

SECTION 07420

PHENOLIC (HPL) WALL PANELS

PART 1 GENERAL

1.1 SECTION INCLUDES

- A. The extent of the panel and installation system work is indicated on the drawings and in these specifications
- B. The cladding panels and installation system includes the following components
 - 1. Solid phenolic wall cladding, fascia, horizontal soffit, and storefront panels with installation systems. Panel installation systems include, but are not limited to: phenolic panels, panel fasteners, rail anchors, aluminum sub-frame, joint closure, and certain aluminum perimeter closure pieces as required for a complete drained and back ventilated rain screen system.
 - 2. Interior panel system work that basically matches the color and/or design intent of the exterior panel system.

1.2 RELATED DOCUMENTS

- A. Drawings and general provisions of the Contract including General and Supplementary Conditions, Division 1 Specifications, and Technical Specification Divisions 2 through 16 apply to this Section.

1.3 RELATED SECTIONS

- A. Section 06100 - Rough Carpentry/Back Up Walls
- B. Section 05100 - Structural Steel
- C. Section 07200 – Insulation
- D. Section 05400 - Cold Formed Metal Framing
- E. Section 05500 - Metal Fabrications
- F. Section 07920 - Joint Sealants
- G. Section 08910 - Glazed Curtain Walls

1.4 REFERENCES

- A. ISO 178 – Determination of Flexural Properties
- B. ISO 527-3 – Determination of Tensile Properties
- C. EN 438-2 – Decorative High Pressure Laminate (HPL) Sheets Based on Thermosetting Resins – Determination of Properties
- D. ASTM E330 – Standard Test Method for Structural Performance of Exterior Windows, Curtain Walls, and Doors Under the Influence of Wind Loads

- E. ASTM E 84 - Standard Test Method for Surface Burning Characteristics of Building Materials
- F. ASTM D1929 – Standard Test Method for Ignition Temperature
- G. ASTM D635 – Standard Test Method for Small Scale Burning
- H. ASTM E119 – Standard Test Method for Fire Rated or Fire Resistive Construction
- I. NFPA 285 (USA) – Standard Fire Test Method for Evaluation of Fire Propagation Characteristics of Exterior Non-Load-Bearing Wall Assemblies Containing Combustible Components
- J. CAN/ULC S-134 (Canada) – Standard Method of Fire Test of Exterior Wall Assemblies.
- K. NFPA 268 – Standard Test Method for Determining Ignitability of Exterior Wall Assemblies Using a Radiant Heat Energy Source

1.5 SUBMITTALS

- A. Submit under provisions of Section 01300
- B. Product Data: Manufacturer's data sheets on each product to be used, including:
 - 1. Preparation instructions and recommendations
 - 2. Storage and handling requirements and recommendations
 - 3. Installation methods
- C. Statement certifying that the material meets the requirements specified
- D. Shop Drawings: Submit plan, section, elevation and perspective drawings necessary to describe and convey the layout, profiles and product components, including edge conditions, panel joints, fixture location, anchorage, accessories, finish colors, patterns and textures.
- E. Documents showing product compliance with local building code shall be submitted prior to the bid. These documents shall include, but not be limited to, appropriate Evaluation Reports and/or test reports supporting the use of the product. Alternate materials must be approved by the architect of record prior to the bid date.
- F. Engineering Calculations: Submit engineering calculations as required by the local building code, showing that the installed panels and attachments system meets the wind load requirements for the project.
- G. Verification Samples: For each finish product specified, two samples a minimum of 3.5 inches by 3.5 inches (89mm x 89mm) representing actual product, color, and patterns. Sample edges may vary from field panel edges.
- H. Closeout Submittals:
 - 1. Operation and Maintenance Data: Submit operation, maintenance, and cleaning information for products covered under this section.

1.6 QUALITY ASSURANCE

- A. **Manufacturer Qualifications:** All primary panel products specified in this section will be supplied by a single manufacturer with a minimum of ten (10) years experience.
- B. **Installer Qualifications:** All products listed in this section are to be installed by a single installer trained and approved by the manufacture or representative with a minimum (5) years of experience.
- C. **Mock-Up:** Provide a mock-up for evaluation of the product and application workmanship.
- D. **Pre-installation Meetings:** Conduct pre-installation conference to verify project requirements, substrate conditions, manufacturer's installation instructions and manufacturer's warranty requirements.

1.7 DELIVERY, STORAGE, AND HANDLING

A. Delivery:

1. During transportation, use stable, flat pallets that are at least the same dimension as the sheets.
2. Materials shall be packaged to minimize or eliminate the possibility of damage during shipping. Items such as wooden side boards, wooden lid, and spacers or protective sheeting between panels shall be used to protect the panels from surface and/or edge damage.

B. Storage:

1. Store products in an enclosed area protected from direct sunlight, moisture and heat. Maintain a consistent temperature and humidity.
2. Store products in manufacturer's unopened packaging until ready for installation.
3. Stack panels using protective dividers to avoid damage to decorative surface.
4. For horizontal storage, store sheets on pallets of equal or greater size as the sheets with a protective layer between the pallet and sheet and on top of the uppermost sheet.
5. Do not store sheets, or fabricated panels vertically.

C. Handling:

1. Remove protective film within 24 hours of the panels being removed from the pallet.
2. When moving sheets, lift evenly to avoid dragging panels across each other and scratching the decorative surface.
3. Remove all labels and stickers immediately after installation.

1.8 PROJECT CONDITIONS

- A. **Maintain environmental conditions** (temperature, humidity, and ventilation) within limits recommended by manufacturer for optimum results. Do not install products under environmental conditions outside manufacturer's absolute limits.
- B. **Field Measurements:** Verify actual measurements/openings by field measurements performed by the installer prior to release for fabrication. Recorded measurements to be indicated on shop drawings based on field measurements provided by the installer. Coordinate field measurements and fabrication schedule with construction progress to avoid construction delays.
- C. **WARRANTY:** At project closeout, provide Manufacturer's limited ten (10) year warranty covering

defects in materials. Warranty only available when material installed by an installation contractor trained and approved by the manufacturer's representative.

PART 2 PRODUCTS

2.1 MANUFACTURERS

- A. Acceptable Material Manufacturer: Fundermax GmbH; Klagenfurter StraBe 87 – 89, 9300 St. Veit/Glan, Austria; www.fundermax.com
- B. North American Representative: Fundermax North America; 311 Vickery Road, Auburn, ME 04210, USA; Robert Pea; Tel: 1-207-576-1764; Email: robert.pea@fundermax.biz; www.fundermax.com
- C. Approved Installer: Keith Panel Systems Co. Ltd., Suite 2-40 Gostick Place, North Vancouver, BC, V7M 3G3. Tel: (604) 987-4499. Fax: (604) 987-4742. Email: estimating@keithpanel.com. www.keithpanel.com
- D. Substitutions: Not permitted
- E. Items of the same function and performance which have received prior approval from the architect shall be allowed for this project. Approval shall be based on documentation submitted showing the adequacy of the proposed material to meet the performance requirements of this specification.

2.2 SCOPE / APPLICATION

Plans, elevations, details, characteristics, and other requirements indicated are based upon standards by a single manufacturer. Alternate material manufacturers, receiving prior approval, may be acceptable provided their details and characteristics comply with the material/performance standards of the project.

- A. Exposed fastening on fixed depth aluminum sub-framing – Combustible Construction permitted
- B. Concealed fastening over fixed depth aluminum sub-framing – Combustible Construction permitted.
- C. Exposed fastening on fixed depth aluminum sub-framing tested and meeting the fire performance requirements of NFPA 285 or CAN/ULC S-134 where applicable
- D. Other installation systems - Include test documentation showing compliance with the performance criteria set forth in the specification and in accordance with the local building code.

2.3 SOLID PHENOLIC EXTERIOR WALL PANELS

A. Product Description:

1. Material: Solid phenolic resin, fire-retardant exterior grade.
2. Panel Finish: as selected by Architect from Manufacturer's standard color range.
3. Panel Core: Standard brown core.
4. Panel Thickness: (8mm) (10mm) as indicated on drawings.

C. Physical Properties:

1. Smoke Development Index: Less than 40 per ASTM E-84.
2. Flame Spread Index: Less than 10 per ASTM E-84.
3. Panels shall have UV and weather resistance performance with a grey scale rating minimum of 4-5 per ISO 4892-2, 4892-3.
4. Panels shall be impact resistant per EN-ISO 178
5. Panels shall be scratch resistant per EN-438-6
6. Panels shall be FSC Certified.
7. Panels shall be ICC AC92 compliant and have ICC Evaluation Services Report.

2.4 ACCESSORIES

- A. Secondary Framing - Aluminum sub-structure designed to withstand structural loading due to wind load and the dead load of the panel painted as required to conceal behind the open joinery of the attachment system
1. Extrusions, formed members, sheet, and plate shall conform with the recommendations of the manufacturer.
- B. Extruded Aluminum Trim - color as specified in the finish schedule
- C. Fasteners (concealed/exposed) – Fasteners shall be non-corrosive and as recommended by panel manufacturer. Exposed fasteners shall be colored to match panels where required by the architect.

2.5 FABRICATION

- A. Solid phenolic impregnated Kraft paper wall panels with no voids, air spaces or foamed insulation in the core material
- B. Accessory items in accordance with manufacturer's recommendations and approved submittals
- C. Panel Weight – 8mm (2.4 lb/ft²), 10mm (3 lb/ ft²)
- D. Panel Bow – (As manufactured) - ≤ 2 mm / m (≤ 0.079"/39.38")
- E. Panel Dimensions – Field fabrication shall be allowed where necessary, but shall be kept to an absolute minimum. All fabrication shall be done under controlled shop conditions when possible.
- F. Panel lines, breaks, and angles shall be sharp, true, and surfaces free from warp and buckle

PART 3 EXECUTION

3.1 EXAMINATION

- A. Do not begin installation until substrates have been properly prepared.
- B. Surfaces to receive panels shall be even, smooth, dry, and free from defects detrimental to the installation of the panel system. Notify contractor in writing of conditions detrimental to proper and timely completion of the work.
- C. Confirm exterior sheathing is plumb and level, with no deflection greater than 1/4 inch (6mm) in 20 feet (6096mm).
- D. If substrate preparation is the responsibility of another installer, notify Architect of unsatisfactory preparation before proceeding. Do not proceed with installation until unsatisfactory conditions have been corrected.

3.2 PREPARATION

- A. Clean surfaces thoroughly prior to installation.
- B. Prepare surfaces using the methods recommended by the manufacturer for achieving the best result for the substrate under the project conditions.

3.3 INSTALLATION

- A. Install solid phenolic wall panels and sub-frame system in accordance with manufacturer's instructions.
- B. Install solid phenolic wall panels plumb and level and accurately spaced in accordance with manufacturer's recommendations and approved submittals and drawings.
- C. Anchor panels and sub-framing securely per engineering recommendations and in accordance with approved shop drawings to allow for necessary movement and structural support.
- D. Fasten solid phenolic wall panels with fasteners approved for use with supporting substrate.
- E. Do not install panels or component parts which are observed to be defective or damaged including, but not limited to: warped, bowed, abraded, scratched, and broken members.
- F. Do not cut or trim component parts during installation in a manner that would damage the finish, decrease the strength, or result in visual imperfection or a failure in performance. Return component parts with require alteration to the shop for re-fabrication or replacement.
- G. Accessory Items: Install corner profiles and trim with fasteners appropriate for use with adjoining construction as indicated on the Contract Drawings and as recommended by manufacturer.

3.4 ADJUSTING AND CLEANING

- A. Adjust final panel installation so that all joints are true and even throughout the installation. Panels out of plane shall be adjusted with the surrounding panels to minimize any imperfection.
- B. Remove and replace panels damaged beyond repair as a direct result of the panel installation. After installation, panel repair and replacement shall become the responsibility of the General

Contractor.

- C. Repair panels with minor damage.
- D. Remove any masking or panel protection as soon as possible after installation. Any masking intentionally left in place after panel installation on an elevation, shall become the responsibility of the General Contractor.
- E. Final cleaning shall not be part of the work of this section

3.5 FIELD QUALITY REQUIREMENTS

- A. Manufacturer's Field Services: Upon Owner's request, provide manufacturer's field service consisting of product use recommendations and periodic site visits for inspection of product installation in accordance with manufacturer's instructions.

END OF SECTION