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PRODUCT EVALUATED: Durarail Glass Infill Rail System With 2-1/2 in. Post EVALUATION PROPERTY: Load Requirements

Report of Glass Infill Aluminum Rail System for compliance with the applicable requirements of the following criteria: 2006 International Building Code, Section 1607.7

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2 Introduction

Intertek Testing Services NA Ltd. (Intertek) has conducted a test program for Excell Railing Systems Ltd. on the 2-1/2 inch post Durarail glass infill guard rail system. The evaluation was carried out to determine whether the guard would meet the loads specified in 2006 International Building Code (IBC), Section 1607.7. The evaluation was conducted in the month of April 2007.

3 Test Samples

3.1. SAMPLE SELECTION

The client submitted the sample guard rail specimen to the Evaluation Center on April 3, 2007 without a pretest inspection by an accredited third party agency.

3.2. SAMPLE AND ASSEMBLY DESCRIPTION

The railing system consisted of the following materials and connections (refer to drawings in Appendix B):

Post:

2 1/2 in. x 2 1/2 in. 6063-T5 extruded aluminum post.

Base Plate (deck):

4 in. x 4 in. x 3/8 in. 6061-T6 aluminum base plate with 4 mounting holes.

Top Rails:

42 in. high, 6063-T5 aluminum rail.

Glass Infill:

1/4 in. tempered glass panel.

Connections:

Connection details are provided in Appendix B.

Note:

Post to sub-structure fastener evaluation is beyond the scope of this report. Four 3/8 inch Grade 5 bolts were used to install deck mount posts.

4 Testing and Evaluation Methods

Test specimen was loaded at a rate to achieve the specified loads between 10 seconds and 5 minutes. The specified test loads were held for one minute before the load was released. As per Section 1607.7 of the 2006 International Building Code, the following tests were conducted:

4.1. GENERAL (Clause 1607.7)

One complete railing system, consisting of two posts, was tested at maximum spacing and in the worst-case scenario.

4.2. IN-FILL LOAD TEST (Clause 1607.7.1.2)

A load consisting of 200 lbs. was applied over 1 sq. ft. (0.0929 m²) normal to the in-fill in a worst-case scenario. This load incorporated the required 4 times safety factor for glass in-fill.



4.3. UNIFORM LOAD TEST (Clause 1607.7.1)

A load consisting of 175 lbf/ft was applied across the top rail of the system in a 45° vectored direction.

4.4. CONCENTRATED LOAD TEST (Clause 1607.7.1.1)

Two separate tests were conducted where the proof load of 500 lbf was applied at the center of the top rail and at the top rail adjacent to the post.

5 Testing and Evaluation Results

5.1. RESULTS AND OBSERVATIONS

The product test results are shown in Table 1 below and the test data sheet is located in Appendix A.

Table 1. Test Results					
System Description	System Height (inches)	Maximum Post to Post Center Spacing (inches)	Test	Compliance	
6 ft. Glass Rail	42		In-fill load	Complied	
System with 2.5 in.		72	Uniform Load	Complied	
Post			Concentrated Load	Complied	

6 Conclusion

The Durarail glass infill guard rail system identified in this test report has complied with the loads specified in 2006 International Building Code, Section 1607.7 as presented in Section 5 of this test report.

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APPENDIX A: Test Data (1 page)



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Test:

2006 IBC

Date:

5-Apr-07

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Project: 3121232

Eng/Tech: Riccardo DeSantis

Client:

Excell Railing Systems Ltd.

Product: Post Spacing: 6 ft Glass (6 mm) 2-1/2 in Aluminum Post System

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ft

1.83 m

Effective Length:

ft

1.83 m

Height of Guard:

42 in

Opening in Guard:

1067 mm

1.75 in

44 mm

Method:

2006 Internation Building Code Section 1607.7 Handrails and Guards

2006 Internation Building Code Section 1714.3.1 Handrails and Guards

Safety Factor:

2.5

Equipment:

Revere 2000 lbf load cell ID # 2773 calibration due August, 2007

Note (*) Safety Factor of 4 times shall be used as per Section 2407 1.1

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Test	Design Load (Inward/ Outward) (lbf)	Factored Load (lbf)	Calculated Moment (Ibf-ft)	Equivalent Quarter- Point Load (lbf)	Required Proof Load (lbf)	Pass/Fail
In-fill Load Test	50	200 *	-	-	200 *	Pass
Uniform Load Test (per ft) 45 deg	70	175	788	525	1050	Pass
Midspan Concentrated Load	200	500	-	-	500	Pass
Top of Post Concentrated Load	200	500	-	-	500	Pass

Test	Design Load (Inward/ Outward) (kN)	Factored Load (kN)	Calculated Moment (kNm)	Equivalent Quarter- Point Load (kN)	Required Proof Load (kN)	Pass/Fail
In-fill Load Test	0.22	0.89		-	0.89	Pass
Uniform Load Test (per m)	1.02	2.55	1.07	2.34	4.67	Pass
Midspan Concentrated Load	0.89	2.22	-		2.22	Pass
Top of Post Concentrated Load	0.89	2.22	1	_	2.22	Pass

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APPENDIX B: Drawings (2 pages)





