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**SECTION 09111**

**NON-LOAD-BEARING STEEL FRAMING**

**PART 1 - GENERAL**

1.1 SUMMARY

- A. This Section includes non-load-bearing steel framing members for the following applications:
1. Interior framing systems (e.g., supports for partition walls, framed soffits, furring, etc.).
  2. Interior suspension systems (e.g., supports for ceilings, suspended soffits, etc.).
  3. Interior shaft wall and chase wall framing.

1.2 SUBMITTALS

- A. Product Data: For each type of product indicated.

1.3 QUALITY ASSURANCE

- A. Fire-Test-Response Characteristics: Provide materials and construction identical to those tested in assembly indicated according to ASTM E 119 by a testing and inspection agency.
- B. Sound Transmission Characteristics: Provide materials and construction identical to those tested in assembly indicated according to ASTM E 90 and classified according to ASTM E 413 by a testing and inspection agency.

**PART 2 - PRODUCTS**

2.1 MANUFACTURERS

- A. Available Manufacturers: Subject to compliance with requirements, manufacturers offering products that may be incorporated into the Work include, but are not limited to, the following:
1. American Gypsum Company.
  2. BPB America Inc.
  3. Dietrich Metal Framing, A Worthington Industries Company.
  4. G-P Gypsum.
  5. Lafarge North America Inc.
  6. MarinoWare; Div. of Ware Industries, Inc.
  7. National Gypsum Company.
  8. PABCO Gypsum.
  9. Temple-Inland Forest Products Corporation.
  10. USG Corporation.

2.2 NON-LOAD-BEARING STEEL FRAMING, GENERAL

- A. Framing Members, General: Comply with ASTM C 754 for conditions indicated.
1. Steel Sheet Components: Comply with ASTM C 645 requirements for metal, unless otherwise indicated.
  2. Protective Coating: ASTM A 653/A 653M, G40 (Z120), hot-dip galvanized, unless otherwise indicated.
  3. Size components for a maximum deflection of L/240 at 5 lb. per sq. ft.

2.3 SUSPENSION SYSTEM COMPONENTS

- A. Tie Wire: ASTM A 641/A 641M, Class 1 zinc coating, soft temper, 0.0625-inch- (1.59-mm-) diameter wire, or double strand of 0.0475-inch- (1.21-mm-) diameter wire.

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- B. Wire Hangers: ASTM A 641/A 641M, Class 1 zinc coating, soft temper, 0.162-inch (4.12-mm) diameter.
  - C. Carrying Channels: Cold-rolled, commercial-steel sheet with a base-metal thickness of 0.0538 inch (1.37 mm) and minimum 1/2-inch- (12.7-mm-) wide flanges.
    - 1. Depth: 1-1/2 inches (38 mm).
  - D. Furring Channels (Furring Members):
    - 1. Hat-Shaped, Rigid Furring Channels: ASTM C 645, 7/8 inch (22.2 mm) deep.
      - a. Minimum Base Metal Thickness: 0.0312 inch (0.79 mm).
  - E. Grid Suspension System for Ceilings: ASTM C 645, direct-hung system composed of main beams and cross-furring members that interlock.
    - 1. Available Products: Subject to compliance with requirements, products that may be incorporated into the Work include, but are not limited to, the following:
      - a. Armstrong World Industries, Inc.; Drywall Grid Systems.
      - b. Chicago Metallic Corporation; 640-C Drywall Furring System.
      - c. USG Corporation; Drywall Suspension System.
- 2.4 STEEL FRAMING FOR FRAMED ASSEMBLIES
- A. Steel Studs and Runners: ASTM C 645.
    - 1. Minimum Base-Metal Thickness: 0.027 inch (0.7 mm).
    - 2. Depth: As indicated on Drawings.
  - B. Slip-Type Head Joints: Where indicated, provide one of the following:
    - 1. Single Long-Leg Runner System: ASTM C 645 top runner with 2-inch- (50.8-mm-) deep flanges in thickness not less than indicated for studs, installed with studs friction fit into top runner and with continuous bridging located within 12 inches (305 mm) of the top of studs to provide lateral bracing.
    - 2. Deflection Track: Steel sheet top runner manufactured to prevent cracking of finishes applied to interior partition framing resulting from deflection of structure above; in thickness not less than indicated for studs and in width to accommodate depth of studs.
      - a. Available Products: Subject to compliance with requirements, products that may be incorporated into the Work include, but are not limited to, the following:
        - 1) Steel Network Inc. (The); VertiClip SLD Series.
        - 2) Superior Metal Trim; Superior Flex Track System (SFT).
  - C. Flat Strap and Backing Plate: Steel sheet for blocking and bracing in length and width indicated.
    - 1. Minimum Base-Metal Thickness: 0.0312 inch (0.79 mm).
  - D. Hat-Shaped, Rigid Furring Channels: ASTM C 645.
    - 1. Minimum Base Metal Thickness: 0.0312 inch (0.79 mm).
    - 2. Depth: 7/8 inch (22.2 mm).
  - E. Resilient Furring Channels: 1/2-inch- (12.7-mm-) deep, steel sheet members designed to reduce sound transmission.
    - 1. Configuration: Asymmetrical.

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- F. Cold-Rolled Furring Channels: **0.0538-inch (1.37-mm)** bare-steel thickness, with minimum **1/2-inch- (12.7-mm-)** wide flanges.
1. Depth: **3/4 inch (19.1 mm)**.
  2. Furring Brackets: Adjustable, corrugated-edge type of steel sheet with minimum bare-steel thickness of **0.0312 inch (0.79 mm)**.
  3. Tie Wire: ASTM A 641/A 641M, Class 1 zinc coating, soft temper, **0.0625-inch- (1.59-mm-)** diameter wire, or double strand of **0.0475-inch- (1.21-mm-)** diameter wire.

#### 2.5 GYPSUM BOARD SHAFT-WALL ASSEMBLIES, GENERAL

- A. Provide materials and components complying with requirements of fire-resistance-rated assemblies indicated.
1. Provide panels in maximum lengths available to eliminate or minimize end-to-end butt joints.
  2. Provide auxiliary materials complying with gypsum board shaft-wall assembly manufacturer's written recommendations.
- B. Gypsum Liner Panels: Comply with ASTM C 442/C 442M.
1. Type X: Manufacturer's proprietary liner panels with moisture-resistant paper faces.
    - a. Core: **1 inch (25.4 mm)** thick.
    - b. Long Edges: Double bevel.
- C. Fire-Resistance Rating: 2 hours.
- D. STC Rating: 51, minimum.
- E. Studs: Manufacturer's standard profile for repetitive members, corner and end members, and fire-resistance-rated assembly indicated.
1. Depth: **2-1/2 inches (64 mm)**.
  2. Minimum Base-Metal Thickness: **0.0220 inch (0.55 mm)**.
- F. Runner Tracks: Manufacturer's standard J-profile track with long-leg length as standard with manufacturer, but at least **2 inches (51 mm)** long and in depth matching studs.
1. Minimum Base-Metal Thickness: Matching steel studs.
- G. Jamb Struts: Manufacturer's standard J-profile strut with long-leg length of **3 inches (76 mm)**, in depth matching studs, and not less than [**0.0329 inch (0.84 mm)**] <Insert thickness> thick.
- H. Insulation: Sound attenuation blankets.

#### 2.6 AUXILIARY MATERIALS

- A. Fasteners for Metal Framing: Of type, material, size, corrosion resistance, holding power, and other properties required to fasten steel members to substrates.

### PART 3 - EXECUTION

#### 3.1 INSTALLATION, GENERAL

- A. Installation Standard: ASTM C 754, except comply with framing sizes and spacing indicated.
1. Gypsum Board Assemblies: Also comply with requirements in ASTM C 840 that apply to framing installation.

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### 3.2 INSTALLING SUSPENSION SYSTEMS

- A. Isolate suspension systems from building structure where they abut or are penetrated by building structure to prevent transfer of loading imposed by structural movement.
- B. Suspend hangers from building structure as follows:
  - 1. Install hangers plumb and free from contact with insulation or other objects within ceiling plenum that are not part of supporting structural or suspension system.
    - a. Splay hangers only where required to miss obstructions and offset resulting horizontal forces by bracing, countersplaying, or other equally effective means.
  - 2. Where width of ducts and other construction within ceiling plenum produces hanger spacings that interfere with locations of hangers required to support standard suspension system members, install supplemental suspension members and hangers in the form of trapezes or equivalent devices.
    - a. Size supplemental suspension members and hangers to support ceiling loads within performance limits established by referenced installation standards.
  - 3. Do not connect or suspend steel framing from ducts, pipes, or conduit.
- C. Fire-Resistance-Rated Assemblies: Wire tie furring channels to supports.
- D. Seismic Bracing: Sway-brace suspension systems with hangers used for support.
- E. Grid Suspension Systems: Attach perimeter wall track or angle where grid suspension systems meet vertical surfaces. Mechanically join main beam and cross-furring members to each other and butt-cut to fit into wall track.
- F. Installation Tolerances: Install suspension systems that are level to within **1/8 inch in 12 feet (3 mm in 3.6 m)** measured lengthwise on each member that will receive finishes and transversely between parallel members that will receive finishes.

### 3.3 INSTALLING FRAMED ASSEMBLIES

- A. Install studs so flanges within framing system point in same direction.
  - 1. Space studs as follows:
    - a. Single-Layer Application: **16 inches (406 mm)** o.c., unless otherwise indicated.
    - b. Multilayer Application: **16 inches (406 mm)** o.c., unless otherwise indicated.
- B. Install tracks (runners) at floors and overhead supports. Extend framing full height to structural supports or substrates above suspended ceilings, except where partitions are indicated to terminate at suspended ceilings. Continue framing around ducts penetrating partitions above ceiling.
  - 1. Slip-Type Head Joints: Where framing extends to overhead structural supports, install to produce joints at tops of framing systems that prevent axial loading of finished assemblies.
  - 2. Door Openings: Screw vertical studs at jambs to jamb anchor clips on door frames; install runner track section (for cripple studs) at head and secure to jamb studs.
    - a. Space studs at each jamb to maintain rough opening requirements with the installation of wood studs for door attachment, unless otherwise indicated.
    - b. Extend jamb studs through suspended ceilings and attach to underside of overhead structure.

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3. Other Framed Openings: Frame openings other than door openings the same as required for door openings, unless otherwise indicated. Install framing below sills of openings to match framing required above door heads.
  4. Fire-Resistance-Rated Partitions: Install framing to comply with fire-resistance-rated assembly indicated and support closures and to make partitions continuous from floor to underside of solid structure.
  5. Sound-Rated Partitions: Install framing to comply with sound-rated assembly indicated.
- C. Seal gypsum board shaft walls with acoustical sealant at perimeter of each assembly where it abuts other work and at joints and penetrations within each assembly. Install acoustical sealant to withstand dislocation by air-pressure differential between shaft and external spaces; maintain an airtight and smoke-tight seal; and comply with ASTM C 919 requirements or with manufacturer's written instructions, whichever are more stringent.
- D. Direct Furring:
1. Screw to wood framing.
- E. Installation Tolerance: Install each framing member so fastening surfaces vary not more than **1/8 inch (3 mm)** from the plane formed by faces of adjacent framing.

**END OF SECTION 09111**