

SECTION 084410

GLAZED ALUMINUM CURTAIN WALLS

PART 1 - GENERAL

1.1 GENERAL PROVISIONS

- A. Attention is directed to the CONTRACT AND GENERAL CONDITIONS and all Sections within DIVISION 01 - GENERAL REQUIREMENTS which are hereby made a part of this Section of the Specifications.

1.2 DESCRIPTION OF WORK

- A. Work Included: Provide labor, materials and equipment necessary to complete the work of this Section, including but not limited to the following:
  - 1. Glazed aluminum-framed curtain wall systems.
- B. Sustainable Design Intent: Refer to Section 018113 - SUSTAINABLE DESIGN REQUIREMENTS for certification level and certification requirements.
- C. Related Work: The following items are not included in this Section and are specified under the designated Sections:
  - 1. Section 078440 - FIRE-RESISTIVE JOINT SYSTEMS for perimeter fire-containment systems (safing insulation) field installed with glazed aluminum curtain wall systems.
  - 2. Section 079200 - JOINT SEALANTS for installation of joint sealants installed with glazed aluminum curtain wall systems and for sealants to the extent not specified in this Section.
  - 3. Section 084110 - ALUMINUM-FRAMED ENTRANCES AND STOREFRONTS for entrance and storefront systems.
  - 4. Section 085110 - ALUMINUM WINDOWS for windows installed with glazed aluminum curtain wall systems.
  - 5. Section 088000 - GLAZING for glass and glazing of aluminum curtain wall systems.

1.3 PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS

- A. Delegated Design: Design glazed curtain wall, including comprehensive engineering analysis by a qualified professional engineer, using performance requirements and design criteria indicated.
- B. General: Provide glazed aluminum curtain wall systems, including anchorage, capable of withstanding, without failure, the effects of the following:
  - 1. Structural loads.
  - 2. Thermal movements.
  - 3. Movements of supporting structure indicated on Drawings including, but not limited to, story drift, twist, column shortening, long-term creep, and deflection from uniformly distributed and concentrated live loads.
  - 4. Dimensional tolerances of building frame and other adjacent construction.
  - 5. Failure includes the following:
    - a. Deflection exceeding specified limits.

- b. Thermal stresses transferred to building structure.
  - c. Framing members transferring stresses, including those caused by thermal and structural movements, to glazing.
  - d. Noise or vibration created by wind and thermal and structural movements.
  - e. Loosening or weakening of fasteners, attachments, and other components.
  - f. Sealant failure.
- C. Structural Loads: Wind and seismic loads as indicated on the Structural Drawings, but not less than that required by Code.
- D. Structural-Test Performance: Provide glazed aluminum curtain wall systems tested according to ASTM E 330 as follows:
1. When tested at positive and negative wind-load design pressures, systems do not evidence deflection exceeding specified limits.
  2. When tested at 150 percent of positive and negative wind-load design pressures, systems, including anchorage, do not evidence material failures, structural distress, and permanent deformation of main framing members exceeding 0.2 percent of span.
  3. Test Duration: As required by design wind velocity but not less than 10 seconds.
- E. Deflection of Framing Members:
1. Deflection Normal to Wall Plane: Limited to 1/175 of clear span for spans up to 13 feet 6 inches, and to 1/240 of clear span plus 1/4 inch for spans greater than 13 feet 6 inches or an amount that restricts edge deflection of individual glazing lites to 3/4 inch, whichever is less.
  2. Deflection Parallel to Glazing Plane: Limited to 1/360 of clear span or 1/8 inch, whichever is smaller, amount not exceeding that which reduces glazing bite to less than 75 percent of design dimension and which reduces edge clearance between framing members and glazing or other fixed components to less than 1/8 inch.
- F. Story Drift: Provide glazed aluminum curtain wall systems that accommodate design displacement of adjacent stories indicated.
1. Design Displacement: As indicated on Drawings.
  2. Test Performance: No glass breakage, anchor failures, or structural damage when tested according to AAMA 501.4.
- G. Thermal Movements: Provide glazed aluminum curtain wall systems that allow for thermal movements resulting from the following maximum change (range) in ambient and surface temperatures. Base engineering calculation on surface temperatures of materials due to both solar heat gain and nighttime-sky heat loss.
1. Temperature Change (Range): 120 deg F, ambient; 180 deg F, material surfaces.
- H. Air Infiltration: Provide glazed aluminum curtain wall systems with maximum air leakage of 0.06 cfm/sq. ft. of fixed wall area when tested according to ASTM E 283 at a minimum static-air-pressure differential of 6.24 lbf/sq. ft.
- I. Water Penetration Under Static Pressure: Provide aluminum glazed curtain wall systems that do not evidence water penetration when tested according to ASTM E 331 at a minimum differential static pressure of 20 percent of positive design wind load, but not less than 12 lbf/sq. ft.
1. Maximum Water Leakage: No uncontrolled water penetrating systems or appearing on

systems' normally exposed interior surfaces from sources other than condensation. Water controlled by flashing and gutters that is drained to exterior and cannot damage adjacent materials or finishes is not considered water leakage.

- J. Condensation Resistance: Provide glazed aluminum curtain wall systems with condensation-resistance factor (CRF) of not less than 75 when tested according to AAMA 1503.
- K. Solar Heat-Gain Coefficient: Provide units with a whole-unit SHGC maximum as required by Code, determined according to NFRC 200 procedures. Submit proof of compliance with submittals as specified.
- L. Thermal Transmittance: Provide window units that have a U-value as required by Code rated in BTU/hour/sq. ft./degrees F at 15-mph exterior wind velocity, when tested in accordance with AAMA 1503.1. Test unit to be 4 ft. x 6 ft. Submit proof of compliance with submittals as specified.

#### 1.4 SUBMITTALS

- A. Product Data: For each type of product indicated.
  - 1. Include construction details, material descriptions, dimensions of individual components and profiles, and finishes.
- B. LEED Submittals:
  - 1. Building Product Disclosure and Optimization, Material Ingredients:
    - a. Option 1, Material Ingredient Reporting: For factory-applied metal finishes, submit Declare product labels.
- C. Shop Drawings: Prepared by or under the supervision of a qualified professional engineer detailing fabrication and assembly of glazed aluminum curtain wall systems.
  - 1. Include structural analysis of story drift and deflection from anticipated live loads, and determination whether head receptors are required.
  - 2. Include weatherproofing, drainage and anchorage provisions.
  - 3. Include details, materials, adjacent and adjacent construction. Include isometric views of complex intersections.
- D. Delegated-Design Submittal: For glazed curtain wall system indicated to comply with performance requirements and design criteria, including analysis data signed and sealed by the qualified professional engineer responsible for their preparation.
- E. Samples for Verification: For each type of exposed finish required, in manufacturer's standard sizes.
- F. Fabrication Sample: Of each vertical-to-horizontal intersection of systems, made from 12-inch lengths of full-size components and showing details of the following:
  - 1. Joinery.
  - 2. Anchorage.
  - 3. Expansion provisions.
  - 4. Glazing.
  - 5. Flashing and drainage.

- G. Performance Reports: Based on systems, components and glazing methods proposed for use on this Project, proof that units as glazed for this Project meet or exceed Code requirements for the following:
    - 1. U-value.
    - 2. Solar heat-gain coefficient.
  - H. Compatibility Test Reports: Test reports by glazing and/or sealant manufacturers that show chemical compatibility and adhesion (if required) between all non-aluminum components including, but not limited, to:
    - 1. Gaskets
    - 2. Insulated glass edge seals
    - 3. Setting blocks
    - 4. Anti-walk blocks
    - 5. End dams
    - 6. Sealants
    - 7. Silicone sheet membrane flashing
  - I. Welding certificates.
  - J. Qualification data for Installer.
  - K. Field quality-control test reports.
  - L. Warranties: Special warranties specified in this Section.
- 1.5 QUALITY ASSURANCE
- A. Engineering Responsibility: Preparation of Shop Drawings, design calculations, and other structural data by a qualified professional engineer.
  - B. Professional Engineer Qualifications: A professional engineer who is legally qualified to practice in the state the project is located, and who is experienced in providing engineering services of the kind indicated. Engineering services are defined as those performed for installations of glazed curtain wall system that are similar to those indicated for this Project in material, design, and extent.
  - C. Installer Qualifications: Capable of assuming engineering responsibility and performing Work of this Section and who is acceptable to manufacturer.
  - D. Product Options: Information on Drawings and in Specifications establishes requirements for systems' aesthetic effects and performance characteristics. Aesthetic effects are indicated by dimensions, arrangements, alignment, and profiles of components and assemblies as they relate to sightlines, to one another, and to adjoining construction. Performance characteristics are indicated by criteria subject to verification by one or more methods including preconstruction testing, field-testing, and in-service performance.
  - E. Welding: Qualify procedures and personnel according to AWS D1.2, "Structural Welding Code--Aluminum."
  - F. Installation Sequence Conference: Conduct conference at Project site to review sequence of installation of curtain wall systems, including installation of joint sealants, flashing, and glass. Conference shall be attended by all installers of applicable components.

- G. Mockups: Build mockups to demonstrate aesthetic effects and set quality standards for fabrication and installation.
1. Build mockup of typical wall area as indicated on Drawings.
  2. Build mockup in sequence recommended by manufacturer including installation of joint sealants, flashing and glass.
  3. The construction of the mockup shall be observed by all tradesmen constructing the curtain wall system.
- H. Preinstallation Conference: Conduct conference at Project site to comply with requirements in Division 01. Review methods and procedures related to glazed aluminum curtain wall systems including, but not limited to, the following:
1. Review structural load limitations.
  2. Review installation sequence, including installation of sealants, flashing, and glass.
  3. Review and finalize construction schedule and verify availability of materials, Installer's personnel, equipment, and facilities needed to make progress and avoid delays.
  4. Review required testing, inspecting, and certifying procedures.

#### 1.6 PROJECT CONDITIONS

- A. Field Measurements: Verify actual locations of structural supports for glazed aluminum curtain wall systems by field measurements before fabrication and indicate measurements on Shop Drawings.
1. Established Dimensions: Where field measurements cannot be made without delaying the Work, establish dimensions and proceed with fabricating glazed aluminum curtain wall systems without field measurements. Coordinate construction to ensure that actual dimensions correspond to established dimensions.

#### 1.7 WARRANTY

- A. Special Assembly Warranty: Manufacturer's standard form in which manufacturer agrees to repair or replace components of glazed aluminum curtain wall systems that do not comply with requirements or that deteriorate as defined in this Section within specified warranty period.
1. Failures include, but are not limited to, the following:
    - a. Structural failures including, but not limited to, excessive deflection.
    - b. Noise or vibration caused by thermal movements.
    - c. Deterioration of metals and other materials beyond normal weathering.
    - d. Water leakage.
    - e. Failure of operating components to function normally.
  2. Warranty Period: Three years from date of Substantial Completion.
- B. Special Finish Warranty: Manufacturer's standard form in which manufacturer agrees to repair or replace components on which finishes fail within specified warranty period. Warranty does not include normal weathering.
1. Warranty Period: Ten years from date of Substantial Completion.

#### 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. Curtain Wall - Pressure Plate System:
    - a. EFCO Corporation, System 5600X, Basis of Design.
    - b. Kawneer North America, 1600UT System 1.
    - c. Oldcastle BuildingEnvelope, Reliance-TC.
    - d. Wausau, Superwall.
    - e. YKK AP America Inc., YCW-750 XTP.

## 2.2 FRAMING SYSTEMS

- A. Aluminum: Alloy and temper recommended by manufacturer for type of use and finish indicated.
1. Sheet and Plate: ASTM B 209
  2. Extruded Bars, Rods, Shapes, and Tubes: ASTM B 221
  3. Extruded Structural Pipe and Tubes: ASTM B 429.
- B. Steel Reinforcement: With manufacturer's standard corrosion-resistant primer complying with SSPC-PS Guide No. 12.00 applied immediately after surface preparation and pretreatment. Select surface preparation methods according to recommendations in SSPC-SP COM and prepare surfaces according to applicable SSPC standard.
1. Structural Shapes, Plates, and Bars: ASTM A 36/A 36M.
  2. Cold-Rolled Sheet and Strip: ASTM A 611.
  3. Hot-Rolled Sheet and Strip: ASTM A 570/A 570M.
- C. Brackets and Reinforcements: Manufacturer's standard high-strength aluminum with nonstaining, nonferrous shims for aligning system components.
- D. Fasteners and Accessories: Manufacturer's standard corrosion-resistant, nonstaining, nonbleeding fasteners and accessories compatible with adjacent materials.
1. Where fasteners are subject to loosening or turn out from thermal and structural movements, wind loads, or vibration, use self-locking devices.
  2. Reinforce members as required to receive fastener threads.
  3. Where acceptable, use exposed fasteners with countersunk Phillips screw heads.
  4. Finish exposed portions to match framing system.
  5. At movement joints, use slip-joint linings, spacers, and sleeves of material and type recommended by manufacturer.
- E. Anchors: Three-way adjustable anchors that accommodate fabrication and installation tolerances in material and finish compatible with adjoining materials and recommended by manufacturer.
1. Concrete and Masonry Inserts: Hot-dip galvanized cast-iron, malleable-iron, or steel inserts complying with ASTM A 123/A 123M or ASTM A 153/A 153M requirements.
- F. Concealed Flashing: Manufacturer's standard corrosion-resistant, nonstaining, nonbleeding flashing compatible with adjacent materials.
- G. Joint Sealants: Provide manufacturer recommended sealants for seams and joints within

aluminum framing system.

## 2.3 GLAZING SYSTEMS

- A. Glazing: As specified in Section 088000 - GLAZING.
- B. Glazing Gaskets: Manufacturer's standard compression types, replaceable, molded or extruded, that maintain uniform pressure and watertight seal.
- C. Spacers and Setting Blocks: Manufacturer's standard elastomeric types.

## 2.4 INSULATED SPANDREL PANELS

- A. Insulated Spandrel Panels: Laminated, metal-faced flat panels with no deviations in plane exceeding 0.8 percent of panel dimension in width or length.
  - 1. Overall Panel Thickness: 1 inch.
  - 2. Exterior and Interior Skin: Aluminum.
    - a. Thickness: Manufacturer's standard for finish and texture indicated.
    - b. Finish: Matching framing system.
    - c. Texture: Smooth.
    - d. Backing Sheet: Manufacturer's standard.
    - e. Thermal Insulation Core: Manufacturer's standard.

## 2.5 ACCESSORY MATERIALS

- A. Perimeter Fire-Containment Systems (Safing Insulation): Specified in Section 078440 - FIRE-RESISTANT JOINT SYSTEMS.
- B. Insulating Materials: Specified in Section 072100 - THERMAL INSULATION.
- C. Bituminous Paint: Cold-applied asphalt-mastic paint complying with SSPC-Paint 12 requirements except containing no asbestos, formulated for 30-mil thickness per coat.
- D. Silicone Membrane: Pre-cured silicone sheet that is physically and chemically compatible with the approved silicone sealant for the curtain wall system.
- E. Foam Tape: Foam glazing tape with adhesive on one side. Select the thickness and width to provide an adequate air and water seal and to provide adequate clamping pressure to silicone flashing.

## 2.6 FABRICATION

- A. Form aluminum shapes before finishing.
- B. Fabricate components that, when assembled, have the following characteristics:
  - 1. Sharp profiles, straight and free of defects or deformations.
  - 2. Accurately fitted joints with ends coped or mitered.
  - 3. Internal guttering systems or other means to drain water passing joints, condensation occurring within framing members, and moisture migrating within the system to exterior.
  - 4. Physical and thermal isolation of glazing from framing members.
  - 5. Accommodations for thermal and mechanical movements of glazing and framing to prevent

glazing-to-glazing contact and to maintain required glazing edge clearances.

- C. Weld in concealed locations to greatest extent possible to minimize distortion or discoloration of finish. Remove weld spatter and welding oxides from exposed surfaces by descaling or grinding.
- D. After fabrication, clearly mark components to identify their locations in Project according to Shop Drawings.

## 2.7 ALUMINUM FINISHES

- A. General: Comply with NAAMM's "Metal Finishes Manual for Architectural and Metal Products" for recommendations for applying and designating finishes.
- B. Finish designations prefixed by AA comply with the system established by the Aluminum Association for designating aluminum finishes.
- C. Clear Anodic Finish: AAMA 611, AA-M12C22A41, Class I, 0.018 mm or thicker.

## PART 3 - EXECUTION

### 3.1 EXAMINATION

- A. Examine areas, with Installer present, for compliance with requirements for installation tolerances and other conditions affecting performance of work.
  - 1. Proceed with installation only after unsatisfactory conditions have been corrected.

### 3.2 INSTALLATION

- A. General:
  - 1. Comply with manufacturer's written instructions.
  - 2. Do not install damaged components.
  - 3. Fit joints to produce hairline joints free of burrs and distortion.
  - 4. Rigidly secure nonmovement joints.
  - 5. Install anchors with separators and isolators to prevent metal corrosion and electrolytic deterioration and to prevent impeding movement of moving joints.
  - 6. Seal joints watertight, unless otherwise indicated.
- B. Connecting and Sealing to Adjacent Enclosure Systems:
  - 1. At locations where the curtain wall will be installed adjacent to back vented and drained rain screen wall systems, connect the curtain wall to the water-resistive barrier of the adjacent wall system with silicone membrane flashing.
  - 2. Seal and clamp the silicone membrane into the curtain wall glazing pocket.
    - a. Use a sealant that is compatible with the silicone membrane and the silicone in the joints of the curtain wall system.
    - b. Use an L-shaped pressure bar with applied foam tape to clamp the silicone membrane to the curtain wall mullion.
  - 3. Notch the stem on vertical mullions as needed to install flashing at the tops and bottoms of the curtain wall. Flashing shall be continuously sealed and clamped into the curtain wall



- glazing pocket and sealed to adjacent air barrier or enclosure system as indicated on the Drawings. Install similar flashing at the jambs of the curtain wall to provide continuous perimeter flashing.
4. At locations where the curtain wall will be installed adjacent to roofing systems connect the curtain wall to the roofing vapor barrier and the roof membrane. The roofing vapor barrier may be adhered directly to the inboard side of the curtain wall. Provide a metal backpan if needed to allow for this connection. Connect the roofing membrane to the curtain wall by transitioning the roof membrane to a silicone sheet membrane.
    - a. Provide stainless steel sheet or foil-faced membrane as needed to transition between the roofing membrane and the silicone sheet.
    - b. Seal and clamp the silicone sheet into the curtain wall as described above.
- C. Metal Protection:
1. Where aluminum will contact dissimilar metals, protect against galvanic action by painting contact surfaces with primer or by applying sealant or tape or installing nonconductive spacers as recommended by manufacturer for this purpose.
  2. Where aluminum will contact concrete or masonry, protect against corrosion by painting contact surfaces with bituminous paint.
- D. Install components to drain water passing joints, condensation occurring within framing members, and moisture migrating within the system to exterior.
- E. Install components plumb and true in alignment with established lines and grades.
- F. Coordinate with glazing and installation of glazing which is specified in Section 088000 - GLAZING.
- G. Coordinate with sealants and installation of perimeter sealants which is specified in Section 079200 - JOINT SEALANTS.
- H. Coordinate with insulation and installation of insulation which is specified in Section 072100 - THERMAL INSULATION.
- I. Coordinate with materials and installation for perimeter fire-containment systems (safing insulation) which is specified in Section 078440 - FIRE-RESISTIVE JOINT SYSTEMS.
- J. Erection Tolerances: Install glazed aluminum curtain wall systems to comply with the following maximum tolerances:
1. Plumb: 1/8 inch in 10 feet ; 1/4 inch in 40 feet.
  2. Level: 1/8 inch in 20 feet ; 1/4 inch in 40 feet.
  3. Alignment:
    - a. Where surfaces abut in line or are separated by reveal or protruding element up to 1/2 inch wide, limit offset from true alignment to 1/16 inch.
    - b. Where surfaces are separated by reveal or protruding element from 1/2 to 1 inch wide, limit offset from true alignment to 1/8 inch.
    - c. Where surfaces are separated by reveal or protruding element of 1 inch wide or greater, limit offset from true alignment to 1/4 inch.
  4. Location: Limit variation from plane to 1/8 inch in 12 feet; 1/2 inch over total length.

### 3.3 FIELD QUALITY CONTROL

- A. Testing Agency: Owner will engage a qualified independent testing and inspecting agency to perform field tests and inspections and prepare test reports.
- B. Testing Services: Testing and inspecting of representative areas to determine compliance of installed system with specified requirements shall take place as follows and in successive stages as indicated on Drawings. Do not proceed with installation of the next area until test results for previously completed areas show compliance with requirements.
  - 1. Air Infiltration: Areas shall be tested for air leakage of 1.5 times the rate specified under Part 1 "Performance Requirements" Article, but not more than 0.09 cfm/sq. ft. of fixed wall area when tested according to ASTM E 783 at a minimum static-air-pressure differential of 6.24 lbf/sq. ft.
  - 2. Water Penetration: Areas shall be tested according to ASTM E 1105 at minimum cyclic static-air-pressure difference of 0.67 times the pressure specified under Part 1 "Performance Requirements" Article, but not less than 6.24 lbf/sq. ft. and shall not evidence water penetration.
  - 3. Water Spray Test: After the installation of minimum area of 75-feet-by-2-story glazed aluminum curtain wall system has been completed but before installation of interior finishes has begun, a 2-bay area of system designated by Architect shall be tested according to AAMA 501.2 and shall not evidence water penetration.
- C. Repair or remove work where test results and inspections indicate that it does not comply with specified requirements.
- D. Additional testing and inspecting, at Contractor's expense, will be performed to determine compliance of replaced or additional work with specified requirements.

END OF SECTION