

# Fire-Rated Glazing & Framing



# Outline

#### **Presentation Overview**

- Advancements in the materials and systems used for glazing in areas that require fire ratings
- Updates to the 2012 version of the IBCs
- Testing Methodologies
- Fire Protective vs. Fire Resistive
- Labeling New Labeling System for Fire-Rated Glass
- Non-Code Compliant Products

# **Company History**

#### **History of Technical Glass Products**

- Company founded in 1980
- Worked with traditional wired glass among other materials
- Introduced "thin and wireless" products in 1988, based on our expertise with high temperature ceramics
- Have worked extensively with governing code bodies to develop acceptance of better performing products



# **Fire-Rated Glazing**

#### **Fire-Rated Glazing Definition**

Specialized glass designed to prevent the spread of flames, gasses and smoke.

- Glass earns fire ratings through rigorous testing processes at independent laboratories such as Underwriters Laboratories, Inc.® (UL)
- Fire-rated glazing for door and window assemblies are rated from 20 minutes to 3 hours
- The rating reflects the amount of time the material has been tested to remain in place to help stop the spread of fire and smoke
- In addition to remaining in place, in most cases the glass must also pass a hose stream test, and may also be required to provide an impact rating for safety

# **Fire-Rated Glazing**

#### **Two Key Purposes of Fire-Rated Glass**

- Allows visibility into a space
- Prevents fire from spreading
- Compartmentation



## **Fire-Rated Glazing**

#### Key Testing Components for Fire and Human Impact Safety

**Fire Test** - Measures the amount of time, in minutes or hours, that fire rated glazing and framing can withstand fire exposure in a furnace.

**Hose Stream Test** - Heated glass and frames are subjected to water from a fire hose. The cooling, impact and erosion created by the hose stream tests the integrity of the glass and frames and eliminates inadequate materials.

**Impact Safety Test -** Measures the ability of glass to withstand impact. Ratings are given in levels based on the amount of force the glass can resist. Typically defined by CPSC Category 1 or 2 rating.

# **Fire Test**



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# Hose Stream Test



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# Safety Glazing

#### **Safety Glazing Classifications**

CPSC 16 CFR 1201 (Category II)

- 400 ft. lbs. pressure
- Tempered Glass, typical laminated glass, filmed glass

CPSC 16 CFR 1201 (Category I)

- 150 ft. lbs. pressure
- Permitted up to 1,296 in<sup>2</sup>

ANSI Z97.1 (Traditional Wired Glass Only)

- 100 ft. lbs. Pressure
- Permitted up to 1,296 in<sup>2</sup>

# Impact Safety Test



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# **Types of Fire-Rated Glazing**

# FIRE PROTECTIVE

- Stop flames & smoke
- "Openings"
- "Thin" glazing
- Traditional fire-rated material (wired glass, glass ceramic, hollow metal steel frames, etc.)
- Fire Windows: 45-90 Minutes
- Fire Doors: 20 minutes 3 hrs
- May not exceed 25% of the area of a common wall
- May not exceed 156ft<sup>2</sup>
- May not exceed manufacturers tested sizes



FIRE PROTECTIVE GLASS

# **Types of Fire-Rated Glazing**

## FIRE <u>RESISTIVE</u>

- Stop flames, smoke, AND radiant heat (Both glass and frames)
- "Thick" glazing
- Classified as a "wall" rather than an opening (window)
- Both glass and frames must block passage of radiant heat
- Classified as Wall Construction, and may be used in multi story spans or floor to ceiling sizes



FIRE RESISTIVE GLASS

### Why is Fire-Rated Glazing Labeled?

- Enables code officials to accurately inspect glazing
- Owner, architect, facility manager and installer can confirm they received correct product, and reject any materials that do not meet code
- Fire Officials can plan safe evacuation methods
- Firefighters will understand the type of glass present in a building



#### **Label Standards**

# Labeling Requirements

"W" indicates that the glass passes ASTM E119

This is the wall standard which includes temperature rise and hose stream

- "D" indicates that the glass passed NFPA 252
  - Door standard
- "O" indicates that the glass passed NFPA 257
  - Opening standard

FIRE TEST STANDARD	MARKING	DEFINITION OF MARKING
ASTM E 119 or UL 263	W	Meets wall assembly criteria.
NFPA 257 or UL 9	ОН	Meets fire window assembly criteria including the hose stream test.
	D	Meets fire door assembly criteria.
NFPA 252 or UL 10B or UL 10C	Н	Meets fire door assembly "Hose Stream" test.
	Т	Meets 450°F temperature rise criteria for 30 minutes
	XXX	The time in minutes of the fire resistance or fire protection rating of the glazing assembly

**TABLE 716.3** 

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**Fire-Rated Glass Manufacturer Label** 



2" wide x .75" tall



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#### **Fire-Rated Frame Manufacturer Label**



Fireframes<sup>®</sup> Heat Barrier Series by TGP SPECIAL PURPOSE FIRE DOOR FRAME ASSEMBLY FIRE RATING <u>60 MIN.</u> SERIAL NO\_\_\_\_\_\_ TEMPERATURE RISE, 30 MIN. 250° MAX POSITIVE PRESSURE ALSO CLASSIFIED IN ACCORDANCE WITH UL-10C

Installers should not remove or paint over frame labels



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# Installation

#### Installation of Fire-rated assemblies

- Framing similar to typical storefront systems
- Any qualified glazing sub contractor can install
- Must follow manufacturer's installation guidelines



# Non-Code Compliance

#### **Non-Code Compliance Situations**

- Non-tested assemblies
  - All components must have a complete laboratory listing
  - Fire-rated skylights (systems tested vertically but installed sloped)
- Modified assemblies-must be installed EXACTLY as tested
  - Film on fire-rated glazing must be tested and approved
  - Wood trim or other combustibles on a fire-rated frame
- Improperly tested products
  - Non-accredited testing lab
  - Partial testing of a product...i.e. non hose stream over 20 minutes
  - Products that only provide impact or fire rating in one directions

# Selecting Fire-Rated Glazing

#### **Questions:**

- What is the required fire-rating for the application?
- Does the glazing system need to block the transfer of radiant heat?
- Does the glazing meet impact safety standards?
- Should I select performance films or laminates?
- Are there any acoustic or thermal performance needs?
- Is the glazing being installed into the proper framing assembly (matched fire-ratings)?
- Once the glazing has been selected, did you confirm the material has been tested by a testing agency such as UL and can be validated through that testing agency?

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Project: University Hospitals, Seidman Cancer Center

Location: Cleveland, OH

Architect: Cannon Design

Products: Fireframes® Designer Series steel doors and frames with FireLite Plus® glass ceramic

# **Case Studies**





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Project: MultiCare Good Samaritan Hospital, Dally Tower

Location: Puyallup, WA

Architect: Good Sam Design Collaborative, in conjunction with Clark/Kjos Architects and GBJ Architecture

Products: Fireframes® Curtainwall Series with Pilkington Pyrostop® glass firewall

When facing a decision that affects life safety, make sure the systems used meet <u>all</u> code requirements. Not all products are created equal.



# Thank you!