

2021 Virginia Construction Code

CHAPTER 7 FIRE AND SMOKE PROTECTION FEATURES

SECTION 721 PRESCRIPTIVE FIRE RESISTANCE

721.1 General.

The provisions of this section contain prescriptive details of fire-resistance-rated *building elements*, components or assemblies. The materials of construction specified in [Tables 721.1\(1\)](#), [721.1\(2\)](#) and [721.1\(3\)](#) shall be assumed to have the *fire-resistance ratings* prescribed therein. Where materials that change the capacity for heat dissipation are incorporated into a fire-resistance-rated assembly, fire test results or other substantiating data shall be made available to the *building official* to show that the required *fire-resistance-rating* time period is not reduced.

TABLE 721.1(1)

MINIMUM PROTECTION OF STRUCTURAL PARTS BASED ON TIME PERIODS FOR VARIOUS NONCOMBUSTIBLE INSULATING MATERIALS^m

STRUCTURAL PARTS TO BE PROTECTED	ITEM NUMBER	INSULATING MATERIAL USED	MINIMUM THICKNESS OF INSULATING MATERIAL FOR THE FOLLOWING FIRE-RESISTANCE PERIODS (inches)			
			4 hours	3 hours	2 hours	1 hour
1. Steel columns and all of primary trusses (continued)	1-1.1	Carbonate, lightweight and sand-lightweight aggregate concrete, members 6" × 6" or greater (not including sandstone, granite and siliceous gravel). ^a	2 1/2	2	1 1/2	1
	1-1.2	Carbonate, lightweight and sand-lightweight aggregate concrete, members 8" × 8" or greater (not including sandstone, granite and siliceous gravel). ^a	2	1 1/2	1	1
	1-1.3	Carbonate, lightweight and sand-lightweight aggregate concrete, members 12" × 12" or greater (not including sandstone, granite and siliceous gravel). ^a	1 1/2	1	1	1
	1-1.4	Siliceous aggregate concrete and concrete excluded in Item 1-1.1, members 6" × 6" or greater. ^a	3	2	1 1/2	1
	1-1.5	Siliceous aggregate concrete and concrete excluded in Item 1-1.1, members 8" × 8" or greater. ^a	2 1/2	2	1	1
	1-1.6	Siliceous aggregate concrete and concrete excluded in Item 1-1.1, members 12" × 12" or greater. ^a	2	1	1	1
	1-2.1	Clay or shale brick with brick and mortar fill. ^a	3 3/4	—	—	2 1/4
	1-3.1	4" hollow clay tile in two 2" layers; 1/2" mortar between tile and column; 3/8" metal mesh 0.046" wire diameter in horizontal joints; tile fill. ^a	4	—	—	—
	1-3.2	2" hollow clay tile; 3/4" mortar between tile and column; 3/8" metal mesh 0.046" wire diameter in horizontal joints; limestone concrete fill ^a ; plastered with 3/4" gypsum plaster.	3	—	—	—
	1-3.3	2" hollow clay tile with outside wire ties 0.08" diameter at each course of tile or 3/8" metal mesh 0.046" diameter wire in horizontal joints; limestone or trap-rock concrete fill ^a extending 1" outside column on all sides.	—	—	3	—
	1-3.4	2" hollow clay tile with outside wire ties 0.08" diameter at each course of tile with or without concrete fill; 3/4" mortar between tile and column.	—	—	—	2
	1-4.1	Cement plaster over metal lath wire tied to 3/4" cold-rolled vertical channels with 0.049" (No. 18 B.W. gage) wire ties spaced 3" to 6" on center. Plaster mixed 1: 2 1/2 by volume, cement to sand.	—	—	2 1/2 ^b	7/8
	1-5.1	Vermiculite concrete, 1:4 mix by volume over paper-backed wire fabric lath wrapped directly around column with additional 2" × 2" 0.065"/0.065" (No. 16/16 B.W. gage) wire fabric placed 3/4" from outer concrete surface. Wire fabric tied with 0.049" (No. 18 B.W. gage) wire spaced 6" on center for inner layer and 2" on center for outer layer.	2	—	—	—
	1-6.1	Perlite or vermiculite gypsum plaster over metal lath wrapped around column and furred 1 1/4" from column flanges. Sheets lapped at ends and tied at 6" intervals with 0.049" (No. 18 B.W. gage) tie wire. Plaster pushed through to flanges.	1 1/2	1	—	—
	1-6.2	Perlite or vermiculite gypsum plaster over self-furring metal lath wrapped directly around column, lapped 1" and tied at 6" intervals with 0.049" (No. 18 B.W. gage) wire.	1 3/4	1 3/8	1	—
	1-6.3	Perlite or vermiculite gypsum plaster on metal lath applied to 3/4" cold-rolled channels spaced 24" apart vertically and wrapped flatwise around column.	1 1/2	—	—	—
	1-6.4	Perlite or vermiculite gypsum plaster over two layers of 1/2" plain full-length gypsum lath applied tight to column flanges. Lath wrapped with 1" hexagonal mesh of No. 20-gage wire and tied with doubled 0.035" diameter (No. 18 B.W. gage) wire ties spaced 23" on center. For three-coat work, the plaster mix for the second coat shall not exceed 100 pounds of gypsum to 2 1/2 cubic feet of aggregate for the 3-hour system.	2 1/2	2	—	—
	1-6.5	Perlite or vermiculite gypsum plaster over one layer of 1/2" plain full-length gypsum lath applied tight to column flanges. Lath tied with doubled 0.049" (No. 18 B.W. gage) wire ties spaced 23" on center and scratch coat wrapped with 1" hexagonal mesh 0.035" (No. 20 B.W. gage) wire fabric. For three-coat work, the plaster mix for the second coat shall not exceed 100 pounds of gypsum to 2 1/2 cubic feet of aggregate.	—	2	—	—

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	1-7.1	Multiple layers of $\frac{1}{2}$ " gypsum wallboard ^c adhesively ^d secured to column flanges and successive layers. Wallboard applied without horizontal joints. Corner edges of each layer staggered. Wallboard layer below outer layer secured to column with doubled 0.049" (No. 18 B.W. gage) steel wire ties spaced 15" on center. Exposed corners taped and treated.	—	—	2	1
	1-7.2	Three layers of $\frac{5}{8}$ " Type X gypsum wallboard. ^c First and second layer held in place by $\frac{1}{8}$ " diameter by $\frac{13}{8}$ " long ring shank nails with $\frac{5}{16}$ " diameter heads spaced 24" on center at corners. Middle layer also secured with metal straps at mid-height and 18" from each end, and by metal corner bead at each corner held by the metal straps. Third layer attached to corner bead with 1" long gypsum wallboard screws spaced 12" on center.	—	—	$1\frac{7}{8}$	—
	1-7.3	Three layers of $\frac{5}{8}$ " Type X gypsum wallboard, ^c each layer screw attached to $1\frac{5}{8}$ " steel studs 0.018" thick (No. 25 carbon sheet steel gage) at each corner of column. Middle layer also secured with 0.049" (No. 18 B.W. gage) double-strand steel wire ties, 24" on center. Screws are No. 6 by 1" spaced 24" on center for inner layer, No. 6 by $1\frac{5}{8}$ " spaced 12" on center for middle layer and No. 8 by $2\frac{1}{4}$ " spaced 12" on center for outer layer.	—	$1\frac{7}{8}$	—	—
	1-8.1	Wood-fibered gypsum plaster mixed 1:1 by weight gypsum-to-sand aggregate applied over metal lath. Lath lapped 1" and tied 6" on center at all end, edges and spacers with 0.049" (No. 18 B.W. gage) steel tie wires. Lath applied over $\frac{1}{2}$ " spacers made of $\frac{3}{4}$ " furring channel with 2" legs bent around each corner. Spacers located 1" from top and bottom of member and not greater than 40" on center and wire tied with a single strand of 0.049" (No. 18 B.W. gage) steel tie wires. Corner bead tied to the lath at 6" on center along each corner to provide plaster thickness.	—	—	$1\frac{5}{8}$	—
	1-9.1	Minimum W8x35 wide flange steel column (w/d ≥ 0.75) with each web cavity filled even with the flange tip with normal weight carbonate or siliceous aggregate concrete (3,000 psi minimum compressive strength with 145 pcf \pm 3 pcf unit weight). Reinforce the concrete in each web cavity with a minimum No. 4 deformed reinforcing bar installed vertically and centered in the cavity, and secured to the column web with a minimum No. 2 horizontal deformed reinforcing bar welded to the web every 18" on center vertically. As an alternative to the No. 4 rebar, $\frac{3}{4}$ " diameter by 3" long headed studs, spaced at 12" on center vertically, shall be welded on each side of the web mid-way between the column flanges.	—	—	—	See Note n
	2-1.1	Carbonate, lightweight and sand-lightweight aggregate concrete (not including sandstone, granite and siliceous gravel) with 3" or finer metal mesh placed 1" from the finished surface anchored to the top flange and providing not less than 0.025 square inch of steel area per foot in each direction.	2	$1\frac{1}{2}$	1	1
	2-1.2	Siliceous aggregate concrete and concrete excluded in Item 2-1.1 with 3" or finer metal mesh placed 1" from the finished surface anchored to the top flange and providing not less than 0.025 square inch of steel area per foot in each direction.	$2\frac{1}{2}$	2	$1\frac{1}{2}$	1
	2-2.1	Cement plaster on metal lath attached to $\frac{3}{4}$ " cold-rolled channels with 0.04" (No. 18 B.W. gage) wire ties spaced 3" to 6" on center. Plaster mixed 1: $2\frac{1}{2}$ by volume, cement to sand.	—	—	$2\frac{1}{2}$ ^b	$\frac{7}{8}$
	2-3.1	Vermiculite gypsum plaster on a metal lath cage, wire tied to 0.165" diameter (No. 8 B.W. gage) steel wire hangers wrapped around beam and spaced 16" on center. Metal lath ties spaced approximately 5" on center at cage sides and bottom.	—	$\frac{7}{8}$	—	—
	2-4.1	Two layers of $\frac{5}{8}$ " Type X gypsum wallboard ^f are attached to U-shaped brackets spaced 24" on center. 0.018" thick (No. 25 carbon sheet steel gage) $1\frac{5}{8}$ " deep by 1" galvanized steel runner channels are first installed parallel to and on each side of the top beam flange to provide a $\frac{1}{2}$ " clearance to the flange. The channel runners are attached to steel deck or concrete floor construction with approved fasteners spaced 12" on center. U-shaped brackets are formed from members identical to the channel runners. At the bent portion of the U-shaped bracket, the flanges of the channel are cut out so that $1\frac{5}{8}$ "-deep corner channels can be inserted without attachment parallel to each side of the lower flange. As an alternative, 0.021" thick (No. 24 carbon sheet steel gage) 1" \times 2" runner and corner angles shall be used in lieu of channels, and the web cutouts in the U-shaped brackets shall not be required. Each angle is attached to the bracket with $\frac{1}{2}$ "-long No. 8 self-drilling screws. The vertical legs of the U-shaped bracket are attached to the runners with one $\frac{1}{2}$ "-long No. 8 self-drilling screw. The completed steel framing provides a $2\frac{1}{8}$ " and $1\frac{1}{2}$ " space between the inner layer of wallboard and the sides and bottom of the steel beam, respectively. The inner layer of wallboard is attached to the top runners and bottom corner channels or corner angles with $1\frac{1}{4}$ "-long No. 6 self-drilling screws spaced 16" on center. The outer layer of wallboard is applied with $1\frac{3}{4}$ "-long No. 6 self-drilling screws spaced 8" on center. The bottom corners are reinforced with metal corner beads.	—	—	$1\frac{1}{4}$	—
	2-4.2	Three layers of $\frac{5}{8}$ " Type X gypsum wallboard ^f attached to a steel suspension system as described immediately above utilizing the 0.018" thick (No. 25 carbon sheet steel gage) 1" \times 2" lower corner angles. The framing is located so that a $2\frac{1}{8}$ " and 2" space is provided between the inner layer of wallboard and the sides and bottom of the beam, respectively. The first two layers of wallboard are attached as described immediately above. A layer of 0.035" thick (No. 20 B.W. gage) 1" hexagonal galvanized wire mesh is applied under the soffit of the middle layer and up the sides approximately 2". The mesh is held in position with the No. 6 $1\frac{5}{8}$ "-long screws installed in the vertical leg of the bottom corner angles. The outer layer of wallboard is attached with No. 6 $2\frac{1}{4}$ "-long screws spaced 8" on center. One screw is installed at the mid-depth of the bracket in each layer. Bottom corners are finished as described above.	—	$1\frac{7}{8}$	—	—

3. Bonded pretensioned reinforcement in prestressed concrete ^e	3-1.1	Carbonate, lightweight, sand-lightweight and siliceous ^f aggregate concrete				
		Beams or girders	4 ^g	3 ^g	2 ^{1/2}	1 ^{1/2}
		Solid ^h		2	1 ^{1/2}	1
4. Bonded or unbonded post-tensioned tendons in prestressed concrete ^{e, i}	4-1.1	Carbonate, lightweight, sand-lightweight and siliceous ^f aggregate concrete				
		Unrestrained members:				
		Solid slabs ^h	—	2	1 ^{1/2}	—
		Beams and girders ^j				
		8" wide		4 ^{1/2}	2 ^{1/2}	1 ^{3/4}
		greater than 12" wide	3	2 ^{1/2}	2	1 ^{1/2}
	4-1.2	Carbonate, lightweight, sand-lightweight and siliceous aggregate				
		Restrained members: ^k				
		Solid slabs ^h	1 ^{1/4}	1	3 ⁴	—
		Beams and girders ^j				
		8" wide	2 ^{1/2}	2	1 ^{3/4}	—
		greater than 12" wide	2	1 ^{3/4}	1 ^{1/2}	—
5. Reinforcing steel in reinforced concrete columns, beams girders and trusses	5-1.1	Carbonate, lightweight and sand-lightweight aggregate concrete, members 12" or larger, square or round. (Size limit does not apply to beams and girders monolithic with floors.)	1 ^{1/2}	1 ^{1/2}	1 ^{1/2}	1 ^{1/2}
		Siliceous aggregate concrete, members 12" or larger, square or round. (Size limit does not apply to beams and girders monolithic with floors.)	2	1 ^{1/2}	1 ^{1/2}	1 ^{1/2}
6. Reinforcing steel in reinforced concrete joists ¹	6-1.1	Carbonate, lightweight and sand-lightweight aggregate concrete	1 ^{1/4}	1 ^{1/4}	1	3 ⁴
	6-1.2	Siliceous aggregate concrete	1 ^{3/4}	1 ^{1/2}	1	3 ⁴
7. Reinforcing and tie rods in floor and roof slabs ¹	7-1.1	Carbonate, lightweight and sand-lightweight aggregate concrete	1	1	3 ⁴	3 ⁴
	7-1.2	Siliceous aggregate concrete	1 ^{1/4}	1	1	3 ⁴

For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm, 1 square inch = 645.2 mm², 1 cubic foot = 0.0283 m³, 1 pound per cubic foot = 16.02 kg/m³.

- Reentrant parts of protected members to be filled solidly.
- Two layers of equal thickness with a 3/4-inch airspace between.
- For all of the construction with gypsum wallboard described in [Table 721.1\(1\)](#), gypsum base for veneer plaster of the same size, thickness and core type shall be permitted to be substituted for gypsum wallboard, provided that attachment is identical to that specified for the wallboard and the joints on the face layer are reinforced, and the entire surface is covered with not less than 1/16-inch gypsum veneer plaster.
- An approved adhesive qualified under [ASTM E119](#) or [UL 263](#).
- Where lightweight or sand-lightweight concrete having an oven-dry weight of 110 pounds per cubic foot or less is used, the tabulated minimum cover shall be permitted to be reduced 25 percent, except that the reduced cover shall be not less than 3/4 inch in slabs or 1 1/2 inches in beams or girders.
- For solid slabs of siliceous aggregate concrete, increase tendon cover 20 percent.
- Adequate provisions against spalling shall be provided by U-shaped or hooped stirrups spaced not to exceed the depth of the member with a clear cover of 1 inch.
- Prestressed slabs shall have a thickness not less than that required in [Table 721.1\(3\)](#) for the respective fire-resistance time period.
- Fire coverage and end anchorages shall be as follows: Cover to the prestressing steel at the anchor shall be 1/2 inch greater than that required away from the anchor. Minimum cover to steel-bearing plate shall be 1 inch in beams and 3/4 inch in slabs.
- For beam widths between 8 inches and 12 inches, cover thickness shall be permitted to be

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determined by interpolation.

- k. Interior spans of continuous slabs, beams and girders shall be permitted to be considered restrained.
- l. For use with concrete slabs having a comparable fire endurance where members are framed into the structure in such a manner as to provide equivalent performance to that of monolithic concrete construction.
- m. Generic fire-resistance ratings (those not designated as PROPRIETARY* in the listing) in [GA-600](#) shall be accepted as if herein specified.
- n. Additional insulating material is not required on the exposed outside face of the column flange to achieve a 1-hour fire-resistance rating.

TABLE 721.1(2)
RATED FIRE-RESISTANCE PERIODS FOR VARIOUS WALLS AND PARTITIONS ^{a, o, p}

MATERIAL	ITEM NUMBER	CONSTRUCTION	MINIMUM FINISHED THICKNESS FACE-TO-FACE ^b (inches)			
			4 hours	3 hours	2 hours	1 hour
1. Brick of clay or shale	1-1.1	Solid brick of clay or shale. ^c	6	4.9	3.8	2.7
	1-1.2	Hollow brick, not filled.	5.0	4.3	3.4	2.3
	1-1.3	Hollow brick unit wall, grout or filled with perlite vermiculite or expanded shale aggregate.	6.6	5.5	4.4	3.0
	1-2.1	4" nominal thick units not less than 75 percent solid backed with a hat-shaped metal furring channel ³ / ₄ " thick formed from 0.021" sheet metal attached to the brick wall on 24" centers with approved fasteners, and ¹ / ₂ " Type X gypsum wallboard attached to the metal furring strips with 1"-long Type S screws spaced 8" on center.	—	—	5 ^d	—
2. Combination of clay brick and load-bearing hollow clay tile	2-1.1	4" solid brick and 4" tile (not less than 40 percent solid).	—	8	—	—
	2-1.2	4" solid brick and 8" tile (not less than 40 percent solid).	12	—	—	—
3. Concrete masonry units	3-1.1 ^{f, g}	Expanded slag or pumice.	4.7	4.0	3.2	2.1
	3-1.2 ^{f, g}	Expanded clay, shale or slate.	5.1	4.4	3.6	2.6
	3-1.3 ^f	Limestone, cinders or air-cooled slag.	5.9	5.0	4.0	2.7
	3-1.4 ^{f, g}	Calcareous or siliceous gravel.	6.2	5.3	4.2	2.8
4. Solid concrete ^{h, i}	4-1.1	Siliceous aggregate concrete.	7.0	6.2	5.0	3.5
		Carbonate aggregate concrete.	6.6	5.7	4.6	3.2
		Sand-lightweight concrete.	5.4	4.6	3.8	2.7
		Lightweight concrete.	5.1	4.4	3.6	2.5
5. Glazed or unglazed facing tile, nonload-bearing	5-1.1	One 2" unit cored 15 percent maximum and one 4" unit cored 25 percent maximum with ³ / ₄ " mortar-filled collar joint. Unit positions reversed in alternate courses.	—	6 ³ / ₈	—	—
	5-1.2	One 2" unit cored 15 percent maximum and one 4" unit cored 40 percent maximum with ³ / ₄ " mortar-filled collar joint. Unit positions side with ³ / ₄ " gypsum plaster. Two wythes tied together every fourth course with No. 22 gage corrugated metal ties.	—	6 ³ / ₄	—	—
	5-1.3	One unit with three cells in wall thickness, cored 29 percent maximum.	—	—	6	—
	5-1.4	One 2" unit cored 22 percent maximum and one 4" unit cored 41 percent maximum with ¹ / ₄ " mortar-filled collar joint. Two wythes tied together every third course with 0.030"(No. 22 galvanized sheet steel gage) corrugated metal ties.	—	—	6	—
	5-1.5	One 4" unit cored 25 percent maximum with ³ / ₄ " gypsum plaster on one side.	—	—	4 ³ / ₄	—
	5-1.6	One 4" unit with two cells in wall thickness, cored 22 percent maximum.	—	—	—	4
	5-1.7	One 4" unit cored 30 percent maximum with ³ / ₄ " vermiculite gypsum plaster on one side.	—	—	4 ¹ / ₂	—
	5-1.8	One 4" unit cored 39 percent maximum with ³ / ₄ " gypsum plaster on one side.	—	—	—	4 ¹ / ₂
	6-1.1	³ / ₄ " by 0.055" (No. 16 carbon sheet steel gage) vertical cold-rolled channels, 16" on center with 2.6-pound flat metal lath applied to one face and tied with 0.049" (No. 18 B.W. gage) wire at 6" spacing. Gypsum plaster each side mixed 1:2 by weight, gypsum to sand aggregate.	—	—	—	2 ^d

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6. Solid gypsum plaster	6-1.2	$\frac{3}{4}$ " by 0.05" (No. 16 carbon sheet steel gage) cold-rolled channels 16" on center with metal lath applied to one face and tied with 0.049" (No. 18 B.W. gage) wire at 6" spacing. Perlite or vermiculite gypsum plaster each side. For three-coat work, the plaster mix for the second coat shall not exceed 100 pounds of gypsum to 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ cubic feet of aggregate for the 1-hour system.	—	—	2 $\frac{1}{2}$ ^d	2 ^d
	6-1.3	$\frac{3}{4}$ " by 0.055" (No. 16 carbon sheet steel gage) vertical cold-rolled channels, 16" on center with $\frac{3}{8}$ " gypsum lath applied to one face and attached with sheet metal clips. Gypsum plaster each side mixed 1:2 by weight, gypsum to sand aggregate.	—	—	—	2 ^d
	6-2.1	Studless with $\frac{1}{2}$ " full-length plain gypsum lath and gypsum plaster each side. Plaster mixed 1:1 for scratch coat and 1:2 for brown coat, by weight, gypsum to sand aggregate.	—	—	—	2 ^d
	6-2.2	Studless with $\frac{1}{2}$ " full-length plain gypsum lath and perlite or vermiculite gypsum plaster each side.	—	—	2 $\frac{1}{2}$ ^d	2 ^d
	6-2.3	Studless partition with $\frac{3}{8}$ " rib metal lath installed vertically adjacent edges tied 6" on center with No. 18 gage wire ties, gypsum plaster each side mixed 1:2 by weight, gypsum to sand aggregate.	—	—	—	2 ^d
7. Solid perlite and Portland cement	7-1.1	Perlite mixed in the ratio of 3 cubic feet to 100 pounds of Portland cement and machine applied to stud side of 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ " mesh by 0.058-inch (No. 17 B.W. gage) paper-backed woven wire fabric lath wire-tied to 4"-deep steel trussed wire studs 16" on center. Wire ties of 0.049" (No. 18 B.W. gage) galvanized steel wire 6" on center vertically.	—	—	3 $\frac{1}{8}$ ^d	—
8. Solid neat wood fibered gypsum plaster	8-1.1	$\frac{3}{4}$ " by 0.055-inch (No. 16 carbon sheet steel gage) cold-rolled channels, 12" on center with 2.5-pound flat metal lath applied to one face and tied with 0.049" (No. 18 B.W. gage) wire at 6" spacing. Neat gypsum plaster applied each side.	—	—	2 ^d	—
9. Solid wallboard partition	9-1.1	One full-length layer $\frac{1}{2}$ " Type X gypsum wallboard [®] laminated to each side of 1" full-length V-edge gypsum coreboard with approved laminating compound. Vertical joints of face layer and coreboard staggered not less than 3".	—	—	2 ^d	—
10. Hollow (studless) gypsum wallboard partition	10-1.1	One full-length layer of $\frac{5}{8}$ " Type X gypsum wallboard [®] attached to both sides of wood or metal top and bottom runners laminated to each side of 1" x 6" full-length gypsum coreboard ribs spaced 2" on center with approved laminating compound. Ribs centered at vertical joints of face plies and joints staggered 24" in opposing faces. Ribs may be recessed 6" from the top and bottom.	—	—	—	2 $\frac{1}{4}$ ^d
	10-1.2	1" regular gypsum V-edge full-length backing board attached to both sides of wood or metal top and bottom runners with nails or 1 $\frac{5}{8}$ " drywall screws at 24" on center. Minimum width of runners 1 $\frac{5}{8}$ ". Face layer of $\frac{1}{2}$ " regular full-length gypsum wallboard laminated to outer faces of backing board with approved laminating compound.	—	—	4 $\frac{5}{8}$ ^d	—
11. Noncombustible studs—interior partition with plaster each side	11-1.1	3 $\frac{1}{4}$ " x 0.044" (No. 18 carbon sheet steel gage) steel studs spaced 24" on center. $\frac{5}{8}$ " gypsum plaster on metal lath each side mixed 1:2 by weight, gypsum to sand aggregate.	—	—	—	4 $\frac{3}{4}$ ^d
	11-1.2	3 $\frac{3}{8}$ " x 0.055" (No. 16 carbon sheet steel gage) approved nailable studs spaced 24" on center. $\frac{5}{8}$ " neat gypsum wood-fibered plaster each side over $\frac{3}{8}$ " rib metal lath nailed to studs with 6d common nails, 8" on center. Nails driven 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ " and bent over.	—	—	5 $\frac{5}{8}$	—
	11-1.3	4" x 0.044" (No. 18 carbon sheet steel gage) channel-shaped steel studs at 16" on center. On each side approved resilient clips pressed onto stud flange at 16" vertical spacing, $\frac{1}{4}$ " pencil rods snapped into or wire tied onto outer loop of clips, metal lath wire-tied to pencil rods at 6" intervals, 1" perlite gypsum plaster, each side.	—	7 $\frac{5}{8}$ ^d	—	—
	11-1.4	2 $\frac{1}{2}$ " x 0.044" (No. 18 carbon sheet steel gage) steel studs spaced 16" on center. Wood fibered gypsum plaster mixed 1:1 by weight gypsum to sand aggregate applied on $\frac{3}{4}$ -pound metal lath wire tied to studs, each side. $\frac{3}{4}$ " plaster applied over each face, including finish coat.	—	—	4 $\frac{1}{4}$ ^d	—
12. Wood studs—interior partition with plaster each side	12-1.1 ^{l, m}	2" x 4" wood studs 16" on center with $\frac{5}{8}$ " gypsum plaster on metal lath. Lath attached by 4d common nails bent over or No. 14 gage by 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ " by $\frac{3}{4}$ " crown width staples spaced 6" on center. Plaster mixed 1:1 $\frac{1}{2}$ for scratch coat and 1:3 for brown coat, by weight, gypsum to sand aggregate.	—	—	—	5 $\frac{1}{8}$
	12-1.2 ^l	2" x 4" wood studs 16" on center with metal lath and $\frac{7}{8}$ " neat wood-fibered gypsum plaster each side. Lath attached by 6d common nails, 7" on center. Nails driven 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ " and bent over.	—	—	5 $\frac{1}{2}$ ^d	—
	12-1.3 ^l	2" x 4" wood studs 16" on center with $\frac{3}{8}$ " perforated or plain gypsum lath and $\frac{1}{2}$ " gypsum plaster each side. Lath nailed with 1 $\frac{1}{8}$ " by No. 13 gage by $\frac{19}{64}$ " head plasterboard blue nails, 4" on center. Plaster mixed 1:2 by weight, gypsum to sand aggregate.	—	—	—	5 $\frac{1}{4}$
	12-1.4 ^l	2" x 4" wood studs 16" on center with $\frac{3}{8}$ " Type X gypsum lath and $\frac{1}{2}$ " gypsum plaster each side. Lath nailed with 1 $\frac{1}{8}$ " by No. 13 gage by $\frac{19}{64}$ " head plasterboard blue nails, 5" on center. Plaster mixed 1:2 by weight, gypsum to sand aggregate.	—	—	—	5 $\frac{1}{4}$

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13. Noncombustible studs—interior partition with gypsum wallboard each side	13-1.1	0.018" (No. 25 carbon sheet steel gage) channel-shaped studs 24" on center with one full-length layer of $\frac{5}{8}$ " Type X gypsum wallboard ^e applied vertically attached with 1"-long No. 6 dry wall screws to each stud. Screws are 8" on center around the perimeter and 12" on center on the intermediate stud. Where applied horizontally, the Type X gypsum wallboard shall be attached to $3\frac{5}{8}$ " studs and the horizontal joints shall be staggered with those on the opposite side. Screws for the horizontal application shall be 8" on center at vertical edges and 12" on center at intermediate studs.	—	—	—	$2\frac{7}{8}$ ^d
	13-1.2	0.018" (No. 25 carbon sheet steel gage) channel-shaped studs 25" on center with two full-length layers of $\frac{1}{2}$ " Type X gypsum wallboard ^e applied vertically each side. First layer attached with 1"-long, No. 6 drywall screws, 8" on center around the perimeter and 12" on center on the intermediate stud. Second layer applied with vertical joints offset one stud space from first layer using $1\frac{5}{8}$ " long, No. 6 drywall screws spaced 9" on center along vertical joints, 12" on center at intermediate studs and 24" on center along top and bottom runners.	—	—	$3\frac{5}{8}$ ^d	—
	13-1.3	0.055" (No. 16 carbon sheet steel gage) approved nailable metal studs ^f 24" on center with full-length $\frac{5}{8}$ " Type X gypsum wallboard ^e applied vertically and nailed 7" on center with 6d cement-coated common nails. Approved metal fastener grips used with nails at vertical butt joints along studs.	—	—	—	$4\frac{7}{8}$
14. Wood studs—interior partition with gypsum wallboard each side	14-1.1 ^h	2" x 4" wood studs 16" on center with two layers of $\frac{5}{8}$ " regular gypsum wallboard ^e each side, 4d cooler ⁿ or wallboard ⁿ nails at 8" on center first layer, 5d cooler ⁿ or wallboard ⁿ nails at 8" on center second layer with laminating compound between layers, joints staggered. First layer applied full length vertically, second layer applied horizontally or vertically.	—	—	—	5
	14-1.2 ^{l, m}	2" x 4" wood studs 16" on center with two layers $\frac{1}{2}$ " regular gypsum wallboard ^e applied vertically or horizontally each side ^k , joints staggered. Nail base layer with 5d cooler ⁿ or wallboard ⁿ nails at 8" on center face layer with 8d cooler ⁿ or wallboard ⁿ nails at 8" on center.	—	—	—	$5\frac{1}{2}$
	14-1.3 ^{l, m}	2" x 4" wood studs 24" on center with $\frac{5}{8}$ " Type X gypsum wallboard ^e applied vertically or horizontally nailed with 6d cooler ⁿ or wallboard ⁿ nails at 7" on center with end joints on nailing members. Stagger joints each side.	—	—	—	$4\frac{3}{4}$
	14-1.4 ^l	2" x 4" fire-retardant-treated wood studs spaced 24" on center with one layer of $\frac{5}{8}$ " Type X gypsum wallboard ^e applied with face paper grain (long dimension) parallel to studs. Wallboard attached with 6d cooler ⁿ or wallboard ⁿ nails at 7" on center.	—	—	—	$4\frac{3}{4}$ ^d
	14-1.5 ^{l, m}	2" x 4" wood studs 16" on center with two layers $\frac{5}{8}$ " Type X gypsum wallboard ^e each side. Base layers applied vertically and nailed with 6d cooler ⁿ or wallboard ⁿ nails at 9" on center. Face layer applied vertically or horizontally and nailed with 8d cooler ⁿ or wallboard ⁿ nails at 7" on center. For nail-adhesive application, base layers are nailed 6" on center. Face layers applied with coating of approved wallboard adhesive and nailed 12" on center.	—	—	6	—
	14-1.6 ^l	2" x 3" fire-retardant-treated wood studs spaced 24" on center with one layer of $\frac{5}{8}$ " Type X gypsum wallboard ^e applied with face paper grain (long dimension) at right angles to studs. Wallboard attached with 6d cement-coated box nails spaced 7" on center.	—	—	—	$3\frac{5}{8}$ ^d
	15-1.1 ^{l, m}	Exterior surface with $\frac{3}{4}$ " drop siding over $\frac{1}{2}$ " gypsum sheathing on 2" x 4" wood studs at 16" on center, interior surface treatment as required for 1-hour-rated exterior or interior 2" x 4" wood stud partitions. Gypsum sheathing nailed with $1\frac{3}{4}$ " by No.11 gage by $\frac{7}{16}$ " head galvanized nails at 8" on center. Siding nailed with 7d galvanized smooth box nails.	—	—	—	Varies
	15-1.2 ^{l, m}	2" x 4" wood studs 16" on center with metal lath and $\frac{3}{4}$ " cement plaster on each side. Lath attached with 6d common nails 7" on center driven to 1" minimum penetration and bent over. Plaster mix 1:4 for scratch coat and 1:5 for brown coat, by volume, cement to sand.	—	—	—	$5\frac{3}{8}$
	15-1.3 ^{l, m}	2" x 4" wood studs 16" on center with $\frac{7}{8}$ " cement plaster (measured from the face of studs) on the exterior surface with interior surface treatment as required for interior wood stud partitions in this table. Plaster mix 1:4 for scratch coat and 1:5 for brown coat, by volume, cement to sand.	—	—	—	Varies
	15-1.4	$3\frac{5}{8}$ " No. 16 gage noncombustible studs 16" on center with $\frac{7}{8}$ " cement plaster (measured from the face of the studs) on the exterior surface with interior surface treatment as required for interior, nonbearing, noncombustible stud partitions in this table. Plaster mix 1:4 for scratch coat and 1:5 for brown coat, by volume, cement to sand.	—	—	—	Varies
	15-1.5 ^m	$2\frac{1}{4}$ " x $3\frac{3}{4}$ " clay face brick with cored holes over $\frac{1}{2}$ " gypsum sheathing on exterior surface of 2" x 4" wood studs at 16" on center and two layers $\frac{5}{8}$ " Type X gypsum wallboard ^e on interior surface. Sheathing placed horizontally or vertically with vertical joints over studs nailed 6" on center with $1\frac{3}{4}$ " x No. 11 gage by $\frac{7}{16}$ " head galvanized nails. Inner layer of wallboard placed horizontally or vertically and nailed 8" on center with 6d cooler ⁿ or wallboard ⁿ nails. Outer layer of wallboard placed horizontally or vertically and nailed 8" on center with 8d cooler ⁿ or wallboard ⁿ nails. Joints staggered with vertical joints over studs. Outer layer joints taped and finished with compound. Nail heads covered with joint compound. 0.035 inch (No. 20 galvanized sheet gage) corrugated galvanized steel wall ties $\frac{3}{4}$ " by $\frac{6}{8}$ " attached to each stud with two 8d cooler ⁿ or wallboard ⁿ nails every sixth course of bricks.	—	—	10	—

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15. Exterior or interior walls (continued)	15-1.6 ^{l, m}	2" x 6" fire-retardant-treated wood studs 16" on center. Interior face has two layers of $\frac{5}{8}$ " Type X gypsum with the base layer placed vertically and attached with 6d box nails 12" on center. The face layer is placed horizontally and attached with 8d box nails 8" on center at joints and 12" on center elsewhere. The exterior face has a base layer of $\frac{5}{8}$ " Type X gypsum sheathing placed vertically with 6d box nails 8" on center at joints and 12" on center elsewhere. An approved building paper is next applied, followed by self-furred exterior lath attached with 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ ", No. 12 gage galvanized roofing nails with a $\frac{3}{8}$ " diameter head and spaced 6" on center along each stud. Cement plaster consisting of a $\frac{1}{2}$ " brown coat is then applied. The scratch coat is mixed in the proportion of 1:3 by weight, cement to sand with 10 pounds of hydrated lime and 3 pounds of approved additives or admixtures per sack of cement. The brown coat is mixed in the proportion of 1:4 by weight, cement to sand with the same amounts of hydrated lime and approved additives or admixtures used in the scratch coat.	—	—	8 $\frac{1}{4}$	—
	15-1.7 ^{l, m}	2" x 6" wood studs 16" on center. The exterior face has a layer of $\frac{5}{8}$ " Type X gypsum sheathing placed vertically with 6d box nails 8" on center at joints and 12" on center elsewhere. An approved building paper is next applied, followed by 1" by No. 18 gage self-furred exterior lath attached with 8d by 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ "-long galvanized roofing nails spaced 6" on center along each stud. Cement plaster consisting of a $\frac{1}{2}$ " scratch coat, a bonding agent and a $\frac{1}{2}$ " brown coat and a finish coat is then applied. The scratch coat is mixed in the proportion of 1:3 by weight, cement to sand with 10 pounds of hydrated lime and 3 pounds of approved additives or admixtures per sack of cement. The brown coat is mixed in the proportion of 1:4 by weight, cement to sand with the same amounts of hydrated lime and approved additives or admixtures used in the scratch coat. The interior is covered with $\frac{3}{8}$ " gypsum lath with 1" hexagonal mesh of 0.035 inch (No. 20 B.W. gage) woven wire lath furred out $\frac{5}{16}$ " and 1" perlite or vermiculite gypsum plaster. Lath nailed with $\frac{1}{8}$ " by No. 13 gage by $\frac{19}{64}$ " head plasterboard glued nails spaced 5" on center. Mesh attached by 1 $\frac{3}{4}$ " by No. 12 gage by $\frac{3}{8}$ " head nails with $\frac{3}{8}$ " furrings, spaced 8" on center. The plaster mix shall not exceed 100 pounds of gypsum to 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ cubic feet of aggregate.	—	—	8 $\frac{3}{8}$	—
	15-1.8 ^{l, m}	2" x 6" wood studs 16" on center. The exterior face has a layer of $\frac{5}{8}$ " Type X gypsum sheathing placed vertically with 6d box nails 8" on center at joints and 12" on center elsewhere. An approved building paper is next applied, followed by 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ " by No. 17 gage self-furred exterior lath attached with 8d by 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ "-long galvanized roofing nails spaced 6" on center along each stud. Cement plaster consisting of a $\frac{1}{2}$ " scratch coat and a $\frac{1}{2}$ " brown coat is then applied. The plaster may be placed by machine. The scratch coat is mixed in the proportion of 1:4 by weight, plastic cement to sand. The brown coat is mixed in the proportion of 1:5 by weight, plastic cement to sand. The interior is covered with $\frac{3}{8}$ " gypsum lath with 1" hexagonal mesh of No. 20-gage woven wire lath furred out $\frac{5}{16}$ " and 1" perlite or vermiculite gypsum plaster. Lath nailed with 1 $\frac{1}{8}$ " by No. 13 gage by $\frac{19}{64}$ " head plasterboard glued nails spaced 5" on center. Mesh attached by $\frac{1}{4}$ " by No. 12 gage by $\frac{3}{8}$ " head nails with $\frac{3}{8}$ " furrings, spaced 8" on center. The plaster mix shall not exceed 100 pounds of gypsum to 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ cubic feet of aggregate.	—	—	8 $\frac{3}{8}$	—
	15-1.9	4" No. 18 gage, nonload-bearing metal studs, 16" on center, with 1" Portland cement lime plaster (measured from the back side of the $\frac{3}{4}$ -pound expanded metal lath) on the exterior surface. Interior surface to be covered with 1" of gypsum plaster on $\frac{3}{4}$ -pound expanded metal lath proportioned by weight—1:2 for scratch coat, 1:3 for brown, gypsum to sand. Lath on one side of the partition fastened to $\frac{1}{4}$ " diameter pencil rods supported by No. 20 gage metal clips, located 16" on center vertically, on each stud. 3" thick mineral fiber insulating batts friction fitted between the studs.	—	—	6 $\frac{1}{2}$ ^d	—
	15-1.10	Steel studs 0.060" thick, 4" deep or 6" at 16" or 24" centers, with $\frac{1}{2}$ " glass fiber-reinforced concrete (GFRC) on the exterior surface. GFRC is attached with flex anchors at 24" on center, with 5" leg welded to studs with two $\frac{1}{2}$ "-long flare-bevel welds, and 4" foot attached to the GFRC skin with $\frac{5}{8}$ "-thick GFRC bonding pads that extend 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ " beyond the flex anchor foot on both sides. Interior surface to have two layers of $\frac{1}{2}$ " Type X gypsum wallboard. ^e The first layer of wallboard to be attached with 1"-long Type S buglehead screws spaced 24" on center and the second layer is attached with 1 $\frac{3}{8}$ "-long Type S screws spaced at 12" on center. Cavity is to be filled with 5" of 4 pcf (nominal) mineral fiber batts. GFRC has 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ " returns packed with mineral fiber and caulked on the exterior.	—	—	6 $\frac{1}{2}$	—
	15-1.11	Steel studs 0.060" thick, 4" deep or 6" at 16" or 24" centers, respectively, with $\frac{1}{2}$ " glass fiber-reinforced concrete (GFRC) on the exterior surface. GFRC is attached with flex anchors at 24" on center, with 5" leg welded to studs with two $\frac{1}{2}$ "-long flare-bevel welds, and 4" foot attached to the GFRC skin with $\frac{5}{8}$ "-thick GFRC bonding pads that extend 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ " beyond the flex anchor foot on both sides. Interior surface to have one layer of $\frac{5}{8}$ " Type X gypsum wallboard ^e , attached with 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ "-long Type S buglehead screws spaced 12" on center. Cavity is to be filled with 5" of 4 pcf (nominal) mineral fiber batts. GFRC has 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ " returns packed with mineral fiber and caulked on the exterior.	—	—	—	6 $\frac{1}{8}$
	15-1.12 ^q	2" x 6" wood studs at 16" with double top plates, single bottom plate; interior and exterior sides covered with $\frac{5}{8}$ " Type X gypsum wallboard, 4" wide, applied horizontally or vertically with vertical joints over studs, and fastened with 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ " Type S drywall screws, spaced 12" on center. Cavity to be filled with 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ " mineral wool insulation.	—	—	—	6 $\frac{3}{4}$
	15-1.13 ^q	2" x 6" wood studs at 16" with double top plates, single bottom plate; interior and exterior sides covered with $\frac{5}{8}$ " Type X gypsum wallboard, 4" wide, applied vertically with all joints over framing or blocking and fastened with 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ " Type S drywall screws, spaced 12" on center. R-19 mineral fiber insulation installed in stud cavity.	—	—	—	6 $\frac{3}{4}$
	15-1.14 ^q	2" x 6" wood studs at 16" with double top plates, single bottom plate; interior and exterior sides covered with $\frac{5}{8}$ " Type X gypsum wallboard, 4" wide, applied horizontally or vertically with vertical joints over studs, and fastened with 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ " Type S drywall screws, spaced 7" on center.	—	—	—	6 $\frac{3}{4}$

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	15-1.15 ^q	2" × 4" wood studs at 16" with double top plates, single bottom plate; interior and exterior sides covered with 5/8" Type X gypsum wallboard and sheathing, respectively, 4' wide, applied horizontally or vertically with vertical joints over studs, and fastened with 2 1/4" Type S drywall screws, spaced 12" on center. Cavity to be filled with 3 1/2" mineral wool insulation.	—	—	—	4 ³ / ₄
	15-1.16 ^q	2" × 6" wood studs at 24" centers with double top plates, single bottom plate; interior and exterior side covered with two layers of 5/8" Type X gypsum wallboard, 4' wide, applied horizontally with vertical joints over studs. Base layer fastened with 2 1/4" Type S drywall screws, spaced 24" on center and face layer fastened with Type S drywall screws, spaced 8" on center, wallboard joints covered with paper tape and joint compound, fastener heads covered with joint compound. Cavity to be filled with 5 1/2" mineral wool insulation.	—	—	8	—
	15-2.1 ^d	3 5/8" No. 16 gage steel studs at 24" on center or 2" × 4" wood studs at 24" on center. Metal lath attached to the exterior side of studs with minimum 1" long No. 6 drywall screws at 6" on center and covered with minimum 3/4" thick Portland cement plaster. Thin veneer brick units of clay or shale complying with ASTM C1088 , Grade TBS or better, installed in running bond in accordance with Section 1404.10 . Combined total thickness of the Portland cement plaster, mortar and thin veneer brick units shall be not less than 1 3/4". Interior side covered with one layer of 5/8"-thick Type X gypsum wallboard attached to studs with 1" long No. 6 drywall screws at 12" on center.	—	—	—	6
	15-2.2 ^d	3 5/8" No. 16 gage steel studs at 24" on center or 2" × 4" wood studs at 24" on center. Metal lath attached to the exterior side of studs with minimum 1" long No. 6 drywall screws at 6" on center and covered with minimum 3/4" thick Portland cement plaster. Thin veneer brick units of clay or shale complying with ASTM C1088 , Grade TBS or better, installed in running bond in accordance with Section 1404.10 . Combined total thickness of the Portland cement plaster, mortar and thin veneer brick units shall be not less than 2". Interior side covered with two layers of 5/8"-thick Type X gypsum wallboard. Bottom layer attached to studs with 1"-long No. 6 drywall screws at 24" on center. Top layer attached to studs with 1 5/8"-long No. 6 drywall screws at 12" on center.	—	—	6 ⁷ / ₈	—
	15-2.3 ^d	3 5/8" No. 16 gage steel studs at 16" on center or 2" × 4" wood studs at 16" on center. Where metal lath is used, attach to the exterior side of studs with minimum 1"-long No. 6 drywall screws at 6" on center. Brick units of clay or shale not less than 2 5/8" thick complying with ASTM C216 installed in accordance with Section 1404.6 with a minimum 1" airspace. Interior side covered with one layer of 5/8"-thick Type X gypsum wallboard attached to studs with 1"-long No. 6 drywall screws at 12" on center.	—	—	—	7 ⁷ / ₈
	15-2.4 ^d	3 5/8" No. 16 gage steel studs at 16" on center or 2" × 4" wood studs at 16" on center. Where metal lath is used, attach to the exterior side of studs with minimum 1"-long No. 6 drywall screws at 6" on center. Brick units of clay or shale not less than 2 5/8" thick complying with ASTM C216 installed in accordance with Section 1404.6 with a minimum 1" airspace. Interior side covered with two layers of 5/8"-thick Type X gypsum wallboard. Bottom layer attached to studs with 1"-long No. 6 drywall screws at 24" on center. Top layer attached to studs with 1 5/8"-long No. 6 drywall screws at 12" on center.	—	—	8 ¹ / ₂	—
16. Exterior walls rated for fire resistance from the inside only in accordance with Section 705.5 .	16-1.1 ^q	2" × 4" wood studs at 16" centers with double top plates, single bottom plate; interior side covered with 5/8" Type X gypsum wallboard, 4' wide, applied horizontally unblocked, and fastened with 2 1/4" Type S drywall screws, spaced 12" on center, wallboard joints covered with paper tape and joint compound, fastener heads covered with joint compound. Exterior covered with 3/8" wood structural panels, applied vertically, horizontal joints blocked and fastened with 6d common nails (bright)—12" on center in the field, and 6" on center panel edges. Cavity to be filled with 3 1/2" mineral wool insulation. Rating established for exposure from interior side only.	—	—	—	4 ¹ / ₂
	16-1.2 ^q	2" × 6" wood studs at 16" centers with double top plates, single bottom plate; interior side covered with 5/8" Type X gypsum wallboard, 4' wide, applied horizontally or vertically with vertical joints over studs and fastened with 2 1/4" Type S drywall screws, spaced 12" on center, wallboard joints covered with paper tape and joint compound, fastener heads covered with joint compound, exterior side covered with 7/16" wood structural panels fastened with 6d common nails (bright) spaced 12" on center in the field and 6" on center along the panel edges. Cavity to be filled with 5 1/2" mineral wool insulation. Rating established from the gypsum-covered side only.	—	—	—	6 ⁹ / ₁₆
	16-1.3 ^q	2" × 6" wood studs at 16" centers with double top plates, single bottom plates; interior side covered with 5/8" Type X gypsum wallboard, 4' wide, applied vertically with all joints over framing or blocking and fastened with 2 1/4" Type S drywall screws spaced 7" on center. Joints to be covered with tape and joint compound. Exterior covered with 3/8" wood structural panels, applied vertically with edges over framing or blocking and fastened with 6d common nails (bright) at 12" on center in the field and 6" on center on panel edges. R-19 mineral fiber insulation installed in stud cavity. Rating established from the gypsum-covered side only.	—	—	—	6 ¹ / ₂

For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm, 1 square inch = 645.2 mm², 1 cubic foot = 0.0283 m³.

- Staples with equivalent holding power and penetration shall be permitted to be used as alternate fasteners to nails for attachment to wood framing.
- Thickness shown for brick and clay tile is nominal thicknesses unless plastered, in which case thicknesses are net. Thickness shown for concrete masonry and clay masonry is equivalent thickness defined in Section 722.3.1 for concrete masonry and Section 722.4.1.1 for clay masonry. Where all cells are solid grouted or filled with silicone-treated perlite loose-fill insulation; vermiculite loose-fill insulation; or expanded clay, shale or slate lightweight aggregate, the equivalent thickness

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- shall be the thickness of the block or brick using specified dimensions as defined in [Chapter 21](#). Equivalent thickness shall include the thickness of applied plaster and lath or gypsum wallboard, where specified.
- c. For units in which the net cross-sectional area of cored brick in any plane parallel to the surface containing the cores is not less than 75 percent of the gross cross-sectional area measured in the same plane.
 - d. Shall be used for nonbearing purposes only.
 - e. For all of the construction with gypsum wallboard described in this table, gypsum base for veneer plaster of the same size, thickness and core type shall be permitted to be substituted for gypsum wallboard, provided that attachment is identical to that specified for the wallboard, and the joints on the face layer are reinforced and the entire surface is covered with not less than 1/16-inch gypsum veneer plaster.
 - f. The fire-resistance time period for concrete masonry units meeting the equivalent thicknesses required for a 2-hour fire-resistance rating in Item 3, and having a thickness of not less than 7⁵/₈ inches is 4 hours where cores that are not grouted are filled with silicone-treated perlite loose-fill insulation; vermiculite loose-fill insulation; or expanded clay, shale or slate lightweight aggregate, sand or slag having a maximum particle size of 3/8 inch.
 - g. The fire-resistance rating of concrete masonry units composed of a combination of aggregate types or where plaster is applied directly to the concrete masonry shall be determined in accordance with [ACI 216.1/TMS 0216](#). Lightweight aggregates shall have a maximum combined density of 65 pounds per cubic foot.
 - h. See Note b. The equivalent thickness shall be permitted to include the thickness of cement plaster or 1.5 times the thickness of gypsum plaster applied in accordance with the requirements of [Chapter 25](#).
 - i. Concrete walls shall be reinforced with horizontal and vertical temperature reinforcement as required by [Chapter 19](#).
 - j. Studs are welded truss wire studs with 0.18 inch (No. 7 B.W. gage) flange wire and 0.18 inch (No. 7 B.W. gage) truss wires.
 - k. Nailable metal studs consist of two channel studs spot welded back to back with a crimped web forming a nailing groove.
 - l. Wood structural panels shall be permitted to be installed between the fire protection and the wood studs on either the interior or exterior side of the wood frame assemblies in this table, provided that the length of the fasteners used to attach the fire protection is increased by an amount not less than the thickness of the wood structural panel.
 - m. For studs with a slenderness ratio, l_e/d , greater than 33, the design stress shall be reduced to 78 percent of allowable F'_c . For studs with a slenderness ratio, l_e/d , not exceeding 33, the design stress shall be reduced to 78 percent of the adjusted stress F'_c calculated for studs having a slenderness ratio l_e/d of 33.
 - n. For properties of cooler or wallboard nails, see [ASTM C514](#), [ASTM C547](#) or [ASTM F1667](#).
 - o. Generic fire-resistance ratings (those not designated as PROPRIETARY* in the listing) in the [GA-600](#) shall be accepted as if herein specified.
 - p. [NCMA TEK 5-8A](#) shall be permitted for the design of fire walls.
 - q. The design stress of studs shall be equal to not more than 100 percent of the allowable F'_c calculated in accordance with [Section 2306](#).

TABLE 721.1(3)
MINIMUM PROTECTION FOR FLOOR AND ROOF SYSTEMS^{a, q}

FLOOR OR ROOF CONSTRUCTION	ITEM NUMBER	CEILING CONSTRUCTION	THICKNESS OF FLOOR OR ROOF SLAB (inches)				MINIMUM THICKNESS OF CEILING (inches)			
			4 hours	3 hours	2 hours	1 hour	4 hours	3 hours	2 hours	1 hour

1. Siliceous aggregate concrete	1-1.1	Slab (ceiling not required).	7.0	6.2	5.0	3.5	—	—	—	—
2. Carbonate aggregate concrete	2-1.1	Minimum cover over nonprestressed reinforcement shall be not less than $\frac{3}{4}$ ". ^b	6.6	5.7	4.6	3.2	—	—	—	—
3. Sand-lightweight concrete	3-1.1		5.4	4.6	3.8	2.7	—	—	—	—
4. Lightweight concrete	4-1.1		5.1	4.4	3.6	2.5	—	—	—	—
5. Reinforced concrete	5-1.1	Slab with suspended ceiling of vermiculite gypsum plaster over metal lath attached to $\frac{3}{4}$ " cold-rolled channels spaced 12" on center. Ceiling located 6" minimum below joists.	3	2	—	—	1	$\frac{3}{4}$	—	—
	5-2.1	$\frac{5}{8}$ " Type X gypsum wallboard ^c attached to 0.018 inch (No.25 carbon sheet steel gage) by $\frac{7}{8}$ " deep by $2\frac{5}{8}$ " hat-shaped galvanized steel channels with 1"-long No. 6 screws. The channels are spaced 24" on center, span 35" and are supported along their length at 35" intervals by 0.033" (No. 21 galvanized sheet gage) galvanized steel flat strap hangers having formed edges that engage the lips of the channel. The strap hangers are attached to the side of the concrete joists with $\frac{5}{32}$ " by $1\frac{1}{4}$ "-long power-driven fasteners. The wallboard is installed with the long dimension perpendicular to the channels. End joints occur on channels and supplementary channels are installed parallel to the main channels, 12" each side, at end joint occurrences. The finished ceiling is located approximately 12" below the soffit of the floor slab.	—	—	$2\frac{1}{2}$	—	—	—	$\frac{5}{8}$	—
6. Steel joists constructed with a poured reinforced concrete slab on metal lath forms or steel form units. ^{d, e}	6-1.1	Gypsum plaster on metal lath attached to the bottom cord with single No. 16 gage or doubled No. 18 gage wire ties spaced 6" on center. Plaster mixed 1:2 for scratch coat, 1:3 for brown coat, by weight, gypsum-to-sand aggregate for 2-hour system. For 3-hour system plaster is neat.	—	—	$2\frac{1}{2}$	$2\frac{1}{4}$	—	—	$\frac{3}{4}$	$\frac{5}{8}$
	6-2.1	Vermiculite gypsum plaster on metal lath attached to the bottom chord with single No. 16 gage or doubled 0.049-inch (No. 18 B.W. gage) wire ties 6" on center.	—	2	—	—	—	$\frac{5}{8}$	—	—
	6-3.1	Cement plaster over metal lath attached to the bottom chord of joists with single No. 16 gage or doubled 0.049" (No. 18 B.W. gage) wire ties spaced 6" on center. Plaster mixed 1:2 for scratch coat, 1:3 for brown coat for 1-hour system and 1:1 for scratch coat, 1:1½ for brown coat for 2-hour system, by weight, cement to sand.	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	$\frac{5}{8}$ ^f

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	6-4.1	Ceiling of $\frac{5}{8}$ " Type X wallboard ^c attached to $\frac{7}{8}$ " deep by $2\frac{5}{8}$ " by 0.021 inch (No. 25 carbon sheet steel gage) hat-shaped furring channels 12" on center with 1"-long No. 6 wallboard screws at 8" on center. Channels wire tied to bottom chord of joists with doubled 0.049 inch (No. 18 B.W. gage) wire or suspended below joists on wire hangers. ⁹	—	—	$2\frac{1}{2}$	—	—	—	$\frac{5}{8}$	—
	6-5.1	Wood-fibered gypsum plaster mixed 1:1 by weight gypsum to sand aggregate applied over metal lath. Lath tied 6" on center to $\frac{3}{4}$ " channels spaced $13\frac{1}{2}$ " on center. Channels secured to joists at each intersection with two strands of 0.049 inch (No. 18 B.W. gage) galvanized wire.	—	—	$2\frac{1}{2}$	—	—	—	$\frac{3}{4}$	—
7. Reinforced concrete slabs and joists with hollow clay tile fillers laid end to end in rows $2\frac{1}{2}$ " or more apart; reinforcement placed between rows and concrete cast around and over tile.	7-1.1	$\frac{5}{8}$ " gypsum plaster on bottom of floor or roof construction.	—	—	8 ^h	—	—	—	$\frac{5}{8}$	—
	7-1.2	None	—	—	—	$5\frac{1}{2}$ ⁱ	—	—	—	—
8. Steel joists constructed with a reinforced concrete slab on top poured on a $\frac{1}{2}$ "-deep steel deck. ^e	8-1.1	Vermiculite gypsum plaster on metal lath attached to $\frac{3}{4}$ " cold-rolled channels with 0.049" (No. 18 B.W. gage) wire ties spaced 6" on center.	$2\frac{1}{2}$ ^j	—	—	—	$\frac{3}{4}$	—	—	—
9. 3"-deep cellular steel deck with concrete slab on top. Slab thickness measured to top.	9-1.1	Suspended ceiling of vermiculite gypsum plaster base coat and vermiculite acoustical plaster on metal lath attached at 6" intervals to $\frac{3}{4}$ " cold-rolled channels spaced 12" on center and secured to $1\frac{1}{2}$ " cold-rolled channels spaced 36" on center with 0.065" (No. 16 B.W. gage) wire. $1\frac{1}{2}$ " channels supported by No. 8 gage wire hangers at 36" on center. Beams within envelope and with a $2\frac{1}{2}$ " airspace between beam soffit and lath have a 4-hour rating.	$2\frac{1}{2}$	—	—	—	$1\frac{1}{8}$ ^k	—	—	—
10. $1\frac{1}{2}$ "-deep steel roof deck on steel framing. Insulation board, 30 pcf density, composed of wood fibers with cement binders of thickness shown bonded to deck with unified asphalt adhesive. Covered with a Class A or B roof covering.	10-1.1	Ceiling of gypsum plaster on metal lath. Lath attached to $\frac{3}{4}$ " furring channels with 0.049" (No. 18 B.W. gage) wire ties spaced 6" on center. $\frac{3}{4}$ " channel saddle tied to 2" channels with doubled 0.065" (No. 16 B.W. gage) wire ties. 2" channels spaced 36" on center suspended 2" below steel framing and saddle tied with 0.165" (No. 8 B.W. gage) wire. Plaster mixed 1:2 by weight, gypsum-to-sand aggregate.	—	—	$1\frac{7}{8}$	1	—	—	$\frac{3}{4}$ ¹	$\frac{3}{4}$ ¹

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11. 1½"-deep steel roof deck on steel-framing wood fiber insulation board, 17.5 pcf density on top applied over a 15-lb asphalt-saturated felt. Class A or B roof covering.	11-1.1	Ceiling of gypsum plaster on metal lath. Lath attached to ¾" furring channels with 0.049" (No. 18 B.W. gage) wire ties spaced 6" on center. ¾" channels saddle tied to 2" channels with doubled 0.065" (No. 16 B.W. gage) wire ties. 2" channels spaced 36" on center suspended 2" below steel framing and saddle tied with 0.165" (No. 8 B.W. gage) wire. Plaster mixed 1:2 for scratch coat and 1:3 for brown coat, by weight, gypsum-to-sand aggregate for 1-hour system. For 2-hour system, plaster mix is 1:2 by weight, gypsum-to-sand aggregate.	—	—	1½	1	—	—	7/8 ⁹	¾ ¹
12. 1½" deep steel roof deck on steel-framing insulation of rigid board consisting of expanded perlite and fibers impregnated with integral asphalt waterproofing; density 9 to 12 pcf secured to metal roof deck by ½"-wide ribbons of waterproof, cold-process liquid adhesive spaced 6" apart. Steel joist or light steel construction with metal roof deck, insulation, and Class A or B built-up roof covering. ^e	12-1.1	Gypsum-vermiculite plaster on metal lath wire tied at 6" intervals to ¾" furring channels spaced 12" on center and wire tied to 2" runner channels spaced 32" on center. Runners wire tied to bottom chord of steel joists.	—	—	1	—	—	—	7/8	—
13. Double wood floor over wood joists spaced 16" on center. ^{m, n}	13-1.1	Gypsum plaster over ¾" Type X gypsum lath. Lath initially applied with not less than four 1½" by No. 13 gage by 19/64" head plasterboard blued nails per bearing. Continuous stripping over lath along all joist lines. Stripping consists of 3"-wide strips of metal lath attached by 1½" by No. 11 gage by ½" head roofing nails spaced 6" on center. Alternate stripping consists of 3"-wide 0.049" diameter wire stripping weighing 1 pound per square yard and attached by No. 16 gage by 1½" by ¾" crown width staples, spaced 4" on center. Where alternate stripping is used, the lath nailing shall consist of two nails at each end and one nail at each intermediate bearing. Plaster mixed 1:2 by weight, gypsum-to-sand aggregate.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	7/8
	13-1.2	Cement or gypsum plaster on metal lath. Lath fastened with 1½" by No. 11 gage by 7/16" head barbed shank roofing nails spaced 5" on center. Plaster mixed 1:2 for scratch coat and 1:3 for brown coat, by weight, cement to sand aggregate.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	5/8

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	13-1.3	Perlite or vermiculite gypsum plaster on metal lath secured to joists with 1½" by No. 11 gage by 7/16" head barbed shank roofing nails spaced 5" on center.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	5/8
	13-1.4	½" Type X gypsum wallboard ^c nailed to joists with 5d cooler ^o or wallboard ^o nails at 6" on center. End joints of wallboard centered on joists.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1/2
14. Plywood stressed skin panels consisting of 5/8"-thick interior C-D (exterior glue) top stressed skin on 2" × 6" nominal (minimum) stringers. Adjacent panel edges joined with 8d common wire nails spaced 6" on center. Stringers spaced 12" maximum on center.	14-1.1	½"-thick wood fiberboard weighing 15 to 18 pounds per cubic foot installed with long dimension parallel to stringers or 3/8" C-D (exterior glue) plywood glued and/or nailed to stringers. Nailing to be with 5d cooler ^o or wallboard ^o nails at 12" on center. Second layer of ½" Type X gypsum wallboard ^c applied with long dimension perpendicular to joists and attached with 8d cooler ^o or wallboard ^o nails at 6" on center at end joints and 8" on center elsewhere. Wallboard joints staggered with respect to fiberboard joints.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
15. Vermiculite concrete slab proportioned 1:4 (Portland cement to vermiculite aggregate) on a 1½"-deep steel deck supported on individually protected steel framing. Maximum span of deck 6'-10" where deck is less than 0.019 inch (No. 26 carbon steel sheet gage) or greater. Slab reinforced with 4" × 8" 0.109/0.083" (No. 12/14 B.W. gage) welded wire mesh.	15-1.1	None	—	—	—	3 ^j	—	—	—	—
16. Perlite concrete slab proportioned 1:6 (Portland cement to perlite aggregate) on a 1¼"-deep steel deck supported on individually protected steel framing. Slab reinforced with 4" × 8" 0.109/0.083" (No. 12/14 B.W. gage) welded wire mesh.	16-1.1	None	—	—	—	3½ ^j	—	—	—	—
17. Perlite concrete slab proportioned 1:6 (Portland cement to perlite aggregate) on a 9/16"-deep steel deck supported by steel joists 4' on center. Class A or B roof covering on top.	17-1.1	Perlite gypsum plaster on metal lath wire tied to ¾" furring channels attached with 0.065" (No. 16 B.W. gage) wire ties to lower chord of joists.	—	2 ^p	2 ^p	—	—	7/8	¾	—
18. Perlite concrete slab proportioned 1:6 (Portland cement to perlite aggregate) on 1¼"-deep steel deck supported on individually protected steel framing. Maximum span of deck 6'-10" where deck is less than 0.019" (No. 26 carbon sheet steel gage) and 8'-0" where deck is 0.019" (No. 26 carbon sheet steel gage) or greater. Slab reinforced with 0.042" (No. 19 B.W. gage) hexagonal wire mesh. Class A or B roof covering on top.	18-1.1	None	—	2¼ ^p	2¼ ^p	—	—	—	—	—

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19. Floor and beam construction consisting of 3"-deep cellular steel floor unit mounted on steel members with 1:4 (proportion of Portland cement to perlite aggregate) perlite-concrete floor slab on top.	19-1.1	Suspended envelope ceiling of perlite gypsum plaster on metal lath attached to 3/4" cold-rolled channels, secured to 1 1/2" cold-rolled channels spaced 42" on center supported by 0.203 inch (No. 6 B.W. gage) wire 36" on center. Beams in envelope with 3" minimum airspace between beam soffit and lath have a 4-hour rating.	2 ^p	—	—	—	1 ^l	—	—	—
20. Perlite concrete proportioned 1:6 (Portland cement to perlite aggregate) poured to 1/8" thickness above top of corrugations of 1 5/16"-deep galvanized steel deck maximum span 8'-0" for 0.024" (No. 24 galvanized sheet gage) or 6'-0" for 0.019" (No. 26 galvanized sheet gage) with deck supported by individually protected steel framing. Approved polystyrene foam plastic insulation board having a flame spread not exceeding 75 (1" to 4" thickness) with vent holes that approximate 3 percent of the board surface area placed on top of perlite slurry. A 2' by 4' insulation board contains six 2 3/4" diameter holes. Board covered with 2 1/4" minimum perlite concrete slab. Slab reinforced with mesh consisting of 0.042" (No.19 B.W. gage) galvanized steel wire twisted together to form 2" hexagons with straight 0.065" (No. 16 B.W. gage) galvanized steel wire woven into mesh and spaced 3". Alternate slab reinforcement shall be permitted to consist of 4" x 8", 0.109/0.238" (No. 12/4 B.W. gage), or 2" x 2", 0.083/0.083" (No. 14/14 B.W. gage) welded wire fabric. Class A or B roof covering on top.	20-1.1	None	—	—	Varies	—	—	—	—	—
21. Wood joists, wood I-joists, floor trusses and flat or pitched roof trusses spaced a maximum 24" o.c. with 1/2" wood structural panels with exterior glue applied at right angles to top of joist or top chord of trusses with 8 dnails. The wood structural panel thickness shall be not less than nominal 1/2" nor less than required by Chapter 23.	21-1.1	Base layer 5/8" Type X gypsum wallboard applied at right angles to joist or truss 24" o.c. with 1 1/4" Type S or Type W drywall screws 24" o.c. Face layer 5/8" Type X gypsum wallboard or veneer base applied at right angles to joist or truss through base layer with 1 7/8" Type S or Type W drywall screws 12" o.c. at joints and intermediate joist or truss. Face layer Type G drywall screws placed 2" back on either side of face layer end joints, 12" o.c.	—	—	—	Varies	—	—	—	1 1/4
22. Steel joists, floor trusses and flat or pitched roof trusses spaced a maximum 24" o.c. with 1/2" wood structural panels with exterior glue applied at right angles to top of joist or top chord of trusses with No. 8 screws. The wood structural panel thickness shall be not less than nominal 1/2" nor less than required by Chapter 23.	22-1.1	Base layer 5/8" Type X gypsum board applied at right angles to steel framing 24" on center with 1" Type S dry wall screws spaced 24" on center. Face layer 5/8" Type X gypsum board applied at right angles to steel framing attached through base layer with 1 5/8" Type S dry wall screws 12" on center at end joints and intermediate joints and 1 1/2" Type G dry wall screws 12 inches on center placed 2" back on either side of face layer end joints. Joints of the face layer are offset 24" from the joints of the base layer.	—	—	—	Varies	—	—	—	1 1/4

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23. Wood I-joist (minimum joist depth 9 ¹ / ₄ " with a minimum flange depth of 1 ⁵ / ₁₆ " and a minimum flange cross-sectional area of 2.25 square inches) at 24" o.c. spacing with a minimum 1 x 4 (3 ³ / ₄ " x 3.5"actual) ledger strip applied parallel to and covering the bottom of the bottom flange of each member, tacked in place. 2" mineral wool insulation, 3.5 pcf (nominal) installed adjacent to the bottom flange of the I-joist and supported by the 1 x 4 ledger strip.	23-1.1	1/2"-deep single-leg resilient channel 16" on center (channels doubled at wallboard end joints), placed perpendicular to the furring strip and joist and attached to each joist by 1 ⁷ / ₈ " Type S drywall screws. 5/8" Type C gypsum wallboard applied perpendicular to the channel with end joints staggered not less than 4' and fastened with 1 ¹ / ₈ " Type S drywall screws spaced 7" on center. Wallboard joints to be taped and covered with joint compound.	—	—	—	Varies	—	—	—	5/8
24. Wood I-joist (minimum I-joist depth 9 ¹ / ₄ " with a minimum flange depth of 1 ¹ / ₂ " and a minimum flange cross-sectional area of 5.25 square inches; minimum web thickness of 3/8") @ 24" o.c., 1 ¹ / ₂ " mineral wool insulation (2.5 pcf-nominal) resting on hat-shaped furring channels.	24-1.1	Minimum 0.026" thick hat-shaped channel 16" o.c. (channels doubled at wallboard end joints), placed perpendicular to the joist and attached to each joist by 1 ¹ / ₄ " Type S drywall screws. 5/8" Type C gypsum wallboard applied perpendicular to the channel with end joints staggered and fastened with 1 ¹ / ₈ " Type S drywall screws spaced 12" o.c. in the field and 8" o.c. at the wallboard ends. Wallboard joints to be taped and covered with joint compound.	—	—	—	Varies	—	—	—	5/8
25. Wood I-joist (minimum I-joist depth 9 ¹ / ₄ " with a minimum flange depth of 1 ¹ / ₂ " and a minimum flange cross-sectional area of 5.25 square inches; minimum web thickness of 7/16") @ 24" o.c., 1 ¹ / ₂ " mineral wool insulation (2.5 pcf-nominal) resting on resilient channels.	25-1.1	Minimum 0.019"-thick resilient channel 16" o.c. (channels doubled at wallboard end joints), placed perpendicular to the joist and attached to each joist by 1 ⁵ / ₈ " Type S drywall screws. 5/8" Type C gypsum wallboard applied perpendicular to the channel with end joints staggered and fastened with 1" Type S drywall screws spaced 12" o.c. in the field and 8" o.c. at the wallboard ends. Wallboard joints to be taped and covered with joint compound.	—	—	—	Varies	—	—	—	5/8

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26. Wood I-joist (minimum I-joist depth 9 ¹ / ₄ " with a minimum flange thickness of 1 ¹ / ₂ " and a minimum flange cross-sectional area of 2.25 square inches; minimum web thick-ness of 3/8") @ 24" o.c.	26-1.1	Two layers of 1/2" Type X gypsum wallboard applied with the long dimension perpendicular to the I-joists with end joints staggered. The base layer is fastened with 1 ⁵ / ₈ " Type S dry wall screws spaced 12" o.c. and the face layer is fastened with 2" Type S drywall screws spaced 12" o.c. in the field and 8" o.c. on the edges. Face layer end joints shall not occur on the same I-joist as base layer end joints and edge joints shall be offset 24" from base layer joints. Face layer to also be attached to base layer with 1 ¹ / ₂ " Type G drywall screws spaced 8" o.c. placed 6" from face layer end joints. Face layer wallboard joints to be taped and covered with joint compound.	—	—	—	Varie s	—	—	—	1
27. Wood I-joist (minimum I-joist depth 9 ¹ / ₂ " with a minimum flange depth of 1 ⁵ / ₁₆ " and a minimum flange cross-sectional area of 1.95 square inches; minimum web thickness of 3/8") @ 24" o.c.	27-1.1	Minimum 0.019" thick resilient channel 16" o.c. (channels doubled at wallboard end joints), placed perpendicular to the joist and attached to each joist by 1 ¹ / ₄ " Type S drywall screws. Two layers of 1/2" Type X gypsum wallboard applied with the long dimension perpendicular to the resilient channels with end joints staggered. The base layer is fastened with 1 ¹ / ₄ " Type S drywall screws spaced 12" o.c. and the face layer is fastened with 1 ⁵ / ₈ " Type S drywall screws spaced 12" o.c. Face layer end joints shall not occur on the same I-joist as base layer end joints and edge joints shall be offset 24" from base layer joints. Face layer to also be attached to base layer with 1 ¹ / ₂ " Type G drywall screws spaced 8" o.c. placed 6" from face layer end joints. Face layer wallboard joints to be taped and covered with joint compound.	—	—	—	Varie s	—	—	—	1

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28. Wood I-joist (minimum I-joist depth 9 ¹ / ₄ " with a minimum flange depth of 1 ¹ / ₂ " and a minimum flange cross-sectional area of 2.25 square inches; minimum web thickness of ³ / ₈ ") @ 24" o.c. Unfaced fiberglass insulation or mineral wool insulation is installed between the I-joists supported on the upper surface of the flange by stay wires spaced 12" o.c.	28-1.1	Base layer of ⁵ / ₈ " Type C gypsum wallboard attached directly to I-joists with ¹ / ₈ " Type S drywall screws spaced 12" o.c. with ends staggered. Minimum 0.0179"-thick hat-shaped ⁷ / ₈ -inch furring channel 16" o.c. (channels doubled at wallboard end joints), placed perpendicular to the joist and attached to each joist by ¹ / ₈ " Type S drywall screws after the base layer of gypsum wallboard has been applied. The middle and face layers of ⁵ / ₈ " Type C gypsum wallboard applied perpendicular to the channel with end joints staggered. The middle layer is fastened with 1" Type S drywall screws spaced 12" o.c. The face layer is applied parallel to the middle layer but with the edge joints offset 24" from those of the middle layer and fastened with ¹ / ₈ " Type S drywall screws 8" o.c. The joints shall be taped and covered with joint compound.	—	—	—	Varies	—	—	2 ³ / ₄	—
29. Channel-shaped 18 gage steel joists (minimum depth 8") spaced a maximum 24" o.c. supporting tongue-and-groove wood structural panels (nominal minimum ³ / ₄ "-thick) applied perpendicular to framing members. Structural panels attached with ¹ / ₈ " Type S-12 screws spaced 12" o.c.	29-1.1	Base layer ⁵ / ₈ " Type X gypsum board applied perpendicular to bottom of framing members with ¹ / ₈ " Type S-12 screws spaced 12" o.c. Second layer ⁵ / ₈ " Type X gypsum board attached perpendicular to framing members with ¹ / ₈ " Type S-12 screws spaced 12" o.c. Second layer joints offset 24" from base layer. Third layer ⁵ / ₈ " Type X gypsum board attached perpendicular to framing members with 2 ³ / ₈ " Type S-12 screws spaced 12" o.c. Third layer joints offset 12" from second layer joints. Hat-shaped ⁷ / ₈ -inch rigid furring channels applied at right angles to framing members over third layer with two 2 ³ / ₈ " Type S-12 screws at each framing member. Face layer ⁵ / ₈ " Type X gypsum board applied at right angles to furring channels with ¹ / ₈ " Type S screws spaced 12" o.c.	—	—	Varies	—	—	—	3 ³ / ₈	—

30. Wood I-joist (minimum I-joist depth 9½" with a minimum flange depth of 1½" and a minimum flange cross-sectional area of 2.25 square inches; minimum web thickness of 3⁄8") @ 24" o.c. Fiberglass insulation placed between I-joists supported by the resilient channels.	30-1.1	Minimum 0.019"-thick resilient channel 16" o.c. (channels doubled at wallboard end joints), placed perpendicular to the joists and attached to each joist by 1¼" Type S dry wall screws. Two layers of ½" Type X gypsum wallboard applied with the long dimension perpendicular to the resilient channels with end joints staggered. The base layer is fastened with 1¼" Type S drywall screws spaced 12" o.c. and the face layer is fastened with 1½" Type S drywall screws spaced 12" o.c. Face layer end joints shall not occur on the same I-joist as base layer end joints and edge joints shall be offset 24" from base layer joints. Face layer to be attached to base layer with 1½" Type G drywall screws spaced 8" o.c. placed 6" from face layer end joints. Face layer wallboard joints to be taped and covered with joint compound.	—	—	—	Varie s	—	—	—	1
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For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm, 1 foot = 304.8 mm, 1 pound = 0.454 kg, 1 cubic foot = 0.0283 m³,

1 pound per square inch = 6.895 kPa, 1 pound per linear foot = 1.4882 kg/m.

- a. Staples with equivalent holding power and penetration shall be permitted to be used as alternate fasteners to nails for attachment to wood framing.
- b. Where the slab is in an unrestrained condition, minimum reinforcement cover shall be not less than 1⅝ inches for 4 hours (siliceous aggregate only); 1¼ inches for 4 and 3 hours; 1 inch for 2 hours (siliceous aggregate only); and ¾ inch for all other restrained and unrestrained conditions.
- c. For all of the construction with gypsum wallboard described in this table, gypsum base for veneer plaster of the same size, thickness and core type shall be permitted to be substituted for gypsum wallboard, provided that attachment is identical to that specified for the wallboard, and the joints on the face layer are reinforced and the entire surface is covered with not less than 1⁄16-inch gypsum veneer plaster.
- d. Slab thickness over steel joists measured at the joists for metal lath form and at the top of the form for steel form units.
- e.
 - (a) The maximum allowable stress level for H-Series joists shall not exceed 22,000 psi.
 - (b) The allowable stress for K-Series joists shall not exceed 26,000 psi, the nominal depth of such joist shall be not less than 10 inches and the nominal joist weight shall be not less than 5 pounds per linear foot.
- f. Cement plaster with 15 pounds of hydrated lime and 3 pounds of approved additives or admixtures per bag of cement.
- g. Gypsum wallboard ceilings attached to steel framing shall be permitted to be suspended with 1½-inch cold-formed carrying channels spaced 48 inches on center, that are suspended with No. 8 SWG galvanized wire hangers spaced 48 inches on center. Cross-furring channels are tied to the carrying channels with No. 18 SWG galvanized wire hangers spaced 48 inches on center. Cross-furring channels are tied to the carrying channels with No. 18 SWG galvanized wire (double strand) and spaced as required for direct attachment to the framing. This alternative is applicable to those steel framing assemblies recognized under Note q.

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- h. Six-inch hollow clay tile with 2-inch concrete slab above.
- i. Four-inch hollow clay tile with 1½-inch concrete slab above.
- j. Thickness measured to bottom of steel form units.
- k. Five-eighths inch of vermiculite gypsum plaster plus ½ inch of approved vermiculite acoustical plastic.
- l. Furring channels spaced 12 inches on center.
- m. Double wood floor shall be permitted to be either of the following:
 - (a) Subfloor of 1-inch nominal boarding, a layer of asbestos paper weighing not less than 14 pounds per 100 square feet and a layer of 1-inch nominal tongue-and-groove finished flooring.
 - (b) Subfloor of 1-inch nominal tongue-and-groove boarding or 15/32-inch wood structural panels with exterior glue and a layer of 1-inch nominal tongue-and-groove finished flooring or 19/32-inch wood structural panel finish flooring or a layer of Type I Grade M-1 particleboard not less than 5/8-inch thick.
- n. The ceiling shall be permitted to be omitted over unusable space, and flooring shall be permitted to be omitted where unusable space occurs above.
- o. For properties of cooler or wallboard nails, see [ASTM C514](#), [ASTM C547](#) or [ASTM F1667](#).
- p. Thickness measured on top of steel deck unit.
- q. Generic fire-resistance ratings (those not designated as PROPRIETARY* in the listing) in the [GA-600](#) shall be accepted as if herein specified.

721.1.1 Thickness of protective coverings.

The thickness of fire-resistant materials required for protection of structural members shall be not less than set forth in [Table 721.1\(1\)](#), except as modified in this section. The figures shown shall be the net thickness of the protecting materials and shall not include any hollow space in back of the protection.

721.1.2 Unit masonry protection.

Where required, metal ties shall be embedded in *bed joints* of unit masonry for protection of steel columns. Such ties shall be as set forth in [Table 721.1\(1\)](#) or be equivalent thereto.

721.1.3 Reinforcement for cast-in-place concrete column protection.

Cast-in-place concrete protection for steel columns shall be reinforced at the edges of such members with wire ties of not less than 0.18 inch (4.6 mm) in diameter wound spirally around the columns on a pitch of not more than 8 inches (203 mm) or by equivalent reinforcement.

721.1.4 Plaster application.

The finish coat is not required for plaster protective coatings where those coatings comply with the design mix and thickness requirements of [Tables 721.1\(1\)](#), [721.1\(2\)](#) and [721.1\(3\)](#).

721.1.5 Bonded prestressed concrete tendons.

For members having a single tendon or more than one tendon installed with equal concrete cover measured from the nearest surface, the cover shall be not less than that set forth in [Table 721.1\(1\)](#). For members having multiple tendons installed with variable concrete cover, the average tendon cover shall be not less than that set forth in [Table 721.1\(1\)](#), provided that:

1. The clearance from each tendon to the nearest exposed surface is used to determine the average cover.
2. The clear cover for individual tendons shall not be less than one-half of that set forth in [Table 721.1\(1\)](#). A minimum cover of 3/4 inch (19.1 mm) for slabs and 1 inch (25 mm) for beams is required for any aggregate concrete.
3. For the purpose of establishing a *fire-resistance rating*, tendons having a clear covering less than that set forth in [Table 721.1\(1\)](#) shall not contribute more than 50 percent of the required ultimate moment capacity for members less than 350 square inches (0.226 m²) in cross-sectional area and 65 percent for larger members. For structural design purposes, however, tendons having a reduced cover are assumed to be fully effective.

SECTION 722 CALCULATED FIRE RESISTANCE

722.1 General.

The provisions of this section contain procedures by which the *fire resistance* of specific materials or combinations of materials is established by calculations. These procedures apply only to the information contained in this section and shall not be otherwise used. The calculated *fire resistance of specific materials or combinations of materials shall be established by one of the following*:

1. *Concrete, concrete masonry and clay masonry assemblies shall be permitted in accordance with* [ACI 216.1/TMS 0216](#).
2. *Precast and precast, prestressed concrete assemblies shall be permitted in accordance with* [PCI 124](#).
3. *Steel assemblies shall be permitted in accordance with* [Chapter 5 of ASCE 29](#).
4. *Exposed wood members and wood decking shall be permitted in accordance with* [Chapter 16 of ANSI/AWC NDS](#).

722.2 Concrete assemblies.

The provisions of this section contain procedures by which the *fire-resistance ratings* of concrete assemblies are established by calculations.

722.2.1 Concrete walls.

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Cast-in-place and precast concrete walls shall comply with [Section 722.2.1.1](#). Multiwythe concrete walls shall comply with [Section 722.2.1.2](#). Joints between precast panels shall comply with [Section 722.2.1.3](#). Concrete walls with *gypsum wallboard* or plaster finish shall comply with [Section 722.2.1.4](#).

722.2.1.1 Cast-in-place or precast walls.

The minimum equivalent thicknesses of cast-in-place or precast concrete walls for *fire-resistance ratings* of 1 hour to 4 hours are shown in [Table 722.2.1.1](#). For solid walls with flat vertical surfaces, the equivalent thickness is the same as the actual thickness. The values in [Table 722.2.1.1](#) apply to plain, reinforced or prestressed concrete walls.

TABLE 722.2.1.1

MINIMUM EQUIVALENT THICKNESS OF CAST-IN-PLACE OR PRECAST CONCRETE WALLS, LOAD-BEARING OR NONLOAD-BEARING

CONCRETE TYPE	MINIMUM SLAB THICKNESS (inches) FOR FIRE-RESISTANCE RATING OF				
	1 hour	1½ hours	2 hours	3 hours	4 hours
Siliceous	3.5	4.3	5.0	6.2	7.0
Carbonate	3.2	4.0	4.6	5.7	6.6
Sand-lightweight	2.7	3.3	3.8	4.6	5.4
Lightweight	2.5	3.1	3.6	4.4	5.1

For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm.

722.2.1.1.1 Hollow-core precast wall panels.

For hollow-core precast concrete wall panels in which the cores are of constant cross section throughout the length, calculation of the equivalent thickness by dividing the net cross-sectional area (the gross cross section minus the area of the cores) of the panel by its width shall be permitted

722.2.1.1.2 Core spaces filled.

Where all of the core spaces of hollow-core wall panels are filled with loose-fill material, such as expanded shale, clay or slag, or vermiculite or perlite, the *fire-resistance rating* of the wall is the same as that of a solid wall of the same concrete type and of the same overall thickness.

722.2.1.1.3 Tapered cross sections.

The thickness of panels with tapered cross sections shall be that determined at a distance 2 or 6 inches (152 mm), whichever is less, from the point of minimum thickness, where t is the minimum thickness.

722.2.1.1.4 Ribbed or undulating surfaces.

The equivalent thickness of panels with ribbed or undulating surfaces shall be determined by one of the following expressions:

For $s \geq 4t$, the thickness to be used shall be t

For $s \leq 2t$, the thickness to be used shall be t_e

For $4t > s > 2t$, the thickness to be used shall be

$$t + \left(\frac{4t}{s} - 1\right)(t_e - t)$$

where:

s = Spacing of ribs or undulations.

t = Minimum thickness.

t_e = Equivalent thickness of the panel calculated as the net cross-sectional area of the panel divided by the width, in which the maximum thickness used in the calculation shall not exceed $2t$.

(Equation 7-3)

722.2.1.2 Multiwythe walls.

For walls that consist of two *wythes* of different types of concrete, the *fire-resistance ratings* shall be permitted to be determined from [Figure 722.2.1.2](#).

TABLE 722.2.1.2(1)
VALUES OF $R_n^{0.59}$ FOR USE IN EQUATION 7-4

TYPE OF MATERIAL	THICKNESS OF MATERIAL (inches)											
	1½	2	2½	3	3½	4	4½	5	5½	6	6½	7
Siliceous aggregate concrete	5.3	6.5	8.1	9.5	11.3	13.0	14.9	16.9	18.8	20.7	22.8	25.1
Carbonate aggregate concrete	5.5	7.1	8.9	10.4	12.0	14.0	16.2	18.1	20.3	21.9	24.7	27.2 ^c
Sand-lightweight concrete	6.5	8.2	10.5	12.8	15.5	18.1	20.7	23.3	26.0 ^c	Note c	Note c	Note c
Lightweight concrete	6.6	8.8	11.2	13.7	16.5	19.1	21.9	24.7	27.8 ^c	Note c	Note c	Note c
Insulating concrete ^a	9.3	13.3	16.6	18.3	23.1	26.5 ^c	Note c	Note c	Note c	Note c	Note c	Note c
Airspace ^b	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm, 1 pound per cubic foot = 16.02 kg/m³.

- Dry unit weight of 35 pcf or less and consisting of cellular, perlite or vermiculite concrete.
- The $R_n^{0.59}$ value for one 1½" to 3½" airspace is 3.3. The $R_n^{0.59}$ value for two 1½" to 3½" airspaces is 6.7.

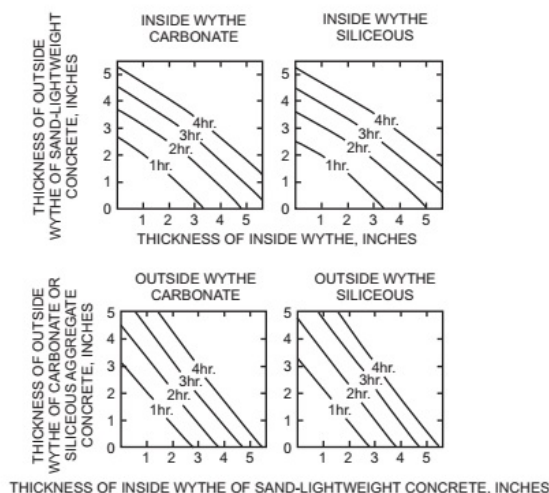
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c. The fire-resistance rating for this thickness exceeds 4 hours.

TABLE 722.2.1.2(2)
FIRE-RESISTANCE RATINGS BASED ON $R^{0.59}$

R^a , MINUTES	$R^{0.59}$
60	11.20
120	16.85
180	21.41
240	25.37



For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm.

FIGURE 722.2.1.2
FIRE-RESISTANCE RATINGS OF TWO-WYTHE CONCRETE WALLS

722.2.1.2.1 Two or more wythes.

The *fire-resistance rating* for wall panels consisting of two or more *wythes* shall be permitted to be determined by the formula:

$$R = (R_1^{0.59} + R_2^{0.59} + \dots + R_n^{0.59})^{1.7}$$

where:

(Equation 7-4)

R = The fire endurance of the assembly, minutes.

R_1 , R_2 , and R_n = The fire endurances of the individual wythes, minutes. Values of $R_n^{0.59}$ for use in Equation 7-4 are given in Table 722.2.1.2(1). Calculated *fire-resistance ratings* are shown in Table 722.2.1.2(2).

722.2.1.2.2 Foam plastic insulation.

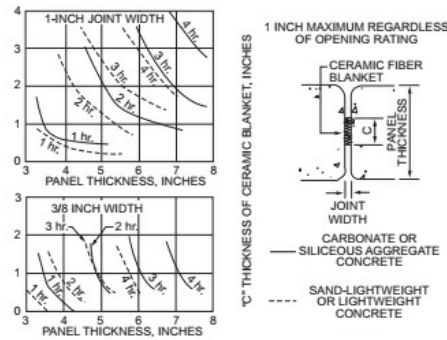
The *fire-resistance ratings* of precast concrete wall panels consisting of a layer of foam plastic insulation sandwiched between two wythes of concrete shall be permitted to be determined by use of Equation 7-4. Foam plastic insulation with a total thickness of less than 1 inch (25 mm) shall be disregarded. The R_n value for thickness of foam plastic insulation of 1 inch (25 mm) or greater, for use in the calculation, is 5 minutes; therefore $R_n^{0.59} = 2.5$.

722.2.1.3 Joints between precast wall panels.

Joints between precast concrete wall panels that are not insulated as required by this section shall be considered as openings in walls. Uninsulated joints shall be included in determining the percentage of openings permitted by Table 705.8. Where openings are not permitted or are required by this code to be protected, the provisions of this section shall be used to determine the amount of joint insulation required. Insulated joints shall not be considered openings for purposes of determining compliance with the allowable percentage of openings in Table 705.8.

722.2.1.3.1 Ceramic fiber joint protection.

Figure 722.2.1.3.1 shows thicknesses of *ceramic fiber blankets* to be used to insulate joints between precast concrete wall panels for various panel thicknesses and for joint widths of $\frac{3}{8}$ inch (9.5 mm) and 1 inch (25 mm) for *fire-resistance ratings* of 1 hour to 4 hours. For joint widths between $\frac{3}{8}$ inch (9.5 mm) and 1 inch (25 mm), the thickness of *ceramic fiber blanket* is allowed to be determined by direct interpolation. Other tested and labeled materials are acceptable in place of *ceramic fiber blankets*.



For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm.

FIGURE 722.2.1.3.1
CERAMIC FIBER JOINT PROTECTION

722.2.1.4 Walls with gypsum wallboard or plaster finishes.

The fire-resistance rating of cast-in-place or precast concrete walls with finishes of *gypsum wallboard* or plaster applied to one or both sides shall be permitted to be calculated in accordance with the provisions of this section.

TABLE 722.2.1.4(1)
MULTIPLYING FACTOR FOR FINISHES ON NONFIRE-EXPOSED SIDE OF WALL

TYPE OF FINISH APPLIED TO CONCRETE OR CONCRETE MASONRY WALL	TYPE OF AGGREGATE USED IN CONCRETE OR CONCRETE MASONRY			
	Concrete: siliceous or carbonate concrete masonry: siliceous or carbonate; solid clay brick	Concrete: sand-lightweight concrete masonry: clay tile; hollow clay brick; concrete masonry units of expanded shale and < 20% sand	Concrete: lightweight concrete masonry: concrete masonry units of expanded shale, expanded clay, expanded slag, or pumice < 20% sand	Concrete masonry: concrete masonry units of expanded slag, expanded clay, or pumice
Portland cement-sand plaster	1.00	0.75 ^a	0.75 ^a	0.50 ^a
Gypsum-sand plaster	1.25	1.00	1.00	1.00
Gypsum-vermiculite or perlite plaster	1.75	1.50	1.25	1.25
Gypsum wallboard	3.00	2.25	2.25	2.25

For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm.

- a. For Portland cement-sand plaster $\frac{5}{8}$ inch or less in thickness and applied directly to the concrete or concrete masonry on the nonfire-exposed side of the wall, the multiplying factor shall be 1.00.

TABLE 722.2.1.4(2)
TIME ASSIGNED TO FINISH MATERIALS ON FIRE-EXPOSED SIDE OF WALL

FINISH DESCRIPTION	TIME (minutes)
Gypsum wallboard	
$\frac{3}{8}$ inch	10
$\frac{1}{2}$ inch	15
$\frac{5}{8}$ inch	20
2 layers of $\frac{3}{8}$ inch	25
1 layer of $\frac{3}{8}$ inch, 1 layer of $\frac{1}{2}$ inch	35
2 layers of $\frac{1}{2}$ inch	40
Type X gypsum wallboard	
$\frac{1}{2}$ inch	25
$\frac{5}{8}$ inch	40
Portland cement-sand plaster applied directly to concrete masonry	See Note a
Portland cement-sand plaster on metal lath	
$\frac{3}{4}$ inch	20
$\frac{7}{8}$ inch	25
1 inch	30
Gypsum sand plaster on $\frac{3}{8}$ -inch gypsum lath	

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1/2 inch	35
5/8 inch	40
3/4 inch	50
Gypsum sand plaster on metal lath	
3/4 inch	50
7/8 inch	60
1 inch	80

For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm.

- a. The actual thickness of Portland cement-sand plaster, provided that it is 5/8 inch or less in thickness, shall be permitted to be included in determining the equivalent thickness of the masonry for use in [Table 722.3.2](#).

722.2.1.4.1 Nonfire-exposed side.

Where the finish of *gypsum wallboard* or plaster is applied to the side of the wall not exposed to fire, the contribution of the finish to the total *fire-resistance rating* shall be determined as follows: The thickness of the finish shall first be corrected by multiplying the actual thickness of the finish by the applicable factor determined from [Table 722.2.1.4\(1\)](#) based on the type of aggregate in the concrete. The corrected thickness of finish shall then be added to the actual or equivalent thickness of concrete and *fire-resistance rating* of the concrete and finish determined from [Tables 722.2.1.1](#) and [722.2.1.2\(1\)](#) and [Figure 722.2.1.2](#).

722.2.1.4.2 Fire-exposed side.

Where *gypsum wallboard* or plaster is applied to the fire-exposed side of the wall, the contribution of the finish to the total *fire-resistance rating* shall be determined as follows: The time assigned to the finish as established by [Table 722.2.1.4\(2\)](#) shall be added to the *fire-resistance rating* determined from [Tables 722.2.1.1](#) and [722.2.1.2\(1\)](#) and [Figure 722.2.1.2](#) for the concrete alone, or to the rating determined in [Section 722.2.1.4.1](#) for the concrete and finish on the nonfire-exposed side.

722.2.1.4.3 Nonsymmetrical assemblies.

For a wall without finish on one side or having different types or thicknesses of finish on each side, the calculation procedures of [Sections 722.2.1.4.1](#) and [722.2.1.4.2](#) shall be performed twice, assuming either side of the wall to be the fire-exposed side. The *fire-resistance rating* of the wall shall not exceed the lower of the two values.

Exception: For an exterior wall with a *fire separation distance* greater than 5 feet (1524 mm) the fire shall be assumed to occur on the interior side only.

722.2.1.4.4 Minimum concrete fire-resistance rating.

Where finishes applied to one or both sides of a concrete wall contribute to the *fire-resistance rating*, the concrete alone shall provide not less than one-half of the total required *fire-resistance rating*. Additionally, the contribution to the *fire resistance* of the finish on the nonfire-exposed side of a *load-bearing wall* shall not exceed one-half the contribution of the concrete alone.

722.2.1.4.5 Concrete finishes.

Finishes on concrete walls that are assumed to contribute to the total *fire-resistance rating* of the wall shall comply with the installation requirements of [Section 722.3.2.5](#).

722.2.2 Concrete floor and roof slabs.

Reinforced and prestressed floors and roofs shall comply with [Section 722.2.2.1](#). Multicourse floors and roofs shall comply with [Sections 722.2.2.2](#) and [722.2.2.3](#), respectively.

722.2.2.1 Reinforced and prestressed floors and roofs.

The minimum thicknesses of reinforced and prestressed concrete floor or roof slabs for *fire-resistance ratings* of 1 hour to 4 hours are shown in [Table 722.2.2.1](#).

Exception: Minimum thickness shall not be required for floors and *ramps* within parking garages constructed in accordance with [Sections 406.5](#) and [406.6](#).

**TABLE 722.2.2.1
MINIMUM SLAB THICKNESS (inches)**

CONCRETE TYPE	FIRE-RESISTANCE RATING (hours)				
	1	1 1/2	2	3	4
Siliceous	3.5	4.3	5	6.2	7
Carbonate	3.2	4	4.6	5.7	6.6
Sand-lightweight	2.7	3.3	3.8	4.6	5.4
Lightweight	2.5	3.1	3.6	4.4	5.1

For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm.

722.2.2.1.1 Hollow-core prestressed slabs.

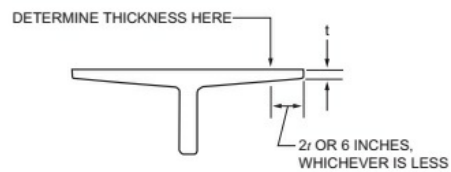
For hollow-core prestressed concrete slabs in which the cores are of constant cross section throughout the length, the equivalent thickness shall be permitted to be obtained by dividing the net cross-sectional area of the slab including grout in the joints, by its width.

722.2.2.1.2 Slabs with sloping soffits.

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The thickness of slabs with sloping soffits (see Figure 722.2.2.1.2) shall be determined at a distance $2t$ or 6 inches (152 mm), whichever is less, from the point of minimum thickness, where t is the minimum thickness.



For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm.

FIGURE 722.2.2.1.2
DETERMINATION OF SLAB THICKNESS FOR SLOPING SOFFITS

722.2.2.1.3 Slabs with ribbed soffits.

The thickness of slabs with ribbed or undulating soffits (see Figure 722.2.2.1.3) shall be determined by one of the following expressions, whichever is applicable:

For $s > 4t$, the thickness to be used shall be t

For $s \leq 2t$, the thickness to be used shall be t_e

For $4t > s > 2t$, the thickness to be used shall be

$$t + \left(\frac{4t}{s} - 1 \right) (t_e - t)$$

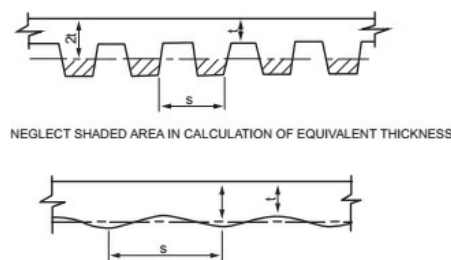
where:

(Equation 7-5)

s = Spacing of ribs or undulations.

t = Minimum thickness.

t_e = Equivalent thickness of the slab calculated as the net area of the slab divided by the width, in which the maximum thickness used in the calculation shall not exceed $2t$.



For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm.

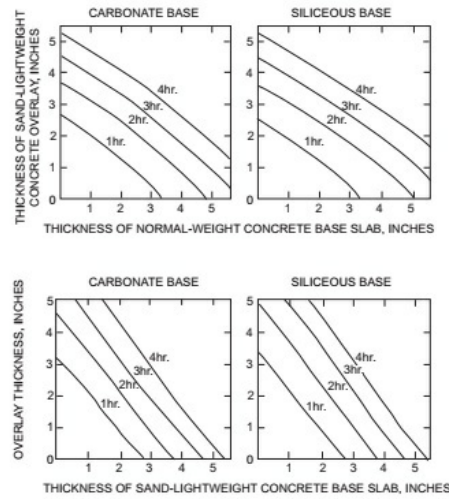
FIGURE 722.2.2.1.3
SLABS WITH RIBBED OR UNDULATING SOFFITS

722.2.2.1.4 Flat plate concrete slabs with uniformly spaced hollow voids.

Table 722.2.2.1 shall be used to determine the 1- and 2-hour fire-resistance ratings for flat plate concrete slabs with uniformly spaced hollow voids. The equivalent thickness of the slab shall be determined by dividing the net concrete volume of the slab by the floor area. The net concrete volume of the slab shall be equal to the volume of concrete of a solid slab minus the average concrete volume displaced by the hollow voids.

722.2.2.2 Multicourse floors.

The fire-resistance ratings of floors that consist of a base slab of concrete with a topping (overlay) of a different type of concrete shall comply with Figure 722.2.2.2.

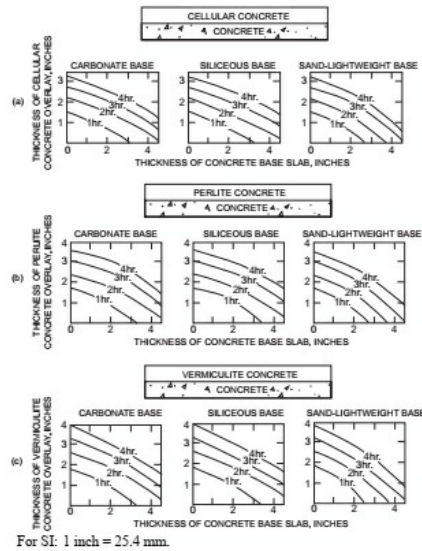


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FIGURE 722.2.2.2
FIRE-RESISTANCE RATINGS FOR TWO-COURSE CONCRETE FLOORS

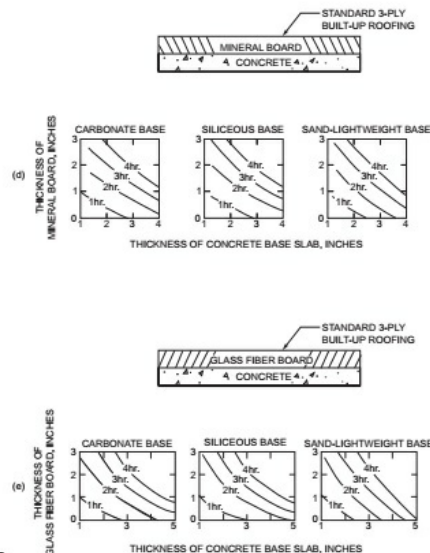
722.2.2.3 Multicourse roofs.

The *fire-resistance ratings* of roofs that consist of a base slab of concrete with a topping (overlay) of an insulating concrete or with an insulating board and built-up roofing shall comply with [Figures 722.2.2.3\(1\) and 722.2.2.3\(2\)](#).



For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm.

FIGURE 722.2.2.3(1)
FIRE-RESISTANCE RATINGS FOR CONCRETE ROOF ASSEMBLIES



For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm.

FIGURE 722.2.2.3(2)
FIRE-RESISTANCE RATINGS FOR CONCRETE ROOF ASSEMBLIES

722.2.2.3.1 Heat transfer.

For the transfer of heat, three-ply built-up roofing contributes 10 minutes to the *fire-resistance rating*. The *fire-resistance rating* for concrete assemblies such as those shown in Figure 722.2.2.3(1) shall be increased by 10 minutes. This increase is not applicable to those shown in Figure 722.2.2.3(2).

722.2.2.4 Joints in precast slabs.

Joints between adjacent precast concrete slabs need not be considered in calculating the slab thickness provided that a concrete topping not less than 1 inch (25 mm) thick is used. Where concrete topping is not used, joints must be grouted to a depth of not less than one-third the slab thickness at the joint, but not less than 1 inch (25 mm), or the joints must be made fire resistant by other *approved* methods.

722.2.3 Concrete cover over reinforcement.

The minimum thickness of concrete cover over reinforcement in concrete slabs, reinforced beams and prestressed beams shall comply with this section.

TABLE 722.2.3(1)
COVER THICKNESS FOR REINFORCED CONCRETE FLOOR OR ROOF SLABS (inches)

CONCRETE AGGREGATE TYPE	FIRE-RESISTANCE RATING (hours)									
	Restrained					Unrestrained				
	1	1½	2	3	4	1	1½	2	3	4
Siliceous	¾	¾	¾	¾	¾	¾	¾	1	1¼	1⅝
Carbonate	¾	¾	¾	¾	¾	¾	¾	¾	1¼	1¼
Sand-lightweight or lightweight	¾	¾	¾	¾	¾	¾	¾	¾	1¼	1¼

For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm.

TABLE 722.2.3(2)
COVER THICKNESS FOR PRESTRESSED CONCRETE FLOOR OR ROOF SLABS (inches)

CONCRETE AGGREGATE TYPE	FIRE-RESISTANCE RATING (hours)									
	Restrained					Unrestrained				
	1	1½	2	3	4	1	1½	2	3	4
Siliceous	¾	¾	¾	¾	¾	1⅛	1½	1¾	2⅜	2¾
Carbonate	¾	¾	¾	¾	¾	1	1⅜	1⅝	2⅛	2¼
Sand-lightweight or lightweight	¾	¾	¾	¾	¾	1	1⅜	1½	2	2¼

For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm.

TABLE 722.2.3(3)
MINIMUM COVER FOR MAIN REINFORCING BARS OF REINFORCED CONCRETE BEAMS^c (APPLICABLE TO ALL TYPES OF STRUCTURAL CONCRETE)

RESTRAINED OR UNRESTRAINED ^a	BEAM WIDTH ^b (inches)	FIRE-RESISTANCE RATING (hours)				
		1	1½	2	3	4
Restrained	5	¾	¾	¾	1 ^a	1¼ ^a
	7	¾	¾	¾	¾	¾
	≥10	¾	¾	¾	¾	¾

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Unrestrained	5	$\frac{3}{4}$	1	$1\frac{1}{4}$	—	—
	7	$\frac{3}{4}$	$\frac{3}{4}$	$\frac{3}{4}$	$1\frac{3}{4}$	3
	≥ 10	$\frac{3}{4}$	$\frac{3}{4}$	$\frac{3}{4}$	1	$1\frac{3}{4}$

For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm, 1 foot = 304.8 mm.

- Tabulated values for restrained assemblies apply to beams spaced more than 4 feet on center. For restrained beams spaced 4 feet or less on center, minimum cover of $\frac{3}{4}$ inch is adequate for ratings of 4 hours or less.
- For beam widths between the tabulated values, the minimum cover thickness can be determined by direct interpolation.
- The cover for an individual reinforcing bar is the minimum thickness of concrete between the surface of the bar and the fire-exposed surface of the beam. For beams in which several bars are used, the cover for corner bars used in the calculation shall be reduced to one-half of the actual value. The cover for an individual bar must be not less than one-half of the value given in [Table 722.2.3\(3\)](#) nor less than $\frac{3}{4}$ inch.

TABLE 722.2.3(4)
MINIMUM COVER FOR PRESTRESSED CONCRETE BEAMS 8 INCHES OR GREATER IN WIDTH ^b

RESTRAINED OR UNRESTRAINED ^a	CONCRETE AGGREGATE TYPE	BEAM WIDTH (inches)	FIRE-RESISTANCE RATING (hours)				
			1	$1\frac{1}{2}$	2	3	4
Restrained	Carbonate or siliceous	8	$1\frac{1}{2}$	$1\frac{1}{2}$	$1\frac{1}{2}$	$1\frac{3}{4}$ ^a	$2\frac{1}{2}$ ^a
	Carbonate or siliceous	≥ 12	$1\frac{1}{2}$	$1\frac{1}{2}$	$1\frac{1}{2}$	$1\frac{1}{2}$	$1\frac{7}{8}$ ^a
	Sand lightweight	8	$1\frac{1}{2}$	$1\frac{1}{2}$	$1\frac{1}{2}$	$1\frac{1}{2}$	2 ^a
	Sand lightweight	≥ 12	$1\frac{1}{2}$	$1\frac{1}{2}$	$1\frac{1}{2}$	$1\frac{1}{2}$	$1\frac{5}{8}$ ^a
Unrestrained	Carbonate or siliceous	8	$1\frac{1}{2}$	$1\frac{3}{4}$	$2\frac{1}{2}$	5 ^c	—
	Carbonate or siliceous	≥ 12	$1\frac{1}{2}$	$1\frac{1}{2}$	$1\frac{7}{8}$ ^a	$2\frac{1}{2}$	3
	Sand lightweight	8	$1\frac{1}{2}$	$1\frac{1}{2}$	2	$3\frac{1}{4}$	—
	Sand lightweight	≥ 12	$1\frac{1}{2}$	$1\frac{1}{2}$	$1\frac{5}{8}$	2	$2\frac{1}{2}$

For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm, 1 foot = 304.8 mm.

- Tabulated values for restrained assemblies apply to beams spaced more than 4 feet on center. For restrained beams spaced 4 feet or less on center, minimum cover of $\frac{3}{4}$ inch is adequate for 4-hour ratings or less.
- For beam widths between 8 inches and 12 inches, minimum cover thickness can be determined by direct interpolation.
- Not practical for 8-inch-wide beam but shown for purposes of interpolation.

TABLE 722.2.3(5)
MINIMUM COVER FOR PRESTRESSED CONCRETE BEAMS OF ALL WIDTHS

RESTRAINED OR UNRESTRAINED ^a	CONCRETE AGGREGATE TYPE	BEAM AREA ^b A (square inches)	FIRE-RESISTANCE RATING (hours)				
			1	$1\frac{1}{2}$	2	3	4
Restrained	All	$40 \leq A \leq 150$	$1\frac{1}{2}$	$1\frac{1}{2}$	2	$2\frac{1}{2}$	—
	Carbonate or siliceous	$150 < A \leq 300$	$1\frac{1}{2}$	$1\frac{1}{2}$	$1\frac{1}{2}$	$1\frac{3}{4}$	$2\frac{1}{2}$
		$300 < A$	$1\frac{1}{2}$	$1\frac{1}{2}$	$1\frac{1}{2}$	$1\frac{1}{2}$	2
	Sand lightweight	$150 < A$	$1\frac{1}{2}$	$1\frac{1}{2}$	$1\frac{1}{2}$	$1\frac{1}{2}$	2
Unrestrained	All	$40 \leq A \leq 150$	2	$2\frac{1}{2}$	—	—	—
	Carbonate or siliceous	$150 < A \leq 300$	$1\frac{1}{2}$	$1\frac{3}{4}$	$2\frac{1}{2}$	—	—
		$300 < A$	$1\frac{1}{2}$	$1\frac{1}{2}$	2	3 ^c	4 ^c
	Sand lightweight	$150 < A$	$1\frac{1}{2}$	$1\frac{1}{2}$	2	3 ^c	4 ^c

For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm, 1 foot = 304.8 mm, 1 square inch = 645.2 mm².

- Tabulated values for restrained assemblies apply to beams spaced more than 4 feet on center. For restrained beams spaced 4 feet or less on center, minimum cover of $\frac{3}{4}$ inch is adequate for 4-hour ratings or less.
- The cross-sectional area of a stem is permitted to include a portion of the area in the flange, provided that the width of the flange used in the calculation does not exceed three times the average width of the stem.

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- c. U-shaped or hooped stirrups spaced not to exceed the depth of the member and having a minimum cover of 1 inch shall be provided.

722.2.3.1 Slab cover.

The minimum thickness of concrete cover to the positive moment reinforcement shall comply with Table 722.2.3(1) for reinforced concrete and Table 722.2.3(2) for prestressed concrete. These tables are applicable for solid or hollow-core one-way or two-way slabs with flat undersurfaces. These tables are applicable to slabs that are either cast in place or precast. For precast prestressed concrete not covered elsewhere, the procedures contained in PCI 124 shall be acceptable.

722.2.3.2 Reinforced beam cover.

The minimum thickness of concrete cover to the positive moment reinforcement (bottom steel) for reinforced concrete beams is shown in Table 722.2.3(3) for fire-resistance ratings of 1 hour to 4 hours.

722.2.3.3 Prestressed beam cover.

The minimum thickness of concrete cover to the positive moment prestressing tendons (bottom steel) for restrained and unrestrained prestressed concrete beams and stemmed units shall comply with the values shown in Tables 722.2.3(4) and 722.2.3(5) for fire-resistance ratings of 1 hour to 4 hours. Values in Table 722.2.3(4) apply to beams 8 inches (203 mm) or greater in width. Values in Table 722.2.3(5) apply to beams or stems of any width, provided that the cross-section area is not less than 40 square inches (25 806 mm²). In case of differences between the values determined from Table 722.2.3(4) or 722.2.3(5), it is permitted to use the smaller value. The concrete cover shall be calculated in accordance with Section 722.2.3.3.1. The minimum concrete cover for nonprestressed reinforcement in prestressed concrete beams shall comply with Section 722.2.3.2.

722.2.3.3.1 Calculating concrete cover.

The concrete cover for an individual tendon is the minimum thickness of concrete between the surface of the tendon and the fire-exposed surface of the beam, except that for ungrouted ducts, the assumed cover thickness is the minimum thickness of concrete between the surface of the duct and the fire-exposed surface of the beam. For beams in which two or more tendons are used, the cover is assumed to be the average of the minimum cover of the individual tendons. For corner tendons (tendons equal distance from the bottom and side), the minimum cover used in the calculation shall be one-half the actual value. For stemmed members with two or more prestressing tendons located along the vertical centerline of the stem, the average cover shall be the distance from the bottom of the member to the centroid of the tendons. The actual cover for any individual tendon shall be not less than one-half the smaller value shown in Tables 722.2.3(4) and 722.2.3(5), or 1 inch (25 mm), whichever is greater.

722.2.4 Concrete columns.

Concrete columns shall comply with this section.

TABLE 722.2.4
MINIMUM DIMENSION OF CONCRETE COLUMNS (inches)

TYPES OF CONCRETE	FIRE-RESISTANCE RATING (hours)				
	1	1½	2 ^a	3 ^a	4 ^b
Siliceous	8	9	10	12	14
Carbonate	8	9	10	11	12
Sand-lightweight	8	8½	9	10½	12

For SI: 1 inch = 25 mm.

- The minimum dimension is permitted to be reduced to 8 inches for rectangular columns with two parallel sides not less than 36 inches in length.
- The minimum dimension is permitted to be reduced to 10 inches for rectangular columns with two parallel sides not less than 36 inches in length.

722.2.4.1 Minimum size.

The minimum overall dimensions of reinforced concrete columns for fire-resistance ratings of 1 hour to 4 hours for exposure to fire on all sides shall comply with this section.

722.2.4.1.1 Concrete strength less than or equal to 12,000 psi.

For columns made with concrete having a specified compressive strength, f_c , of less than or equal to 12,000 psi (82.7 MPa), the minimum dimension shall comply with Table 722.2.4.

722.2.4.1.2 Concrete strength greater than 12,000 psi.

For columns made with concrete having a specified compressive strength, f_c , greater than 12,000 psi (82.7 MPa), for fire-resistance ratings of 1 hour to 4 hours the minimum dimension shall be 24 inches (610 mm).

722.2.4.2 Minimum cover for R/C columns.

The minimum thickness of concrete cover to the main longitudinal reinforcement in columns, regardless of the type of aggregate used in the concrete and the specified compressive strength of concrete, f_c , shall be not less than 1 inch (25 mm) times the number of hours of required fire resistance or 2 inches (51 mm), whichever is less.

722.2.4.3 Tie and spiral reinforcement.

For concrete columns made with concrete having a specified compressive strength, f_c , greater than 12,000 psi (82.7 MPa), tie and spiral reinforcement shall comply with the following:

- The free ends of rectangular ties shall terminate with a 135-degree (2.4 rad) standard tie hook.
- The free ends of circular ties shall terminate with a 90-degree (1.6 rad) standard tie hook.

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3. The free ends of spirals, including at lap splices, shall terminate with a 90-degree (1.6 rad) standard tie hook.

The hook extension at the free end of ties and spirals shall be the larger of six bar diameters and the extension required by Section 25.3.2 of [ACI 318](#). Hooks shall project into the core of the column.

722.2.4.4 Columns built into walls.

The minimum dimensions of [Table 722.2.4](#) do not apply to a reinforced concrete column that is built into a concrete or masonry wall provided that all of the following are met:

1. The *fire-resistance rating* for the wall is equal to or greater than the required rating of the column.
2. The main longitudinal reinforcing in the column has cover not less than that required by [Section 722.2.4.2](#).
3. Openings in the wall are protected in accordance with [Section 716](#).

Where openings in the wall are not protected as required by [Section 716](#), the minimum dimension of columns required to have a *fire-resistance rating* of 3 hours or less shall be 8 inches (203 mm), and 10 inches (254 mm) for columns required to have a *fire-resistance rating* of 4 hours, regardless of the type of aggregate used in the concrete.

722.2.4.5 Precast cover units for steel columns.

See [Section 722.5.1.4](#).

722.3 Concrete masonry.

The provisions of this section contain procedures by which the *fire-resistance ratings* of concrete masonry are established by calculations.

722.3.1 Equivalent thickness.

The equivalent thickness of concrete masonry construction shall be determined in accordance with the provisions of this section.

722.3.1.1 Concrete masonry unit plus finishes.

The equivalent thickness of concrete masonry assemblies, T_{ea} , shall be computed as the sum of the equivalent thickness of the concrete masonry unit, T_e , as determined by [Section 722.3.1.2](#), [722.3.1.3](#) or [722.3.1.4](#), plus the equivalent thickness of finishes, T_{ef} , determined in accordance with [Section 722.3.2](#):

$$T_{ea} = T_e + T_{ef}$$

(Equation 7-6)

722.3.1.2 UngROUTED or partially grouted construction.

T_e shall be the value obtained for the concrete masonry unit determined in accordance with [ASTM C140](#).

722.3.1.3 Solid grouted construction.

The equivalent thickness, T_e , of solid grouted concrete masonry units is the actual thickness of the unit.

722.3.1.4 Airspaces and cells filled with loose-fill material.

The equivalent thickness of completely filled hollow concrete masonry is the actual thickness of the unit where loose-fill materials are: sand, pea gravel, crushed stone, or slag that meet [ASTM C33](#) requirements; pumice, scoria, expanded shale, expanded clay, expanded slate, expanded slag, expanded fly ash, or cinders that comply with [ASTM C331](#); or perlite or vermiculite meeting the requirements of [ASTM C549](#) and [ASTM C516](#), respectively.

722.3.2 Concrete masonry walls.

The *fire-resistance rating* of walls and partitions constructed of concrete masonry units shall be determined from [Table 722.3.2](#). The rating shall be based on the equivalent thickness of the masonry and type of aggregate used.

TABLE 722.3.2
MINIMUM EQUIVALENT THICKNESS (inches) OF BEARING OR NONBEARING CONCRETE MASONRY WALLS^{a, b, c, d}

TYPE OF AGGREGATE	FIRE-RESISTANCE RATING (hours)														
	1/2	3/4	1	1 1/4	1 1/2	1 3/4	2	2 1/4	2 1/2	2 3/4	3	3 1/4	3 1/2	3 3/4	4
Pumice or expanded slag	1.5	1.9	2.1	2.5	2.7	3.0	3.2	3.4	3.6	3.8	4.0	4.2	4.4	4.5	4.7
Expanded shale, clay or slate	1.8	2.2	2.6	2.9	3.3	3.4	3.6	3.8	4.0	4.2	4.4	4.6	4.8	4.9	5.1
Limestone, cinders or unexpanded slag	1.9	2.3	2.7	3.1	3.4	3.7	4.0	4.3	4.5	4.8	5.0	5.2	5.5	5.7	5.9
Calcareous or siliceous gravel	2.0	2.4	2.8	3.2	3.6	3.9	4.2	4.5	4.8	5.0	5.3	5.5	5.8	6.0	6.2

For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm.

- a. Values between those shown in the table can be determined by direct interpolation.
- b. Where combustible members are framed into the wall, the thickness of solid material between the end of each member and the opposite face of the wall, or between members set in from opposite sides, shall be not less than 93 percent of the thickness shown in the table.
- c. Requirements of [ASTM C55](#), [ASTM C73](#), [ASTM C90](#) or [ASTM C744](#) shall apply.
- d. Minimum required equivalent thickness corresponding to the hourly fire-resistance rating for units with a combination of aggregate shall be determined by linear interpolation based on the percent by volume of each aggregate used in manufacture.

722.3.2.1 Finish on nonfire-exposed side.

Where plaster or gypsum wallboard is applied to the side of the wall not exposed to fire, the contribution of the finish to the total *fire-resistance rating* shall be determined as follows: The thickness of gypsum wallboard or plaster shall be corrected by multiplying the actual

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thickness of the finish by applicable factor determined from Table 722.2.1.4(1). This corrected thickness of finish shall be added to the equivalent thickness of masonry and the fire-resistance rating of the masonry and finish determined from Table 722.3.2.

722.3.2.2 Finish on fire-exposed side.

Where plaster or gypsum wallboard is applied to the fire-exposed side of the wall, the contribution of the finish to the total fire-resistance rating shall be determined as follows: The time assigned to the finish as established by Table 722.2.1.4(2) shall be added to the fire-resistance rating determined in Section 722.3.2 for the masonry alone, or in Section 722.3.2.1 for the masonry and finish on the nonfire-exposed side.

722.3.2.3 Nonsymmetrical assemblies.

For a wall without finish on one side or having different types or thicknesses of finish on each side, the calculation procedures of this section shall be performed twice, assuming either side of the wall to be the fire-exposed side. The fire-resistance rating of the wall shall not exceed the lower of the two values calculated.

Exception: For exterior walls with a fire separation distance greater than 5 feet (1524 mm), the fire shall be assumed to occur on the interior side only.

722.3.2.4 Minimum concrete masonry fire-resistance rating.

Where the finish applied to a concrete masonry wall contributes to its fire-resistance rating, the masonry alone shall provide not less than one-half the total required fire-resistance rating.

722.3.2.5 Attachment of finishes.

Installation of finishes shall be as follows:

- 1. Gypsum wallboard and gypsum lath applied to concrete masonry or concrete walls shall be secured to wood or steel furring members spaced not more than 16 inches (406 mm) on center (o.c.).
- 2. Gypsum wallboard shall be installed with the long dimension parallel to the furring members and shall have all joints finished.
- 3. Other aspects of the installation of finishes shall comply with the applicable provisions of Chapters 7 and 25.

722.3.3 Multiwythe masonry walls.

The fire-resistance rating of wall assemblies constructed of multiple wythes of masonry materials shall be permitted to be based on the fire-resistance rating period of each wythe and the continuous airspace between each wythe in accordance with the following formula:

$$R_A = (R_1^{0.59} + R_2^{0.59} + \dots + R_n^{0.59} + A_1 + A_2 + \dots + A_n)^{1.7}$$
(Equation 7-7)

where:

R_A = Fire-resistance rating of the assembly (hours).

R_1, R_2, \dots, R_n = Fire-resistance rating of wythes for 1, 2, n (hours), respectively.

A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n = 0.30, factor for each continuous airspace for 1, 2, \dots, n , respectively, having a depth of $1\frac{1}{2}$ inch (12.7 mm) or more between wythes.

722.3.4 Concrete masonry lintels.

Fire-resistance ratings for concrete masonry lintels shall be determined based on the nominal thickness of the lintel and the minimum thickness of concrete masonry or concrete, or any combination thereof, covering the main reinforcing bars, as determined in accordance with Table 722.3.4, or by approved alternate methods.

TABLE 722.3.4
MINIMUM COVER OF LONGITUDINAL REINFORCEMENT IN FIRE-RESISTANCE-RATED REINFORCED CONCRETE MASONRY LINTELS (inches)

NOMINAL WIDTH OF LINTEL (inches)	FIRE-RESISTANCE RATING (hours)			
	1	2	3	4
6	1 ¹ / ₂	2	—	—
8	1 ¹ / ₂	1 ¹ / ₂	1 ³ / ₄	3
10 or greater	1 ¹ / ₂	1 ¹ / ₂	1 ¹ / ₂	1 ³ / ₄

For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm.

722.3.5 Concrete masonry columns.

The fire-resistance rating of concrete masonry columns shall be determined based on the least plan dimension of the column in accordance with Table 722.3.5 or by approved alternate methods.

TABLE 722.3.5
MINIMUM DIMENSION OF CONCRETE MASONRY COLUMNS (inches)

FIRE-RESISTANCE RATING (hours)			
1	2	3	4
8 inches	10 inches	12 inches	14 inches

For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm.

722.4 Clay brick and tile masonry.

The provisions of this section contain procedures by which the fire-resistance ratings of clay brick and tile masonry are established by calculations.

722.4.1 Masonry walls.

The *fire-resistance rating* of masonry walls shall be based on the equivalent thickness as calculated in accordance with this section. The calculation shall take into account finishes applied to the wall and airspaces between *wythes* in multiwythe construction.

TABLE 722.4.1(1)
FIRE-RESISTANCE PERIODS OF CLAY MASONRY WALLS

MATERIAL TYPE	MINIMUM REQUIRED EQUIVALENT THICKNESS FOR FIRE RESISTANCE ^{a, b, c} (inches)			
	1 hour	2 hours	3 hours	4 hours
Solid brick of clay or shale ^d	2.7	3.8	4.9	6.0
Hollow brick or tile of clay or shale, unfilled	2.3	3.4	4.3	5.0
Hollow brick or tile of clay or shale, grouted or filled with materials specified in Section 722.4.1.1.3	3.0	4.4	5.5	6.6

For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm.

- Equivalent thickness as determined from Section 722.4.1.1.
- Calculated fire resistance between the hourly increments specified shall be determined by linear interpolation.
- Where combustible members are framed in the wall, the thickness of solid material between the end of each member and the opposite face of the wall, or between members set in from opposite sides, shall be not less than 93 percent of the thickness shown.
- For units in which the net cross-sectional area of cored brick in any plane parallel to the surface containing the cores is not less than 75 percent of the gross cross-sectional area measured in the same plane.

TABLE 722.4.1(2)
FIRE-RESISTANCE RATINGS FOR BEARING STEEL FRAME BRICK VENEER WALLS OR PARTITIONS

WALL OR PARTITION ASSEMBLY	PLASTER SIDE EXPOSED (hours)	BRICK FACED SIDE EXPOSED (hours)
Outside facing of steel studs: $\frac{1}{2}$ " wood fiberboard sheathing next to studs, $\frac{3}{4}$ " airspace formed with $\frac{3}{4}$ " \times $1\frac{5}{8}$ " wood strips placed over the fiberboard and secured to the studs; metal or wire lath nailed to such strips, $3\frac{3}{4}$ " brick veneer held in place by filling $\frac{3}{4}$ " airspace between the brick and lath with mortar.	1.5	4
Inside facing of studs: $\frac{3}{4}$ " unsanded gypsum plaster on metal or wire lath attached to $\frac{5}{16}$ " wood strips secured to edges of the studs.		
Outside facing of steel studs: 1" insulation board sheathing attached to studs, 1" airspace, and $\frac{3}{4}$ " brick veneer attached to steel frame with metal ties every 5th course.	1.5	4
Inside facing of studs: $\frac{7}{8}$ " sanded gypsum plaster (1:2 mix) applied on metal or wire lath attached directly to the studs.		
Same as previous assembly except use $\frac{7}{8}$ " vermiculite-gypsum plaster or 1" sanded gypsum plaster (1:2 mix) applied to metal or wire.	2	4
Outside facing of steel studs: $\frac{1}{2}$ " gypsum sheathing board, attached to studs, and $\frac{3}{4}$ " brick veneer attached to steel frame with metal ties every 5th course.		
Inside facing of studs: $\frac{1}{2}$ " sanded gypsum plaster (1:2 mix) applied to $\frac{1}{2}$ " perforated gypsum lath securely attached to studs and having strips of metal lath 3 inches wide applied to all horizontal joints of gypsum lath.	2	4

For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm.

TABLE 722.4.1(3)
VALUES OF $R_n^{0.59}$

$R_n^{0.59}$	R (hours)
1	1.0
2	1.50
3	1.91
4	2.27

TABLE 722.4.1(4)
COEFFICIENTS FOR PLASTER, p_l^a

THICKNESS OF PLASTER (inch)	ONE SIDE	TWO SIDES
$\frac{1}{2}$	0.3	0.6
$\frac{5}{8}$	0.37	0.75
$\frac{3}{4}$	0.45	0.90

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For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm.

- a. Values specified in the table are for 1:3 sanded gypsum plaster.

TABLE 722.4.1(5)
REINFORCED MASONRY LINTELS

NOMINAL LINTEL WIDTH (inches)	MINIMUM LONGITUDINAL REINFORCE- MENT COVER FOR FIRE RESISTANCE (inches)			
	1 hour	2 hours	3 hours	4 hours
6	1 ¹ / ₂	2	NP	NP
8	1 ¹ / ₂	1 ¹ / ₂	1 ³ / ₄	3
10 or more	1 ¹ / ₂	1 ¹ / ₂	1 ¹ / ₂	1 ³ / ₄

For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm.

NP = Not Permitted.

TABLE 722.4.1(6)
REINFORCED CLAY MASONRY COLUMNS

COLUMN SIZE	FIRE-RESISTANCE RATING (hours)			
	1	2	3	4
Minimum column dimension (inches)	8	10	12	14

For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm.

722.4.1.1 Equivalent thickness.

The *fire-resistance ratings* of walls or partitions constructed of solid or hollow clay *masonry units* shall be determined from [Table 722.4.1\(1\)](#) or [Table 722.4.1\(2\)](#). The equivalent thickness of the clay *masonry unit* shall be determined by [Equation 7-8](#) where using [Table 722.4.1\(1\)](#). The *fire-resistance rating* determined from [Table 722.4.1\(1\)](#) shall be permitted to be used in the calculated *fire-resistance rating* procedure in [Section 722.4.2](#).

$$T_e = V_n / LH$$

where:

(Equation 7-8)

T_e = The equivalent thickness of the clay *masonry unit* (inches).

V_n = The net volume of the clay *masonry unit* (inch³).

L = The specified length of the clay *masonry unit* (inches).

H = The specified height of the clay *masonry unit* (inches).

722.4.1.1.1 Hollow clay units.

The equivalent thickness, T_e , shall be the value obtained for hollow clay units as determined in accordance with [Equation 7-8](#). The net volume, V_n , of the units shall be determined using the gross volume and percentage of void area determined in accordance with [ASTM C67](#).

722.4.1.1.2 Solid grouted clay units.

The equivalent thickness of solid grouted clay *masonry units* shall be taken as the actual thickness of the units.

722.4.1.1.3 Units with filled cores.

The equivalent thickness of the hollow clay *masonry units* is the actual thickness of the unit where completely filled with loose-fill materials of: sand, pea gravel, crushed stone, or slag that meet [ASTM C33](#) requirements; pumice, scoria, expanded shale, expanded clay, expanded slate, expanded slag, expanded fly ash, or cinders in compliance with [ASTM C331](#); or perlite or vermiculite meeting the requirements of [ASTM C549](#) and [ASTM C516](#), respectively.

722.4.1.2 Plaster finishes.

Where plaster is applied to the wall, the total *fire-resistance rating* shall be determined by the formula:

$$R = (R_n^{0.59} + p)^{1.7}$$

where:

(Equation 7-9)

R = The *fire-resistance rating* of the assembly (hours).

R_n = The *fire-resistance rating* of the individual wall (hours).

p = Coefficient for thickness of plaster.

Values for $R_n^{0.59}$ for use in [Equation 7-9](#) are given in [Table 722.4.1\(3\)](#). Coefficients for thickness of plaster shall be selected from [Table 722.4.1\(4\)](#) based on the actual thickness of plaster applied to the wall or partition and whether one or two sides of the wall are plastered.

722.4.1.3 Multiwythe walls with airspace.

Where a continuous airspace separates multiple *wythes* of the wall or partition, the total *fire-resistance rating* shall be determined by the formula:

$$R = (R_1^{0.59} + R_2^{0.59} + \dots + R_n^{0.59} + as)^{1.7}$$

where:

(Equation 7-10)

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R = The fire-resistance rating of the assembly (hours).
*R*₁, *R*₂ and *R_n* = The fire-resistance rating of the individual wythes (hours).
a_s = Coefficient for continuous airspace.

Values for *R_n*^{0.59} for use in Equation 7-10 are given in Table 722.4.1(3). The coefficient for each continuous airspace of 1/2 inch to 3 1/2 inches (12.7 to 89 mm) separating two individual wythes shall be 0.3.

722.4.1.4 Nonsymmetrical assemblies.

For a wall without finish on one side or having different types or thicknesses of finish on each side, the calculation procedures of this section shall be performed twice, assuming either side to be the fire-exposed side of the wall. The *fire resistance* of the wall shall not exceed the lower of the two values determined.

Exception: For exterior walls with a *fire separation distance* greater than 5 feet (1524 mm), the fire shall be assumed to occur on the interior side only.

722.4.2 Multiwythe walls.

The *fire-resistance rating* for walls or partitions consisting of two or more dissimilar wythes shall be permitted to be determined by the formula:

$$R = (R_1^{0.59} + R_2^{0.59} + \dots + R_n^{0.59})^{1.7}$$

where: (Equation 7-11)

R = The *fire-resistance rating* of the assembly (hours).
*R*₁, *R*₂ and *R_n* = The *fire-resistance rating* of the individual wythes (hours).
Values for *R_n*^{0.59} for use in Equation 7-11 are given in Table 722.4.1(3).

722.4.2.1 Multiwythe walls of different material.

For walls that consist of two or more wythes of different materials (concrete or concrete *masonry units*) in combination with clay *masonry units*, the *fire-resistance rating* of the different materials shall be permitted to be determined from Table 722.2.1.1 for concrete; Table 722.3.2 for concrete *masonry units* or Table 722.4.1(1) or Table 722.4.1(2) for clay and tile masonry units.

722.4.3 Reinforced clay masonry lintels.

Fire-resistance ratings for clay masonry lintels shall be determined based on the nominal width of the lintel and the minimum covering for the longitudinal reinforcement in accordance with Table 722.4.1(5).

722.4.4 Reinforced clay masonry columns.

The *fire-resistance ratings* shall be determined based on the last plan dimension of the column in accordance with Table 722.4.1(6). The minimum cover for longitudinal reinforcement shall be 2 inches (51 mm).

722.5 Steel assemblies.

The provisions of this section contain procedures by which the *fire-resistance ratings* of steel assemblies are established by calculations.

722.5.1 Structural steel columns.

The *fire-resistance ratings* of structural steel columns shall be based on the size of the element and the type of protection provided in accordance with this section.

TABLE 722.5.1(1)
W/D RATIOS FOR STEEL COLUMNS

STRUCTURAL SHAPE	CONTOUR PROFILE	BOX PROFILE
W14 × 233	2.55	3.65
× 211	2.32	3.35
× 193	2.14	3.09
× 176	1.96	2.85
× 159	1.78	2.60
× 145	1.64	2.39
× 132	1.56	2.25
× 120	1.42	2.06
× 109	1.29	1.88
× 99	1.18	1.72
× 90	1.08	1.58
× 82	1.23	1.68
× 74	1.12	1.53
× 68	1.04	1.41
× 61	0.928	1.28
× 53	0.915	1.21
× 48	0.835	1.10
× 43	0.752	0.99
W12 × 190	2.50	3.51
× 170	2.26	3.20
× 152	2.04	2.90
× 136	1.86	2.63
× 120	1.65	2.36

× 106	1.47	2.11
× 96	1.34	1.93
× 87	1.22	1.76
× 79	1.11	1.61
× 72	1.02	1.48
× 65	0.925	1.35
× 58	0.925	1.31
× 53	0.855	1.20
× 50	0.909	1.23
× 45	0.829	1.12
× 40	0.734	1.00
W10 × 112	1.81	2.57
× 100	1.64	2.33
× 88	1.45	2.08
× 77	1.28	1.85
× 68	1.15	1.66
× 60	1.01	1.48
× 54	0.922	1.34
× 49	0.84	1.23
× 45	0.888	1.24
× 39	0.78	1.09
× 33	0.661	0.93
W8 × 67	1.37	1.94
× 58	1.20	1.71
× 48	1.00	1.44
× 40	0.849	1.23
× 35	0.749	1.08
× 31	0.665	0.97
× 28	0.688	0.96
× 24	0.591	0.83
× 21	0.577	0.77
× 18	0.499	0.67
W6 × 25	0.696	1.00
× 20	0.563	0.82
× 16	0.584	0.78
× 15	0.431	0.63
× 12	0.448	0.60
× 9	0.338	0.46
W5 × 19	0.644	0.93
× 16	0.55	0.80
W4 × 13	0.556	0.79

For SI: 1 pound per linear foot per inch = 0.059 kg/m/mm.

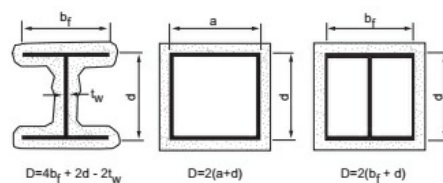


FIGURE 722.5.1(1)
DETERMINATION OF THE HEATED PERIMETER OF STRUCTURAL STEEL COLUMNS

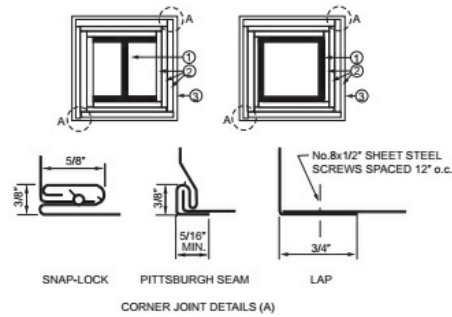
TABLE 722.5.1(2)
PROPERTIES OF CONCRETE

PROPERTY	NORMAL-WEIGHT CONCRETE	STRUCTURAL LIGHTWEIGHT CONCRETE
Thermal conductivity (k_c)	0.95 Btu/hr × ft × °F	0.35 Btu/hr × ft × °F
Specific heat (c_c)	0.20 Btu/lb °F	0.20 Btu/lb °F
Density (P_c)	145 lb/ft ³	110 lb/ft ³
Equilibrium (free) moisture content (m) by volume	4%	5%

For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm, 1 foot = 304.8 mm, 1 lb/ft³ = 16.0185 kg/m³, Btu/hr × ft × °F = 1.731 W/(m × K).

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For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm, 1 foot = 305 mm.

1. Structural steel column, either wide flange or tubular shapes.
2. Type X gypsum board or gypsum panel products in accordance with [ASTM C1177](#), [C1178](#), [C1278](#), [C1396](#) or [C1658](#). The total thickness of gypsum board or gypsum panel products calculated as h in [Section 722.5.1.2](#) shall be applied vertically to an individual column using one of the following methods:
 1. As a single layer without horizontal joints.
 2. As multiple layers with horizontal joints not permitted in any layer.
 3. As multiple layers with horizontal joints staggered not less than 12 inches vertically between layers and not less than 8 feet vertically in any single layer. The total required thickness of gypsum board or gypsum panel products shall be determined on the basis of the specified fire-resistance rating and the weight-to-heated-perimeter ratio (W/D) of the column. For fire-resistance ratings of 2 hours or less, one of the required layers of gypsum board or gypsum panel product may be applied to the exterior of the sheet steel column covers with 1-inch long Type S screws spaced 1 inch from the wallboard edge and 8 inches on center. For such installations, 0.0149-inch minimum thickness galvanized steel corner beads with $1\frac{1}{2}$ -inch legs shall be attached to the wallboard with Type S screws spaced 12 inches on center.
3. For fire-resistance ratings of 3 hours or less, the column covers shall be fabricated from 0.0239-inch minimum thickness galvanized or stainless steel. For 4-hour fire-resistance ratings, the column covers shall be fabricated from 0.0239-inch minimum thickness stainless steel. The column covers shall be erected with the Snap Lock or Pittsburgh joint details. For fire-resistance ratings of 2 hours or less, column covers fabricated from 0.0269-inch minimum thickness galvanized or stainless steel shall be permitted to be erected with lap joints. The lap joints shall be permitted to be located anywhere around the perimeter of the column cover. The lap joints shall be secured with $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch-long No. 8 sheet metal screws spaced 12 inches on center. The column covers shall be provided with a minimum expansion clearance of $\frac{1}{8}$ inch per linear foot between the ends of the cover and any restraining construction.

FIGURE 722.5.1(2)

GYPSUM-PROTECTED STRUCTURAL STEEL COLUMNS WITH SHEET STEEL COLUMN COVERS

TABLE 722.5.1(3)

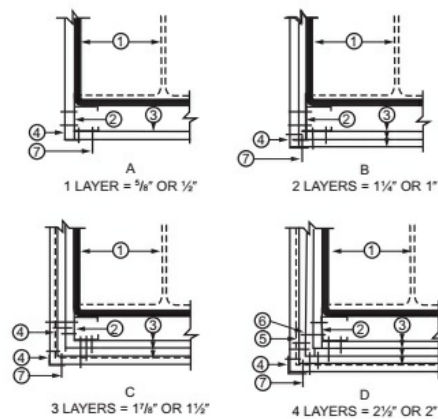
THERMAL CONDUCTIVITY OF CONCRETE OR CLAY MASONRY UNITS

DENSITY (d_m) OF UNITS (lb/ft ³)	THERMAL CONDUCTIVITY (K) OF UNITS (Btu/hr · ft · °F)
Concrete Masonry Units	
80	0.207
85	0.228
90	0.252
95	0.278
100	0.308
105	0.340
110	0.376
115	0.416
120	0.459
125	0.508
130	0.561
135	0.620
140	0.685
145	0.758
150	0.837
Clay Masonry Units	
120	1.25
130	2.25

For SI: 1 pound per cubic foot = 16.0185 kg/m³, Btu/hr × ft × °F = 1.731 W/(m × K)

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For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm, 1 foot = 305 mm.

1. Structural steel column, either wide flange or tubular shapes.
2. 1⁵/₈-inch deep studs fabricated from 0.0179-inch minimum thickness galvanized steel with 5/16 or 1⁷/₁₆-inch legs. The length of the steel studs shall be 1/2 inch less than the height of the assembly.
3. Type X gypsum board or gypsum panel products in accordance with [ASTM C1177](#), [C1178](#), [C1278](#), [C1396](#) or [C1658](#). The total thickness of gypsum board or gypsum panel products calculated as h in [Section 722.5.1.2](#) shall be applied vertically to an individual column using one of the following methods:
 1. As a single layer without horizontal joints.
 2. As multiple layers with horizontal joints not permitted in any layer.
 3. As multiple layers with horizontal joints staggered not less than 12 inches vertically between layers and not less than 8 feet vertically in any single layer. The total required thickness of gypsum board or gypsum panel products shall be determined on the basis of the specified fire-resistance rating and the weight-to-heated-perimeter ratio (W/D) of the column.
4. Galvanized 0.0149-inch minimum thickness steel corner beads with 1¹/₂-inch legs attached to the gypsum board or gypsum panel products with 1-inch-long Type S screws spaced 12 inches on center.
5. No. 18 SWG steel tie wires spaced 24 inches on center.
6. Sheet metal angles with 2-inch legs fabricated from 0.0221-inch minimum thickness galvanized steel.
7. Type S screws, 1 inch long, shall be used for attaching the first layer of gypsum board or gypsum panel product to the steel studs and the third layer to the sheet metal angles at 24 inches on center. Type S screws 1³/₄ inches long shall be used for attaching the second layer of gypsum board or gypsum panel product to the steel studs and the fourth layer to the sheet metal angles at 12 inches on center. Type S screws 2¹/₄ inches long shall be used for attaching the third layer of gypsum board or gypsum panel product to the steel studs at 12 inches on center.

FIGURE 722.5.1(3)
GYPSUM-PROTECTED STRUCTURAL STEEL COLUMNS WITH STEEL STUD/SCREW ATTACHMENT SYSTEM

TABLE 722.5.1(4)
WEIGHT-TO-HEATED-PERIMETER RATIOS (W/D) FOR TYPICAL WIDE FLANGE BEAM AND GIRDER SHAPES

STRUCTURAL SHAPE	CONTOUR PROFILE	BOX PROFILE
W36 × 300	2.50	3.33
× 280	2.35	3.12
× 260	2.18	2.92
× 245	2.08	2.76
× 230	1.95	2.61
× 210	1.96	2.45
× 194	1.81	2.28
× 182	1.72	2.15
× 170	1.60	2.01
× 160	1.51	1.90
× 150	1.43	1.79
× 135	1.29	1.63
W33 × 241	2.13	2.86
× 221	1.97	2.64
× 201	1.79	2.42
× 152	1.53	1.94
× 141	1.43	1.80
× 130	1.32	1.67
× 118	1.21	1.53
W30 × 211	2.01	2.74
× 191	1.85	2.50
× 173	1.66	2.28

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× 132	1.47	1.85
× 124	1.39	1.75
× 116	1.30	1.65
× 108	1.21	1.54
× 99	1.12	1.42
W27 × 178	1.87	2.55
× 161	1.70	2.33
× 146	1.55	2.12
× 114	1.39	1.76
× 102	1.24	1.59
× 94	1.15	1.47
× 84	1.03	1.33
W24 × 162	1.88	2.57
× 146	1.70	2.34
× 131	1.54	2.12
× 117	1.38	1.91
× 104	1.24	1.71
× 94	1.28	1.63
× 84	1.15	1.47
× 76	1.05	1.34
W24 × 68	0.942	1.21
× 62	0.934	1.14
× 55	0.828	1.02
W21 × 147	1.87	2.60
× 132	1.68	2.35
× 122	1.57	2.19
× 111	1.43	2.01
× 101	1.30	1.84
× 93	1.40	1.80
× 83	1.26	1.62
× 73	1.11	1.44
× 68	1.04	1.35
W21 × 62	0.952	1.23
× 57	0.952	1.17
× 50	0.838	1.04
× 44	0.746	0.92
W18 × 119	1.72	2.42
× 106	1.55	2.18
× 97	1.42	2.01
× 86	1.27	1.80
× 76	1.13	1.60
× 71	1.22	1.59
× 65	1.13	1.47
× 60	1.04	1.36
× 55	0.963	1.26
× 50	0.88	1.15
× 46	0.878	1.09
× 40	0.768	0.96
× 35	0.672	0.85
W16 × 100	1.59	2.25
× 89	1.43	2.03
× 77	1.25	1.78
× 67	1.09	1.56
× 57	1.09	1.43
× 50	0.962	1.26
× 45	0.870	1.15
× 40	0.780	1.03
× 36	0.702	0.93
× 31	0.661	0.83
× 26	0.558	0.70
W14 × 132	1.89	3.00
× 120	1.71	2.75
× 109	1.57	2.52

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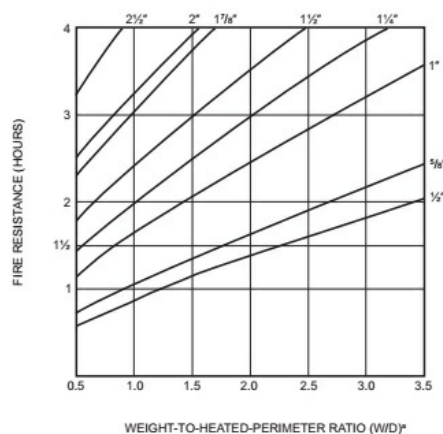
W14 × 99	1.43	2.31
× 90	1.31	2.11
× 82	1.45	2.12
× 74	1.32	1.93
× 68	1.22	1.78
× 61	1.10	1.61
× 53	1.06	1.48
× 48	0.970	1.35
W14 × 43	0.874	1.22
× 38	0.809	1.09
× 34	0.725	0.98
× 30	0.644	0.87
× 26	0.628	0.79
× 22	0.534	0.68
W12 × 87	1.47	2.34
× 79	1.34	2.14
× 72	1.23	1.97
× 65	1.11	1.79
× 58	1.10	1.69
× 53	1.02	1.55
× 50	1.06	1.54
× 45	0.974	1.40
× 40	0.860	1.25
× 35	0.810	1.11
× 30	0.699	0.96
× 26	0.612	0.84
× 22	0.623	0.77
× 19	0.540	0.67
× 16	0.457	0.57
× 14	0.405	0.50
W10 × 112	2.17	3.38
× 100	1.97	3.07
× 88	1.74	2.75
× 77	1.54	2.45
× 68	1.38	2.20
× 60	1.22	1.97
× 54	1.11	1.79
× 49	1.01	1.64
× 45	1.06	1.59
× 39	0.94	1.40
× 33	0.77	1.20
W10 × 30	0.806	1.12
× 26	0.708	0.98
× 22	0.606	0.84
× 19	0.607	0.78
× 17	0.543	0.70
× 15	0.484	0.63
× 12	0.392	0.51
W8 × 67	1.65	2.55
× 58	1.44	2.26
× 48	1.21	1.91
× 40	1.03	1.63
× 35	0.907	1.44
× 31	0.803	1.29
× 28	0.819	1.24
× 24	0.704	1.07
× 21	0.675	0.96
× 18	0.583	0.84
× 15	0.551	0.74
× 13	0.483	0.65
× 10	0.375	0.51
W6 × 25	0.839	1.33
× 20	0.678	1.09

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× 16	0.684	0.96
× 15	0.521	0.83
× 12	0.526	0.75
× 9	0.398	0.57
W5 × 19	0.776	1.24
× 16	0.664	1.07
W4 × 13	0.670	1.05

For SI: 1 pound per linear foot per inch = 0.059 kg/m/mm.



For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm, 1 pound per linear foot/inch = 0.059 kg/m/mm.

- a. The W/D ratios for typical wide flange columns are listed in Table 722.5.1(1). For other column shapes, the W/D ratios shall be determined in accordance with Section 722.5.1.1.

FIGURE 722.5.1(4)

FIRE RESISTANCE OF STRUCTURAL STEEL COLUMNS PROTECTED WITH VARIOUS THICKNESSES OF TYPE X GYPSUM WALLBOARD

TABLE 722.5.1(5)

FIRE RESISTANCE OF CONCRETE MASONRY PROTECTED STEEL COLUMNS

COLUMN SIZE	CONCRETE MASONRY DENSITY POUNDS PER CUBIC FOOT	MINIMUM REQUIRED EQUIVALENT THICKNESS FOR FIRE-RESISTANCE RATING OF CONCRETE MASONRY PROTECTION ASSEMBLY, T_e (inches)			
		1 hour	2 hours	3 hours	4 hours
W14 × 82	80	0.74	1.61	2.36	3.04
	100	0.89	1.85	2.67	3.40
	110	0.96	1.97	2.81	3.57
	120	1.03	2.08	2.95	3.73
W14 × 68	80	0.83	1.70	2.45	3.13
	100	0.99	1.95	2.76	3.49
	110	1.06	2.06	2.91	3.66
	120	1.14	2.18	3.05	3.82
W14 × 53	80	0.91	1.81	2.58	3.27
	100	1.07	2.05	2.88	3.62
	110	1.15	2.17	3.02	3.78
	120	1.22	2.28	3.16	3.94
W14 × 43	80	1.01	1.93	2.71	3.41
	100	1.17	2.17	3.00	3.74
	110	1.25	2.28	3.14	3.90
	120	1.32	2.38	3.27	4.05
W12 × 72	80	0.81	1.66	2.41	3.09
	100	0.91	1.88	2.70	3.43
	110	0.99	1.99	2.84	3.60
	120	1.06	2.10	2.98	3.76
W12 × 58	80	0.88	1.76	2.52	3.21
	100	1.04	2.01	2.83	3.56
	110	1.11	2.12	2.97	3.73
	120	1.19	2.23	3.11	3.89
W12 × 50	80	0.91	1.81	2.58	3.27
	100	1.07	2.05	2.88	3.62

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	110	1.15	2.17	3.02	3.78
	120	1.22	2.28	3.16	3.94
W12 × 40	80	1.01	1.94	2.72	3.41
	100	1.17	2.17	3.01	3.75
	110	1.25	2.28	3.14	3.90
	120	1.32	2.39	3.27	4.06
W10 × 68	80	0.72	1.58	2.33	3.01
	100	0.87	1.83	2.65	3.38
	110	0.94	1.95	2.79	3.55
	120	1.01	2.06	2.94	3.72
W10 × 54	80	0.88	1.76	2.53	3.21
	100	1.04	2.01	2.83	3.57
	110	1.11	2.12	2.98	3.73
	120	1.19	2.24	3.12	3.90
W10 × 45	80	0.92	1.83	2.60	3.30
	100	1.08	2.07	2.90	3.64
	110	1.16	2.18	3.04	3.80
	120	1.23	2.29	3.18	3.96
W10 × 33	80	1.06	2.00	2.79	3.49
	100	1.22	2.23	3.07	3.80
	110	1.30	2.34	3.20	3.96
	120	1.37	2.44	3.33	4.12
W8 × 40	80	0.94	1.85	2.63	3.33
	100	1.10	2.10	2.93	3.67
	110	1.18	2.21	3.07	3.83
	120	1.25	2.32	3.20	3.99
W8 × 31	80	1.06	2.00	2.78	3.49
	100	1.22	2.23	3.07	3.81
	110	1.29	2.33	3.20	3.97
	120	1.36	2.44	3.33	4.12
W8 × 24	80	1.14	2.09	2.89	3.59
	100	1.29	2.31	3.16	3.90
	110	1.36	2.42	3.28	4.05
	120	1.43	2.52	3.41	4.20
W8 × 18	80	1.22	2.20	3.01	3.72
	100	1.36	2.40	3.25	4.01
	110	1.42	2.50	3.37	4.14
	120	1.48	2.59	3.49	4.28
8 × 8 × 1/2 wall thickness	80	0.77	1.66	2.44	3.13
	100	0.92	1.91	2.75	3.49
	110	1.00	2.02	2.89	3.66
	120	1.07	2.14	3.03	3.82
8 × 8 × 3/8 wall thickness	80	0.91	1.84	2.63	3.33
	100	1.07	2.08	2.92	3.67
	110	1.14	2.19	3.06	3.83
	120	1.21	2.29	3.19	3.98
8 × 8 × 1/4 wall thickness	80	1.10	2.06	2.86	3.57
	100	1.25	2.28	3.13	3.87
	110	1.32	2.38	3.25	4.02
	120	1.39	2.48	3.38	4.17
6 × 6 × 1/2 wall thickness	80	0.82	1.75	2.54	3.25
	100	0.98	1.99	2.84	3.59
	110	1.05	2.10	2.98	3.75
	120	1.12	2.21	3.11	3.91
6 × 6 × 3/8 wall thickness	80	0.96	1.91	2.71	3.42
	100	1.12	2.14	3.00	3.75
	110	1.19	2.25	3.13	3.90
	120	1.26	2.35	3.26	4.05
6 × 6 × 1/4 wall thickness	80	1.14	2.11	2.92	3.63
	100	1.29	2.32	3.18	3.93
	110	1.36	2.43	3.30	4.08
	120	1.42	2.52	3.43	4.22
	80	0.93	1.90	2.71	3.43

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4 × 4 × 1/2 wall thickness	100	1.08	2.13	2.99	3.76
	110	1.16	2.24	3.13	3.91
	120	1.22	2.34	3.26	4.06
4 × 4 × 3/8 wall thickness	80	1.05	2.03	2.84	3.57
	100	1.20	2.25	3.11	3.88
	110	1.27	2.35	3.24	4.02
4 × 4 × 1/4 wall thickness	120	1.34	2.45	3.37	4.17
	80	1.21	2.20	3.01	3.73
	100	1.35	2.40	3.26	4.02
6 double extra strong 0.864 wall thickness	110	1.41	2.50	3.38	4.16
	120	1.48	2.59	3.50	4.30
	80	0.59	1.46	2.23	2.92
6 extra strong 0.432 wall thickness	100	0.73	1.71	2.54	3.29
	110	0.80	1.82	2.69	3.47
	120	0.86	1.93	2.83	3.63
6 standard 0.280 wall thickness	80	0.94	1.90	2.70	3.42
	100	1.10	2.13	2.98	3.74
	110	1.17	2.22	3.11	3.89
5 double extra strong 0.750 wall thickness	120	1.24	2.34	3.24	4.04
	80	1.14	2.12	2.93	3.64
	100	1.29	2.33	3.19	3.94
5 extra strong 0.375 wall thickness	110	1.36	2.43	3.31	4.08
	120	1.42	2.53	3.43	4.22
	80	0.70	1.61	2.40	3.12
5 standard 0.258 wall thickness	100	0.85	1.86	2.71	3.47
	110	0.91	1.97	2.85	3.63
	120	0.98	2.02	2.99	3.79
4 double extra strong 0.674 wall thickness	80	1.04	2.01	2.83	3.54
	100	1.19	2.23	3.09	3.85
	110	1.26	2.34	3.22	4.00
4 extra strong 0.337 wall thickness	120	1.32	2.44	3.34	4.14
	80	1.20	2.19	3.00	3.72
	100	1.34	2.39	3.25	4.00
4 standard 0.237 wall thickness	110	1.41	2.49	3.37	4.14
	120	1.47	2.58	3.49	4.28
	80	0.80	1.75	2.56	3.28
4 double extra strong 0.674 wall thickness	100	0.95	1.99	2.85	3.62
	110	1.02	2.10	2.99	3.78
	120	1.09	2.20	3.12	3.93
4 extra strong 0.337 wall thickness	80	1.12	2.11	2.93	3.65
	100	1.26	2.32	3.19	3.95
	110	1.33	2.42	3.31	4.09
4 standard 0.237 wall thickness	120	1.40	2.52	3.43	4.23
	80	1.26	2.25	3.07	3.79
	100	1.40	2.45	3.31	4.07
	110	1.46	2.55	3.43	4.21
	120	1.53	2.64	3.54	4.34

For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm, 1 pound per cubic feet = 16.02 kg/m³.

Note: Tabulated values assume 1-inch air gap between masonry and steel section.

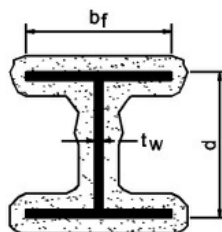


FIGURE 722.5.1(5)
WIDE FLANGE STRUCTURAL STEEL COLUMNS WITH SPRAYED FIRE-RESISTANT MATERIALS
TABLE 722.5.1(6)

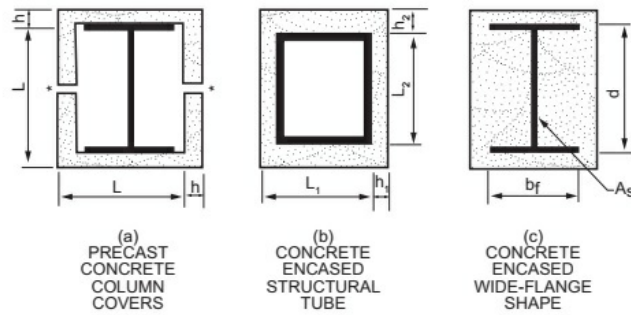
FIRE RESISTANCE OF CLAY MASONRY PROTECTED STEEL COLUMNS

COLUMN N SIZE	CLAY MASONRY DENSITY, POUNDS PER CUBIC FOOT	MINIMUM REQUIRED EQUIVALENT THICKNESS FOR FIRE-RESISTANCE RATING OF CLAY MASONRY PROTECTION ASSEMBLY, T_e (inches)				COLUMN SIZE	CLAY MASONRY DENSITY, POUNDS PER CUBIC FOOT	MINIMUM REQUIRED EQUIVALENT THICKNESS FOR FIRE-RESISTANCE RATING OF CLAY MASONRY PROTECTION ASSEMBLY, T_e (inches)			
		1 hour	2 hours	3 hours	4 hours			1 hour	2 hours	3 hours	4 hours
W14 × 82	120	1.23	2.42	3.41	4.29	W10 × 68	120	1.27	2.46	3.26	4.35
	130	1.40	2.70	3.78	4.74		130	1.44	2.75	3.83	4.80
W14 × 68	120	1.34	2.54	3.54	4.43	W10 × 54	120	1.40	2.61	3.62	4.51
	130	1.51	2.82	3.91	4.87		130	1.58	2.89	3.98	4.95
W14 × 53	120	1.43	2.65	3.65	4.54	W10 × 45	120	1.44	2.66	3.67	4.57
	130	1.61	2.93	4.02	4.98		130	1.62	2.95	4.04	5.01
W14 × 43	120	1.54	2.76	3.77	4.66	W10 × 33	120	1.59	2.82	3.84	4.73
	130	1.72	3.04	4.13	5.09		130	1.77	3.10	4.20	5.13
W12 × 72	120	1.32	2.52	3.51	4.40	W8 × 40	120	1.47	2.70	3.71	4.61
	130	1.50	2.80	3.88	4.84		130	1.65	2.98	4.08	5.04
W12 × 58	120	1.40	2.61	3.61	4.50	W8 × 31	120	1.59	2.82	3.84	4.73
	130	1.57	2.89	3.98	4.94		130	1.77	3.10	4.20	5.17
W12 × 50	120	1.43	2.65	3.66	4.55	W8 × 24	120	1.66	2.90	3.92	4.82
	130	1.61	2.93	4.02	4.99		130	1.84	3.18	4.28	5.25
W12 × 40	120	1.54	2.77	3.78	4.67	W8 × 18	120	1.75	3.00	4.01	4.91
	130	1.72	3.05	4.14	5.10		130	1.93	3.27	4.37	5.34
STEEL TUBING						STEEL PIPE					
NOMIN AL TUBE SIZE (inches)	CLAY MASONRY DENSITY, POUNDS PER CUBIC FOOT	MINIMUM REQUIRED EQUIVALENT THICKNESS FOR FIRE-RESISTANCE RATING OF CLAY MASONRY PROTECTION ASSEMBLY, T_e (inches)				NOMINAL PIPE SIZE (inches)	CLAY MASONRY DENSITY, POUNDS PER CUBIC FOOT	MINIMUM REQUIRED EQUIVALENT THICKNESS FOR FIRE-RESISTANCE RATING OF CLAY MASONRY PROTECTION ASSEMBLY, T_e (inches)			
		1 hour	2 hours	3 hours	4 hours			1 hour	2 hours	3 hours	4 hours
4 × 4 × 1/2 wall thickness	120	1.44	2.72	3.76	4.68	4 double extra strong 0.674 wall thickness	120	1.26	2.55	3.60	4.52
	130	1.62	3.00	4.12	5.11		130	1.42	2.82	3.96	4.95
4 × 4 × 3/8 wall thickness	120	1.56	2.84	3.88	4.78	4 extra strong 0.337 wall thickness	120	1.60	2.89	3.92	4.83
	130	1.74	3.12	4.23	5.21		130	1.77	3.16	4.28	5.25
4 × 4 × 1/4 wall thickness	120	1.72	2.99	4.02	4.92	4 standard 0.237 wall thickness	120	1.74	3.02	4.05	4.95
	130	1.89	3.26	4.37	5.34		130	1.92	3.29	4.40	5.37
6 × 6 × 1/2 wall thickness	120	1.33	2.58	3.62	4.52	5 double extra strong 0.750 wall thickness	120	1.17	2.44	3.48	4.40
	130	1.50	2.86	3.98	4.96		130	1.33	2.72	3.84	4.83
6 × 6 × 3/8 wall thickness	120	1.48	2.74	3.76	4.67	5 extra strong 0.375 wall thickness	120	1.55	2.82	3.85	4.76
	130	1.65	3.01	4.13	5.10		130	1.72	3.09	4.21	5.18
6 × 6 × 1/4 wall thickness	120	1.66	2.91	3.94	4.84	5 standard 0.258 wall thickness	120	1.71	2.97	4.00	4.90
	130	1.83	3.19	4.30	5.27		130	1.88	3.24	4.35	5.32
8 × 8 × 1/2 wall thickness	120	1.27	2.50	3.52	4.42	6 double extra strong 0.864 wall thickness	120	1.04	2.28	3.32	4.23
	130	1.44	2.78	3.89	4.86		130	1.19	2.60	3.68	4.67
8 × 8 × 3/8 wall thickness	120	1.43	2.67	3.69	4.59	6 extra strong 0.432 wall thickness	120	1.45	2.71	3.75	4.65
	130	1.60	2.95	4.05	5.02		130	1.62	2.99	4.10	5.08
8 × 8 × 1/4 wall thickness	120	1.62	2.87	3.89	4.78	6 standard 0.280 wall thickness	120	1.65	2.91	3.94	4.84
	130	1.79	3.14	4.24	5.21		130	1.82	3.19	4.30	5.27

For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm, 1 pound per cubic foot = 16.02 kg/m³.

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- a. Where the inside perimeter of the concrete protection is not square, L shall be taken as the average of L_1 and L_2 . Where the thickness of concrete cover is not constant, h shall be taken of the average of h_1 and h_2 .
- b. Joints shall be protected with not less than a 1-inch thickness of ceramic fiber blanket but in no case less than one-half the thickness of the column cover (see Section 722.2.1.3).

FIGURE 722.5.1(6)
CONCRETE PROTECTED STRUCTURAL STEEL COLUMNS^{a, b}

TABLE 722.5.1(7)
MINIMUM COVER (inch) FOR STEEL COLUMNS ENCASED IN NORMAL-WEIGHT CONCRETE^a [FIGURE 722.5.1(6)(c)]

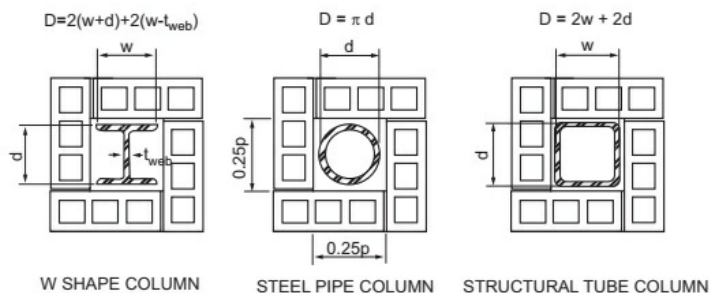
STRUCTURAL SHAPE	FIRE-RESISTANCE RATING (hours)					
	1	1½	2	3	4	
W14 × 233	1	1	1	1½	2	
× 176			1½	2	2½	
× 132				2½		
× 90		1½	1½	2	3	
× 61				2½		
× 48					2½	
× 43						
W12 × 152	1	1	1	2	2½	
× 96		1½	1½	2	3	
× 65						
× 50				2½		
× 40						
W10 × 88	1	1½	1½	2	3	
× 49	1			2½		3½
× 45						
× 39			2			
× 33						
W8 × 67	1	1	1½	2½	3	
× 58		1½	2	3	3½	
× 48						
× 31						
× 21		2	2½	3½	4	
× 18						
W6 × 25	1	1½	2	3	3½	
× 20		2	2½	3½	4	
× 16						
× 15						
× 9	1½					

For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm.

- a. The tabulated thicknesses are based on the assumed properties of normal-weight concrete given in Table 722.5.1(2).

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For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm.

d = Depth of a wide flange column, outside diameter of pipe column, or outside dimension of structural tubing column (inches).

t_{web} = Thickness of web of wide flange column (inches).

w = Width of flange of wide-flange column (inches).

FIGURE 722.5.1(7)
CONCRETE OR CLAY MASONRY PROTECTED STRUCTURAL STEEL COLUMNS

TABLE 722.5.1(8)

MINIMUM COVER (inch) FOR STEEL COLUMNS ENCASED IN STRUCTURAL LIGHTWEIGHT CONCRETE^a [FIGURE 722.5.1(6)(c)]

STRUCTURAL SHAPE	FIRE-RESISTANCE RATING (HOURS)				
	1	1½	2	3	4
W14 × 233	1	1	1	1	1½
× 193				1½	2
× 74					2½
× 61				2	
× 43	1	1	1½	2	2½
W12 × 65			1	1½	2
× 53			1½	2	2½
× 40				2	2½
W10 × 112	1	1	1	1½	2
× 88				2	2½
× 60					
× 33				2	2½
W8 × 35	1	1	1½	2	2½
× 28				2½	3
× 24					
× 18		1½		2½	

For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm.

- a. The tabulated thicknesses are based on the assumed properties of structural lightweight concrete given in [Table 722.5.1\(2\)](#).

TABLE 722.5.1(9)

MINIMUM COVER (inch) FOR STEEL COLUMNS IN NORMAL-WEIGHT PRECAST COVERS^a [FIGURE 722.5.1 (6)(a)]

STRUCTURAL SHAPE	FIRE-RESISTANCE RATING (hours)				
	1	1½	2	3	4
W14 × 233	1½	1½	1½	2½	3
× 211			2		3½
× 176		3		4	
× 145			2½		4½
× 109		2		3	
× 99			3½		4
× 61		2		3	
× 43			2½		4
W12 × 190	1½	1½		1½	
× 152			2	3	4
× 120		2½			
× 96			2	3	4
× 87		2½			
× 58			2	3	4
× 40		2½			
W10 × 112				1½	2

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× 88	1 ^{1/2}			3	4
× 77				3 ^{1/2}	
× 54		2	2 ^{1/2}		
× 33					
W8 × 67	1 ^{1/2}	1 ^{1/2}	2	3	4
× 58		2	2 ^{1/2}	3 ^{1/2}	
× 48					
× 28					
× 21		2 ^{1/2}	3		
× 18				4	
W6 × 25	1 ^{1/2}	2	2 ^{1/2}	3 ^{1/2}	4 ^{1/2}
× 20		2 ^{1/2}	3	4	
× 16					
× 12	2				5
× 9					

For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm.

- a. The tabulated thicknesses are based on the assumed properties of normal-weight concrete given in [Table 722.5.1\(2\)](#).

TABLE 722.5.1(10)
MINIMUM COVER (inch) FOR STEEL COLUMNS IN STRUCTURAL LIGHTWEIGHT PRECAST COVERS^a [FIGURE 722.5.1 (6)(a)]

STRUCTURAL SHAPE	FIRE-RESISTANCE RATING (hours)				
	1	1 ^{1/2}	2	3	4
W14 × 233	1 ^{1/2}	1 ^{1/2}	1 ^{1/2}	2	2 ^{1/2}
× 176				2 ^{1/2}	3
× 145					
× 132					
× 109					
× 99					
× 68			3 ^{1/2}		
× 43			3		
W12 × 190	1 ^{1/2}	1 ^{1/2}	1 ^{1/2}	2	2 ^{1/2}
× 152				2 ^{1/2}	3
× 136					
× 106					
× 96			3 ^{1/2}		
× 87					
× 65					
× 40				3	
W10 × 112	1 ^{1/2}	1 ^{1/2}	2	3	
× 100			2 ^{1/2}	3 ^{1/2}	
× 88					
× 77					
× 60					
× 39			3		
× 33		2			
W8 × 67	1 ^{1/2}	1 ^{1/2}	1 ^{1/2}	2 ^{1/2}	3
× 48			2	3	3 ^{1/2}
× 35					
× 28					
× 18		2	2 ^{1/2}		4
W6 × 25	1 ^{1/2}	2	2	3	3 ^{1/2}
× 15			2 ^{1/2}	3 ^{1/2}	4
× 9					

For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm.

- a. The tabulated thicknesses are based on the assumed properties of structural lightweight concrete given in [Table 722.5.1\(2\)](#).

722.5.1.1 General.

These procedures establish a basis for determining the fire resistance of column assemblies as a function of the thickness of fire-resistant material and, the weight, W, and heated perimeter, D, of structural steel columns. As used in these sections, W is the average weight of a

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structural steel column in pounds per linear foot. The heated perimeter, D , is the inside perimeter of the fire-resistant material in inches as illustrated in [Figure 722.5.1\(1\)](#).

722.5.1.1.1 Nonload-bearing protection.

The application of these procedures shall be limited to column assemblies in which the fire-resistant material is not designed to carry any of the *load* acting on the column.

722.5.1.1.2 Embedments.

In the absence of substantiating fire-endurance test results, ducts, conduit, piping, and similar mechanical, electrical, and plumbing installations shall not be embedded in any required fire-resistant materials.

722.5.1.1.3 Weight-to-perimeter ratio.

[Table 722.5.1\(1\)](#) contains weight-to-heated-perimeter ratios (W/D) for both contour and box fire-resistant profiles, for the wide flange shapes most often used as columns. For different fire-resistant protection profiles or column cross sections, the weight-to-heated-perimeter ratios (W/D) shall be determined in accordance with the definitions given in this section.

722.5.1.2 Gypsum wallboard protection.

The *fire resistance* of structural steel columns with weight-to-heated-perimeter ratios (W/D) less than or equal to 3.65 and that are protected with Type X *gypsum wallboard* shall be permitted to be determined from the following expression:

$$R = 130 \left[\frac{h(W/D)}{2} \right]^{0.75} \quad \text{(Equation 7-12)}$$

where:

R = Fire resistance (minutes).

h = Total thickness of *gypsum wallboard* (inches).

D = Heated perimeter of the structural steel column (inches).

W' = Total weight of the structural steel column and *gypsum wallboard* protection (pounds per linear foot).

$W' = W + 50hD/144$.

722.5.1.2.1 Attachment.

The *gypsum board* or *gypsum panel products* shall be supported as illustrated in either [Figure 722.5.1\(2\)](#) for *fire-resistance ratings* of 4 hours or less, or [Figure 722.5.1\(3\)](#) for *fire-resistance ratings* of 3 hours or less.

722.5.1.2.2 Gypsum wallboard equivalent to concrete.

The determination of the *fire resistance* of structural steel columns from [Figure 722.5.1\(4\)](#) is permitted for various thicknesses of *gypsum wallboard* as a function of the weight-to-heated-perimeter ratio (W/D) of the column. For structural steel columns with weight-to-heated-perimeter ratios (W/D) greater than 3.65, the thickness of *gypsum wallboard* required for specified *fire-resistance ratings* shall be the same as the thickness determined for a W14 × 233 wide flange shape.

722.5.1.3 Sprayed fire-resistant materials.

The *fire resistance* of wide-flange structural steel columns protected with sprayed fire-resistant materials, as illustrated in [Figure 722.5.1\(5\)](#), shall be permitted to be determined from the following expression:

$$R = [C_1(W/D) + C_2]h \quad \text{(Equation 7-13)}$$

where:

R = Fire resistance (minutes).

h = Thickness of sprayed fire-resistant material (inches).

D = Heated perimeter of the structural steel column (inches).

C_1 and C_2 = Material-dependent constants.

W = Weight of structural steel columns (pounds per linear foot).

The *fire resistance* of structural steel columns protected with intumescent or mastic fire-resistant coatings shall be determined on the basis of *fire-resistance* tests in accordance with [Section 703.2](#).

722.5.1.3.1 Material-dependent constants.

The material-dependent constants, C_1 and C_2 , shall be determined for specific fire-resistant materials on the basis of standard fire endurance tests in accordance with [Section 703.2](#). Unless evidence is submitted to the *building official* substantiating a broader application, this expression shall be limited to determining the *fire resistance* of structural steel columns with weight-to-heated-perimeter ratios (W/D) between the largest and smallest columns for which standard fire-resistance test results are available.

722.5.1.3.2 Identification.

Sprayed fire-resistant materials shall be identified by density and thickness required for a given *fire-resistance rating*.

722.5.1.4 Concrete-protected columns.

The *fire resistance* of structural steel columns protected with concrete, as illustrated in [Figure 722.5.1\(6\)](#) illustrations (a) and (b), shall be permitted to be determined from the following expression:

$$R = R_o(1 + 0.03m) \quad \text{(Equation 7-14)}$$

where:

$$R_o = 10 (W/D)^{0.7} + 17 (h^{1.6}/k_c^{0.2}) \times [1 + 26 \{H/p_c c_h (L + h)\}^{0.25}]$$

As used in these expressions:

R = Fire endurance at equilibrium moisture conditions (minutes).

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R_0 = Fire endurance at zero moisture content (minutes).
 m = Equilibrium moisture content of the concrete by volume (percent).
 W = Average weight of the structural steel column (pounds per linear foot).
 D = Heated perimeter of the structural steel column (inches).
 h = Thickness of the concrete cover (inches).
 k_c = Ambient temperature thermal conductivity of the concrete (Btu/hr ft °F).
 H = Ambient temperature thermal capacity of the steel column = 0.11W (Btu/ ft °F).
 ρ_c = Concrete density (pounds per cubic foot).
 c_c = Ambient temperature specific heat of concrete (Btu/lb °F).
 L = Interior dimension of one side of a square concrete box protection (inches).

722.5.1.4.1 Reentrant space filled.

For wide-flange structural steel columns completely encased in concrete with all reentrant spaces filled [Figure 722.5.1\(6\)](#), illustration (c), the thermal capacity of the concrete within the reentrant spaces shall be permitted to be added to the thermal capacity of the steel column, as follows:

$$H = 0.11 W + (p_c c_c / 144) (b_f d - A_s)$$

where:

(Equation 7-15)

b_f = Flange width of the structural steel column (inches).
 d = Depth of the structural steel column (inches).
 A_s = Cross-sectional area of the steel column (square inches).

722.5.1.4.2 Concrete properties unknown.

If specific data on the properties of concrete are not available, the values given in [Table 722.5.1\(2\)](#) are permitted.

722.5.1.4.3 Minimum concrete cover.

For structural steel columns encased in concrete with all reentrant spaces filled, [Figure 722.5.1\(6\)](#), illustration (c) and [Tables 722.5.1\(7\)](#) and [722.5.1\(8\)](#) indicate the thickness of concrete cover required for various *fire-resistance ratings* for typical wide-flange sections. The thicknesses of concrete indicated in these tables apply to structural steel columns larger than those specified.

722.5.1.4.4 Minimum precast concrete cover.

For structural steel columns protected with precast concrete column covers as shown in [Figure 722.5.1\(6\)](#), illustration (a), [Tables 722.5.1\(9\)](#) and [722.5.1\(10\)](#) indicate the thickness of the column covers required for various *fire-resistance ratings* for typical wide-flange shapes. The thicknesses of concrete given in these tables apply to structural steel columns larger than those specified.

722.5.1.4.5 Masonry protection.

The *fire resistance* of structural steel columns protected with concrete *masonry units* or clay *masonry units* as illustrated in [Figure 722.5.1\(7\)](#) shall be permitted to be determined from the following expression:

$$R = 0.17 (W/D)^{0.7} + [0.285 (T_e^{1.6}/K^{0.3})] / [1.0 + 42.7 \{(A_s/d_m T_e)/(0.25p + T_e)\}^{0.5}]$$

where:

(Equation 7-16)

R = *Fire-resistance rating* of column assembly (hours).
 W = Average weight of structural steel column (pounds per foot).
 D = Heated perimeter of structural steel column (inches) [see [Figure 722.5.1\(7\)](#)].
 T_e = Equivalent thickness of concrete or clay *masonry unit* (inches) (see [Table 722.3.2](#), Note a or [Section 722.4.1](#)).
 K = Thermal conductivity of concrete or clay *masonry unit* (Btu/hr × ft × °F) [see [Table 722.5.1\(3\)](#)].
 A_s = Cross-sectional area of structural steel column (square inches).
 d_m = Density of the concrete or clay *masonry unit* (pounds per cubic foot).
 p = Inner perimeter of concrete or clay masonry protection (inches) [see [Figure 722.5.1\(7\)](#)].

722.5.1.4.6 Equivalent concrete masonry thickness.

For structural steel columns protected with concrete masonry, [Table 722.5.1\(5\)](#) gives the equivalent thickness of concrete masonry required for various *fire-resistance ratings* for typical column shapes. For structural steel columns protected with clay masonry, [Table 722.5.1\(6\)](#) gives the equivalent thickness of concrete masonry required for various *fire-resistance ratings* for typical column shapes.

722.5.2 Structural steel beams and girders.

The *fire-resistance ratings* of structural steel beams and girders shall be based on the size of the element and the type of protection provided in accordance with this section.

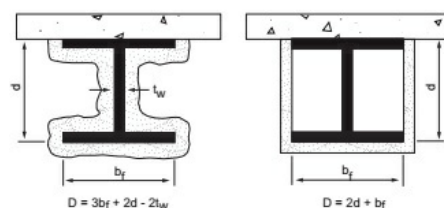


FIGURE 722.5.2
DETERMINATION OF THE HEATED PERIMETER OF STRUCTURAL STEEL BEAMS AND GIRDERS

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722.5.2.1 Determination of fire resistance.

These procedures establish a basis for determining resistance of structural steel beams and girders that differ in size from that specified in *approved* fire-resistance-rated assemblies as a function of the thickness of fire-resistant material and the weight (W) and heated perimeter (D) of the beam or girder. As used in these sections, W is the average weight of a *structural steel element* in pounds per linear foot (plf). The heated perimeter, D , is the inside perimeter of the fire-resistant material in inches as illustrated in [Figure 722.5.2](#).

722.5.2.1.1 Weight-to-heated perimeter.

The weight-to-heated-perimeter ratios (W/D), for both contour and box fire-resistant protection profiles, for the wide flange shapes most often used as beams or girders are given in [Table 722.5.1\(4\)](#). For different shapes, the weight-to-heated-perimeter ratios (W/D) shall be determined in accordance with the definitions given in this section.

722.5.2.1.2 Beam and girder substitutions.

Except as provided for in [Section 722.5.2.2](#), structural steel beams in *approved* fire-resistance-rated assemblies shall be considered to be the minimum permissible size. Other beam or girder shapes shall be permitted to be substituted provided that the weight-to-heated-perimeter ratio (W/D) of the substitute beam is equal to or greater than that of the beam specified in the *approved* assembly.

722.5.2.2 Sprayed fire-resistant materials.

The provisions in this section apply to structural steel beams and girders protected with sprayed fire-resistant materials. Larger or smaller beam and girder shapes shall be permitted to be substituted for beams specified in *approved* unrestrained or restrained fire-resistance-rated assemblies, provided that the thickness of the fire-resistant material is adjusted in accordance with the following expression:

$$h_2 = h_1 [(W_1 / D_1) + 0.60] / [(W_2 / D_2) + 0.60]$$

where:

(Equation 7-17)

h = Thickness of sprayed fire-resistant material in inches.

W = Weight of the structural steel beam or girder in pounds per linear foot.

D = Heated perimeter of the structural steel beam in inches.

Subscript 1 refers to the beam and fire-resistant material thickness in the *approved* assembly.

Subscript 2 refers to the substitute beam or girder and the required thickness of fire-resistant material.

The *fire resistance* of structural steel beams and girders protected with intumescent or mastic fire-resistant coatings shall be determined on the basis of fire-resistance tests in accordance with [Section 703.2](#).

722.5.2.2.1 Minimum thickness.

The use of [Equation 7-17](#) is subject to the following conditions:

1. The weight-to-heated-perimeter ratio for the substitute beam or girder (W_2 / D_2) shall be not less than 0.37.
2. The thickness of fire protection materials calculated for the substitute beam or girder (T_1) shall be not less than $3/8$ inch (9.5 mm).
3. The unrestrained or restrained beam rating shall be not less than 1 hour.
4. Where used to adjust the material thickness for a restrained beam, the use of this procedure is limited to structural steel sections classified as compact in accordance with [AISC 360](#).

722.5.2.3 Structural steel trusses.

The *fire resistance* of structural steel trusses protected with fire-resistant materials sprayed to each of the individual truss elements shall be permitted to be determined in accordance with this section. The thickness of the fire-resistant material shall be determined in accordance with [Section 722.5.1.3](#). The weight-to-heated-perimeter ratio (W/D) of truss elements that can be simultaneously exposed to fire on all sides shall be determined on the same basis as columns, as specified in [Section 722.5.1.1](#). The weight-to-heated-perimeter ratio (W/D) of truss elements that directly support floor or roof assembly shall be determined on the same basis as beams and girders, as specified in [Section 722.5.2.1](#).

The *fire resistance* of structural steel trusses protected with intumescent or mastic fire-resistant coatings shall be determined on the basis of *fire resistance* tests in accordance with [Section 703.2](#).

722.6 Wood assemblies.

The provisions of this section contain procedures by which the *fire-resistance ratings* of wood assemblies are established by calculations.

722.6.1 General.

This section contains procedures for calculating the *fire-resistance ratings* of walls, floor/ceiling and roof/ceiling assemblies based in part on the standard method of testing referenced in [Section 703.2](#).

722.6.1.1 Maximum fire-resistance rating.

Fire-resistance ratings calculated for assemblies using the methods in [Section 722.6](#) shall be limited to not more than 1 hour.

722.6.1.2 Dissimilar membranes.

Where dissimilar membranes are used on a wall assembly that requires consideration of fire exposure from both sides, the calculation shall be made from the least fire-resistant (weaker) side.

722.6.2 Walls, floors and roofs.

These procedures apply to both load-bearing and nonload-bearing assemblies.

TABLE 722.6.2(1)
TIME ASSIGNED TO WALLBOARD MEMBRANES^{a, b, c, d}

DESCRIPTION OF FINISH	TIME ^e (minutes)
³ / ₈ -inch wood structural panel bonded with exterior glue	5
¹⁵ / ₃₂ -inch wood structural panel bonded with exterior glue	10

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¹⁹ / ₃₂ -inch wood structural panel bonded with exterior glue	15
³ / ₈ -inch gypsum wallboard	10
¹ / ₂ -inch gypsum wallboard	15
⁵ / ₈ -inch gypsum wallboard	30
¹ / ₂ -inch Type X gypsum wallboard	25
⁵ / ₈ -inch Type X gypsum wallboard	40
Double ³ / ₈ -inch gypsum wallboard	25
¹ / ₂ -inch + ³ / ₈ -inch gypsum wallboard	35
Double ¹ / ₂ -inch gypsum wallboard	40

For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm.

- These values apply only where membranes are installed on framing members that are spaced 16 inches o.c. or less.
- Gypsum wallboard installed over framing or furring shall be installed so that all edges are supported, except ⁵/₈-inch Type X gypsum wallboard shall be permitted to be installed horizontally with the horizontal joints staggered 24 inches each side and unsupported but finished.
- On wood frame floor/ceiling or roof/ceiling assemblies, gypsum board shall be installed with the long dimension perpendicular to framing members and shall have all joints finished.
- The membrane on the unexposed side shall not be included in determining the fire resistance of the assembly. Where dissimilar membranes are used on a wall assembly, the calculation shall be made from the least fire-resistant (weaker) side.
- The time assigned is not a finished rating.

TABLE 722.6.2(2)
TIME ASSIGNED FOR CONTRIBUTION OF WOOD FRAME^a, b, c

DESCRIPTION	TIME ASSIGNED TO FRAME (minutes)
Wood studs 16 inches o.c.	20
Wood floor and roof joists 16 inches o.c.	10

For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm.

- This table does not apply to studs or joists spaced more than 16 inches o.c.

TABLE 722.6.2(3)
MEMBRANE^a ON EXTERIOR FACE OF WOOD STUD WALLS

SHEATHING	PAPER	EXTERIOR FINISH
		Lumber siding
		Wood shingles and shakes
⁵ / ₈ -inch T & G lumber		¹ / ₄ -inch <i>fiber-cement</i> lap, panel or shingle siding
⁵ / ₁₆ -inch exterior glue wood structural panel		¹ / ₄ -inch wood structural panels-exterior type
¹ / ₂ -inch gypsum wallboard	Sheathing paper	¹ / ₄ -inch hardboard
⁵ / ₈ -inch gypsum wallboard		Metal siding
¹ / ₂ -inch fiberboard		Stucco on metal lath
		Masonry veneer
		Vinyl siding
None	—	³ / ₈ -inch exterior-grade wood structural panels

For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm.

TABLE 722.6.2(4)
FLOORING OR ROOFING OVER WOOD FRAMING^a

ASSEMBLY	STRUCTURAL MEMBERS	SUBFLOOR OR ROOF DECK	FINISHED FLOORING OR ROOFING
Floor	Wood	¹⁵ / ₃₂ -inch wood structural panels or ¹¹ / ₁₆ -inch T & G softwood	Hardwood or softwood flooring on building paper; resilient flooring; parquet floor; felted-synthetic fiber floor coverings, carpeting, or ceramic tile on ¹ / ₄ -inch-thick fiber-cement underlayment or ³ / ₈ -inch-thick panel-type underlayment; ceramic tile on ¹ / ₄ -inch mortar bed.

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Roof	Wood	¹⁵ / ₃₂ -inch wood structural panels or ¹¹ / ₁₆ -inch T & G softwood	Finished roofing material with or without insulation
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For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm.

- a. This table applies only to wood joist construction. It is not applicable to wood truss construction.

TABLE 722.6.2(5)
TIME ASSIGNED FOR ADDITIONAL PROTECTION

DESCRIPTION OF ADDITIONAL PROTECTION	FIRE RESISTANCE (minutes)
Add to the fire-resistance rating of wood stud walls if the spaces between the studs are completely filled with glass fiber mineral wool batts weighing not less than 2 pounds per cubic foot (0.6 pound per square foot of wall surface) or rockwool or slag material wool batts weighing not less than 3.3 pounds per cubic foot (1 pound per square foot of wall surface), or cellulose insulation having a nominal density not less than 2.6 pounds per cubic foot.	15

722.6.2.1 Fire-resistance rating of wood frame assemblies.

The *fire-resistance rating* of a wood frame assembly is equal to the sum of the time assigned to the membrane on the fire-exposed side, the time assigned to the framing members and the time assigned for additional contribution by other protective measures such as insulation. The membrane on the unexposed side shall not be included in determining the *fire resistance* of the assembly.

722.6.2.2 Time assigned to membranes.

Table 722.6.2(1) indicates the time assigned to membranes on the fire-exposed side.

722.6.2.3 Exterior walls.

For an *exterior wall* with a *fire separation distance* greater than 10 feet (3048 mm), the wall is assigned a rating dependent on the interior membrane and the framing as described in Table 722.6.2(1) and Table 722.6.2(2). The membrane on the outside of the nonfire-exposed side of *exterior walls* with a *fire separation distance* greater than 10 feet (3048 mm) shall consist of sheathing, sheathing paper and siding as described in Table 722.6.2(3).

722.6.2.4 Floors and roofs.

In the case of a floor or roof, the standard test provides only for testing for fire exposure from below. Except as noted in Section 703.2.3, floor or roof assemblies of wood framing shall have an upper membrane consisting of a subfloor and finished floor conforming to Table 722.6.2(4) or any other membrane that has a contribution to *fire resistance* of not less than 15 minutes in Table 722.6.2(1).

722.6.2.5 Additional protection.

Table 722.6.2(5) indicates the time increments to be added to the *fire resistance* where glass fiber, rockwool, slag *mineral wool* or cellulose insulation is incorporated in the assembly.

722.6.2.6 Fastening.

Fastening of wood frame assemblies and the fastening of membranes to the wood framing members shall be done in accordance with Chapter 23.

722.7 Fire-resistance rating for mass timber.

The required *fire resistance* of mass timber elements in Section 602.4 shall be determined in accordance with Section 703.2. The *fire-resistance rating of building elements* shall be as required in Tables 601 and 705.5 and as specified elsewhere in this code. The *fire-resistance rating of the mass timber elements* shall consist of the *fire resistance* of the unprotected element added to the protection time of the noncombustible protection.

722.7.1 Minimum required protection.

Where required by Sections 602.4.1 through 602.4.3, *noncombustible protection* shall be provided for mass timber building elements in accordance with Table 722.7.1(1). The rating, in minutes, contributed by the *noncombustible protection of mass timber building elements*, components or assemblies, shall be established in accordance with Section 703.6. The protection contributions indicated in Table 722.7.1(2) shall be deemed to comply with this requirement where installed and fastened in accordance with Section 722.7.2.

TABLE 722.7.1(1)
PROTECTION REQUIRED FROM NONCOMBUSTIBLE COVERING MATERIAL

REQUIRED FIRE-RESISTANCE RATING OF BUILDING ELEMENT PER TABLE 601 AND TABLE 705.5 (hours)	MINIMUM PROTECTION REQUIRED FROM NONCOMBUSTIBLE PROTECTION (minutes)
1	40
2	80
3 or more	120

TABLE 722.7.1(2)
PROTECTION PROVIDED BY NONCOMBUSTIBLE COVERING MATERIAL

NONCOMBUSTIBLE PROTECTION	PROTECTION CONTRIBUTION (minutes)
¹ / ₂ -inch Type X gypsum board	25
⁵ / ₈ -inch Type X gypsum board	40

722.7.2 Installation of gypsum board noncombustible protection.

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Gypsum board complying with Table 722.7.1(2) shall be installed in accordance with this section.

722.7.2.1 Interior surfaces.

Layers of Type X gypsum board serving as noncombustible protection for interior surfaces of wall and ceiling assemblies determined in accordance with Table 722.7.1(1) shall be installed in accordance with the following:

1. Each layer shall be attached with Type S drywall screws of sufficient length to penetrate the mass timber at least 1 inch (25 mm) when driven flush with the paper surface of the gypsum board.

Exception: The third layer, where determined necessary by Section 722.7, shall be permitted to be attached with 1-inch (25 mm) No. 6 Type S drywall screws to furring channels in accordance with AISI S220.

2. Screws for attaching the base layer shall be 12 inches (305 mm) on center in both directions.
3. Screws for each layer after the base layer shall be 12 inches (305 mm) on center in both directions and offset from the screws of the previous layers by 4 inches (102 mm) in both directions.
4. All panel edges of any layer shall be offset 18 inches (457 mm) from those of the previous layer.
5. All panel edges shall be attached with screws sized and offset as in Items 1 through 4 and placed at least 1 inch (25 mm) but not more than 2 inches (51 mm) from the panel edge.
6. All panels installed at wall-to-ceiling intersections shall be installed such that ceiling panels are installed first and the wall panels are installed after the ceiling panel has been installed and is fitted tight to the ceiling panel. Where multiple layers are required, each layer shall repeat this process.
7. All panels installed at a wall-to-wall intersection shall be installed such that the panels covering an exterior wall or a wall with a greater fire-resistance rating shall be installed first and the panels covering the other wall shall be fitted tight to the panel covering the first wall. Where multiple layers are required, each layer shall repeat this process.
8. Panel edges of the face layer shall be taped and finished with joint compound. Fastener heads shall be covered with joint compound.
9. Panel edges protecting mass timber elements adjacent to unprotected mass timber elements in accordance with Section 602.4.2.2 shall be covered with 1¹/₄-inch (32 mm) metal corner bead and finished with joint compound.

722.7.2.2 Exterior surfaces.

Layers of Type X gypsum board serving as noncombustible protection for the outside of the exterior mass timber walls determined in accordance with Table 722.7.1(1) shall be fastened 12 inches (305 mm) on center each way and 6 inches (152 mm) on center at all joints or ends. All panel edges shall be attached with fasteners located at least 1 inch (25 mm) but not more than 2 inches (51 mm) from the panel edge. Fasteners shall comply with one of the following:

1. Galvanized nails of minimum 12 gage with a 7/16-inch (11 mm) head of sufficient length to penetrate the mass timber a minimum of 1 inch (25 mm).
2. Screws that comply with ASTM C1002 (Type S, W or G) of sufficient length to penetrate the mass timber a minimum of 1 inch (25 mm).