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# Submittal Requirements for Product Evaluation Skylights and Tubular Daylight Devices

The information and product requirements requested below will be used by the Texas Department of Insurance (TDI) to develop a product evaluation report for use in the designated catastrophe areas along the Texas Gulf Coast.

**Unit Skylights:** A factory assembled, glazed fenestration unit, containing one panel of glazing material that allows for natural lighting through an opening in the roof assembly while preserving the weather-resistant barrier of the roof

**Tubular Daylight Device (TDD):** A non-operable fenestration unit primarily designed to transmit daylight from a roof surface to an interior space via a tubular conduit. The basic unit consists of an exterior glazed weathering surface, a light- transmitting tube with a reflective interior surface, and an interior-sealing device such as a translucent diffusing panel.

#### 1.0 Building Code Requirements for Products

- 1.1 Products will be evaluated by TDI in accordance with the wind load criteria of Chapter 3 of the 2018 International Residential Code (IRC); the wind load criteria of Chapter 16 of the 2018 International Building Code (IBC); test standards and performance criteria specified in the IRC and the IBC; and nationally recognized test standards or procedures.
- 1.2 **Basic Design Wind Speed Requirements:** The basic windspeed requirements for the windstorm program area are as defined in the IRC and the IBC. Contact TDI for more information regarding the basic wind speed requirements.
- 1.3 Design Pressure Requirements: Refer to Chapter 3 of the IRC or to ASCE 7-16 for design wind pressure requirements based on the basic wind speeds that are required for the TDI windstorm program area. The manufacturer should consider that different Exposure conditions can occur for all structures that are located within the TDI windstorm program area. Contact TDI for more information regarding design pressure requirements.
- 1.4 **Windborne Debris Requirements**: Protection from windborne debris is a requirement within the TDI windstorm program area. NOTE: It is not a requirement that the product be impact resistant in order for the TDI to develop an evaluation report for the product. Contact TDI for specific windborne debris requirements for the TDI windstorm program area.

# 2.0 Product Applicability and Limitations of Evaluation Report

2.1 Evaluation of a product does not constitute approval of the product for use on all structures. The design pressure rating of the product (as reported in the TDI evaluation report) must exceed the required design pressure required for the specific structure. In addition, the windborne debris resistance rating for the product (as reported in the TDI evaluation report) must comply with the required windborne debris criteria for the specific structure.

2.2 TDI will develop the product evaluation report based on the way the product was tested. This includes the attachment of the product to the test buck and the material used for the test buck. NOTE: Products should be tested as they would be installed in the field. Products should be tested with a test buck or framing utilizing common framing materials and be attached to the test buck or framing with readily available, commonly used fasteners.

## 3.0 Testing and Test Reports

- 3.1 **Testing Facility**: Test reports must be developed by testing facilities that comply with one of the following:
  - 3.1.1 The test facility must be either UL (Underwriters Laboratories) or FM (Factory Mutual);
  - 3.1.2 The test facility must be recognized by the International Code Council Evaluation Service (ICC-ES) as specified in ICC-ES Acceptance Criteria AC85;
  - 3.1.3 The test facility must be accredited by either AAMA or WDMA;
  - 3.1.4 The test facility must be recognized by Miami-Dade County, Florida; or
  - 3.1.5 The test facility must be accepted by TDI. TDI will accept test facilities that are accredited as complying with ISO/IEC Standard 17025 by the International Accreditation Service (IAS) or by any other accreditation body recognized by the International Laboratory Accreditation Cooperative (ILAC) Mutual Recognition Agreement (MRA). The scope of the accreditation must include the type of testing covered in the submitted test reports.

**Manufacturer's Test Facility:** If the manufacturer performs in-house testing, then the manufacturer must have the testing conducted under the supervision of an independent testing facility that qualifies under Sections 3.1.1 through 3.1.5. The test report must be prepared by and issued by the supervising party.

TDI reserves the right to request that the testing facility provide documentation to verify compliance with Sections 3.1.1 through 3.1.5.

3.2 **AAMA/WDMA/CSA 101/I.S.2/A440:** Unit skylights and TDD must be tested and bear a label from an inspection agency indicating compliance with AAMA/WDMA/CSA 101/I.S.2/A440 and include product designation as specified in Chapter 24 of the IBC.

**Exception:** Skylight assemblies fabricated in a factory and assembled and glazed at the jobsite must be tested in accordance with either ASTM E 330 or TAS 202. Such skylights must bear a label produced by the product manufacturer. The label must include: (1) the name of the product, (2) the name of the product manufacturer; (3) a statement indicating the design pressure rating and allowable dimensions of the assembly are as specified in Drawing XXX (XXX is the drawing no.); and (4) compliance with either ASTM E 330-14 or TAS 202-94.

3.3 **Windborne Debris Testing**: In addition to the requirements in Section 4.2, unit skylights and TDD tested for windborne debris must also be tested to ASTM E 1886 and ASTM E 1996 or AAMA 506. In addition to the requirements in Section 3.2, the inspection agency label must also indicate compliance with either AAMA 506 or ASTM E 1886-13a and ASTM E 1996-14a and indicate the Missile Level and cyclic pressure rating.

**Exception:** In addition to the test requirements of the Exception from Section 4.2, skylights assemblies fabricated in a factory and assembled and glazed at the jobsite must be tested in accordance with either ASTM E 1886 and ASTM E 1996 or TAS 201 an TAS 203. In addition to the labeling requirements of the Exception from Section 3.2, the label must also indicate compliance with ASTM E 1886-13a and ASTM E 1996-14a and the Missile Level or TAS 201 and TAS 203 and either 'Large Missile Rated or 'Small Missile Rated.'

## 4.0 Substantiating Information

The following information must be included as part of the submittal package for each product to be listed:

4.1 **Test Reports.** Copies of test reports in accordance with AAMA/WDMA/CSA 101/I.S.2/A440 (or ASTM E 330 or TAS 202 for site assembled skylights).

Copies of test report in accordance with either AAMA 506 or ASTM E 1886 and ASTM E 1996 (or TAS-201 and TAS-203 for site-assembled windows). Note: Information required for windborne debris resistant products.

- 4.2 **Lab Stamped Drawings.** Copies that reference the test report numbers
- 4.3 **Label.** Copy of the label that will be applied to the unit skylight or TDD. The label must be in accordance with Chapter 6 of the IRC or Chapter 17 of IBC. The label must be from an inspection agency (AAMA, WDMA, NAMI, or Keystone). The information on the label will be referenced in the TDI product evaluation report. Provide one copy.

**Exception.** For skylights that are fabricated in a factory and assembled and glazed at the jobsite as noted in the Exception from Sections 3.2 and 3.3, a manufacturer-produced label must be provided. The labels must contain the information required in the Exception from Sections 3.2 and 3.3. Provide one copy.

- 4.4 **Certification Documents.** For unit skylights and TDD listed with an inspection agency (AAMA, WDMA, Keystone, or NAMI), provide a copy of the certification document from the inspection agency for the tested products. Examples include the following:
  - Authorization for Product Certification (AAMA)
  - Notice of Product Certification (NAMI)
  - o Hallmark Certificate of Conformance and License (CCL) (WDMA)
  - Certification Authorization Report (CAR) (Keystone)

**NOTE:** The certification agency label provided must match the criteria specified on the certification document.

- 4.5 **Design Drawings (Required for Site-Assembled Skylights):** Provide one copy. The design drawings must include a title block with the drawing number, name of the product, name and address of the manufacturer, the date of the drawing, and the revision date(s) if applicable), overall dimensions of the assemblies, dimensions for the glazed openings, design pressure ratings, glazing construction details, component details, substrate requirements, installation requirements. The design drawings must reference compliance with the 2018 IRC and the 2018 IBC. The design drawings must be signed, sealed, and dated by a Texas licensed professional engineer. TDI will reference the design drawings in the evaluation report and will post the drawings on the TDI website with the product evaluation report
- 4.6 **Curb Mounted Skylights**. If the skylight is mounted to a curb, then one of the following options must be used:

**Option 1 (Mounting Requirements not Provided).** The evaluation report installation instructions will indicate the material for the curb that the skylight frame must be mounted to. The evaluation report will state that the design of the curb and the attachment of the curb to the structure must be determined by a Texas licensed professional engineer.

**Option 2 (Mounting Requirements Provided)**. The evaluation report will specify the construction of the curb, the attachment method for securing the curb to the structure, and the attachment of the skylight to the curb. The requirements for the design of the curb and the attachment of the curb to the structure must be submitted. The analysis must be sign, sealed, and dated by a Texas licensed professional engineer. Provide one copy.

#### 5.0 Expiration and Renewal of Evaluation Reports

- 5.1 Products Certified Through an Inspection agency (AAMA, WDMA, NAMI, or Keystone)
  - Certification of the product by the inspection agency must be current.
  - TDI will utilize a test report as long as the test report is current, the test standards that the product was tested to have not changed, the test standards for the product required by the building specifications adopted by TDI have not changed, the product specified in the test report has not changed and, the product is certified by the inspection agency.
  - TDI reserves the right to request verification from the product manufacturer that the product specified in the test report has not changed.
  - If the test report indicates an expiration date and the test report is expired, then the test report must be revised to either (1) remove the expiration date, (2) change the expiration date, or (3) add a record retention date.
  - If the test report indicates an expiration date and the test report is within six months of expiring, then TDI reserves the right to request that the test report be revised to either (1) remove the expiration date, (2) change the expiration date, or (3) add a record retention date.
  - For an initial product evaluation, if the test report does not indicate an expiration date or if it
    specifies a record retention date, then TDI reserves the right to refuse to utilize the test report if

- the test laboratory is not able to provide information relative to the testing of the product specified in the test report.
- For the renewal of an existing product evaluation, if the test report does not indicate an expiration date or if it specifies a record retention date, then TDI may continue to utilize the test report if no changes have occurred in the product.
- The evaluation report will subject to re-evaluation four years from the effective date of the evaluation report or when the certification from the inspection agency (AAMA, WDMA, NAMI, or Keystone) of the products listed in the evaluation report expire, whichever is less time.
- The evaluation report will indicate the month and year of the re-evaluation date.
- 5.2 Products Not Certified Through an Inspection Agency (An Option That Applies to Skylights and TDD not within the Scope of AAMA/WDMA/CSA 101/I.S.2/A440)
  - TDI will utilize a test report as long as the test report is current, the test standards that the product
    was tested to have not changed, the test standards for the product required by the building
    specifications adopted by TDI have not changed and, the product specified in the test report has
    not changed.
  - TDI reserves the right to request verification from the product manufacturer that the product specified in the test report has not changed.
  - If the test report indicates an expiration date and the test report is expired, then the test report must be revised to either (1) remove the expiration date, (2) change the expiration date, or (3) add a record retention date.
  - If the test report indicates an expiration date and the test report is within six months of expiring, then TDI reserves the right to request that the test report be revised to either (1) remove the expiration date, (2) change the expiration date, or (3) add a record retention date.
  - For an initial product evaluation, if the test report does not indicate an expiration date or if it specifies a record retention date, then TDI reserves the right to refuse to utilize the test report if the test laboratory is not able to provide information relative to the testing of the product specified in the test report.
  - For the renewal of an existing product evaluation, if the test report does not indicate an expiration date or if it specifies a record retention date, then TDI may continue to utilize the test report if no changes have occurred in the product.
  - The evaluation report will be subject to re-evaluation a maximum of four years from the effective date of the evaluation report. The re-evaluation date in the evaluation report could be less than four years from the effective date of the evaluation report if the test report has an expiration date that is less than four years from the effective date of the evaluation report.
  - The evaluation report will indicate the month and year of the re-evaluation date.