Barrier Management Symposium

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Learning Objectives

1. Explore the gypsum mineral and its impact on fire resistance in a systems basis
2. Understand the different types of gypsum core and their relation to fire resistance
3. Determine recognized methods for repair installed gypsum panels
4. Innovative Technology
Gypsum Mineral

- Calcium Sulfate
- $\text{CaSO}_4 \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$
- 20% water by weight
Gypsum Mineral

- ASTM E 119 2hr. 1900°F
Gypsum Mineral

1” back  950° F
Gypsum Mineral

2” back  220° F
Gypsum Mineral

4” back  180° F
Gypsum Mineral

6” back 130° F
Hose Stream Test - Exposed Side
Cold-Formed Steel Background

33 Mils = 20ga  43 Mils = 18ga  54 Mils = 16ga

68 Mils = 14ga  97 Mils = 12ga
1 to 4 Hour Ratings
Gypsum Core Types

Three (3) Types of Gypsum Cores

• Regular Core
• Type X
• Type C
Panel Strength Comparison

- Simple Test @ 1850° F
- 13” x 13” x 5/8” Panels
- Regular, Type X & Type C Panels
- 12lb - 9oz. loading
Significance of Test

• Type X core ≠ Type C core

• Specify board type per UL design

• Specified panel must be installed
Floor-Ceiling Prior to Test
GA-605 – Gyp. Panel Products for use in UL Classified Systems

- Free to download
- [www.gypsum.org](http://www.gypsum.org)
- Gyp. Mfg. UL Type & Product Name

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GA-605 Type “C”: Ex. Mfg. Name & UL Type

- American Gypsum: AG-C
- CertainTeed: ProRoc Type C
- GP: Type 5
- LaFarge: Type LGFC-C/A
- National Gypsum: Type FSW-C
- Pabco: Type PG-C & Type C
- Temple-Inland: Fire Rated Type TG-C
- USG: Type C

* not all mfg.’s “C” core panels listed. See mfg.
GA-605 Type “X” : Ex. Mfg. Name & UL Type

- American Gypsum: Type AGX-1, AGX-11
- CertainTeed: ProRoc Type X
- GP: Type 9
- LaFarge: Type LGFC6A
- National Gypsum: Type FSW
- Pabco: Type PG-11
- Temple-Inland: Fire Rated Type X
- USG: Type SCX

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Orientation of Gypsum Panels on Walls

Perpendicular to the studs (horizontally applied)

Parallel to the studs (vertically applied)
Orientation of Gypsum Panels on Walls

• Conventional studs (minimum 25 gauge)

• Light gauge studs (equivalent thickness)
Orientation of Gypsum Panels on Walls

On Conventional Studs

• Vertical application – Standard

• Horizontal application – Referenced in the IBC and GA 600 – Based on an old test

• Achieved by most wallboard manufacturers at UL
Orientation of Gypsum Panels

On Light Gauge Studs

• Vertical application – Standard - Most manufacturers

• Horizontal application – Only achieved at UL with certain manufacturers
Fire Performance

Light Gauge Steel Stud Construction – UL U419

- Perpendicular (horizontal) installation with aligned horizontal joints
  - Top-down construction

1-hr Rated System Horizontal Without Backing
VERTICALLY
1 HOUR GYPSUM BOARD APPLIED WALL

STUDS 16” O.C.

JOINTS IN FINISH LAYERS TO RECEIVE PERF-A-TAPE AND JOINT COMPOUND
Repair Gypsum Panels

- Incidental Tears
- Small Indentation
- Fractured Core
- “Crease in Panel”
- Back Paper Damage
Repair Small Holes
Repair Large Holes

Partial Elevation - 1
Innovations

• Mold – Resistant Boards
• Lightweight Gypsum Panels Regular Core
• Lightweight Gypsum Panels
• Dust Control Joint Compound
Resources

- U.L. Fire Resistance Directory
- Gypsum Association
- Manufacturers’ Catalogs
- Technical Websites
  - UL Ultimate Fire Wizard
  - GA Association – gypsum.org
  - Steel Framing Alliance – steelframing.org
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