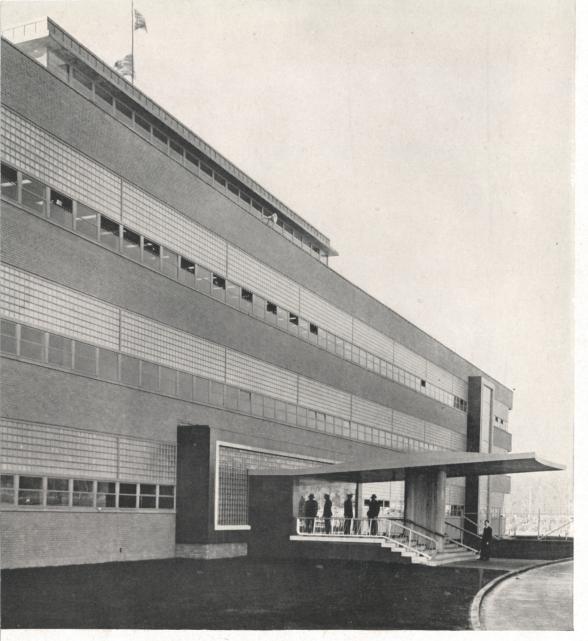


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# INSULUX GLASS BLOCK

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The Sperry Gyroscope Company's plant at Lake Success, L. I., N. Y.—built during the war—is the world's largest glass block job, using almost three-quarters of a million Insulux Glass Block. Nembhard N. Culin, designer.

# Basic Properties of Insulux Glass Block

Insulux Glass Block is used in thousands of buildings because of its superior light transmitting characteristics, its high insulation value, low sound transmission, its capacity to reduce air infiltration, and because of its permanence and low maintenance.

**Light**—Because Insulux Glass Block is a hollow glass unit having four surfaces into which designs can be impressed, it can be designed and made to direct and control the light which it transmits.

Insulation—High insulation value is an advantage in both summer and winter. Heat loss through glass block is less than half of that through windows. This means lower heating costs, greater comfort and less condensation on glass areas.

In summer, Insulux transmits less than half as much solar heat as single-glazed sash.

**Permanence and Low Maintenance** — Glass Block panels are built of durable glass and mortar with some steel reinforcing—no exposed steel, nothing to rot or corrode. They require no painting.

Infiltration — Properly installed, Insulux Glass Block panels eliminate almost all the infiltration of air, dust and dirt, thus reducing interior maintenance costs.

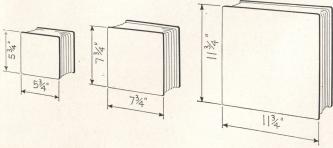
**Sound Transmission**—Glass block has a sound reduction factor that approximates the better class of fire-proof partitions typically used in fire-proof buildings.

For detailed technical information see Pages 11, 26 and 27.

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# **GLASS BLOCK**

### **Three Standard Sizes**



### ALL 37/8" THICK

Insulux Glass Blocks are made in three sizes:  $5\frac{3}{4}$ " square,  $7\frac{3}{4}$ " square and  $11\frac{3}{4}$ " square, with supplementary corner and radial blocks.

Laid with \( \frac{1}{4}\)" mortar joints, these sizes conform to accepted modular design systems. For complete information on designs and sizes, see pages 12 and 13.

# Two Ways to Erect

### 1. SET-IN-MORTAR

The common method of erecting both interior and exterior panels of Insulux Glass Block is to lay the blocks in mortar. Their corrugated edges and rough mortar bond coating give the block a good "grip" on the mortar, making them easy to lay. When set,

the corrugations have a greater contact with the mortar than a straight surface, thus making a strong panel. Full details in specifications on pages 24 and 25.

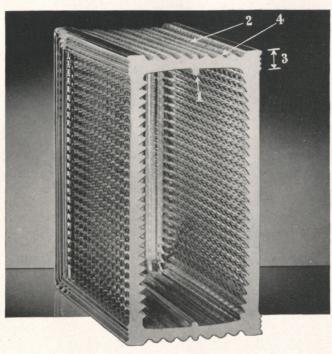


# 2. SET-IN-WOOD

(For Interior Partitions Only)

A prefabricated construction system, "Insulux set-in-wood", may be used in place of the conventional mortar for the erection of glass block in interior partitions. While panels so constructed do not have all the advantages—

such as a high sound reduction value and fire resistance—that panels set in mortar have, the system does permit easy dismantling and re-erection with complete salvage of block (see page 23 for erection details).



CROSS-SECTION OF BLOCK

- 1. Hermetically sealed unit.
- 2. Corrugated bearing edges.
- 3. Rim prevents edge glare.
- 4. Mortar bond coating.

# Description

Insulux Glass Block is a hollow, partially evacuated block made of water-clear pressed glass, hermetically sealed when manufactured. It is coated on the corrugated mortar-bearing surfaces with a gritty mortar bond.

Insulux Glass Blocks are made in a variety of designs for functional, decorative or general-purpose use. Functional blocks control the direction of light as well as distribution and diffusion. Decorative blocks are used where design is most important. General-purpose blocks are for use where direct light transmission is required.

# Acceptance

Characteristics of Insulux Glass Block have been investigated at Purdue, Columbia, Leland Stanford, Jr., and Michigan universities, the National Bureau of Standards and the Underwriters' Laboratories, Chicago. Official approval conforming to Owens-Illinois specifications has been given by code authorities in most cities and states; West Coast codes require smaller panel areas and additional reinforcing.



One of America's largest manufacturers of paper boxes uses Insulux because it helps control inside humidity and temperature-

Permanency—Because it is unaffected by moisture, and doesn't deteriorate under adverse conditions, Insulux gives industry real maintenance savings. Its high insulating qualities result in lowered fuel or airconditioning costs.



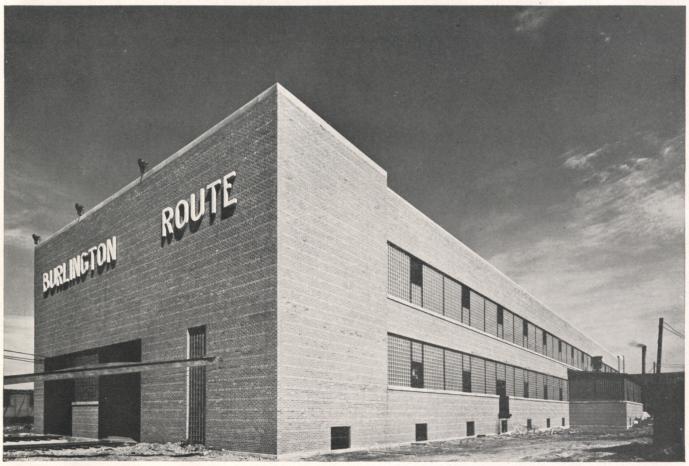
Miles' Laboratories—well known manufacturer of proprietary medicine, Elkhart, Ind. Insulux Nos. 351 and 350 used.



Kansas Flour Mills—North Kansas City, Mo., recently replaced all their out-worn windows with Glass Block Panels.

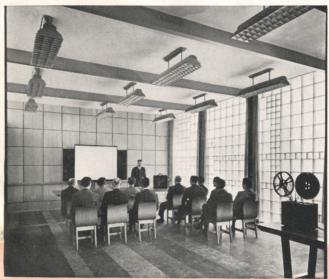
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# **GLASS BLOCK**



Diesel Repair Shops of the Burlington Lines, at Clyde, Ill. Architect, C. B. & Q. Engineering Dept.

Light—Designers of Industrial Buildings can give their clients beneficial, economical daylight with Glass Block, and still maintain adequate control of inside temperature and humidity. No shading is required—daylight distribution is uniform, excessive glare is eliminated and shadows reduced to a minimum.



Conference Room in Benjamin Electric's new Product Development Laboratory at Des Plaines, Ill. Architect, Perkins and Will, Chicago, Ill.



Northern Pacific R. R. repair shop Brainerd, Minn., Architect, Toltz, King & Day, Inc., St. Paul, Minn.



Offices of Insulaire Corporation—at Beverly Hills, Cal., use Insulux Number 317 for light in office entrance.





Foster's Restaurant, San Francisco, conceals an awkward structural column with illuminated Insulux Number 350.



Lobby of Normandy Theatre, New York City. Architect, Rosario Candela, N. Y. C.

Offices of Artek Pascoe, New York City. Ketchum, Gina & Sharp, N. Y. C., Architects.

**Privacy**—Because it transmits light without sacrifice of privacy, Glass Block is ideal for offices and partitions. Small rooms can be made to seem more spacious and cheerful by building one or more walls of Insulux.



Radio Station KSOO, at Sioux Falls, S. D., uses Insulux in its studios—because of high sound-retarding qualities.



Bakersville Sandstone Brick Co., Bakersfield, Cal.. Architect, Chas. H. Biggar & Associates.

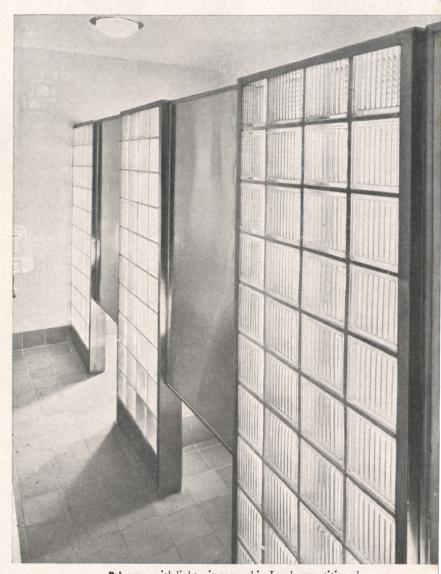


Offices of B. F. Goodrich Company, Cleveland, Ohio. Architect, Bonfield & Cumming.

**Easily Maintained**—The easy-cleaning qualities of Insulux promote a high degree of sanitation and cut redecoration costs. It keeps out dust and dirt, thus lowering losses through spoilage.



Poulsen & Nardon, Inc., Los Angeles, California. Architects & Engineers, The Austin Company, of Cleveland.



**Privacy**—with light—is assured in Insulux-partitioned toilets and bathrooms. Cleaning is easy.

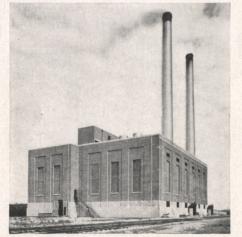


Hutzler Bros. Co., Department Store at Baltimore, Md. Architect, James R. Edmunds, Jr.



Bakersfield Hall of Records, Bakersfield, California. Architect, Frank Wynkoop.

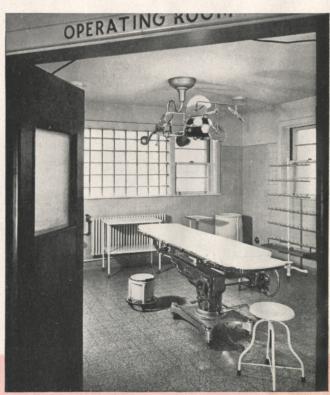
**Public buildings,** hospitals, power plants, filtration plants, armories, sewage disposal plants and service buildings find Insulux a permanent material that requires little or no maintenance.



Hutsonville, Ill., Power Station. Engineers, Sargent and Lundy, Chicago, Ill.



**Croyden Apartments,** Washington, D. C. Architects, Berla & Abel, Washington.



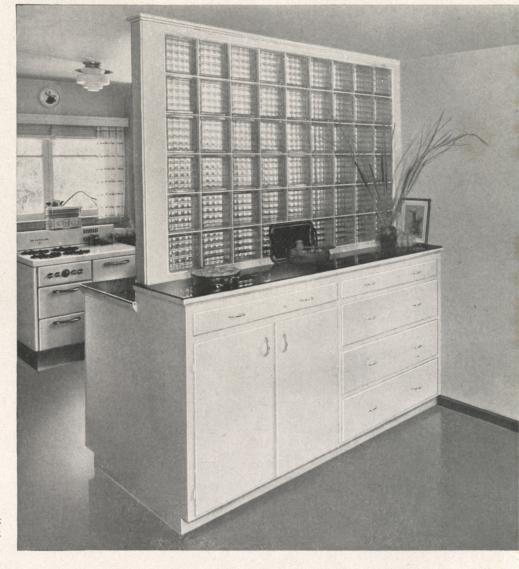
**Sylacauga Hospital**, Sylacauga, Ala. Architect, Chas. H. McCauley, Birmingham.



In the bath, Insulux is easy to clean. Ribbed-face blocks assure complete privacy.

Brighter Homes with Insulux Glass Block. Used in combination with windows it provides privacy—yet allows the larger total glass areas needed for modern and cheerful living.

**Kitchens** are brighter with Insulux used over-the-stove, over-the-sink or as a light-giving partition.

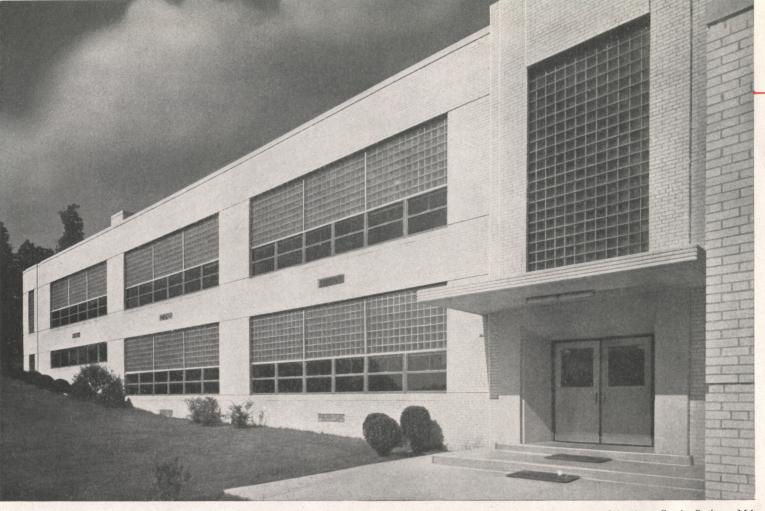




Where lot-lines are narrow and houses are close, Insulux Panels give privacy without the need for shades.



Stair-landings and hallways with Insulux are cleaner, lighter—have fewer chilling drafts.

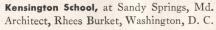




Corridors and Locker Rooms—with Insulux—are light, and have a much lowered heat-loss in winter.



It resists breakage and gives evenly-distributed daylight for gyms, fieldhouses and auditoriums.



**Schools**— Studies by lighting engineers demonstrate that Insulux Prismatic Glass Block combined with windows provides an ideal solution for classroom lighting. This type of block refracts light upward to the ceiling, which redirects it down on the child's task.



Beall Jr. & Sr. High School, Frostburg, Md. Architect, Robert Hitchins, Cumberland, Md.

# **Utilization of Daylight**

The problem of utilizing daylight is illustrated in (a) and (b) at the right. Photograph (a) shows a beam of light passing through a single sheet of glass, which does not control or change the direction of the light. Diagram (b) shows the effect of such lighting: too much light near the outside wall, too little at the far side of the room. To reduce the light to a brightness that can be tolerated, shading, painting or figured glass have been used as control methods. The result: questionable glare control, poor distribution and greatly reduced illumination.

# No. 351 Prismatic Block

A new approach to the problem has been made by research at the University of Michigan. By utilizing the four faces of a glass block, patterns have been developed for accurate daylight control.

Picture (c) shows how prismatic block No. 351 changes the direction of the light, turning it upward. Picture (e) at left shows how block No. 350 diffuses light. Diagram (d) illustrates how these two blocks control light in a room. The No. 351 block used in the upper part of the panel direct the light toward the ceiling. The ceiling acts as a huge reflector to re-direct the light downward to the working surface. Because most of the light transmitted by this block is directed upward, the block viewed from below has a greatly reduced brightness.



No. 350 block spreads light evenly through horizontal plane.

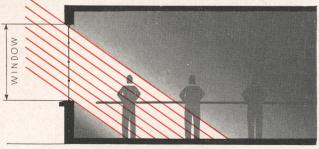
### No. 350 Block

Since the No. 351 block is designed for use only above the eye level, the lower part of the panel is constructed of Block No. 350. This block transmits somewhat less light than No. 351 but has a low brightness regardless of its location (high or low) in the panel.

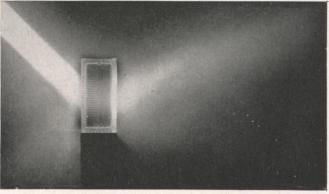
Insulux Glass Blocks No. 350 and 351 are recommended for offices, laboratories, precision manufacturing plants and classrooms, or wherever lower brightness and control of daylight are of maximum importance. To secure the maximum efficiency with these blocks, upper walls and ceilings should be light in color. They are manufactured in 73/4" size only. Where less precise light control is needed, other Insulux designs with different light characteristics may be used (see pages 12 and 13).



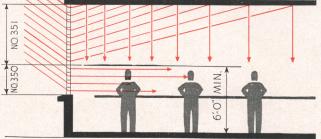
(a) Photograph of path of light through glass. Glass does not change the direction of principal beam.



(b) Light through window or unglazed opening. Distribution uneven. Shading is required to reduce glare.



(c) Photograph of light-path through No. 351 Block. Prismatic structures change direction of light.



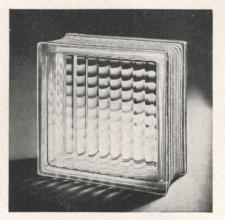
(d) Red lines show how a combination panel of blocks No. 350 and No. 351 directs light. Light is well distributed, brightness of the lighting source, the panel, greatly reduced. Windows may be substituted for No. 350 block in the lower part of the panel if vision required.

# DESIGNS, SIZES AND DESCRIPTION



**DESIGN NO. 7** 

An easily-cleaned, smooth-face block with parallel convex ribs on both interior faces. Gives high light transmission, limited privacy. No matching corner. Use corners 216-C, 316-C, Radial 316-R. Lay exterior ribs vertical to match corners and radials.



**DESIGN NO. 16** 

A smooth-face block with convex interior ribs running vertically one face, horizontally on the other. For decorative and lighting effects. Gives a fair degree of privacy. Lay exterior ribs vertical to match corners No. 216-C, 316-C and radial No. 316-R.



**DESIGN NO. 17** 

A highly decorative, smooth-face block with concave flutes running vertically one face, horizontally on the other. Gives high light transmission with limited very privacy. Lay exterior ribs vertical to match corner No. 217-C, 317-C and radial 317-R.

No. 207—5¾" x 5¾" x 3¾"	No. 216—5¾" x 5¾" x 3½"	No. 217—5¾" x 5¾" x 3½"
No. 307—73/4" x 73/4" x 31/8"	No. 316—73/4" x 73/4" x 37/8"	No. 317—7¾" x 7¾" x 3½"
No. 407—11¾" x 11¾" x 3¾"	No. 416—11¾" x 11¾" x 3¾"	No. 417—1134" x 1134" x 37/8"

В	LOCK DI	MENSION	S
	SQUARE	CORNER	RADIAL
200 SERIES 5¾ x 5¾ x 3½ "	* EV	£74	
	5 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub> ,	5 <sup>3</sup> 4" RAD.	
300 SERIES 7¾*x7¾*x3¾*	734"	73,"	734
	734	5 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub> " RAD	81/2
400 SERIES ॥¾"×॥¾"×3%"	134"   134"	Use two 200 Series Corner Blocks	



**CORNER BLOCKS** 

Designs to match standard block patterns listed below. Made in  $5\frac{3}{4}$ " and  $7\frac{3}{4}$ " heights only. All ribs are vertical on exterior faces. Use two  $5\frac{3}{4}$ " high blocks with the  $11\frac{3}{4}$ " x  $11\frac{3}{4}$ " blocks.

200 SERIES (53/4"x 53/4")	300 SERIES $(7^3/4'' \times 7^3/4'')$	400 SERIES (113/4" x 113/4")
216-C	316-C	USE TWO
217-C	317-C	200 SERIES
230-C	330-C	CORNER
240-C	340-C	BLOCKS
	350-C	



**DESIGN NO. 30** 

A smooth-face, highly decorative pattern with high light transmission but a low degree of privacy. Distinctive design permits laying without regard to pattern. Has matching corner blocks, No. 230-C and 330-C.



**DESIGN NO. 40** 

A ribbed face block offering a very high degree of privacy. Face ribs are shallow for easy cleaning. All four faces have parallel ribs. Both interior faces have stippled surfaces. Lay with ribs vertical to match corner blocks No. 240-C and 340-C.



DESIGN NO. 370\*

Both interior and exterior faces are smooth to permit a limited degree of vision thru the block. May be inset in other patterns for general vision to the outside, but must be shaded when used on sun exposures. In one size,  $7\frac{3}{4}$ " x  $7\frac{3}{4}$ " x  $7\frac{3}{8}$ " only.



No. 230-53/4" x 53/4" x 37/8"

No. 330—7¾" x 7¾" x 3¾"

No. 430—11¾" x 11¾" x 3¾"



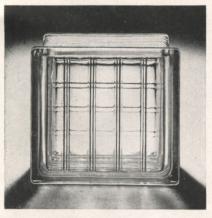
No. 240-53/4" x 53/4" x 37/8"

No. 340—73/4" x 73/4" x 37/8"

No. 440-1134" x 1134" x 378"



No. 370-73/4" x 73/4" x 37/8"

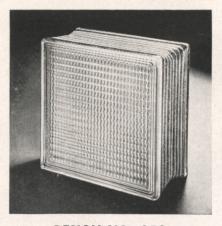


### RADIAL BLOCKS

Designs to match standard block patterns listed below. For use with 7¾" standard blocks only. Minimum radius 2'-5". Ribs vertical on long face. May be combined with standard blocks on long radii to reduce cost.

200 SERIES (53/4" x 53/4"	300 SERIES $(7^3/4'' \times 7^3/4'')$	400 SERIES (113/4" x 113/4")
NOT M'FD.	316-R 317-R 350-R	NOT M'FD.

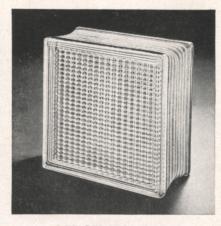
SEE RADIAL LAYING TABLE, PAGE 14



**DESIGN NO. 350** 

Ribbed-face—designed primarily for severe sun exposures. Complete privacy. Use alone or combine with No. 351. Horizontal ribs exterior—lay "top" up as marked. One size: 7¾" x 7¾" x 3¾". Matching corner No. 350-C, radial 350-R. Diffusing qualities for decorative or artificial illumination effects.

**DESIGN NO. 354**—Similar in appearance to Nos. 350 and 351. For use on north exposures where 350 and 351 used on sun exposures.



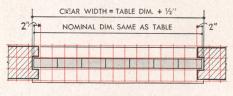
DESIGN NO. 351

A functional block designed to direct light above the horizontal, to the ceiling for reflection deep into room (see photograph below). Use above eye-level. Has vertical ribs on exterior faces. Lay only as marked. Made in one size only:  $7\frac{3}{4}$ " x  $7\frac{3}{4}$ " x  $3\frac{7}{4}$ ".



# **Dimension Table**

To determine clear opening size for glass block panels use dimensions given below and add  $\frac{1}{2}$ " for the width and  $\frac{15}{16}$ " for the height. For modular layout a  $\frac{1}{4}$ " mortar joint is required.





		PLAN		SECTION	1			
	53/4	" x 53/4"	73/4	"×73/4"	113/	4" x 1134"	-	
No.	HEIGH	HEIGHT OR WIDTH HEIGHT OR WIDTH				HEIGHT OR WIDTH		
OF	1/4"	3/16"	1/4"	3/16′′	1/4"	3/16"	١	
UNITS	JOINTS	JOINTS	JOINTS	JOINTS	JOINTS	JOINTS	١	
1	6''	515/16''	8′′	715/16"	1'-0''	1115/16	١	
2	1'-0"	117/8"	1'-4"		2'-0"		١	
3.	1'-6"		2'-0"				١	
4	2'-0''	1'-1134''	2'-8"		4'-0"			
5	2'-6"	2'- 511/16"	3'-4"	3'- 311/16"	5'-0"	4'-11 1/16"		
6	3'-0"	2'-115/8''	4'-0"		6'-0"		ı	
7	3'-6"		4'-8"		7'-0"		ı	
8	4'-0"		5'-4"		8'-0"		ı	
9	4'-6"	4'- 57/16"	6'-0"		9'-0"		١	
10	5'-0''	4'-113/8''	6'-8''	6'- 73/8''	10'-0''	9'-113/8''		
11	5'-6"	5'- 55/16"	7'-4"			10'-115/16"	ı	
12	6'-0"		8'-0"		12'-0"		ı	
13	6'-6"	6'- 53/16"	8'-8"	8'- 73/16"	13'-0"		ı	
14	7'-0"	6'-111/8"	9'-4"	9'- 31/8"	14'-0	13'-111/8"	ı	
						į.	ı	
15	7'-6"	7'- 51/16"	10'-0"	9'-11 1/16"	15'-0"	14'-11 1/16"	ı	
16	8'-0"			10'- 7"	16'-0"		ı	
17	8'-6"	THE RESERVE OF THE PARTY OF THE	11'-4"	11'- 215/16"	17'-0"	16'-1015/16"		
18	9'-0"		12'-0"	11'-101/8"	18'-0"	17'-101/8'		
19	9'-6"	9'- 413/16"	12'-8"	12'- 613/16"	19'-0"	18'-1013/16"		
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20	10'-0"		13'-4"	13'- 23/4"	Value Charles	19'-1034''	1	
21		10'- 41 /16"	14'-0''	13'-10 1/16"		20'-10 1/16"		
22		10'-105/8''	14'-8"	14'- 65/8"	22′-0′′	21'-105/8''		
23		11'- 49/16"	15'-4"	15'- 29/16"	23'-0''	22'-109/16"		
24	12'-0''	11'-101/2''	16'-0''	15'-101/2''	24'-0''	23'-101/2''		
25	12'-6"	12'- 47/16"	16'-8"	16'- 67/16"	25'-0''			
26	13'-0"	12'-103/8"	17'-4"	17'- 23/8"	26'-0''	25'-103/8''		
27	13'-6"	13'- 45/16"	18'-0"	17'-105/16"	27'-0''	26'-105/16"		
28	14'-0"	13'-101/4"	18'-8"	18'- 61/4"	28'-0''	27'-101/4"		
29	14'-6"	14'- 43/16"	19'-4''	19'- 23/16"	29'-0''	28'-103/16''		
30	15'-0"	14'-101/8"	20'-0"	19'-101/8"	30'-0''	29'-101/8''		
31		15'- 41/16"		20'- 61/16"		30'-101/16"		
32	16'-0"	15'-10''	21'-4"		The state of the s	31'-10"		
33		16'- 315/16"		21'- 915/16"		32'- 915/16"		
34	17'-0"	16'- 97/8"	22'-8"	22'- 51/8"	34'-0"	33'- 91/8"		

# **Curved Panel Laying Radii**

Either Standard or Radial Block can be laid to several radii by varying the thickness of the mortar joints. By combining both Standard and Radial in one panel various radii can be laid with a more uniform joint thickness.

Type "A" Panels laid with all Standard Block.

Type "B" Panels laid with all Radial Block.

Type "C" Panels laid alternating—2 Radial with 1 Standard Block.

Type "D" Panels laid alternating—1 Radial with 1 Standard Block.

Type "E" Panels laid alternating—1 Radial with 2 Standard Block.

### BLOCK AND VERTICAL JOINT TABLE FOR 90° ARC OF A CIRCLE

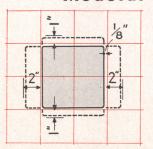
0.170.0	NUMBER OF UNITS	JOINT TH	JOINT THICKNESS		
OUTSIDE RADIUS	S-Standard R-Radial	INSIDE	OUTSIDE	TYPE	
2'-5''	5-R	1/8 ''	5/8 ''	B	
2'-10''	6-R	3/16''	3/8 ''	B	
3'-3''	7-R	3/8''	7/16''	B	
3'-8''	8-R	3/16''	1/8''	B	
4'-1"	6-R 3-S	1/8 ''	5/16''	C	
4'-4"	9-R	5/8 ''	9/16''	B	
4'-8"	10-R	7/16''	1/4''	B	
RADIAL BLOCK (**)	8-R 3-S	1/4 ''	1/4 ''	C	
	6-R 6-S	1/8 ''	1/4 ''	D	
	7-R 6-S	1/8 ''	3/16''	D	
	13-S	1/8 ''	5/8''	A	
STANDARD AND 4.9.1.0.1.0.1.1.0.1.1.0.1.1.0.1.1.0.1.1.0.1.1.0.1.1.0.1.1.0.1.1.0.1.1.0.1.0.1.1.0.1.0.1.1.0	7-R 6-S 7-R 7-S 14-S 7-R 8-S	1/2'' 3/8'' 3/8'' 1/4'' 1/4''	9/16'' 3/8'' 3/4'' 1/4'' 5/8''	D D A D A	
Y-0" 7'-0" 7'-5" 7'-5" 7'-8" 7'-8"	6-R 10-S 16-S 6-R 11-S 17-S 6-R 11-S 17-S	1/8" 1/8" 1/8" 1/8" 1/8" 7/16"	1/4'' 1/2'' 1/4'' 1/16'' 1/2'' 3/4''	E A E A	
8'-0''	6-R 12-S	5/16''	7/16''	E	
8'-0''	18-S *	5/16''	5/8''	A	
8'-4''	7-R 12-S	1/4''	1/4''	E	
8'-4''	19-S	1/4''	1/2''	A	
4'-3''	13-S	½ ''	5/8''	A	
4'-8''	14-S	½ ''	1/2''	A	
ARD BLOCK	15-S	1/8 ''	1/2''	A	
5'-0''	16-S	1/8 ''	1/2''	A	
5'-8''	17-S	3/16''	1/2''	A	
STANDARD  9'-9''  9'-8''  2'-8''  2'-8''	18-S	3/16''	1/2"	A	
	19-S	3/16''	1/2"	A	
	20-S	1/4''	1/2"	A	
7'-0" 7'-4"	21-S 22-S	1/4"	1/2" 1/2"	A	
8'-6"	13-\$	1/8′′	5/8′′	A	

# **Erection Procedure**

# STEP NO. 1 MASONRY CHASE SHALL BE 2" (PRELIMINARY PREPARATION) DEEP X 4" WIDE. FORM CHASE OF SIZE SHOWN — IN MASONRY OR BY METAL SHAPES. NOMINAL DIM. APPLY ASPHALT EMULSION TO SILL. APPLY EXPANSION STRIP CONTINU-OUSLY AT HEAD AND JAMBS. EXPANSION STRIP ASPHAIT 3/8 EXPANSION STRIP EMULSION INSERT BLOCK 116 IN CHASE. ISPREAD LEVEL BED OF MORTAR AND PRESS WALL TIE INTO IT. STEP NO. (LAYING INSULUX) KEEP MORTAR OUT OF EXPANSION JOINT. USE FULL HEAD AND BED JOINTS. BED WALL TIE IN CENTER OF MORTAR JOINT. STEP NO. 3 (BRACING PANEL AFTER WOODEN MORTAR HAS SET) WEDGE BRACE PANELS TEMPORARILY WITH WOODEN WEDGES. WAD OAKUM RAM OAKUM TIGHT IN SPACES AT AND RAM TIGHT SIDES OF BLOCK. POINT WITH CALKING STEP NO. 4 (CLEANING AND CALKING) REMOVE WOODEN WEDGES. CLEAN PANEL. CALK TO DEPTH OF 36" MINIMUM.

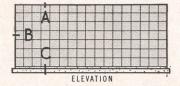
### USE ABOVE IN CONJUNCTION WITH TYPICAL DETAILS AND SPECIFICATIONS

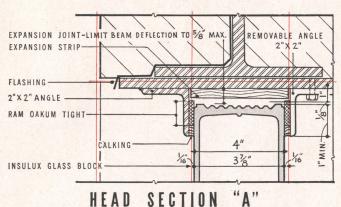
# Modular Coordination

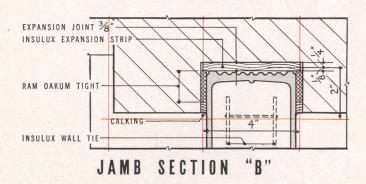


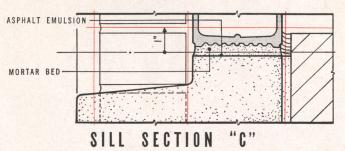
Details shown conform to ASA project A62. Panel position variable on grid lines; vertically 1" above or below, depending upon sill detail. Horizontally it may be on grid line or centered between—depending upon jamb detail.

# Panels in 12" Masonry Walls



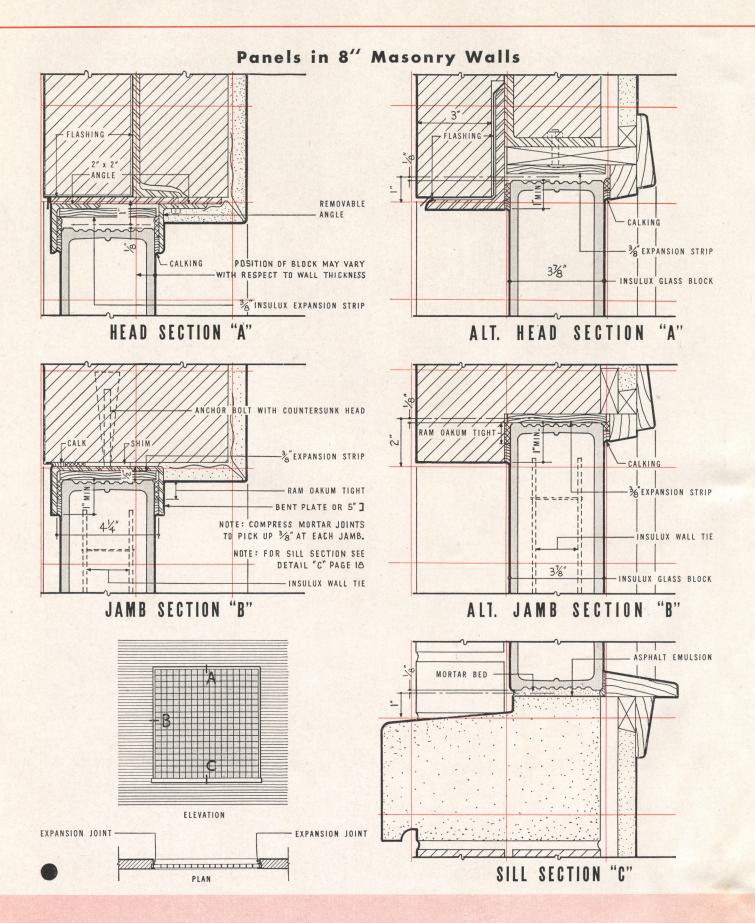






SCALE: 3'' = 1' - 0''

Structural members shown on details that follow are for illustration of method only. Compute size for required load.



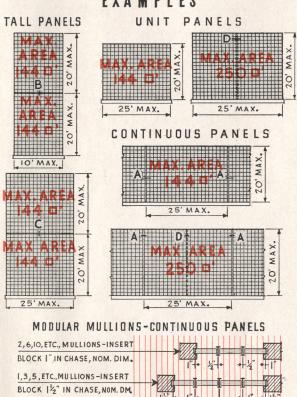
# Intermediate Reinforcing for Large Panels

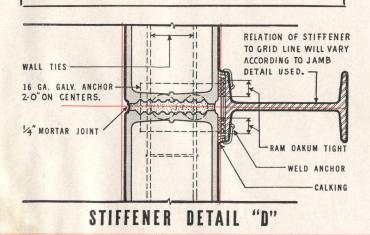
# Exterior Panel Sizes and Areas Sizes: Max. Length—25 Ft., Max. Height—20 Ft. Panels over

Sizes: Max. Length—25 Ft., Max. Height—20 Ft. Panels over these limiting dimensions shall be divided by mullions, detail "A" or shelf angles, detail "C" or "B," to provide expansion joints and reinforcement against wind pressure.

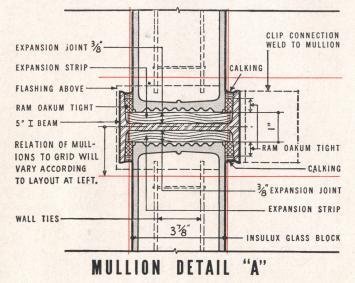
Areas: 144 Sq. Ft. (without stiffener)—250 Sq. Ft. (using stiffener detail "D"). Panels over these areas to be reinforced with mullions, detail "A", or shelf angles, detail "C" or "B".

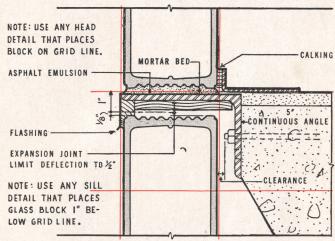
# EXAMPLES



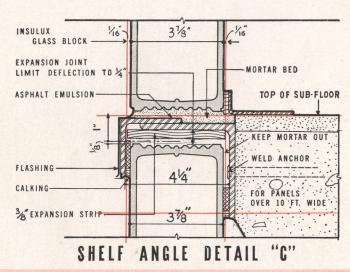


4,8,12, ETC., MULL.-INSERT BLK. 2" IN CHASE, NOM. DM.

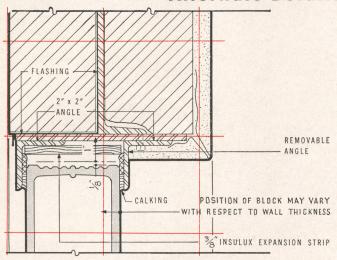




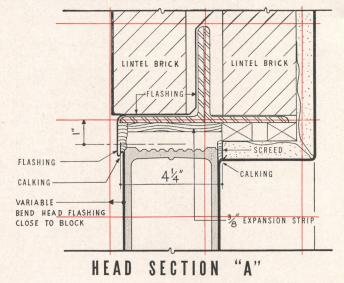
SHELF ANGLE DETAIL "B'



# Alternate Details for Small Panels



HEAD SECTION "A-1"



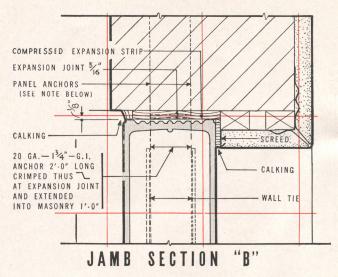
CUT FIBERGLAS STRIP 3 "WIDE

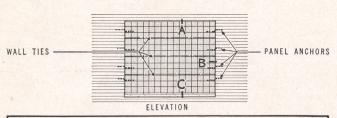
BEVEL END OF EXPANSION STRIP
TO FIT SNUG AROUND ANCHOR

BED ANCHOR SOLIDLY
IN MORTAR JOINTS

MORTAR BELOW ANCHOR
MORTAR ABOVE ANCHOR

PANEL ANCHOR DETAIL





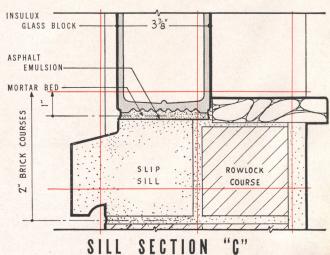
LIMITATIONS WHERE PANEL ANCHORS ARE USED:

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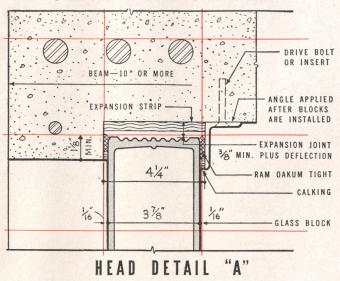
MAXIMUM LENGTH = 10 FEET

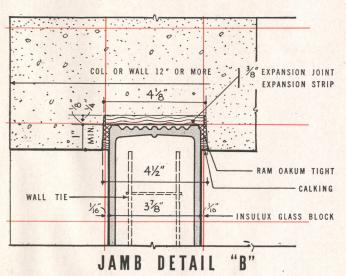
IF PANELS ARE OVER 10 FEET IN LENGTH USE

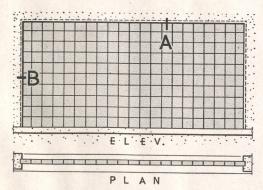
ALTERNATE HEAD DETAIL A-1



# **Panels in Concrete Walls**



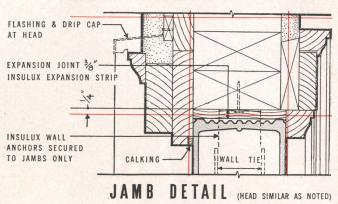




Note: See "intermediate reinforcing", page 17, for large panels and for panel size limitations.

Sill detail may be same as shown on detail "C" panels in 12" walls, p. 15, except panel is on grid lines.

# **Wood Frame Construction**



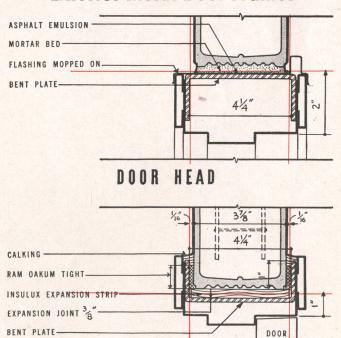
ADJUSTABLE STOP
ASPHALT EMULSION

CALKING

MORTAR BED

SILL DETAIL

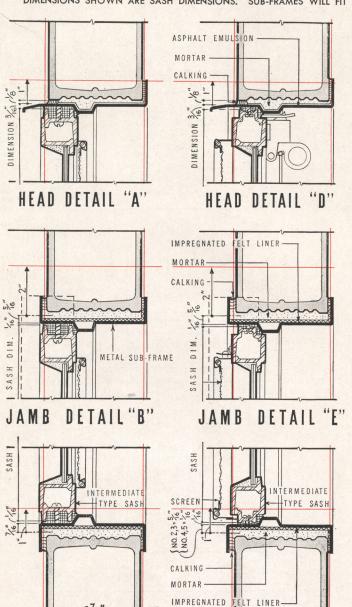
# **Exterior Metal Door Frames**



DOOR JAMB

# For Setting Into Glass Block Panels 2'-74" WINDOW NO. 1 WINDOW NO. 2 WINDOW NO. 3 WINDOW NO. 4 WINDOW NO. 5

DIMENSIONS SHOWN ARE SASH DIMENSIONS. SUB-FRAMES WILL FIT BLOCK LAID WITH MORTAR JOINTS VARYING FROM 3/6" TO 3/8".

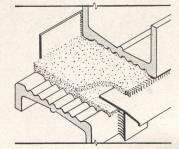


"C"

**Steel windows for use with glass block** are now available through some steel sash manufacturers. Details on these pages show types which have been set up as standard.

# Windows on this page

Shown at the left are windows which can be set in glass block panels. They can be furnished complete with sub-frames (including impregnated felt lining and asphalt coating) by sash manufacturers.



Cutaway view of upper corner of window frame showing top flange bedded in mortar at head

Windows No. 2 and No. 3 are intermediate projected types for use

with 8" glass block. Window No. 1 is an intermediate casement for use with 6", 8" or 12" block. These windows are for industrial and commercial uses. Windows No. 4 and No. 5 are intermediate types for 8" glass block panels—use for ventilating small rooms.

### Windows on opposite page

The details on page 21 show intermediate projected windows for use below glass block panels when continuous vision or ventilation is needed. They can be furnished complete, with pressed steel cover plates, connecting angles, bolts and screws by sash manufacturer.

These windows are 3'-8¾" wide and provide a 4'-0" center to center spacing of mullions. They are available in two heights—2'-10¹¾" for use in commercial and office buildings, and 2'-5½" for use in school buildings where higher sills are required. Projection of vents may be in any manner shown.

Where Prismatic Blocks (Insulux No. 351) are used above sash, the sight line of the panel sill should not be less than 6'-0" above the floor.

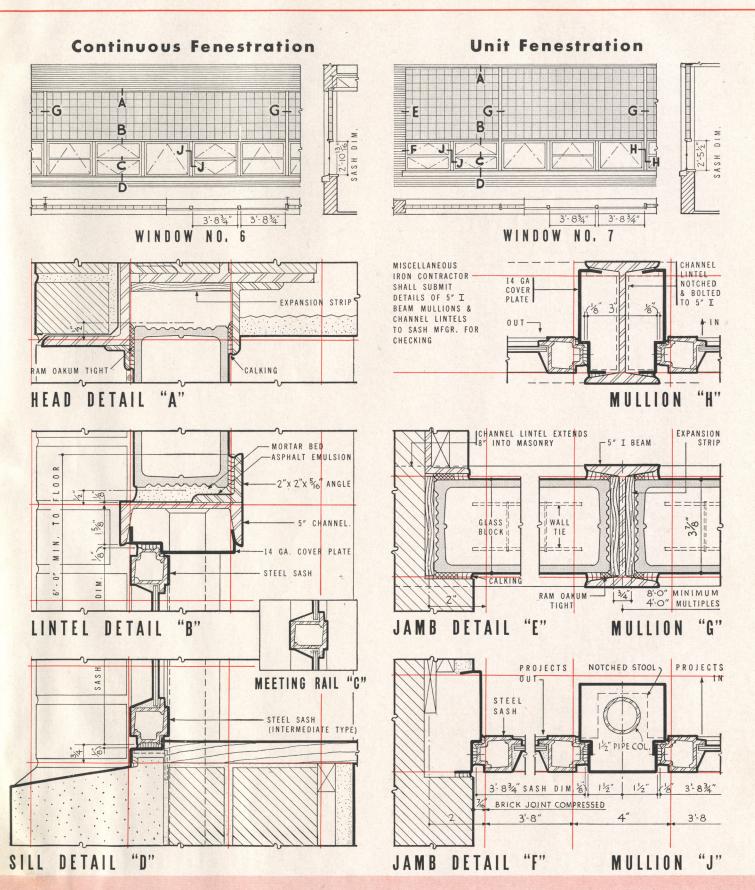
ALL DETAILS OF WINDOWS AND PRESSED STEEL WORK ON PAGES 20-21 PREPARED BY HOPE'S WINDOWS, INC., JAMESTOWN, N. Y.

BLOCK

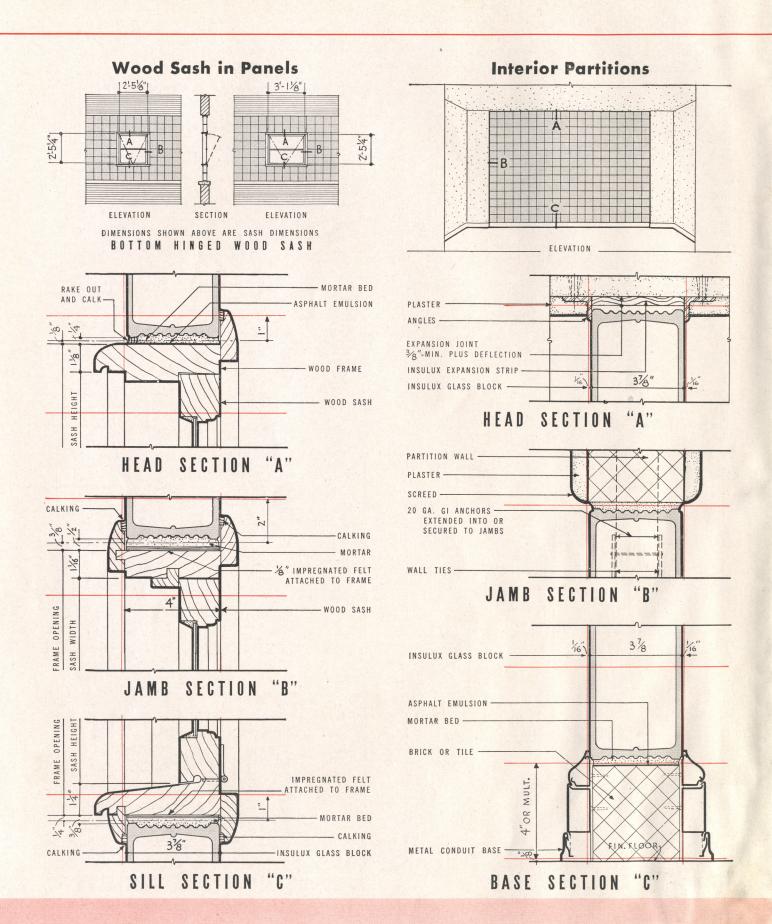
SILL DETAIL

SILL

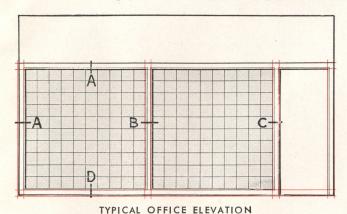
DETAIL



# CONSTRUCTION DETAILS



# Set-in-Wood Construction for Interior Partitions



Details on this page show methods for installing "Insulux Glass Block Set-in-Wood" interior partitions (not for exterior use).

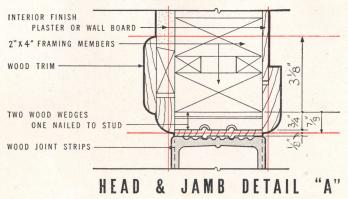
The system is simple, requiring only three basic wood pieces: Continuous strips for horizontal joints; Made-to-length pieces for vertical joints; Wedges for use at jambs and heads to lock panels together.

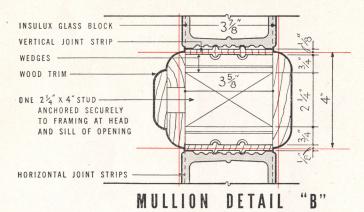
In framing the opening, it is important that rough bucks be sturdily and accurately built. The exact opening sizes are shown in the dimension table below.

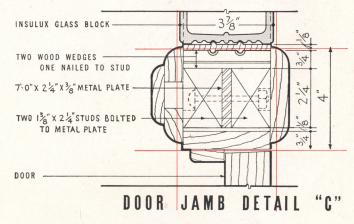
Wood parts may be obtained through Insulux Glass Block distributors. They are available only for 8" and 12" block. For more detailed information about this system write Owens-Illinois Glass Company, Toledo, Ohio.

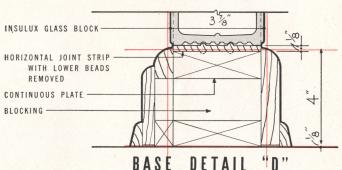
DIMENSION TABLE, "SET-IN-WOOD" CONSTRUCTION

	12" BLO	CK	8" BLOCK					
No. of BLOCK	OPENING WIDTH	OPENING HEIGHT	No. of BLOCK	OPENING WIDTH	OPENING HEIGHT			
1	1'-134''	1'-13/16''	1	93/4''	93/16''			
2	2'-13/4''	2'-13/16"	2	1'-53/4''	1'-53/16"			
3	3'-113/16"	3'-11/4"	3	2'-13/4"	2'-13/16"			
4	4'-113/16"	4'-11/4"	4	2'-93/4"	2'-93/16"			
5	5'-1 13/16"	5'-11/4"	5	3'-53/4"	3'-53/16"			
6	6'-17/8''	6'-15/16"	6	4'-13/4"	4'-13/16"			
7	7'-1 1/8''	7'-15/16"	7	4'-93/4"	4'-93/16"			
8	8'-17/8''	8'-15/16''	8	5'-53/4"	5'-53/16"			
9	9'-115/16"	9'-13/8"	9	6'-134"	6'-13/16"			
10	10'-2"	10'-13/8''	1.0	6'-93/4"	6'-93/16"			
		,	11 4	7'-53/4"	7'-53/16"			
	ons given of dimensions		12	8'-134''	8'-13/16"			
	earance at		13	8'-93/4''	8'-93/16"			
	of panel for		14	9'-53/4"	9'-53/16"			
	imits—75 so		15	10'-134''	10'-13/16"			









THE following basic specifications are divided into paragraphs with designated letters for convenience. Specific variations are required for: (I) Fire retardant panels. (2) Erection under jurisdiction of the Pacific Coast Building Officials Conference. Complete information on request.

**Note:** The general conditions of the contract are hereby made, by reference, a part of this specification.

**Scope:** This work consists of furnishing all materials and labor necessary for the complete installation of all glass block as shown on the drawings or as specified hereinafter.

# **Materials**

- A. Glass Block shall be hollow, partially evacuated units of water-clear pressed glass as manufactured by Owens-Illinois Glass Company. Mortar-bearing surfaces shall be precoated with an alkali and moisture resistant grit bearing material, white in color. Glass Blocks shall be Insulux No...... as shown on the drawings.
- **B.** Cement shall be...... waterproof Portland cement, complying with the specifications of the American Society for Testing Materials.
- **C. Lime** shall be high calcium, hydrated or well slaked quick lime, complying with A.S.T.M. specifications C6-31 or C5-26. Magnesium hydrated lime may be used if hydrated under steam pressure and if it does not contain more than 8% by weight of unhydrated oxides. 25 lbs. of Quick Lime or 40 lbs. of hydrated shall equal one cubic foot.
- **D. Sand** shall be composed of hard, durable mineral particles free from injurious amounts of organic, alkaline or other foreign materials. It shall be uniformly

graded from fine to coarse with 100% passing a No. 16 sieve.

- **E.** Water shall be clean, non-alkaline and devoid of salts or other injurious elements.
- **F. Mortar-Mix** shall be composed of 1 part Portland cement, 1 part lime and 4 parts of sand, measured by volume. It shall be mixed to a consistency as stiff and dry as possible and still retain good working characteristics. Prepared masonry mortars of high strength and low volume change, mixed to manufacturer's directions, may be substituted on approval of architect.

Setting accelerators or anti-freeze compounds are not to be used.

**G.** Reinforcing Wall Ties shall consist of two No. 9 wires spaced 2" apart to which are welded No. 14 gauge cross wires. Ties are to be 8 ft. long and not more than .20" thick at the weld. They shall be galvanized or treated with some other approved corrosion resisting coating. Ties are to run continuously with ends lapped 6" and are to be installed in horizontal mortar joints as follows:

No. 200 Series (53/4" Square)—Every fourth course No. 300 Series (73/4" Square)—Every third course No. 400 Series (113/4" Square)—Every course.

- **H. Asphalt Emulsion** shall be Insulux emulsion or approved equal and shall be a clay type suspended in water. It shall be used without diluting.
- I. Oakum shall be a non-staining type.
- J. Caulking where indicated on the drawings, shall be Insulux Calking Compound or approved equal. It shall be non-hardening and non-staining mastic of gun grade consistency.

### Insulux Standard Accessories

AVAILABLE THROUGH INSULUX DISTRIBUTORS



INSULUX ASPHALT EMULSION—For application to panel sills. A special asphalt dispersed in water. Available in 5-gallon, 1-gallon and 1-quart cans.



INSULUX CALKING COMPOUND—For waterproofing expansion joints of panels. A gun grade non-hardening material, available in tubes, ½-gal., 1-gal. and 5-gal. cans.



"SET - IN - WOOD" STRIPS AND WEDGES—Horizontal strips 6, 8 and 10 ft. long, 12 to carton. Verticals 734" and 1134" long, 144 to carton. Wedges 72 pairs to carton.

- **K. Expansion Strips** shall be Insulux expansion strips made of fibrous glass or other approved material, bonded together in strips  $4\frac{1}{8}$ " x  $3\frac{1}{8}$ " x 25".
- **L. Panel Anchors** (use where panels are not set in chases) shall be made of 20 gauge galvanized perforated steel strips, 24" long and 13/4" wide. They are to be used as shown on the drawings, located in horizontal mortar joints as frequently as wall ties, but not less than two to each jamb.

### **Erection**

- A. Panels are to be of size and shape shown on the drawings. Openings for panels shall be formed as detailed and are to be built so that panels will be properly supported against wind pressure. Before laying glass block, sills are to be coated with a heavy layer of asphalt emulsion (at least \frac{1}{32}" thick) the coat being allowed to dry before laying the first mortar bed.
- **B.** Install expansion strips at panel jambs and heads, below shelf angles, at mullions and at any other locations shown on the drawings. These strips are to run continuously and are to be so installed that the edges of the glass block panel (except at sills) do not come in direct contact with the building structure. Expansion strips may be held in place by gobs of asphalt emulsion.
- **C. Blocks** shall be laid plumb, true and level with all mortar joints filled completely with mortar. Do not furrow or "feather" joints. Exposed thickness of mortar joints shall be ½" for modular system (shown on drawings) but in no case less than ¾6" or more than ¾8". Do not allow mortar to lodge in expansion joints.
- **D.** Wall ties are to be installed in joints as heretofore specified, imbedding them completely in mortar.
- **E. Tool** the exposed surfaces of the mortar joint to a slightly concave, smooth, non-porous surface after mortar reaches its initial set.

- F. Ram oakum between the sides of the block and the sides of the chases after the mortar has set. Ram the oakum back at least  $\frac{3}{8}$ " from the finished surface. Fill the recesses thus formed at jambs and head of panels with mastic calking compound, both inside and out, to provide tightly sealed panels.
- **G. Clean** all loose mortar from the panel as the mortar joints are tooled. Final cleaning shall not be done until the mortar has reached its final set.

Alternate for Anchored Panels (Copy paragraphs A, B, C, D, E and G, under "Erection" and include following paragraphs): Where glass block panels are not set in chases but are anchored by panel anchors (see note) standard expansion strips shall be cut to a width of 2" then installed as specified in paragraph B.

Perforated anchors shall be either bolted to or extended not less than 1 foot into masonry jambs. The balance of the anchor is to be imbedded in the horizontal mortar joints of the glass block panels—crimping the anchor at the expansion joint to permit movement. Do not use wire wall ties as anchors.

After the mortar has set, point the exposed surfaces of the expansion joint with mastic calking compound to a depth of not less than ½".

This method not recommended for large panels or those subjected to severe conditions.

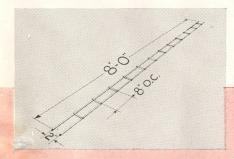
**Check-list** of materials for construction of typical glass block panels:

By Insulux distributors: Glass blocks, reinforcing wall ties, anchors, expansion strip, mastic calking compound and asphalt emulsion.

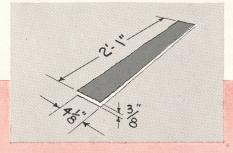
By others: Oakum, metal I beams, channels, T's, etc., wood supports, trim, metal or wood windows, and mortar materials.

# Insulux Standard Accessories

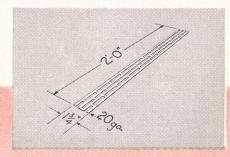
AVAILABLE THROUGH INSULUX DISTRIBUTORS



INSULUX REINFORCING WALL TIES—Used for reinforcing glass block panels. Made 8' 0" long of No. 9 wires spaced 2" apart by No. 14 cross wires.



INSULUX EXPANSION STRIPS—Required in all expansion joints. Strips are  $4\frac{1}{8}$ " x  $3\frac{8}{8}$ " x 25". Made in the form of a resilient glass fiber pad.



INSULUX PANEL ANCHORS—For use only where chase construction is not used. Made of 20 gauge perforated steel, 13/4" x 24", galvanized after forming.

# **Light Transmission**

Insulux designs No. 7, 16, 17 and 30, transmit approximately 80% of the light measured at normal incidence to their face. Design No. 40, approximately 70%. Light-diffusing and light-directing blocks are not measurable by standard methods.

# **Underwriter's Test**

Insulux glass blocks—tested at the Underwriters' Laboratories in Chicago—withstood a 45-minute fire and hose test and were accorded a "Class F. opening" rating for light-fire exposures. Blocks tested were Numbers 202, 207, 216, 217, 230, 307, 316, 317, 330, 340, 350, 351 and 354.

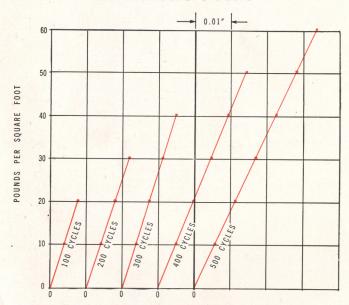
### **Sound Reduction**

Glass block panels have an average sound reduction factor of 40.7 decibles (over nine frequencies). This is slightly better than 4" tile wall, plastered on two sides.

# Weight Per Sq. Foot

Varying slightly with the different patterns and sizes, the weight of Insulux panels is approximately 17.5 lbs. per sq. ft.

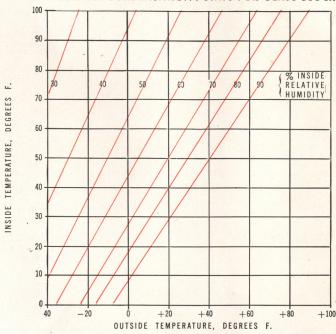
# **Wind Pressure Tests**



A 7'-3" x 8'-8" Insulux glass block panel tested at Materials Testing Laboratory, Purdue University, proved entirely elastic under pressure of 40 lb. per sq. ft. (equal to wind velocity of 115 m.p.h.). Final failure occurred at pressure equal to a 174 m.p.h. wind. The chart above shows successive results at end of each 100 cycles of pressure—up to 500 cycles.

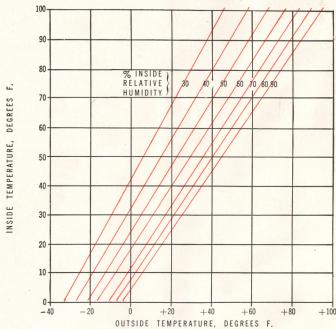
# **Surface Condensation**

INSIDE SURFACE CONDENSATION POINTS FOR GLASS BLOCK



BASED ON A U-FACTOR OF .49 FOR SMOOTH-FACED GLASS BLOCK

INSIDE SURFACE CONDENSATION POINTS, SINGLE GLAZING



BASED ON A U-FACTOR OF 1.13 AS GIVEN BY A. S. H. & V. E.

The charts above show a lower outside temperature is required to produce condensation on a glass block panel than on a single glazed window. Important in all buildings but particularly so where high humidities prevail—as swimming pools, paper mills, textile mills, etc.

### Solar Heat Gain

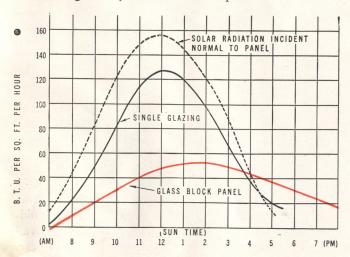
Heat gain through Glass Block: The table below shows the results of the latest tests(\*) on heat gain through glass block panels. The figures shown are average for most glass block face designs (\*\*). Prismatic types have somewhat lower values.

		SOLAR RADIATION HEAT GAIN (Direct plus Sky Btu per Sq. Ft. per Hour							ar Ra	diatio ransm	AT Con Plu hission Ft. pe	s Nor	
Sic	de	East <sup>3</sup>	West <sup>3</sup>		Soi	vth		East <sup>3</sup>	West <sup>3</sup>		Soi	uth	
N. Lati Degre		40	40	30	35	40	45	40	40	30	35	40	45
7:00 8:00 9:00 10:00 11:00 12:00 1:00 2:00 3:00 4:00 5:00 6:00 7:00	76 79 83 87 90 93 94 95 95 95	7.0 6.0 5.0 4.5	0.0 5.0 6.0 7.0 10.0 15.5 24.0 40.0 65.0 63.0 23.5	5.5 8.5 12.0 14.0 12.0 8.5	7.1 11.3 15.2 17.4 15.2 11.3 7.1 4.4	6.5 10.2 14.7 18.7 21.0 18.7 14.7 10.2	11,0 13.4 17.1 21.8 24.8 21.8 17.1 13.4 11.0	36.5 30.0 24.0 19.5 15.5	5.0 6.5 7.5 10.5 22.0 35.0 55.0 77.0	0.0 5.0 11.0 16.5 21.5 25.0 26.0 24.0 20.0	7.0 15.0 22.0 28.0 31.8 32.0 29.8 25.5 20.0 13.5	4.0 10.0 18.0 25.5 33.8 38.5 39.0 36.5 31.5	5.0 12.0 20.8 32.0 40.8 46.0 47.0 45.0 40.5 33.5 25.5
Sun Time	Outside Temp. (F.)	<sup>2</sup> Insi <sup>3</sup> For	For August 1.  Inside temperature, 78 F. For east and west walls these values can be applied to all latitudes between 30 and 45 degrees N. without excessive errors.										

(\*) Reported in the paper "Heat Gain Through Glass Blocks by Solar Radiation and Transmittance" by F. C. Houghton, David Shore, H. T. Olson and Burt Gunst (see page 264, April 1940 H.P. & A.C.)

(\*\*) Dimensions of blocks tested 73/4" x 73/4" x 37/8".

Glass Block compared to single glazing: The chart below compares heat gain through a glass block panel with that through a single glazed window. Tests conducted August 29, 1939—South Exposure.



### Thermal Insulation

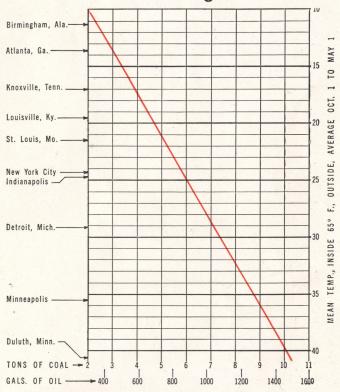
Thermal conductivity tests run at nationally recognized laboratories and confirmed by official tests at the Pittsburgh Testing Laboratories, give the values quoted below for the overall heat transfer coefficient (U.\*) through glass block panels.

# **U-Values**

Type of Block	Still Air	15 mph wind	
Ribbed-face:	U—0.38	U—0.46	
Smooth-face:	U-0.40	U—0.49	

\*B.T.U. per sq. ft. per hour per degree F. difference in temperature.

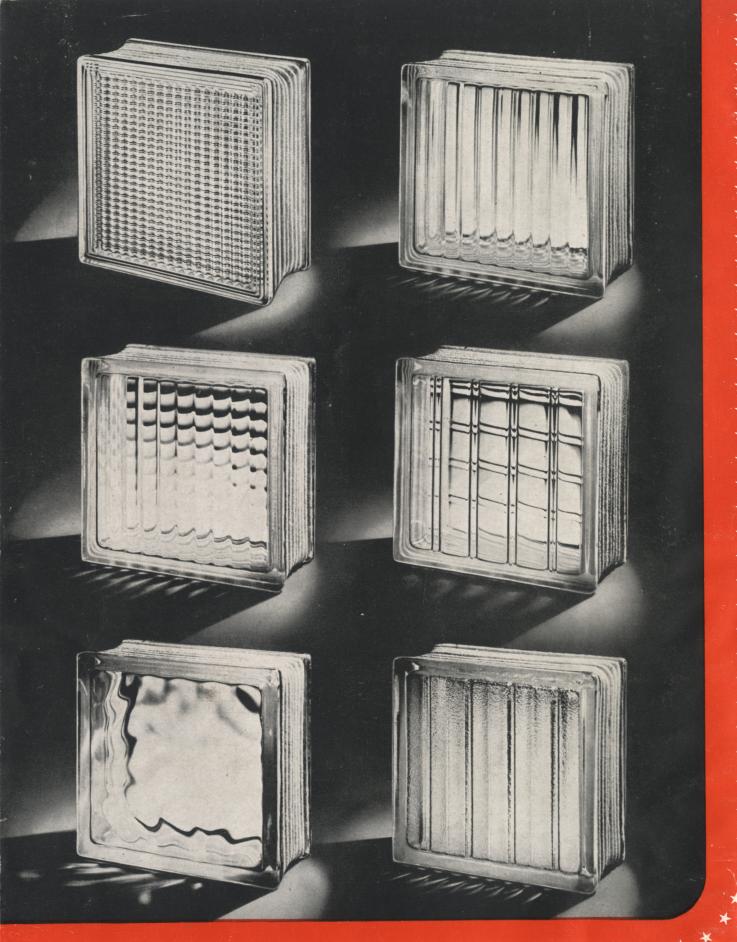
### **Fuel Savings**



The above chart shows the fuel savings in gallons of oil and tons of coal which can be attained by using panels of Insulux Glass Block in place of single glazed windows. Figures are based on glass areas of 1000 sq. ft.

These heat loss calculations were based upon conduction through glass areas only, all other factors such as walls, roof and infiltration were ignored.

Calculations were based on the following factors: U value Sash, 1.13; U value Glass Block, .49; inside temperature 65 degrees. Outside temperature were averages taken for various localities from October 1 to May 1. Still air inside, 15 MPH wind outside 12,000 B. T. U. per lb. coal at 60% efficiency; 140,000 B. T. U. per gal oil at 70% efficiency.



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