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SUBJECT: EXTREME SIPS USED IN FLOOR APPLICATIONS

Extreme SIPs are often used in floor applications when an insulated floor system is required. Examples of this situation include over a non-conditioned crawl space, the floor of a sunroom addition, or a bedroom floor over an unheated garage.

When using Extreme SIPs in floor applications, there are a few design considerations to keep in mind. Extreme recommends that the floor panel be overlaid with an additional layer of 7/16" sheathing to minimize any potential for puncturing the SIP's structural skins and to provide a divorcement layer to protect the structural integrity of the SIP should flooring need to be replaced. The application of these divorcement materials will prevent any damage to the top OSB structural facing of the SIP if the floor finishing needs replacing. The OSB facings of a SIP are part of the SIP's structural component assembly; therefore, the OSB facings must remain intact to provide long-term structural capacity.

Floor SIPs, without added spline structure (e.g., Type I and Type L Splines), are not able to support load-bearing walls and cannot be cantilevered over a lower wall to support an upper wall and roof systems. Please consult the Extreme Panel Load Charts for Type I Splines and Type L Splines. The load limitations of SIPs used in floor systems are covered by Extreme Panel Load Charts #6a, #6b, #6c, and other technical bulletins.

Building codes have specific requirements for materials used to create floor assemblies. In residential applications, the floor system must be able to carry a uniform load of 40 psf. Commercial floor assemblies, such as those found in churches, schools, banks, hotels, etc., have more stringent requirements. These include the capacity to support uniform loads greater than 40 psf and the ability to support concentrated loads. The concentrated load requirement for most commercial structures is 1000 or 2000 pounds over a 30" x 30" (6.25 sq. ft.) area.

Two typical Extreme SIPs floor assemblies have been subjected to concentrated floor load testing. The results from this testing demonstrate that Extreme SIPs floor assemblies meet the code requirement for commercial floors of 2000-pound concentrated loads, while providing a safety factor of three.

Load Charts #6A, #6B & #6C (Pages 2-4) demonstrate the load capacities for floor design applications. View on the following pages or at www.extremepanel.com.

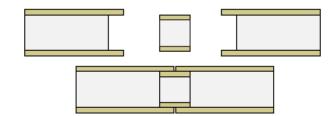


LOAD CHART #6A Roof/Floor Uniform Transverse Loads - PSF 1-4 Type S Spline											
SIP	Deflection	SIP Span (ft.)									
Thickness	Limit	4' 4	8'	10'	12'	14'	16'	18'	20'	22'	24'
4-1/2"	L/360	100	32	23	NA						
	L/240	143	48	35	NA						
	L/180	143	63	47	NA						
6-1/2"	L/360	105	51	38	29	23	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
	L/240	162	76	57	44	35	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
	L/180	191	80	61	50	42	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
8-1/4"	L/360	120	67	51	40	32	26	22	NA	NA	NA
	L/240	179	94	71	57	48	40	33	NA	NA	NA
	L/180	179	94	71	57	48	41	36	NA	NA	NA
10-1/4"	L/360	131	86	66	52	43	35	29	25	21	NA
	L/240	168	94	75	63	54	47	41	36	32	NA
	L/180	168	94	75	63	54	47	41	36	33	NA
12-1/4"	L/360	132	94	75	63	53	44	37	32	27	23
	L/240	163	94	75	63	54	47	42	37	34	31
	L/180	163	94	75	63	54	47	42	37	34	31

¹ Table values assume a simply supported SIP with 1-1/2 inches (38.1 mm) of continuous bearing. Permanent loads, such as dead load, shall not exceed 0.50 times the tabulated load. Values do not include the dead weight of the SIP.

TRANSVERSE LOAD

TYPE S SPLINE



² Deflection limit shall be selected by building designer based on the serviceability requirements of the structure and the requirements of applicable building code. Values are based on loads of short duration only and do not consider the effects of creep.

³ Table values for 8-foot (2.44 m) spans apply to SIPs constructed with the OSB strength axis oriented either parallel or perpendicular to span direction. Table values for other spans are based on the OSB strength axis parallel to the span direction.

⁴ SIPs shall be a minimum of 8-foot (2.44 m) long spanning two 4-foot (1.22 m) spans.



LOAD CHART #6B Roof/Floor Uniform Transverse Loads - PSF 1-4 Type I Spline SIP Span (feet) SIP Deflection Thickness Limit L/360 L/240 10-1/4" L/180 L/360 L/240 12-1/4" L/180

TRANSVERSE LOAD TYPE I SPLINE

¹ Table values assume a simply supported SIP with 1-1/2 inches (38.1 mm) of continuous bearing. Permanent loads, such as dead load, shall not exceed 0.50 times the tabulated load. Splines consist of Premier I-beam, 2-1/4 inch (57.2 mm) wide flange (minimum) with a depth equal to the core thickness, spaced not to exceed 48 inches (1219.2 mm) on center.

² Deflection limit shall be selected by building designer based on the serviceability requirements of the structure and the requirements of applicable building code.

³ Table values for 8-foot (2.44 m) spans apply to SIPs constructed with the OSB strength axis oriented either parallel or perpendicular to span direction. Table values for other spans are based on the OSB strength axis parallel to the span direction.

⁴ SIP shall be a minimum of 8 foot (2.44 m) long spanning a minimum of two 4-foot (1.22 m) spans.

Deflection

Limit

L/360

L/240

L/180

SIP

Thickness

4-1/2"

6-1/2"

8-1/4"

10-1/4"

12-1/4"



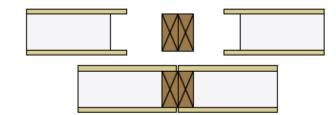
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LOAD CHART #6C Roof/Floor Uniform Transverse Loads - PSF 1-4 Type L Spline SIP Span (feet) NΑ NA NA NA NΑ NΑ NΑ NΑ NΑ NΑ NΑ NA NΑ NΑ NA NA NΑ NΑ NA NΑ NΑ

TRANSVERSE LOAD

TYPE L SPLINE



¹ Table values assume a simply supported SIP with 1-1/2 inches (38.1 mm) of continuous bearing. Permanent loads, such as dead load, shall not exceed 0.50 times the tabulated load. Splines consist of No. 2 or better Hem-Fir, 1-1/2 inches (38.1 mm) wide with a depth equal to the core thickness, spaced to provide not less than two members for every 48 inches (1219.2 mm) of SIP width.

² Deflection limit shall be selected by building designer based on the serviceability requirements of the structure and the requirements of applicable building code.

³ Table values for 8-foot (2.44 m) spans apply to SIPs constructed with the OSB strength axis oriented either parallel or perpendicular to span direction. Table values for other spans are based on the OSB strength axis parallel to the span direction.

SIP shall be a minimum of 8 foot (2.44 m) long spanning two 4-foot (1.22 m) spans. No single span condition is allowed.