

SECTION 084413: GLAZED ALUMINUM CURTAIN WALLS

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PART 1 GENERAL

1.1 RELATED DOCUMENTS

- A. Drawings and general provisions of the Contract, including General and Supplementary Conditions and Division 01 Specification Sections, apply to this Section.

1.2 SUMMARY

- A. This Section covers Kawneer Architectural Aluminum Window Wall Systems, including perimeter trims, stools, accessories, shims and anchors, and perimeter sealing of window wall framing.

- B. Types of Kawneer Aluminum Window Wall Systems include:

1. Metroview® FG 501T Window Wall
 - a. Sightline: 2-1/4" (57.2 mm)
 - b. System depth: 5" (127 mm)
 - c. Inside glazed system
2. Metroview® FG 501T Window Wall
 - a. Sightline: 2-1/4" (57.2 mm)
 - b. System depth: 5" (127 mm)
 - c. Outside glazed system

- C. Related Sections:

EDITOR NOTE: The sections listed below are specified elsewhere. However, Kawneer recommends single-source responsibility for all of these sections as described in the Quality Assurance article below.

1. 072700: Air Barriers
2. 079200: Joint Sealants
3. 083213: Sliding Aluminum-Framed Glass Doors
4. 084113: Aluminum-Framed Entrances and Storefronts
5. 084313: Aluminum-Framed Storefronts
6. 085113: Aluminum Windows
7. 088000: Glazing

8. 107113: Exterior Sun Control Devices
9. 122600: Interior Daylighting Devices

1.3 DEFINITIONS

A. For fenestration industry standard terminology and definitions, refer to the Fenestration & Glazing Industry Alliance (FGIA) Glossary (AAMA AG-13).

1.4 PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS

A. General Performance:

1. Product to comply with the specified performance requirements without failure due to defective manufacture, fabrication, installation, or other defects in construction, as determined by testing of glazed aluminum window walls representing those indicated for this project.
2. Glazed aluminum window walls shall withstand movements of supporting structure including, but not limited to, story drift, twist, column shortening, long-term creep, and deflection from uniformly distributed and concentrated live loads.
3. Failure includes any of these events:
 - a. Thermal stresses transferring to building structure
 - b. Glass breakage
 - c. Loosening or weakening of fasteners, attachments, and other components
 - d. Failure of operating units

B. Delegated Design:

1. Design glazed aluminum window walls, including comprehensive engineering analysis by a qualified professional engineer, using performance requirements and design criteria indicated.

C. Wind Loads:

EDITOR NOTE: Provide wind load design pressures in PSF and include applicable building code and year edition.

1. The window wall system shall include anchorage that is capable of withstanding the following wind load design pressures:
 - a. Inward: (_____) psf or (_____) Pa
 - b. Outward: (_____) psf or (_____) Pa
2. The design pressures are based on the (_____) Building Code, (_____) Edition.

D. Air Leakage:

EDITOR NOTE: Performance results for air infiltration are based upon ASTM and AAMA standards. Consult your local Kawneer representative concerning specific project performance requirements.

1. The test specimen shall be tested in accordance with ASTM E 283.
2. Air infiltration rate shall not exceed 0.06 cfm/ft² (0.3 l/s · m²) at a static air pressure differential of 6.2 psf (300 Pa).

E. Water Resistance:

EDITOR NOTE: Performance results for water resistance are based upon ASTM and FGIA/AAMA standards. Consult your local Kawneer representative concerning specific project performance requirements, sill flashing details, and installation instructions.

1. Static:
 - a. The test specimen shall be tested in accordance with ASTM E 331.
 - b. There shall be no leakage at a minimum static air pressure differential of 12 psf (575 Pa) as defined in AAMA 501.
2. Cyclic:
 - a. The test specimen shall be tested in accordance with ASTM E 547.
 - b. There shall be no leakage at an air pressure differential of 12 psf (575 Pa) as defined in AAMA 501.
3. Severe, Wind Driven Rain:
 - a. The test specimen shall be tested in accordance with AAMA 520 and ASTM E 2268.
 - b. There shall be no visible water at performance level 5, pressure limits 9 psf (431 Pa) to 27 psf (1293 Pa).

F. Uniform Load:

1. A static air design load of 42 psf (2010 Pa) shall be applied in the positive and negative direction in accordance with ASTM E 330.
2. There shall be no deflection in excess of L/175 of the span of any framing member at design load.
3. At a structural test load equal to 1.5 times the specified design load, no glass breakage or permanent set in the framing members in excess of 0.2% of their clear spans shall occur.

G. Seismic:

1. When tested to AAMA 501.4, system must meet design displacement (elastic) of 0.010 times the story height and ultimate displacement (inelastic) of 1.5 times the design displacement.
2. When tested to AAMA 501.6, system must meet dynamic seismic drift causing glass fallout (Δ Fallout) of 4.75" or 0.0300 times the story height.

H. Inter-story Vertical Movement:

1. When tested to AAMA 501.7, system must meet a vertical displacement of $\pm 0.25"$

I. Thermal Transmittance (U-factor), Physical Test:

EDITOR NOTE: Refer to thermal transmittance charts in the Architectural Detail Manual in accordance with AAMA 507 for project-specific U-factors, solar heat gain coefficient (SHGC), and visible transmittance (VT). Refer to thermal performance matrix for NFRC values.

1. Thermal transmittance test results in accordance with AAMA 1503 are based upon 1" (25.4 mm) low-emissivity double glazed insulating unit with warm edge spacer.
2. When tested using AAMA 1503, the thermal transmittance (U-factor) shall not be more than 0.38 Btu/(hr·ft²·°F).

J. Thermal Transmittance (U-factor), Simulation:

EDITOR NOTE: Refer to thermal transmittance charts in the Architectural Detail Manual in accordance with AAMA 507 for project-specific U-factors, solar heat gain coefficient (SHGC), and visible transmittance (VT). Refer to thermal performance matrix for NFRC values.

1. Thermal transmittance simulation results using NFRC 100 or AAMA 507 are based on a Center of Glass (COG) U-factor of 0.24 Btu/(hr·ft²·°F) and a warm-edge spacer.
2. Thermal transmittance (U-factor) shall not be more than 0.37 Btu/(hr·ft²·°F) per AAMA 507 or (_____) Btu/(hr·ft²·°F) per NFRC 100 when using project-specified glass.

K. Condensation Resistance Factor (CRF):

EDITOR NOTE: Refer to thermal transmittance charts in the Architectural Detail Manual in accordance with AAMA 507 for project-specific U-factors, solar heat gain coefficient (SHGC), and visible transmittance (VT). Refer to thermal performance matrix for NFRC values.

1. When tested using AAMA 1503, the CRF_{frame} and CRF_{glass} (1" low-emissivity double glazed insulating unit with warm edge spacer) shall not be less than 69 and 68 respectively.

L. Sound Transmission Loss:

1. Sound transmission loss test results in accordance with AAMA 1801 are based upon 1" (25.4 mm) insulating glass made with exterior 1/4" glass, 1/2" spacer, and interior 1/4" laminated glass.
2. Sound Transmission Class (STC) shall not be less than STC 36.
3. Outdoor-Indoor Transmission Class (OITC) shall not be less than OITC 31.

M. Environmental Product Declaration (EPD): Shall have a Type III Product-Specific EPD created from a Product Category Rule.

1.5 SUBMITTALS

A. Product Data:

1. For each type of product indicated, include:
 - a. Construction details
 - b. Material descriptions
 - c. Dimensions of individual components and profiles
 - d. Finishes
2. Recycled Content:

EDITOR NOTE: Include these Recycled Content specifications if needed to meet project requirements or for a project that includes Green Building Certifications such as LEED, Living Building Challenge (LBC), etc.

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- a. Provide documentation that aluminum has a minimum of 50% mixed pre- and post-consumer recycled content.
- b. Provide a sample document illustrating project-specific information that will be provided after product shipment.
- c. After product has shipped, provide project-specific recycled content information:
 - 1) Indicate recycled content, including the percentage of pre- and post-consumer recycled content per unit of product.
 - 2) Indicate the relative dollar value of recycled content product to the total dollar value of product included in the project.

- 3) Indicate the location for recovery of recycled content.
- 4) Indicate the location of the manufacturing facility.

3. Environmental Product Declaration (EPD):

- a. Include a Type III Product-Specific EPD created from a Product Category Rule.

B. Shop Drawings:

1. Plans
2. Elevations
3. Sections
4. Full-size details
5. Attachments to other work

C. Samples for Initial Selection:

1. Provide samples for units with factory-applied color finishes.

D. Samples for Verification:

1. Provide a verification sample for each type of exposed finish required, in manufacturer's standard sizes.

E. Product Test Reports:

1. Provide test reports for glazed aluminum window walls.
2. Test reports must be based on evaluation of comprehensive tests performed by a qualified preconstruction testing agency.
3. Test reports must indicate compliance with performance requirements.

F. Fabrication Sample:

1. Provide a fabrication section of each vertical-to-horizontal intersection of aluminum-framed window wall systems, made from 12" (300 mm) lengths of full-size components and showing details of the following:
 - a. Joinery
 - b. Glazing

1.6 QUALITY ASSURANCE

A. Installer Qualifications:

1. Installer must have successfully installed the same or similar required for the project and other projects of similar size and scope.

B. Manufacturer Qualifications:

1. Manufacturer must be capable of fabricating glazed aluminum window walls that meet or exceed the stated performance requirements.

C. Source Limitations:

1. Obtain aluminum window wall system through one source from a single manufacturer.

D. Product Options:

1. Information on drawings and in specifications establishes requirements for aesthetic effects and performance characteristics of assemblies. Aesthetic effects are indicated by dimensions, arrangements, alignment, and profiles of components and assemblies as they relate to sightlines, to one another, and to adjoining construction.
2. Do not modify intended aesthetic effects, as judged solely by Architect, except with Architect's approval. If modifications are proposed, submit comprehensive explanatory data to Architect for review.

E. Mockups:

1. Build mockups to verify selections made under sample submittals and to demonstrate aesthetic effects and set quality standards for materials and execution.
2. Build mockups for type(s) of window wall elevation(s) indicated, in location(s) shown on drawings.

F. Pre-installation Conference:

1. Conduct conference at project site to comply with requirements in Division 01 Project Management and Coordination Section.

1.7 PROJECT CONDITIONS

A. Field Measurements:

1. Verify actual locations of structural supports for glazed aluminum window walls by field measurements before fabrication.
2. Indicate measurements on shop drawings.

1.8 WARRANTY

A. Submit manufacturer's standard warranty for owner's acceptance.

B. Warranty Period:

1. Two years from Date of Substantial Completion of the project provided however that in no event shall the Limited Warranty begin later than six months from date of shipment by manufacturer.

PART 2 PRODUCTS

2.1 MANUFACTURERS

EDITOR NOTE: Retain this article for proprietary method specification; add product attributes, performance characteristics, material standards, and descriptions as applicable. DO NOT USE the phrases "OR EQUAL," "OR APPROVED EQUAL," or similar. Use of such phrases causes ambiguity in the specifications because of the different interpretations among the divergent parties of the construction process and readers of the specifications. Such phrases require extensive and complete requirements (procedural, legal, regulatory, and responsibility) for determining "OR EQUAL."

A. Basis-of-Design Product:

1. Kawneer Company, Inc.
2. Metroview® FG 501T Window Wall types:

EDITOR NOTE: Delete Window Wall types that do not apply to this project. The Window Wall types you retain in this list should match the Window Wall types you retained in the Summary section of this document.

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 - 2) System depth: 5" (127 mm)
 - 3) Inside glazed system
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B. Subject to compliance with requirements, provide a comparable product by the following:

EDITOR NOTE: Retain the information below for alternate manufacturers/products as specified in the contract documents. Coordinate this information with bid documents (if any) and the Division 01 Alternates Section. Consult with Kawneer Company for recommendations on alternate manufacturers and products that meet the design criteria and project requirements. Kawneer recommends that other manufacturers who request approval to bid their product as an equal must submit their request in writing ten (10) days prior to the close of bidding.

- 1. Manufacturer: (_____)
- 2. Series: (_____)
- 3. Profile Dimension: (_____)

C. Substitutions:

- 1. Refer to Division 01 Substitutions Section for procedures and submission requirements.
- 2. Pre-Contract (Bidding Period) Substitutions:
 - a. Submit written requests ten (10) days prior to bid date.
- 3. Post-Contract (Construction Period) Substitutions:
 - a. Submit written request in order to avoid installation and construction delays.
- 4. Product Literature and Drawings:
 - a. Submit product literature and drawings modified to suit specific project requirements and job conditions.
- 5. Certificates:
 - a. Submit certificate(s) certifying that the substitute manufacturer (1) attests to adherence to specification requirements for window wall system performance criteria, and (2) has been engaged in the design, manufacture, and fabrication of aluminum window walls for a period of not less than ten (10) years. (*Company Name*).
- 6. Test Reports:
 - a. Submit test reports verifying compliance with each test requirement required by the project.
- 7. Samples:
 - a. Provide samples of typical product sections and finish samples in manufacturer's standard sizes.

D. Substitution Acceptance:

1. Acceptance will be in written form, either as an addendum or modification.
2. Acceptance will be documented by a formal change order signed by the owner and contractor.

2.2 MATERIALS

A. Aluminum Extrusions:

1. Alloy and temper recommended by glazed aluminum window wall manufacturer for strength, corrosion resistance, and application of required finish
2. Each framing member shall have a wall thickness sufficient to meet the specified structural requirements.
3. Complying with ASTM B221: 6063-T6 alloy and temper
4. Recycled Content:

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- a. Shall have a minimum of 50% mixed pre- and post-consumer recycled content.
- b. Indicate recycled content, including the percentage of pre- and post-consumer recycled content per unit of product.
- c. Indicate the relative dollar value of recycled content product to the total dollar value of product included in the project.
- d. Indicate the location for recovery of recycled content.
- e. Indicate the location of the manufacturing facility.

B. Aluminum Sheet Alloy:

1. Shall meet the requirements of ASTM B209.

C. Fasteners:

1. Nonmagnetic stainless steel or other materials must be non-corrosive and compatible with aluminum members, trim hardware, anchors, and other components.

D. Anchors, Clips, and Accessories:

1. Aluminum, nonmagnetic stainless steel, or zinc-coated steel or iron complying with ASTM B 633 for SC 3 severe service conditions or other suitable zinc coating.
2. Anchors, clips, and accessories shall provide sufficient strength to withstand the design pressure indicated.

E. Reinforcing Members:

1. Aluminum, nonmagnetic stainless steel, or nickel/chrome-plated steel complying with ASTM B 456 for Type SC 3 severe service conditions, or zinc-coated steel or iron complying with ASTM B 633 for SC 3 severe service conditions or other suitable zinc coating.
2. Reinforcing members must provide sufficient strength to withstand the design pressure indicated.

F. Sealant:

1. For sealants required within fabricated window wall system, provide permanently elastic, non-shrinking, and non-migrating type recommended by sealant manufacturer for joint size and movement.

G. Thermal Barrier:

1. Kawneer IsoLock® Thermal Break with a 3/8" (9.5 mm) separation consisting of a two-part chemically curing, high-density polyurethane, which is mechanically and adhesively joined to aluminum window wall sections.
2. Thermal break shall be designed in accordance with AAMA TIR-A8 and tested in accordance with AAMA 505.

H. Tolerances:

1. References to tolerances for wall thickness and other cross-sectional dimensions of glazed window wall members are nominal and in compliance with AA Aluminum Standards and Data.

2.3 WINDOW WALL FRAMING

A. Framing Members:

1. Manufacturer's standard extruded- or formed-aluminum framing members of thickness required and reinforced as required to support imposed loads
2. Glazing System: Four-sided captured , vertical SSG, horizontal SSG
3. Glazing Plane: Front

B. Glass:

1. 1" (25.4 mm) insulating glass

C. Brackets and Reinforcements:

1. Manufacturer's standard high-strength aluminum with non-staining, non-ferrous shims for aligning system components.

D. Framing Sealants:

1. Shall be suitable for glazed aluminum window wall as recommended by sealant manufacturer.

E. Fasteners and Accessories:

1. Manufacturer's standard corrosion-resistant, non-staining, non-bleeding fasteners and accessories must be compatible with adjacent materials.
2. Where exposed, fasteners and accessories shall be stainless steel.

F. Perimeter Anchors:

1. When steel anchors are used, provide insulation between steel material and aluminum material to prevent galvanic action.

G. Packing, Shipping, Handling, and Unloading:

1. Deliver materials in manufacturer's original, unopened, undamaged containers with identification labels intact.

H. Storage and Protection:

1. Store materials so that they are protected from exposure to harmful weather conditions.
2. Handle material and components to avoid damage.
3. Protect material against damage from elements, construction activities, and other hazards before, during, and after installation.

2.4 GLAZING

- A. Glazing to meet requirements in Division 08 Glazing Section.
- B. Available Glazing Options:
 1. System: Inside glazed or outside glazed system with 1" (25.4 mm) double glazed insulating glass
- C. Glazing Gaskets:
 1. Gaskets to meet requirements of ASTM C864.
- D. Spacers and Setting Blocks:
 1. Manufacturer's standard elastomeric type
- E. Bond-Breaker Tape:
 1. Manufacturer's standard TFE-fluorocarbon or polyethylene material to which sealants will not develop adhesion.
- F. Glazing Sealants:
 1. As recommended by manufacturer for joint type.

2.5 OPERABLE UNITS

- A. Doors comply with Division 08 Aluminum-Framed Entrances and Storefronts Section.
- B. Windows comply with Division 08 Aluminum Windows Section.

2.6 ACCESSORY MATERIALS

- A. Bituminous Paint:
 1. Cold-applied asphalt-mastic paint
 2. Complies with SSPC-Paint 12 requirements except containing no asbestos
 3. Formulated for 30-mil (0.762 mm) thickness per coat

2.7 FABRICATION

- A. Extrude or form aluminum shapes before finishing.
- B. Fabricate components that, when assembled, have the following characteristics:
 1. Profiles that are sharp, straight, and free of defects or deformations
 2. Accurately fitted joints
 3. Physical and thermal isolation of glazing from framing members

4. Accommodations for thermal and mechanical movements of glazing and framing that maintain required glazing edge clearances
5. Fasteners, anchors, and connection devices that are concealed from view to the greatest extent possible
6. Internal weeping system or other means to drain water passing joints, condensation occurring within framing members, and moisture migrating within glazed aluminum window wall to exterior

C. Window Wall Framing:

1. Fabricate components for assembly using screw spline system following manufacturer's standard installation instructions.

D. After fabrication, clearly mark components to identify their locations in project according to shop drawings.

2.8 ALUMINUM FINISHES

EDITOR NOTE: Select the appropriate finish and color from Kawneer's standard colors listed below. Custom colors are available upon request from Kawneer. Other pigmented organic coatings conforming to AAMA 2603 are available. Consult with your Kawneer representative for other surface treatments and finishes.

- A. Finish designations that are prefixed by AA comply with the system established by the Aluminum Association for designating aluminum finishes.

B. Factory Finishing:

1. Kawneer Permanodic® AA-M10C21A44, AAMA 611, Architectural Class I Color Anodic Coating (Color _____)
2. Kawneer Permanodic® AA-M10C21A41, AAMA 611, Architectural Class I Clear Anodic Coating (Color #14 Clear) (Optional)
3. Kawneer Permanodic® AA-M10C21A31, AAMA 611, Architectural Class II Clear Anodic Coating (Color #17 Clear) (Standard)
4. Kawneer Permafluor™ (70% PVDF), AAMA 2605, Fluoropolymer Coating (Color _____)
5. Kawneer Permadize® (50% PVDF), AAMA 2604, Fluoropolymer Coating (Color _____)
6. Kawneer Permacoat™ AAMA 2604, Powder Coating (Color _____)
7. Other: Manufacturer _____ Type _____ (Color _____)

PART 3 EXECUTION

3.1 EXAMINATION

- A. With installer present, examine areas for compliance with requirements for installation tolerances and other conditions affecting performance of the work.
- B. Proceed with installation only after correcting unsatisfactory conditions.

3.2 INSTALLATION

EDITOR NOTE: Coordinate this article with manufacturer's recommended installation details and installation instructions.

- A. Window Wall System Installation:
 - 1. Install window wall systems plumb, level, and true to line, without warp or rack of frames, within manufacturer's prescribed tolerances, and complying with installation instructions.
 - 2. Provide support and anchor in place.
 - 3. Dissimilar Materials:
 - a. Provide separation of aluminum materials from sources of corrosion or electrolytic action contact points.
 - 4. Glazing:
 - a. Glass shall be inside-glazed or outside-glazed.
 - b. Glass shall be held in place with extruded aluminum glass stops.
 - 5. Water Drainage
 - a. Each light of glass shall be internally drained using water deflectors and sealant to divert water to the sill horizontal weep locations.
 - b. Weep holes shall be located in the sill to divert water to the exterior of the building.
- B. Related Products Installation:
 - 1. Sealants (Perimeter):
 - a. Refer to Joint Treatment (Sealants) Section.
 - 2. Glass:
 - a. Refer to Glass and Glazing Section.
 - b. Reference: ANSI Z97.1, CPSC 16 CFR 1201, and GANA Glazing Manual.

3.3 FIELD QUALITY CONTROL

- A. Field Tests:
 - 1. Architect shall select window wall units to be tested as soon as a representative portion of the project has been installed, glazed, perimeter caulked and cured.
 - 2. Conduct tests for air infiltration and water penetration with manufacturer's representative present.
 - 3. Tests that do not meet the specified performance requirements and units that have deficiencies shall be corrected as part of the contract amount.
 - 4. Testing shall be performed per AAMA 503 by a qualified independent testing agency. Refer to Testing Section for payment of testing and testing requirements.
 - 5. Air Infiltration Tests:
 - a. Conduct tests in accordance with ASTM E 783.
 - b. Allowable air infiltration shall not exceed 1.5 times the amount indicated in the performance requirements or 0.09 cfm/ft², whichever is greater.
 - 6. Water Infiltration Tests:
 - a. Conduct tests in accordance with ASTM E 1105.
 - b. No uncontrolled water leakage is permitted when tested at a static test pressure of two-thirds the specified water penetration pressure but not less than 8 psf (383 Pa).
- B. Manufacturer's Field Services:
 - 1. Upon owner's written request, provide periodic site visit by manufacturer's field service representative.

3.4 ADJUSTING, CLEANING, AND PROTECTION

- A. Adjusting: Not applicable.
- B. Protection:
 - 1. Protect installed product's finish surfaces from damage during construction.
 - 2. Protect aluminum window wall system from damage from grinding and polishing compounds, plaster, lime, acid, cement, or other harmful contaminants
- C. Cleaning:
 - 1. Repair or replace damaged installed products.
 - 2. Clean installed products in accordance with manufacturer's instructions prior to owner's acceptance.
 - 3. Remove and replace glass that has been broken, chipped, cracked, abraded, or damaged during the construction period.
 - 4. Remove construction debris from project site and legally dispose of debris.

END OF SECTION 084413

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