

Wood Frame Construction

- All lumber shall be spruce-pine-fir No. 1 & 2, and shall be identified by a grade stamp
- Maximum moisture content 19% at time of installation
- Wood framing members which are supported on concrete in direct contact with soil shall be separated from the concrete with 0.05mm polyethylene or type 'S' roll roofing

Walls

- Exterior walls shall consist of:
 - cladding
 - air barrier system lapped 100mm at joints
 - lumber, plywood, OSB or gypsum sheathing
 - 38x140 studs @ 400mm o.c.
 - RSI 3.34 insulation
 - 38x140 bottom plate
 - 38x140 double top plate
- Interior loadbearing walls shall consist of:
 - 38x89 studs @ 400mm o.c.
 - 38x98 bottom plate and double 38x89 top plate
 - 38x89 mid-girts if not sheathed
 - 12.7mm gypsum board sheathing

Floors

- See 50ld for floor joist size and spacing requirements
- Joists to have minimum 38mm of end bearing
- Joists shall bear on a sill plate fixed to foundation with 12.7mm anchor bolts @ 2400mm o.c
- Header joists between 1200mm and 3200mm in length shall be doubled. Header joists exceeding 3200mm shall be sized by calculations
- Trimmer joists shall be doubled when supported header is between 800mm and 2000mm. Trimmer joists shall be sized by calculations when supported header exceeds 2000mm
- 38x38 cross bridging required not more than 2100mm from each support and from other rows of bridging
- Joists shall be supported on joist hangers at all flush beams, trimmers, and headers.
- Non-loadbearing partitions shall be supported on a joist or on blocking between joists.
- See 50ld for subflooring requirements

Roof & Ceilings

- See 50ld for rafter, roof joist and ceiling joist size and spacing requirements
- Hip and valley rafter shall be 38mm deeper than common rafters
- 38x89 collar ties @ rafter spacing with 19x89 continuous brace at mid span if collar tie exceeds 2400mm in length
- See 50ld for roof sheathing requirements

Notching & Drilling of Trusses, Joists, Rafters

- Holes in floor, roof and ceiling members to be not larger than 1/4 the actual depth of member and not less than 50mm from edges
- Notches in floor, roof and ceiling members to be located on top of the member within 1/2 the actual depth from the edge of bearing and not greater than 1/3 the joist depth
- Wall studs may be notched or drilled provided that no less than 2/3 the depth of the stud remains, if load bearing, and 40mm if non-load bearing
- Roof truss members shall not be notched, drilled or weakened unless accommodated in the design

Roofing

- Fasteners for roofing shall be corrosion resistant. Roofing nails shall penetrate through or at least 12mm into roof sheathing
- Every asphalt shingle shall be fastened with at least 4 nails for 1000mm wide shingle (or 6 11mm staples)
- Eave protection shall extend 900mm up the roof slope from the edge, and at least 300mm from the inside face of the exterior wall, and shall consist of Type M or Type S Roll Roofing laid with minimum 100mm head and end laps cemented together, or glass Fibre or Polyester Fibre coated base sheets, or self sealing composite membranes consisting of modified bituminous coated material or No.15 saturated felt lapped and cemented. Eave protection is not required for unheated buildings, for roofs exceeding a slope of 1 in 1.5, or where a low slope asphalt shingle application is provided
- Open valleys shall be flashed with 2 layers of roll roofing, or 1 layer of sheet metal min. 600mm wide
- Flashing shall be provided at the intersection of shingle roofs with exterior walls and chimneys
- Sheet metal flashing shall consist of not less than 1.73mm sheet lead, 0.33mm galvanized steel, 0.33mm copper, 0.35mm zinc, or 0.48mm aluminum

Columns, Beams & Lintels

- Steel beams and columns shall be shop primed 350W steel.
- Minimum 89mm end bearing for wood and steel beams, with 190mm solid masonry beneath the beam.
- Steel columns to have minimum outside diameter of 73mm and minimum wall thickness of 4.76mm
- Wood columns for carports and garages shall be minimum 89mm x 89mm; in all other cases either 140mm x 140mm or 184mm round, unless calculations based on actual loads show lesser sizes are adequate. All columns shall be not less than the width of the supported member
- Masonry columns shall be a minimum of 290mm x 290mm or 240mm x 380mm
- Provide solid blocking the full width of the supported member under all concentrated loads

Insulation & Weatherproofing

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| Ceiling with attic | RSI 8.81 |
| Roof without attic | RSI 5.46 |
| Exterior Wall | RSI 4.23 |
| Foundation Wall | RSI 3.52 |
| Foundation > 50% exposed | RSI 4.23 |
| Exposed Floor | RSI 5.46 |
| Slabs on Grade (unheated) | RSI 1.76 |
| (heated) | RSI 1.76 |
- Supply Ducts in unheated space RSI 2.11
 - Insulation shall be protected with gypsum board or an equivalent interior finish, except for unfinished basements where 0.15mm poly is sufficient for fibreglass type insulations
 - Ducts passing through unheated space shall be made airtight with tape or sealant
 - Caulking shall be provided for all exterior doors and windows between the frame and the exterior cladding
 - Weatherstripping shall be provided on all doors and access hatches to the exterior, except doors from a garage to the exterior
 - Exterior walls, ceilings and floors shall be constructed so as to provide a continuous barrier to the passage of water vapour from the interior and to the leakage of air from the exterior