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Standard Specification for Glass Mat Gypsum Substrate for Use as Sheathing¹

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1. Scope*

1.1 This specification covers glass mat gypsum substrate, which is designed to be used as an exterior substrate for a weather barrier.

1.2 The values stated in either SI units or inch-pound units are to be regarded separately as standard. Within the text, the SI units are shown in brackets. The values stated in each system may not be exact equivalents; therefore, each system shall be used independently of the other. Combining values from the two systems may result in non-conformance with the standard.

1.3 The text of this standard references notes and footnotes that provide explanatory material. These notes and footnotes (excluding those in tables and figures) shall not be considered as requirements of the standard.

2. Referenced Documents

2.1 *ASTM Standards*:²

[C11 Terminology Relating to Gypsum and Related Building Materials and Systems](#)

[C22 Specification for Gypsum](#)

[C473 Test Methods for Physical Testing of Gypsum Panel Products](#)

[C645 Specification for Nonstructural Steel Framing Members](#)

[C1264 Specification for Sampling, Inspection, Rejection, Certification, Packaging, Marking, Shipping, Handling, and Storage of Gypsum Panel Products](#)

[E119 Test Methods for Fire Tests of Building Construction and Materials](#)

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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.

3. Terminology

3.1 Definitions shall be in accordance with Terminology C11.

3.2 *Definitions of Terms Specific to This Standard:*

3.2.1 *glass mat, n*—a mat of glass fibers with or without a binder.

3.2.2 *edge, n*—the bound edge as manufactured.

3.2.3 *weather barrier, n*—a material that prevents the passage of rain, sleet and snow.

4. Materials and Manufacture

4.1 *Glass Mat Gypsum Substrate* shall consist of a noncombustible water-resistant core, essentially gypsum complying with Specification C22, surfaced with glass mat partially, or completely embedded in the core.

4.2 *Glass Mat Gypsum Substrate, type X (special fire-resistant)* designates glass mat gypsum substrate complying with this specification that provide not less than 1-h fire resistance rating for substrate $\frac{5}{8}$ in. [15.9 mm] thick or $\frac{3}{4}$ -h fire resistance rating for substrate $\frac{1}{2}$ in. [12.7 mm] thick, applied parallel with and on each side of load bearing 2 by 4 wood studs spaced 16 in. [406 mm] on center with 6d coated nails, 1 $\frac{7}{8}$ in. [48 mm] long, 0.0915 in. [2.3 mm] diameter shank, $\frac{1}{4}$ in. [6.4 mm] diameter heads, spaced 7 in. [178 mm] on center with glass mat gypsum substrate joints staggered 16 in. [406 mm] on each side of the partition and tested in accordance with Test Methods E119.

NOTE 1—Consult manufacturers for independent test data on assembly details and fire resistance ratings for other types of construction. See fire test reports or listings from recognized fire testing laboratories for assembly particulars, materials, and ratings.

5. Physical Properties

5.1 Specimens shall be taken from the samples obtained in accordance with Specification C1264.

5.2 Specimens shall be tested in accordance with Methods C473.

5.2.1 *Flexural Strength*—The specimens shall be tested face up and face down. The average breaking load shall not be less than the following:

*A Summary of Changes section appears at the end of this standard