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Standard Specification for Sampling, Inspection, Rejection, Certification, Packaging, Marking, Shipping, Handling, and Storage of Gypsum Panel Products¹

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1. Scope

1.1 This specification covers sampling; inspection; rejection; certification; packaging and marking; and shipping, handling, and storage of gypsum panel products.

2. Sampling

- 2.1When specified by the purchase agreement, samples of gypsum panel products shall be taken at the place of manufacture or at the destination. If the samples are taken at the destination, such samples shall be taken within 24 h of the receipt of the material.
- 2.2At least 0.25% of the number of gypsum panel products in a shipment, but not less than three gypsum panel products, shall be so selected as to be representative of the shipment and shall constitute a sample for the purpose of tests by the purchaser or user. Referenced Documents
 - 2.1 ASTM Standards:²
 - C11 Terminology Relating to Gypsum and Related Building Materials and Systems
 - C1396/C1396M Specification for Gypsum Board
 - 2.2 ISO Standards:³
 - ISO 3166-1 Codes for the representation of names of countries and their subdivisions Part 1: Country codes

3. Inspection

- 3.Hnspection of the gypsum panel products shall be agreed upon between the purchaser and the producer or supplier as part of the purchase agreement. Terminology
 - 3.1 Definitions—Definitions shall be in accordance with Terminology C11.

4. Rejection

- 4.1Rejection of gypsum panel products that fails to conform to the requirements of the specification shall be reported to the producer or supplier promptly and in writing. The notice of rejection shall contain a statement documenting how the gypsum panel products has failed to conform to the requirements of the specification. Sampling
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5. Certification

- 5.1When specified in the purchase agreement, a producer's or supplier's report shall be furnished at the time of shipment certifying that the product is in compliance with the ASTM specification referencing this specification. Inspection
- 5.1 Inspection of the gypsum panel products shall be agreed upon between the purchaser and the producer or supplier as part of the purchase agreement.

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² For referenced ASTM standards, visit the ASTM website, www.astm.org, or contact ASTM Customer Service at service@astm.org. For *Annual Book of ASTM Standards* volume information, refer to the standard's Document Summary page on the ASTM website.

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6. Packaging and Marking

- 6.1Unless otherwise specified in the purchase agreement, each gypsum panel product or package shall have legibly marked thereon the following: the thickness, the name of the producer or supplier, the brand name, if any, and the ASTM specification for the product. Rejection
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7. Shipping, Handling, and Storage

- 7.1Gypsum panel products shall be shipped so as to be kept dry.
- 7.2Gypsum panel products shall be stored so as to be kept dry, preferably inside a building. Gypsum panel products shall be neatly stacked flat with care taken to prevent sagging or damage to edges, ends, and surfaces.
- 7.3Where necessary to store gypsum panel products outside, it shall be stacked flat, off the ground, supported on a level platform, and fully protected from weather and direct sunlight exposure. Certification
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8. Packaging and Marking

- 8.1 Each gypsum panel product or package shall have legibly marked thereon the following: the thickness, the name of the producer or supplier, the brand name, if any, and the ASTM specification for the product.
- 8.2 In addition to the marking described in 8.1, gypsum board manufactured to Specification C1396/C1396M shall be marked as described in Annex A1.
- 8.3 Single, unbound panels of gypsum board manufactured to Specification C1396/C1396M that are packaged in multi-panel units shall be permitted to be marked as a palletized packaging unit. These units are typically packaged to meet specific contractual requirements and as such the marking requirements of 8.1 and 8.2 are not applicable.

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