



A New Path Forward for Tall Wood Construction + INTRO Cleveland Tour

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Tall Timber Building Design: Acoustics, Connections and Fire Protection

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80 M St | Photo: Hickok Cole | Architect: Hickok Cole

13 tall wood projects already under construction or built.

Carbon 12
Portland, OR
8 stories mass timber

Ascent
Milwaukee, WI
25 stories – 19 mass timber

11 E Lenox
Boston, MA
7 stories mass timber

Heartwood
Seattle, WA
8 stories mass timber

Bakers Place
Madison, WI
15 stories – 12 mass timber

80 M Street
Washington DC
10 stories – 3-story mass
timber vertical addition

Minnesota Places
Portland, OR
8 stories – 7 mass timber

INTRO
Cleveland, OH
9 stories – 8 mass timber

Apex Plaza
Charlottesville, VA
8 stories – 6 mass timber

Bunker Hill Housing
Boston, MA
6 stories mass timber

TimberView
Portland, OR
8 stories mass timber

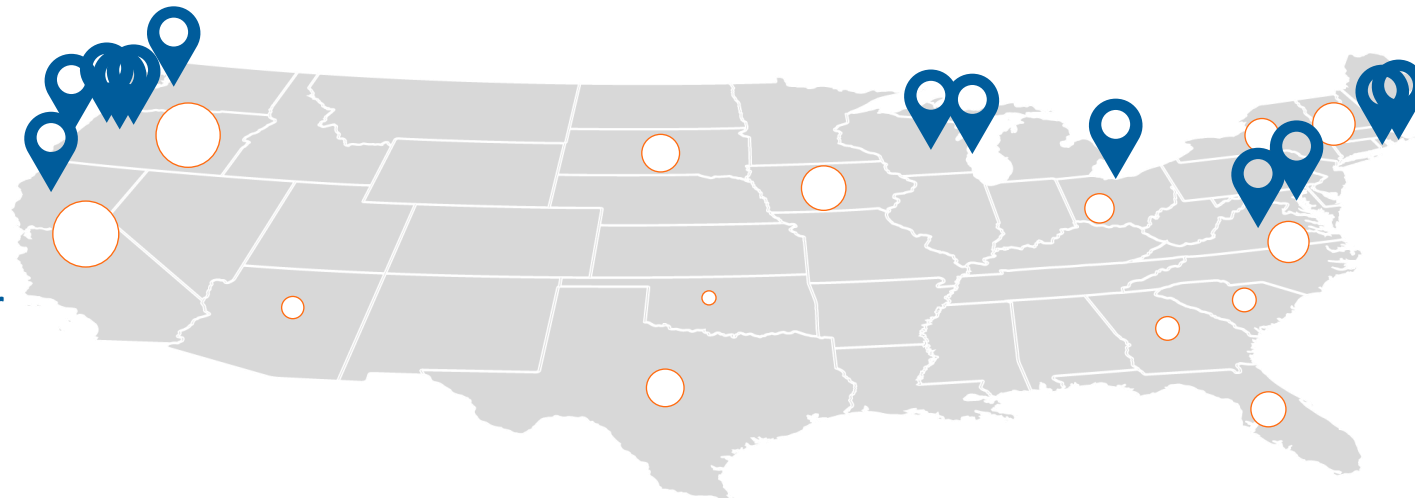
1510 Webster
Oakland, CA
18 stories – 16 mass timber

2057 SW Park
Portland, OR
12 stories mass timber



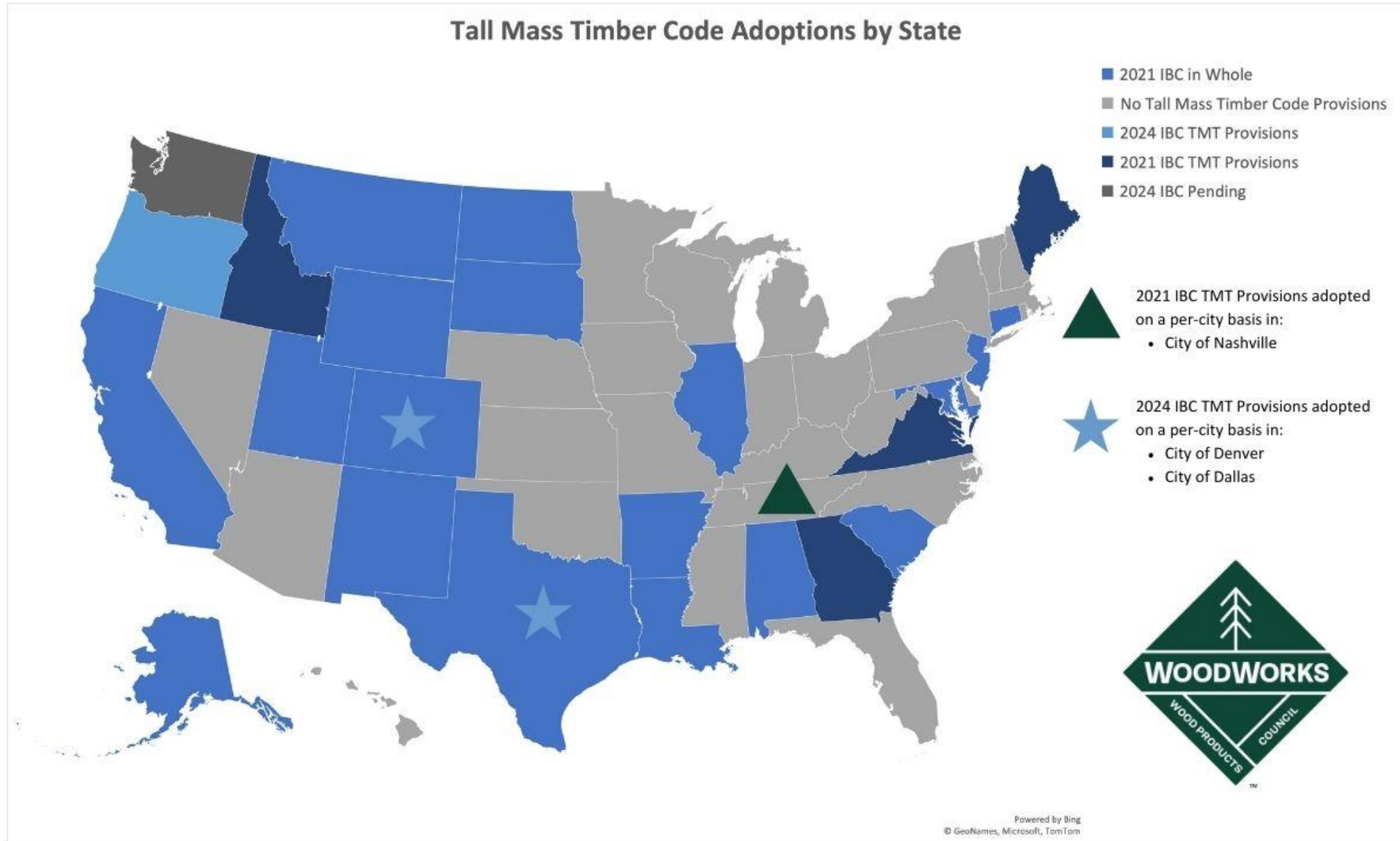
TALL WOOD

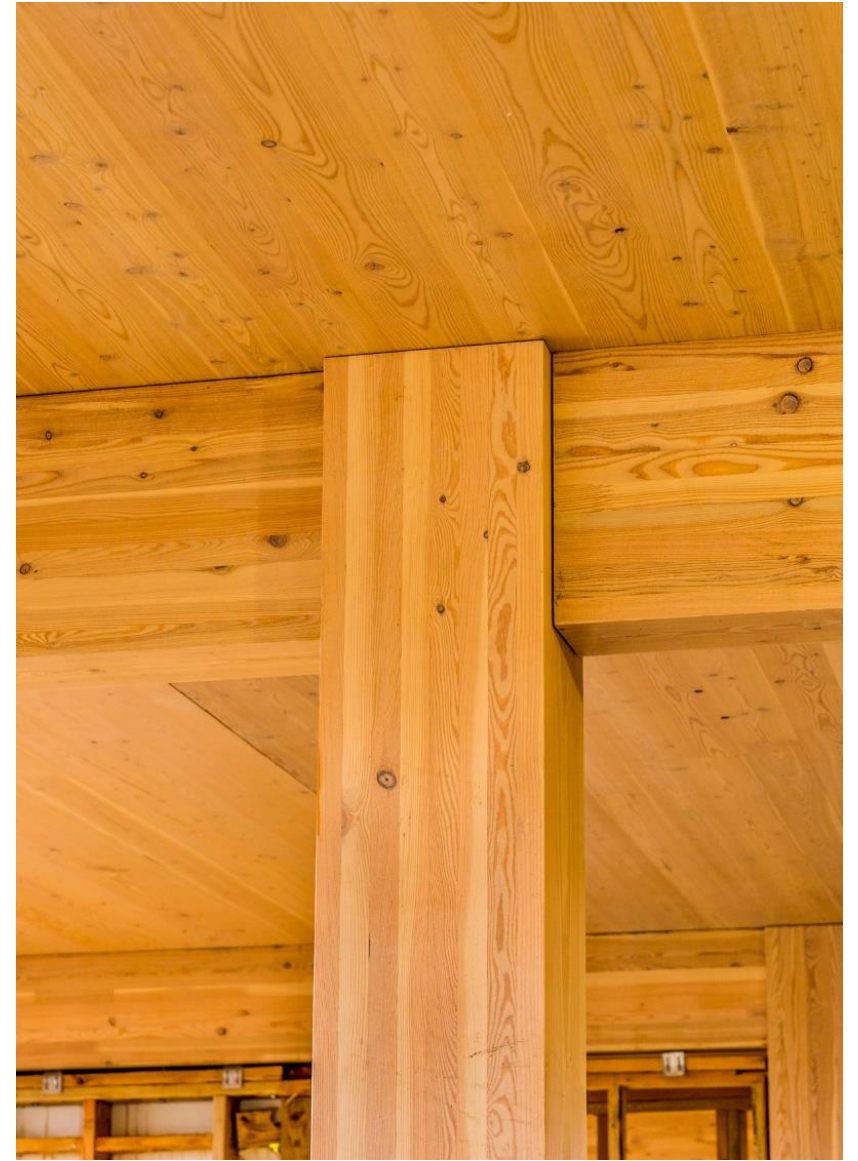
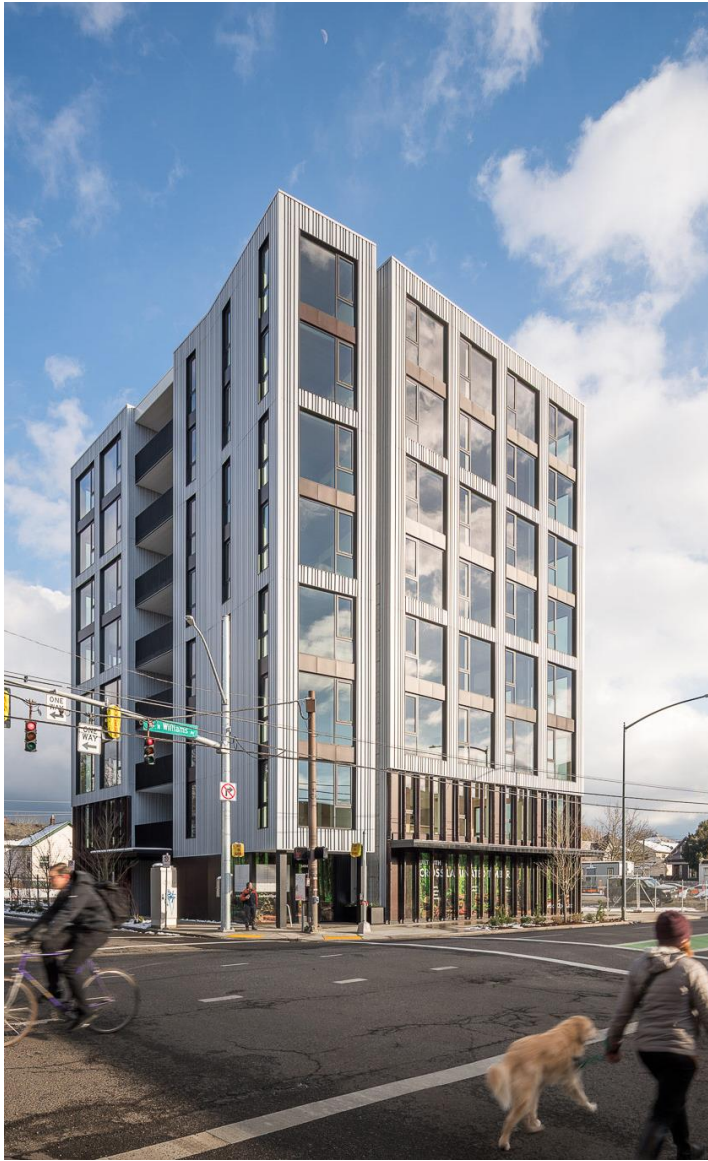
- = 20 in-design tall wood projects
- = tall wood project in construction or completed



**WoodWorks is
supporting 207
tall wood projects
in design**

TALL MASS TIMBER CODE ADOPTIONS





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CARBON12, PORTLAND, OR

8 STORIES | 85 FT

INTRO, CLEVELAND

9 Stories | 115 ft
8 Timber Over 1 Podium

512,000 SF

297 Apartments, Mixed-Use

Photo: Harbor Bay Real Estate Advisors, Image Fiction | Architect: Hartshorne Plunkard Architecture

ASCENT, MILWAUKEE



Photo: Korb & Associates Architects |
Architect: Korb & Associates Architects



ASCENT, MILWAUKEE

25 STORIES

19 TIMBER OVER 6 PODIUM, 284 FT

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ASCENT, MILWAUKEE

493,000 SF

259 APARTMENTS, MIXED-USE

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80 M ST, WASHINGTON, DC



80 M ST, WASHINGTON, DC

An architectural rendering of a modern multi-story building. The building features a prominent wooden over-build structure with multiple levels, including a large central staircase and various seating areas. The building is situated in an urban environment, with other buildings and a street visible in the background. The sky is clear and blue.

3 STORY OVER-BUILD
ON EXISTING 7 STORY BUILDING

Photo: Hickok Cole | Architect: Hickok Cole

80 M ST, WASHINGTON, DC

100,000 SF

**2 NEW LEVELS OF CLASS A OFFICE SPACE
OCCUPIED PENTHOUSE
17'-0" CEILING HEIGHTS**

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NIR CENTER, PORTLAND, OR



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NIR CENTER, PORTLAND, OR

10 STORIES
Type IV-B Construction
Hybrid Mass Timber + Steel

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Architects

NIR CENTER, PORTLAND, OR

An architectural rendering of a modern, open-plan interior space. The room features a high ceiling with a wooden slat design and several pendant lights, including a large circular one. Large windows on the left side offer a view of the outdoors. The space is furnished with contemporary seating, including a long black bench, a grey sofa, and a small orange chair. People are shown in various activities: a woman sits on the orange chair writing, a man sits on the black bench talking on a phone, another man sits on the black bench, a woman sits on the grey sofa, and a man and woman walk towards the right. The floor is a mix of grey carpet and patterned rugs.

~400,000 SF

235,000 SF Laboratory Space

25,000 SF Office Space

Ground Floor Retail

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APEX CLEAN ENERGY HQ

CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA

187,000 SF

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APEX CLEAN ENERGY HQ

CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA

8 STORIES
6 TIMBER OVER 2 PODIUM, 100 FT



PRIMARY OFFICE SPACE

1510 WEBSTER, OAKLAND

19 STORIES

17 TIMBER OVER 2 PODIUM



Photo: WoodWorks
Architect/Developer: oWOW

Type IV-A

Point Supported Mass Timber Floors

1510 WEBSTER, OAKLAND

19 STORIES

17 TIMBER OVER 2 PODIUM

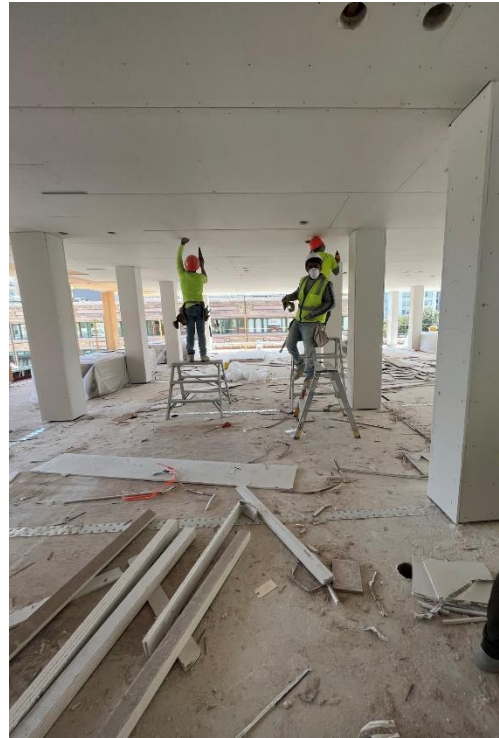
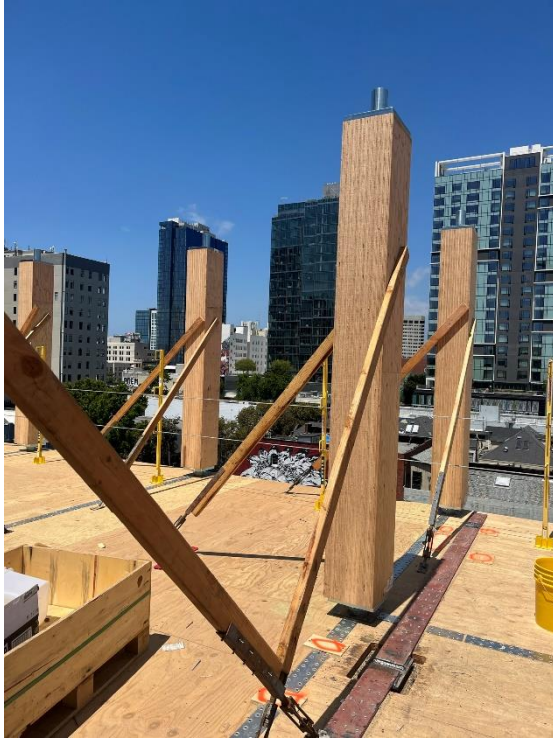


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Type IV-A

Point Supported Mass Timber Floors

2057 SW PARK, PORTLAND

12 STORIES

Affordable Housing



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DOES TALL WOOD = HIGH RISE?

Photo: Ema Peter

Mid-Rise vs. High-Rise

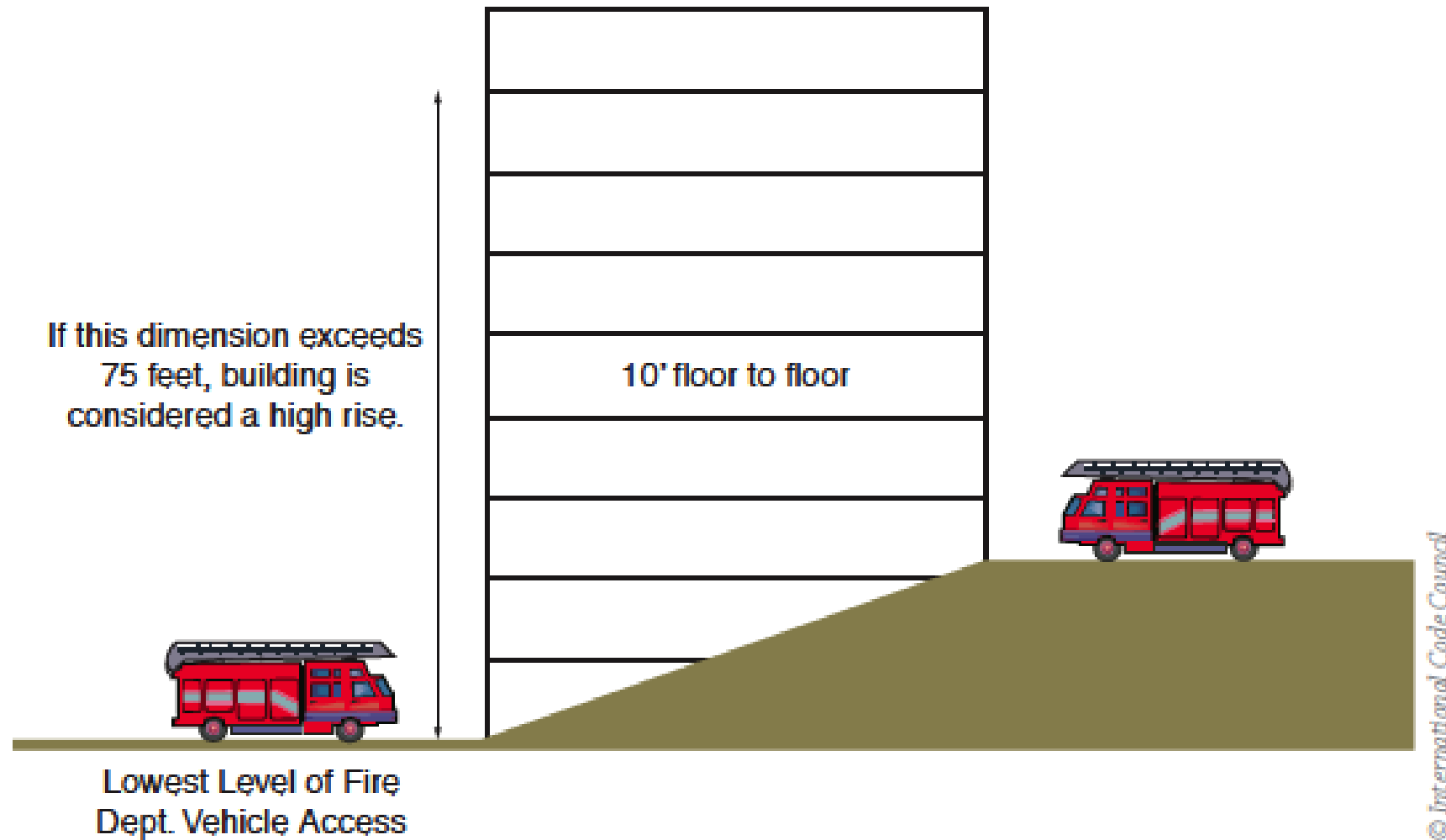


FIGURE 6-6 Determination of high-rise building

A repeating pattern of fire sprinklers is visible in the background of the left half of the slide.

Sprinklers in High Rises

- **Two Water Mains Required if:**
 - Building Height Exceeds 420 ft, or
 - **Type IV-A and IV-B buildings that exceed 120 ft in height**



An aerial photograph of a tall wood building under construction. The image shows a grid of vertical wooden columns and horizontal wooden beams forming the lateral system. The structure is made of light-colored wood. In the background, other buildings and a street are visible. The text "LATERAL SYSTEMS IN TALL WOOD" is overlaid in the center. The logo "STRUCTURLAM" is visible on some of the horizontal beams.

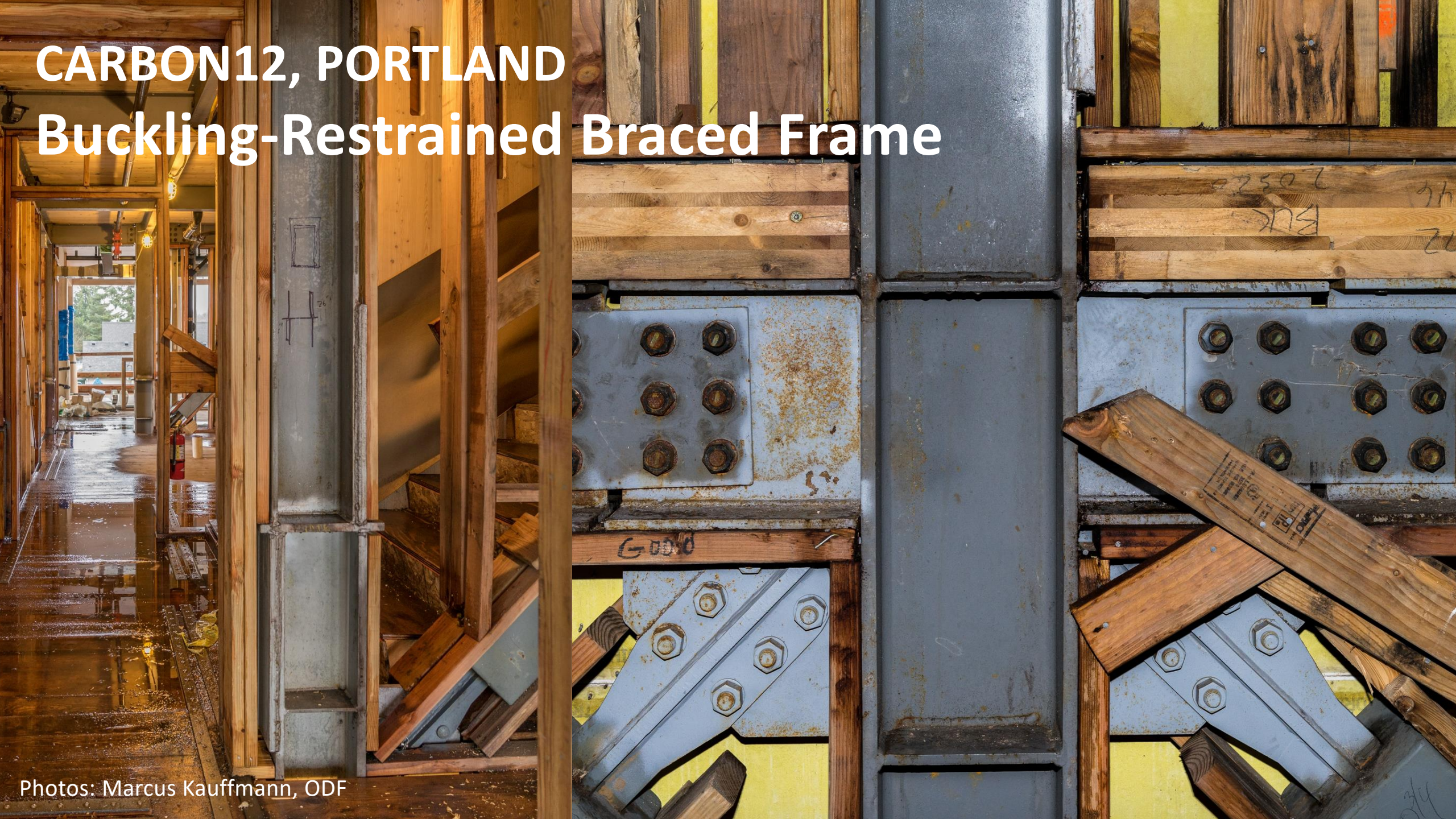
LATERAL SYSTEMS IN TALL WOOD



INTRO, CLEVELAND Concrete Core Shearwalls

CARBON12, PORTLAND

Buckling-Restrained Braced Frame

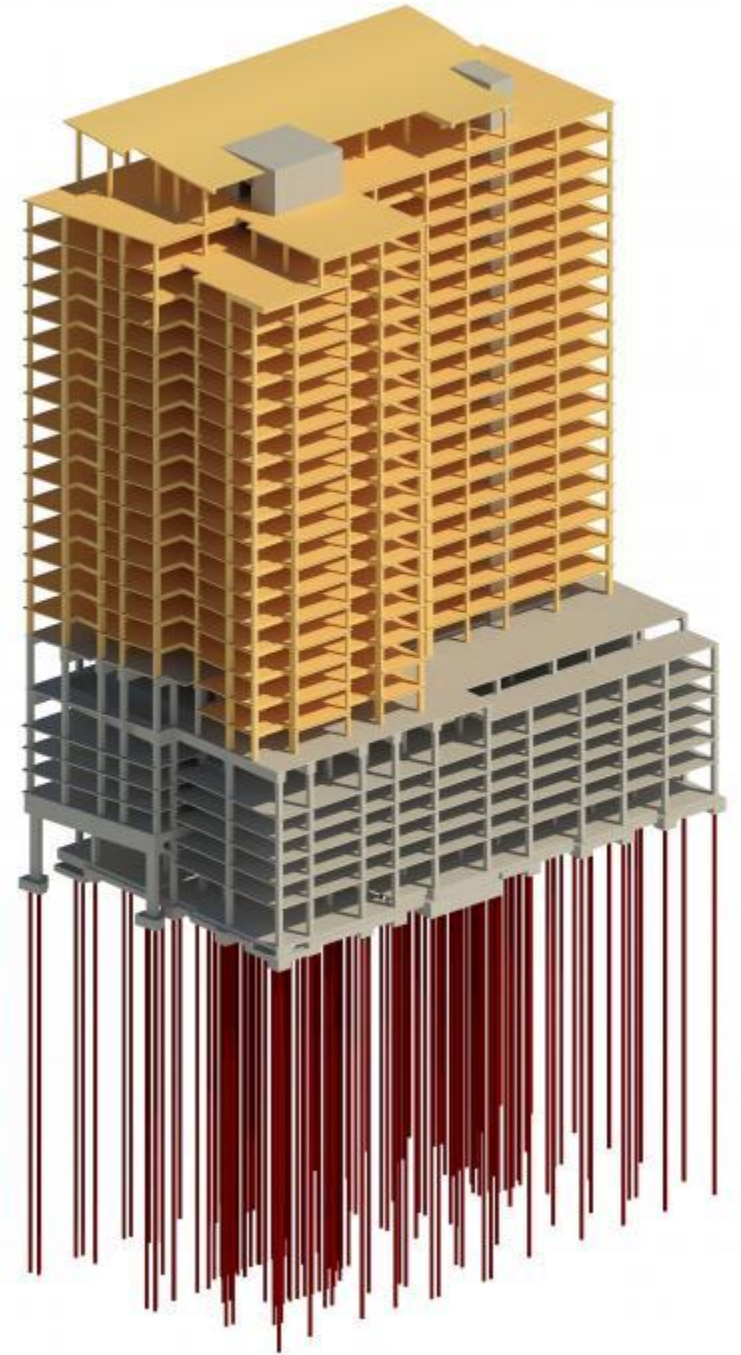


ASCENT, MILWAUKEE

Concrete Core Shearwalls



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BROCK COMMONS, VANCOUVER

Concrete Core Shearwalls



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FUTURE POTENTIAL LATERAL SYSTEM FOR TALL WOOD



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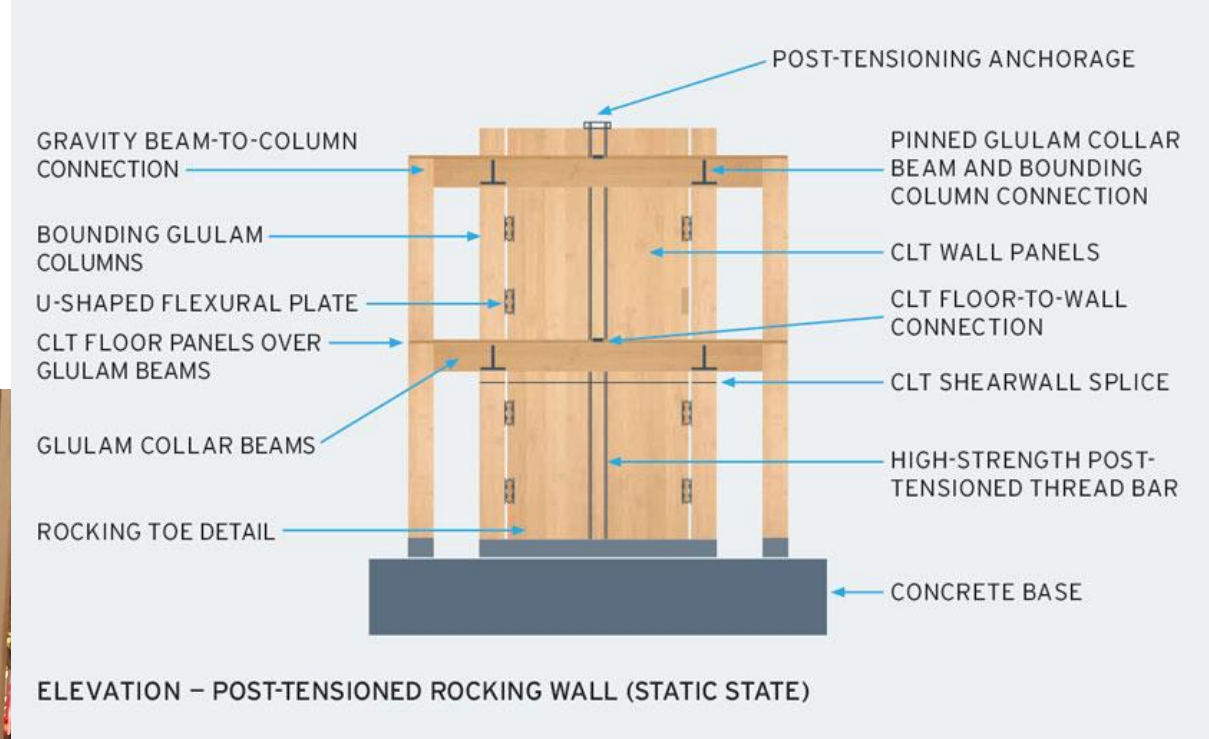


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Mass Timber Rocking Shearwalls

CONSIDERATIONS FOR LATERAL SYSTEMS

Prescriptive Code Compliance

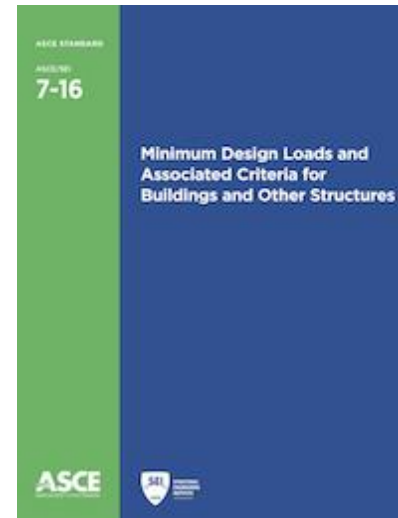
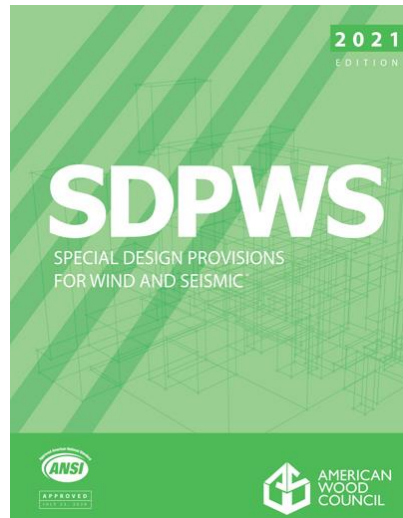
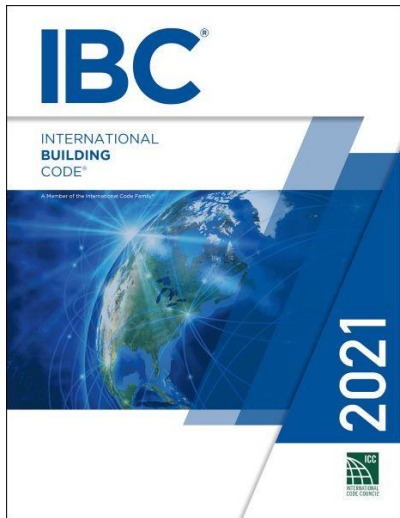
Concrete Shearwalls ✓

Steel Braced Frames ✓

CLT Shearwalls (65 ft max) ✓

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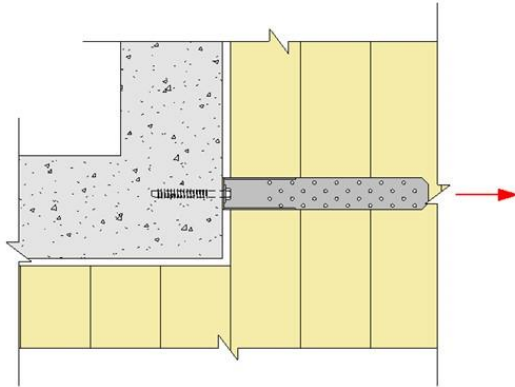
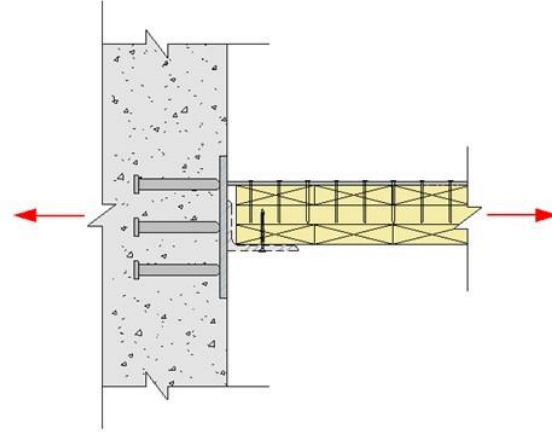
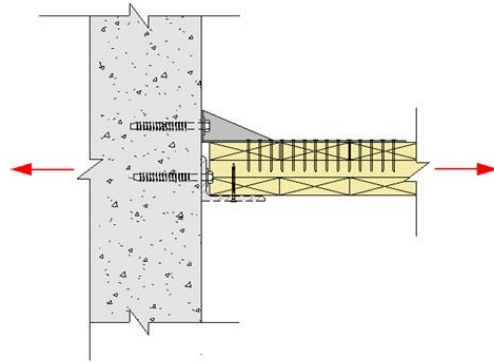
CLT Rocking Walls ✗



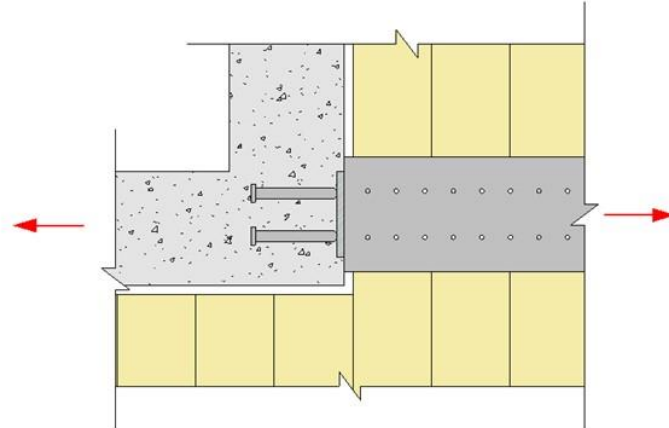
CONSIDERATIONS FOR LATERAL SYSTEMS

Connections to concrete core

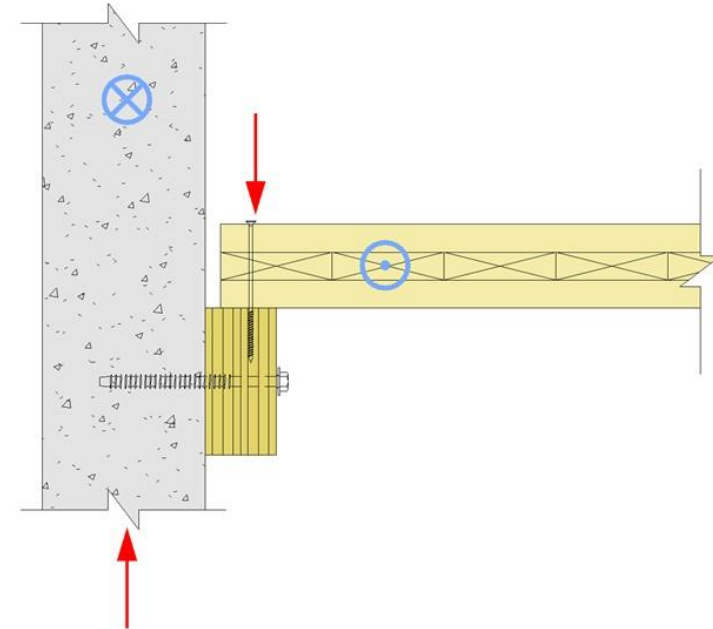
- Tolerances & adjustability
- Drag/collector forces



PLAN VIEW



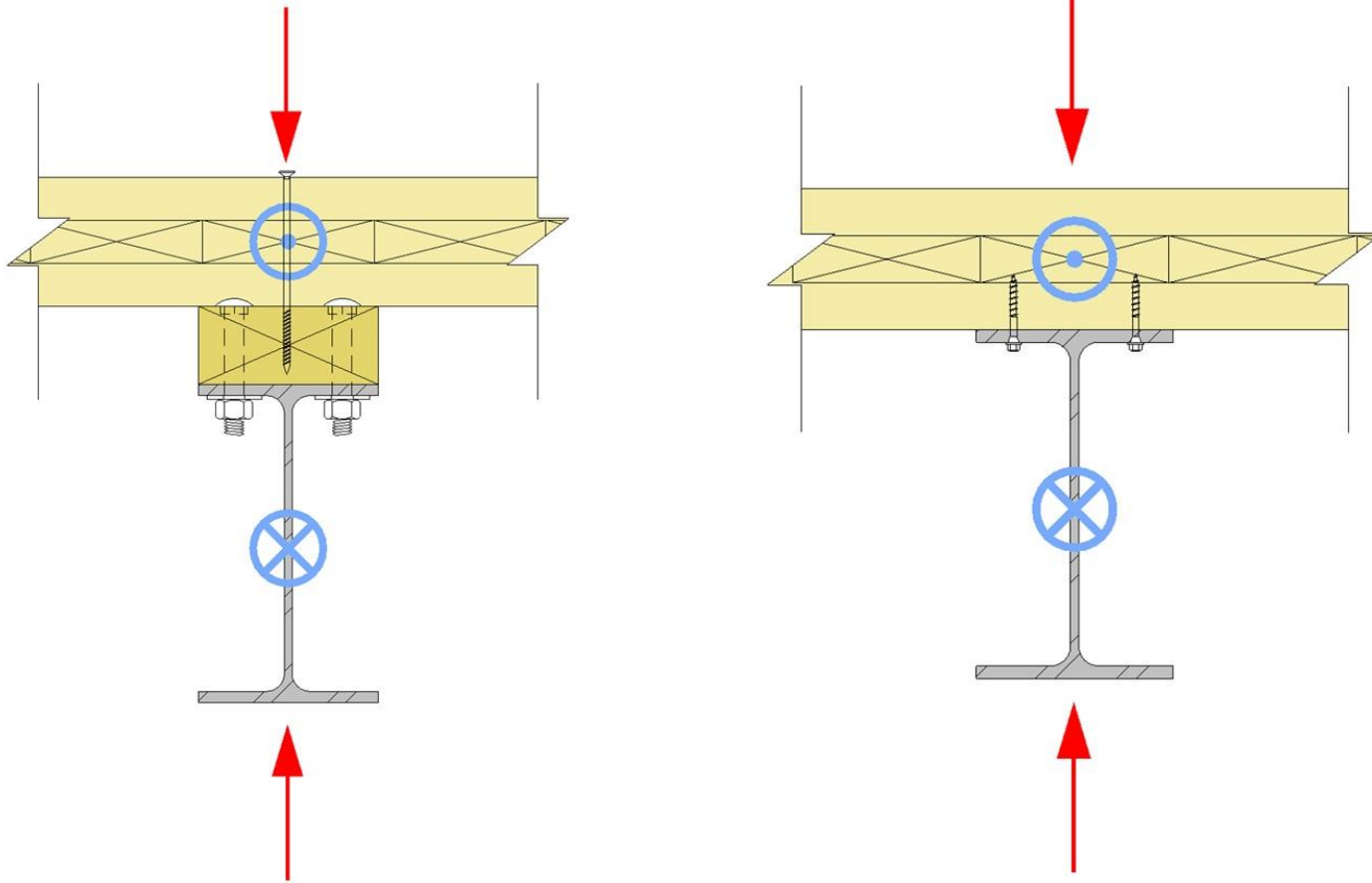
PLAN VIEW



CONSIDERATIONS FOR LATERAL SYSTEMS

Connections to steel frame

- Tolerances & adjustability
- Ease of installation



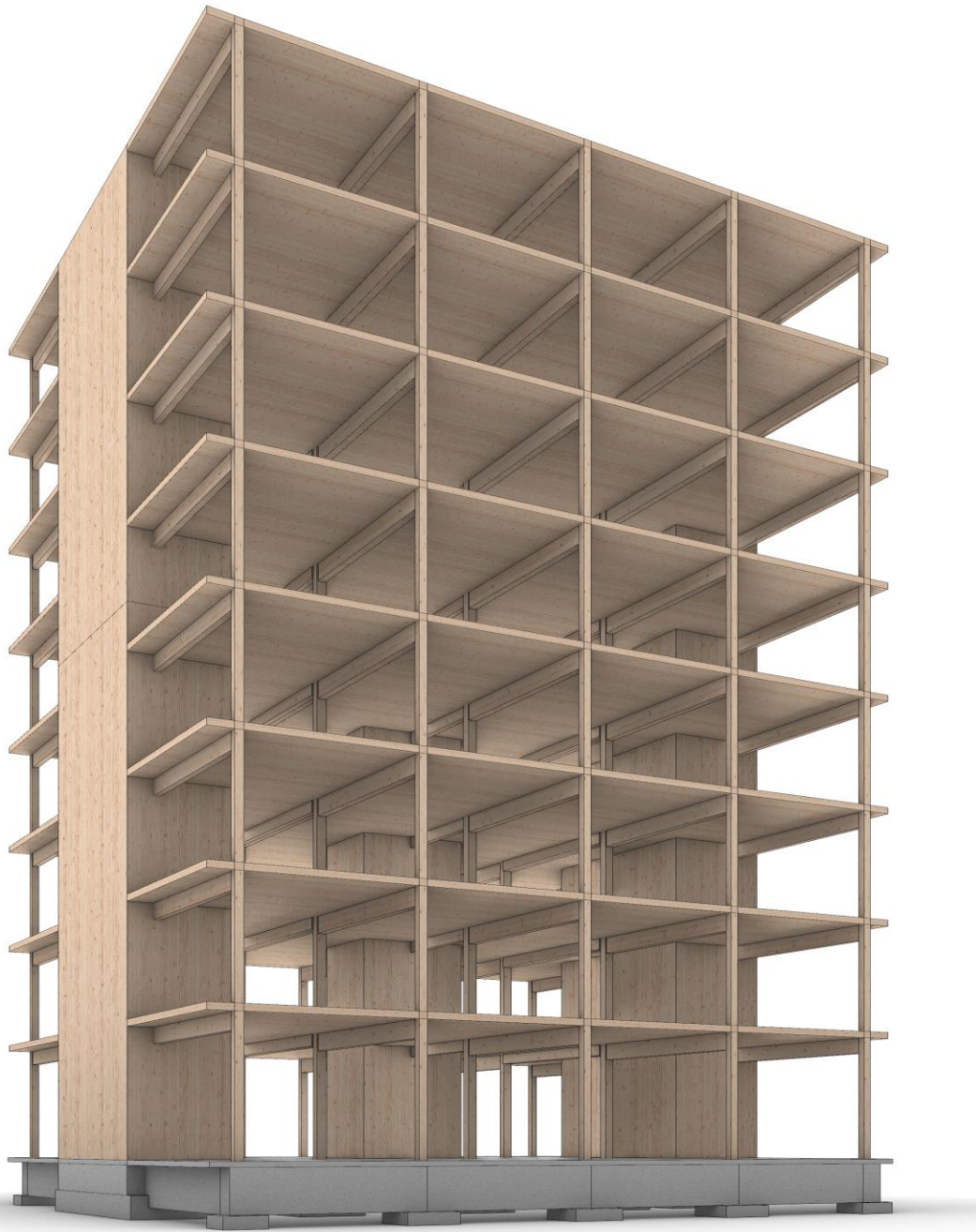
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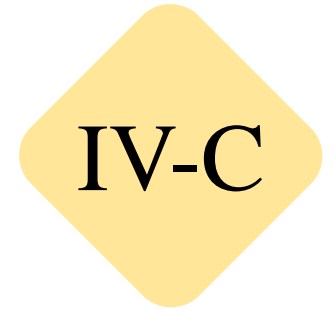
SHAFT ENCLOSURES

Shaft Enclosures in Tall Timber...

- **When can shaft enclosures be MT?**
- **What FRR requirements exist?**
- **If shaft enclosure is MT, is NC req'd?**



Tall Wood Shaft Enclosures



Exit & Hoistway Enclosures

E&H Enclosures FRR

Up to 12 Stories or 180 ft:
MT protected with 2
layers 5/8" type X gyp (if
2 HR req'd) OR
3 layers 5/8" type X gyp
(if 3 HR req'd) both sides

Above 12 Stories or 180
ft: Noncombustible
shafts (IBC 2021 602.4)

NC or MT protected
with 2 layers 5/8"
type X gyp (IBC 2021
602.4.2.6) both
sides

NC or MT protected
with 1 layer 5/8" type
X gyp (IBC 602.4.3.6)
both sides

2 HR (not less than FRR of floor assembly penetrated, IBC 713.4)

TECHNICAL BRIEF

Shaft Wall Requirements in Tall Mass Timber Buildings

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The 2021 International Building Code (IBC) introduced three new construction types—Type IV-A, IV-B and IV-C—which allow tall mass timber buildings. For details on the new types and their requirements, see the WoodWorks paper, *Tall Wood Buildings in the 2021 IBC – Up to 18 Stories of Mass Timber*.¹ This paper builds on that document with an in-depth look at the requirements for shaft walls, including when and where wood can be used.

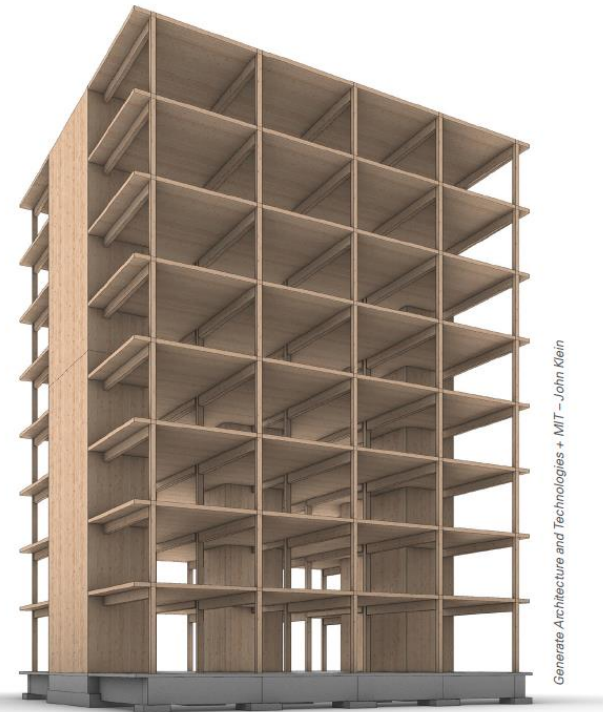
Shaft Enclosure Requirements in the 2021 IBC

A shaft is defined in Section 202 of the 2021 IBC as “an enclosed space extending through one or more stories of a building, connecting vertical openings in successive floors, or floors and roof.” Therefore, shaft enclosure requirements apply to stairs, elevators, and mechanical/electrical/plumbing (MEP) chases in multi-story buildings. While these applications may be similar in their fire design requirements, they tend to differ in terms of their assemblies, detailing, and construction constraints.

Shaft enclosures are specifically addressed in IBC Section 713. However, because shaft enclosure walls must be constructed as fire barriers per Section 713.2, many shaft wall requirements reference provisions for fire barriers found in Section 707.

Allowable Shaft Wall Materials

Provisions addressing materials permitted in shaft wall



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A relatively new category of wood products, mass timber can

Shaft Enclosure Design in Tall Timber

utilizing construction Types IV-A, IV-B, or IV-C is that they be constructed of either mass timber or noncombustible

Structural elements of Type IV construction primarily of



CONNECTIONS IN TALL WOOD

Photo: Structurlam

Connection Fire Protection

In Construction Types IV-A, IV-B & IV-C, building elements are required to be FRR as specified in IBC Tables 601 and 602. Connections between these building elements must be able to maintain FRR no less than that required of the connected members.

16.3 Wood Connections

Wood connections, including connectors, fasteners, and portions of wood members included in the connection design, shall be protected from fire exposure for the required fire resistance time. Protection shall be provided by wood, fire-rated gypsum board, other approved materials, or a combination thereof.

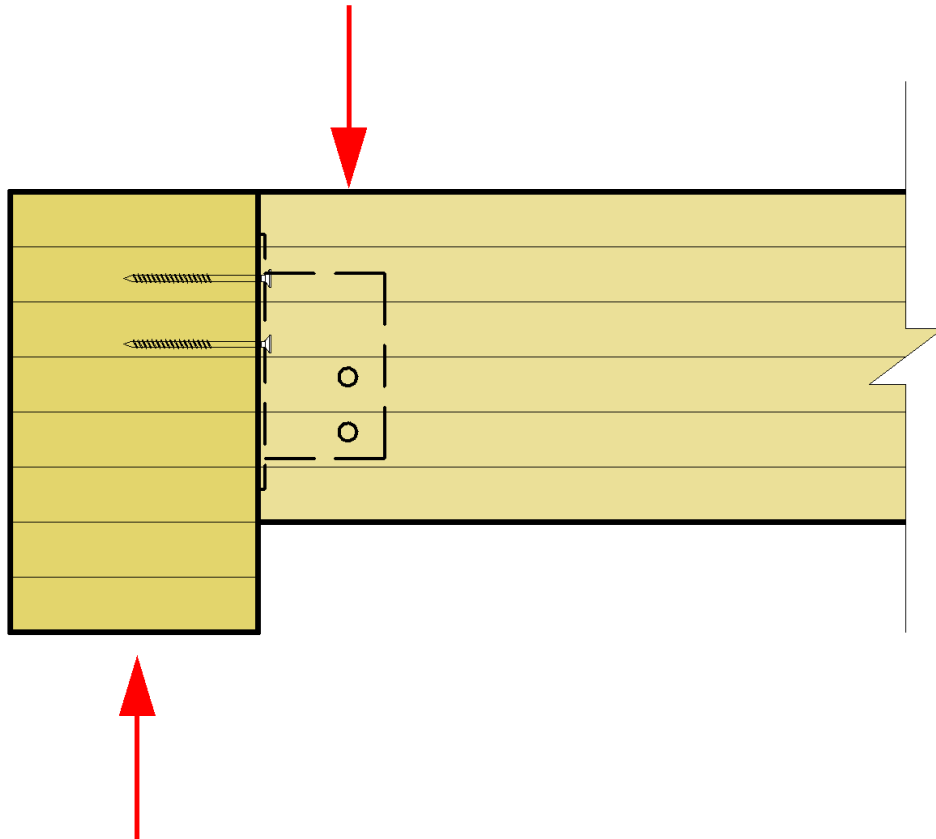
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Connection Fire Protection

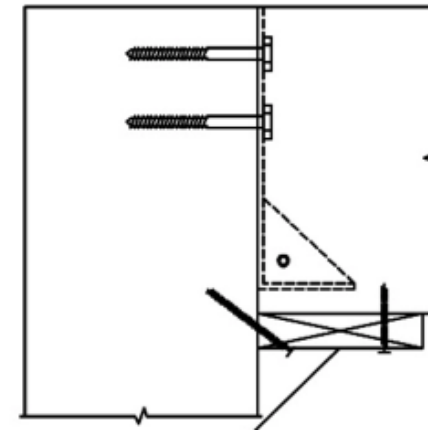
Steel hangers/hardware fully concealed within a timber to timber connection is a common method of fire protection



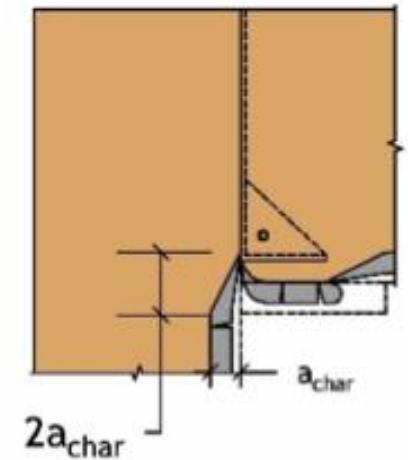
Fire Resistance of Connections

2304.10.1 Connection fire resistance rating. Fire resistance ratings in Type IV-A, IV-B, or IV-C construction shall be determined by one of the following:

1. Testing in accordance with Section 703.2 where the connection is part of the fire resistance test.
2. Engineering analysis that demonstrates that the temperature rise at any portion of the connection is limited to an average temperature rise of 250° F (139° C), and a maximum temperature rise of 325° F (181° C), for a time corresponding to the required fire resistance rating of the structural element being connected. For the purposes of this analysis, the connection includes connectors, fasteners, and portions of wood members included in the structural design of the connection.



Source: AWC's TR 10



Connection Fire Protection

Many ways to demonstrate connection fire protection: calculations, prescriptive NC, test results, others as approved by AHJ



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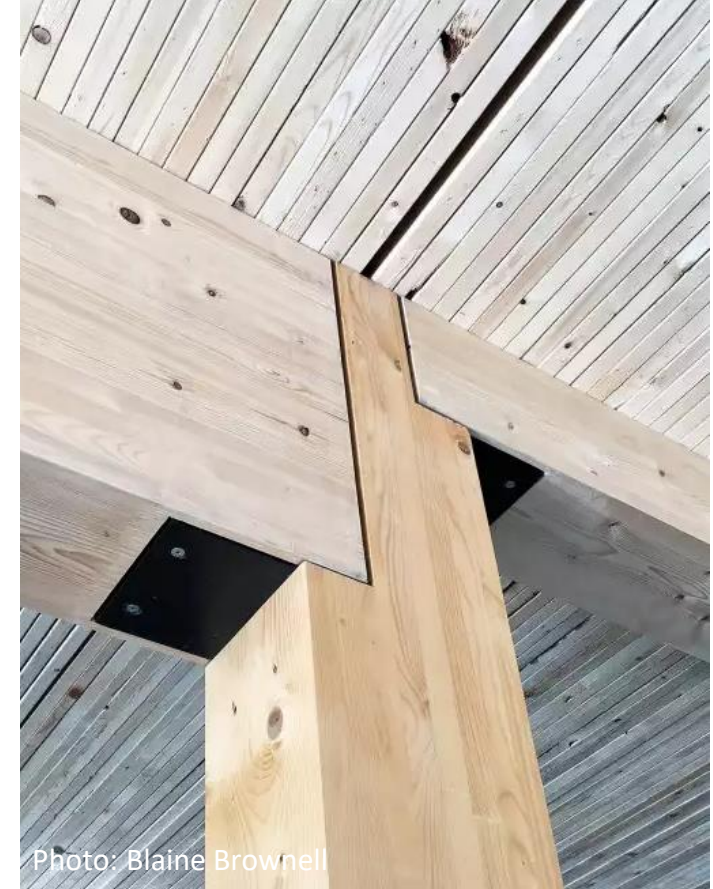


Photo: Blaine Brownell

Connection Fire Protection

**2017 Glulam Beam to Column Connection
Fire Tests under standard ASTM E119
time-temperature exposure**



Connection Fire Protection

Fire Test Results

Test	Beam	Connector	Applied Load	FRR
1	8.75" x 18" (222mm x 457mm)	1 x Ricon S VS 290x80	3,905lbs (17.4kN)	1hr
2	10.75" x 24" (273mm x 610mm)	Staggered double Ricon S VS 200x80	16,620lbs (73.9kN)	1.5hrs
3	10.75" x 24" (273mm x 610mm)	1 x Megant 430	16,620lbs (73.9kN)	1.5hrs

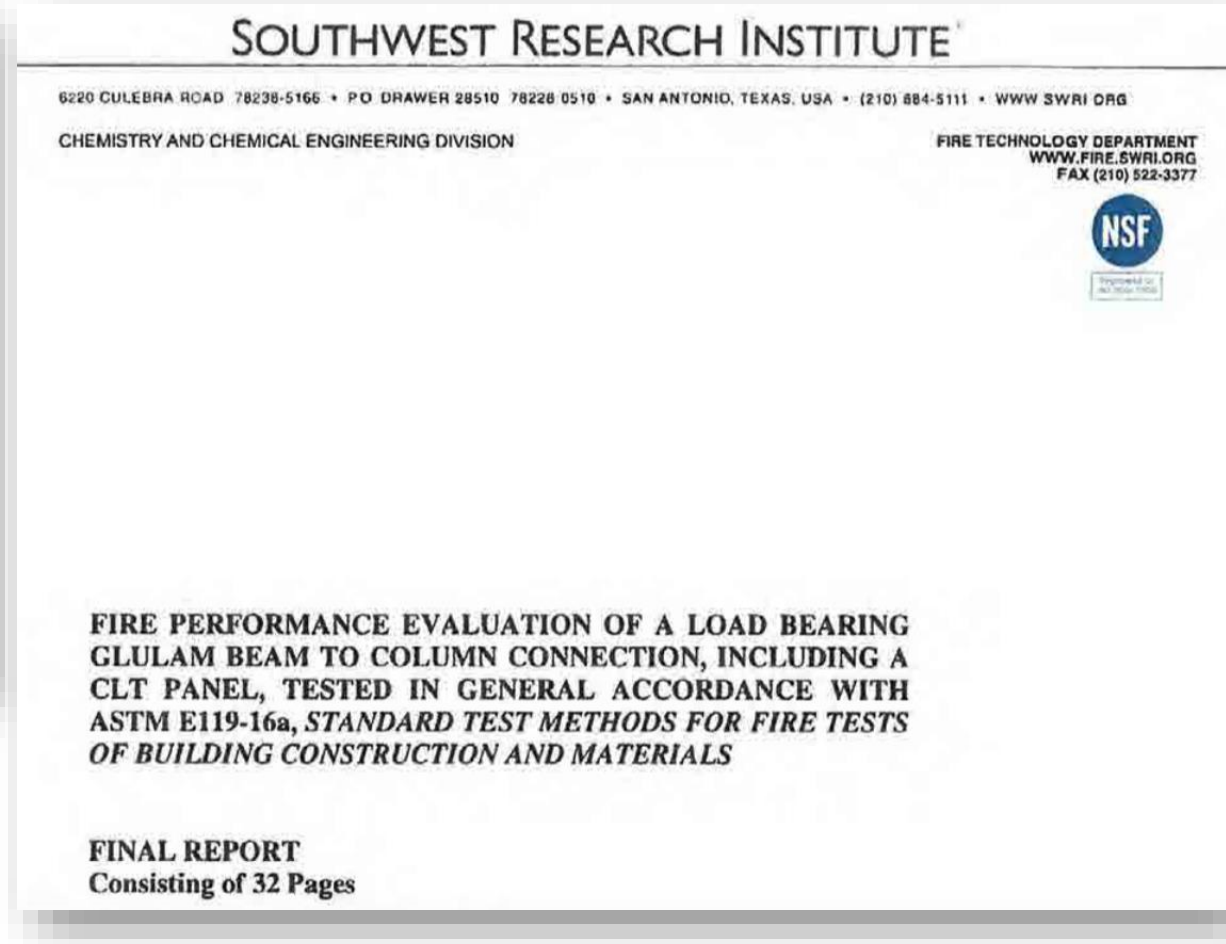
Connection Fire Protection

Softwood Lumber Board Glulam Connection Fire Test Summary Report

Issue | June 5, 2017

Full Report Available at:

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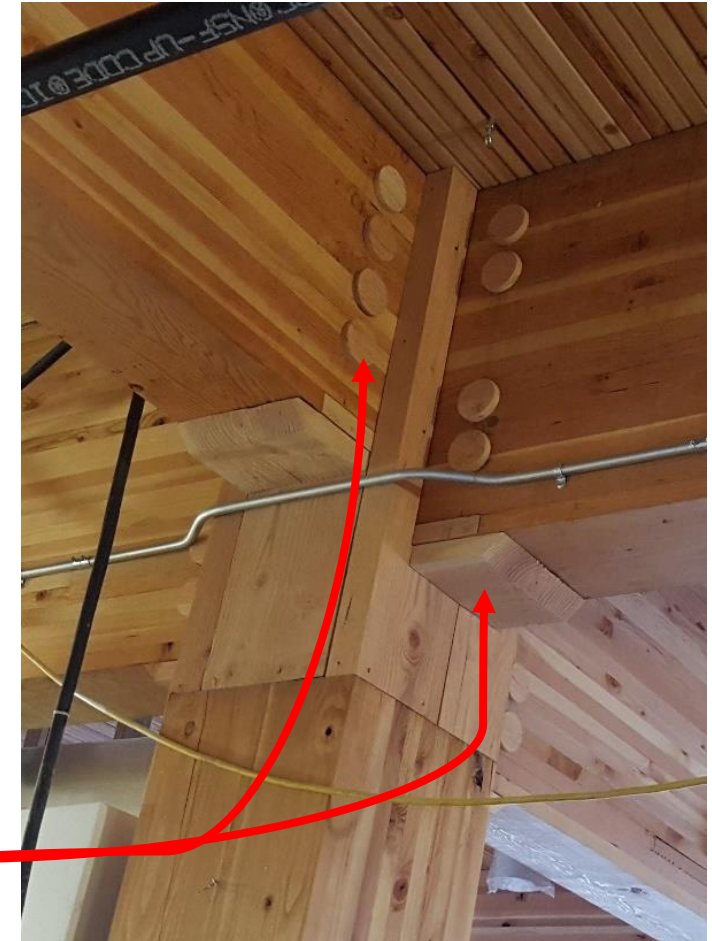


Tall Mass Timber Inspections

Wood Connection Coverings for Fire-Resistance

110.3.5 Type IV-A, IV-B, and IV-C connection protection inspection. In buildings of Type IV-A, IV-B, and IV-C Construction, where connection fire resistance ratings are provided by wood cover calculated to meet the requirements of Section 2304.10.1, inspection of the wood cover shall be made after the cover is installed, but before any other coverings or finishes are installed.

Inspection of Wood Coverings



Tall Mass Timber Special Inspections

TABLE 1705.5.3
REQUIRED SPECIAL INSPECTIONS OF MASS TIMBER CONSTRUCTION

<u>Type</u>	<u>Continuous Special Inspection</u>	<u>Periodic Special Inspection</u>
<u>1. Inspection of anchorage and connections of mass timber construction to timber deep foundation systems.</u>		<u>X</u>
<u>2. Inspect erection of mass timber construction</u>		<u>X</u>
<u>3. Inspection of connections where installation methods are required to meet design loads</u>		
<u>3.1. Threaded fasteners</u>		
<u>3.1.1. Verify use of proper installation equipment.</u>		<u>X</u>
<u>3.1.2. Verify use of pre-drilled holes where required.</u>		<u>X</u>
<u>3.1.3. Inspect screws, including diameter, length, head type, spacing, installation angle, and depth.</u>		<u>X</u>
<u>3.2. Adhesive anchors installed in horizontal or upwardly inclined orientation to resist sustained tension loads</u>	<u>X</u>	
<u>3.3. Adhesive anchors not defined in 3.2.</u>		<u>X</u>
<u>3.4. Bolted connections</u>		<u>X</u>
<u>3.5. Concealed connections</u>		<u>X</u>

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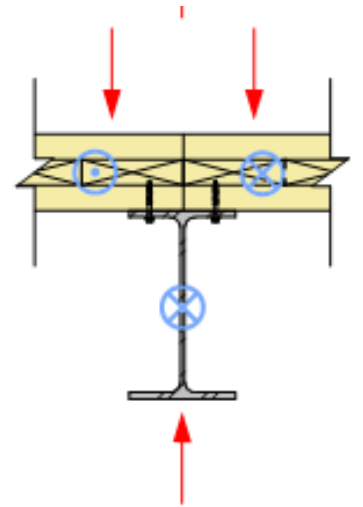
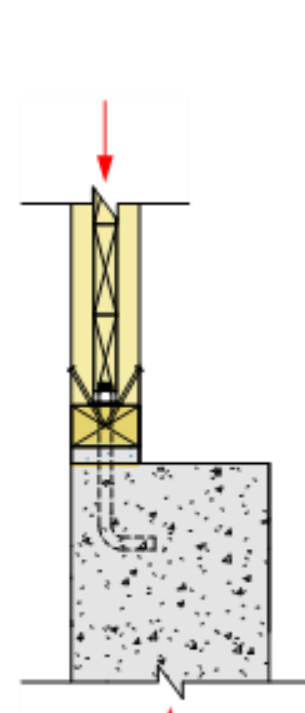
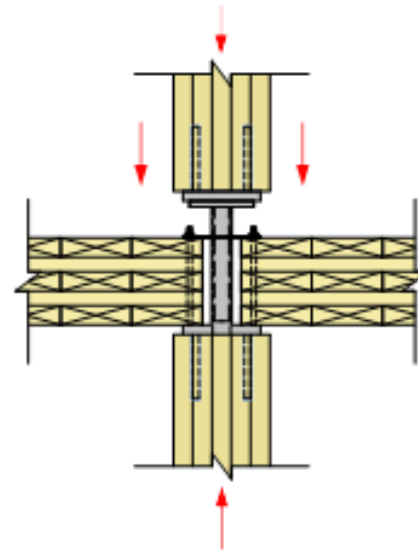


ARCHITECTURE
URBAN DESIGN
INTERIOR DESIGN



A library of commonly used mass timber connections with designer notes and information on fire resistance, relative cost and load-carrying capacity.

WoodWorks Index of
Mass Timber Connections





PENETRATIONS IN TALL WOOD

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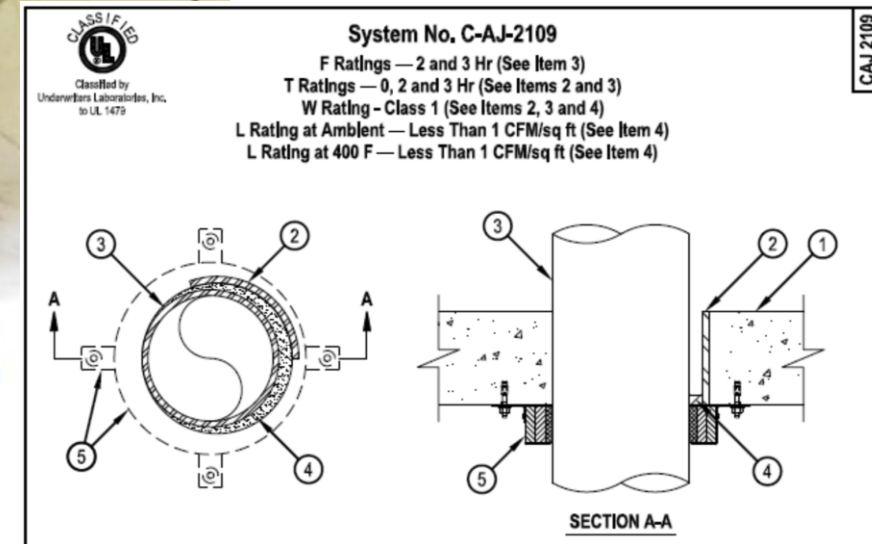
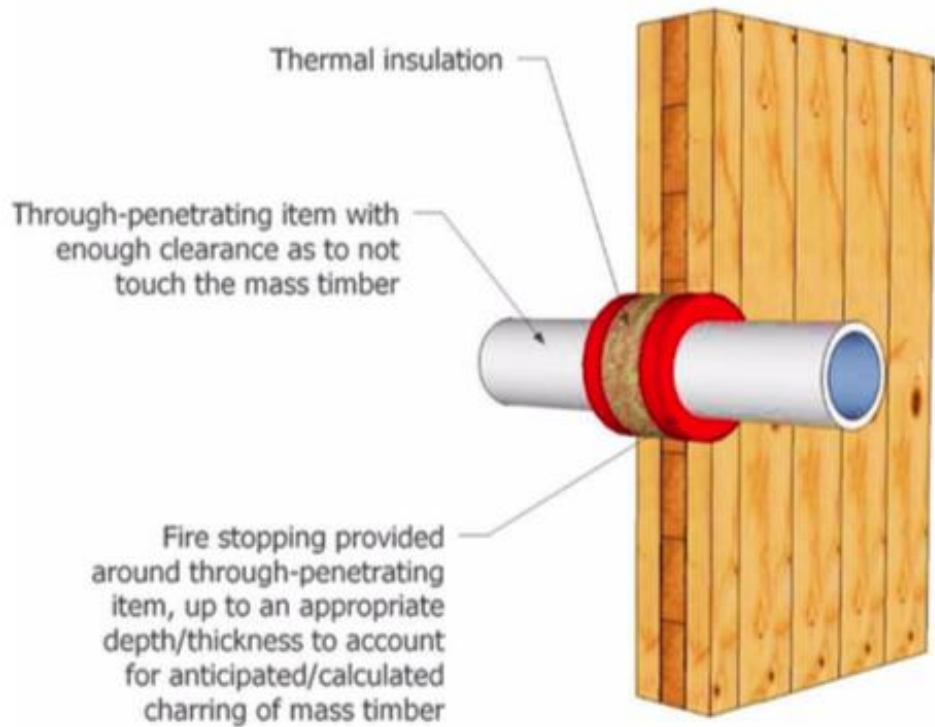
Penetration Fire Protection

Although not a new code requirement or specific to tall wood, more testing & information is becoming available on firestopping of penetrations through MT assemblies



Penetration Fire Protection

Most firestopping systems include combination of fire safing (eg. noncombustible materials such as mineral wool insulation) plus fire caulk



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FIRE RESISTANCE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION OF A PENETRATION FIRESTOP SYSTEM TESTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH ASTM E814-13A, STANDARD TEST METHOD FOR FIRE TESTS OF PENETRATION FIRESTOP SYSTEMS

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Firestop systems tests on Mass Timber Contact WoodWorks for information



FIRE PERFORMANCE OF FIRESTOPS, PENETRATIONS, AND FIRE DOORS IN MASS TIMBER ASSEMBLIES

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ABSTRACT: Integrity and continuity must be maintained for fire separations required to provide fire resistance to prevent passage of hot gases or increased temperature on the unexposed side. Vulnerable locations, where penetrations are introduced into mass timber systems, are susceptible to fire spread. Service and closure penetrations through timber fire separation have been investigated. Many of the fire stop systems were able to achieve 1-½ hr fire resistance in accordance with CAN/ULC-S115, which would be required for 2-hr fire resistance rated assemblies, such as in tall wood buildings. Construction details are outlined which ensure adequate fire performance of these penetrations.

KEYWORDS: Firestop, through-penetrations, fire rated door, mass timber, cross-laminated timber, tall wood buildings, fire resistance

1 INTRODUCTION

Many tall wood buildings using mass timber are planned or are currently being designed for construction around the world. A few have been built in Canada, including an 18 storey cross-laminated timber (CLT) and glulam building in British Columbia. The prescriptive requirements in the National Building Code of Canada (NBCC) [1] do not (yet) permit the construction of wood buildings taller than six stories, however an alternative

construction, as well as in several alternative building designs.

Although the general fire performance of mass timber is well documented, there are still several areas that warrant further investigation to ensure that safety levels are met and a number of design options are available for designers to use. Generating generic assemblies will reduce the need for testing completed on an individual construction



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Penetration Fire Protection

Inventory of Fire Tested Penetrations in MT Assemblies



Table 3: North American Fire Tests of Penetrations and Fire Stops in CLT Assemblies

CLT Panel	Exposed Side Protection	Penetrating Item	Penetrant Centered or Offset in Hole	Firestopping System Description	F Rating	T Rating	Stated Test Protocol	Source	Testing Lab
3-ply (78mm 3.07")	None	1.5" diameter data cable bunch	Centered	3.5 in diameter hole. Mineral wool was installed in the 1 in. annular space around the data cables to a total depth of approximately 2 – 5/64 in. The remaining 1 in. annular space from the top of the mineral wool to the top of the floor assembly was filled with Hilti FS-One Max caulking.	1 hour	0.5 hour	CANULC S115	26	Intertek March 30, 2016
3-ply (78mm 3.07")	None	2" copper pipe	Centered	4.375 in diameter hole. Pipe wrap was installed around the copper pipe to a total depth of approximately 2 – 5/64 in. The remaining 1 in. annular space starting at the top of the mineral wool to the top of the floor assembly was filled with Hilti FS-One Max caulking.	1 hour	NA.	CANULC S115	26	Intertek March 30, 2016
3-ply (78mm 3.07")	None	2.5" sched. 40 pipe	Centered	4.92 in diameter hole. Pipe wrap was installed around the schedule 40 pipe to a total depth of approximately 2 – 5/64 in. The remaining 1 in. annular space starting at the top of the pipe wrap to the top of the floor assembly was filled with Hilti FS-One Max caulking.	1 hour	NA.	CANULC S115	26	Intertek March 30, 2016
3-ply (78mm 3.07")	None	6" cast iron pipe	Centered	8.35 in diameter hole. Mineral wool was installed in the 1 in. annular space around the cast iron pipe to a total depth of approximately 2 – 5/64 in. The remaining 1 in. annular space starting at the top of the pipe wrap to the top of the floor assembly was filled with Hilti FS-One Max caulking.	1 hour	NA.	CANULC S115	26	Intertek March 30, 2016
3-ply (78mm 3.07")	None	Hilti 6 in drop in device. System No.: F-B-2049	Centered	9.01" diameter hole. Mineral wool was installed in the 1 – 1/4 in. annular space around the drop-in device to a total depth of approximately 1 – 7/64 in and the remaining 1 in. annular space from the top of the mineral wool to the top edge of the 9 – 1/64 in. hole in the CLT was filled with Hilti FS-One Max caulking.	1 hour	0.75 hour	CANULC S115	26	Intertek March 30, 2016
5-ply CLT (131 mm 5.16")	None	1.5" diameter data cable bunch	Centered	3.5" diameter hole. Mineral wool was installed in the 1 in. annular space around the data cables to a total depth of approximately 4 – 5/32 in. The remaining 1 in. annular space from the top of the mineral wool to the top of the floor assembly was filled with Hilti FS-One Max caulking.	2 hours	1.5 hours	CANULC S115	26	Intertek March 30, 2016
5-ply CLT (131 mm 5.16")	None	2" copper pipe	Centered	4.375 in diameter hole. Pipe wrap was installed around the copper pipe to a total depth of approximately 4 – 5/32 in. The remaining 1 in. annular space starting at the top of the mineral wool to the top of the floor assembly was filled with Hilti FS-One Max caulking.	2 hours	NA.	CANULC S115	26	Intertek March 30, 2016
5-ply CLT (131 mm 5.16")	None	2.5" sched. 40 pipe	Centered	4.92 in diameter hole. Pipe wrap was installed around the schedule 40 pipe to a total depth of approximately 4 – 5/32 in. The remaining 1 in. annular space starting at the top of the pipe wrap to the top of the floor assembly was filled with Hilti FS-One Max caulking.	2 hours	0.5 hour	CANULC S115	26	Intertek March 30, 2016
5-ply CLT (131 mm 5.16")	None	6" cast iron pipe	Centered	8.35 in diameter hole. Mineral wool was installed in the 1 in. annular space around the cast iron pipe to a total depth of approximately 4 – 5/32 in. The remaining 1 in. annular space starting at the top of the pipe wrap to the top of the floor assembly was filled with Hilti FS-One Max caulking.	2 hours	NA.	CANULC S115	26	Intertek March 30, 2016
5-ply CLT (131 mm 5.16")	None	Hilti 6 in drop in device. System No.: F-B-2049	Centered	9.01" diameter hole. Mineral wool was installed in the 1 – 1/4 in. annular space around the drop-in device to a total depth of approximately 1 – 7/64 in and the remaining 1 in. annular space from the top of the mineral wool to the top edge of the 9 – 1/64 in. hole in the CLT was filled with Hilti FS-One Max caulking.	2 hours	1.5 hours	CANULC S115	26	Intertek March 30, 2016
5-ply (175mm 6.875")	None	1" nominal PVC pipe	Centered	4.21 in diameter with a 3/4 in plywood reducer flush with the top of the slab reducing the opening to 2.28 in. Two wraps of Hilti CP 648-E W45/1-3/4" Firestop wrap strip at two locations with a 30 gauge steel sleeve which extended from the top of the slab to 1 in below the slab. The first location was with the bottom of the wrap strip flush with the bottom of the steel sleeve and the second was with the bottom of the wrap strip 3 in. from the bottom of the slab. The void between the steel sleeve and the CLT and between the steel sleeve and pipe at the top was filled with Roxul Safe mineral wool leaving a 3/4 in deep void at the top of the assembly. Hilti FS-One Max Intumescent Firestop Sealant was applied to a depth of 3/4 in on the top of the assembly between the plywood and steel sleeve as well as the steel sleeve and pipe.	2 hours	2 hours	ASTM E814	24	QAI Laboratories March 3, 2017

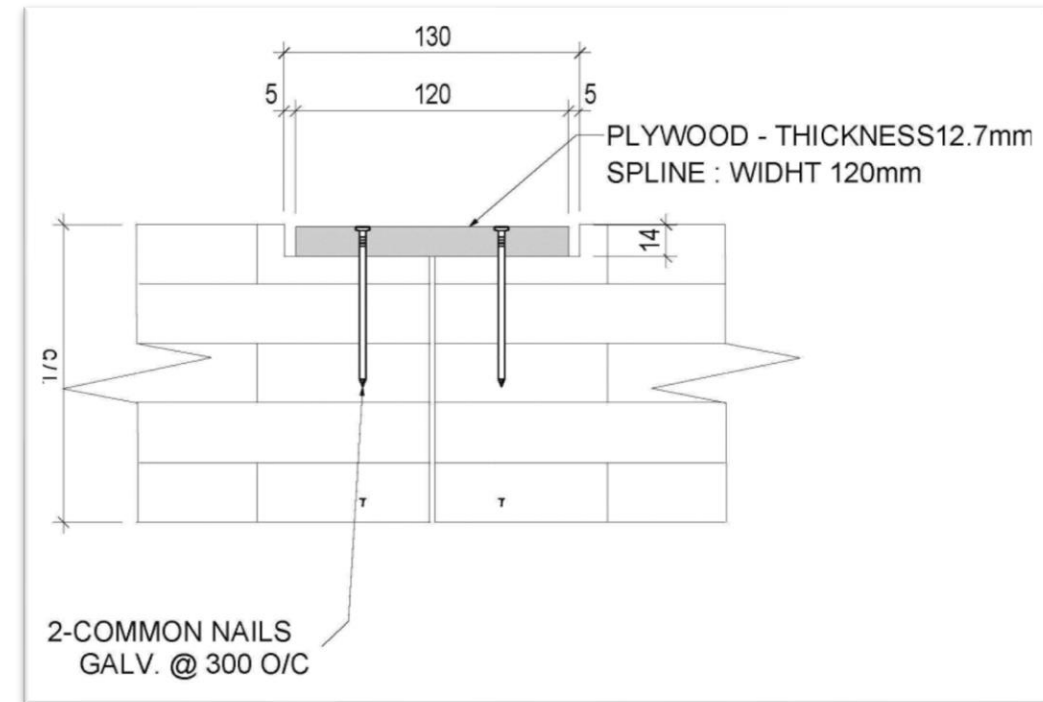
SEALANTS AT MT PANEL EDGES



Sealants at MT Panel Edges

703.9 Sealing of adjacent mass timber elements. In buildings of Type IV-A, IV-B, and IV-C construction, sealant or adhesive shall be provided to resist the passage of air in the following locations:

1. At abutting edges and intersections of mass timber building elements required to be fire resistance-rated
2. At abutting intersections of mass timber building elements and building elements of other materials where both are required to be fire resistance-rated.



Sealants at MT Panel Edges

Sealants shall meet the requirements of ASTM C920 (elastomeric joint sealants). Adhesives shall meet the requirements of ASTM D3498 (gap filling construction adhesives, i.e. not fire caulk).

Exception: Sealants or adhesives need not be provided where they are not a required component of a fire resistance- rated assembly.



Sealants at MT Panel Edges

Several MT fire tested assemblies have successfully been completed w/o adhesives/sealants at abutting panel edges

2021 IBC will require periodic special inspections of adhesive/sealant installation (when required to be installed)





FIRE SAFETY DURING CONSTRUCTION

Fire Safety During Construction

New code provisions in International Fire Code (IFC) address construction fire safety of tall wood buildings

3308.4 Fire safety requirements for buildings of Types IV-A, IV-B, and IV-C construction. Buildings of Types IV-A, IV-B, and IV-C construction designed to be greater than six stories above grade plane shall meet the following requirements during construction unless otherwise approved by the fire code official.

1. Standpipes shall be provided in accordance with Section 3313.
2. A water supply for fire department operations, as approved by the fire chief.



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Fire Safety During Construction

IFC 3313 Standpipe Requirements

SECTION 3313 STANDPIPES

3313.1 Where required.

In buildings required to have standpipes by Section 905.3.1, not less than one standpipe shall be provided for use during construction. Such standpipes shall be installed prior to construction exceeding 40 feet (12 192 mm) in height above the lowest level of fire department vehicle access. Such standpipe shall be provided with fire department hose connections at accessible locations adjacent to usable stairways. Such standpipes shall be extended as construction progresses to within one floor of the highest point of construction having secured decking or flooring.

3313.2 Buildings being demolished.

Where a building is being demolished and a standpipe is existing within such a building, such standpipe shall be maintained in an operable condition so as to be available for use by the fire department. Such standpipe shall be demolished with the building but shall not be demolished more than one floor below the floor being demolished.

3313.3 Detailed requirements.

Standpipes shall be installed in accordance with the provisions of Section 905.

Exception: Standpipes shall be either temporary or permanent in nature, and with or without a water supply, provided that such standpipes comply with the requirements of Section 905 as to capacity, outlets and materials.

Fire Safety During Construction

IFC 3308.4 Cont'd

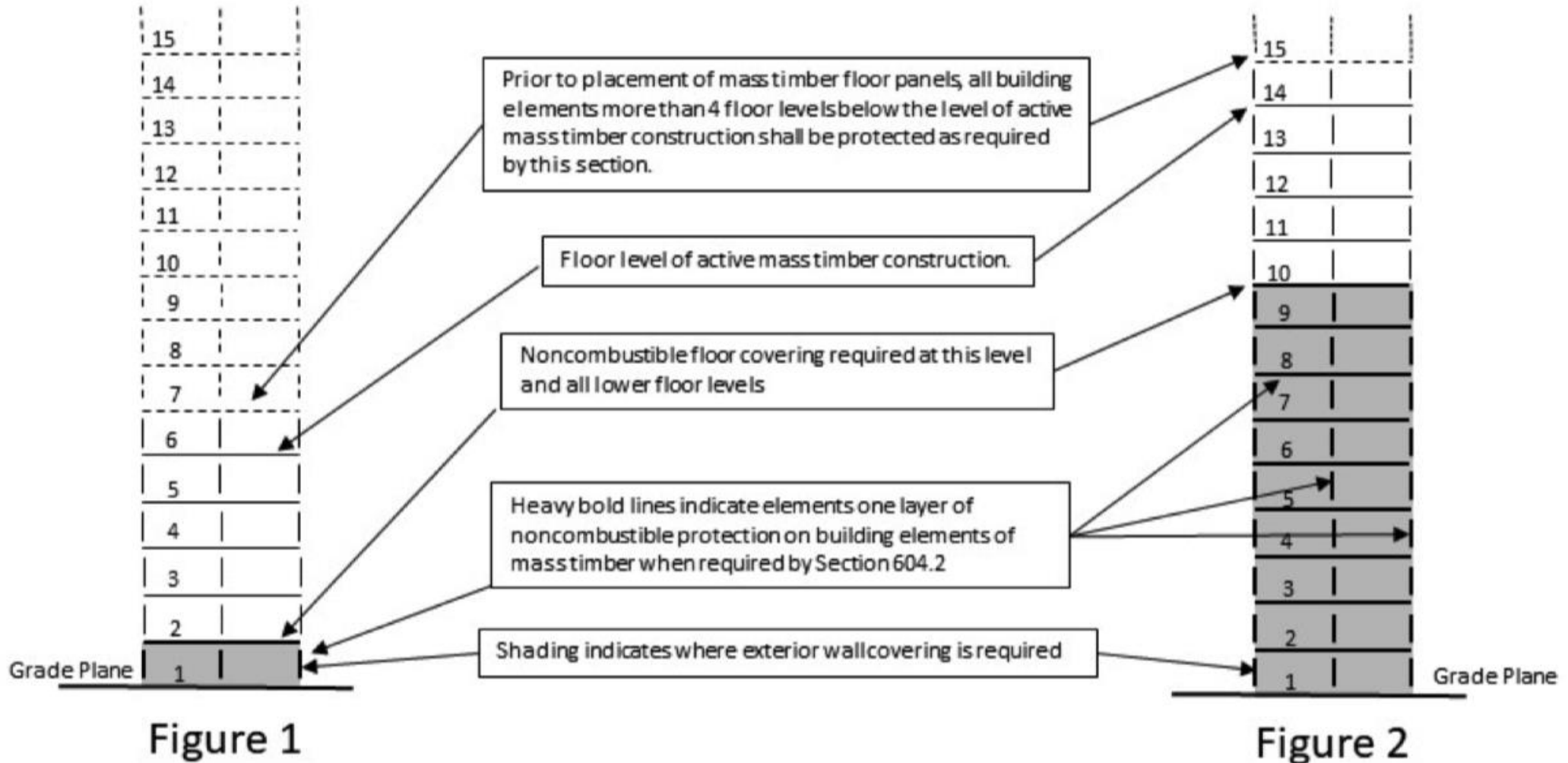
3. Where building construction exceeds six stories above grade plane, at least one layer of noncombustible protection where required by Section 602.4 of the International Building Code shall be installed on all building elements more than 4 floor levels, including mezzanines, below active mass timber construction before erecting additional floor levels.
4. Where building construction exceeds six stories above grade plane required exterior wall coverings shall be installed on all floor levels more than 4 floor levels, including mezzanines, below active mass timber construction before erecting additional floor level.

Exception: Shafts and vertical exit enclosures



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Fire Safety During Construction



**Examples of Protection During Construction
For Mass Timber Buildings Greater Than
6 Stories Above Grade Plane**

Acoustical Design

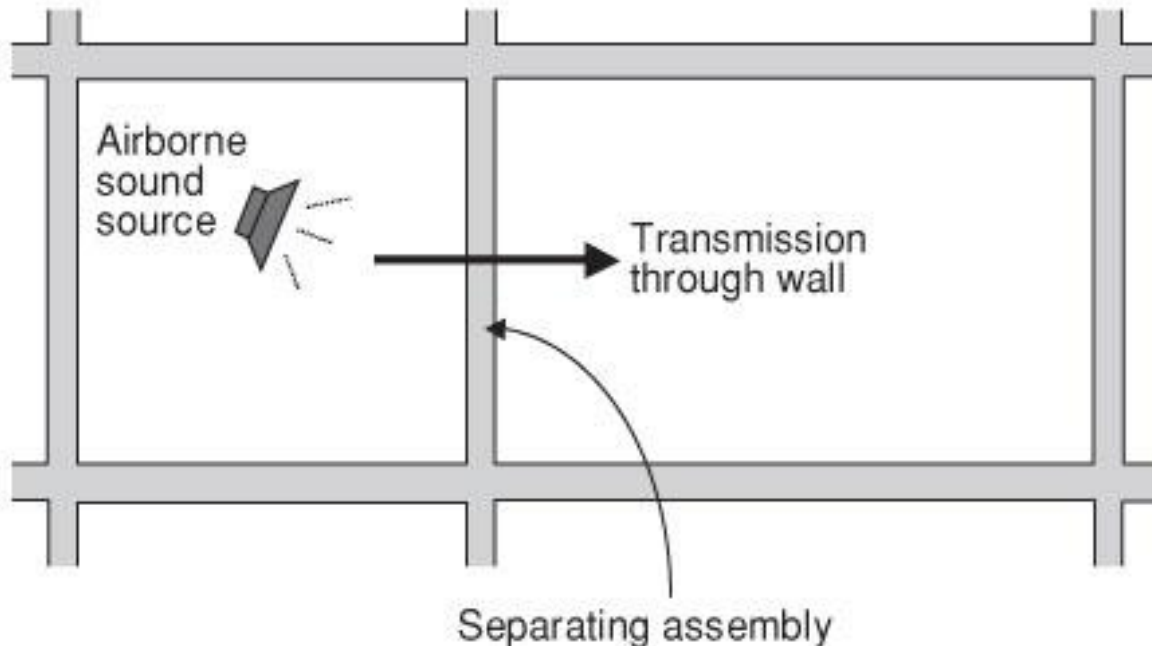


Acoustical Design

Air-Borne Sound:

Sound Transmission Class (STC)

- Measures how effectively an assembly isolates air-borne sound and reduces the level that passes from one side to the other
- Applies to walls and floor/ceiling assemblies

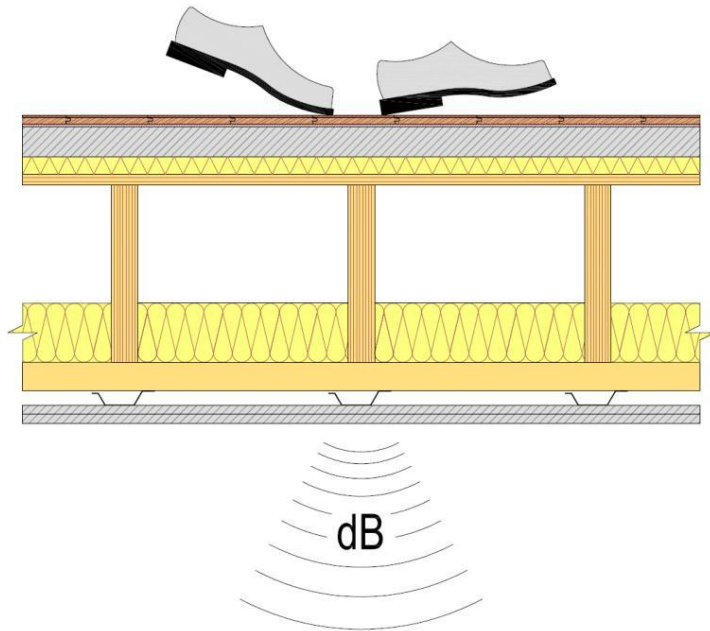


Acoustical Design

Structure-borne sound:

Impact Insulation Class (IIC)

- Evaluates how effectively an assembly blocks impact sound from passing through it
- Only applies to floor/ceiling assemblies



Acoustical Design

Code requirements only address residential occupancies:

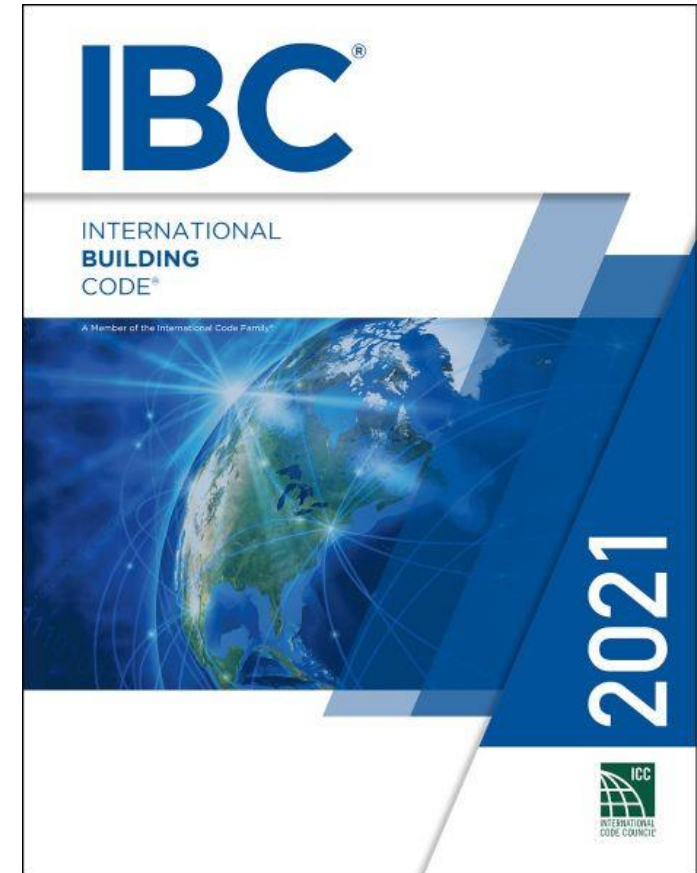
For unit to unit or unit to public or service areas:

Min. STC of 50 (45 if field tested):

- Walls, Partitions, and Floor/Ceiling Assemblies

Min. IIC of 50 (45 if field tested) for:

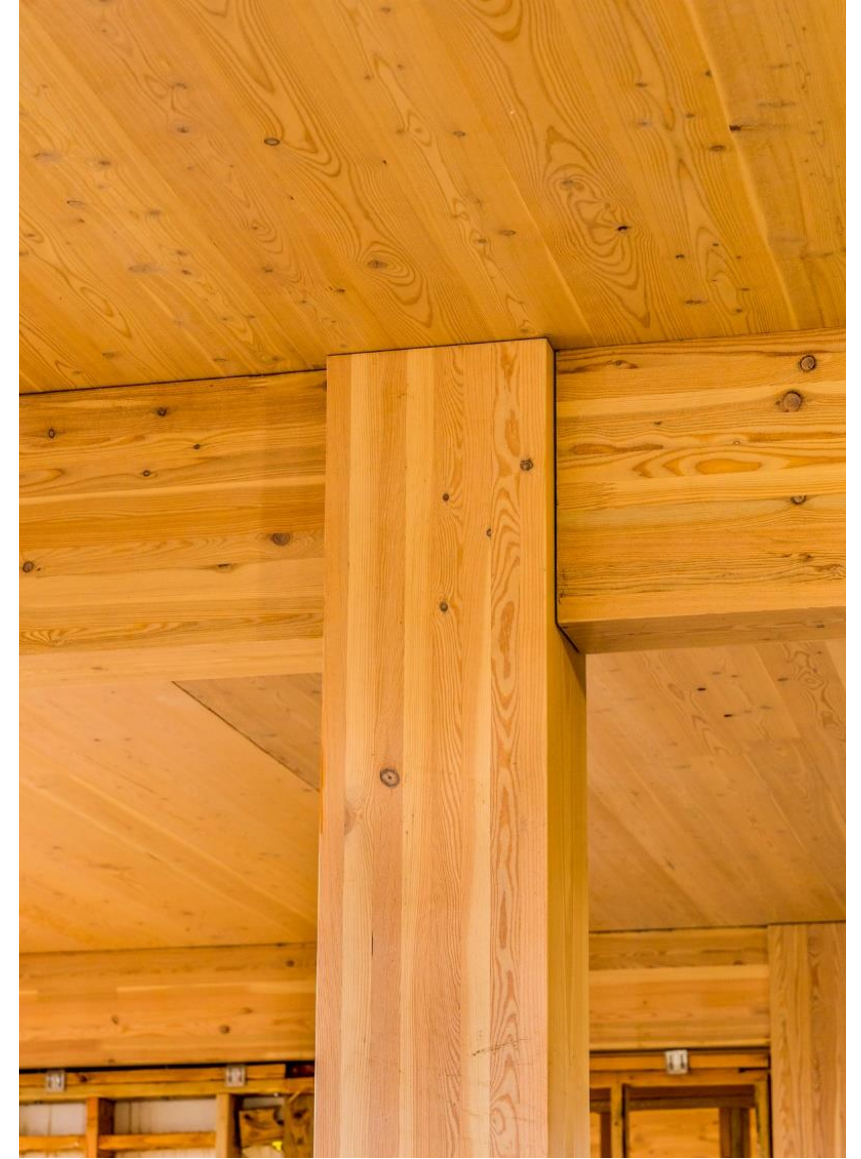
- Floor/Ceiling Assemblies



Acoustical Design

STC	What can be heard
25	Normal speech can be understood quite easily and distinctly through wall
30	Loud speech can be understood fairly well, normal speech heard but not understood
35	Loud speech audible but not intelligible
40	Onset of "privacy"
42	Loud speech audible as a murmur
45	Loud speech not audible; 90% of statistical population not annoyed
50	Very loud sounds such as musical instruments or a stereo can be faintly heard; 99% of population not annoyed.
60+	Superior soundproofing; most sounds inaudible

Tall Timber: Structure Often is Finish



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But by Itself, Not Adequate for Acoustics



Mass Timber Acoustics

TABLE 1:
Examples of Acoustically-Tested Mass Timber Panels

Mass Timber Panel	Thickness	STC Rating	IIC Rating
3-ply CLT wall ⁴	3.07"	33	N/A
5-ply CLT wall ⁴	6.875"	38	N/A
5-ply CLT floor ⁵	5.1875"	39	22
5-ply CLT floor ⁴	6.875"	41	25
7-ply CLT floor ⁴	9.65"	44	30
2x4 NLT wall ⁶	3-1/2" bare NLT 4-1/4" with 3/4" plywood	24 bare NLT 29 with 3/4" plywood	N/A
2x6 NLT wall ⁶	5-1/2" bare NLT 6-1/4" with 3/4" plywood	22 bare NLT 31 with 3/4" plywood	N/A
2x6 NLT floor + 1/2" plywood ²	6" with 1/2" plywood	34	33

Source: Inventory of Acoustically-Tested Mass Timber Assemblies, WoodWorks⁷

Acoustical Detailing

Regardless of the structural materials used in a wall or floor ceiling assembly, there are 3 effective methods of improving acoustical performance:

1. Add Mass
2. Add noise barriers
3. Add decouplers

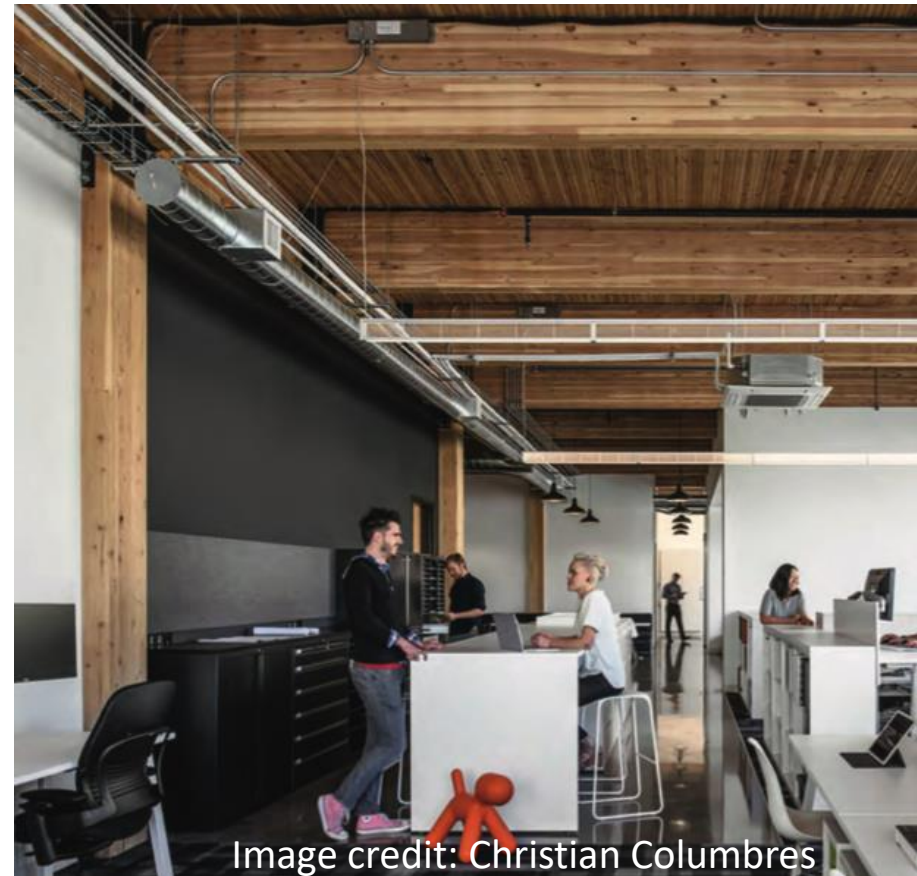


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Mass Timber Acoustics

Common mass timber floor assembly:

- Finish floor (if applicable)
- Underlayment (if finish floor)
- 1.5" to 4" thick concrete/gypcrete topping
- Acoustical mat
- WSP (if applicable)
- Mass timber floor panels



Mass Timber Acoustics

Solutions Paper



Acoustics and Mass Timber: Room-to-Room Noise Control

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Photo: Corey Geller, courtesy Perkins + Will

T3 Minneapolis
Architect: MGA | Michael Green Architecture, DLR Group
Structural Engineer: Magnusson Klemencic Associates
Design Assist + Build: StructureCraft

The growing availability and code acceptance of mass timber—i.e., large solid wood panel products such as cross-laminated timber (CLT) and nail-laminated timber (NLT)—for floor, wall and roof construction has given designers a low-carbon alternative to steel, concrete, and masonry for many applications. However, the use of mass timber in multi-family and commercial buildings presents unique acoustic challenges.

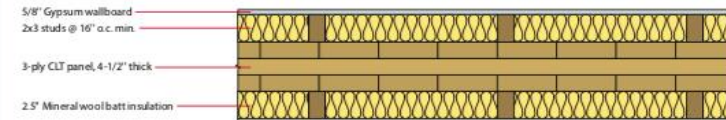
While laboratory measurements of the impact and airborne sound isolation of traditional building assemblies such as light wood-frame, steel and concrete are widely available, fewer resources exist that quantify the acoustic performance of mass timber assemblies. Additionally, one of the most desired aspects of mass timber construction is the ability to leave a building's structure exposed as finish, which creates the need for asymmetric assemblies. With careful design and detailing, mass timber buildings can meet the acoustic performance expectations of most building types.

http://www.woodworks.org/wp-content/uploads/wood_solution_paper-MASS-TIMBER-ACOUSTICS.pdf

FIGURE 3:
Interior CLT partition wall with chase walls on both sides

Example Mass Timber Wall Assembly, STC 58

Plan View



Source: US CLT Handbook

Mass Timber Assembly Options: Walls

Mass timber panels can also be used for interior and exterior walls—both bearing and non-bearing. For interior walls, the need to conceal services such as electrical and plumbing is an added consideration. Common approaches include building a chase wall in front of the mass timber wall or installing gypsum wallboard on resilient channels that are attached to the mass timber wall. As with bare mass timber floor panels, bare mass timber walls don't typically provide adequate noise control, and chase walls also function as acoustical improvements. For example, a 3-ply CLT wall panel with a thickness of 3.07" has an STC rating of 33.⁴ In contrast, Figure 3 shows an interior CLT partition wall with chase walls on both sides. This assembly achieves an STC rating of 58, exceeding the IBC's acoustical requirements for multi-family construction. Other examples are included in the inventory of tested assemblies noted above.

Acoustical Differences between Mass Timber Panel Options

The majority of acoustically-tested mass timber assemblies include CLT. However, tests have also been done on other mass timber panel options such as NLT and dowel-laminated timber (DLT), as well as traditional heavy timber options such as tongue and groove decking. Most tests have concluded that CLT acoustical performance is slightly better than that of other mass timber options, largely because the cross-orientation of laminations in a CLT panel limits sound flanking.

For those interested in comparing similar assemblies and mass timber panel types and thicknesses, the inventory noted above contains tested assemblies using CLT, NLT, glued-laminated timber panels (GLT), and tongue and groove decking.

Improving Performance by Minimizing Flanking

Even when the assemblies in a building are carefully designed and installed for high acoustical performance, consideration of flanking paths—in areas such as assembly intersections, beam-to-column/wall connections, and MEP penetrations—is necessary for a building to meet overall acoustical performance objectives.

One way to minimize flanking paths at these connections and interfaces is to use resilient connection isolation and sealant strips. These products are capable of resisting structural loads in compression between structural members and connections while providing isolation and breaking hard, direct connections between members. In the context of the three methods for improving acoustical performance noted above, these strips act as decouplers. With airtight connections, interfaces and penetrations, there is a much greater chance that the acoustic performance of a mass timber building will meet expectations.

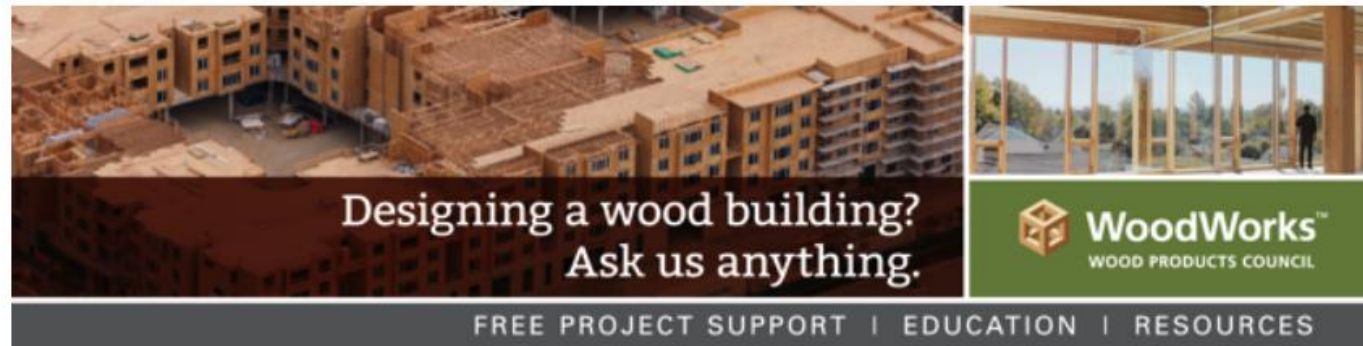


Acoustical isolation strips

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Mass Timber Acoustics

Inventory of Tested Assemblies



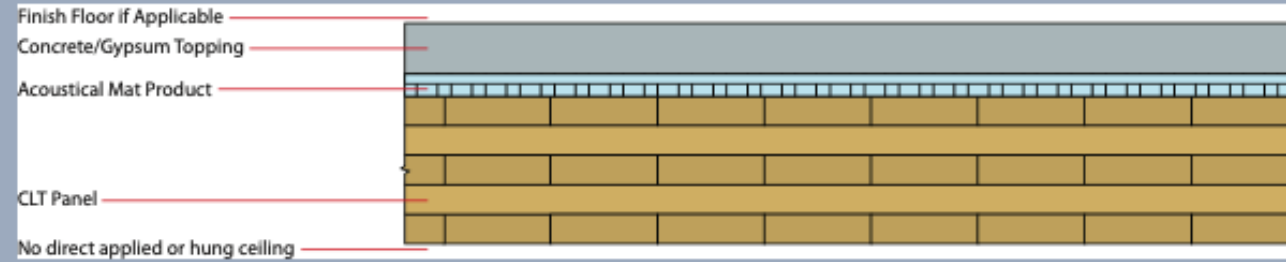
Acoustically-Tested Mass Timber Assemblies

Following is a list of mass timber assemblies that have been acoustically tested as of January 23, 2019. Sources are noted at the end of this document. For free technical assistance on any questions related to the acoustical design of mass timber assemblies, or free technical assistance related to any aspect of the design, engineering or construction of a commercial or multi-family wood building in the U.S., email help@woodworks.org or contact the WoodWorks Regional Director nearest you: <http://www.woodworks.org/project-assistance>

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Table 1: CLT Floor Assemblies with Concrete/Gypsum Topping, Ceiling Side Exposed



CLT Panel	Concrete/Gypsum Topping	Acoustical Mat Product Between CLT and Topping	Finish Floor	STC ¹	IIC ¹	Source
CLT 5-ply (6.875")	1-1/2" Gyp-Crete®	Maxxon Acousti-Mat® 3/4	None	47 ² ASTC	47 ² AIIC	1
			LVT	-	49 ² AIIC	
			Carpet + Pad	-	75 ² AIIC	
			LVT on Acousti-Top®	-	52 ² AIIC	
			Eng Wood on Acousti-Top®	-	51 ² AIIC	
		Maxxon Acousti-Mat® ¾ Premium	None	49 ² ASTC	45 ² AIIC	
			LVT	-	47 ² AIIC	
			LVT on Acousti-Top®	-	49 ² AIIC	
	1-1/2" Levelrock® Brand 2500	USG SAM N25 Ultra	None	45 ⁶	39 ⁶	15
			LVT	48 ⁶	47 ⁶	16
			LVT Plus	48 ⁶	49 ⁶	58
			Eng Wood	47 ⁶	47 ⁶	59
			Carpet + Pad	45 ⁶	67 ⁶	60
			Ceramic Tile	50 ⁶	46 ⁶	61
		Soprema® Insonomat	None	45 ⁶	42 ⁶	15
			LVT	48 ⁶	44 ⁶	16
			LVT Plus	48 ⁶	47 ⁶	58
			Eng Wood	47 ⁶	45 ⁶	59
			Carpet + Pad	45 ⁶	71 ⁶	60
			Ceramic Tile	50 ⁶	46 ⁶	61
		USG SAM N75 Ultra	None	45 ⁶	38 ⁶	15
			LVT	48 ⁶	47 ⁶	16
			LVT Plus	48 ⁶	49 ⁶	58
			Eng Wood	47 ⁶	49 ⁶	59

Tall Mass Timber Acoustics

Table 2: Impact of Direct Applied Ceiling Gypsum and Dropped Ceiling on Mass Timber Floor Panels⁷

Base Assembly (top to bottom)		Base assembly plus 2 layers direct applied 5/8" gyp on underside of mass timber	Base assembly plus 2 layers direct applied gyp plus dropped ceiling
1" poured gypsum, acoustical mat, 5-ply CLT	STC 50 IIC 40	STC 52 IIC 46	STC 63 IIC 60
LVT, 1" poured gypsum, acoustical mat, 5-ply CLT	STC 51 IIC 43	STC 52 IIC 48	STC 63 IIC 63
2" concrete, acoustical mat, 5-ply CLT	STC 52 IIC 46	STC 59 IIC 52	Not tested
LVT, 2" concrete, acoustical mat, 5-ply CLT	STC 53 IIC 52	STC 58 IIC 55	Not tested

**Base Assembly
Exposed Timber**

**With Direct Applied
Ceiling Gyp**

**With Direct Applied
Ceiling Gyp &
Dropped Ceiling**

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The ICE Blocks: Mass Timber Development

Development Overview

Property Information	
Property Name	The Ice Blocks
Submarket	Midtown Sacramento CA
Construction Type	Timber 1a/2b

The ICE Blocks: Market Context

Sacramento Market



The ICE Blocks: Quantitative Overview


Costs	Market			Actual			Realized		
	Metric	Market	Proforma	Realized	Metric	Market	Proforma	Realized	
Total Proj									
Construct									
Broker Co									
NOI									
Office Rev									
Lease Str									
Tenant In									
Expenses									
Load									
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Occupanc									

The ICE Blocks: Qualitative Overview

Distinctive interiors attract quality tenants at competitive rents

Mass Timber Business Case Study

The ICE Blocks
Sacramento, CA



Developer: Heller Pacific

Case Study by: CONRAD INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT

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