

R803.2 Wood structural panel sheathing.

R803.2.1 Identification and grade. Wood structural panels shall conform to DOC PS 1, DOC PS 2, CSA O437 or CSA O325, and shall be identified for grade, bond classification and performance category by a grade mark or certificate of inspection issued by an *approved* agency. Wood structural panels shall comply with the grades specified in Section R503.1.

R803.2.1.1 Exposure durability. Wood structural panels, when designed to be permanently exposed in outdoor applications, shall be of an exterior exposure durability. Wood structural panel roof sheathing exposed to the underside shall be permitted to be of interior type bonded with exterior glue, identified as Exposure 1.

R803.2.1.2 Fire-retardant-treated plywood. The allowable unit stresses for fire-retardant-treated plywood, including fastener values, shall be developed from an *approved* method of investigation that considers the effects of anticipated temperature and humidity to which the fire-retardant-treated plywood will be subjected, the type of treatment and redrying process. The fire-retardant-treated plywood shall be graded by an *approved* agency.

R803.2.2 Allowable spans. The minimum thickness and span rating for wood structural panel roof sheathing shall not exceed the values set forth in Table R803.2.2.

R803.2.3 Installation. Wood structural panel used as roof sheathing shall be installed with joints staggered in accordance with Section R803.2.3.1 for wood roof framing or with Section R804.1 for cold-formed steel roof framing. Wood structural panel roof sheathing shall not cantilever more than 9 inches beyond the gable end wall unless supported by gable overhang framing.

R803.2.3.1 Sheathing fastenings. Wood structural panel sheathing shall be fastened to roof framing in accordance with Table R803.2.3.1. Sheathing shall be fastened with ASTM F1667 RSRS-03 ($2\frac{1}{2}$ " \times 0.131" \times 0.281 head diameter) nails except that ASTM F1667 RSRS-01 ($2\frac{3}{8}$ " \times 0.113") nails or ASTM F1667 RSRS-04 (3" \times 0.120" \times 0.281 head diameter) nails shall be permitted where sheathing thickness is $\frac{15}{32}$ inches and less. RSRS-01, RSRS-03 and RSRS-04 are ring shank nails meeting the specifications in ASTM F1667.

SECTION R804 COLD-FORMED STEEL ROOF FRAMING

R804.1 General. In accordance with Section R301.2.1.1, the design of cold-formed steel roof framing shall be in accordance with AISI S230, *Standard for Cold-Formed Steel Framing—Prescriptive Method For One- and Two-Family Dwellings*.

SECTION R805 CEILING FINISHES

R805.1 Ceiling installation. Ceilings shall be installed in accordance with the requirements for interior wall finishes as provided in Section R702.

SECTION R806 ROOF VENTILATION

R806.1 Ventilation required. Enclosed attics and enclosed rafter spaces formed where ceilings are applied directly to the underside of roof rafters shall have cross ventilation for each separate space by ventilating openings protected against the entrance of rain or snow. Ventilation openings shall have a least dimension of $\frac{1}{16}$ inch (1.6 mm) minimum and $\frac{1}{4}$ inch (6.4 mm) maximum. Ventilation openings having a least dimension larger than $\frac{1}{4}$ inch (6.4 mm) shall be provided with corrosion-resistant wire cloth screening, hardware cloth, perforated vinyl or similar material with openings having a least dimension of $\frac{1}{16}$ inch (1.6 mm) minimum and $\frac{1}{4}$ inch (6.4 mm) maximum. Openings in roof framing members shall conform to the requirements of Section R802.7. Required ventilation openings shall open directly to the outside air and shall be protected to prevent the entry of birds, rodents, snakes and other similar creatures.

R806.2 Minimum vent area. The minimum net free ventilating area shall be $\frac{1}{150}$ of the area of the vented space.

Exception: The minimum net free ventilation area shall be $\frac{1}{300}$ of the vented space, provided that not less than 40 percent and not more than 50 percent of the required ventilating area is provided by ventilators located in the upper portion of the attic or rafter space. Upper ventilators shall be located not more than 3 feet (914 mm) below the ridge or highest point of the space, measured vertically. The balance of the required ventilation provided shall be located in the bottom one-third of the attic space. Where the location of wall or roof framing members conflicts with the

TABLE R803.2.2
MINIMUM ROOF SHEATHING THICKNESS

Rafter/Truss Spacing 24 in. o.c.	WIND SPEED							
	115 mph	120 mph	130 mph	140 mph	150 mph	160 mph	170 mph	180 mph
Minimum Sheathing Thickness, inches (Panel Span Rating) Exposure B	7/16 (24/16)	7/16 (24/16)	7/16 (24/16)	7/16 (24/16)	15/32 (32/16)	19/32 (40/20)	19/32 (40/20)	19/32 (40/20)
Minimum Sheathing Thickness, inches (Panel Span Rating) Exposure C	7/16 (24/16)	7/16 (24/16)	15/32 (32/16)	19/32 (40/20)	19/32 (40/20)	19/32 (40/20)	19/32 (40/20)	23/32 (48/24)
Minimum Sheathing Thickness, inches (Panel Span Rating) Exposure D	15/32 (32/16)	19/32 (40/20)	19/32 (40/20)	19/32 (40/20)	19/32 (40/20)	19/32 (40/20)	23/32 (48/24)	23/32 (48/24)

TABLE R803.2.3.1
ROOF SHEATHING ATTACHMENT^{a, b}

Rafter/Truss Spacing 24 in. o.c.	WIND SPEED															
	115 mph		120 mph		130 mph		140 mph		150 mph		160 mph		170 mph		180 mph	
	E	F	E	F	E	F	E	F	E	F	E	F	E	F	E	F
Exposure B																
Rafter/Truss SG = 0.42	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	4	4	4	4	4	4
Rafter/Truss SG = 0.49	6	12	6	12	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6
Exposure C																
Rafter/Truss SG = 0.42	6	6	6	6	6	6	4	4	4	4	4	4	3	3	3	3
Rafter/Truss SG = 0.49	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	4	4	4	4
Exposure D																
Rafter/Truss SG = 0.42	6	6	6	6	4	4	4	4	4	4	3	3	3	3	3	3
Rafter/Truss SG = 0.49	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4

E = Nail spacing along panel edges (inches)

F = Nail spacing along intermediate supports in the panel field (inches)

- a. For sheathing located a minimum of 4 feet from the perimeter edge of the roof, including 4 feet on each side of ridges and hips, nail spacing is permitted to be 6 inches on center along panel edges and 6 inches on center along intermediate supports in the panel field.
- b. Where rafter/truss spacing is less than 24 inches on center or for specific gravities (SG) other than those shown, roof sheathing fastening is permitted to be in accordance with the AWC WFCM or the AWC NDS provided nail spacing does not exceed 6 inches on center along panel edges and 12 inches on center along intermediate supports in the panel field.

installation of upper ventilators, installation more than 3 feet (914 mm) below the ridge or highest point of the space shall be permitted.

R806.3 Vent and insulation clearance. Where eave or cornice vents are installed, blocking, bridging and insulation shall not block the free flow of air. Not less than a 1-inch (25 mm) space shall be provided between the insulation and the roof sheathing and at the location of the vent.

R806.4 Installation and weather protection. Ventilators shall be installed in accordance with manufacturer's instructions. Installation of ventilators in roof systems shall be in accordance with the requirements of Section R903. Installation of ventilators in wall systems shall be in accordance with the requirements of Section R703.1.

R806.5 Unvented attic and unvented enclosed rafter assemblies. Unvented *attics* and unvented enclosed roof framing assemblies created by ceilings that are applied directly to the underside of the roof framing members and structural roof sheathing applied directly to the top of the roof framing members/rafters, shall be permitted where all the following conditions are met:

1. The unvented *attic* space is completely within the *building thermal envelope*.
2. No interior Class I vapor retarders are installed on the ceiling side (*attic* floor) of the unvented *attic* assembly or on the ceiling side of the unvented enclosed roof framing assembly.
3. Where wood shingles or shakes are used, a minimum $\frac{1}{4}$ -inch (6.4 mm) vented airspace separates the shingles or shakes and the roofing underlayment above the structural sheathing.

4. In Climate Zones 5, 6, 7 and 8, any *air-impermeable insulation* shall be a Class II vapor retarder, or shall have a Class II vapor retarder coating or covering in direct contact with the underside of the insulation.

5. Insulation shall comply with Item 5.3 and Item 5.1. As an alternative, where air-permeable insulation is located on top of the attic floor or on top of the attic ceiling, insulation shall comply with Item 5.3 and Item 5.2.

5.1. Item 5.1.1, 5.1.2, 5.1.3 or 5.1.4 shall be met, depending on the air permeability of the insulation directly under the structural roof sheathing.

5.1.1. Where only *air-impermeable insulation* is provided, it shall be applied in direct contact with the underside of the structural roof sheathing.

5.1.2. Where *air-permeable insulation* is provided inside the building thermal envelope, it shall be installed in accordance with Section 5.1.1. In addition to the *air-permeable insulation* installed directly below the structural sheathing, rigid board or sheet insulation shall be installed directly above the structural roof sheathing in accordance with the *R*-values in Table R806.5 for condensation control.

5.1.3. Where both *air-impermeable* and *air-permeable insulation* are provided, the *air-impermeable insulation* shall be applied in direct contact with the under-