SECTION 07 21 00 - BUILDING INSULATION

PART 1 - GENERAL

1.01 RELATED DOCUMENTS

A. Drawings and general provisions of the Contract, including General and Supplementary Conditions and Division 1 Specification Sections, apply to this Section.

1.02 SUMMARY

A. This Section includes the following:

1. Concealed building insulation.
2. Sound insulation.
3. Exterior Continuous Insulation (outboard of the sheathing)

B. Related Sections: The following Sections contain requirements that relate to this Section:

Section 09 21 16 - Gypsum Board Assemblies

1.03 SUBMITTALS

A. General: Submit each item in this Article according to the Conditions of the Contract and Division 1 Specification Sections.

B. Product Data for each type of insulation product specified.

1.04 DELIVERY, STORAGE, AND HANDLING

A. Protect insulation materials from physical damage and from deterioration by moisture, soiling, and other sources. Store inside and in a dry location. Comply with manufacturer's written instructions for handling, storing, and protecting during installation.

1.05 CODES AND STANDARDS

A. Foam Plastic Insulation shall meet AFPC requirements as follows: AFPC V2 717.1.2, 717.2, 717.4.1.3, 717.4.1.4, 717.4.1.5.

B. Insulating materials, concealed as installed shall have a flame spread rating of not more than 75 and a smoke developed rating of not more than 450. [AFPC V2 719.2.1] Insulating materials exposed as installed shall have a flame spread rating of not more than 25 and a smoke developed rating of not more than 450 [AFPC V2 719.3].

PART 2 - PRODUCTS

2.01 INSULATING MATERIALS

A. General: Provide insulating materials that comply with requirements and with referenced standards.

1. Preformed Units: Sizes to fit applications indicated; selected from manufacturer's standard thicknesses, widths, and lengths.

B. Extruded-Polystyrene Board Insulation: Rigid, cellular polystyrene thermal insulation formed from polystyrene base resin by an extrusion process using hydrochlorofluorocarbons as blowing agent to comply with ASTM C 578 for type and with other requirements indicated below:

1. Perimeter Insulation: Install in thickness referenced where shown on Drawings, including but not limited to, the outside face of all perimeter walls below grade.

C. Kraft Faced Mineral-Fiber Blanket Insulation: Thermal insulation combining mineral fibers of type described below with thermosetting resins to comply with ASTM C 665, Type II, Class C with vapor-retarder membrane on 1 face.

1. Mineral-Fiber Type: Fibers manufactured from glass.
2. 3-1/2" thick with thermal resistance of R-13.
3. 6-1/4" thick with thermal resistance of R-19.
4. 8-1/2” thick with thermal resistance of R-25.
5. 10-1/4” thick with thermal resistance of R-30.
6. 13” thick with thermal resistance of R-38.

D. Sound Attenuation Batts: Unfaced glass fiber acoustical insulation complying with ASTM C665, Type I, 3-1/2" thick or 6-1/4” x 16" wide x 96" long. Install sound batts in all interior metal stud walls separating occupied spaces from other occupied spaces including corridors and bathrooms. Batts to run full height of gypsum board applied to studs. All mechanical room walls shall have sound attention batts.

E. Exterior Continuous Insulation: Owens-Corning FOAMULAR 250 - Rigid, cellular, polystyrene, thermal insulation with closed cells and integral high-density skin, formed by the expansion of polystyrene base resin in an extrusion process to comply with ASTM C 578, Type IV; in manufacturer’s standard lengths and widths; and in thicknesses indicated.

F. Spray-Foam Insulation: Johns Manville Corbond, closed and open-cell spray foam insulation reference Drawings for thicknesses indicated.

2.02 AUXILIARY INSULATING MATERIALS

A. Adhesive for Bonding Insulation: Product with demonstrated capability to bond insulation securely to substrates indicated without damaging insulation and substrates.

PART 3 – EXECUTION

3.01 EXAMINATION

A. Examine substrates and conditions, with Installer present, for compliance with requirements of Sections in which substrates and related work are specified and to determine if other conditions affecting performance of insulation are satisfactory. Do not proceed with installation until unsatisfactory conditions have been corrected.

3.02 PREPARATION

A. Clean substrates of substances harmful to insulations or vapor retarders, including removing projections capable of puncturing vapor retarders or that interfere with insulation attachment.

3.03 INSTALLATION, GENERAL

A. Comply with insulation manufacturer's written instructions applicable to products and application indicated.

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

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

3.04 INSTALLATION OF GENERAL BUILDING INSULATION

A. Apply insulation units to substrates by method indicated, complying with manufacturer's written instructions. If no specific method is indicated, bond units to substrate with adhesive or use mechanical anchorage to provide permanent placement and support of units.

B. Seal joints between closed-cell (non-breathing) insulation units by applying adhesive, mastic, or sealant to edges of each unit to form a tight seal as units are shoved into place. Fill voids in completed installation with adhesive, mastic, or sealant as recommended by insulation manufacturer.

C. Set vapor-retarder-faced units with vapor retarder to warm side of construction, unless otherwise indicated. Do not obstruct ventilation spaces, except for firestopping. Tape joints and ruptures in vapor retarder, and seal each continuous area of insulation to surrounding construction to ensure airtight installation.

D. Install mineral-fiber blankets in cavities formed by framing members according to the following requirements:

1. Use blanket widths and lengths that fill cavities formed by framing members. Where more than one length is required to fill cavity, provide lengths that will produce a snug fit between ends.

2. Place blankets in cavities formed by framing members to produce a friction fit between edges of insulation and adjoining framing members.

3.05 PROTECTION

A. General: Protect installed insulation from damage due to harmful weather exposures, physical abuse, and other causes. Provide temporary coverings or enclosures where insulation is subject to abuse and cannot be concealed and protected by permanent construction immediately after installation.

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