

SECTION 12494

ROLLER SHADES

PART 1 - GENERAL

1.1 SUMMARY

- A. **This Section** includes manually operated interior roller-screen solar shades as shown on Drawings.
- B. **Related Sections** include the following:
 - 1. Division 6 Section "Rough Carpentry": Wood blocking and grounds for mounting roller shades and accessories.
 - 2. Division 8 Sections: Windows and curtain walls with roller shades mounted on window frames.
 - 3. Division 9 Section "Gypsum Board Assemblies": Substrate for window shade.

1.2 SUBMITTALS

- A. **Product Data:** For each type of product indicated. Include styles, material descriptions, construction details, dimensions of individual components and profiles, features, finishes, and operating instructions.
- B. **Shop Drawings:** Show location and extent of roller shades. Include elevations, sections, details, and dimensions not shown in Product Data. Show installation details, mountings, attachments to other Work, operational clearances, and relationship to adjoining work.
- C. **Coordination Drawings:** Reflected ceiling plans drawn to scale and coordinating penetrations and ceiling-mounted items. Show the following:
 - 1. Ceiling suspension system members and attachment to building structure.
 - 2. Ceiling-mounted or penetrating items including light fixtures; air outlets and inlets; speakers; sprinklers; recessed shades; and special moldings at walls, column penetrations, and other junctures of acoustical ceilings with adjoining construction.
 - 3. Shade mounting assembly and attachment.
 - 4. Minimum Drawing Scale: 3/8 inch = 1 foot (1:32).
- D. **Samples for Initial Selection:** For each colored component of each type of roller shade indicated.
 - 1. Include similar Samples of accessories involving color selection.
 - a. **Shade Material:** Not less than 12-inch-square section of fabric, from dye lot used for the Work, with specified treatments applied. Show complete pattern repeat. Mark top and face of material.
- E. **Window Treatment Schedule:** Include roller shades in schedule using same room designations indicated on Drawings.
- F. **Product Certificates:** For each type of roller shade product, signed by product manufacturer.
- G. **Product Test Reports:** For each type of roller shade product.

- H. **Qualification Data:** For Installer.
- I. **Maintenance Data:** For roller shades to include in maintenance manuals. Include the following:
 - 1. Methods for maintaining roller shades and finishes.
 - 2. Precautions about cleaning materials and methods that could be detrimental to fabrics, finishes, and performance.
 - 3. Operating hardware.
- J. **Manufacturers' Instructions:** Manufacturer's standard installation instructions.

1.3 QUALITY ASSURANCE

- A. **Installer Qualifications:** An experienced installer who has completed installation of roller shades similar in material, design, and extent to that indicated for this Project and whose work has resulted in construction with a record of successful in-service performance.
- B. **Source Limitations:** Obtain roller shades through one source from a single manufacturer.
- C. **Fire-Test-Response Characteristics:** Provide roller shade band materials with the fire-test-response characteristics indicated, as determined by testing identical products per test method indicated below by UL or another testing and inspecting agency acceptable to authorities having jurisdiction:
 - 1. Flame-Resistance Ratings: Passes NFPA 701.
- D. **Toxicity:** Shade fabric passes when tested in accordance with University of Pittsburgh Toxicity Protocol including LC 50 analysis and toxicity characteristics.
- E. **Mockups:** Build mockups to verify selections made under sample Submittals and to demonstrate aesthetic effects and qualities of materials and execution.
 - 1. Build mockups in the location and of the size indicated or, if not indicated, as directed by Architect.
 - 2. Approved mockups may become part of the completed Work if undisturbed at time of Substantial Completion.

1.4 DELIVERY, STORAGE, AND HANDLING

- A. **Deliver shades** in factory packages, marked with manufacturer and product name, fire-test-response characteristics, and location of installation using same room designations indicated on Drawings and in a window treatment schedule.
- B. **Store materials** in a dry secure place. Protect from weather, surface contaminants, corrosion, construction traffic and all other potential damage.

1.5 PROJECT CONDITIONS

- A. **Environmental Limitations:** Do not install roller shades until construction and wet and dirty finish work in spaces, including painting, is complete and ambient temperature and humidity conditions are maintained at the levels indicated for Project when occupied for its intended use.
- B. **Field Measurements:** Where roller shades are indicated to fit to other construction, verify dimensions of other construction by field measurements before fabrication and indicate measurements on Shop Drawings. Allow clearances for operable glazed units'

operation hardware throughout the entire operating range. Notify Architect of discrepancies. Coordinate fabrication schedule with construction progress to avoid delaying the Work.

1.6 WARRANTY

A. Special Warranty:

1. **Manual Operating Components:** Provide Manufacturer's warranty under provisions of Division 1 Section "General Requirements." Warranty period to be 10 years from Date of Substantial Completion and contain provisions that installation is to remain operational without fault for the warranty period and include all operating parts, including shade cloth, except for the bead chain which is not covered by the warranty and is deemed to be a maintenance / service item.

PART 2 - PRODUCTS

2.1 MANUFACTURERS

- A. **Available Manufacturers:** Subject to compliance with requirements, manufacturers offering products that may be incorporated into the Work include, but are not limited to, the following:
1. MechoShade Systems, Inc.
 2. Prior approved equal.

2.2 ROLLER SHADES

- A. **Basis of Design:** Specifications based upon products by MechoShade Systems, Inc.:
1. Shade cloth: ThermoVeil; Single-Fabric Shade cloth.
 - a. Color: 1313 - Grey.
 - b. Pattern: 1300 series, Dense Basket Weave.
 - c. Fabric: Non-raveling extruded vinyl yarn.
 2. Manual Shade Brackets: M5-PKT, Mecho/5 Pocket, 4" R.U.D.
- B. **Rollers:** Electrogalvanized or epoxy primed steel or extruded-aluminum tube of diameter and wall thickness required to support and fit internal components of operating system and the weight and width of shade band material without sagging; designed to be easily removable from support brackets; with manufacturer's standard method for attaching shade material.
- C. **Installations** with a single row of aligned rollers are either regular or reverse roll. Installations with a double row of queued or overlapping rollers can be the same roll or opposite. Coordinate direction of roll with fascia and pocket design.
- D. **Mounting Brackets:** Chrome-plated steel, 1/8-inch minimum thickness or as required to support 150 percent of the full weight of the shade.
- E. **Fascia:** L-shaped, formed-steel sheet or extruded aluminum; long edges returned or rolled; continuous panel concealing front and bottom of shade roller, brackets, and operating hardware and operators; length as indicated on Drawings; removable design for access.
- F. **Top/Back Cover:** L shaped; material and finish to match fascia; combining with fascia and end caps to form a six-sided headbox enclosure sized to fit shade roller and operating hardware inside.

- G. **Pocket-Style Headbox:** U-shaped, formed-steel sheet or extruded aluminum; long edges returned or rolled; with a bottom cover consisting of slot opening of minimum dimension to allow lowering and raising of shade and a removable or openable, continuous metal access panel concealing shade roller, brackets, and operating hardware and operators within.
- H. **Bottom Bar:** Extruded aluminum. Provide concealed, by pocket of shade material, internal-type bottom bar with concealed weight bar as required for smooth, properly balanced shade operation.
- I. **Manual Shade Operation:** Continuous loop bead chain, clutch, and cord tensioner and bracket lift operator.
 - 1. Clutch: Capacity to lift size and weight of shade; sized to fit roller or provide adaptor.
 - 2. Lift Assist Mechanism: Manufacturer's standard spring assist for balancing roller shade weight and lifting heavy roller shades.
 - 3. Loop Length: Length required to make operation convenient from floor level.
 - 4. Bead Chain: Stainless steel.

2.3 ROLLER SHADE FABRICATION

- A. **Product Description:** Roller shade consisting of a roller, a means of supporting the roller, a flexible sheet or band of material carried by the roller, a means of attaching the material to the roller, a bottom bar, and an operating mechanism that lifts and lowers the shade.
- B. **Concealed Components:** Noncorrodible or corrosion-resistant-coated materials.
 - 1. Lifting Mechanism: With permanently lubricated moving parts.
- C. **Installation Brackets:** Designed for easy removal and reinstallation of shade, for supporting fascia, roller, and operating hardware and for hardware position and shade mounting method indicated.
- D. **Color-Coated Finish:** For metal components exposed to view, apply manufacturer's standard baked finish complying with manufacturer's written instructions for surface preparation including pretreatment, application, baking, and minimum dry film thickness.
- E. **Colors of Metal and Plastic Components Exposed to View:** As selected by Architect from manufacturer's full range, unless otherwise indicated.

PART 3 - EXECUTION

3.1 EXAMINATION

- A. **Examine substrates,** areas, and conditions, with Installer present, for compliance with requirements for installation tolerances, operational clearances, and other conditions affecting performance. Proceed with installation only after unsatisfactory conditions have been corrected.

3.2 ROLLER SHADE INSTALLATION

- A. **Install roller shades level,** plumb, square, and true according to manufacturer's written instructions, and located so shade band is not closer than 2 inches to interior face of glass. Allow clearances for window operation hardware.

3.3 ADJUSTING

- A. **Adjust and balance roller shades** to operate smoothly, easily, safely, and free from binding or malfunction throughout entire operational range.

3.4 CLEANING AND PROTECTION

- A. **Clean roller shade surfaces** after installation, according to manufacturer's written instructions.
- B. **Provide final protection and maintain conditions**, in a manner acceptable to manufacturer and Installer, that ensure that roller shades are without damage or deterioration at time of Substantial Completion.
- C. **Replace damaged roller shades** that cannot be repaired, in a manner approved by Architect, before time of Substantial Completion.

3.5 DEMONSTRATION

- A. **Engage a factory-authorized service representative** to train Owner's maintenance personnel to adjust, operate, and maintain shades.

END OF SECTION