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Tech Hotline

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StoPowerwall® Stucco Wind Load Resistance of Assemblies Listed in ICC-ES ESR-2323

Sto Corp. has tested several assemblies of StoPowerwall® stucco in accordance with ASTM E 330 to measure ultimate uniformly distributed load capacity (resistance to wind loads). The following table summarizes the wall assemblies and the ultimate loads achieved.

Assembly No.	1	2	3	4	5	6
Interior wallboard	None	½-inch gypsum	None	None	None	½-inch gypsum
	18 ga. Steel	18 ga. Steel	2 x 4 SYP wood	2 x 4 SYP wood	2 x 4 SYP wood	18 ga. Steel
Framing type	1.25" x 3.5"	1.25" x 3.5"	studs	studs	studs	1.625" x 3.625"
Stud Spacing	16-in., o.c.	16-in., o.c.	24-in., o.c.	24-in., o.c.	24-in., o.c.	16-in., o.c.
	No. 6 x 7/16"	No. 6 x 7/16"	16d Cement	16d Cement	16d Cement	No. 6 x 7/16"
Framing Fasteners	Pan Head	Pan Head	Coated Sinkers	Coated Sinkers	Coated Sinkers	Pan Head
			1-inch, 1.0 pcf			
			Expanded			5/8-in G-P
		1/2" ASTM C 79	Polystyrene	1/2" ASTM C 79		Gypsum Dens-
Sheathing	7/16" OSB	Exterior Gypsum	(EPS)	Exterior Gypsum	7/16" OSB	Glass® Gold
	No. 6 x 1-5/8"	No. 6 x 1-5/8"		No. 6 x 1-5/8"	No. 6 x 1-5/8"	
	Bugle head	Bugle head		Bugle head	Bugle head	No. 8 x 1-5/8"
	8-in., o.c	8-in., o.c	Tacked at	4-in., o.c	8-in., o.c	Bugle head
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	perimeter,	perimeter,	corners, held in	perimeter,	perimeter,	8-in., o.c.
	12-in., o.c. along	8-in., o.c. along	place by lath	8-in., o.c. along	12-in., o.c. along	perimeter and
Sheathing fasteners	studs	studs	fasteners	studs	studs	along studs
Building Paper	No. 15	No. 15	No. 15	No. 15	No. 15	No. 15
						2.5-lb/yd² galv.
	20-ga stucco	20-ga stucco	20-ga stucco	20-ga stucco	20-ga stucco	expanded metal
Lath	wire	wire	wire	wire	wire	lath
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	No. 8 x 1-5/8"	No. 8 x 1-5/8"				No. 6 x 1-5/8"
	wafer head, 6-	wafer head, 6-	2-inch roofing	2-inch roofing	2-inch roofing	wafer head, 7-
	in., o.c.,	in., o.c.,	nails, 6-in., o.c.,	nails, 6-in., o.c.,	nails, 6-in., o.c.,	in., o.c.,
	perimeter and	perimeter and	perimeter and	perimeter and	perimeter and	perimeter and
Lath Fasteners	along studs	along studs	along studs	along studs	along studs	along studs
StoPowerwall®						
Stucco (Note 5)	½-inch	½-inch	½-inch	½-inch	½-inch	5/8-inch
Ultimate Positive						
Uniformly Distributed						
Load	176.8 psf	176.8 psf	145.6 psf	145.6 psf	260.0 psf	196.6 psf
Positive Loading	Stud Failed in	Stud Failed in	Stud Failed in	Stud Failed in	Stud Failed in	Stud Failed in
Mode of Failure	bending	bending	bending	bending	bending	bending
Ultimate Negative	~~	~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~	~ ~	~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~	~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~	20
Uniformly Distributed						
Load	62.4 psf	72.8 psf	52.0 psf	93.6 psf	52.0 psf	144.6 psf
LUdU	62.4 psi	12.0 psi	52.0 psi	93.0 psi	52.0 psi	144.6 psi
Negative Loading	Stud Failed in	Stud Failed in				Fastener pulled
Mode of Failure	bending	bending	Fastener Failure	Fastener Failure	Fastener Failure	through lath

Notes:

- 1) Reference Cerny & Ivey Engineers report 26103 for assemblies 1 5, Cerny & Ivey Engineers Report 26104 for assembly No. 6.
- 2) Loads reported are the lowest measured result for 3 specimens that were tested for each assembly.
- 3) Assemblies 1 5 test specimens were 48" x 96"; assembly No. 6 specimens were 48" x 100".
- 4) Wood frame specimens include 2 x 4 cross bracing at 24-inches, o.c.
- 5) The data presented in this Tech Hotline are for assemblies constructed with StoPowerwall® Stucco produced under ICC-ES ESR-2323. This data is not necessarily applicable for assemblies constructed with other stucco products, and testing or analysis should be done by a qualified design professional to establish ultimate loads for alternate stucco products. Ultimate loads do not include safety factors which must be applied by the design professional in accordance with applicable local codes.