

DIVISION 10 – SPECIALTIES

Section 10000 - General Discussion

Introduction

The products specified in Division 10 are the pieces and parts that make up the finishing touches of a project. In many cases they make the room or spaces functional. High quality, serviceability, maintainability and extended product life are the needs upon which this Section is developed. In some cases, qualitative standards are cited for an item(s) and in others, specific product names and manufacturers are cited. When the product or item is cited by name, it is the intention that the name/item(s) be incorporated into the project. In such cases the University maintain “in-house” expertise, parts and maintenance stock to service the item. Further, it is in the best interest of the University to have consistency if only from the standpoint of the sheer logistics of maintaining and supplying its many buildings.

The consultant should select from the range of products and review and coordinate with the Project Manager and Users to determine any special requirements or features for the project.

Chalkboards, Markerboards, and Tackboards

These items, as specified, conform to the University Classroom Design Standards. They are fairly standard and should be specified, sized, selected and customized based on User need and preferences.

Toilet Partitions

Solid Plastic (HDPE) toilet partitions are the product of choice for the University. These have proven to be the most vandal resistant, repairable and serviceable of all the products now in use on campus. There may be instances where stainless steel or other materials may be considered, with approval of the University. Plastic laminate clad wood or particleboard shall not be specified or used.

Corner Guards

Corner guards are a practical solution to a major problem in high use public areas and corridors, in particular where cart and rolling traffic is present. The selected product should be carefully considered and attention to detailing at the tops (where a radius may meet a ceiling grid or wainscot) and bottoms (where base materials may wrap or butt). Termination of wall coverings at corner guards should also be studied and detailed. Color of materials must also be considered for match or contrast with adjacent surfaces.

Signage and Graphics

Generally, interior room signage is detailed, fabricated and installed by the University with coordination with the Design Professional. Establish and coordinate Official University room numbering early in the design process. Because it will be viewed by the campus community, exterior signage and graphics must follow established University policies.

Letters and Plaques

Location of letters, building name and address shall be coordinated with the Project Manager. Recently, building identification has been accomplished with free standing signage. If letters are provided, size shall be at least 8". Style of letters shall be reviewed by Project Manager.

Directories and Bulletin Boards

Design should complement the building. Size and location of directory and bulletin board should be coordinated with the User and the Project Manager. Adequate sizes shall be established to allow for building growth and sufficient sets of letters shall be provided with the units. Size of letters and tactile marking to comply with ADA requirements shall be considered by the Consultant. Units must be of vandal proof construction. For ease of updating, electronic touch screen or digital static directories are becoming more common at the University and are replacing traditional static directories.

Fire Protection Devices

Fire extinguishers will be provided and installed as a part of the construction contract. In existing buildings match the type of installation with the existing building. Brand shall be Amerex, selected as appropriate for the class of equipment being served. Locations shall be shown on the drawings per the requirements of the currently UofA adopted NFPA 10. Locations and agent type shall be confirmed with the UofA Fire Safety and Fire Prevention

teams. Coordinate locations of AED cabinets with U of A Environmental Health & Safety.

Toilet Accessories

Occasionally requirements will vary depending upon whether the project is located on the Main Campus, AHSC, or within a Residence Life Facility. Verify with Project Manager of specifics.

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