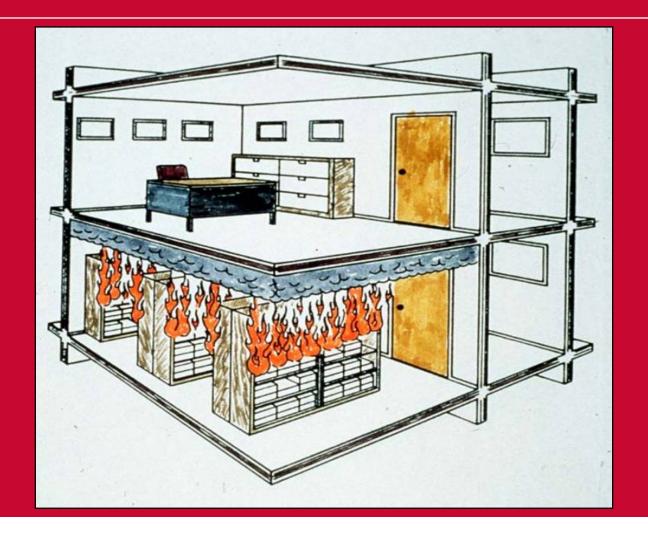
Testing of Fire Resistance and Smoke Resistant Assemblies



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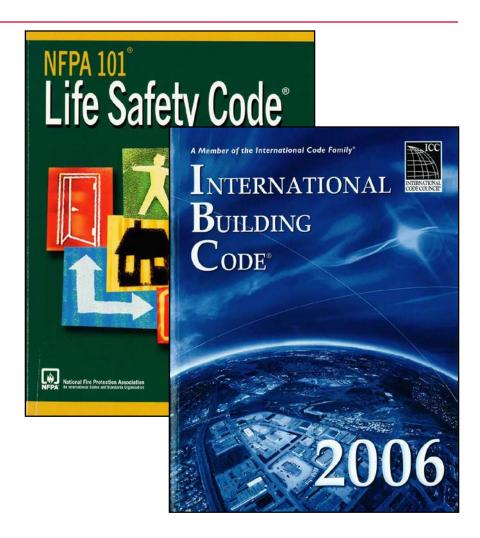
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Code
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Code Requirements

- IBC Section 703.2 Fire-resistance ratings shall be determined in accordance with ANSI/UL 263 or ASTM E119
- LSC 8.2.3.1 The fire resistance of structural elements and building assemblies shall be determined in accordance with test procedures set forth in NFPA 251 (i.e. ANSI/UL 263 or ASTM E119)



Fire Resistance

- Expressed as an Hourly Time Period
- Ratings range from 1/2 to 4 hours

Containment of Fire to Room or Floor of

Origin





Fire-Resistance-Rated Construction

Establishing Fire-Resistance Ratings





Standards

- ANSI/UL 263
- ASTM E119
- NFPA 251 (Withdrawn)



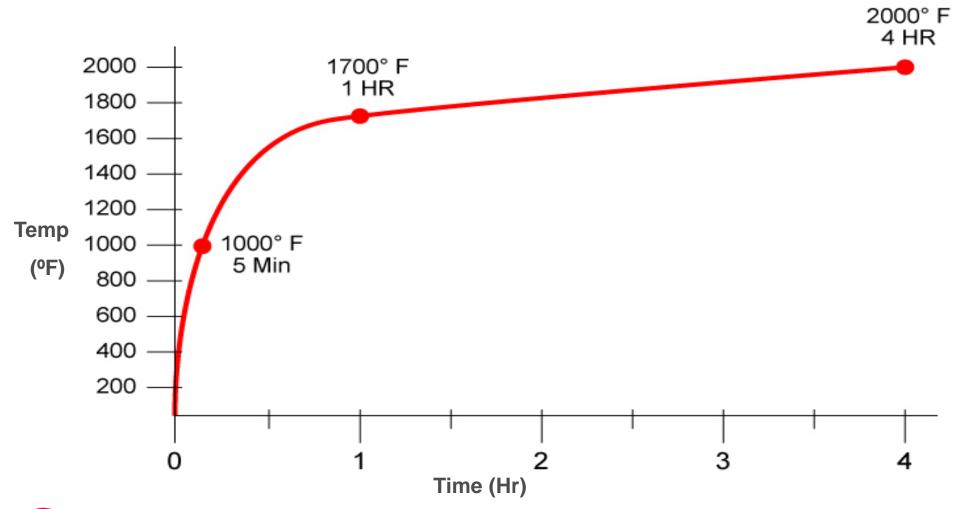


Building Components

- Columns
- Beams
- Floor/Ceilings or Roof/Ceilings
- Walls



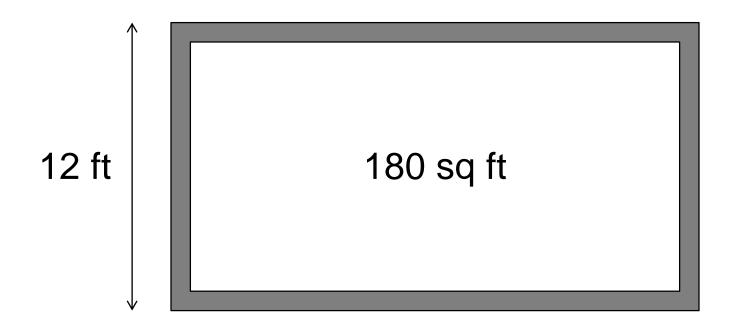
Time - Temperature Curve





Floor/Ceiling or Roof/Ceilings

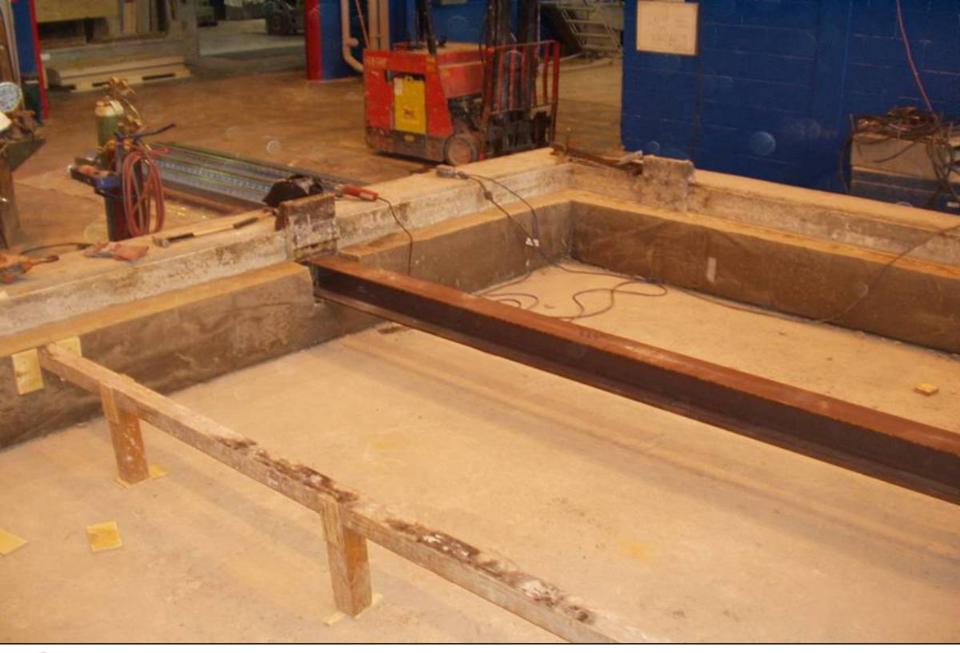
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- Load applied Per design











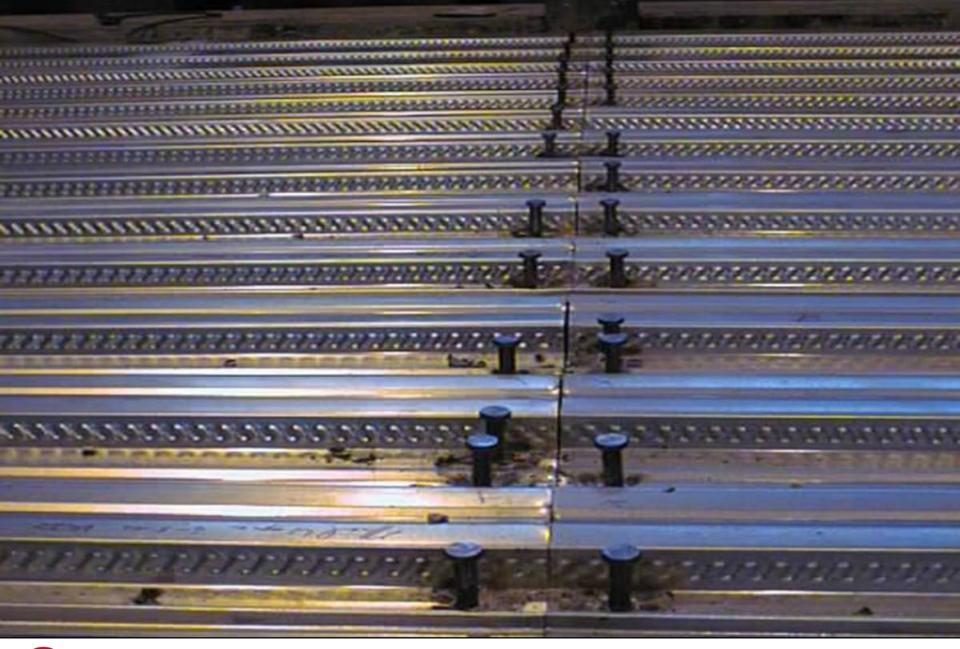






































Conditions of Acceptance Floor/Ceilings or Roof/Ceilings

- Support load
- Flame passage
- 250°F / 325°F
- Support temperatures

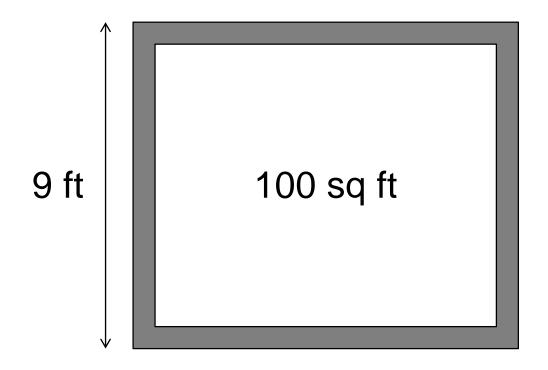




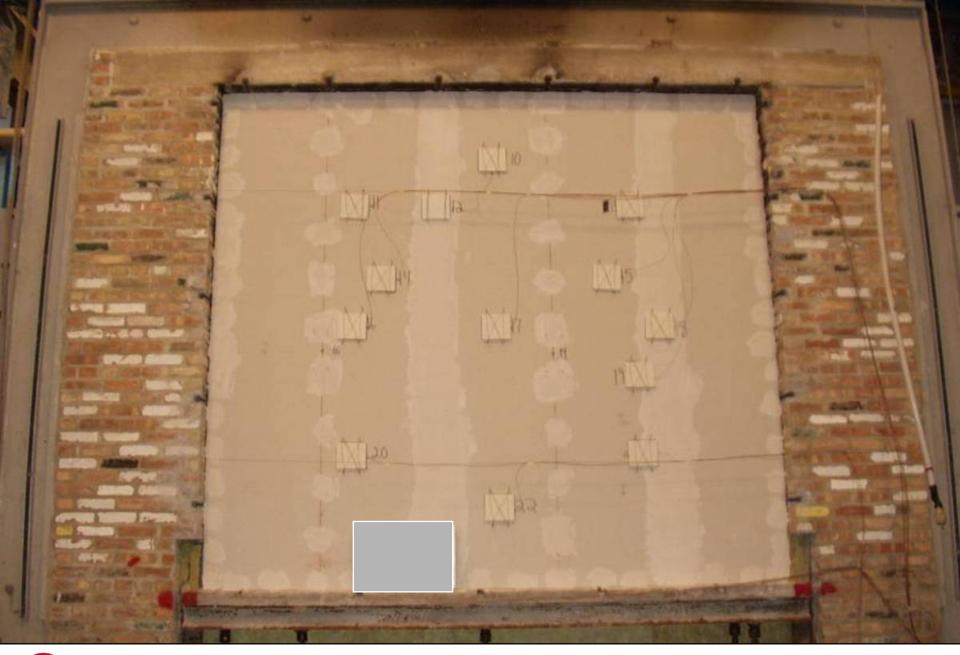


Walls

- Sample size 100 sq ft / 9 ft
- Load applied Per design











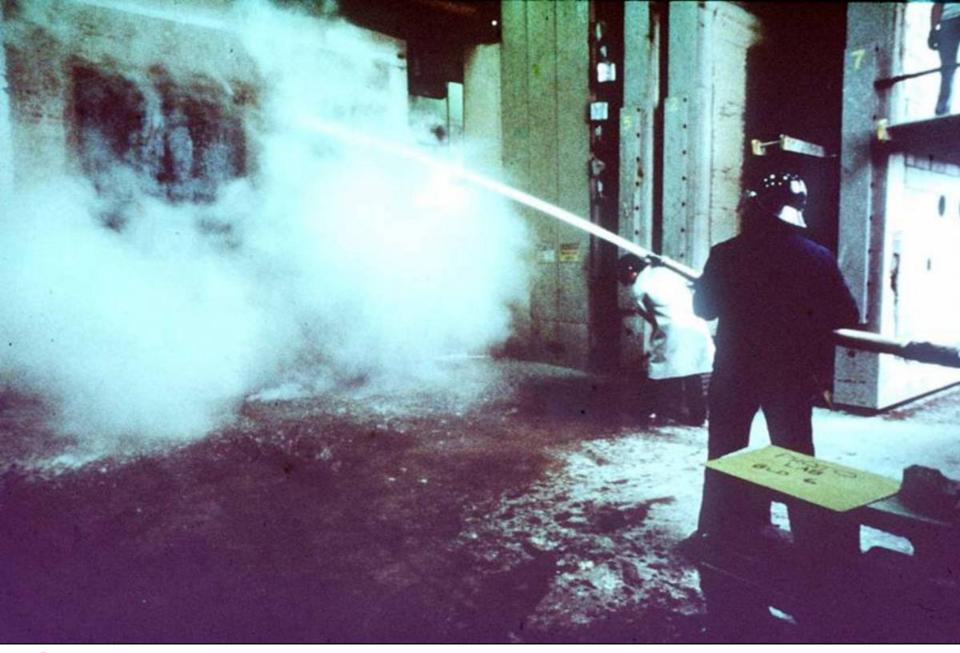


















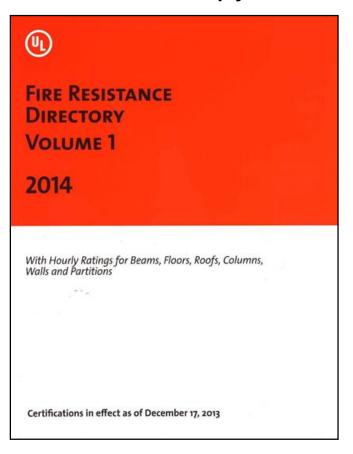
Conditions of Acceptance – Walls

- Flame passage
- 250°F / 325°F
- Support load
- Hose stream



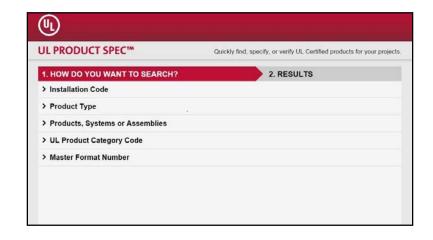
Where are the Listings Found?

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Questions / Comments





Breaches in Fire-Resistance-Rated Construction

- Penetrations
- Joint Systems
- Opening Protectives
- Ducts and Air Transfer Openings



Breaches in Fire-Resistance-Rated Construction Cont.

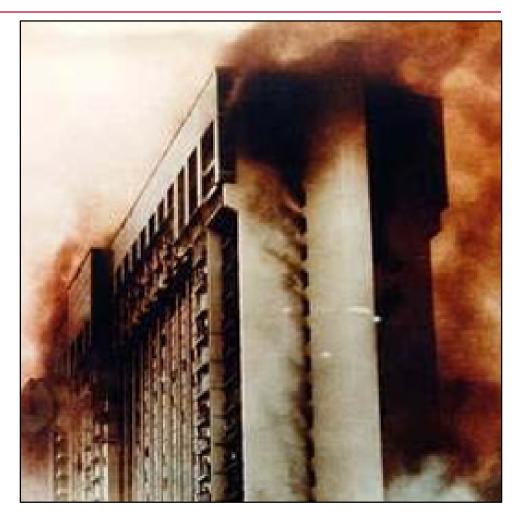
Do breaches really impact the performance of a fire-resistance-rated assembly?

Absolutely!!!



MGM Grand Las Vegas, NV – 1980

- Fire confined to 1st floor
- 679 injured, 85 fatalities
- Most fatalities on upper floors due to smoke inhalation





Hilton Hotel Las Vegas, NV – 1981

- Fire spread from 8th to 23rd floor in 25 minutes at exterior of building
- 8 fatalities





First Interstate Bank Los Angeles, CA – 1988

- Fire spread from 12th to 16th floor through improperly protected penetrations and through unprotected perimeter joint
- Lunch bags were used to protect penetrations
- One fatality





One Meridian Plaza Philadelphia, PA – 1991

- Fire spread from 22nd to 30th floor through improperly protected penetrations and through perimeter joint
- Three fire fighter fatalities, 24 FF injuries





Code Requirements

- IBC Breaches shall be protected
 - Section 712 Penetrations
 - Section 713 Fire-Resistant Joint Systems
 - Section 715 Opening Protectives
 - Section 716 Ducts and Air Transfer Openings
- Each type of breach has a unique fire test standard associated with it which compliments ANSI/UL 263 and ASTM E119



Code Requirements Cont.

- LSC Breaches shall be protected
 - Penetrations
 - Joint Systems
 - Opening Protectives
 - Ducts and Air Transfer Openings
- Each type of breach has a unique fire test standard associated with it which compliments NFPA 251



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Fire Resistive Construction

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Product Spec

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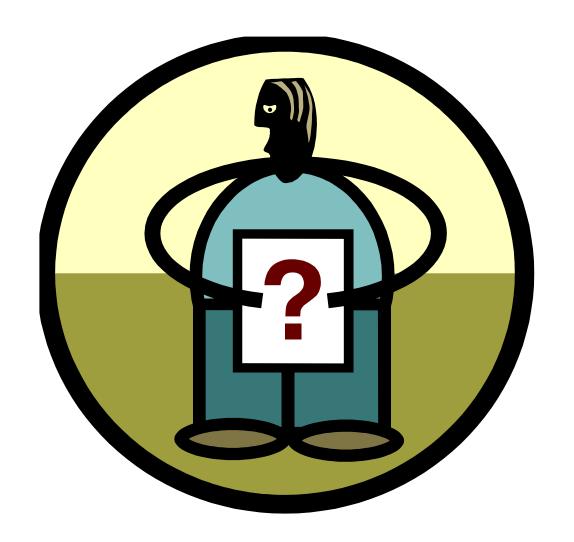


Code Link

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