DISCLAIMER: The manufacturer has reviewed the product information contained in this short form specification. The information is organized and presented to assist the specification writer working on a construction project to select the appropriate products and to save time in writing the project specification Section. The specification writer is responsible for product selection as well as the use and application of this information, and should contact the manufacturer to ensure that all options are available and that the associated specification information is valid and correct.

SPEC NOTE: Insert the required paragraphs into the Section under the noted Articles, and make any required selections. Where selection is indicated with an [OR] statement, select the appropriate paragraph and delete the inappropriate statement. Delete all SPEC NOTEs and [OR] statements prior to final printing.

NOTE: This is NOT the specification for the THERMAX Wall System. See “THERMAX Wall System” guide specifications for complete thermal, air, water, and vapor barrier system.

*01 4100: CONTINUOUS ENVELOPE AIR BARRIER*

*PART 1 GENERAL*

*1.01 SECTION INCLUDES*

*A. Administrative and procedural requirements to create an airtight building enclosure that controls infiltration / exfiltration of air.*

1. *The Prime Contractor shall ensure that the continuous air barrier around the building enclosure is achieved with the following characteristics:*
   1. *It must be continuous, with all joints, penetrations, and air paths sealed.*
   2. *It must be structurally supported.*
   3. *It must be connected and continuous between foundation & walls, walls & windows/doors, different wall systems, wall & roof.*

*1.02 RESPONSIBILITIES*

*A. Prime Contractor Responsibilities: Unless otherwise indicated, the Prime Contractor shall provide coordination of the trades, and the sequence of construction to ensure continuity of the air barrier system joints, junctures and transitions between materials and assemblies of materials and products, from substructure to walls to roof.*

*PART 2 – PRODUCTS – [not used]*

*PART 3 – EXECUTION – [not used]*

*END OF SECTION*

SECTION 07 2100

THERMAL INSULATION

PART 1 GENERAL

1.01 SECTION INCLUDES

A. THERMAX™ Brand Polyisocyanurate Board Insulation.

1.02 REFERENCE STANDARDS

A. [ASTM C1289](http://global.ihs.com/doc_detail.cfm?rid=BSD&document_name=ASTM%20C1289) - Standard Specification for Faced Rigid Cellular Polyisocyanurate Thermal Insulation Board; 2016.

B. [ASTM E84](https://global.ihs.com/doc_detail.cfm?rid=BSD&document_name=ASTM%20E84) - Standard Test Method for Surface Burning Characteristics of Building Materials; 2016.

C. [ASTM E2357](http://global.ihs.com/doc_detail.cfm?rid=BSD&document_name=ASTM%20E2357) - Standard Test Method for Determining Air Leakage of Air Barrier Assemblies; 2011.

1.03 SUBMITTALS

A. See Section 01 3000 - Administrative Requirements, for submittal procedures.

B. Product Data: Provide data on product characteristics, performance criteria, and product limitations.

C. Warranty: Provide Manufacturer's Limited Thermal Warranty for polyisocyanurate insulation.

D. NFPA 285 Compliance: Submit third party documentation showing wall assembly compliance with NFPA 285.

1.04 QUALITY ASSURANCE

A. Source Limitations: Obtain exterior building insulation through one source from a single manufacturer.

1.05 FIELD CONDITIONS

A. Application Temperatures: Comply with Manufacturer's recommendations for product applications.

PART 2 PRODUCTS

2.01 APPLICATIONS

A. Inverted Insulation at Exterior Walls: Polyisocyanurate.

2.02 FOAM BOARD INSULATION MATERIALS

A. Polyisocyanurate Board Insulation with Facers Both Sides: Rigid cellular foam, complying with [ASTM C1289](http://global.ihs.com/doc_detail.cfm?rid=BSD&document_name=ASTM%20C1289); Type I, aluminum foil both faces; Class 2, glass fiber-reinforced core.

1. Basis of Design:

a. Dow Chemical Company; **THERMAX XARMOR**™ **ci**: www.dowbuildingsolutions.com.

2. Flame Spread Index (FSI): Class A - 0 to 25, when tested in accordance with [ASTM E84](https://global.ihs.com/doc_detail.cfm?rid=BSD&document_name=ASTM%20E84).

3. Smoke Developed Index (SDI): 450 or less, when tested in accordance with [ASTM E84](https://global.ihs.com/doc_detail.cfm?rid=BSD&document_name=ASTM%20E84).

4. Front Facer: 4.0 mil gray acrylic coated embossed aluminum.

5. Back Facer: 1.25 mil embossed aluminum.

6. Board Size: 48 by 96 inch (1220 by 2440 mm).

7. Board Thickness: \_\_\_\_ inch (\_\_\_\_ mm).

8. Board Edges: Shiplap on 1.5” and thicker boards.

9. Sustainability: Third party listed Environmental Product Declaration certificate.

**[OR]**

B. Polyisocyanurate Board Insulation with Facers Both Sides: Rigid cellular foam, complying with [ASTM C1289](http://global.ihs.com/doc_detail.cfm?rid=BSD&document_name=ASTM%20C1289); Type I, aluminum foil both faces; Class 2, glass fiber-reinforced core.

1. Basis of Design:

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2. Flame Spread Index (FSI): Class A - 0 to 25, when tested in accordance with [ASTM E84](https://global.ihs.com/doc_detail.cfm?rid=BSD&document_name=ASTM%20E84).

3. Smoke Developed Index (SDI): 450 or less, when tested in accordance with [ASTM E84](https://global.ihs.com/doc_detail.cfm?rid=BSD&document_name=ASTM%20E84).

4. Front Facer: 1.25 mil blue acrylic coated embossed aluminum.

5. Back Facer: 1.0 mil smooth aluminum.

6. Board Size: 48 by 96 inch (1220 by 2440 mm).

7. Board Thickness: \_\_\_\_ inch (\_\_\_\_ mm).

8. Board Edges: Shiplap on 1.5” and thicker boards.

9. Sustainability: Third party listed Environmental Product Declaration certificate.

**[OR]**

B. Polyisocyanurate Board Insulation with Facers Both Sides: Rigid cellular foam, complying with [ASTM C1289](http://global.ihs.com/doc_detail.cfm?rid=BSD&document_name=ASTM%20C1289); Type I, aluminum foil both faces; Class 2, glass fiber-reinforced core.

1. Basis of Design:

a. Dow Chemical Company; **THERMAX**™ **Sheathing**: www.dowbuildingsolutions.com.

2. Flame Spread Index (FSI): Class A - 0 to 25, when tested in accordance with [ASTM E84](https://global.ihs.com/doc_detail.cfm?rid=BSD&document_name=ASTM%20E84).

3. Smoke Developed Index (SDI): 450 or less, when tested in accordance with [ASTM E84](https://global.ihs.com/doc_detail.cfm?rid=BSD&document_name=ASTM%20E84).

4. Front Facer: 1.0 mil smooth aluminum.

5. Back Facer: 1.0 mil smooth aluminum.

6. Board Size: 48 by 96 inch (1220 by 2440 mm).

7. Board Thickness: \_\_\_\_ inch (\_\_\_\_ mm).

8. Board Edges: Square.

9. Sustainability: Third party listed Environmental Product Declaration certificate.

2.03 ACCESSORIES

A. Fasteners: Provide insulated sheathing Manufacturer's recommended polymer or other corrosion protective coated steel screw fasteners for anchoring sheathing to metal wall framing. Fastener length and size based on wall sheathing thickness.

1. Acceptable Products:

a. Rodenhouse, Inc. 2 inch diameter "THERMAL-GRIP ci Prong Washers" plastic washers which can be installed using either bulk Grip-Deck self-drilling screws or collated Grip-Deck screws [Use the Grip-Lok auto-feed fastening system for high speed application (recommended for wall assemblies up to 2 inches in thickness).] Contact Rodenhouse, Inc. for more information at 616-454-3100.

B. Penetration and Gap Filler

1. Acceptable Products:

a. The Dow Chemical Company; GREAT STUFF PRO™ Gaps & Cracks for gaps ¼” to 3”.

b. The Dow Chemical Company; GREAT STUFF PRO™ Window & Door for gaps ¼” to 3”.

c. The Dow Chemical Company; FROTH-PAK Foam Insulation two component, quick-cure polyurethane foam for gaps 2” to 4”.

B. Exterior Insulation Joint Treatment (Optional)

1. Acceptable Products:

a. The Dow Chemical Company; LIQUIDARMOR™ CM spray flashing and sealant (for gaps < ¼”).

b. The Dow Chemical Company; LIQUIDARMOR™ LT flexible single component silicone flashing (for gaps < ¼”).

2. For joints >1/4”, use Gap Filler prior to sealing joint.

D. Roof/Wall Juncture Sealing

1. Maintain continuity of air barrier by sealing the roof/wall juncture.

2. Acceptable Products:

a. The Dow Chemical Company; FROTH-PAK™ Foam Insulation (Class A).

PART 3 EXECUTION

3.01 EXAMINATION

A. Verify that substrate, adjacent materials, and insulation materials are dry and that substrates are ready to receive insulation.

3.02 BOARD INSTALLATION IN INVERTED EXTERIOR WALLS

A. Install insulation board directly to studs per Manufacturer’s installation instructions.

B. Fasten at 16 inches (406 mm) on center in the field, vertically and horizontally, and 12 inches on center at perimeter of wall, with manufacturer recommended mechanical fasteners.

C. Install boards horizontally on walls, stagger the joints.

D. Cut and fit insulation tightly to protrusions or interruptions to the insulation plane.

1. Seal around penetrations using Penetration and Gap Filler material.

2. Maintain continuity of air barrier by sealing the roof/wall juncture with Roof/Wall Juncture Sealing material.

E. If using insulation as air/water barrier: Seal board joints with Manufacturer's recommended sealant product, consistent with [ASTM E2357](http://global.ihs.com/doc_detail.cfm?rid=BSD&document_name=ASTM%20E2357) tested assembly.

F. Install exterior gypsum board over the insulation per gypsum Manufacturer’s recommendations per specification section [\_\_\_\_\_].

G. Install water/air barrier on exterior gypsum per water/air barrier Manufacturer’s recommendations per specification section [\_\_\_\_\_].

3.03 FIELD QUALITY CONTROL

A. See Section 01 4000 - Quality Requirements, for additional requirements.

3.04 PROTECTION

A. Do not permit installed insulation to be damaged prior to its concealment.

END OF SECTION

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