072100 - Thermal Insulation

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1.1 SUMMARY

A. The University of New Hampshire requires the following for new construction and retrofits:

1. Energy efficient equipment as determined by these industry standards shall be used, unless exempted on a case by case basis by the UNH Facilities Energy Office. The following order of priority shall address the equipment requirements for this category, based on the most stringent requirements that are specified.

   b. Please reference the current New Hampshire Energy Code as administered by the NH Public Utilities Commission.

2. All building envelope requirements shall adhere to Current New Hampshire State Energy Code Section 5, including insulation, fenestration and doors, and air leakage based on climate zone 5A, with the following exception:

3. All doors that separate a conditioned space from the exterior shall be protected with a vestibule per requirements in Current New Hampshire State Energy Code.

1.2 PRODUCTS

A. Section Includes:

   1. Foam-plastic board insulation.
   2. Glass-fiber board insulation.
   4. Spray polyurethane foam insulation.
   5. Vapor retarders.

1.3 SUBMITTALS

A. LEED Submittals:

   1. Product Data for Credit MR 4.1 and Credit MR 4.2: For products having recycled content, documentation indicating percentages by weight of postconsumer and preconsumer recycled content. Include statement indicating costs for each product having recycled content.

1.4 FOAM-PLASTIC BOARD INSULATION

A. Extruded-Polystyrene Board Insulation: ASTM C 578, of type and minimum compressive strength indicated below, with maximum flame-spread and smoke-developed indexes of 75 and 450, respectively, per ASTM E 84.
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PLANNING, DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION GUIDELINES

1. Manufacturers:
   a. DiversiFoam Products.
   b. Dow Chemical Company (The).
   c. Owens Corning.
   d. Pactiv Building Products.

2. Type X, 15 psi (104 kPa).
3. Type IV, 25 psi (173 kPa).
4. Type VI, 40 psi (276 kPa).
5. Type VII, 60 psi (414 kPa).
6. Type V, 100 psi (690 kPa).

B. Unfaced Wall Insulation Drainage Panels: Extruded-polystyrene board insulation complying with ASTM C 578, Type IV, 25-psi (173-kPa) or Type VI, 40-psi (276-kPa) minimum compressive strength; unfaced; fabricated with shiplap or channel edges and with one side having grooved drainage channels.

1. Manufacturers:
   a. DiversiFoam Products.
   b. Dow Chemical Company (The).
   c. Pactiv Building Products.

C. Geotextile-Faced Wall Insulation Drainage Panels: Extruded-polystyrene board insulation complying with ASTM C 578, Type IV, 25-psi (173-kPa) or Type VI, 40-psi (276-kPa) minimum compressive strength; fabricated with tongue-and-groove edges and with one side having grooved drainage channels faced with nonwoven geotextile filter fabric.

1. Manufacturers:
   a. Owens Corning.

D. Molded-Polystyrene Board Insulation: ASTM C 578, of type and minimum compressive strength indicated below, with maximum flame-spread and smoke-developed indexes of 75 and 450, respectively, per ASTM E 84.

1. Manufacturers:
   a. DiversiFoam Products.
   b. Plymouth Foam, Inc.

2. Type I, 10 psi (69 kPa).
3. Type II, 15 psi (104 kPa).
4. Type VIII, 20 psi (138 kPa).

E. Adhesive for Bonding Insulation: Product with demonstrated capability to bond insulation securely to substrates without damaging insulation and substrates.
1.5 GLASS-FIBER BOARD INSULATION

A. Manufacturers:
   1. CertainTeed Corporation.
   2. Johns Manville.
   4. Owens Corning.

B. Unfaced, Flexible Glass-Fiber Board Insulation: ASTM C 612, Type IA; ASTM C 553, Types I, II, and III; or ASTM C 665, Type I; with maximum flame-spread and smoke-developed indexes of 25 and 50, respectively, per ASTM E 84, passing ASTM E 136 for combustion characteristics.
   1. Nominal density of 1.0 lb/cu. ft. (16 kg/cu. m), thermal resistivity of 3.7 deg F x h x sq. ft./Btu x in. at 75 deg F (25.7 K x m/W at 24 deg C).
   2. Nominal density of not less than 1.5 lb/cu. ft. (24 kg/cu. m) or more than 1.7 lb/cu. ft. (27 kg/cu. m), thermal resistivity of 4 deg F x h x sq. ft./Btu x in. at 75 deg F (27.7 K x m/W at 24 deg C).

C. Unfaced, Glass-Fiber Board Insulation: ASTM C 612, Type IA; with maximum flame-spread and smoke-developed indexes of 25 and 50, respectively, per ASTM E 84, passing ASTM E 136 for combustion characteristics.
   1. Nominal density of 2.25 lb/cu. ft. (36 kg/cu. m), thermal resistivity of 4.3 deg F x h x sq. ft./Btu x in. at 75 deg F (29.8 K x m/W at 24 deg C).
   2. Nominal density of 3 lb/cu. ft. (48 kg/cu. m), thermal resistivity of 4.3 deg F x h x sq. ft./Btu x in. at 75 deg F (29.8 K x m/W at 24 deg C).
   3. Nominal density of 4.25 lb/cu. ft. (68 kg/cu. m), thermal resistivity of 4.3 deg F x h x sq. ft./Btu x in. at 75 deg F (29.8 K x m/W at 24 deg C).
   4. Nominal density of 6 lb/cu. ft. (96 kg/cu. m), thermal resistivity of 4.4 deg F x h x sq. ft./Btu x in. at 75 deg F (30.5 K x m/W at 24 deg C).

D. Sustainability Requirements: Provide glass-fiber board insulation as follows:
   1. Free of Formaldehyde: Insulation manufactured with 100 percent acrylic binders and no formaldehyde.
   2. Low Emitting: Insulation tested according to ASTM D 5116 and shown to emit less than 0.05-ppm formaldehyde.

1.6 GLASS-FIBER BLANKET INSULATION

A. Manufacturers:
   1. CertainTeed Corporation.
   2. Guardian Building Products, Inc.
   5. Owens Corning.
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B. Unfaced, Glass-Fiber Blanket Insulation: ASTM C 665, Type I; with maximum flame-spread and smoke-developed indexes of 25 and 50, respectively, per ASTM E 84; passing ASTM E 136 for combustion characteristics.

C. Sustainability Requirements: Provide glass-fiber blanket insulation as follows:
   1. Free of Formaldehyde: Insulation manufactured with 100 percent acrylic binders and no formaldehyde.
   2. Low Emitting: Insulation tested according to ASTM D 5116 and shown to emit less than 0.05-ppm formaldehyde.

1.7 SPRAY POLYURETHANE FOAM INSULATION

A. Closed-Cell Polyurethane Foam Insulation: ASTM C 1029, Type II, with maximum flame-spread and smoke-developed indexes of 75 and 450, respectively, per ASTM E 84.

   1. Manufacturers:
      a. BASF Corporation.
      b. Dow Chemical Company (The).
      c. Gaco Western Inc.
      d. Henry Company.

   2. Minimum density of 1.5 lb/cu. ft. (24 kg/cu. m), thermal resistivity of 6.2 deg F x h x sq. ft./Btu x in. at 75 deg F (43 K x m/W at 24 deg C).

B. Open-Cell Polyurethane Foam Insulation: Spray-applied polyurethane foam using water as a blowing agent, with maximum flame-spread and smoke-developed indexes of 75 and 450, respectively, per ASTM E 84.

   1. Manufacturers:
      a. BaySystems NorthAmerica, LLC.
      b. Demilec (USA) LLC.
      c. Gaco Western Inc.
      d. Icynene Inc.
      e. SWD Urethane Company.

   2. Minimum density of 0.4 lb/cu. ft. (6.4 kg/cu. m), thermal resistivity of 3.4 deg F x h x sq. ft./Btu x in. at 75 deg F (24 K x m/W at 24 deg C).

1.8 VAPOR RETARDERS

A. Polyethylene Vapor Retarders: ASTM D 4397, 6 mils (0.15 mm) thick, with maximum permeance rating of 0.13 perm (7.5 ng/Pa x s x sq. m).

B. Reinforced-Polyethylene Vapor Retarders: Two outer layers of polyethylene film laminated to an inner reinforcing layer consisting of either nylon cord or polyester scrim.
and weighing not less than 25 lb/1000 sq. ft. (12 kg/100 sq. m), with maximum permeance rating of 0.0507 perm (2.9 ng/Pa x s x sq. m).

1. Products:
   a. Raven Industries Inc.; DURA-SKRIM 6WW.

C. Fire-Retardant, Reinforced-Polyethylene Vapor Retarders: Two outer layers of polyethylene film laminated to an inner reinforcing layer consisting of either nonwoven grid of nylon cord or polyester scrim and weighing not less than 22 lb/1000 sq. ft. (10 kg/100 sq. m), with maximum permeance rating of 0.1317 perm (7.56 ng/Pa x s x sq. m) and with flame-spread and smoke-developed indexes of not more than 5 and 60, respectively, per ASTM E 84.

1. Products:
   a. Raven Industries Inc.; DURA-SKRIM 2FR.
   b. Reef Industries, Inc.; Griffolyn T-55 FR.

D. Vapor-Retarder Tape: Pressure-sensitive tape of type recommended by vapor-retarder manufacturer for sealing joints and penetrations in vapor retarder.

E. Vapor-Retarder Fasteners: Pancake-head, self-tapping steel drill screws; with fender washers.

F. Single-Component Nonsag Urethane Sealant: ASTM C 920, Type I, Grade NS, Class 25, Use NT related to exposure, and Use O related to vapor-barrier-related substrates.

G. Adhesive for Vapor Retarders: Product recommended by vapor-retarder manufacturer and has demonstrated capability to bond vapor retarders securely to substrates indicated.

1.9 INSTALLATION, GENERAL

A. Comply with insulation manufacturer’s written instructions applicable to products and applications indicated.

B. Install insulation that is undamaged, dry, and unsoiled and that has not been left exposed to ice, rain, or snow at any time.

C. Extend insulation to envelop entire area to be insulated. Cut and fit tightly around obstructions and fill voids with insulation. Remove projections that interfere with placement.

D. Provide sizes to fit applications indicated and selected from manufacturer’s standard thicknesses, widths, and lengths. Apply single layer of insulation units to produce thickness indicated unless multiple layers are otherwise shown or required to make up total thickness.
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