Section D-6 Fire Performance of Exterior Wall Assemblies

D-6.1. Scope

D-6.1.1. Exterior Wall Assemblies

Table D-6.1.1. shows construction specifications for exterior wall assemblies that are deemed to satisfy the criteria of Clause 3.1.5.5.(1) (b) when tested in accordance with CAN/ULC-S134, "Fire Test of Exterior Wall Assemblies." These exterior wall assemblies are suitable for use in buildings permitted to be of encapsulated mass timber construction.

Table D-6.1.1. Construction Specifications for Exterior Wall Assemblies that Are Deemed to Satisfy the Criteria of Clause 3.1.5.5.(1)(b) when Tested in Accordance with CAN/ULC-S134

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Wall Number	Structural Members	Absorptive Material	Sheathing	Cladding	Design
EXTW-1	38 mm x 89 mm wood studs spaced at 400 mm o.c. ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	89 mm thick rock or slag fibre in cavities formed by studs ⁽³⁾⁽⁴⁾	-	12.7. mm thick fire- retardant-treated plywood siding ⁽⁵⁾	
EXTW-2	38 mm x 140 mm wood studs spaced at 400 mm o.c. ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	140 mm thick rock or slag fibre in cavities formed by studs ⁽³⁾⁽⁴⁾	Gypsum sheathing ≥ 12.7 mm thick	Noncombustible exterior cladding	
EXTW-3	38 mm x 140 mm wood studs spaced at 400 mm o.c. ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	140 mm thick rock or slag fibre in cavities formed by studs ⁽³⁾⁽⁴⁾	15.9 mm thick fire- retardant-treated plywood	Noncombustible exterior cladding	
EXTW-4	38 mm x 140 mm wood studs spaced at 400 mm o.c. ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾ attached to cross- laminated timber (CLT) wall panels ≥ 38 mm thick ⁽⁸⁾	140 mm thick glass, rock or slag fibre in cavities formed by studs ⁽³⁾	Gypsum sheathing ≥ 12.7 mm thick	Noncombustible exterior cladding	
EXTW-5	89 mm horizontal Z-bars spaced at 600 mm o.c. attached to CLT wall panels ≥ 105 mm thick ⁽⁸⁾	89 mm thick rock or slag fibre in cavities formed by Z-bars ⁽³⁾⁽⁴⁾	-	Noncombustible exterior cladding attached to 19 mm vertical hat channels spaced at 600 mm o.c.	

Notes to Table D-6.1.1.:

(1) The stated stud dimensions are maximum values. Where wood studs with a smaller depth are used, the thickness of absorptive material in the cavities formed by the studs must be reduced accordingly.

- (2) Horizontal blocking between the vertical studs or horizontal stud plates must be installed at vertical intervals of at most 2 324 mm, such that the maximum clear length between the horizontal blocking or stud plates is 2 286 mm.
- (3) The absorptive material must conform to CAN/ULC-S702, "Mineral Fibre Thermal Insulation for Buildings."
- (4) The absorptive material must have a density not less than 32 kg/m3.
- (5) The fire-retardant-treated plywood siding must conform to the requirements of Article 3.1.4.5. and must have been conditioned in conformance with ASTM D 2898, "Accelerated Weathering of Fire-Retardant-Treated Wood for Fire Testing," before being tested in accordance with CAN/ ULC-S102, "Test for Surface Burning Characteristics of Building Materials and Assemblies."
- (6) The fire-retardant-treated plywood must conform to the requirements of Article 3.1.4.5.
- (7) Horizontal blocking between the vertical studs or horizontal stud plates must be installed at vertical intervals of at most 2 438 mm, such that the maximum clear length between the horizontal blocking or stud plates is 2 400 mm.
- (8) A water-resistant barrier may be attached to the face of the CLT wall panels.