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Starborn® Structural H23 and F23 Screws: Deck Ledger and Ledger to Stud Applications

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1 Innovative Products Evaluatedⁱ

1.1 Starborn® Structural H23 Screws

1.2 Starborn® Structural F23 Screws

1.2.1 1/2" galvanized lag screw for comparative, equivalency, and code compliance purposesⁱⁱ

2 Product Description and Materials

2.1 The innovative products evaluated in this report are shown in **Figure 1** and **Figure 2** and described in **Table 1**.

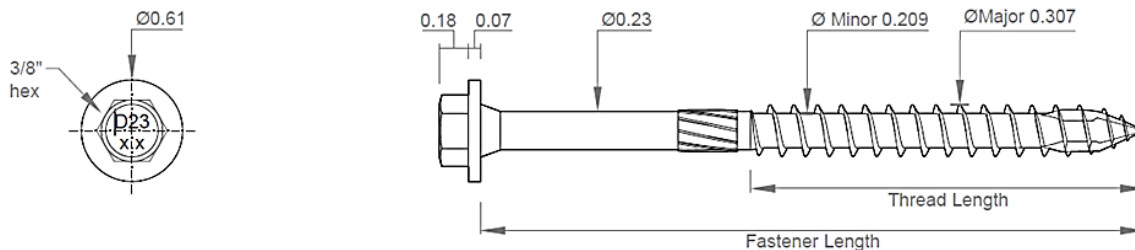


Figure 1. Starborn® Structural H23 Screw

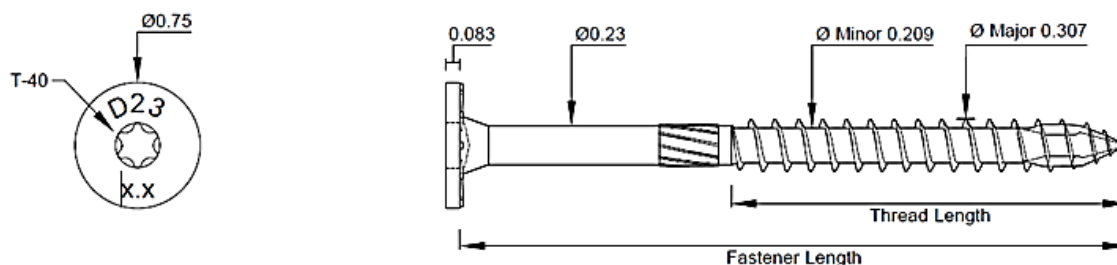


Figure 2. Starborn® Structural F23 Screw

Table 1. Starborn® Structural Fastener Designation and Product Name

Product Name	Unthreaded Shank Diameter ¹ (in)	Head Type	Coating Type (Application)
Structural H23	0.229	Hex (3/8")	Exterior Use
Structural F23		Flat (T-40)	
SI: 1 in = 25.4 mm			
1. Unthreaded shank diameter is measured on uncoated parts. Finished part dimensions are larger due to the thickness of the proprietary coating.			

2.2 General

- 2.2.1.1 Starborn® Structural H23 and F23 Screws are alternate dowel-type threaded fasteners designed for use in wood to-wood connections in ledger applications.

2.3 Fastener Material

- 2.3.1 Starborn® Structural H23 and F23 Screws are manufactured with heat-treated carbon steel grade 10B21 wire using a standard cold-forming process. All fasteners are produced in accordance with the approved quality control procedures referred to in Section 12.

2.4 Fastener Coatings

- 2.4.1 Starborn® Structural H23 and F23 Screws are designed for exterior use and may be used where fasteners are required to exhibit corrosion resistance when exposed to adverse environmental conditions and/or in preservative treated wood subject to the limitations of Section 12. These fasteners are alternates to hot-dip-zinc-galvanized fasteners. They feature a proprietary coating system that meets or exceeds the corrosion protection of hot dipped galvanizing per ASTM A153 in accordance with IBC Section 2304.10 and IRC Section R317.3.
- 2.4.1.1 Starborn® Structural H23 and F23 Screws were evaluated for use in wood chemically treated with waterborne alkaline copper quaternary, Type D (ACQ-D).
- 2.4.1.2 Starborn® Structural H23 and F23 Screws are approved for use in fire-retardant treated lumber, provided the conditions set forth by the fire-retardant treated lumber manufacturer are met, including appropriate strength reductions.

2.5 Wood Members

- 2.5.1 Solid sawn wood members connected with Starborn® Structural H23 and F23 Screws shall consist of lumber species or species combinations having a specific gravity of 0.42 to 0.55.
- 2.5.2 Structural composite lumber (i.e., LVL, LSL, PSL, etc.) connected with Starborn® Structural H23 and F23 Screws shall be recognized in evaluation reports having published equivalent specific gravities for lateral and withdrawal resistance. Equivalent specific gravities for structural composite lumber may be used in the design of connections using the specific gravities of the sawn lumber shown in **Table 3** and **Table 4**.

2.6 Fastener Specifications

- 2.6.1 **Table 2** lists the dimensions and mechanical properties of Starborn® Structural H23 and F23 Screws that are evaluated in this report.

Table 2. Fastener Specifications

Product Name	Head Marking	Fastener Length ¹ (in)	Thread Length ² (in)	Unthreaded Shank Diameter ³ (in)	Thread Diameter (in)		Nominal Bending Yield, F _y ^b (psi)	Allowable Fastener Strength (lb)	
					Minor ⁴	Major		Tensile	Shear
Structural H23	D23 4	4	2 ³ / ₈	0.229	0.209	0.307	183,155	1,980	1,490
	D23 5	5	3						
Structural F23	D23 4	4	2 ³ / ₈						
	D23 5	5	3						

SI: 1 in = 25.4 mm, 1 lb = 4.45 N, 1 psi = 0.00689 MPa

1. Measured from the underside of the head to the tip.

2. Includes tip.

3. Unthreaded shank diameter is measured on uncoated parts. Finished part dimensions are larger due to the thickness of the proprietary coating.

4. Minor thread diameter is calculated as the average value of upper and lower manufacturing tolerances.

- 2.7 As needed, review material properties for design in Section 6 and to regulatory evaluation in Section 8.

3 Definitions

- 3.1 New Materialsⁱⁱⁱ are defined as building materials, equipment, appliances, systems, or methods of construction not provided for by prescriptive and/or legislatively adopted regulations, known as alternative materials.^{iv} The design strengths and permissible stresses shall be established by tests^v and/or engineering analysis.^{vi}
- 3.2 Duly Authenticated Reports^{vii} and Research Reports^{viii} are test reports and related engineering evaluations, which are written by an approved agency^{ix} and/or an approved source.^x
- 3.2.1 These reports contain intellectual property and/or trade secrets, which are protected by the Defend Trade Secrets Act (DTSA).^{xi}
- 3.3 An approved agency is “approved” when it is ANAB ISO/IEC 17065 accredited. DrJ Engineering, LLC (DrJ) is listed in the ANAB directory.
- 3.4 An approved source is “approved” when a professional engineer (i.e., Registered Design Professional [RDP]) is properly licensed to transact engineering commerce. The regulatory authority governing approved sources is the state legislature via its professional engineering regulations.^{xii}
- 3.5 Testing and/or inspections conducted for this Duly Authenticated Report were performed by an ISO/IEC 17025 accredited testing laboratory, an ISO/IEC 17020 accredited inspection body and/or a licensed RDP.
- 3.5.1 The Center for Building Innovation (CBI) is ANAB^{xiii} ISO/IEC 17025 and ISO/IEC 17020 accredited.
- 3.6 The regulatory authority shall enforce^{xiv} the specific provisions of each legislatively adopted regulation. If there is a non-conformance, the specific regulatory section and language of the non-conformance shall be provided in writing^{xv} stating the nonconformance and the path to its cure.



- 3.7 The regulatory authority shall accept Duly Authenticated Reports from an approved agency and/or an approved source with respect to the quality and manner of use of new materials or assemblies as provided for in regulations regarding the use of alternative materials, designs, or methods of construction.^{xvi}
- 3.8 ANAB is an International Accreditation Forum (IAF) Multilateral Recognition Arrangement (MLA) signatory where recognition of certificates, validation, and verification statements issued by conformity assessment bodies accredited by all other signatories of the IAF MLA with the appropriate scope, shall be approved.^{xvii} Therefore, all ANAB ISO/IEC 17065 Duly Authenticated Reports are approval equivalent.^{xviii}
- 3.9 Approval equity is a fundamental commercial and legal principle.^{xix}

4 Applicable Standards for the Listing; Regulations for the Regulatory Evaluation^{xx}

4.1 Standards

- 4.1.1 *ANSI/AWC NDS: National Design Specification (NDS) for Wood Construction*
- 4.1.2 *ASTM A153: Standard Specification for Zinc Coating (Hot-Dip) on Iron and Steel Hardware*
- 4.1.3 *ASTM D1761: Standard Test Methods for Mechanical Fasteners in Wood*

4.2 Regulations

- 4.2.1 *IBC – 15, 18, 21: International Building Code®*
- 4.2.2 *IRC – 15, 18, 21: International Residential Code®*
- 4.2.3 *IECC – 15, 18, 21: International Energy Conservation Code®*

5 Listed^{xxi}

- 5.1 A nationally recognized testing laboratory such as CBI, states that the materials, designs, methods of construction, and/or equipment have met nationally recognized standards and/or have been tested and found suitable for use in a specified manner.

6 Tabulated Properties Generated from Nationally Recognized Standards

6.1 General

- 6.1.1 Starborn® Structural H23 and F23 Screws are self-tapping fasteners used for attaching the deck ledger to the band joist of a building in accordance with IBC Section 1604.8.3 and IRC Section R507.9.^{xxii} See Section 9 for installation requirements.
- 6.1.2 The IRC provides prescriptive fastener spacing for the attachment of a deck ledger to a band joist with 1/2" diameter lag screws or through bolts as shown in IRC Table R507.9.1.3(1).^{xxiii}
- 6.1.3 Starborn® Structural H23 and F23 Screws can be used for attaching ledger boards to wall studs with zero, one, or two layers of GWB between the ledger and the wall studs.
- 6.1.4 Starborn® Structural H23 and F23 Screws are installed without lead holes, as prescribed in NDS.
- 6.1.5 *Design*
 - 6.1.5.1 Design of Starborn® Structural H23 and F23 Screws are governed by the applicable code and the provisions for dowel-type fasteners in NDS.
 - 6.1.5.2 Unless otherwise noted, adjustment of the design stresses for duration of load shall be in accordance with the applicable code.



6.2 Ledger to Band Joist Connection

- 6.2.1 Starborn® Structural H23 and F23 Screws are designed specifically for attaching the deck ledger to the band joist of a building in accordance with IBC Section 1604.8.3 and IRC Section R507.9.^{xxiv}
- 6.2.1.1 Where a band joist is not used, as in some truss installations, an engineered design is required. See **Appendix B: Code Requirements for Ledger Attachments** for additional code requirements for ledger attachments.
- 6.2.2 The IRC provides prescriptive fastener spacing for the attachment of a deck ledger to a rim joist with 1/2" diameter lag screws or through bolts as shown in IRC Table R507.9.1.3(1).^{xxv}
- 6.2.3 **Table 3** provides the Starborn® Structural H23 and F23 Screws spacing required to provide performance at least equivalent to the lag screws found in IRC Table R507.9.1.3(1)^{xxvi} in accordance with IBC Section 104.11, IBC Section 1604.8.3, IRC Section R104.11, IRC Section R507.9,^{xxvii} and in accordance with generally accepted engineering practice.
- 6.2.3.1 **Table 3** provides Starborn® Structural H23 and F23 Screws spacing for items found in IRC Table R507.9.1.3(1)^{xxviii} as well as a wider range of materials commonly used for band joists.
- 6.2.3.2 Screw spacing for a deck live load of 40 psf in accordance with IRC Section R301.5 and a deck dead load of 10 psf.
- 6.2.3.3 In addition, an alternate loading condition (i.e., deck live load = 60 psf, deck dead load = 10 psf) required by some jurisdictions is shown.
- 6.2.4 When installed in accordance with the spacing requirements of **Table 2**, Starborn® Structural H23 and F23 Screws provide equivalent performance to IRC Section R507.9.^{xxix}

Table 3. Starborn® Structural H23 and F23 Screw Spacing for Items in IRC Table 507.9.1.3(1)¹⁰ & Other Materials & Loading Conditions

Loading Condition	Fastener Length ⁴ (in)	Band Joist Material ^{5,9}	2x Nominal Ledger Species ^{2,8}	Maximum Deck Joist Spans ^{3,6,7} (ft)						
				Up to 6'	Up to 8'	Up to 10'	Up to 12'	Up to 14'	Up to 16'	Up to 18'
				Maximum On-Center Spacing of Ledger Board Fasteners (in)						
LL + DL 40+10 (psf)	4	Sawn Lumber	DF/SP	30	22	18	15	12	11	10
			HF/SPF	22	17	13	11	9	8	7
		SCL	DF/SP	28	21	17	14	12	10	9
			HF/SPF	24	18	14	12	10	9	8
	5	Sawn Lumber	DF/SP	30	23	18	15	13	11	10
			HF/SPF	24	18	14	12	10	9	8
		SCL	DF/SP	30	23	18	15	13	11	10
			HF/SPF	26	19	15	13	11	9	8
LL + DL 60+10 (psf)	4	Sawn Lumber	DF/SP	21	16	12	10	9	8	7
			HF/SPF	16	12	9	8	6	6	5
		SCL	DF/SP	20	15	12	10	8	7	6
			HF/SPF	17	13	10	8	7	6	5
	5	Sawn Lumber	DF/SP	23	17	13	11	9	8	7
			HF/SPF	17	13	10	8	7	6	5
		SCL	DF/SP	22	16	13	11	9	8	7
			HF/SPF	18	14	11	9	8	7	6

SI: 1 in = 25.4 mm, 1 ft = 0.305 m, 1 psf = 0.0479 kN/m²

SCL = Structural Composite Lumber, DF = Douglas Fir, SP = Southern Pine, HF = Hem-Fir, SPF = Spruce Pine Fir

- 10 pounds (psf) added for typical dead load requirements. Additional dead loads not accounted for.
- Ledger materials assumed to be in wet service condition.
- Load duration of 1.0. Spacing may be adjusted by the applicable load duration as specified in NDS 2018.
- Fasteners are required to have full penetration into the band joist.
- Solid sawn band joists shall be HF/SPF or DF/SP species (Specific gravity of 0.42 and 0.50 respectively).
- Fastener spacing based on tested loads. The design values are the lesser of a 1/8" deflection or a factor of safety equivalent to or greater than that of the code compliant lag screw application as defined in **Figure 3**.
- A maximum 1/2" structural sheathing may be installed between the ledger and the band joist.
- Minimum ledger board requirements: 1.5" thick and 7.25" depth.
- Minimum band joist requirements: Specific gravity of 0.42 for sawn lumber and equivalent SG of 0.50 for SCL; sawn lumber band joist 1.5" thick and 7.25" depth; SCL band joist 1.0" thick and 7.25" depth.
- 2015 IRC Table R507.2

6.3 Ledger Board to Stud Connection

6.3.1 Allowable lateral loads for deck ledger to stud connections installed with Starborn® Structural H23 and F23 Screws are presented in **Table 4**.

6.3.1.1 Values in **Table 4** apply where the ledger is installed either directly over the studs or with up to two layers of 5/8" gypsum wallboards between the ledger and studs.

Table 4. Starborn® Structural H23 and F23 Screws Allowable Load Per Stud Connection With or Without GWB (lb)^{1,2,3,4,5,6,7}

Product Name	Head Marking	Fastener Length (in)	Minimum Penetration Into Main Member (in)	Layers of GWB ⁸	No. of Fasteners Per Stud	Ledger Size		
						2x6	2x8	2x10
Structural H23 and Structural F23	D23 4	4	2 1/2	0	2	915	915	1,190
			1 7/8	1	2	815	815	1,070
	D23 5	5	2 1/4	2	3	845	845	1,095

SI: 1 in = 25.4 mm, 1 lb = 4.45 N

GWB = Gypsum Wall Board

- Additional fasteners prohibited.
- SPF ledger with minimum specific gravity of 0.42.
- The tabulated values apply where the ledger is installed either directly over the studs or with up to two layers of 5/8" gypsum between the ledger and studs.
- Allowable loads shall be limited to parallel-to-grain loaded solid sawn main members (minimum 2" nominal studs). Wood side members (ledger) shall be loaded perpendicular to grain.
- Allowable loads are shown at the wood load duration factor (C_D) = 1.00. Loads may be increased for load duration as permitted by the building code up to a C_D = 1.60. All adjustment factors shall be applied per NDS. For in-service moisture content greater than nineteen percent (19%), use Wet Service Factor (C_M) = 0.70.
- Fasteners shall be centered in the stud and spaced as shown in **Figure 4** through **Figure 12** in Section 9. The stud minimum end distance is 6 3/4" when loaded toward the end and 4" when loaded away from the end. The ledger end distance is 6" for full values. For ledger end distances between 2" and 6" use fifty percent (50%) of the table loads. For end distances between 2" and 4", predrill using a 5/32" bit to prevent splitting.
- For Load Resistance Factor Design (LRFD) values, the reference connection design values shall be adjusted in accordance with the NDS, Section 11.3.
- Gypsum board must be attached as required per the applicable building code.

6.4 Where the application falls outside of the performance evaluation, conditions of use, and/or installation requirements set forth herein, alternative techniques shall be permitted in accordance with accepted engineering practice and experience. This includes but is not limited to the following areas of engineering: mechanics or materials, structural, building science, and fire science.

7 Certified Performance^{xxx}

- All construction methods shall conform to accepted engineering practices to ensure durable, livable, and safe construction and shall demonstrate acceptable workmanship reflecting journeyman quality of work of the various trades.^{xxxi}
- The strength and rigidity of the component parts and/or the integrated structure shall be determined by engineering analysis or by suitable load tests to simulate the actual loads and conditions of application that occur.^{xxxi}

8 Regulatory Evaluation and Accepted Engineering Practice

- 8.1 Starborn® Structural H23 and F23 Screws comply with the following legislatively adopted regulations and/or accepted engineering practice for the following reasons:
- 8.1.1 Starborn® Structural H23 and F23 Screws were tested and evaluated to determine their ability to provide code complying attachment of ledger boards to the building structure in the following applications:
- 8.1.1.1 Use for the attachment of deck ledgers to the building structure in accordance with ASTM D1761. This application includes attachments to Spruce Pine Fir (SPF) band joists^{xxxiii} and Structural Composite Lumber (SCL) band joists.
- 8.1.1.2 Attachment of ledger boards to wood framed wall studs in accordance with ASTM D1761. This application includes zero, one or two layers of 5/8" gypsum wallboard (GWB) between the ledger and the wall studs (see **Figure 4** through **Figure 12** in Section 9).
- 8.2 For conventionally framed buildings, the ledger is required to be attached to the band joist in accordance with IBC Section 1604.8.3 or IRC Section R507.9,^{xxxiv} or as applicable.
- 8.3 Ultimate connection capacities and deflections of typical ledger board connections were match tested and evaluated pursuant to the provisions of the IRC and IBC. See **Appendix C: Testing Procedure and Methodology** for a description of testing methods.
- 8.4 Use of fasteners in locations exposed to saltwater or saltwater spray is outside the scope of this report.
- 8.5 Any building code, regulation, and/or accepted engineering evaluations (i.e., research reports, duly authenticated reports, etc.) that are conducted for this report were performed by DrJ Engineering, LLC (DrJ), an ISO/IEC 17065 accredited certification body and a professional engineering company operated by RDP/approved sources. DrJ is qualified^{xxxv} to practice product and regulatory compliance services within its scope of accreditation and engineering expertise, respectively.
- 8.6 Engineering evaluations are conducted with DrJ's ANAB accredited ICS code scope of expertise, which are also its areas of professional engineering competence.
- 8.7 Any regulation specific issues not addressed in this section are outside the scope of this report.

9 Installation

- 9.1 Installation shall comply with the approved construction documents, the manufacturer installation instructions, this report, and the applicable building code.
- 9.2 In the event of a conflict between the manufacturer installation instructions and this report, the more restrictive shall govern.
- 9.3 For applications outside the scope of this report, an engineered design is required.
- 9.4 *General*
- 9.4.1 Fasteners shall be installed with the topside of the head flush to the surface of the wood member.
- 9.4.2 Fasteners shall not be overdriven.
- 9.4.3 Fasteners shall not be struck with a hammer during installation.
- 9.4.4 Lead holes are not required but may be used where lumber is prone to splitting using the provisions in the NDS.
- 9.5 *Deck Ledger to Band Joist Installation Procedure*
- 9.5.1 Choose 4" or 5" Starborn® Structural H23 and F23 Screws so that the threads fully engage the band joist material and the fastener tip extends beyond the back face of the band joist material when fully seated against the installed ledger board. There is a minimum penetration of 1" unless otherwise stated in this report.
- 9.5.2 Using a high-torque, low-speed drill, drive the fasteners through the ledger and sheathing. Continue into the band joist until the built-in washer head is drawn firm and flush to the ledger board. Do not overdrive.

- 9.5.3 The screws must be installed using a $\frac{3}{8}$ " hex or Torx® T-40 star driver bit. Pre-drilling of pilot holes is not required but may be used where lumber is prone to splitting.
- 9.5.4 All fastener spacing, edge distance, and end distance shall be as shown in **Table 3** and **Figure 3**.
- 9.5.4.1 Stagger the fasteners from the top to the bottom along the length of the ledger while maintaining the required edge and end distances.
- 9.5.4.2 As an example, **Figure 3** shows a detail of the Starborn® Structural H23 or F23 Screw deck connection, including minimum edge and end distances.

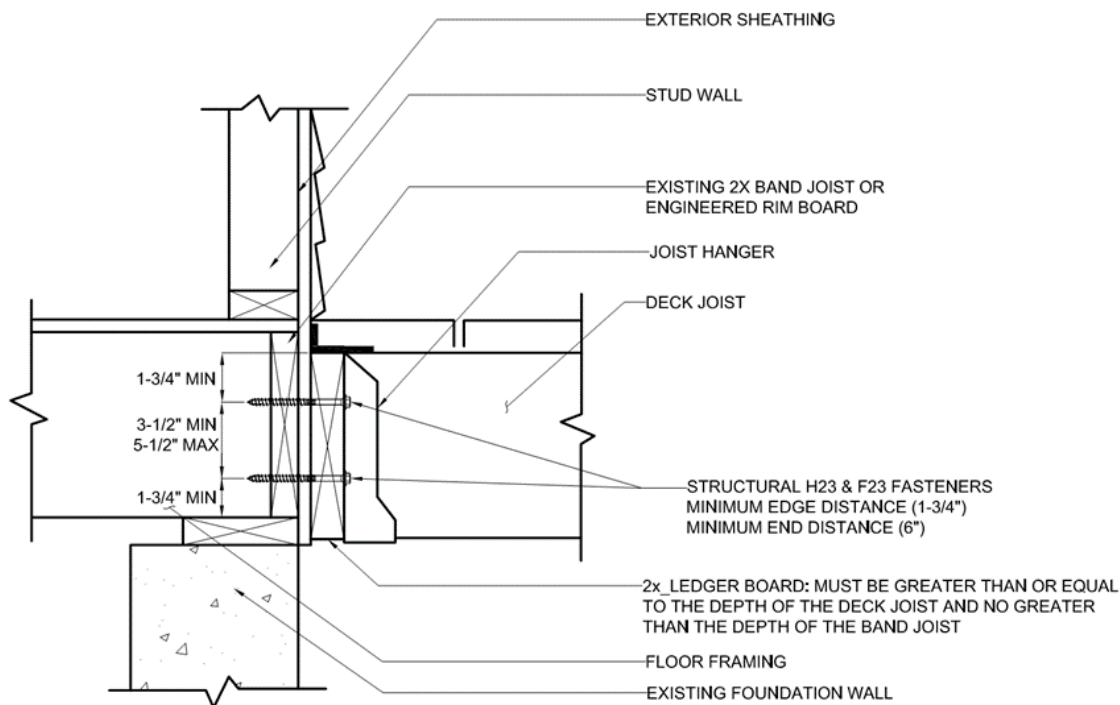


Figure 3. Starborn® Structural H23 and F23 Screw Deck Connection

9.6 Ledger to Stud Installation Procedure

- 9.6.1 Choose a Power Pro® fastener listed in **Table 3**.
- 9.6.2 Fasteners shall be centered in the stud.
- 9.6.2.1 The stud minimum end distance is $6\frac{3}{4}$ " when loaded toward the end and 4" when loaded away from the end.
- 9.6.2.2 Fasteners shall be installed with a minimum end distance of 6" on the ledger.
- 9.6.3 *Without GWB Interlayer:*
- 9.6.3.1 Installation details for ledger to stud connections without GWB for 2x6, 2x8, and 2x10 ledgers are shown in **Figure 4**, **Figure 5**, and **Figure 6**, respectively.

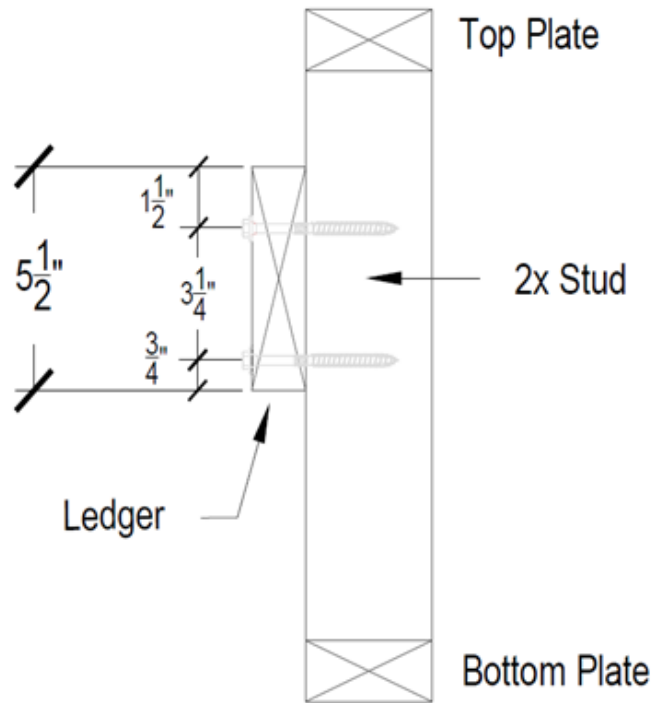


Figure 4. 2x6 Ledger with No GWB

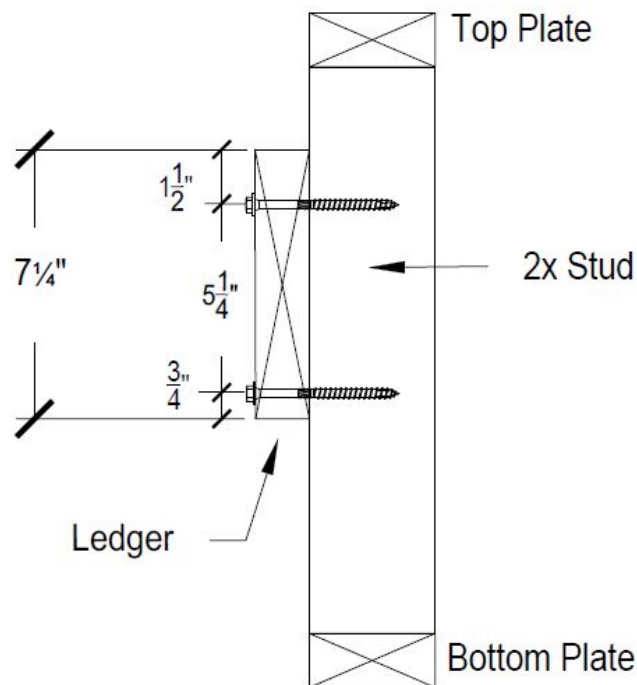


Figure 5. 2x8 Ledger with No GWB

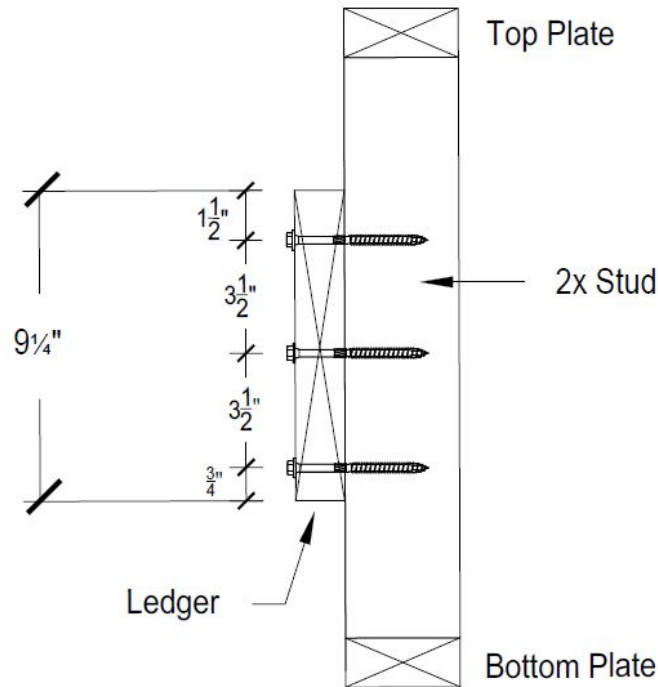


Figure 6. 2x10 Ledger with No GWB

9.6.4 With One Layer GWB Interlayer

- 9.6.4.1 Installation details for ledger to stud connections with a single layer of GWB for 2x6, 2x8, and 2x10 ledgers are shown in **Figure 7**, **Figure 8**, and **Figure 9**, respectively.

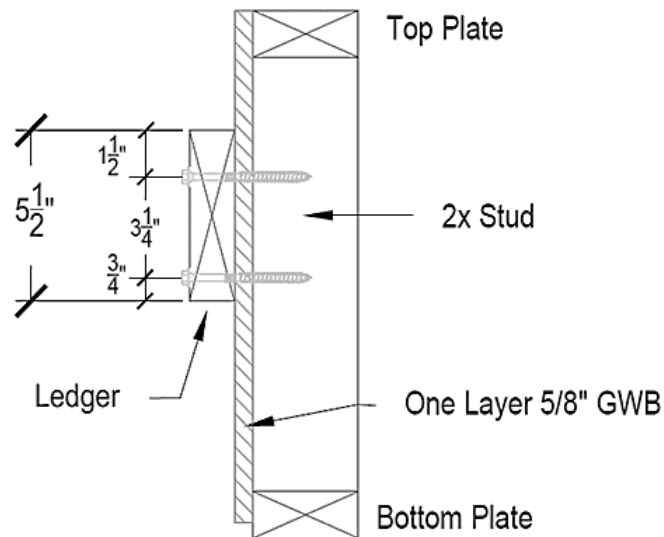


Figure 7. 2x6 Ledger with One Layer GWB

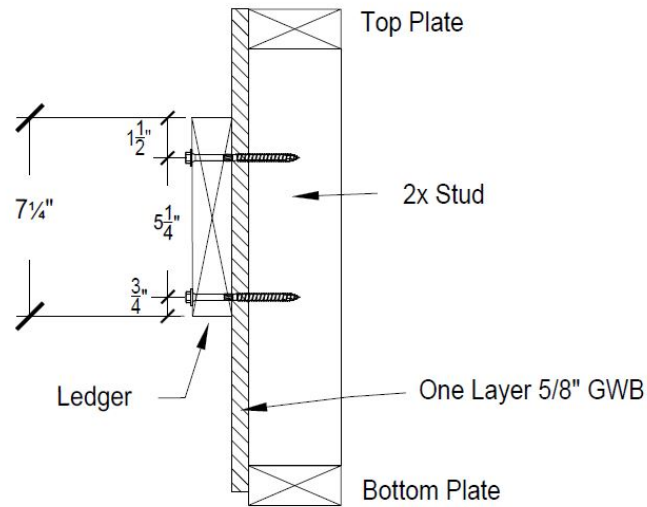


Figure 8. 2x8 Ledger with One Layer GWB

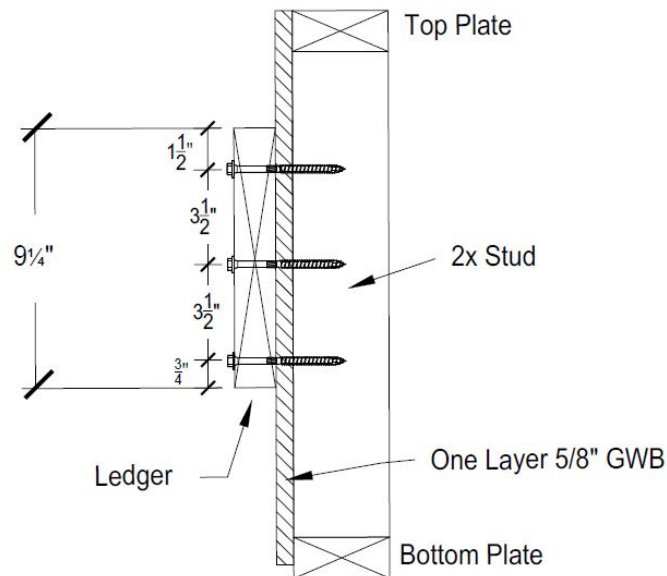


Figure 9. 2x10 Ledger with One Layer GWB

9.6.5 With Two Layers GWB Interlayer

9.6.5.1 Installation details for ledger to stud connections with a double layer of GWB for 2x6, 2x8, and 2x10 ledgers are shown in **Figure 10**, **Figure 11**, and **Figure 12**, respectively

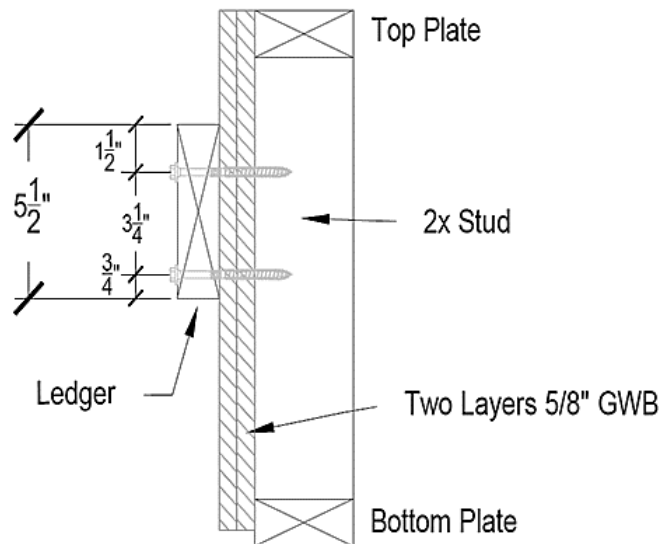


Figure 10. 2x6 Ledger with Two Layers GWB

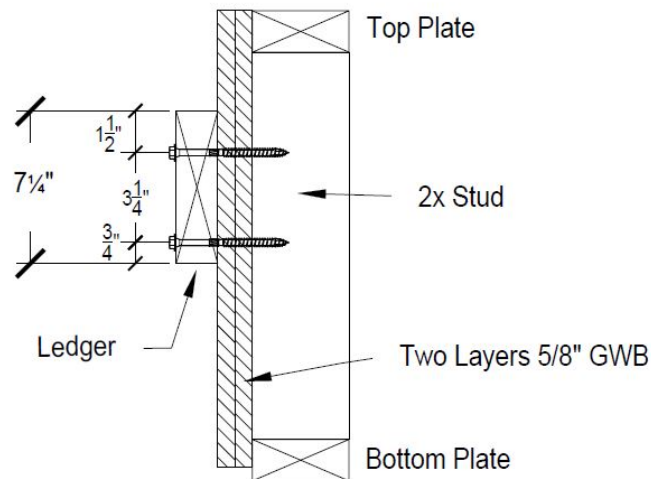


Figure 11. 2x8 Ledger with Two Layers GWB

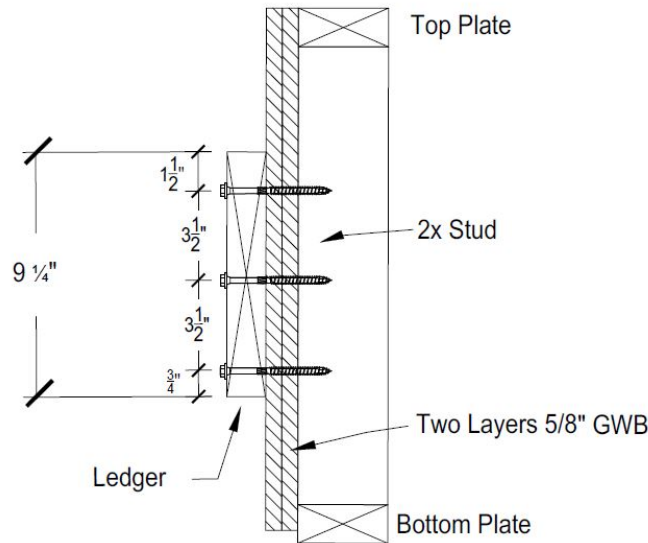


Figure 12. 2x10 Ledger with Two Layers GWB

10 Substantiating Data

- 10.1 Testing has been performed under the supervision of a professional engineer and/or under the requirements of ISO/IEC 17025 as follows:
 - 10.1.1 Deck ledger assembly testing in accordance with ASTM D1761.
 - 10.1.2 ANSI/AWC NDS: National Design Specification (NDS) for Wood Construction.
 - 10.1.3 Material properties and design values in accordance with Report Number 1703-05.
 - 10.1.4 DCA 6, Prescriptive Residential Wood Deck Construction Guide; AF&PA; 2010
- 10.2 Information contained herein may include the result of testing and/or data analysis by sources that are approved agencies, approved sources, and/or RDPs. Accuracy of external test data and resulting analysis is relied upon.
- 10.3 Where pertinent, testing and/or engineering analysis are based upon provisions that have been codified into law through state or local adoption of regulations and standards. The developers of these regulations and standards are responsible for the reliability of published content. DrJ's engineering practice may use a regulation-adopted provision as the control. A regulation-endorsed control versus a simulation of the conditions of application to occur establishes a new material as being equivalent to the regulatory provision in terms of quality, strength, effectiveness, fire resistance, durability, and safety.
- 10.4 The accuracy of the provisions provided herein may be reliant upon the published properties of raw materials, which are defined by the grade mark, grade stamp, mill certificate, or duly authenticated reports from approved agencies and/or approved sources provided by the supplier. These are presumed to be minimum properties and relied upon to be accurate. The reliability of DrJ's engineering practice, as contained in this duly authenticated report, may be dependent upon published design properties by others.
- 10.5 Testing and engineering analysis: The strength, rigidity, and/or general performance of component parts and/or the integrated structure are determined by suitable tests that simulate the actual conditions of application that occur and/or by accepted engineering practice and experience.^{xxxvi}
- 10.6 Where additional condition of use and/or regulatory compliance information is required, please search for Starborn® Structural H23 and F23 Screws on the DrJ Certification website.



11 Findings

- 11.1 As outlined in Section 8, Starborn® Structural H23 and F23 Screws have performance characteristics that were tested and/or meet applicable regulations and are suitable for use pursuant to its specified purpose.
- 11.2 When used and installed in accordance with this duly authenticated report and the manufacturer installation instructions, Starborn® Structural H23 and F23 Screws shall be approved for the following applications:
- 11.2.1 As an alternative to the requirements of the IBC Section 1604.8.3 and IRC Section R507.9.^{xxxvii}
- 11.2.2 Connection of ledger boards to wall studs is suitable with zero, one, or two layers of gypsum between the ledger and wall studs in accordance with Section 6.3.
- 11.3 Unless exempt by state statute, when Starborn® Structural H23 and F23 Screws are to be used as a structural and/or building envelope component in the design of a specific building, the design shall be performed by an RDP.
- 11.4 Any application specific issues not addressed herein can be engineered by an RDP. Assistance with engineering is available from Starborn® Industries, Inc.
- 11.5 IBC Section 104.11 (IRC Section R104.11 and IFC Section 104.10)^{xxxviii} are similar) in pertinent part states:
- 104.11 Alternative materials, design and methods of construction and equipment.** The provisions of this code are not intended to prevent the installation of any material or to prohibit any design or method of construction not specifically prescribed by this code. Where the alternative material, design or method of construction is not approved, the building official shall respond in writing, stating the reasons the alternative was not approved.
- 11.6 **Approved:**^{xxxix} Building regulations require that the building official shall accept duly authenticated reports.^{xl}
- 11.6.1 An approved agency is “approved” when it is ANAB ISO/IEC 17065 accredited.
- 11.6.2 An approved source is “approved” when an RDP is properly licensed to transact engineering commerce.
- 11.6.3 Federal law, Title 18 US Code Section 242, requires that where the alternative product, material, service, design, assembly and/or method of construction is not approved, the building official shall respond in writing, stating the reasons why the alternative was not approved. Denial without written reason deprives a protected right to free and fair competition in the marketplace.
- 11.7 DrJ is a licensed engineering company, employs licensed RDPs and is an ANAB-Accredited Product Certification Body – Accreditation #1131.
- 11.8 Through the IAF Multilateral Agreements (MLA), this Duly Authenticated Report can be used to obtain product approval in any jurisdiction or country because all ANAB ISO/IEC 17065 Duly Authenticated Reports are equivalent.^{xli}

12 Conditions of Use

- 12.1 Material properties shall not fall outside the boundaries defined in Section 8.
- 12.2 As defined in Section 8, where material and/or engineering mechanics properties are created for load resisting design purposes, the resistance to the applied load shall not exceed the ability of the defined properties to resist those loads using the principles of accepted engineering practice.
- 12.3 As listed herein, Starborn® Structural H23 and F23 Screws shall not be used:
- 12.3.1 In applications where the loads exceed the allowable values in **Table 4**.
- 12.4 When installed in preservative treated wood or fire retardant treated wood, connections shall designed using the treatment manufacturer reductions for connections.
- 12.5 For conditions not covered in this report, connections shall be designed in accordance with generally accepted engineering practice. When the capacity of a connection is controlled by fastener metal strength rather than wood strength, the metal strength must not be multiplied by the adjustment factors specified in the NDS.
- 12.6 Use of fasteners in locations exposed to saltwater or saltwater spray is outside the scope of this report.



- 12.7 When required by adopted legislation and enforced by the building official, also known as the authority having jurisdiction (AHJ) in which the project is to be constructed:
- 12.7.1 Any calculations incorporated into the construction documents shall conform to accepted engineering practice and, when prepared by an approved source, shall be approved when signed and sealed.
 - 12.7.2 This report and the installation instructions shall be submitted at the time of permit application.
 - 12.7.3 These innovative products have an internal quality control program and a third-party quality assurance program.
 - 12.7.4 At a minimum, these innovative products shall be installed per Section **9** of this report.
 - 12.7.5 The review of this report by the AHJ shall comply with IBC Section 104 and IBC Section 105.4.
 - 12.7.6 These innovative products have an internal quality control program and a third party quality assurance program in accordance with IBC Section 104.4, IBC Section 110.4, IBC Section 1703, IRC Section R104.4, and IRC Section R109.2.
 - 12.7.7 The application of these innovative products in the context of this report is dependent upon the accuracy of the construction documents, implementation of installation instructions, inspection as required by IBC Section 110.3, IRC Section R109.2, and any other regulatory requirements that may apply.
- 12.8 The approval of this report by the AHJ shall comply with IBC Section 1707.1, where legislation states in part, *"the building official shall accept duly authenticated reports from approved agencies in respect to the quality and manner of use of new material or assemblies as provided for in Section 104.11,"* all of IBC Section 104, and IBC Section 105.4.
- 12.9 Design loads shall be determined in accordance with the regulations adopted by the jurisdiction in which the project is to be constructed and/or by the building designer (i.e., owner or RDP).
- 12.10 The actual design, suitability and use of this report for any particular building, is the responsibility of the owner or the authorized agent of the owner.

13 Identification

- 13.1 The innovative products listed in Section **1.1** and Section **1.2** are identified by a label on the board or packaging material bearing the manufacturer name, product name, this report number, and other information to confirm code compliance.
- 13.2 Additional technical information can be found at www.starbornindustries.com.

14 Review Schedule

- 14.1 This report is subject to periodic review and revision. For the latest version, visit drjcertification.org.
- 14.2 For information on the status of this report, please contact [DrJ Certification](#).

15 Approved for Use Pursuant to U.S. and International Legislation Defined in Appendix A

- 15.1 Starborn® Structural H23 and F23 Screws are included in this report published by an approved agency that is concerned with evaluation of products or services, maintains periodic inspection of the production of listed materials or periodic evaluation of services. This report states either that the material, product, or service meets recognized standards or has been tested and found suitable for a specified purpose. This report meets the legislative intent and definition of being acceptable to the AHJ.



Appendix A

1 Legislation that Authorizes AHJ Approval

- 1.1 **Fair Competition:** State legislatures have adopted Federal regulations for the examination and approval of building code referenced and alternative products, materials, designs, services, assemblies and/or methods of construction that:
 - 1.1.1 Advance Innovation,
 - 1.1.2 Promote competition so all businesses have the opportunity to compete on price and quality in an open market on a level playing field unhampered by anticompetitive constraints, and
 - 1.1.3 Benefit consumers through lower prices, better quality and greater choice.
- 1.2 **Adopted Legislation:** The following local, state and federal regulations affirmatively authorize these innovative products to be approved by AHJs, delegates of building departments and/or delegates of an agency of the federal government:
 - 1.2.1 Interstate commerce is governed by the Federal Department of Justice to encourage the use of innovative products, materials, designs, services, assemblies and/or methods of construction. The goal is to “protect economic freedom and opportunity by promoting free and fair competition in the marketplace.”
 - 1.2.2 Title 18 US Code Section 242 affirms and regulates the right of individuals and businesses to freely and fairly have new products, materials, designs, services, assemblies and/or methods of construction approved for use in commerce. Disapproval of alternatives shall be based upon non-conformance with respect to specific provisions of adopted legislation and shall be provided in writing stating the reasons why the alternative was not approved, with reference to the specific legislation violated.
 - 1.2.3 The federal government and each state have a public records act. In addition, each state also has legislation that mimics the federal Defend Trade Secrets Act 2016 (DTSA),^{xlii} where providing test reports, engineering analysis and/or other related IP/TS is subject to prison of not more than ten years^{xliii} and/or a \$5,000,000 fine or 3 times the value of^{xliv} the Intellectual Property (IP) and Trade Secrets (TS).
 - 1.2.3.1 Compliance with public records and trade secret legislation requires approval through the use of Listings, certified reports, Technical Evaluation Reports, duly authenticated reports and/or research reports prepared by approved agencies and/or approved sources.
 - 1.2.4 For new materials^{xlv} that are not specifically provided for in any regulation, the design strengths and permissible stresses shall be established by tests, where suitable load tests simulate the actual loads and conditions of application that occur.
 - 1.2.5 The design strengths and permissible stresses of any structural material shall conform to the specifications and methods of design using accepted engineering practice.^{xlvi}
 - 1.2.6 The commerce of approved sources (i.e., registered PEs) is regulated by professional engineering legislation. Professional engineering commerce shall always be approved by AHJs, except where there is evidence provided in writing, that specific legislation has been violated by an individual registered PE.
 - 1.2.7 The AHJ shall accept duly authenticated reports from approved agencies in respect to the quality and manner of use of new materials or assemblies as provided for in IBC Section 104.11.^{xlvii}

- 1.3 **Approved^{xlviii} by Los Angeles:** The Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC) states in pertinent part that the provisions of LAMC are not intended to prevent the use of any material, device, or method of construction not specifically prescribed by LAMC. The Department shall use Part III, Recognized Standards in addition to Part II, Uniform Building Code Standards of Division 35, Article 1, Chapter IX of the LAMC in evaluation of products for approval where such standard exists for the product or the material and may use other approved standards that apply. Whenever tests or certificates of any material or fabricated assembly are required by Chapter IX of the LAMC, such tests or certification shall be made by a testing agency approved by the Superintendent of Building to conduct such tests or provide such certifications. The testing agency shall publish the scope and limitation(s) of the listed material or fabricated assembly.^{xlix} The Superintendent of Building Approved Testing Agency Roster is provided by the Los Angeles Department of Building and Safety (LADBS). The Center for Building Innovation (CBI) Certificate of Approval License is TA24945. Tests and certifications found in a DrJ Listing are LAMC approved. In addition, the Superintendent of Building shall accept duly authenticated reports from approved agencies in respect to the quality and manner of use of new materials or assemblies as provided for in the California Building Code (CBC) Section 1707.1.^l
- 1.4 **Approved by Chicago:** The Municipal Code of Chicago (MCC) states in pertinent part that an Approved Agency is a Nationally Recognized Testing Laboratory (NRTL) acting within its recognized scope and/or a certification body accredited by the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) acting within its accredited scope. Construction materials and test procedures shall conform to the applicable standards listed in the MCC. Sufficient technical data shall be submitted to the building official to substantiate the proposed use of any product, material, service, design, assembly and/or method of construction not specifically provided for in the MCC. This technical data shall consist of research reports from approved sources (i.e., MCC defined Approved Agencies).
- 1.5 **Approved by New York City:** The 2022 NYC Building Code (NYCBC) states in part that an approved agency shall be deemed^{li} an approved testing agency via ISO/IEC 17025 accreditation, an approved inspection agency via ISO/IEC 17020 accreditation and an approved product evaluation agency via ISO/IEC 17065 accreditation. Accrediting agencies, other than federal agencies, must be members of an internationally recognized cooperation of laboratory and inspection accreditation bodies subject to a mutual recognition agreement^{lii} (i.e., ANAB, International Accreditation Forum (IAF), etc.).
- 1.6 **Approved by Florida:** Statewide approval of products, methods, or systems of construction shall be approved, without further evaluation by:
- 1.6.1 A certification mark or listing of an approved certification agency,
 - 1.6.2 A test report from an approved testing laboratory,
 - 1.6.3 A product evaluation report based upon testing or comparative or rational analysis, or a combination thereof, from an approved product evaluation entity, or
 - 1.6.4 A product evaluation report based upon testing, comparative or rational analysis, or a combination thereof, developed, signed and sealed by a professional engineer or architect, licensed in Florida.
- 1.7 For local product approval, products or systems of construction shall demonstrate compliance with the structural wind load requirements of the Florida Building Code (FBC) through one of the following methods;
- 1.7.1 A certification mark, listing or label from a commission-approved certification agency indicating that the product complies with the code,
 - 1.7.2 A test report from a commission-approved testing laboratory indicating that the product tested complies with the code,
 - 1.7.3 A product-evaluation report based upon testing, comparative or rational analysis, or a combination thereof, from a commission-approved product evaluation entity which indicates that the product evaluated complies with the code,
 - 1.7.4 A product-evaluation report or certification based upon testing or comparative or rational analysis, or a combination thereof, developed and signed and sealed by a Florida professional engineer or Florida registered architect, which indicates that the product complies with the code, or



- 1.7.5 A statewide product approval issued by the Florida Building Commission.
- 1.8 The Florida Department of Business and Professional Regulation (DBPR) website provides a listing of companies certified as a Product Evaluation Agency (i.e., EVLMiami 13692), a Product Certification Agency (i.e., CER10642) and as a Florida Registered Engineer (i.e., ANE13741).
- 1.9 **Approved by Miami-Dade County (i.e., Notice of Acceptance [NOA]):** A Florida statewide approval is an NOA. An NOA is a Florida local product approval. By Florida law, Miami-Dade County shall accept the statewide and local Florida Product Approval as provided for in Florida legislation 553.842 and 553.8425.
- 1.10 **Approved by New Jersey:** Pursuant to the 2018 Building Code of New Jersey in IBC Section 1707.1 General,^{liii} it states: *"In the absence of approved rules or other approved standards, the building official shall accept duly authenticated reports from approved agencies in respect to the quality and manner of use of new materials or assemblies as provided for in the administrative provisions of the Uniform Construction Code (N.J.A.C. 5:23)"*.^{liv} Furthermore N.J.A.C 5:23-3.7 states: *"Municipal approvals of alternative materials, equipment, or methods of construction."*
- 1.10.1 **Approvals:** Alternative materials, equipment, or methods of construction shall be approved by the appropriate subcode official provided the proposed design is satisfactory and that the materials, equipment, or methods of construction are suitable for the intended use and are at least the equivalent in quality, strength, effectiveness, fire resistance, durability and safety of those conforming with the requirements of the regulations.
- 1.10.1.1 A field evaluation label and report or letter issued by a nationally recognized testing laboratory verifying that the specific material, equipment, or method of construction meets the identified standards or has been tested and found to be suitable for the intended use, shall be accepted by the appropriate subcode official as meeting the requirements of the above.
- 1.10.1.2 Reports of engineering findings issued by nationally recognized evaluation service programs such as but not limited to, the Building Officials and Code Administrators (BOCA), the International Conference of Building Officials (ICBO), the Southern Building Code Congress International (SBCCI), the International Code Council (ICC) and the National Evaluation Service, Inc., shall be accepted by the appropriate subcode official as meeting the requirements of the above.
- 1.10.2 The New Jersey Department of Community Affairs has confirmed that technical evaluation reports, from any accredited entity listed by ANAB, meets the requirements of item the previous paragraph, given that the listed entities are no longer in existence and/or do not provide *"reports of engineering findings"*.
- 1.11 **Approved by the Code of Federal Regulations Manufactured Home Construction and Safety Standards:** Pursuant to Title 24, Subtitle B, Chapter XX, Part 3282.14,^{lv} and Part 3280,^{lvi} the Department encourages innovation and the use of new technology in manufactured homes. The design and construction of a manufactured home shall conform to the provisions of Part 3282 and Part 3280 where key approval provisions in mandatory language follow:
- 1.11.1 *"All construction methods shall be in conformance with accepted engineering practices"*
- 1.11.2 *"The strength and rigidity of the component parts and/or the integrated structure shall be determined by engineering analysis or by suitable load tests to simulate the actual loads and conditions of application that occur."*
- 1.11.3 *"The design stresses of all materials shall conform to accepted engineering practice."*



- 1.12 **Approval by US, Local and State Jurisdictions in General:** In all other local and state jurisdictions, the adopted building code legislation states in pertinent part that:
- 1.12.1 For new materials that are not specifically provided for in this code, the design strengths and permissible stresses shall be established by tests.^{lvii}
 - 1.12.2 For innovative alternatives and/or methods of construction, the building official shall accept duly authenticated reports from approved agencies with respect to the quality and manner of use of new materials or assemblies.^{lviii}
 - 1.12.2.1 An approved agency is “approved” when it is ANAB ISO/IEC 17065 accredited. DrJ Engineering, LLC (DrJ) is in the ANAB directory.
 - 1.12.2.2 An approved source is “approved” when an RDP is properly licensed to transact engineering commerce. The regulatory authority governing approved sources is the state legislature via its professional engineering regulations.^{lix}
 - 1.12.3 The design strengths and permissible stresses of any structural material...shall conform to the specifications and methods of design of accepted engineering practice performed by an approved source.^{lx}
- 1.13 **Approval by International Jurisdictions:** The USMCA and GATT agreements provide for approval of innovative materials, designs, services and/or methods of construction through the Agreement on Technical Barriers to Trade and the IAF Multilateral Recognition Arrangement (MLA), where these agreements:
- 1.13.1 State that conformity assessment procedures (i.e., ISO/IEC 17020, 17025, 17065, etc.) are prepared, adopted and applied so as to grant access for suppliers of like products originating in the territories of other Members under conditions no less favourable than those accorded to suppliers of like products of national origin or originating in any other country, in a comparable situation.
 - 1.13.2 **Approved:** The purpose of the MLA is to ensure mutual recognition of accredited certification and validation/verification statements between signatories to the MLA and subsequently, acceptance of accredited certification and validation/verification statements in many markets based on one accreditation for the timely approval of innovative materials, designs, services and/or methods of construction.
 - 1.13.3 ANAB is an IAF-MLA signatory where recognition of certificates, validation and verification statements issued by conformity assessment bodies accredited by all other signatories of the IAF MLA, with the appropriate scope, shall be approved.^{lxi}
 - 1.13.4 Therefore, all ANAB ISO/IEC 17065 Duly Authenticated Reports are approval equivalent.^{lxii}
- 1.14 Approval equity is a fundamental commercial and legal principle.^{lxiii}

Appendix B

Code Requirements for Ledger Attachments

For guidance on designing the connection of the deck ledger to trusses where a band joist is not used, see SBCA's Tech Note, *Attachment of Residential Deck Ledger to Metal Pate Connected Wood Truss Floor System*.

1.0 IRC Section R507.8^{lxiv} contains the following code requirements (IBC Section 1604.8.3 is similar):

1.0.1 Where supported by attachment to an exterior wall, decks shall be positively anchored to the primary structure and designed for both vertical and lateral loads.

1.0.1.1 Attachment shall not be accomplished by the use of toenails or nails subject to withdrawal.

1.1 IRC Section R507.9.1^{lxv} details how vertical loads shall be transferred to band joists with ledgers:

1.1.1 IRC Section R507.9.1.1^{lxvi}:

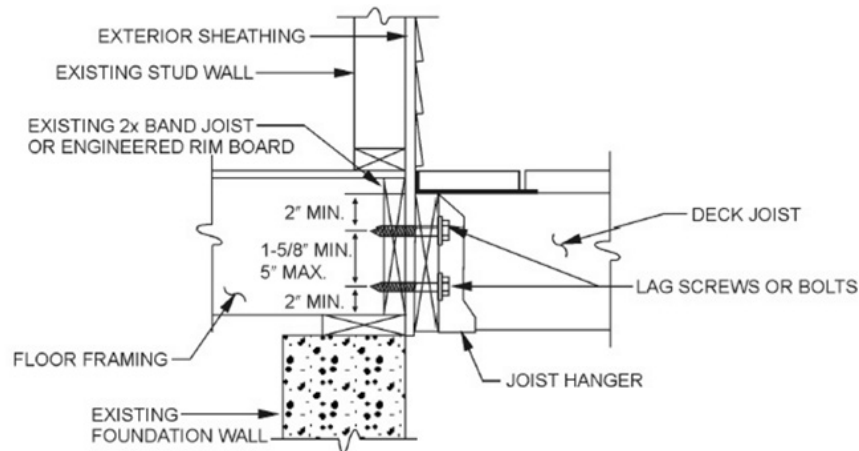
Deck ledgers shall be a minimum 2-inch by 8-inch (51 mm by 203 mm) nominal, pressure-preservative-treated Southern pine, incised pressure-preservative-treated hem-fir, or approved, naturally durable, No. 2 grade or better lumber...

1.1.2 IRC Section R507.9.1.2^{lxvii}:

Band joists supporting a ledger shall be a minimum 2-inch-nominal (51 mm), spruce-pine-fir or better lumber or a minimum 1-inch (25 mm) nominal engineered wood rim boards in accordance with Section R502.1.7. Band joists shall bear fully on the primary structure capable of supporting all required loads.

1.1.3 IRC Section R507.9.1.3^{lxviii}:

Fasteners used in deck ledger connections in accordance with Table R507.9.1.3(1) shall be hot-dipped galvanized or stainless steel and shall be installed in accordance with Table R507.9.1.3(2) and Figures R507.9.1.3(1) and R507.9.1.3(2).



For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm.

Figure 13. IRC Figure R507.9.1.3(2): Placement of Lag Screws and Bolts in Band Joists

1.1.4 IRC Table R507.9.1.3(1) and Table R507.9.1.3(2)^{ix} cover the placement of lag screws or bolts in deck ledgers:

The tip of the lag screw shall fully extend beyond the inside face of the band joist.

Lag screws or bolts shall be staggered from the top to the bottom along the horizontal run of the deck ledger in accordance with Figure R507.9.1.3(1).

The minimum distance from bottom row of lag screws or bolts to the top edge of the ledger shall be in accordance with Figure R507.9.1.3(1).

CONNECTION DETAILS	JOIST SPAN						
	6' and less	6'1" to 8'	8'1" to 10'	10'1" to 12'	12'1" to 14'	14'1" to 16'	16'1" to 18'
	On-center spacing of fasteners						
1/2-inch diameter lag screw with 1/2-inch maximum sheathing ^{c, d}	30	23	18	15	13	11	10
1/2-inch diameter bolt with 1/2-inch maximum sheathing ^d	36	36	34	29	24	21	19
1/2-inch diameter bolt with 1-inch maximum sheathing ^e	36	36	29	24	21	18	16

For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm, 1 foot = 304.8 mm, 1 pound per square foot = 0.0479 kPa.

- Ledgers shall be flashed in accordance with Section R703.4 to prevent water from contacting the house band joist.
- Snow load shall not be assumed to act concurrently with live load.
- The tip of the lag screw shall fully extend beyond the inside face of the band joist.
- Sheathing shall be wood structural panel or solid sawn lumber.
- Sheathing shall be permitted to be wood structural panel, gypsum board, fiberboard, lumber or foam sheathing. Up to 1/2-inch thickness of stacked washers shall be permitted to substitute for up to 1/2 inch of allowable sheathing thickness where combined with wood structural panel or lumber sheathing.

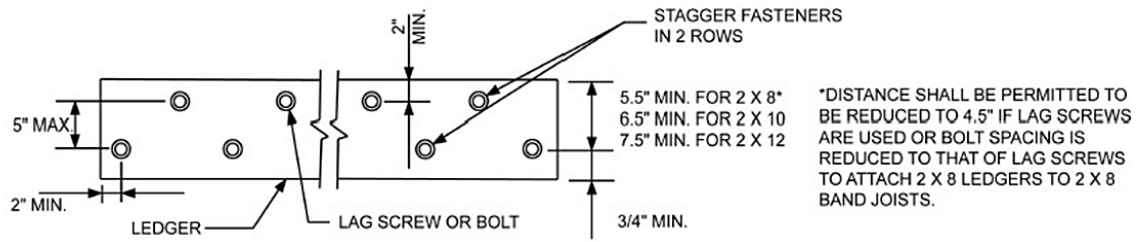
Figure 14. Table R507.9.1.3(1): Deck Ledger Connection to Band Joist_{A,B}
(Deck live load = 40 psf, deck dead load = 10 psf, snow load ≤ 40 psf)

MINIMUM END AND EDGE DISTANCES AND SPACING BETWEEN ROWS				
	TOP EDGE	BOTTOM EDGE	ENDS	ROW SPACING
Ledger ^a	2 inches ^d	3/4 inch	2 inches ^b	1 5/8 inches ^b
Band Joist ^c	3/4 inch	2 inches	2 inches ^b	1 5/8 inches ^b

For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm.

- Lag screws or bolts shall be staggered from the top to the bottom along the horizontal run of the deck ledger in accordance with Figure R507.9.1.3(1).
- Maximum 5 inches.
- For engineered rim joists, the manufacturer's recommendations shall govern.
- The minimum distance from bottom row of lag screws or bolts to the top edge of the ledger shall be in accordance with Figure R507.9.1.3(1).

Figure 15. Table R507.9.1.3(2): Placement of Lag Screws and Bolts in Deck Ledgers and Band Joists



For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm.

Figure 16. Figure IRC R507.9.1.3(1): Placement of Lag Screws and Bolts in Ledgers

Appendix C

Testing Procedure and Methodology

- 1.0 To determine the strength and load-deflection performance of the fasteners in a ledger connection, a two-joist assembly with connection of a ledger to a band joist was created. Load was applied to the joists, which transferred load to the ledger via hangers. String potentiometers were placed along the bottom of the ledger to measure vertical deflection during the test, while a load cell attached to an actuator-measured load applied. The band joist was fixed to prevent deflection and rotation during the test. To limit the variability, the comparison product was tested simultaneously with the Starborn® Structural H23 and F23 screws with ledgers and band joists cut congruently from the same piece of lumber. Immediately after testing, a section was cut near each fastener location to determine the moisture content and oven-dry specific gravity of each piece of lumber.
- 1.1 The performance of the code defined lag screw connection was then compared to the performance of the Starborn® Structural H23 and F23 screws in the ledger application built per the code requirements.
 - 1.1.1 Testing was undertaken to directly compare fastener performance using matched lumber specimen testing where the Starborn® Structural H23 and F23 screw was tested side by side with $\frac{1}{2}$ " diameter lag screws (see **Figure C-1** and **Figure C-2**).

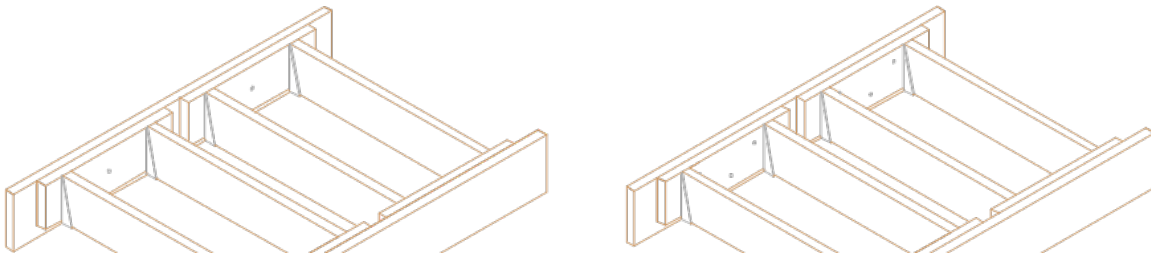


Figure 17. Single & Three-Fastener Setups



Figure 18. Matched Lumber Specimen Testing of Starborn® Structural H23 and F23 Screws and $\frac{1}{2}$ " Lag Screw



- 1.1.2 The testing and resulting analysis define comparative performance and the design parameters required for the Starborn® Structural H23 and F23 screws to be considered an equivalent alternative to the specified fasteners required by the building code in accordance with the provisions of IBC Section 104.11 and IRC Section R104.11.



Notes

- For more information, visit [drjcertification.org](#) or call us at 608-310-6748.
- See IBC Section 104.11 and IRC Section R104.11.
- <https://up.codes/viewer/wyoming/ibc-2021/chapter/17/special-inspections-and-tests#1702>
- Alternative Materials, Design and Methods of Construction and Equipment: The provisions of any regulation code are not intended to prevent the installation of any material or to prohibit any design or method of construction not specifically prescribed by a regulation. Please review <https://www.justice.gov/atr/mission> and <https://up.codes/viewer/colorado/ibc-2021/chapter/1/scope-and-administration#104.11>
- <https://up.codes/viewer/wyoming/ibc-2021/chapter/17/special-inspections-and-tests#1706>:~:text=the%20design%20strengths%20and%20permissible%20stresses%20shall%20be%20established%20by%20tests%20as
- The design strengths and permissible stresses of any structural material shall conform to the specifications and methods of design of accepted engineering practice. <https://up.codes/viewer/wyoming/ibc-2021/chapter/17/special-inspections-and-tests#1706>:~:text=shall%20conform%20to%20the%20specifications%20and%20methods%20of%20design%20of%20accepted%20engineering%20practice
- <https://up.codes/viewer/wyoming/ibc-2021/chapter/17/special-inspections-and-tests#1707.1>:~:text=the%20building%20official%20shall%20accept%20duly%20authenticated%20reports%20from%20approved%20agencies
- <https://up.codes/viewer/wyoming/ibc-2021/chapter/17/special-inspections-and-tests#1703.4.2>
- https://up.codes/viewer/wyoming/ibc-2021/chapter/2/definitions#approved_agency
- https://up.codes/viewer/wyoming/ibc-2021/chapter/2/definitions#approved_source
- <https://www.law.cornell.edu/uscode/text/18/1832> (b) Any organization that commits any offense described in subsection (a) shall be fined not more than the greater of \$5,000,000 or 3 times the value of the stolen trade secret to the organization, including expenses for research and design and other costs of reproducing the trade secret that the organization has thereby avoided. The federal government and each state have a public records act. To follow DTSA and comply state public records and trade secret legislation requires approval through ANAB ISO/IEC 17065 accredited certification bodies or approved sources. For more information, please review this website: [Intellectual Property and Trade Secrets](#).
- <https://www.nspe.org/resources/issues-and-advocacy/professional-policies-and-position-statements/regulation-professional> AND <https://apassociation.org/list-of-engineering-boards-in-each-state-archive/>
- <https://www.cbitec.com/accreditation/>
- <https://up.codes/viewer/colorado/ibc-2021/chapter/1/scope-and-administration#104>:~:text=to%20enforce%20the%20provisions%20of%20this%20code
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- <https://up.codes/viewer/colorado/ibc-2021/chapter/17/special-inspections-and-tests#1707.1>:~:text=the%20building%20official%20shall%20accept%20duly%20authenticated%20reports%20from%20approved%20agencies%20in%20respect%20to%20the%20quality%20and%20manner%20of%20use%20of%20new%20materials%20or%20assemblies%20as%20provided%20for%20in%20Section%20104.11
- <https://iaf.nu/en/about-iaf-mla/#>:~:text=it%20is%20required%20to%20recognise%20certificates%20and%20validation%20and%20verification%20statements%20issued%20by%20conformity%20assessment%20bodies%20accredited%20by%20all%20other%20signatories%20of%20the%20IAF%20MLA%2C%20with%20the%20appropriate%20scope
- True for all ANAB accredited product evaluation agencies and all International Trade Agreements.
- <https://www.justice.gov/crt/deprivation-rights-under-color-law> AND <https://www.justice.gov/atr/mission>
- Unless otherwise noted, all references in this report are from the 2021 version of the codes and the standards referenced therein. This material, product, design, service and/or method of construction also complies with the 2000-2021 versions of the referenced codes and the standards referenced therein.
- <https://www.ecfr.gov/current/title-24/subtitle-B/chapter-XX/part-3280#p-3280.2>(Listed%20or%20certified); <https://up.codes/viewer/colorado/ibc-2021/chapter/2/definitions#listed> AND <https://up.codes/viewer/colorado/ibc-2021/chapter/2/definitions#labeled>
- 2015 IRC Section R507.2
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able%2C%20and%20safe%20housing%20and%20shall%20demonstrate%20acceptable%20workmanship%20reflecting%20journeyman%20quality%20of%20work%20of%20the%20various%20trades

xxxxii <https://www.ecfr.gov/current/title-24/subtitle-B/chapter-XX/part-3280#:~:text=The%20strength%20and%20rigidity%20of%20the%20component%20parts%20and/or%20the%20integrated%20structure%20shall%20be%20determined%20by%20engineering%20analysis%20or%20by%20suitable%20load%20tests%20to%20simulate%20the%20actual%20loads%20and%20conditions%20of%20application%20that%20occur>

xxxxiii The term “band joist” is used throughout this report. Other regionally used terms that are synonymous with band joist include rim board, band board, header board, and header joist.

xxxxiv [2015 IRC Section 507.2](#)

xxxxv Qualification is performed by a legislatively defined Accreditation Body. [ANSI National Accreditation Board \(ANAB\)](#) is the largest independent accreditation body in North America and provides services in more than 75 countries. [DrJ](#) is an ANAB accredited product certification body.

xxxxvi See Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) [Title 24 Subtitle B Chapter XX Part 3280](#) for definition.

xxxxvii [2015 IRC Section 507.2](#)

xxxxviii [2018 IFC Section 104.9](#)

xxxxix Approved is an adjective that modifies the noun after it. For example, Approved Agency means that the Agency is accepted officially as being suitable in a particular situation. This example conforms to IBC/IRC/IFC [Section 201.4](#) where the building code authorizes sentences to have an ordinarily accepted meaning such as the context implies.

xi <https://up.codes/viewer/wyoming/ibc-2021/chapter/17/special-inspections-and-tests#1707.1>

xii Multilateral approval is true for all ANAB accredited product evaluation agencies and all International Trade Agreements.

xiii <http://www.drjengineering.org/AppendixC> AND <https://www.drjcertification.org/cornell-2016-protection-trade-secrets>

xiiii <https://www.law.cornell.edu/uscode/text/18/1832#:~:text=imprisoned%20not%20more%20than%2010%20years>

xv <https://www.law.cornell.edu/uscode/text/18/1832#:~:text=Any%20organization%20that,has%20thereby%20avoided>

xvi <https://up.codes/viewer/wyoming/ibc-2021/chapter/17/special-inspections-and-tests#1706.2>

xvii IBC 2021, Section 1706.1 Conformance to Standards

xviii IBC 2021, Section 1707 Alternative Test Procedure, 1707.1 General

xix See Section 11.6 for the distilled building code definition of Approved.

xx [Los Angeles Municipal Code, SEC. 98.0503. TESTING AGENCIES](#)

i <https://up.codes/viewer/california/ca-building-code-2022/chapter/17/special-inspections-and-tests#1707.1>

ii New York City, The Rules of the City of New York, § 101-07 Approved Agencies

iii New York City, The Rules of the City of New York, § 101-07 Approved Agencies

iiii <https://up.codes/viewer/new-jersey/ibc-2018/chapter/17/special-inspections-and-tests#1707.1>

lv <https://www.nj.gov/dca/divisions/codes/codereg/ucc.html>

lv <https://www.ecfr.gov/current/title-24/subtitle-B/chapter-XX/part-3282/subpart-A/section-3282.14>

lvi <https://www.ecfr.gov/current/title-24/subtitle-B/chapter-XX/part-3280>

lvii IBC 2021, Section 1706 Design Strengths of Materials, 1706.2 New Materials. Adopted law pursuant to IBC model code language 1706.2.

lviii IBC 2021, Section 1707 Alternative Test Procedure, 1707.1 General. Adopted law pursuant to IBC model code language 1707.1.

lix <https://www.nspe.org/resources/issues-and-advocacy/professional-policies-and-position-statements/regulation-professional> AND <https://apassociation.org/list-of-engineering-boards-in-each-state-archive/>

lx IBC 2021, Section 1706 Design Strengths of Materials, Section 1706.1 Conformance to Standards Adopted law pursuant to IBC model code language 1706.1.

lxi <https://iaf.eu/en/about-iaf-mla/#:~:text=it%20is%20required%20to%20recognise%20certificates%20and%20validation%20and%20verification%20statements%20issued%20by%20conformity%20assessment%20bodies%20accredited%20by%20all%20other%20signatories%20of%20the%20IAF%20MLA%2C%20with%20the%20appropriate%20scope>

lxii True for all ANAB accredited product evaluation agencies and all International Trade Agreements.

lxiii <https://www.justice.gov/crt/deprivation-rights-under-color-law> AND <https://www.justice.gov/atr/mission>

lxiv [2015 IRC Section R507.1](#)

lxv [2015 IRC Section R507.2.1](#)

lxvi [2015 IRC Section R507.2.1](#)

lxvii [2015 IRC Section R507.2.2](#)

lxviii [2015 IRC Section R507.2.3](#)

lxix [2015 IRC Table R507.2.1](#)