# SECTION 06 42 16 - WOOD VENEER PANELING

#### PART 1 - GENERAL

#### 1.1 SUMMARY

- A. Drawings and general provisions of the Contract, including General and Supplementary Conditions and Division 01 Specification Sections, apply to this Section.
- B. Section Includes:
  - 1. Flush wood-veneer paneling.
  - 2. Wood furring, blocking, shims, and hanging strips for installing flush wood paneling unless concealed within other construction before paneling installation.
  - 3. Shop finishing of flush wood veneer paneling.

## 1.2 PREINSTALLATION MEETINGS

A. Pre-installation Conference: Conduct conference at Project site.

#### 1.3 ACTION SUBMITTALS

- A. Product Data: For each type of product, including panel products, adhesives fireretardant-treated materials and Section 07 21 00 "Thermal Insulation. "finishing materials and processes.
  - 1. Include data for fire-retardant treatment from chemical-treatment manufacturer and certification by treating plant that treated materials comply with requirements.
- B. Shop Drawings: Show location of paneling, large-scale details, attachment devices, and other components. Include dimensioned plans and elevations.
  - 1. Show details full size.
  - 2. Show locations and sizes of furring and blocking, including concealed blocking specified in other Sections.
  - 3. For paneling produced from pre-manufactured sets, show finished panel sizes, set numbers, sequence numbers within sets, and method of cutting panels to produce indicated sizes.
  - 4. For paneling veneered in fabrication shop, show veneer leaves with dimensions, grain direction, exposed face, and identification numbers indicating the flitch and sequence within the flitch for each leaf.
- C. Samples for Initial Selection:
  - 1. Shop-applied transparent finishes.
- D. Samples for Verification:
  - 1. Lumber for transparent finish, not less than 5 inches (125 mm) wide by 12 inches (300 mm) long, for each species and cut, finished on one side and one edge.
  - 2. Veneer leaves representative of and selected from flitches to be used for transparent-finished paneling.

3. Veneer-faced panel products for transparent finish, 12 by 12 inches (300 by 300 mm), for each species and cut. Include at least one face-veneer seam

#### 1.4 INFORMATIONAL SUBMITTALS

A. Qualification Data: For Fabricator.

and finish as specified.

- 1. Product Certificates: For each type of product.
- B. Woodwork Quality Standard Compliance Certificates: AWI Quality Certification Program certificates.
- C. Evaluation Reports: For fire-retardant-treated materials and fire-retardant-treated paneling, from ICC-ES.

# 1.5 QUALITY ASSURANCE

- A. Fabricator Qualifications: Shop that employs skilled workers who custom-fabricate products similar to those required for this Project and whose products have a record of successful in-service performance. Shop is a certified participant in AWI's Quality Certification Program.
- B. Testing Agency Qualifications: For testing agency providing classification marking for fire-retardant-treated material, an inspection agency acceptable to authorities having jurisdiction that periodically performs inspections to verify that the material bearing the classification marking is representative of the material tested.
- C. Mockups: Build mockups to verify selections made under Sample submittals and to demonstrate aesthetic effects and set quality standards for materials and execution.
  - 1. Build mockups of typical paneling as shown on Drawings.
  - 2. Subject to compliance with requirements, approved mockups may become part of the completed Work if undisturbed at time of Substantial Completion.

# 1.6 DELIVERY, STORAGE, AND HANDLING

A. Do not deliver paneling until painting and similar operations that could damage paneling have been completed in installation areas. If paneling must be stored in other than installation areas, store only in areas where environmental conditions comply with requirements specified in "Field Conditions" Article.

# 1.7 FIELD CONDITIONS

- A. Environmental Limitations: Do not deliver or install paneling until building is enclosed, wet work is complete, and HVAC system is operating and will maintain temperature between 60 and 90 deg F (16 and 32 deg C) and relative humidity between 25 and 55 percent during the remainder of the construction period.
- B. Field Measurements: Where paneling is indicated to fit to other construction, verify dimensions of other construction by field measurements before fabrication and indicate measurements on Shop Drawings. Coordinate fabrication schedule with construction progress to avoid delaying the Work.
  - Locate concealed framing, blocking, and reinforcements that support paneling by field measurements before being enclosed and indicate measurements on Shop Drawings.

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C. Established Dimensions: Where paneling is indicated to fit to other construction, establish dimensions for areas where woodwork is to fit. Provide allowance for trimming at site, and coordinate construction to ensure that actual dimensions correspond to established dimensions.

#### 1.8 COORDINATION

A. Coordinate sizes and locations of framing, blocking, furring, reinforcements, and other related units of Work specified in other Sections to ensure that paneling can be installed as indicated.

#### PART 2 - PRODUCTS

#### 2.1 PANELING, GENERAL

- A. Quality Standard: Unless otherwise indicated, comply with the "Architectural Woodwork Standards (AWS)" for grades of flush wood paneling (wood-veneer wall surfacing) indicated for construction, finishes, installation, and other requirements.
  - 1. Provide labels and certificates from AWI certification program indicating that paneling, complies with requirements of grades specified.
  - 2. The cabinet millworker shall be the controller of wood flitches for all matching woodwork, doors, paneling, etc. Other fabricators shall obtain flitches form cabinet millworker.
  - 3. The Contract Documents contain selections chosen from options in the quality standard and additional requirements beyond those of the quality standard. Comply with those selections and requirements in addition to the quality standard.

#### 2.2 FLUSH WOOD VENEER PANELING

- A. Grade: Premium.
- B. Certified Wood: Wood and composite wood components of flush wood paneling shall be certified as "FSC Pure" or "FSC Mixed Credit" according to FSC STD-01-001, "FSC Principles and Criteria for Forest Stewardship," and FSC STD-40-004, "FSC Standard for Chain of Custody Certification."
- C. Wood Species and Cut: Clear or Grade A, Figured Walnut
  - 1. Dodge Veneers Inc. Flitch: Walnut, Fig Satin, Log #15091, FSC
- D. Matching of Adjacent Veneer Leaves: Book match.
- E. Matching within Panel Face: Center Balance match.
- F. Panel-Matching Method: Made-to-order, sequence-matched panels.
- G. Vertical Panel-Matching Method: Architectural end book match; veneer leaves are individually book matched from lower panels to upper panels.
- H. Panel Core Construction: Fire-retardant, medium-density fiberboard.
  - 1. Thickness: 3/4 inch (19 mm).
- I. Exposed Panel Edges: Inset solid-wood or wood-veneer matching faces.
- J. ¼" wide Panel Reveals: Veneered striping of same wood species and finish. Grain matching is not required.

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- K. Fire-Retardant-Treated Paneling: Panels shall consist of wood-veneer and fire-retardant particleboard or fire-retardant, medium-density fiberboard. Panels shall have a flame-spread index of 75 or less and a smoke-developed index of 450 or less per ASTM E 84 and be listed and labeled by a testing and inspecting agency acceptable to authorities having jurisdiction.
- L. Assemble panels by gluing and concealed fastening.

#### 2.3 MATERIALS

- A. Materials, General: Provide materials that comply with requirements of referenced quality standard for each quality grade specified unless otherwise indicated.
- B. Wood Moisture Content: 5 to 10 percent.
- C. Composite Wood Products: Provide materials that comply with requirements of referenced quality standard for each quality grade specified unless otherwise indicated.
  - 1. Recycled Content of Medium-Density Fiberboard and Particleboard: Postconsumer recycled content plus one-half of pre-consumer recycled content not less than 25 percent.
  - 2. Medium-Density Fiberboard: ANSI A208.2, Grade 140-MR30, made with binder containing no urea formaldehyde.
  - 3. Veneer-Faced Panel Products (Hardwood Plywood): HPVA HP-1, made with adhesive containing no urea formaldehyde.

# 2.4 FIRE-RETARDANT-TREATED MATERIALS

- A. Fire-Retardant-Treated Materials, General: Where fire-retardant-treated materials are indicated, use materials complying with requirements in this article, that are acceptable to authorities having jurisdiction, and with fire-test-response characteristics specified as determined by testing identical products per test method indicated by a qualified testing agency.
  - 1. Use treated materials that comply with requirements of referenced woodworking standard. Do not use materials that are warped, discolored, or otherwise defective.
  - 2. Use fire-retardant-treatment formulations that do not bleed through or otherwise adversely affect finishes. Do not use colorants to distinguish treated materials from untreated materials.
  - 3. Identify fire-retardant-treated materials with appropriate classification marking of qualified testing agency in the form of removable paper label or imprint on surfaces that will be concealed from view after installation.
- B. Fire-Retardant-Treated Lumber and Plywood: Products with a flame-spread index of 25 or less when tested according to ASTM E 84, with no evidence of significant progressive combustion when the test is extended an additional 20 minutes, and with the flame front not extending more than 10.5 feet (3.2 m) beyond the centerline of the burners at any time during the test.
  - 1. Kiln dry lumber and plywood after treatment to a maximum moisture content of 19 and 15 percent, respectively.
  - 2. For items indicated to receive a stained or natural finish, use organic resin chemical formulation.
  - 3. Mill lumber before treatment and implement special procedures during treatment and drying processes that prevent lumber from warping and

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developing discolorations from drying sticks or other causes, marring, and other defects affecting appearance of treated woodwork.

- C. Fire-Retardant Particleboard: Panels complying with the following requirements, made from softwood particles and fire-retardant chemicals mixed together at time of panel manufacture to achieve flame-spread index of 25 or less and smokedeveloped index of 25 or less per ASTM E 84.
  - 1. For panels 3/4 inch thick and less, comply with ANSI A208.1 for Grade M-2 except for the following minimum properties: modulus of rupture, 1600 psi; modulus of elasticity, 300,000 psi; internal bond, 80 psi; and screw-holding capacity on face and edge, 250 and 225 lbf, respectively.
  - 2. For panels 13/16 to 1-1/4 inches thick, comply with ANSI A208.1 for Grade M-1 except for the following minimum properties: modulus of rupture, 1300 psi; modulus of elasticity, 250,000 psi; linear expansion, 0.50 percent; and screw-holding capacity on face and edge, 250 and 175 lbf, respectively.
- D. Fire-Retardant Fiberboard: Medium-density fiberboard panels complying with ANSI A208.2, made from softwood fibers, synthetic resins, and fire-retardant chemicals mixed together at time of panel manufacture to achieve flame-spread index of 25 or less and smoke-developed index of 200 or less per ASTM E 84.
  - 1. Products: Subject to compliance with requirements, provide one of the following:
    - a. Panel Source International, Inc., McKillican America, Inc.; Pyroblock Platinum.
    - b. SierraPine; Medite FR.

## 2.5 INSTALLATION MATERIALS

- A. Furring, Blocking, Shims, and Hanging Strips: Fire-retardant-treated softwood lumber, kiln dried to less than 15 percent moisture content.
- B. Anchors: Select material, type, size, and finish required for each substrate for secure anchorage. Provide metal expansion sleeves or expansion bolts for post-installed anchors. Use nonferrous-metal or hot-dip galvanized anchors and inserts at inside face of exterior walls.
- C. Panel "Z" Clips: Mill finish aluminum panel clips designed as two sections to wedge together for securely locking panels in place.
  - 1. Offset from wall: 3/16-inch.
  - 2. Panel drop (lift-off): 3/8-inch.
  - 3. Acceptable manufactures:
    - a. Monarch Metal Fabrications.
    - b. Mustang Metals.
    - c. New York Metals.
    - d. Orange Aluminum.
- D. VOC Limits for Installation Adhesives: Use products that comply with the following limits for VOC content when calculated according to 40 CFR 59, Subpart D (EPA Method 24):
  - 1. Wood Glues: 30 g/L.
  - 2. Multipurpose Construction Adhesives: 70 g/L.
  - 3. Contact Adhesive: 80 g/L.
  - 4. Special-Purpose Contact Adhesive (contact adhesive that is used to bond melamine covered board, metal, unsupported vinyl, rubber, or wood veneer 1/16 inch (1.6 mm) or less in thickness to any surface): 250 g/L.

# 2.6 FABRICATION

- A. Sand fire-retardant-treated wood lightly to remove raised grain on exposed surfaces before fabrication.
- B. Arrange paneling in shop or other suitable space in proposed sequence for examination by Architect. Mark units with temporary sequence numbers to indicate position in proposed layout.
  - 1. Lay out one elevation at a time if approved by Architect.
  - 2. Notify Architect seven days in advance of the date and time when layout will be available for viewing.
  - 3. Provide lighting of similar type and level as that of final installation for viewing layout unless otherwise approved by Architect.
  - 4. Rearrange paneling as directed by Architect until layout is approved.
  - 5. Do not trim end units and other non-modular-size units to less than modular size until after Architect's approval of layout. Indicate trimming by masking edges of units with non-marking material.
  - 6. Obtain Architect's approval of layout before start of assembly. Mark units and Shop Drawings with assembly sequence numbers based on approved layout.
- C. Complete fabrication, including assembly and finishing, to maximum extent possible, before shipment to Project site. Disassemble components only as necessary for shipment and installation. Where necessary for fitting at site, provide ample allowance for scribing, trimming, and fitting.
- D. Shop cut openings, to maximum extent possible, to receive hardware, appliances, plumbing fixtures, electrical work, and similar items. Locate openings accurately and use templates or roughing-in diagrams to produce accurately sized and shaped openings. Sand edges of cutouts to remove splinters and burrs.

# 2.7 SHOP FINISHING

- A. General: Finish paneling at fabrication shop as specified in this Section. Defer only final touchup, cleaning, and polishing until after installation.
- B. Preparation for Finishing: Comply with referenced quality standard for sanding, filling countersunk fasteners, sealing concealed surfaces, and similar preparations for finishing paneling, as applicable to each unit of work.
  - Back priming: Apply two coats of sealer or primer, compatible with finish coats, to concealed surfaces of paneling. Concealed surfaces of plasticlaminate-clad paneling do not require back priming when surfaced with plastic laminate.

## C. Transparent Finish:

- 1. Finish: System 12, water-based polyurethane.
- 2. Wash Coat for Closed-Grain Woods: Apply wash-coat sealer to woodwork made from closed-grain wood before staining and finishing.
- 3. Staining: Match approved sample for color.
- 4. Open Finish for Open-Grain Woods: Do not apply filler to open-grain woods.
- 5. Sheen: Satin, 31-45 gloss units measured on 60-degree gloss meter per ASTM D 523.

# PART 3 - EXECUTION

#### 3.1 PREPARATION

- A. Before installation, condition paneling to average prevailing humidity conditions in installation areas.
- B. Before installing paneling, examine shop-fabricated work for completion and complete work as required, including removal of packing and back priming.

# 3.2 INSTALLATION

- A. Grade: Install paneling to comply with same grade as paneling to be installed.
- B. Install paneling level, plumb, true, and straight with no distortions. Shim as required with concealed shims. Install level and plumb to a tolerance of 1/8 inch in 96 inches (3 mm in 2400 mm). Install with no more than 1/16 inch in 96-inch (1.6 mm in 2400-mm) vertical cup or bow and 1/8 inch in 96-inch (3 mm in 2400 mm) horizontal variation from a true plane.
  - 1. For flush paneling with revealed joints, install with variations in reveal width, alignment of top and bottom edges, and flushness between adjacent panels not exceeding 1/32 inch (0.8 mm).
  - 2. Verify panels are install in proper /sequence order to conform to specified veneer matching.
- C. Complete finishing work specified in this Section to extent not completed at shop or before installation of paneling. Fill nail holes with matching filler where exposed.
  - 1. Apply specified finish coats, including stains and paste fillers if any, to exposed surfaces where only sealer/prime coats are applied in shop.

#### 3.3 ADJUSTING AND CLEANING

- A. Repair damaged and defective paneling, where possible, to eliminate defects; where not possible to repair, replace paneling. Adjust for uniform appearance.
- B. Clean paneling on exposed surfaces. Touch up shop-applied finishes to restore damaged or soiled areas.

**END OF SECTION**