**1406.2 Combustible exterior wall coverings.** Combustible *exterior wall coverings* shall comply with this section.

**Exception:** Plastics complying with Chapter 26.

**1406.2.1 Ignition resistance.** Combustible *exterior wall coverings* shall be tested in accordance with NFPA 268.

## **Exceptions:**

- 1 Wood or wood-based products.
- 2. Other combustible materials covered with an exterior covering other than vinyl sidings listed in Table 1405.2.
- 3. Aluminum having a minimum thickness of 0.019 inch (0.48 mm).
- 4. Exterior wall coverings on exterior walls of Type V construction.

**1406.2.1.1** Fire separation 5 feet or less. Where installed on *exterior walls* having a *fire separation distance* of 5 feet (1524 mm) or less, combustible *exterior wall coverings* shall not exhibit sustained flaming as defined in NFPA 268.

**1406.2.1.2** Fire separation greater than 5 feet. For fire separation distances greater than 5 feet (1524 mm), an assembly shall be permitted that has been exposed to a reduced level of incident radiant heat flux in accordance with the NFPA 268 test method without exhibiting sustained flaming. The minimum *fire separation distance* required for the assembly shall be determined from Table 1406.2.1.2 based on the maximum tolerable level of incident radiant heat flux that does not cause sustained flaming of the assembly.

TABLE 1406.2.1.2 MINIMUM FIRE SEPARATION FOR COMBUSTIBLE VENEERS

FIRE SEPARATION DISTANCE (feet)	TOLERABLE LEVEL INCIDENT RADIANT HEAT ENERGY (kW/m²)	FIRE SEPARATION DISTANCE (feet)	TOLERABLE LEVEL INCIDENT RADIANT HEAT ENERGY (kW/m²)
5	12.5	16	5.9
6	11.8	17	5.5
7	11.0	18	5.2
8	10.3	19	4.9
9	9.6	20	4.6
10	8.9	21	4.4
11	8.3	22	4.1
12	7.7	23	3.9
13	7.2	24	3.7
14 15	6.7 6.3	25	3.5

For SI: 1 foot = 304.8 mm.