

# Mid-Rise Engineering Considerations for Engineered Wood Products

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# Course Description

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Wood products take on a seemingly infinite variety of shapes and forms. While many designers are familiar with engineered wood products such as I-joists and structural composite lumber, it is important to understand the structural requirements associated with each in order to achieve proper performance—especially in mid-rise applications. With an emphasis on products used in commercial and multi-family buildings, this presentation will cover product overview, dimensional stability, lateral design, and fire resistance.

# Learning Objectives

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1. Product knowledge for designing wood I-Joists and structural composite lumber (SCL).
2. Dimension stability in regards to moisture content changes and the differences between solid wood products.
3. Lateral design, including information on I-joist diaphragm capacities and the detailing of rim board connections.
4. Fire resistance/Fire barrier design, including wood I-joist assembly requirements and SCL/glulam char rate equivalency to solid wood.

# What is EWP?



# Engineered Wood Products (EWP)

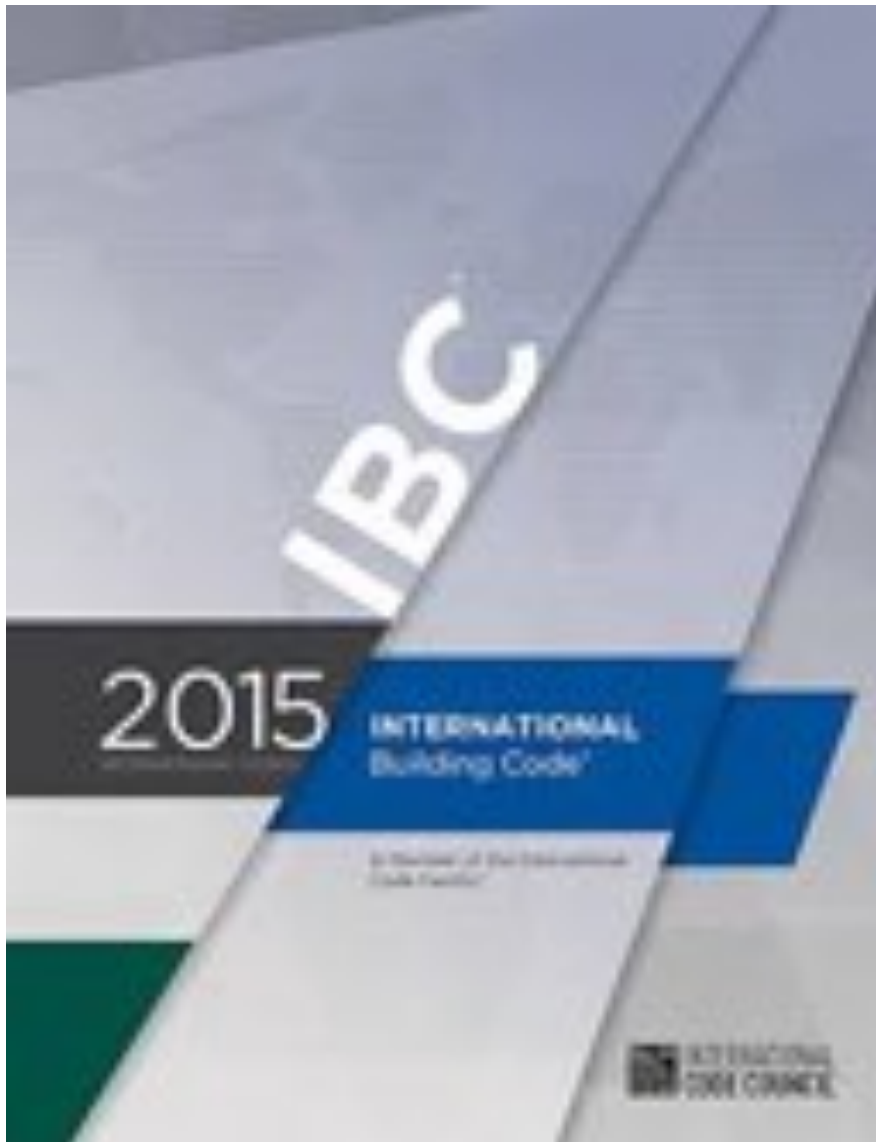
Prefabricated Wood I-Joists

Structural Composite Lumber (SCL)

- Laminated Veneer Lumber (LVL)
- Parallel Strand Lumber (PSL)
- Laminated Strand Lumber (LSL)



# EWP Code Acceptance



**104.11 Alternative materials, design and methods of construction and equipment.** The provisions of this code are not intended to prevent the installation of any material or to prohibit any design or method of construction not specifically prescribed by this code, provided that any such alternative has been approved. An alternative material, design or method of construction shall be approved where the building official finds that the proposed design is satisfactory and complies with the intent of the provisions of this code, and that the material, method or work offered is, for the purpose intended, at least the equivalent of that prescribed in this code in quality, strength, effectiveness, fire resistance, durability and safety.

**104.11.1 Research reports.** Supporting data, where necessary to assist in the approval of materials or assemblies not specifically provided for in this code, shall consist of valid research reports from approved sources.

**2303.1.2 Prefabricated wood I-joists.** Structural capacities and design provisions for prefabricated wood I-joists shall be established and monitored in accordance with **ASTM D 5055.**

**2303.1.9 Structural composite lumber.** Structural capacities for structural composite lumber shall be established and monitored in accordance with **ASTM D 5456.**

# Wood I-Joists

- Concept originated at U.S. Forest Products Laboratory 1940's
- First produced for market in late 1960's
- Originally 2x flange and plywood web
- Today: LVL or 2x flange, high grade OSB web

Beaverton, OR – early 1970's

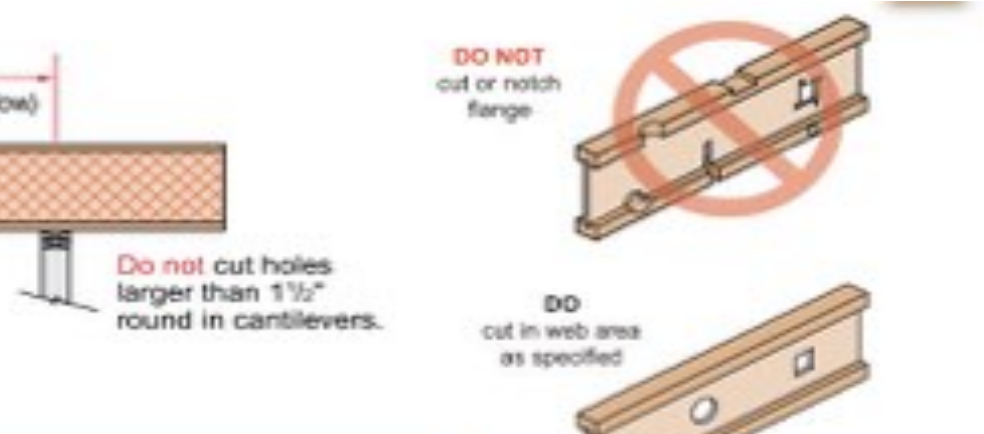


# Wood I-Joists

- Proprietary design values
- Longer span capacities
- Deeper depths, longer lengths
- Web hole allowances



# I-Joist Web Holes



MINIMUM DISTANCE (D) FROM ANY SUPPORT TO THE CENTERLINE OF THE HOLE											
Round Hole Diameter [in]			2	3	4	5	6	6½	7	8	8¾
Rectangular Hole Side [in]			-	-	2	4	6	-	-	-	-
Any 9½" Joist	Span [ft]	8	1'-0"	1'-1"	1'-9"	2'-5"	3'-1"	3'-5"			
		12	1'-0"	1'-8"	2'-8"	3'-8"	4'-8"	5'-2"			
		16	1'-0"	2'-2"	3'-6"	4'-11"	6'-3"	6'-11"			
Round Hole Diameter [in]			2	3	4	5	6	6½	7	8	8¾
Rectangular Hole Side [in]			-	-	-	2	3	4	5	7	8
Any 11¾" Joist	Span [ft]	8	1'-0"	1'-1"	1'-2"	1'-3"	1'-9"	2'-0"	2'-4"	2'-10"	3'-4"
		12	1'-0"	1'-1"	1'-2"	1'-10"	2'-8"	3'-1"	3'-6"	4'-4"	5'-1"
		16	1'-0"	1'-1"	1'-4"	2'-6"	3'-7"	4'-1"	4'-8"	5'-9"	6'-9"
		20	1'-0"	1'-1"	1'-9"	3'-1"	4'-6"	5'-2"	5'-10"	7'-3"	8'-5"



# I-Joist Product Acceptance

- ICC ES Evaluation Report
- Allows proprietary product as an alternate building material in the code
- Based upon ASTM Standard D5055
- Approximately 600 tests to qualify one series of I-joists with 4 depths
- Third party certification required



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**DIVISION:** 06 00 00—WOOD, PLASTICS AND COMPOSITES  
**Section:** 06 17 33—Wood I-joists  
**REPORT HOLDER:**

**3.2 Material Specifications:**  
**Flanges:** The flanges of the BCI I-joists are laminated veneer lumber that is currently recognized in the approved quality control manual. Flange width, depth and grade requirements are noted in Table 1.  
**3.2.1 Web:** OSB web material is either  $\frac{3}{16}$ -inch-thick (9.5 mm) or  $\frac{7}{16}$ -inch-thick (11 mm) Exposure I with a span rating of 24/0.  
**3.2.2 Adhesive:** Adhesives used in the fabrication of the I-joists are exterior-type, heat durable adhesives complying with ASTM D 2559 and ASTM D 5055 and are specified in the approved quality control manual and the Boise Cascade Corporation manufacturing standards.

**4.0 DESIGN AND INSTALLATION**  
**4.1 General:**  
Design and installation of the BCI prefabricated wood I-joists described in this report must comply with the conditions discussed in Sections 4.2 through 4.13 of this report.  
**4.2 Allowable Capacity:**  
Table 2 specifies reference design moments, shears, deflection coefficients and I-joist stiffness ( $EI$ ). Reference design reactions are given in Table 3, and are based on a minimum bearing length of either  $1\frac{1}{2}$  or  $1\frac{3}{4}$  inches (38.1 mm or 44.5 mm) for end supports and  $3\frac{1}{2}$  inches (89 mm) at intermediate supports for continuous spans. Other bearing conditions are also shown in the table; linear interpolation between the values is permitted. When values

**Compliance with the following codes:**

- 2009 International Building Code® (2009 IBC)
- 2009 International Residential Code® (2009 IRC)
- 2006 International Building Code® (2006 IBC)
- 2006 International Residential Code® (2006 IRC)

**Properties evaluated:**

- Structural
- Sound ratings
- Fire-resistance ratings
- Floor and roof spans

# Structural Composite Lumber

- Laminated Veneer Lumber (LVL)
  - Veneers all oriented in same direction
- Parallel Strand Lumber (PSL)
  - Long strips of veneer glued together
- Laminated Strand Lumber (LSL)
  - 12" long strands
- Oriented Strand Lumber (OSL)
  - 3" – 6" long strands



# Laminated Veneer Lumber (LVL)



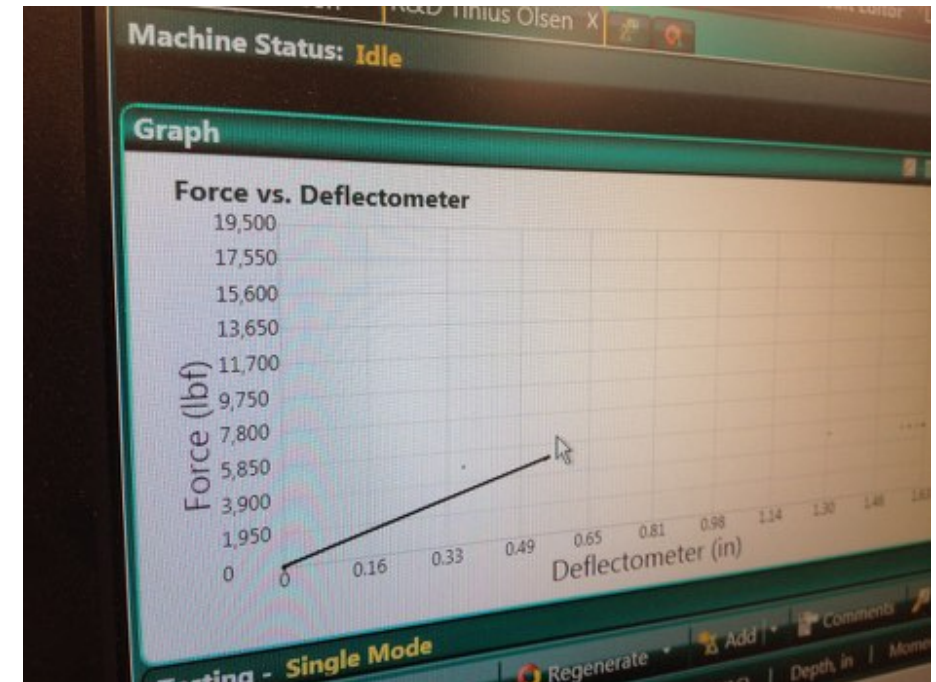
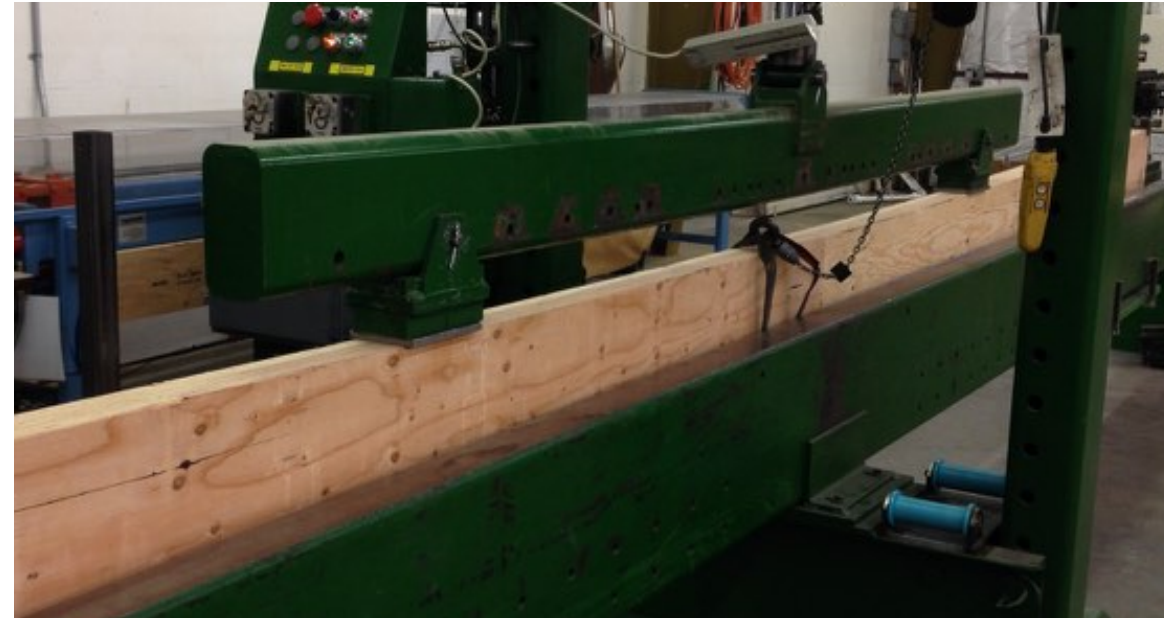
Birch LVL used  
through out the  
Hughes Aircraft H-4  
Hercules (aka  
“Spruce Goose”)



# SCL Product Acceptance

## ASTM D5456

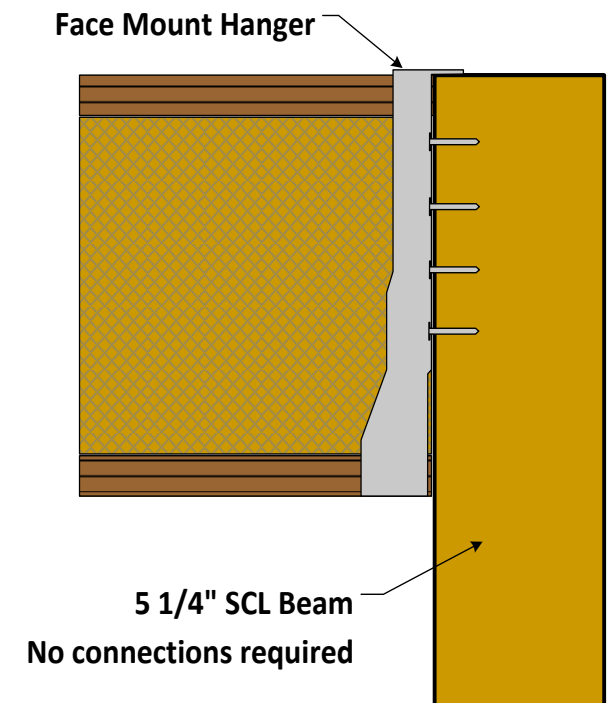
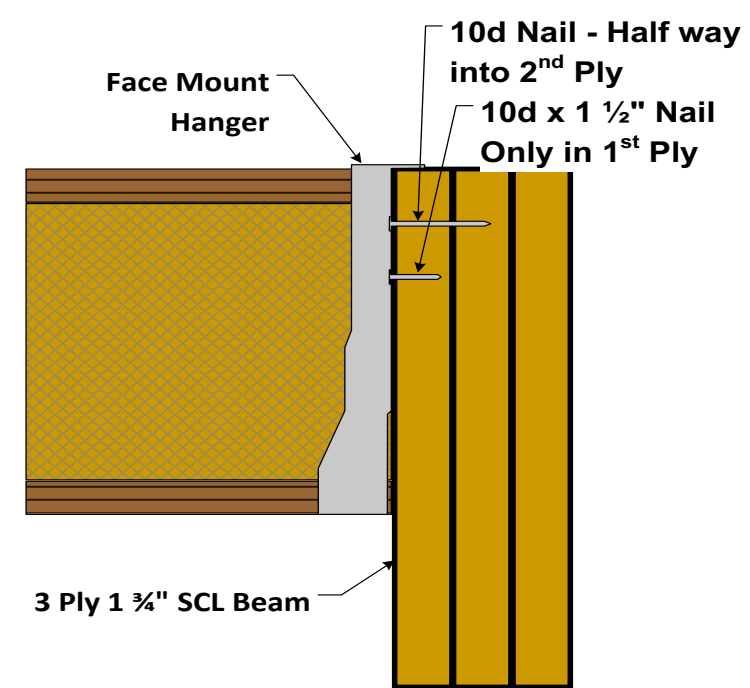
- Strength & Stiffness
- Adhesives
- Durability
- Approximately 1000 tests to qualify a grade of SCL



# SCL Availability and Use

- Available in 1 ¾", 3 ½", 5 ¼", 7" thicknesses, 1 ¾" most common
- Multiple ply beams must be connected properly for load to be distributed evenly to each ply
- See manufacturer's literature for nail, self-driving screw, and bolt patterns

Side-Loaded Applications								
Number of Members	Maximum Uniform Side Load [plf]							
	Nailed		½" Dia. Through Bolt™			¾" Dia. Through Bolt™		
	2 rows 16d Sinkers @ 12" o.c.	3 rows 16d Sinkers @ 12" o.c.	2 rows @ 24" o.c. staggered	2 rows @ 12" o.c. staggered	2 rows @ 6" o.c. staggered	2 rows @ 24" o.c. staggered	2 rows @ 12" o.c. staggered	2 rows @ 6" o.c. staggered
	1 ¼"		LVL (Depths of 18" and less)					
2	470	705	505	1010	2020	560	1120	2245
3 <sup>rd</sup>	350	525	375	755	1515	420	840	1685
4 <sup>th</sup>	use bolt schedule		335	670	1345	370	745	1495

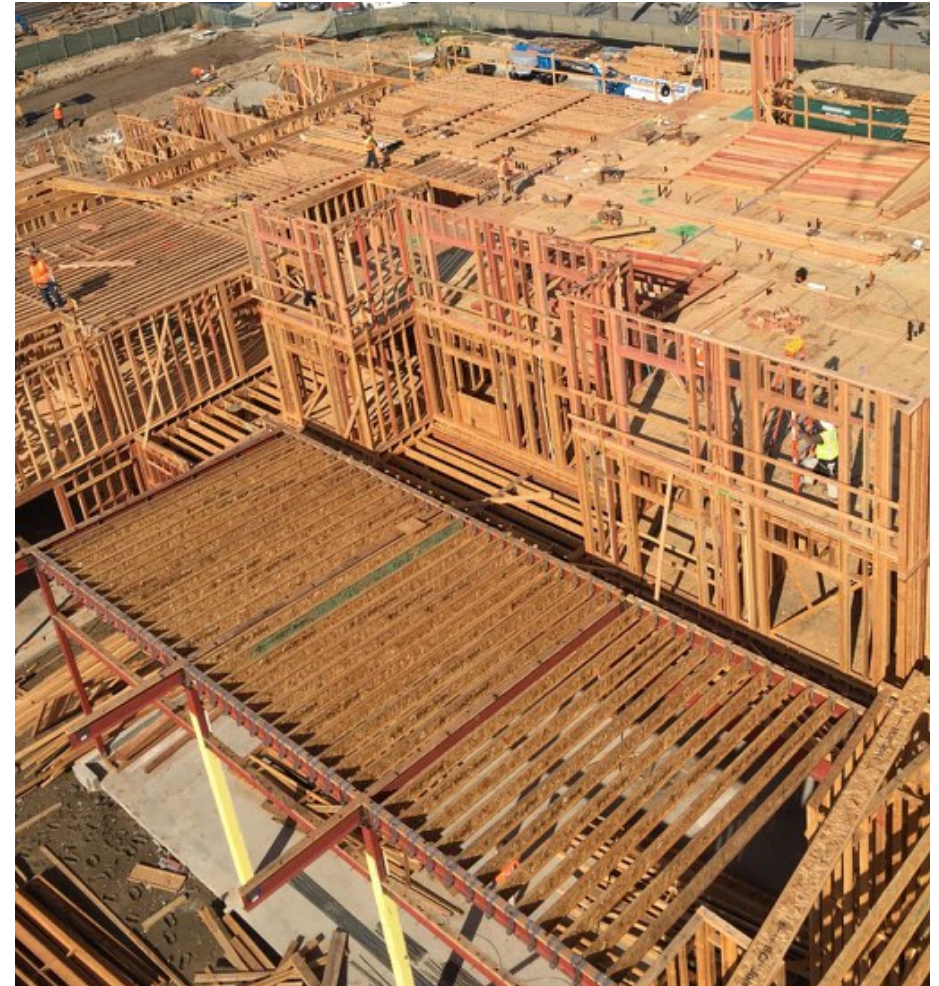


# Other EWP Products

- Glulam
- Plywood
- Metal-Plate Wood Trusses
- Oriented Strand Board (OSB)
- Cross Laminated Timber (CLT)



# EWP Use in Mid-Rise Structures



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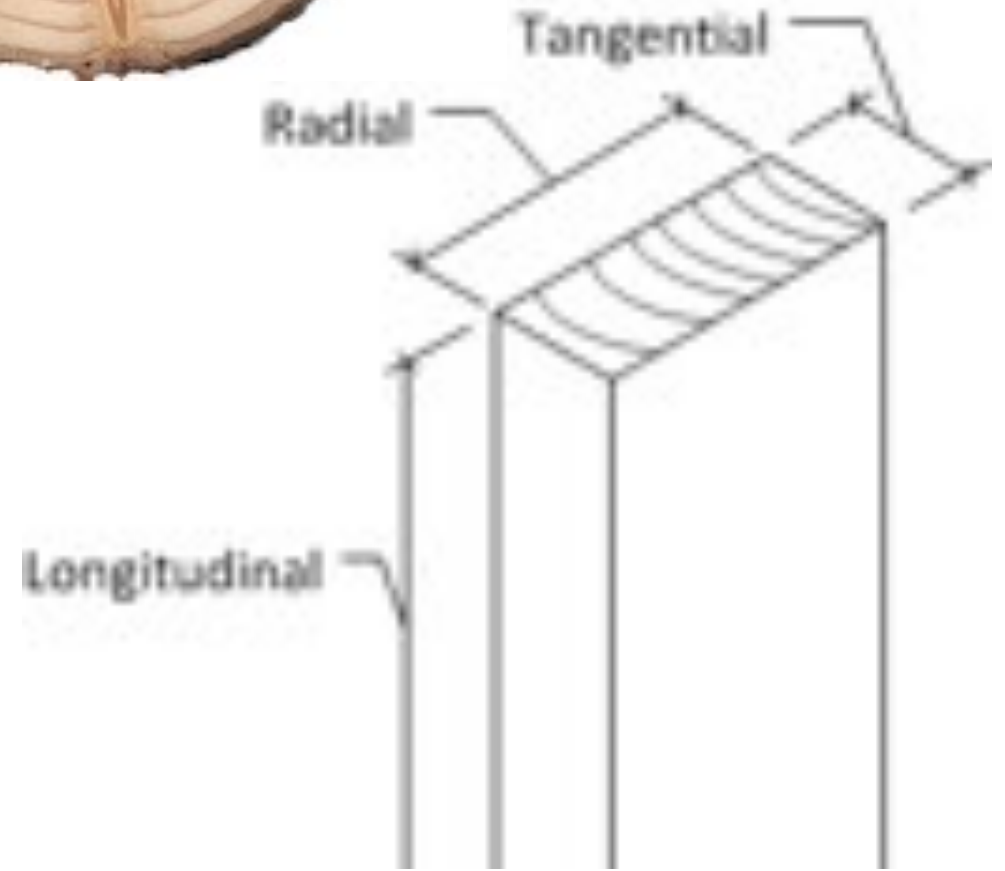
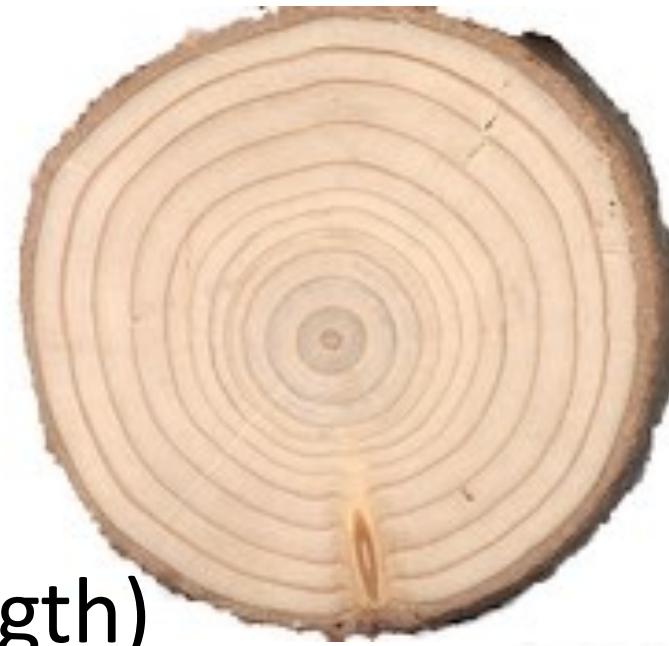
# Wood Dimension Stability

- Engineered wood typically manufactured at low moisture content (5 - 7%)
- No shrinkage after installation if product kept dry in supply chain
- Slight swelling to equilibrium in most climates



# Dimension Stability

- Orthotropic material
- Very little movement in longitudinal direction (log length)
- Shrink/swell ratios:
  - Tangential (along growth rings) / Radial (across growth rings) / Longitudinal = 20 / 10 / 1



# Wood Dimension Stability

Example: Platform Framing

Shrinkage (19% to 12% EMC)

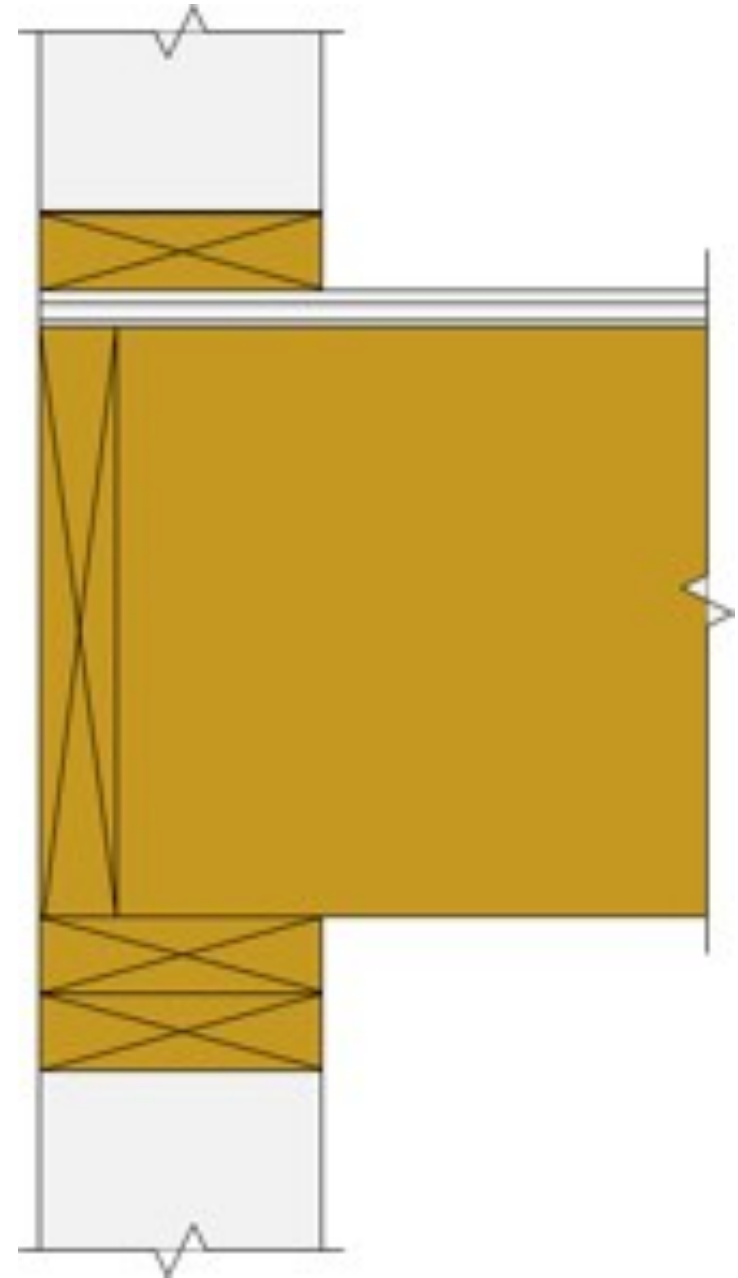
Joist, Rim: 0.21"

Plates: 0.04"

9' Studs: 0.09"

Total: 0.34"

Values per Forest Product Laboratory Wood Handbook, tangential direction for rim, radial direction for plates

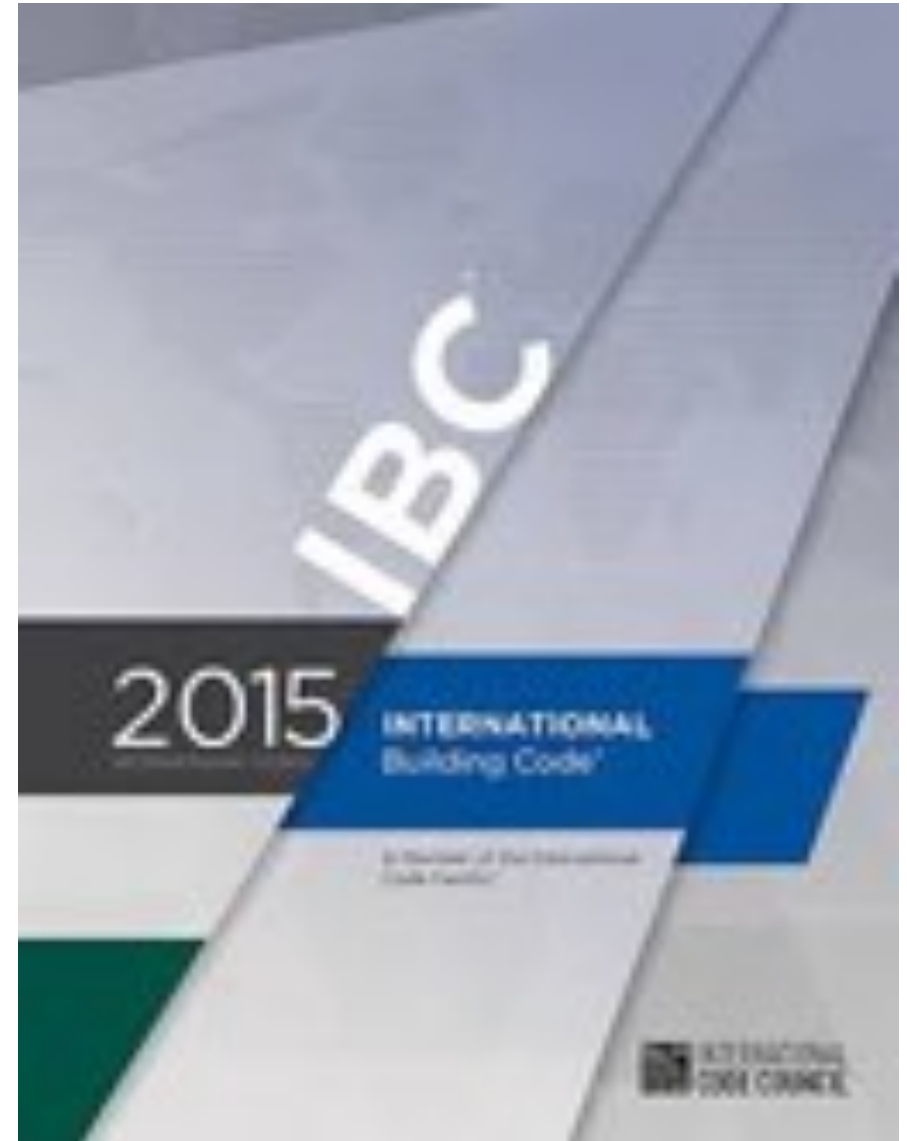


# Wood Dimension Stability

## Building Code Requirement

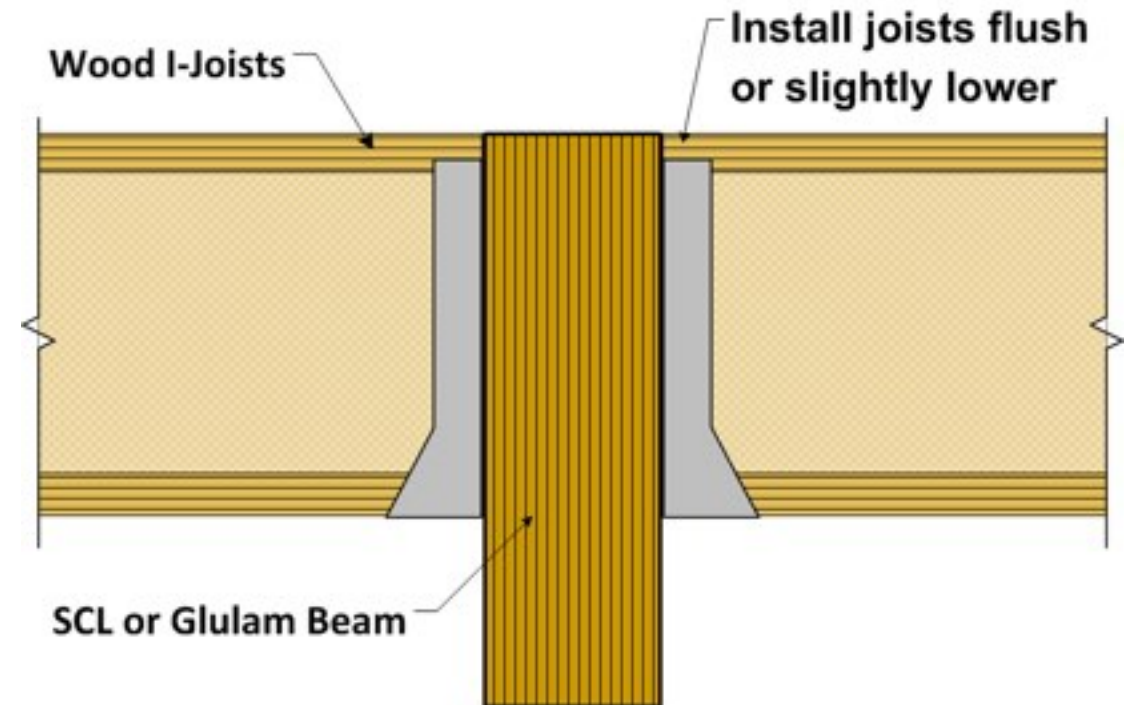
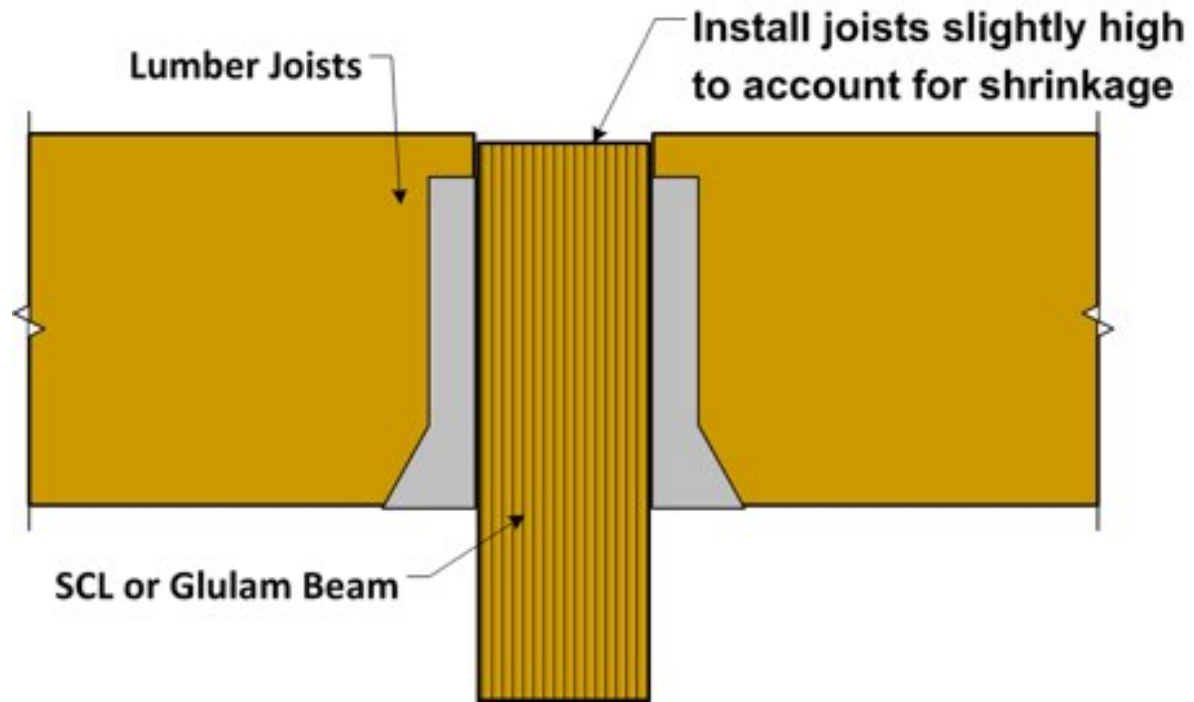
### 2404.3.3:

- Shrinkage analysis required for walls supporting more than 2 floors and roof
- Shrinkage of the wood shall not have adverse effects on the structure or any plumbing, electrical or mechanical systems...

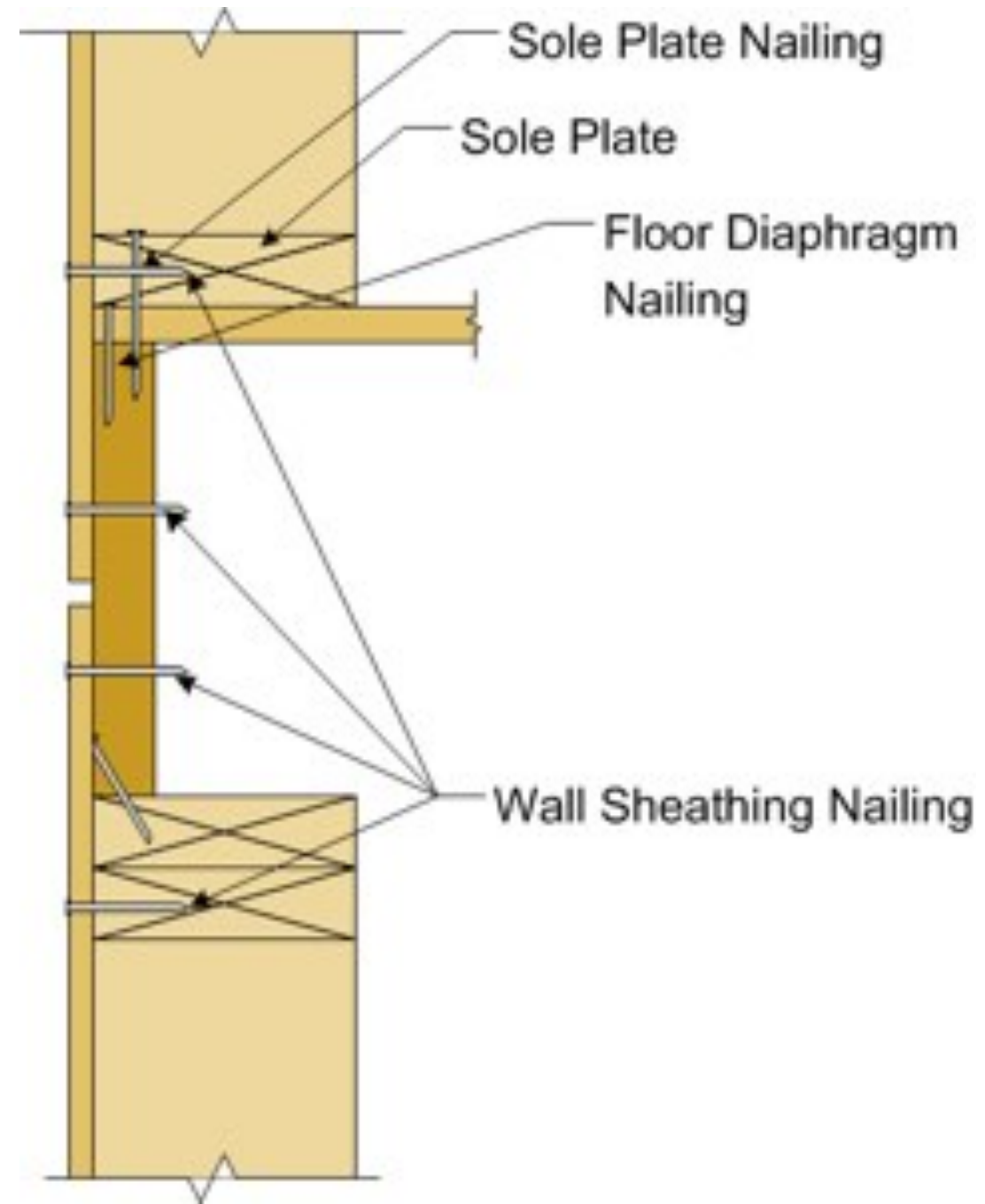


# Wood Dimension Stability

## Serviceability Detailing



# Lateral Load Transfer Design



# Wood I-Joist Diaphragms

Each manufacturer tests to establish equivalency to lumber joist diaphragms

- Original APA testing of lumber joists (1950's) – Current wood horizontal diaphragm tables in IBC
- Wood I-joist testing per ICC Acceptance Criteria (full and small scale testing)

TABLE 2  
ALLOWABLE SHEAR (POUNDS PER FOOT) FOR HORIZONTAL APA PANEL DIAPHRAGMS WITH FRAMING OF DOUGLAS-FIR, LARCH OR SOUTHERN PINE— FOR WIND OR SEISMIC LOADING— (See also IBC Table 2306.3.1)

Panel Grade	Common Nail Size <sup>a</sup>	Minimum Nail Penetration in Framing (in.)	Minimum Nominal Framing Member Width at Panel Edges and Boundaries (in.)	Minimum Nominal Width of Framing Member at Adjoining Panel Edges and Boundaries (in.)	Blocked Diaphragms				Unblocked Diaphragms	
					Nail Spacing (in.) at diaphragm boundaries (at least), at continuous panel edges parallel to load (Cases 3 & 4), and at all panel edges (Cases 5 & 6) <sup>b</sup>				Nails Spaced 6" max. at Supported Edges <sup>c</sup>	
					Nail Spacing (in.) at other panel edges (Cases 1, 2, 3 & 4) <sup>d</sup>				Case 1 (No unblocked edges or continuous joints parallel to load)	
					6	4	2-1/2 <sup>e</sup>	2 <sup>f</sup>	As other configurations (Cases 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6)	
APA STRUCTURAL I grades	6d <sup>h</sup> (0.113" dia.)	1-1/4	5/16	2	185	230	375	420	165	125
				3	210	280	420	475	185	140
	8d (0.131" dia.)	1-3/8	3/8	2	270	360	520	600	240	180
				3	300	400	600	675	265	200
	10d <sup>h</sup> (0.148" dia.)	1-1/2	15/32	2	320	425	640	730	285	215
				3	360	480	720	820	320	240
APA RATED SHEATHING, APA RATED STURD-I-FLOOR and other APA grades except Species Group 5	6d <sup>h</sup> (0.113" dia.)	1-1/4	5/16	2	170	225	325	380	150	110
				3	190	250	380	430	170	125
				2	185	250	375	420	165	125
				3	210	280	420	475	185	140
				2	240	320	480	545	210	160
				3	270	360	540	610	240	180
	8d (0.131" dia.)	1-3/8	7/16	2	255	340	505	575	220	170
				3	285	380	570	645	255	190
				2	270	360	520	600	240	180
				3	300	400	600	675	265	200
	10d <sup>h</sup> (0.148" dia.)	1-1/2	15/32	2	290	385	575	655	255	190
				3	325	430	650	735	290	215
				2	320	425	640	730	285	215
				3	360	480	720	820	320	240

(a) For framing of other species: Find specific gravity for species of lumber in the NDS, find shear value from table above for nail size for actual grade and multiply value by the following adjustment factor: Specific Gravity Adjustment Factor =  $[1 - (SG - 0.5) / 0.05]$ , where SG = Specific Gravity of the framing lumber. This adjustment shall not be greater than 1.

(b) Space between maximum 12 inches o.c. along intermediate framing members (6 inches o.c. when supports are spaced 48 inches o.c. or greater).

(c) Framing or adjoining panel edges shall be 2 inch nominal or wider, and nails shall be staggered where nails are spaced 2 inches o.c. or 2 1/2 inches o.c.

(d) Framing or adjoining panel edges shall be 2 inch nominal or wider, and nails shall be staggered where both of the following conditions are met: (1) 10d nail having penetration into framing of more than 1 1/2 inches and (2) nails are spaced 2 inches o.c. or less.

(e) 2d is recommended minimum for nails due to negative pressures of high winds.

(f) The minimum nominal width of framing members not located at boundaries or adjoining panel edges shall be 7 inches.

(g) For shear loads of normal or permanent load duration as defined by NDS, the values in the table above shall be multiplied by 0.85 and 0.58, respectively.

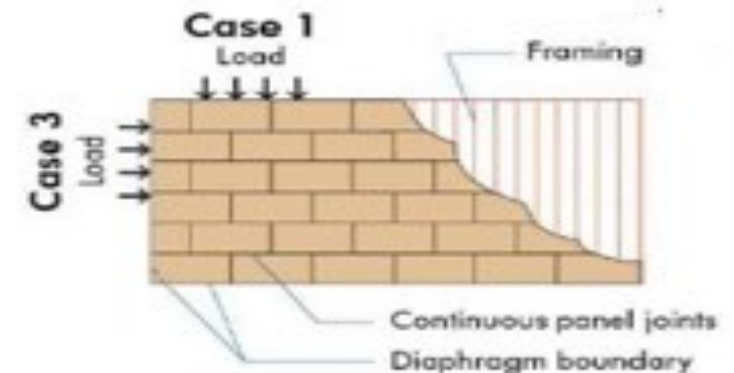
Note: Design for diaphragm stresses depends on direction of continuous panel joints with relation to load, not on direction of long dimension or strength axis of sheat. Continuous framing may be in either direction for blocked diaphragms.

# Wood Frame Diaphragms

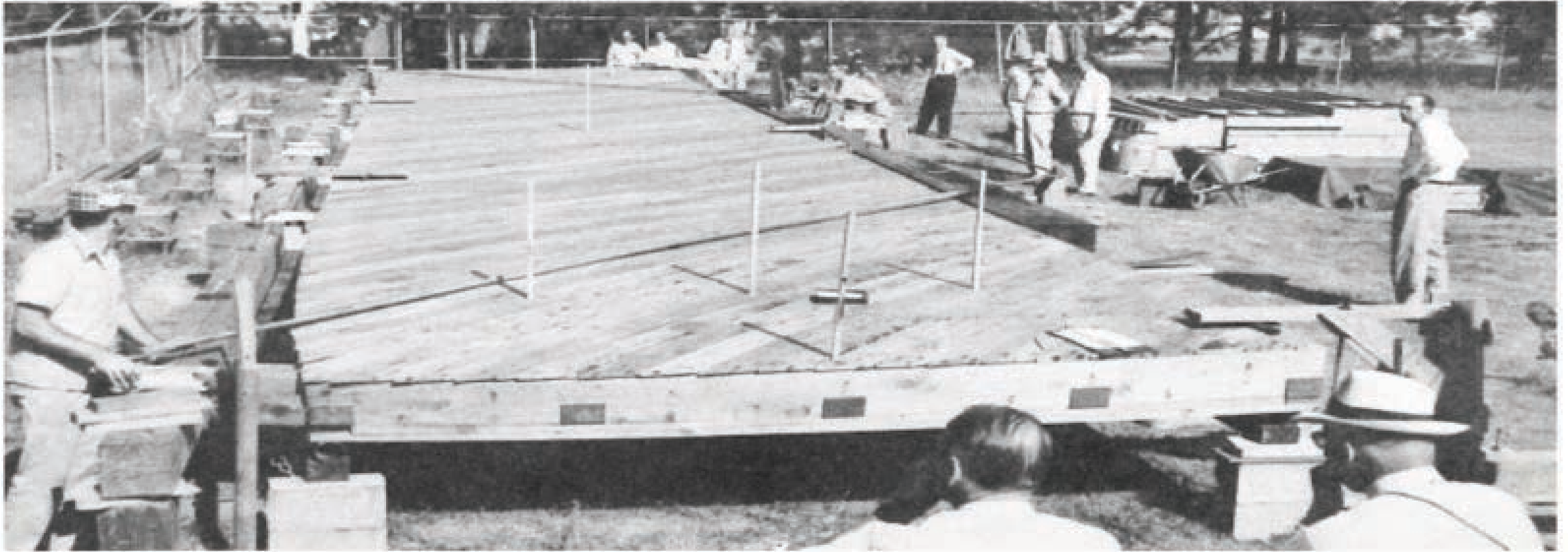
Where is the wood frame floor diaphragm table now?

- IBC & IRC reference the AWC SDPWS

Nail Spacing (in.) at diaphragm boundaries (all cases), at continuous panel edges parallel to load (Cases 3 & 4), and at all panel edges (Cases 5 & 6)											
6			4			2-1/2			2		
Nail Spacing (in.) at other panel edges (Cases 1, 2, 3, & 4)											
6			6			4			3		
$V_u$ (plf)	$G_u$ (kips/in.)		$V_u$ (plf)	$G_u$ (kips/in.)		$V_u$ (plf)	$G_u$ (kips/in.)		$V_u$ (plf)	$G_u$ (kips/in.)	
	OSB	PLY		OSB	PLY		OSB	PLY		OSB	PLY
370	15	12	500	8.5	7.5	750	12	10	840	20	15
420	12	9.5	560	7.0	6.0	840	9.5	8.5	950	17	13
540	14	11	720	9.0	7.5	1060	13	10	1200	21	15
600	12	10	800	7.5	6.5	1200	10	9.0	1350	18	13
640	24	17	850	15	12	1280	20	15	1460	31	21
720	20	15	960	12	9.5	1440	16	13	1640	26	18
340	15	10	450	9.0	7.0	670	13	9.5	760	21	13
380	12	9.0	500	7.0	6.0	760	10	8.0	860	17	12
370	13	9.5	500	7.0	6.0	750	10	8.0	840	18	12
420	10	8.0	560	5.5	5.0	840	8.5	7.0	950	14	10
480	15	11	640	9.5	7.5	960	13	9.5	1090	21	13
540	12	9.5	720	7.5	6.0	1080	11	8.5	1220	18	12
510	14	10	680	8.5	7.0	1010	12	9.5	1150	20	13
570	11	9.0	760	7.0	6.0	1140	10	8.0	1290	17	12
540	13	9.5	720	7.5	6.5	1060	11	8.5	1200	19	13
600	10	8.5	800	6.0	5.5	1200	9.0	7.5	1350	15	11
580	25	15	770	15	11	1150	21	14	1310	33	18
650	21	14	860	12	9.5	1300	17	12	1470	28	16
640	21	14	850	13	9.5	1280	18	12	1460	28	17
720	17	12	960	10	8.0	1440	14	11	1640	24	15



# Original Lumber Diaphragm Testing



**Testing a 12 by 60-Foot Wood Diaphragm.**

# I-Joist Diaphragm Testing



# I-Joist Diaphragm Testing



Failure of  
sheathing

Flange thickness  
not limiting factor

# I-Joist Diaphragms


- Consult manufacturer for diaphragm values and limits
- Typical closest allowable nail spacing = 4"
- Most SCL flange joists have connector specific gravity equivalency to Douglas fir



**Case 1 Diaphragm: Staggered Sheathing  
Perpendicular to Joist Length**

# I-Joist Diaphragms

## Manufacturer Literature



Nailing Perpendicular to Glue Lines (Wide Face)

Nailing Parallel to Glue Lines (Narrow Face)

Nail Size	Joists			
	Nailing Perpendicular to Glue Line (Wide Face)		Nailing Parallel to Glue Line (Narrow Face)	
	O.C. Spacing [inches]	End of Joist [inches]	O.C. Spacing [inches]	End of Joist [inches]
8d Box	2	1½	4	1½
8d Common	2	1½	4	3
10d & 12d Box	2	1½	4	3
16d Box	2	1½	4	3
10d & 12d Common	3	2	6	4
16d Sinker	3	2	6	4
16d Common	3	2	6	4

- If more than one row of nails is used, the rows must be offset at least ¼ inch.

A35 connectors may be attached to the side of joist flanges only. Use nails as specified by \_\_\_\_\_; do not attach connectors on both sides of a flange at the same location.

**Diaphragm Table (1)**

Flange Width	Diaphragm Capacity <sup>(1)(2)</sup> [lb/ft]	
	Unblocked	Blocked
2"	As permitted for 2x framing in building code	320 lb/ft for 6" o.c. nailing @ panel edges 425 lb/ft for 4" o.c. nailing, staggered, @ panel edges
2 5/16"	As permitted for 3x framing in building code	360 lb/ft for 6" o.c. nailing @ panel edges 480 lb/ft for 4" o.c. nailing, staggered @ panel edges
3 1/2"	As permitted for 3x framing in building code	As permitted for 3x framing in building code with nail spacing no closer than 3" o.c.

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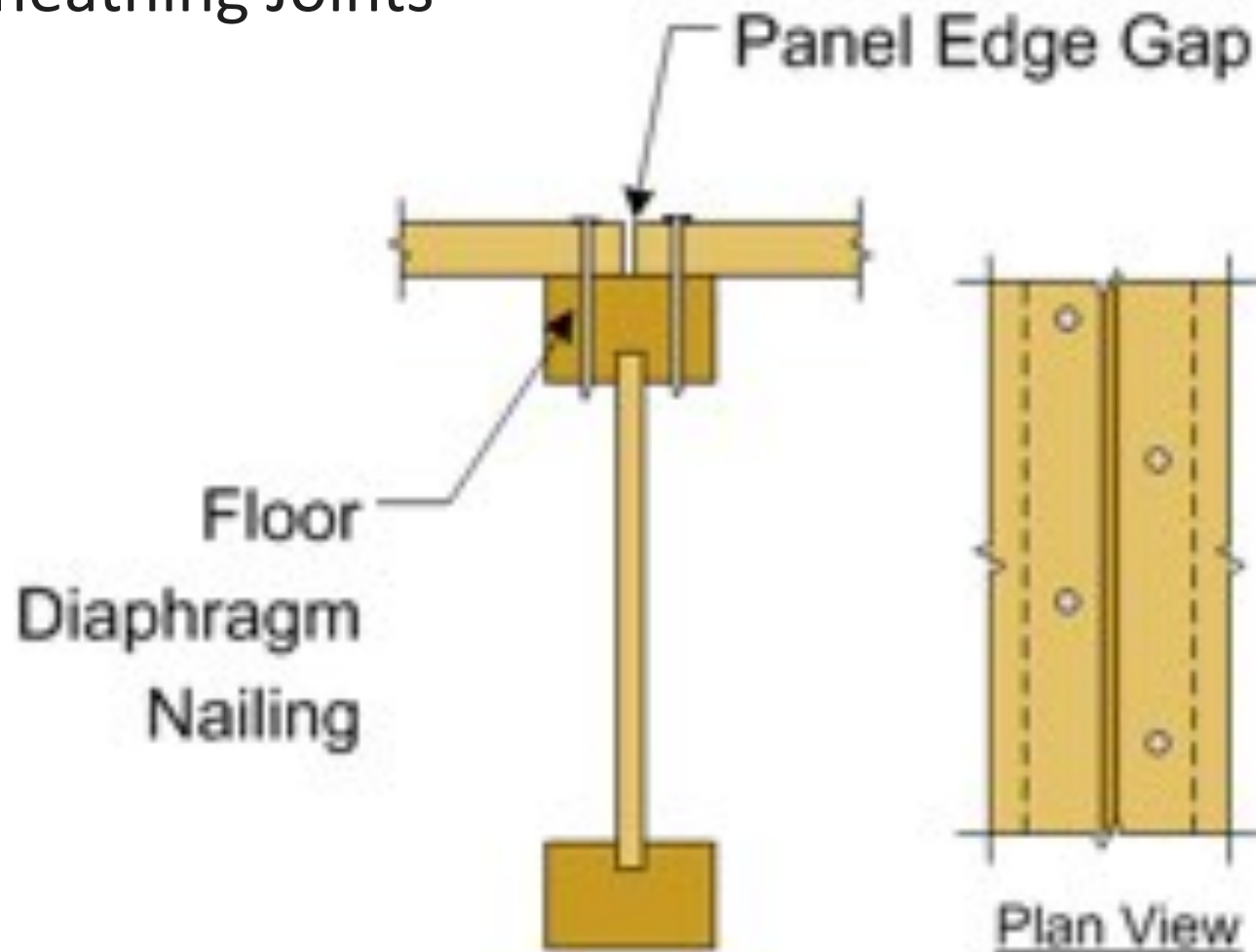
(1) See table 6 of ICC ESR 1336.

(2) \_\_\_\_\_ joists may be substituted for solid sawn framing in horizontal wood diaphragms as shown in Table 2306.3.1 of the IBC.

(3) Limits controlled by \_\_\_\_\_ closest allowable nail spacing limits.

# I-Joist Diaphragms

## Sheathing Joints

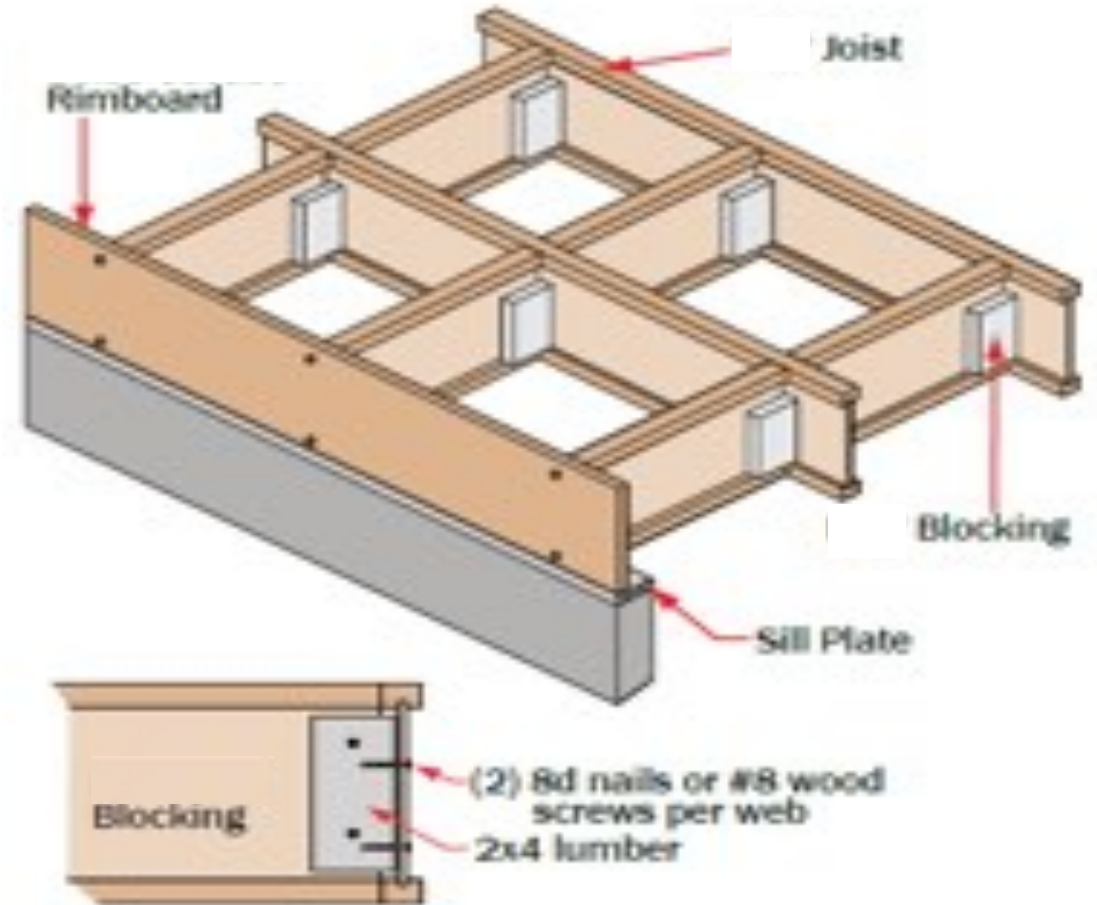
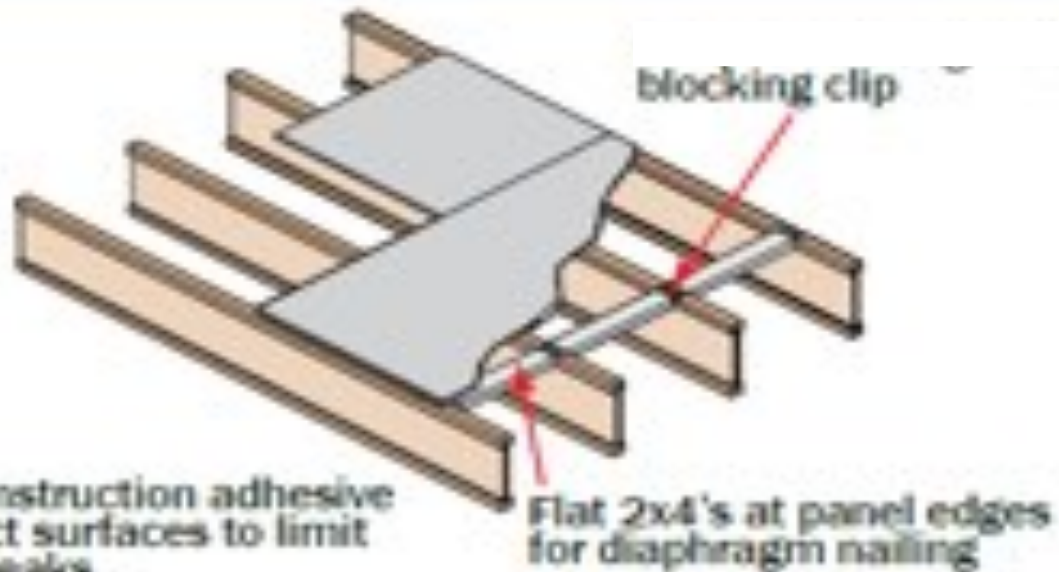


- Wider flange I-joists allow for more area at panel edges, easier to nail in field
- Consult with manufacturer on nail spacing limits, staggering, etc.

# Blocked I-Joist Diaphragms

- Blocking: I-joists or flat 2x
- Check with manufacturer

Blocked Diaphragm Nailing Detail



# Alternate Diaphragm Fasteners

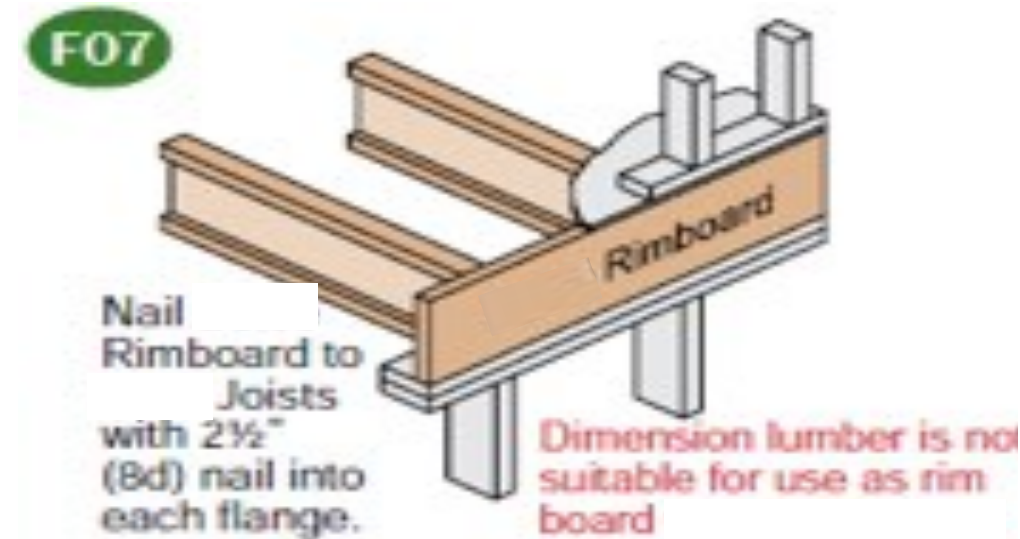
## Proprietary Screws

- Typically less ductile failure compared to nails
- Manufacturer shall have evaluation report from accredited agency listing diaphragm values
- Marketed as a value-added product (improved floor performance, less squeaks, etc.)

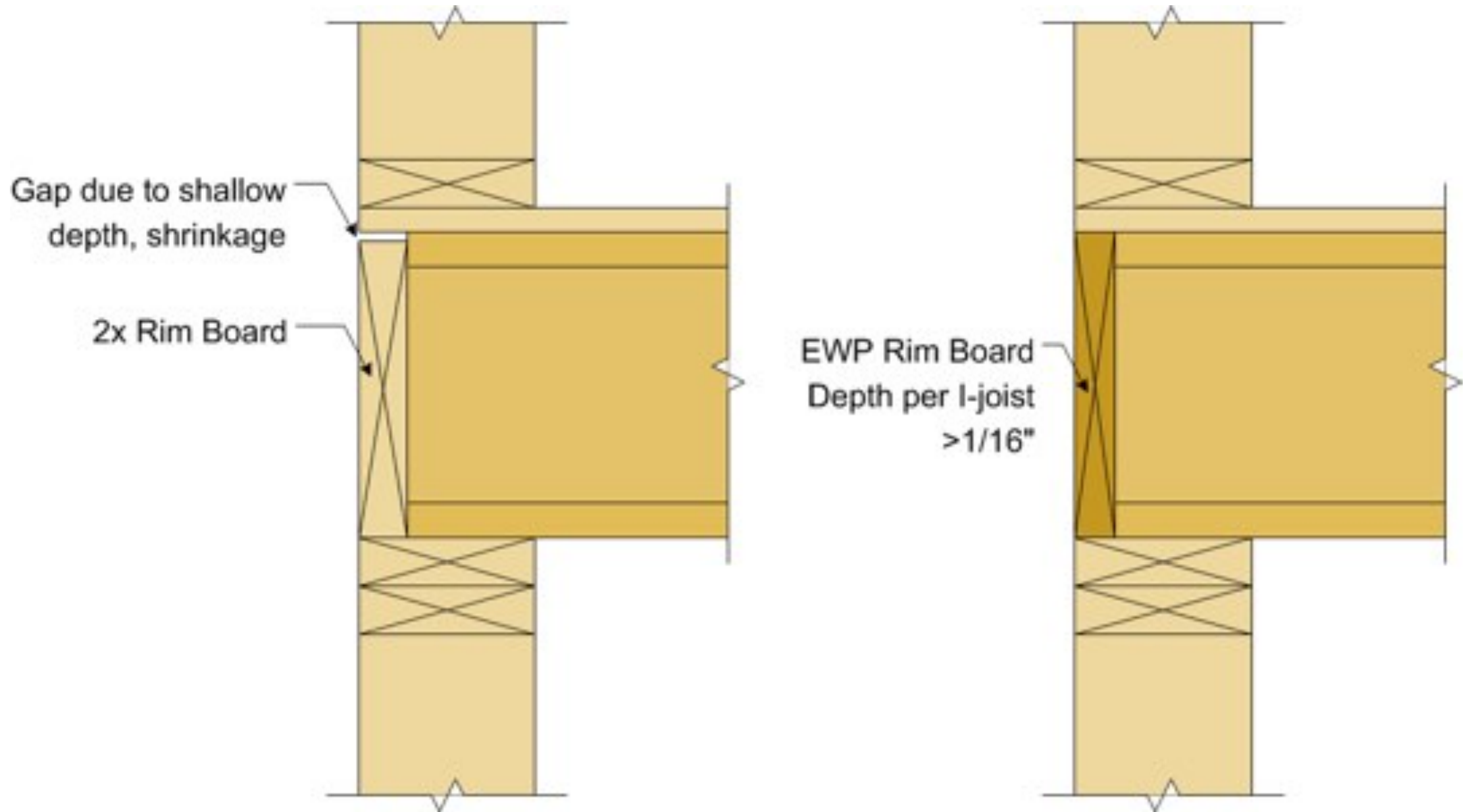


# Engineered Rim Board

- Typical Rim Board Thickness: 1 1/4" to 5 1/4" LVL or LSL
- Vertical load capacities and lateral design values for diaphragms
- ICC Acceptance Criteria for engineered rim board
- Dimension lumber should not be used as rim board with wood I-Joists



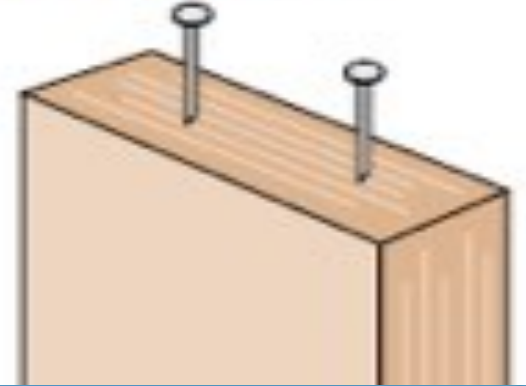
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- Closest allowable nail spacing controls lateral design
- Thicker rim = tighter allowable spacing

Nailing Parallel to  
Glue Lines  
(Narrow Face)



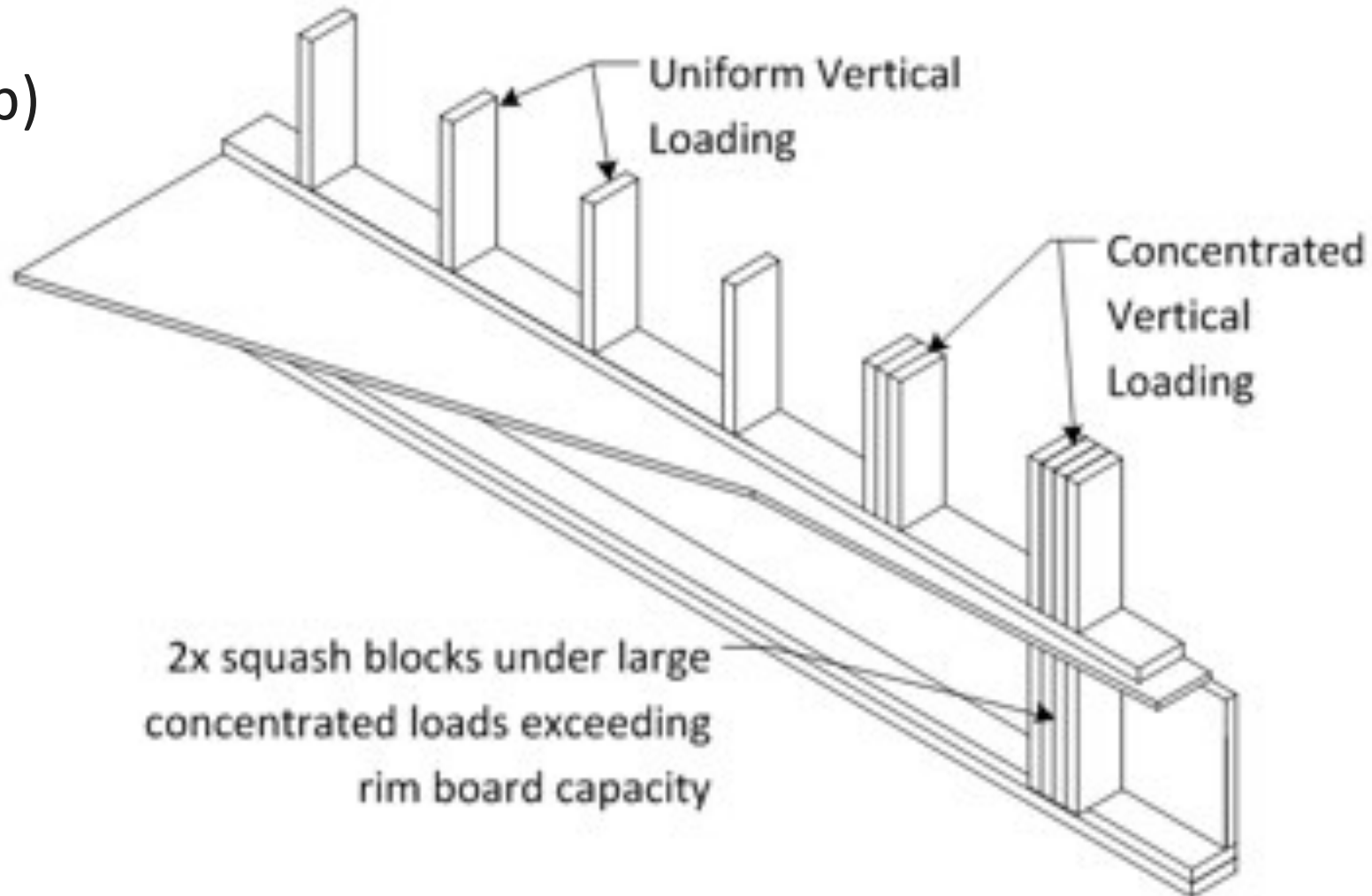
Product	Closest Allowable Nail Spacing - Narrow Face [in]					
	8d Box	8d Common	10d & 12d Box	16d Box	10d, 12d Common & 16d Sinker	16d Common
1 1/8" OSB	3	3	Not allowed with prescriptive rim board			
1 1/4" OSB	4	4	4	4	4	6
1 1/4" – 1 1/2" LVL	3	3	3	3	4	6
1 3/4" LVL	2	3	3	3	4	6



# Engineered Rim Board

## Vertical Load Capacities

- Uniform load values (lb/ft)
- Concentrated load values (lb)
  - Squash blocks (short studs) may be added for larger loads



# 1 ¼" & Thicker LVL/LSL Rim Board

## Rim Board Allowable Design Values

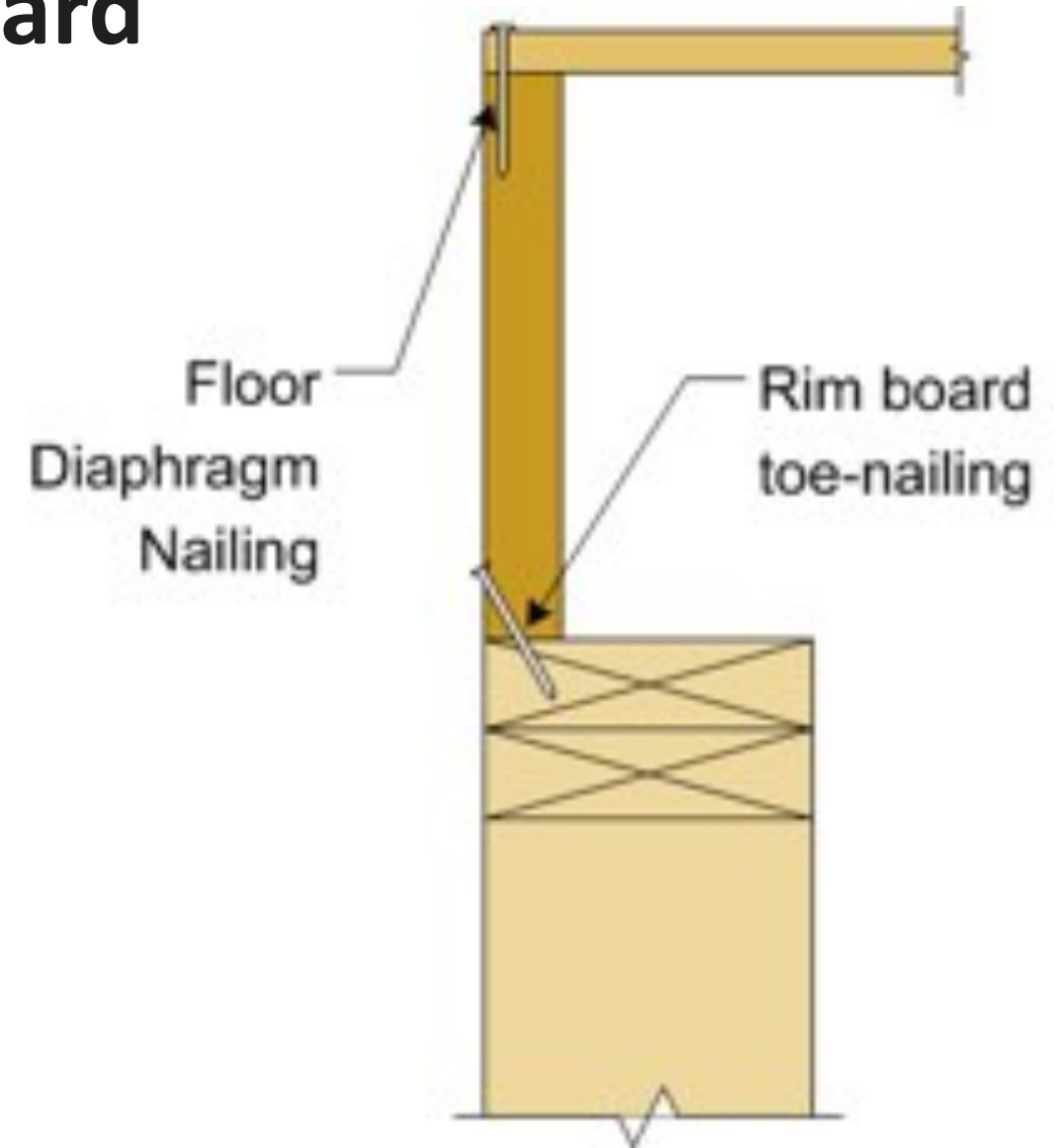
- Uniform Vertical Load: >6000 lb/ft
- Lateral Load: Equivalent to 2x lumber (Douglas fir)



# 1 ¼" & Thicker LVL/LSL Rim Board

Edge Connection – Floor Diaphragm

Nail Size & Spacing	Seismic/Wind (1.6 Load Duration)
8d Common @ 4" oc	360 lb/ft
10d Common @ 4" oc	425 lb/ft



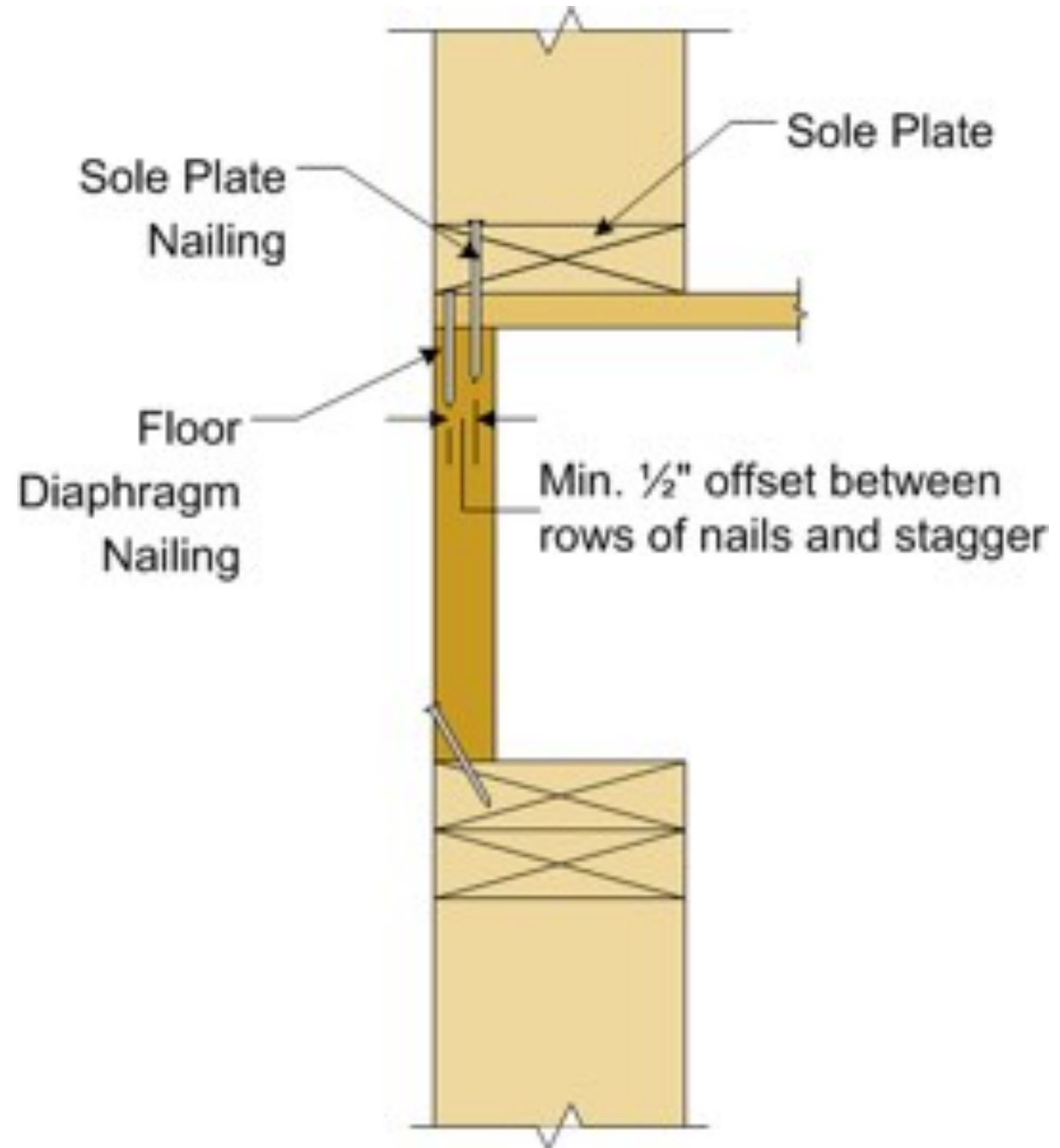
# 1 ¼" & Thicker LVL/LSL Rim

Edge Connection – Sole Plate

16d common nails (225 lb)

@ 5" o.c. = 540 lb/ft

Use of framing anchors, additional blocks, sheathing nailing possible for increased load transfer



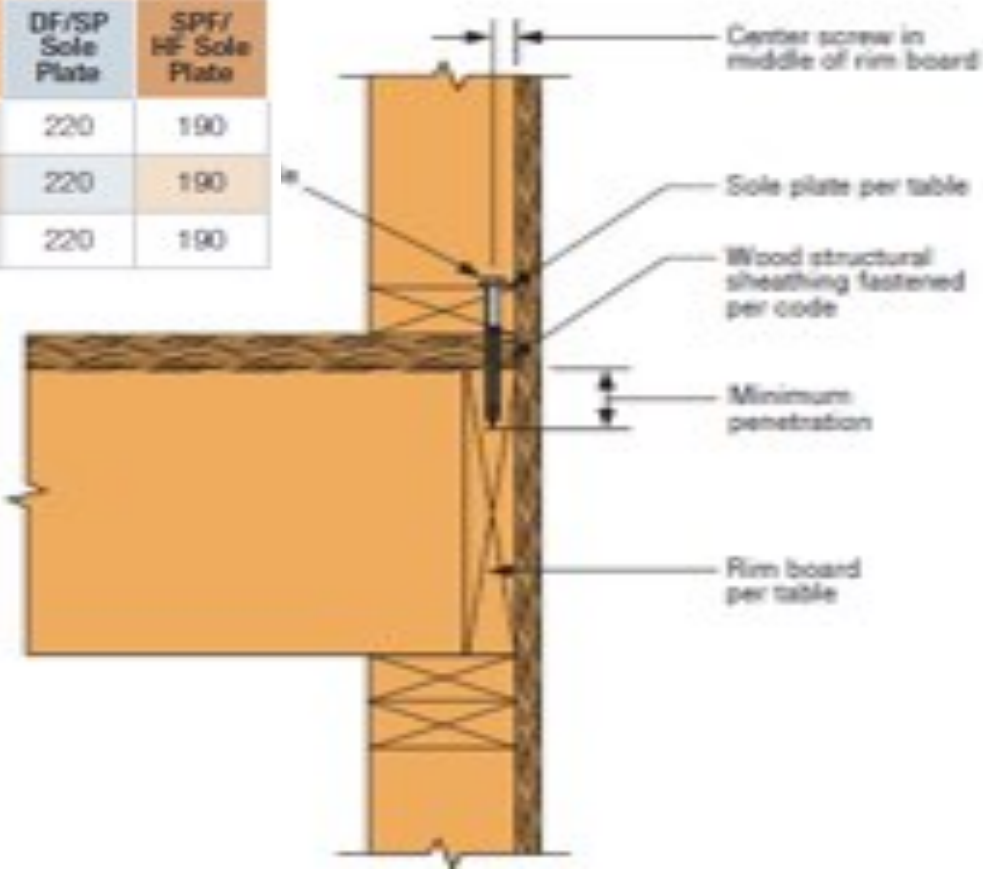
# Proprietary Self-Driving Lag Screws

## Edge Connection – Sole Plate



Size (in.)	Model No.	Sole Plate Nominal Size	Minimum Penetration into Rim Board (in.)	Allowable Loads (lbs)							
				2x DF/SP Rim Board		2x SPF/HF Rim Board		1 1/4" Min. LVL Rim Board		1 1/4" Min. LSL Rim Board	
				DF/SP Sole Plate	SPF/HF Sole Plate	DF/SP Sole Plate	SPF/HF Sole Plate	DF/SP Sole Plate	SPF/HF Sole Plate	DF/SP Sole Plate	SPF/HF Sole Plate
1/4 x 4.5	SDS25412	2x	2	250	190	190	190	190	190	220	190
1/4 x 5	SDS25500	2x	2	250	190	190	190	190	190	220	190
1/4 x 6	SDS25600	2x or 3x	2	250	190	190	190	190	190	220	190

- Min. SCL rim thickness = 1 1/4"
- Closest spacing = 6" on-center
- Reduced values compared to 2x
- 2 rows of screws requires min. 2 5/8" thick rim



# 1 ¼" & Thicker LVL/LSL Rim Board

Additional Nailing from Wall  
Sheathing

3/8" Sheathing & 8d Common

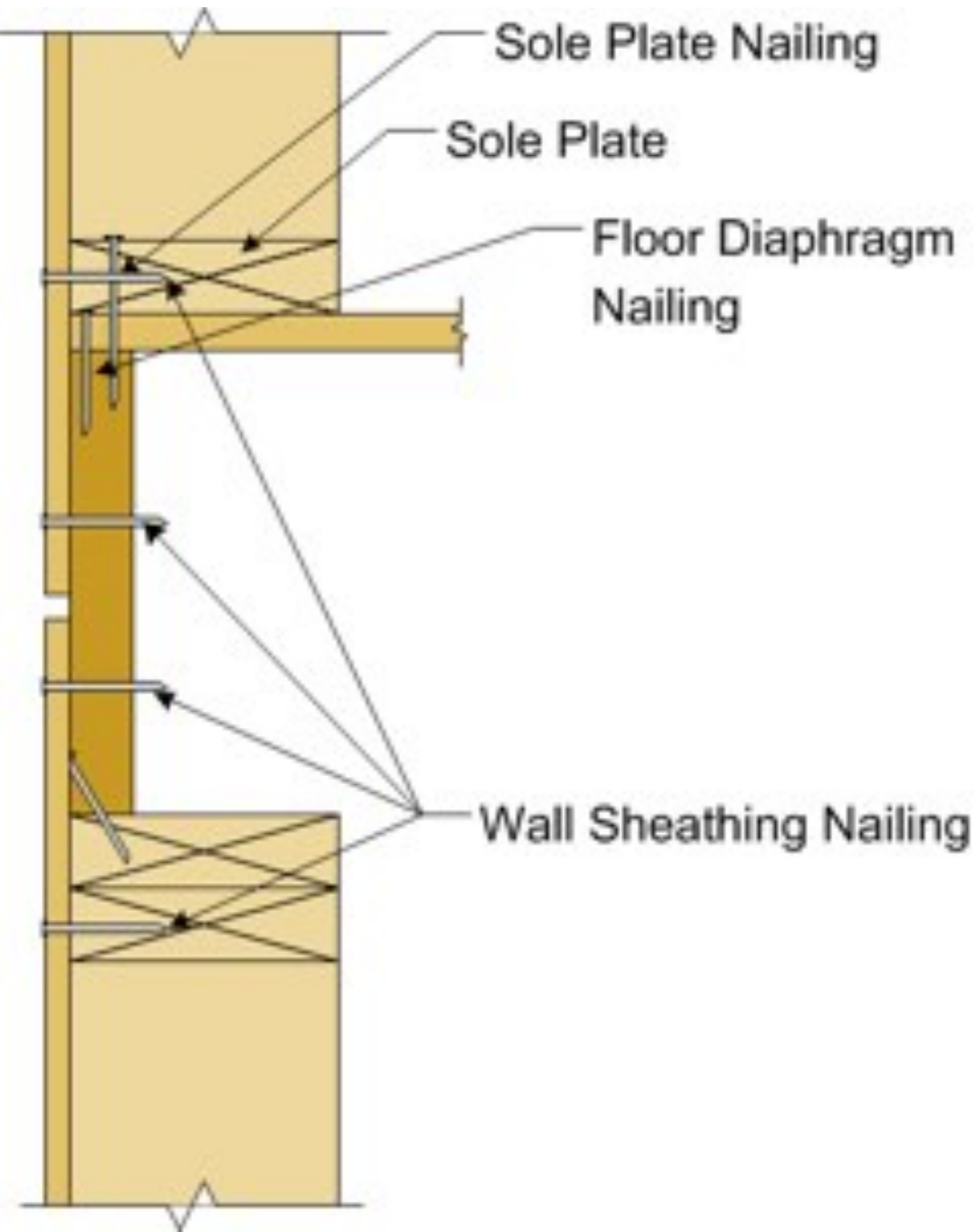
= 113 lb

@ 6" o.c. = 226 lb/ft

7/16" Sheathing & 8d Common

= 116 lb

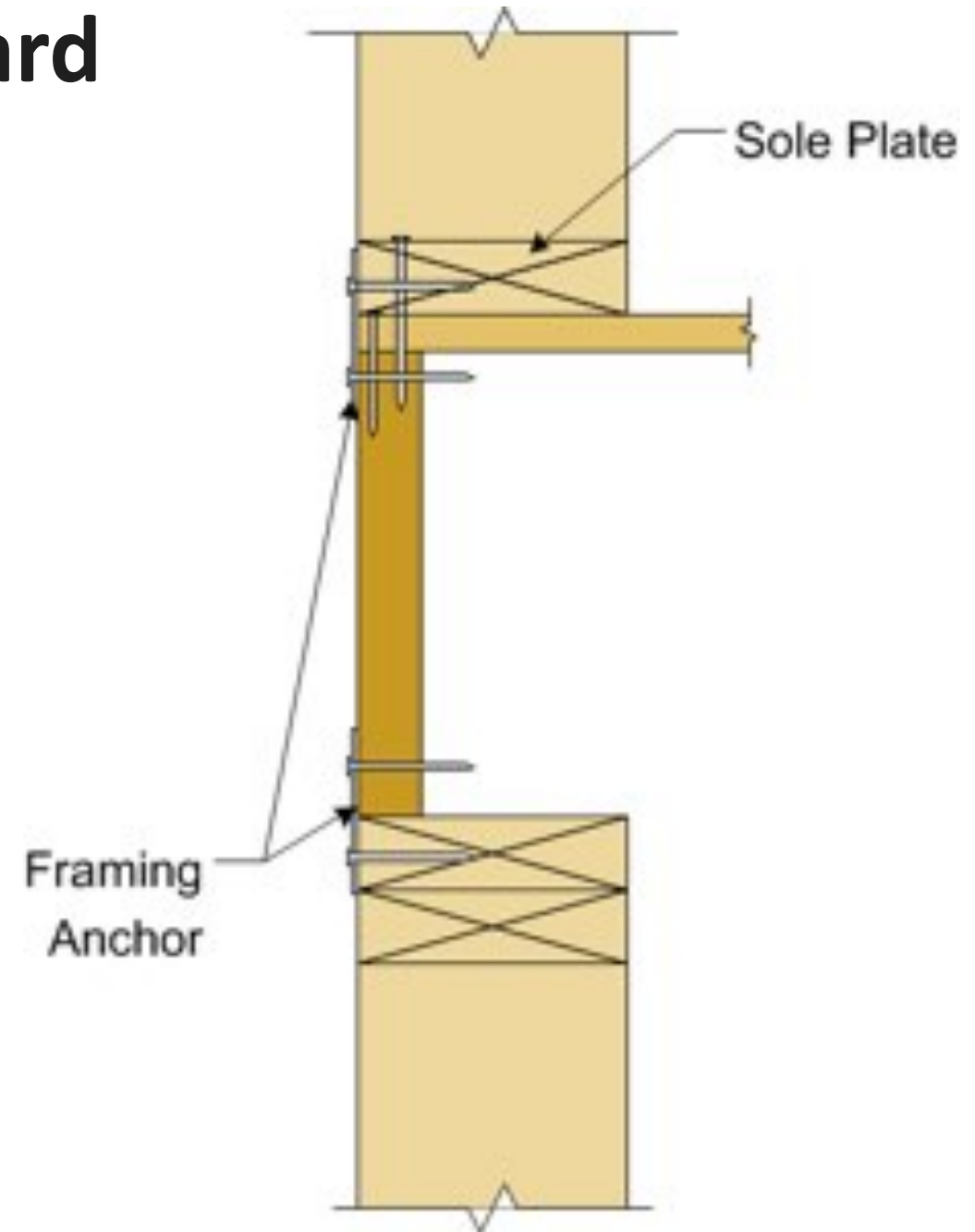
@ 6" o.c. = 232 lb/ft



# 1 ¼" & Thicker LVL/LSL Rim Board

Engineered Design – Framing Anchors

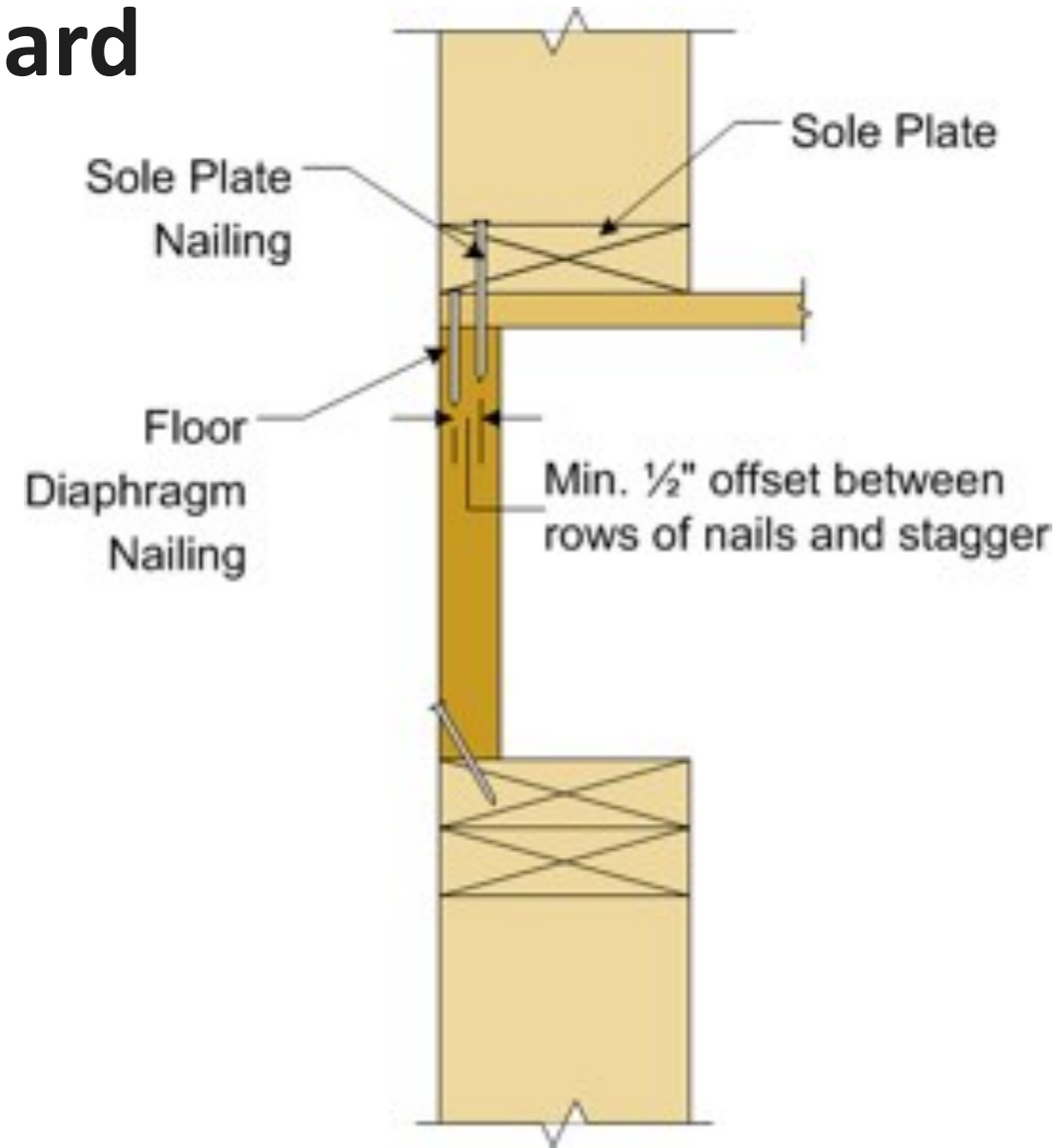
Typical connector w/ nails = 670 lb



# 1 ¼" & Thicker LVL/LSL Rim Board

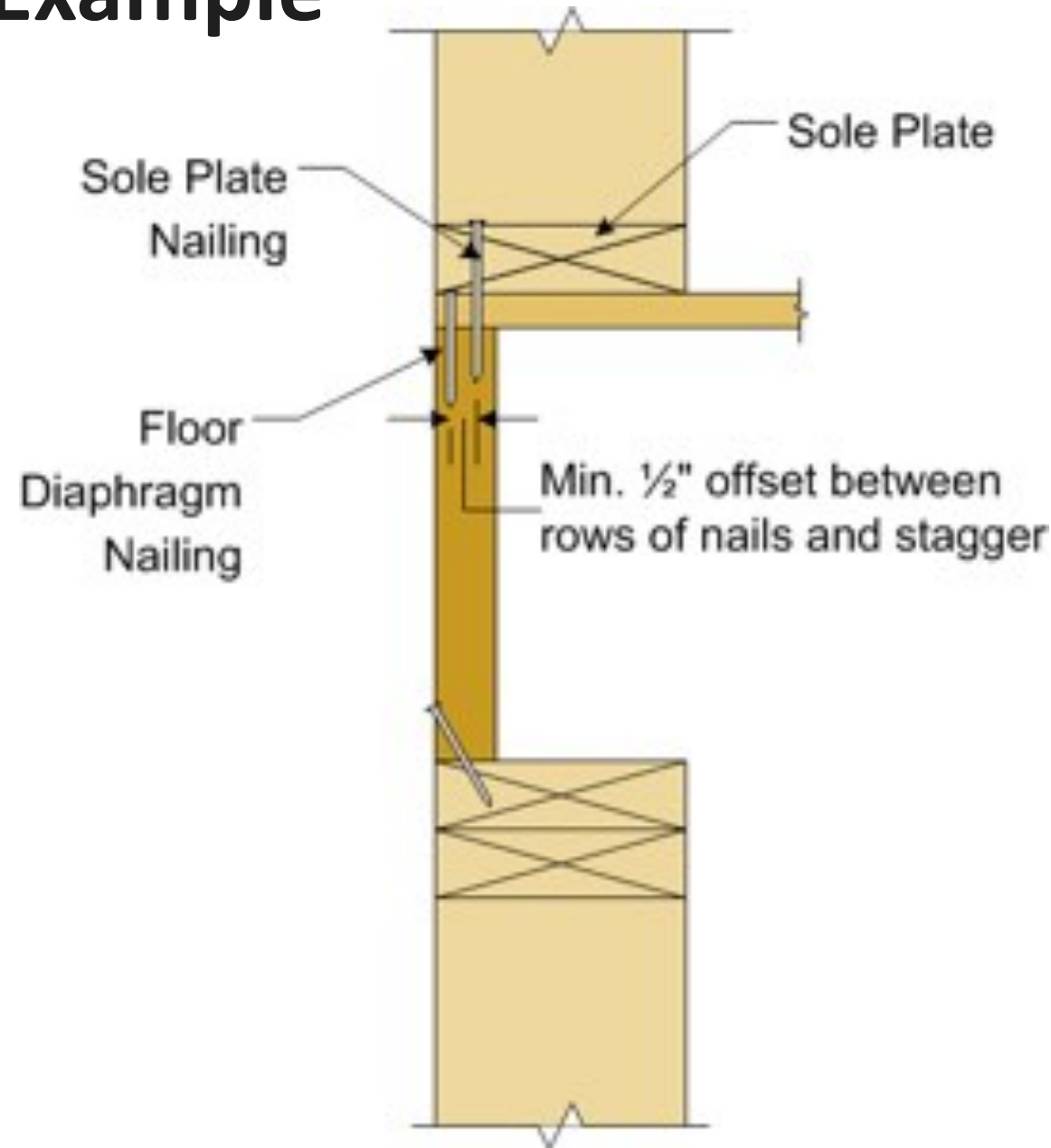
## Required Rim Thickness

- Specified by EOR
- Min. Edge Distance for nailing =  $2.5 \times$  nail diameter
- Min. 0.5" offset between rows
- Multiple shear wall sole plate nail rows require thicker rim
- Additional rim thickness provides more area for nail placement variance



# Lateral Load Transfer Design Example

- Shear wall transfers lateral load from sole plate to rim
- Floor diaphragm transfers lateral load to rim
- Wall transfers vertical load of upper framing with column concentrated vertical loads from wall headers, floor and roof girders



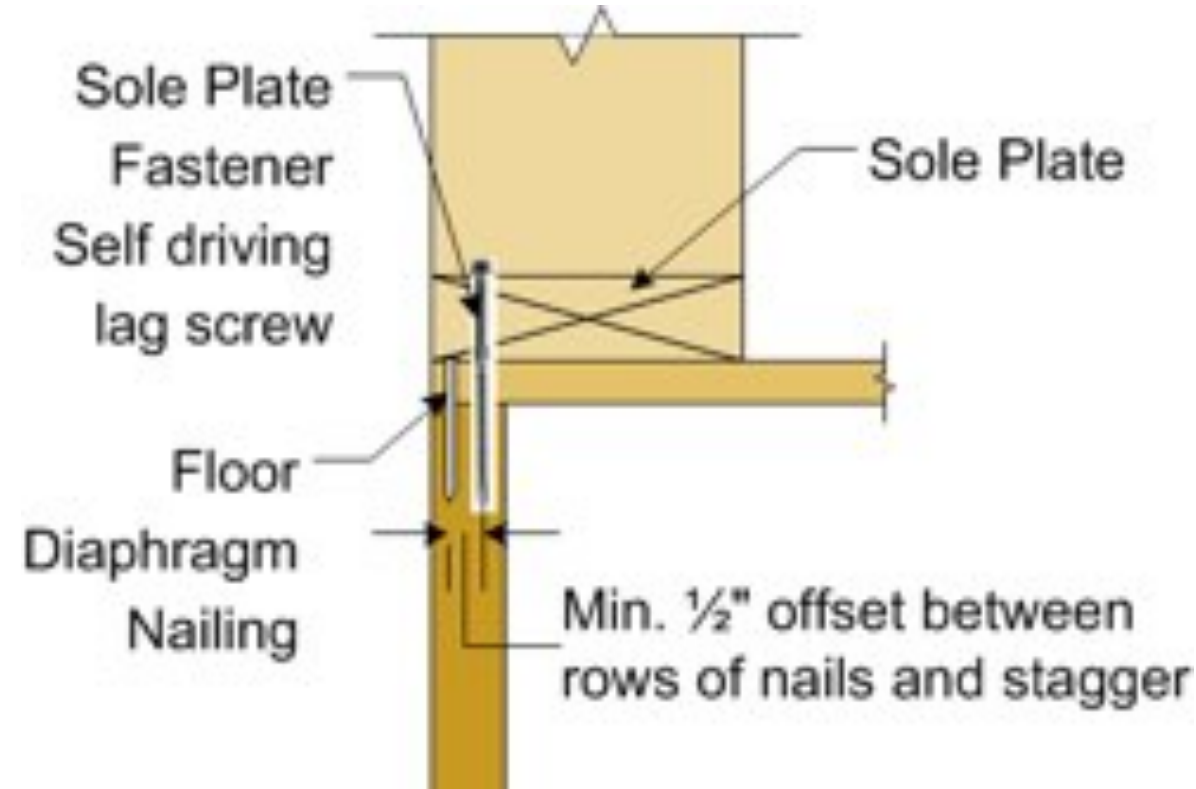
# Shear Wall to Rim

## Given:

Transfer of 550 lb/ft from shear wall sole plate to rim

## Solution:

- Use ¼" self driving screws:
  - Requires minimum 1 ¼" SCL rim
  - $Z = 190 \text{ lb} \cdot 1.6 = 304 \text{ lb}$
- Required Spacing:  $304 \text{ lb} / 550 \text{ lb/ft} = 0.55 \text{ ft}$  or 6.5 in
- 6.5 in > 6 in closest spacing per fastener manufacturer ✓

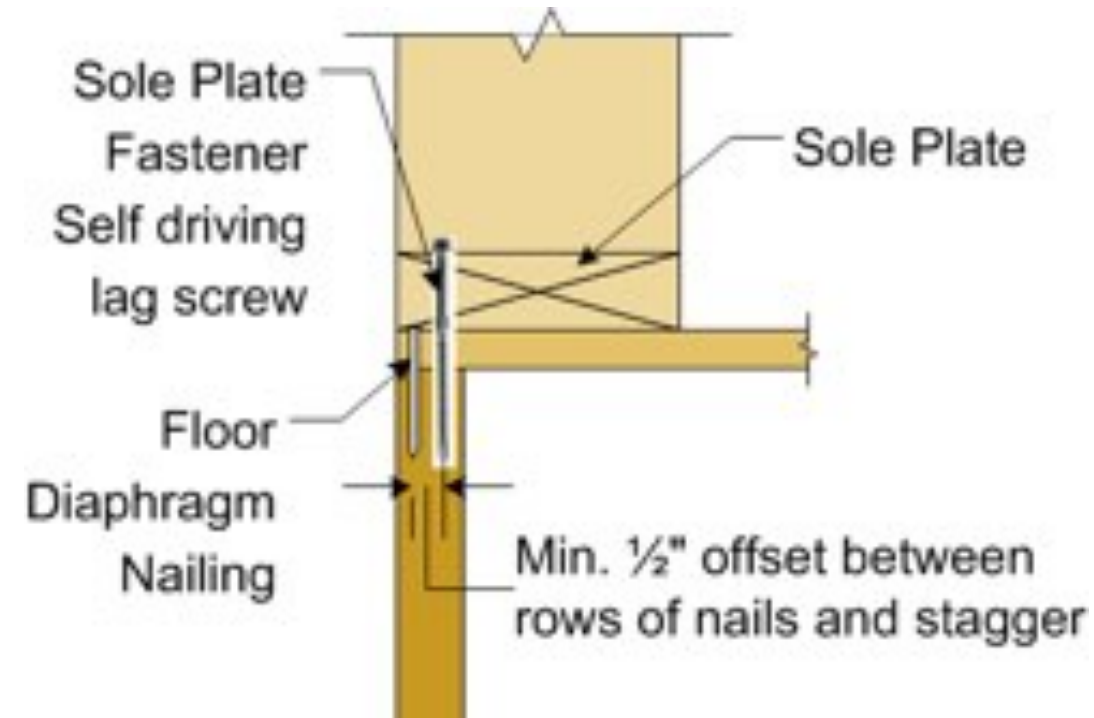


# Floor Diaphragm to Rim

Given: Floor diaphragm transfers 250 lb/ft to rim

Solution:

- Check I-joists for adequate diaphragm capacity
  - Per Table 4.2C – SDPWS
    - 8d common, 15/32" sheathing, 3" nominal width framing, Case 1, = 530 lb/ft
    - Per Section 4.3.2 for ASD:  $530 / 2 = 265 \text{ lb/ft} > 250 \text{ lb/ft}$
- Rim nailing: 8d common @ 6" o.c.
  - 6" > 4" closest spacing per rim manufacturer ✓



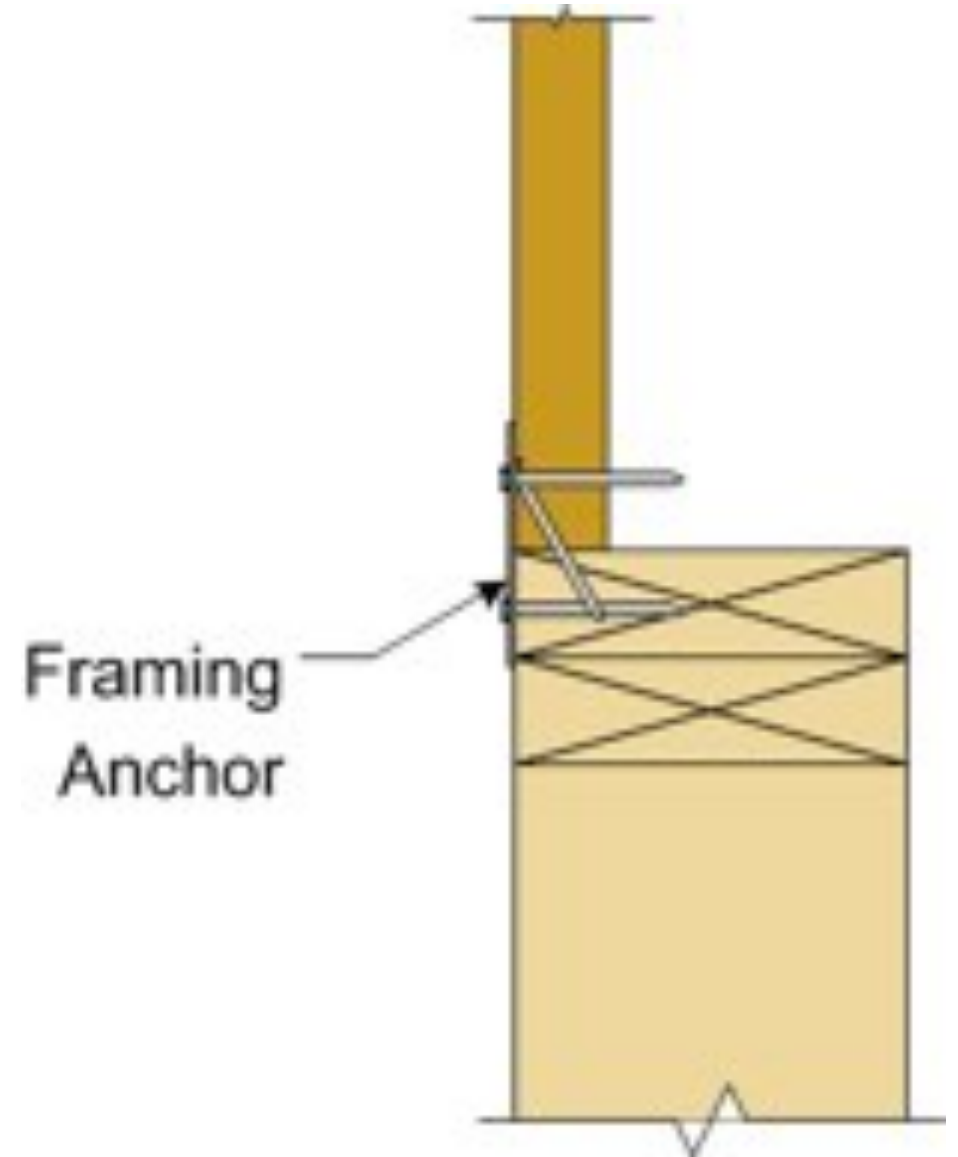
# Rim to Wall Below

## Given:

Total lateral load:  $550 + 250 = 800 \text{ lb/ft}$

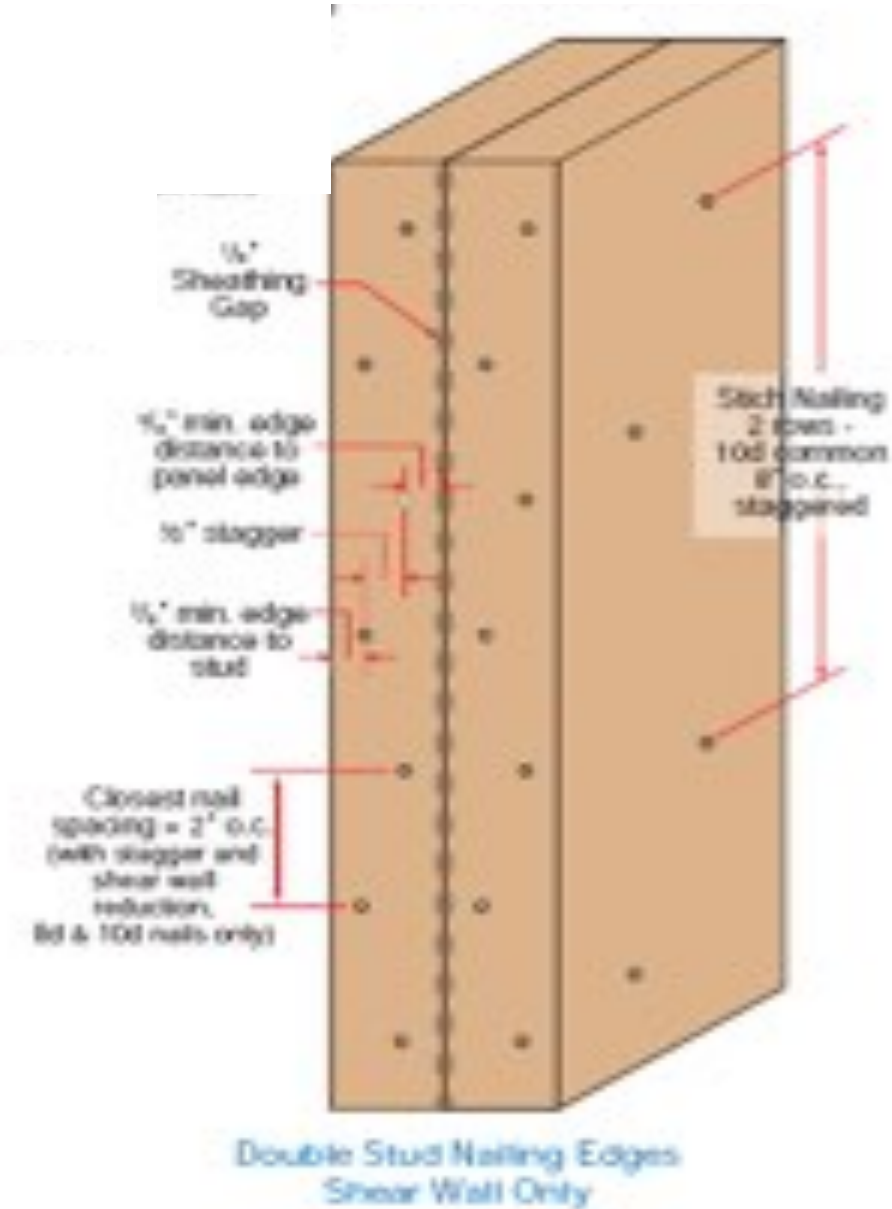
## Solution:

- Toe nailing:  $192 \text{ lb/ft}$  (8d @ 6" oc)
- Framing anchor =  $670 \text{ lb}$
- Spacing:  $670 \text{ lb} / (800 \text{ lb/ft} - 192 \text{ lb/ft}) = 1.1 \text{ ft}$  or  $14 \text{ in}$



# Shear Walls

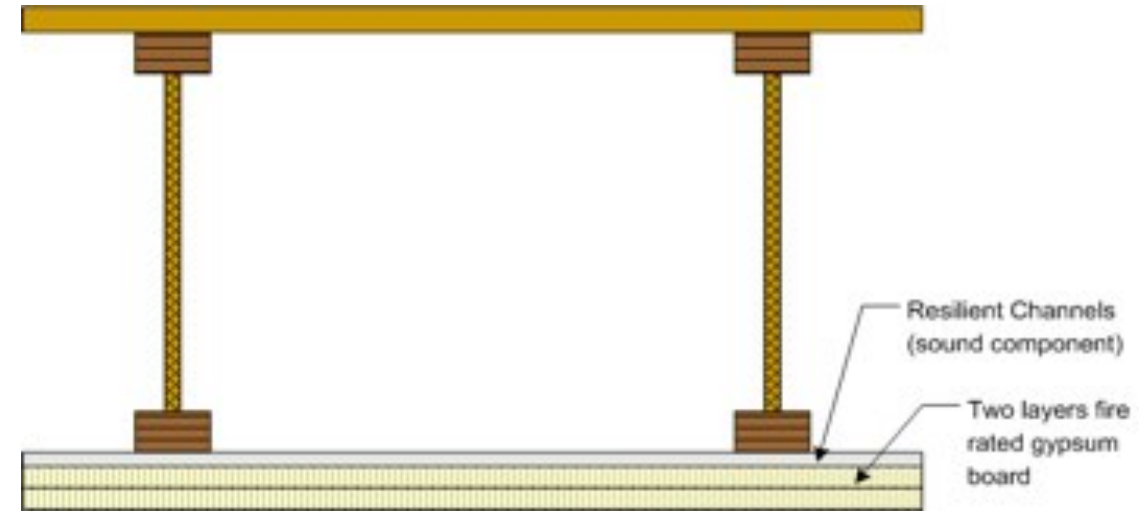
- SCL has limits for nail spacing into edge of product (similar to rim)
- Contact each manufacturers' engineering department for technical support



# Fire Resistance

## Flame Spread

- Surface flammability
- Required for exposed framing
- ASTM E84



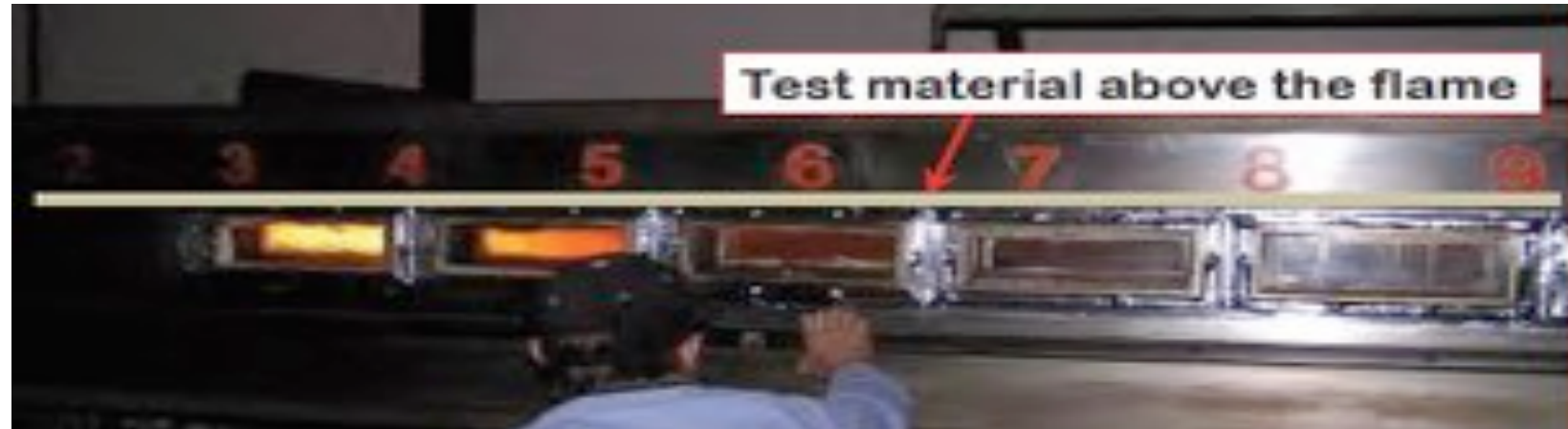
## Fire Endurance

- System resistance for floor/ceiling assemblies
- Product char rate
- ASTM E119 Fire Tests
- Higher severity of fire exposure



# Fire Resistance

## Flame Spread – Steiner Tunnel Test – ASTM E84

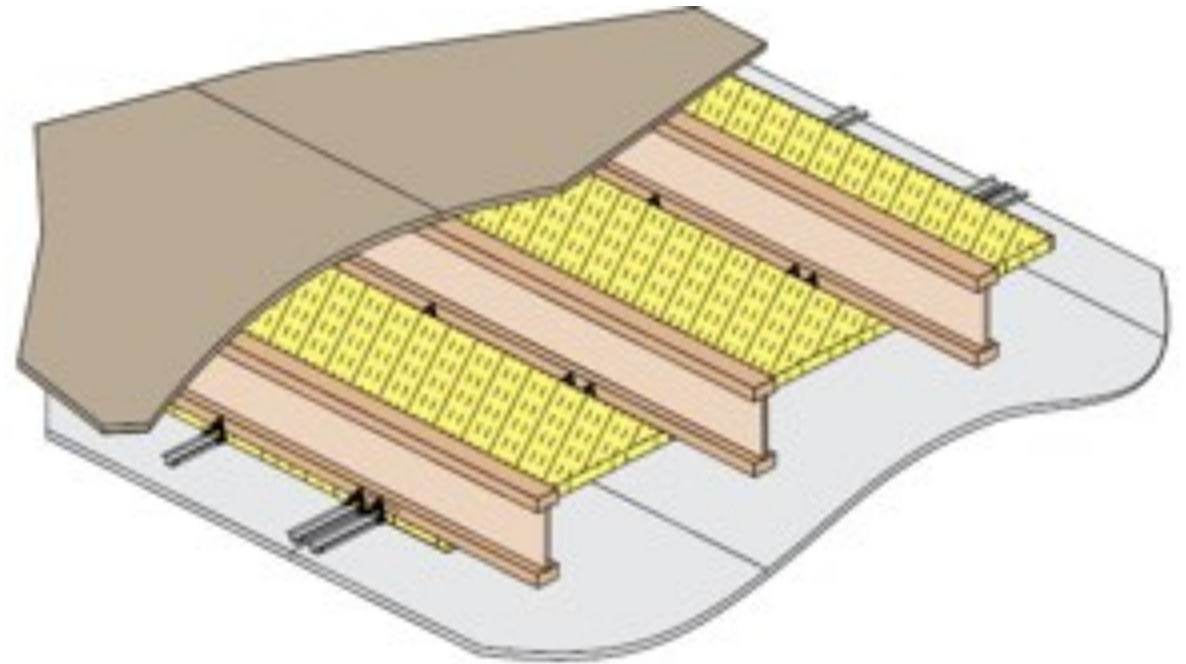
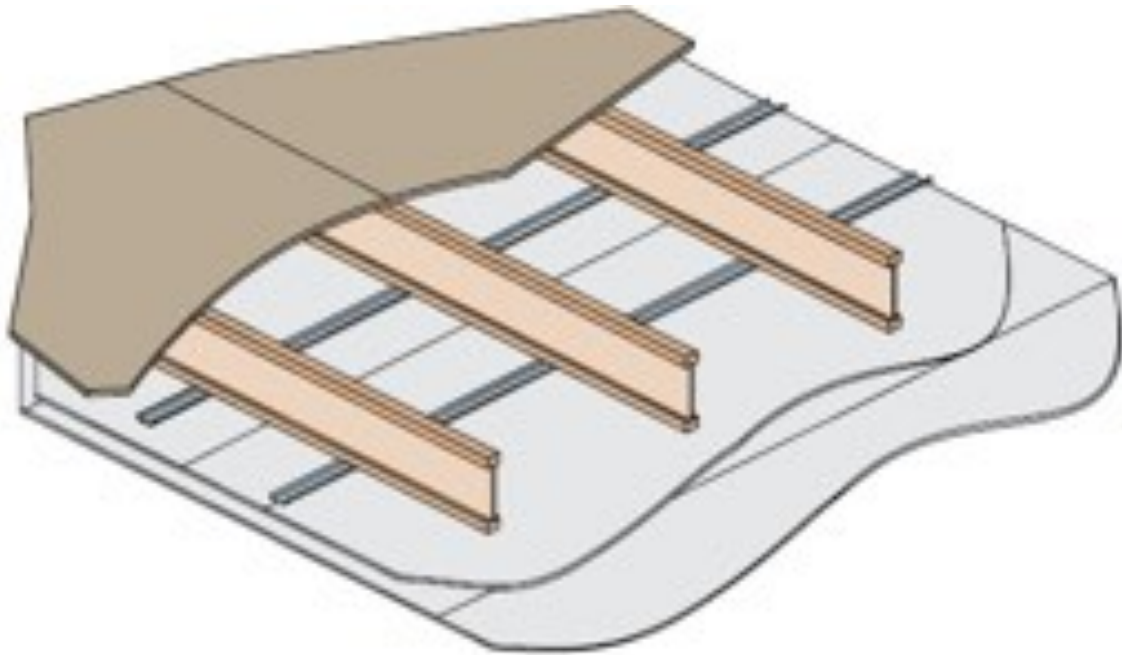


## Fire Endurance – ASTM E119



# Wood I-Joist Fire Assemblies

- Floor/ceiling assembly based on ASTM E-119 fire test (1 & 2 hour)
- Most common 1 hour assembly requires two layers of fire-rated gypsum board
- Single gypsum layer assemblies require additional fire resistance (mineral wool insulation, etc.)



# Fire Assembly Testing

Clockwise:

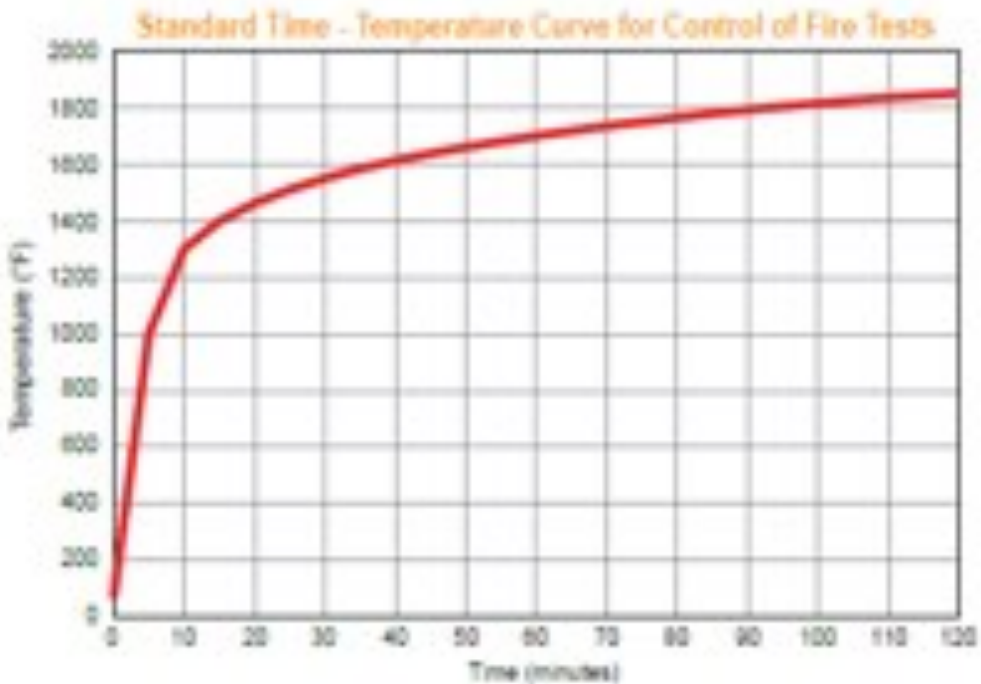
- 1) Framing of full scale floor
- 2) Ceiling components
- 3) GWB
- 4) Loading to 100% stress level



# Fire Assembly Testing: ASTM E-119

## Time – Temperature Curve

- 5:00: 1000 °F
- 10:00: 1300 °F
- 15:00: 1400 °F
- 30:00: 1500 °F
- 60:00: 1700 °F



# Wood I-Joist Fire Assemblies

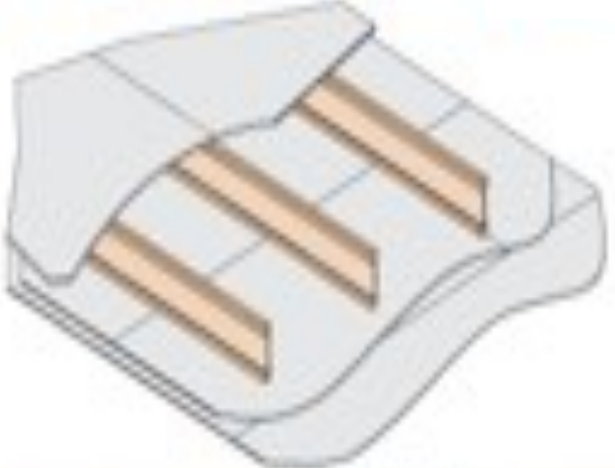
## Failure Modes

- Structural failure of joist
- Burn through of floor sheathing
- Temperature limit exceeded on decking

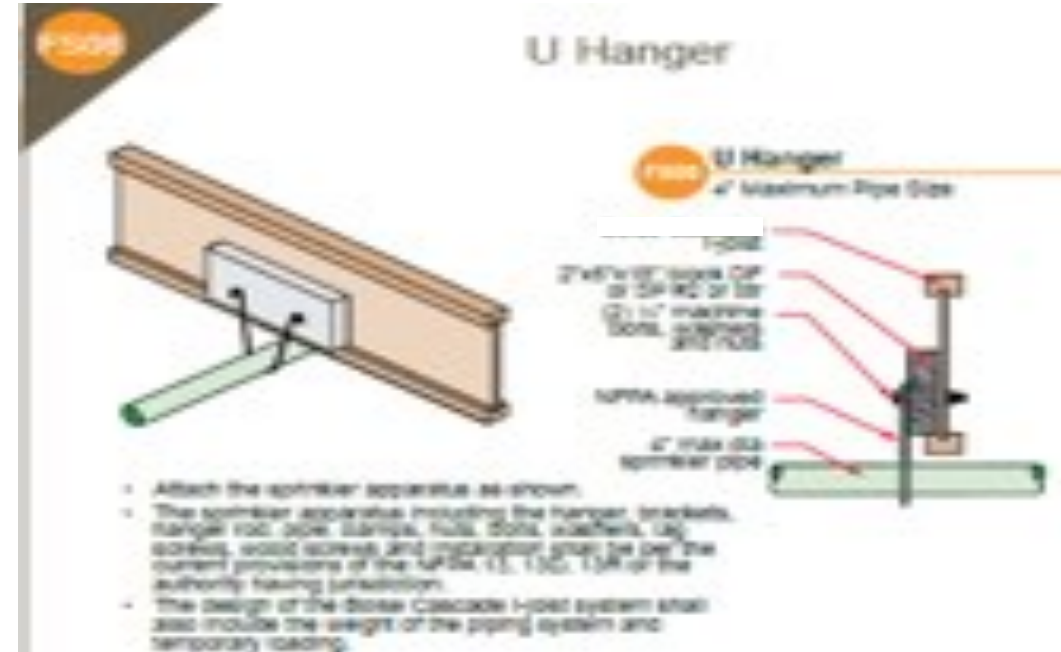
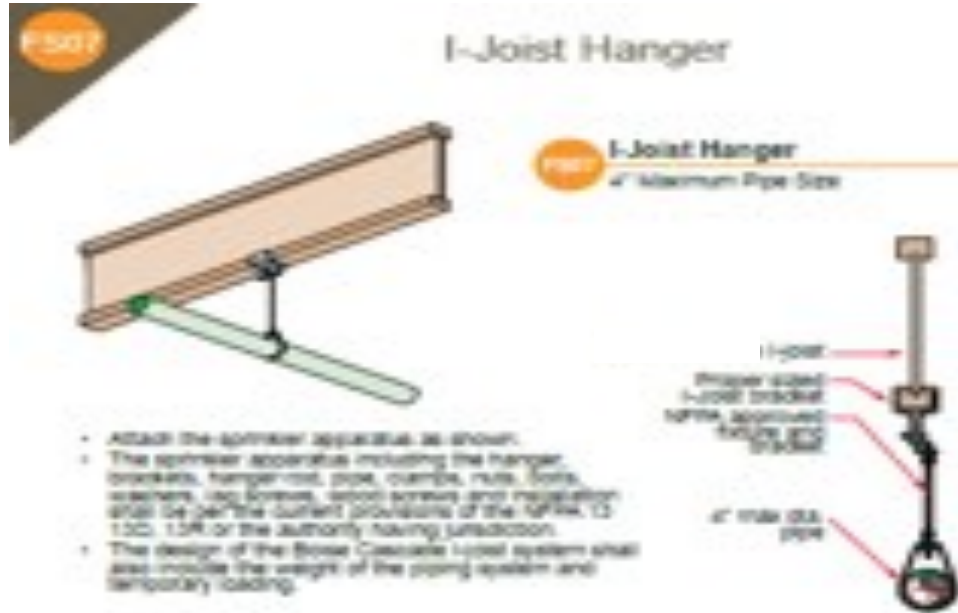


# Fire Resistance Assembly Listings

- IBC Chapter 7: Table 721.1(3), starting with assembly 23-1.1
- Manufacturers' ICC ES / APA evaluation reports
- American Wood Council DCA-3

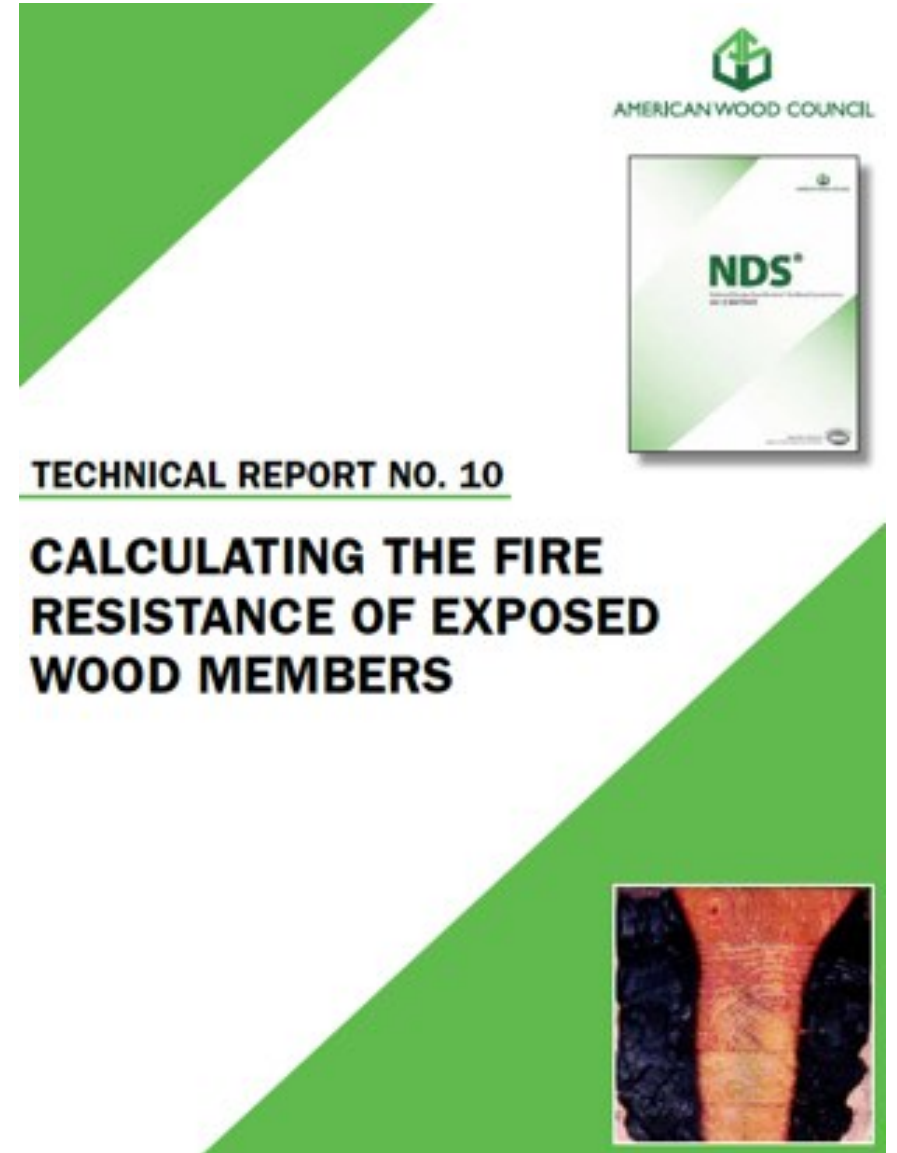
One-Hour Fire Resistance Rated Floor and Roof Assemblies	
Two Layers 5/8" Type X Gypsum Wallboard	
	
BASE ASSEMBLY	
Component	Material Specification
Floor Slabbing (Optional)	varies
Reference sound ratings: F1000	
Floor Sheathing	Min. 3/4" thick OSB and T&G Sheathing
A modified contact construction adhesive must be applied to the top of the joists prior to placing sheathing. The sheets shall be installed with their long edge perpendicular to the joists with end joints centered over the top flange of joists and staggered one joint spacing with adjacent sheets. Floor sheathing must be installed per code requirements.	
Insulation (Optional)	Class II or III Insulation
Reference sound ratings: F1000	
Structural Decking	Min. 2" thick 2 (1/2") Deep Joists
Maximum 24 inch (610 mm) on center spacing. Minimum flange dimensions of 1 1/2 inch (38 mm) thick by 1 1/2 inch (38 mm) wide.	
Reinforced Concrete (Optional)	Min. 5.00 inch (127 mm) Unreinforced Reinforced Concrete
Reinforcement perpendicular to the bottom flange of the joist with 1/4 inch (6 mm) Type S structural screws. Channels are spaced a maximum of 16 inches (406 mm) on center or 14 inches (354 mm) on center when joists are spaced a maximum of 16 inches on center.	
Ceiling	2 Layers of 5/8 inch (16 mm) Type X Gypsum Wallboard

# Wood I-Joist Fire Sprinkler Attachments

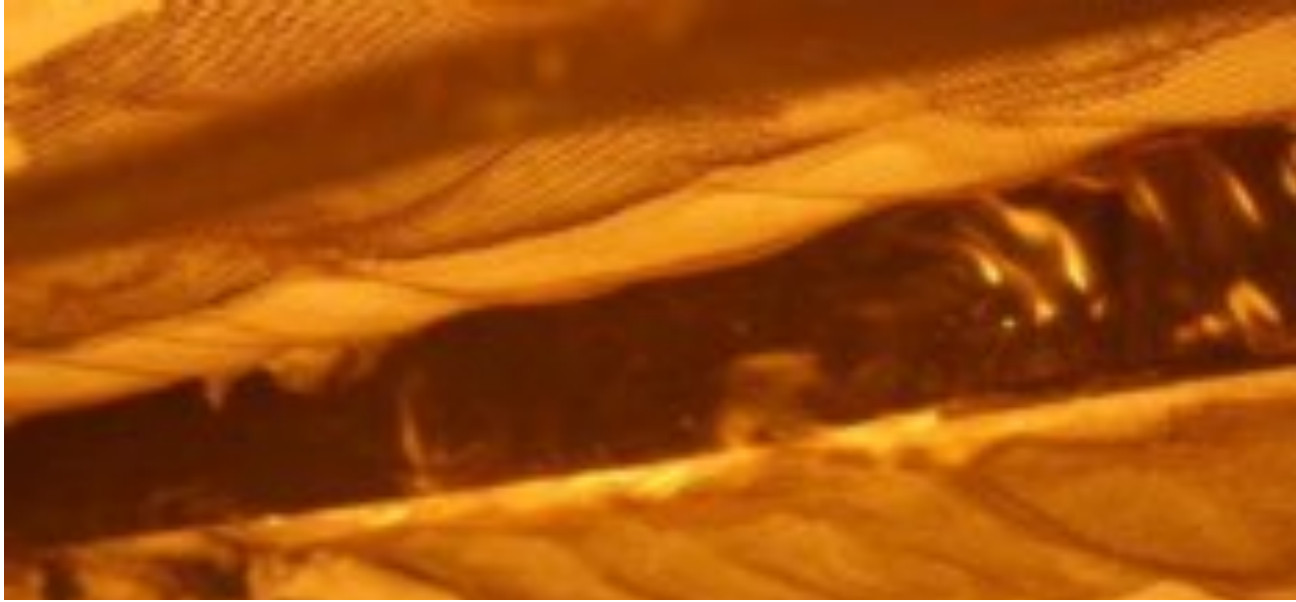


# SCL Fire Design

- SCL has the same char rate as solid timber
- Methodology prescribed in NDS Chapter 16
- Simple design procedure based on research, calculate endurance time of a wood member exposed to standard fire based upon:
  - the size of wood beam or column
  - percent of maximum allowable design load applied.
- More information – American Wood Council: TR10

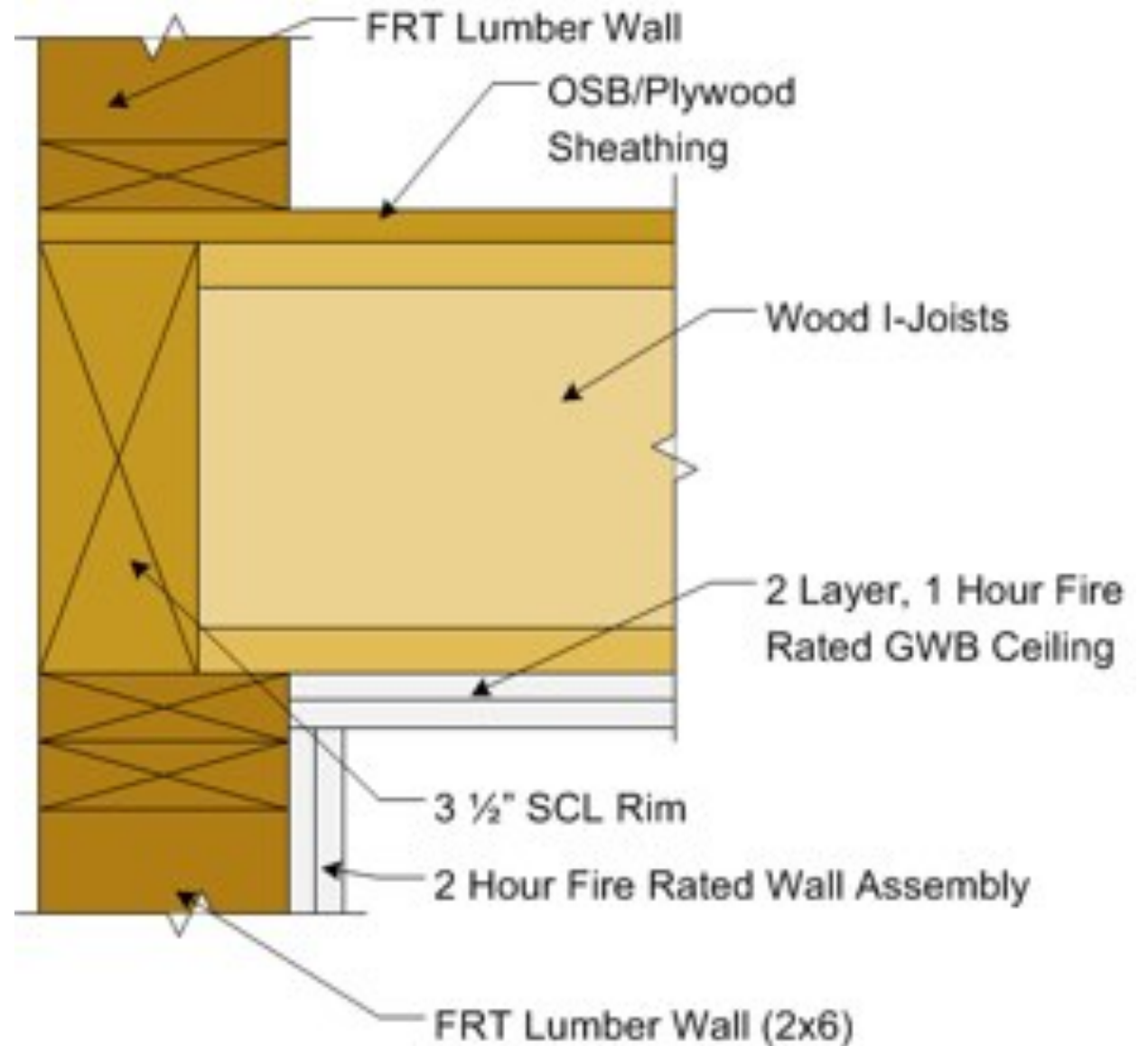


# SCL Fire Testing



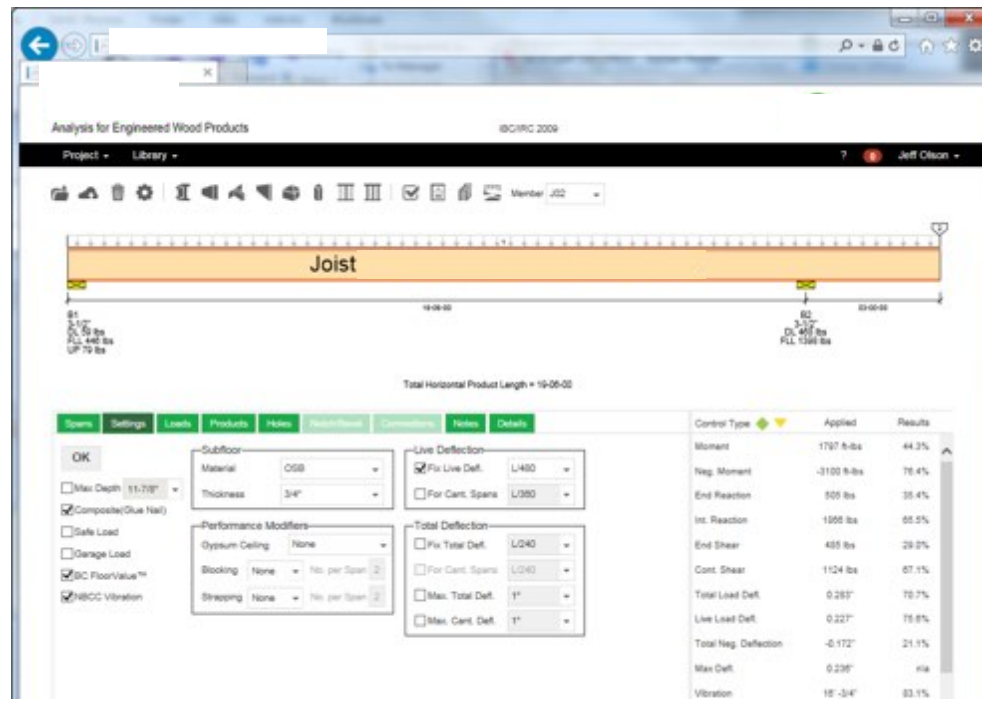
# Type IIIA Wall / Floor Intersection

- Thicker SCL rim in lieu of FRT
- Methodology published in AWC DCA3: Fire-Resistance-Rated Wood-Frame Wall and Floor/Ceiling Assemblies



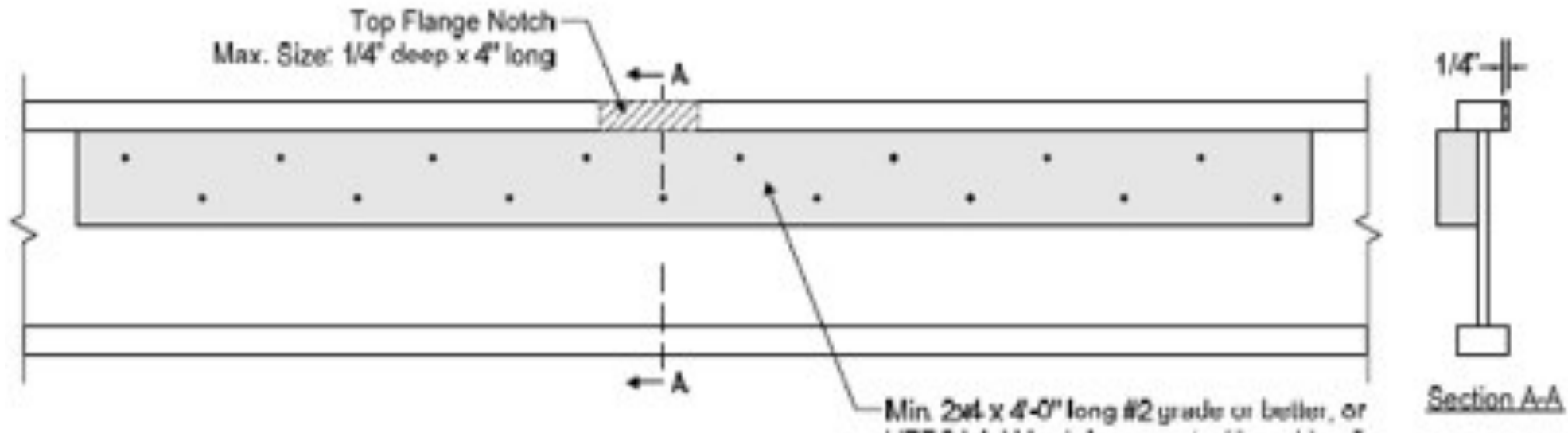
# EWP Design Resources

- APA The Engineered Wood Association
  - Installation/Application Information
- Individual EWP manufacturers
  - Technical Literature
  - Design Software



# Manufacturers' Engineering Departments

- Technical services including: structural repairs, application review, product acceptance
- Available for all specifiers and building officials



# > QUESTIONS?

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