Gold Bond[®] Gridstone[®] Gypsum Ceiling Panels

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DESCRIPTION

Gold Bond® Gridstone® Gypsum Ceiling Panels consist of a non-combustible, gypsum core and is available in white and black laminate vinyl facers.

The 2-mil. white vinyl laminate combines high light reflectance and durability with easy cleanability. The 2-mil. black vinyl laminate facer combines durability with easy cleanability.

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Gridstone panels are accepted by the USDA for use in food service and food processing areas.

BASIC USES

Applications

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Advantages

- Gridstone Gypsum Ceiling Panels install easily in standard exposed grid systems.
- A non-combustible gypsum core assures fire safety with 1-1/2and 2-hour fire ratings achievable depending on installation.
- The sturdy white or black vinyl laminate eliminates additional finishing.
- The rigid gypsum core prevents sagging and warping problems and is backed by a 15-year limited warranty.
- Achieves UL GREENGUARD Gold Certification for low chemical emissions into indoor air during product usage. For more information, visit: ul.com/gg.
- Qualifies as a low-VOC emitting material by meeting California Specification 01350. For more information, visit: calrecycle.ca.gov/greenbuilding/specs/section01350.

INSTALLATION RECOMMENDATIONS

General

- Provide cross ventilation in unheated or enclosed space above ceiling panels.
- Install Gridstone Gypsum Ceiling Panels in lay-in suspension systems with edges concealed by flanges of suspension members.
- Gridstone Gypsum Ceiling Panels are designed to be mounted in standard 15/16" (24 mm) exposed tee grid systems or environmentaltype grids for severe conditions, with grids either 24" (610 mm) x 24" (610 mm) or 24" (610 mm) x 48" (1,219 mm). Grid installation should be conducted according to manufacturer's specification.
- Vinyl laminate on face of Gridstone Gypsum Ceiling Panels is directional. Install with all factory edges parallel (same direction).
- Each panel must be continuously supported on all four edges.
- Cut panels to fit tightly at borders and penetrations so that cut edges are concealed by trim pieces and escutcheons.

Cleaning: Remove common dirt and stains on the vinyl surface with mild soap or detergent in lukewarm water. Use a light scrubbing action with a cloth, sponge or soft brush. If the suitability of any cleaning agent is unknown, check its effect on the Gridstone Gypsum Ceiling Panel surface in a hidden area or on a scrap piece before attempting to remove a field stain.

Decoration

Gridstone Gypsum Ceiling Panels are factory finished decorative products that do not require painting. However, if desired, paint Gridstone with the following products:

- 1. Oil primer with finish coat of oil or latex paint
- 2. Two coats of latex paint.

Fire Ratings by Type and Size (ASTM E119)			
Туре	Size	Design	Rating
1/2" (12.7 mm) FSW-G	2' x 2'	UL G222 FM FC299	2 hr.
1/2" (12.7 mm) FSW-G	2' x 4'	UL G259 FM FC300	1-1/2 hr.

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TECHNICAL DATA

Physical Properties	Gridstone White Panels	Gridstone Black Panels
Thickness ¹ , Nominal	1/2" (12.7 mm)	1/2" (12.7 mm)
Width ¹ , Nominal	2' (610 mm), (Actual size is 23-3/4")	2' (610 mm), (Actual size is 23-3/4")
Length ^{1,6} , Standard	GB 5044: 2' (610 mm), (Actual size is 23-3/4") GB 5045: 4' (1,219 mm), (Actual size is 47-3/4")	GB 7010: 2' (610 mm), (Actual size is 23-3/4") GB 7012: 4' (1,219 mm), (Actual size is 47-3/4"
Weight, Nominal	2.2 lbs./sq. ft. (10.74 k/m²)	2.2 lbs./sq. ft. (10.74 k/m²)
Edges ¹	Square	Square
Finish Face	2 mil. White Vinyl Laminate	2 mil. Black Vinyl Laminate
Finish Back	N/A	N/A
Predecorated Gypsum Board ¹	Class 1	Class 1
Ceiling Attenuation Class (CAC) ^{4,5}	46 dB	46 dB
Light Reflectance⁵	LR 1 (75% or greater)	N/A
Product Standard Compliance	ASTM C1396	ASTM C1396
Fire-Resistance Characteristics		
Core Type	Туре Х	Туре Х
UL Type Designation	FSW-G	FSW-G
Combustibility ²	Non-combustible Core	Non-combustible Core
Surface Burning Characteristics ³	Class A	Class A
Flame Spread ³	5	5
Smoke Development ³	0	0
Applicable Standards and References		
ASTM C473 Standard Test Methods for Physica	l Testing of Gypsum Panel Products	
ASTM C840 Standard Specification for Applica	tion and Finishing of Gypsum Board	
ASTM C1396 Standard Specification for Gypsu	m Board	
ASTM E84 Standard Test Method for Surface B	urning Characteristics of Building Materials	
ASTM E119 Standard Test Methods For Fire Tes	sts Of Building Construction And Materials	
ASTM E136 Standard Test Method for Behavior	of Materials in a Vertical Tube Furnace at 750°C	
ASTM E1264 Standard Classification for Acous	tical Ceiling Board	
ASTM E1414 Standard Test Method for Airborn	e Sound Attenuation Between Rooms Sharing a Common Cel	iling Plenum
Gypsum Association, GA-216, Application and	Finishing of Gypsum Panel Products	
Gold Bond Building Products, LLC Manufactu	rer Standards, NGC Construction Guide	

1. Specified values per ASTM C1396, tested in accordance with ASTM C473.

2. Tested in accordance with ASTM E136.

3. Tested in accordance with ASTM E84.

4. Tested in accordance with ASTM E1414

5. Tested in accordance with ASTM C1264, Type XX, Patterns E and G.

6. Please consult your local sales representative for all non-standard lengths and widths. Minimum order requirements may apply.



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LIMITATIONS

- Do not install panels in areas exposed to extreme or continuous moisture, such as saunas, steam rooms, gang showers and indoor pool enclosures.
- Do not exceed 104° F (40° C) or 90% relative humidity prior to, during and after installation.
- For exterior application, protect grid panels from direct exposure to weather, water and continuous high humidity.
- Limit supported insulation to 1.6 psf (4.88 k/m²).
- Overlaid insulation may cause excessive panel deflection and is not recommended where high humidity is likely to occur.
- Extreme lighting conditions may distort texture appearance.
- Do not use strong organic solvents (such as ketones), harsh abrasive cleaners or steel wool. These materials may cause dulling, discoloration, softening and other permanent damage to the vinyl surface.

Handling and Project Conditions

- Avoid water exposure during shipping, handling, storage and installation, and after installation of gypsum ceiling panels in order to avoid the formation of mold or mildew.
- Remove nonbreathable shipping wrap material upon receiving and storing gypsum panels.
- Store gypsum ceiling panels off the ground and under cover.
- Use sufficient supports extending under the entire length of gypsum board to prevent sagging.
- Keep gypsum ceiling panels dry to minimize the potential for mold growth. Take adequate care while transporting, storing, applying and maintaining gypsum ceiling panels. For additional information, refer to the Gypsum Association publication, *Guidelines for Prevention of Mold Growth on Gypsum Board* (GA-238).
- Protect gypsum ceiling panels from the elements and maintain in good condition prior to and following installation. Stack panels flat, with care taken to prevent sagging or damage to edges, ends or surfaces.
- Do not install gypsum ceiling panels with visible signs of mold growth. Do not apply gypsum ceiling panels over other building materials where conditions exist that are favorable to mold growth.
- Do not exceed 95°F (35°C) when using a temporary heat source.
- Refer to GA-801 for complete handling and storage instructions.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

Architectural Specifications

Gold Bond Building Products CSI MasterFormat® 3-part guide specifications are downloadable as editable Microsoft[®] Word documents at: goldbondbuilding.com.

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