

# 2021 Virginia Construction Code

## CHAPTER 8 INTERIOR FINISHES

### SECTION 808 ACOUSTICAL CEILING SYSTEMS

#### **808.1 Acoustical ceiling systems.**

The quality, design, fabrication and erection of metal suspension systems for acoustical tile and lay-in panel ceilings in buildings or structures shall conform to generally accepted engineering practice, the provisions of this chapter and other applicable requirements of this code.

##### **808.1.1 Materials and installation.**

Acoustical materials complying with the *interior finish* requirements of [Section 803](#) shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations and applicable provisions for applying *interior finish*.

##### **808.1.1.1 Suspended acoustical ceilings.**

Suspended acoustical ceiling systems shall be installed in accordance with the provisions of [ASTM C635](#) and [ASTM C636](#).

##### **808.1.1.2 Fire-resistance-rated construction.**

Acoustical ceiling systems that are part of fire-resistance-rated construction shall be installed in the same manner used in the assembly tested and shall comply with the provisions of [Chapter 7](#).