



SECTION 23 07 13 - INSULATION

PART 1 - GENERAL

1.1 RELATED DOCUMENTS

- A. The general provisions of the Contract, including the Conditions of the Contract (General, Supplementary, and other Conditions) and Division 00 and 01 as appropriate, apply to the Work specified in this Section.
- B. Refer to all Sections, as well as the Specifications for the other various trades and materials and be thoroughly familiar with all provisions regarding all work.

1.2 SCOPE OF WORK

- A. Extent of mechanical insulation required by this section is indicated on drawings and schedules, and by requirements of this section.
- B. This Section includes:
 - 1. Piping insulation including fittings and valves.
 - 2. Duct insulation (internal lining and external wrapping)
- C. Cover and insulate all valves, fittings, and similar items in each piping system with equivalent thickness and composition of insulation as applied to adjoining pipe run and piping system. Install factory molded, pre-cut or field cut and fabricated units (at installer's option) except where specifically noted otherwise.
- D. Maintain the integrity of vapor jackets on all pipe insulation, duct insulation, equipment insulation and protect during construction to prevent puncture or other damage.

1.3 SUBMITTALS

- A. General: Submit the following in accordance with Conditions of Contract and Division 01 Specification Sections:
 - 1. Product data for each type of mechanical insulation identifying k-value, thickness, and accessories.
 - 2. Manufacturer's installation recommendations.
 - 3. Material certificates, signed by the manufacturer, certifying that materials as a minimum, comply with specified requirements where laboratory test reports cannot be obtained.
 - 4. Material test reports prepared by a qualified independent testing laboratory. Certify insulation meets specified requirements.

1.4 QUALITY ASSURANCE

- A. Fire Performance Characteristics: Conform to the following characteristics for insulation including facings, cements, and adhesives, when tested according to ASTM E 84, by UL or other testing or inspecting organization acceptable to the authority having jurisdiction. Label insulation with appropriate markings of testing laboratory.
 - 1. Interior Insulation: Flame spread rating of 25 or less and a smoke developed rating of 50 or less.
 - 2. Exterior Insulation: Flame spread rating of 75 or less and a smoke developed rating of 150 or less.

1.5 SEQUENCING AND SCHEDULING

- A. Schedule piping and duct insulation application only after the testing of piping and duct systems is complete and accepted.
- B. Schedule insulation application after installation and testing of heat trace tape is complete and accepted.
- C. Schedule insulation of walls and ceiling to correspond with installation of pipe hangers, supports and equipment.

PART 2 - PRODUCTS

2.1 GENERAL

- A. Pipe insulation shall not begin until all work has been tested and found to be tight. All insulation adhesives, sealers, tapes and mastic shall meet the latest NFPA requirements and shall meet 25/50/50 flame spread and smoke developed ratings.
- B. All insulation shall be installed in strict accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations.
- C. All pipe insulation where recommended by the manufacturer shall be banded with aluminum bands, three to a section and with one band on each side of each fitting, valve, etc.
- D. Insulation shall be continuous through walls and ceilings.
- E. All valves, strainers, etc. shall be insulated the same as its adjacent piping and the covering shall extend all the way up to the equipment.
 - 1. USE HIGH DENSITY INSULATION INSERTS AT HANGERS ON ALL PIPING 1-1/2" AND ABOVE TO PREVENT CRUSHING OF INSULATION.

2.2 THERMAL INSULATION

- A. After all work has been tested and approved, insulate as follows:
 - 1. INSULATION SHALL BE INSTALLED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE MANUFACTURER'S RECOMMENDATIONS AND INSTRUCTIONS.

2.3 CONDENSATE DRAIN PIPING

- A. Insulate with 1/2" Aerotube or Armaflex pipe insulation applied in accordance with manufacturer's recommendations and instructions.

2.4 REFRIGERANT LINES

- A. Insulate with 3/4" closed cell, tube insulation, Aerotube, Armaflex or equivalent. Apply two coats of weatherproof mastic on all piping below grade or exposed to weather. Contractor shall install refrigerant lines below grade in watertight PVC sleeve in accordance with manufacturer's recommendations.
- B. All copper refrigerant lines shall be separated from dissimilar metals at all support points.

2.5 HVAC DUCTWORK INSULATION:

- A. Supply, return, transfer, fresh air and exhaust ductwork shall be wrapped on outside with 3/4# density fiberglass insulation with aluminum foil vapor barrier with a minimum R-Value of R-6 (unless stated otherwise on mechanical drawings). Insulation shall be taped at all joints and installed per the manufacturer's recommendations.
- B. Refer to air distribution section of mechanical specifications for duct insulation supplied by the sheet metal sub-contractor.
- C. Transfer ductwork across walls shall be internally lined with 1" thick acoustical insulation.

2.6 HVAC FLEX-CONNECTIONS:

- A. Shall be wrapped on outside with 3/4 # density fiberglass insulation with aluminum foil vapor barrier with a minimum R-value of R-6. Insulation shall be taped at all joints and installed per the manufacturer's recommendations.

2.7 INSULATION THROUGH HANGERS AND SLEEVES

- A. The insulation shall be continuous through pipe hangers and pipe sleeves. At hangers where the pipe is supported by insulation, provide a galvanized iron protection shield. Provide pipes 2-inch i.p.s. and larger in insulation inserts at points of hanger supports. The inserts shall be of calcium silicate, cellular glass, prestressed molded glass fiber of minimum 13-pound density, or other approval material of the same thickness as adjacent insulation and not less than 13-pound density. The inserts shall have sufficient compression strength to adequately support the pipe without compressing the inserts to a thickness less than the adjacent insulation. Inserts shall be 180 degrees and not less than the length of the protection shield. Vapor barrier facing of the insert shall be the same as the facing on the adjacent insulation. Where copper clad hangers are used on domestic copper pipe, insulation may cover pipe and hanger. Provide 18-gauge metal saddles between all hangers and insulation.

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