

Commercial Valuations

The type of commercial valuation system used is determined by each individual customer. At the current time we use three different commercial valuation systems. There is no fee for any of the valuations as they are considered a part of the standard fee for the main line of coverage requested. Most of our coverages require a valuation to be completed on any building that is owned, has coverage carried by the insured, or when the customer requests it specifically.

The available valuation systems are as follows:

BVSC

- The BVSC is our default valuation system.
- Building Valuation System Commercial (BVSC) is the commercial valuation system for Marshall/Swift/Boeckh.

QCE

- Quick Commercial Estimator (QCE) is the commercial valuation system from E2Value.
- This system is designed for standard commercial operations.
- At the current time, we do not have a GISA form for the QCE. If a QCE is requested, please add and complete the BVSC.

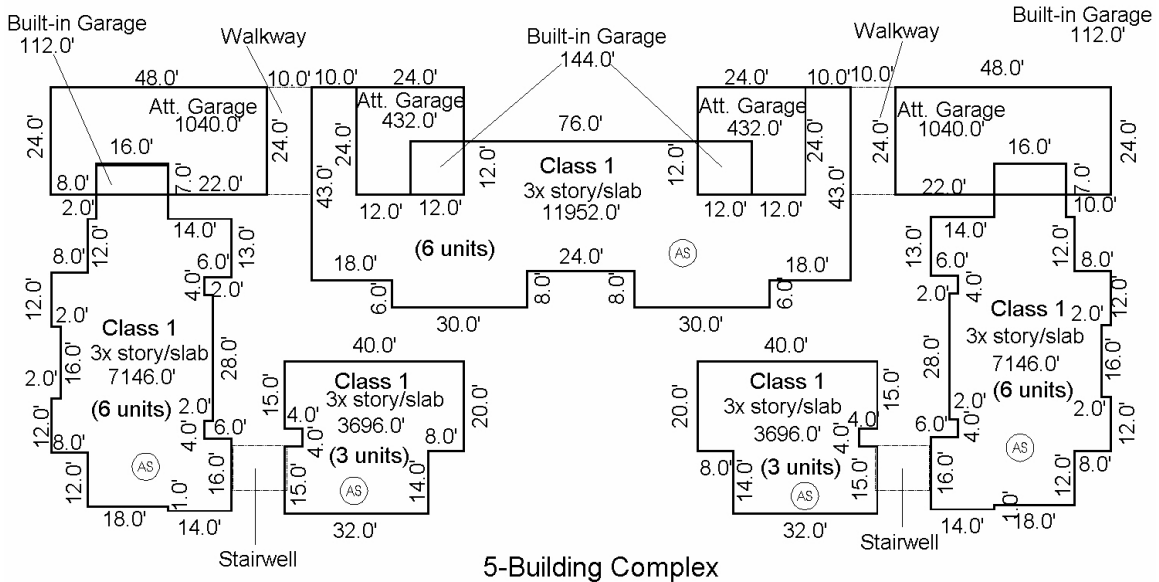
E2FR

- Farm & Ranch Estimator (E2FR) is the farm outbuilding valuation system from E2Value.
- This system is designed for commercial farming and hobby farming operations.
- At the current time, we do not have a GISA form for the E2FR. If an E2FR is requested, please add and complete the BVSC.

PLEASE REVIEW THE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION IN THIS SECTION!

Criteria for Commercial Diagram:

- 1) Building, with all different elevations, to be labeled by number of stories (1 story, 2 Story, 3 Story, etc.)
- 2) Foundation types to be labeled (Basement, Slab, Crawl, Stilts, None).
- 3) ISO Class of Construction to be labeled (Class 1, Class 2, Class 3, Class 4, Class 5, Class 6).
- 4) The gross building square footage should be displayed for each section of different story height and foundation type. The gross square footage would be the best scenario.
- 5) Able to indicate different types of garages (attached, built-in, & basement).
- 6) Indicate whether the building is all-sprinkled, partial-sprinkled, and non-sprinkled.
- 7) Adjacent exposures to the left, right, & rear. The exposures will need to be defined by # of stories, ISO class, type of occupancy, & distance from risk.
- 8) Fire Hydrant location with distance.
- 9) Location of insured's street by text name.
- 10) Northern direction indicated (optional).



5-Building Complex

Total Living Area: 33,636

Total Garages: 3,456

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Front 24 Unit Complex



Rear - 24 Unit Bldg



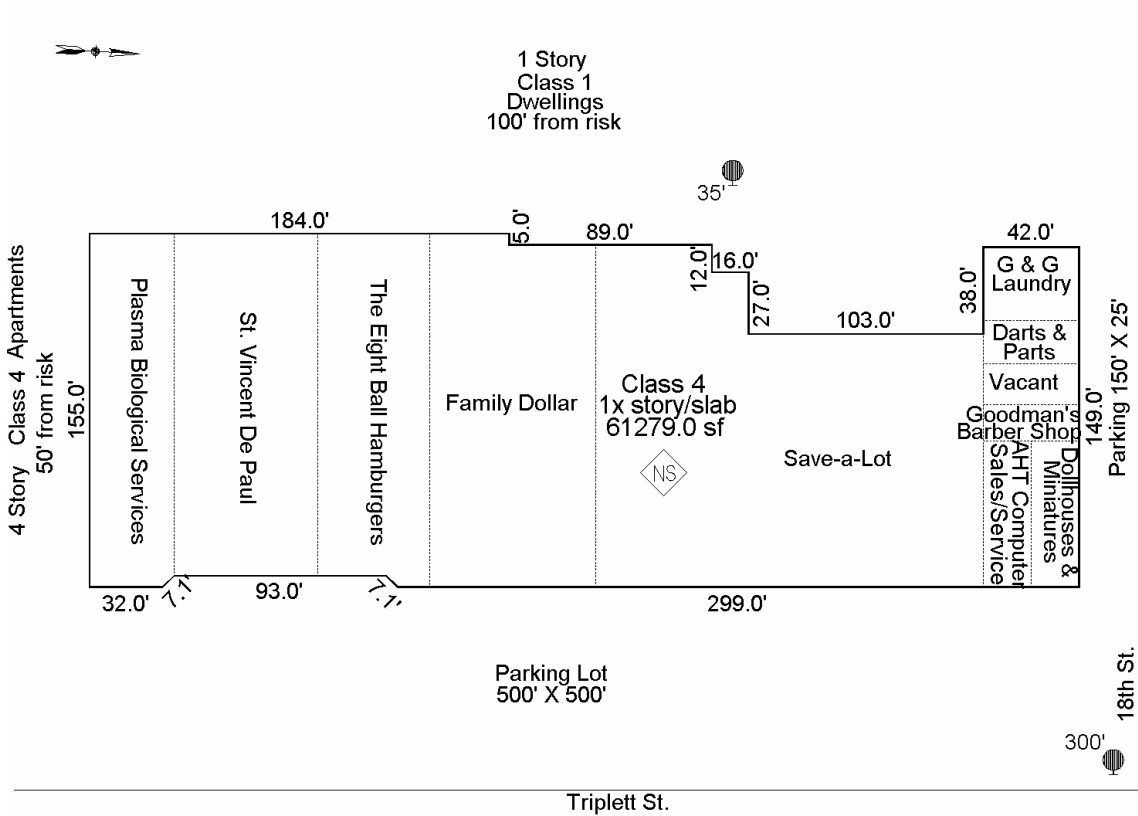
Side - 24 Unit Bldg



Front - 8 Unit Bldg



Rear - 8 Unit Bldg



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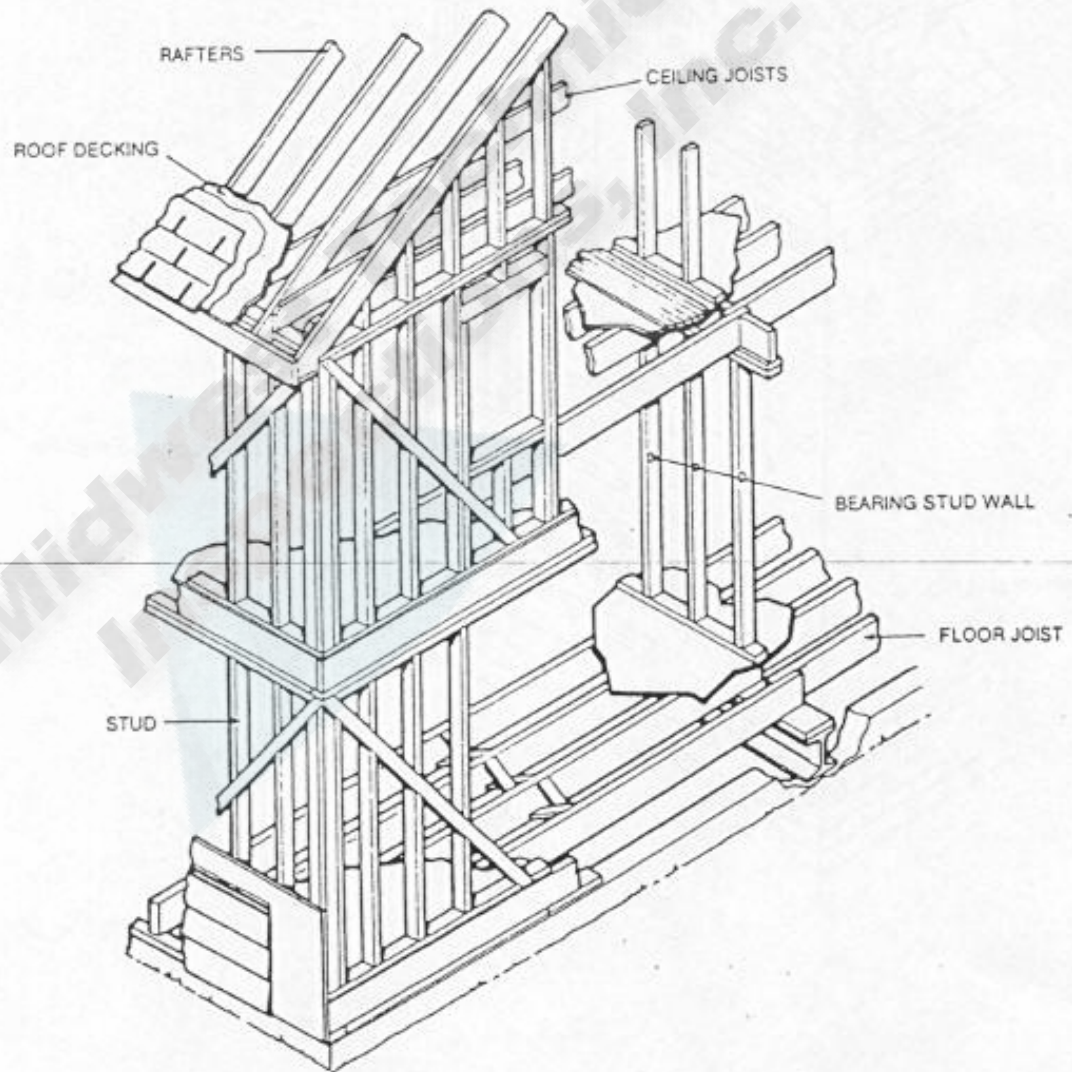
Front / Right

CONSTRUCTION CLASSIFICATION

To distinguish different construction materials and assemblies, their corresponding cost differences, and their fire-related characteristics, the following construction classifications are used:

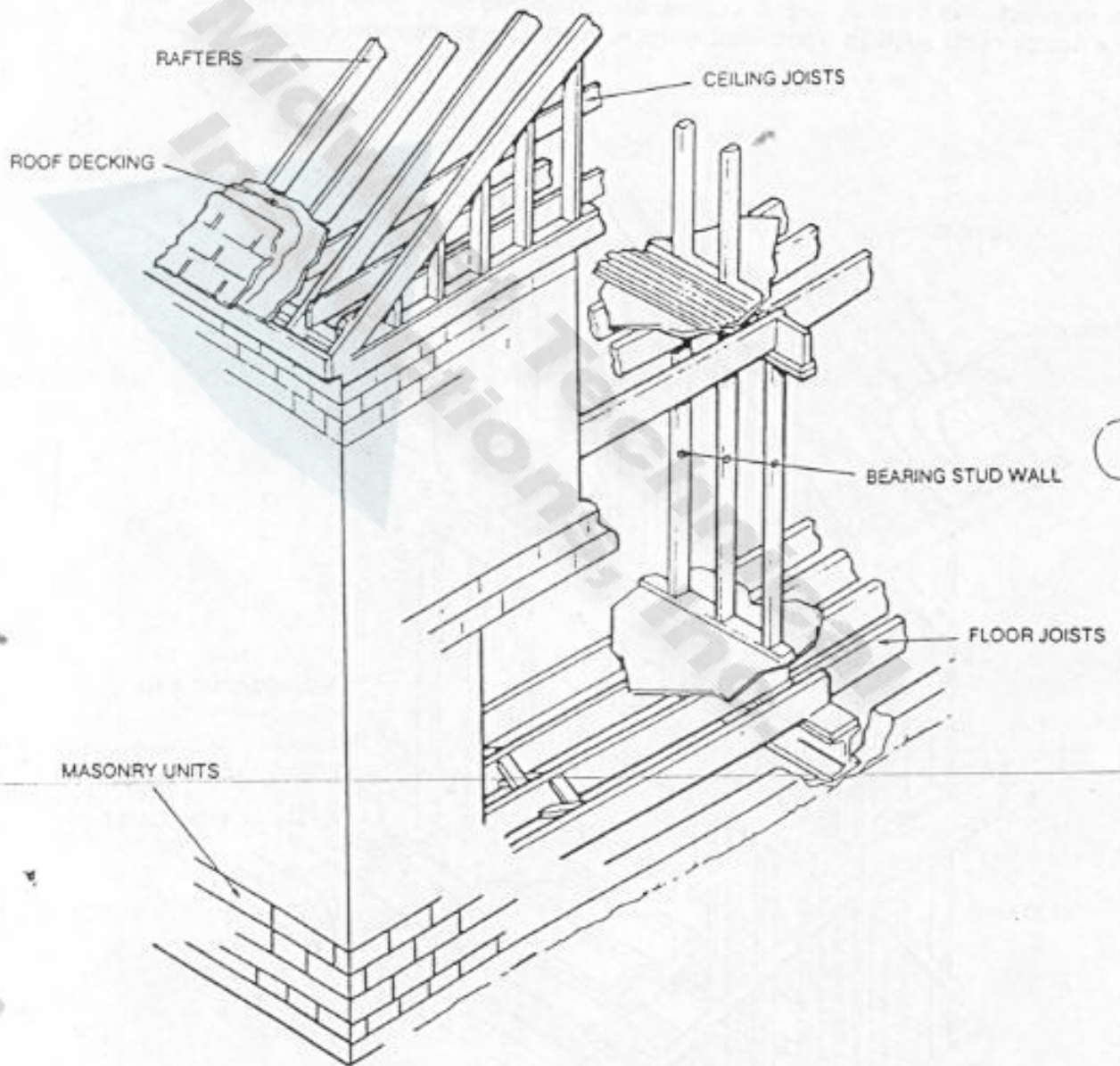
FRAME CONSTRUCTION (WOOD FRAME)

A building where the exterior walls, bearing walls and partitions, and the structural floors and roof and their supports are wholly or partly of wood or other combustible material. This includes buildings in which the combustible materials are combined with other materials to form composite components such as wood stud walls with brick or stone veneer, stucco, or metal siding.



JOISTED MASONRY CONSTRUCTION (MASONRY EXTERIOR WALLS, WOOD FLOORS AND ROOF)

A building where the exterior walls are constructed of masonry materials such as brick, concrete, gypsum block, hollow or solid concrete block, stone, tile, or similar materials. The structural floors and roof are wholly or partly of wood or other combustible material.



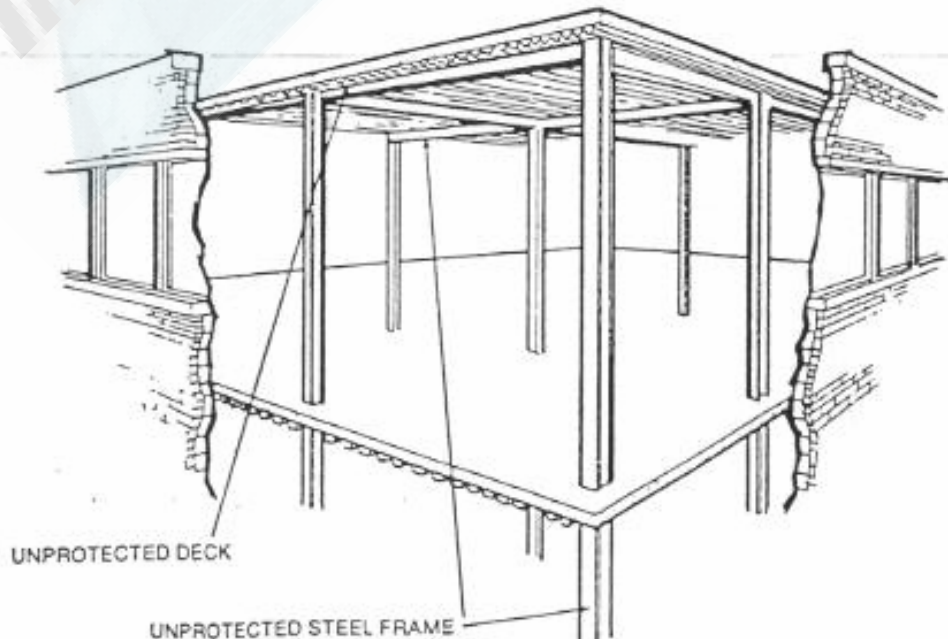
NON-COMBUSTIBLE CONSTRUCTION (PRE-ENGINEERED STEEL FRAME)

A building which employs a system of pre-fabricated steel framing members. The roof is usually constructed of metal panels, the exterior walls of metal siding, sandwich panels, or masonry materials. Light non-combustible construction is sometimes referred to as "pre-engineered." It is often advisable to deduct the architects' fee of 7% from the cost of the building because the characteristics of the buildings are repetitive.



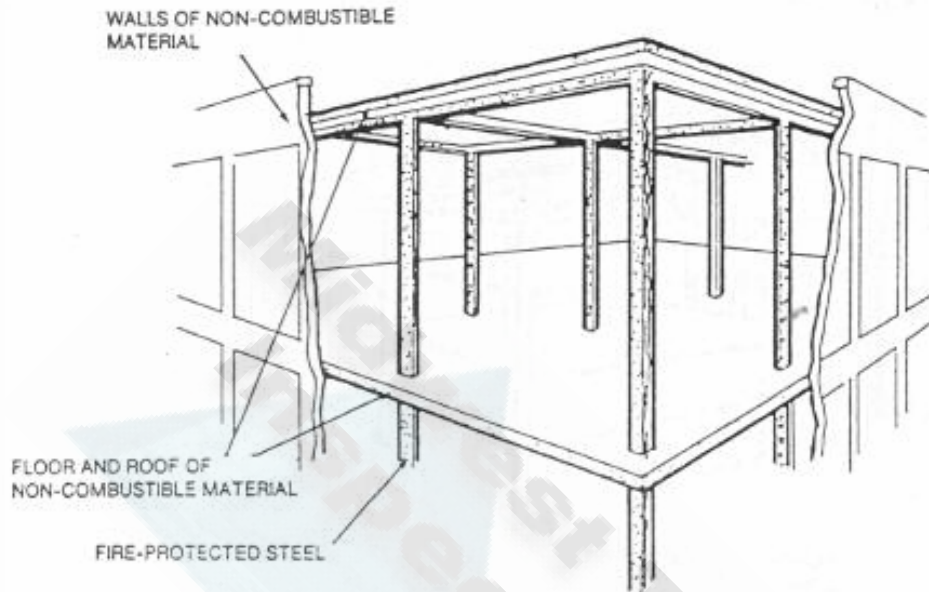
MASONRY NON-COMBUSTIBLE CONSTRUCTION (STEEL FRAME)

A building where the bearing walls or bearing portions of walls are of fire resistive construction (not less than one hour), or of masonry, and the structural floors and roof and their supports are of unprotected non-combustible materials.



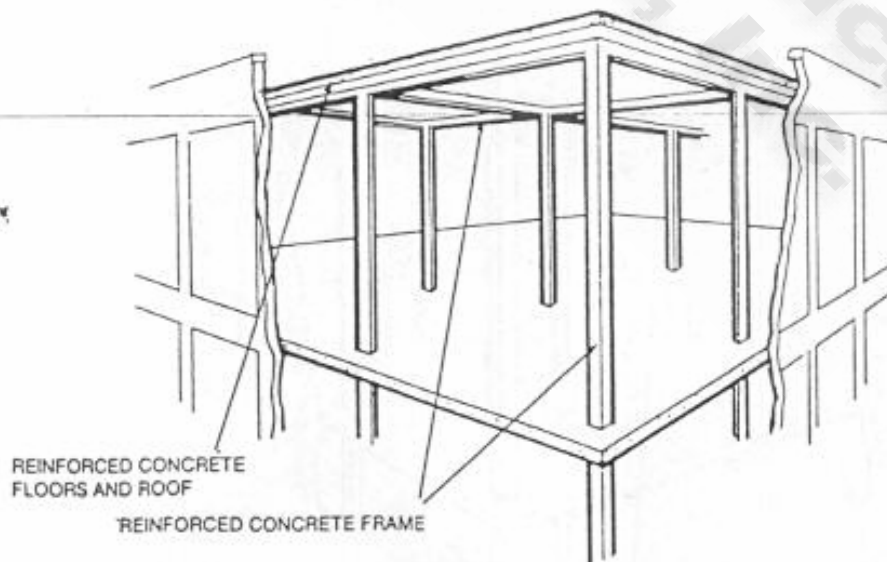
MODIFIED FIRE RESISTIVE CONSTRUCTION (FIREPROOFED STEEL FRAME)

A building where the bearing walls or bearing portions of walls, and the structural floors and roof and their supports are of non-combustible construction with a fire resistance rating of not less than one hour.



FIRE RESISTIVE CONSTRUCTION (REINFORCED CONCRETE FRAME)

A building where the bearing walls or bearing portion of walls, and structural floors and roof and their supports are of materials with a fire resistance rating of not less than two hours.



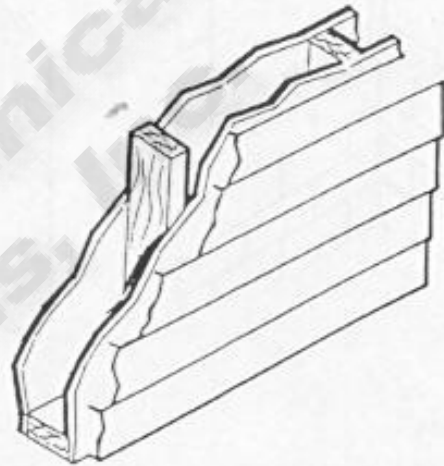
EXTERIOR WALL CONSTRUCTION

The base costs were calculated using a typical or "average" wall cost. If specific data is known, adjust accordingly.

Drawings are provided for each of the fifteen wall types used in the models. These are meant to be guidelines showing what is included in each wall type. The walls used are not the same for each class within a model, since typical wall construction differs with the type of framing employed.



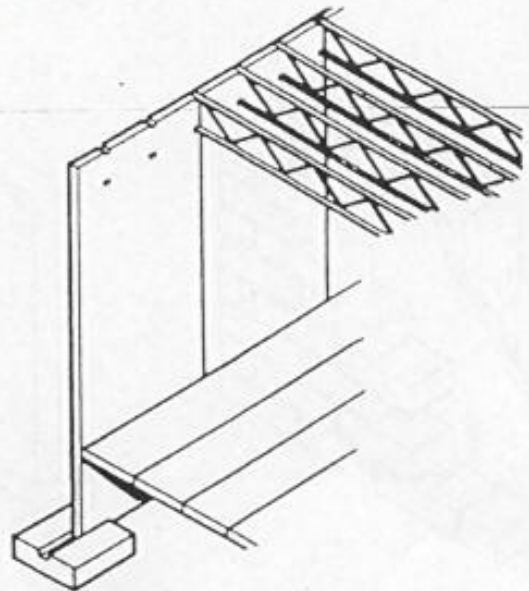
A. Stucco on wood/metal studs



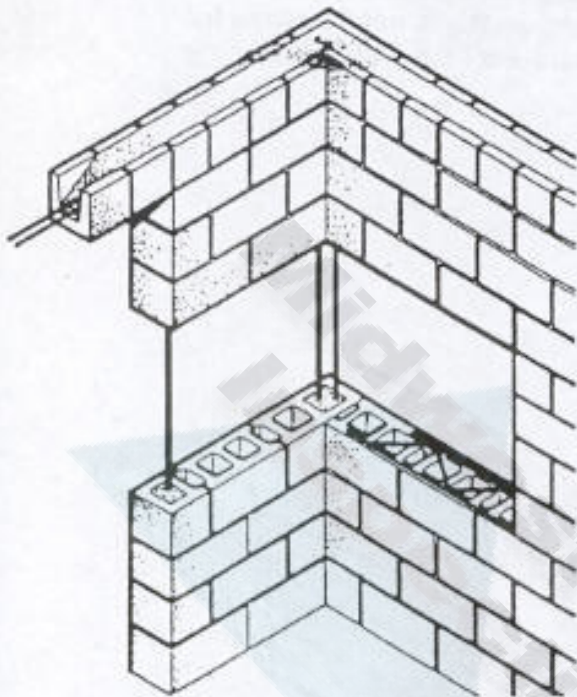
B. Siding on wood/metal studs



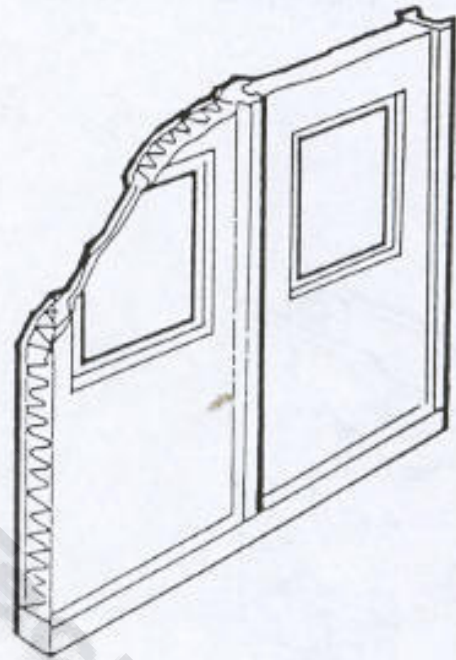
C. Metal siding on girts



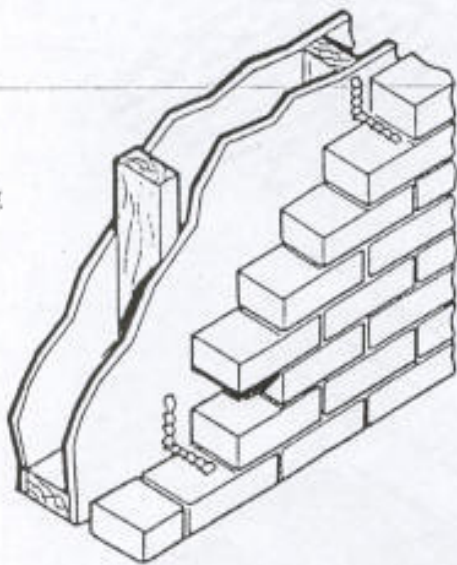
D. Tilt-up concrete panels



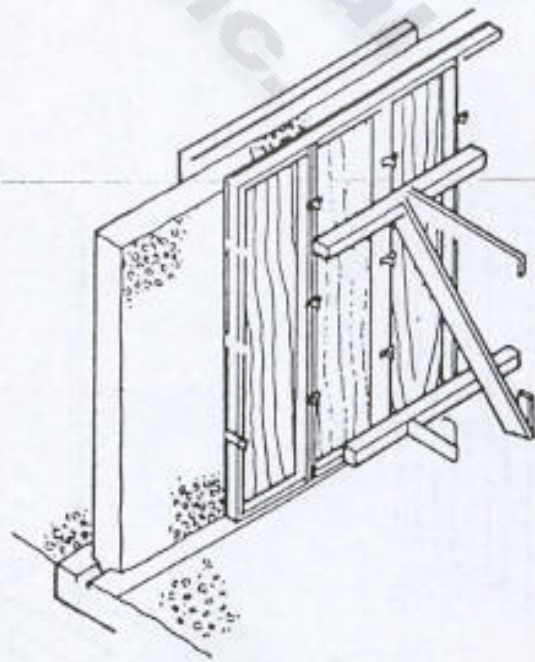
E. Concrete block



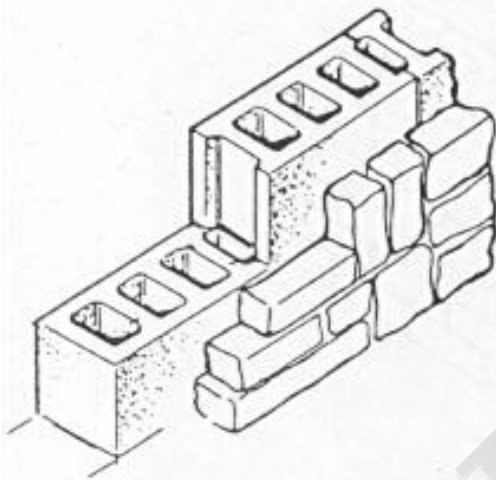
F. Insulated sandwich panels



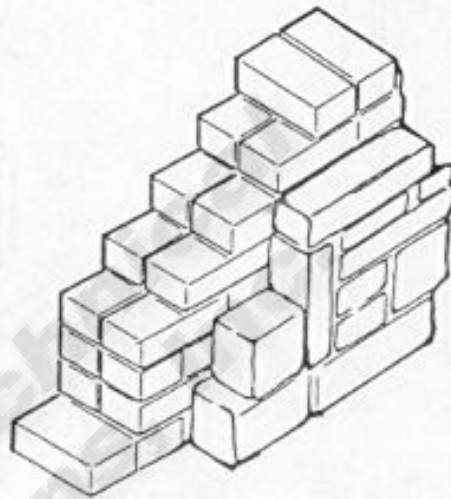
G. Brick veneer on wood/metal studs



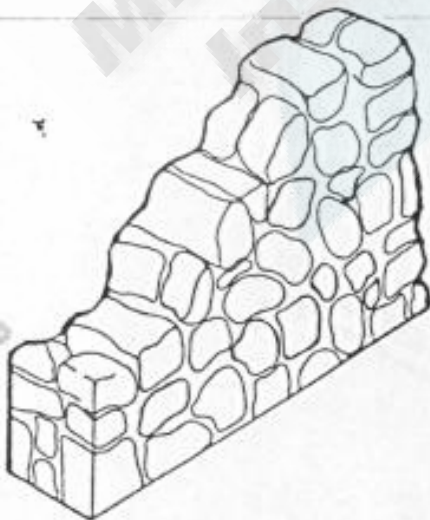
H. poured concrete



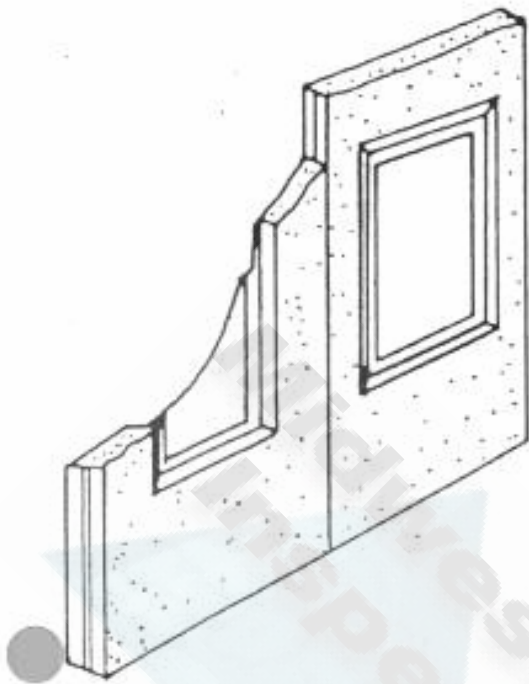
M. Native stone with block back-up



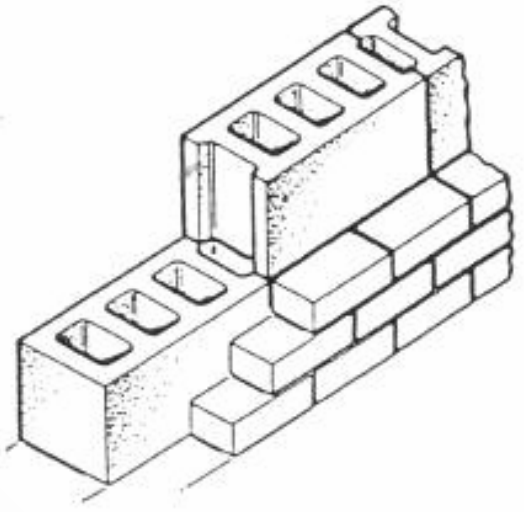
N. Native stone with brick back-up



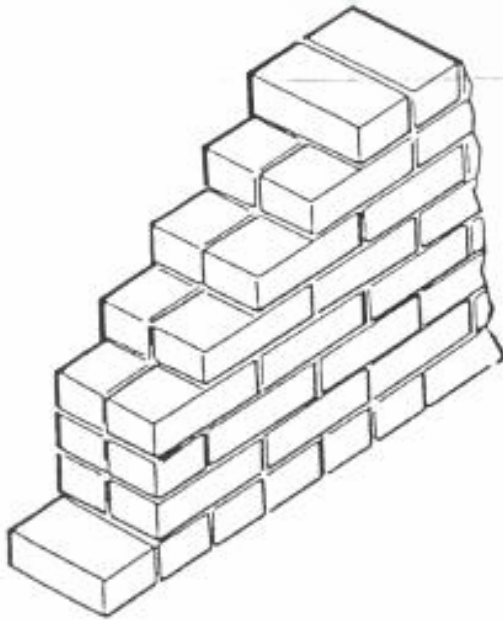
O. Solid native stone



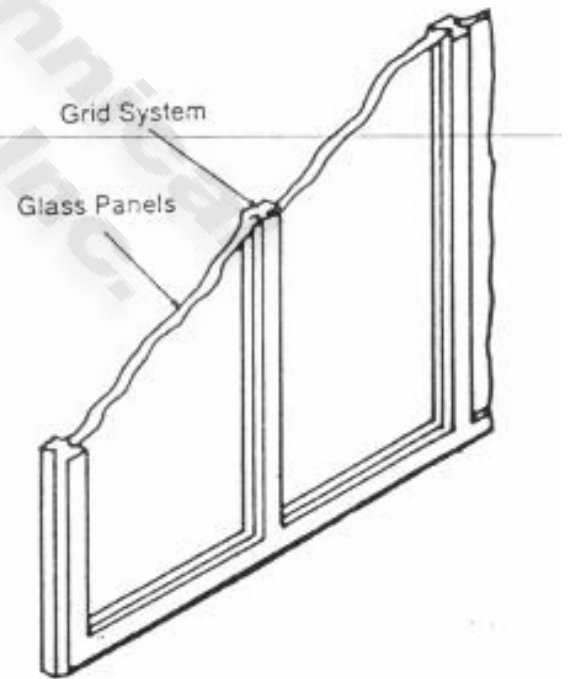
I. Precast concrete panels



J. Brick with block back-up



K. Solid brick



L. Glass curtain wall



BVSC

Account / Account Code:
Insured:
Telephone:

Agency:
Policy #:
Alt. Phone:

Building Data

Section Name
Co-Insurance %
Insured Amount

Building Superstructure

* # Of Stories
* Gross Floor Area
Gross Perimeter
Quality (1.0 Economy - 3.0 Superior) (Choose one value)
Year Built
* Occupancy Code 1 Description 1
* Construction Type: % Frame
* Construction Type: % Masonry Non-Combustible

Building Substructure

Unfinished Basement Area
Finished Basement Area
Basement Occupancy Code
Basement Description
Basement Construction Type (Choose one value)
Basement Depth
Other: Crawlspace
Other: Stilts Wood

Exterior: Wall Finish

% Brick, on Masonry
% Native Stone, on Masonry
% Brick, on Studs
% Concrete, Poured-In-Place
% Concrete, Precast Panels
% EIFS, on Masonry
% EIFS, on Studs
% Glass / Metal Curtain Wall
% Insulated Sandwich Panel

Exterior: Roof Materials

% Aluminum
% Asphalt shingles
% Built-up, Smooth
% Built-up, Tar and Gravel / Rock
% Copper
% Fiberglass, Translucent panels
% Fiberglass, shingles
% Metal Sandwich Panels
% Mineral Fiber
% Single-Ply Membrane
% Slate
% Steel
% Steel, Porcelain Coated
% Tile, Clay
% Tile, Concrete
% Tin (terne)
% Wood, Shakes / Shingles
% None

Exterior: Roof Pitch

% Flat _____ % Low _____ % Medium _____ % High _____

Interior: Floor Finish

% Brick _____	% Slate _____
% Carpeting _____	% Synthetic Gym Floor _____
% Concrete Sealer or Topping _____	% Terrazzo _____
% Epoxy _____	% Tile, Asphalt _____
% Gratings _____	% Tile, Rubber _____
% Hardwood _____	% Tile, Vinyl Composite _____
% Hardwood, Gym Floor _____	% Tile, Ceramic _____
% Linoleum _____	% Tile, Quarry _____
% Marble _____	% Vinyl Sheet _____
% Pedestal _____	% None _____
% Seamless _____	

Interior: Ceiling Finish

% Cold Storage Insulation _____	% Textured Finish _____
% Drywall _____	% Tile, Acoustical _____
% Drywall, Vinyl Covered _____	% Tile, Cork _____
% Paint _____	% Tile, Metal _____
% Plaster on Lath _____	% Wallpaper or Vinyl _____
% Plaster, Sprayed _____	% Wood Paneling _____
% Plywood, Hardboard, Fiberboard _____	% None _____
% Suspended Acoustical _____	

Mechanicals: Heating System

% Boiler and Piping Only _____	% Steam or Hot Water with Radiators _____
% Electric Baseboard or Wall Unit _____	% Steam or Hot Water with Unit Heaters _____
% Forced Warm Air _____	% Thru-wall Units _____
% Gas, Oil, or Electric Suspended Unit Heaters _____	% Ventilation Only _____
% Heat Pump _____	% None _____
% Rooftop Unit _____	

Mechanicals: Cooling System

% Chilled Water with Air Handlers _____	% Rooftop Unit _____
% Chilled Water with Fan Coil Units _____	% Thru-wall Units _____
% Evaporative Coolers _____	% Unit AC - Air Cooled _____
% Forced Cool Air _____	% Unit AC - Water Cooled _____
% Heat Pump _____	% None _____

Mechanicals: Fire Protection Systems (% of Gross Area)

% Sprinkler System _____	% Automatic Fire Detection _____
% Fire Alarm System _____	

Mechanicals: Electrical Quality

% High _____	% Low _____
% Average _____	% None _____

Mechanicals: Elevators**Passenger Elevators (Choose one value)**

None 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15

Freight Elevators (Choose one value)

None 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15

User Adjustments**Building Condition (Choose one value)**

Excellent Good Average Poor Very Poor **Effective Age** _____

BVSC OCCUPANCY CODES

Basement

- 101 Basement, Unfinished
- 102 Basement, Partially Finished
- 103 Basement, Finished
- 104 Basement, Underground Parking
- 105 Parking on First Level

Habitational

- 1100 Apartment, Low-Rise
- 1110 Apartment, Low-Rise, Older
- 1200 Apartment, High-Rise
- 1221 Apartment, High-Rise, Shell
- 1222 Apartment, High-Rise, Interior Space
- 1225 Luxury Apartment, High-Rise
- 1300 Condominium
- 1331 Condominium, Shell
- 1332 Condominium, Interior Space
- 1340 Deluxe Condominium
- 1350 Row House
- 1440 Dormitory
- 1445 Fraternity House
- 1450 Convent or Rectory
- 1455 Mansion
- 1460 Bed & Breakfast
- 1500 Hotel, Full Service
- 1550 Hotel, Limited Service
- 1560 Hotel, Older
- 1570 Lodge
- 1600 Motel
- 1610 Motel, Double Row
- 1620 Motel, Single Row
- 1630 Motel, Extended Stay
- 1640 Rooming House
- 1645 Office-Apartment (Motel)

Offices

- 2100 Office, Low-Rise
- 2121 Office, Low-Rise, Shell
- 2122 Office, Low-Rise, Interior Space
- 2124 Office, Low-Rise, Older
- 2200 Office, Mid-Rise
- 2300 Office High-Rise
- 2500 Bank or Savings and Loan
- 2510 Bank or Savings and Loan (Mini or Branch Bank)
- 2600 City Hall Or Courthouse
- 2605 Government Community Service Building
- 2650 Radio or TV Broadcast Center
- 2655 Mechanical Penthouse

Mercantile

- 3100 Store or Shop, General
- 3102 Store or Shop, Older
- 3105 Barber Shop
- 3110 Florist Shop
- 3120 Bookstore
- 3125 Drugstore
- 3200 Department Store
- 3215 Department Store, Discount
- 3300 Shopping Center, Strip Type
- 3301 Shopping Center, Strip Type, Shell
- 3302 Shopping Center, Strip Type, Interior space
- 3310 Shopping Center, Mall Type
- 3311 Shopping Center, Mall Type, Shell
- 3312 Shopping Center, Mall Type, Interior Space

Mercantile (Continued)

- 3400 Store with Offices Above
- 3401 Store with Apartment Above
- 3500 Convenience Food Store
- 3505 Supermarket
- 3510 Warehouse Food Store
- 3600 Furniture Warehouse/Showroom
- 3700 Home Improvement Center

Restaurant/Recreation

- 4100 Fast Food without Seating
- 4110 Fast Food with Seating
- 4115 Dining
- 4120 Cafeteria
- 4125 Bar or Lounge
- 4200 Bowling Center
- 4205 Cinema
- 4206 Theater, Live Stage
- 4210 Clubhouse/Recreation Building
- 4215 Country Club
- 4220 Community Center
- 4225 Senior Clubhouse
- 4230 Indoor Tennis Club
- 4232 City Club
- 4235 Health and Racquetball Club
- 4240 Health Club
- 4242 Fitness Center
- 4245 Indoor Ice or Roller Rink
- 4300 Park Restroom Building
- 4305 Dressing and Shower facility
- 4310 Enclosed Park Pavilion
- 4315 Open Park Pavilion
- 4320 Concession Stand
- 4325 Concession Stand with Press Box

Professional Services

- 5100 Medical Clinic
- 5110 Hospital
- 5120 Outpatient Surgical Center
- 5125 Dispensary
- 5130 Dental Office/Clinic
- 5200 Nursing Home/Convalescent Center
- 5210 Home for the Elderly
- 5215 Multiple Residence, Senior Citizen
- 5220 Multiple Residence, Assisted Living
- 5225 Group Care Home
- 5230 Funeral Home
- 5300 Veterinary Clinic
- 5305 Dog Kennel

Public Buildings

- 6100 Church, Basic
- 6105 Church, Average
- 6110 Church, Elaborate
- 6115 Church, Traditional
- 6120 Church, Contemporary
- 6125 Church, Contemporary, High
- 6130 Church, Contemporary, Mansard
- 6135 Church, Modern A-Frame
- 6140 Church, Auditorium Type
- 6145 Church with Sunday School
- 6155 Educational Wing
- 6200 Fellowship Hall
- 6205 Fraternal Building

ADDITIONAL CODES ON BACK

Public Buildings (Continued)

6300 Elementary School
 6310 Junior High School
 6314 High School
 6318 School, Older
 6321 Fine Arts/Crafts Building (Elem - High School)
 6322 Classroom (Elem - High School)
 6324 Lecture Classroom (Elem - High School)
 6325 Library/Media Center (Elem - High School)
 6326 Manual Arts Building (Elem - High School)
 6327 Multipurpose Buildings (Elem - High School)
 6329 Science Classrooms
 6330 Gymnasium (Elem - High School)
 6340 Vocational School;
 6345 Technical Trades Building
 6400 University
 6402 Administration Building (University or Trade School)
 6404 Classroom (University)
 6406 Laboratory (University)
 6408 Lecture Hall (University)
 6410 Library (University)
 6412 Fine Arts/Crafts Building (University)
 6414 Commons (University)
 6420 Physical Education Building (University)
 6422 Field House
 6424 Auditorium
 6426 Natatorium
 6500 Library (Public)
 6505 Fire Station
 6506 Fire Station, Volunteer
 6510 Police Station or Jail
 6511 Jail, Correctional Facility
 6515 Post Office
 6516 Post Office, Branch
 6517 Post Office Main, Processing Facility
 6520 Air Terminal (Small Regional)
 6522 Air Terminal (Large Commercial)
 6525 Armory
 6530 Atrium
 6531 Dining Atrium
 6540 Day Care Center
 6550 Museum
 6560 Visitor Center

Services

7100 Service Station
 7105 Truck Stop
 7110 Auto Repair/Service Center
 7115 Quick Oil Change Facility
 7120 Car Wash
 7121 Car Wash, Self-Serve
 7122 Car Wash, Automatic
 7125 Showroom with Service Area
 7126 Automobile Showroom
 7130 Marina
 7131 Boat Storage
 7140 Service Occupancy
 7150 Aircraft Hangar
 7151 Storage Hangar
 7152 T-Hangar
 7160 Lumber Storage Facility
 7165 Bus Terminal

Services (Continued)

7170 Truck Terminal
 7175 Municipal Service Garage
 7180 Laundromat
 7200 Parking Structure
 7300 Self-Storage Facility
 7310 Mini-Warehouse
 7315 Mini-Warehouse, High-Rise

Industrial

8100 Manufacturing, Light
 8101 Manufacturing, Pole Frame
 8200 Warehouse, Light
 8201 Warehouse, Pole Frame
 8210 Warehouse, Heavy
 8215 Warehouse, Mega
 8220 Warehouse, Cold Storage
 8221 Cold Storage Facilities
 8300 Industrial Mall Building
 8301 Industrial Mall Building, Interior Space
 8302 Industrial Mall Building, Shell
 8400 Utility Building
 8402 Utility Building, Light Commercial
 8410 Boiler House
 8500 Wholesale Occupancy
 8510 Industrial Park Building
 8515 Manufacturing, Heavy
 8516 Manufacturing, Heavy Industrial
 8520 Office Service Center Building
 8525 Production Laboratory
 8530 High-Tech Production Facility
 8535 Industrial Flex Building

Processes

9000 Bakery
 9010 Bottling Plant
 9020 Cannery
 9030 Dairy
 9040 Laundry or Dry Cleaning Plant
 9050 Commercial Greenhouse



M I D W E S T T E C H N I C A L M E M O

DATE: 6/7/04 (Re-issued 5/19/05)
TO: All Commercial Inspectors
FROM: Bob Humphrey
RE: Habitational Valuations for Commercial Reports –
UPDATED

****GUIDELINES FOR CL VALUATIONS ON HABITATIONAL TYPE STRUCTURES****

Effective immediately, we are to follow these new guidelines when completing a valuation on a habitational type risk. This includes single family dwellings converted to offices or other types of occupancy.

SINGLE FAMILY DWELLING STRUCTURES

- 1 Family Dwelling – RCT (or E2VE, if customer requests)
- 2 - 4 Family structure converted from 1 Family Dwelling – RCT (or E2VE, if customer requests)
- Office or other occupancy converted from single family dwelling that does not include a major change in the layout or design of the dwellings interior - RCT (or E2VE, if customer requests)
- Office or other occupancy converted from single family dwelling that has had a major change in the layout or design of the dwellings interior - BVSC

APARTMENT STRUCTURES

- 2 - 4 Family structure that includes duplex, triplex, & quadplex structures vertically (2, 3, or 4 story in height) or horizontally (Townhouse style) constructed - BVSC
- 5 or more Family structure - BVSC

CONVERTED NON-HABITATIONAL STRUCTURES TO HABITATIONAL

- Habitational structure that has been converted from a non-habitational structure (Pole Building, Manufacture Building, Warehouse, Office Building) of single or multiple occupancy - BVSC

For any other forms of habitational “ONLY” occupancy not described above, complete the BVSC valuation format.

How To Identify EIFS Versus Traditional Hard-Coat or Stucco

Exterior Insulation and Finish Systems [EIFS] are non-load bearing exterior wall systems; most of which are designed to be attached to exterior sheathing with an adhesive or mechanical fastener. Often referred to as synthetic stucco, EIFS are designed to provide a weather [resistant] barrier with a decorative finish coat and thermal insulation. These systems are used on both residential and commercial buildings and, in appearance, look very much like traditional stucco.

The EIFS Industry Members Association [EIMA], states that EIFS typically consist of the following components:

1. insulation board, made of polystyrene or polyisocyanurate foam, which is secured to the exterior wall surface with a specially formulated adhesive and/or mechanical attachment
2. a durable, water-resistant base coat, which is applied on top of the insulation and reinforced with fiber glass mesh for added strength
3. an attractive and durable finish coat - typically using acrylic co-polymer technology - which is both colorfast and crack-resistant.

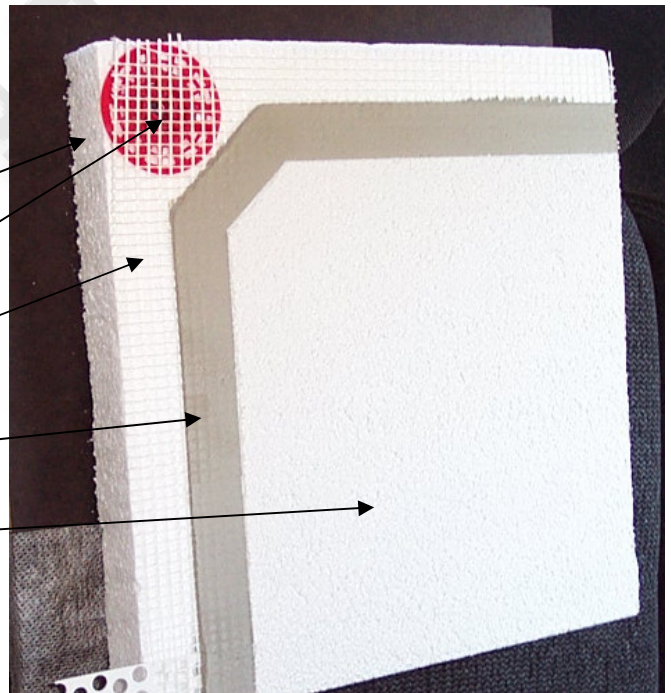
FOAM INSULATION BOARD:

MECHANICAL ATTACHMENT:

REINFORCEMENT MESH:

BASE COAT:

FINISH TOP COAT:

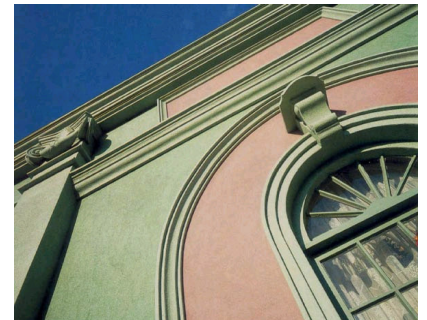


If the construction of the exterior finish cannot be determined through a visual inspection or by interviewing the owner of the home, there are several “hands-on” or “visible” indications, which include:

- ✓ EIFS, with its’ foam insulation board, is a relatively soft and light weight material. Push hard on EIFS and you should feel some “give” into the soft insulation board. Traditional stucco is typically installed over metal lath and it will not “give” in the same manner. In other words, thumping EIFS with your hand will produce a hollow sound and feel; while striking stucco with your hand will give you a more solid sound and feel.
- ✓ Lightly scratch the exterior coating of the EIFS with your fingernail(s). You will typically hear an echo with EIFS and not with masonry stucco.
- ✓ Touch the EIFS with your fingertips. EIFS are generally warmer and feels “softer” than the colder, harder masonry stucco. You can also feel with your fingers, the bottom edge of the system at ground level for the foam board.
- ✓ EIFS is typically considered to be more aesthetically pleasing than traditional stucco. This is particularly true with regards to its’ lack of noticeable control or expansion joints which are necessary in a traditional stucco over wood frame application (note the horizontal lines below). Expansion joints may be found in EIFS but typically at the foundation level and possibly where architectural elements overlay the system.



- ✓ EIFS, because of its’ foam insulation board, is very easy to shape into different architectural trim elements such as decorative bands around windows and doors, quoins on the corners or moldings around the roofline. Traditional stucco is only used in the



“field” or surfaces other than trim.



✓ **Lastly – EIFS was introduced into the US market in 1969 by Dryvit® - originally for commercial application. By 1980 – it had spread to wider use in the residential homebuilding market. For the value homes being inspected by our fee companies, the following assumptions should be made:**

- **1980 post construction – assume the home is EIFS unless the homeowner is interviewed and proven otherwise.**
- **1969-1980 construction – assume the home is EIFS unless the homeowner is interviewed or by using one of the above methods, can be determined otherwise.**
- **Prior to 1969 construction – assume the home is hard-coat or masonry stucco.**