

SECTION 01 10 10
SPECIAL PROCESSES FOR HISTORIC PRESERVATION

PART 1 GENERAL

1.1 DESCRIPTION

- A. This Project has been designed in compliance with the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties (revised 1995), and must be completed consistent with the design.
- B. General contractor and relevant sub-contractors should have at least five years of experience working on historic buildings, or five significant historic preservation projects, and work must follow the procedures outlined in the National Park Service's Technical Preservation Briefs, which are included in their entirety by their reference here, and referred to specifically in the relevant specification sections.
- C. The contractor shall recognize that all aspects and elements of the property may potentially contribute to the historic significance of the property, and the contractor shall not be the judge of the relative significance of any feature. This judgment is entirely the responsibility of the owner. Consequently, no element shall be altered, removed, refused or taken from the premises without the approval of the owner or the owner's representative as being consistent with the requirements of the contract documents.

1.2 RELATED WORK

- A. Sections relevant to the preservation of historic elements
 - 1. Section 01 00 00, General Requirements
 - 2. Section 02 41 00, Demolition
 - 3. Section 04 05 31, Masonry Tuck Pointing
 - 4. Section 08 50 00, Restoration of Historic Wood Doors and Windows
 - 5. Section 31 20 11, Earth Moving

1.3 DEFINITIONS

DISASSEMBLE: Carefully take apart materials (or components) that are to be salvaged and stored.

REMOVE: Take away materials that are not to be salvaged and dispose of them in a proper and legal manner.

1.4 QUALITY ASSURANCE/FIRE SAFETY

A. The following safeguards shall be observed in performing hot work, such as welding, cutting, soldering, brazing, and other operations where open flames or implements utilizing heat are used.

B. Regulatory Requirements

1. The contractor shall ensure that operations involving the use of open-flame or electrical ARC equipment are not conducted until a GSA Form 1755; Permit for Welding, Cutting, and Burning has been completed and signed by the Project Manager each day such activity is to occur.
2. Prior to commencing operations, a positive determination shall be made if it is impractical to conduct the hot work in a shop area or outside of the building. This determination shall be made by the Client and Architect, in consultation with the Construction Project Manager.
3. Prior to operations, if hot-work is judged necessary, the job site shall be visited and suitable locations established for the portable equipment during actual operations and storage during non-working hours. The responsible supervisor for the Contractor, the Client and the Architect shall confer and decide upon such locations with the Client's decision being final in event of disagreement.
4. The Contractor shall notify the Client and the Architect of the area of operations for each day and of all subsequent changes that occur. This is necessary to assure inspection of all areas.

5. The Contractor shall notify the Client and the Architect of all locations where hot work is to be performed no later than the morning the work is to be performed.
6. Before operations commence, the Contractor shall furnish personnel to serve as a fire watch (or watches) for location(s) where hot work is to be done. (One fire watcher may observe several locations in a relatively small contiguous area if approved by the Client and Architect.) Each fire watch shall have a Contractor-furnished, suitable type, fully charged, operable fire extinguisher. The Contractor is responsible that the fire watcher knows how to operate the fire extinguisher and how to turn on a fire alarm and/or summon the fire department.
 - a. Check the opposite side of walls, floors, ceilings, or roofs before starting operations and take suitable precautions to minimize the hazard for a fire starting or communicating to the opposite side from operations.

C. COMBUSTIBLE MATERIALS

1. Hot work shall not be done in or near rooms or in areas where flammable liquids or explosive vapors are present or thought to be present. In the latter case, a combustible gas indicator (explosimeter) test shall be made to assure that the area is safe. The Contractor is responsible for arranging for such test and he shall bear such charges as may be incurred.
2. Insofar as possible, the Contractor shall remove and keep the area free from all combustibles, i.e., rubbish, paper, waste, etc., within a twenty-five (25) foot radius from operations.
3. If combustible material cannot be removed, the Contractor shall furnish fireproof blankets and cover such materials with them, insuring that no openings exist into which sparks can penetrate. At the direction of the Client, wood floors, walls, and ceiling shall be wet down thoroughly with water before, during, and after operations to afford adequate protection. NOTE: TAKE SPECIAL CARE NOT TO DAMAGE HISTORIC WOOD FABRIC DURING THIS PROCESS. CONSULT FIRE PROTECTION ENGINEER FOR TECHNICAL ADVICE AND SHPO ON HISTORIC PRESERVATION MATTERS BEFORE PERFORMING THIS WORK.

4. Where possible, the Contractor shall furnish and use baffles of metal or gypsum board to prevent the spraying of sparks, hot slag, etc., into surrounding combustible material.

D. SAFETY MEASURES

1. The Contractor shall prevent the extension of sparks and particles of hot metal through open windows, doors, holes, and cracks in floors, walls, ceilings, roofs, and the like.
2. Where cylinders of gas are used in hot work, they shall be placed a safe distance from work. The Contractor shall check hoses and equipment for deterioration, malfunction, and leaks prior to starting operations. He shall provide suitable supports to prevent accidental overturning of cylinders. All cylinder control valves shall be shut off while the equipment is unattended. Acetylene cylinders shall be in an upright position while in use with the gas pressure regulator set at 15 psi or less.
3. When hot work operations are completed or ended for the day, each location of the day's work shall be inspected by the supervisor representative of the Contractor not sooner than thirty (30) minutes after completion of operations to detect hidden or smoldering fires and to insure that proper housekeeping is maintained.
4. If any of the above safeguards are not employed, or are violated, the Client may by verbal command, followed by written notice, stop the work until compliance is obtained. Such stoppage shall not relieve the Contractor from performing his work within the contract period for the contract price.

PART 2 PRODUCTS

Not Used.

PART 3 EXECUTION

Not Used.

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