FRP Specifications

Section 06 70 00

Fiberglass Reinforced Polymer (FRP)
Baffle Wall Panel Products and Fabrications

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FIBERGLASS REINFORCED POLYMER (FRP) PRODUCTS AND FABRICATIONS

PART 1 – GENERAL

1.01 RELATED DOCUMENTS:
A. Drawings and general provisions of Contract, including General and Supplementary Conditions and Division-1 Specification Sections, apply to work of this section.

1.02 SUMMARY:
A. This section includes FRP Products & Fabrications for FRP Baffle Wall Panels.

1.03 SCOPE OF WORK:
A. Furnish all labor, materials, equipment and incidentals governed by this section necessary to install the fiberglass reinforced polymer (FRP) products as specified herein.

1.04 QUALITY ASSURANCE:
A. The material covered by these specifications shall be furnished by an ISO-9001 certified manufacturer of proven ability who is regularly engaged in the manufacture, fabrication and installation of FRP systems.
B. Substitution of any component or modification of system shall be made only when approved by the Architect or Design Engineer.
C. Fabricator Qualifications: Firm experienced in successfully producing FRP fabrications similar to that indicated for this project, with sufficient production capacity to produce required units without causing delay in the work.
D. In addition to requirements of these specifications, comply with manufacturer’s instructions and recommendations for work.
1.05 DESIGN CRITERIA:

A. The design of FRP products including connections shall be in accordance with governing building codes and standards as applicable.

B. Design load is considered as uniform loading over the entire baffle panel. Design load shall be the greater of water differential or wind load in drained condition, but no combination of the two.
   1. Water Differential: (example: 2”, 6”, 12”)
   2. Wind Load: (example: 85 mph wind velocity, Exposure C with an Importance Factor of 1.15 in accordance with ASCE 7.)
   3. Closed cell panels to be analyzed for sediment-filled condition at 150 pcf.
   4. The baffle system is not intended to withstand a seismic event.

C. Deflection Limits and Flexural Strength Factors of Safety
   1. Baffle panel deflection due to lateral loads less than (example: L/100, L/120) and not to exceed panel thickness.
   2. Baffle panel deflection due to vertical load less than L/360.
   3. Baffle panel Flexural Strength Factor of Safety = 2.0
   4. Structural support deflection less than (example: L/240, L/360).
   5. Structural support Flexural Strength Factor of Safety = 2.5

D. Panels weakened by penetrations, cuts, etc. shall be stiffened or reinforced as necessary to restore their capacity to withstand the specified loading and deflection limits.

E. Turbulent flow, increased water differential due to diffusers, shock loads due to pump or valve operations or other impact loads to be addressed by design professional.

F. Design the baffle panels in accordance with the Strongwell Design Manual for in-service temperatures of _______ degrees Fahrenheit (example: 125 degrees) with ultimate stress retention of______ (example: 85% for 125 degrees) and a modulus of elasticity retention of _____ (example: 90% for 125 degrees).
1.06 **SUBMITTALS:**

A. Shop drawings of all fabricated pultruded baffle wall panels shall be submitted to the Design Engineer for approval in accordance with the requirements of Section ______. Fabrication shall not start until receipt of Design Engineer’s approval marked “Approved As Submitted” or “Approved As Noted”.

B. Manufacturer’s catalog data showing:
   1. Materials of construction
   2. Dimensions, spacings, and construction of grating, handrails and building panels.

C. Detail shop drawings showing:
   1. Dimensions
   2. Sectional assembly
   3. Location and identification mark
   4. Size and type of supporting frames required

D. Samples of each type of product shall be submitted for approval in accordance with the requirements of Section ______.

1.07 **SHIPPING AND STORAGE INSTRUCTIONS:**

A. All systems, sub-systems and structures shall be shop fabricated and assembled into the largest practical size suitable for transporting.

B. All materials and equipment necessary for the fabrication and installation of pultruded baffle wall panels and appurtenances shall be stored before, during, and after shipment in a manner to prevent cracking, twisting, bending, breaking, chipping or damage of any kind to the materials or equipment, including damage due to over exposure to the sun. Any material which, in the opinion of the Design Engineer, has become damaged as to be unfit for use, shall be promptly removed from the site of work, and the Contractor shall receive no compensation for the damaged material or its removal.

C. Identify and match-mark all materials, items and fabrications for installation and field assembly.
PART 2 – PRODUCTS

2.01 GENERAL:

A. Materials used in the manufacture of the FRP products shall be raw materials in
conformance with the specification and certified as meeting the manufacturer’s
approved list of raw materials.

B. All raw materials shall be as specified by the contract.

C. The visual quality of the pultruded shapes shall conform to ASTM D4385.

D. FRP baffle wall panels shall be manufactured using a pultruded process utilizing
_________ (select polyester or vinyl ester) resin with flame retardant and ultraviolet
(UV) inhibitor additives. A synthetic surface veil fabric shall encase the glass
reinforcement. FRP shapes shall achieve a flame spread rating of 25 or less in
accordance with ASTM test method E-84, the flammability characteristics of UL 94
V0 and the self-extinguishing requirements of ASTM D635. (Polyester resin is
available without flame retardant and UV inhibitor additives.)

E. If required, after fabrication, all cut ends, holes and abrasions of FRP shapes shall be
sealed with a compatible resin coating.

F. FRP products exposed to weather shall contain an ultraviolet inhibitor. Should
additional ultraviolet protection be required, a one mil minimum UV coating can be
applied.

G. All exposed surfaces shall be smooth and true to form, consistent with ASTM D4385.

H. Manufacturers:

1. Strongwell

I. Pultruded FRP products shall be manufactured and fabricated in the USA.
Manufacturer shall provide a written Certificate of Compliance.

J. The materials covered by these specifications shall be furnished by an ISO-9001
certified manufacturer.
2.02 FRP BAFFLE WALL PANEL

A. Materials

1. Each baffle panel shall be manufactured by the pultrusion process utilizing polyester resin to ANSI/NSF standard 61 certified for potable water applications (as required). A minimum 7 mil. synthetic surface veil shall be the outermost layer covering the exterior surface.

2. Baffle Wall Panels shall possess the following typical coupon properties:

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3. Baffle Wall Panels shall be manufactured by Strongwell.

B. Design

1. 24" (600 mm) Baffle Wall Panel Design Properties

   \[ I_{xx} = 11.388 \text{ in}^4 \text{ or } 474 \text{ cm}^4 \]
   Modulus of Elasticity = 2.5 x 10^6 psi or 17.2 x 10^6 kPa
   Moment Capacity = 32,620 in-lb or 3,682 N-m
   Stiffness \( EI = 28.47 \times 10^6 \text{ lb-in}^2 \)

2. 24" (600 mm) Baffle Wall Panel Deflection (Static Differential Head of Water)
CALCULATED BAFFLE DEFLECTION
(Static Differential Head of Water)

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<th>SPAN Ft (M)</th>
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* Denotes the Baffle is controlled by the moment capacity identified in the 24” Baffle Design Properties table shown in Section B.1.

C. Hardware

1. All fasteners, anchors, and structural hardware shall be 316 stainless steel.

2. All connections of Baffle Wall Panels to fiberglass columns or super structure shall be as shown on the approved shop drawings.

D. Approved Manufacturers

1. STRONGWELL
PART 3 – EXECUTION

3.01 PREPARATION:
A. Coordinate and furnish anchorages, setting drawings, diagrams, templates, instructions and directions for installation of anchorages, including concrete inserts, sleeves, anchor bolts and miscellaneous items having integral anchors that are to be embedded in concrete or masonry construction.

B. Coordinate delivery of all listed items to project site.

3.02 INSPECTION AND TESTING:
A. The Design Engineer shall have the right to inspect and test all materials to be furnished under these specifications prior to their shipment from the point of manufacture.

B. All labor, power, materials, equipment and appurtenances required for testing shall be furnished by the Contractor at no cost to the Owner.

3.03 INSTALLATION, GENERAL:
A. Fastening to in-place construction: Provide anchorage devices and fasteners where necessary for securing miscellaneous FRP fabrications to in-place construction; include threaded fasteners for concrete and masonry inserts, toggle bolts, through-bolts, lag bolts and other connectors as determined by the Design Engineer.

B. Cutting, fitting and placement: Perform cutting, drilling and fitting required for installation of miscellaneous FRP fabrications. Set FRP fabrication accurately in location, alignment and elevation; with edges and surfaces level, plumb, true and free of rack; measured from established lines and levels.

C. Provide temporary bracing or anchors in form work for items that are to be built into concrete masonry or similar construction.

3.04 ALL FRP INSTALLATION:
A. If required, all field cut and drilled edges, holes and abrasions shall be sealed with a catalyzed resin compatible with the original resin as recommended by the manufacturer.

B. Install items specified as indicated and in accordance with manufacturer’s instructions.

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