

**SECTION 08 31 13**  
**ACCESS DOORS AND FRAMES**

**PART 1 - GENERAL**

**1.1 DESCRIPTION**

- A. Section specifies access doors or panels.

**1.2 RELATED WORK**

- A. Wire mesh and screen access doors: Section 05 50 00, METAL FABRICATIONS.
- B. Lock Cylinders: Section 08 71 00, DOOR HARDWARE.
- C. Access doors in gypsum board ceilings: Section 09 29 00, ACOUSTICAL CEILING.
- D. Locations of access doors for duct work cleanouts: Section 23 31 00, HVAC DUCT AND CASINGS.

**1.3 SUBMITTALS**

- A. Submit in accordance with Section 01 33 23, SHOP DRAWINGS, PRODUCT DATA, AND SAMPLES.
- B. Shop Drawings: Access doors, each type, showing construction, location and installation details.
- C. Manufacturer's Literature and Data: Access doors, each type.

**1.4 APPLICABLE PUBLICATIONS**

- A. Publications listed below form a part of this specification to extent referenced. Publications are referenced in the text by basic designation only.
- B. American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM):
  - A167-99.....Stainless and Heat-Resisting Chromium-Nickel Steel Plate, Sheet and Strip
  - A1008-03.....Steel Sheet, Cold-Rolled, Carbon, Structural, High Strength Low-Alloy
- C. American Welding Society (AWS):
  - D1.3-98.....Structural Welding Code Sheet Steel
- D. National Fire Protection Association (NFPA):
  - 80-99.....Fire Doors and Windows
- E. The National Association of Architectural Metal Manufacturers (NAAMM):
  - AMP 500 Series.....Metal Finishes Manual
- F. Underwriters Laboratories, Inc. (UL):
  - Fire Resistance Directory

**PART 2 - PRODUCTS**

**2.1 FABRICATION, GENERAL**

- A. Fabricate components to be straight, square, flat and in same plane where required.

1. Slightly round exposed edges and without burrs, snags and sharp edges.
  2. Exposed welds continuous and ground smooth.
  3. Weld in accordance with AWS D1.3.
- B. Number of locks and non-continuous hinges as required to maintain alignment of panel with frame.
- C. Provide anchors or make provisions in frame for anchoring to adjacent construction. Provide size, number and location of anchors on four sides to secure access door in opening.

## **2.2 ACCESS DOORS, FLUSH PANEL**

- A. Door Panel:
1. Form of 1.9 mm (0.0747 inch) thick steel 1.5 mm (0.0598 inch) thick stainless steel sheet.
  2. Reinforce to maintain flat surface.
- B. Frame
1. Form of 1.5 mm (0.0598 inch) thick steel stainless steel sheet of depth and configuration to suit material and type of construction where installed.
  2. Provide surface mounted units having frame flange at perimeter where installed in concrete, masonry, or gypsum board construction.
  3. Weld exposed joints in flange and grind smooth.
  4. Provide expanded galvanized metal lath perimeter wings when installed in plaster except veneer plaster.
- C. Hinge:
1. Concealed spring hinge to allow panel to open 175 degrees.
  2. Provide removable hinge pin to allow removal of panel from frame.
- D. Lock:
1. Flush, screwdriver operated cam lock.

## **2.3 FINISH**

- A. Provide in accordance with NAAMM AMP 500 series on exposed surfaces.
- B. Steel Surfaces: Baked-on prime coat over a protective phosphate coating.
- C. Stainless Steel: No. 4 for exposed surfaces (for panels in wet areas or ceramic tile surfaces).

## **2.4 SIZE**

- A. Minimum 600 mm (24 inches) square door unless otherwise shown or required to suit opening in suspension system of ceiling.

## **PART 3 - EXECUTION**

### **3.1 LOCATION**

- A. Provide access panels or doors wherever any valves, traps, dampers, cleanouts, and other control items of mechanical and electrical work are

concealed in wall or partition, or are above ceiling of gypsum board or plaster.

- B. Use flush panels in partitions and gypsum board walls.

### **3.2 INSTALLATION, GENERAL**

- A. Install access doors in openings to have sides vertical in wall installations, and parallel to ceiling suspension grid or side walls when installed in ceiling.
- B. Set frames so that edge of frames without flanges will finish flush with surrounding finish surfaces.
- C. Set frames with flanges to overlap opening and so that face will be uniformly spaced from the finish surface.

### **3.3 ANCHORAGE**

- A. Secure frames to adjacent construction using anchors attached to frames or by use of bolts or screws through the frame members.
- B. Type, size and number of anchoring device suitable for the material surrounding the opening, maintain alignment, and resist displacement during normal use of access door.

### **3.4 ADJUSTMENT**

- A. Adjust hardware so that door panel will open freely.
- B. Adjust door when closed so door panel is centered in the frame.

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