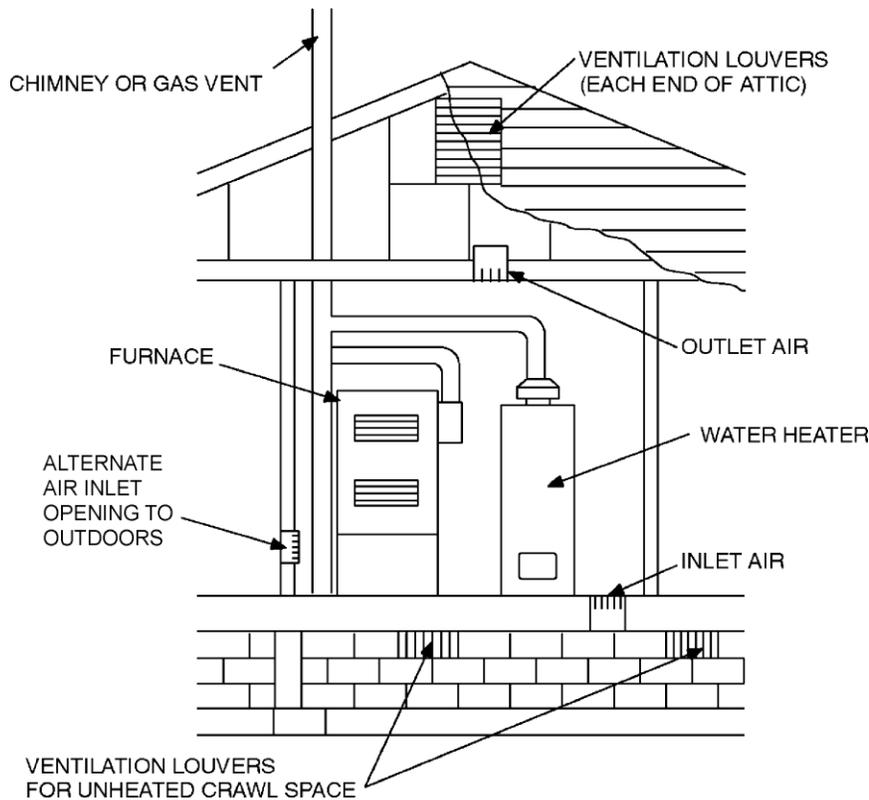
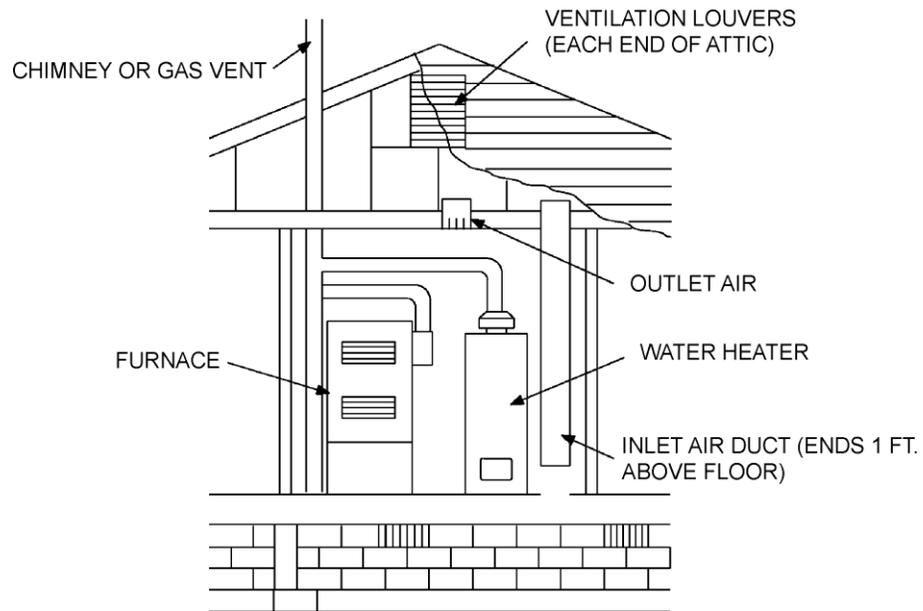
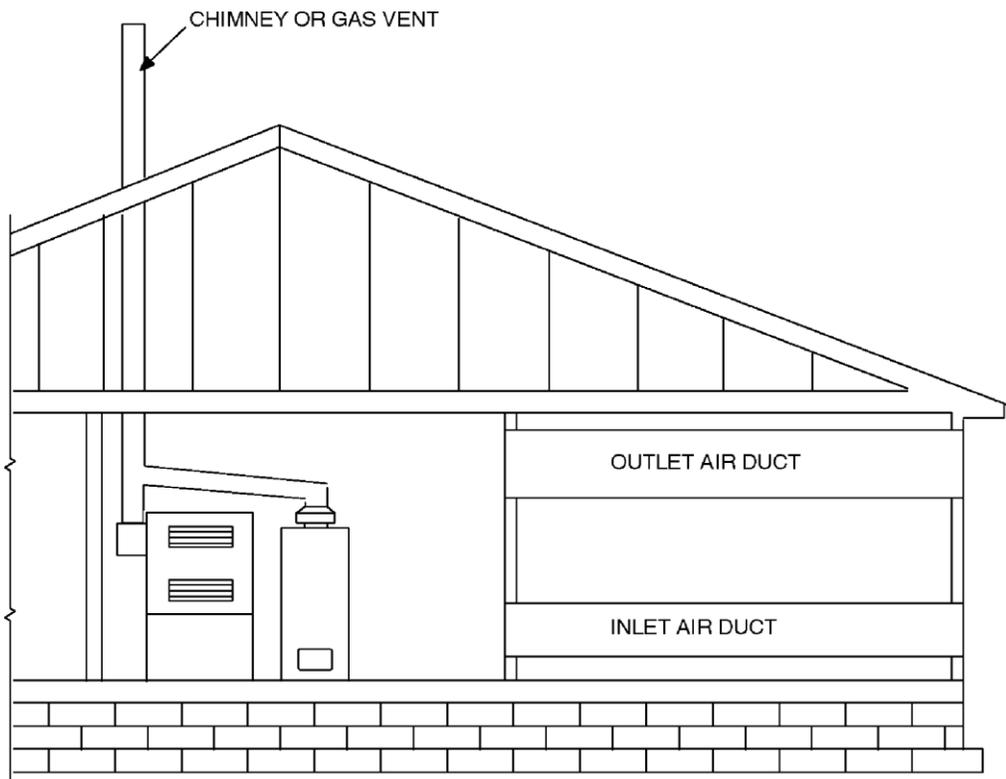


FIGURE G2407.6.1(1) [304.6.1(1)]
ALL AIR FROM OUTDOORS—INLET AIR FROM VENTILATED CRAWL SPACE AND OUTLET AIR TO VENTILATED ATTIC
 (see Section G2407.6.1)



For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0,00328 foot.

**FIGURE G2407.6.1(2) [304.6.1(2)]
ALL AIR FROM OUTDOORS THROUGH VENTILATED
ATTIC (see Section G2407.6.1)**



**FIGURE G2407.6.1(3) [304.6.1(3)]
ALL AIR FROM OUTDOORS (see Section G2407.6.1)**

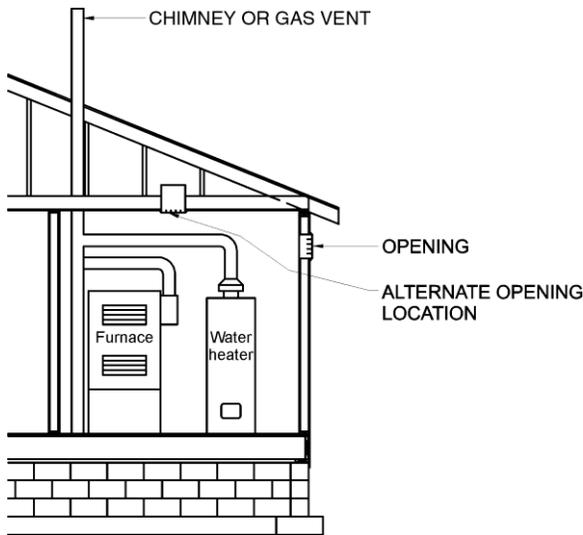


FIGURE G2407.6.2 (304.6.2)
SINGLE COMBUSTION AIR OPENING,
ALL AIR FROM OUTDOORS
(see Section G2407.6.2)

G2407.7 (304.7) Combination indoor and outdoor combustion air. The use of a combination of indoor and outdoor combustion air shall be in accordance with Sections G2407.7.1 through G2407.7.3.

G2407.7.1 (304.7.1) Indoor openings. Where used, openings connecting the interior spaces shall comply with Section G2407.5.3.

G2407.7.2 (304.7.2) Outdoor opening location. Outdoor opening(s) shall be located in accordance with Section G2407.6.

G2407.7.3 (304.7.3) Outdoor opening(s) size. The outdoor opening(s) size shall be calculated in accordance with the following:

1. The ratio of interior spaces shall be the available volume of all communicating spaces divided by the required volume.
2. The outdoor size reduction factor shall be one minus the ratio of interior spaces.
3. The minimum size of outdoor opening(s) shall be the full size of outdoor opening(s) calculated in accordance with Section G2407.6, multiplied by the reduction factor. The minimum dimension of air openings shall be not less than 76 mm (3 inches).

G2407.8 (304.8) Engineered installations. Engineered combustion air installations shall provide an adequate supply of combustion, ventilation and dilution air and shall be approved.

G2407.9 (304.9) Mechanical combustion air supply. Where all combustion air is provided by a mechanical air supply system, the combustion air shall be supplied from the outdoors at a rate not less than 0.034 m³/min per kW (0.35 cubic feet per minute per

1,000 Btu/h) of total input rating of all appliances located within the space.

G2407.9.1 (304.9.1) Makeup air. Where exhaust fans are installed, makeup air shall be provided to replace the exhausted air.

G2407.9.2 (304.9.2) Appliance interlock. Each of the appliances served shall be interlocked with the mechanical air supply system to prevent main burner operation when the mechanical air supply system is not in operation.

G2407.9.3 (304.9.3) Combined combustion air and ventilation air system. Where combustion air is provided by the building's mechanical ventilation system, the system shall provide the specified combustion air rate in addition to the required ventilation air.

G2407.10 (304.10) Louvers and grilles. The required size of openings for combustion, ventilation and dilution air shall be based on the net free area of each opening. Where the free area through a design of louver, grille or screen is known, it shall be used in calculating the size opening required to provide the free area specified. Where the design and free area of louvers and grilles are not known, it shall be assumed that wood louvers will have 25-percent free area and metal louvers and grilles will have 75-percent free area. Screens shall have a mesh size not smaller than 6.35 mm (1/4 inch). Nonmotorized louvers and grilles shall be fixed in the open position. Motorized louvers shall be interlocked with the appliance so that they are proven to be in the full open position prior to main burner ignition and during main burner operation. Means shall be provided to prevent the main burner from igniting if the louvers fail to open during burner start-up and to shut down the main burner if the louvers close during operation.

G2407.11 (304.11) Combustion air ducts. Combustion air ducts shall comply with all of the following:

1. Ducts shall be constructed of galvanized steel complying with Chapter 16 or of a material having equivalent corrosion resistance, strength and rigidity.

Exception: Within dwellings units, unobstructed stud and joist spaces shall not be prohibited from conveying combustion air, provided that not more than one required fireblock is removed.

2. Ducts shall terminate in an unobstructed space allowing free movement of combustion air to the appliances.
3. Ducts shall serve a single enclosure.
4. Ducts shall not serve both upper and lower combustion air openings where both such openings are used. The separation between ducts serving upper and lower combustion air openings shall be maintained to the source of combustion air.
5. Ducts shall not be screened where terminating in an attic space.
6. Horizontal upper combustion air ducts shall not slope downward toward the source of

combustion air.

7. The remaining space surrounding a *chimney* liner, gas vent, special gas vent or plastic *piping* installed within

a masonry, metal or factory-built *chimney* shall not be used to supply *combustion air*.

Exception: Direct-vent gas-fired *appliances* designed for installation in a solid fuel-burning *fire-place* where installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

8. *Combustion air* intake openings located on the exterior of a building shall have the lowest side of such openings located not less than 305 mm (12 inches) vertically from the adjoining finished ground level.

G2407.12 (304.12) Protection from fumes and gases. Where corrosive or flammable process fumes or gases, other than products of *combustion*, are present, means for the disposal of such fumes or gases shall be provided. Such fumes or gases include carbon monoxide, hydrogen sulfide, ammonia, chlorine and halogenated hydrocarbons.

In barbershops, beauty shops and other facilities where chemicals that generate corrosive or flammable products, such as aerosol sprays, are routinely used, nondirect vent-type *appliances* shall be located in a mechanical room separated or partitioned off from other areas with provisions for *combustion air* and *dilution air* from the outdoors. *Direct-vent appliances* shall be installed in accordance with the *appliance* manufacturer's instructions.

SECTION G2408 (305) INSTALLATION

G2408.1 (305.1) General. *Equipment* and *appliances* shall be installed as required by the terms of their approval, in accordance with the conditions of listing, the manufacturer's instructions and this code. Manufacturer's installation instructions shall be available on the job site at the time of inspection. Where a code provision is less restrictive than the conditions of the listing of the *equipment* or *appliance* or the manufacturer's installation instructions, the conditions of the listing and the manufacturer's installation instructions shall apply.

Unlisted *appliances approved* in accordance with Section G2404.3 shall be limited to uses recommended by the manufacturer and shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions, the provisions of this code and the requirements determined by the *Local Authority*.

G2408.2 (305.3) Elevation of ignition source. *Equipment* and *appliances* having an *ignition source* shall be elevated such that the source of ignition is not less than 455 mm (18 inches) above the floor in *hazardous locations* and public garages, private garages, repair garages, motor fuel-dispensing facilities and parking garages. For the purpose of this section, rooms or spaces that are not part of the *living space* of a *dwelling unit* and that communicate directly with a private garage through openings shall be considered to be part of the private garage.

Exception: Elevation of the *ignition source* is not required for *appliances* that are *listed* as flammable-vapour-ignition resistant.

G2408.2.1 (305.3.1) Installation in residential garages.

In residential garages where *appliances* are installed in a separate, enclosed space having access only from outside of the garage, such *appliances* shall be permitted to be installed at floor level, provided that the required *combustion air* is taken from the exterior of the garage.

G2408.3 (305.5) Private garages. *Appliances* located in private garages shall be installed with a minimum *clearance* of 1,830 mm (6 feet) above the floor.

Exception: The requirements of this section shall not apply where the *appliances* are protected from motor vehicle impact and installed in accordance with Section G2408.2.

G2408.4 (305.7) Clearances from grade. *Equipment* and *appliances* installed at grade level shall be supported on a level concrete slab or other *approved* material extending not less than 76 mm (3 inches) above adjoining grade or shall be suspended not less than 150 mm (6 inches) above adjoining grade. Such supports shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

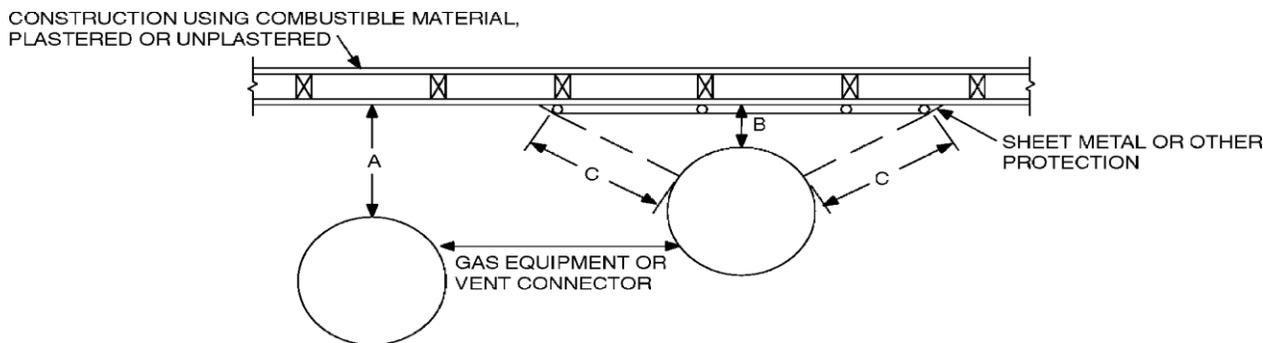
G2408.5 (305.8) Clearances to combustible construction. Heat-producing *equipment* and *appliances* shall be installed to maintain the required clearances to combustible construction as specified in the listing and manufacturer's instructions. Such *clearances* shall be reduced only in accordance with Section G2409. *Clearances* to combustibles shall include such considerations as door swing, drawer pull, overhead projections or shelving and window swing. Devices, such as door stops or limits and closers, shall not be used to provide the required *clearances*.

G2408.6 (305.12) Avoid strain on gas piping. *Appliances* shall be supported and connected to the *piping* so as not to exert undue strain on the connections.

SECTION G2409 (308) CLEARANCE REDUCTION

G2409.1 (308.1) Scope. This section shall govern the reduction in required clearances to *combustible materials*, including gypsum board, and *combustible assemblies* for chimneys, vents, appliances, devices and equipment. Clearance requirements for air-conditioning equipment and central heating boilers and furnaces shall comply with Sections G2409.3 and G2409.4.

G2409.2 (308.2) Reduction table. The allowable *clearance* reduction shall be based on one of the methods specified in Table G2409.2 or shall utilize a reduced *clearance* protective assembly *listed* and *labelled* in accordance with UL 1618. Where required *clearances* are not listed in Table G2409.2, the reduced clearances shall be determined by linear interpolation between the distances listed in the table. Reduced *clearances* shall not be derived by extrapolation below the range of the table. The reduction of the required *clearances* to combustibles for *listed* and *labelled appliances* and *equipment* shall be in accordance with the requirements of this section, except that such *clearances* shall not be reduced where reduction is specifically prohibited by the terms of the *appliance* or *equipment listing* [see Figures G2409.2(1) through 2409.2(3)].

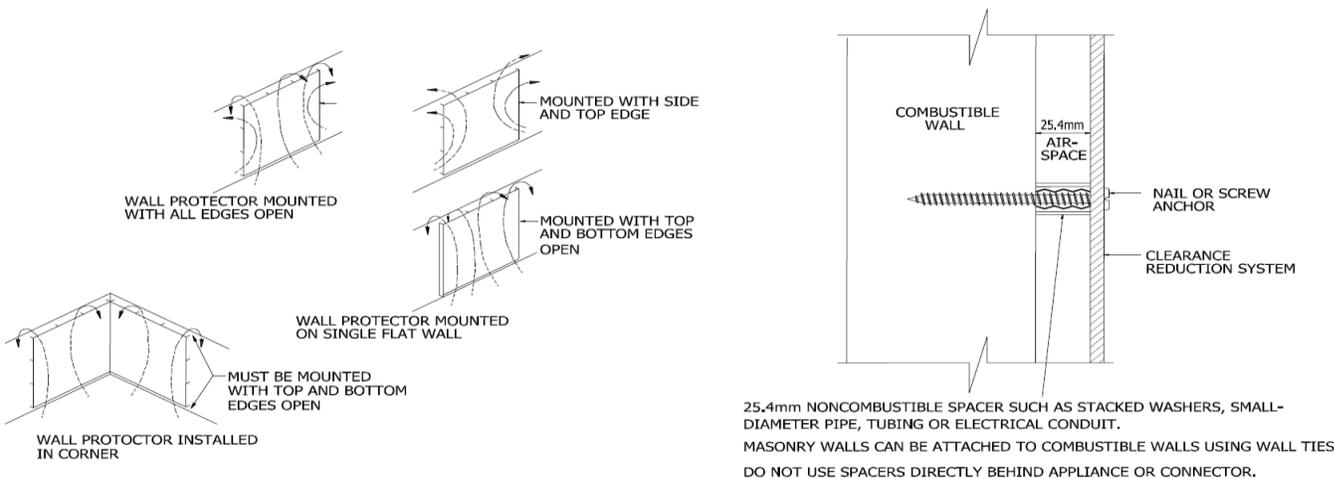


NOTES:

A = the clearance without protection.

B = the reduced clearance permitted in accordance with Table G2409.2. The protection applied to the construction using combustible material shall extend far enough in each direction to make “C” equal to “A.”

FIGURE G2409.2(1) [308.2(1)]
EXTENT OF PROTECTION NECESSARY TO REDUCE CLEARANCES FROM GAS EQUIPMENT OR VENT CONNECTORS



For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch.

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G2409.2(2) [308.2(2)]
WALL PROTECTOR CLEARANCE REDUCTION SYSTEM

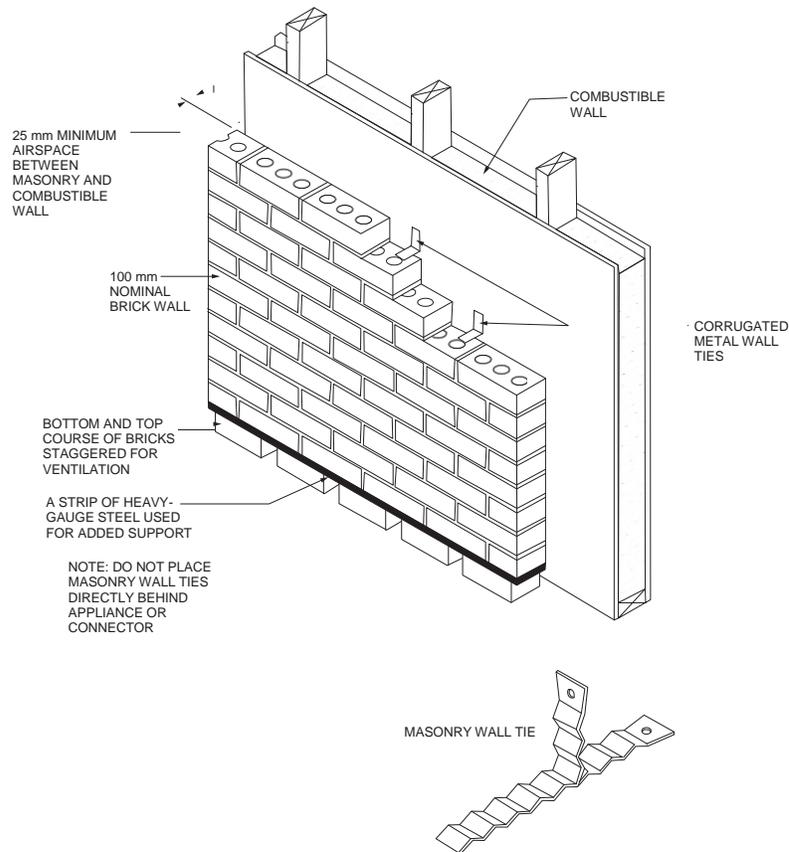
G2409.3 (308.3) Clearances for indoor air-conditioning appliances. Clearance requirements for indoor air-conditioning appliances shall comply with Sections G2409.3.1 through G2409.3.4.

G2409.3.1 (308.3.1) Appliances clearances. Air-conditioning appliances shall be installed with clearances in accordance with the manufacturer’s instructions.

G2409.3.2 (308.3.2) Clearance reduction. Air-conditioning appliances shall be permitted to be installed with reduced clearances to combustible material, provided that

the combustible material or appliance is protected as described in Table G2409.2 and such reduction is allowed by the manufacturer’s instructions.

G2409.3.3 (308.3.3) Plenum clearances. Where the furnace plenum is adjacent to plaster on metal lath or non-combustible material attached to combustible material, the clearance shall be measured to the surface of the plaster or other noncombustible finish where the clearance specified is 51 mm (2 inches) or less.



For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 foot.

**FIGURE G2409.2(3) [308.2(3)]
MASONRY CLEARANCE REDUCTION SYSTEM**

G2409.3.4 (308.3.4) Clearance from supply ducts. Supply air ducts connecting to listed central heating furnaces shall have the same minimum clearance to combustibles as required for the furnace supply plenum for a distance of not less than 915 mm (3 feet) from the supply plenum. Clearance is not required beyond the 915 mm (3-foot) distance.

G2409.4 (308.4) Central-heating boilers and furnaces. Clearance requirements for central-heating boilers and furnaces shall comply with Sections G2409.4.1 through G2409.4.5. The clearance to these appliances shall not interfere with combustion air; draft hood clearance and relief; and accessibility for servicing.

G2409.4.1 (308.4.1) Appliances clearances. Central-heating furnaces and low-pressure boilers shall be installed with clearances in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

G2409.4.2 (308.4.2) Clearance reduction. Central-heating furnaces and low-pressure boilers shall be permitted to be installed with reduced clearances to combustible material provided that the combustible material or appliance is protected as described in Table G2409.2 and such reduction is allowed by the manufacturer's instructions.

G2409.4.3 (308.4.4) Plenum clearances. Where the furnace plenum is adjacent to plaster on metal lath or non-

combustible material attached to combustible material, the clearance shall be measured to the surface of the plaster or other noncombustible finish where the clearance specified is 51 mm (2 inches) or less.

G2409.4.4 (308.4.5) Clearance from supply ducts. Supply air ducts connecting to listed central heating furnaces shall have the same minimum clearance to combustibles as required for the furnace supply plenum for a distance of not less than 915 mm (3 feet) from the supply plenum. Clearance is not required beyond the 915 mm (3-foot) distance.

G2409.4.5 (308.4.3) Clearance for servicing appliances. Front clearance shall be sufficient for servicing the burner and the furnace or boiler.

**SECTION G2410 (309)
ELECTRICAL**

G2410.1 (309.1) Grounding. Gas piping shall not be used as a grounding electrode.

G2410.2 (309.2) Connections. Electrical connections between appliances and the building wiring, including the grounding of the appliances, shall conform to Chapters 34 through 43.

TABLE G2409.2 (308.2)^a through k
REDUCTION OF CLEARANCES WITH SPECIFIED FORMS OF PROTECTION

TYPE OF PROTECTION APPLIED TO AND COVERING ALL SURFACES OF COMBUSTIBLE MATERIAL WITHIN THE DISTANCE SPECIFIED AS THE REQUIRED CLEARANCE WITH NO PROTECTION [see Figures G2409.2(1), G2409.2(2), and G2409.2(3)]	WHERE THE REQUIRED CLEARANCE WITH NO PROTECTION FROM APPLIANCE, VENT CONNECTOR, OR SINGLE-WALL METAL PIPE IS: (Millimeters)									
	915		455		305		230		150	
	Allowable clearances with specified protection (Millimeters)									
	Use Column 1 for clearances above appliance or horizontal connector. Use Column 2 for clearances from appliance, vertical connector and single-wall metal pipe.									
	Above Col. 1	Sides and rear Col. 2	Above Col. 1	Sides and rear Col. 2	Above Col. 1	Sides and rear Col. 2	Above Col. 1	Sides and rear Col. 2	Above Col. 1	Sides and rear Col. 2
1. 88 mm-thick masonry wall without ventilated airspace	—	610	—	305	—	230	—	150	—	125
2. 12.5 mm insulation board over 25 mm glass fiber or mineral wool batts	610	455	305	230	230	150	150	125	100	76
3. 0.61 mm (nominal 24 gage) sheet metal over 25 mm glass fiber or mineral wool batts reinforced with wire on rear face with ventilated airspace	455	305	230	150	150	100	125	76	76	76
4. 88 mm-thick masonry wall with ventilated airspace	—	305	—	150	—	150	—	150	—	150
5. 0.61 mm (nominal 24 gage) sheet metal with ventilated airspace	455	305	230	150	150	100	125	76	76	51
6. 12.5 mm-thick insulation board with ventilated airspace	455	305	230	150	150	100	125	76	76	76
7. 0.61mm (nominal 24 gage) sheet metal with ventilated airspace over 0.61mm (nominal 24 gage) sheet metal with ventilated airspace	455	305	230	150	150	100	125	76	76	76
8. 25 mm glass fiber or mineral wool batts sandwiched between two sheets 0.61mm (nominal 24 gage) sheet metal with ventilated airspace	455	305	230	150	150	100	125	76	76	76

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 foot, °F = [1.8 (°C) + 32], 1 kg/m³ = 0.06242 lb/ft³ 1 W/m² × K = 6.94 Btu/(inch x ft² x hr x °F).

- Reduction of clearances from combustible materials shall not interfere with combustion air, draft hood clearance and relief, and accessibility of servicing.
- Clearances shall be measured from the outer surface of the combustible material to the nearest point on the surface of the appliance, disregarding any intervening protection applied to the combustible material.
- Spacers and ties shall be of noncombustible material. A spacer or tie shall not be used directly opposite an appliance or connector.
- For all clearance reduction systems using a ventilated airspace, adequate provision for air circulation shall be provided as described [see Figures G2409.2(2) and G2409.2(3)].
- There shall be not less than 25 mm between clearance reduction systems and combustible walls and ceilings for reduction systems using ventilated airspace.
- Where a wall protector is mounted on a single flat wall away from corners, it shall have a minimum 25 mm air gap. To provide air circulation, the bottom and top edges, or only the side and top edges, or all edges shall be left open.
- Mineral wool batts (blanket or board) shall have a density of 128.612 k/m³ and a minimum melting point of 816 °C.
- Insulation material used as part of a clearance reduction system shall have a thermal conductivity of 0.144 W/m² or less.
- There shall be not less than 25 mm between the appliance and the protector. In no case shall the clearance between the appliance and the combustible surface be reduced below that allowed in this table.
- Clearances and thicknesses are minimum; larger clearances and thicknesses are acceptable.
- Listed single-wall connectors shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

SECTION G2411 (310) ELECTRICAL BONDING

G2411.1 (310.1) Pipe and tubing other than CSST. Each above-ground portion of a *gas piping system* other than corrugated stainless steel tubing (CSST) that is likely to become energized shall be electrically continuous and bonded to an effective ground-fault current path. *Gas piping* other than CSST shall be considered to be bonded where it is connected to an *appliance* that is connected to the *equipment* grounding conductor of the circuit that supplies that *appliance*.

G2411.2 (310.2) CSST. This section applies to corrugated stainless steel tubing (CSST) that is not listed with an arc-resistant jacket or coating system in accordance with ANSI LC1/CSA 6.26. CSST *gas piping* systems and piping systems containing one or more segments of CSST shall be electrically continuous and bonded to the electrical service grounding electrode system or, where provided, the lightning protection grounding electrode system.

G2411.2.1 (310.2.1) Point of connection. The bonding jumper shall connect to a metallic pipe, pipe fitting or CSST fitting.

G2411.2.2 (310.2.2) Size and material of jumper. The bonding jumper shall be not smaller than 6 AWG or 4 mm² English Wire Gauge (EWG) copper wire or equivalent.

G2411.2.3 (310.2.3) Bonding jumper length. The length of the bonding jumper between the connection to a *gas piping system* and the connection to a grounding electrode system shall not exceed 23,000 mm (75 feet). Any additional grounding electrodes installed to meet this requirement shall be bonded to the electrical service grounding electrode system or, where provided, the lightning protection grounding electrode system.

G2411.2.4 (310.2.4) Bonding connections. Bonding connections shall be in accordance with NFPA 70.

G2411.2.5 (310.2.5) Connection devices. Devices used for making the bonding connections shall be *listed* for the application in accordance with UL 467.

G2411.3 (310.3) Arc-resistant CSST. This section applies to corrugated stainless steel tubing (CSST) that is listed with an arc-resistant jacket or coating system in accordance with ANSI LC1/CSA 6.26. The CSST shall be electrically continuous and bonded to an effective ground fault current path. Where any CSST component of a piping system does not have an arc-resistant jacket or coating system, the bonding requirements of Section G2411.2 shall apply. Arc-resistant-jacketed CSST shall be considered to be bonded where it is connected to an *appliance* that is connected to the *appliance* grounding conductor of the circuit that supplies that *appliance*.

SECTION G2412 (401) GENERAL

G2412.1 (401.1) Scope. This section shall govern the design, installation, modification and maintenance of *piping systems*. The applicability of this *code* to *piping systems* extends from the *point of delivery* to the connections with the *appliances*

and includes the design, materials, components, fabrication, assembly, installation, testing, inspection, operation and maintenance of such *piping systems*.

G2412.1.1 (401.1.1) Utility piping systems located within buildings. Utility service *piping* located within buildings shall be installed in accordance with the structural safety and fire protection provisions of this code.

G2412.2 (401.2) Liquefied petroleum gas storage. The storage system for *liquefied petroleum gas* shall be designed and installed in accordance with the *Jamaica Fire Code* and NFPA 58.

G2412.3 (401.3) Modifications to existing systems. In modifying or adding to existing *piping systems*, sizes shall be maintained in accordance with this chapter.

G2412.4 (401.4) Additional appliances. Where an additional *appliance* is to be served, the existing *piping* shall be checked to determine if it has adequate capacity for all *appliances* served. If inadequate, the existing system shall be enlarged as required or separate *piping* of adequate capacity shall be provided.

G2412.5 (401.5) Identification. For other than steel *pipe*, exposed *piping* shall be identified by a yellow label marked "Gas" in black letters. The marking shall be spaced at intervals not exceeding 1,525 mm (5 feet). The marking shall not be required on *pipe* located in the same room as the *appliance* served.

G2412.6 (401.6) Interconnections. Where two or more *meters* are installed on the same premises but supply separate consumers, the *piping systems* shall not be interconnected on the outlet side of the *meters*.

G2412.7 (401.7) Piping meter identification. *Piping* from multiple *meter* installations shall be marked with an *approved* permanent identification by the installer so that the *piping system* supplied by each *meter* is readily identifiable.

G2412.8 (401.8) Minimum sizes. *Pipe* utilized for the installation, extension and *alteration* of any *piping system* shall be sized to supply the full number of outlets for the intended purpose and shall be sized in accordance with Section G2413.

G2412.9 (401.9) Identification. Each length of pipe and tubing and each pipe fitting, utilized in a fuel gas system, shall bear the identification of the manufacturer.

Exceptions:

1. Steel pipe sections that are 610 mm (2 feet) and less in length and are cut from longer sections of pipe.
2. Steel pipe fittings 51 mm (2 inches) and less in size.
3. Where identification is provided on the product packaging or crating.
4. Where other approved documentation is provided.

G2412.10 (401.10) Piping materials standards. Piping, tubing and fittings shall be manufactured to the applicable referenced standards, specifications and performance criteria listed in Section G2414 and shall be identified in accordance with Section G2412.9.

SECTION G2413 (402) PIPE SIZING

G2413.1 (402.1) General considerations. *Piping systems* shall be of such size and so installed as to provide a supply of gas sufficient to meet the maximum *demand* and supply gas to each *appliance* inlet at not less than the minimum supply pressure required by the *appliance*.

G2413.2 (402.2) Maximum gas demand. The volumetric flow rate of gas to be provided shall be the sum of the maximum input of the *appliances* served.

The total connected hourly load shall be used as the basis for pipe sizing, assuming that all appliances could be operating at full capacity simultaneously. Where a diversity of load can be established, pipe sizing shall be permitted to be based on such loads.

The volumetric flow rate of gas to be provided shall be adjusted for altitude where the installation is above 610 m (2,000 feet) in elevation.

G2413.3 (402.3) Sizing. *Gas piping* shall be sized in accordance with one of the following:

1. *Pipe* sizing tables or sizing equations in accordance with Section G2413.4 or G2413.5, as applicable.
2. The sizing tables included in a *listed piping* system's manufacturer's installation instructions.
3. Other *approved* engineering methods.

G2413.4 (402.4) Sizing tables and equations. This section applies to piping materials other than noncorrugated stainless steel tubing. Where Tables G2413.4(1) through G2413.4(21) are used to size *piping* or *tubing*, the *pipe* length shall be determined in accordance with Section G2413.4.1, G2413.4.2 or G2413.4.3.

Where Equations 24-3 and 24-4 are used to size *piping* or *tubing*, the *pipe* or *tubing* shall have smooth inside walls and the pipe length shall be determined in accordance with Section G2413.4.1, G2413.4.2 or G2413.4.3.1. Low-pressure gas equation [Less than 10.3 kPa {1½ pounds per square inch (psi)}]:

$$D = \frac{Q^{0.381}}{19.17 \left(\frac{\Delta H}{C_r \times L} \right)^{0.206}}$$

2. High-pressure gas equation [10.3 kPa (1½ psi) and above]:

$$D = \frac{Q^{0.381}}{18.93 \left[\frac{(P_1^2 - P_2^2) \times Y}{C_r \times L} \right]^{0.206}} \quad \text{(Equation 24-4)}$$

Where:

D = Inside diameter of *pipe*, mm (inches).

Q = Input rate *appliance(s)*, m³/h [cubic feet per hour] at 16 °C (60°F) and 760 mm (30-inch) mercury column.

P_1 = Upstream pressure, kPa ($P_1 + 101.36$) [($P_1 + 14.7$) psia].

P_2 = Downstream pressure, kPa ($P_2 + 101.36$).

L = Equivalent length of *pipe*, mm (feet).

ΔH = *Pressure drop*, millimetre water column (704-mm water column = 6.895 kPa).

TABLE G2413.4 (402.4) C_r AND Y VALUES FOR NATURAL GAS AND UNDILUTED PROPANE AT STANDARD CONDITIONS

GAS	EQUATION FACTORS	
	C _r	Y
Natural gas	0.6094	0.9992
Undiluted propane	1.2462	0.9910

For Inch Pound Units: 1 m² = 35.7143 ft², 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1-kPaa = 4.016 inchwater column, 1 kPa = 0.145 lb/in², 1 W = 3.413 Btu/H.

G2413.4.1 (402.4.1) Longest length method. The *pipe* size of each section of *gas piping* shall be determined using the longest length of *piping* from the *point of delivery* to the most remote *outlet* and the load of the section.

G2413.4.2 (402.4.2) Branch length method. *Pipe* shall be sized as follows:

1. *Pipe* size of each section of the longest *pipe* run from the *point of delivery* to the most remote *outlet* shall be determined using the longest run of *piping* and the load of the section.
2. The *pipe* size of each section of branch *piping* not previously sized shall be determined using the length of *piping* from the *point of delivery* to the most remote *outlet* in each branch and the load of the section.

G2413.4.3 (402.4.3) Hybrid pressure. The *pipe* size for each section of higher pressure *gas piping* shall be determined using the longest length of *piping* from the *point of delivery* to the most remote line *pressure regulator*. The *pipe* size from the line *pressure regulator* to each *outlet* shall be determined using the length of *piping* from the *regulator* to the most remote outlet served by the *regulator*.

G2413.5 (402.5) Noncorrugated stainless steel tubing. Noncorrugated stainless steel tubing shall be sized in accordance with Equations 24-3 and 24-4 of Section 2413.4 in conjunction with Section 2413.4.1, 2413.4.2 or 2413.4.3.

G2413.6 (402.6) Allowable pressure drop. The design pressure loss in any *piping system* under maximum probable flow conditions, from the *point of delivery* to the inlet connection of the *appliance*, shall be such that the supply pressure at the *appliance* is greater than or equal to the minimum pressure required by the *appliance*.

G2413.7 (402.7) Maximum operating pressure. The maximum design operating pressure for *piping systems* located inside buildings shall not exceed 34 kPa gauge [5 pounds per square inch gauge (psig)] except where one or more of the following conditions are met:

1. The *piping* joints are welded or brazed.
2. The piping joints are flanged and pipeto flange connections are made by welding or brazing.
3. The *piping* is located in a ventilated chase or otherwise enclosed for protection against

accidental gas accumulation.

4. The *piping* is a temporary installation for buildings under construction.

G2413.7.1 (402.7.1) Operation below -21 °C (-5°F). LP-gas systems designed to operate below -21 °C (-5°F) or with butane or a propane-butane mix shall be designed to either accommodate liquid LP-gas or prevent LP-gas vapour from condensing into a liquid.

**SECTION G2414 (403)
PIPING MATERIALS**

G2414.1 (403.1) General. Materials used for *piping systems* shall comply with the requirements of this chapter or shall be *approved*.

G2414.2 (403.2) Used materials. *Pipe*, fittings, *valves* or other materials shall not be used again unless they are free from foreign materials and have been ascertained to be adequate for the service intended.

G2414.3 (403.3) Other materials. Material not covered by the standards specifications listed herein shall be investigated and tested to determine that it is safe and suitable for the proposed service, and, in addition, shall be recommended for that service by the manufacturer and shall be *approved* by the *Local Authority*.

G2414.4 (403.4) Metallic pipe. Metallic *pipe* shall comply with Sections G2414.4.1 and G2414.4.2.

G2414.4.1 (403.4.1) Cast iron. Cast-iron *pipe* shall not be used.

G2414.4.2 (403.4.2) Steel. Steel, stainless steel and wrought-iron *pipe* shall not be lighter than Schedule 10 and shall comply with the dimensional standards of ASME B36.10, 10M and one of the following standards:

1. ASTM A53/A53M.
2. ASTM A106.
3. ASTM A312.

G2414.5 (403.5) Metallic tubing. *Tubing* shall not be used with gases corrosive to the tubing material.

G2414.5.1 (403.5.1) Steel tubing. Steel *tubing* shall comply with ASTM A254.

G2414.5.2 (403.5.2) Stainless steel. Stainless steel tubing shall comply with ASTM A268 or ASTM A269.

G2414.5.3 (403.5.3) Copper or copper-alloy tubing. Copper *tubing* shall comply with Standard Type K or L of ASTM B88 or ASTM B280.

Copper and copper-alloy *tubing* shall not be used if the gas contains more than an average of 0.7 milligrams per 100 liters (0.3 grains of hydrogen sulfide per 100 standard cubic feet) of gas .

G2414.5.4 (403.5.5) Corrugated stainless steel tubing. Corrugated stainless steel *tubing* shall be *listed* in accordance with ANSI LC1/CSA 6.26.

G2414.6 (403.6) Plastic pipe, tubing and fittings. Polyethylene plastic pipe, tubing and fittings used to supply fuel gas shall conform

to ASTM D2513. Such pipe shall be marked “Gas” and “ASTM D2513.”

Polyamide pipe, tubing and fittings shall be identified and conform to ASTM F2945. Such pipe shall be marked “Gas” and “ASTM F2945.”

Polyvinyl chloride (PVC) and chlorinated polyvinyl chloride (CPVC) plastic pipe, tubing and fittings shall not be used to supply fuel gas.

G2414.6.1 (403.6.1) Anodeless risers. Plastic pipe, tubing and anodeless risers shall comply with the following:

1. Factory-assembled anodeless risers shall be recommended by the manufacturer for the gas used and shall be leak tested by the manufacturer in accordance with written procedures.
2. Service head adapters and field-assembled anodeless risers incorporating service head adapters shall be recommended by the manufacturer for the gas used, and shall be designed and certified to meet the requirements of Category I of ASTM D2513, and

U.S. Department of Transportation, Code of Federal Regulations, Title 49, Part 192.281(e). The manufacturer shall provide the user with qualified installation instructions as prescribed by the U.S. Department of Transportation, Code of Federal Regulations, Title 49, Part 192.283(b).

G2414.6.2 (403.6.2) LP-gas systems. The use of plastic pipe, tubing and fittings in undiluted liquefied petroleum gas *piping* systems shall be in accordance with NFPA 58.

G2414.6.3 (403.6.3) Regulator vent piping. Plastic pipe and fittings used to connect *regulator* vents to remote vent terminations shall be of PVC conforming to ANSI/UL 651. PVC vent *piping* shall not be installed indoors.

G2414.7 (403.7) Workmanship and defects. *Pipe*, *tubing* and fittings shall be clear and free from cutting burrs and defects in structure or threading, and shall be thoroughly brushed, and chip and scale blown.

Defects in *pipe*, *tubing* and fittings shall not be repaired. Defective *pipe*, *tubing* and fittings shall be replaced. (See Section G2417.1.2.)

G2414.8 (403.8) Protective coating. Where in contact with material or atmosphere exerting a corrosive action, metallic *piping* and fittings coated with a corrosion-resistant material shall be used. External or internal coatings or linings used on *piping* or components shall not be considered as adding strength.

G2414.9 (403.9) Metallic pipe threads. Metallic *pipe* and fitting threads shall be taper *pipe* threads and shall comply with ASME B1.20.1.

G2414.9.1 (403.9.1) Damaged threads. *Pipe* with threads that are stripped, chipped, corroded or otherwise damaged shall not be used. Where a weld opens during the operation of cutting or threading, that portion of the *pipe* shall not be used.

G2414.9.2 (403.9.2) Number of threads. Field threading of metallic *pipe* shall be in accordance with Table G2414.9.2.

TABLE G2414.9.2 (403.9.2)
SPECIFICATIONS FOR THREADING METALLIC PIPE

IRON PIPE SIZE (Millimeters)	APPROXIMATE LENGTH OF THREADED PORTION (Millimeters)	APPROXIMATE NO. OF THREADS TO BE CUT
12.5	19	10
19	19	10
25	22	10
32	25	11
38	25	11

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch.

G2414.9.3 (403.9.3) Thread joint compounds. Thread joint compounds shall be resistant to the action of liquefied petroleum gas or to any other chemical constituents of the gases to be conducted through the *pipng*.

G2414.10 (403.10) Metallic piping joints and fittings. The type of *pipng* joint used shall be suitable for the pressure-temperature conditions and shall be selected giving consideration to joint tightness and mechanical strength under the service conditions. The joint shall be able to sustain the maximum end force caused by the internal pressure and any additional forces caused by temperature expansion or contraction, vibration, fatigue, or to the weight of the *pipe* and its contents.

G2414.10.1 (403.10.1) Pipe joints. Schedule 40 and heavier *pipe* joints shall be threaded, flanged, brazed, welded or assembled with press-connect fittings listed in accordance with ANSI LC4/CSA 6.32. Pipe lighter than Schedule 40 shall be connected using press-connect fittings, flanges, brazing or welding. Where nonferrous *pipe* is brazed, the *brazing* materials shall have a melting point in excess of 538 °C (1,000°F). *Brazing* alloys shall not contain more than 0.05-percent phosphorus.

G2414.10.2 (403.10.2) Copper tubing joints. Copper *tubing* joints shall be assembled with *approved gas tubing* fittings, shall be brazed with a material having a melting point in excess of 538 °C (1,000°F) or assembled with press-connect fittings listed in accordance with ANSI LC4/CSA 6.32. *Brazing alloys* shall not contain more than 0.05-percent phosphorus.

G2414.10.3 (403.10.3) Stainless steel tubing joints. Stainless steel tubing joints shall be welded, assembled with approved tubing fittings, brazed with a material having a melting point in excess of 538 °C (1,000°F), or assembled with press-connect fittings listed in accordance with ANSI LC4/CSA 6.32.

G2414.10.4 (403.10.4) Flared joints. *Flared joints* shall be used only in systems constructed from nonferrous *pipe* and *tubing* where experience or tests have demonstrated that the joint is suitable for the conditions and where provisions are made in the design to prevent separation of the joints.

G2414.10.5 (403.10.5) Metallic fittings. Metallic fittings shall comply with the following:

1. Fittings used with steel, stainless steel or wrought-iron *pipe* shall be steel, stainless steel, copper alloy,

malleable iron or cast iron.

2. Fittings used with copper or copper alloy *pipe* shall be copper or copper alloy.
3. Cast-iron bushings shall be prohibited.
4. Special fittings. Fittings such as couplings, proprietary-type joints, saddle tees, gland-type compression fittings, and flared, flareless and compression-type *tubing* fittings shall be: used within the fitting manufacturer's pressure-temperature recommendations; used within the service conditions anticipated with respect to vibration, fatigue, thermal expansion and contraction; and shall be *approved*.
5. Where pipe fittings are drilled and tapped in the field, the operation shall be in accordance with all of the following:
 - 5.1. The operation shall be performed on systems having operating pressures of 34.5 kPa (5 psi) or less.
 - 5.2. The operation shall be performed by the gas supplier or the gas supplier's designated representative.
 - 5.3. The drilling and tapping operation shall be performed in accordance with written procedures prepared by the gas supplier.
 - 5.4. The fittings shall be located outdoors.
 - 5.5. The tapped fitting assembly shall be inspected and proven to be free of leakage.

G2414.11 (403.11) Plastic piping, joints and fittings. Plastic *pipe*, *tubing* and fittings shall be joined in accordance with the manufacturers' instructions. Such joints shall comply with the following:

1. The joints shall be designed and installed so that the longitudinal pull-out resistance of the joint will be greater than or equal to the tensile strength of the plastic *pipng* material.
2. Heat-fusion joints shall be made in accordance with qualified procedures that have been established and proven by test to produce gas-tight joints as strong as or stronger than the *pipe* or *tubing* being joined. Joints shall be made with the joining method recommended by the *pipe* manufacturer. Heat fusion fittings shall be marked "ASTM D2513."
3. Where compression-type *mechanical joints* are used, the gasket material in the fitting shall be compatible with the plastic *pipng* and with the gas distributed by the system. An internal tubular rigid stiffener shall be used in conjunction with the fitting. The stiffener shall be flush with the end of the *pipe* or *tubing* and shall extend to or beyond the outside end of the compression fitting when installed. The stiffener shall be free of rough or sharp edges and shall not be a force-fit in the plastic. Split tubular stiffeners shall not be used.
4. Plastic *pipng* joints and fittings for use in *liquefied petroleum gas pipng systems* shall be in accordance with NFPA 58.

FUEL GAS

**TABLE G2413.4(1) [402.4(2)]
SCHEDULE 40 METALLIC PIPE**

Gas	Natural
Inlet Pressure	Less than 13.79 kPa
Pressure Drop	0.1244 kPa.
Specific Gravity	0.60

PIPE SIZE (mm)														
Nominal	12.5	19	25	32	38	51	64	76	100	125	150	205	255	305
Actual ID	15.199	20.930	26.645	35.052	40.894	52.502	62.713	77.927	102.260	128.194	154.051	202.717	254.508	303.225
Length (mm)	Capacity in m ³ /h													
3,050	4.868	10.188	19.187	39.337	59.147	113.766	181.120	319.790	653.730	1,182.940	1,913.080	3,933.700	7,131.600	11,291.700
6,100	3.339	4.990	13.188	27.083	40.469	78.108	124.520	220.174	449.970	812.210	1,315.950	2,702.650	4,895.900	7,782.500
9,150	2.689	5.632	10.584	21.734	32.545	62.826	99.899	176.875	359.410	650.900	1,055.590	2,170.610	3,933.700	6,226.000
12,200	2.292	4.811	9.056	18.593	27.876	53.770	85.466	151.405	308.470	557.510	902.770	1,856.48	3,367.700	5,348.700
15,250	2.038	4.273	8.037	16.499	24.706	47.544	75.844	134.142	273.378	495.250	800.890	1,647.060	2,999.800	4,726.100
18,300	1.840	3.877	7.273	14.942	22.385	43.016	68.769	121.407	247.908	447.140	724.480	1,491.410	2,708.310	4,301.600
21,350	1.698	3.566	6.707	13.754	20.602	39.620	63.109	111.785	227.815	413.180	667.880	1,372.550	2,493.230	3,933.700
24,400	1.585	3.311	6.226	12.792	19.159	36.790	58.864	103.861	211.967	384.880	622.600	1,276.330	2,317.770	3,679.000
27,450	1.472	3.113	5.858	12.000	19.971	34.526	55.185	97.635	198.949	359.410	582.980	1,197.090	2,176.270	3,452.600
30,500	1.415	2.943	5.519	11.320	16.980	32.828	52.072	92.258	187.912	339.600	551.850	1,132.000	2,054.580	3,254.500
38,100	1.245	2.604	4.896	10.047	15.056	28.866	46.129	81.787	166.687	299.980	486.760	1,001.820	1,819.690	2,886.600
45,500	1.132	2.349	4.443	9.113	13.641	26.262	41.884	73.863	150.839	273.095	441.480	908.430	1,649.890	2,612.090
53,125	1.047	2.179	4.075	8.377	12.537	24.168	38.488	68.203	138.953	251.304	407.520	834.850	1,516.880	2,402.670
61,000	0.962	2.009	3.792	7.783	11.660	22.470	35.941	63.392	129.048	233.758	379.220	778.250	1,412.170	2,235.700
76,250	0.849	1.783	3.368	6.905	10.358	19.923	31.696	56.034	114.615	207.156	336.770	687.690	1,250.860	1,981.000
91,500	0.764	1.613	3.056	6.254	9.367	18.055	28.866	50.940	103.861	187.629	302.810	625.430	1,134.830	1,794.220
106,750	0.708	1.500	2.802	5.745	8.632	16.612	26.461	46.695	95.371	172.630	279.604	574.490	1,044.270	1,652.720
122,000	0.651	1.387	2.604	5.349	8.009	15.452	24.621	43.582	88.862	160.744	260.077	534.870	970.690	1,536.69
137,250	0.623	1.302	2.434	5.009	7.528	14.490	23.093	40.752	83.202	150.839	243.946	500.910	911.260	1,440.470
152,500	0.594	1.217	2.321	4.754	7.103	13.697	21.819	38.488	78.674	142.349	230.645	472.610	860.320	1,361.230
167,750	0.566	1.160	2.207	4.500	6.764	12.990	20.716	36.507	74.712	135.274	219.042	449.970	829.900	1,293.310
183,000	0.538	1.104	2.094	4.302	6.452	12.395	19.782	35.092	71.316	129.048	208.854	430.160	778.250	1,233.880
198,250	0.509	1.075	2.009	4.104	6.169	11.886	18.933	33.394	68.203	123.388	200.081	410.350	747.120	1,182.940
213,500	0.481	1.019	1.924	3.962	5.915	11.405	18.198	32.262	65.656	118.577	192.157	396.200	715.990	1,134.830
228,750	0.481	0.991	1.868	3.821	5.717	11.009	17.518	31.090	63.109	114.332	185.082	379.220	690.520	1,092.380
244,000	0.453	0.962	1.783	3.679	5.519	10.613	16.923	29.998	61.128	110.370	178.856	367.900	667.880	1,055.590
259,250	0.453	0.934	1.726	3.566	5.349	10.273	16.386	28.866	59.147	106.974	172.913	356.580	645.240	1,021.630
274,500	0.425	0.906	1.670	3.453	5.179	9.962	15.876	28.074	57.166	103.578	167.819	345.260	625.430	990.500
289,750	0.425	0.877	1.641	3.339	5.037	9.679	15.424	27.253	55.468	100.465	163.008	333.940	608.450	962.200
305,000	0.396	0.849	1.585	3.255	4.896	9.424	14.999	26.517	54.053	97.918	158.480	325.450	591.470	936.730
335,500	0.396	0.792	1.500	3.085	4.641	8.943	14.235	25.187	51.223	92.824	150.556	308.470	560.340	888.620
366,000	0.368	0.764	1.443	2.943	4.415	8.518	13.584	24.027	48.959	88.579	143.481	294.320	534.870	849.000
396,500	0.340	0.736	1.387	2.830	4.245	8.179	13.018	23.008	46.978	84.900	137.538	282.434	512.230	812.210
427,000	0.340	0.708	1.330	2.717	4.075	7.839	12.509	22.102	44.997	81.504	132.161	271.397	492.420	781.080
457,500	0.311	0.679	1.274	2.632	3.934	7.556	12.056	21.282	43.299	78.674	127.350	261.492	475.440	752.780
488,000	0.311	0.651	1.245	2.519	3.792	7.301	11.631	20.574	41.884	75.844	122.822	252.436	458.460	724.480
518,500	0.311	0.623	1.189	2.434	3.679	7.075	11.263	19.895	40.469	73.297	118.86	244.229	444.310	701.840
549,000	0.283	0.623	1.160	2.377	3.566	6.849	10.924	19.301	39.337	71.316	115.181	236.871	430.160	682.030
579,500	0.283	0.594	1.132	2.292	3.453	6.651	10.613	18.735	38.205	69.052	112.068	230.079	418.840	662.220
610,000	NA	0.566	1.104	2.236	3.368	6.481	10.301	18.225	37.073	67.354	108.955	223.853	407.520	642.410

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 kPa = 0.145 pound per square inch, 1 kPa = 4.0193-inch water column, 1 W = 3.4118 British thermal unit per hour, 1 m³/h = 35.3357 cubic foot per hour, 1 degree = 0.01745 rad.

Notes:

1. NA means a flow of less than 0.283 m³/h (10 cfh).
2. Table entries have been rounded to three significant digits.

**TABLE G2413.4(2) [402.4(5)]
SCHEDULE 40 METALLIC PIPE**

Gas	Natural
Inlet Pressure	13.79 kPa
Pressure Drop	6.895 kPa
Specific Gravity	0.60

PIPE SIZE (mm)									
Nominal	12.5	19	25	32	38	51	64	76	100
Actual ID	15.799	20.930	26.645	35.052	40.894	52.502	62.713	77.927	102.260
Length (mm)	Capacity in m ³ /h								
3,050	42.733	86.032	157.348	322.620	483.930	931.070	1,485.750	2,626.240	5,348.700
6,100	30.281	60.845	111.219	228.381	342.430	659.390	4,049.930	1,856.480	3,792.200
9,150	24.593	49.808	90.843	186.497	279.604	537.700	857.490	1,516.880	3,084.700
12,200	21.310	43.016	78.674	161.593	241.965	466.950	744.290	1,313.120	2,680.010
15,250	19.046	38.488	70.467	144.613	216.495	416.010	665.050	1,174.450	2,397.010
18,300	17.405	35.092	64.241	131.878	197.534	382.050	605.620	1,072.570	2,187.590
21,350	16.103	32.545	59.430	122.256	183.101	353.750	563.170	993.330	2,026.280
24,400	15.056	30.564	55.751	114.332	171.215	331.110	526.380	928.240	1,896.100
27,450	14.207	28.583	52.355	107.823	161.310	311.300	495.250	874.470	1,785.730
30,500	13.075	26.432	48.393	99.333	148.858	285.830	455.630	806.550	1,647.060
38,100	11.716	23.659	43.299	88.862	133.010	256.398	407.520	721.650	1,474.430
45,500	10.528	21.253	38.771	79.806	119.426	230.079	367.900	648.070	1,321.610
53,125	9.735	19.669	35.941	73.608	110.653	213.099	339.600	599.960	1,225.390
61,000	8.999	18.169	33.111	68.203	102.163	196.968	314.130	554.680	1,132.000
76,250	7.896	16.499	29.432	60.562	90.843	174.894	278.755	492.420	1,004.65
31,500	7.160	14.942	26.744	54.902	82.353	158.480	252.436	447.140	911.260
106,750	6.566	13.754	24.593	50.657	75.561	145.745	232.343	410.350	837.680
122,000	6.113	12.792	22.895	46.978	70.467	135.557	216.212	382.050	778.250
137,250	5.745	11.999	21.480	44.148	65.939	127.350	202.911	359.410	730.140
152,500	5.434	11.348	20.291	41.601	62.543	120.275	191.591	339.600	690.520
167,750	5.151	10.782	19.272	39.620	59.147	114.049	181.969	322.620	656.560
183,000	4.924	10.273	18.395	37.639	56.000	108.955	173.479	305.640	625.430
198,250	4.699	9.848	17.603	36.224	54.053	104.144	166.121	294.320	599.960
213,500	4.528	9.452	16.923	34.809	52.072	100.182	159.612	282.151	574.490
228,750	4.358	9.113	16.301	33.394	50.091	96.503	153.952	271.963	554.680
244,000	4.217	8.801	15.735	32.262	48.393	93.107	148.575	262.624	534.870
259,250	4.075	8.518	15.225	31.130	46.695	90.277	143.764	254.134	517.890
274,500	3.934	8.264	14.773	30.281	45.280	87.447	139.519	246.493	503.740
289,750	3.821	8.009	14.348	29.432	44.148	84.900	135.274	239.418	486.760
305,000	3.736	7.783	13.952	28.583	43.016	82.636	131.595	232.626	475.440
335,500	3.538	7.415	13.244	27.168	40.752	78.391	125.086	221.023	449.970
366,000	3.368	7.075	12.622	25.951	38.771	74.712	119.426	210.835	430.160
396,500	3.226	6.764	12.084	24.847	37.356	71.599	114.332	202.062	413.180
427,000	3.113	6.509	11.631	23.857	35.658	68.769	109.804	194.138	396.200
457,500	3.000	6.254	11.207	22.980	34.526	66.222	105.842	186.780	382.050
488,000	2.887	6.056	10.811	22.187	33.394	63.958	102.163	180.554	367.900
518,500	2.802	5.858	10.471	21.480	32.262	61.977	98.767	174.611	356.580
549,000	2.717	5.660	10.131	20.829	31.130	59.996	95.937	169.234	345.260
579,500	2.632	5.519	9.848	20.235	30.281	58.298	93.107	164.423	336.770
610,000	2.575	5.349	9.594	19.669	29.432	56.883	90.560	159.895	325.450

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 kPa = 0.145 pound per square inch, 1 kPa = 4.02-inch water column, 1 W = 3.412 British thermal unit per hour, 1 m³/h = 35.336 cubic foot per hour, 1 degree = 0.01745 rad.

Note: Table entries have been rounded to three significant digits.

FUEL GAS

**TABLE G2413.4(3) [402.4(9)]
SEMIRIGID COPPER TUBING**

Gas	Natural
Inlet Pressure	Less than 13.79 kPa
Pressure Drop	0.1244 kPa.
Specific Gravity	0.60

TUBE SIZE (mm)										
Nominal	K & L	6.35	10	12.5	16	19	25	32	38	51
	ACR	10	12.5	16	19	22	28	35	—	—
Outside		9.525	12.700	15.875	19.050	22.225	28.575	34.925	41.275	53.975
Inside		7.747	10.211	13.386	16.561	18.923	25.273	31.623	37.617	49.759
Length (mm)		Capacity in m³/h								
3,050		0.764	1.557	3.141	5.519	7.811	16.697	29.998	47.544	98.767
6,100		0.509	1.075	2.179	3.792	5.377	11.490	20.659	32.545	67.920
9,150		0.425	0.849	1.726	3.028	4.302	9.226	16.584	26.178	54.619
12,200		0.368	0.736	1.500	2.604	3.707	7.896	14.207	22.385	46.695
15,250		0.311	0.651	1.330	2.321	3.283	6.990	12.594	19.838	41.318
18,300		0.283	0.594	1.189	2.094	2.972	6.339	11.405	17.971	37.356
21,350		NA	0.538	1.104	1.924	2.717	5.830	10.499	16.556	34.526
24,400		NA	0.509	1.019	1.783	2.547	5.434	9.764	15.395	31.979
27,450		NA	0.481	0.962	1.670	2.377	5.094	9.169	14.433	29.998
30,500		NA	0.453	0.906	1.585	2.236	4.811	8.660	13.641	28.300
38,100		NA	0.396	0.792	1.415	1.981	4.273	7.669	12.084	25.187
45,500		NA	0.368	0.736	1.274	1.811	3.849	6.934	10.952	22.810
53,125		NA	0.340	0.679	1.160	1.670	3.538	6.396	10.075	20.999
61,000		NA	0.311	0.623	1.104	1.557	3.311	5.943	9.367	19.527
76,250		NA	NA	0.566	0.962	1.358	2.915	5.264	8.320	17.320
91,500		NA	NA	0.509	0.877	1.245	2.660	4.783	7.528	15.678
106,750		NA	NA	0.453	0.792	1.132	2.434	4.387	6.934	14.433
122,000		NA	NA	0.425	0.736	1.075	2.264	4.075	6.452	13.414
137,250		NA	NA	0.396	0.708	0.991	2.123	3.821	6.056	12.594
152,500		NA	NA	0.368	0.651	0.934	2.009	3.622	5.717	11.886
167,750		NA	NA	0.368	0.623	0.906	1.924	3.453	5.434	11.292
183,000		NA	NA	0.340	0.594	0.849	1.811	3.283	5.179	10.782
198,250		NA	NA	0.340	0.566	0.821	1.755	3.141	4.953	10.330
213,500		NA	NA	0.311	0.566	0.792	1.670	3.028	4.754	9.905
228,750		NA	NA	0.311	0.538	0.764	1.613	2.915	4.585	9.565
244,000		NA	NA	0.283	0.509	0.736	1.557	2.802	4.415	9.226
259,250		NA	NA	0.283	0.509	0.708	1.500	2.717	4.273	8.915
274,500		NA	NA	NA	0.481	0.679	1.472	2.632	4.160	8.660
289,750		NA	NA	NA	0.481	0.679	1.415	2.547	4.047	8.405
305,000		NA	NA	NA	0.453	0.651	1.387	2.490	3.934	8.179
335,500		NA	NA	NA	0.425	0.623	1.302	2.377	3.736	7.754
366,000		NA	NA	NA	0.425	0.594	1.245	2.264	3.566	7.415
396,500		NA	NA	NA	0.396	0.566	1.189	2.151	3.396	7.103
427,000		NA	NA	NA	0.368	0.538	1.160	2.066	3.283	6.820
457,500		NA	NA	NA	0.368	0.509	1.104	2.009	3.141	6.566
488,000		NA	NA	NA	0.368	0.509	1.075	1.924	3.056	6.339
518,500		NA	NA	NA	0.340	0.481	1.047	1.868	2.943	6.141
549,000		NA	NA	NA	0.340	0.481	1.019	1.811	2.858	5.943
579,500		NA	NA	NA	0.311	0.453	0.991	1.755	2.773	5.773
610,000		NA	NA	NA	0.311	0.453	0.962	1.698	2.689	5.632

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 kPa = 0.145 pound per square inch, 1 kPa = 4.02-inch water column, 1 W = 3.412 British thermal unit per hour, 1 m³/h = 35.336 cubic foot per hour, 1 degree = 0.01745 rad.

Notes:

1. Table capacities are based on Type K copper tubing inside diameter (shown), which has the smallest inside diameter of the copper tubing products.
2. NA means a flow of less than 0.283 m³/h (10 cfh).
3. Table entries have been rounded to three significant digits.

**TABLE G2413.4(4) [402.4(12)]
SEMIRIGID COPPER TUBING**

	Gas	Natural
	Inlet Pressure	13.79 kPa
	Pressure Drop	6.895 kPa
	Specific Gravity	0.60

TUBE SIZE (mm)										
Nominal	K & L	6.35	10	12.5	16	19	25	32	38	51
	ACR	10	12.5	16	19	22	28	35	—	—
Outside		9.525	12.7	15.875	19.05	22.225	28.575	34.925	41.275	53.975
Inside		7.747	10.211	13.386	16.561	18.923	25.273	31.623	37.617	49.759
Length (mm)		Capacity in m ³ /h								
3,050		6.934	14.320	29.149	50.940	72.165	154.235	277.906	438.650	911.260
6,100		4.783	9.849	20.036	35.092	49.808	106.125	191.025	299.980	628.260
9,150		3.821	7.896	16.074	28.102	39.903	85.183	153.386	241.965	503.740
12,200		3.283	6.764	13.754	24.055	34.243	73.014	131.312	206.873	430.160
15,250		2.915	6.000	12.197	21.338	30.281	64.524	116.313	183.384	382.050
18,300		2.632	5.434	11.065	19.329	27.423	58.581	105.559	166.121	345.260
21,350		2.434	5.009	10.160	17.772	25.215	53.770	97.069	152.820	319.790
24,400		2.264	4.641	9.452	16.527	23.461	50.091	90.277	142.349	297.150
27,450		2.123	4.358	8.886	15.508	22.017	46.978	84.617	133.576	277.906
30,500		2.009	4.132	8.377	14.659	20.801	44.431	80.089	125.935	262.624
38,100		1.783	3.651	7.443	12.990	18.423	39.337	70.750	111.785	232.626
45,500		1.613	3.311	6.735	11.773	16.697	35.658	64.241	101.314	210.835
53,125		1.472	3.056	6.198	10.839	15.367	32.828	59.147	93.107	193.855
61,000		1.387	2.830	5.773	10.075	14.292	30.564	54.902	86.598	180.554
76,250		1.217	2.519	5.122	8.915	12.678	27.055	48.676	76.693	159.895
91,500		1.104	2.264	4.641	8.094	11.490	24.508	44.148	69.618	144.896
106,750		1.019	2.094	4.245	7.443	10.556	22.555	40.469	63.958	133.293
122,000		0.934	1.953	3.962	6.934	9.820	20.970	37.639	59.430	123.954
137,250		0.877	1.840	3.707	6.509	9.226	19.697	35.375	55.751	116.313
152,000		0.849	1.726	3.509	6.141	8.716	18.593	33.394	52.921	109.804
167,750		0.792	1.641	3.339	5.830	8.264	17.659	31.696	50.091	104.427
183,000		0.764	1.557	3.170	5.547	7.896	16.839	30.281	47.827	99.616
198,250		0.736	1.500	3.056	5.320	7.556	16.131	29.149	45.846	95.371
213,500		0.708	1.443	2.915	5.122	7.245	15.508	27.904	43.865	91.692
228,750		0.679	1.387	2.830	4.924	6.990	14.942	26.885	42.450	88.296
244,000		0.651	1.330	2.717	4.754	6.764	14.433	25.951	41.035	85.183
259,250		0.623	1.302	2.632	4.613	6.537	13.952	25.130	39.620	82.636
274,500		0.623	1.245	2.547	4.471	6.339	13.527	24.366	38.488	80.089
289,750		0.594	1.217	2.490	4.330	6.141	13.121	23.659	37.356	77.542
305,000		0.566	1.189	2.406	4.217	5.971	12.792	23.008	36.224	75.561
335,500		0.538	1.132	2.292	4.019	5.688	12.141	21.848	34.526	71.882
366,000		0.509	1.075	2.179	3.821	5.434	11.575	20.857	32.828	68.486
396,000		0.509	1.019	2.064	3.651	5.179	11.094	19.952	31.413	65.656
427,000		0.481	0.991	2.009	3.509	4.981	10.641	19.187	30.281	63.109
457,500		0.453	0.962	1.924	3.396	4.811	10.273	18.480	29.149	60.562
488,000		0.453	0.934	1.868	3.283	4.641	9.905	17.829	28.130	58.581
518,500		0.425	0.877	1.811	3.170	4.500	9.594	17.263	27.225	56.600
549,000		0.425	0.849	1.755	3.056	4.358	9.311	16.754	26.404	54.902
579,500		0.396	0.849	1.698	2.972	4.217	9.028	16.273	25.640	53.487
610,000		0.396	0.821	1.670	2.887	4.104	8.773	15.820	24.932	51.789

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 kPa = 0.145 pound per square inch, 1 kPa = 4.02-inch water column, 1 W = 3.412 British thermal unit per hour, 1 m³/h = 35.336 cubic foot per hour, 1 degree = 0.01745 rad.

Notes:

1. Table capacities are based on Type K copper tubing inside diameter (shown), which has the smallest inside diameter of the copper tubing products.
2. Table entries have been rounded to three significant digits.

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**TABLE G2413.4(5) [402.4(15)]
CORRUGATED STAINLESS STEEL TUBING (CSST)**

Gas	Natural
Inlet Pressure	Less than 13.79 kPa
Pressure Drop	0.1244 kPa.
Specific Gravity	0.60

TUBE SIZE (EHD)														
Flow Designation	13	15	18	19	23	25	30	31	37	39	46	48	60	62
Length (mm)	Capacity in m ³ /h													
1,525	1.302	1.783	3.255	3.792	6.368	7.641	13.329	15.452	25.329	29.347	50.657	58.581	103.578	117.162
3,050	0.906	1.245	2.321	2.689	4.556	5.434	9.339	10.839	18.084	21.112	35.658	41.601	73.580	82.919
4,575	0.708	0.991	1.868	2.179	3.736	4.443	7.556	8.773	14.829	17.405	29.149	33.960	60.562	67.920
6,100	0.623	0.877	1.641	1.896	3.283	3.877	6.537	7.613	12.905	15.169	25.1304	29.715	52.355	58.864
7,625	0.538	0.764	1.472	1.698	2.943	3.453	5.830	6.792	11.575	13.641	22.442	26.489	46.978	52.638
9,150	0.509	0.708	1.330	1.557	2.717	3.170	5.320	6.169	10.584	12.509	20.461	24.225	43.016	48.110
12,200	0.425	0.594	1.160	1.330	2.349	2.745	4.585	5.320	9.198	10.924	17.688	20.997	37.356	41.601
15,250	0.368	0.538	1.047	1.189	2.123	2.462	4.075	4.754	8.264	9.820	15.820	18.820	33.394	37.356
18,300	0.340	0.481	0.962	1.075	1.924	2.264	3.707	4.330	7.556	8.999	14.405	17.206	30.564	33.960
21,350	0.311	0.453	0.877	1.019	1.783	2.094	3.424	3.990	7.018	8.349	13.329	15.933	28.300	31.413
24,400	0.283	0.425	0.821	0.934	1.698	1.953	3.198	3.736	6.566	7.839	12.452	14.914	26.602	29.432
27,450	0.283	0.396	0.792	0.906	1.613	1.840	3.028	3.538	6.198	7.415	11.745	14.093	25.102	27.819
30,500	0.255	0.368	0.736	0.849	1.528	1.755	2.858	3.339	5.886	7.047	11.122	13.358	23.857	26.404
45,500	0.198	0.283	0.566	0.651	1.189	1.358	2.207	2.575	4.839	5.802	9.056	10.952	19.555	21.565
61,00	0.170	0.255	0.509	0.594	1.075	1.245	2.009	2.321	4.188	5.066	7.839	9.509	16.980	18.706
76,250	0.142	0.224	0.453	0.538	0.962	1.104	1.783	2.094	3.764	4.556	6.990	8.518	15.225	16.725
91,500	0.142	0.198	0.425	0.481	0.906	1.019	1.613	1.896	2.689	4.188	6.396	7.783	13.924	15.282

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 kPa = 0.145 pound per square inch, 1 kPa = 4.02-inch water column, 1 W = 3.412 British thermal unit per hour, 1 m³/h = 35.336 cubic foot per hour, 1 degree = 0.01745 rad.

Notes:

1. Table includes losses for four 90-degree bends and two end fittings. Tubing runs with larger numbers of bends or fittings shall be increased by an equivalent length of tubing to the following equation: $L = 1.3n$, where L is additional length in millimetres (feet) of tubing and n is the number of additional fittings or bends.
2. EHD—Equivalent Hydraulic Diameter, which is a measure of the relative hydraulic efficiency between different tubing sizes. The greater the value of EHD, the greater the gas capacity of the tubing.
3. Table entries have been rounded to three significant digits.

**TABLE G2413.4(6) [402.4(18)]
CORRUGATED STAINLESS STEEL TUBING (CSST)**

Gas	Natural
Inlet Pressure	13.79 kPa
Pressure Drop	6.895 kPa
Specific Gravity	0.60

TUBE SIZE (EHD)														
Flow Designation	13	15	18	19	23	25	30	31	37	39	46	48	60	62
Length (mm)	Capacity in m ³ /h													
3,050	7.641	9.990	16.612	17.81	31.13	38.771	73.297	84.617	127.633	142.547	271.68	302.810	536.380	611.280
7,625	4.698	6.226	10.584	12.565	20.065	24.791	45.846	52.921	81.787	92.201	170.932	191.874	336.770	387.710
9,150	4.273	5.660	9.679	11.462	18.395	22.668	41.884	48.110	74.712	84.532	155.933	175.460	308.470	353.750
12,200	3.651	4.868	8.405	9.933	16.046	19.697	35.941	41.601	65.090	73.722	134.708	152.254	267.152	308.470
15,250	3.255	4.358	7.528	8.886	14.433	17.659	32.262	37.073	58.298	66.307	120.558	136.406	239.701	275.076
23,000	2.632	3.509	6.169	7.273	11.886	14.490	26.093	30.281	47.827	54.676	98.201	111.785	196.402	224.702
24,400	2.519	3.396	5.971	7.047	11.518	14.037	25.244	29.149	46.412	53.034	95.088	108.106	190.459	217.627
30,500	2.236	3.028	5.349	6.283	10.358	12.594	22.499	26.036	41.601	47.686	84.900	96.786	170.649	194.704
45,500	1.811	2.462	4.387	5.151	8.547	10.301	18.282	21.168	34.243	39.309	69.052	79.240	139.802	159.046
61,000	1.557	2.123	3.821	4.443	7.443	8.971	15.763	18.254	29.715	34.300	59.713	68.769	121.407	137.821
76,250	1.387	1.896	3.424	3.990	6.679	8.037	14.065	16.301	26.630	30.847	53.487	61.694	108.955	123.388
91,500	1.245	1.726	3.113	3.651	6.141	7.358	12.820	14.858	24.395	28.272	48.676	56.317	99.616	112.634
122,000	1.075	1.472	2.717	3.141	5.349	6.368	11.037	12.820	21.197	24.649	42.167	48.959	86.598	97.635
152,500	0.962	1.302	2.434	2.830	4.811	5.717	9.848	11.433	15.622	22.159	37.639	43.865	77.542	87.447

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 kPa = 0.145 pound per square inch, 1 kPa = 4.02-inch water column, 1 W = 3.412 British thermal unit per hour, 1 m³/h = 35.336 cubic foot per hour, 1 degree = 0.01745 rad.

Notes:

1. Table does not include effect of pressure drop across the line regulator. Where regulator loss exceeds 5.17 kPa ($\frac{3}{4}$ psi), DO NOT USE THIS TABLE. Consult with the regulator manufacturer for pressure drops and capacity factors. Pressure drops across a regulator can vary with flow rate.
2. CAUTION: Capacities shown in the table might exceed maximum capacity for a selected regulator. Consult with the regulator or tubing manufacturer for guidance.
3. Table includes losses for four 90-degree bends and two end fittings. Tubing runs with larger numbers of bends or fittings shall be increased by an equivalent length of tubing to the following equation: $L = 1.3n$ where L is additional length in millimetres (feet) of tubing and n is the number of additional fittings or bends.
4. EHD—Equivalent Hydraulic Diameter, which is a measure of the relative hydraulic efficiency between different tubing sizes. The greater the value of EHD, the greater the gas capacity of the tubing.
5. Table entries have been rounded to three significant digits.

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**TABLE G2413.4(7) [402.4(21)]
POLYETHYLENE PLASTIC PIPE**

Gas	Natural
Inlet Pressure	Less than 13.79 kPa
Pressure Drop	0.1244 kPa.
Specific Gravity	0.60

PIPE SIZE (mm)						
Nominal OD	12.5	19	25	32	38	51
Designation	SDR 9	SDR 11	SDR 11	SDR 10	SDR 11	SDR 11
Actual ID	16.764	21.844	27.356	33.731	39.472	49.352
Length (mm)	Capacity m ³ /h					
3,050	5.688	11.405	20.546	35.658	53.770	96.503
6,100	3.905	7.839	14.122	24.480	37.073	66.505
9,150	3.141	6.283	11.348	19.669	29.715	53.204
12,200	2.689	5.377	9.707	16.810	25.413	45.563
15,250	2.377	4.783	8.603	14.914	22.527	40.469
18,300	2.151	4.330	7.811	13.499	20.404	36.790
21,350	1.981	3.962	7.188	12.424	18.763	33.677
24,400	1.840	3.707	6.679	11.575	17.461	31.413
27,450	1.726	3.481	6.254	10.839	16.386	29.432
30,500	1.641	3.283	5.914	10.245	15.480	27.819
38,100	1.443	2.915	5.236	9.084	13.726	24.649
45,500	1.302	2.632	4.754	8.235	12.424	22.329
53,125	1.217	2.434	4.358	7.584	11.433	20.546
61,000	1.132	2.264	4.075	7.047	10.641	19.103
76,250	0.991	2.009	3.594	6.254	9.424	16.923
91,500	0.906	1.811	3.255	5.660	8.547	15.339
106,750	0.821	1.670	3.000	5.207	7.867	14.122
122,000	0.764	1.557	2.802	4.839	7.301	13.131
137,250	0.736	1.443	2.632	4.528	6.849	12.311
152,500	0.679	1.358	2.490	4.302	6.481	11.631

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 kPa = 0.145 pound per square inch, 1 kPa = 4.02-inch water column, 1 W = 3.412 British thermal unit per hour, 1 m³/h = 35.336 cubic foot per hour, 1 degree = 0.01745 rad.

Note:

Table entries have been rounded to three significant digits.

**TABLE G2413.4(8) [402.4(22)]
POLYETHYLENE PLASTIC PIPE**

Gas	Natural
Inlet Pressure	13.79 kPa
Pressure Drop	6.895 kPa
Specific Gravity	0.60

PIPE SIZE (mm)						
Nominal OD	12.5	19	25	32	38	51
Designation	SDR 9	SDR 11	SDR 11	SDR 10	SDR 11	SDR 11
Actual ID	16.764	21.844	27.356	33.731	39.472	49.352
Length (ft)	Capacity in m ³ /h					
3,050	52.638	105.276	189.893	328.280	498.080	894.280
6,100	36.224	72.448	130.463	226.117	342.430	614.110
9,150	29.149	58.015	104.993	181.686	274.227	492.420
12,200	24.847	49.808	89.711	155.367	234.890	421.670
15,250	20.017	44.148	79.523	137.821	208.005	373.560
18,300	19.952	39.903	72.165	124.803	188.478	339.600
21,350	18.367	36.79	66.222	114.898	173.479	311.300
24,400	17.065	34.243	61.694	106.974	161.310	288.660
27,450	16.018	31.979	58.015	100.182	151.405	271.963
30,500	15.141	30.281	54.619	94.805	142.915	256.964
38,100	13.414	26.857	48.393	84.051	126.784	227.815
45,500	12.141	24.338	43.865	76.127	114.898	206.307
53,125	11.179	22.385	40.469	69.901	105.559	189.893
61,000	10.414	20.829	37.639	65.090	98.201	176.592
76,250	9.226	18.452	33.394	57.732	87.164	156.499
91,500	8.349	16.725	30.281	52.355	78.957	141.783
106,750	7.698	15.395	27.7623	48.110	72.731	130.463
122,000	7.160	14.320	25.838	44.714	67.637	121.407
137,250	6.707	13.443	24.225	41.884	63.392	113.766
152,500	6.339	12.678	22.895	39.620	59.996	107.540
167,750	6.028	12.056	21.734	37.639	56.883	102.163
183,000	5.745	11.490	20.744	35.941	54.336	97.352
198,250	5.490	11.009	19.867	34.526	52.072	93.390
213,500	5.292	10.584	19.074	33.111	49.808	89.711
228,750	5.094	10.188	18.367	31.979	48.110	86.315
244,000	4.924	9.848	17.744	30.847	46.412	83.485
259,250	4.754	9.509	17.178	29.715	44.997	80.655
274,500	4.613	9.226	16.640	28.866	43.582	78.391
289,750	4.471	8.971	16.188	28.017	42.450	76.127
305,000	4.358	8.716	15.735	27.253	41.035	73.863
335,500	4.132	8.292	14.942	25.895	39.054	70.184
366,000	3.934	7.896	14.263	24.706	37.356	67.071
396,000	3.792	7.556	13.641	23.659	35.658	64.241
427,000	3.622	7.273	13.103	22.725	34.243	61.694
457,500	3.509	6.990	12.622	21.876	33.111	59.430
488,000	3.368	6.764	12.197	21.140	31.979	57.449
518,500	3.255	6.537	11.801	20.461	30.847	55.468
549,000	3.170	6.339	11.433	19.838	29.998	53.770
579,500	3.085	6.169	11.122	19.244	29.149	52.355
610,000	3.000	6.000	10.811	18.735	28.300	50.940

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 kPa = 0.145 pound per square inch, 1 kPa = 4.02-inch water column, 1 W = 3.412 British thermal unit per hour, 1 m³/h = 35.336 cubic foot per hour, 1 degree = 0.01745 rad.

Note: Table entries have been rounded to three significant digits.

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**TABLE G2413.4(9) [402.4(25)]
SCHEDULE 40 METALLIC PIPE**

Gas	Undiluted Propane
Inlet Pressure	68.95 kPa
Pressure Drop	6.895 kPa
Specific Gravity	1.50

INTENDED USE		Pipe sizing between first stage (high-pressure regulator) and second stage (low-pressure regulator).							
PIPE SIZE (inches)									
Nominal	12.5	19	25	32	38	51	64	76	100
Actual ID	15.799	20.930	26.645	35.052	40.984	52.502	62.713	77.927	102.260
Length (ft)	Capacity in Watts								
3,050	973.09	2,037.05	3,839.61	7,884.39	11,811.93	22,744.56	36,344.40	64,188.90	130,722.60
6,100	668.27	1,401.02	2,637.90	5,422.35	8,118.87	15,622.23	24,913.50	43,965	89,688.60
9,150	536.37	1,125.50	2,116.18	4,337.88	6,506.82	12,544.68	19,989.42	35,465.10	72,102.60
12,200	460.17	961.37	1,811.36	3,722.37	5,568.90	10,727.46	17,117.04	30,189.30	61,844.10
15,250	407.41	852.92	1,606.19	3,312.03	4,953.39	9,525.75	15,153.27	26,818.65	54,809.70
18,300	369.31	773.78	1,456.71	2,989.62	4,484.43	8,617.14	13,746.39	24,297.99	49,533.90
21,350	340.00	712.23	1,339.47	2,749.28	4,132.71	7,943.01	12,632.61	22,363.53	45,723.60
24,400	316.55	662.41	1,245.68	2,558.76	3,839.61	7,386.12	11,753.31	20,780.79	42,499.50
27,450	296.03	621.37	1,169.47	2,440.49	3,605.13	6,917.16	11,049.87	19,520.46	39,861.60
30,500	280.20	586.20	1,104.99	2,265.66	3,399.96	6,536.13	10,434.36	18,435.99	37,516.80
38,100	248.55	518.79	978.95	2,007.74	3,018.93	5,803.38	9,232.65	16,325.67	33,413.40
45,500	225.10	471.89	885.16	1,820.15	2,725.83	5,246.49	8,383.66	14,801.55	30,189.30
53,125	206.93	433.79	814.82	1,673.60	2,508.94	4,836.15	7,708.53	13,629.15	27,756.57
61,000	192.57	401.55	759.13	1,559.29	2,333.08	4,484.43	7,151.64	12,661.92	25,822.11
76,250	170.58	357.58	671.20	1,380.50	2,069.29	3,986.16	6,360.27	11,225.73	22,891.11
91,500	154.76	322.41	609.65	1,251.54	1,875.84	3,605.13	5,744.76	10,170.57	20,751.48
106,750	142.45	298.96	559.82	1,151.88	1,723.43	3,312.03	5,305.11	9,349.89	19,080.81
122,000	132.48	276.98	521.72	1,069.82	1,603.26	3,077.55	4,924.08	8,705.07	17,761.86
137,250	124.27	259.69	489.48	1,005.33	1,506.53	2,898.76	4,630.98	27,900	16,648.08
152,500	117.24	245.34	463.10	949.64	1,421.54	2,737.55	4,367.19	26,300	15,739.47
167,750	111.38	233.02	439.65	899.82	1,351.19	2,599.80	4,132.71	25,000	14,948.10
183,000	106.40	222.46	419.13	858.78	1,289.64	2,479.63	3,956.85	23,900	14,244.66
198,250	101.71	212.79	401.55	823.61	1,233.95	2,377.04	3,780.99	22,800	13,658.46
213,500	97.90	204.58	383.96	791.37	1,184.12	2,283.25	3,634.44	21,900	13,130.88
228,750	94.09	196.96	372.24	762.06	1,143.09	2,198.25	3,517.20	6,184.41	12,632.61
244,000	90.86	190.22	357.58	735.68	1,102.06	2,122.04	3,370.65	5,979.24	12,192.96
259,250	87.93	184.07	345.86	712.23	1,066.88	2,054.63	3,282.72	5,803.38	11,811.93
274,500	85.29	178.50	337.07	691.72	1,034.64	1,993.08	3,165.48	5,627.52	11,460.21
289,750	82.95	173.52	325.34	671.20	1,005.33	1,934.46	3,077.55	5,451.66	11,108.49
305,000	80.60	168.53	316.55	653.61	976.023	1,881.70	2,989.62	5,305.11	10,815.39
335,500	76.50	160.03	301.89	618.44	929.13	1,787.91	2,848.93	5,041.32	10,258.50
366,000	72.98	152.71	287.82	592.06	885.16	1,705.84	2,717.04	4,806.84	9,789.54
396,000	70.05	146.26	275.51	565.68	847.06	1,632.57	2,602.73	4,601.67	9,379.20
427,000	67.12	140.69	264.67	542.24	814.82	1,568.09	2,500.14	4,425.81	9,027.48
457,500	64.78	135.41	255.00	524.65	785.51	1,512.40	2,409.28	4,249.95	8,675.76
488,000	62.43	130.72	246.20	507.06	759.13	1,459.64	2,327.21	4,103.40	8,382.66
518,500	60.38	126.62	238.29	489.48	732.75	1,412.74	2,251.01	3,986.16	8,118.87
549,000	58.62	122.81	231.26	474.82	712.23	1,368.78	2,183.60	3,868.92	7,884.39
579,500	56.86	119.29	224.52	460.17	691.72	1,330.67	2,119.11	3,751.68	7,649.91
610,000	55.40	115.78	218.36	448.44	671.20	1,292.57	2,060.49	3,634.44	7,444.74

For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm, 1 foot = 304.8 mm, 1 pound per square inch = 6.895 kPa, 1-inch water column = 0.2488 kPa,
1 British thermal unit per hour = 0.2931 W, 1 cubic foot per hour = 0.0283 m³/h, 1 degree = 0.01745 rad.

Note: Table entries have been rounded to three significant digits.

**TABLE G2413.4(10) [402.4(26)]
SCHEDULE 40 METALLIC PIPE**

Gas	Undiluted Propane
Inlet Pressure	68.95 kPa
Pressure Drop	20.685 kPa
Specific Gravity	1.50

INTENDED USE		Pipe sizing between first stage (high-pressure regulator) and second stage (low-pressure regulator).							
PIPE SIZE (inches)									
Nominal	1/2	3/4	1	1 1/4	1 1/2	2	2 1/2	3	4
Actual ID	0.622	0.824	1.049	1.380	1.610	2.067	2.469	3.068	4.026
Length (ft)	Capacity in Thousands of Btu per Hour								
10	5,890	12,300	23,200	47,600	71,300	137,000	219,000	387,000	789,000
20	4,050	8,460	15,900	32,700	49,000	94,400	150,000	266,000	543,000
30	3,250	6,790	12,800	26,300	39,400	75,800	121,000	214,000	436,000
40	2,780	5,810	11,000	22,500	33,700	64,900	103,000	183,000	373,000
50	2,460	5,150	9,710	19,900	29,900	57,500	91,600	162,000	330,000
60	2,230	4,670	8,790	18,100	27,100	52,100	83,000	147,000	299,000
70	2,050	4,300	8,090	16,600	24,900	47,900	76,400	135,000	275,000
80	1,910	4,000	7,530	15,500	23,200	44,600	71,100	126,000	256,000
90	1,790	3,750	7,060	14,500	21,700	41,800	66,700	118,000	240,000
100	1,690	3,540	6,670	13,700	20,500	39,500	63,000	111,000	227,000
125	1,500	3,140	5,910	12,100	18,200	35,000	55,800	98,700	201,000
150	1,360	2,840	5,360	11,000	16,500	31,700	50,600	89,400	182,000
175	1,250	2,620	4,930	10,100	15,200	29,200	46,500	82,300	167,800
200	1,160	2,430	4,580	9,410	14,100	27,200	43,300	76,500	156,100
250	1,030	2,160	4,060	8,340	12,500	24,100	38,400	67,800	138,400
300	935	1,950	3,680	7,560	11,300	21,800	34,800	61,500	125,400
350	860	1,800	3,390	6,950	10,400	20,100	32,000	56,500	115,300
400	800	1,670	3,150	6,470	9,690	18,700	29,800	52,600	107,300
450	751	1,570	2,960	6,070	9,090	17,500	27,900	49,400	100,700
500	709	1,480	2,790	5,730	8,590	16,500	26,400	46,600	95,100
550	673	1,410	2,650	5,450	8,160	15,700	25,000	44,300	90,300
600	642	1,340	2,530	5,200	7,780	15,000	23,900	42,200	86,200
650	615	1,290	2,420	4,980	7,450	14,400	22,900	40,500	82,500
700	591	1,240	2,330	4,780	7,160	13,800	22,000	38,900	79,300
750	569	1,190	2,240	4,600	6,900	13,300	21,200	37,400	76,400
800	550	1,150	2,170	4,450	6,660	12,800	20,500	36,200	73,700
850	532	1,110	2,100	4,300	6,450	12,400	19,800	35,000	71,400
900	516	1,080	2,030	4,170	6,250	12,000	19,200	33,900	69,200
950	501	1,050	1,970	4,050	6,070	11,700	18,600	32,900	67,200
1,000	487	1,020	1,920	3,940	5,900	11,400	18,100	32,000	65,400
1,100	463	968	1,820	3,740	5,610	10,800	17,200	30,400	62,100
1,200	442	923	1,740	3,570	5,350	10,300	16,400	29,000	59,200
1,300	423	884	1,670	3,420	5,120	9,870	15,700	27,800	56,700
1,400	406	849	1,600	3,280	4,920	9,480	15,100	26,700	54,500
1,500	391	818	1,540	3,160	4,740	9,130	14,600	25,700	52,500
1,600	378	790	1,490	3,060	4,580	8,820	14,100	24,800	50,700
1,700	366	765	1,440	2,960	4,430	8,530	13,600	24,000	49,000
1,800	355	741	1,400	2,870	4,300	8,270	13,200	23,300	47,600
1,900	344	720	1,360	2,780	4,170	8,040	12,800	22,600	46,200
2,000	335	700	1,320	2,710	4,060	7,820	12,500	22,000	44,900

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INTENDED USE		Pipe sizing between first stage (high-pressure regulator) and second stage (low-pressure regulator).							
		PIPE SIZE (mm)							
Nominal	12.5	19	25	32	38	51	64	76	100
Actual ID	15.799	20.930	26.645	35.052	40.984	52.502	62.713	77.927	102.260
Length (ft)	Capacity in Watts								
3,050	1,726.36	3,605.13	6,799.92	13,951.56	20,898.03	40,154.70	64,188.90	113,429.70	231,255.90
6,100	1,187.06	2,479.63	4,660.29	9,584.37	14,361.90	27,668.64	43,965	77,964.60	159,153.30
9,150	952.58	1,990.15	3,751.68	7,708.53	11,548.14	22,216.98	35,465.10	62,723.40	127,791.60
12,200	814.82	1,702.91	3,224.10	6,594.75	9,877.47	19,022.19	30,189.30	53,637.30	109,326.30
15,250	721.03	1,509.47	2,846.00	5,832.69	8,763.69	16,853.25	26,847.96	47,482.20	96,723.00
18,300	653.61	1,368.78	2,576.35	5,305.11	7,943.01	15,270.51	24,327.30	43,085.70	87,636.90
21,350	600.86	1,260.33	2,371.18	4,865.46	7,298.19	14,039.49	22,392.84	39,568.50	80,602.50
24,400	559.82	1,172.40	2,207.04	4,543.05	6,799.92	13,072.26	20,839.41	36,930.60	75,033.60
27,450	524.65	1,099.13	2,069.29	4,249.95	6,360.27	12,251.58	19,549.77	34,585.80	70,344.00
30,500	495.34	1,037.57	1,954.98	4,015.47	6,008.55	11,577.45	18,465.30	32,534.10	66,533.70
38,100	439.65	920.33	1,732.22	3,546.51	5,334.42	10,258.50	16,354.98	28,928.97	58,913.10
45,500	398.62	832.40	1,571.02	3,224.10	4,836.15	9,291.27	14,830.86	26,203.14	53,344.20
53,125	366.38	767.92	1,444.98	2,960.31	4,455.12	8,558.52	13,629.15	24,122.13	49,182.18
61,000	340.00	712.23	1,342.40	2,758.07	4,132.71	7,972.32	12,691.23	22,422.15	45,752.91
76,250	301.89	633.10	1,189.99	2,444.45	3,663.75	7,063.71	11,255.04	19,872.18	40,565.04
91,500	274.05	571.55	1,078.61	2,215.84	3,312.03	6,389.58	10,199.88	18,025.65	36,754.74
106,750	252.07	527.58	993.61	2,037.05	3,048.24	5,891.31	9,379.20	16,560.15	33,794.43
122,000	234.48	489.48	923.27	1,896.36	2,840.14	5,480.97	8,734.38	15,417.06	31,449.63
137,250	220.12	460.17	867.58	1,779.12	2,664.28	5,129.25	8,177.49	14,479.14	29,515.17
152,500	207.81	433.79	817.75	1,679.46	2,517.73	4,836.15	7,737.84	13,658.46	27,873.81
167,750	197.26	413.27	776.72	1,597.40	2,391.70	4,601.67	7,327.50	12,984.33	26,466.93
183,000	188.17	392.75	741.54	1,524.12	2,280.32	4,396.50	7,005.09	12,368.82	25,265.22
198,250	180.26	378.10	712.23	1,459.64	2,183.60	4,220.64	6,711.99	11,870.55	24,180.75
213,500	173.22	363.44	682.92	1,401.02	2,098.60	4,044.78	6,448.20	11,401.59	23,242.83
228,750	166.77	348.79	656.54	1,348.26	2,022.39	3,898.23	6,213.72	10,961.94	22,392.84
244,000	161.21	337.07	636.03	1,304.30	1,952.05	3,751.68	6,008.55	10,610.22	21,601.47
259,250	155.93	325.34	615.51	1,260.33	1,890.50	3,634.44	5,803.38	10,258.50	20,927.34
274,500	151.24	316.558	594.99	1,222.23	1,831.88	3,517.20	5,627.52	9,936.09	20,282.52
289,750	146.84	307.76	577.41	1,187.06	1,779.12	3,429.27	5,451.66	9,642.99	19,696.32
305,000	142.74	298.96	562.75	1,154.81	1,729.29	3,341.34	5,305.11	9,379.20	19,168.74
335,500	135.71	283.72	533.44	1,096.19	1,644.29	3,165.48	5,041.32	8,910.24	18,201.51
366,000	129.55	270.53	509.99	1,046.37	1,568.09	3,018.93	4,806.84	8,499.90	17,351.52
396,000	123.98	259.10	489.48	1,002.40	1,500.67	2,892.90	4,601.67	8,148.18	16,618.77
427,000	119.00	248.84	468.96	961.37	1,442.05	2,778.59	4,425.81	7,825.77	15,973.95
457,500	114.60	239.76	451.37	926.20	1,389.29	2,676.00	4,279.26	7,532.67	15,387.75
488,000	110.79	231.55	436.72	896.89	1,342.40	2,585.14	4,132.71	7,268.88	14,860.17
518,500	107.28	224.22	422.06	867.58	1,298.43	2,500.14	3,986.16	7,034.40	14,361.90
549,000	104.05	217.19	410.34	841.20	1,260.33	2,423.94	3,868.92	6,829.23	13,951.56
579,500	100.83	211.03	398.62	814.82	1,222.23	2,356.52	3,751.68	6,624.06	13,541.22
610,000	98.19	205.17	386.89	794.30	1,189.99	2,292.04	3,663.75	6,448.20	13,160.19

For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm, 1 foot = 304.8 mm, 1 pound per square inch = 6.895 kPa, 1-inch water column = 0.2488 kPa,
 1 British thermal unit per hour = 0.2931 W, 1 cubic foot per hour = 0.0283 m³/h, 1 degree = 0.01745 rad.

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For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm, 1 foot = 304.8 mm, 1 pound per square inch = 6.895 kPa, 1-inch water column = 0.2488 kPa,
 1 British thermal unit per hour = 0.2931 W, 1 cubic foot per hour = 0.0283 m³/h, 1 degree = 0.01745 rad.

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**TABLE G2413.4(11) [402.4(27)]
SCHEDULE 40 METALLIC PIPE**

Gas	Undiluted Propane
Inlet Pressure	13.79 kPa
Pressure Drop	6.895 kPa
Specific Gravity	1.50

INTENDED USE		Pipe sizing between 2 psig service and line pressure regulator.							
		PIPE SIZE (inches)							
Nominal	1/2	3/4	1	1 1/4	1 1/2	2	2 1/2	3	4
Actual ID	0.622	0.824	1.049	1.380	1.610	2.067	2.469	3.068	4.026
Length (ft)	Capacity in Thousands of Btu per Hour								
10	2,680	5,590	10,500	21,600	32,400	62,400	99,500	176,000	359,000
20	1,840	3,850	7,240	14,900	22,300	42,900	68,400	121,000	247,000
30	1,480	3,090	5,820	11,900	17,900	34,500	54,900	97,100	198,000
40	1,260	2,640	4,980	10,200	15,300	29,500	47,000	83,100	170,000
50	1,120	2,340	4,410	9,060	13,600	26,100	41,700	73,700	150,000
60	1,010	2,120	4,000	8,210	12,300	23,700	37,700	66,700	136,000
70	934	1,950	3,680	7,550	11,300	21,800	34,700	61,400	125,000
80	869	1,820	3,420	7,020	10,500	20,300	32,300	57,100	116,000
90	815	1,700	3,210	6,590	9,880	19,000	30,300	53,600	109,000
100	770	1,610	3,030	6,230	9,330	18,000	28,600	50,600	103,000
125	682	1,430	2,690	5,520	8,270	15,900	25,400	44,900	91,500
150	618	1,290	2,440	5,000	7,490	14,400	23,000	40,700	82,900
175	569	1,190	2,240	4,600	6,890	13,300	21,200	37,400	76,300
200	529	1,110	2,080	4,280	6,410	12,300	19,700	34,800	71,000
250	469	981	1,850	3,790	5,680	10,900	17,400	30,800	62,900
300	425	889	1,670	3,440	5,150	9,920	15,800	27,900	57,000
350	391	817	1,540	3,160	4,740	9,120	14,500	25,700	52,400
400	364	760	1,430	2,940	4,410	8,490	13,500	23,900	48,800
450	341	714	1,340	2,760	4,130	7,960	12,700	22,400	45,800
500	322	674	1,270	2,610	3,910	7,520	12,000	21,200	43,200
550	306	640	1,210	2,480	3,710	7,140	11,400	20,100	41,100
600	292	611	1,150	2,360	3,540	6,820	10,900	19,200	39,200
650	280	585	1,100	2,260	3,390	6,530	10,400	18,400	37,500
700	269	562	1,060	2,170	3,260	6,270	9,990	17,700	36,000
750	259	541	1,020	2,090	3,140	6,040	9,630	17,000	34,700
800	250	523	985	2,020	3,030	5,830	9,300	16,400	33,500
850	242	506	953	1,960	2,930	5,640	9,000	15,900	32,400
900	235	490	924	1,900	2,840	5,470	8,720	15,400	31,500
950	228	476	897	1,840	2,760	5,310	8,470	15,000	30,500
1,000	222	463	873	1,790	2,680	5,170	8,240	14,600	29,700
1,100	210	440	829	1,700	2,550	4,910	7,830	13,800	28,200
1,200	201	420	791	1,620	2,430	4,680	7,470	13,200	26,900
1,300	192	402	757	1,550	2,330	4,490	7,150	12,600	25,800
1,400	185	386	727	1,490	2,240	4,310	6,870	12,100	24,800
1,500	178	372	701	1,440	2,160	4,150	6,620	11,700	23,900
1,600	172	359	677	1,390	2,080	4,010	6,390	11,300	23,000
1,700	166	348	655	1,340	2,010	3,880	6,180	10,900	22,300
1,800	161	337	635	1,300	1,950	3,760	6,000	10,600	21,600
1,900	157	327	617	1,270	1,900	3,650	5,820	10,300	21,000
2,000	152	318	600	1,230	1,840	3,550	5,660	10,000	20,400

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INTENDED USE: TABLE G2413.4(12) [402.4(28)] Pipe sizing between 2 psig service and line pressure regulator.									
PIPE SIZE (mm)									
Nominal	12.5	19	25	32	38	51	64	76	100
Actual ID	15.799	20.930	26.645	35.052	40.894	52.502	62.713	77.927	102.260
Length (ft)	Capacity in Watts								
3,050	785.51	1,638.43	3,077.55	6,330.96	9,496.44	18,289.44	29,163.45	51,585.60	105,222.90
6,100	539.30	1,128.44	2,122.04	4,367.19	6,536.13	12,573.99	20,048.04	35,465.10	72,395.70
9,150	433.79	905.68	1,705.84	3,487.89	5,246.49	10,111.95	16,091.19	28,460.01	58,033.80
12,200	369.31	773.78	1,459.64	2,989.62	4,484.43	8,646.45	13,775.70	24,356.61	49,827.00
15,250	328.27	685.85	1,292.57	2,655.49	3,986.16	7,649.91	12,222.27	21,601.47	43,965.00
18,300	296.03	621.37	1,172.40	2,406.35	3,605.13	6,946.47	11,049.87	19,549.77	39,861.6
21,350	273.76	571.55	1,078.61	2,212.91	3,312.03	6,389.58	10,170.57	17,996.34	36,637.5
24,400	254.70	533.44	1,002.40	2,057.56	3,077.55	5,949.93	9,467.13	16,736.01	33,999.60
27,450	238.88	498.27	940.85	1,931.53	2,895.83	5,568.90	8,880.93	15,710.16	31,947.90
30,500	225.69	471.89	888.09	1,826.01	2,734.62	5,275.80	8,382.66	14,830.86	30,189.30
38,100	199.89	419.13	788.44	1,617.91	2,423.94	4,660.29	7,444.74	13,160.19	26,818.65
45,500	181.14	378.10	715.16	1,465.50	2,195.32	4,220.64	6,741.30	11,929.17	24,297.99
53,125	166.77	348.79	656.54	1,348.26	2,019.46	3,898.23	6,213.72	10,961.94	22,363.53
61,000	155.05	325.34	609.65	1,254.47	1,878.77	3,605.13	5,774.07	10,199.88	20,810.10
76,250	137.46	287.53	542.24	1,110.85	1,664.81	3,194.79	5,099.94	9,027.48	18,435.99
91,500	124.57	260.57	489.48	1,008.26	1,509.47	2,907.55	4,630.98	8,177.49	16,706.70
106,750	114.60	239.46	451.37	926.20	1,389.29	2,673.07	4,249.95	7,532.67	15,358.44
122,000	106.69	222.76	419.13	861.71	1,292.57	2,488.42	3,956.85	7,005.09	14,303.28
137,250	99.95	209.27	392.75	808.96	1,210.50	2,333.08	3,722.37	6,565.44	13,423.98
152,500	94.38	197.55	372.24	764.99	1,146.02	2,204.112	3,517.20	6,213.72	12,661.92
167,750	89.69	187.58	354.65	726.89	1,087.40	2,092.73	3,341.34	5,891.31	12,046.41
183,000	85.59	179.08	337.07	691.72	1,037.57	1,998.94	3,194.79	5,627.52	11,489.52
198,250	82.07	171.46	322.41	662.41	993.61	1,913.94	3,048.24	5,393.04	10,991.25
213,500	78.84	164.72	310.69	636.03	955.51	1,837.74	2,928.07	5,187.87	10,551.60
228,750	75.91	158.57	298.96	612.58	920.33	1,770.32	2,822.55	4,982.70	10,170.57
244,000	73.28	153.29	288.70	592.062	888.09	1,708.77	2,725.83	4,806.84	9,818.85
259,250	70.93	148.31	279.32	574.48	858.78	1,653.08	2,637.9	4,660.29	9,496.44
274,500	68.88	143.62	270.82	556.89	832.40	1,603.26	2,555.83	4,513.74	9,232.65
289,750	66.83	139.52	262.91	539.30	808.96	1,556.36	2,482.56	4,396.50	8,939.55
305,000	65.07	135.71	255.88	524.65	785.51	1,515.33	2,415.14	4,279.26	8,705.07
335,500	61.55	128.96	242.98	498.27	747.41	1,439.12	2,294.97	4,044.78	8,265.42
366,000	58.91	123.10	231.84	474.82	712.23	1,371.71	2,189.46	3,868.92	7,884.39
396,000	56.28	117.83	221.88	454.31	682.92	1,316.02	2,095.67	3,693.06	7,561.98
427,000	54.22	113.14	213.08	436.72	656.54	1,263.26	2,013.60	3,546.51	7,268.88
457,500	52.17	109.03	205.46	422.06	633.10	1,216.37	1,940.32	3,429.27	7,005.09
488,000	50.41	105.22	198.43	407.41	609.65	1,175.33	1,872.91	3,312.03	6,741.30
518,500	48.65	102.00	191.98	392.75	589.13	1,137.23	1,811.36	3,194.79	6,536.13
549,000	47.19	98.77	186.12	381.03	571.55	1,102.06	1,758.60	3,106.86	6,330.96
579,500	46.02	95.84	180.84	372.24	556.89	1,069.82	1,705.84	3,018.93	6,155.10
610,000	44.55	93.21	175.86	360.51	539.30	1,040.51	1,658.95	859.08	5,979.24

TABLE G2413.4(13) [402.4(28)]

SCHEDULE 40 METALLIC PIPE

Gas	Undiluted Propane
Inlet Pressure	2.7368.
Pressure Drop	0.1244 kPa
Specific Gravity	1.50

INTENDED USE	Pipe sizing between single- or second-stage (low pressure) regulator and appliance.								
PIPE SIZE (inches)									
Nominal	1/2	3/4	1	1 1/4	1 1/2	2	2 1/2	3	4
Actual ID	0.622	0.824	1.049	1.380	1.610	2.067	2.469	3.068	4.026
Length (ft)	Capacity in Thousands of Btu per Hour								
10	291	608	1,150	2,350	3,520	6,790	10,800	19,100	39,000
20	200	418	787	1,620	2,420	4,660	7,430	13,100	26,800
30	160	336	632	1,300	1,940	3,750	5,970	10,600	21,500
40	137	287	541	1,110	1,660	3,210	5,110	9,030	18,400
50	122	255	480	985	1,480	2,840	4,530	8,000	16,300
60	110	231	434	892	1,340	2,570	4,100	7,250	14,800
80	101	212	400	821	1,230	2,370	3,770	6,670	13,600
100	94	197	372	763	1,140	2,200	3,510	6,210	12,700
125	89	185	349	716	1,070	2,070	3,290	5,820	11,900
150	84	175	330	677	1,010	1,950	3,110	5,500	11,200
175	74	155	292	600	899	1,730	2,760	4,880	9,950
200	67	140	265	543	814	1,570	2,500	4,420	9,010
250	62	129	243	500	749	1,440	2,300	4,060	8,290
300	58	120	227	465	697	1,340	2,140	3,780	7,710
350	51	107	201	412	618	1,190	1,900	3,350	6,840
400	46	97	182	373	560	1,080	1,720	3,040	6,190
450	42	89	167	344	515	991	1,580	2,790	5,700
500	40	83	156	320	479	922	1,470	2,600	5,300
550	37	78	146	300	449	865	1,380	2,440	4,970
600	35	73	138	283	424	817	1,300	2,300	4,700
650	33	70	131	269	403	776	1,240	2,190	4,460
700	32	66	125	257	385	741	1,180	2,090	4,260
750	30	64	120	246	368	709	1,130	2,000	4,080
800	29	61	115	236	354	681	1,090	1,920	3,920
850	28	59	111	227	341	656	1,050	1,850	3,770
900	27	57	107	220	329	634	1,010	1,790	3,640
950	26	55	104	213	319	613	978	1,730	3,530
1,000	25	53	100	206	309	595	948	1,680	3,420
1,100	25	52	97	200	300	578	921	1,630	3,320
1,200	24	50	95	195	292	562	895	1,580	3,230
1,300	23	48	90	185	277	534	850	1,500	3,070
1,400	22	46	86	176	264	509	811	1,430	2,930
1,500	21	44	82	169	253	487	777	1,370	2,800
1,200	24	50	95	195	292	562	895	1,580	3,230
1,300	23	48	90	185	277	534	850	1,500	3,070
1,400	22	46	86	176	264	509	811	1,430	2,930
1,500	21	44	82	169	253	487	777	1,370	2,800
1,600	20	42	79	162	243	468	746	1,320	2,690
1,700	19	40	76	156	234	451	719	1,270	2,590
1,800	19	39	74	151	226	436	694	1,230	2,500
1,900	18	38	71	146	219	422	672	1,190	2,420
For 3/4 inch = 25.4 mm, 1 foot = 304.8 mm, 1 pound per square inch = 6.895 kPa, 1 inch water column = 0.2488 kPa.								1,150	2,350

Note: INTENDED USE values have been rounded to three significant figures.

INTENDED USE	Pipe sizing between single- or second-stage (low pressure) regulator and appliance.								
PIPE SIZE (mm)									

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Nominal	TABLE G2413.4(14) [402.4(28)]			32	38	51	64	76	100
Actual ID	15.799	20.930	26.645	35.052	40.894	52.502	62.713	77.927	102.260
Length (mm)	Capacity in Thousands of WATTS								
3,050	85.292	178.205	337.065	688.785	1031.712	1990.149	3165.480	5598.210	11430.900
6,100	58.620	122.516	230.670	474.822	709.302	1365.846	2177.733	3839.610	7855.080
9,150	46.896	98.482	185.239	381.030	568.614	1099.125	1749.807	3106.860	6301.650
12,200	40.155	84.120	158.567	325.341	486.546	940.851	1497.741	2646.693	5393.040
15,250	35.758	74.741	140.688	288.704	433.788	832.404	1327.743	2344.800	4777.530
18,300	32.241	67.706	127.205	261.445	392.754	753.267	1201.710	2124.975	4337.880
21,350	29.603	62.137	117.240	240.635	360.513	694.647	1104.987	1954.977	3986.160
24,400	27.551	57.741	109.033	223.635	334.134	644.820	1028.781	1820.151	3722.370
27,450	26.086	54.224	102.292	209.860	313.617	606.717	964.299	1705.842	3487.890
30,500	24.620	51.293	96.723	198.429	296.031	571.545	911.541	1612.050	3282.720
38,100	21.689	45.431	85.585	175.860	263.497	507.063	808.956	1430.328	2916.345
45,500	19.638	41.034	77.672	159.153	238.584	460.167	732.750	1295.502	2640.831
53,125	18.172	37.810	71.223	146.550	219.532	422.064	674.130	1189.986	2429.799
61,000	17.000	35.172	66.534	136.292	204.291	392.754	627.234	1107.918	2259.801
76,250	14.948	31.362	58.913	120.757	181.136	348.789	556.890	981.885	2004.804
91,500	13.483	28.431	53.344	109.326	164.136	316.548	504.132	891.024	1814.289
106,750	12.310	26.086	48.948	100.826	150.947	290.462	463.098	817.749	1670.670
122,000	11.724	24.327	45.724	93.792	140.395	270.238	430.857	762.060	1553.430
137,250	10.845	22.862	42.793	87.930	131.602	253.532	404.478	715.164	1456.707
152,500	10.259	21.396	40.448	82.947	124.274	239.463	381.030	674.130	1377.570
167,750	9.672	20.517	38.396	78.844	118.119	227.446	363.444	641.889	1307.226
183,000	9.379	19.345	36.638	75.327	112.844	217.187	345.858	612.579	1248.606
198,250	8.793	18.758	35.172	72.103	107.861	207.808	331.203	586.200	1195.848
213,500	8.500	17.879	33.707	69.172	103.757	199.601	319.479	562.752	1148.952
228,750	8.207	17.293	32.534	66.534	99.947	192.274	307.755	542.235	1104.987
244,000	7.914	16.707	31.362	64.482	96.430	185.825	296.031	524.649	1066.884
259,250	7.621	16.121	30.482	62.430	93.499	179.670	286.652	507.063	1034.643
274,500	7.328	15.534	29.310	60.379	90.568	174.395	277.859	492.408	1002.402
289,750	7.328	15.241	28.431	58.620	87.930	169.412	269.945	477.753	973.092
305,000	7.034	14.655	27.845	57.155	85.585	164.722	262.325	463.098	946.713
335,500	6.741	14.069	26.379	54.224	81.189	156.515	249.135	439.650	899.817
366,000	6.448	13.483	25.207	51.586	77.378	149.188	237.704	419.133	858.783
396,000	6.155	12.896	24.034	49.534	74.154	142.740	227.739	401.547	820.680
427,000	7.034	14.655	27.845	57.155	85.585	164.722	262.325	463.098	946.713
457,500	6.741	14.069	26.379	54.224	81.189	156.515	249.135	439.650	899.817
488,000	6.448	13.483	25.207	51.586	77.378	149.188	237.704	419.133	858.783
518,500	6.155	12.896	24.034	49.534	74.154	142.740	227.739	401.547	820.680
549,000	5.862	12.310	23.155	47.482	71.223	137.171	218.653	386.892	788.439
579,500	5.569	11.724	22.276	45.724	68.585	132.188	210.739	372.237	759.129
610,000	5.569	11.431	21.689	44.258	66.241	127.792	203.411	360.513	732.750
3,050	5.276	11.138	20.810	42.793	64.189	123.688	196.963	348.789	709.302
6,100	5.276	10.845	20.224	41.620	62.137	119.878	191.101	337.065	688.785

For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm, 1 foot = 304.8 mm, 1 pound per square inch = 6.895 kPa, 1-inch water column = 0.2488 kPa,
 1 British thermal unit per hour = 0.2931 W, 1 cubic foot per hour = 0.0283 m³/h, 1 degree = 0.01745 rad.

Note: Table entries have been rounded to three significant digits.

**TABLE G2413.4(13) [402.4(29)]
SEMIRIGID COPPER TUBING**

Gas	Undiluted Propane
Inlet Pressure	68.95
Pressure Drop	6.895 kPa
Specific Gravity	1.50

INTENDED USE		Sizing between first stage (high-pressure regulator) and second stage (low-pressure regulator).								
		TUBE SIZE (inches)								
Nominal	K & L	1/4	3/8	1/2	5/8	3/4	1	1 1/4	1 1/2	2
	ACR	3/8	1/2	5/8	3/4	7/8	1 1/8	1 3/8	—	—
Outside		0.375	0.500	0.625	0.750	0.875	1.125	1.375	1.625	2.125
Inside		0.305	0.402	0.527	0.652	0.745	0.995	1.245	1.481	1.959
Length (ft)		Capacity in Thousands of Btu per Hour								
10		513	1,060	2,150	3,760	5,330	11,400	20,500	32,300	67,400
20		352	727	1,480	2,580	3,670	7,830	14,100	22,200	46,300
30		283	584	1,190	2,080	2,940	6,290	11,300	17,900	37,200
40		242	500	1,020	1,780	2,520	5,380	9,690	15,300	31,800
50		215	443	901	1,570	2,230	4,770	8,590	13,500	28,200
60		194	401	816	1,430	2,020	4,320	7,780	12,300	25,600
70		179	369	751	1,310	1,860	3,980	7,160	11,300	23,500
80		166	343	699	1,220	1,730	3,700	6,660	10,500	21,900
90		156	322	655	1,150	1,630	3,470	6,250	9,850	20,500
100		147	304	619	1,080	1,540	3,280	5,900	9,310	19,400
125		131	270	549	959	1,360	2,910	5,230	8,250	17,200
150		118	244	497	869	1,230	2,630	4,740	7,470	15,600
175		109	225	457	799	1,130	2,420	4,360	6,880	14,300
200		101	209	426	744	1,060	2,250	4,060	6,400	13,300
250		90	185	377	659	935	2,000	3,600	5,670	11,800
300		81	168	342	597	847	1,810	3,260	5,140	10,700
350		75	155	314	549	779	1,660	3,000	4,730	9,840
400		70	144	292	511	725	1,550	2,790	4,400	9,160
450		65	135	274	480	680	1,450	2,620	4,130	8,590
500		62	127	259	453	643	1,370	2,470	3,900	8,120
550		59	121	246	430	610	1,300	2,350	3,700	7,710
600		56	115	235	410	582	1,240	2,240	3,530	7,350
650		54	111	225	393	558	1,190	2,140	3,380	7,040
700		51	106	216	378	536	1,140	2,060	3,250	6,770
750		50	102	208	364	516	1,100	1,980	3,130	6,520
800		48	99	201	351	498	1,060	1,920	3,020	6,290
850		46	96	195	340	482	1,030	1,850	2,920	6,090
900		45	93	189	330	468	1,000	1,800	2,840	5,910
950		44	90	183	320	454	970	1,750	2,750	5,730
1,000		42	88	178	311	442	944	1,700	2,680	5,580
1,100		40	83	169	296	420	896	1,610	2,540	5,300
1,200		38	79	161	282	400	855	1,540	2,430	5,050
1,300		37	76	155	270	383	819	1,470	2,320	4,840
1,400		35	73	148	260	368	787	1,420	2,230	4,650
1,500		34	70	143	250	355	758	1,360	2,150	4,480
1,600		33	68	138	241	343	732	1,320	2,080	4,330
1,700		32	66	134	234	331	708	1,270	2,010	4,190
1,800		31	64	130	227	321	687	1,240	1,950	4,060
1,900		30	62	126	220	312	667	1,200	1,890	3,940
2,000		29	60	122	214	304	648	1,170	1,840	3,830

INTENDED USE		Sizing between first stage (high-pressure regulator) and second stage (low-pressure regulator).								
		TUBE SIZE (mm)								
Nominal	K & L	6.35	10	125	16	19	25	32	38	51
	ACR	10	12.5	16	19	22	28	35	—	—
Outside		9.525	12.700	15.875	19.050	22.225	28.575	34.925	41.275	53.975
Inside		7.747	10.211	13.386	16.561	18.923	25.273	31.623	37.617	49.759
Length (mm)		Capacity in Thousands of WATTS								
3,050		150.360	310.686	630.165	1102.056	1562.223	3341.340	6008.550	9467.130	19754.940
6,100		103.171	213.084	433.788	756.198	1075.677	2294.973	4132.710	6506.820	13570.530
9,150		82.947	171.170	348.789	609.648	861.714	1843.599	3312.030	5246.490	10903.320
12,200		70.930	146.550	298.962	521.718	738.612	1576.878	2840.139	4484.430	9320.580
15,250		63.017	129.843	264.083	460.167	653.613	1398.087	2517.729	3956.850	8265.420
18,300		56.861	117.533	239.170	419.133	592.062	1266.192	2280.318	3605.130	7503.360
21,350		52.465	108.154	220.118	383.961	545.166	1166.538	2098.596	3312.030	6887.850
24,400		48.655	100.533	204.877	357.582	507.063	1084.470	1952.046	3077.550	6418.890
27,450		45.724	94.378	191.981	337.065	477.753	1017.057	1831.875	2887.035	6008.550
30,500		43.086	89.102	181.429	316.548	451.374	961.368	1729.290	2728.761	5686.140
38,100		38.396	79.137	160.912	281.083	398.616	852.921	1532.913	2418.075	5041.320
45,500		34.586	71.516	145.671	254.704	360.513	770.853	1389.294	2189.457	4572.360
53,125		31.948	65.948	133.947	234.187	331.203	709.302	1277.916	2016.528	4191.330
61,000		29.603	61.258	124.861	218.066	310.686	659.475	1189.986	1875.840	3898.230
76,250		26.379	54.224	110.499	193.153	274.049	586.200	1055.160	1661.877	3458.580
91,500		23.741	49.241	100.240	174.981	248.256	530.511	955.506	1506.534	3136.170
106,750		21.983	45.431	92.033	160.912	228.325	486.546	879.300	1386.363	2884.104
122,000		20.517	42.206	85.585	149.774	212.498	454.305	817.749	1289.640	2684.796
137,250		19.052	39.569	80.309	140.688	199.308	424.995	767.922	1210.503	2517.729
152,500		18.172	37.224	75.913	132.774	188.463	401.547	723.957	1143.090	2379.972
167,750		17.293	35.465	72.103	126.033	178.791	381.030	688.785	1084.470	2259.801
183,000		16.414	33.707	68.879	120.171	170.584	363.444	656.544	1034.643	2154.285
198,250		15.827	32.534	65.948	115.188	163.550	348.789	627.234	990.678	2063.424
213,500		14.948	31.069	63.310	110.792	157.102	334.134	603.786	952.575	1984.287
228,750		14.655	29.896	60.965	106.688	151.240	322.410	580.338	917.403	1911.012
244,000		14.069	29.017	58.913	102.878	145.964	310.686	562.752	885.162	1843.599
259,250		13.483	28.138	57.155	99.654	141.274	301.893	542.235	855.852	1784.979
274,500		13.190	27.258	55.396	96.723	137.171	293.100	527.580	832.404	1732.221
289,750		12.896	26.379	53.637	93.792	133.067	284.307	512.925	806.025	1679.463
305,000		12.310	25.793	52.172	91.154	129.550	276.686	498.270	785.508	1635.498
335,500		11.724	24.327	49.534	86.758	123.102	262.618	471.891	744.474	1553.430
366,000		11.138	23.155	47.189	82.654	117.240	250.601	451.374	712.233	1480.155
396,000		10.845	22.276	45.431	79.137	112.257	240.049	430.857	679.992	1418.604
427,000		10.259	21.396	43.379	76.206	107.861	230.670	416.202	653.613	1362.915
457,500		9.965	20.517	41.913	73.275	104.051	222.170	398.616	630.165	1313.088
488,000		9.672	19.931	40.448	70.637	100.533	214.549	386.892	609.648	1269.123
518,500		9.379	19.345	39.275	68.585	97.016	207.515	372.237	589.131	1228.089
549,000		9.086	18.758	38.103	66.534	94.085	201.360	363.444	571.545	1189.986
579,500		8.793	18.172	36.931	64.482	91.447	195.498	351.720	553.959	1154.814
610,000		8.500	17.586	35.758	62.723	89.102	189.929	342.927	539.304	1122.573

For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm, 1 foot = 304.8 mm, 1 pound per square inch = 6.895 kPa, 1-inch water column = 0.2488 kPa,
 1 British thermal unit per hour = 0.2931 W, 1 cubic foot per hour = 0.0283 m³/h, 1 degree = 0.01745 rad.

Notes:

1. Table capacities are based on Type K copper tubing inside diameter (shown), which has the smallest inside diameter of the copper tubing products.
2. Table entries have been rounded to three significant digits.

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**TABLE G2413.4(14) [402.4(30)]
SEMIRIGID COPPER TUBING**

Gas	Undiluted Propane
Inlet Pressure	2.7368 kPa
Pressure Drop	0.1244 kPa.
Specific Gravity	1.50

INTENDED USE		Sizing between single- or second-stage (low-pressure regulator) and appliance.								
		TUBE SIZE (inches)								
Nominal	K & L	1/4	3/8	1/2	5/8	3/4	1	1 1/4	1 1/2	2
	ACR	3/8	1/2	5/8	3/4	7/8	1 1/8	1 3/8	—	—
Outside		0.375	0.500	0.625	0.750	0.875	1.125	1.375	1.625	2.125
Inside		0.305	0.402	0.527	0.652	0.745	0.995	1.245	1.481	1.959
Length (ft)		Capacity in Thousands of Btu per Hour								
10	45	93	188	329	467	997	1,800	2,830	5,890	
20	31	64	129	226	321	685	1,230	1,950	4,050	
30	25	51	104	182	258	550	991	1,560	3,250	
40	21	44	89	155	220	471	848	1,340	2,780	
50	19	39	79	138	195	417	752	1,180	2,470	
60	17	35	71	125	177	378	681	1,070	2,240	
70	16	32	66	115	163	348	626	988	2,060	
80	15	30	61	107	152	324	583	919	1,910	
90	14	28	57	100	142	304	547	862	1,800	
100	13	27	54	95	134	287	517	814	1,700	
125	11	24	48	84	119	254	458	722	1,500	
150	10	21	44	76	108	230	415	654	1,360	
175	NA	20	40	70	99	212	382	602	1,250	
200	NA	18	37	65	92	197	355	560	1,170	
250	NA	16	33	58	82	175	315	496	1,030	
300	NA	15	30	52	74	158	285	449	936	
350	NA	14	28	48	68	146	262	414	861	
400	NA	13	26	45	63	136	244	385	801	
450	NA	12	24	42	60	127	229	361	752	
500	NA	11	23	40	56	120	216	341	710	
550	NA	11	22	38	53	114	205	324	674	
600	NA	10	21	36	51	109	196	309	643	
650	NA	NA	20	34	49	104	188	296	616	
700	NA	NA	19	33	47	100	180	284	592	
750	NA	NA	18	32	45	96	174	274	570	
800	NA	NA	18	31	44	93	168	264	551	
850	NA	NA	17	30	42	90	162	256	533	
900	NA	NA	17	29	41	87	157	248	517	
950	NA	NA	16	28	40	85	153	241	502	
1,000	NA	NA	16	27	39	83	149	234	488	
1,100	NA	NA	15	26	37	78	141	223	464	
1,200	NA	NA	14	25	35	75	135	212	442	
1,300	NA	NA	14	24	34	72	129	203	423	
1,400	NA	NA	13	23	32	69	124	195	407	
1,500	NA	NA	13	22	31	66	119	188	392	
1,600	NA	NA	12	21	30	64	115	182	378	
1,700	NA	NA	12	20	29	62	112	176	366	
1,800	NA	NA	11	20	28	60	108	170	355	
1,900	NA	NA	11	19	27	58	105	166	345	
2,000	NA	NA	11	19	27	57	102	161	335	

INTENDED USE		Sizing between single- or second-stage (low-pressure regulator) and appliance.								
		TUBE SIZE (mm)								
Nominal	K & L	6.35	10	12.5	16	19	25	32	38	51
	ACR	10	12.5	16	19	22	28	35	—	—
Outside		9.525	12.7	15.875	19.05	22.225	28.575	34.925	41.275	53.975
Inside		7.747	10.211	13.386	16.561	18.923	25.273	31.623	37.617	49.759

Length (mm)	Capacity in Watts								
	13.190	27.258	55.103	96.430	136.878	292.221	527.580	829.473	1,726.359
3,050	13.190	27.258	55.103	96.430	136.878	292.221	527.580	829.473	1,726.359
6,100	9.086	18.758	37.810	66.241	94.085	200.774	360.513	571.545	1,187.055
9,150	7.328	14.948	30.482	53.344	75.620	161.205	290.462	457.236	952.575
12,200	6.155	12.896	26.086	45.431	64.482	138.050	248.549	392.754	814.818
15,250	5.569	11.431	23.155	40.448	57.155	122.223	220.411	345.858	723.957
18,300	4.983	10.259	20.810	36.638	51.879	110.792	199.601	313.617	656.544
21,350	4.690	9.380	19.345	33.707	47.775	101.999	183.481	289.583	603.786
24,400	4.397	8.793	17.879	31.362	44.551	94.964	170.877	269.359	559.821
27,450	4.103	8.207	16.707	29.310	41.620	89.102	160.326	252.652	527.580
30,500	3.810	7.914	15.827	27.845	39.275	84.120	151.533	238.583	498.270
38,100	3.224	7.034	14.069	24.620	34.879	74.447	134.240	211.618	439.650
45,500	2.931	6.155	12.896	22.276	31.655	67.413	121.637	191.687	398.616
53,125	NA	5.862	11.724	20.517	29.017	62.137	111.964	176.446	366.375
61,000	NA	5.276	10.845	19.052	26.965	57.741	104.051	164.136	342.927
76,250	NA	4.690	9.672	17.000	24.034	51.293	92.327	145.378	301.893
31,500	NA	4.397	8.793	15.241	21.689	46.310	83.534	131.602	274.342
106,750	NA	4.103	8.207	14.069	19.931	42.793	76.792	121.343	252.359
122,000	NA	3.810	7.621	13.190	18.465	39.862	71.516	112.844	234.773
137,250	NA	3.517	7.034	12.310	17.586	37.224	67.120	105.809	220.411
152,500	NA	3.224	6.741	11.724	16.414	35.172	63.310	99.947	208.101
167,750	NA	3.224	6.448	11.138	15.534	33.413	60.086	94.964	197.549
183,000	NA	2.931	6.155	10.552	14.948	31.948	57.448	90.568	188.463
198,250	NA	NA	5.862	9.965	14.362	30.482	55.103	86.758	180.550
213,500	NA	NA	5.569	9.672	13.776	29.310	52.758	83.240	173.515
228,750	NA	NA	5.276	9.380	13.190	28.138	50.999	80.309	167.067
244,000	NA	NA	5.276	9.086	12.896	27.258	49.241	77.378	161.498
259,250	NA	NA	4.983	8.793	12.310	26.379	47.482	75.034	156.222
274,500	NA	NA	4.983	8.500	12.017	25.500	46.017	72.689	151.533
289,750	NA	NA	4.690	8.207	11.724	24.914	44.844	70.637	147.136
305,000	NA	NA	4.690	7.914	11.431	24.327	43.672	68.585	143.033
335,500	NA	NA	4.397	7.621	10.845	22.862	41.327	65.361	135.998
366,000	NA	NA	4.103	7.328	10.259	21.983	39.569	62.137	129.550
396,500	NA	NA	4.103	7.034	9.965	21.103	37.810	59.499	123.981
427,000	NA	NA	3.810	6.741	9.380	20.224	36.344	57.155	119.292
457,500	NA	NA	3.810	6.448	9.086	19.345	34.879	55.103	114.895
488,000	NA	NA	3.517	6.155	8.793	18.758	33.707	53.344	110.792
518,500	NA	NA	3.517	5.862	8.500	18.172	32.827	51.586	107.275
549,000	NA	NA	3.224	5.862	8.207	17.586	31.655	49.827	104.051
579,500	NA	NA	3.224	5.569	7.914	17.000	30.776	48.655	101.120
610,000	NA	NA	3.224	5.569	7.914	16.707	29.896	47.189	98.189

For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm, 1 foot = 304.8 mm, 1 pound per square inch = 6.895 kPa, 1-inch water column = 0.2488 kPa,
 1 British thermal unit per hour = 0.2931 W, 1 cubic foot per hour = 0.0283 m³/h, 1 degree = 0.01745 rad.

Notes:

1. Table capacities are based on Type K copper tubing inside diameter (shown), which has the smallest inside diameter of the copper tubing products.
2. NA means a flow of less than 10,000 Btu/hr.
3. Table entries have been rounded to three significant digits.

For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm, 1 foot = 304.8 mm, 1 pound per square inch = 6.895 kPa, 1-inch water column = 0.2488 kPa,
 1 British thermal unit per hour = 0.2931 W, 1 cubic foot per hour = 0.0283 m³/h, 1 degree = 0.01745 rad.

Notes:

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**TABLE G2413.4(15) [402.4(31)]
SEMIRIGID COPPER TUBING**

Gas	Undiluted Propane
Inlet Pressure	13.79 kPa
Pressure Drop	6.895 kPa
Specific Gravity	1.50

INTENDED USE		Tube sizing between 2 psig service and line pressure regulator.									
		TUBE SIZE (inches)									
Nominal	K & L	1/4	3/8	1/2	5/8	3/4	1	1 1/4	1 1/2	2	
	ACR	3/8	1/2	5/8	3/4	7/8	1 1/8	1 3/8	—	—	
Outside		0.375	0.500	0.625	0.750	0.875	1.125	1.375	1.625	2.125	
Inside		0.305	0.402	0.527	0.652	0.745	0.995	1.245	1.481	1.959	
Length (ft)		Capacity in Thousands of Btu per Hour									
10		413	852	1,730	3,030	4,300	9,170	16,500	26,000	54,200	
20		284	585	1,190	2,080	2,950	6,310	11,400	17,900	37,300	
30		228	470	956	1,670	2,370	5,060	9,120	14,400	29,900	
40		195	402	818	1,430	2,030	4,330	7,800	12,300	25,600	
50		173	356	725	1,270	1,800	3,840	6,920	10,900	22,700	
60		157	323	657	1,150	1,630	3,480	6,270	9,880	20,600	
70		144	297	605	1,060	1,500	3,200	5,760	9,090	18,900	
80		134	276	562	983	1,390	2,980	5,360	8,450	17,600	
90		126	259	528	922	1,310	2,790	5,030	7,930	16,500	
100		119	245	498	871	1,240	2,640	4,750	7,490	15,600	
125		105	217	442	772	1,100	2,340	4,210	6,640	13,800	
150		95	197	400	700	992	2,120	3,820	6,020	12,500	
175		88	181	368	644	913	1,950	3,510	5,540	11,500	
200		82	168	343	599	849	1,810	3,270	5,150	10,700	
250		72	149	304	531	753	1,610	2,900	4,560	9,510	
300		66	135	275	481	682	1,460	2,620	4,140	8,610	
350		60	124	253	442	628	1,340	2,410	3,800	7,920	
400		56	116	235	411	584	1,250	2,250	3,540	7,370	
450		53	109	221	386	548	1,170	2,110	3,320	6,920	
500		50	103	209	365	517	1,110	1,990	3,140	6,530	
550		47	97	198	346	491	1,050	1,890	2,980	6,210	
600		45	93	189	330	469	1,000	1,800	2,840	5,920	
650		43	89	181	316	449	959	1,730	2,720	5,670	
700		41	86	174	304	431	921	1,660	2,620	5,450	
750		40	82	168	293	415	888	1,600	2,520	5,250	
800		39	80	162	283	401	857	1,540	2,430	5,070	
850		37	77	157	274	388	829	1,490	2,350	4,900	
900		36	75	152	265	376	804	1,450	2,280	4,750	
950		35	72	147	258	366	781	1,410	2,220	4,620	
1,000		34	71	143	251	356	760	1,370	2,160	4,490	
1,100		32	67	136	238	338	721	1,300	2,050	4,270	
1,200		31	64	130	227	322	688	1,240	1,950	4,070	
1,300		30	61	124	217	309	659	1,190	1,870	3,900	
1,400		28	59	120	209	296	633	1,140	1,800	3,740	
1,500		27	57	115	201	286	610	1,100	1,730	3,610	
1,600		26	55	111	194	276	589	1,060	1,670	3,480	
1,700		26	53	108	188	267	570	1,030	1,620	3,370	
1,800		25	51	104	182	259	553	1,000	1,570	3,270	
1,900		24	50	101	177	251	537	966	1,520	3,170	
2,000		23	48	99	172	244	522	940	1,480	3,090	

INTENDED USE		Tube sizing between 2 psig service and line pressure regulator.								
		TUBE SIZE (mm)								
Nominal	K & L	6.35	10	12.5	16	19	25	32	38	51
	ACR	10	12.5	16	19	22	28	35	—	—
Outside		9.525	12.700	15.875	19.050	22.225	28.575	34.925	41.275	53.975
Inside		7.747	10.211	13.386	16.561	18.923	25.273	31.623	37.617	49.759
Length (mm)		Capacity in Watts								
3,050		121.050	249.721	507.063	888.093	1,260.330	2,687.727	4,836.150	7,620.600	15,886.020
6,100		83.240	171.464	348.789	609.648	864.645	1,849.461	3,341.340	5,246.490	10,932.630
9,150		66.827	137.757	280.204	489.477	694.647	1,483.086	2,673.072	4,220.640	8,763.690
12,200		57.155	117.826	239.756	419.133	594.993	1,269.123	2,286.180	3,605.130	7,503.360
15,250		50.706	104.344	212.498	372.237	527.580	1,125.504	2,028.252	3,194.790	6,653.370
18,300		46.017	94.671	192.567	337.065	477.753	1,019.988	1,837.737	2,895.828	6,037.860
21,350		42.206	87.051	177.326	310.686	439.650	937.920	1,688.256	2,664.279	5,539.590
24,400		39.275	80.896	164.722	288.117	407.409	873.438	1,571.016	2,476.695	5,158.560
27,450		36.931	75.913	154.757	270.238	383.961	817.749	1,474.293	2,324.283	4,836.150
30,500		34.879	71.810	145.964	255.290	363.444	773.784	1,392.225	2,195.319	4,572.360
38,100		30.776	63.603	129.550	226.273	322.410	685.854	1,233.951	1,946.184	4,044.780
45,500		27.845	57.741	117.240	205.170	290.755	621.372	1,119.642	1,764.462	3,663.750
53,125		25.793	53.051	107.861	188.756	267.600	571.545	1,028.781	1,623.774	3,370.650
61,000		24.034	49.241	100.533	175.567	248.842	530.511	958.437	1,509.465	3,136.170
76,250		21.103	43.672	89.102	155.636	220.704	471.891	849.990	1,336.536	2,787.381
31,500		19.345	39.569	80.603	140.981	199.894	427.926	767.922	1,213.434	2,523.591
106,750		17.586	36.344	74.154	129.550	184.067	392.754	706.371	1,113.78	2,321.352
122,000		16.414	34.000	68.879	120.464	171.170	366.375	659.475	1,037.574	2,160.147
137,250		15.534	31.948	64.775	113.137	160.619	342.927	618.441	973.092	2,028.252
152,500		14.655	30.189	61.258	106.982	151.533	325.341	583.269	920.334	1,913.943
167,750		13.776	28.431	58.034	101.413	143.912	307.755	553.959	873.438	1,820.151
183,000		13.190	27.258	55.396	96.723	137.464	293.100	527.580	832.404	1,735.152
198,250		12.603	26.086	53.051	92.620	131.602	281.083	507.063	797.232	1,661.878
213,500		12.017	25.207	50.999	89.102	126.326	269.945	486.546	767.922	1,597.395
228,750		11.724	24.034	49.241	85.878	121.637	260.273	468.960	738.612	1,538.775
244,000		11.431	23.448	47.482	82.947	117.533	251.187	451.374	712.233	1,486.017
259,250		10.845	22.569	46.017	80.309	113.723	242.980	436.719	688.785	1,436.190
274,500		10.552	21.982	44.551	77.672	110.206	235.652	424.995	668.268	1,392.225
289,750		10.259	21.103	43.086	75.620	107.275	228.911	413.271	650.682	1,354.122
305,000		9.965	20.810	41.913	73.568	104.344	222.756	401.547	633.096	1,316.019
335,500		9.379	19.638	39.862	69.758	99.068	211.325	381.030	600.855	1,251.537
366,000		9.086	18.758	38.103	66.534	94.378	201.653	363.444	571.545	1,192.917
396,500		8.793	17.879	36.344	63.603	90.568	193.153	348.789	548.097	1,143.090
427,000		8.207	17.293	35.172	61.258	86.758	185.532	334.134	527.580	1,096.194
457,500		7.914	16.707	33.707	58.913	83.827	178.791	322.410	507.063	1,058.091
488,000		7.621	16.121	32.534	56.861	80.896	172.636	310.686	489.477	1,019.988
518,500		7.621	15.534	31.655	55.103	78.258	167.067	301.893	474.822	987.747
549,000		7.328	14.948	30.482	53.344	75.913	162.084	293.100	460.167	958.437
579,500		7.034	14.655	29.603	51.879	73.568	157.395	283.135	445.512	929.127
610,000		6.741	14.069	29.017	50.413	71.516	152.998	275.514	433.788	905.679

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 1 British thermal unit per hour = 0.2931 W, 1 cubic foot per hour = 0.0283 m³/h, 1 degree = 0.01745 rad.

Notes:

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2. Table entries have been rounded to three significant digits.

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**TABLE G2413.4(16) [402.4(32)]
CORRUGATED STAINLESS STEEL TUBING (CSST)**

Gas	Undiluted Propane
Inlet Pressure	2.7368 kPa.
Pressure Drop	0.1244 kPa.
Specific Gravity	1.50

INTENDED USE: SIZING BETWEEN SINGLE OR SECOND STAGE (Low Pressure) REGULATOR AND THE APPLIANCE SHUTOFF VALVE.														
TUBE SIZE (EHD)														
Flow Designation	13	15	18	19	23	25	30	31	37	39	46	48	60	62
Length (ft)	Capacity in Thousands of Btu per Hour													
5	72	99	181	211	355	426	744	863	1,420	1,638	2,830	3,270	5,780	6,550
10	50	69	129	150	254	303	521	605	971	1,179	1,990	2,320	4,110	4,640
15	39	55	104	121	208	248	422	490	775	972	1,620	1,900	3,370	3,790
20	34	49	91	106	183	216	365	425	661	847	1,400	1,650	2,930	3,290
25	30	42	82	94	164	192	325	379	583	762	1,250	1,480	2,630	2,940
30	28	39	74	87	151	177	297	344	528	698	1,140	1,350	2,400	2,680
40	23	33	64	74	131	153	256	297	449	610	988	1,170	2,090	2,330
50	20	30	58	66	118	137	227	265	397	548	884	1,050	1,870	2,080
60	19	26	53	60	107	126	207	241	359	502	805	961	1,710	1,900
70	17	25	49	57	99	117	191	222	330	466	745	890	1,590	1,760
80	15	23	45	52	94	109	178	208	307	438	696	833	1,490	1,650
90	15	22	44	50	90	102	169	197	286	414	656	787	1,400	1,550
100	14	20	41	47	85	98	159	186	270	393	621	746	1,330	1,480
150	11	15	31	36	66	75	123	143	217	324	506	611	1,090	1,210
200	9	14	28	33	60	69	112	129	183	283	438	531	948	1,050
250	8	12	25	30	53	61	99	117	163	254	390	476	850	934
300	8	11	23	26	50	57	90	107	147	234	357	434	777	854

INTENDED USE: SIZING BETWEEN SINGLE OR SECOND STAGE (Low Pressure) REGULATOR AND THE APPLIANCE SHUTOFF VALVE.														
TUBE SIZE (EHD)														
Flow Designation	13	15	18	19	23	25	30	31	37	39	46	48	60	62
Length (mm)	Capacity in Watts													
1,525	21.103	29.017	53.051	61.844	104.051	124.861	218.066	252.945	416.202	480.098	829.473	958.437	1,694.118	1,919.805
3,050	14.655	20.224	37.810	43.965	74.447	88.809	152.705	177.326	284.600	345.565	583.269	679.992	1,204.641	1,359.984
4,575	11.431	16.121	30.482	35.465	60.965	72.689	123.688	143.619	227.153	284.893	474.822	556.89	987.747	1,110.849
6,100	9.965	14.362	26.672	31.069	53.637	63.310	106.982	124.568	193.739	248.256	410.34	483.615	858.783	964.299
7,625	8.793	12.310	24.034	27.551	48.068	56.275	95.258	111.085	170.877	223.342	366.375	433.788	770.853	861.714
9,150	8.207	11.431	21.689	25.500	44.258	51.879	87.051	100.826	154.757	204.584	334.134	395.685	703.440	785.508
12,200	6.741	9.672	18.758	21.689	38.396	44.844	75.034	87.051	131.602	178.791	289.583	342.927	612.579	682.923
15,250	5.862	8.793	17.000	19.345	34.586	40.155	66.534	77.672	116.361	160.619	259.100	307.755	548.097	609.648
18,300	5.569	7.621	15.534	17.586	31.362	36.931	60.672	70.637	105.223	147.136	235.946	281.669	501.201	556.890
21,350	4.983	7.328	14.362	16.707	29.017	34.293	55.982	65.068	96.723	136.585	218.360	260.859	466.029	515.856
24,400	4.397	6.741	13.190	15.241	27.551	31.948	52.172	60.965	89.982	128.378	203.998	244.152	436.719	483.615
27,450	4.397	6.448	12.896	14.655	26.379	29.896	49.534	57.741	83.827	121.343	192.274	230.670	410.340	454.305
30,500	4.103	5.862	12.017	13.776	24.914	28.724	46.603	54.517	79.137	115.188	182.015	218.653	389.823	433.788
45,500	3.224	4.397	9.086	10.552	19.345	21.983	36.051	41.913	63.603	94.964	148.309	179.084	319.479	354.651
61,000	2.638	4.103	8.207	9.672	17.586	20.224	32.827	37.810	53.637	82.947	128.378	155.636	277.859	307.755
76,250	2.345	3.517	7.328	8.793	15.534	17.879	29.017	34.293	47.775	74.447	114.309	139.516	249.135	273.755
91,500	2.345	3.224	6.741	7.621	14.655	16.707	26.379	31.362	43.086	68.585	104.637	127.205	227.739	250.307

For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm, 1 foot = 304.8 mm, 1 pound per square inch = 6.895 kPa, 1-inch water column = 0.2488 kPa,
1 British thermal unit per hour = 0.2931 W, 1 cubic foot per hour = 0.0283 m³/h, 1 degree = 0.01745 rad.

Notes:

1. Table includes losses for four 90-degree bends and two end fittings. Tubing runs with larger numbers of bends or fittings shall be increased by an equivalent length of tubing to the following equation: $L = 1.3n$ where L is additional length (feet) of tubing and n is the number of additional fittings or bends.
2. EHD—Equivalent Hydraulic Diameter, which is a measure of the relative hydraulic efficiency between different tubing sizes. The greater the value of EHD, the greater the gas capacity of the tubing.
3. Table entries have been rounded to three significant digits.

For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm, 1 foot = 304.8 mm, 1 pound per square inch = 6.895 kPa, 1-inch water column = 0.2488 kPa,
1 British thermal unit per hour = 0.2931 W, 1 cubic foot per hour = 0.0283 m³/h, 1 degree = 0.01745 rad.

Notes:

1. Table capacities are based on Type K copper tubing inside diameter (shown), which has the smallest inside diameter of the copper tubing products.
2. Table entries have been rounded to three significant digits.

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**TABLE G2413.4(17) [402.4(33)]
CORRUGATED STAINLESS STEEL TUBING (CSST)**

Gas	Undiluted Propane
Inlet Pressure	13.79 kPa
Pressure Drop	6.895 kPa
Specific Gravity	1.50

INTENDED USE: SIZING BETWEEN 2 PSI SERVICE AND THE LINE PRESSURE REGULATOR.														
TUBE SIZE (EHD)														
Flow Designation	13	15	18	19	23	25	30	31	37	39	46	48	60	62
Length (ft)	Capacity in Thousands of Btu per Hour													
10	426	558	927	1,110	1,740	2,170	4,100	4,720	7,130	7,958	15,200	16,800	29,400	34,200
25	262	347	591	701	1,120	1,380	2,560	2,950	4,560	5,147	9,550	10,700	18,800	21,700
30	238	316	540	640	1,030	1,270	2,330	2,690	4,180	4,719	8,710	9,790	17,200	19,800
40	203	271	469	554	896	1,100	2,010	2,320	3,630	4,116	7,530	8,500	14,900	17,200
50	181	243	420	496	806	986	1,790	2,070	3,260	3,702	6,730	7,610	13,400	15,400
75	147	196	344	406	663	809	1,460	1,690	2,680	3,053	5,480	6,230	11,000	12,600
80	140	189	333	393	643	768	1,410	1,630	2,590	2,961	5,300	6,040	10,600	12,200
100	124	169	298	350	578	703	1,260	1,450	2,330	2,662	4,740	5,410	9,530	10,900
150	101	137	245	287	477	575	1,020	1,180	1,910	2,195	3,860	4,430	7,810	8,890
200	86	118	213	248	415	501	880	1,020	1,660	1,915	3,340	3,840	6,780	7,710
250	77	105	191	222	373	448	785	910	1,490	1,722	2,980	3,440	6,080	6,900
300	69	96	173	203	343	411	716	829	1,360	1,578	2,720	3,150	5,560	6,300
400	60	82	151	175	298	355	616	716	1,160	1,376	2,350	2,730	4,830	5,460
500	53	72	135	158	268	319	550	638	1,030	1,237	2,100	2,450	4,330	4,880

INTENDED USE: SIZING BETWEEN 2 PSI SERVICE AND THE LINE PRESSURE REGULATOR.														
TUBE SIZE (EHD)														
Flow Designation	13	15	18	19	23	25	30	31	37	39	46	48	60	62
Length (ft)	Capacity in Thousands of Btu per Hour													
3,050	124.861	163.550	271.7037	325.341	509.994	636.027	1201.710	1383.432	2089.803	2332.490	4455.120	4924.080	8617.140	10024.020
7,625	76.792	101.706	173.2221	205.463	328.272	404.478	750.336	864.645	1336.536	1508.586	2799.105	3136.170	5510.280	6360.270
9,150	69.758	92.620	158.274	187.584	301.893	372.237	682.923	788.439	1225.158	1383.139	2552.901	2869.449	5041.320	5803.380
12,200	59.499	79.430	137.4639	162.377	262.618	322.410	589.131	679.992	1063.953	1206.400	2207.043	2491.350	4367.190	5041.320
15,250	53.051	71.223	123.102	145.378	236.239	288.997	524.649	606.717	955.506	1085.056	1972.563	2230.491	3927.540	4513.740
23,000	43.086	57.448	100.8264	118.999	194.325	237.118	427.926	495.339	785.508	894.834	1606.188	1826.013	3224.100	3693.060
24,400	41.034	55.396	97.6023	115.188	188.463	225.101	413.271	477.753	759.129	867.869	1553.430	1770.324	3106.860	3575.820
30,500	36.344	49.534	87.3438	102.585	169.412	206.049	369.306	424.995	682.923	780.232	1389.294	1585.671	2793.243	3194.790
45,500	29.603	40.155	71.8095	84.120	139.809	168.533	298.962	345.858	559.821	643.355	1131.366	1298.433	2289.111	2605.659
61,000	25.207	34.586	62.4303	72.689	121.637	146.843	257.928	298.962	486.546	561.287	978.954	1125.504	1987.218	2259.801
76,250	22.569	30.776	55.9821	65.068	109.326	131.309	230.084	266.721	436.719	504.718	873.438	1008.264	1782.048	2022.390
91,500	20.224	28.138	50.7063	59.499	100.533	120.464	209.860	242.980	398.616	462.512	797.232	923.265	1629.636	1846.530
122,000	17.586	24.034	44.2581	51.293	87.344	104.051	180.550	209.860	339.996	403.306	688.785	800.163	1415.673	1600.326
152,500	15.534	21.103	39.5685	46.310	78.551	93.499	161.205	186.998	301.893	362.565	615.510	718.095	1269.123	1430.328

For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm, 1 foot = 304.8 mm, 1 pound per square inch = 6.895 kPa, 1-inch water column = 0.2488 kPa,
1 British thermal unit per hour = 0.2931 W, 1 cubic foot per hour = 0.0283 m³/h, 1 degree = 0.01745 rad.

Notes:

- Table does not include effect of pressure drop across the line regulator. Where regulator loss exceeds 1/2 psi (based on 13 in. w.c. outlet pressure), DO NOT USE THIS TABLE. Consult with the regulator manufacturer for pressure drops and capacity factors. Pressure drops across a regulator can vary with flow rate.
- CAUTION: Capacities shown in the table might exceed maximum capacity for a selected regulator. Consult with the regulator or tubing manufacturer for guidance.

3. Table includes losses for four 90-degree bends and two end fittings. Tubing runs with larger numbers of bends or fittings shall be increased by an equivalent length of tubing to the following equation: $L = 1.3n$ where L is additional length (feet) of tubing and n is the number of additional fittings or bends.
4. EHD—Equivalent Hydraulic Diameter, which is a measure of the relative hydraulic efficiency between different tubing sizes. The greater the value of EHD, the greater the gas capacity of the tubing.
5. Table entries have been rounded to three significant digits.

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**TABLE G2413.4(18) [402.4(34)]
CORRUGATED STAINLESS STEEL TUBING (CSST)**

Gas	Undiluted Propane
Inlet Pressure	34.475 kPa
Pressure Drop	24.1325 kPa
Specific Gravity	1.50

TUBE SIZE (EHD)														
Flow Designation	13	15	18	19	23	25	30	31	37	39	46	48	60	62
Length (ft)	Capacity in Thousands of Btu per Hour													
10	826	1,070	1,710	2,060	3,150	4,000	7,830	8,950	13,100	14,441	28,600	31,200	54,400	63,800
25	509	664	1,090	1,310	2,040	2,550	4,860	5,600	8,400	9,339	18,000	19,900	34,700	40,400
30	461	603	999	1,190	1,870	2,340	4,430	5,100	7,680	8,564	16,400	18,200	31,700	36,900
40	396	520	867	1,030	1,630	2,030	3,820	4,400	6,680	7,469	14,200	15,800	27,600	32,000
50	352	463	777	926	1,460	1,820	3,410	3,930	5,990	6,717	12,700	14,100	24,700	28,600
75	284	376	637	757	1,210	1,490	2,770	3,190	4,920	5,539	10,300	11,600	20,300	23,400
80	275	363	618	731	1,170	1,450	2,680	3,090	4,770	5,372	9,990	11,200	19,600	22,700
100	243	324	553	656	1,050	1,300	2,390	2,760	4,280	4,830	8,930	10,000	17,600	20,300
150	196	262	453	535	866	1,060	1,940	2,240	3,510	3,983	7,270	8,210	14,400	16,600
200	169	226	393	464	755	923	1,680	1,930	3,050	3,474	6,290	7,130	12,500	14,400
250	150	202	352	415	679	828	1,490	1,730	2,740	3,124	5,620	6,390	11,200	12,900
300	136	183	322	379	622	757	1,360	1,570	2,510	2,865	5,120	5,840	10,300	11,700
400	117	158	279	328	542	657	1,170	1,360	2,180	2,498	4,430	5,070	8,920	10,200
500	104	140	251	294	488	589	1,050	1,210	1,950	2,247	3,960	4,540	8,000	9,110

TUBE SIZE (EHD)														
Flow Designation	13	15	18	19	23	25	30	31	37	39	46	48	60	62
Length (ft)	Capacity in Thousands of Btu per Hour													
3,050	242.101	313.617	501.201	603.786	923.265	1172.400	2294.973	2,623.245	3,839.610	4,232.657	8,383.660	9,144.720	15,944.640	18,699.780
7,625	149.188	194.618	319.479	383.961	597.924	747.405	1424.466	1641.360	2,462.040	2,737.261	5,275.800	5,832.690	10,170.570	11,841.240
9,150	135.119	176.739	292.807	348.789	548.097	685.854	1298.433	1494.810	2,251.008	2,510.108	4,806.840	5,334.420	9,291.270	10,815.390
12,200	116.068	152.412	254.118	301.893	477.753	594.993	1119.642	1289.640	1,957.908	2,189.164	4,162.020	4,630.980	8,089.560	9,379.200
15,250	103.171	135.705	227.739	271.411	427.926	533.442	999.471	1151.883	1,755.669	1,968.753	3,722.370	4,132.710	7,239.570	8,382.660
23,000	83.240	110.206	186.705	221.877	354.651	436.719	811.887	934.989	1,442.052	1,623.481	3,018.930	3,399.960	5,949.930	6,858.540
24,400	80.603	106.395	181.136	214.256	342.927	424.995	785.508	905.679	1,398.087	1,574.533	2,928.069	3,282.720	5,744.760	6,653.370
30,500	71.223	94.964	162.084	192.274	307.755	381.030	700.509	808.956	1,254.468	1,415.673	2,617.383	2,931.000	5,158.560	5,949.930
45,500	57.448	76.792	132.774	156.809	253.825	310.686	568.614	656.544	1,028.781	1,167.417	2,130.837	2,406.351	4,220.640	4,865.460
61,000	49.534	66.241	115.188	135.998	221.291	270.531	492.408	565.683	893.955	1,018.229	1,843.599	2,089.803	3,663.750	4,220.640
76,250	43.965	59.206	103.171	121.637	199.015	242.687	436.719	507.063	803.094	915.644	1,647.222	1,872.909	3,282.720	3,780.990
91,500	39.862	53.637	94.378	111.085	182.308	221.877	398.616	460.167	735.681	839.732	1,500.672	1,711.704	3,018.930	3,429.270
122,000	34.293	46.310	81.775	96.137	158.860	192.567	342.927	398.616	638.958	732.164	1,298.433	1,486.017	2,614.452	2,989.620
152,500	30.482	41.034	73.568	86.171	143.033	172.636	307.755	354.651	571.545	658.596	1,160.676	1,330.674	2,344.800	2,670.141

For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm, 1 foot = 304.8 mm, 1 pound per square inch = 6.895 kPa, 1-inch water column = 0.2488 kPa,
1 British thermal unit per hour = 0.2931 W, 1 cubic foot per hour = 0.0283 m³/h, 1 degree = 0.01745 rad.

Notes:

- Table does not include effect of pressure drop across line regulator. Where regulator loss exceeds 1 psi, DO NOT USE THIS TABLE. Consult with the regulator manufacturer for pressure drops and capacity factors. Pressure drop across regulator can vary with the flow rate.
- CAUTION: Capacities shown in the table might exceed maximum capacity of selected regulator. Consult with the tubing manufacturer for guidance.
- Table includes losses for four 90-degree bends and two end fittings. Tubing runs with larger numbers of bends or fittings shall be increased by an equivalent length of tubing to the following equation: $L = 1.3n$ where L is additional length (feet) of tubing and n is the number of additional fittings or bends.
- EHD—Equivalent Hydraulic Diameter, which is a measure of the relative hydraulic efficiency between different tubing sizes. The greater the value of EHD, the greater the gas capacity of the tubing.
- Table entries have been rounded to three significant digits.

**TABLE G2413.4(19) [402.4(35)]
POLYETHYLENE PLASTIC PIPE**

Gas	Undiluted Propane
Inlet Pressure	2.7368
Pressure Drop	0.1244 kPa/0.5 in. w.c.
Specific Gravity	1.50

INTENDED USE	PE pipe sizing between integral 2-stage regulator at tank or second stage (low-pressure regulator) and building.					
PIPE SIZE (inches)						
Nominal OD	1/2	3/4	1	1 1/4	1 1/2	2
Designation	SDR 9	SDR 11	SDR 11	SDR 10	SDR 11	SDR 11
Actual ID	0.660	0.860	1.077	1.328	1.554	1.943
Length (ft)	Capacity in Thousands of Btu per Hour					
10	340	680	1,230	2,130	3,210	5,770
20	233	468	844	1,460	2,210	3,970
30	187	375	677	1,170	1,770	3,180
40	160	321	580	1,000	1,520	2,730
50	142	285	514	890	1,340	2,420
60	129	258	466	807	1,220	2,190
70	119	237	428	742	1,120	2,010
80	110	221	398	690	1,040	1,870
90	103	207	374	648	978	1,760
100	98	196	353	612	924	1,660
125	87	173	313	542	819	1,470
150	78	157	284	491	742	1,330
175	72	145	261	452	683	1,230
200	67	135	243	420	635	1,140
250	60	119	215	373	563	1,010
300	54	108	195	338	510	916
350	50	99	179	311	469	843
400	46	92	167	289	436	784
450	43	87	157	271	409	736
500	41	82	148	256	387	695

INTENDED USE	PE pipe sizing between integral 2-stage regulator at tank or second stage (low-pressure regulator) and building.					
PIPE SIZE (mm)						
Nominal OD	12.5	19	25	32	38	51
Designation	SDR 9	SDR 11	SDR 11	SDR 10	SDR 11	SDR 11
Actual ID	16.764	21.844	27.356	33.731	39.472	49.352
Length (mm)	Capacity in Watts					
3,050	99.654	199.308	360.513	624.303	940.851	1,691.187
6,100	68.292	137.171	247.376	427.926	647.751	1,163.607
9,150	54.810	109.913	198.429	342.927	518.787	932.058
12,200	46.896	94.085	169.998	293.100	445.512	800.163
15,250	41.620	83.534	150.653	260.859	392.754	709.302
18,300	37.810	75.620	136.585	236.532	357.582	641.889
21,350	34.879	69.465	125.447	217.480	328.272	589.131
24,400	32.241	64.775	116.654	202.239	304.824	548.097
27,450	30.189	60.672	109.619	189.929	286.652	515.856
30,500	28.724	57.448	103.464	179.377	270.824	486.546
38,100	25.500	50.706	91.740	158.860	240.049	430.857
45,500	22.862	46.017	83.240	143.912	217.480	389.8230
53,125	21.103	42.500	76.499	132.481	200.187	360.513

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61,000	19.638	39.569	71.223	123.102	186.119	334.134
76,250	17.586	34.879	63.017	109.326	165.015	296.031
91,500	15.827	31.655	57.155	99.068	149.481	268.480
106,750	14.655	29.017	52.465	91.154	137.464	247.083
122,000	13.483	26.965	48.948	84.706	127.792	229.790
137,250	12.603	25.500	46.017	79.430	119.878	215.722
152,500	12.017	24.034	43.379	75.034	113.430	203.705

For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm, 1 foot = 304.8 mm, 1 pound per square inch = 6.895 kPa, 1-inch water column = 0.2488 kPa,
1 British thermal unit per hour = 0.2931 W, 1 cubic foot per hour = 0.0283 m³/h, 1 degree = 0.01745 rad.

Note: Table entries have been rounded to three significant digits.

**TABLE G2413.4(20) [402.4(36)]
POLYETHYLENE PLASTIC PIPE**

Gas	Undiluted Propane
Inlet Pressure	13.78 kPa
Pressure Drop	6.895 kPa
Specific Gravity	1.50

INTENDED USE	PE pipe sizing between 2 psig service regulator and line pressure regulator.					
PIPE SIZE (inches)						
Nominal OD	1/2	3/4	1	1 1/4	1 1/2	2
Designation	SDR 9	SDR 11	SDR 11	SDR 10	SDR 11	SDR 11
Actual ID	0.660	0.860	1.077	1.328	1.554	1.943
Length (ft)	Capacity in Thousands of Btu per Hour					
10	3,130	6,260	11,300	19,600	29,500	53,100
20	2,150	4,300	7,760	13,400	20,300	36,500
30	1,730	3,450	6,230	10,800	16,300	29,300
40	1,480	2,960	5,330	9,240	14,000	25,100
50	1,310	2,620	4,730	8,190	12,400	22,200
60	1,190	2,370	4,280	7,420	11,200	20,100
70	1,090	2,180	3,940	6,830	10,300	18,500
80	1,010	2,030	3,670	6,350	9,590	17,200
90	952	1,910	3,440	5,960	9,000	16,200
100	899	1,800	3,250	5,630	8,500	15,300
125	797	1,600	2,880	4,990	7,530	13,500
150	722	1,450	2,610	4,520	6,830	12,300
175	664	1,330	2,400	4,160	6,280	11,300
200	618	1,240	2,230	3,870	5,840	10,500
250	548	1,100	1,980	3,430	5,180	9,300
300	496	994	1,790	3,110	4,690	8,430
350	457	914	1,650	2,860	4,320	7,760
400	425	851	1,530	2,660	4,020	7,220
450	399	798	1,440	2,500	3,770	6,770
500	377	754	1,360	2,360	3,560	6,390
550	358	716	1,290	2,240	3,380	6,070
600	341	683	1,230	2,140	3,220	5,790
650	327	654	1,180	2,040	3,090	5,550
700	314	628	1,130	1,960	2,970	5,330
750	302	605	1,090	1,890	2,860	5,140
800	292	585	1,050	1,830	2,760	4,960
850	283	566	1,020	1,770	2,670	4,800
900	274	549	990	1,710	2,590	4,650
950	266	533	961	1,670	2,520	4,520
1,000	259	518	935	1,620	2,450	4,400
1,100	246	492	888	1,540	2,320	4,170
1,200	234	470	847	1,470	2,220	3,980
1,300	225	450	811	1,410	2,120	3,810
1,400	216	432	779	1,350	2,040	3,660
1,500	208	416	751	1,300	1,960	3,530
1,600	201	402	725	1,260	1,900	3,410
1,700	194	389	702	1,220	1,840	3,300
1,800	188	377	680	1,180	1,780	3,200
1,900	183	366	661	1,140	1,730	3,110
2,000	178	356	643	1,110	1,680	3,020

INTENDED USE	PE pipe sizing between 2 psig service regulator and line pressure regulator.					
PIPE SIZE (mm)						
Nominal OD	12.5	19	25	32	38	51

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Designation	SDR 9	SDR 11	SDR 11	SDR 10	SDR 11	SDR 11
Actual ID	16.764	21.844	27.356	33.731	39.472	49.352
Length (mm)	Capacity in Watts					
3,050	917.403	1,834.806	3,312.030	5,744.760	8,646.450	15,563.610
6,100	630.165	1,260.330	2,274.456	3,927.540	5,949.930	10,698.150
9,150	507.063	1,011.195	1,826.013	3,165.480	4,777.530	8,587.830
12,200	433.788	867.576	1,562.223	2,708.244	4,103.400	7,356.810
15,250	383.961	767.922	1,386.363	2,400.489	3,634.440	6,506.820
18,300	348.789	694.647	1,254.468	2,174.802	3,282.720	5,891.310
21,350	319.479	638.958	1,154.814	2,001.873	3,018.930	5,422.350
24,400	296.031	594.993	1,075.677	1,861.185	2,810.829	5,041.320
27,450	279.031	559.821	1,008.264	1,746.876	2,637.900	4,748.220
30,500	263.497	527.580	952.575	1,650.153	2,491.350	4,484.430
38,100	233.601	468.960	844.128	1,462.569	2,207.043	3,956.850
45,500	211.618	424.995	764.991	1,324.812	2,001.873	3,605.130
53,125	194.618	389.823	703.440	1,219.296	1,840.668	3,312.030
61,000	181.136	363.444	653.613	1,134.297	1,711.704	3,077.550
76,250	160.619	322.410	580.338	1,005.333	1,518.258	2,725.830
31,500	145.378	291.341	524.649	911.541	1,374.639	2,470.833
106,750	133.947	267.893	483.615	838.266	1,266.192	2,274.456
122,000	124.568	249.428	448.443	779.646	1,178.262	2,116.182
137,250	116.947	233.894	422.064	732.750	1,104.987	1,984.287
152,500	110.499	220.997	398.616	691.716	1,043.436	1,872.909
167,750	104.930	209.860	378.099	656.544	990.678	1,779.117
183,000	99.947	200.187	360.513	627.234	943.782	1,697.049
198,250	95.844	191.687	345.858	597.924	905.679	1,626.705
213,500	92.033	184.067	331.203	574.476	870.507	1,562.223
228,750	88.516	177.326	319.479	553.959	838.266	1,506.534
244,000	85.585	171.464	307.755	536.373	808.956	1,453.776
259,250	82.947	165.895	298.962	518.787	782.577	1,406.880
274,500	80.309	160.912	290.169	501.201	759.129	1,362.915
289,750	77.965	156.222	281.669	489.477	738.612	1,324.812
305,000	75.913	151.826	274.049	474.822	718.095	1,289.640
335,500	72.103	144.205	260.273	451.374	679.992	1,222.227
366,000	68.585	137.757	248.256	430.857	650.682	1,166.538
396,500	65.948	131.895	237.704	413.271	621.372	1,116.711
427,000	63.310	126.619	228.325	395.685	597.924	1,072.746
457,500	60.965	121.930	220.118	381.030	574.476	1,034.643
488,000	58.913	117.826	212.498	369.306	556.890	999.471
518,500	56.861	114.016	205.756	357.582	539.304	967.230
549,000	55.103	110.499	199.308	345.858	521.718	937.920
579,500	53.637	107.275	193.739	334.134	507.063	911.541
610,000	52.172	104.344	188.463	325.341	492.408	885.162

For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm, 1 foot = 304.8 mm, 1 pound per square inch = 6.895 kPa, 1-inch water column = 0.2488 kPa,
 1 British thermal unit per hour = 0.2931 W, 1 cubic foot per hour = 0.0283 m³/h, 1 degree = 0.01745 rad.

Note: Table entries have been rounded to three significant digits.

**TABLE G2413.4(21) [402.4(37)]
POLYETHYLENE PLASTIC TUBING**

Gas	Undiluted Propane
Inlet Pressure	2.7368.
Pressure Drop	0.1244 kPA.
Specific Gravity	1.50

INTENDED USE: PE PIPE SIZING BETWEEN INTEGRAL 2-STAGE REGULATOR AT TANK OR SECOND STAGE (low-pressure regulator) AND BUILDING.

Plastic Tubing Size (CTS) (inch)		
Nominal OD	1/2	1
Designation	SDR 7	SDR 11
Actual ID	0.445	0.927
Length (ft)	Capacity in Cubic Feet of Gas per Hour	
10	121	828
20	83	569
30	67	457
40	57	391
50	51	347
60	46	314
70	42	289
80	39	269
90	37	252
100	35	238
125	31	211
150	28	191
175	26	176
200	24	164
225	22	154
250	21	145
275	20	138
300	19	132
350	18	121
400	16	113
450	15	106
500	15	100

INTENDED USE: PE PIPE SIZING BETWEEN INTEGRAL 2-STAGE REGULATOR AT TANK OR SECOND STAGE (low-pressure regulator) AND BUILDING.

Plastic Tubing Size (CTS) (mm)		
Nominal OD	12.5	25
Designation	SDR 7	SDR 11
Actual ID	11.303	23.546
Length (mm)	Capacity in m ³ /h	
3,050	3.424	23.432
6,100	2.349	16.103
9,150	1.896	12.933
12,200	1.613	11.065
15,250	1.443	9.820
18,300	1.302	8.886
21,350	1.189	8.179
24,400	1.104	7.613
27,450	1.047	7.132
30,500	0.991	6.735
38,100	0.877	5.971

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45,500	0.792	5.405
53,125	0.736	4.981
61,000	0.679	4.641
68,600	0.623	4.358
76,250	0.594	4.104
84,000	0.566	3.905
91,500	0.538	3.736
106,750	0.509	3.424
122,000	0.453	3.198
137,250	0.425	3.000
152,500	0.425	2.830

For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm, 1 foot = 304.8 mm, 1 pound per square inch = 6.895 kPa, 1-inch water column = 0.2488 kPa,
1 British thermal unit per hour = 0.2931 W, 1 cubic foot per hour = 0.0283 m³/h, 1 degree = 0.01745 rad.

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SECTION G2415 (404) PIPING SYSTEM INSTALLATION

G2415.1 (404.1) Installation of materials. Materials used shall be installed in strict accordance with the standards under which the materials are accepted and approved. In the absence of such installation procedures, the manufacturer's instructions shall be followed. Where the requirements of referenced standards or manufacturer's instructions do not conform to minimum provisions of this code, the provisions of this code shall apply.

G2415.2 (404.2) CSST. CSST piping systems shall be installed in accordance with the terms of their approval, the conditions of listing, the manufacturer's instructions and this code.

G2415.3 (404.3) Prohibited locations. Piping shall not be installed in or through a ducted supply, return or exhaust, or a clothes chute, chimney or gas vent, dumbwaiter or elevator shaft. Piping installed downstream of the point of delivery shall not extend through any townhouse unit other than the unit served by such piping.

G2415.4 (404.4) Piping in solid partitions and walls. Concealed piping shall not be located in solid partitions and solid walls, unless installed in a chase or casing.

G2415.5 (404.5) Fittings in concealed locations. Fittings installed in concealed locations shall be limited to the following types:

1. Threaded elbows, tees and couplings.
2. Brazed fittings.
3. Welded fittings.
4. Fittings listed to ANSI LC1/CSA 6.26 or ANSI LC4/CSA 6.32.

G2415.6 (404.6) Underground penetrations prohibited. Gas piping shall not penetrate building foundation walls at any point below grade. Gas piping shall enter and exit a building at a point above grade and the annular space between the pipe and the wall shall be sealed.

G2415.7 (404.7) Protection against physical damage. Where piping will be concealed within light-frame construction assemblies, the piping shall be protected against penetration by fasteners in accordance with Sections G2415.7.1 through G2415.7.3.

Exception: Black steel piping and galvanized steel piping shall not be required to be protected.

G2415.7.1 (404.7.1) Piping through bored holes or notches. Where piping is installed through holes or notches in framing members and the piping is located less than 38 mm (1½ inches) from the framing member face to which wall, ceiling or floor membranes will be attached, the pipe shall be protected by shield plates that cover the width of the pipe and the framing member and that extend not less than 100 mm (4 inches) to each side of the framing member. Where the framing member that the piping passes through is a bottom plate, bottom track, top plate or top track, the shield plates shall cover the framing member and extend not less than 100 mm (4 inches) above the bottom framing

member and not less than 100 mm (4 inches) below the top framing member.

G2415.7.2 (404.7.2) Piping installed in other locations. Where the piping is located within a framing member and is less than 38 mm (1½ inches) from the framing member face to which wall, ceiling or floor membranes will be attached, the piping shall be protected by shield plates that cover the width and length of the piping. Where the piping is located outside of a framing member and is located less than 38 mm (1½ inches) from the nearest edge of the face of the framing member to which the membrane will be attached, the piping shall be protected by shield plates that cover the width and length of the piping.

2415.7.3 (404.7.3) Shield plates. Shield plates shall be of steel material having a thickness of not less than 1.463 mm (0.0575 inch) (No. 16 gage).

G2415.8 (404.8) Piping in solid floors. Piping in solid floors shall be laid in channels in the floor and covered in a manner that will allow access to the piping with a minimum amount of damage to the building. Where such piping is subject to exposure to excessive moisture or corrosive substances, the piping shall be protected in an approved manner. As an alternative to installation in channels, the piping shall be installed in a conduit of Schedule 40 steel, wrought iron, PVC or ABS pipe in accordance with Section G2415.8.1 or G2415.8.2.

G2415.8.1 (404.8.1) Conduit with one end terminating outdoors. The conduit shall extend into an occupiable portion of the building and, at the point where the conduit terminates in the building, the space between the conduit and the gas piping shall be sealed to prevent the possible entrance of any gas leakage. The conduit shall extend not less than 51 mm (2 inches) beyond the point where the pipe emerges from the floor. If the end sealing is capable of withstanding the full pressure of the gas pipe, the conduit shall be designed for the same pressure as the pipe. Such conduit shall extend not less than 100 mm (4 inches) outside the building, shall be vented above grade to the outdoors and shall be installed so as to prevent the entrance of water and insects.

G2415.8.2 (404.8.2) Conduit with both ends terminating indoors. Where the conduit originates and terminates within the same building, the conduit shall originate and terminate in an accessible portion of the building and shall not be sealed. The conduit shall extend not less than 51 mm (2 inches) beyond the point where the pipe emerges from the floor.

G2415.9 (404.9) Above-ground piping outdoors. Piping installed outdoors shall be elevated not less than 89 mm (3½ inches) above ground and where installed across roof surfaces, shall be elevated not less than 89 mm (3½ inches) above the roof surface. Piping installed above ground, outdoors, and installed across the surface of roofs shall be securely supported and located where it will be protected from physical damage. Where passing through an outside wall, the piping shall be protected against corrosion by coating or wrapping with an inert material. Where piping is encased in a protective pipe sleeve, the annular space between the piping and the sleeve shall be sealed.

G2415.10 (404.10) Isolation. Metallic *piping* and metallic *tubing* that conveys *fuel gas* from an LP-gas storage container shall be provided with an *approved* dielectric fitting to electrically isolate the underground portion of the pipe or tube from the above-ground portion that enters a building. Such dielectric fitting shall be installed above ground, outdoors.

G2415.11 (404.11) Protection against corrosion. Steel pipe or *tubing* exposed to corrosive action, such as soil condition or moisture, shall be protected in accordance with Sections G2415.11.1 through G2415.11.5.

G2415.11.1 (404.11.1) Galvanizing. Zinc coating shall not be deemed adequate protection for underground gas piping.

G2415.11.2 (404.11.2) Protection methods. Underground piping shall comply with one or more of the following:

1. The piping shall be made of corrosion-resistant material that is suitable for the environment in which it will be installed.
2. Pipe shall have a factory-applied, electrically-insulating coating. Fittings and joints between sections of coated pipe shall be coated in accordance with the coating manufacturer's instructions.
3. The piping shall have a cathodic protection system installed and the system shall be monitored and maintained in accordance with an approved program.

G2415.11.3 (404.11.3) Dissimilar metals. Where dissimilar metals are joined underground, an insulating coupling or fitting shall be used.

G2415.11.4 (404.11.4) Protection of risers. Steel risers connected to plastic piping shall be cathodically protected by means of a welded anode, except where such risers are anodeless risers.

G2415.11.5 (404.11.5) Prohibited use. Uncoated threaded or socket-welded joints shall not be used in *piping* in contact with soil or where internal or external crevice corrosion is known to occur.

G2415.12 (404.12) Minimum burial depth. Underground *piping systems* shall be installed a minimum depth of 305 mm (12 inches) below grade, except as provided for in Section G2415.12.1.

G2415.12.1 (404.12.1) Individual outdoor appliances. Individual lines to outdoor lights, grills and other *appliances* shall be installed not less than 205 mm (8 inches) below finished grade, provided that such installation is *approved* and is installed in locations not susceptible to physical damage.

G2415.13 (404.13) Trenches. The trench shall be graded so that the pipe has a firm, substantially continuous bearing on the bottom of the trench.

G2415.14 (404.14) Piping underground beneath buildings. *Piping* installed underground beneath buildings is prohibited except where the *piping* is encased in a conduit of wrought iron, plastic pipe, steel pipe, a piping or encasement system

listed for installation beneath buildings, or other *approved* conduit material designed to withstand the superimposed loads. The conduit shall be protected from corrosion in accordance with Section G2415.11 and shall be installed in accordance with Section G2415.14.1 or G2415.14.2.

G2415.14.1 (404.14.1) Conduit with one end terminating outdoors. The conduit shall extend into an occupiable portion of the building and, at the point where the conduit terminates in the building, the space between the conduit and the *gas piping* shall be sealed to prevent the possible entrance of any gas leakage. The conduit shall extend not less than 51 mm (2 inches) beyond the point where the *pipe* emerges from the floor. Where the end sealing is capable of withstanding the full pressure of the gas pipe, the conduit shall be designed for the same pressure as the pipe. Such conduit shall extend not less than 100 mm (4 inches) outside the building, shall be vented above grade to the outdoors and shall be installed so as to prevent the entrance of water and insects.

G2415.14.2 (404.14.2) Conduit with both ends terminating indoors. Where the conduit originates and terminates within the same building, the conduit shall originate and terminate in an accessible portion of the building and shall not be sealed. The conduit shall extend not less than 51 mm (2 inches) beyond the point where the pipe emerges from the floor.

G2415.15 (404.15) Outlet closures. *Gas outlets* that do not connect to *appliances* shall be capped gastight.

Exception: *Listed* and *labelled* flush-mounted-type quick-disconnect devices and *listed* and *labelled gas convenience outlets* shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

G2415.16 (404.16) Location of outlets. The unthreaded portion of *piping outlets* shall extend not less than 25 mm (1 inch) through finished ceilings and walls and where extending through floors or outdoor patios and slabs, shall be not less than 51 mm (2 inches) above them. The *outlet* fitting or *piping* shall be securely supported. *Outlets* shall not be placed behind doors. *Outlets* shall be located in the room or space where the *appliance* is installed.

Exception: *Listed* and *labelled* flush-mounted-type quick-disconnect devices and *listed* and *labelled gas convenience outlets* shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

G2415.17 (404.17) Plastic pipe. The installation of plastic *pipe* shall comply with Sections G2415.17.1 through G2415.17.3.

G2415.17.1 (404.17.1) Limitations. Plastic pipe shall be installed outdoors underground only. Plastic pipe shall not be used within or under any building or slab or be operated at pressures greater than 689 kPa (100 psig) for natural gas or 207 kPa (30 psig) for LP-gas.

Exceptions:

- a) Plastic pipe shall be permitted to terminate above ground outside of buildings where installed in premanufactured *anodeless risers* or service head

adapter risers that are installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

- b) Plastic pipe shall be permitted to terminate with a wall head adapter within buildings where the plastic pipe is inserted in a *pipng* material for *fuel gas* use in buildings.
- c) Plastic pipe shall be permitted under outdoor patio, walkway and driveway slabs provided that the burial depth complies with Section G2415.12.

G2415.17.2 (404.17.2) Connections. Connections made outdoors and underground between metallic and plastic *pipng* shall be made only with transition fittings conforming to ASTM D2513 Category I or ASTM F1973.

G2415.17.3 (404.17.3) Tracer. A yellow-insulated copper tracer wire or other *approved* conductor, or a product specifically designed for that purpose, shall be installed adjacent to underground nonmetallic *pipng*. *Access* shall be provided to the tracer wire or the tracer wire shall terminate above ground at each end of the nonmetallic *pipng*. The tracer wire size shall be not less than 18 AWG and the insulation type shall be suitable for direct burial.

G2415.18 (404.18) Pipe cleaning. The use of a flammable or combustible gas to clean or remove debris from a *pipng system* shall be prohibited.

G2415.19 (404.19) Prohibited devices. A device shall not be placed inside the *pipng* or fittings that will reduce the cross-sectional area or otherwise obstruct the free flow of gas.

Exceptions:

1. Approved gas filters.
2. An approved fitting or device where the *gas pipng system* has been sized to accommodate the pressure drop of the fitting or device.

G2415.20 (404.20) Testing of pipng. Before any system of *pipng* is put in service or concealed, it shall be tested to ensure that it is gastight. Testing, inspection and purging of *pipng systems* shall comply with Section G2417.

SECTION G2416 (405)

PIPING BENDS AND CHANGES IN DIRECTION

G2416.1 (405.1) General. Changes in direction of pipe shall be permitted to be made by the use of fittings, factory bends or field bends.

G2416.2 (405.2) Metallic pipe. Metallic pipe bends shall comply with the following:

1. Bends shall be made only with bending tools and procedures intended for that purpose.
2. Bends shall be smooth and free from buckling, cracks or other evidence of mechanical damage.
3. The longitudinal weld of the pipe shall be near the neutral axis of the bend.
4. Pipe shall not be bent through an arc of more than 90 degrees (1.6 rad).

5. The inside radius of a bend shall be not less than six times the outside diameter of the pipe.

G2416.3 (405.3) Plastic pipe. Plastic pipe bends shall comply with the following:

1. The pipe shall not be damaged and the internal diameter of the pipe shall not be effectively reduced.
2. Joints shall not be located in pipe bends.
3. The radius of the inner curve of such bends shall be not less than 25 times the inside diameter of the pipe.
4. Where the *pipng* manufacturer specifies the use of special bending tools or procedures, such tools or procedures shall be used.

SECTION G2417 (406)

INSPECTION, TESTING AND PURGING

G2417.1 (406.1) General. Prior to acceptance and initial operation, all *pipng* installations shall be visually inspected and pressure tested to determine that the materials, design, fabrication and installation practices comply with the requirements of this code.

G2417.1.1 (406.1.1) Inspections. Inspection shall consist of visual examination, during or after manufacture, fabrication, assembly or *pressure tests*.

G2417.1.2 (406.1.2) Repairs and additions. In the event repairs or additions are made after the *pressure test*, the affected *pipng* shall be tested.

Minor repairs and additions are not required to be *pressure tested* provided that the building work is inspected and connections are tested with a noncorrosive leak-detecting fluid or other *approved* leak-detecting methods.

G2417.1.3 (406.1.3) New branches. Where new branches are installed to new *appliances*, only the newly installed branches shall be required to be *pressure tested*. Connections between the new *pipng* and the existing *pipng* shall be tested with a noncorrosive leak-detecting fluid or other *approved* leak-detecting methods.

G2417.1.4 (406.1.4) Section testing. A *pipng system* shall be permitted to be tested as a complete unit or in sections. A *valve* in a line shall not be used as a bulkhead between gas in one section of the *pipng system* and test medium in an adjacent section, except where a double block and bleed valve system is installed. A valve shall not be subjected to the test pressure unless it can be determined that the valve, including the valve-closing mechanism, is designed to safely withstand the test pressure.

G2417.1.5 (406.1.5) Regulators and valve assemblies. *Regulator* and valve assemblies fabricated independently of the *pipng system* in which they are to be installed shall be permitted to be tested with inert gas or air at the time of fabrication.

G2417.1.6 (406.1.6) Pipe clearing. Prior to testing, the

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interior of the pipe shall be cleared of all foreign material.

G2417.2 (406.2) Test medium. The test medium shall be air, nitrogen, carbon dioxide or an inert gas. Oxygen shall not be used as a test medium.

G2417.3 (406.3) Test preparation. *Pipe* joints, including welds, shall be left exposed for examination during the test.

Exception: Covered or *concealed pipe* end joints that have been previously tested in accordance with this *code*.

G2417.3.1 (406.3.1) Expansion joints. Expansion joints shall be provided with temporary restraints, if required, for the additional thrust load under test.

G2417.3.2 (406.3.2) Appliance and equipment isolation. *Appliances* and *equipment* that are not to be included in the test shall be either disconnected from the *pipng* or isolated by blanks, blind flanges or caps.

G2417.3.3 (406.3.3) Appliance and equipment disconnection. Where the *pipng system* is connected to *appliances* or *equipment* designed for operating pressures of less than the test pressure, such *appliances* or *equipment* shall be isolated from the *pipng system* by disconnecting them and capping the *outlet(s)*.

G2417.3.4 (406.3.4) Valve isolation. Where the *pipng system* is connected to *appliances* or *equipment* designed for operating pressures equal to or greater than the test pressure, such *appliances* or *equipment* shall be isolated from the *pipng system* by closing the individual *appliance* or *equipment* shutoff valve(s).

G2417.3.5 (406.3.5) Testing precautions. Testing of *pipng* systems shall be performed in a manner that protects the safety of employees and the public during the test.

G2417.4 (406.4) Test pressure measurement. Test pressure shall be measured with a manometer or with a pressure-measuring device designed and calibrated to read, record, or indicate a pressure loss caused by leakage during the *pressure test* period. The source of pressure shall be isolated before the *pressure tests* are made. Mechanical gauges used to measure test pressures shall have a range such that the highest end of the scale is not greater than five times the test pressure.

G2417.4.1 (406.4.1) Test pressure. The test pressure to be used shall be not less than $1\frac{1}{2}$ times the proposed maximum working pressure, but not less than 20 kPa gauge (3 psig), irrespective of design pressure. Where the test pressure exceeds 862 kPa gauge (125 psig), the test pressure shall not exceed a value that produces a hoop stress in the *pipng* greater than 50 percent of the specified minimum yield strength of the pipe.

G2417.4.2 (406.4.2) Test duration. The test duration shall be not less than 10 minutes.

G2417.5 (406.5) Detection of leaks and defects. The *pipng system* shall withstand the test pressure specified without showing any evidence of leakage or other defects. Any reduction of test pressures as indicated by pressure gauges shall be deemed to indicate the presence of a leak unless such reduction can be readily attributed to some other cause.

G2417.5.1 (406.5.1) Detection methods. The leakage shall be located by means of an *approved* gas detector, a noncorrosive leak detection fluid or other *approved* leak detection methods.

G2417.5.2 (406.5.2) Corrections. Where leakage or other defects are located, the affected portion of the *pipng system* shall be repaired or replaced and retested.

G2417.6 (406.6) Pipng system and equipment leakage check. Leakage checking of systems and *equipment* shall be in accordance with Sections G2417.6.1 through G2417.6.4.

G2417.6.1 (406.6.1) Test gases. Leak checks using fuel gas shall be permitted in *pipng systems* that have been pressure tested in accordance with Section G2417.

G2417.6.2 (406.6.2) Before turning gas on. During the process of turning gas on into a system of new *gas pipng*, the entire system shall be inspected to determine that there are no open fittings or ends and that all *valves* at unused outlets are closed and plugged or capped.

G2417.6.3 (406.6.3) Leak check. Immediately after the gas is turned on into a new system or into a system that has been initially restored after an interruption of service, the *pipng system* shall be checked for leakage. Where leakage is indicated, the gas supply shall be shut off until the necessary repairs have been made.

G2417.6.4 (406.6.4) Placing appliances and equipment in operation. *Appliances* and *equipment* shall not be placed in operation until after the *pipng system* has been checked for leakage in accordance with Section G2417.6.3, the *pipng system* has been purged in accordance with Section G2417.7 and the connections to the *appliances* have been checked for leakage.

G2417.7 (406.7) Purging. The purging of *pipng* shall be in accordance with Sections G2417.7.1 through 2417.7.3.

G2417.7.1 (406.7.1) Pipng systems required to be purged outdoors. The purging of *pipng systems* shall be in accordance with the provisions of Sections G2417.7.1.1 through G2417.7.1.4 where the *pipng system* meets either of the following:

1. The design operating gas pressure is greater than 13.79 kPa (2 psig).
2. The *pipng* being purged contains one or more sections of pipe or tubing meeting the size and length criteria of Table G2417.7.1.1.

G2417.7.1.1 (406.7.1.1) Removal from service. Where existing *gas pipng* is opened, the section that is opened shall be isolated from the gas supply and the line pressure vented in accordance with Section G2417.7.1.3. Where *gas pipng* meeting the criteria of Table G2417.7.1.1 is removed from service, the residual fuel gas in the *pipng* shall be displaced with an inert gas.

**TABLE G2417.7.1.1 (406.7.1.1)
SIZE AND LENGTH OF PIPING**

NOMINAL PIPE SIZE (Millimetres) ^a	LENGTH OF PIPING (Metres)
≥ 63.5 < 76	> 15.23
≥ 76 < 100	> 9.14
≥ 100 < 150	> 4.57
≥ 150 < 205	> 3.05
≥ 205	Any length

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot.

1. CSST EHD size of 62 is equivalent to nominal 51 mm or tubing size.

G2417.7.1.2 (406.7.1.2) Placing in operation. Where *gas piping* containing air and meeting the criteria of Table G2417.7.1.1 is placed in operation, the air in the *piping* shall first be displaced with an inert gas. The inert gas shall then be displaced with fuel gas in accordance with Section G2417.7.1.3.

G2417.7.1.3 (406.7.1.3) Outdoor discharge of purged gases. The open end of a *piping* system being pressure vented or purged shall discharge directly to an outdoor location. Purging operations shall comply will all of the following requirements:

1. The point of discharge shall be controlled with a shutoff valve.
2. The point of discharge shall be located not less than 3,050 mm (10 feet) from sources of ignition, not less than 3,050 mm (10 feet) from building openings and not less than 7,620 mm (25 feet) from mechanical air intake openings.
3. During discharge, the open point of discharge shall be continuously attended and monitored with a combustible gas indicator that complies with Section G2417.7.1.4.
4. Purging operations introducing fuel gas shall be stopped when 90 percent fuel gas by volume is detected within the pipe.
5. Persons not involved in the purging operations shall be evacuated from all areas within 3,050 mm (10 feet) of the point of discharge.

G2417.7.1.4 (406.7.1.4) Combustible gas indicator. Combustible gas indicators shall be listed and shall be calibrated in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions. Combustible gas indicators shall numerically display a volume scale from zero percent to 100 percent in 1-percent or smaller increments.

G2417.7.2 (406.7.2) Piping systems allowed to be purged indoors or outdoors. The purging of *piping systems* shall be in accordance with the provisions of Section G2417.7.2.1 where the *piping system* meets both of the following:

1. The design operating gas pressure is 13.79 kPa gauge (2 psig) or less.

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2. The *pip ing* being purged is constructed entirely from pipe or tubing not meeting the size and length criteria of Table G2417.7.1.1.

G2417.7.2.1 (406.7.2.1) Purging procedure. The *pip ing system* shall be purged in accordance with one or more of the following:

1. The *pip ing* shall be purged with fuel gas and shall discharge to the outdoors.
2. The *pip ing* shall be purged with fuel gas and shall discharge to the indoors or outdoors through an *appliance* burner not located in a combustion chamber. Such burner shall be provided with a continuous source of ignition.
3. The *pip ing* shall be purged with fuel gas and shall discharge to the indoors or outdoors through a burner that has a continuous source of ignition and that is designed for such purpose.
4. The *pip ing* shall be purged with fuel gas that is discharged to the indoors or outdoors, and the point of discharge shall be monitored with a listed combustible gas detector in accordance with Section G2417.7.2.2. Purging shall be stopped when fuel gas is detected.
5. The *pip ing* shall be purged by the gas supplier in accordance with written procedures.

G2417.7.2.2 (406.7.2.2) Combustible gas detector. Combustible gas detectors shall be listed and shall be calibrated or tested in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions. Combustible gas detectors shall be capable of indicating the presence of fuel gas.

G2417.7.3 (406.7.3) Purging appliances and equipment. After the *pip ing system* has been placed in operation, *appliances* and *equipment* shall be purged before being placed into operation.

SECTION G2418 (407) PIPING SUPPORT

G2418.1 (407.1) General. *Pip ing* shall be provided with support in accordance with Section G2418.2.

G2418.2 (407.2) Design and installation. *Pip ing* shall be supported with metal pipe hooks, metal pipe straps, metal bands, metal brackets, metal hangers or building structural components suitable for the size of *pip ing*, of adequate strength and quality, and located at intervals so as to prevent or damp out excessive vibration. *Pip ing* shall be anchored to prevent undue strains on connected *appliances* and shall not be supported by other *pip ing*.

Pipe hangers and supports shall conform to the requirements of MSS SP-58 and shall be spaced in accordance with Section G2424. Supports, hangers and anchors shall be installed so as not to interfere with the free expansion and contraction of the *pip ing* between anchors. The components of the supporting *equipment* shall be designed and installed so that they will not be disengaged by movement of the supported *pip ing*.

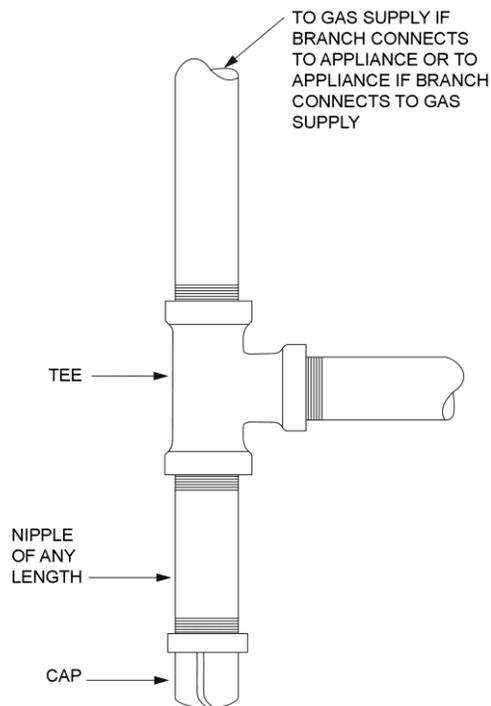
**SECTION G2419 (408)
DRIPS AND SLOPED PIPING**

G2419.1 (408.1) Slopes. Piping for other than dry gas conditions shall be sloped not less than 6.35 mm in 4.575 mm (1/4 inch in 15 feet) to prevent traps.

G2419.2 (408.2) Drips. Where wet gas exists, a drip shall be provided at any point in the line of pipe where condensate could collect. A drip shall be provided at the outlet of the meter and shall be installed so as to constitute a trap wherein an accumulation of condensate will shut off the flow of gas before the condensate will run back into the meter.

G2419.3 (408.3) Location of drips. Drips shall be provided with ready access to permit cleaning or emptying. A drip shall not be located where the condensate is subject to freezing.

G2419.4 (408.4) Sediment trap. Where a sediment trap is not incorporated as part of the appliance, a sediment trap shall be installed downstream of the appliance shutoff valve as close to the inlet of the appliance as practical. The sediment trap shall be either a tee fitting having a capped nipple of any length installed vertically in the bottommost opening of the tee as illustrated in Figure G2419.4 or other device approved as an effective sediment trap. Illuminating appliances, ranges, clothes dryers, decorative vented appliances for installation in vented fireplaces, gas fireplaces and outdoor grills need not be so equipped.



**FIGURE G2419.4 (408.4)
METHOD OF INSTALLING A TEE FITTING SEDIMENT TRAP**

**SECTION G2420 (409)
SHUTOFF VALVES**

G2420.1 (409.1) General. Piping systems shall be provided with shutoff valves in accordance with this section.

G2420.1.1 (409.1.1) Valve approval. Shutoff valves shall be of an approved type; shall be constructed of materials compatible with the piping; and shall comply with the standard that is applicable for the pressure and application, in accordance with Table G2420.1.1.

G2420.1.2 (409.1.2) Prohibited locations. Shutoff valves shall be prohibited in concealed locations and furnace plenums.

G2420.1.3 (409.1.3) Access to shutoff valves. Shutoff valves shall be located in places so as to provide access for operation and shall be installed so as to be protected from damage.

G2420.2 (409.2) Meter valve. Every meter shall be equipped with a shutoff valve located on the supply side of the meter.

G2420.3 (409.3.2) Individual buildings. In a common system serving more than one building, shutoff valves shall be installed outdoors at each building.

G2420.4 (409.4) MP regulator valves. A listed shutoff valve shall be installed immediately ahead of each MP regulator.

G2420.5 (409.5) Appliance shutoff valve. Each appliance shall be provided with a shutoff valve in accordance with Section G2420.5.1, G2420.5.2 or G2420.5.3.

G2420.5.1 (409.5.1) Located within same room. The shutoff valve shall be located in the same room as the appliance. The shutoff valve shall be within 1,830 mm (6 feet) of the appliance, and shall be installed upstream of the union, connector or quick disconnect device it serves. Such shutoff valves shall be provided with access. Shutoff valves serving movable appliances, such as cooking appliances and clothes dryers, shall be considered to be provided with access where installed behind such appliances.

**TABLE G2420.1.1 (409.1.1)
MANUAL GAS VALVE STANDARDS**

VALVE STANDARDS	APPLIANCE SHUTOFF VALVE APPLICATION UP TO 3.4475 kPa PRESSURE	OTHER VALVE APPLICATIONS			
		UP TO 3.4475 kPa PRESSURE	UP TO 13.79 kPa PRESSURE	UP TO 34.475 kPa PRESSURE	UP TO 861.875 kPa PRESSURE
ANSI Z21.15/CGA 9.1	X	—	—	—	—
ASME B16.44	X	X	X ^a	X ^b	—
ASME B16.33	X	X	X	X	X

For Inch Pound Units: 1 kPa = 9.145 lb/in²gauge.

1. If labelled 2G.
2. If labelled 5G.

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Appliance shutoff valves located in the firebox of a *fireplace* shall be installed in accordance with the *appliance* manufacturer's instructions.

G2420.5.2 (409.5.2) Vented decorative appliances and room heaters. Shutoff valves for vented decorative *appliances*, room heaters and decorative *appliances* for installation in vented *fireplaces* shall be permitted to be installed in an area remote from the *appliances* where such valves are provided with *ready access*. Such *valves* shall be permanently identified and shall not serve another *appliance*. The *pipng* from the shutoff valve to within 1,830 mm (6 feet) of the *appliance* shall be designed, sized and installed in accordance with Sections G2412 through G2419.

G2420.5.3 (409.5.3) Located at manifold. Where the *appliance* shutoff valve is installed at a manifold, such shutoff valve shall be located within 15,250 mm (50 feet) of the *appliance* served and shall be readily accessible and permanently identified. The *pipng* from the manifold to within 1,830 mm (6 feet) of the *appliance* shall be designed, sized and installed in accordance with Sections G2412 through G2419.

G2420.6 (409.7) Shutoff valves in tubing systems. Shutoff valves installed in tubing systems shall be rigidly and securely supported independently of the tubing.

tee fitting shall be positioned to allow connection of a pressure-measuring instrument and to serve as a sediment trap.

SECTION G2421 (410) FLOW CONTROLS

G2421.1 (410.1) Pressure regulators. A line *pressure regulator* shall be installed where the *appliance* is designed to operate at a lower pressure than the supply pressure. *Line gas pressure regulators* shall be *listed* as complying with ANSI Z21.80/CSA 6.22. *Access* shall be provided to *pressure regulators*. *Pressure regulators* shall be protected from physical damage. *Regulators* installed on the exterior of the building shall be *approved* for outdoor installation.

G2421.2 (410.2) MP regulators. MP *pressure regulators* shall comply with the following:

1. The MP *regulator* shall be *approved* and shall be suitable for the inlet and outlet gas pressures for the application.
2. The MP *regulator* shall maintain a reduced outlet pressure under lock-up (no-flow) conditions.
3. The capacity of the MP *regulator*, determined by published ratings of its manufacturer, shall be adequate to supply the *appliances* served.
4. The MP *pressure regulator* shall be provided with *access*. Where located indoors, the *regulator* shall be vented to the outdoors or shall be equipped with a leak-limiting device, in either case complying with Section G2421.3.
5. A tee fitting with one opening capped or plugged shall be installed between the MP *regulator* and its upstream shutoff valve. Such

6. A tee fitting with one opening capped or plugged shall be installed not less than 10 pipe diameters downstream of the MP *regulator* outlet. Such tee fitting shall be positioned to allow connection of a pressure-measuring instrument. The tee fitting is not required where the MP regulator serves an appliance that has a pressure test port on the gas control inlet side and the appliance is located in the same room as the MP regulator.
7. Where connected to rigid *pipng*, a union shall be installed within 305 mm (1 foot) of either side of the MP *regulator*.

G2421.3 (410.3) Venting of regulators. *Pressure regulators* that require a vent shall be vented directly to the outdoors. The vent shall be designed to prevent the entry of insects, water and foreign objects.

Exception: A vent to the outdoors is not required for *regulators* equipped with and *labelled* for utilization with an *approved* vent-limiting device installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

G2421.3.1 (410.3.1) Vent piping. Vent *pipng* for relief vents and breather vents shall be constructed of materials allowed for *gas piping* in accordance with Section G2414. Vent *pipng* shall be not smaller than the vent connection on the pressure-regulating device. Vent *pipng* serving relief vents and combination relief and breather vents shall be run independently to the outdoors and shall serve only a single device vent. Vent *pipng* serving only breather vents is permitted to be connected in a manifold arrangement where sized in accordance with an *approved* design that minimizes backpressure in the event of diaphragm rupture. *Regulator* vent *pipng* shall not exceed the length specified in the *regulator* manufacturer's instructions.

G2421.4 (410.4) Excess flow valves. Where automatic *excess flow valves* are installed, they shall be listed in accordance with ANSI Z21.93/CSA 6.30 and shall be sized and installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

G2421.5 (410.5) Flashback arrestor check valve. Where fuel gas is used with oxygen in any hot work operation, a listed protective device that serves as a combination flash-back arrestor and backflow check valve shall be installed at an *approved* location on both the fuel gas and oxygen supply lines. Where the pressure of the piped fuel gas supply is insufficient to ensure such safe operation, *approved* equipment shall be installed between the gas meter and the appliance that increases pressure to the level required for such safe operation.

G2422.1 (411.1) Connecting appliances. *Appliances* shall be connected to the *pipng system* by one of the following:

1. Rigid metallic pipe and fittings.
2. Corrugated stainless steel *tubng* (CSST) where installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

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3. *Listed and labelled appliance connectors* in compliance with ANSI Z21.24/CSA 6.10 and installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions and located entirely in the same room as the *appliance*.
4. *Listed and labelled quick-disconnect devices* used in conjunction with *listed and labelled appliance connectors*.
5. *Listed and labelled convenience outlets* used in conjunction with *listed and labelled appliance connectors*.
6. *Listed and labelled outdoor appliance connectors* in compliance with ANSI Z21.75/CSA 6.27 and installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.
7. *Listed outdoor gas hose connectors* in compliance with ANSI Z21.54 used to connect portable outdoor *appliances*. The gas hose connection shall be made only in the outdoor area where the *appliance* is used, and shall be to the gas *pipng* supply at an *appliance* shutoff valve, a *listed* quick-disconnect device or *listed* gas convenience outlet.

G2422.1.1 (411.1.2) Protection from damage. Connectors and *tubing* shall be installed so as to be protected against physical damage.

G2422.1.2 (411.1.3) Connector installation. *Appliance* fuel connectors shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions and Sections G2422.1.2.1 through G2422.1.2.4.

G2422.1.2.1 (411.1.3.1) Maximum length. Connectors shall have an overall length not to exceed 1,830 mm (6 feet). Measurement shall be made along the centerline of the connector. Only one connector shall be used for each *appliance*.

Exception: Rigid metallic *pipng* used to connect an *appliance* to the *pipng system* shall be permitted to have a total length greater than 1,830 mm (6 feet), provided that the connecting pipe is sized as part of the *pipng system* in accordance with Section G2413 and the location of the *appliance* shutoff valve complies with Section G2420.5.

G2422.1.2.2 (411.1.3.2) Minimum size. Connectors shall have the capacity for the total *demand* of the connected *appliance*.

G2422.1.2.3 (411.1.3.3) Prohibited locations and penetrations. Connectors shall not be concealed within, or extended through, walls, floors, partitions, ceilings or *appliance* housings.

Exceptions:

1. Connectors constructed of materials allowed for *pipng systems* in accordance with Section G2414 shall be permitted to pass through walls, floors, partitions and ceilings where installed in accordance with Section G2420.5.2 or G2420.5.3.

2. Rigid steel pipe connectors shall be permitted to extend through openings in *appliance* housings.
3. *Fireplace* inserts that are factory equipped with grommets, sleeves or other means of protection in accordance with the listing of the *appliance*.
4. Semirigid *tubing* and *listed* connectors shall be permitted to extend through an opening in an *appliance* housing, cabinet or casing where the tubing or connector is protected against damage.

G2422.1.2.4 (411.1.3.4) Shutoff valve. A shutoff valve not less than the nominal size of the connector shall be installed ahead of the connector in accordance with Section G2420.5.

G2422.1.3 (411.1.5) Connection of gas engine-powered air conditioners. Internal combustion engines shall not be rigidly connected to the gas supply *pipng*.

G2422.1.4 (411.1.6) Unions. A union fitting shall be provided for *appliances* connected by rigid metallic pipe. Such unions shall be accessible and located within 1,830 mm (6 feet) of the *appliance*.

G2422.1.5 (411.1.4) Movable appliances. Where *appliances* are equipped with casters or are otherwise subject to periodic movement or relocation for purposes such as routine cleaning and maintenance, such *appliances* shall be connected to the supply system *pipng* by means of an *appliance connector listed* as complying with ANSI Z21.69/CSA 6.16 or by means of Item 1 of Section G2422.1. Such flexible connectors shall be installed and protected against physical damage in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

G2422.2 (411.3) Suspended low-intensity infrared tube heaters. Suspended low-intensity infrared tube heaters shall be connected to the building *pipng system* with a connector *listed* for the application complying with ANSI Z21.24/CGA

1. The connector shall be installed as specified by the tube heater manufacturer's instructions.

**SECTION G2423 (413)
COMPRESSED NATURAL GAS MOTOR
VEHICLE FUEL-DISPENSING FACILITIES**

G2423.1 (413.1) General. Motor fuel-dispensing facilities for CNG fuel shall be in accordance with Section 413 of the *Jamaica Fuel Gas Code*.

**SECTION G2424 (415)
PIPING SUPPORT INTERVALS**

G2424.1 (415.1) Interval of support. *Pipng* shall be supported at intervals not exceeding the spacing specified in Table G2424.1. Spacing of supports for CSST shall be in accordance with the CSST manufacturer's instructions.

**TABLE G2424.1 (415.1)
SUPPORT OF PIPING**

STEEL PIPE, NOMINAL SIZE OF PIPE (Millimetres)	SPACING OF SUPPORTS (Metres)	NOMINAL SIZE OF TUBING SMOOTH-WALL (Millimetre O.D.)	SPACING OF SUPPORTS (Metres)
12.5	1.828	12.5	1.219
19 or 25	2.437	16 or 19	1.828
32 or larger. (horizontal)	3.046	22 or 25 (horizontal)	2.437
32 or larger (vertical)	Every floor level	25 or larger (vertical)	Every floor level

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 m = 0.00328 foot.

SECTION G2425 (501) GENERAL

G2425.1 (501.1) Scope. This section shall govern the installation, maintenance, repair and approval of factory-built *chimneys*, *chimney* liners, vents and connectors and the utilization of masonry *chimneys* serving gas-fired *appliances*.

G2425.2 (501.2) General. Every *appliance* shall discharge the products of combustion to the outdoors, except for *appliances* exempted by Section G2425.8.

G2425.3 (501.3) Masonry chimneys. *Masonry chimneys* shall be constructed in accordance with Section G2427.5 and Chapter 10.

G2425.4 (501.4) Minimum size of chimney or vent. *Chimneys* and vents shall be sized in accordance with Sections G2427 and G2428.

G2425.5 (501.5) Abandoned inlet openings. Abandoned inlet openings in *chimneys* and vents shall be closed by an *approved* method.

G2425.6 (501.6) Positive pressure. Where an *appliance* equipped with a mechanical forced *draft* system creates a positive pressure in the venting system, the venting system shall be designed for positive pressure applications.

G2425.7 (501.7) Connection to fireplace. Connection of *appliances* to *chimney* flues serving *fireplaces* shall be in accordance with Sections G2425.7.1 through G2425.7.3.

G2425.7.1 (501.7.1) Closure and access. A noncombustible seal shall be provided below the point of connection to prevent entry of room air into the flue. Means shall be provided for *access* to the flue for inspection and cleaning.

G2425.7.2 (501.7.2) Connection to factory-built fireplace flue. An *appliance* shall not be connected to a flue serving a *factory-built fireplace* unless the *appliance* is specifically *listed* for such installation. The connection shall be made in accordance with the *appliance* manufacturer's installation instructions.

G2425.7.3 (501.7.3) Connection to masonry fireplace flue. A connector shall extend from the *appliance* to the flue serving a *masonry fireplace* such that the *flue gases* are exhausted directly into the flue. The connector shall be accessible or removable for inspection and cleaning of

both the connector and the flue. *Listed* direct connection devices shall be installed in accordance with their listing.

G2425.8 (501.8) Appliances not required to be vented. The following *appliances* shall not be required to be vented:

1. Ranges.
2. Built-in domestic cooking units *listed* and marked for optional venting.
3. Hot plates and laundry stoves.
4. *Type 1 clothes dryers* (*Type 1 clothes dryers* shall be exhausted in accordance with the requirements of Section G2439).
5. Refrigerators.
6. Counter *appliances*.
7. Room heaters *listed* for unvented use.

Where the *appliances* listed in Items 5 through 7 are installed so that the aggregate input rating exceeds 207 W/m³ (20 Btu per hour per cubic foot) of volume of the room or space in which such *appliances* are installed, one or more shall be provided with venting *systems* or other *approved* means for conveying the *vent gases* to the outdoor atmosphere so that the aggregate input rating of the remaining *unvented appliances* does not exceed 207 W/m³ (20 Btu per hour per cubic foot). Where the room or space in which the *appliance* is installed is directly connected to another room or space by a doorway, archway or other opening of comparable size that cannot be closed, the volume of such adjacent room or space shall be permitted to be included in the calculations.

G2425.9 (501.9) Chimney entrance. Connectors shall connect to a *masonry chimney* flue at a point not less than 305 mm (12 inches) above the lowest portion of the interior of the *chimney* flue.

G2425.10 (501.10) Connections to exhauster. *Appliance* connections to a *chimney* or vent equipped with a power exhauster shall be made on the inlet side of the exhauster. Joints on the positive pressure side of the exhauster shall be sealed to prevent flue-gas leakage as specified by the manufacturer's installation instructions for the exhauster.

G2425.11 (501.11) Masonry chimneys. *Masonry chimneys* utilized to vent *appliances* shall be located, constructed and sized as specified in the manufacturer's installation instructions for the *appliances* being vented and Section G2427.

G2425.12 (501.12) Residential and low-heat appliances flue lining systems. *Flue lining* systems for use with residential-type and low-heat *appliances* shall be limited to the following:

1. Clay *flue lining* complying with the requirements of ASTM C315 or equivalent. Clay *flue lining* shall be installed in accordance with Chapter 10.
2. *Listed chimney* lining systems complying with UL 1777.
3. Other *approved* materials that will resist, without cracking, softening or corrosion,

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flue gases and condensate at temperatures up to 982 °C (1,800°F).

G2425.13 (501.13) Category I appliance flue lining systems. *Flue lining* systems for use with Category I *appliances* shall be limited to the following:

1. *Flue lining* systems complying with Section G2425.12.
2. *Chimney* lining systems *listed* and *labelled* for use with gas *appliances* with *draft hoods* and other Category I gas *appliances listed* and *labelled* for use with Type B vents.

G2425.14 (501.14) Category II, III and IV appliance venting systems. The design, sizing and installation of vents for Category II, III and IV *appliances* shall be in accordance with the *appliance* manufacturer's instructions.

G2425.15 (501.15) Existing chimneys and vents. Where an *appliance* is permanently disconnected from an existing *chimney* or vent, or where an *appliance* is connected to an existing *chimney* or vent during the process of a new installation, the *chimney* or vent shall comply with Sections G2425.15.1 through G2425.15.4.

G2425.15.1 (501.15.1) Size. The *chimney* or vent shall be resized as necessary to control flue gas condensation in the interior of the *chimney* or vent and to provide the *appliance* or *appliances* served with the required *draft*. For Category I *appliances*, the resizing shall be in accordance with Section G2426.

G2425.15.2 (501.15.2) Flue passageways. The flue gas passageway shall be free of obstructions and combustible deposits and shall be cleaned if previously used for venting a solid or liquid fuel-burning *appliance* or *fireplace*. The *flue liner*, *chimney* inner wall or vent inner wall shall be continuous and shall be free of cracks, gaps, perforations, or other damage or deterioration that would allow the escape of *combustion products*, including gases, moisture and creosote.

G2425.15.3 (501.15.3) Cleanout. *Masonry chimney* flues shall be provided with a cleanout opening having a minimum height of 150 mm (6 inches). The upper edge of the opening shall be located not less than 150 mm (6 inches) below the lowest *chimney* inlet opening. The cleanout shall be provided with a tight-fitting, noncombustible cover.

G2425.15.4 (501.15.4) Clearances. *Chimneys* and vents shall have airspace *clearance* to combustibles in accordance with Chapter 10 and the *chimney* or vent manufacturer's installation instructions.

Exception: *Masonry chimneys* without the required airspace *clearances* shall be permitted to be used if lined or relined with a *chimney* lining system *listed* for use in *chimneys* with reduced *clearances* in accordance with UL 1777. The *chimney clearance* shall be not less than permitted by the terms of the *chimney* liner listing and the manufacturer's instructions.

G2425.15.4.1 (501.15.4.1) Fireblocking. Noncombustible fireblocking shall be provided in accordance with Chapter 10.

SECTION G2426 (502) VENTS

G2426.1 (502.1) General. Vents, except as provided in Section G2427.7, shall be *listed* and *labelled*. Type B and BW vents shall be tested in accordance with UL 441. Type L vents shall be tested in accordance with UL 641. Vents for Category II and III *appliances* shall be tested in accordance with UL 1738. Plastic vents for Category IV *appliances* shall not be required to be *listed* and *labelled* where such vents are as specified by the *appliance* manufacturer and are installed in accordance with the *appliance* manufacturer's instructions.

G2426.2 (502.2) Connectors required. Connectors shall be used to connect *appliances* to the vertical *chimney* or vent, except where the *chimney* or vent is attached directly to the *appliance*. Vent *connector* size, material, construction and installation shall be in accordance with Section G2427.

G2426.3 (502.3) Vent application. The application of vents shall be in accordance with Table G2427.4.

G2426.4 (502.4) Insulation shield. Where vents pass through insulated assemblies, an insulation shield constructed of steel having a minimum thickness of 0.4712 mm (0.0187 inch) (No. 26 gage) shall be installed to provide *clearance* between the vent and the insulation material. The *clearance* shall be not less than the *clearance* to combustibles specified by the vent manufacturer's installation instructions. Where vents pass through attic space, the shield shall terminate not less than 51 mm (2 inches) above the insulation materials and shall be secured in place to prevent displacement. Insulation shields provided as part of a *listed* vent system shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

G2426.5 (502.5) Installation. Vent systems shall be sized, installed and terminated in accordance with the vent and *appliance* manufacturer's installation instructions and Section G2427.

G2426.6 (502.6) Support of vents. All portions of vents shall be adequately supported for the design and weight of the materials employed.

G2426.7 (502.7) Protection against physical damage. In *concealed locations*, where a vent is installed through holes or notches in studs, joists, rafters or similar members less Than 38 mm (1½ inches) from the nearest edge of the member, the vent shall be protected by shield plates. Protective steel shield plates having a minimum thickness of 1.463 mm (0.0575- inch) (No. 16 gage) shall cover the area of the vent where the member is notched or bored and shall extend not less than 100 mm (4 inches) above sole plates, below top plates and to each side of a stud, joist or rafter.

G2426.7.1 (502.7.1) Door swing. Appliance and equipment vent terminals shall be located such that doors cannot swing within 305 mm (12 inches) horizontally of the vent terminal. Door stops or closures shall not be installed to obtain this clearance.

SECTION G2427 (503) VENTING OF APPLIANCES

G2427.1 (503.1) General. The venting of appliances shall be in accordance with Sections G2427.2 through G2427.16.

G2427.2 (503.2) Venting systems required. Except as permitted in Sections G2425.8, G2427.2.1 and G2427.2.2, all *appliances* shall be connected to *venting systems*.

G2427.2.1 (503.2.3) Direct-vent appliances. *Listed direct-vent appliances* shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions and Section G2427.8, Item 3.

G2427.2.2 (503.2.4) Appliances with integral vents. *Appliances* incorporating integral venting means shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions and Section G2427.8, Items 1 and 2.

G2427.3 (503.3) Design and construction. *Venting systems* shall be designed and constructed so as to convey all flue and *vent gases* to the outdoors.

G2427.3.1 (503.3.1) Appliance draft requirements. A *venting system* shall satisfy the *draft* requirements of the *appliance* in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

G2427.3.2 (503.3.2) Design and construction. *Appliances* required to be vented shall be connected to a *venting system* designed and installed in accordance with the provisions of Sections G2427.4 through G2427.16.

G2427.3.3 (503.3.3) Mechanical draft systems. Mechanical *draft* systems shall comply with the following:

1. Mechanical *draft* systems shall be *listed* in accordance with UL 378 and shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions for both the *appliance* and the mechanical *draft* system.
2. *Appliances* requiring venting shall be permitted to be vented by means of mechanical *draft* systems of either forced or induced *draft* design.
3. Forced *draft* systems and all portions of induced *draft* systems under positive pressure during operation shall be designed and installed so as to prevent leakage of flue or *vent gases* into a building.
4. *Vent connectors* serving *appliances* vented by natural *draft* shall not be connected into any portion of mechanical *draft* systems operating under positive pressure.
5. Where a mechanical *draft* system is employed, provisions shall be made to prevent the flow of gas to the *main burners* when the *draft* system is not performing so as to satisfy the operating requirements of the *appliance* for safe performance.
6. The exit terminals of mechanical *draft* systems shall be not less than 2,150 mm (7 feet) above finished ground level where located adjacent to public walk-

ways and shall be located as specified in Section G2427.8, Items 1 and 2.

G2427.3.4 (503.3.5) Air ducts and furnace plenums. *Venting systems* shall not extend into or pass through any fabricated air duct or *furnace plenum*.

G2427.3.5 (503.3.6) Above-ceiling air-handling spaces. Where a *venting system* passes through an above-ceiling air-handling space or other nonducted portion of an air-handling system, the *venting system* shall conform to one of the following requirements:

1. The *venting system* shall be a *listed* special gas vent; other *venting system* serving a Category III or Category IV *appliance*; or other positive pressure vent, with joints sealed in accordance with the *appliance* or vent manufacturer's instructions.
2. The *venting system* shall be installed such that fittings and joints between sections are not installed in the above-ceiling space.
3. The *venting system* shall be installed in a conduit or enclosure with sealed joints separating the interior of the conduit or enclosure from the ceiling space.

G2427.4 (503.4) Type of venting system to be used. The type of *venting system* to be used shall be in accordance with Table G2427.4.

G2427.4.1 (503.4.1) Plastic piping. Where plastic piping is used to vent an *appliance*, the *appliance* shall be *listed* for use with such venting materials and the *appliance* manufacturer's installation instructions shall identify the specific plastic piping material. The plastic pipe venting materials shall be *labelled* in accordance with the product standards specified by the *appliance* manufacturer or shall be *listed* in accordance with UL 1738.

G2427.4.1.1 (503.4.1.1) (IFGS) Plastic vent joints. Plastic *pipe* and fittings used to vent *appliances* shall be installed in accordance with the *appliance* manufacturer's instructions. Plastic pipe venting materials *listed* and *labelled* in accordance with UL 1738 shall be installed in accordance with the *vent* manufacturer's instructions. Where a primer is required, it shall be of a contrasting color.

G2427.4.2 (503.4.2) Special gas vent. Special gas *vent* shall be *listed* and *labelled* in accordance with UL 1738 and installed in accordance with the special gas *vent* manufacturer's instructions.

G2427.5 (503.5) Masonry, metal and factory-built chimneys. Masonry, metal and factory-built *chimneys* shall comply with Sections G2427.5.1 through G2427.5.10.

G2427.5.1 (503.5.1) Factory-built chimneys. Factory-built *chimneys* shall be *listed* in accordance with UL 103 and installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions. Factory-built *chimneys* used to vent *appliances* that operate at a positive vent pressure shall be *listed* for such application.

TABLE G2427.4 (503.4)
TYPE OF VENTING SYSTEM TO BE USED

APPLIANCES	TYPE OF VENTING SYSTEM
Listed Category I <i>appliances</i> <i>Listed appliances</i> equipped with draft hood <i>Appliances</i> listed for use with Type B gas vent	Type B gas vent (Section G2427.6) <i>Chimney</i> (Section G2427.5) Single-wall metal pipe (Section G2427.7) <i>Listed</i> chimney lining system for gas venting (Section G2427.5.2) Special gas vent listed for these appliances (Section G2427.4.2)
<i>Listed</i> vented wall furnaces	Type B-W gas vent (Sections G2427.6, G2436)
Category II, Category III and Category IV <i>appliances</i>	As specified or furnished by manufacturers of <i>listed appliances</i> (Sections G2427.4.1, G2427.4.2)
Unlisted <i>appliances</i>	Chimney (Section G2427.5)
Decorative <i>appliances</i> in vented fireplaces	Chimney
Direct-vent <i>appliances</i>	See Section G2427.2.1
<i>Appliances</i> with integral vent	See Section G2427.2.2

G2427.5.2 (503.5.3) Masonry chimneys. Masonry *chimneys* shall be built and installed in accordance with NFPA 211 and shall be lined with an *approved clay flue lining*, a *chimney lining system listed and labelled* in accordance with UL 1777 or other *approved* material that will resist corrosion, erosion, softening or cracking from vent gases at temperatures up to 982 °C (1,800°F).

Exception: Masonry *chimney* flues serving *listed gas appliances* with *draft hoods*, Category I *appliances* and other *gas appliances listed* for use with Type B vents shall be permitted to be lined with a *chimney lining system specifically listed* for use only with such *appliances*. The liner shall be installed in accordance with the liner manufacturer's instructions. A permanent identifying label shall be attached at the point where the connection is to be made to the liner. The label shall read: "This *chimney* liner is for *appliances* that burn gas only. Do not connect to solid or liquid fuel-burning appliances or incinerators."

G2427.5.3 (503.5.4) Chimney termination. *Chimneys* for residential-type or low-heat *appliances* shall extend not less than 915 mm (3 feet) above the highest point where they pass through a roof of a building and not less than 610 mm (2 feet) higher than any portion of a building within a horizontal distance of 3,050 mm (10 feet). *Chimneys* for medium-heat *appliances* shall extend not less than 3,050 mm (10 feet) higher than any portion of any building within 7,625 mm (25 feet). *Chimneys* shall extend not less than 1,525 mm (5 feet) above the highest connected *appliance draft hood* outlet or *flue collar*. Decorative shrouds shall not be installed at the termination of factory-built *chimneys* except where such shrouds are *listed and labelled* for use with the specific factory-built *chimney* system and are installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

G2427.5.4 (503.5.5) Size of chimneys. The effective area of a *chimney* venting system serving *listed appliances* with *draft hoods*, Category I *appliances*, and other *appliances listed* for use with Type B vents shall be determined in accordance with one of the following methods:

1. The provisions of Section G2428.

2. For sizing an individual *chimney* venting system for a single *appliance* with a *draft hood*, the effective areas of the *vent connector* and *chimney* flue shall be not less than the area of the *appliance flue collar* or *draft hood* outlet, nor greater than seven times the *draft hood* outlet area.
3. For sizing a *chimney* venting system connected to two *appliances* with *draft hoods*, the effective area of the *chimney* flue shall be not less than the area of the larger *draft hood* outlet plus 50 percent of the area of the smaller *draft hood* outlet, nor greater than seven times the smallest *draft hood* outlet area.
4. *Chimney venting systems* using mechanical *draft* shall be sized in accordance with *approved* engineering methods.
5. Other *approved* engineering methods.

G2427.5.5 (503.5.6) Inspection of chimneys. Before replacing an existing *appliance* or connecting a vent *connector* to a *chimney*, the *chimney* passageway shall be examined to ascertain that it is clear and free of obstructions and it shall be cleaned if previously used for venting solid or liquid fuel-burning appliances or *fireplaces*.

G2427.5.5.1 (503.5.6.1) Chimney lining. *Chimneys* shall be lined in accordance with NFPA 211.

Exception: Where an existing chimney complies with Sections G2427.5.5 through G2427.5.5.3 and its sizing is in accordance with Section G2427.5.4, its continued use shall be allowed where the *appliance* vented by such *chimney* is replaced by an *appliance* of similar type, input rating and efficiency.

G2427.5.5.2 (503.5.6.2) Cleanouts. Cleanouts shall be examined and where they do not remain tightly closed when not in use, they shall be repaired or replaced.

G2427.5.5.3 (503.5.6.3) Unsafe chimneys. Where inspection reveals that an existing *chimney* is not safe for the intended application, it shall be repaired, rebuilt, lined, relined or replaced with a vent or *chimney* to con-

form to NFPA 211 and it shall be suitable for the *appliances* to be vented.

G2427.5.6 (503.5.7) Chimneys serving appliances burning other fuels. *Chimneys* serving *appliances* burning other fuels shall comply with Sections G2427.5.6.1 through G2427.5.6.4.

G2427.5.6.1 (503.5.7.1) Solid fuel-burning appliances. An *appliance* shall not be connected to a *chimney* flue serving a separate *appliance* designed to burn solid fuel.

G2427.5.6.2 (503.5.7.2) Liquid fuel-burning appliances. Where one *chimney* flue serves gas *appliances* and liquid fuel-burning appliances, the appliances shall be connected through separate openings or shall be connected through a single opening where joined by a suitable fitting located as close as practical to the *chimney*. Where two or more openings are provided into one *chimney* flue, they shall be at different levels. Where the appliances are automatically controlled, they shall be equipped with *safety shutoff devices*.

G2427.5.6.3 (503.5.7.3) Combination gas- and solid fuel-burning appliances. A combination gas- and solid fuel-burning *appliance* shall be permitted to be connected to a single *chimney* flue where equipped with a manual reset device to shut off gas to the *main burner* in the event of sustained backdraft or flue gas spillage. The *chimney* flue shall be sized to properly vent the *appliance*.

G2427.5.6.4 (503.5.7.4) Combination gas- and oil fuel-burning appliances. Where a single *chimney* flue serves a *listed* combination gas- and oil fuel-burning *appliance*, such flue shall be sized in accordance with the *appliance* manufacturer's instructions.

G2427.5.7 (503.5.8) Support of chimneys. All portions of *chimneys* shall be supported for the design and weight of the materials employed. Factory-built *chimneys* shall be supported and spaced in accordance with the manufacturer's installation instructions.

G2427.5.8 (503.5.9) Cleanouts. Where a *chimney* that formerly carried flue products from liquid or solid fuel-burning appliances is used with an *appliance* using *fuel gas*, an accessible cleanout shall be provided. The cleanout shall have a tight-fitting cover and be installed so its upper edge is not less than 150 mm (6 inches) below the lower edge of the lowest *chimney* inlet opening.

G2427.5.9 (503.5.10) Space surrounding lining or vent. The remaining space surrounding a *chimney* liner, gas vent, special gas vent or plastic *pipng* installed within a masonry *chimney* flue shall not be used to vent another *appliance*. The insertion of another liner or vent within the *chimney* as provided in this *code* and the liner or vent manufacturer's instructions shall not be prohibited.

The remaining space surrounding a *chimney* liner, gas vent, special gas vent or plastic *pipng* installed within a masonry, metal or factory-built *chimney* shall not be used to supply *combustion air*. Such space shall not be prohib-

ited from supplying *combustion air* to *direct-vent appliances* designed for installation in a solid fuel-burning *fireplace* and installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

G2427.5.10 (503.5.11) Insulation shield. Where a factory-built chimney passes through insulated assemblies, an insulation shield constructed of steel having a thickness of not less than 0.475 mm (0.0187 inch) (nominal 26 gage) shall be installed to provide clearance between the chimney and the insulation material. The clearance shall be not less than the clearance to combustibles specified by the chimney manufacturer's installation instructions. Where chimneys pass through attic space, the shield shall terminate not less than 51 mm (2 inches) above the installation materials and shall be secured in place to prevent displacement. Insulation shields provided as part of a *listed* chimney system shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's installation instructions.

G2427.6 (503.6) Gas vents. Gas vents shall comply with Sections G2427.6.1 through G2427.6.12. (See Section G2403, General Definitions.)

G2427.6.1 (503.6.1) Materials. Type B and BW gas vents shall be *listed* in accordance with UL 441. Vents for *listed* combination gas- and oil-burning *appliances* shall be *listed* in accordance with UL 641.

G2427.6.2 (503.6.2) Installation, general. Gas vents shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

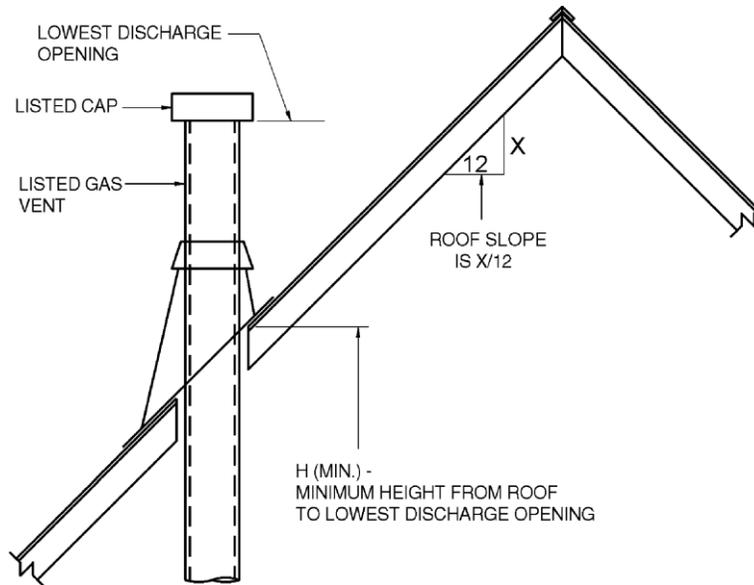
G2427.6.3 (503.6.3) Type B-W vent capacity. A Type B-W gas vent shall have a listed capacity not less than that of the *listed vented wall furnace* to which it is connected.

G2427.6.4 (503.6.5) Gas vent terminations. A gas vent shall terminate in accordance with one of the following:

1. Gas vents that are 305 mm (12 inches) or less in size and located not less than 2,450 mm (8 feet) from a vertical wall or similar obstruction shall terminate above the roof in accordance with Figure G2427.6.4.
2. Gas vents that are over 305 mm (12 inches) in size or are located less than 2,450 mm (8 feet) from a vertical wall or similar obstruction shall terminate not less than 610 mm (2 feet) above the highest point where they pass through the roof and not less than 610 mm (2 feet) above any portion of a building within 3,050 mm (10 feet) horizontally.
3. As provided for direct-vent systems in Section G2427.2.1.
4. As provided for *appliances* with integral vents in Section G2427.2.2.
5. As provided for mechanical *draft* systems in Section G2427.3.3.

G2427.6.4.1 (503.6.5.1) Decorative shrouds. Decorative shrouds shall not be installed at the termination of gas vents except where such shrouds are *listed* for use with the specific gas venting system and are installed in

accordance with manufacturer's instructions.



ROOF SLOPE	H (minimum) mm
Flat to $\frac{6}{12}$	305
Over $\frac{6}{12}$ to $\frac{7}{12}$	380
Over $\frac{7}{12}$ to $\frac{8}{12}$	455
Over $\frac{8}{12}$ to $\frac{9}{12}$	610
Over $\frac{9}{12}$ to $\frac{10}{12}$	760
Over $\frac{10}{12}$ to $\frac{11}{12}$	990
Over $\frac{11}{12}$ to $\frac{12}{12}$	1,220
Over $\frac{12}{12}$ to $\frac{14}{12}$	1,525
Over $\frac{14}{12}$ to $\frac{16}{12}$	1,830
Over $\frac{16}{12}$ to $\frac{18}{12}$	2,150
Over $\frac{18}{12}$ to $\frac{20}{12}$	2,285
Over $\frac{20}{12}$ to $\frac{21}{12}$	2,450

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot.

FIGURE G2427.6.4 (503.6.5)
TERMINATION LOCATIONS FOR GAS VENTS WITH LISTED CAPS 305 mm OR LESS IN SIZE NOT LESS THAN 2,450 mm FROM A VERTICAL WALL

G2427.6.5 (503.6.6) Minimum height. A Type B or L gas vent shall terminate not less than 1,525 mm (5 feet) in vertical height above the highest connected *appliance draft hood* or *flue collar*. A Type B-W gas vent shall terminate not less than 3,660 mm (12 feet) in vertical height above the bottom of the wall *furnace*.

G2427.6.6 (503.6.7) Roof terminations. Gas vents shall extend through the roof flashing, roof jack or roof thimble and terminate with a *listed cap* or *listed roof assembly*.

G2427.6.7 (503.6.8) Forced air inlets. Gas vents shall terminate not less than 915 mm (3 feet) above any forced air inlet located within 3,050 mm (10 feet).

G2427.6.8 (503.6.9) Exterior wall penetrations. A gas vent extending through an exterior wall shall not terminate adjacent to the wall or below eaves or parapets, except as provided in Sections G2427.2.1 and G2427.3.3.

G2427.6.9 (503.6.10) Size of gas vents. *Venting systems* shall be sized and constructed in accordance with Sections G2427.6.9.1 through G2427.6.9.4 and the *appliance manufacturer's installation instructions*.

G2427.6.9.1 (503.6.10.1) Category I appliances. The sizing of *natural draft venting systems* serving one or more *listed appliances* equipped with a *draft hood* or *appliances listed* for use with Type B gas vent, installed in a single story of a building, shall be in accordance with one of the following methods:

1. The provisions of Section G2428.
2. For sizing an individual gas vent for a single, draft-hood-equipped *appliance*, the effective area of the vent *connector* and the gas vent shall be not less than the area of the *appliance draft hood* outlet, nor greater than seven times the *draft hood* outlet area.

3. For sizing a gas vent connected to two *appliances* with *draft hoods*, the effective area of the vent shall be not less than the area of the larger *draft hood* outlet plus 50 percent of the area of the smaller *draft hood* outlet, nor greater than seven times the smaller *draft hood* outlet area.
4. *Approved* engineering practices.

G2427.6.9.2 (503.6.10.2) Vent offsets. Type B and L vents sized in accordance with Item 2 or 3 of Section G2427.6.8.1 shall extend in a generally vertical direction with offsets not exceeding 45 degrees (0.79 rad), except that a vent system having not more than one 60-degree (1.04 rad) *offset* shall be permitted. Any angle greater than 45 degrees (0.79 rad) from the vertical is considered horizontal. The total horizontal distance of a vent plus the horizontal vent *connector* serving *draft-hood*-equipped *appliances* shall be not greater than 75 percent of the vertical height of the vent.

G2427.6.9.3 (503.6.10.3) Category II, III and IV appliances. The sizing of gas vents for Category II, III and IV appliances shall be in accordance with the *appliance* manufacturer's instructions. The sizing of plastic pipe that is specified by the appliance manufacturer as a venting material for Category II, III and IV appliances, shall be in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

G2427.6.9.4 (503.6.10.4) Mechanical draft. *Chimney venting systems* using mechanical *draft* shall be sized in accordance with *approved* engineering methods.

G2427.6.10 (503.6.12) Support of gas vents. Gas vents shall be supported and spaced in accordance with the manufacturer's installation instructions.

G2427.6.11 (503.6.13) Marking. In those localities where solid and liquid fuels are used extensively, gas vents shall be permanently identified by a label attached to the wall or ceiling at a point where the *vent connector* enters the gas vent. The determination of where such localities exist shall be made by the *Local Authority*. The label shall read:

"This gas vent is for appliances that burn gas. Do not connect to solid or liquid fuel-burning appliances or incinerators."

G2427.6.12 (503.6.14) Fastener penetrations. Screws, rivets and other fasteners shall not penetrate the inner wall of double-wall gas vents, except at the transition from an *appliance draft hood* outlet, a *flue collar* or a single-wall metal connector to a double-wall vent.

G2427.7 (503.7) Single-wall metal pipe. Single-wall metal pipe vents shall comply with Sections G2427.7.1 through G2427.7.13.

G2427.7.1 (503.7.1) Construction. Single-wall metal pipe shall be constructed of galvanized sheet steel not less than 0.7 mm (0.0304 inch) thick, or other *approved*, non-combustible, corrosion-resistant material.

G2427.7.2 (503.7.2) Cold climate. Uninsulated single-wall metal pipe shall not be used outdoors for venting

appliances in regions where the 99-percent winter design temperature is below 0 °C (32°F).

G2427.7.3 (503.7.3) Termination. Single-wall metal pipe shall terminate not less than 1,525 mm (5 feet) in vertical height above the highest connected *appliance draft hood* outlet or *flue collar*. Single-wall metal pipe shall extend not less than 610 mm (2 feet) above the highest point where it passes through a roof of a building and not less than 610 mm (2 feet) higher than any portion of a building within a horizontal distance of 3,050 mm (10 feet). An *approved* cap or roof assembly shall be attached to the terminus of a single-wall metal pipe.

G2427.7.4 (503.7.4) Limitations of use. Single-wall metal pipe shall be used only for runs directly from the space in which the *appliance* is located through the roof or exterior wall to the outdoor atmosphere.

G2427.7.5 (503.7.5) Roof penetrations. A pipe passing through a roof shall extend without interruption through the roof flashing, roof jack or roof thimble. Where a single-wall metal pipe passes through a roof constructed of *combustible material*, a noncombustible, nonventilating thimble shall be used at the point of passage. The thimble shall extend not less than 455 mm (18 inches) above and 150 mm (6 inches) below the roof with the annular space open at the bottom and closed only at the top. The thimble shall be sized in accordance with Section G2427.7.7.

G2427.7.6 (503.7.6) Installation. Single-wall metal pipe shall not originate in any unoccupied attic or concealed space and shall not pass through any attic, inside wall, concealed space, or floor. The installation of a single-wall metal pipe through an exterior combustible wall shall comply with Section G2427.7.7.

G2427.7.7 (503.7.7) Single-wall penetrations of combustible walls. A single-wall metal pipe shall not pass through a combustible exterior wall unless guarded at the point of passage by a ventilated metal thimble not smaller than the following:

1. For *listed appliances* with *draft hoods* and *appliances listed* for use with Type B gas vents, the thimble shall be not less than 100 mm (4 inches) larger in diameter than the metal pipe. Where there is a run of not less than 150 mm (6 feet) of metal pipe in the open between the *draft hood* outlet and the thimble, the thimble shall be permitted to be not less than 51 mm (2 inches) larger in diameter than the metal pipe.
2. For unlisted *appliances* having *draft hoods*, the thimble shall be not less than 150 mm (6 inches) larger in diameter than the metal pipe.
3. For residential and low-heat *appliances*, the thimble shall be not less than 305 mm (12 inches) larger in diameter than the metal pipe.

Exception: In lieu of thimble protection, all *combustible material* in the wall shall be removed a sufficient

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distance from the metal pipe to provide the specified *clearance* from such metal pipe to *combustible mate-*

rial. Any material used to close up such opening shall be noncombustible.

operable window

G2427.7.8 (503.7.8) Clearances. Minimum *clearances* from single-wall metal pipe to *combustible material* shall be in accordance with Table G2427.10.5. The *clearance* from single-wall metal pipe to *combustible material* shall be permitted to be reduced where the *combustible material* is protected as specified for *vent connectors* in Table G2409.2.

G2427.7.9 (503.7.9) Size of single-wall metal pipe. A venting system constructed of single-wall metal pipe shall be sized in accordance with one of the following methods and the *appliance* manufacturer's instructions:

1. For a draft-hood-equipped *appliance*, in accordance with Section G2428.
2. For a venting system for a single *appliance* with a *draft hood*, the areas of the connector and the pipe each shall be not less than the area of the *appliance flue collar* or *draft hood* outlet, whichever is smaller. The vent area shall be not greater than seven times the *draft hood* outlet area.
3. Other *approved* engineering methods.

G2427.7.10 (503.7.10) Pipe geometry. Any shaped single-wall metal pipe shall be permitted to be used, provided that its equivalent effective area is equal to the effective area of the round pipe for which it is substituted, and provided that the minimum internal dimension of the pipe is not less than 51 mm (2 inches).

G2427.7.11 (503.7.11) Termination capacity. The vent cap or a roof assembly shall have a venting capacity of not less than that of the pipe to which it is attached.

G2427.7.12 (503.7.12) Support of single-wall metal pipe. All portions of single-wall metal pipe shall be supported for the design and weight of the material employed.

G2427.7.13 (503.7.13) Marking. Single-wall metal pipe shall comply with the marking provisions of Section G2427.6.11.

G2427.8 (503.8) Venting system termination location. The location of venting system terminations shall comply with the following (see Appendix C):

1. A mechanical *draft* venting system shall terminate not less than 915 mm (3 feet) above any forced-air inlet located within 3,050 mm (10 feet).

Exceptions:

1. This provision shall not apply to the *combustion air* intake of a direct-vent *appliance*.
2. This provision shall not apply to the separation of the integral outdoor air inlet and flue gas discharge of *listed* outdoor *appliances*.
2. A mechanical *draft* venting system, excluding *direct-vent appliances*, shall terminate not less than 1,220 mm (4 feet) below, 1,220 mm (4 feet) horizontally from, or 305 mm (1 foot) above any door,

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or gravity air inlet into any building. The bottom of the vent terminal shall be located not less than 305 mm (12 inches) above finished ground level.

3. The clearances for through-the-wall, direct-vent terminals shall be in accordance with Table G2427.8.
4. Through-the-wall vents for Category II and IV appliances and noncategorized condensing appliances shall not terminate over public walkways or over an area where condensate or vapour could create a nuisance or hazard or could be detrimental to the operation of regulators, relief valves or other equipment. Where local experience indicates that condensate is a problem with Category I and III appliances, this provision shall also apply. Drains for condensate shall be installed in accordance with the appliance and vent manufacturer’s instructions.
5. Vent systems for Category IV appliances that terminate through an outside wall of a building and discharge flue gases perpendicular to the adjacent wall shall be located not less than 3,050 mm (10 feet) horizontally from an operable opening in an adjacent building. This requirement shall not apply to vent terminals that are 610 mm (2 feet) or more above or 7,620 mm (25 feet) or more below operable openings.

G2427.10.1 (503.10.1) Where required. A vent connector shall be used to connect an appliance to a gas vent, chimney or single-wall metal pipe, except where the gas vent, chimney or single-wall metal pipe is directly connected to the appliance.

**TABLE G2427.8 (503.8)
THROUGH-THE-WALL,
DIRECT-VENT TERMINATION CLEARANCES**

DIRECT-VENT APPLIANCE INPUT RATING (Watts)	THROUGH-THE-WALL VENT TERMINAL CLEARANCE FROM ANY AIR OPENING INTO THE BUILDING (Millimeters)
< 2,931	150
≥ 2,931 ≤ 14,655	230
1.14,655 ≤ 43,965	305
1.43,965 ≤ 5	In accordance with the appliance manufacturer’s instructions and not less than the clearances specified in Section G2427.8, Item 2

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 W = 3.412 Btu/hr.

G2427.9 (503.9) Condensation drainage. Provisions shall be made to collect and dispose of condensate from venting systems serving Category II and IV appliances and noncategorized condensing appliances in accordance with Section G2427.8, Item 4. Where local experience indicates that condensation is a problem, provisions shall be made to drain off and dispose of condensate from venting systems serving Category I and III appliances in accordance with Section G2427.8, Item 4.

G2427.10 (503.10) Vent connectors for Category I appliances. Vent connectors for Category I appliances shall comply with Sections G2427.10.1 through G2427.10.13.

G2427.10.2 (503.10.2) Materials. *Vent connectors* shall be constructed in accordance with Sections G2427.10.2.1 through G2427.10.2.4.

G2427.10.2.1 (503.10.2.1) General. A *vent connector* shall be made of noncombustible corrosion-resistant material capable of withstanding the vent gas temperature produced by the *appliance* and of sufficient thickness to withstand physical damage.

G2427.10.2.2 (503.10.2.2) Vent connectors located in unconditioned areas. Where the *vent connector* used for an *appliance* having a *draft hood* or a Category I *appliance* is located in or passes through attics, crawl spaces or other unconditioned spaces, that portion of the *vent connector* shall be *listed* Type B, Type L or listed vent material having equivalent insulation properties.

Exception: Single-wall metal pipe located within the exterior walls of the building in areas having a local 99-percent winter design temperature of -15 °C (5°F) or higher shall be permitted to be used in unconditioned spaces other than attics and crawl spaces.

G2427.10.2.3 (503.10.2.3) Residential-type appliance connectors. Where *vent connectors* for residential-type *appliances* are not installed in attics or other unconditioned spaces, connectors for *listed appliances* having *draft hoods*, *appliances* having *draft hoods* and equipped with *listed conversion burners* and Category I *appliances* shall be one of the following:

1. Type B or L vent material.
2. Galvanized sheet steel not less than 0.46 mm (0.018 inch) thick.
3. Aluminum (1100 or 3003 alloy or equivalent) sheet not less than 0.69 mm (0.027 inch) thick.
4. Stainless steel sheet not less than 0.31 mm (0.012 inch) thick.
5. Smooth interior wall metal pipe having resistance to heat and corrosion equal to or greater than that of Item 2, 3 or 4.
6. A *listed vent connector*.

Vent connectors shall not be covered with insulation.

Exception: *Listed* insulated *vent connectors* shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

G2427.10.2.4 (503.10.2.4) Low-heat appliance. A *vent connector* for a nonresidential, low-heat *appliance* shall be a factory-built *chimney* section or steel *pipe* having resistance to heat and corrosion equivalent to that for the appropriate galvanized pipe as specified in Table G2427.10.2.4. Factory-built *chimney* sections shall be joined together in accordance with the *chimney* manufacturer's instructions.

**TABLE G2427.10.2.4 (503.10.2.4)
MINIMUM THICKNESS FOR GALVANIZED STEEL
VENT CONNECTORS FOR LOW-HEAT APPLIANCES**

DIAMETER OF CONNECTOR (Millimeters)	MINIMUM THICKNESS (Millimeter)
Less than 150	0.483
150 to less than 255	0.585
255 to 305 inclusive	0.737
355 to 405 inclusive	0.864
Over 405	0.424

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch.

G2427.10.3 (503.10.3) Size of vent connector. *Vent connectors* shall be sized in accordance with Sections G2427.10.3.1 through G2427.3.5.

G2427.10.3.1 (503.10.3.1) Single draft hood and fan-assisted. A *vent connector* for an *appliance* with a single *draft hood* or for a Category I fan-assisted *combustion* system *appliance* shall be sized and installed in accordance with Section G2428 or other *approved* engineering methods.

G2427.10.3.2 (503.10.3.2) Multiple draft hood. For a single *appliance* having more than one *draft hood* outlet or *flue collar*, the manifold shall be constructed according to the instructions of the *appliance* manufacturer. Where there are no instructions, the manifold shall be designed and constructed in accordance with *approved* engineering practices. As an alternate method, the effective area of the manifold shall equal the combined area of the *flue collars* or *draft hood* outlets and the *vent connectors* shall have a minimum 305 mm (1-foot) rise.

G2427.10.3.3 (503.10.3.3) Multiple appliances. Where two or more *appliances* are connected to a common *vent* or *chimney*, each *vent connector* shall be sized in accordance with Section G2428 or other *approved* engineering methods.

As an alternative method applicable only where all of the *appliances* are *draft hood* equipped, each *vent connector* shall have an effective area not less than the area of the *draft hood* outlet of the *appliance* to which it is connected.

G2427.10.3.4 (503.10.3.4) Common connector/manifold. Where two or more *appliances* are vented through a common *vent connector* or vent manifold, the common *vent connector* or vent manifold shall be located at the highest level consistent with available headroom and the required *clearance* to *combustible materials* and shall be sized in accordance with Section G2428 or other *approved* engineering methods.

As an alternate method applicable only where there are two *draft hood*-equipped *appliances*, the effective area of the common *vent connector* or vent manifold and all junction fittings shall be not less than the area of

the larger *vent connector* plus 50 percent of the area of the smaller *flue collar* outlet.

G2427.10.3.5 (503.10.3.5) Size increase. Where the size of a *vent connector* is increased to overcome installation limitations and obtain connector capacity equal to the *appliance* input, the size increase shall be made at the *appliance draft hood* outlet.

G2427.10.4 (503.10.4) Two or more appliances connected to a single vent or chimney. Where two or more *vent connectors* enter a common vent, *chimney* flue, or single-wall metal pipe, the smaller connector shall enter at the highest level consistent with the available headroom or *clearance to combustible material*. *Vent connectors* serving Category I *appliances* shall not be connected to any portion of a *mechanical draft* system operating under positive static pressure, such as those serving Category III or IV *appliances*.

G2427.10.4.1 (503.10.4.1) Two or more openings. Where two or more openings are provided into one *chimney* flue or vent, the openings shall be at different levels, or the connectors shall be attached to the vertical portion of the *chimney* or vent at an angle of 45 degrees (0.79 rad) or less relative to the vertical.

G2427.10.5 (503.10.5) Clearance. Minimum *clearances* from *vent connectors* to *combustible material* shall be in accordance with Table G2427.10.5.

Exception: The *clearance* between a *vent connector* and *combustible material* shall be permitted to be reduced where the *combustible material* is protected as specified for *vent connectors* in Table G2409.2.

G2427.10.6 (503.10.6) Joints. Joints between sections of connector *pipng* and connections to *flue collars* and *draft hood* outlets shall be fastened by one of the following methods:

1. Sheet metal screws.
2. *Vent connectors* of *listed* vent material assembled and connected to *flue collars* or *draft hood* outlets in accordance with the manufacturer’s instructions.
3. Other *approved* means.

G2427.10.7 (503.10.7) Slope. A *vent connector* shall be installed without dips or sags and shall slope upward toward the vent or *chimney* not less than 21 mm/m (¹/₄ inch per foot).

Exception: *Vent connectors* attached to a mechanical *draft* system installed in accordance with the *appliance* and *draft* system manufacturers’ instructions.

G2427.10.8 (503.10.8) Length of vent connector. The maximum horizontal length of a single-wall connector shall be 75 percent of the height of the *chimney* or vent except for engineered systems. The maximum horizontal length of a Type B double-wall connector shall be 100 percent of the height of the *chimney* or vent except for engineered systems.

G2427.10.9 (503.10.9) Support. A *vent connector* shall be supported for the design and weight of the material employed to maintain *clearances* and prevent physical damage and separation of joints.

G2427.10.10 (503.10.10) Chimney connection. Where entering a flue in a masonry or metal *chimney*, the *vent connector* shall be installed above the extreme bottom to avoid stoppage. Where a thimble or slip joint is used to facilitate removal of the connector, the connector shall be firmly attached to or inserted into the thimble or slip joint to prevent the connector from falling out. Means shall be employed to prevent the connector from entering so far as to restrict the space between its end and the opposite wall of the *chimney* flue (see Section G2425.9).

G2427.10.11 (503.10.11) Inspection. The entire length of a *vent connector* shall be provided with *ready access* for inspection, cleaning and replacement.

G2427.10.12 (503.10.12) Fireplaces. A *vent connector* shall not be connected to a *chimney* flue serving a *fireplace* unless the *fireplace* flue opening is permanently sealed.

G2427.10.13 (503.10.13) Passage through ceilings, floors or walls. Single-wall metal pipe connectors shall not pass through any wall, floor or ceiling except as permitted by Section G2427.7.4.

**TABLE G2427.10.5 (503.10.5)
CLEARANCES FOR CONNECTORS^a**

APPLIANCE	MINIMUM DISTANCE FROM COMBUSTIBLE MATERIAL			
	Listed Type B gas vent material	Listed Type L vent material	Single-wall metal pipe	Factory-built chimney sections
Listed appliances with draft hoods and appliances listed for use with Type B gas vents	As listed	As listed	150 mm	As listed
Residential boilers and furnaces with listed gas conversion burner and with draft hood	150 mm	150 mm	230 mm	As listed
Residential appliances listed for use with Type L vents	Not permitted	As listed	230 mm	As listed
Listed gas-fired toilets	Not permitted	As listed	As listed	As listed
Unlisted residential appliances with draft hood	Not permitted	150 mm	230 mm	As listed
Residential and low-heat appliances other than above	Not permitted	230 mm	455 mm	As listed
Medium-heat appliances	Not permitted	Not permitted	305 mm	As listed

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch.

a. These clearances shall apply unless the manufacturer’s installation instructions for a listed appliance or connector specify different clearances, in which case the listed clearances shall apply.

G2427.11 (503.11) Vent connectors for Category II, III and IV appliances. *Vent connectors* for Category II, III and IV *appliances* shall be as specified for the *venting systems* in accordance with Section G2427.4.

G2427.12 (503.12) Draft hoods and draft controls. The installation of *draft hoods* and draft controls shall comply with Sections G2427.12.1 through G2427.12.7.

G2427.12.1 (503.12.1) Appliances requiring draft hoods. *Vented appliances* shall be installed with *draft hoods*.

Exception: Dual oven-type combination ranges; *direct-vent appliances*; fan-assisted *combustion system appliances*; *appliances* requiring *chimney draft* for operation; single firebox boilers equipped with *conversion burners* with inputs greater than 117 kW (400,000 Btu per hour); *appliances* equipped with blast, power or pressure *burners* that are not *listed* for use with *draft hoods*; and *appliances* designed for forced venting.

G2427.12.2 (503.12.2) Installation. A *draft hood* supplied with or forming a part of a *listed vented appliance* shall be installed without *alteration*, exactly as furnished and specified by the *appliance* manufacturer.

G2427.12.2.1 (503.12.2.1) Draft hood required. If a *draft hood* is not supplied by the *appliance* manufacturer where one is required, a *draft hood* shall be installed, shall be of a *listed* or *approved* type and, in the absence of other instructions, shall be of the same size as the *appliance flue collar*. Where a *draft hood* is required with a *conversion burner*, it shall be of a *listed* or *approved* type.

G2427.12.2.2 (503.12.2.2) Special design draft hood. Where it is determined that a *draft hood* of special design is needed or preferable for a particular installation, the installation shall be in accordance with the recommendations of the *appliance* manufacturer and shall be *approved*.

G2427.12.3 (503.12.3) Draft control devices. Where a *draft control* device is part of the *appliance* or is supplied by the *appliance* manufacturer, it shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions. In the absence of manufacturer's instructions, the device shall be attached to the *flue collar* of the *appliance* or as near to the *appliance* as practical.

G2427.12.4 (503.12.4) Additional devices. *Appliances* requiring a controlled *chimney draft* shall be permitted to be equipped with a *listed* double-acting barometric-*draft regulator* installed and adjusted in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

G2427.12.5 (503.12.5) Location. *Draft hoods* and *barometric draft regulators* shall be installed in the same room or enclosure as the *appliance* in such a manner as to prevent any difference in pressure between the hood or *regulator* and the *combustion air* supply.

G2427.12.6 (503.12.6) Positioning. *Draft hoods* and *draft regulators* shall be installed in the position for which they were designed with reference to the horizontal and vertical planes and shall be located so that the *relief opening* is not

obstructed by any part of the *appliance* or adjacent construction. The *appliance* and its *draft hood* shall be located so that the *relief opening* is accessible for checking *vent* operation.

G2427.12.7 (503.12.7) Clearance. A *draft hood* shall be located so its *relief opening* is not less than 150 mm (6 inches) from any surface except that of the *appliance* it serves and the venting system to which the *draft hood* is connected. Where a greater or lesser *clearance* is indicated on the *appliance* label, the *clearance* shall be not less than that specified on the label. Such *clearances* shall not be reduced.

G2427.13 (503.13) Manually operated dampers. A manually operated *damper* shall not be placed in the vent *connector* for any *appliance*. Fixed baffles shall not be classified as manually operated *dampers*.

G2427.14 (503.14) Automatically operated vent dampers. An automatically operated vent damper shall be of a *listed* type.

G2427.15 (503.15) Obstructions. Devices that retard the flow of *vent gases* shall not be installed in a *vent connector*, *chimney*, or vent. The following shall not be considered as obstructions:

1. *Draft regulators* and safety *controls* specifically *listed* for installation in *venting systems* and installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.
2. *Approved draft regulators* and safety *controls* that are designed and installed in accordance with *approved* engineering methods.
3. *Listed* heat reclaimers and automatically operated vent dampers installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.
4. *Approved* economizers, heat reclaimers and recuperators installed in *venting systems* of *appliances* not required to be equipped with *draft hoods*, provided that the *appliance* manufacturer's instructions cover the installation of such a device in the venting system and performance in accordance with Sections G2427.3 and G2427.3.1 is obtained.
5. Vent dampers serving *listed appliances* installed in accordance with Sections G2428.2.1 and G2428.3.1 or other *approved* engineering methods.

G2427.16 (503.16) (IFGS) Outside wall penetrations. Where vents, including those for *direct-vent appliances*, penetrate outside walls of buildings, the annular spaces around such penetrations shall be permanently sealed using *approved* materials to prevent entry of *combustion products* into the building.

**SECTION G2428
(504) SIZING OF
CATEGORY I
APPLIANCE VENTING SYSTEMS**

G2428.1 (504.1) Definitions. The following definitions apply to the tables in this section.

APPLIANCE CATEGORIZED VENT DIAMETER/AREA. The minimum vent area/diameter permissible for

Category I *appliances* to maintain a nonpositive vent static pressure when tested in accordance with nationally recognized standards.

FAN-ASSISTED COMBUSTION SYSTEM. An *appliance* equipped with an integral mechanical means to either draw or force products of *combustion* through the *combustion chamber* or heat exchanger.

FAN Min. The minimum input rating of a Category I fan-assisted *appliance* attached to a vent or connector.

FAN Max. The maximum input rating of a Category I fan-assisted *appliance* attached to a vent or connector.

NAT Max. The maximum input rating of a Category I draft-hood-equipped *appliance* attached to a vent or connector.

FAN + FAN. The maximum combined *appliance* input rating of two or more Category I fan-assisted *appliances* attached to the common vent.

FAN + NAT. The maximum combined *appliance* input rating of one or more Category I fan-assisted *appliances* and one or more Category I draft-hood-equipped *appliances* attached to the common vent.

NA. Vent configuration is not allowed due to potential for *condensate* formation or pressurization of the venting system, or not applicable due to physical or geometric restraints.

NAT + NAT. The maximum combined *appliance* input rating of two or more Category I draft-hood-equipped *appliances* attached to the common vent.

G2428.2 (504.2) Application of single-appliance vent Tables G2428.2(1) and G2428.2(2). The application of Tables G2428.2(1) and G2428.2(2) shall be subject to the requirements of Sections G2428.2.1 through G2428.2.17.

G2428.2.1 (504.2.1) Vent obstructions. These venting tables shall not be used where obstructions, as described in Section G2427.15, are installed in the venting system. The installation of vents serving *listed appliances* with vent dampers shall be in accordance with the *appliance* manufacturer's instructions or in accordance with the following:

1. The maximum capacity of the vent system shall be determined using the "NAT Max" column.
2. The minimum capacity shall be determined as if the *appliance* were a fan-assisted *appliance*, using the "FAN Min" column to determine the minimum capacity of the vent system. Where the corresponding "FAN Min" is "NA," the vent configuration shall not be permitted and an alternative venting configuration shall be utilized.

G2428.2.2 (504.2.2) Minimum size. Where the vent size determined from the tables is smaller than the *appliance draft hood outlet* or *flue collar*, the smaller size shall be permitted to be used provided that all of the following requirements are met:

1. The total vent height (*H*) is not less than 3,050 mm (10 feet).
2. Vents for *appliance draft hood* outlets or *flue collars* 305 mm (12 inches) in diameter or smaller are not reduced more than one table size.

3. Vents for *appliance draft hood* outlets or *flue collars* larger than 305 mm (12 inches) in diameter are not reduced more than two table sizes.

4. The maximum capacity listed in the tables for a fan-assisted *appliance* is reduced by 10 percent ($0.90 \times$ maximum table capacity).

5. The *draft hood* outlet is greater than 100 mm (4 inches) in diameter. Do not connect a 76 mm (3-inch)-diameter vent to a 100 mm (4-inch)-diameter *draft hood* outlet. This provision shall not apply to fan-assisted *appliances*.

G2428.2.3 (504.2.3) Vent offsets. Single-*appliance* venting configurations with zero (0) lateral lengths in Tables G2428.2(1) and G2428.2(2) shall not have elbows in the *venting system*. Single-*appliance* venting configurations with lateral lengths include two 90-degree (1.57 rad) elbows. For each additional elbow up to and including 45 degrees (0.79 rad), the maximum capacity listed in the venting tables shall be reduced by 5 percent. For each additional elbow greater than 45 degrees (0.79 rad) up to and including 90 degrees (1.57 rad), the maximum capacity listed in the venting tables shall be reduced by 10 percent. Where multiple *offsets* occur in a vent, the total lateral length of all *offsets* combined shall not exceed that specified in Tables G2428.2(1) and G2428.2(2).

G2428.2.4 (504.2.4) Zero lateral. Zero (0) lateral (*L*) shall apply only to a straight vertical vent attached to a top outlet *draft hood* or *flue collar*.

G2428.2.5 (504.2.5) High-altitude installations. Sea-level input ratings shall be used when determining maximum capacity for high-altitude installation. Actual input, derated for altitude, shall be used for determining minimum capacity for high-altitude installation.

G2428.2.6 (504.2.6) Multiple input rate appliances. For *appliances* with more than one input rate, the minimum vent capacity (FAN Min) determined from the tables shall be less than the lowest *appliance* input rating, and the maximum vent capacity (FAN Max/NAT Max) determined from the tables shall be greater than the highest *appliance* rating input.

G2428.2.7 (504.2.7) Liner system sizing and connections. *Listed* corrugated metallic *chimney* liner systems in masonry *chimneys* shall be sized by using Table G2428.2(1) or G2428.2(2) for Type B vents with the maximum capacity reduced by 20 percent ($0.80 \times$ maximum capacity) and the minimum capacity as shown in Table G2428.2(1) or G2428.2(2). Corrugated metallic liner systems installed with bends or offsets shall have their maximum capacity further reduced in accordance with Section G2428.2.3. The 20-percent reduction for corrugated metallic *chimney* liner systems includes an allowance for one long-radius 90-degree (1.57 rad) turn at the bottom of the liner.

Connections between *chimney* liners and *listed* double-wall connectors shall be made with *listed* adapters designed for such purpose.

G2428.2.8 (504.2.8) Vent area and diameter. Where the vertical vent has a larger diameter than the *vent connector*,

the vertical vent diameter shall be used to determine the minimum vent capacity, and the connector diameter shall be used to determine the maximum vent capacity. The flow area of the vertical vent shall not exceed seven times the flow area of the listed *appliance* categorized vent area, *flue collar* area, or *draft hood* outlet area unless designed in accordance with *approved* engineering methods.

G2428.2.9 (504.2.9) Chimney and vent locations. Tables G2428.2(1) and G2428.2(2) shall be used only for chimneys and vents not exposed to the outdoors below the roof line. A Type B vent or listed chimney lining system passing through an unused masonry chimney flue shall not be considered to be exposed to the outdoors. Where vents extend outdoors above the roof more than 1.525 mm (5 feet) higher than required by Figure G2427.6.4, and where vents terminate in accordance with Section G2427.6.4, Item 2, the outdoor portion of the vent shall be enclosed as required by this section for vents not considered to be exposed to the outdoors or such venting system shall be engineered. A Type B vent shall not be considered to be exposed to the outdoors where it passes through an unventilated enclosure or chase insulated to a value of not less than R-8.

G2428.2.10 (504.2.10) Corrugated vent connector size. Corrugated *vent connectors* shall be not smaller than the listed *appliance* categorized *vent* diameter, *flue collar* diameter, or *draft hood* outlet diameter.

G2428.2.11 (504.2.11) Vent connector size limitation. *Vent connectors* shall not be increased in size more than two sizes greater than the listed *appliance* categorized vent diameter, *flue collar* diameter or *draft hood* outlet diameter.

G2428.2.12 (504.2.12) Component commingling. In a single run of vent or *vent connector*, different diameters and types of vent and connector components shall be permitted to be used, provided that all such sizes and types are permitted by the tables.

G2428.2.13 (504.2.13) Draft hood conversion accessories. *Draft hood* conversion accessories for use with *masonry chimneys* venting listed Category I fan-assisted *appliances* shall be listed and installed in accordance with the manufacturer’s instructions for such listed accessories.

G2428.2.14 (504.2.14) Table interpolation. Interpolation shall be permitted in calculating capacities for vent dimensions that fall between the table entries.

G2428.2.15 (504.2.15) Extrapolation prohibited. Extrapolation beyond the table entries shall not be permitted.

G2428.2.16 (504.2.16) Engineering calculations. For *vent* heights less than 1,830 mm (6 feet) and greater than shown in the tables, engineering methods shall be used to calculate *vent* capacities.

G2428.2.17 (504.2.17) Height entries. Where the actual height of a vent falls between entries in the height column of the applicable table in Tables G2428.2(1) and G2428.2(2), either interpolation shall be used or the lower appliance input rating shown in the table entries shall be used for FAN Max and NAT Max column values and the higher appliance input rating shall be used for the FAN Min column values.

G2428.3 (504.3) Application of multiple appliance vent Tables G2428.3(1) through G2428.3(4). The application of Tables G2428.3(1) through G2428.3(4) shall be subject to the requirements of Sections G2428.3.1 through G2428.3.24.

G2428.3.1 (504.3.1) Vent obstructions. These venting tables shall not be used where obstructions, as described in Section G2427.15, are installed in the venting system. The installation of vents serving listed *appliances* with vent dampers shall be in accordance with the *appliance* manufacturer’s instructions or in accordance with the following:

1. The maximum capacity of the *vent connector* shall be determined using the NAT Max column.
2. The maximum capacity of the vertical vent or *chimney* shall be determined using the FAN+NAT column where the second *appliance* is a fan-assisted *appliance*, or the NAT+NAT column where the second *appliance* is equipped with a *draft hood*.
3. The minimum capacity shall be determined as if the *appliance* were a fan-assisted *appliance*.

1. The minimum capacity of the *vent connector* shall be determined using the FAN Min column.
2. The FAN+FAN column shall be used where the second *appliance* is a fan-assisted *appliance*, and the FAN+NAT column shall be used where the second *appliance* is equipped with a *draft hood*, to determine whether the vertical vent or *chimney* configuration is not permitted (NA). Where the vent configuration is NA, the vent configuration shall not be permitted and an alternative venting configuration shall be utilized.

G2428.3.2 (504.3.2) Connector length limit. The *vent connector* shall be routed to the vent utilizing the shortest possible route. Except as provided in Section G2428.3.3, the maximum *vent connector* horizontal length shall be 18 mm per mm (1½ feet for each inch) of connector diameter as shown in Table G2428.3.2.

TABLE G2428.3.2 (504.3.2) MAXIMUM VENT CONNECTOR LENGTH

CONNECTOR DIAMETER (Millimeters)	CONNECTOR MAXIMUM HORIZONTAL LENGTH (Metres)
76	1.372
100	1,830
125	2,288
150	2,745
178	3,200
205	3,660
230	4,118

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 9.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot.

G2428.3.3 (504.3.3) Connectors with longer lengths. Connectors with longer horizontal lengths than those listed

in Section G2428.3.2 are permitted under the following conditions:

1. The maximum capacity (FAN Max or NAT Max) of the *vent connector* shall be reduced 10 percent for

each additional multiple of the length allowed by Section G2428.3.2. For example, the maximum length listed in Table G2428.3.2 for a 100 mm (4-inch) connector is 1,830 mm (6 feet (1829 mm)). With a connector length greater than 1,830 mm (6 feet) but not exceeding 3,650 mm (12 feet), the maximum capacity shall be reduced by 10 percent ($0.90 \times$ maximum vent *connector* capacity). With a connector length greater than 3,650 mm (12 feet), but not exceeding 5,490 mm (18 feet), the maximum capacity shall be reduced by 20 percent ($0.80 \times$ maximum vent capacity).

2. For a connector serving a fan-assisted *appliance*, the minimum capacity (FAN Min) of the connector shall be determined by referring to the corresponding *single-appliance* table. For Type B double-wall connectors, Table G2428.2(1) shall be used. For single-wall connectors, Table G2428.2(2) shall be used. The height (*H*) and lateral (*L*) shall be measured according to the procedures for a *single-appliance* vent, as if the other *appliances* were not present.

G2428.3.4 (504.3.4) Vent connector manifold. Where the *vent connectors* are combined prior to entering the vertical portion of the common vent to form a common vent manifold, the size of the common vent manifold and the common vent shall be determined by applying a 10-percent reduction ($0.90 \times$ maximum common vent capacity) to the common vent capacity part of the common vent tables. The length of the common *vent connector* manifold (L_m) shall not exceed 18 mm per

mm ($1\frac{1}{2}$ feet for each inch) of common *vent connector* manifold diameter (*D*).

G2428.3.5 (504.3.5) Common vertical vent offset. Where the common vertical vent is *offset*, the maximum capacity of the common vent shall be reduced in accordance with Section G2428.3.6. The horizontal length of the common vent *offset* (*L*) shall not exceed 18 mm per mm ($1\frac{1}{2}$ feet for each inch) of common vent diameter (*D*). Where multiple *offsets* occur in a common vent, the total horizontal length of all *offsets* combined shall not exceed 18 mm per mm ($1\frac{1}{2}$ feet for each inch) of the common vent diameter (*D*).

G2428.3.6 (504.3.6) Elbows in vents. For each elbow up to and including 45 degrees (0.79 rad) in the common vent, the maximum common vent capacity listed in the venting tables shall be reduced by 5 percent. For each elbow greater than 45 degrees (0.79 rad) up to and including 90 degrees (1.57 rad), the maximum common vent capacity listed in the venting tables shall be reduced by 10 percent.

G2428.3.7 (504.3.7) Elbows in connectors. The *vent connector* capacities listed in the common vent sizing tables include allowance for two 90-degree (1.57 rad) elbows. For each additional elbow up to and including 45 degrees (0.79 rad), the maximum *vent connector* capacity listed in

capacity listed in the venting tables shall be reduced by 10 percent.

G2428.3.8 (504.3.8) Common vent minimum size. The cross-sectional area of the common vent shall be equal to or greater than the cross-sectional area of the largest connector.

G2428.3.9 (504.3.9) Common vent fittings. At the point where tee or wye fittings connect to a common vent, the opening size of the fitting shall be equal to the size of the common vent. Such fittings shall not be prohibited from having reduced-size openings at the point of connection of *appliance vent connectors*.

G2428.3.9.1 (504.3.9.1) Tee and wye fittings. Tee and wye fittings connected to a common gas vent shall be considered to be part of the common gas vent and shall be constructed of materials consistent with that of the common gas vent.

G2428.3.10 (504.3.10) High-altitude installations. Sea-level input ratings shall be used when determining maximum capacity for high-altitude installation. Actual input, derated for altitude, shall be used for determining minimum capacity for high-altitude installation.

G2428.3.11 (504.3.11) Connector rise measurement. Connector rise (*R*) for each *appliance connector* shall be measured from the *draft hood* outlet or *flue collar* to the centerline where the vent gas streams come together.

G2428.3.12 (504.3.12) Vent height measurement. For multiple *appliances* all located on one floor, available total height (*H*) shall be measured from the highest *draft hood* outlet or *flue collar* up to the level of the outlet of the common vent.

G2428.3.13 (504.3.17) Vertical vent maximum size. Where two or more *appliances* are connected to a vertical vent or *chimney*, the flow area of the largest section of vertical vent or *chimney* shall not exceed seven times the

smallest listed *appliance* categorized vent areas, *flue collar* the venting tables shall be reduced by 5 percent. For each elbow greater than 45 degrees (0.79 rad) up to and including 90 degrees (1.57 rad), the maximum *vent connector*

lar area, or *draft hood* outlet area unless designed in accordance with *approved* engineering methods.

G2428.3.14 (504.3.18) Multiple input rate appliances. For *appliances* with more than one input rate, the minimum *vent connector* capacity (FAN Min) determined from the tables shall be less than the lowest *appliance* input rating, and the maximum *vent connector* capacity (FAN Max or NAT Max) determined from the tables shall be greater than the highest *appliance* input rating.

G2428.3.15 (504.3.19) Liner system sizing and connections. Listed, corrugated metallic *chimney* liner systems in masonry *chimneys* shall be sized by using Table G2428.3(1) or G2428.3(2) for Type B vents, with the maximum capacity reduced by 20 percent ($0.80 \times$ maximum capacity) and the minimum capacity as shown in Table G2428.3(1) or G2428.3(2). Corrugated metallic liner systems installed with bends or offsets shall have their maximum capacity further reduced in accordance with Sections G2428.3.5 and G2428.3.6. The 20-percent reduction for corrugated metallic *chimney* liner systems includes an allowance for one long-radius 90-degree (1.57

rad) turn at the bottom of the liner. Where double-wall connectors are required, tee and wye fittings used to connect to the common vent *chimney* liner shall be listed double-wall fittings. Connections between *chimney* liners and listed double-wall fittings shall be made with listed adapter fittings designed for such purpose.

G2428.3.16 (504.3.20) Chimney and vent location. Tables G2428.3(1), G2428.3(2), G2428.3(3) and G2428.3(4) shall be used only for chimneys and vents not exposed to the outdoors below the roof line. A Type B vent or *listed chimney lining system* passing through an unused masonry chimney flue shall not be considered to be exposed to the outdoors. Where vents extend outdoors above the roof more than 1,525 mm (5 feet) higher than required by Figure G2427.6.4 and where vents terminate in accordance with Section G2427.6.4, Item 2, the outdoor portion of the vent shall be enclosed as required by this section for vents not considered to be exposed to the outdoors or such venting system shall be engineered. A Type B vent shall not be considered to be exposed to the outdoors where it passes through an unventilated enclosure or chase insulated to a value of not less than R8.

G2428.3.17 (504.3.21) Connector maximum and minimum size. *Vent connectors* shall not be increased in size more than two sizes greater than the listed *appliance* categorized vent diameter, *flue collar* diameter or *draft hood* outlet diameter. *Vent connectors* for draft-hood-equipped *appliances* shall not be smaller than the *draft hood* outlet diameter. Where a *vent connector* size(s) determined from the tables for a fan-assisted *appliance(s)* is smaller than the *flue collar* diameter, the use of the smaller size(s) shall be permitted provided that the installation complies with all of the following conditions:

1. *Vent connectors* for fan-assisted *appliance flue collars* 305 mm (12 inches) in diameter or smaller are not reduced by more than one table size [for example, 305 mm to 255 mm (12 inches to 10 inches) is a one-size reduction] and those larger than 305 mm (12 inches) in diameter are not reduced more than two table sizes [for example, 610 mm to 510 mm (24 inches to 20 inches) is a two-size reduction].
2. The fan-assisted *appliance(s)* is common vented with a draft-hood-equipped *appliance(s)*.
3. The vent *connector* has a smooth interior wall.

G2428.3.18 (504.3.22) Component commingling. Combinations of pipe sizes and combinations of single-wall and double-wall metal pipe shall be allowed within any connector run(s) or within the common vent, provided that all of the appropriate tables permit all of the desired sizes and types of pipe, as if they were used for the entire length of the subject connector or vent. Where single-wall and Type B double-wall metal pipes are used for *vent connectors* within the same venting system, the common vent

shall be sized using Table G2428.3(2) or G2428.3(4), as appropriate.

G2428.3.19 (504.3.23) Draft hood conversion accessories. *Draft hood* conversion accessories for use with *masonry chimneys* venting listed Category I fan-assisted *appliances* shall be listed and installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions for such listed accessories.

G2428.3.20 (504.3.24) Multiple sizes permitted. Where a table permits more than one diameter of pipe to be used for a connector or vent, all of the permitted sizes shall be permitted to be used.

G2428.3.21 (504.3.25) Table interpolation. Interpolation shall be permitted in calculating capacities for vent dimensions that fall between table entries.

G2428.3.22 (504.3.26) Extrapolation prohibited. Extrapolation beyond the table entries shall not be permitted.

G2428.3.23 (504.3.27) Engineering calculations. For vent heights less than 1,830 mm (6 feet) and greater than shown in the tables, engineering methods shall be used to calculate vent capacities.

G2428.3.24 (504.3.28) Height entries. Where the actual height of a vent falls between entries in the height column of the applicable table in Tables G2428.3(1) through G2428.3(4), either interpolation shall be used or the lower appliance input rating shown in the table shall be used for FAN Max and NAT Max column values and the higher appliance input rating shall be used for the FAN Min column values.

SECTION G2429 (505) DIRECT-VENT, INTEGRAL VENT, MECHANICAL VENT AND VENTILATION/EXHAUST HOOD VENTING

G2429.1 (505.1) General. The installation of direct-vent and integral vent *appliances* shall be in accordance with Section G2427. Mechanical *venting systems* shall be designed and installed in accordance with Section G2427.

SECTION G2430 (506) FACTORY-BUILT CHIMNEYS

G2430.1 (506.1) Listing. Factory-built *chimneys* for building heating *appliances* producing *flue gases* having a temperature not greater than 538 °C (1,000°F), measured at the entrance to the *chimney*, shall be *listed* and *labelled* in accordance with UL 103 and shall be installed and terminated in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

G2430.2 (506.2) Support. Where factory-built *chimneys* are supported by structural members, such as joists and rafters, such members shall be designed to support the additional load.

**TABLE G2428.2(1) [504.2(1)]
TYPE B DOUBLE-WALL GAS VENT**

Number of Appliances	Single
Appliance Type	Category I
Appliance Vent Connection	Connected directly to vent

HEIGHT (H) (feet)	LATERAL (L) (feet)	VENT DIAMETER—(D) inches																					
		3		4		5		6		7		8		9									
		APPLIANCE INPUT RATING IN THOUSANDS OF BTU/H																					
		FAN		NAT	FAN		NAT	FAN		NAT	FAN		NAT	FAN		NAT	FAN		NAT				
Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max			
6	0	0	78	46	0	152	86	0	251	141	0	375	205	0	524	285	0	698	370	0	897	470	
	2	13	51	36	18	97	67	27	157	105	32	232	157	44	321	217	53	425	285	63	543	370	
	4	21	49	34	30	94	64	39	153	103	50	227	153	66	316	211	79	419	279	93	536	362	
	6	25	46	32	36	91	61	47	149	100	59	223	149	78	310	205	93	413	273	110	530	354	
8	0	0	84	50	0	165	94	0	276	155	0	415	235	0	583	320	0	780	415	0	1,006	537	
	2	12	57	40	16	109	75	25	178	120	28	263	180	42	365	247	50	483	322	60	619	418	
	5	23	53	38	32	103	71	42	171	115	53	255	173	70	356	237	83	473	313	99	607	407	
	8	28	49	35	39	98	66	51	164	109	64	247	165	84	347	227	99	463	303	117	596	396	
10	0	0	88	53	0	175	100	0	295	166	0	447	255	0	631	345	0	847	450	0	1,096	585	
	2	12	61	42	17	118	81	23	194	129	26	289	195	40	402	273	48	533	355	57	684	457	
	5	23	57	40	32	113	77	41	187	124	52	280	188	68	392	263	81	522	346	95	671	446	
	10	30	51	36	41	104	70	54	176	115	67	267	175	88	376	245	104	504	330	122	651	427	
15	0	0	94	58	0	191	112	0	327	187	0	502	285	0	716	390	0	970	525	0	1,263	682	
	2	11	69	48	15	136	93	20	226	150	22	339	225	38	475	316	45	633	414	53	815	544	
	5	22	65	45	30	130	87	39	219	142	49	330	217	64	463	300	76	620	403	90	800	529	
	10	29	59	41	40	121	82	51	206	135	64	315	208	84	445	288	99	600	386	116	777	507	
	15	35	53	37	48	112	76	61	195	128	76	301	198	98	429	275	115	580	373	134	755	491	
20	0	0	97	61	0	202	119	0	349	202	0	540	307	0	776	430	0	1,057	575	0	1,384	752	
	2	10	75	51	14	149	100	18	250	166	20	377	249	33	531	346	41	711	470	50	917	612	
	5	21	71	48	29	143	96	38	242	160	47	367	241	62	519	337	73	697	460	86	902	599	
	10	28	64	44	38	133	89	50	229	150	62	351	228	81	499	321	95	675	443	112	877	576	
	15	34	58	40	46	124	84	59	217	142	73	337	217	94	481	308	111	654	427	129	853	557	
	20	48	52	35	55	116	78	69	206	134	84	322	206	107	464	295	125	634	410	145	830	537	

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30	0	0	100	64	0	213	128	0	374	220	0	587	336	0	853	475	0	1,173	650	0	1,548	855
	2	9	81	56	13	166	112	14	283	185	18	432	280	27	613	394	33	826	535	42	1,072	700
	5	21	77	54	28	160	108	36	275	176	45	421	273	58	600	385	69	811	524	82	1,055	688
	10	27	70	50	37	150	102	48	262	171	59	405	261	77	580	371	91	788	507	107	1,028	668
	15	33	64	NA	44	141	96	57	249	163	70	389	249	90	560	357	105	765	490	124	1,002	648
	20	56	58	NA	53	132	90	66	237	154	80	374	237	102	542	343	119	743	473	139	977	628
	30	NA	NA	NA	73	113	NA	88	214	NA	104	346	219	131	507	321	149	702	444	171	929	594
50	0	0	101	67	0	216	134	0	397	232	0	633	363	0	932	518	0	1,297	708	0	1,730	952
	2	8	86	61	11	183	122	14	320	206	15	497	314	22	715	445	26	975	615	33	1,276	813
	5	20	82	NA	27	177	119	35	312	200	43	487	308	55	702	438	65	960	605	77	1,259	798
	10	26	76	NA	35	168	114	45	299	190	56	471	298	73	681	426	86	935	589	101	1,230	773
	15	59	70	NA	42	158	NA	54	287	180	66	455	288	85	662	413	100	911	572	117	1,203	747
	20	NA	NA	NA	50	149	NA	63	275	169	76	440	278	97	642	401	113	888	556	131	1,176	722
	30	NA	NA	NA	69	131	NA	84	250	NA	99	410	259	123	605	376	141	844	522	161	1,125	670

HEIGHT (H) (mm)	LATERAL (L) (mm)	VENT DIAMETER—(D) mm																											
		76.2				101.6				127				152.4				177.8				203.2				228.6			
		APPLIANCE INPUT RATING IN WATTS																											
		FAN		NAT		FAN		NAT		FAN		NAT		FAN		NAT		FAN		NAT		FAN		NAT					
		Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max				
9,150	0	0	29.31	18.76	0	62.43	37.52	0	109.62	64.48	0	172.05	98.48	0	250.01	139.22	0	343.81	190.52	0	453.72	250.60							
	610	2.64	23.74	16.41	3.81	48.66	32.83	4.103	82.95	54.22	5.28	126.62	82.07	7.91	179.67	115.48	9.67	242.10	156.81	12.31	314.20	205.17							
	1,525	6.16	22.57	15.83	8.21	46.90	31.66	10.55	80.60	51.59	13.19	123.40	80.02	17.00	175.86	112.84	20.22	237.70	153.58	24.03	309.22	201.65							
	3,050	7.91	20.52	14.66	10.85	43.97	29.90	14.07	76.79	50.12	17.29	118.71	76.50	22.57	170.00	108.74	26.67	230.96	148.60	31.36	301.31	195.79							
	4,575	9.67	18.76	NA	12.90	41.33	28.14	16.71	72.98	47.78	20.52	114.02	72.98	26.38	164.14	104.64	30.78	224.22	143.62	36.34	293.69	189.93							
	6,100	16.41	17.00	NA	15.53	38.69	26.38	19.35	69.47	45.14	23.45	109.62	69.47	29.90	158.86	100.53	34.88	217.77	138.64	40.74	286.36	184.07							
	9,150	NA	NA	NA	21.40	33.12	NA	25.79	62.72	NA	30.48	101.41	64.19	38.40	148.60	94.09	43.67	205.76	130.14	50.12	272.29	174.10							
15,250	0	0	29.60	19.64	0	63.31	39.28	0	116.36	68.00	0	185.53	106.40	0	273.17	151.83	0	380.15	207.52	0	507.06	279.03							
	610	2.35	25.21	17.88	3.22	53.64	35.76	4.103	93.79	60.38	4.40	145.67	92.03	6.45	209.57	130.43	7.62	285.77	180.26	9.67	374.00	238.29							
	1,525	5.86	24.04	NA	7.91	51.88	34.88	10.26	91.45	58.62	12.60	142.74	90.28	16.12	205.76	128.38	19.05	281.38	177.33	22.57	369.01	233.89							
	3,050	7.62	22.28	NA	10.26	49.24	33.41	13.19	87.64	55.69	16.41	138.05	87.34	21.40	199.60	124.86	25.21	274.049	172.64	29.60	360.51	226.57							
	4,575	17.29	20.52	NA	12.31	46.31	NA	15.83	84.12	52.76	19.35	133.36	84.41	24.91	194.03	121.05	29.31	267.01	167.65	34.29	352.60	218.95							
	6,100	NA	NA	NA	14.66	43.67	NA	18.47	80.60	49.53	22.28	128.96	81.48	28.43	188.17	117.53	33.12	260.27	162.96	38.40	344.69	211.62							
	9,150	NA	NA	NA	20.22	38.40	NA	24.62	73.28	NA	29.02	120.17	75.91	36.05	177.33	110.21	41.33	247.38	153.00	47.19	329.74	196.38							

For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm, 1 foot = 304.8 mm, 1 British thermal unit per hour = 0.2931 W.

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**TABLE G2428.2(2) [504.2(2)]
TYPE B DOUBLE-WALL GAS VENT**

Number of Appliances	Single
Appliance Type	Category I
Appliance Vent Connection	Single-wall metal connector

HEIGHT (H) (feet)	LATERAL (L) (feet)	VENT DIAMETER—(D) inches																											
		3		4		5		6		7		8		9		10		12											
		APPLIANCE INPUT RATING IN THOUSANDS OF BTU/H																											
		FAN		NAT		FAN		NAT		FAN		NAT		FAN		NAT		FAN		NAT		FAN		NAT		FAN		NAT	
Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max
6	0	38	77	45	59	151	85	85	249	140	126	373	204	165	522	284	211	695	369	267	894	469	371	1,118	569	537	1,639	849	
	2	39	51	36	60	96	66	85	156	104	123	231	156	159	320	213	201	423	284	251	541	368	347	673	453	498	979	648	
	4	NA	NA	33	74	92	63	102	152	102	146	225	152	187	313	208	237	416	277	295	533	360	409	664	443	584	971	638	
	6	NA	NA	31	83	89	60	114	147	99	163	220	148	207	307	203	263	409	271	327	526	352	449	656	433	638	962	627	
8	0	37	83	50	58	164	93	83	273	154	123	412	234	161	580	319	206	777	414	258	1,002	536	360	1,257	658	521	1,852	967	
	2	39	56	39	59	108	75	83	176	119	121	261	179	155	363	246	197	482	321	246	617	417	339	768	513	486	1,120	743	
	5	NA	NA	37	77	102	69	107	168	114	151	252	171	193	352	235	245	470	311	305	604	404	418	754	500	598	1,104	730	
	8	NA	NA	33	90	95	64	122	161	107	175	243	163	223	342	225	280	458	300	344	591	392	470	740	486	665	1,089	715	
10	0	37	87	53	57	174	99	82	293	165	120	444	254	158	628	344	202	844	449	253	1,093	584	351	1,373	718	507	2,031	1,057	
	2	39	61	41	59	117	80	82	193	128	119	287	194	153	400	272	193	531	354	242	681	456	332	849	559	475	1,242	848	
	5	52	56	39	76	111	76	105	185	122	148	277	186	190	388	261	241	518	344	299	667	443	409	834	544	584	1,224	825	
	10	NA	NA	34	97	100	68	132	171	112	188	261	171	237	369	241	296	497	325	363	643	423	492	808	520	688	1,194	788	
15	0	36	93	57	56	190	111	80	325	186	116	499	283	153	713	388	195	966	523	244	1,259	681	336	1,591	838	488	2,374	1,237	
	2	38	69	47	57	136	93	80	225	149	115	337	224	148	473	314	187	631	413	232	812	543	319	1,015	673	457	1,491	983	
	5	51	63	44	75	128	86	102	216	140	144	326	217	182	459	298	231	616	400	287	795	526	392	997	657	562	1,469	963	
	10	NA	NA	39	95	116	79	128	201	131	182	308	203	228	438	284	284	592	381	349	768	501	470	966	628	664	1,433	928	
	15	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	72	158	186	124	220	290	192	272	418	269	334	568	367	404	742	484	540	937	601	750	1,399	894	
20	0	35	96	60	54	200	118	78	346	201	114	537	306	149	772	428	190	1,053	573	238	1,379	750	326	1,751	927	473	2,631	1,346	
	2	37	74	50	56	148	99	78	248	165	113	375	248	144	528	344	182	708	468	227	914	611	309	1,146	754	443	1,689	1,098	
	5	50	68	47	73	140	94	100	239	158	141	363	239	178	514	334	224	692	457	279	896	596	381	1,126	734	547	1,665	1,074	
	10	NA	NA	41	93	129	86	125	223	146	177	344	224	222	491	316	277	666	437	339	866	570	457	1,092	702	646	1,626	1,037	
	15	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	80	155	208	136	216	325	210	264	469	301	325	640	419	393	838	549	526	1,060	677	730	1,587	1,005	
	20	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	186	192	126	254	306	196	309	448	285	374	616	400	448	810	526	592	1,028	651	808	1,550	973	

HEIGHT (H) (mm)	LATERAL (L) (mm)	VENT DIAMETER—(D) mm																											
		76.2		101.6		127		152.4		177.8		203.2		228.6		254		304.8											
		APPLIANCE INPUT RATING IN THOUSANDS OF WATTS																											
		FAN		NAT	FAN		NAT	FAN		NAT	FAN		NAT	FAN		NAT	FAN		NAT	FAN		NAT	FAN		NAT	FAN		NAT	
Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max
150	0	11.14	22.57	13.19	17.29	44.26	24.91	24.91	72.98	41.03	36.93	109.33	59.79	48.36	153.00	83.24	61.84	203.71	108.15	78.26	262.03	137.46	108.74	327.69	166.77	157.40	480.39	248.84	
	51	11.43	14.95	10.55	17.59	28.14	19.35	24.91	45.72	30.48	36.05	67.71	45.72	46.60	93.79	62.43	58.91	123.98	83.24	73.57	158.57	107.86	101.71	197.26	132.77	145.96	286.95	189.93	
	1,220	NA	NA	9.67	21.69	26.97	18.47	29.90	44.55	29.90	42.79	65.95	44.55	54.81	91.74	60.97	69.47	121.93	81.19	86.47	156.22	105.52	119.88	194.62	129.84	171.17	284.60	187.00	
	150	NA	NA	9.09	24.33	26.09	17.59	33.41	43.09	29.02	47.78	64.48	43.38	60.67	89.98	59.50	77.09	119.88	79.43	95.84	154.17	103.17	131.60	192.27	126.91	187.00	281.96	183.77	
2,450	0	10.85	24.33	14.66	17.00	48.07	27.26	24.33	80.02	45.14	36.05	120.76	68.59	47.19	170.00	93.50	60.38	227.74	121.34	75.62	293.69	157.10	105.52	368.43	192.86	152.71	542.82	283.43	
	51	11.43	16.41	11.43	17.29	31.66	21.98	24.33	51.59	34.88	35.47	76.50	52.47	45.43	106.40	72.10	57.74	141.27	94.09	72.10	180.84	122.22	99.36	225.10	150.36	142.45	328.27	217.77	
	1,525	NA	NA	10.85	22.57	29.90	20.22	31.36	49.24	33.41	44.26	73.86	50.12	56.57	103.17	68.88	71.81	137.76	91.15	89.40	177.03	118.41	122.52	221.00	146.55	175.27	323.58	213.96	
	2,450	NA	NA	9.67	26.38	27.85	18.76	35.76	47.19	31.36	51.29	71.22	47.78	65.36	100.24	65.95	82.07	134.24	87.93	100.83	173.22	114.90	137.76	216.89	142.45	194.91	319.19	209.57	
3,050	0	10.85	25.50	15.54	16.71	51.00	29.02	24.03	85.88	48.36	35.17	130.14	74.45	46.31	184.07	100.83	59.21	247.38	131.60	74.15	320.36	171.17	102.88	402.43	210.45	148.60	595.29	309.81	
	51	11.43	17.88	12.02	17.29	34.29	23.45	24.03	56.57	37.52	34.88	84.12	56.86	44.84	117.24	79.72	56.57	155.64	103.76	70.93	199.60	133.65	97.31	248.84	163.84	139.22	364.03	248.55	
	1,525	15.24	16.41	11.43	22.28	32.53	22.28	30.78	54.22	35.76	43.38	81.19	54.52	55.69	113.72	76.50	70.64	151.83	100.83	87.64	195.50	129.84	119.88	244.45	159.45	171.17	358.75	241.81	
	3,050	NA	NA	9.97	28.43	29.31	19.93	38.69	50.12	32.83	55.10	76.50	50.12	69.47	108.15	70.64	86.76	145.67	95.26	106.40	188.46	123.98	144.21	236.83	152.41	201.65	349.96	230.96	
4,575	0	10.55	27.26	16.71	16.41	55.69	32.53	23.45	95.26	54.52	34.00	146.26	82.95	44.84	208.98	113.72	57.16	283.14	153.29	71.52	369.01	199.60	98.48	466.32	245.62	143.03	695.82	362.57	
	51	11.14	20.22	13.78	16.71	39.86	27.26	23.45	65.95	43.68	33.71	98.78	65.65	43.38	138.64	92.03	54.81	184.95	121.05	68.00	238.00	159.15	93.50	297.50	197.26	133.95	437.01	288.12	
	1,525	14.95	18.47	12.90	21.98	37.52	25.21	29.90	63.31	41.03	42.21	95.55	63.60	53.34	134.53	87.34	67.71	180.55	117.24	84.12	233.02	154.17	114.90	292.22	192.57	164.72	430.56	282.26	
	3,050	NA	NA	11.43	27.85	34.00	23.16	37.52	58.91	38.40	53.34	90.28	59.50	66.83	128.38	83.24	83.24	173.52	111.67	102.29	225.10	146.84	137.76	283.14	184.07	194.62	420.01	272.00	
	4,575	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	21.10	46.31	54.52	36.34	64.48	85.00	56.28	79.72	122.52	78.84	97.90	166.48	107.57	118.41	217.48	141.86	158.27	274.64	176.15	219.83	410.05	262.03	
6,100	0	10.26	28.14	17.59	15.83	58.62	34.59	22.86	101.41	58.91	33.41	157.40	89.69	43.67	226.27	125.45	55.69	308.63	167.95	69.76	404.19	219.83	95.55	513.22	271.70	138.64	771.15	394.51	
	51	10.85	21.69	14.66	16.41	43.38	29.02	22.86	72.69	48.36	33.12	109.91	72.69	42.21	154.76	100.83	53.34	207.52	137.17	66.54	267.89	179.08	90.57	335.89	221.00	129.84	495.05	321.82	
	1,525	14.66	19.93	13.78	21.40	41.03	27.55	29.31	70.05	46.31	41.33	106.40	70.05	52.17	150.65	97.90	65.65	202.83	133.95	81.78	262.62	174.69	111.67	330.03	215.14	160.33	488.01	314.79	
	3,050	NA	NA	12.02	27.26	37.81	25.21	36.64	65.36	42.79	51.88	100.83	65.65	65.07	143.91	92.62	81.19	195.21	128.09	99.36	253.83	167.07	133.95	320.07	205.76	189.34	476.58	303.95	
	4,575	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	23.45	45.43	60.97	39.86	63.31	95.26	61.55	77.38	137.46	88.22	95.26	187.58	122.81	115.19	245.62	160.92	154.17	310.69	198.43	213.96	465.15	294.57	
	20	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	54.517	56.275	36.931	74.447	89.689	57.45	90.57	131.31	83.53	109.62	180.55	117.24	131.31	237.41	154.17	173.52	301.31	190.81	236.83	454.31	285.19	

**TABLE G2428.2(2) [504.2(2)]—continued
TYPE B DOUBLE-WALL GAS VENT**

Number of Appliances	Single
Appliance Type	Category I
Appliance Vent Connection	Single-wall metal connector

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HEIGHT (H) (feet)	LATERAL (L) (feet)	VENT DIAMETER—(D) inches																											
		3		4		5		6		7		8		9		10		12											
		APPLIANCE INPUT RATING IN THOUSANDS OF BTU/H																											
		FAN		NAT	FAN		NAT	FAN		NAT	FAN		NAT	FAN		NAT	FAN		NAT	FAN		NAT	FAN		NAT	FAN		NAT	
Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max
30	0	34	99	63	53	211	127	76	372	219	110	584	334	144	849	472	184	1,168	647	229	1,542	852	312	1,971	1,056	454	2,996	1,545	
	2	37	80	56	55	164	111	76	281	183	109	429	279	139	610	392	175	823	533	219	1,069	698	296	1,346	863	424	1,999	1,308	
	5	49	74	52	72	157	106	98	271	173	136	417	271	171	595	382	215	806	521	269	1,049	684	366	1,324	846	524	1,971	1,283	
	10	NA	NA	NA	91	144	98	122	255	168	171	397	257	213	570	367	265	777	501	327	1,017	662	440	1,287	821	620	1,927	1,234	

	15	NA	NA	NA	115	131	NA	151	239	157	208	377	242	255	547	349	312	750	481	379	985	638	507	1,251	794	702	1,884	1,205
	20	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	181	223	NA	246	357	228	298	524	333	360	723	461	433	955	615	570	1,216	768	780	1,841	1,166
	30	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	389	477	305	461	670	426	541	895	574	704	1,147	720	937	1,759	1,101
50	0	33	99	66	51	213	133	73	394	230	105	629	361	138	928	515	176	1,292	704	220	1,724	948	295	2,223	1,189	428	3,432	1,818
	2	36	84	61	53	181	121	73	318	205	104	495	312	133	712	443	168	971	613	209	1,273	811	280	1,615	1,007	401	2,426	1,509
	5	48	80	NA	70	174	117	94	308	198	131	482	305	164	696	435	204	953	602	257	1,252	795	347	1,591	991	496	2,396	1,490
	10	NA	NA	NA	89	160	NA	118	292	186	162	461	292	203	671	420	253	923	583	313	1,217	765	418	1,551	963	589	2,347	1,455
	15	NA	NA	NA	112	148	NA	145	275	174	199	441	280	244	646	405	299	894	562	363	1,183	736	481	1,512	934	668	2,299	1,421
	20	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	176	257	NA	236	420	267	285	622	389	345	866	543	415	1,150	708	544	1,473	906	741	2,251	1,387
	30	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	315	376	NA	373	573	NA	442	809	502	521	1,086	649	674	1,399	848	892	2,159	1,318

HEIGHT (H) (mm)	LATERAL (L) (mm)	VENT DIAMETER—(D) mm																																			
		76.2				101.6				127				152.4				177.8				203.2				228.6				254				304.8			
		APPLIANCE INPUT RATING IN THOUSANDS OF WATTS																																			
		FAN		NAT		FAN		NAT		FAN		NAT		FAN		NAT		FAN		NAT		FAN		NAT		FAN		NAT		FAN		NAT					
Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max					
9,150	0	9.97	29.02	18.47	15.53	61.84	37.22	22.28	109.03	64.19	32.24	171.17	97.90	42.21	248.84	138.34	53.93	342.34	189.64	67.12	451.96	249.72	91.45	577.70	309.51	133.07	878.13	452.84									
	610	10.85	23.45	16.41	16.12	48.07	32.53	22.28	82.36	53.64	31.95	125.74	81.78	40.74	178.79	114.90	51.29	241.22	156.22	64.19	313.32	204.58	86.76	394.51	252.95	124.27	585.91	383.38									
	1,525	14.36	21.69	15.24	21.10	46.02	31.07	28.72	79.43	50.71	39.86	122.22	79.43	50.12	174.40	111.96	63.02	236.24	152.71	78.84	307.46	200.48	107.28	388.06	247.96	153.58	577.70	376.05									
	3,050	NA	NA	NA	26.67	42.21	28.72	35.76	74.74	49.24	50.12	116.36	75.33	62.43	167.07	107.57	77.67	227.74	146.84	95.84	298.08	194.03	128.96	377.22	240.64	181.72	564.80	361.69									
	4,575	NA	NA	NA	33.71	38.40	NA	44.26	70.05	46.02	60.97	110.50	70.93	74.74	160.33	102.29	91.45	219.83	140.98	111.09	288.70	187.00	148.60	366.67	232.72	205.76	552.20	353.19									
	6,100	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	53.05	65.36	NA	72.10	104.64	66.83	87.34	153.58	97.60	105.52	211.91	135.12	126.91	279.91	180.26	167.07	356.41	225.10	228.62	539.60	341.76									
	9,150	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	114.02	139.81	89.40	135.12	196.38	124.86	158.57	262.33	168.24	206.34	336.19	211.03	274.64	515.56	322.70								
15,250	0	9.67	29.02	19.35	14.95	62.43	38.98	21.40	115.48	67.41	30.78	184.36	105.81	40.45	272.00	150.95	51.59	378.69	206.34	64.48	505.30	277.86	86.47	651.56	348.50	125.45	1,005.92	532.86									
	610	10.55	24.62	17.88	15.53	53.05	35.47	21.40	93.21	60.09	30.48	145.09	91.45	38.98	208.69	129.84	49.24	284.60	179.67	61.26	373.12	237.70	82.07	473.36	295.15	117.53	711.06	442.29									
	1,525	14.07	23.45	NA	20.52	51.00	34.29	27.55	90.28	58.03	38.40	141.27	89.40	48.07	204.00	127.50	59.79	279.32	176.45	75.33	366.96	233.02	101.71	466.32	290.46	145.38	702.27	436.72									
	3,050	NA	NA	NA	26.09	46.90	NA	34.59	85.59	54.52	47.48	135.12	85.59	59.50	196.67	123.10	74.15	270.53	170.88	91.74	356.70	224.22	122.52	454.60	282.26	172.64	687.91	426.46									
	4,575	NA	NA	NA	32.83	43.38	NA	42.50	80.60	51.00	58.33	129.26	82.07	71.52	189.34	118.71	87.64	262.03	164.72	106.40	346.74	215.72	140.98	443.17	273.76	195.79	673.84	416.50									
	6,100	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	51.59	75.33	NA	69.17	123.10	78.26	83.53	182.31	114.02	101.12	253.83	159.15	121.64	337.07	207.52	159.45	431.74	265.55	217.19	659.77	406.53									
	9,150	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	92.33	110.21	NA	109.33	167.95	NA	129.55	237.12	147.14	152.71	318.31	190.22	197.55	410.05	248.55	261.45	632.80	386.31								

For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm, 1 foot = 304.8 mm, 1 British thermal unit per hour = 0.2931 W.

**TABLE G2428.3(1) [504.3(1)]
TYPE B DOUBLE-WALL VENT**

Number of Appliances	Two or more
Appliances Type	Category I
Appliances Vent Connection	Type B double-wall connector

VENT CONNECTOR CAPACITY

VENT HEIGHT (H) (feet)	CONNECTOR RISE (R) (feet)	TYPE B DOUBLE-WALL VENT AND CONNECTOR DIAMETER—(D) inches																							
		3		4		5		6		7		8		9		10									
		APPLIANCE INPUT RATING LIMITS IN THOUSANDS OF BTU/H																							
		FAN		NAT		FAN		NAT		FAN		NAT		FAN		NAT		FAN		NAT		FAN		NAT	
Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max		
6	1	22	37	26	35	66	46	46	106	72	58	164	104	77	225	142	92	296	185	109	376	237	128	466	289
	2	23	41	31	37	75	55	48	121	86	60	183	124	79	253	168	95	333	220	112	424	282	131	526	345
	3	24	44	35	38	81	62	49	132	96	62	199	139	82	275	189	97	363	248	114	463	317	134	575	386
8	1	22	40	27	35	72	48	49	114	76	64	176	109	84	243	148	100	320	194	118	408	248	138	507	303
	2	23	44	32	36	80	57	51	128	90	66	195	129	86	269	175	103	356	230	121	454	294	141	564	358
	3	24	47	36	37	87	64	53	139	101	67	210	145	88	290	198	105	384	258	123	492	330	143	612	402
10	1	22	43	28	34	78	50	49	123	78	65	189	113	89	257	154	106	341	200	125	436	257	146	542	314
	2	23	47	33	36	86	59	51	136	93	67	206	134	91	282	182	109	374	238	128	479	305	149	596	372
	3	24	50	37	37	92	67	52	146	104	69	220	150	94	303	205	111	402	268	131	515	342	152	642	417
15	1	21	50	30	33	89	53	47	142	83	64	220	120	88	298	163	110	389	214	134	493	273	162	609	333
	2	22	53	35	35	96	63	49	153	99	66	235	142	91	320	193	112	419	253	137	532	323	165	658	394
	3	24	55	40	36	102	71	51	163	111	68	248	160	93	339	218	115	445	286	140	565	365	167	700	444
20	1	21	54	31	33	99	56	46	157	87	62	246	125	86	334	171	107	436	224	131	552	285	158	681	347
	2	22	57	37	34	105	66	48	167	104	64	259	149	89	354	202	110	463	265	134	587	339	161	725	414
	3	23	60	42	35	110	74	50	176	116	66	271	168	91	371	228	113	486	300	137	618	383	164	764	466
30	1	20	62	33	31	113	59	45	181	93	60	288	134	83	391	182	103	512	238	125	649	305	151	802	372
	2	21	64	39	33	118	70	47	190	110	62	299	158	85	408	215	105	535	282	129	679	360	155	840	439
	3	22	66	44	34	123	79	48	198	124	64	309	178	88	423	242	108	555	317	132	706	405	158	874	494

VENT HEIGHT (H) (mm)	CONNECTOR RISE (R) (mm)	TYPE B DOUBLE-WALL VENT AND CONNECTOR DIAMETER—(D) mm																							
		76.2		101.6		127		152.4		177.8		203.2		228.6		254									
		APPLIANCE INPUT RATING LIMITS IN THOUSANDS OF WATTS																							
		FAN		NAT		FAN		NAT		FAN		NAT		FAN		NAT		FAN		NAT		FAN		NAT	
Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max		
1,830	305	6.45	10.85	7.62	10.26	19.35	13.48	13.48	31.07	21.10	17.00	48.07	30.48	22.57	65.95	41.62	26.97	86.76	54.22	31.95	110.21	69.47	37.52	136.59	84.71
	610	6.74	12.02	9.09	10.85	21.98	16.12	14.07	35.47	25.21	17.60	53.64	36.34	23.16	74.15	49.24	27.85	97.60	64.48	32.83	124.27	82.65	38.40	154.17	101.12
	915	7.03	12.90	10.26	11.14	23.74	18.17	14.36	38.69	28.14	18.17	58.33	40.74	24.03	80.60	55.40	28.43	106.40	72.69	33.41	135.71	92.91	39.28	168.53	113.14
2,450	305	6.45	11.72	7.91	10.26	21.10	14.07	14.36	33.41	22.28	18.76	51.59	31.95	24.62	71.22	43.38	29.31	93.79	56.86	34.59	119.59	72.69	40.45	148.60	88.81
	610	6.74	12.90	9.38	10.55	23.45	16.71	14.95	37.52	26.38	19.35	57.16	37.81	25.21	78.84	51.29	30.19	104.34	67.41	35.47	133.07	86.17	41.33	165.31	104.93
	915	7.03	13.78	10.55	10.85	25.50	18.76	15.53	40.74	29.60	19.64	61.55	42.50	25.79	85.00	58.03	30.78	112.55	75.62	36.05	144.21	96.72	41.91	179.38	117.83
3,050	305	6.45	12.60	8.21	9.97	22.86	14.66	14.36	36.05	22.86	19.05	55.40	33.12	26.09	75.33	45.14	31.07	99.95	58.62	36.64	127.79	75.33	42.79	158.86	92.03
	610	6.74	13.78	9.67	10.55	25.21	17.29	14.95	39.87	27.26	19.64	60.38	39.28	26.67	82.65	53.34	31.95	109.62	69.76	37.52	140.40	89.40	43.67	174.69	109.03
	915	7.03	14.66	10.85	10.85	26.97	19.64	15.24	42.79	30.48	20.22	64.48	43.97	27.55	88.81	60.09	32.53	117.83	78.55	38.40	150.95	100.24	44.55	188.17	122.22
4,575	305	6.16	14.66	8.79	9.67	26.09	15.53	13.78	41.62	24.33	18.76	64.48	35.17	25.79	87.34	47.78	32.24	114.02	62.72	39.28	144.50	80.02	47.48	178.50	97.60
	610	6.45	15.53	10.26	10.26	28.14	18.47	14.36	44.84	29.02	19.35	68.88	41.62	26.67	93.79	56.57	32.83	122.81	74.15	40.16	155.93	94.67	48.36	192.86	115.48
	915	7.03	16.12	11.72	10.55	29.90	20.81	14.95	47.78	32.53	19.93	72.69	46.90	27.26	99.36	63.90	33.71	130.43	83.83	41.03	165.60	106.98	48.95	205.17	130.14
6,100	305	6.16	15.83	9.09	9.67	29.02	16.41	13.48	46.02	25.50	18.17	72.10	36.64	25.21	97.90	50.12	31.36	127.79	65.65	38.40	161.79	83.53	46.31	199.60	101.71
	610	6.45	16.71	10.85	9.97	30.78	19.35	14.07	48.95	30.48	18.76	75.91	43.67	26.09	103.76	59.21	32.24	135.71	77.67	39.28	172.05	99.36	47.19	212.50	121.34
	915	6.74	17.59	12.31	10.26	32.24	21.69	14.66	51.59	34.00	19.35	79.43	49.24	26.67	108.74	66.83	33.12	142.45	87.93	40.16	181.14	112.26	48.07	223.93	136.59
9,150	305	5.86	18.17	9.67	9.09	33.12	17.29	13.19	53.05	27.26	17.59	84.41	39.28	24.33	114.60	53.34	30.19	150.07	69.76	36.64	190.22	89.40	44.26	235.07	109.03
	610	6.16	18.76	11.43	9.67	34.59	20.52	13.78	55.69	32.24	18.17	87.64	46.31	24.91	119.59	63.02	30.78	156.81	82.65	37.81	199.02	105.52	45.43	246.20	128.67
	915	6.45	19.35	12.90	9.97	36.05	23.16	14.07	58.03	36.34	18.76	90.57	52.17	25.79	123.98	70.93	31.66	162.67	92.91	38.69	206.93	118.71	46.31	256.17	144.79

FUEL GAS

COMMON VENT CAPACITY

VENT HEIGHT (H) (feet)	TYPE B DOUBLE-WALL COMMON VENT DIAMETER (D)—inches																				
	4			5			6			7			8			9			10		
	COMBINED APPLIANCE INPUT RATING IN THOUSANDS OF BTU/H																				
	FAN +FAN	FAN +NAT	NAT +NAT	FAN +FAN	FAN +NAT	NAT +NAT	FAN +FAN	FAN +NAT	NAT +NAT	FAN +FAN	FAN +NAT	NAT +NAT	FAN +FAN	FAN +NAT	NAT +NAT	FAN +FAN	FAN +NAT	NAT +NAT	FAN +FAN	FAN +NAT	NAT +NAT
6	92	81	65	140	116	103	204	161	147	309	248	200	404	314	260	547	434	335	672	520	410
8	101	90	73	155	129	114	224	178	163	339	275	223	444	348	290	602	480	378	740	577	465
10	110	97	79	169	141	124	243	194	178	367	299	242	477	377	315	649	522	405	800	627	495
15	125	112	91	195	164	144	283	228	206	427	352	280	556	444	365	753	612	465	924	733	565
20	136	123	102	215	183	160	314	255	229	475	394	310	621	499	405	842	688	523	1,035	826	640
30	152	138	118	244	210	185	361	297	266	547	459	360	720	585	470	979	808	605	1,209	975	740
50	167	153	134	279	244	214	421	353	310	641	547	423	854	706	550	1,164	977	705	1,451	1,188	860

VENT HEIGHT (H) (mm)	TYPE B DOUBLE-WALL COMMON VENT DIAMETER (D)—mm																				
	101.6			127			152.4			177.8			203.2			228.6			254		
	COMBINED APPLIANCE INPUT RATING IN THOUSANDS OF WATTS																				
	FAN +FAN	FAN +NAT	NAT +NAT	FAN +FAN	FAN +NAT	NAT +NAT	FAN +FAN	FAN +NAT	NAT +NAT	FAN +FAN	FAN +NAT	NAT +NAT	FAN +FAN	FAN +NAT	NAT +NAT	FAN +FAN	FAN +NAT	NAT +NAT	FAN +FAN	FAN +NAT	NAT +NAT
1,830	26.97	23.74	19.05	41.03	36.00	30.19	59.79	47.19	43.09	90.57	72.69	58.62	118.41	92.03	76.21	160.33	127.21	98.19	196.96	152.41	120.17
2,450	29.60	26.38	21.40	45.43	37.81	33.41	65.65	52.17	47.78	99.36	80.60	65.36	130.14	102.00	85.00	176.45	140.69	110.79	216.89	169.12	136.29
3,050	32.24	28.43	23.16	49.53	41.33	36.34	71.22	56.86	52.17	107.57	87.64	70.93	139.81	110.50	92.33	190.22	153.00	118.71	234.48	183.77	145.09
4,575	36.64	32.83	26.67	57.16	48.07	42.21	82.95	66.83	60.38	125.15	103.17	82.07	162.96	130.14	106.98	220.70	179.36	136.29	270.82	214.84	165.60
6,100	39.86	36.05	29.90	63.02	53.64	46.90	92.03	74.74	67.12	139.22	115.48	90.86	182.02	146.26	118.71	246.79	201.65	153.29	303.36	242.10	187.58
9,150	44.55	40.45	34.59	71.52	61.55	54.22	105.81	87.05	77.97	160.33	134.53	105.52	211.03	171.46	137.76	286.95	236.83	177.33	354.36	285.77	216.89
15,250	48.95	44.84	39.28	81.78	71.52	62.72	123.40	103.46	90.86	187.88	160.33	123.98	250.31	206.93	161.21	341.17	286.36	206.64	425.29	348.20	252.07

For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm, 1 foot = 304.8 mm, 1 British thermal unit per hour = 0.2931 W.

**TABLE G2428.3(2) [504.3(2)]
TYPE B DOUBLE-WALL VENT**

Number of Appliances	Two or more
Appliances Type	Category I
Appliances Vent Connection	Single-wall metal connector

VENT CONNECTOR CAPACITY

VENT HEIGHT (H) (feet)	CONNECTOR RISE (R) (feet)	SINGLE-WALL METAL VENT CONNECTOR DIAMETER—(D) inches																									
		3		4		5		6		7		8		9		10											
		APPLIANCE INPUT RATING LIMITS IN THOUSANDS OF BTU/H																									
		FAN		NAT		FAN		NAT		FAN		NAT		FAN		NAT		FAN		NAT		FAN		NAT			
Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max				
6	1	NA	NA	26	NA	NA	46	NA	NA	71	NA	NA	102	207	223	140	262	293	183	325	373	234	447	463	286		
	2	NA	NA	31	NA	NA	55	NA	NA	85	168	182	123	215	251	167	271	331	219	334	422	281	458	524	344		
	3	NA	NA	34	NA	NA	62	121	131	95	175	198	138	222	273	188	279	361	247	344	462	316	468	574	385		
8	1	NA	NA	27	NA	NA	48	NA	NA	75	NA	NA	106	226	240	145	285	316	191	352	403	244	481	502	299		
	2	NA	NA	32	NA	NA	57	125	126	89	184	193	127	234	266	173	293	353	228	360	450	292	492	560	355		
	3	NA	NA	35	NA	NA	64	130	138	100	191	208	144	241	287	197	302	381	256	370	489	328	501	609	400		
10	1	NA	NA	28	NA	NA	50	119	121	77	182	186	110	240	253	150	302	335	196	372	429	252	506	534	308		
	2	NA	NA	33	84	85	59	124	134	91	189	203	132	248	278	183	311	369	235	381	473	302	517	589	368		
	3	NA	NA	36	89	91	67	129	144	102	197	217	148	257	299	203	320	398	265	391	511	339	528	637	413		
15	1	NA	NA	29	79	87	52	116	138	81	177	214	116	238	291	158	312	380	208	397	482	266	556	596	324		
	2	NA	NA	34	83	94	62	121	150	97	185	230	138	246	314	189	321	411	248	407	522	317	568	646	387		
	3	NA	NA	39	87	100	70	127	160	109	193	243	157	255	333	215	331	438	281	418	557	360	579	690	437		
20	1	49	56	30	78	97	54	115	152	84	175	238	120	233	325	165	306	425	217	390	538	276	546	664	336		
	2	52	59	36	82	103	64	120	163	101	182	252	144	243	346	197	317	453	259	400	574	331	558	709	403		
	3	55	62	40	87	107	72	125	172	113	190	264	164	252	363	223	326	476	294	412	607	375	570	750	457		
30	1	47	60	31	77	110	57	112	175	89	169	278	129	226	380	175	296	497	230	378	630	294	528	779	358		
	2	51	62	37	81	115	67	117	185	106	177	290	152	236	397	208	307	521	274	389	662	349	541	819	425		
	3	54	64	42	85	119	76	122	193	120	185	300	172	244	412	235	316	542	309	400	690	394	555	855	482		

VENT HEIGHT (H) (mm)	CONNECTOR RISE (R) (mm)	SINGLE-WALL METAL VENT CONNECTOR DIAMETER—(D) mm																									
		76.2		101.6		127		152.4		177.8		203.2		228.6		254											
		APPLIANCE INPUT RATING LIMITS IN THOUSANDS OF WATTS																									
		FAN		NAT		FAN		NAT		FAN		NAT		FAN		NAT		FAN		NAT		FAN		NAT			
Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max				
1,830	305	NA	NA	7.62	NA	NA	13.48	NA	NA	20.81	NA	NA	29.90	60.67	65.36	41.03	76.79	85.88	53.64	95.2	109.33	68.59	131.02	135.71	83.83		
	610	NA	NA	9.09	NA	NA	16.12	NA	NA	24.91	49.24	53.34	36.05	63.02	73.57	48.95	79.43	97.02	64.19	97.90	123.69	82.36	134.24	153.58	100.83		
	915	NA	NA	9.97	NA	NA	18.17	35.47	38.40	27.85	51.29	58.03	40.45	65.07	80.02	55.10	81.78	105.81	72.40	100.83	135.41	92.62	137.17	168.24	112.85		
2,450	305	NA	NA	7.91	NA	NA	14.07	NA	NA	21.98	NA	NA	31.07	66.24	70.34	42.50	83.53	92.62	55.98	103.17	118.12	71.52	140.98	147.14	87.64		
	610	NA	NA	9.38	NA	NA	16.71	36.64	36.93	26.09	53.93	56.57	37.22	68.59	77.97	50.71	85.88	103.46	66.83	105.52	131.90	85.59	144.21	164.14	104.05		
	915	NA	NA	10.26	NA	NA	18.76	38.10	40.45	29.31	55.98	60.97	42.21	70.64	84.12	57.74	88.52	111.67	75.03	108.45	143.33	96.14	146.84	178.50	117.24		
3,050	305	NA	NA	8.21	NA	NA	14.66	34.88	35.47	22.57	53.34	54.52	32.24	70.34	74.15	43.97	88.52	98.19	57.45	109.03	125.74	73.86	148.31	156.52	90.28		
	610	NA	NA	9.67	24.62	24.91	17.29	36.34	39.28	26.67	55.40	59.50	38.69	72.69	81.48	53.64	91.15	108.15	68.88	111.67	138.64	88.52	151.53	172.64	107.86		
	915	NA	NA	10.55	26.09	26.67	19.64	37.81	42.21	29.90	57.74	63.60	43.38	75.33	87.64	59.50	93.79	116.65	77.67	114.60	149.77	99.36	154.76	186.71	121.05		
4,575	305	NA	NA	8.50	23.16	25.50	15.24	34.00	40.45	23.74	51.88	62.72	34.00	69.76	85.29	46.31	91.45	111.38	60.97	116.36	141.27	77.97	162.96	174.69	94.96		
	610	NA	NA	9.97	24.33	27.55	18.17	35.47	43.97	28.43	54.22	67.41	40.45	72.10	92.03	55.40	94.085	120.46	72.69	119.29	153.00	92.91	166.48	189.34	113.43		
	915	NA	NA	11.43	25.50	29.31	20.52	37.22	46.90	31.95	56.57	71.22	46.02	74.74	97.60	63.02	97.02	128.38	82.36	122.52	163.26	105.52	169.71	202.24	128.09		
6,100	305	14.36	16.41	8.79	22.86	28.43	15.83	33.71	44.55	24.62	51.29	69.76	35.17	68.29	95.26	48.36	89.69	124.57	63.60	114.31	157.69	80.90	160.03	194.62	98.48		
	610	15.24	17.30	10.55	24.03	30.19	18.76	35.17	47.78	29.60	53.34	73.86	42.21	71.22	101.41	57.74	92.91	132.77	75.91	117.24	168.24	97.02	163.55	207.81	118.12		
	915	16.12	18.17	11.72	25.50	31.36	21.10	36.64	50.41	33.12	55.69	77.38	48.07	73.86	106.40	65.36	95.56	139.52	86.17	120.76	177.91	109.91	167.07	219.83	133.95		
9,150	305	13.78	17.59	9.09	22.57	32.24	16.71	32.83	51.29	26.09	49.53	81.48	37.81	66.24	111.38	51.29	86.76	145.67	67.41	110.79	184.65	86.17	154.76	228.33	104.93		
	610	14.95	18.17	10.85	23.74	33.71	19.64	34.29	54.22	31.07	51.88	85.00	44.55	69.17	116.36	60.97	89.98	152.71	80.31	114.02	194.03	102.30	158.57	240.05	124.57		
	915	15.83	18.76	12.31	24.91	34.88	22.28	35.76	56.57	35.17	54.22	87.93	50.41	71.52	120.76	68.88	92.62	158.86	90.57	117.24	202.24	115.48	162.67	250.60	141.27		

**FUEL GAS
COMMON VENT CAPACITY**

VENT HEIGHT (H) (feet)	TYPE B DOUBLE-WALL COMMON VENT DIAMETER—(D) inches																				
	4			5			6			7			8			9			10		
	COMBINED APPLIANCE INPUT RATING IN THOUSANDS OF BTU/H																				
	FAN +FAN	FAN +NAT	NAT +NAT	FAN +FAN	FAN +NAT	NAT +NAT	FAN +FAN	FAN +NAT	NAT +NAT	FAN +FAN	FAN +NAT	NAT +NAT	FAN +FAN	FAN +NAT	NAT +NAT	FAN +FAN	FAN +NAT	NAT +NAT	FAN +FAN	FAN +NAT	NAT +NAT
6	NA	78	64	NA	113	99	200	158	144	304	244	196	398	310	257	541	429	332	665	515	407
8	NA	87	71	NA	126	111	218	173	159	331	269	218	436	342	285	592	473	373	730	569	460
10	NA	94	76	163	137	120	237	189	174	357	292	236	467	369	309	638	512	398	787	617	487
15	121	108	88	189	159	140	275	221	200	416	343	274	544	434	357	738	599	456	905	718	553
20	131	118	98	208	177	156	305	247	223	463	383	302	606	487	395	824	673	512	1,013	808	626
30	145	132	113	236	202	180	350	286	257	533	446	349	703	570	459	958	790	593	1,183	952	723
50	159	145	128	268	233	208	406	337	296	622	529	410	833	686	535	1,139	954	689	1,418	1,157	838

VENT HEIGHT (H) (mm)	TYPE B DOUBLE-WALL COMMON VENT DIAMETER—(D) mm																				
	101.6			127			152.4			177.8			203.2			228.6			254		
	COMBINED APPLIANCE INPUT RATING IN THOUSANDS OF WATTS																				
	FAN +FAN	FAN +NAT	NAT +NAT	FAN +FAN	FAN +NAT	NAT +NAT	FAN +FAN	FAN +NAT	NAT +NAT	FAN +FAN	FAN +NAT	NAT +NAT	FAN +FAN	FAN +NAT	NAT +NAT	FAN +FAN	FAN +NAT	NAT +NAT	FAN +FAN	FAN +NAT	NAT +NAT
1,830	NA	22.86	18.76	NA	33.12	29.02	58.62	46.31	42.21	89.10	71.52	57.45	116.65	90.86	75.33	158.57	125.74	97.31	194.91	150.95	119.29
2,450	NA	25.500	20.81	NA	36.93	32.53	63.90	50.71	46.60	97.02	78.84	63.90	127.79	100.24	83.53	173.52	138.64	109.33	213.96	166.77	134.83
3,050	NA	27.55	22.28	47.78	40.16	35.17	69.47	55.40	51.00	104.64	85.59	69.17	136.88	108.15	90.57	187.00	150.07	116.65	230.67	180.84	142.74
4,575	35.47	31.66	25.79	55.40	46.60	41.03	80.60	64.78	58.62	121.93	100.53	80.31	159.45	127.21	104.64	216.31	175.57	133.65	265.26	210.45	162.08
6,100	38.40	34.59	28.72	60.97	51.88	45.72	89.40	72.40	65.36	135.71	112.26	88.52	177.62	142.74	115.78	241.51	197.26	150.07	296.91	236.83	183.48
9,150	42.500	38.69	33.12	69.17	59.21	52.76	102.59	83.83	75.33	156.22	130.72	102.29	206.05	167.07	134.53	280.79	231.55	173.81	346.74	279.03	211.91
15,250	46.60	43.00	37.52	78.55	68.29	60.97	119.00	98.78	86.76	182.31	155.05	120.17	244.15	201.07	156.81	333.84	279.62	201.95	415.62	339.12	245.62

For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm, 1 foot = 304.8 mm, 1 British thermal unit per hour = 0.2931 W.

TABLE G2428.3(3) [504.3(3)]
MASONRY CHIMNEY

Number of Appliances	Two or more
Appliances Type	Category I
Appliances Vent Connection	Type B double-wall connector

VENT CONNECTOR CAPACITY

VENT HEIGHT (H) (feet)	CONNECTOR RISE (R) (feet)	TYPE B DOUBLE-WALL VENT CONNECTOR DIAMETER—(D) inches																							
		3		4		5		6		7		8		9		10									
		APPLIANCE INPUT RATING LIMITS IN THOUSANDS OF BTU/H																							
		FAN		NAT		FAN		NAT		FAN		NAT		FAN		NAT		FAN		NAT		FAN		NAT	
Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max		
6	1	24	33	21	39	62	40	52	106	67	65	194	101	87	274	141	104	370	201	124	479	253	145	599	319
	2	26	43	28	41	79	52	53	133	85	67	230	124	89	324	173	107	436	232	127	562	300	148	694	378
	3	27	49	34	42	92	61	55	155	97	69	262	143	91	369	203	109	491	270	129	633	349	151	795	439
8	1	24	39	22	39	72	41	55	117	69	71	213	105	94	304	148	113	414	210	134	539	267	156	682	335
	2	26	47	29	40	87	53	57	140	86	73	246	127	97	350	179	116	473	240	137	615	311	160	776	394
	3	27	52	34	42	97	62	59	159	98	75	269	145	99	383	206	119	517	276	139	672	358	163	848	452
10	1	24	42	22	38	80	42	55	130	71	74	232	108	101	324	153	120	444	216	142	582	277	165	739	348
	2	26	50	29	40	93	54	57	153	87	76	261	129	103	366	184	123	498	247	145	652	321	168	825	407
	3	27	55	35	41	105	63	58	170	100	78	284	148	106	397	209	126	540	281	147	705	366	171	893	463
15	1	24	48	23	38	93	44	54	154	74	72	277	114	100	384	164	125	511	229	153	658	297	184	824	375
	2	25	55	31	39	105	55	56	174	89	74	299	134	103	419	192	128	558	260	156	718	339	187	900	432
	3	26	59	35	41	115	64	57	189	102	76	319	153	105	448	215	131	597	292	159	760	382	190	960	486
20	1	24	52	24	37	102	46	53	172	77	71	313	119	98	437	173	123	584	239	150	752	312	180	943	397
	2	25	58	31	39	114	56	55	190	91	73	335	138	101	467	199	126	625	270	153	805	354	184	1,011	452
	3	26	63	35	40	123	65	57	204	104	75	353	157	104	493	222	129	661	301	156	851	396	187	1,067	505

VENT HEIGHT (H) (mm)	CONNECTOR RISE (R) (mm)	TYPE B DOUBLE-WALL VENT CONNECTOR DIAMETER—(D) mm																							
		76.2		101.6		127		152.4		177.8		203.2		228.6		254									
		APPLIANCE INPUT RATING LIMITS IN THOUSANDS OF WATTS																							
		FAN		NAT		FAN		NAT		FAN		NAT		FAN		NAT		FAN		NAT		FAN		NAT	
Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max		
1,830	305	7.03	9.67	6.16	11.43	18.17	11.72	15.24	31.07	19.64	19.05	56.86	29.60	25.50	80.31	41.33	30.48	108.45	58.91	36.34	140.40	74.15	42.50	175.5	
	610	7.62	12.60	8.21	12.02	23.16	15.24	15.53	38.98	24.91	19.64	67.41	36.34	26.09	94.96	50.71	31.36	127.79	68.00	37.22	164.72	87.93	43.38	203.4	
	915	7.91	14.36	9.97	12.31	26.97	17.88	16.12	45.43	28.43	20.22	76.79	41.91	26.67	108.15	59.50	31.95	143.91	79.14	37.81	185.53	102.29	44.26	233.0	
2,450	305	7.03	11.43	6.45	11.43	21.10	12.02	16.12	34.29	20.22	20.81	62.43	30.78	27.55	89.10	43.38	33.12	121.34	61.55	39.28	157.98	78.26	45.72	199.8	
	610	7.62	13.78	8.50	11.72	25.50	15.53	16.71	41.03	25.21	21.40	72.10	37.22	28.43	102.59	52.47	34.00	138.64	70.34	40.16	180.26	91.15	46.90	227.4	
	915	7.91	15.24	9.97	12.31	28.43	18.17	17.29	46.60	28.72	21.98	78.84	42.50	29.02	112.26	60.38	34.88	151.53	80.90	40.74	196.96	104.93	47.78	248.5	
3,050	305	7.03	12.31	6.45	11.14	23.45	12.31	16.12	38.10	20.81	21.69	68.00	31.66	29.60	94.96	44.84	35.17	130.14	63.31	41.62	170.58	81.19	48.36	216.6	
	610	7.62	14.66	8.50	11.72	27.26	15.83	16.71	44.84	25.50	22.28	76.50	37.81	30.19	107.28	53.93	36.05	145.96	72.40	42.50	191.10	94.085	49.24	241.8	
	915	7.91	16.12	10.26	12.02	30.78	18.47	17.00	49.83	29.31	22.86	83.24	43.38	31.07	116.36	61.26	36.93	158.27	82.36	43.09	206.64	107.28	50.12	261.7	
4,575	305	7.03	14.07	6.74	11.14	27.26	12.90	15.83	45.14	21.69	21.10	81.19	33.41	29.31	112.55	48.07	36.64	149.77	67.12	44.84	192.86	87.05	53.93	241.5	
	610	7.33	16.12	9.09	11.43	30.78	16.12	16.41	51.00	26.09	21.69	87.64	39.28	30.19	122.81	56.28	37.52	163.55	76.21	45.72	210.45	99.36	54.81	263.7	
	915	7.62	17.29	10.26	12.02	33.71	18.76	16.71	55.40	29.90	22.28	93.50	44.84	30.78	131.31	63.02	38.40	174.98	85.59	46.60	222.76	111.96	55.69	281.3	
6,100	305	7.03	15.24	7.03	10.85	29.90	13.48	15.53	50.41	22.57	20.81	91.74	34.88	28.72	128.09	50.71	36.05	171.17	70.05	43.97	220.41	91.45	52.76	276.3	
	610	7.33	17.00	9.09	11.43	33.41	16.41	16.12	55.69	26.67	21.40	98.19	40.45	29.60	136.88	58.33	36.93	183.19	79.14	44.84	235.95	103.76	53.93	296.3	
	915	7.62	18.47	10.26	11.72	36.05	19.05	16.71	59.79	30.48	21.98	103.46	46.02	30.48	144.50	65.07	37.81	193.74	88.22	45.72	249.43	116.07	54.81	312.7	

COMMON VENT CAPACITY

VENT HEIGHT (H) (feet)	MINIMUM INTERNAL AREA OF MASONRY CHIMNEY FLUE (square inches)																							
	12		19		28		38		50		63		78		113									
	COMBINED APPLIANCE INPUT RATING IN THOUSANDS OF BTU/H																							
	FAN	FAN	NAT	FAN	FAN	NAT	FAN	FAN	NAT	FAN	FAN	NAT	FAN	FAN	NAT	FAN	FAN	NAT	FAN	FAN	NAT	FAN	FAN	NAT
+FAN	+NAT	+NAT	+FAN	+NAT	+NAT	+FAN	+NAT	+NAT	+FAN	+NAT	+NAT	+FAN	+NAT	+NAT	+FAN	+NAT	+NAT	+FAN	+NAT	+NAT	+FAN	+NAT	+NAT	
6	NA	74	25	NA	119	46	NA	178	71	NA	257	103	NA	351	143	NA	458	188	NA	582	246	1,041	853	NA
8	NA	80	28	NA	130	53	NA	193	82	NA	279	119	NA	384	163	NA	501	218	724	636	278	1,144	937	408
10	NA	84	31	NA	138	56	NA	207	90	NA	299	131	NA	409	177	606	538	236	776	686	302	1,226	1,010	454
15	NA	NA	36	NA	152	67	NA	233	106	NA	334	152	523	467	212	682	611	283	874	781	365	1,374	1,156	546

FUEL GAS

20	NA	NA	41	NA	NA	75	NA	250	122	NA	368	172	565	508	243	742	668	325	955	858	419	1,513	1,286	648
30	NA	270	137	NA	404	198	615	564	278	816	747	381	1,062	969	496	1,702	1,473	749						
50	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	620	328	879	831	461	1,165	1,089	606	1,905	1,692	922							

VENT HEIGHT (H) (mm)	MINIMUM INTERNAL AREA OF MASONRY CHIMNEY FLUE (mm ²)																														
	1,741.92				12,258.04				18,064.48				24,516.08				32,258.00				40,645.08				50,322.48				72,903.08		
(H) (mm)	COMBINED APPLIANCE INPUT RATING IN THOUSANDS OF WATTS																														
	FAN +FAN	FAN +NAT	NAT +NAT	FAN +FAN	FAN +NAT	NAT +NAT	FAN +FAN	FAN +NAT	NAT +NAT	FAN +FAN	FAN +NAT	NAT +NAT	FAN +FAN	FAN +NAT	NAT +NAT	FAN +FAN	FAN +NAT	NAT +NAT	FAN +FAN	FAN +NAT	NAT +NAT	FAN +FAN	FAN +NAT	NAT +NAT	FAN +FAN	FAN +NAT	NAT +NAT				
1,830	NA	21.69	7.33	NA	34.88	13.48	NA	52.17	20.81	NA	75.33	30.19	NA	102.88	41.91	NA	134.24	55.10	NA	170.58	72.10	305.12	250.01	NA							
2,450	NA	23.45	8.21	NA	38.10	15.53	NA	56.57	24.03	NA	81.78	34.88	NA	112.55	47.78	NA	146.84	63.90	212.20	186.41	81.48	335.31	274.64	119.59							
3,050	NA	24.62	9.09	NA	40.45	16.41	NA	60.67	26.38	NA	87.64	38.40	NA	119.88	51.88	177.62	157.69	69.17	227.45	201.07	88.52	359.34	296.03	133.07							
4,575	NA	NA	10.55	NA	44.55	19.64	NA	68.29	31.07	NA	97.90	44.55	153.29	136.88	62.14	199.89	179.08	82.95	256.17	228.91	106.98	402.72	338.82	160.03							
6,100	NA	NA	41	NA	NA	21.98	NA	73.28	35.76	NA	107.86	50.41	165.60	148.90	71.22	217.48	195.79	95.26	279.91	251.48	122.81	443.46	376.93	189.93							
9,150	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	79.14	40.16	NA	118.41	58.03	180.26	165.31	81.48	239.17	218.95	111.67	311.27	284.01	145.38	498.86	431.74	219.53							
15,250	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	181.72	96.14	257.64	243.57	135.12	341.46	319.19	177.62	558.36	495.93	270.24							

For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm, 1 square inch = 645.16 mm², 1 foot = 304.8 mm, 1 British thermal unit per hour = 0.2931 W.

TABLE G2428.3(4) [504.3(4)]
MASONRY CHIMNEY

Number of Appliances	Two or more
Appliances Type	Category I
Appliances Vent Connection	Single-wall connector

VENT CONNECTOR CAPACITY

VENT HEIGHT (H) (feet)	CONNECTOR RISE (R) (feet)	SINGLE-WALL METAL VENT CONNECTOR DIAMETER (D)—inches																							
		3		4		5		6		7		8		9		10									
		APPLIANCE INPUT RATING LIMITS IN THOUSANDS OF BTU/H																							
		FAN		NAT		FAN		NAT		FAN		NAT		FAN		NAT		FAN		NAT		FAN		NAT	
Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max		
6	1	NA	NA	21	NA	NA	39	NA	NA	66	179	191	100	231	271	140	292	366	200	362	474	252	499	594	316
	2	NA	NA	28	NA	NA	52	NA	NA	84	186	227	123	239	321	172	301	432	231	373	557	299	509	696	376
	3	NA	NA	34	NA	NA	61	134	153	97	193	258	142	247	365	202	309	491	269	381	634	348	519	793	437
8	1	NA	NA	21	NA	NA	40	NA	NA	68	195	208	103	250	298	146	313	407	207	387	530	263	529	672	331
	2	NA	NA	28	NA	NA	52	137	139	85	202	240	125	258	343	177	323	465	238	397	607	309	540	766	391
	3	NA	NA	34	NA	NA	62	143	156	98	210	264	145	266	376	205	332	509	274	407	663	356	551	838	450
10	1	NA	NA	22	NA	NA	41	130	151	70	202	225	106	267	316	151	333	434	213	410	571	273	558	727	343
	2	NA	NA	29	NA	NA	53	136	150	86	210	255	128	276	358	181	343	489	244	420	640	317	569	813	403
	3	NA	NA	34	97	102	62	143	166	99	217	277	147	284	389	207	352	530	279	430	694	363	580	880	459
15	1	NA	NA	23	NA	NA	43	129	151	73	199	271	112	268	376	161	349	502	225	445	646	291	623	808	366
	2	NA	NA	30	92	103	54	135	170	88	207	295	132	277	411	189	359	548	256	456	706	334	634	884	424
	3	NA	NA	34	96	112	63	141	185	101	215	315	151	286	439	213	368	586	289	466	755	378	646	945	479
20	1	NA	NA	23	87	99	45	128	167	76	197	303	117	265	425	169	345	569	235	439	734	306	614	921	347
	2	NA	NA	30	91	111	55	134	185	90	205	325	136	274	455	195	355	610	266	450	787	348	627	986	443
	3	NA	NA	35	96	119	64	140	199	103	213	343	154	282	481	219	365	644	298	461	831	391	639	1,042	496

VENT HEIGHT (H) (mm)	CONNECTOR RISE (R) (mm)	SINGLE-WALL METAL VENT CONNECTOR DIAMETER (D)—mm																							
		76.2		101.6		127		152.4		177.8		203.2		228.6		254									
		APPLIANCE INPUT RATING LIMITS IN THOUSANDS OF WATTS																							
		FAN		NAT		FAN		NAT		FAN		NAT		FAN		NAT		FAN		NAT		FAN		NAT	
Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max		
1,830	305	NA	NA	6.16	NA	NA	11.43	NA	NA	19.35	52.47	55.98	29.31	67.71	79.43	41.03	85.59	107.28	58.62	106.10	138.93	73.86	146.26	174.10	92.62
	610	NA	NA	8.21	NA	NA	15.24	NA	NA	24.62	54.52	66.53	36.05	70.05	94.09	50.41	88.22	126.62	67.71	109.33	163.26	87.64	149.19	204.00	110.2
	915	NA	NA	9.97	NA	NA	17.88	39.28	44.84	28.43	56.57	75.62	41.62	72.40	106.98	59.21	90.57	143.91	78.84	111.67	185.83	102.00	152.12	232.43	128.0
2,450	305	NA	NA	6.16	NA	NA	11.72	NA	NA	19.93	57.16	60.97	30.19	73.28	87.34	42.79	91.74	119.29	60.67	113.43	155.34	77.09	155.05	196.96	97.02
	610	NA	NA	8.21	NA	NA	15.24	40.16	40.74	24.91	59.21	70.34	36.64	75.62	100.53	51.88	94.67	136.29	69.76	116.36	177.91	90.57	158.27	224.52	114.6
	915	NA	NA	9.97	NA	NA	18.17	41.91	45.72	28.72	61.55	77.38	42.50	77.97	110.21	60.09	97.31	149.19	80.31	119.29	194.33	104.34	161.50	245.62	131.9
3,050	305	NA	NA	6.45	NA	NA	12.02	38.10	44.26	20.52	59.21	65.95	31.07	78.26	92.62	44.26	97.60	127.21	62.43	120.17	167.36	80.02	163.55	213.08	100.5
	610	NA	NA	8.50	NA	NA	15.53	39.86	43.97	25.21	61.55	74.74	37.52	80.90	104.93	53.05	100.53	143.33	71.52	123.10	187.58	92.91	166.77	238.29	118.1
	915	NA	NA	9.97	28.43	29.90	18.17	41.91	48.66	29.02	63.60	81.19	43.09	83.24	114.02	60.67	103.17	155.34	81.78	126.03	203.41	106.40	170.00	257.93	134.5
4,575	305	NA	NA	6.74	NA	NA	12.60	37.81	44.26	21.40	58.33	79.43	32.83	78.55	110.21	47.19	102.29	147.14	65.95	130.43	189.34	85.29	182.60	236.83	107.2
	610	NA	NA	8.79	26.97	30.19	15.83	39.57	49.82	25.79	60.67	86.47	38.69	81.19	120.46	55.40	105.22	160.62	75.03	133.65	206.93	97.90	185.83	259.10	124.2
	915	NA	NA	9.97	28.14	32.83	18.47	41.33	54.22	29.60	63.02	92.33	44.26	83.83	128.67	62.43	107.86	171.76	84.71	136.59	221.29	110.79	189.34	276.98	140.4
6,100	305	NA	NA	6.74	25.50	29.02	13.19	37.52	48.95	22.28	57.74	88.81	34.29	77.67	124.57	49.53	101.12	166.77	68.88	128.67	215.14	89.69	179.96	269.95	101.7
	610	NA	NA	8.79	26.67	32.53	16.12	39.28	54.22	26.38	60.09	95.26	39.86	80.31	133.36	57.16	104.05	178.79	77.97	131.90	230.67	102.00	183.77	289.00	129.8
	915	NA	NA	10.26	28.14	34.88	18.76	41.03	58.33	30.19	62.43	100.53	45.14	82.65	140.98	64.19	106.98	188.76	87.34	135.12	243.57	114.60	187.29	305.41	145.3

COMMON VENT CAPACITY

VENT HEIGHT (H) (feet)	MINIMUM INTERNAL AREA OF MASONRY CHIMNEY FLUE (square inches)																							
	12		19		28		38		50		63		78		113									
	COMBINED APPLIANCE INPUT RATING IN THOUSANDS OF BTU/H																							
	FAN	FAN	NAT	FAN	FAN	NAT	FAN	FAN	NAT	FAN	FAN	NAT	FAN	FAN	NAT	FAN	FAN	NAT	FAN	FAN	NAT	FAN	FAN	NAT
+FAN	+NAT	+NAT	+FAN	+FAN	+NAT																			
6	NA	NA	25	NA	118	45	NA	176	71	NA	255	102	NA	348	142	NA	455	187	NA	579	245	NA	846	NA
8	NA	NA	28	NA	128	52	NA	190	81	NA	276	118	NA	380	162	NA	497	217	NA	633	277	1,136	928	405
10	NA	NA	31	NA	136	56	NA	205	89	NA	295	129	NA	405	175	NA	532	234	171	680	300	1,216	1,000	450
15	NA	NA	36	NA	NA	66	NA	230	105	NA	335	150	NA	400	210	677	602	280	866	772	360	1,359	1,139	540

FUEL GAS

20	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	74	NA	247	120	NA	362	170	NA	503	240	765	661	321	947	849	415	1,495	1,264	640
30	NA	135	NA	398	195	NA	558	275	808	739	377	1,052	957	490	1,682	1,447	740							
50	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	612	325	NA	821	456	1,152	1,076	600	1,879	1,672	910							

VENT HEIGHT (H) (mm)	MINIMUM INTERNAL AREA OF MASONRY CHIMNEY FLUE (mm ²)																								
	1,741.92			12,258.04			18,064.48			24,516.08			32,258.00			40,645.08			50,322.48			72,903.08			
	COMBINED APPLIANCE INPUT RATING IN THOUSANDS OF WATTS																								
	FAN +FAN	FAN +NAT	NAT +NAT	FAN +FAN	FAN +NAT	NAT +NAT	FAN +FAN	FAN +NAT	NAT +NAT	FAN +FAN	FAN +NAT	NAT +NAT	FAN +FAN	FAN +NAT	NAT +NAT	FAN +FAN	FAN +NAT	NAT +NAT	FAN +FAN	FAN +NAT	NAT +NAT	FAN +FAN	FAN +NAT	NAT +NAT	
1,830	NA	NA	7.33	NA	34.59	13.19	NA	51.59	20.81	NA	74.74	29.90	NA	102.00	41.62	NA	133.36	54.81	NA	169.71	71.81	NA	247.96	NA	
2,450	NA	NA	8.21	NA	37.52	15.24	NA	55.69	23.74	NA	80.90	34.59	NA	111.38	47.48	NA	145.67	63.60	NA	185.53	81.19	332.96	272.00	118.71	
3,050	NA	NA	9.09	NA	39.86	16.41	NA	60.09	26.09	NA	86.47	37.81	NA	118.71	51.29	NA	155.93	68.59	50.12	199.31	87.93	356.41	293.10	131.90	
4,575	NA	NA	10.55	NA	NA	19.35	NA	67.41	30.78	NA	98.19	43.97	NA	117.24	61.55	198.43	176.45	82.07	253.83	226.27	105.52	398.32	333.84	158.27	
6,100	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	21.69	NA	72.40	35.17	NA	106.10	49.83	NA	147.43	70.34	224.22	193.74	94.09	277.57	248.84	121.64	438.19	370.48	187.58	
9,150	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	39.57	NA	116.65	57.16	NA	163.55	80.60	236.83	216.60	110.50	308.34	280.50	143.62	492.99	424.12	216.89	
15,250	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	179.38	95.26	NA	240.64	133.65	337.65	315.38	175.86	550.74	490.06	266.72

For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm, 1 square inch = 645.16 mm², 1 foot = 304.8 mm, 1 British thermal unit per hour = 0.2931 W.

SECTION G2431 (601) GENERAL

G2431.1 (601.1) Scope. Sections G2432 through G2454 shall govern the approval, design, installation, construction, maintenance, *alteration* and repair of the *appliances* and *equipment* specifically identified herein.

SECTION G2432 (602) DECORATIVE APPLIANCES FOR INSTALLATION IN FIREPLACES

G2432.1 (602.1) General. Decorative *appliances* for installation in *approved* solid fuel-burning *fireplaces* shall be tested in accordance with ANSI Z21.60/CSA 6.26 and shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions. Manually lighted natural gas decorative *appliances* shall be tested in accordance with ANSI Z21.84.

G2432.2 (602.2) Flame safeguard device. Decorative *appliances* for installation in *approved* solid fuel-burning *fireplaces*, with the exception of those tested in accordance with ANSI Z21.84, shall utilize a direct ignition device, an ignitor or a *pilot* flame to ignite the fuel at the *main burner*, and shall be equipped with a *flame safeguard* device. The *flame safeguard* device shall automatically shut off the fuel supply to a *main burner* or group of *burners* when the means of ignition of such *burners* becomes inoperative.

G2432.3 (602.3) Prohibited installations. Decorative *appliances* for installation in *fireplaces* shall not be installed where prohibited by Section G2406.2.

SECTION G2433 (603) LOG LIGHTERS

G2433.1 (603.1) General. Log lighters shall be tested in accordance with CSA 8 and shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

SECTION G2434 (604) VENTED GAS FIREPLACES (DECORATIVE APPLIANCES)

G2434.1 (604.1) General. Vented gas *fireplaces* shall be tested in accordance with ANSI Z21.50/CSA 2.22, shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions and shall be designed and equipped as specified in Section G2432.2.

G2434.2 (604.2) Access. Panels, grilles and access doors that are required to be removed for normal servicing operations shall not be attached to the building.

SECTION G2435 (605) VENTED GAS FIREPLACE HEATERS

G2435.1 (605.1) General. Vented gas *fireplace* heaters shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions, shall be tested in accordance with ANSI Z21.88/CSA 2.33 and shall be designed and equipped as specified in Section G2432.2.

SECTION G2436 (608) VENTED WALL FURNACES

G2436.1 (608.1) General. *Vented wall furnaces* shall be tested in accordance with ANSI Z21.86/CSA 2.32 and shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

G2436.2 (608.2) Venting. *Vented wall furnaces* shall be vented in accordance with Section G2427.

G2436.3 (608.3) Location. *Vented wall furnaces* shall be located so as not to cause a fire hazard to walls, floors, combustible furnishings or doors. *Vented wall furnaces* installed between bathrooms and adjoining rooms shall not circulate air from bathrooms to other parts of the building.

G2436.4 (608.4) Door swing. *Vented wall furnaces* shall be located so that a door cannot swing within 305 mm (12 inches) of an air inlet or air outlet of such *furnace* measured at right angles to the opening. Doorstops or door closers shall not be installed to obtain this *clearance*.

G2436.5 (608.5) Ducts prohibited. Ducts shall not be attached to wall *furnaces*. Casing extension boots shall not be installed unless *listed* as part of the *appliance*.

G2436.6 (608.6) Access. *Vented wall furnaces* shall be provided with *access* for cleaning of heating surfaces, removal of *burners*, replacement of sections, motors, *controls*, filters and other working parts, and for adjustments and lubrication of parts requiring such attention. Panels, grilles and access doors that are required to be removed for normal servicing operations shall not be attached to the building construction.

SECTION G2437 (609) FLOOR FURNACES

G2437.1 (609.1) General. *Floor furnaces* shall be tested in accordance with ANSI Z21.86/CSA 2.32 and shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

G2437.2 (609.2) Placement. The following provisions apply to *floor furnaces*:

1. Floors. *Floor furnaces* shall not be installed in the floor of any doorway, stairway landing, aisle or passageway of any enclosure, public or private, or in an exitway from any such room or space.
2. Walls and corners. The register of a *floor furnace* with a horizontal warm air outlet shall not be placed closer than 150 mm (6 inches) to the nearest wall. A distance of not less than 455 mm (18 inches) from two adjoining sides of the *floor furnace* register to walls shall be provided to eliminate the necessity of occupants walking over the warm-air discharge. The remaining sides shall be permitted to be placed not closer than 150 mm (6 inches) to a wall. Wall-register models shall not be placed closer than 150 mm (6 inches) to a corner.
3. Draperies. The *furnace* shall be placed so

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that a door, drapery, or similar object cannot be nearer than 305 mm (12 inches) to any portion of the register of the *furnace*.

4. Floor construction. *Floor furnaces* shall not be installed in concrete floor construction built on grade.
5. *Thermostat*. The controlling *thermostat* for a *floor furnace* shall be located within the same room or space as the *floor furnace* or shall be located in an adjacent room or space that is permanently open to the room or space containing the *floor furnace*.

G2437.3 (609.3) Bracing. The floor around the *furnace* shall be braced and headed with a support framework designed in accordance with Chapter 5.

G2437.4 (609.4) Clearance. The lowest portion of the *floor furnace* shall have not less than a 150 mm (6-inch) *clearance* from the grade level; except where the lower 150 mm (6-inch) portion of the *floor furnace* is sealed by the manufacturer to prevent entrance of water, the minimum *clearance* shall be not less than 51 mm (2 inches). Where such *clearances* cannot be provided, the ground below and to the sides shall be excavated to form a pit under the *furnace* so that the required *clearance* is provided beneath the lowest portion of the *furnace*. A 305 mm (12-inch) minimum *clearance* shall be provided on all sides except the *control* side, which shall have an 455 mm (18-inch) minimum *clearance*.

G2437.5 (609.5) First-floor installation. Where the basement story level below the floor in which a *floor furnace* is installed is utilized as habitable space, such *floor furnaces* shall be enclosed as specified in Section G2437.6 and shall project into a nonhabitable space.

G2437.6 (609.6) Upper-floor installations. *Floor furnaces* installed in upper stories of buildings shall project below into nonhabitable space and shall be separated from the nonhabitable space by an enclosure constructed of *noncombustible materials*. The *floor furnace* shall be provided with *access, clearance* to all sides and bottom of not less than 150 mm (6 inches) and *combustion air* in accordance with Section G2407.

SECTION G2438 (613) CLOTHES DRYERS

G2438.1 (613.1) General. *Clothes dryers* shall be tested in accordance with ANSI Z21.5.1/CSA 7.1 and shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

SECTION G2439 (614) CLOTHES DRYER EXHAUST

G2439.1 (614.1) Installation. *Clothes dryers* shall be exhausted in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions. Dryer exhaust systems shall be independent of all other systems and shall convey the moisture and any products of *combustion* to the outside of the building.

G2439.2 (614.2) Duct penetrations. Ducts that exhaust *clothes dryers* shall not penetrate or be located within any fireblocking, draftstopping or any wall, floor/ceiling or other assembly required by this *code* to be fire-resistance rated, unless such duct is constructed of galvanized steel or aluminum of the thickness specified in the mechanical provisions of this *code* and the fire-resistance rating is maintained in

accordance with this *code*. Fire dampers shall not be installed in *clothes dryer* exhaust duct systems.

G2439.3 (614.4) Exhaust installation. Exhaust ducts for *clothes dryers* shall terminate on the outside of the building and shall be equipped with a backdraft *damper*. Screens shall not be installed at the duct termination. Ducts shall not be connected or installed with sheet metal screws or other fasteners that will obstruct the flow. *Clothes dryer* exhaust ducts shall not be connected to a *vent connector*, vent or *chimney*. *Clothes dryer* exhaust ducts shall not extend into or through ducts or plenums. *Clothes dryer* exhaust ducts shall be sealed in accordance with Section M1601.4.1.

G2439.3.1 (614.4.1) Exhaust termination outlet and passageway. The passageway of dryer exhaust duct terminals shall be undiminished in size and shall provide an open area of not less than 8065 mm² (12.5 square inches).

G2439.4 (614.5) Dryer exhaust duct power ventilators. Domestic dryer exhaust duct power ventilators shall be *listed* and *labelled* to UL 705 for use in dryer exhaust duct systems. The dryer exhaust duct power ventilator shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

G2439.5 (614.6) Makeup air. Installations exhausting more than 0.09 m³/s (200 cfm) shall be provided with *makeup air*. Where a closet is designed for the installation of a *clothes dryer*, an opening having an area of not less than 0.0645 m² (100 square inches) for *makeup air* shall be provided in the closet enclosure, or *makeup air* shall be provided by other *approved* means.

G2439.6 (614.7) Protection required. Protective shield plates shall be placed where nails or screws from finish or other work are likely to penetrate the *clothes dryer* exhaust duct. Shield plates shall be placed on the finished face of all framing members where there is less than 32 mm (1¹/₄ inches) between the duct and the finished face of the framing member. Protective shield plates shall be constructed of steel, shall have a minimum thickness of 1.6 mm (0.062 inch) and shall extend not less than 51 mm (2 inches) above sole plates and below top plates.

G2439.7 (614.8) Domestic clothes dryer exhaust ducts. Exhaust ducts for domestic *clothes dryers* shall conform to the requirements of Sections G2439.7.1 through G2439.7.6.

G2439.7.1 (614.8.1) Material and size. Exhaust ducts shall have a smooth interior finish and shall be constructed of metal not less than 0.4 mm (0.016 inch) in thickness. The exhaust duct size shall be 100 mm (4 inches) nominal in diameter.

G2439.7.2 (614.8.2) Duct installation. Exhaust ducts shall be supported at 1,220 mm (4-foot) intervals and secured in place. The insert end of the duct shall extend into the adjoining duct or fitting in the direction of airflow. Ducts shall not be joined with screws or similar fasteners that protrude more than 3.2 mm (¹/₈ inch) into the inside of the duct. Where dryer exhaust ducts are enclosed in wall or ceiling cavities, such cavities shall allow the installation of the duct without deformation.

G2439.7.3 (614.8.3) Transition ducts. Transition ducts used to connect the dryer to the exhaust duct system shall

be a single length that is *listed* and *labelled* in accordance with UL 2158A. Transition ducts shall be not more than 2,450 mm (8 feet) in length and shall not be concealed within construction.

G2439.7.4 (614.8.4) Duct length. The maximum allowable exhaust duct length shall be determined by one of the methods specified in Sections G2439.7.4.1 through G2439.7.4.3.

G2439.7.4.1 (614.8.4.1) Specified length. The maximum length of the exhaust duct shall be 10,675 mm (35 feet) from the connection to the transition duct from the dryer to the outlet terminal. Where fittings are used, the maximum length of the exhaust duct shall be reduced in accordance with Table G2439.7.4.1.

**TABLE G2439.7.4.1 (TABLE 614.8.4.1)
DRYER EXHAUST DUCT FITTING EQUIVALENT LENGTH**

DRYER EXHAUST DUCT FITTING TYPE	EQUIVALENT LENGTH
100 mm radius mitered 45-degree elbow	760 mm
100 mm radius mitered 90-degree elbow	1,525 mm
150 mm radius smooth 45-degree elbow	305 mm
150 mm radius smooth 90-degree elbow	535 mm
205 mm radius smooth 45-degree elbow	305 mm
205 mm radius smooth 90-degree elbow	480 mm
255 mm radius smooth 45-degree elbow	230 mm
255 mm radius smooth 90-degree elbow	455 mm

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 degree = 0.0175 rad.

G2439.7.4.2 (614.8.4.2) Manufacturer’s instructions. The maximum length of the exhaust duct shall be determined by the dryer manufacturer’s installation instructions. The *Local Authority* shall be provided with a copy of the installation instructions for the make and model of the dryer. Where the exhaust duct is to be concealed, the installation instructions shall be provided to the *building official* prior to the concealment inspection. In the absence of fitting equivalent length calculations from the clothes dryer manufacturer, Table G2439.7.4.1 shall be utilized.

G2439.7.4.3 (614.8.4.3) Dryer exhaust duct power ventilator length. The maximum length of the exhaust duct shall be determined by the dryer exhaust duct power ventilator manufacturer’s installation instructions.

G2439.7.5 (614.8.5) Length identification. Where the exhaust duct equivalent length exceeds 10,675 mm (35 feet), the equivalent length of the exhaust duct shall be identified on a permanent label or tag. The label or tag shall be located within 1,830 mm (6 feet) of the exhaust duct connection

G2439.7.6 (614.8.6) Exhaust duct required. Where space for a *clothes dryer* is provided, an exhaust duct system shall be installed.

Where the *clothes dryer* is not installed at the time of occupancy, the exhaust duct shall be capped at the location of the future dryer.

Exception: Where a *listed* condensing *clothes dryer* is installed prior to occupancy of the structure.

**SECTION G2440
(615) SAUNA
HEATERS**

G2440.1 (615.1) General. Sauna heaters shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

G2440.2 (615.2) Location and protection. Sauna heaters shall be located so as to minimize the possibility of accidental contact by a person in the room.

G2440.2.1 (615.2.1) Guards. Sauna heaters shall be protected from accidental contact by an *approved* guard or barrier of material having a low coefficient of thermal conductivity. The guard shall not substantially affect the transfer of heat from the heater to the room.

G2440.3 (615.3) Access. Panels, grilles and *access* doors that are required to be removed for normal servicing operations, shall not be attached to the building.

G2440.4 (615.4) Combustion and dilution air intakes. Sauna heaters of other than the direct-vent type shall be installed with the *draft hood* and *combustion air* intake located outside the sauna room. Where the *combustion air* inlet and the *draft hood* are in a dressing room adjacent to the sauna room, there shall be provisions to prevent physically blocking the *combustion air* inlet and the *draft hood* inlet, and to prevent physical contact with the *draft hood* and vent assembly, or warning notices shall be posted to avoid such contact. Any warning notice shall be easily readable, shall contrast with its background and the wording shall be in letters not less than 6.35 mm ($\frac{1}{4}$ inch) high.

G2440.5 (615.5) Combustion and ventilation air. *Combustion air* shall not be taken from inside the sauna room. *Combustion* and ventilation air for a sauna heater not of the direct-vent type shall be provided to the area in which the *combustion air* inlet and *draft hood* are located in accordance with Section G2407.

G2440.6 (615.6) Heat and time controls. Sauna heaters shall be equipped with a *thermostat* that will limit room temperature to 90 °C (194°F). If the *thermostat* is not an integral part of the sauna heater, the heat-sensing element shall be located within 150 mm (6 inches) of the ceiling. If the heat-sensing element is a capillary tube and bulb, the assembly shall be attached to the wall or other support, and shall be protected against physical damage.

G2440.6.1 (615.6.1) Timers. A timer, if provided to *control main burner* operation, shall have a maximum operating time of 1 hour. The *control* for the timer shall be located outside the sauna room.

G2440.7 (615.7) Sauna room. A ventilation opening into the sauna room shall be provided. The opening shall be not less than 100 mm by 205 mm (4 inches by 8 inches) located near the top of the door into the sauna room.

G2441.1 (617.1) General. Pool and spa heaters shall be tested in accordance with ANSI Z21.56/CSA 4.7 and shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

**SECTION G2441 (617)
POOL AND SPA
HEATERS**

**SECTION G2442 (618)
FORCED-AIR WARM-AIR FURNACES**

G2442.1 (618.1) General. Forced-air warm-air *furnaces* shall be tested in accordance with ANSI Z21.47/CSA 2.3 or UL 795 and shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

G2442.2 (618.2) Dampers. Volume dampers shall not be placed in the air inlet to a *furnace* in a manner that will reduce the required air to the *furnace*.

G2442.3 (618.3) Prohibited sources. Outdoor or return air for forced-air heating and cooling systems shall not be taken from the following locations:

1. Closer than 3,050 mm (10 feet) from an *appliance* vent outlet, a vent opening from a plumbing drainage system or the discharge outlet of an exhaust fan, unless the outlet is 915 mm (3 feet) above the outside air inlet.
2. Where there is the presence of objectionable odors, fumes or flammable vapours; or where located less than 3,050 mm (10 feet) above the surface of any abutting public way or driveway; or where located at grade level by a sidewalk, street, alley or driveway.
3. A hazardous or insanitary location or a refrigeration machinery room as defined in the *Jamaica Mechanical Code*.
4. A room or space, the volume of which is less than 25 percent of the entire volume served by such system. Where connected by a permanent opening having an area sized in accordance with this code, adjoining rooms or spaces shall be considered to be a single room or space for the purpose of determining the volume of such rooms or spaces.

Exception: The minimum volume requirement shall not apply where the amount of return air taken from a room or space is less than or equal to the amount of supply air delivered to such room or space.

5. A room or space containing an *appliance* where such a room or space serves as the sole source of return air.

Exception: This shall not apply where:

1. The *appliance* is a direct-vent *appliance* or an *appliance* not requiring a vent in accordance with Section G2425.8.
2. The room or space complies with the following requirements:
 1. The return air shall be taken from a room or space having a volume exceeding 9.6 L/W (1 cubic foot for each 10 Btu/h) of combined input rating of all fuel-burning appliances therein.
 2. The volume of supply air discharged back into the same space shall be approximately equal to the volume of

return air taken from the space.

3. Return-air inlets shall not be located within 3,050 mm (10 feet) of a draft

hood in the same room or space or the combustion chamber of any atmospheric burner *appliance* in the same room or space.

3. Rooms or spaces containing solid fuel-burning appliances, provided that return-air inlets are located not less than 3,050 mm (10 feet) from the firebox of such appliances.
6. A closet, bathroom, toilet room, kitchen, garage, boiler room, furnace room or unconditioned attic.

Exceptions:

1. Where return air intakes are located not less than 3,050 mm (10 feet) from cooking appliances and serve only the kitchen area, taking return air from a kitchen area shall not be prohibited.
2. Dedicated forced-air systems serving only a garage shall not be prohibited from obtaining return air from the garage.
7. A crawl space by means of direct connection to the return side of a forced-air system. Transfer openings in the crawl space enclosure shall not be prohibited.

G2442.4 (618.4) Screen. Required outdoor air inlets shall be covered with a screen having 6.35 mm ($1/4$ -inch) openings.

G2442.5 (618.5) Return-air limitation. Return air from one *dwelling unit* shall not be discharged into another *dwelling unit*.

G2442.6 (618.6) Furnace plenums and air ducts. Where a *furnace* is installed so that supply ducts carry air circulated by the *furnace* to areas outside of the space containing the *furnace*, the return air shall be handled by a duct(s) sealed to the *furnace* casing and terminating outside of the space containing the *furnace*.

SECTION G2443 (619) CONVERSION BURNERS

G2443.1 (619.1) Conversion burners. The installation of *conversion burners* shall conform to ANSI Z21.8.

SECTION G2444 (620) UNIT HEATERS

G2444.1 (620.1) General. *Unit heaters* shall be tested in accordance with ANSI Z83.8/CSA 2.6 and shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

G2444.2 (620.2) Support. Suspended-type *unit heaters* shall be supported by elements that are

designed and constructed to accommodate the weight and dynamic loads. Hangers and brackets shall be of noncombustible material.

G2444.3 (620.3) Ductwork. Ducts shall not be connected to a unit heater unless the heater is *listed* for such installation.

G2444.4 (620.4) Clearance. Suspended-type *unit heaters* shall be installed with *clearances to combustible materials* of not less than 455 mm (18 inches) at the sides, 305 mm (12 inches) at the bottom and 150 mm (6 inches) above the top where

the unit heater has an internal *draft hood* or 25 mm (1 inch) above the top of the sloping side of the vertical *draft hood*.

Floor-mounted-type *unit heaters* shall be installed with *clearances* to *combustible materials* at the back and one side only of not less than 150 mm (6 inches). Where the *flue gases* are vented horizontally, the 150 mm (6-inch) *clearance* shall be measured from the *draft hood* or *vent* instead of the rear wall of the unit heater. Floor-mounted-type *unit heaters* shall not be installed on combustible floors unless *listed* for such installation.

Clearances for servicing all *unit heaters* shall be in accordance with the manufacturer's installation instructions.

Exception: *Unit heaters listed* for reduced *clearance* shall be permitted to be installed with such *clearances* in accordance with their listing and the manufacturer's instructions.

SECTION G2445 (621) UNVENTED ROOM HEATERS

G2445.1 (621.1) General. *Unvented room heaters* shall be tested in accordance with ANSI Z21.11.2 and shall be installed in accordance with the conditions of the listing and the manufacturer's instructions.

G2445.2 (621.2) Prohibited use. One or more *unvented room heaters* shall not be used as the sole source of comfort heating in a *dwelling unit*.

G2445.3 (621.3) Input rating. *Unvented room heaters* shall not have an input rating in excess of 11.7 kW (40,000 Btu/h).

G2445.4 (621.4) Prohibited locations. The location of *unvented room heaters* shall comply with Section G2406.2.

G2445.5 (621.5) Room or space volume. The aggregate input rating of all *unvented appliances* installed in a room or space shall not exceed 207 W/m³ (20 Btu/h per *cubic foot*) of volume of such room or space. Where the room or space in which the *appliances* are installed is directly connected to another room or space by a doorway, archway or other opening of comparable size that cannot be closed, the volume of such adjacent room or space shall be permitted to be included in the calculations.

G2445.6 (621.6) Oxygen-depletion safety system. *Unvented room heaters* shall be equipped with an oxygen-depletion-sensitive safety shutoff system. The system shall shut off the gas supply to the main and *pilot burners* when the oxygen in the surrounding atmosphere is depleted to the percent concentration specified by the manufacturer, but not lower than 18 percent. The system shall not incorporate field adjustment means capable of changing the set point at which the system acts to shut off the gas supply to the room heater.

G2445.7 (621.7) Unvented decorative room heaters. An unvented decorative room heater shall not be installed in a *factory-built fireplace* unless the *fireplace* system has been specifically tested, *listed* and *labelled* for such use in accordance with UL 127.

G2445.7.1 (621.7.1) Ventless firebox enclosures. Ventless firebox enclosures used with unvented decorative room heaters shall be *listed* as complying with ANSI Z21.91.

SECTION G2446 (622) VENTED ROOM HEATERS

G2446.1 (622.1) General. *Vented room heaters* shall be tested in accordance with ANSI Z21.86/CSA 2.32, shall be designed and equipped as specified in Section G2432.2 and shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

SECTION G2447 (623) COOKING APPLIANCES

G2447.1 (623.1) Cooking appliances. Cooking *appliances* that are designed for permanent installation, including ranges, ovens, stoves, broilers, grills, fryers, griddles, hot plates and barbecues, shall be tested in accordance with ANSI Z21.1 or ANSI Z21.58/CSA 1.6 and shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

G2447.2 (623.2) Prohibited location. Cooking appliances designed, tested, *listed* and *labelled* for use in commercial occupancies shall not be installed within dwelling units or within any area where domestic cooking operations occur.

Exceptions:

1. Appliances that are also listed as domestic cooking appliances.
2. Where the installation is designed by a licensed Professional Engineer, in compliance with the manufacturer's installation instructions.

G2447.3 (623.3) Domestic appliances. Cooking *appliances* installed within *dwelling units* and within areas where domestic cooking operations occur shall be *listed* and *labelled* as household-type *appliances* for domestic use.

G2447.4 (623.4) Range installation. Ranges installed on combustible floors shall be set on their own bases or legs and shall be installed with *clearances* of not less than that shown on the label.

G2447.5 (623.7) Vertical clearance above cooking top. Household cooking *appliances* shall have a vertical *clearance* above the cooking top of not less than 760 mm (30 inches) to *combustible material* and metal cabinets. A minimum *clearance* of 610 mm (24 inches) is permitted where one of the following is installed:

1. The underside of the *combustible material* or metal cabinet above the cooking top is protected with not less than 6.35 mm (¹/₄-inch) insulating millboard covered with sheet metal not less than 0.3 mm (0.0122 inch) thick.
2. A metal ventilating hood constructed of sheet metal not less than 0.3 mm (0.0122 inch) thick is installed above the cooking top with a *clearance* of not less than 6.35 mm (¹/₄ inch) between the hood and the underside of the *combustible material* or metal cabinet. The hood shall have a width not less than the width of the *appliance* and shall be centered over the *appliance*.
3. A *listed* cooking *appliance* or microwave

oven is installed over a *listed* cooking *appliance* and in compliance with the terms of the manufacturer's installation instructions for the upper *appliance*.

SECTION G2448 (624) WATER HEATERS

G2448.1 (624.1) General. Water heaters shall be tested in accordance with ANSI Z21.10.1/CSA 4.1 and ANSI Z21.10.3/CSA 4.3 and shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

G2448.1.1 (624.1.1) Installation requirements. The requirements for *water heaters* relative to sizing, *relief valves*, drain pans and scald protection shall be in accordance with this code.

G2448.2 (624.2) Water heaters utilized for space heating. *Water heaters* utilized both to supply potable hot water and provide hot water for space-heating applications shall be *listed* and *labelled* for such applications by the manufacturer and shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions and this code.

SECTION G2449 (627) AIR-CONDITIONING APPLIANCES

G2449.1 (627.1) General. Gas-fired air-conditioning *appliances* shall be tested in accordance with ANSI Z21.40.1/CSA 1. or ANSI Z21.40.2/CSA 2.92 and shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

G2449.2 (627.2) Independent piping. *Gas piping* serving heating *appliances* shall be permitted to also serve cooling *appliances* where such heating and cooling *appliances* cannot be operated simultaneously (see Section G2413).

G2449.3 (627.3) Connection of gas-engine-powered air conditioners. To protect against the effects of normal vibration in service, gas engines shall not be rigidly connected to the gas supply *piping*.

G2449.4 (627.6) Installation. Air-conditioning *appliances* shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions. Unless the *appliance* is *listed* for installation on a combustible surface such as a floor or roof, or unless the surface is protected in an *approved* manner, the *appliance* shall be installed on a surface of noncombustible construction with *noncombustible material* and surface finish, and *combustible material* shall not be against the underside thereof.

SECTION G2450 (628) ILLUMINATING APPLIANCES

G2450.1 (628.1) General. Illuminating *appliances* shall be tested in accordance with ANSI Z21.42 and shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

G2450.2 (628.2) Mounting on buildings. Illuminating *appliances* designed for wall or ceiling mounting shall be securely attached to substantial structures in such a manner that they are not dependent on the *gas piping* for support.

G2450.3 (628.3) Mounting on posts. Illuminating *appliances* designed for post mounting shall be securely and rigidly attached to a post. Posts shall be rigidly mounted. The strength and rigidity of posts greater than 915 mm (3 feet) in

height shall be at least equivalent to that of a 64 mm (2½-inch)-diameter post constructed of 1.6 mm (0.064-inch)-thick steel or a 25 mm (1-inch) Schedule 40 steel *pipe*. Posts 915 mm (3 feet) or less in height shall not be smaller than a 19 mm (¾-inch) Schedule 40 steel *pipe*. Drain openings shall be provided near the base of posts where there is a possibility of water collecting inside them.

G2450.4 (628.4) Appliance pressure regulators. Where an *appliance pressure regulator* is not supplied with an illuminating *appliance* and the service line is not equipped with a *service pressure regulator*, an *appliance pressure regulator* shall be installed in the line to the illuminating *appliance*. For multiple installations, one *regulator* of adequate capacity shall be permitted to serve more than one illuminating *appliance*.

SECTION G2451 (630) INFRARED RADIANT HEATERS

G2451.1 (630.1) General. Infrared radiant heaters shall be tested in accordance with ANSI Z83.19 or Z83.20 and shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

G2451.2 (630.2) Support. *Infrared radiant heaters* shall be fixed in a position independent of gas and electric supply lines. Hangers and brackets shall be of *noncombustible material*.

SECTION G2452 (631) BOILERS

G2452.1 (631.1) Standards. Boilers shall be *listed* in accordance with the requirements of ANSI Z21.13/CSA 4.9 or UL 795. If applicable, the boiler shall be designed and constructed in accordance with the requirements of ASME CSD-1 and as applicable, the ASME *Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code*, Sections I, II, IV, V and IX and NFPA 85.

G2452.2 (631.2) Installation. In addition to the requirements of this code, the installation of boilers shall be in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions. Operating instructions of a permanent type shall be attached to the boiler. Boilers shall have all *controls* set, adjusted and tested by the installer. A complete *control* diagram together with complete boiler operating instructions shall be furnished by the installer. The manufacturer's rating data and the nameplate shall be attached to the boiler.

G2452.3 (631.3) Clearance to combustible material. *Clearances to combustible materials* shall be in accordance with Section G2409.4.

SECTION G2453 (634) CHIMNEY DAMPER OPENING AREA

G2453.1 (634.1) Free opening area of chimney dampers. Where an unlisted decorative *appliance* for installation in a vented *fireplace* is installed, the *fireplace damper* shall have a permanent free opening equal to or greater than specified in Table G2453.1.

TABLE G2453.1 (634.1)
FREE OPENING AREA OF CHIMNEY DAMPER FOR VENTING FLUE GASES
FROM UNLISTED DECORATIVE APPLIANCES FOR INSTALLATION IN VENTED FIREPLACES

CHIMNEY HEIGHT (feet)	MINIMUM PERMANENT FREE OPENING (square inches) ^a						
	8	13	20	29	39	51	64
	Appliance input rating (Btu per hour)						
6	7,800	14,000	23,200	34,000	46,400	62,400	80,000
8	8,400	15,200	25,200	37,000	50,400	68,000	86,000
10	9,000	16,800	27,600	40,400	55,800	74,400	96,400
15	9,800	18,200	30,200	44,600	62,400	84,000	108,800
20	10,600	20,200	32,600	50,400	68,400	94,000	122,200
30	11,200	21,600	36,600	55,200	76,800	105,800	138,600

CHIMNEY HEIGHT (mm)	MINIMUM PERMANENT FREE OPENING mm ²						
	5,161.28	8,387.08	12,903.2	18,709.64	25,161.24	32,903.16	41,290.24
	Appliance input rating (kW)						
1,830	2286.18	4103.40	6799.92	9965.40	13599.84	18289.44	23448.00
2,450	2462.04	4455.12	7386.12	10844.70	14772.24	19930.80	25206.60
3,050	2637.90	4924.08	8089.56	11841.24	16354.98	21806.64	28254.84
4,575	2872.38	5334.42	8851.62	13072.26	18289.44	24620.40	31889.28
6,100	3106.86	5920.62	9555.06	14772.24	20048.04	27551.40	35816.82
9,150	3282.72	6330.96	10727.46	16179.12	22510.08	31009.98	40623.66

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 mm² = 0.00155 inch², 1 kW = 3.412 Btu/h.

- The first six minimum permanent free openings 5,161 to 32,903 mm² (8 to 51 square inches) correspond approximately to the cross-sectional areas of chimneys having diameters of 3 through 205 mm (8 inches), respectively. The 41,290 mm² (64-square-inch) opening corresponds to the cross-sectional area of standard 205 mm by 205 mm (8-inch by 8-inch) chimney tile.

SECTION G2454 (636) OUTDOOR DECORATIVE APPLIANCES

G2454.1 (636.1) General. Permanently fixed-in-place outdoor decorative appliances shall be tested in accordance with ANSI Z21.97 and shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

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CHAPTER 25

PLUMBING ADMINISTRATION

User notes:

About this chapter: Chapter 25 covers regulations for existing plumbing installations and testing of new or repaired systems. These general requirements can be superseded by more specific requirements for certain applications in Chapters 26 through 33.

SECTION P2501 GENERAL

P2501.1 Scope. The provisions of this chapter shall establish the general administrative requirements applicable to plumbing systems and inspection requirements of this code.

P2501.2 Application. In addition to the general administration requirements of Chapter 1, the administrative provisions of this chapter shall apply to the plumbing requirements of Chapters 25 through 33.

SECTION P2502 EXISTING PLUMBING SYSTEMS

P2502.1 Existing building sewers and building drains. Where the entire sanitary drainage system of an existing building is replaced, existing *building drains* under concrete slabs and existing *building sewers* that will serve the new system shall be internally examined to verify that the piping is sloping in the correct direction, is not broken, is not obstructed and is sized for the drainage load of the new plumbing drainage system to be installed.

P2502.2 Additions, alterations or repairs. Additions, *alterations*, renovations or repairs to any plumbing system shall conform to that required for a new plumbing system without requiring the existing plumbing system to comply with the requirements of this code. Additions, *alterations* or repairs shall not cause an existing system to become unsafe, insanitary or overloaded.

Minor additions, *alterations*, renovations and repairs to existing plumbing systems shall be permitted in the same manner and arrangement as in the existing system, provided that such repairs or replacement are not hazardous and are *approved*.

SECTION P2503 INSPECTION AND TESTS

P2503.1 Inspection required. New plumbing work and parts of existing systems affected by new work or *alterations* shall

be inspected by the *building official* to ensure compliance with the requirements of this code.

P2503.2 Concealment. A plumbing or drainage system, or part thereof, shall not be covered, concealed or put into use until it has been tested, inspected and *approved* by the *building official*.

P2503.3 Responsibility of permit holder/permit holder. Test equipment, materials and labor shall be furnished by the permit holder.

P2503.4 Building sewer testing. The *building sewer* shall be tested by insertion of a test plug at the point of connection with the public sewer, filling the *building sewer* with water and pressurizing the sewer to not less than a 3,050 mm (10-foot) head of water. The test pressure shall not decrease during a period of not less than 15 minutes. The *building sewer* shall be watertight at all points.

A forced sewer test shall consist of pressurizing the piping to a pressure of not less than 34.5 kPa (5 psi) greater than the pump rating and maintaining such pressure for not less than 15 minutes. The forced sewer shall be watertight at all points.

P2503.5 Drain, waste and vent systems testing. Rough-in and finished plumbing installations of drain, waste and vent systems shall be tested in accordance with Sections P2503.5.1 and P2503.5.2.

P2503.5.1 Rough plumbing. DWV systems shall be tested on completion of the rough piping installation by water or, for piping systems other than plastic, by air, without evidence of leakage. Either test shall be applied to the drainage system in its entirety or in sections after rough-in piping has been installed, as follows:

1. Water test. Each section shall be filled with water to a point not less than 1,525 mm (5 feet) above the highest fitting connection in that section, or to the highest point in the completed system. Water shall be held in the section under test for a period of 15 minutes. The system shall prove leak free by visual inspection.
2. Air test. The portion under test shall be maintained at a gauge pressure of 34 kPa [5 pounds per square inch (psi) or 255 mm (10 inches) of mercury column].

This pressure shall be held without introduction of additional air for a period of 15 minutes.

P2503.5.2 Finished plumbing. After the plumbing fixtures have been set and their traps filled with water, their connections shall be tested and proved gas tight or water-tight as follows:

1. Water tightness. Each fixture shall be filled and then drained. Traps and fixture connections shall be proven watertight by visual inspection.
2. Gas tightness. Where required by the local administrative authority, a final test for gas tightness of the DWV system shall be made by the smoke or peppermint test as follows:
 1. Smoke test. Introduce a pungent, thick smoke into the system. When the smoke appears at vent terminals, such terminals shall be sealed and a pressure equivalent to 249 Pa (a 1-inch water column) shall be applied and maintained for a test period of not less than 15 minutes.
 2. Peppermint test. Introduce 59 ml (2 ounces) of oil of peppermint into the system. Add 9464 mL (10 quarts) of hot water and seal the vent terminals. The odor of peppermint shall not be detected at any trap or other point in the system.

P2503.6 Shower liner test. Where shower floors and receptors are made watertight by the application of materials required by Section P2709.2, the completed liner installation shall be tested. The pipe from the shower drain shall be plugged watertight for the test. The floor and receptor area shall be filled with potable water to a depth of not less than 51 mm (2 inches) measured at the threshold. Where a threshold of not less than 51 mm (2 inches) in height does not exist, a temporary threshold shall be constructed to retain the test water in the lined floor or receptor area to a level not less than 51 mm (2 inches) in depth measured at the threshold. The water shall be retained for a test period of not less than 15 minutes and there shall not be evidence of leakage.

P2503.7 Water-supply system testing. Upon completion of the water-supply system or a section of it, the system or portion completed shall be tested and proved tight under a water pressure of not less than the working pressure of the system or, for piping systems other than plastic, by an air test of not less than 345 kPa (50 psi). This pressure shall be held for not less than 15 minutes. The water used for tests shall be obtained from a potable water source.

Exception: For PEX piping systems, testing with a compressed gas shall be an alternative to hydrostatic testing where compressed air or other gas pressure testing is specifically authorized by the manufacturer's instructions for the PEX pipe and fittings products installed at the time the system is being tested, and compressed air or other gas testing is not otherwise prohibited by applicable codes, laws or regulations outside of this code.

P2503.8 Inspection and testing of backflow prevention devices. Inspection and testing of backflow prevention devices shall comply with Sections P2503.8.1 and P2503.8.2.

P2503.8.1 Inspections. Inspections shall be made of backflow prevention assemblies to determine whether they are operable.

P2503.8.2 Testing. Reduced pressure principle, double check, double check detector and pressure vacuum breaker backflow preventer assemblies shall be tested at the time of installation, immediately after repairs or relocation and every year thereafter.

P2503.9 Test gauges. Gauges used for testing shall be as follows:

1. Tests requiring a pressure of 69 kPa (10 psi) or less shall utilize a testing gauge having increments of 0.69 kPa (0.10 psi) or less.
2. Tests requiring a pressure higher than 69 kPa (10 psi) but less than or equal to 690 kPa (100 psi) shall use a testing gauge having increments of 6.9 kPa (1 psi) or less.
3. Tests requiring a pressure higher than 690 kPa (100 psi) shall use a testing gauge having increments of 14 kPa (2 psi) or less.

CHAPTER 26

GENERAL PLUMBING REQUIREMENTS

User notes:

About this chapter: Chapter 26 contains general requirements that could apply to Chapters 26 through 33. Placing such requirements in only one location eliminates code development coordination issues associated with the same requirement in multiple locations. This chapter covers liquid waste disposal requirements, special installation provisions for flood hazard areas and requirements for third-party certification of materials and products that are required to comply with a referenced standard.

SECTION P2601 GENERAL

P2601.1 Scope. The provisions of this chapter shall govern the installation of plumbing not specifically covered in other chapters applicable to plumbing systems. The installation of plumbing, *appliances*, *equipment* and systems not addressed by this code shall comply with the applicable provisions of the *Jamaica Plumbing Code*.

P2601.2 Connections to drainage system. Plumbing fixtures, drains, appurtenances and *appliances* used to receive or discharge liquid wastes or sewage shall be directly connected to the sanitary drainage system of the building or premises, in accordance with the requirements of this code. This section shall not be construed to prevent indirect waste connections where required by the code.

Exception: Bathtubs, showers, lavatories, clothes washers and laundry trays shall not be required to discharge to the sanitary drainage system where such fixtures discharge to systems complying with Sections P2910 and P2911.

P2601.3 Flood hazard areas. In flood hazard areas as established by Table R301.2(1), plumbing fixtures, drains, and *appliances* shall be located or installed in accordance with Section R322.1.6.

SECTION P2602 INDIVIDUAL WATER SUPPLY AND SEWAGE DISPOSAL

P2602.1 General. The water-distribution system of any building or premises where plumbing fixtures are installed shall be connected to a public water supply. Where a public water-supply system is not available, or connection to the supply is not feasible, an individual water supply shall be provided. Individual water supplies shall be constructed and installed in accordance with the applicable state and local laws. Where such laws do not address the requirements set forth in NGWA-01, individual water supplies shall comply with NGWA-01 for those requirements not addressed by state and local laws.

Sanitary drainage piping from plumbing fixtures in buildings and sanitary drainage piping systems from premises shall be connected to a public sewer. Where a public sewer is not available, the sanitary drainage piping and systems shall be connected to a private sewage disposal system in compliance with state or local requirements. Where state or local requirements do not exist for private sewage disposal systems, the sanitary

drainage piping and systems shall be connected to an approved private sewage disposal system that is in accordance with the *Jamaica Private Sewage Disposal Code*.

Exception: Sanitary drainage piping and systems that convey only the discharge from bathtubs, showers, lavatories, clothes washers and laundry trays shall not be required to connect to a public sewer or to a private sewage disposal system provided that the piping or systems are connected to a system in accordance with Section P2910 or P2911.

P2602.2 Flood-resistant installation. In flood hazard areas as established by Table R301.2(1):

1. Water supply systems shall be designed and constructed to prevent infiltration of floodwaters.
2. Pipes for sewage disposal systems shall be designed and constructed to prevent infiltration of floodwaters into the systems and discharges from the systems into floodwaters.

SECTION P2603 STRUCTURAL AND PIPING PROTECTION

P2603.1 General. In the process of installing or repairing any part of a plumbing and drainage installation, the finished floors, walls, ceilings, tile work or any other part of the building or premises that shall be changed or replaced shall be left in a safe structural condition in accordance with the requirements of the building portion of this code.

P2603.2 Drilling and notching. Wood-framed structural members shall not be drilled, notched or altered in any manner except as provided in Sections R502.8, R602.6, R802.7 and R802.7.1. Holes in load-bearing members of cold-formed steel light-frame construction shall be made only in accordance with Sections R505.2.6, R603.2.6 and R804.2.6. In accordance with the provisions in Sections R505.3.5, R603.3.3 and R804.3.4, cutting and notching of flanges and lips of load-bearing members of cold-formed steel light-frame construction shall be prohibited. Structural insulated panels (SIPs) shall be drilled and notched or altered in accordance with the provisions of Section R613.7.

P2603.2.1 Protection against physical damage. In concealed locations, where piping, other than cast-iron or galvanized steel, is installed through holes or notches in studs, joists, rafters or similar members less than 32 mm (1¹/₄ inches) from the nearest edge of the member, the pipe shall be

protected by steel shield plates. Such shield plates shall have a thickness of not less than 1.463 mm (0.0575 inch) (No. 16 Gage). Such plates shall cover the area of the pipe where the member is notched or bored, and shall extend not less than 51 mm (2 inches) above sole plates and below top plates.

P2603.3 Protection against corrosion. Metallic piping, except for cast iron, ductile iron and galvanized steel, shall not be placed in direct contact with steel framing members, concrete or masonry. Metallic piping shall not be placed in direct contact with corrosive soil. Where sheathing is used to prevent direct contact, the sheathing material thickness shall be not less than 0.203 mm (0.008 inch) (8 mil) and shall be made of plastic. Where sheathing protects piping that penetrates concrete or masonry walls or floors, the sheathing shall be installed in a manner that allows movement of the piping within the sheathing.

P2603.4 Pipes through foundation walls. A pipe that passes through a foundation wall shall be provided with a relieving arch, or a pipe sleeve shall be built into the foundation wall. The sleeve shall be two pipe sizes greater than the pipe passing through the wall.

P2603.5 Freezing. In localities having a winter design temperature of 0 °C (32°F) or lower as shown in Table R301.2(1) of this code, a water, soil or waste pipe shall not be installed outside of a building, in exterior walls, in *attics* or crawl spaces, or in any other place subjected to freezing temperature unless adequate provision is made to protect it from freezing by insulation or heat or both. Water service pipe shall be installed not less than 305 mm (12 inches) deep and not less than 150 mm (6 inches) below the frost line.

P2603.5.1 Sewer depth. *Building sewers* that connect to private sewage disposal systems shall be not less than [NUMBER] MILLIMETRES (inches) below finished grade at the point of septic tank connection. *Building sewers* shall be not less than [NUMBER] millimetres (inches) below grade.

SECTION P2604 TRENCHING AND BACKFILLING

P2604.1 Trenching and bedding. Where trenches are excavated such that the bottom of the trench forms the bed for the pipe, solid and continuous load-bearing support shall be provided between joints. Where over-excavated, the trench shall be backfilled to the proper grade with compacted earth, sand, fine gravel or similar granular material. Piping shall not be supported on rocks or blocks at any point. Rocky or unstable soil shall be over-excavated by two or more pipe diameters and brought to the proper grade with suitable compacted granular material.

P2604.2 Water service and building sewer in same trench. Where the water service piping and *building sewer* piping is installed in same trench, the installation shall be in accordance with Section P2906.4.1.

P2604.3 Backfilling. Backfill shall be free from discarded construction material and debris. Backfill shall be free from rocks, broken concrete and frozen chunks until the pipe is covered by

not less than 305 mm (12 inches) of tamped earth. Backfill shall be placed evenly on both sides of the pipe and tamped to retain proper alignment. Loose earth shall be carefully placed in the trench in 150 mm (6-inch) layers and tamped in place.

P2604.4 Protection of footings. Trenching installed parallel to footings and walls shall not extend into the bearing plane of a footing or wall. The upper boundary of the bearing plane is a line that extends downward, at an angle of 45 degrees (0.79 rad) from horizontal, from the outside bottom edge of the footing or wall.

SECTION P2605 SUPPORT

P2605.1 General. Piping shall be supported in accordance with the following:

1. Piping shall be supported to ensure alignment and prevent sagging, and allow movement associated with the expansion and contraction of the piping system.
2. Piping in the ground shall be laid on a firm bed for its entire length, except where support is otherwise provided.
3. Hangers and anchors shall be of sufficient strength to maintain their proportional share of the weight of pipe and contents and of sufficient width to prevent distortion to the pipe. Hangers and strapping shall be of *approved* material that will not promote galvanic action.
4. Where horizontal pipes 100 mm (4 inches) and larger convey drainage or waste, and where a pipe fitting changes the flow direction greater than 45 degrees (0.79 rad), rigid bracing or other rigid support arrangements shall be installed to resist movement of the upstream pipe in the direction of flow. A change of flow direction into a vertical pipe shall not require the upstream pipe to be braced.
5. Piping shall be supported at distances not to exceed those indicated in Table P2605.1.

SECTION P2606 PENETRATIONS

P2606.1 Sealing of annular spaces. The annular space between the outside of a pipe and the inside of a pipe sleeve or between the outside of a pipe and an opening in a building envelope wall, floor, or ceiling assembly penetrated by a pipe shall be sealed with caulking material or foam sealant or closed with a gasketing system. The caulking material, foam sealant or gasketing system shall be designed for the conditions at the penetration location and shall be compatible with the pipe, sleeve and building materials in contact with the sealing materials. Annular spaces created by pipes penetrating fire-resistance-rated assemblies or membranes of such assemblies shall be sealed or closed in accordance with the building portion of this code.

**TABLE P2605.1
PIPING SUPPORT**

PIPING MATERIAL	MAXIMUM HORIZONTAL SPACING (metres)	MAXIMUM VERTICAL SPACING (metres)
ABS pipe	1.219	3.050 ^b
Aluminum tubing	3.050	4.572
Cast-iron pipe	1.525 ^a	4.572
Copper or copper-alloy pipe	3.658	3.050
Copper or copper-alloy tubing (32 mm in diameter and smaller)	1.830	3.050
Copper or copper-alloy tubing (38 mm in diameter and larger)	3.050	3.050
Cross-linked polyethylene (PEX) pipe, 25 mm and smaller	0.813	3,050 ^b
Cross-linked polyethylene (PEX) pipe, 32 mm and larger	1.219	3.050 ^b
Cross-linked polyethylene/aluminum/cross-linked polyethylene (PEX-AL-PEX) pipe	0.813	1.219 ^b
CPVC pipe or tubing (25 mm in diameter and smaller)	0.914	3.050 ^b
CPVC pipe or tubing (32 mm in diameter and larger)	1.219	3.050 ^b
Lead pipe	Continuous	1.219
PB pipe or tubing	0.813	1.219
Polyethylene of raised temperature (PE-RT) pipe, 25 mm and smaller	0.813	3.050 ^b
Polyethylene of raised temperature (PE-RT) pipe, 32 mm and larger	1.219	3.050 ^b
Polypropylene (PP) pipe or tubing (25 mm and smaller)	0.813	3.050 ^b
Polypropylene (PP) pipe or tubing (32 mm and larger)	1.219	3.050 ^b
PVC pipe	1.219	3.050 ^b
Stainless steel drainage systems	3.050	3.050 ^b
Steel pipe	3.658	4.572

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot.

1. The maximum horizontal spacing of cast-iron pipe hangers shall be increased to 3,050 mm where 3.050 mm lengths of pipe are installed.
2. For sizes 51 mm and smaller, a guide shall be installed midway between required vertical supports. Such guides shall prevent pipe movement in a direction perpendicular to the axis of the pipe.

**SECTION P2607
WATERPROOFING OF OPENINGS**

P2607.1 Pipes penetrating roofs. Where a pipe penetrates a roof, a flashing of lead, copper, galvanized steel or an *approved* elastomeric material shall be installed in a manner that prevents water entry into the building. Counterflashing into the opening of pipe serving as a vent terminal shall not reduce the required internal cross-sectional area of the vent pipe to less than the internal cross-sectional area of one pipe size smaller.

P2607.2 Pipes penetrating exterior walls. Where a pipe penetrates an exterior wall, a waterproof seal shall be made on the exterior of the wall by one of the following methods:

1. A waterproof sealant applied at the joint between the wall and the pipe.
2. A flashing of an *approved* elastomeric material.

**SECTION P2608
WORKMANSHIP**

P2608.1 General. Valves, pipes and fittings shall be installed in correct relationship to the direction of the flow. Burred ends shall be reamed to the full bore of the pipe.

**SECTION P2609
MATERIALS EVALUATION AND LISTING**

P2609.1 Identification. Each length of pipe and each pipe fitting, trap, fixture, material and device utilized in a plumbing system shall bear the identification of the manufacturer and any markings required by the applicable referenced standards. Nipples created from the cutting and threading of *approved* pipe shall not be required to be identified.

Exception: Where the manufacturer identification cannot be marked on pipe fittings and pipe nipples because of the small size of such fittings, the identification shall be printed on the item packaging or on documentation provided with the item.

P2609.2 Installation of materials. Materials used shall be installed in strict accordance with the standards under which the materials are accepted and *approved*. In the absence of such installation procedures, the manufacturer’s instructions shall be followed. Where the requirements of referenced standards or manufacturer’s instructions do not conform to the minimum provisions of this code, the provisions of this code shall apply.

P2609.3 Plastic pipe, fittings and components. Plastic pipe, fittings and components shall be third-party certified as conforming to NSF 14.

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P2609.4 Third-party certification. Plumbing products and materials required by the code to be in compliance with a referenced standard shall be *listed* by a third-party certification agency as complying with the referenced standards. Products and materials shall be identified in accordance with Section P2609.1.

P2609.5 Water supply systems. Water service pipes, water distribution pipes and the necessary connecting pipes, fittings, control valves, faucets and appurtenances used to dispense water intended for human ingestion shall be evaluated and *listed* as conforming to the requirements of NSF 61.

CHAPTER 27

PLUMBING FIXTURES

User notes:

About this code: Because fixture design and quality are paramount to ensure that plumbing fixtures operate properly, Chapter 27 specifies numerous product and material standards for plumbing fixtures. Regulations for locating plumbing fixtures and constructing field-built shower receptors are provided.

SECTION P2701 FIXTURES, FAUCETS AND FIXTURE FITTINGS

P2701.1 Quality of fixtures. Plumbing fixtures, faucets and fixture fittings shall have smooth impervious surfaces, shall be free from defects, shall not have concealed fouling surfaces, and shall conform to the standards indicated in Table P2701.1 and elsewhere in this code.

SECTION P2702 FIXTURE ACCESSORIES

P2702.1 Plumbing fixtures. Plumbing fixtures, other than water closets, shall be provided with *approved* strainers.

Exception: Hub drains receiving only clear water waste and standpipes shall not require strainers.

P2702.2 Waste fittings. Waste fittings shall conform to ASME A112.18.2/CSA B125.2, ASTM F409 or shall be made from pipe and pipe fittings complying with any of the standards indicated in Tables P3002.1(1) and P3002.3.

P2702.3 Plastic tubular fittings. Plastic tubular fittings shall conform to ASTM F409 as indicated in Table P2701.1.

P2702.4 Carriers for wall-hung water closets. Carriers for wall-hung water closets shall conform to ASME A112.6.2.

SECTION P2703 TAIL PIECES

P2703.1 Minimum size. Fixture tail pieces shall be not less than 38 mm (1½ inches) in diameter for sinks, dishwashers, laundry tubs, bathtubs and similar fixtures, and not less than 32 mm (1¼ inches) in diameter for bidets, lavatories and similar fixtures.

SECTION P2704 SLIP-JOINT CONNECTIONS

P2704.1 Slip joints. Slip-joint connections shall be installed only for tubular waste piping and only between the trap outlet of a fixture and the connection to the drainage piping. Slip-joint connections shall be made with an *approved* elastomeric sealing gasket. Slip-joint connections shall be accessible. Such access shall provide an opening that is not less than 305 mm (12 inches) in its smallest dimension.

SECTION P2705 INSTALLATION

P2705.1 General. The installation of fixtures shall conform to the following:

1. Floor-outlet or floor-mounted fixtures shall be secured to the drainage connection and to the floor, where so designed, by screws, bolts, washers, nuts and similar fasteners of copper, copper alloy or other corrosion-resistant material.
2. Wall-hung fixtures shall be rigidly supported so that strain is not transmitted to the plumbing system.
3. Where fixtures come in contact with walls and floors, the contact area shall be watertight.
4. Plumbing fixtures shall be usable.
5. Water closets, lavatories and bidets. A water closet, lavatory or bidet shall not be set closer than 380 mm (15 inches) from its center to any side wall, partition or vanity or closer than 760 mm (30 inches) center-to-center between adjacent fixtures. There shall be a clearance of not less than 535 mm (21 inches) in front of a water closet, lavatory or bidet to any wall, fixture or door.
6. The location of piping, fixtures or equipment shall not interfere with the operation of windows or doors.
7. In flood hazard areas as established by Table R301.2(1), plumbing fixtures shall be located or installed in accordance with Section R322.1.6.
8. Integral fixture-fitting mounting surfaces on manufactured plumbing fixtures or plumbing fixtures constructed on site, shall meet the design requirements of ASME A112.19.2/CSA B45.1 or ASME A112.19.3/CSA B45.4.

SECTION P2706 WASTE RECEPTORS

P2706.1 General. For other than hub drains that receive only clear-water waste and standpipes, a removable strainer or basket shall cover the waste outlet of waste receptors. Waste receptors shall not be installed in concealed spaces. Waste receptors shall not be installed in plenums, attics, crawl spaces or interstitial spaces above ceilings and below floors.

Waste receptors shall be *readily accessible*.

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**TABLE P2701.1
PLUMBING FIXTURES, FAUCETS AND FIXTURE FITTINGS**

MATERIAL	STANDARD
Air gap fittings for use with plumbing fixtures, appliances and appurtenances	ASME A112.1.3
Bathtub/whirlpool pressure-sealed doors	ASME A112.19.15
Diverters for faucets with hose spray, anti-syphon type, residential application	ASTM A112.18.1/CSA B125.1
Enameled cast-iron plumbing fixtures	ASME A112.19.1M/CSA B45.2
Floor drains	ASME A112.6.3
Framing-affixed supports for off-the-floor water closets with concealed tanks	ASME A112.6.2
Hose connection vacuum breaker	ASSE 1052
Hot water dispensers, household storage type, electrical	ASSE 1023
Household disposers	ASSE 1008
Hydraulic performance for water closets and urinals	ASME A112.19.2/CSA B45.1
Individual automatic compensating valves for individual fixture fittings	ASME A112.18.1/CSA B125.1
Individual shower control valves anti-scald	ASSE 1016/ASME A112.1016/CSA B125.16
Macerating toilet systems and related components	ASME A112.3.4/CSA B45.9
Nonvitreous ceramic plumbing fixtures	ASME A112.19.2/CSA B45.1
Plastic bathtub units	CSA B45.5/IAPMO Z124, ASME A112.19.2/CSA B45.1
Plastic lavatories	CSA B45.5/IAPMO Z124
Plastic shower receptors and shower stall	CSA B45.5/IAPMO Z124
Plastic sinks	CSA B45.5/IAPMO Z124
Plastic water closet bowls and tanks	CSA B45.5/IAPMO Z124
Plumbing fixture fittings	ASME A112.18.1/CSA B125.1
Plumbing fixture waste fittings	ASME A112.18.2/CSA B125.2, ASTM F409
Porcelain-enameled formed steel plumbing fixtures	ASME A112.19.1/CSA B45.2
Pressurized flushing devices for plumbing fixtures	ASSE 1037, CSA B125.3
Specification for copper sheet and strip for building construction	ASTM B370
Stainless steel plumbing fixtures	ASME A112.19.3/CSA B45.4
Suction fittings for use in whirlpool bathtub appliances	ASME A112.19.7 /CSA B45.10
Temperature-actuated, flow reduction valves to individual fixture fittings	ASSE 1062
Thermoplastic accessible and replaceable plastic tube and tubular fittings	ASTM F409
Trench drains	ASME A112.6.3
Trim for water closet bowls, tanks and urinals	ASME A112.19.5/CSA B45.15
Vacuum breaker wall hydrant-frost-resistant, automatic-draining type	ASSE 1019
Vitreous china plumbing fixtures	ASME A112.19.2/CSA B45.1
Wall-mounted and pedestal-mounted, adjustable and pivoting lavatory and sink carrier systems	ASME A112.19.12
Water closet flush tank fill valves	ASSE 1002/ASME A112.1002/CSA B125.12, CSA B125.3
Whirlpool bathtub appliances	ASME A112.19.7 /CSA B45.10

P2706.1.1 Hub drains. Hub drains shall be in the form of a hub or a pipe that extends not less than 25 mm (1 inch) above a water-impervious floor.

P2706.1.2 Standpipes. Standpipes shall extend not less than 455 mm (18 inches) and not greater than 1,066 mm (42 inches) above the trap weir.

P2706.1.2.1 Laundry tray connection to standpipe.

Where a laundry tray waste line connects into a standpipe for an automatic clothes washer drain, the standpipe shall extend not less than 760 mm (30 inches) above the standpipe trap weir and shall extend above the flood level rim of the laundry tray. The outlet of the laundry tray shall not be greater than 760 mm (30 inches) horizontally from the standpipe trap.

P2706.2 Prohibited waste receptors. Plumbing fixtures that are used for washing or bathing shall not be used to receive the discharge of indirect waste piping.

Exceptions:

1. A kitchen sink trap is acceptable for use as a receptor for a dishwasher.
2. A laundry tray is acceptable for use as a receptor for a clothes washing machine.

**SECTION P2707
DIRECTIONAL FITTINGS**

P2707.1 Directional fitting required. *Approved* directional-type branch fittings shall be installed in fixture tailpieces receiving the discharge from food-waste disposer units or dishwashers.

**SECTION P2708
SHOWERS**

P2708.1 General. Shower compartments shall have not less than 0.6 m² (900 square inches) of interior cross-sectional area. Shower compartments shall be not less than 760 mm (30 inches) in minimum dimension measured from the finished interior dimension of the shower compartment, exclusive of fixture valves, shower heads, soap dishes, and safety grab bars or rails. The minimum required area and dimension shall be measured from the finished interior dimension at a height equal to the top of the threshold and at a point tangent to its centerline and shall be continued to a height of not less than 1,780 mm (70 inches) above the shower drain outlet. Hinged shower doors shall open outward. The wall area above built-in tubs having installed shower heads and in shower compartments shall be constructed in accordance with Section R702.4. Such walls shall form a water-tight joint with each other and with either the tub, receptor or shower floor.

Exceptions:

1. Fold-down seats shall be permitted in the shower, provided that the required 0.6 m² (900-square-inch) dimension is maintained when the seat is in the folded-up position.
2. Shower compartments having not less than 635 mm (25 inches) in minimum dimension measured

from the finished interior dimension of the compartment provided that the shower compartment has a cross-sectional area of not less than 0.838 m² (1,300 square inches).

P2708.1.1 Access. The shower compartment access and egress opening shall have a clear and unobstructed finished width of not less than 560 mm (22 inches).

P2708.2 Shower drain. Shower drains shall have an outlet size of not less than 38 mm (1½ inches) in diameter.

P2708.3 Water supply riser. Water supply risers from the shower valve to the shower head outlet, whether exposed or concealed, shall be attached to the structure using support devices designed for use with the specific piping material or fittings anchored with screws.

P2708.4 Shower control valves. Individual shower and tub/shower combination valves shall be equipped with control valves of the pressure-balance, thermostatic-mixing or combination pressure-balance/thermostatic-mixing valve types with a high limit stop in accordance with ASSE 1016/ASME A112.1016/CSA B125.16. The high limit stop shall be set to limit the water temperature to not greater than 49°C (120°F). In-line thermostatic valves shall not be used for compliance with this section.

P2708.5 Hand showers. Hand-held showers shall conform to ASME A112.18.1/CSA B125.1. Hand-held showers shall provide backflow protection in accordance with ASME A112.18.1/CSA B125.1 or shall be protected against backflow by a device complying with ASME A112.18.3.

**SECTION P2709 SHOWER
RECEPTORS**

P2709.1 Construction. Where a shower receptor has a finished curb threshold, it shall be not less than 25 mm (1 inch) below the sides and back of the receptor. The curb shall be not less than 51 mm (2 inches) and not more than 230 mm (9 inches) deep when measured from the top of the curb to the top of the drain. The finished floor shall slope uniformly toward the drain not less than ¼ unit vertical in 12 units horizontal (2-percent slope) nor more than ½ unit vertical per 12 units horizontal (4-percent slope) and floor drains shall be flanged to provide a water-tight joint in the floor.

P2709.2 Lining required. The adjoining walls and floor framing enclosing on-site built-up shower receptors shall be lined with one of the following materials:

1. Sheet lead.
2. Sheet copper.
3. Plastic liner material that complies with ASTM D4068 or ASTM D4551.
4. Hot mopping in accordance with Section P2709.2.3.
5. Sheet-applied load-bearing, bonded waterproof membranes that comply with ANSI A118.10.

The lining material shall extend not less than 51 mm (2 inches) beyond or around the rough jambs and not less than 51 mm (2 inches) above finished thresholds. Sheet-applied

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load

bearing, bonded waterproof membranes shall be applied in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

P2709.2.1 PVC sheets. Plasticized polyvinyl chloride (PVC) sheet shall meet the requirements of ASTM D4551. Sheets shall be joined by solvent welding in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

P2709.2.2 Chlorinated polyethylene (CPE) sheets. Non-plasticized chlorinated polyethylene sheet shall meet the requirements of ASTM D4068. The liner shall be joined in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

P2709.2.3 Hot-mopping. Shower receptors lined by hot mopping shall be built-up with not less than three layers of standard grade Type 15 asphalt-impregnated roofing felt. The bottom layer shall be fitted to the formed subbase and each succeeding layer thoroughly hot-mopped to that below. Corners shall be carefully fitted and shall be made strong and watertight by folding or lapping, and each corner shall be reinforced with suitable webbing hot-mopped in place. Folds, laps and reinforcing webbing shall extend not less than 100 mm (4 inches) in all directions from the corner and webbing shall be of *approved* type and mesh, producing a tensile strength of not less than 893 kg/m (50 pounds per inch) in either direction.

P2709.2.4 Liquid-type, trowel-applied, load-bearing, bonded waterproof materials. Liquid-type, trowel-applied, load-bearing, bonded waterproof materials shall meet the requirements of ANSI A118.10 and shall be applied in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

P2709.3 Installation. Lining materials shall be sloped one-fourth unit vertical in 12 units horizontal (2-percent slope) to weep holes in the subdrain by means of a smooth, solidly formed subbase, shall be properly recessed and fastened to *approved* backing so as not to occupy the space required for the wall covering, and shall not be nailed or perforated at any point less than 25 mm (1 inch) above the finished threshold.

P2709.3.1 Materials. Lead and copper linings shall be insulated from conducting substances other than the connecting drain by 6.80 kg (15-pound) asphalt felt or its equivalent. Sheet lead liners shall weigh not less than 19.5 kg/m² (4 pounds per square foot). Sheet copper liners shall weigh not less than 3.7 kg/m² (12 ounces per square foot). Joints in lead and copper pans or liners shall be burned or silver brazed, respectively. Joints in plastic liner materials shall be joined in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

P2709.4 Receptor drains. An *approved* flanged drain shall be installed with shower subpans or linings. The flange shall be placed flush with the subbase and be equipped with a clamping ring or other device to make a water-tight connection between the lining and the drain. The flange shall have weep holes into the drain.

SECTION P2710 SHOWER WALLS

P2710.1 Bathtub and shower spaces. Walls in shower compartments and walls above bathtubs that have a wall-mounted showerhead shall be finished in accordance with Section R307.2.

SECTION P2711 LAVATORIES

P2711.1 Approval. Lavatories shall conform to ASME A112.19.1/CSA B45.2, ASME A112.19.2/CSA B45.1, ASME A112.19.3/CSA B45.4 or CSA B45.5/IAPMO Z124.

P2711.2 Cultured marble lavatories. Cultured marble vanity tops with an integral lavatory shall conform to CSA B45.5/IAPMO Z124.

P2711.3 Lavatory waste outlets. Lavatories shall have waste outlets not less than 32 mm (1¹/₄ inch) in diameter. A strainer, pop-up stopper, crossbar or other device shall be provided to restrict the clear opening of the waste outlet.

P2711.4 Movable lavatory systems. Movable lavatory systems shall comply with ASME A112.19.12.

SECTION P2712 WATER CLOSETS

P2712.1 Approval. Water closets shall conform to the water consumption requirements of Section P2903.2 and shall conform to ASME A112.19.2/CSA B45.1, ASME A112.19.3/CSA B45.4 or CSA B45.5/IAPMO Z124. Water closets shall conform to the hydraulic performance requirements of ASME A112.19.2/CSA B45.1. Water closet tanks shall conform to ASME A112.19.2/CSA B45.1, ASME A112.19.3/CSA B45.4 or CSA B45.5/IAPMO Z124. Water closets that have an invisible seal and unventilated space or walls that are not thoroughly washed at each discharge shall be prohibited. Water closets that allow backflow of the contents of the bowl into the flush tank shall be prohibited. Water closets equipped with a dual flushing device shall comply with ASME A112.19.14.

P2712.2 Flushing devices required. Water closets shall be provided with a flush tank, flushometer tank or flushometer valve designed and installed to supply water in sufficient quantity and flow to flush the contents of the fixture, to cleanse the fixture and refill the fixture trap in accordance with ASME A112.19.2/CSA B45.1.

P2712.3 Water supply for flushing devices. An adequate quantity of water shall be provided to flush and clean the fixture served. The water supply to flushing devices equipped for manual flushing shall be controlled by a float valve or other automatic device designed to refill the tank after each discharge and to completely shut off the water flow to the tank when the tank is filled to operational capacity. Provision shall be made to automatically supply water to the fixture so as to refill the trap after each flushing.

P2712.4 Flush valves in flush tanks. Flush valve seats in tanks for flushing water closets shall be not less than 25 mm (1 inch) above the flood-level rim of the bowl connected thereto, except an *approved* water closet and flush tank combination designed so that when the tank is flushed and the fixture is clogged or partially clogged, the flush valve will close tightly so that water will not spill continuously over the rim of the bowl or backflow from the bowl to the tank.

P2712.5 Overflows in flush tanks. Flush tanks shall be provided with overflows discharging to the water closet connected thereto and such overflow shall be of sufficient size to prevent flooding the tank at the maximum rate at which the tanks are supplied with water according to the manufacturer's design conditions.

P2712.6 Access. Parts in a flush tank shall be accessible for repair and replacement.

P2712.7 Water closet seats. Water closets shall be equipped with seats of smooth, nonabsorbent material and shall be properly sized for the water closet bowl type.

P2712.8 Flush tank lining. Sheet copper used for flush tank linings shall have a weight of not less than 3 kg/m² (10 ounces per square foot).

P2712.9 Electro-hydraulic water closets. Electro-hydraulic water closets shall conform to ASME A112.19.2/CSA B45.1.

SECTION P2713 BATHTUBS

P2713.1 Bathtub waste outlets and overflows. Bathtubs shall be equipped with a waste outlet that is not less than 38 mm (1½ inches) in diameter. The waste outlet shall be equipped with a water-tight stopper. Where an overflow is installed, the overflow shall be not less than 38 mm (1½ inches) in diameter.

P2713.2 Bathtub enclosures. Doors within a bathtub enclosure shall conform to ASME A112.19.15.

P2713.3 Bathtub and whirlpool bathtub valves. Hot water supplied to bathtubs and whirlpool bathtubs shall be limited to a temperature of not greater than 49°C (120°F) by a water-temperature limiting device that conforms to ASSE 1070/ASME A112.1070/CSA B125.70 or CSA B125.3, except where such protection is otherwise provided by a combination tub/shower valve in accordance with Section P2708.4.

SECTION P2714 SINKS

P2714.1 Sink waste outlets. Sinks shall be provided with waste outlets not less than 38 mm (1½ inches) in diameter. A strainer, crossbar or other device shall be provided to restrict the clear opening of the waste outlet.

P2714.2 Movable sink systems. Movable sink systems shall comply with ASME A112.19.12.

SECTION P2715 LAUNDRY TUBS

P2715.1 Laundry tub waste outlet. Each compartment of a laundry tub shall be provided with a waste outlet not less than 38 mm (1½ inches) in diameter. A strainer or crossbar shall restrict the clear opening of the waste outlet.

SECTION P2716 FOOD- WASTE DISPOSER

P2716.1 Food-waste disposer waste outlets. Food-waste disposers shall be connected to a drain of not less than 38 mm (1½ inches) in diameter.

P2716.2 Water supply required. A sink equipped with a food-waste disposer shall be provided with a faucet.

SECTION P2717 DISHWASHING MACHINES

P2717.1 Protection of water supply. The water supply to a dishwasher shall be protected against backflow by an *air gap* complying with ASME A112.1.3 or A112.1.2 that is installed integrally within the machine or a backflow preventer in accordance with Section P2902.

P2717.2 Sink and dishwasher. The combined discharge from a dishwasher and a one- or two-compartment sink, with or without a food-waste disposer, shall be served by a trap of not less than 38 mm (1½ inches) in outside diameter. The dishwasher discharge pipe or tubing shall rise to the underside of the counter and be fastened or otherwise held in that position before connecting to the head of the food-waste disposer or to a wye fitting in the sink tailpiece.

SECTION P2718 CLOTHES WASHING MACHINE

P2718.1 Waste connection. The discharge from a clothes washing machine shall be through an *air break*.

SECTION P2719 FLOOR DRAINS

P2719.1 Floor drains. Floor drains shall have waste outlets not less than 51 mm (2 inches) in diameter and a removable strainer. Floor drains shall be constructed so that the drain can be cleaned. Access shall be provided to the drain inlet. Floor drains shall not be located under or have their access restricted by permanently installed appliances.

SECTION P2720 WHIRLPOOL BATHTUBS

P2720.1 Access to pump. Access shall be provided to circulation pumps in accordance with the fixture or pump manufacturer's installation instructions. Where the manufacturer's instructions do not specify the location and minimum size of field-fabricated access openings, an opening of not less than 305 mm by 305 mm (12 inches by 12 inches) shall be

installed for access to the circulation pump. Where pumps are located more than 610 mm (2 feet) from the access opening, an opening of not less than 455 mm by 455 mm (18 inches by 18 inches) shall be installed. A door or panel shall be permitted to close the opening. The access opening shall be unobstructed and be of the size necessary to permit the removal and replacement of the circulation pump.

P2720.2 Piping drainage. The circulation pump shall be accessibly located above the crown weir of the trap. The pump drain line shall be properly graded to ensure minimum water retention in the volute after fixture use. The circulation piping shall be installed to be self-draining.

P2720.3 Leak testing. Leak testing and pump operation shall be performed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

P2720.4 Manufacturer's instructions. The product shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

SECTION P2721 BIDET INSTALLATIONS

P2721.1 Water supply. The bidet shall be equipped with either an air-gap-type or vacuum-breaker-type fixture supply fitting.

P2721.2 Bidet water temperature. The discharge water temperature from a bidet fitting shall be limited to not greater than 43°C (110°F) by a water-temperature-limiting device conforming to ASSE 1070/ASME A112.1070/CSA B125.70 or CSA B125.3.

SECTION P2722 FIXTURE FITTING

P2722.1 General. Fixture supply valves and faucets shall comply with ASME A112.18.1/CSA B125.1 as indicated in Table P2701.1. Faucets and fixture fittings that supply drinking water for human ingestion shall conform to the requirements of NSF 61, Section 9. Flexible water connectors shall conform to the requirements of Section P2906.7.

P2722.2 Hot water. Fixture fittings supplied with both hot and cold water shall be installed and adjusted so that the left-hand side of the water temperature control represents the flow of hot water when facing the outlet.

Exception: Shower and tub/shower mixing valves conforming to ASSE 1016/ASME A112.1016/CSA B125.16, where the water temperature control corresponds to the markings on the device.

P2722.3 Hose-connected outlets. Faucets and fixture fittings with hose-connected outlets shall conform to ASME A112.18.3 or ASME A112.18.1/CSA B125.1.

P2722.4 Individual pressure-balancing in-line valves for individual fixture fittings. Individual pressure-balancing in-line valves for individual fixture fittings shall comply with ASSE 1066. Such valves shall be installed in an accessible location and shall not be used as a substitute for the balanced

pressure, thermostatic or combination shower valves required in Section P2708.4.

P2722.5 Water closet personal hygiene devices. Personal hygiene devices integral to water closets or water closet seats shall conform to ASME A112.4.2/CSA B45.16.

SECTION P2723 MACERATING TOILET SYSTEMS

P2723.1 General. Macerating toilet systems shall be installed in accordance with manufacturer's instructions.

P2723.2 Drain. The size of the drain from the macerating toilet system shall be not less than 19 mm (³/₄ inch) in diameter.

SECTION P2724 SPECIALTY TEMPERATURE CONTROL DEVICES AND VALVES

P2724.1 Temperature-actuated mixing valves. Temperature-actuated mixing valves, which are installed to reduce water temperatures to defined limits, shall comply with ASSE 1017. Such valves shall be installed at the hot water source.

P2724.2 Temperature-actuated, flow-reduction devices for individual fixtures. Temperature-actuated, flow-reduction devices, where installed for individual fixture fittings, shall conform to ASSE 1062. Such valves shall not be used as a substitute for the balanced pressure, thermostatic or combination shower valves required for showers in Section P2708.4.

SECTION P2725 NONLIQUID SATURATED TREATMENT SYSTEMS

P2725.1 General. Materials, design, construction and performance of nonliquid saturated treatment systems shall comply with NSF 41.

CHAPTER 27A

SEWAGE DISPOSAL SYSTEMS

User notes:

About this chapter: Chapter 27A contains general regulations concerning the health, safety and construction requirements of sewage disposal systems. The systems allowed in urban areas (areas of high or medium population density) must utilize water while that of rural areas (areas of low or very low population density) may utilize water or be of the dry type. This chapter also covers the basic construction approaches for an effective system as well as the best location for siting each disposal system allowed.

SECTION 27A301 GENERAL

27A301.1 Scope. The provisions of this section shall govern the general regulations of *private sewage disposal systems*, including specific limitations and *flood hazard areas*.

27A301.2 Definitions. The following are definitions that are not included in Chapter 2 of this code which will enable users to fully understand this chapter.

AGGREGATE. Graded hard rock that has been washed with water under pressure over a screen during or after grading to remove fine material including dirt and with a hardness value of 3 or greater on Mohs' Scale of Hardness. Aggregate that will scratch a copper penny without leaving any residual rock material on the coin has a hardness value of 3 or greater on Mohs' Scale of Hardness.

ALLUVIUM. Soil deposited by floodwaters.

BEDROCK. The rock that underlies soil material or is located at the earth's surface. Bedrock is encountered when the weathered in-place consolidated material, larger than 2 mm (0.08 inch) in size, is more than 50 percent by volume.

CESSPOOL/SEWER PIT. A covered excavation in the ground receiving sewage or other organic wastes from a drainage system that is designed to retain the organic matter and solids, permitting the liquids to seep into the soil cavities.

CLEAR-WATER WASTES. Cooling water and condensate drainage from refrigeration compressors and air-conditioning equipment, water used for equipment chilling purposes, liquid having no impurities or where impurities have been reduced below a minimum concentration considered harmful, and cooled condensate from steam-heating systems or other equipment.

CODE OFFICIAL/BUILDING OFFICIAL. The officer or other designated authority charged with administration and enforcement of this code or a duly authorized representative.

COLLUVIUM. Soil transported under the influence of gravity.

COLOR. The moist color of the soil based on Munsell soil color charts.

COMMUNITY SEWAGE SYSTEMS. A sewage system that serves a housing scheme or campus with a number of detached single or duplex family houses under 300 m² or a number of building of the same or multi-occupancy status which are:

1. Either on a lot size that is too small to accommodate an onsite sewage system; or
2. The soil does not allow for onsite sewage system.

CONVENTIONAL SOIL ABSORPTION SYSTEM. A system employing gravity flow from the septic or other treatment tank and applying effluent to the soil through the use of a *seepage trench*, bed or pit.

DEEP RURAL AREAS. RURAL. The countryside areas of Jamaica that:

1. Are not classified or zoned as urban
2. Buildings are sparse and in most cases are at least 153 m (500 feet) apart.

DESIGN FLOOD ELEVATION. The elevation of the "design flood," including wave height, relative to the datum specified on the community's legally designated flood hazard map. In areas designated as Zone AO, the *design flood elevation* shall be the elevation of the highest existing grade of the *building's* perimeter plus the depth number (in feet) specified on the flood hazard map. In areas designated as Zone AO where a depth number is not specified on the map, the depth number shall be taken as being equal to 610 mm (2 feet).

DETAILED SOIL MAP. A map prepared for a parish, part thereof or construction site by the Mines and Geology Department or a licensed geotechnical company showing soil series, type and phases at a scale of not more than 24 m/mm (2,000 feet to the inch) and which includes related explanatory information.

DOSING SOIL ABSORPTION SYSTEM. A system employing a pump or automatic siphon to elevate or distribute effluent to the soil through the use of a *seepage trench* or bed.

EFFLUENT. Liquid discharged from a septic or other treatment tank.

FLOOD HAZARD AREA. The greater of the following two areas:

1. The area within a flood plain subject to a 1-percent or greater chance of flooding in any given year.
2. The area designated as a flood hazard area on a community's or parish flood hazard map or as otherwise legally designated.

HIGH GROUND WATER. Soil saturation zones, including perched water tables, shallow regional ground water tables or aquifers, or zones seasonally, periodically or permanently saturated.

HOLDING TANK. An approved water-tight receptacle for collecting and holding sewage.

HORIZONTAL REFERENCE POINT. A stationary, easily identifiable point to which horizontal dimensions are related.

LEGAL DESCRIPTION. An accurate metes and bounds description, a lot and block number in a recorded subdivision, a recorded assessor's plat or a public land survey description to the nearest 16 ha (40 acres).

MANHOLE. An opening of sufficient size to permit a person to gain access to a sewer system piping, septic tank or pit, underground pumping system or any portion of a *private sewage disposal system*.

MOBILE UNIT. A structure of vehicular, portable design, built on a chassis and designed to be moved from one site to another and to be used with or without a permanent foundation.

MOBILE UNIT PARK. Any plot or plots of ground owned by a person or local or central government upon which two or more units, occupied for dwelling or sleeping purposes regardless of mobile unit ownership, are located and whether or not a charge is made for such accommodation.

NUISANCE. Public nuisance as known in common law or equity jurisprudence; whatever is dangerous to human life or detrimental to health; whatever building, structure or premises is not sufficiently ventilated, sewered, drained, cleaned or lighted, in reference to its intended use; and whatever renders the air, human food, drink or water supply unwholesome.

PAN. A soil horizon cemented with any one of a number of cementing agents such as iron, organic matter, silica, calcium, carbonate, gypsum or a combination of chemicals. Pans will resist penetration from a knife blade and are slowly permeable horizons or are impermeable.

PERCOLATION TEST. The method of testing absorption qualities of the soil (see Section 404).

PERMEABILITY. The ease with which liquids move through the soil. One of the soil qualities listed in soil survey reports.

PRESSURE DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM. A soil absorption system using a pump or automatic siphon and smaller diameter distribution piping with small-diameter perforations to introduce effluent into the soil.

PRIVATE SEWAGE DISPOSAL SYSTEM. A sewage treatment and disposal system serving a single structure with a septic tank and soil absorption field located on the same parcel as the structure. This term also means an alternative sewage disposal system, including a substitute for the septic tank or soil absorption field, a holding tank, a system serving multiple structures of a community that is not owned or operated by a utility or a system located on a different parcel of land than the structure. A private sewage disposal system is permitted to be owned by the property owner or developer.

PRIVY/LATRINE/TOILET. A structure with built in elevated seat, seat cover and disposal pit that is not connected to a plumbing system but mostly dry and is used by persons for the deposition of human body waste.

RURAL AREAS. The countryside areas of Jamaica that:

1. Are not classified or zoned as urban
2. Buildings are relatively few and in most cases are at least 61 m (200 feet) apart.

SEEPAGE BED. An excavated area more than 1,525 mm (5 feet) wide that contains a bedding of aggregate and has more than one distribution line.

SEEPAGE PIT. An underground receptacle constructed to permit disposal of effluent or clear wastes by soil absorption through its floor and walls.

SEEPAGE TRENCH. An area excavated 305 mm to 1,525 mm (1 foot to 5 feet) wide containing a bedding of aggregate and a single distribution line.

SEPTAGE. All sludge, scum, liquid and any other material removed from a private sewage treatment and disposal system.

SEPTIC TANK. A tank that receives and partially treats sewage through processes of sedimentation, flotation and bacterial action to separate solids from the liquid in the sewage, and which discharges the liquid to a soil absorption system.

SOIL. The unconsolidated material covering bedrock that consist of organic remains, clay and rock particles 2 mm (0.08 inch) and smaller.

SOIL BORING. An observation pit dug by hand or backhoe, a hole dug by augering or a soil core taken intact and undisturbed with a probe.

SOIL MOTTLES. Spots, streaks or contrasting soil colors usually caused by soil saturation for one period of a normal year, with a color value of 4 or more and a chroma of 2 or less. Gray-colored mottles are called low chroma; reddish-brown, red- and yellow-colored mottles are called high chroma.

SOIL SATURATION. The state in which all pores in a soil are filled with water. Water will flow from saturated soil into a bore hole.

VENT CAP. An approved appurtenance used for covering the vent terminal of an effluent disposal system to avoid closure by mischief or debris while still permitting the admittance and expunging of air needed to facilitate flow in the pipe conveying system.

VERTICAL ELEVATION REFERENCE POINT. An easily identifiable stationary point or object of constant elevation for establishing the relative elevation of percolation tests, *soil borings* and other locations.

WASTEWATER TREATMENT SYSTEMS. An onsite or offsite primary, secondary or tertiary sewage effluent treatment system or plant that serves a single or duplex or quadruplex detached house or townhouse or small housing scheme community or other small buildings allowed under this code and converts effluent into water that can be discharged back into the environment.

WASTE-WATER TREATMENT LEVELS: The following are the three levels of wastewater treatment viz primary, secondary and tertiary treatment:

1. **Primary treatment** – a process that involves removal of material that will either float or readily settle out by gravity before final disposal.
2. **Secondary treatment** – a process requiring the removal of organic load (COD and BOD) through physical and biological treatment prior to final disposal.
3. **Tertiary treatment** – a process requiring physical, biological and sometimes chemical treatment to remove nutrients (polishing step) that can be harmful to environmentally sensitive areas or threaten Public Health Act.

WATERCOURSE. The path traced by a stream flowing in a particular direction, though the stream need not flow continually and may be sometimes dry. A *watercourse* has a defined channel, with a bed, sides or banks, and its water usually discharges itself into some other stream or body of water. It must be something more than mere surface drainage over the entire face of a tract of land, occasioned by unusual freshets or other extraordinary cause. It does not include the water flowing in the hollows or ravines in land, which is the mere surface water from rains and is discharged through them from a higher to a lower level, but which at other times are destitute of water. Such hollows or ravines are not, in legal contemplation, *watercourses*.

WORKMANSHIP. Work of such character that will fully secure the results sought in all the sections of this code as intended for the health, safety and welfare protection of all individuals.

SECTION 27A302 SPECIFIC LIMITATIONS

27A302.1 Domestic waste. All wastes and sewage derived from ordinary living in buildings which can be constructed under this code, shall enter a septic tank or packaged treatment plant unless otherwise specifically exempt by the *code official* or this code. The effluent arising from such septic tanks and packaged plants and any other allowed sewage collection systems, shall be disposed of by one of the following methods as long as the National Environment and Planning Agency (NEPA) in conjunction with the Environmental Health Unit (EHU) of the Ministry of Health and Wellness as well as

the Water Resources Authority (WRA) has approved its construction for the specific site and application:

4. Direct soil absorption systems such as “Seepage /Soak-away pits as well as mound beds and mound trenches of the gravity or pressurized types. These systems shall be used only where effluent percolation rates through the soil are such that it does not cause seepage into the aquifer or lakes or ponds or rivers or streams or the sea.
- ii. Liquid discharge treatment facilities (packaged plants, ponds or constructed wetland systems). The discharged effluent water quality shall meet the Natural Resources Conservation Authority (NRCA) standards outlined in the NRCA and Public Health Acts and shown in Table 27A302.3.
- iii. Evaporation and/or transpiration systems with no liquid discharge to the soil under the absorption bed.
- iv. Surface water discharge systems to dedicated ponds, dry gullies and irrigation systems for effluent processed continuously and assuredly to clear-water stages by packaged treatment plants. The effluent water quality shall meet the NRCA standards outlined in the NRCA and Public Health Acts and shown in Table 27A302.3. Clear water surface discharge directly into lakes, rivers and streams are prohibited.

27A302.1.1 Soil absorptive methods not to be allowed Soil absorptive methods shall not be allowed in the following areas:

1. Where the potential building location will be in an area where the high-water table is less than 915 mm from the original (natural) land surface or has a percolation rate (flow through soil rate) less than 7.2 seconds per millimetre (3 minutes per inch)].

Exception:

Where absorption levels will be brought into compliance by the planting of acceptable vegetation such as vetiver grass.

2. Locations with extremely high percolation rates [less than 7.2 seconds per millimetre (60 minutes per inch) due to karstification of limestone or other similar conditions.

Exception:

Where acceptable vegetation lined beds with tertiary treatment system will be used.

3. Soil absorptive systems without significant nutrient removal.

Exception:

In rural and deep rural areas where NEPA with the support of the EHU and the WRA will allow the use of the proposed water absorption system.

4. In areas where NEPA in conjunction with the EHU and WRA has declared the area as unsuitable for the proposed absorption systems or has stopped the practice of allowing the use of the proposed absorption systems.

27A302.2 Cesspools and privies. Cesspools (sewer or septic pits) and privies (pit toilets or latrines) shall be prohibited.

Exception:

In rural and deep rural areas with or without potable piped water:

1. Cesspools/sewer pits may be permitted by NEPA in conjunction with the EHU, WRA and the Local Authority. Where allowed, cesspools/sewer pits shall be designed and installed in accordance with Section 27A10 of this chapter.
2. Privies/latrines may be allowed by NEPA in conjunction with the EHU, WRA and the Local Authority. Where allowed, privies/latrines shall be designed and installed in accordance with Section 27A13 of this chapter.

Under no conditions shall privies/latrines be allowed in urban areas throughout Jamaica.

27A302.3 Effluent water quality for surface discharge.

The minimum water quality level for liquid discharge effluent from a sewage treatment system to a river, stream, lake, dry gully or gulf course irrigation shall be in accordance with Table 27A302.3 below.

27A302.4 Detrimental or dangerous waste. Material such as ashes, cinders or rags; non-biodegradable material such as diapers, condoms, gloves or sanitary napkins; plastic products; flammable, poisonous or explosive liquids or gases; oil, grease or other insoluble material that is capable of obstructing, damaging or overloading the *private sewage disposal system*, or is capable of interfering with its normal operation, shall not be deposited, by any means, into the *sewage disposal systems*. The code official shall approve the method of treatment and disposal.

27A302.5 Clear water discharge. The discharge of surface, rain or other clear water into a *private sewage disposal system* shall be prohibited.
27A302.6 Water softener and iron filter backwash.

Where a water softener or iron filter discharge is used in a *private sewage disposal system* it shall be indirectly connected by means of an air gap to the sewage system or discharged onto the ground surface, provided that a *nuisance* is not created.

27A302.7 Food waste disposals. Where a food waste disposal connects to a *private sewage disposal system*, the system shall be designed to accommodate the solids loading from the disposal unit.**27A302.8 Maximum housing density for onsite sewage systems.** On-site soil absorption sewage disposal systems shall be limited to a maximum housing density, irrespective of percolation rate if underground water quality is not to be negatively impacted. In areas of very high percolation rate, soil absorption systems may be denied outrightly or housing density for on-site systems drastically reduced. Housing density greater than seven (7) dwelling units per acre or larger developments which house more than 300 persons shall submit plans for construction permit with the design for a community sewage treatment system.

27A302.9 Sewage disposal systems & components which NEPA in conjunction with EHU may approve. Without prejudice to the site specific conditions under which approval will be given, the following are the list of private sewage treatment and disposal systems or components which NEPA in conjunction with the EHU may approve:

27A302.9.1 Non-liquid and liquid sewage treatment:

1. Ventilated Improved Pit latrine (VIP)
2. Ventilated Improved Double Vault Recycleable latrine (VIDVR)
3. Water - less latrines (ECOSAN)
4. Septic Tanks
5. Bio-digesters
6. Mechanical systems (Oxidation Ditch, Contact Stabilization Tank, Rotary Biological Contactor, Trickling Filter, Aerated Sludge Systems, Membrane Filtration System and Anaerobic Systems).
7. Pond Systems (aerobic and anaerobic ponds).

27A302.9.2 Polishing Systems:

1. Reed Beds (constructed wetlands)
2. Intermittent Sand Filters
3. Recirculating Sand Filters
4. Textile Filters

27A302.9.3 Disposal Systems (soil absorption):

1. Cesspools [Sewage (Absorption) Pits]
2. Seepage (Soak-away) Pits
3. Tile Fields

4. Mound bed gravity fed systems
5. Mound trench gravity fed systems
6. Mound bed pressurized systems
7. Mound trench pressurized systems

27A302.9.4 Disposal Systems (zero soil absorption):

1. Evapotranspiration Beds
2. Reed Bed (e.g. Vetiver grass, bulrush, cattail etc.)

The combination of these systems or components shall constitute a complete sewage disposal solution. These combinations shall be site specific and must correspond to the level of treatment required by the WRA.

27A302.10 Permit required for surface discharge of effluent. Surface discharge of liquid effluent meeting the minimum water quality levels of Table 27A302.3 shall require a permit from NEPA in conjunction with the EHU. Such permit shall require the EHU to conduct monitoring tests to ensure that the accepted standards that gave rise to the permit are being adhered to on an on-going basis.

GENERAL REGULATIONS

**SECTION 27A303
FLOOD HAZARD AREAS**

27A303.1 General. Soil absorption systems shall be located outside of *flood hazard areas* defined by WRA Flood Plain Maps like that shown in Figure R322.1 or in the absence of such maps the topographical and telltale flood level features at the site or historical flood level data solicited from very elderly residents of the site vicinity.

Exception:

Where suitable soil absorption sites outside of the flood hazard area are not available, the soil absorption site is permitted to be located within the flood hazard area as long as the construction technique will enable the sewage system to successfully resist the flooding to be experienced without any associated environmental contamination. The soil absorption site shall be located to minimize the effects of inundation or protracted ponding around or adjacent to the absorption site under conditions of the design flood.

27A303.2 Tanks. In *flood hazard areas*, tanks shall be anchored to counter buoyant forces during condition of the design flood. The vent termination and service manhole of the tank shall be not less than 610 mm (2 feet) above the *design flood elevation* or fitted with covers designed to

prevent the inflow of floodwater or outflow of the contents of the tanks during conditions of the design flood.

27A303.3 Mound systems. Mound system types shall be prohibited in *flood hazard areas*.

**SECTION 27A304
ALTERNATIVE ENGINEERED DESIGN**

27A04.1 Alternative engineered design. The design, documentation, inspection, testing and approval of an alternative engineered design *private sewage disposal system* shall be done only by *registered design building professional* and shall comply with Sections 27A304.1.1 through 27A304.6.

27A04.1.1 Design criteria. An alternative engineered design shall conform to the intent of the provisions of this code and shall provide an equivalent level of quality, strength, effectiveness, fire resistance, durability, health and safety. Material, equipment or components shall be designed and installed in accordance with the manufacturer’s instructions.

27A304.2 Submittal. The *registered design building professional* shall indicate on the permit application that the *private sewage disposal system* is an alternative engineered design. The permit and permanent permit records shall indicate that an

alternative engineered design was part of the approved installation.

27A304.3 Technical data. The *registered design building professional* shall submit sufficient technical data to substantiate the proposed alternative engineered design and to prove that the performance meets the intent of this code.

27A304.4 Construction documents. The *registered design building professional* shall submit to the code official two complete sets of signed and sealed construction documents for the alternative engineered design.

27A304.5 Design approval. Where the code official determines that the alternative engineered design conforms to the intent of this code, the *private sewage disposal system* shall be approved. If the alternative engineered design is not approved, the code official shall notify the *registered design building professional* in writing, stating the reasons therefor.

27A304.6 Inspection and test. The alternative engineered design shall be inspected in accordance with the requirements of Section R109.27A304.5 Design approval.

**TABLE 27A302.3.
SEWAGE EFFLUENT STANDARDS FOR DIRECT DISCHARGE AND IRRIGATION**

ITEM No.	EFFLUENT PARAMETER	MEASUREMENT UNIT	MAXIMUM ALLOWED QUANTITY FOR ACCEPTABLE WATER QUALITY	
			DIRECT DISCHARGE	IRRIGATION
1.	Chemical Oxygen Demand	mg / L	100	< 100
2.	Biological Oxygen Demand	mg / L	20	15
3.	Total Suspended Solids	mg / L	20	15
4.	Total Nitrogen	mg / L	10	Not Applicable
5.	Phosphates -P	mg / L	4	Not Applicable
6.	pH	-	6	Not Applicable
7.	Faecal Coliform	MPN / 100 ml	200	12

8.	Residual Chlorine	mg / L	1.5	0.5
9.	Oil and Grease	mg / L	Not Applicable	10
10.	Giardia Cyst	# / 100 ml	Not Applicable	< 1

NOTE: The table immediately above contains information drawn principally from the Third Schedule of the Natural Resources Conservation (Wastewater and Sludge) Regulations 2013. The provisions of this Regulation have been incorporated into the Jamaica Private Sewage Disposal Code (JPSDC) since the National Building Act has made the JPSDC requirements for sewage disposal on private properties, including hotels, supersede that in all others Acts. Provisions of the JPSDC that impact buildings covered by this code have been incorporated herein.

SITE EVALUATION AND REQUIREMENTS

SECTION 27A401 GENERAL

27A401.1 Scope. The provisions of this section shall govern the evaluation of and requirements for *private sewage disposal system* sites.

27A401.2 Site evaluation. Site evaluation shall include soil conditions, properties and permeability, depth to zones of soil saturation, depth to bedrock, slope, landscape position, all setback requirements and the presence of *flood hazard areas*. Soil test data shall relate to the undisturbed elevations, and a vertical elevation reference point or benchmark shall be established. Evaluation data shall be reported on approved forms. Reports shall be filed within 30 days of the completion of testing for all sites investigated.

27A401.3 Replacement system area. On each parcel of land being initially developed, sufficient area of suitable soils based on the soil tests and system location and site requirements of this code for one replacement system shall be established. Where bore hole test data in the replacement system area are equivalent to data in the proposed system area, the percolation test is not required.

27A401.3.1 Nonconforming site conditions. Where site conditions do not permit replacement systems in accordance with this code and an alternative system is used, the alternative system shall be approved in accordance with Section 105.

27A401.3.2 Undisturbed site. The replacement system shall not be disturbed to the extent that the site area is no longer suitable. The replacement system area shall not be used for construction of buildings, parking lots or parking areas, below-ground swimming pools or any other use that will adversely affect the replacement area.

SECTION 27A402

SLOPE

27A402.1 General. *Conventional soil absorption systems* (except for septic tanks to seepage pits) shall not be located on land with a slope greater than 20 percent. Where the natural slope of the proposed soil absorption system is greater than 20 percent, the soil shall be graded to a slope no greater than 20 percent. A *conventional soil absorption system* shall be located not less than 6,100 mm (20 feet) from the crown of land with a slope greater than 20 percent, except where the top of the aggregate of a system is at or below the bottom of an adjacent roadside ditch. Where a more restrictive land slope is to be observed for a soil absorption system, other than a *conventional soil absorption system*, the more restrictive land slope specified in the design sections of this code shall apply.

SECTION 27A403 SOIL BORINGS AND EVALUATION

27A403.1 Soil borings and profile descriptions. *Soil borings* shall be conducted on all sites, regardless of the type of private sewage system planned to serve the parcel. Borings shall extend not less than 915 mm (3 feet) below the bottom of the proposed system. Borings shall be of sufficient size and extent to determine the soil characteristics important to an on-site liquid waste disposal system. Borehole data shall be used to determine the suitability of soils at the site with respect to zones of seasonal or permanent soil saturation and the depth to bedrock. Borings shall be conducted prior to percolation tests to determine whether the soils are suitable to warrant such tests and, if suitable, at what depth percolation tests shall be conducted. The use of power augers for *soil borings* is prohibited. *Soil borings* shall be conducted and reported in accordance with Sections 403.1.1 through 403.1.5. Where it is not practical to have borings made with a backhoe, such borings shall be augered or dug by hand.

27A403.1.1 Number. There shall be not less than three borings per soil absorption site. Where

necessary, more *soil borings* shall be made for an accurate evaluation of a site. Borings shall be constructed to a depth of not less than 915 mm (3 feet) below the depth of the proposed system.

Exception:

On new land parcels, the requirement of six borings (three for initial area and three for replacement area) shall be reduced to five where the initial and replacement system areas are contiguous and one boring is made on each outer corner of the contiguous area and the fifth boring is made between the system areas (see Appendix I-1, Figure I-1-1).

27A403.1.2 Location. Each borehole shall be accurately located and referenced to the vertical elevation and horizontal reference points. Reports of boring location shall either be drawn to scale or have the horizontal dimensions clearly indicated between the borings and the horizontal reference point.

27A403.1.3 Soil description. Soil profile descriptions shall be written for all borings. The thickness in mm (inches) of the different soil horizons observed shall be indicated. Horizons shall be differentiated on the basis of color, texture, soil mottles or bedrock. Depths shall be measured from the ground surface.

27A403.1.4 Soil mottles. Seasonal or periodic soil saturation zones shall be estimated at the highest level of soil mottles. The code official shall require, where deemed necessary, a detailed description of the soil mottling on a marginal site. The abundance, size, contrast and color of the soil mottles shall be described in the following manner:

Abundance shall be described as “few” if the mottled color occupies less than 2 percent of the exposed surface; “common” if the mottled color occupies from 2 to 20 percent of the exposed surface; or “many” if the mottled color occupies more than 20 percent of the exposed surface. Size refers to length of the mottle measured along the longest dimension and shall be described as “fine” if the mottle is less than 5 mm (0.196 inch); medium if the mottle is from 5 mm to 40 mm (0.196 inch to 1.59 inches); or coarse if the mottle is larger than 40 mm (1.59 inches). Contrast refers to the difference in color between the soil mottle and the background color of the soil and is described as “faint” if the mottle is evident but recognizable with close examination; “distinct” if the mottle is readily seen but not striking; or “prominent” if the mottle is obvious and

one of the outstanding features of the horizon. The color(s) of the mottle(s) shall be indicated.

27A403.1.5 Observed ground water. The depth to ground water, if present, shall be reported. Observed ground water shall be reported at the level that ground water reaches in the soil borehole or the highest level of sidewall seepage into the boring. Measurements shall be made from ground level. Soil located above the water level in the boring shall be checked for the presence of soil mottles.

27A403.2 Color patterns not indicative of soil saturation. The following soil conditions shall be reported, but shall not be interpreted as color patterns caused by wetness or saturation. Soil profiles with an abrupt textural change with finer-textured soils overlying more than 1,220 mm (4 feet) of unmottled, loamy sand or coarser soils can have a mottled zone for the finer textured material. Where the mottled zone is less than 305 mm (12 inches) thick and located immediately above the textural change, a soil absorption system shall be permitted in the loamy sand or coarser material below the mottled layer. The site shall be considered to be unsuitable where any soil mottles occur within the sandy material. The code official shall consider certain coarse sandy loam soils to be included as a coarse material.

27A403.2.1 Other soil color patterns. Soil mottles occur that are not caused by seasonal or periodic soil saturation zones. Examples of such soil conditions not limited by enumeration are soil mottles formed from residual sandstone deposits; soil mottles formed from uneven weathering of glacially deposited material or glacially deposited material that is naturally gray in color, including any concretionary material in various stages of decomposition; deposits of lime in a profile derived from highly calcareous parent material; light-colored silt coats deposited on soil bed faces; and soil mottles usually vertically oriented along old or decayed root channels with a dark organic stain usually present in the center of the mottled area.

403.2.2 Reporting exceptions. The site evaluator shall report any mottled soil condition. The observation of soil mottles not caused by soil saturation shall be reported. On request, the code official shall make a determination of the acceptability of the site.

27A403.3 Bedrock. The depth of the bedrock, except sandstone, shall be established at the depth in a *soil boring* where more than 50 percent of the weathered-in-

place material is consolidated. Sandstone bedrock shall be established at the depth where an increase in resistance to penetration of a knife blade occurs.

27A403.4 Alluvial and colluvial deposits.

Subsurface soil absorption systems shall not be placed in alluvial and colluvial deposits with shallow depths, extended periods of saturation or possible flooding.

SECTION 27A404

PERCOLATION OR PERMEABILITY EVALUATION

27A404.1 General. The permeability of the soil in the proposed absorption system shall be determined by percolation tests or permeability evaluation.

27A404.2 Percolation tests and procedures. Not less than three percolation tests in each system area shall be conducted. The holes shall be spaced uniformly in relation to the bottom depth of the proposed absorption system. More percolation tests shall be made where necessary, depending on system design.

27A404.2.1 Percolation test hole. The test hole shall be dug or bored. The test hole shall have vertical sides and a horizontal dimension of 100 mm to 205 mm (4 inches to 8 inches). The bottom and sides of the hole shall be scratched with a sharp-pointed instrument to expose the natural soil. Loose material shall be removed from the hole, and the bottom shall be covered with 51 mm (2 inches) of gravel or coarse sand.

27A404.2.2 Test procedure, sandy soils. The hole shall be filled with clear water to not less than 305 mm (12 inches) above the bottom of the hole for tests in sandy soils. The time for this amount of water to seep away shall be determined and this procedure shall be repeated if the water from the second filling of the hole seeps away in 10 minutes or less. The test shall proceed as follows: Water shall be added to a point not more than 150 mm (6 inches) above the gravel or coarse sand. Thereupon, from a fixed reference point, water levels shall be measured at 10-minute intervals for a period of 1 hour. Where 150 mm (6 inches) of water seeps away in less than 10 minutes, a shorter interval between measurements shall be used, but the water depth shall not exceed 150 mm (6 inches) in any case. Where 150 mm (6 inches) of water seeps away in less than 2 minutes, the test shall be stopped and a rate of less than 7.2 s/mm (3 minutes per inch) shall be reported. The final water level drop shall be used to calculate the

percolation rate. Soils not meeting the requirements of this section shall be tested in accordance with Section 27A404.2.3.

27A404.2.3 Test procedure, other soils. The hole shall be filled with clear water, and a minimum water depth of 305 mm (12 inches) shall be maintained above the bottom of the hole for a 4-hour period by refilling whenever necessary or by use of an automatic siphon. Water remaining in the hole after 4 hours shall not be removed. Thereafter, the soil shall be allowed to swell not less than 16 hours or more than 30 hours. Immediately after the soil swelling period, the measurements for determining the percolation rate shall be made as follows: Any soil sloughed into the hole shall be removed, and the water level shall be adjusted to 150 mm (6 inches) above the gravel or coarse sand. Thereupon, from a fixed reference point, the water level shall be measured at 30-minute intervals for a period of 4 hours, unless two successive water level drops do not vary by more than 1.59 mm ($\frac{1}{16}$ inch). Not less than three water level drops shall be observed and recorded. The hole shall be filled with clear water to a point not more than 150 mm (6 inches) above the gravel or coarse sand whenever it becomes nearly empty. The water level shall not be adjusted during the three measurement periods except to the limits of the last measured water level drop. Where the first 150 mm (6 inches) of water seeps away in less than 30 minutes, the test shall be performed again for a period of 1 hour with measurements performed every 10 minutes. The water depth shall not exceed 125 mm (5 inches) at any time during the measurement period. The drop that occurs during the final measurement period shall be used in calculating the percolation rate.

27A404.2.4 Mechanical test equipment. Mechanical percolation test equipment shall be of an approved type.

27A404.3 Permeability evaluation. Soil shall be evaluated for estimated percolation based on structure and texture in accordance with accepted soil evaluation practices. Borings shall be made in accordance with Section 27A404.2 for evaluating the soil.

SECTION 27A405 SOIL VERIFICATION

27A405.1 Verification. Where required by the code official, depth to soil mottles, depth to high ground water, soil textures, depth to bedrock and

land slope shall be verified by the code official. The code official shall require, where necessary, backhoe pits to be provided for verification of *soil boring* data. Where required by the code official, the results of percolation tests or permeability evaluation shall be subject to verification. The code official shall require, where necessary, that percolation tests be conducted under supervision. Where the natural soil condition has been altered by filling or other methods used to improve wet areas, the code official shall require, where necessary, observation of high ground water levels under saturated soil conditions. Detailed soil maps, or other adequate information, shall be used for determining estimated percolation rates and other soil characteristics.

27A405.2 Monitoring ground water levels. A property owner or developer shall have the option to provide documentation that soil mottling or other color patterns at a particular site are not an indication of seasonally saturated soil conditions of high ground water levels. Direct observation shall be used to document ground water levels. Monitoring shall be in accordance with the procedures cited in Sections 27A405.2.1 through 27A405.2.6.

27A405.2.1 Precipitation. Monitoring shall be performed at a time of the year when maximum ground water elevation occurs. In determining whether a near-normal season has occurred where sites are subject to broad regional water tables, such as large areas of sandy soils, the fluctuation over the several-year cycle shall be considered. In such cases, data obtained from the Water Resources Authority (WRA) of Jamaica shall be used to determine if a regional water table was at or near its normal level.

27A405.2.2 Artificial drainage. Areas to be monitored shall be checked for drainage tile and open ditches that alter natural high ground water levels. Where such factors are involved, information on the location, design, ownership and maintenance responsibilities for such drainage shall be provided. Documentation shall be provided to show that the drainage network has an adequate outlet and will be maintained. Sites affected by agricultural drain tile shall not be acceptable for system installation.

27A405.2.3 Procedures. The owner or the owner's agent shall notify the *building official* in writing of the intent to monitor. Where necessary, the code official

shall field check the monitoring once or more during the time of expected saturated soil conditions. Not less than three wells shall be monitored at a site for a proposed system and replacement. Where necessary, the code official shall require more than three monitoring sites, and the site evaluator shall be so advised in writing.

27A405.2.4 Monitoring well design. Not less than two wells shall extend to a depth of not less than 1,830 mm (6 feet) below the ground surface and shall be not less than 915 mm (3 feet) below the designed system depth. However, with layered mottled soil over permeable unmottled soil, not less than one well shall terminate within the mottled layer. Monitoring at greater depths shall be required, where necessary, due to site conditions. The site evaluator shall determine the depth of the monitoring wells for each specific site. Depths shall be approved. The monitoring well shall be a solid pipe installed in a bore hole. The pipe size shall be not less than 25 mm (1 inch) and not greater than 100 mm (4 inches). The bore hole shall be not less than 100 mm (4 inches) and not greater than 205 mm (8 inches) larger than the pipe (see Appendix U, Figure A-2).

27A405.2.5 Observations. The first observation shall be made on or before [DATE]. Observations shall be made thereafter every seven days or less until [DATE] or until the site is determined to be unacceptable, whichever occurs first. Where water is observed above the critical depth at any time, an observation shall be made one week later. Where water is present above the critical depth at both observations, monitoring shall cease and the site shall be considered unacceptable. Where water is not present above the critical depth at the second observation, monitoring shall continue until [DATE]. Where any two observations seven days apart show the presence of water above the critical depth, the site shall be considered unacceptable and the code official shall be notified in writing. When rainfall of 12.5 mm (0.5 inch) or more occurs in a 24-hour period during monitoring, observations shall be made at more frequent intervals, where necessary.

27A405.2.6 Reporting data. Where monitoring shows saturated conditions, the following data shall be submitted in writing: test locations; ground elevations at the wells; soil profile descriptions; soil series, if available from soil maps; dates observed; depths to observed water; and local precipitation data—monthly from [DATE] and daily during monitoring.

Where monitoring discloses that the site is acceptable, the following data shall be

submitted in writing: location and depth of test holes, ground elevations at the wells and soil profile descriptions; soil series, if available from soil maps; dates observed; results of observations; information on artificial drainage; and local precipitation data- monthly from [DATE] and daily during monitoring. A request to install a soil absorption system shall be made in accordance with Section R105.

between various elements as indicated in Table 27A406.1. Private sewage disposal systems in compacted areas, such as parking lots and driveways, are prohibited. Surface water shall be diverted away from any soil absorption site on the same or neighboring lots.

**SECTION 27A406
SITE REQUIREMENTS**

27A406.1 Soil absorption site location. The surface grade of all soil absorption systems shall be located at a point lower than the surface grade of any nearby water well or reservoir on the same or adjoining property. Where this is not possible, the site shall be located so surface water drainage from the site is not directed towards the nearby well or reservoir. The soil absorption system shall be located with a minimum horizontal distance

**TABLE 27A406.1
MINIMUM HORIZONTAL SEPARATION DISTANCES
FOR SOIL ABSORPTION SYSTEMS**

ELEMENT	DISTANCE (millimetres)
Cistern	7,620
Habitable building, below-grade foundation	7,620
Habitable building, slab-on-grade	4,572
Lake, high-water mark	15,240
Lot line	1,524
Reservoir	15,240
Roadway ditches	3,080
Spring	30,800
Storm water streams or watercourse (dry gully)	15,240
Swimming pool	4,572
Uninhabited building	3,080
Water main	15,240
Water service	3,080
Water well (cased for a depth of at least 22,860 mm)	15,240
Water well (uncased)	30,480

For Inch Pound Units: 1mm = 0.00328 mm.

flood hazard area. The site shall be located to minimize the effects of inundation under conditions of the design flood.

27A406.1.1 Flood hazard areas. The site shall be located outside of *flood hazard areas*.

Exception: Where suitable sites outside of the *flood hazard area* are not available, it is permitted for the site to be located within the

27A406.2 Ground water, bedrock or slowly permeable soils. There shall be not less than 915 mm (3 feet) of soil between the bottom of a soil absorption system and high ground water or bedrock. Soil with a percolation rate of 144

seconds per 1 mm (60 minutes per 1 inch) or faster shall exist for a minimum depth of 915 mm (3 feet) in the soil between the high ground water level or bedrock and the proposed bottom of the soil absorption system. There shall be 1,425 mm (56 inches) of suitable soil from original grade for a *conventional soil absorption system*.

27A406.3 Percolation rate, trench or bed. A subsurface soil absorption system of the trench or bed type shall not be installed where the percolation

rate for any one of the three tests is slower than 144 seconds for water to fall 1 mm (60 minutes for water to fall 1 inch). The slowest percolation rate shall be used to determine the absorption area.

27A406.4 Percolation rate, seepage pit.

Percolation tests shall be made in each horizon penetrated below the inlet pipe for a *seepage pit*. Soil strata in which the percolation rates are slower than 30 minutes per 25 mm (1 inch) shall not be included in computing the absorption area. The slowest percolation rate shall be used to determine the absorption area.

27A406.5 Soil maps. Where a parcel of land consists entirely of soils with very severe or severe limitations for on-site liquidwaste disposal as determined by use of a detailed soil map and supporting data, that map and supporting data shall be permitted to be used as a basis for denial for an on-site waste disposal system. However, the property owner shall be permitted to present evidence that a suitable site for an on-site liquid-waste disposal system does exist.

27A406.6 Filled area. A soil absorption system shall not be installed in a filled area unless written approval is received.

406.6.1 Placement of fill. The approval of a *conventional soil absorption system* shall be based on evidence indicating its conformance to code requirements for area, percolation and elevation.

27A406.6.2 Bedrock. Where the original soil texture is sand or loamy sand, and the site has not less than 760 mm (30 inches) and not greater than 1,425 mm (56 inches) of soil over bedrock, the fill shall be the same or coarser soil texture as the natural soil. Coarser fill material shall not be coarser than

medium sand. Fill material shall not be finer than the natural soil.

27A406.6.3 High ground water. Sites with less than 1,425 mm (56 inches) of soil over high ground water or estimated high ground water, where the original soil texture is sand or loamy sand, are permitted to be filled in accordance with Section 27A406.6.1 or 27A406.6.2.

27A406.6.4 Natural soil. Sites with soils finer than sand or loamy sand shall not be approved for systems in fill.

27A406.6.5 Monitoring. Sites that will have 760 mm (36 inches) or less of soil above high ground water after the topsoil is removed shall be monitored for high ground water levels in the filled area in accordance with Section 27A405.2.

27A406.6.6 Inspection of fill. Placement of the fill material shall be inspected by the code official.

27A406.6.7 Design requirements. Filled areas shall be large enough to accommodate a shallow trench system and a replacement system. The site of the area to be filled shall be determined by the percolation rate of the natural soil and use of the building. Where any portion of the trench system or its replacement is in the fill, the fill shall extend 6,100 mm (20 feet) beyond all sides of both systems before the slope begins. *Soil borings* and percolation tests shall be conducted before filling to determine soil textures and depth to high ground water or bedrock. Vegetation and topsoil shall be removed prior to filling. Slopes at the edge of the filled areas shall have a maximum ratio of one unit vertical to three units horizontal (33-percent slope), provided that the 6,100 mm (20-foot) separating distance is maintained (see Appendix U, Figure A-3).

27A406.7 Altering slopes. Areas with slopes exceeding those specified in Section 27A402.1 shall not be used unless graded and reshaped in accordance with Sections 27A406.7.1 through 27A406.7.3.

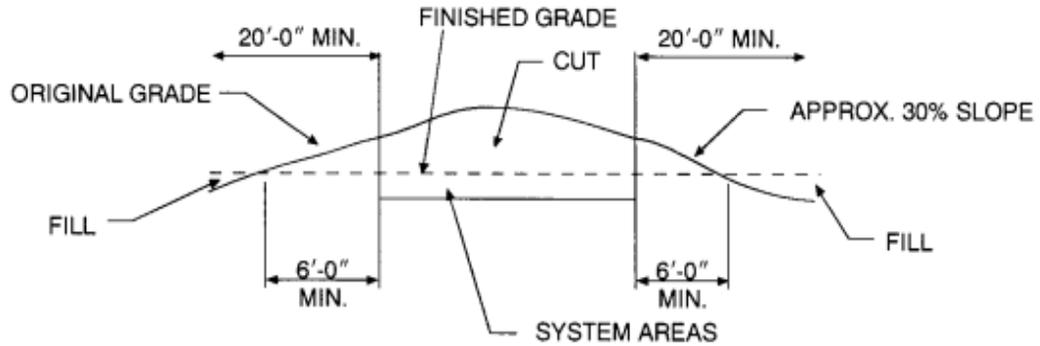
27A406.7.1 Site investigation. Soil test data shall show that a sufficient depth of suitable soil material is present to provide the required amount of soil over bedrock and ground water after alteration. A complete site evaluation as specified in this section shall be performed after alteration of the site.

27A406.7.2 System location. A soil absorption system shall be installed in the

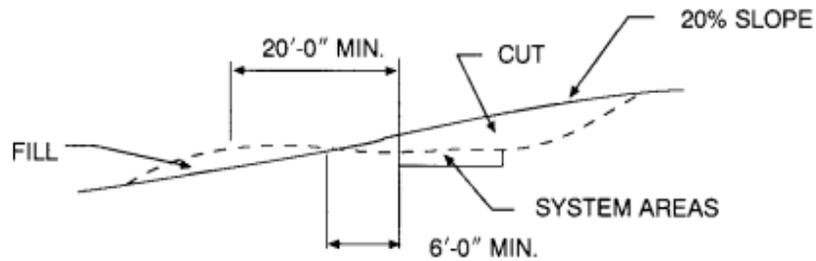
cut area of an altered site. A soil absorption system shall not be installed in the fill area of an altered site. The area of fill on an altered site is permitted to be used as a portion of the required 6,100 mm (20-foot) separating distance from the crown of a critical slope. There shall be not less than 1,830 mm (6 feet) of natural soil between the edge of a system area and the downslope side of the altered area.

27A406.7.3 Site protection. Altered slope areas shall be positioned so that surface water drainage will be diverted away from the system areas. Disturbed areas shall be seeded or sodded with grass, and appropriate steps shall be taken to control erosion (see Figure 27A406.7.3).

A. EXCAVATION OF COMPLETE HILLTOP

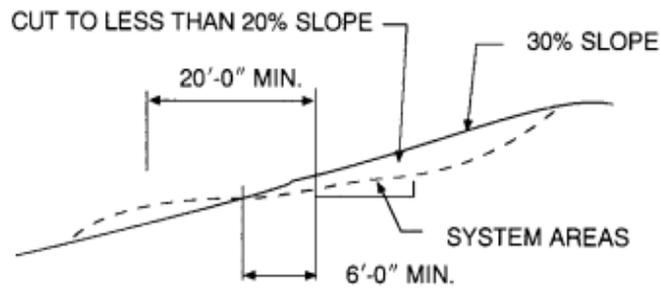


B. EXCAVATION INTO HILLSIDE



A SURFACE WATER DIVERSION
MAY BE NEEDED AT ONE OF
THESE POINTS IF LONG
SLOPES ARE PRESENT.

C. REGRADE OF HILLSIDE



(ON-SLOPE DESIGN MAY
REQUIRE TRENCHES)

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot.

**FIGURE 27A406.7.3
CONCEPTUAL DESIGN SKETCH FOR ALTERING SLOPES**

MATERIALS

SECTION 27A501 GENERAL

27A501.1 Scope. The provisions of this chapter shall govern the requirements of materials for *private sewage disposal systems*.

27A501.2 Minimum standards. Materials shall conform to the standards referenced in this code for the construction, installation, alteration or repair of *private sewage disposal systems* or parts thereof.

Exception: The extension, addition to or relocation of existing pipes with materials of like grade or quality in accordance with Sections 102.7.1 and 104.

SECTION 502 IDENTIFICATION

27A502.1 General. The manufacturer's mark or name and the quality of the product or identification shall be cast, embossed, stamped or indelibly marked on each length of pipe and each pipe fitting, fixture, tank, material and device used in a *private sewage disposal system* in accordance with the BSJ approved or recognized standards. Tank labels shall indicate their capacity.

SECTION 27A503 PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS

27A503.1 Approved materials required. Materials, fixtures or equipment used in the installation, repair or alteration of any *private sewage disposal system* shall conform to the standards referenced in this code, except as otherwise approved by the BSJ or Building Official in accordance with Section 104.

27A503.2 Care in installation. Materials installed in *private sewage disposal systems* shall be handled and installed so as to avoid damage. The quality of the material shall not be impaired.

27A503.3 Defective materials prohibited. Defective or damaged materials, equipment or apparatus shall not be installed or maintained.

SECTION 27A504 TANKS

27A504.1 Approval. Tanks shall be of an approved type. The design of tanks shall conform to the requirements of Chapter 8. Tanks shall be designed to withstand the pressures to which they are to be subjected.

27A504.2 Precast concrete and site-constructed tanks. Precast concrete tanks shall conform to ASTM C913. The floor and sidewalls of a site-constructed concrete tank shall be monolithic, except a construction joint is permitted in the lower 305 mm (12 inches) of the sidewalls of the tank. Where allowed, the construction joint shall have a keyway in the lower section of the joint. The width of the keyway shall be approximately 30 percent of the thickness of the sidewall with a depth equal to the width. A continuous water stop or baffle not less than 1,425 mm (56 inches) wide shall be set vertically in the joint, embedded one-half its width in the concrete below the joint with the remaining width in the concrete above the joint. The water stop or baffle shall be copper, neoprene, rubber or polyvinyl chloride designed for this specific purpose. Joints between the concrete septic tank and the tank cover and between the septic tank cover and manhole riser shall be tongue and groove or shiplap-type and sealed watertight using cement, mortar or bituminous compound.

27A504.3 Steel tanks. Steel tanks shall conform to UL 70. Any damage to the bituminous coating shall be repaired by recoating. The gage of the steel shall be in accordance with Table 27A504.3.

504.4 Fiberglass tanks. Fiberglass tanks shall conform to ASTM D4021.

504.5 Manholes. Manhole collars and extensions shall be of the same material as the tank. Manhole covers shall be of concrete, steel, cast iron or other approved material.

SECTION 27A505 PIPE, JOINTS AND CONNECTIONS

27A505.1 Pipe. Pipe for *private sewage disposal systems* shall have a smooth wall and conform to one of the standards listed in Table 27A505.1.

27A505.1.1 Distribution pipe. Perforated pipe for distribution systems shall conform to one of the standards listed in Table 27A505.1 or 27A505.1.1.

27A505.2 Joints and connection approval. Joints and connections shall be of an approved type.

27A505.3 ABS plastic pipe. Joints between acrylonitrile butadiene styrene (ABS) plastic pipe or fittings shall be in accordance with Sections 27A505.3.1 and 27A505.3.2.

**TABLE 27A504.3
TANK CAPACITY**

TANK DESIGN AND CAPACITY		MINIMUM GAGE THICKNESS	MINIMUM DIAMETER
Vertical cylindrical			
1,892 to 3,785 Litres	Bottom & sidewalls	12 gage	None
	Cover	12 gage	
	Baffles	12 gage	
3,786 to 4,731 Litres	Complete tank	10 gage	None
4,732 to 5,678 Litres	Complete tank	7 gage	None
Horizontal cylindrical			
1,892 to 3,785 Litres	Complete tank	12 gage	1,372 mm diameter
3,786 to 5,678 Litres	Complete tank	12 gage	1,626 mm diameter
5,679 to 9,462 Litres	Complete tank	10 gage	1,930 mm diameter
9,463 to 34,065 Litres	Complete tank	7 gage	1,930 mm diameter
34,066 to 45,420 Litres	Complete tank	6.35 mm plate	None
Over 45,420 Litres	Complete tank	8 mm plate	None

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 foot, 1 L = 0.2642 gallon.

27A505.3.1 Mechanical joints. Mechanical joints on drainage pipes shall be made with an elastomeric seal conforming to ASTM C1173, ASTM D3212 or CSA B602. Mechanical joints shall be installed only in underground systems, except as otherwise approved. Joints shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

27A505.3.2 Solvent cementing. Joint surfaces shall be clean and free from moisture. Solvent cement conforming to ASTM D2235 or CSA B181.1 shall be applied to all joint surfaces. The joint shall be made while the cement is wet. Joints shall be made in accordance with ASTM D2235, ASTM D2661, ASTM F628 or CSA B181.1. Solvent cement joints shall be permitted above or below ground.

27A505.4 Asbestos-cement pipe. Joints between asbestocement pipe or fittings shall be made with a

sleeve coupling of the same composition as the pipe and sealed with an elastomeric ring conforming to ASTM D1869.

27A505.5 Coextruded composite ABS pipe and joints. Joints between coextruded composite pipe with an ABS outer layer or ABS fittings shall comply with Sections 27A505.5.1 and 27A505.5.2.

27A505.5.1 Mechanical joints. Mechanical joints on drainage pipe shall be made with an elastomeric seal conforming to ASTM C1173, ASTM D3212 or CSA B602. Mechanical joints shall not be installed in above-ground systems, except as otherwise approved. Joints shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

27A505.5.2 Solvent cementing. Joint surfaces shall be clean and free from moisture. Solvent cement conforming to ASTM D2235 or CSA B181.1 shall be applied to all joint surfaces.

The joint shall be made while the cement is wet. Joints shall be made in accordance with

**TABLE 27A505.1
PRIVATE SEWAGE DISPOSAL SYSTEM PIPE**

MATERIAL	STANDARD
Acrylonitrile butadiene styrene (ABS) plastic pipe	ASTM D2661; ASTM D751; ASTM F628
Asbestos-cement pipe	ASTM C28
Cast-iron pipe	ASTM A74; ASTM A888; CISPI 301
Coextruded composite ABS DWV Schedule 40 IPS pipe (solid)	ASTM F1488; ASTM F1499
Coextruded composite ABS DWV Schedule 40 IPS pipe (cellular core)	ASTM F1488; ASTM F1499
Coextruded composite ABS sewer and drain DR-PS in PS35, PS50, PS100, PS140 and PS200	ASTM F1488; ASTM F1499
Coextruded composite PVC DWV Schedule 40 IPS pipe (solid)	ASTM F1488
Coextruded composite PVC DWV Schedule 40 IPS pipe (cellular core)	ASTM F1488
Coextruded composite PVC-IPS-DR of PS140, PS200, DWV	ASTM F1488
Coextruded composite PVC 3.25 OD DWV pipe	ASTM F1488
Coextruded composite PVC sewer and drain DR-PS in PS35, PS50, PS100, PS140 and PS200	ASTM F1488
Concrete pipe	ASTM C14; ASTM C76; CSA A257.1M; CSA A257.2M
Copper or copper-alloy tubing (Type K or L)	ASTM B75; ASTM B88; ASTM B 251
Polyvinyl chloride (PVC) plastic pipe (Type DWV, SDR26, SDR35, SDR41, PS50 or PS100)	ASTM D2665; ASTM D2949; ASTM D3034; ASTM F891; CSA B182.2; CSA B182.4
Vitrified clay pipe	ASTM C4; ASTM C700

**TABLE 27A505.1.1
DISTRIBUTION PIPE**

MATERIAL	STANDARD
Polyethylene (PE) plastic pipe	ASTM F405
Polyvinyl chloride (PVC) plastic pipe	ASTM D2729
Polyvinyl chloride (PVC) plastic pipe with pipe stiffness of PS35 and PS50	ASTM F1488

ASTM D2235, ASTM D2661, ASTM F628 or CSA B181.1. Solvent cement joints shall be permitted above or below ground.

27A505.6 Cast-iron pipe. Joints between cast-iron pipe or fittings shall be in accordance with Sections 27A505.6.1 through 27A505.6.3.

27A505.6.1 Caulked joints. Joints for hub and spigot pipe shall be firmly packed with oakum or hemp. Molten lead shall be poured in one operation to a depth of not less than 25 mm (1 inch). The lead shall not recede more than 3.2 mm (0.125 inch) below the rim of the hub, and shall be caulked tight. Paint, varnish or other coatings shall not be applied to the joining material until after the joint has been tested and approved. Lead shall be run in one pouring and shall be caulked tight. Acid-resistant rope and acidproof cement shall be permitted.

27A505.6.2 Mechanical compression joints. Compression gaskets for hub and spigot pipe and fittings shall conform to ASTM C564. Gaskets shall be compressed when the pipe is fully inserted.

27A505.6.3 Mechanical joint coupling. Mechanical joint couplings for hubless pipe and fittings shall comply with CISPI 310 or ASTM C1277. The elastomeric sealing sleeve shall conform to ASTM C564 or CSA B602 and shall be provided with a center stop. Mechanical joint couplings shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

27A505.7 Concrete pipe. Joints between concrete pipe or fittings shall be made by the use of an elastomeric seal conforming to ASTM C443, ASTM C1173, CSA A257.3M or CSA B602.

27A505.8 Copper or copper-alloy tubing or pipe. Joints between copper or copper-alloy tubing, pipe or fittings shall be in accordance with Sections 27A505.8.1 and 27A505.8.2.

27A505.8.1 Mechanical joints. Mechanical joints shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

27A505.8.2 Soldered joints. Solder joints shall be made in accordance with the methods of ASTM B828. Cut ends shall be reamed to the full inside diameter of the tube end. All joint surfaces shall be cleaned. A flux conforming to ASTM B813 shall be applied. The joint shall be soldered with a solder conforming to ASTM B32.

27A505.9 Polyethylene plastic pipe and tubing. Joints between polyethylene plastic pipe and tubing or fittings shall be in accordance with Sections 27A505.9.1 and 27A505.9.2.

27A505.9.1 Heat-fusion joints. Joint surfaces shall be clean and free from moisture. Joint surfaces shall be heated to melting temperature and joined. The joint shall be undisturbed until cool. Joints shall be made in accordance with ASTM D2657.

27A505.9.2 Mechanical joints. Mechanical joints shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

27A505.10 PVC plastic pipe. Joints between polyvinyl chloride (PVC) plastic pipe and fittings shall be in accordance with Sections 27A505.10.1 and 27A505.10.2.

27A505.10.1 Mechanical joints. Mechanical joints shall be made with an elastomeric seal conforming to ASTM C1173, ASTM D3212 or CSA B602. Mechanical joints shall not be installed in above-ground systems, except as otherwise approved. Joints shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

27A505.10.2 Solvent cementing. Joint surfaces shall be clean and free from moisture. A purple primer that conforms to ASTM F656 shall be applied. Solvent cement not purple in color and conforming to ASTM D2564, CSA B137.3, CSA B181.2 or CSA B182.1 shall be applied to all joint surfaces. The joint shall be made while the cement is wet, and shall be in accordance with ASTM D2855. Solvent cement joints shall be permitted above or below ground.

27A505.11 Coextruded composite PVC pipe. Joints between coextruded composite pipe with a PVC outer layer or PVC fittings shall comply with Sections 27A505.11.1 and 27A505.11.2.

27A505.11.1 Mechanical joints. Mechanical joints on drainage pipe shall be made with an elastomeric seal conforming to ASTM D3212. Mechanical joints shall not be installed in above-ground systems, except as otherwise approved. Joints shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

27A505.11.2 Solvent cementing. Joint surfaces shall be clean and free from moisture. A purple primer that conforms to ASTM F656 shall be applied. Solvent cement not purple in color and conforming to ASTM D2564, CSA B137.3, CSA B181.2 or CSA B182.1 shall be applied to all joint surfaces. The joint shall be made while the cement is wet, and shall be in accordance

with ASTM D2855. Solvent cement joints shall be permitted above or below ground.

27A505.12 Vitrified clay pipe. Joints between vitrified clay pipe or fittings shall be made by the use of an elastomeric seal conforming to ASTM C425, ASTM C1173 or CSAB602.

27A505.13 Different piping materials. Joints between different piping materials shall be made with a mechanical joint of the compression or mechanical-sealing type conforming to ASTM C1173, ASTM C1460 or ASTM C1461. Connectors or adapters shall be approved for the application and such joints shall have an elastomeric seal conforming to ASTM C425, ASTM C443, ASTM C564, ASTM C1440, ASTM D1869, ASTM F477, CSA A257.3M or CSA B602 or as required in Sections 27A505.13.1 and 27A505.13.2. Joints shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

27A505.13.1 Copper to cast-iron hub pipe. Joints between copper pipe or copper alloy tubing and cast-iron hub pipe shall be made with a copper-alloy ferrule or compression joint. The copper pipe or tubing shall be soldered to the ferrule in an approved manner, and the ferrule shall be joined to the cast-iron hub by a caulked joint or a mechanical compression joint.

27A505.13.2 Plastic pipe or tubing to other piping material. Joints between different grades of plastic pipe or between plastic pipe and other piping material shall be made with an approved adapter fitting. Joints between plastic pipe and cast-iron hub pipe shall be made by a caulked joint or a mechanical compression joint.

27A505.14 Pipe installation. Pipe shall be installed in accordance with the *Jamaica Plumbing Code*.

SECTION 27A506

PROHIBITED JOINTS AND CONNECTIONS

27A506.1 General. The following types of joints and connections shall be prohibited:

1. Cement or concrete joints.
2. Mastic or hot-pour bituminous joints.
3. Joints made with fittings not approved for the specific installation.
4. Joints between different diameter pipes made with elastomeric rolling O-rings.
5. Solvent-cement joints between different types of plastic pipe.

SECTION 27A601 GENERAL

27A601.1 Scope. The provisions of this chapter shall govern the sizing and installation of soil absorption systems.

SECTION 27A602 SIZING SOIL ABSORPTION SYSTEMS

27A602.1 General. Effluent from septic tanks and other approved treatment tanks shall be disposed of by soil absorption or other approved method. Sizing shall be in accordance with Section 27A7 for systems with a daily effluent application of 18,925 L (5,000 gallons) or less. Two disposal systems of equal size shall be required for systems receiving effluents exceeding 18,925 L (5,000 gallons) per day. Each system shall have a minimum capacity of 75 percent of the area required for a single system. An approved means of alternating the waste disposal between the two systems shall be provided. A dual disposal system shall be considered as one system.

27A602.2 Pressure system. A *pressure distribution system* shall be permitted in place of a conventional or dosing *conventional soil absorption system* where a site is suitable for a conventional *private sewage disposal system*. A *pressure distribution system* shall be approved as an alternative *private sewage disposal system* where the site is unsuitable for conventional treatment (for sizing and design criteria, see Section 27A7).

27A602.3 Method of discharge. Flow from the septic or treatment tank to the soil absorption system shall be by gravity or dosing for facilities with a daily effluent application of 5,678 L (1,500 gallons) or less. The tank effluent shall be discharged by pumping or an automatic siphon for systems over 5,678 L (1,500 gallons).

SECTION 27A603 RESIDENTIAL SIZING

27A603.1 General. The bottom area for *seepage trenches* or beds or the sidewall area for *seepage pits* required for a soil absorption system serving residential property shall be determined from Table 27A603.1 using soil percolation test data and type of construction.

TABLE 27A603.1
MINIMUM ABSORPTION AREA FOR

ONE- AND TWO-FAMILY DWELLINGS

PERCOLATION CLASS	PERCOLATION RATE (second required for water to fall 25 millimetre)	SEEPAGE TRENCHES OR PITS (square metre per bedroom)	SEEPAGE BEDS (square metre per bedroom)
1	0 to less than 24	15.33	19.04
2	24 to less than 72	23.23	29.26
3	72 to less than 108	27.87	34.84
4	108 to 144	30.66	38.55

For Inch Pound Units: 1 s/mm = 0.4167 minute per inch, 1 m² = 10.7642 ft².

SECTION 27A604
OTHER BUILDING SIZING

27A604.1 General.

The minimum required soil absorption system area for all occupancies, except one- and two-family dwellings, shall be based on building usage, the percolation rate and system design in accordance with Tables 27A604.1(1) and 27A604.1(2). The minimum soil absorption area shall be calculated by the following equation:

$$A = U \times CF \times AA \quad \text{Equation 6-1}$$

where:

- A = Minimum system absorption area.
- AA = Absorption area from Table 27A604.1(1).
- CF = Conversion factor from Table 27A604.1(2).
- U = Number of units.

SECTION 27A605
INSTALLATION OF CONVENTIONAL SOIL ABSORPTION SYSTEMS

27A605.1 Seepage trench excavations. *Seepage trench* excavations shall be 305 mm to 1524 mm (1 foot to 5 feet) wide. Trench excavations shall be spaced not less than 1,830 mm (6 feet) apart. The absorption area of a *seepage trench* shall be computed by using only the bottom of the trench area. The bottom excavation area of the distribution header shall not be computed as absorption area. Individual *seepage trenches* shall be not greater than 30,500 mm (100 feet) long, except as otherwise approved.

27A605.2 Seepage bed excavations. *Seepage bed* excavations shall be not less than 1,525 mm (5 feet) wide and have more than one distribution pipe. The absorption area of a *seepage bed* shall be

computed by using the bottom of the trench area. Distribution piping in a *seepage bed* shall be uniformly spaced not greater than 1,525 mm (5 feet) and not less than 915 mm (3 feet) apart, and not greater than 915 mm (3 feet) and not less than 305 mm (1 foot) from the sidewall or headwall.

27A605.3 Seepage pits. A *seepage pit* shall have not less than an inside diameter of 1,525 mm (5 feet) and shall consist of a chamber walled-up with material, such as irregularly shape natural occurring stones of averaged dimensions about 305 mm x 305 mm x 230 mm high (12 inches x 12 inches x 9 inches high) loosely packed, perforated precast concrete ring, concrete block, brick or other approved material allowing effluent to percolate through or around them into the surrounding soil. The pit bottom shall be left open to the soil. Aggregate of 12.5 mm to 64 mm (½ inch to 2½ inches) in size shall be placed into a 150 mm (6-inch) minimum) annular space separating the outside wall of the chamber and sidewall excavation. The depth of the annular space shall be measured from the inlet pipe to the bottom of the chamber. Each *seepage pit* shall be provided with a 610 mm (24-inch) manhole extending to within 1,425 mm (56 inches) of the ground surface and a 100 mm (4-inch)-diameter fresh air inlet. Adjacent *seepage pits* shall be located not less than 1,525 mm (5 feet) apart. Excavation and scarifying shall be in accordance with Section 27A605.4 The bottom excavation area of the distribution header shall not be computed as absorption area.

TABLE	PERCOLATION RATE	SEEPAGE	SEEPAGE
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27A604.1(1) MINIMUM ABSORPTION AREA FOR OTHERPERCOL ATION CLASS	(seconds required for water to fall 25 millimetres)	TRENCHES OR PITS (square metres per unit)	BEDS (square metres per unit)
1	0 to less than 24	10.22	13.00
2	24 to less than 72	15.32	19.04
3	72 to less than 108	20.44	23.23
4	108 to 144	20.44	26.01

For Inch Pound Units: 1 s/mm = 0.4167 minute per inch, 1 m² = 10.7642 ft².

**TABLE 27A604.1(2)
CONVERSION FACTOR**

BUILDING CLASSIFICATION	UNITS	FACTOR
Assembly hall (Community Centres only)—no kitchen	1 per person	0.02
Bar and cocktail lounge	1 per patron space	0.2
Beauty salon	1 per station	2.4
Camp, day use only	1 per person	0.2
Church—no kitchen	1 per person	0.04
Employees—in all buildings	1 per person	0.4
Park—toilet waste only	1 per acre	4.0
Retail store (Village shop only)	1 per customer	0.03

SECTION 27A605 INSTALLATION OF CONVENTIONAL SOIL ABSORPTION SYSTEMS

27A605.1 Seepage trench excavations. *Seepage trench* excavations shall be 305 mm to 1,525 mm (1 foot to 5 feet) wide. Trench excavations shall be spaced not less than 1,830 mm (6 feet) apart. The absorption area of a *seepage trench* shall be computed by using only the bottom of the trench area. The bottom excavation area of the distribution header shall not be computed as absorption area. Individual *seepage trenches* shall be not greater than 30,500 mm (100 feet) long, except as otherwise approved.

27A605.2 Seepage bed excavations. *Seepage bed* excavations shall be not less than 1,525 mm (5 feet) wide and have more than one distribution pipe. The absorption area of a *seepage bed* shall be computed by using the bottom of the trench area. Distribution piping in a *seepage bed* shall be uniformly spaced not greater than 1,525 mm (5 feet) and not less than 915 mm (3 feet) apart, and not greater than 915 mm (3 feet) and not less than 305 mm (1 foot) from the sidewall or headwall.

27A605.3 Seepage pits. A *seepage pit* shall have not less than an inside diameter of 1,525 mm (5 feet) and shall consist of a chamber walled-up with material,

such as perforated precast concrete ring, loose stones, concrete block, brick or other approved material allowing effluent to percolate into the surrounding soil. The pit bottom shall be left open to the soil. Aggregate of 12.5 mm to 64 mm (½ inch to 2½ inches) in size shall be placed into a 150 mm (6-inch) minimum annular space separating the outside wall of the chamber and sidewall excavation. The depth of the annular space shall be measured from the inlet pipe to the bottom of the chamber. Each *seepage pit* shall be provided with a 610 mm (24-inch) manhole extending to within 1,425 mm (56 inches) of the ground surface and a 100 mm (4-inch) -diameter fresh air inlet. *Seepage pits* shall be located not less than 1,525 mm (5 feet) apart. Excavation and scarifying shall be in accordance with Section 27A605.4. The effective area of a *seepage pit* shall be the vertical wall area of the walled-up chamber for the depth below the inlet for all strata in which the percolation rates are less than 70 s/mm (30 minutes per inch). The 150 mm (6-inch) annular opening outside the vertical wall area is permitted to be included for determining the effective area. Table 27A605.3, or an approved method, shall be used for determining the effective sidewall area of circular *seepage pits*.

**TABLE 27A605.3
EFFECTIVE SQUARE-METRE ABSORPTION AREA
FOR SEEPAGE PITS**

INSIDE DIAMETER OF CHAMBER IN METRES PLUS 0.305 METRE FOR WALL THICKNESS PLUS 0.305 METRE FOR ANNULAR SPACE	DEPTH IN METRES OF PERMEABLE STRATA BELOW INLET					
	0.915	1.220	1.525	1.830	2.135	2.440
2.135	6.140	8.186	10,233	12,279	14,326	16.372
2.440	7.017	9.356	11.695	14.033	16.372	18.711
2.743	7.888	10.517	13.147	15.776	18.405	21.035
3.048	8.765	11.687	14.608	17.530	20.452	23.374
3.353	9.642	12.856	16.070	19.285	22.499	25.713
4.022	11.566	15.421	19.277	23.132	26.988	30.843

For Inch Pound Units: 1 m = 3.280 feet, 1 m² = 10.764 ft².

27A605.4 Excavation and construction. The bottom of a trench or bed excavation shall be level. *Seepage trenches* or beds shall not be excavated where the soil is so wet that such material rolled between the hands forms a soil wire. Smearred or compacted soil surfaces in the sidewalls or bottom of *seepage trench* or bed excavations shall be scarified to the depth of smearing or compaction and the loose material removed. Where rain falls on an open excavation, the soil shall be left until sufficiently dry so a soil wire will not form when soil from the excavation bottom is rolled between the hands. The bottom area shall then be scarified and loose material removed.

27A605.5 Aggregate and backfill. Not less than 150 mm (6 inches) of aggregate ranging in size from 12.5 mm to 64 mm (½ inch to 2½ inches) shall be laid into the trench or bed below the distribution pipe elevation. The aggregate shall be evenly distributed not less than 51 mm (2 inches) over the top of the distribution pipe. The aggregate shall be covered with approved synthetic materials or 230 mm (9 inches) of uncompacted marsh hay or straw. Building paper shall not be used to cover the aggregate. Not less than 455 mm (18 inches) of soil backfill shall be provided above the covering.

27A605.6 Distribution piping. Distribution piping for gravity systems shall be not less than 100 mm (4 inches) in diameter. The distribution header (PVC) shall be solid-wall pipe. The top of the distribution pipe shall be not less than 205 mm (8 inches) below the original surface in continuous straight or curved lines. The slope of the distribution pipes shall be 51 mm to 102 mm per 30,500 mm (2 inches to 4 inches per 100 feet). Effluent shall be distributed to all distribution pipes. Distribution of effluent to *seepage trenches* on sloping sites shall be accomplished by using a drop box design or other approved methods. Where dosing is required, the siphon

or pump shall discharge a dose of minimum capacity equal to 75 percent of the combined volume of the distribution piping in the absorption system.

27A605.7 Observation pipes. Observation pipes shall be provided. Such pipes shall be not less than 100 mm (4 inches) in diameter, not less than 305 mm (12 inches) above final grade and shall terminate with an approved vent cap.

The bottom 305 mm (12 inches) of the observation pipe shall be perforated and extend to the bottom of the aggregate. Observation pipes shall be located not less than 7,625 mm (25 feet) from any window, door or air intake of any building used for human occupancy. Not more than four distribution pipelines shall be served by one common 100 mm (4-inch) observation pipe where interconnected by a common header pipe (see Appendix I-1, Figure I-1-4).

Exception:

Where approved and where the location of the observation pipe is permanently recorded, the observation pipe shall be not more than 51 mm (2 inches) below the finished grade.

27A605.8 Winter Adverse weather installation. Soil absorption systems shall not be installed during periods of adverse weather conditions unless the installation’s operation will be unaffected by such weather. The first 305 mm (12 inches) of backfill shall be loose soil.

605.9 Evaporation. Soil absorption systems shall not be covered or paved over by material that inhibits the evaporation of the effluent.

PRESSURE DISTRIBUTION SYSTEMS

SECTION 27A701 GENERAL

27A701.1 Scope. The provisions of this chapter shall govern the design and installation of *pressure distribution systems*.

SECTION 27A702 DESIGN LOADING RATE

27A702.1 General. A *pressure distribution system* shall be permitted for use on any site meeting the conventional *private sewage disposal system* criteria. There shall be not less than 150 mm (6 inches) to the top of the distribution piping from original grade for any *pressure distribution system*. The minimum required suitable soil depths from original grade for *pressure distribution systems* shall be in accordance with Table 27A702.1.

27A702.2 Absorption area. The total absorption area required shall be computed from the estimated daily wastewater flow and the design loading rate based on the percolation rate for the site. The required absorption area equals wastewater flow divided by the design loading rate from Table 702.2. Two systems of equal size shall be required for systems receiving effluents exceeding 18,925 L (5,000 gallons). Each system shall have a minimum capacity of 75 percent of the area required for a single system and shall be provided with a suitable means of alternating waste applications. A dual system shall be considered as one system.

27A702.3 Estimated wastewater flow. The estimated wastewater flow from a residence shall be 568 L (150 gallons) per bedroom per day. Waste-water flow rates for other occupancies in a 24-hour period shall be based on the values in Table 27A802.7.2.

SECTION 27A703 SYSTEM DESIGN

27A703.1 General. *Pressure distribution systems* shall discharge effluent into trenches or beds. Each pipe connected to an outlet of a manifold shall be counted as a separate distribution pipe. The horizontal spacing of distribution pipes shall be 760 mm to 1,830 mm (30 inches to 72 inches). The system shall be sized in accordance with the formulas listed in this section. Systems using Schedule 40 plastic pipe shall be sized in accordance with the formulas listed in this section or in accordance with the tables listed in Appendix I-2. Distribution piping shall be installed at the same elevation, unless an approved system provides for a design ensuring equal flow through each of the perforations and

the effluent is uniformly applied to the soil infiltrative surface (see Appendix I-1, Figure I-1-5).

27A703.2 Symbols. The following symbols and notations shall apply to the provisions of this chapter:

C_h	=	Hazen-Williams friction factor.
D	=	Distribution pipe diameter, inches (mm).
d	=	Perforation diameter, inches (mm).
D_d	=	Delivery pipe diameter, inches (mm).
D_m	=	Manifold pipe diameter, mm (inches).
f	=	Fraction of total head loss in the manifold segment.
F_D	=	Friction loss in the delivery pipe, mm of head (feet of head).
F_l	=	Friction factor for i^{th} manifold segment.
F_N	=	Friction loss in the network pipe, mm of head (feet of head).
h	=	Pressure in distribution pipe, mm of head (feet of head).
h_d	=	In-line pressure at distal end of lateral, mm of head (feet of head).
L_D	=	Length of delivery pipe, mm (feet).
L_l	=	Length of i^{th} manifold segment, mm (feet).
N	=	Number of perforations in the lateral.
q	=	Perforation discharge rate, L/min (gpm).
Q_l	=	Flow rate i^{th} manifold segment, L/min (gpm).
Q_m	=	Flow rate at manifold inlet, L/min (gpm).

703.3 Distribution pipe. Distribution pipe size, hole diameter and hole spacing shall be selected. The hole diameter and spacing shall be equal for each manifold segment. Distribution pipe size shall not be required to be the same for each segment. Changes in pressure in the distribution pipe shall be less than or equal to 10 percent by conforming to the following formula:

$$\sum \Delta h = 0.2 h_d \text{-----} \quad (\text{Formula 7-1})$$

where:

$$\Delta h = \frac{4.71 L \left(\frac{q}{C_h D^{2.65}} \right)^{1.85}}{11.79 d^2 \sqrt{h_d}}$$

Note: Formulas are in Inch Pound Units and shall be converted to metric units as needed.

The Hazen-Williams friction factor, C_h , for each pipe material shall be determined in accordance with Table 27A703.3.

**TABLE 27A702.1
SOIL REQUIRED**

DISTRIBUTION PIPE (millimetres)	SUITABLE SOIL (millimetres)
25	1,245
50	1,270
75	1,321
100	1,346

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch.

**TABLE 27A702.2
DESIGN LOADING RATE**

PERCOLATION RATE (second per mm)	DESIGN LOADING FACTOR (Litres per square metre per day)
0 to less than 24	0.030
24 to less than 72	0.020
72 to less than 108	0.018
108 to 144	0.010

For Inch Pound Units: 1 s/mm = 0.4167 minute per inch, 1 L/m² = 40 gallons per square foot.

**TABLE 27A703.3
HAZEN-WILLIAMS FRICTION FACTOR**

MATERIAL	FRICTION FACTOR, C_h
ABS plastic pipe	150
Asbestos-cement pipe	140
Bituminized fiber pipe	120
Cast-iron pipe	100
Concrete pipe	110
Copper or copper-alloy tubing	150
PVC plastic pipe	150
Vitrified clay pipe	100

27A703.4 Manifolds.

The diameter of the manifold pipe shall be determined by the following equation:

$$D_m = \left(\frac{\sum L_i F_i}{f h_d} \right)^{0.21} \quad \text{(Equation 7-1)}$$

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch.

where:

$$\begin{aligned}
 F_i &= 9.8 \times 10^{-4} Q_i \\
 q &= 11.79 d^2 \sqrt{h_d} \\
 Q_i &= Nq
 \end{aligned}$$

The fraction of the total head loss at the manifold segment, f , shall be less than or equal to 0.1. The in-line pressure at the distal end of the lateral, h_d , shall be not less than 760 mm (2.5 feet) of head. Distribution pipes shall be connected to the manifold with tees or 90-degree (1.57 rad) ells. Distribution pipes shall have the ends capped.

The fraction of the total head loss at the manifold segment, f , shall be less than or equal to 0.1. The in-line pressure at the distal end of the lateral, h_d , shall be not less than 760 mm (2.5 feet) of head. Distribution pipes shall be connected to the manifold with tees or 90-degree (1.57 rad) ells. Distribution pipes shall have the ends capped.

703.5 Friction loss. The delivery pipe shall include all pipe between the pump and the supply end of the distribution pipe. The friction loss in the delivery pipe, F_D , shall be determined by the following equation:

$$F_D = L_D \left(\frac{3.55 Q_m}{C_h D_d^{2.63}} \right)^{1.85} \quad \text{(Equation 7-2)}$$

Note: Formulas are in Inch Pound Units and shall be converted to metric units as needed.
For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch of head.

The Hazen-Williams friction factor, C_h , for each pipe material shall be determined in accordance with Table 27A703.3.

The friction loss in the network pipe shall be determined by the following equation:

$$F_N = 1.31 h_d \quad \text{(Equation 7-3)}$$

Note: Formulas are in Inch Pound Units and shall be converted to metric units as needed.
For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch of head.

Pipe in the system shall be increased in size if the friction loss is excessive.

27A703.6 Force main. Size of the force main between the pump and manifold shall be based on the friction loss and velocity of effluent through the pipe. The velocity of effluent in a force main shall be not more than 1,525 mm/s (5 feet per second).

invert plus the friction loss and not less than 760 mm (2.5 feet) where using low pressure distribution in the delivery pipe and network pipe.

27A705.2 Pump and alarm controls. The control system for the pumping chamber shall consist of a control for operating the pump and an alarm system to detect a pump. Pump start and stop depth controls shall be adjustable. Pump and alarm controls shall be of an approved type. Switches shall be resistant to sewage corrosion.

SECTION 27A704 BED AND TRENCH CONSTRUCTION

27A704.1 General. The excavation and construction for *pressure distribution system* trenches and beds shall be in accordance with Section 27A6 of this Chapter. Aggregate shall be not less than 150 mm (6 inches) beneath the distribution pipe with 51 mm (2 inches) spread evenly above the pipe. The aggregate shall be clean, nondeteriorating 12.5 mm to 64 mm (0.5-inch to 2.5-inch) stone.

27A705.3 Alarm system. Alarm systems shall consist of a bell or light, mounted in the structure, and shall be located to be easily seen or heard. The high-water sensing device shall be installed approximately 51 mm (2 inches) above the depth set for the "on" pump control but below the bottom of the inlet to the pumping chamber. Alarm systems shall be installed on a separate circuit from the electrical service.

SECTION 27A705 PUMPS

27A705.1 General. Pump selection shall be based on the discharge rate and total dynamic head of the pump performance curve. The total dynamic head shall be equal to the difference in mm (feet) of elevation between the pump and distribution pipe

27A705.4 Electrical connections. Electrical connections shall be located outside the pumping chamber.

SECTION 27A706

DOSING

27A706.1 General. The dosing frequency shall be not greater than four times daily. A volume per dose shall be established by dividing the daily wastewater

flow by the dosing frequency. The dosing volume shall be not less than 10 times the capacity of the distribution pipe volume. Table 27A706.1 provides the estimated volume for various pipe diameters.

**TABLE 27A706.1
ESTIMATED VOLUME FOR VARIOUS DIAMETER PIPES**

DIAMETER (millimetres)	VOLUME (Litres per millimetre)
25	0.000492
32	0.000768
38	0.001104
50	0.001968
75	0.004416
100	0.007865
125	0.017640

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 L/mm = 83.33 gallon per foot.

TANK

**SECTION 27A801
GENERAL**

27A801.1 Scope. The provisions of this chapter shall govern the design, installation, repair and maintenance of septic tanks, treatment tanks and holding tanks.

**SECTION 27A802
SEPTIC TANKS AND OTHER TREATMENT
TANKS**

27A802.1 General. Septic tanks shall be fabricated or constructed of welded steel, monolithic concrete, fiberglass or other approved material. Tanks shall be water tight and fabricated to constitute an individual structure, and shall be designed and constructed to withstand the anticipated loads. The design of prefabricated septic tanks shall be approved. Plans for siteconstructed concrete tanks shall be approved prior to construction.

27A802.2 Design of septic tanks. Septic tanks shall have not less than two compartments. The inlet compartment shall be not less than two-thirds of the total volumetric capacity of the tank, not less than a 1,893 L (500-gallon) liquid capacity and not less than 915 mm (3 feet) wide and 1,525 mm (5 feet) long. The secondary compartment of a septic tank shall have not less than a volumetric capacity of 946 L (250 gallons) and not more than one-third of the total volumetric capacity. The secondary compartment of

septic tanks having a capacity more than 5,678 L (1,500 gallons) shall be not less than 1,525 mm (5 feet) long.

The liquid depth shall be not less than 760 mm (30 inches) and a maximum average of 1,830 mm (6 feet). The total depth shall be not less than 205 mm (8 inches) greater than the liquid depth.

Rectangular tanks shall be constructed with the longest dimensions parallel to the direction of the flow.

Cylindrical tanks shall be not less than 1,220 mm (48 inches) in diameter.

27A802.3 Inlets and outlets. The inlet and outlet on all tanks or tank compartments shall be provided with open-end coated sanitary tees or baffles made of approved materials constructed to distribute flow and retain scum in the tank or compartments. The inlet and outlet openings on all tanks shall contain a stop or other provision that will prevent the insertion of the sewer piping beyond the inside wall of the tank. The tees or baffles shall extend not less than 150 mm (6 inches) above the liquid level, not less than 230 mm (9 inches) below the liquid level, and not greater than one-third the liquid depth below the liquid level. Not less than 51 mm (2 inches) of clear space shall be provided above the top of the baffles or tees. The bottom of the outlet opening shall be not less than 51 mm (2 inches) below the bottom of the inlet.

27A802.4 Manholes. Each compartment of a tank shall be provided with not fewer than one manhole

opening located over the inlet or outlet opening, and such opening shall be not less than 610 mm (24 inches) square or 610 mm (24 inches) in diameter. Where the inlet compartment of a septic tank exceeds 3,660 mm (12 feet) in length, an additional manhole shall be provided over the baffle wall. Manholes shall terminate not greater than 150 mm (6 inches) below the ground surface. Manholes shall be of the same material as the tank except that steel or aluminium manhole covers shall be permitted on concrete tanks. Steel tanks shall have not less than a 51 mm (2-inch) collar for the manhole extensions permanently welded to the tank. The manhole extension on fiberglass tanks shall be of the same material as the tank and an integral part of the tank. The collar shall be not less than 51 mm (2 inches) high.

27A802.5 Manhole covers. Manhole risers shall be provided with a fitted, water-tight cover of concrete, steel, cast iron or other approved material capable of withstanding all anticipated loads. Manhole covers terminating above grade shall have an approved locking device.

27A802.6 Inspection opening. An inspection opening shall be provided over either the inlet or outlet baffle of every treatment tank. The opening shall be not less than 100 mm (4 inches) in diameter with a tight-fitting cover. Inspection pipes terminating above ground shall be not less than 150 mm (6 inches) above finished grade. Inspection pipes approved for terminating below grade shall be not more than 51 mm (2 inches) below finished grade, and the location shall be permanently recorded.

27A802.7 Capacity and sizing. The capacity of a septic tank or other treatment tank shall be based on the number of persons using the building to be served or on the volume and type of waste, whichever is greater. The minimum liquid capacity shall be 2,839 L (750 gallons). Where the required capacity is to be provided by more than one tank, the minimum capacity of any tank shall be 2,839 L (750 gallons). The installation of more than four tanks in series is prohibited.

27A802.7.1 Sizing of tank. The minimum liquid capacity for one- and two-family dwellings shall be in accordance with Table 27A802.7.1.

27A802.7.2 Other buildings. For buildings, the liquid capacity shall be increased above the

2,839 L (750-gallon) minimum as established in Table 27A802.7.1. In buildings with kitchen or laundry waste, the tank capacity shall be increased to receive the anticipated volume for a 24-hour period from the kitchen or laundry or both. The liquid capacities established in Table 27A802.7.2 do not include employees.

Exception: One- or two-family dwellings.

27A802.8 Installation. Septic and other treatment tanks shall be located with a horizontal distance not less than specified in Table 27A802.8 between various elements. Tanks installed in ground water shall be securely anchored. A 76 mm (3-inch)-thick compacted bedding shall be provided for all septic and other treatment tank installations. The bedding material shall be sand, gravel, granite, limerock or other noncorrosive materials of such size that the material passes through a 12.5 mm (0.5-inch) screen.

27A802.9 Backfill. The backfill material for steel and fiberglass tanks shall be specified for bedding and shall be tamped into place without causing damage to the coating. The backfill for concrete tanks shall be soil material, which shall pass a 100 mm (4-inch) screen and be tamped into place.

27A802.10 Manhole riser joints. Joints on concrete risers and manhole covers shall be tongue-and-groove or shiplap type and sealed water tight using neat cement, mortar or bituminous compound. Joints on steel risers shall be welded or flanged and bolted and water tight. Steel manhole extensions shall be bituminous coated both inside and outside. Methods of attaching fiberglass risers shall be water tight and approved.

27A802.11 Dosing or pumping chambers. Dosing or pumping chambers shall be fabricated or constructed of welded steel, monolithic concrete, glass fiber-reinforced polyester or other approved materials. Manholes for dosing or pumping chambers shall terminate not less than 100 mm (4 inches) above the ground surface. Dosing or pumping chambers shall be water tight, and materials and construction specifications shall meet the same criteria specified for septic tanks in this chapter.

**TABLE 27A802.7.1
SEPTIC TANK CAPACITY**

FOR ONE- AND TWO-FAMILY DWELLINGS

NUMBER OF BEDROOMS	SEPTIC TANK (Litres)
1	2,839
2	2,839
3	3,785
4	4,542
5	5,394
6	6,245
7	7,097
8	7,949

For Inch Pound Units: 1 L = 0.2642 gallon.

TABLE 27A802.7.2
ADDITIONAL CAPACITY FOR OTHER BUILDINGS

BUILDING CLASSIFICATION	CAPACITY (Litres)
Assembly halls - Community Centres only (per person—no kitchen)	8
Bars and cocktail lounges (per patron space)	34
Beauty salons (per station—includes customers)	530
Camp, day use only—no meals served (per person)	57
Employees—in all buildings, per employee—total all shifts	76
Parks, toilet waste (per person – 75 persons per acre)	19
Places of religious worship—no kitchen (per person)	11
Retail store (Village shop only)	57

For Inch Pound Units: 1 L = 0.2642 gallon.

TABLE 27A802.8
MINIMUM HORIZONTAL SEPARATION DISTANCES FOR TREATMENT TANKS

ELEMENT	DISTANCE (millimetres)
Building	1,525
Cistern	7,620
Foundation wall	1,525
Lake, high water mark	7,620
Lot line	610
Pond	7,620
Reservoir	7,620
Spring	15,240
Storm water stream or watercourse (dry gully)	7,620
Swimming pool	4,572
Water service	1,525
Water well (cased for a depth of at least 22,860 mm)	7,620
Water well (uncased)	15,240

or Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.00328 foot

27A802.11.1 Capacity sizing. The working capacity of the dosing or pumping chamber shall be sized to permit automatic discharge of the total daily sewage flow with discharge occurring not more than four times per 24 hours. Minimum capacity of a dosing chamber shall be 1,893 L (500 gallons) and a space shall be provided between the bottom of the pump and floor of the dosing or pumping chamber. A dosing chamber shall have a 1-day holding capacity located above the high-water alarm for one- and two-family dwellings based on 379 L (100 gallons) per day per bedroom, or in the case of other buildings, in accordance with Section 27A802.7. Minimum pump chamber sizes are indicated for one- and two-family dwellings in Table 27A802.11.1. Where the total developed length of distribution piping exceeds 305,000 mm (1,000 feet), the dosing or pumping chamber shall have two siphons or pumps dosing alternately and serving one-half of the soil absorption system.

27A802.12 Design of other treatment tanks. The design of other treatment tanks shall be approved on an individual basis. The capacity, sizing and installation of the tank shall be in accordance with this section except as otherwise approved. Where a treatment tank is preceded by a conventional septic tank, credit shall be given for the capacity of the septic tank.

SECTION 27A803 MAINTENANCE AND SLUDGE DISPOSAL

27A803.1 Maintenance. Septic tanks and other treatment tanks shall be cleaned whenever the sludge and scum occupy one-third of the tank's liquid capacity.

27A803.2 Septage. Septage shall be disposed of at an EHU approved location.

SECTION 27A804 CHEMICAL RESTORATION

27A804.1 General. Products for chemical restoration or chemical restoration procedures for *private sewage disposal systems* shall not be used unless EHU approved and shall not structurally or chemically damage the walls or any other components of the sewage disposal system.

SECTION 27A805 HOLDING TANKS

27A805.1 Approval. The installation of a holding tank shall not be approved where the site can accommodate the installation of any other *private sewage disposal system* specified in this code. A pumping and maintenance

schedule for each holding tank installation shall be submitted to the code official.

27A805.2 Sizing. The minimum liquid capacity of a holding tank for one- and two-family dwellings shall be in accordance with Table 27A805.2. Other buildings shall have a minimum 5-day holding capacity, but not less than 7,570 L (2,000 gallons). Sizing shall be in accordance with Table 27A802.7.2. Not more than four holding tanks shall be installed in series.

27A805.3 Construction. Holding tanks shall be constructed of welded steel, monolithic concrete, glass-fiber-reinforced polyester or other approved materials.

27A805.4 Installation. Tanks shall be located in accordance with Section 27A802.8, except the tanks shall be not less than 6,100 mm (20 feet) from any part of a building. Holding tanks shall be located so the servicing manhole is located not less than 3,050 mm (10 feet) from an all-weather access road or drive.

27A805.5 Warning device. A high-water warning device shall be installed to activate 305 mm (1 foot) below the inlet pipe. This device shall be either an audible or an approved illuminated alarm. The electrical junction box, including warning equipment junctions, shall be located outside the holding tank or housed in waterproof, explosion proof enclosures. Electrical relays or controls shall be located outside the holding tank.

27A805.6 Manholes. Each tank shall be provided with either a manhole not less than 610 mm (24 inches) square or with a manhole having a 610 mm (24-inch) inside diameter extending not less than 100 mm (4 inches) above ground. Finished grade shall be sloped away from the manhole to divert surface water from the manhole. Each manhole cover shall have an effective locking device. Service ports in manhole covers shall be not less than 205 mm (8 inches) in diameter and shall be 100 mm (4 inches) above finished grade level. The service port shall have an effective locking cover or a brass cleanout plug.

27A805.7 Septic tank. The outlet shall be sealed where an approved septic tank is installed to serve as a holding tank. Removal of the inlet and outlet baffle shall not be prohibited.

27A805.8 Vent. Each tank shall be provided with a vent not less than 51 mm (2 inches) in diameter and shall extend not less than 305 mm (12 inches) above finished grade, terminating with a return bend fitting or approved vent cap.

**TABLE 27A802.11.1
PUMP CHAMBER SIZES**

NUMBER OF BEDROOMS	MINIMUM PUMPING CHAMBER SIZE (Litres)
1	1,890
2	1,890
3	2,235
4	2,235
5	3,780

For Inch Pound Units: 1 L = 0.2642 gallon

**TABLE 27A805.2
MINIMUM LIQUID CAPACITY OF HOLDING TANKS**

NUMBER OF BEDROOMS	TANK CAPACITY (Litres)
1	7,570
2	7,570
3	7,570
4	9,463
5	11,355
6	13,248
7	15,140
8	17,033

For Inch Pound Units: 1 L = 0.2642 gallon

MOUND SYSTEMS

**SECTION 27A901
GENERAL**

27A901.1 Scope. The provisions of this chapter shall govern the design and installation of mound systems.

**SECTION 27A902
SOIL AND SITE REQUIREMENTS**

27A902.1 Soil borings. Not less than three *soil borings* per site shall be conducted in accordance with Section 27A4 to determine the depth to seasonal or permanent soil saturation or bedrock. Identification of a replacement system area is not required.

27A902.2 Prohibited locations. A mound system shall be prohibited on sites not having the minimum depths of soil specified in Table 27A902.2. The installation of a mound in a filled area shall be prohibited. A mound shall not be installed in a compacted area or over a failing conventional system.

27A902.3 Slowly permeable soils with or without high ground water. Percolation tests shall be conducted at a depth of 510 mm to 610 mm (20 inches to 24 inches) from existing grade. Where a more slowly permeable horizon exists at less than 510 mm to 610 mm (20 inches to 24 inches), percolation tests shall be conducted within that horizon. A mound system shall be suitable for such site condition where the percolation rate is greater than 2.4 min/mm (60 minutes per inch) and less than or equal to 4.7 min/mm (120 minutes per inch).

27A902.4 Shallow permeable soils over creviced bedrock. Percolation tests shall be conducted at a depth of 305 mm to 455 mm (12 inches to 18 inches) from existing grade. Where a more slowly permeable horizon exists within 305 mm to 455 mm (12 inches to 18 inches), percolation tests shall be conducted within that horizon. A mound system shall be suitable for such site condition where the percolation rate is between 0.12 min/mm and 2.4 min/mm (3 minutes per inch & 60 minutes per inch).

27A902.5 Permeable soils with high ground water. Percolation tests shall be conducted at a depth of 510 mm to 610 mm (20 inches to 24 inches) from existing grade.

Where a more slowly permeable horizon exists at less than 510 mm to 610 mm (20 inches to 24 inches), percolation tests shall be

**TABLE 27A902.2
MINIMUM SOIL DEPTHS FOR MOUND SYSTEM INSTALLATION**

RESTRICTING FACTOR	MINIMUM SOIL DEPTH TO RESTRICTION (millimetres)
High ground water	610
Impermeable rock strata	1,525
Pervious rock	610
Rock fragments (50-percent volume)	610

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch

conducted within that horizon. A mound system shall be suitable for such site condition where the percolation rate is between 0 min/mm and 2.4 min/mm (0 minutes per inch and 60 minutes per inch).

27A902.6 Depth to pervious rock. Not less than 610 mm (24 inches) of unsaturated natural soil shall be over creviced or porous bedrock.

27A902.7 Depth to high ground water. Not less than 610 mm (24 inches) of unsaturated natural soil shall be present over high ground water as indicated by soil mottling or direct observation of water in accordance with Section 27A4.

27A902.8 Slopes. A mound shall not be installed on a slope greater than 6 percent where the percolation rate is between 1.2 and 4.7 min/mm (30 and 120 minutes per inch). The maximum allowable slope shall be 12 percent where there is a complex slope (slope in two directions).

27A902.9 Location of mound on sloping sites. The mound shall be located so the longest dimension of the mound and the distribution lines are perpendicular to the slope. The mound shall be placed upslope and not at the base of a slope. The mound shall be situated so the effluent is not concentrated in one direction where there is a complex slope (two directions). Surface water runoff shall be diverted around the mound.

27A902.10 Depth to rock strata or 50 percent by volume rock fragments. Not less than 1,525 mm (60 inches) of soil shall be present over uncreviced, impermeable bedrock. Where the soil contains 50-percent coarse fragments by volume in the upper 610 mm (24 inches), a mound shall not be installed except where

there is not less than 610 mm (24 inches) of permeable, unsaturated soil with less than 50-percent coarse fragments located beneath this layer.

**SECTION 27A903
SYSTEM DESIGN**

27A903.1 Mound dimensions and design. For one- and two-family dwellings and other buildings with estimated wastewater flows less than 2,271 L (600 gallons) per day, the mound dimensions shall be determined in accordance with this section or Tables 27A903.1(1) through 27A903.1(12). Dimensions and corresponding letter designations listed in the tables and referenced in this section are shown in Appendix U, Figures A-6 through A-10. For buildings with estimated wastewater flows exceeding 2,271 L (600 gallons) per day, the mound shall be designed in accordance with this section. Daily wastewater flow shall be estimated as 568 L (150 gallons) per day per bedroom for one- and two-family dwellings. For other buildings the total daily waste-water flow shall be determined in accordance with Table 27A802.7.2.

TABLE 903.1(1)
DESIGN CRITERIA FOR A MOUND FOR A ONE-BEDROOM HOME ON A 0- TO 6-
PERCENT SLOPE
WITH LOADING RATES OF 568 LITRES PER DAY FOR SLOWLY PERMEABLE SOIL

DESIGN PARAMETER		SLOPE (percent)			
		0	2	4	6
A	Trench width, millimetres	915	915	915	915
B	Trench length, millimetres	12,800	12,800	12,800	12,800
	Number of trenches	1	1	1	1
D	Mound height, millimetres	305	305	305	305
F	Mound height, millimetres	230	230	230	230
G	Mound height, millimetres	305	305	305	305
H	Mound height, millimetres	455	455	455	455
I	Mound width, millimetres ^a	4,575	4,575	4,575	4,575
J	Mound width, millimetres ^a	3,350	2,450	2,450	2,450
K	Mound length, millimetres	3,050	3,050	3,050	3,050
L	Mound length, millimetres	18,900	18,900	18,900	18,900
P	Distribution pipe length, millimetres	6,100	6,100	6,100	6,100
	Distribution pipe diameter, millimetres	25	25	25	25
	Number of holes per distribution pipe ^b	9	9	9	9
	Hole spacing, millimetres ^b	760	760	760	760
	Hole diameter, millimetres ^b	6.35	6.35	6.35	6.35
W	Mound width, millimetres	7,620	7,925	7,925	7,925

For SI: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 L = 0.2642 gallon.

a. Additional width to obtain required basal area.

b. Last hole is located at the end of the distribution pipe, which is 380 mm from the other hole.

TABLE 903.1(2)
DESIGN CRITERIA FOR A TWO-BEDROOM HOME FOR A MOUND ON A 0- TO 6-PERCENT
SLOPE
WITH LOADING RATES OF 1.136 LITRES PER DAY FOR SLOWLY PERMEABLE SOIL

DESIGN PARAMETER		SLOPE (percent)			
		0	2	4	6
A	Trench width, millimetres	915	915	915	915
B	Trench length, millimetres	12,800	12,800	12,800	12,800
	Number of trenches	2	2	2	2
C	Trench spacing, millimetres	4,572	4,572	4,572	4,572
D	Mound height, millimetres	305	305	305	305
E	Mound height, millimetres	305	430	635	635
F	Mound height, millimetres	230	230	230	230
G	Mound height, millimetres	305	305	305	305
H	Mound height, millimetres	455	455	455	455
I	Mound width, millimetres ^a	3,660	6,100	6,100	6,100
J	Mound width, millimetres	3,660	2,450	2,450	2,450
K	Mound length, millimetres	3,050	3,050	3,050	3,050
L	Mound length, millimetres	18,900	18,900	18,900	18,900
P	Distribution pipe length, millimetres	6,300	6,100	6,100	6,100
	Distribution pipe diameter, millimetres	25	25	25	25
	Number of holes per distribution pipe ^b	9	9	9	9
	Hole spacing, millimetres ^b	760	760	760	760
	Hole diameter, millimetres	6.35	6.35	6.35	6.35
R	Manifold length, millimetres	4,575	4,575	4,575	4,575
	Manifold diameter, millimetres ^c	51	51	51	51
W	Mound width, millimetres	12,800	14,020	14,020	14,020

For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm, 1 foot = 304.8 mm, 1 gallon = 3.785 L.

- a. Additional width to obtain required basal area.
- b. Last hole is located at the end of the distribution pipe, which is 380 mm from the other hole.
- c. Diameter dependent on the size of pipe from pump and inlet position.

TABLE 903.1(3)
DESIGN CRITERIA FOR A THREE-BEDROOM HOME FOR A MOUND ON A 0- TO 6-PERCENT SLOPE
WITH LOADING RATES OF 1,700 LITRES PER DAY FOR SLOWLY PERMEABLE SOIL

DESIGN PARAMETER		SLOPE (percent)			
		0	2	4	6
A	Trench width, millimetres	915	915	915	915
B	Trench length, millimetres	19,200	19,200	19,200	19,200
	Number of trenches	2	2	2	2
C	Trench spacing, millimetres	4,575	4,575	4,575	4,575
D	Mound height, millimetres	3,660	3,660	3,660	3,660
E	Mound height, millimetres	305	430	510	635
F	Mound height, millimetres	230	230	230	230
G	Mound height, millimetres	305	305	305	305
H	Mound height, millimetres	455	455	455	455
I	Mound width, millimetres ^a	3,660	6,100	6,100	6,100
J	Mound width, millimetres ^a	3,660	2,450	2,450	2,450
K	Mound length, millimetres	3,050	3,050	3,050	3,050
L	Mound length, millimetres	18,900	18,900	18,900	18,900
P	Distribution pipe length, millimetres	9,450	9,450	9,450	9,450
	Distribution pipe diameter, millimetres	32	32	32	32
	Number of holes per distribution pipe ^b	13	13	13	13
	Hole spacing, millimetres ^b	760	760	760	760
	Hole diameter, millimetres	6.35	6.35	6.35	6.35
R	Manifold length, millimetres	4,575	4,575	4,575	4,575
	Manifold diameter, millimetres ^c	51	51	51	51
W	Mound width, millimetres	12,800	14,020	14,020	14,020

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 L = 0.2642 gallon.

- Additional width to obtain required basal area.
- First hole is located 305 mm from the manifold.
- Diameter dependent on the size of pipe from pump and inlet position.

TABLE 903.1(4)
DESIGN CRITERIA FOR A FOUR-BEDROOM HOME FOR A MOUND ON A 0- TO 6-PERCENT SLOPE WITH
LOADING RATES OF 2,275 LITRES PER DAY FOR SLOWLY PERMEABLE SOIL

DESIGN PARAMETER		SLOPE (percent)			
		0	2	4	6
A	Trench width, millimetres	915	915	915	915
B	Trench length, millimetres	17,070	17,070	17,070	17,070
	Number of trenches	3	3	3	3

C	Trench spacing, millimetres	4,575	4,575	4,575	4,575
D	Mound height, millimetres	305	305	305	305
E	Mound height, millimetres	305	305	305	305
F	Mound height, millimetres	230	230	230	230
G	Mound height, millimetres	305	305	305	305
H	Mound height, millimetres	610	610	610	610
I	Mound width, millimetres ^a	3,660	6,100	6,100	6,100
J	Mound width, millimetres ^a	3,660	2,450	2,450	2,450
K	Mound length, millimetres	3,660	3,660	3,660	4,268
L	Mound length, millimetres	24,380	24,380	24,380	25,600
P	Distribution pipe length, millimetres	8,380	8,380	8,380	8,380
	Distribution pipe diameter, millimetres	32	32	32	32
	Number of holes per distribution pipe ^b	12	12	12	12
	Hole spacing, millimetres ^b	760	760	760	760
	Hole diameter, millimetres	6.35	6.35	6.35	6.35
R	Manifold length, millimetres	9,145	9,145	9,145	9,145
	Manifold diameter, millimetres ^c	51	51	51	51
W	Mound width, millimetres	17,375	18,592	18,592	18,592

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 L = 0.2642 gallon.

- a. Additional width to obtain required basal area.
- b. Last hole is located at the end of the distribution pipe, which is 380 mm from the previous hole.
- c. Diameter dependent on the size of pipe from pump and inlet position.

TABLE 903.1(5)
DESIGN CRITERIA FOR A ONE-BEDROOM HOME FOR A MOUND ON A 0- TO 12-PERCENT
SLOPE WITH
LOADING RATES OF 568 LITRES PER DAY FOR SHALLOW PERMEABLE SOIL OVER
CREVICED BEDROCK

DESIGN PARAMETER		PERCOLATION RATE (seconds per millimetre)						
		SLOPE (percent)						
		7.2 to 144				7.2 to less than 72		
		0	2	4	6	8	10 ^a	12 ^a
A	Bed width, millimetres ^b	3,050	3,050	3,050	3,050	3,050	3,050	3,050
B	Bed length, millimetres	3,965	3,965	3,965	3,965	3,965	3,965	3,965
D	Mound height, millimetres	610	610	610	610	610	610	610
E	Mound height, millimetres	610	660	737	788	864	915	965
F	Mound height, millimetres	230	230	230	230	230	230	230

G	Mound height, millimetres	305	305	305	305	305	305	305
H	Mound height, millimetres	455	455	455	455	455	455	455
I	Mound width, millimetres	3,660	3,965	4,268	5,182	5,486	6,400	7,925
J	Mound width, millimetres	3,660	3,355	3,050	3,050	2,745	2,745	2,745
K	Mound length, millimetres	3,660	3,660	3,660	3,965	3,965	3,965	4,575
L	Mound length, millimetres	11,278	11,278	11,278	11,888	11,888	11,888	13,105
P	Distribution pipe length, millimetres ^c	3,810	3,810	3,810	3,810	3,810	3,810	3,810
	Distribution pipe diameter, millimetres	25	25	25	25	25	25	25
	Number of distribution pipes	6	6	6	6	6	6	6
R	Manifold length, millimetres	1,830	1,830	1,830	1,830	1,830	1,830	1,830
	Manifold diameter, millimetres ^c	51	51	51	51	51	51	51
S	Distribution pipe spacing, millimetres	915	915	915	915	915	915	915
	Number of holes per distribution pipe ^d	6	6	6	6	6	6	6
	Hole spacing, millimetres ^d	760	760	760	760	760	760	760
	Hole diameter, millimetres	6.35	6.35	6.35	6.35	6.35	6.35	6.35
W	Mound width, millimetres	10,364	10,364	10,364	11,278	11,278	12,500	13,716

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 L = 0.2642 gallon, 1 s/mm = 0.4167 minute per inch.

- a. On sites with a 10- to 12-percent slope, the fill depth (*D*) shall be reduced to not less than 455 mm or the bed width shall be reduced to decrease *E* (downslope fill depth, millimetres).
- b. Bed widths shall not be limited.
- c. Use a manifold with distribution pipes on only one side.
- d. Last hole is located at the end of the distribution pipe, which is 380 mm from the previous hole.

TABLE 903.1(6)
DESIGN CRITERIA FOR A TWO-BEDROOM HOME FOR A MOUND ON A 0- TO 12-PERCENT SLOPE WITH LOADING RATES OF 1,136 LITRES PER DAY FOR SHALLOW PERMEABLE SOIL OVER CREVICED BEDROCK

DESIGN PARAMETER		PERCOLATION RATE (seconds per millimetre)						
		SLOPE (percent)						
		7.2 to 144			7.2 to less than 72			
		0	2	4	6	8	10 ^a	12 ^a
A	Bed width, millimetres ^b	3,050	3,050	3,050	3,050	3,050	3,050	3,050
B	Bed length, millimetres	7,620	7,620	7,620	7,620	7,620	7,620	7,620

D	Mound height, millimetres	610	610	610	610	610	610	610
E	Mound height, millimetres	610	660	737	788	864	915	966
F	Mound height, millimetres	230	230	230	230	230	230	230
G	Mound height, millimetres	305	305	305	305	305	305	305
H	Mound height, millimetres	455	455	455	455	455	455	455
I	Mound width, millimetres	3,660	3,964	4,268	5,182	5,486	6,401	7,925
J	Mound width, millimetres	3,660	3,355	3,050	3,050	2,745	2,745	2,745
K	Mound length, millimetres	3,660	3,660	3,660	3,964	3,964	3,964	4,575
L	Mound length, millimetres	14,935	14,935	14,935	15,545	15,545	15,545	16,764
P	Distribution pipe length, millimetres ^c	3,660	3,660	3,660	3,660	3,660	3,660	3,660
	Distribution pipe diameter, millimetres	25	25	25	25	25	25	25
	Number of distribution pipes	6	6	6	6	6	6	6
R	Manifold length, millimetres	1,830	1,830	1,830	1,830	1,830	1,830	1,830
	Manifold diameter, millimetres	51	51	51	51	51	51	51
S	Distribution pipe spacing, millimetres	915	915	915	915	915	915	915
	Number of holes per distribution pipe ^d	5	5	5	5	5	5	5
	Hole spacing, millimetres ^d	762	762	762	762	762	762	762
	Hole diameter, millimetres	6.35	6.35	6.35	6.35	6.35	6.35	6.35
W	Mound width, millimetres	10,364	10,364	10,364	11,278	11,278	12,495	13,716

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 000328 foot, 1 L = 0.2642 gallon, 1 s/mm = 0.4167 minute per inch.

- On sites with a 10- to 12-percent slope, the fill depth (D) shall be reduced to not less than 455 mm or the bed width shall be reduced to decrease E (downslope fill depth, millimetres).
- Bed widths shall not be limited.
- This design is based on a manifold with distribution pipes on both sides. An alternative design basis is 7,315-mm distribution pipes, with manifold at the end.
- Last hole is located 229 mm from the end of the distribution pipe.

**TABLE 903.1(7)
DESIGN CRITERIA FOR A THREE-BEDROOM HOME FOR A MOUND ON A 0- TO
12-PERCENT SLOPE
WITH LOADING RATES OF 1,700 LITRES PER DAY FOR SHALLOW PERMEABLE SOIL
OVER CREVICED BEDROCK**

DESIGN PARAMETER		PERCOLATION RATE (seconds per millimetre) SLOPE (percent)						
		7.2 to 144		7.2 to less than 72				
		0	2	4	6	8	10 ^a	12 ^a
A	Bed width, millimetres ^b	3,050	3,050	3,050	3,050	3,050	3,050	3,050
B	Bed length, millimetres	11,582	11,582	11,582	11,582	11,582	11,582	11,582
D	Mound height, millimetres	610	610	610	610	610	610	610
E	Mound height, millimetres	610	660	737	788	864	915	965
F	Mound height, millimetres	230	230	230	230	230	230	230
G	Mound height, millimetres	305	305	305	305	305	305	305

H	Mound height, millimetres	455	455	455	455	455	455	455
I	Mound width, millimetres	3,660	3,962	4,268	5,182	5,487	6,401	7,925
J	Mound width, millimetres	3,660	3,353	3,050	3,050	2,744	2,744	2,744
K	Mound length, millimetres	3,660	3,660	3,660	3,962	3,962	3,962	4,572
L	Mound length, millimetres	18,900	18,900	18,900	19,510	19,510	19,510	20,726
25P	Distribution pipe length, millimetres ^c	5,640	5,640	5,640	5,640	5,640	5,640	5,640
	Distribution pipe diameter, millimetres	25	25	25	25	25	25	25
	Number of distribution pipes	6	6	6	6	6	6	6
R	Manifold length, millimetres	1,830	1,830	1,830	1,830	1,830	1,830	1,830
	Manifold diameter, millimetres	51	51	51	51	51	51	51
S	Distribution pipe spacing, millimetres	915	915	915	915	915	915	915
	Number of holes per distribution pipe ^d	8	8	8	8	8	8	8
	Hole spacing, millimetres ^d	760	760	760	760	760	760	760
	Hole diameter, millimetres	6.35	6.35	6.35	6.35	6.35	6.35	6.35
W	Mound width, millimetres	10,364	10,364	10,364	11,280	11,280	12,500	13,716

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 L = 0.2642 gallon, 1 s/mm = 0.4157 minute per inch.

- a. On sites with a 10- to 12-percent slope, the fill depth (D) shall be reduced to not less than 455 mm or the bed width shall be reduced to decrease E (downslope fill depth, millimetres).
- b. Bed widths shall not be limited.
- c. Use a manifold with distribution pipes on both sides.
- d. Last hole is located 686 mm from the end of the distribution pipe.

**TABLE 903.1(8)
DESIGN CRITERIA FOR A FOUR-BEDROOM HOME FOR A MOUND ON A 0- TO
12-PERCENT SLOPE WITH
LOADING RATES OF 2,275 LITRES PER DAY FOR SHALLOW PERMEABLE SOIL OVER
CREVICED BEDROCK**

DESIGN PARAMETER		PERCOLATION RATE (seconds per millimetre) SLOPE (percent)						
		7.2 to 144				7.2 to less than 72		
		0	2	4	6	8	10 ^a	12 ^a
A	Bed width, millimetres ^b	3,050	3,050	3,050	3,050	3,050	3,050	3,050
B	Bed length, millimetres	15,240	15,240	15,240	15,240	15,240	15,240	15,240
D	Mound height, millimetres	610	610	610	610	610	610	610
E	Mound height, millimetres	610	660	737	788	864	915	965
F	Mound height, millimetres	230	230	230	230	230	230	230

G	Mound height, millimetres	305	305	305	305	305	305	305
H	Mound height, millimetres	455	455	455	455	455	455	455
I	Mound width, millimetres	3,660	3,962	4,268	5,182	5,486	6,401	7,925
J	Mound width, millimetres	3,660	3,353	3,050	3,050	2,745	2,745	2,745
K	Mound length, millimetres	3,660	3,660	3,660	3,962	3,962	3,962	4,572
L	Mound length, millimetres	22,555	22,555	22,555	23,165	23,165	23,165	23,775
P	Distribution pipe length, millimetres ^c	7,468	7,468	7,468	7,468	7,468	7,468	7,468
	Distribution pipe diameter, millimetres	25	25	25	25	25	25	25
	Number of distribution pipes	6	6	6	6	6	6	6
R	Manifold length, millimetres	1,830	1,830	1,830	1,830	1,830	1,830	1,830
	Manifold diameter, millimetres	51	51	51	51	51	51	51
S	Distribution pipe spacing, millimetres	915	915	915	915	915	915	915
	Number of holes per distribution pipe ^d	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
	Hole spacing, millimetres ^d	760	760	760	760	760	760	760
	Hole diameter, millimetres	6.35	6.35	6.35	6.35	6.35	6.35	6.35
W	Mound width, millimetres	10,364	10,364	10,364	11,280	11,280	12,500	13,716

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 L = 0.2642 gallon, 1 s/mm = 0.4157 minute per inch.

- On sites with a 10- to 12-percent slope, the fill depth (D) shall be reduced to not less than 455 mm or the bed width shall be reduced to decrease *E* (downslope fill depth, millimetres).
- Bed widths shall not be limited.
- Use a manifold with distribution pipes on only one side.
- Last hole is located 229 mm from the end of the distribution pipe.

TABLE 903.1(9)
DESIGN CRITERIA FOR A ONE-BEDROOM HOME FOR A MOUND ON A 0- TO
12-PERCENT SLOPE WITH
LOADING RATES OF 568 LITRES PER DAY FOR PERMEABLE SOIL WITH A HIGH
WATER TABLE

DESIGN PARAMETER		PERCOLATION RATE (seconds per millimetre)						
		SLOPE (percent)						
		0 to 144				0 to less than 72		
		0	2	4	6	8	10	12
A	Bed width, millimetres	1,220	1,220	1,220	1,220	1,220	1,220	1,220
B	Bed length, millimetres	9,754	9,754	9,754	9,754	9,754	9,754	9,754
D	Mound height, millimetres	305	305	305	305	305	305	305
E	Mound height, millimetres	305	330	355	355	406	432	455
F	Mound height, millimetres	230	230	230	230	230	230	230
G	Mound height, millimetres	305	305	305	305	305	305	305

H	Mound height, millimetres	455	455	455	455	455	455	455
I	Mound width, millimetres	2,744	3,050	3,355	3,660	3,962	4,268	4,572
J	Mound width, millimetres	2,744	2,744	2,450	2,450	2,150	2,150	1,830
K	Mound length, millimetres	3,050	3,050	3,050	3,050	3,050	3,355	3,355
L	Mound length, millimetres	15,850	15,850	15,850	15,850	15,850	15,850	15,850
P	Distribution pipe length millimetres	4,725	4,725	4,725	4,725	4,725	4,725	4,725
	Distribution pipe diameter, millimetres	25	25	25	25	25	25	25
	Number of distribution pipes	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
	Number of holes per distribution pipe ^a	7	7	7	7	7	7	7
	Hole spacing, millimetres ^a	760	760	760	760	760	760	760
	Hole diameter, millimetres	6.35	6.35	6.35	6.35	6.35	6.35	6.35
W	Mound width, millimetres	6,706	7,010	7,010	7,315	7,315	7,620	7,620

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 L = 0.2642 gallon, 1 s/mm = 0.4157 minute per inch.

- a. On sites with a 10- to 12-percent slope, the fill depth (D) shall be reduced to not less than 455 mm or the bed width shall be reduced to decrease *E* (downslope fill depth, millimetres).
- b. Bed widths shall not be limited.
- c. Use a manifold with distribution pipes on only one side.
- d. Last hole is located at the end of the distribution pipe, which is 380 mm from the previous hole.

TABLE 903.1(10)
DESIGN CRITERIA FOR A TWO-BEDROOM HOME FOR A MOUND ON A 0- TO
12-PERCENT SLOPE WITH
LOADING RATES OF 1,135 LITRES PER DAY FOR PERMEABLE SOIL WITH A HIGH
WATER TABLE

DESIGN PARAMETER		PERCOLATION RATE (seconds per millimetre) SLOPE (percent)						
		0 to 144				0 to less than 72		
		0	2	4	6	8	10	12
A	Bed width, millimetres	1,830	1,830	1,830	1,830	1,830	1,830	1,830
B	Bed length, millimetres	12,800	12,800	12,800	12,800	12,800	12,800	12,800
D	Mound height, millimetres	305	305	305	305	305	305	305
E	Mound height, millimetres	305	330	355	430	455	480	560
F	Mound height, millimetres	230	230	230	230	230	230	230
G	Mound height, millimetres	305	305	305	305	305	305	305
H	Mound height, millimetres	455	455	455	455	455	455	455
I	Mound width, millimetres	2,750	3,050	3,353	3,660	3,962	4,572	4,877
J	Mound width, millimetres	2,750	2,750	2,450	2,450	2,150	2,150	1,830
K	Mound length, millimetres	3,050	3,050	3,050	3,050	3,050	3,353	3,353
L	Mound length, millimetres	18,900	18,900	18,900	18,900	18,900	19,508	19,508
25P	Distribution pipe length, millimetres ^a	6,100	6,100	6,100	6,100	6,100	6,100	6,100
	Distribution pipe diameter, millimetres	25	25	25	25	25	25	25
	Number of distribution pipes	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
R	Manifold length, millimetres	915	915	915	915	915	915	915
	Manifold diameter, millimetres	51	51	51	51	51	51	51
S	Distribution pipe spacing, millimetres	915	915	915	915	915	915	915
	Number of holes per distribution pipe ^b	9	9	9	9	9	9	9
	Hole spacing, millimetres ^b	760	760	760	760	760	760	760
	Hole diameter, millimetres	6.35	6.35	6.35	6.35	6.35	6.35	6.35
W	Mound width, millimetres	7,315	7,620	7,620	7,925	7,925	8,535	8,840

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 L = 0.2642 gallon, 1 s/mm = 0.4157 minute per inch.

- a. Use a manifold with distribution pipes only on one side.
- b. Last hole is located at the end of the distribution pipe, which is 380 mm from the previous hole.

TABLE 903.1(11)
DESIGN CRITERIA FOR A THREE-BEDROOM HOME FOR A MOUND ON A 0- TO
12-PERCENT SLOPE WITH
LOADING RATES OF 1,700 GALLONS PER DAY FOR PERMEABLE SOIL WITH A HIGH
WATER TABLE

DESIGN PARAMETER		PERCOLATION RATE (seconds per millimetre)						
		SLOPE (percent)						
		0 to 144				0 to less than 72		
		0	2	4	6	8	10	12
A	Bed width, millimetres	2,450	2,450	2,450	2,450	2,450	2,450	2,450
B	Bed length, millimetres	14,326	14,326	14,326	14,326	14,326	14,326	14,326
D	Mound height, millimetres	305	305	305	305	305	305	305
E	Mound height, millimetres	305	305	406	455	483	560	610
F	Mound height, millimetres	230	230	230	230	230	230	230
G	Mound height, millimetres	305	305	305	305	305	305	305
H	Mound height, millimetres	455	455	455	455	455	455	455
I	Mound width, millimetres	2,744	3,353	3,660	3,962	4,572	5,182	5,486
J	Mound width, millimetres	2,744	2,744	2,450	2,450	2,150	2,150	1,830
K	Mound length, millimetres	3,050	3,050	3,050	3,050	3,050	3,353	3,660
L	Mound length, millimetres	20,422	20,422	20,422	20,422	21,032	21,032	21,641
P	Distribution pipe length, millimetres	7,010	7,010	7,010	7,010	7,010	7,010	7,010
	Distribution pipe diameter, millimetres	25	25	25	25	25	25	25
	Number of distribution pipes	6	6	6	6	6	6	6
R	Manifold length, millimetres	19,508	19,508	19,508	19,508	19,508	19,508	19,508
	Manifold diameter, millimetres	51	51	51	51	51	51	51
S	Distribution pipe spacing, millimetres	9,754	9,754	9,754	9,754	9,754	9,754	9,754
	Number of holes per distribution pipe ^a	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
	Hole spacing, millimetres ^a	760	760	760	760	760	760	760
	Hole diameter, millimetres	6.35	6.35	6.35	6.35	6.35	6.35	6.35
W	Mound width, millimetres	7,924	8,535	8,535	8,840	9,144	9,754	9,754

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 L = 0.2642 gallon, 1 s/mm = 0.4157 minute per inch.

a. Last hole is located at the end of the distribution pipe, which is 21 inches from the previous hole.

TABLE 903.1(12)
DESIGN CRITERIA FOR A FOUR-BEDROOM HOME FOR A MOUND ON A 0- TO
12-PERCENT SLOPE WITH
LOADING RATES OF 2.275 LITRES PER DAY FOR PERMEABLE SOIL WITH A
HIGH WATER TABLE

DESIGN PARAMETER		PERCOLATION RATE (seconds per millimetre)						
		SLOPE (percent)						
		0 to 144				0 to less than 72		
		0	2	4	6	8	10	12
A	Bed width, feet	3,050	3,050	3,050	3,050	3,050	3,050	3,050
B	Bed length, feet	15,240	15,240	15,240	15,240	15,240	15,240	15,240
D	Mound height, inches	305	305	305	305	305	305	305
E	Mound height, inches	305	356	432	483	559	610	660
F	Mound height, inches	230	230	230	230	230	230	230
G	Mound height, inches	305	305	305	305	305	305	305
H	Mound height, inches	455	455	455	455	455	455	455
I	Mound width, feet	2,744	3,353	3,962	4,268	5,182	5,486	5,791
J	Mound width, feet	2,744	2,744	2,450	2,450	2,150	2,150	1,830
K	Mound length, feet	3,050	3,050	3,050	3,050	3,353	3,353	3,660
L	Mound length, feet	21,336	21,336	21,336	21,336	21,946	21,946	22,555
P	Distribution pipe length, feet	7,468	7,468	7,468	7,468	7,468	7,468	7,468
	Distribution pipe diameter, inches	25	25	25	25	25	25	25
	Number of distribution pipes	6	6	6	6	6	6	6
R	Manifold length, feet	1,830	1,830	1,830	1,830	1,830	1,830	1,830
	Manifold diameter, inches	51	51	51	51	51	51	51
S	Distribution pipe spacing, feet	915	915	915	915	915	915	915
	Number of holes per distribution pipe ^a	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
	Hole spacing, inches ^a	760	760	760	760	760	760	760
	Hole diameter, inches	6.35	6.35	6.35	6.35	6.35	6.35	6.35
W	Mound width, feet	8,535	8,840	9,449	9,754	10,363	10,668	10,973

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 L = 0.2642 gallon, 1 s/mm = 0.4157 minute per inch.

1. Last hole is located at the end of the distribution pipe, which is 21 inches from the previous hole.

27A903.1.1 Symbols. The following symbols and notations shall apply to the provisions of this section.

A = Bed or trench width, millimetres (feet).

A_A = Required absorption area, square metres (square feet).

B = Bed or trench length, millimetres (feet).

B_A = Basal area, square metres (square feet).

C = Trench spacing, millimetres (feet).

C = Infiltration capacity of natural soil, L/mm/day (gallons per foot per day).

D = Fill depth, millimetres (feet).

E = Downslope fill depth, millimetres (feet).

F = Bed or trench depth, millimetres (feet).

G = Minimum cap and topsoil depth, millimetres (feet).

H = Cap and topsoil depth at center of mound, millimetres (feet).

I = Downslope width, millimetres (feet).

J = Upslope width, millimetres (feet).

K = End slope length, millimetres (feet).

L = Total mound length, millimetres (feet).

N = Number of trenches.

P = Distribution pipe length, millimetres (feet).

R = Manifold length, millimetres (feet).

S = Distribution pipe spacing, millimetres (feet).

S_D = Downslope correction factor.

S_U = Upslope correction factor.
 T_W = Total daily waste-water flow, Litres/day (gallons per day).
 W = Total mound width, millimetres (feet).
 X = Slope, percent.

27A903.2 Size of absorption area.

The absorption area shall be sized based on the daily wastewater flow and the infiltrative capacity of the medium sand texture fill material, equaling 0.03 L/m² (1.2 gallons per square foot) per day. The required absorption area shall be determined by the following equation:

For SI:

$$A_A = \frac{3.785 T_W}{0.03 \text{ L/m}^2/\text{day}} \text{ ----- (Eq'n 9-1)}$$

For IPU: 1 m² = 10.7643 ft², 1 L = 0.2642 gallon.

For Inch Pound Units:

$$A_A = \frac{T_W}{1.2 \text{ gal./ft}^2/\text{day}}$$

For SI: 1 ft² = 0.0929 m², 1 gallon = 3.785 L.

27A903.3 Trenches. Effluent shall be distributed in the mound through a trench system for slowly permeable soils with or without high ground water. Trench length shall be selected by determining the longest dimension perpendicular to any slope on the site. Trench width and spacing is dependent on specific site conditions. Trenches shall be 610 mm to 1,220 mm (2 feet to 4 feet) wide. Trench length (B) shall be not more than 30,500 mm (100 feet). Trenches shall be of equal length where more than one trench is required. A mound shall not have more than three trenches. Trench spacing (C) shall be determined by the following equation:

For SI:

$$C = \frac{T_W}{N \times 0.48 \text{ L/m}^2 \times B} \text{ ----- (Equation 9-2)}$$

For Inch Pound Units:

$$C = \frac{T_W}{N \times 0.24 \text{ gal./ft}^2/\text{day} \times B}$$

For SI: 1 gallon = 3.785 L, 1 square foot = 0.0929 m².

The calculated trench spacing (C) shall be measured from center to center of the trenches. Facilities with 56,775 L (1,500 gallons) per day and more shall be designed only by a registered design engineer and approved for use with a trench system.

27A903.4 Beds. A long, narrow bed design shall be used for permeable soils with high water tables. The bed shall be square or rectangular for shallow permeable soils over bedrock. The bed length (B) shall be set after determining the longest dimension available and perpendicular to any slope on the site.

27A903.5 Mound dimensions. The mound height shall consist of the fill depth, bed or trench depth, the cap and topsoil depths.

27A903.5.1 Fill depth.

The fill depth (D) shall be not less than 1 foot (305 mm) for slowly permeable soils and permeable soils with high water tables and not less than 610 mm (2 feet) of fill shall be required for shallow permeable soils over bedrock. Additional fill shall be placed at the downslope end of the bed or trench where the site is not level so the bottom of the bed or trench is level. The downslope fill depth for bed systems shall be determined by the following equation:

$$E = D + XA \text{ ----- (Equation 9-3)}$$

For SI: 1 foot = 304.8 mm.

The downslope fill depth for trench systems shall be determined by the following equation:

$$E = D + X(C + A) \text{ ----- (Equation 9-4)}$$

For SI: 1 foot = 304.8 mm.

27A903.5.2 Bed or trench depth. The bed or trench depth (F) shall be not less than 230 mm (9 inches) and not less than 150 mm (6 inches) of aggregate shall be placed under the distribution pipes and not less than 51 mm (2 inches) of aggregate shall be placed over the top of the distribution pipes.
 (Equation 9-2)

27A903.5.3 Cap and topsoil depth. The cap and topsoil depth (H) at the center of the mound shall be not less than 455 mm (18 inches), which includes 305 mm (1 foot) of subsoil and 150 mm (6 inches) of topsoil. Outer edges of the mound,

G (the minimum cap and topsoil depth), shall be not less than 305 mm (1 foot), which includes 150 mm (6 inches) of subsoil and 150 mm (6 inches) of topsoil. The soil used for the cap shall be topsoil or finer textured subsoil capable of supporting vegetative growth.

27A903.5.4 Mound lengths. The total mound length (*L*) shall be determined by the following equation:

$$L = B + 2K \text{ ----- (Equation 9-5)}$$

For SI: 1 foot = 304.8 mm.

where:

$$K = 3 \left[\frac{(D + E)}{2} + F + H \right]$$

27A903.5.5 Mound widths. The mound width for a bed system shall be determined by the following equation:

$$W = J + A + I \text{ ----- (Equation 9-6)}$$

For SI: 1 foot = 304.8 mm.

The mound width for a trench system shall be determined by the following equation:

$$W = J + \frac{A}{2} + C(N - 1) - \frac{A}{2} + I \text{ --- (Equation 9-7)}$$

For SI: 1 foot = 304.8 mm.

where:

$$J = 3(D + F) \text{ (Equation 9-5)}$$

$$I = 3(E + F + G)S_D$$

The upslope correction factor (S_U) and the downslope correction factor (S_D) shall be determined based on the slope in accordance with Table 27A903.5.5.

$$\text{(Equation 9-6)}$$

**TABLE 903.5.5
DOWNSLOPE AND UPSLOPE WIDTH CORRECTIONS
FOR MOUNDS ON SLOPING SITES**

SLOPE (percent)	DOWNSLOPE CORRECTION FACTOR (S_D)	UPSLOPE CORRECTION FACTOR (S_U)
0	1	1
1	1.03	0.97
2	1.06	0.94
3	1.10	0.915
4	1.14	0.89
5	1.18	0.875
6	1.22	0.86
7	1.27	0.83
8	1.32	0.80
9	1.38	0.785
10	1.44	0.77
11	1.51	0.75
12	1.57	0.73

27A903.6 Basal area.

The minimum basal area required shall be determined by the following equation:

$$B_A = \frac{T_W}{C_r} \tag{Equation 9-8}$$

For SI: 1 square foot = 0.0929 m².

The infiltrative capacity of natural soil shall be determined on the percolation rate in accordance with Table 27A903.6.

**TABLE 27A903.6
INFILTRATIVE CAPACITY OF NATURAL SOIL**

PERCOLATION RATE (seconds per millimetre)	INFILTRATIVE CAPACITY (Litres per millimetre per day)
Less than 72	0.0144
72 to 144	0.0089
More than 144 to 288	0.0029

For Inch Pound Units: 1 L/mm/day = 83.33 gallon per foot per day, 1 s/mm = 0.4167 minute per inch.

27A903.6.1 Basal area available in bed system. The available basal area for a bed system shall be determined by one of the following equations:

$$B_A = B(A + I) \text{ for sloping sites ----- (Eqn 9-9)}$$

$$B_A = BW \text{ for level sites ----- (Eqn 9-10)}$$

For Inch Pound Units: 1 m² = 10.7643 square foot.

27A903.6.2 Basal area available in trench system. The available basal area for a trench system shall be determined by one of the following equations:

$$B_A = B \left(W + J + \frac{A}{2} \right) \text{ for sloping sites ----- (Eqn 9-11)}$$

$$B_A = BW \text{ for level sites ----- (Eqn 9-12)}$$

For SI: 1 square foot = 0.0929 m².

27A903.6.3 Adequacy of basal area. The downslope width (*I*) on a sloping site shall be increased or the upslope width (*J*) and downslope (*I*) widths on a level site shall be increased until sufficient area is available if the basal area available is not equal to or greater than the basal area required.

27A903.7 Dose volume and pump. The dose volume and pump shall conform to the requirements of Sections 27A7 and 27A8.

SECTION 27A904 CONSTRUCTION TECHNIQUES

27A904.1 General. Construction shall not commence where the soil is so wet a soil wire forms when the soil is rolled between the hands.

27A904.2 Site preparation. Excess vegetation shall be cut and removed from the mound area. Small trees and shrubs shall be cut to within 150 mm (6 inches) of grade surface, leaving the stumps in place.

27A904.3 Force main. The force main from the pumping chamber shall be installed before the mound site is plowed. The force main shall be sloped uniformly toward the pumping chamber so the force main drains back to the pump after each dose.

27A904.4 Plowing. The site shall be plowed with a moldboard plow or chisel plow. Plowing shall descend to a depth of 178 mm to 205 mm (7 inches to 8 inches) and shall be done perpendicular to the slope. Rototillers shall not be used. The sand fill shall be placed immediately after plowing. Foot and vehicular traffic shall be kept off the plowed area.

27A904.5 Sand fill material. The fill material shall be medium sand texture defined as 25 percent or more of very coarse, coarse and medium sand and not more than 50 percent fine sand, very fine sand, silt and clay. The percentage of silt plus one and one-half times the percentage of clay shall not exceed 15 percent. Fill materials with higher content of silt and clay shall not be used.

CESSPOOLS/SEWER PITS

SECTION 27A1001

27A904.5.1 Placement of sand fill. The medium sand fill shall be moved into place from the upslope and side edges of the plowed area. Vehicular traffic shall be prohibited in the area extending to 7,620 mm (25 feet) beyond the downslope edge of the mound. The sand fill shall be moved into place with a track-type tractor and not less than 150 mm (6 inches) of sand shall be kept beneath the tracks at all times.

27A904.6 Installation of the absorption area. The bed or trenches shall be formed within the sand fill. The bottom of the trenches or bed shall be level. The elevation of the bottom of the trenches or bed shall be checked at the upslope and downslope edges to ensure that the fill has been placed to the proper depth.

27A904.7 Placement of the aggregate. Not less than 150 mm (6 inches) of coarse aggregate ranging in size from 12.5 mm to 64 mm (½ inch to 2½ inches) shall be placed in the bed or trench excavation. The top of the aggregate shall be leveled.

27A904.8 Distribution system. Distribution systems shall be placed on the aggregate, with the holes located on the bottom of the distribution pipe. The ends of all distribution pipes shall be marked at the surface, and an observation pipe shall be placed to the bottom of the bed or each trench.

27A904.9 Cover. The top of the bed or trenches shall be covered with not less than 51 mm (2 inches) of aggregate ranging in size from 12.7 mm to 64 mm (½ inch to 2½ inches) and not less than 100 mm to 127 mm (4 inches to 5 inches) of uncompacted straw or marsh hay or approved synthetic fabric shall be placed over the aggregate. Cap and topsoil covers shall be in place and the mound shall be seeded immediately and protected from erosion.

27A904.10 Maintenance. When the septic tank is pumped, the pump chamber shall be inspected and pumped to remove any solids present. Excess traffic in the mound area shall be avoided.

GENERAL

27A1001.1 Scope. The provisions of this section shall govern the design and installation of *cesspools/sewer pits*.

27A1001.2 Application. *Cesspools/sewer pits* shall not be installed, except where approved by NEPA in conjunction with the EHU, WRA and the Local Authority. A *cesspool* shall be considered as:

1. Only a temporary expedient pending the construction of a public or community sewer or an onsite septic tank or other approved treatment facility.
2. An overflow facility where installed in conjunction with an existing *cesspool*.
3. A means of sewage disposal for limited, minor or temporary applications in rural and deep rural areas.

27A1001.3 Construction. *Cesspools/sewer pits* shall conform to the construction requirements of Section 27A605.3 for *seepage pits*. *Cesspools/sewer pits*, however, shall be 1.5 times larger than seepage pits for the same size building. The *cesspool/sewage pit* shall have a minimum diameter of 2,750 mm (9 feet) and sidewall length of 6,100 mm (20 feet) below the inlet opening. Where a stratum of gravel or equally pervious material of 1,220 mm (4 feet) or more in thickness is found, the sidewall need not be more than 3,800 mm (12.5 feet) below the inlet.

**SECTION 27A1002
SOIL AND SITE REQUIREMENTS**

27A1002.1 Soil type for cesspools/sewer pits. *Cesspools/sewer pits* shall be built on lands that have good but not rapid seepage. Seepage rates shall be between 2.4 to 24 seconds per millimetre (1 to 10 minutes per inch). Pits are only permitted in rapid seepage areas if the aquifer is at least 30,300 mm (100 feet) below the bottom of the constructed pit.

27A1002.2 Required preconstruction site data. *Cesspools/sewer pits* shall only be constructed at an approved location after the Environmental Health Unit (EHU) of the Ministry of Health has been furnished with the following site data obtained from boreholes and cleared the pit for construction:

1. Percolation rate.
2. Depth of absorption pit bottom from high water table level.
3. Soil strata composition.

27A1002.2 Prohibited onsite locations. *Cesspools/sewer pits* to be constructed in generally approved areas shall not be located in the following areas:

1. Flood prone areas.
2. Storm drain pathway such as gullies.
3. Close to surface or subsurface water bodies. See Table 27A606.1.
4. Close to buildings and boundary lines. See Table 27A606.1.
5. Close to rock fissures or limestone sinkholes.
6. Dumped or filled-in sites.

RESIDENTIAL WASTE-WATER SYSTEMS

**SECTION 27A1101
GENERAL**

27A1101.1 Scope. The provisions of this section shall govern residential wastewater systems. This section defines and provides specifications and performance requirements for components of potential treatment methods and recommends combinations of components that will meet treatment requirements.

27A1101.2 Regulations and specifications for residential wastewater treatment systems. The regulations and specifications for materials, design, construction and performance shall comply with this code but in so far as information required is not expressly addressed in this chapter such information shall comply with the most stringent requirement of NSF 40, the Jamaica Building Code and the National Resources Conservation Authority (NRCA) Wastewater and Sludge Regulations 2013.

27A1101.3 Approval of residential wastewater treatment systems. The EHU shall approve or reject proposed and operational wastewater treatment systems based on the quality of water to be or being disposed of as well as not meeting requirements for specific site conditions. The treatment systems quality level that will be approved by the EHU shall fall into three (3) categories: primary, secondary and tertiary.

The EHU shall also grant approval for new sewer treatment technology but shall require the inventor or manufacturer or distributor to document and demonstrate satisfactory performance before approval.

27A1101.4 Alternative existing residential wastewater treatment systems. The EHU shall approve for construction properly designed on-site alternative sewage treatment systems. However, designers shall ensure that acceptable treatment systems are suitable for the proposed site and as such will be required to provide sufficient verification that the system will meet the requisite discharge standards for the intended site. The following existing systems shall be approved for construction if the design demonstrates adequacy for the building(s) served and the requisite discharge standards for the site are met:

27A1101.4.1 Tile field. The National Sanitation Foundation (NSF) 40 standard for Residential Wastewater Treatment Systems shall apply for materials specifications, design, construction and performance.

27A1101.4.1.1 Hydraulic loading rates.

Hydraulic loading rates for tile fields shall be calculated based upon soil percolation rates using methods published by the Water Resources Authority (WRA). In the absence of soil percolation rates using WRA methods soil percolation rates published by the United States Public Health Service (USPHS) for similar soil and condition shall be used. Correlation of soil percolation rates to design hydraulic loading rates shall be an inescapable requirement. If soil percolation tests are not available, the maximum hydraulic loading rate of 60 Litres/day/m² must be used as a guide. In calculating loading rate only, the trench(s) bottom area, (trench width x trench length) shall be used. The trench side wall area shall not be used in the calculation of hydraulic loading rate.

27A1101.4.2 Tiled chamber. The National Sanitation Foundation (NSF) 40 standard for Residential Wastewater Treatment Systems shall apply for materials specifications, design, construction and performance.

27A1101.4.3 Evapo-transpiration Bed. Evapo-transpiration Bed Systems with connection to a septic tank shall be an acceptable on-site wastewater treatment system in Jamaica.

The EHU shall grant approval of the system if the designer clearly demonstrates that:

1. Evaporation and transpiration exceed precipitation and inflow in the proposed area;

2. The bed is not subjected to incursions from storm water.
3. There is a small soak-away pit, 1,220 mm (4 feet) diameter by 1,800 mm (6 feet) deep to complement the evaporation / transpiration system on multiple rain days.
4. In calculating plant wastewater consumption the wild cane plant which does not require any special care except for a once per month cut back to prevent overgrowth, shall be used and the wastewater consumption to be used shall range from 20 Litres (5 US gal) per square metre per day in the wettest regions of Jamaica to 40 Litres (10 US gallon) per square metre per day in the driest regions.
5. Other wastewater consumption plants may be used only after demonstrable evidence provided to the code official that its growth requires no special care except for a once per month cut back to prevent overgrowth and its wastewater consumption for the wettest and driest areas of Jamaica are adequate for the intended site, is approved.

27A1101.4.4 Reed bed (Constructed wetland).

Reed bed (constructed wetland) may be used to provide final or tertiary treatment provided sufficient preliminary treatment is done using appropriate and acceptable technology (septic tank, biodigester, packaged plant). Subsurface flow constructed wetlands shall be preferred to reduce the potential for mosquito breeding.

27A1101.4.4.1 Design and construction minimum specifications.

The design and construction of Reed Beds (Constructed Wetlands) shall meet the following minimum specifications:

1. Filter media shall be of gravel that is washed, clean, rounded and resistant to crushing or breakage.
2. The media size in the treatment zone shall be 20 - 30 mm ($\frac{3}{4}$ - $1\frac{3}{16}$) with the top 10 cm ($\frac{2}{5}$ inch) of 5 - 20 mm ($\frac{3}{16}$ - $\frac{3}{4}$). Inlet and outlet zone areas shall have media of larger size, 40 - 80 mm ($1\frac{3}{5}$ - $3\frac{3}{16}$) to prevent washouts.
- c) Vegetation shall have sufficient root zone and be of acceptable species for

the climate and wetland conditions. Multiple types of native plants with varying root lengths are preferable. The reed bed may be planted with vegetation such as wild cane, cattail and bulrush.

6. The bottom of the inlet-perforated pipe shall be installed 75 mm (3 inches) below the surface of the reed bed and covered.
7. The outlet arrangement shall be designed to allow the water level to be maintained 100 mm (4 inches) below the surface of the reed bed while, allowing the bed to be drained for maintenance. The outlet shall be connected to a horizontal perforated pipe (similar to the inlet pipe) and installed 50 mm (2 inches) above the base of the reed bed.
8. The reed bed shall be constructed in such a manner as to prevent the infiltration of surface runoff into the system.
9. The non-treatment zone of the reed bed shall be 500 - 750 mm (1 $\frac{2}{3}$ - 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ feet) in length.
10. The overflow manhole outlet pipe shall be at the bottom of said manhole.
11. The overflow pipe shall terminate 100 mm (4 inches) below the surface of the bed.
12. A durable liner, such as HDPE, PVC or butyl rubber sheets or roll with a minimum thickness of 0.75 mm (0.0295 inch) shall be installed in the bottom and sidewalls of the bed.

27A110.4.5 Sand filter bed. The National Sanitation Foundation (NSF) 40 standard for Residential Wastewater Treatment Systems

shall apply for materials specifications, design, construction and performance.

27A1101.5 Residential onsite wastewater treatment categories and the components to produce them.

Table 27A1101.5 shows the onsite residential wastewater treatment categories and the sewage components systems which produce them. The choice of treatment category for an onsite facility shall depend mainly on where the wastewater is to be disposed viz the soil, a surface environment (dry gully, pond, lake, stream, river, sea, swamp, etc) or the atmosphere as well as the land available for the system and its possible replacement. Where soil absorption of the wastewater is allowed a primary or a secondary system may be selected. Where the wastewater is to be disposed of on or in a surface environment or the atmosphere a tertiary system shall be selected.

27A1101.6 Residential offsite wastewater treatment categories and the components to produce them.

Table 27A1101.6 shows the offsite residential wastewater treatment categories and the sewage components systems which produce them. The choice of treatment category for an offsite facility shall depend mainly on how many residences are to be served, where the wastewater is to be disposed viz the soil, a surface environment (dry gully, pond, lake, stream, river, sea, swamp, etc) or the atmosphere as well as the land available for the system and its possible replacement. Where subsurface absorption of the wastewater is allowed a secondary system may be selected as long as the chosen system can handle the number of residencies. Where the wastewater is to be disposed of on or in a surface environment or the atmosphere a tertiary system shall be selected as long as the chosen system can handle the number of residencies.

**TABLE 27A1101.5
RESIDENTIAL ONSITE TREATMENT SYSTEMS**

CATEGORY	TREATMENT REQUIREMENTS	TYPICAL TREATMENT SYSTEMS
Dry Excreta Management	Not applicable	Ventilated Improved Double Pit Latrine Ventilated Pit Latrine Bio-latrine (composting)
Primary Treatment	Settled solids	Septic tank + absorption pit or mound Imhoff tank + absorption pit or mound
Secondary Treatment	Settled solids and biological treatment	Septic Tank + Tile Field Septic Tank + Mounded Tile Field Septic Tank + Sand Filter Septic Tank + Tiled Chamber System Biodigester + Tile Field
Tertiary Treatment	Physical and biological treatment. May also include chemical treatment	Septic Tank + Evapo-transpiration Bed. Septic Tank + Reed Bed (Subsurface) + discharge point (drain/soakaway/tile field). Septic Tank + Sand Filter + Reed Bed (subsurface) + discharge point (drain/soakaway/tile field). Biodigester + Reed Bed (Subsurface)) + discharge point (drain/soakaway/tile field). Biodigester + Evapo-transpiration Bed

**TABLE 27A1101.6
TYPICAL RESIDENTIAL OFF-SITE TREATMENT SYSTEMS**

CATEGORY	TREATMENT REQUIREMENTS	TYPICAL TREATMENT SYSTEMS
Secondary Treatment	Settle solids and biological treatment	Septic Tank + Tile Field Septic Tank + Mounded Tile Field Septic Tank + Sand Filter Septic Tank + Tiled Chamber System Biodigester + Tile Field Mechanical systems (<i>Aerated Septic Tank, Oxidation Ditch, Contact Stabilization Tank, Rotary Biological Contactor, Trickling Filter, Anaerobic systems</i>)
Tertiary Treatment	Physical and biological treatment. May also include chemical treatment	Septic Tank + Evapo-transpiration Bed Septic Tank + Reed Bed (Subsurface) + discharge point (drain/soakaway/tile field) Septic Tank + Sand Filter + Reed Bed (subsurface) Biodigester + Reed Bed (Subsurface) + discharge point (drain/soakaway/tile field) Biodigester + Evapo-transpiration Bed Waste Stabilization Ponds + Reed Bed+ discharge point (drain/soakaway/tile field) Mechanical systems with nutrient removal.

INSPECTIONS

**SECTION 27A1201
GENERAL**

27A1201.1 Scope. The provisions of this section shall govern the inspection of *private sewage disposal systems*.

**SECTION 27A1202
INSPECTIONS**

27A1202.1 Initial inspection procedures. *Private sewage disposal systems* shall be inspected after construction, but before backfilling. The code official shall be notified when the *private sewage disposal system* is ready for inspection.

27A1202.2 Preparation for inspection. The installer shall make such arrangements as will enable the code official to inspect all parts of the system when a *private sewage disposal system* is ready. The installer shall provide the proper apparatus and equipment for conducting the inspection and furnish such assistance as is necessary to conduct the inspection.

27A1202.3 Covering of work. A *private sewage disposal system* or part thereof shall not be backfilled until such system has been inspected and approved. Any system that has been covered before being inspected and approved shall be uncovered as required by the code official.

27A1202.4 Other inspections. In addition to the required inspection prior to backfilling, the code official shall conduct any other inspections deemed necessary to determine compliance with this code.

27A1202.5 Inspections for additions, alterations or modifications. Additions, alterations or modifications to *private sewage disposal systems* shall be approved and inspected in the following manner:

- a) Additions, alterations and modifications that are of an emergency nature may be executed forthwith and the inspection and approval requested from the code official within 24 hours of construction commencement.
- b) Additions, alterations and modifications that are urgent but not of an emergency nature shall elicit approval of the planned works within 48 hours and inspection within 24 hours after a request to the code official.
- c) Additions, alterations and modifications that are neither of an emergency or urgent nature shall elicit approval and inspection within a timely manner from the code official.

27A1202.5.1 Documents to be submitted for approval.

The documents to be submitted for approval of an addition or alteration or modification to a *private sewage disposal system* shall include the following:

- i. As-built drawings for the unadjusted facility.
- ii. A written description of the existing treatment system.
- iii. An engineer's report which should clearly outline the reasons for the proposed addition or alteration or modification along with any pertinent calculations, tests or other pertinent information, proposed tie-ins and schedule to minimize downtime.
- iv. An environmental impact assessment where necessary.

27A1202.5.2 The timing of job completion

inspections. Site inspections for completed additions or alterations or modifications where possible, shall be obtained from the code official prior to returning the system to service. Returning a sewage system to service prior to inspection shall not preclude the inspection and any work deemed necessary by the inspection from taking place.

27A1202.6 Defects in materials and workmanship.

Where inspection discloses defective material, design or siting or unworkmanlike construction not conforming to the requirements of this code, the

nonconforming parts shall be removed, replaced and reinspected.

NONLIQUID SATURATED TREATMENT SYSTEMS

SECTION 27A1301 GENERAL

27A1301.1 Scope. The provisions of this section shall govern nonliquid saturated treatment systems. The types of non-liquid saturated treatment systems covered by this section shall include fixed and mobile ones as outlined Sections 27A1301.3 and 27A1301.4 below.

27A1301.2 Nonliquid saturated treatment systems. The regulations for materials, design, construction and performance shall comply with NSF 41 in so far as the allowed system type is covered by this standard.

27A1301.3 Fixed nonliquid saturated treatment systems allowed. Fixed nonliquid saturated treatment systems which may be allowed shall include single or double seated, waterless Ventilated Improved Pit (VIP) latrines and Ventilated Improved Double Vault Recycleable (VIDVR) latrines as well as Waterless ECOSAN latrines of the Composting, Incinerating and Dry Flush types. Approval shall first be obtained from NEPA and the EHU before any model of these type toilets can be used. Unannounced inspections during the usage phase of these latrines shall be accommodated by the building occupants.

27A1301.4 Portable nonliquid saturated treatment systems allowed. Portable nonliquid saturated treatment systems which may be allowed for construction sites and other locations shall include those requiring periodic feces removal daily and the composting, incinerating and dry flush toilet types. Approval shall first be obtained from NEPA and the EHU before any model of these type toilets can be used. Unannounced inspections during the usage phase of these latrines shall be accommodated by the building occupants.

27A1301.4 Prohibited locations for fixed nonliquid saturated treatment systems. VIP and VIDVR latrines shall not be located in the following areas:

- a) Cities, towns, suburbs and other high density population areas.
- b) Flood prone areas.
- c) Within 15 m (50 feet) of a sinkhole, fissure or potable water source.
- d) At least 7.5 m (25 feet) from kitchen.

- e) Areas in which the bottom of the proposed pit latrines and the high-level water table is less than 1.2 m (4 feet).
- f) Areas in which the proximity to surface water sources is likely to pose a high contamination risk. See table 27A406.1.

27A1301.5 Ventilated Improved Pit latrines.

Ventilated Improved Pit (VIP) latrines shall be waterless, supported on a steel reinforced ground slab, have one or more covered seats installed directly over a masonry or concrete lined pit.

The pit shall have the natural undisturbed soil at the bottom and minimum dimensions of 1,830 mm (6 feet) deep, 1,220 mm (4 feet) wide by a length of 915 mm (3 feet) per seat. The walls of the pit shall be 100 mm (4 inches) thick reinforced concrete block or reinforced poured in place concrete.

Venting of the pit shall be achieved by a 100 mm (4 inches) diameter schedule 40 PVC pipe running through the ground slab and vertically to a height of 750 mm (2½ feet) above the lowest end of the roof. A “U” fitting shall be attached to the pipe opening to prevent rain incursion into the pit and a 20 x 30 gauge insect screen fitted across the ‘U’ fitting to prevent insect incursion into the pit.

The minimum overall inside dimensions of the structure shall be 1,525 mm (5 feet) wide by 1,065 mm (42 inches) per seat. The minimum inside height of the structure at the lower end shall be 2,150 mm (7 feet) and 3,050 mm (10 feet) at the higher end.

The structure shall be totally enclosed by walls and fitted with a full-length entrance door to keep out blowing rains and provide privacy. The structure shall have a shed roof that keeps out blowing rains but allow cross ventilation. Cross ventilation may also be supplemented by fixed louvres angled at 45° to the horizontal and mounted about 305 mm (1 foot) above finished floor level. To ensure the structural integrity of the facility the roof shall be structurally tied into each wall (north, south, east and west), each wall shall be structurally tied into each other, and the ground slab and the ground slab shall be structurally tied into the pit lining wall.

The seat-riser wall shall have a minimum dimension of 915 mm (3 feet) from the structure enclosing wall, and the height of the seat(s) above the finished floor level shall be 450 mm (1½ feet). The horizontal area accommodating the seat opening(s) may be fabricated from wood or steel reinforced concrete or sheet steel of

at least 6.35 mm (¼ inch) thickness. Whatever the material choice, this area shall be reinforced to support a minimum weight of 250 kg (550 lbs) per seat. Each seat shall have a cover that seals the opening to the pit so that no insect, including flies and mosquitoes, can go into or out of the pit. The cover material may be made from wood, plastic, sheet steel with rubber gasket, combinations of these or any other suitable material.

Where improved privacy is required in multi-seat latrines an internal partition wall fabricated from wood or plywood or gypsum board may be used. If a reinforced concrete block wall or reinforced poured-in-concrete wall is preferred such a wall shall be supported by a reinforced concrete beam directly under the wall and in contact with the slab. See Appendix I, Figure I - 1 - 12 for details.

27A1301.5.1 Operation of Ventilated Improved Pit latrines. To ensure that VIP latrines do not pose any health or safety risk the following shall be implemented from the very start of usage:

1. Access to the faeces in the pit shall be continuously prevented through regular inspection of the total structure by facility users.
2. Effective sealing up of all internal or external openings to the pit as soon as they are revealed by inspection.
3. Care shall be taken to keep seats closed and sealed when not in use.
4. All liquids such as rains, storm water, wastewater and urine generated outside of the facility shall be kept out of the pit.
5. Once the solids have built up to about 1,065 mm (42 inches) from the seat a new facility shall be built at adjoining lands no closer than 1,220 mm (4 feet) away. Soil and other material which will facilitate composting shall be used to fill the pit up to seat level.
6. Ensure that the statutory periodic inspections by the Public Health Inspector takes place and instructions emanating from such inspections are implemented forthwith.

27A1301.6 Ventilated Improved Double Vault Recycleable latrines. Ventilated Improved Double Vault Recycleable (VIDVR) latrines shall be waterless, supported on a steel reinforced ground slab, have two

covered seats installed directly over a masonry or concrete lined pit.

The pit shall have a concrete bottom and a minimum of 1,220 mm (4 feet) projection beyond the two opposite short side external walls of the structure. The pit shall have a minimum width of 1,220 mm (4 feet), a minimum depth of 1,830 mm (6 feet), a length that runs the full external length of the structure plus the two 1,220 mm (4 feet) projections and a partition wall that divide the overall pit into two equal pits. The partition wall shall run from the bottom of the pit to the ground slab. The walls of the pit shall be 100 mm (4 inches) thick reinforced concrete block or reinforced poured in place concrete. Each pit projection shall be configured to accommodate a double seal 1,220 mm x 1,220 mm (4 feet x 4 feet) manhole cover to prevent water incursion into the pit.

Venting of the pit shall be achieved by a 100 mm (4 inches) diameter schedule 40 PVC pipe on each short side of the structure running through the ground slab and vertically to a height of 750 mm (2½ feet) above the lowest end of the structure's roof. A "U" fitting shall be attached to the pipe opening to prevent rain incursion into the pit and a 20 x 30 gauge insect screen fitted across the 'U' fitting to prevent insect incursion into the pit.

The minimum overall inside dimensions of the structure shall be 1,525 mm (5 feet) wide by 1,220 mm (48 inches) per seat with a partition wall dividing the structure into two equal compartments. The partition wall shall be exactly in line with pit partition wall. The minimum inside height of the structure at the lower end shall be 2,150 mm (7 feet) and 3,050 mm (10 feet) at the higher end.

The structure shall be totally enclosed by walls and fitted with a full-length entrance door on each side to keep out blowing rains and provide privacy. The structure shall have a shed roof that keeps out blowing rains but allow cross ventilation. Cross ventilation may also be supplemented by fixed louvres angled at 45° to the horizontal and mounted about 305 mm (1 foot) above finished floor level. To ensure the structural integrity of the facility the roof shall be structurally tied into each wall (north, south, east and west), each wall shall be structurally tied into each other, and the ground slab and the ground slab shall be structurally tied into the pit lining wall.

The seat-riser wall shall have a minimum dimension of 915 mm (3 feet) from the structure enclosing wall,

and the height of the seat(s) above the finished floor level shall be 450 mm (1½feet). The horizontal area accommodating the seat opening(s) may be fabricated from wood or steel reinforced concrete or sheet steel of at least 6.35 mm (¼ inch) thickness. Whatever the material choice, this area shall be reinforced to support a minimum weight of 250 kg (550 lbs) per seat. Each seat shall have a cover that seals the opening to the pit so that no insect, including mosquitos, can go into or out of the pit. The cover material may be made from wood, plastic, sheet steel with rubber gasket, combinations of these or any other suitable material. See Appendix I, Figure I - 1 - 13 for details.

27A1301.6.1 Operation of Ventilated Improved Double Vault Recycleable (VIDVR) latrines. To ensure that VIDVR latrines do not pose any health or safety risk the following shall be implemented from the very start of usage:

1. Only one seat or duty compartment shall be used until its pit compartment reaches the full capacity level. The standby compartment shall be locked and prevented from being used simultaneously.
2. Access to the faeces in the pit shall be continuously prevented through regular inspection of the total structure by facility users.
3. Effective sealing up of all internal or external openings to the pit as soon as they are revealed by inspection.
4. Care shall be taken to keep seats closed and sealed when not in use.
5. All liquids such as rains, storm water, wastewater and urine generated outside of the facility shall be kept out of the pit.
6. Once the solids in the duty compartment have built up to about 1,065 mm (42 inches) from the seat further usage of this compartment shall be prevented by locking and the standby compartment brought into use.
7. The faeces in the first used pit shall be suitably compost by mixing it with EHU recommended materials and allowed time to breakdown. The process shall be facilitated by utilizing the external manhole for the mixing.
8. The mixture shall be given the EHU’s requisite time for complete breakdown until it becomes pathogenically dormant before being removed.

9. Compost material removed shall comply with the EHU and Ministry of Agriculture’s recommendations for storage and use.
10. The first duty compartment shall be returned to use when the second compartment is full, and the cycle continues ad nauseum.
11. The Public Health Inspector’s statutory periodic inspections shall be monitored by the latrine users, agitate for inspections when missed and the instructions or improvements emanating from such inspections be implemented forthwith.

27A1301.6.2 Alternate operation of Ventilated Improved Double Vault Recycleable (VIDVR) pits. The process of composting the faeces of VIDVR latrines once they have reached full capacity can be less restrictive if done outside the pit. However, this process has much higher health and safety risks and shall stringently comply with the following conditions:

1. A suitably sized and type container with appropriate lifting mechanism shall be inserted in the pit to catch all inputted excrements.
2. Access to the faeces in the pit shall be continuously prevented through regular inspection of the total structure by facility users.
3. Effective sealing up of all internal or external openings to the pit as soon as they are revealed by inspection.
4. Care shall be taken to keep seats closed and sealed when not in use.
5. All liquids such as rains, storm water, wastewater and urine generated outside of the facility shall be kept out of the pit.
6. Once the solids in the duty compartment have built up to about 1,065 mm (42 inches) from the seat further usage of this compartment shall be prevented by locking and the standby compartment brought into use.

7. The faeces in the first used pit shall be suitably compost by mixing it with EHU recommended materials and allowed time to breakdown. The process shall be facilitated by utilizing the external manhole to facilitate the mixing.
8. The mixture shall be given the EHU's requisite time for complete breakdown, until it becomes pathogenically dormant before being removed.
9. Compost material removed shall comply with the EHU and Ministry of Agriculture's recommendations for storage and use.
10. The first duty compartment shall be returned to use when the second compartment is full, and the cycle continues ad nauseum.
11. The Public Health Inspector's statutory periodic inspections shall be monitored by the latrine users, agitate for inspections when missed and the instructions or improvements emanating from such inspections be implemented forthwith.

27A1301.6.3 Advantages of the alternate operation of VIDVR pits.

The following are some of the very important benefits to be gained by operating the alternative operation of the VIDVR pits:

1. Both latrine seats or compartments can be operated simultaneously.
2. Extremely long time (perhaps in excess of 30 years) before the messy process of composting is required.
3. Disposal of faeces through the commercial emptying service becomes much more economic.
4. Longer planning period for the procurement of onsite composting materials and labour as well as selecting the driest period of the year for undertaking this work.

27A1301.7 Waterless ECOSAN latrines. The specifications for materials, installation, operation and maintenance of

Composting, Incinerating and Dry Flush types toilets shall be procured from NSF 41 and manufacturer's brochures.

27A1301.7 Bio-latrines. Bio-latrines of the composting type shall be allowed by NEPA and the EHU. For the specifications, operation and maintenance of this type latrines shall conform to NSF 40.

COMMUNITY (CENTRAL) SEWAGE SYSTEMS

**SECTION 27A13A01
GENERAL**

27A13A01.1 Scope. The provisions of this section shall govern privately owned and operated community (central) sewage systems design and installation requirements for new and expanded facilities.

27A13A01.2 Information to be supplied for construction permit. The information to be supplied for assessment of the design proposal and the granting of construction permit for a new or expanded privately owned and operated community sewage system shall meet criteria in two distinctive groups, viz site specific and design specific systems.

27A13A01.2.1 Site specific system requirements. The following are the site-specific information which shall be supplied:

1. Proposed and future areas to be served by the system, including proposed wastewater flow rates, wastewater composition (characteristics) and volumes of industrial and commercial contribution if any.
2. Site topography, soil type and meteorological information pertinent to the sewage system design and operation.
3. Vulnerability of the site to flooding, landslides, geological faults and storm surges.
4. Soil percolation test (if an absorptive disposal method is proposed).
5. Environmental public health situation in the surrounding areas. Supporting data with regards to diarrhoeal disease, typhoid endemic areas, gastroenteritis and other diseases are useful to support the submission.

6. Tourism potential of the surrounding area.

27A13A02.2.2 Design specific system requirements. The following design specific requirements shall be supplied for an assessment to be undertaken by the code official:

1. Plant location, plant site plan including a description of the surrounding areas. Particular reference shall be made to the proximity of present and future developments, wells, streams, lakes, water plants, industrial sites, and other areas, which will be affected environmentally by the sewage treatment plant.
2. A detailed analysis of the proposed method of treatment and its efficiency and ability to meet discharge requirements.
3. Design calculations and drawings showing size and capacity of each unit or component part in relation to the provided design criteria. The calculations shall show retention times, surface loadings, weir loadings, pump sizing, sludge wasting, pumping rates and any other pertinent information regarding plant design.
4. Detailed discussion on the means of effluent utilization or disposal. Design calculations and sewer profile for each sewer line showing present and future flows with minimum and maximum velocities.
5. Capability of existing interceptors to carry present and future flows.
6. Design calculations and drawings for all sewage lift stations including wet well sizing and pump curves.
7. Location of any bypasses and a detailed analysis of anticipated use.
8. The means of grit, grease, screenings, sludge utilization and disposal shall be discussed in detail, accompanied by the necessary design calculations.

SECTION 27A13A02

CONSTRUCTION & COMMISSIONING TECHNIQUES FOR COMMUNITY SYSTEMS

27A13A02.1 General. Foundation and ground slabs shall not be poured on soil that does not meet at least a 97% Proctor compaction level.

27A13A02.2 Preparing as-built plans. As built drawings for site plan showing as installed location of all major sewer lines, lift stations, buildings and major equipment, include topographical deviations shall be prepared and a copy delivered to the code official and owners of the sewage system before the contractor hands over the project.

27A13A.02.2.1 Supplementary drawings. Flow diagrams illustrating process treatment processes as well as equipment diagrams for major equipment and appurtenances such as clarifiers, aeration or oxidation processes, digesters, etc. shall be prepared and assembled and handed over to the owners.

27A13A02.3 Commissioning of plant. The plant commissioning exercise shall be undertaken in the following phases:

- a) Dry phase inspection, testing and correction where all piping, pipe to pipe and pipe to equipment joints, main wiring conductors, wiring connections, motor rotation, equipment installation correctness and anchorage shall be inspected, checked, tested as needed and corrected as defects are uncovered. Once all defects uncovered has been corrected commission-ing shall proceed to the next phase.
- b) Wet phase inspection, testing and correction where the plant is charged with plain uncontaminated water (no sewage effluent included) and operated on load then all pipes and pipe connections checked for leaks, phase and line voltages and current levels for the main conductors and all motorized equipment shall be measured and compared with manufacturer's specifications, pipeline pressures and water inflow and outflow rates measured and compared with calculated and manufacturer's maximum allowed values. Once all defects uncovered has been corrected commissioning shall proceed to the final phase.
- c) Sewage effluent phase inspection, testing and correction where the plant is charged with the actual sewage effluent from the community it serves. This phase of the commissioning shall be conducted one month after at least 80% of the community houses start using the plant. The inspection, testing and correction to be done shall be similar to that of phase b above. The EHU shall be notified at least 2 weeks ahead of this commissioning phase and requested to witness the commissioning with the intent of granting approval for its operation and pursuance of takeover by the National Water Commission.

CHAPTER 28

WATER HEATERS

User notes:

***About this chapter:** Chapter 28 contains regulations concerning the safety of water heating units and hot water storage tanks. Heated potable water is needed for plumbing fixtures that are associated with washing, bathing and kitchen activities. Heated water is commonly stored in pressurized storage tanks that shall be protected against explosion by pressure and temperature relief valves specified in this chapter. This chapter also covers the access requirements to water heaters and hot water storage tanks to allow for the maintenance and replacement of that equipment.*

SECTION P2801 GENERAL

P2801.1 Required. *Hot water* shall be supplied to plumbing fixtures and plumbing appliances intended for bathing, washing or culinary purposes.

P2801.2 Drain valves. Drain valves for emptying shall be installed at the bottom of each tank-type water heater and *hot water* storage tank. The drain valve inlet shall be not less than 19 mm (³/₄-inch) nominal iron pipe size and the outlet shall be provided with a male hose thread.

P2801.3 Installation. Water heaters shall be installed in accordance with this chapter and Chapters 20 and 24.

P2801.4 Location. Water heaters and storage tanks shall be installed in accordance with Section M1305 and shall be located and connected to provide access for observation, maintenance, servicing and replacement.

P2801.5 Prohibited locations. Water heaters shall be located in accordance with Chapter 20.

P2801.6 Required pan. Where a storage tank-type water heater or a hot water storage tank is installed in a location where water leakage from the tank will cause damage, the tank shall be installed in a pan constructed of one of the following:

1. Galvanized steel or aluminum of not less than 0.6010 mm (0.0236 inch) in thickness.
2. Plastic not less than 0.9 mm (0.036 inch) in thickness.
3. Other *approved* materials.

A plastic pan beneath a gas-fired water heater shall be constructed of material having a flame spread index of 25 or less and a smoke-developed index of 450 or less when tested in accordance with ASTM E84

or UL 723.

P2801.6.1 Pan size and drain. The pan shall be not less than 38 mm (1¹/₂ inches) deep and shall be of sufficient size and shape to receive dripping or condensate from the tank or water heater. The pan shall be drained by an indirect waste pipe of not less than 19 mm (³/₄ inch) diameter. Piping for safety pan drains shall be of those materials indicated in Table P2906.5. Where a pan drain was not previously installed, a pan drain shall not be required for a replacement water heater installation.

P2801.6.2 Pan drain termination. The pan drain shall extend full-size and terminate over a suitably located indirect waste receptor or shall extend to the exterior of the building and terminate not less than 150 mm (6 inches) and not more than 610 mm (24 inches) above the adjacent ground surface.

P2801.7 Water heaters installed in garages. Water heaters having an *ignition source* shall be elevated such that the source of ignition is not less than 455 mm (18 inches) above the garage floor.

Exception: Elevation of the *ignition source* is not required for appliances that are *listed* as flammable vapour ignition-resistant.

P2801.8 Water heater seismic bracing. In Seismic Design Categories D₁ and D₂ water heaters shall be anchored or strapped in the upper one-third and in the lower one-third of the appliance to resist a horizontal force equal to one-third of the operating weight of the water heater, acting in any horizontal direction, or in accordance with the appliance manufacturer's recommendations.

SECTION P2802 SOLAR WATER HEATING SYSTEMS

P2802.1 Water temperature control. Where heated water is discharged from a solar thermal system to a *hot water* distribution system, a thermostatic mixing valve complying with ASSE 1017 shall be installed to temper the water to a temperature of not greater than 60°C (140°F). Solar thermal systems supplying *hot water* for both space heating and domestic uses shall comply with Section P2803.2. A temperature-indicating device shall be installed to indicate the temperature of the water discharged from the outlet of the mixing valve. The thermostatic mixing valve required by this section shall not be a substitute for water-temperature limiting devices required by Chapter 27 for specific fixtures.

P2802.2 Isolation valves. Isolation valves in accordance with P2903.9.2 shall be provided on the cold water feed to the water heater. Isolation valves and associated piping shall be provided to bypass solar storage tanks where the system contains multiple storage tanks.

**SECTION P2803
WATER HEATERS USED FOR SPACE HEATING**

P2803.1 Protection of potable water. Piping and components connected to a water heater for space heating applications shall be suitable for use with potable water in accordance with Chapter 29. Water heaters that will be used to supply potable water shall not be connected to a heating system or components previously used with nonpotable-water heating *appliances*. Chemicals for boiler treatment shall not be introduced into the water heater.

P2803.2 Temperature control. Where a combination water heater-space heating system requires water for space heating at temperatures exceeding 60°C (140°F), a master thermostatic mixing valve complying with ASSE 1017 shall be installed to temper the water to a temperature of not greater than 60°C (140°F) for domestic uses.

**SECTION P2804
RELIEF VALVES**

P2804.1 Relief valves required. Appliances and equipment used for heating water or storing hot water shall be protected by one of the following:

1. A separate pressure-relief valve and a separate temperature-relief valve.
2. A combination pressure-and-temperature relief valve.

P2804.2 Rating. Relief valves shall have a minimum rated capacity for the equipment served and shall conform to ANSI Z21.22.

P2804.3 Pressure relief valves. Pressure relief valves shall have a relief rating adequate to meet the pressure conditions for the appliances or equipment protected. In tanks, they shall be installed directly into a tank tapping or in a water line close to the tank. They shall be set to open at not less than 172 kPa (25 psi) above the system pressure and not greater than 1,034 kPa (150 psi). The relief-valve setting shall not exceed the rated working pressure of the tank.

P2804.4 Temperature relief valves. Temperature relief valves shall have a relief rating compatible with the temperature conditions of the appliances or equipment protected. The valves shall be installed such that the temperature-sensing element monitors the water within the top 150 mm (6 inches) of the tank. The valve shall be set to open at a temperature of not greater than 99°C (210°F).

P2804.5 Combination pressure-and-temperature relief valves. Combination-pressure-and-temperature relief valves shall comply with the requirements for separate pressure and temperature relief valves.

P2804.6 Installation of relief valves. A check or shutoff valve shall not be installed in any of the following locations:

1. Between a relief valve and the termination point of the relief valve discharge pipe.
2. Between a relief valve and a tank.
3. Between a relief valve and heating appliances or equipment.

P2804.6.1 Requirements for discharge pipe. The discharge piping serving a pressure relief valve, temperature relief valve or combination valve shall:

1. Not be directly connected to the drainage system.
2. Discharge through an *air gap* located in the same room as the water heater.
3. Not be smaller than the diameter of the outlet of the valve served and shall discharge full size to the *air gap*.
4. Serve a single relief device and shall not connect to piping serving any other relief device or equipment.
5. Discharge to the floor, to the pan serving the water heater or storage tank, to a waste receptor or to the outdoors.
6. Discharge in a manner that does not cause personal injury or structural damage.
7. Discharge to a termination point that is readily observable by the building occupants.
8. Not be trapped.
9. Be installed to flow by gravity.
10. Terminate not more than 150 mm (6 inches) and not less than two times the discharge pipe diameter above the floor or waste receptor flood level rim.
11. Not have a threaded connection at the end of the piping.
12. Not have valves or tee fittings.
13. Be constructed of those materials indicated in Section P2906.5 or materials tested, rated and *approved* for such use in accordance with ASME A112.4.1.
14. Be one nominal size larger than the size of the relief-valve outlet, where the relief-valve discharge piping is installed with insert fittings. The outlet end of such tubing shall be fastened in place.

P2804.7 Vacuum relief valve. Bottom fed tank-type water heaters and bottom fed tanks connected to water heaters shall have a vacuum relief valve installed that complies with ANSI Z21.22.

CHAPTER 29

WATER SUPPLY AND DISTRIBUTION

User notes:

About this chapter: Many plumbing fixtures require a supply of potable water. Other fixtures could be supplied with nonpotable water such as reclaimed water. Chapter 29 covers the requirements for water distribution piping systems to and within buildings. The regulations include the types of materials and the connection methods for such systems. This chapter regulates the assemblies, devices and methods that are used for the prevention of backflow of contaminated or polluted water into the potable water system. Also contained in this chapter are the design requirements for the installation of fire sprinkler systems, as such systems are connected to the potable water supply for the building. Storm water and some liquid waste from a building can be a source of nonpotable water that can be used to reduce the volume of potable water supplied to the building. This chapter provides the requirements for storage, treatment and distribution of this resource. This chapter also regulates the piping systems for reclaimed water supplied by a wastewater treatment facility.

SECTION P2901 GENERAL

P2901.1 Potable water required. Potable water shall be supplied to plumbing fixtures and plumbing *appliances* except where treated rainwater, treated graywater or municipal reclaimed water is supplied to water closets, urinals and trap primers. The requirements of this section shall not be construed to require signage for water closets and urinals.

P2901.2 Identification of nonpotable water systems. Where *nonpotable* water systems are installed, the piping conveying the nonpotable water shall be identified either by color marking, metal tags or tape in accordance with Sections P2901.2.1 through P2901.2.2.3.

P2901.2.1 Signage required. Nonpotable water outlets such as hose connections, open-ended pipes and faucets shall be identified with signage that reads as follows: “Nonpotable water is utilized for [application name]. CAUTION: NONPOTABLE WATER. DO NOT DRINK.” The words shall be legibly and indelibly printed on a tag or sign constructed of corrosion-resistant waterproof material or shall be indelibly printed on the fixture. The letters of the words shall be not less than 12.5 mm (0.5 inches) in height and in colors in contrast to the background on which they are applied. In addition to the required wordage, the pictograph shown in Figure P2901.2.1 shall appear on the required signage.



**FIGURE P2901.2.1
PICTOGRAPH—DO NOT DRINK**

P2901.2.2 Distribution pipe labeling and marking. Nonpotable distribution piping shall be purple in color and shall be embossed or integrally stamped or marked with the words: “CAUTION: NONPOTABLE WATER. DO NOT DRINK” or the piping shall be installed with a purple identification tape or wrap. Pipe identification shall include the contents of the piping system and an arrow indicating the direction of flow. Hazardous piping systems shall contain information addressing the nature of the hazard. Pipe identification shall be repeated at intervals not exceeding 7,620 mm (25 feet) and at each point where the piping passes through a wall, floor or roof. Lettering shall be readily observable within the room or space where the piping is located.

**TABLE P2901.2.2.2
SIZE OF PIPE IDENTIFICATION**

PIPE DIAMETER (Millimeters)	LENGTH OF BACKGROUND COLOR FIELD (Millimeters)	SIZE OF LETTERS (Millimeters)
19 to 32	205	12.5
32 to 51	205	19
64 to 150	305	32
205 to 255	51	64
over 255	813	89

or Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch.

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P2901.2.2.1 Color. The color of the pipe identification shall be discernable and consistent throughout the building. The color purple shall be used to identify reclaimed, rain and graywater distribution systems.

P2901.2.2.2 Lettering size. The size of the background color field and lettering shall comply with Table P2901.2.2.2.

P2901.2.2.3 Identification tape. Where used, identification tape shall be not less than 76 mm (3 inches) wide and have white or black lettering on a purple field stating “CAUTION: NONPOTABLE WATER—DO NOT DRINK.” Identification tape shall be installed on top of nonpotable rainwater distribution pipes and fastened not greater than every 3,050 mm (10 feet) to each pipe length, and run continuously the entire length of the pipe.

SECTION P2902 PROTECTION OF POTABLE WATER SUPPLY

P2902.1 General. A potable water supply system shall be designed and installed as to prevent contamination from non-potable liquids, solids or gases being introduced into the potable water supply. Connections shall not be made to a potable water supply in a manner that could contaminate the water supply or provide a cross connection between the supply and a source of contamination except where *approved* backflow prevention assemblies, backflow prevention devices or other means or methods are installed to protect the potable water supply. Cross connections between an individual water supply and a potable public water supply shall be prohibited.

P2902.2 Plumbing fixtures. The supply lines and fittings for every plumbing fixture shall be installed so as to prevent backflow. Plumbing fixture fittings shall provide backflow protection in accordance with ASME A112.18.1/CSA B125.1.

P2902.3 Backflow protection. A means of protection against backflow shall be provided in accordance with Sections P2902.3.1 through P2902.3.7. Backflow prevention applications shall conform to Table P2902.3, except as specifically stated in Sections P2902.4 through P2902.5.5.

P2902.3.1 Air gaps. *Air gaps* shall comply with ASME A112.1.2 and *air gap* fittings shall comply with ASME A112.1.3. An *air gap* shall be measured vertically from the lowest end of a water outlet to the flood level rim of the fixture or receptor into which the water outlets discharges to the floor. The required *air gap* shall be not less than twice the diameter of the effective opening of the outlet and not less than the values specified in Table P2902.3.1.

P2902.3.2 Atmospheric-type vacuum breakers. Atmospheric-type vacuum breakers shall conform to ASSE 1001 or CSA B64.1.1. Hose-connection vacuum breakers shall conform to ASSE 1011, ASSE 1019, ASSE 1035, ASSE 1052, CSA B64.2, CSA B64.2.1, CSA B64.2.1.1, CSA B64.2.2 or CSA B64.7. Both types of vacuum breakers shall be installed with the outlet continuously open to the atmosphere. The critical level of the atmospheric vacuum breaker shall be set at not less than 150 mm (6

inches) above the highest elevation of downstream piping and the flood level rim of the fixture or device.

P2902.3.3 Backflow preventer with intermediate atmospheric vent. Backflow preventers with intermediate atmospheric vents shall conform to ASSE 1012 or CSA B64.3. These devices shall be permitted to be installed where subject to continuous pressure conditions. These devices shall be prohibited as a means of protection where any hazardous chemical additives are introduced downstream of the device. The relief opening shall discharge by *air gap* and shall be prevented from being submerged.

P2902.3.4 Pressure vacuum breaker assemblies. Pressure vacuum breaker assemblies shall conform to ASSE 1020 or CSA B64.1.2. Spill-resistant vacuum breaker assemblies shall comply with ASSE 1056. These assemblies are designed for installation under continuous pressure conditions where the critical level is installed at the required height. The critical level of a pressure vacuum breaker and a spill-resistant vacuum breaker assembly shall be set at not less than 305 mm (12 inches) above the highest elevation of downstream piping and the flood level rim of the fixture or device. Pressure vacuum breaker assemblies shall not be installed in locations where spillage could cause damage to the structure.

P2902.3.5 Reduced pressure principle backflow prevention assemblies. Reduced pressure principle backflow prevention assemblies and reduced pressure principle fire protection backflow prevention assemblies shall conform to ASSE 1013, AWWA C511, CSA B64.4 or CSA

B64.4.1. Reduced pressure detector fire protection backflow prevention assemblies shall conform to ASSE 1047. These devices shall be permitted to be installed where subject to continuous pressure conditions. The relief opening shall discharge by *air gap* and shall be prevented from being submerged.

P2902.3.6 Double-check backflow prevention assemblies. Double-check backflow prevention assemblies shall conform to ASSE 1015, CSA B64.5, CSA B64.5.1 or AWWA C510. Double-check detector fire protection backflow prevention assemblies shall conform to ASSE 1048. These assemblies shall be capable of operating under continuous pressure conditions.

P2902.3.7 Dual check backflow preventer. Dual check backflow preventers shall conform with ASSE 1024 or CSA B64.6.

P2902.4 Protection of potable water outlets. Potable water openings and outlets shall be protected by an *air gap*, a reduced pressure principle backflow prevention assembly, an atmospheric vent, an atmospheric-type vacuum breaker, a pressure-type vacuum breaker assembly or a hose connection backflow preventer.

P2902.4.1 Fill valves. Flush tanks shall be equipped with an antisiphon fill valve conforming to ASSE 1002/ ASSE A112.1002/CSA B125.12 or CSA B125.3. The critical level of the fill valve shall be located not less than 25 mm (1 inch) above the top of the flush tank overflow pipe.

**TABLE P2902.3
APPLICATION FOR BACKFLOW PREVENTERS**

DEVICE	DEGREE OF HAZARD ^a	APPLICATION ^b	APPLICABLE STANDARDS
Backflow Prevention Assemblies			
Double-check backflow prevention assembly and double-check fire protection backflow prevention assembly	High hazard	Backpressure or Backsiphonage Sizes 9.5 mm – 405 mm	ASSE 1015, AWWA C510, CSA B64.5, CSA B64.5.1
Double-check detector fire protection backflow prevention assemblies	Low hazard	Backpressure or Backsiphonage Sizes 51 mm – 405 mm	ASSE 1048
Pressure vacuum breaker assembly	High or low hazard	Backsiphonage only Sizes 12.5 mm – 51 mm	ASSE 1020, CSA B64.1.2
Reduced pressure principle backflow prevention assembly and reduced pressure principle fire protection backflow prevention assembly	High or low hazard	Backpressure or Backsiphonage Sizes 9-5 mm – 405 mm	ASSE 1013, AWWA C511, CSA B64.4, CSA B64.4.1
Reduced pressure detector fire protection backflow prevention assemblies	High or low hazard	Backsiphonage or Backpressure (Fire sprinkler systems)	ASSE 1047
Spill-resistant vacuum breaker	High or low hazard	Backsiphonage only Sizes 6.35 mm – 51 mm	ASSE 1056, CSA B64.1.3
Backflow Preventer Plumbing Devices			
Antisiphon-type fill valves for gravity water closet flush tanks	High hazard	Backsiphonage only	ASSE 002/ ASME A112.1002/ CSA B125.12, CSA B125.3
Backflow preventer with intermediate atmospheric vents	Low hazard	Backpressure or backsiphonage Sizes 6.35 mm – 9.5 mm	ASSE 1012, CSA B64.3
Dual-check-valve-type backflow preventers	Low hazard	Backpressure or backsiphonage Sizes 6.35 mm – 25 mm	ASSE 1024, CSA B64.6
Hose-connection backflow preventer	High or low hazard	Low head backpressure, rated working pressure backpressure or back-siphonage Sizes 12-5 mm – 25 mm	ASSE 1052, CSA B64.2.1.1
Hose-connection vacuum breaker	High or low hazard	Low head backpressure or backsiphonage Sizes 12.5 mm, 19 mm, 25 mm	ASSE 1011, CSA B64.2, CSA B64.2.1
Laboratory faucet backflow preventer	High or low hazard	Low head backpressure and back-siphonage	ASSE 1035, CSA B64.7
Pipe-applied atmospheric-type vacuum breaker	High or low hazard	Backsiphonage only Sizes 6.35 mm – 100 mm	ASSE 1001, CSA B64.1.1
Vacuum breaker wall hydrants, frost-resistant, automatic-draining type	High or low hazard	Low head backpressure or backsiphonage Sizes 19 mm – 25 mm	ASSE 1019, CSA B64.2.2
Other Means Or Methods			
Air gap	High or low hazard	Backsiphonage only	ASME A112.1.2
Air gap fittings for use with plumbing fixtures, appliances and appurtenances	High or low hazard	Backsiphonage or backpressure	ASME A112.1.3

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch.

1. Low hazard—See Pollution (Section R202). High hazard—See Contamination (Section R202).
2. See Backpressure (Section R202). See Backpressure, Low Head (Section R202). See Backsiphonage (Section R202).

be protected by an atmospheric-type or pressure-type vac-

P2902.4.2 Deck-mounted and integral vacuum breakers. *Approved* deck-mounted or equipment-mounted vacuum breakers and faucets with integral atmospheric vacuum breakers or spill-resistant vacuum breaker assemblies shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer’s instructions and the requirements for labeling. The critical level of the breakers and assemblies shall be located at not less than 25 mm (1 inch) above the *flood level rim*.

P2902.4.3 Hose connection. Sillcocks, hose bibbs, wall hydrants and other openings with a hose connection shall

uum breaker, a pressure vacuum-breaker assembly or a permanently attached hose connection vacuum breaker.

Exceptions:

1. This section shall not apply to water heater and boiler drain valves that are provided with hose connection threads and that are intended only for tank or vessel draining.
2. This section shall not apply to water supply valves intended for connection of clothes wash- ing machines where backflow prevention is oth- erwise provided or is integral with the machine

**TABLE P2902.3.1
MINIMUM AIR GAPS**

FIXTURE	MINIMUM AIR GAP	
	Away from a wall ^a (Millimetres)	Close to a wall (Millimetres)
Effective openings greater than 25 mm	Two times the diameter of the effective opening	Three times the diameter of the effective opening
Lavatories and other fixtures with effective opening not greater than 12.5 mm in diameter.	25	455
Over-rim bath fillers and other fixtures with effective openings not greater than 25 mm in diameter.	51	76
Sink, laundry trays, gooseneck back faucets and other fixtures with effective openings not greater than 19 mm in diameter.	38	64

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch.

1. Applicable where walls or obstructions are spaced from the nearest inside edge of the spout opening a distance greater than three times the diameter of the effective opening for a single wall, or a distance greater than four times the diameter of the effective opening for two intersecting walls.

P2902.5 Protection of potable water connections. Connections to the potable water shall conform to Sections P2902.5.1 through P2902.5.5.

installed in accordance with Section P2904.1, backflow protection for the water supply system shall not be required.

P2902.5.1 Connections to boilers. Where chemicals will not be introduced into a boiler, the potable water supply to the boiler shall be protected from the boiler by a backflow preventer with an intermediate atmospheric vent complying with ASSE 1012 or CSA B64.3. Where chemicals will be introduced into a boiler, the potable water supply to the boiler shall be protected from the boiler by an *air gap* or a reduced pressure principle backflow prevention assembly complying with ASSE 1013, CSA B64.4 or AWWA C511.

P2902.5.2 Heat exchangers. Heat exchangers using an essentially toxic transfer fluid shall be separated from the potable water by double-wall construction. An *air gap* open to the atmosphere shall be provided between the two walls. Single-wall construction heat exchangers shall be used only where an *essentially nontoxic transfer fluid* is utilized.

P2902.5.3 Lawn irrigation systems. The potable water supply to lawn irrigation systems shall be protected against backflow by an atmospheric vacuum breaker, a pressure vacuum-breaker assembly or a reduced pressure principle backflow prevention assembly. Valves shall not be installed downstream from an atmospheric vacuum breaker. Where chemicals are introduced into the system, the potable water supply shall be protected against backflow by a reduced pressure principle backflow prevention assembly.

P2902.5.4 Connections to automatic fire sprinkler systems. The potable water supply to automatic fire sprinkler systems shall be protected against backflow by a double-check backflow prevention assembly, a double-check fire protection backflow prevention assembly, a reduced pressure principle backflow prevention assembly or a reduced pressure principle fire protection backflow prevention assembly.

Exception: Where sprinkler systems are
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P2902.5.4.1 Additives or nonpotable source. Where systems contain chemical additives or antifreeze, or where systems are connected to a nonpotable secondary water supply, the potable water supply shall be protected against backflow by a reduced pressure principle backflow prevention assembly or a reduced pressure principle fire protection backflow prevention assembly. Where chemical additives or antifreeze is added to only a portion of an automatic fire sprinkler or standpipe system, the reduced pressure principle fire protection backflow preventer shall be permitted to be located so as to isolate that portion of the system.

P2902.5.5 Solar thermal systems. Where a solar thermal system heats potable water to supply a potable *hot water* distribution or any other type of heating system, the solar thermal system shall be in accordance with Section P2902.5.5.1, P2902.5.5.2 or P2902.5.5.3 as applicable.

P2902.5.5.1 Indirect systems. Water supplies of any type shall not be connected to the solar heating loop of an indirect solar thermal *hot water* heating system. This requirement shall not prohibit the presence of inlets or outlets on the solar heating loop for the purposes of servicing the fluid in the solar heating loop.

P2902.5.5.2 Direct systems for potable water distribution systems. Where a solar thermal system directly heats potable water for a potable water distribution system, the pipe, fittings, valves and other components that are in contact with the potable water in the system shall comply with the requirements of Chapter 29.

P2902.5.5.3 Direct systems for other than potable water distribution systems. Where a solar thermal system directly heats water for a system other than a potable water distribution system, a potable water supply connected to such system shall be protected by a backflow preventer with an intermediate atmospheric vent complying with ASSE 1012. Where a solar thermal system directly heats chemically treated water for a system other than a potable water distribution system, a potable water supply connected to such system shall be protected by a reduced pressure principle backflow prevention assembly complying with ASSE 1013.

P2902.6 Location of backflow preventers. Access shall be provided to backflow preventers as specified by the manufacturer’s installation instructions.

P2902.6.1 Outdoor enclosures for backflow prevention devices. Outdoor enclosures for backflow prevention devices shall comply with ASSE 1060.

P2902.6.2 Protection of backflow preventers. Backflow preventers shall not be located in areas subject to freezing except where they can be removed by means of unions, or are protected by heat, insulation or both.

P2902.6.3 Relief port piping. The termination of the piping from the relief port or air gap fitting of the backflow preventer shall discharge to an *approved* indirect waste receptor or to the outdoors where it will not cause damage or create a nuisance.

**SECTION P2903
WATER SUPPLY SYSTEM**

P2903.1 Water supply system design criteria. The water service and water distribution systems shall be designed and pipe sizes shall be selected such that under conditions of peak

demand, the capacities at the point of outlet discharge shall be not less than shown in Table P2903.1.

P2903.2 Maximum flow and water consumption. The maximum water consumption flow rates and quantities for plumbing fixtures and fixture fittings shall be in accordance with Table P2903.2.

P2903.3 Minimum pressure. Where the water pressure supplied by the public water main or an individual water supply system is insufficient to provide for the minimum pressures and quantities for the plumbing fixtures in the building, the pressure shall be increased by means of an elevated water tank, a hydro-pneumatic pressure booster system or a water pressure booster pump.

P2903.3.1 Maximum pressure. The static water pressure shall be not greater than 551 kPa (80 psi). Where the main pressure exceeds 551 kPa (80 psi), an *approved* pressure-reducing valve conforming to ASSE 1003 or CSA B356 shall be installed on the domestic water branch main or riser at the connection to the water service pipe.

P2903.4 Thermal expansion control. A means for controlling increased pressure caused by thermal expansion shall be installed where required in accordance with Sections P2903.4.1 and P2903.4.2.

**TABLE P2903.1
REQUIRED CAPACITIES AT POINT OF OUTLET DISCHARGE**

FIXTURE SUPPLY OUTLET SERVING	FLOW RATE (L/m)	FLOW PRESSURE (kPa)
Bathtub, balanced-pressure, thermostatic or combination balanced-pressure/thermostatic mixing valve	15	138
Bidet, thermostatic mixing valve	7.5	138
Dishwasher	10.4	55
Laundry tray	15	55
Lavatory	3	55
Shower, balanced-pressure, thermostatic or combination balanced-pressure/thermostatic mixing valve	9.5 ^a	138
Sillcock, hose bibb	19	55
Sink	6.6	55
Water closet, flushometer tank	6	138
Water closet, tank, close coupled	11.35	138
Water closet, tank, one-piece	22.7	138

For SI: 1 kPa = 0.145 lb/in², 1 L/m = 0.264 gpm.

- Where the shower mixing valve manufacturer indicates a lower flow rating for the mixing valve, the lower value shall be applied.

**TABLE P2903.2
MAXIMUM FLOW RATES AND CONSUMPTION FOR PLUMBING FIXTURES AND FIXTURE FITTINGS^b**

PLUMBING FIXTURE OR FIXTURE FITTING	MAXIMUM FLOW RATE OR QUANTITY
Lavatory faucet	8.33 L/m at 418 kPa
Shower head ^a	9.46 L/m at 552 kPa
Sink faucet	8.33 L/m at 418 kPa
Water closet	6.0 L per flushing cycle

For Inch Pound Units: 1 Litre per minute = 0.2642 gallon,
1 kPa = 0.145 gallon.

- A handheld shower spray shall be considered to be a shower head.
- Consumption tolerances shall be determined from referenced standards.

P2903.4.1 Pressure-reducing valve. For water service system sizes up to and including 51 mm (2 inches), a device for controlling pressure shall be installed where, because of thermal expansion, the pressure on the downstream side of a pressure-reducing valve exceeds the pressure-reducing valve setting.

P2903.4.2 Backflow prevention device or check valve. Where a backflow prevention device, check valve or other device is installed on a water supply system using storage water heating equipment such that thermal expansion causes an increase in pressure, a device for controlling pressure shall be installed.

P2903.5 Water hammer. The flow velocity of the water distribution system shall be controlled to reduce the possibility of water hammer. A water-hammer arrestor shall be installed where quick-closing valves are utilized. Water-hammer arrestors shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer’s instructions. Water-hammer arrestors shall conform to ASSE 1010.

P2903.6 Determining water supply fixture units. Supply loads in the building water distribution system shall be determined by total load on the pipe being sized, in terms of water supply fixture units (w.s.f.u.), as shown in Table P2903.6, and Litre per minute (L/m) flow rates [see Table P2903.6(1)]. For fixtures not listed, choose a w.s.f.u. value of a fixture with similar flow characteristics.

P2903.7 Size of water-service mains, branch mains and risers. The size of the water service pipe shall be not less than 19 mm (3/4 inch) diameter. The size of water service mains, branch mains and risers shall be determined from the water supply demand [L/m (gpm)], available water pressure [kPa (psi)] and friction loss caused by the water meter and *developed length* of pipe [metre (feet)], including *equivalent length* of fittings. The size of each water distribution system shall be determined according to design methods conforming to acceptable engineering practice, such as those methods in Appendix P and shall be *approved* by the *building official*.

P2903.8 Gridded and parallel water distribution systems. Hot water and cold water manifolds installed with parallel-connected individual distribution lines and cold water manifolds installed with gridded distribution lines to each fixture or fixture fitting shall be designed in accordance with Sections P2903.8.1 through P2903.8.5. Gridded systems for hot water distribution systems shall be prohibited.

P2903.8.1 Sizing of manifolds. Manifolds shall be sized in accordance with Table P2903.8.1. Total Litres per minute is the demand for all outlets.

**TABLE P2903.8.1
MANIFOLD SIZING^a**

PLASTIC		METALLIC	
Nominal Size ID (Millimetres)	Maximum ^b L/m	Nominal Size ID (Millimetres)	Maximum ^b L/m
19	64	19	42
25	110	25	76
32	174	32	31
38	250	36	117

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 L/m = 0.264 gpm, 1 m/s = 3.28 ft/s.

1. See Table P2903.6 for w.s.f.u and Table 2903.6(1) for Litre-per-minute (L/m) flow rates.
2. Based on velocity limitation: plastic-3.658 m/s; metal-2.4338 m/s.

P2903.8.2 Minimum size. Where the *developed length* of the distribution line is 18,300 mm (60 feet) or less, and the available pressure at the meter is not less than 276 kPa (40 pounds per square inch), the size of individual distribution lines shall be not less than 9.5 mm (3/8 inch) diameter. Certain fixtures such as one-piece water closets and whirlpool bathtubs shall require a larger size where specified by the manufacturer. Where a water heater is fed from the end of a cold water manifold, the manifold shall be one size larger than the water heater feed.

P2903.8.3 Support and protection. Plastic piping bundles shall be secured in accordance with the manufacturer’s instructions and supported in accordance with Section P2605. Bundles that have a change in direction equal to or greater than 45 degrees (0.79 rad) shall be protected from chafing at the point of contact with framing members by sleeving or wrapping.

P2903.8.4 Valving. Fixture valves, when installed, shall be located either at the fixture or at the manifold. Valves installed at the manifold shall be labelled indicating the fixture served.

P2903.8.5 Hose bibb bleed. A *readily accessible* air bleed shall be installed in hose bibb supplies at the manifold or at the hose bibb exit point.

P2903.9 Valves. Valves shall be installed in accordance with Sections P2903.9.1 through P2903.9.5.

P2903.9.1 Service valve. Each *dwelling unit* shall be provided with an accessible main shutoff valve near the entrance of the water service. The valve shall be of a full-open type having nominal restriction to flow, with provision for drainage such as a bleed orifice or installation of a separate drain valve. Additionally, the water service shall be valved at the curb or lot line in accordance with local requirements.

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**TABLE P2903.6
WATER-SUPPLY FIXTURE-UNIT VALUES FOR VARIOUS PLUMBING FIXTURES AND FIXTURE GROUPS**

TYPE OF FIXTURES OR GROUP OF FIXTURES	WATER-SUPPLY FIXTURE-UNIT VALUE (w.s.f.u.)		
	Hot	Cold	Combined
Bathtub (with/without overhead shower head)	1.0	1.0	1.4
Clothes washer	1.0	1.0	1.4
Dishwasher	1.4	—	1.4
Full-bath group with bathtub (with/without shower head) or shower stall	1.5	2.7	3.6
Half-bath group (water closet and lavatory)	0.5	2.5	2.6
Hose bibb (sillcock) ^a	—	2.5	2.5
Kitchen group (dishwasher and sink with or without food-waste disposer)	1.9	1.0	2.5
Kitchen sink	1.0	1.0	1.4
Laundry group (clothes washer standpipe and laundry tub)	1.8	1.8	2.5
Laundry tub	1.0	1.0	1.4
Lavatory	0.5	0.5	0.7
Shower stall	1.0	1.0	1.4
Water closet (tank type)	—	2.2	2.2

For Inch Pound Units: 1 L/m = 0.264 gpm.

- The fixture unit value 2.5 assumes a flow demand of 9.5 L/m (2.5 gpm), such as for an individual lawn sprinkler device. If a hose bibb or sill cock will be required to furnish a greater flow, the equivalent fixture-unit value may be obtained from this table or Table P2903.6(1).

**TABLE P2903.6(1)
CONVERSIONS FROM WATER SUPPLY FIXTURE UNIT TO LITRE PER MINUTE FLOW RATES**

SUPPLY SYSTEMS PREDOMINANTLY FOR FLUSH TANKS			SUPPLY SYSTEMS PREDOMINANTLY FOR FLUSHOMETER VALVES		
Load	Demand		Load	Demand	
(Water supply fixture units)	(Litres per minute)	(Litres per second)	(Water supply fixture units)	(Litres per minute)	(Litres per second)
1	11.4	0.00194	—	—	—
2	18.9	0.03228	—	—	—
3	24.6	0.41004	—	—	—
4	30.3	0.50467	—	—	—
5	35.6	0.592986	5	56.8	0.9463
6	40.5	0.674994	6	65.9	1.097655
7	44.7	0.744386	7	74.9	1.248819
8	48.4	0.807470	8	84.0	1.400456
9	51.9	0.864245	9	93.1	1.551856
10	55.3	0.921020	10	102.2	1.70326
11	58.3	0.971487	11	105.2	1.753724
12	60.6	1.00934	12	108.3	1.804191
13	62.5	1.04088	13	111.3	1.854657
14	64.3	1.07242	14	114.3	1.905124
15	66.2	1.1040	15	117.3	1.95559
16	68.1	1.37145	16	120.4	2.001339
17	69.6	1.160738	17	123.4	2.056525
18	71.2	1.185972	18	126.4	2.106992
19	72.7	1.211205	19	129.4	2.157459
20	74.2	1.236438	20	132.5	2.20793

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TABLE P2903.6(1)—continued
 CONVERSIONS FROM WATER SUPPLY FIXTURE UNIT TO LITRES PER MINUTE FLOW RATES

SUPPLY SYSTEMS PREDOMINANTLY FOR FLUSH TANKS			SUPPLY SYSTEMS PREDOMINANTLY FOR FLUSHOMETER VALVES		
Load	Demand		Load	Demand	
(Water supply fixture units)	(Litres per minute)	(Litres per second)	(Water supply fixture units)	(Litres per minute)	(Litres per second)
25	81.4	1.35630	25	143.8	2.39718
30	88.2	1.469848	30	159	2.64904
35	94.2	1.570781	35	166.5	2.77568
40	99.5	1.659098	40	174.1	2.90185
45	104.8	1.747415	45	181.7	3.02801
50	110.1	1.835733	50	189.3	3.15418

For SI: 1 L/m = 0.2642 gallon per minute, 1 L/s = 2.1191 cubic foot per minute.

P2903.9.2 Water heater valve. A readily accessible full-open valve shall be installed in the cold-water supply pipe to each water heater at or near the water heater.

P2903.9.3 Fixture valves and access. Shutoff valves shall be required on each fixture supply pipe to each plumbing appliance and to each plumbing fixture other than bathtubs and showers. Valves serving individual plumbing fixtures, plumbing appliances, risers and branches shall be accessible.

P2903.9.4 Valve requirements. Valves shall be compatible with the type of piping material installed in the system. Valves shall conform to one of the standards indicated in Table P2903.9.4 or shall be approved. Valves intended to supply drinking water shall meet the requirements of NSF 61.

P2903.9.5 Valves and outlets prohibited below grade. Potable water outlets and combination stop-and-waste valves shall not be installed underground or below grade. Freezeproof yard hydrants that drain the riser into the ground are considered to be stop-and-waste valves.

Exception: Installation of freezeproof yard hydrants that drain the riser into the ground shall be permitted if the potable water supply to such hydrants is protected upstream of the hydrants in accordance with Section P2902 and the hydrants are permanently identified as nonpotable outlets by approved signage that reads as follows: “CAUTION, NONPOTABLE WATER. DO NOT DRINK.”

P2903.10 Hose bibb. Hose bibbs will not be subject to freezing in Jamaica and therefore the “frostproof” type and its accessible stop-and-waste-type valve will not be needed.

P2903.11 Drain water heat recovery units. Drain water heat recovery units shall be in accordance with Section N1103.5.4.

**SECTION P2904
 DWELLING UNIT FIRE SPRINKLER SYSTEMS**

P2904.1 General. Where voluntarily installed the design and installation of residential fire sprinkler systems shall be in accordance with NFPA 13D or Section P2904, which shall be considered to be equivalent to NFPA 13D. Partial residential sprinkler systems shall be permitted. Section P2904 shall apply to stand-alone and multipurpose wet-pipe sprinkler systems that do not include the use of antifreeze. A multipurpose fire sprinkler system shall provide domestic water to both fire sprinklers and plumbing fixtures. A stand-alone sprinkler system shall be separate and independent from the water distribution system. A backflow preventer shall not be required to separate a sprinkler system from the water distribution system, provided that the sprinkler system complies with all of the following:

1. The system complies with NFPA 13D or Section P2904.
2. The piping material complies with Section P2906.
3. The system does not contain antifreeze.
4. The system does not have a fire department connection.

P2904.1.1 Required sprinkler locations. Sprinklers where used should be installed to protect all areas of a dwelling unit not exempt by this clause.

Exceptions:

1. Attics, crawl spaces and normally unoccupied concealed spaces that do not contain fuel-fired appliances do not require sprinklers. In attics, crawl spaces and normally unoccupied concealed spaces that contain fuel-fired equipment, a sprinkler shall be installed above the equipment; however, sprinklers shall not be required in the remainder of the space.
2. Clothes closets, linen closets and pantries not exceeding 2.3 m² (24 square feet) in area, with the smallest dimension not greater than 915 mm (3 feet) and having wall and ceiling surfaces of gypsum board.

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3. Bathrooms not more than 5.1 m² (55 square feet) in area.
4. Garages; carports; exterior porches; unheated entry areas, such as mud rooms, that are adjacent to an exterior door; and similar areas.
5. All living areas of the building has acceptable heat and/or smoke detection system with alarms, the longest egress pathway is within the maximum specified by this code and there are a minimum of two fire escapes to the outdoors.

P2904.2 Sprinklers. Sprinklers where used shall be new listed residential sprinklers and shall be installed in accordance with the sprinkler manufacturer’s instructions.

P2904.2.1 Temperature rating and separation from heat sources. Except as provided for in Section P2904.2.2, sprinklers shall have a temperature rating of not less than 57°C (135°F) and not more than 77°C (170°F). Sprinklers

shall be separated from heat sources as required by the sprinkler manufacturer’s installation instructions.

P2904.2.2 Intermediate temperature sprinklers. Sprinklers shall have an intermediate temperature rating not less than 79°C (175°F) and not more than 107°C (225°F) where installed in the following locations:

1. Directly under skylights, where the sprinkler is exposed to direct sunlight.
2. In attics.
3. In concealed spaces located directly beneath a roof.
4. Within the distance to a heat source as specified in Table P2904.2.2.

**TABLE P2903.9.4
VALVES**

MATERIAL	STANDARD
Chlorinated polyvinyl chloride (CPVC) plastic	ASME A112.4.14, ASME A112.18.1/CSA B125.1, ASTM F1970, CSA B125.3, MSS SP-122
Copper or copper alloy	ASME A112.4.14, ASME A112.18.1/CSA B125.1, ASME B16.34, CSA B125.3, MSS SP-67, MSS SP-80, MSS SP-110, MSS SP-139
Gray and ductile iron	ASTM A126, AWWA C500, AWWA C504, AWWA C507, MSS SP-42, MSS SP-67, MSS SP-70, MSS SP-71, MSS SP-72, MSS SP-78
Cross-linked polyethylene (PEX) plastic	ASME A112.4.14, ASME A112.18.1/CSA B125.1, CSA B125.3, NSF 359
Polypropylene (PP) plastic	ASME A112.4.14, ASTM F2389
Polyvinyl chloride (PVC) plastic	ASME A112.4.14, ASTM F1970, MSS SP-122

**TABLE P2904.2.2
LOCATIONS WHERE INTERMEDIATE TEMPERATURE SPRINKLERS ARE REQUIRED**

HEAT SOURCE	RANGE OF DISTANCE FROM HEAT SOURCE WITHIN WHICH INTERMEDIATE TEMPERATURE SPRINKLERS ARE REQUIRED ^{a, b} (Millimetres)
Fireplace, side of open or recessed fireplace	305 to 915
Fireplace, front of recessed fireplace	915 to 1,525
Coal and wood burning stove	305 to 1,065
Kitchen range top	230 to 455
Oven	230 to 455
Vent connector or chimney connector	230 to 455
Heating duct, not insulated	230 to 455
Hot water pipe, not insulated	150 to 305
Side of ceiling or wall warm air register	305 to 610
Front of wall mounted warm air register	455 to 915
Water heater, furnace or boiler	76 to 150
Luminaire up to 250 watts	76 to 150
Luminaire 250 watts up to 499 watts	150 to 305

For Sinch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch.

1. Sprinklers shall not be located at distances less than the minimum table distance unless the sprinkler listing allows a lesser distance.
2. Distances shall be measured in a straight line from the nearest edge of the heat source to the nearest edge of the sprinkler.

P2904.2.3 Freezing areas. Not applicable.

P2904.2.4 Sprinkler coverage. Sprinkler coverage requirements and sprinkler obstruction requirements shall be in accordance with Sections P2904.2.4.1 and P2904.2.4.2.

P2904.2.4.1 Coverage area limit. The area of coverage of a single sprinkler shall not exceed 37 m² (400 square feet) and shall be based on the sprinkler *listing* and the sprinkler manufacturer’s installation instructions.

P2904.2.4.2 Obstructions to coverage. Sprinkler discharge shall not be blocked by obstructions unless additional sprinklers are installed to protect the obstructed area. Additional sprinklers shall not be required where the sprinkler separation from obstructions complies with either the minimum distance indicated in Figure P2904.2.4.2 or the minimum distances specified in the sprinkler manufacturer’s instructions where the manufacturer’s instructions permit a lesser distance.

P2904.2.4.2.1 Additional requirements for pendent sprinklers. Pendent sprinklers within 915 mm (3 feet) of the center of a ceiling fan, surface-mounted ceiling luminaire or similar object shall be considered to be obstructed, and additional sprinklers shall be installed.

P2904.2.4.2.2 Additional requirements for side-wall sprinklers. Sidewall sprinklers within 1,525 mm (5 feet) of the center of a ceiling fan, surface-mounted ceiling luminaire or similar object shall be considered to be obstructed, and additional sprinklers shall be installed.

P2904.2.5 Sprinkler installation on systems assembled with solvent cement. The solvent cementing of threaded adapter fittings shall be completed and threaded adapters for sprinklers shall be verified as being clear of excess cement prior to the installation of sprinklers on systems assembled with solvent cement.

P2904.2.6 Sprinkler modifications prohibited. Painting, caulking or modifying of sprinklers shall be prohibited. Sprinklers that have been painted, caulked, modified or damaged shall be replaced with new sprinklers.

P2904.3 Sprinkler piping system. Sprinkler piping shall be supported in accordance with requirements for cold water distribution piping. Sprinkler piping shall comply with the requirements for cold water distribution piping. For multipurpose piping systems, the sprinkler piping shall connect to and be a part of the cold water distribution piping system.

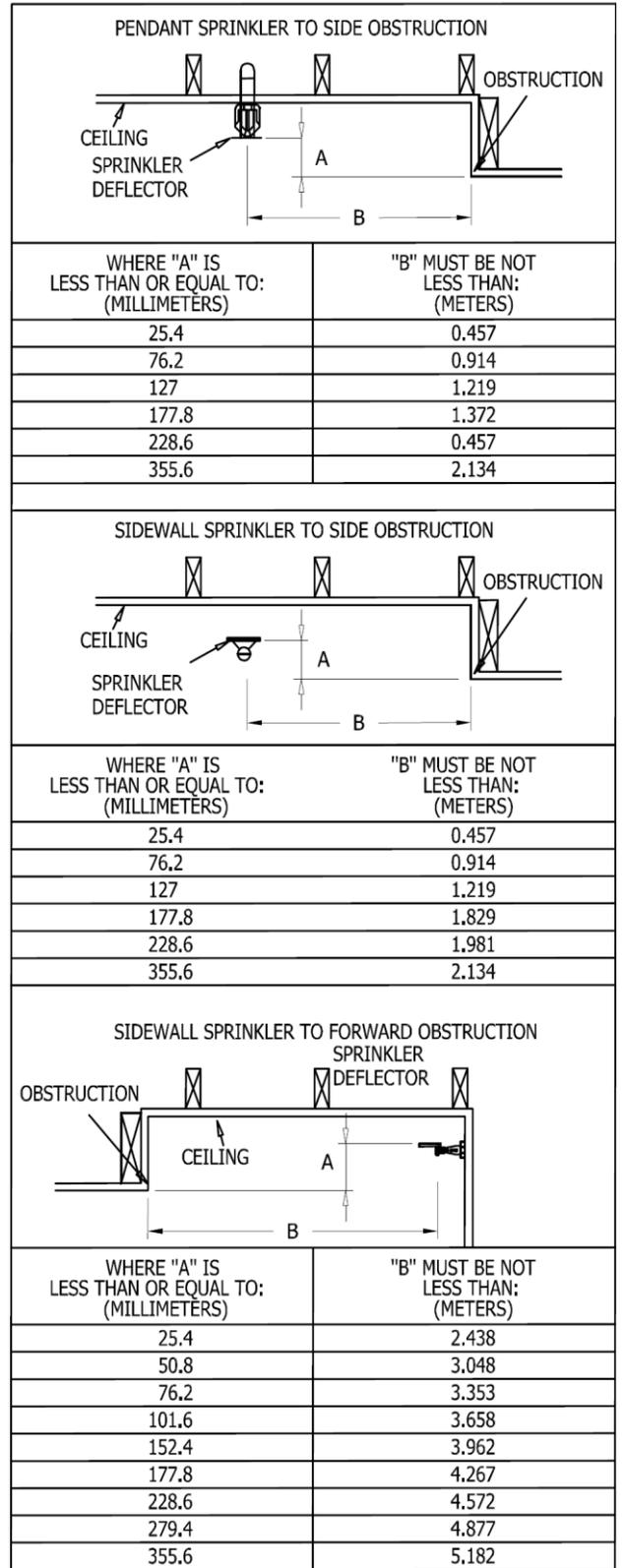
Exception: For plastic piping, it shall be permissible to follow the manufacturer’s installation instructions.

P2904.3.1 Nonmetallic pipe and tubing. Nonmetallic pipe and tubing, such as CPVC, PEX, and PE-RT shall be *listed* for use in residential fire sprinkler systems.

P2904.3.1.1 Nonmetallic pipe protection. Nonmetallic pipe and tubing systems shall be protected from exposure to the living space by a layer of not less than 9.5 mm (³/₈-inch)- thick gypsum wallboard 12.5 mm, (¹/₂-inch)- thick plywood, or other material having a 15-minute fire rating.

Exceptions:

1. Pipe protection shall not be required in areas that do not require protection with sprinklers as specified in Section P2904.1.1.
2. Pipe protection shall not be required where exposed piping is permitted by the pipe *listing*.



For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot .

**FIGURE P2904.2.4.2
MINIMUM ALLOWABLE DISTANCE BETWEEN
SPRINKLER AND OBSTRUCTION**

P2904.3.2 Shutoff valves prohibited. With the exception of shutoff valves for the entire water distribution system, valves shall not be installed in any location where the valve would isolate piping serving one or more sprinklers.

P2904.3.3 Single dwelling limit. Piping beyond the service valve located at the beginning of the water distribution system shall not serve more than one *dwelling*.

P2904.3.4 Drain. A means to drain the sprinkler system shall be provided on the system side of the water distribution shutoff valve.

P2904.4 Determining system design flow. The flow for sizing the sprinkler piping system shall be based on the flow rating of each sprinkler in accordance with Section P2904.4.1 and the calculation in accordance with Section P2904.4.2.

P2904.4.1 Determining required flow rate for each sprinkler. The minimum required flow for each sprinkler shall be determined using the sprinkler manufacturer's published data for the specific sprinkler model based on all of the following:

1. The area of coverage.
2. The ceiling configuration.
3. The temperature rating.
4. Any additional conditions specified by the sprinkler manufacturer.

P2904.4.2 System design flow rate. The design flow rate for the system shall be based on the following:

1. The design flow rate for a room having only one sprinkler shall be the flow rate required for that sprinkler, as determined by Section P2904.4.1.
2. The design flow rate for a room having two or more sprinklers shall be determined by identifying the sprinkler in that room with the highest required flow rate, based on Section P2904.4.1, and multiplying that flow rate by 2.
3. Where the sprinkler manufacturer specifies different criteria for ceiling configurations that are not smooth, flat and horizontal, the required flow rate for that room shall comply with the sprinkler manufacturer's instructions.
4. The design flow rate for the sprinkler system shall be the flow required by the room with the largest flow rate, based on Items 1, 2 and 3.
5. For the purpose of this section, it shall be permissible to reduce the design flow rate for a room by subdividing the space into two or more rooms, where each room is evaluated separately with

respect to the required design flow rate. Each room shall be bounded by walls and a ceiling. Openings in walls shall have a lintel not less than 205 mm (8 inches) in depth and each lintel shall form a solid barrier between the ceiling and the top of the opening.

P2904.5 Water supply. The water supply shall provide not less than the required design flow rate for sprinklers in accordance with Section P2904.4.2 at a pressure not less than that used to comply with Section P2904.6.

P2904.5.1 Water supply from individual sources.

Where a *dwelling unit* water supply is from a tank system, a private well system or a combination of these, the available water supply shall be based on the minimum pressure control setting for the pump.

P2904.5.2 Required capacity. The water supply shall have the capacity to provide the required design flow rate for sprinklers for a period of time as follows:

1. Seven minutes for *dwelling units one story* in height and less than 186 m² (2,000 square feet) in area.
2. Ten minutes for *dwelling units two or more stories* in height or equal to or greater than 186 m² (2,000 square feet) in area.

Where a well system, a water supply tank system or a combination thereof is used, any combination of well capacity and tank storage shall be permitted to meet the capacity requirement.

P2904.6 Pipe sizing. The piping to sprinklers shall be sized for the flow required by Section P2904.4.2. The flow required to supply the plumbing fixtures shall not be required to be added to the sprinkler design flow.

P2904.6.1 Method of sizing pipe. Piping supplying sprinklers shall be sized using the prescriptive method in Section P2904.6.2 or by hydraulic calculation in accordance with NFPA 13D. The minimum pipe size from the water supply source to any sprinkler shall be 19 mm (3/4 inch) nominal. Threaded adapter fittings at the point where

sprinklers are attached to the piping shall be not less than 12.5 mm (1/2 inch) nominal.

P2904.6.2 Prescriptive pipe sizing method. Pipe shall be sized by determining the available pressure to offset friction loss in piping and identifying a piping material, diameter and length using the equation in Section P2904.6.2.1 and the procedure in Section P2904.6.2.2.

P2904.6.2.1 Available pressure equation. The pressure available to offset friction loss in the interior piping system (P_i) shall be determined in accordance with the Equation 29-1.

$$P_i = P_{sup} - PL_{svc} - PL_m - PL_d - PL_e - P_{sp} \text{ (Equation 29-1)}$$

where:

P_i = Pressure used in applying Tables P2904.6.2(4) through P2904.6.2(9).

P_{sup} = Pressure available from the water supply source.

PL_{svc} = Pressure loss in the water service pipe. (Table P2904.6.2(1))

PL_m = Pressure loss in the water meter. (Table P2904.6.2(2))

PL_d = Pressure loss from devices other than the water meter.

PL_e = Pressure loss associated with changes in elevation. (Table P2904.6.2(3))

P_{sp} = Maximum pressure required by a sprinkler.

**TABLE P2904.6.2(1)
WATER SERVICE PRESSURE LOSS (PL_{svc})^{a, b}**

FLOW RATE ^c (L/s)	3/4-INCH WATER SERVICE PRESSURE LOSS (psi)				1-INCH WATER SERVICE PRESSURE LOSS (psi)				1 1/4-INCH WATER SERVICE PRESSURE LOSS (psi)			
	Length of water service pipe (mm)				Length of water service pipe (mm)				Length of water service pipe (mm)			
	40 or less	41 to 75	76 to 100	101 to 150	40 or less	41 to 75	76 to 100	101 to 150	40 or less	41 to 75	76 to 100	101 to 150
0.504	1554.48	2651.76	3596.64	5303.52	457.20	762.00	1036.32	1554.48	182.88	304.80	396.24	579.12
0.63	2346.96	3992.88	5425.44	8016.24	701.04	1158.24	1584.96	2346.96	243.84	426.72	609.60	883.92
0.756	3291.84	5608.32	7589.52	NP	975.36	1645.92	2225.04	3261.36	365.76	609.60	822.96	1219.20
0.882	4389.12	7467.60	NP	NP	1280.16	2164.08	2926.08	4358.64	487.68	822.96	1097.28	1645.92
1.008	5608.32	NP	NP	NP	1645.92	2773.68	3779.52	5577.84	609.60	1036.32	1432.56	2103.12
1.134	6979.92	NP	NP	NP	2042.16	3474.72	4693.92	6918.96	762.00	1310.64	1767.84	2621.28
1.26	8473.44	NP	NP	NP	2468.88	4206.24	5699.76	8412.48	944.88	1584.96	2133.60	3169.92
1.386	NP	NP	NP	NP	2956.56	5029.20	6797.04	NP	1127.76	1889.76	2560.32	3779.52
1.512	NP	NP	NP	NP	3474.72	5882.64	7985.76	NP	1310.64	2225.04	3017.52	4450.08
1.638	NP	NP	NP	NP	4023.36	6827.52	NP	NP	1524	2590.80	3474.72	5151.12
1.764	NP	NP	NP	NP	4602.48	7833.36	NP	NP	1737.36	2956.56	3992.88	5913.12
1.89	NP	NP	NP	NP	5242.56	NP	NP	NP	1981.2	3352.80	4541.52	6705.60
2.016	NP	NP	NP	NP	5913.12	NP	NP	NP	2225.04	3779.52	5120.64	7559.04
2.142	NP	NP	NP	NP	6614.16	NP	NP	NP	2499.36	4236.72	5730.24	NP
2.268	NP	NP	NP	NP	7345.68	NP	NP	NP	2773.68	4693.92	6370.32	NP

For Inch pOund units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 L/s = 15.873 gallon per minute, 1 kPa = 0.145 pound per square inch. NP = Not Permitted. Pressure loss exceeds reasonable limits.

1. Values are applicable for underground piping materials listed in Table P2905.4 and are based on an SDR of 11 and a Hazen Williams C Factor of 150.

2. Values include the following length allowances for fittings: 25% length increase for actual lengths up to 30,500 mm (100 feet) and 15% length increase for

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actual lengths over 30,500 mm (100 feet).

3. Flow rate from Section P2904.4.2. Add 0.315 L/s (5 gpm) to the flow rate required by Section P2904.4.2 where the water service pipe supplies more than one dwelling.

TABLE P2904.6.2(2)
MINIMUM WATER METER PRESSURE LOSS (PL_m)^a

FLOW RATE (L/s)	16-mm METER PRESSURE LOSS (kPa)	19-mm METER PRESSURE LOSS (kPa)	25-mm METER PRESSURE LOSS (kPa)
0.504	13.79	6.895	6.895
0.63	20.685	6.895	6.895
0.756	27.58	6.895	6.895
0.882	34.475	13.79	6.895
1.008	48.265	20.685	6.895
1.134	62.055	27.58	6.895
1.26	75.845	27.58	13.79
1.386	NP	34.475	13.79
1.512	NP	34.475	13.79
1.638	NP	41.37	13.79
1.764	NP	41.37	13.79
1.89	NP	48.265	13.79
2.016	NP	48.265	20.685
2.142	NP	55.16	20.685
2.268	NP	55.16	20.685

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 kPa = 0.145 pound per square inch, 1 L/s = 15.873 gallon per minute. NP = Not permitted unless the actual water meter pressure loss is known.

1. Table P2904.6.2(2) establishes conservative values for water meter pressure loss or installations where the water meter loss is unknown. Where the actual water meter pressure loss is known, P_m shall be the actual loss.
2. Flow rate from Section P2904.4.2. Add 0.315 L/s (5 gpm) to the flow rate required by Section P2904.4.2 where the water service pipe supplies more than one dwelling.

TABLE P2904.6.2(3)
ELEVATION LOSS (PL_e)

ELEVATION (mm)	PRESSURE LOSS (kPa)
1,524	15.169
3,048	30.338
4,572	44.818
6,096	59.987
7,620	75.156
9,144	89.635
10,668	104.804
12,192	119.973

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 kPa = 0.145 pound per square inch.

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**TABLE P2904.6.2(4)
ALLOWABLE PIPE LENGTH FOR 19-mm TYPE M COPPER WATER TUBING**

SPRINKLER FLOW RATE ^a (L/s)	WATER DISTRIBUTION SIZE (mm)	AVAILABLE PRESSURE— P_a (kPa)									
		103.425	137.9	172.375	206.85	241.325	275.8	310.275	344.75	379.225	413.7
		Allowable length of pipe from service valve to farthest sprinkler (mm)									
7.704	19	66141.60	88087.2	110032.80	132283.20	154228.80	176174.40	198120.00	220370.40	242316.00	264261.60
8.667	19	53035.20	70713.6	88696.80	106375.20	124053.60	141732.00	159410.40	177088.80	194767.20	212445.60
9.630	19	43586.40	58216.8	72847.20	87477.60	102108.00	116738.40	131064.00	145694.40	160324.80	174955.20
10.593	19	36576.00	48768	60960.00	73456.80	85648.80	97840.80	110032.80	122224.80	134416.80	146608.80
11.556	19	31089.60	41757.6	52120.80	62484.00	72847.20	83210.40	93573.60	103936.80	114300.00	124968.00
12.519	19	26822.40	35966.40	44805.60	53949.60	62788.80	71628.00	80772.00	89611.20	98755.20	107594.40
13.482	19	23469.60	31394.40	39014.40	46939.20	54864.00	62484.00	70408.80	78333.60	85953.60	93878.40
14.445	19	20726.40	27432.00	34442.40	41452.80	48158.40	55168.80	61874.40	68884.80	75590.40	82600.80
15.408	19	18288.00	24384.00	30480.00	36576.00	42672.00	48768.00	54864.00	60960.00	67056.00	73456.80
16.371	19	16459.20	21945.60	27432.00	32918.40	38100.00	43586.40	49072.80	54559.20	60045.60	65532.00
17.334	19	14630.40	19507.20	24688.80	29565.60	34442.40	39319.20	44196.00	49072.80	53949.60	58826.40
18.297	19	13411.20	17678.40	22250.40	26822.40	31089.60	35661.60	39928.80	44500.80	48768.00	53340.00
19.260	19	12192.00	16154.40	20116.80	24384.00	28346.40	32308.80	36271.20	40538.40	44500.80	48463.20
20.223	19	10972.80	14630.40	18592.80	22250.40	25908.00	29565.60	33223.20	36880.80	40538.40	44196.00
21.186	19	10058.40	13411.20	17068.80	20421.60	23774.40	27127.20	30480.00	33832.80	37185.60	40538.40
22.149	19	9448.80	12496.80	15544.80	18592.80	21945.60	24993.60	28041.60	31089.60	34442.40	37490.40
23.112	19	8534.40	11582.40	14325.60	17373.60	20116.80	23164.80	25908.00	28956.00	31699.20	34747.20
24.075	19	7924.80	10668.00	13411.20	16154.40	18592.80	21336.00	24079.20	26822.40	29565.60	32004.00
25.038	19	7315.20	10058.40	12496.80	14935.20	17373.60	19812.00	22250.40	24993.60	27432.00	29870.40
26.001	19	7010.40	9144.00	11582.40	14020.80	16154.40	18592.80	21031.20	23164.80	25603.20	27736.80
26.964	19	6400.80	8534.40	10972.80	13106.40	15240.00	17373.60	19507.20	21640.80	23774.40	25908.00
27.927	19	6096.00	8229.60	10058.40	12192.00	14325.60	16154.40	18288.00	20421.60	22250.40	24384.00
28.890	19	5791.20	7620.00	9448.80	11582.40	13411.20	15240.00	17068.80	19202.40	21031.20	22860.00
29.853	19	5486.40	7315.20	8839.20	10668.00	12496.80	14325.60	16154.40	17983.20	19812.00	21640.80
30.816	19	5181.60	6705.60	8534.40	10058.40	11887.20	13411.20	15240.00	17068.80	18592.80	20421.60
31.779	19	4876.80	6400.80	7924.80	9753.60	11277.60	12801.60	14325.60	16154.40	17678.40	19202.40
32.742	19	NP	6096.00	7620.00	9144.00	10668.00	12192.00	13716.00	15240.00	16764.00	18288.00
33.705	19	NP	5791.20	7315.20	8534.40	10058.40	11582.40	12801.60	14325.60	15849.60	17373.60
34.668	19	NP	5486.40	6705.60	8229.60	9448.80	10972.80	12192.00	13716.00	14935.20	16459.20
35.631	19	NP	5181.60	6400.80	7924.80	9144.00	10363.20	11582.40	13106.40	14325.60	15544.80
36.594	19	NP	4876.80	6096.00	7315.20	8534.40	9753.60	10972.80	12192.00	13716.00	14935.20
37.557	19	NP	4572.00	5791.20	7010.40	8229.60	9448.80	10668.00	11887.20	12801.60	14020.80
38.520	19	NP	NP	5486.40	6705.60	7924.80	8839.20	10058.40	11277.60	12192.00	13411.20

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 kPa = 0.145 pound per square inch, 1 L/s = 15.873 gallon per minute. NP = Not Permitted.

1. Flow rate from Section P2904.4.2.

TABLE P2904.6.2(5)
ALLOWABLE PIPE LENGTH FOR 25-mm TYPE M COPPER WATER TUBING

SPRINKLER FLOW RATE* (L/s)	WATER DISTRIBUTION SIZE (mm)	AVAILABLE PRESSURE— <i>P_i</i> (kPa)									
		103.425	137.9	172.375	206.85	241.325	275.8	310.275	344.75	379.225	413.7
		Allowable length of pipe from service valve to farthest sprinkler (mm)									
7.704	25.4	245668.8	327660.0	409346.4	491337.6	573328.8	655015.2	737006.4	818997.6	900684.0	982675.2
8.667	25.4	197510.4	263347.2	329184.0	395020.8	460857.6	526694.4	592836.0	658672.8	724509.6	790346.4
9.630	25.4	162458.4	216712.8	270967.2	325221.6	379476.0	433425.6	487680.0	541934.4	596188.8	650443.2
10.593	25.4	136245.6	178612.8	227076.0	272491.2	317906.4	363321.6	408736.8	454456.8	499872.0	545287.2
11.556	25.4	116128.8	154838.4	193243.2	231952.8	270662.4	309372.0	348081.6	386791.2	425500.8	464210.4
12.519	25.4	99974.4	133502.4	166725.6	200253.6	233476.8	266700.0	300228.0	333451.2	366979.2	400202.4
13.482	25.4	87172.8	116433.6	145389.6	174345.6	203606.4	232562.4	261823.2	290779.2	319735.2	348996.0
14.445	25.4	76809.6	102412.8	128016.0	153619.2	179222.4	204825.6	230428.8	256032.0	281635.2	307238.4
15.408	25.4	68275.2	90830.4	113690.4	136245.6	159105.6	181660.8	204520.8	227076.0	249936.0	272491.2
16.371	25.4	60960.0	81076.8	101498.4	121920.0	142036.8	162458.4	182880.0	202996.8	223418.4	243535.2
17.334	25.4	54864.0	73152.0	91440.0	109728.0	128016.0	145999.2	164287.2	182575.2	200863.2	219151.2
18.297	25.4	49682.4	66141.6	82600.8	99060.0	115824.0	132283.2	148742.4	165201.6	181965.6	198424.8
19.260	25.4	45110.4	60045.6	75285.6	90220.8	105156.0	120396.0	135331.2	150266.4	165506.4	180441.6
20.223	25.4	41148.0	54864.0	68580.0	82296.0	96012.0	109728.0	123748.8	137464.8	151180.8	164896.8
21.186	25.4	37795.2	50292.0	63093.6	75590.4	88087.2	100888.8	113385.6	125882.4	138684.0	151180.8
22.149	25.4	34747.2	46329.6	57912.0	69494.4	81381.6	92964.0	104546.4	116128.8	127711.2	139293.6
23.112	25.4	32308.8	42976.8	53644.8	64312.8	74980.8	85953.6	96621.6	107289.6	117957.6	128625.6
24.075	25.4	29870.4	39928.8	49682.4	59740.8	69494.4	79552.8	89611.2	99364.8	109423.2	119481.6
25.038	25.4	27736.8	36880.8	46329.6	55473.6	64617.6	74066.4	83210.4	92659.2	101803.2	110947.2
26.001	25.4	25908.0	34442.4	43281.6	51816.0	60350.4	68884.8	77724.0	86258.4	94792.8	103632.0
26.964	25.4	24079.2	32308.8	40233.6	48463.2	56388.0	64617.6	72542.4	80772.0	88696.8	96926.4
27.927	25.4	22555.2	30175.2	37795.2	45415.2	53035.2	60350.4	67970.4	75590.4	83210.4	90830.4
28.890	25.4	21336.0	28346.4	35356.8	42672.0	49682.4	56692.8	64008.0	71018.4	78028.8	85344.0
29.853	25.4	20116.8	26822.4	33528.0	40233.6	46634.4	53340.0	60045.6	66751.2	73456.8	80162.4
30.816	25.4	18897.6	25298.4	31394.4	37795.2	44196.0	50292.0	56692.8	63093.6	69189.6	75590.4
31.779	25.4	17983.2	23774.4	29870.4	35661.6	41757.6	47548.8	53644.8	59436.0	65532.0	71323.2
32.742	25.4	16764.0	22555.2	28041.6	33832.8	39319.2	45110.4	50596.8	56388.0	61874.4	67665.6
33.705	25.4	16154.4	21336.0	26822.4	32004.0	37490.4	42672.0	48158.4	53340.0	58826.4	64008.0
34.668	25.4	15240.0	20116.8	25298.4	30480.0	35356.8	40538.4	45720.0	50596.8	55778.4	60655.2
35.631	25.4	14325.6	19202.4	24079.2	28956.0	33832.8	38404.8	43281.6	48158.4	53035.2	57912.0
36.594	25.4	13716.0	18288.0	22860.0	27432.0	32004.0	36576.0	41148.0	45720.0	50292.0	55168.8
37.557	25.4	13106.4	17373.6	21945.6	26212.8	30480.0	35052.0	39319.2	43586.4	48158.4	52425.6
38.520	25.4	12496.8	16764.0	20726.4	24993.6	29260.8	33223.2	37490.4	41757.6	45720.0	49987.2

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 kPa = 0.145 pound per square inch, 1 L/s = 15.873 gallon per minute.

1. Flow rate from Section P2904.4.2.

WATER SUPPLY AND DISTRIBUTION

**TABLE P2904.6.2(6)
ALLOWABLE PIPE LENGTH FOR 19-mm CPVC PIPE**

SPRINKLER FLOW RATE ^a (L/s)	WATER DISTRIBUTION SIZE (mm)	AVAILABLE PRESSURE— <i>P_i</i> (kPa)									
		103.425	137.9	172.375	206.85	241.325	275.8	310.275	344.75	379.225	413.7
		Allowable length of pipe from service valve to farthest sprinkler (mm)									
7.704	19	106070.4	141732.0	177088.8	212445.6	247802.4	283159.2	318516.0	353872.8	389534.4	424891.2
8.667	19	85344.0	113995.2	142341.6	170688.0	199339.2	227685.6	256336.8	284683.2	313029.6	341680.8
9.630	19	70408.8	93573.6	117043.2	140512.8	163982.4	187452.0	210921.6	234391.2	257556.0	281025.6
10.593	19	58826.4	78638.4	98145.6	117957.6	137464.8	156972.0	176784.0	196291.2	216103.2	235610.4
11.556	19	50292.0	66751.2	83515.2	100279.2	117043.2	133807.2	150571.2	167335.2	183794.4	200558.4
12.519	19	43281.6	57607.2	72237.6	86563.2	100888.8	115214.4	129844.8	144170.4	158496.0	173126.4
13.482	19	37795.2	50292.0	62788.8	75285.6	88087.2	100584.0	113080.8	125577.6	138379.2	150876.0
14.445	19	33223.2	44196.0	55473.6	66446.4	77419.2	88392.0	99669.6	110642.4	121615.2	132892.8
15.408	19	29565.6	39319.2	49072.8	58826.4	68884.8	78638.4	88392.0	98145.6	107899.2	117957.6
16.371	19	26212.8	35052.0	43891.2	52730.4	61569.6	70104.0	78943.2	87782.4	96621.6	105460.8
17.334	19	23774.4	31699.2	39624.0	47244.0	55168.8	63093.6	71018.4	78943.2	86868.0	94792.8
18.297	19	21336.0	28651.2	35661.6	42976.8	49987.2	57302.4	64312.8	71323.2	78638.4	85648.8
19.260	19	19507.2	25908.0	32613.6	39014.4	45415.2	52120.8	58521.6	64922.4	71628.0	78028.8
20.223	19	17678.4	23774.4	29565.6	35661.6	41452.8	47548.8	53340.0	59436.0	65227.2	71323.2
21.186	19	16459.2	21640.8	27127.2	32613.6	38100.0	43586.4	49072.8	54559.2	60045.6	65227.2
22.149	19	14935.2	20116.8	24993.6	30175.2	35052.0	40233.6	45110.4	50292.0	55168.8	60350.4
23.112	19	14020.8	18592.8	23164.8	27736.8	32613.6	37185.6	41757.6	46329.6	50901.6	55778.4
24.075	19	12801.6	17068.8	21640.8	25908.0	30175.2	34442.4	38709.6	42976.8	47244.0	51511.2
25.038	19	11887.2	15849.6	20116.8	24079.2	28041.6	32004.0	35966.4	39928.8	43891.2	47853.6
26.001	19	11277.6	14935.2	18592.8	22250.4	26212.8	29870.4	33528.0	37185.6	41148.0	44805.6
26.964	19	10363.2	14020.8	17373.6	21031.2	24384.0	28041.6	31394.4	34747.2	38404.8	41757.6
27.927	19	9753.6	13106.4	16459.2	19507.2	22860.0	26212.8	29260.8	32613.6	35966.4	39319.2
28.890	19	9144.0	12192.0	15240.0	18288.0	21336.0	24688.8	27736.8	30784.8	33832.8	36880.8
29.853	19	8534.4	11582.4	14325.6	17373.6	20116.8	23164.8	25908.0	28956.0	31699.2	34747.2
30.816	19	8229.6	10972.8	13716.0	16459.2	19202.4	21640.8	24384.0	27127.2	29870.4	32613.6
31.779	19	7620.0	10363.2	12801.6	15544.8	17983.2	20726.4	23164.8	25603.2	28346.4	30784.8
32.742	19	7315.2	9753.6	12192.0	14630.4	17068.8	19507.2	21945.6	24384.0	26822.4	29260.8
33.705	19	7010.4	9144.0	11582.4	13716.0	16154.4	18592.8	20726.4	23164.8	25298.4	27736.8
34.668	19	6705.6	8839.2	10972.8	13106.4	15240.0	17373.6	19812.0	21945.6	24079.2	26212.8
35.631	19	6096.0	8229.6	10363.2	12496.8	14630.4	16764.0	18592.8	20726.4	22860.0	24993.6
36.594	19	6096.0	7924.8	10058.4	11887.2	14020.8	15849.6	17983.2	19812.0	21945.6	23774.4
37.557	19	5791.2	7620.0	9448.8	11277.6	13106.4	15240.0	17068.8	18897.6	20726.4	22555.2
38.520	19	5486.4	7315.2	9144.0	10668.0	12496.8	14325.6	16154.4	17983.2	19812.0	21640.8

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 kPa = 0.145 pound per square inch, 1 L/s = 15.873 gallon per minute.

1. Flow rate from Section P2904.4.2.

TABLE P2904.6.2(7)
ALLOWABLE PIPE LENGTH FOR 25-mm CPVC PIPE

SPRINKLER FLOW RATE ^a (L/s)	WATER DISTRIBUTION SIZE (mm)	AVAILABLE PRESSURE— P_t (kPa)									
		103.425	137.9	172.375	206.85	241.325	275.8	310.275	344.75	379.225	413.7
		Allowable length of pipe from service valve to farthest sprinkler (mm)									
7.704	25.4	319735.2	426110.4	532790.4	639470.4	745845.6	852525.6	958900.8	1065580.8	1171956	1278636
8.667	25.4	256946.4	342900.0	428548.8	514197.6	599846.4	685495.2	771144.0	856792.8	942746.4	1028395.2
9.630	25.4	211531.2	281940.0	352653.6	423062.4	493471.2	564184.8	634593.6	705307.2	775716.0	846124.8
10.593	25.4	177393.6	236524.8	295656.0	354787.2	413918.4	473049.6	532180.8	591312.0	650138.4	709269.6
11.556	25.4	150876.0	201168.0	251764.8	302056.8	352348.8	402640.8	452932.8	503224.8	553516.8	603808.8
12.519	25.4	130149.6	173736.0	217017.6	260299.2	303885.6	347167.2	390448.8	434035.2	477316.8	520903.2
13.482	25.4	113385.6	151485.6	189280.8	227076.0	264871.2	302666.4	340461.6	378256.8	416356.8	454152.0
14.445	25.4	99974.4	133197.6	166420.8	199948.8	233172.0	266395.2	299618.4	333146.4	366369.6	399592.8
15.408	25.4	88696.8	118262.4	147828.0	177393.6	206959.2	236524.8	266090.4	295656.0	325221.6	354787.2
16.371	25.4	79248.0	105765.6	131978.4	158496.0	185013.6	211226.4	237744.0	264261.6	290779.2	316992.0
17.334	25.4	71323.2	95097.6	118872.0	142646.4	166420.8	190195.2	213969.6	237744.0	261518.4	285292.8
18.297	25.4	64617.6	85953.6	107594.4	128930.4	150571.2	172212.0	193548.0	215188.8	236524.8	258165.6
19.260	25.4	58826.4	78333.6	97840.8	117348.0	136855.2	156362.4	176174.4	195681.6	215188.8	234696.0
20.223	25.4	53644.8	71628.0	89306.4	107289.6	124968.0	142951.2	160934.4	178612.8	196596.0	214579.2
21.186	25.4	49072.8	65532.0	81991.2	98450.4	114909.6	131064.0	147523.2	163982.4	180441.6	196900.8
22.149	25.4	45415.2	60350.4	75590.4	90525.6	105765.6	120700.8	135940.8	151180.8	166116.0	181356.0
23.112	25.4	41757.6	55778.4	69799.2	83820.0	97840.8	111556.8	125577.6	139598.4	153619.2	167640.0
24.075	25.4	38709.6	51816.0	64617.6	77724.0	90525.6	103632.0	116433.6	129540.0	142341.6	155448.0
25.038	25.4	35966.4	48158.4	60045.6	72237.6	84124.8	96316.8	108204.0	120396.0	132283.2	144475.2
26.001	25.4	33832.8	44805.6	56083.2	67360.8	78638.4	89916.0	101193.6	112166.4	123444.0	134721.6
26.964	25.4	31394.4	42062.4	52425.6	63093.6	73456.8	83820.0	94488.0	104851.2	115519.2	125882.4
27.927	25.4	29565.6	39319.2	49072.8	59131.2	68884.8	78638.4	88392.0	98450.4	108204.0	117957.6
28.890	25.4	27736.8	36880.8	46329.6	55473.6	64617.6	73761.6	83210.4	92354.4	101498.4	110947.2
29.853	25.4	26212.8	34747.2	43586.4	52120.8	60960.0	69494.4	78333.6	86868.0	95707.2	104241.6
30.816	25.4	24688.8	32918.4	40843.2	49072.8	57302.4	65532.0	73761.6	81991.2	90220.8	98450.4
31.779	25.4	23164.8	31089.6	38709.6	46329.6	54254.4	61874.4	69799.2	77419.2	85344.0	92964.0
32.742	25.4	21945.6	29260.8	36576.0	43891.2	51206.4	58521.6	65836.8	73152.0	80772.0	88087.2
33.705	25.4	20726.4	27736.8	34747.2	41757.6	48768.0	55473.6	62484.0	69494.4	76504.8	83210.4
34.668	25.4	19812.0	26517.6	32918.4	39624.0	46024.8	52730.4	59436.0	65836.8	72542.4	79248.0
35.631	25.4	18897.6	24993.6	31394.4	37490.4	43891.2	50292.0	56388.0	62788.8	68884.8	75285.6
36.594	25.4	17983.2	23774.4	29870.4	35661.6	41757.6	47853.6	53644.8	59740.8	65532.0	71628.0
37.557	25.4	17068.8	22860.0	28346.4	34137.6	39928.8	45415.2	51206.4	56997.6	62484.0	68275.2
38.520	25.4	16154.4	21640.8	27127.2	32613.6	38100.0	43281.6	48768.0	54254.4	59740.8	65227.2

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 kPa = 0.145 pound per square inch, 1 L/s = 15.873 gallon per minute.

1. Flow rate from Section P2904.4.2.

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**TABLE P2904.6.2(8)
ALLOWABLE PIPE LENGTH FOR 19-mm PEX AND PE-RT TUBING**

SPRINKLER FLOW RATE ^a (gpm)	WATER DISTRIBUTION SIZE (inch)	AVAILABLE PRESSURE— <i>P_t</i> (psi)									
		15	20	25	30	35	40	45	50	55	60
		Allowable length of pipe from service valve to farthest sprinkler (feet)									
8	3/4	93	123	154	185	216	247	278	309	339	370
9	3/4	74	99	124	149	174	199	223	248	273	298
10	3/4	61	82	102	123	143	163	184	204	225	245
11	3/4	51	68	86	103	120	137	154	171	188	205
12	3/4	44	58	73	87	102	117	131	146	160	175
13	3/4	38	50	63	75	88	101	113	126	138	151
14	3/4	33	44	55	66	77	88	99	110	121	132
15	3/4	29	39	48	58	68	77	87	96	106	116
16	3/4	26	34	43	51	60	68	77	86	94	103
17	3/4	23	31	38	46	54	61	69	77	84	92
18	3/4	21	28	34	41	48	55	62	69	76	83
19	3/4	19	25	31	37	44	50	56	62	69	75
20	3/4	17	23	28	34	40	45	51	57	62	68
21	3/4	16	21	26	31	36	41	47	52	57	62
22	3/4	NP	19	24	28	33	38	43	47	52	57
23	3/4	NP	17	22	26	31	35	39	44	48	52
24	3/4	NP	16	20	24	28	32	36	40	44	49
25	3/4	NP	NP	19	22	26	30	34	37	41	45
26	3/4	NP	NP	17	21	24	28	31	35	38	42
27	3/4	NP	NP	16	20	23	26	29	33	36	39
28	3/4	NP	NP	15	18	21	24	27	30	33	36
29	3/4	NP	NP	NP	17	20	23	26	28	31	34
30	3/4	NP	NP	NP	16	19	21	24	27	29	32
31	3/4	NP	NP	NP	15	18	20	23	25	28	30
32	3/4	NP	NP	NP	NP	17	19	21	24	26	28
33	3/4	NP	NP	NP	NP	16	18	20	22	25	27
34	3/4	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP	17	19	21	23	25
35	3/4	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP	16	18	20	22	24
36	3/4	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP	15	17	19	21	23
37	3/4	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP	16	18	20	22
38	3/4	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP	16	17	19	21
39	3/4	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP	16	18	20
40	3/4	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP	16	17	19

SPRINKLER FLOW RATE ^a (L/s)	WATER DISTRIBUTION SIZE (mm)	AVAILABLE PRESSURE— <i>P_t</i> (kPa)									
		103.425	137.9	172.375	206.85	241.325	275.8	310.275	344.75	379.225	413.7
		Allowable length of pipe from service valve to farthest sprinkler (mm)									
7.704	19	28346.4	37490.4	46939.2	56388.0	65836.8	75285.6	84734.4	94183.2	103327.2	112776.0
8.667	19	22555.2	30175.2	37795.2	45415.2	53035.2	60655.2	67970.4	75590.4	83210.4	90830.4
9.630	19	18592.8	24993.6	31089.6	37490.4	43586.4	49682.4	56083.2	62179.2	68580.0	74676.0
10.593	19	15544.8	20726.4	26212.8	31394.4	36576.0	41757.6	46939.2	52120.8	57302.4	62484.0
11.556	19	13411.2	17678.4	22250.4	26517.6	31089.6	35661.6	39928.8	44500.8	48768.0	53340.0
12.519	19	11582.4	15240.0	19202.4	22860.0	26822.4	30784.8	34442.4	38404.8	42062.4	46024.8
13.482	19	10058.4	13411.2	16764.0	20116.8	23469.6	26822.4	30175.2	33528.0	36880.8	40233.6
14.445	19	8839.2	11887.2	14630.4	17678.4	20726.4	23469.6	26517.6	29260.8	32308.8	35356.8

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15.408	19	7924.8	10363.2	13106.4	15544.8	18288.0	20726.4	23469.6	26212.8	28651.2	31394.4
16.371	19	7010.4	9448.8	11582.4	14020.8	16459.2	18592.8	21031.2	23469.6	25603.2	28041.6
17.334	19	6400.8	8534.4	10363.2	12496.8	14630.4	16764.0	18897.6	21031.2	23164.8	25298.4
18.297	19	5791.2	7620.0	9448.8	11277.6	13411.2	15240.0	17068.8	18897.6	21031.2	22860.0
19.260	19	5181.6	7010.4	8534.4	10363.2	12192.0	13716.0	15544.8	17373.6	18897.6	20726.4
20.223	19	4876.8	6400.8	7924.8	9448.8	10972.8	12496.8	14325.6	15849.6	17373.6	18897.6
21.186	19	NP	5791.2	7315.2	8534.4	10058.4	11582.4	13106.4	14325.6	15849.6	17373.6
22.149	19	NP	5181.6	6705.6	7924.8	9448.8	10668.0	11887.2	13411.2	14630.4	15849.6
23.112	19	NP	4876.8	6096.0	7315.2	8534.4	9753.6	10972.8	12192.0	13411.2	14935.2
24.075	19	NP	NP	5791.2	6705.6	7924.8	9144.0	10363.2	11277.6	12496.8	13716.0
25.038	19	NP	NP	5181.6	6400.8	7315.2	8534.4	9448.8	10668.0	11582.4	12801.6
26.001	19	NP	NP	4876.8	6096.0	7010.4	7924.8	8839.2	10058.4	10972.8	11887.2
26.964	19	NP	NP	4572.0	5486.4	6400.8	7315.2	8229.6	9144.0	10058.4	10972.8
27.927	19	NP	NP	NP	5181.6	6096.0	7010.4	7924.8	8534.4	9448.8	10363.2
28.890	19	NP	NP	NP	4876.8	5791.2	6400.8	7315.2	8229.6	8839.2	9753.6
29.853	19	NP	NP	NP	4572.0	5486.4	6096.0	7010.4	7620.0	8534.4	9144.0
30.816	19	NP	NP	NP	NP	5181.6	5791.2	6400.8	7315.2	7924.8	8534.4
31.779	19	NP	NP	NP	NP	4876.8	5486.4	6096.0	6705.6	7620.0	8229.6
32.742	19	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP	5181.6	5791.2	6400.8	7010.4	7620.0
33.705	19	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP	4876.8	5486.4	6096.0	6705.6	7315.2
34.668	19	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP	4572	5181.6	5791.2	6400.8	7010.4
35.631	19	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP	4876.8	5486.4	6096.0	6705.6
36.594	19	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP	4876.8	5181.6	5791.2	6400.8
37.557	19	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP	4876.8	5486.4	6096.0
38.520	19	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP	4876.8	5181.6	5791.2

For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm, 1 foot = 304.8 mm, 1 pound per square inch = 6.895 kPa, 1 gallon per minute = 0.963 L/s.

NP = Not Permitted.

1. Flow rate from Section P2904.4.2.

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TABLE P2904.6.2(9)
ALLOWABLE PIPE LENGTH FOR 1-INCH PEX AND PE-RT TUBING

SPRINKLER FLOW RATE ^a (gpm)	WATER DISTRIBUTION SIZE (inch)	AVAILABLE PRESSURE— <i>P_i</i> (psi)									
		15	20	25	30	35	40	45	50	55	60
		Allowable length of pipe from service valve to farthest sprinkler (feet)									
8	1	314	418	523	628	732	837	941	1046	1151	1255
9	1	252	336	421	505	589	673	757	841	925	1009
10	1	208	277	346	415	485	554	623	692	761	831
11	1	174	232	290	348	406	464	522	580	638	696
12	1	148	198	247	296	346	395	445	494	543	593
13	1	128	170	213	256	298	341	383	426	469	511
14	1	111	149	186	223	260	297	334	371	409	446
15	1	98	131	163	196	229	262	294	327	360	392
16	1	87	116	145	174	203	232	261	290	319	348
17	1	78	104	130	156	182	208	233	259	285	311
18	1	70	93	117	140	163	187	210	233	257	280
19	1	63	84	106	127	148	169	190	211	232	253
20	1	58	77	96	115	134	154	173	192	211	230
21	1	53	70	88	105	123	140	158	175	193	211
22	1	48	64	80	97	113	129	145	161	177	193
23	1	44	59	74	89	104	119	133	148	163	178
24	1	41	55	69	82	96	110	123	137	151	164
25	1	38	51	64	76	89	102	114	127	140	152
26	1	35	47	59	71	83	95	106	118	130	142
27	1	33	44	55	66	77	88	99	110	121	132
28	1	31	41	52	62	72	82	93	103	113	124
29	1	29	39	48	58	68	77	87	97	106	116
30	1	27	36	45	54	63	73	82	91	100	109
31	1	26	34	43	51	60	68	77	85	94	102
32	1	24	32	40	48	56	64	72	80	89	97
33	1	23	30	38	46	53	61	68	76	84	91
34	1	22	29	36	43	50	58	65	72	79	86
35	1	20	27	34	41	48	55	61	68	75	82
36	1	19	26	32	39	45	52	58	65	71	78
37	1	18	25	31	37	43	49	55	62	68	74
38	1	18	23	29	35	41	47	53	59	64	70
39	1	17	22	28	33	39	45	50	56	61	67
40	1	16	21	27	32	37	43	48	53	59	64

SPRINKLER FLOW RATE ^a (L/s)	WATER DISTRIBUTION SIZE (mm)	AVAILABLE PRESSURE— <i>P_i</i> (kPa)									
		103.425	137.9	172.375	206.85	241.325	275.8	310.275	344.75	379.225	413.7
		Allowable length of pipe from service valve to farthest sprinkler (mm)									
7.704	25.4	95707.2	127406.4	159410.4	191414.4	223113.6	255117.6	286816.8	318820.8	350824.8	382524.0
8.667	25.4	76809.6	102412.8	128320.8	153924.0	179527.2	205130.4	230733.6	256336.8	281940.0	307543.2
9.630	25.4	63398.4	84429.6	105460.8	126492.0	147828.0	168859.2	189890.4	210921.6	231952.8	253288.8
10.593	25.4	53035.2	70713.6	88392.0	106070.4	123748.8	141427.2	159105.6	176784.0	194462.4	212140.8
11.556	25.4	45110.4	60350.4	75285.6	90220.8	105460.8	120396.0	135636.0	150571.2	165506.4	180746.4
12.519	25.4	39014.4	51816.0	64922.4	78028.8	90830.4	103936.8	116738.4	129844.8	142951.2	155752.8
13.482	25.4	33832.8	45415.2	56692.8	67970.4	79248.0	90525.6	101803.2	113080.8	124663.2	135940.8
14.445	25.4	29870.4	39928.8	49682.4	59740.8	69799.2	79857.6	89611.2	99669.6	109728.0	119481.6

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15.408	25.4	26517.6	35356.8	44196.0	53035.2	61874.4	70713.6	79552.8	88392.0	97231.2	106070.4
16.371	25.4	23774.4	31699.2	39624.0	47548.8	55473.6	63398.4	71018.4	78943.2	86868.0	94792.8
17.334	25.4	21336.0	28346.4	35661.6	42672.0	49682.4	56997.6	64008.0	71018.4	78333.6	85344.0
18.297	25.4	19202.4	25603.2	32308.8	38709.6	45110.4	51511.2	57912.0	64312.8	70713.6	77114.4
19.260	25.4	17678.4	23469.6	29260.8	35052.0	40843.2	46939.2	52730.4	58521.6	64312.8	70104.0
20.223	25.4	16154.4	21336.0	26822.4	32004.0	37490.4	42672.0	48158.4	53340.0	58826.4	64312.8
21.186	25.4	14630.4	19507.2	24384.0	29565.6	34442.4	39319.2	44196.0	49072.8	53949.6	58826.4
22.149	25.4	13411.2	17983.2	22555.2	27127.2	31699.2	36271.2	40538.4	45110.4	49682.4	54254.4
23.112	25.4	12496.8	16764.0	21031.2	24993.6	29260.8	33528.0	37490.4	41757.6	46024.8	49987.2
24.075	25.4	11582.4	15544.8	19507.2	23164.8	27127.2	31089.6	34747.2	38709.6	42672.0	46329.6
25.038	25.4	10668.0	14325.6	17983.2	21640.8	25298.4	28956.0	32308.8	35966.4	39624.0	43281.6
26.001	25.4	10058.4	13411.2	16764.0	20116.8	23469.6	26822.4	30175.2	33528.0	36880.8	40233.6
26.964	25.4	9448.8	12496.8	15849.6	18897.6	21945.6	24993.6	28346.4	31394.4	34442.4	37795.2
27.927	25.4	8839.2	11887.2	14630.4	17678.4	20726.4	23469.6	26517.6	29565.6	32308.8	35356.8
28.890	25.4	8229.6	10972.8	13716.0	16459.2	19202.4	22250.4	24993.6	27736.8	30480.0	33223.2
29.853	25.4	7924.8	10363.2	13106.4	15544.8	18288.0	20726.4	23469.6	25908.0	28651.2	31089.6
30.816	25.4	7315.2	9753.6	12192.0	14630.4	17068.8	19507.2	21945.6	24384.0	27127.2	29565.6
31.779	25.4	7010.4	9144.0	11582.4	14020.8	16154.4	18592.8	20726.4	23164.8	25603.2	27736.8
32.742	25.4	6705.6	8839.2	10972.8	13106.4	15240.0	17678.4	19812.0	21945.6	24079.2	26212.8
33.705	25.4	6096.0	8229.6	10363.2	12496.8	14630.4	16764.0	18592.8	20726.4	22860.0	24993.6
34.668	25.4	5791.2	7924.8	9753.6	11887.2	13716.0	15849.6	17678.4	19812.0	21640.8	23774.4
35.631	25.4	5486.4	7620.0	9448.8	11277.6	13106.4	14935.2	16764.0	18897.6	20726.4	22555.2
36.594	25.4	5486.4	7010.4	8839.2	10668.0	12496.8	14325.6	16154.4	17983.2	19507.2	21336.0
37.557	25.4	5181.6	6705.6	8534.4	10058.4	11887.2	13716.0	15240.0	17068.8	18592.8	20421.6
38.520	25.4	4876.8	6400.8	8229.6	9753.6	11277.6	13106.4	14630.4	16154.4	17983.2	19507.2

For Inch Pound Units: 1 inch = 25.4 mm, 1 foot = 304.8 mm, 1 pound per square inch = 6.895 kPa, 1 gallon per minute = 0.963 L/s.

1. Flow rate from Section P2904.4.2.

P2904.6.2.2 Calculation procedure. Determination of the required size for water distribution piping shall be in accordance with the following procedure:

Step 1—Determine P_{sup}

Obtain the static supply pressure that will be available from the water main from the water purveyor, or for an individual source, the available supply pressure shall be in accordance with Section P2904.5.1.

Step 2—Determine PL_{svc}

Use Table P2904.6.2(1) to determine the pressure loss in the water service pipe based on the selected size of the water service.

Step 3—Determine PL_m

Use Table P2904.6.2(2) to determine the pressure loss from the water meter, based on the selected water meter size.

Step 4—Determine PL_d

Determine the pressure loss from devices other than the water meter installed in the piping system supplying sprinklers, such as pressure-reducing valves, backflow preventers, water softeners or water filters. Device pressure losses shall be based on the device manufacturer's specifications. The flow rate used to determine pressure loss shall be the rate from Section P2904.4.2, except that 0.3 L/s (5 gpm) shall be added where the device is installed in a water service pipe that supplies more than one dwelling. As an alternative to deducting pressure loss for a device, an automatic bypass valve shall be installed to divert flow around the device when a sprinkler activates.

Step 5—Determine PL_e

Use Table P2904.6.2(3) to determine the pressure loss associated with changes in elevation. The elevation used in applying the table shall be the difference between the elevation where the water source pressure was measured and the elevation of the highest sprinkler.

Step 6—Determine P_{sp}

Determine the maximum pressure required by any individual sprinkler based on the flow rate from Section P2904.4.1. The required pressure is provided in the sprinkler manufacturer's published data for the specific sprinkler model based on the selected flow rate.

Step 7—Calculate P_r

Using Equation 29-1, calculate the pressure available to offset friction loss in water-distribution piping between the service valve and the sprinklers.

Step 8—Determine the maximum allowable pipe length

Use Tables P2904.6.2(4) through P2904.6.2(9) to select a material and size for water distribution piping. The piping material and size shall be acceptable if the developed length of pipe between the service valve and the

most remote sprinkler does not exceed the maximum allowable length specified by the applicable table. Interpolation of P_r between the tabular values shall be permitted.

The maximum allowable length of piping in Tables P2904.6.2(4) through P2904.6.2(9) incorporates an adjustment for pipe fittings. Additional consideration of friction losses associated with pipe fittings shall not be required.

P2904.7 Instructions and signs. An owner's manual for the fire sprinkler system shall be provided to the owner. A sign or valve tag shall be installed at the main shutoff valve to the water distribution system stating the following: "Warning, the water system for this home supplies fire sprinklers that require certain flows and pressures to fight a fire. Devices that restrict the flow or decrease the pressure or automatically shut off the water to the fire sprinkler system, such as water softeners, filtration systems and automatic shutoff valves, shall not be added to this system without a review of the fire sprinkler system by a fire protection specialist. Do not remove this sign."

P2904.8 Inspections. The water distribution system shall be inspected in accordance with Sections P2904.8.1 and P2904.8.2.

P2904.8.1 Preconcealment inspection. The following items shall be verified prior to the concealment of any sprinkler system piping:

1. Sprinklers are installed in all areas as required by Section P2904.1.1.
2. Where sprinkler water spray patterns are obstructed by construction features, luminaires or ceiling fans, additional sprinklers are installed as required by Section P2904.2.4.2.
3. Sprinklers are the correct temperature rating and are installed at or beyond the required separation distances from heat sources as required by Sections P2904.2.1 and P2904.2.2.
4. The pipe size equals or exceeds the size used in applying Tables P2904.6.2(4) through P2904.6.2(9) or, if the piping system was hydraulically calculated in accordance with Section P2904.6.1, the size used in the hydraulic calculation.
5. The pipe length does not exceed the length permitted by Tables P2904.6.2(4) through P2904.6.2(9) or, if the piping system was hydraulically calculated in accordance with Section P2904.6.1, pipe lengths and fittings do not exceed those used in the hydraulic calculation.
6. Nonmetallic piping that conveys water to sprinklers is listed for use with fire sprinklers.
7. Piping is supported in accordance with the pipe manufacturer's and sprinkler manufacturer's installation instructions.

8. The piping system is tested in accordance with Section P2503.7.

P2904.8.2 Final inspection. The following items shall be verified upon completion of the system:

1. Sprinklers are not painted, damaged or otherwise hindered from operation.
2. Where a pump is required to provide water to the system, the pump starts automatically upon system water demand.
3. Pressure-reducing valves, water softeners, water filters or other impairments to water flow that were not part of the original design have not been installed.
4. The sign or valve tag required by Section P2904.7 is installed and the owner's manual for the system is present.

SECTION P2905 HEATED WATER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEMS

P2905.1 Heated water circulation systems and heat trace systems. Circulation systems and heat trace systems that are installed to bring heated water in close proximity to one or more fixtures shall meet the requirements of Section N1103.5.1.

P2905.2 Demand recirculation systems. Demand recirculation water systems shall be in accordance with Section N1103.5.2.

SECTION P2906 MATERIALS, JOINTS AND CONNECTIONS

P2906.1 Soil and groundwater. The installation of water service pipe, water distribution pipe, fittings, valves, appurtenances and gaskets shall be prohibited in soil and groundwater that is contaminated with solvents, fuels, organic compounds or other detrimental materials that cause permeation, corrosion, degradation or structural failure of the water service or water distribution piping material.

P2906.1.1 Investigation required. Where detrimental conditions are suspected by or brought to the attention of the *building official*, a chemical analysis of the soil and groundwater conditions shall be required to ascertain the acceptability of the water service material for the specific installation.

P2906.1.2 Detrimental condition. Where a detrimental condition exists, *approved* alternate materials or alternate routing shall be required.

P2906.2 Lead content. The lead content in pipe and fittings used in the water supply system shall be not greater than 0.5 of a percent.

P2906.2.1 Lead content of drinking water pipe and fittings. Pipe, pipe fittings, joints, valves, faucets and fixture fittings utilized to supply water for drinking or cooking purposes shall comply with NSF 372 and shall have a weighted average lead content of 0.25-percent lead or less.

P2906.3 Polyethylene plastic piping installation. Polyethylene pipe shall be cut square using a cutter designed for plas-

tic pipe. Except where joined by heat fusion, pipe ends shall be chamfered to remove sharp edges. Pipe that has been kinked shall not be installed. For bends, the installed radius of pipe curvature shall be greater than 30 pipe diameters or the coil radius where bending with the coil. Coiled pipe shall not be bent beyond straight. Bends within 10 pipe diameters of any fitting or valve shall be prohibited. Joints between polyethylene plastic pipe and fittings shall comply with Section P2906.3.1 or P2906.3.2.

P2906.3.1 Heat-fusion joints. Joint surfaces shall be clean and free from moisture. Joint surfaces shall be heated to melting temperature and joined. The joint shall be undisturbed until cool. Joints shall be made in accordance with ASTM D2657.

P2906.3.2 Mechanical joints. Mechanical joints shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

P2906.4 Water service pipe. Water service pipe shall conform to NSF 61 and shall conform to one of the standards indicated in Table P2906.4. Water service pipe or tubing, installed underground and outside of the structure, shall have a working pressure rating of not less than 1,103 kPa at 23°C (160 pounds per square inch at 73°F). Where the water pressure exceeds 1,103 kPa at 23°C (160 pounds per square inch), piping material shall have a rated working pressure equal to or greater than the highest available pressure. Water service piping materials not third-party certified for water distribution shall terminate at or before the full open valve located at the entrance to the structure. Ductile iron water service piping shall be cement mortar lined in accordance with AWWA C104/A21.4.

P2906.4.1 Separation of water service and building sewer. Trenching, pipe installation and backfilling shall be in accordance with Section P2604. Where water service piping is located in the same trench with the building sewer, such sewer shall be constructed of materials listed in Table P3002.1(2). Where the building sewer piping is not constructed of materials indicated in Table P3002.1(2), the water service pipe and the building sewer shall be horizontally separated by not less than 1,525 mm (5 feet) of undisturbed or compacted earth. The required separation distance shall not apply where a water service pipe crosses a sewer pipe, provided that the water service is sleeved to a point not less than 1,525 mm (5 feet) horizontally from the sewer pipe centerline on both sides of such crossing. The sleeve shall be of pipe materials indicated in Table P2906.4, P3002.1(2) or P3002.2. The required separation distance shall not apply where the bottom of the water service pipe that is located within 1,525 mm (5 feet) of the sewer is not less than 305 mm (12 inches) above the highest point of the top of the building sewer.

P2906.5 Water distribution pipe. Water distribution piping within *dwelling units* shall conform to NSF 61 and shall conform to one of the standards indicated in Table P2906.5. Water distribution pipe and tubing shall have a pressure rating of not less than 689 kPa at 82°C (100 psi at 180°F).

**TABLE P2906.4
WATER SERVICE PIPE**

MATERIAL	STANDARD
Acrylonitrile butadiene styrene (ABS) plastic pipe	ASTM D1527; ASTM D2282
Chlorinated polyvinyl chloride (CPVC) plastic pipe	ASTM D2846; ASTM F441; ASTM F442/F442M; CSA B137.6
Chlorinated polyvinyl chloride/aluminum/chlorinated polyvinyl chloride (CPVC/AL/CPVC) plastic pipe	ASTM F2855
Copper or copper-alloy pipe	ASTM B42; ASTM B43; ASTM B302
Copper or copper-alloy tubing (Type K, WK, L, WL, M or WM)	ASTM B75/B75M; ASTM B88; ASTM B251; ASTM B447
Cross-linked polyethylene/aluminum/cross-linked polyethylene (PEX-AL-PEX) pipe	ASTM F1281; ASTM F2262; CSA B137.10
Cross-linked polyethylene/aluminum/high-density polyethylene (PEX-AL-HDPE) pipe	ASTM F1986
Cross-linked polyethylene (PEX) plastic tubing	ASTM F876; AWWA C904; CSA B137.5
Ductile iron water pipe	AWWA C115/A21.15; AWWA C151/A21.51
Galvanized steel pipe	ASTM A53
Polyethylene/aluminum/polyethylene (PE-AL-PE) pipe	ASTM F1282; CSA B137.9
Polyethylene (PE) plastic pipe	ASTM D2104; ASTM D2239; AWWA C901; CSA B137.1
Polyethylene (PE) plastic tubing	ASTM D2737; AWWA C901; CSA B137.1
Polyethylene of raised temperature (PE-RT) plastic tubing	ASTM F2769; CSA B137.18
Polypropylene (PP) plastic tubing	ASTM F2389; CSA B137.11
Polyvinyl chloride (PVC) plastic pipe	ASTM D1785; ASTM D2241; ASTM D2672; CSA B137.3
Stainless steel (Type 304/304L) pipe	ASTM A312; ASTM A778
Stainless steel (Type 316/316L) pipe	ASTM A312; ASTM A778

**TABLE P2906.5
WATER DISTRIBUTION PIPE**

MATERIAL	STANDARD
Chlorinated polyvinyl chloride (CPVC) plastic pipe and tubing	ASTM D2846; ASTM F441; ASTM F442/F442M; CSA B137.6
Chlorinated polyvinyl chloride/aluminum/chlorinated polyvinyl chloride (CPVC/AL/CPVC) plastic pipe	ASTM F2855
Copper or copper-alloy pipe	ASTM B42; ASTM B43; ASTM B302
Copper or copper-alloy tubing (Type K, WK, L, WL, M or WM)	ASTM B75/B75M; ASTM B88; ASTM B251; ASTM B447
Cross-linked polyethylene (PEX) plastic tubing	ASTM F876; CSA B137.5
Cross-linked polyethylene/aluminum/cross-linked polyethylene (PEX-AL-PEX) pipe	ASTM F1281; ASTM F2262; CSA B137.10
Cross-linked polyethylene/aluminum/high-density polyethylene (PEX-AL-HDPE) pipe	ASTM F1986
Galvanized steel pipe	ASTM A53
Polyethylene/aluminum/polyethylene (PE-AL-PE) composite pipe	ASTM F1282
Polyethylene of raised temperature (PE-RT) plastic tubing	ASTM F2769; CSA B137.18
Polypropylene (PP) plastic pipe or tubing	ASTM F2389; CSA B137.11
Stainless steel (Type 304/304L) pipe	ASTM A312; ASTM A778

P2906.6 Fittings. Pipe fittings shall be *approved* for installation with the piping material installed and shall comply with the applicable standards indicated in Table P2906.6. Pipe fittings used in water supply systems shall comply with NSF 61.

P2906.6.1 Saddle tap fittings. The use of saddle tap fittings and combination saddle tap and valve fittings shall be prohibited.

P2906.7 Flexible water connectors. Flexible water connectors, exposed to continuous pressure, shall conform to ASME A112.18.6/CSA B125.6. Access shall be provided to flexible water connectors.

P2906.8 Joint and connection tightness. Joints and connections in the plumbing system shall be gastight and watertight for the intended use or required test pressure.

P2906.9 Plastic pipe joints. Joints in plastic piping shall be made with *approved* fittings by solvent cementing, heat fusion, corrosion-resistant metal clamps with insert fittings or compression connections. Flared joints for polyethylene pipe shall be permitted in accordance with Section P2906.10.1.

P2906.9.1 Solvent cementing. Solvent-cemented joints shall comply with Sections P2906.9.1.1 through P2906.9.1.4.

P2906.9.1.1 ABS plastic pipe. Solvent cement for ABS plastic pipe conforming to ASTM D2235 shall be applied to all joint surfaces.

P2906.9.1.2 CPVC plastic pipe. Joint surfaces shall be clean and free from moisture. Joints shall be made in accordance with the pipe, fitting or solvent cement manufacturer’s installation instructions. Where such instructions require a primer to be used, an *approved* primer shall be applied, and a solvent cement, orange in color and conforming to ASTM F493, shall be applied to joint surfaces. Where such instructions allow for a one-step solvent cement, yellow or red in color and conforming to ASTM F493, to be used, the joint surfaces shall not require application of a primer before the solvent cement is applied. The joint shall be made while the cement is wet, and in accordance with ASTM D2846 or ASTM F493. Solvent cement joints shall be permitted above or below ground.

P2906.9.1.3 CPVC/AL/CPVC pipe. Joint surfaces shall be clean and free from moisture, and an *approved* primer shall be applied. Solvent cement, orange in color and conforming to ASTM F493, shall be applied to all joint surfaces. The joint shall be made while the cement is wet, and in accordance with ASTM D2846 or

**TABLE P2906.6
PIPE FITTINGS**

MATERIAL	STANDARD
Acrylonitrile butadiene styrene (ABS) plastic	ASTM D2468
Cast-iron	ASME B16.4
Chlorinated polyvinyl chloride (CPVC) plastic	ASSE 1061; ASTM D2846; ASTM F437; ASTM F438; ASTM F439; CSA B137.6
Copper or copper alloy	ASME B16.15; ASME B16.18; ASME B16.22; ASME B16.26; ASME B16.51; ASSE 1061
Cross-linked polyethylene/aluminum/high-density polyethylene (PEX-AL-HDPE)	ASTM F1986
Fittings for cross-linked polyethylene (PEX) plastic tubing	ASSE 1061; ASTM F877; ASTM F1807; ASTM F1960; ASTM F2080; ASTM F2098; ASTM F2159; ASTM F2434; ASTM F2735; CSA B137.5
Gray iron and ductile iron	AWWA C110/A21.10; AWWA C153/A21.53
Malleable iron	ASME B16.3
Insert fittings for Polyethylene/aluminum/polyethylene (PE-AL-PE) and cross-linked polyethylene/aluminum/cross-linked polyethylene (PEX-AL-PEX)	ASTM F1281; ASTM F1282; ASTM F1974; CSA B137.9; CSA B137.10
Polyethylene (PE) plastic	ASTM D 2609; CSA B137.1
Fittings for polyethylene of raised temperature (PE-RT) plastic tubing	ASSE 1061; ASTM D2683; ASTM D3261; ASTM F1055; ASTM F1807; ASTM F2098; ASTM F 2159; ASTM F2735; ASTM F2769; CSA B137.18
Polypropylene (PP) plastic pipe or tubing	ASTM F2389; CSA B137.11
Polyvinyl chloride (PVC) plastic	ASTM D2464; ASTM D2466; ASTM D2467; CSA B137.2; CSA B137.3
Stainless steel (Type 304/304L) pipe	ASTM A312; ASTM A778
Stainless steel (Type 316/316L) pipe	ASTM A312; ASTM A778
Steel	ASME B16.9; ASME B16.11; ASME B16.28

ASTM F493. Solvent-cemented joints shall be installed above or below ground.

Exception: A primer shall not be required where all of the following conditions apply:

1. The solvent cement used is third-party certified as conforming to ASTM F493.
2. The solvent cement used is yellow in color.
3. The solvent cement is used only for joining 12.5 mm ($1/2$ -inch) through 25 mm (1-inch) diameter CPVC/AL/CPVC pipe and CPVC fittings.
4. The CPVC fittings are manufactured in accordance with ASTM D2846.

P2906.9.1.4 PVC plastic pipe. A purple primer, or other *approved* primer that conforms to ASTM F656 shall be applied to PVC solvent-cemented joints. Solvent cement for PVC plastic pipe conforming to ASTM D2564 shall be applied to all joint surfaces.

P2906.10 Cross-linked polyethylene plastic (PEX). Joints between cross-linked polyethylene plastic tubing or fittings shall comply with Section P2906.9.10.1 or Section P2906.9.10.2.

P2906.10.1 Flared joints. Flared pipe ends shall be made by a tool designed for that operation.

P2906.10.2 Mechanical joints. Mechanical joints shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions. Fittings for cross-linked polyethylene (PEX) plastic tubing shall comply with the applicable standards indicated in Table P2906.6 and shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions. PEX tubing shall be factory marked with the applicable standards for the fittings that the PEX manufacturer specifies for use with the tubing.

P2906.11 Polypropylene (PP) plastic. Joints between polypropylene plastic pipe and fittings shall comply with Section P2906.11.1 or P2906.11.2.

P2906.11.1 Heat-fusion joints. Heat fusion joints for polypropylene pipe and tubing joints shall be installed with socket-type heat-fused polypropylene fittings, butt-fusion polypropylene fittings or electrofusion polypropylene fittings. Joint surfaces shall be clean and free from moisture. The joint shall be undisturbed until cool. Joints shall be made in accordance with ASTM F2389.

P2906.11.2 Mechanical and compression sleeve joints. Mechanical and compression sleeve joints shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

P2906.12 Cross-linked polyethylene/aluminum/cross-linked polyethylene. Joints between polyethylene/aluminum/polyethylene (PE-AL-PE) and cross-linked polyethylene/aluminum/cross-linked polyethylene (PEX-AL-PEX) pipe and fittings shall comply with Section P2906.12.1.

P2906.12.1 Mechanical joints. Mechanical joints shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions. Fittings for PE-AL-PE and PEX-AL-PEX as described in ASTM F1974, ASTM F1281, ASTM F1282,

CSA B137.9 and CSA B137.10 shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

P2906.13 Stainless steel. Joints between stainless steel pipe and fittings shall comply with Section P2906.13.1 or P2906.13.2.

P2906.13.1 Mechanical joints. Mechanical joints shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

P2906.13.2 Welded joints. Joint surfaces shall be cleaned. The joint shall be welded autogenously or with an *approved* filler metal in accordance with ASTM A312.

P2906.14 Threaded pipe joints. Threaded joints shall conform to American National Taper Pipe Thread specifications. Pipe ends shall be deburred and chips removed. Pipe joint compound and thread tape shall be used only on male threads.

P2906.15 Soldered and brazed joints. Soldered joints in copper and copper alloy tubing shall be made with fittings approved for water piping and shall conform to ASTM B828. Surfaces to be soldered shall be cleaned bright. Fluxes for soldering shall be in accordance with ASTM B813. Brazing fluxes shall be in accordance with AWS A5.31M/A5.31. Solders and fluxes used in potable water-supply systems shall have a lead content of not greater than 0.2 percent.

P2906.16 Flared joints. Flared joints in water tubing shall be made with *approved* fittings. The tubing shall be reamed and then expanded with a flaring tool.

P2906.17 Above-ground joints. Joints within the building between copper pipe or CPVC tubing, in any combination with compatible outside diameters, shall be permitted to be made with the use of *approved* push-in mechanical fittings of a pressure-lock design.

P2906.18 Joints between different materials. Joints between different piping materials shall be made in accordance with Section P2906.18.1, P2906.18.2, P2906.18.3 or P2906.18.4, or with a mechanical joint of the compression or mechanical sealing type having an elastomeric seal conforming to ASTM D1869 or ASTM F477. Joints shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

P2906.18.1 Copper or copper-alloy tubing to galvanized steel pipe. Joints between copper or copper-alloy tubing and galvanized steel pipe shall be made with a copper alloy fitting or dielectric fitting. The copper tubing shall be joined to the fitting in an *approved* manner, and the fitting shall be screwed to the threaded pipe.

P2906.18.2 Joint between PVC water service and CPVC water distribution. Where a PVC water service pipe connects to a CPVC pipe at the beginning of a water distribution system, the transition shall be by a mechanical fitting, an *approved* adapter fitting, a transition fitting or by a single, solvent-cemented transition joint. A single, solvent-cemented transition joint shall be in compliance with ASTM F493 and the pipe, fitting and solvent cement manufacturers' instructions. Solvent cement joint surfaces shall be clean, free from moisture and prepared with an *approved* primer. Solvent cement conforming to ASTM F493 shall be applied to the joint surfaces and the joint assembled while the cement is wet.

P2906.18.3 Plastic pipe or tubing to other piping material. Joints between different types of plastic pipe or between plastic pipe and other piping material shall be made with an *approved* adapter fitting.

P2906.18.4 Stainless steel. Joints between stainless steel and different piping materials shall be made with a mechanical joint of the compression or mechanical-sealing type or a dielectric fitting.

P2906.19 Press-connected joints. Press-connected joints shall conform to one of the standards indicated in Table P2906.6. Press-type mechanical joints in copper tubing shall be made in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions. Cut tube ends shall be reamed to the full inside diameter of the tube end. Joint surfaces shall be cleaned. The tube shall be fully inserted into the press-connected fitting. Press-connected joints shall be pressed with a tool certified by the manufacturer.

P2906.20 Polyethylene of raised temperature plastic. Joints between polyethylene of raised temperature plastic tubing and fittings shall be in accordance with Sections P2906.20.1, P2906.20.2 and P2906.20.3.

P2906.20.1 Mechanical joints. Mechanical joints shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions. Fittings for polyethylene of raised temperature plastic tubing shall comply with the applicable standards indicated in Table P2906.6 and shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions. Polyethylene of raised temperature plastic tubing shall be factory marked with the applicable standards for the fittings that the manufacturer of the tubing specifies for use with the tubing.

P2906.20.2 Heat fusion joints. Joints shall be of the socket-fusion, saddle-fusion, or butt-fusion type, and shall be joined in accordance with ASTM D2657. Joint surfaces shall be clean and free of moisture. Joint surfaces shall be heated to melt temperatures and joined. The joint shall remain undisturbed until cool. Fittings shall be manufactured in accordance with ASTM D2683 or ASTM D3261.

P2906.20.3 Electrofusion joints. Joints shall be of the electrofusion type. Joint surfaces shall be clean and free of moisture and scoured to expose virgin resin. Joint surfaces shall be heated to melt temperatures for a period of time specified by the manufacturer and joined. The joint shall remain undisturbed until cool. Fittings shall be manufactured in accordance with ASTM F1055.

P2906.21 Push-fit joints. Push-fit joints shall be used only on copper-tube-size outside diameter dimensioned CPVC, PEX and copper tubing. Push-fit joints shall conform to ASSE 1061 and shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

SECTION P2907 CHANGES IN DIRECTION

P2907.1 Bends. Changes in direction in copper tubing shall be permitted to be made with bends having a radius of not less than four diameters of the tube, provided that such bends are made by use of forming equipment that does not deform or create loss in cross-sectional area of the tube.

SECTION P2908 SUPPORT

P2908.1 General. Pipe and tubing support shall conform to Section P2605.

SECTION P2909 DRINKING WATER TREATMENT UNITS

P2909.1 Design. Drinking water treatment units shall meet the requirements of NSF42, NSF 44, NSF 53, NSF 60 or CSA B483.1.

P2909.2 Reverse osmosis drinking water treatment units. Point-of-use reverse osmosis drinking water treatment units, designed for residential use, shall meet the requirements of CSA B483.1 or NSF 58. Waste or discharge from reverse osmosis drinking water treatment units shall enter the drainage system through an *air gap* or an *air gap* device that meets the requirements of NSF 58.

P2909.3 Connection tubing. The tubing to and from drinking water treatment units shall be of a size and material as recommended by the manufacturer. The tubing shall comply with NSF 14, NSF 42, NSF 44, NSF 53, NSF 58 or NSF 61.

SECTION P2910 NONPOTABLE WATER SYSTEMS

P2910.1 Scope. The provisions of this section shall govern the materials, design, construction and installation of systems for the collection, storage, treatment and distribution of nonpotable water. The use and application of nonpotable water shall comply with laws, rules and ordinances applicable in the *jurisdiction*.

P2910.2 Water quality. Nonpotable water for each end use application shall meet the minimum water quality requirements as established for the intended application by the laws, rules and ordinances applicable in the *jurisdiction*. Where nonpotable water from different sources is combined in a system, the system shall comply with the most stringent requirements of this code applicable to such sources.

P2910.2.1 Residual disinfectants. Where chlorine is used for disinfection, the nonpotable water shall contain not more than 4 mg/L (4 ppm) of chloramines or free chlorine. Where ozone is used for disinfection, the nonpotable water shall not contain gas bubbles having elevated levels of ozone at the point of use.

Exception: Reclaimed water sources shall not be required to comply with the requirements of this section.

P2910.2.2 Filtration required. Nonpotable water utilized for water closet and urinal flushing applications shall be filtered by a 100 micron or finer filter.

Exception: Reclaimed water sources shall not be required to comply with the requirements of this section.

P2910.3 Signage required. Nonpotable water outlets such as hose connections, open-ended pipes and faucets shall be identified at the point of use for each outlet with signage that

reads as follows: “Nonpotable water is utilized for [application name]. CAUTION: NONPOTABLE WATER. DO NOT DRINK.” The words shall be legibly and indelibly printed on a tag or sign constructed of corrosion-resistant, waterproof material or shall be indelibly printed on the fixture. The letters of the words shall be not less than 12.5 mm (0.5 inches) in height and in colors contrasting the background on which they are applied. In addition to the required wordage, the pictograph shown in Figure P2910.3 shall appear on the signage required by this section.



FIGURE P2910.3
PICTOGRAPH—DO NOT DRINK

P2910.4 Permits. *Permits* shall be required for the construction, installation, *alteration* and repair of nonpotable water systems. *Construction documents*, engineering calculations, diagrams and other such data pertaining to the nonpotable water system shall be submitted with each *permit* application.

P2910.5 Potable water connections. Where a potable system is connected to a nonpotable water system, the potable water supply shall be protected against backflow in accordance with Section P2902.

P2910.6 Approved components and materials. Piping, plumbing components and materials used in collection and conveyance systems shall be manufactured of material approved for the intended application and compatible with any disinfection and treatment systems used.

P2910.7 Insect and vermin control. The system shall be protected to prevent the entrance of insects and vermin into storage tanks and piping systems. Screen materials shall be compatible with contacting system components and shall not accelerate the corrosion of system components.

P2910.8 Freeze protection. Where sustained freezing temperatures occur, provisions shall be made to keep storage tanks and the related piping from freezing.

P2910.9 Nonpotable water storage tanks. Nonpotable water storage tanks shall comply with Sections P2910.9.1 through P2910.9.11.

P2910.9.1 Sizing. The holding capacity of the storage tank shall be sized in accordance with the anticipated demand.

P2910.9.2 Location. Storage tanks shall be installed above or below grade. Above-grade storage tanks shall be

protected from direct sunlight and shall be constructed using opaque, UV-resistant materials such as, but not limited to, heavily tinted plastic, lined metal, concrete and wood; or painted to prevent algae growth; or shall have specially constructed sun barriers including, but not limited to, installation in garages, crawl spaces or sheds. Storage tanks and their manholes shall not be located directly under any soil piping, waste piping or any source of contamination.

P2910.9.3 Materials. Where collected on site, water shall be collected in an *approved* tank constructed of durable, nonabsorbent and corrosion-resistant materials. The storage tank shall be constructed of materials compatible with any disinfection systems used to treat water upstream of the tank and with any systems used to maintain water quality within the tank. Wooden storage tanks that are not equipped with a makeup water source shall be provided with a flexible liner.

P2910.9.4 Foundation and supports. Storage tanks shall be supported on a firm base capable of withstanding the weight of the storage tank when filled to capacity. Storage tanks shall be supported in accordance with this code.

P2910.9.4.1 Ballast. Where the soil can become saturated, an underground storage tank shall be ballasted or otherwise secured to prevent the tank from floating out of the ground when empty. The combined weight of the tank and hold-down ballast shall meet or exceed the buoyancy force of the tank. Where the installation requires a foundation, the foundation shall be flat and shall be designed to support the storage tank weight when full, consistent with the bearing capability of adjacent soil.

P2910.9.4.2 Structural support. Where installed below grade, storage tank installations shall be designed to withstand earth and surface structural loads without damage and with minimal deformation when empty or filled with water.

P2910.9.5 Makeup water. Where an uninterrupted nonpotable water supply is required for the intended application, potable or reclaimed water shall be provided as a source of makeup water for the storage tank. The makeup water supply shall be protected against backflow by means of an *air gap* not less than 100 mm (4 inches) above the overflow or an *approved* backflow device in accordance with Section P2902. A full-open valve located on the makeup water supply line to the storage tank shall be provided. Inlets to the storage tank shall be controlled by fill valves or other automatic supply valves installed to prevent the tank from overflowing and to prevent the water level from dropping below a predetermined point. Where makeup water is provided, the water level shall be prohibited from dropping below the source water inlet or the intake of any attached pump.

P2910.9.5.1 Inlet control valve alarm. Makeup water systems shall be fitted with a warning mechanism that alerts the user to a failure of the inlet control valve to close correctly. The alarm shall activate before the water within the storage tank begins to discharge into the overflow system.

P2910.9.6 Overflow. The storage tank shall be equipped with an overflow pipe having a diameter not less than that shown in Table P2910.9.6. The overflow outlet shall discharge at a point not less than 150 mm (6 inches) above the roof or roof drain; floor or floor drain; or over an open water-supplied fixture. The overflow outlet shall be covered with a corrosion-resistant screen of not less than 630 by 787 mesh per m (16 by 20 mesh per inch) and by 6.35 mm (1/4-inch) hardware cloth or shall terminate in a horizontal angle seat check valve. Drainage from overflow pipes shall be directed to prevent freezing on roof walks. The overflow drain shall not be equipped with a shutoff valve. Not less than one cleanout shall be provided on each overflow pipe in accordance with Section P3005.2.

P2910.9.7 Access. Not less than one access opening shall be provided to allow inspection and cleaning of the tank interior. Access openings shall have an *approved* locking device or other *approved* method of securing access. Below-grade storage tanks, located outside of the building, shall be provided with a manhole either not less than 610 mm (24 inches) square or with an inside diameter not less than 610 mm (24 inches). Manholes shall extend not less than 100 mm (4 inches) above ground or shall be designed to prevent water infiltration. Finished grade shall be sloped away from the manhole to divert surface water. Manhole covers shall be secured to prevent unauthorized access. Service ports in manhole covers shall be not less than 205 mm (8 inches) in diameter and shall be not less than 100 mm (4 inches) above the finished grade level. The service port shall be secured to prevent unauthorized access.

Exception: Storage tanks under 3,028 L (800 gallons) in volume installed below grade shall not be required to be equipped with a manhole, but shall have a service port not less than 205 (8 inches) in diameter.

P2910.9.8 Venting. Storage tanks shall be provided with a vent sized in accordance with Chapter 31 and based on the aggregate diameter of all tank influent pipes. The reservoir vent shall not be connected to sanitary drainage system vents. Vents shall be protected from contamination by means of an *approved* cap or a U-bend installed with the opening directed downward. Vent outlets shall extend not less than 100 mm (4 inches) above grade, or as necessary to prevent surface water from entering the storage tank.

Vent openings shall be protected against the entrance of vermin and insects in accordance with the requirements of Section P2910.7.

P2910.9.9 Drain. A drain shall be located at the lowest point of the storage tank. The tank drain pipe shall discharge as required for overflow pipes and shall not be smaller in size than specified in Table P2910.9.6. Not less than one cleanout shall be provided on each drain pipe in accordance with Section P3005.2.

P2910.10 Marking and signage. Each nonpotable water storage tank shall be labelled with its rated capacity. The contents of storage tanks shall be identified with the words “CAUTION: NONPOTABLE WATER. DO NOT DRINK.” Where an opening is provided that could allow the entry of personnel, the opening shall be marked with the words, “DANGER—CONFINED SPACE.” Markings shall be indelibly printed on the tank, or on a tag or sign constructed of corrosion-resistant waterproof material that is mounted on the tank. The letters of the words shall be not less than 12.5 mm (0.5 inches) in height and shall be of a color in contrast with the background on which they are applied.

P2910.11 Storage tank tests. Storage tanks shall be tested in accordance with the following:

1. Storage tanks shall be filled with water to the overflow line prior to and during inspection. Seams and joints shall be left exposed and the tank shall remain watertight without leakage for a period of 24 hours.
2. After 24 hours, supplemental water shall be introduced for a period of 15 minutes to verify proper drainage of the overflow system and leaks do not exist.
3. Following a successful test of the overflow, the water level in the tank shall be reduced to a level that is 51 mm (2 inches) below the makeup water trigger point by using the tank drain. The tank drain shall be observed for proper operation. The makeup water system shall be observed for proper operation, and successful automatic shutoff of the system at the refill threshold shall be verified. Water shall not be drained from the overflow at any time during the refill test.

P2910.12 System abandonment. If the owner of an on-site nonpotable water reuse system or rainwater collection and conveyance system elects to cease use of or fails to properly

TABLE P2910.9.6
SIZE OF DRAIN PIPES FOR WATER TANKS

TANK CAPACITY (Litres)	DRAIN PIPE (Millimetres)
Up to 2,906	25
2,910 to 5,812	38
5,816 to 11,625	51
11,629 to 19,375	64

19,379 to 29,063	76
Over 29,066	4

For Inch Pound Units: 1 Litre = 0.258 gallon, 1 mm = 0.03937 inch.

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maintain such system, the system shall be abandoned and shall comply with the following:

1. System piping connecting to a utility-provided water system shall be removed or disabled.
2. The distribution piping system shall be replaced with an *approved* potable water supply piping system. Where an existing potable water pipe system is already in place, the fixtures shall be connected to the existing system.
3. The storage tank shall be secured from accidental access by sealing or locking tank inlets and access points, or filled with sand or equivalent.

P2910.13 Separation requirements for nonpotable water piping. Nonpotable water collection and distribution piping and reclaimed water piping shall be separated from the *building sewer* and potable water piping underground by 1,525 mm (5 feet) of undisturbed or compacted earth. Nonpotable water collection and distribution piping shall not be located in, under or above cesspools, septic tanks, septic tank drainage fields or seepage pits. Buried nonpotable water piping shall comply with the requirements of Section P2604.

Exceptions:

1. The required separation distance shall not apply where the bottom of the nonpotable water pipe within 1,525 mm (5 feet) of the sewer is not less than 305 mm (12 inches) above the top of the highest point of the sewer and the pipe materials conforms to Table P3002.2.
2. The required separation distance shall not apply where the bottom of the potable water service pipe within 1,525 mm (5 feet) of the nonpotable water pipe is not less than 305 mm (12 inches) above the top of the highest point of the nonpotable water pipe and the pipe materials comply with the requirements of Table P2906.5.
3. The required separation distance shall not apply where a nonpotable water pipe is located in the same trench with a *building sewer* that is constructed of materials that comply with the requirements of Table P3002.2.
4. The required separation distance shall not apply where a nonpotable water pipe crosses a sewer pipe provided that the nonpotable water pipe is sleeved to not less than 1,525 mm (5 feet) horizontally from the sewer pipe centerline on both sides of such crossing, with pipe materials that comply with Table P3002.2.
5. The required separation distance shall not apply where a potable water service pipe crosses a nonpotable water pipe, provided that the potable water service pipe is sleeved for a distance of not less than 1,525 mm (5 feet) horizontally from the centerline of the nonpotable pipe on both sides of such crossing, with pipe materials that comply with Table P3002.2.
6. The required separation distance shall not apply to irrigation piping located outside of a building and

downstream of the backflow preventer where non-potable water is used for outdoor applications.

be filtered as required for the intended end use. Filters shall

P2910.14 Outdoor outlet access. Sillcocks, hose bibbs, wall hydrants, yard hydrants and other outdoor outlets supplied by nonpotable water shall be located in a locked vault or shall be operable only by means of a removable key.

SECTION P2911

ON-SITE NONPOTABLE WATER REUSE SYSTEMS

P2911.1 General. The provisions of this section shall govern the construction, installation, *alteration* and repair of on-site nonpotable water reuse systems for the collection, storage, treatment and distribution of on-site sources of nonpotable water as permitted by the *jurisdiction*.

P2911.2 Sources. On-site nonpotable water reuse systems shall collect waste discharge only from the following sources: bathtubs, showers, lavatories, clothes washers and laundry trays. Water from other *approved* nonpotable sources including swimming pool backwash operations, air conditioner condensate, rainwater, foundation drain water, fluid cooler discharge water and fire pump test water shall be permitted to be collected for reuse by on-site nonpotable water reuse systems, as *approved* by the *building official* and as appropriate for the intended application.

P2911.2.1 Prohibited sources. Reverse osmosis system reject water, water softener backwash water, kitchen sink wastewater, dishwasher wastewater and wastewater containing urine or fecal matter shall not be collected for reuse within an on-site nonpotable water reuse system.

P2911.3 Traps. Traps serving fixtures and devices discharging wastewater to on-site nonpotable water reuse systems shall comply with the Section P3201.2.

P2911.4 Collection pipe. On-site nonpotable water reuse systems shall utilize drainage piping *approved* for use within plumbing drainage systems to collect and convey untreated water for reuse. Vent piping *approved* for use within plumbing venting systems shall be utilized for vents within the graywater system. Collection and vent piping materials shall comply with Section P3002.

P2911.4.1 Installation. Collection piping conveying untreated water for reuse shall be installed in accordance with Section P3005.

P2911.4.2 Joints. Collection piping conveying untreated water for reuse shall utilize joints *approved* for use with the distribution piping and appropriate for the intended applications as specified in Section P3002.

P2911.4.3 Size. Collection piping conveying untreated water for reuse shall be sized in accordance with drainage sizing requirements specified in Section P3005.4.

P2911.4.4 Marking. Additional marking of collection piping conveying untreated water for reuse shall not be required beyond that required for sanitary drainage, waste and vent piping by Chapter 30.

P2911.5 Filtration. Untreated water collected for reuse shall

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be accessible for inspection and maintenance. Filters shall utilize a pressure gauge or other *approved* method to provide indication when a filter requires servicing or replacement. Filters shall be installed with shutoff valves immediately upstream and downstream to allow for isolation during maintenance.

P2911.6 Disinfection. Nonpotable water collected on site for reuse shall be disinfected, treated or both to provide the quality of water needed for the intended end-use application. Where the intended end-use application does not have requirements for the quality of water, disinfection and treatment of water collected on site for reuse shall not be required. Nonpotable water collected on site containing untreated graywater shall be retained in collection reservoirs for not more than 24 hours.

P2911.6.1 Graywater used for fixture flushing. Graywater used for flushing water closets and urinals shall be disinfected and treated by an on-site water reuse treatment system complying with NSF 350.

P2911.7 Storage tanks. Storage tanks utilized in on-site nonpotable water reuse systems shall comply with Section P2910.9 and Sections P2911.7.1 through P2911.7.3.

P2911.7.1 Location. Storage tanks shall be located with a minimum horizontal distance between various elements as indicated in Table P2911.7.1.

**TABLE P2911.7.1
LOCATION OF NONPOTABLE WATER REUSE STORAGE TANKS**

ELEMENT	MINIMUM HORIZONTAL DISTANCE FROM STORAGE TANK (Millimetres)
Critical root zone (CRZ) of protected trees	610
Lot line adjoining private lots	1,525
Seepage pits	1,525
Septic tanks	1,525
Water wells	15,250
Streams and lakes	15,250
Water service	1,525
Public water main	3,050

For SI: 1 foot = 304.8 mm

P2911.7.2 Inlets. Storage tank inlets shall be designed to introduce water into the tank with minimum turbulence, and shall be located and designed to avoid agitating the contents of the storage tank.

P2911.7.3 Outlets. Outlets shall be located not less than 100 mm (4 inches) above the bottom of the storage tank, and shall not skim water from the surface.

P2911.8 Valves. Valves shall be supplied on on-site nonpotable water reuse systems in accordance with Sections P2911.8.1 and P2911.8.2.

P2911.8.1 Bypass valve. One three-way diverter valve certified to NSF 50 or other *approved* device shall be

installed on collection piping upstream of each storage

tank, or drainfield, as applicable, to divert untreated on-site reuse sources to the sanitary sewer to allow servicing and inspection of the system. Bypass valves shall be installed downstream of fixture traps and vent connections. Bypass valves shall be labelled to indicate the direction of flow, connection and storage tank or drainfield connection. Bypass valves shall be installed in accessible locations. Two shutoff valves shall not be installed to serve as a bypass valve.

P2911.8.2 Backwater valve. Backwater valves shall be installed on each overflow and tank drainpipe. Backwater valves shall be in accordance with Section P3008.

P2911.9 Pumping and control system. Mechanical equipment including pumps, valves and filters shall be accessible and removable in order to perform repair, maintenance and cleaning. The minimum flow rate and flow pressure delivered by the pumping system shall be appropriate for the application and in accordance with Section P2903.

P2911.10 Water pressure-reducing valve or regulator. Where the water pressure supplied by the pumping system exceeds 552 kPa (80 psi) static, a pressure-reducing valve shall be installed to reduce the pressure in the nonpotable water distribution system piping to 552 kPa (80 psi) static or less. Pressure-reducing valves shall be specified and installed in accordance with Section P2903.3.1.

P2911.11 Distribution pipe. Distribution piping utilized in on-site nonpotable water reuse systems shall comply with Sections P2911.11.1 through P2911.11.3.

Exception: Irrigation piping located outside of the building and downstream of a backflow preventer.

P2910.11.1 Materials, joints and connections. Distribution piping shall conform to the standards and requirements specified in Section P2906 for nonpotable water.

P2911.11.2 Design. On-site nonpotable water reuse distribution piping systems shall be designed and sized in accordance with Section P2903 for the intended application.

P2911.11.3 Marking. On-site nonpotable water distribution piping labeling and marking shall comply with Section P2901.2

P2911.12 Tests and inspections. Tests and inspections shall be performed in accordance with Sections P2911.12.1 through P2911.12.6.

P2911.12.1 Collection pipe and vent test. Drain, waste and vent piping used for on-site water reuse systems shall be tested in accordance with Section P2503.

P2911.12.2 Storage tank test. Storage tanks shall be tested in accordance with Section P2910.11.

P2911.12.3 Water supply system test. The testing of makeup water supply piping and distribution piping shall be conducted in accordance with Section P2503.7.

P2911.12.4 Inspection and testing of backflow

prevention assemblies. The testing of backflow preventers and backwater valves shall be conducted in accordance with Section P2503.8.

P2911.12.5 Inspection of vermin and insect protection.

Inlets and vents to the system shall be inspected to verify that each is protected to prevent the entrance of insects and vermin into the storage tank and piping systems in accordance with Section P2910.7.

P2911.12.6 Water quality test. The quality of the water for the intended application shall be verified at the point of use in accordance with the requirements of the *jurisdiction*.

P2911.13 Operation and maintenance manuals. Operation and maintenance materials shall be supplied with nonpotable on-site water reuse systems in accordance with Sections P2911.13.1 through P2911.13.4.

P2911.13.1 Manual. A detailed operations and maintenance manual shall be supplied in hard-copy form for each system.

P2911.13.2 Schematics. The manual shall include a detailed system schematic, the location of system components and a list of system components that includes the manufacturers and model numbers of the components.

P2911.13.3 Maintenance procedures. The manual shall provide a schedule and procedures for system components requiring periodic maintenance. Consumable parts including filters shall be noted along with part numbers.

P2911.13.4 Operations procedures. The manual shall include system startup and shutdown procedures. The manual shall include detailed operating procedures for the system.

**SECTION P2912
NONPOTABLE RAINWATER COLLECTION
AND DISTRIBUTION SYSTEMS**

P2912.1 General. The provisions of this section shall govern the construction, installation, *alteration*, and repair of rainwater collection and conveyance systems for the collection, storage, treatment and distribution of rainwater for nonpotable applications, as permitted by the *jurisdiction*.

P2912.2 Collection surface. Rainwater shall be collected only from above-ground impervious roofing surfaces constructed from *approved* materials. Collection of water from vehicular parking or pedestrian walkway surfaces shall be prohibited except where the water is used exclusively for landscape irrigation. Overflow and bleed-off pipes from roof-mounted *appliances* including, but not limited to, evaporative coolers, water heaters and solar water heaters shall not discharge onto rainwater collection surfaces.

P2912.3 Debris excluders. Downspouts and leaders shall be connected to a roof washer and shall be equipped with a debris excluder or equivalent device to prevent the contamination of collected rainwater with leaves, sticks, pine needles and similar material. Debris excluders and equivalent devices shall be self-cleaning.

P2912.4 Roof washer. An amount of rainwater shall be diverted at the beginning of each rain event, and not allowed to enter the storage tank, to wash accumulated debris from the collection surface. The amount of rainfall to be diverted shall

be field adjustable as necessary to minimize storage tank water contamination. The roof washer shall not rely on manually operated valves or devices, and shall operate automatically. Diverted rainwater shall not be drained to the roof surface, and shall be discharged in a manner consistent with the stormwater runoff requirements of the *jurisdiction*. Roof washers shall be accessible for maintenance and service.

P2912.5 Roof gutters and downspouts. Gutters and downspouts shall be constructed of materials that are compatible with the collection surface and the rainwater quality for the desired end use. Joints shall be watertight.

P2912.5.1 Slope. Roof gutters, leaders and rainwater collection piping shall slope continuously toward collection inlets and shall be free of leaks. Gutters and downspouts shall have a slope of not less than 10.4 mm/m ($\frac{1}{8}$ inch per foot) along their entire length. Gutters and downspouts shall be installed so that water does not pool at any point.

P2912.5.2 Cleanouts. Cleanouts shall be provided in the water conveyance system to allow access to filters, flushes, pipes and downspouts.

P2912.6 Drainage. Water drained from the roof washer or debris excluder shall not be drained to the sanitary sewer. Such water shall be diverted from the storage tank and shall discharge to a location that will not cause erosion or damage to property. Roof washers and debris excluders shall be provided with an automatic means of self-draining between rain events and shall not drain onto roof surfaces.

P2912.7 Collection pipe. Rainwater collection and conveyance systems shall utilize drainage piping *approved* for use within plumbing drainage systems to collect and convey captured rainwater. Vent piping *approved* for use within plumbing venting systems shall be utilized for vents within the rainwater system. Collection and vent piping materials shall comply with Section P3002.

P2912.7.1 Installation. Collection piping conveying captured rainwater shall be installed in accordance with Section P3005.3.

P2912.7.2 Joints. Collection piping conveying captured rainwater shall utilize joints *approved* for use with the distribution piping and appropriate for the intended applications as specified in Section P3003.

P2912.7.3 Size. Collection piping conveying captured rainwater shall be sized in accordance with drainage-sizing requirements specified in Section P3005.4.

P2912.7.4 Marking. Additional marking of collection piping conveying captured rainwater for reuse shall not be required beyond that required for sanitary drainage, waste, and vent piping by Chapter 30.

P2912.8 Filtration. Collected rainwater shall be filtered as required for the intended end use. Filters shall be accessible for inspection and maintenance. Filters shall utilize a pressure gauge or other *approved* method to provide indication when a filter requires servicing or replacement. Filters shall be installed with shutoff valves installed immediately upstream and downstream to allow for isolation during maintenance.

P2912.9 Disinfection. Where the intended application for rainwater requires disinfection or other treatment or both, it shall be disinfected as needed to ensure that the required water quality is delivered at the point of use.

P2912.10 Storage tanks. Storage tanks utilized in nonpotable rainwater collection and conveyance systems shall comply with Section P2910.9 and Sections P2912.10.1 through P2912.10.3.

P2912.10.1 Location. Storage tanks shall be located with a minimum horizontal distance between various elements as indicated in Table P2912.10.1.

P2912.10.2 Inlets. Storage tank inlets shall be designed to introduce collected rainwater into the tank with minimum turbulence, and shall be located and designed to avoid agitating the contents of the storage tank.

P2912.10.3 Outlets. Outlets shall be located not less than 100 mm (4 inche) above the bottom of the storage tank and shall not skim water from the surface.

P2912.11 Valves. Valves shall be supplied on rainwater collection and conveyance systems in accordance with Sections P2912.11.1 and P2912.11.2.

P2912.11.1 Influent diversion. A means shall be provided to divert storage tank influent to allow for maintenance and repair of the storage tank system.

P2912.11.2 Backwater valve. Backwater valves shall be installed on each overflow and tank drainpipe. Backwater valves shall be in accordance with Section P3008.

P2912.12 Pumping and control system. Mechanical equipment including pumps, valves and filters shall be easily accessible and removable in order to perform repair, maintenance and cleaning. The minimum flow rate and flow pressure delivered by the pumping system shall appropriate for the application and in accordance with Section P2903.

P2912.13 Water pressure-reducing valve or regulator. Where the water pressure supplied by the pumping system exceeds 552 kPa (80 psi) static, a pressure-reducing valve shall be installed to reduce the pressure in the rainwater distribution system piping to 552 kPa (80 psi) static or less. Pressure-reducing valves shall be specified and installed in accordance with Section P2903.3.1.

P2912.14 Distribution pipe. Distribution piping utilized in rainwater collection and conveyance systems shall comply with Sections P2912.14.1 through P2912.14.3.

Exception: Irrigation piping located outside of the building and downstream of a backflow preventer.

P2912.14.1 Materials, joints and connections. Distribution piping shall conform to the standards and requirements specified in Section P2906 for nonpotable water.

P2912.14.2 Design. Distribution piping systems shall be designed and sized in accordance with the Section P2903 for the intended application.

P2912.14.3 Labeling and marking. Nonpotable rainwater distribution piping labeling and marking shall comply with Section P2901.2.

P2912.15 Tests and inspections. Tests and inspections shall be performed in accordance with Sections P2912.15.1 through P2912.15.8.

P2912.15.1 Roof gutter inspection and test. Roof gutters shall be inspected to verify that the installation and slope is in accordance with Section P2912.5.1. Gutters shall be tested by pouring not less than 3.8 L (1 gallon of water) into the end of the gutter opposite the collection point. The gutter being tested shall not leak and shall not retain standing water.

P2912.15.2 Roofwasher test. Roofwashers shall be tested by introducing water into the gutters. Proper diversion of the first quantity of water in accordance with the requirements of Section P2912.4 shall be verified.

P2912.15.3 Collection pipe and vent test. Drain, waste and vent piping used for rainwater collection and conveyance systems shall be tested in accordance with Section P2503.

P2912.15.4 Storage tank test. Storage tanks shall be tested in accordance with the Section P2910.11.

P2912.15.5 Water supply system test. The testing of makeup water supply piping and distribution piping shall be conducted in accordance with Section P2503.7.

P2912.15.6 Inspection and testing of backflow prevention assemblies. The testing of backflow preventers and backwater valves shall be conducted in accordance with Section P2503.8.

P2912.15.7 Inspection of vermin and insect protection. Inlets and vents to the system shall be inspected to verify that each is protected to prevent the entrance of insects and vermin into the storage tank and piping systems in accordance with Section P2910.7.

P2912.15.8 Water quality test. The quality of the water for the intended application shall be verified at the point of use in accordance with the requirements of the *jurisdiction*.

TABLE P2912.10.1
LOCATION OF RAINWATER STORAGE TANKS

ELEMENT	MINIMUM HORIZONTAL DISTANCE FROM STORAGE TANK (Millimetres)
Critical root zone (CRZ) of protected trees	610
Lot line adjoining private lots	1,525
Seepage pits	1,525
Septic tanks	1,525

P2912.16 Operation and maintenance manuals. Operation and maintenance manuals shall be supplied with rainwater collection and conveyance systems in accordance with Sections P2912.16.1 through P2912.16.4.

P2912.16.1 Manual. A detailed operations and maintenance manual shall be supplied in hard-copy form for each system.

P2912.16.2 Schematics. The manual shall include a detailed system schematic, the location of system components and a list of system components that includes the manufacturers and model numbers of the components.

P2912.16.3 Maintenance procedures. The manual shall provide a maintenance schedule and procedures for system components requiring periodic maintenance. Consumable parts, including filters, shall be noted along with part numbers.

P2912.16.4 Operations procedures. The manual shall include system startup and shutdown procedures, and detailed operating procedures.

P2913.4 Tests and inspections. Tests and inspections shall be performed in accordance with Sections P2913.4.1 and P2913.4.2.

P2913.4.1 Water supply system test. The testing of makeup water supply piping and reclaimed water distribution piping shall be conducted in accordance with Section P2503.7.

P2913.4.2 Inspection and testing of backflow prevention assemblies. The testing of backflow preventers shall be conducted in accordance with Section P2503.8.

SECTION P2913 RECLAIMED WATER SYSTEMS

P2913.1 General. The provisions of this section shall govern the construction, installation, *alteration* and repair of systems supplying nonpotable reclaimed water.

P2913.2 Water pressure-reducing valve or regulator. Where the reclaimed water pressure supplied to the building exceeds 552 kPa (80 psi) static, a pressure-reducing valve shall be installed to reduce the pressure in the reclaimed water distribution system piping to 552 kPa (80 psi) static or less. Pressure-reducing valves shall be specified and installed in accordance with Section P2903.3.1

P2913.3 Reclaimed water systems. The design of the reclaimed water systems shall conform to accepted engineering practice.

P2913.3.1 Distribution pipe. Distribution piping shall comply with Sections P2913.3.1.1 through P2913.3.1.3.

Exception: Irrigation piping located outside of the building and downstream of a backflow preventer.

P2913.3.1.1 Materials, joints and connections. Distribution piping conveying reclaimed water shall conform to standards and requirements specified in Section P2906 for nonpotable water.

P2913.3.1.2 Design. Distribution piping systems shall be designed and sized in accordance with Section P2903 for the intended application.

P2913.3.1.3 Labeling and marking. Nonpotable rainwater distribution piping labeling and marking shall comply with Section P2901.2.

CHAPTER 30

SANITARY DRAINAGE

User notes:

About this chapter: Chapter 30 regulates methods and piping systems that remove water that has been used for purposes such as flushing water closets, bathing, culinary activities and equipment discharges. The types of materials, drainage fitting and connection methods for these systems, beginning at the receiving fixtures and ending at the point of disposal for the liquid waste, are covered. A design method for a gravity flow system of vertical and horizontal piping is provided based on the probability of flows from specific fixtures.

SECTION P3001 GENERAL

P3001.1 Scope. The provisions of this chapter shall govern the materials, design, construction and installation of sanitary drainage systems. Plumbing materials shall conform to the requirements of this chapter. The drainage, waste and vent (DWV) system shall consist of piping for conveying wastes from plumbing fixtures, appliances and appurtenances, including fixture traps; above-grade drainage piping; below-grade drains within the building, such as a *building drain*; below- and above-grade venting systems; and piping to the public sewer or private septic system.

P3001.2 Protection from freezing. Portions of the above-grade DWV system, other than vent terminals, may be located outside of a building, in *attics* or crawl spaces, concealed in outside walls, or in any other place subjected to outdoor temperatures since freezing will not occur in Jamaica winter temperatures. .

P3001.3 Flood-resistant installation. In flood hazard areas as established by Table R301.2(1), drainage, waste and vent systems shall be located and installed to prevent infiltration of floodwaters into the systems and discharges from the systems into floodwaters.

SECTION P3002 MATERIALS

P3002.1 Piping within buildings. Drain, waste and vent (DWV) piping in buildings shall be as indicated in Tables P3002.1(1) and P3002.1(2) except that galvanized wrought-iron or galvanized steel pipe shall not be used underground and shall be maintained not less than 150 mm (6 inches) above ground. Allowance shall be made for the thermal expansion and contraction of plastic piping.

P3002.2 Building sewer. *Building sewer* piping shall be as indicated in Table P3002.2. Forced main sewer piping shall conform to one of the standards for ABS plastic pipe, copper or copper-alloy tubing, PVC plastic pipe or pressure-rated pipe indicated in Table P3002.2.

**TABLE P3002.1(1)
ABOVE-GROUND DRAINAGE AND VENT PIPE**

MATERIAL	STANDARD
Acrylonitrile butadiene styrene (ABS) plastic pipe in IPS diameters, including schedule 40, DR 22 (PS 200) and DR 24 (PS 140); with a solid, cellular core or composite wall	ASTM D2661; ASTM F628; ASTM F1488; CSA B181.1
Cast-iron pipe	ASTM A74; ASTM A888; CISPI 301
Copper or copper-alloy pipe	ASTM B42; ASTM B43; ASTM B302
Copper or copper-alloy tubing (Type K, L, M or DWV)	ASTM B75/B75M; ASTM B88; ASTM B251; ASTM B306
Galvanized steel pipe	ASTM A53
Polyolefin pipe	CSA B181.3
Polyvinyl chloride (PVC) plastic pipe in IPS diameters, including schedule 40, DR 22 (PS 200) and DR 24 (PS 140); with a solid, cellular core or composite wall	ASTM D2665; ASTM F891; ASTM F1488; CSA B181.2
Polyvinyl chloride (PVC) plastic pipe with a 82.5 mm (3.25 inch) O.D. and a solid, cellular core or composite wall	ASTM D2949; ASTM F1488
Stainless steel drainage systems, Types 304 and 316L	ASME A112.3.1

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch.

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**TABLE P3002.1(2)
UNDERGROUND BUILDING DRAINAGE AND VENT PIPE**

PIPE	STANDARD
Acrylonitrile butadiene styrene (ABS) plastic pipe in IPS diameters, including schedule 40, DR 22 (PS 200) and DR 24 (PS 140); with a solid, cellular core or composite wall	ASTM D2661; ASTM F628; ASTM F1488; CSA B181.1
Cast-iron pipe	ASTM A74; ASTM A888; CISPI 301
Copper or copper-alloy tubing (Type K, L, M or DWV)	ASTM B75/B75M; ASTM B88; ASTM B251; ASTM B306
Polyethylene (PE) plastic pipe (SDR-PR)	ASTM F714
Polyolefin pipe	ASTM F714; ASTM F1412; CSA B181.3
Polyvinyl chloride (PVC) plastic pipe in IPS diameters, including schedule 40, DR 22 (PS 200) and DR 24 (PS 140); with a solid, cellular core or composite wall	ASTM D2665; ASTM F891; ASTM F1488; CSA B181.2
Polyvinyl chloride (PVC) plastic pipe with a 82.5 mm (3.25 inch) O.D. and a solid, cellular core or composite wall	ASTM D2949; ASTM F1488
Stainless steel drainage systems, Type 316L	ASME A112.3.1

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch.

**TABLE P3002.2
BUILDING SEWER PIPE**

MATERIAL	STANDARD
Acrylonitrile butadiene styrene (ABS) plastic pipe in IPS diameters, including schedule 40, DR 22 (PS 200) and DR 24 (PS 140); with a solid, cellular core or composite wall	ASTM D2661; ASTM F628; ASTM F1488
Acrylonitrile butadiene styrene (ABS) plastic pipe in sewer and drain diameters, including SDR 42 (PS 20), PS35, SDR 35 (PS 45), PS50, PS100, PS140, SDR 23.5 (PS 150) and PS200; with a solid, cellular core or composite wall	ASTM D2751; ASTM F1488
Polyvinyl chloride (PVC) plastic pipe in sewer and drain diameters, including PS 25, SDR 41 (PS 28), PS 35, SDR 35 (PS 46), PS 50, PS 100, SDR 26 (PS 115), PS140 and PS 200; with a solid, cellular core or composite wall	ASTM D3034; ASTM F891; ASTM F1488; CSA B182.2; CSA B182.4
Cast-iron pipe	ASTM A74; ASTM A888; CISPI 301
Concrete pipe	ASTM C14; ASTM C76; CSA A257.1; CSA A257.2
Copper or copper-alloy tubing (Type K or L)	ASTM B75/B75M; ASTM B88; ASTM B251
Polyethylene (PE) plastic pipe (SDR-PR)	ASTM F714
Polyolefin pipe	ASTM F1412; CSA B181.3
Polyvinyl chloride (PVC) plastic pipe in IPS diameters, including schedule 40, DR 22 (PS 200) and DR 24 (PS 140); with solid, cellular core or composite wall	ASTM D2665; ASTM D2949; ASTM D3034; ASTM F1412; CSA B182.2; CSA B182.4
Polyvinyl chloride (PVC) plastic pipe with a 82.5 mm (3.25 inch) O.D. and a solid, cellular core or composite wall	ASTM D2949, ASTM F1488
Stainless steel drainage systems, Types 304 and 316L	ASME A112.3.1
Vitrified clay pipe	ASTM C425; ASTM C700

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch.

**TABLE P3002.3
PIPE FITTINGS**

PIPE MATERIAL	FITTING STANDARD
Acrylonitrile butadiene styrene (ABS) plastic pipe in IPS diameters	ASTM D2661; ASTM D3311; ASTM F628; CSA B181.1
Acrylonitrile butadiene styrene (ABS) plastic pipe in sewer and drain diameters	ASTM D2751
Cast-iron	ASME B16.4; ASME B16.12; ASTM A74; ASTM A888; CISPI 301
Copper or copper alloy	ASME B16.15; ASME B16.18; ASME B16.22; ASME B16.23; ASME B16.26; ASME B16.29
Gray iron and ductile iron	AWWA C110/A21.10
Polyethylene	ASTM D2683
Polyolefin	ASTM F1412; CSA B181.3
Polyvinyl chloride (PVC) plastic in IPS diameters	ASTM D2665; ASTM D3311; ASTM F1866
Polyvinyl chloride (PVC) plastic pipe in sewer and drain diameters	ASTM D3034
Polyvinyl chloride (PVC) plastic pipe with a 82.5 (3.25 inch) O.D.	ASTM D2949
PVC fabricated fittings	ASTM F1866
Stainless steel drainage systems, Types 304 and 316L	ASME A112.3.1
Vitrified clay	ASTM C700

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 incg.

P3002.2.1 Building sewer pipe near the water service.

The proximity of a *building sewer* to a water service shall comply with Section P2906.4.1.

P3002.3 Fittings. Pipe fittings shall be *approved* for installation with the piping material installed and shall comply with the applicable standards indicated in Table P3002.3.

P3002.3.1 Drainage. Drainage fittings shall have a smooth interior waterway of the same diameter as the piping served. Fittings shall conform to the type of pipe used. Drainage fittings shall not have ledges, shoulders or reductions that can retard or obstruct drainage flow in the piping. Threaded drainage pipe fittings shall be of the recessed drainage type, black or galvanized. Drainage fittings shall be designed to maintain one-fourth unit vertical in 12 units horizontal (2-percent slope) grade. This section shall not be applicable to tubular waste fittings used to convey vertical flow upstream of the trap seal liquid level of a fixture trap.

P3002.4 Other materials. Sheet lead, lead bends, lead traps and sheet copper shall comply with Sections P3002.4.1 through P3002.4.3.

P3002.4.1 Sheet lead. Sheet lead shall not be used in potable water supply systems and where otherwise used shall weigh not less than indicated for the following applications:

1. Flashing of vent terminals, 15 kg/m² (3 psf).
2. Prefabricated flashing for vent pipes, 15 kg/m² (2¹/₂ psf).

P3002.4.2 Lead bends and traps. Lead bends and lead traps shall be not less than 3 mm (¹/₈-inch) wall thickness. Lead bends and traps shall not be used in potable water supply systems.

P3002.4.3 Sheet copper. Sheet copper shall weigh not less than indicated for the following applications:

4. General use, 4 kg/m² (12 ounces per square feet) ().

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5. Flashing for vent pipes, 2.5 kg/m² (8 ounces per square feet).

SECTION P3003 JOINTS AND CONNECTIONS

P3003.1 Tightness. Joints and connections in the DWV system shall be gastight and watertight for the intended use or pressure required by test.

P3003.1.1 Threaded joints, general. Pipe and fitting threads shall be tapered.

P3003.2 Prohibited joints. Running threads and bands shall not be used in the drainage system. Drainage and vent piping shall not be drilled, tapped, burned or welded.

The following types of joints and connections shall be prohibited:

1. Cement or concrete.
2. Mastic or hot-pour bituminous joints.
3. Joints made with fittings not *approved* for the specific installation.
4. Joints between different diameter pipes made with elastomeric rolling O-rings.
5. Solvent-cement joints between different types of plastic pipe except where provided for in Section P3003.13.4.
6. Saddle-type fittings.

P3003.3 ABS plastic. Joints between ABS plastic pipe or fittings shall comply with Sections P3003.3.1 through P3003.3.3.

P3003.3.1 Mechanical joints. Mechanical joints on drainage pipes shall be made with an elastomeric seal conforming to ASTM C1173, ASTM D3212 or CSA B602.

Mechanical joints shall be installed only in underground systems unless otherwise *approved*. Joints shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

P3003.3.2 Solvent cementing. Joint surfaces shall be clean and free from moisture. Solvent cement that conforms to ASTM D2235 or CSA B181.1 shall be applied to joint surfaces. The joint shall be made while the cement is wet. Joints shall be made in accordance with ASTM D2235, ASTM D2661, ASTM F628 or CSA B181.1. Solvent-cement joints shall be permitted above or below ground.

P3003.3.3 Threaded joints. Threads shall conform to ASME B1.20.1. Schedule 80 or heavier pipe shall be permitted to be threaded with dies specifically designed for plastic pipe. *Approved* thread lubricant or tape shall be applied on the male threads only.

P3003.4 Cast iron. Joints between cast-iron pipe or fittings shall comply with Sections P3003.4.1 through P3003.4.3.

P3003.4.1 Caulked joints. Joints for hub and spigot pipe shall be firmly packed with oakum or hemp. Molten lead shall be poured in one operation to a depth of not less than 25 mm (1 inch). The lead shall not recede more than 3 mm ($\frac{1}{8}$ Inch) below the rim of the hub and shall be caulked tight. Paint, varnish or other coatings shall not be permitted on the jointing material until after the joint has been tested and *approved*. Lead shall be run in one pouring and shall be caulked tight. Caulked joints utilizing lead shall not be used in potable water supply systems.

P3003.4.2 Compression gasket joints. Compression gaskets for hub and spigot pipe and fittings shall conform to ASTM C564. Gaskets shall be compressed when the pipe is fully inserted.

P3003.4.3 Mechanical joint coupling. Mechanical joint couplings for hubless pipe and fittings shall consist of an elastomeric sealing sleeve and a metallic shield that comply with CISPI 310, ASTM C1277 or ASTM C1540. The elastomeric sealing sleeve shall conform to ASTM C564 or CSA B602 and shall have a center stop. Mechanical joint couplings shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

P3003.5 Concrete joints. Joints between concrete pipe and fittings shall be made with an elastomeric seal conforming to ASTM C443, ASTM C1173, CSA A257.3 or CSA B602.

P3003.6 Copper and copper-alloy pipe and tubing. Joints between copper or copper-alloy pipe tubing or fittings shall comply with Sections P3003.6.1 through P3003.6.4.

P3003.6.1 Brazed joints. All joint surfaces shall be cleaned. An *approved* flux shall be applied where required. Brazing materials shall have a melting point in excess of 538°C (1,000°F). Brazing alloys filler metal shall be in accordance with AWS A5.8.

P3003.6.2 Mechanical joints. Mechanical joints shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

P3003.6.3 Soldered joints. Copper and copper-alloy joints shall be soldered in accordance with ASTM B828. Cut

tube ends shall be reamed to the full inside diameter of the tube end. Joint surfaces shall be cleaned. Fluxes for soldering shall be in accordance with ASTM B813 and shall become noncorrosive and nontoxic after soldering. The joint shall be soldered with a solder conforming to ASTM B32.

P3003.6.4 Threaded joints. Threads shall conform to ASME B1.20.1. Pipe-joint compound or tape shall be applied on the male threads only.

P3003.7 Steel. Joints between galvanized steel pipe or fittings shall comply with Sections P3003.7.1 and P3003.7.2.

P3003.7.1 Threaded joints. Threads shall conform to ASME B1.20.1. Pipe-joint compound or tape shall be applied on the male threads only.

P3003.7.2 Mechanical joints. Joints shall be made with an *approved* elastomeric seal. Mechanical joints shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

P3003.8 Lead. Not applicable.

P3003.8.1 Burned. Not applicable.

P3003.8.2 Wiped. Not applicable.

P3003.9 PVC plastic. Joints between PVC plastic pipe or fittings shall comply with Sections P3003.9.1 through P3003.9.3.

P3003.9.1 Mechanical joints. Mechanical joints on drainage pipe shall be made with an elastomeric seal conforming to ASTM C1173, ASTM D3212 or CSA B602. Mechanical joints shall not be installed in above-ground systems, unless otherwise *approved*. Joints shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

P3003.9.2 Solvent cementing. Joint surfaces shall be clean and free from moisture. A purple primer, or other *approved* primer, that conforms to ASTM F656 shall be applied. Solvent cement not purple in color and conforming to ASTM D2564, CSA B137.3 or CSA B181.2 shall be applied to all joint surfaces. The joint shall be made while the cement is wet, and shall be in accordance with ASTM D2855. Solvent-cement joints shall be installed above or below ground.

Exception: A primer shall not be required where all of the following conditions apply:

- a. The solvent cement used is third-party certified as conforming to ASTM D2564.
- b. The solvent cement is used only for joining PVC drain, waste and vent pipe and fittings in non-pressure applications in sizes up to and including 100 mm (4 inches)+ in diameter

P3003.9.3 Threaded joints. Threads shall conform to ASME B1.20.1. Schedule 80 or heavier pipe shall be permitted to be threaded with dies specifically designed for plastic pipe. *Approved* thread lubricant or tape shall be applied on the male threads only.

P3003.10 Vitrified clay. Joints between vitrified clay pipe or fittings shall be made with an elastomeric seal conforming to ASTM C425, ASTM C1173 or CSA B602.

P3003.11 Polyolefin plastic. Joints between polyolefin plastic pipe and fittings shall comply with Sections P3003.11.1 and P3003.11.2.

P3003.11.1 Heat-fusion joints. Heat-fusion joints for polyolefin pipe and tubing joints shall be installed with socket-type heat-fused polyolefin fittings or electrofusion polyolefin fittings. Joint surfaces shall be clean and free from moisture. The joint shall be undisturbed until cool. Joints shall be made in accordance with ASTM F1412 or CSA B181.3.

P3003.11.2 Mechanical and compression sleeve joints. Mechanical and compression sleeve joints shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

P3003.12 Polyethylene plastic pipe. Joints between polyethylene plastic pipe and fittings shall be underground and shall comply with Section P3003.12.1 or P3003.12.2.

P3003.12.1 Heat fusion joints. Joint surfaces shall be clean and free from moisture. Joint surfaces shall be cut, heated to melting temperature and joined using tools specifically designed for the operation. Joints shall be undisturbed until cool. Joints shall be made in accordance with ASTM D2657 and the manufacturer's instructions.

P3003.12.2 Mechanical joints. Mechanical joints in drainage piping shall be made with an elastomeric seal conforming to ASTM C1173, ASTM D3212 or CSA B602. Mechanical joints shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

P3003.13 Joints between different materials. Joints between different piping materials shall be made with a mechanical joint of the compression or mechanical-sealing type conforming to ASTM C1173, ASTM C1460 or ASTM C1461. Connectors and adapters shall be *approved* for the application and such joints shall have an elastomeric seal conforming to ASTM C425, ASTM C443, ASTM C564, ASTM C1440, ASTM D1869, ASTM F477, CSA A257.3 or CSA B602, or as required in Sections P3003.13.1 through P3003.13.6. Joints between glass pipe and other types of materials shall be made with adapters having a TFE seal. Joints shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

P3003.13.1 Copper pipe or tubing to cast-iron hub pipe. Joints between copper pipe or tubing and cast-iron hub pipe shall be made with a copper-alloy ferrule or compression joint. The copper pipe or tubing shall be soldered to the ferrule in an *approved* manner, and the ferrule shall be joined to the cast-iron hub by a caulked joint or a mechanical compression joint.

P3003.13.2 Copper pipe or tubing to galvanized steel pipe. Joints between copper pipe or tubing and galvanized

steel pipe shall be made with a copper-alloy or dielectric fitting. The copper tubing shall be soldered to the fitting in an *approved* manner, and the fitting shall be screwed to the threaded pipe.

P3003.13.3 Cast-iron pipe to galvanized steel or copper-alloy pipe. Joints between cast-iron and galvanized steel or copper-alloy pipe shall be made by either caulked or threaded joints or with an *approved* adapter fitting.

P3003.13.4 Plastic pipe or tubing to other piping material. Joints between different types of plastic pipe shall be made with an *approved* adapter fitting or by a solvent-cement joint only where a single joint is made between ABS and PVC pipes at the end of a building drainage pipe and the beginning of a *building sewer* pipe using a solvent cement complying with ASTM D3138. Joints between plastic pipe and other piping material shall be made with an *approved* adapter fitting. Joints between plastic pipe and cast-iron hub pipe shall be made by a caulked joint or a mechanical compression joint.

P3003.13.5 Lead pipe to other piping material. Not applicable.

P3003.13.6 Stainless steel drainage systems to other materials. Joints between stainless steel drainage systems and other piping materials shall be made with *approved* mechanical couplings.

P3003.14 Joints between drainage piping and water closets. Joints between drainage piping and water closets or similar fixtures shall be made by means of a closet flange or a waste connector and sealing gasket compatible with the drainage system material, securely fastened to a structurally firm base. The joint shall be bolted, with an *approved* gasket flange to fixture connection complying with ASME A112.4.3 or setting compound between the fixture and the closet flange or waste connector and sealing gasket. The waste connector and sealing gasket joint shall comply with the joint-tightness test of ASME A112.4.3 and shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

SECTION P3004 DETERMINING DRAINAGE FIXTURE UNITS

P3004.1 DWV system load. The load on DWV-system piping shall be computed in terms of drainage fixture unit (d.f.u.) values in accordance with Table P3004.1.

SECTION P3005 DRAINAGE SYSTEM

P3005.1 Drainage fittings and connections. Changes in direction in drainage piping shall be made by the appropriate use of sanitary tees, wyes, sweeps, bends or by a combination of these drainage fittings in accordance with Table P3005.1. Change in direction by combination fittings, heel or side inlets or increasers shall be installed in accordance with Table P3005.1 and Sections P3005.1.1 through P3005.1.4, based on the pattern of flow created by the fitting.

**TABLE P3004.1
DRAINAGE FIXTURE UNIT (d.f.u.) VALUES FOR VARIOUS PLUMBING FIXTURES**

TYPE OF FIXTURE OR GROUP OF FIXTURES	DRAINAGE FIXTURE UNIT VALUE (d.f.u.) ^a
Bar sink	1
Bathtub (with or without a shower head or whirlpool attachments)	2
Bidet	1
Clothes washer standpipe	2
Dishwasher	2
Floor drain ^b	0
Kitchen sink	2
Lavatory	1
Laundry tub	2
Shower stall	2
Water closet (6 Litres [1.6 gallons] per flush)	3
Water closet (greater than 6 Litres [1.6 gallons] per flush)	4
Full-bath group with bathtub (with 6 Litres [1.6 gallon] per flush water closet, and with or without shower head and/or whirlpool attachment on the bathtub or shower stall)	5
Full-bath group with bathtub (water closet greater than 6 Litres [1.6 gallon] per flush, and with or without shower head and/or whirlpool attachment on the bathtub or shower stall)	6
Half-bath group (6 Litres [1.6 gallon] per flush water closet plus lavatory)	4
Half-bath group (water closet greater than 6 Litres [1.6 gallon] per flush plus lavatory)	5
Kitchen group (dishwasher and sink with or without food-waste disposer)	2
Laundry group (clothes washer standpipe and laundry tub)	3
Multiple-bath groups ^c :	
1.5 baths	7
2 baths	8
2.5 baths	9
3 baths	10
3.5 baths	11

For Inch Pound Units: 1 Litre = 0.2642 gallon, 1 Litre per minute = 0.2642 gallon/min.

- a) For a continuous or semicontinuous flow into a drainage system, such as from a pump or similar device, 1.5 fixture units shall be allowed per 3.8 L/min (1gpm) of flow. For a fixture not listed, use the highest d.f.u. value for a similar listed fixture.
- b) A floor drain itself does not add hydraulic load. Where used as a receptor, the fixture unit value of the fixture discharging into the receptor shall be applicable.
- c) Add 2 d.f.u. for each additional full bath.

**TABLE P3005.1
FITTINGS FOR CHANGE IN DIRECTION**

TYPE OF FITTING PATTERN	CHANGE IN DIRECTION		
	Horizontal to vertical ^c	Vertical to horizontal	Horizontal to horizontal
Sixteenth bend	X	X	X
Eighth bend	X	X	X
Sixth bend	X	X	X
Quarter bend	X	X ^a	X ^a
Short sweep	X	X ^{a,b}	X ^a
Long sweep	X	X	X
Sanitary tee	X ^c	—	—
Wye	X	X	X
Combination wye and eighth bend	X	X	X

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch.

- a) The fittings shall only be permitted for a 51 mm (2-inch) or smaller fixture drain.
- b) Seventy six (three inches) and larger.
- c) For a limitation on multiple connection fittings, see Section P3005.1.1.

P3005.1.1 Horizontal to vertical (multiple connection fittings). Double fittings such as double sanitary tees and tee-wyes or *approved* multiple connection fittings and back-to-back fixture arrangements that connect two or more branches at the same level shall be permitted as long as directly opposing connections are the same size and the discharge into directly opposing connections is from similar fixture types or fixture groups. Double sanitary tee patterns shall not receive the discharge of back-to-back water closets and fixtures or appliances with pumping action discharge.

Exception: Back-to-back water closet connections to double sanitary tee patterns shall be permitted where the horizontal *developed length* between the outlet of the water closet and the connection to the double sanitary tee is 455 mm (18 inches) or greater.

P3005.1.2 Heel- or side-inlet quarter bends, drainage. Heel-inlet quarter bends shall be an acceptable means of connection, except where the quarter bends serves a water closet. A low-heel inlet shall not be used as a wet-vented connection. Side-inlet quarter bends shall be an acceptable means of connection for both drainage, wet venting and stack venting arrangements.

P3005.1.3 Heel- or side-inlet quarter bends, venting. Heel-inlet or side-inlet quarter bends, or any arrangement of pipe and fittings producing a similar effect, shall be acceptable as a dry vent where the inlet is placed in a vertical position. The inlet is permitted to be placed in a horizontal position only where the entire fitting is part of a dry vent arrangement.

P3005.1.4 Water closet connection between flange and pipe. One-quarter bends 76 mm (3 inches) in diameter shall be acceptable for water closet or similar connections, provided that a 100 mm by 76 mm (4-inch by 3-inch) flange is installed to receive the closet fixture horn. Alternately, a 100 mm by 76 mm (4-inch by 3-inch) elbow shall be acceptable with a 100 mm (4-inch) flange.

P3005.1.5 Provisions for future fixtures. Where drainage has been roughed-in for future fixtures, the drainage unit values of the future fixtures shall be considered in determining the required drain sizes. Such future installations shall be terminated with an accessible permanent plug or cap fitting.

P3005.1.6 Drainage piping size reduction in the direction of flow. The size of the drainage piping shall not be reduced in the direction of the flow. The following shall not be considered a reduction in size in the direction of flow:

- a. A 100 mm by 76 mm (4-inch by 3-inch) water closet flange.
- b. A water closet bend fitting having a 4-inch (102 mm) inlet and a 76 mm (3-inch) outlet provided that the 4-inch leg of the fitting is upright and below, but not necessarily directly connected to, the water closet flange.
- c. An offset closet flange.

P3005.2 Cleanouts required. Cleanouts shall be provided for drainage piping in accordance with Sections P3005.2.1 through P3005.2.11.

P3005.2.1 Horizontal drains and building drains. Horizontal drainage pipes in buildings shall have cleanouts located at intervals of not more than 30,500 mm (100 feet). *Building drains* shall have cleanouts located at intervals of not more than 30,500 mm (100 feet) except where manholes are used instead of cleanouts, the manholes shall be located at intervals of not more than 122,000 mm (400 feet). The interval length shall be measured from the cleanout or manhole opening, along the *developed length* of the piping to the next drainage fitting providing access for cleaning, the end of the horizontal drain or the end of the *building drain*.

Exception: Horizontal fixture drain piping serving a nonremovable trap shall not be required to have a cleanout for the section of piping between the trap and the vent connection for such trap.

P3005.2.2 Building sewers. *Building sewers* smaller than 205 mm (8 inches) shall have cleanouts located at intervals of not more than 30,500 mm (100 feet). *Building sewers* 205 mm (8 inches) and larger shall have a manhole located not more than 61,000 mm (200 feet) from the junction of the *building drain* and *building sewer* and at intervals of not more than 122,000 mm (400 feet). The interval length shall be measured from the cleanout or manhole opening, along the *developed length* of the piping to the next drainage fitting providing access for cleaning, a manhole or the end of the *building sewer*.

P3005.2.3 Building drain and building sewer junction. The junction of the *building drain* and the *building sewer* shall be served by a cleanout that is located at the junction or within 3,050 mm (10 feet) *developed length* of piping upstream of the junction. For the requirements of this section, removal of a water closet shall not be required to provide cleanout access.

P3005.2.4 Changes of direction. Where a horizontal drainage pipe, a *building drain* or a *building sewer* has a change of horizontal direction greater than 45 degrees (0.79 rad), a cleanout shall be installed at the change of direction. Where more than one change of horizontal direction greater than 45 degrees (0.79 rad) occurs within 12,200 mm (40 feet) of *developed length* of piping, the cleanout installed for the first change of direction shall serve as the cleanout for all changes in direction within that 12,200 mm (40 feet) of developed length of piping.

P3005.2.5 Cleanout size. Cleanouts shall be the same size as the piping served by the cleanout, except cleanouts for piping larger than 100 mm (4 inches) need not be larger than 100 mm (4 inches).

Exceptions:

1. A removable P-trap with slip- or ground-joint connections can serve as a cleanout for drain piping that is one size larger than the P-trap size.
2. Cleanouts located on stacks can be one size smaller than the stack size.

3. The size of cleanouts for cast-iron piping can be in accordance with the referenced standards for cast iron fittings as indicated in Table P3002.3.

P3005.2.6 Cleanout plugs. Cleanout plugs shall be copper alloy, plastic or other *approved* materials. Cleanout plugs for borosilicate glass piping systems shall be of borosilicate glass. Copper-alloy cleanout plugs shall conform to ASTM A74 and shall be limited for use only on metallic piping systems. Plastic cleanout plugs shall conform to the referenced standards for plastic pipe fittings as indicated in Table P3002.3. Cleanout plugs shall have a raised square head, a countersunk square head or a countersunk slot head. Where a cleanout plug will have a trim cover screw installed into the plug, the plug shall be manufactured with a blind end threaded hole for such purpose.

P3005.2.7 Manholes. Manholes and manhole covers shall be of an approved type. Manholes located inside of a building shall have gas-tight covers that require tools for removal.

P3005.2.8 Installation arrangement. The installation arrangement of a cleanout shall enable cleaning of drainage piping only in the direction of drainage flow.

Exceptions:

- Test tees serving as cleanouts.
 - A two-way cleanout installation that is *approved* for meeting the requirements of Section P3005.2.3.
 - i.
 - ii.

P3005.2.9 Required clearance. Cleanouts for 150 mm (6-inch) and smaller piping shall be provided with a clearance of not less than 455 mm (18 inches) from, and perpendicular to, the face of the opening to any obstruction. Cleanouts for 205 mm (8-inch) and larger piping shall be provided with a clearance of not less than 915 mm (36 inches) from, and perpendicular to, the face of the opening to any obstruction.

P3005.2.10 Cleanout access. Required cleanouts shall not be installed in concealed locations. For the purposes of this section, concealed locations include, but are not limited to, the inside of plenums, within walls, within floor/ceiling assemblies, below grade and in crawl spaces where the height from the crawl space floor to the nearest obstruction along the path from the crawl space opening to the cleanout location is less than 610 mm (24 inches). Cleanouts with openings at a finished wall shall have the face of the opening located within 38 mm (1½ inches) (38 mm) of the finished wall surface. Cleanouts located below grade shall be extended to grade level so that the top of the cleanout plug is at or above grade. A cleanout installed in a floor or walkway that will not have a trim cover installed shall have a counter-sunk plug installed so the top surface of the plug is flush with the finished surface of the floor or walkway.

P3005.2.10.1 Cleanout plug trim covers. Trim covers and access doors for cleanout plugs shall be designed for such purposes. Trim cover fasteners that thread into cleanout plugs shall be corrosion resistant. Cleanout plugs shall not be covered with mortar, plaster or any other permanent material.

P3005.2.10.2 Floor cleanout assemblies. Where it is necessary to protect a cleanout plug from the loads of vehicular traffic, cleanout assemblies in accordance with ASME A112.36.2M shall be installed.

P3005.2.11 Prohibited use. The use of a threaded cleanout opening to add a fixture or extend piping shall be prohibited except where another cleanout of equal size is installed with the required access and clearance.

P3005.3 Horizontal drainage piping slope. Horizontal drainage piping shall be installed in uniform alignment at uniform slopes not less than ¼ unit vertical in 12 units horizontal (2-percent slope) for 64 mm (2½ inch) diameter and less, and not less than ⅛ unit vertical in 12 units horizontal (1-percent slope) for diameters of 76 mm (3 inches) or more.

P3005.4 Drain pipe sizing. Drain pipes shall be sized according to drainage fixture unit (d.f.u.) loads. The size of the drainage piping shall not be reduced in size in the direction of flow. The following general procedure is permitted to be used:

Draw an isometric layout or riser diagram denoting fixtures on the layout.

Assign d.f.u. values to each fixture group plus individual fixtures using Table P3004.1.

Starting with the top floor or most remote fixtures, work downstream toward the *building drain* accumulating d.f.u. values for fixture groups plus individual fixtures for each branch. Where multiple bath groups are being added, use the reduced d.f.u. values in Table P3004.1, which take into account probability factors of simultaneous use.

Size branches and stacks by equating the assigned d.f.u. values to pipe sizes shown in Table P3005.4.1.

Determine the pipe diameter and slope of the *building drain* and *building sewer* based on the accumulated values, using Table P3005.4.2.

P3005.4.1 Branch and stack sizing. Branches and stacks shall be sized in accordance with Table P3005.4.1. Below grade drain pipes shall be not less than 38 mm (1½ inches) in diameter. Drain stacks shall be not smaller than the largest horizontal branch connected.

Exceptions:

1. A 100 mm by 76 mm (4-inch by 3-inch) closet bend or flange.
2. A 100 mm (4-inch) closet bend connected to a 76 mm (3-inch) stack tee shall not be prohibited.

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**TABLE P3005.4.1
MAXIMUM FIXTURE UNITS ALLOWED TO BE
CONNECTED TO BRANCHES AND STACKS**

NOMINAL PIPE SIZE (Millimetres)	ANY HORIZONTAL FIXTURE BRANCH	ANY ONE VERTICAL STACK OR DRAIN
32 ^{a, b}	—	—
38 ^b	3	4
51 ^b	6	10
64 ^b	12	20
76	20	48
100	160	240

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch.

- a) 32 mm pipe size limited to a single-fixture drain. See Table P3201.7.
- b) Water closets prohibited.

P3005.4.2 Building drain and sewer size and slope. Pipe sizes and slope shall be determined from Table P3005.4.2 on the basis of drainage load in fixture units (d.f.u.) computed from Table P3004.1.

**TABLE P3005.4.2
MAXIMUM NUMBER OF FIXTURE UNITS ALLOWED
TO BE CONNECTED TO THE BUILDING DRAIN,
BUILDING DRAIN BRANCHES OR THE BUILDING SEWER**

DIAMETER OF PIPE (Millimetres)	SLOPE PER METRE		
	10.5 mm	21 mm	42 mm
38 ^{a, b}	—	Note a	Note a
51 ^b	—	21	27
64 ^b	—	24	31
76	36	42	50
100	180	216	250

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot.

- a) 38 mm (1½-inch) pipe size limited to a building drain branch serving not more than two waste fixtures, or not more than one waste fixture if serving a pumped discharge fixture or food waste disposer discharge.
- b) No water closets.

P3005.5 Connections to offsets and bases of stacks. Horizontal branches shall connect to the bases of stacks at a point located not less than 10 times the diameter of the drainage stack downstream from the stack. Horizontal branches shall connect to horizontal stack offsets at a point located not less than 10 times the diameter of the drainage stack downstream from the upper stack.

**SECTION P3006
SIZING OF DRAIN PIPE OFFSETS**

P3006.1 Vertical offsets. An offset in a vertical drain, with a change of direction of 45 degrees (0.79 rad) or less from the vertical, shall be sized as a straight vertical drain.

P3006.2 Horizontal offsets above the lowest branch. A stack with an offset of more than 45 degrees (0.79 rad) from the vertical shall be sized as follows:

- a) The portion of the stack above the offset shall be sized as for a regular stack based on the total number of fixture units above the offset.

- b. The offset shall be sized as for a *building drain* in accordance with Table P3005.4.2.
- c. The portion of the stack below the offset shall be sized as for the offset or based on the total number of fixture units on the entire stack, whichever is larger.

P3007.3.3.1 and P3007.3.3.2.

P3006.3 Horizontal offsets below the lowest branch. In soil or waste stacks below the lowest horizontal branch, a change in diameter shall not be required if the offset is made at an angle not greater than 45 degrees (0.79 rad) from the vertical. If an offset greater than 45 degrees (0.79 rad) from the vertical is made, the offset and stack below it shall be sized as a *building drain* in accordance with Table P3005.4.2.

SECTION P3007 SUMPS AND EJECTORS

P3007.1 Building subdrains. Building subdrains that cannot be discharged to the sewer by gravity flow shall be discharged into a tightly covered and vented sump from which the liquid shall be lifted and discharged into the building gravity drainage system by automatic pumping equipment or other *approved* method. In other than existing structures, the sump shall not receive drainage from any piping within the building capable of being discharged by gravity to the *building sewer*.

P3007.2 Valves required. A check valve and a full open valve located on the discharge side of the check valve shall be installed in the pump or ejector discharge piping between the pump or ejector and the gravity drainage system. Access shall be provided to such valves. Such valves shall be located above the sump cover required by Section P3007.3.2 or, where the discharge pipe from the ejector is below grade, the valves shall be accessibly located outside the sump below grade in an access pit with a removable access cover.

P3007.3 Sump design. The sump pump, sump and discharge piping shall conform to the requirements of Sections P3007.3.1 through P3007.3.5.

P3007.3.1 Sump pump. The sump pump capacity and head shall be appropriate to anticipated use requirements.

P3007.3.2 Sump. The sump shall be not less than 455 mm (18 inches) in diameter and 610 mm (24 inches) deep, unless otherwise *approved*. The sump shall be accessible and located so that drainage flows into the sump by gravity. The sump shall be constructed of tile, concrete, steel, plastic or other *approved* materials. The sump bottom shall be solid and provide permanent support for the pump. The sump shall be fitted with a gas-tight removable cover that is installed not more than 51 mm (2 inches) below grade or floor level. The cover shall be adequate to support anticipated loads in the area of use. The sump shall be vented in accordance with Chapter 31.

P3007.3.3 Discharge pipe and fittings. Discharge pipe and fittings serving sump pumps and ejectors shall be constructed of materials in accordance with Sections

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P3007.3.3.1 Materials. Pipe and fitting materials shall be constructed of copper alloy, copper, CPVC, ductile iron, PE, or PVC.

P3007.3.3.2 Ratings. Pipe and fittings shall be rated for the maximum system operating pressure and temperature. Pipe fitting materials shall be compatible with the pipe material. Where pipe and fittings are buried in the earth, they shall be suitable for burial.

P3007.3.4 Maximum effluent level. The effluent level control shall be adjusted and maintained to at all times prevent the effluent in the sump from rising to within 51 mm (2 inches) of the invert of the gravity drain inlet into the sump.

P3007.3.5 Ejector connection to the drainage system. Pumps connected to the drainage system shall connect to a *building sewer, building drain, soil stack, waste stack* or horizontal branch drain. Where the discharge line connects into horizontal drainage piping, the connection shall be made through a wye fitting into the top of the drainage piping and such wye fitting shall be located not less than 10 pipe diameters from the base of any soil stack, waste stack or fixture drain.

P3007.4 Sewage pumps and sewage ejectors. A sewage pump or sewage ejector shall automatically discharge the contents of the sump to the building drainage system.

P3007.5 Macerating toilet systems and pumped waste systems. Macerating toilet systems and pumped waste systems shall comply with ASME A112.3.4/CSA B45.9 and shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer’s instructions.

P3007.6 Capacity. Sewage pumps and sewage ejectors shall have the capacity and head for the application requirements. Pumps and ejectors that receive the discharge of water closets shall be capable of handling spherical solids with a diameter of up to and including 51 mm (2 inches). Other pumps or ejectors shall be capable of handling spherical solids with a diameter of up to and including 12.5 mm (1/2 inch). The mini-
 minimum capacity of a pump or ejector based on the diameter of the discharge pipe shall be in accordance with Table 3007.6.

Exceptions:

- i. Grinder pumps or grinder ejectors that receive the discharge of water closets shall have a discharge opening of not less than 32 mm (1 1/4 inches).
- ii. Macerating toilet assemblies that serve single water closets shall have a discharge opening of not less than 19 mm (3/4 inch).

DIAMETER OF THE DISCHARGE PIPE (mm)	CAPACITY OF PUMP OR EJECTOR (L/m)
51	79.485
64	113.55
76	174.11

For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm, 1 gallon per minute = 3.785 L/m.

**TABLE 3007.6
 MINIMUM CAPACITY OF SEWAGE PUMP OR SEWAGE EJECTOR**

DIAMETER OF THE DISCHARGE PIPE (inches)	CAPACITY OF PUMP OR EJECTOR (gpm)
2	21
2 1/2	30
3	46

**SECTION
P3008
BACKWATER
R VALVES**

P3008.1 Where required. Where the flood level rims of plumbing fixtures are below the elevation of the manhole cover of the next upstream manhole in the public sewer, the fixtures shall be protected by a backwater valve installed in the *building drain*, branch of the *building drain* or horizontal branch serving such fixtures.

P3008.2 Allowable installations. Where plumbing fixtures are installed on a floor with a finished floor elevation above the elevation of the manhole cover of the next upstream manhole in the public sewer, and a backwater valve is installed in the *building drain* or horizontal branch serving such fixtures, the backwater valve shall be of the normally open type.

Exception: Normally closed backwater valve installations for existing buildings shall not be prohibited.

P3008.3 Material. Backwater valves shall comply with ASME A112.14.1, CSA B181.1 or CSA B181.2.

P3008.4 Location. Backwater valves shall be installed so that access is provided to the working parts.

P3009.7 Sizing. The system shall be sized in accordance with the sum of the output of all water sources connected to the subsurface irrigation system. Where graywater collection piping is connected to subsurface landscape irrigation systems, graywater output shall be calculated according to the liters per day per occupant (gallons-per-day-per-occupant) number based on the type of fixtures connected. The gray-

**SECTION P3009
SUBSURFACE LANDSCAPE IRRIGATION SYSTEMS**

P3009.1 Scope. The provisions of this section shall govern the materials, design, construction and installation of subsurface landscape irrigation systems connected to nonpotable water from on-site water reuse systems.

P3009.2 Materials. Above-ground drain, waste and vent piping for subsurface landscape irrigation systems shall conform to one of the standards indicated in Table P3002.1(1). Subsurface landscape irrigation, underground building drainage and vent pipe shall conform to one of the standards indicated in Table P3002.1(2).

P3009.3 Tests. Drain, waste and vent piping for subsurface landscape irrigation systems shall be tested in accordance with Section P2503.

P3009.4 Inspections. Subsurface landscape irrigation systems shall be inspected in accordance with Section R109.

P3009.5 Disinfection. Disinfection shall not be required for on-site nonpotable reuse water for subsurface landscape irrigation systems.

P3009.6 Coloring. On-site nonpotable reuse water used for subsurface landscape irrigation systems shall not be required to be dyed.

water discharge shall be calculated by the following equation:

$$C = A \times B \quad \text{(Equation 30-1)}$$

where:

A = Number of occupants:

Number of occupants shall be determined by the actual number of occupants, but not less than two occupants for one bedroom and one occupant for each additional bedroom.

B = Estimated flow demands for each occupant:

94.6 L (25 gallons) per day per occupant for showers, bathtubs and lavatories and 57 L (15 gallons) per day per occupant for clothes washers or laundry trays.

C = Estimated graywater discharge based on the total number of occupants.

P3009.8 Percolation tests. The permeability of the soil in the proposed absorption system shall be determined by percolation tests or permeability evaluation.

P3009.8.1 Percolation tests and procedures. Not less than three percolation tests in each system area shall be conducted. The holes shall be spaced uniformly in relation to the bottom depth of the proposed absorption system. More percolation tests shall be made where necessary, depending on system design.

P3009.8.1.1 Percolation test hole. The test hole shall be dug or bored. The test hole shall have vertical sides and a horizontal dimension of 100 mm to 205 mm (4 inches to 8 inches). The bottom and sides of the hole shall be scratched with a sharp-pointed instrument to expose the natural soil. Loose material shall be removed from the hole and the bottom shall be covered with 51 mm (2 inches) of gravel or coarse sand.

P3009.8.1.2 Test procedure, sandy soils. The hole shall be filled with clear water to not less than 305 mm (12 inches) above the bottom of the hole for tests in sandy soils. The time for this amount of water to seep away shall be determined, and this procedure shall be repeated if the water from the second filling of the hole seeps away in 10 minutes or less. The test shall proceed as follows: Water shall be added to a point not more than 150 mm (6 inches) above the gravel or coarse sand. Thereupon, from a fixed reference point, water levels shall be measured at 10-minute intervals for a period of 1 hour. Where 150 mm (6 inches) of water seeps away in less than 10 minutes, a shorter interval between measurements shall be used. The water depth shall not exceed 150 mm (6 inches). Where 150 mm (6 inches) of water seeps away in less than 2 minutes, the test shall be stopped and a rate of less than 7.2 s/mm (3 minutes per inch) shall be reported. The final water level drop shall be used to calculate the percola-

tion rate. Soils not meeting these requirements shall be tested in accordance with Section P3009.8.1.3.

P3009.8.1.3 Test procedure, other soils. The hole shall be filled with clear water, and a minimum water depth of 305 mm (12 inches) shall be maintained above the bottom of the hole for a 4-hour period by refilling whenever necessary or by use of an automatic siphon. Water remaining in the hole after 4 hours shall not be removed. Thereafter, the soil shall be allowed to swell not less than 16 hours or more than 30 hours. Immediately after the soil swelling period, the measurements for determining the percolation rate shall be made as follows: any soil sloughed into the hole shall be removed and the water level shall be adjusted to 150 mm (6 inches) above the gravel or coarse sand. Thereupon, from a fixed reference point, the water level shall be measured at 30-minute intervals for a period of 4 hours, unless two successive water level drops do not vary by more than 1.6 mm (¹/₁₆ inch). Not

less than three water level drops shall be observed and recorded. The hole shall be filled with clear water to a point not more than 150 mm (6 inches) above the gravel or coarse sand whenever it becomes nearly empty. Adjustments of the water level shall not be made during the three measurement periods except to the limits of the last measured water level drop. When the first 6 inches (152 mm) of water seeps away in less than 30 minutes, the time interval between measurements shall be 10 minutes and the test run for 1 hour. The water depth shall not exceed 125 mm (5 inches) at any time during the measurement period. The drop that occurs during the final measurement period shall be used in calculating the percolation rate.

P3009.8.1.4 Mechanical test equipment. Mechanical percolation test equipment shall be of an *approved* type.

P3009.8.2 Permeability evaluation. Soil shall be evaluated for estimated percolation based on structure and texture in accordance with accepted soil evaluation practices. Borings shall be made in accordance with Section P3009.8.1.1 for evaluating the soil.

P3009.9 Subsurface landscape irrigation site location. The surface grade of soil absorption systems shall be located at a point lower than the surface grade of any water well or reservoir on the same or adjoining lot. Where this is not possible, the site shall be located so surface water drainage from the site is not directed toward a well or reservoir. The soil absorption system shall be located with a minimum horizontal distance between various elements as indicated in Table P3009.9. Private sewage disposal systems in compacted areas, such as parking lots and driveways, are prohibited. Surface water shall be diverted away from any soil absorption site on the same or neighboring lots.

**TABLE P3009.9
LOCATION OF SUBSURFACE IRRIGATION SYSTEM**

ELEMENT	MINIMUM HORIZONTAL DISTANCE	
	STORAGE TANK (feet)	IRRIGATION DISPOSAL FIELD (feet)
Buildings	5	2
Lot line adjoining private property	5	5
Water wells	50	100
Streams and lakes	50	50
Seepage pits	5	5
Septic tanks	0	5
Water service	5	5
Public water main	10	10

ELEMENT	MINIMUM HORIZONTAL DISTANCE	
	STORAGE TANK (Millimetres)	IRRIGATION DISPOSAL FIELD (Millimetres)
Buildings	1,525	2
Lot line adjoining private property	1,525	5
Water wells	15,250	100
Streams and lakes	15,250	50
Seepage pits	1,525	5
Septic tanks	0	5
Water service	1,525	5
Public water main	3,050	10

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.00328 foot.

P3009.10 Installation. Absorption systems shall be installed in accordance with Sections P3009.10.1 through P3009.11 to provide landscape irrigation without surfacing of water.

P3009.10.1 Absorption area. The total absorption area required shall be computed from the estimated daily graywater discharge and the design-loading rate based on the percolation rate for the site. The required absorption area equals the estimated graywater discharge divided by the design loading rate from Table P3009.10.1.

**TABLE P3009.10.1
DESIGN LOADING RATE**

PERCOLATION RATE (minutes per millimetres)	DESIGN LOADING FACTOR (Litres per square metre per day)
0 to less than 255	48.84
255 to less than 760	32.56
760 to less than 1,144	29.30

1,144 to 1,525	16.28
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For Inch Pound Units: 1 minute per mm = min/0.03937 inch,
1 Litre per square metre = 0.02457 gallon/ft².

P3009.10.2 Seepage trench excavations. Seepage trench excavations shall be not less than 305 mm (1 foot) in width and not greater than 1,525 mm (5 feet) in width. Trench excavations shall be spaced not less than 610 mm (2 feet) apart. The soil absorption area of a seepage trench shall be computed by using the bottom of the trench area (width) multiplied by the length of pipe. Individual seepage trenches shall be not greater than 30,500 mm (100 feet) in developed length.

P3009.10.3 Seepage bed excavations. Seepage bed excavations shall be not less than 1,525 mm (5 feet) in width and have more than one distribution pipe. The absorption area of a seepage bed shall be computed by using the bottom of the trench area. Distribution piping in a seepage bed shall be uniformly spaced not greater than 1,625 mm (5 feet) and not less than 915 mm (3 feet) apart, and greater than 915 mm (3 feet) and not less than 305 mm (1 foot) from the sidewall or headwall.

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P3009.10.4 Excavation and construction.

The bottom of a trench or bed excavation shall be level. Seepage trenches or beds shall not be excavated where the soil is so wet that such material rolled between the hands forms a soil wire. Smearred or compacted soil surfaces in the sidewalls or bottom of seepage trench or bed excavations shall be scarified to the depth of smearing or compaction and the loose material removed. Where rain falls on an open excavation, the soil shall be left until sufficiently dry so a soil wire will not form when soil from the excavation bottom is rolled between the hands. The bottom area shall then be scarified and loose material removed.

P3009.10.5 Aggregate and backfill. Not less than 150 mm (6 inches) in depth of aggregate ranging in size from 12.5 mm to 64 mm (1/2 to 2 1/2 inches) shall be laid into the trench below the distribution piping elevation. The aggregate shall be evenly distributed not less than 51 mm (2 inches) in depth over the top of the distribution pipe. The aggregate shall be covered with *approved* synthetic materials or 230 mm (9 inches) of uncompactd marsh hay or straw. Building paper shall not be used to cover the aggregate. Not less than 230 mm (9 inches) of soil backfill shall be provided above the covering.

P3009.11 Distribution piping. Distribution piping shall be not less than 76 mm (3 inches) in diameter. Materials shall comply with Table P3009.11. The top of the distribution pipe shall be not less than 205 mm (8 inches) below the original surface. The slope of the distribution pipes shall be not less than 51 mm (2 inches) and not greater than 100 mm (4 inches) per 30,500 mm (100 feet).

**TABLE P3009.11
DISTRIBUTION PIPE**

MATERIAL	STANDARD
Polyethylene (PE) plastic pipe	ASTM F405
Polyvinyl chloride (PVC) plastic pipe	ASTM D2729
Polyvinyl chloride (PVC) plastic pipe with a 89 mm O.D. and solid cellular core or composite wall	ASTM F1488

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch.

P3009.11.1 Joints. Joints in distribution pipe shall be made in accordance with Section P3003 of this code.

DRAINS BY PIPE BURSTING METHODS

P3010.1 General. This section shall govern the replacement of existing *building sewer* and *building drain* piping by pipe-bursting methods.

P3010.2 Applicability. The replacement of building sewer and *building drain* piping by pipe bursting methods shall be limited to gravity drainage piping of sizes 150 mm (6 inches) and smaller. The replacement piping shall be of the same nominal size as the existing piping.

**SECTION P3010
REPLACEMENT OF
UNDERGROUND
BUILDING SEWERS AND BUILDING**

P3010.3 Preinstallation inspection. The existing piping sections to be replaced shall be inspected internally by a recorded video camera survey. The survey shall include notations of the position of cleanouts and the depth of connections to the existing piping.

P3010.4 Pipe. The replacement pipe shall be made of a high-density polyethylene (HDPE) and shall be in compliance with ASTM F714.

P3010.5 Pipe fittings. Pipe fittings to be connected to the replacement pipe shall be made of high-density polyethylene (HDPE) and shall be in compliance with ASTM D2683.

P3010.6 Cleanouts. Where the existing *building sewer* or *building drain* did not have cleanouts meeting the requirements of this code, cleanout fittings shall be installed as required by this code.

P3010.7 Post-installation inspection. The completed replacement piping section shall be inspected internally by a recorded video camera survey. The video survey shall be reviewed and *approved* by the *building official* prior to pressure testing of the replacement piping system.

P3010.8 Pressure testing. The replacement piping system and the connections to the replacement piping shall be tested in accordance with Section P2503.4.

P3011.8 Pressure testing. The replacement piping system as well as the connections to the replacement piping shall be tested in accordance with Section P2503.4.

SECTION P3011

REPLACEMENT OF UNDERGROUND SEWERS BY PVC FOLD AND FORM METHODS

P3011.1 General. This section shall govern the replacement of existing *building sewer* piping by PVC fold and form methods.

P3011.2 Applicability. The replacement of *building sewer* piping by PVC fold and form methods shall be limited to gravity drainage piping 100 mm (4 inches) to 455 mm (18 inches). The replacement piping shall be of the same nominal size as the existing piping.

P3011.3 Preinstallation inspection. The existing piping sections to be replaced shall be inspected internally by a recorded video camera survey. The survey shall include notations of the position of cleanouts and the depth of connections to the existing piping.

P3011.4 Pipe. The replacement piping shall be manufactured in compliance with ASTM F1504 or ASTM F1871.

P3011.5 Installation. The piping sections to be replaced shall be cleaned and flushed. Remediation shall be performed where there is groundwater infiltration, roots, collapsed pipe, dropped joints, offsets more than 12 percent of the inside pipe diameter or other obstructions.

P3011.6 Cleanouts. Where the existing *building sewer* did not have cleanouts meeting the requirements of this code, cleanout fittings shall be installed as required by this code.

P3011.7 Post-installation inspection. The completed replacement piping shall be inspected internally by a recorded video camera survey. The video survey shall be reviewed and *approved* by the *building official* prior to pressure testing of the replacement piping system.

CHAPTER 31

VENTS

User notes:

About this chapter: Chapter 31 regulates connection locations, various venting system arrangements and the sizing of piping for vent systems. The proper operation of a gravity flow drainage system (Chapter 30) depends on maintaining an air path throughout the system to prevent waste and odor "blow back" into fixtures and siphoning of the trap seal in fixture traps (Chapter 32).

SECTION P3101 VENT SYSTEMS

P3101.1 General. This chapter shall govern the selection and installation of piping, tubing and fittings for vent systems. This chapter shall control the minimum diameter of vent pipes, circuit vents, branch vents and individual vents, and the size and length of vents and various aspects of vent stacks and stack vents. Additionally, this chapter regulates vent grades and connections, height above fixtures and relief vents for stacks and fixture traps, and the venting of sumps and sewers.

P3101.2 Trap seal protection. The plumbing system shall be provided with a system of vent piping that will allow the admission or emission of air so that the liquid seal of any fixture trap shall not be subjected to a pressure differential of more than 249 Pa (1 inch of water column).

P3101.2.1 Venting required. Every trap and trapped fixture shall be vented in accordance with one of the venting methods specified in this chapter.

P3101.3 Use limitations. The plumbing vent system shall not be used for purposes other than the venting of the plumbing system.

P3101.4 Extension outside a structure. Not applicable.

P3101.5 Flood resistance. In flood hazard areas as established by Table R301.2(1), vents shall be located at or above the elevation required in Section R322.1 (flood hazard areas including A Zones) or R322.2 (coastal high-hazard areas including V Zones).

SECTION P3102 VENT STACKS AND STACK VENTS

P3102.1 Required vent extension. The vent system serving each building drain shall have not less than one vent pipe that extends to the outdoors.

P3102.2 Installation. The required vent shall be a dry vent that connects to the building drain or an extension of a drain

that connects to the building drain. Such vent shall not be an island fixture vent as permitted by Section P3112.

P3102.3 Size. The required vent shall be sized in accordance with Section P3113.1 based on the required size of the building drain.

SECTION P3103 VENT TERMINALS

P3103.1 Vent pipes terminating outdoors. Vent pipes terminating outdoors shall be extended to the outdoors through the roof or a sidewall of the building in accordance with one of the methods identified in Sections P3103.1.1 through P3103.1.4.

P3103.1.1 Roof extension. Open vent pipes that extend through a roof that do not meet the conditions of Section P3103.1.2 or P3103.1.3 shall terminate not less than 305 mm (12 inches) above the roof.

P3103.1.2 Roof used for recreational purposes. Where a roof is to be used for assembly, as a promenade, observation deck or sunbathing deck, or for similar purposes, open vent pipes shall terminate not less than 2,150 mm (7 feet) above the roof.

P3103.1.3 Roof extension covered. Where an open vent pipe terminates above a sloped roof and is covered by either a roof-mounted panel (such as a solar collector or photovoltaic panel mounted over the vent opening) or a roof element (such as an architectural feature or a decorative shroud), the vent pipe shall terminate not less than 51 mm (2 inches) above the roof surface. Such roof elements shall be designed to prevent the adverse effects of snow accumulation and wind on the function of the vent. The placement of a panel over a vent pipe and the design of a roof element covering the vent pipe shall provide for an open area for the vent pipe to the outdoors that is not less than the area of the pipe, as calculated from the inside diameter of the pipe. Such vent terminals shall be protected by a method that prevents birds and rodents from entering or blocking the vent pipe opening.

P3103.1.4 Sidewall vent terminal. Vent terminals extending through the wall shall terminate not less than 3,050 mm (10 feet) from a lot line and not less than 3,050 mm (10 feet) above the highest grade elevation within 3,050 mm (10 feet) in any direction horizontally of the vent terminal. Vent pipes shall not terminate under the overhang of a structure where the overhang includes soffit vents. Such vent terminals shall be protected by a method that prevents birds and rodents from entering or blocking the vent

pipe opening and that does not reduce the open area of the vent pipe.

P3103.2 Frost closure. Not applicable.

P3103.3 Flashings and sealing. The juncture of each vent pipe with the roof line shall be made watertight by an *approved* flashing. Vent extensions in walls and soffits shall be made weather tight by caulking.

P3103.4 Prohibited use. A vent terminal shall not be used for any purpose other than a vent terminal.

P3103.5 Location of vent terminal. An open vent terminal from a drainage system shall not be located less than 1,220 mm (4 feet) directly beneath any door, openable window, or other air intake opening of the building or of an adjacent building, nor shall any such vent terminal be within 3,050 mm (10 feet) horizontally of such an opening unless it is not less than 915 mm (3 feet) above the top of such opening.

**SECTION P3104
VENT CONNECTIONS AND GRADES**

P3104.1 Connection. Individual branch and circuit vents shall connect to a vent stack, stack vent or extend to the open air.

Exception: Individual, branch and circuit vents shall be permitted to terminate at an *air admittance valve* in accordance with Section P3114.

P3104.2 Grade. Vent and branch vent pipes shall be graded, connected and supported to allow moisture and condensate to drain back to the soil or waste pipe by gravity.

P3104.3 Vent connection to drainage system. A dry vent connecting to a horizontal drain shall connect above the centerline of the horizontal drain pipe.

P3104.4 Vertical rise of vent. A dry vent shall rise vertically to not less than 150 mm (6 inches) above the flood level rim of the highest trap or trapped fixture being vented.

P3104.5 Height above fixtures. A connection between a vent pipe and a vent stack or stack vent shall be made not less than 150 mm (6 inches) above the flood level rim of the highest fixture served by the vent. Horizontal vent pipes forming branch vents shall be not less than 150 mm (6 inches)

above the flood level rim of the highest fixture served.

P3104.6 Vent for future fixtures. Where the drainage piping has been roughed-in for future fixtures, a rough-in connection for a vent, not less than one-half the diameter of the drain, shall be installed. The vent rough-in shall connect to the vent system or shall be vented by other means as provided in this

chapter. The connection shall be identified to indicate that the connection is a vent.

**SECTION P3105 FIXTURE
VENTS**

P3105.1 Distance of trap from vent. Each fixture weir to the vent fitting are within the limits indicated in Table P3105.1. trap shall have a protecting vent located so that the slope and the *developed length* in the *fixture drain* from the trap

Exception: The *developed length* of the *fixture drain* from the trap weir to the vent fitting for self-siphoning fixtures, such as water closets, shall not be limited.

**TABLE P3105.1
MAXIMUM DISTANCE OF FIXTURE TRAP FROM VENT**

SIZE OF TRAP (millimetres)	SLOPE (millimetre per metre)	DISTANCE FROM TRAP (millimetres)
32	20.83	1,525
38	20.83	1,830
51	20.83	2,450
76	10.415	3,650
100	10.415	4,877

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 mm/m = 0.012 inch/ft.

P3105.2 Fixture drains. The total fall in a *fixture drain* resulting from pipe slope shall not exceed one pipe diameter, nor shall the vent pipe connection to a *fixture drain*, except for water closets, be below the weir of the trap.

P3105.3 Crown vent prohibited. A vent shall not be installed within two pipe diameters of the trap weir.

**SECTION P3106 INDIVIDUAL
VENT**

P3106.1 Individual vent permitted. Each trap and trapped fixture shall be permitted to be provided with an individual vent. The individual vent shall connect to the *fixture drain* of the trap or trapped fixture being vented.

**SECTION P3107 COMMON
VENT**

P3107.1 Individual vent as common vent. An individual vent shall be permitted to vent two traps or trapped fixtures as a common vent. The traps or trapped fixtures being common vented shall be located on the same floor level.

P3107.2 Connection at the same level. Where the *fixture drains* being common vented connect at the same level, the vent connection shall be at the interconnection of the *fixture drains* or downstream of the interconnection.

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P3107.3 Connection at different levels. Where the *fixture drains* connect at different levels, the vent shall connect as a vertical extension of the vertical drain. The vertical drain pipe connecting the two *fixture drains* shall be considered to be the vent for the lower *fixture drain*, and shall be sized in accordance with Table P3107.3. The upper fixture shall not be a water closet.

**TABLE P3107.3
COMMON VENT SIZES**

PIPE SIZE (millimetres)	MAXIMUM DISCHARGE FROM UPPER FIXTURE DRAIN (d.f.u.)
38	1
51	4
64 to 76	6

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch.

**SECTION P3108
WET VENTING**

P3108.1 Horizontal wet vent permitted. Any combination of fixtures within two *bathroom groups* located on the same floor level shall be permitted to be vented by a horizontal wet vent. The wet vent shall be considered to be the vent for the fixtures and shall extend from the connection of the dry vent along the direction of the flow in the drain pipe to the most downstream *fixture drain* connection. Each *fixture drain* shall connect horizontally to the horizontal branch being wet vented or shall have a dry vent. Each wet-vented *fixture drain* shall connect independently to the horizontal wet vent. Only the fixtures within the *bathroom groups* shall connect to the wet-vented horizontal branch drain. Any additional fixtures shall discharge downstream of the horizontal wet vent.

P3108.2 Dry vent connection. The required dry-vent connection for wet-vented systems shall comply with Sections P3108.2.1 and P3108.2.2.

P3108.2.1 Horizontal wet vent. The dry-vent connection for a horizontal wet-vent system shall be an individual vent or a common vent for any *bathroom group* fixture, except an emergency floor drain. Where the dry vent connects to a water closet *fixture drain*, the drain shall connect horizontally to the horizontal wet-vent system. Not more than one wet-vented *fixture drain* shall discharge upstream of the dry-vented *fixture drain* connection.

P3108.2.2 Vertical wet vent. The dry-vent connection for a vertical wet-vent system shall be an individual vent or common vent for the most upstream *fixture drain*.

P3108.3 Size. Horizontal and vertical wet vents shall be not less than the size as specified in Table P3108.3, based on the fixture unit discharge to the wet vent. The dry vent serving the wet vent shall be sized based on the largest required diameter of pipe within the wet-vent system served by the dry vent.

**TABLE P3108.3
WET VENT SIZE**

WET VENT PIPE SIZE (millimetres)	FIXTURE UNIT LOAD (d.f.u.)
38	1
51	4
64	6
76	12
100	32

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch.

P3108.4 Vertical wet vent permitted. A combination of fixtures located on the same floor level shall be permitted to be vented by a vertical wet vent. The vertical wet vent shall be considered to be the vent for the fixtures and shall extend from the connection of the dry vent down to the lowest *fixture drain* connection. Each wet-vented fixture shall connect independently to the vertical wet vent. All water closet drains shall connect at the same elevation. Other *fixture drains* shall connect above or at the same elevation as the water closet *fixture drains*. The dry-vent connection to the vertical wet vent shall be an individual or common vent serving one or two fixtures.

P3108.5 Trap weir to wet-vent distances. The maximum *developed length* of wet-vented *fixture drains* shall comply with Table P3105.1.

**SECTION P3109
WASTE STACK VENT**

P3109.1 Waste stack vent permitted. A waste stack shall be considered to be a vent for all of the fixtures discharging to the stack where installed in accordance with the requirements of this section.

P3109.2 Stack installation. The waste stack shall be vertical, and both horizontal and vertical offsets shall be prohibited between the lowest *fixture drain* connection and the highest *fixture drain* connection to the stack. Every *fixture drain* shall connect separately to the waste stack. The stack shall not receive the discharge of water closets or urinals.

P3109.3 Stack vent. A stack vent shall be installed for the waste stack. The size of the stack vent shall be not less than the size of the waste stack. Offsets shall be permitted in the stack vent and shall be located not less than 150 mm (6 inches) above the flood level of the highest fixture, and shall be in accordance with Section P3104.5. The stack vent shall be permitted to connect with other stack vents and vent stacks in accordance with Section P3113.3.

P3109.4 Waste stack size. The waste stack shall be sized based on the total discharge to the stack and the discharge within a *branch interval* in accordance with Table P3109.4. The waste stack shall be the same size throughout the length of the waste stack.

**TABLE P3109.4
WASTE STACK VENT SIZE**

STACK SIZE (millimetres)	MAXIMUM NUMBER OF FIXTURE UNITS (d.f.u.)	
	Total discharge into one branch interval	Total discharge for stack
38	1	2
51	2	4
64	No limit	8
76	No limit	24
100	No limit	50

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch.

**SECTION P3110
CIRCUIT VENTING**

P3110.1 Circuit vent permitted. Not greater than eight fixtures connected to a horizontal branch drain shall be permitted to be circuit vented. Each *fixture drain* shall connect horizontally to the horizontal branch being circuit vented. The horizontal branch drain shall be classified as a vent from the most downstream *fixture drain* connection to the most upstream *fixture drain* connection to the horizontal branch.

P3110.2 Vent connection. The circuit vent connection shall be located between the two most upstream *fixture drains*. The vent shall connect to the horizontal branch and shall be installed in accordance with Section P3104. The circuit vent pipe shall not receive the discharge of any soil or waste.

P3110.3 Slope and size of horizontal branch. The slope of the vent section of the horizontal branch drain shall be not greater than one unit vertical in 12 units horizontal (8-percent slope). The entire length of the vent section of the horizontal branch drain shall be sized for the total drainage discharge to the branch in accordance with Table P3005.4.1.

P3110.4 Additional fixtures. Fixtures, other than circuit-vented fixtures, shall be permitted to discharge to the horizontal branch drain. Such fixtures shall be located on the same floor as the circuit-vented fixtures and shall be either individually or common vented.

**SECTION P3111
COMBINATION WASTE AND VENT SYSTEM**

P3111.1 Type of fixtures. A combination waste and vent system shall only serve floor drains, sinks, lavatories and drinking fountains. A combination waste and vent system shall be considered to be the vent for those fixtures. The *developed length* of a *fixture drain* to the combination waste and vent system piping shall not exceed the limitations of Table P3105.1.

P3111.1.1 Single-fixture systems. A horizontal fixture drain shall be considered to be a combination waste and vent system provided that the fixture drain size complies with Table P3111.3.

P3111.2 Installation. The only vertical pipe of a combination waste and vent system shall be the connection between a *fixture drain* and a horizontal combination waste and vent pipe. The length of the vertical pipe shall be not greater than 2,450 mm (8 feet).

P3111.2.1 Slope. The slope of horizontal combination waste and vent piping shall be not greater than 1/2 unit vertical in 12 units horizontal (4-percent slope) and shall be not less than that indicated in Section P3005.2.

P3111.2.2 Vent connection. A combination waste and vent system shall be provided with a dry vent connected at any point within the system, or the system shall connect to a horizontal drain or *building drain* that serves vented fixtures located on the same floor. Combination waste and vent systems connecting to *building drains* receiving only

the discharge from one or more stacks shall be provided with a dry vent. The dry vent connected to the combination waste and vent pipe shall extend vertically to a point not less than 150 mm (6 inches) above the flood level rim of the highest fixture being vented by the combination waste and vent system before horizontal offsets in the dry vent piping are allowed.

P3111.2.3 Vent size. The dry vent connected to the combination waste and vent system shall be sized for the total drainage fixture unit load in accordance with Section P3111.1.

P3111.3 Size and length. The size of a combination drain and vent piping shall be not less than that specified in Table P3111.3. The horizontal length of a combination drain and vent system shall be unlimited.

**TABLE P3111.3
SIZE OF COMBINATION WASTE AND VENT PIPE**

DIAMETER PIPE (millimeters)	MAXIMUM NUMBER OF FIXTURE UNITS (d.f.u.)	
	Connecting to a horizontal branch or stack	Connecting to a building drain or building subdrain
51	3	4
64	6	26
76	12	31
100	20	50

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch.

**SECTION P3112
ISLAND FIXTURE VENTING**

P3112.1 Limitation. Island fixture venting shall not be permitted for fixtures other than sinks and lavatories. Kitchen sinks with a dishwasher waste connection, a food waste disposer, or both, in combination with the kitchen sink waste, shall be permitted to be vented in accordance with this section.

P3112.2 Vent connection. The island fixture vent shall connect to the *fixture drain* as required for an individual or common vent. The vent shall rise vertically to above the drainage outlet of the fixture being vented before offsetting horizontally or vertically downward. The vent or branch vent for multiple island fixture vents shall extend not less than 150 mm (6 inches) above the highest island fixture being vented before connecting to the outside vent terminal.

P3112.3 Vent installation below the fixture flood level rim. The vent located below the flood level rim of the fixture being vented shall be installed as required for drainage piping in accordance with Chapter 30, except for sizing. The vent shall be sized in accordance with Section P3113.1. The lowest point of the island fixture vent shall connect full size to the drainage system. The connection shall be to a vertical drain pipe or to the top half of a horizontal drain pipe. Cleanouts shall be provided in the island fixture vent to permit rodding of all vent piping located below the flood level rim of the fixtures. Rodding in both directions shall be permitted through a cleanout.

**SECTION P3113
VENT PIPE SIZING**

P3113.1 Size of vents. The required diameter of individual vents, branch vents, circuit vents, vent stacks and stack vents shall be not less than one-half the required diameter of the drain served. The required size of the drain shall be determined in accordance with Chapter 30. Vent pipes shall be not less than 32 mm (1¹/₄ inches) in diameter. Vents exceeding 12,200 mm (40 Feet) in *developed length* shall be increased by one nominal pipe size for the entire *developed length* of the vent pipe.

P3113.2 Developed length. The *developed length* of individual, branch and circuit vents shall be measured from the farthest point of vent connection to the drainage system, to the point of connection to the vent stack, stack vent or termination outside of the building.

P3113.3 Branch vents. Where branch vents are connected to a common branch vent, the common branch vent shall be sized in accordance with this section, based on the size of the common horizontal drainage branch that is or would be required to serve the total drainage fixture unit (d.f.u.) load being vented.

P3113.4 Sump vents. Sump vent sizes shall be determined in accordance with Sections P3113.4.1 and P3113.4.2.

P3113.4.1 Sewage pumps and sewage ejectors other than pneumatic. Drainage piping below sewer level shall be vented in the same manner as that of a gravity system. Building sump vent sizes for sumps with sewage pumps or sewage ejectors, other than pneumatic, shall be determined in accordance with Table P3113.4.1.

P3113.4.2 Pneumatic sewage ejectors. The air pressure relief pipe from a pneumatic sewage ejector shall be connected to an independent vent stack terminating as required for vent extensions through the roof. The relief pipe shall be sized to relieve air pressure inside the ejector to atmospheric pressure, but shall be not less than 32 mm (1¹/₄ inches) in size.

**SECTION P3114
AIR ADMITTANCE VALVES**

P3114.1 General. Vent systems using *air admittance valves* shall comply with this section. Individual and branch-type air admittance valves shall conform to ASSE 1051. Stack-type air admittance valves shall conform to ASSE 1050.

P3114.2 Installation. The valves shall be installed in accordance with the requirements of this section and the manufacturer's instructions. *Air admittance valves* shall be installed after the DWV testing required by Section P2503.5.1 or P2503.5.2 has been performed.

P3114.3 Where permitted. Individual vents, branch vents, circuit vents and stack vents shall be permitted to terminate with a connection to an *air admittance valve*. Individual and branch-type air admittance valves shall vent only fixtures that are on the same floor level and connect to a horizontal branch drain.

P3114.4 Location. Individual and branch *air admittance valves* shall be located not less than 100 mm (4 inches) above the horizontal branch drain or *fixture drain* being vented. Stack-type air admittance valves shall be located not less than 150 mm (6 inches) above the flood level rim of the highest fixture being vented. The *air admittance valve* shall be located within the maximum *developed length* permitted for the vent. The *air admittance valve* shall be installed not less than 150 mm (6 inches) above insulation materials where installed in *attics*.

P3114.5 Access and ventilation. Access shall be provided to *air admittance valves*. Such valves shall be installed in a location that allows air to enter the valve.

P3114.6 Size. The *air admittance valve* shall be rated for the size of the vent to which the valve is connected.

P3114.7 Vent required. Within each plumbing system, not less than one stack vent or a vent stack shall extend outdoors to the open air.

P3114.8 Prohibited installations. *Air admittance valves* shall not be used to vent sumps or tanks except where the vent system for the sump or tank has been designed by a *registered building professional engineer*. *Air admittance valves* shall not be installed on out- door vent terminals for the sole purpose of reducing clearances to gravity or mechanical air intakes.

**TABLE P3113.4.1
SIZE AND LENGTH OF SUMP VENTS**

DISCHARGE CAPACITY OF PUMP (Lpm)	MAXIMUM DEVELOPED LENGTH OF VENT (millimetres) ^a				
	Diameter of vent (millimetres)				
	32	38	51	54	76
38	No limit ^b	No limit	No limit	No limit	No limit
76	82,296	No limit	No limit	No limit	No limit
152	21,946	48,768	No limit	No limit	No limit
228	9,449	22,86075	82,296	No limit	No limit

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 L/m = 0.2642 gpm.

- Developed length plus an appropriate allowance for entrance losses and friction caused by fittings, changes in direction and diameter. Suggested allowances shall be obtained from NBS Monograph 31 or other approved sources. An allowance of 50 percent of the developed length shall be assumed if a more precise value is not available.
- Actual values greater than 152,400 mm.

CHAPTER 32

TRAPS

User notes:

About this chapter: Chapter 32 regulates the design of fixture traps, methods for preventing evaporation of trap seals in traps, and the required locations for interceptors and separators. The trap seal of a trap is an essential feature of a drainage system to prevent odors from the drainage piping from entering the building. The discharge of various processes such as cooking and laundry create the need for equipment to retain detrimental greases and solids from entering the drainage systems.

SECTION P3201 FIXTURE TRAPS

P3201.1 Design of traps. Traps shall be of standard design, shall have smooth uniform internal waterways, shall be self-cleaning and shall not have interior partitions except where integral with the fixture. Traps shall be constructed of cast iron, copper or copper alloy or *approved* plastic. Copper or copper-alloy traps shall be not less than 0.8 mm (No. 20 gage) thickness. Solid connections, slip joints and couplings shall be permitted to be used on the trap inlet, trap outlet, or within the trap seal. Traps having slip-joint connections shall comply with Section P2704.1.

P3201.2 Trap seals. Each fixture trap shall have a liquid seal of not less than 51 mm (2 inches) and not more than 100 mm (4 inches).

P3201.2.1 Trap seal protection. Traps seals of emergency floor drain traps and traps subject to evaporation shall be protected by one of the methods in Sections P3201.2.1.1 through P3201.2.1.4.

P3201.2.1.1 Potable water-supplied trap seal primer valve. A potable water-supplied trap seal primer valve shall supply water to the trap. Water-supplied trap seal primer valves shall conform to ASSE 1018. The discharge pipe from the trap seal primer valve shall connect to the trap above the trap seal on the inlet side of the trap.

P3201.2.1.2 Reclaimed or graywater-supplied trap seal primer valve. A reclaimed or graywater-supplied trap seal primer valve shall supply water to the trap. Water-supplied trap seal primer valves shall conform to ASSE 1018. The quality of reclaimed or graywater supplied to trap seal primer valves shall be in accordance with the requirements of the manufacturer of the trap seal primer valve. The discharge pipe from the trap seal primer valve shall connect to the trap above the trap seal on the inlet side of the trap.

P3201.2.1.3 Wastewater-supplied trap primer device. A wastewater-supplied trap primer device shall supply water to the trap. Wastewater-supplied trap primer devices shall conform to ASSE 1044. The discharge pipe from the trap seal primer device shall connect to the trap above the trap seal on the inlet side of the trap.

P3201.2.1.4 Barrier-type trap seal protection device.

A barrier-type trap seal protection device shall protect the floor drain trap seal from evaporation. Barrier-type floor drain trap seal protection devices shall conform to ASSE 1072. The devices shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

P3201.3 Trap setting and protection. Traps shall be set level with respect to their water seals. Trap seals shall be protected from siphonage, aspiration or back pressure by an *approved* system of venting (see Section P3101).

P3201.4 Building traps. Building traps shall be prohibited.

P3201.5 Prohibited trap designs. The following types of traps are prohibited:

1. Bell traps.

2. Separate fixture traps with interior partitions, except those lavatory traps made of plastic, stainless steel or other corrosion-resistant material.

3. "S" traps.

4. Drum traps.

5. Trap designs with moving parts.

P3201.6 Number of fixtures per trap. Each plumbing fixture shall be separately trapped by a water seal trap. The vertical distance from the fixture outlet to the trap weir shall not exceed 610 mm (24 inches) and the horizontal distance shall not exceed 760 mm (30 inches) measured from the centerline of the fixture outlet to the centerline of the inlet of the trap. The height of a clothes washer standpipe above a trap shall conform to Section P2706.1.2. Fixtures shall not be double trapped.

Exceptions:

a. Fixtures that have integral traps.

b. A single trap shall be permitted to serve two or three like fixtures limited to kitchen sinks, laundry tubs and lavatories. Such fixtures shall be adjacent to each other and located in the same room with a continuous waste arrangement. The trap shall be installed at the center fixture where three fixtures are installed. Common trapped fixture outlets shall be not more than 760 mm (30 inches) apart.

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- c. Connection of a laundry tray waste line into a standpipe for the automatic clothes-washer drain shall be permitted in accordance with Section P2706.1.2.1.

P3201.7 Size of fixture traps. Trap sizes for plumbing fixtures shall be as indicated in Table P3201.7. Where the tailpiece of a plumbing fixture is larger than that indicated in Table P3201.7, the trap size shall be the same nominal size as the fixture tailpiece. A trap shall not be larger than the drainage pipe into which the trap discharges.

**TABLE P3201.7
SIZE OF TRAPS FOR PLUMBING FIXTURES**

PLUMBING FIXTURE	TRAP SIZE MINIMUM (millimetres)
Bath tub (with or without shower head and/or whirlpool attachments)	38
Bidet	32
Clothes washer standpipe	51
Dishwasher (on separate trap)	38
Floor drain	51
Kitchen sink (one or two traps, with or without dishwasher and food waste disposer)	38
Laundry tub (one or more compartments)	38
Lavatory	32
Shower (based on the total flow rate through showerheads and bodysprays) Flow rate:	
21.6 Lpm and less	38
More than 21.6 Lpm up to 46.6 Lpm	51
More than 46.6 Lpm up to 97.7 Lpm	76
More than 97.7 Lpm up to 210.4 Lpm	100

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 Litre per minute = 0.2642 gpm.

CHAPTER 33

STORM DRAINAGE

User notes:

About this chapter: Chapter 33 regulates methods and systems that control storm water from a building, such as from subsoil drainage systems and rainfall on roof surfaces. Regulations for sumps and pumping systems for subsoil drainage systems are provided in this chapter.

SECTION P3301 GENERAL

P3301.1 Scope. The provisions of this chapter shall govern the materials, design, construction and installation of storm drainage.

SECTION P3302 SUBSOIL DRAINS

P3302.1 Subsoil drains. Subsoil drains shall be open-jointed, horizontally split or perforated pipe conforming to one of the standards indicated in Table P3302.1. Such drains shall be not less than 100 mm (4 inches) in diameter. Where the building is subject to backwater, the subsoil drain shall be protected by an accessibly located backwater valve. Subsoil drains shall discharge to a trapped area drain, sump, dry well or *approved* location above ground. The subsoil sump shall not be required to have either a gas-tight cover or a vent. The sump and pumping system shall comply with Section P3303.

SECTION P3303 SUMPS AND PUMPING SYSTEMS

P3303.1 Pumping system. The sump pump, sump and discharge piping shall conform to Sections P3303.1.1 through P3303.1.4.

P3303.1.1 Pump capacity and head. The sump pump shall be of a capacity and head appropriate to anticipated use requirements.

P3303.1.2 Sump pit. The sump shall be not less than 455 mm (18 inches) in diameter and 610 mm (24 inches) deep, unless otherwise *approved*. The sump shall be *accessible* and located so that all drainage flows into the sump by gravity. The sump shall be constructed of tile, steel, plastic, cast iron, concrete or other *approved* material, with a removable cover adequate to support anticipated loads in the area of use. The sump floor shall be solid and provide permanent support for the pump.

P3303.1.3 Electrical. Electrical outlets shall meet the requirements of Chapters 34 through 43.

P3303.1.4 Piping. Discharge piping shall meet the requirements of Sections P3002.1, P3002.2, P3002.3 and P3003. Discharge piping shall include an *accessible* full flow check valve. Pipe and fittings shall be the same size as, or larger than, the pump discharge tapping.

**TABLE P3302.1
SUBSOIL DRAIN PIPE**

MATERIAL	STANDARD
Cast-iron pipe	ASTM A74; ASTM A888; CISPI 301
Polyethylene (PE) plastic pipe	ASTM F405; CSA B182.1; CSA B182.6; CSA B182.8
Polyvinyl chloride (PVC) plastic pipe (type sewer pipe, SDR 35, PS25, PS50 or PS100)	ASTM D2729; ASTM D3034; ASTM F891; CSA B182.2; CSA B182.4
Stainless steel drainage systems, Type 316L	ASME A112.3.1
Vitrified clay pipe	ASTM C4; ASTM C700

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ICC user note:

About this chapter: Chapter 34 contains broadly applicable requirements including provisions for the protection of the structural elements of a building, inspection of work, general installation and conductor identification. This chapter requires that all electrical system components be listed and labelled by the Bureau of Standards Jamaica (BSJ) or an agency recognized by the BSJ. The electrical provisions of this code are identical to the intent of the Jamaica Electrical Code (JEC) provisions except that this code requires all electrical system components be listed and labelled. The code does not contain unique electrical requirements. A dwelling built to this code will have electrical systems substantially identical to those required by the 2017 edition of the NEC on which the JEC is primarily based. This code addresses only those electrical systems that are common to dwelling construction, and is sufficient for the buildings to which it is applicable.

SECTION E3401 GENERAL

E3401.1 Applicability. The provisions of Chapters 34 through 43 shall establish the general scope of the electrical system and equipment requirements of this code. Chapters 34 through 43 cover those wiring methods and materials most commonly encountered in the construction of one- and two-family dwellings and the other structures regulated by this

code. Other wiring methods, materials and subject matter covered in the Jamaica Electrical Code are also allowed by this code. The Electrical Lighting Act of Jamaica allows building electrical systems to embrace both American and British (metric) standards for materials and wiring methods and therefore under this code both systems

shall be allowed as regulated by the Jamaica Electrical Code and the following rules:

1. All materials used shall satisfy the BSJ standard where it exists and where such BSJ standard does not exist, materials shall meet a standard recognized and accepted by the BSJ.
2. Material recognition and acceptance by the BSJ shall include product listing or certification or accreditation as well as satisfaction with rated voltage, current, frequency and safety.
3. AWG and metric conductors or cables shall not be mixed within the same building unless there can be undisputed and clear isolation of the room or building section in which one type conductors is used versus the rest of the building where the other type conductors is used.

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E3401.2 Scope. Chapters 34 through 43 shall cover the installation of electrical systems, equipment and components indoors and outdoors that are within the scope of this code, including services, power distribution systems, fixtures, appliances, devices and appurtenances. Services within the scope of this code shall be limited to 110/220-volt, 0- to 225-ampere, single-phase systems. These chapters specifically cover the equipment, fixtures, appliances, wiring methods and materials that are most commonly used in the construction or alteration of one- and two-family dwellings and accessory structures regulated by this code. The omission from these chapters of any material or method of construction pro-

vided for in the referenced standard the Jamaica Electrical Code shall not be construed as prohibiting the use of such material or method of construction. Electrical systems, equipment or components not specifically covered in these chapters shall comply with the applicable provisions of the Jamaica Electrical Code.

E3401.3 Not covered. Chapters 34 through 43 do not cover the following:

- a) Installations, including associated lighting, under the exclusive control of communications utilities and electric utilities.
 - b) Single phase 110/220 Volts services over 225 amperes.
3. Three phase 110/220 Volt services of all amperages.

E3401.4 Additions and alterations. Any addition or alteration to an existing electrical system shall be made in conformity to the provisions of Chapters 34 through 43 of this code. Where additions subject portions of existing systems to loads exceeding those permitted herein, such portions or the entire electrical system shall be made to comply with the Jamaica Electrical Code. All electrical systems to be designed to the JEC shall be done by an electrical *registered design building professional*.

E3401.5 Code Compliance choices. Electrical installation designers and contractors shall have the choice of using British or American electrical cables and conductors including their installation methods. However, the two cable systems shall not be mixed in any single building and the designer shall declare at the time of seeking design and construction approval, from the Government Electrical Inspectorate, the system on chosen.

SECTION E3402 BUILDING STRUCTURE PROTECTION

E3402.1 Drilling and notching. Wood-framed structural members shall not be drilled, notched or altered in any manner except as provided for in this code.

E3402.2 Penetrations of fire-resistance-rated assemblies. Electrical installations in hollow spaces, vertical shafts and ventilation or air-handling ducts shall be made so that the possible spread of fire or products of combustion will not be substantially increased. Electrical penetrations into or through fire-resistance-rated walls, partitions, floors or ceilings shall be protected by approved methods to maintain the fire-resistance rating of the element penetrated. Penetrations of fire-resistance-rated walls shall be limited as specified in Section R302.4. (300.21)

E3402.3 Penetrations of firestops and draftstops. Penetrations through fire blocking and draftstopping shall be protected in an approved manner to maintain the integrity of the element penetrated.

**E3402.4
Penetrations of steel
reinforced concrete
beams, columns and shear
walls.** Electrical conduits,
trunking, cables, enclosures,

pipes and boxes shall not be installed in reinforced concrete beams, columns and shear walls. Where any of these items must be accommodated the project structural engineer shall grant approval in writing. Wherever possible such approval shall be based on adding a section to the structural element for the electrical items such as conduits boxes, etc.**E3402.5 Chasing of reinforced concrete columns, beams, stiffeners, suspended slabs, shear and other load-bearing walls.** Chasing of reinforced concrete columns, beams, stiffeners, suspended slabs, shear and other structural elements shall not be carried out to install any conduit or boxes. Structural engineer approved conduits, boxes, fittings and fixtures shall be installed within the structural element formwork prior to the pouring of concrete. **SECTION E3403
INSPECTION AND APPROVAL**

E3403.1 Approval. Electrical materials, components and equipment shall be approved by the Bureau of Standards Jamaica or listed or certified by agencies or organisations recognized by the Bureau of Standards Jamaica.

E3403.2 Inspection required. New electrical work and parts of existing systems affected by new work or alterations shall be inspected by private sector inspectors certified by the Government Electrical Inspectorate or its accredited agents to ensure compliance with the requirements of Chapters 34 through 43.

E3403.3 Listing and labeling. Electrical materials, components, devices, fixtures and equipment shall be listed for the application, shall bear the label of a BSJ approved agency and shall be installed, and used, or both, in accordance with any instructions included in the listing and labeling. [110.3(B)]

SECTION E3404 GENERAL EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENTS

E3404.1 Voltages. Throughout Chapters 34 through 43, the voltage considered for use shall be those that the Power Utility is licensed to deliver throughout Jamaica to small and residential buildings under 300 m². These voltages are 110/220 Volts single-phase and three-phase. However bearing in mind that 120/240 Volts electrical materials, components, devices, fixtures and equipment are used without restrictions in Jamaica, 110/220 Volts shall be considered as interchangeable with 120/240 Volts.

E3404.2 Interrupting rating. Equipment intended to interrupt current at fault levels shall have a minimum interrupting rating of 10,000 amperes at the nominal circuit voltage. Equipment intended to interrupt current at levels other than fault levels shall have an interrupting rating at nominal circuit voltage of not less than the current that shall be interrupted. (110.9)

E3404.3 Circuit characteristics. The overcurrent protective devices, total impedance, equipment short-circuit current ratings and other characteristics of the circuit to be protected shall be so selected and coordinated as to permit the circuit protective devices that are used to clear a fault and do so without extensive damage to the electrical equipment of the circuit. This fault shall be assumed to be either between two or more of the circuit conductors or between any circuit conductor and the equipment grounding conductors permitted in Section E3908.8. Listed equipment applied in accordance with its listing shall be considered to meet the requirements of this section. (110.10)

E3404.4 Enclosure types. Enclosures, other than surrounding fences or walls, of panelboards, meter sockets, enclosed switches, transfer switches, circuit breakers, pullout switches and motor controllers, rated not over 600 volts nominal and intended for such locations, shall be marked with an enclosure-type number as shown in Table E3404.4.

Table E3404.4 shall be used for selecting these enclosures for use in specific locations other than hazardous (classified) locations. The enclosures are not intended to protect against conditions such as condensation, corrosion, or contamination that might occur within the enclosure or enter through the conduit or unsealed openings. (110.28)

E3404.5 Protection of equipment. Equipment not identified for outdoor use and equipment identified only for indoor use, such as “dry locations,” “indoor use only” “damp locations,” or enclosure Type 1, 2, 5, 12, 12K and 13, shall be protected against damage from the weather during construction. (110.11)

E3404.6 Unused openings. Unused openings, other than those intended for the operation of equipment, those intended for mounting purposes, and those permitted as part of the design for listed equipment, shall be closed to afford protection substantially equivalent to the wall of the equipment. Where metallic plugs or plates are used with nonmetallic enclosures they shall be recessed at least 6.35 mm ($\frac{1}{4}$ inch) from the outer surface of the enclosure. [110.12(A)]

E3404.7 Integrity of electrical equipment. Internal parts of electrical equipment, including busbars, wiring terminals, insulators and other surfaces, shall not be damaged or contaminated by foreign materials such as paint, plaster, cleaners or abrasives, and corrosive residues. There shall not be any

damaged parts that might adversely affect safe operation or mechanical strength of the equipment such as parts that are broken; bent; cut; deteriorated by corrosion, chemical action, or overheating. Foreign debris shall be removed from equipment. [110.12(B)]

E3404.8 Mounting. Electrical equipment shall be firmly secured to the surface on which it is mounted. Wooden plugs driven into masonry, concrete, plaster, or similar materials shall not be used. [110.13(A)]

E3404.9 Energized parts guarded against accidental contact. Approved enclosures shall guard energized parts that are operating at 50 volts or more against accidental contact. [110.27(A)]

E3404.10 Prevent physical damage. In locations where electrical equipment such as meters, meter centres, panelboards, load centres, transformers, control panels and isolators are exposed to physical dam-

age, enclosures or guards shall be so arranged and of such strength as to prevent such damage. [110.27(B)]

E3404.11 Equipment identification.

- a. The manufacturer's name, trademark or other descriptive marking by which the organization responsible for the product can be identified shall be placed on all electric equipment. Other markings shall be provided that indicate voltage, current, wattage or other ratings as specified elsewhere in Chapters 34 through 43. The marking shall have the durability to withstand the environment involved. [110.21(A)(1)]
- b. In addition to providing markings indicating the voltage, current, wattage and other standard information reconditioned equipment shall be marked with the names, or trademark, or other descriptive marking by which the organization responsible for reconditioning the electrical equipment can be identified, along with the date of the reconditioning. [110.21(A)(2)]

**TABLE E3404.4 (Table 110.28)
ENCLOSURE SELECTION**

PROVIDES A DEGREE OF PROTECTION AGAINST THE FOLLOWING ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS	FOR OUTDOOR USE									
	Enclosure-type number									
	3	3R	3S	3X	3RX	3SX	4	4X	6	6P
Incidental contact with the enclosed equipment	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Rain	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Sleet ^a	—	—	X	—	—	X	—	—	—	—
Windblown dust	X	—	X	X	—	X	X	X	X	X
Hosedown	—	—	—	—	—	—	X	X	X	X
Corrosive agents	—	—	—	X	X	X	—	X	—	X
Temporary submersion	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	X	X
Prolonged submersion	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	X
PROVIDES A DEGREE OF PROTECTION AGAINST THE FOLLOWING ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS	FOR INDOOR USE									
	Enclosure-type number									
	1	2	4	4X	5	6	6P	12	12K	13
Incidental contact with the enclosed equipment	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Falling dirt	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Falling liquids and light splashing	—	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Circulating dust, lint, fibers and flyings	—	—	X	X	—	X	X	X	X	X
Settling airborne dust, lint, fibers and flyings	—	—	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Hosedown and splashing water	—	—	X	X	—	X	X	—	—	—
Oil and coolant seepage	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	X	X	X
Oil or coolant spraying and splashing	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	X
Corrosive agents	—	—	—	X	—	—	X	—	—	—
Temporary submersion	—	—	—	—	—	X	X	—	—	—
Prolonged submersion	—	—	—	—	—	—	X	—	—	—

a. Mechanism shall be operable when ice covered.
 Note 1: The term raintight is typically used in conjunction with Enclosure Types 3, 3S, 3SX, 3X, 4, 4X, 6 and 6P. The term rainproof is typically used in conjunction with Enclosure Types 3R and 3RX. The term watertight is typically used in conjunction with Enclosure Types 4, 4X, 6 and 6P. The term drip-tight is typically used in conjunction with Enclosure Types 2, 5, 12, 12K and 13. The term dust-tight is typically used in conjunction with Enclosure Types 3, 3S, 3SX, 3X, 5, 12, 12K and 13.
 Note 2: Ingress protection (IP) ratings are found in ANSI/NEMA 60529, *Degrees of Protection Provided by Enclosures*. IP ratings are not a substitute for enclosure-type ratings.

E3404.12 Field-applied hazard markings. Where caution, warning, or danger signs or labels are required by this code, the labels shall meet the following requirements:

1. The marking shall warn of the hazard using effective words, colors, symbols or any combination thereof.
2. Labels shall be permanently affixed to the equipment or wiring system.
3. Labels shall not be hand written except for portions of labels or markings that are variable, or that could be subject to changes. Labels shall be legible.
4. Labels shall be of sufficient durability to withstand the environment involved. [110.21(B)]

E3404.13 Identification of disconnecting means. Each disconnecting means shall be legibly marked to indicate its purpose, except where located and arranged so that the purpose is evident. The marking shall have the durability to withstand the environment involved. [110.22(A)]

SECTION E3405 EQUIPMENT LOCATION AND CLEARANCES

E3405.1 Working space and clearances. Access and working space shall be provided and maintained around all electrical equipment to permit ready and safe operation and maintenance of such equipment in accordance with this section and Figure E3405.1. (110.26)

E3405.2 Working clearances for energized equipment and panelboards. Except as otherwise specified in Chapters 34 through 43, the dimension of the working space in the direction of access to panelboards and live parts of other equipment likely to require examination, adjustment, servicing or maintenance while energized shall be not less than 915 mm (36 inches) in depth. Distances shall be measured from the energized parts where such parts are exposed or from the enclosure front or opening where such parts are enclosed. In addition to the 915 mm (36-inch) dimension, the work space shall not be less than 760 mm (30 inches) wide in front of the electrical equipment and not less than the width of such equipment. The work space shall be clear and shall extend from the floor or platform to a height of 1,980 mm (6.5 feet) or the height of the equipment, whichever is greater. In all cases, the work space shall allow at least a 90-degree (1.57 rad) opening of equipment doors or hinged panels. Equipment associated with the electrical installation located above or below the electrical equipment shall be permitted to extend not more than 150 mm (6 inches) beyond the front of the electrical equipment.

Where such equipment is required by installation instruction or function to be located in a space with limited access, all of the following shall apply:

- a. Where the equipment is installed above a lay-in ceiling, there shall be an opening not smaller than 560 mm by 560 mm (22 inches by 22 inches), or in a crawl space, there shall be an accessible opening not smaller than 560 mm by 760 mm (22 inches by 30 inches).

- b. The width of the working space shall be the width of the equipment enclosure or not less than 760 mm (30 inches), whichever is greater.
- c. Enclosure doors and hinged panels shall be capable of opening not less than 90 degrees.
- d. The space in front of the enclosure shall comply with the depth requirements of Table 110.26(A)(1) of NFPA 70. The maximum height of the working space shall be the height necessary to install the equipment in the limited space. A horizontal ceiling structural member or access panel shall be permitted in this space. [110.26(A) (1), (2), (3), (4)]

Exceptions:

1. In existing dwelling units, service equipment and panelboards that are not rated in excess of 200 amperes shall be permitted in spaces where the height of the working space is less than 1,980 mm (6.5 feet). [110.26(A)(3) Exception No. 1]
2. Meters that are installed in meter sockets shall be permitted to extend beyond the other equipment. Meter sockets shall not be exempt from the requirements of this section. [110.26(A)(3) Exception No. 2]

E3405.3 Indoor dedicated panelboard space. The indoor space equal to the width and depth of the panelboard and extending from the floor to a height of 1,830 mm (6 feet) above the panelboard, or to the structural ceiling, whichever is lower, shall be dedicated to the electrical installation. Piping, ducts, leak protection apparatus and other equipment foreign to the electrical installation shall not be installed in such dedicated space. The area above the dedicated space shall be permitted to contain foreign systems, provided that protection is installed to avoid damage to the electrical equipment from condensation, leaks and breaks in such foreign systems (see Figure E3405.1).

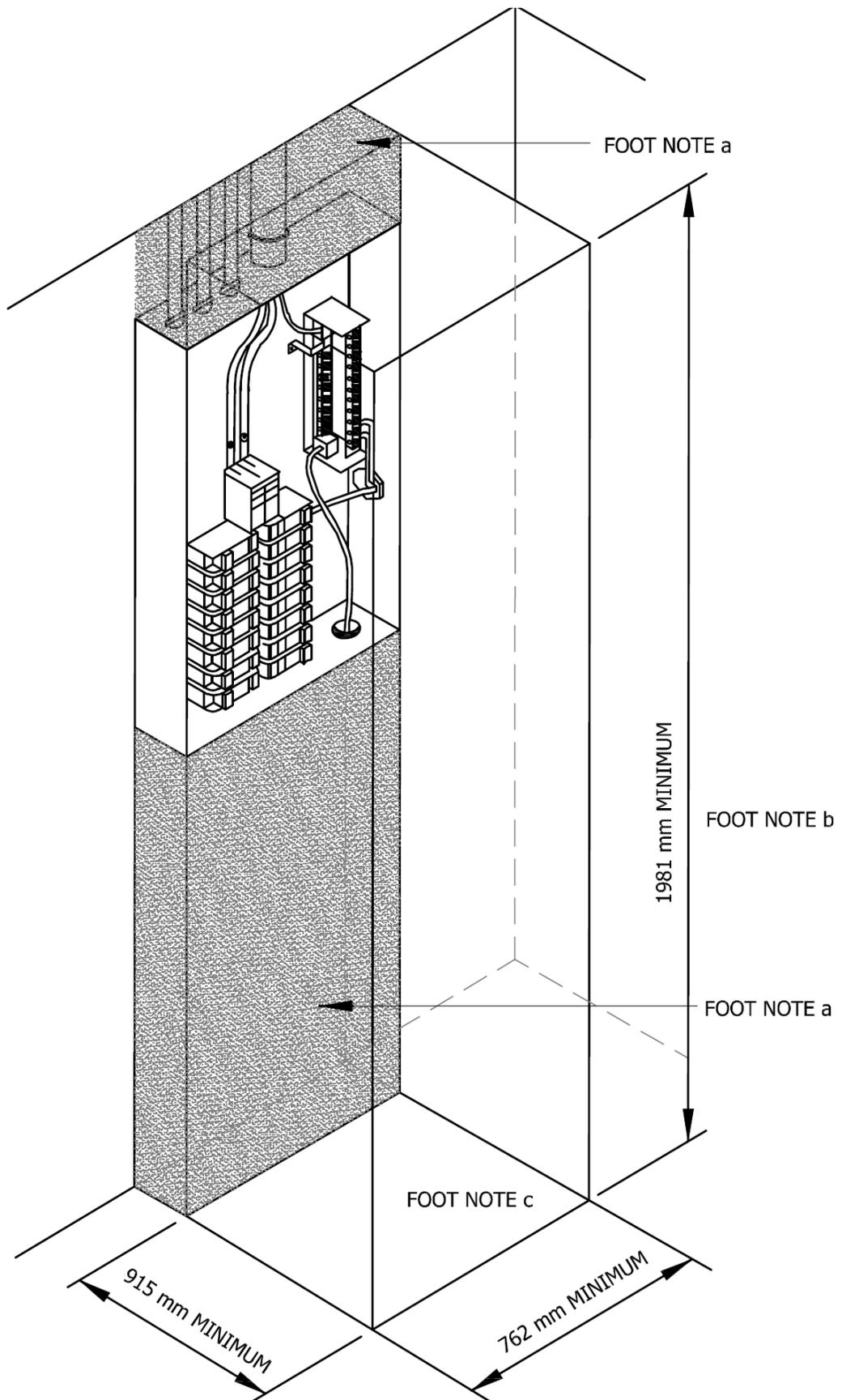
Exception: Suspended ceilings with removable panels shall be permitted within the 1,830 mm (6-foot) dedicated space.

E3405.4 Outdoor dedicated panelboard space. The outdoor space equal to the width and depth of the panelboard, and extending from grade to a height of 1,830 mm (6 feet) above the panelboard, shall be dedicated to the electrical installation. Piping and other equipment foreign to the electrical installation shall not be located in this zone.

E3405.5 Location of working spaces and equipment. Required working space shall not be designated for storage. Panelboards and overcurrent protection devices shall not be located in clothes closets, in bathrooms, or over the steps of a stairway. [110.26(B), 240.24(D), (E), (F)]

E3405.6 Access and entrance to working space. Access shall be provided to the required working space. [110.26(C)(1)]

E3405.7 Illumination. Artificial illumination shall be provided for all working spaces for service equipment and panelboards installed indoors and shall not be controlled by automatic means only. Additional lighting outlets shall not be required where the work space is illuminated by an adjacent light source or as permitted by Exception 1 of Section E3903.2 for switched receptacles. [110.26(D)]



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For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00326 foot.

- a. Equipment, piping and ducts foreign to the electrical installation shall not be placed in the shaded areas extending from the floor to a height of 1,830 mm above the panelboard enclosure, or to the structural ceiling, whichever is lower.
- b. The working space shall be clear and unobstructed from the floor to a height of 1,980 mm or the height of the equipment, whichever is greater.
- c. The working space shall not be designated for storage.
- d. Panelboards, service equipment and similar enclosures shall not be located in bathrooms, toilet rooms, clothes closets or over the steps of a stairway.
- e. Such work spaces shall be provided with artificial lighting where located indoors and shall not be controlled by automatic means only.

FIGURE E3405.1^{a, b, c, d, e} WORKING SPACE AND CLEARANCES

SECTION E3406**ELECTRICAL CONDUCTORS AND CONNECTIONS**

E3406.1 General. This section provides general requirements for American and Metric conductors, connections and splices. These requirements do not apply to conductors that form an integral part of equipment, such as motors, appliances and similar equipment, or to conductors specifically provided for elsewhere in Chapters 34 through 43. (310.1)

E3406.2 Conductor material. Conductors used to conduct current shall be of copper or aluminum except as otherwise provided in Chapters 34 through 43. Where the conductor material is not specified, the material and the sizes given in these chapters shall apply to copper conductors. Where other materials are used, the conductor sizes shall be changed accordingly. (110.5)

E3406.3 Minimum size of conductors. The minimum size of conductors for branch circuits supplying lighting fixtures only shall be 14 AWG or 1.5 mm² metric for copper and 12 AWG or 2.5 mm² for aluminium while that for supplying feeders and branch circuits supplying outlets or fixed equipment or lighting fixtures shall be 12 AWG or 2.5 mm² for copper and 10 AWG or 4 mm² for aluminum. The minimum size of service conductors shall be as specified in Chapter 36. The minimum size of Class 2 remote control, signaling and power-limited circuits conductors shall be as specified in Chapter 43.

E3406.4 Stranded conductors. Where installed in raceways (conduits and trunking), conductors 14 AWG or 1.5 mm² and larger shall be stranded. A solid 8 AWG conductor shall be permitted to be installed in a race-way only to meet the requirements of Sections E3610.2 and E4204.

E3406.5 Individual conductor insulation. Except where otherwise permitted in Sections E3605.1 and E3908.9, and E4303, AWG and Metric current-carrying conductors shall be insulated. Insulated conductors shall have insulation types identified as RHH, RHW, RHW-2, THHN, THHW, THW, THW-2, THWN, THWN-2,

TW, UF, USE, USE-2, XHHW or XHHW-2. for AWG conductors while insulated Metric conductors shall have insulation types identified as Thermosetting (Rubber) 60 °C, Thermo-plastic (PVC) 70 °C, Thermosetting (Rubber) 85 °C, Thermo-plastic (PVC) 90 °C, Mineral Sheathed 70 °C and Mineral Sheathed 105 °C. Insulation types shall be approved for the application. [310.10(B), (C), 310.104]

E3406.6 Conductors in parallel. Circuit conductors that are connected in parallel shall be limited to sizes 1/0 AWG or 50 mm² and larger. Conductors in parallel shall: be of the same length; consist of the same conductor material; be the same circular mil or square millimetre area and have the same insulation type. Conductors in parallel shall be terminated in the same manner. Where run in separate raceways or cables, the raceway or cables shall have the same physical characteristics. Where conductors are in separate raceways or cables, the same number of conductors shall be used in each raceway or cable. [310.10(H)]

E3406.7 Conductors of the same circuit. All conductors of the same circuit and, where used, the grounded conductor and all equipment local grounding conductors and bonding conductors shall be contained within the same raceway, cable or cord. [300.3(B)]

E3406.8 Aluminum and copper connections. Terminals and splicing connectors shall be identified for the material of the conductors joined. Conductors of dissimilar metals shall not be joined in a terminal or splicing connector where physical contact occurs between dissimilar conductors such as copper and aluminum, copper and copper-clad aluminum, or aluminum and copper-clad aluminum, except where the device is listed for the purpose and conditions of application. Materials such as inhibitors and compounds shall be suitable for the application and shall be of a type that will not adversely affect the conductors, installation or equipment. (110.14)

E3406.9 Fine stranded conductors. Connectors and terminals for AWG conductors that are more finely stranded than Class B and Class C stranding as shown in Table E3406.9, shall be identified for the specific conductor class or classes. (110.14)

**TABLE E3406.9 (Chapter 9, Table 10)
AWG CONDUCTOR STRANDING^c**

CONDUCTOR SIZE		NUMBER OF STRANDS		
		Copper		Aluminum
PREFERRED SIZES (AWG or kcmil)	AREA PER STRAND (mm ²)	Class B	Class C	Class B
24-30	0.20-0.05	Note a	—	—
22	0.32	7	—	—
20	0.52	10	—	—
18	0.82	16	—	—
16	1.3	26	—	—
14-2	2.1-33.6	7	19	7 ^b
1-4/0	42.4-107	19	37	19
250-500	127-253	37	61	37
600-1000	304-508	61	91	61
1250-1500	635-759	91	127	91
1750-2000	886-1016	127	271	127

1. Number of strands vary.
2. Aluminum 14 AWG (2.1 mm²) is not available.
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E3406.10 Terminals. Connection of conductors to terminal parts shall be made without damaging the conductors and shall be made by means of pressure connectors, including set-screw type, by means of splices to flexible leads, or for conductor sizes of 10 AWG or 4 mm² metric and smaller, by means of wire binding screws or studs and nuts having upturned lugs or the equivalent. Terminals for more than one conductor and terminals for connecting aluminum conductors shall be identified for the application. [110.14(A)]

E3406.11 Splices. Conductors shall be spliced or joined with splicing devices listed for the purpose. Splices and joints and the free ends of conductors shall be covered with an insulation equivalent to that of the conductors or with an insulating device listed for the purpose. Wire connectors or splicing means installed on conductors for direct burial shall be listed for such use. [110.14(B)]

E3406.11.1 Continuity. Conductors in raceways shall be continuous between outlets, boxes, and devices and shall be without splices or taps in the raceway.

Exception: Splices shall be permitted within surface-mounted raceways that have a removable cover. [300.13(A)]

E3406.11.2 Device connections. The continuity of a grounded conductor in multiwire branch circuits shall not be dependent on connection to devices such as receptacles and lampholders. The arrangement of grounding connections shall be such that the disconnection or the removal of a receptacle, luminaire or other device fed from the box does not interfere with or interrupt the grounding continuity. [300.13(B)]

E3406.11.3 Length of conductor for splice or termination. Where conductors are to be spliced, terminated or connected to fixtures or devices, a minimum length of 150 mm (6 inches) of free conductor shall be provided at each outlet, junction or switch point. The required length shall be measured from the point in the box where the conductor emerges from its raceway or cable sheath. Where the opening to an outlet, junction or switch point is less than 205 mm (8 inches) in any dimension, each conductor shall be long enough to extend at least 76 mm (3 inches) outside of such opening. (300.14)

E3406.12 Installation. Where a tightening torque is indicated as a numeric value on equipment or in installation instructions provided by the manufacturer, a calibrated torque tool shall be used to achieve the indicated torque value, except where the equipment manufacturer has provided installation instructions for an alternative method of achieving the required torque. [110.14 (D)]

E3406.13 Grounded conductor continuity. The continuity of a grounded conductor shall not depend on connection to a metallic enclosure, raceway or cable armor. [200.2(B)]

E3406.14 Connection of grounding and bonding equipment. The connection of equipment local grounding 1. conductors, grounding electrode conductors and bonding jumpers shall be in accordance with Sections E3406.14.1 and 2. E3406.14.2.

E3406.14.1 Permitted methods. Equipment grounding conductors, grounding electrode conductors, and bonding jumpers shall be connected by one or more of the following means:

- a. Listed pressure connectors.
- b. Terminal bars.
- c. Pressure connectors listed as grounding and bonding equipment.
- d. Exothermic welding process.
- e. Machine screw-type fasteners that engage not less than two threads or are secured with a nut.
- f. Thread-forming machine screws that engage not less than two threads in the enclosure.
- g. Connections that are part of a listed assembly.
- h. Other listed means. [250.8 (A)]

E3406.14.2 Methods not permitted. Connection devices or fittings that depend solely on solder shall not be used. [250.8 (B)]

SECTION E3407

CONDUCTOR AND TERMINAL IDENTIFICATION

E3407.1 Grounded conductors. Insulated local grounded conductors of sizes 6 AWG or 10 mm² metric or smaller shall be identified by a continuous white or gray outer finish or by three continuous white or gray stripes on other than green insulation along the entire length of the conductors. Conductors of sizes 4 AWG or 16 mm² metric or larger shall be identified either by a continuous white or gray outer finish or by three continuous white or gray stripes on other than green insulation along its entire length or at the time of installation by a distinctive white or gray marking at its terminations. This marking shall encircle the conductor or insulation. [200.6(A) & (B)]

E3407.2 Equipment local grounding conductors. Equipment local grounding conductors of sizes 6 AWG or 10 mm² metric and smaller shall be identified by a continuous green color or a continuous green color with one or more yellow stripes on the insulation or covering, except where bare. Conductors with insulation or individual covering that is green, green with one or more yellow stripes, or otherwise identified as permitted by this section shall not be used for ungrounded or grounded circuit conductors. (250.119)

Equipment local grounding conductors 4 AWG or 16 mm and larger AWG or metric that are not identified as required for conductors of sizes 6 AWG or 10 mm² metric and smaller shall, at the time of installation, be permanently identified as an equipment local grounding conductor at each end and at every point where the conductor is accessible, except where such conductors are bare.

The required identification for conductors 4 AWG or 16 mm² metric and larger shall encircle the conductor and shall be accomplished by one of the following:

Stripping the insulation or covering from the entire exposed length.

Coloring the exposed insulation or covering green at the termination.

3. Marking the exposed insulation or covering with green tape or green adhesive labels at the termination. [250.119(A)]

Exceptions:

- a. Conductors 4 AWG or 16 mm² metric and larger shall not be required to be identified in conduit bodies that do not contain splices or unused hubs. [250.119(A)(1)Exception]
- b. Power-limited, Class 2 or Class 3 circuit cables containing only circuits operating at less than 50 volts shall be permitted to use a conductor with green insulation for other than equipment grounding purposes. [250.119 Exception No. 1]

E3407.3 Ungrounded conductors. Insulation on the ungrounded conductors shall be a continuous color other than white, gray and green. [310.110(C)]

Exception: An insulated conductor that is part of a cable or flexible cord assembly and that has a white or gray finish or a finish marking with three continuous white or gray stripes shall be permitted to be used as an ungrounded conductor where it is permanently reidentified to indicate its use as an ungrounded conductor by marking tape, painting, or other effective means at all terminations and at each location where the conductor is visible and accessible. Identification shall encircle the insulation and shall be a color other than white, gray, and green. [200.7(C)(1)]

Where used for single-pole, 3-way or 4-way switch loops, the reidentified conductor with white or gray insulation or three continuous white or gray stripes shall be used only for the supply to the switch, not as a return conductor from the switch to the outlet. [200.7(C)(2)]

E3407.4 Identification of terminals. Terminals for attachment to conductors shall be identified in accordance with Sections E3407.4.1 and E3407.4.2.

E3407.4.1 Device terminals. All devices excluding panelboards, provided with terminals for the attachment of conductors and intended for connection to more than one side of the circuit shall have terminals properly marked for identification, except where the terminal intended to be connected to the grounded conductor is clearly evident. [200.10(A)]

Exception: Terminal identification shall not be required for devices that have a normal current rating of over 30 amperes, other than polarized attachment caps and polarized receptacles for attachment caps as required in Section E3407.4.2. [200.10(A) Exception]

E3407.4.2 Receptacles, plugs and connectors. Receptacles, polarized attachment plugs and cord connectors for plugs and polarized plugs shall have the terminal intended for connection to the grounded (white) conductor identified. Identification shall be by a metal or metal coating substantially white in color or by the word “white” or the letter “W” located adjacent to the identified terminal. Where the terminal is not visible, the conductor entrance hole for the connection shall be colored white or marked with the word “white” or the letter “W.” [200.10(B)]

CHAPTER 35

ELECTRICAL DEFINITIONS

ICC user note:

About this chapter: *The electrical trade, like other construction trades, has its vernacular. If people do not understand the language of the code text, they will have difficulty interpreting that text. Many words have a unique meaning in the context of a particular code and may be defined differently in a dictionary.*

Because much code text meaning depends on the definitions of the terms used in the text, Chapter 35 lists the definitions of terms that do not have everyday, common, universally accepted or dictionary-defined meanings. Chapter 35 is provided as the key to understanding the electrical text.

SECTION E3501 GENERAL

E3501.1 Scope. This chapter contains definitions that shall apply only to the electrical requirements of Chapters 34 through 43. Unless otherwise expressly stated, the following terms shall, for the purpose of this code, have the meanings indicated in this chapter. Words used in the present tense include the future; the singular number includes the plural and the plural the singular. Where terms are not defined in this section and are defined in Section R202 of this code, such terms shall have the meanings ascribed to them in that section. Where terms are not defined in these sections, they shall have their ordinarily accepted meanings or such as the context implies.

ACCESSIBLE. (As applied to equipment.) Admitting close approach; not guarded by locked doors, elevation or other effective means.

ACCESSIBLE. (As applied to wiring methods.) Capable of being removed or exposed without damaging the building structure or finish, or not permanently closed in by the structure or finish of the building.

ACCESSIBLE, READILY. Capable of being reached quickly for operation, renewal or inspections, without requiring those to whom ready access is requisite to take actions such as to use tools, other than keys, to climb over or under, to remove obstacles or to resort to portable ladders, etc.

AMPACITY. The maximum current in amperes that a conductor can carry continuously under the conditions of use without exceeding its temperature rating.

APPLIANCE. Utilization equipment, normally built in standardized sizes or types, that is installed or connected as a unit to perform one or more functions such as clothes washing, air conditioning, food mixing, deep frying, etc.

APPROVED. Acceptable to the authority having jurisdiction.

ARC-FAULT CIRCUIT INTERRUPTER. A device intended to provide protection from the effects of arc-faults by recognizing characteristics unique to arcing and by functioning to de-energize the circuit when an arc-fault is detected.

ATTACHMENT PLUG (PLUG CAP) (PLUG). A device that, by insertion into a receptacle, establishes connection between the conductors of the attached flexible cord and the conductors connected permanently to the receptacle.

AUTOMATIC. Performing a function without the necessity of human intervention.

BATHROOM. An area, including a basin, with one or more of the following: a toilet, a urinal, a tub, a shower, a bidet, or similar plumbing fixture.

BONDED (BONDING). Connected to establish electrical continuity and conductivity.

BONDING CONDUCTOR OR JUMPER. A reliable conductor to ensure the required electrical conductivity between metal parts required to be electrically connected.

BONDING JUMPER (EQUIPMENT). The connection between two or more portions of the equipment local grounding conductor.

BONDING JUMPER, MAIN. The connection between the grounded circuit conductor and the equipment local grounding conductor at the service.

BONDING JUMPER, SUPPLY-SIDE. A conductor installed on the supply side of a service or within a service equipment enclosure(s) that ensures the required electrical conductivity between metal parts required to be electrically connected.

BRANCH CIRCUIT. The circuit conductors between the final overcurrent device protecting the circuit and the outlet(s).

BRANCH CIRCUIT, APPLIANCE. A branch circuit that supplies energy to one or more outlets to which appliances are to be connected, and that has no permanently connected luminaires that are not a part of an appliance.

BRANCH CIRCUIT, GENERAL PURPOSE. A branch circuit that supplies two or more receptacle outlets or outlets for lighting and appliances.

BRANCH CIRCUIT, INDIVIDUAL. A branch circuit that supplies only one utilization equipment.

BRANCH CIRCUIT, MULTIWIRE. A branch circuit consisting of two or more ungrounded conductors having voltage

difference between them, and a grounded conductor having equal voltage difference between it and each ungrounded conductor of the circuit, and that is connected to the neutral or local grounded conductor of the system.

CABINET. An enclosure designed either for surface or flush mounting and provided with a frame, mat or trim in which a swinging door or doors are or may be hung.

CIRCUIT BREAKER. A device designed to open and close a circuit by nonautomatic means and to open the circuit automatically on a predetermined overcurrent without damage to itself when properly applied within its rating.

CLOTHES CLOSET. A nonhabitable room or space intended primarily for storage of garments and apparel.

CONCEALED. Rendered inaccessible by the structure or finish of the building.

CONDUCTOR.

Bare. A conductor having no covering or electrical insulation whatsoever.

Covered. A conductor encased within material of composition or thickness that is not recognized by this code as electrical insulation.

Insulated. A conductor encased within material of composition and thickness that is recognized by this code as electrical insulation.

CONDUIT BODY. A separate portion of a conduit or tubing system that provides access through a removable cover(s) to the interior of the system at a junction of two or more sections of the system or at a terminal point of the system. Boxes such as FS and FD or larger cast or sheet metal boxes are not classified as conduit bodies.

CONNECTOR, PRESSURE (SOLDERLESS). A device that establishes a connection between two or more conductors or between one or more conductors and a terminal by means of mechanical pressure and without the use of solder.

CONTINUOUS LOAD. A load where the maximum current is expected to continue for 3 hours or more.

COOKING UNIT, COUNTER-MOUNTED. A cooking appliance designed for mounting in or on a counter and consisting of one or more heating elements, internal wiring and built-in or separately mountable controls.

COPPER-CLAD ALUMINUM CONDUCTORS. Conductors drawn from a copper-clad aluminum rod with the copper metallurgically bonded to an aluminum core. The copper forms a minimum of 10 percent of the cross-sectional area of a solid conductor or each strand of a stranded conductor.

CUTOUT BOX. An enclosure designed for surface mounting and having swinging doors or covers secured directly to and telescoping with the walls of the box proper (see "Cabinet").

DEAD FRONT. Without live parts exposed to a person on the operating side of the equipment.

DEMAND FACTOR. The ratio of the maximum demand of a system, or part of a system, to the total connected load of a system or the part of the system under consideration.

DEVICE. A unit of an electrical system that carries or controls electrical energy as its principal function.

DISCONNECTING MEANS. A device, or group of devices, or other means by which the conductors of a circuit can be disconnected from their source of supply.

DWELLING.

Dwelling unit. A single unit, providing complete and independent living facilities for one or more persons, including permanent provisions for living, sleeping, cooking and sanitation.

One-family dwelling. A building consisting solely of one dwelling unit.

Two-family dwelling. A building consisting solely of two dwelling units.

EFFECTIVE GROUND-FAULT CURRENT PATH. An intentionally constructed, low-impedance electrically conductive path designed and intended to carry current under ground-fault conditions from the point of a ground fault on a wiring system to the electrical supply source and that facilitates the operation of the overcurrent protective device or ground-fault detectors.

ENCLOSED. Surrounded by a case, housing, fence or walls that will prevent persons from accidentally contacting energized parts.

ENCLOSURE. The case or housing of apparatus, or the fence or walls surrounding an installation, to prevent personnel from accidentally contacting energized parts or to protect the equipment from physical damage.

ENERGIZED. Electrically connected to, or is, a source of voltage.

EQUIPMENT. A general term including material, fittings, devices, appliances, luminaires, apparatus, machinery and the like used as a part of, or in connection with, an electrical installation.

EXPOSED. (As applied to live parts.) Capable of being inadvertently touched or approached nearer than a safe distance by a person.

EXPOSED. (As applied to wiring methods.) On or attached to the surface or behind panels designed to allow access.

EXTERNALLY OPERABLE. Capable of being operated without exposing the operator to contact with live parts.

FEEDER. All circuit conductors between the service equipment, or the source of a separately derived system, and the final branch-circuit overcurrent device.

FITTING. An accessory such as a locknut, bushing or other part of a wiring system that is intended primarily to perform a mechanical rather than an electrical function.

GROUND. The earth.

GROUND (GROUNDING). Connected (connecting) to ground or to a conductive body that extends the ground connection.

GROUND, EFFECTIVELY. Intentionally connected to earth through a ground connection or connections of suffi-

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ciently low impedance and having sufficient current-carrying capacity to prevent the buildup of voltages that may result in undue hazards to connected equipment or to persons.

GROUNDING CONDUCTOR. A system or circuit conductor that is intentionally grounded.

GROUNDING CONDUCTOR, EQUIPMENT LOCAL (ELGC). The conductive path(s) that provides a ground-fault current path and connects normally noncurrent-carrying metal parts of equipment together and, to the local system grounded conductor, the grounding electrode conductor or both.

GROUNDING ELECTRODE. A conducting object through which a direct connection to earth is established.

GROUNDING ELECTRODE CONDUCTOR. A conductor used to connect the system grounded conductor or the equipment to a grounding electrode or to a point on the grounding electrode system.

GROUND-FAULT CIRCUIT INTERRUPTER. A device intended for the protection of personnel that functions to de-energize a circuit or portion thereof within an established period of time when a current to ground exceeds the value for a Class A device.

GROUND-FAULT CURRENT PATH. An electrically conductive path from the point of a ground fault on a wiring system through normally noncurrent-carrying conductors, equipment, or the earth to the electrical supply source.

Examples of ground-fault current paths are any combination of equipment local grounding conductors, metallic raceways, metallic cable sheaths, electrical equipment, and any other electrically conductive material such as metal, water, and gas piping; steel framing members; stucco mesh; metal ducting; reinforcing steel; shields of communications cables; and the earth itself.

GUARDED. Covered, shielded, fenced, enclosed or otherwise protected by means of suitable covers, casings, barriers, rails, screens, mats or platforms to remove the likelihood of approach or contact by persons or objects to a point of danger.

IDENTIFIED. (As applied to equipment.) Recognizable as suitable for the specific purpose, function, use, environment, application, etc., where described in a particular code requirement.

IN SIGHT FROM (Within sight from, within sight). Where this code specifies that one piece of equipment shall be “in sight from,” “within sight from,” “within sight of,” or similarly stated from/of another piece of equipment, the specified equipment shall be visible and not more than 15,250 mm (50 feet) distant from the other.

INTERRUPTING RATING. The highest current at rated voltage that a device is identified to interrupt under standard test conditions.

INTERSYSTEM BONDING TERMINATION. A device that provides a means for connecting intersystem bonding conductors for communications systems to the grounding electrode system.

ISOLATED. (As applied to location.) Not readily accessible to persons unless special means for access are used.

KITCHEN. An area with a sink and permanent provisions for food preparation and cooking.

LABELLED. Equipment or materials to which has been attached a label, symbol or other identifying mark of an organization acceptable to the authority having jurisdiction and concerned with product evaluation that maintains periodic inspection of production of labelled equipment or materials and by whose labeling the manufacturer indicates compliance with appropriate standards or performance in a specified manner.

LIGHTING OUTLET. An outlet intended for the direct connection of a lampholder or luminaire.

LIGHTING TRACK (Track Lighting). A manufactured assembly designed to support and energize luminaires that are capable of being readily repositioned on the track. Its length can be altered by the addition or subtraction of sections of track.

LISTED. Equipment, materials or services included in a list published by an organization that is acceptable to the authority having jurisdiction and concerned with evaluation of products or services, that maintains periodic inspection of production of listed equipment or materials or periodic evaluation of services, and whose listing states either that the equipment, material or services meets identified standards or has been tested and found suitable for a specified purpose.

LIVE PARTS. Energized conductive components.

LOCATION, DAMP. Location protected from weather and not subject to saturation with water or other liquids but subject to moderate degrees of moisture.

LOCATION, DRY. A location not normally subject to dampness or wetness. A location classified as dry may be temporarily subject to dampness or wetness, as in the case of a building under construction.

LOCATION, WET. Installations underground or in concrete slabs or masonry in direct contact with the earth and locations subject to saturation with water or other liquids, such as vehicle-washing areas, and locations exposed to weather.

LUMINAIRE. A complete lighting unit consisting of a light source such as a lamp or lamps together with the parts designed to position the light source and connect it to the power supply. A luminaire can include parts to protect the light source or the ballast or to distribute the light. A lampholder itself is not a luminaire.

MULTIOUTLET ASSEMBLY. A type of surface, or flush, or freestanding raceway; designed to hold conductors and receptacles, assembled in the field or at the factory.

NEUTRAL CONDUCTOR. The conductor connected to the neutral point of an electrical supply system that is intended to be the return path for current flowing out of the supply point via the ungrounded conductors. The neutral point is connected to the earth by the electrical power suppliers..

NEUTRAL POINT. The grounding point of all polyphase electrical supply systems. For the single-phase, 3-wire system subset, it is the midpoint of this system. It is also the midpoint of a 3-wire, direct-current system.

OUTLET. A point on the wiring system at which current is taken to supply utilization equipment.

OVERCURRENT. Any current in excess of the rated current of equipment or the ampacity of a conductor. Such current might result from overload, short circuit or ground fault.

OVERLOAD. Operation of equipment in excess of normal, full-load rating, or of a conductor in excess of rated ampacity that, when it persists for a sufficient length of time, would cause damage or dangerous overheating. A fault, such as a short circuit or ground fault, is not an overload.

PANELBOARD. A single panel or group of panel units designed for assembly in the form of a single panel, including buses and automatic overcurrent devices, and equipped with or without switches for the control of light, heat or power circuits, designed to be placed in a cabinet or cutout box placed in or against a wall, partition or other support and accessible only from the front.

PLENUM. A compartment or chamber to which one or more air ducts are connected and that forms part of the air distribution system.

POWER OUTLET. An enclosed assembly that may include receptacles, circuit breakers, fuseholders, fused switches, buses and watt-hour meter mounting means, intended to supply and control power to mobile homes, recreational vehicles or boats, or to serve as a means for distributing power required to operate mobile or temporarily installed equipment.

PREMISES WIRING (SYSTEM). Interior and exterior wiring, including power, lighting, control and signal circuit wiring together with all of their associated hardware, fittings and wiring devices, both permanently and temporarily installed. This includes wiring from the service point or power source to the outlets and wiring from and including the power source to the outlets where there is no service point. Such wiring does not include wiring internal to appliances, luminaires, motors, controllers, and similar equipment.

QUALIFIED PERSON. One who has the skills and knowledge related to the construction and operation of the electrical equipment and installations and has received safety training to recognize and avoid the hazards involved.

RACEWAY. An enclosed channel expressly for holding wires, cables, or busbars, with additional functions as permitted in this code.

RAINPROOF. Constructed, protected or treated so as to prevent rain from interfering with the successful operation of the apparatus under specified test conditions.

RAINTIGHT. Constructed or protected so that exposure to a beating rain will not result in the entrance of water under specified test conditions.

RECEPTACLE. A contact device installed at the outlet for the connection of an attachment plug, or for the direct connection of electrical utilization equipment designed to mate with the corresponding contact device. A single receptacle is a single contact device with no other contact device on the same yoke. A multiple receptacle is two or more contact devices on the same yoke.

RECEPTACLE OUTLET. An outlet where one or more receptacles are installed.

SERVICE. The conductors and equipment for delivering energy from the serving utility to the wiring system of the premises served.

SERVICE CABLE. Service conductors made up in the form of a cable.

SERVICE CONDUCTORS. The conductors from the service point to the service disconnecting means.

SERVICE CONDUCTORS, OVERHEAD. The overhead conductors between the service point and the first point of connection to the service-entrance conductors at the building or other structure.

SERVICE CONDUCTORS, UNDERGROUND. The underground conductors between the service point and the first point of connection to the service-entrance conductors in a terminal box, meter, or other enclosure, inside or outside of the building wall.

SERVICE DROP. The overhead service conductors between the utility electric supply system and the service point.

SERVICE-ENTRANCE CONDUCTORS, OVERHEAD SYSTEM. The service conductors between the terminals of the service equipment and a point usually outside of the building, clear of building walls, where joined by tap or splice to the service drop or overhead service conductors.

SERVICE-ENTRANCE CONDUCTORS, UNDERGROUND SYSTEM. The service conductors between the terminals of the service equipment and the point of connection to the service lateral or underground service conductors.

SERVICE EQUIPMENT. The necessary equipment, usually consisting of a circuit breaker(s) or switch(es) and fuse(s), and their accessories, connected to the load end of the service conductors to a building or other structure, or an otherwise designated area, and intended to constitute the main control and cutoff of the supply.

SERVICELATERAL. The underground service conductors between the electric utility supply system and the service point.

SERVICE POINT. The point of connection between the facilities of the serving utility and the premises wiring.

STRUCTURE. That which is built or constructed, other than equipment.

SWITCHES.

General-use switch. A switch intended for use in general distribution and branch circuits. It is rated in amperes and is capable of interrupting its rated current at its rated voltage.

General-use snap switch. A form of general-use switch constructed so that it can be installed in device boxes or on box covers or otherwise used in conjunction with wiring systems recognized by this code.

Isolating switch. A switch intended for isolating an electric circuit from the source of power. It has no interrupting

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rating and is intended to be operated only after the circuit has been opened by some other means.

Motor-circuit switch. A switch, rated in horsepower that is capable of interrupting the maximum operating overload current of a motor of the same horsepower rating as the switch at the rated voltage.

UNGROUND. Not connected to ground or to a conductive body that extends the ground connection.

UTILIZATION EQUIPMENT. Equipment that utilizes electric energy for electronic, electromechanical, chemical, heating, lighting or similar purposes.

VENTILATED. Provided with a means to permit circulation of air sufficient to remove an excess of heat, fumes or vapours.

VOLTAGE (OF A CIRCUIT). The greatest root-mean-square (rms) (effective) difference of potential between any two conductors of the circuit concerned.

VOLTAGE, NOMINAL. A nominal value assigned to a circuit or system for the purpose of conveniently designating its voltage class (e.g., 120/240). The actual voltage at which a circuit operates can vary from the nominal within a range that permits satisfactory operation of equipment.

VOLTAGE TO GROUND. For grounded circuits, the voltage between the given conductor and that point or conductor of the circuit that is grounded. For ungrounded circuits, the greatest voltage between the given conductor and any other conductor of the circuit.

WATERTIGHT. Constructed so that moisture will not enter the enclosure under specified test conditions.

WEATHERPROOF. Constructed or protected so that exposure to the weather will not interfere with successful operation.

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SERVICES

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About this chapter: Chapter 36 is the first of the logical order of chapters that mimics the normal sequence of dwelling construction. The first step in dwelling wiring is typically the sizing, design and installation of the service that is the source of power for the building. This chapter addresses the sizing of services, service conductor sizing and installation, system grounding and bonding, overcurrent protection, disconnecting means and the grounding electrode system.

This chapter requires services to be properly sized to serve the load. This is intended to prevent overloading and to provide the utility expected by the occupants. This chapter is also intended to protect occupants and the building from fire and protect the occupants from electrical shock hazards associated with service conductors and equipment.

SECTION E3601 GENERAL SERVICES

E3601.1 Scope. This chapter covers service conductors and equipment for the control and protection of services and their installation requirements. (230.1)

E3601.2 Number of services. One- and two-family dwellings and small non-residential buildings covered by this code, shall be supplied with electricity from only one point in the building and by only one service provider. **E3601.3 One building or other structure not to be supplied through another.** Utility service conductors supplying a building or other structure shall not pass through the interior of another building or other structure. (230.3)

E3601.4 Other conductors in raceway or cable. Conductors other than service conductors shall not be installed in the same service raceway or service cable in which the service conductors are installed. (230.7)

Exceptions:

- i. Grounding electrode conductors or supply side bonding jumpers or conductors shall be permitted within service raceways.
- ii. Load management control conductors having over-current protection shall be permitted within service raceways.

E3601.5 Raceway seal. Where a service raceway enters from an underground distribution system, it shall be sealed in accordance with Section E3803.6. (230.8)

E3601.6 Service disconnect required. Means shall be provided to manually and automatically disconnect all conductors in a building or other structure from the service entrance conductors at a single location in the building. This requirement may be met by providing in the main panel-board or load-centre an automatic trip main circuit breaker that has an inbuilt manual disconnect switch.

E3601.6.1 Marking of service equipment and disconnects. Service disconnects shall be permanently marked as a service disconnect. [230.70(B)]

E3601.6.2 Service disconnect location. The service disconnecting means (main circuit breaker) shall be installed at a readily accessible location either outside of the building or inside but at the nearest point to the entrance of the service conductors. Service disconnecting means shall not be installed in bathrooms. Each occupant shall have access to the disconnect serving the dwelling unit in which they reside. [230.70(A)(1)(2), 230.72(C)]

E3601.7 Maximum number of disconnects. Each feeder circuit emanating from the main panel-board or load centre shall be controlled by an automatic trip circuit breaker that has an inbuilt manual disconnect switch. The maximum number of disconnecting switches shall be equivalent to the maximum number of feeder circuit breakers that can be accommodated by the panel-board or load-centre without exceeding the current rating of the service disconnecting switch or main circuit breaker.

SECTION E3602 SERVICE SIZE AND RATING

E3602.1 Ampacity of ungrounded conductors. Ungrounded service conductors shall have an ampacity of not less than the load served plus any imminent load growth clearly envisage. For one-family dwellings and non residential buildings, the ampacity of the ungrounded conductors shall be not less than 100 amperes, 3 wire. For all other installations, the ampacity of the ungrounded conductors shall be not less than 60 amperes while the raceway in which it is housed shall allow for an upgrade wire size to carry at least 100 amperes. [230.42(B), 230.79(C) & (D)]

E3602.2 Service load. The minimum load for ungrounded service conductors and service devices that serve 100 percent of the dwelling or non-residential unit load shall be computed in accordance with Table E3602.2 plus any imminent inescapable load growth needed. Ungrounded service conductors and service devices that serve less than 100 percent of the dwelling unit load shall be computed as required for feeders in accordance with Chapter 37. [220.82(A)]

E3602.2.1 Services under 100 amperes. Services that are not required to be 100 amperes shall be sized in accordance with Chapter 37. [230.42(A), (B), and (C)].

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3 volt-amperes per 0.093 m ² (1 square foot) of floor area for general lighting and general use receptacle outlets.
Plus
1,500 volt-amperes multiplied by total number of 20-ampere-rated small appliance and laundry circuits.
Plus
The nameplate volt-ampere rating of all fastened-in-place, permanently connected or dedicated circuit-supplied appliances such as ranges, ovens, cooking units, clothes dryers not connected to the laundry branch circuit and water heaters.
Apply the following demand factors to the above subtotal:
The minimum subtotal for the loads above shall be 100 percent of the first 10,000 volt-amperes of the sum of the above loads plus 40 percent of any portion of the sum that is in excess of 10,000 volt-amperes.
Plus the largest of the following:
One-hundred percent of the nameplate rating(s) of the air-conditioning and cooling equipment.
One hundred percent of the nameplate rating(s) of the heat pump where a heat pump is used without any supplemental electric heating.
One-hundred percent of the nameplate rating of the electric thermal storage and other heating systems where the usual load is expected to be continuous at the full nameplate value. Systems qualifying under this selection shall not be figured under any other category in this table.
One-hundred percent of nameplate rating of the heat pump compressor and sixty-five percent of the supplemental electric heating load for central electric space-heating systems. If the heat pump compressor is prevented from operating at the same time as the supplementary heat, the compressor load does not need to be added to the supplementary heat load for the total central electric space-heating load.
Sixty-five percent of nameplate rating(s) of electric space-heating units if less than four separately controlled units.
Forty percent of nameplate rating(s) of electric space-heating units of four or more separately controlled units.
The minimum total load in amperes shall be the volt-ampere sum calculated above divided by 220 volts.

Metric conductors to be used for ungrounded service entrance conductors, service lateral conductors and feeder conductors that serve as the main power feeder to a dwelling unit or non-residential small building shall be those listed in Table E3705.1(1a) to Table E3705.1(22a) of Chapter 37.

TABLE E3602.2
MINIMUM SERVICE LOAD CALCULATION [220.82(B) & (C)]

E3602.3 Rating of service disconnect. The combined rating of all feeder circuit disconnects in the main panelboard or load centre serving a single dwelling unit shall be not less than the load determined from Table E3602.2 and shall be not less than as specified in Section E3602.1. (230.79 & 230.80)

E3602.4 Voltage rating. Systems shall be three-wire, 110-220-volt, single-phase with a grounded neutral. [220.82(A)]

SECTION E3603
SERVICE, FEEDER AND GROUNDING
ELECTRODE CONDUCTOR SIZING

E3603.1 Grounded and ungrounded service conductor size. AWG and Metric service and feeder conductors supplied by a single-phase, 110/220-volt system shall be sized in accordance with Sections E3603.1.1 through E3603.1.4 and Tables E3705.1 and E3705.1(1a) to E3705.1(22a).

E3603.1.1 Ungrounded service conductors. For a service rated at 100 through 225 amperes, the service conductors supplying the entire load associated with a one-family dwelling, or the service conductors supplying the entire load associated with an individual dwelling unit in a two-family dwelling as well as a non-residential small building, shall have an ampacity of not less than 83 percent of the service rating. The service rating is based on the standard ampere ratings in Section E3705.6.

E3603.1.2 Ungrounded feeder conductors. For a feeder rated at 100 through 225 amperes, the feeder conductors supplying the entire load associated with a one-family dwelling as well as a non-residential small building, or the feeder conductors supplying the entire load associated with an individual dwelling unit in a two-family dwelling, shall have an ampacity of not less than 83 percent of the feeder rating. The feeder rating is based on the standard ampere ratings in Section E3705.6.

E3603.1.3 Feeder size relative to service size. A feeder for an individual dwelling unit shall not be required to have an ampacity greater than that specified in Sections E3603.1.1 and E3603.1.2.

E3603.1.4 Grounded conductors. The grounded conductor ampacity shall be not less than the maximum unbalance of the load and the AWG size of the grounded conductor shall be not smaller than the required minimum grounding electrode conductor size specified in Table E3603.4. [310.15(B)(7)].

Grounded metric service conductors shall have ampacity as listed in Table E3603.4 of this chapter.

E3603.1.5 Adjustment/correction factors. Where correction or adjustment factors are required by Section E3705.1.2 or E3705.2 or E3705.3, they shall be permitted to be applied to the ampacity and voltage drop of conductors by the associated factors of ambient temperature, proximity of conductors in adjacent circuits and conductor circuit length.

E3603.2 Ungrounded service conductors for accessory buildings and structures. Ungrounded conductors for other than dwelling units shall have an ampacity of not less than 60 amperes and shall be sized as required for feeders in Chapter 37. [230.79(D)]

Exceptions:

1. For limited loads of a single branch circuit, the service conductors shall have an ampacity of not less than 15 amperes. [230.79(A)]
2. For loads consisting of not more than two two-wire branch circuits, the service conductors shall have an ampacity of not less than 30 amperes. [230.79(B)]

E3603.3 Overload protection. Each ungrounded service conductor shall have overload protection. (230.90)

E3603.3.1 Ungrounded conductor. Overload protection shall be provided by an overcurrent device installed in series with each ungrounded service conductor. The overcurrent device shall have a rating or setting not higher than the allowable service or feeder rating specified in Section E3603.1. A set of fuses shall be considered to be all of the fuses required to protect all of the ungrounded conductors of a circuit. Single pole circuit breakers, grouped in accordance with Section E3601.7, shall be considered as one protective device. [230.90(A)]

Exception: Two to six circuit breakers or sets of fuses shall be permitted as the overcurrent device to provide the overload protection. The sum of the ratings of the circuit breakers or fuses shall be permitted to exceed the ampacity of the service conductors, provided that the calculated load does not exceed the ampacity of the service conductors. [230.90(A) Exception No. 3]

E3603.3.2 Not in grounded conductor. Overcurrent devices shall not be connected in series with a grounded service conductor except where a circuit breaker is used that simultaneously opens all conductors of the circuit. [230.90(B)]

E3603.3.3 Location. The service overcurrent device shall be an integral part of the service disconnecting means or shall be located immediately adjacent thereto. Where fuses are used as the service overcurrent device, the disconnecting means shall be located on the supply side of the

fuses. (230.91)

E3603.4 Grounding electrode conductor size. The grounding electrode conductors shall be sized based on the size of the service entrance conductors as required in Table E3603.4. (250.66)

TABLE E3603.4
GROUNDING ELECTRODE CONDUCTOR SIZE^{a, b, c, d, e, f}

SIZE OF LARGEST UNGROUNDED SERVICE-ENTRANCE CONDUCTOR OR EQUIVALENT AREA FOR PARALLEL CONDUCTORS (AWG or kcmil/mm ²)		SIZE OF GROUNDING ELECTRODE CONDUCTOR (AWG or kcmil/mm ²)	
Copper	Aluminum or copper-clad aluminum	Copper	Aluminum or copper-clad aluminum
2 AWG or 25 mm ² or smaller	1/0 or 50 mm ² or smaller	8 / 6 mm ²	6 / 10 mm ²
1 or 1/0 AWG / 35 or 50 mm ²	2/0 or 3/0 / 70 or 95 mm ²	6 / 10 mm ²	4 / 16 mm ²
2/0 or 3/0 AWG / 70 or 95 mm ²	4/0 or 250 / 120 or 150 mm ²	4 / 16 mm ²	2 / 25 mm ²
Over 3/0 / 95 mm ² through 350/185 mm ²	Over 250/150 mm ² through 500/300 mm ²	2 / 25 mm ²	1/0 / 50 mm ²
Over 350/185 mm ² through 600/400 mm ²	Over 500 / 300 mm ² through 900/500 mm ²	1/0 / 50 mm ²	3/0 / 95 mm ²

- a. If multiple sets of service-entrance conductors connect directly to a service drop, set of overhead service conductors, set of underground service conductors, or service lateral, the equivalent size of the largest service-entrance conductor shall be determined by the largest sum of the areas of the corresponding conductors of each set. (Table 250.66)
- b. Where there are no service-entrance conductors, the grounding electrode conductor size shall be determined by the equivalent size of the largest service-entrance conductor required for the load to be served. (Table 250.66)
- c. Where protected by a ferrous metal raceway, grounding electrode conductors shall be electrically bonded to the ferrous metal raceway at both ends. [250.64(E)(1)]
- d. A 6 mm² metric or 8 AWG grounding electrode conductor shall be protected with rigid metal conduit, intermediate metal conduit, rigid polyvinyl chloride (Type PVC) nonmetallic conduit, rigid thermosetting resin (Type RTRC) nonmetallic conduit, electrical metallic tubing or cable armor. [250.64(B)]
- e. Where not protected, 10 mm² metric or 6 AWG grounding electrode conductor shall closely follow a structural surface for physical protection. The supports shall be spaced not more than 610 mm (24 inches) on center and shall be within 305 mm (12 inches) of any enclosure or termination. [250.64(B)]
- f. Where the grounding electrode conductor or bonding jumper connected to a single or multiple rod, pipe, or plate electrode(s) or any combination thereof, as described in Section E3608.3, does not extend on to other types of electrodes that require a larger size of conductor, the grounding electrode conductor shall not be required to be larger than 10 mm² metric or 6 AWG copper or alternatively 16 mm² metric or 4 AWG aluminum. Where the grounding electrode conductor or bonding jumper connected to a single or multiple concrete-encased electrode(s), as described in Section E3608.1.2, does not extend on to other types of electrodes that require a larger size of conductor, the grounding electrode conductor shall not be required to be larger than 16 mm² metric or 4 AWG copper conductor. [250.66(A) and (B)]

E3603.5 Temperature limitations. Except where the equipment is marked otherwise, conductor ampacities used in determining equipment termination provisions shall be based on Table E3705.1. [110.14(C)(1)]

E3604.2.2 Vertical clearance from grade. Overhead service conductors shall have the following minimum clearances from final grade:

1. For conductors supported on and cabled together with a grounded bare messenger wire, the minimum vertical clearance shall be 3,050 mm (10 feet) at the

SECTION E3604

OVERHEAD SERVICE AND SERVICE-ENTRANCE CONDUCTOR INSTALLATION

E3604.1 Clearances on buildings. Open conductors and multiconductor cables without an overall outer jacket shall have a clearance of not less than 915 mm (3 feet) from the sides of doors, porches, decks, stairs, ladders, fire escapes and balconies, and from the sides and bottom of windows that open. See Figure E3604.1. [230.9(A)]

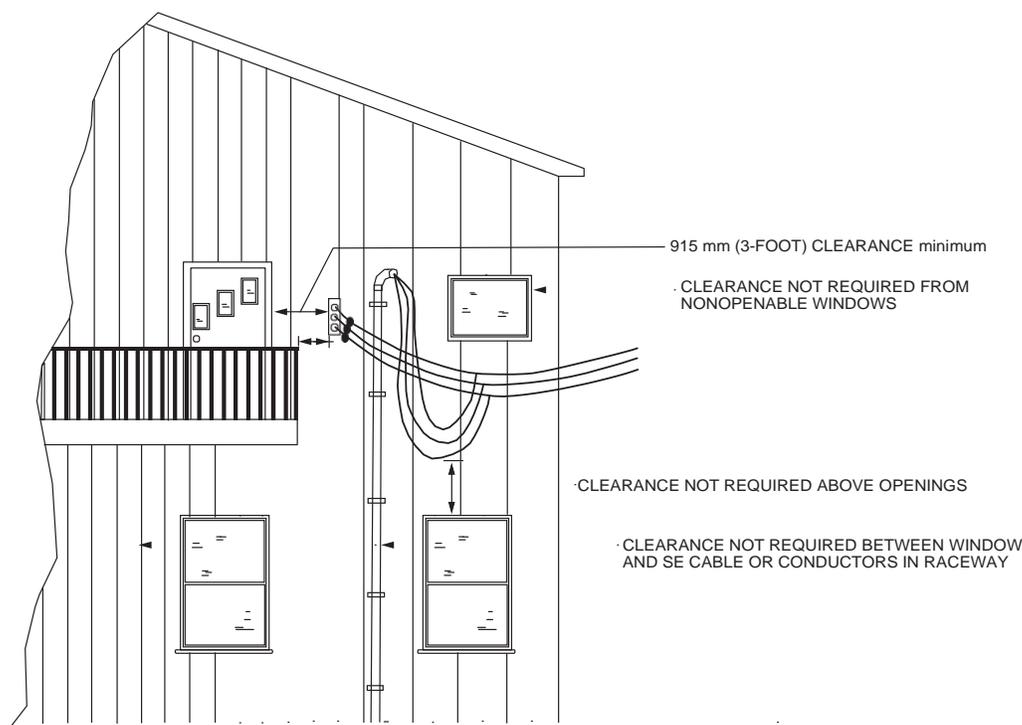
E3604.2 Vertical clearances. Overhead service conductors shall not have ready access and shall comply with Sections E3604.2.1 and E3604.2.2. (230.24)

E3604.2.1 Above roofs. Conductors shall have a vertical clearance of not less than 2,450 mm (8 feet) above the roof surface. The vertical clearance above the roof level shall be maintained for a distance of not less than 915 mm (3 feet) in all directions from the edge of the roof. See Figure E3604.2.1. [230.24(A)]

Exceptions:

- i. Conductors above a roof surface subject to pedestrian traffic shall have a vertical clearance from the roof surface in accordance with Section E3604.2.2. [230.24(A) Exception No. 1]
- ii. Where the roof has a slope of 100 mm (4 inches) in 305 mm (12 inches), or greater, the minimum clearance shall be 915 mm (3 feet). [230.24(A) Exception No. 2]
- iii. The minimum clearance above only the overhanging portion of the roof shall not be less than 455 mm (18 inches) where not more than 1,830 mm (6 feet) of overhead service conductor length passes over 1,220 mm (4 feet) or less of roof surface measured horizontally and such conductors are terminated at a through-the-roof raceway or approved support. [230.24(A) Exception No. 3]
- iv. The requirement for maintaining the vertical clearance for a distance of 915 mm (3 feet) from the edge of the roof shall not apply to the final conductor span where the service drop is attached to the side of a building. [230.24(A) Exception No. 4]
- v. Where the voltage between conductors does not exceed 300 and the roof area is guarded or isolated, a reduction in clearance to 915 mm (3 feet) shall be permitted. [230.24(A) Exception No. 5]

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For Inch Pond Units: 1 mm = 0.00328 foot.

FIGURE E3604.1
CLEARANCES FROM BUILDING OPENINGS

electric service entrance to buildings, at the lowest point of the drip loop of the building electric entrance, and above areas or sidewalks accessed by pedestrians only. Such clearance shall be measured from final grade or other accessible surfaces.

1. Three thousand six hundred and sixty (Twelve feet)—over residential property and driveways.
2. Five thousand five hundred millimetres (Eighteen feet)—over public streets, alleys, roads or parking areas subject to truck traffic. [(230.24(B)(1), (2), and (4)]

E3604.3 Point of attachment. The point of attachment of the overhead service conductors to a building or other structure shall provide the minimum clearances as specified in Sections E3604.1 through E3604.2.2. The point of attachment shall be not less than 3,050 mm (10 feet) above finished grade. (230.26)

E3604.4 Means of attachment. Multiconductor cables used for overhead service conductors shall be attached to buildings or other structures by fittings approved for the purpose. (230.27)

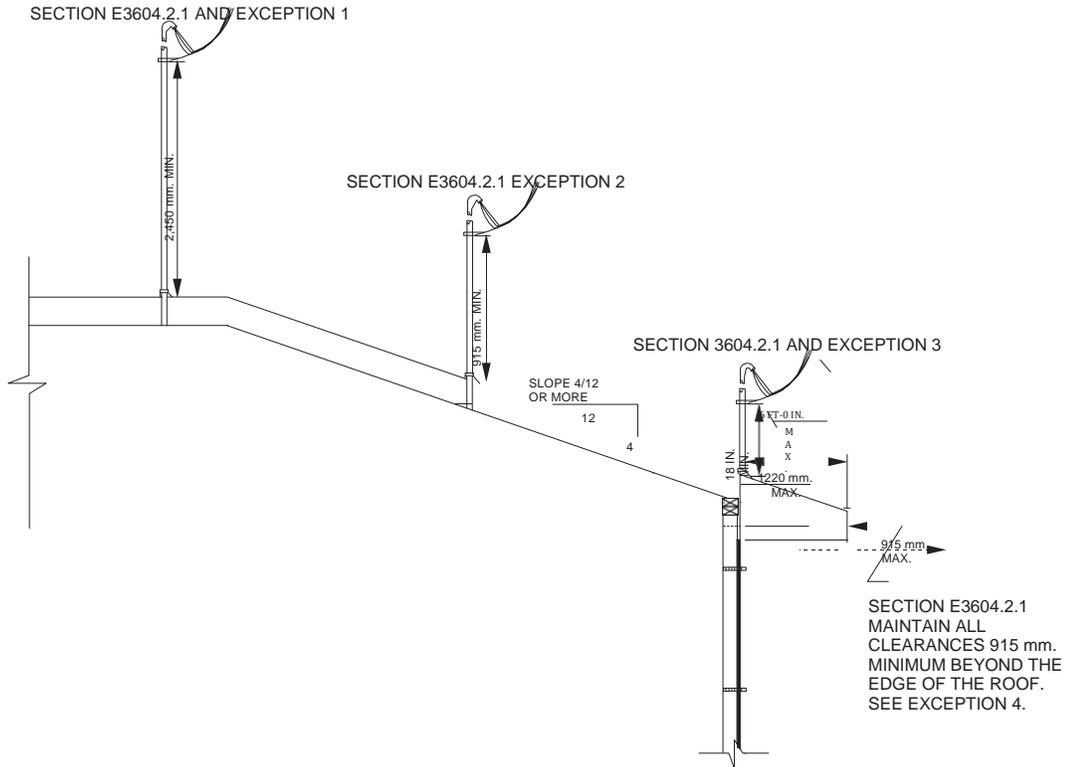
E3604.5 Service masts as supports. A service mast used for the support of service-drop or overhead service conductors shall comply with Sections E3604.5.1 and E3604.5.2. Only

power service drop or overhead service conductors shall be attached to a service mast.

E3604.5.1 Strength. The service mast shall be of adequate strength or shall be supported by braces or guys to safely withstand the strain imposed by the service-drop or overhead service conductors. Hubs intended for use with a conduit that serves as a service mast shall be identified for use with service-entrance equipment.

E3604.5.2 Attachment. Service-drop or overhead service conductors shall not be attached to a service mast at a point between a coupling and a weatherhead or the end of the conduit, where the coupling is located above the last point of securement of the building or other structure or is located above the building or other structure. [230.28(A) & (B)]

E3604.6 Supports over buildings. Service conductors passing over a roof shall be securely supported by a substantial structure. For a grounded system, where the substantial structure is metal, it shall be bonded by means of a bonding jumper and listed connector to the grounded overhead service conductor. Where practicable, such supports shall be independent of the building. (230.29)



For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch = 25.4 mm, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot.

**FIGURE E3604.2.1
CLEARANCES FROM ROOFS**

**SECTION E3605
SERVICE-ENTRANCE CONDUCTORS**

E3605.1 Insulation of service-entrance conductors. Service-entrance conductors entering or on the exterior of buildings or other structures shall be insulated in accordance with Section E3406.5. (230.41)

Exceptions:

- a. A copper grounded conductor shall not be required to be insulated where it is:
 - i. In a raceway or part of a service cable assembly,
 - ii. Directly buried in soil of suitable condition, or
 - iii. Part of a cable assembly listed for direct burial without regard to soil conditions.
- b. An aluminum or copper-clad aluminum grounded conductor shall not be required to be insulated where part of a cable or where identified for direct burial or utilization in underground raceways. (230.41 Exception)

E3605.2 Wiring methods for services. Service-entrance wiring methods shall be installed in accordance with the applicable requirements in Chapter 38. (230.43)

E3605.3 Spliced conductors. Service-entrance conductors shall be permitted to be spliced or tapped. Splices shall be

made in enclosures or, if directly buried, with listed underground splice kits. Conductor splices shall be made in accordance with Chapters 34, 37, 38 and 39. (230.33, 230.46)

E3605.4 Protection of underground service entrance conductors. Underground service-entrance conductors shall be protected against physical damage in accordance with Chapter 38. (230.32)

E3605.5 Protection of all other service cables. Above-ground service-entrance cables, where subject to physical damage, shall be protected by one or more of the following: rigid metal conduit, intermediate metal conduit, Schedule 80 PVC conduit, electrical metallic tubing, reinforced thermosetting resin conduit or other approved means. [230.50(1)]

E3605.6 Locations exposed to direct sunlight. Insulated conductors and cables used where exposed to direct rays of the sun shall comply with one of the following:

1. The conductors and cables shall be listed, or listed and marked, as being sunlight resistant.
2. The conductors and cables are covered with insulating material, such as tape or sleeving, that is listed, or listed and marked, as being sunlight resistant. [310.10(D)]

E3605.7 Mounting supports. Service-entrance cables shall be supported by straps or other approved means within 305 mm (12 inches) of every service head, gooseneck or connec-

tion to a raceway or enclosure and at intervals not exceeding 760 mm (30 inches). [230.51(A)]

E3605.8 Raceways to drain. Where exposed to the weather, raceways enclosing service-entrance conductors shall be listed or approved for use in wet locations and arranged to drain. Where embedded in masonry, raceways shall be arranged to drain. (230.53)

E3605.9 Overhead service locations. Connections at service heads shall be in accordance with Sections E3605.9.1 through E3605.9.7. (230.54)

E3605.9.1 Rain-tight service head. Service raceways shall be equipped with a service head at the point of connection to service-drop or overhead conductors. The service head shall be listed for use in wet locations. [230.54(A)]

E3605.9.2 Service cable, service head or gooseneck. Service-entrance cable shall be equipped with a service head or shall be formed into a gooseneck in an approved manner. The service head shall be listed for use in wet locations. [230.54(B)]

E3605.9.3 Service-head location. Service heads on raceways or service-entrance cables, and goosenecks in service-entrance cables, shall be located above the point of support for the service-drop or overhead service conductors to the building or other structure. [230.54(C)]

Exception: Where it is impracticable to locate the service head or gooseneck above the point of attachment, the service head or gooseneck location shall be not more than 610 mm (24 inches) from the point of attachment. [230.54(C) Exception]

E3605.9.4 Separately bushed openings. Service heads shall have conductors of different potential brought out through separately bushed openings. [230.54(E)]

E3605.9.5 Drip loops. Drip loops shall be formed on individual conductors. To prevent the entrance of moisture, service-entrance conductors shall be connected to the service-drop or overhead conductors either below the level of the service head or below the level of the termination of the service-entrance cable sheath. [230.54(F)]

E3605.9.6 Conductor arrangement. Service-entrance and overhead service conductors shall be arranged so that water will not enter service raceways or equipment. [230.54(G)]

E3605.9.7 Secured. Service-entrance cables shall be held securely in place. [230.54(D)]

SECTION E3606 SERVICE EQUIPMENT—GENERAL

E3606.1 Service equipment enclosures. Energized parts of service equipment shall be enclosed. (230.62)

E3606.2 Working space. The working space in the vicinity of service equipment shall be not less than that specified in Chapter 34. (110.26)

E3606.3 Available short-circuit current. Service equipment shall be suitable for the maximum fault current avail-

able at its supply terminals, but not less than 10,000 amperes. (110.9)

E3606.4 Marking. Service equipment shall be marked to identify it as being suitable for use as service equipment. Service equipment shall be listed or field labelled. Individual meter socket enclosures shall not be considered as service equipment but shall be listed and rated for the voltage and ampacity of the service. (230.66)

Exception: Meter sockets supplied by and under the exclusive control of an electric utility shall not be required to be listed. (230.66 Exception)

SECTION E3607 SYSTEM GROUNDING

E3607.1 System service ground. The premises wiring system shall be grounded at the service with a grounding electrode conductor connected to a grounding electrode system as required by this code. Grounding electrode conductors shall be sized in accordance with Table E3603.4. [250.20(B)(1) and 250.24(A)]

E3607.2 Location of grounding electrode conductor connection. The grounding electrode conductor shall be connected to the grounded service conductor at any accessible point from the load end of the overhead service conductors, service drop, underground service conductors, or service lateral to and including the terminal or bus to which the grounded service conductor is connected at the service disconnecting means. A grounding connection shall not be made to any grounded circuit conductor on the load side of the service disconnecting means, except as provided in Section E3607.3.2. [250.24(A)(1) and (A)(5)]

E3607.3 Buildings or structures supplied by feeder(s) or branch circuit(s). Buildings or structures supplied by feeder(s) or branch circuit(s) shall have a grounding electrode or grounding electrode system installed in accordance with Section E3608. The grounding electrode conductor(s) shall be connected in a manner specified in Section E3607.3.1 or, for existing premises wiring systems only, Section E3607.3.2. Where there is no existing grounding electrode, the grounding electrode(s) required in Section E3608 shall be installed. [250.32(A)]

Exception: A grounding electrode shall not be required where only one branch circuit, including a multiwire branch circuit, supplies the building or structure and the branch circuit includes an equipment local grounding conductor for grounding the noncurrent-carrying parts of all equipment. For the purposes of this section, a multiwire branch circuit shall be considered as a single branch circuit. [250.32(A) Exception]

E3607.3.1 Equipment grounding conductor. An equipment local grounding conductor as described in Section E3908 shall be run with the supply conductors and connected to the building or structure disconnecting means and to the grounding electrode(s). The equipment local grounding conductor shall be used for grounding or bonding of equipment, structures or frames required to be grounded or bonded. The equipment local grounding conductor shall be sized in

cordance with Section E3908.12. Any installed grounded conductor shall not be connected to the equipment grounding conductor or to the grounding electrode(s). [250.32(B) and Table 250.122]

E3607.3.2 Grounded conductor, existing premises. For installations made in compliance with previous editions of this code that permitted such connection and where an equipment local grounding conductor is not run with the supply conductors to the building or structure, there are no continuous metallic paths bonded to the grounding system in both buildings or structures involved, and ground-fault protection of equipment has not been installed on the supply side of the feeder(s), the grounded conductor run with the supply to the buildings or structure shall be connected to the building or structure disconnecting means and to the grounding electrode(s) and shall be used for grounding or bonding of equipment, structures, or frames required to be grounded or bonded. Where used for grounding in accordance with this provision, the grounded conductor shall be not smaller than the larger of:

- a. That required by Section E3704.3.
- b. That required by Section E3908.12. [250.32(B)(1) Exception]

E3607.4 Grounding electrode conductor. A grounding electrode conductor shall be used to connect the equipment local grounding conductors, the service equipment enclosures, and the grounded service conductor to the grounding electrode(s). This conductor shall be sized in accordance with Table E3603.4. [250.24(D)]

E3607.5 Main bonding jumper. An unspliced main bonding jumper shall be used to connect the equipment local grounding conductor(s) and the service-disconnect enclosure to the grounded conductor of the system within the enclosure for each service disconnect. [250.24(B)]

E3607.6 Common grounding electrode. Where an AC system is connected to a grounding electrode in or at a building or structure, the same electrode shall be used to ground conductor enclosures and equipment in or on that building or structure. Where separate services, feeders or branch circuits supply a building and are required to be connected to a grounding electrode(s), the same grounding electrode(s) shall be used. Two or more grounding electrodes that are effectively bonded together shall be considered as a single grounding electrode system. (250.58)

SECTION E3608 GROUNDING ELECTRODE SYSTEM

E3608.1 Grounding electrode system. All electrodes specified in Sections E3608.1.1, E3608.1.2, E3608.1.3, E3608.1.4, E3608.1.5 and E3608.1.6 that are present at each building or structure served shall be bonded together to form the grounding electrode system. Where none of these electrodes are present, one or more of the electrodes specified in Sections E3608.1.3, E3608.1.4, E3608.1.5 and E3608.1.6 shall be installed and used. (250.50)

Exception: Concrete-encased electrodes of existing buildings or structures shall not be required to be part of the

grounding electrode system where the steel reinforcing bars or rods are not accessible for use without disturbing the concrete. (250.50 Exception)

E3608.1.1 Metal underground water pipe. A metal underground water pipe that is in direct contact with the earth for 3,050 mm (10 feet) or more, including any well casing effectively bonded to the pipe and that is electrically continuous, or made electrically continuous by bonding around insulating joints or insulating pipe to the points of connection of the grounding electrode conductor and the bonding conductors, shall be considered as a grounding electrode (see Section E3608.1). [250.52(A)(1)]

E3608.1.1.1 Interior metal water piping. Interior metal water piping located more than 1,525 mm (5 feet) from the point of entrance into the building shall not be used as a conductor to interconnect electrodes of the grounding electrode system. [250.68(C)(1)]

E3608.1.1.2 Installation. Continuity of the grounding path or the bonding connection to interior piping shall not rely on water meters, filtering devices and similar equipment. A metal underground water pipe shall be supplemented by an additional electrode of a type specified in Sections E3608.1.2 through E3608.1.6. The supplemental electrode shall be bonded to the grounding electrode conductor, the grounded service-entrance conductor, a nonflexible grounded service raceway, any grounded service enclosure or to the equipment local grounding conductor provided in accordance with Section E3607.3.1. Where the supplemental electrode is a rod, pipe or plate electrode in accordance with Section E3608.1.4 or E3608.1.5, it shall comply with Section E3608.4.

Where the supplemental electrode is a rod, pipe or plate electrode in accordance with Section E3608.1.4 or E3608.1.5, that portion of the bonding jumper that is the sole connection to the supplemental grounding electrode shall not be required to be larger than 10 mm² metric or 6 AWG copper or alternatively 16 mm² metric or 4 AWG aluminum wire. [250.53(D) and (E)]

E3608.1.2 Concrete-encased electrode. A concrete-encased electrode consisting of not less than 6,100 mm (20 feet) of either of the following shall be considered as a grounding electrode:

1. One or more bare or zinc-galvanized or other electrically conductive coated steel reinforcing bars or rods not less than 12.5 mm (1/2 inch) in diameter, installed in one continuous 6,100 mm (20-foot) length, or if in multiple pieces connected together by the usual steel tie wires, exothermic welding, welding, or other effective means to create a 6,100 mm (20-foot) or greater length.
2. A bare copper conductor not smaller than 16 mm² metric or 4 AWG.

Metallic components shall be encased by at least 51 mm (2 inches) of concrete and shall be located horizontally within that portion of a concrete foundation or footing

that is in direct contact with the earth or within vertical foundations or structural components or members that are in direct contact with the earth.

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Where multiple concrete-encased electrodes are present at a building or structure, only one shall be required to be bonded into the grounding electrode system. [250.52(A)(3)]

E3608.1.3 Ground rings. A ground ring encircling the building or structure, in direct contact with the earth at a depth below the earth's surface of not less than 760 mm (30 inches), consisting of at least 6,100 mm (20 feet) of bare copper conductor not smaller than 25 mm² metric or 2 AWG shall be considered as a grounding electrode. [250.52(A)(4)]

E3608.1.4 Rod and pipe electrodes. Rod and pipe electrodes not less than 2,450 mm (8 feet) in length and consisting of the following materials shall be considered as a grounding electrode:

- a. Grounding electrodes of pipe or conduit shall not be smaller than trade size 21 (³/₄ IPU designator) and, where of iron or steel, shall have the outer surface galvanized or otherwise metal-coated for corrosion protection.
- b. Rod-type grounding electrodes of stainless steel and copper or zinc-coated steel shall be at least 16 mm (⁵/₈ inch) in diameter unless listed. [250.52(A)(5)]

E3608.1.4.1 Installation. The rod and pipe electrodes shall be installed such that at least 2,450 mm (8 feet) of length is in contact with the soil. They shall be driven to a depth of not less than 2,450 mm (8 feet) except that, where rock bottom is encountered, electrodes shall be driven at an oblique angle not to exceed 45 degrees (0.79 rad) from the vertical or shall be buried in a trench that is at least 760 mm (30 inches) deep. The upper end of the electrodes shall be flush with or below ground level except where the above-ground end and the grounding electrode conductor attachment are protected against physical damage. (250.53(G))

E3608.1.5 Plate electrodes. A plate electrode that exposes not less than 0.186 m² (2 square feet) of surface to exterior soil shall be considered as a grounding electrode. Electrodes of bare or electrically conductive coated iron or steel plates shall be not less than 6.35 mm (¹/₄ inch) in thickness. Solid, uncoated electrodes of nonferrous metal shall be not less than 1.5 mm (0.06 inch) in thickness. Plate electrodes shall be installed not less than 760 mm (30 inches) below the surface of the earth. [250.52(A)(7)]

E3608.1.6 Other electrodes. In addition to the grounding electrodes specified in Sections E3608.1.1 through E3608.1.5, other listed grounding electrodes shall be permitted. [250.52(A)(6)]

E3608.2 Bonding jumper. The bonding jumper(s) used to connect the grounding electrodes together to form the grounding electrode system shall be installed in accordance with Sections E3610.2, and E3610.3, shall be sized in accordance with Section E3603.4, and shall be connected in the manner specified in Section E3611.1. [250.53(C)]

E3608.3 Rod, pipe and plate electrode requirements. Where practicable, rod, pipe and plate electrodes shall be embedded below permanent moisture level. Such electrodes shall be free from nonconductive coatings such as paint or enamel. Where more than one such

electrode is used, each

electrode of one grounding system shall be not less than 1,830 mm (6 feet) from any other electrode of another grounding system. Two or more grounding electrodes that are effectively bonded together shall be considered as a single grounding electrode system. That portion of a bonding jumper that is the sole connection to a rod, pipe or plate electrode shall not be required to be larger than 10 mm² metric or 6 AWG copper or alternatively 16 mm² metric or 4 AWG aluminum wire. [250.53(A)(1), 250.53(B), 250.53(E)]

E3608.4 Supplemental electrode required. A single rod, pipe, or plate electrode shall be supplemented by an additional electrode of a type specified in Sections E3608.1.2 through E3608.1.6. The supplemental electrode shall be bonded to one of the following:

1. A rod, pipe, or plate electrode.
2. A grounding electrode conductor.
3. A grounded service-entrance conductor.
4. A nonflexible grounded service raceway.
5. A grounded service enclosure.

Where multiple rod, pipe, or plate electrodes are installed to meet the requirements of this section, they shall not be less than 1,830 mm (6 feet) apart. [250.53(A)(2) and (A)(3)]

Exception: Where a single rod, pipe, or plate grounding electrode has a resistance to earth of 25 ohms or less, the supplemental electrode shall not be required. [250.53(A)(2) Exception]

E3608.5 Aluminum electrodes. Aluminum electrodes shall not be permitted. [250.52(B)(2)]

E3608.6 Metal underground gas piping system. A metal underground gas piping system shall not be used as a grounding electrode. [250.52(B)(1)]

E3608.7 Pool, spa and hot tub structures and structural reinforcing steel. The structures and structural reinforcing steel described in Section E4204.2, Items 1 and 2, shall not be used as a grounding electrode.

SECTION E3609 BONDING

E3609.1 General. Bonding shall be provided where necessary to ensure electrical continuity and the capacity to conduct safely any fault current likely to be imposed. (250.90)

E3609.2 Bonding of equipment for services. The noncurrent-carrying metal parts of the following equipment shall be effectively bonded together:

1. Raceways or service cable armor or sheath

that enclose, contain, or support service conductors.

2. Service enclosures containing service conductors, including meter fittings, and boxes, interposed in the service raceway or armor. [250.92(A)]

E3609.3 Bonding for communications systems. Communications system bonding terminations shall be connected in accordance with Section E3609.3.1 or E3609.3.2. (250.94)

E3609.3.1 Intersystem bonding termination device. An intersystem bonding termination (IBT) for connecting

intersystem bonding conductors shall be provided external to enclosures at the service equipment or metering equipment enclosure and at the disconnecting means for any additional buildings or structures. An IBT shall comply with all of the following:

- a. It shall be accessible for connection and inspection.
- b. It shall consist of a set of terminals with the capacity for connection of not less than three intersystem bonding conductors.
- c. It shall not interfere with opening of the enclosure for a service, building or structure disconnecting means, or metering equipment.
- d. Where located at the service equipment, it shall be securely mounted and electrically connected to an enclosure for the service equipment, to the meter enclosure, or to an exposed nonflexible metallic service raceway, or shall be mounted at one of these enclosures and connected to the enclosure or to the grounding electrode conductor with a 10 mm² metric or 6 AWG or larger copper conductor.
- e. Where located at the disconnecting means for a building or structure, it shall be securely mounted and electrically connected to the metallic enclosure for the building or structure disconnecting means, or shall be mounted at the disconnecting means and connected to the metallic enclosure or to the grounding electrode conductor with a 10 mm² metric or 6 AWG or larger copper conductor.
- f. It shall be listed as grounding and bonding equipment. [250.94(A)]

Exception: Means for connecting intersystem bonding conductors are not required where communications systems are not likely to be used.

E3609.3.2 An aluminum or copper busbar not less than 6.4 mm thick by 51 mm wide (¹/₄ inch thick by 2 inches wide) and of sufficient length to accommodate not fewer than three terminations for communications systems in addition to other connections shall be provided. The busbar shall be securely fastened and shall be installed in an accessible location. Connections shall be made by a listed connector. Where aluminum busbars are used, the installation shall comply with Section E3610.2.

Exception: Means for connecting intersystem bonding conductors are not required where communications systems are not likely to be used. [250.94(B)]

E3609.4 Method of bonding at the service. Bonding jumpers meeting the requirements of this chapter shall be used around impaired connections, such as reducing washers or oversized, concentric, or eccentric knockouts. Standard locknuts or bushings shall not be the only means for the bonding required by this section but shall be permitted to be installed to make mechanical connections of raceways. Electrical continuity at service equipment, service raceways and service conductor enclosures shall be ensured by one or more of the methods specified in Sections E3609.4.1 through E3609.4.4.

E3609.4.1 Grounded service conductor. Equipment shall be bonded to the local grounded service conductor in a manner provided in this code.

E3609.4.2 Threaded connections. Equipment shall be bonded by connections using threaded couplings or threaded hubs on enclosures. Such connections shall be made wrench tight.

E3609.4.3 Threadless couplings and connectors. Equipment shall be bonded by threadless couplings and connectors for metal raceways and metal-clad cables. Such couplings and connectors shall be made wrench tight. Standard locknuts or bushings shall not be used for the bonding required by this section.

E3609.4.4 Other devices. Equipment shall be bonded by other listed devices, such as bonding-type locknuts, bushings and bushings with bonding jumpers. [250.92(B)]

E3609.5 Sizing supply-side bonding jumper and main bonding jumper. The bonding jumper shall not be smaller than the sizes shown in Table E3603.4 for grounding electrode conductors. Where the service-entrance conductors are paralleled in two or more raceways or cables, and an individual supply-side bonding jumper is used for bonding these raceways or cables, the supply-side bonding jumper for each raceway or cable shall be selected from Table E3603.4 based on the size of the ungrounded supply conductors in each raceway or cable. A single supply-side bonding jumper installed for bonding two or more raceways or cables shall be sized in accordance with Table E3603.4 based on the largest set of parallel ungrounded supply conductors. [250.102(C)]

E3609.6 Metal water piping bonding. The metal water piping system shall be bonded to the service equipment enclosure, the grounded conductor at the service, the grounding electrode conductor where of sufficient size, or to the one or more grounding electrodes used. The bonding jumper shall be sized in accordance with Table E3603.4. The points of attachment of the bonding jumper(s) shall be accessible. [250.104(A) and 250.104(A)(1)]

E3609.7 Bonding other metal piping. Where installed in or attached to a building or structure, metal piping systems, including gas piping, capable of becoming energized shall be bonded to the service equipment enclosure, the grounded conductor at the service, the grounding electrode conductor where of sufficient size, or to the one or more grounding electrodes used. The bonding conductor(s) or jumper(s) shall be sized in accordance with Table E3908.12 and equipment local grounding conductors shall be sized in accordance with Table E3908.12 using the rating of the circuit capable of energizing the piping. The equipment local grounding conductor for the circuit that is capable of energizing the piping shall be permitted to serve as the bonding means. The points of attachment of the bonding jumper(s) shall be accessible. [250.104(B)]

SECTION E3610 GROUNDING ELECTRODE CONDUCTORS

E3610.1 Continuous. The grounding electrode conductor shall be installed in one continuous length without splices or joints and shall run to any convenient grounding electrode

available in the grounding electrode system where the other electrode(s), if any, are connected by bonding jumpers in accordance with Section E3608.2, or to one or more grounding electrode(s) individually. The grounding electrode conductor shall be sized for the largest grounding electrode conductor required among all of the electrodes connected to it. [250.64(C)]

Exception: Splicing of the grounding electrode conductor by irreversible compression-type connectors listed as grounding and bonding equipment or by the exothermic welding process shall not be prohibited. [250.64(C)(1)]

E3610.2 Securing and protection against physical damage. Where exposed, a grounding electrode conductor or its enclosure shall be securely fastened to the surface on which it is carried. Grounding electrode conductors shall be permitted to be installed on or through framing members. A 10 mm² metric or 6 AWG or larger copper or aluminum grounding electrode conductor not exposed to physical damage shall be permitted to be run along the surface of the building construction without metal covering or protection. A 10 mm² metric or 6 AWG or larger copper or aluminum grounding electrode exposed to physical damage shall be in rigid metal conduit, intermediate metal conduit, rigid polyvinyl chloride (PVC), nonmetallic conduit, reinforced thermosetting resin (RTRC-XW) nonmetallic conduit, electrical metallic tubing or cable armor. Grounding electrode conductors smaller than 10 mm² metric or 6 AWG shall be in rigid metal conduit, intermediate metal conduit, rigid polyvinyl chloride (PVC) nonmetallic conduit, reinforced thermosetting resin (RTRC-XW) nonmetallic conduit, electrical metallic tubing or cable armor. Grounding electrode conductors and grounding electrode bonding jumpers in contact with the earth shall not be required to comply with Section E3803, but shall be buried or otherwise protected if subject to physical damage. [250.64(B)]

Bare aluminum or copper-clad aluminum grounding electrode conductors shall not be used where in direct contact with masonry or the earth or where subject to corrosive conditions. Where used outside, aluminum or copper-clad aluminum grounding electrode conductors shall not be installed within 1,830 mm (18 inches) of the earth. [250.64(A)]

E3610.3 Raceways and enclosures for grounding electrode conductors. Ferrous metal raceways and enclosures for grounding electrode conductors shall be electrically continuous from the point of attachment to cabinets or equipment to the grounding electrode, and shall be securely fastened to the ground clamp or fitting. Ferrous metal raceways and enclosures shall be bonded at each end of the raceway or enclosure to the grounding electrode or to the grounding electrode conductor to create an electrically parallel path. Nonferrous metal raceways and enclosures shall not be required to be electrically continuous. Bonding methods in compliance with Section E3609.4 for installations at service equipment locations and with Sections E3609.4.2 through E3609.4.4 for other than service equipment locations shall apply at each end and to all intervening ferrous raceways, boxes, and enclosures between the cabinets or equipment and the grounding electrode. The bonding jumper for a grounding electrode conductor raceway shall be the same size or larger than the required enclosed grounding electrode conductor.

Where a raceway is used as protection for a grounding conductor, the installation shall comply with the requirements of Chapter 38. [250.64(E)(1), (2), (3), (4)]

E3610.4 Prohibited use. An equipment grounding conductor shall not be used as a grounding electrode conductor. (250.121)

Exception: A wire-type equipment grounding conductor shall be permitted to serve as both an equipment grounding conductor and a grounding electrode conductor where installed in accordance with the applicable requirements for both the equipment grounding conductor and the grounding electrode conductor in Chapters 36 and 39. Where used as a grounding electrode conductor, the wire-type equipment grounding conductor shall be installed and arranged in a manner that will prevent objectionable current. [250.121 Exception, 250.6(A)]

SECTION E3611 GROUNDING ELECTRODE CONDUCTOR CONNECTION TO THE GROUNDING ELECTRODES

E3611.1 Methods of grounding conductor connection to electrodes. The grounding or bonding conductor shall be connected to the grounding electrode by exothermic welding, listed lugs, listed pressure connectors, listed clamps or other listed means. Connections depending on solder shall not be used. Ground clamps shall be listed for the materials of the grounding electrode and the grounding electrode conductor and, where used on pipe, rod or other buried electrodes, shall also be listed for direct soil burial or concrete encasement. Not more than one conductor shall be connected to the grounding electrode by a single clamp or fitting unless the clamp or fitting is listed for multiple conductors. One of the methods indicated in the following items shall be used:

1. A pipe fitting, pipe plug or other approved device screwed into a pipe or pipe fitting.
2. A listed bolted clamp of cast bronze or brass, or plain or malleable iron.
3. For indoor communications purposes only, a listed sheet metal strap-type ground clamp having a rigid metal base that seats on the electrode and having a strap of such material and dimensions that it is not likely to stretch during or after installation.
4. Other equally substantial approved means. (250.70)

E3611.2 Accessibility. All mechanical elements used to terminate a grounding electrode conductor or bonding jumper to the grounding electrodes that are not buried or concrete encased shall be accessible. [250.68(A) and 250.68(A) Exception]

E3611.3 Effective grounding path. The connection of the grounding electrode conductor or bonding jumper shall be made in a manner that will ensure a permanent and effective grounding path. Where necessary to ensure effective grounding for a metal piping system used as a grounding electrode, effective bonding shall be provided around insulated joints and sections and around any equipment that is likely to be disconnected for repairs or replacement. Bonding jumpers

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shall be of sufficient length to permit removal of such equipment while retaining the integrity of the grounding path. [250.68(B)]

E3611.4 Interior metal water piping. Where grounding electrode conductors and bonding jumpers are connected to interior metal water piping as a means to extend the grounding electrode conductor connection to an electrode(s), such piping shall be located not more than 1,525 mm (5 feet) from the point of entry into the building.

Where interior metal water piping is used as a conductor to interconnect electrodes that are part of the grounding electrode system, such piping shall be located not more than 1,525 mm (5 feet) from the point of entry into the building. [250.68(C)(1)]

E3611.5 Rebar type concrete-encased electrode. Where a grounding electrode conductor or bonding jumper is connected to a rebar extended from the location of a rebar-type concrete-encased electrode installed in accordance with Section E3608.1.2, the point of connection to the rebar extension shall be in an accessible location that is not subject to corrosion of the rebar. The rebar extension shall not be exposed to contact with the earth without corrosion protection. [250.68(C)(3)]

E3611.6 Protection of ground clamps and fittings. Ground clamps or other fittings shall be approved for applications without protection or shall be protected from physical damage by installing them where they are not likely to be damaged or by enclosing them in metal, wood or equivalent protective coverings. (250.10)

E3611.7 Clean surfaces. Nonconductive coatings (such as paint, enamel and lacquer) on equipment to be grounded shall be removed from threads and other contact surfaces to ensure good electrical continuity or shall be connected by fittings that make such removal unnecessary. (250.12)

CHAPTER 37

BRANCH CIRCUIT AND FEEDER REQUIREMENTS

ICC user note:

About this chapter: Chapter 37 addresses the sizing of conductors for feeders and branch circuits, specifies the required branch circuits, provides for overcurrent protection of such conductors, specifies limitations for branch circuit loading, and addresses panel board ratings and protection. Design and installation processes move directly from the service to feeders and branch circuits.

SECTION E3701 GENERAL

E3701.1 Scope. This chapter covers branch circuits and feeders and specifies the minimum required branch circuits, the allowable loads and the required overcurrent protection for branch circuits and feeders that serve less than 100 percent of the total dwelling unit load. Feeder circuits that serve 100 percent of the dwelling unit load shall be sized in accordance with the procedures in Chapter 36. [310.15(B)(7)(2)]

E3701.2 Branch-circuit and feeder ampacity. Branch-circuit and feeder conductors shall have ampacities not less than the maximum load to be served. Where a branch circuit or a feeder supplies continuous loads or any combination of continuous and noncontinuous loads, the minimum branch-circuit or feeder conductor size, before the application of any adjustment or correction factors, shall have an allowable ampacity equal to or greater than the noncontinuous load plus 125 percent of the continuous load. [210.19(A)(1)(a) and 215.2(A)(1)(a)]

Exception: The grounded conductors of feeders that are not connected to an overcurrent device shall be permitted to be sized at 100 percent of the continuous and noncontinuous load. [215.1(A)(1) Exception No. 2]

E3701.3 Selection of ampacity. Where more than one calculated or tabulated ampacity could apply for a given circuit length, the lowest value shall be used. [310.15(A)(2)]

Exception: Where different ampacities apply to portions of a circuit, the higher ampacity shall be permitted to be used where the total portion(s) of the circuit with the lower ampacity does not exceed the lesser of 3,050 mm (10 feet) or 10 percent of the total circuit. [310.15(A)(2) Exception]

E3701.4 Branch circuits with more than one receptacle. Conductors of branch circuits supplying more than one receptacle for cord-and-plug-connected portable loads shall have ampacities of not less than the rating of the circuit breaker that protects the branch circuit. [210.19(A)(2)]

E3701.5 Multiwire branch circuits. All conductors for multiwire branch circuits shall originate from the same panelboard or similar distribution equipment. Except where all ungrounded conductors are opened simultaneously by the branch-circuit

overcurrent device, multiwire branch circuits shall supply only line-to-neutral loads or only one appliance. [210.4(A) and 210.4(C)]

E3701.5.1 Disconnecting means. Each multiwire branch circuit shall be provided with a means that will simultaneously disconnect all ungrounded conductors at the point where the branch circuit originates. [210.4(B)]

E3701.5.2 Grouping. The ungrounded and grounded circuit conductors of each multiwire branch circuit shall be grouped by wire markers, cable ties or similar means in at least one location within the panelboard or other point of origination. [200.4(B)]

Exception: Grouping shall not be required where the circuit conductors enter from a cable or raceway unique to the circuit, thereby making the grouping obvious, or where the conductors pass through a box or conduit body without a loop as described in Section E3905.12.2.1 or without a splice or termination. [200.4(B) Exception 1 and 2].

SECTION E3702 BRANCH CIRCUIT RATINGS

E3702.1 Branch-circuit voltage limitations. The voltage ratings of branch circuits that supply luminaires or receptacles for cord-and-plug-connected loads of up to 1,400 volt-amperes or of less than 0.186 kW ($\frac{1}{4}$ horsepower) shall be limited to a maximum rating of 120 volts, nominal, between conductors.

Branch circuits that supply cord-and-plug-connected or permanently connected utilization equipment and appliances rated at over 1,440 volt-amperes or 0.186 kW ($\frac{1}{4}$ horsepower) and greater shall be rated at 120 volts or 240 volts, nominal. [210.6(A), (B), and (C)]

E3702.2 Branch-circuit ampere rating. Branch circuits shall be rated in accordance with the maximum allowable ampere rating or setting of the overcurrent protection device. The rating for other than individual branch circuits shall be 15, 20, 30, 40 and 50 amperes. Where conductors of higher ampacity are

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used, the ampere rating or setting of the specified over-current device shall determine the circuit rating. (210.18)

E3702.3 Fifteen- and 20-ampere branch circuits. A 15- or 20-ampere branch circuit shall be permitted to supply lighting units, or general convenience outlets outside of the kitchen and laundry areas.

The kitchen shall have a 20 Amp 110 Volt dedicated (serving a single appliance) circuits for a refrigerator, a microwave or toaster oven and a dishwasher if required. Other general convenience outlets at 150 mm (6 inches) above countertop and 455 mm (18 inches) above finished floor shall be provided as needed.

In the laundry area a 20 Amp 110 Volt dedicated circuit shall be provided for a washing machine and a clothes drier if required. Other general convenience outlets at 455 mm (18 inches) above finished floor shall be provided as needed.

The rating of any one cord-and-plug-connected utilization equipment not fastened in place shall not exceed 80 per- cent of the branch-circuit ampere rating. The total rating of utilization equipment fastened in place, other than luminaires, shall not exceed 50 percent of the branch-circuit ampere rating where lighting units, cord-and-plug-connected utilization equipment not fastened in place,, are also supplied. Except for general convenience outlet circuits where portable lighting units and utilisation equipment can be plugged in, a branch circuit shall either supply fixed lighting units or utilisation equipment. [210.23(A)(1) and (2)]

E3702.4 Thirty-ampere branch circuits. A 30-ampere branch circuit shall be permitted to supply fixed utilization equipment. A rating of any one cord-and-plug-connected utilization equipment shall not exceed 80 percent of the branch-circuit ampere rating. [210.23(B)]

E3702.5 Branch circuits serving multiple loads or outlets. General-purpose branch circuits shall supply lighting outlets, appliances, equipment or receptacle outlets, and combinations of such. Multioutlet branch circuits serving lighting or receptacles shall be limited to a maximum branch-circuit rating of 20 amperes. Except for general convenience outlet circuits where portable lighting units and utilisation equipment can be plugged in, a branch circuit shall either supply fixed lighting units or utilisation equipment. [210.23(A), (B), and (C)]

E3702.6 Branch circuits serving a single motor. Branch-circuit conductors supplying a single motor shall have an ampacity not less than 125 percent of the motor full-load current rating. [430.22(A)]

E3702.7 Branch circuits serving motor-operated and combination loads. For circuits supplying loads consisting of motor-operated utilization equipment that is fastened in place and that has a motor larger than 0.093 kW ($\frac{1}{8}$ horsepower) in combination with other loads, the total calculated load shall be based on 125 percent of the largest motor load plus the sum of the other loads. [220.18(A)]

E3702.8 Branch-circuit inductive and LED lighting loads. For circuits supplying luminaires having ballasts or LED drivers, the calculated load shall be based on the total ampere ratings of such units and not on the total watts of the lamps. [220.18(B)]

E3702.9 Branch-circuit load for ranges and

cooking appliances. It shall be permissible to calculate the branch-circuit load for one range in accordance with Table E3704.2(2). The branch-circuit load for one wall-mounted oven or one counter-mounted cooking unit shall be the nameplate rating of the appliance. The branch-circuit load for a counter-mounted cooking unit and not more than two wall-mounted ovens all supplied from a single branch circuit and located in the same room shall be calculated by adding the nameplate ratings of the individual appliances and treating the total as equivalent to one range. (220.55 Note 4)

E3702.9.1 Minimum branch circuit for ranges. Ranges with a rating of 8.75 kVA or more shall be supplied by a branch circuit having a minimum rating of 40 amperes. [210.19(A)(3)]

E3702.10 Branch circuits serving heating loads. Electric space-heating and water-heating appliances shall be considered to be continuous loads. Branch circuits supplying two or more outlets for fixed electric space-heating equipment shall be rated not over 30 amperes. [424.3(A)]

E3702.11 Branch circuits for air-conditioning and heat pump equipment. The ampacity of the conductors supplying multimotor and combination load equipment shall be not less than the minimum circuit ampacity marked on the equipment. The branch-circuit overcurrent device rating shall be the size and type marked on the appliance. [440.4(B), 440.35]

E3702.12 Branch circuits serving room air conditioners. A room air conditioner shall be considered as a single motor unit in determining its branch-circuit requirements where all the following conditions are met:

1. It is cord- and attachment plug-connected.
2. The rating is not more than 40 amperes and 250 volts; single phase.
3. Total rated-load current is shown on the room air-conditioner nameplate rather than individual motor currents.
4. The rating of the branch-circuit short-circuit and ground-fault protective device does not exceed the ampacity of the branch-circuit conductors, or the rating of the branch-circuit conductors, or the rating of the receptacle, whichever is less. [440.62(A)]

E3702.12.1 Where no other loads are supplied. The

**TABLE E3702.14 (Table 210.24)
BRANCH-CIRCUIT REQUIREMENTS-SUMMARY^{a, b}**

	CIRCUIT RATING		
	15 amp	20 amp	30 amp
Conductors: - Minimum size (AWG) circuit conductors. - Minimum size Metric circuit conductors. ^c	14 1.5 mm ²	12 2.5 mm ²	10 4 mm ²
Maximum overcurrent- protection device rating Ampere rating	15	20	30
Outlet devices:Lampholders permitted Receptacle rating (amperes)	Any type 15 maximum	Any type 15 or 20	N/A 30
Maximum load (amperes)	12	16	24

a. These gages are for copper conductors.

b. N/A = Not Allowed.

c. All convenience outlet circuits (15 amp or 20 amp) shall be wired with a minimum size conductor of 2.5 mm²

**SECTION E3703
REQUIRED BRANCH CIRCUITS**

E3703.1 Branch circuits for heating. In high elevation areas where central heating equipment other than fixed electric space heating is being utilized, such equipment shall be supplied by an individual branch circuit. Permanently connected air- conditioning equipment, and auxiliary equipment directly associated with the central heating

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total marked rating of a cord- and attachment plug-connected room air conditioner shall not exceed 80 percent of the rating of a branch circuit where no other appliances are also supplied. [440.62(B)]

E3702.12.2 Where lighting units or other appliances are also supplied. Lighting units or other appliances shall not be attached to a plug-connected room air conditioner branch circuit. All air conditioner branch circuit shall be the dedicated type. The total marked rating of a cord- and attachment plug-connected room air conditioner shall not exceed 80 percent of the rating of a branch circuit. [440.62(C)]

E3702.13 Electric vehicle branch circuit. Outlets installed for the purpose of charging electric vehicles shall be supplied by an individual branch circuit. Each circuit shall not supply other outlets. (625.40)

E3702.14 Branch-circuit requirement—summary. The requirements for circuits having two or more outlets, or receptacles, other than the receptacle circuits of Sections E3703.2, E3703.3 and E3703.4, are summarized in Table E3702.14. Branch circuits in dwelling units or non-residential buildings of 300 m² and less shall supply only loads within that dwelling unit or non-residential building or loads associated only with such buildings. Branch circuits installed for the purpose of lighting, central alarm, signal, communications or other purposes for public or common areas of a two-family dwelling or a multi-tenanted non-residential building shall not be supplied from equipment that supplies an individual dwelling or non-residential tenanted unit. Public or common area circuits shall be on their own panel-board and metered separately. (210.24 and 210.25)

equipment such as pumps, motorized valves, humidifiers and electrostatic air cleaners directly associated with the central heating equipment, shall not be prohibited from connecting to the same branch circuit as the central heating equipment. (422.12 and 422.12 Exceptions No. 1 and No. 2)

E3703.2 Kitchen and dining area receptacles. A minimum of one 20-ampere-rated branch circuit (for refrigerator) shall be provided to serve all wall and floor receptacle outlets located in the kitchen, pantry, breakfast area, dining area or similar area of a dwelling. The kitchen countertop receptacles shall be served by a minimum of one 20-ampere-rated branch circuit for a microwave or toaster oven, which shall not be permitted to supply other receptacle outlets in the same kitchen, pantry, breakfast and dining area. Other receptacle outlets shall be provided as needed in the same kitchen, pantry, breakfast and dining area for other plug-in appliances. A dedicated 50 Amp 220 Volt stove receptacle with a red light indicating electrical supply on, shall be provided where cooking by electricity is to be an option. [210.11(C)(1) and 210.52(B)(1) and (B)(2)]

Exception: The receptacle outlet for refrigeration appliances shall be permitted to be supplied from dedicated branch circuit rated 15 amperes or greater. [210.52(B)(1) Exception No. 2]

E3703.3 Laundry circuit. A minimum of one 20-ampere-rated branch circuit shall be provided for receptacles located in the laundry area and shall serve only receptacle outlets located in the laundry area. [210.11(C)(2)]

E3703.4 Bathroom branch circuits. A minimum of one 20-ampere branch circuit shall be provided to supply bathroom receptacle outlet(s). Such circuits

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shall have no other outlets and must be fitted with a ground fault interrupter. [210.11(C)(3)]

Exception: Where the 20-ampere circuit supplies a single bathroom, other equipment within the same bathroom shall be permitted to be supplied in accordance with Section E3702 as long as the circuit breaker supplying the branch circuit is fitted with a ground fault interrupter. [210.11(C)(3) Exception]

E3703.5 Garage branch circuits. In addition to the number of branch circuits required by other parts of this section, not less than one 120-volt, 20-ampere branch circuit shall be installed to supply receptacle outlets in attached garages or carports and in detached garages with electric power. This circuit shall not have other outlets and except for totally enclosed garages, each outlet shall be fitted with a weatherproof cover.

Exception: This circuit shall be permitted to supply readily accessible outdoor receptacle outlets.

3703.6 Number of branch circuits. The minimum number of branch circuits shall be determined from the total calculated load, the size or rating of the circuits used and the number of dedicated (individual) circuits required. The number of circuits shall be sufficient to supply the load served. In no case shall the load on any circuit exceed the maximum specified by Section E3702. [210.11(A)]

E3703.7 Branch-circuit load proportioning. Where the branch-circuit load is calculated on a volt-amperes-per-square metre (square-foot) basis, the wiring system, up to and including the branch-circuit panelboard(s), shall have the capacity to serve not less than the calculated load. This load shall be evenly proportioned among multioutlet branch circuits within the panelboard(s). Branch-circuit overcurrent devices and circuits shall only be required to be installed to serve the connected load. [210.11(B)]

**SECTION E3704
FEEDER REQUIREMENTS**

E3704.1 Conductor size. Feeder conductors that do not serve 100 percent of the dwelling or non-residential unit load and branch-circuit conductors shall be of a size sufficient to carry the load as determined by this chapter. Feeder conductors shall not be required to be larger than the service-entrance conductors that supply the dwelling or non-residential unit except in cases where the voltage drop over the length of the feeder conductor at the main circuit breaker current determined from Section E3602 exceeds 1.5 percent of nominal. The load for feeder conductors that serve as the main power feeder to a dwelling or non-residential unit shall be determined as specified in Chapter 36 for services. [310.15(B)(7)(2) and (3)]

E3704.2 Feeder loads. The minimum load in volt-amperes shall be calculated in accordance with the load calculation procedure prescribed in Table E3704.2(1). The associated table demand factors shall be applied to the actual load to determine the minimum load for feeders. (220.40)

E3704.5 Ampacity and calculated loads. The calculated load of a feeder shall be not less than the sum of the loads on the branch circuits supplied, as determined by Section E3704, after any applicable demand factors permitted by Section E3704 have been applied. (220.40)

E3704.6 Equipment grounding conductor. Where a feeder supplies branch circuits in which equipment grounding conductors are required, the feeder shall include or provide an equipment grounding conductor which is tied into the local grounding system that is one or more or a combination of the types specified in Section E3908.8, to which the equipment grounding conductors of the branch circuits shall be connected. Where the feeder supplies a separate building or structure, the requirements of Section E3607.3.1 shall apply. (215.6)

E3704.3 Feeder neutral load. The feeder neutral load shall be the maximum unbalance of the load determined in accordance with this chapter. The maximum unbalanced load shall be the maximum net calculated load between the neutral and any one ungrounded conductor. For a feeder or service supplying electric ranges, wall-mounted ovens, counter-mounted cooking units and electric dryers, the maximum unbalanced load shall be considered as 70 percent of the load on the ungrounded conductors. [220.61(A) and (B)]

E3704.4 Lighting and general use receptacle load. A unit load of not less than 3 volt-amperes shall constitute the minimum lighting and general use receptacle load for each 0.093 square meter (1 square foot) of floor area or 33 VA for each square meter of floor area. The floor area for each floor shall be calculated from the outside dimensions of the building. The calculated floor area shall not include open porches, garages, or unused or unfinished spaces not adaptable for future use. [220.12, Table 220.12, and 220.14(J)].

**SECTION E3705
CONDUCTOR SIZING
AND OVERCURRENT PROTECTION**

E3705.1 General. Ampacities for conductors shall be determined based in accordance with Table E3705.1 for AWG conductors and Tables E3705.1(1a) to E3705.1(22a) for metric conductors as well as Sections E3705.2 and E3705.3. [310.15(A)]

E3705.1.1 Conductor installation methods (Reference Methods). The ampacity of any size and type conductor varies with where they are installed (in conduit, open air, directly buried, etc), how they are installed (layout configuration

TABLE E3704.2(1)
(Table 220.12, 220.14, Table 220.42, 220.50, 220.51, 220.52, 220.53, 220.54, 220.55, and 220.60)
FEEDER LOAD CALCULATION

LOAD CALCULATION PROCEDURE	APPLIED DEMAND FACTOR
Lighting and receptacles: A unit load of not less than 3 VA per 0.093 m ² (1 square foot) of total floor area shall constitute the lighting and 120-volt, 15- and 20-ampere general use receptacle load. 1,500 VA shall be added for each 20-ampere branch circuit serving receptacles in the kitchen, dining room, pantry, breakfast area and laundry area.	100 percent of first 3,000 VA or less and 35 percent of that in excess of 3,000 VA.
Plus	
Appliances and motors: The nameplate rating load of all fastened-in-place appliances other than dryers, ranges, air-conditioning and space-heating equipment.	100 percent of load for three or less appliances. 75 percent of load for four or more appliances.
Plus	
Fixed motors: Full-load current of motors plus 25 percent of the full load current of the largest motor.	
Plus	
Electric clothes dryer: The dryer load shall be 5,000 VA for each dryer circuit or the nameplate rating load of each dryer, whichever is greater.	
Plus	
Cooking appliances: The nameplate rating of ranges, wall-mounted ovens, counter-mounted cooking units and other cooking appliances rated in excess of 1.75 kVA shall be summed.	Demand factors shall be as allowed by Table E3704.2(2).
Plus the largest of either the heating or cooling load	
Largest of the following two selections: 1.100 percent of the nameplate rating(s) of the air conditioning and cooling, including heat pump compressors. 2.100 percent of the fixed electric space heating.	

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For Inch Pound Units: 1 m² = 10.7748 square feet.

**TABLE E3704.2(2) (220.55 and Table 220.55)
DEMAND LOADS FOR ELECTRIC RANGES, WALL-MOUNTED OVENS, COUNTER-MOUNTED
COOKING UNITS AND OTHER COOKING APPLIANCES OVER 1³/₄ kVA RATING^{a, b}**

NUMBER OF APPLIANCES	MAXIMUM DEMAND ^{b, c}	DEMAND FACTORS (percent) ^d	
	Column A maximum 12 kVA rating	Column B less than 3 ¹ / ₂ kVA rating	Column C 3 ¹ / ₂ to 8 ³ / ₄ kVA rating
1	8 kVA	80	80
2	11 kVA	75	65

- a) Column A shall be used in all cases except as provided for in Footnote d.
- b) For ranges all having the same rating and individually rated more than 12 kVA but not more than 27 kVA, the maximum demand in Column A shall be increased 5 percent for each additional kVA of rating or major fraction thereof by which the rating of individual ranges exceeds 12kVA.
- c) For ranges of unequal ratings and individually rated more than 8.75 kVA, but none exceeding 27 kVA, an average value of rating shall be computed by adding together the ratings of all ranges to obtain the total connected load (using 12 kVA for any ranges rated less than 12 kVA) and dividing by the total number of ranges; and then the maximum demand in Column A shall be increased 5 percent for each kVA or major fraction thereof by which this average value exceeds 12 kVA.
- d) Over 1.75 kVA through 8.75 kVA. As an alternative to the method provided in Column A, the nameplate ratings of all ranges rated more than 1.75 kVA but not more than 8.75 kVA shall be added and the sum shall be multiplied by the demand factor specified in Column B or C for the given number of appliances.

**TABLE E3705.1
ALLOWABLE AMPACITIES FOR AWG CONDUCTORS**

CONDUCTOR SIZE	CONDUCTOR TEMPERATURE RATING						CONDUCTOR SIZE
	60°C	75°C	90°C	60°C	75°C	90°C	
AWG kcmil	Types TW, UF	Types RHW, THHW, THW, THWN, USE, XHHW	Types RHW-2, THHN, THHW, THW-2, THWN-2, XHHW, XHHW-2, USE-2	Types TW, UF	Types RHW, THHW, THW, THWN, USE, XHHW	Types RHW-2, THHN, THHW, THW-2, THWN-2, XHHW, XHHW-2, USE-2	AWG kcmil
	Copper			Aluminum or copper-clad aluminum			
14 ^a	15	20	25	—	—	—	—
12 ^a	20	25	30	15	20	25	12 ^a
10 ^a	30	35	40	25	30	35	10 ^a
8	40	50	55	35	40	45	8
6	55	65	75	40	50	55	6
4	70	85	95	55	65	75	4
3	85	100	115	65	75	85	3
2	95	115	130	75	90	100	2
1	110	130	145	85	100	115	1
1/0	125	150	170	100	120	135	1/0
2/0	145	175	195	115	135	150	2/0
3/0	165	200	225	130	155	175	3/0
4/0	195	230	260	150	180	205	4/0
250	215	255	290	170	205	230	250
300	240	285	320	195	230	260	300
350	260	310	350	210	250	280	350
400	280	335	380	225	270	305	400
500	320	380	430	260	310	350	500
600	350	420	475	285	340	385	600
700	385	460	520	315	375	425	700
750	400	475	535	320	385	435	750
800	410	490	555	330	395	445	800
900	435	520	585	355	425	480	900

For Inch Pound Units: °F = 1.8°C + 32.

a. See Table E3705.5.3 for conductor overcurrent protection limitations.

TABLE E3705.1(1a)

ALLOWABLE AMPACITIES FOR SINGLE CORE METRIC CABLES IN CONDUITS – SINGLE PHASE AND INSTALLATION CONDITION

CONDUCTOR SIZE	CONDUCTOR TEMPERATURE RATING (Single core cables)								CONDUCTOR SIZE
	60°C	70°C	85°C	90°C	105°C	60°C	70°C	90°C	
mm ² kcmil	Type Thermosetting (rubber) insulation	Types Thermoplastic (PVC) and Thermo-Setting insulation	Type Thermosetting (rubber) Insulation	Type Thermosetting insulation	Type Mineral insulation (Light / Heavy duty)	Type	Types Thermoplastic, Thermosetting insulation	Type Thermosetting insulation	mm ² kcmil
	Copper					Aluminium or copper-clad aluminium			
1.0	-	11	17	14	24 / 26		-	-	-
1.5	-	14	22	18	31 / 33		-	-	-
2.5	-	18.5	30	24	41 / 45		-	-	-
4.0	30	25	40	33	54 / 60		-	-	4.0
6.0	39	32	52	43	- / 76		-	-	6.0
10	51	43	72	58	- / 104		-	-	10
16	73	57	96	76	- / 137		44	60	16
25	97	75	127	100	- / 179		58	78	25
35	-	92	157	124	- / 220		71	96	35
50	-	110	190	149	- / 272		93	125	50
70	-	139	242	189	- / 333		118	158	70
95	-	167	293	228	- / 400		142	191	95
120	-	192	339	263	- / 460		164	220	120
150	-	219	372	300	- / 526		189	253	150
185	-	248	428	341	- / 596		215	288	185
240	-	291	510	400	- / 690		252	338	240
300	-	334	593	459	-		289	387	300

TABLE E3705.1(2a)

**ALLOWABLE AMPACITIES AT VARIOUS PHASES AND INSTALLATION CONDITIONS FOR
GLE-CORE 70 °C THERMOPLASTIC (PVC) INSULATED METRIC CABLES, NON-ARMOURED, WITH OR WITHOUT SHEATH
(COPPER CONDUCTORS)**

Ambient temperature: 30 °C

Current-Carrying Capacity in amperes:

Conductor operating temperature: 70 °C

Conductor cross-sectional area	Reference Method 4 (enclosed in conduit in thermally insulating wall etc.)		Reference Method 3 (enclosed in conduit on a wall or in trunking etc.)		Reference Method 1		Reference Method 11 (on a perforated cable tray horizontal or vertical)		Reference Method 12 (free air)		
	2 cables, single-phase A.C. or D.C.	3 or 4 cables, three-phase A.C.	2 cables, single-phase A.C. or D.C.	3 or 4 cables, three-phase A.C.	2 cables, single-phase A.C. or D.C. flat and touching	3 or 4 cables, three-phase A.C. flat & touching or trefoil	2 cables, single-phase A.C. or D.C. flat and touching	3 or 4 cables, three-phase A.C. flat & touching or trefoil	2 cables, single-phase A.C. or D.C. or 3 cables three-phase A.C.	2 cables, single-phase A.C. or D.C. or 3 cables three-phase A.C.	3 cables trefoil, three phase A.C.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
(mm ²)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)
1	11	10.5	13.5	12	15.5	14	-	-	-	-	-
1.5	14.5	13.5	17.5	15.5	20	18	-	-	-	-	-
2.5	20	18	24	21	27	25	-	-	-	-	-
4	26	24	32	28	37	33	-	-	-	-	-
6	34	31	41	36	47	43	-	-	-	-	-
10	46	42	57	50	65	59	-	-	-	-	-
16	61	56	76	68	87	79	-	-	-	-	-
25	80	73	101	89	114	104	126	112	146	130	110
35	99	89	125	110	141	129	156	141	181	162	137
50	119	108	151	134	182	167	191	172	219	197	167
70	151	136	192	171	234	214	246	223	281	254	216
95	182	164	232	207	284	261	300	273	341	311	264
120	210	188	269	239	330	303	349	318	396	362	308
150	240	216	300	262	381	349	404	369	456	419	356
185	273	245	341	296	436	400	463	424	521	480	409
240	320	286	400	346	515	472	549	504	615	569	485
300	367	328	458	394	594	545	635	584	709	659	561
400	-	-	546	467	694	634	732	679	852	795	656
500	-	-	626	533	792	723	835	778	982	920	749
630	-	-	720	611	904	826	953	892	1138	1070	855
800	-	-	-	-	1030	943	1086	1020	1265	1188	971
1000	-	-	-	-	1154	1058	1216	1149	1420	1337	1079

TABLE E3705.1(2b)

VOLTAGE DROP FOR SINGLE-CORE 70 °C THERMOPLASTIC (PVC) INSULATED METRIC CABLES, NON-ARMoured, WITH OR WITHOUT SHEATH
(COPPER CONDUCTORS)

Voltage Drop per ampere per metre:

Conductor operating temperature: 70 °C

1	2	2 cables, single-phase A.C.									3 or 4 cables, three-phase A.C.										
		Reference Methods 3 & 4 (enclosed in conduit etc. in or on a wall)			Reference Methods 1 & 11 (clipped direct or on trays, touching)			Reference Method 12 (spaced*)			Reference Methods 3 & 4 (enclosed in conduit etc. in or on a wall)			Reference Methods 1, 11 & 12 (in trefoil)			Reference Methods 1 & 11 (flat and touching)			Reference Method 12 (flat spaced*)	
3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
(mV/A/m)	(mV/A/m)	(mV/A/m)	(mV/A/m)	(mV/A/m)	(mV/A/m)	(mV/A/m)	(mV/A/m)	(mV/A/m)	(mV/A/m)	(mV/A/m)	(mV/A/m)	(mV/A/m)	(mV/A/m)	(mV/A/m)	(mV/A/m)	(mV/A/m)	(mV/A/m)	(mV/A/m)	(mV/A/m)	(mV/A/m)	(mV/A/m)
44	44	44	38	38	38	38	29	29	29	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	25
18	18	18	15	15	15	15	11	11	11	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5
7.3	7.3	7.3	6.4	6.4	6.4	6.4	4.4	4.4	4.4	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.8
2.8	2.8	2.8	2.4	2.4	2.4	2.4	r	x	z	r	x	z	r	x	z	r	x	z	r	x	z
1.75	1.80	0.33	1.80	1.75	0.20	1.75	1.75	0.29	1.80	1.50	0.29	1.55	1.50	0.175	1.50	1.50	0.25	1.55	1.50	0.32	1.55
1.25	1.30	0.31	1.30	1.25	0.195	1.25	1.25	0.28	1.30	1.10	0.27	1.10	1.10	0.170	1.10	1.10	0.24	1.10	1.10	0.32	1.15
0.93	0.95	0.30	1.00	0.93	0.190	0.95	0.93	0.28	0.97	0.81	0.26	0.85	0.80	0.165	0.82	0.80	0.24	0.84	0.80	0.32	0.86
0.63	0.65	0.29	0.72	0.63	0.185	0.66	0.63	0.27	0.69	0.56	0.25	0.61	0.55	0.160	0.57	0.55	0.24	0.60	0.55	0.31	0.63
0.46	0.49	0.28	0.56	0.47	0.180	0.50	0.47	0.27	0.54	0.42	0.24	0.48	0.41	0.155	0.43	0.41	0.23	0.47	0.40	0.31	0.51
0.36	0.39	0.27	0.47	0.37	0.175	0.41	0.37	0.26	0.45	0.33	0.23	0.41	0.32	0.150	0.36	0.32	0.23	0.40	0.32	0.30	0.44
0.29	0.31	0.27	0.41	0.30	0.175	0.34	0.29	0.26	0.39	0.27	0.23	0.36	0.26	0.150	0.30	0.26	0.23	0.34	0.26	0.30	0.40
0.23	0.25	0.27	0.37	0.24	0.170	0.29	0.24	0.26	0.35	0.22	0.23	0.32	0.21	0.145	0.26	0.21	0.22	0.31	0.21	0.30	0.36
0.18	0.195	0.26	0.33	0.185	0.165	0.25	0.185	0.25	0.31	0.17	0.23	0.29	0.160	0.145	0.22	0.160	0.22	0.27	0.160	0.29	0.34
0.145	0.160	0.26	0.31	0.150	0.165	0.22	0.150	0.25	0.29	0.14	0.23	0.27	0.130	0.140	0.190	0.130	0.22	0.25	0.130	0.29	0.32
0.105	0.130	0.26	0.29	0.120	0.160	0.20	0.115	0.25	0.27	0.12	0.22	0.25	0.105	0.140	0.175	0.105	0.21	0.24	0.100	0.29	0.31
0.086	0.110	0.26	0.28	0.098	0.155	0.185	0.093	0.24	0.26	0.10	0.22	0.25	0.086	0.135	0.160	0.086	0.21	0.23	0.081	0.29	0.30
0.068	0.094	0.25	0.27	0.081	0.155	0.175	0.076	0.24	0.25	0.08	0.22	0.24	0.072	0.135	0.150	0.072	0.21	0.22	0.066	0.28	0.29
0.053	-	-	-	0.068	0.150	0.165	0.061	0.24	0.25	-	-	-	0.060	0.130	0.145	0.060	0.21	0.22	0.053	0.28	0.29
0.042	-	-	-	0.059	0.150	0.160	0.050	0.24	0.24	-	-	-	0.052	0.130	0.140	0.052	0.20	0.21	0.044	0.28	0.28

* Spacings larger than those specified in Method 12 will result in larger voltage drop.

TABLE E3705.1(3a)
ALLOWABLE AMPACITIES AT VARIOUS PHASES AND INSTALLATION CONDITIONS FOR
MULTICORE 70 °C THERMOPLASTIC (PVC) INSULATED AND THERMOSETTING INSULATED CABLES, NON-ARMOURED
(COPPER CONDUCTORS)

CURRENT-CARRYING CAPACITY (amperes):

Ambient temperature: 30 °C
 Conductor operating temperature: 70 °C

Conductor cross-sectional area	Reference Method 4 (enclosed in an insulated wall, etc.)		Reference Method 3 (enclosed in conduit in a wall or ceiling, or in trunking)		Reference Method 1 (clipped direct)		Reference Method 11 (on a perforated cable tray) or Reference Method 13 (free air)	
	1 two-core cable*, single-phase A.C. or D.C.	1 three-core cable* or 1 four-core cable, three-phase A.C.	1 two-core cable*, single-phase A.C. or D.C.	1 three-core cable* or 1 four-core cable, three-phase A.C.	1 two-core cable*, single-phase A.C. or D.C.	1 three-core cable* or 1 four-core cable, three-phase A.C.	1 two-core cable*, single-phase A.C. or D.C.	1 three-core cable* or 1 four-core cable, three-phase A.C.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
(mm ²)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)
1	11	10	13	11.5	15	13.5	17	14.5
1.5	14	13	16.5	15	19.5	17.5	22	18.5
2.5	18.5	17.5	23	20	27	24	30	25
4	25	23	30	27	36	32	40	34
6	32	29	38	34	46	41	51	43
10	43	39	52	46	63	57	70	60
16	57	52	69	62	85	76	94	80
25	75	68	90	80	112	96	119	101
35	92	83	111	99	138	119	148	126
50	110	99	133	118	168	144	180	153
70	139	125	168	149	213	184	232	196
95	167	150	201	179	258	223	282	238
120	192	172	232	206	299	259	328	276
150	219	196	258	225	344	299	379	319
185	248	223	294	255	392	341	434	364
240	291	261	344	297	461	403	514	430
300	334	298	394	339	530	464	593	497
400	-	-	470	402	634	557	715	597

NOTE 1. Where the conductor is to be protected by a semi-enclosed fuse to BS 3036, see Sections E3705.6, E3705.6, E3705.7, E3705.8 and E3705.9 of this code.

NOTE 2. Circular conductors are assumed for sizes up to and including 16 mm². Values for larger sizes relate to conductor shape that equivocate to circular conductors that can safely accommodate the current carrying capacity..

* With or without a protective conductor.

**TABLE
E3705.1(3b)**

**VOLTAGE DROP FOR MULTICORE 70 °C THERMOPLASTIC (PVC) INSULATED AND THERMOSETTING INSULATED CABLES, NON-ARMOURED
(COPPER CONDUCTORS)**

Voltage Drop per ampere per metre:

Conductor operating temperature: 70 °C

Conductor cross-sectional area	Two-core cable, D.C.	Two-core cable, single-phase A.C.			Three- or four-core cable, three-phase A.C.		
1	2	3			4		
(mm ²)	(mV/A/m)	(mV/A/m)			(mV/A/m)		
1	44	44			38		
1.5	29	29			25		
2.5	18	18			15		
4	11	11			9.5		
6	7.3	7.3			6.4		
10	4.4	4.4			3.8		
16	2.8	2.8			2.4		
		r	x	z	r	x	z
25	1.75	1.75	0.170	1.75	1.50	0.145	1.50
35	1.25	1.25	0.165	1.25	1.10	0.145	1.10
50	0.93	0.93	0.165	0.94	0.80	0.140	0.81
70	0.63	0.63	0.160	0.65	0.55	0.140	0.57
95	0.46	0.47	0.155	0.50	0.41	0.135	0.43
120	0.36	0.38	0.155	0.41	0.33	0.135	0.35
150	0.29	0.30	0.155	0.34	0.26	0.130	0.29
185	0.23	0.25	0.150	0.29	0.21	0.130	0.25
240	0.180	0.190	0.150	0.24	0.165	0.130	0.21
300	0.145	0.155	0.145	0.21	0.135	0.130	0.185
400	0.105	0.115	0.145	0.185	0.100	0.125	0.160

TABLE E3705.1(4a)
ALLOWABLE AMPACITIES AT VARIOUS PHASES AND INSTALLATION CONDITIONS FOR
SINGLE-CORE 70°C ARMoured THERMOPLASTIC (PVC) INSULATED METRIC CABLES (NON MAGNETIC ARMOUR)
(COPPER CONDUCTORS)

Ambient temperature: 30 °C
Conductor operating temperature: 70 °C

Current-Carrying Capacity in amperes:

Conductor cross-sectional area	Reference Method 1 (clipped direct)		Reference Method 11 (on perforated cable tray)		Reference Method 12 (free air)						
	2 cables, single-phase A.C. or D.C. flat and touching	3 or 4 cables, three-phase A.C. flat and touching	2 cables, single-phase A.C. or D.C. flat and touching	3 or 4 cables, three-phase A.C. flat and touching	2 cables, single-phase A.C.		2 cables, D.C.		3 or 4 cables, three-phase A.C.		
					Horizontal flat spaced	Vertical flat spaced	Horizontal spaced	Vertical spaced	Horizontal flat spaced	Vertical flat spaced	3 cables trefoil
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
(mm ²)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)
50	193	179	205	189	229	217	229	216	230	212	181
70	245	225	259	238	287	272	294	279	286	263	231
95	296	269	313	285	349	332	357	340	338	313	280
120	342	309	360	327	401	383	415	396	385	357	324
150	393	352	413	373	449	429	479	458	436	405	373
185	447	399	469	422	511	489	548	525	490	456	425
240	525	465	550	492	593	568	648	622	566	528	501
300	594	515	624	547	668	640	748	719	616	578	567
400	687	575	723	618	737	707	885	851	674	632	657
500	763	622	805	673	810	777	1035	997	721	676	731
630	843	669	891	728	893	856	1218	1174	771	723	809
800	919	710	976	777	943	905	1441	1390	824	772	886
1000	975	737	1041	808	1008	967	1685	1627	872	816	945

NOTE. Where the conductor is to be protected by a semi-enclosed fuse to BS 3036, see Sections E3705.6, E3705.6, E3705.7, E3705.8 and E3705.9 of this code.

TABLE E3705.1(4b)
VOLTAGE DROP FOR SINGLE-CORE 70°C ARMoured THERMOPLASTIC (PVC) INSULATED METRIC CABLES (NON MAGNETIC ARMOUR)
(COPPER CONDUCTORS)

VOLTAGE DROP per ampere per metre:

Conductor operating temperature: 70 °C

Conductor cross-sectional area	2 cables D.C.	2 cables, single-phase A.C.						3 or 4 cables, three-phase A.C.								
		Reference Methods 1 & 11 (touching)			Reference Method 12 (spaced*)			Reference Methods 1, 11 & 12 (in trefoil touching)			Reference Methods 1 & 11 (flat and touching)			Reference Method 12 (flat spaced*)		
		3			4			5			6			7		
1	2	(mV/A/m)			(mV/A/m)			(mV/A/m)			(mV/A/m)			(mV/A/m)		
(mm ²)	(mV/A/m)	r	x	z	r	x	z	r	x	z	r	x	z	r	x	z
50	0.93	0.93	0.22	0.95	0.92	0.30	0.97	0.80	0.190	0.82	0.79	0.26	0.84	0.79	0.34	0.86
70	0.63	0.64	0.21	0.68	0.66	0.29	0.72	0.56	0.180	0.58	0.57	0.25	0.62	0.59	0.32	0.68
95	0.46	0.48	0.20	0.52	0.51	0.28	0.58	0.42	0.175	0.45	0.44	0.25	0.50	0.47	0.31	0.57
120	0.36	0.39	0.195	0.43	0.42	0.28	0.50	0.33	0.170	0.37	0.36	0.24	0.43	0.40	0.30	0.50
150	0.29	0.31	0.190	0.37	0.34	0.27	0.44	0.27	0.165	0.32	0.30	0.24	0.38	0.34	0.30	0.45
185	0.23	0.26	0.190	0.32	0.29	0.27	0.39	0.22	0.160	0.27	0.25	0.23	0.34	0.29	0.29	0.41
240	0.180	0.20	0.180	0.27	0.23	0.26	0.35	0.175	0.160	0.23	0.20	0.23	0.30	0.24	0.28	0.37
300	0.145	0.160	0.180	0.24	0.190	0.26	0.32	0.140	0.155	0.21	0.165	0.22	0.28	0.20	0.28	0.34
400	0.105	0.140	0.175	0.22	0.180	0.24	0.30	0.120	0.130	0.195	0.160	0.21	0.26	0.21	0.25	0.32
500	0.086	0.120	0.170	0.21	0.165	0.23	0.29	0.105	0.145	0.180	0.145	0.20	0.25	0.190	0.24	0.30
630	0.068	0.105	0.165	0.195	0.150	0.22	0.27	0.091	0.145	0.170	0.135	0.195	0.23	0.175	0.22	0.28
800	0.053	0.095	0.160	0.185	0.145	0.21	0.25	0.082	0.140	0.160	0.125	0.180	0.22	0.170	0.195	0.26
1000	0.042	0.091	0.155	0.180	0.140	0.190	0.24	0.079	0.135	0.155	0.125	0.165	0.21	0.165	0.170	0.24

TABLE E3705.1(5a)
ALLOWABLE AMPACITIES AT VARIOUS PHASES AND INSTALLATION CONDITIONS FOR
MULTI-CORE 70°C ARMOURED THERMOPLASTIC (PVC) INSULATED METRIC CABLES
(COPPER CONDUCTORS)

Ambient temperature: 30 °C

Conductor operating temperature: 70 °C

Current-Carrying Capacity in amperes:

Conductor cross-sectional area	Reference Method 1 (clipped direct)		Reference Method 11 (on a perforated horizontal or vertical cable tray) or Reference Method 13 (Free air)	
	1 two-core cable, single-phase A.C. or D.C.	1 three- or four core cable, three-phase A.C.	1 two-core cable, single-phase A.C. or D.C.	1 three- or four-core cable, three-phase A.C.
1	2	3	4	5
(mm ²)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)
1.5	21	18	22	19
2.5	28	25	31	26
4	38	33	41	35
6	49	42	53	45
10	67	58	72	62
16	89	77	97	83
25	118	102	128	110
35	145	125	157	135
50	175	151	190	163
70	222	192	241	207
95	269	231	291	251
120	310	267	336	290
150	356	306	386	332
185	405	348	439	378
240	476	409	516	445
300	547	469	592	510
400	621	540	683	590

NOTE. Where the conductor is to be protected by a semi-enclosed fuse to BS 3036, see Sections E3705.6, E3705.6, E3705.7, E3705.8 and E3705.9 of this code.

TABLE E3705.1(5b)
VOLTAGE DROP FOR MULTI-CORE 70°C ARMoured THERMOPLASTIC (PVC) INSULATED METRIC CABLES
 (COPPER CONDUCTORS)

VOLTAGE DROP (per ampere per metre):
 temperature: 70 °C

Conductor operating

Conductor cross-sectional area	Two-core cable, D.C.	Two-core cable, single-phase A.C.			Three- or four-core cable, three-phase A.C.		
1	2	3			4		
(mm ²)	(mV/A/m)	(mV/A/m)			(mV/A/m)		
1.5	29	29			25		
2.5	18	18			15		
4	11	11			9.5		
6	7.3	7.3			6.4		
10	4.4	4.4			3.8		
16	2.8	2.8			2.4		
		r	x	z	r	x	z
25	1.75	1.75	0.170	1.75	1.50	0.145	1.50
35	1.25	1.25	0.165	1.25	1.10	0.145	1.10
50	0.93	0.93	0.165	0.94	0.80	0.140	0.81
70	0.63	0.63	0.160	0.65	0.55	0.140	0.57
95	0.46	0.47	0.155	0.50	0.41	0.135	0.43
120	0.36	0.38	0.155	0.41	0.33	0.135	0.35
150	0.29	0.30	0.155	0.34	0.26	0.130	0.29
185	0.23	0.25	0.150	0.29	0.21	0.130	0.25
240	0.180	0.190	0.150	0.24	0.165	0.130	0.21
300	0.145	0.155	0.145	0.21	0.135	0.130	0.185
400	0.105	0.115	0.145	0.185	0.100	0.125	0.160

TABLE E3705.1(6a)

ALLOWABLE AMPACITIES AT VARIOUS PHASES AND INSTALLATION CONDITIONS FOR
70 °C THERMOPLASTIC (PVC) INSULATED AND SHEATHED FLAT CABLE WITH PROTECTIVE CONDUCTOR
 (COPPER CONDUCTORS)

Ambient temperature: 30 °C

CURRENT-CARRYING CAPACITY (amperes):

Conductor operating temperature: 70 °C

Conductor	Installation Method 6* (enclosed in conduit in an insulated wall)	Installation Method 15* (installed directly in an insulated wall)	Reference Method 1 (clipped direct)	Voltage drop (per ampere per metre)
cross-sectional area	1 two-core cable, single-phase A.C. or D.C.			
1	2	3	4	5
(mm ²)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(mV/A/m)
1	11.5	12	16	44
1.5	14.5	15	20	29
2.5	20	21	27	18
4	26	27	37	11
6	32	35	47	7.3
10	44	47	64	4.4
16	57	63	85	2.8

TABLE E3705.1(6b)

70°C THERMOPLASTIC (PVC) INSULATED AND SHEATHED FLAT METRIC CABLES WITH PROTECTIVE CONDUCTOR

(COPPER CONDUCTORS) Ambient temperature: 30 °C

CURRENT-CARRYING CAPACITY in amperes:

Conductor operating temperature: 70 °C

Conductor cross-sectional area	Two-core cable, D.C.	Two-core cable, single-phase A.C.	Three- or four-core cable, three-phase A.C.
1	2	3	4
(mm ²)	(mV/A/m)	(mV/A/m)	(mV/A/m)
1	36	36	
1.5	29	29	
2.5	18	18	25
4	11	11	15
6	7.3	7.3	9.5
10	4.4	4.4	6.4
16	2.8	2.8	3.8
			2.4

NOTE. Where the conductor is to be protected by a semi-enclosed fuse to BS 3036, see Sections E3705.6, E3705.6, E3705.7, E3705.8 and E3705.9 of this code.

* These methods are regarded as Reference Methods for the cable types specified by table M300.51.

TABLE E3705.1(7a)(1)
ALLOWABLE AMPACITIES AT VARIOUS PHASES AND INSTALLATION CONDITIONS FOR
SINGLE CORE 90°C THERMOSETTING INSULATED METRIC CABLES UNARMoured, WITH OR WITHOUT SHEATH
(COPPER CONDUCTORS)

Ambient temperature: 30 °C

CURRENT-CARRYING CAPACITY in amperes:

Conductor operating temperature: 90 °C

Conductor cross-sectional area	Reference Method 4 (Enclosed in conduit in thermally insulating wall etc.)		Reference Method 3 (Enclosed in conduit on a wall or in trunking etc.)		Reference Method 1 (Clipped direct)		Reference Method 11 (On a perforated cable tray horizontal or vertical)		Reference Method 12 (free air)		
	2 cables, single-phase A.C. or D.C.	3 or 4 cables, three-phase A.C.	2 cables, single-phase A.C. or D.C.	3 or 4 cables, three-phase A.C.	2 cables, single-phase A.C. or D.C. flat and touching	3 or 4 cables, three-phase A.C. flat and touching or trefoil	2 cables, single-phase A.C. or D.C. flat and touching	3 or 4 cables, three-phase A.C. flat and touching or trefoil	Horizontal flat spaced	Vertical flat spaced	Trefoil
	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
(mm ²)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)
1	14	13	17	15	19	17.5	-	-	-	-	-
1.5	18	17	22	19	25	23	-	-	-	-	-
2.5	24	23	30	26	34	31	-	-	-	-	-
4	33	30	40	35	46	41	-	-	-	-	-
6	43	39	51	45	59	54	-	-	-	-	-
10	58	53	71	63	81	74	-	-	-	-	-
16	76	70	95	85	109	99	-	-	-	-	-
25	100	91	126	111	143	130	158	140	183	163	138
35	124	111	156	138	176	161	195	176	226	203	171
50	149	135	189	168	228	209	239	215	274	246	209
70	189	170	240	214	293	268	308	279	351	318	270
95	228	205	290	259	355	326	375	341	426	389	330
120	263	235	336	299	413	379	436	398	495	453	385
150	300	270	375	328	476	436	505	461	570	524	445
185	341	306	426	370	545	500	579	530	651	600	511
240	400	358	500	433	644	590	686	630	769	711	606
300	459	410	573	493	743	681	794	730	886	824	701

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TABLE E3705.1(7a)(2)
ALLOWABLE AMPACITIES AT VARIOUS PHASES AND INSTALLATION CONDITIONS FOR
SINGLE CORE 90°C THERMOSETTING INSULATED METRIC CABLES UNARMoured, WITH OR WITHOUT SHEATH
(COPPER CONDUCTORS)

Ambient temperature: 30 °C

Conductor operating temperature: 90 °C

CURRENT-CARRYING CAPACITY in amperes:

Conductor cross-sectional area	Reference Method 4 (enclosed in conduit in thermally insulating wall etc.)		Reference Method 3 (enclosed in conduit on a wall or in trunking etc.)		Reference Method 1 (clipped direct)		Reference Method 11 (on a perforated cable tray horizontal or vertical)		Reference Method 12 (free air)		
	2 cables, single-phase A.C. or D.C.	3 or 4 cables, three-phase A.C.	2 cables, single-phase A.C. or D.C.	3 or 4 cables, three-phase A.C.	2 cables, single-phase A.C. or D.C. flat and touching	3 or 4 cables, three-phase A.C. flat and touching or trefoil	2 cables, single-phase A.C. or D.C. flat and touching	3 or 4 cables, three-phase A.C. flat and touching or trefoil	2 cables, single-phase A.C. or D.C. or 3 cables three-phase	2 cables, single-phase A.C. or D.C. or 3 cables three-phase	3 cables trefoil, three phase A.C.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
400	-	-	683	584	868	793	915	849	1065	994	820
500	-	-	783	666	990	904	1044	973	1228	1150	936
630	-	-	900	764	1130	1033	1191	1115	1423	1338	1069
800	-	-	-	-	1288	1179	1358	1275	1581	1485	1214
1000	-	-	-	-	1443	1323	1520	1436	1775	1671	1349

TABLE E3705.1(7b)(1)
VOLTAGE DROP FOR SINGLE CORE 90°C THERMOSETTING INSULATED METRIC CABLES UNARMoured, WITH OR WITHOUT SHEATH
(COPPER CONDUCTORS)

VOLTAGE DROP (per ampere per metre): Conductor cross-sectional area	2 cables D.C.	2 cables, single-phase A.C.									3 or 4 cables, three-phase A.C.											
		Reference Methods 3 &4 (enclosed in conduit etc. in or on a wall)			Reference Methods 1 &11 (clipped direct or on trays, touching)			Reference Method 12 (spaced*)			Reference Methods 3 &4 (enclosed in conduit etc. in or on a wall)			Reference Methods 1, 11 &12 (in trefoil)			Reference Methods 1 &11 (flat and touching)			Reference Method 12 (flat spaced*)		
		3			4			5			6			7			8			9		
1	2	3			4			5			6			7			8			9		
(mm ²)	(mV/A/m)	(mV/A/m)			(mV/A/m)			(mV/A/m)			(mV/A/m)			(mV/A/m)			(mV/A/m)					
1	46	46			46			46			40			40			40			40		
1.5	31	31			31			31			27			27			27			27		
2.5	19	19			19			19			16			16			16			16		
4	12	12			12			12			10			10			10			10		
6	7.9	7.9			7.9			7.9			6.8			6.8			6.8			6.8		
10	4.7	4.7			4.7			4.7			4.0			4.0			4.0			4.0		
16	2.9	2.9			2.9			2.9			2.5			2.5			2.5			2.5		
		r	x	z	r	x	z	r	x	z	r	x	z	r	x	z	r	x	z	r	x	z
25	1.85	1.85	0.31	1.90	1.85	0.190	1.85	1.85	0.28	1.85	1.60	0.27	1.65	1.60	0.165	1.60	1.60	0.190	1.60	1.60	0.27	1.65
35	1.35	1.35	0.29	1.35	1.35	0.180	1.35	1.35	0.27	1.35	1.15	0.25	1.15	1.15	0.155	1.15	1.15	0.180	1.15	1.15	0.26	1.20
50	0.99	1.00	0.29	1.05	0.99	0.180	1.00	0.99	0.27	1.00	0.87	0.25	0.90	0.86	0.155	0.87	0.86	0.180	0.87	0.86	0.26	0.89
70	0.68	0.70	0.28	0.75	0.68	0.175	0.71	0.68	0.26	0.73	0.60	0.24	0.65	0.59	0.150	0.61	0.59	0.175	0.62	0.59	0.25	0.65
95	0.49	0.51	0.27	0.58	0.49	0.170	0.52	0.49	0.26	0.56	0.44	0.23	0.50	0.43	0.145	0.45	0.43	0.170	0.46	0.43	0.25	0.49
120	0.39	0.41	0.26	0.48	0.39	0.165	0.43	0.39	0.25	0.47	0.35	0.23	0.42	0.34	0.140	0.37	0.34	0.165	0.38	0.34	0.24	0.42
150	0.32	0.33	0.26	0.43	0.32	0.165	0.36	0.32	0.25	0.41	0.29	0.23	0.37	0.28	0.140	0.31	0.28	0.165	0.32	0.28	0.24	0.37
185	0.25	0.27	0.26	0.37	0.26	0.165	0.30	0.25	0.25	0.36	0.23	0.23	0.32	0.22	0.140	0.26	0.22	0.165	0.28	0.22	0.24	0.33
240	0.190	0.21	0.26	0.33	0.20	0.160	0.25	0.195	0.25	0.31	0.185	0.22	0.29	0.170	0.140	0.22	0.170	0.165	0.24	0.170	0.24	0.29
300	0.155	0.175	0.25	0.31	0.160	0.160	0.22	0.155	0.25	0.29	0.150	0.22	0.27	0.140	0.140	0.195	0.135	0.160	0.21	0.135	0.24	0.27

400	0.120	0.140	0.25	0.29	0.130	0.155	0.20	0.125	0.24	0.27	0.125	0.22	0.25	0.110	0.135	0.175	0.110	0.160	0.195	0.110	0.24	0.26
500	0.093	0.120	0.25	0.28	0.105	0.155	0.185	0.098	0.24	0.26	0.100	0.22	0.24	0.090	0.135	0.160	0.088	0.160	0.180	0.085	0.24	0.25
630	0.072	0.100	0.25	0.27	0.086	0.155	0.175	0.078	0.24	0.25	0.088	0.21	0.23	0.074	0.135	0.150	0.071	0.160	0.170	0.068	0.23	0.24
800	0.056		-		0.072	0.150	0.170	0.064	0.24	0.25		-		0.062	0.130	0.145	0.059	0.155	0.165	0.055	0.23	0.24
1000	0.045		-		0.063	0.150	0.165	0.054	0.24	0.24		-		0.055	0.130	0.140	0.050	0.155	0.165	0.047	0.23	0.24

* Spacings larger than those specified in Method 12 (see Table M- E3705.1 will result in larger voltage drop.

TABLE E3705.1(8a)

**ALLOWABLE AMPACITIES AT VARIOUS PHASES AND INSTALLATION CONDITIONS FOR
MULTI-CORE 90°C THERMOSETTING INSULATED METRIC CABLES NONARMoured
(COPPER CONDUCTORS)**

Ambient temperature: 30 °C

CURRENT-CARRYING CAPACITY in amperes:

Conductor operating temperature: 90 °C

Conductor cross-sectional area	Reference Method 4 (enclosed in an insulated wall, etc.)		Reference Method 3 (enclosed in conduit on a wall or ceiling, or in trunking)		Reference Method 1 (clipped direct)		Reference Method 11 (on a perforated cable tray) or Reference Method 13 (free air)	
	1 two-core cable*, single-phase A.C. or D.C.	1 three- or four-core cable*, three-phase A.C.	1 two-core cable*, single-phase A.C. or D.C.	1 three- or four-core cable*, three-phase A.C.	1 two-core cable*, single-phase A.C. or D.C.	1 three- or four-core cable*, three-phase A.C.	1 two-core cable* single-phase A.C. or D.C.	1 three- or four-core cable*, three-phase A.C.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
(mm ²)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)
1	14.5	13	17	15	19	17	21	18
1.5	18.5	16.5	22	19.5	24	22	26	23
2.5	25	22	30	26	33	30	36	32
4	33	30	40	35	45	40	49	42
6	42	38	51	44	58	52	63	54
10	57	51	69	60	80	71	86	75
16	76	68	91	80	107	96	115	100
25	99	89	119	105	138	119	149	127
35	121	109	146	128	171	147	185	158
50	145	130	175	154	209	179	225	192
70	183	164	221	194	269	229	289	246
95	220	197	265	233	328	278	352	298
120	253	227	305	268	382	322	410	346
150	290	259	334	300	441	371	473	399
185	329	295	384	340	506	424	542	456
240	386	346	459	398	599	500	641	538
300	442	396	532	455	693	576	741	621
400	-	-	625	536	803	667	865	741

NOTE 1. Where the conductor is to be protected by a semi-enclosed fuse to BS 3036, see section M310.15(C)(b)(ii) of this Application Document

NOTE 2. Where a conductor operates at a temperature exceeding 70 °C it shall be ascertained that the equipment connected to the conductor is suitable for the conductor operating temperature.

NOTE 3. For cables in rigid PVC conduit the values stated in Table M310.15(B)(b3) are applicable.

NOTE 4. Where cables in this table are connected to equipment or accessories designed to operate at a temperature not exceeding 70 °C, the current ratings given in the equivalent table for 70°C thermoplastic (PVC) insulated cables (Table M310.15(B)(b3) shall be used.

NOTE 5. Circular conductors are assumed for sizes up to and including 16 mm². Values for larger sizes relate to shaped conductors and may safely be applied to circular conductors.

* With or without a protective conductor.

TABLE E3705.1(8b)
VOLTAGE DROP FOR MULTI-CORE 90°C THERMOSETTING INSULATED METRIC CABLES NONARMOURED
(COPPER CONDUCTORS)

VOLTAGE DROP (per ampere per metre): Conductor operating temperature: 90 °C

Conductor cross-sectional area	Two-core cable, D.C.	Two-core cable, single-phase A.C.			Three- or four-core cable, three-phase A.C.		
1	2	3			4		
(mm ²)	(mV/A/m)	(mV/A/m)			(mV/A/m)		
1	46	46			40		
1.5	31	31			27		
2.5	19	19			16		
4	12	12			10		
6	7.9	7.9			6.8		
10	4.7	4.7			4.0		
16	2.9	2.9			2.5		
		r	x	z	r	x	z
25	1.85	1.85	0.160	1.90	1.60	0.140	1.65
35	1.35	1.35	0.155	1.35	1.15	0.135	1.15
50	0.98	0.99	0.155	1.00	0.86	0.135	0.87
70	0.67	0.67	0.150	0.69	0.59	0.130	0.60
95	0.49	0.50	0.150	0.52	0.43	0.130	0.45
120	0.39	0.40	0.145	0.42	0.34	0.130	0.37
150	0.31	0.32	0.145	0.35	0.28	0.125	0.30
185	0.25	0.26	0.145	0.29	0.22	0.125	0.26
240	0.195	0.200	0.140	0.24	0.175	0.125	0.21
300	0.155	0.160	0.140	0.21	0.140	0.120	0.185
400	0.120	0.130	0.140	0.190	0.115	0.120	0.165

TABLE E3705.1(9a)
ALLOWABLE AMPACITIES AT VARIOUS PHASES AND INSTALLATION CONDITIONS FOR
SINGLE CORE 90°C ARMoured THERMOSETTING INSULATED METRIC CABLES (NONMAGNETIC ARMOUR)
(COPPER CONDUCTORS)

Ambient temperature: 30 °C
Conductor operating temperature: 90 °C

CURRENT-CARRYING CAPACITY in amperes:

Conductor cross-sectional area	Reference Method 1 (clipped direct)		Reference Method 11 (on perforated cable tray)		Reference Method 12 (free air)						
	2 cables, single-phase A.C. or D.C. flat and touching	3 or 4 cables, three-phase A.C. flat and touching	2 cables, single-phase A.C. or D.C. flat and touching	3 or 4 cables, three-phase A.C. flat and touching	2 cables, single-phase A.C.		2 cables, D.C.		3 or 4 cables, three-phase A.C.		
					Horizontal flat spaced	Vertical flat spaced	Horizontal spaced	Vertical spaced	Horizontal flat spaced	Vertical flat spaced	3 cables trefoil
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
(mm ²)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)
50	237	220	253	232	282	266	284	270	288	266	222
70	303	277	322	293	357	337	356	349	358	331	285
95	367	333	389	352	436	412	446	426	425	393	346
120	425	383	449	405	504	477	519	497	485	449	402
150	488	437	516	462	566	539	600	575	549	510	463
185	557	496	587	524	643	614	688	660	618	574	529
240	656	579	689	612	749	714	815	782	715	666	625
300	755	662	792	700	842	805	943	906	810	755	720
400	853	717	899	767	929	889	1137	1094	848	797	815
500	962	791	1016	851	1032	989	1314	1266	923	871	918
630	1082	861	1146	935	1139	1092	1528	1474	992	940	1027
800	1170	904	1246	987	1204	1155	1809	1744	1042	978	1119
1000	1261	961	1345	1055	1289	1238	2100	2026	1110	1041	1214

NOTE 1. Where the conductor is to be protected by a semi-enclosed fuse to BS 3036, see section M310.15(C)(b)(ii) of this Application Document.

NOTE 2. Where a conductor operates at a temperature exceeding 70 °C it shall be ascertained that the equipment connected to the conductor is suitable for the conductor operating temperature.

NOTE 3. Where cables in this table are connected to equipment or accessories designed to operate at a temperature not exceeding 70 °C, the current ratings given in the equivalent table for 70 °C thermoplastic (PVC) insulated cables (Table M310.15(B)(b5)) shall be used.

TABLE E3705.1(9b)
VOLTAGE DROP FOR SINGLE CORE 90°C ARMoured THERMOSETTING INSULATED METRIC CABLES (NONMAGNETIC ARMOUR)
(COPPER CONDUCTORS)

VOLTAGE DROP (per ampere per metre):

Conductor operating temperature: 90 °C

Conductor cross-sectional area 1	2 cables, D.C. 2	2 cables, single-phase A.C.						3 or 4 cables, three-phase A.C.								
		Reference Methods 1 & 11 (touching) 3			Reference Method 12 (spaced*) 4			Reference Methods 1, 11 & 12 (in trefoil touching) 5			Reference Methods 1 & 11 (flat and touching) 6			Reference Method 12 (flat spaced*) 7		
(mm ²)	(mV/A/m)	(mV/A/m)			(mV/A/m)			(mV/A/m)			(mV/A/m)			(mV/A/m)		
		r	x	z	r	x	z	r	x	z	r	x	z	r	x	z
50	0.98	0.99	0.21	1.00	0.98	0.29	1.00	0.86	0.180	0.87	0.84	0.25	0.88	0.84	0.33	0.90
70	0.67	0.68	0.200	0.71	0.69	0.29	0.75	0.59	0.170	0.62	0.60	0.25	0.65	0.62	0.32	0.70
95	0.49	0.51	0.195	0.55	0.53	0.28	0.60	0.44	0.170	0.47	0.46	0.24	0.52	0.49	0.31	0.58
120	0.39	0.41	0.190	0.45	0.43	0.27	0.51	0.35	0.165	0.39	0.38	0.24	0.44	0.41	0.30	0.51
150	0.31	0.33	0.185	0.38	0.36	0.27	0.45	0.29	0.160	0.33	0.31	0.23	0.39	0.34	0.29	0.45
185	0.25	0.27	0.185	0.33	0.30	0.26	0.40	0.23	0.160	0.28	0.26	0.23	0.34	0.29	0.29	0.41
240	0.195	0.21	0.180	0.28	0.24	0.26	0.35	0.180	0.155	0.24	0.21	0.22	0.30	0.24	0.28	0.37
300	0.155	0.170	0.175	0.25	0.195	0.25	0.32	0.145	0.150	0.21	0.170	0.22	0.28	0.20	0.27	0.34
400	0.115	0.145	0.170	0.22	0.180	0.24	0.30	0.125	0.150	0.195	0.160	0.21	0.27	0.20	0.27	0.33
500	0.093	0.125	0.170	0.21	0.165	0.24	0.29	0.105	0.145	0.180	0.145	0.20	0.25	0.190	0.24	0.31
630	0.073	0.105	0.165	0.195	0.150	0.23	0.27	0.092	0.145	0.170	0.135	0.195	0.24	0.175	0.23	0.29
800	0.056	0.090	0.160	0.190	0.145	0.23	0.27	0.086	0.140	0.165	0.130	0.180	0.23	0.175	0.195	0.26
1000	0.045	0.092	0.155	0.180	0.140	0.21	0.25	0.080	0.135	0.155	0.125	0.170	0.21	0.165	0.180	0.24

TABLE E-705.1(10a)
ALLOWABLE AMPACITIES AT VARIOUS PHASES AND INSTALLATION CONDITIONS FOR
MULTI-CORE 90°C ARMoured THERMOSETTING INSULATED METRIC CABLES
(COPPER CONDUCTORS)

Ambient temperature: 30 °C

CURRENT-CARRYING CAPACITY in amperes:

Conductor operating temperature: 90 °C

Conductor cross-sectional area	Reference Method 1 (clipped direct)		Reference Method 11 (on a perforated horizontal or vertical cable tray) or Reference Method 13 (free air)	
	1 two-core cable, single-phase A.C. or D.C.	1 three- or four-core cable, three-phase A.C.	1 two-core cable, single-phase A.C. or D.C.	1 three- or four-core cable, three-phase A.C.
1	2	3	4	5
(mm ²)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)
1.5	27	23	29	25
2.5	36	31	39	33
4	49	42	52	44
6	62	53	66	56
10	85	73	90	78
16	110	94	115	99
25	146	124	152	131
35	180	154	188	162
50	219	187	228	197
70	279	238	291	251
95	338	289	354	304
120	392	335	410	353
150	451	386	472	406
185	515	441	539	463
240	607	520	636	546
300	698	599	732	628
400	787	673	847	728

TABLE E3705.1(10b)
MULTI-CORE 90°C ARMoured THERMOSETTING INSULATED METRIC CABLES
(COPPER CONDUCTORS)

VOLTAGE DROP (per ampere per metre):

Conductor operating temperature: 90 °C

Conductor cross-sectional area	Two-core cable, D.C.	Two-core cable, single-phase A.C.			Three- or four-core cable, three-phase A.C.		
1	2	3			4		
(mm ²)	(mV/A/m)	(mV/A/m)			(mV/A/m)		
1.5	31	31			27		
2.5	19	19			16		
4	12	12			10		
6	7.9	7.9			6.8		
10	4.7	4.7			4.0		
16	2.9	2.9			2.5		
		r	x	z	r	x	z
25	1.85	1.85	0.160	1.90	1.60	0.140	1.65
35	1.35	1.35	0.155	1.35	1.15	0.135	1.15
50	0.98	0.99	0.155	1.00	0.86	0.135	0.87
70	0.67	0.67	0.150	0.69	0.59	0.130	0.60
95	0.49	0.50	0.150	0.52	0.43	0.130	0.45
120	0.39	0.40	0.145	0.42	0.34	0.130	0.37
150	0.31	0.32	0.145	0.35	0.28	0.125	0.30
185	0.25	0.26	0.145	0.29	0.22	0.125	0.26
240	0.195	0.20	0.140	0.24	0.175	0.125	0.21
300	0.155	0.16	0.140	0.21	0.140	0.120	0.185
400	0.120	0.13	0.140	0.190	0.115	0.120	0.165

NOTE 1. Where the conductor is to be protected by a semi-enclosed fuse to BS 3036, see section M310.15(C)(b)(ii) of this code.

NOTE 2. Where a conductor operates at a temperature exceeding 70 °C it shall be ascertained that the equipment connected to the conductor is suitable for the conductor operating temperature.

NOTE 3. Where cables in this table are connected to equipment or accessories designed to operate at a temperature not exceeding 70 °C, the current ratings given in the equivalent table for 70 °C thermoplastic (PVC) insulated cables, table M310.15(B)(b7) shall be used.

TABLE E3705.1(11a)

ALLOWABLE AMPACITIES AT VARIOUS PHASES AND INSTALLATION CONDITIONS FOR
SINGLE CORE 85°C THERMOSETTING (RUBBER) INSULATED METRIC CABLES WITH SHEATH, NON-ARMOURED
 (COPPER CONDUCTORS)

Ambient temperature: 30 °C

CURRENT-CARRYING CAPACITY in amperes:

Conductor operating temperature: 85 °C

Conductor cross-sectional area	Reference Method 3 (enclosed in conduit etc. in or on a wall)		Reference Method 1 (clipped direct)		Reference Method 11 (on a perforated cable tray) Horizontal or Vertical		Reference Method 12 (free air)	
	2 cables, single-phase A.C. or D.C.	3 or 4 cables, three-phase A.C.	2 cables, single-phase A.C. or D.C. flat and touching	3 or 4 cables, three-phase A.C. flat and touching or trefoil	2 cables, single-phase A.C. or D.C. flat and touching	3 or 4 cables, three-phase A.C. flat and touching or trefoil	2 cables, single-phase A.C. or D.C. or 3 or 4 cables, three-phase A.C. flat spaced horizontal or vertical	3 cables trefoil, three-phase A.C.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
(mm ²)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)
1	17	15	19	17.5	-	-	-	-
1.5	22	19.5	25	23	-	-	-	-
2.5	30	27	34	31	-	-	-	-
4	40	36	45	42	-	-	-	-
6	52	46	59	54	-	-	-	-
10	72	63	81	75	-	-	-	-
16	96	85	108	100	-	-	-	-
25	127	112	143	133	153	140	154	134
35	157	138	177	164	189	174	192	167
50	190	167	215	199	229	211	235	204
70	242	213	274	254	293	269	303	262
95	293	258	332	308	356	327	370	320
120	339	298	384	357	412	379	431	373
150	372	334	442	411	475	437	499	432
185	428	379	519	469	542	499	573	495
240	510	443	607	553	639	589	679	587
300	593	506	695	636	735	679	786	680

400	719	602	827	755	860	798	929	799
500	835	689	946	865	989	918	1081	919
630	975	791	1088	996	1143	1062	1263	1060

NOTE 1 . Where the conductor is to be protected by a semi-enclosed fuse to BS 3036, see section M310.15(C)(b)(ii) of this Application Document.

NOTE 2. Where a conductor operates at a temperature exceeding 70 °C it shall be ascertained that the equipment connected to the conductor is suitable for the conductor operating temperature.

NOTE 3. For cables in rigid PVC conduit the values stated in table M310.15(B)(b1) are applicable.

NOTE 4 . Where cables in this table are connected to equipment or accessories designed to operate at a temperature not exceeding 70 °C, the current ratings given in the equivalent table for 70 °C thermoplastic (PVC) insulated cables, table M310.15(B)(b1), shall be used.

TABLE E3705.1(11b)

SINGLE CORE 85°C THERMOSETTING (RUBBER) INSULATED METRIC CABLES WITH SHEATH, NON ARMoured
(COPPER CONDUCTORS)

CURRENT-CARRYING CAPACITY in amperes:

Conductor operating temperature: 85 °C

Conductor cross-sectional area 1	2 cables, D.C. 2	2 cables, single-phase A.C.									3 or 4 cables, three-phase A.C.											
		Reference Method 3 (enclosed in conduit etc. in or on a wall)			Reference Methods 1 & 11 (clipped direct or on trays, touching)			Reference Method 12 (spaced*)			Reference Method 3 (enclosed in conduit etc. in or on a wall)			Reference Methods 1, 11 & 12 (in trefoil touching)			Reference Methods 1 & 11 (flat and touching)			Reference Method 12 (flat spaced*)		
		3			4			5			6			7			8			9		
(mm ²)	(mV/A/m)	(mV/A/m)			(mV/A/m)			(mV/A/m)			(mV/A/m)			(mV/A/m)			(mV/A/m)			(mV/A/m)		
1	46	46			46			-			40			40			40			-		
1.5	31	31			31			-			26			26			26			-		
2.5	18	18			18			-			16			16			16			-		
4	12	12			12			-			10			10			10			-		
6	7.7	7.7			7.7			-			6.7			6.7			6.7			-		
10	4.6	4.6			4.6			-			4.0			4.0			4.0			-		
16	2.9	2.9			2.9			-			2.5			2.5			2.5			-		
		r	x	z	r	x	z	r	x	z	r	x	z	r	x	z	r	x	z	r	x	z
25	1.80	1.85	0.32	1.90	1.85	0.20	1.85	1.85	0.29	1.85	1.60	0.28	1.65	1.60	0.175	1.60	1.60	0.25	1.60	1.60	0.32	1.65
35	1.30	1.35	0.31	1.40	1.30	0.195	1.35	1.30	0.28	1.35	1.15	0.27	1.20	1.15	0.170	1.15	1.15	0.24	1.15	1.15	0.32	1.20
50	0.95	1.00	0.30	1.05	0.97	0.190	0.99	0.97	0.28	1.00	0.87	0.26	0.91	0.84	0.165	0.86	0.84	0.24	0.88	0.84	0.32	0.90
70	0.65	0.68	0.29	0.74	0.66	0.185	0.69	0.66	0.27	0.72	0.60	0.25	0.65	0.57	0.160	0.60	0.57	0.24	0.62	0.57	0.31	0.65
95	0.48	0.51	0.28	0.58	0.49	0.180	0.52	0.49	0.27	0.56	0.44	0.25	0.51	0.43	0.155	0.45	0.43	0.23	0.48	0.42	0.31	0.52
120	0.38	0.40	0.27	0.49	0.39	0.175	0.43	0.39	0.26	0.47	0.35	0.24	0.43	0.34	0.155	0.37	0.34	0.23	0.41	0.34	0.30	0.45
150	0.30	0.33	0.27	0.42	0.31	0.175	0.36	0.31	0.26	0.40	0.29	0.24	0.37	0.27	0.150	0.31	0.27	0.23	0.35	0.27	0.30	0.40
185	0.25	0.27	0.27	0.38	0.25	0.170	0.30	0.25	0.26	0.36	0.23	0.23	0.33	0.22	0.150	0.26	0.22	0.22	0.31	0.22	0.30	0.37
240	0.190	0.21	0.26	0.33	0.195	0.165	0.26	0.195	0.25	0.32	0.180	0.23	0.29	0.170	0.145	0.22	0.170	0.22	0.28	0.170	0.30	0.34
300	0.150	0.170	0.26	0.31	0.155	0.165	0.23	0.155	0.25	0.29	0.150	0.23	0.27	0.135	0.140	0.195	0.135	0.22	0.26	0.135	0.29	0.32
400	0.115	0.140	0.26	0.30	0.125	0.160	0.20	0.120	0.25	0.28	0.130	0.22	0.26	0.110	0.140	0.175	0.110	0.21	0.24	0.105	0.29	0.31
500	0.091	0.115	0.26	0.28	0.100	0.155	0.185	0.097	0.24	0.26	0.105	0.22	0.24	0.089	0.135	0.165	0.089	0.21	0.23	0.085	0.29	0.30
630	0.072	0.100	0.25	0.27	0.082	0.155	0.175	0.077	0.24	0.25	0.085	0.22	0.24	0.073	0.135	0.155	0.073	0.21	0.22	0.067	0.28	0.29

* Spacings larger than those specified in Method 12 (see table M300.51) will result in larger voltage drop.

TABLE E3705.1(12a)

ALLOWABLE AMPACITIES AT VARIOUS PHASES AND INSTALLATION CONDITIONS FOR
MULTI-CORE 85°C THERMOSETTING (RUBBER) INSULATED METRIC CABLES WITH SHEATH, NON-ARMOURED
 (COPPER CONDUCTORS)

Ambient temperature: 30 °C

Conductor operating temperature: 85 °C

CURRENT-CARRYING CAPACITY in amperes:

Conductor cross-sectional area	Reference Method 3 (enclosed)		Reference Method 1 (clipped direct)		Reference Method 11 (on a perforated cable tray) or Reference Method 13 (free air)	
	1 two-core cable, single-phase A.C. or D.C.	1 three- or four-core cable, three-phase A.C.	1 two-core cable, single-phase A.C. or D.C.	1 three- or four-core cable, three-phase A.C.	1 two-core cable, single-phase A.C. or D.C.	1 three- or four-core cable, three-phase A.C.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
(mm ²)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)
1	16.5	14.5	18	16	19.5	17.5
1.5	21	18.5	23	20	25	22
2.5	29	25	32	28	34	30
4	38	33	43	37	46	40
6	48	43	55	48	59	52
10	66	58	76	66	81	71
16	87	77	103	88	109	94
25	114	100	136	117	144	123
35	139	122	168	144	177	151
50	167	147	201	174	213	186
70	211	185	256	222	272	237
95	254	222	310	269	329	287
120	292	256	359	312	381	333
150	320	287	413	359	438	383
185	368	326	470	409	499	437
240	439	381	553	482	587	515
300	509	436	636	555	675	593

TABLE E3705.1(12b)
VOLTAGE DROP FOR MULTI-CORE 85°C THERMOSETTING (RUBBER) INSULATED METRIC CABLES WITH SHEATH, NON-ARMOURED
(COPPER CONDUCTORS)

VOLTAGE-DROP (per ampere per metre):

Conductor operating temperature: 85 °C

Conductor cross-sectional area	Two-core cable, D.C.	Two-core cable, single-phase A.C.			Three- or four-core cable, three-phase A.C.		
1	2	3			4		
(mm ²)	(mV/A/m)	(mV/A/m)			(mV/A/m)		
1	46	46			40		
1.5	31	31			26		
2.5	19	19			16		
4	12	12			10		
6	7.7	7.7			6.7		
10	4.6	4.6			4.0		
16	2.9	2.9			2.5		
		r	x	z	r	x	z
25	1.80	1.85	0.175	1.85	1.60	0.150	1.60
35	1.30	1.30	0.170	1.35	1.15	0.150	1.15
50	0.95	0.97	0.170	0.99	0.84	0.145	0.86
70	0.65	0.66	0.165	0.68	0.58	0.140	0.59
95	0.48	0.49	0.160	0.52	0.43	0.140	0.45
120	0.38	0.39	0.160	0.42	0.34	0.135	0.36
150	0.30	0.31	0.155	0.35	0.27	0.135	0.30
185	0.25	0.25	0.155	0.30	0.22	0.130	0.26
240	0.190	0.195	0.150	0.25	0.170	0.130	0.22
300	0.150	0.155	0.150	0.22	0.135	0.130	0.185

TABLE E3705.1[13a(1)]

**ALLOWABLE AMPACITIES AT VARIOUS PHASES AND INSTALLATION CONDITIONS FOR MINERAL INSULATED CABLES BARE AND EXPOSED TO TOUCH (see Note 2) OR HAVING AN OVERALL THERMOPLASTIC (PVC) COVERING.
(COPPER CONDUCTORS AND SHEATH)**

Ambient temperature: 30 °C

CURRENT-CARRYING CAPACITY in amperes:

Sheath operating temperature: 70 °C

REFERENCE METHOD 1 (CLIPPED DIRECT)								
Conductor cross-sectional area	2 single-core cables, or 1 two-core cable, single-phase A.C. or D.C.	3 single-core cables in trefoil, or 1 three-core cable, three-phase A.C.	3 single-core cables in flat formation, three-phase A.C.	1 four-core cable, three cores loaded three-phase A.C.	1 four-core cable, all cores loaded	1 seven-core cable, all cores loaded	1 twelve-core cable, all cores loaded	1 nineteen-core cable, all cores loaded
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
(mm ²)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)
Light duty 500 V								
1	18.5	15	17	15	13	10	-	-
1.5	23	19	21	19.5	16.5	13	-	-
2.5	31	26	29	26	22	17.5	-	-
4	40	35	38	-	-	-	-	-
Heavy duty 750 V								
1	19.5	16	18	16.5	14.5	11.5	9.5	8.5
1.5	25	21	23	21	18	14.5	12.0	10.0
2.5	34	28	31	28	25	19.5	16.0	-
4	45	37	41	37	32	26	-	-
6	57	48	52	47	41	-	-	-
10	77	65	70	64	55	-	-	-
16	102	86	92	85	72	-	-	-
25	133	112	120	110	94	-	-	-
35	163	137	147	-	-	-	-	-
50	202	169	181	-	-	-	-	-
70	247	207	221	-	-	-	-	-
95	296	249	264	-	-	-	-	-

120	340	286	303	-	-	-	-	-
150	388	327	346	-	-	-	-	-
185	440	371	392	-	-	-	-	-
240	514	434	457	-	-	-	-	-

NOTE 1. For single-core cables, the sheaths of the circuit are assumed to be connected together at both ends.

NOTE 2. For bare cables exposed to touch, the tabulated values should be multiplied by 0.9.

NOTE 3. Deleted by BS 7671 : 1992, Amendment No 2

TABLE E3705.1{13a(2)} continued

ALLOWABLE AMPACITIES AT VARIOUS PHASES AND INSTALLATION CONDITIONS FOR MINERAL INSULATED CABLES BARE AND EXPOSED TO TOUCH (see Note 2) OR HAVING AN OVERALL THERMOPLASTIC (PVC) COVERING.
(COPPER CONDUCTORS AND SHEATH)

Ambient temperature: 30 °C
Sheath operating temperature: 70 °C

CURRENT-CARRYING CAPACITY in amperes:

REFERENCE METHOD 11 (ON A PERFORATED CABLE TRAY, HORIZONTAL OR VERTICAL)												
Conductor cross-sectional area	2 single-core cables, touching	1 two-core cable,	1 three-core cable, three-phase A.C.	1 four-core cable, three cores loaded	1 four-core cable, all cores loaded	1 seven-core cable, all cores loaded	1 twelve-core cable, all cores loaded	1 nineteen-core cable, all cores loaded	3 single-core cables, three-phase A.C.			
	Single-phase A.C. or D.C.			three-phase A.C.	Vertical spaced	Horizontal spaced	Flat touching	Trefoil				
1	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
(mm ²)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)
Light duty 500 V												
1	18.5	19.5	16.5	16	14	11	-	-	19	22	17	16.5
1.5	24	25	21	21	18	14	-	-	25	28	22	21
2.5	31	33	28	28	24	19	-	-	32	37	29	28
4	42	44	37	-	-	-	-	-	43	48	39	37
Heavy duty 750 V												
1	20	21	17.5	18	16	12	10	9	21	24	19	17.5
1.5	25	26	22	23	20	15.5	13	11	27	30	25	22

2.5	34	36	30	30	27	21	17	-	35	41	32	30
4	45	47	40	40	35	28	-	-	47	53	43	40
6	57	60	51	51	44	-	-	-	59	67	54	51
10	78	82	69	68	59	-	-	-	80	90	73	69
16	104	109	92	89	78	-	-	-	105	119	97	92
25	135	142	120	116	101	-	-	-	135	154	125	120
35	165	174	147	-	-	-	-	-	164	187	153	147
50	204	215	182	-	-	-	-	-	202	230	188	182
70	251	264	223	-	-	-	-	-	246	279	229	223
95	301	317	267	-	-	-	-	-	294	333	275	267
120	346	364	308	-	-	-	-	-	335	382	314	308
150	395	416	352	-	-	-	-	-	380	431	358	352
185	448	472	399	-	-	-	-	-	424	482	405	399
240	524	552	466	-	-	-	-	-	472	537	471	466

NOTES

1. For single-core cables, the sheaths of the circuit are assumed to be connected together at both ends.
2. For bare cables exposed to touch, the tabulated values should be multiplied by 0.9.
3. Deleted by BS 7671 : 1992, Amendment No 2.

TABLE E3705.1{13a(3)} continued

ALLOWABLE AMPACITIES AT VARIOUS PHASES AND INSTALLATION CONDITIONS FOR MINERAL INSULATED CABLES BARE AND EXPOSED TO TOUCH (SEE NOTE 2) OR HAVING AN OVERALL THERMOPLASTIC (PVC) COVERING
(COPPER CONDUCTORS AND SHEATH)

Ambient temperature: 30 °C

Sheath operating temperature: 70 °C

CURRENT-CARRYING CAPACITY in amperes:

REFERENCE METHODS 12 and 13 (FREE AIR)										
Conductor cross-sectional area	2 single-core cables, or 1 two-core cable, single-phase A.C. or D.C.	3 single-core cables in trefoil, or 1 three-core cable, three phase A.C.	1 four-core cable, three cores loaded	1 four-core cable, all cores loaded	1 seven-core cable, all cores loaded	1 twelve-core cable, all cores loaded	1 nineteen-core cable, all cores loaded	3 single-core cables, three-phase A.C.		
								Vertical spaced	Horizontal spaced	Touching
1	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31
(mm ²)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)
Light duty 500 V										
1	19.5	16.5	16	14	11	-	-	20	23	18
1.5	25	21	21	18	14	-	-	26	29	23
2.5	33	28	28	24	19	-	-	34	39	31
4	44	37	-	-	-	-	-	45	51	41
Heavy duty 750 V										
1	21	17.5	18	16	12	10	9	22	25	20
1.5	26	22	23	20	15.5	13	11	28	32	26

2.5	36	30	30	27	21	17	-	37	43	34
4	47	40	40	35	28	-	-	49	56	45
6	60	51	51	44	-	-	-	62	71	57
10	82	69	68	59	-	-	-	84	95	77
16	109	92	89	78	-	-	-	110	125	102
25	142	120	116	101	-	-	-	142	162	132
35	174	147	-	-	-	-	-	173	197	161
50	215	182	-	-	-	-	-	213	242	198
70	264	223	-	-	-	-	-	259	294	241
95	317	267	-	-	-	-	-	309	351	289
120	364	308	-	-	-	-	-	353	402	331
150	416	352	-	-	-	-	-	400	454	377
185	472	399	-	-	-	-	-	446	507	426
240	552	466	-	-	-	-	-	497	565	496

NOTES

1. For single-core cables, the sheaths of the circuit are assumed to be connected together at both ends.
2. For bare cables exposed to touch, the tabulated values should be multiplied by 0.9.
3. Deleted by BS 7671 : 1992, Amendment No 2.

TABLE E3705.1{13b(1)}

MINERAL INSULATED CABLES BARE AND EXPOSED TO TOUCH OR HAVING AN OVERALL THERMOPLASTIC (PVC) COVERING
(COPPER CONDUCTORS AND SHEATH)

VOLTAGE DROP (per ampere per metre) for single-phase A.C. or D.C.:

Sheath operating temperature: 70 °C

Conductor cross-sectional area 1	Two single-core cables, touching 2			One two-core or multi-core ¹ cable 3		
(mm ²)	(mV/A/m)			(mV/A/m)		
1	42			42		
1.5	28			28		
2.5	17			17		
4	10			10		
6	7			7		
10	4.2			4.2		
16	2.6			2.6		
	r	x	z	r	x	z
25	1.65	0.200	1.65	1.65	0.145	1.65
35	1.20	0.195	1.20	-	-	-
50	0.89	0.185	0.91	-	-	-
70	0.62	0.180	0.64	-	-	-
95	0.46	0.175	0.49	-	-	-
120	0.37	0.170	0.41	-	-	-
150	0.30	0.170	0.34	-	-	-
185	0.25	0.165	0.29	-	-	-
240	0.190	0.160	0.25	-	-	-

NOTE:

¹ Multiple single-phase A.C. or D.C. circuits in a multi-core cable.

TABLE E3705.1{13b(2)} continued
MINERAL INSULATED CABLES BARE AND EXPOSED TO TOUCH OR HAVING AN OVERALL THERMOPLASTIC (PVC) COVERING
(COPPER CONDUCTORS AND SHEATH)

VOLTAGE DROP (per ampere per metre) for three-phase operation:

Sheath operating temperature: 70 °C

Conductor cross-sectional area 1	Three single-core cables									One three-core or four-core or multi-core ¹ cable 5		
	Trefoil touching 2			Flat formation								
				Touching 3			Spaced 1 cable diameter apart 4					
(mm ²)	(mV/A/m)			(mV/A/m)			(mV/A/m)			(mV/A/m)		
1	36			36			36			36		
1.5	24			24			24			24		
2.5	14			14			14			14		
4	9.1			9.1			9.1			9.1		
6	6.0			6.0			6.0			6.0		
10	3.6			3.6			3.6			3.6		
16	2.3			2.3			2.3			2.3		
	r	x	z	r	x	z	r	x	z	r	x	Z
25	1.45	0.170	1.45	1.45	0.25	1.45	1.45	0.32	1.50	1.45	0.125	1.45
35	1.05	0.165	1.05	1.05	0.24	1.10	1.05	0.31	1.10	-	-	-
50	0.78	0.160	0.80	0.79	0.24	0.83	0.82	0.31	0.87	-	-	-
70	0.54	0.155	0.56	0.55	0.23	0.60	0.58	0.30	0.65	-	-	-
95	0.40	0.150	0.43	0.41	0.22	0.47	0.44	0.29	0.53	-	-	-
120	0.32	0.150	0.36	0.33	0.22	0.40	0.36	0.28	0.46	-	-	-
150	0.26	0.145	0.30	0.29	0.21	0.36	0.32	0.27	0.42	-	-	-
185	0.21	0.140	0.26	0.25	0.21	0.32	0.28	0.26	0.39	-	-	-
240	0.165	0.140	0.22	0.21	0.20	0.29	0.26	0.25	0.36	-	-	-

NOTE

¹ Multiple three-phase circuits in a multi-core cable.

TABLE E3705.1{14a(1)}

**ALLOWABLE AMPACITIES AT VARIOUS PHASES AND INSTALLATION CONDITIONS FOR
MINERAL INSULATED METRIC CABLES BARE AND NEITHER EXPOSED TO TOUCH NOR IN CONTACT WITH COMBUSTIBLE MATERIALS
(COPPER CONDUCTORS AND SHEATH)**

Ambient temperature: 30°C

CURRENT-CARRYING CAPACITY in amperes:

Sheath operating temperature: 105 °C

REFERENCE METHOD 1 (CLIPPED DIRECT)								
Conductor cross-sectional area	single-core cables, or 1 two-core cable, single-phase A.C. or D.C.	3 single-core cables in trefoil, or 1 three-core cable, three-phase A.C.	3 single-core cables in flat formation, three-phase A.C.	1 four-core cable, three cores loaded three-phase A.C.	1 four-core cable, all cores loaded	1 seven-core cable, all cores loaded	1 twelve-core cable, all cores loaded	1 nineteen-core cable, all cores loaded
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
(mm ²)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)
Light duty 500 V								
1	22	19	21	18.5	16.5	13	-	-
1.5	28	24	27	24	21	16.5	-	-
2.5	38	33	36	33	28	22	-	-
4	51	44	47	-	-	-	-	-
Heavy duty 750 V								
1	24	20	24	20	17.5	14	12	10.5
1.5	31	26	30	26	22	17.5	15.5	13
2.5	42	35	41	35	30	24	20	-
4	55	47	53	46	40	32	-	-
6	70	59	67	58	50	-	-	-
10	96	81	91	78	68	-	-	-
16	127	107	119	103	90	-	-	-
25	166	140	154	134	117	-	-	-
35	203	171	187	-	-	-	-	-
50	251	212	230	-	-	-	-	-
70	307	260	280	-	-	-	-	-
95	369	312	334	-	-	-	-	-
120	424	359	383	-	-	-	-	-
150	485	410	435	-	-	-	-	-
185	550	465	492	-	-	-	-	-
240	643	544	572	-	-	-	-	-

continued

NOTES

1. For single-core cables, the sheaths of the circuit are assumed to be connected together at both ends.
2. No correction factor for grouping need be applied.
3. Where a conductor operates at a temperature exceeding 70 °C it shall be ascertained that the equipment connected to the conductor is suitable for the conductor operating temperature.

TABLE E3705.1{14a(2)} continued

**ALLOWABLE AMPACITIES AT VARIOUS PHASES AND INSTALLATION CONDITIONS FOR
MINERAL INSULATED CABLES BARE AND NEITHER EXPOSED TO TOUCH NOR IN CONTACT WITH COMBUSTIBLE MATERIALS
(COPPER CONDUCTORS AND SHEATH)**

Ambient temperature: 30 °C

CURRENT-CARRYING CAPACITY in amperes:

Sheath operating temperature: 105 °C

REFERENCE METHODS 12 and 13 (FREE AIR)										
Conductor cross-sectional area 1	2 single- core cables, or 1 two-core cable, single- phase A.C. or D.C. 10	3 single- core cables in trefoil, or 1 three- core cable, three- phase A.C. 11	1 four- core cable, three cores loaded three- phase A.C. 12	1 four- core cable, all cores loaded 13	1 seven- core cable, all cores loaded 14	1 twelve- core cable, all cores loaded 15	1 nineteen - core cable, all cores loaded 16	3 single-core cables, three-phase A.C.		
								Vertical spaced 17	Horizontal spaced 18	Touching 19
(mm ²)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)
Light duty 500 V										
1	24	21	20	18	14	-	-	26	29	23
1.5	31	26	26	22	18	-	-	33	37	29
2.5	41	35	35	30	24	-	-	43	49	39
4	54	46	-	-	-	-	-	56	64	51
Heavy duty 750 V										
1	26	22	22	19	15	13	11	28	32	25
1.5	33	28	28	24	19	16.5	14	35	40	32
2.5	45	38	37	32	26	22	-	47	54	43
4	60	50	49	43	34	-	-	61	70	56
6	76	64	63	54	-	-	-	78	89	71
10	104	87	85	73	-	-	-	105	120	96
16	137	115	112	97	-	-	-	137	157	127
25	179	150	146	126	-	-	-	178	204	164
35	220	184	-	-	-	-	-	216	248	200
50	272	228	-	-	-	-	-	266	304	247
70	333	279	-	-	-	-	-	323	370	300
95	400	335	-	-	-	-	-	385	441	359
120	460	385	-	-	-	-	-	441	505	411
150	526	441	-	-	-	-	-	498	565	469
185	596	500	-	-	-	-	-	557	629	530
240	697	584	-	-	-	-	-	624	704	617

NOTES

- For single-core cables, the sheaths of the circuit are assumed to be connected together at both ends.
- No correction factor for grouping need be applied.

3. Where a conductor operates at a temperature exceeding 70 °C it shall be ascertained that the equipment connected to the conductor is suitable for the conductor operating temperature.

TABLE E3705.1(14b)(1)

MINERAL INSULATED CABLES BARE AND NEITHER EXPOSED TO TOUCH NOR IN CONTACT WITH COMBUSTIBLE MATERIALS
(COPPER CONDUCTORS AND SHEATH)

VOLTAGE DROP (per ampere per metre) for single-phase A.C. or D.C.:

Sheath operating temperature: 105 °C

Conductor cross-sectional area	Two single-core cables touching			One two-core or multi-core ¹ cable			
1	2			3			
(mm ²)	(mV/A/m)			(mV/A/m)			
1	47			47			
1.5	31			31			
2.5	19			19			
4	12			12			
6	7.8			7.8			
10	4.7			4.7			
16	3.0			3.0			
	r	X	z	r	x	z	
25	1.85	0.180	1.85	1.85	0.145	1.85	
35	1.35	0.175	1.35	-	-	-	
50	1.00	0.170	1.00	-	-	-	
70	0.69	0.165	0.71	-	-	-	
95	0.51	0.160	0.54	-	-	-	
120	0.41	0.160	0.44	-	-	-	
150	0.33	0.155	0.36	-	-	-	
185	0.27	0.150	0.31	-	-	-	
240	0.21	0.150	0.26	-	-	-	

continued

NOTE

¹ Multiple single-phase A.C. or D.C. circuits in a multi-core cable

TABLE E3705.1(14b)(2) (continued)
 ALLOWABLE AMPACITIES AT VARIOUS PHASES AND INSTALLATION CONDITIONS FOR
MINERAL INSULATED CABLES BARE AND NEITHER EXPOSED TO TOUCH NOR IN CONTACT WITH COMBUSTIBLE MATERIALS
 (COPPER CONDUCTORS AND SHEATH)

VOLTAGE DROP (per ampere per metre) for three-phase operation:

Sheath operating temperature: 105 °C

Conductor cross-sectional area 1	Three single-core cables									One three-core or four-core or multi-core ¹ cable 5		
	Trefoil touching 2			Flat formation								
				Touching 3			Spaced 1 cable diameter apart 4					
(mm ²)	(mV/A/m)			(mV/A/m)			(mV/A/m)			(mV/A/m)		
1	40			40			40			40		
1.5	27			27			27			27		
2.5	16			16			16			16		
4	10			10			10			10		
6	6.8			6.8			6.8			6.8		
10	4.1			4.1			4.1			4.1		
16	2.6			2.6			2.6			2.6		
	r	x	z	r	x	z	r	x	z	r	x	Z
25	1.60	0.160	1.65	1.60	0.23	1.65	1.60	0.31	1.65	1.60	0.125	1.60
35	1.15	0.155	1.20	1.15	0.23	1.20	1.20	0.30	1.25	-	-	-
50	0.87	0.150	0.88	0.88	0.22	0.91	0.90	0.29	0.95	-	-	-
70	0.60	0.145	0.62	0.61	0.22	0.65	0.63	0.29	0.70	-	-	-
95	0.45	0.140	0.47	0.46	0.21	0.50	0.48	0.28	0.56	-	-	-
120	0.36	0.135	0.38	0.37	0.21	0.42	0.39	0.28	0.48	-	-	-
150	0.29	0.135	0.32	0.31	0.20	0.37	0.34	0.27	0.43	-	-	-
185	0.23	0.130	0.27	0.26	0.20	0.33	0.29	0.26	0.39	-	-	-
240	0.180	0.130	0.22	0.22	0.195	0.29	0.26	0.25	0.36	-	-	-

NOTE: ¹ Multiple three-phase circuits in a multi-core cable

TABLE E3705.1(15a)

ALLOWABLE AMPACITIES AT VARIOUS PHASES AND INSTALLATION CONDITIONS FOR
SINGLE-CORE 70 °C THERMOPLASTIC (PVC) INSULATED CABLES, NON-ARMOURED, WITH OR WITHOUT SHEATH
 (ALUMINIUM CONDUCTORS)

Ambient temperature: 30 °C

CURRENT-CARRYING CAPACITY (amperes):

Conductor operating temperature: 70 °C

Conductor cross-sectional area	Reference Method 4 (enclosed in conduit in thermally insulating wall etc.)		Reference Method 3 (enclosed in conduit on a wall or in trunking etc.)		Reference Method 1 (clipped direct)		Reference Method 11 (on a perforated cable tray horizontal or vertical)		Reference Method 12 (free air)		
	2 cables, single-phase A.C. or D.C.	3 or 4 cables, three-phase A.C.	2 cables, single-phase A.C. or D.C.	3 or 4 cables, three-phase A.C.	2 cables, single-phase A.C. or D.C. flat and touching	3 or 4 cables, three-phase A.C. flat and touching or trefoil	2 cables, single-phase A.C. or D.C. flat and touching	3 or 4 cables, three-phase A.C. flat and touching or trefoil	2 cables, single-phase A.C. or D.C. or 3 cables three-phase A.C.	2 cables, single-phase A.C. or D.C. or 3 cables three-phase A.C.	3 cables trefoil, three-phase A.C.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
(mm ²)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)
50	93	84	118	104	134	123	144	132	163	148	128
70	118	107	150	133	172	159	185	169	210	191	165
95	142	129	181	161	210	194	225	206	256	234	203
120	164	149	210	186	245	226	261	240	298	273	237
150	189	170	234	204	283	261	301	277	344	317	274
185	215	194	266	230	324	299	344	317	394	364	316
240	252	227	312	269	384	354	407	375	466	432	375
300	289	261	358	306	444	410	469	433	538	501	435
380	-	-	413	352	511	472	543	502	625	584	507
480	-	-	477	405	591	546	629	582	726	680	590
600	-	-	545	462	679	626	722	669	837	787	680
740	-	-	-	-	771	709	820	761	956	902	776
960	-	-	-	-	900	823	953	886	1125	1066	907
1200	-	-	-	-	1022	926	1073	999	1293	1229	1026

NOTE:

These current-carrying capacity ratings apply where conductor is to be protected by a semi-enclosed fuse, such as an instantaneous magnetic trip circuit breaker, complying to BS 3036.

TABLE E3705.1(15b)
SINGLE-CORE 70 °C THERMOPLASTIC (PVC) INSULATED CABLES, NON-ARMOURED, WITH OR WITHOUT SHEATH
(ALUMINIUM CONDUCTORS)

VOLTAGE DROP (per ampere per metre):

Conductor operating temperature: 70 °C

Conductor cross-sectional area	2 cables, D.C.	2 cables, single-phase A.C.									3 or 4 cables, three-phase A.C.											
		Reference Methods 3 &4 (enclosed in conduit etc. in or on a wall)			Reference Methods 1 &11 (clipped direct or on trays, touching)			Reference Method 12 (spaced*)			Reference Methods 3 &4 (enclosed in conduit etc. in or on a wall)			Reference Methods 1, 11 & 12 (in trefoil touching)			Reference Methods 1 &11 (flat touching)			Reference Method 12 (flat spaced ¹)		
1	2	3			4			5			6			7			8			9		
(mm ²)	(mV/A/m)	(mV/A/m)			(mV/A/m)			(mV/A/m)			(mV/A/m)			(mV/A/m)			(mV/A/m)			(mV/A/m)		
		r	x	z	r	x	z	r	x	z	r	x	z	r	x	z	r	X	z	r	x	z
50	1.55	1.60	0.30	1.60	1.55	0.190	1.55	1.55	0.28	1.55	1.35	0.26	1.40	1.35	0.165	1.35	1.35	0.24	1.35	1.35	0.32	1.40
70	1.05	1.10	0.30	1.15	1.05	0.185	1.05	1.05	0.27	1.10	0.94	0.26	0.97	0.91	0.160	0.92	0.91	0.24	0.94	0.91	0.31	0.96
95	0.77	0.81	0.29	0.86	0.77	0.185	0.79	0.77	0.27	0.82	0.70	0.25	0.74	0.67	0.160	0.69	0.67	0.23	0.71	0.67	0.31	0.74
120	0.61	0.64	0.29	0.70	0.61	0.180	0.64	0.61	0.27	0.67	0.55	0.25	0.61	0.53	0.155	0.55	0.53	0.23	0.58	0.53	0.31	0.61
150	0.49	0.51	0.28	0.59	0.49	0.175	0.52	0.49	0.26	0.55	0.45	0.24	0.51	0.42	0.155	0.45	0.42	0.23	0.48	0.42	0.30	0.52
185	0.39	0.42	0.28	0.50	0.40	0.175	0.43	0.39	0.26	0.47	0.36	0.24	0.44	0.34	0.150	0.37	0.34	0.23	0.41	0.34	0.30	0.46
240	0.30	0.32	0.27	0.42	0.30	0.170	0.35	0.30	0.26	0.40	0.28	0.24	0.37	0.26	0.150	0.30	0.26	0.22	0.35	0.26	0.30	0.40
300	0.24	0.26	0.27	0.37	0.24	0.170	0.30	0.24	0.26	0.35	0.23	0.23	0.32	0.21	0.145	0.26	0.21	0.22	0.31	0.21	0.30	0.36
380	0.190	0.22	0.27	0.35	0.195	0.165	0.26	0.195	0.25	0.32	0.190	0.23	0.30	0.170	0.145	0.22	0.170	0.22	0.28	0.170	0.29	0.34
480	0.150	0.180	0.26	0.32	0.155	0.165	0.23	0.155	0.25	0.29	0.155	0.23	0.27	0.140	0.140	0.195	0.140	0.22	0.26	0.135	0.29	0.32
600	0.120	0.150	0.26	0.30	0.130	0.160	0.21	0.125	0.25	0.28	0.125	0.22	0.26	0.110	0.140	0.180	0.110	0.22	0.24	0.110	0.29	0.31
740	0.099	-	-	-	0.105	0.160	0.190	0.100	0.25	0.27	-	-	-	0.094	0.135	0.165	0.094	0.21	0.23	0.089	0.29	0.30
960	0.075	-	-	-	0.086	0.155	0.180	0.082	0.24	0.26	-	-	-	0.077	0.135	0.155	0.077	0.21	0.22	0.071	0.29	0.29
1200	0.060	-	-	-	0.074	0.155	0.170	0.068	0.24	0.25	-	-	-	0.066	0.135	0.150	0.066	0.21	0.22	0.059	0.28	0.29

NOTE: ¹ Spacings larger than those specified in Method 12 (see Figure M-E3705.1) will result in a larger voltage drop.

TABLE E3705.1(16a)
ALLOWABLE AMPACITIES AT VARIOUS PHASES AND INSTALLATION CONDITIONS FOR
MULTI-CORE 70 °C THERMOPLASTIC (PVC) INSULATED CABLES, NON-ARMOURED
(ALUMINIUM CONDUCTORS)

Ambient temperature: 30 °C

CURRENT-CARRYING CAPACITY (amperes):

Conductor operating temperature: 70 °C

Conductor cross-sectional area	Reference Method 4 (enclosed in an insulating wall etc.)		Reference Method 3 (enclosed in conduit on a wall or ceiling, or in trunking)		Reference Method 1 (clipped direct)		Reference Method 11 (on a perforated cable tray) or Reference Method 13 (free air)	
	1 two-core cable, single-phase A.C. or D.C.	1 three- or four-core cable, three-phase A.C.	1 two-core cable, single-phase A.C. or D.C.	1 three- or four-core cable, three-phase A.C.	1 two-core cable, single-phase A.C. or D.C.	1 three- or four-core cable, three-phase A.C.	1 two-core cable, single-phase A.C. or D.C.	1 three- or four-core cable, three-phase A.C.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
(mm ²)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)
16	44	41	54	48	66	59	73	61
25	58	53	71	62	83	73	89	78
35	71	65	86	77	103	90	111	96
50	86	78	104	92	125	110	135	117
70	108	98	131	116	160	140	173	150
95	130	118	157	139	195	170	210	183
120	-	135	-	160	-	197	-	212
150	-	155	-	184	-	227	-	245
185	-	176	-	210	-	259	-	280
240	-	207	-	248	-	305	-	330
300	-	237	-	285	-	351	-	381

NOTE

These current-carrying capacity ratings apply where conductor is to be protected by a semi-enclosed fuse, such as an instantaneous magnetic trip circuit breaker, complying to BS 3036.

TABLE E3705.1(16b)
MULTI-CORE 70 °C THERMOPLASTIC (PVC) INSULATED CABLES, NON-ARMOURED
 (ALUMINIUM CONDUCTORS)

VOLTAGE DROP (per ampere per metre):

Conductor operating temperature: 70 °C

Conductor cross-sectional area 1	Two-core cable, D.C. 2	Two-core cable, single-phase A.C. 3			Three- or four-core cable, three-phase A.C. 4		
(mm ²)	(mV/A/m)	(mV/A/m)			(mV/A/m)		
16	4.5	4.5			3.9		
		r	x	z	r	x	Z
25	2.9	2.9	0.175	2.9	2.5	0.150	2.5
35	2.1	2.1	0.170	2.1	1.80	0.150	1.80
50	1.55	1.55	0.170	1.55	1.35	0.145	1.35
70	1.05	1.05	0.165	1.05	0.90	0.140	0.92
95	0.77	0.77	0.160	0.79	0.67	0.140	0.68
120	-	-	-	-	0.53	0.135	0.55
150	-	-	-	-	0.42	0.135	0.44
185	-	-	-	-	0.34	0.135	0.37
240	-	-	-	-	0.26	0.130	0.30
300	-	-	-	-	0.21	0.130	0.25

TABLE E3705.1(17a)

ALLOWABLE AMPACITIES AT VARIOUS PHASES AND INSTALLATION CONDITIONS FOR
SINGLE-CORE 70 °C ARMoured THERMOPLASTIC (PVC) INSULATED CABLES (NON-MAGNETIC ARMOUR)
 (ALUMINIUM CONDUCTORS)

Ambient temperature: 30 °C

CURRENT-CARRYING CAPACITY (amperes):

Conductor operating temperature: 70 °C

Conductor cross-sectional area	Reference Method 1 (clipped direct)		Reference Method 11 (on a perforated cable tray)		Reference Method 12 (free air)						
	2 cables, single-phase A.C. or D.C. flat and touching	3 or 4 cables, three-phase A.C. flat and touching	2 cables, single-phase A.C. or D.C. flat and touching	3 or 4 cables, three-phase A.C. flat and touching	2 cables, single-phase A.C.		2 cables, D.C. spaced		3 or 4 cables, three-phase A.C.		
					Horizontal flat spaced	Vertical flat spaced	Horizontal	Vertical	Horizontal flat spaced	Vertical flat spaced	3 cables trefoil
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
(mm ²)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)
50	143	133	152	141	168	159	167	157	169	155	131
70	183	168	194	178	212	200	214	202	213	196	168
95	221	202	234	214	259	245	261	247	255	236	205
120	255	233	270	246	299	285	303	288	293	272	238
150	294	267	310	282	340	323	349	333	335	312	275
185	334	303	352	319	389	371	400	382	379	354	315
240	393	354	413	374	457	437	472	452	443	415	372
300	452	405	474	427	520	498	545	523	505	475	430
380	518	452	543	479	583	559	638	613	551	518	497
480	586	501	616	534	655	629	742	715	604	568	568
600	658	550	692	589	724	696	859	828	656	618	642
740	728	596	769	642	802	770	986	952	707	666	715
960	819	651	868	706	866	832	1171	1133	770	726	808

1200	893	692	952	756	938	902	1360	1317	822	774	880
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TABLE E3705.1(17b)
SINGLE-CORE 70 °C ARMoured THERMOPLASTIC (PVC) INSULATED CABLES (NON-MAGNETIC ARMOUR)
(ALUMINIUM CONDUCTORS)

NOTE

These current-carrying capacity ratings apply where the conductor is to be protected by a semi-enclosed fuse, such as an instantaneous magnetic trip circuit breaker, complying to BS 3036.

VOLTAGE DROP (per ampere per metre):

Conductor operating temperature: 70 °C

Conductor cross-sectional area 1	2 cables, D.C. 2	2 cables, single-phase A.C.		3 or 4 cables, three-phase A.C.		
		Reference Methods 1 & 11 (touching) 3	Reference Method 12 (spaced*) 4	Reference Methods 1, 11 & 12 (in trefoil touching) 5	Reference Methods 1 & 11 (flat and touching) 6	Reference Method 12 (flat spaced ¹) 7
(mm ²)	(mV/A/m)	(mV/A/m)	(mV/A/m)	(mV/A/m)	(mV/A/m)	(mV/A/m)
		r x z	r x z	r x z	r x z	r x Z

50	1.55	1.55	0.23	1.55	1.55	0.31	1.55	1.35	0.195	1.35	1.35	0.27	1.35	1.30	0.34	1.35
70	1.05	1.05	0.22	1.10	1.05	0.30	1.10	0.92	0.190	0.93	0.93	0.26	0.96	0.95	0.33	1.00
95	0.77	0.78	0.21	0.81	0.81	0.29	0.86	0.68	0.185	0.70	0.70	0.25	0.75	0.73	0.32	0.80
120	0.61	0.62	0.21	0.66	0.65	0.29	0.71	0.54	0.180	0.57	0.57	0.25	0.62	0.60	0.32	0.68
150	0.49	0.50	0.20	0.54	0.53	0.28	0.60	0.44	0.175	0.47	0.46	0.24	0.52	0.50	0.31	0.58
185	0.39	0.41	0.195	0.45	0.44	0.28	0.52	0.35	0.170	0.39	0.38	0.24	0.45	0.42	0.30	0.51
240	0.30	0.32	0.190	0.37	0.34	0.27	0.44	0.28	0.165	0.32	0.30	0.23	0.38	0.33	0.29	0.44
300	0.24	0.26	0.185	0.32	0.28	0.26	0.39	0.22	0.160	0.27	0.24	0.23	0.34	0.28	0.29	0.40
380	0.190	0.22	0.185	0.28	0.26	0.25	0.36	0.185	0.155	0.24	0.22	0.22	0.32	0.27	0.26	0.38
480	0.150	0.180	0.180	0.25	0.22	0.25	0.33	0.155	0.155	0.22	0.195	0.22	0.29	0.24	0.25	0.35
600	0.120	0.150	0.175	0.23	0.195	0.24	0.31	0.130	0.150	0.200	0.170	0.21	0.27	0.21	0.24	0.32
740	0.097	0.135	0.170	0.22	0.180	0.23	0.29	0.115	0.145	0.185	0.160	0.20	0.26	0.200	0.22	0.30
960	0.075	0.115	0.160	0.200	0.165	0.21	0.27	0.100	0.140	0.175	0.150	0.185	0.24	0.190	0.195	0.27
1200	0.060	0.110	0.155	0.190	0.160	0.180	0.24	0.094	0.140	0.170	0.145	0.160	0.22	0.185	0.165	0.25

NOTE

¹ Spacings larger than those specified in Method 12 (see Figure M-E3705.1) will result in larger voltage drop.

TABLE E3705.1(18a)
ALLOWABLE AMPACITIES AT VARIOUS PHASES AND INSTALLATION CONDITIONS FOR
MULTI-CORE 70 °C ARMoured THERMOPLASTIC (PVC) INSULATED CABLES
(ALUMINIUM CONDUCTORS)

CURRENT-CARRYING CAPACITY in amperes: Ambient temperature: 30 °C
Conductor operating temperature: 70 °C

Conductor cross-sectional area	Reference Method 1 (clipped direct)		Reference Method 11 (on a perforated cable tray) or Reference Method 13 (free air)	
	1 two-core cable, single-phase A.C. or D.C.	1 three- or four- core cable, three-phase A.C.	1 two-core cable, single-phase A.C. or D.C.	1 three- or four- core cable, three-phase A.C.
1	2	3	4	5
(mm ²)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)
16	68	58	71	61
25	89	76	94	80
35	109	94	115	99
50	131	113	139	119
70	165	143	175	151
95	199	174	211	186
120	-	202	-	216
150	-	232	-	250
185	-	265	-	287
240	-	312	-	342
300	-	360	-	399

NOTE

These current-carrying capacity ratings apply where conductor is to be protected by a semi-enclosed fuse, such as an instantaneous magnetic trip circuit breaker, complying to BS 3036.

TABLE E3705.1(18b)
MULTI-CORE 70 °C ARMoured THERMOPLASTIC (PVC) INSULATED CABLES
(ALUMINIUM CONDUCTORS)

VOLTAGE DROP (per ampere per metre):

Conductor operating temperature: 70 °C

Conductor cross-sectional area 1	Two-core cable, D.C. 2	Two-core cable, single-phase A.C. 3			Three- or four-core cable, three-phase A.C. 4		
(mm ²)	(mV/A/m)	(mV/A/m)			(mV/A/m)		
		r	x	z	r	x	z
16	4.5				3.9		
25	2.9	2.9	0.175	2.9	2.5	0.150	2.5
35	2.1	2.1	0.170	2.1	1.80	0.150	1.80
50	1.55	1.55	0.170	1.55	1.35	0.145	1.35
70	1.05	1.05	0.165	1.05	0.90	0.140	0.92
95	0.77	0.77	0.160	0.79	0.67	0.140	0.68
120	-	-	-	-	0.53	0.135	0.55
150	-	-	-	-	0.42	0.135	0.44
185	-	-	-	-	0.34	0.135	0.37
240	-	-	-	-	0.26	0.130	0.30
300	-	-	-	-	0.21	0.130	0.25

TABLE E3705.1(19a)

ALLOWABLE AMPACITIES AT VARIOUS PHASES AND INSTALLATION CONDITIONS FOR
SINGLE-CORE 90 °C THERMOSETTING INSULATED CABLES, UNARMoured, WITH OR WITHOUT SHEATH
 (ALUMINIUM CONDUCTORS)

Ambient temperature: 30 °C

CURRENT-CARRYING CAPACITY (amperes):

Conductor operating temperature: 90 °C

Conductor cross-sectional area	Reference Method 4 (enclosed in conduit in thermally insulating wall etc.)		Reference Method 3 (enclosed in conduit on a wall or in trunking etc.)		Reference Method 1 (clipped direct)		Reference Method 11 (on a perforated cable tray horizontal or vertical)		Reference Method 12 (free air)		
	2 cables, single-phase a.c. or d.c.	3 or 4 cables, three-phase a.c.	2 cables, single-phase a.c. or d.c.	3 or 4 cables, three-phase a.c.	2 cables, single-phase a.c. or d.c. flat and touching	3 or 4 cables, three-phase a.c. flat and touching or trefoil	2 cables, single-phase a.c. or d.c. flat and touching	3 or 4 cables, three-phase a.c. flat and touching or trefoil	Horizontal flat spaced	Vertical flat spaced	Trefoil
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
(mm ²)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)
50	125	113	157	140	169	149	180	165	210	188	159
70	158	142	200	179	215	189	231	211	271	244	206
95	191	171	242	217	265	234	281	258	332	300	253
120	220	197	281	251	308	273	326	300	387	351	296
150	253	226	-	-	353	314	376	346	448	408	343
185	288	256	-	-	410	366	430	396	515	470	395
240	338	300	-	-	489	438	509	469	611	561	471
300	387	344	-	-	564	507	586	541	708	652	544
380	-	-	-	-	658	594	679	628	798	742	638
480	-	-	-	-	765	692	786	728	927	865	743
600	-	-	-	-	871	791	903	836	1058	990	849
740	-	-	-	-	1001	911	1025	951	1218	1143	979
960	-	-	-	-	1176	1072	1191	1108	1440	1355	1151
1200	-	-	-	-	1333	1217	1341	1249	1643	1550	1307

NOTES

1. These current-carrying capacity ratings apply where conductor is to be protected by a semi-enclosed fuse, such as an instantaneous magnetic trip circuit breaker, complying to BS 3036.
2. Where a conductor operates at a temperature exceeding 70 °C it shall be ascertained that the equipment connected to the conductor is suitable for the conductor operating temperature.
3. Where cables in this table are connected to equipment or accessories designed to operate at a temperature not exceeding 70 °C, the current ratings given in the equivalent table for 70 °C thermoplastic (PVC) insulated cables (Table E3705.1(17a)) shall be used.

**SINGLE-CORE 90 °C THERMOSETTING INSULATED CABLES, UNARMoured, WITH OR WITHOUT SHEATH
(ALUMINIUM CONDUCTORS)**

VOLTAGE DROP (per ampere per metre):

Conductor operating temperature: 90 °C

Conductor cross-sectional area	2 cables, D.C.	2 cables, single-phase A.C.									3 or 4 cables, three-phase A.C.											
		Reference Methods 3 & 4 (enclosed in conduit etc. in or on a wall)			Reference Methods 1 & 11 (clipped direct or on trays, touching)			Reference Method 12 (spaced*)			Reference Methods 3 & 4 (enclosed in conduit etc. in or on a wall)			Reference Methods 1, 11 & 12 (in trefoil)			Reference Methods 1 & 11 (flat and touching)			Reference Method 12 (flat spaced ¹)		
1	2	3			4			5			6			7			8			9		
(mm ²)	(mV/A/m)	(mV/A/m)			(mV/A/m)			(mV/A/m)			(mV/A/m)			(mV/A/m)			(mV/A/m)			(mV/A/m)		
		r	x	z	r	x	z	r	x	z	r	x	z	r	x	z	r	x	z	r	x	z
50	1.65	1.70	0.30	1.72	1.65	0.190	1.66	1.65	0.28	1.68	1.44	0.26	1.46	1.44	0.165	1.45	1.44	0.24	1.46	1.44	0.32	1.48
70	1.13	1.17	0.30	1.21	1.12	0.185	1.14	1.12	0.27	1.15	1.00	0.26	1.04	0.97	0.160	0.98	0.97	0.24	1.00	0.97	0.31	1.02
95	0.82	0.86	0.29	0.91	0.82	0.185	0.84	0.82	0.27	0.94	0.75	0.25	0.79	0.71	0.160	0.73	0.71	0.23	0.75	0.71	0.31	0.78
120	0.65	0.68	0.29	0.74	0.65	0.180	0.67	0.65	0.27	0.70	0.59	0.25	0.64	0.57	0.155	0.59	0.57	0.23	0.61	0.57	0.31	0.64
150	0.53	0.54	0.28	0.61	0.52	0.175	0.55	0.52	0.26	0.58	0.48	0.24	0.54	0.45	0.155	0.47	0.45	0.23	0.50	0.45	0.30	0.54
185	0.42	0.45	0.28	0.53	0.43	0.175	0.46	0.42	0.26	0.49	0.38	0.24	0.45	0.36	0.150	0.39	0.36	0.23	0.43	0.36	0.30	0.47
240	0.32	0.34	0.27	0.43	0.32	0.170	0.36	0.32	0.26	0.41	0.30	0.24	0.38	0.28	0.150	0.32	0.28	0.22	0.35	0.28	0.30	0.41
300	0.26	0.28	0.27	0.38	0.26	0.170	0.31	0.26	0.26	0.36	0.25	0.23	0.34	0.22	0.145	0.27	0.22	0.22	0.31	0.22	0.30	0.37
380	0.20	-	-	-	0.21	0.165	0.27	0.21	0.25	0.33	0.20	0.23	0.31	0.180	0.145	0.23	0.180	0.22	0.28	0.180	0.29	0.34
480	0.160	-	-	-	0.170	0.165	0.23	0.165	0.25	0.30	0.165	0.23	0.28	0.150	0.140	0.20	0.150	0.22	0.27	0.145	0.29	0.32
600	0.130	-	-	-	0.140	0.160	0.21	0.135	0.25	0.28	0.135	0.22	0.26	0.120	0.140	0.185	0.120	0.22	0.25	0.120	0.29	0.31
740	0.105	-	-	-	0.115	0.160	0.19	0.110	0.25	0.27	-	-	-	0.100	0.135	0.170	0.100	0.21	0.23	0.095	0.29	0.30
960	0.080	-	-	-	0.092	0.155	0.18	0.087	0.24	0.26	-	-	-	0.082	0.135	0.160	0.082	0.21	0.23	0.076	0.29	0.30
1200	0.064	-	-	-	0.079	0.155	0.17	0.073	0.24	0.25	-	-	-	0.070	0.135	0.150	0.070	0.21	0.22	0.063	0.28	0.29

NOTE: ¹ Spacings larger than those specified in Method 12 (see Figure E3705.1.1) will result in larger voltage drop.

TABLE E3705.1(20a)

ALLOWABLE AMPACITIES AT VARIOUS PHASES AND INSTALLATION CONDITIONS FOR
MULTI-CORE 90 °C THERMOSETTING INSULATED CABLES, NON-ARMOURED
 (ALUMINIUM CONDUCTORS)

Ambient temperature: 30 °C

CURRENT-CARRYING CAPACITY in amperes:

Conductor operating temperature: 90 °C

Conductor cross-sectional area	Reference Method 4 (enclosed in an insulated wall etc.)		Reference Method 3 (enclosed in conduit on a wall or ceiling, or in trunking)		Reference Method 1 (clipped direct)		Reference Method 11 (on a perforated cable tray) or Reference Method 13 (free air)	
	1 two-core cable, single-phase A.C. or D.C.	1 three- or four-core cable, three-phase A.C.	1 two-core cable, single-phase A.C. or D.C.	1 three- or four-core cable, three-phase A.C.	1 two-core cable, single-phase A.C. or D.C.	1 three- or four-core cable, three-phase A.C.	1 two-core cable, single-phase A.C. or D.C.	1 three- or four-core cable, three-phase A.C.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
(mm ²)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)
16	60	55	72	64	84	76	91	77
25	78	71	94	84	101	90	108	97
35	96	87	115	103	126	112	135	120
50	115	104	138	124	154	136	164	146
70	145	131	175	156	198	174	211	187
95	175	157	210	188	241	211	257	227
120	-	180	-	216	-	245	-	263
150	-	206	-	240	-	283	-	304
185	-	233	-	272	-	323	-	347
240	-	273	-	318	-	382	-	409
300	-	313	-	364	-	440	-	471

NOTES

1. These current-carrying capacity ratings apply where conductor is to be protected by a semi-enclosed fuse, such as an instantaneous magnetic trip circuit breaker, complying to BS 3036.
2. Where a conductor operates at a temperature exceeding 70 °C it shall be ascertained that the equipment connected to the conductor is suitable for the conductor operating temperature.
3. Where cables in this table are connected to equipment or accessories designed to operate at a temperature not exceeding 70 °C, the current ratings given in the equivalent table for 70 °C thermoplastic (PVC) insulated cables (Table M-E3705.1(15)(a)) shall be used.

TABLE E3705.1(20b)
MULTI-CORE 90 °C THERMOSETTING INSULATED CABLES, NON-ARMOURED
(ALUMINIUM CONDUCTORS)

VOLTAGE DROP (per ampere per metre):

Conductor operating temperature: 90 °C

Conductor cross-sectional area	Two-core cable, D.C.	Two-core cable, single-phase A.C.			Three- or four-core cable, three-phase A.C.		
1	2	3			4		
(mm ²)	(mVA/m)	(mV/A/m)			(mV/A/m)		
		r	x	z	r	x	z
16	4.8	4.8			4.2		
25	3.1	3.1	0.165	3.1	2.7	0.140	2.7
35	2.2	2.2	0.160	2.2	1.90	0.140	1.95
50	1.60	1.65	0.160	1.65	1.40	0.135	1.45
70	1.10	1.10	0.155	1.15	0.96	0.135	0.97
95	0.82	0.82	0.150	0.84	0.71	0.130	0.72
120	-	-	-	-	0.56	0.130	0.58
150	-	-	-	-	0.45	0.130	0.47
185	-	-	-	-	0.37	0.130	0.39
240	-	-	-	-	0.28	0.125	0.31
300	-	-	-	-	0.23	0.125	0.26

NOTES:

1. These current-carrying capacity ratings apply where conductor is to be protected by a semi-enclosed fuse, such as an instantaneous magnetic trip circuit breaker, complying to BS 3036.
2. Where a conductor operates at a temperature exceeding 70 °C it shall be ascertained that the equipment connected to the conductor is suitable for the conductor operating temperature.
3. Where cables in this table are connected to equipment or accessories designed to operate at a temperature not exceeding 70°C, the current ratings given in the equivalent table for 70 °C thermoplastic (PVC) insulated cables (Table E3705.1(17a) shall be used.

TABLE E3705.1(21a)

ALLOWABLE AMPACITIES AT VARIOUS PHASES AND INSTALLATION CONDITIONS FOR
SINGLE-CORE 90 °C ARMoured THERMOSETTING INSULATED CABLES (NON-MAGNETIC ARMOUR)
 (ALUMINIUM CONDUCTORS)

Ambient temperature: 30 °C

CURRENT-CARRYING CAPACITY (amperes):

Conductor operating temperature: 90 °C

Conductor cross-sectional area 1	Reference Method 1 (clipped direct)		Reference Method 11 (on a perforated cable tray)		Reference Method 12 (free air)						
	2 cables, single-phase A.C. or D.C., flat and touching 2	3 or 4 cables, three-phase A.C., flat and touching 3	2 cables, single-phase A.C. or D.C., flat and touching 4	3 or 4 cables, three-phase A.C.flat and touching 5	2 cables, single-phase A.C.		2 cables, D.C.		3 or 4 cables, three-phase A.C.		
					Horizontal flat spaced 6	Vertical flat spaced 7	Horizontal spaced 8	Vertical spaced 9	Horizontal flat spaced 10	Vertical flat spaced 11	3 cables trefoil 12
(mm ²)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)
50	179	165	192	176	212	199	216	197	215	192	162
70	228	209	244	222	269	254	275	253	270	244	207
95	276	252	294	267	328	310	332	307	324	296	252
120	320	291	340	308	378	358	384	357	372	343	292
150	368	333	390	352	429	409	441	411	424	394	337
185	419	378	444	400	490	467	511	480	477	447	391
240	494	443	521	468	576	549	605	572	554	523	465
300	568	508	597	536	654	624	701	666	626	595	540
380	655	573	688	608	735	704	812	780	693	649	625
480	747	642	786	685	825	790	942	906	765	717	714
600	836	706	880	757	909	872	1076	1036	832	780	801
740	934	764	988	824	989	950	1250	1205	890	835	897
960	1056	838	1121	911	1094	1052	1488	1435	970	911	1014
1200	1163	903	1236	990	1187	1141	1715	1658	1043	980	1118

TABLE E3705.1(21b)
SINGLE-CORE 90 °C ARMOURED THERMOSETTING INSULATED CABLES (NON-MAGNETIC ARMOUR)
(ALUMINIUM CONDUCTORS)

VOLTAGE DROP (per ampere per metre):

Conductor operating temperature: 90 °C

Conductor cross-sectional area 1	2 cables, D.C. 2	2 cables, single-phase A.C.						3 or 4 cables, three-phase A.C.								
		Reference Methods 1 & 11 (touching) 3			Reference Method 12 (spaced*) 4			Reference Methods 1, 11 & 12 (in trefoil touching) 5			Reference Methods 1 & 11 (flat and touching) 6			Reference Method 12 (flat spaced ¹) 7		
		(mV/A/m)			(mV/A/m)			(mV/A/m)			(mV/A/m)			(mV/A/m)		
(mm ²)	(mV/A/m)	r	x	z	r	x	Z	r	x	z	r	x	z	r	x	z
50	1.60	1.60	0.22	1.60	1.60	0.30	1.60	1.40	0.185	1.40	1.40	0.26	1.40	1.35	0.34	1.40
70	1.10	1.10	0.21	1.15	1.10	0.29	1.15	0.96	0.180	0.98	0.97	0.25	1.00	0.99	0.33	1.05
95	0.82	0.83	0.20	0.85	0.85	0.29	0.90	0.71	0.175	0.74	0.74	0.25	0.78	0.76	0.32	0.83
120	0.66	0.66	0.20	0.69	0.69	0.28	0.74	0.57	0.170	0.60	0.60	0.24	0.64	0.63	0.31	0.70
150	0.52	0.53	0.195	0.57	0.56	0.28	0.62	0.46	0.170	0.49	0.49	0.24	0.54	0.52	0.30	0.60
185	0.42	0.43	0.190	0.47	0.46	0.27	0.54	0.38	0.165	0.41	0.40	0.24	0.47	0.44	0.30	0.53
240	0.32	0.34	0.185	0.39	0.37	0.27	0.45	0.29	0.160	0.34	0.32	0.23	0.39	0.35	0.29	0.46
300	0.26	0.27	0.185	0.33	0.30	0.26	0.40	0.24	0.160	0.29	0.26	0.23	0.34	0.29	0.29	0.41
380	0.21	0.23	0.180	0.29	0.26	0.25	0.36	0.195	0.155	0.25	0.23	0.22	0.32	0.27	0.27	0.38
480	0.160	0.185	0.175	0.25	0.23	0.25	0.34	0.160	0.155	0.22	0.20	0.21	0.29	0.24	0.26	0.35
600	0.130	0.160	0.175	0.24	0.20	0.24	0.31	0.135	0.150	0.20	0.175	0.21	0.27	0.22	0.25	0.33
740	0.105	0.140	0.170	0.22	0.190	0.22	0.29	0.120	0.145	0.190	0.165	0.195	0.26	0.21	0.22	0.30
960	0.080	0.120	0.160	0.20	0.170	0.21	0.27	0.105	0.140	0.175	0.150	0.180	0.24	0.195	0.195	0.28
1200	0.064	0.105	0.160	0.190	0.155	0.20	0.25	0.093	0.135	0.165	0.140	0.175	0.22	0.180	0.185	0.26

NOTE: ¹ Spacings larger than those specified in Method 12 (see Figure M-E3705.1) will result in larger voltage drop.

TABLE E3705.1(22a)

ALLOWABLE AMPACITIES AT VARIOUS PHASES AND INSTALLATION CONDITIONS FOR
MULTI-CORE 90 °C ARMoured THERMOSETTING INSULATED CABLES
(ALUMINIUM CONDUCTORS)

Ambient temperature: 30 °C

CURRENT-CARRYING CAPACITY in amperes: Conductor operating temperature: 90 °C

Conductor cross-sectional area	Reference Method 1 (clipped direct)		Reference Method 11 (on a perforated cable tray) or Reference Method 13 (free air)	
	1 two-core cable, single-phase A.C. or D.C.	1 three- or four-core cable, three-phase A.C.	1 two-core cable, single-phase A.C. or D.C.	1 three- or four-core cable, three-phase A.C.
1	2	3	4	5
(mm ²)	(A)	(A)	(A)	(A)
16	82	71	85	74
25	108	92	112	98
35	132	113	138	120
50	159	137	166	145
70	201	174	211	185
95	242	214	254	224
120	-	249	-	264
150	-	284	-	305
185	-	328	-	350
240	-	386	-	418
300	-	441	-	488

NOTES

1. These current-carrying capacity ratings apply where conductor is to be protected by a semi-enclosed fuse, such as an instantaneous magnetic trip circuit breaker, complying to BS 3036.
2. Where a conductor operates at a temperature exceeding 70 °C it shall be ascertained that the equipment connected to the conductor is suitable for the conductor operating temperature.
3. Where cables in this table are connected to equipment or accessories designed to operate at a temperature not exceeding 70°C, the current ratings given in the equivalent table for 70 °C thermoplastic (PVC) insulated cables {Table M-E3705.1(17)(a)} shall be used.

TABLE E3705.1(22b)
MULTI-CORE 90 °C ARMoured THERMOSETTING INSULATED CABLES
 (ALUMINIUM CONDUCTORS)

Ambient Temperature 30 °C

VOLTAGE DROP (per ampere per metre):

Conductor operating temperature: 90 °C

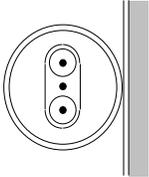
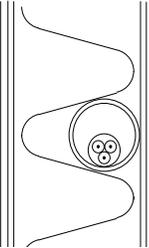
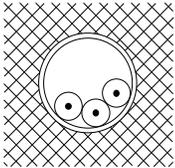
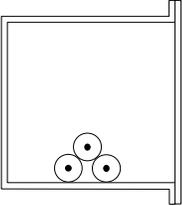
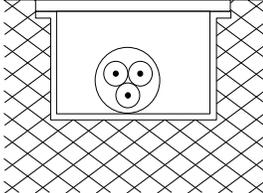
Conductor cross-sectional area 1	Two-core cable, D.C. 2	Two-core cable, single-phase A.C. 3			Three- or four-core cable, three-phase A.C. 4		
(mm ²)	(mV/A/m)	(mV/A/m)			(mV/A/m)		
		r	x	z	R	x	z
16	4.8						
25	3.1	3.1	0.165	3.1	2.7	0.140	2.7
35	2.2	2.2	0.160	2.2	1.90	0.140	1.95
50	1.60	1.65	0.160	1.65	1.40	0.135	1.45
70	1.10	1.10	0.155	1.15	0.96	0.135	0.97
95	0.82	0.82	0.150	0.84	0.71	0.130	0.72
120	-	-	-	-	0.56	0.130	0.58
150	-	-	-	-	0.45	0.130	0.47
185	-	-	-	-	0.37	0.130	0.39
240	-	-	-	-	0.28	0.125	0.31
300	-	-	-	-	0.23	0.125	0.26

by using the group rating factor corresponding to (N-M) cables.

**FIGURE E3705.1.1
SCHEDULE OF INSTALLATION METHODS OF CABLES (INCLUDING REFERENCE METHOD)**

Installation method		Examples	Appropriate Reference Method for determining current-carrying capacity
Number	Description		
1	2	3	4
Open and clipped direct:			
1	Sheathed cables clipped direct to or lying on a non-metallic surface		Method 1
Cables embedded direct in building materials:			
2	Sheathed cables embedded directly in masonry, brickwork, concrete, plaster or the like (other than thermally insulating materials)		Method 1
In conduit:			
3	Single-core non-sheathed cables in metallic or non-metallic conduit on a wall or ceiling		Method 3
	Single-core non-sheathed cables in metallic or non-metallic conduit in a thermally insulating wall or above a thermally insulating ceiling, the conduit being in contact with a thermally conductive surface on one side †		Method 4

FIGURE E3705.1.1 (continued)

Installation method		Examples	Appropriate Reference Method for determining current-carrying capacity
Number	Description		
1	2	3	4
5	Multi-core cables having non-metallic sheath, in metallic or non-metallic conduit on a wall or ceiling		Method 3
6	Sheathed cables in conduit in a thermally insulating wall etc. (otherwise as Reference Method 4)		Method 4 or Method 6 for cable type covered by Table M-E3705.1(5) (a).
7	Cables in conduit embedded in masonry, brickwork, concrete, plaster or the like (other than thermally insulating materials)		Method 3
In trunking:			
8	Cables in trunking on a wall or suspended in the air		Method 3
9	Cables in flush floor trunking		Method 3

Note:

† The wall is assumed to consist of cast-in-place concrete or concrete block plastered or rendered on both outer and inner surfaces having a coefficient of heat transfer not less than $2.5 \text{ W/m}^2 \text{ K}$. The conduit is fixed so as to be about 13 mm ($\frac{1}{2}$ inch) from the inner surface of the wall. Heat from the cables is assumed to escape through the inner wall surface only.

FIGURE E3705.1.1 (continued)

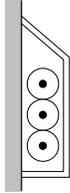
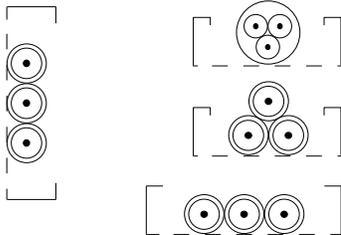
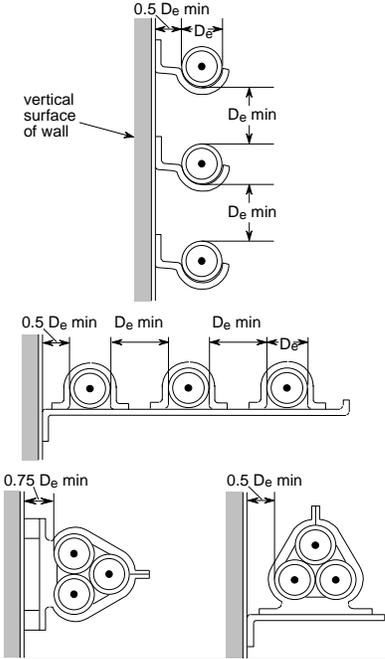
Installation method		Examples	Appropriate Reference Method for determining current-carrying capacity
Number	Description		
1	2	3	4
10	Single-core cables in skirting trunking		Method 3
On trays:			
11	Sheathed cables on a perforated cable tray, bunched and unenclosed. A perforated cable tray is a ventilated tray in which the holes occupy 30 % or more of the surface area		Method 11
In free air, on cleats, brackets or a ladder:			
12	Sheathed single-core cables in free air (any supporting metalwork under the cables occupying less than 10 % of the plan area): Two or three cables vertically one above the other, minimum distance between cable surfaces equal to the overall cable diameter (D_e); distance from the wall not less than $0.5 D_e$ Two or three cables horizontally, with spacings as above	 <p>vertical surface of wall</p> <p>$0.5 D_e \text{ min}$</p> <p>$D_e \text{ min}$</p> <p>$D_e \text{ min}$</p> <p>$0.5 D_e \text{ min}$</p> <p>$D_e \text{ min}$</p> <p>$D_e \text{ min}$</p> <p>$0.75 D_e \text{ min}$</p> <p>$0.5 D_e \text{ min}$</p>	Method 12

FIGURE E3705.1.1 (continued)

Installation method		Examples	Appropriate Reference Method for determining current-carrying capacity
Number	Description		
1	2	3	4
13	<p>Sheathed multi-core cables on ladder or brackets, separation greater than $2 D_e$</p> <p>Sheathed multi-core cables in free air distance between wall and cable surface not less than $0.3 D_e$</p> <p>Any supporting metalwork under the cables occupying less than 10 % of the plan area</p>		Method 13
14	Cables suspended from or incorporating a catenary wire		Method 12 or 13, as appropriate
Cables in building voids:			
15	Sheathed cables installed directly in a thermally insulating wall or above a thermally insulating ceiling, the cable being in contact with a thermally conductive surface on one side (otherwise as Reference Method 4)		Method 4 or Method 15 for cable type covered by Table M-E3705.1(7)(a).

FIGURE E3705.1.1 (continued)

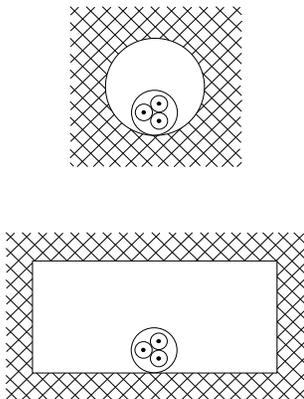
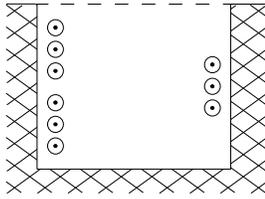
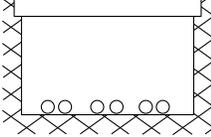
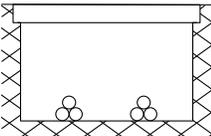
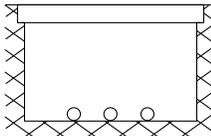
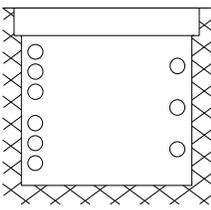
Installation method		Examples	Appropriate Reference Method for determining current-carrying capacity
Number	Description		
1	2	3	4
16	Sheathed cables in ducts or voids formed by the building structure, other than thermally insulating materials		<p>Method 4 Where the cable has a diameter D_e and the duct has a diameter not greater than $5 D_e$ or a perimeter not greater than $20 D_e$</p> <p>Method 3 Where the duct has either a diameter greater than $5 D_e$ or a perimeter greater than $20 D_e$.</p> <p>NOTE 1. Where the perimeter is greater than $60 D_e$, installation Methods 18 to 20, as appropriate, should be used.</p> <p>NOTE 2. D_e is the overall cable diameter. For groups of cables D_e is the sum of the cable diameters.</p>
Cables in trenches:			
17	Cables supported on the wall of an open or ventilated trench, with spacings as indicated for Reference Method 12 or 13 as appropriate		Method 12 or 13, as appropriate

FIGURE E3705.1.1 (continued)

Installation method		Examples	Appropriate Reference Method for determining current-carrying capacity
Number	Description		
1	2	3	4
18	Cables in enclosed trench 450 mm wide by 300 mm deep (minimum dimensions) including 100 mm cover	<p>Two to six single-core cables with surfaces separated by a minimum of one cable diameter.</p>  <p>One or two groups of three single-core cables in trefoil formation.</p>  <p>One to four 2-core cables or one to three 3 or 4 core cables with all cables separated by a minimum of 50 mm</p> 	Method 18 Use rating factors in Table M-E3705.3(3)
19	Cables in enclosed trench 450 mm wide by 600 mm deep (minimum dimensions) including 100 mm cover	<p>Six to twelve single-core cables arranged in flat groups of two or three on the vertical trench wall with cables separated by one cable diameter and a minimum of 50 mm between groups</p> 	Method 19 Use rating factors in Table M-E3705.3(3)

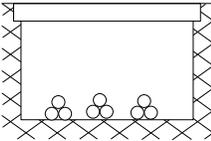
		<p>or</p> <p>two to four groups of three single-core cables in trefoil formation with a minimum of 50 mm between trefoil formations</p>	 A schematic diagram showing a rectangular frame with a zigzag border. Inside the frame, three circles representing single-core cables are arranged in a triangular (trefoil) pattern. The circles are positioned at the bottom of the frame, with one circle centered and two circles flanking it.
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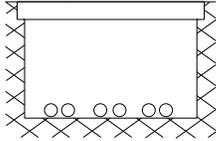
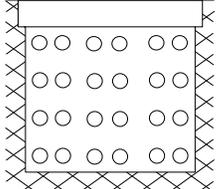
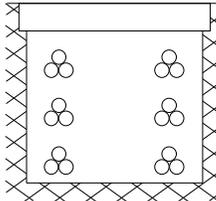
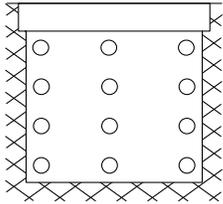
Installation method		Examples	Appropriate Reference Method for determining current-carrying capacity
Number	Description		
1	2	3	4
19 Cont'd	Cables in enclosed trench 450 mm wide by 600 mm deep (minimum dimensions) including 100 mm cover	<p>or</p> <p>four to eight cables of 2-core or three to six cables of 3 or 4 cores with cables separated by a minimum of 75 mm.</p> <p>All cables spaced at least 25 mm from the trench wall.</p> 	<p>Method 20</p> <p>Use rating factors in Table M-E3705.3(3)</p>
20	Cables in enclosed trench 600 mm wide by 760 mm deep (minimum dimensions) including 100 mm cover	<p>Twelve to twenty-four single-core cables arranged in either</p> <p>flat formation of two or three cables in a group with cables separated by one cable diameter and each cable group separated by a minimum of 50 mm either horizontally or vertically</p>  <p>or</p> <p>single-core cables in trefoil formation with each group or trefoil formation separated by a minimum of 50 mm either horizontally or vertically.</p> 	

FIGURE M-E3705.1.1 (continued)

Installation method		Examples	Appropriate Reference Method for determining current-carrying capacity
Number	Description		
1	2	3	4
20 Cont'd	Cables in enclosed trench 600 mm wide by 760 mm deep (minimum dimensions) including 100 mm cover	<p>or</p> <p>eight to sixteen 2-core cables or six to twelve cables of 3 or 4 cores with cables separated by a minimum of 75 mm either horizontally or vertically.</p>  <p>All cables spaced at least 25 mm from trench wall.</p>	

Note:

* Larger spacing to be used where practicable.

Such as grouped, separated, etc), the ambient temperature surrounding the conductors and the proximity of different circuit conductors to each other. Figure E3705.1.1 above shows the popular methods for conductor installation and accords each a Reference Method Number which shall be embraced, and its layout requirements faithfully implemented to ensure that the integrity of the conductor ampacity is unquestionable.

E3705.1.2 Conductor voltage drop and its impact on conductor size. Each conductor ampacity table is followed by its table of voltage drop factors, F, in per ampere per metre as shown in Tables E3705.1(2b) to E3705.1(22b). The voltage drop, V_{drop} , over the conductor circuit length, L, of a conductor shall be calculated using the rated current, A, for the circuit protection breaker from the following equation:

$$V_{drop} = F \times L \times A \text{ where } V_{drop} \text{ is in Volts (V)}$$

F is in mV per Ampere per metre
L is in metres (m)
A is in Amperes

For buildings without a transformer beyond the connection point of the utility servicewire and the service entrance conductor(s) the voltage drop over the length of the service entrance conductor shall not exceed 2½% of the nominal supply voltage of 220 V or 110 Volts. The voltage drop between the main panel-board and the farthest point on the longest branch circuit shall not exceed 2½ % of the nominal supply voltage of 220 V or 110 Volts. Alternatively, the voltage drop between the utility service and service entrance conductors connection point and the farthest point on the longest branch circuit shall not exceed 5% of the nominal supply voltage of 220 V or 110 Volts. Where the maximum voltage drop is exceeded, it shall result in increased size conductors and recalculation of the voltage drop until it falls within the 5% limit.

E3705.2 Correction factor for ambient temperatures.

For ambient temperatures other than 30°C (86°F), multiply the allowable ampacities specified in Table E3705.1 by the appropriate correction factor shown in Table E3705.2 for AWG conductors. For Metric conductors multiply the allowable ampacities specified in Tables E3705.1(1a) to E3705.1(22a) by the appropriate correction factor from Tables E3705.2(1) or E3705.2(2) or E3705.2(3).

To ensure that the correct metric conductor ampacity is selected, the table on the exact conductor type and its column on the intended installation method (Reference Method) shall be used. To ensure that the right correction factor is selected from Tables E3705.2(1), E3705.2(2) and E3705.2(3) the following rules shall be followed:

2. Temperature correction factors for 60°C and 85°C thermosetting (rubber) insulation and flexible cables (or cords) shall be taken from Table E3705.2(1) {column 2 & 4 for rubber and 3 & 5 for flexible cables} and multiplied by the applicable current-carrying capacity from Table E3705.1(11a) or E3705.1(12a).
3. Table E3705.2(2) below shall apply to all cables listed in column 1 when the associated over-current protective device is intended to provide short circuit protection only. Except where the device is a semi enclosed fuse to BS 3036 this table shall also apply where the protective device is intended to provide overload protection.
4. Table E3705.2(3) shall also apply to all the cables listed in column 1 when determining the current- carrying capacity of a conductor at an

ambient temperature where the overload protective device is a semi enclosed fuse to BS3036.

4. ¹ The factors of Table E3705.2(3) are applicable only to ratings in columns 2 to 5 of Table E3705.1(2a) [310.15(B)(2)]

**TABLE E3705.2 [Table 310.15(B)(2)(a)]
 AMBIENT TEMPERATURE CORRECTION FACTORS FOR AWG CONDUCTORS**

For ambient temperatures other than 30°C (86°F), multiply the allowable ampacities specified in the ampacity tables by the appropriate correction factor shown below.				
Ambient Temperature (°C)	Temperature Rating of Conductor			Ambient Temperature (°F)
	60°C	75°C	90°C	
10 or less	1.29	1.20	1.15	50 or less
11-15	1.22	1.15	1.12	51-59
16-20	1.15	1.11	1.08	60-68
21-25	1.08	1.05	1.04	69-77
26-30	1.00	1.00	1.00	78-86
31-35	0.91	0.94	0.96	87-95
36-40	0.82	0.88	0.91	96-104
41-45	0.71	0.82	0.87	105-113
46-50	0.58	0.75	0.82	114-122
51-55	0.41	0.67	0.76	123-131
56-60	—	0.58	0.71	132-140
61-65	—	0.47	0.65	141-149
66-70	—	0.33	0.58	150-158
71-75	—	—	0.50	159-167
76-80	—	—	0.41	168-176
81-85	—	—	0.29	177-185

For Inch Pound Units 1 °F = 1.8 °C + 32.

TABLE 3705.2(1) CORRECTION FACTORS FOR AMBIENT TEMPERATURE WHERE PROTECTION IS AGAINST SHORT-CIRCUIT

AMBIENT TEMP. °C	FOR AMBIENT TEMPERATURES OTHER THAN 30°C (86°F), MULTIPLY THE ALLOWABLE AMPACITIES SPECIFIED IN TABLE E3705.1(1a), E3705.1(2a), E3705.1(11a) E3705.1(12a) BY THE APPROPRIATE FACTOR SHOWN BELOW								AMBIENT TEMP. °F
	60°C	70°C	85°C	90°C	105°C	60°C	70°C	90°C	
	Types Thermosetting (rubber) insulation	Types Thermoplastic (PVC) and Thermosetting insulation	Types Thermosetting (rubber) insulation	Types Thermoplastic (PVC) and Thermosetting insulation	Types Mineral insulation (Light / heavy duty)	Types	Types Thermoplastic , Thermosetting insulation	Types Thermosetting insulation	
	Copper					Aluminium or copper-clad aluminium			
21-25	1.04	1.03	1.02	1.02	1.02		1.03	1.02	70-77
26-30	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00		1.00	1.00	78-86
31-35	0.91	0.94	0.95	0.96	0.96		0.94	0.96	87-95
36-40	0.82	0.87	0.90	0.91	0.92		0.87	0.91	96-104
41-45	0.71	0.79	0.85	0.87	0.88		0.79	0.87	105-113
46-50	0.58	0.71	0.80	0.82	0.84		0.71	0.82	114-122
51-55	0.41	0.61	0.74	0.76	0.80		0.61	0.76	123-131
56-60	-	0.50	0.67	0.71	0.75		0.50	0.71	132-140
61-70	-	0.35	0.60	0.65	0.70		0.35	0.65	141-158
71-80	-	-	0.52	0.58	0.65		-	0.58	159-176

TABLE E3705.2(2)
CORRECTION FACTORS FOR AMBIENT TEMPERATURE WHERE THE OVERLOAD PROTECTIVE DEVICE IS
A SEMI-ENCLOSED FUSE TO BS 3036

Type of insulation	Operating temperature	Ambient temperature (°C)														
		25	30	35	40	45	50	55	60	65	70	75	80	85	90	95
Thermosetting (rubber) (flexible cables only)	60 °C	1.04	1.0	0.91	0.82	0.71	0.58	0.41	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Thermo plastic (General purpose pvc)	70 °C	1.03	1.0	0.94	0.87	0.79	0.71	0.61	0.50	0.35	-	-	-	-	-	-
Paper	80 °C	1.02	1.0	0.95	0.89	0.84	0.77	0.71	0.63	0.55	0.45	0.32	-	-	-	-
Thermosetting (rubber)	85 °C	1.02	1.0	0.95	0.90	0.85	0.80	0.74	0.67	0.60	0.52	0.43	0.30	-	-	-
Thermoplastic (high temperature pvc) 1	90 °C	1.03	1.0	0.97	0.94	0.91	0.87	0.84	0.80	0.76	0.71	0.61	0.50	0.35	-	-
Thermosetting	0 °C	1.02	1.0	0.96	.91	0.87	0.82	0.76	0.71	0.65	0.58	0.50	0.41	0.29	-	-
Mineral	70 °C sheath	1.03	1.0	0.93	0.85	0.77	0.67	0.57	0.45	0.31	-	-	-	-	-	-
	105 °C sheath	1.02	1.0	0.96	0.92	0.88	0.84	0.80	0.75	0.70	0.65	0.60	0.54	0.47	0.40	0.32

TABLE E3705.2(3)
METRIC CONDUCTORS CORRECTION FACTORS FOR AMBIENT TEMPERATURE WHERE THE OVERLOAD
PROTECTIVE DEVICE IS A SEMI-ENCLOSED FUSE TO BS 3036.

Type of insulation	Operating temperature	Ambient temperature (°C)														
		25	30	35	40	45	50	55	60	65	70	75	80	85	90	95
Thermosetting (rubber) (flexible cables only)	60 °C	1.04	1.0	0.96	0.91	0.87	0.79	0.56	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Thermoplastic (General purpose pvc)	70 °C	1.03	1.0	0.97	0.94	0.91	0.87	0.84	0.69	0.48	-	-	-	-	-	-
Paper	80 °C	1.02	1.0	0.97	0.95	0.92	0.90	0.87	0.84	0.76	0.62	0.43	-	-	-	-
Thermosetting (rubber)	85 °C	1.02	1.0	0.97	0.95	0.93	0.91	0.88	0.86	0.83	0.71	0.58	0.41	-	-	-
Thermoplastic (high temperature plc.) ¹	90 °C	1.03	1.0	0.97	0.94	0.91	0.87	0.84	0.80	0.76	0.72	0.68	0.63	0.49	-	-
Thermosetting	90 °C	1.02	1.0	0.98	0.95	0.93	0.91	0.89	0.87	0.85	0.79	0.69	0.56	0.39	-	-
Mineral: bare and exposed to touch or pvc covered	70 °C sheath	1.03	1.0	0.96	0.93	0.89	0.86	0.79	0.62	0.42	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mineral: bare and not exposed to touch	105 °C sheath	1.02	1.0	0.98	0.96	0.93	0.91	0.89	0.86	0.84	0.82	0.79	0.77	0.64	0.55	0.43

E3705.3 Adjustment factor for conductor proximity. Where the number of AWG or Metric current-carrying conductors in a raceway or cable exceeds three, or where single conductors or multiconductor cables are stacked or bundled for distances greater than 610 mm (24 inches) without maintaining spacing and are not installed in raceways, the allowable ampacity of each conductor shall be reduced as shown in Table E3705.3 for AWG conductors and E3705.3(1), E3705.3(2) as well as E3705.3(3) for metric conductors. [310.15(B)(3)]

Exceptions:

1. Adjustment factors shall not apply to conductors in raceways having a length not exceeding 610 mm (24 inches). [310.15(B)(3)(2)]
2. Adjustment factors shall not apply to underground conductors entering or leaving an outdoor trench if those conductors have physical protection in the form of rigid metal conduit, intermediate metal conduit, or rigid nonmetallic conduit having a length not exceeding 3,050 mm (10 feet) and the number of conductors does not exceed four.[310.15(B)(3)(3)]
3. Adjustment factors shall not apply to AWG type AC cable or to AWG type MC cable without an overall outer jacket meeting all of the following conditions:
 - 3.1 Each cable has not more than three current-carrying conductors.
 - 3.2 The conductors are 12 AWG or 2.5 mm² metric copper.
 - 3.3. Not more than 20 current-carrying conductors are bundled, stacked or supported on bridle rings. [310.15(B)(3)(4)].
4. An adjustment factor of 60 percent shall be applied to AWG Type AC cable and AWG Type MC cable where all of the following conditions apply:
 - 4.1. The cables do not have an overall outer jacket.
 - 4.2. The number of current-carrying conductors exceeds 20.
 - 4.3. The cables are stacked or bundled longer than 610 mm (24 inches) without spacing being maintained [310.15(B)(3)(4) Exception].

**TABLE E3705.3 [Table 310.15(B)(3)(a)]
AWG CONDUCTOR PROXIMITY ADJUSTMENT FACTORS**

NUMBER OF CURRENT-CARRYING CONDUCTORS IN CABLE OR RACEWAY	PERCENT OF VALUES IN TABLE E3705.1
4-6	80
7-9	70
10-20	50
21-30	45
31-40	40
41 and above	35

For metric conductors the rules for using the correction factors tabulated in Tables E3705.3(1), E3705.3(2) and E3705.3(3) are as follows:

- a. The factors in all three tables shall be applicable to groups of conductors all of the same size. The value of the current-carrying capacity derived from application of the appropriate factors shall be the maximum current to be carried by any of the conductors in the group.
 - b. If, due to known operating conditions, a conductor in Table E3705.3(1) or Table E3705.3(2) or Table E3705.3(3) is expected to carry not more than 30 % of its *grouped* rating, it may be ignored for the purpose of obtaining the rating factor for the rest of the group. For example, a group of N loaded conductors would normally require a group reduction factor of C_g applied to the tabulated total current, I_t . However, if M conductors in the group carry loads which are not greater than $0.3 \times C_g \times I_t$ amperes the other conductors can be sized by using the group rating factor corresponding to (N-M) conductors.
- c. When conductors in Table E3705.3(1) or Table E3705.3(2) or Table E3705.3(3) have conductors of differing operating temperatures grouped together, the current rating shall be based on the lowest operating temperature of the cable in the group.
- d. Where the horizontal clearance between adjacent conductors in Tables E3705.3(1) and E3705.3(2) exceeds twice the cable diameter ($2De$), no on factor shall be applied.
- e. The correction factors of Table E3705.3(3) relate to the disposition of conductors illustrated in items 18 to 20 of Figure E3705.1.1 and are applicable to the current carrying capacities for Reference Methods 12 or 13 of the relevant metric conductor allowable ampacity tables of Section E3705.1.
- f. When the number of conductors used differs from those stated in Table E3705.3(3), the derating factor for the next higher stated number of conductors shall be used.

TABLE E3705.3(1)
CORRECTION FACTORS FOR CONDUCTOR PROXIMITY OF GROUPS OF MORE THAN ONE
CIRCUIT OF SINGLE-CORE CABLES, OR MORE THAN ONE MULTI-CORE CABLE (TO BE APPLIED
TO THE CORRESPONDING CURRENT-CARRYING CAPACITY FOR A SINGLE CIRCUIT IN TABLES
E3705.1(1a) TO E3705.1(4a), E3705.1(6a) TO E3705.1(9a), E3705.1(10a), E3705.1(11a),
E3705.1(12a) [Excluding method 11 for mineral insulated cables], E3705.1(14a) TO E3705.1(17a)
AND E3705.1(18a) TO E3705.1(21a)**

Reference method of installation (see Figure E3705.1.1)		Correction factor (C_g)													
		Number of circuits or multi-core cables													
		2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	12	14	16	18	20
Enclosed (Method 3 or 4) or bunched and clipped directly to a non-metallic surface (Reference Method 1)		0.80	0.70	0.65	0.60	0.57	0.54	0.52	0.50	0.48	0.45	0.43	0.41	0.39	0.38
Single layer clipped to a non-metallic surface (Reference Method 1)	Touching	0.85	0.79	0.75	0.73	0.72	0.72	0.71	0.70	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Spaced*	0.94	0.90	0.90	0.90	0.90	0.90	0.90	0.90	0.90	0.90	0.90	0.90	0.90	0.90
Single layer multi-core on a perforated metal cable tray, Vertical or horizontal (Reference Method 11)	Touching	0.86	0.81	0.77	0.75	0.74	0.73	0.73	0.72	0.71	0.70	-	-	-	-
	Spaced*#	0.91	0.89	0.88	0.87	0.87	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Single layer <i>single-core</i> on a perforated metal Cable tray, touching (Reference Method 11)	Horizontal	0.90	0.85	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Vertical	0.85	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Single layer multi-core touching on ladder supports (Reference Method 13)		0.86	0.82	0.80	0.79	0.78	0.78	0.78	0.77	-	-	-	-	-	-

NOTES

- Spaced by a clearance between adjacent surfaces of at least one cable diameter (D_e). Where the horizontal clearance between adjacent cables exceeds $2 D_e$ no correction factor need be applied.
- Correction factor not tabulated.
- # Not applicable to mineral insulated cables, see Table M-E3705.3(2).

TABLE M-3705.3(2)
CORRECTION FACTORS FOR CONDUCTOR PROXIMITY OF MINERAL INSULATED CABLES INSTALLED ON PERFORATED TRAY, (TO BE
APPLIED TO THE CORRESPONDING CURRENT-CARRYING CAPACITY FOR SINGLE
CIRCUITS FOR REFERENCE METHOD 11 IN TABLE E3705.1(12)(a)

Tray Orientation	Arrangement of cables	Number of trays	Number of multi-core cables or circuits					
			1	2	3	4	6	9
Horizontal	Multi-conductor cables touching	1	1.0	0.90	0.80	0.80	0.75	0.75
Horizontal	Multi-conductor cables spaced ‡	1	1.0	1.0	1.0	0.95	0.90	-
Vertical	Multi-conductor cables touching	1	1.0	0.90	0.80	0.75	0.75	0.70
Vertical	Multi-conductor cables spaced ‡	1	1.0	0.90	0.90	0.90	0.85	-
Horizontal	Single conductor cables trefoil separated ††	1	1.0	1.0	0.95			
Vertical	Single conductor cables trefoil separated ††	1	1.0	0.90	0.90			

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- ‡ Spaced by a clearance between adjacent surfaces of at least one cable diameter (D_e).

- ‡ Separated by a clearance between adjacent surfaces of at least two cable diameters ($2 D_e$).
- Correction factor not tabulated.

TABLE E3705.3.(3)
CONDUCTOR PROXIMITY CORRECTION FACTORS FOR METRIC CABLES INSTALLED IN LOSED TRENCHES
(Installation Methods 18, 19 and 20 of Figure E3705.1.1)*

Conductor cross-sectional area	Correction factor									
	Installation Method 18				Installation Method 19			Installation Method 20		
	2 single-core cables, or 1 three- or four-core cable	3 single-core cables, or 2 two-core cables	4 single-core cables, or 2 three- or four-core cables	6 single-core cables, 4 two-core cables, or 3 three- or four-core cables	6 single-core cables, 4 two-core cables, or 3 three- or four-core cables	8 single-core cables, or 4 three- or four-core cables	12 single-core cables, 8 two-core cables, or 6 three- or four-core cables	12 single-core cables, 8 two-core cables, or 6 three- or four-core cables	18 single-core cables, 12 two-core cables, or 9 three- or four-core cables	24 single-core cables, 16 two-core cables, or 12 three- or four-core cables
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
(mm ²)										
4	0.93	0.90	0.87	0.82	0.86	0.83	0.76	0.81	0.74	0.69
6	0.92	0.89	0.86	0.81	0.86	0.82	0.75	0.80	0.73	0.68
10	0.91	0.88	0.85	0.80	0.85	0.80	0.74	0.78	0.72	0.66
16	0.91	0.87	0.84	0.78	0.83	0.78	0.71	0.76	0.70	0.64
25	0.90	0.86	0.82	0.76	0.81	0.76	0.69	0.74	0.67	0.62
35	0.89	0.85	0.81	0.75	0.80	0.74	0.68	0.72	0.66	0.60
50	0.88	0.84	0.79	0.74	0.78	0.73	0.66	0.71	0.64	0.59
70	0.87	0.82	0.78	0.72	0.77	0.72	0.64	0.70	0.62	0.57
95	0.86	0.81	0.76	0.70	0.75	0.70	0.63	0.68	0.60	0.55
120	0.85	0.80	0.75	0.69	0.73	0.68	0.61	0.66	0.58	0.53
150	0.84	0.78	0.74	0.67	0.72	0.67	0.59	0.64	0.57	0.51
185	0.83	0.77	0.73	0.65	0.70	0.65	0.58	0.63	0.55	0.49
240	0.82	0.76	0.71	0.63	0.69	0.63	0.56	0.61	0.53	0.48
300	0.81	0.74	0.69	0.62	0.68	0.62	0.54	0.59	0.52	0.46
400	0.80	0.73	0.67	0.59	0.66	0.60	0.52	0.57	0.50	0.44
500	0.78	0.72	0.66	0.58	0.64	0.58	0.51	0.56	0.48	0.43
630	0.77	0.71	0.65	0.56	0.63	0.57	0.49	0.54	0.47	0.41

NOTES

* When cables having different conductor operating temperatures are grouped together the current rating shall be based on the lowest operating temperature of any cable in the group.

E3705.4 Temperature limitations. The temperature rating associated with the ampacity of an AWG or metric conductor shall be so selected and coordinated to not exceed the lowest temperature rating of any connected termination, conductor or device. Conductors with temperature ratings higher than specified for terminations shall be permitted to be used for ampacity adjustment, correction, or both.

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temperature rating of any connected termination, conductor or device. Conductors with temperature ratings higher than specified for terminations shall be permitted to be used for ampacity adjustment, correction, or both.

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equipment termination provisions shall be based on Table E3705.1 for AWG conductors or Tables E3705.1(1a) to E3705.1(22a) for metric conductors. [110.14(C)]

E3705.4.1 Conductors rated 60°C. Except where the equipment is marked otherwise, termination provisions of equipment for circuits rated 100 amperes or less, or marked for 14 AWG through 1 AWG or 1.5 mm² through 35 mm² metric conductors, shall be used only for one of the following:

1. Conductors rated 60°C (140°F);
2. Conductors with higher temperature ratings, provided that the ampacity of such conductors is determined based on the 60°C (140 °F) ampacity of the conductor size used;

E3705.4.4 Conductors of Type NM cable.

3. Conductors with higher temperature ratings where the equipment is listed and identified for use with such conductors; or
4. For motors marked with design letters B, C, or D conductors having an insulation rating of 75°C (167°F) or higher shall be permitted to be used provided that the ampacity of such conductors does not exceed the 75°C (167°F) ampacity. [110.14(C)(1)(a)].

E3705.4.2 Conductors rated 75°C. Termination provisions of equipment for circuits rated over 100 amperes, or marked for conductors larger than 1 AWG or 35 mm² metric, shall be used only for:

1. Conductors rated 70° C (158° F) and 75°C (167°F).
2. Conductors with higher temperature ratings provided that the ampacity of such conductors does not exceed the 75°C (167°F) ampacity of the conductor size used, or provided that the equipment is listed and identified for use with such conductors. [110.14(C)(1)(b)]

E3705.4.3 Separately installed pressure connectors. Separately installed pressure connectors shall be used with conductors at the ampacities not exceeding the ampacity at the listed and identified temperature rating of the connector. [110.14(C)(2)]

the entire load associated with a one-family dwelling or the entire load associated with an individual dwelling unit in a two-family dwelling shall be in accordance with this chapter.

Branch-circuit conductors and equipment shall be protected by overcurrent protective devices having a rating or setting not exceeding the allowable ampacity specified in Table E3705.1 and Sections E3705.2, E3705.3 and E3705.4 except where otherwise permitted or required in Sections E3705.5.1 through E3705.5.3. [240.4, 240.21, and

Conductors in NM cable assemblies shall be rated at 90°C (194°F). Types NM, NMC, and NMS cable identified by the markings NM- B, NMC-B, and NMS-B meet this requirement. The allowable ampacity of Types NM, NMC, and NMS cable shall not exceed that of 60°C (140°F) rated conductors and shall comply with Section E3705.1 and Table E3705.5.3. The 90°C (194°F) rating shall be permitted to be used for ampacity adjustment and calculations provided that the final corrected or adjusted ampacity does not exceed that for a 60°C (140°F) rated conductor. Where more than two NM cables containing two or more current-carrying conductors are installed, without maintaining spacing between the cables, through the same opening in wood framing that is to be sealed with thermal insulation, caulk or sealing foam, the allowable ampacity of each AWG or metric

r metric conductor shall be adjusted in accordance with Table E3705.3 for AWG conductors and Tables E3705.3(1) to E3705.3(3) for metric conductors. Where more than two NM cables containing two or more current-carrying conductors are installed in contact with thermal insulation without maintaining spacing between cables, the allowable ampacity of each conductor shall be adjusted in accordance with Table E3705.3. (334.80 and 334.112)

E3705.4.5 Conductors of Type SE cable. Where used as a branch circuit or feeder wiring method within the interior of a building and installed in thermal insulation, the ampacity of the conductors in Type SE cable assemblies with ungrounded conductor sizes 10 AWG or 4 mm² metric and smaller shall be in accordance with the 60°C (140°F) conductor temperature rating. The maximum conductor temperature rating shall be permitted to be used for ampacity adjustment and correction purposes, provided that the final derated ampacity does not exceed that for a 60°C (140°F) rated conductor. [338.10(B)(4)(a)]

E3705.5 Overcurrent protection required. All ungrounded branch-circuit and feeder conductors shall be protected against overcurrent by an overcurrent device installed at the point where the conductors receive their supply. Overcurrent devices shall not be connected in series with a grounded conductor. Overcurrent protection and allowable loads for branch circuits and for feeders that do not supply

310.15(B)(7)(2)]

E3705.5.1 Cords. Cords shall be protected in accordance with Section E3909.2. [240.5(B)]

E3705.5.2 Overcurrent devices of the next higher rating. The next higher standard overcurrent device rating, above the ampacity of the conductors being protected, shall be permitted to be used, provided that all of the following conditions are met:

- a. The conductors being protected are not part of a branch circuit supplying more than one receptacle for cord- and plug-connected portable loads.
- b. The ampacity of conductors does not correspond with the standard ampere rating of a fuse or a circuit breaker without overload trip adjustments above its rating (but that shall be permitted to have other trip or rating adjustments).
- c. The next higher standard device rating does not exceed 400 amperes. [240.4(B)]

E3705.5.3 Small conductors. Except as specifically permitted by Section E3705.5.4, the rating of overcurrent protection devices shall not exceed the ratings shown in Table E3705.5.3 for the conductors specified therein. [240.4(D)]

**TABLE E3705.5.3 [240.4(D)]
OVERCURRENT-PROTECTION RATING**

COPPER		ALUMINUM OR COPPER-CLAD ALUMINUM	
Size (AWG)	Maximum overcurrent-protection-device rating ^a (amps)	Size (AWG)	Maximum overcurrent-protection-device rating ^a (amps)
14	15	12	15
12	20	10	25
10	30	8	30

COPPER		ALUMINUM OR COPPER-CLAD ALUMINUM	
Size (Metric)	Maximum overcurrent-protection-device rating ^a (amps)	Size (Metric)	Maximum overcurrent-protection-device rating ^a (amps)
1.5 mm ²	15	2.5 mm ²	15
2.5 mm ²	20	4 mm ²	25
4 mm ²	30	6 mm ²	30

1. The maximum overcurrent-protection-device rating shall not exceed the conductor allowable ampacity determined by the application of the correction and adjustment factors in accordance with Sections E3705.2 and E3705.3.

E3705.5.4 Air-conditioning and heat pump equipment. Air-conditioning and heat pump equipment circuit conductors shall be permitted to be protected against overcurrent in accordance with Section E3702.11. [240.4(G)]

E3705.6 Fuses and fixed trip circuit breakers. The standard ampere ratings for fuses and inverse time circuit breakers shall be considered to be 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, 60, 70, 80, 90, 100, 110, 125, 150, 175, 200, 225, 250, 300, 350 and 400 amperes. (240.6)

E3705.7 Location of overcurrent devices in or on premises. Circuit breakers and switches containing fuses shall:

1. Be readily accessible. [240.24(A)]
2. Not be located where they will be exposed to physical damage. [240.24(C)]
3. Not be located where they will be in the vicinity of easily ignitable material such as in clothes closets. [240.24(D)]
4. Not be located in bathrooms. [240.24(E)]

5. Not be located over steps of a stairway.
6. Be installed so that the center of the grip of the operating handle of the switch or circuit breaker, when in its highest position, is not more than 2,010 mm (6 feet 7 inches) above the floor or working platform. [240.24(A)]

Exceptions:

- i. This section shall not apply to supplementary overcurrent protection that is integral to utilization equipment. [240.24(A)(2)]
- ii. Overcurrent devices installed adjacent to the utilization equipment that they supply shall be permitted to be accessible by portable means. [240.24(A)(4)]

E3705.8 Ready access for occupants. Each occupant shall have ready access to all overcurrent devices protecting the conductors supplying that occupancy. [240.24(B)]

E3705.9 Enclosures for overcurrent devices. Overcurrent devices shall be enclosed in cabinets, cutout boxes, or equipment assemblies. The operating handle of a circuit breaker shall be permitted to be accessible without opening a door or cover. [240.30(A) and (B)]

SECTION E3706 PANELBOARDS

E3706.1 Panelboard rating. All panelboards shall have a rating not less than that of the minimum service or feeder capacity required for the calculated load. (408.30)

E3706.2 Panelboard circuit identification. All circuits and circuit modifications shall be legibly identified as to their clear, evident, and specific purpose or use. The identification shall include an approved degree of detail that allows each circuit to be distinguished from all others. Spare positions that contain unused overcurrent devices or switches shall be described accordingly. The identification shall be included in a circuit directory located on the face of the panelboard enclosure or inside the panel door. Circuits shall not be described in a manner that depends on transient conditions of occupancy. [408.4(A)]

E3706.3 Panelboard overcurrent protection. In addition to the requirement of Section E3706.1, a panelboard shall be protected by an overcurrent protective device having a rating not greater than that of the panelboard. Such overcurrent protective device shall be located within or at any point on the supply side of the panelboard. (408.36)

E3706.4 Grounded conductor terminations. Each grounded conductor shall terminate within the panelboard on an individual terminal that is not also used for another conductor, except that grounded conductors of circuits with parallel conductors shall be permitted to terminate on a single terminal where the terminal is identified for connection of more than one conductor. (408.41 and 408.41 Exception)

E3706.5 Back-fed devices. Plug-in-type overcurrent protection devices or plug-in-type main lug assemblies that are back-fed and used to terminate field-installed ungrounded supply conductors shall be secured in place by an additional fastener that requires other than a pull to release the device from the mounting means on the panel. [408.36(D)]

CHAPTER 38

WIRING METHODS

ICC user note:

About this chapter: Chapter 38 provides installation details for the wiring methods commonly found in dwelling unit construction, and it dictates where and under what conditions specific wiring methods can be used.

SECTION E3801 GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

E3801.1 Scope. This chapter covers the wiring methods for services, feeders and branch circuits for electrical power and distribution. (300.1)

E3801.2 Allowable wiring methods. The allowable wiring methods for electrical installations shall be those listed in Table E3801.2. Single conductors shall be used only where it is enclosed in one of the recognized wiring methods listed in Table E3801.2. As used in this code, abbreviations of the wiring-method types shall be as indicated in Table E3801.2. [110.8, 300.3(A)]

**TABLE E3801.2
ALLOWABLE WIRING METHODS**

ALLOWABLE WIRING METHOD	DESIGNATED ABBREVIATION
Armored cable	AC
Electrical metallic tubing	EMT
Electrical nonmetallic tubing	ENT
Flexible metal conduit	FMC
Intermediate metal conduit	IMC
Liquidtight flexible conduit	LFC
Metal-clad cable	MC
Nonmetallic sheathed cable	NM
Rigid metallic conduit	RMC
Rigid polyvinyl chloride conduit (Type PVC)	RNC
Reinforced Thermosetting Resin Conduit (Type RTRC)	RTRC
Service entrance cable	SE
Surface raceways	SR
Underground feeder cable	UF
Underground service cable	USE

E3801.3 Circuit conductors. All conductors of a circuit, including the local grounding conductors and bonding conductors, shall be contained in the same raceway, trench, cable or cord. [300.3(B)]

E3801.4 Wiring method applications. Wiring methods shall be applied in accordance with Table E3801.4. (Chapter 3 and 300.2)

SECTION E3802 ABOVE-GROUND INSTALLATION REQUIREMENTS

E3802.1 Installation and support requirements. Wiring methods shall be installed and supported in accordance with Table E3802.1. (Chapter 3 and 300.11)

E3802.2 Cables in accessible attics. Cables in attics or roof spaces provided with access shall be installed as specified in Sections E3802.2.1 and E3802.2.2. (320.3 and 334.23)

E3802.2.1 Across structural members. Where run across the top of floor joists, or run within 2,140 mm (7 feet) of floor or floor joists across the face of rafters or studding, in attics and roof spaces that are provided with access, the cable shall be protected by substantial guard strips that are at least as high as the cable. Where such spaces are not provided with access by permanent stairs or ladders, protection shall only be required within 1,830 mm (6 feet) of the nearest edge of the attic entrance. [320.23(A) and 334.23]

E3802.2.2 Cable installed through or parallel to framing members. Where cables are installed through or parallel to the sides of rafters, studs or floor joists, guard strips and running boards shall not be required, and the installation shall comply with Table E3802.1. [320.23(B) and 334.23]

E3802.3 Exposed cable. In exposed work, except as provided for in Sections E3802.2 and E3802.4, cable assemblies shall be installed as specified in Sections E3802.3.1 and E3802.3.2. (320.15, 330.15 and 334.15)

E3802.3.1 Surface installation. Cables when surface installed shall closely follow the surface of the building finish or running boards and be firmly strapped to the supporting surface by listed straps and pins. Surface installed cables shall traverse a path comprising plumb vertical and horizontal directions with the transition from vertical to horizontal or vice versa a 90-degree circular arc. The traverse of surface installed cables shall be disguised as much as possible by utilizing wall perimeter, intersection joints and construction joints. [334.15(A)]

E3802.3.2 Protection from physical damage. Where subject to physical damage, cables shall be protected by rigid metal conduit, intermediate metal conduit, electrical metallic tubing, Schedule 80 PVC conduit, RTRC-XW or other approved means. Where passing through a floor, the cable shall be enclosed in rigid metal conduit, intermediate metal conduit, electrical metallic tubing, Schedule 80PVC conduit, RTRC-XW or other approved means extending not less than 150 mm (6 inches) above the floor. [334.15(B)]

E3802.3.3 Locations exposed to direct sunlight. Insu-

lated conductors and cables used where exposed to direct rays of the sun shall be listed or listed and marked, as being “sunlight resistant,” or shall be covered with insulating material, such as tape or sleeving, that is listed or listed and marked as being “sunlight resistant.”
[310.10(D)]

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E3802.4 In unfinished basements and crawl spaces. Where type NM or SE cable is run at angles with joists in unfinished basements and crawl spaces, cable assemblies containing two or more conductors of sizes 6 AWG and larger and assemblies containing three or more conductors of sizes 8 AWG and larger shall not require additional protection where attached directly to the bottom of the joists. Smaller cables shall be run either through bored holes in joists or on running boards. Type NM or SE cable installed on the wall of an unfinished basement shall be permitted to be installed in a listed conduit or tubing or shall be protected in accordance with Table E3802.1. Conduit or tubing shall be provided with a suitable insulating bushing or adapter at the point where the cable enters the raceway. The sheath of the Type NM or SE cable shall extend through the conduit or tubing and into the

outlet or device box not less than 6.35 mm (1/4 inch). The cable shall be secured within 305 mm (12 inches) of the point where the cable enters the conduit or tubing. Metal conduit, tubing, and metal outlet boxes shall be connected to an equipment grounding conductor complying with Section E3908.13. Metric conductors in unfinished or finished concrete basements shall use EMT, IMC, RMC and RNC wiring methods embedded in the concrete slabs and walls while Metric conductors in unfinished or finished wooden basements shall use ENT, FMC, LFC and RMC wiring methods that run surfaced. For wooden basements exposed cables shall not be used. [334.15(C)]

E3802.5 Bends. Bends shall be made so as not to damage the wiring method or reduce the internal diameter of raceways.

For types NM and SE cable, bends shall be so made, and other handling shall be such that the cable will not be damaged and the radius of the curve of the inner edge of any bend shall be not less than five times the diameter of the cable. (334.24 and 338.24)

TABLE E3801.4 (Chapter 3 and 300.2)
ALLOWABLE APPLICATIONS FOR WIRING METHODS^{a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, i, j, k}

ALLOWABLE APPLICATIONS (application allowed where marked with an "A")	AC	EMT	ENT	FMC	IMC RMC RNC RTRC	LFC ^{a, g}	MC	NM	SR	SE	UF	USE
Services	—	A	A ^h	A ⁱ	A	A ⁱ	A	—	—	A	—	A
Feeders	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	—	A ^b	A	A ^b
Branch circuits	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A ^c	A	—
Inside a building	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	—
Wet locations exposed to sunlight	—	A	A ^h	—	A	A	A	—	—	A	A ^e	A ^e
Damp locations	—	A	A	A ^d	A	A	A	—	—	A	A	A
Embedded in noncinder concrete in dry location	—	A	A	—	A	A ^j	—	—	—	—	—	—
In noncinder concrete in contact with grade	—	A ^f	A	—	A ^f	A ^j	—	—	—	—	—	—
Embedded in plaster not exposed to dampness	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	—	—	A	A	—
Embedded in masonry	—	A	A	—	A ^f	A	A	—	—	—	—	—
In masonry voids and cells exposed to dampness or below grade line	—	A ^f	A	A ^d	A ^f	A	A	—	—	A	A	—
Fished in masonry voids	A	—	—	A	—	A	A	A	—	A	A	—
In masonry voids and cells not exposed to dampness	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	—	A	A	—
Run exposed	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	—
Run exposed and subject to physical damage	—	—	—	—	A ^g	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
For direct burial	—	A ^f	—	—	A ^f	A	A ^f	—	—	—	A	A

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.00328 foot.

1. Liquid-tight flexible nonmetallic conduit without integral reinforcement within the conduit wall shall not exceed 1,830 mm (6 feet) in length.
2. Type USE cable shall not be used inside buildings.
3. The grounded conductor shall be insulated.
4. Conductors shall be a type approved for wet locations and the installation shall prevent water from entering other raceways.
5. Shall be listed as "Sunlight Resistant."
6. Metal raceways shall be protected from corrosion and approved for the application. Aluminum RMC requires approved supplementary corrosion protection.
7. RNC shall be Schedule 80. RTRC shall be RTRC-XW
8. Shall be listed as "Sunlight Resistant" where exposed to the direct rays of the sun.
9. Conduit shall not exceed 1,830 mm (6 feet) in length.
10. Liquid-tight flexible nonmetallic conduit is permitted to be encased in concrete where listed for direct burial and only straight connectors listed for use with LFNC are used.
11. In wet locations under any of the following conditions:
 - a. The metallic covering is impervious to moisture.

- b. A lead sheath or moisture-impervious jacket is provided under the metal covering.
- c. The insulated conductors under the metallic covering are listed for use in wet locations and a corrosion-resistant jacket is provided over the metallic sheath.

TABLE E3802.1 (Chapter 3)
GENERAL INSTALLATION AND SUPPORT REQUIREMENTS FOR WIRING METHODS^{a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, i, j, k}

INSTALLATION REQUIREMENTS (Requirement applicable only to wiring methods marked "A")	AC MC	EMT IMC RMC	ENT	FMC LFC	NM UF	RNC RTRC	SE	SR ^a	USE
Where run parallel with the framing member or furring strip, the wiring shall be not less than 32 mm (1¼ inches) from the edge of a furring strip or a framing member such as a joist, rafter or stud or shall be physically protected.	A	—	A	A	A	—	A	—	—
Bored holes in framing members for wiring shall be located not less than 32 mm (1¼ inches) from the edge of the framing member or shall be protected with a minimum 1.6 mm (0.0625-inch) steel plate or sleeve, a listed steel plate or other physical protection.	A ^k	—	A ^k	A ^k	A ^k	—	A ^k	—	—
Where installed in grooves, to be covered by wallboard, siding, paneling, carpeting, or similar finish, wiring methods shall be protected by 1.6 mm (0.0625-inch)- thick steel plate, sleeve, or equivalent, a listed steel plate or by not less than 32 mm (1¼-inch) free space for the full length of the groove in which the cable or raceway is installed.	A	—	A	A	A	—	A	A	A
Securely fastened bushings or grommets shall be provided to protect wiring run through openings in metal framing members.	—	—	A ^j	—	A ^j	—	A ^j	—	—
The maximum number of 90-degree bends shall not exceed four between junction boxes.	—	A	A	A	—	A	—	—	—
Bushings shall be provided where entering a box, fitting or enclosure unless the box or fitting is designed to afford equivalent protection.	A	A	A	A	—	A	—	A	—
Ends of raceways shall be reamed to remove rough edges.	—	A	A	A	—	A	—	A	—
Maximum allowable on center support spacing for the wiring method in millimetres (feet).	1,370 ^{b, c}	3,050	915 ^b	1,370 ^b	1,370 ^b	915 ^d	760 ^e	—	760

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 degree = 0.0175 rad.

- i. Installed in accordance with listing requirements.
- ii. Supports not required in accessible ceiling spaces between light fixtures where lengths do not exceed 1,830 mm (6 feet).
- iii. One Thousand Eight Hundred and Thirty millimetres (Six feet) for MC cable.
- iv. Five feet for trade sizes 1¼ through 2 inches, 6 feet for trade sizes 2½ through 3, 7 feet for trade sizes 3½ through 5 inches, 8 feet for trade size 6 inches.
- v. Two and one-half feet where used for service or outdoor feeder and 4.5 feet where used for branch circuit or indoor feeder.
- vi. Twenty-four inches for Type AC cable and 36 inches for interlocking Type MC cable where flexibility is necessary.
- vii. Where flexibility after installation is necessary, lengths of flexible metal conduit and liquidtight flexible metal conduit measured from the last point where the raceway is securely fastened shall not exceed: 36 inches for trade sizes ½ through 1¼, 48 inches for trade sizes 1½ through 2, and 5 feet for trade sizes 2½ and larger.
- viii. Within 8 inches of boxes without cable clamps.
- ix. Flat cables shall not be stapled on edge.
- x. Bushings and grommets shall remain in place and shall be listed for the purpose of cable protection.
- xi. See Sections R502.8 and R802.7 for additional limitations on the location of bored holes in horizontal framing members.

E3802.6 Cable-securing means. Cables shall be supported and secured by staples; cable ties listed and identified for securement and support; or straps, hangers or similar fittings designed and installed so as not to damage the cable. [320.30 (A), 330.30 (A), 334.30, 338.10 (B) (4), 340.10 (4)]

E3802.7 Raceways exposed to different temperatures. Where portions of a raceway or sleeve are known to be subjected to different temperatures and where condensation is known to be a problem, as in cold storage areas of buildings or where passing from the interior to the exterior of a building, the raceway or sleeve shall be filled with an approved material to prevent the circulation of warm air to a colder section of the raceway or sleeve. [300.7(A)]

E3802.8 Raceways in wet locations above grade. Where raceways are installed in wet locations above grade, the interior of such raceways shall be considered to be a wet location. Insulated conductors and cables installed in raceways in wet locations above grade shall be listed for use in wet locations. (300.9)

SECTION E3803

UNDERGROUND INSTALLATION REQUIREMENTS

E3803.1 Minimum cover requirements. Direct buried cable or raceways shall be installed in accordance with the minimum cover requirements of Table E3803.1. [300.5(A)]

E3803.2 Warning ribbon. Underground service conductors that are not encased in concrete and that are buried 18 inches (457 mm) or more below grade shall have their location identified by a warning ribbon that is placed in the trench not less than 12 inches (305 mm) above the underground installation. [300.5(D)(3)]

E3803.3 Protection from damage. Direct buried conductors and cables emerging from the ground shall be protected by enclosures or raceways extending from the minimum cover distance below grade required by Section E3803.1 to a point at least 8 feet (2438 mm) above finished grade. In no case shall the protection be required to exceed 18 inches (457 mm) below finished grade. Conductors entering a building shall be

protected to the point of entrance. Where the enclosure or raceway is subject to physical damage, the conductors shall be installed in electrical metallic tubing, rigid metal conduit, intermediate metal conduit, Schedule 80 PVC conduit, RTRC-XW or the equivalent. [300.5(D)(1)]

E3803.4 Splices and taps. Direct buried conductors or cables shall be permitted to be spliced or tapped without the use of splice boxes. The splices or taps shall be made by approved methods with materials listed for the application. [300.5(E)]

E3803.5 Backfill. Backfill containing large rock, paving materials, cinders, large or sharply angular substances, or corrosive material shall not be placed in an excavation where such materials cause damage to raceways, cables or other substructures or prevent adequate compaction of fill or contribute to corrosion of raceways, cables or other substructures. Where necessary to prevent physical damage to the raceway or cable, protection shall be provided in the form of granular or selected material, suitable boards, suitable sleeves or other approved means. [300.5(F)]

TABLE E3803.1 (Table 300.5)
MINIMUM COVER REQUIREMENTS, BURIAL IN MILLIMETRES^{a, b, c, d, e}

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LOCATION OF WIRING METHOD OR CIRCUIT	TYPE OF WIRING METHOD OR CIRCUIT				
	1 Direct burial cables or conductors	2 Rigid metal conduit or intermediate metal conduit	3 Nonmetallic raceways listed for direct burial without concrete encasement or other approved raceways	4 Residential branch circuits rated 120 volts or less with GFCI protection and maximum overcurrent protection of 20 amperes	5 Circuits for control of irrigation and landscape lighting limited to not more than 30 volts and installed with type UF or in other identified cable or raceway
All locations not specified below	610	150	455	305	150 ^{f, g}
In trench below 51-millimetres- thick concrete or equivalent	455	150	305	150	150
Under a building	0 (In raceway only or Type MC identified for direct burial)	0	0	0 (In raceway only or Type MC identified for direct burial)	0 (In raceway only or Type MC identified for direct burial)
Under minimum of 100-millimetres- thick concrete exterior slab with no vehicular traffic and the slab extending not less than 150 millimetres beyond the underground installation	455	100	100	150 (Direct burial) 100 (In raceway)	150 (Direct burial) 100 (In raceway)
Under streets, highways, roads, alleys, driveways and parking lots	610	610	610	610	610
One- and two-family dwelling driveways and outdoor parking areas, and used only for dwelling-related purposes	455	455	455	305	455
In solid rock where covered by minimum of 51 millimetres concrete extending down to rock	51 (In raceway only)	51	51	51 (In raceway only)	51 (In raceway only)

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch.

1. Raceways approved for burial only where encased concrete shall require concrete envelope not less than 51 mm (2 inches) thick.
2. Lesser depths shall be permitted where cables and conductors rise for terminations or splices or where access is otherwise required.
3. Where one of the wiring method types listed in columns 1 to 3 is combined with one of the circuit types in columns 4 and 5, the shallower depth of burial shall be permitted.
4. Where solid rock prevents compliance with the cover depths specified in this table, the wiring shall be installed in metal or nonmetallic raceway permitted for direct burial. The raceways shall be covered by a minimum of 51 mm (2 inches) of concrete extending down to the rock.
5. Cover is defined as the shortest distance in millimetres (inches) measured between a point on the top surface of any direct-buried conductor, cable, conduit or other raceway and the top surface of finished grade, concrete, or similar cover.
 - A lesser depth shall be permitted where specified in the installation instructions of a listed low-voltage lighting system.
 - A depth of 150 mm (6 inches) shall be permitted for pool, spa, and fountain lighting that is installed in a nonmetallic raceway, limited to not more than 30 volts and part of a listed low-voltage lighting system

E3803.6 Raceway seals. Conduits or raceways shall be sealed or plugged at either or both ends where moisture will enter and contact live parts. Spare or unused raceways shall also be sealed. Sealants shall be identified for the use with the cable insulation, conductor insulation, bare conductor or other components. [300.5(G)]

E3803.7 Bushing. A bushing, or terminal fitting, with an integral bushed opening shall be installed on the end of a conduit or other raceway that terminates underground where the conductors or cables emerge as a direct burial wiring method. A seal incorporating the physical protection characteristics of a bushing shall be considered equivalent to a bushing. [300.5(H)]

E3803.8 Single conductors. All conductors of the same circuit and, where present, the grounded conductor and all the local grounding conductors shall be installed in the same raceway or shall be installed in close proximity in the same trench. [300.5(I)]

Exception: Conductors shall be permitted to be installed in parallel in raceways, multiconductor cables, and direct-buried single conductor cables. Each raceway or multiconductor cable shall contain all conductors of the same circuit, including the local grounding conductors. Each direct-buried single conductor cable shall be located in close proximity in the trench to the other single conductor cables in the same parallel set of conductors in the circuit, including the local grounding conductors. [300.5(I) Exception 1]

E3803.9 Earth movement. Where direct buried conductors, raceways or cables are subject to movement by settlement or frost, direct buried conductors, raceways or cables shall be arranged to prevent damage to the enclosed conductors or to equipment connected to the raceways. [300.5(J)]

E3803.10 Wet locations. The interior of enclosures or raceways installed underground shall be considered to be a wet location. Insulated conductors and cables installed in such enclosures or raceways in underground installations shall be listed for use in wet locations. [300.5(B)]

E3803.11 Under buildings. Underground cable and conductors installed under a building shall be in a raceway. [300.5(C)]

Exception: Type MC Cable shall be permitted under a building without installation in a raceway where the cable is listed and identified for direct burial or concrete encasement and one or more of the following applies:

- a. The metallic covering is impervious to moisture.
- b. A moisture-impervious jacket is provided under the metal covering.
- c. The insulated conductors under the metallic covering are listed for use in wet locations. [300.5(C) Exception 2]

CHAPTER 39

POWER AND LIGHTING DISTRIBUTION

ICC user note:

About this chapter: Chapter 39 addresses the “rough-in” stage of construction in which the wiring system is installed and receptacle and lighting outlets placed throughout the dwelling or other permitted small structure. This chapter covers receptacle outlet spacing, GFCI (ground-fault circuit-interrupter) and AFCI (arc-fault circuit-interrupter) protection, lighting outlet locations, raceway and box fill limitations, box and panel board installation, equipment grounding and flexible cords.

SECTION E3901 RECEPTACLE OUTLETS

E3901.1 General. Outlets for receptacles rated at 125 volts, 15- and 20-amperes shall be provided in accordance with Sections E3901.2 through E3901.11. Receptacle outlets required by this section shall be in addition to any receptacle that is:

1. Part of a luminaire or appliance;
2. Located within cabinets or cupboards;
3. Controlled by a wall switch in accordance with Section E3903.2, Exception 1; or
4. Located over 1,675 mm (5.5 feet) above the floor.

Permanently installed electric baseboard heaters equipped with factory-installed receptacle outlets, or outlets provided as a separate assembly by the baseboard manufacturer shall be permitted as the required outlet or outlets for the wall space utilized by such permanently installed heaters. Such receptacle outlets shall not be connected to the heater circuits. (210.52)

E3901.2 General purpose receptacle distribution. In every kitchen, family room, dining room, living room, parlor, library, den, passage, sun room, bedroom, recreation room, or similar room or area of dwelling units, receptacle outlets shall be installed in accordance with the general provisions specified in Sections E3901.2.1 through E3901.2.3 (see Figure E3901.2).

E3901.2.1 Spacing. Receptacles shall be installed so that no point measured horizontally along the floor line of any wall space is more than 1,830 mm (6 feet), from a receptacle outlet. [210.52(A)(1)]

E3901.2.2 Wall space. As used in this section, a wall space shall include the following: [210.52(A)(2)]

- a. Any space that is 610 mm (2 feet) or more in width, including space measured around corners, and that is unbroken along the floor line by doorways and similar openings, fireplaces, and fixed cabinets that do not have countertops or similar work surfaces.
- b. The space occupied by fixed panels in exterior walls, excluding sliding panels.
- c. The space created by fixed room dividers such as railings and freestanding bar-type counters.

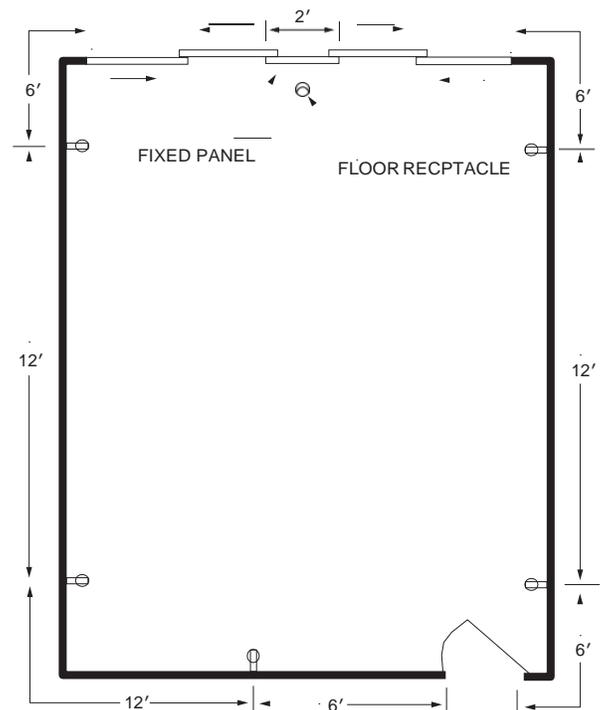
E3901.2.3 Floor receptacles. Receptacle outlets in floors shall not be counted as part of the required number of receptacle outlets except where located within 455 mm (18 inches) of the wall. [210.52(A)(3)]

E3901.2.4 Countertop and similar work surface receptacles outlets. Receptacles installed for countertop and similar work surfaces as specified in Section E3901.4 shall not be considered as the receptacle outlets required by Section E3901.2. [210.52(A)(4)]

E3901.3 Small appliance receptacles. In the kitchen, pantry, breakfast room, dining room, or similar area of a dwelling unit, the two or more 20-ampere small-appliance branch circuits required by Section E3703.2, shall serve all wall and floor receptacle outlets covered by Sections E3901.2 and E3901.4 and those receptacle outlets provided for refrigeration appliances. [210.52(B)(1)]

Exceptions:

- a. In addition to the required receptacles specified by Sections E3901.1 and E3901.2, switched receptacles supplied from a general-purpose branch circuit as



For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.00328 foot.

**FIGURE E3901.2
GENERAL USE RECEPTACLE DISTRIBUTION**

POWER AND LIGHTING DISTRIBUTION

defined in Section E3903.2, Exception 1 shall be permitted. [210.52(B)(1) Exception No. 1]

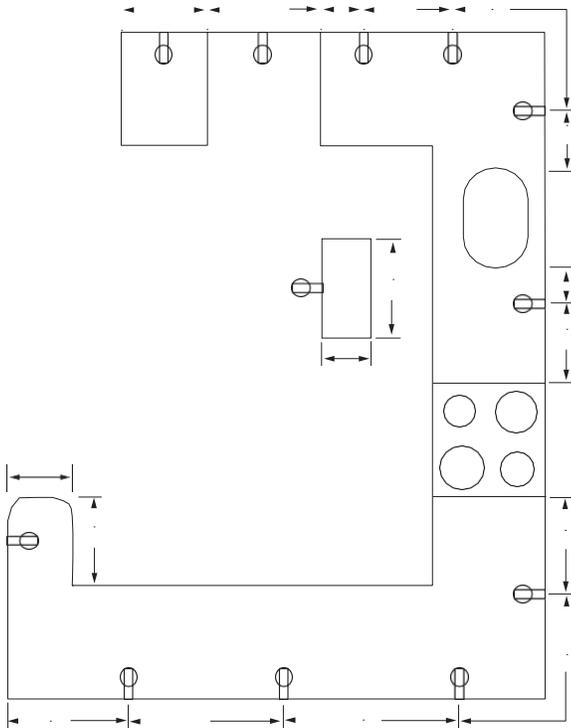
- b. In addition to the required receptacles specified by Section E3901.2, a receptacle outlet to serve a specific appliance shall be permitted to be supplied from a dedicated (individual) branch circuit rated at 15 amperes or greater. [210.52(B)(1) Exception No. 2]

E3901.3.1 Other outlets prohibited. The two or more small-appliance branch circuits specified in Section E3901.3 shall serve no other outlets. [210.52(B)(2)]

Exceptions:

- a. A receptacle installed solely for the electrical supply to and support of an electric clock in any of the rooms specified in Section E3901.3. [210.52(B)(2) Exception No.1]
- b. Receptacles installed to provide power for supplemental equipment and lighting on gas-fired ranges, ovens, and counter-mounted cooking units. [210.52(B)(2) Exception No. 2]

E3901.3.2 Limitations. Receptacles installed in a kitchen to serve countertop surfaces shall be supplied by not less than two small-appliance branch circuits, one of which shall also be permitted to supply receptacle outlets in the same kitchen or in other rooms specified in Section E3901.3. Additional small-appliance branch circuits shall be permitted to supply receptacle outlets in the kitchen and other rooms specified in Section E3901.3. A small-appliance branch circuit shall not serve more than one kitchen. [210.52(B)(3)]



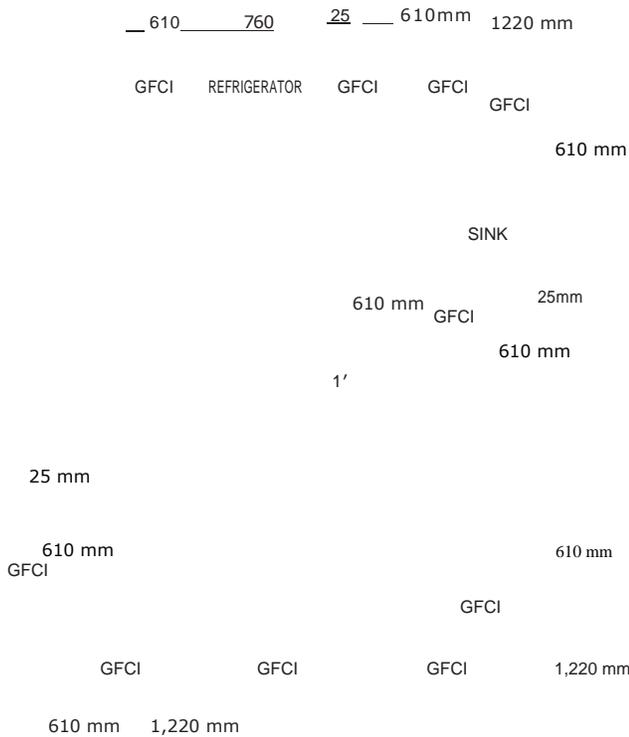
E3901.4 Countertop and work surface receptacles. In kitchens pantries, breakfast rooms, dining rooms and similar areas of dwelling units, receptacle outlets for countertop and work surfaces shall be installed in accordance with Sections E3901.4.1 through E3901.4.5 (see Figure E3901.4). [210.52(C)]

E3901.4.1 Wall countertop space. A receptacle outlet shall be installed at each wall countertop and work surface that is 305 mm (12 inches) or wider. Receptacle outlets shall be installed so that no point along the wall line is more than 610 mm (24 inches), measured horizontally, from a receptacle outlet in that space. [210.52(C)(1)]

Exception: Receptacle outlets shall not be required on a wall directly behind a range, counter-mounted cooking unit or sink in the installation described in Figure E3901.4.1. [210.52(C)(1) Exception]

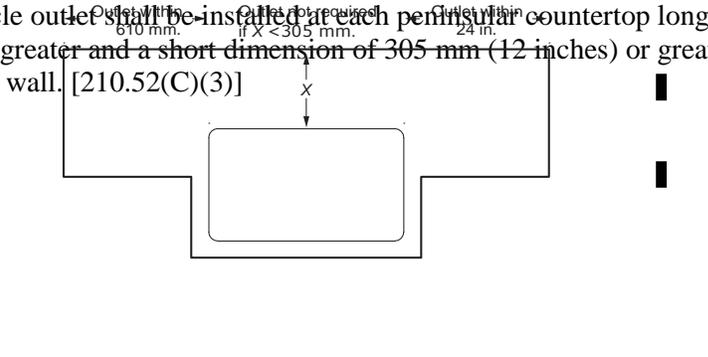
E3901.4.2 Island countertop spaces. At least one receptacle outlet shall be installed at each island countertop space with a long dimension of 610 mm (24 inches) or greater and a short dimension of 305 mm (12 inches) or greater. [210.52(C)(2)]

E3901.4.3 Peninsular countertop space. Not less than one receptacle outlet shall be installed at each peninsular countertop long dimension space having a long dimension of 610 mm (24 inches) or greater and a short dimension of 305 mm (12 inches) or greater. A peninsular countertop is measured from the connected perpendicular wall. [210.52(C)(3)]

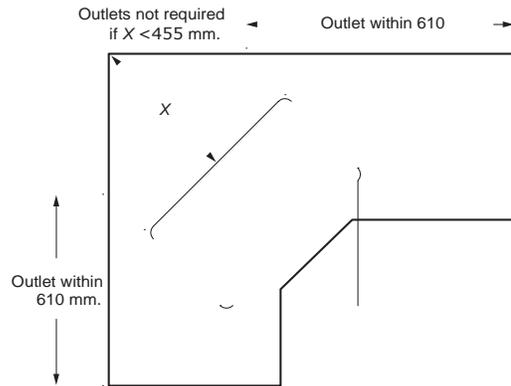


For Inch Pound Units: 1 = 0.00326 foot.

**FIGURE E3901.4
COUNTERTOP RECEPTACLES**



Sink, range or counter-mounted cooking unit extending from face of counter



Sink, range or counter-mounted cooking unit mounted in corner

For Inch Pound Units: 1 = 0.03937 inch.

**FIGURE E3901.4.1
DETERMINATION OF AREA BEHIND SINK OR RANGE**

E3901.4.4 Separate spaces. Countertop spaces separated by range tops, refrigerators, or sinks shall be considered as separate countertop spaces in applying the requirements of Sections E3901.4.1, E3901.4.2 and E3901.4.3.

Where a range, counter-mounted cooking unit, or sink is installed in an island or peninsular countertop and the depth of the countertop behind the range, counter-mounted cooking unit, or sink is less than 305 mm (12 inches), the range, counter-mounted cooking unit, or sink has divided the countertop space into two separate countertop spaces as defined in Section E3901.4.4. Each separate countertop space shall comply with the applicable requirements of this section. [210.52(C)(4)]

E3901.4.5 Receptacle outlet location. Receptacle outlets shall be located not more than 510 mm (20 inches) above the countertop or work surface. Receptacle outlet assemblies installed in countertops and work surfaces shall be listed for use in countertops or work surfaces. Receptacle outlets rendered not readily accessible by appliances fastened in place, appliance garages, sinks or rangetops as addressed in the exception to Section E3901.4.1, or appliances occupying dedicated space shall not be considered as these required outlets. [210.52(C)(5)]

Exception: Receptacle outlets shall be permitted to be mounted not more than 305 mm (12 inches) below the countertop or work surface in construction designed for the physically impaired and for island and peninsular countertops or work surface where the surface is flat across its entire surface and there are no means to mount a receptacle within 510 mm (20 inches) above the countertop, such as in an overhead cabinet. Receptacles mounted below the countertop or work surface in accordance with this exception shall not be located where the countertop or work surface extends more than 150 mm (6 inches) beyond its support base. [210.52(C)(5) Exception]

E3901.5 Appliance receptacle outlets. Appliance receptacle outlets installed for specific appliances, such as laundry equipment, shall be installed within 1,830 mm (6 feet) of the intended location of the appliance. (210.50(C))

E3901.6 Bathroom. At least one receptacle outlet shall be installed in bathrooms and such outlet shall be located within 915 mm (36 inches) of the outside edge of each lavatory basin. The receptacle outlet shall be located on a wall or partition that is adjacent to the lavatory basin location, located on the countertop, or installed on the side or face of the basin cabinet. The receptacle shall be located not more than 305 mm (12 inches) below the top of the basin or basin countertop.

Receptacle outlet assemblies installed in countertops shall be listed for the application. [210.52(D)]

E3901.7 Outdoor outlets. Not less than one receptacle outlet that is readily accessible from grade level and located not more than 1,980 mm (6 feet, 6 inches) above grade, shall be installed outdoors at the front and back of each dwelling unit having direct access to grade level. Balconies, decks, and porches that are accessible from inside of the dwelling unit shall have at least one receptacle

outlet installed within the perimeter of the balcony, deck, or porch. The receptacle shall be located not more than 1,980 mm (6 feet, 6 inches) above the balcony, deck, or porch surface. [210.52(E)]

E3901.8 Laundry areas. Not less than one receptacle outlet shall be installed in areas designated for the installation of laundry equipment.

E3901.9 Basements, garages and accessory buildings. Not less than one receptacle outlet, in addition to any provided for specific equipment, shall be installed in each separate unfinished portion of a basement; in each vehicle bay not more than 1,675 mm (5.5 feet) above the floor in detached garages that are provided with electric power and in accessory buildings that are provided with electric power. [210.52(G)(1), (2), and (3)]

E3901.10 Hallways. Hallways of 3,050 mm (10 feet) or more in length shall have at least one receptacle outlet. The hall length shall be considered the length measured along the centerline of the hall without passing through a doorway. [210.52(H)]

E3901.11 Foyers. Foyers that are not part of a hallway in accordance with Section E3901.10 and that have an area that is greater than 5.57 m² (60 square feet) shall have a receptacle(s) located in each wall space that is 915 mm (3 feet) or more in width. Doorways, door-side windows that extend to the floor, and similar openings shall not be considered as wall space. [210.52(H)]

E3901.12 HVAC outlet. A 125-volt, single-phase, 15- or 20-ampere-rated receptacle outlet shall be installed at an accessible location for the servicing of heating, air-conditioning and refrigeration equipment. The receptacle shall be located on the same level and within 7,620 mm (25 feet) of the heating, air-conditioning and refrigeration equipment. The receptacle outlet shall not be connected to the load side of the HVAC equipment disconnecting means. (210.63)

Exception: A receptacle outlet shall not be required for the servicing of evaporative coolers. (210.63 Exception)

SECTION E3902 GROUND-FAULT AND ARC-FAULT CIRCUIT-INTERRUPTER PROTECTION

E3902.1 Bathroom receptacles. 125-volt, single-phase, 15- and 20-ampere receptacles installed in bathrooms shall have ground-fault circuit-interrupter protection for personnel. [210.8(A)(1)]

E3902.2 Garage and accessory building receptacles. 125-volt, single-phase, 15- or 20-ampere receptacles installed in garages and grade-level portions of unfinished accessory buildings used for storage or work areas shall have ground-fault circuit-interrupter protection for personnel. [210.8(A)(2)]

E3902.3 Outdoor receptacles. 125-volt, single-phase, 15- and 20-ampere receptacles installed outdoors shall have ground-fault circuit-interrupter protection for personnel. [210.8(A)(3)]

Exception: Receptacles as covered in Section E4101.7. [210.8(A)(3) Exception]

E3902.4 Crawl space receptacles and lighting outlets.

Where a crawl space is at or below grade level, 125-volt, single-phase, 15- and 20-ampere receptacles installed in such spaces shall have ground-fault circuit-interrupter protection for personnel. Lighting outlets not exceeding 120 volts shall have ground-fault circuit-interrupter protection. [210.8(A)(4), 2108(E)]

E3902.5 Unfinished basement receptacles. 125-volt, single-phase, 15- and 20-ampere receptacles installed in unfinished basements shall have ground-fault circuit-interrupter protection for personnel. For purposes of this section, unfinished basements are defined as portions or areas of the basement not intended as habitable rooms. [210.8(A)(5)]

Exception: A receptacle supplying only a permanently installed fire alarm or burglar alarm system. Receptacles installed in accordance with this exception shall not be considered as meeting the requirement of Section E3901.9. [210.8(A)(5) Exception]

E3902.6 Kitchen receptacles. 125-volt, single-phase, 15- and 20-ampere receptacles that serve countertop surfaces shall have ground-fault circuit-interrupter protection for personnel. [210.8(A)(6)]

E3902.7 Sink receptacles. 125-volt, single-phase, 15- and 20-ampere receptacles that are located within 1,830 mm (6 feet) of the top inside edge of the bowl of the sink shall have ground-fault circuit-interrupter protection for personnel. [210.8(A)(7)]

E3902.8 Bathtub or shower stall receptacles. 125-volt, single phase, 15- and 20-ampere receptacles that are located within 1,830 mm (6 feet) of the outside edge of a bathtub or shower stall shall have ground-fault circuit-interrupter protection for personnel. [210.8(A)(8)]

E3902.9 Laundry areas. 125-volt, single-phase, 15- and 20-ampere receptacles installed in laundry areas shall have ground-fault circuit-interrupter protection for personnel. [210.8(A)(9)]

E3902.10 Kitchen dishwasher branch circuit. Ground-fault circuit-interrupter protection shall be provided for outlets that supply dishwashers in dwelling unit locations. [210.8(D)]

E3902.11 Boathouse receptacles. 125-volt, single-phase, 15- or 20-ampere receptacles installed in boathouses shall have ground-fault circuit-interrupter protection for personnel. [210.8(A)(8)]

E3902.12 Boat hoists. Ground-fault circuit-interrupter protection for personnel shall be provided for 240-volt and less outlets that supply boat hoists. [210.8(C)]

E3902.13 Electrically heated floors. Ground-fault circuit-interrupter protection for personnel shall be provided for electric heating cables embedded in concrete or poured masonry floors in bathrooms, kitchens and in hydromassage bathtub, spa and hot tub locations. Heating cables installed under floor coverings shall be provided with ground-fault circuit-interrupter protection for personnel. [424.44(E), 424.45(E)]

E3902.14 Location of ground-fault circuit interrupters. Ground-fault circuit interrupters shall be installed in a readily accessible location. When determining distance from recepta-

cles, the distance shall be measured as the shortest path the cord of an appliance connected to the receptacle would follow without piercing a floor, wall, ceiling, or fixed barrier, or passing through a door, doorway or window. [210.8(A)]

E3902.15 Location of arc-fault circuit interrupters. Arc-fault circuit interrupters shall be installed in readily accessible locations.

E3902.16 Arc-fault circuit-interrupter protection. Branch circuits that supply 120-volt, single-phase, 15- and 20-ampere outlets installed in kitchens, family rooms, dining rooms, living rooms, parlors, libraries, dens, bedrooms, sun-rooms, recreations rooms, closets, hallways, laundry areas and similar rooms or areas shall be protected by any of the following: [210.12(A)]

- i. A listed combination-type arc-fault circuit interrupter, installed to provide protection of the entire branch circuit. [210.12(A)(1)]
- ii. A listed branch/feeder-type AFCI installed at the origin of the branch-circuit in combination with a listed outlet branch-circuit-type arc-fault circuit interrupter installed at the first outlet box on the branch circuit. The first outlet box in the branch circuit shall be marked to indicate that it is the first outlet of the circuit. [210.12(A)(2)]
- iii. A listed supplemental arc-protection circuit breaker installed at the origin of the branch circuit in combination with a listed outlet branch-circuit-type arc-fault circuit interrupter installed at the first outlet box on the branch circuit where all of the following conditions are met:
 1. The branch-circuit wiring shall be continuous from the branch-circuit overcurrent device to the outlet branch-circuit arc-fault circuit interrupter.
 2. The maximum length of the branch-circuit wiring from the branch-circuit overcurrent device to the first outlet shall not exceed 15,250 mm (50 feet) for 14 AWG or 1.5 mm² metric conductors and 21,340 mm (70 feet) for 12 AWG or 2.5 mm² metric conductors.
 3. The first outlet box on the branch circuit shall be marked to indicate that it is the first outlet on the circuit. [210.12(A)(3)]
- iv. A listed outlet branch-circuit-type arc-fault circuit interrupter installed at the first outlet on the branch circuit in combination with a listed branch-circuit overcurrent protective device where all of the following conditions are met:
 1. The branch-circuit wiring shall be continuous from the branch-circuit overcurrent device to the outlet branch-circuit arc-fault circuit interrupter.
 2. The maximum length of the branch-circuit wiring from the branch-circuit overcurrent device to the first outlet shall not exceed 15,250 mm (50 feet) for 14 AWG or 1.5 mm² metric conductors and 21,340 mm (70 feet) for 12 AWG or 2.5 mm² metric conductors.
 3. The first outlet box on the branch circuit shall be marked to indicate that it is the first outlet on the circuit.

4. The combination of the branch-circuit overcurrent device and outlet branch-circuit AFCI shall be identified as meeting the requirements for a system combination-type AFCI and shall be listed as such. [210.12(A)(4)]
- v. Where metal outlet boxes and junction boxes and RMC, IMC, EMT, Type MC or steel-armored Type AC cables meeting the requirements of Section E3908.8, metal wireways or metal auxiliary gutters are installed for the portion of the branch circuit between the branch-circuit overcurrent device and the first outlet, a listed outlet branch-circuit type AFCI installed at the first outlet shall be considered as providing protection for the remaining portion of the branch circuit. [210.12(A)(5)]
- vi. Where a listed metal or nonmetallic conduit or tubing or Type MC cable is encased in not less than 51 mm (2 inches) of concrete for the portion of the branch circuit between the branch-circuit overcurrent device and the first outlet, a listed outlet branch-circuit-type AFCI installed at the first outlet shall be considered as providing protection for the remaining portion of the branch circuit. [210.12(A)(6)]

Exception: AFCI protection is not required for an individual branch circuit supplying only a fire alarm system where the branch circuit is wired with metal outlet and junction boxes and RMC, IMC, EMT or steel-sheathed armored cable Type AC or Type MC meeting the requirements of Section E3908.8.

E3902.17 Arc-fault circuit-interrupter protection for branch circuit extensions or modifications. Where branch-circuit wiring is modified, replaced, or extended in any of the areas specified in Section E3902.16, the branch circuit shall be protected by one of the following:

- a. A combination-type AFCI located at the origin of the branch circuit.
- b. An outlet branch-circuit type AFCI located at the first receptacle outlet of the existing branch circuit. [210.12(B)]

Exception: AFCI protection shall not be required where the extension of the existing conductors is not more than 1,830 mm (6 feet) in length and does not include any additional outlets or devices. [210.12(B) Exception]

SECTION E3903 LIGHTING OUTLETS

E3903.1 General. Lighting outlets shall be provided in accordance with Sections E3903.2 through E3903.4. [210.70(A)]

E3903.2 Habitable rooms. At least one wall switch-controlled lighting outlet shall be installed in every habitable room, kitchen and bathroom. [210.70(A)(1)]

Exceptions:

- a. In other than kitchens and bathrooms, one or more receptacles controlled by a wall switch shall be considered equivalent to the required lighting outlet. [210.70(A)(1) Exception No. 1]

- b. Lighting outlets shall be permitted to be controlled by occupancy sensors that are in addition to wall switches, or that are located at a customary wall switch location and equipped with a manual override that will allow the sensor to function as a wall switch. [210.70(A)(1) Exception No. 2]

E3903.3 Additional locations. At least one wall-switch-controlled lighting outlet shall be installed in hallways, stairways, attached garages, and detached garages with electric power. At least one wall-switch-controlled lighting outlet shall be installed to provide illumination on the exterior side of each outdoor egress door having grade level access, including outdoor egress doors for attached garages and detached garages with electric power. A vehicle door in a garage shall not be considered as an outdoor egress door.

E3903.3.1 Stairway lighting outlet control. Where one or more lighting outlets are installed for interior stairways, there shall be a wall switch at each floor level and landing level that includes an entryway to control the lighting outlets where the stairway between floor levels has six or more risers. Lighting outlets installed to meet this requirement shall not be controlled by the use of dimmer switches except where the dimmer switches provide the full range of dimming control at each switch location. [210.70(A)(2)]

Exception: In hallways, stairways, and at outdoor egress doors, remote, central, or automatic control of lighting shall be permitted. [210.70(A)(2) Exception]

E3903.4 Storage or equipment spaces. In attics, under-floor spaces, utility rooms and basements, at least one lighting outlet shall be installed where these spaces are used for storage or contain equipment requiring servicing. Such lighting outlet shall be controlled by a wall switch or shall have an integral switch. At least one point of control shall be at the usual point of entry to these spaces. The lighting outlet shall be provided at or near the equipment requiring servicing. [210.70(A)(3)]

SECTION E3904 GENERAL INSTALLATION REQUIREMENTS

E3904.1 Electrical continuity of metal raceways and enclosures. Metal raceways, cable armor and other metal enclosures for conductors shall be mechanically joined together into a continuous electric conductor and shall be connected to all boxes, fittings and cabinets so as to provide effective electrical continuity. Raceways and cable assemblies shall be mechanically secured to boxes, fittings cabinets and other enclosures. (300.10)

Exception: Short sections of raceway used to provide cable assemblies with support or protection against physical damage. (300.10 Exception No. 1)

E3904.2 Mechanical continuity—raceways and cables. Raceways, cable armors and cable sheaths shall be continuous between cabinets, boxes, fittings or other enclosures or outlets. (300.12)

Exception: Short sections of raceway used to provide cable assemblies with support or protection against physical damage. (300.12 Exception No. 1)

E3904.3 Securing and supporting. Raceways, cable assemblies, boxes, cabinets and fittings shall be securely fastened in place. (300.11)

E3904.3.1 Prohibited means of support. Cable wiring methods shall not be used as a means of support for other cables, raceways and nonelectrical equipment. [300.11(D)]

E3904.4 Raceways as means of support. Raceways shall be used as a means of support for other raceways, cables or non-electric equipment only under the following conditions:

- a. Where the raceway or means of support is identified as a means of support; or
- b. Where the raceway contains power supply conductors for electrically controlled equipment and is used to support Class 2 circuit conductors or cables that are solely for the purpose of connection to the control circuits of the equipment served by such raceway; or
- c. Where the raceway is used to support boxes or conduit bodies in accordance with Sections E3906.8.4 and E3906.8.5. [300.11(C)]

E3904.5 Raceway installations. Raceways shall be installed complete between outlet, junction or splicing points prior to the installation of conductors. (300.18)

Exception: Short sections of raceways used to contain conductors or cable assemblies for protection from physical damage shall not be required to be installed complete between outlet, junction, or splicing points. (300.18 Exception)

E3904.6 Conduit and tubing fill. The maximum number of conductors installed in conduit or tubing shall be in accordance with Tables E3904.6(1) through E3904.6(10). (300.17, Chapter 9, Table 1 and Annex C)

E3904.7 Air handling-stud cavity and joist spaces. Where wiring methods having a nonmetallic covering pass through stud cavities and joist spaces used for air handling, such wiring shall pass through such spaces perpendicular to the long dimension of the spaces. [300.22(C) Exception]

SECTION E3905 BOXES, CONDUIT BODIES AND FITTINGS

E3905.1 Box, conduit body or fitting—where required. A box or conduit body shall be installed at each conductor splice point, outlet, switch point, junction point and pull point except as otherwise permitted in Sections E3905.1.1 through E3905.1.6.

Fittings and connectors shall be used only with the specific wiring methods for which they are designed and listed. (300.15)

E3905.1.1 Equipment. An integral junction box or wiring compartment that is part of listed equipment shall be permitted to serve as a box or conduit body. [300.15(B)]

E3905.1.2 Protection. A box or conduit body shall not be required where cables enter or exit from conduit or tubing that is used to provide cable support or protection against physical damage. A fitting shall be provided on the end(s)

of the conduit or tubing to protect the cable from abrasion. [300.15(C)]

E3905.1.3 Integral enclosure. A wiring device with integral enclosure identified for the use, having brackets that securely fasten the device to walls or ceilings of conventional on-site frame construction, for use with nonmetallic-sheathed cable, shall be permitted in lieu of a box or conduit body. [300.15(E)]

E3905.1.4 Fitting. A fitting identified for the use shall be permitted in lieu of a box or conduit body where such fitting is accessible after installation and does not contain spliced or terminated conductors. [300.15(F)]

E3905.1.5 Buried conductors. Splices and taps in buried conductors and cables shall not be required to be enclosed in a box or conduit body where installed in accordance with Section E3803.4.

E3905.1.6 Luminaires. Where a luminaire is listed to be used as a raceway, a box or conduit body shall not be required for wiring installed therein. [300.15(J)]

E3905.2 Metal boxes. Metal boxes shall be grounded. (314.4)

E3905.3 Nonmetallic boxes. Nonmetallic boxes shall be used only with cabled wiring methods with entirely nonmetallic sheaths, flexible cords and nonmetallic raceways. (314.3)

Exceptions:

- a. Where internal bonding means are provided between all entries, nonmetallic boxes shall be permitted to be used with metal raceways and metal-armored cables. (314.3 Exception No. 1)
- b. Where integral bonding means with a provision for attaching an equipment grounding jumper inside the box are provided between all threaded entries in nonmetallic boxes listed for the purpose, nonmetallic boxes shall be permitted to be used with metal raceways and metal-armored cables. (314.3 Exception No. 2)

E3905.3.1 Nonmetallic-sheathed cable and nonmetallic boxes. Where nonmetallic-sheathed cable is used, the cable assembly, including the sheath, shall extend into the box not less than 6.35 mm ($1/4$ inch) through a nonmetallic-sheathed cable knockout opening. (314.7(C))

E3905.3.2 Securing to box. Wiring methods shall be secured to the boxes. [314.17(C)]

Exception: Where nonmetallic-sheathed cable is used with boxes not larger than a nominal size of 57 mm by 100 mm ($2\frac{1}{4}$ inches by 4 inches) mounted in walls or ceilings, and where the cable is fastened within 204 mm (8 inches) of the box measured along the sheath, and where the sheath extends through a cable knockout not less than 6.35 mm ($1/4$ inch), securing the cable to the box shall not be required. [314.17(C) Exception]

E3905.3.3 Conductor rating. Nonmetallic boxes shall be suitable for the lowest temperature-rated conductor entering the box. [314.17(C)]

**TABLE E3904.6(1) (Annex C, Table C.1)
MAXIMUM NUMBER OF CONDUCTORS IN ELECTRICAL METALLIC TUBING (EMT)^a**

TYPE CONDUCTORS	CONDUCTOR SIZE AWG/kcmil	TRADE SIZES (inches)					
		1/2	3/4	1	1 1/4	1 1/2	2
RHH, RHW, RHW-2	14	4	7	11	20	27	46
	12	3	6	9	17	23	38
	10	2	5	8	13	18	30
	8	1	2	4	7	9	16
	6	1	1	3	5	8	13
	4	1	1	2	4	6	10
	3	1	1	1	4	5	9
	2	1	1	1	3	4	7
	1	0	1	1	1	3	5
	1/0	0	1	1	1	2	4
	2/0	0	1	1	1	2	4
	3/0	0	0	1	1	1	3
4/0	0	0	1	1	1	3	
TW, THHW, THW, THW-2	14	8	15	25	43	58	96
	12	6	11	19	33	45	74
	10	5	8	14	24	33	55
	8	2	5	8	13	18	30
RHH ^a , RHW ^a , RHW-2 ^a	14	6	10	16	28	39	64
	12	4	8	13	23	31	51
	10	3	6	10	18	24	40
	8	1	4	6	10	14	24
RHH ^a , RHW ^a , RHW-2 ^a , TW, THW, THHW, THW-2	6	1	3	4	8	11	18
	4	1	1	3	6	8	13
	3	1	1	3	5	7	12
	2	1	1	2	4	6	10
	1	1	1	1	3	4	7
	1/0	0	1	1	2	3	6
	2/0	0	1	1	1	3	5
	3/0	0	1	1	1	2	4
4/0	0	0	1	1	1	3	
THHN, THWN, THWN-2	14	12	22	35	61	84	138
	12	9	16	26	45	61	101
	10	5	10	16	28	38	63
	8	3	6	9	16	22	36
	6	2	4	7	12	16	26
	4	1	2	4	7	10	16
	3	1	1	3	6	8	13
	2	1	1	3	5	7	11
	1	1	1	1	4	5	8
	1/0	1	1	1	3	4	7
	2/0	0	1	1	2	3	6
	3/0	0	1	1	1	3	5
4/0	0	1	1	1	2	4	
XHH, XHHW, XHHW-2	14	8	15	25	43	58	96
	12	6	11	19	33	45	74
	10	5	8	14	24	33	55
	8	2	5	8	13	18	30
	6	1	3	6	10	14	22
	4	1	2	4	7	10	16
	3	1	1	3	6	8	14
	2	1	1	3	5	7	11
	1	1	1	1	4	5	8
	1/0	1	1	1	3	4	7
	2/0	0	1	1	2	3	6
	3/0	0	1	1	1	3	5
4/0	0	1	1	1	2	4	

For Inch Pound Unit: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch.

a. Types RHW, and RHW-2 without outer covering.

b. Conduit sizes are American and are based on the diameter of the opening. A typical size American conduit is much larger than its nominal English size used in Jamaica because this is based on the external diameter of the conduit and thereby includes twice the shell thickness.

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TABLE E3904.6(2) (Annex C, Table C.2)
 MAXIMUM NUMBER OF CONDUCTORS IN ELECTRICAL NONMETALLIC TUBING (ENT)^a

TYPE LETTERS	CONDUCTOR SIZE AWG/kcmil	TRADE SIZES (inches)					
		1/2	3/4	1	1 1/4	1 1/2	2
RHH, RHW, RHW-2	14	3	6	10	19	26	43
	12	2	5	9	16	22	36
	10	1	4	7	13	17	29
	8	1	1	3	6	9	15
	6	1	1	3	5	7	12
	4	1	1	2	4	6	9
	3	1	1	1	3	5	8
	2	0	1	1	3	4	7
	1	0	1	1	1	3	5
	1/0	0	0	1	1	2	4
	2/0	0	0	1	1	1	3
3/0	0	0	1	1	1	3	
4/0	0	0	1	1	1	2	
TW, THHW, THW, THW-2	14	7	13	22	40	55	92
	12	5	10	17	31	42	71
	10	4	7	13	23	32	52
	8	1	4	7	13	17	29
RHH ^a , RHW ^a , RHW-2 ^a	14	4	8	15	27	37	61
	12	3	7	12	21	29	49
	10	3	5	9	17	23	38
	8	1	3	5	10	14	23
RHH ^a , RHW ^a , RHW-2 ^a , TW, THW, THHW, THW-2	6	1	2	4	7	10	17
	4	1	1	3	5	8	13
	3	1	1	2	5	7	11
	2	1	1	2	4	6	9
	1	0	1	1	3	4	6
	1/0	0	1	1	2	3	5
	2/0	0	1	1	1	3	5
	3/0	0	0	1	1	2	4
4/0	0	0	1	1	1	3	
THHN, THWN, THWN-2	14	10	18	32	58	80	132
	12	7	13	23	42	58	96
	10	4	8	15	26	36	60
	8	2	5	8	15	21	35
	6	1	3	6	11	15	25
	4	1	1	4	7	9	15
	3	1	1	3	5	8	13
	2	1	1	2	5	6	11
THHN, THWN, THWN-2	1	1	1	1	3	5	8
	1/0	0	1	1	3	4	7
	2/0	0	1	1	2	3	5
	3/0	0	1	1	1	3	4
	4/0	0	0	1	1	2	4
XHH, XHHW, XHHW-2	14	7	13	22	40	55	92
	12	5	10	17	31	42	71
	10	4	7	13	23	32	52
	8	1	4	7	13	17	29
	6	1	3	5	9	13	21
	4	1	1	4	7	9	15
	3	1	1	3	6	8	13
	2	1	1	2	5	6	11
	1	1	1	1	3	5	8
	1/0	0	1	1	3	4	7
	2/0	0	1	1	2	3	6
3/0	0	1	1	1	3	5	
4/0	0	0	1	1	2	4	

For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm.

- Types RHW, and RHW-2 without outer covering.

TABLE E3904.6(3) (Annex C, Table C.3)
 MAXIMUM NUMBER OF CONDUCTORS IN FLEXIBLE METALLIC CONDUIT (FMC)^a

TYPE CONDUCTORS	CONDUCTOR SIZE AWG/kcmil	TRADE SIZES (inches)					
		1/2	3/4	1	1 1/4	1 1/2	2
RHH, RHW, RHW-2	14	3	7	11	17	25	44
	12	3	6	9	14	21	37
	10	14	5	7	11	17	30
	8		2	4	6	9	15
	6	1	1	3	5	7	12
	4	1	1	2	4	5	10
	3	1	1	1	3	5	7
	2	1	1	1	3	4	7
	1	0	1	1	1	2	5
	1/0	0	1	1	1	2	4
	2/0	0	1	1	1	1	3
3/0	0	0	1	1	1	3	
TW, THHW, THW, THW-2	14	9	15	23	36	53	94
	12	7	11	18	28	41	72
	10	5	8	13	21	30	54
	8	3	5	7	11	17	30
RHH ^a , RHW ^a , RHW-2 ^a	14	6	10	15	24	35	62
	12	5	8	12	19	28	50
	10	4	6	10	15	22	39
	8	1	4	6	9	13	23
RHH ^a , RHW ^a , RHW-2 ^a , TW, THW, THHW, THW-2	6	1	3	4	7	10	18
	4	1	1	3	5	7	13
	3	1	1	3	4	6	11
	2	1	1	2	4	5	10
	1	1	1	1	2	4	7
	1/0	0	1	1	1	3	6
	2/0	0	1	1	1	3	5
	3/0	0	1	1	1	2	4
4/0	0	0	1	1	1	3	
4/0	0	0	1	1	1	2	
THHN, THWN, THWN-2	14	13	22	33	52	76	134
	12	9	16	24	38	56	98
	10	6	10	15	24	35	62
	8	3	6	9	14	20	35
THHN, THWN, THWN-2	6	2	4	6	10	14	25
	4	1	2	4	6	9	16
	3	1	1	3	5	7	13
	2	1	1	3	4	6	11
	1	1	1	1	3	4	8
	1/0	1	1	1	2	4	7
	2/0	0	1	1	1	3	6
	3/0	0	1	1	1	2	5
4/0	0	1	1	1	1	4	
XHH, XHHW, XHHW-2	14	9	15	23	36	53	94
	12	7	11	18	28	41	72
	10	5	8	13	21	30	54
	8	3	5	7	11	17	30
	6	1	3	5	8	12	22
	4	1	2	4	6	9	16
	3	1	1	3	5	7	13
	2	1	1	3	4	6	11
	1	1	1	1	3	5	8
	1/0	1	1	1	2	4	7
	2/0	0	1	1	2	3	6
3/0	0	1	1	1	3	5	
4/0	0	1	1	1	2	4	

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TYPE CONDUCTORS	CONDUCTOR SIZE mm ²	TRADE SIZES (millimetres)					
		19	25	32	38	51	57
Rubber insulated, heat resistant to 85° C, water resistant.	1.5	3	7	11	17	25	44
	2.5	3	6	9	14	21	37
	4	14	5	7	11	17	30
	6		2	4	6	9	15
	10	1	1	3	5	7	12
	16	1	1	2	4	5	10
	25	1	1	1	3	5	7
	2	1	1	1	3	4	7
	1	0	1	1	1	2	5
	1/0	0	1	1	1	2	4
2/0	0	1	1	1	1	3	
3/0	0	0	1	1	1	3	
TW, THHW, THW, THW-2	14	9	15	23	36	53	94
	12	7	11	18	28	41	72
	10	5	8	13	21	30	54
	8	3	5	7	11	17	30
RHH ^a , RHW ^a , RHW-2 ^a	14	6	10	15	24	35	62
	12	5	8	12	19	28	50
	10	4	6	10	15	22	39
	8	1	4	6	9	13	23
RHH ^a , RHW ^a , RHW-2 ^a , TW, THW, THHW, THW-2	6	1	3	4	7	10	18
	4	1	1	3	5	7	13
	3	1	1	3	4	6	11
	2	1	1	2	4	5	10
	1	1	1	1	2	4	7
	1/0	0	1	1	1	3	6
	2/0	0	1	1	1	3	5
	3/0	0	1	1	1	2	4
4/0	0	0	1	1	1	3	
4/0	0	0	1	1	1	2	
THHN, THWN, THWN-2	14	13	22	33	52	76	134
	12	9	16	24	38	56	98
	10	6	10	15	24	35	62
	8	3	6	9	14	20	35
THHN, THWN, THWN-2	6	2	4	6	10	14	25
	4	1	2	4	6	9	16
	3	1	1	3	5	7	13
	2	1	1	3	4	6	11
	1	1	1	1	3	4	8
	1/0	1	1	1	2	4	7
	2/0	0	1	1	1	3	6
	3/0	0	1	1	1	2	5
4/0	0	1	1	1	1	4	
XHH, XHHW, XHHW-2	14	9	15	23	36	53	94
	12	7	11	18	28	41	72
	10	5	8	13	21	30	54
	8	3	5	7	11	17	30
	6	1	3	5	8	12	22
	4	1	2	4	6	9	16
	3	1	1	3	5	7	13
	2	1	1	3	4	6	11
	1	1	1	1	3	5	8
	1/0	1	1	1	2	4	7
	2/0	0	1	1	2	3	6
	3/0	0	1	1	1	3	5
4/0	0	1	1	1	2	4	

For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm.

a. Types RHW, and RHW-2 without outer covering.

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TABLE E3904.6(4) (Annex C, Table C.4)
 MAXIMUM NUMBER OF CONDUCTORS IN AMERICAN INTERMEDIATE METALLIC CONDUIT (IMC)^a

TYPE LETTERS	CONDUCTOR SIZE AWG/kcmil	TRADE SIZES (inches)					
		1/2	3/4	1	1 1/4	1 1/2	2
RHH, RHW, RHW-2	14	4	8	13	22	30	49
	12	4	6	11	18	25	41
	10	3	5	8	15	20	33
	8	1	3	4	8	10	17
	6	1	1	3	6	8	14
	4	1	1	3	5	6	11
	3	1	1	2	4	6	9
	2	1	1	1	3	5	8
	1	0	1	1	2	3	5
	1/0	0	1	1	1	3	4
	2/0	0	1	1	1	2	4
	3/0	0	0	1	1	1	3
4/0	0	0	1	1	1	3	
TW, THHW, THW, THW-2	14	10	17	27	47	64	104
	12	7	13	21	36	49	80
	10	5	9	15	27	36	59
	8	3	5	8	15	20	33
RHH ^a , RHW ^a , RHW-2 ^a	14	6	11	18	31	42	69
	12	5	9	14	25	34	56
	10	4	7	11	19	26	43
	8	2	4	7	12	16	26
RHH ^a , RHW ^a , RHW-2 ^a , TW, THW, THHW, THW-2	6	1	3	5	9	12	20
	4	1	2	4	6	9	15
	3	1	1	3	6	8	13
	2	1	1	3	5	6	11
	1	1	1	1	3	4	7
	1/0	1	1	1	3	4	6
	2/0	0	1	1	2	3	5
	3/0	0	1	1	1	3	4
4/0	0	1	1	1	2	4	
THHN, THWN, THWN-2	14	14	24	39	68	91	149
	12	10	17	29	49	67	109
	10	6	11	18	31	42	68
	8	3	6	10	18	24	39
	6	2	4	7	13	17	28
	4	1	3	4	8	10	17
	3	1	2	4	6	9	15
	2	1	1	3	5	7	12
	1	1	1	2	4	5	9
	1/0	1	1	1	3	4	8
2/0	1	1	1	3	4	6	
THHN, THWN, THWN-2	3/0	0	1	1	2	3	5
	2/0	0	1	1	1	2	4
XHH, XHHW, XHHW-2	14	10	17	27	47	64	104
	12	7	13	21	36	49	80
	10	5	9	15	27	36	59
	8	3	5	8	15	20	33
	6	1	4	6	11	15	24
	4	1	3	4	8	11	18
	3	1	2	4	7	9	15
	2	1	1	3	5	7	12
	1	1	1	2	4	5	9
	1/0	1	1	1	3	5	8
	2/0	1	1	1	3	4	6
	3/0	0	1	1	2	3	5
4/0	0	1	1	1	2	4	

For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm.

- Types RHW, and RHW-2 without outer covering.

**TABLE E3904.6(5) (Annex C, Table C.5)
MAXIMUM NUMBER OF CONDUCTORS IN LIQUID-TIGHT FLEXIBLE NONMETALLIC CONDUIT (FNMC-B)^a**

TYPE CONDUCTORS	CONDUCTOR SIZE AWG/kcmil	TRADE SIZES (inches)						
		3/8	1/2	3/4	1	1 1/4	1 1/2	2
RHH, RHW, RHW-2	14	2	4	7	12	21	27	44
	12	1	3	6	10	17	22	36
	10	1	3	5	8	14	18	29
	8	1	1	2	4	7	9	1
	6	1	1	1	3	6	7	12
	4	0	1	1	2	4	6	9
	3	0	1	1	1	4	5	8
	2	0	1	1	1	3	4	7
	1	0	0	1	1	1	3	5
	1/0	0	0	1	1	1	2	4
	2/0	0	0	1	1	1	1	3
3/0	0	0	0	1	1	1	3	
4/0	0	0	0	1	1	1	2	
TW, THHW, THW, THW-2	14	5	9	15	25	44	57	93
	12	4	7	12	19	33	43	71
	10	3	5	9	14	25	32	53
	8	1	3	5	8	14	18	29
RHH ^a , RHW ^a , RGW-2 ^a	14	3	6	10	16	29	38	62
	12	3	5	8	13	23	30	50
	10	1	3	6	10	18	23	39
	8	1	1	4	6	11	14	23
RHH ^a , RHW ^a , RHW-2 ^a , TW, THW, THHW, THW-2	6	1	1	3	5	8	11	18
	4	1	1	1	3	6	8	13
	3	1	1	1	3	5	7	11
	2	0	1	1	2	4	6	9
	1	0	1	1	1	3	4	7
	1/0	0	0	1	1	2	3	6
	2/0	0	0	1	1	2	3	5
	3/0	0	0	1	1	1	2	4
4/0	0	0	0	1	1	1	3	
THHN, THWN, THWN-2	14	8	13	22	36	63	81	133
	12	5	9	16	26	46	59	97
	10	3	6	10	16	29	37	61
	8	1	3	6	9	16	21	35
THHN, THWN, THWN-2	6	1	2	4	7	12	15	25
	4	1	1	2	4	7	9	15
	3	1	1	1	3	6	8	13
	2	1	1	1	3	5	7	11
	1	0	1	1	1	4	5	8
	1/0	0	1	1	1	3	4	7
	2/0	0	0	1	1	2	3	6
	3/0	0	0	1	1	1	3	5
4/0	0	0	1	1	1	2	4	
XHH, XHHW, XHHW-2	14	5	9	15	25	44	57	93
	12	4	7	12	19	33	43	71
	10	3	5	9	14	25	32	53
	8	1	3	5	8	14	18	29
	6	1	1	3	6	10	13	22
	4	1	1	2	4	7	9	16
	3	1	1	1	3	6	8	13
	2	1	1	1	3	5	7	11
	1	0	1	1	1	4	5	8
	1/0	0	1	1	1	3	4	7
	2/0	0	0	1	1	2	3	6
3/0	0	0	1	1	1	3	5	
4/0	0	0	1	1	1	2	4	

For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm.

a. Types RHW, and RHW-2 without outer covering.

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TABLE E3904.6(6) (Annex C, Table C.6)
 MAXIMUM NUMBER OF CONDUCTORS IN LIQUID-TIGHT FLEXIBLE NONMETALLIC CONDUIT (FNMC-A)^a

TYPE LETTERS	CONDUCTOR SIZE AWG/kcmil	TRADE SIZES (inches)						
		3/8	1/2	3/4	1	1 1/4	1 1/2	2
RHH, RHW, RHW-2	14	2	4	7	11	20	27	45
	12	1	3	6	9	17	23	38
	10	1	3	5	8	13	18	30
	8	1	1	2	4	7	9	16
	6	1	1	1	3	5	7	13
	4	0	1	1	2	4	6	10
	3	0	1	1	1	4	5	8
	2	0	1	1	1	3	4	7
	1	0	0	1	1	1	3	5
	1/0	0	0	1	1	1	2	4
	2/0	0	0	1	1	1	1	4
3/0	0	0	0	1	1	1	3	
4/0	0	0	0	1	1	1	3	
TW, THHW, THW, THW-2	14	5	9	15	24	43	58	96
	12	4	7	12	19	33	44	74
	10	3	5	9	14	24	33	55
	8	1	3	5	8	13	18	30
RHH ^a , RHW ^a , RHW-2 ^a	14	3	6	10	16	28	38	64
	12	3	4	8	13	23	31	51
	10	1	3	6	10	18	24	40
	8	1	1	4	6	10	14	24
RHH ^a , RHW ^a , RHW-2 ^a , TW, THW, THHW, THW-2	6	1	1	3	4	8	11	18
	4	1	1	1	3	6	8	13
	3	1	1	1	3	5	7	11
	2	0	1	1	2	4	6	10
	1	0	1	1	1	3	4	7
RHH ^a , RHW ^a , RHW-2 ^a , TW, THW, THHW, THW-2	1/0	0	0	1	1	2	3	6
	2/0	0	0	1	1	1	3	5
	3/0	0	0	1	1	1	2	4
	4/0	0	0	0	1	1	1	3
THHN, THWN, THWN-2	14	8	13	22	35	62	83	137
	12	5	9	16	25	45	60	100
	10	3	6	10	16	28	38	63
	8	1	3	6	9	16	22	36
	6	1	2	4	6	12	16	26
	4	1	1	2	4	7	9	16
	3	1	1	1	3	6	8	13
	2	1	1	1	3	5	7	11
	1	0	1	1	1	4	5	8
	1/0	0	1	1	1	3	4	7
	2/0	0	0	1	1	2	3	6
3/0	0	0	1	1	1	3	5	
4/0	0	0	1	1	1	2	4	
XHH, XHHW, XHHW-2	14	5	9	15	24	43	58	96
	12	4	7	12	19	33	44	74
	10	3	5	9	14	24	33	55
	8	1	3	5	8	13	18	30
	6	1	1	3	5	10	13	22
	4	1	1	2	4	7	10	16
	3	1	1	1	3	6	8	14
	2	1	1	1	3	5	7	11
	1	0	1	1	1	4	5	8
XHH, XHHW, XHHW-2	1/0	0	1	1	1	3	4	7
	2/0	0	0	1	1	2	3	6
	3/0	0	0	1	1	1	3	5
	4/0	0	0	1	1	1	2	4

For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm.

1. Types RHW, and RHW-2 without outer covering.

TABLE E3904.6(7) (Annex C, Table C.7)
MAXIMUM NUMBER OF AWG CONDUCTORS IN LIQUID-TIGHT FLEXIBLE METAL CONDUIT (LFMC)^a

TYPE LETTERS	CONDUCTOR SIZE AWG/kcmil	TRADE SIZES (inches)					
		1/2	3/4	1	1 1/4	1 1/2	2
RHH, RHW, RHW-2	14	4	7	12	21	27	44
	12	3	6	10	17	22	36
	10	3	5	8	14	18	29
	8	1	2	4	7	9	15
	6	1	1	3	6	7	12
	4	1	1	2	4	6	9
	3	1	1	1	4	5	8
	2	1	1	1	3	4	7
	1	0	1	1	1	3	5
	1/0	0	1	1	1	2	4
	2/0	0	1	1	1	1	3
	3/0	0	0	1	1	1	3
4/0	0	0	1	1	1	2	
TW, THHW, THW, THW-2	14	9	15	25	44	57	93
	12	7	12	19	33	43	71
	10	5	9	14	25	32	53
	8	3	5	8	14	18	29
RHH ^a , RHW ^a , RHW-2 ^a , THHW, THW, THW-2	14	6	10	16	29	38	62
	12	5	8	13	23	30	50
	10	3	6	10	18	23	39
	8	1	4	6	11	14	23
RHH ^a , RHW ^a , RHW-2 ^a , TW, THW, THHW, THW-2	6	1	3	5	8	11	18
	4	1	1	3	6	8	13
	3	1	1	3	5	7	11
	2	1	1	2	4	6	9
	1	1	1	1	3	4	7
	1/0	0	1	1	2	3	6
	2/0	0	1	1	2	3	5
	3/0	0	1	1	1	2	4
4/0	0	0	1	1	1	3	
THHN, THWN, THWN-2	14	13	22	36	63	81	133
	12	9	16	26	46	59	97
	10	6	10	16	29	37	61
	8	3	6	9	16	21	35
	6	2	4	7	12	15	25
	4	1	2	4	7	9	15
	3	1	1	3	6	8	13
	2	1	1	3	5	7	11
	1	1	1	1	4	5	8
	1/0	1	1	1	3	4	7
	2/0	0	1	1	2	3	6
	3/0	0	1	1	1	3	5
4/0	0	1	1	1	2	4	
XHH, XHHW, XHHW-2	14	9	15	25	44	57	93
	12	7	12	19	33	43	71
	10	5	9	14	25	32	53
	8	3	5	8	14	18	29
XHH, XHHW, XHHW-2	6	1	3	6	10	13	22
	4	1	2	4	7	9	16
	3	1	1	3	6	8	13
	2	1	1	3	5	7	11
	1	1	1	1	4	5	8
	1/0	1	1	1	3	4	7
	2/0	0	1	1	2	3	6
	3/0	0	1	1	1	3	5
4/0	0	1	1	1	2	4	

For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm.

1.1 Types RHW, and RHW-2 without outer covering.

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TABLE E3904.6(8) (Annex C, Table C.8)
 MAXIMUM NUMBER OF AWG CONDUCTORS IN RIGID METAL CONDUIT (RMC)^a

TYPE LETTERS	CONDUCTOR SIZE AWG/kcmil	TRADE SIZES (inches)					
		1/2	3/4	1	1 1/4	1 1/2	2
RHH, RHW, RHW-2	14	4	7	12	21	28	46
	12	3	6	10	17	23	38
	10	3	5	8	14	19	31
	8	1	2	4	7	10	16
	6	1	1	3	6	8	13
	4	1	1	2	4	6	10
	3	1	1	2	4	5	9
	2	1	1	1	3	4	7
	1	0	1	1	1	3	5
	1/0	0	1	1	1	2	4
	2/0	0	1	1	1	2	4
3/0	0	0	1	1	1	3	
4/0	0	0	1	1	1	3	
TW, THHW, THW, THW-2	14	9	15	25	44	59	98
	12	7	12	19	33	45	75
	10	5	9	14	25	34	56
	8	3	5	8	14	19	31
RHH ^a , RHW ^a , RHW-2 ^a	14	6	10	17	29	39	65
	12	5	8	13	23	32	52
	10	3	6	10	18	25	41
	8	1	4	6	11	15	24
RHH ^a , RHW ^a , RHW-2 ^a , TW, THW, THHW, THW-2	6	1	3	5	8	11	18
	4	1	1	3	6	8	14
	3	1	1	3	5	7	12
	2	1	1	2	4	6	10
	1	1	1	1	3	4	7
	1/0	0	1	1	2	3	6
	2/0	0	1	1	2	3	5
	3/0	0	1	1	1	2	4
4/0	0	0	1	1	1	3	
THHN, THWN, THWN-2	14	13	22	36	63	85	140
	12	9	16	26	46	62	102
	10	6	10	17	29	39	64
	8	3	6	9	16	22	37
	6	2	4	7	12	16	27
	4	1	2	4	7	10	16
	3	1	1	3	6	8	14
	2	1	1	3	5	7	11
	1	1	1	1	4	5	8
THHN, THWN, THWN-2	1/0	1	1	1	3	4	7
	2/0	0	1	1	2	3	6
	3/0	0	1	1	1	3	5
	4/0	0	1	1	1	2	4
XHH, XHHW, XHHW-2	14	9	15	25	44	59	98
	12	7	12	19	33	45	75
	10	5	9	14	25	34	56
	8	3	5	8	14	19	31
	6	1	3	6	10	14	23
	4	1	2	4	7	10	16
	3	1	1	3	6	8	14
	2	1	1	3	5	7	12
	1	1	1	1	4	5	9
	1/0	1	1	1	3	4	7
	2/0	0	1	1	2	3	6
3/0	0	1	1	1	3	5	
4/0	0	1	1	1	2	4	

For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm.

a. Types RHW, and RHW-2 without outer covering.

TABLE E3904.6(9) (Annex C, Table C.9)
 MAXIMUM NUMBER OF CONDUCTORS IN RIGID PVC CONDUIT, SCHEDULE 80 (PVC-80)^a

TYPE LETTERS	CONDUCTOR SIZE AWG/kcmil	TRADE SIZES (inches)					
		1/2	3/4	1	1 1/4	1 1/2	2
RHH, RHW, RHW-2	14	3	5	9	17	23	39
	12	2	4	7	14	19	32
	10	1	3	6	11	15	26
	8	1	1	3	6	8	13
	6	1	1	2	4	6	11
	4	1	1	1	3	5	8
	3	0	1	1	3	4	7
	2	0	1	1	3	4	6
	1	0	1	1	1	2	4
	1/0	0	0	1	1	1	3
	2/0	0	0	1	1	1	3
	3/0	0	0	1	1	1	3
	4/0	0	0	0	1	1	2
TW, THHW, THW, THW-2	14	6	11	20	35	49	82
	12	5	9	15	27	38	63
	10	3	6	11	20	28	47
	8	1	3	6	11	15	26
RHH ^a , RHW ^a , RHW-2 ^a	14	4	8	13	23	32	55
	12	3	6	10	19	26	44
	10	2	5	8	15	20	34
	8	1	3	5	9	12	20
RHH ^a , RHW ^a , RHW-2 ^a , TW, THW, THHW, THW-2	6	1	1	3	7	9	16
	4	1	1	3	5	7	12
	3	1	1	2	4	6	10
	2	1	1	1	3	5	8
	1	0	1	1	2	3	6
	1/0	0	1	1	1	3	5
RHH ^a , RHW ^a , RHW-2 ^a , TW, THW, THHW, THW-2	2/0	0	1	1	1	2	4
	3/0	0	0	1	1	1	3
	4/0	0	0	1	1	1	3
THHN, THWN, THWN-2	14	9	17	28	51	70	118
	12	6	12	20	37	51	86
	10	4	7	13	23	32	54
	8	2	4	7	13	18	31
	6	1	3	5	9	13	22
	4	1	1	3	6	8	14
	3	1	1	3	5	7	12
	2	1	1	2	4	6	10
	1	0	1	1	3	4	7
	1/0	0	1	1	2	3	6
	2/0	0	1	1	1	3	5
	3/0	0	1	1	1	2	4
	4/0	0	0	1	1	1	3
XHH, XHHW, XHHW-2	14	6	11	20	35	49	82
	12	5	9	15	27	38	63
	10	3	6	11	20	28	47
	8	1	3	6	11	15	26
	6	1	2	4	118	11	19

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TABLE E3904.6(9) (Annex C, Table C.9)—continued
 MAXIMUM NUMBER OF CONDUCTORS IN RIGID PVC CONDUIT, SCHEDULE 80 (PVC-80)^a

TYPE LETTERS	CONDUCTOR SIZE AWG/kcmil	TRADE SIZES (inches)					
		1/2	3/4	1	1 1/4	1 1/2	2
XHH, XHHW, XHHW-2	14	6	11	20	35	49	82
	12	5	9	15	27	38	63
	10	3	6	11	20	28	47
	8	1	3	6	11	15	26
	6	1	2	4	8	11	19
	4	1	1	3	6	8	14
	3	1	1	3	5	7	12
	2	1	1	2	4	6	10
	1	0	1	1	3	4	7
	1/0	0	1	1	2	3	6
	2/0	0	1	1	1	3	5
	3/0	0	1	1	1	2	4
	4/0	0	0	1	1	1	3

For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm.

- Types RHW, and RHW-2 without outer covering.

**TABLE E3904.6(10) (Annex C, Table C.10)
MAXIMUM NUMBER OF CONDUCTORS IN RIGID PVC CONDUIT SCHEDULE 40 (PVC-40)^a**

TYPE LETTERS	CONDUCTOR SIZE AWG/kcmil	TRADE SIZES (inches)					
		1/2	3/4	1	1 1/4	1 1/2	2
RHH, RHW, RHW-2	14	4	7	11	20	27	45
	12	3	5	9	16	22	37
	10	2	4	7	13	18	30
	8	1	2	4	7	9	15
	6	1	1	3	5	7	12
	4	1	1	2	4	6	10
	3	1	1	1	4	5	8
	2	1	1	1	3	4	7
	1	0	1	1	1	3	5
	1/0	0	1	1	1	2	4
	2/0	0	0	1	1	1	3
	3/0	0	0	1	1	1	3
4/0	0	0	1	1	1	2	
TW, THHW, THW, THW-2	14	8	14	24	42	57	94
	12	6	11	18	32	44	72
	10	4	8	13	24	32	54
	8	2	4	7	13	18	30
RHH ^a , RHW ^a , RHW-2 ^a	14	5	9	16	28	38	63
	12	4	8	13	22	30	50
	10	3	6	10	17	24	39
	8	1	3	6	10	14	23
RHH ^a , RHW ^a , RHW-2 ^a , TW, THW, THHW, THW-2	6	1	2	4	8	11	18
	4	1	1	3	6	8	13
	3	1	1	3	5	7	11
	2	1	1	2	4	6	10
	1	0	1	1	3	4	7
	1/0	0	1	1	2	3	6
	2/0	0	1	1	1	3	5
	3/0	0	1	1	1	2	4
4/0	0	0	1	1	1	3	
THHN, THWN, THWN-2	14	11	21	34	60	82	135
	12	8	15	25	43	59	99
	10	5	9	15	27	37	62
	8	3	5	9	16	21	36
THHN, THWN, THWN-2	6	1	4	6	11	15	26
	4	1	2	4	7	9	16
	3	1	1	3	6	8	13
	2	1	1	3	5	7	11
	1	1	1	1	3	5	8
	1/0	1	1	1	3	4	7
	2/0	0	1	1	2	3	6
	3/0	0	1	1	1	3	5
4/0	0	1	1	1	2	4	
XHH, XHHW, XHHW-2	14	8	14	24	42	57	94
	12	6	11	18	32	44	72
	10	4	8	13	24	32	54
	8	2	4	7	13	18	30
	6	1	3	5	10	13	22
	4	1	2	4	7	9	16
	3	1	1	3	6	8	13
	2	1	1	3	5	7	11
	1	1	1	1	3	5	8
	1/0	1	1	1	3	4	7
	2/0	0	1	1	2	3	6
	3/0	0	1	1	1	3	5
4/0	0	1	1	1	2	4	

For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm.

a. Types RHW, and RHW-2 without outer covering.

E3905.4 Minimum depth of boxes for outlets, devices, and utilization equipment. Outlet and device boxes shall have an approved depth to allow equipment installed within them to be mounted properly and without the likelihood of damage to conductors within the box. [314.24]

E3905.4.1 Outlet boxes without enclosed devices or utilization equipment. Outlet boxes that do not enclose devices or utilization equipment shall have an internal depth of not less than 12.5 mm ($\frac{1}{2}$ inch). [314.24(A)]

E3905.4.2 Utilization equipment. Outlet and device boxes that enclose devices or utilization equipment shall have a minimum internal depth that accommodates the rearward projection of the equipment and the size of the conductors that supply the equipment. The internal depth shall include that of any extension boxes, plaster rings, or raised covers. The internal depth shall comply with all of the applicable provisions that follow. [314.24(B)]

Exception: Utilization equipment that is listed to be installed with specified boxes.

- i. Large equipment. Boxes that enclose devices or utilization equipment that projects more than 48 mm ($1\frac{7}{8}$ inches) rearward from the mounting plane of the box shall have a depth that is not less than

Conductors 14 AWG or 1.5 mm² metric and smaller. Boxes that enclose devices or utilization equipment supplied by 14 AWG or 1.5 mm² metric or smaller conductors shall have a depth that is not less than 24 mm ($\frac{15}{16}$ inch) [314.27(A)]

E3905.6.1 Vertical surface outlets. Boxes used at luminaire or lampholder outlets in or on a vertical surface shall be identified and marked on the interior of the box to indicate the maximum weight of the luminaire or lamp holder that is permitted to be supported by the box if other than 22.7 kg (50 pounds). [314.27(A)(1)]

Exception: A vertically mounted luminaire or lampholder weighing not more than 2.7 kg (6 pounds) shall be permitted to be supported on other boxes or plaster rings that are secured to other boxes, provided that the luminaire or its supporting yoke is secured to the box with not fewer than two No. 6 or larger screws. [314.27(A)(1) Exception]

E3905.6.2 Ceiling outlets. For outlets used exclusively for lighting, the box shall be designed or installed so that a luminaire or lampholder can be attached. Such boxes shall be capable of supporting a luminaire weighing up to 22.7 kg (50 pounds). A luminaire that weighs more than 22.7 kg (50 pounds) shall be supported independently of the outlet box, unless the outlet box is listed for not less than the

weight to be supported. The interior of the box shall be

the depth of the equipment plus 6.35 mm ($\frac{1}{4}$ inch). [314.24(B)(1)]

- ii. Conductors larger than 4 AWG or 16 mm² metric. Boxes that enclose devices or utilization equipment supplied by conductors larger than 4 AWG or 16 mm² metric shall be identified for their specific function. [314.24(B)(2)]
- iii. Conductors 8, 6, or 4 AWG or 6 mm², 10 mm² and 16 mm² metric. Boxes that enclose devices or utilization equipment supplied by 8, 6, or 4 AWG or 6 mm², 10 mm² and 16 mm² metric conductors shall have an internal depth that is not less than 52.5 mm ($2\frac{1}{16}$ inches). [314.24(B)(3)]
- iv. Conductors 12 or 10 AWG or 2.5 mm² and 4 mm² metric. Boxes that enclose devices or utilization equipment supplied by 12 or 10 AWG or 2.5 mm² and 4 mm² metric conductors shall have an internal depth that is not less than 30 mm ($1\frac{3}{16}$ inches). Where the equipment projects rearward from the mounting plane of the box by more than 25 mm (1 inch), the box shall have a depth that is not less than that of the equipment plus 6.35 mm ($\frac{1}{4}$ inch). [314.24(B)(4)]

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marked by the manufacturer to indicate the maximum weight that the box is permitted to support. [314.27(A)(2)]

E3905.7 Floor boxes. Where outlet boxes for receptacles are installed in the floor, such boxes shall be listed specifically for that application. [314.27(B)]

E3905.8 Boxes at fan outlets. Outlet boxes and outlet box systems used as the sole support of ceiling-suspended fans (paddle) shall be marked by their manufacturer as suitable for this purpose and shall not support ceiling-suspended fans (paddle) that weigh more than 31.8 kg (70 pounds). For outlet boxes and outlet box systems designed to support ceiling-suspended fans (paddle) that weigh more than 15.9 kg (35 pounds), the required marking shall include the maximum weight to be supported.

Where spare, separately switched, ungrounded conductors are provided to a ceiling-mounted outlet box and such box is in a location acceptable for a ceiling-suspended (paddle) fan, the outlet box or outlet box system shall be listed for sole support of a ceiling-suspended (paddle) fan. [314.27(C)]

E3905.9 Utilization equipment. Boxes used for the support of utilization equipment other than ceiling-suspended (paddle) fans shall meet the requirements of Sections E3905.6.1 and E3905.6.2 for the support of a luminaire that is the same

inch)

size and weight. [314.27(D)]

Exception: Utilization equipment weighing not

E3905.5 Boxes enclosing flush-mounted devices.

Boxes enclosing flush-mounted devices shall be of such design that the devices are completely enclosed at the back and all sides and shall provide support for the devices. Screws for supporting the box shall not be used for attachment of the device contained therein. (314.19)

E3905.6 Boxes at luminaire outlets. Outlet boxes used at luminaire or lampholder outlets shall be designed for the sup-

more than

- 2.7 Kg (6 pounds) shall be permitted to be supported on other boxes or plaster rings that are secured to other boxes, provided that the equipment or its supporting yoke is secured to the box with not fewer than two No. 6 or larger screws. [314.27(D) Exception]

E3905.10 Conduit bodies and junction, pull and outlet boxes to be accessible. Conduit bodies and junction, pull and outlet boxes shall be installed so that the wiring therein can be accessed without removing any part of the building or

structure or, in underground circuits, without excavating sidewalks, paving, earth or other substance used to establish the finished grade. (314.29)

Exception: Boxes covered by gravel, light aggregate or noncohesive granulated soil shall be listed for the application, and the box locations shall be effectively identified and access shall be provided for excavation. (314.29 Exception)

E3905.11 Damp or wet locations. In damp or wet locations, boxes, conduit bodies and fittings shall be placed or equipped so as to prevent moisture from entering or accumulating within the box, conduit body or fitting. Boxes, conduit bodies and fittings installed in wet locations shall be listed for use in wet locations.

Where drainage openings are installed in the field in boxes or conduit bodies listed for use in damp or wet locations, such openings shall be approved, not smaller than 3 mm (1/8 inch) and not larger than 6.35 mm (1/4 inch). For listed drain fittings, larger openings are permitted where installed in the field in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions. (314.15)

E3905.12 Number of conductors in outlet, device, and junction boxes, and conduit bodies. Boxes and conduit bodies shall be of an approved size to provide free space for all enclosed conductors. In no case shall the volume of the box, as calculated in Section E3905.12.1, be less than the box fill calculation as calculated in Section E3905.12.2. The minimum volume for conduit bodies shall be as calculated in Sec-

tion E3905.12.3. The provisions of this section shall not apply to terminal housings supplied with motors or generators. (314.16)

E3905.12.1 Box volume calculations. The volume of a wiring enclosure (box) shall be the total volume of the assembled sections, and, where used, the space provided by plaster rings, domed covers, extension rings, etc., that are marked with their volume in cubic centimeters (inches) or are made from boxes the dimensions of which are listed in Table E3905.12.1. Where a box is provided with one or more securely installed barriers, the volume shall be apportioned to each of the resulting spaces. Each barrier, if not marked with its volume, shall be considered to take up to 8.2 cm³ (a cubic inch) if metal, and 16.4 cm³ (1.0 cubic inch) if nonmetallic. [314.16(A)]

E3905.12.1.1 Standard boxes. The volumes of standard boxes that are not marked with 8.2 cm³ (a cubic-inch) capacity shall be as given in Table E3905.12.1. [314.16(A)(1)]

E3905.12.1.2 Other boxes. Boxes 1,640 cm³ (100 cubic inches) or less, other than those described in Table E3905.12.1, and nonmetallic boxes shall be durably and legibly marked by the manufacturer with their cubic capacity. Boxes described in Table E3905.12.1 that have a larger cubic capacity than is designated in the table shall be permitted to have their cubic capacity marked as required by this section. [314.16(A)(2)]

**TABLE E3905.12.1 [Table 314.16(A)]
MAXIMUM NUMBER OF AWG & METRIC CONDUCTORS IN STANDARD METAL BOXES^a**

BOX DIMENSIONS (trade size {width x depth} and type) millimetres (inches)	MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE VOLUMETRIC CAPACITY cm ³ (inches ³)	MAXIMUM NUMBER OF CONDUCTORS ^a						
		18 Awg	16 Awg	14 Awg	12 Awg	10 Awg	8 Awg	6 Awg
102 x 32 (4 x 1 1/4) round or octagonal	205 (12.5)	8	7	6	5	5	4	2
102 x 38 (4 x 1 1/2) round or octagonal	254 (15.5)	10	8	7	6	6	5	3
102 x 54 (4 x 2 1/8) round or octagonal	352 (21.5)	14	12	10	9	8	7	4
102 x 32 (4 x 1 1/4) square	295 (18.0)	12	10	9	8	7	6	3
102 x 38 (4 x 1 1/2) square	344 (21.0)	14	12	10	9	8	7	4
102 x 54 (4 x 2 1/8) square	497 (30.3)	20	17	15	13	12	10	6
119 x 32 (4 11/16 x 1 1/4) square	418 (25.5)	17	14	12	11	10	8	5
119 x 38 (4 11/16 x 1 1/2) square	483 (29.5)	19	16	14	13	11	9	5
119 x 54 (4 11/16 x 2 1/8) square	688 (42.0)	28	24	21	18	16	14	8
76 x 51 x 38 (3 x 2 x 1 1/2) device	123 (7.5)	5	4	3	3	3	2	1
76 x 51 x 51 (3 x 2 x 2) device	164 (10.0)	6	5	5	4	4	3	2
76 x 51 x 57 (3 x 2 x 2 1/4) device	172 (10.5)	7	6	5	4	4	3	2
76 x 51 x 63.5 (3 x 2 x 2 1/2) device	205 (12.5)	8	7	6	5	5	4	2
76 x 51 x 70 (3 x 2 x 2 3/4) device	229 (14.0)	9	8	7	6	5	4	2
76 x 51 x 89 (3 x 2 x 3 1/2) device	295 (18.0)	12	10	9	8	7	6	3
102 x 54 x 38 (4 x 2 1/8 x 1 1/2) device	169 (10.3)	6	5	5	4	4	3	2
102 x 54 x 48 (4 x 2 1/8 x 1 7/8) device	213 (13.0)	8	7	6	5	5	4	2
102 x 54 x 54 (4 x 2 1/8 x 2 1/8) device	238 (14.5)	9	8	7	6	5	4	2
95 x 51 x 63.5 (3 3/4 x 2 x 2 1/2) masonry box/ gang	229 (14.0)	9	8	7	6	5	4	2
95 x 51 x 89 (3 3/4 x 2 x 3 1/2) masonry box/ gang	344 (21.0)	14	12	10	9	8	7	4

BOX DIMENSIONS (trade size (width x depth) and type) (millimetres)	MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE VOLUMETRIC CAPACITY (cubic centimetres)	MAXIMUM NUMBER OF CONDUCTORS ^a						
		Metric Conductor Size in mm ²						
		0.75 mm ²	1 mm ²	1.5 mm ²	2.5 mm ²	4 mm ²	6 mm ²	10 mm ²
100 × 32 round or octagonal	205	8	7	6	5	5	4	2
100 × 38 round or octagonal	254	10	8	7	6	6	5	3
100 × 54 round or octagonal	352	14	12	10	9	8	7	4
100 × 32 square	295	12	10	9	8	7	6	3
100 × 38 square	344	14	12	10	9	8	7	4
100 × 57 square	497	20	17	15	13	12	10	6
119 × 32 square	418	17	14	12	11	10	8	5
119 × 38 square	484	19	16	14	13	11	9	5
119 × 57 square	688	28	24	21	18	16	14	8
76 × 51 × 38 device	123	5	4	3	3	3	2	1
76 × 51 × 51 device	164	6	5	5	4	4	3	2
76 × 51 × 57 device	172	7	6	5	4	4	3	2
76 × 51 × 64 device	205	8	7	6	5	5	4	2
76 × 51 × 70 device	229	9	8	7	6	5	4	2
76 × 51 × 89 device	295	12	10	9	8	7	6	3
100 × 54 × 38 device	169	6	5	5	4	4	3	2
100 × 54 × 48 device	213	8	7	6	5	5	4	2
100 × 54 × 54 device	238	9	8	7	6	5	4	2
95 × 51 × 64 masonry box/gang	229	9	8	7	6	5	4	2
95 × 51 × 89 masonry box/gang	344	14	12	10	9	8	7	4

For Inch Pound Units: 1 = 0.03937 inch, 1 cm³ = 0.061 cubic inch.

a. Where volume allowances are not required by Sections E3905.12.2.2 through E3905.12.2.5.

E3905.12.2 Box fill calculations. The volumes in Section E3905.12.2.1 through Section E3905.12.2.5, as applicable, shall be added together. No allowance shall be required for small fittings such as locknuts and bushings. Each space within a box installed with a barrier shall be calculated separately. [314.16(B)]

E3905.12.2.1 Conductor fill. Each conductor that originates outside the box and terminates or is spliced within the box shall be counted once, and each conductor that passes through the box without splice or termination shall be counted once. Each loop or coil of unbroken conductor having a length equal to or greater than twice that required for free conductors by Section E3406.11.3, shall be counted twice. The conductor fill, in cubic centimetres (cubic inches), shall be computed using Table E3905.12.2.1. A conductor, no part of which leaves the box, shall not be counted. [314.16(B)(1)]

Exception: An equipment grounding conductor or not more than four fixture wires smaller than No. 14, or both, shall be permitted to be omitted from the calculations where such conductors enter a box from a domed fixture or similar canopy and terminate within that box. [314.16(B)(1) Exception]

TABLE E3905.12.2.1 [Table 314.16(B)] VOLUME ALLOWANCE REQUIRED PER CONDUCTOR

SIZE OF AWG CONDUCTOR	FREE SPACE WITHIN BOX FOR EACH AWG CONDUCTOR (cubic inches)
18 AWG	1.50
16 AWG	1.75
14 AWG	2.00
12 AWG	2.25
10 AWG	2.50
8 AWG	3.00
6 AWG	5.00

SIZE OF METRIC CONDUCTOR	FREE SPACE WITHIN BOX FOR EACH METRIC CONDUCTOR (cubic centimetres)
0.75 mm ²	24.6
1 mm ²	28.7
1.5 mm ²	32.8
2.5 mm ²	36.9
4 mm ²	40.6
6 mm ²	49.4
10 mm ²	82.0

For Inch Pound Units: 1 cm³ = 0.061 cubic inch.

E3905.12.2.2 Clamp fill. Where one or more internal cable clamps, whether factory or field supplied, are present in the box, a single volume allowance in accordance with Table E3905.12.2.1 shall be made based on the largest conductor present in the box. An allowance shall not be required for a cable connector having its clamping mechanism outside of the box.

A clamp assembly that incorporates a cable termination for the cable conductors shall be listed and marked for use with specific nonmetallic boxes. Conductors that originate within the clamp assembly shall be included in conductor fill calculations provided in Section E3905.12.2.1 as though they entered from outside of the box. The clamp assembly shall not require a fill allowance, but, the volume of the portion of the assembly that remains within the box after installation shall be excluded from the box volume as marked in accordance with Section E3905.12.1.2. [314.16(B)(2)]

E3905.12.2.3 Support fittings fill. Where one or more fixture studs or hickey are present in the box, a single volume allowance in accordance with Table

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E3905.12.2.1 shall be made for each type of fitting based on the largest conductor present in the box. [314.16(B)(3)]

E3905.12.2.4 Device or equipment fill. For each yoke or strap containing one or more devices or equipment, a double volume allowance in accordance with Table E3905.12.2.1 shall be made for each yoke or strap based on the largest conductor connected to a device(s) or equipment supported by that yoke or strap. For a device or utilization equipment that is wider than a single 51 mm (2-inch) device box as described in Table E3905.12.1, a double volume allowance shall be made for each ganged portion required for mounting of the device or equipment. [314.16(B)(4)]

E3905.12.2.5 Equipment grounding conductor fill. Where one or more equipment local grounding conductors or equipment bonding jumpers enters a box, a single volume allowance in accordance with Table E3905.12.2.1 shall be made based on the largest equipment local grounding conductor or equipment bonding jumper present in the box. [314.16(B)(5)]

E3905.12.3 Conduit bodies. Conduit bodies enclosing 6 AWG or 10 mm² metric conductors or smaller, other than short-radius conduit bodies, shall have a cross-sectional area not less than twice the cross-sectional area of the largest conduit or tubing to which they can be attached. The maximum number of conductors permitted shall be the maximum number permitted by Section E3904.6 for the conduit to which it is attached. [314.16(C)(1)]

E3905.12.3.1 Splices, taps or devices. Only those conduit bodies that are durably and legibly marked by the manufacturer with their cubic inch capacity shall be permitted to contain splices, taps or devices. The maximum number of conductors shall be calculated using the same procedure for similar conductors in other than standard boxes. [314.16(C)(2)]

E3905.12.3.2 Short-radius conduit bodies. Conduit bodies such as capped elbows and service-entrance elbows that enclose conductors 6 AWG or 10 mm² metric or smaller and that are only intended to enable the installation of the raceway and the contained conductors, shall not contain splices, taps, or devices and shall be of sufficient size to provide free space for all conductors enclosed in the conduit body. [314.16(C)(3)]

SECTION E3906 INSTALLATION OF BOXES,

CONDUIT BODIES AND FITTINGS

E3906.1 Conductors entering boxes, conduit bodies or fittings. Conductors entering boxes, conduit bodies or fittings shall be protected from abrasion. (314.17)

E3906.1.1 Insulated fittings. Where raceways contain 4 AWG or 16 mm² or larger insulated circuit conductors and these conductors enter a cabinet, box enclosure, or raceway, the conductors shall be protected by an identified fitting providing a smoothly rounded insulating surface, unless the conductors are separated from the fitting or raceway by

identified insulating material securely fastened in place.
[300.4(G)]

Exception: Where threaded hubs or bosses that are an integral part of a cabinet, box enclosure, or raceway provide a smoothly rounded or flared entry for conductors. [300.4(G) Exception]

Conduit bushings constructed wholly of insulating material shall not be used to secure a fitting or raceway. The insulating fitting or insulating material shall have a temperature rating not less than the insulation temperature rating of the installed conductors. [330.4(G)]

E3906.2 Openings. Openings through which conductors enter shall be closed in an approved manner. [314.17(A)]

E3906.3 Metal boxes and conduit bodies. Where raceway or cable is installed with metal boxes, or conduit bodies, the raceway or cable shall be secured to such boxes and conduit bodies. Where nonmetallic-sheathed cable or multiconductor

Type UF cable is used, the sheath shall extend not less than 6.35 mm

(¹/₄ Inch) inside the box and beyond any cable clamp.

[314.17(B)]

E3906.4 Unused openings. Unused openings other than those intended for the operation of equipment, those intended for mounting purposes, or those permitted as part of the design for listed equipment, shall be closed to afford protection substantially equivalent to that of the wall of the equipment. Metal

E3906.8 Supports. Boxes and enclosures shall be supported in accordance with one or more of the provisions in Sections E3906.8.1 through E3906.8.6. (314.23)

E3906.8.1 Surface mounting. An enclosure mounted on a building or other surface shall be rigidly and securely fastened in place. If the surface does not provide rigid and secure support, additional support in accordance with other provisions of Section E3906.8 shall be provided. [314.23(A)]

E3906.8.2 Structural mounting. An enclosure supported from a structural member or from grade shall be rigidly supported either directly, or by using a metal, polymeric or wood brace. [314.23(B)]

E3906.8.2.1 Nails and screws. Nails and screws, where used as a fastening means, shall secure boxes by using brackets on the outside of the enclosure, or by using mounting holes in the back or in a single side of the enclosure, or they shall pass through the interior

plugs or plates used with nonmetallic boxes or conduit bodies shall be recessed at least 6.35 mm (¹/₄ inch) from the outer surface of the box or conduit body. [110.12(A)]

E3906.5 Flush-mounted installations. Installations within or behind a surface of concrete, tile, gypsum, plaster or other noncombustible material, including boxes employing a flush-

type cover or faceplate shall be made so that the front edge of the box, plaster ring, extension ring, or listed extender will be set back from the finished surface not more than 6.35 mm ($\frac{1}{4}$ inch). Installations within a surface of wood or other combustible material, boxes, plaster rings, extension rings and listed extenders shall extend to the finished surface or project therefrom. (314.20)

E3906.6 Noncombustible surfaces. Openings in noncombustible surfaces that accommodate boxes employing a flush-type cover or faceplate shall be made so that there are no gaps or open spaces greater than 3.2 mm ($\frac{1}{8}$ inch) around the edge of the box. (314.21)

E3906.7 Surface extensions. Surface extensions shall be made by mounting and mechanically securing an extension ring over the box. (314.22)

Exception: A surface extension shall be permitted to be made from the cover of a flush-mounted box where the cover is designed so it is unlikely to fall off, or be removed if its securing means becomes loose. The wiring method shall be flexible for an approved length that permits removal of the cover and provides access to the box interior and shall be arranged so that any bonding or grounding continuity is independent of the connection between the box and cover. (314.22 Exception)

through the box except where exposed threads in the box are protected by an approved means to avoid abrasion of conductor insulation. Mounting holes made in the field shall be field approved. [314.23(B)(1)]

E3906.8.2.2 Braces. Metal braces shall be protected against corrosion and formed from metal that is not less than 0.508 mm (0.020 inch) thick uncoated. Wood braces shall have a cross section not less than nominal 25 mm by 51 mm (1 inch by 2 inches). Wood braces in wet locations shall be treated for the conditions. Polymeric braces shall be identified as being suitable for the use. [314.23(B)(2)]

E3906.8.3 Mounting in finished surfaces. An enclosure mounted in a finished surface shall be rigidly secured there to by clamps, anchors, or fittings identified for the application. [314.23(C)]

E3906.8.4 Raceway supported enclosures without devices or fixtures. An enclosure that does not contain a device(s), other than splicing devices, or support a luminaire, lampholder or other equipment, and that is supported by entering raceways shall not exceed 1,640 cm³ (100 cubic inches) in size. The enclosure shall have threaded entries or identified hubs. The enclosure shall be supported by two or more conduits threaded wrenchtight into the enclosure or hubs. Each conduit shall be secured within 915 mm (3 feet) of the enclosure, or within 455 mm (18 inches) of the enclosure if all entries are on the same side of the enclosure. [314.23(E)]

Exception: Rigid metal, intermediate metal, or rigid polyvinyl chloride nonmetallic conduit or electrical metallic tubing shall be permitted to support a conduit body of any size, provided that the conduit body is not larger in trade size than the largest trade size of the supporting conduit or electrical metallic tubing. [314.23(E) Exception]

E3906.8.5 Raceway supported enclosures, with devices or luminaire. An enclosure that contains a device(s), other than splicing devices, or supports a luminaire, lampholder

or other equipment and is supported by entering raceways shall not exceed 1,640 cm³ (100 cubic inches) in size. The enclosure shall have threaded entries or identified hubs. The enclosure shall be supported by two or more conduits threaded wrench-tight into the enclosure or hubs. Each conduit shall be secured within 455 mm (18 inches) of the enclosure. [314.23(F)]

Exceptions:

1. Rigid metal or intermediate metal conduit shall be permitted to support a conduit body of any size, provided that the conduit bodies are not larger in trade size than the largest trade size of the supporting conduit. [314.23(F) Exception No. 1]
2. An unbroken length(s) of rigid or intermediate metal conduit shall be permitted to support a box used for luminaire or lampholder support, or to support a wiring enclosure that is an integral part of a luminaire and used in lieu of a box in accordance with Section E3905.1.1, where all of the following conditions are met:
 - a. The conduit is securely fastened at a point so that the length of conduit beyond the last point of conduit support does not exceed 915 mm (3 feet).
 - b. The unbroken conduit length before the last point of conduit support is 305 mm (12 inches) or greater, and that portion of the conduit is securely fastened at some point not less than 305 mm (12 inches) from its last point of support.
 - c. Where accessible to unqualified persons, the luminaire or lampholder, measured to its lowest point, is not less than 2,450 mm (8 feet) above grade or standing area and at least 915 mm (3 feet) measured horizontally to the 2,450 mm (8-foot) elevation from windows, doors, porches, fire escapes, or similar locations.
 - d. A luminaire supported by a single conduit does not exceed 305 mm (12 inches) in any direction from the point of conduit entry.
 - e. The weight supported by any single conduit does not exceed 9.1 kg (20 pounds).
 - f. At the luminaire or lampholder end, the conduit(s) is threaded wrenchtight into the box, conduit body, or integral wiring enclosure, or into hubs identified for the purpose. Where a box or conduit body is used for support, the luminaire shall be secured directly to the box or conduit body, or through a threaded conduit nipple not over 76 mm (3 inches) long. [314.23(F) Exception No. 2]

E3906.8.6 Enclosures in concrete or masonry. An enclosure supported by embedment shall be identified as

being suitably protected from corrosion and shall be securely embedded in concrete or masonry. [314.23(G)]

E3906.9 Covers and canopies. In completed installations, each box shall have a cover, faceplate, lampholder or luminaire canopy. Screws used for the purpose of attaching covers, or other equipment to the box shall be either machine screws matching the thread gauge or size that is integral to the box or shall be in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions. (314.25)

E3906.10 Covers and plates. Covers and plates shall be non-metallic or metal. Metal covers and plates shall be grounded. [314.25(A)]

E3906.11 Exposed combustible finish. Combustible wall or ceiling finish exposed between the edge of a fixture canopy or pan and the outlet box shall be covered with noncombustible material where required by Section E4004.2. [314.25(B)]

E3906.12 Separable attachment fittings. Where outlet boxes required in Section E3905.6 support listed locking support and mounting receptacles used in combination with compatible attachment fittings, the combination shall be identified for the support of equipment within the weight and mounting orientation limits of the listing. Where the supporting receptacle is installed within a box, it shall be included in the fill calculation given in Section E3905.12.2.4.

SECTION E3907 CABINETS AND PANELBOARDS

E3907.1 Space within switch and overcurrent device enclosures. Where the wiring space of enclosures for switches or overcurrent devices contains conductors that are feeding through, spliced, or tapping off to other enclosures, switches, or overcurrent devices, all of the following conditions shall apply:

1. The total area of all conductors installed at any cross section of the wiring space shall not exceed 40 percent of the cross-sectional area of that space.
2. The total area of all conductors, splices, and taps installed at any cross section of the wiring space shall not exceed 75 percent of the cross-sectional area of that space.
3. A warning label shall be applied to the enclosure that identifies the closest disconnecting means for any feed-through conductors. (312.8)

E3907.1.1 Power monitoring equipment. Where the wiring space of enclosures for switches or overcurrent devices contains power monitoring equipment, all of the following conditions shall be met:

- a. The power monitoring equipment shall be identified as a field installable accessory as part of the listed equipment, or shall be a listed kit evaluated for field installation in switch or overcurrent device enclosures.
- b. The total area of all conductors, splices, taps and equipment at any cross section of the wiring space shall not exceed 75 percent of the cross-sectional area of that space.

E3907.2 Damp and wet locations. In damp or wet locations, cabinets and panelboards of the surface type shall be placed or equipped so as to prevent moisture or water from entering and accumulating within the cabinet, and shall be mounted to provide an airspace not less than 6.35 mm (1/4 inch) between the enclosure and the wall or other supporting surface. Cabinets installed in wet locations shall be weatherproof. For enclosures in wet locations, raceways and cables entering above the level of uninsulated live parts shall be installed with fittings listed for wet locations. (312.2)

Exception: Nonmetallic enclosures installed on concrete, masonry, tile, or similar surfaces shall not be required to be installed with an airspace between the enclosure and the wall or supporting surface. (312.2 Exception)

E3907.3 Position in wall. In walls of concrete, tile or other noncombustible material, cabinets and panelboards shall be installed so that the front edge of the cabinet will not set back of the finished surface more than 6.35 mm (1/4 inch). In walls constructed of wood or other combustible material, cabinets shall be flush with the finished surface or shall project therefrom. (312.3)

E3907.4 Repairing noncombustible surfaces. Noncombustible surfaces that are broken or incomplete shall be repaired so that there will not be gaps or open spaces greater than 3.2 mm (1/8 inch) at the edge of the cabinet or cutout box employing a flush-type cover. (312.4)

E3907.5 Unused openings. Unused openings, other than those intended for the operation of equipment, those intended for mounting purposes, and those permitted as part of the design for listed equipment, shall be closed to afford protection substantially equivalent to that of the wall of the equipment. Metal plugs and plates used with nonmetallic cabinets shall be recessed at least 6.35 mm (1/4 inch) from the outer surface. Unused openings for circuit breakers and switches shall be closed using identified closures, or other approved means that provide protection substantially equivalent to the wall of the enclosure. (110.12(A))

E3907.6 Conductors entering cabinets. Conductors entering cabinets and panelboards shall be protected from abrasion and shall comply with Section E3906.1.1. (312.5)

E3907.7 Openings to be closed. Openings through which conductors enter cabinets, panelboards and meter sockets shall be closed in an approved manner. [312.5(A)]

E3907.8 Cables. Where cables are used, each cable shall be secured to the cabinet, panelboard, cutout box, or meter socket enclosure. [312.5(C)]

Exception: Cables with entirely nonmetallic sheaths shall be permitted to enter the top of a surface-mounted enclosure through one or more sections of rigid raceway not less than 455 mm (18 inches) nor more than 3,050 mm (10 feet) in length, provided all the following conditions are met:

- i. Each cable is fastened within 305 mm (12 inches), measured along the sheath, of the outer end of the raceway.
- ii. The raceway extends directly above the enclosure and does not penetrate a structural ceiling.

- iii. A fitting is provided on each end of the raceway to protect the cable(s) from abrasion and the fittings remain accessible after installation.
- iv. The raceway is sealed or plugged at the outer end using approved means so as to prevent access to the enclosure through the raceway.
- v. The cable sheath is continuous through the raceway and extends into the enclosure beyond the fitting not less than 6.35 mm (1/4 inch).
- vi. The raceway is fastened at its outer end and at other points in accordance with Section E3802.1.
- vii. The allowable cable fill for conduit or tubing shall not exceed that permitted by Table E3907.8 and shall be considered as a complete conduit or tubing system. A multiconductor cable having two or more conductors shall be treated as a single conductor for calculating the percentage of conduit fill area. For cables that have elliptical cross sections, the cross-sectional area calculation shall be based on the major diameter of the ellipse as a circle diameter. [312.5(C) Exception]

**TABLE E3907.8 (Chapter 9, Table 1)
PERCENT OF CROSS SECTION OF
CONDUIT AND TUBING FOR CONDUCTORS**

NUMBER OF CONDUCTORS	MAXIMUM PERCENT OF CONDUIT AND TUBING AREA FILLED BY CONDUCTORS
1	53
2	31
Over 2	40

E3907.9 Wire-bending space within an enclosure containing a panelboard. Wire-bending space within an enclosure containing a panelboard shall comply with the requirements of Sections E3907.9.1 through E3907.9.3.

E3907.9.1 Top and bottom wire-bending space. The top and bottom wire-bending space for a panelboard enclosure shall be sized in accordance with Table E3907.9.1(1) based on the largest conductor entering or leaving the enclosure. [408.55 (A)]

Exceptions:

- 1. For a panelboard rated at 225 amperes or less and designed to contain not more than 42 overcurrent devices, either the top or bottom wire-bending space shall be permitted to be sized in accordance with Table E3907.9.1(2). For the purposes of this exception, a 2-pole or a 3-pole circuit breaker shall be considered as two or three overcurrent devices, respectively. [408.55(A) Exception No. 1]
- 2. For any panelboard, either the top or bottom wire-bending space shall be permitted to be sized in accordance with Table E3907.9.1(2) where the wire-bending space on at least one side is sized in accordance with Table E3907.9.1(1) based on the largest conductor to be terminated in any side wire-bending space. [408.55(A) Exception No. 2]

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3. Where the panelboard is designed and constructed for wiring using only a single 90-degree bend for each conductor, including the grounded circuit conductor, and the wiring diagram indicates and specifies the method of wiring that shall be used, the top and bottom wire-bending space shall be permitted to be sized in accordance with Table E3907.9.1(2). [408.55(A) Exception No. 3]
4. Where there are no conductors terminated in that space, either the top or the bottom wire-bending space, shall be permitted to be sized in accordance with Table E3907.9.1(2). [408.55(A) Exception No. 4]

E3907.9.2 Side wire-bending space. Side wire-bending space shall be in accordance with Table E3907.9.1(2) based on the largest conductor to be terminated in that space. [408.55(B)]

E3907.9.3 Back wire-bending space. The distance between the center of the rear entry and the nearest termination for the entering conductors shall be not less than the distance given in Table E3907.9.1(1). Where a raceway or cable entry is in the wall of the enclosure, opposite a removable cover, the distance from that wall to the cover shall be permitted to comply with the distance required in Table E3907.9.1(2). [408.55 (C)]

**SECTION E3908
GROUNDING**

E3908.1 Metal enclosures. Metal enclosures of conductors, devices and equipment shall be connected to the local grounding system conductor. (250.86)

Exceptions:

1. Short sections of metal enclosures or raceways used to provide cable assemblies with support or protection against physical damage. (250.86 Exception No. 2)

**TABLE E3907.9.1(1) [Table 312.6(B)]
MINIMUM WIRE-BENDING SPACE AT TERMINALS (see Note 1)**

WIRE SIZE (AWG or kcmil and Metric)		WIRES PER TERMINAL			
All other conductors	Compact stranded AA-8000 aluminum alloy conductors (see Note 3)	One (see Note 2)		Two	
		inches	mm	inches	mm
14-10 and 1.5 mm ² – 4 mm ²	12-8 and 2.5 mm ² – 6 mm ²	Not specified	Not specified	—	—
8 and 6 mm ²	6 and 10 mm ²	1½	38.1	—	—
6 and 10 mm ²	4 and 16 mm ²	2	50.8	—	—
4 and 16 mm ²	2 and 25 mm ²	3	76.2	—	—
3 and 25 mm ²	1 and 35 mm ²	3	76.2	—	—
2 and 25 mm ²	1/0 and 50 mm ²	3½	88.9	—	—
1 and 35 mm ²	2/0 and 70 mm ²	4½	114	—	—
1/0 and 50 mm ²	3/0 and 95 mm ²	5½	140	5½	140
2/0 and 70 mm ²	4/0 and 120 mm ²	6	152	6	152
3/0 and 95 mm ²	250 and 150 mm ²	6½ ^a	165 ^a	6½ ^{2a}	165 ^a
4/0 and 120 mm ²	300 and 150 mm ²	7 ^b	178 ^b	7½ ^c	190 ^c
250 and 150 mm ²	350 and 185 mm ²	8½ ^d	216 ^d	8½ ^d	229 ^d
300 and 150 mm ²	400 and 240 mm ²	10 ^c	254 ^c	10 ^d	254 ^d
350 and 185 mm ²	500 and 300 mm ²	12 ^c	305 ^c	12 ^c	305 ^c
400 and 240 mm ²	600	13 ^c	330 ^c	13 ^c	330 ^c
500 and 300 mm ²	700-750 and 400 mm ²	14 ^c	356 ^c	14 ^c	356 ^c
600	800-900	15 ^c	381 ^c	16 ^c	406 ^c
700 and 400 mm ²	1000 and 500 mm ²	16 ^c	406 ^c	18 ^c	457 ^c

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot.

1. Bending space at terminals shall be measured in a straight line from the end of the lug or wire connector in a direction perpendicular to the enclosure wall.
2. For removable and lay-in wire terminals intended for only one wire, bending space shall be permitted to be reduced by the following number of millimeters (inches):
 - a. 12.5 mm (½ inches)
 - b. 25 mm (1 inches)
 - c. 38 mm (1½ inches)
 - d. 51 mm (2 inches)
3. This column shall be permitted to determine the required wire-bending space for compact stranded aluminum conductors in sizes up to 500 mm² or 1000 kcmil or 500 mm² and manufactured using AA-8000 series electrical grade aluminum alloy conductor material.
4. The 600 kcmil all other conductor and 800 - 900 kcmil aluminium conductors has no equivalent in the metric system

TABLE E3907.9.1(2) [Table 312.6(A)]
MINIMUM WIRE-BENDING SPACE AT TERMINALS AND MINIMUM WIDTH OF WIRING GUTTERS (see Note 1)

ALL OTHER CONDUCTORS (AWG/kcmil or metric)	COMPACT STRANDED AA-8000 ALUMINUM ALLOY CONDUCTORS (see Note 2)	WIRES PER TERMINAL			
		One		Two	
		inches	mm	inches	mm
14 10 or 1.5 - 4 mm ²	12 - 8 or 2.5 - 6 mm ²	Not specified	Not specified	—	—
8 - 6 or 6 - 10 mm ²	6 - 4 or 10 - 16 mm ²	1½	38.1	—	—
4-3, 16 - 25 mm ²	2 - 1 or 25 - 35 mm ²	2	50.8	—	—
2 or 25 mm ²	1/0 or 50 mm ²	2½	63.5	—	—
1 or 35 mm ²	2/0 or 70 mm ²	3	76.2	—	—
1/0 - 2/0 or 50 - 70 mm ²	3/0 - 4/0 or 95 - 120 mm ²	3½	88.9	5	127
3/0 - 4/0 or 95 - 120 mm ²	250 - 300 or 150 mm ²	4	102	6	152
250 or 150 mm ²	350 or 185 mm ²	4½	114	6	152
300 - 350 or 150 - 185 mm ²	400 - 500 or 240 - 300 mm ²	5	127	8	203
400 - 500 or 240 - 300 mm ²	600 - 750 or 300 - 400 mm ²	6	152	8	203
600-700 or 300 - 400 mm ²	800 - 1000 or 400 - 500 mm ²	8	203	10	254
750-900 or 400 - 500 mm ²	—	8	203	12	305
1000-1250 or 500 - 630 mm ²	—	10	254	—	—
1500-2000 or 800 - 1,000 mm ²	—	12	305	—	—

Notes:

- a. Bending space at terminals shall be measured in a straight line from the end of the lug or wire connector (in the direction that the wire leaves the terminal) to the wall, barrier, or obstruction.
- b. This column shall be permitted to be used to determine the minimum wire-bending space for compact stranded aluminum conductors in sizes up to 1000 kcmil or 500 mm² and manufactured using AA-8000 series electrical grade aluminum alloy conductor material in accordance with 310.106(B). The minimum width of the wire gutter space shall be determined using the all other conductors value in this table.

2. Metal components that are installed in an underground installation of rigid nonmetallic conduit and are isolated from possible contact by a minimum cover of 455 mm (18 inches) to any part of the metal components or that are isolated from possible contact by encasement in not less than 51 mm (2 inches) of concrete. (250.86 Exception No. 3)

E3908.2 Equipment fastened in place or connected by permanent wiring methods (fixed). Exposed, normally non-current-carrying metal parts of fixed equipment supplied by or enclosing conductors or components that are likely to become energized shall be connected to the local grounding system conductor where any of the following conditions apply:

- a. Where within 2,450 mm (8 feet) vertically or 1,525 mm (5 feet) horizontally of earth or grounded metal objects and subject to contact by persons;
- b. Where located in a wet or damp location and not isolated; or
- c. Where in electrical contact with metal. (250.110)

E3908.3 Specific equipment fastened in place (fixed) or connected by permanent wiring methods.

Exposed, normally noncurrent-carrying metal parts of the following equipment and enclosures shall be connected to a local grounding system conductor:

- a) Luminaires as provided in Chapter 40. [250.112(J)]
- b) Motor-operated water pumps, including submersible types. Where a submersible pump is used in a metal well casing, the well casing shall be connected to the pump circuit local grounding system conductor. [250.112(L)]

E3908.4 Effective ground-fault current path.

Electrical equipment and wiring and other electrically conductive material likely to become energized shall be installed in a manner that creates a low-impedance circuit facilitating the operation of the overcurrent device or ground detector for high-impedance grounded systems. Such circuit shall be capable of safely carrying the maximum ground-fault current likely to be imposed on it from any point on the wiring system where a ground fault might occur to the electrical supply source. [250.(A)(5)]

E3908.5 Earth as a ground-fault current path. The earth shall not be considered as an effective ground-fault current path. [250.4(A)(5)]

7. current path in accordance with one or more of the following:
 - a. It contains an insulated or uninsulated local grounding system conductor in compliance with Item 1 of this section.
 - b. The combined metallic sheath and uninsulated equipment grounding/bonding conductor of

E3908.6 Load-side grounded conductor neutral. A grounded conductor shall not be connected to normally non-current-carrying metal parts of equipment, to local grounding system conductor(s), or be reconnected to ground on the load side of the service disconnecting means. [250.24(A)(5)]

E3908.7 Load-side equipment. A grounded circuit conductor shall not be used for grounding noncurrent-carrying metal parts of equipment on the load side of the service disconnecting means. [250.142(B)]

E3908.8 Types of equipment grounding conductors.

The local grounding system conductor run with or enclosing the circuit conductors shall be one or more or a combination of the following:

1. A copper, aluminum or copper-clad conductor. This conductor shall be solid or stranded; insulated, covered or bare; and in the form of a wire or a busbar of any shape. [250.118(1)]
2. Rigid metal conduit. [250.118(2)]
3. Intermediate metal conduit. [250.118(3)]
4. Electrical metallic tubing. [250.118(4)]
5. Armor of Type AC cable in accordance with Section E3908.4. [250.118(8)]
6. Type MC cable that provides an effective ground-fault

interlocked metal tape-type MC cable that is listed and identified as an local grounding system conductor.

- c. The metallic sheath or the combined metallic sheath and equipment local grounding conductors of the smooth or corrugated tube-type MC cable that is listed and identified as an equipment local grounding conductor. [250.118(10)]
- 8. Other electrically continuous metal raceways and auxiliary gutters. [250.118(13)]
- 9. Surface metal raceways listed for grounding. [250.118(14)]

E3908.8.1 Flexible metal conduit. Flexible metal conduit shall **not** be permitted as part of an equipment local grounding conductor.

Where conductor flexibility is necessary to minimize the transmission of vibration from the grounded equipment or to provide flexibility for equipment that requires movement after installation, the equipment local grounding conductor installed shall be of the flexible wire type. [250.118(5)]

E3908.8.2 Liquid-tight flexible metal conduit. Liquid-tight flexible metal conduit shall **not** be permitted as part of the equipment local grounding conductor.

Where flexibility is necessary to minimize the transmission of vibration from the grounded equipment or to provide flexibility for equipment that requires movement after installation, the equipment local grounding conductor installed shall be of the flexible wire type. [250.118(6)]

E3908.8.3 Nonmetallic sheathed cable (Type NM). In addition to the insulated conductors, the cable shall have an insulated, covered, or bare equipment local grounding conductor. Equipment local grounding conductors shall be sized in accordance with Table E3908.12. (334.108)

E3908.9 Equipment fastened in place or connected by permanent wiring methods. Noncurrent-carrying metal parts of equipment, raceways and other enclosures, where required to be grounded, shall be grounded by one of the following methods: (250.134)

- a) By any of the equipment local grounding conductors permitted by Sections E3908.8 through E3908.8.3. [250.134(A)]
- b) By an equipment local grounding conductor contained within the same raceway, cable or cord, or otherwise run with the circuit conductors. Equipment local grounding system conductors shall be identified in accordance with Section E3407.2. [250.134(B)]

E3908.10 Methods of equipment grounding. Fixtures and equipment shall be considered grounded where mechanically connected to an equipment grounding conductor as specified in Sections E3908.8 through E3908.8.3. Wire type equipment local grounding conductors shall be sized in accordance with Section E3908.12. (250 Part VII)

E3908.11 Equipment grounding conductor installation. Where an equipment local grounding conductor consists of a raceway, cable armor or cable sheath or where such conductor is a wire within a raceway or cable, it shall be installed in accordance with the provisions of this chapter and Chapters 34 and 38 using fittings for joints and terminations approved for installation with the type of raceway or cable used. All connections, joints and fittings shall be made tight using suitable tools. (250.120)

E3908.12 Equipment local grounding conductor size. Copper, aluminum and copper-clad aluminum equipment local grounding conductors of the wire type shall be not smaller than shown in Table E3908.12, but they shall not be required to be larger than the circuit conductors supplying the equipment. Where a raceway or a cable armor or sheath is used as the equipment local grounding conductor, as provided in Section E3908.8, it shall comply with Section E3908.4. Where ungrounded conductors are increased in size from the minimum size that has sufficient ampacity for the intended installation, wire type equipment local grounding conductors shall be increased proportionally according to the circular mil or square millimetre (mm²) area of the ungrounded conductors. [250.122(A) and (B)]

E3908.12.1 Multiple circuits. Where a single equipment local grounding conductor is run with multiple circuits in the same raceway or cable, it shall be sized for the largest overcurrent device protecting conductors in the raceway or cable. [250.122(C)]

E3908.13 Continuity and attachment of equipment local grounding conductors to boxes. Where circuit conductors are spliced within a box or terminated on equipment within or supported by a box, all equipment local grounding conductors associated with any of those circuit conductors shall be connected within the box or to the box with devices suitable for the use in accordance with

Section E3406.13.1. Connections depending solely on solder shall not be used. Splices shall be made in accordance with Section E3406.10 except that insulation shall not be required. The arrangement of grounding connections shall be such that the disconnection or removal of a receptacle, luminaire or other device fed from the box will not interfere with or interrupt the grounding continuity. [250.148(A), (B) and (E)]

E3908.14 Connecting receptacle grounding terminal to box. An equipment bonding jumper, sized in accordance with Table E3908.12 based on the rating of the overcurrent device protecting the circuit conductors, shall be used to connect the local grounding terminal of a grounding-type receptacle to a grounded box except where grounded in accordance with one of the following: (250.146)

- a. **Surface mounted box.** Where the box is mounted on the surface, direct metal-to-metal contact between the device yoke and the box shall be permitted to ground the receptacle to the box. At least one of the insulating washers shall be removed from receptacles that do not have a contact yoke or device designed and listed to be used in conjunction with the supporting screws to establish the grounding circuit local circuit between the device yoke and flush-type boxes. This provision shall not apply to cover-mounted receptacles except where the box and cover combination are listed as providing satisfactory ground continuity between the box and the receptacle. A listed exposed work cover shall be considered to be the grounding and bonding means where the device is attached to the cover with at least two fasteners that are permanent, such as a rivet or have a thread locking or screw locking means and where the cover mounting holes are located on a flat non-raised portion of the cover. [250.146(A)]
- b. **Contact devices or yokes.** Contact devices or yokes designed and listed for the purpose shall be permitted in conjunction with the supporting screws to establish equipment bonding between the device yoke and flush-type boxes. [250.146(B)]
- c. **Floor boxes.** The receptacle is installed in a floor box designed for and listed as providing satisfactory ground continuity between the box and the device. [250.146(C)]

E3908.15 Metal boxes. A connection shall be made between the one or more equipment local grounding conductors and a metal box by means of a grounding screw that shall be used for no other purpose, equipment listed for grounding or by means of a listed grounding device. Where screws are used to connect local grounding conductors or connection devices to boxes, such screws shall be one or more of the following: [250.148(C)]

- a) Machine screw-type fasteners that engage not less than two threads.
- b) Machine screw-type fasteners that are secured with a nut.
- c) Thread-forming machine screws that engage not less than two threads in the enclosure. [250.8(5) and (6)]

E3908.16 Nonmetallic boxes. One or more equipment local grounding conductors brought into a nonmetallic outlet box shall be arranged to allow connection to fittings or devices installed in that box. [250.148(D)]

E3908.17 Clean surfaces. Nonconductive coatings such as paint, lacquer and enamel on equipment to be locally grounded shall be removed from threads and other contact surfaces to ensure electrical continuity or the equipment shall be connected by means of fittings designed so as to make such removal unnecessary. (250.12)

E3908.18 Bonding other enclosures. Metal raceways, cable armor, cable sheath, enclosures, frames, fittings and other metal noncurrent-carrying parts that serve as equipment local grounding conductors, with or without the use of supplementary equipment local grounding conductors, shall be effectively bonded where necessary to ensure electrical continuity and the capacity to conduct safely any fault current likely to be imposed on them. Any nonconductive paint, enamel and similar coating shall be removed at threads, contact points and contact surfaces, or connections shall be made by means of fittings designed so as to make such removal unnecessary. [250.96(A)]

E3908.19 Size of equipment bonding jumper on load side of an overcurrent device. The equipment bonding jumper on the load side of an overcurrent devices shall be sized, as a minimum, in accordance with Table E3908.12, but shall not be required to be larger than the circuit conductors supplying the equipment. An equipment bonding conductor shall be not smaller than No. 14 AWG or 1.5 mm² metric.

TABLE E3908.12 (Table 250.122)
EQUIPMENT LOCAL GROUNDING CONDUCTOR SIZING

RATING OR SETTING OF AUTOMATIC	MINIMUM SIZE CONDUCTOR
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OVERCURRENT DEVICE IN CIRCUIT AHEAD OF EQUIPMENT, CONDUIT, ETC., NOT EXCEEDING THE FOLLOWING RATINGS (amperes)	Copper Wire		Aluminum or copper-clad aluminum wire	
	(Metric)	(AWG)	(Metric)	(AWG)
15	1.5 mm ²	14	2.5 mm ²	12
20	2.5 mm ²	12	4 mm ²	10
60	4 mm ²	10	6 mm ²	8
100	6 mm ²	8	10 mm ²	6
200	10 mm ²	6	16 mm ²	4
300	16 mm ²	4	25 mm ²	2
400	25 mm ²	3	35 mm ²	1

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A single common continuous equipment bonding jumper shall be permitted to connect two or more raceways or cables where the bonding jumper is sized in accordance with Table E3908.12 for the largest overcurrent device supplying circuits therein. [250.102(D) and 250.122]

E3908.20 Installation equipment bonding jumper. Bonding jumpers or conductors and equipment bonding jumpers shall be installed either inside or outside of a raceway or an enclosure in accordance with Sections E3908.20.1 and E3908.20.2. [250.102(E)]

E3908.20.1 Inside raceway or enclosure. Where installed inside a raceway or enclosure, equipment bonding jumpers and bonding jumpers or conductors shall comply with the requirements of Sections E3407.2 and E3908.13. [250.102(E)(1)]

E3908.20.2 Outside raceway or enclosure. Where installed outside of a raceway or enclosure, the length of the bonding jumper or conductor or equipment bonding jumper shall not exceed 6 feet (1829 mm) and shall be routed with the raceway or enclosure. [250.102(E)(2)]

Equipment bonding jumpers and supply-side bonding jumpers installed for bonding grounding electrodes and installed at outdoor pole locations for the purpose of bonding or grounding isolated sections of metal raceways or elbows installed in exposed risers of metal conduit or other metal raceway, shall not be limited in length and shall not be required to be routed with a raceway or enclosure. [250.102(E)(2) Exception]

E3908.20.3 Protection. Bonding jumpers or conductors and equipment bonding jumpers shall be installed in accordance with Section E3610.2. [250.102(E)(3)]

**SECTION E3909
FLEXIBLE CORDS**

E3909.1 Where permitted. Flexible cords shall be used only for the connection of appliances where the fastening means and mechanical connections of such appliances are designed to permit ready removal for maintenance, repair or frequent interchange and the appliance is listed for flexible cord connection. Flexible cords shall not be installed as a substitute for the fixed wiring of a structure; shall not be run through holes in walls, structural ceilings, suspended ceilings, dropped ceilings or floors; shall not be concealed behind walls, floors, ceilings or located above suspended or dropped ceilings; and shall not be attached to building surfaces. (400.10 and 400.12)

E3909.2 Loading and protection. The ampere load of flexible cords serving fixed appliances shall be in accordance with Table E3909.2. This table shall be used in conjunction with applicable end use product standards to ensure selection of the proper size and type. Where flexible cord is approved for and used with a specific listed appliance, it shall be considered to be protected where applied within the appliance listing requirements. [240.4, 240.5(A), 240.5(B)(1), 400.5, and 400.16]

**TABLE E3909.2 [Table 400.5(A)(1)]
MAXIMUM AMPERE LOAD FOR FLEXIBLE CORDS**

CORD SIZE (AWG)	CORD TYPES S, SE, SEO, SJ, SJE, SJEO, SJO, SJOO, SJT, SJTO, SJTOO, SO, SOO, SRD, SRDE, SRDT, ST, STD, SV, SVO, SVOO, SVTO, SVTOO	
	Maximum ampere load	
	Three current-carrying conductors	Two current-carrying conductors
18	7	10
16	10	13
14	15	18
12	20	25

E3909.3 Splices. Flexible cord shall be used only in continuous lengths without splices or taps. (400.13)

E3909.4 Attachment plugs. Where used in accordance with Section E3909.1, each flexible cord shall be equipped with an attachment plug and shall be energized from a receptacle outlet. [400.10(B)]

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ICC user note:

About this chapter: Chapter 40 addresses the "trim-out" (final) stage of construction in which devices and fixtures are installed and connected to the installed wiring system.

This chapter covers receptacle ratings and installation, lighting fixture installation, construction and location, and grounding of devices and fixtures.

SECTION E4001 SWITCHES

E4001.1 Rating and application of snap switches. Switches shall be used within their ratings and shall control only the following loads:

- Resistive and inductive loads not exceeding the ampere rating of the switch at the voltage involved.
- Tungsten-filament lamp loads not exceeding the ampere rating of the switch at 110 volts.
- Motor loads not exceeding 80 percent of the ampere rating of the switch at its rated voltage. [404.14(A)]

E4001.2 CO/ALR snap switches. Snap switches rated 20 amperes or less directly connected to aluminum conductors shall be marked CO/ALR. [404.14(C)]

E4001.3 Indicating. General-use and motor-circuit switches and circuit breakers shall clearly indicate whether they are in the open OFF or closed ON position. Where single-throw switches or circuit breaker handles are operated vertically rather than rotationally or horizontally, the up position of the handle shall be the closed (on) position.

E4001.4 Time switches and similar devices. Time switches and similar devices shall be of the enclosed type or shall be mounted in cabinets or boxes or equipment enclosures. A barrier shall be used around energized parts to prevent operator exposure when making manual adjustments or switching. (404.5)

E4001.5 Grounding of enclosures. Metal enclosures for switches or circuit breakers shall be connected to the local building grounding system through the panel-board grounding conductor. Metal enclosures for switches or circuit breakers used as service equipment shall comply with the provisions of Section E3609.4. Where nonmetallic enclosures are used with metal raceways or metal-armored cables, provisions shall be made for connecting the equipment grounding conductor.

Nonmetallic boxes for switches shall be installed with a wiring method that provides or includes an equipment grounding conductor. (404.12)

E4001.6 Access. Switches and circuit breakers used as switches shall be located to allow operation from a readily accessible location. Switches for habitable rooms shall be located within 225 mm (9 inches) of entrance door jamb(s) or opening(s) to such rooms and be mounted on the opposite side on which the door swings. Switches shall also be installed so that the center of the grip of the operating handle of the switch or circuit breaker, when in its highest position, will be 1,350 mm (4 feet 6 inches) above the finished floor or working platform. Circuit breakers shall not be used as switches. [404.8(A)]

Exception: This section shall not apply to switches and circuit breakers that are accessible by portable means and are installed adjacent to the motors, appliances and other equipment that they supply. [404.8(A) Exception]

E4001.7 Damp or wet locations. A surface mounted switch or circuit breaker located in a damp or wet location or outside of a building shall be enclosed in a weatherproof enclosure or cabinet. A flush-mounted switch or circuit breaker in a damp or wet location shall be equipped with a weatherproof cover. Switches shall not be installed within wet locations in tub or shower spaces unless installed as part of a listed tub or shower assembly. [404.4(A), (B), and (C)]

E4001.8 Grounded conductors. Switches or circuit breakers shall not disconnect the grounded conductor of a circuit except where the switch or circuit breaker simultaneously disconnects all conductors of the circuit. [404.2(B)]

E4001.9 Switch connections. Three- and four-way switches shall be wired so that all switching occurs only in the ungrounded circuit conductor. Color coding of switch connection conductors shall comply with Section E3407.3. Where in metal raceways or metal-jacketed cables, wiring between switches and outlets shall be in accordance with Section E3406.7. [404.2(A)]

Exception: Switch loops do not require a grounded conductor. [404.2(A) Exception]

E4001.10 Box mounted. Flush-type snap switches mounted in boxes that are recessed from the finished wall surfaces as covered in Section E3906.5 shall be installed so that the extension plaster ears are seated so it is vertically flush with the surface of the wall. Flush-type snap switches mounted in boxes that are flush with the finished wall surface or project therefrom shall be installed so that the mounting yoke or strap of the switch is seated against the box.

Screws used for the purpose of attaching a snap switch to a box shall be of the type provided with a listed snap switch, or shall be machine screws having 32 threads per 25 mm (1 inch) or part of listed assemblies or systems, in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

Extreme care shall be taken to ensure that switch boxes are installed plumbed and parallel to building lines so that switch covers can also be plumbed and parallel to building lines. [404.10(B)]

E4001.11 Snap switch faceplates. Faceplates provided for snap switches mounted in boxes and other enclosures shall be installed so as to completely cover the opening and, where the

switch is flush mounted, seat against the finished surface. [404.9(A)]

E4001.11.1 Faceplate grounding. Snap switches, including dimmer and similar control switches, shall be connected to the power system grounding conductor (neutral) and shall provide a means to connect metal faceplates to the local grounding system conductor, whether or not a metal faceplate is installed. Metal faceplates shall be grounded. Snap switches shall be considered to be part of an effective ground-fault current path if either of the following conditions is met:

1. The switch is mounted with metal screws to a metal box or metal cover that is connected to the local grounding system conductor or to a nonmetallic box with integral means for connecting to the local grounding system conductor.
2. A local grounding system conductor or bonding jumper is connected to a local grounding termination of the snap switch. [404.9(B)]

Exceptions:

- a. Where a means to connect to a local grounding system conductor does not exist within the snap-switch enclosure or where the wiring method does not include or provide a local grounding system conductor, a snap switch without a grounding connection to the local grounding system conductor shall be permitted for replacement purposes only. A snap switch wired under the provisions of this exception and located within 1,350 mm (4 feet 6 inches) vertically or 1,525 mm (5 feet) horizontally of ground or exposed grounded metal objects, shall be provided with a faceplate of nonconducting noncombustible material with nonmetallic attachment screws, except where the switch-mounting strap or yoke is nonmetallic or the circuit is protected by a ground-fault circuit interrupter. [404.9(B) Exception No. 1]
- b. Listed kits or listed assemblies shall not be required to be connected to a local grounding system conductor if all of the following conditions apply:
 - i. The device is provided with a nonmetallic faceplate that cannot be installed on any other type of device.
 - ii. The device does not have mounting means to accept other configurations of faceplates.
 - iii. The device is equipped with a nonmetallic yoke.
 - iv. All parts of the device that are accessible after installation of the faceplate are manufactured of nonmetallic materials. [404.9(B) Exception No. 2]

- c. Connection to a local grounding system conductor shall not be required for snap switches that have an integral nonmetallic enclosure complying with Section E3905.1.3. [404.9(B)]

Exception No. 3] **4001.12 Dimmer switches.** General-use dimmer switches shall be used only to control permanently installed incandescent luminaires (lighting fixtures) except where listed for the control of other loads and installed accordingly. [404.14(E)]

E4001.13 Multipole snap switches. A multipole, general-use snap switch shall not be fed from more than a single circuit unless it is listed and marked as a two-circuit or three-circuit switch. [404.8(C)]

E4001.14 Cord-and-plug-connected loads. Where snap switches are used to control cord-and-plug-connected equipment on a general-purpose branch circuit, each snap switch controlling receptacle outlets or cord connectors that are supplied by permanently connected cord pendants shall be rated at not less than the rating of the maximum permitted ampere rating or setting of the overcurrent device protecting the receptacles or cord connectors, as provided in Sections E4002.1.1 and E4002.1.2. [404.14(F)]

E4001.15 Switches controlling lighting loads. The grounded circuit conductor for the controlled lighting circuit shall be installed at the location where switches control lighting loads that are supplied by a grounded general-purpose branch circuit serving bathrooms, hallways, stairways, or rooms suitable for human habitation or occupancy as defined in the code. Where multiple switch locations control the same lighting load such that the entire floor area of the room or space is visible from the single or combined switch locations, the grounded conductor shall be required only at one location. A grounded conductor shall not be required to be installed at lighting switch locations under any of the following conditions:

- a) Where conductors enter the box enclosing the switch through a raceway, provided that the raceway is large enough for all contained conductors, including a grounded conductor.
- b) Where the box enclosing the switch is accessible for the installation of an additional or replacement cable without removing finish materials.
- c) Where snap switches with integral enclosures comply with Section E3905.1.3.
- d) Where lighting in the area is controlled by automatic means.
- e) Where a switch controls a receptacle load. [404.2(C)]

Effective January 1, 2020, the grounded conductor shall be extended to any switch location as necessary and shall be connected to switching devices that require line-to-neutral voltage to operate the electronics of the switch in the standby mode.

The requirement for connection to switching devices shall not apply to replacement or retrofit switches installed in locations prior to the adoption of Section E4001.15 and where the grounded conductor cannot be extended without removing finish materials. The number of electronic lighting control switches on a branch circuit shall not exceed five, and the number

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connected to any feeder on the load side of a system or main bonding jumper shall not exceed 25.

**SECTION E4002
RECEPTACLES**

E4002.1 Rating and type. Receptacles and cord connectors shall be rated at not less than 15 amperes, 125 volts, or 15 amperes, 250 volts, and shall not be a lampholder type. 125 Volts receptacles shall be duplex (offer the option of plugging-in and using one or two 110 Volt appliance at any given moment) while 250 Volts receptacles shall be single (allowing only one 220 Volt appliance at any given moment). Receptacles shall be rated in accordance with this section. [406.3(B)]

E4002.1.1 Single receptacle. A single receptacle installed on an individual branch circuit shall have an ampere rating not less than that of the branch circuit. [210.21(B)(1)]

E4002.1.2 Two or more receptacles. Where connected to a branch circuit supplying two or more receptacles or outlets, receptacles shall conform to the values listed in Table E4002.1.2. [210.21(B)(3)]

**TABLE E4002.1.2 [Table 210.21(B)(3)]
RECEPTACLE RATINGS FOR
VARIOUS SIZE MULTI-OUTLET CIRCUITS**

CIRCUIT RATING (amperes)	RECEPTACLE RATING (amperes)
15	15
20	15 or 20
30	30
40	40 or 50
50	50

E4002.2 Grounding type. Receptacles installed on 15- and 20-ampere-rated branch circuits shall be of the grounding type (have a terminal for connecting to the local grounding system). [406.4(A)]

E4002.3 CO/ALR receptacles. Receptacles rated at 20 amperes or less and directly connected to aluminum conductors shall be marked CO/ALR. [406.3(C)]

E4002.4 Faceplates. Metal face plates shall be grounded. [406.6(B)]

E4002.5 Position of receptacle faces. After installation, receptacle faces shall be flush with or project from face plates of insulating material and shall project a minimum of 0.381 mm (0.015 inch) from metal face plates. Faceplates shall be installed so as to completely cover the opening and seat against the mounting surface.

Receptacle faceplates mounted inside of a box having a recess-mounted receptacle shall effectively close the opening and seat against the mounting surface. [406.5(D), 406.6]

Exception: Listed kits or assemblies encompassing receptacles and nonmetallic faceplates that cover the receptacle face, where the plate cannot be installed on any other receptacle, shall be permitted. [406.5(D) Exception]

E4002.6 Receptacle mounted in boxes. Receptacles mounted in boxes that are set back from the finished wall surface as permitted by Section E3906.5 shall be installed so that the mounting yoke or strap of the receptacle is held rigidly at the finished surface of the wall. Screws used for the purpose of attaching receptacles to a box shall be of the type provided with a listed receptacle, or shall

be machine screws having 32 threads per 25 mm (1 inch) or part of listed assemblies or systems, in accordance with the manufacturer’s instructions. Receptacles mounted in boxes that are flush with the wall surface or project therefrom shall be so installed that the mounting yoke or strap is seated against the box or raised cover. [406.5(A) and (B)]

E4002.7 Receptacles mounted on covers. Receptacles mounted to and supported by a cover shall be held rigidly against the cover by more than one screw or shall be a part of a listed device assembly or box cover that is identified for securing by a single screw. Receptacles mounted on and supported by a cover shall have a terminal for connecting to the local grounding system. [406.5(C)]

E4002.8 Damp locations. A receptacle installed outdoors in a location protected from the weather or in other damp locations shall have an enclosure for the receptacle that is weatherproof when the receptacle cover(s) is closed and an attachment plug cap is not inserted. An installation suitable for wet locations shall also be considered suitable for damp locations. A receptacle shall be considered to be in a location protected from the weather where located under roofed open porches, canopies and similar structures and not subject to rain or water runoff. Fifteen- and 20-ampere, 125- and 250-volt nonlocking receptacles installed in damp locations shall be listed a weather-resistant type. [406.9(A)]

E4002.9 Fifteen- and 20-ampere receptacles in wet locations. Where installed in a wet location, 15- and 20-ampere, 125- and 250-volt receptacles shall have an enclosure that is weatherproof whether or not the attachment plug cap is inserted. An outlet box hood installed for this purpose shall be listed and identified as “extra-duty.” Fifteen- and 20-ampere receptacles mounted in wet locations shall either be protected by a ground fault circuit interrupter or the branch circuit breaker supplying such receptables with electricity protected by a ground fault circuit interrupter.

Exception: 15- and 20-ampere, 125- through 250-volt receptacles installed in a wet location and subject to routine high-pressure spray washing need not have an enclosure that is weatherproof when the attachment plug is inserted.

Fifteen- and 20-ampere, 125- and 250-volt nonlocking receptacles installed in wet locations shall be listed and so identified as the weather-resistant type. [406.9(B)(1)]

E4002.10 Other receptacles in wet locations. Where a receptacle other than a 15- or 20-amp, 125- or 250-volt receptacle is installed in a wet location and where the product intended to be plugged into it is not attended while in use, the receptacle shall have an enclosure that is weatherproof both when the attachment plug cap is inserted and when it is removed. Where such receptacle is installed in a wet location and where the product intended to be plugged into it will be attended while in use, the receptacle shall have an enclosure that is weatherproof when the attachment plug cap is removed. Other receptacles mounted in wet locations shall either be protected by a ground fault circuit interrupter or the branch circuit breaker supplying such receptables with electricity protected by a ground fault circuit interrupter. [406.9(B)(2)]

E4002.11 Bathtub and shower space. A receptacle shall not be installed within or directly over a bathtub or shower stall. [406.9(C)]

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E4002.12 Flush mounting with faceplate. In damp or wet locations, the enclosure for a receptacle installed in an outlet box flush-mounted in a finished surface shall be made weatherproof by means of a weatherproof faceplate assembly that provides a water-tight connection between the plate and the finished surface. [406.9(E)]

E4002.13 Exposed terminals. Receptacles shall be enclosed so that live wiring terminals are not exposed to contact. [406.5(I)]

E4002.14 Tamper-resistant receptacles. In areas specified in Section E3901.1, 15- and 20-ampere, 125- and 250-volt nonlocking-type receptacles shall be listed tamper-resistant receptacles. [406.12(A)]

Exception: Receptacles in the following locations shall not be required to be tamper resistant:

- a. Receptacles located more than 1,675 mm (5.5 feet) above the floor.
- b. Receptacles that are part of a luminaire or appliance.
- c. A single receptacle for a single appliance or a duplex receptacle for two appliances where such receptacles are located in spaces dedicated for the appliances served and, under conditions of normal use, the appliances are not easily moved from one place to another. The appliances shall be cord-and-plug-connected to such receptacles in accordance with Section E3909.4. [406.12(A) Exception]

E4002.15 Receptacles in countertops. Receptacle assemblies for installation in countertop surfaces shall be listed for countertop applications. Receptacle assemblies and GFCI receptacle assemblies installed in work surfaces shall be listed for work surface or countertop applications. [406.5 (E) and (F)]

E4002.16 Receptacle position. Receptacles shall not be installed in a face-up position in or on countertops surfaces or work surfaces except where the receptacles are listed for countertop or work surface applications. [406.5 (G)]

SECTION E4003 LUMINAIRES

E4003.1 Energized parts. Luminaires, lampholders, and lamps shall not have energized parts normally exposed to contact. (410.5)

E4003.2 Luminaires near combustible material. Luminaires shall be installed or equipped with shades or guards so that combustible material, excluding flammable liquids and gases, will not be subjected to temperatures in excess of 90°C (194°F). Flameproof luminaires which will prevent the process of switching on and off creating sparks shall be used in rooms with flammable liquids or gases. (410.11)

E4003.3 Exposed conductive parts. The exposed metal parts of luminaires shall be connected to the local grounding system conductor or shall be insulated from the equipment grounding conductor and other conducting surfaces. Lamp tie wires, mounting screws, clips and decorative bands on glass spaced at least 38 mm (1½ inches) from lamp terminals shall not be required to be grounded. (410.42)

E4003.4 Screw-shell type. Lampholders of the screw-shell type shall be installed for use as lampholders only. Where supplied by a circuit having a grounded conductor, the grounded conductor shall be connected to the screw shell. (410.90)

E4003.5 Recessed incandescent luminaires. Recessed incandescent luminaires shall have thermal protection and shall be listed as thermally protected. [410.115(C)]

Exceptions:

- a) Thermal protection shall not be required in recessed

luminaires listed for the purpose and installed in poured concrete. [410.115(C) Exception No. 1]

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- b) Thermal protection shall not be required in recessed luminaires having design, construction, and thermal performance characteristics equivalent to that of thermally protected luminaires, and such luminaires are identified as inherently protected. [410.115(C) Exception No. 2]

feet) horizontally and 2,450 mm (8 feet) vertically from the top of a bathtub rim or shower stall threshold. This zone is all encompassing and includes the space directly over the tub or shower. Luminaires within the actual outside dimension of the bathtub or shower to a height of 2,450 mm (8 feet) vertically from the top of the bathtub rim or shower threshold

E4003.6 Thermal protection. The ballast of a fluorescent luminaire installed indoors shall have integral thermal protection. Replacement ballasts shall also have thermal protection integral with the ballast. A simple reactance ballast in a fluorescent luminaire with straight tubular lamps shall not be required to be thermally protected. [410.130(E)(1)]

E4003.7 High-intensity discharge luminaires. Recessed high-intensity luminaires designed to be installed in wall or ceiling cavities shall have thermal protection and be identified as thermally protected. Thermal protection shall not be required in recessed high-intensity luminaires having design, construction and thermal performance characteristics equivalent to that of thermally protected luminaires, and such luminaires are identified as inherently protected. Thermal protection shall not be required in recessed high-intensity discharge luminaires installed in and identified for use in poured concrete. A recessed remote ballast for a high-intensity discharge luminaire shall have thermal protection that is integral with the ballast and shall be identified as thermally protected. [410.130(F)(1), (2), (3), and (4)]

E4003.8 Metal halide lamp containment. Luminaires that use a metal halide lamp other than a thick-glass parabolic reflector lamp (PAR) shall be provided with a containment barrier that encloses the lamp, or shall be provided with a physical means that allows the use of only a lamp that is Type O. [410.130(F)(5)]

E4003.9 Wet or damp locations. Luminaires installed in wet or damp locations shall be installed so that water cannot enter or accumulate in wiring compartments, lampholders or other electrical parts. All luminaires installed in wet locations shall be marked "SUITABLE FOR WET LOCATIONS." All luminaires installed in damp locations shall be marked "SUITABLE FOR WET LOCATIONS" or "SUITABLE FOR DAMP LOCATIONS." (410.10)

E4003.10 Lampholders in wet or damp locations. Lampholders installed in wet locations shall be listed for use in wet locations. Lampholders installed in damp locations shall be listed for damp locations or shall be listed for wet locations. (410.96)

E4003.11 Bathtub and shower areas. Cord-connected luminaires, chain-, cable-, or cord-suspended-luminaires, lighting track, pendants, and ceiling-suspended (paddle) fans shall not have any parts located within a zone measured 915 mm (3

shall be marked for damp locations and where subject to shower spray, shall be marked for wet locations. [410.4(D)]

E4003.12 Luminaires in clothes closets. For the purposes of this section, storage space shall be defined as a volume bounded by the sides and back closet walls and planes extending from the closet floor vertically to a height of 1,830 mm (6 feet) or the highest clothes-hanging rod and parallel to the walls at a horizontal distance of 610 mm (24 inches) from the sides and back of the closet walls respectively, and continuing vertically to the closet ceiling parallel to the walls at a horizontal distance of 305 mm (12 inches) or the width of the shelf, whichever is greater. For a closet that permits access to both sides of a hanging rod, the storage space shall include the volume below the highest rod extending 305 mm (12 inches) on

either side of the rod on a plane horizontal to the floor extending the entire length of the rod (see Figure E4003.12). (410.2)

The types of luminaires installed in clothes closets shall be limited to surface-mounted or recessed incandescent or LED luminaires with completely enclosed light sources, surface-mounted or recessed fluorescent luminaires, and surface-mounted fluorescent or LED luminaires identified as suitable for installation within the closet storage area. Incandescent luminaires with open or partially enclosed lamps and pendant luminaires or lamp-holders shall be prohibited. The minimum clearance between luminaires installed in clothes closets and the nearest point of a closet storage area shall be as follows: [410.16(A) and (B)]

- a. Surface-mounted incandescent or LED luminaires with a completely enclosed light source shall be installed on the wall above the door or on the ceiling, provided that there is a minimum clearance of 305 mm (12 inches) between the fixture and the nearest point of a storage space.
- b. Surface-mounted fluorescent luminaires shall be installed on the wall above the door or on the ceiling, provided that there is a minimum clearance of 150 mm (6 inches).
- c. Recessed incandescent luminaires or LED luminaires with a completely enclosed light source shall be installed in the wall or the ceiling provided that there is a minimum clearance of 150 mm (6 inches).
- d. Recessed fluorescent luminaires shall be installed in the wall or on the ceiling provided that there is a minimum clearance of 150 mm (6 inches) between the fixture and the nearest point of a storage space.
- e. Surface-mounted fluorescent or LED luminaires shall be permitted to be installed within the closet storage space where identified for this use. [410.16(C)]

E4003.13 Luminaire wiring—general. Wiring on or within luminaires shall be neatly arranged and shall not be exposed to physical damage. Excess wiring shall be avoided. Conductors shall be arranged so that they are not subjected to temperatures above those for which the conductors are rated. (410.48)

E4003.13.1 Polarization of luminaires. Luminaires shall be wired so that the screw shells of lampholders will be connected to the same luminaire or circuit conductor or

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm =

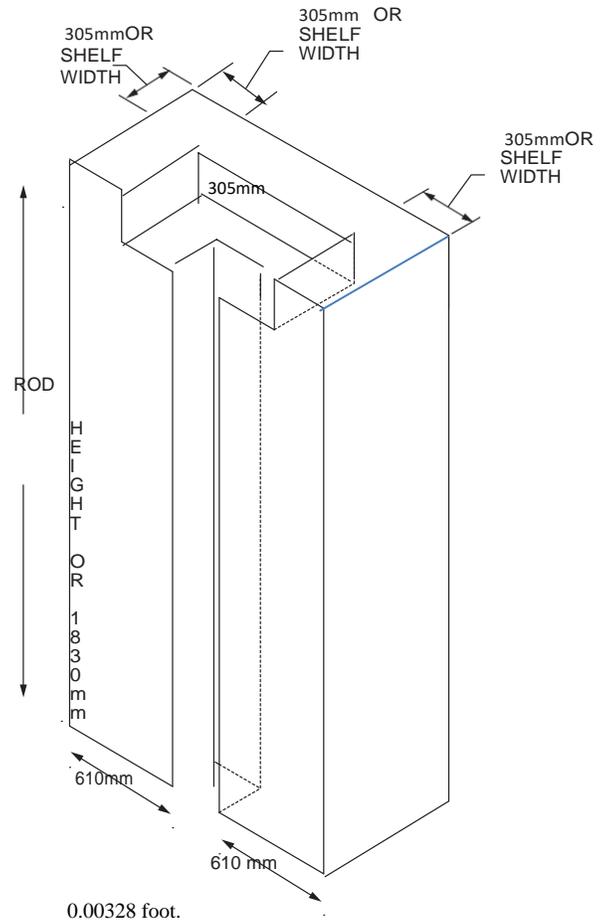


FIGURE E4003.12 CLOSET STORAGE SPACE

terminal. The grounded conductor shall be connected to the screw shell. (410.50)

E4003.13.2 Luminaires as raceways. Luminaires shall not be used as raceways for circuit conductors except where such luminaires are listed and marked for use as a raceway or are identified for through-wiring.

Luminaires designed for end-to-end connection to form a continuous assembly, and luminaires connected together by recognized wiring methods, shall not be required to be listed as a raceway where they contain the conductors of one 2-wire branch circuit or one multiwire branch circuit and such conductors supply the connected luminaires. One additional 2-wire branch circuit that separately supplies one or more of the connected luminaires shall also be permitted. [410.64(A), (B), and (C)]

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E4004.1 Outlet box covers. In a completed installation, each outlet box shall be provided with a cover except where covered by means of a luminaire canopy, lampholder or device with a faceplate. (410.22)

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E4004.2 Combustible material at outlet boxes. Combustible wall or ceiling finish exposed between the inside edge of a luminaire canopy or pan and the outlet box and having a surface area of 1,160 mm² (180 square inches) or more shall be covered with a noncombustible material. (410.23)

E4004.3 Access. Luminaires shall be installed so that the connections between the luminaire conductors and the circuit conductors can be accessed without requiring the disconnection of any part of the wiring. Luminaires that are connected by attachment plugs and receptacles meet the requirement of this section. (410.8)

E4004.4 Supports. Luminaires and lampholders shall be securely supported. A luminaire that:

- a. Weighs 2.75 kg (6 pounds) or less or do not exceed 405 mm (16 inches) in any dimension may be supported by the screw shell of a lampholder.
- b. Weighs more than 2.75 kg (6 lbs) shall be supported by the manufacturer's support system supplied or special fabricated support capable of supporting at least two-and-a-half times the weight of the luminaire.

E4004.5 Means of support. Outlet boxes or fittings installed as required by Sections E3905 and E3906 shall be permitted to support luminaires. [410.36(A)]

E4004.6 Exposed components. Luminaires having exposed ballasts, transformers, LED drivers or power supplies shall be installed so that such ballasts, transformers, LED drivers or power supplies are not in contact with combustible material unless listed for such condition. [410.136(A)]

E4004.7 Combustible low-density cellulose fiberboard. Where a surface-mounted luminaire containing a ballast, transformer, LED driver or power supply is installed on combustible low-density cellulose fiberboard, the luminaire shall be marked for this purpose or it shall be spaced not less than 38 mm (1½ inches) from the surface of the fiberboard. Where such luminaires are partially or wholly recessed, the provisions of Sections E4004.8 and E4004.9 shall apply. [410.136(B)]

E4004.8 Recessed luminaire clearance. A recessed luminaire that is not identified for contact with insulation shall have all recessed parts spaced at least 12.5 mm (½ inch) from combustible materials. The points of support and the finish trim parts at the opening in the ceiling, wall or other finished surface shall be permitted to be in contact with combustible materials. A recessed luminaire that is identified for contact with insulation, Type IC, shall be permitted to be in contact with combustible materials at recessed parts, points of support, and portions passing through the building structure and at finish trim parts at the opening in the ceiling or wall. [410.116(A)(1) and (A)(2)]

E4004.9 Recessed luminaire installation. Thermal insulation shall not be installed above a recessed luminaire or within 76 mm (3 inches) of the recessed luminaire's enclosure, wiring compartment, ballast, transformer, LED driver or power supply except where such luminaire is identified for contact with insulation, Type IC. [410.116(B)]

E4005.1 Installation. Lighting track shall be permanently installed and permanently connected to a branch circuit having a rating not more than that of the track. [410.151(A) and (B)]

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TRACK

E4005.2 Fittings. Fittings identified for use on lighting track shall be designed specifically for the track on which they are to be installed. Fittings shall be securely fastened to the track, shall maintain polarization and connection to the local grounding system conductor, and shall be designed to be suspended directly from the track. Only lighting track fittings shall be installed on lighting track. Lighting track fittings shall not be equipped with general-purpose receptacles. [410.151(A) and (B)]

E4005.3 Connected load. The connected load on lighting track shall not exceed the rating of the track. Lighting track shall be supplied by a branch circuit having a rating not greater than that of the track. [410.151(B)]

E4005.4 Prohibited locations. Lighting track shall not be installed in the following locations:

- a) Where likely to be subjected to physical damage.
- b) In wet or damp locations.
- c) Where subject to corrosive vapors.

- d) In storage battery rooms.
- e) In hazardous (classified) locations.
- f) Where concealed.
- g) Where extended through walls or partitions.
- h) Less than 1,525 mm (5 feet) above the finished floor except where protected from physical damage or the track operates at less than 30 volts rms open-circuit voltage.
- i) Where prohibited by Section E4003.11. [410.151(C)]

E4005.5 Fastening. Lighting track shall be securely mounted so that each fastening will be suitable for supporting the maximum weight of luminaires that can be installed. Except where identified for supports at greater intervals, a single section 1,220 mm (4 feet) or shorter in length shall have two supports and, where installed in a continuous row, each individual section of not more than 1,220 mm (4 feet) in length shall have one additional support. (410.154)

E4005.6 Grounding. Lighting track shall be grounded in accordance with Chapter 39, and the track sections shall be securely coupled to maintain continuity of the circuitry, polarization and grounding throughout. [410.155(B)]

flexible cord supplying an appliance shall terminate in a grounding-type attachment plug. The cord lengths specified for built-in dishwashers and trash compactors shall be measured from the face of the attachment plug to the plane of the rear of the appliance. A receptacle for a cord-and-plug-connected range hood shall be supplied by an individual branch circuit. A receptacle for a built-in dishwasher shall be located in a space adjacent

to the space occupied by the dishwasher. Specific appliances have additional requirements as specified in Table E4101.3 (see Section E3909). [422.16(B)(1), (B)(2), (B)(4)]

CHAPTER 41 APPLIANCE INSTALLATION

ICC user note:

About this chapter: Chapter 41 covers appliance installation, which is typically the final stage of construction after all wiring, devices and fixtures are installed. This chapter covers flexible cords, overcurrent protection, disconnecting means and installation provisions.

**TABLE E4101.3
FLEXIBLE CORD
LENGTH**

SECTION E4101 GENERAL

E4101.1 Scope. This section covers installation requirements for appliances and fixed heating equipment. (422.1 and 424.1)

E4101.2 Installation. Appliances and equipment shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's installation instructions. Electrically heated appliances and equipment shall be installed with the required clearances to combustible materials. [110.3(B) and 422.17]

E4101.3 Flexible cords. Cord-and-plug-connected appliances shall use cords suitable for the environment and physical conditions likely to be encountered. Flexible cords shall be used only where the appliance is listed to be connected with a flexible cord. The cord shall be identified as suitable in the installation instructions of the appliance manufacturer. Receptacles for cord-and-plug-connected appliances shall be accessible and shall be located to avoid physical damage to the flexible cord. Except for a listed appliance marked to indicate that it is protected by a system of double-insulation, the

APPLIANCE	MINIMUM CORD LENGTH (millimetres)	MAXIMUM CORD LENGTH (millimetres)
Electrically operated in-sink waste disposal	455	915
Built-in dishwasher	915	1,980
Trash compactor	915	1,220
Range hoods	455	1,220

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch.

E4101.4 Overcurrent protection. Each appliance shall be protected against overcurrent in accordance with the rating of the appliance and its listing. [110.3(B), 422.11(A)]

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E4101.4.1 Single nonmotor-operated appliance. The overcurrent protection for a branch circuit that supplies a single nonmotor-operated appliance shall not exceed that marked on the appliance. Where the overcurrent protection rating is not marked and the appliance is rated at over 13.3 amperes, the overcurrent protection shall not exceed 150 percent of the appliance rated current. Where 150 percent of the appliance rating does not correspond to a standard overcurrent device ampere rating, the next higher standard rating shall be permitted. Where the overcurrent protection rating is not marked and the appliance is rated at 13.3 amperes or less, the overcurrent protection shall not exceed 20 amperes. [422.11(E)]

E4101.5 Disconnecting means. Each appliance shall be provided with a means to disconnect all ungrounded supply conductors. For fixed electric space-heating equipment, means shall be provided to disconnect the heater and any motor controller(s) and supplementary overcurrent-protective devices. Switches and circuit breakers used as a disconnecting means shall be of the indicating type. Disconnecting means shall be as set forth in Table E4101.5. (422.30, 422.35, and 424.19)

E4101.6 Support of ceiling-suspended paddle fans. Ceiling-suspended fans (paddle) shall be supported independently of an outlet box; by a listed outlet box or outlet box system identified for the use and installed in accordance with Section E3905.8; or by a listed outlet box system, a listed locking support and mounting receptacle, and a compatible factory-installed attachment fitting designed for support, identified for the use and installed in accordance with Section E3906.12. (422.18)

E4101.7 Snow-melting and deicing equipment protection. Not applicable.

E4101.8 Lockable disconnecting means. Where a disconnecting means is required to be lockable, it shall be capable of being locked in the open position. The provisions for locking shall remain in place with or without the lock installed.

Exception: Locking provisions for a cord-and-plug connection shall not be required to remain in place without the lock installed.

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TABLE E4101.5
DISCONNECTING MEANS [422.31(A), (B), and (C); 422.34; 422.35; 424.19; 424.20; and 440.14]

DESCRIPTION	ALLOWED DISCONNECTING MEANS
Permanently connected appliance rated at not over 300 volt-amperes or 93.2 Watts ($\frac{1}{8}$ horsepower).	Branch-circuit overcurrent device where the switch or circuit breaker is <i>within sight</i> of the appliance or is capable of being locked in the open position in compliance with Section E4101.8.
Permanently connected appliances rated in excess of 300 volt-amperes.	Branch circuit switch or circuit breaker located <i>within sight</i> of the appliance or such devices in any location that are capable of being locked in the open position in compliance with Section E4101.8.
Motor-operated appliances rated over $\frac{1}{8}$ horsepower.	<p>For permanently connected motor-operated appliances with motors rated over 93.2 Watts ($\frac{1}{8}$ horsepower), the disconnecting means shall be <i>within sight</i> from the appliance or it shall be capable of being locked in the open position in compliance with Section E4101.8. The disconnecting means shall be one of the following types: a listed motor-circuit switch rated in horsepower, a listed molded case circuit breaker, a listed molded case switch, a listed manual motor controller additionally marked “Suitable as Motor Disconnect” where installed between the final motor branch-circuit short-circuit protective device and the motor. For stationary motors rated at 1.49 kW (2 hp) or less and 300 volts or less, the disconnecting means shall be permitted to be one of the following devices:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) A general-use switch having an ampere rating not less than twice the full-load current rating of the motor. b) On AC circuits, a general-use snap switch suitable only for use on AC, not general-use AC–DC snap switches, where the motor full-load current rating is not more than 80 percent of the ampere rating of the switch. c) A listed manual motor controller having a horsepower rating not less than the rating of the motor and marked “Suitable as Motor Disconnect”. <p>The disconnecting means shall have an ampere rating not less than 115 percent of the full-load current rating of the motor except that a listed unfused motor-circuit switch having a horsepower rating not less than the motor horsepower shall be permitted to have an ampere rating less than 115 percent of the full-load current rating of the motor.</p> <p>Exception: Where an appliance of more than 93.2 Watts ($\frac{1}{8}$ hp) is provided with a unit switch with a marked-off position that is a part of the appliance and disconnects all ungrounded conductors, such unit switch shall be permitted as the disconnecting means and the switch or circuit breaker serving as the other disconnecting means shall be permitted to be not <i>within sight</i> from the appliance.</p>
Appliances listed for cord-and-plug connection.	A separable connector or attachment plug and receptacle provided with access.

(continued)

**TABLE E4101.5—continued
DISCONNECTING MEANS**

DESCRIPTION	ALLOWED DISCONNECTING MEANS
Permanently installed heating equipment with motors rated at not over 93.2 Watts ($\frac{1}{8}$ horsepower) with supplementary overcurrent protection.	Disconnect, on the supply side of fuses, <i>in sight</i> from the supplementary overcurrent device, and <i>in sight</i> of the heating equipment or, in any location, where the disconnecting means is be capable of being locked in the open position in compliance with Section E4101.8.
Heating equipment containing motors rated over 93.2 Watts ($\frac{1}{8}$ horsepower) with supplementary overcurrent protection.	Disconnect permitted to serve as required disconnect for both the heating equipment and the controller where, on the supply side of fuses, and <i>in sight</i> from the supplementary overcurrent devices, if the disconnecting means is also <i>in sight</i> from the controller, or is capable of being locked in the open position in compliance with Section E4101.8 and simultaneously disconnects the heater, motor controller(s) and supplementary overcurrent protective devices from all ungrounded conductors. The disconnecting means shall have an ampere rating not less than 125 percent of the total load of the motors and the heaters.
Heating equipment containing no motor rated over 93.2 Watts ($\frac{1}{8}$ horsepower) without supplementary overcurrent protection.	Branch-circuit switch or circuit breaker where <i>within sight</i> from the heating equipment or capable of being locked in the open position in compliance with Section E4101.8 and simultaneously disconnects the heater, motor controller(s) and supplementary overcurrent protective devices from all ungrounded conductors. The provision for locking or adding a lock to the disconnecting means shall be installed on or at the switch or circuit breaker used as the disconnecting means and shall remain in place with or without the lock installed. The disconnecting means shall have an ampere rating not less than 125 percent of the total load of the motors and the heaters.
Heating equipment containing motors rated over 93.2 Watts ($\frac{1}{8}$ horsepower) without supplementary overcurrent protection.	Disconnecting means <i>in sight</i> from motor controller or is capable of being locked in the open position in compliance with Section E4101.8 and simultaneously disconnects the heater, motor controller(s) and supplementary overcurrent protective devices from all ungrounded conductors. The disconnecting means shall have an ampere rating not less than 125 percent of the total load of the motors and the heaters.
Air-conditioning condensing units and heat pump units.	A readily accessible disconnect <i>within sight</i> from unit as the only allowable means. ^a
Appliances and fixed heating equipment with unit switches having a marked OFF position.	Unit switch where an additional individual switch or circuit breaker serves as the other required disconnecting means.
Thermostatically controlled fixed heating equipment.	Thermostats with a marked OFF position that directly open all ungrounded conductors, which when manually placed in the OFF position are designed so that the circuit cannot be energized automatically and that are located <i>within sight</i> of the equipment controlled.

For Inch Pound Units: 1 kW = 1.340 horsepower .

- i. The disconnecting means shall be permitted to be installed on or within the unit. It shall not be located on panels designed to allow access to the unit or located so as to obscure the air-conditioning equipment nameplate(s).

CHAPTER 42

SWIMMING POOLS

ICC user note:

About this chapter: Chapter 42 addresses all aspects of wiring, fixtures, motors and electrical accessories for swimming pools, wading pools, hot tubs, spas and hydromassage bathtubs.

This chapter focuses on protection of occupants from electrical shock. The dangers of using electricity around water, wet surfaces, grounded surfaces and plumbing are well known, and this chapter is intended to minimize or eliminate those hazards.

SECTION E4201 GENERAL

E4201.1 Scope. The provisions of this chapter shall apply to the construction and installation of electric wiring and equipment associated with all swimming pools, wading pools, decorative pools, fountains, hot tubs and spas, and hydromassage bathtubs, whether permanently installed or storable, and shall apply to metallic auxiliary equipment, such as pumps, filters and similar equipment. Sections E4202 through E4206 provide general rules for permanent pools, spas and hot tubs. Section E4207 provides specific rules for storable pools and storable/portable spas and hot tubs. Section E4208 provides specific rules for spas and hot tubs. Section E4209 provides specific rules for hydromassage bathtubs. (680.1)

E4201.2 Definitions. (680.2)

CORD-AND-PLUG-CONNECTED LIGHTING ASSEMBLY. A lighting assembly consisting of a cord-and-plug-connected transformer and a luminaire intended for installation in the wall of a spa, hot tub, or storable pool.

DRY-NICHE LUMINAIRE. A luminaire intended for installation in the floor or wall of a pool, spa or fountain in a niche that is sealed against the entry of water.

FORMING SHELL. A structure designed to support a wet-niche luminaire assembly and intended for mounting in a pool or fountain structure.

FOUNTAIN. Fountains, ornamental pools, display pools, and reflection pools. The definition does not include drinking fountains.

HYDROMASSAGE BATHTUB. A permanently installed bathtub equipped with a recirculating piping system, pump, and associated equipment. It is designed so it can accept, circulate and discharge water upon each use.

LOW-VOLTAGE CONTACT LIMIT. A voltage not exceeding the following values:

1. 15 volts (RMS) for sinusoidal ac.
2. 21.2 volts peak for nonsinusoidal ac.
3. 30 volts for continuous dc.
4. 12.4 volts peak for dc that is interrupted at a rate of 10 to 200 Hz.

MAXIMUM WATER LEVEL. The highest level that water can reach before it spills out.

NO-NICHE LUMINAIRE. A luminaire intended for installation above or below the water without a niche.

PACKAGED SPA OR HOT TUB EQUIPMENT ASSEMBLY. A factory-fabricated unit consisting of water-circulating, heating and control equipment mounted on a common base, intended to operate a spa or hot tub. Equipment may include pumps, air blowers, heaters, luminaires, controls and sanitizer generators.

PERMANENTLY INSTALLED SWIMMING, WADING, IMMERSION AND THERAPEUTIC POOLS.

Those that are constructed in the ground or partially in the ground, and all others capable of holding water with a depth greater than 1,066 mm (42 inches), and all pools installed inside of a building, regardless of water depth, whether or not served by electrical circuits of any nature.

POOL. Manufactured or field-constructed equipment designed to contain water on a permanent or semipermanent basis and used for swimming, wading, immersion, or therapeutic purposes.

POOL COVER, ELECTRICALLY OPERATED. Motor-driven equipment designed to cover and uncover the water surface of a pool by means of a flexible sheet or rigid frame.

SELF-CONTAINED SPA OR HOT TUB. A factory-fabricated unit consisting of a spa or hot tub vessel with all water-circulating, heating and control equipment integral to the unit. Equipment may include pumps, air blowers, heaters, luminaires, controls and sanitizer generators.

SPA OR HOT TUB. A hydromassage pool, or tub for recreational or therapeutic use, not located in health care facilities, designed for immersion of users, and usually having a filter, heater, and motor-driven blower. They are installed indoors or outdoors, on the ground or supporting structure, or in the ground or supporting structure. Generally, a spa or hot tub is not designed or intended to have its contents drained or discharged after each use.

STORABLE SWIMMING, WADING OR IMMERSION POOLS; OR STORABLE/PORTABLE SPAS AND HOT TUBS. Swimming, wading, or immersion pools that are intended to be stored when not in use, that are constructed on or above the ground and that are capable of holding water

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with a maximum depth of 1,066 mm (42 inches), or a pool, spa, or hot tub that is constructed on or above the ground with nonmetallic, molded polymeric walls or inflatable fabric walls regardless of dimension.

THROUGH-WALL LIGHTING ASSEMBLY. A lighting assembly intended for installation above grade, on or through the wall of a pool, consisting of two interconnected groups of components separated by the pool wall.

WET-NICHE LUMINAIRE. A luminaire intended for installation in a forming shell mounted in a pool or fountain structure where the luminaire will be completely surrounded by water.

SECTION E4202 WIRING METHODS FOR POOLS, SPAS, HOT TUBS AND HYDROMASSAGE BATHTUBS

E4202.1 General. Wiring methods used in conjunction with permanently installed swimming pools, spas or hot tubs that are installed in corrosive environments described in Section E4202.2.1 shall comply with Table E4202.1, Sections

E4202.2 and E4205 and Chapter 38 except as otherwise stated in this section. Wiring methods used in conjunction with permanently installed swimming pools, spas or hot tubs that are not installed in corrosive environments shall comply with Chapter 38. Storable swimming pools shall comply with Section E4207. Hydromassage bathtubs shall comply with Section E4209. [680.7; 680.14 (A) and (B); 680.21(A); 680.23(B) and (F); 680.25(A); 680.42; 680.43; and 680.70]

E4202.2 Corrosive environment. Areas where pool sanitation chemicals are stored, areas with circulation pumps, automatic chlorinators or filters, open areas under decks adjacent to or abutting the pool structure and similar locations shall be considered to be corrosive environments. The air in such areas shall be considered to be laden with acid, chlorine and bromine vapours or any combination of acid, chlorine or bromine vapours; and any liquids or condensation in those areas shall be considered to be laden with acids, chlorine and bromine vapours, or any combination of acid, chlorine or bromine vapours. [680.14 (A)]

TABLE E4202.1^a
PERMITTED WIRING METHODS IN CORROSIVE ENVIRONMENTS

WIRING LOCATION OR PURPOSE (Application allowed where marked with an "A")	IMC ^b , RMC ^b , RNC ^c	LFMC	LFNMC	MC ^g	FLEX CORD
Panelboard(s) that supply pool equipment: from service equipment to panelboard	A ^f	—	A	—	—
Wet-niche and no-niche luminaires: from branch circuit OCPD to deck or junction box	A	—	A	—	—
Wet-niche and no-niche luminaires: from deck or junction box to forming shell	A ^j	—	A	—	A ^d
Dry niche: from branch circuit OCPD to luminaires	A	—	A	—	—
Pool-associated motors: from branch circuit OCPD to motor ^h	A	A ^c	A ^c	A	A ^d
Packaged or self-contained outdoor spas and hot tubs with underwater luminaire: from branch circuit OCPD to spa or hot tub	A	A	A	—	A ^d
Packaged or self-contained outdoor spas and hot tubs without underwater luminaire: from branch circuit OCPD to spa or hot tub	A	A	A	—	A ^d
Indoor spas and hot tubs, and other pool, spa or hot tub associated equipment: from branch circuit OCPD to equipment	A	A	A	—	A ^d
Connection at pool lighting transformers or power supplies	A	A ⁱ	A	—	—

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.00328 foot.

- a) For all wiring methods, see Section E4205 for equipment grounding conductor requirements.
- b) See Section E4202.2.1 for use of metal conduits in corrosive environments.
- c) Limited to where necessary to employ flexible connections at or adjacent to a pool motor.
- d) Flexible cord shall be installed in accordance with Section E4202.2.
- e) Nonmetallic conduit shall be rigid polyvinyl chloride conduit Type PVC or reinforced thermosetting resin conduit Type RTRC.
- f) Aluminum conduits shall not be permitted in the pool area where subject to corrosion.
- g) Where installed as direct burial cable or in wet locations, Type MC cable shall be listed and identified for the location.
- h) See Section E4202.3 for listed, double-insulated pool pump motors.
- i) Limited to use in individual lengths not to exceed 1,830 mm (6 feet). The total length of all individual runs of LFMC shall not exceed 3,050 mm (10 feet).
- j) Metal conduit shall be constructed of brass or other approved corrosion-resistant metal.

E4202.2.1 Wiring Methods. Wiring methods in the areas described in Section E4202.2 shall be listed and identified for use in such areas. Rigid metal conduit (RMC), intermediate metal conduit (IMC), rigid polyvinyl chloride conduit (RNC) and reinforced thermosetting resin conduit shall be considered to be resistant to the corrosive environment specified in Section E4202.2. [680.14 (B)]

E4202.3 Flexible cords. Flexible cords used in conjunction with a pool, spa, hot tub or hydromassage bathtub shall be installed in accordance with the following:

- a. For other than underwater luminaires, fixed or stationary equipment shall be permitted to be connected with a flexible cord to facilitate removal or disconnection for maintenance or repair. For other than storable pools, the flexible cord shall not exceed 915 mm (3 feet) in length. Cords that supply swimming pool equipment shall have a copper equipment grounding conductor not smaller than 12 AWG or 2.5 mm² metric and shall terminate in a grounding-type attachment plug. [680.8(A), (B), and (C); 680.21(A)(5)]
- b. Other than listed low-voltage lighting systems not requiring grounding, wet-niche luminaires that are supplied by a flexible cord or cable shall have all exposed noncurrent-carrying metal parts grounded by an insulated copper local grounding system conductor that is an integral part of the cord or cable. Such grounding conductor shall be connected to a grounding terminal in the supply junction box, transformer enclosure, or other enclosure and shall be not smaller than the supply conductors and not smaller than 16 AWG or 1.5 mm² metric. [680.23(B)(3)]
- c. A listed packaged spa or hot tub installed outdoors that is GFCI protected shall be permitted to be cord-and-plug-connected provided that such cord does not exceed 4,575 mm (15 feet) in length. [680.42(A)(2)]
- d. A listed packaged spa or hot tub rated at 20 amperes or less and installed indoors shall be permitted to be cord-and-plug-connected to facilitate maintenance and repair. (680.43 Exception No. 1)
- e. For other than underwater and storable pool lighting luminaire, the requirements of Item 1 shall apply to any cord-equipped luminaire that is located within 4,880 mm (16 feet) radially from any point on the water surface. [680.22(B)(5)]

E4202.4 Double insulated pool pumps. A listed cord- and plug-connected pool pump incorporating an approved system of double insulation that provides a means for grounding only the internal and nonaccessible, noncurrent-carrying metal parts of the pump shall be connected to any wiring method recognized in Chapter 38 that is suitable for the location. Where the bonding grid is connected to the equipment grounding conductor of the motor circuit in accordance with Section E4204.2, Item 6.1, the branch circuit wiring shall comply with Sections E4202.1 and E4205.5. [680.21(B)]

SECTION E4203 EQUIPMENT LOCATION AND CLEARANCES

E4203.1 Receptacle outlets. Receptacle outlets shall be installed and located in accordance with Sections E4203.1.1 through E4203.1.5. Distances shall be measured as the shortest path that an appliance supply cord connected to the receptacle would follow without penetrating a floor, wall, ceiling, doorway with hinged or sliding door, window opening, or other effective permanent barrier. [680.22(A)(5)]

E4203.1.1 Location. Receptacles that provide power for water-pump motors or other loads directly related to the circulation and sanitation system shall be of the grounding type, located not less than 1,830 mm (6 feet) from the inside walls of pools and outdoor spas and hot tubs, and ground-fault circuit-interrupter protected.

E4203.1.2 Other receptacles. Other receptacles on the property shall be located not less than 1,830 mm (6 feet) from the inside walls of pools and outdoor spas and hot tubs. [680.22 (A)(3)]

E4203.1.3 Where required. Not less than one 125-volt, 15- or 20-ampere receptacle supplied by a general-purpose branch circuit shall be located not less than 1,830 mm (6 feet) from and not more than 6,100 mm (20 feet) from the inside wall of permanently installed pools and outdoor spas and hot tubs. This receptacle shall be located not more than 1,980 mm (6 feet, 6 inches) above the floor, platform or grade level serving the pool, spa or hot tub. [680.22(A)(1)]

E4203.1.4 GFCI protection. All 15- and 20-ampere, single phase, 125-volt receptacles located within 6,100 mm (20 feet) of the inside walls of pools and outdoor spas and hot tubs shall be protected by a ground-fault circuit interrupter. Outlets supplying pool pump motors supplied from branch circuits rated at 120 volts through 240 volts, single phase, whether by receptacle or direct connection, shall be provided with ground-fault circuit-interrupter protection for personnel. [680.21(C) and 680.22(A)(4)]

E4203.1.5 Indoor locations. Receptacles shall be located not less than 1,830 mm (6 feet) from the inside walls of indoor spas and hot tubs. A minimum of one 125-volt receptacle shall be located between 1,830 mm (6 feet) and 3,050 mm (10 feet) from the inside walls of indoor spas or hot tubs. [680.43(A) and 680.43(A)(1)]

E4203.1.6 Indoor GFCI protection. All 125-volt receptacles rated 30 amperes or less and located within 3,050 mm (10 feet) of the inside walls of spas and hot tubs installed indoors, shall be protected by ground-fault circuit interrupters. [680.43(A)(2)]

E4203.2 Switching devices. Switching devices shall be located not less than 1,525 mm (5 feet) horizontally from the inside walls of pools, spas and hot tubs except where separated from the pool, spa or hot tub by a solid fence, wall, or other permanent barrier or the switches are listed for use within 1,525 mm (5 feet). Switching devices located in a room

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or area containing a hydromassage bathtub shall be located in accordance with the general requirements of this code. [680.22(C); 680.43(C); and 680.72]

E4203.3 Disconnecting means. One or more means to simultaneously disconnect all ungrounded conductors for all utilization equipment, other than lighting, shall be provided. Each of such means shall be readily accessible and within sight from the equipment it serves and shall be located at least 1,525 mm (5 feet) horizontally from the inside walls of a pool, spa, or hot tub unless separated from the open water by a permanently installed barrier that provides a 1,525 mm (5-foot) or greater reach path. This horizontal distance shall be measured from the water's edge along the shortest path required to reach the disconnect. (680.13)

E4203.4 Luminaires, equipment and ceiling fans. Lighting outlets, luminaires, equipment and ceiling-suspended paddle fans shall be installed and located in accordance with Sections E4203.4.1 through E4203.4.7. [680.22(B)]

E4203.4.1 Outdoor location. In outdoor pool, outdoor spas and outdoor hot tubs areas, luminaires, lighting outlets, and ceiling-suspended paddle fans shall not be installed over the pool or over the area extending 1,525 mm (5 feet) horizontally from the inside walls of a pool except where no part of the luminaire or ceiling-suspended paddle fan is less than 3,660 mm (12 feet) above the maximum water level. [680.22(B)(1)]

E4203.4.2 Indoor locations. In indoor pool areas, the limitations of Section E4203.4.1 shall apply except where the luminaires, lighting outlets and ceiling-suspended paddle fans comply with all of the following conditions:

- a) The luminaires are of a totally enclosed type.
- b) Ceiling-suspended paddle fans are identified for use beneath ceiling structures such as porches and patios.
- c) A ground-fault circuit interrupter is installed in the branch circuit supplying the luminaires or ceiling-suspended paddle fans.
- d) The distance from the bottom of the luminaire or ceiling-suspended paddle fan to the maximum water level is not less than 2,290 mm (7 feet, 6 inches). [680.22(B)(2)]

E4203.4.3 Low-voltage luminaires. Listed low-voltage luminaires not requiring grounding, not exceeding the

low-voltage contact limit, and supplied by listed trans- formers or power supplies that comply with Section E4206.1 shall be permitted to be located less than 1,525 mm (5 feet) from the inside walls of the pool. [680.22(B)(6)]

E4203.4.4 Existing lighting outlets and luminaires. Existing lighting outlets and luminaires that are located within 1,525 mm (5 feet) horizontally from the inside walls of pools and outdoor spas and hot tubs shall be permitted to be located not less than 1,525 mm (5 feet) vertically above the maximum water level, provided that such luminaires and outlets are rigidly attached to the existing structure and are protected by a ground-fault circuit interrupter. [680.22(B)(3)]

E4203.4.5 Indoor spas and hot tubs.

1. Luminaires, lighting outlets, and ceiling-suspended paddle fans located over the spa or hot tub or within 1,525 mm (5 feet) from the inside walls of the spa or hot tub shall be not less than 2,290 mm (7 feet, 6 inches) above the maximum water level and shall be protected by a ground-fault circuit interrupter. [680.43(B)(1)(b)]

Luminaires, lighting outlets, and ceiling-sus- pended paddle fans that are located 3,660 mm (12 feet) or more above the maximum water level shall not require ground-fault circuit interrupter protec- tion. [680.43(B)(1)(a)]

2. Luminaires protected by a ground-fault circuit inter- rupter and complying with Item 2.1 or 2.2 shall be permitted to be installed less than 2,290 mm (7 feet, 6 inches) over a spa or hot tub.
 - a. Recessed luminaires shall have a glass or plastic lens and nonmetallic or electrically isolated metal trim, and shall be suitable for use in damp locations.
 - b. Surface-mounted luminaires shall have a glass or plastic globe and a nonmetallic body or a metallic body isolated from contact. Such luminaires shall be suitable for use in damp locations. [680.43(B)(1)(c)(1) and (2)]

E4203.4.6 GFCI protection in adjacent areas. Lumi- naires, lighting outlets and ceiling-suspended paddle fans that are installed in the area extending between 1,525 mm (5 feet)**TABLE E4203.6 [Table 680.8(A)]**
OVERHEAD CONDUCTOR CLEARANCES

	INSULATED SUPPLY OR SERVICE DROP CABLES, 0-750 VOLTS TO GROUND, SUPPORTED ON AND CABLED TOGETHER WITH AN EFFECTIVELY GROUNDED BARE MESSENGER OR EFFECTIVELY GROUNDED NEUTRAL CONDUCTOR (millimetres)	ALL OTHER SUPPLY OR SERVICE DROP CONDUCTORS (feet)	
		Voltage to ground	
		0-15 kV	Greater than 15 to 50 kV
A. Clearance in any direction to the water level, edge of water surface, base of diving platform, or permanently anchored raft	6,860	7,620	8,230
B. Clearance in any direction to the diving platform	4,420	5,185	5,490

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.00328 foot.

and 3,050 mm (10 feet) from the inside walls of pools and outdoor spas and hot tubs shall be protected by ground-fault circuit interrupters except where such luminaires, lighting outlets and ceiling-suspended paddle fans are installed not less than 1,525 mm (5 feet) above the maximum water level and are rigidly attached to the structure. [680.22(B)(4)]

E4203.4.7 Low-voltage gas-fired luminaires, decorative fireplaces, fire pits and similar equipment. Listed low-voltage gas-fired luminaires, decorative fireplaces, fire pits and similar equipment that use low-voltage ignitors that do not require grounding, and that are supplied by listed transformers or power supplies that comply with Section E4206.1 with outputs that do not exceed the low-voltage contact limit, shall be permitted to be located less than 1,525 mm (5 feet) from the inside walls of the pool. Metallic equipment shall be bonded in accordance with the requirements in Section E4204.2. Transformers and power supplies supplying this type of equipment shall be installed in accordance with the requirements of Section E4206.9.1. Metallic gas piping shall be bonded in accordance with the requirements of Sections E3609.7 and 4204.2(7). [680.22 (B) (7)]

E4203.5 Other outlets. Other outlets such as for remote control, signaling, fire alarm and communications shall be not less than 3,050 mm (10 feet) from the inside walls of the pool. Measurements shall be determined in accordance with Section E4203.1. [680.22(D)]

E4203.6 Overhead conductor clearances. Except where installed with the clearances specified in Table E4203.6, the following parts of pools and outdoor spas and hot tubs shall not be placed under existing service-drop conductors, overhead service conductor, or any other open overhead wiring; nor shall such wiring be installed above the following:

- a. Pools and the areas extending not less than 3,050 mm (10 feet) horizontally from the inside of the walls of the pool.
- b. Diving structures and the areas extending not less than 3,050 mm (10 feet) horizontally from the outer edge of such structures.
- c. Observation stands, towers, and platforms and the areas extending not less than 3,050 mm (10 feet) horizontally from the outer edge of such structures.

Overhead conductors of network-powered broadband communications systems shall comply with the provisions in Table E4203.6 for conductors operating at 0 to 750 volts to ground.

Utility-owned, -operated and -maintained communications conductors, community antenna system coaxial cables and the supporting messengers shall be permitted at a height of not less than 3,050 mm (10 feet) above swimming and wading pools, diving structures, and observation stands, towers, and platforms. [680.8(A), (B), and (C)]

E4203.7 Underground wiring. Underground wiring shall not be installed under the pool except where this wiring is necessary to supply pool equipment permitted by this chapter. Underground wiring shall be installed in rigid metal conduit,

intermediate metal conduit, rigid polyvinyl chloride conduit, reinforced thermosetting resin conduit or Type MC cable, suitable for the conditions subject to that location. The minimum cover depth shall be in accordance with Table E3803.1. (680.11)

**SECTION E4204
BONDING**

E4204.1 Performance. The equipotential bonding required by this section shall be installed to reduce voltage gradients in the prescribed areas of permanently installed swimming pools and spas and hot tubs other than the storable/portable type.

E4204.2 Bonded parts. The parts of pools, spas, and hot tubs specified in Items 1 through 7 shall be bonded together using insulated, covered or bare solid copper conductors not smaller than 8 AWG or 6 mm² metric or using rigid metal conduit of brass or other identified corrosion-resistant metal. An 8 AWG or 6 mm² metric or larger solid copper bonding conductor provided to reduce voltage gradients in the pool, spa, or hot tub area shall not be required to be extended or attached to remote panelboards, service equipment, or electrodes. Connections shall be made by exothermic welding, by listed pressure connectors or clamps that are labelled as being suitable for the purpose and that are made of stainless steel, brass, copper or copper alloy, machine screw- type fasteners that engage not less than two threads or are secured with a nut, thread-forming machine screws that engage not less than two-threads, or terminal bars. Connection devices or fittings that depend solely on solder shall not be used. Sheet metal screws shall not be used to connect bonding conductors or connection devices: [680.26(B)]

1. Conductive pool shells. Bonding to conductive pool shells shall be provided as specified in Item 1.1 or 1.2. Poured concrete, pneumatically applied or sprayed concrete, and concrete block with painted or plastered coatings shall be considered to be conductive materials because of their water permeability and porosity. Vinyl liners and fiberglass composite shells shall be considered to be nonconductive materials.
 - a. Structural reinforcing steel. Unencapsulated structural reinforcing steel shall be bonded together by steel tie wires or the equivalent. Where structural reinforcing steel is encapsulated in a nonconductive compound, a copper conductor grid shall be installed in accordance with Item 1.2.
 - b. Copper conductor grid. A copper conductor grid shall be provided and shall comply with Items 1.2.1 through 1.2.4:
 - i. It shall be constructed of minimum 8 AWG or 6 mm² metric bare solid copper conductors bonded to each other at all points of crossing.
 - ii. It shall conform to the contour of the pool.
 - iii. It shall be arranged in a 305 mm by 305 mm (12-inch by 12-inch) network of conductors in a uniformly spaced

perpendicular grid pattern with a tolerance of 100 mm (4 inches).

- iv. It shall be secured within or under the pool not more than 150 mm (6 inches) from the outer contour of the pool shell. [680.26(B)(1)]

2. Perimeter surfaces. The perimeter surface to be bonded shall be considered to extend for 915 mm (3 feet) horizontally beyond the inside walls of the pool and shall include unpaved surfaces, poured concrete surfaces and other types of paving. Perimeter surfaces that are separated from the pool by a permanent wall or building 1,525 mm (5 feet) or more in height shall require equipotential bonding only on the pool side of the permanent wall or building. Bonding to perimeter surfaces shall be provided as specified in Item 2.1 or 2.2 and shall be attached to the pool, spa, or hot tub reinforcing steel or copper conductor grid at a minimum of four points uniformly spaced around the perimeter of the pool, spa, or hot tub. For nonconductive pool shells, bonding at four points shall not be required.

Exceptions:

- a. Equipotential bonding of perimeter surfaces shall not be required for spas and hot tubs where all of the following conditions apply:
 - a. The spa or hot tub is listed as a self-contained spa for above-ground use.
 - b. The spa or hot tub is not identified as suitable only for indoor use.
 - c. The installation is in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions and is located on or above grade.
 - d. The top rim of the spa or hot tub is not less than 710 mm (28 inches) above all perimeter surfaces that are within 760 mm (30 inches), measured horizontally from the spa or hot tub. The height of nonconductive external steps for entry to or exit from the self-contained spa is not used to reduce or increase this rim height measurement.
- b. The equipotential bonding requirements for perimeter surfaces shall not apply to a listed self-contained spa or hot tub located indoors and installed above a finished floor.
 - a. Structural reinforcing steel. Structural reinforcing steel shall be bonded in accordance with Item 1.1.
- b. Alternate means. Where structural reinforcing steel is not available or is encapsulated in a nonconductive compound, a copper conductor(s) shall be used in accordance with Items 2.2.1 through 2.2.5:
 - i. At least one minimum 8 AWG or 6 mm² metric bare solid copper conductor shall be provided.

- ii. The conductors shall follow the contour of the perimeter surface.

- iii. Splices shall be listed.

- iv. The required conductor shall be 455 to 610 mm (18 to 24 inches) from the inside walls of the pool.

- v. The required conductor shall be secured within or under the perimeter surface 100 to 150 mm (4 to 6 inches) below the subgrade. [680.26(B)(2)]

3. Metallic components. All metallic parts of the pool structure, including reinforcing metal not addressed in Item 1.1, shall be bonded. Where reinforcing steel is encapsulated with a nonconductive compound, the reinforcing steel shall not be required to be bonded. [680.26(B)(3)]

4. Underwater lighting. All metal forming shells and mounting brackets of no-niche luminaires shall be bonded. [680.26(B)(4)]

Exception: Listed low-voltage lighting systems with nonmetallic forming shells shall not require bonding. [680.26(B)(4) Exception]

5. Metal fittings. All metal fittings within or attached to the pool structure shall be bonded. Isolated parts that are not over 100 mm (4 inches) in any dimension and do not penetrate into the pool structure more than 25 mm (1 inch) shall not require bonding. [680.26(B)(5)]

6. Electrical equipment. Metal parts of electrical equipment associated with the pool water circulating system, including pump motors and metal parts of equipment associated with pool covers, including electric motors, shall be bonded. [680.26(B)(6)]

Exception: Metal parts of listed equipment incorporating an approved system of double insulation shall not be bonded. [680.26(B)(6) Exception]

- a. Double-insulated water pump motors. Where a double-insulated water pump motor is installed under the provisions of this item, a solid 8 AWG or 6 mm² metric copper conductor of sufficient length to make a bonding connection to a replacement motor shall be extended from the bonding grid to an accessible point in the vicinity of the pool pump motor. Where there is no connection between the swimming pool bonding grid and the equipment grounding system for the premises, this bonding conductor shall be connected to the equipment grounding conductor of the motor circuit. [680.26(B)(6)(a)]
- b. Pool water heaters. For pool water heaters rated at more than 50 amperes and having specific instructions regarding bonding and grounding, only those parts designated to be bonded shall be bonded and only those parts designated to be grounded shall be grounded. [680.26(B)(6)(b)]

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7. All fixed metal parts including, but not limited to, metal-sheathed cables and raceways, metal piping, metal awnings, metal fences and metal door and window frames. [680.26(B)(7)]

Exceptions:

- a. Those separated from the pool by a permanent barrier that prevents contact by a person shall not be required to be bonded. [680.26(B)(7) Exception No. 1]
- b. Those greater than 1,525 mm (5 feet) horizontally from the inside walls of the pool shall not be required to be bonded. [680.26(B)(7) Exception No. 2]
- c. Those greater than 3,660 mm (12 feet) measured vertically above the maximum water level of the pool, or as measured vertically above any observation stands, towers, or platforms, or any diving structures, shall not be required to be bonded. [680.26(B)(7) Exception No. 3]

E4204.3 Pool water. Where none of the bonded parts is in direct connection with the pool water, the pool water shall be in direct contact with an approved corrosion-resistant conductive surface that exposes not less than 5,800 mm² (9 square inches) of surface area to the pool water at all times. The conductive surface shall be located where it is not exposed to physical damage or dislodgement during usual pool activities, and it shall be bonded in accordance with Section E4204.2.

E4204.4 Bonding of outdoor hot tubs and spas. Outdoor hot tubs and spas shall comply with the bonding requirements of Sections E4204.1 through E4204.3. Bonding by metal-to-metal mounting on a common frame or base shall be permitted. The metal bands or hoops used to secure wooden staves shall not be required to be bonded as required in Section E4204.2. [680.42 and 680.42(B)]

E4204.5 Bonding of indoor hot tubs and spas. The following parts of indoor hot tubs and spas shall be bonded together:

1. All metal fittings within or attached to the hot tub or spa structure. [680.43(D)(1)]
2. Metal parts of electrical equipment associated with the hot tub or spa water circulating system, including pump motors unless part of a listed self-contained spa or hot tub. [680.43(D)(2)]
3. Metal raceway and metal piping that are within 1,525 mm (5 feet) of the inside walls of the hot tub or spa and that are not separated from the spa or hot tub by a permanent barrier. [680.43(D)(3)]
4. All metal surfaces that are within 1,525 mm (5 feet) of the inside walls of the hot tub or spa and that are not separated from the hot tub or spa area by a permanent barrier. [680.43(D)(4)]

Exception: Small conductive surfaces not likely to become energized, such as air and water jets and drain fittings, where not connected to metallic piping, towel bars, mirror frames, and similar nonelec-

trical equipment, shall not be required to be bonded. [680.43(D)(4) Exception]

5. Electrical devices and controls that are not associated with the hot tubs or spas and that are located less than 5 feet (1524 mm) from such units. [680.43(D)(5)]

E4204.5.1 Methods. All metal parts associated with the hot tub or spa shall be bonded by any of the following methods:

- a. The interconnection of threaded metal piping and fittings. [680.43(E)(1)]
- b. Metal-to-metal mounting on a common frame or base. [680.43(E)(2)]
- c. The provision of an insulated, covered or bare solid copper bonding jumper not smaller than 8 AWG or 6 mm² metric. It shall not be the intent to require that the 8 AWG or 6 mm² metric or larger solid copper bonding conductor be extended or attached to any remote panelboard, service equipment, or any electrode, but only that it shall be employed to eliminate voltage gradients in the hot tub or spa area as prescribed. [680.43(E)(3)]

E4204.5.2 Connections. Connections to bonded parts shall be made in accordance with Section E3406.14.1.

SECTION E4205 GROUNDING

E4205.1 Equipment to be grounded. The following equipment shall be grounded:

1. Through-wall lighting assemblies and underwater luminaires other than those low-voltage lighting products listed for the application without a grounding conductor.
2. All electrical equipment located within 1,525 mm (5 feet) of the inside wall of the pool, spa or hot tub.
3. All electrical equipment associated with the recirculating system of the pool, spa or hot tub.
4. Junction boxes.
5. Transformer and power supply enclosures.
6. Ground-fault circuit interrupters.
7. Panelboards that are not part of the service equipment and that supply any electrical equipment associated with the pool, spa or hot tub. (680.7)

E4205.2 Luminaires and related equipment. Where branch-circuit wiring on the supply side of enclosures and junction boxes connected to conduits run to underwater luminaires are installed in corrosive environments as described in Section E4202.2, the wiring method of that portion of the branch circuit shall be as required in Section E4202.2.1 or shall be liquid-tight flexible nonmetallic conduit (LFNMC). Where not installed in corrosive environments, branch circuits shall comply with Chapter 38. Wiring methods shall contain an insulated copper equipment grounding conductor sized in accordance with Table E3908.12 but not smaller than 12 AWG or 2.5 mm² metric. The equipment grounding conductor between the wiring chamber of the secondary winding of a transformer and a junction box shall be sized in accordance with the over-current device in such circuit.

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The insulated copper equipment grounding conductor shall be connected to all through-wall lighting assemblies, wet-niche, dry-niche, or no-niche luminaires other than listed low-voltage luminaires not requiring grounding. The junction box, transformer enclosure, or other enclosure in the supply circuit to a wet-niche or no-niche luminaire and the field-wiring chamber of a dry-niche luminaire shall be grounded to the equipment grounding terminal of the panelboard. The equipment grounding terminal shall be directly connected to the panelboard enclosure. The equipment grounding conductor shall be installed without joint or splice. [680.23(F)(1), (F)(2) and 680.23(F)(2) Exception]

Exceptions:

- a. Where more than one underwater luminaire is supplied by the same branch circuit, the equipment grounding conductor, installed between the junction boxes, transformer enclosures, or other enclosures in the supply circuit to wet-niche luminaires, or between the field-wiring compartments of dry-niche luminaires, shall be permitted to be terminated on grounding terminals. [680.23(F)(2)(a)]
- b. Where an underwater luminaire is supplied from a transformer, ground-fault circuit interrupter, clock-operated switch, or a manual snap switch that is located between the panelboard and a junction box connected to the conduit that extends directly to the underwater luminaire, the equipment grounding conductor shall be permitted to terminate on grounding terminals on the transformer, ground-fault circuit interrupter, clock-operated switch enclosure, or an outlet box used to enclose a snap switch. [680.23(F)(2)(b)]

E4205.3 Nonmetallic conduit. Where a nonmetallic conduit is installed between a forming shell and a junction box, transformer enclosure, or other enclosure, a 8 AWG or 6 mm² metric insulated copper bonding jumper shall be installed in this conduit except where a listed low-voltage lighting system not requiring grounding is used. The bonding jumper shall be terminated in the forming shell, junction box or transformer enclosure, or ground-fault circuit-interrupter enclosure. The termination of the 8 AWG or 6 mm² metric bonding jumper in the forming shell shall be covered with, or encapsulated in, a listed potting compound to protect such connection from the possible deteriorating effect of pool water. [680.23(B)(2)(b)]

E4205.4 Flexible cords. Other than listed low-voltage lighting systems not requiring grounding, wet-niche luminaires that are supplied by a flexible cord or cable shall have all exposed noncurrent-carrying metal parts grounded by an insulated copper equipment grounding conductor that is an integral part of the cord or cable. This grounding conductor shall be connected to a grounding terminal in the supply junction box, transformer enclosure, or other enclosure. The grounding conductor shall not be smaller than the supply conductors and not smaller than 16 AWG or 1.5 mm² metric. [680.23(B)(3)]

E4205.5 Pool motors. Wiring methods installed in the corrosive environment described in Section E4202.2.1 shall comply with Section E4202.2.2 or

shall be Type MC cable listed for that location. Wiring methods installed in corrosive environments described in Section E4202.2.1 shall contain an insulated copper equipment grounding conductor sized in accordance with Table E3908.12 but not smaller than 12 AWG or 2.5 mm² metric.

Where installed in noncorrosive environments, branch circuit wiring methods shall comply with Chapter 38. [680.21(A)(1)].

E4205.6 Feeders. These provisions shall apply to any feeder on the supply side of panelboards supplying branch circuits for pool equipment covered in this chapter and on the load side of the service equipment. Where feeders are installed in corrosive environments as described in Section E4202.2, the wiring method of that portion of the feeder shall comply with Section E4202.2.1 or shall be liquid-tight flexible nonmetallic conduit (LFNMC). Wiring methods installed in corrosive environments as described in Section E4202.2.1 shall contain an insulated copper equipment grounding conductor sized in accordance with Table E3908.12, but not smaller than 12 AWG or 2.5 mm² metric.

Where installed in noncorrosive environments, feeder wiring methods shall comply with Chapter 38. [680.25(A)].

E4205.7 Cord-connected equipment. Where fixed or stationary equipment is connected with a flexible cord to facilitate removal or disconnection for maintenance, repair, or storage, as provided in Section E4202.3, the equipment grounding conductors shall be connected to a fixed metal part of the assembly. The removable part shall be mounted on or bonded to the fixed metal part. [680.7(C)]

E4205.8 Other equipment. Other electrical equipment shall be grounded in accordance with Section E3908. (Article 250, Parts V, VI, and VII; and 680.6)

E4205.9 Grounding and bonding terminals. Grounding and bonding terminals shall be identified for use in wet and corrosive environments. Field-installed grounding and bonding connections in a damp, wet or corrosive environment shall be composed of copper, copper alloy or stainless steel and shall be listed for direct burial use. (680.7)

SECTION E4206 EQUIPMENT INSTALLATION

E4206.1 Transformers and power supplies. Transformers and power supplies used for the supply of underwater luminaires, together with the transformer or power supply enclosure, shall be listed, labelled and identified for swimming pool and spa use. The transformer or power supply shall incorporate either a transformer of the isolated-winding type with an ungrounded secondary that has a grounded metal barrier between the primary and secondary windings, or a transformer that incorporates an approved system of double insulation between the primary and secondary windings. [680.23(A)(2)]

E4206.2 Ground-fault circuit interrupters. Ground-fault circuit interrupters shall be self-contained units, circuit-breaker types, receptacle types or other approved types. (680.5)

E4206.3 Wiring on load side of ground-fault circuit interrupters and transformers. For other than grounding conductors, conductors installed on the load side of a ground-fault circuit interrupter or transformer used to comply with the provisions of Section E4206.4, shall not occupy raceways, boxes, or enclosures containing other conductors except where the other conductors are protected by ground-fault circuit interrupters or are grounding conductors. Supply conductors to a feed-through type ground-fault circuit interrupter shall be permitted in the same enclosure. Ground-fault circuit-interrupters shall be permitted in a panelboard that contains circuits protected by other than ground-fault circuit interrupters. [680.23(F)(3)]

E4206.4 Underwater luminaires. The design of an underwater luminaire supplied from a branch circuit either directly or by way of a transformer or power supply meeting the requirements of Section E4206.1, shall be such that, where the fixture is properly installed without a ground-fault circuit interrupter, there is no shock hazard with any likely combination of fault conditions during normal use (not relamping). In addition, ground-fault circuit-interrupter protection for personnel shall be installed in the branch circuit supplying luminaires operating at voltages greater than the low-voltage contact limit to protect personnel performing lamping, relamping or servicing. The installation of the ground-fault circuit interrupter shall be such that there is no shock hazard with any likely fault-condition combination that involves a person in a conductive path from any ungrounded part of the branch circuit or the luminaire to ground. Compliance with this requirement shall be obtained by the use of a listed underwater luminaire and by installation of a listed ground-fault circuit-interrupter in the branch circuit or a listed transformer or power supply for luminaires operating at more than the low-voltage contact limit. Luminaires that depend on submersion for safe operation shall be inherently protected against the hazards of overheating when not submerged. [680.23(A)(1), (A)(3), (A)(7) and (A)(8)]

E4206.4.1 Maximum voltage. Luminaires shall not be installed for operation on supply circuits over 150 volts between conductors. [680.23(A)(4)]

E4206.4.2 Luminaire location. Luminaires mounted in walls shall be installed with the top of the fixture lens not less than 455 mm (18 inches) below the normal water level of the pool, except where the luminaire is listed and identified for use at a depth of not less than 100 mm (4 inches) below the normal water level of the pool. A luminaire facing upward shall have the lens adequately guarded to prevent contact by any person or shall be listed for use without a guard. [680.23(A)(5) and (A)(6)]

E4206.5 Wet-niche luminaires. Forming shells shall be installed for the mounting of all wet-niche underwater luminaires and shall be equipped with provisions for conduit entries. Conduit shall extend from the forming shell to a suitable junction box or other enclosure located as provided in Section E4206.9. Metal parts of the luminaire and forming shell in contact with the pool water shall be of brass or other approved corrosion-resistant metal. [680.23(B)(1)]

The end of flexible-cord jackets and flexible-cord conductor terminations within a luminaire shall be covered with, or encapsulated in, a suitable potting compound to prevent the entry of water into the luminaire through the cord or its conductors. If present, the grounding connection within a luminaire shall be similarly treated to protect such connection from the deteriorating effect of pool water in the event of water entry into the luminaire. [680.23(B)(4)]

Luminaires shall be bonded to and secured to the forming shell by a positive locking device that ensures a low-resistance contact and requires a tool to remove the luminaire from the forming shell. [680.23(B)(5)]

E4206.5.1 Servicing. All wet-niche luminaires shall be removable from the water for inspection, relamping, or other maintenance. The forming shell location and length of cord in the forming shell shall permit personnel to place the removed luminaire on the deck or other dry location for such maintenance. The luminaire maintenance location shall be accessible without entering or going into the pool water. [680.23(B)(6)]

E4206.6 Dry-niche luminaires. Dry-niche luminaires shall have provisions for drainage of water. Other than listed low-voltage luminaires not requiring grounding, a dry-niche luminaire shall have means for accommodating one equipment grounding conductor for each conduit entry. Junction boxes shall not be required but, if used, shall not be required to be elevated or located as specified in Section E4206.9 if the luminaire is specifically identified for the purpose. [680.23(C)(1) and (C)(2)]

E4206.7 No-niche luminaires. No-niche luminaires shall be listed for the purpose and shall be installed in accordance with the requirements of Section E4206.5. Where connection to a forming shell is specified, the connection shall be to the mounting bracket. [680.23(D)]

E4206.8 Through-wall lighting assembly. A through-wall lighting assembly shall be equipped with a threaded entry or hub, or a nonmetallic hub, for the purpose of accommodating the termination of the supply conduit. A through-wall lighting assembly shall meet the construction requirements of Section E4205.4 and be installed in accordance with the requirements of Section E4206.5. Where connection to a forming shell is specified, the connection shall be to the conduit termination point. [680.23(E)]

E4206.9 Junction boxes and enclosures for transformers or ground-fault circuit interrupters. Junction boxes for underwater luminaires and enclosures for transformers and ground-fault circuit interrupters that supply underwater luminaires shall comply with Sections E4206.9.1 through E4206.9.5. [680.24(A)]

E4206.9.1 Junction boxes. A junction box connected to a conduit that extends directly to a forming shell or mounting bracket of a no-niche luminaire shall be:

1. Listed as a swimming pool junction box; [680.24(A)(1)]
2. Equipped with threaded entries or hubs or a nonmetallic hub; [680.24(A)(1)(1)]

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3. Constructed of copper, brass, suitable plastic, or other approved corrosion-resistant material; [680.24(A)(1)(2)]
4. Provided with electrical continuity between every connected metal conduit and the grounding terminals by means of copper, brass, or other approved corrosion-resistant metal that is integral with the box; and [680.24(A)(1)(3)]
5. Located not less than 100 mm (4 inches), measured from the inside of the bottom of the box, above the ground level, or pool deck, or not less than 205 mm (8 inches) above the maximum pool water level, whichever provides the greatest elevation, and shall be located not less than 1,220 mm (4 feet) from the inside wall of the pool, unless separated from the pool by a solid fence, wall or other permanent barrier. Where used on a lighting system operating at the low-voltage contact limit or less, a flush deck box shall be permitted provided that an approved potting compound is used to fill the box to prevent the entrance of moisture; and the flush deck box is located not less than 1,220 mm (4 feet) from the inside wall of the pool. [680.24(A)(2)]

E4206.9.2 Other enclosures. An enclosure for a transformer, ground-fault circuit interrupter or a similar device connected to a conduit that extends directly to a forming shell or mounting bracket of a no-niche luminaire shall be:

1. Listed and labelled for the purpose, comprised of copper, brass, suitable plastic, or other approved corrosion-resistant material; [680.24(B)(1)]
2. Equipped with threaded entries or hubs or a nonmetallic hub; [680.24(B)(2)]
3. Provided with an approved seal, such as duct seal at the conduit connection, that prevents circulation of air between the conduit and the enclosures; [680.24(B)(3)]
4. Provided with electrical continuity between every connected metal conduit and the grounding terminals by means of copper, brass or other approved corrosion-resistant metal that is integral with the enclosures; and [680.24(B)(4)]
5. Located not less than 100 mm (4 inches), measured from the inside bottom of the enclosure, above the ground level or pool deck, or not less than 205 mm (8 inches) above the maximum pool water level, whichever provides the greater elevation, and shall be located not less than 100 mm (4 feet) from the inside wall of the pool, except where separated from the pool by a solid fence, wall or other permanent barrier. [680.24(B)(2)]

E4206.9.3 Protection of junction boxes and enclosures. Junction boxes and enclosures mounted above the grade of the finished walkway around the pool shall not be located in the walkway unless afforded additional protection, such as by location under diving boards or adjacent to fixed structures. [680.24(C)]

E4206.9.4 Grounding terminals. Junction boxes, transformer and power supply enclosures, and ground-fault circuit-interrupter enclosures connected to a conduit that extends directly to a forming shell or mounting bracket of a no-niche luminaire shall be provided with grounding terminals in a quantity not less than the number of conduit entries plus one. [680.24(D)]

E4206.9.5 Strain relief. The termination of a flexible cord of an underwater luminaire within a junction box, transformer or power supply enclosure, ground-fault circuit interrupter, or other enclosure shall be provided with a strain relief. [680.24(E)]

E4206.10 Underwater audio equipment. Underwater audio equipment shall be identified for the purpose. [680.27(A)]

E4206.10.1 Speakers. Each speaker shall be mounted in an approved metal forming shell, the front of which is enclosed by a captive metal screen, or equivalent, that is bonded to and secured to the forming shell by a positive locking device that ensures a low-resistance contact and requires a tool to open for installation or servicing of the speaker. The forming shell shall be installed in a recess in the wall or floor of the pool. [680.27(A)(1)]

E4206.10.2 Wiring methods. Rigid metal conduit of brass or other identified corrosion-resistant metal, rigid polyvinyl chloride conduit, rigid thermosetting resin conduit or liquid-tight flexible nonmetallic conduit (LFNC-B) shall extend from the forming shell to a suitable junction box or other enclosure as provided in Section E4206.9. Where rigid nonmetallic conduit or liquid-tight flexible nonmetallic conduit is used, an 8 AWG or 6 mm² metric solid or stranded insulated copper bonding jumper shall be installed in this conduit with provisions for terminating in the forming shell and the junction box. The termination of the 8 AWG or 6 mm² metric bonding jumper in the forming shell shall be covered with, or encapsulated in, a suitable potting compound to protect such connection from the possible deteriorating effect of pool water. [680.27(A)(2)]

E4206.10.3 Forming shell and metal screen. The forming shell and metal screen shall be of brass or other approved corrosion-resistant metal. Forming shells shall include provisions for terminating an 8 AWG or 6 mm² metric copper conductor. [680.27(A)(3)]

E4206.11 Electrically operated pool covers. The electric motors, controllers, and wiring for pool covers shall be located not less than 1,525 mm (5 feet) from the inside wall of the pool except where separated from the pool by a wall, cover, or other permanent barrier. Electric motors installed below grade level shall be of the totally enclosed type. The electric motor and controller shall be connected to a branch circuit protected by a ground-fault circuit interrupter. The device that controls the operation of the motor for an electrically operated pool cover shall be located so that the operator has full view of the pool.

Exceptions:

1. Motors that are part of listed systems with ratings not exceeding the low-voltage contact limit and that are supplied by listed transformers or power sup-

plies that comply with Section E4206.1 shall be permitted to be located less than 1,525 mm (5 feet) from the inside walls of the pool.

2. Motors that are part of listed systems with ratings not exceeding the low-voltage contact limit and that are supplied by listed transformers or power supplies that comply with Section E4206.1 shall not be required to be connected to a branch circuit protected by a ground fault circuit-interrupter. [680.27(B)(1) and (B)(2)]

E4206.12 Electric pool water heaters. Electric pool water heaters shall have the heating elements subdivided into loads not exceeding 48 amperes and protected at not more than 60 amperes. The ampacity of the branch-circuit conductors and the rating or setting of overcurrent protective devices shall be not less than 125 percent of the total nameplate load rating. (680.9)

E4206.13 Pool area heating. The provisions of Sections E4206.13.1 through E4206.13.3 shall apply to all pool deck areas, including a covered pool, where electrically operated comfort heating units are installed within 6,100 mm (20 feet) of the inside wall of the pool. [680.27(C)]

E4206.13.1 Unit heaters. Unit heaters shall be rigidly mounted to the structure and shall be of the totally enclosed or guarded types. Unit heaters shall not be mounted over the pool or within the area extending 1,525 mm (5 feet) horizontally from the inside walls of a pool. [680.27(C)(1)]

E4206.13.2 Permanently wired radiant heaters. Electric radiant heaters shall be suitably guarded and securely fastened to their mounting devices. Heaters shall not be installed over a pool or within the area extending 1,525 mm (5 feet) horizontally from the inside walls of the pool and shall be mounted not less than 3,660 mm (12 feet) vertically above the pool deck. [680.27(C)(2)]

E4206.13.3 Radiant heating cables prohibited. Radiant heating cables embedded in or below the deck shall be prohibited. [680.27(C)(3)]

SECTION E4207 STORABLE SWIMMING POOLS, STORABLE SPAS, AND STORABLE HOT TUBS

E4207.1 Pumps. A cord and plug-connected pool filter pump for use with storable pools shall incorporate an approved system of double insulation or its equivalent and shall be provided with means for grounding only the internal and nonaccessible noncurrent-carrying metal parts of the appliance.

The means for grounding shall be an equipment grounding conductor run with the power-supply conductors in a flexible cord that is properly terminated in a grounding-type attachment plug having a fixed grounding contact. Cord and plug-connected pool filter pumps shall be provided with a ground-fault circuit-interrupter that is an integral part of the attachment plug or located in the power supply cord within 305 mm (12 inches) of the attachment plug. (680.31)

E4207.2 Ground-fault circuit interrupters required. Electrical equipment, including power-supply cords, used with storable pools shall be protected by ground-fault circuit interrupters. 125-volt, 15- and 20-ampere receptacles located within 6,100 mm (20 feet) of the inside walls of a storable pool, storable spa, or storable hot tub shall be protected by a ground-fault circuit interrupter. In determining these dimensions, the distance to be measured shall be the shortest path that the supply cord of an appliance connected to the receptacle would follow without passing through a floor, wall, ceiling, doorway with hinged or sliding door, window opening, or other effective permanent barrier. (680.32)

E4207.3 Luminaires. Luminaires for storable pools, storable spas, and storable hot tubs shall not have exposed metal parts and shall be listed for the purpose as an assembly. In addition, luminaires for storable pools shall comply with the requirements of Section E4207.3.1 or E4207.3.2. (680.33)

E4207.3.1 Within the low-voltage contact limit. A luminaire installed in or on the wall of a storable pool shall be part of a cord and plug-connected lighting assembly. The assembly shall:

1. Have a luminaire lamp that is suitable for the use at the supplied voltage;
2. Have an impact-resistant polymeric lens, luminaire body, and transformer enclosure;
3. Have a transformer meeting the requirements of section E4206.1 with a primary rating not over 150 volts; and
4. Have no exposed metal parts. [680.33(A)]

E4207.3.2 Over the low-voltage contact limit but not over 150 volts. A lighting assembly without a transformer or power supply, and with the luminaire lamp(s) operating at over the low-voltage contact limit, but not over 150 volts, shall be permitted to be cord and plug-connected where the assembly is listed as an assembly for the purpose and complies with all of the following:

1. It has an impact-resistant polymeric lens and luminaire body.
2. A ground-fault circuit interrupter with open neutral conductor protection is provided as an integral part of the assembly.
3. The luminaire lamp is permanently connected to the ground-fault circuit interrupter with open-neutral protection.
4. It complies with the requirements of Section E4206.4.
5. It has no exposed metal parts. [680.33(B)]

E4207.4 Receptacle locations. Receptacles shall be located not less than 1,830 mm (6 feet) from the inside walls of a storable pool, storable spa or storable hot tub. In determining these dimensions, the distance to be measured shall be the shortest path that the supply cord of an appliance connected to the receptacle would follow without passing through a floor, wall, ceiling, doorway with hinged or sliding door, window opening, or other effective permanent barrier. (680.34)

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E4207.5 Clearances. Overhead conductor installations shall comply with Section E4203.6 and underground conductor installations shall comply with Section E4203.7.

E4207.6 Disconnecting means. Disconnecting means for storable pools and storable/portable spas and hot tubs shall comply with Section E4203.3.

E4207.7 Ground-fault circuit interrupters. Ground fault circuit interrupters shall comply with Section E4206.2.

E4207.8 Grounding of equipment. Equipment shall be grounded as required by Section E4205.1.

E4207.9 Pool water heaters. Electric pool water heaters shall comply with Section E4206.12.

SECTION E4208 SPAS AND HOT TUBS

E4208.1 Ground-fault circuit interrupters. The outlet(s) that supplies a self-contained spa or hot tub, or a packaged spa or hot tub equipment assembly, or a field-assembled spa or hot tub with a heater load of 50 amperes or less, shall be protected by a ground-fault circuit interrupter. (680.44)

A listed self-contained unit or listed packaged equipment assembly marked to indicate that integral ground-fault circuit-interrupter protection is provided for all electrical parts within the unit or assembly, including pumps, air blowers, heaters, lights, controls, sanitizer generators and wiring, shall not require that the outlet supply be protected by a ground-fault circuit-interrupter. [680.44(A)]

E4208.2 Electric water heaters. Electric spa and hot tub water heaters shall be listed and shall have the heating elements subdivided into loads not exceeding 48 amperes and protected at not more than 60 amperes. The ampacity of the branch-circuit conductors, and the rating or setting of over-current protective devices, shall be not less than 125 percent of the total nameplate load rating. (680.9)

E4208.3 Underwater audio equipment. Underwater audio equipment used with spas and hot tubs shall comply with the provisions of Section E4206.10. [680.43(G)]

E4208.4 Emergency switch for spas and hot tubs. A clearly labelled emergency shutoff or control switch for the purpose of stopping the motor(s) that provides power to the recirculation system and jet system shall be installed at a point that is readily accessible to the users, adjacent to and within sight of the spa or hot tub and not less than 1,525 mm (5 feet) away from the spa or hot tub. This requirement shall not apply to one-family dwellings. (680.41)

SECTION E4209 HYDROMASSAGE BATHTUBS

E4209.1 General. Installations of hydromassage bathtubs shall be required to comply only with Section E4209. The

branch circuit wiring method(s) supplying a hydromassage bathtub shall comply with Chapter 38.

E4209.2 Ground-fault circuit interrupters. Hydromassage bathtubs and their associated electrical components shall be supplied by an individual branch circuit(s) and protected by a readily accessible ground-fault circuit interrupter. All 125-volt, single-phase receptacles not exceeding 30 amperes and located within 1,830 mm (6 feet) measured horizontally of the inside walls of a hydromassage tub shall be protected by a ground-fault circuit interrupter(s). (680.71)

E4209.3 Other electric equipment. Luminaires, switches, receptacles, and other electrical equipment located in the same room, and not directly associated with a hydromassage bathtub, shall be installed in accordance with the requirements of this code relative to the installation of electrical equipment in bathrooms. (680.72)

E4209.4 Accessibility. Hydromassage bathtub electrical equipment shall be accessible without damaging the building structure or building finish. Where the hydromassage bathtub is cord- and plug-connected with the supply receptacle accessible only through a service access opening, the receptacle shall be installed so that its face is within direct view and not more than 305 mm (12 inches) from the plane of the opening. (680.73)

E4209.5 Bonded parts. The following parts shall be bonded together:

1. Metal fittings within or attached to the tub structure that are in contact with the circulating water.
2. Metal parts of electrical equipment associated with the tub water circulating system, including the pump and blower motors.
3. Metal-sheathed cables and raceways and metal piping that are within 1,525 mm (5 feet) of the inside walls of the tub and that are not separated from the tub area by a permanent barrier.
4. Exposed metal surfaces that are within 1,525 mm (5 feet) of the inside walls of the tub and not separated from the tub area by a permanent barrier.
5. Electrical devices and controls that are not associated with the hydromassage tubs and that are located within 1,525 mm (5 feet) from such units.

Exceptions:

- a. Double-insulated motors and blowers shall not be bonded.
- b. Small conductive surfaces not likely to become energized, such as air and water jets, supply valve assemblies and drain fittings not connected to metal piping, and towel bars, mirror frames and similar nonelectric equipment not connected to metal framing shall not be required to be bonded.

E4209.6 Method of bonding. Metal parts required to be bonded by this section shall be bonded together using a solid copper bonding jumper, insulated, covered or bare, not smaller than 8 AWG or 6 mm² metric. The bonding jumper(s) shall be required for equipotential bonding in the area of the hydromassage bathtub and shall not be required to be extended or attached to any remote panelboard, service equipment, or electrode. In all installations, a bonding jumper long enough to terminate on a replacement nondouble-insulated pump or blower motor shall be provided and shall be terminated to the equipment grounding conductor of the branch circuit of the motor where a double-insulated circulating pump or blower motor is used. (680.74)

CHAPTER 43

CLASS 2 REMOTE-CONTROL, SIGNALING AND POWER-LIMITED CIRCUITS

ICC user note:

About this chapter: Chapter 43 covers low-voltage power-limited circuits such as alarm, door bell, remote control and signaling circuits.

SECTION E4301 GENERAL

E4301.1 Scope. This chapter contains requirements for power supplies and wiring methods associated with Class 2 remote-control, signaling, and power-limited circuits that are not an integral part of a device or appliance. Other classes of remote-control, signaling and power-limited conductors shall comply with Article 725 of the Jamaica Electrical Code . (725.1)

E4301.2 Definitions.

CLASS 2 CIRCUIT. That portion of the wiring system between the load side of a Class 2 power source and the connected equipment. Due to its power limitations, a Class 2 circuit considers safety from a fire initiation standpoint and provides acceptable protection from electric shock. (725.2)

REMOTE-CONTROL CIRCUIT. Any electrical circuit that controls any other circuit through a relay or an equivalent device. (Article 100)

SIGNALING CIRCUIT. Any electrical circuit that energizes signaling equipment. (Article 100)

SECTION E4302 POWER SOURCES

E4302.1 Power sources for Class 2 circuits. The power source for a Class 2 circuit shall be one of the following:

- i. A listed Class 2 transformer.
- ii. A listed Class 2 power supply.
- iii. Other listed equipment marked to identify the Class 2 power source.
- iv. Listed audio/video information technology (computer) communications and industrial equipment limited power circuits.
- v. A dry-cell battery provided that the voltage is 30 volts or less and the capacity is equal to or less than that available from series connected No. 6 carbon zinc cells. [725.121(A)]

E4302.2 Interconnection of power sources. A Class 2 power source shall not have its output connections paralleled or otherwise interconnected with another Class 2 power source except where listed for such interconnection. [725.121(B)]

SECTION E4303 WIRING METHODS

E4303.1 Wiring methods on supply side of Class 2 power source. Conductors and equipment on the supply side of the power source shall be installed in accordance with the appropriate requirements of Chapters 34 through 41. Transformers or other devices supplied from electric light or power circuits shall be protected by an over-current device rated at not over 20 amperes. The input leads of a transformer or other power source supplying Class 2 circuits shall be permitted to be smaller than 14 AWG or 1.5 mm² metric, if not over 305 mm (12 inches) long and if the conductor insulation is rated at not less than 600 volts. In no case shall such leads be smaller than 18 AWG or 1.5 mm² . (725.127 and 725.127 Exception)

E4303.2 Wiring methods and materials on load side of the Class 2 power source. Class 2 cables installed as wiring within buildings shall be listed as being resistant to the spread of fire and listed as meeting the criteria specified in Sections E4303.2.1 through E4303.2.3. Cables shall be marked in accordance with Section E4303.2.4. Cable substitutions as described in Table E4303.2 and wiring methods covered in Chapter 38 shall also be permitted. (725.130 (B); 725.133; 725.135 (A), (C), (G) and (M); 725.154; Table 725.154; Figure 725.154 (A); and 725.179)

**TABLE E4303.2
CABLE USES AND PERMITTED SUBSTITUTIONS
[Figure 725.154(A)]**

CABLE TYPE	USE	PERMITTED SUBSTITUTIONS ^a
CL2P	Class 2 Plenum Cable	CMP, CL3P
CL2R	Class 2 Plenum Cable	CMP, CL3P, CL2P, CMR, CL3R
CL2	Class 2 Cable	CMP, CL3P, CL2P, CMR, CL3R, CL2R CMG, CM, CL3
CL2X	Class 2 Cable, Limited Use	CMP, CL3P CL2P, CMR, CL3R, CL2R, CMG, CM, CL3, CL2, CMX, CL3X

1. For identification of cables other than Class 2 cables, see NFPA 70.

E4303.2.1 Type CL2P cables. Cables installed in ducts, plenums and other spaces for environmental air shall be Type CL2P cables listed as suitable for the use and listed as having adequate fire-resistant and low smoke-producing characteristics. [725.179(A)]

E4303.2.2 Type CL2 cables. Cables for general-purpose use, shall be listed as resistant to the spread of fire and listed for the use. [725.179 (C)]

E4303.2.3 Type CL2X cables. Type CL2X limited-use cable shall be listed as suitable for use in dwellings and raceways and shall be listed as resistant to flame spread. [725.179 (D)]

E4303.2.4 Type CL2R cables. Cables installed in a vertical run in a shaft or installed from floor to floor shall be listed as suitable for use in a vertical run in a shaft or from floor to floor and shall be listed as having fire-resistant characteristics capable of preventing fire from being conveyed from floor to floor. [725.179(B)]

Exception: CL2X and CL3X cables with a diameter of less than 6.35 mm (1/4 inch) and CL2P, CL3P, CL3R, CL2 and CL3 cables shall be permitted in risers in one- and two-family dwelling units. [725.133 (G)]

E4303.2.5 Marking. Cables shall be marked in accordance with Table E4303.2.5. Voltage ratings shall not be marked on cables.

**Table E4303.2.5 [Table 725.179(J)]
CABLE MARKING**

CABLE MARKING	TYPE
CL2P	Class 2 plenum cable
CL2R	Class 2 riser cable
CL2	Class 2 cable
CL2X	Class 2 cable, limited use

SECTION E4304 INSTALLATION REQUIREMENTS

E4304.1 Separation from other conductors. In cables, compartments, enclosures, outlet boxes, device boxes, and raceways, conductors of Class 2 circuits shall not be placed in any cable, compartment, enclosure, outlet box, device box, raceway, or similar fitting with conductors of electric light, power, Class 1 and nonpower-limited fire alarm circuits. [725.136]

Exceptions:

- a. Where the conductors of the electric light, power, Class 1 and nonpower-limited fire alarm circuits are separated by a barrier from the Class 2 circuits. In enclosures, Class 2 circuits shall be permitted to be installed in a raceway within the enclosure to separate them from Class 1, electric light, power and nonpower-limited fire alarm circuits. [725.136(B)]
- b. Class 2 conductors in compartments, enclosures, device boxes, outlet boxes and similar fittings where electric light, power, Class 1 or nonpower-limited fire alarm circuit conductors are introduced solely to connect to the equipment connected to the Class 2 circuits. The electric light, power, Class 1 and nonpower-limited fire alarm circuit conductors shall be routed to maintain a minimum of 6.35 mm (1/4 inch) separation from the conductors and cables of the Class 2 circuits; or the electric light power, Class 1 and nonpower-limited fire alarm circuit conductors

operate at 150 volts or less to ground and the Class 2 circuits are installed using Types CL3, CL3R, or CL3P or permitted substitute cables, and provided that these Class 3 cable conductors extending beyond their jacket are separated by a minimum of 6.35 mm (1/4 inch) or by a nonconductive sleeve or nonconductive barrier from all other conductors. [725.136(D)]

E4304.2 Other applications. Conductors of Class 2 circuits shall be separated by not less than 51 mm (2 inches) from conductors of any electric light, power, Class 1 or nonpower-limited fire alarm circuits except where one of the following conditions is met:

1. All of the electric light, power, Class 1 and nonpower-limited fire alarm circuit conductors are in raceways or in metal-sheathed, metal-clad, nonmetallic-sheathed or Type UF cables.
2. All of the Class 2 circuit conductors are in raceways or in metal-sheathed, metal-clad, nonmetallic-sheathed or Type UF cables. [725.136(I)]

E4304.3 Class 2 circuits with communications circuits. Where Class 2 circuit conductors are in the same cable as communications circuits, the Class 2 circuits shall be classified as communications circuits and shall meet the requirements of Article 800 of the Jamaica Electrical Code. The cables shall be listed as communications cables or multipurpose cables.

Cables constructed of individually listed Class 2 and communications cables under a common jacket shall be permitted to be classified as communications cables. The fire-resistance rating of the composite cable shall be determined by the performance of the composite cable. [725.139(D)(1)]

E4304.4 Class 2 cables with other circuit cables. Jacketed cables of Class 2 circuits shall be permitted in the same enclosure or raceway with jacketed cables of any of the following:

1. Power-limited fire alarm systems in compliance with Article 760 of the Jamaica Electrical Code.
2. Nonconductive and conductive optical fiber cables in compliance with Article 770 of the Jamaica Electrical Code.
3. Communications circuits in compliance with Article 800 of the Jamaica Electrical Code.
4. Community antenna television and radio distribution systems in compliance with Article 820 of the Jamaica Electrical Code.
5. Low-power, network-powered broadband communications in compliance with Article 830 of the Jamaica Electrical Code. [725.139(E)]

E4304.5 Installation of conductors and cables. Cables and conductors installed exposed on the surface of ceilings and sidewalls shall be supported by the building structure in such a manner that they will not be damaged by normal building use. Such cables shall be supported by straps, staples, hangers, cable ties or similar fittings designed so as to not damage the cable. Nonmetallic cable ties and other nonmetallic accessories used to secure and support cables located in stud cavity and joist space plenums shall be listed as having low smoke

and heat release properties. The installation shall comply with Table E3802.1 regarding cables run parallel with framing members and furring strips. The installation of wires and cables shall not prevent access to equipment nor prevent removal of panels, including suspended ceiling panels. Race- ways shall not be used as a means of support for Class 2 circuit conductors, except where the supporting raceway contains conductors supplying power to the functionally associated equipment controlled by the Class 2 conductors. [300.11 (C) (2), 300.22 (C) (1) and 725.24]

Part IX—Referenced Standards

CHAPTER 44 REFERENCED STANDARDS

User note:

About this chapter: *The one- and two-family dwelling code contains numerous references to standards promulgated by other organizations that are used to provide requirements for materials, products and methods of construction. Chapter 44 contains a comprehensive list of all standards that are referenced in this code. These standards, in essence, are part of this code to the extent of the reference to the standard.*

This chapter lists the standards that are referenced in various sections of this document. The standards are listed herein by the promulgating agency of the standard, the standard identification, the effective date and title, and the section or sections of this document that reference the standard. The application of the referenced standards shall be as specified in Section R102.4.

AAMA

American Architectural Manufacturers Association
1827 Walden Office Square, Suite 550
Schaumburg, IL 60173

AAMA/WDMA/CSA 101/LS.2/A440—17: North American Fenestration Standards/Specifications for Windows, Doors and Skylights
R308.6.9, R609.3, N1102.4.3

450—10: Voluntary Performance Rating Method for Mullled Fenestration Assemblies
R609.8

506—16: Voluntary Specifications for Hurricane Impact and Cycle Testing of Fenestration Products
R609.6.1

711—13: Voluntary Specification for Self-adhering Flashing Used for Installation of Exterior Wall Fenestration Products
R703.4

712—14: Voluntary Specification for Mechanically Attached Flexible Flashing
R703.4

714—15: Voluntary Specification for Liquid Applied Flashing Used to Create a Water-resistive Seal around Exterior Wall Openings in Buildings
R703.4

AAMA/NPEA/NSA 2100—12: Specifications for Sunrooms
R301.2.1.1.1

ACCA

Air Conditioning Contractors of America
2800 Shirlington Road, Suite 300
Arlington, VA 22206

Manual D—2016: Residential Duct Systems
Table R301.2(1), M1601.1, M1602.2

Manual J—2016: Residential Load Calculation—Eighth Edition
N1103.7, M1401.3

Manual S—2014: Residential Equipment Selection
N1103.7, M1401.3

ACI

American Concrete Institute
38800 Country Club Drive
Farmington Hills, MI 48331

318—14: Building Code Requirements for Structural Concrete
R301.2.2.2.5, R402.2, Table R404.1.2(2), Table R404.1.2(5), Table R404.1.2(6), Table R404.1.2(7),
Table R404.1.2(8), R404.1.3, R404.1.3.1, R404.1.3.3, R404.1.3.4, R404.1.4.2, R404.5.1, R608.1,
R608.1.1, R608.1.2, R608.2, R608.5.1, R608.6.1, R608.8.2, R608.9.2, R608.9.3

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332—14: Residential Code Requirements for Structural Concrete

R402.2, R403.1, R404.1.3, R404.1.3.4, R404.1.4.2, R506.1

AISI

American Iron and Steel Institute
25 Massachusetts Avenue, NW Suite 800
Washington, DC 20001

AISI S100—16: North American Specification for the Design of Cold-formed Steel Structural Members, 2016

R608.9.2, R608.9.3

AISI S220—15: North American Standard for Cold-formed Steel Framing—Nonstructural Members, 2015

R702.3.3

AISI S230—15: Standard for Cold-formed Steel Framing—Prescriptive Method for One- and Two-family Dwellings, 2015

R301.1.1, R301.2.1.1, R301.2.2.7, R301.2.2.8, R603.6, R603.9.4.1, R603.9.4.2, R608.9.2, R608.9.3,
Figure 608.9(11), R608.10

AISI S240—15: North American Standard for Cold-Formed Steel Structural Framing

R505.1.3, R603.6, R702.3.3, R804.3.6

AMCA

Air Movement and Control Association International
30 West University Drive
Arlington Heights, IL 60004

ANSI/AMCA 210-ANSI/ASHRAE 51—07: Laboratory Methods of Testing Fans for Aerodynamic Performance Rating

Table M1505.3

ANCE

Association of the Electric Sector
Av. Lázaro Cardenas No. 869
Col. Nueva Industrial Vallejo
C.P. 07700 México D.F.

NMX-J-521/2-40-ANCE—2014/CAN/CSA-22.2 No. 60335-2-40—12/UL 60335-2-40: Safety of Household and Similar Electric Appliances, Part 2-40: Particular Requirements for Heat Pumps, Air-Conditioners and Dehumidifiers

M1403.1, M1412.1, M1413.1

ANSI

American National Standards Institute
25 West 43rd Street, 4th Floor
New York, NY 10036

A108.1A—16: Installation of Ceramic Tile in the Wet-set Method, with Portland Cement Mortar

R702.4.1

A108.1B—99: Installation of Ceramic Tile, Quarry Tile on a Cured Portland Cement Mortar Setting Bed with Dry-set or Latex Portland Mortar

R702.4.1

A108.4—99: Installation of Ceramic Tile with Organic Adhesives or Water-Cleanable Tile-setting Epoxy Adhesive

R702.4.1

A108.5—99: Installation of Ceramic Tile with Dry-set Portland Cement Mortar or Latex Portland Cement Mortar

R702.4.1

A108.6—99: Installation of Ceramic Tile with Chemical-resistant, Water-cleanable Tile-setting and -grouting Epoxy

R702.4.1

A108.11—99: Interior Installation of Cementitious Backer Units

R702.4.1

ANSI 117—2015: Standard Specifications for Structural Glued Laminated Timber of Softwood Species

R502.1.3, R602.1.3, R802.1.3

A118.1—16: American National Standard Specifications for Dry-set Portland Cement Mortar

R702.4.1

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- A118.3—13: American National Standard Specifications for Chemical-resistant, Water-cleanable Tile-setting and -grouting Epoxy, and Water-cleanable Tile-setting Epoxy Adhesive**
R702.4.1
- A118.4—16: American National Standard Specifications for Modified Dry-Set Cement Mortar**
R606.2.11
- A118.10—99: Specification for Load-bearing, Bonded, Waterproof Membranes for Thin-set Ceramic Tile and Dimension Stone Installation**
P2709.2, P2709.2.4
- A136.1—08: American National Standard Specifications for Organic Adhesives for Installation of Ceramic Tile**
R702.4.1
- A137.1—17: American National Standard Specifications for Ceramic Tile**
R702.4.1
- LC1/CSA 6.26—13: Fuel Gas Piping Systems Using Corrugated Stainless Steel Tubing (CSST)**
G2414.5.4, G2411.3, G2415.5
- LC4/CSA 6.32—12: Press-connect Metallic Fittings for Use in Fuel Gas Distribution Systems**
G2414.10.1, G2414.10.2, G2414.10.3, G2415.5
- Z21.1—2010: Household Cooking Gas Appliances**
G2447.1, M1503.2
- Z21.5.1/CSA 7.1—14: Gas Clothes Dryers—Volume I—Type I Clothes Dryers**
G2438.1
- Z21.8—94 (R2002): Installation of Domestic Gas Conversion Burners**
G2443.1
- Z21.10.1/CSA 4.1—12: Gas Water Heaters—Volume I—Storage Water Heaters with Input Ratings of 75,000 Btu per hour or Less**
G2448.1
- Z21.10.3/CSA 4.3—11: Gas Water Heaters—Volume III—Storage Water Heaters with Input Ratings above 75,000 Btu per hour, Circulating and Instantaneous**
G2448.1
- Z21.11.2—11: Gas-fired Room Heaters—Volume II—Unvented Room Heaters**
G2445.1
- Z21.13/CSA 4.9—11: Gas-fired Low-pressure Steam and Hot Water Boilers**
G2452.1
- Z21.15/CSA 9.1—09: Manually Operated Gas Valves for Appliances, Appliance Connector Valves and Hose End Valves**
Table G2420.1.1
- Z21.22—99 (R2003): Relief Valves for Hot Water Supply Systems—with Addenda Z21.22a—2000 (R2003) and 21.22b—2001 (R2003)**
P2804.2, P2804.7
- Z21.24/CSA 6.10—06: Connectors for Gas Appliances**
G2422.1, G2422.2
- Z21.40.1/CSA 2.91—96 (R2011): Gas-fired, Heat-activated Air-conditioning and Heat Pump Appliances**
G2449.1
- Z21.40.2/CSA 2.92—96 (R2011): Air-conditioning and Heat Pump Appliances (Thermal Combustion)**
G2449.1
- Z21.42—2014: Gas-fired Illuminating Appliances**
G2450.1
- Z21.47/CSA 2.3—12: Gas-fired Central Furnaces**
G2442.1
- Z21.50/CSA 2.22—16: Vented Gas Fireplaces**
G2434.1
- Z21.54—2009: Gas Hose Connectors for Portable Outdoor Gas-fired Appliances**
G2422.1
- Z21.56/CSA 4.7—17: Gas-fired Pool Heaters**
G2441.1

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G2447.1
- Z21.60/CSA 2.26—12: Decorative Gas Appliances for Installation in Solid Fuel-burning Fireplaces**
G2432.1
- Z21.69/CSA 6.16—09: Connectors for Movable Gas Appliances**
G2422.1.5
- Z21.75/CSA 6.27—07: Connectors for Outdoor Gas Appliances and Manufactured Homes**
G2422.1
- Z21.80/CSA 6.22—11: Line Pressure Regulators**
G2421.1
- ANSI/CSA FC 1—12: Stationary Fuel Cell Power Systems**
M1903.1
- Z21.84—12: Manually Listed, Natural Gas Decorative Gas Appliances for Installation in Solid Fuel-burning Fireplaces**
G2432.1, G2432.2
- Z21.86/CSA 2.32—08: Gas-fired Vented Space Heating Appliances**
G2436.1, G2437.1, G2446.1
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G2435.1
- Z21.91—07: Ventless Firebox Enclosures for Gas-fired Unvented Decorative Room Heaters**
G2445.7.1
- Z21.93/CSA 6.30—13: Excess Flow Valves for Natural and LP Gas with Pressures up to 5 psig**
G2421.4
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G2454.1
- Z83.6—90 (R1998): Gas-fired Infrared Heaters**
G2451.1
- Z83.8/CSA 2.6—09: Gas-fired Unit Heaters, Gas Packaged Heaters, Gas Utility Heaters and Gas-fired Duct Furnaces**
G2444.1
- Z83.19—01 (R2009): Gas-fuel High-intensity Infrared Heaters**
G2451.1
- Z83.20—08: Gas-fired Low-intensity Infrared Heaters Outdoor Decorative Appliances**
G2451.1
- Z97.1—2014: Safety Glazing Materials Used in Buildings—Safety Performance Specifications and Methods of Test**
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APA

APA—The Engineered Wood Association
7011 South 19th
Tacoma, WA 98466

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R502.1.3, R602.1.3, R802.1.2
- ANSI/APA PRP 210—2014: Standard for Performance-rated Engineered Wood Siding**
R604.1, Table R703.3(1), R703.3.4
- ANSI/APA PRG 320—2017: Standard for Performance-rated Cross Laminated Timber**
R502.1.6, R602.1.6, R802.1.6
- ANSI/APA PRR 410—2016: Standard for Performance-rated Engineered Wood Rim Boards**
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- ANSI/APA PRS 610.1—2013: Standard for Performance-Rated Structural Insulated Panels in Wall Applications**
R602.1.11, R610.3, R610.4
- APA E30—15: Engineered Wood Construction Guide**
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APSP

The Association of Pool & Spa Professionals
211 Eisenhower Avenue, Suite 500
Alexander, VA 22314

ANSI/APSP/ICC 14—2014: American National Standard for Portable Electric Spa Energy Efficiency
N1103.11

ANSI/APSP/ICC 15a—2011: American National Standard for Residential Swimming Pool and Spa Energy Efficiency—includes Appendix A Approved January 9, 2013
N1103.12

ASCE/SEI

American Society of Civil Engineers
Structural Engineering Institute
1801 Alexander Bell Drive
Reston, VA 20191-4400

7—16: Minimum Design Loads and Associated Criteria for Buildings and Other Structures
R301.2.1.1, R301.2.1.2, R301.2.1.2.1, R301.2.1.5, R301.2.1.5.1, Table R608.6(1), Table R608.6(2),
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R608.9.3, R609.2, R609.6.2, AH107.4.3

24—14: Flood-resistant Design and Construction
R301.2.4, R301.2.4.1, R322.1, R322.1.1, R322.1.6, R322.1.9, R322.2.2, R322.3.3

32—01: Design and Construction of Frost-protected Shallow Foundations
R403.1.4.1

ASHRAE

ASHRAE
1791 Tullie Circle NE
Atlanta, GA 30329

ASHRAE—2001: 2001 ASHRAE Handbook of Fundamentals
Table N1105.5.2(1)

ASHRAE—2017: ASHRAE Handbook of Fundamentals
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ASHRAE 193—2010(RA 2014): Method of Test for Determining Air Tightness of HVAC Equipment
N1103.3.2.1

34—2016: Designation and Safety Classification of Refrigerants
M1411.1

ASME

American Society of Mechanical Engineers
Two Park Avenue
New York, NY 10016-5990

ASME A17.1—2016/CSA B44—16: Safety Code for Elevators and Escalators
R321.1

A18.1—2014: Safety Standard for Platforms and Stairway Chair Lifts
R321.2

A112.1.2—2012: Air Gaps in Plumbing Systems (For Plumbing Fixtures and Water Connected Receptors)
P2717.1, Table P2902.3, P2902.3.1

A112.1.3—2000 (Reaffirmed 2015): Air Gap Fittings for Use with Plumbing Fixtures, Appliances and Appurtenances
Table P2701.1, P2717.1, Table P2902.3, P2902.3.1

A112.3.1—2007(R2012): Stainless Steel Drainage Systems for Sanitary, DWV, Storm and Vacuum Applications Above and Below Ground
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P2722.5
- A112.4.3—1999 (R2010): Plastic Fittings for Connecting Water Closets to the Sanitary Drainage System**
P3003.14
- A112.4.14—2004 (R2016): Manually Operated, Quarter-turn Shutoff Valves for Use in Plumbing Systems**
Table P2903.9.4
- A112.6.2—2000 (R2016): Framing-affixed Supports for Off-the-floor Water Closets with Concealed Tanks**
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- A112.6.3—2001 (R2016): Floor and Trench Drains**
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- A112.14.1—03(2012): Backwater Valves**
P3008.3
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- A112.18.2—2015/CSA B125.2—2015: Plumbing Waste Fittings**
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- A112.18.3—2002(R2012): Performance Requirements for Backflow Protection Devices and Systems in Plumbing Fixture Fittings**
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- A112.18.6—2017/CSA B125.6—17: Flexible Water Connectors**
P2906.7
- A112.19.1—2013/CSA B45.2—2013: Enameled Cast-iron and Enameled Steel Plumbing Fixtures**
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- A112.19.2—2013/CSA B45.1—2013: Ceramic Plumbing Fixtures**
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- A112.19.3—2008/CSA B45.4—08 (R2013): Stainless Steel Plumbing Fixtures**
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- A112.19.5—2017/CSA B45.15—2017: Flush Valves and Spuds for Water-closets, Urinals and Tanks**
Table P2701.1
- A112.19.7—2017/CSA B45.10—2017: Hydromassage Bathtub Systems**
Table P2701.1
- A112.19.12—2014: Wall-mounted and Pedestal-mounted, Adjustable, Elevating, Tilting, and Pivoting Lavatory and Sink, and Shampoo Bowl Carrier Systems and Drain Waste Systems**
Table P2701.1, P2711.4, P2714.2
- A112.19.14—2013: Six-Liter Water Closets Equipped with Dual Flushing Device**
P2712.1
- A112.19.15—2012: Bathtub/Whirlpool Bathtubs with Pressure-sealed Doors**
Table P2701.1, P2713.2
- A112.36.2m—1991 (R2012): Cleanouts**
P3005.2.10.2
- ASSE 1002—2015/ASME A112.1002—2015/CSA B125.12—15: Anti-Siphon Fill Valves**
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- B1.20.1—2013: Pipe Threads, General-purpose (Inch)**
G2414.9, P3003.3.3, P3003.6.4, P3003.7.1, P3003.9.3
- B16.3—2016: Malleable-iron-threaded Fittings, 150 and 300**
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- B16.4—2016: Gray-iron-threaded Fittings**
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- B16.9—2012: Factory-made, Wrought-steel Buttwelding Fittings**
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- B16.11—2016: Forged Fittings, Socket-welding and Threaded**
Table P2906.6
- B16.12—2009 (R2014): Cast-iron-threaded Drainage Fittings**
Table P3002.3
- B16.15—2013: Cast-Alloy-threaded Fittings: Classes 125 and 250**
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- B16.18—2012: Cast-copper-alloy Solder Joint Pressure Fittings**
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- B16.23—2016: Cast-copper-alloy Solder Joint Drainage Fittings (DWV)**
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- B16.34—2015: Valves—Flanged, Threaded and Welding End**
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- B16.44—2012: Manually Operated Metallic Gas Valves for Use in Above-ground Piping Systems up to 5 psi**
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G2414.4.2
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M2001.1.1, G2452.1
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- ASSE 1070—2015/ASME A112.1070—2015/CSA B125.70—15: Performance Requirements for Water-temperature-limiting Devices**
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ASSE

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- 1001—2016: Performance Requirements for Atmospheric-type Vacuum Breakers**
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- 1003—2009: Performance Requirements for Water-pressure-reducing Valves for Domestic Water Distribution Systems**
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- 1044—2010: Performance Requirements for Trap Seal Primer Devices Drainage Types and Electronic Design Types**
P3201.2.1.3
- 1047—2017: Performance Requirements for Reduced Pressure Detector Fire Protection Backflow Prevention Assemblies**
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- 1048—2017: Performance Requirements for Double Check Detector Fire Protection Backflow Prevention Assemblies**
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- 1050—2009: Performance Requirements for Stack Air Admittance Valves for Sanitary Drainage Systems**
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- 1051—2009: Performance Requirements for Individual and Branch-type Air Admittance Valves for Plumbing Drainage Systems**
P3114.1
- 1052—2016: Performance Requirements for Hose Connection Backflow Preventers**
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- 1056—2013: Performance Requirements for Spill-resistant Vacuum Breakers**
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1072—2007: Performance Requirements for Barrier-type Floor Drain Trap Seal Protection Devices
P3201.2.1.4

ASTM

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West Conshohocken, PA 19428

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APPENDIX A

SIZING AND CAPACITIES OF GAS PIPING

This appendix is mandatory and is part of this code. This appendix is an excerpt from the 2020 Jamaica Fuel Gas Code, coordinated with the section numbering of the Jamaica Small Building/Residential Code.

User note:

About this appendix: Appendix A provides commentary, guidance and examples for sizing of gas piping systems.

A.1 General piping considerations. The first goal of determining the pipe sizing for a fuel gas *piping* system is to make sure that there is sufficient gas pressure at the inlet to each *appliance*. The majority of systems are residential and the appliances will all have the same, or nearly the same, requirement for minimum gas pressure at the *appliance* inlet. This pressure will be about 1.25 kPa {5-inch water column (w.c.)}, which is enough for proper operation of the *appliance* regulator to deliver about 0.875 kPa {3.5-inches water column (w.c.)} to the burner itself. The pressure drop in the *piping* is subtracted from the source delivery pressure to verify that the minimum is available at the *appliance*.

There are other systems, however, where the required inlet pressure to the different appliances is quite varied. In such cases, the greatest inlet pressure required shall be satisfied, as well as the farthest *appliance*, which is almost always the critical *appliance* in small systems.

There is an additional requirement to be observed besides the capacity of the system at 100-percent flow. That requirement is that at minimum flow, the pressure at the inlet to any *appliance* does not exceed the pressure rating of the *appliance* regulator. This would seldom be of concern in small systems if the source pressure is 3.5 kPa { $\frac{1}{2}$ psi (14-inch w.c.)} or less but it should be verified for systems with greater gas pressure at the point of supply.

To determine the size of *piping* used in a gas *piping* system, the following factors shall be considered:

- i. Allowable loss in pressure from *point of delivery* to *appliance*.
- ii. Maximum gas demand.
- iii. Length of *piping* and number of fittings.
- iv. Specific gravity of the gas.
- v. Diversity factor.

For any gas *piping* system or special *appliance*, or for conditions other than those covered by the tables provided in this code such as longer runs, greater gas demands or greater pressure drops, the size of each gas *piping* system should be determined by standard engineering practices acceptable to the Local Authority.

A.2 Description of tables.

A.2.1 General. The quantity of gas to be provided at each *outlet* should be determined, whenever possible, directly from the manufacturer's gas input Watts (Btu/h) rating of the *appliance* that will be installed. In case the ratings of the appliances to be installed are not known, Table 402.2 shows the approximate consumption in Watts

(Btu per hour) of certain types of typical household appliances.

To obtain the cubic meter per hour (cubic feet per hour) of gas required, divide the total Watts (Btu/h) input of all appliances by the average Joules (Btu) heating value per cubic feet of the gas. The average Watts (Btu per cubic feet) of the gas in the area of the installation can be obtained from the serving gas supplier.

A.2.2 Low pressure natural gas tables. Capacities for gas at low pressure [less than 13.8 kPa gauge (2.0 psig)] in cubic metres per hour (cubic feet per hour) of 0.60 specific gravity gas for different sizes and lengths are shown in Tables 402.4(1) and 402.4(2) of the JFGC for iron pipe or equivalent rigid pipe; in Tables 402.4(8) through 402.4(11) of the JFGC for smooth wall semirigid tubing; and in Tables 402.4(15) through 402.4(17) of the JFGC for corrugated stainless steel tubing. Tables 402.4(1) and 402.4(6) of the JFGC are based on a pressure drop of 75 Pa (0.3-inch w.c.), whereas Tables 402.4(2), 402.4(9) and 402.4(15) are based on a pressure drop of 125 Pa (0.5-inch w.c.). Tables 402.4(3), 402.4(4), 402.4(10), 402.4(11), 402.4(16) and 402.4(17) are special low-pressure applications based on pressure drops greater than 125 Pa (0.5-inch w.c.). In using these tables, an allowance (in equivalent length of pipe) should be considered for any *piping* run with four or more fittings (see Table A.2.2).

A.2.3 Undiluted liquefied petroleum tables. Capacities in thousands of Watts (Btu per hour) of undiluted liquefied petroleum gases based on a pressure drop of 125 kPa (0.5-inch w.c.) for different sizes and lengths are shown in Table 402.4(28) for iron pipe or equivalent rigid pipe, in Table 402.4(30) for smooth wall semi-rigid tubing, in Table 402.4(32) for corrugated stainless steel tubing, and in Tables 402.4(35) and 402.4(37) for polyethylene plastic pipe and tubing. Tables 402.4(33) and 402.4(34) for corrugated stainless steel tubing and Table 402.4(36) for polyethylene plastic pipe are based on operating pressures greater than 3.5 kPa { $\frac{1}{2}$ pounds per square inch (psi)} and pressure drops greater than 125 Pa (0.5-inch w.c.). In using these tables, an allowance (in equivalent length of pipe) should be considered for any *piping* run with four or more fittings [see Table A.2.2].

A.2.4 Natural gas specific gravity. Gas *piping* systems that are to be supplied with gas of a specific gravity of 0.70 or less can be sized directly from the tables provided in this code, unless the Local Authority specifies that a gravity factor be applied. Where the specific gravity of the gas is greater than 0.70, the gravity factor should be applied.

TABLE A.2.2
EQUIVALENT LENGTHS OF PIPE FITTINGS AND VALVES

		SCREWED FITTINGS ¹				90° WELDING ELBOWS AND SMOOTH BENDS ²					
		45°/EII	90°/EII	180° close return bends	Tee	R/d = 1	R/d = 1 1/3	R/d = 2	R/d = 4	R/d = 6	R/d = 8
k factor =		0.42	0.90	2.00	1.80	0.48	0.36	0.27	0.21	0.27	0.36
L/d' ratio ⁴ n =			30	67	60	16	12	9	7	9	12
Nominal pipe size, millimetres	Inside diameter d, millimetres, Schedule 40 ⁶	L = Equivalent Length In Millimetres of Schedule 40 (Standard-weight) Straight Pipe ⁶									
12.7	15.80	222.65	472.75	1,058.35	945.50	253.15	189.10	143.35	109.80	143.35	189.10
19	20.93	292.80	628.30	1,403.00	1,256.60	335.50	250.10	189.10	146.40	189.10	250.10
25	26.64	372.10	799.10	1,775.10	1,598.20	427.00	320.25	240.95	186.05	240.95	320.25
32	35.05	491.05	1,052.25	2,336.30	2,104.50	561.20	420.90	314.15	247.05	314.15	420.90
38	40.89	573.40	1,226.10	2,729.75	2,452.20	652.70	491.05	369.05	286.70	369.05	491.05
51	52.50	735.05	1,576.85	3,507.50	3,151.50	841.80	631.35	472.75	369.05	472.75	631.35
64	62.71	878.40	1,878.80	4,178.50	3,751.50	1,003.45	753.35	564.25	439.20	564.25	753.35
76	77.93	1,091.90	2,339.35	5,215.20	4,666.50	1,247.45	936.35	701.50	545.95	701.50	936.35
100	102.26	1,433.50	3,080.40	6,832.00	6,161.00	1,637.85	1,229.15	921.10	716.75	921.10	1,229.15
125	128.19	1,793.40	3,843.00	8,540.00	7,686.00	2,049.60	1,540.25	1,152.90	896.70	1,152.90	1,540.25
150	154.05	2,156.35	4,636.00	10,309.00	9,272.00	2,467.45	1,851.35	1,387.75	1,079.70	1,387.75	1,851.35
205	202.72	2,839.55	6,100.00	13,603.00	12,200.0	3,233.00	2,433.90	1,823.98	1,418.25	1,823.98	2,433.90
255	254.51	3,568.50	7,625.00	16,988.50	15,250.00	4,056.50	3,050.00	2,290.55	1,784.25	2,290.55	3,050.00
305	606.55	4,239.50	9,089.00	20,221.50	18,178.00	4,849.50	3,629.50	2,729.75	2,122.80	2,729.75	3,629.50
355	333.50	4,666.50	10,004.00	22,265.00	20,008.00	5,337.50	3,995.50	3,004.25	2,333.25	3,004.25	3,995.50
405	381.00	5,337.50	11,437.50	25,467.50	22,875.00	6,100.00	4,575.00	3,416.00	2,668.75	3,416.00	4,575.00
455	428.75	6,008.50	12,840.50	28,609.00	25,681.00	6,862.50	5,154.50	3,873.50	3,004.25	3,873.50	5,154.50
510	477.77	6,710.00	14,335.00	32,025.00	28,670.00	7,655.50	5,734.00	4,300.50	3,355.0	4,300.50	5,734.00
610	574.80	8,052.00	17,263.00	38,430.00	34,465.00	9,211.00	6,893.00	5,185.00	4,026.00	5,185.00	6,893.00

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TABLE A.2.2—continued
EQUIVALENT LENGTHS OF PIPE FITTINGS AND VALVES

		MITER ELBOWS ³ (No. of miters)					WELDING TEES		VALVES (screwed, flanged, or welded)				
		1-45°	1-60°	1-90°	2-90° ⁵	3-90° ⁵	Forged	Mite r ³	Gat e	Globe	Angle	Swing Check	
k factor =		0.45	0.90	1.80	0.60	0.45	1.35	1.80	0.2 1	10	5.0	2.5	
L/d' ratio ⁴ n =		15	30	60	20	15	45	60	7	333	167	83	
Nominal pipe size, millimetres	Inside diameter d, millimetres, Schedule 40 ⁶	L = Equivalent Length In Millimetres of Schedule 40 (Standard-weight) Straight Pipe ⁶											
		12.7	15.80	237.90	472.75	945.50	317.20	237.90	710.65	945.50	109.80	5,276.50	2,638.25
	19	20.93	314.15	628.30	1,256.60	417.85	314.15	942.45	1,256.60	146.40	6,984.50	3,477.00	1,744.60
	25	26.64	399.55	799.10	1,598.20	533.75	399.55	1,198.65	1,598.20	186.05	8,875.50	4,453.00	2,217.35
	32	35.05	524.60	1,052.25	2,104.50	701.50	524.60	1,576.85	2,104.50	247.05	11,681.50	5,825.50	2,921.90
	38	40.89	613.05	1,226.10	2,452.20	817.40	613.05	1,842.20	2,452.20	286.70	13,633.50	6,832.00	3,416.00
	51	52.50	786.90	1,576.85	3,141.50	1,052.25	786.90	2,363.75	3,141.50	369.05	17,507.00	8,753.50	4,392.00
	64	62.71	939.40	1,878.80	3,751.50	1,253.55	939.40	2,821.25	3,751.50	439.20	20,892.50	10,461.50	5,215.50

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76	77.93	1,171.20	2,339.35	4,666.50	1,558.55	1,171.20	3,507.50	4,666.50	545.95	25,986.00	12,993.00	6,496.50
100	102.26	1,537.20	3,080.50	6,161.00	2,046.55	1,537.20	4,605.50	6,161.00	716.75	34,160.00	17,080.00	8,540.00
125	128.19	1,921.50	3,843.00	7,686.00	2,562.00	1,921.50	5,764.50	7,686.00	896.70	42,700.00	21,350.00	10,675.00
150	154.05	2,311.90	4,636.00	9,272.00	3,080.50	2,311.90	6,954.00	9,272.00	1,079.70	51,240.00	25,650.50	12,840.50
205	202.72	3,040.85	6,100.00	12,200.00	4,056.50	3,040.85	9,119.50	12,200.00	1,418.25	67,710.00	33,855.00	16,927.50
255	254.51	3,812.50	7,625.00	15,250.00	5,093.50	3,812.50	11,468.00	15,250.00	1,784.25	84,790.00	42,395.00	21,197.50
305	606.55	4,544.50	9,089.00	18,178.00	6,069.50	4,544.50	13,664.00	18,178.00	2,122.80	101,260.00	50,630.00	25,315.00
355	333.50	5,002.00	10,004.00	20,008.00	6,679.50	5,002.00	15,006.00	20,008.00	2,333.25	111,020.00	55,510.00	27,755.00
405	381.00	5,734.00	11,437.50	22,875.00	7,625.00	5,734.00	17,141.00	22,875.00	2,668.75	127,185.00	63,440.00	31,720.00
455	428.75	6,435.50	12,840.50	25,681.00	8,570.50	6,435.50	19,276.00	25,681.00	3,004.25	143,045.00	71,370.00	35,685.00
510	477.77	7,167.50	14,335.00	28,670.00	9,577.00	7,167.50	21,533.00	28,670.00	3,355.00	159,210.00	79,605.00	39,955.00
610	574.80	8,631.50	17,263.00	34,465.00	11,529.00	8,631.50	25,925.00	34,465.00	4,026.00	191,845.00	95,770.00	47,885.00

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.0032787 foot, 1 degree = 0.01745 rad.

Note: Values for welded fittings are for conditions where bore is not obstructed by weld spatter or backing rings. If appreciably obstructed, use values for "Screwed Fittings."

1. Flanged fittings have three-fourths the resistance of screwed elbows and tees.
2. Tabular figures give the extra resistance due to curvature alone to which should be added the full length of travel.
 3. Small size socket-welding fittings are equivalent to miter elbows and miter tees.
4. Equivalent resistance in number of diameters of straight pipe computed for a value of $(f - 0.0075)$ from the relation $(n - k/4f)$.
5. For condition of minimum resistance where the centerline length of each miter is between d and $2\frac{1}{2}d$.
6. For pipe having other inside diameters, the equivalent resistance can be computed from the n values.

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Application of the gravity factor converts the figures given in the tables provided in this code to capacities for another gas of different specific gravity. Such application is accomplished by multiplying the capacities given in the tables by the multipliers shown in Table A.2.4. In case the exact specific gravity does not appear in the table, choose the next higher value specific gravity shown.

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**TABLE A.2.4
MULTIPLIERS TO BE USED WITH TABLES 402.4(1)
THROUGH 402.4(22) WHERE THE SPECIFIC GRAVITY
OF THE GAS IS OTHER THAN 0.60**

SPECIFIC GRAVITY	MULTIPLIER	SPECIFIC GRAVITY	MULTIPLIER
0.35	1.31	1.00	0.78
0.40	1.23	1.10	0.74
0.45	1.16	1.20	0.71
0.50	1.10	1.30	0.68
0.55	1.04	1.40	0.66
0.60	1.00	1.50	0.63
0.65	0.96	1.60	0.61
0.70	0.93	1.70	0.59
0.75	0.90	1.80	0.58
0.80	0.87	1.90	0.56
0.85	0.84	2.00	0.55
0.90	0.82	2.10	0.54

A.2.5 Higher pressure natural gas tables. Capacities for gas at pressures 13.8 kPa (2.0 psig) or greater in cubic metres (feet) per hour of 0.60 specific gravity gas for different sizes and lengths are shown in Tables 402.4(5) through 402.4(7) of the JFGC for iron pipe or equivalent rigid pipe; Tables 402.4(12) to 402.4(14) in the JFGC for semirigid tubing; Tables 402.4(18) and 402.4(19) in the JFGC for corrugated stainless steel tubing; and Table G3413.4(8) or Table 402.4(22) in the JFGC for polyethylene plastic pipe.

A.3 Use of capacity tables.

A.3.1 Longest length method. This sizing method is conservative in its approach by applying the maximum operating conditions in the system as the norm for the system and by setting the length of pipe used to size any given part of the piping system to the maximum value.

To determine the size of each section of gas piping in a system within the range of the capacity tables, proceed as follows (also see sample calculations included in this Appendix):

1. Divide the piping system into appropriate segments consistent with the presence of tees, branch lines and main runs. For each segment, determine the gas load (assuming all appliances operate simultaneously) and its overall length. An allowance (in equivalent length of pipe) as determined from Table A.2.2 shall be considered for piping segments that include four or more fittings.
2. Determine the gas demand of each appliance to be attached to the piping system. Where Tables 402.4(1) through 402.4(24) in the JFGC are to be used to select the piping size, calculate the gas demand in terms of cubic metres (feet) per hour for each piping system

402.4(25) through 402.4(37) are to be used to select the *pip*ing size, calculate the gas demand in terms of thousands of Btu per hour for each *pip*ing system *outlet*.

3. Where the *pip*ing system is for use with other than undiluted liquefied petroleum gases, determine the design system pressure, the allowable loss in pressure (pressure drop), and specific gravity of the gas to be used in the *pip*ing system.
4. Determine the length of *pip*ing from the *point of delivery* to the most remote *outlet* in the building/*pip*-ing system.
5. In the appropriate capacity table, select the row showing the measured length or the next longer length if the table does not give the exact length. This is the only length used in determining the size of any section of gas *pip*ing. If the gravity factor is to be applied, the values in the selected row of the table are multiplied by the appropriate multiplier from Table A.2.4.
6. Use this horizontal row to locate ALL gas demand figures for this particular system of *pip*ing.
7. Starting at the most remote *outlet*, find the gas demand for that *outlet* in the horizontal row just selected. If the exact figure of demand is not shown, choose the next larger figure left in the row.
8. Opposite this demand figure, in the first row at the top, the correct size of gas *pip*ing will be found.
9. Proceed in a similar manner for each *outlet* and each section of gas *pip*ing. For each section of *pip*ing, determine the total gas demand supplied by that section.

Where a large number of *pip*ing components (such as elbows, tees and valves) are installed in a pipe run, additional pressure loss can be accounted for by the use of equivalent lengths. Pressure loss across any *pip*ing component can be equated to the pressure drop through a length of pipe. The equivalent length of a combination of only four elbows/tees can result in a jump to the next larger length row, resulting in a significant reduction in capacity. The equivalent lengths in feet shown in Table A.2.2 have been computed on a basis that the inside diameter corresponds to that of Schedule 40 (standard-weight) steel pipe, which is close enough for most purposes involving other schedules of pipe. Where a more specific solution for equivalent length is desired, this can be made by multiplying the actual inside diameter of the pipe in millimetres (inches) by $n/12$, or the actual

inside diameter in millimetres (feet) by n (n can be read from the table heading). The equivalent length values can be used with reasonable accuracy for copper or brass fittings and bends although the resistance per metre (foot) of copper or brass pipe is less than that of steel. For copper or brass valves, however, the equivalent length of pipe should be taken as 45 percent longer than the values in the table, which are for steel pipe.

A.3.2 Branch length method. This sizing method reduces the amount of conservatism built into the traditional Longest Length Method. The longest length as measured from the

meter to the farthest remote *appliance* is only used to size the initial parts of the overall *pipng* system. The Branch Length Method is applied in the following manner:

- (1) Determine the gas load for each of the connected appliances.
- (2) Starting from the meter, divide the *pipng* system into a number of connected segments, and determine the length and amount of gas that each segment would carry assuming that all appliances were operated simultaneously. An allowance (in equivalent length of pipe) as determined from Table A.2.2 should be considered for piping segments that include four or more fittings.
- (3) Determine the distance from the *outlet* of the gas meter to the *appliance* farthest removed from the meter.
- (4) Using the longest distance (found in Step 3), size each *pipng* segment from the meter to the most remote *appliance outlet*.
- (5) For each of these *pipng* segments, use the longest length and the calculated gas load for all of the connected appliances for the segment and begin the sizing process in Steps 6 through 8.
- (6) Referring to the appropriate sizing table (based on operating conditions and *pipng* material), find the longest length distance in the first column or the next larger distance if the exact distance is not listed. The use of alternative operating pressures or pressure drops will require the use of a different sizing table, but will not alter the sizing methodology. In many cases, the use of alternative operating pressures or pressure drops will require the approval of both the Local Authority and the local gas serving utility.
- (7) Trace across this row until the gas load is found or the closest larger capacity if the exact capacity is not listed.
- (8) Read up the table column and select the appropriate pipe size in the top row. Repeat Steps 6, 7 and 8 for each pipe segment in the longest run.
- (9) Size each remaining section of branch *pipng* not previously sized by measuring the distance from the gas meter location to the most remote *outlet* in that branch, using the gas load of attached appliances and following the procedures of Steps 2 through 8.

A.3.3 Hybrid pressure method. The sizing of a 13.8 kPa (2 psi) gas *pipng* system is performed using the traditional Longest Length Method but with modifications. The 13.8 kPa (2 psi) system consists of two independent pressure zones, and each zone is sized separately. The Hybrid Pressure Method is applied as follows:

The sizing of the 13.8 kPa (2 psi) section (from the meter to the line regulator) is as follows:

- (1) Calculate the gas load (by adding up the name plate ratings) from all connected appliances. (In certain circumstances the installed gas load can be increased up to 50 percent to accommodate future addition of appliances.) Ensure that the line regulator capacity is

adequate for the calculated gas load and that the required pressure drop (across the regulator) for that capacity does not exceed 5.2 kPa ($\frac{3}{4}$ psi) for a 13.8 kPa (2 psi) system. If the pressure drop across the regulator is too high (for the connected gas load), select a larger regulator.

- (2) Measure the distance from the meter to the line regulator located inside the building.
- (2) If there are multiple line regulators, measure the distance from the meter to the regulator farthest removed from the meter.
- (3) The maximum allowable pressure drop for the 13.8 kPa (2 psi) section is 6.9 kPa (1 psi).
- (4) Referring to the appropriate sizing table (based on *pipng* material) for 13.8 kPa (2 psi) systems with a 6.9 kPa (1 psi) pressure drop, find this distance in the first column, or the closest larger distance if the exact distance is not listed.
- (5) Trace across this row until the gas load is found or the closest larger capacity if the exact capacity is not listed.
- (6) Read up the table column to the top row and select the appropriate pipe size.
- (7) If there are multiple regulators in this portion of the *pipng* system, each line segment shall be sized for its actual gas load, but using the longest length previously determined in steps 2 and 3.

The low-pressure section (all *pipng* downstream of the line regulator) is sized as follows:

- a. Determine the gas load for each of the connected appliances.
- b. Starting from the line regulator, divide the piping system into a number of connected segments or independent parallel piping segments, and determine the amount of gas that each segment would carry assuming that all appliances were operated simultaneously. An allowance (in equivalent length of pipe) as determined from Table A.2.2 should be considered for piping segments that include four or more fittings.
- c. For each piping segment, use the actual length or longest length (if there are sub-branch lines) and the calculated gas load for that segment and begin the sizing process as follows:
 - i. Referring to the appropriate sizing table (based on operating pressure and piping material), find the longest length distance in the first column or the closest larger distance if the exact distance is not listed. The use of alternative operating pressures or pressure drops will require the use of a different sizing table, but will not alter the sizing methodology. In many cases, the use of alternative operating pressures or pressure drops can require the approval of the Local Authority.
 - ii. Trace across this row until the appliance gas load is found or the closest larger capacity if the exact capacity is not listed.

- iii. Read up the table column to the top row and select the appropriate pipe size.
- iv. Repeat this process for each segment of the piping system.

A.3.4 Pressure drop per 30.5 metres (100 feet) method.

This sizing method is less conservative than the others, but it allows the designer to immediately see where the largest pressure drop occurs in the system. With this information, modifications can be made to bring the total drop to the critical *appliance* within the limitations that are presented to the designer.

Follow the procedures described in the Longest Length Method for Steps (1) through (4) and (9).

For each *pipng* segment, calculate the pressure drop based on pipe size, length as a percentage of 30,500 mm (100 feet) and gas flow. Table A.3.4 shows pressure drop per 30,500 mm (100 feet) for pipe sizes from 12.7 mm (1/2 inch) through 51 mm (2 inches)). The sum of pressure drops to the critical *appliance* is subtracted from the supply pressure to verify that sufficient pressure will be available. If not, the layout can be examined to find the high drop section(s) and sizing selections modified.

Note: Other values can be obtained by using the following equation:

For SI;
 Desired Value = $155.1 \text{ MJH} \times \sqrt{\frac{\text{Desired Drop}}{\text{Table Drop}}}$

(1 MJH (Megajoule/hour) = 0.9478 MegaBtu/h or 0.278 kW)

For IPU:
 Desired Value = $147 \text{ MBH} \times \sqrt{\frac{\text{Desired Drop}}{\text{Table Drop}}}$

For example, if it is desired to get flow through 19 mm (3/4-inch) pipe at 50.8 mm/30,500 mm (2 inches/100 feet), multiply the capacity of 19 mm (3/4-inch) pipe at 25.4 mm/30,500 mm (1 inch/100 feet) by the square root of the pressure ratio:

$$\begin{aligned} & \underline{147 \times 1.0551 \text{ MJH}} \times \sqrt{\frac{50.8 \text{ w.c.}}{25.4 \text{ w.c.}}} \\ & = \underline{155.1 \text{ MJH}} \times 1.414 \\ & = 219.311 \text{ MJH or } 60.968 \text{ kW} \end{aligned}$$

A.4 Use of sizing equations. Capacities of smooth wall pipe or tubing can be determined by using the following formulae:

- (1) High Pressure [10.3 kPa (1.5 psi) and above]:

For SI:

$$\begin{aligned} Q &= 5.134 \sqrt{\frac{D^5 \times (P_1^2 - P_2^2) \times Y}{C_r \times fba \times L}} \\ &= 63.242 D^{2.623} \left[\frac{(P_1^2 - P_2^2) \times Y}{C_r \times L} \right]^{0.541} \end{aligned}$$

For IPS:

$$Q = 181.6 \sqrt{\frac{D^5 \times (P_1^2 - P_2^2) \times Y}{C_r \times fba \times L}}$$

$$= 2237 D^{2.623} \left[\frac{(P_1^2 - P_2^2) \times Y}{C_r \times L} \right]^{0.541}$$

- (2) Low Pressure [Less than 10.3 kPa (1.5 psi)]:

For SI:

$$\begin{aligned} Q &= 5.304 \sqrt{\frac{D^5 \times \Delta H}{C_r \times fba \times L}} \\ &= 65.497 D^{2.623} \left(\frac{\Delta H}{C_r \times L} \right)^{0.541} \end{aligned}$$

For IPU:

$$\begin{aligned} Q &= 187.5 \sqrt{\frac{D^5 \times \Delta H}{C_r \times fba \times L}} \\ &= 2313 D^{2.623} \left(\frac{\Delta H}{C_r \times L} \right)^{0.541} \end{aligned}$$

Where:

Q = Rate, cubic metres (feet) per hour at 15.6°C (60°F) and 760 mm (30-inch) mercury column

D = Inside diameter of pipe, mm (in).

*P*₁ = Upstream pressure, kPa (psia)

*P*₂ = Downstream pressure, kPa (psia)

Y = Super-expansibility factor = 1/super-compressibility factor

*C*_r = Factor for viscosity, density and temperature*
 $= 0.00354 \text{ ST} \left(\frac{Z}{S} \right)^{0.152}$

*Note: See Table 402.4 for *Y* and *C*_r for natural gas and propane.

S = Specific gravity of gas at 15.6 °C (60°F) and 762 mm (30-inch) mercury column (0.60 for natural gas, 1.50 for propane), or =1488μ

T = Absolute temperature, °C + 273.15 (°F or = *t* + 460)

t = Temperature, °C (°F)

Z = Viscosity of gas, centipoise (0.012 for natural gas,

fba = Base friction factor for air at 15.6°C (60°F) (CF = 1)

L = Length of pipe, m (ft)

ΔH = Pressure drop, in. w.c. (703.6 mm H₂O = 6.89476 kilo-Pascals [27.7 in. H₂O = 1 psi)

(For SI, see Section 402.4 in the JFGC)

A.5 Pipe and tube diameters. Where the internal diameter is determined by the formulas in Section

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G2413.4 or Section 402.4 of the JFGC, Tables A.5.1 and A.5.2 can be used to select the nominal or standard pipe size based on the calculated internal

diameter.

**TABLE A.3.4
THOUSANDS OF WATTS OF NATURAL GAS PER 30.5 METREST OF PIPE AT VARIOUS PRESSURE DROPS AND PIPE DIAMETERS**

PRESSURE DROP PER 30.5 METRES IN		PIPE SIZES (mm)					
MILLIMETRES W.C.	PASCALS	12.7	19	25	32	38	51
5.1	50	9.091	18.768	35.484	72.727	109.091	209.971
7.6	75	11.144	23.167	43.402	89.150	133.431	257.185
12.7	125	14.663	30.499	57.185	117.302	175.953	340.176
25.4	250	20.821	43.109	80.938	165.982	248.680	480.938

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot.

**TABLE A.5.1
SCHEDULE 40 STEEL PIPE STANDARD SIZES**

NOMINAL SIZE (mm)	INTERNAL DIAMETER (mm)	NOMINAL SIZE (mm)	INTERNAL DIAMETER (mm)
6.35	9.246	38	40.894
10	12.522	51	52.502
12.7	15.799	64	62.713
19	20.930	76	77.927
25	26.645	89	90.119
32	35.052	100	102.260

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch.

a. Examples of piping system design and sizing.

- i. **Example 1: Longest length method.** Determine the required pipe size of each section and *outlet* of the *piping system* shown in Figure A.6.1, with a designated pressure drop of 125 Pa (0.5-inch w.c.) using the Longest Length Method. The gas to be used has 0.60 specific gravity and a heating value of 37.5 MJ/m³ (1,000 Btu/ft³).

Solution:

1. Maximum gas demand for *Outlet A*:

$$\frac{\text{Consumption (rating plate input) or Table 402.2 if necessary}}{\text{Heating value (HV) of gas}} =$$

For SI:

$$\frac{37,100 \text{ kiloJoules per hour}}{37.5 \text{ MegaJoules per cubic metre}} = \frac{37.1 \text{ MJ/h}}{37.5 \text{ MJ/m}^3} = 0.99 \text{ m}^3/\text{h}$$

For IPU:

$$\frac{35,000 \text{ Btu per hour rating}}{1,000 \text{ Btu per cubic foot}} = 35 \text{ cubic feet per hour} = 35 \text{ cf/h}$$

Maximum gas demand for *Outlet B*:

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1. If a different gravity factor is applied to this example, the values in the row marked 18,300 mm (60 feet) of Table G2413.4(1) or Table 402.4(2) in the JFGC would be multiplied by the appropriate multiplier from Table A.2.4 and the resulting cubic metres (feet) per hour values would be used to size the *piping*.

TABLE A.5.2

OPPER TUBE STANDARD SIZES For SI:

$$\frac{\text{Consumption } 75,000 \times 1.060 \text{ kJ/h} = 2.12 \text{ m}^3/\text{h}}{\text{Heating value of gas } 37.5 \text{ MJ/m}^3}$$

For IPU:

$$\frac{\text{Consumption } 75,000}{\text{HV of gas } 1,000} = \text{-----} = 75 \text{ cf/h}$$

Maximum gas demand for *Outlet C*:

For SI:

$$\frac{\text{Consumption} = 35,000 \times 1.06 \text{ kJ/h} = 0.99 \text{ m}^3/\text{h}}{\text{HV of gas } 37.5 \text{ MJ/m}^3}$$

For IPU:

$$\frac{\text{Consumption} = 35,000}{\text{HV of gas } 1,000} = 35 \text{ cf/h}$$

Maximum gas demand for *Outlet D*:

For SI:

$$\frac{\text{Consumption} = 100,000 \times 1.06 \text{ kJ/h} = 2.82 \text{ m}^3/\text{h}}{\text{HV of gas } 37.5 \text{ MJ/m}^3}$$

For IPU:

$$\frac{\text{Consumption} = 100,000}{\text{Btu of gas } 1,000} = 100 \text{ cf/h}$$

- a. The length of pipe from the *point of delivery* to the most remote *outlet* (A) is 18,300 mm (60 feet). This is the only distance used.
- b. Using the row marked 18,300 mm (60 feet) in Table G2413.4(1) or Table 402.4(2) in the JFGC:
 - i. *Outlet A*, supplying 0.99 m³/hr (35 cf/h), requires 12.5 mm (¹/₂-inch) pipe.
 - ii. *Outlet B*, supplying 2.12 m³/hr (75 cf/h), requires 19 mm (³/₄-inch) pipe.
 - iii. Section 1, supplying *Outlets A* and *B*, or 3.11 m³/hr (110 cf/h), requires 19 mm (³/₄-inch) pipe.
 - iv. Section 2, supplying *Outlets C* and *D*, or 3.82 m³/hr (135 cfh), requires 19 mm (³/₄-inch) pipe.
 - v. Section 3, supplying *Outlets A, B, C* and *D*, or 6.94 m³/hr (245 cf/h), requires 25 mm (1-inch) pipe.

TUBE TYPE	NOMINAL OR STANDARD SIZE (mm)	INTERNAL DIAMETER (mm)
K	6.35	7.747
L	6.35	8.001
ACR (D)	10	8.001
ACR (A)	10	7.899
K	10	10.211
L	10	10.922
ACR (D)	12.7	10.922
ACR (A)	12.7	11.074
K	12.7	13.386
L	12.7	13.843
ACR (D)	16	13.843
ACR (A)	16	14.097
K	16	16.561
L	16	16.916
ACR (D)	19	16.916
ACR (A)	19	17.272
K	19	18.923
L	19	19.939
ACR	22	19.939
K	25	25.273
L	25	26.035
ACR	28.5	26.035
K	32	31.623
L	32	32.131
ACR	35	32.131
K	38	37.617
L	38	38.227
ACR	41	38.227
K	51	49.759
L	51	50.419
ACR	54	50.419
K	64	61.849
L	64	62.611
ACR	67	62.611
K	76	73.838
L	76	74.803
ACR	79	74.803

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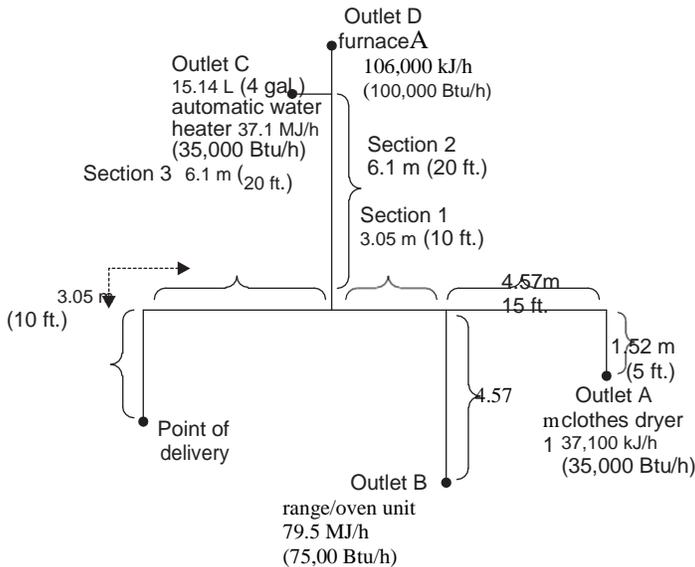
For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch.

A.6.2 Example 2: Hybrid or dual pressure systems.

Determine the required CSST size of each section of the piping system shown in Figure A.6.2, with a designated pressure drop of 6.9 kPa (1 psi) for the 13.8 kPa (2 psi) section and 0.75 kPa (3-inch w.c.) pressure drop for the 2.49 kPa (13-inch w.c.) section. The gas to be used has 0.60 specific gravity and a heating value of 37.5 MJ/m³ (1,000 Btu/ft³).

Solution:

- (1) Size 13.8 kPa (2 psi) line using Table G2413.4(6) or Table 402.4(18) in the JFGC.
- (2) Size 2.5 kPa (10-inch w.c.) lines using Table 402.4(16) in the JFGC.
- (3) Using the following, determine if sizing tables can be used.
 - a. Total gas load shown in Figure A.6.2 equals 3.11 m³/hr (110 cf/h).



**FIGURE A.6.1
PIPING PLAN SHOWING A STEEL PIPING SYSTEM**

- (4) Section A [13.8 kPa (2 psi) zone]
 - a. Distance from meter to regulator = 30,500 mm (100 feet).
 - b. Total load supplied by A = 3.11 m³/hr (110 cf/h) (furnace + water heater + dryer).
 - c. Table G2413.4(6) or Table 402.4(18) in the JFGC shows that EHD size 18 should be used.

Note: It is not unusual to oversize the supply line by 25 to 50 percent of the as-installed load. EHD size 18 has a capacity of 5.35 m³/hr (189 cf/h).
- (5) Section B (low pressure zone)
 - a. Distance from regulator to furnace is 4,575 mm (15 feet).
 - b. Load is 1.70 m³/hr (60 cf/h).
 - c. Table 402.4(16) in the JFGC shows that EHD size 13 should be used.
- (6) Section C (low pressure zone)
 - a. Distance from regulator to water heater is 3,050 mm (10 Feet).
 - b. Load is 0.85 m³/hr (30 cf/h).
 - c. Table 402.4(16) in the JFGC shows that EHD size 13 should be used.
- (7) Section D (low pressure zone)
 - a. Distance from regulator to dryer is 7,620 mm (25 feet).
 - b. Load is 0.57 m³/hr (20 cf/h).
 - c. Table 402.4(16) in the JFGC shows that EHD size 13 should be used.

- b. Determine pressure drop across regulator [see notes in Table G2413.4(6) or Table 402.4(18) in the JFGC].
- c. If pressure drop across regulator exceeds 5.2 kPa (¾ psig), Table G2413.4(6) or Table 402.4(18) in the JFGC cannot be used. Note: If pressure drop exceeds 5.2 kPa (¾ psi), then a larger regulator shall be selected or an alternative sizing method shall be used.
- d. Pressure drop across the line regulator [for 3.11 m³/hr (110 cf/h)] is 0.99 kPa (4-inch w.c.) based on manufacturer's performance data.
- e. Assume the CSST manufacturer has tubing sizes or EHDs of 13, 18, 23 and 30.

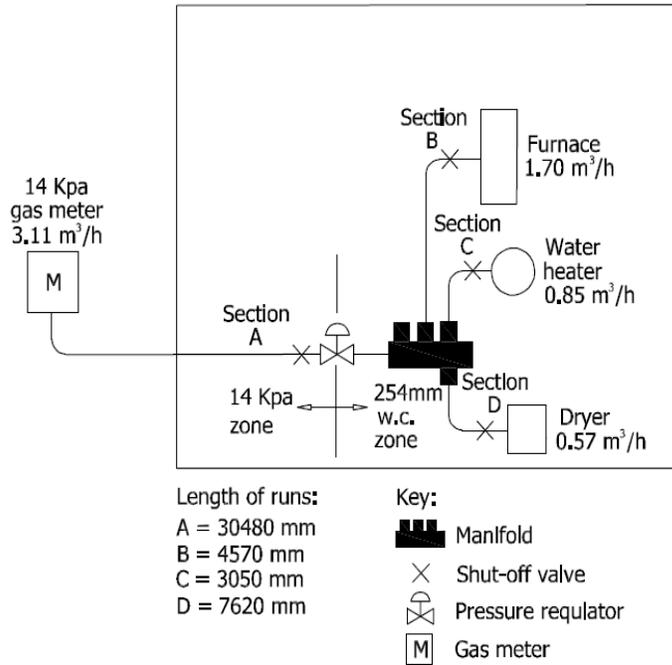


FIGURE A.6.2
PIPING PLAN SHOWING A CSST SYSTEM

A.6.3 Example 3: Branch length method.

Determine the required semirigid copper tubing size of each section of the *pipng* system shown in Figure A.6.3, with a designated pres- sure drop of 250 Pa (1-inch w.c.) (using the Branch Length Method). The gas to be used has 0.60 specific gravity and a heating value of 37.5 MJ/m³ (1,000 Btu/ft³).

Solution:

2. Section A

- a. The length of tubing from the *point of delivery* to the most remote *appliance* is 15,250 mm (50 feet), A + C.
- b. Use this longest length to size Sections A and C.
- c. Using the row marked 15,250 mm (50 feet) in Table 402.4(10) of the JFGC, Section A, supplying 6.2 m³/hr (220 cf/h) for four appliances requires 25 mm (1-inch) tubing.

3. Section B

- a. The length of tubing from the *point of delivery* to the range/oven at the end of Section B is 9,150 mm (30 feet), A + B.
- b. Use this branch length to size Section B only.

1. Using the row marked 9,150 mm (30 feet) in Table 402.4(10) of the JFGC, Section B, supplying 2.12 m³/hr (75 cf/h) for the range/oven requires 12.7 mm (1/2-inch) tubing. Use this branch length to size Section E only.

2. Using the row marked 9,150 mm (30 feet) in Table 402.4(10) of the JFGC,

- 3.
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tubing.

4. Section C

- a. The length of tubing from the *point of delivery* to the dryer at the end of Section C is 15,250 mm (50 feet), A + C.
- b. Use this branch length to size Section C.
- c. Using the row marked 15,250 mm (50 feet) in Table 402.4(10) of the JFGC, Section C, supplying 0.85 m³/hr (30 cf/h) for the dryer requires 10 mm (3/8-inch) tubing.

5. Section D

- a. The length of tubing from the *point of delivery* to the water heater at the end of Section D is 9,150 mm (30 feet), A + D.
- b. Use this branch length to size Section D only.
- c. Using the row marked 9,150 mm (30 feet) in Table 402.4(10) of the JFGC, Section D, supplying 0.99 m³/hr (35 cfh) for the water heater requires 10 mm (3/8-inch) tubing.

6. Section E

- a. The length of tubing from the *point of delivery* to the furnace at the end of Section E is 9,150 mm (30 feet), A + E.

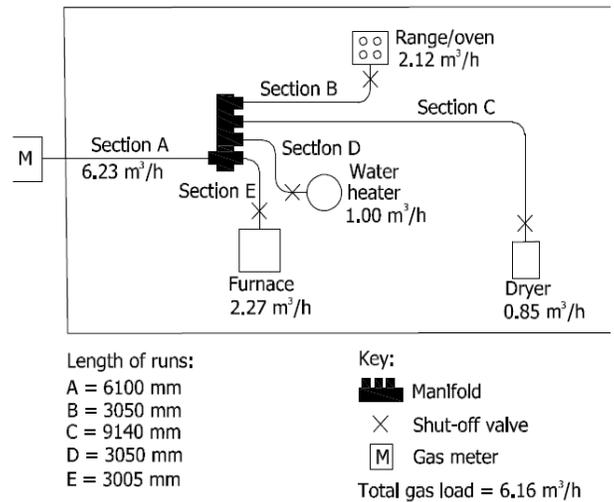


FIGURE A.6.3
PIPING PLAN SHOWING A COPPER TUBING SYSTEM

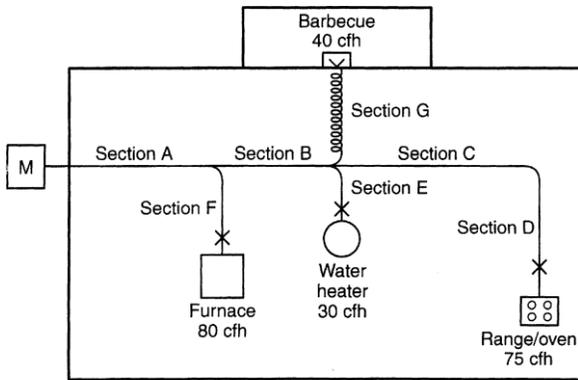
5. Section E, supplying 2.26 m³/hr (80 cf/h) for the furnace requires 1/2-inch tubing.

Example 4: Modification to existing piping system.

Determine the required CSST size for Section G (retrofit application) of the *pipng* system shown in Figure A.6.4, with a designated pressure drop of 125 Pa (0.5-inch w.c.) using the branch length method. The gas to be used has 0.60 specific gravity and a heating value of 37.5 MJ/m³ (1,000 Btu/ft³).

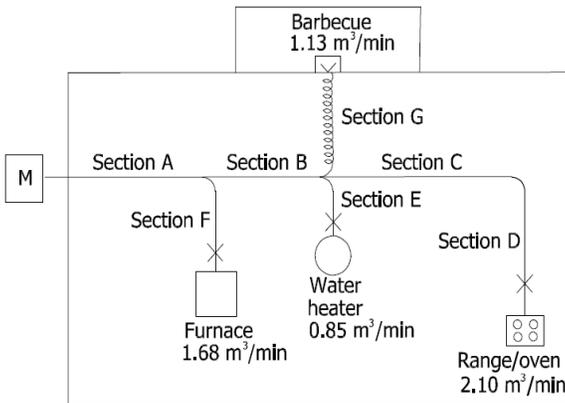
Solution:

7. The length of pipe and CSST from the *point of delivery* to the retrofit *appliance* (barbecue) at the end of Section G is 12,200 mm (40 feet), A + B + G.
8. Use this branch length to size Section G.
9. Assume the CSST manufacturer has tubing sizes or EHDs of 13, 18, 23 and 30.
10. Using the row marked 12,200 mm (40 feet) in Table G2413.4(5) or Table 402.4(15) in the JFGC, Section G, supplying 1.13 m³/hr (40 cf/h) for the barbecue requires EHD 18 CSST.
11. The sizing of Sections A, B, F and E shall be checked to ensure adequate gas carrying capacity since an *appliance* has been added to the *pipng* system (see A.6.1 for details).



Length of runs:
 A = 15 ft E = 5 ft
 B = 10 ft F = 10 ft
 C = 15 ft G = 15 ft
 D = 20 ft

Key:
 X Shut-off valve
 M Gas meter



Length of runs:
 A = 4570 mm E = 1520 mm
 B = 3050 mm F = 3050 mm
 C = 4570 mm G = 4570 mm
 D = 610 mm

Key:
 X Shut-off valve
 M Gas meter

Therefore, the gauge could be expected to register 124 kPa (18 psig) when the ambient temperature is 4°C (40°F).

i. **Example 6: Pressure drop per 30.5 metres (100 feet) of pipe method.** Using the layout shown in Figure A.6.1 and ΔH = pressure drop, in w.c. (703.6 mm of H₂O = 6.9 kPa [27.7 in. H₂O = 1 psi]), proceed as follows:

For SI:

- (1) Length to A = 6,100 mm, with 37,100 kJ/h.
 For 12.5 mm pipe, $\Delta H = \frac{6,100 \text{ mm}}{30,500 \text{ mm}} \times 7.6 \text{ mm} = 1.52 \text{ mm in w.c.}$
- (2) Length to B = 4,575 mm, with 79,500 kJ/hr.
 For 19-mm pipe, $\Delta H = \frac{4,575 \text{ feet}}{30,500 \text{ feet}} \times 7.6 \text{ mm w.c.} = 1.14 \text{ mm in w.c.}$
- (3) Section 1 = 3,050 mm, with 116,600 kJ/hr. Here there is a choice:

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$$\frac{(116,600 \text{ kJ/hr} - 110,240 \text{ kJ/hr})}{(155,820 \text{ kJ/hr} - 110,240 \text{ kJ/hr})} \times (25.4 \text{ mm w.c.} - 12.7 \text{ mm w.c.}) = 0.1 \times 14,472 \text{ mm w.c.} \approx 1.45 \text{ mm w.c.}$$

Note that the pressure drop between 110,240 kJ/h and 155,820 kJ/h has been interpolated as 116,600 kJ/h.

- (4) Section 2 = 6,100 mm, with 143,100 kJ/h. Here there is a choice:

For 25-mm pipe: $\Delta H = \frac{6,100 \text{ mm}}{30,500 \text{ mm}} \times [5.08 \text{ mm w.c.} + \frac{(14,840 \text{ kJ/hr})}{(28,620 \text{ kJ/hr})} \times 2.54 \text{ mm w.c.}] = 1.27 \text{ mm w.c.}$

For 19-mm pipe: $\Delta H = \frac{6,100 \text{ mm}}{30,500 \text{ feet}} \times 25.4 \text{ mm w.c.} = 5.08 \text{ mm w.c.}$

Note that the pressure drop between 128,260 kJ/hr and 155,820 kJ/hr has been interpolated as 143,100 kJ/hr, but interpolation for a 19-mm pipe (trivial for 110,240 kJ/hr to 155,820 kJ/hr) was not used.

- (5) Section 2 = 9,150 mm, with 259,700 kJ/hr. Here there is a choice:

For 25-mm pipe: $\Delta H = \frac{9,150 \text{ mm}}{30,500 \text{ mm}} \times 25.4 \text{ mm w.c.} = 7.62 \text{ mm w.c.}$

For 32-mm pipe: $\Delta H = \frac{9,150 \text{ mm}}{30,500 \text{ mm}} \times 5.08 \text{ mm w.c.} = 1.524 \text{ mm w.c.}$

FIGURE A.6.4

Note that interpolation for these options is ignored since the table values are closer to the 259,700 kJ/hr carried by that section.

12. The total pressure drop is the sum of the section approaching A, Sections 1 and 3, or either of the following, depending on whether an absolute minimum is needed or the larger drop can be accommodated.

Minimum pressure drop to farthest appliance:
 $\Delta H = 1.524 \text{ mm w.c.} + 1.524 \text{ mm} + 7.620 \text{ mm} = 3.556 \text{ mm w.c.}$

Larger pressure drop to the farthest appliance:

$$\Delta H = 1.524 \text{ mm w.c.} + 1.524 \text{ mm} + 1.524 \text{ mm} = 10.668 \text{ mm w.c.}$$

Note that Section 2 and the run to B do not enter into this OT ENT discussion, provided that the appliances have similar input Pressure requirements.

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ii. **Example 5: Calculating pressure drops due to temperature changes.** A test *pipng* system is installed on a warm autumn afternoon when the temperature is 21°C (70°F). In accordance with local custom, the new *pipng* system is subjected to an air pressure test at 138 kPa (20 psig). Overnight, the temperature drops and when the inspector shows up first thing in the morning the temperature is 4°C (40°F).

If the volume of the *pipng* system is unchanged, then the formula based on Boyle’s and Charles’ law for determining the new pressure at a reduced temperature is as follows:

FIGURE A.6.4 For 3/4-inch pipe: $\Delta H = \frac{10 \text{ feet}}{100 \text{ feet}} \times [0.5 \text{ inch w.c.} + \text{PIPING PLAN SHOWING A MODIFICATION TO EXISTING PIPING SYSTEM}]$

iii. **Example 5: Calculating pressure drops due to temperature changes.** A test *pipng* system is installed on a warm autumn afternoon when the temperature is 21°C (70°F). In accordance with local custom, the new *pipng* system is subjected to an air pressure test at 138 kPa (20 psig). Overnight, the temperature drops and when the inspector shows up first thing in the morning the temperature is 4°C (40°F).

If the volume of the *pipng* system is unchanged, then the formula based on Boyle’s and Charles’ law for determining the new pressure at a reduced temperature is as follows:

$$\frac{T_1}{T_2} = \frac{P_1}{P_2}$$

where:

$$T_1 = \text{Initial temperature, absolute } T_1 + 273.15, (T_1 + 459)$$

$$T_2 = \text{Final temperature, absolute } T_2 + 273.15, (T_2 + 459)$$

$$P_1 = \text{Initial pressure, kPa } (P_1 + 101.35), \text{ psia } (P_1 + 14.7)$$

$$P_2 = \text{Final pressure, kPa } (P_2 + 101.35) \quad P_2$$

For SI:

$$\frac{(21 + 273.15)}{(4 + 273.15)} = \frac{(138 + 101.35)}{(P_2 + 101.35)}$$

$$294.15 = 239.35$$

For IPU:

(1) Length to A = 20 feet, with 35,000 Btu/hr.

$$\text{For } \frac{1}{2}\text{-inch pipe, } \Delta H = \frac{20 \text{ feet}}{100 \text{ feet}} \times 0.3 \text{ inch w.c.} =$$

4. n w.c.(2) Length to B = 15 feet, with 75,000 Btu/hr.

$$\text{For } \frac{3}{4}\text{-inch pipe, } \Delta H = \frac{15 \text{ feet}}{100 \text{ feet}} \times 0.3 \text{ inch w.c.} =$$

1. w.c.3) Section 1 = 10 feet, with 110,000 Btu/hr.

Here there is a choice:

$$\text{For 1-inch pipe: } \Delta H = \frac{10 \text{ feet}}{100 \text{ feet}} \times 0.2 \text{ inch w.c.} = 0.02 \text{ in w.c.}$$

$$\frac{(110,000 \text{ Btu/hr} - 104,000 \text{ Btu/hr})}{(147,000 \text{ Btu/hr} - 104,000 \text{ Btu/hr})} \times (1.0 \text{ inches W.C.} - 0.5 \text{ inch w.c.}) = 0.1 \times 0.57 \text{ inch w.c.} \approx 0.06 \text{ inch w.c.}$$

Note that the pressure drop between 104,000 Btu/hr and 147,000 Btu/hr has been interpolated as 110,000 Btu/hr.

(4) Section 2 = 20 feet, with 135,000 Btu/hr. Here there is a choice:

$$\text{For 1-inch pipe: } \Delta H = \frac{20 \text{ feet}}{100 \text{ feet}} \times [0.2 \text{ inch w.c.} + \frac{(14,000 \text{ Btu/hr})}{(27,000 \text{ Btu/hr})} \times 0.1 \text{ inch w.c.}] = 0.05 \text{ inch w.c.}$$

$$\text{For } \frac{3}{4}\text{-inch pipe: } \Delta H = \frac{20 \text{ feet}}{100 \text{ feet}} \times 1.0 \text{ inch w.c.} = 0.2 \text{ inch w.c.}$$

Note that the pressure drop between 121,000 Btu/hr and 148,000 Btu/hr has been interpolated as 135,000 Btu/hr, but interpolation for the 3/4-inch pipe (trivial

for 104,000 Btu/hr to 147,000 Btu/hr) was not used.

(5) Section 3 = 30 feet, with 245,000 Btu/hr. Here there is a choice:

$$\text{For 1-inch pipe: } \Delta H = \frac{30 \text{ feet}}{100 \text{ feet}} \times 1.0 \text{ inches w.c.} = 0.3 \text{ inch w.c.}$$

$$277.15 (P_2 + 101.35)$$

$$P_2 + 101.35 = 225.517$$

$$\text{psig } (P_2 + 14.7)$$

$$P_{2_2} = 225.517 - 101.35 = 124.17 \text{ kPa}$$

For IPU:

$$\text{For } 1\frac{1}{4}\text{-inch pipe: } \Delta H = \frac{30 \text{ feet}}{100 \text{ feet}} \times 0.2 \text{ inch w.c.} = 0.06 \text{ inch w.c.}$$

$$(70 + 459)$$

$$(40 + 459)$$

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$$= \frac{(20 + 14.7)}{(P_2 + 14.7)}$$

Note that interpolation for these options is ignored since the table values are close to the 245,000 Btu/hr⁵²⁹

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$$= \frac{34.7}{(P_2 + 14.7)}$$

carried by that section.
(6) The total pressure drop is the sum of the section approaching A, Sections 1 and 3, or either of the fol-

$$(P_2 + 14.7) \times \frac{529}{499} = 34.7$$

lowing, depending on whether an absolute minimum is needed or the larger drop can be accommodated.

Minimum pressure drop to farthest *appliance*:

$$(P_2 + 14.7) \times \frac{34.7}{100}$$

$$P_2 = 32.7 - 14.7$$

$$P_2 = 18 \text{ psig}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta H &= 0.06 \text{ inch w.c.} + 0.02 \text{ inch w.c.} + 0.06 \text{ inch w.c.} \\ &= 0.14 \text{ inch w.c.} \end{aligned}$$

Larger pressure drop to the farthest *appliance*:

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta H &= 0.06 \text{ inch w.c.} + 0.06 \text{ inch w.c.} + 0.3 \text{ inch w.c.} = \\ &0.42 \text{ inch w.c.} \end{aligned}$$

Notice that Section 2 and the run to B do not enter into this calculation, provided that the appliances have similar input pressure requirements.

For SI units: 1 Btu/hr = 0.293 W, 1 cubic foot = 0.028 m³, 1 foot = 0.305 m, 1 inch w.c. = 249 Pa.

APPENDIX B

SIZING OF VENTING SYSTEMS SERVING APPLIANCES EQUIPPED WITH DRAFT HOODS, CATEGORY I APPLIANCES AND APPLIANCES LISTED FOR USE WITH TYPE B VENTS

This appendix is informative and is not part of the code. This appendix is an excerpt from the 2020 Jamaica Fuel Gas Code, coordinated with the section numbering of the Jamaica Small Building/Residential Code.

User note:

About this Appendix: Appendix B provides commentary, guidance and examples for the design of venting systems for the types of appliances that vent by natural draft and have draft hoods or are listed as Category I or are listed for use with Type B vents.

EXAMPLES USING SINGLE APPLIANCE VENTING TABLES

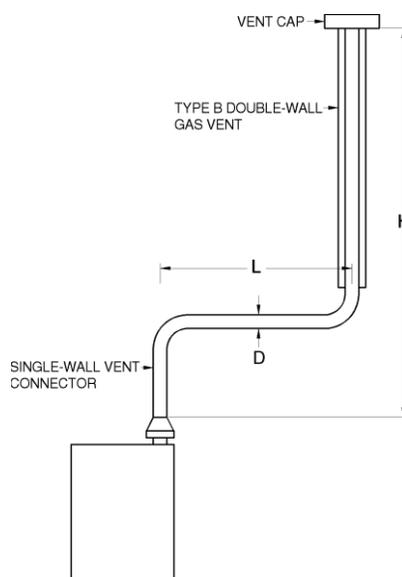
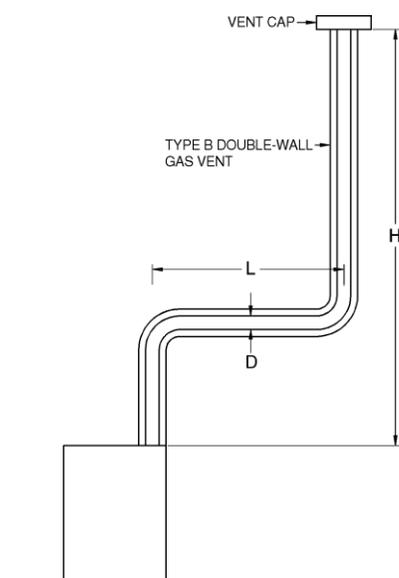
Example 1: Single draft-hood-equipped appliance.

An installer has a 35,172 W (120,000 British thermal unit (Btu) per hour) input *appliance* with a 125 mm (5-inch)-diameter draft hood outlet that needs to be vented into a 3,050 mm (10-foot)-high Type B vent system. What size vent should be used assuming (a) a 125 mm (5-foot) lateral single-wall metal vent connector is used with two 90-degree elbows, or (b) a 125 mm (5-foot) lateral single-wall metal vent connector is used with three 90-degree elbows in the vent system?

Solution:

Table G2428.2(2) in this code or Table 504.2(2) in the JFGC should be used to solve this problem, because single-wall metal vent connectors are being used with a Type B vent.

1. Read down the first column in Table G2428.2(2) in this code or Table 504.2(2) in the JFGC until the row associated with a 3,050 mm (10-foot) height and 125 mm (5-foot) lateral is found. Read across this row until a vent capacity greater than 35,172 W (120,000 Btu per hour) is located in the shaded columns *labelled* "NAT Max" for draft-hood-equipped appliances. In this case, a 125 mm (5-inch) -diameter vent has a capacity of 35,758 W (122,000 Btu per hour) and can be used for this application.



TYPE B DOUBLE-WALL VENT SYSTEM SERVING A SINGLE APPLIANCE WITH A TYPE B DOUBLE-WALL VENT

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 W = 3.4118 British thermal unit per hour, 1 kJ/h = 0.9434 Btu/h.

Table G2428.2(1) in this code or Table 504.2(1) in the JFGC is used where sizing Type B double-wall gas vent connected directly to the appliance.

Note: The appliance may be either Category I draft hood equipped or fan-assisted type.

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For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 W = 3.4118 British thermal unit per hour, 1kJ/h = 0.9434 Btu/h.

Table G2428.2(2) in this code or Table 504.2(2) in the JFGC is used where sizing a single-wall metal vent connector attached to a Type B double-wall gas vent.

Note: The appliance may be either Category I draft hood equipped or fan- assisted type.

FIGURE

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**TYPE B DOUBLE-WALL VENT SYSTEM SERVING A SINGLE
APPLIANCE WITH A SINGLE-WALL METAL VENT
CONNECTOR**

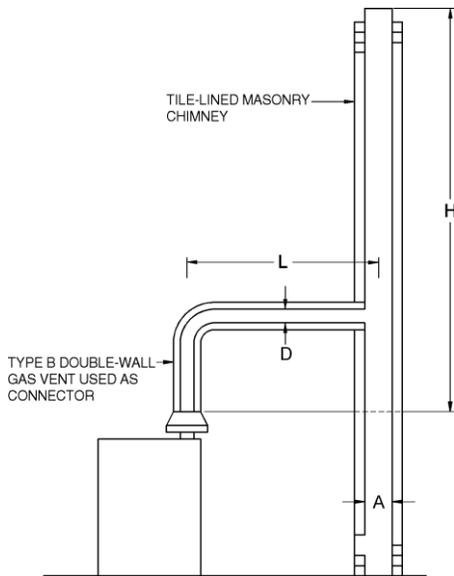
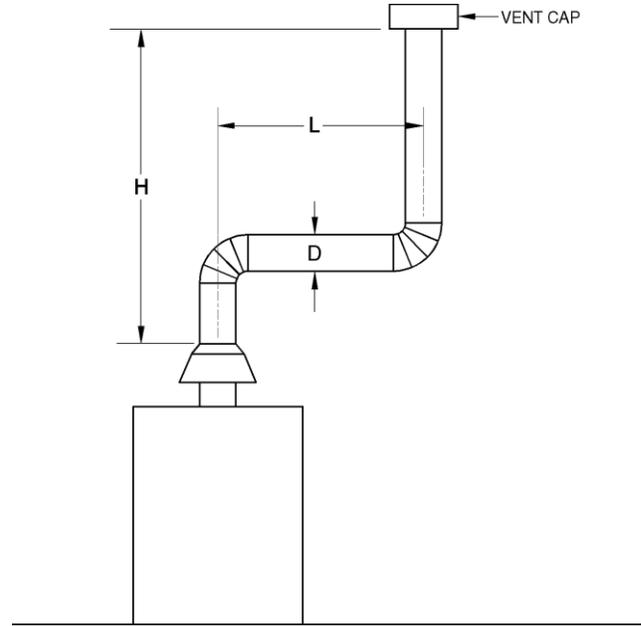


Table 504.2(3) in the JFGC is used where sizing a Type B double-wall gas vent connector attached to a tile-lined masonry chimney.

Note: "A" is the equivalent cross-sectional area of the tile liner.

Note: The appliance can be either Category I draft hood equipped or fan-assisted type.

FIGURE B-3
VENT SYSTEM SERVING A SINGLE APPLIANCE
WITH A MASONRY CHIMNEY OF TYPE B
DOUBLE-WALL VENT CONNECTOR



Asbestos cement Type B or single-wall metal vent serving a single draft-hood-equipped appliance [see Table 504.2(5) in the JFGC].

FIGURE B-5
ASBESTOS CEMENT TYPE B OR SINGLE-WALL
METAL VENT SYSTEM SERVING A SINGLE
DRAFT-HOOD-EQUIPPED APPLIANCE

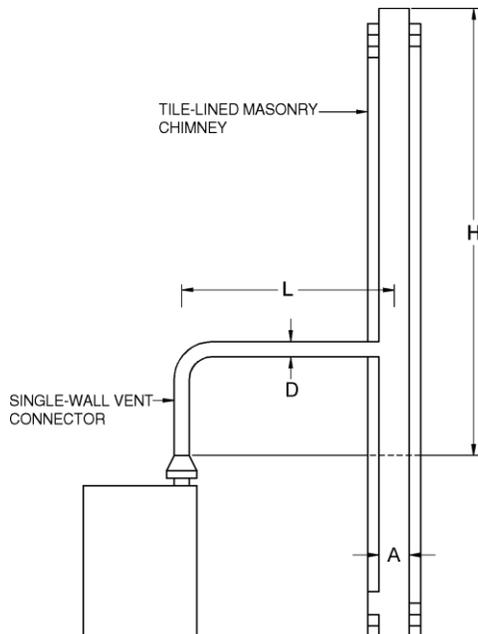


Table 504.2(4) in the JFGC is used where sizing a single-wall vent connector attached to a tile-lined masonry chimney.

Note: "A" is the equivalent cross-sectional area of the tile liner.

Note: The appliance can be either Category I draft hood equipped or fan-assisted type.

FIGURE B-4
VENT SYSTEM SERVING A SINGLE APPLIANCE
USING A MASONRY CHIMNEY AND A
SINGLE-WALL METAL VENT CONNECTOR

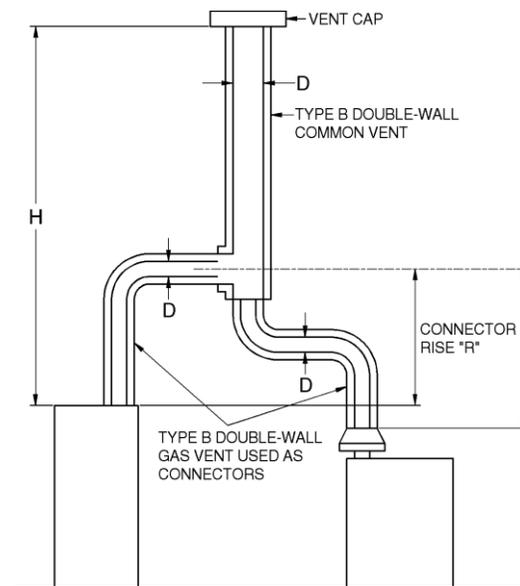


Table G2428.3(1) in this code or Table 504.3(1) in the JFGC is used where sizing Type B double-wall vent connectors attached to a Type B double-wall common vent.

Note: Each appliance can be either Category I draft hood equipped or fan-assisted type.

FIGURE B-6
VENT SYSTEM SERVING TWO OR MORE APPLIANCES
WITH TYPE B DOUBLE-WALL VENT AND TYPE B
DOUBLE-WALL VENT CONNECTOR

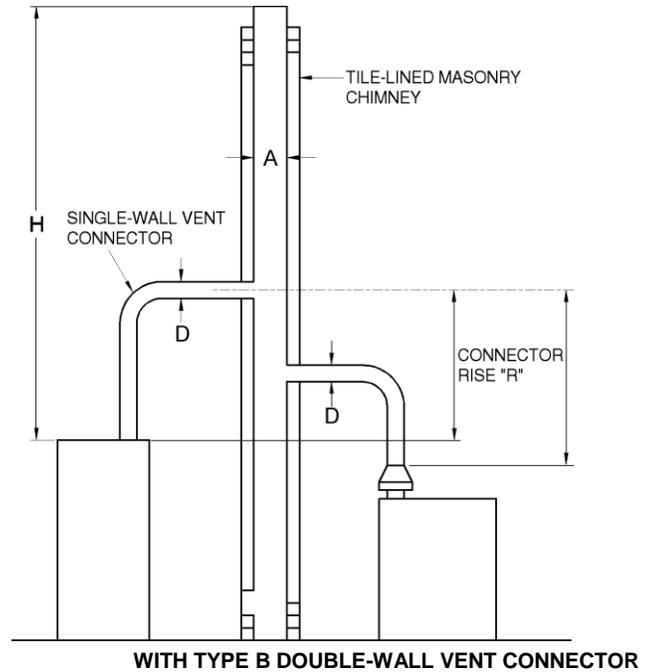
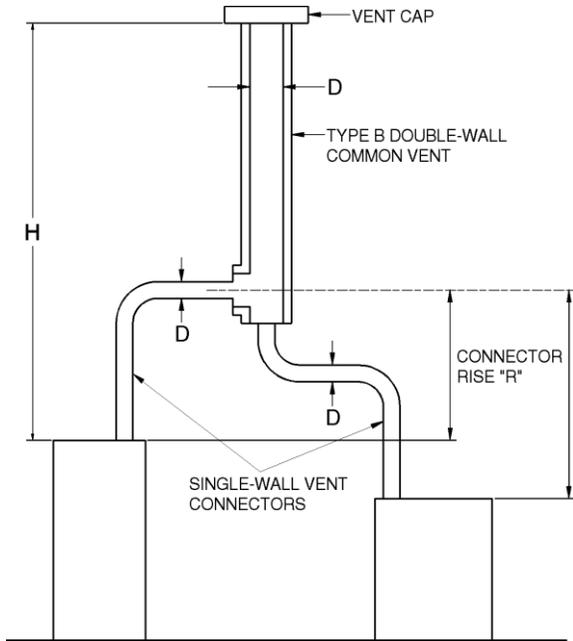


Table G2428.3(2) in this code or Table 504.3(2) in the JFGC is used where sizing single-wall vent connectors attached to a Type B double-wall common vent.

Note: Each appliance can be either Category I draft hood equipped or fan-assisted type.

FIGURE B-7
VENT SYSTEM SERVING TWO OR MORE APPLIANCES
WITH TYPE B DOUBLE-WALL VENT AND
SINGLE-WALL METAL VENT CONNECTORS

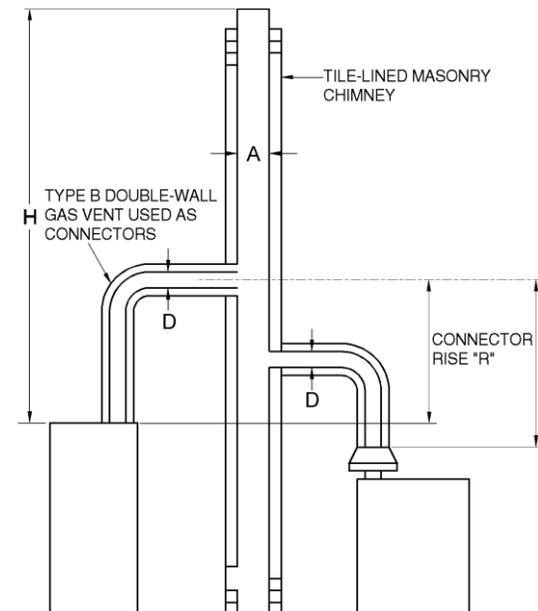


Table G2428.3(3) in this code or Table 504.3(3) in the JFGC is used where sizing Type B double-wall vent connectors attached to a tile-lined masonry chimney.

Note: "A" is the equivalent cross-sectional area of the tile liner.

Note: Each appliance can be either Category I draft hood equipped or fan-assisted type.

FIGURE B-8
MASONRY CHIMNEY SERVING TWO OR MORE APPLIANCES
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Table G2428.3(4) in this code or Table 504.3(4) in the JFGC is used where sizing single-wall metal vent connectors attached to a tile-lined masonry chimney.

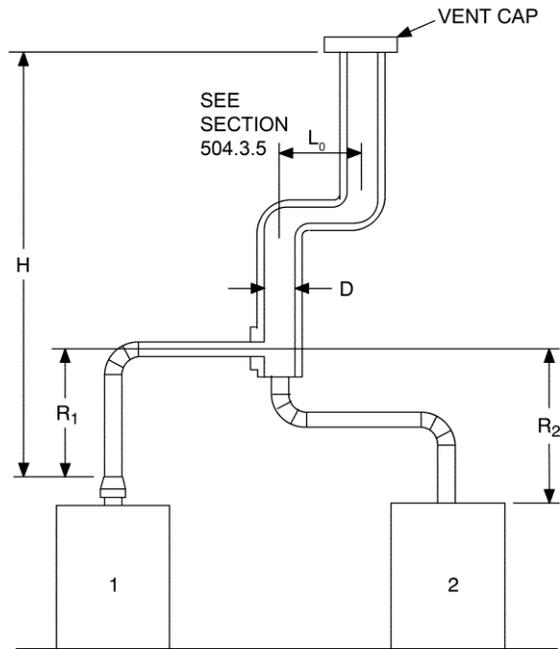
Note: "A" is the equivalent cross-sectional area of the tile liner.

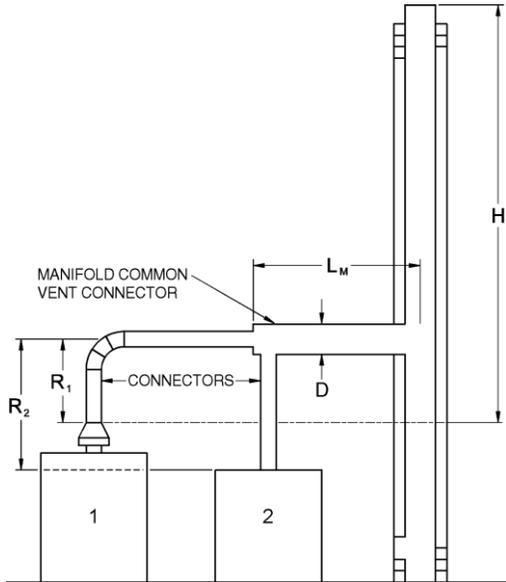
Note: Each appliance can be either Category I draft hood equipped or fan- assisted type.

**FIGURE B-9
MASONRY CHIMNEY SERVING TWO OR MORE
APPLIANCES WITH SINGLE-WALL METAL VENT
CONNECTORS**

Asbestos cement Type B or single-wall metal pipe vent serving two or more draft-hood-equipped appliances [see Table 504.3(5) in the JFGC].

**FIGURE B-10
ASBESTOS CEMENT TYPE B OR SINGLE-
WALL METAL VENT SYSTEM SERVING TWO
OR MORE DRAFT-HOOD-EQUIPPED
APPLIANCES**

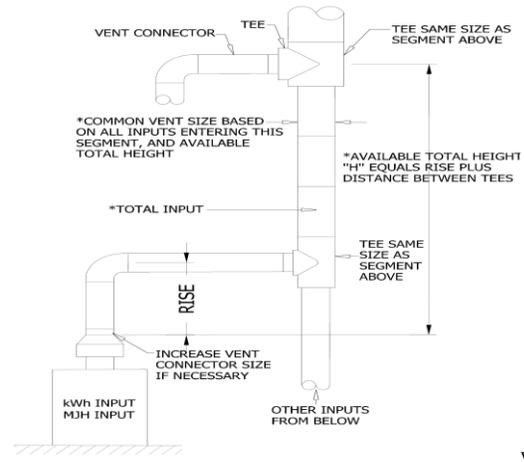




Example: Manifolded Common Vent Connector L_M shall be no greater than 18 times the common vent connector manifold inside diameter; i.e., a 100 mm (4-inch) inside diameter common vent connector manifold shall not exceed 1,830 mm (72 inches) in length (see Section 504.3.4).

Note: This is an illustration of a typical manifolded vent connector. Different appliance, vent connector, or common vent types are possible. Consult Section 502.3.

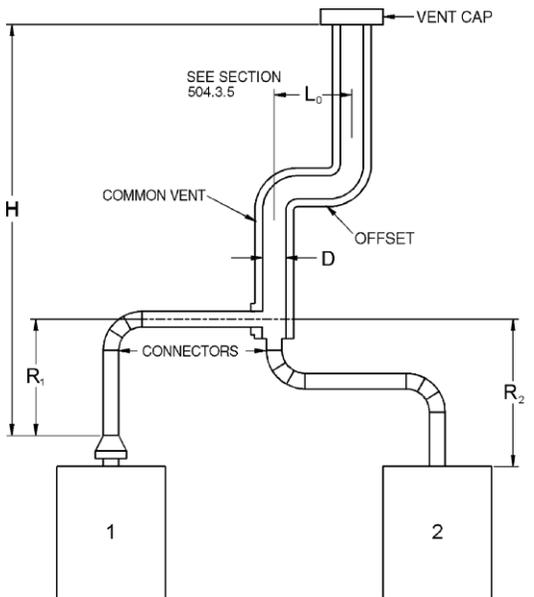
**FIGURE B-11
USE OF MANIFOLD COMMON VENT CONNECTOR**



Vent connector size depends on: Common vent size depends on:

1. Input • Combined inputs
2. Rise • Available total height “H”
3. Available total height “H” • Table G2428.3(1) in this code or Table 504.3(1) in the JFGC common vent
4. Table G2428.3(1) in this code or Table 504.3(1) in the JFGC connectors

**FIGURE B-13
MULTISTORY GAS VENT DESIGN PROCEDURE
FOR EACH SEGMENT OF SYSTEM**



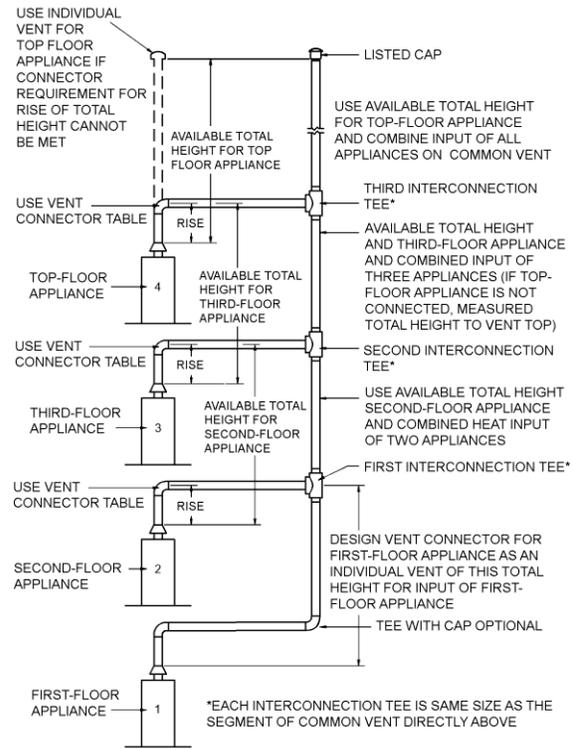
Example: Offset Common Vent

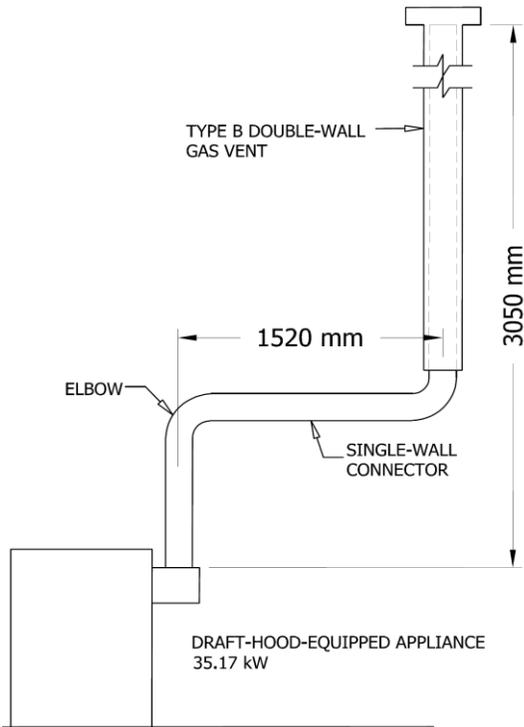
Note: This is an illustration of a typical offset vent. Different appliance, vent connector, or vent types are possible. Consult Sections 504.2 and 504.3.

**FIGURE B-12
USE OF OFFSET COMMON VENT**

Principles of design of multistory vents using vent connector and common vent design tables (see Sections 504.3.11 through 504.3.17) in the JFGC.

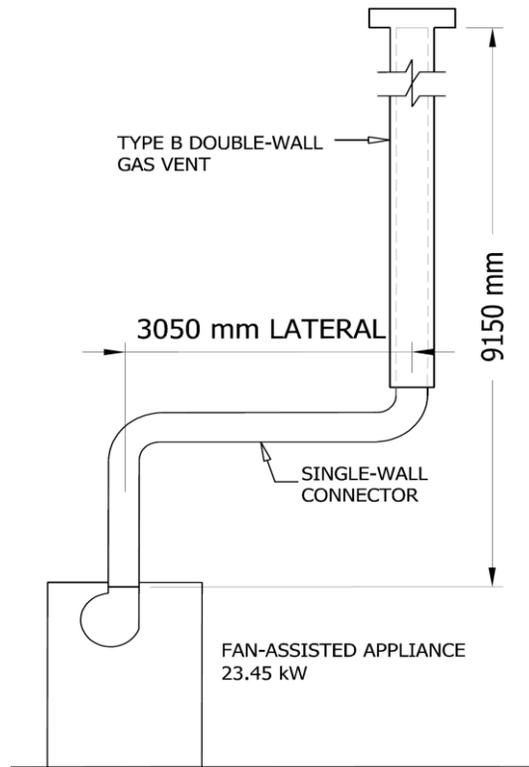
FIGURE
B-14
MULTISTORY
VENT SYSTEMS





For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 W = 3.4118 British thermal unit per hour, 1 kJ/h = 0.9434 Btu/h.

**FIGURE B-15 (EXAMPLE 1)
SINGLE DRAFT-HOOD-EQUIPPED APPLIANCE**



For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 W = 3.4118 British thermal unit per hour, 1 kJ/h = 0.9434 Btu/h.

**FIGURE B-16 (EXAMPLE 2)
SINGLE FAN-ASSISTED APPLIANCE**

- (b) If three 90-degree elbows are used in the vent system, then the maximum vent capacity listed in the tables shall be reduced by 10 percent (see Section 504.2.3 for single *appliance* vents). This implies that the 125 mm (5-inch)-diameter vent has an adjusted capacity of only 32,241 W (110,000 Btu per hour). In this case, the vent system shall be increased to 150 mm (6 inches) in diameter (see the following calculations).

$35,759 \text{ W} (0.90) = 32,182 \text{ W}$ for 125 mm (5-inch) vent
 From Table G2428.2(2) in this code or Table 504.2(2) in the JFGC, Select 150 mm (6-inch) vent. $54,517 \text{ W} (0.90) = 49,065 \text{ W}$; This is greater than the required 35,172 W.
 Therefore, use a 150 mm (6-inch) vent and connector where three elbows are used.

Example 2: Single fan-assisted appliance.

An installer has an 23,448 W (80,000 Btu per hour) input fan-assisted *appliance* that shall be installed using 3,050 mm (10 feet) of lateral connector attached to a 9,150 mm- (30-foot)-high Type B vent. Two 90-degree elbows are needed for the installation. Can a single-wall metal vent connector be used for this application?

Solution:

Table G2428.2(2) in this code or Table 504.2(2) in the JFGC refers to the use of single-wall metal vent connectors with Type B vent. In the first column find the row associated with a 9150 mm- (30-foot) height and a 3,050 mm (10-foot) lateral. Read across this row, looking at the FAN Min and FAN Max columns, to find that a 76 mm (3-inch)-diameter single-wall metal vent connector is not recommended. Moving to the next larger size single wall connector (100 mm [4 inches]), note that a 100 mm (4-inch)-diameter single-wall metal connector has a recommended minimum vent capacity of 26,672 W (91,000 Btu per hour) and a recommended maximum vent capacity of 42,206 W (144,000 Btu per hour). The 23,448 W (80,000 Btu per hour) fan-assisted *appliance* is outside this range, so the conclusion is that a single-wall metal vent connector cannot be used to vent this *appliance* using 3,050 mm (10 feet) of lateral for the connector.

However, if the 23,448 W (80,000 Btu per hour) input *appliance* could be moved to within 1,525 mm (5 feet) of the vertical vent, then a 100 mm (4-inch) single-wall metal connector could be used to vent the *appliance*. Table G2428.2(2) in this code or Table 504.2(2) in the JFGC shows the acceptable range of vent capacities for a 100 mm (4-inch) vent with 1,525 mm (5 feet) of lateral to be between 21,103 W (72,000 Btu per hour) and 46,017 W (157,000 Btu per hour).

If the *appliance* cannot be moved closer to the vertical vent, then Type B vent could be used as the connector material. In this case, Table G2428.2(1) in this code or Table 504.2(1) in the JFGC shows that for a 9,150 mm (30-foot)- high vent with 3,050 mm (10 feet) of lateral, the acceptable range of vent capacities for a 100 mm (4-inch)-diameter vent attached to a fan- assisted *appliance* is between 10,845 W (37,000 Btu per hour) and 43,965 W (150,000 Btu per hour).

Example 3: Interpolating between table values.

An installer has an 23,448 W (80,000 Btu per hour) input *appliance* with a 100 mm (4-inch)-diameter draft hood outlet that needs to be vented into a 3,660 mm (12-foot)-

high Type B vent. The vent connector has a 1,525 mm (5-foot) lateral length and is also Type B. Can this *appliance* be vented using a 100 mm (4-inch)-diameter vent?

Solution:

Table 504.2(1) is used in the case of an all Type B vent system. However, since there is no entry in Table 504.2(1) for a height of 3,660 mm (12 feet), interpolation shall be used. Read down the 100 mm (4-inch) diameter NAT Max column to the row associated with 3,050 mm (10-foot) height and 1,525 mm (5-foot) lateral to find the capacity value of 22,569 W (77,000 Btu per hour). Read further down to the 4,575 mm (15-foot) height, 1,525 mm (5-foot) lateral row to find the capacity value of 25,500 W (87,000 Btu per hour). The difference between the 4,575 mm (15-foot) height capacity value and the 3,050 mm (10-foot) height capacity value is 2,931 W (10,000 Btu per hour). The capacity for a vent system with a 3,660 mm (12-foot) height is equal to the capacity for a 3,050 mm (10-foot) height plus $\frac{2}{5}$ of the difference between the 3,050 mm (10-foot) and 4,575 mm (15-foot) height values, or $22,568.7 + \frac{2}{5} (2931) = 23,741.1 \text{ W}$ [$77,000 + \frac{2}{5} (10,000) = 81,000$ Btu per hour]. Therefore, a 100 mm (4-inch)-diameter vent can be used in the installation.

EXAMPLES USING COMMON VENTING TABLES

Example 4: Common venting two draft-hood-equipped appliances.

A 10,258 W (35,000 Btu per hour) water heater is to be common vented with a 43,965 W (150,000 Btu per hour) furnace using a common vent with a total height of 9,150 mm (30 feet). The connector rise is 610 mm (2 feet) for the water heater with a horizontal length of 1,220 mm (4 feet). The connector rise for the furnace is 915 mm (3 feet) with a horizontal length of 2,450 mm (8 feet). Assume single-wall metal connectors will be used with Type B vent. What size connectors and combined vent should be used in this installation?

Solution:

Table 504.3(2) should be used to size single-wall metal vent connectors attached to Type B vertical vents. In the vent connector capacity portion of Table G2428.3(2) in this code or Table 504.3(2) in the JFGC, find the row associated with a 9,150 mm (30-foot) vent height. For a 610 mm (2-foot) rise on the vent connector for the water heater, read the shaded columns for draft-hood-equipped appliances to find that a 76 mm (3-inch)-diameter vent connector has a capacity of 10,845 W (37,000 Btu per hour). Therefore, a 76 mm (3-inch) single-wall metal vent connector can be used with the water heater. For a draft-hood-equipped furnace with a 915 mm (3-foot) rise, read across the appropriate row to find that a 125 mm (5-inch)-diameter vent connector has a maximum capacity of 35,172 W (120,000 Btu per hour), which is too small for the furnace, and a 150 mm (6-inch)-diameter vent connector has a maximum vent capacity of 50,413 W (172,000 Btu per hour). Therefore, a 150 mm (6-inch-) diameter vent connector should be used with the 43,965 W (150,000 Btu per hour) furnace. Since both vent connector horizontal lengths are less than the maximum lengths listed in Section 504.3.2, the table values can be used without adjustments.

In the common vent capacity portion of Table 504.3(2), find the row associated with a 9,150 mm (30-foot) vent height and read over to the NAT + NAT portion of the 150 mm (6-inch)-diameter column to find a maximum combined capacity of 75, 327 W

(257,000 Btu per hour). Since the two appliances total only 54,223 W (185,000 Btu per hour), a 150 mm (6-inch)

Common vent can be used.

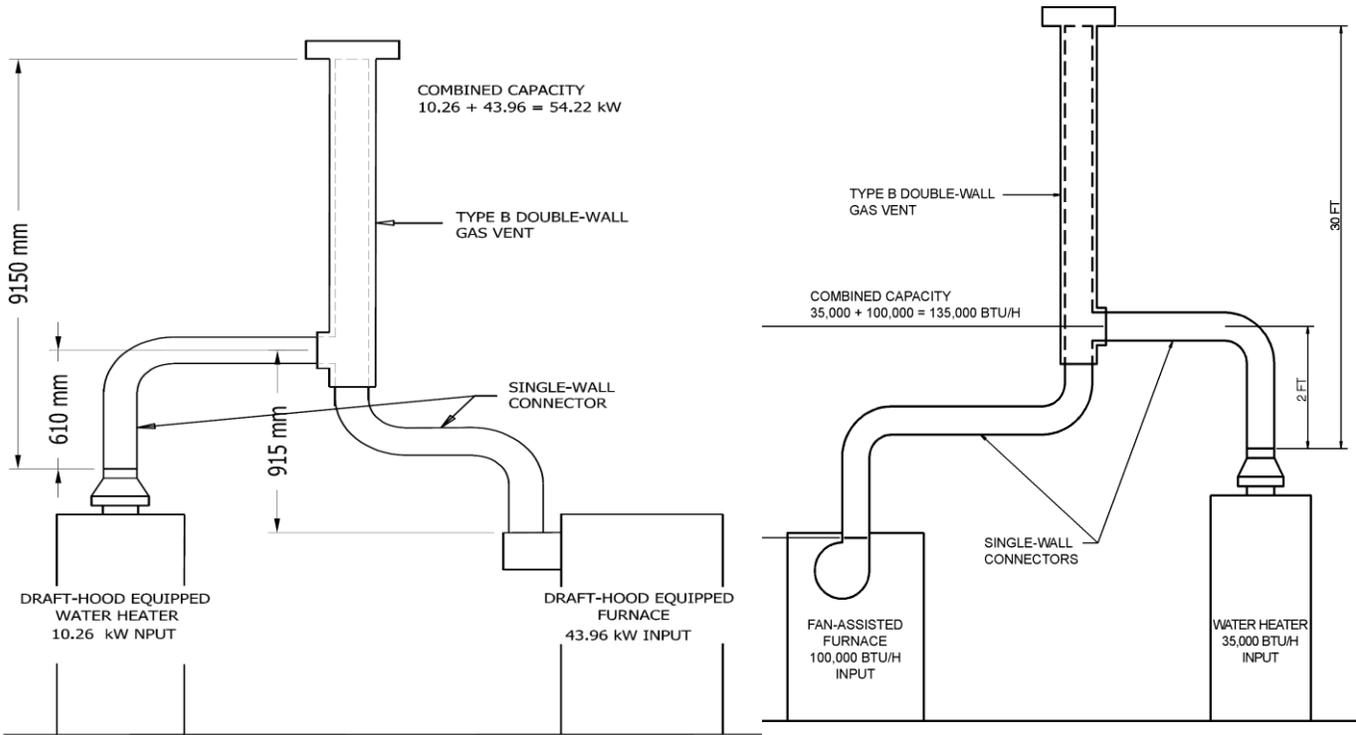
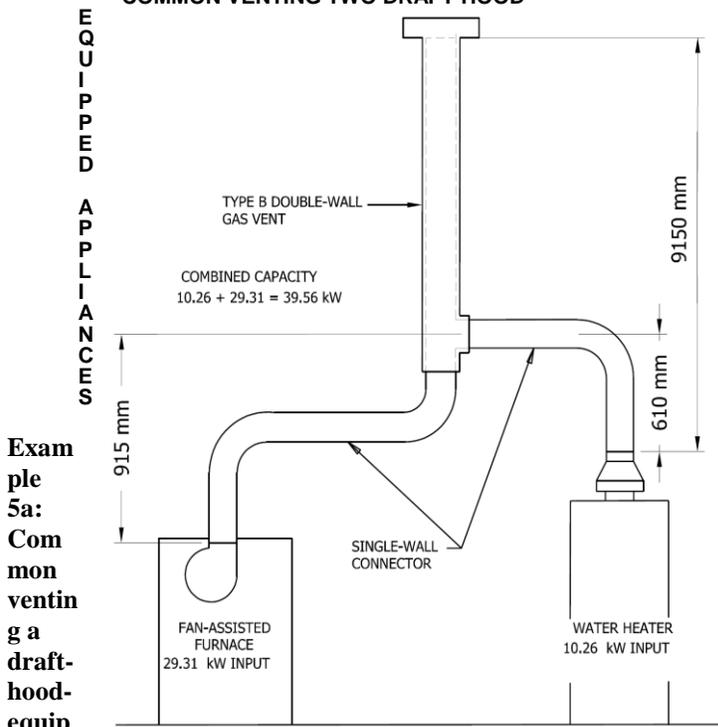


FIGURE B-17 (EXAMPLE 4)
COMMON VENTING TWO DRAFT-HOOD

FIGURE

FIGURE B-18 (EXAMPLE 5A)
COMMON VENTING A DRAFT HOOD WITH A FAN-ASSISTED FURNACE INTO A TYPE B DOUBLE-WALL COMMON VENT



Example 5a:
Common venting a draft-hood-equipped water heater with a fan-assisted furnace into a Type B vent.

In this case, a 10,258 W (35,000 Btu per hour) input draft-hood-equipped water heater with a 100 mm (4-inch)-diameter draft hood outlet, 610 mm (2

feet) of connector rise, and 1,220 mm (4 feet) of horizontal length is to be common vented with a 29,310 W (100,000 Btu per hour) fan-assisted furnace with a 100 mm (4-inch)-diameter flue collar, 915 mm (3 feet) of connector rise, and 1,830 mm (6 feet) of horizontal length. The common vent consists of a 9,150 mm (30-foot) height of Type B vent. What are the recommended vent diameters for each connector and the common vent? The installer would like to use a single-wall metal vent connector.

Solution: [Table G2428.3(2) in this code or Table 504.3(2) in the JFGC].

Water Heater Vent Connector Diameter. Since the water heater vent connector horizontal length of

1,220 mm (4 feet) is less than the maximum value listed in Section 504.3.2, the venting table values can be used without adjustments. Using the Vent Connector Capacity portion of Table 504.3(2), read down the Total Vent Height (H) column to 9,150 mm (30 feet) and read across the 610 mm (2-foot) Connector Rise (R) row to the first Watt (Btu per hour) rating in the NAT Max column that is equal to or greater than the water heater input rating. The table shows that a 76 mm (3-inch) vent connector has a maximum input rating of 10,845 W (37,000 Btu per hour). Although this is greater than the water heater input rating, a 76 mm (3-inch) vent connector is prohibited by Section 504.3.21. A 100 mm (4-inch) vent connector has a maximum input rating of not more than 19,638 W (67,000 Btu per hour) and is equal to the draft hood *outlet* diameter. A 100 mm (4-inch) vent connector is selected. Since the water heater is equipped with a draft hood, there are no minimum input rating restrictions.

Furnace Vent Connector Diameter. Using the Vent Connector Capacity portion of Table 504.3(2), read down the Total Vent Height (H) column to 9,150 mm (30 feet) and across the 915 mm (3-foot) Connector Rise (R) row. Since the furnace has a fan-assisted combustion system, find the first FAN Max column with a Watt (Btu per hour) rating greater than the furnace input rating. The 100 mm (4-inch) vent connector has a maximum input rating of 34,879 W (119,000 Btu per hour) and a minimum input rating of 24,914 W (85,000 Btu per hour). The 29,310 W (100,000 Btu per hour) furnace in this example falls within this range, so a 100 mm (4-inch) connector is adequate. Since the furnace vent connector horizontal length of 1,830 mm (6 feet) does not exceed the maximum value listed in Section 504.3.2, the venting table values can be used without adjustment. If the furnace had an input rating of 23,448 W (80,000 Btu per hour), then a Type B vent connector [see Table 504.3(1)] would be needed in order to meet the minimum capacity limit.

Common Vent Diameter. The total input to the common vent is 39,569 W (135,000 Btu per hour). Using the Common Vent Capacity portion of Table 504.3(2), read down the Total Vent Height (H) column to 9,150 mm (30 feet) and across this row to find the smallest vent diameter in the FAN + NAT column that has a Btu per hour rating equal to or greater than 39,569 W (135,000 Btu per hour). The 100 mm (4-inch) common vent has a capacity of 38,689 W (132,000 Btu per hour) and the 125 mm (5-inch) common vent has a capacity of 59,206 W (202,000 Btu per hour). Therefore, the 125 mm (5-inch) common vent should be used in this example.

Summary. In this example, the installer can use a 100 mm (4-inch)- diameter, single-wall metal vent connector for the water heater and a 100 mm (4-inch)-diameter, single-wall metal vent connector for the furnace. The common vent should be a 125 mm (5-inch)-diameter Type B vent.

Example 5b: Common venting into a masonry chimney.

In this case, the water heater and fan-assisted furnace of Example 5a are to be common vented into a clay tile-lined masonry chimney with a 9,150 mm (30-foot) height. The chimney is not exposed to the outdoors below the roof line. The internal

dimensions of the clay tile liner are nominally 205 mm by 305 mm (8 inches by 12 inches). Assuming the same vent connector heights, laterals, and materials found in Example 5a, what are the recommended vent connector diameters, and is this an acceptable installation?

Solution:

Table G2428.3(4) in this code or Table 504.3(4) in the JFGC is used to size common venting installations involving single-wall connectors into masonry chimneys.

Water Heater Vent Connector Diameter. Using Table G2428.3(4) in this code, Vent Connector Capacity, read down the Total Vent Height (*H*) column to 9,150 mm (30 feet), and read across the 610 mm (2-foot) Connector Rise (*R*) row to the first Watt (Btu per hour) rating in the NAT Max column that is equal to or greater than the water heater input rating. The table shows that a 76 mm (3-inch) vent connector has a maximum input of only 9,086 W (31,000 Btu per hour) while a 100 mm (4-inch) vent connector has a maximum input of 16,707 W (57,000 Btu per hour). A 100 mm (4-inch) vent connector shall therefore be used.

Furnace Vent Connector Diameter. Using the Vent Connector Capacity portion of Table G2428.3(4), read down the Total Vent Height (*H*) column to 9,150 mm (30 feet) and across the 915 mm (3-foot) Connector Rise (*R*) row. Since the furnace has a fan-assisted combustion system, find the first FAN Max column with a Watt (Btu per hour) rating greater than the furnace input rating. The 4-inch vent connector has a maximum input rating of 37,224 W (127,000 Btu per hour) and a minimum input rating of 27,845 W (95,000 Btu per hour). The 29,310 W (100,000 Btu per hour) furnace in this example falls within this range, so a 100 mm (4-inch) connector is adequate.

Masonry Chimney. From Table B-1, the equivalent area for a nominal liner size of 205 mm by 305 mm (8 inches by 12 inches) is 410.3 cm² (63.6 square inches). Using Table G2428.3(4) in this code, Common Vent Capacity, read down the FAN + NAT column under the Minimum Internal Area of Chimney value of 63 to the row for 9,150 mm (30-foot) height to find a capacity value of 216,601 W (739,000 Btu per hour). The combined input rating of the furnace and water heater, 39,569 W (135,000 Btu per hour), is less than the table value, so this is an acceptable installation.

Section 504.3.17 requires the common vent area to be not greater than seven times the smallest *listed appliance* categorized vent area, flue collar area, or draft hood outlet area. Both appliances in this installation have 100 mm (4-inch)-diameter outlets. From Table B-1, the equivalent area for an inside diameter of 100 mm (4 inches) is 78.71 cm² (12.2 square inches). Seven times 78.71 cm² equals 550.97 cm² (12.2 ins² equals 85.4 ins²), which is greater than 410.3 cm² (63.6 ins²), so this configuration is acceptable.

Example 5c: Common venting into an exterior masonry chimney.

In this case, the water heater and fan-assisted furnace of Examples 5a and 5b are to be common vented into an exterior masonry chimney. The chimney height, clay tile liner dimensions, and vent connector heights and laterals are the same as in Example 5b. This system is being installed in Charlotte, North Carolina. Does this exterior masonry chimney need to be relined? If so, what corrugated metallic liner size is recommended? What vent connector diameters are recommended?

Solution:

In accordance with Section 504.3.20, Type B vent connectors are required to be used with exterior masonry chimneys. Use Tables 504.3(7a), (7b) in the JFGC to size FAN+NAT common venting installations involving Type-B double wall connectors into exterior masonry chimneys.

The local 99-percent winter design temperature needed to use Table 504.3(7b) in the JFGC can be found in the ASHRAE *Handbook of Fundamentals*. For Charlotte, North Carolina, this design temperature is -7.2°C (19°F).

Chimney Liner Requirement. As in Example 5b, use the 406.5 cm^2 (63 square inch) Internal Area columns for this size clay tile liner. Read down the 406.5 cm^2 (63 square inch) column of Table 504.3(7a) in the JFGC to the 9,150 mm (30-foot) height row to find that the combined *appliance* maximum input is 218,946 W (747,000 Btu per hour). The combined input rating of the appliances in this installation, 39,569 W (135,000 Btu per hour), is less than the maximum value, so this criterion is satisfied. Table 504.3(7b) in the JFGC, at a -7.2°C (19°F) design temperature, and at the same vent height and internal area used above, shows that the minimum allowable input rating of a space-heating appliance is 218,946 W (470,000 Btu per hour). The furnace input rating of 29,310 W (100,000 Btu per hour) is less than this minimum value. So this criterion is not satisfied, and an alternative venting design needs to be used, such as a Type B vent shown in Example 5a or a *listed* chimney liner system shown in the remainder of the example.

In accordance with Section 504.3.19, Table G2428.3 (1) or G2428.3(2) in this code is used for sizing corrugated metallic liners in masonry chimneys, with the maximum common vent capacities reduced by 20 percent. This example will be continued assuming Type B vent connectors.

Water Heater Vent Connector Diameter. Using Table G2428.3(!), Vent Connector Capacity, read down the Total Vent Height (*H*) column to 9,150 W (30 feet), and read across the 610 mm (2-foot) Connector Rise (*R*) row to the first Watt (Btu/h) rating in the NAT Max column that is equal to or greater than the water heater input rating. The table shows that a 76 mm (3-inch) vent connector has a maximum capacity of 11,431 W (39,000 Btu/h). Although this rating is greater than the water heater input rating, a 76 mm (3-inch) vent connector is prohibited by Section 504.3.21. A 100 mm (4-inch) vent connector has a maximum input rating of 20,517 W (70,000 Btu/h) and is equal to the draft hood outlet diameter. A 100 mm (4-inch) vent connector is selected.

Furnace Vent Connector Diameter. Using Table

G2428.3(1), Vent Connector Capacity, read down the Vent Height (*H*) column to 9,150 mm (30 feet), and read across the 915 mm (3-foot) Connector Rise (*R*) row to the first Watt (Btu per hour) rating in the FAN Max

**TABLE
B-1
MASONRY CHIMNEY LINER
DIMENSIONS WITH
CIRCULAR EQUIVALENTS^a**

NOMINAL LINER SIZE (millimetres)	INSIDE DIMENSIONS OF LINER (millimetres)	INSIDE DIAMETER OR EQUIVALENT DIAMETER (millimetres)	EQUIVALENT AREA (square metres)
100 × 205	64 × 162	100	0.00787
		125	0.01265
		150	0.01826
		180	0.02471
205 × 205	169 × 169	188	0.02755
		205	0.03245
205 × 305	162 × 268	230	0.04103
		255	0.05065
305 × 305	248 × 248	264	0.05374
		280	0.06129
305 × 405	242 × 336	300	0.06935
		305	0.07290
		355	0.09929
405 × 405	336 × 336	368	0.10510
		380	0.11400
405 × 510	330 × 432	412	0.13297
		455	0.16413
510 × 510	425 × 425	462	0.16787
		508	0.20265
510 × 610	419 × 520	511	0.20271
		559	0.24523
610 × 610	520 × 520	561	0.24523
		610	0.29181
610 × 712	520 × 520	612	0.29432
712 × 712	616 × 616	671	0.35052
		686	0.36935
760 × 760	648 × 648	709	0.39161
		760	0.45600
760 × 915	648 × 800	785	0.48381
		838	0.55181
915 × 915	800 × 800	874	0.59961
		915	0.65671

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 m² = 1,550 square inches.

- a. Where liner sizes differ dimensionally from those shown in Table B-1, equivalent diameters can be determined from published tables for square and rectangular ducts of equivalent carrying capacity or by other engineering methods.

column that is equal to or greater than the furnace input rating. The 29,310 W (100,000 Btu per hour) furnace in this example falls within this range, so a 100 mm (4-inch) connector is adequate.

For 99% winter design temperature in Jamaica, consult the *ASHRAE Handbook—Fundamentals*.

FIGURE B-19

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Chimney Liner Diameter. The total input to the common vent is 39,569 W (135,000 Btu per hour). Using the Common Vent Capacity Portion of Table G2428.3(1), read down the Vent Height (*H*) column to 9,150 mm (30 feet) and across this row to find the smallest vent diameter in the FAN+NAT column that has a Watt (Btu per hour) rating greater than 39,569 W (135,000 Btu per hour). The 100 mm (4-inch) common vent has a capacity of 40,448 W (138,000 Btu per hour). Reducing the maximum capacity by 20 percent (Section 504.3.19) results in a maximum capacity for a 100 mm (4-inch) corrugated liner of 32,241 W (110,000 Btu per hour), less than the total input of 39,569 W (135,000 Btu per hour). So a larger liner is needed. The 125 mm (5-inch) common vent capacity *listed* in Table G2428.3(1) is 61,551 W (210,000 Btu per hour), and after reducing by 20 percent is 49,241 W (168,000 Btu per hour). Therefore, a 125 mm (5-inch) corrugated metal liner should be used in this example.

Single-Wall Connectors. Once it has been established that relining the chimney is necessary, Type B double-wall vent connectors are not specifically required. This example could be redone using Table 504.3(2) for single-wall vent connectors. For this case, the vent connector and liner diameters would be the same as found above with Type B double-wall connectors.

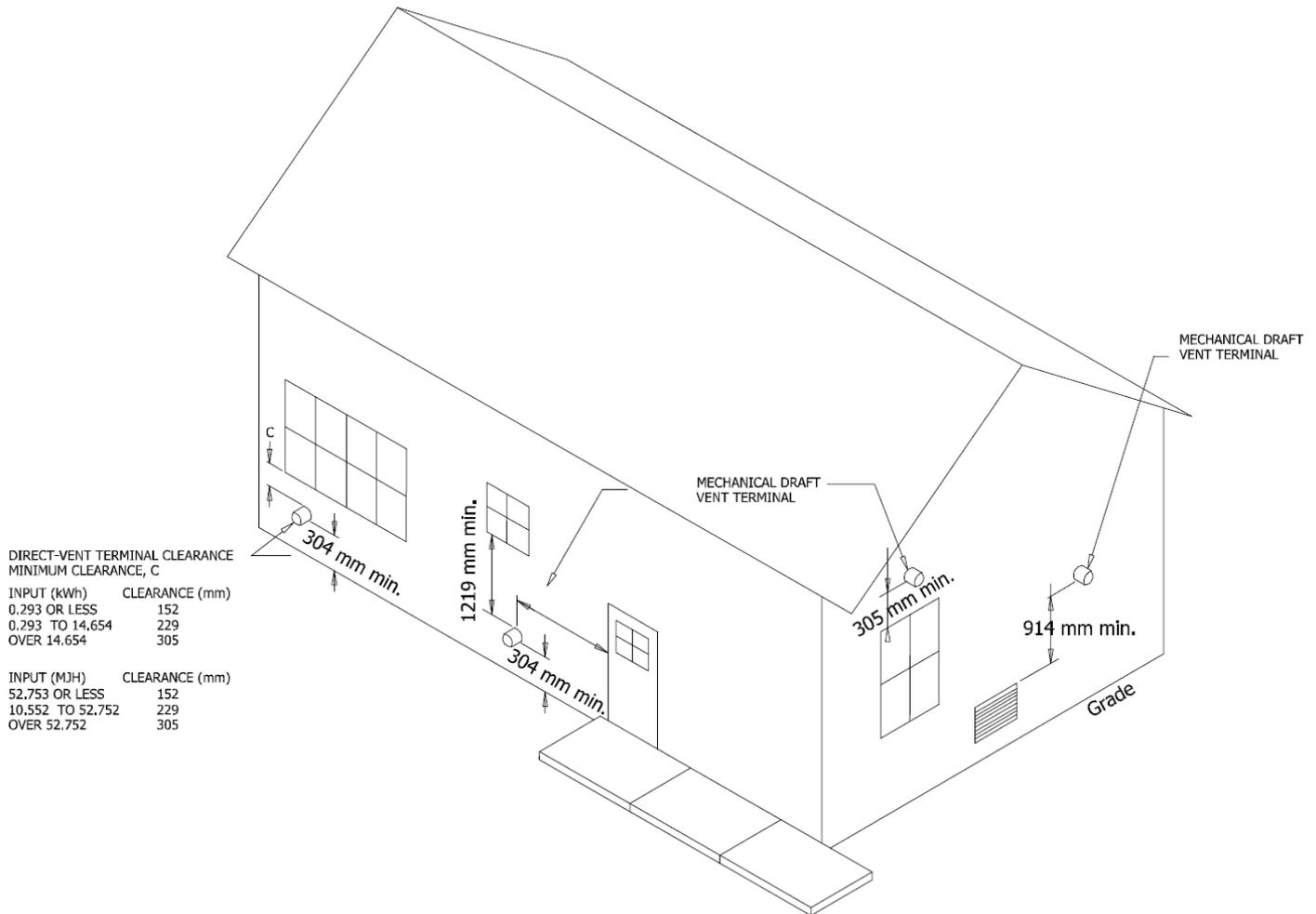
APPENDIX C

EXIT TERMINALS OF MECHANICAL DRAFT AND DIRECT-VENT VENTING SYSTEMS

This appendix is informative and is not part of the code. This appendix is an excerpt from the 2020 Jamaica Fuel Gas Code, coordinated with the section numbering of the Jamaica Residential Code.

User note:

About this appendix: Appendix C provides a graphic depiction of the venting terminal location requirements of the code.



For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 W = 0.00328 foot, 1 W = 3.412 British thermal unit per hour.

APPENDIX D

RECOMMENDED PROCEDURE FOR SAFETY INSPECTION OF AN EXISTING APPLIANCE INSTALLATION

*This appendix is not a part of the requirements of this code and is included for informational purposes only.
This appendix is an excerpt from the 2020 Jamaica Fuel Gas Code, coordinated with the section numbering of the Jamaica Residential Code.*

User note:

About this appendix: Appendix D provides procedures for testing and inspecting existing gas appliance installations for safe operation.

D.1 General. The following procedure is intended as a guide to aid in determining that an appliance is properly installed and is in a safe condition for continued use. Where a gas supplier performs an inspection, their written procedures should be followed.

D.1.1 Application. This procedure is intended for existing residential installations of a furnace, boiler, room heater, water heater, cooking appliance, fireplace appliance and clothes dryer. This procedure should be performed prior to any attempt to modify the appliance installation or building envelope.

D.1.2 Weatherization Programmes. Before a building envelope is to be modified as part of a weatherization programme, the existing appliance installation should be inspected in accordance with these procedures. After all unsafe conditions are repaired, and immediately after the weatherization is complete, the appliance inspections in D.5.2 are to be repeated.

D.1.3 Inspection Procedure. The safety of the building occupant and inspector are to be determined as the first step as described in D.2. Only after the ambient environment is found to be safe should inspections of gas piping and appliances be undertaken. It is recommended that all inspections described in D.3, D.4, and D.6, where the appliance is in the off mode, be completed and any unsafe conditions repaired or corrected before continuing with inspections of an operating appliance described in D.5 and D.6.

D.1.4 Manufacturer Instructions. Where available, the manufacturer's installation and operating instructions for the installed appliances should be used as part of these inspection procedures to determine if it is installed correctly and is operating properly.

D.1.5 Instruments. The inspection procedures include measuring for fuel gas and carbon monoxide (CO) and will require the use of a combustible gas detector (CGD) and a CO detector. It is recommended that both types of detectors be listed. Prior to any inspection, the detectors should be calibrated or tested in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions. In addition, it is recommended that the detectors have the following minimum specifications.

- (1) Gas Detector: The CGD should be capable of indicating the presence of the type of fuel gas for which it is to be used, for example, natural gas or propane. The

combustible gas detector should be capable of the following:

- a. *PPM:* Numeric display with a parts per million (ppm) scale from 1ppm to 900 ppm in 1 ppm increments.
 - b. *LEL:* Numeric display with a percent lower explosive limit (% LEL) scale from 0 percent to 100 percent in 1 percent increments.
 - c. *Audio:* An audio sound feature to locate leaks.
2. CO Detector: The CO detector should be capable of the following functions and have a numeric display scale as follows:
 - a. *PPM:* For measuring ambient room and appliance emissions a display scale in parts per million (ppm) from 0 to 1,000 ppm in 1 ppm increments.
 - b. *Alarm:* A sound alarm function where hazardous levels of ambient CO is found (see D.2 for alarm levels)
 - c. *Air Free:* Capable of converting CO measurements to an air free level in ppm. Where a CO detector is used without an air free conversion function, the CO air free can be calculated in accordance with Note 3 in Table D.6.

D.2 Occupant and Inspector Safety. Prior to entering a building, the inspector should have both a combustible gas detector (CGD) and CO detector turned on, calibrated, and operating. Immediately upon entering the building, a sample of the ambient atmosphere should be taken. Based on CGD and CO detector readings, the inspector should take the following actions:

- i) The CO detector indicates a carbon monoxide level of 70 ppm or greater¹. The inspector should immediately notify the occupant of the need for themselves and any building occupant to evacuate; the inspector shall immediately evacuate and call 911.
- ii) Where the CO detector indicates a reading between 30 ppm and 70 ppm¹. The inspector should advise the occupant that high CO levels have been found and recommend that all possible sources of CO should be turned off immediately and windows and doors

¹ U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, *Responding to Residential Carbon Monoxide Incidents, Guidelines For Fire and Other Emergency Response Personnel*,

opened. Where it appears that the source of CO is a permanently installed appliance, advise the occupant to keep the appliance off and have the appliance serviced by a qualified servicing agent.

- (3) Where CO detector indicates CO below 30 ppm¹ the inspection can continue.
- (4) The CGD indicates a combustible gas level of 20-percent LEL or greater. The inspector should immediately notify the occupant of the need for themselves and any building occupant to evacuate; the inspector shall immediately evacuate and call 311 or 119 or 911.
- (5) The CGD indicates a combustible gas level below 20-percent LEL, the inspection can continue.

If during the inspection process it is determined a condition exists that could result in unsafe appliance operation, shut off the appliance and advise the owner of the unsafe condition. Where a gas leak is found that could result in an unsafe condition, advise the owner of the unsafe condition and turn off the gas supply or call the gas supplier to turn off the gas supply. The inspector should not continue a safety inspection on an operating appliance, venting system, and piping system until repairs have been made.

D.3 Gas Piping and Connection Inspections.

- i) **Leak Checks.** Conduct a test for gas leakage using either a noncorrosive leak detection solution or a CGD confirmed with a leak detection solution.

The preferred method for leak checking is by use of gas leak detection solution applied to all joints. This method provides a reliable visual indication of significant leaks.

The use of a CGD in its audio sensing mode can quickly locate suspect leaks but can be overly sensitive indicating insignificant and false leaks. Suspect leaks found through the use of a CGD should be confirmed using a leak detection solution.

Where gas leakage is confirmed, the owner should be notified that repairs shall be made. The inspection should include the following components:

- a. Gas piping fittings located within the appliance space.
 - b. Appliance connector fittings.
 - c. Appliance gas valve/regulator housing and connections.
- (2) **Appliance Connector.** Verify that the appliance connection type is compliant with Section G2422 of the *Jamaica Fuel Gas Code*. Inspect flexible appliance connections to determine if they are free of cracks, corrosion and signs of damage. Verify that there are no uncoated brass connectors. Where connectors are determined to be unsafe or where an uncoated brass connector is found, the appliance shut-off valve should be placed in the off position and the owner notified that the connector shall be replaced.

- (3) **Piping Support.** Inspect piping to determine that it is adequately supported, that there is no undue stress on the piping, and if there are any improperly capped pipe openings.
- (4) **Bonding.** Verify that the electrical bonding of gas piping is compliant with Section G2411 of the *Jamaica Fuel Gas Code*.

D.4 Inspections to be performed with the Appliance Not Operating. The following safety inspection procedures are performed on appliances that are not operating. These inspections are applicable to all appliance installations.

1. **Preparing for Inspection.** Shut off all gas and electrical power to the appliances located in the same room being inspected. For gas supply, use the shutoff valve in the supply line or at the manifold serving each appliance. For electrical power, place the circuit breaker in the off position or put in the "OFF" position the disconnect switch that serves each appliance. A lock type device or tag should be installed on each gas shutoff valve and at the electrical panel to indicate that the service has been shut off for inspection purposes.
2. **Vent System Size and Installation.** Verify that the existing venting system size and installation are compliant with Chapter 5 of the *Jamaica Fuel Gas Code*. The size and installation of venting systems for other than natural draft and Category I appliances should be in compliance with the manufacturer's installation instructions. Inspect the venting system to determine that it is free of blockage, restriction, leakage, corrosion, minimum clearance distance to exhaust air obstruction or infiltration back into habitable space and other deficiencies that could cause an unsafe condition. Inspect masonry chimneys to determine if they are lined. Inspect plastic venting system to determine that it is free of sagging and it is sloped in an upward direction to the outdoor vent termination.
3. **Combustion Air Supply.** Inspect provisions for combustion air as follows:
 - a. **Nondirect-vent Appliances.** Determine that non-direct vent appliance installations are compliant with the combustion air requirements in Section G2407 of the *Jamaica Fuel Gas Code*. Inspect any interior and exterior combustion air openings and any connected combustion air ducts to determine that there is no blockage, restriction, corrosion or damage. Inspect to determine that the upper horizontal combustion air duct is not sloped in a downward direction toward the air supply source.
 - b. **Direct Vent Appliances.** Verify that the combustion air supply ducts and pipes are securely fastened to direct vent appliance and determine that there are no separations, blockage, restriction, corrosion or other damage. Determine that the combustion air source is located in the

¹ U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, *Responding to Residential Carbon Monoxide Incidents, Guidelines For Fire and Other Emergency Response Personnel*, Approved 7/23/02.

outdoors or to areas that freely communicate to the outdoors.

- c. *Unvented Appliances.* Verify that the total input of all unvented room heaters and gasfired refrigerators installed in the same room or rooms that freely communicate with each other does not exceed 0.16574 W/m^3 (20 Btu/hr/ft^3).
4. *Flooded Appliances.* Inspect for flood damage to the appliance. Signs of flooding include a visible water submerge line on the appliance housing, excessive surface or component rust, deposited debris on internal components, and mildew-like odor. Inform the owner that any part of the appliance control system and any appliance gas control that has been under water shall be replaced. Flood-damaged plumbing, heating, cooling and electrical appliances should be replaced.
5. *Flammable Vapours.* Inspect the room/space where the appliance is installed to determine if the area is free of the storage of gasoline or any flammable products such as oil-based solvents, varnishes or adhesives. Where the appliance is installed where flammable products will be stored or used, such as a garage, verify that the appliance burner(s) is not less than 455 mm (18 inches) above the floor unless the appliance is listed as flammable vapour ignition resistant.
6. *Clearances to Combustibles.* Inspect the immediate location where the appliance is installed to determine if the area is free of rags, paper or other combustibles. Verify that the appliance and venting system are compliant with clearances to combustible building components in accordance with Sections G2408.5, G2425.15.4, G2426.5, G2427.6.2, G2427.10.5 and other applicable sections of Section G2427.
7. *Appliance Components.* Inspect internal components by removing access panels or other components for the following:
 - a. Inspect burners and crossovers for blockage and corrosion. The presence of soot, debris, and signs of excessive heating are potential indicators of incomplete combustion caused by blockage or improper burner adjustments.
 - b. Metallic and nonmetallic hoses for signs of cracks, splitting, corrosion, and loose connections.
 - c. Signs of improper or incomplete repairs
 - d. Modifications that override controls and safety systems
 - e. Electrical wiring for loose connections; cracks, missing or worn electrical insulation; and indications of excessive heat or electrical shorting. Appliances requiring an external electrical supply should be inspected for proper electrical connection in accordance with the Jamaica Electric Code.

8. *Placing Appliances Back in Operation.* Return all inspected appliances and systems to their preexisting state by reinstalling any removed access panels and components. Turn on the gas supply and electricity to each appliance found in safe condition. Proceed to the operating inspections in D.5 through D.6.

D.5 Inspections to be performed with the Appliance Operating. The following safety inspection procedures are to be performed on appliances that are operating where there are no unsafe conditions or where corrective repairs have been completed.

D.5.1 General Appliance Operation.

- (1) *Initial Startup.* Adjust the thermostat or other control device to start the appliance. Verify that the appliance starts up normally and is operating properly.

Determine that the pilot(s), where provided, is burning properly and that the main burner ignition is satisfactory, by interrupting and re-establishing the electrical supply to the appliance in any convenient manner. If the appliance is equipped with a continuous pilot(s), test all pilot safety devices to determine whether they are operating properly by extinguishing the pilot(s) when the main burner(s) is off and determining, after 3 minutes, that the main burner gas does not flow upon a call for heat. If the appliance is not provided with a pilot(s), test for proper operation of the ignition system in accordance with the appliance manufacturer's lighting and operating instructions.

- (2) *Flame Appearance.* Visually inspect the flame appearance for proper color and appearance. Visually determine that the main burner gas is burning properly (i.e., without floating, lifting or flashback). Adjust the primary air shutter as required. If the appliance is equipped with high and low flame controlling or flame modulation, check for proper main burner operation at low flame.
- (3) *Appliance Shutdown.* Adjust the thermostat or other control device to shut down the appliance. Verify that the appliance shuts off properly.

D.5.2 Test for Combustion Air and Vent Drafting for Natural Draft and Category I Appliances. Combustion air and vent draft procedures are for natural draft and category I appliances equipped with a draft hood and connected to a natural draft venting system.

- (1) *Preparing for Inspection.* Close all exterior building doors and windows and all interior doors between the space in which the appliance is located and other spaces of the building that can be closed. Turn on any clothes dryer. Turn on any exhaust fans, such as range hoods and bathroom exhausts, so they will operate at maximum speed. Do not operate a summer exhaust fan. Close fireplace dampers and any fireplace doors.
- (2) *Placing the Appliance in Operation.* Place the appliance being inspected in operation. Adjust the thermostat or control so the appliance will operate continuously.

3. *Spillage Test.* Verify that all appliances located within the same room are in their standby mode and ready for operation. Follow lighting instructions for each appliance as necessary. Test for spillage at the draft hood relief opening as follows:
 - a. After 5 minutes of main burner operation, check for spillage using smoke.
 - b. Immediately after the first check, turn on all other fuel gas burning appliances within the same room so they will operate at their full inputs and repeat the spillage test.
 - c. Shut down all appliances to their standby mode and wait for 15 minutes.
 - d. Repeat the spillage test steps a through c on each appliance being inspected.
4. *Additional Spillage Tests:* Determine if the appliance venting is impacted by other door and air handler settings by performing the following tests.
 - a. Set initial test condition in accordance with D.5.2 (1).
 - b. Place the appliance(s) being inspected in operation. Adjust the thermostat or control so the appliance(s) will operate continuously.
 - c. Open the door between the space in which the appliance(s) is located and the rest of the building. After 5 minutes of main burner operation, check for spillage at each appliance using smoke.
 - d. Turn on any other central heating or cooling air handler fan that is located outside of the area where the appliances are being inspected. After 5 minutes of main burner operation, check for spillage at each appliance using smoke. The test should be conducted with the door between the space in which the appliance(s) is located and the rest of the building in the open and in the closed position.
5. Return doors, windows, exhaust fans, fireplace dampers, and any other fuel gas burning appliance to their previous conditions of use.
6. If, after completing the spillage test it is believed sufficient combustion air is not available, the owner should be notified that an alternative combustion air source is needed in accordance with Section G2407 of the *Jamaica Fuel Gas Code*. Where it is believed that the venting system does not provide adequate natural draft, the owner should be notified that alternative vent sizing, design or configuration is needed in accordance with Chapter 24 of the *Jamaica Fuel Gas Code*. If spillage occurs, the owner should be notified as to its cause, be instructed as to which position of the door (open or closed) would lessen its impact, and that corrective action by a HVAC professional should be taken.

D.6 Appliance-Specific Inspections. The following appliance-specific inspections are to be performed as part of a

complete inspection. These inspections are performed either with the appliance in the off or standby mode (indicated by “OFF”) or on an appliance that is operating (indicated by “ON”). The CO measurements are to be undertaken only after the appliance is determined to be properly venting. The CO detector should be capable of calculating CO emissions in ppm air free.

1. **Forced Air Furnaces:**
 - a. OFF. Verify that an air filter is installed and that it is not excessively blocked with dust.
 - b. OFF. Inspect visible portions of the furnace combustion chamber for cracks, ruptures, holes, and corrosion. A heat exchanger leakage test should be conducted.
 - c. ON. Verify both the limit control and the fan control are operating properly. Limit control operation can be checked by blocking the circulating air inlet or temporarily disconnecting the electrical supply to the blower motor and determining that the limit control acts to shut off the main burner gas.
 - d. ON. Verify that the blower compartment door is properly installed and can be properly resecured if opened. Verify that the blower compartment door safety switch operates properly.
 - e. ON. Check for flame disturbance before and after blower comes on which can indicate heat exchanger leaks.
 - f. ON. Measure the CO in the vent after 5 minutes of main burner operation. The CO should not exceed threshold in Table D.6.
2. **Boilers:**
 - a. OFF and ON. Inspect for evidence of water leaks around boiler and connected piping.
 - b. ON. Verify that the water pumps are in operating condition. Test low water cutoffs, automatic feed controls, pressure and temperature limit controls, and relief valves in accordance with the manufacturer’s recommendations to determine that they are in operating condition.
 - c. ON. Measure the CO in the vent after 5 minutes of main burner operation. The CO should not exceed threshold in Table D.6.
3. **Water Heaters:**
 - a. OFF. Verify that the pressure-temperature relief valve is in operating condition. Water in the heater should be at operating temperature.
 - b. OFF. Verify that inspection covers, glass, and gaskets are intact and in place on a flammable vapour ignition resistant (FVIR) type water heater.
 - c. ON. Verify that the thermostat is set in accordance with the manufacturer’s operating instructions and measure the water temperature at the closest tub or sink to verify that it is not

greater than 48.9°C (120°F).

- d. OFF. Where required by the local building code in earthquake prone locations, inspect that the water heater is secured to the wall studs in two locations (high and low) using appropriate metal strapping and bolts.
 - e. ON. Measure the CO in the vent after 5 minutes of main burner operation. The CO should not exceed threshold in Table D.6.
4. Cooking Appliances
- a. OFF. Inspect oven cavity and range-top exhaust vent for blockage with aluminum foil or other materials.
 - b. OFF. Inspect cook top to verify that it is free from a build-up of grease.
 - c. ON. Measure the CO above each burner and at the oven exhaust vents after 5 minutes of burner operation. The CO should not exceed threshold in Table D.6.
5. Vented Room Heaters
- a. OFF. For built-in room heaters and wall furnaces, inspect that the burner compartment is free of lint and debris.
 - b. OFF. Inspect that furnishings and combustible building components are not blocking the heater.
 - c. ON. Measure the CO in the vent after 5 minutes of main burner operation. The CO should not exceed threshold in Table D.6.
6. Vent-Free (unvented) Heaters
- a. OFF. Verify that the heater input is not more than 42,400 Joules (40,000 Btu) input, but not more than 10,600 Joules (10,000 Btu) where installed in a bedroom, and 6,360 Joules (6,000 Btu) where installed in a bathroom.
 - b. OFF. Inspect the ceramic logs provided with gas log type vent free heaters that they are properly located and aligned.
 - c. OFF. Inspect the heater that it is free of excess lint build-up and debris.
 - d. OFF. Verify that the oxygen depletion safety shutoff system has not been altered or bypassed.
 - e. ON. Verify that the main burner shuts down within 3 minutes by extinguishing the pilot light. The test is meant to simulate the operation of the oxygen depletion system (ODS).
 - f. ON. Measure the CO after 5 minutes of main burner operation. The CO should not exceed threshold in Table D.6.
7. Gas Log Sets and Gas Fireplaces
- a. OFF. For gas logs installed in wood burning fireplaces equipped with a damper, verify that the fireplace damper is in a fixed open position.
 - b. ON. Measure the CO in the firebox (log sets installed in wood burning fireplaces or in the vent (gas fireplace) after 5 minutes of main burner operation. The CO should not exceed threshold in Table D.6.
8. Gas Clothes Dryer
- a. OFF. Where installed in a closet, verify that a source of make-up air is provided and inspect that any make-up air openings, louvers, and ducts are free of blockage.
 - b. OFF. Inspect for excess amounts of lint around the dryer and on dryer components. Inspect that there is a lint trap properly installed and it does not have holes or tears. Verify that it is in a clean condition.
 - c. OFF. Inspect visible portions of the exhaust duct and connections for loose fittings and connections, blockage, and signs of corrosion. Verify that the duct termination is not blocked and that it terminates in an outdoor location. Verify that only approved metal vent ducting material is installed (plastic and vinyl materials are not approved for gas dryers).
 - d. ON. Verify mechanical components including drum and blower are operating properly.
 - e. ON. Operate the clothes dryer and verify that exhaust system is intact and exhaust is exiting the termination.
 - f. ON. Measure the CO at the exhaust duct or termination after 5 minutes of main burner operation. The CO should not exceed threshold in Table D.6.

**TABLE D.6
CO THRESHOLDS**

Boilers (all categories)	400 ppm air free
Central Furnace (all categories)	400 ppm ¹ air free ^{2, 3}
Floor Furnace	400 ppm air free
Gravity Furnace	400 ppm air free
Wall Furnace (BIV)	200 ppm air free
Wall Furnace (Direct Vent)	400 ppm air free
Vented Room Heater	200 ppm air free
Vent-Free Room Heater	200 ppm air free
Water Heater	200 ppm air free
Oven/Broiler	225 ppm as measured
Top Burner	25 ppm as measured (per burner)
Clothes Dryer	400 ppm air free
Refrigerator	25 ppm as measured
Gas Log (gas fireplace)	25 ppm as measured in vent
Gas Log (installed in wood burning fireplace)	400 ppm air free in firebox

1. Parts per million

2. Air free emission levels are based on a mathematical equation (involving carbon monoxide and oxygen or carbon dioxide readings) to convert an actual diluted flue gas carbon monoxide testing sample to an undiluted air

free flue gas carbon monoxide level utilized in the appliance certification standards. For natural gas or propane, using as-measured CO ppm and O₂ percentage:

$$\text{CO}_{\text{AFppm}} = \left(\frac{20.9}{20.9 - \text{O}_2} \right) \times \text{CO}_{\text{ppm}}$$

where:

CO_{AFppm} = Carbon monoxide, air-free ppm

CO_{ppm} = As-measured combustion gas carbon monoxide ppm

O₂ = Percentage of oxygen in combustion gas, as a percentage

3. An alternate method of calculating the CO air free when access to an oxygen meter is not available:

$$\text{CO}_{\text{AFppm}} = \left(\frac{\text{UCO}_2}{\text{CO}_2} \right) \times \text{CO}$$

where:

UCO₂ = Ultimate concentration of carbon dioxide for the fuel being burned in percent for natural gas (12.2 percent) and propane (14.0 percent)

CO₂ = Measured concentration of carbon dioxide in combustion products in percent

CO = Measured concentration of carbon monoxide in combustion products in percent

APPENDIX E

MANUFACTURED HOUSING USED AS DWELLINGS

The provisions contained in this appendix are not mandatory unless specifically referenced in the adopting ordinance.

User note:

About this appendix: Appendix E regulates the installation, relocation, maintenance and repair of manufactured housing, including mobile homes. It addresses permits, fees, inspections, utility service, location on a lot and foundation systems. This appendix is not intended to regulate the design and construction of those portions of manufactured housing or mobile homes that are above the foundation system except where manufactured housing or mobile homes are moved or altered. Federal standards regulate those portions of manufactured housing and mobile homes that are above the foundation system.

SECTION AE101 SCOPE

AE101.1 General. These provisions shall be applicable only to a *manufactured home* used as a single *dwelling unit* installed on privately owned (nonrental) lots and shall apply to the following:

- a. Construction, *alteration* and repair of any foundation system that is necessary to provide for the installation of a *manufactured home unit*.
- b. Construction, installation, *addition*, *alteration*, repair or maintenance of the building service *equipment* that is necessary for connecting *manufactured homes* to water, fuel, or power supplies and sewage systems.
- c. *Alterations*, *additions* or repairs to existing *manufactured homes*. The construction, *alteration*, moving, demolition, repair and use of accessory buildings and structures, and their building service *equipment*, shall comply with the requirements of the codes adopted by this *jurisdiction*.

These provisions shall not be applicable to the design and construction of *manufactured homes* and shall not be deemed to authorize either modifications or *additions* to *manufactured homes* where otherwise prohibited.

AE101.2 Flood hazard areas. New and replacement manufactured homes to be installed in flood hazard areas as established in Table R301.2(1) shall meet the applicable requirements of Section R322.

SECTION AE102 APPLICATION TO EXISTING MANUFACTURED HOMES AND BUILDING SERVICE EQUIPMENT

AE102.1 General. *Manufactured homes* and their building service *equipment* to which *additions*, *alterations* or repairs are made shall comply with all the requirements of these provisions for new facilities, except as specifically provided in this section.

AE102.2 Additions, alterations or repairs. *Additions* made to a *manufactured home* shall conform to one of the following:

1. Be certified under the National Manufactured Housing Construction and Safety Standards Act of 1974 (42 U.S.C. Section 5401, et seq.).
2. Be designed and constructed to comply with the applicable provisions of the National Manufactured Housing Construction and Safety Standards Act of 1974 (42 U.S.C. Section 5401, et seq.).
3. Be designed and constructed in compliance with the code adopted by this *jurisdiction*.

Additions shall be structurally separated from the *manufactured home*.

Exception: A structural separation need not be provided where structural calculations are provided to justify the omission of such separation.

Alterations or repairs may be made to any *manufactured home* or to its building service *equipment* without requiring the existing *manufactured home* or its building service *equipment* to comply with all the requirements of these provisions, provided that the *alteration* or repair conforms to that required for new construction, and provided further that hazard to life, health or safety will not be created by such *additions*, *alterations* or repairs.

Alterations or repairs to an existing *manufactured home*, which are nonstructural and do not adversely affect any structural member or any part of the building or structure having required fire protection, shall be made with materials equivalent to those of which the *manufactured home* structure is constructed, subject to approval by the *building official*.

Exception: The installation or replacement of glass shall be required for new installations.

Minor *additions*, *alterations* and repairs to existing building service *equipment* installations may be made in accordance with the codes in effect at the time the original installation was made, subject to the approval of the *building*

official, and provided that such *additions, alterations* and repairs will not cause the existing building service *equipment* to become unsafe, insanitary or overloaded.

AE102.3 Existing installations. Building service *equipment* lawfully in existence at the time of the adoption of the applicable codes shall have their use, maintenance or repair continued if the use, maintenance or repair is in accordance with the original design and hazard to life, health or property has not been created by such building service *equipment*.

AE102.4 Existing occupancy. *Manufactured homes* that are in existence at the time of the adoption of these provisions shall have their existing use or occupancy continued if such use or occupancy was legal at the time of the adoption of these provisions, provided that such continued use is not dangerous to life, health and safety.

The use or occupancy of any existing *manufactured home* shall not be changed unless evidence satisfactory to the *building official* is provided to show compliance with all applicable provisions of the codes adopted by this *jurisdiction*. Upon any change in use or occupancy, the *manufactured home* shall cease to be classified as such within the intent of these provisions.

AE102.5 Maintenance. *Manufactured homes* and their building service *equipment*, existing and new, and all parts thereof, shall be maintained in a safe and sanitary condition. Devices or safeguards that are required by applicable codes or by the *Manufactured Home Standards* shall be maintained in conformance to the code or standard under which it was installed. The owner or the owner's designated agent shall be responsible for the maintenance of *manufactured homes*, accessory buildings, structures and their building service *equipment*. To determine compliance with this section, the *building official* has the authority to cause any *manufactured home*, accessory building or structure to be reinspected.

AE102.6 Relocation. *Manufactured homes* that are to be relocated within this *jurisdiction* shall comply with these provisions.

SECTION AE201 DEFINITIONS

AE201.1 General. For the purpose of these provisions, certain abbreviations, terms, phrases, words and their derivatives shall be construed as defined or specified herein.

ACCESSORY BUILDING. Any building or structure or portion thereto, located on the same property as a *manufactured home*, which does not qualify as a *manufactured home* as defined herein.

BUILDING SERVICE EQUIPMENT. Refers to the plumbing, mechanical and electrical *equipment*, including piping, wiring, fixtures and other accessories that provide sanitation, lighting, heating, ventilation, cooling, fire protection and facilities essential for the habitable occupancy of a *manufactured home* or accessory building or structure for its designated use and occupancy.

MANUFACTURED HOME. A structure transportable in one or more sections that, in the traveling mode, is 2,450 body mm (8 body feet)

or more in width or 12,200 body mm (40 body feet) or more in length or, where erected on site, is 30 m² (320 ft²) or more, and is built on a permanent chassis and designed to be used as a *dwelling* with or without a permanent foundation when connected to the required utilities, and includes the plumbing, heating, air-conditioning and electrical systems contained therein; except that such term shall include any structure that meets all of the requirements of this paragraph, except the size requirements and with respect to which the manufacturer voluntarily files a certification required by the Bureau of Standards Jamaica and complies with the standards established under this title.

For mobile homes built prior to June 15, 1976, a *label* certifying compliance with the *Standard for Mobile Homes*, NFPA 501, ANSI 119.1, in effect at the time of manufacture, is required. For the purpose of these provisions, a mobile home shall be considered to be a *manufactured home*.

MANUFACTURED HOME INSTALLATION. Construction that is required for the installation of a *manufactured home*, including the construction of the foundation system, required structural connections thereto and the installation of on-site water, gas, electrical and sewer systems and connections thereto that are necessary for the normal operation of the *manufactured home*.

MANUFACTURED HOME STANDARDS. The *Manufactured Home Construction and Safety Standards* as promulgated by the HUD.

PRIVATELY OWNED (NONRENTAL) LOT. A parcel of real estate outside of a *manufactured home* rental community (park) where the land and the *manufactured home* to be installed thereon are held in common ownership.

SECTION AE301 PERMITS

AE301.1 Initial installation. A *manufactured home* shall not be installed on a foundation system, reinstalled or altered without first obtaining a *permit* from the *Local Authority*. A separate *permit* shall be required for each *manufactured home* installation. Where *approved* by the *Local Authority*, the building permit may include accessory buildings and structures, and their building service *equipment*, if the accessory buildings or structures will be constructed in conjunction with the *manufactured home* installation.

AE301.2 Additions, alterations and repairs to a manufactured home. A *permit* shall be obtained to alter, remodel, repair or add accessory buildings or structures to a *manufactured home* subsequent to its initial installation. *Permit* issuance and fees therefor shall be in conformance to the codes applicable to the type of work involved.

An *addition* made to a *manufactured home*, as defined in these provisions, shall comply with these provisions.

AE301.3 Accessory buildings. Except as provided in Section AE301.1, *permits* shall be required for all accessory buildings and structures, and their building service *equipment*. *Permit* issuance and fees therefor shall be in conformance to the codes applicable to the types of work involved.

AE301.4 Exempted work. A *permit* shall not be required for the types of work specifically exempted by the applicable codes. Exemption from the *permit* requirements of any of said codes shall not be deemed to grant authorization for any work to be done in violation of the provisions of said codes or any other laws of this *jurisdiction*.

on plans and specifications to ensure compliance.

SECTION AE302 APPLICATION FOR PERMIT

AE302.1 Application. To obtain a *manufactured home installation permit*, the applicant shall first file an application, in writing, on a form furnished by the *Local Authority* for that purpose. At the option of the *Local Authority*, every such application shall:

- a. Identify and describe the building work to be covered by the *permit* for which application is made.
- b. Describe the land on which the proposed work is to be done by legal description, street address or similar description that will readily identify and definitely locate the proposed building or work.
- c. Indicate the use or occupancy for which the proposed work is intended.
- d. Be accompanied by plans, diagrams, computations and specifications, and other data as required in Section AE302.2.
- e. Be accompanied by a soil investigation where required by Section AE502.2.
- f. State the valuation of any new building or structure; or any *addition*, remodeling or *alteration* to an existing building.
- g. Be signed by the permit holder, or the permittee's agent, who may be required to submit evidence to indicate such authority.
- h. Give other data and information where required by the

Local Authority.

AE302.2 Plans and specifications. Plans, engineering calculations, diagrams and other data as required by the *Local Authority* shall be submitted in not less than two sets with each application for a *permit*. The *Local Authority* has the authority to require plans, computations and specifications to be prepared and designed by an engineer or architect licensed by the state to practice as such.

Where unusual site conditions do not exist, the *Local Authority* has the authority to accept *approved* standard foundation plans and details in conjunction with the manufacturer's *approved* installation instructions without requiring the submittal of engineering calculations.

AE302.3 Information on plans and specifications. Plans and specifications shall be drawn to scale on substantial paper or cloth, and shall be of sufficient clarity to indicate the location, nature and extent of the building work proposed and shown in detail that it will conform to these provisions and all relevant laws, ordinances, rules and regulations. The *Local Authority* shall determine what information is required

within which building work shall commence.

SECTION AE303 PERMITS ISSUANCE

AE303.1 Issuance. The application, plans and specifications, and other data filed by an applicant for *permit* shall be reviewed by the *Local Authority*. Such plans may be reviewed by other departments of this *jurisdiction* to verify compliance with any applicable laws under their *jurisdiction*. If the *Local Authority* finds that the building work described in an application for a *permit*, and the plans, specifications and other data filed therewith, conform to the requirements of these provisions, and other data filed therewith conform to the requirements of these provisions and other pertinent codes, laws and ordinances, and that the fees specified in Section AE304 have been paid, the *Local Authority* shall issue a *permit* therefor to the applicant.

Upon issuing a *permit* where plans are required, the *building official* shall endorse in writing or stamp the plans and specifications *APPROVED*. Such *approved* plans and specifications shall not be changed, modified or altered without authorization from the *Local Authority*, and all work shall be done in accordance with the *approved* plans.

AE303.2 Retention of plans. One set of *approved* plans and specifications shall be returned to the applicant and shall be kept on the site of the building or work at all times during which the building work authorized thereby is in progress. One set of *approved* plans, specifications and computations shall be retained by the *Local Authority* until final approval of the building work.

AE303.3 Validity of permit. The issuance of a *permit* or approval of plans and specifications shall not be construed to be a *permit* for, or an approval of, any violation of any of these provisions or other pertinent codes of any other ordinance of the *jurisdiction*. A *building permit* presuming to give authority to violate or cancel these provisions shall not be valid.

The issuance of a *building permit* based on plans, specifications and other data shall not prevent the *Local Authority* from thereafter requiring the correction of errors in the plans, specifications and other data, or from preventing building operations being carried on thereunder when in violation of these provisions or of any other Building Law.

AE303.4 Expiration. Every *building permit* issued by the *Local Authority* under this code shall expire by limitation and become null and void if the building work authorized by the *building permit* is not commenced within 180 days from the date of the building permit, or if the building work authorized by the building permit is suspended or abandoned at any time after the building work is commenced for a period of 180 days. Before the building work can be recommenced, a new *building permit* shall be first obtained, and the permit fee shall be one-half the amount required for a new *building permit* for the building work, if changes have not been made or will not be made in the original plans and specifications for the building work, and provided further that the suspension or abandonment has not exceeded 1 year. In order to renew a *building permit* after expiration, the holder of the expired permit shall pay a new *permit* fee.

A permit holder may apply for an extension of the time

under that *permit* where the permit holder is unable to commence work within the time required by this section for good and satisfactory reasons. The *Local Authority* has the authority to extend the time for action by the permit holder for a period not exceeding 180 days upon written request by the permit holder showing that circumstances beyond the control of the permit-tee have prevented action from being taken. A *permit* shall not be extended more than once.

AE303.5 Suspension or revocation. The *Local Authority* may, in writing, suspend or revoke a *permit* issued under this code whenever the *permit* is issued in error or on the basis of incorrect information supplied, or in violation of any ordinance or regulation or any of these provisions.

SECTION AE304 FEES

AE304.1 Permit fees. The fee for each *manufactured home* installation *permit* shall be established by the *Local Authority*.

Where *permit* fees are to be based on the value or valuation of the building work to be performed, the determination of value or valuation under this code shall be made by the *Local Authority*. The value to be used shall be the total value of all work required for the *manufactured home* installation plus the total value of all work required for the construction of accessory buildings and structures for which the *permit* is issued, as well as all finish work, painting, roofing, electrical, plumbing, heating, air conditioning, elevators, fire-extinguishing systems and any other permanent *equipment* that is a part of the accessory building or structure. The value of the *manufactured home* itself shall not be included.

AE304.2 Plan review fees. Where plans or other data are required to be submitted by Section AE302.2, a plan review fee shall be paid at the time of submitting plans and specifications for review. Said plan review fee shall be as established by the *Local Authority*. Where plans are incomplete or changed so as to require additional plan review, an additional plan review fee shall be charged at a rate as established by the *Local Authority*.

AE304.3 Other provisions.

AE304.3.1 Expiration of plan review. Applications for which a *permit* has not been issued within 180 days following the date of application shall expire by limitation, and plans and other data submitted for review shall thereafter be returned to the applicant or destroyed by the *building official*. The *Local Authority* has the authority to extend the time for action by the applicant for a period not exceeding 180 days upon request by the applicant showing that circumstances beyond the control of the applicant have prevented action from being taken. An application shall not be extended more than once. In order to renew action on an application after expiration, the applicant shall resubmit plans and pay a new plan review fee.

AE304.3.2 Investigation fees—work without a permit.

AE304.3.2.1 Investigation. Whenever any work for which a *permit* is required by these provisions has been commenced without first obtaining said *permit*, a spe-

cial investigation shall be made before a *permit* is issued for such work.

AE304.3.2.2 Fee. An investigation fee, in addition to the *permit* fee, shall be collected whether or not a *permit* is then or subsequently issued. The investigation fee shall be equal to the amount of the *permit* fee required. The minimum investigation fee shall be the same as the minimum fee established by the *Local Authority*. The payment of the investigation fee shall not exempt any person from compliance with all other provisions of either these provisions or other pertinent codes or from any penalty prescribed by law.

AE304.3.3 Fee refunds.

AE304.3.3.1 Permit fee erroneously paid or collected. The *Local Authority* may refund any fee paid that was erroneously paid or collected under this code.

AE304.3.3.2 Permit fee paid where no work done. The *Local Authority* may authorize the refund of not more than 80 percent of the *permit* fee paid where no work has been done under a building *permit* issued in accordance with these provisions.

AE304.3.3.3 Plan review fee. The *Local Authority* may refund not more than 80 percent of the plan review fee paid where an application for a *permit* for which a plan review fee has been paid is withdrawn or canceled before any plan reviewing is done.

The *Local Authority* shall not authorize the refund of any fee paid, except upon written application by the original permit holder not later than 180 days after the date of the fee payment.

SECTION AE305 INSPECTIONS

AE305.1 General. All construction or work for which a *manufactured home* installation *permit* is required shall be subject to inspection by the *Local Authority*, and certain types of construction shall have continuous inspection by inspectors as specified in Section AE306. The *Building Authority* may survey any building or building work placed under its supervision/.

The holder of a *permit* shall cause the building work to be accessible and exposed for inspection purposes. Neither the *Local Authority* nor the Government shall be liable for expense entailed in the removal or replacement of any material required to allow inspection.

AE305.2 Inspection requests. It shall be the duty of the person doing the building work authorized by a *manufactured home* installation *permit* to notify the *Local Authority* that such work is ready for inspection. The *Local Authority* has the authority to require that every request for inspection be filed not less than one working day before such inspection is desired. The request shall be in writing or by telephone at the option of the *Local Authority*.

It shall be the duty of the person requesting any inspections required, either by these provisions or other applicable codes, to provide access to and means for proper inspection of such work.

AE305.3 Inspection record card. Work requiring a *manufactured home* installation *permit* shall not be commenced until the *permit* holder or the *permit* holder's agent shall have posted an inspection record card in a conspicuous place on the premises and in such position as to allow the *building official* conveniently to make the required entries thereon regarding inspection of the building work. This card shall be maintained in such position by the *permit* holder until final approval has been issued by the *Local Authority*.

AE305.4 Approval required. Work shall not be done on any part of the *manufactured home* installation beyond the point indicated in each successive inspection without first obtaining the approval of the *Local Authority*. Such approval shall be given only after an inspection has been made of each successive step in the construction as indicated by each of the inspections required in Section AE305.5. There shall be a final inspection and approval of the *manufactured home* installation, including connections to its building service *equipment*, when completed and ready for occupancy or use.

AE305.5 Required inspections.

AE305.5.1 Structural inspections for the manufactured home installation. Reinforcing steel or structural framework of any part of any *manufactured home* foundation system shall not be covered or concealed without first obtaining the approval of the *Local Authority*. The *building official*, upon notification from the *permit* holder or the *permit* holder's agent, shall make the following inspections and shall either approve that portion of the construction as completed or shall notify the *permit* holder or the *permit* holder's agent wherein the same fails to comply with these provisions or other applicable codes:

- iii. Anchorage inspection: To be made after the *manufactured home* has been installed and permanently anchored.
- i. Foundation inspection: To be made after excavations for footings are completed and any required reinforcing steel is in place. For concrete foundations, any required forms shall be in place prior to inspection. Materials for the foundation shall be on the job, except where concrete from a central mixing plant (commonly termed "transit mixed") is to be used, the concrete materials need not be on the job. Where the foundation is to be constructed of *approved* treated wood, requirements for additional framing inspections shall be subject to the evaluation of the *Local Authority*.
- ii. Concrete slab or under-floor inspection: To be made after all in-slab or under-floor building service *equipment*, conduit, piping accessories and other ancillary *equipment* items are in place but before any concrete is poured or the *manufactured home* is installed.

AE305.5.2 Structural inspections for accessory building and structures. Inspections for accessory buildings and structures shall be made as set forth in this code.

AE305.5.3 Building service equipment inspections. Building service *equipment* that is required as a part of a *manufactured home* installation, including accessory buildings and structures authorized by the same *permit*, shall be inspected by the *Local Authority*. Building service *equipment* shall be inspected and tested as required by the applicable codes. Such inspections and testing shall be limited to site construction and shall not include building service *equipment* that is a part of the *manufactured home* itself. No portion of any building service *equipment* intended to be concealed by any permanent portion of the construction shall be concealed until inspected and *approved*. Building service *equipment* shall not be connected to a water, fuel or power supply, or sewer system, until authorized by the *Local Authority*.

AE305.5.4 Final inspection. Where finish grading and the *manufactured home* installation, including the installation of all required building service *equipment*, is completed and the *manufactured home* is ready for occupancy, a final inspection shall be made.

AE305.6 Other inspections. In addition to the called inspections specified in Section AE305.5.4, the *Local Authority* has the authority to make or require other inspections of any construction work to ascertain compliance with these provisions or other codes and laws that are enforced by the code enforcement agency.

SECTION AE306 SPECIAL INSPECTIONS

AE306.1 General. In addition to the inspections required by Section AE305, the *Local Authority* has the authority to require the owner to employ building officials to perform functions during the construction of specific types of work as described in this code.

SECTION AE307 UTILITY SERVICE

AE307.1 General. Utility service shall not be provided to any building service *equipment* regulated by these provisions or other applicable codes, and for which a *manufactured home* installation *permit* is required by these provisions, until *approved* by the *Local Authority*.

SECTION AE401 OCCUPANCY CLASSIFICATION

AE401.1 Manufactured homes. A *manufactured home* shall be limited in use to a single *dwelling unit*.

AE401.2 Accessory buildings. Accessory buildings shall be classified as to occupancy by the *Local Authority* as set forth

in this code.

SECTION AE402 LOCATION ON PROPERTY

AE402.1 General. *Manufactured homes* and accessory buildings shall be located on the property in accordance with applicable codes and ordinances of this *jurisdiction*.

SECTION AE501 DESIGN

AE501.1 General. A *manufactured home* shall be installed on a foundation system designed and constructed to sustain within the stress limitations specified in this code and all loads specified in this code.

Exception: Where specifically authorized by the *Local Authority*, foundation and anchorage systems that are constructed in accordance with the methods specified in Section AE600 of these provisions, or in the HUD, *Permanent Foundations for Manufactured Housing*, 1984 Edition, Draft, shall be deemed to meet the requirements of this appendix.

AE501.2 Manufacturer's installation instructions. The installation instructions as provided by the manufacturer of the *manufactured home* shall be used to determine permissible points of support for vertical loads and points of attachment for anchorage systems used to resist horizontal and uplift forces.

AE501.3 Rationality. Any system or method of construction to be used shall submit to a rational analysis in accordance with well-established principles of mechanics.

SECTION AE502 FOUNDATION SYSTEMS

AE502.1 General. Foundation systems designed and constructed in accordance with this section shall be considered a permanent installation.

AE502.2 Soil classification. The classification of the soil at each *manufactured home* site shall be determined where required by the *Local Authority*. The *Local Authority* has the authority to require that the determination be made by a registered engineer licensed by the Government to conduct soil investigations.

The classification shall be based on observation and any necessary tests of the materials disclosed by borings or excavations made in appropriate locations. Additional studies may be necessary to evaluate soil strength, the effect of moisture variation on soil-bearing capacity, compressibility and expansiveness.

Where required by the *Local Authority*, the soil classification design-bearing capacity and lateral pressure shall be shown on the plans.

AE502.3 Footings and foundations. Footings and foundations, unless otherwise specifically provided, shall be constructed of materials specified by this code for the intended use. Footings of concrete and masonry shall be of solid material. Foundations supporting untreated wood shall extend not less than 205 mm (8 inches) above the adjacent finish *grade*. Footings shall have a minimum depth below

finished *grade* of 305 mm (12 inches) unless a greater depth is recommended by a foundation investigation.

Piers and bearing walls shall be supported on masonry or concrete foundations or piles, or other *approved* foundation systems that shall be of sufficient capacity to support all loads.

AE502.4 Foundation design. Where a design is provided, the foundation system shall be designed in accordance with the applicable structural provisions of this code and shall be designed to minimize differential settlement. Where a design is not provided, the minimum foundation requirements shall be as set forth in this code.

AE502.5 Drainage. Provisions shall be made for the control and drainage of surface water away from the *manufactured home*.

AE502.6 Under-floor clearances—ventilation and access. A minimum clearance of 305 mm (12 inches) shall be maintained beneath the lowest member of the floor support framing system. Clearances from the bottom of wood floor joists or perimeter joists shall be as specified in this code.

Under-floor spaces shall be ventilated with openings as specified in this code. If combustion air for one or more heat-producing *appliance* is taken from within the under-floor spaces, ventilation shall be adequate for proper *appliance* operation.

Under-floor access openings shall be provided. Such openings shall be not less than 455 mm (18 inches) in any dimension and not less than 0.279 m² (3 square feet) in area, and shall be located so that any water supply and sewer drain connections located under the *manufactured home* are accessible.

SECTION AE503 SKIRTING AND PERIMETER ENCLOSURES

AE503.1 Skirting and permanent perimeter enclosures. Skirting and permanent perimeter enclosures shall be installed only where specifically required by other laws or ordinances. Skirting shall be of material suitable for exterior exposure and contact with the ground. Permanent perimeter enclosures shall be constructed of materials as required by this code for regular foundation construction.

Skirting shall be installed in accordance with the skirting manufacturer's installation instructions. Skirting shall be adequately secured to ensure stability, minimize vibration and susceptibility to wind damage, and compensate for possible frost heave.

AE503.2 Retaining walls. Where retaining walls are used as a permanent perimeter enclosure, they shall resist the lateral displacements of soil or other materials and shall conform to this code as specified for foundation walls. Retaining walls and foundation walls shall be constructed of *approved* treated wood, concrete, masonry or other *approved* materials or combination of materials as for foundations as specified in this code. Siding materials shall extend below the top of the exte-

rior of the retaining or foundation wall, or the joint between the siding and enclosure wall shall be flashed in accordance with this code.

SECTION AE504 STRUCTURAL ADDITIONS

AE504.1 General. Accessory buildings shall not be structurally supported by or attached to a *manufactured home* unless engineering calculations are submitted to substantiate any proposed structural connection.

Exception: The *Local Authority* has the authority to waive the submission of engineering calculations if it is found that the nature of the building work applied for is such that engineering calculations are not necessary to show conformance to these provisions.

SECTION AE505 BUILDING SERVICE EQUIPMENT

AE505.1 General. The installation, *alteration*, repair, replacement, *addition* to or maintenance of the building service *equipment* within the *manufactured home* shall conform to regulations set forth in the *Manufactured Home Standards*. Such work that is located outside the *manufactured home* shall comply with the applicable codes adopted by this *jurisdiction*.

SECTION AE506 EXITS

AE506.1 Site development. Exterior stairways and ramps that provide egress to the public way shall comply with the applicable provisions of this code.

AE506.2 Accessory buildings. Every accessory building or portion thereof shall be provided with exits as required by this code.

SECTION AE507 OCCUPANCY, FIRE SAFETY AND ENERGY CONSERVATION STANDARDS

AE507.1 General. *Alterations* made to a *manufactured home* subsequent to its initial installation shall conform to the occupancy, fire safety and energy conservation requirements set forth in the *Manufactured Home Standards*.

SECTION AE600 SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS FOR FOUNDATION SYSTEMS

AE600.1 General. This section is applicable only where specifically authorized by the *Local Authority*.

SECTION AE601 FOOTINGS AND FOUNDATIONS

AE601.1 General. The capacity of individual load-bearing piers and their footings shall be sufficient to sustain all loads

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specified in this code within the stress limitations specified in this code. Footings, unless otherwise *approved* by the *Local Authority*, shall be placed level on firm, undisturbed soil or an engineered fill that is free of organic material, such as weeds and grasses. Where used, an engineered fill shall provide a minimum load-bearing capacity of not less than 48 kN/m² (1,000 pounds per square foot). Continuous footings shall conform to the requirements of this code. Section AE502 of these provisions shall apply to footings and foundations constructed under the provisions of this section.

SECTION AE602 PIER CONSTRUCTION

AE602.1 General. Piers shall be designed and constructed to distribute loads evenly. Multiple-section homes may have concentrated roof loads that will require special consideration. Load-bearing piers shall be constructed utilizing one of the following methods listed. Such piers shall be considered to resist only vertical forces acting in a downward direction. They shall not be considered as providing any resistance to horizontal loads induced by wind or earthquake forces.

1. A prefabricated load-bearing device that is *listed* and *labelled* for the intended use.
2. Mortar shall comply with ASTM C270, Type M, S or N; this may consist of one part Portland cement, one-half part hydrated lime and four parts sand by in height shall be not less than 405 mm by 405 mm (16 inches by 16 inches) consisting of interlocking masonry units and shall be fully capped with minimum 100 mm (4-inch) *solid masonry* units or equivalent.
3. Piers greater than 2,032 mm (80 inches) in height shall be constructed in accordance with the provisions of Item 2, provided that the piers shall be filled solid with grout and reinforced with four continuous No. 5 bars. One bar shall be placed in each corner cell of hollow masonry unit piers or in each corner of the grouted space of piers constructed of *solid masonry* units.
4. Cast-in-place concrete piers meeting the same size and height limitations of Items 1, 2 and 3 may be substituted for piers constructed of masonry units.

SECTION AE604 ANCHORAGE INSTALLATIONS

AE604.1 Ground anchors. Ground anchors shall be designed and installed to transfer the anchoring loads to the ground. The load-carrying portion of the ground anchors shall be installed to the full depth called for by the manufacturer's installation instructions and shall extend below the established frost line into undisturbed soil.

Manufactured ground anchors shall be listed and installed in accordance with the terms of their listing and the anchor manufacturer's instructions, and shall include the means of attachment of ties meeting the requirements of Section AE605. Ground anchor manufacturer's installation instruc-

volume. Lime shall not be used with plastic or waterproof cement.

3. A cast-in-place concrete pier with concrete having specified compressive strength at 28 days of 17,225 kPa (2,500 pounds per square inch).

Alternative materials and methods of construction used for piers shall be designed by a registered engineer or architect licensed by the Government to practice as such.

Caps and leveling spacers may be used for leveling of the *manufactured home*. Spacing of piers shall be as specified in the manufacturer's installation instructions, if available, or by an *approved* designer.

SECTION AE603 HEIGHT OF PIERS

AE603.1 General. Piers constructed as indicated in Section AE602 shall have heights as follows:

Except for corner piers, piers 915 mm (36 inches) or less in height shall be constructed of masonry units, placed with cores or cells vertically. Piers shall be installed with their long dimension at right angles to the main frame member they support and shall have a minimum cross-sectional area of 82,560 mm² (128 square inches). Piers shall be capped with minimum 100 mm (4-inch) *solid masonry* units or equivalent.

2. Piers between 915 mm and 2,032 mm (36 and 80 inches) in height and all corner piers greater than 610 mm (24 inches)

tions shall include the amount of preload required and load capacity in various types of soil. These instructions shall include tensioning adjustments where needed to prevent damage to the *manufactured home*, particularly damage that can be caused by frost heave. Each ground anchor shall be marked with the manufacturer's identification and listed model identification number, which shall be visible after installation. Instructions shall accompany each listed ground anchor specifying the types of soil for which the anchor is suitable under the requirements of this section.

Each *approved* ground anchor, when installed, shall be capable of resisting an allowable working load not less than 14 kN (3,150 pounds) in the direction of the tie plus a 50-percent overload [21 kN (4,725 pounds) total] without failure. Failure shall be considered to have occurred when the anchor moves more than 51 mm (2 inches) at a load of 21 kN (4,725 pounds) in the direction of the tie installation. Those ground anchors that are designed to be installed so that loads on the anchor are other than direct withdrawal shall be designed and installed to resist an applied design load of 14 Kn (3,150 pounds) at 40 to 50 degrees from vertical or within the angle limitations specified by the home manufacturer without displacing the tie end of the anchor more than 100 mm (4 inches) horizontally. Anchors designed for the connection of multiple ties shall be capable of resisting the combined working load and overload consistent with the intent expressed herein.

Where it is proposed to use ground anchors and the *building official* has reason to believe that the soil characteristics at a given site are such as to render the use of ground anchors

advisable, or where there is doubt regarding the ability of the ground anchors to obtain their listed capacity, the *Local Authority* has the authority to require that a representative field installation be made at the site in question and tested to demonstrate ground-anchor capacity. The *Local Authority* shall approve the test procedures.

AE604.2 Anchoring equipment. Anchoring *equipment*, where installed as a permanent installation, shall be capable of resisting all loads as specified within these provisions. Where the stabilizing system is designed by an engineer or architect licensed by the state to practice, such alternative designs shall include anchoring *equipment* capable of with-standing a load equal to 1.5 times the calculated load. Anchoring *equipment* shall be listed and *labelled* as being capable of meeting the requirements of these provisions. Anchors as specified in this code shall be attached to the main frame of the *manufactured home* by an *approved* 4.76 mm (³/₁₆-inch)-thick slotted steel plate anchoring device. Other anchoring devices or methods meeting the requirements of these provisions shall be subject to the evaluation and *approval* of the *Local Authority*.

Anchoring systems shall be so installed as to be permanent. Anchoring *equipment* shall be so designed to prevent self-disconnection with no hook ends used.

AE604.3 Resistance to weather deterioration. All anchoring *equipment*, tension devices and ties shall have a resistance to deterioration as required by this code.

AE604.4 Tensioning devices. Tensioning devices, such as turnbuckles or yoke-type fasteners, shall be ended with clevis or welded eyes.

SECTION AE605 TIES, MATERIALS AND INSTALLATION

AE605.1 General. Steel strapping, cable, chain or other *approved* materials shall be used for ties. Ties shall be fastened to ground anchors and drawn tight with turnbuckles or other adjustable tensioning devices or devices supplied with the ground anchor. Tie materials shall be capable of resisting an allowable working load of 14 kN (3,150 pounds) with not more than 2-percent elongation and shall withstand a 50-percent overload [21 kN (4,750 pounds)]. Ties shall comply with the weathering requirements of Section AE604.3. Ties shall connect the ground anchor and the main structural frame. Ties shall not connect to steel outrigger beams that fasten to and intersect the main structural frame unless specifically stated in the manufacturer's installation instructions. Connection of cable ties to main frame members shall be 16 mm (⁵/₈-inch) closed-eye bolts affixed to the frame member in an

approved manner. Cable ends shall be secured with not fewer than two U-bolt cable clamps with the "U" portion of the clamp installed on the short (dead) end

of the cable to ensure strength equal to that required by this section.

Wood floor support systems shall be fixed to perimeter foundation walls in accordance with provisions of this code. The minimum number of ties required per side shall be sufficient to resist the wind load stated in this code. Ties shall be as evenly spaced as practicable along the length of the *manu-*

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factured home with the distance from each end of the home and the tie nearest that end not exceeding 2,450 mm (8 feet). Where continuous straps are provided as vertical ties, such ties shall be positioned at rafters and studs. Where a vertical tie and diagonal tie are located at the same place, such ties connected to a single anchor that is capable of carrying both loads. Multiple-section *manufactured homes* require diagonal ties only. Diagonal ties shall be installed on the exterior main frame and slope to the exterior at an angle of 40 to 50 degrees from the vertical or within the angle limitations specified by the home manufacturer. Vertical ties that are not continuous over the top of the *manufactured home* shall be attached to the main frame.

SECTION AE606 REFERENCED STANDARDS

ASTM C270—14A	Specification for Mortar for Unit Masonry	AE602
NFPA 501—17	Standard on Manufactured Housing	AE201

APPENDIX F

RADON CONTROL METHODS

The provisions contained in this appendix are mandatory only for the areas identified.

User note:

About this appendix: Appendix F contains provisions that are intended to mitigate the transfer of radon gases from the soil into dwelling units. Radon is a radioactive gas that has been identified as a cancer-causing agent. Radon comes from the natural breakdown of uranium in soil, rock and water.

SECTION AF101 SCOPE

AF101.1 General. This appendix contains requirements for new construction in *areas* where radon-resistant construction is required.

Inclusion of this appendix shall be determined through the use of locally available data published by the International Centre for Environmental and Nuclear Sciences (ICENS) at the University of the West Indies Mona, Kingston 6 or determination of the Zone designation system in Figure AF101 and Table AF101(1) arising from the ICENS data.

SECTION AF102 DEFINITIONS

AF102.1 General. For the purpose of these requirements, the terms used shall be defined as follows:

DRAIN TILE LOOP. A continuous length of drain tile or perforated pipe extending around all or part of the internal or external perimeter of a *basement* or crawl space footing.

RADON GAS. A naturally occurring, chemically inert, radioactive gas that is not detectable by human senses. As a gas, it can move readily through particles of soil and rock, and can accumulate under the slabs and foundations of homes where it can easily enter into the living space through construction cracks and openings.

SOIL-GAS-RETARDER. A continuous membrane of 0.15 mm (6-mil) polyethylene or other equivalent material used to retard the flow of soil gases into a building.

SUBMEMBRANE DEPRESSURIZATION SYSTEM. A system designed to achieve lower submembrane air pressure relative to crawl space air pressure by use of a vent drawing air from beneath the soil-gas-retarder membrane.

SUBSLAB DEPRESSURIZATION SYSTEM (Active). A system designed to achieve lower sub-slab air pressure relative to indoor air pressure by use of a fan-powered vent drawing air from beneath the slab.

SUB-SLAB DEPRESSURIZATION SYSTEM (Passive). A system designed to achieve lower sub-slab air pressure relative to indoor air pressure by use of a vent pipe routed through the *conditioned space* of a building

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and connecting the sub-slab area with outdoor air, thereby relying on the convective flow of air upward in the vent to draw air from beneath the slab.

SECTION AF103 REQUIREMENTS

AF103.1 General. The following construction techniques are intended to resist radon entry and prepare the building for post-construction radon mitigation, if necessary (see Figure AF103). These techniques are required in areas where designated by the *jurisdiction*.

AF103.2 Subfloor preparation. A layer of gas-permeable material shall be placed under all concrete slabs and other floor systems that directly contact the ground and are within the walls of the living spaces of the building, to facilitate future installation of a sub-slab depressurization system, if needed. The gas-permeable layer shall consist of one of the following:

- A uniform layer of clean aggregate, not less than 100 mm (4 inches) thick. The aggregate shall consist of material that will pass through a 51 mm (2-inch) sieve and be retained by a 6.35 mm (¹/₄-inch) sieve.
- A uniform layer of sand (native or fill), not less than 100 mm (4 inches) thick, overlain by a layer or strips of geotextile drainage matting designed to allow the lateral flow of soil gases.
- Other materials, systems or floor designs with demonstrated capability to permit depressurization across the entire subfloor area.

AF103.3 Soil-gas-retarder. A minimum 0.15 mm (6-mil) [or 0.075 mm (3-mil) cross-laminated] polyethylene or equivalent flexible sheeting material shall be placed on top of the gas-permeable layer prior to casting the slab or placing the floor assembly to serve as a soil-gas-retarder by bridging any cracks that develop in the slab or floor assembly, and to prevent concrete from entering the void spaces in the aggregate base material. The sheeting shall cover the entire floor area with separate sections of sheeting lapped not less than 305 mm (12 inches). The sheeting shall fit closely around any pipe, wire or other penetrations of the material. Punctures or tears in the material shall be sealed or covered

AF103.4 Entry routes. Potential radon entry routes shall be

closed in accordance with Sections AF103.4.1 through AF103.4.10.

AF103.4.1 Floor openings. Openings around bathtubs, showers, water closets, pipes, wires or other objects that

penetrate concrete slabs, or other floor assemblies, shall be filled with a polyurethane caulk or equivalent sealant applied in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations.

AF103.4.2 Concrete joints. Control joints, isolation joints, construction joints, and any other joints in concrete slabs or between slabs and foundation walls shall be sealed with a caulk or sealant. Gaps and joints shall be cleared of loose material and filled with polyurethane caulk or other elastomeric sealant applied in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations.

AF103.4.3 Condensate drains. Condensate drains shall be trapped or routed through nonperforated pipe to daylight.

AF103.4.4 Sumps. Sump pits open to soil or serving as the termination point for sub-slab or exterior drain tile loops shall be covered with a gasketed or otherwise sealed lid. Sumps used as the suction point in a sub-slab depressurization system shall have a lid designed to accommodate the vent pipe. Sumps used as a floor drain shall have a lid equipped with a trapped inlet.

AF103.4.5 Foundation walls. Hollow block masonry foundation walls shall be constructed with either a continuous course of *solid masonry*, one course of masonry grouted solid, or a solid concrete beam at or above finished ground surface to prevent the passage of air from the interior of the wall into the living space. Where a brick veneer or other masonry ledge is installed, the course immediately below that ledge shall be sealed. Joints, cracks or other openings around all penetrations of both exterior and interior surfaces of masonry block or wood foundation walls below the ground surface shall be filled with polyurethane caulk or equivalent sealant. Penetrations of concrete walls shall be filled.

AF103.4.6 Damp-proofing. The exterior surfaces of portions of concrete and masonry block walls below the ground surface shall be dampproofed in accordance with Section R406.

AF103.4.7 Air-handling units. Air-handling units in crawl spaces shall be sealed to prevent air from being drawn into the unit.

Exception: Units with gasketed seams or units that are otherwise sealed by the manufacturer to prevent leakage.

AF103.4.8 Ducts. Ductwork passing through or beneath a slab shall be of seamless material unless the air-handling system is designed to maintain continuous positive pressure within such ducting. Joints in such ductwork shall be sealed to prevent air leakage.

Ductwork located in crawl spaces shall have seams and joints sealed by closure systems in accordance with Section M1601.4.1.

AF103.4.9 Crawl space floors. Openings around all penetrations through floors above crawl spaces shall be caulked or otherwise filled to prevent air leakage.

AF103.4.10 Crawl space access. Access doors and other openings or penetrations between *basements* and adjoining crawl spaces shall be closed, gasketed or otherwise filled to prevent air leakage.

AF103.5 Passive submembrane depressurization system. In buildings with crawl space foundations, the following components of a passive submembrane depressurization system shall be installed during construction.

Exception: Buildings in which an *approved* mechanical crawl space ventilation system or other equivalent system is installed.

AF103.5.1 Ventilation. Crawl spaces shall be provided with vents to the exterior of the building. The minimum net area of ventilation openings shall comply with Section R408.1.

AF103.5.2 Soil-gas-retarder. The soil in crawl spaces shall be covered with a continuous layer of minimum 0.15 mm (6-mil) polyethylene soil-gas-retarder. The ground cover shall be lapped not less than 305 mm (12 inches) at joints and shall extend to all foundation walls enclosing the crawl space area.

AF103.5.3 Vent pipe. A plumbing tee or other *approved* connection shall be inserted horizontally beneath the sheeting and connected to a 76 or 102 mm (3- or 4-inch)-diameter () fitting with a vertical vent pipe installed through the sheeting. The vent pipe shall be extended up through the building floors, and terminate not less than 305 mm (12 inches) above the roof in a location not less than 3,050 mm (10 feet) away from any window or other opening into the *conditioned spaces* of the building that is less than 610 mm (2 feet) below the exhaust point, and 3,050 mm (10 feet) from any window or other opening in adjoining or adjacent buildings.

AF103.6 Passive sub-slab depressurization system. In *basement* or slab-on-grade buildings, the following components of a passive sub-slab depressurization system shall be installed during construction.

AF103.6.1 Vent pipe. A minimum 76 mm (3-inch)-diameter ABS, PVC or equivalent gas-tight pipe shall be embedded vertically into the sub-slab aggregate or other permeable material before the slab is cast. A "T" fitting or equivalent method shall be used to ensure that the pipe opening remains within the sub-slab permeable material. Alternatively, the 76 mm (3-inch) pipe shall be inserted directly into an interior perimeter drain tile loop or through a sealed sump cover where the sump is exposed to the sub-slab aggregate or connected to it through a drainage system.

The pipe shall be extended up through the building floors, and terminate not less than 305 mm (12 inches) above the surface of the roof in a location not less than 3,050 mm (10 feet) away from any window or other opening into the *conditioned spaces* of the building that is less than 610 mm (2 feet) below the exhaust point, and 3,050 mm (10 feet) from any window or other opening in adjoining or adjacent buildings.

AF103.6.2 Multiple vent pipes. In buildings where interior footings or other barriers separate the sub-slab aggregate or other gas-permeable material, each area shall be fitted with an individual vent pipe. Vent pipes shall connect to a single vent that terminates above the roof or each individual vent pipe shall terminate separately above the roof.

AF103.7 Vent pipe drainage. Components of the radon vent pipe system shall be installed to provide positive drainage to the ground beneath the slab or soil-gas-retarder.

AF103.8 Vent pipe accessibility. Radon vent pipes shall be accessible for future fan installation through an *attic* or other area outside the *habitable space*.

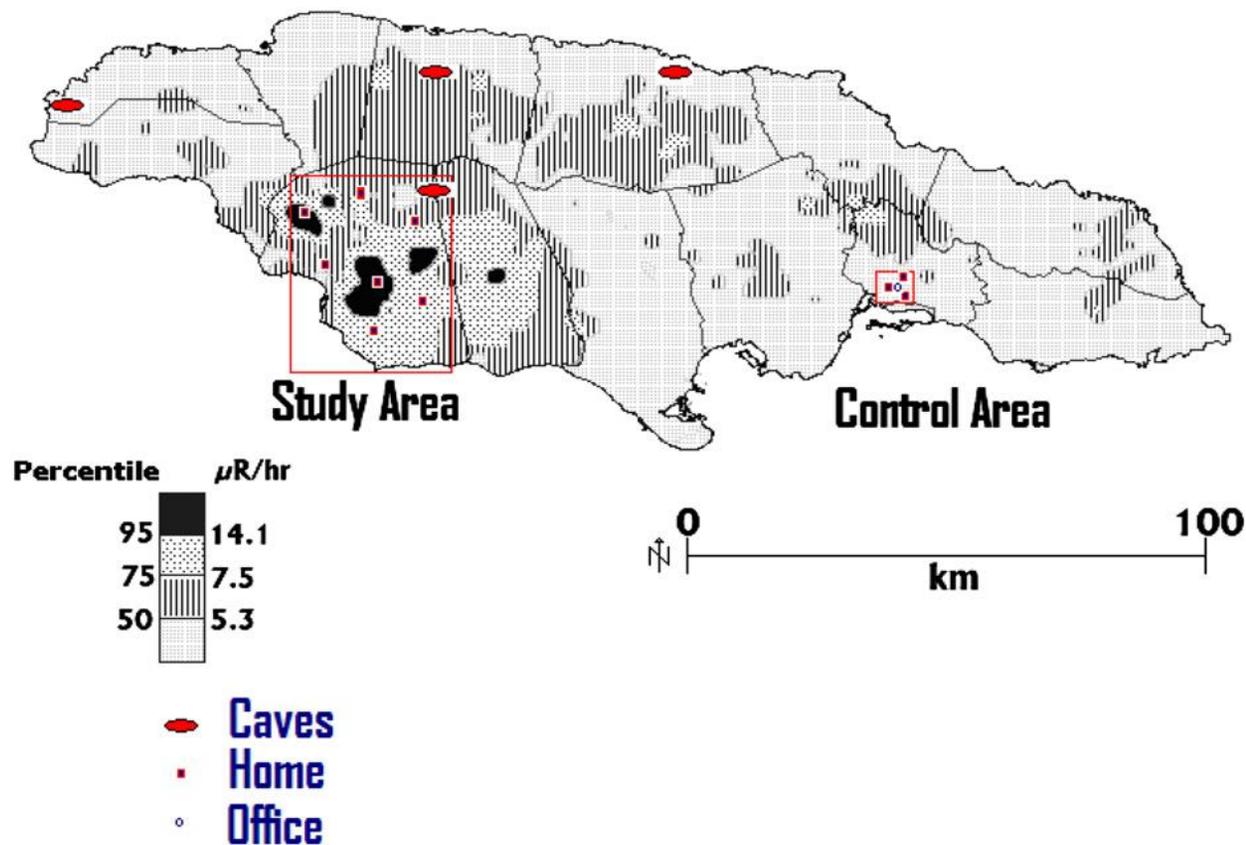
Exception: The radon vent pipe need not be accessible in an *attic* space where an *approved* roof-top electrical supply is provided for future use.

AF103.9 Vent pipe identification. Exposed and visible interior radon vent pipes shall be identified with not less than one *label* on each floor and in accessible *attics*. The *label* shall read: "Radon Reduction System."

AF103.10 Combination foundations. Combination *basement/crawl space* or *slab-on-grade/crawl space* foundations shall have separate radon vent pipes installed in each type of foundation area. Each radon vent pipe shall terminate above the roof or shall be connected to a single vent that terminates above the roof.

AF103.11 Building depressurization. Joints in air ducts and plenums in *unconditioned spaces* shall meet the requirements of Section M1601. Thermal envelope air infiltration requirements shall comply with the energy conservation provisions in Chapter 11. Fire-blocking shall meet the requirements contained in Section R302.11.

AF103.12 Power source. To provide for future installation of an active submembrane or sub-slab depressurization system, an electrical circuit terminated in an *approved* box shall be installed during construction in the *attic* or other anticipated location of vent pipe fans. An electrical supply shall be accessible in anticipated locations of system failure alarms.



- Radon gas emanates from the soils throughout Jamaica because of subsurface traces and small deposits of uranium and thorium as well as fault cracks in the tectonic plates comprising the land mass of Jamaica.
- The level of radon gas concentration has been determined throughout the island and the results showed that the highest concentrations are in the caves followed by the parish of St. Elizabeth where on site and laboratory comparative measurements studies have confirmed that the highest concentration of the gas exist on the alluvial soils and swamp lands of the plains as well as along fault cracks in the tectonic plate on the northern and southern mountainous sections of the parish. ICENS studies have shown that after the topsoil and bauxite are removed radon gas emission increases by 125%.
- The metric unit of concentration for radon gas is Bacquerel per cubic meter (Bq/m^3) while for the Inch Pound Unit it is pico-curies per Litre (pCi/L). The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) recommends that homes that measure 142 Bq/m^3 (4 pCi/L) and greater be mitigated i.e. have construction features that prevent the gas going into the building
- The above map shows the radon potential in Jamaica and thereby with Table AF 101(1) has provided a basis for *building officials* to decide whether radon- resistant features are applicable to new construction in their area.
- The map assigns each of the 14 Parishes in Jamaica to one of four zones based on radon emission potential. Each zone designation reflects the average short-term radon measurement that can be expected to be measured outside a building. Measurements within houses have only been made at the 7 identified sites (see black dots encircled in red on map above).
- The radon zone designation of highest priority is the one in solid black and where this zone exists and has or will be mined for bauxite buildings shall be designed to prevent radon intrusion.

**FIGURE AF101
MAP OF RADON
ZONES**

TABLE AF101(1)
HIGH RADON-POTENTIAL AREAS

The following are the areas in descending order of importance where residential structures need to use radon-resistant construction to avoid the negative health impacts of breathing in the radioactive radon gas:

- a. Within caves throughout Jamaica where measured radon concentration levels range from a low of 10 Bq/m³ (0.26 pCi/L) for the Xtabil Cave in Negril to a high of 2,592 Bq/m³ (68.21 pCi/L) for the Oxford Cave in St. Elizabeth.
- b. Directly on top of all caves island wide except Green Grotto in St. Ann and Xtabil Cave in Negril or within 150 m (500 feet) horizontally of such caves since the radon concentration status of all other caves is unknown and its better to err on the side of caution.
- c. The parish of St. Elizabeth where measurements made in an ICENS study showed radon concentration in homes ranging from a low of 24 Bq/m³ (0.63 pCi/L) to a high of 100 Bq/m³ (2.63 pCi/L). Bearing in mind that St Elizabeth is a bauxite mining parish and the ICENS study shows that after the topsoil is removed the radon concentration goes up by 125 % future house concentration may range from a low of 54 Bq/m³(1.42 pCi/L) to a high of 225 Bq/m³ (5.92 pCi/L) which is above the EPA recommended limit. The ICENS study attributes the wattle and daub construction to have the higher radon concentration but with the conventional block and steel construction having the same concentration as the wattle and daud construction in one sample of each house, the floor construction and ventilation more than likely accounts for the difference. Since the construction method can vastly affect the radon concentration in a house the need for radon-resistant construction is paramount for St Elizabeth.

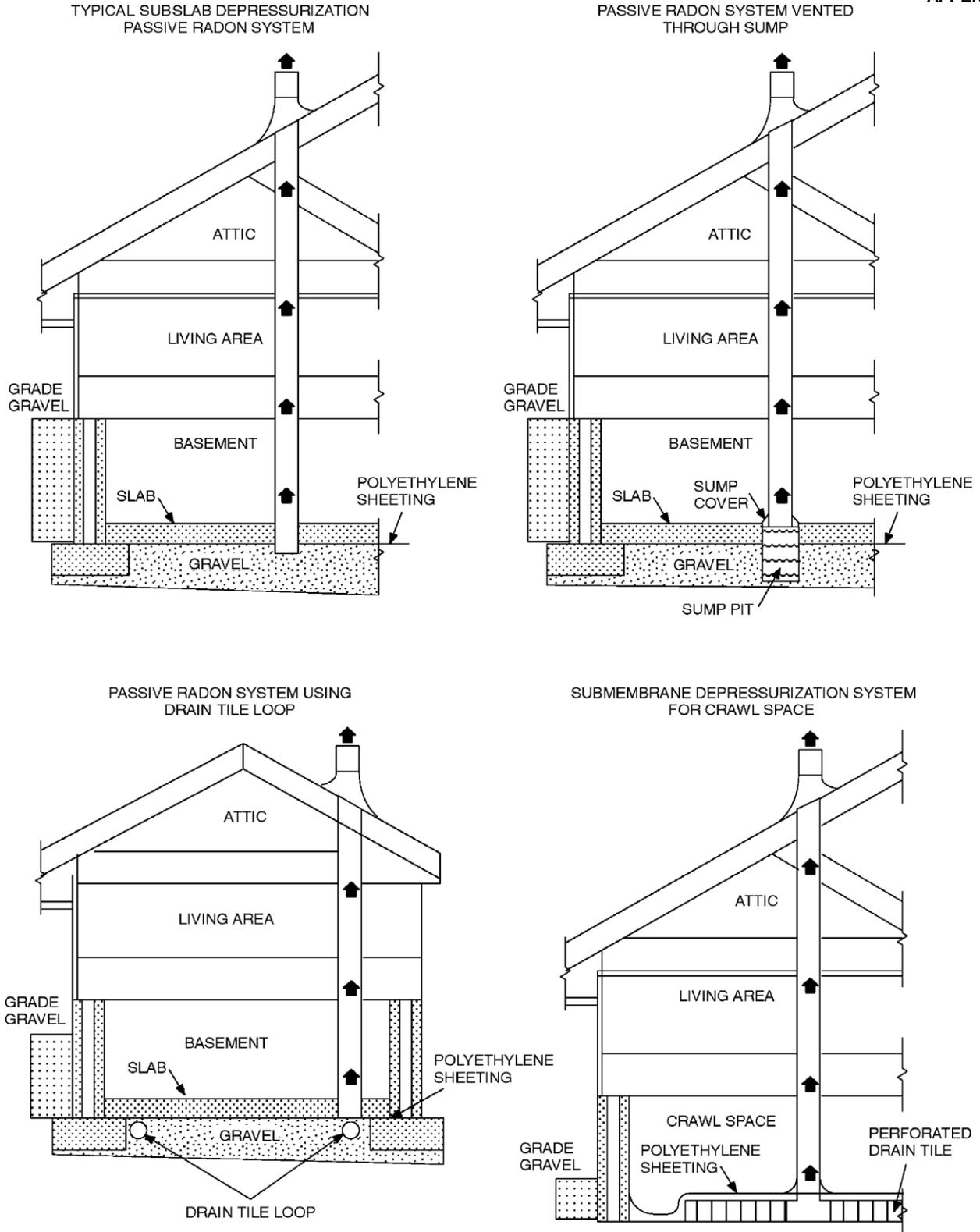


FIGURE AF103
RADON-RESISTANT CONSTRUCTION DETAILS FOR FOUR FOUNDATION TYPES

APPENDIX G

PIPING STANDARDS FOR VARIOUS APPLICATIONS

The provisions contained in this appendix are mandatory but only from the perspective that plastic pipes used in an area of construction shall comply with at least one of the listed standards

User note:

About this appendix: *Plastic piping is commonly used in the construction of buildings covered by this code. Appendix G provides a table of the most commonly-used standards for plastic piping in a variety of applications. Although some standards in this table are not referenced in the code, the majority of standards indicated are listed in the Referenced Standards chapter of this code.*

SECTION AG101 PLASTIC PIPING STANDARDS

AG101.1 Plastic piping. Table AG101.1 provides a list of plastic piping product standards for various applications.

**TABLE AG101.1
PLASTIC PIPING STANDARDS FOR VARIOUS APPLICATIONS^{a, b}**

APPLICATION	LOCATION	TYPE OF PLASTIC PIPING									
		ABS	CPVC	PE	PE-AL-PE	PE-RT	PEX	PEX-AL-PEX	PP	PVC	
Central vacuum	System piping	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	ASTM F2158
Foundation drainage	System piping	ASTM F628	—	ASTM F405	—	—	—	—	—	—	ASTM D2665 ASTM D2729 ASTM D3034
Geothermal ground loop	System piping	—	ASTM D2846 ASTM F441 ASTM F442 ASTM F2855 CSA B137.6	ASTM D2239 ASTM D2737 ASTM D3035	ASTM F1282	ASTM F2623 ASTM F2769	ASTM F876 CSA B137.5	ASTM F1281	ASTM F2389 CSA B137.11	—	ASTM D1785 ASTM D2241 CSA B137.3
	Loop piping	—	—	ASTM D2239 ASTM D2737 ASTM D3035 NSF 358-1	ASTM F1282	ASTM F2623 ASTM F2769	ASTM F876 CSA B137.5	—	ASTM F2389 CSA B137.11	—	—
Graywater	Nonpressure distribution/collection	ASTM F628	—	ASTM D2239 ASTM D2737 ASTM D3035 ASTM F2306	—	—	—	—	ASTM F2389 CSA B137.11	—	ASTM D1785 ASTM D2729 ASTM D2949 ASTM D3034 ASTM F891 ASTM F1760 CSA B137.3

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TABLE AG101.1—continued
 PLASTIC PIPING STANDARDS FOR VARIOUS APPLICATIONS^{a, b}

APPLICATION	LOCATION	TYPE OF PLASTIC PIPING									
		ABS	CPVC	PE	PE-AL-PE	PE-RT	PEX	PEX-AL-PEX	PP	PVC	
Graywater	Pressure/distribution	—	ASTM D2846 ASTM F441 ASTM F442 ASTM F2855 CSA B137.6	ASTM D2239 ASTM D2737 ASTM D3035	—	ASTM F1282	ASTM F2623 ASTM F2769	ASTM F876 CSA B137.5	ASTM F1281	ASTM F2389 CSA B137.11	ASTM D1785 ASTM D2241 CSA B137.3
Radiant cooling	Loop piping	—	ASTM D2846 ASTM F441 ASTM F442 ASTM F2855	ASTM D2239 ASTM D2737 ASTM D3035	—	ASTM F1282	ASTM F2623 ASTM F2769	ASTM F876 CSA B137.5	ASTM F1281	ASTM F2389 CSA B137.11	—
Radiant heating	Loop piping	—	ASTM D2846 ASTM F441 ASTM F442 ASTM F2855	—	—	ASTM F1282	ASTM F2623 ASTM F2769	ASTM F876 CSA B137.5	ASTM F1281	ASTM F2389 CSA B137.11	—
Rainwater harvesting	Nonpressure/collection	ASTM F628	—	ASTM F1901	—	—	—	—	—	ASTM F2389 CSA B137.11	ASTM D1785 ASTM D2729 ASTM D2949 ASTM F891 ASTM F1760 CSA B137.3
	Pressure/distribution	—	ASTM D2846 ASTM F441 ASTM F442 ASTM F2855 CSA B137.6	ASTM D2239 ASTM D2737 ASTM D3035	—	ASTM F1282	ASTM F2623 ASTM F2769	ASTM F876 CSA B137.5	ASTM F1281	ASTM F2389 CSA B137.11	ASTM D1785 ASTM D2241 CSA B137.3

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**TABLE AG101.1—continued
PLASTIC PIPING STANDARDS FOR VARIOUS APPLICATIONS^{a, b}**

APPLICATION	LOCATION	TYPE OF PLASTIC PIPING									
		ABS	CPVC	PE	PE-AL-PE	PE-RT	PEX	PEX-AL-PEX	PP	PVC	
Radon venting	System piping	ASTM F628	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	ASTM D1785 ASTM F891 ASTM F1760
Reclaimed water	Main to building service	—	ASTM D2846 ASTM F441 ASTM F442 ASTM F2855 CSA B137.6	ASTM D3035 AWWA C901 CSA B137.1	ASTM F1282	ASTM F2623 ASTM F2769	ASTM F876 AWWA C904 CSA B137.5	—	ASTM F2389 CSA B137.11	ASTM D1785 ASTM D2241 AWWA C905 CSA B137.3	
	Pressure/distribution/irrigation	—	ASTM D2846 ASTM F441 ASTM F442 ASTM F2855 CSA B137.6	ASTM D2239 ASTM D2737 ASTM D3035	ASTM F1282	ASTM F2623 ASTM F2769	ASTM F876 CSA B137.5	ASTM F1281	ASTM F2389 AWWA C900 CSA B137.11	ASTM D1785 ASTM D2241 AWWA C900	
Residential fire sprinklers ^c	Sprinkler piping	—	ASTM F441 ASTM F442 CSA B137.6 UL 1821	—	—	ASTM F2769	ASTM F876 CSA B137.5 UL 1821	—	ASTM F2389 CSA B137.11	—	
Solar heating	Pressure/distribution	—	ASTM D2846 ASTM F441 ASTM F442 ASTM F2855	—	—	ASTM F2623 ASTM F2769	ASTM F876 CSA B137.5	ASTM F1281	ASTM F2389 CSA B137.11	—	

1. This table indicates manufacturing standards for plastic piping materials that are suitable for use in the applications indicated. Such applications support green and sustainable building practices. The system designer or the installer of piping shall verify that the piping chosen for an application complies with local codes and the recommendations of the manufacturer of the piping.
2. Fittings applicable for the piping shall be as recommended by the manufacturer of the piping.
3. Piping systems for fire sprinkler applications shall be listed for the application.

**SECTION AG102
REFERENCED STANDARDS**

ASTM D1785—15	Specification for Poly (Vinyl Chloride) (PVC) Plastic Pipe, Schedules 40, 80 and 120	Table AG101.1	ASTM F442—13E1	Specification for Chlorinated Poly (Vinyl Chloride) (CPVC) Plastic Pipe (SDR-PR)	Table AG101.1
ASTM D2239—12A	Specification for Polyethylene (PE) Plastic Pipe (SIDR-PR) Based on Controlled Inside Diameter	Table AG101.1	ASTM F628—12E1	Specification for Acrylonitrile-butadiene-styrene (ABS) Schedule 40 Plastic Drain, Waste and Vent Pipe with a Cellular Core	Table AG101.1
ASTM D2241—15	Specification for Poly (Vinyl Chloride) (PVC) Pressure-rated Pipe (SDR-Series)	Table AG101.1	ASTM F876—15A	Specification for Cross-linked Polyethylene (PEX) Tubing	Table AG101.1
ASTM D2665—14	Specification for Poly (Vinyl Chloride) (PVC) Plastic Drain, Waste and Vent Pipe and Fittings	Table AG101.1	ASTM F891—10	Specification for Coextruded Poly (Vinyl Chloride) (PVC) Plastic Pipe with a Cellular Core	Table AG101.1
ASTM D2729—11	Specification for Poly (Vinyl Chloride) (PVC) Sewer Pipe and Fittings	Table AG101.1	ASTM F1281—11	Specification for Cross-linked Polyethylene/Aluminum/Cross-linked Polyethylene (PEX-AL-PEX) Pressure Pipe	Table AG101.1
ASTM D2737—2012A	Specification for Polyethylene (PE) Plastic Tubing	Table AG101.1	ASTM F1282—10	Specification for Polyethylene/Aluminum/Polyethylene (PE-AL-PE) Composite Pressure Pipe	Table AG101.1
ASTM D2846—14	Specification for Chlorinated Poly (Vinyl Chloride) (CPVC) Plastic Hot- and Cold-water Distribution Systems	Table AG101.1	ASTM F1760—01 (2011)	Standard Specification for Coextruded Poly (Vinyl Chloride) (PVC) Non-Pressure Plastic Pipe Having Reprocessed-Recycled Content	Table AG101.1
ASTM D2949—10	Specification for 3.25-in. Outside Diameter Poly (Vinyl Chloride) (PVC) Plastic Drain, Waste and Vent Pipe and Fittings	Table AG101.1	ASTM F1901—10	Standard Specification for Polyethylene (PE) Pipe and Fittings for Roof Drain Systems	Table AG101.1
ASTM D3034—14a	Specification for Type PSM Poly (Vinyl Chloride) (PVC) Sewer Pipe and Fittings	Table AG101.1	ASTM F2158—08 (2016)	Standard for Residential Central-vacuum Tube and Fittings	Table AG101.1
ASTM D3035—15	Specification for Polyethylene (PE) Plastic Pipe (DR-PR) Based On Controlled Outside Diameter	Table AG101.1	ASTM F2306/ F2306M—14E1	12" to 60" Annular Corrugated Profile-wall Polyethylene (PE) Pipe and Fittings for Gravity Flow Storm Sewer and Sub-surface Drainage Applications	Table AG101.1
ASTM F405—05	Specification for Corrugated Polyethylene (PE) Pipe and Fittings	Table AG101.1	ASTM F2389—15	Standard for Pressure-rated Polypropylene (PP) Piping Systems	Table AG101.1
ASTM F441—15	Specification for Chlorinated Poly (Vinyl Chloride) (CPVC) Plastic Pipe, Schedules 40 and 80	Table AG101.1	ASTM F2623—14	Standard Specification for Polyethylene of Raised Temperature (PE-RT) SDRG Tubing	Table AG101.1

ASTM F2769—14	Polyethylene or Raised Temperature (PE-RT) Plastic Hot and Cold-Water Tubing and Distribution Systems	Table AG101.1	UL 1821—2011	Standard for Thermoplastic Sprinkler Pipe and Fittings for Fire Protection Service with revisions through August 2015	Table AG101.1
ASTM F2855—12	Standard Specification for Chlorinated Poly (Vinyl Chloride)/ Aluminum/Chlorinated Poly (Vinyl Chloride) (CPVC AL CPVC) Composite Pressure Tubing	Table AG101.1			
AWWA 900—07	Polyvinyl chloride (PVC) Pressure Pipe and Fabricated Fittings, 4 in. through 12 in. (350 mm through 1200 mm), for Water Transmission and Distribution	Table AG101.1			
AWWA C901—16	Polyethylene (PE) Pressure Pipe and Tubing 1/2 in. (13 mm) through 3 in. (76 mm) for Water Service	Table AG101.1			
AWWA C904—16	Cross-linked Polyethylene (PEX) Pressure Tubing, 1/2 in. (13 mm) through 3 in. (76 mm) for Water Service	Table AG101.1			
AWWA 905—10	Polyvinyl chloride (PVC) Pressure Pipe and Fabricated Fittings, 14 in. through 48 in. (100 mm through 300 mm)	Table AG101.1			
CSA B137.1—16	Polyethylene (PE) Pipe, Tubing and Fittings for Cold Water Pressure Services	Table AG101.1			
CSA B137.3—16	Rigid Poly (Vinyl Chloride) (PVC) Pipe for Pressure Applications	Table AG101.1			
CSA B137.5—16	Cross-linked Polyethylene (PEX) Tubing Systems for Pressure Applications	Table AG101.1			
CSA B137.6—16	Chlorinated polyvinylchloride CPVC Pipe, Tubing and Fittings for Hot- and Cold-water Distribution Systems	Table AG101.1			
CSA B137.11—16	Polypropylene (PP-R) Pipe and Fittings for Pressure Applications	Table AG101.1			
NSF 358-1—2014	Polyethylene Pipe and Fittings for Water-based Ground Source “Geothermal” Heat Pump Systems	Table AG101.1			

APPENDIX H

PATIO COVERS

The provisions contained in this appendix are mandatory and thereby constitutes part of the code which is enforceable under the Building Act.

User note:

About this appendix: Appendix H relaxes certain provisions contained in the body of the code as related to patio covers, including those regarding: permitted uses; exterior wall insect screens; glazing and translucent or transparent plastic; light, ventilation and emergency egress; height; structural design loads; and footings. This appendix also includes provisions that are specifically applicable to hurricane-prone regions.

SECTION AH101 GENERAL

AH101.1 Scope. Patio covers shall conform to the requirements of Sections AH101 through AH106.

AH101.2 Permitted uses. Patio covers detached from or attached to *dwelling units* shall be used only for recreational, outdoor living purposes, and not as carports, garages, storage rooms or habitable rooms.

SECTION AH102 DEFINITION

AH102.1 General. The following word and term shall, for the purposes of this appendix, have the meaning shown herein.

PATIO COVER. A structure with open or glazed walls that is used for recreational, outdoor living purposes associated with a dwelling unit.

SECTION AH103 EXTERIOR WALLS AND OPENINGS

AH 103.1 Enclosure walls. Enclosure walls shall be permitted to be of any configuration, provided that the open or glazed area of the longer wall and one additional wall is not less than 65 percent of the area below 2,032 mm (6 feet, 8 inches) of each wall, measured from the floor. Openings shall be enclosed with any of the following:

- Insect screening.
- Approved translucent or transparent plastic not more than 3.2 mm (0.125 inch) in thickness.
- Glass conforming to the provisions of Section R308.
- Any combination of the foregoing.

AH103.2 Light, ventilation and emergency egress. Exterior openings required for light and ventilation into a patio structure conforming to Section AH101 shall be unenclosed where such openings serve as emergency egress or rescue openings from sleeping rooms. Where such exterior openings serve as an exit from the *dwelling unit*, the patio structure, unless unenclosed, shall be provided with exits conforming to the provisions of Section R311 of this code.

SECTION AH104 HEIGHT

AH104.1 Height. Patio covers are limited to one-story structures not exceeding 3,660 mm (12 feet) in height.

SECTION AH105 STRUCTURAL PROVISIONS

AH105.1 Design loads. Patio covers shall be designed and constructed to sustain, within the stress limits of this code, all dead loads plus a vertical live load of not less than 0.48 kN/m² (10 pounds per square foot). Such covers shall be designed to resist the minimum wind loads set forth in Section R301.2.1.

AH105.2 Footings. In areas with a frostline depth of zero as specified in Table R301.2(1), for patio covers supported on a slab-on-grade without footings, the slab shall conform to the provisions of Section R506, shall be not less than 89 mm (3.5 inches) thick and the columns shall not support live and dead loads in excess of 3.34 kN (750 pounds) per column.

SECTION AH106 SPECIAL PROVISIONS FOR ALUMINUM SCREEN ENCLOSURES IN HURRICANE-PRONE REGIONS

AH106.1 General. Screen enclosures in *hurricane-prone regions* shall be in accordance with the provisions of this section.

AH106.1.1 Habitable spaces. Screen enclosures shall not be considered *habitable spaces*.

AH106.1.2 Minimum ceiling height. Screen enclosures shall have a ceiling height of not less than 2,150 mm (7 feet).

AH106.2 Definition. The following word and term shall, for the purposes of this appendix, have the meaning shown herein.

SCREEN ENCLOSURE. A building or part thereof, in whole or in part self-supporting, and having walls of insect screening, and a roof of insect screening, plastic, aluminum or similar lightweight material.

AH106.3 Screen enclosures. Screen enclosures shall comply with Sections AH106.3.1 and AH106.3.2.

AH106.3.1 Thickness. Actual wall thickness of extruded aluminum members shall be not less than 1.02 mm (0.040 inch).

AH106.3.2 Density. Screen density shall be not more than 20 threads per 25 mm (inch) by 20 threads per 25 mm (inch) mesh.

AH106.4 Design. The structural design of screen enclosures shall comply with Sections AH106.4.1 through AH106.4.3.

AH106.4.1 Wind load. Structural members supporting screen enclosures shall be designed to support the minimum wind loads given in Tables AH106.4(1) and AH106.4(2) for the ultimate design wind speed, V_{ult} , determined from Figure AH106.4.1. Where any value is less than 0.479 kN/m^2 [10 pounds per square foot (psf)] use 0.479 kN/m^2 [10 pounds per square foot].

AH106.4.2 Deflection limit. For members supporting screen surfaces only, the total load deflection shall not exceed $l/60$. Screen surfaces shall be permitted to include not more than 25-percent solid flexible finishes.

AH106.4.3 Roof live load. The roof live load shall be not less than 0.479 kN/m^2 (10 psf).

AH106.5 Footings. In areas with a frost line depth of zero, screen enclosures supported on a concrete slab-on-grade without footings shall conform to the provisions of Section R506, be not less than $3\frac{1}{2}$ inches (89 mm) thick and the columns shall not support loads in excess of 750 pounds (3.36 kN) per column.

**TABLE AH106.4(2)
ADJUSTMENT FACTOR FOR
BUILDING HEIGHT AND EXPOSURE**

MEAN ROOF HEIGHT (mm)	EXPOSURE		
	B	C	D
4,575	1.00	1.21	1.47
6,100	1.00	1.29	1.55
7,625	1.00	1.35	1.61
9,150	1.00	1.40	1.66
10,675	1.05	1.45	1.70
12,200	1.09	1.49	1.74
13,725	1.12	1.53	1.78
15,250	1.16	1.56	1.81
17,000	1.19	1.59	1.84
18,300	1.22	1.62	1.87

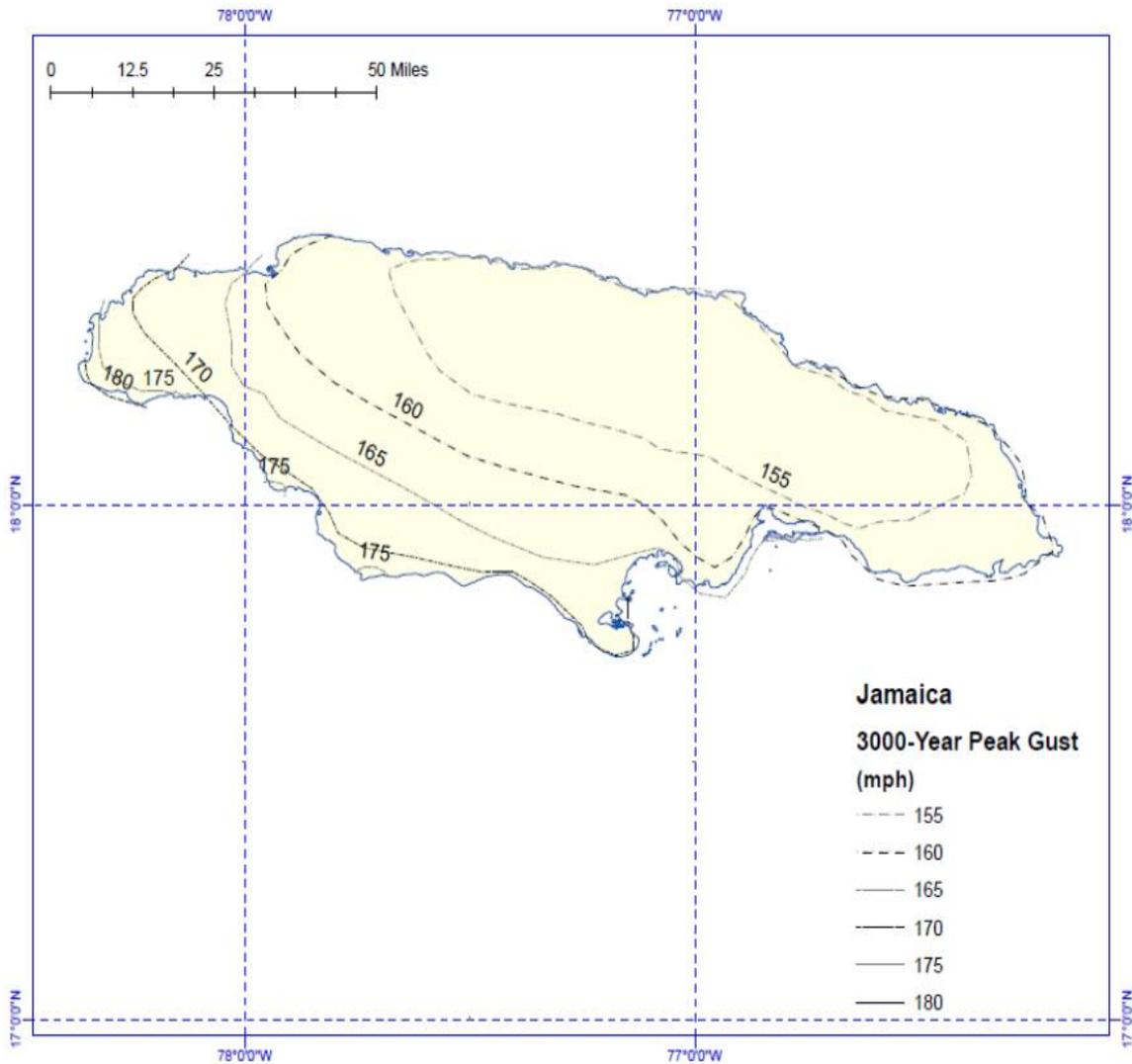
For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.00328 foot.

**TABLE AH106.4(1)
DESIGN WIND PRESSURES FOR SCREEN ENCLOSURE FRAMING^{a, b, e, f, g, h}**

LOAD CASE	WALL	ULTIMATE DESIGN WIND SPEED, V_{ult} (m/s)									
		44	46.2	48.4	52.8	57.2	61.6	66	70.4	74.8	79.2
		Exposure Category B Design Pressure (kPa)									
A ^c	Windward and leeward walls (flow thru) and windward wall (nonflow thru) $L/W = 0-1$	0.287	0.335	0.383	0.431	0.527	0.623	0.671	0.766	0.862	1.006
A ^c	Windward and leeward walls (flow thru) and windward wall (nonflow thru) $L/W = 2$	0.335	0.383	0.431	0.527	0.575	0.671	0.766	0.910	1.006	1.150
B ^d	Windward: Nongable roof	0.431	0.479	0.527	0.623	0.719	0.862	1.006	1.102	1.245	1.437
B ^d	Windward: Gable roof	0.52	0.623	0.671	0.766	0.910	1.054	1.245	1.389	1.581	1.772
	ROOF										
All ^e	Roof-screen	0.096	0.144	0.144	0.144	0.192	0.192	0.240	0.287	0.335	0.335
All ^e	Roof-solid	0.335	0.383	0.383	0.479	0.575	0.623	0.719	0.862	0.958	1.054

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 m/s = 2.273 mile per hour, 1 kPa = 20.877 pound per square foot, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot.

- Design pressure shall be not less than 0.479 kPa (10 psf) in accordance with Section AH106.4.1.
- Loads are applicable to screen enclosures with a mean roof height of 9,150 mm (30 feet) or less in Exposure B. For screen enclosures of different heights or exposure, the pressures given shall be adjusted by multiplying the table pressure by the adjustment factor given in Table AH106.4(2).
- For Load Case A flow thru condition, the pressure given shall be applied simultaneously to both the upwind and downwind screen walls acting in the same direction as the wind. The structure shall be analyzed for wind coming from the opposite direction. For the nonflow thru condition, the screen enclosure wall shall be analyzed for the load applied acting toward the interior of the enclosure.
- For Load Case B, the table pressure multiplied by the projected frontal area of the screen enclosure is the total drag force, including drag on screen surfaces parallel to the wind, that shall be transmitted to the ground. Use Load Case A for members directly supporting the screen surface perpendicular to the wind. Load Case B loads shall be applied only to structural members that carry wind loads from more than one surface.
- The roof structure shall be analyzed for the pressure given occurring both upward and downward.
- Table pressures are MWFRS loads. The design of solid roof panels and their attachments shall be based on component and cladding loads for enclosed or partially enclosed structures as appropriate.
- Table pressures apply to 510 mm by 510 mm by 0.33 mm (20-inch by 20-inch by 0.013-inch) mesh screen. For 455 mm by 355 mm by 0.33 mm (18-inch by 14-inch by 0.013-inch) mesh screen, pressures on screen surfaces shall be permitted to be multiplied by 0.88. For screen densities greater than 455 mm by 455 mm by 0.33 mm (20 inches by 20 inches by 0.013 inch), pressures for enclosed buildings shall be used.
- Linear interpolation shall be permitted.



WIND SPEED CONVERSION TABLE

130 mph = 58.11 m/s
135 mph = 60.35 m/s
140 mph = 62.58 m/s
145 mph = 64.82 m/s
150 mph = 67.00 m/s
155 mph = 69.25 m/s
160 mph = 71.50 m/s
165 mph = 73.75 m/s
170 mph = 76.00 m/s
175 mph = 78.23 m/s
180 mph = 80.46 m/s

Notes

1. Values are nominal design 3-second gust wind speeds in miles per hour (m/s) at 33 feet (10 m) above ground for Exposure C category.
2. Linear interpolation is permitted between contours. Point values are provided to aid with interpolation.
3. Islands, coastal areas, and land boundaries outside the last contour shall use the last wind speed contour.
4. Mountainous terrain, gorges, ocean promontories, and special wind regions shall be examined for unusual wind conditions.
5. Wind speeds correspond to approximately a 1.6% probability of exceedance in 50 years (Annual Exceedance Probability = 0.00033, RI = 3,000 Years).

**FIGURE AH106.4.1
ULTIMATE DESIGN WIND SPEEDS FOR PATIO COVERS AND SCREEN ENCLOSURES**

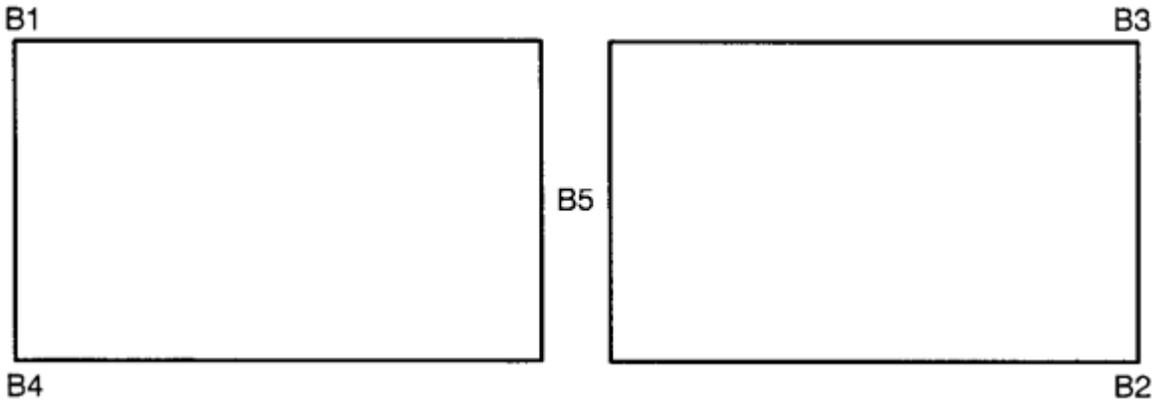
APPENDIX I-1
**PRIVATE SEWAGE
DISPOSAL SYSTEM
LAYOUT ILLUSTRATIONS**

The provisions contained in this appendix are mandatory in so far as layout and minimum specifications (size and constituent elements) are concerned.

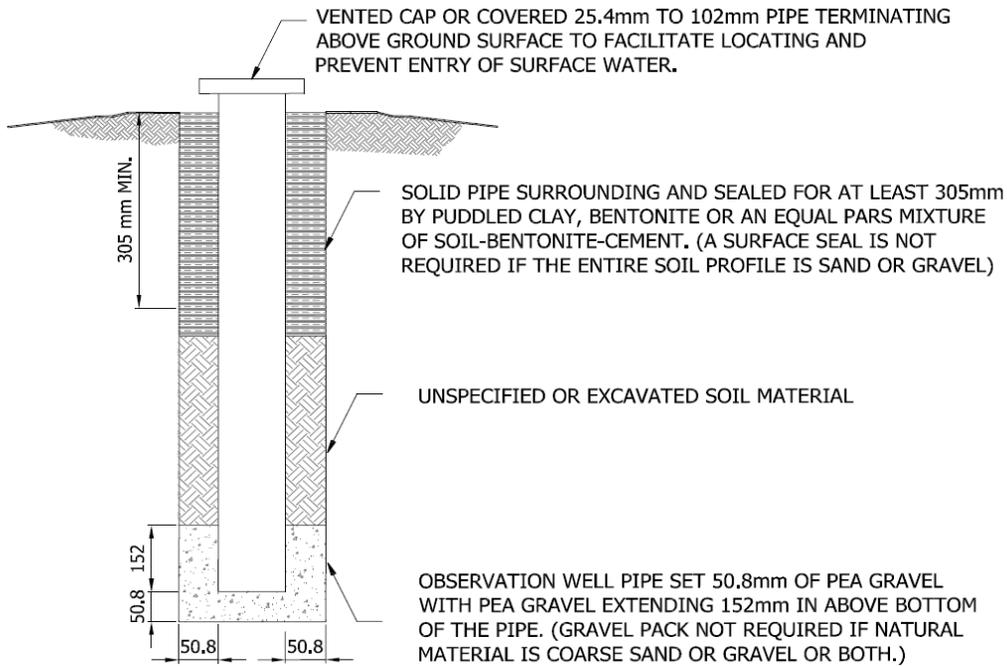
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About this appendix: Appendix I-1 provides illustrations for many sewage disposal system layouts

covered in Chapter 27A.

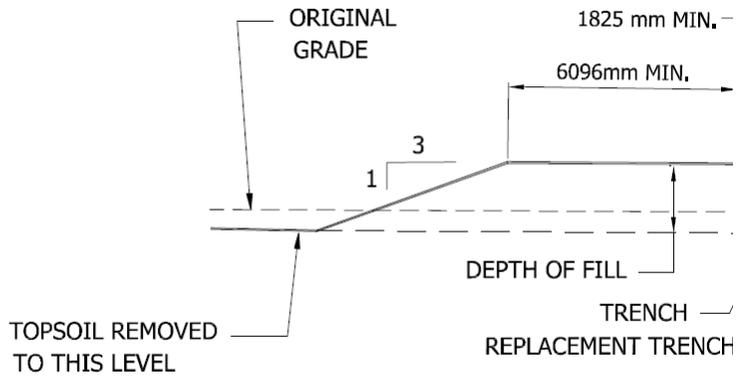


**FIGURE I-1-1 (SECTION 27A403.1.1)
EXAMPLE OF SOIL-BORING LOCATIONS FOR
TWO CONTIGUOUS ABSORPTION AREAS**



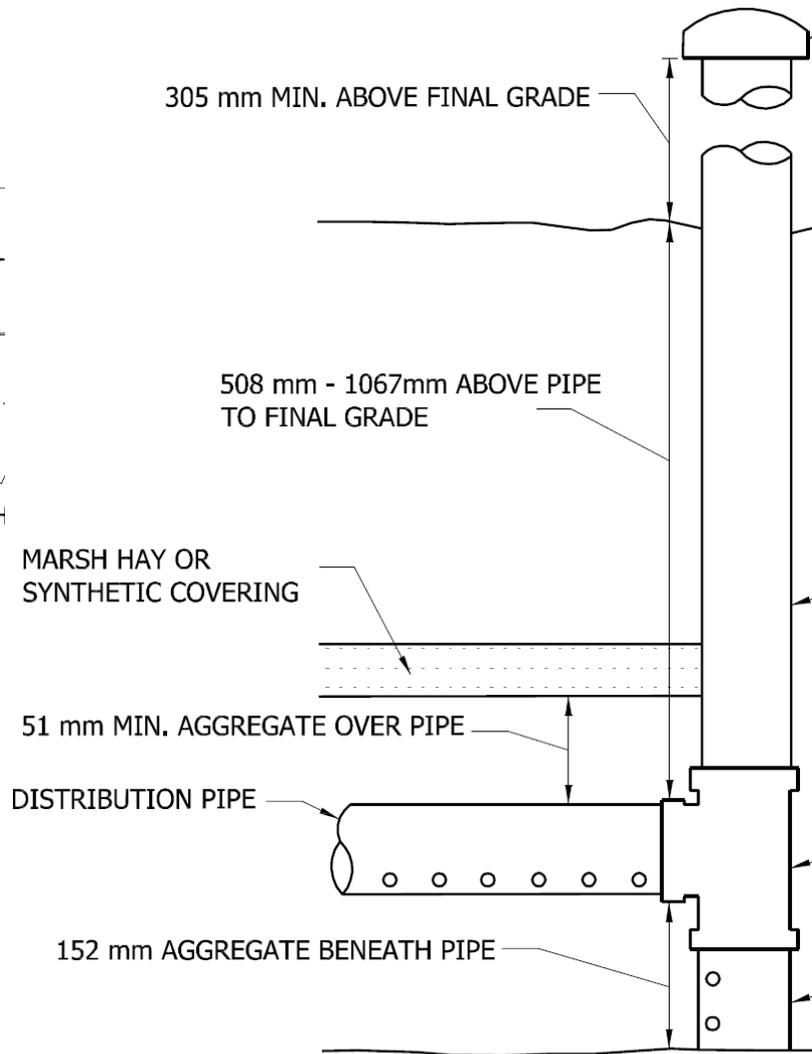
Note: Bore hole shall be 100 mm to 205 mm (4 inches to 8 inches) larger than the outside diameter of observation well pipe size. For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot.

**FIGURE I-1-2 (SECTION 27A405.2.4)
MONITORING WELL DESIGN**



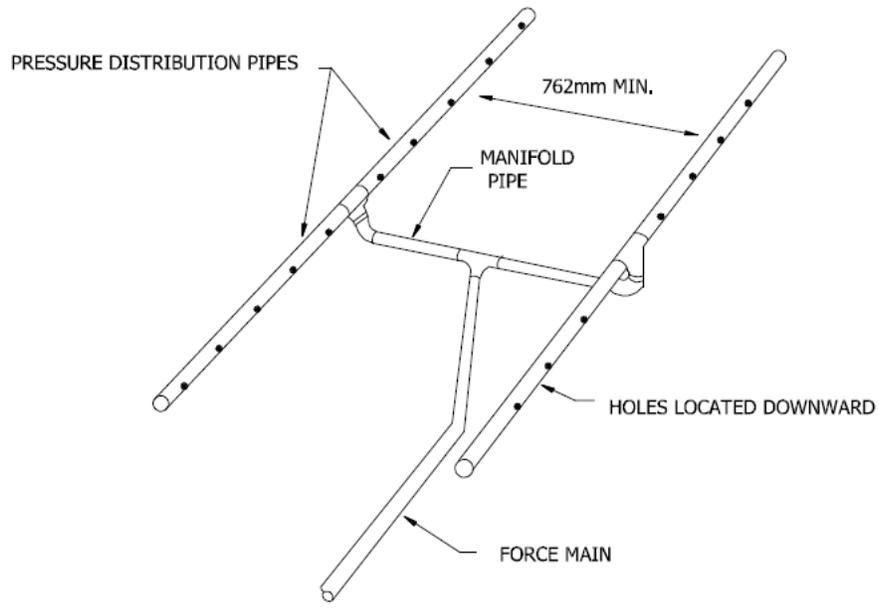
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**FIGURE I-1-3 (SECTION 27A406.6.7)
DESIGN OF FILLED AREA SYSTEM**



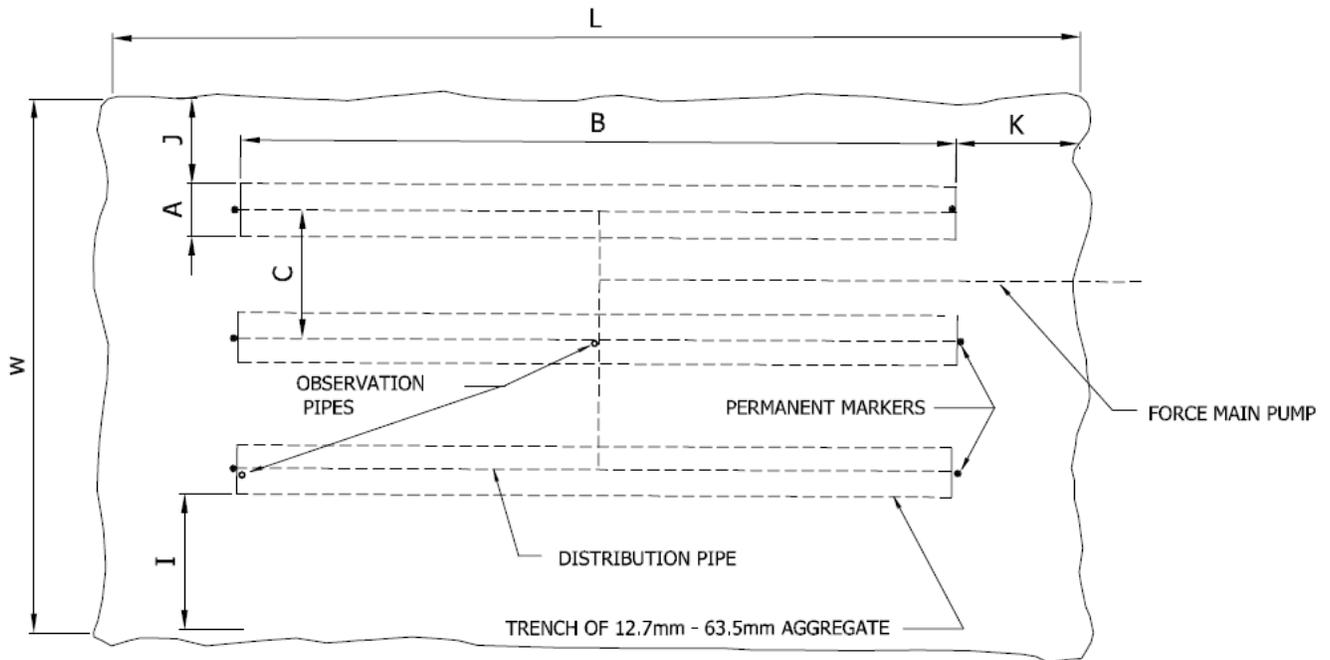
For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch.

**FIGURE I-1-4 (SECTION 27A605.7)
OBSERVATION PIPE**



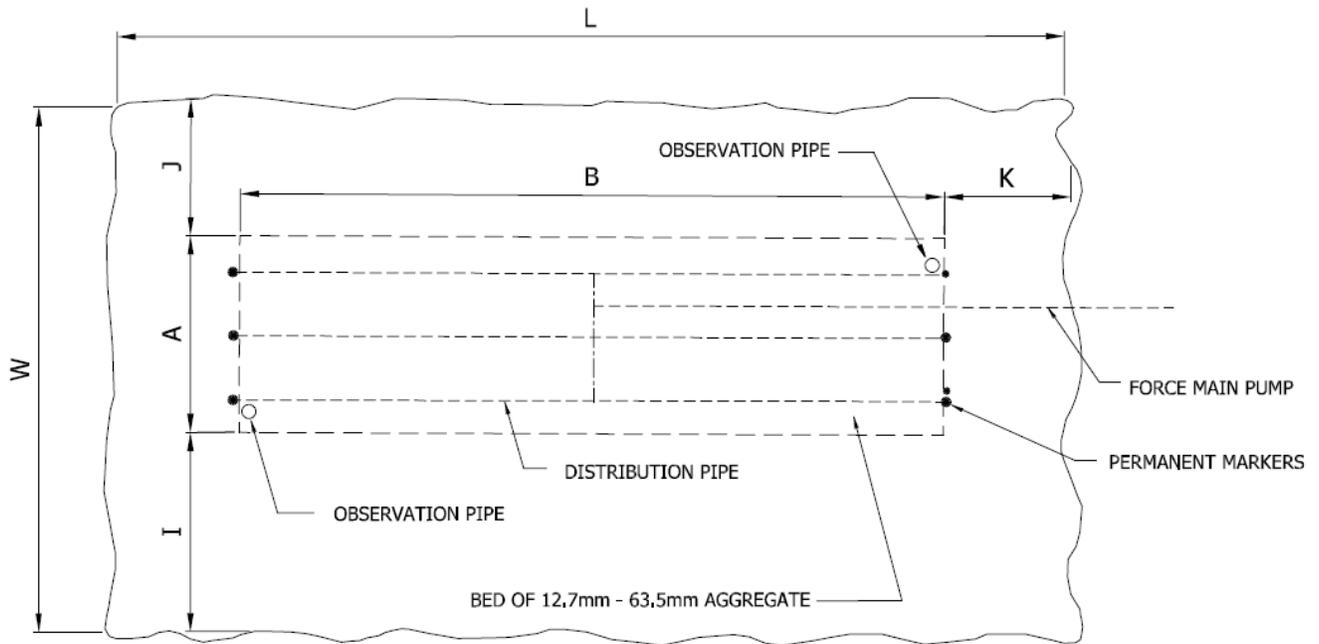
For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot.

**FIGURE I-1-5 (SECTION 27A703.1)
PRESSURE DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM DESIGN**



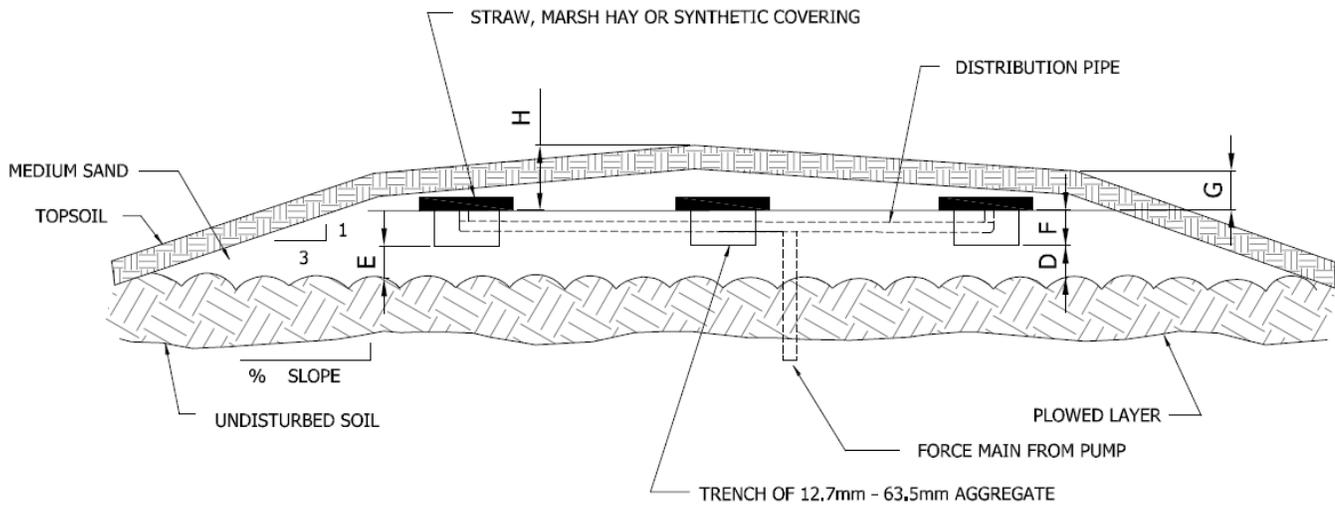
For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch.

**FIGURE I-1-6 (SECTION 27A903.1)
MOUND USING THREE TRENCHES FOR
ABSORPTION AREA**



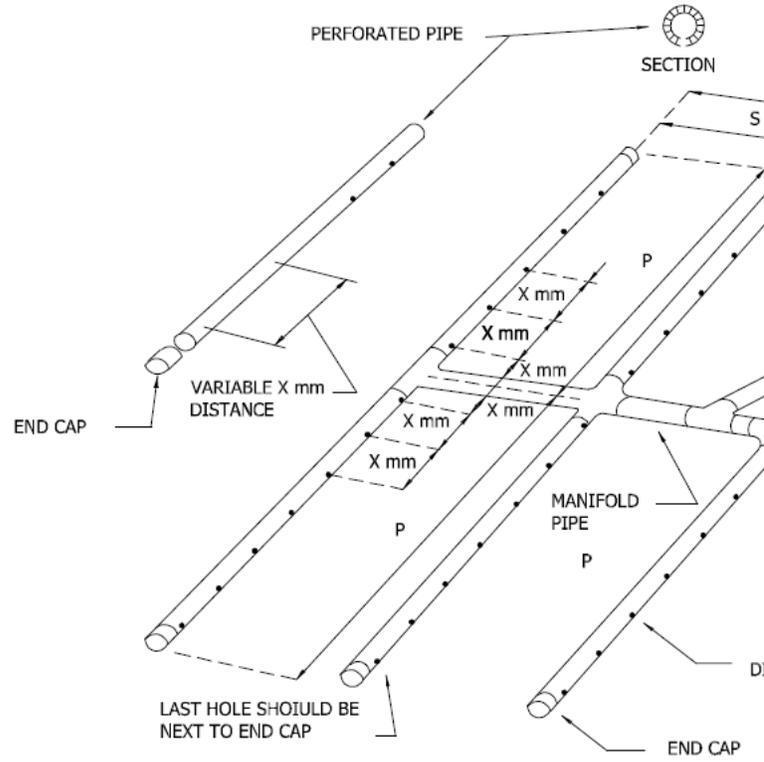
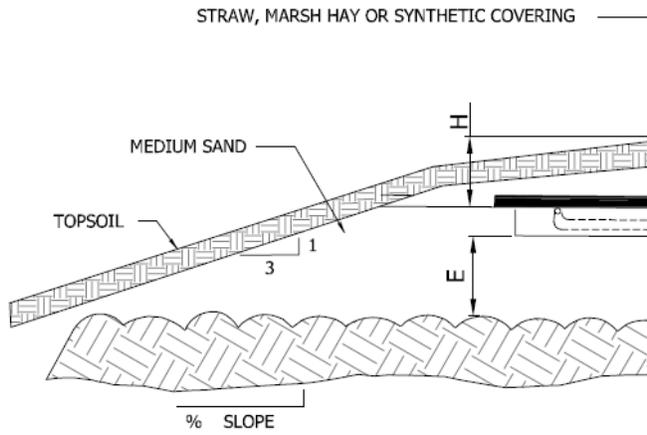
For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch.

**FIGURE I-1-7 (SECTION 27A903.1)
PLAN VIEW OF MOUND USING A BED FOR THE
ABSORPTION AREA**



For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch.

**FIGURE I-1-8 (SECTION 27A903.1)
CROSS SECTION OF A MOUND SYSTEM USING
THREE TRENCHES FOR THE ABSORPTION
AREA**



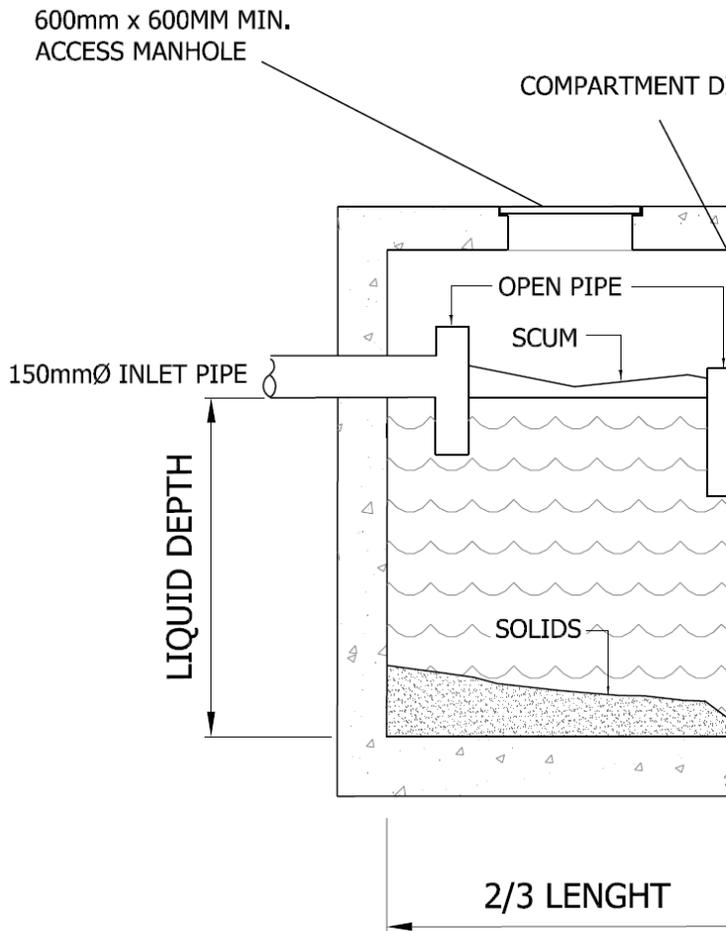
BED OF 12.7mm - 63.5mm AGGREGATE

Note: Holes located on bottom are equally spaced.
For IPU: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch.

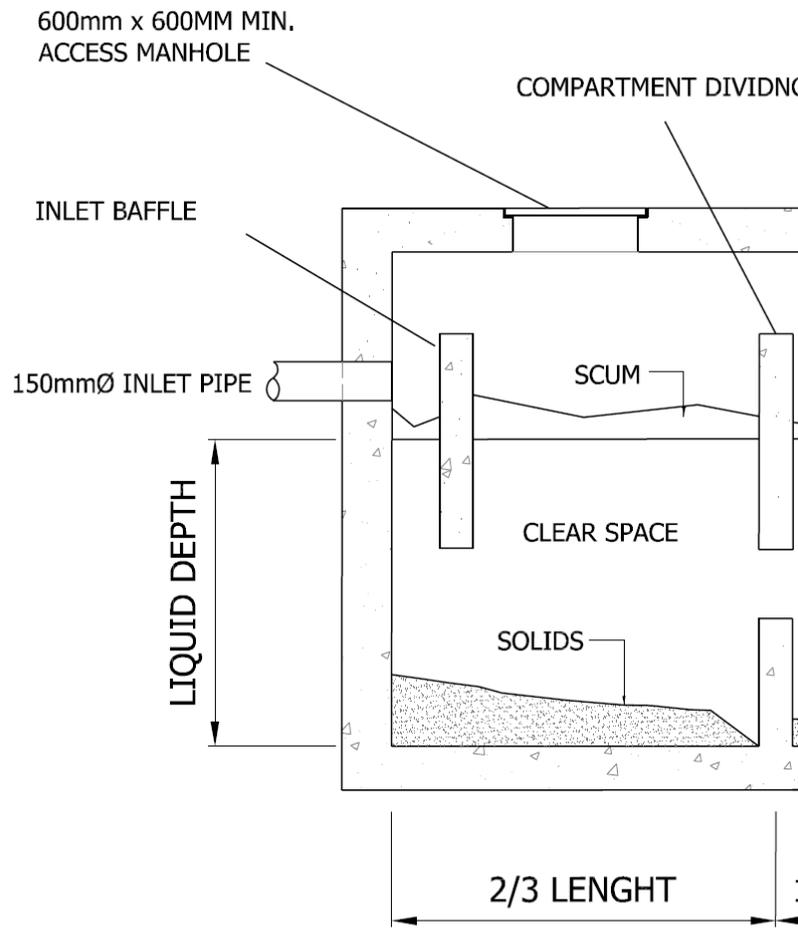
For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch.

**FIGURE I-1-10 (SECTION 27A903.1)
DISTRIBUTION PIPE LAYOUT**

**FIGURE I-1-9 (SECTION 27A903.1)
CROSS SECTION OF A MOUND SYSTEM USING
A BED FOR THE ABSORPTION AREA**



NOTE
INTEL AND OUTLET PIPE DIMENSIONS OR
OUTSIDE DIAMETERS



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OUTSIDE DIAMETERS

FIGURE I - 1 - 11
TYPICAL SEPTIC TANKS LAYOUT (Section
27A1301.4)

VENTILATED IMPROVED PIT (VIP) LATRINE (Section 27A1301.5)

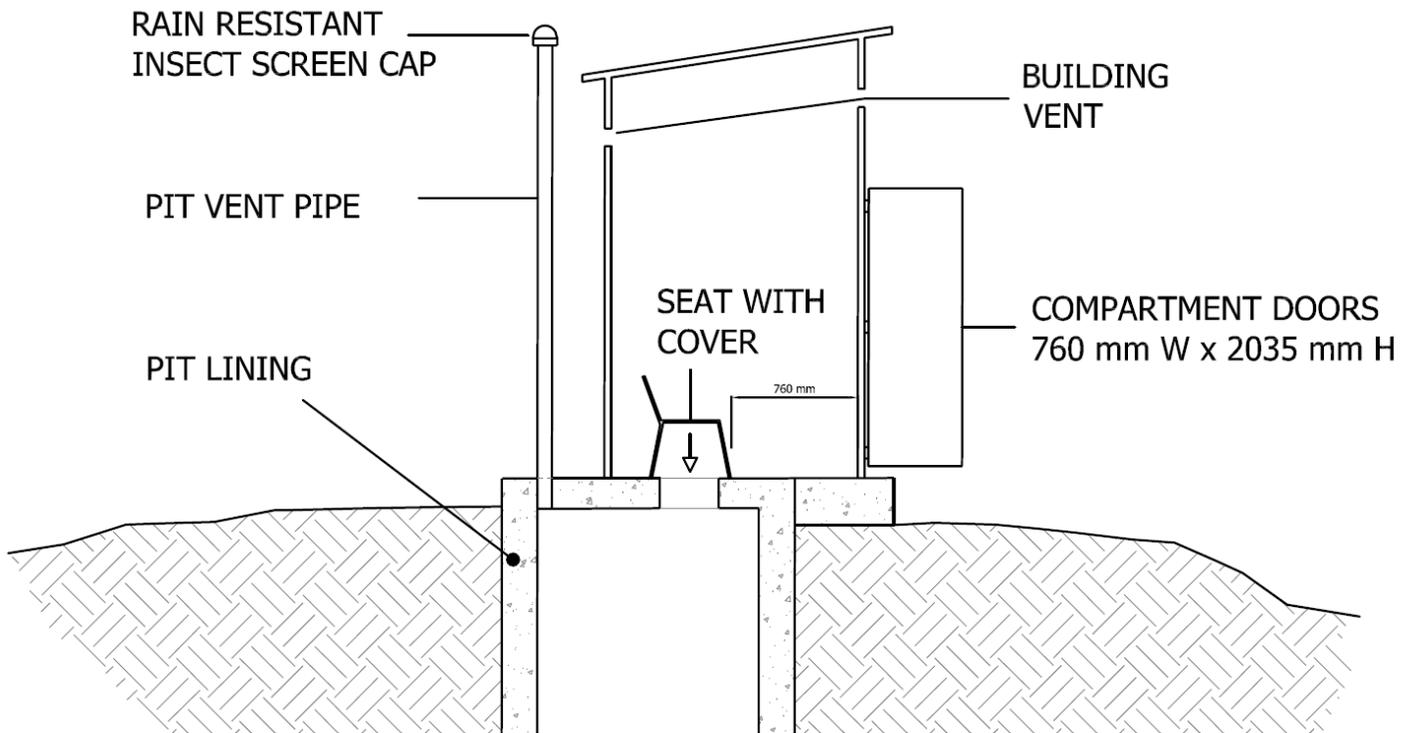
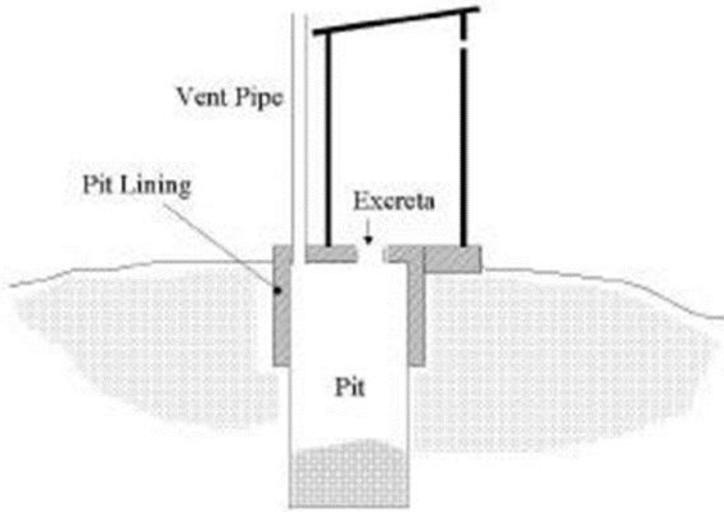


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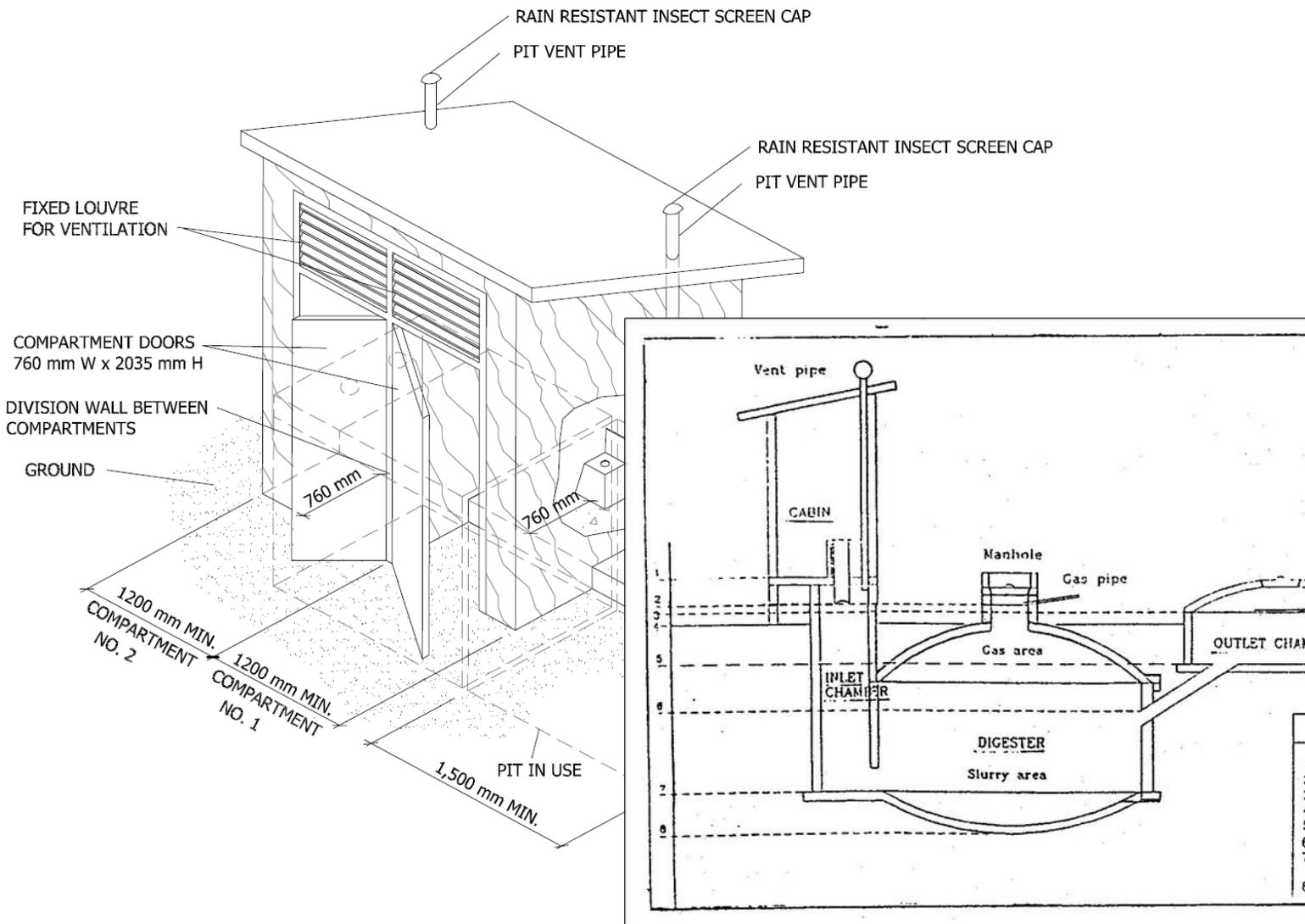


FIGURE I - 1 - 13

**VENTILATED IMPROVED DOUBLE PIT (VIDP)
RECYCLEABLE LATRINE
(Section 1301.6)**

FIGURE I - 1 - 14

SANITARY BIO-LATRINE (Section 1301.6)

APPENDIX I-2 TABLES FOR PRESSURE DISTRIBUTION SYSTEMS

The provisions contained in this appendix are mandatory whenever pressurized distribution mound systems are used to dispose of sewage water after solids have been removed.

User note:

***About this appendix:** Appendix I-2 provides design nomographs and tables for the design of pressure distribution mound systems.*

**TABLE I-2-1
REQUIRED DISTRIBUTION PIPE DIAMETERS
FOR VARIOUS HOLE DIAMETERS,
HOLE SPACINGS AND DISTRIBUTION PIPE
LENGTHS (SCHEDULE 40 PLASTIC PIPE)**

DISTRIBUTION PIPE INTERNAL DIAMETER (mm)																												
Hole diameter (mm) 6.5					Hole diameter (mm) 8					Hole diameter (mm) 9.5					Hole diameter (mm) 11					Hole diameter (mm) 12.5								
Pipe length (mm)					Hole spacing (mm)					Hole spacing (mm)					Hole spacing (mm)					Hole spacing (mm)								
5	1220	1525	1830	2135	610	915	1220	1525	1830	2135	610	915	1220	1525	1830	2135	610	915	1220	1525	1830	2135	610	915	1220	1525	1830	2135
5	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	32	25	25	25	25	25
5	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	32	25	25	25	25	25	32	32	25	25	25	25	32	32	32	25	25	25
5	25	25	25	25	32	25	25	25	25	25	32	32	25	25	25	25	32	32	32	25	25	25	51	38	32	32	32	25
5	25	25	25	25	32	32	25	25	25	25	38	32	32	32	25	25	51	38	32	32	32	32	51	51	38	32	32	32
2	25	25	25	25	38	32	32	32	25	25	51	38	38	32	32	32	51	51	38	32	32	32	64	51	51	38	38	32
2	32	25	25	25	51	38	32	32	32	25	51	51	38	32	32	32	76	51	64	38	38	32	76	76	51	51	38	38
2	32	32	25	25	2	38	38	32	32	32	76	51	38	38	32	32	76	51	51	51	38	38	76	76	51	51	51	38
8	32	32	25	25	51	51	38	32	32	32	76	51	51	38	38	38	76	76	51	51	51	38	76	76	76	51	51	51
8	32	32	32	32	76	51	51	38	38	32	76	76	51	51	51	38	76	76	51	51	51	38	76	76	76	76	51	51

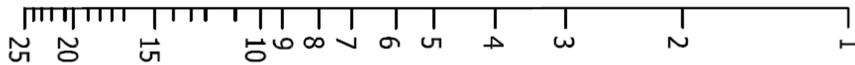
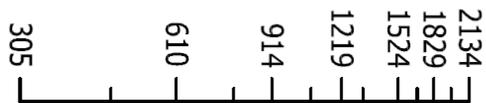
For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch. 1 mm = 0.00328 foot.

TABLE I-2-2^a
DISTRIBUTION PIPE DISCHARGE RATE

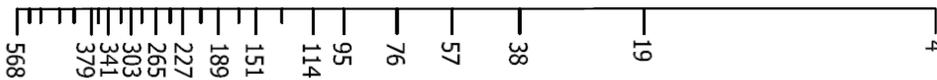
DISTRIBUTION PIPE OR MANIFOLD LENGTH(mm)



HOLE OR DISTRIBUTION PIPE OR SPACING (mm)



NUMBER OF HOLES



DISTRIBUTION PIPE DISCHARGE RATE (LITERS PER MINUTE (L/m) AT 762mm HEAD



HOLE DIAMETER (mm)

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 L/m = 0.2642 gallon (American) per minute.

- b. This table, a nomogram, determines the distribution pipe or manifold length, hole or distribution pipe spacing, number of holes, distribution discharge rate and hole diameter of pressure distribution systems by the placement of a straightedge between two known points.
- c. Pipe sizes are American and are therefore the internal diameter of the pipe. For equivalence of American and metric pipes see the Preface in this code.
- d.

**TABLE I-2-3
RECOMMENDED MANIFOLD DIAMETERS FOR
VARIOUS MANIFOLD LENGTHS, NUMBER OF
DISTRIBUTION PIPES AND
DISTRIBUTION PIPE DISCHARGE RATES
(SCHEDULE 40 PLASTIC PIPE)**

MANIFOLD LENGTH (mm)																								FLOW PER PIPE (L/m)						
3050						4575						6100						7625							9150					
Number of distribution pipes with central manifold																														
6	8	10	4	6	8	10	12	6	8	10	12	14	6	8	10	12	14	6	8	10	12	14								
Manifold diameter (mm)																														
2	38	51	32	38	51	51	51	32	38	51	51	76	51	51	76	76	76	51	51	76	76	76	37.85							
1	51	76	51	51	76	76	76	51	76	76	76	76	76	76	76	76	76	76	76	76	100	100	75.70							
6	76	76	51	51	51	51	100	76	76	76	76	100	76	76	100	100	100	76	76	100	100	100	113.55							
6	76	76	76	76	76	76	100	76	76	100	100	100	76	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	151.40							
6	76	100	76	76	76	100	100	76	76	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	150	150	189.25							
Number of distribution pipes with end manifold																														
3	4	5	2	3	4	5	6	3	4	5	6	7	3	4	5	6	7	3	4	5	6	7								

FLOW PER PIPE (L/m)	MANIFOLD LENGTH (mm)																								FLOW PER PIPE (L/m)					
	10668						12200						13716						18300											
	Number of distribution pipes with central manifold																													
	6	8	10	12	14	16	6	8	10	12	14	16	18	6	8	10	12	14	16	18	20	6	8	10		12	14	16	18	20
Manifold diameter (mm)																														
18.92	51	51	76	76	76	76	51	76	76	76	76	76	76	51	76	76	76	76	76	76	51	76	76	76	76	76	76	100	76	37.85
37.85	76	76	76	76	76	76	76	76	76	100	100	100	100	76	76	76	100	100	100	100	76	76	76	100	100	100	100	100	76	75.70
56.78	76	76	100	100	100	100	76	100	100	100	100	100	150	76	100	100	100	100	150	150	150	76	100	100	100	100	150	150	100	113.55
75.70	76	100	100	100	150	150	76	100	100	150	150	150	150	100	100	100	150	150	150	150	100	100	150	150	150	150	150	150	150	151.40
94.62	100	100	100	150	150	150	100	100	100	150	150	150	150	100	100	150	150	150	150	150	100	100	150	150	150	150	150	150	150	189.25
Number of distribution pipes with end manifold																														
3	4	5	6	7	8	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 L/m = 0.2642 gallon per minute.

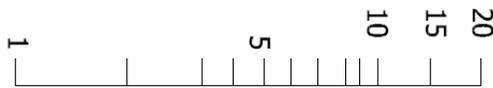
e. Pipe sizes are American and are therefore the internal diameter of the pipe. For equivalence of American and metric pipes see the Preface in this code.

TABLE I-2-4^a
PUMP DOSING RATE

DISTRIBUTION PIPE DISCHARGE RATE (LITRE PER MINUTE)



NUMBER OF DISTRIBUTION PIPES



DOSING RATE (LITRE PER MINUTE)



- For Inch Pound UnitsSI: 1 gallon per minute = 3.785 L/m.
- a. This table, a nomogram, determines the distribution pipe or manifold length, hole or distribution pipe spacing, number of holes, distribution discharge rate and hole diameter of pressure distribution systems by the placement of a straightedge between two known points.

**TABLE I-2-5
FRICTION LOSS^a IN SCHEDULE 40 PLASTIC
PIPE (C = 150)**

PIPE DIAMETER (mm)								
5	32	38	51	76	100	150	2438	3050
.7	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
.8	0.7	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
.0	1.6	0.7	—	—	—	—	—	—
0.1	2.5	1.2	—	—	—	—	—	—
5.2	3.9	1.8	—	—	—	—	—	—
1.4	5.5	2.5	0.7	—	—	—	—	—
3.9	7.9	3.6	1.0	—	—	—	—	—
6.3	9.7	4.6	1.4	—	—	—	—	—
5.7	12.1	5.8	1.7	—	—	—	—	—
5.0	14.6	7.0	2.1	—	—	—	—	—
—	17.7	8.4	2.5	—	—	—	—	—
—	20.9	10.1	3.0	—	—	—	—	—
—	24.2	11.7	3.5	—	—	—	—	—
—	27.4	13.3	3.9	—	—	—	—	—
—	30.6	14.5	4.4	0.7	—	—	—	—
—	34.9	16.5	5.0	0.8	—	—	—	—
—	39.3	18.6	5.6	0.9	—	—	—	—
—	43.7	20.7	6.2	1.0	—	—	—	—
—	48.1	22.8	6.8	1.1	—	—	—	—
—	52.3	24.6	7.4	1.2	—	—	—	—
—	—	37.5	11.0	1.6	—	—	—	—
—	—	52.2	15.4	2.3	—	—	—	—
—	—	—	20.5	3.0	0.7	—	—	—
—	—	—	26.2	3.9	0.9	—	—	—
—	—	—	32.7	4.8	1.2	—	—	—
—	—	—	39.8	5.8	1.6	—	—	—
—	—	—	—	8.1	2.1	—	—	—
—	—	—	—	10.8	2.8	—	—	—
—	—	—	—	13.8	3.7	—	—	—
—	—	—	—	17.3	4.6	—	—	—
—	—	—	—	20.9	5.5	0.7	—	—
—	—	—	—	—	8.5	1.2	—	—
—	—	—	—	—	11.7	1.6	—	—
—	—	—	—	—	15.6	2.1	—	—

(continued)

**TABLE I-2-5—continued
 FRICTION LOSS^a IN SCHEDULE 40 PLASTIC
 PIPE (C = 150)**

PIPE DIAMETER (mm)								
5	32	38	51	76	100	150	205	255
—	—	—	—	—	—	2.8	0.7	—
Velocities in this area become too great for the various flow rates and pipe diameter					—	4.1	1.1	—
					—	5.8	1.6	—
					—	7.8	2.0	0.7
					—	9.9	2.6	0.9
					—	12.2	3.2	1.1
					—	—	3.8	1.4
					—	—	5.4	1.8
					—	—	7.2	2.4
					—	—	—	3.2
					—	—	—	3.8
					—	—	—	4.6

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 L/m = 0.2642 gallon per minute.

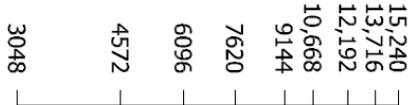
- (8) Friction loss expressed in units of millimetres per metre.
- (9) Pipe sizes are American and are therefore the internal diameter of the pipe. For equivalence of American and metric pipes see the Preface in this code.

MINIMUM DOSE VOLUME BASED ON PIPE SIZE, LENGTH AND NUMBER

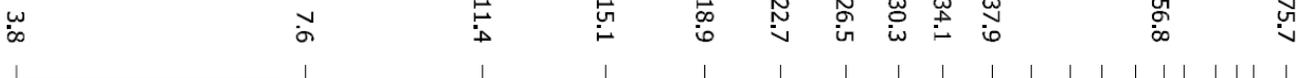
DISTRIBUTION PIPE DIAMETER (millimeter)



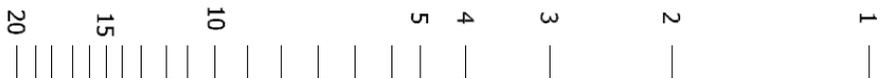
DISTRIBUTION PIPE LENGTH (millimeter)



PIPE VOLUME (litres)



NUMBER OF DISTRIBUTION PIPES



DOSE VOLUME (litres)

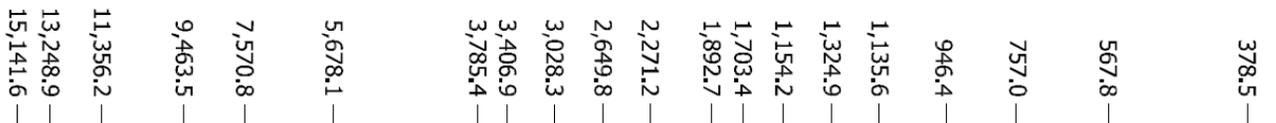


TABLE I-2-6^a
MINIMUM DOSE VOLUME BASED ON PIPE
SIZE, LENGTH AND NUMBER

For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm, 1 foot = 304.8 mm, 1 gallon = 3.787 L.

- a. This table, a nomogram, determines the distribution pipe or manifold length, hole or distribution pipe spacing, number of holes, distribution discharge rate and hole diameter of pressure distribution systems by the placement of a straightedge between two known points.

APPENDIX J

EXISTING BUILDINGS AND STRUCTURES

The provisions contained in this appendix are mandatory and shall be taken as an addition to this code..

User note:

About this appendix: Appendix J regulates the repair, renovation alteration and reconstruction of existing buildings that are within the scope of this code. It is intended to encourage the continued safe use of existing buildings and ensure that new work conforms to the intent of the code and that exiting conditions remain at their current level of compliance or are improved.

SECTION AJ101 PURPOSE AND INTENT

AJ101.1 General. The purpose of these provisions is to encourage the continued use or reuse of legally existing buildings and structures. These provisions are intended to permit work in existing buildings that is consistent with the purpose of this code. Compliance with these provisions shall be deemed to meet the requirements of this code.

AJ101.2 Classification of work. For purposes of this appendix, work in existing buildings shall be classified into the categories of repair, renovation, *alteration* and reconstruction. Specific requirements are established for each category of work in these provisions.

AJ101.3 Multiple categories of work. Work of more than one category shall be part of a single work project. Related work permitted within a 12-month period shall be considered to be a single work project. Where a project includes one category of work in one building area and another category of work in a separate and unrelated area of the building, each project area shall comply with the requirements of the respective category of work. Where a project with more than one category of work is performed in the same area or in related areas of the building, the project shall comply with the requirements of the more stringent category of work.

SECTION AJ102 COMPLIANCE

AJ102.1 General. Regardless of the category of work being performed, the building work shall not cause the structure to become unsafe or adversely affect the performance of the building; shall not cause an existing mechanical or plumbing or electrical or sewage disposal or energy efficiency system to become unsafe, hazardous, insanitary or overloaded or inefficient; and unless expressly permitted by these provisions, shall not make the building any less compliant with this code or to any previously *approved* alternative arrangements than it was before the building work was undertaken.

AJ102.2 Requirements by category of work. Repairs shall conform to the requirements of Section AJ301. Renovations shall conform to the requirements of Section AJ401. Alterations shall conform to the requirements of Section AJ501 and the requirements for renovations. Reconstructions shall conform to the requirements of Section AJ601 and the requirements for alterations and renovations.

AJ102.3 Smoke detectors. Regardless of the category of work, smoke detectors shall be provided where required by Section R314.2.2.

AJ102.4 Replacement windows. Regardless of the category of work, where an existing window, including the sash and glazed portion, or safety glazing is replaced, the replacement window or safety glazing shall comply with the requirements of Sections AJ102.4.1 through AJ102.4.4, as applicable.

AJ102.4.1 Energy efficiency. Replacement windows shall comply with the requirements of Chapter 11.

AJ102.4.2 Safety glazing. Replacement glazing in hazardous locations shall comply with the safety glazing requirements of Section R308.

AJ102.4.3 Emergency escape and rescue openings. Where windows are required to provide emergency escape and rescue openings, replacement windows shall be exempt from the maximum sill height requirements of Section R310.2.2 and the requirements of Sections R310.2.1 and R310.2.3 provided that the replacement window meets the following conditions:

- a. The replacement window is the manufacturer's largest standard size window that will fit within the existing frame or existing rough opening. The replacement window shall be permitted to be of the same operating style as the existing window or a style that provides for an equal or greater window opening area than the existing window.
- b. The replacement window is not part of a change of occupancy.
- c. Window opening control devices complying with ASTM F2090 shall be permitted for use on windows required to provide emergency escape and rescue openings.

AJ102.4.4 Window control devices. Where window fall prevention devices complying with ASTM F2090 are not provided, window opening control devices complying with ASTM F2090 shall be installed where an existing window is replaced and where all of the following apply to the replacement window:

- i) The window is operable.
- ii) The window replacement includes replacement of the sash and the frame.

- iii) The top of the sill of the window opening is at a height less than 610 mm (24 inches) above the finished floor.
- iv) The window will permit openings that will allow passage of a 100 mm (4-inch)-diameter sphere where the window is in its largest opened position.
- v) The vertical distance from the top of the sill of the window opening to the finished grade or other surface below, on the exterior of the building, is greater than 1,830 mm (72 inches).

The window opening control device, after operation to release the control device allowing the window to fully open, shall not reduce the minimum net clear opening area of the window unit.

AJ102.5 Flood hazard areas. Work performed in existing buildings located in a flood hazard area as established by Table R301.2(1) shall be subject to the provisions of Section R105.3.1.1.

AJ102.6 Equivalent alternatives. Work performed in accordance with the *Jamaica Existing Building Code* shall be deemed to comply with the provisions of this appendix. These provisions are not intended to prevent the use of any alternative material, alternative design or alternative method of construction not specifically prescribed herein, provided that any alternative has been deemed to be equivalent and its use authorized by the *Local Authority*.

AJ102.7 Other alternatives. Where compliance with these provisions or with this code as required by these provisions is technically infeasible or would impose disproportionate costs because of construction or dimensional difficulties, the building official shall have the authority to accept alternatives. These alternatives include materials, design features and operational features.

AJ102.8 More restrictive requirements. Buildings or systems in compliance with the requirements of this code for new construction shall not be required to comply with any more restrictive requirement of these provisions.

AJ102.9 Features exceeding code requirements. Elements, components and systems of existing buildings with features that exceed the requirements of this code for new construction, and are not otherwise required as part of *approved* alternative arrangements or deemed by the *Local Authority* to be required to balance other building elements not complying with this code for new construction, shall not be prevented by these provisions from being modified as long as they remain in compliance with the applicable requirements for new construction.

SECTION AJ103 PRELIMINARY MEETING

AJ103.1 General. If a building *permit* is required at the request of the prospective *permit* applicant, the *building official* or his or her designee shall meet with the prospective applicant to discuss plans for any proposed work under this code prior to the application for the *permit*. The purpose of this preliminary meeting is for the *Local Authority* to gain

an understanding of the prospective applicant's intentions for the proposed work, and to determine, together with the prospective applicant, the specific applicability of these provisions.

SECTION AJ104 EVALUATION OF AN EXISTING BUILDING

AJ104.1 General. The *Local Authority* shall have the authority to require an existing building to be investigated and evaluated by a registered *design professional* in the case of proposed reconstruction of any portion of a building. The evaluation shall determine the existence of any potential non-conformities to these provisions, and shall provide a basis for determining the impact of the proposed changes on the performance of the building. The evaluation shall use the following sources of information, as applicable:

1. Available documentation of the existing building.
 - a. Field surveys.
 - b. Tests (nondestructive and destructive).
 - c. Laboratory analysis.

Exception: Detached one- or two-family dwellings that are not irregular buildings under Section R301.2.2.2.5 and are not undergoing an extensive reconstruction shall not be required to be evaluated.

SECTION AJ105 PERMIT

AJ105.1 Identification of work area. The building work area shall be clearly identified on the *permits* issued under this code.

SECTION AJ201 DEFINITIONS

AJ201.1 General. For purposes of this appendix, the terms used are defined as follows.

ALTERATION. The reconfiguration of any space; the *addition* or elimination of any door or window; the reconfiguration or extension of any system; or the installation of any additional *equipment*.

CATEGORIES OF WORK. The nature and extent of construction work undertaken in an existing building. The categories of work covered in this appendix, listed in increasing order of stringency of requirements, are repair, renovation, *alteration* and reconstruction.

DANGEROUS. Where the stresses in any member; the condition of the building, or any of its components or elements or attachments; or other condition that results in an overload exceeding 150 percent of the stress allowed for the member or material in this code.

EQUIPMENT OR FIXTURE. Any plumbing, heating, electrical, ventilating, air-conditioning, refrigerating and fire protection *equipment*; and elevators, dumb waiters, boilers, pressure vessels, and other mechanical facilities or installations that are related to building services.

MATERIALS AND METHODS REQUIREMENTS.

Those requirements in this code that specify material standards; details of installation and connection; joints; penetrations; and continuity of any element, component or system in the building. The required quantity, fire resistance, flame spread, acoustic or thermal performance, or other performance attribute is specifically excluded from materials and methods requirements.

RECONSTRUCTION. The reconfiguration of a space that affects an exit, a renovation or *alteration* where the building work area is not permitted to be occupied because existing means-of- egress and fire protection systems, or their equivalent, are not in place or continuously maintained; or there are extensive *alterations* as defined in Section AJ501.3.

REHABILITATION. Any repair, renovation, *alteration* or reconstruction work undertaken in an existing building.

RENOVATION. The change, strengthening or *addition* of load-bearing elements; or the refinishing, replacement, bracing, strengthening, upgrading or extensive repair of existing materials, elements, components, *equipment* or fixtures. Renovation does not involve reconfiguration of spaces. Interior and exterior painting are not considered refinishing for purposes of this definition, and are not renovation.

REPAIR. The patching, restoration or minor replacement of materials, elements, components, *equipment* or fixtures for the purposes of maintaining those materials, elements, components, *equipment* or fixtures in good or sound condition.

WORK AREA. That portion of a building affected by any renovation, *alteration* or reconstruction work as initially intended by the owner and indicated as such in the *permit*. Work area excludes other portions of the building where incidental work entailed by the intended work shall be performed, and portions of the building where work not initially intended by the owner is specifically required by these provisions for a renovation, *alteration* or reconstruction.

SECTION AJ301 REPAIRS

AJ301.1 Materials. Except as otherwise required herein, work shall be done using like materials or materials permitted by this code for new construction.

AJ301.1.1 Hazardous materials. Hazardous materials no longer permitted, such as asbestos and lead-based paint, shall not be used.

AJ301.1.2 Plumbing materials and supplies. The following plumbing materials and supplies shall not be used:

- a) All-purpose solvent cement, unless *listed* for the specific application.
- b) Flexible traps and tailpieces, unless *listed* for the specific application.
- c) Solder having more than 0.2-percent lead in the repair of potable water systems.

AJ301.2 Water closets. Where any water closet is replaced with a newly manufactured water closet, the replacement

water closet shall comply with the requirements of Section P2903.2.

AJ301.3 Electrical. Repair or replacement of existing electrical wiring and *equipment* undergoing repair with like material shall be permitted.

Exceptions:

Replacement of electrical receptacles shall comply with the requirements of Chapters 34 through 43.

Plug fuses of the Edison-base type shall be used for replacements only where there is not evidence of over-fusing or tampering in accordance with the applicable requirements of Chapters 34 through 43.

For replacement of non-grounding-type receptacles with grounding-type receptacles and for branch circuits that do not have an *equipment* grounding conductor in the branch circuitry, the grounding conductor of a grounding-type receptacle outlet shall be permitted to be grounded to any accessible point on the grounding electrode system, or to any accessible point on the grounding electrode conductor, as allowed and described in Chapters 34 through 43.

SECTION AJ401 RENOVATIONS

AJ401.1 Materials and methods. The building work shall comply with the materials and methods requirements of this code.

AJ401.2 Door and window dimensions. Minor reductions in the clear opening dimensions of replacement doors and windows that result from the use of different materials shall be allowed, whether or not they are permitted by this code.

AJ401.3 Interior finish. Wood paneling and textile wall coverings used as an interior finish shall comply with the flame spread requirements of Section R302.9.

AJ401.4 Structural. Unreinforced masonry buildings located in Seismic Design Category D₂ or E shall have parapet bracing and wall anchors installed at the roofline whenever a reroofing *permit* is issued. Such parapet bracing and wall anchors shall be of an *approved* design.

SECTION AJ501 ALTERATIONS

AJ501.1 Newly constructed elements. Newly constructed elements, components and systems shall comply with the requirements of this code.

Exceptions:

1. Added openable windows are not required to comply with the light and *ventilation* requirements of Section R303.
2. Newly installed electrical *equipment* shall comply with the requirements of Section AJ501.5.

AJ501.2 Nonconformities. The building work shall not increase the extent of noncompliance with the requirements of Section AJ601, or create nonconformity to those requirements that did not previously exist.

AJ501.3 Extensive alterations. Where the total area of all of the building work areas included in an *alteration* exceeds 50 percent of the area of the *dwelling unit*, the building work shall be considered to be a reconstruction and shall comply with the requirements of these provisions for reconstruction work.

Exception: Work areas in which the *alteration* work is exclusively plumbing, mechanical or electrical shall not be included in the computation of the total area of all work areas.

AJ501.4 Structural. The minimum design loads for the structure shall be the loads applicable at the time the building was constructed, provided that a dangerous condition is not created. Structural elements that are uncovered during the course of the *alteration* and that are found to be unsound or dangerous shall be made to comply with the applicable requirements of this code.

AJ501.5 Electrical equipment and wiring.

AJ501.5.1 Materials and methods. Newly installed electrical *equipment* and wiring relating to work done in any work area shall comply with the materials and methods requirements of Chapters 34 through 43.

Exception: Electrical *equipment* and wiring in newly installed partitions and ceilings shall comply with the applicable requirements of Chapters 34 through 43.

AJ501.5.2 Electrical service. Service to the *dwelling unit* shall be not less than 100 ampere, three-wire capacity and service *equipment* shall be dead front having no live parts exposed that could allow accidental contact. Type “S” fuses shall be installed where fused *equipment* is used.

Exception: Existing service of 60 ampere, three-wire capacity, and feeders of 30 ampere or larger two- or three-wire capacity shall be accepted if adequate for the electrical load being served.

AJ501.5.3 Additional electrical requirements. Where the building work area includes any of the following areas within a *dwelling unit*, the requirements of Sections AJ501.5.3.1 through AJ501.5.3.5 shall apply.

AJ501.5.3.1 Enclosed areas. Enclosed areas other than closets, kitchens, *basements*, garages, hallways, laundry areas and bathrooms shall have not less than two duplex receptacle outlets, or one duplex receptacle outlet and one ceiling- or wall-type lighting outlet.

AJ501.5.3.2 Kitchen and laundry areas. Kitchen areas shall have not less than two duplex receptacle outlets. Laundry areas shall have not less than one duplex receptacle outlet located near the laundry *equipment* and installed on an independent circuit.

AJ501.5.3.3 Ground-fault circuit interruption. Ground-fault circuit interruption shall be provided on newly installed receptacle outlets if required by Chapters 34 through 43.

AJ501.5.3.4 Lighting outlets. Not less than one lighting outlet shall be provided in every bathroom, hallway, stairway, attached garage and detached garage with electric power to illuminate outdoor entrances and exits, and in utility rooms and *basements* where these

spaces are used for storage or contain *equipment* requiring service.

AJ501.5.3.5 Clearance. Clearance for electrical service *equipment* shall be provided in accordance with Chapters 34 through 43.

AJ501.6 Ventilation. Reconfigured spaces intended for occupancy and spaces converted to habitable or occupiable space in any work area shall be provided with *ventilation* in accordance with Section R303.

AJ501.7 Ceiling height. *Habitable spaces* created in existing *basements* shall have ceiling heights of not less than 2,032 mm (6 feet, 8 inches), except that the ceiling height at obstructions shall be not less than 1,930 mm (6 feet 4 inches) from the *basement* floor. Existing finished ceiling heights in non-habitable spaces in *basements* shall not be reduced.

AJ501.8 Stairs.

AJ501.8.1 Stair width. Existing *basement* stairs and handrails not otherwise being altered or modified shall be permitted to maintain their current clear width at, above and below existing handrails.

AJ501.8.2 Stair headroom. Headroom height on existing *basement* stairs being altered or modified shall not be reduced below the existing stairway finished headroom. Existing *basement* stairs not otherwise being altered shall be permitted to maintain the current finished headroom.

AJ501.8.3 Stair landing. Landings serving existing *basement* stairs being altered or modified shall not be reduced below the existing stairway landing depth and width. Existing *basement* stairs not otherwise being altered shall be permitted to maintain the current landing depth and width.

SECTION AJ601 RECONSTRUCTION

AJ601.1 Stairways, handrails and guards.

AJ601.1.1 Stairways. Stairways within the building work area shall be provided with illumination in accordance with Section R303.6.

AJ601.1.2 Handrails. Every required exit stairway that has four or more risers, is part of the means of egress for any work area, and is not provided with not fewer than one handrail, or in which the existing handrails are judged to be in danger of collapsing, shall be provided with handrails designed and installed in accordance with Section R311 for the full length of the run of steps on not less than one side.

AJ601.1.3 Guards. Every open portion of a stair, landing or balcony that is more than 760 mm (30 inches) above the floor or *grade* below, is part of the egress path for any work area, and does not have *guards*, or in which the existing *guards* are judged to be in danger of collapsing, shall be provided with *guards* designed and installed in accordance with Section R312.

AJ601.2 Wall and ceiling finish. The interior finish of walls and ceilings in any work area shall comply with the requirements of Section R302.9. Existing interior finish materials that do not comply with those requirements shall be removed

or shall be treated with an *approved* fire-retardant coating in accordance with the manufacturer’s instructions to secure compliance with the requirements of this section.

AJ601.3 Separation walls. Where the building work area is in an attached *dwelling unit*, walls separating *dwelling units* that are not continuous from the foundation to the underside of the roof sheathing shall be constructed to provide a continuous fire separation using construction materials consistent with the existing wall or complying with the requirements for new structures. Performance of work shall be required only on the side of the wall of the *dwelling unit* that is part of the building work area.

AJ601.4 Ceiling height. *Habitable spaces* created in existing *basements* shall have ceiling heights of not less than 2,150 mm (7 feet), except that the ceiling height at obstructions shall be not less than 2,050 mm (6 feet 8 inches) from the *basement* floor. Existing finished ceiling heights in non-habitable spaces in *basements* shall not be reduced.

**SECTION AJ701
REFERENCED STANDARDS**

ASTM F2090—17	Specification for Window Fall Prevention Devices with Emergency Escape (Egress) Release Mechanisms	AJ102.4.3 AJ102.4.4
JEBC—20	<i>Jamaica Existing Building Code</i> ®	AJ102.6

APPENDIX K

SOUND TRANSMISSION

The provisions contained in this appendix are mandatory and therefore constitute part of this code.

User note:

About this appendix: Sound transmission relates directly to the psychological and long-term physical well-being of building occupants. Many human activities cannot be accommodated efficiently or comfortably in various types of building spaces without proper attention to the mitigation of sound transmission from other spaces within the building, or from outside of the building. In Appendix K, attention is specifically paid to the mitigation of sound transmission between dwelling units and other dwelling units and occupancies.

SECTION AK101 GENERAL

AK101.1 General. Wall and floor-ceiling assemblies separating *dwelling units*, including those separating adjacent *townhouse* units, shall provide airborne sound insulation for walls, and both airborne and impact sound insulation for floor-ceiling assemblies.

SECTION AK102 AIRBORNE SOUND

AK102.1 General. Airborne sound insulation for wall and floor-ceiling assemblies shall meet a sound transmission class (STC) rating of 45 when tested in accordance with ASTM E90. Penetrations or openings in construction assemblies for piping; electrical devices; recessed cabinets; bathtubs; soffits; or heating, ventilating or exhaust ducts shall be sealed, lined, insulated or otherwise treated to maintain the required ratings. *Dwelling unit* entrance doors, which share a common space, shall be tight fitting to the frame and sill.

AK102.1.1 Masonry. The sound transmission class of concrete masonry and clay masonry assemblies shall be calculated in accordance with TMS 0302 or determined through testing in accordance with ASTM E90.

SECTION AK103 STRUCTURAL-BORNE SOUND

AK103.1 General. Floor/ceiling assemblies between *dwelling units*, or between a *dwelling unit* and a public or service area within a structure, shall have an impact insulation class (IIC) rating of not less than 45 when tested in accordance with ASTM E492.

SECTION AK104 REFERENCED STANDARDS

ASTM E90—09	Test Method for Laboratory Measurement of Airborne Sound Transmission Loss of Building Partitions and Elements	AK102.1 AK102.1.1
ASTM E492—09	Specification for Laboratory Measurement of Impact Sound Transmission through Floor-ceiling Assemblies Using the Tapping Machine	AK103.1
TMS 0302—12	Standard for Determining the Sound Transmission Class Rating for Masonry Walls	AK102.1.1

APPENDIX L

PERMIT FEES

The provisions contained in this appendix are not mandatory but only for information purposes..

User note:

About this appendix: Appendix L is intended to provide guidance to building departments in their efforts to set fees for building permits. This appendix provides examples that may be used as a reference when setting fee schedules and are not intended to be literally applied.

TOTAL VALUATION	FEE
\$1 to \$500	\$24
\$501 to \$2,000	\$24 for the first \$500; plus \$3 for each additional \$100 or fraction thereof, up to and including \$2,000
\$2,001 to \$40,000	\$69 for the first \$2,000; plus \$11 for each additional \$1,000 or fraction thereof, up to and including \$40,000
\$40,001 to \$100,000	\$487 for the first \$40,000; plus \$9 for each additional \$1,000 or fraction thereof, up to and including \$100,000
\$100,001 to \$500,000	\$1,027 for the first \$100,000; plus \$7 for each additional \$1,000 or fraction thereof, up to and including \$500,000
\$500,001 to \$1,000,000	\$3,827 for the first \$500,000; plus \$5 for each additional \$1,000 or fraction thereof, up to and including \$1,000,000
\$1,000,001 to \$5,000,000	\$6,327 for the first \$1,000,000; plus \$3 for each additional \$1,000 or fraction thereof, up to and including \$5,000,000
\$5,000,001 and over	\$18,327 for the first \$5,000,000; plus \$1 for each additional \$1,000 or fraction thereof

APPENDIX M

HOME DAY CARE—R-3 OCCUPANCY

The provisions contained in this appendix are not mandatory but only for information purposes.

User note:

About this appendix: Appendix M is intended to apply to scenarios where day care is provided to more than five children in dwellings that are under the scope of this code. The Jamaica Building Code® considers such structures R3 Residential occupancies as complex buildings and does not allow them to be constructed under this code. Although there are many general provisions in the body of the code that apply to home day care as well as other occupancies, this appendix contains the provisions that are specific to home day care.

SECTION AM101 GENERAL

AM101.1 General. This appendix shall apply to a home day care operated within a *dwelling*. It is to include buildings and structures occupied by persons of any age who receive custodial care for less than 24 hours by individuals other than parents or guardians or relatives by blood, marriage, or adoption, and in a place other than the home of the person cared for.

SECTION AM102 DEFINITION

AM102.1 General. The following term shall, for the purposes of this appendix, have the meaning shown herein.

EXIT ACCESS. That portion of a means-of-egress system that leads from any occupied point in a building or structure to an exit.

SECTION AM103 MEANS OF EGRESS

AM103.1 Exits required. If the occupant load of the residence is more than nine, including those who are residents, during the time of operation of the day care, two exits are required from the ground-level *story*. Two exits are required from a home day care operated in a *manufactured home* regardless of the occupant load. Exits shall comply with Section R311.

AM103.1.1 Exit access prohibited. An exit access from the area of day care operation shall not pass through bathrooms, bedrooms, closets, garages, fenced rear *yards* or similar areas.

Exception: An exit may discharge into a fenced *yard* if the gate or gates remain unlocked during day care hours. The gates may be locked if there is an area of refuge located within the fenced *yard* and more than 15,240 mm (50 feet) from the *dwelling*. The area of refuge shall be large enough to allow 0.5 m² (5 square feet) per occupant.

AM103.1.2 Basements. If the *basement* of a *dwelling* is to be used in the day care operation, two exits are required from the *basement* regardless of the occupant load. One of

the exits may pass through the *dwelling* and the other shall lead directly to the exterior of the *dwelling*.

An emergency and escape window used as the second means of egress from a basement shall comply with Sections R310 and AM103.1.1.

AM103.1.3 Yards. If the *yard* is to be used as part of the day care operation it shall be fenced.

AM103.1.3.1 Type of fence and hardware. The fence shall be of durable materials and be not less than 1,530 mm (6 feet) tall, completely enclosing the area used for the day care operations. Each opening shall be a gate or door equipped with a self-closing and self-latching device to be installed at not less than 1,525 mm (5 feet) above the ground.

Exception: The door of any *dwelling* that forms part of the enclosure need not be equipped with self-closing and self-latching devices.

AM103.1.3.2 Construction of fence. Openings in the fence, wall or enclosure required by this section shall have intermediate rails or an ornamental pattern that do not allow a sphere 100 mm (4 inches) in diameter to pass through. In addition, the following criteria shall be met:

- The maximum vertical clearance between *grade* and the bottom of the fence, wall or enclosure shall be 51 mm (2 inches).
- Solid walls or enclosures that do not have openings, such as masonry or stone walls, shall not contain indentations or protrusions, except for tooled masonry joints.
- Maximum mesh size for chain link fences shall be 32 mm (1¹/₄ inches) square, unless the fence has slats at the top or bottom that reduce the opening to not more than 44 mm (1³/₄ inches). The wire shall be not less than 9 gage [3.8 mm (0.148 inch)].

AM103.1.3.3 Decks. Decks that are more than 305 mm (12 inches) above *grade* shall have a guard in compliance with Section R312.

AM103.2 Width and height of an exit. The minimum width of a required exit is 915 mm (36 inches) with a net clear

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width of 812 mm (32 inches). The minimum height of a required exit is 2,032 mm (6 feet, 8 inches).

AM103.3 Type of lock and latches for exits. Regardless of the occupant load served, exit doors shall be openable from the inside without the use of a key or any special knowledge or effort. Where the occupant load is 10 or less, a night latch, dead bolt or security chain may be used, provided that such devices are openable from the inside without the use of a key or tool, and are mounted at a height not to exceed 1,220 mm (48 inches) above the finished floor.

AM103.4 Landings. Landings for stairways and doors shall comply with Section R311, except that landing shall be required for the exterior side of a sliding door where a home day care is being operated in a Group R-3 occupancy.

SECTION AM104 SMOKE DETECTION

AM104.1 General. Smoke detectors shall be installed in *dwelling* units used for home day care operations. Detectors shall be installed in accordance with the approved manufacturer's instructions. If the current smoke detection system in the *dwelling* is not in compliance with the currently adopted code for smoke detection, it shall be upgraded to meet the currently adopted code requirements and Section AM103 before day care operations commence.

AM104.2 Power source. Required smoke detectors shall receive their primary power from the building wiring where that wiring is served from a commercial source and shall be equipped with a battery backup. The detector shall emit a signal when the batteries are low. Wiring shall be permanent and without a disconnecting switch other than those required for overcurrent protection. Required smoke detectors shall be interconnected such that if one detector is activated, all detectors are activated.

AM104.3 Location. A detector shall be located in each bedroom and any room that is to be used as a sleeping room, and centrally located in the corridor, hallway or area giving access to each separate sleeping area. Where the *dwelling* unit has more than one *story*, and in *dwellings* with *basements*, a detector shall be installed on each *story* and in the *basement*. In *dwelling* units where a *story* or *basement* is split into two or more levels, the smoke detector shall be installed on the upper level, except that where the lower level contains a sleeping area, a detector shall be installed on each level. Where sleeping rooms are on the upper level, the detector shall be placed at the ceiling of the upper level in close proximity to the stairway. In *dwelling* units where the ceiling height of a room open to the hallway serving the bedrooms or sleeping areas exceeds that of the hallway by 610 mm (24 inches) or more, smoke detectors shall be installed in the hallway and the adjacent room. Detectors shall sound an alarm audible in all sleeping areas of the *dwelling* unit in which they are located.

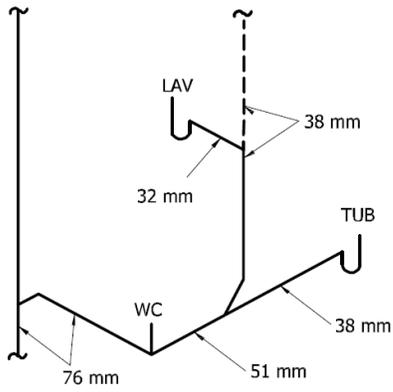
APPENDIX N

VENTING METHODS

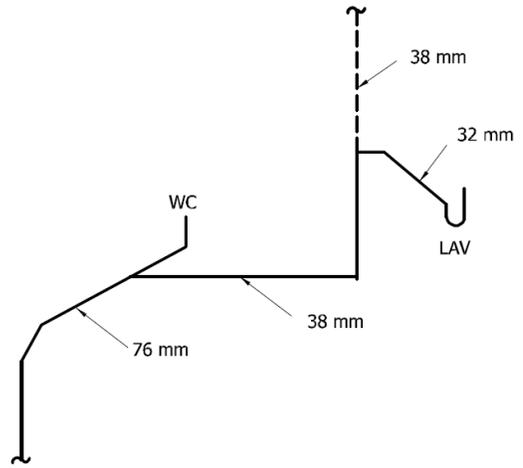
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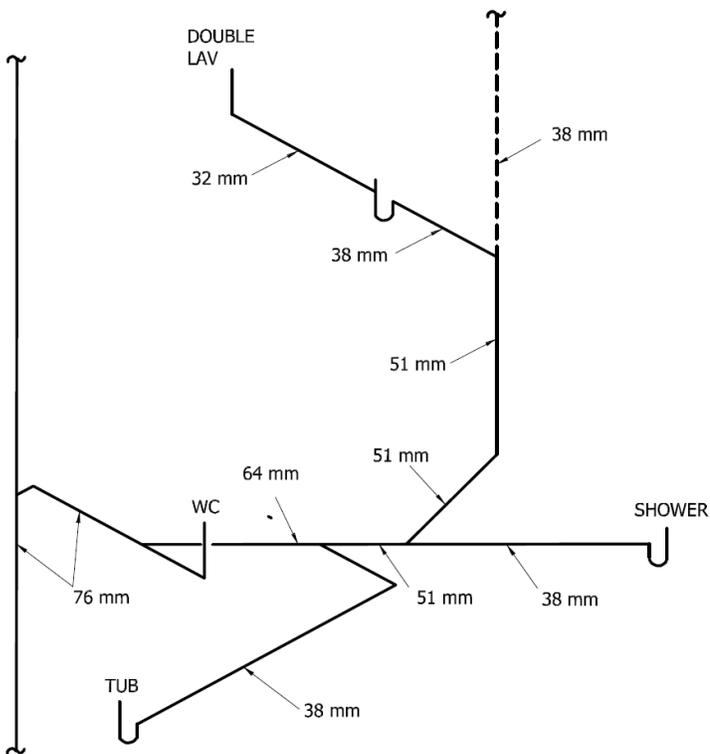
About this appendix: *Venting for plumbing systems is often best understood using diagrams such as isometrics. Appendix N illustrates a variety of venting methods indicated in Chapter 31 of this code.*



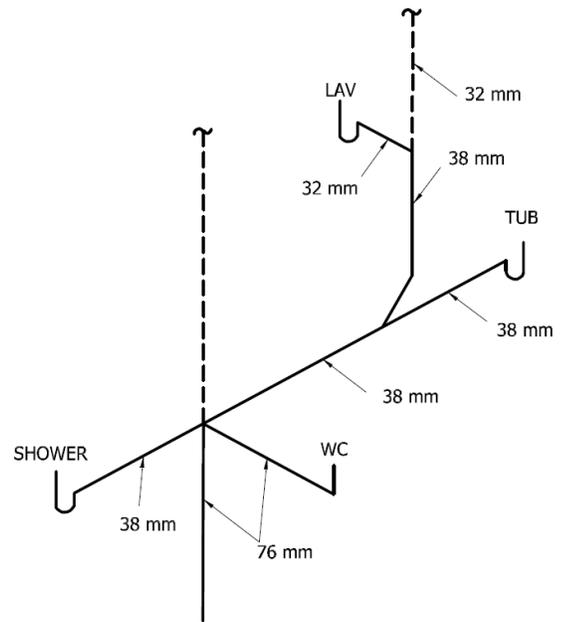
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B. TYPICAL POWDER ROOM



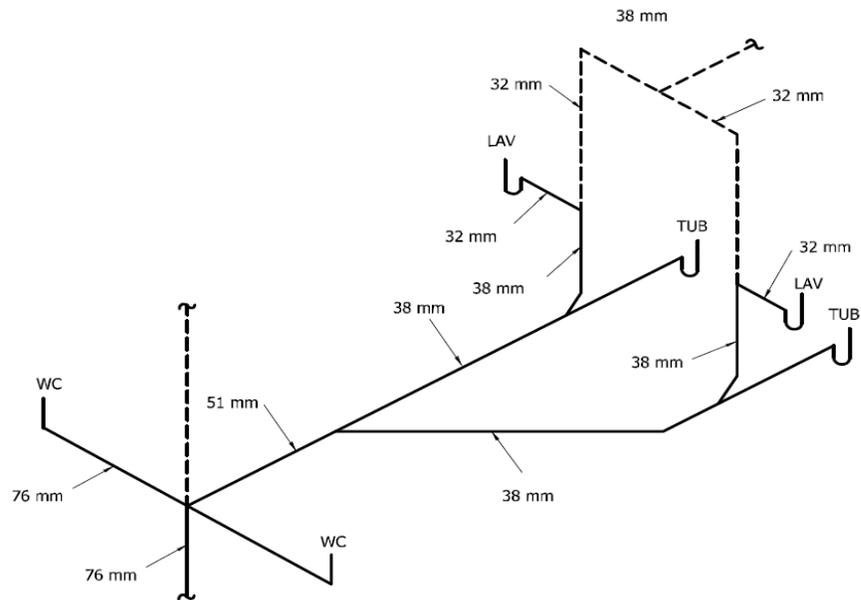
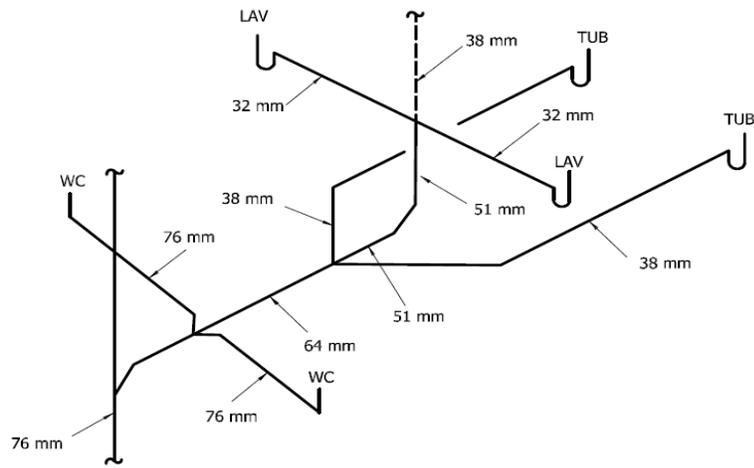
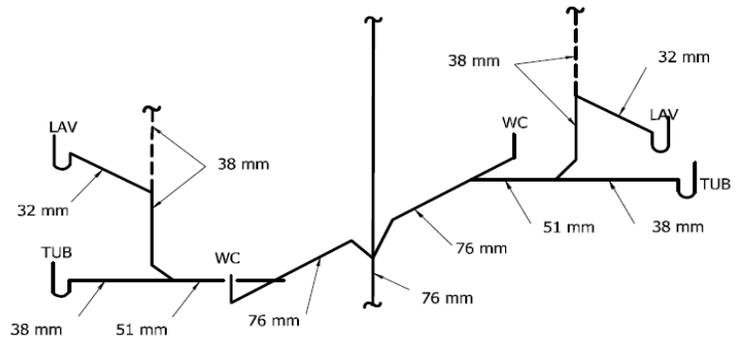
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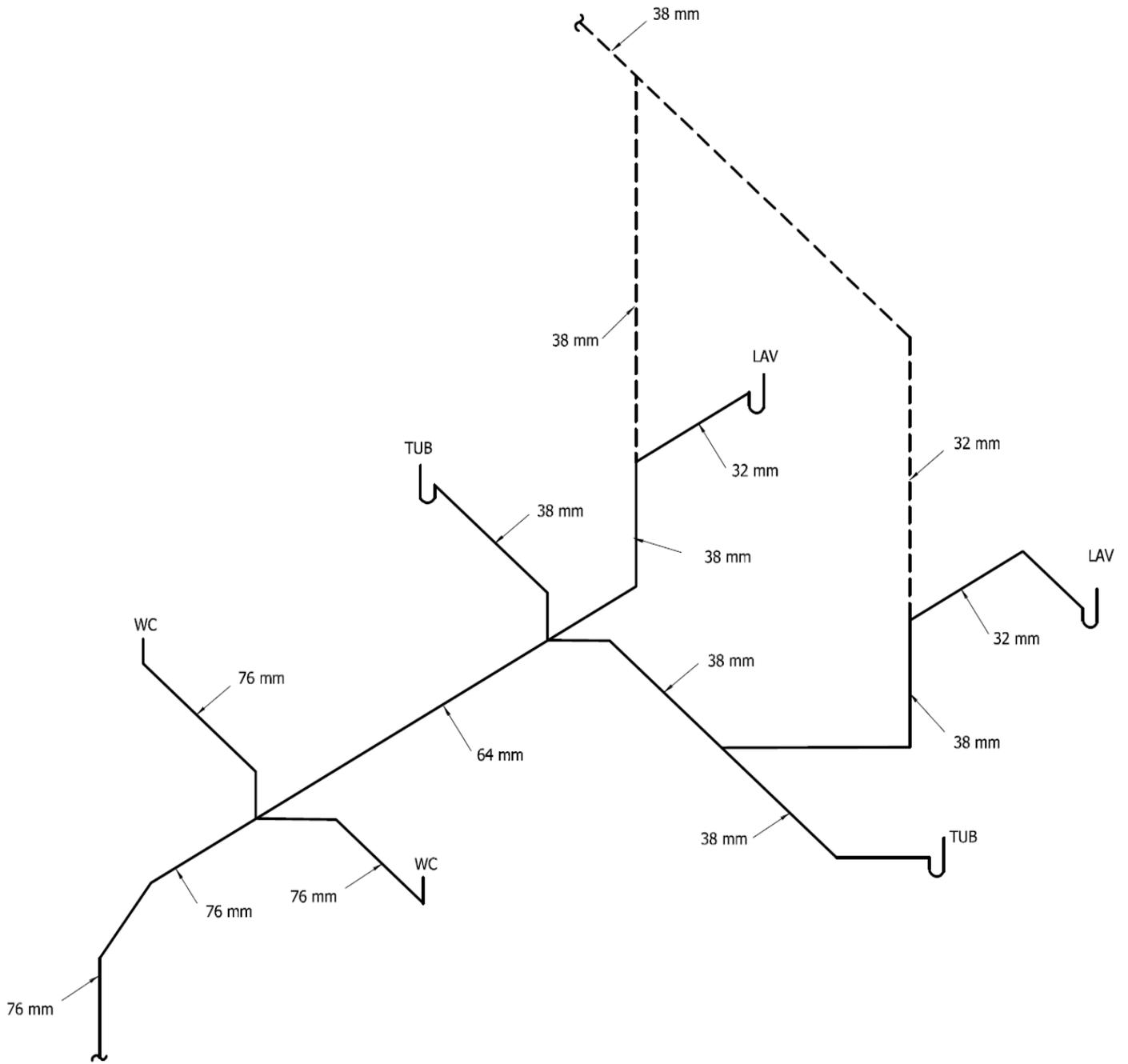
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**FIGURE N1
TYPICAL SINGLE-BATH WET-VENT ARRANGEMENTS**



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FIGURE N2
TYPICAL DOUBLE-BATH WET-VENT ARRANGEMENTS

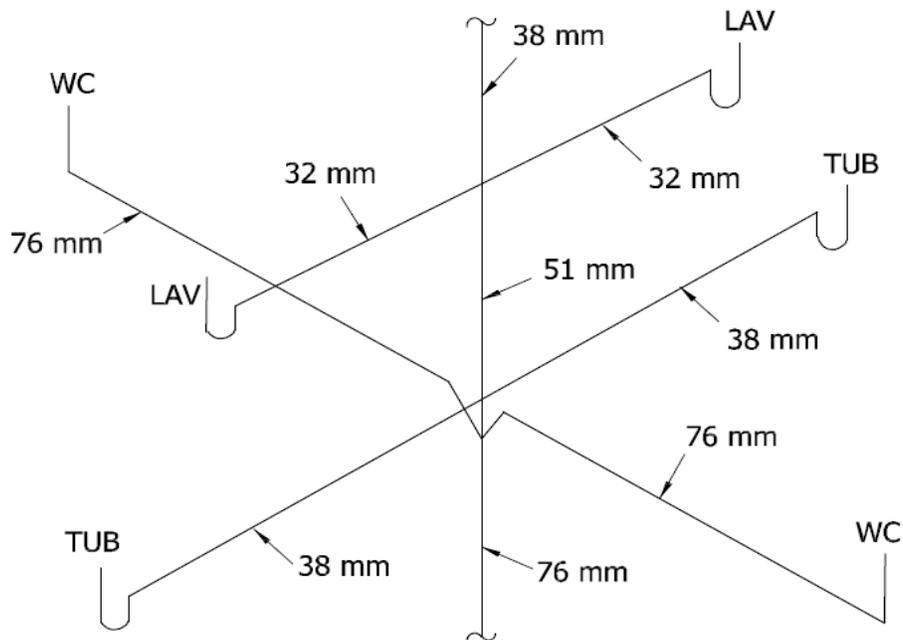


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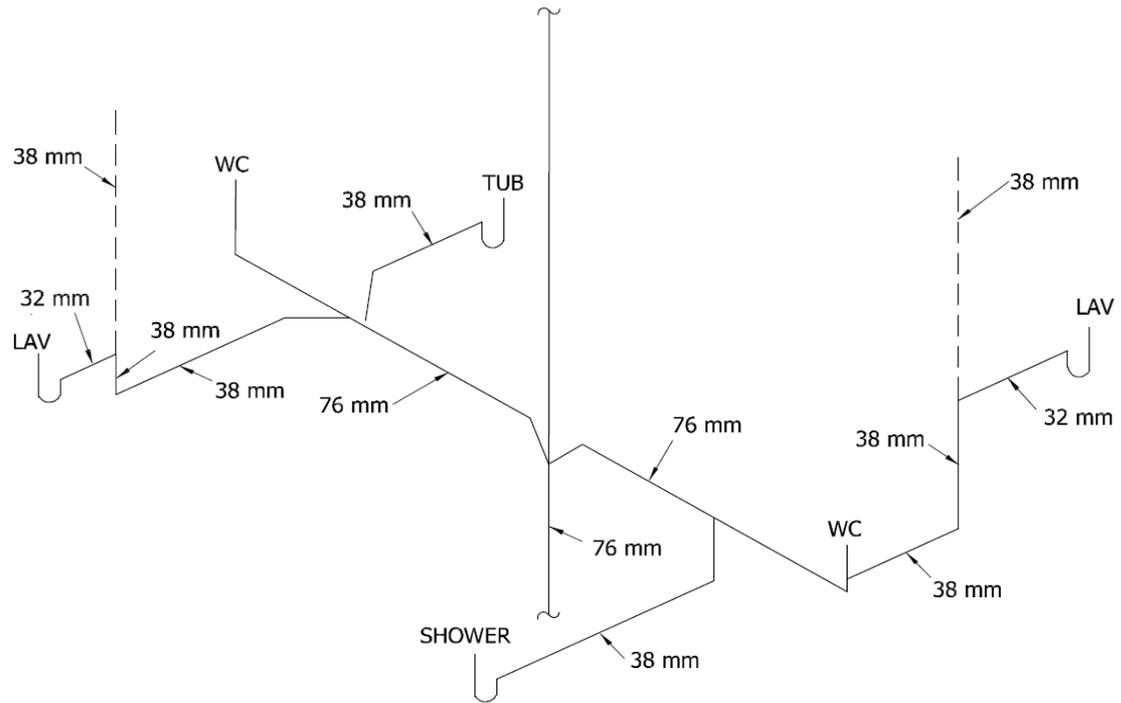
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ii. HORIZONTAL WET VENTING



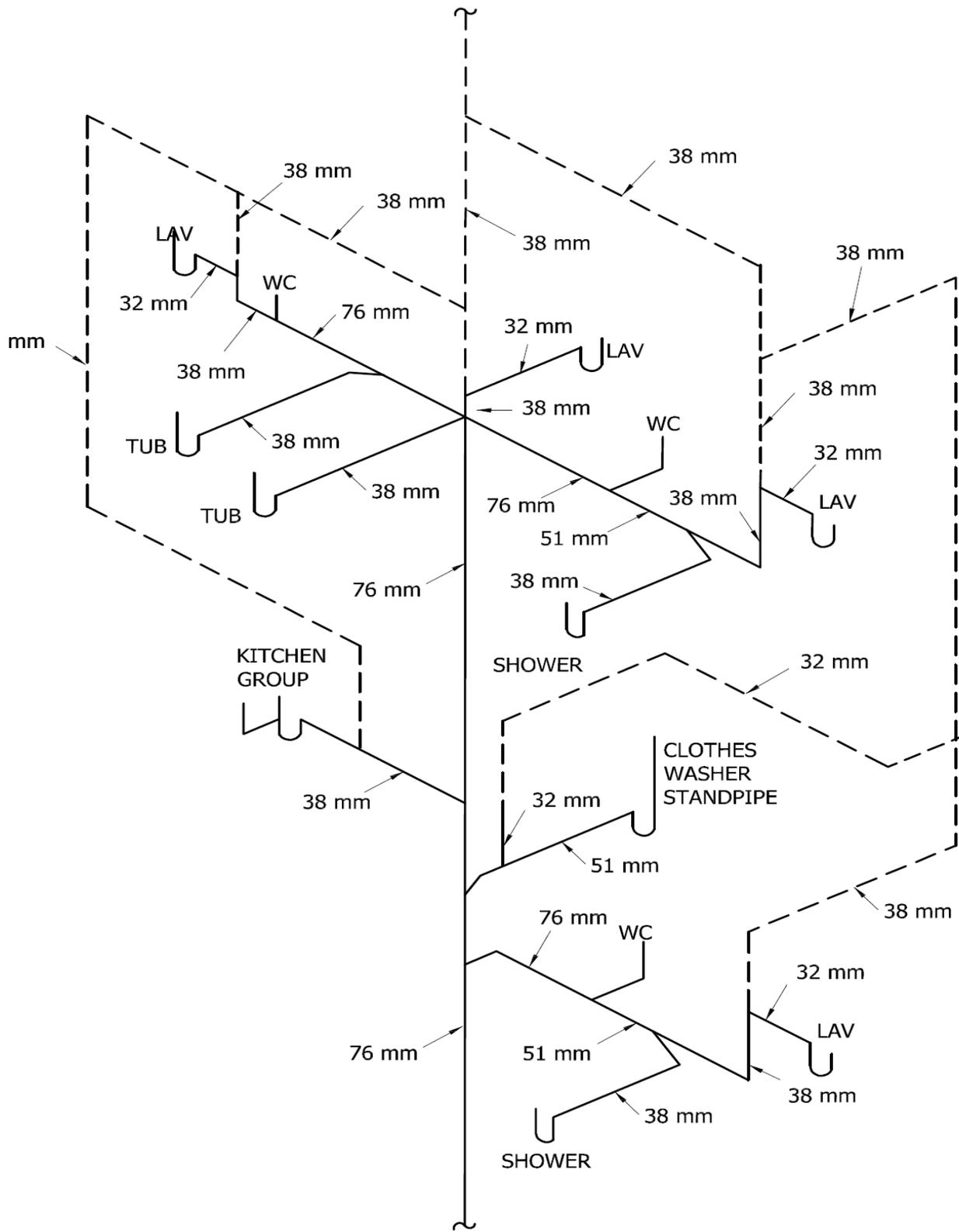
A. VERTICAL WET VENTING



B. HORIZONTAL WET VENTING

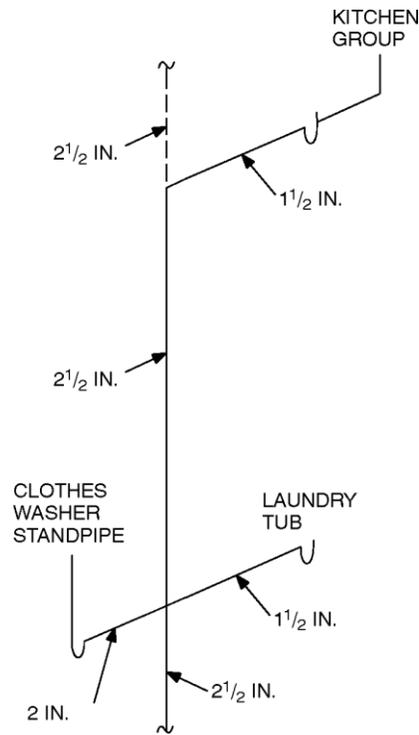
1 mm = 0.03937 inch.

FIGURE N4
TYPICAL METHODS OF WET VENTING



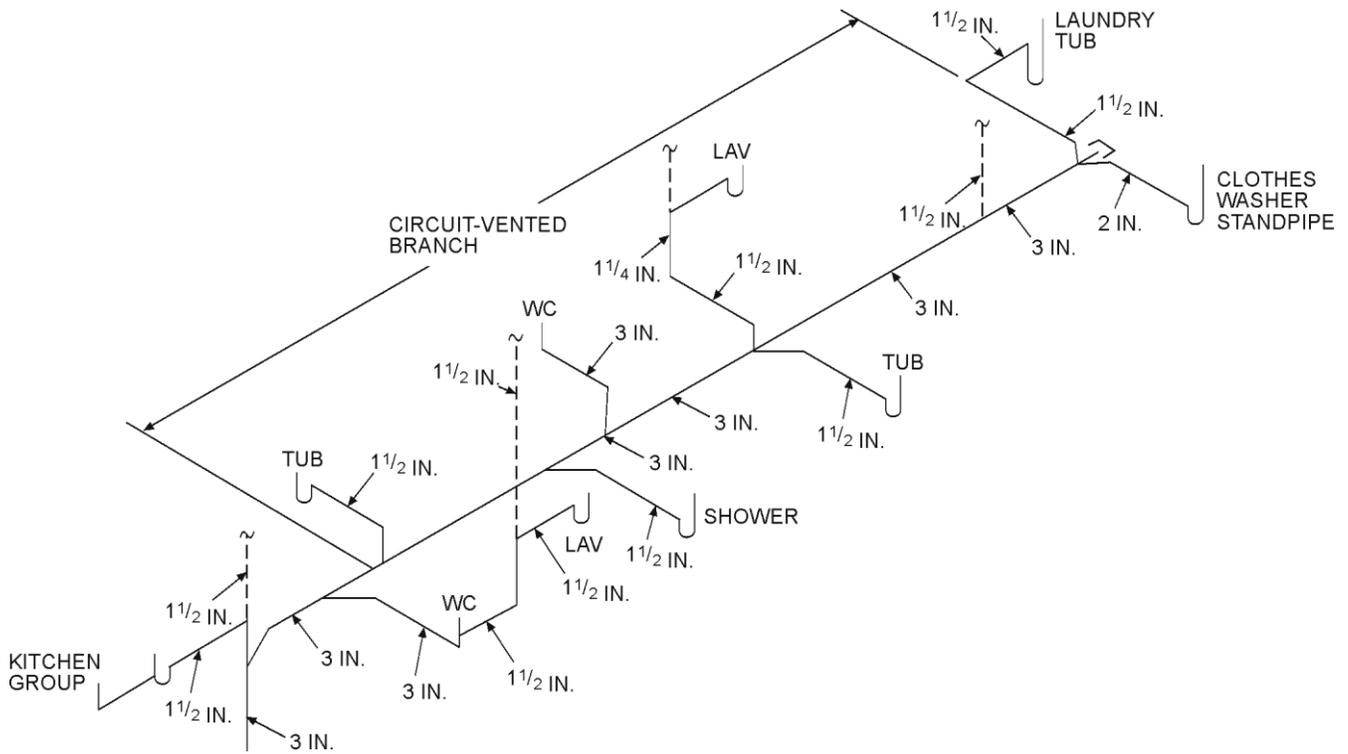
For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch.

**FIGURE N5
SINGLE STACK SYSTEM FOR A TWO-STORY DWELLING**

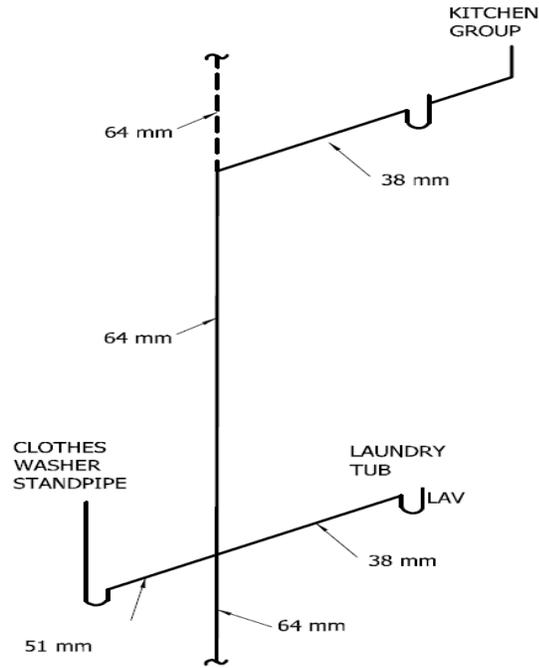


For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm.

**FIGURE N6
WASTE STACK VENTING**

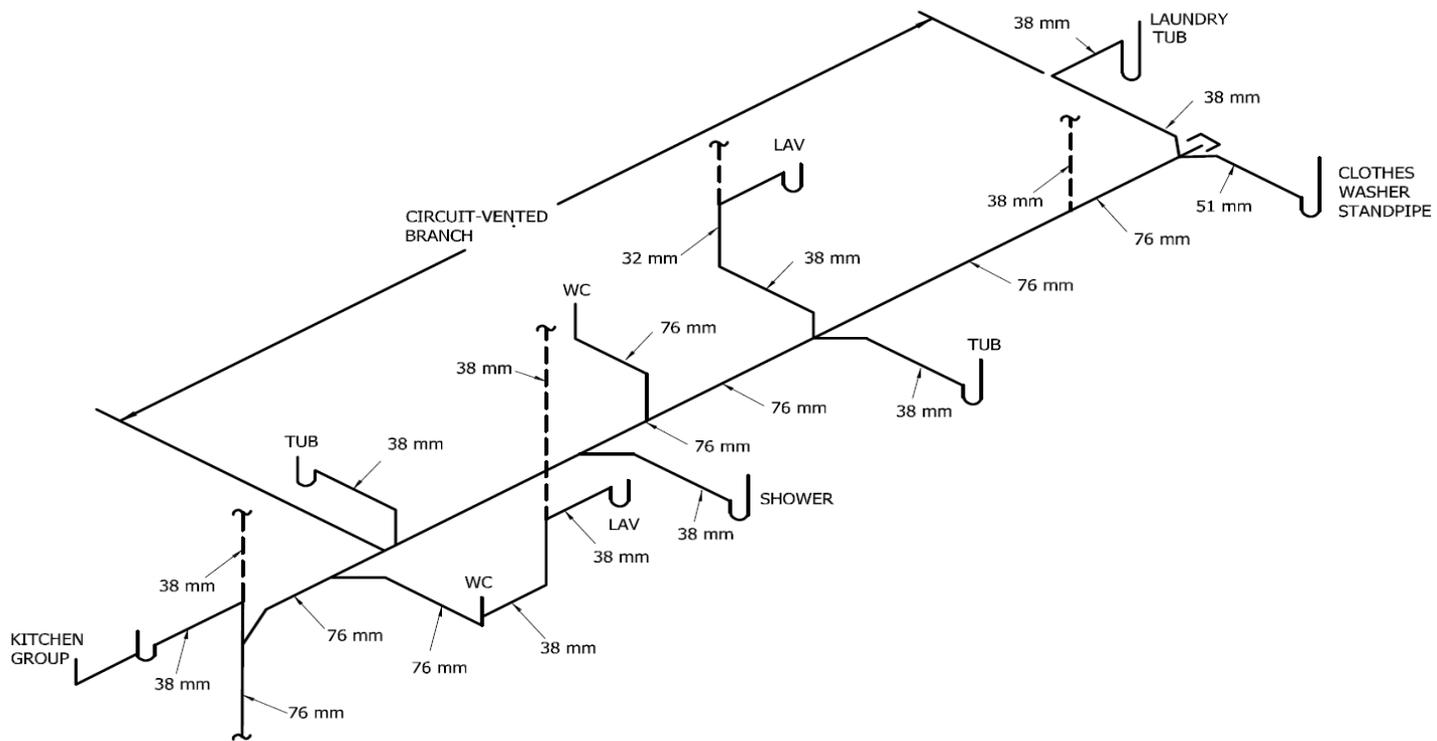


For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm.



For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch.

**FIGURE N6
WASTE STACK VENTING**



For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch.

**FIGURE N7
CIRCUIT VENT WITH ADDITIONAL NONCIRCUIT-VENTED BRANCH**

APPENDIX O

AUTOMATIC VEHICULAR GATES

The provisions contained in this appendix are mandatory and are therefore part of this code.

User note:

About this appendix: Appendix O provides requirements for automatic vehicular gates, including a definition of and references to standards that regulate such gates.

SECTION AO101 GENERAL

AO101.1 General. The provisions of this appendix shall control the design and construction of automatic vehicular gates installed on the lot of a one- or two-family dwelling.

SECTION AO102 DEFINITION

AO102.1 General. The following term shall, for the purposes of this appendix, have the meaning shown herein.

VEHICULAR GATE. A gate that is intended for use at a vehicular entrance or exit to the lot of a one- or two-family dwelling, and that is not intended for use by pedestrian traffic.

SECTION AO103 AUTOMATIC VEHICULAR GATES

AO103.1 Vehicular gates intended for automation. Vehicular gates intended for automation shall be designed, constructed and installed to comply with the requirements of ASTM F2200, the manufacturer and this section.

AO103.2 Vehicular gate openers. Vehicular gate openers, where provided, shall be listed in accordance with UL 325.

AO103.3 Lightning protection. Every automatic vehicular gate opener shall be fitted with an effective, appropriately sized lightning arrester (surge protector) supplied by the gate opener manufacturer or another source. The arrester shall have a response time of 1 nano-second or less, operates normally within the temperature band of 0° - 55°C, shunts all voltages above 10% of nominal to the local grounding system.

AO103.4 Grounding system. The local grounding system shall provide a resistance to ground of between 5 and 10 Ohms and shall consist of at least a 1,220 mm (4 feet) long by 16 mm (5/8 inch) diameter copper ground rod, a copper clad mild steel “U” clamp and 25 mm² bare copper ground conductor. The ground rod shall be vertically driven into loam, clay or alluvial soil to about 25 mm (1 inches) below ground level and the soil around the top 100 mm (4 inches) of the rod scooped out to make way for the “U” clamp and ground wire connection. The rod, clamp and conductor connection shall be firmly made and covered with a 100 mm (4 inches) deep by 100 mm (4 inches) diameter PVC plastic cap. The ground conductor shall be buried in its traverse

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from the surge protector to the ground rod. The ground conductor shall be firmly connected to the surge protector and the conducting enclosure for the gate control circuit.

AO103.4 Grounding in high resistance soils. For grounding in limestone, sandy and rocky soils a ground pit 305 mm (1 foot) in diameter by 1,375 mm (4 feet 6 inches) shall be drilled or dug into the soil then packed with commercially available electrolytic soil and drive the 1,220 mm (4 feet) ground rod vertically in the geometric centre of the pit to 25 mm (1 inch) below ground level. Electrolytic soil shall be replenished or replaced when the resistance exceeds 10 Ohms.

SECTION AO104 REFERENCED STANDARDS

ASTM F2200—14	Standard Specification for Automated Vehicular Gate Construction	AO103.1
UL 325—02	Door, Drapery, Gate, Louver and Window Operations and Systems—with revisions through May 2015	AO103.2

APPENDIX P

SIZING OF WATER PIPING SYSTEM

The provisions contained in this appendix are mandatory and constitute part of this code.

User note:

About this appendix: Chapter 29 has the basic information to begin sizing of a water service and water distribution piping system. Appendix P provides several methods that can be used to complete pipe sizing for a building.

SECTION AP101 GENERAL

AP101.1 Scope.

AP101.1.1 This appendix outlines two procedures for sizing a water piping system (see Sections AP103.3 and AP201.1). The design procedures are based on the minimum static pressure available from the supply source, the head changes in the system caused by friction and elevation, and the rates of flow necessary for operation of various fixtures.

AP101.1.2 Because of the variable conditions encountered in hydraulic design, it is impractical to specify definite and detailed rules for sizing of the water piping system. Accordingly, other sizing or design methods conforming to good engineering practice standards are acceptable alternatives to those presented herein.

SECTION AP102 INFORMATION REQUIRED

AP102.1 Preliminary. Obtain the necessary information regarding the minimum daily static service pressure in the area where the building is to be located. If the building supply is to be metered, obtain information regarding friction loss relative to the rate of flow for meters in the range of sizes likely to be used. Friction loss data can be obtained from most manufacturers of water meters.

AP102.2 Demand load.

AP102.2.1 Estimate the supply demand of the building main and the principal branches and risers of the system by totaling the corresponding demand from the applicable part of Table AP103.3(3).

AP102.2.2 Estimate continuous supply demands, in gallons per minute (gpm) (L/m) such as for lawn sprinklers and air conditioners, and add the sum to the total demand for fixtures. The result is the estimated supply demand for the building supply.

SECTION AP103 SELECTION OF PIPE SIZE

AP103.1 General. Decide from Table P2903.1 what is the desirable minimum residual pressure that should be main-

tained at the highest fixture in the supply system. If the highest group of fixtures contains flushometer valves, the pressure for the group should be not less than 103.4 kPa {15 pounds per square inch (psi)} flowing. For flush tank supplies, the available pressure should be not less than 55.2 kPa (8 psi) flowing, except blowout action fixtures shall not be less than 172.4 kPa (25 psi) flowing.

AP103.2 Pipe sizing.

AP103.2.1 Pipe sizes can be selected using the following procedure or by use of other design methods conforming to acceptable engineering practice that are *approved* by the *Local Authority*. The sizes selected shall not be less than the minimum required by this code.

AP103.2.2 Water pipe sizing procedures are based on a system of pressure requirements and losses, the sum of which shall not exceed the minimum pressure available at the supply source. These pressures are as follows:

1. Pressure required at fixture to produce required flow. See Sections P2903.1 of this code and Section 604.3 of the *Jamaica Plumbing Code*.
2. Static pressure loss or gain (due to head) is computed at 9.8 kPa/m (0.433 psi per foot) of elevation change.

Example: Assume that the highest fixture supply outlet is 6,100 mm (20 feet) above or below the supply source. This produces a static pressure differential of 59.8 kPa (8.66 psi) loss [6,100 mm by 9.8 kPa/m (20 feet by 0.433 psi per foot)].
3. Loss through water meter. The friction or pressure loss can be obtained from meter manufacturers.
4. Loss through taps in water main.
5. Loss through special devices, such as filters, softeners, backflow prevention devices and pressure regulators. These values shall be obtained from the manufacturer.
6. Loss through valves and fittings. Losses for these items are calculated by converting to the *equivalent length* of piping and adding to the total pipe length.
7. Loss caused by pipe friction can be calculated where the pipe size, pipe length and flow through the pipe are known. With these three items, the friction loss can be determined. For piping flow charts not

included, use manufacturers' tables and velocity recommendations.

supplying water for

Note: For all examples, the following metric conversions are applicable.

1 L/s = 2.1191 cubic foot per minute. 1 m² =

10.7643 square foot.

1 degree = 0.0175 rad.

1 kPa = 0.1450 pound per square inch. 1 mm =

0.03937 inch.

1 mm = 0.00328 foot.

1 L/m = 0.2642 gallon per minute.

AP103.3 Segmented loss method. The size of water service mains, branch mains and risers by the segmented loss method, shall be determined by knowing the water supply demand [L/m (gpm)], available water pressure [kPa (psi)] and friction loss caused by the water meter and *developed length* of pipe [m (feet)], including the *equivalent length* of fittings. This design procedure is based on the following parameters:

1. The calculated friction loss through each length of pipe.
2. A system of pressure losses, the sum of which shall not exceed the minimum pressure available at the street main or other source of supply.
3. Pipe sizing based on estimated peak demand, total pressure losses caused by difference in elevation, equipment, *developed length* and pressure required at the most remote fixture; loss through taps in water main; losses through fittings, filters, backflow prevention devices, valves and pipe friction.

Because of the variable conditions encountered in hydraulic design, it is impractical to specify definite and detailed rules for the sizing of the water piping system. Current sizing methods do not address the differences in the probability of use and flow characteristics of fixtures between types of occupancies. Creating an exact model of predicting the demand for a building is impossible and final studies assessing the impact of water conservation on demand are not yet complete. The following steps are necessary for the segmented loss method.

1. **Preliminary.** Obtain the necessary information regarding the minimum daily static service pressure in the area where the building is to be located. If the building supply is to be metered, obtain information regarding friction loss relative to the rate of flow for meters in the range of sizes to be used. Friction loss data can be obtained from manufacturers of water meters. Enough pressure shall be available to overcome all system losses caused by friction and elevation so that plumbing fixtures operate properly. Section 604.6 of the *Jamaica Plumbing Code* requires that the water distribution system be designed for the minimum pressure available taking into consideration pressure fluctuations. The lowest pressure shall be selected to guarantee a continuous, adequate supply of water. The lowest pressure in the public main usually occurs in the summer because of lawn sprinkling and

air-conditioning cooling towers. Future demands placed on the public main as a result of large growth or expansion should be considered. The available pressure will decrease as additional loads are placed on the public system.

2. **Demand load.** Estimate the supply demand of the building main and the principal branches and risers of the system by totaling the corresponding demand from the applicable part of Table AP103.3(3). When estimating peak demand, sizing methods typically use water supply fixture units (w.s.f.u.) [see Table AP103.3(2)]. This numerical factor measures the load-producing effect of a single plumbing fixture of a given kind. The use of fixture units can be applied to a single basic probability curve (or table), found in the various sizing methods [see Table AP103.3(3)]. The fixture units are then converted into a L/m (gpm) flow rate for estimating demand.

- a. Estimate continuous supply demand in L/m (gpm) such as for lawn sprinklers, air conditioners, etc., and add the sum to the total demand for fixtures. The result is the estimated supply demand for the building supply. Fixture units cannot be applied to constant-use fixtures, such as hose bibbs, lawn sprinklers and air conditioners. These types of fixtures shall be assigned the L/m (gpm) value.

3. **Selection of pipe size.** This water pipe sizing procedure is based on a system of pressure requirements and losses, the sum of which shall not exceed the minimum pressure available at the supply source. These pressures are as follows:

- a. Pressure required at the fixture to produce required flow. See Section P2903.1 of this code and Section 604.3 of the *Jamaica Plumbing Code*.
- b. Static pressure loss or gain (because of head) is computed at 9.8 kPa/m (0.433 psi per foot) of elevation change.
- c. Loss through a water meter. The friction or pressure loss can be obtained from the manufacturer.
- d. Loss through taps in water main [see Table AP103.3(4)].
- e. Loss through special devices, such as filters, softeners, backflow prevention devices and pressure regulators. These values shall be obtained from the manufacturers.
- f. Loss through valves and fittings [see Tables AP103.3(5) and AP103.3(6)]. Losses for these items are calculated by converting to the *equivalent length* of piping and adding to the total pipe length.
- g. Loss caused by pipe friction can be

calculated where the pipe size, pipe length and flow through the pipe are known. With these three items, the friction loss can be determined using Figures AP103.3(2) through AP103.3(7). Where

using charts, use pipe inside diameters. For piping flow charts not included, use manufacturers' tables and velocity recommendations. Before attempting to size any water supply system, it is necessary to gather preliminary information including available pressure, piping material, select design velocity, elevation differences and *developed length* to the most remote fixture. The water supply system is divided into sections at major changes in elevation or where branches lead to fixture groups. The peak demand shall be determined in each part of the hot and cold-water supply system. The expected flow through each section is determined in w.s.f.u. and converted to L/m (gpm) flow rate. Sizing methods require determination of the "most hydraulically remote" fixture to compute the pressure loss caused by pipe and fittings. The hydraulically remote fixture represents the most downstream fixture along the circuit of piping requiring the most available pressure to operate properly. Consideration shall be given to all pressure demands and losses, such as friction caused by pipe, fittings and equipment; elevation; and the residual pressure required by Table P2903.1. The two most common and frequent complaints about water supply system operation are lack of adequate pressure and noise.

tures and equipment. Column 2 provides the psi (kPa) to

Problem: What size Type L copper water pipe, service and distribution will be required to serve a two-story factory building having on each floor, back-to-back, two toilet rooms each equipped with hot and cold water? The highest fixture is 6,400 mm (21 feet) above the street main, which is tapped with a 51 mm (2-inch) corporation cock at which point the minimum pressure is 379.2 kPa (55 psi). In the building *basement*, a 51 mm (2-inch) meter with a pressure drop of not more than 75.84 kPa (11 psi) and 76 mm (3-inch) reduced pressure principle backflow preventer with a pressure drop of not more than 62 kPa (9 psi) are to be installed. The system is shown in Figure AP103.3(1). To be determined are the pipe sizes for the service main, and the cold and hot water distribution pipes.

Solution: A tabular arrangement such as shown in Table AP103.3(1) should first be constructed. The steps to be followed are indicated by the tabular arrangement itself as they are in sequence, Columns 1 through 10 and Lines A through L.

Step 1

Columns 1 and 2: Divide the system into sections breaking at major changes in elevation or where branches lead to fixture groups. After Point B [see Figure AP103.3(1)], separate consideration will be given to the hot and cold water piping. Enter the sections to be considered in the service and cold water piping in Column 1 of the tabular arrangement. Column 1 of Table AP103.3(1) provides a line-by-line, recommended tabular arrangement for use in solving pipe sizing.

The objective in designing the water supply system is to ensure an adequate water supply and pressure to all fix-

be considered separately from the minimum pressure available at the main. Losses to take into consideration are the following: the differences in elevations between the water supply source and the highest water supply outlet; meter pressure losses; the tap in main loss; special fixture devices, such as water softeners and backflow prevention devices; and the pressure required at the most remote fixture outlet.

The difference in elevation can result in an increase or decrease in available pressure at the main. Where the water supply outlet is located above the source, this results in a loss in the available pressure and is subtracted from the pressure at the water source. Where the highest water supply outlet is located below the water supply source, there will be an increase in pressure that is added to the available pressure of the water source.

Column 3: Using Table AP103.3(3), determine the L/m (gpm) of flow to be expected in each section of the system. These flows range from 108.26 to 408.82 L/m (28.6 to 108 gpm). Load values for fixtures shall be determined as w.s.f.u. and then converted to a L/m (gpm) rating to determine peak demand. Where calculating peak demands, the w.s.f.u. are added and then converted to the L/m (gpm) rating. For continuous flow fixtures, such as hose bibbs and lawn sprinkler systems, add the L/m (gpm) demand to the intermittent demand of fixtures. For example, a total of 120 w.s.f.u. is converted to a demand of 181.7 L/m (48 gpm). Two hose bibbs \times 18.927 L/m (5 gpm) demand = 37.854 L/m (10 gpm). Total L/m (gpm) rating = 181.7 (48.0 gpm) + 37.854 (10 gpm) = 219.554 L/m (58.0 gpm) demand.

Step 2

Line A: Enter the minimum pressure available at the main source of supply in Column 2. This is 379.2 kPa (55 psi). The local water authorities generally keep records of pressures at different times of the day and year. The available pressure can be checked from nearby buildings or from fire department hydrant checks.

Line B: Determine from Table P2903.1 the highest pressure required for the fixtures on the system, which is 103.4 kPa (15 psi), to operate a flushometer valve. The most remote fixture outlet is necessary to compute the pressure loss caused by pipe and fittings, as well as represents the most downstream fixture along the circuit of piping requiring the available pressure to operate properly as indicated by Table P2903.1.

Line C: Determine the pressure loss for the meter size given or assumed. The total water flow from the main through the service as determined in Step 1 will serve to aid in the meter selected. There are three common types of water meters; the pressure losses are determined by the American Water Works Association Standards for displacement type, compound type and turbine type. The maximum pressure loss of such devices takes into consideration the meter size, safe operating capacity [L/m (gpm)] and maximum rates for continuous operations [L/m (gpm)]. Typically, equipment imparts greater pressure losses than piping.

Line D: Select from Table AP103.3(4) and enter the pressure loss for the tap size given or assumed. The loss of

pressure through taps and tees in kPa (psi) is based on the total L/m (gpm) flow rate and size of the tap.

Line E: Determine the difference in elevation between the main and source of supply and the highest fixture on the system. Multiply this figure, expressed in millimetres (feet), by 2.965 kPa (0.43 psi). Enter the resulting kPa (psi) loss on Line E. The difference in elevation between the water supply source and the highest water supply outlet has a significant impact on the sizing of the water supply system. The difference in elevation usually results in a loss in the available pressure because the water supply outlet is generally located above the water supply source. The loss is caused by the pressure required to lift the water to the outlet. The pressure loss is subtracted from the pressure at the water source. Where the highest water supply outlet is located below the water source, there will be an increase in pressure that is added to the available pressure of the water source.

Lines F, G and H: The pressure losses through filters, backflow prevention devices or other special fixtures shall be obtained from the manufacturer or estimated and entered on these lines. Equipment, such as backflow prevention devices, check valves, water softeners, instantaneous, or tankless water heaters, filters and strainers, can impart a much greater pressure loss than the piping. The pressure losses can range from 55.16 to 206.84 kPa (8 to 30 psi).

Step 3

Line I: The sum of the pressure requirements and losses that affect the overall system (Lines B through H) is entered on this line. Summarizing the steps, all of the system losses are subtracted from the minimum water pressure. The remainder is the pressure available for friction, defined as the energy available to push the water through the pipes to each fixture. This force can be used as an average pressure loss, as long as the pressure available for friction is not exceeded. Saving a certain amount for available water supply pressures as an area incurs growth, or because of the aging of the pipe or equipment added to the system is recommended.

Step 4

Line J: Subtract Line I from Line A. This gives the pressure that remains available from overcoming friction losses in the system. This figure is a guide to the pipe size that is chosen for each section, incorporating the total friction losses to the most remote outlet (measured length is called *developed length*).

Exception: Where the main is above the highest fixture, the resulting kPa (psi) shall be considered a pressure gain (static head gain) and omitted from the sums of Lines B through H and added to Line J.

The maximum friction head loss that can be tolerated in the system during peak demand is the difference between the static pressure at the highest and most remote outlet at no-flow conditions and the minimum flow pressure required at that outlet. If the losses are within the required limits, every run of pipe will be within the required friction head loss. Static pressure loss is at the most remote

outlet in millimetres $\times 19.142 =$ kPa (feet $\times 0.433 =$ loss in psi) caused by elevation differences.

Step 5

Column 4: Enter the length of each section from the main to the most remote outlet (at Point E). Divide the water supply system into sections breaking at major changes in elevation or where branches lead to fixture groups.

Step 6

Column 5: Where selecting a trial pipe size, the length from the water service or meter to the most remote fixture outlet shall be measured to determine the *developed length*. However, in systems having a flushometer valve or temperature-controlled shower at the topmost floors, the *developed length* would be from the water meter to the most remote flushometer valve on the system. A rule of thumb is that size will become progressively smaller as the system extends farther from the main source of supply. A trial pipe size can be arrived at by the following formula:

Line J: Pressure available to overcome pipe friction in kPa $\times 30,480 / (\text{equivalent length of run total developed length to most remote fixture in mm} \times \text{percentage factor of 1.5})$ [Pressure available to overcome pipe friction in psi $\times 100 / (\text{equivalent length of run total developed length to most remote fixture in feet} \times \text{percentage factor of 1.5})$] (Note: a percentage factor is used only as an estimate for friction losses imposed for fittings for initial trial pipe size) = kPa (average pressure drop per 30,500 millimetre of pipe) [= psi (average pressure drop per 100 feet of pipe).

For trial pipe size, see Figure AP103.3(3) (Type L copper) based on 19.10 kPa and 408.82 L/m = 63.5 mm [2.77 psi and 108 gpm = 2 1/2 inches]. To determine the *equivalent length* of run to the most remote outlet, the *developed length* is determined and added to the friction losses for fittings and valves. The *developed lengths* of the designated pipe sections are as follows:

A-B	16,460 mm (54 feet)
B-C	2,439 mm (8 feet)
C-D	3,963 mm (13 feet)
D-E	45,720 mm (150 feet)

Total *developed length* = 68,582 mm (225 feet)

The *equivalent length* of the friction loss in fittings and valves shall be added to the *developed length* (most remote outlet). Where the size of fittings and valves is not known, the added friction loss should be approximated. A general rule that has been used is to add 50 percent of the *developed length* to allow for fittings and valves. For example, the *equivalent length* of run equals the *developed length* of run [68,582 mm $\times 1.5 = 102,873$ mm (225 feet $\times 1.5 = 338$ feet)]. The total *equivalent length* of run for determining a trial pipe size is 102,873 mm (338 feet).

Example:

For SI:

64.5 kPa (pressure available to overcome pipe friction) $\times 30,500 / 102,873$ (*equivalent length* of run = 68,582 $\times 1.5$) = 19.1 kPa (average pressure drop per 30,500 mm of pipe).

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9.36 (pressure available to overcome pipe friction) $\times 100/338$ (*equivalent length* of run = 225×1.5) = 2.77 psi (average pressure drop per 100 feet of pipe).

Step 7

Column 6: Select from Table AP103.3(6) the *equivalent lengths* for the trial pipe size of fittings and valves on each pipe section. Enter the sum for each section in Column 6. (The number of fittings to be used in this example shall be an estimate). The *equivalent length* of piping is the *devel-*

oped length plus the equivalent lengths of pipe corresponding to the friction head losses for fittings and valves. Where the size of fittings and valves is not known, the added friction head losses shall be approximated. An estimate for this example is found in Table AP.1.

Step 8

Column 7: Add the figures from Columns 4 and 6, and enter in Column 7. Express the sum in thousands of millimetres (hundreds of feet).

Step 9

Column 8: Select from Figure AP103.3(3) the friction loss per 30,500 mm (100 feet) of pipe for the L/m (gpm) flow in a section (Column 3) and trial pipe size (Column 5). Maximum friction head loss per 30,500 mm (100 feet) is determined on the basis of the total pressure available for friction head loss and the longest equivalent length of run. The selection is based on the L/m (gpm) demand, uniform friction head loss and maximum design velocity. Where the size indicated by the hydraulic table indicates a velocity in excess of the selected velocity, a size shall be selected that produces the required velocity.

Step 10

Column 9: Multiply the figures in Columns 7 and 8 for each section and enter in Column 9.

Total friction loss is determined by multiplying the friction loss per 30,500 mm (100 feet) for each pipe section in the total developed length by the pressure loss in fittings expressed as equivalent length in millimetres (feet). Note: Section C-F should be considered in the total pipe friction losses only if greater loss occurs in Section C-F than in pipe Section D-E. Section C-F is not considered in the total developed length. Total friction loss in equivalent length is determined in Table AP.2.

Step 11

Line K: Enter the sum of the values in Column 9. The value is the total friction loss in equivalent length for each designated pipe section.

Step 12

Line L: Subtract Line J from Line K and enter in Column 10.

The result should always be a positive or plus figure. If it is not, repeat the operation using Columns 5, 6, 8 and 9 until a balance or near balance is obtained. If the difference between Lines J and K is a high positive number, it is an indication that the pipe sizes are too large and should be reduced, thus saving materials. In such a case, the operations using Columns 5, 6, 8 and 9 should be repeated.

The total friction losses are determined and subtracted from the pressure available to overcome pipe friction for the trial pipe size. This number is critical because it provides a guide to whether the pipe size selected is too large and the process should be repeated to obtain an economically designed system.

Answer: The final figures entered in Column 5 become the design pipe size for the respective sections. Repeating this operation a second time using the same sketch but considering the demand for hot water, it is possible to size the hot water distribution piping. This has been worked up as a part of the overall problem in the tabular arrangement used for sizing the service and water distribution piping. Note that consideration shall be given to the pressure losses from the street main to the water heater (Section A-B) in determining the hot water pipe sizes.

TABLE AP.1

COLD WATER PIPE SECTION	FITTINGS/VALVES	PRESSURE LOSS EXPRESSED AS EQUIVALENT LENGTH OF TUBE (mm)	HOT WATER PIPE SECTION	FITTINGS/VALVES	PRESSURE LOSS EXPRESSED AS EQUIVALENT OF TUBE (mm)
A-B	76 – 64 mm Gate valves	914.4	A-B	76 – 64 mm Gate valves	914.3
	25 – 64 mm Side branch tee	3,657.6	—	25 – 64 Side branch tee	3,657.6
B-C	25 – 64 mm Straight run tee	152.4	B-C	25 – 51 Straight run tee	2,133.6
	—	—	—	25 – 31 90-degree ell	152.4
C-F	25 – 64 mm Side branch tee	3,657.6	C-F	25 – 38 mm Side branch tee	2,133.6
C-D	25 – 64 mm 90-degree ell	2,133.6	C-D	25 – 12.7 mm 90-degree ell	1,217.2
D-E	25 – 64 mm Side branch tee	3,657.6	D-E	1 – 1½" Side branch tee	2,133.6

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 degree = 0.01745 rad.

TABLE AP.2

PIPE SECTIONS	FRICTION LOSS EQUIVALENT LENGTH (millimetres)	
	Cold Water	Hot Water
A-B	210.312 × 975.36 = 673.608	210.312 × 975.36 = 673.608
B-C	25.908 × 944.88 = 79.248	48.768 × 426.72 = 67.056
C-D	60.96 × 579.12 = 115.824	51.816 × 975.36 = 164.592
D-E	493.776 × 579.12 = 3.08	478.536 × 975.36 = 1,530.096

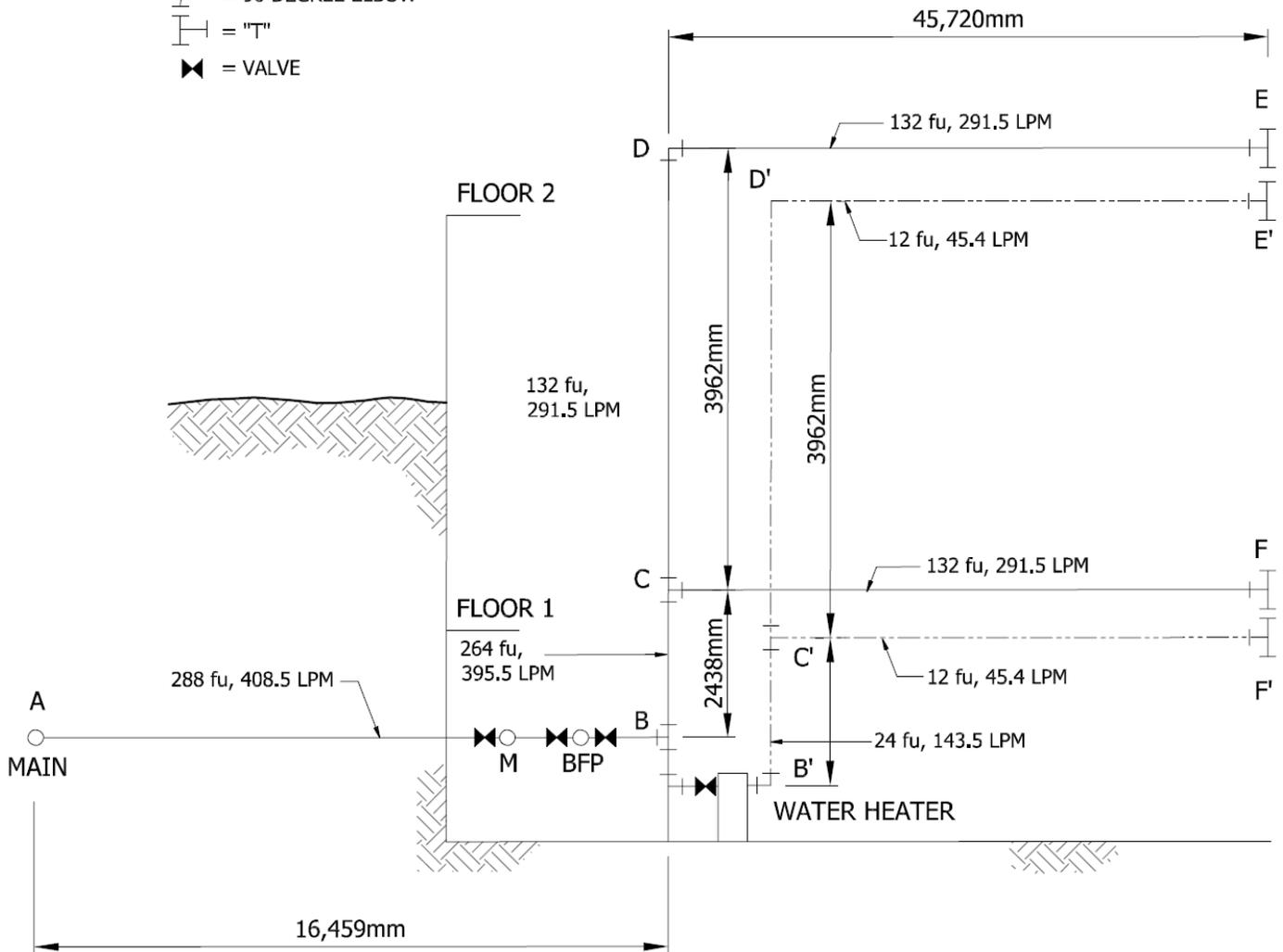
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Total pipe friction losses (Line K)	1,807.464	2,435.352
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For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.00328 foot.m

HOT WATER
COLD WATER
M= METER
BFP = BACKFLOW PREVENTER

 = 90 DEGREE ELBOW
 = "T"
 = VALVE



For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm= 0.00328 foot, 1 L/m = 0.2642 gallon per minute.

FIGURE AP103.3(1)
EXAMPLE—SIZING

**TABLE AP103.3(1)
RECOMMENDED TABULAR ARRANGEMENT FOR USE IN SOLVING PIPE SIZING PROBLEMS**

COLUMN	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
Line	Description		Pressure in Kilopascals	Litres per min through section	Length of section (mm)	Trial pipe size (mm)	Equivalent length of fittings and valves (millimetres)	Total equivalent length [(Col. 4 + Col. 6)/100 millimetres]	Friction loss per 30,500 millimetres of trial size pipe (kiloPascals)	Friction loss in equivalent length Column 8 x Column 7 (kiloPascals)	Excess pressure over friction losses (kiloPascals)
A	Service and cold water distribution piping ^a	Minimum pressure available at main.....	379.23								
B		Highest pressure required at a fixture (see Table P2903.1).....	103.43								
C		Meter loss 51 mm meter.....	75.85								
D		Tap in main loss 51 mm tap [see Table AP103.3(4)]...11.10									
E		Static head loss 6.401 m x 9.73 kPa/m.....	62.26								
F		Special fixture loss backflow preventer	62.06	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
G		Special fixture loss—Filter.....	0.00								
H		Special fixture loss—Other.....	0.00								
I		Total overall losses and requirements (Sum of Lines B through H).....	314.69								
J		Pressure available to overcome pipe friction (Line A minus Line I)	64.54								
	Pipe section (from diagram) cold water distribution piping	A-B	1,985.76	408.78	16,460	64	4,572.0	210.3	22.1	15.2	—
		B-C.....	1,820.28	395.53	2,439	64	152.4	25.9	21.4	1.8	—
		C-D	910.14	291.45	3,963	64	2,134.0	61.0	13.1	2.6	—
		C-F ^b	910.14	291.45	45,726	64	3,658.0	493.8	13.1	21.2	—
		D-E ^b	910.14	291.45	45,726	64	3,658.0	493.8	13.1	21.2	—
K	Total pipe friction losses (cold)			—	—	—	—	—	—	40.9	—
L	Difference (Line J minus Line K)			—	—	—	—	—	—	—	23.6
	Pipe section (from diagram) Hot water Distribution Piping	A'B'□288	198.78	16,460	64	3,658.0	210.3	22.8	15.2	—	
		B'C'□24	143.83	2,439	51	2,286.0	48.8	9.7	1.5	—	
		C'D'□12	108.25	3,963	38	1,220.0	51.8	22.1	3.7	—	
		C'F' ^b	82.74	108.25	45,726	38	2,134.0	478.5	22.1	34.6	—
		D'E' ^b	82.74	108.25	45,726	38	2,134.0	478.5	22.1	34.6	—
K	Total pipe friction losses (hot) Difference			—	—	—	—	—	—	55.1	—
L	(Line J minus Line K)			—	—	—	—	—	—	—	9.4

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 kPa = 0.145 pound per square inch, 1 L/m = 0.264 gallon per minute.

1. To be considered as pressure gain for fixtures below main (to consider separately, omit from "I" and add to "J").
2. To consider separately, in Line K use Section C-F only if greater loss than the loss in Section D-E.

**TABLE AP103.3(2)
LOAD VALUES ASSIGNED TO FIXTURES^a**

FIXTURE	OCCUPANCY	TYPE OF SUPPLY CONTROL	LOAD VALUES, IN WATER SUPPLY FIXTURE UNITS (w.s.f.u.)		
			Cold	Hot	Total
Bathroom group	Private	Flush tank	2.7	1.5	3.6
Bathroom group	Private	Flushometer valve	6.0	3.0	8.0
Bathtub	Private	Faucet	1.0	1.0	1.4
Bathtub	Public	Faucet	3.0	3.0	4.0
Bidet	Private	Faucet	1.5	1.5	2.0
Combination fixture	Private	Faucet	2.25	2.25	3.0
Dishwashing machine	Private	Automatic	—	1.4	1.4
Drinking fountain	Offices, etc.	10 mm valve	0.25	—	0.25
Kitchen sink	Private	Faucet	1.0	1.0	1.4
Kitchen sink	Hotel, restaurant	Faucet	3.0	3.0	4.0
Laundry trays (1 to 3)	Private	Faucet	1.0	1.0	1.4
Lavatory	Private	Faucet	0.5	0.5	0.7
Lavatory	Public	Faucet	1.5	1.5	2.0
Service sink	Offices, etc.	Faucet	2.25	2.25	3.0
Shower head	Public	Mixing valve	3.0	3.0	4.0
Shower head	Private	Mixing valve	1.0	1.0	1.4
Urinal	Public	25 mm flushometer valve	10.0	—	10.0
Urinal	Public	19 mm flushometer valve	5.0	—	5.0
Urinal	Public	Flush tank	3.0	—	3.0
Washing machine (3.63 kg)	Private	Automatic	1.0	1.0	1.4
Washing machine (3.63 kg)	Public	Automatic	2.25	2.25	3.0
Washing machine (6.81 kg)	Public	Automatic	3.0	3.0	4.0
Water closet	Private	Flushometer valve	6.0	—	6.0
Water closet	Private	Flush tank	2.2	—	2.2
Water closet	Public	Flushometer valve	10.0	—	10.0
Water closet	Public	Flush tank	5.0	—	5.0
Water closet	Public or private	Flushometer tank	2.0	—	2.0

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 kg = 2.203 pounds.

- a. For fixtures not listed, loads should be assumed by comparing the fixture to one listed using water in similar quantities and at similar rates. The assigned loads for fixtures with both hot and cold water supplies are given for separate hot and cold water loads, and for total load. The separate hot and cold water loads are three-fourths of the total load for the fixture in each case.

TABLE AP103.3(3)
TABLE FOR ESTIMATING DEMAND

SUPPLY SYSTEMS PREDOMINANTLY FOR FLUSH TANKS			SUPPLY SYSTEMS PREDOMINANTLY FOR FLUSHOMETERS		
Load	Demand		Load	Demand	
(w.s.f.u.)	(L/m)	(m ³ /s)	(w.s.f.u.)	(L/m)	(m ³ /s)
1	11.4	0.0000193298	—	—	—
2	18.9	0.0000322164	—	—	—
3	24.6	0.000409261	—	—	—
4	30.3	0.000503706	—	—	—
5	35.6	0.000591855	5	56.775	0.000944449
6	40.5	0.000673707	6	65.859	0.001095561
7	44.7	0.000742967	7	74.943	0.001246437
8	48.4	0.00080593	8	84.027	0.001397785
9	51.9	0.000862597	9	93.111	0.001548897
10	55.3	0.000919264	10	102.195	0.001700009
11	58.3	0.000969635	11	105.223	0.001750379
12	60.6	0.001007412	12	108.251	0.00180075
13	62.5	0.001038894	13	111.279	0.00185112
14	64.3	0.001070376	14	114.307	0.001901491
15	66.2	0.001101857	15	117.335	0.001951862
16	68.1	0.001368839	16	120.363	0.001997522
17	69.6	0.001158524	17	123.391	0.002052603
18	71.2	0.00118371	18	126.419	0.002102974
19	72.7	0.001208895	19	129.447	0.002153344
20	74.2	0.00123408	20	132.475	0.002203715
25	81.4	0.001353711	25	143.83	0.002392605
30	88.2	0.001467044	30	158.97	0.002643987
35	94.2	0.001567786	35	166.54	0.002770384
40	99.5	0.001655934	40	174.11	0.002896311
45	104.8	0.001744083	45	181.68	0.003022237
50	110.1	0.001832231	50	189.25	0.003148164
60	121.1	0.002014825	60	204.39	0.003400017
70	132.5	0.002203715	70	219.53	0.00365187
80	143.8	0.002392605	80	231.642	0.003853353
90	155.2	0.002581494	90	243.3755	0.004048539
100	164.6	0.002738903	100	255.4875	0.004250021
120	181.7	0.003022237	120	276.305	0.004596319
140	198.7	0.003305572	140	291.445	0.004848173
160	215.7	0.003588907	160	306.585	0.005100026
180	230.9	0.00384076	180	323.6175	0.00538336
200	246.0	0.004092613	200	340.65	0.005666695
225	265.0	0.00440743	225	361.4675	0.006012993

(continued)

**TABLE AP103.3(3)—continued
TABLE FOR ESTIMATING DEMAND**

SUPPLY SYSTEMS PREDOMINANTLY FOR FLUSH TANKS			SUPPLY SYSTEMS PREDOMINANTLY FOR FLUSHOMETERS		
Load	Demand		Load	Demand	
(w.s.f.u.)	(L/m)	(m ³ /s)	(w.s.f.u.)	(L/m)	(m ³ /s)
250	283.875	0.004722246	250	382.285	0.006359291
275	302.8	0.005037062	275	395.5325	0.006579663
300	321.725	0.005351879	300	408.78	0.006800034
400	397.425	0.006611144	400	480.695	0.007996337
500	469.34	0.007807447	500	541.255	0.009003749
750	643.45	0.010703758	750	669.945	0.011144501
1,000	787.28	0.013096362	1,000	787.28	0.013096362
1,250	904.615	0.015048224	1,250	904.615	0.015048224
1,500	1018.165	0.016937122	1,500	1018.165	0.016937122
1,750	1124.145	0.018700094	1,750	1124.145	0.018700094
2,000	1230.125	0.020463066	2,000	1230.125	0.020463066
2,500	1438.3	0.023926046	2,500	1438.3	0.023926046
3,000	1638.905	0.0272631	3,000	1638.905	0.0272631
4,000	2024.975	0.033055722	4,000	1987.125	0.033055722
5,000	2244.505	0.037337225	5,000	2244.505	0.037337225

For Inch Pound Units: 1 L/m = 0.2642 gallon per minute, 1 m³/s = 2,123.14 cubic foot per minute.

**TABLE AP103.3(4)
LOSS OF PRESSURE THROUGH TAPS AND TEES IN KILOPASCALS (kPa)**

LITRES PER MINUTE	SIZE OF TAP OR TEE (millimetres)						
	10 mm	19 mm	25 mm	32 mm	38 mm	51 mm	76 mm
37.8	34.29	16.256	4.572	2.032	—	—	—
75.7	136.652	64.516	19.558	7.874	3.556	—	—
113.5	307.34	145.288	41.148	17.526	8.382	2.54	—
151.4	—	259.08	77.978	31.242	14.732	4.572	—
189.3	—	403.86	114.046	48.768	23.114	7.112	—
227.1	—	—	164.084	70.104	33.274	10.16	—
265.0	—	—	223.266	95.504	45.212	13.97	2.54
302.8	—	—	292.1	124.46	58.928	18.288	3.302
340.7	—	—	368.3	157.734	74.676	23.114	4.064
378.5	—	—	455.676	194.818	92.202	28.448	5.334
454.2	—	—	655.32	279.4	132.842	40.894	7.62
529.9	—	—	894.08	381	180.848	55.88	10.414
567.8	—	—	—	436.88	207.264	64.008	11.938
605.6	—	—	—	497.84	236.22	74.168	13.716
681.3	—	—	—	629.92	299.72	91.948	17.272
757.0	—	—	—	779.78	368.3	113.792	21.336
851.6	—	—	—	985.52	467.36	142.24	26.924

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946.3	—	—	—	1216.66	576.58	177.8	33.274
1040.9	—	—	—	—	695.96	195.58	40.386
1135.5	—	—	—	—	828.04	256.54	47.752

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 kPa = 0.145 pound per square inch, 1 L/m = 0.2642 gallon per minute.

TABLE AP103.3(5)
ALLOWANCE IN EQUIVALENT LENGTHS OF PIPE FOR FRICTION LOSS IN VALVES AND THREADED FITTINGS (millimetres)

FITTING OR VALVE	PIPE SIZE (millimetres)							
	12.5 mm	19 mm	25 mm	32 mm	38 mm	51 mm	64 mm	76 mm
45-degree elbow	366	458	550	732	915	1,220	1,525	1,830
90-degree elbow	610	762	915	1,220	1,525	2,134	2,440	3,050
Tee, run	183	244	275	366	458	610	762	915
Tee, branch	915	1,220	1,525	1,830	2,134	3,050	3,660	4,572
Gate valve	10.16	152	183	244	305	396	488	610
Balancing valve	20.32	335	458	580	671	915	1,128	1,372
Plug-type cock	20.32	335	458	580	671	915	1,128	1,372
Check valve, swing	142.24	2,560	3,414	4,267	5,121	5,121	8,535	10,242
Globe valve	381	6,100	7,620	10,668	13,716	16,764	19,812	24,384
Angle valve	203.2	3,660	4,572	5,486	6,706	8,535	10,364	12,192

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 degree = 0.0175 rad.

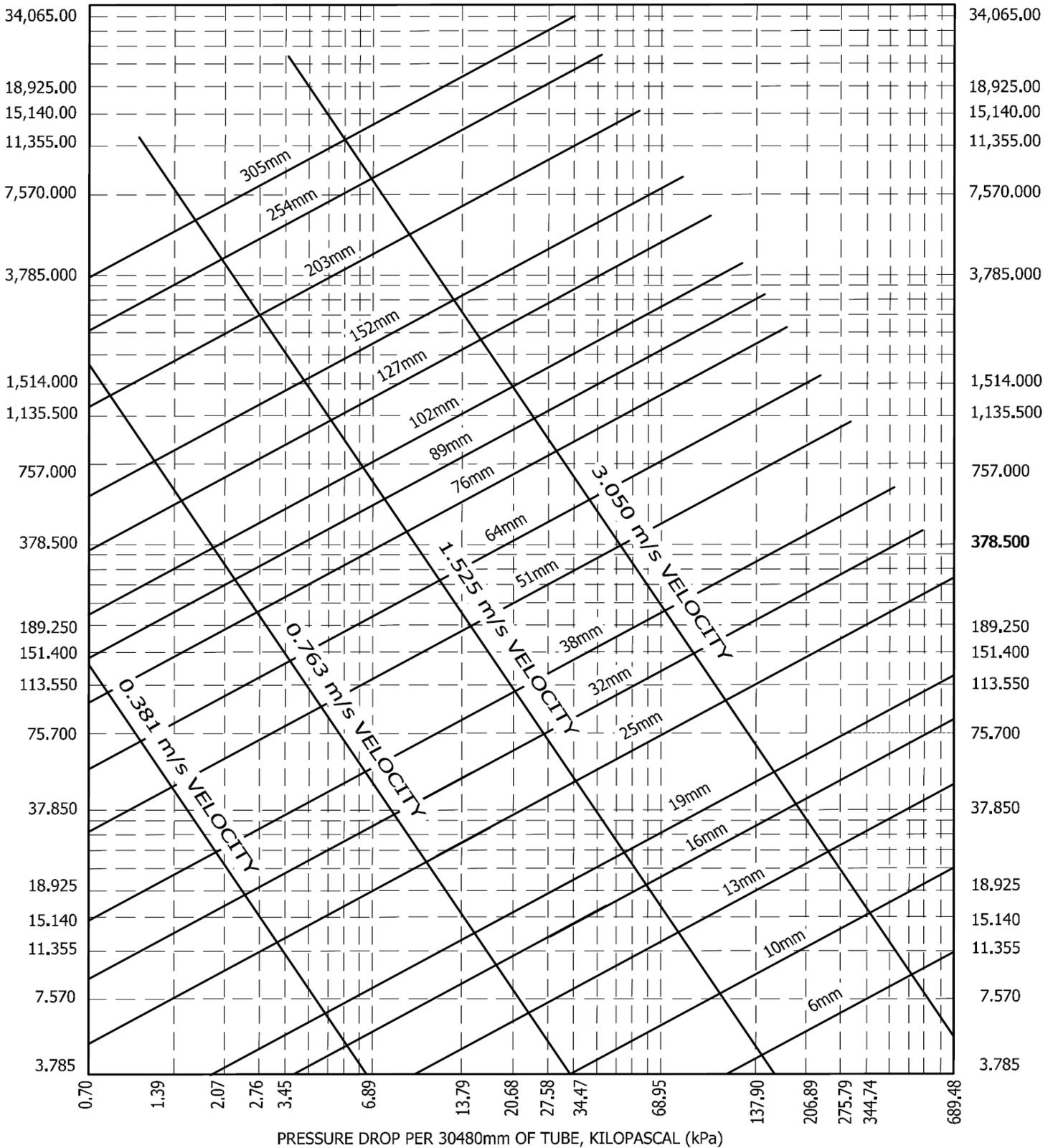
TABLE AP103.3(6)
PRESSURE LOSS IN FITTINGS AND VALVES EXPRESSED AS EQUIVALENT LENGTH OF TUBE^a (millimetres)

NOMINAL OR STANDARD SIZE (mm)	FITTINGS				Coupling	VALVES			
	Standard Ell		90-degree Tee			Ball	Gate	Butterfly	Check
	90 Degree	45 Degree	Side Branch	Straight Run					
10	152	—	455	—	—	—	—	—	455
12.5	305	152	610	—	—	—	—	—	610
16	458	152	610	—	—	—	—	—	762
19	610	152	915	—	—	—	—	—	915
25	762	305	1,372	—	—	152	—	—	1,372
32	915	305	1,677	152	152	152	—	—	1,677
38	1,220	455	2,134	152	152	152	—	—	1,982
51	1,676	610	2,744	152	152	152	152	2,286	2,744
64	2,134	762	3,660	152	152	—	305	3,050	3,505
76	2,744	1,067	4,572	305	305	—	455	4,725	4,420
89	2,744	1,067	4,268	305	305	—	610	—	3,810
100	3,810	1,524	6,400	305	305	—	610	4,877	5,639
125	4,877	1,830	8,230	455	455	—	915	3,505	7,163
150	5,792	2,134	10,364	610	610	—	1,067	4,115	8,078
205	8,840	3,353	15,240	915	915	—	1,524	3,810	11,888

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 degree = 0.01745 rad.

- i. Allowances are for streamlined soldered fittings and recessed threaded fittings. For threaded fittings, double the allowances shown in the table. The equivalent lengths presented in the table are based on a C factor of 150 in the Hazen-Williams friction loss formula. The lengths shown are rounded to the nearest millimeter.

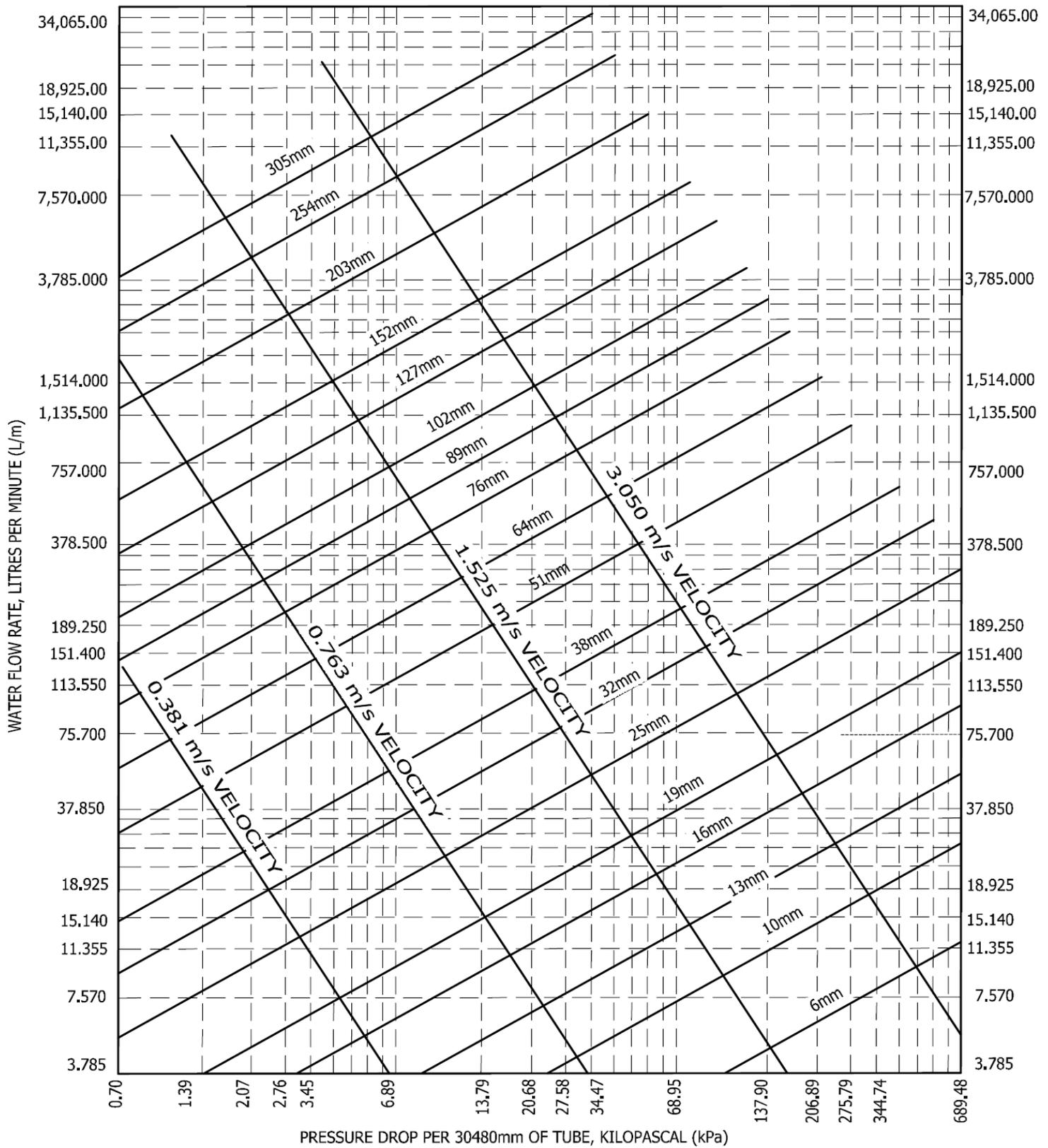
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ote: Fluid velocities in excess of 1.525 to 3 to 2.44 m/s (5 to 8 feet per second) are not usually recommended.
 For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 L/m = 0.2642 gallon per minute, 1 kPa = 0.145 pound per square inch, 1 m/s = 3.2787 foot per second.

1. This figure applies to smooth new copper tubing with recessed (streamline) soldered joints and to the actual sizes of types indicated on the diagram.

FIGURE AP103.3(2)
FRICTION LOSS IN SMOOTH PIPE^a
(TYPE K, ASTM B88 COPPER TUBING)



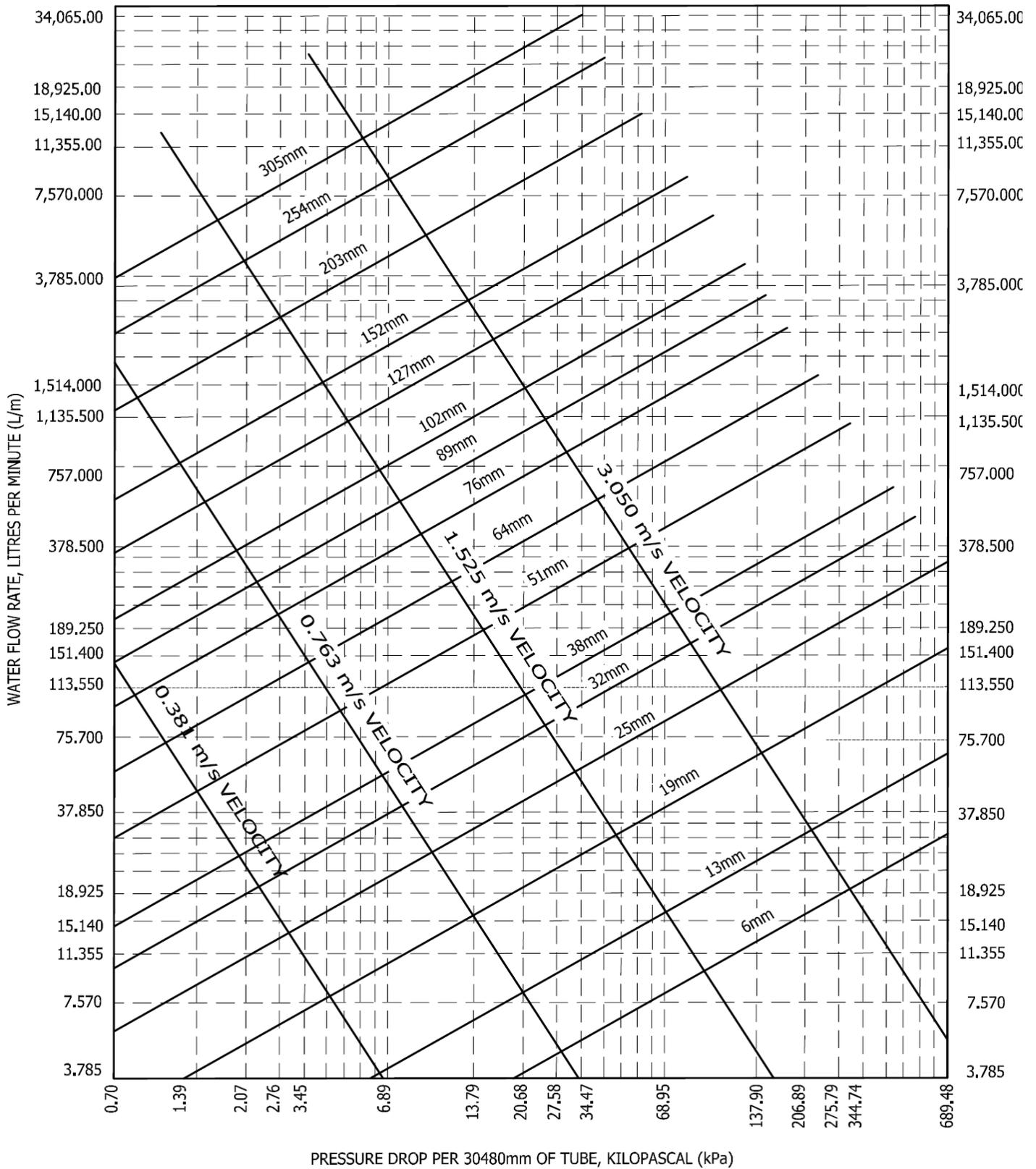
Note: Fluid velocities in excess of 1.525 to 3 to 2.44 m/s (5 to 8 feet per second) are not usually recommended.

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 L/m = 0.2642 gallon per minute, 1 kPa = 0.145 pound per square inch, 1 m/s = 3.2787 foot per second.

a. This figure applies to smooth new copper tubing with recessed (streamline) soldered joints and to the actual sizes of types indicated on the diagram..

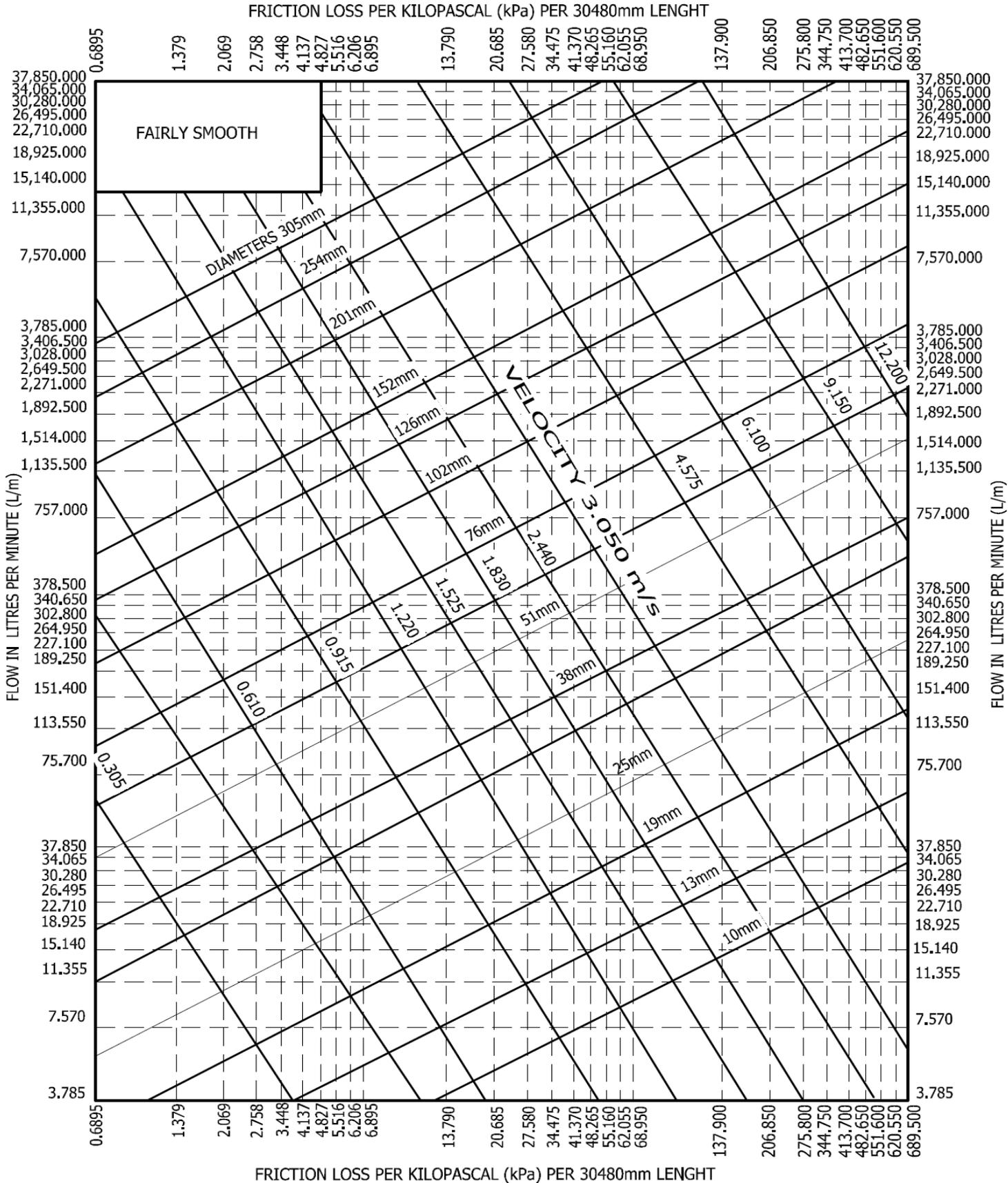
FIGURE AP103.3(3)
FRICITION LOSS IN SMOOTH PIPE^a
(TYPE L, ASTM B88 COPPER TUBING)

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Note: Fluid velocities in excess of 1.525 to 3 to 2.44 m/s (5 to 8 feet per second) are not usually recommended.
 For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 L/m = 0.2642 gallon per minute, 1 kPa = 0.145 pound per square inch, 1 m/s = 3.2787 foot per second.
 f. This figure applies to smooth new copper tubing with recessed (streamline) soldered joints and to the actual sizes of types indicated on the diagram.

**FIGURE AP103.3(4)
 FRICTION LOSS IN SMOOTH PIPE^a
 (TYPE M, ASTM B88 COPPER TUBING)**

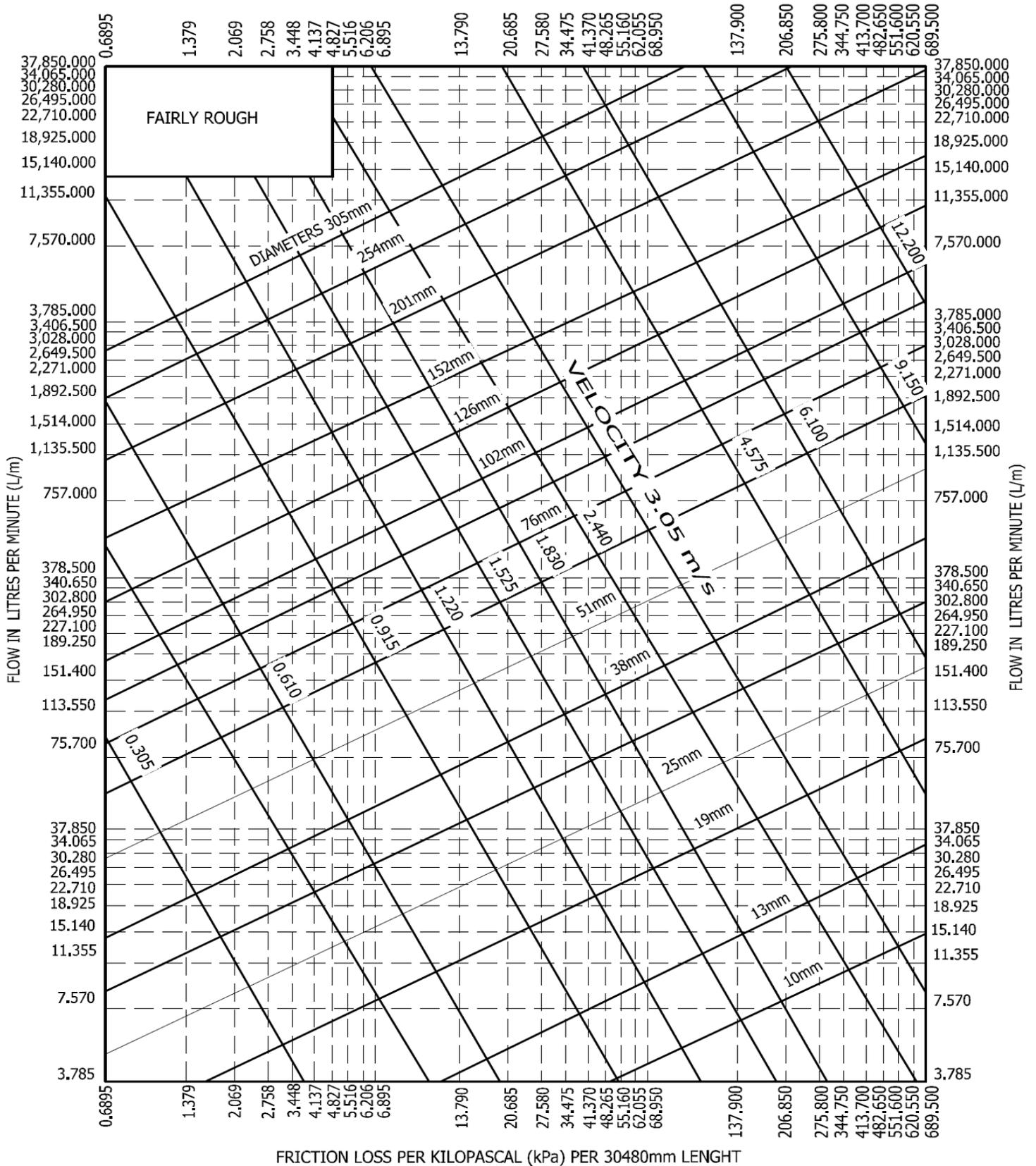


For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 L/m = 0.2642 gallon per minute, 1 pound per square inch = 6.895 kPa, 1 m/s = 3.279 foot per second.

a. This figure applies to smooth new steel (fairly smooth) pipe and to actual diameters of standard-weight pipe.

FIGURE AP103.3(5)
FRICTION LOSS IN FAIRLY SMOOTH PIPE^a

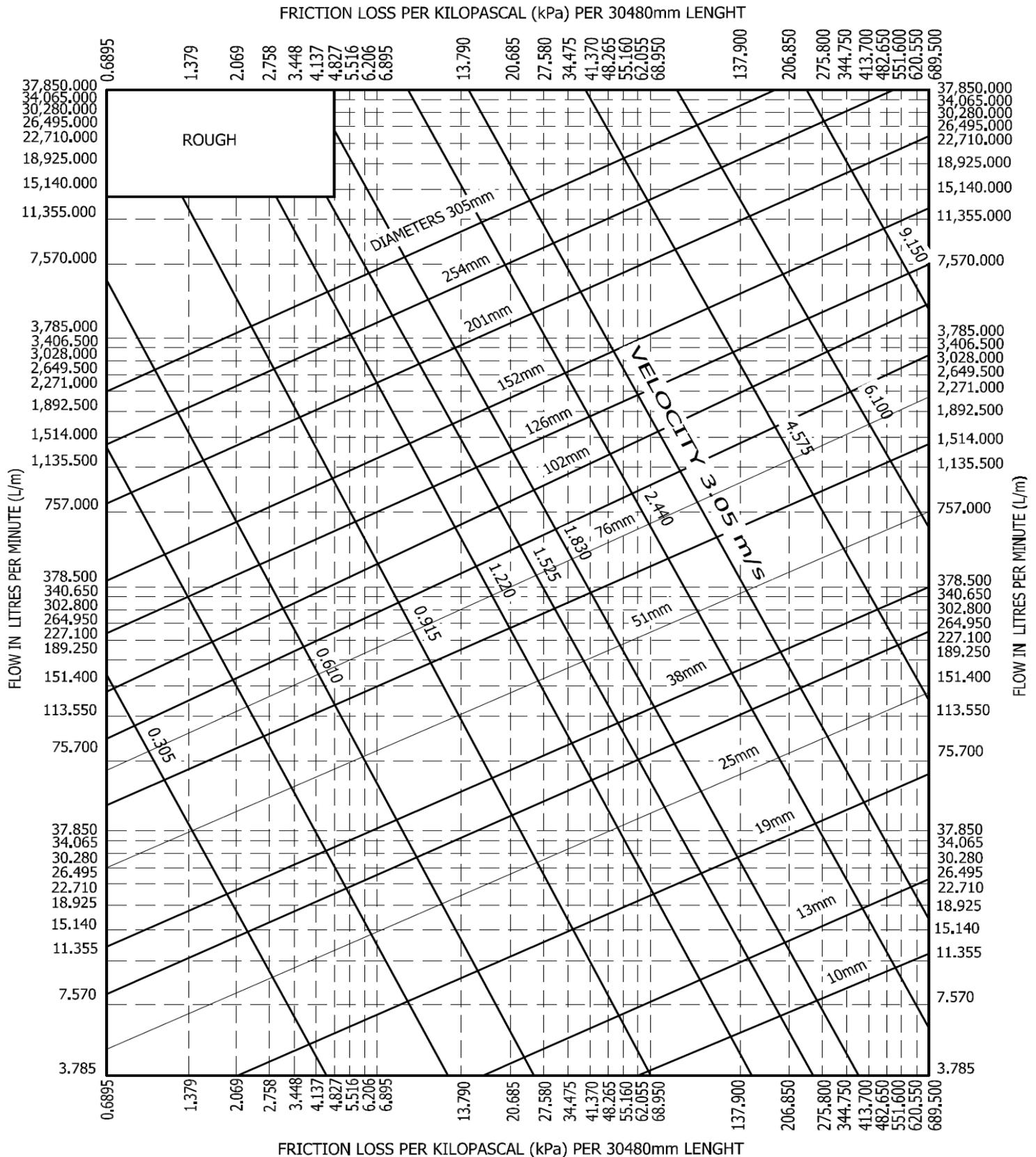
FRICITION LOSS PER KILOPASCAL (kPa) PER 30480mm LENGHT



For Inch Pound Unit: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 L/m = 0.2642 gallon per minute, 1 kPa = 0.145 pound per square inch, 1 m/s = 3.279 foot per second.

a) This figure applies to fairly rough pipe and to actual diameters, which, in general, will be less than the actual diameters of the new pipe of the same kind.

FIGURE AP103.3(6)
FRICITION LOSS IN FAIRLY ROUGH PIPE^a



For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 L/m = 0.2642 gallon per minute, 1 kPa = 0.145 pound per square inch, 1 m/s = 3.279 foot per second.

a. This figure applies to very rough pipe and existing pipe, and to their actual diameters.

FIGURE AP103.3(7)
FRICTION LOSS IN ROUGH PIPE^a

SECTION AP201 SELECTION OF PIPE SIZE

AP201.1 Size of water-service mains, branch mains and risers. The minimum size water service pipe shall be 19 mm ($\frac{3}{4}$ inch). The size of water service mains, branch mains and risers shall be determined according to water supply demand [L/m (gpm)], available water pressure [kPa (psi)] and friction loss caused by the water meter and *developed length* of pipe [meter (feet)], including the *equivalent length* of fittings. The size of each water distribution system shall be determined according to the procedure outlined in this section or by other design methods conforming to acceptable engineering practice and *approved* by the *Local Authority*:

- a) Supply load in the building water distribution system shall be determined by the total load on the pipe being sized, in terms of w.s.f.u., as shown in Table AP103.3(2). For fixtures not listed, choose a w.s.f.u. value of a fixture with similar flow characteristics.
- b) Obtain the minimum daily static service pressure [kPa (psi)] available (as determined by the local water authority) at the water meter or other source of supply at the installation location. Adjust this minimum daily static pressure [kPa (psi)] for the following conditions:
 - a. Determine the difference in elevation between the source of supply and the highest water supply outlet. Where the highest water supply outlet is located above the source of supply, deduct 3.4 kPa (0.5 psi) for each 0.3 m (foot) of difference in elevation. Where the highest water supply outlet is located below the source of supply, add 3.4 kPa (0.5 psi) for each 0.3 m (foot) of difference in elevation.
 - b. Where a water pressure-reducing valve is installed in the water distribution system, the minimum daily static water pressure available is 80 percent of the minimum daily static water pressure at the source of supply or the set pressure downstream of the water pressure-reducing valve, whichever is smaller.
 - c. Deduct all pressure losses caused by special equipment, such as a backflow preventer, water filter and water softener. Pressure loss data for each piece of equipment shall be obtained through the manufacturer of the device.
 - d. Deduct the pressure in excess of 55 kPa (8 psi) resulting from the installation of the special plumbing fixture, such as temperature-controlled shower and flushometer tank water closet. Using the resulting minimum available pressure, find the corresponding pressure range in Table AP201.1.
- c) The maximum *developed length* for water piping is the actual length of pipe between the source of supply and the most remote fixture, including either hot (through the water heater) or cold water branches multiplied by a

factor of 1.2 to compensate for pressure loss through fittings. Select the appropriate column in Table AP201.1 equal to or greater than the calculated maximum *developed length*.

- d) To determine the size of the water service pipe, meter and main distribution pipe to the building using the appropriate table, follow down the selected “maximum *developed length*” column to a fixture unit equal to or greater than the total installation demand calculated by using the “combined” w.s.f.u. column of Table AP201.1. Read the water service pipe and meter sizes in the first left-hand column and the main distribution pipe to the building in the second left-hand column on the same row.
- e) To determine the size of each water distribution pipe, start at the most remote outlet on each branch (either hot or cold branch) and, working back toward the main distribution pipe to the building, add up the w.s.f.u. demand passing through each segment of the distribution system using the related hot or cold column of Table AP201.1. Knowing demand, the size of each segment shall be read from the second left-hand column of the same table and the maximum *developed length* column selected in Steps 1 and 2, under the same or next smaller size meter row. The size of any branch or main need never be larger than the size of the main distribution pipe to the building established in Step 4.

TABLE AP201.1
MINIMUM SIZE OF WATER METERS, MAINS AND DISTRIBUTION PIPING BASED ON WATER SUPPLY FIXTURE UNIT VALUES (w.s.f.u.)

METER AND SERVICE PIPE (millimetres)	DISTRIBUTION PIPE (millimetres)	MAXIMUM DEVELOPMENT LENGTH (millimetres)										
		12,192	18,288	24,384	30,480	45,720	60,960	76,200	91,440	121,920	152,400	
Pressure Range 207 to 269 kPa												
19	12.5 ^a	2.5	2	1.5	1.5	1	1	0.5	0.5	0	0	
19	19	9.5	7.5	6	5.5	4	3.5	3	2.5	2	1.5	
19	25	32	25	20	16.5	11	9	7.8	6.5	5.5	4.5	
25	25	32	32	27	21	13.5	10	8	7	5.5	5	
19	32	32	32	32	32	30	24	20	17	13	10.5	
25	32	80	80	70	61	45	34	27	22	16	12	
38	32	80	80	80	75	54	40	31	25	17.5	13	
25	38	87	87	87	87	84	73	64	56	45	36	
38	38	151	151	151	151	117	92	79	69	54	43	
51	38	151	151	151	151	128	99	83	72	56	45	
25	51	87	87	87	87	87	87	87	87	87	86	
38	51	275	275	275	275	258	223	196	174	144	122	
51	51	365	365	365	365	318	266	229	201	160	134	
51	64	533	533	533	533	533	495	448	409	353	311	

METER AND SERVICE PIPE (mm)	DISTRIBUTION PIPE (mm)	MAXIMUM DEVELOPMENT LENGTH (mm)										
		12,192	18,288	24,384	30,480	45,720	60,960	76,200	91,440	121,920	152,400	
Pressure Range 270 to 338 kPa												
19	12.5 ^a	3	2.5	2	1.5	1.5	1	1	0.5	0.5	0.5	
19	19	9.5	9.5	8.5	7	5.5	4.5	3.5	3	2.5	2	
19	25	32	32	32	26	18	13.5	10.5	9	7.5	6	
25	25	32	32	32	32	21	15	11.5	9.5	7.5	6.5	
19	32	32	32	32	32	32	32	32	27	21	16.5	
25	32	80	80	80	80	65	52	42	35	26	20	
38	32	80	80	80	80	75	59	48	39	28	21	
25	38	87	87	87	87	87	87	87	78	65	55	
38	38	151	151	151	151	151	130	109	93	75	63	
51	38	151	151	151	151	151	139	115	98	77	64	
25	51	87	87	87	87	87	87	87	87	87	87	
38	51	275	275	275	275	275	275	264	238	198	169	
51	51	365	365	365	365	365	349	304	270	220	185	
51	64	533	533	533	533	533	533	533	528	456	403	

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APPENDIX P

TABLE AP201.1—continued
 MINIMUM SIZE OF WATER METERS, MAINS AND DISTRIBUTION PIPING BASED ON WATER SUPPLY FIXTURE UNIT VALUES (w.s.f.u.)

METER AND SERVICE PIPE (mm)	DISTRIBUTION PIPE (mm)	MAXIMUM DEVELOPMENT LENGTH (mm)										
		12,192	18,288	24,384	30,480	45,720	60,960	76,200	91,440	121,920	152,400	
Pressure Range 339 to 414 kPa												
19	12.5 ^a	3	3	2.5	2	1.5	1	1	1	0.5	0.5	
19	19	9.5	9.5	9.5	8.5	6.5	5	4.5	4	3	2.5	
19	25	32	32	32	32	25	18.5	14.5	12	9.5	8	
25	25	32	32	32	32	30	22	16.5	13	10	8	
19	32	32	32	32	32	32	32	32	32	29	24	
25	32	80	80	80	80	80	68	57	48	35	28	
38	32	80	80	80	80	80	75	63	53	39	29	
25	38	87	87	87	87	87	87	87	87	82	70	
38	38	151	151	151	151	151	151	139	120	94	79	
51	38	151	151	151	151	151	151	146	126	97	81	
25	51	87	87	87	87	87	87	87	87	87	87	
38	51	275	275	275	275	275	275	275	275	247	213	
51	51	365	365	365	365	365	365	365	329	272	232	
51	64	533	533	533	533	533	533	533	533	533	486	

METER AND SERVICE PIPE (mm)	DISTRIBUTION PIPE (mm)	MAXIMUM DEVELOPMENT LENGTH (mm)										
		12,200	18,300	24,400	30,500	45,500	61,000	76,250	106,750	122,000	152,500	
Pressure Range Over 415 kPa												
19	12.5 ^a	3	3	3	2.5	2	1.5	1.5	1	1	0.5	
19	19	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	7.5	6	5	4.5	3.5	3	
19	25	32	32	32	32	32	24	19.5	15.5	11.5	9.5	
25	25	32	32	32	32	32	28	28	17	12	9.5	
19	32	32	32	32	32	32	32	32	32	32	30	
25	32	80	80	80	80	80	80	69	60	46	36	
38	32	80	80	80	80	80	80	76	65	50	38	
25	38	87	87	87	87	87	87	87	87	87	84	
38	38	151	151	151	151	151	151	151	144	114	94	
51	38	151	151	151	151	151	151	151	151	118	97	
25	51	87	87	87	87	87	87	87	87	87	87	
38	51	275	275	275	275	275	275	275	275	275	252	
51	51	365	368	368	368	368	368	368	368	318	273	
51	64	533	533	533	533	533	533	533	533	533	533	

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 kPa = 0.1450 pound per square inch.

a. Minimum size for building supply is a 19 mm (3/4-inch) pipe.

APPENDIX Q

TINY HOUSES

The provisions contained in this appendix are not mandatory but only for information purpose.

User note:

About this appendix: Appendix Q relaxes various requirements in the body of the code as they apply to houses that are 37 m² (400 square feet) in area or less. Attention is specifically paid to features such as compact stairs, including stair handrails and headroom, ladders, reduced ceiling heights in lofts and guard and emergency escape and rescue opening requirements at lofts.

SECTION AQ101 GENERAL

AQ101.1 Scope. This appendix shall be applicable to *tiny houses* used as single *dwelling units*. *Tiny houses* shall comply with this code except as otherwise stated in this appendix.

SECTION AQ102 DEFINITIONS

AQ102.1 General. The following words and terms shall, for the purposes of this appendix, have the meanings shown herein. Refer to Chapter 2 of this code for general definitions.

EGRESS ROOF ACCESS WINDOW. A *skylight* or roof window designed and installed to satisfy the emergency escape and rescue opening requirements of Section R310.2.

LANDING PLATFORM. A landing provided as the top step of a stairway accessing a *loft*.

LOFT. A floor level located more than 760 mm (30 inches) above the main floor, open to the main floor on one or more sides with a ceiling height of less than 2,032 mm (6 feet 8 inches) and used as a living or sleeping space.

TINY HOUSE. A *dwelling* that is 37 m² (400 square feet) or less in floor area excluding *lofts*.

SECTION AQ103 CEILING HEIGHT

AQ103.1 Minimum ceiling height. *Habitable space* and hallways in *tiny houses* shall have a ceiling height of not less than 2,032 mm (6 feet 8 inches). Bathrooms, toilet rooms and kitchens shall have a ceiling height of not less than 1,930 mm (6 feet 4 inches). Obstructions including, but not limited to, beams, girders, ducts and lighting, shall not extend below these minimum ceiling heights.

Exception: Ceiling heights in *lofts* are permitted to be less than 2,032 mm (6 feet 8 inches).

SECTION AQ104 LOFTS

AQ104.1 Minimum loft area and dimensions. *Lofts* used as a sleeping or living space shall meet the minimum area and dimension requirements of Sections AQ104.1.1 through AQ104.1.3.

AQ104.1.1 Minimum area. *Lofts* shall have a floor area of not less than 3.25 m² (35 square feet).

AQ104.1.2 Minimum dimensions. *Lofts* shall be not less than 1,525 mm (5 feet) in any horizontal dimension.

AQ104.1.3 Height effect on loft area. Portions of a *loft* with a sloped ceiling measuring less than 915 mm (3 feet) from the finished floor to the finished ceiling shall not be considered as contributing to the minimum required area for the *loft*.

Exception: Under gable roofs with a minimum slope of 6 units vertical in 12 units horizontal (50-percent slope), portions of a *loft* with a sloped ceiling measuring less than 405 mm (16 inches) from the finished floor to the finished ceiling shall not be considered as contributing to the minimum required area for the *loft*.

AQ104.2 Loft access. The access to and primary egress from *lofts* shall be of any type described in Sections AQ104.2.1 through AQ104.2.4.

AQ104.2.1 Stairways. Stairways accessing *lofts* shall comply with this code or with Sections AQ104.2.1.1 through AQ104.2.1.5.

AQ104.2.1.1 Width. Stairways accessing a *loft* shall not be less than 430 mm (17 inches) in clear width at or above the handrail. The width below the handrail shall be not less than 510 mm (20 inches).

AQ104.2.1.2 Headroom. The headroom in stairways accessing a *loft* shall be not less than 1,880 mm (6 feet 2 inches), as measured vertically, from a sloped line connecting the tread or landing platform nosings in the middle of their width.

AQ104.2.1.3 Treads and risers. Risers for stairs accessing a *loft* shall be not less than 180 mm (7 inches) and not more than 305 mm (12 inches) in height. Tread depth and riser height shall be calculated in accordance with one of the following formulas:

2 The tread depth shall be 510 mm (20 inches) minus four-thirds of the riser height.

3 The riser height shall be 380 mm (15 inches) minus three-fourths of the tread depth.

AQ104.2.1.4 Landing platforms. The top tread and riser of stairways accessing *lofts* shall be constructed as a *landing platform* where the *loft* ceiling height is less

than 1,880 mm (6 feet 2 inches) where the stairway meets the *loft*. The *landing platform* shall be 455 to 560 mm (18 inches to 22 inches) in depth measured from the nosing of the landing platform to the edge of the *loft*, and 405 to 455 mm (16 to 18 inches) in height measured from the *landing platform* to the *loft* floor.

AQ104.2.1.5 Handrails. Handrails shall comply with Section R311.7.8.

AQ104.2.1.6 Stairway guards. Guards at open sides of stairways shall comply with Section R312.1.

AQ104.2.2 Ladders. Ladders accessing *lofts* shall comply with Sections AQ104.2.1 and AQ104.2.2.

AQ104.2.2.1 Size and capacity. Ladders accessing *lofts* shall have a rung width of not less than 305 mm (12 inches), and 255 mm (10-inch) to 355 mm (14-inch) spacing between rungs. Ladders shall be capable of supporting a 75 kg (200-pound) load on any rung. Rung spacing shall be uniform within 10 mm ($\frac{3}{8}$ inch).

AQ104.2.2.2 Incline. Ladders shall be installed at 70 to 80 degrees from horizontal.

AQ104.2.3 Alternating tread devices. Alternating tread devices accessing *lofts* shall comply with Sections R311.7.11.1 and R311.7.11.2. The clear width at and below the handrails shall be not less than 510 mm (20 inches).

AQ104.2.4 Ship's ladders. Ship's ladders accessing *lofts* shall comply with Sections R311.7.12.1 and R311.7.12.2. The clear width at and below handrails shall be not less than 510 mm (20 inches).

AQ104.2.5 Loft Guards. *Loft* guards shall be located along the open side of *lofts*. *Loft* guards shall be not less than 915 mm (36 inches) in height or one-half of the clear height to the ceiling, whichever is less.

SECTION AQ105

EMERGENCY ESCAPE AND RESCUE OPENINGS

AQ105.1 General. *Tiny houses* shall meet the requirements of Section R310 for emergency escape and rescue openings.

Exception: *Egress roof access windows* in *lofts* used as sleeping rooms shall be deemed to meet the requirements of Section R310 where installed such that the bottom of the opening is not more than 1,120 mm (44 inches) above the *loft* floor, provided the egress roof access window complies with the minimum opening area requirements of Section R310.2.1.

APPENDIX R

LIGHT STRAW-CLAY CONSTRUCTION

The provisions contained in this appendix are not mandatory and are included strictly for information.

User note:

About this appendix: While heavier forms of straw-clay construction have been used in various parts of the world for thousands of years, light forms of straw-clay construction began to appear in Europe in 1950 and in the United States in 1990. These lighter forms of straw-clay construction are intended as infill materials in nonload-bearing walls. The advantages of light straw-clay construction, such as regulated by Appendix R, include thermal performance and low environmental impact.

SECTION AR101 GENERAL

AR101.1 Scope. This appendix shall govern the use of light straw-clay as a nonbearing building material and wall infill system in Seismic Design Categories A and B. Use of light straw-clay in Seismic Design Categories C, D₀, D₁ and D₂ shall require an *approved* engineered design by a registered *design building professional* in accordance with Section R301.1.3.

SECTION AR102 DEFINITIONS

AR102.1 General. The following words and terms shall, for the purposes of this appendix, have the meanings shown herein. Refer to Chapter 2 for general definitions.

CLAY. Inorganic soil with particle sizes of less than 0.002 mm (0.00008 inch) having the characteristics of high to very high dry strength and medium to high plasticity.

CLAY SLIP. A suspension of clay subsoil in water.

CLAY SUBSOIL. Subsoil sourced directly from the earth or refined, containing clay and free from organic matter.

INFILL. Light straw-clay that is placed between the structural and nonstructural members of a building.

LIGHT STRAW-CLAY. A mixture of straw and clay slip compacted and dried to form insulation and plaster substrate between or around structural and nonstructural members in a wall.

NONBEARING. Not bearing the weight of the building other than the weight of the light straw-clay itself and its finish.

STRAW. The dry stems of cereal grains after the seed heads have been removed.

VOID. Any space in a light straw-clay wall wider than 6.35 mm (¹/₄ inch), greater than 51 mm (2 inches) in horizontal length and greater than 51 mm (2 inches) in depth.

SECTION AR103 NONBEARING LIGHT STRAW-CLAY CONSTRUCTION

AR103.1 General. Light straw-clay shall be limited to infill between or around structural and nonstructural wall framing members.

AR103.2 Structure. The structure of buildings using light straw-clay shall be in accordance with the *Jamaica Residential Code* or shall be in accordance with an *approved* design by a registered *design building professional*.

AR103.2.1 Number of stories. Use of light straw-clay infill shall be limited to buildings that are not more than one *story above grade plane*.

Exception: Buildings using light straw-clay infill that are greater than one *story above grade plane* shall be in accordance with an *approved* design by a registered *design building professional*.

AR103.2.2 Bracing. Bracing for buildings with light straw-clay infill shall be in accordance with Section R602.10. Walls with light straw-clay infill shall use Method LIB and shall not be sheathed with solid sheathing. Walls without light straw-clay infill shall comply with any bracing method prescribed by this code.

AR103.2.3 Requirements and properties of light straw-clay mixtures. The requirements and properties of light straw-clay mixtures shall be in accordance with Table AR103.2.3.

AR103.2.4 Stabilization of light straw-clay. Light straw-clay shall be stabilized as follows, or shall be in accordance with an *approved* design by a registered *design building professional*:

1. Vertical stabilization shall be of structural or non-structural wood framing in accordance with Figure AR103.2.4(1), AR103.2.4(2) or AR103.2.4(3). Framing members that are both load-bearing and stabilization members shall meet the requirements of Section R602 and this section. Nonstructural stabilization members shall be not more than 815 mm (32 inches) on center.

2. Horizontal stabilization shall be installed at not more than 610 mm (24 inches) on center and in accordance with Figure AR103.2.4(1), AR103.2.4(2) or AR103.2.4(3). Horizontal stabilization shall be of any of the following with the stated minimum dimen-

sions: 19 mm (³/₄-inch) bamboo, 12.5 mm (¹/₂-inch) fiberglass rod, 25 mm (1-inch) wood dowel or nominal 25 mm by 51 mm (1-inch by 2-inch) wood.

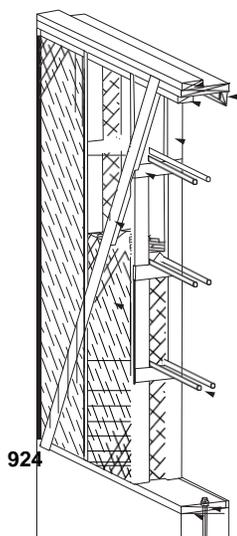
**TABLE AR103.2.3
REQUIREMENTS AND PROPERTIES OF LIGHT STRAW-CLAY MIXTURES^a**

Density (kg/m ³)	Straw (kg/m ³)	Subsoil (kg/m ³)	Water (L/m ³) ^b	Min.% clay in subsoil	Minimum clay: silt ratio	Subsoil testing method ^{c, d}	Max. wall thickness, (millimetres)	R-value [Watt / (m . K)]
1,605.4	1,075.6	529.8	207.20	70	3.5:1	A	381	0.2594
1,926.5	1,075.6	850.9	217.90	46	1.7:1	A	381	0.2479
2,087.1	1,075.6	1,011.4	223.25	40	1.33:1	A	381	0.2436
2,408.2	1,075.6	1,332.5	232.60	35	0.95:1	A	381	0.2349
3,210.9	1,075.6	2,135.2	258.00	30	0.60:1	A	305	0.2133
4,816.2	1,075.6	3,740.7	308.80	NA	NA	B	305	0.1758
6,421.8	1,075.6	5,346.1	360.94	NA	NA	B	305	0.1456
8,027.2	1,075.6	6,951.6	411.74	NA	NA	B	305	0.1211

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 kg/m³ = 0.0062288 pound per cubic foot, 1 L/m³ = 0.007480 gallon per cubic foot, 1 Watt/m.K = 6.9381 hr/F²/cf/BTU/inch.

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- i. Interpolation permitted. Extrapolation not permitted.
- ii. Water mixed with subsoil equals clay slip.
- iii. Subsoil Testing Methods:
 - a. Lab test for percent of clay, silt and sand via hydrometer method.
 - b. Ribbon Test or the Figure 3 Ball Test in the Appendix of ASTM E2392/E2392M.
- iv. Trace amounts of organic materials are acceptable.



- DOUBLE TOP PLATE
- VERTICAL SOLID BLOCKING
- FLAT SOLID BLOCKING
- LADDER (LARSEN) TRUSSES MADE WITH 50 x 100 mm AND GUSSETS PER SECTION AR103.2.4, ITEM 1
- GUSSETS: 9.5 mm x 76 mm PLYWOOD OR 1x4 FASTENERS: 4-4d NAILS OR 4-44.5 mm STAPLES
- WOOD OR METAL STRAP BRACING (LIB) PER TABLE 602.10.4 WHERE APPLICABLE PER SECTION R602.10
- LIGHT STRAW-CLAY INFILL

- HORIZONTAL STABILIZATION OF LIGHT STRAW-CLAY PER SECTION AR103.4, ITEM 2
- ANCHORAGE PER SECTION R403.1.6 2X SILL PLATE
- CONCRETE OR MASONRY FOUNDATION PER SECTION R401
- FRAMING FASTENERS PER TABLE R602.3(1)
- DOUBLE TOP PLATE
- FLAT SOLID BLOCKING

WOOD METAL STRAP
BRACING (L1B) PER TABLE
R602.10.4 WHERE
APPLICABLE PER SECTION
R602.10

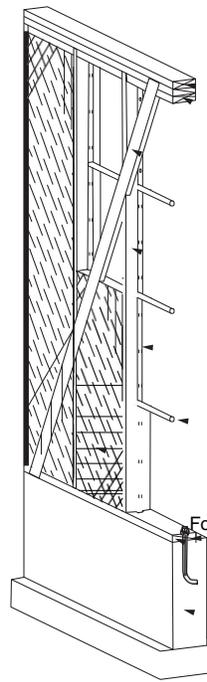
2X STUDS PER
SECTION AR103.2.4, ITEM 1

25 x 25 mm CLEAT
CENTERED ON EACH STUD
FACE BETWEEN
HORIZONTAL STABILIZATION

HORIZONTAL
STABILIZATION OF
LIGHT STRAW-CLAY
PER SECTION

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch.

FIGURE AR103.2.4(1)
LIGHT STRAW-CLAY WALL WITH LARSEN TRUSSES



AR103.2.4, ITEM 2
LIGHT STRAW-CLAY INFILL
ANCHORAGE PER SECTION R403.1.6
2X SILL PLATE
CONCRETE OR MASONRY
FOUNDATION PER SECTION R401
FRAMING FASTENERS PER
TABLE R602.3(1)

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch

FIGURE AR103.2.4(2)
LIGHT STRAW-CLAY WALL SINGLE STUD WIDTH

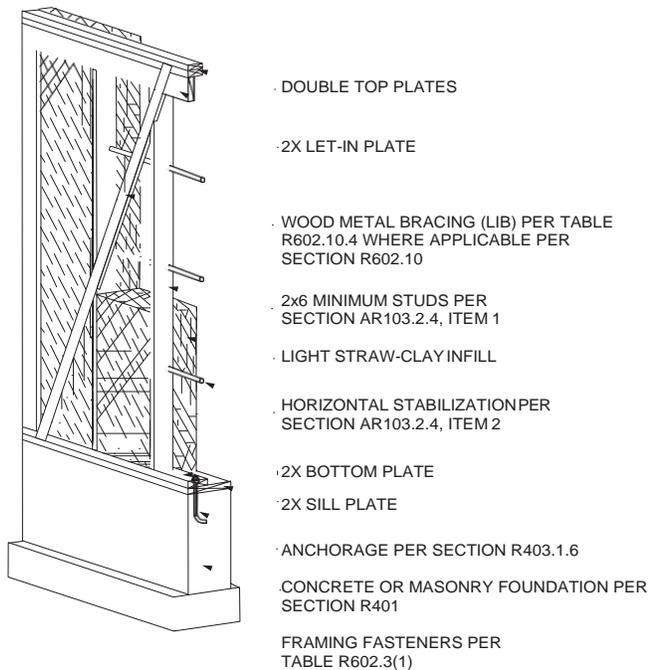


FIGURE AR103.2.4(3)
LIGHT STRAW-CLAY WALL WITH BLIND STUDS

AR103.3 Materials. The materials used in light straw-clay construction shall be in accordance with Sections AR103.3.1 through AR103.3.3.

AR103.3.1 Straw requirements. Straw shall be stems of wheat, rye, oats, rice or barley, and shall be free of visible decay, insects and green plant material.

AR103.3.2 Clay subsoil requirements. Suitability of clay subsoil shall be determined in accordance with Table AR103.2.3.

AR103.3.3 Light straw-clay mixture. A light straw-clay mixture shall consist of loose straw mixed and coated with clay slip such that there is not more than 5 percent uncoated straw, and shall be in accordance with Table AR103.2.3.

AR103.4 Wall construction. Light straw-clay wall construction shall be in accordance with the requirements of Sections AR103.4.1 through AR103.4.7.

AR103.4.1 Light straw-clay maximum thickness. The maximum thickness of light straw-clay shall be in accordance with Table AR103.2.3.

AR103.4.2 Distance above grade. Light straw-clay and its exterior finish shall be not less than 205 mm (8 inches) above exterior finished *grade*.

AR103.4.3 Moisture barrier. An *approved* moisture barrier shall separate the bottom of light straw-clay walls from any masonry or concrete foundation or slab that directly supports the walls. Penetrations and joints in the barrier shall be sealed with an *approved* sealant.

AR103.4.4 Contact with wood members. Light straw-clay shall be permitted to be in contact with untreated wood members.

AR103.4.5 Contact with nonwood structural members. Nonwood structural members in contact with light straw-clay shall be resistant to corrosion or shall be coated to prevent corrosion with an *approved* coating.

AR103.4.6 Installation. Light straw-clay shall be installed in accordance with the following:

1. Formwork shall be sufficiently strong to resist bowing where the light straw-clay is compacted into the forms.
2. Light straw-clay shall be uniformly placed into forms and evenly tamped to achieve stable walls free of voids. Light straw-clay shall be placed in lifts of not more than 150 mm (6 inches) and shall be thoroughly tamped before additional material is added.
3. Temporary formwork shall be removed from walls within 24 hours after tamping, and walls shall remain exposed until moisture content is in accordance with Section AR103.5.1. Visible voids shall be filled with light straw-clay or other insulative material prior to plastering.

AR103.4.7 Openings in walls. Openings in walls shall be in accordance with the following:

2. Rough framing for doors and windows shall be fastened to structural members in accordance with the *Jamaica Residential Code*. Windows and doors shall be flashed in accordance with the *Jamaica Residential Code*.
3. An *approved* moisture barrier shall be installed at window sills in light straw-clay walls prior to installation of windows.

AR103.5 Wall finishes. The interior and exterior surfaces of light straw-clay walls shall be protected with a finish in accordance with Sections AR103.5.1 through AR103.5.5.

AR103.5.1 Dimensional stability of light straw-clay prior to application of plaster finish. Light straw-clay infill having a density of 480.6 kg/m³ (30 pounds per cubic foot) or greater shall be dry to a moisture content of not more than 20 percent at a depth of 100 mm (4 inches), as measured from each side of the wall. Light straw-clay infill having a density of less than 480.6 kg/m³ (30 pounds per cubic foot) shall be sufficiently dry such that the overall shrinkage of the light straw-clay is dimensionally stable.

AR103.5.2 Plaster finish. Exterior plaster shall be clay plasters or lime plasters. Interior plasters shall be clay plasters, lime plasters or gypsum plasters. Plasters shall be permitted to be applied directly to the surface of the light straw-clay walls without reinforcement, except that the juncture of dissimilar substrates shall be in accordance with Section AR103.5.4. Plasters shall have a thickness of not less than 12.5 mm (¹/₂ inch) and not more than 25 mm (1 inch) and shall be installed in not less than two coats.

Rain-exposed clay plasters shall be finished with a lime-based or silicate-mineral coating.

AR103.5.3 Separation of wood and plaster. Where wood framing occurs in light straw-clay walls, such wood surfaces shall be separated from exterior plaster with No.15 asphalt felt, Grade D paper or other approved material except where the wood is preservative treated or naturally durable.

Exception: Exterior clay plasters shall not be required to be separated from wood.

AR103.5.4 Bridging across dissimilar substrates. Bridging shall be installed across dissimilar substrates prior to the application of plaster. Acceptable bridging materials include: expanded metal lath, woven wire mesh, welded wire mesh, fiberglass mesh, reed matting or burlap. Bridging shall extend not less than 100 mm (4 inches), on both sides of the juncture.

AR103.5.5 Exterior cladding. Exterior cladding shall be spaced not less than 12.5 mm ($\frac{1}{2}$ inch) from the light straw-clay such that a ventilation space is created to allow for moisture diffusion. Furring strips that create this ventilation space shall be securely fastened to the stabilization members or framing. The cladding shall be fastened to the wood furring strips in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions. Insect screening shall be provided at the top and bottom of the ventilation space.

SECTION AR104 THERMAL PERFORMANCE

AR104.1 Thermal characteristics. Walls with light straw-clay infill of densities of greater than or equal to 480.6 kg/m^3 (20 pounds per cubic foot) shall be classified as mass walls in accordance with Section N1102.2.5 (R402.2.5) and shall meet the R-value requirements for mass walls in Table N1102.1.2 (R402.1.2). Walls with light straw-clay infill of densities less than 480.6 kg/m^3 (20 pounds per cubic foot) shall meet the R-value requirements for wood frame walls in Table N1102.1.2 (R402.1.2).

AR104.2 Thermal resistance. Light straw-clay shall be deemed to have a thermal resistance as specified in Table AR103.2.3.

SECTION AR105 REFERENCED STANDARDS

ASTM E2392/ Standard Guide for Design AR 103.3.2
E2392M—10 of Earthen Wall Building
Systems

APPENDIX S

STRAWBALE CONSTRUCTION

The provisions contained in this appendix are not mandatory but for information only.

User note:

About this appendix: *The use of strawbale construction has steadily increased since the 1980s such that there are now buildings of strawbale construction in every state in the U.S. and in more than 50 countries around the globe. Estimates are that there are over 1,000 buildings of strawbale construction in California alone, including both residential and commercial buildings. Appendix S provides prescriptive requirements for the construction of exterior and interior walls, both structural and nonstructural, in buildings that are under the scope of this code.*

SECTION AS101 GENERAL

AS101.1 Scope. This appendix provides prescriptive and performance-based requirements for the use of baled *straw* as a building material. Other methods of *strawbale* construction shall be subject to approval in accordance with Section R104.11 of this code. *Buildings* using *strawbale* walls shall comply with this code except as otherwise stated in this appendix.

AS101.2 Strawbale wall systems. *Strawbale* wall systems include those shown in Figure AS101.2 and *approved* variations.

SECTION AS102 DEFINITIONS

AS102.1 Definitions. The following words and terms shall, for the purposes of this appendix, have the meanings shown herein. Refer to Chapter 2 of the *Jamaica Residential Code* for general definitions.

BALE. Equivalent to *straw bale*.

CLAY. Inorganic soil with particle sizes less than 0.002 mm (0.00008 inch) having the characteristics of high to very high dry strength and medium to high plasticity.

CLAY SLIP. A suspension of *clay subsoil* in water.

CLAY SUBSOIL. Subsoil sourced directly from the earth or refined, containing *clay* and free of organic matter.

FINISH. Completed compilation of materials on the interior or exterior faces of stacked *bales*.

FLAKE. An intact section of compressed *straw* removed from an untied *bale*.

LAI D FLAT. The orientation of a *bale* with its largest faces horizontal, its longest dimension parallel with the wall plane, its *ties* concealed in the unfinished wall and its *straw* lengths oriented predominantly across the thickness of the wall. See Figure AS102.1.

LOAD-BEARING WALL. A *strawbale* wall that supports more than 1459 N/m (100 pounds per linear foot) of vertical load in addition its own weight.

MESH. An openwork fabric of linked strands of metal, plastic, or natural or synthetic fiber.

NONSTRUCTURAL WALL. Walls other than *load-bearing* walls or shear walls.

ON-EDGE. The orientation of a *bale* with its largest faces vertical, its longest dimension parallel with the wall plane, its *ties* on the face of the wall and its *straw* lengths oriented predominantly vertically. See Figure AS102.1.

ON-END. The orientation of a *bale* with its longest dimension vertical. For use in *nonstructural strawbale* walls only. See Figure AS102.1.

PIN. A vertical metal rod, wood dowel or bamboo, driven into the center of stacked *bales*, or placed on opposite surfaces of stacked *bales* and through-tied.

PLASTER. Gypsum plaster, cement plaster, *clay* plaster, soil-cement plaster, lime plaster or cement-lime plaster as described in Section AS104.

PRECOMPRESSION. Vertical compression of stacked *bales* before the application of finish.

REINFORCED PLASTER. A *plaster* containing mesh reinforcement.

RUNNING BOND. The placement of *straw bales* such that the head joints in successive courses are offset not less than one-quarter the bale length.

SHEAR WALL. A *strawbale* wall designed and constructed to resist lateral seismic and wind forces parallel to the plane of the wall in accordance with Section AS106.13.

SKIN. The compilation of *plaster* and reinforcing, if any, applied to the surface of stacked *bales*.

STRUCTURAL WALL. A wall that meets the definition for a *load-bearing* wall or shear wall.

STACK BOND. The placement of *straw bales* such that head joints in successive courses are vertically aligned.

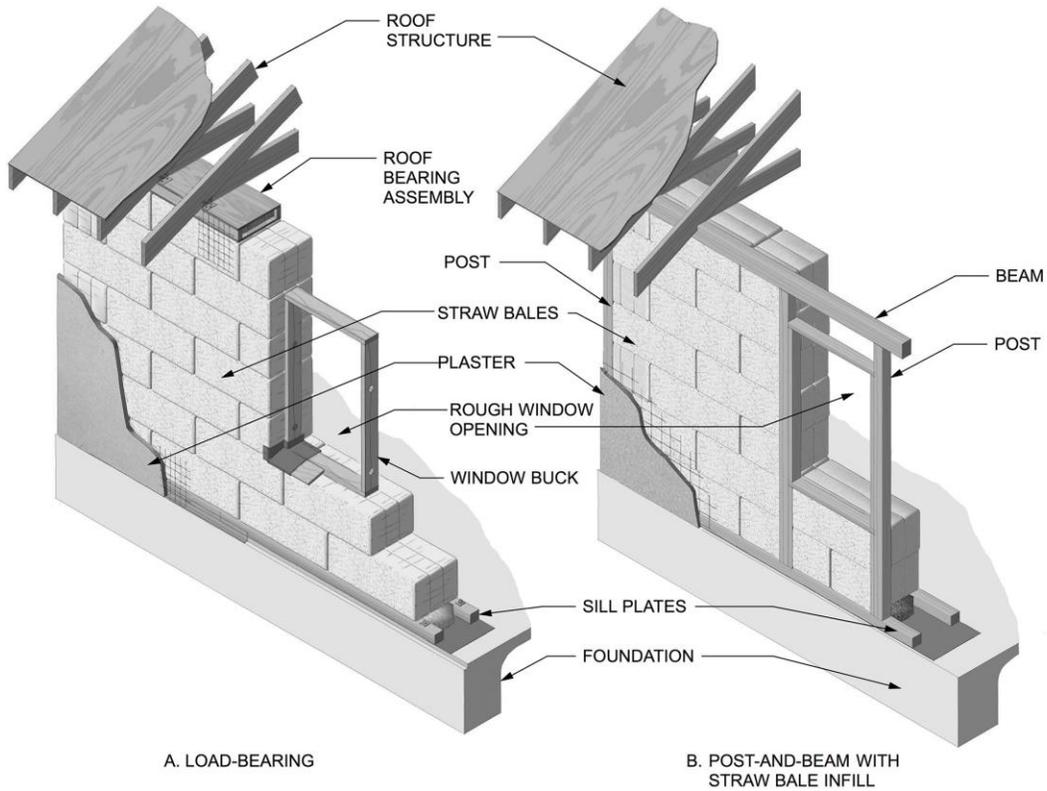
STRAW. The dry stems of cereal grains after the seed heads have been removed.

STRAW BALE. A rectangular compressed block of *straw*, bound by *ties*.

STRAWBALE. The adjective form of *straw bale*.

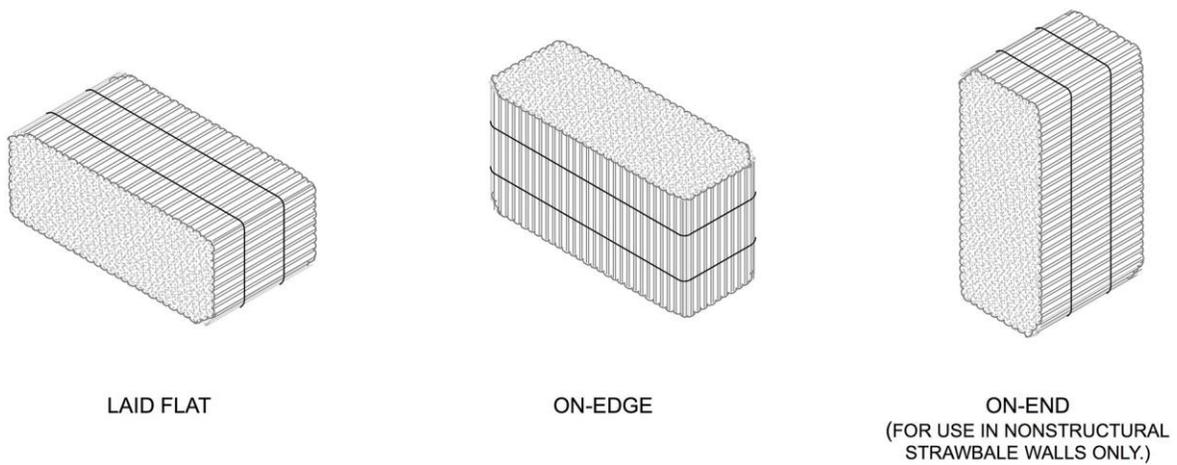
STRAW-CLAY. Loose *straw* mixed and coated with *clay slip*.

TIE. A synthetic fiber, natural fiber or metal wire used to confine a *straw bale*.



NOTE: SEE FIGURES AS105.1(1) THROUGH AS105.1(4) FOR DETAILED VIEWS AND SECTION REFERENCES. OTHER STRAWBALE WALL SYSTEMS OR VARIATIONS ARE PERMITTED AS APPROVED.

**FIGURE AS101.1
TYPICAL STRAWBALE WALL SYSTEMS**



NOTE: ILLUSTRATIONS ALSO SHOW THE PREDOMINANT DIRECTION OF THE LENGTHS OF STRAW IN A TYPICAL STRAW BALE. HOWEVER, SOME RANDOMNESS OF DIRECTION IS NORMAL.

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch.

**FIGURE AS102.1
BALE ORIENTATIONS**

TRUTH WINDOW. An area of a *strawbale* wall left without its finish, to allow view of the *straw* otherwise concealed by its finish.

SECTION AS103 BALES

AS103.1 Shape. *Bales* shall be rectangular in shape.

AS103.2 Size. *Bales* shall have a height and thickness of not less than 305 mm (12 inches), except as otherwise permitted or required in this appendix. *Bales* used within a continuous wall shall be of consistent height and thickness to ensure even distribution of loads within the wall system. See Figure AS103.2 for approximate dimensions of common *straw bales*.

AS103.3 Ties. *Bales* shall be confined by synthetic fiber, natural fiber or metal *ties* sufficient to maintain required *bale* density. *Ties* shall be not less than 76 mm (3 inches) and not more than 150 mm (6 inches) from the two faces without *ties* and shall be spaced not more than 305 mm (12 inches) apart. *Bales* with broken *ties* shall be retied with sufficient tension to maintain required *bale* density.

AS103.4 Moisture content. The moisture content of *bales* at the time of application of the first coat of *plaster* or the installation of another finish shall not exceed 20 percent of the weight of the *bale*. The moisture content of *bales* shall be determined with a moisture meter designed for use with *baled straw* or hay, equipped with a probe of sufficient length to reach the center of the *bale*. Not less than 5 percent and not fewer than 10 *bales* shall be randomly selected and tested.

AS103.5 Density. *Bales* shall have a dry density of not less than 104 kg/cubic meter (6.5 pounds per cubic foot). The dry density shall be calculated by subtracting the weight of the moisture in kilogramme (pounds) from the actual *bale* weight and dividing by the volume of the *bale* in cubic metres (cubic feet). Not less than 2 percent and not fewer than five *bales* shall be randomly selected and tested on site.

AS103.6 Partial bales. Partial *bales* made after original fabrication shall be retied with *ties* complying with Section AS103.3.

AS103.7 Types of straw. *Bales* shall be composed of *straw* from wheat, rice, rye, barley or oat.

AS103.8 Other baled material. The dry stems of other cereal grains shall be acceptable where *approved* by the Local Authority.

SECTION AS104 FINISHES

AS104.1 General. Finishes applied to *strawbale* walls shall be any type permitted by this code, and shall comply with this section and with Chapters 3 and 7 unless stated otherwise in this section.

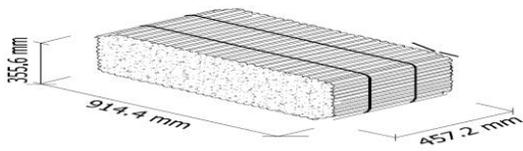
AS104.2 Purpose, and where required. *Strawbale* walls shall be finished so as to provide mechanical protection, fire resistance and protection from weather and to restrict the passage of air through the *bales*, in accordance with this appendix and this code. Vertical *strawbale* wall surfaces shall receive a coat of *plaster* not less than 10 mm (³/₈ inch) thick, or greater where required elsewhere in this appendix, or shall fit tightly against a solid wall panel or dense-packed cellulose insulation with a density of not less than 56 kg/m³ (3.5 pounds per cubic foot) blown into an adjacent framed wall. The tops of *strawbale* walls shall receive a coat of *plaster* not less than 10 mm (³/₈ inch) thick where *straw* would otherwise be exposed.

Exception: *Truth windows* shall be permitted where a fire-resistance rating is not required. Weather-exposed *truth windows* shall be fitted with a weather-tight cover. Interior *truth windows* in Climate Zones 5, 6, 7, 8 and Marine 4 shall be fitted with an air-tight cover.

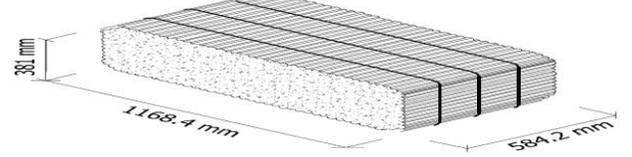
AS104.3 Vapour retarders. Class I and II vapour retarders shall not be used on a *strawbale wall*, nor shall any other material be used that has a vapour permeance rating of less than 3 perms, except as permitted or required elsewhere in this appendix.

AS104.4 Plaster. *Plaster* applied to *bales* shall be any type described in this section, and as required or limited in this appendix. *Plaster* thickness shall not exceed 51 mm (2 inches).

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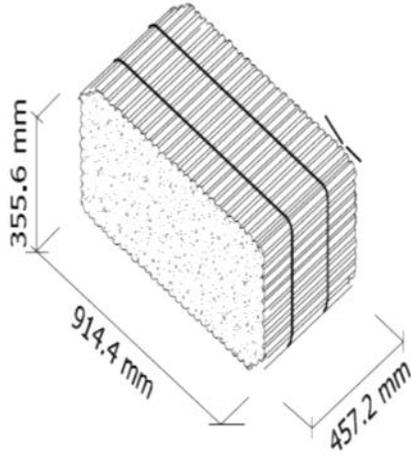


TWO-STRING BALE

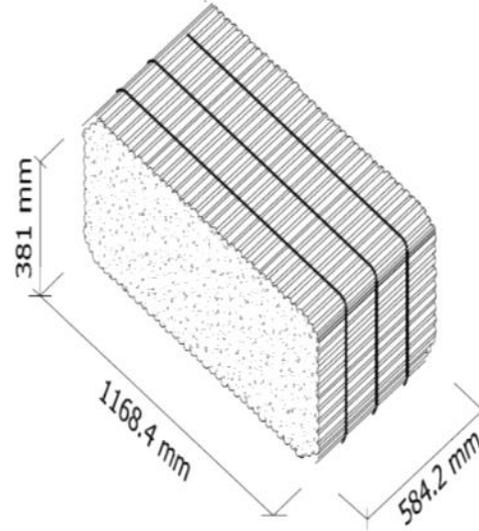


THREE-STRING BALE

For Inch
Units: 1 mm
inch.



TWO-STRING BALE



THREE-STRING BALE

Pound
= 0.03937

FIGURE AS103.2
APPROXIMATE DIMENSIONS OF COMMON STRAW BALES

AS104.4.1 Plaster and membranes. *Plaster* shall be applied directly to *strawbale* walls to facilitate transpiration of moisture from the *bales*, and to secure a mechanical bond between the *skin* and the *bales*, except where a membrane is allowed or required elsewhere in this appendix.

AS104.4.2 Lath and mesh for plaster. The surface of the *straw bales* functions as lath, and other lath or *mesh* shall not be required, except as required for out-of-plane resistance by Table AS105.4 or for structural walls by Tables AS106.12 and AS106.13(1).

AS104.4.3 Clay plaster. *Clay plaster* shall comply with Sections AS104.4.3.1 through AS104.4.3.6.

AS104.4.3.1 General. *Clay plaster* shall be any plaster having a clay or *clay subsoil* binder. Such plaster shall contain sufficient clay to fully bind the sand or other inert granular material, and shall be permitted to contain reinforcing fibers. Acceptable reinforcing fibers include chopped straw, sisal and animal hair.

AS104.4.3.2 Clay subsoil requirements. The suitability of *clay subsoil* shall be determined in accordance with the Figure 2 Ribbon Test or the Figure 3 Ball Test in the appendix of ASTM E2392/E2392M.

AS104.4.3.3 Thickness and coats. *Clay plaster* shall be not less than 25 mm (1 inch) thick, except where required to be thicker for structural walls as described elsewhere in this appendix, and shall be applied in not less than two coats.

AS104.4.3.4 Rain-exposed. *Clay plaster*, where exposed to rain, shall be finished with lime wash, lime plaster, linseed oil or other *approved* erosion-resistant finish.

AS104.4.3.5 Prohibited finish coat. *Plaster* containing Portland cement shall not be permitted as a finish coat over *clay plasters*.

AS104.4.3.6 Plaster additives. Additives shall be permitted to increase *plaster* workability, durability, strength or water resistance.

AS104.4.4 Soil-cement plaster. Soil-cement plaster shall comply with Sections AS104.4.4.1 through AS104.4.4.3.

AS104.4.4.1 General. Soil-cement *plaster* shall be 1. composed of *clay subsoil*, sand and not less than 10 percent and not more than 20 percent Portland cement 2. by volume, and shall be permitted to contain reinforcing fibers.

AS104.4.4.2 Lath and mesh. Soil-cement *plaster* shall 3. use any corrosion-resistant lath or *mesh* permitted by this code, or as required in Section AS106 where used 4. on structural walls.

AS104.4.4.3 Thickness. Soil-cement *plaster* shall be not less than 25 mm (1 inch) thick.

AS104.4.5 Gypsum plaster. Gypsum *plaster* shall comply with Section R702.2.1. Gypsum *plaster* shall be limited to use on interior surfaces of *nonstructural* walls, and as an interior *finish* coat over a structural *plaster* that complies with this appendix.

AS104.4.6 Lime plaster. Lime *plaster* shall comply with Sections AS104.4.6.1 through AS104.4.6.3.

AS104.4.6.1 General. Lime *plaster* is any *plaster* with a binder that is composed of calcium hydroxide (CaOH) including Type N or S hydrated lime, hydraulic lime, natural hydraulic lime or quicklime. Hydrated lime shall comply with ASTM C206. Hydraulic lime shall comply with ASTM C1707. Natural hydraulic lime shall comply with ASTM C141 and EN 459. Quicklime shall comply with ASTM C5.

AS104.4.6.2 Thickness and coats. Lime *plaster* shall be not less than 22 mm ($7/8$ inch) thick, and shall be applied in not less than three coats.

AS104.4.6.3 On structural walls. Lime *plaster* on *strawbale* structural walls in accordance with Table AS106.12 or Table AS106.13(1) shall use a binder of hydraulic or natural hydraulic lime.

AS104.4.7 Cement-lime plaster. Cement-lime plaster shall be *plaster* mixes CL, F or FL, as described in ASTM C926.

AS104.4.8 Cement plaster. Cement *plaster* shall conform to ASTM/C926 and shall comply with Sections R703.7.4 and R703.7.5, except that the amount of lime in plaster coats shall be not less than 1 part lime to 6 parts cement to allow a minimum acceptable vapour permeability. The combined thickness of *plaster* coats shall be not more than 38 mm ($1\frac{1}{2}$ inches) thick.

SECTION AS105 STRAWBALE WALLS—GENERAL

AS105.1 General. *Strawbale walls* shall be designed and constructed in accordance with this section and with Figures AS105.1(1) through AS105.1(4) or an *approved* alternative design. *Strawbale structural walls* shall be in accordance with the additional requirements of Section AS106.

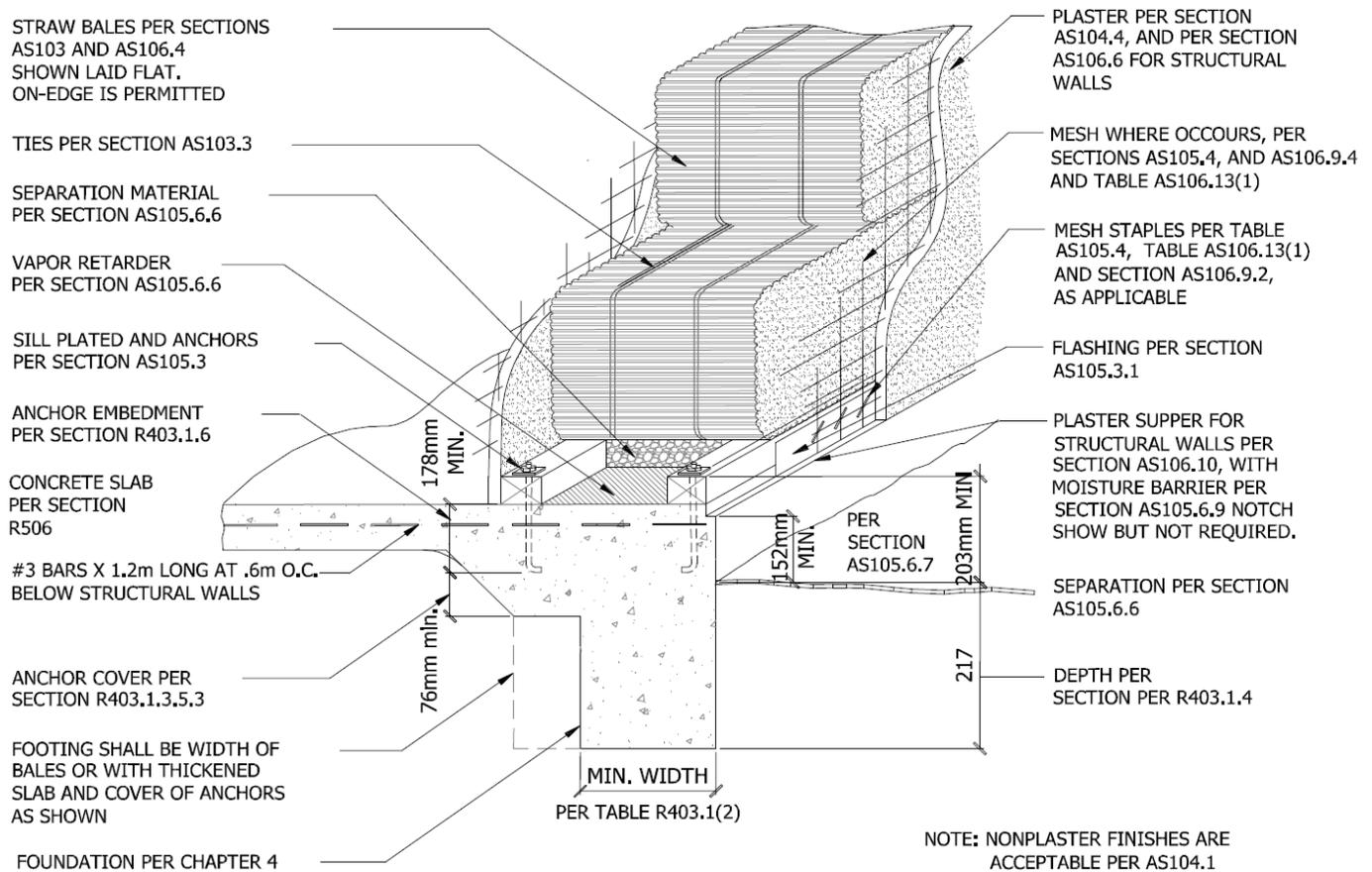
AS105.2 Building limitations and requirements for use of strawbale nonstructural walls. *Buildings* using *strawbale nonstructural walls* shall be subject to the following limitations and requirements:

Number of stories: not more than one, except that two stories shall be allowed with an *approved* engineered design.

Building height: not more than 7,620 mm (25 feet), except that greater heights shall be allowed with an *approved* engineered design.

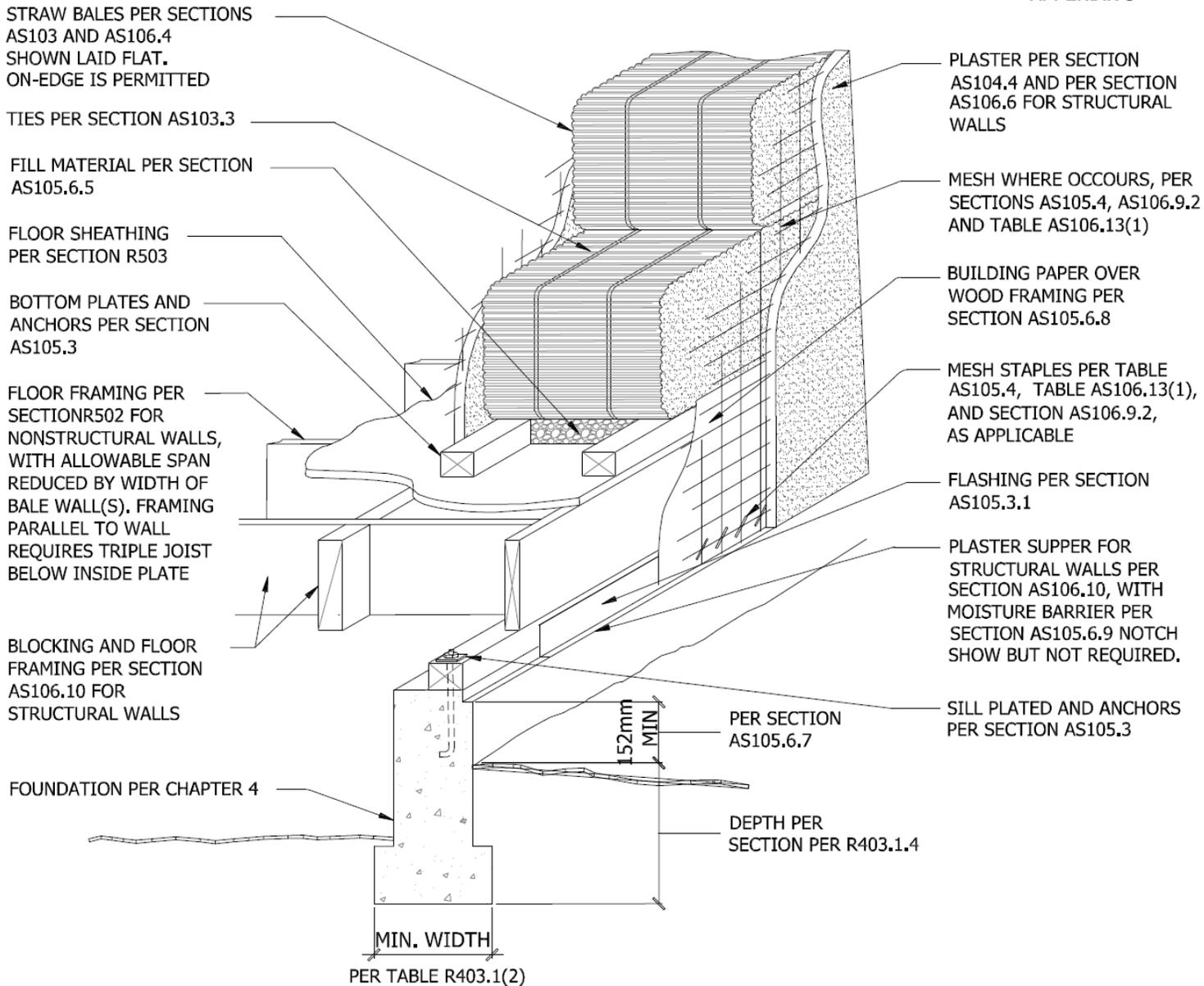
Wall height: in accordance with Table AS105.4.

Braced wall panel lengths: in accordance with Section R602.10.3, with the additional requirements that Table R602.10.3(3) shall apply to all *buildings* in Seismic Design Category C, and the minimum total length of braced wall panels in Table R602.10.3(3) shall be increased by 60 percent for *buildings* in Seismic Design Categories C, D₀, D₁ and D₂.



For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch.

FIGURE AS105.1(1)
TYPICAL BASE OF PLASTERED STRAWBALE WALL ON CONCRETE SLAB AND FOOTING



NOTE: NONPLASTER FINISHES ARE ACCEPTABLE PER SECTION AS104.1

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch.

FIGURE AS105.1(2)
TYPICAL BASE OF PLASTERED STRAWBALE WALL OVER RAISED FLOOR

ROOF SYSTEM PER CHAPTER 8

METAL
CONNE
CTOR
WITH
MIN. 182

kg CAPACITY AT MAX. 610 mm O.C.

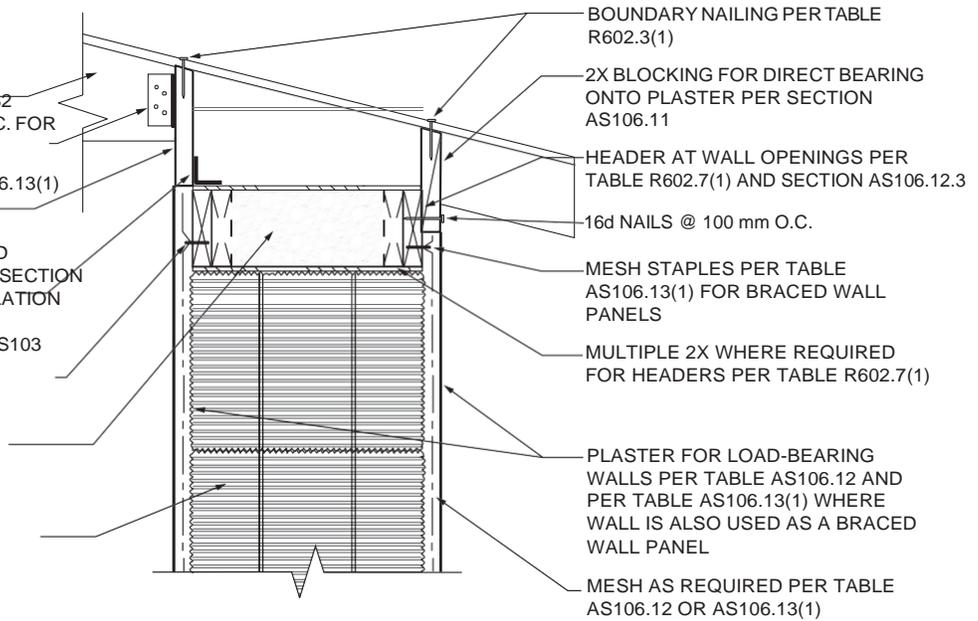
2X BLOCKING FOR DIRECT BEARING ONTO PLASTER PER SECTION AS106.11

METAL CONNECTOR WITH MIN. 182 kg CAPACITY AT MAX. 610 mm O.C. FOR BRACED WALL PANELS

MESH STAPLES PER TABLE AS106.13(1) FOR BRACED WALL PANELS

TYPICAL LUMBER AND PLYWOOD ROOF BEARING ASSEMBLY, PER SECTION AS106.12.3.1. FILLED WITH INSULATION

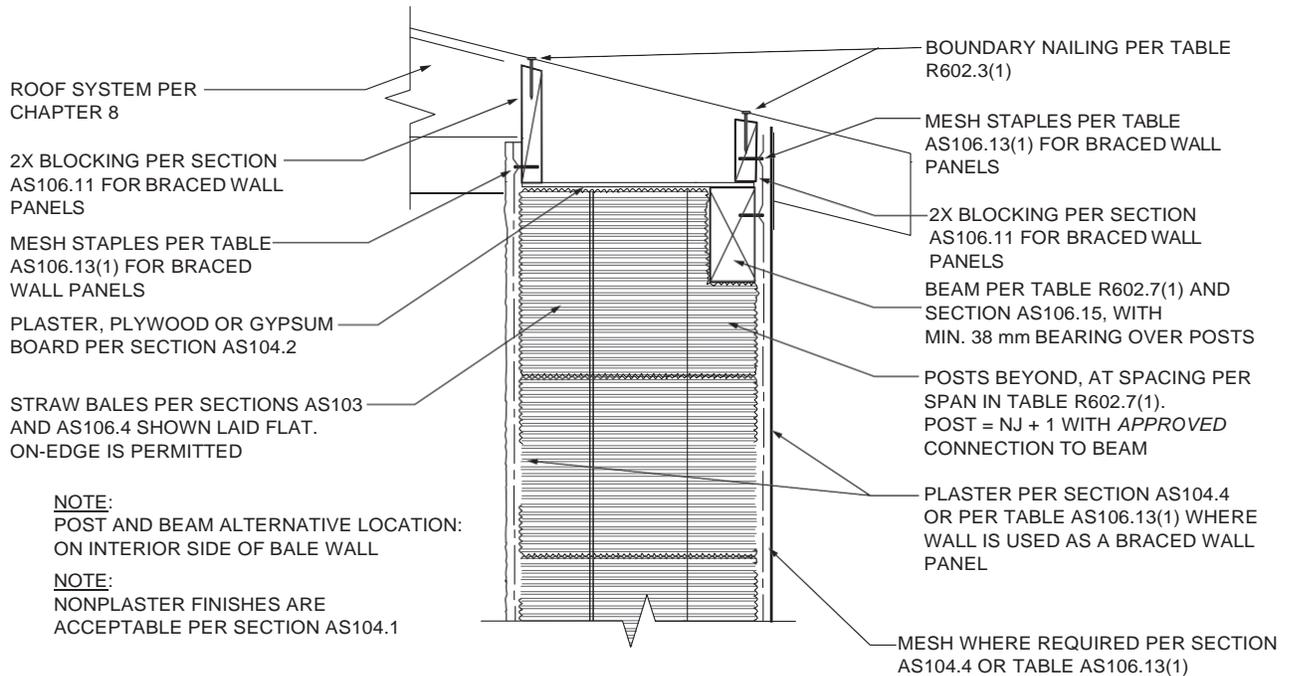
STRAW BALES PER SECTIONS AS103 AND AS106.4 SHOWN LAID FLAT. ON-EDGE IS PERMITTED



For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 kg = 2.2 pounds.

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TYPICAL TOP OF LOAD-BEARING STRAWBALE WALL

FIGURE AS105.



For Inch Pond Units:
1 mm = 0.03937 inch.

FIGURE AS105.1(4)
TYPICAL TOP OF POST-AND-BEAM WALL WITH PLASTERED STRAWBALE INFILL

AS105.3 Sill plates. Sill plates shall be installed in accordance with Figure AS105.1(1) or AS105.1(2). Sill plates shall support and be flush with each face of the *straw bales* above and shall be of naturally durable or preservative-treated wood where required by this code. Sill plates shall be not less than nominal 51 mm by 100 mm (2 inches by 4 inches) with anchoring complying with Section R403.1.6 and the additional requirements of Tables AS105.4 and AS106.6(1), where applicable.

AS105.3.1 Exterior sill plate flashing. Exterior sill plates shall receive flashing across the plate to slab or foundation joints.

AS105.4 Out-of-plane resistance methods and unrestrained wall dimension limits. *Strawbale* walls shall employ a method of out-of-plane load resistance in accordance with Table AS105.4, and comply with its associated limits and requirements.

loading. Out- of-plane loading for the use of Table AS105.4 shall be in terms of the ultimate design wind speed and seismic design category as determined in accordance with Sections R301.2.1 and R301.2.2.

AS105.4.2 Pins. *Pins* used for out-of-plane resistance shall comply with the following or shall be in accordance with an *approved* engineered design. *Pins* shall be external, internal or a combination of the two.

- a. *Pins* shall be 12.5 mm (¹/₂-inch)-diameter steel, 19 mm (³/₄-inch)-diameter wood or bamboo.
- b. External *pins* shall be installed vertically on both sides of the wall at a spacing of not more than 610 mm (24 inches) on center. External *pins* shall have full lateral bearing on the sill plate and the top plate or roof-bearing element, and shall be tightly tied

**TABLE AS105.4
OUT-OF-PLANE RESISTANCE METHODS AND UNRESTRAINED WALL DIMENSION LIMITS**

METHOD OF OUT-OF-PLANE LOAD RESISTANCE ^a	FOR ULTIMATE DESIGN WIND SPEEDS (m/s)	FOR SEISMIC DESIGN CATEGORIES	UNRESTRAINED WALL DIMENSIONS, H ^b		MESH STAPLE SPACING AT BOUNDARY RESTRAINTS
			Absolute limit in millimetres	Limit based on bale thickness T ^c in millimetres	
Nonplaster finish or unreinforced plaster	□ 58.11	A, B, C, D ₀	H □ 2,440	H □ 1,525T	None required
Pins per Section AS105.4.2	□ 58.11	A, B, C, D ₀	H □ 3,660	H □ 2,440T	None required
Pins per Section AS105.4.2	□ 62.58	A, B, C, D ₀ , D ₁ , D ₂	H □ 3,050	H □ 2,135T	None required
Reinforced ^d clay plaster	□ 62.58	A, B, C, D ₀ , D ₁ , D ₂	H □ 3,050	H □ 2,440T ^{0.5} (H □ 42,672T ^{0.5})	□ 150 mm
Reinforced ^d clay plaster	□ 62.58	A, B, C, D ₀ , D ₁ , D ₂	3,050 < H □ 3,660	H □ 2,440T ^{0.5} (H □ 42,672T ^{0.5})	□ 100 mm ^e
Reinforced ^d cement, cement-lime, lime or soil-cement plaster	□ 62.58	A, B, C, D ₀ , D ₁ , D ₂	H □ 3,050	H □ 2,745T ^{0.5} (H □ 47,854T ^{0.5})	□ 150 mm
Reinforced ^d cement, cement-lime, lime or soil-cement plaster	□ 69.29	A, B, C, D ₀ , D ₁ , D ₂	H □ 3,660	H □ 2,745T ^{0.5} (H □ 47,854T ^{0.5})	□ 100 mm ^e
50x150 mm load-bearing studs ^f at max. 1,830 mm □ o.c.	□ 62.58	A, B, C, D ₀ , D ₁ , D ₂	H ^g □ 2,745	N/A	None required
50x150 mm load-bearing studs ^f at max. 1,220 mm □ o.c.	□ 62.58	A, B, C, D ₀ , D ₁ , D ₂	H ^g □ 3,050	N/A	None required
50x150 mm load-bearing studs ^f at max. 610 mm □ o.c.	□ 62.58	A, B, C, D ₀ , D ₁ , D ₂	H ^g □ 3,660	N/A	None required
50x100 mm load-bearing studs ^f at max. 610 mm □ o.c.	□ 62.58	A, B, C, D ₀ , D ₁ , D ₂	H ^g □ 3,050	N/A	None required
50x150 mm nonload-bearing studs ^f at max. 1,830 mm □ o.c.	□ 62.58	A, B, C, D ₀ , D ₁ , D ₂	H ^g □ 3,660	N/A	None required

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 m/s = 2.237 mile per hour.
N/A = Not Applicable

1. Finishes applied to both sides of stacked bales. Where different finishes are used on opposite sides of a wall, the more restrictive requirements shall apply.
2. H = Stacked bale height in millimetres (feet) between sill plate and top plate or other approved horizontal restraint, or the horizontal distance in millimetres (feet) between *approved* vertical restraints. For load-bearing walls, H refers to vertical height only.
3. T = Bale thickness in millimetres (feet).
4. Plaster reinforcement shall be any mesh allowed in Table AS106.16 for the matching plaster type, and with staple spacing in accordance with this table. Mesh shall be installed in accordance with Section AS106.9.
5. Sill plate attachment shall be with 16 mm (⁵/₈-inch) anchor bolts or approved equivalent at not more than 1,220 mm (48 inches) on center where staple spacing is required to be at 100 mm (4inches).

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6. Bales shall be attached to the studs by an approved method. Horizontal framing and attachment at top and bottom of studs shall be in accordance with Section R602 or an *approved* alternative. Table R602.7(1) shall be used to determine the top framing member where load-bearing stud spacing exceeds 610 mm (24 inches) o.c.
7. H is vertical height only.

through the wall to an opposing *pin* with *ties* spaced not more than 810 mm (32 inches) apart and not more than 205 mm (8 inches) from each end of the *pins*.

- c. Internal *pins* shall be installed vertically within the center third of the *bales*, at spacing of not more than 610 mm (24 inches) and shall extend from top course to bottom course. The bottom course shall be connected to its support and the top course shall be connected to the roof- or floor-bearing member above with *pins* or other *approved* means. Internal *pins* shall be continuous or shall overlap through not less than one *bale* course.

AS105.5 Connection of light-framed walls to strawbale walls. *Light-framed* walls perpendicular to, or at an angle to a *strawbale* wall assembly, shall be fastened to the bottom and top wood members of the *strawbale* wall in accordance with requirements for wood or cold-formed steel *light-framed* walls in this code, or the abutting stud shall be connected to alternating *strawbale* courses with a 12.5 mm ($1/2$ -inch) diameter steel, 19 mm ($3/4$ -inch)-diameter wood or 16 mm ($5/8$ -inch)-diameter bamboo dowel, with not less than 8-inch (203 mm) penetration.

AS105.6 Moisture control. *Strawbale* walls shall be protected from moisture intrusion and damage in accordance with Sections AS105.6.1 through AS105.6.9.

AS105.6.1 Water-resistant barriers and vapour permeance ratings. *Plastered bale* walls shall be constructed without any membrane barrier between *straw* and *plaster* to facilitate transpiration of moisture from the *bales*, and to secure a structural bond between *straw* and *plaster*, except as permitted or required elsewhere in this appendix. Where a water-resistant barrier is placed behind an exterior finish, it shall have a vapour permeance rating of not less than 5 perms, except as permitted or required elsewhere in this appendix.

AS105.6.2 Vapour retarders. Wall *finishes* shall have an equivalent vapour permeance rating of a Class III vapour retarder on the interior side of exterior *strawbale walls* in Climate Zones 5, 6, 7, 8 and Marine 4, as defined in Chapter 11. *Bales* in walls enclosing showers or steam rooms shall be protected on the interior side by a Class I or Class II vapour retarder.

AS105.6.3 Penetrations in exterior strawbale walls. Penetrations in exterior *strawbale* walls shall be sealed with an *approved* sealant or gasket on the exterior side of the wall in all climate zones, and on the interior side of the wall in Climate Zones 5, 6, 7, 8 and Marine 4, as defined in Chapter 11.

AS105.6.4 Horizontal surfaces. *Bale* walls and other *bale* elements shall be provided with a water-resistant barrier at weather-exposed horizontal surfaces. The water-resistant barrier shall be of a material and installation that will prevent water from entering the wall system. Horizontal surfaces shall include exterior window sills, sills at exterior niches and buttresses. Horizontal surfaces shall be sloped not less than 1 unit vertical in 12 units horizontal (8-percent slope)

and shall drain away from *bale* walls and elements. Where the water-resistant barrier is below the finish material, it shall be sloped not less than 1 unit vertical in 12 units horizontal (8-percent slope) and shall drain to the outside surface of the *bale* wall's vertical finish.

AS105.6.5 Separation of bales and concrete. A sheet or liquid-applied Class II *vapour retarder* shall be installed between bales and supporting concrete or masonry. The bales shall be separated from the vapour retarder by not less than 19 mm ($3/4$ inch), and that space shall be filled with

an insulating material such as wood or rigid insulation, or a material that allows vapour dispersion such as gravel, or other approved insulating or vapour dispersion material. Sill plates shall be installed at this interface in accordance with Section AS105.3. Where bales abut a concrete or masonry wall that retains earth, a Class II vapour retarder shall be provided between such wall and the bales.

AS105.6.6 Separation of bales and earth. *Bales* shall be separated from earth by not less than 205 mm (8 inches).

AS105.6.7 Separation of exterior plaster and earth. Exterior plaster applied to *straw bales* shall be located not less than 150 mm (6 inches) above earth or 76 mm (3 inches) above paved areas.

AS105.6.8 Separation of wood and plaster. Where wood framing or wood sheathing occurs at the exterior face of *strawbale* walls, such wood surfaces shall be separated from exterior plaster with two layers of Grade D paper, No. 15 asphalt felt or other *approved* material in accordance with Section R703.7.3.

Exceptions:

1. Where the wood is preservative treated or *naturally durable* and is not greater than 38 mm ($1\frac{1}{2}$ inches) in width.
2. Clay plaster shall not be required to be separated from untreated wood that is not greater than 38 mm ($1\frac{1}{2}$ inches) in width.

AS105.6.9 Separation of exterior plaster and foundation. Exterior plaster shall be separated from the building foundation with a moisture barrier.

AS105.7 Inspections. The *Local Authority* shall inspect the following aspects of *strawbale* construction in accordance with Section R109.1:

- i. Sill plate anchors, as part of and in accordance with Section R109.1.1.
- ii. Mesh placement and attachment, where mesh is required by this appendix.
- iii. *Pins*, where required by and in accordance with Section AS105.4.

AS105.8 Voids and stuffing. Voids between *bales* and between *bales* and framing members shall not exceed 100 mm (4 inches) in width, and such voids shall be tightly stuffed with *flakes*, loose straw or *straw-clay* before application of finish.

**SECTION AS106
STRAWBALE WALLS—STRUCTURAL**

AS106.1 General. Plastered *strawbale* walls shall be permitted to be used as structural walls in accordance with the prescriptive provisions of this section.

AS106.2 Building limitations and requirements for use of strawbale structural walls. *Buildings* using strawbale structural walls shall be subject to the following limitations and requirements:

- a. Number of stories: Not more than one.
- b. *Building* height: Not more than 7,620 mm (25 feet).
- c. Wall height: In accordance with Table AS105.4, AS106.13(2) or AS106.13(3) as applicable, whichever is most restrictive.
- d. Braced wall panel lengths: The greater of the values determined in accordance with Tables AS106.13(2) and AS106.13(3) for *buildings* using strawbale braced wall panels, or in accordance with Item 4 of Section AS105.2 for *buildings* with *load-bearing strawbale walls* that do not use *strawbale* braced wall panels.

AS106.3 Loads and other limitations. Live and dead loads and other limitations shall be in accordance with Section R301. *Strawbale* wall dead loads shall not exceed 2,872 N/m² 60 psf per face area of wall.

AS106.4 Foundations. Foundations for plastered *strawbale* walls shall be in accordance with Chapter 4, Figure AS105.1(1) or Figure AS105.1(2).

AS106.5 Configuration of bales. *Bales* in *strawbale* structural walls shall be laid flat or on-edge and in a running bond or stack bond, except that bales in structural walls with unreinforced plasters shall be laid in a running bond only.

AS106.6 Plaster on structural walls. Plaster on *load-bearing* walls shall be in accordance with Table AS106.12. Plaster on shear walls shall be in accordance with Table AS106.13(1).

AS106.6.1 Compressive strength. For plaster on *strawbale* structural walls, the *Local Authority* may require a 51 mm (2-inch) cube test conforming to ASTM C109 to demonstrate a minimum compressive strength in accordance with Table AS106.6.1.

**TABLE AS106.6.1
MINIMUM COMPRESSIVE STRENGTH FOR
PLASTERS ON STRUCTURAL WALLS**

PLASTER TYPE	MINIMUM COMPRESSIVE STRENGTH (N/m ²)
Clay	689,476
Soil-cement	6,894,760
Lime	4,136,856
Cement-lime	6,894,760
Cement	9,652,664

For SI: 1 N/m²= 0.000145 pound per square inch.

AS106.7 Straightness of plaster. Plaster on *strawbale* structural walls shall be straight, as a function of the bale wall surfaces they are applied to, in accordance with all of the following:

- i. As measured across the face of a *bale*, *straw* bulges shall not protrude more than 19 mm (³/₄ inch) across 610 mm (2 feet) of its height or length.
- ii. As measured across the face of a *bale* wall, *straw* bulges shall not protrude from the vertical plane of a *bale* wall more than 51 mm (2 inches) over 2,450 mm (8 feet).
- iii. The vertical faces of adjacent *bales* shall not be offset more than 10 mm (³/₈ inch).

AS106.8 Plaster and membranes. *Strawbale* structural walls shall not have a membrane between straw and plaster, or shall have attachment through the *bale* wall from one plaster skin to the other in accordance with an *approved* engineered design.

AS106.9 Mesh. Mesh in plasters on *strawbale* structural walls, and where required by Table AS105.4, shall be installed in accordance with Sections AS106.9.1 through AS106.9.4.

AS106.9.1 Mesh laps. Mesh required by Table AS105.4 or AS106.12 shall be installed with not less than 100 mm (4-inch) laps. Mesh required by Table AS106.13(1) or in walls designed to resist wind uplift of more than 1,459 N/m (100 plf), shall run continuous vertically from sill plate to the top plate or roof-bearing element, or shall lap not less than 205 mm (8 inches). Horizontal laps in such mesh shall be not less than 100 mm (4 inches).

AS106.9.2 Mesh attachment. Mesh shall be attached with staples to top plates or roof-bearing elements and to sill plates in accordance with all of the following:

- a. **Staples.** Staples shall be pneumatically driven, stain- less steel or electro-galvanized, 16 gage with 38 mm (1½-inch) legs, 11.1 mm (⁷/₁₆-inch) crown; or manually driven, galvanized, 15 gage with 25 mm (1-inch) legs. Other staples shall be as designed by a registered design professional. Staples into preservative-treated wood shall be stainless steel.
- b. **Staple orientation.** Staples shall be firmly driven diagonally across mesh intersections at the required spacing.
- c. **Staple spacing.** Staples shall be spaced not more than 100 mm (4 inches) on center, except where a lesser spacing is required by Table AS106.13(1) or Section AS106.14, as applicable.

AS106.9.3 Steel mesh. Steel mesh shall be galvanized, and shall be separated from preservative-treated wood by Grade D paper, No. 15 roofing felt or other *approved* barrier.

AS106.9.4 Mesh in plaster. Required mesh shall be embedded in the plaster except where staples fasten the mesh to horizontal boundary elements.

AS106.10 Support of plaster skins. Plaster *skins* on *strawbale* structural walls shall be continuously supported along their bottom edge. Acceptable supports include: a concrete or masonry stem wall, a concrete slab-on-grade, a wood-framed floor in accordance with Figure AS105.1(2) and an *approved* engineered design or a steel angle anchored with an *approved* engineered design. A weep screed as described in Section R702.7.2.1 is not an acceptable support.

AS106.11 Transfer of loads to and from plaster skins. Where plastered *strawbale* walls are used to support superimposed vertical loads, such loads shall be transferred to the plaster *skins* by continuous direct bearing in accordance with Figure AS105.1(3) or by an *approved* engineered design. Where plastered *strawbale* walls are used to resist in-plane lateral loads, such loads shall be transferred to the reinforcing mesh from the structural member or assembly above in accordance with Figure AS105.1(3) or AS105.1(4) and to the sill plate in accordance with Figure AS105.1(1) or AS105.1(2) and with Table AS106.13(1).

AS106.12 Load-bearing walls. Bearing capacities for plastered *strawbale* walls used as load-bearing walls in one-story buildings to support vertical loads imposed in accordance with Section R301 shall be in accordance with Table AS106.12.

AS106.12.1 Precompression of load-bearing strawbale walls. Prior to application of plaster, walls designed to be load-bearing shall be precompressed by a uniform load of not less than 1,459 N/m (100 plf).

AS106.12.2 Concentrated loads. Concentrated loads shall be distributed by structural elements capable of distributing the loads to the bearing wall within the allowable bearing capacity listed in Table AS106.12 for the plaster type used.

AS106.12.3 Roof-bearing assembly. Roof-bearing assemblies shall be of nominal 51 mm by 152 mm (2-inch by 6-inch) lumber with 12 mm (¹⁵/₃₂-inch) plywood or OSB panels fastened with 8d nails at 150 mm (6 inches) on center in accordance with Figure AS105.1(3) and Items 1 through 6, or be of an *approved* engineered design.

- i. Assembly shall be a box assembly on the top course of *bales*, with the panels horizontal.

- ii. Assembly shall be the width of the *strawbale* wall and shall comply with Section AS106.11.
- iii. Discontinuous lumber shall be spliced with a metal strap with not less than a 2,224 N (500-pound) allowable wind or seismic load tension capacity. Where the wall line includes a braced wall panel the strap shall have not less than a 8,896 N (2,000-pound) capacity.
- iv. Panel joints shall be blocked.
- v. Roof and ceiling framing shall be attached to the roof-bearing assembly in accordance with Table R602.3(1), Items 2 and 6.
- vi. Where the roof-bearing assembly spans wall openings, it shall comply with Section AS106.12.3.1

AS106.12.3.1 Roof-bearing assembly spanning openings. Roof-bearing assemblies that span openings in *strawbale* walls shall comply with the following at each opening:

1. Lumber on each side of the assembly shall be of the dimensions and quantity required to span each opening in accordance with Table R602.7(1).
2. The required lumber in the assembly shall be supported at each side of the opening by the number of jack studs required by Table R602.7(1), or shall extend beyond the opening on both sides a distance, *D*, using the following formula:

$$D = 304.8S \sqrt{R/2 / (1-R)} \quad \text{(Equation AS-1)}$$

where:

D = Minimum distance (in millimetres [feet]) for required spanning lumber to extend beyond the opening

S = Span in millimetres (feet)

$$R = B_L / B_C$$

B_L = Design load on the wall (in N/m [pounds per lineal foot]) in accordance with Sections R301.4 and R301.6

B_C = Allowable bearing capacity of the wall in accordance with Table AS106.12

**TABLE AS106.12
ALLOWABLE SUPERIMPOSED VERTICAL LOADS (LBS/FOOT) FOR PLASTERED LOAD-BEARING STRAWBALE WALLS**

WALL DESIGNATION	PLASTER^a (both sides) Minimum thickness in millimeters each side	MESH^b	STAPLES^c	ALLOWABLE BEARING CAPACITY^d (N/m)
A	Clay 38	None required	None required	5,837.56
B	Soil-cement 25	Required	Required	11,675.12
C	Lime 22	Required	Required	7,296.95
D	Cement-lime 22	Required	Required	11,675.12
E	Cement 22	Required	Required	11,675.12

For SI: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 N/m = 0.06852 pound per foot.

- a) Plasters shall conform to Sections AS104.4.3 through AS104.4.8, AS106.7 and AS106.10.
- b) Any metal mesh allowed by this appendix and installed in accordance with Section AS106.9.
- c) In accordance with Section AS106.9.2, except as required to transfer roof loads to the plaster skins in accordance with Section AS106.11.
- d) For walls with a different plaster on each side, the lower value shall be used.

AS106.13 Braced wall panels. Plastered *strawbale* walls used as braced wall panels for one-story *buildings* shall be in accordance with Section R602.10 and Tables AS106.13(1), AS106.13(2) and AS106.13(3). Wind design criteria shall be in accordance with Section R301.2.1. Seismic design criteria shall be in accordance with Section R301.2.2.

AS106.13.1 Bale wall thickness. The thickness of *strawbale* braced wall panels without their plaster shall be not less than 380 mm (15 inches).

AS106.13.2 Sill plates. Sill plates shall be in accordance with Table AS106.13(1).

AS106.13.3 Sill plate fasteners. Sill plates shall be fastened with not less than 16 mm (⁵/₈-inch)-diameter steel anchor bolts with 76 mm by 76 mm by 4.8 mm (3-inch by 3-inch by ³/₁₆-inch) steel washers, with not less than 180 mm (7-inch) embedment in a concrete or masonry foundation, or shall be an *approved* equivalent, with the spacing shown in Table AS106.13(1). Anchor bolts or other fasteners into framed floors shall be of an *approved* engineered design.

AS106.14 Resistance to wind uplift forces. Plaster mesh in *skins* of *strawbale walls* that resist uplift forces from the roof assembly, as determined in accordance with Section R802.11, shall be in accordance with all of the following:

- a) Plaster shall be any type and thickness allowed in Section AS104.
- b) Mesh shall be any type allowed in Table AS106.13(1), and shall be attached to top plates or roof-bearing elements and to sill plates in accordance with Section AS106.9.2.

- c) Sill plates shall be not less than nominal 51 mm by 100 mm (2-inch by 4-inch) with anchoring complying with Section R403.1.6.
- d) Mesh attached with staples at 100 mm (4 inches) on center shall be considered to be capable of resisting uplift forces of 1,459 N/m (100 plf) for each plaster skin.
- e) Mesh attached with staples at 51 mm (2 inches) on center shall be considered to be capable of resisting uplift forces of 2,918 N/m (200 plf) for each plaster skin.

AS106.15 Post-and-beam with strawbale infill. Post-and-beam with *strawbale* infill systems shall be in accordance with Figure AS105.1(4) and Items 1 through 6, or be of an *approved* engineered design.

Beams shall be of the dimensions and number of members in accordance with Table R602.7(1), where the space between posts equals the span in the table.

Beam ends shall bear over posts not less than 38 mm (1½ inches) or be supported by a framing anchor in accordance with Table R602.7(1).

Discontinuous beam ends shall be spliced with a metal strap with not less than 454 kg (1,000-pound) wind or seismic load tension capacity. Where the wall line includes a braced wall panel, the strap shall have not less than a 1,814 kg (4,000-pound) capacity.

Each post shall equal NJ + 1 in accordance with Table R602.7(1), where the space between posts equals the span in the table.

- v. Posts shall be connected to the beam by an *approved* means.
- vi. Roof and ceiling framing shall be attached to the beam in accordance with Table R602.3(1), Items 2 and 6.

**TABLE AS106.13(1)
PLASTERED STRAWBALE BRACED WALL PANEL TYPES**

WALL DESIGNATION	PLASTER ^a (both sides)		SILL PLATES ^b (nominal size in millimetres)	ANCHOR BOLT ^c SPACING (mm on center)	MESH ^d (millimetres)	STAPLE SPACING ^e (mm on center)
	Type	Thickness (minimum in millimetres each side)				
A1	Clay	38	51 Ⓞ 100	813	None	None
A2	Clay	38	51 Ⓞ 100	813	51 Ⓞ 51 high-density polypropylene	51
A3	Clay	38	51 Ⓞ 100	813	51 Ⓞ 51 Ⓞ 14 gage	100
B	Soil-cement	25	100 Ⓞ 100	610	51 Ⓞ 51 Ⓞ 14 gage	51
C1	Lime	22	100 Ⓞ 100	813	17-gage woven wire	76
C2	Lime	22	100 Ⓞ 100	610	51 Ⓞ 51 Ⓞ 14 gage	51
D1	Cement-lime	22	100 Ⓞ 100	813	17 gage woven wire	51
D2	Cement-lime	22	100 Ⓞ 100	610	51 Ⓞ 51 Ⓞ 14 gage	51
E1	Cement	22	100 Ⓞ 100	813	51 Ⓞ 51 Ⓞ 14 gage	51
E2	Cement	38	100 Ⓞ	610	51 Ⓞ 51 Ⓞ 14 gage	51

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For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch.

- i. Plasters shall comply with Sections AS104.4.3 through AS104.4.8, AS106.7, AS106.8 and AS106.12.
- ii. Sill plates shall be Douglas fir-larch or southern pine and shall be preservative treated where required by the *Jamaica Residential Code*.
- iii. Anchor bolts shall be in accordance with Section AS106.13.3 at the spacing shown in this table.
- iv. Installed in accordance with Section AS106.9.
- v. Staples shall be in accordance with Section AS106.9.2 at the spacing shown in this table.

TABLE AS106.13(2)
BRACING REQUIREMENTS FOR STRAWBALE-BRACED WALL PANELS BASED ON WIND SPEED

a) EXPOSURE CATEGORY B ^d b) 7,620 mm MEAN ROOF HEIGHT c) 3,050 mm EAVE-TO-RIDGE HEIGHT ^d d) 3,050 mm WALL HEIGHT ^d e) 2 BRACED WALL LINES ^d			MINIMUM TOTAL LENGTH (MILLIMETRES) OF STRAWBALE BRACED WALL PANELS REQUIRED ALONG EACH BRACED WALL LINE ^{a, b, c, d}		
Ultimate design wind speed (m/s)	Story location	Braced wall line spacing (mm)	Strawbale-braced wall panel ^e A2, A3	Strawbale-braced wall panel ^e C1, C2, D1	Strawbale-braced wall panel ^e B, D2, E1, E2
□ 49.17	One-story building	3,050	1,952	1,159	915
		6,100	2,593	1,556	1,220
		9,150	3,111	1,861	1,464
		12,200	4,054	2,105	1,678
		15,250	4,968	2,349	1,861
		18,300	5,913	2,532	2,013
□ 51.41	One-story building	3,050	1,952	1,159	915
		6,100	2,593	1,556	1,220
		9,150	3,414	1,952	1,556
		12,200	4,359	2,196	1,739
		15,250	5,608	2,471	1,983
		18,300	6,523	2,684	2,135
□ 53.64	One-story building	3,050	2,164	1,312	1,037
		6,100	2,743	1,647	1,312
		9,150	3,719	2,013	1,617
		12,200	4,968	2,349	1,861
		15,250	5,913	2,532	2,013
		18,300	7,163	2,806	2,227
□ 58.11	One-story building	3,050	2,164	1,312	1,037
		6,100	3,111	1,861	1,464
		9,150	4,362	2,196	1,739
		12,200	5,612	2,471	1,983
		15,250	6,832	2,745	2,166
		18,300	8,083	2,989	2,379
□ 62.58	One-story building	3,050	2,379	1,434	1,129
		6,100	3,416	1,952	1,556
		9,150	4,972	2,349	1,861
		12,200	6,527	2,684	2,135
		15,250	8,083	2,989	2,379
		18,300	9,333	3,355	2,532

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 m/s = 2.237 mile per hour.

- a. Linear interpolation shall be permitted.
- b. All braced wall panels shall be without openings and shall have an aspect ratio (H:L) □ 2:1.
- c. Tabulated minimum total lengths are for braced wall lines using single-braced wall panels with an aspect ratio (H:L) □ 2:1, or using multiple braced wall panels with aspect ratios (H:L) □ 1:1. For braced wall lines using two or more braced wall panels with an aspect ratio (H:L) > 1:1, the minimum total length shall be multiplied by the largest aspect ratio (H:L) of braced wall panels in that line.
- d. Subject to applicable wind adjustment factors associated with “All methods” in Table R602.10.3(2)
 - e. Strawbale braced panel types indicated shall comply with Sections AS106.13.1 through AS106.13.3 and with Table AS106.13(1).

TABLE AS106.13(3)
BRACING REQUIREMENTS FOR STRAWBALE-BRACED WALL PANELS BASED ON SEISMIC DESIGN CATEGORY

i. SOIL CLASS D' ii. WALL HEIGHT = 3,050 MILLIMETRES ^d iii. 0.7185 kPa ROOF-CEILING DEAD LOAD ^d iv. BRACED WALL LINE SPACING \square 7,625 MILLIMETRES ^d			MINIMUM TOTAL LENGTH (MILLIMETRES) OF STRAWBALE- BRACED WALL PANELS REQUIRED ALONG EACH BRACED WALL LINE ^{a, b, c, d}	
Seismic Design Category	Story location	Braced wall line length (millimetres)	Strawbale-braced wall panel ^a A2, C1, C2, D1	Strawbale-braced wall panel ^a B, D2, E1, E2
C	One-story building	3,050	1,739	1,403
		6,100	2,440	1,983
		9,150	2,989	2,410
		12,200	3,935	2,776
		15,250	4,911	3,172
D ₀	One-story building	3,050	1,830	1,464
		6,100	2,593	2,074
		9,150	3,325	2,562
		12,200	4,423	2,959
		15,250	5,521	3,569
D ₁	One-story building	3,050	1,922	1,556
		6,100	2,745	2,196
		9,150	3,691	2,684
		12,200	4,911	3,172
		15,250	6,131	3,965
D ₂	One-story building	3,050	2,166	1,739
		6,100	3,081	2,471
		9,150	4,606	3,020
		12,200	6,131	3,965
		15,250	7,656	4,972

For Inch Pound Units: 1 mm = 0.03937 inch, 1 mm = 0.00328 foot, 1 kPa = 20.8768 pound per square foot.

i. Linear interpolation shall be permitted.

ii. Braced wall panels shall be without openings and shall have an aspect ratio (H:L) \square 2:1.

iii. Tabulated minimum total lengths are for braced wall lines using single braced wall panels with an aspect ratio (H:L) \square 2:1, or using multiple braced wall panels with aspect ratios (H:L) \square 1:1. For braced wall lines using two or more braced wall panels with an aspect ratio (H:L) > 1:1, the minimum total length shall be multiplied by the largest aspect ratio (H:L) of braced wall panels in that line.

iv. Subject to applicable seismic adjustment factors associated with “All methods” in Table R602.10.3(4), except “Wall dead load.”

v. Strawbale braced wall panel types indicated shall comply with Sections AS106.13.1 through AS106.13.3 and Table AS106.13(1).

vi. Wall bracing lengths are based on a soil site class “D.” Interpolation of bracing lengths between S_{ds} values associated with the seismic design categories is allowable where a site-specific S_{ds} value is determined in accordance with Section 1613.3 of the *Jamaica Building Code*.

approved *clay* plaster.

**SECTION AS107
FIRE RESISTANCE**

AS107.1 Fire-resistance rating. *Strawbale* walls shall not be considered to exhibit a fire-resistance rating, except for walls constructed in accordance with Section AS107.1.1 or AS107.1.2. Alternately, fire-resistance ratings of *strawbale* walls shall be determined in accordance with Section R302.

AS107.1.1 One-hour-rated clay-plastered wall. One-hour fire-resistance-rated nonload-bearing clay plastered *strawbale* walls shall comply with all of the following:

- a. *Bales* shall be laid flat or on-edge in a running bond.
- b. *Bales* shall maintain thickness of not less than 455 mm (18 inches).
- c. *Bales* shall have a minimum density of 120 kg/m³ (7.5 pounds per cubic foot).
- d. Gaps shall be stuffed with *straw-clay*.
- e. *Clay* plaster on each side of the wall shall be not less than 25 mm (1 inch) thick and shall be composed of a mixture of 3 parts clay, 2 parts chopped straw and 6 parts sand, or an alternative

- f. Plaster application shall be in accordance with Section AS104.4.3.3 for the number and thickness of coats.

AS107.1.2 Two-hour-rated cement-plastered wall.

Two-hour fire-resistance-rated nonload-bearing cement-plastered strawbale walls shall comply with all of the following:

- a) Bales shall be laid flat or on-edge in a running bond.
- b) Bales shall maintain a thickness of not less than 355 mm (14 inches).
- c) *Bales* shall have a minimum density of 120 kg/m³ (7.5 pounds per cubic foot).
- d) Gaps shall be stuffed with *straw-clay*.
- e) A single section of 38 mm (1/2-inch) by 17-gage galvanized woven wire mesh shall be attached to wood members with 38 mm (1 1/2-inch) staples at 150 mm (6 inches) on center. 9 gage U-pins with not less than 8-inch (203 mm) legs shall be installed at 455 mm (18 inches) on center to fasten the mesh to the *bales*.

- f) Cement plaster on each side of the wall shall be not less than 25 mm (1 inch) thick.
- g) Plaster application shall be in accordance with Section AS104.4.8 for the number and thickness of coats.

AS107.2 Openings in rated walls. Openings and penetrations in *bale* walls required to have a fire-resistance rating shall satisfy the same requirements for openings and penetrations as prescribed in this code.

AS107.3 Clearance to fireplaces and chimneys. *Strawbale* surfaces adjacent to fireplaces or chimneys shall be finished with not less than 10 mm (³/₈-inch)-thick plaster of any type permitted by this appendix. Clearance from the face of such plaster to fireplaces and chimneys shall be maintained as required from fireplaces and chimneys to combustibles in Chapter 10, or as required by manufacturer’s instructions, whichever is more restrictive.

**SECTION AS108
THERMAL INSULATION**

AS108.1 R-value. The unit *R*-value of a *strawbale* wall with bales laid flat is R-1.55 for each inch of *bale* thickness. The unit *R*-value of a *strawbale* wall with *bales* on-edge is R-1.85 for each inch of *bale* thickness.

AS108.2 Compliance with Section R302.10.1. *Straw bales* meet the requirements for insulation materials in Section R302.10.1 for flame spread index and smoke-developed index as tested in accordance with ASTM E84.

**SECTION AS109
REFERENCED STANDARDS**

ASTM C5—10	Standard Specification for AS104.4.6.1 Quicklime for Structural Purposes	
ASTM C109/C109M—2015e1	Standard Test Method for Compressive Strength of Hydraulic Cement Mortars	AS106.6.1
ASTM C141/C141M—14	Standard Specification for Hydrated Hydraulic Lime for Structural Purposes	AS104.4.6.1
ASTM C206—14	Standard Specification for Finishing Hydrated Lime	AS104.4.6.1
ASTM C926—15B	Standard Specification for Application of Portland Cement Based Plaster	AS104.4.7 AS104.4.8
ASTM C1707—11	Standard Specification for Pozzolanitic Hydraulic Lime for Structural Purposes	AS104.4.6.1
ASTM E2392/ ASTM E2392M—10	Standard Guide for Design of Earthen Wall Building Systems	AS104.4.3.2
ASTM BS1 ASTM BS EN 459—2015	Part 1: Building Lime. Definitions, Specifications and Conformity Criteria; Part 2: Test Methods	AS104.4.6.1

APPENDIX T [RE]

SOLAR-READY PROVISIONS—DETACHED ONE- AND TWO-FAMILY DWELLINGS AND TOWNHOUSES

The provisions contained in this appendix are not mandatory but for information only.

User note:

About this appendix: Harnessing the heat or radiation from the sun's rays is a method to reduce the energy consumption of a building. Although Appendix T does not require solar systems to be installed for a building, it does require the space(s) for installing such systems, providing pathways for connections and requiring adequate structural capacity of roof systems to support solar systems.

Section numbers in parenthesis are those in Appendix A of the residential provisions of the Jamaica Energy Conservation Code®.

SECTION T101 SCOPE

T101.1 (RA101.1) General. These provisions shall be applicable for new construction where solar-ready provisions are required.

SECTION T102 (RA102) GENERAL DEFINITION

T102.1 General. The following term shall, for the purpose of this appendix, have the meaning shown herein.

SOLAR-READY ZONE. A section or sections of the roof or building overhang designated and reserved for the future installation of a solar photovoltaic or solar thermal system.

SECTION T103 (RA103) SOLAR-READY ZONE

T103.1 General. New detached one- and two-family dwellings, and townhouses with not less than 56 m² (600 square feet) of roof area oriented between 90 degrees and 270 degrees of true north, shall comply with Sections T103.2 through T103.10.

Exceptions:

1. New residential buildings with a permanently installed on-site renewable energy system.
2. A building where all areas of the roof that would otherwise meet the requirements of Section T103 are in full or partial shade for more than 70 percent of daylight hours annually.

T103.2 (RA103.2) Construction document requirements for solar-ready zone. Construction documents shall indicate the solar-ready zone.

T103.3 (RA103.3) Solar-ready zone area. The total solar-ready zone area shall be not less than 28 m² (300 square feet) exclusive of mandatory access or setback areas as required by the *Jamaica Fire Code*. New townhouses three stories or less in height above grade plane and with a

total floor area less than or equal to 186 m² (2,000 square feet) per dwelling shall have a solar-ready zone area of not less than 14 m² (150 square feet). The solar-ready zone shall be composed of areas not less than 1,525 mm (5 feet) in width and not less than 7.5 m² (80 square feet) exclusive of access or set-back areas as required by the *Jamaica Fire Code*.

T103.4 (RA103.4) Obstructions. Solar-ready zones shall be free from obstructions, including but not limited to vents, chimneys, and roof-mounted equipment.

T103.5 Shading. The solar-ready zone shall be set back from any existing or new, permanently affixed object on the building or site that is located south, east or west of the solar zone a distance not less than two times the object's height above the nearest point on the roof surface. Such objects include, but are not limited to, taller portions of the building itself, parapets, chimneys, antennas, signage, rooftop equipment, trees and roof plantings.

T103.6 Capped roof penetration sleeve. A capped roof penetration sleeve shall be provided adjacent to a solar-ready zone located on a roof slope of not greater than 1 unit vertical in 12 units horizontal (8-percent slope). The capped roof penetration sleeve shall be sized to accommodate the future photovoltaic system conduit, but shall have an inside diameter of not less than 32 mm (1¹/₄ inches).

T103.7 (RA103.5) Roof load documentation. The structural design loads for roof dead load and roof live load shall be clearly indicated on the construction documents.

T103.8 (RA103.6) Interconnection pathway. Construction documents shall indicate pathways for routing of conduit or plumbing from the solar-ready zone to the electrical service panel or service hot water system.

T103.9 (RA103.7) Electrical service reserved space. The main electrical service panel shall have a reserved space to allow installation of a dual pole circuit breaker for future solar electric installation and shall be labelled "For Future Solar Electric." The reserved space shall be positioned at the opposite (load) end from the input feeder location or main circuit location.

T103.10 (RA103.8) Construction documentation certificate. A permanent certificate, indicating the solar-ready zone and other requirements of this section, shall be posted near the electrical distribution panel, water heater or other conspicuous location by the builder or registered design building professional.

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Page 8, **Section R110.2:** line 3 now reads . . . tions 507 and 508 of the *Jamaica Existing Building Code*.

Page 99, **Section R403.1.4:** line 4 now reads . . . ings shall also conform to Section R403.1.4.1.

Page 110, **TABLE R403:** title now reads . . . TABLE R403.4 MINIMUM DEPTH (D) AND WIDTH (W) OF CRUSHED STONE FOOTINGS^{a, b} (inches)

Page 187, **TABLE R602.7(1)—continued:** row 4 now reads . . .

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Page 480, **TABLE N1102.1.2 (R402.1.2):** Note f now reads . . . f. Basement wall insulation shall not be required in warm-humid locations as defined by Figure N1101.7 and Table N1101.7.

Page 486, **Section N1103.6 (R403.6):** line 3 now reads . . . with the requirements of Section M1505 or with other

Page 492, **TABLE N1106.4 (R406.4):** Note a, line 5 now reads . . . N1102.1.2 or Table N1102.1.4 of the 2015 *International Residential Code*.

Page 493, **N1108.1.1.3 (R502.1.1.3):** line 3 now reads . . . tion shall comply with Section N1103.5.

Page 498, **Section M1305.1.3:** Exception 2, line 2 now reads . . . less than 6 feet high (1829 mm) and 22 inches

Page 553, **Section G2411.2.1 (310.2.1):** line 1 now reads . . . **G2411.2.1 (310.2.1) Point of connection.** The bonding

Page 593, **Section G2427.7.13 (503.7.13):** line 3 now reads . . . G2427.6.11.

Page 690, **Section E3405.2:** paragraph 2, line 2 now reads . . . tion or function to be located in a space with limited access,

Page 709, **Section E3609.3.2:** Exception, line 3 now reads . . . systems are not likely to be used. [250.94(B)]

Page 762, **TABLE E4101.5:** column 2, row 4, Exception line 3 now reads . . . and disconnects all ungrounded conductors, such unit switch shall be

Page 766, **Section E4202.1:** line 8 now reads . . . not installed in corrosive environments shall comply with

Page 771, **Section E4204.5.2:** line 2 now reads . . . shall be made in accordance with Section E3406.14.1.

Page 771, **Section E4205.2:** line 5 now reads . . . Section E4202.2, the wiring method of that portion of the

Page 771, **Section E4205.2:** line 6 now reads . . . branch circuit shall be as required in Section E4202.2.1 or

Page 771, **Section E4205.2:** line 8 now reads . . . Where not installed in corrosive environments, branch cir-

Page 771, **Section E4205.2:** line 11 now reads . . . sized in accordance with Table E3908.12 but not smaller than

Page 772, **Section E4205.6:** line 5 now reads . . . corrosive environments as described in Section E4202.2, the

Page 772, **Section E4205.6:** line 7 now reads . . . Section E4202.2.1 or shall be liquid-tight flexible nonmetal-

Page 772, **Section E4205.7:** line 4 now reads . . . storage, as provided in Section E4202.3, the equipment

Page 783, Referenced Standard **AAMA** reference number 711—16 now reads . . . 711—13

Page 787, Referenced Standard **ASCE/SEI** reference number 32—17 now reads . . . 32—01

Page 805, Referenced Standard **AWPA** reference number M4—16 now reads . . . M4—15

Page 926, **Section AR103.5.5:** row 2 now reads . . . spaced not less than 1/2 inch (12.7 mm) from the light

Page 926, **Section AR105** has been added

Page 928, **FIGURE AS102.1:** title now reads . . . **FIGURE AS101.1 TYPICAL STRAWBALE WALL SYSTEMS**

Page 943, Appendix disclaimer now reads . . . The provisions contained in this appendix are not mandatory unless specifically referenced in the adopting ordinance.

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