Doorways are a critical component to any building. They facilitate safe passage in and out—especially in emergency situations—and contribute to the overall health and well-being of the building’s occupants. Building codes are constantly evolving, and the volume of updates and revisions may at times seem daunting. This code resource guide provides you the latest information on current building codes and how they impact the application of total opening solutions.

Our team of expert door and hardware professionals are well versed in code requirements and are available to answer any related questions. And rest assured, when you use one of ASSA ABLOY Group brand products, it was designed to meet the most stringent code and safety requirements in effect today.

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A History of Building Codes

Building and fire codes have been developed and applied for hundreds of years to enhance the safety of occupants within the built environment.

Over time, codes and standards have evolved to ensure accessibility for people with disabilities, provide sustainable construction products and practices, strengthen buildings against severe windstorm events, blast forces, and many other essential needs.

While these requirements encompass a broad and very diverse spectrum, ASSA ABLOY remains the global leader in door opening solutions, providing building owners and occupants with the assurance of code compliant openings.

Since building code adoption and enforcement varies across the country, we encourage you to consult your local Authority Having Jurisdiction for requirements related to any specific project or building.
Accessibility

The origin of accessibility guidelines, standards and laws date to the early 1990s, when provisions were created to facilitate equal access to places of public accommodation, commercial facilities, and state and local government facilities. Today there are multiple standards and laws that regulate architectural design, form and function to ensure accessibility for all, regardless of physical, visual or hearing impairment.

Resources
ADA Standards for Accessible Design – 2010

Quick Reference — Requirements
ADA 404.2.3 Clear Width
Door openings shall provide a clear width of 32 inches (815 mm) minimum. Clear openings of doorways with swinging doors shall be measured between the face of the door and the stop, with the door open 90 degrees. Openings more than 24 inches (610 mm) deep shall provide a clear opening of 36 inches (915 mm) minimum. There shall be no projections into the required clear opening width lower than 34 inches (865 mm) above the finish floor or ground. Projections into the clear opening width between 34 inches (865 mm) and 80 inches (2030 mm) above the finish floor or ground shall not exceed 4 inches (100 mm).

ADA 404.2.5 Thresholds
Thresholds, if provided at doorways, shall be ½ inch (13 mm) high maximum.

ICC A117.1 - 404.2.6 Door Hardware
Handles, pulls, latches, locks, and other operable parts on accessible doors shall have a shape that is easy to grasp with one hand and does not require tight grasping, pinching, or twisting of the wrist to operate. Operable parts of such hardware shall be 34 inches (865 mm) minimum and 48 inches (1220 mm) maximum above the floor. Where sliding doors are in the fully open position, operating hardware shall be exposed and usable from both sides.

ADA 404.2.8.1 Door Closers and Gate Closers
Door closers and gate closers shall be adjusted so that from an open position of 90 degrees, the time required to move the door to a position of 12 degrees from the latch is 5 seconds minimum.

Understanding Opening Force
In order to ensure ease of access for those with physical disabilities, the law regulates the amount of force required to push or pull a door to the full open position. A maximum force of five pounds is permitted for door or gate operation after the latching hardware is retracted.

PEMKO thresholds meet height requirements per ADA section 404.2.5
ADA 404.2.8.2 Spring Hinges
Door and gate spring hinges shall be adjusted so that from the open position of 70 degrees, the door or gate shall move to the closed position in 1.5 seconds minimum.

ADA 404.2.9 Door and Gate Opening Force
Fire doors shall have a minimum opening force allowable by the appropriate administrative authority. The force for pushing or pulling open a door or gate other than fire doors shall be as follows:
1. Interior hinged doors and gates: 5 pounds (22.2 N) maximum.
2. Sliding or folding doors: 5 pounds (22.2 N) maximum.
These forces do not apply to the force required to retract latch bolts or disengage other devices that hold the door or gate in a closed position.

ADA Advisory 404.2.9 Door and Gate Opening Force
The maximum force pertains to the continuous application of force necessary to fully open a door, not the initial force needed to overcome the inertia of the door. It does not apply to the force required to retract bolts or to disengage other devices used to keep the door in a closed position.

Door Surfaces
ADA 404.2.10 Door and Gate Surfaces
Swinging door and gate surfaces within 10 inches (255 mm) of the finish floor or ground measured vertically shall have a smooth surface on the push side extending the full width of the door or gate. Parts creating horizontal or vertical joints in these surfaces shall be within 1/16 inch (1.6 mm) of the same plane as the other. Cavities created by added kick plates shall be capped.

Vision Lights
ADA 404.2.11 Vision Lights
Doors, gates, and side lights adjacent to doors or gates, containing one or more glazing panels that permit viewing through the panels shall have the bottom of at least one glazed panel located 43 inches (1090 mm) maximum above the finish floor.
Exception:
Vision lights with the lowest part more than 66 inches (1675 mm) from the finish floor or ground shall not be required to comply with 404.2.11.

Automatic and Power Assisted Doors
ADA 404.3 Automatic and Power-Assisted Doors and Gates
Automatic doors and automatic gates shall comply with 404.3. Full-powered automatic doors shall comply with ANSI/BHMA A156.10. Low-energy and power-assisted doors shall comply with ANSI/BHMA A156.19 (1997 or 2002 edition).

ADA 404.3.1 Clear Width
Doorways shall provide a clear opening of 32 inches (815 mm) minimum in power-on and power-off mode. The minimum clear width for automatic door systems in a doorway shall be based on the clear opening provided by all leaves in the open position.
**Acoustics**

Dating back to the late 1960’s, multiple legislative actions with regard to noise control have been taken. Concern grew for people’s exposure to non-occupational noise, resulting in hearing loss over time. Today, many building codes contain requirements for the acoustic performance of walls, doors, windows, ceilings and other architectural elements. These are in place to protect occupants in a building from external noises as well as sounds generated within the building. Applications such as theaters, classrooms, and patient rooms rely on these codes to ensure their occupants are not distracted or subjected to noise outside the specific space they occupy.

**Resources**

- ASTM E413 – Classification for Rating Sound Insulation – 2010
- ASTM E1332-10a – Standard Classification for Rating Outdoor-Indoor Sound Attenuation – 2010

**Quick Reference — Requirements**

**ASTM E90**
Test for airborne sound transmission loss for various building partitions (i.e. walls, operable partitions, roofs, windows, floor-ceiling assemblies, doors, panels, and other “walls” which can divide a space).

**ASTM E413**
Identifies the method for which single-number acoustical ratings are calculated for measuring sound attenuation when using one-third octave bands.

**ASTM E1332**
Assesses a building’s ability to isolate any outdoor sound, like air transportation or outdoor ground noise. This is done by evaluating the building’s facade (including doors, walls, windows, or any of these in any combination).

**ASTM E2235**
Measures rate of decay of sound in a room, as well as calculates sound absorption.

**Understanding Sound**

Sound is the oscillation of pressure, or vibrations, moving through the air. The oscillation pressure is measured in decibels (dB) indicating the intensity of sound. With the use of acoustic products, sound can be absorbed, dampened, insulated, or isolated. The effectiveness of these products are designated by STC ratings, with a higher value indicating greater reduction of unwanted sound.

**PEMKO PDB automatic door bottom utilizes a unique dropping mechanism and seal to aid with acoustic performance**
ANSI S12.60
Identifies acoustical performance criteria required in core learning spaces and classrooms for permanent schools (part 1) and relocatable classrooms (part 2).

Where Required: LEED v2009 for Schools

ASHRAE 189.3.3.2
Interior wall assemblies that separate interior rooms and spaces must be designed to meet these requirements:

- An STC rating of 45 or higher is required for patient rooms in nursing homes and hospitals as well as hotel and motel rooms
- An STC rating of 50 or higher is required for separating adjacent dwelling units, dwelling units and public spaces, adjacent tenant spaces, tenant spaces and public spaces and adjacent classrooms
- An STC rating of 53 or higher is required when separating classrooms from restrooms and/or showers
- An STC rating of 60 or higher is required when separating classrooms from cafeteria, gymnasium, indoor swimming pools, music rooms and/or mechanical rooms
- All STC ratings are determined in accordance with ASTM E90 and ASTM E413

Where Required: LEED v4, v2009

Sound Transmission Class (STC):
In a sound test, an assembly will be tested for two STC ratings. The first is called the “sealed-in-place” rating. This is an assembly where a door is placed within a frame and acoustic putty is then applied to the four sides of the door (top, jambs, and bottom). It is then placed into a test chamber between the source room and receiving room and is subjected to 17 one-third octave bands between 125 and 5000 hertz. The resulting “score” is the best possible STC rating the opening can achieve. The next rating is called the “operable” rating. This same assembly is used in the next application but without the acoustic putty. Instead, perimeter gaskets, door bottoms, and sills are used to block the transmission of sound.

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<th>STC</th>
<th>What Sounds Can Be Heard</th>
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<tr>
<td>25</td>
<td>Normal speech can be understood quite easily and distinctly through wall</td>
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<tr>
<td>30</td>
<td>Loud speech can be understood fairly well, normal speech heard but not understood</td>
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<tr>
<td>35</td>
<td>Loud speech audible but not intelligible</td>
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<tr>
<td>40</td>
<td>Loud speech audible as a murmur</td>
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<tr>
<td>45</td>
<td>Loud speech not audible; 90% of statistical population not annoyed</td>
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<tr>
<td>50</td>
<td>Very loud sounds such as musical instruments or a stereo can be faintly heard; 99% of population not annoyed</td>
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<td>60+</td>
<td>Superior soundproofing; most sounds inaudible</td>
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PEMKO S773 acoustic smoke seal provides a seal between the door and frame to inhibit sound transmission around the door

Sound rated doors available from CECO DOOR, CURRIES, GRAHAM, MAIMAN and SMP SPECIALTY DOORS
Blast Resistance

Standards in this category of protective opening were developed to mitigate injury to occupants from explosive devices of terrorists as well as the accidental explosions caused by industrial chemicals and gases. Many requirements highlight glazing standards because there is substantial evidence to support that careful selection can greatly reduce injury sustained from glass fragments. As such, construction standards and test methods detail the expected performance outcome for both new construction and retrofit/remodeling work. It is important to note that a blast resistant opening is the summation of a door, frame, latching hardware, anchor points and glazing; A true system with different levels of performance.

Resources
DoD UFC 4-010-01 – Unified Facilities Criteria (UFC). DoD Minimum Anti-Terrorism Standards for Buildings – 2013
Petroleum and Chemical Processing Industry Technology Cooperative (PIPITC)

Understanding Blast Resistance

Blast resistant openings are used to protect occupants by ensuring the door, hardware and glazing system remain in place and absorb the pressure wave caused by the blast incident. The blast resistant properties of an opening are expressed in terms of the amount of energy and length of exposure they can withstand.

Quick Reference — Requirements

DoD UFC 04-010-01
Protection levels are linked to potential personal injury and damage to the building in general and to door and glazing systems in particular. The distance between the building and the source of the explosion is a major factor in calculating the protective properties for a given amount of explosive energy. Complementary standards referenced are ASTM F 1642 and ASTM F 2247.

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<th>Level of Protection</th>
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<th>Potential Door &amp; Glazing Hazard</th>
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<td>Severe</td>
<td>High</td>
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<td>Heavy</td>
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<td>Serious</td>
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<td>Moderate</td>
<td>Very Low</td>
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<td>Superficial</td>
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CORBIN RUSSWIN, SARGENT and YALE mortise locks are rated for blast resistance
In a manner similar to related standards, GSA/ISC parameters categorize performance levels for the glass system for the many buildings under their jurisdiction (i.e. court houses, post offices, data processing centers, etc.).

PIPITC is a joint industry research program which provides guidelines on various methods available for the structural design of blast resistant buildings in petroleum and chemical process plants.

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<td>1</td>
<td>Safe</td>
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<td>2</td>
<td>Very High</td>
<td>None</td>
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<td>3A</td>
<td>High</td>
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<td>3B</td>
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<td>4</td>
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**ASTM F2247**
This test method covers the structural performance of metal doors and frames and their restraining hardware (such as latches and hinges) used as a blast resistant barrier. This method involves applying an equivalent static pressure based on the characteristics of the specified blast pressure and structural properties of the door panel design.

**ASTM F1642**
Applicable when glass is incorporated into the opening, there are several performance ratings described. Each one essentially details the size and type of glass fragments as observed following the test. A complete description is detailed in the following sections of the standard:

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<td>7.1.4</td>
<td>Very Low Hazard</td>
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<td>7.1.6</td>
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**ASTM F2927**
Referenced when air blast test results are required to certify that a door opening assembly meets the required blast rating and the related performance level.

**ASTM F2248**
Referenced when engineering calculations are required for an opening with glazing to certify that the assemblies meet a specified blast rating.

Testing conducted for Blast Resistant Door openings from CECO DOOR, CURRIES and SMP SPECIALTY DOORS

Blast resistant doors and frame systems from CECO DOOR, CURRIES and SMP SPECIALTY DOORS meet or exceed the stringent manufacturing and performance requirements of the Department of Defense, Department of State, Department of Homeland Security and other regulatory groups.
Egress

The Triangle Shirtwaist Factory fire of 1911 caused a public outrage when 146 workers perished as a result of locked exit doors and blocked fire escapes. Building codes with specific egress provisions came into existence by 1913, and the requirement for safe egress from buildings remains a fundamental concept of today’s codes.

Code Resources
International Building Code (IBC) – 2012

Quick Reference — Requirements

IBC 403.5.3 Stairway Door Operation
Stairway doors other than the exit discharge doors shall be permitted to be locked from the stairway side. Stairway doors that are locked from the stairway side shall be capable of being unlocked simultaneously without unlatching upon a signal from the fire command center.

IBC 1008.1.9.11 Stairway Doors
Interior stairway means of egress doors shall be openable from both sides without the use of a key or special knowledge or effort.

Exceptions:
1. Stairway discharge doors shall be openable from the egress side and shall only be locked from the opposite side.
2. This section shall not apply to doors arranged in accordance with Section 401.5.3.
3. In stairways serving not more than four stories, doors are permitted to be locked from the side opposite the egress side, provided they are openable from the egress side and capable of being unlocked simultaneously without unlatching upon a signal from the fire command center, if present, or a signal by emergency personnel from a single location inside the main entrance to the building.
4. Stairway exit doors shall be openable from the egress side and shall only be locked from the opposite side in Group B, F, M and S occupancies where the only interior access to the tenant space is from a single exit stair where permitted in Section 1021.2.
5. Stairway exit doors shall be openable from the egress side and shall only be locked from the opposite side in Group R-2 occupancies where the only interior access to the dwelling unit is from a single exit stair where permitted in Section 1021.2.

Understanding Egress

A means of egress is a continuous path of travel from any portion of a building to a public way. This includes the exit access which is the portion of a building that leads to an exit; the exit which provides a protected area leading to the exit discharge (i.e. stair doors); and the exit discharge which is the area that brings a person from the exit to the public way (i.e. street).

Electrified locks or electrified trim of exit devices from CORBIN RUSSWIN, SARGENT and YALE allow automatic unlocking in emergency situations (CORBIN RUSSWIN ML20900 shown)
IBC 1008.1.9.4 Bolt Locks
Manually operated flush bolts or surface bolts are not permitted.

Exceptions:
1. On doors not required for egress in individual dwelling units or sleeping units.
2. Where a pair of doors serves a storage or equipment room, manually operated edge-or surface-mounted bolts are permitted on the inactive leaf.
3. Where a pair of doors serves an occupant load of less than 50 persons in a Group B, F, or S occupancy, manually operated edge-or surface-mounted bolts are permitted on the inactive leaf. The inactive leaf shall contain no doorknobs, panic bars or similar operating hardware.
4. Where a pair of doors serves a Group B, F or S occupancy, manually operated edge-or surface-mounted bolts are permitted on the inactive leaf provided such inactive leaf is not needed to meet egress width requirements and the building is equipped throughout with an automatic sprinkler system in accordance with the Section 903.3.1.1. The inactive leaf shall contain no doorknobs, panic bars or similar operating hardware.
5. Stairway exit doors shall be openable from the egress side and shall only be locked from the opposite side in Group R-2 occupancies where the only interior access to the dwelling unit is from a single exit stair where permitted in Section 1021.2.

IBC 1008.1.10 Panic and Fire Exit Hardware
Doors serving a high-hazard occupancy and doors serving rooms or spaces with an occupant load of 50 or more in assembly or educational occupancies shall not be provided with a latch or lock unless it is panic hardware or fire exit hardware.

Exception: A main exit of a Group A occupancy in compliance with Section 1008.1.9.3. Item 2.

Electrical rooms with equipment rated 1,200 amperes or more and over 6 feet (1829 mm) wide that contain over-current devices, switching devices or control devices with exit or exit access doors shall be equipped with panic hardware or fire exit hardware. The doors shall swing in the direction of egress travel.

IBC 1008.1.10.1 Installation
Where panic or fire exit hardware is installed, it shall comply with the following: Panic hardware shall be listed in accordance with UL 305; fire exit hardware shall be listed in accordance with UL 10C and UL 305; the actuating portion of the releasing device shall extend at least one-half of the door leaf width; and the maximum unlatching force shall not exceed 15 pounds (67 N).
Electromagnetic Locking

Found in all years of the International Building Code (IBC), Access Controlled Egress Doors is a carry-over from the legacy codes of the 80s and 90s. Because of its security tie-in with the fire alarm system, and its sensor unlocking of doors when people are near, it limited an electromagnetically locked door from providing security and protection. Also, due to its non-specific wording regarding the type of lock it referenced, it has led to creative and sometimes expensive interpretation.

Resources
International Building Code (IBC) – 2012
UL 294 – Access Control System Units – 2009

Quick Reference — Requirements

IBC 1008.1.9.9 Electromagnetically Locked Egress Doors
Doors in the means of egress in buildings with an occupancy in Group A, B, E, M, R-1 or R-2 and doors to tenant spaces in Group A, B, E, M, R-1 or R-2 shall be permitted to be electromagnetically locked if equipped with listed hardware that incorporates a built-in switch and meet the requirements below:

1. The listed hardware that is affixed to the door has an obvious method of operation that is readily operated under all lighting conditions.
2. The listed hardware is capable of being operated with one hand.
3. Operation of the listed hardware directly interrupts the power to the electromagnetic lock and unlocks the door immediately.
4. Loss of power to the listed hardware automatically unlocks the door.
5. Where panic or fire exit hardware is required by section 1008.110, operation of the listed panic or fire exit hardware also releases the electromagnetic lock.

UL 294
The access control standard requirements apply to the construction, performance, and operation of physical access control equipment and systems intended to regulate or control entry into and/or exit from a controlled area, protected area or a restricted area. The extent of control of entry/exit may include the reporting and recording of related access and egress activity.

Understanding Electromagnetic Locking
An electromagnetic lock is a surface mounted lock with no moving parts. It is always fail-safe and has no interlocking mechanisms and cannot bind or lock when power is removed. Electromagnetic locks require additional devices to release it by removing power. Additional devices include panic bars with switches, non-latching bars with switches, and button/timer/motion detector combinations, depending on the applicable model code and local supplements.

The SECURITRON IMXDA delayed egress Magnalock® is offered in both Chicago and California versions for local code compliance.
IBC 1008.1.9.8 Access-Controlled Egress Doors

The entrance doors in a means of egress in buildings with an occupancy in Group A, B, E, I-2, M, R-1 or R-2 and entrance doors to tenant spaces in occupancies in Groups A, B, E, I-2, R-1 or R-2 are permitted to be equipped with an approved entrance and egress access control system which shall be installed in accordance with all of the following criteria:

1. A sensor shall be provided on the egress side arranged to detect an occupant approaching the doors. The doors shall be arranged to unlock by a signal from or loss of power to the sensor.

2. Loss of power to that part of the access control system which unlocks the doors shall automatically unlock the doors.

3. The doors shall be arranged to unlock from a manual unlocking device located 40 inches to 48 inches (1016mm to 1219mm) vertically above the floor and within 5 feet (1524mm) of the secured doors. Ready access shall be provided to the manual unlocking device and the device shall be clearly identified by a sign that reads “PUSH TO EXIT.” When operated, the manual unlocking device shall result in direct interruption of power to the lock—independent of the access control system electronics—and the doors shall remain unlocked for a minimum of 30 seconds.

4. Activation of the building fire alarm system, if provided, shall automatically unlock the doors, and the doors shall remain unlocked until the fire alarm system has been reset.

5. Activation of the building automatic sprinkler or fire detection system, if provided, shall automatically unlock the doors. The doors shall remain unlocked until the fire alarm system has been reset.

6. Entrance doors in buildings with an occupancy in Group A, B, E or M shall not be secured from the egress side during periods that the building is open to the general public.

The SECUITRON DSB Dual Sense Bar with touch and mechanical release delivers two independent redundant switch circuits for releasing the magnetic lock.

SECURITRON offers devices to remove power to electromagnetic locks such as motion sensors and exit buttons in accordance with UL 294.
Fire Protection

In the early 1900’s the United States experienced multiple fires resulting in large loss of life. The Iroquois Theater fire in 1903 brought focus to the need for more stringent fire and life safety codes. Underwriters Laboratories and the National Fire Protection Association were instrumental in the creation of codes to guide fire safety in the built environment. Today, ASSA ABLOY and these organizations remain engaged in creating safer environments through the ongoing development of codes and standards.

Resources
International Building Code (IBC) – 2012
International Fire Code (IFC) – 2012
NFPA 80 – Fire Doors and Other Opening Protectives – 2013
NFPA 105 – Standard for Smoke Door Assemblies and Other Opening Protectives – 2013

Quick Reference — Requirements

IBC 706.8 Openings
Each opening through a fire wall shall be protected in accordance with Section 716.5 and shall not exceed 156 square feet (15 m²). The aggregate width of openings at any floor level shall not exceed 25 percent of the length of the wall.

IBC 716.5.3 Door Assemblies in Corridors and Smoke Barriers
Fire door assemblies required to have a minimum fire protection rating of 20 minutes where located in corridor walls or smoke barrier walls having a fire-resistance rating in accordance with Table 716.5 shall be tested in accordance with NFPA 252 or UL 10C without the hose stream test.

IBC 716.5.3.1 Smoke and Draft Control
Fire door assemblies shall also meet the requirements for a smoke and draft control door assembly tested in accordance with UL 1784.

Understanding Fire-Rated Openings

Fire protection and fire resistance rated opening assemblies are engineered for specific applications. Fire protection assemblies restrict the passage of smoke and fire for their classification period, up to and including 3-hour rated assemblies. Fire resistance rated assemblies provide additional protection by insulating the opening against radiant heat transfer.

These assemblies have been designed, tested and listed with third-party certification agencies so that the Authority Having Jurisdiction (AHJ) may ensure the proper application.

The Beacon™ exit device from SARGENT has a combination of audible and visible alerts, creating a clearer pathway to safety during an emergency.
IBC 716.5.5 Doors in Interior Exit Stairways and Ramps and Exit Passageways
Fire door assemblies in interior exit stairways and ramps and exit passageways shall have a maximum transmitted temperature rise of not more than 450°F (250°C) above ambient at the end of 30 minutes of standard fire test exposure.

IBC 716.5.7.4 Fire Door Frame Labeling Requirements
Fire door frames shall be labeled showing the names of the manufacturer and the third-party inspection agency.

IBC 710.5.2.3 Self- or Automatic-Closing Doors
Where required elsewhere in the code, doors in smoke partitions shall be self- or automatic-closing by smoke detection in accordance with Section 716.5.9.3.

IBC 1008.1.10 Panic and Fire Exit Hardware
Doors serving a Group H occupancy and doors serving rooms or spaces with an occupant load of 50 or more in a Group A or E occupancy shall not be provided with a latch or lock unless it is panic hardware or fire exit hardware.

NFPA 101 7.1.3.2.1 Exits
Where this Code requires an exit to be separated from other parts of the building, the separating construction shall meet the requirements of Section 8.2 and the following:

(8) Openings in the separation shall be protected by fire door assemblies equipped with door closers complying with 7.2.1.8.

NFPA 101 7.2.1.15.2 Inspection of Door Openings
Fire-rated door assemblies shall be inspected and tested in accordance with NFPA 80, Standard for Fire Doors and Other Opening Protectives. Smoke door assemblies shall be inspected and tested in accordance with NFPA 105, Standard for Smoke Door Assemblies and Other Opening Protectives.

NFPA 80
The fire door and opening protective standard defines the installation and maintenance requirements as well as allowances for field modification of fire doors. It also defines the annual inspection and testing requirements for fire doors and related hardware.

NFPA 105
The standard for smoke control doors defines the testing, labeling, installation and maintenance of doors required by the codes to be smoke control openings.
Radio Frequency Shielding

All electronic means of transmitting information radiate frequencies of magnetic and radio waves, allowing confidentiality to be breached without the proper door opening solution. Today there is global demand for areas within buildings that dampen the transmission of electronic and magnetic fields from one space to another. Specifically, many commercial and government facilities mandate RF shielded solutions to minimize the risk of interference or unauthorized surveillance of sensitive electronic data. In addition to blocking RF frequencies, these openings can also be rated for sound transmission applications.

Resources


Quick Reference — Requirements

IEEE 299
This standard provides a test method to determine the shielding effectiveness of enclosures for groups of equipment, vehicles, computing systems and other items susceptible to interference or being intercepted by other sources. This Standard supersedes the previous requirements found in MIL-STD-285.

ASTM E90
Test for airborne sound transmission loss for various building partitions (i.e. walls, operable partitions, roofs, windows, floor-ceiling assemblies, doors, panels, and other “walls” which can divide a space).

Understanding RF Shielding

RF Shielded openings block the transmission of specific frequencies of electromagnetic radiation, to ensure the integrity of sensitive data within healthcare, commercial and government buildings. RF shielding also prevents interference with sensitive equipment and processes from similar equipment in adjacent spaces within a facility.

To help ensure sensitive and confidential information is contained, RF Shielding Solutions from CECO DOOR, CURRIES, and SMP SPECIALTY DOOR are third-party certified and designed to provide RFI/EMI shielding of 40db at 10khz-10ghz per ASTM E1851 and IEEE 299 (Conductive perimeter seals, PEMKO threshold and caulk are included with each assembly)
**ASTM E1851**

The intended application of this test method is for shielded enclosures vacant of equipment, racks, etc. prior to interior finish work being completed. The test method is for use in the following frequency ranges: 140 - 160kHz, 14 - 16kHz, 300 - 500MHz, 900 - 1000MHz, and 8.5 - 10.5GHz. This standard determine the electromagnetic shielding effectiveness of durable rigid wall enclosures.

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**MARKAR full surface hinges and edge guards are available with a radiation shielding option to aid with dampening of magnetic and radio waves**

**ASTM D4935**

This test method is intended to measure the electromagnetic shielding effectiveness of a planar material for a plane, far-field, EM wave. The measurement method is valid over a frequency range of 30MHz to 1.5GHz.

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**Door closer covers from NORTON are available with a radiation shielding option to contain radio frequency bands and other ultrasonic waves**

**A radiation shielding option is available from SARGENT and CORBIN RUSSWIN on a selection of products for use where the dampening of magnetic and radio waves is needed**
Sustainability

Projections indicate that soon 50 percent of all non-residential construction will be designed to a green standard. As the built environment strives toward higher levels of sustainability, with special attention paid to energy efficiency and human health impacts, we will see more of what were once voluntary guidelines written into building code.

Resources

International Green Construction Code - 2012

Quick Reference — Requirements

Energy & Atmosphere

ASHRAE 189.1 (2011)
Opaque swinging doors used on exterior openings in climate zones 1, 2, 3, 4 must have a minimum U-Factor of 0.6, while those in climate zones 5, 6, 7, 8 must have a minimum U-Factor of 0.4. These doorways must also achieve air infiltration rates of 0.2 cfm/sf², regardless of climate zone.


ASHRAE 90.1 (2010)
Opaque swinging doors used on exterior openings in climate zones 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 must have a minimum U-Factor of 0.7, while those in Climate Zones 7, 8 must have a minimum U-Factor of 0.5. These same doorways must also achieve Air Infiltration rates of 0.2 cfm/sf² regardless of climate zone.

Where Required: State and Federal Commercial Building Codes, LEED v4 (requires a 10% minimum performance beyond ASHRAE 90.1-2010)

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Where Required: State Commercial Building Codes, LEED v2009 (requires a 10% minimum improvement beyond ASHRAE 90.1-2007)

Understanding Sustainability

As the built environment strives to be as energy efficient and sustainable as possible, high performance commercial doors and hardware play a larger supporting role. Assemblies with high insulating and low air-leakage values contribute to the desired performance requirements of the building envelope.
Energy & Atmosphere (Continued)

Energy & atmosphere credits promote better building energy performance through innovative strategies.

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Materials & Resources

Materials & resources credits encourage using sustainable building materials and reducing waste.

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Indoor Environmental Quality

Indoor environmental quality credits promote better indoor air quality and access to daylight and views.

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Windstorm Solutions

Windstorm rated door opening solutions originated from the requirements of the South Florida Building Code following the devastation of Hurricane Andrew in 1994. Today, the Florida Building Code and the International Building Code have provisions that address property protection and life safety from hurricane and tornado force winds and the resulting debris impacts caused by these storms.

Resources

- International Building Code (IBC) – 2012
- Florida Building Code (FBC) – 2013
- FEMA P-320 – Taking Shelter from the Storm – 2008

Quick Reference — Requirements

IBC 423.1.1 Scope
This section applies to the construction of storm shelters constructed as separate detached buildings or constructed as safe rooms within buildings for the purpose of providing safe refuge from storms that produce high winds, such as tornadoes and hurricanes. Such structures shall be designated to be hurricane shelters, tornado shelters, or combined hurricane and tornado shelters.

IBC 423.3 Group E Occupancies
In areas where the shelter design wind speed for tornadoes is 250 MPH per Figure 304.2(1) of ICC 500, all Group E Occupancies with an aggregate occupant load of 50 or more shall have a storm shelter constructed in accordance with ICC 500. The shelter shall be capable of housing the total occupant load of the Group E occupancy.

IBC 423.3 Critical Emergency Operations
In areas where the shelter design wind speed for tornadoes per Figure 304.2(1) of ICC 500 is 250 MPH, 911 call stations, emergency operation centers and fire, rescue, ambulance and police stations shall have a storm shelter constructed in accordance with ICC 500.

Understanding Windstorm Assemblies

Windstorm rated opening assemblies for tornado or hurricane resistance are engineered for specific applications. These assemblies have been designed, tested and listed with third-party certification agencies so that the Authority Having Jurisdiction (AHJ) may ensure the proper application. All assemblies used for these applications should bear a label detailing the specific standards to which they have been tested and the performance levels achieved.

McKINNEY StormPro® Tornado Resistant Hinges are part of an overall solution along with CECO StormPro® 361 or CURRIES StormPro® 361 Doors
FBC 423.25.4 Structural standard for wind loads
Openings shall withstand the impact of wind-borne debris missiles in accordance with the impact and cyclic loading criteria per ASTM E 1886 and ASTM E 1996 or SBC/SSTD 12.

FEMA P320
Regardless of where the safe room is built, it must be equipped with a door that has been tested and certified to the appropriate criteria and will resist the impact of wind-borne debris.

FEMA P361 Openings and Opening Protectives in Tornado Safe Rooms
The openings in the safe room envelope should be protected by doors complying with ICC-500, Section 306.3.1.

ICC 500 - 501.5 Door Operation
Means of egress doors shall be operable from the inside without the use of keys or special knowledge or effort.

ICC 500 - 806.3.2.2 Door Assemblies with Glazing, Sidelights, or Transoms for Hurricane Shelters
Door assemblies with glazing, sidelights, or transoms for hurricane shelters shall be static pressure proof tested away from the door stops to a pressure of at least 1.2 times the design wind pressure. Any required debris impact tests shall follow pressure proof testing. After impact tests the door assembly shall be subjected to cyclic pressure tests following procedures of ASTM E 1886.

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