SECTION 101400 – SIGNAGE

PART 1 - GENERAL

1.1 SUMMARY

- A. This Section includes following types of signs:
 - 1. Reflective vehicular directional and information signs (V- Signs).
 - 2. Retroreflective regulatory signs (R- Signs).
 - 3. Retroreflective warning signs (W-Signs).
 - 4. Non-reflective pedestrian directional and informational signs (PP- Signs).
 - 5. Pedestrian Supergraphic Signs (PS- Signs).
 - 6. Space Availability Displays (SA- Signs).
- Traffic Controller Signs (TC- Signs).
 - 8. Other code required signs.

1.2 SUBMITTALS

- A. General: Submit following in accordance with Conditions of Contract.
- B. Product Data: Include manufacturer's construction details relative to materials, dimensions of individual components, profiles, and finishes for each type of sign required.
- C. Shop Drawings: Provide shop drawings for fabrication and erection of signs. Include plans, elevations, and large-scale sections of typical members and other components. Show mounting methods, mounting heights, anchors, grounds, reinforcement, accessories, layout, spacing, dimensions and installation details.
 - 1. Provide message list, typestyles, graphic elements, including tactile characters and Braille and artwork as shown on drawings, and layout of lettering. Include large scale details of sign layout.
 - 2. For signs supported by or anchored to permanent construction, provide setting drawings, templates, and directions for installation of anchor bolts and other anchors to be installed as a unit of Work in other Sections.
 - 3. Wiring Diagrams from manufacturer of electrified signs for power, signal and control wiring.
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- 4. All shop drawings and samples will be due two weeks after project is awarded. A 90 day project completion requirement will commence after shop drawings are approved.
- D. Samples: Provide following samples of each sign component for verification of compliance with requirements indicated.
 - 1. Samples of each sign material type (V-, R-, PP-, VR-, etc), on not less than 6-in. squares of extrusion, sheet or plate, showing full range of colors to be provided.

- 2. Dimensional characters and castings: Full size sample showing character, material, texture, finish, color, style and attachment method.
- E. Maintenance Data: For signage cleaning and maintenance requirements to be included in maintenance manual.

1.3 QUALITY ASSURANCE

- A. Qualifications: Manufacturers: Sign manufacturer shall have completed a minimum of 3 projects in last 3 years with similar materials and methods of manufacture as required for this project.
- B. Where warranties are required, manufacturer and/or installers shall be authorized by the entity providing the warranty.
- C. All completed signs shall be free from defects in materials and workmanship and effectively present specified or permitted message under both day and night viewing conditions. Sign faces shall be reasonably smooth, shall exhibit uniform color and brightness over entire background surface and shall not appear mottled, streaked, or stained when viewed either in ordinary daylight or incidental beams of automobile headlamps.
- D. Support structures for signs that are free-standing or extending from any exterior surface of the building, including but not limited to the roof level parking signs on cantilever supports, shall be designed by a licensed professional engineer in the State of Texas in accordance with ASCE 7-98's requirements for wind loads.
- E. Regulatory Requirements:
 - 1. Comply with Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and state and local codes as adopted by authorities having jurisdiction. Signs affected, may include, but not be limited to:
 - a. Illuminated Exit Signs: Refer to Division 26.
 - b. Permanently Designated Rooms and Spaces: A- Signs.
 - c. Fire Doors.
 - d. Room Capacity.
 - e. Live Load Capacity.
 - f. Elevator Signs.
 - g. Stairway Identification.
 - h. Area of Rescue Assistance Identification.
 - 2. MUTCD:
 - a. Regulatory R- and Warning W- signs shall be fully compliant with all requirements of the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD) except that sign size may be modified due to space constraints.

- F. Single-Source Responsibility: For each separate required type of sign as defined herein, obtain signs from a single firm specializing in this type of work so that there will be undivided responsibility for such work.
- G. Design Criteria: Drawings indicate sizes, profiles, and dimensional requirements of signs. Other signs with deviations from indicated dimensions and profiles may be considered, provided deviations do not change design concept. Burden of proof of equality is on proposer.
- H. Coordinate sign placement with structural configuration and lighting location. Before sign installation, arrange meeting with Engineer/Architect and lighting installer at site to review sign placement. Additional compensation not allowed for relocating signs after installation if relocation required due to conflicts with lighting or structure. In the event that a sign mounting type is not indicated, assume use of detail 5/PK-204.
- I. Trade Names: Do not display manufacturer's name, trade name, trademarks, or similar markings on exterior or visible surfaces.
- J. Sign Quantity Count: Sign Fabricator shall be responsible for determining the final quantity count of all signs, as indicated on the Signage Schedule and Location Plans, prior to fabrication.
- K. Provide written 5 year full replacement warranty to Owner that all signage will be free of defects due to workmanship and materials including, but not limited to, fading, peeling, delamination, and installation. With no additional cost to Owner, repair all defects that develop during warranty period and all damage to other Work due to such defects. NOTE: Additional warranties apply to specific sign types and products, as specified herein.
- L. Finishes Warranty: Submit five-year written warranty, signed by the Contractor and Installer, warranting that the architectural signage finishes will not develop excessive fading or excessive non-uniformity of color or shade and will not crack, peel, pit or corrode or otherwise fail as a result in defects, within the warranty period, make necessary repairs or replacement at the convenience of the owner or facility's management.
 - 1. "Excessive Fading": A change in appearance which is perceptible and objectionable as determined by the Designer when visually compared with the original color range standards.
 - 2. "Excessive Non-Uniformity": Non-Uniform fading during the period of the guarantee, to the extent that adjacent panels have a color difference greater that the original acceptance range of color.
 - 3. "Will Not Pit or Otherwise Corrode": No Pitting or other type of corrosion discernible from a distance of 10'-0", resulting from the natural elements in the atmosphere at the project site.
- M. Replacement or Repairs: The owner or facilities management shall have the right to continue use of the defective part until such time that the part is replaced or repaired without loss or inconvenience to the owner or facility's management. Warranties shall also state that the replaced or repaired part shall have a warranty period equal to the remaining warranty period for the replaced or repaired part plus an additional one year.

1.4 **PROJECT CONDITIONS**

A. Field Measurements: Take field measurements prior to preparation of shop drawings and fabrication to ensure proper fitting and mounting. Where sizes of signs may be affected by dimensions of surfaces on which they are installed, verify dimensions by field measurement. Show recorded measurements on final shop drawings. Coordinate fabrication schedule with construction progress to avoid delay.

1.5 COORDINATION

- A. For signs to be supported by or anchored to permanent construction, provide installers with specific requirements for anchorage devices. Furnish templates for installation.
- B. Coordinate location of remote transformers with building construction. Ensure that transformers are accessible after completion of Work.

1.6 MAINTENANCE

- A. Maintenance Instruction: Furnish maintenance manual to instruct the owner or facility's management personnel in procedures to be followed in cleaning and maintaining the signage. Provide manufacturer's brochures describing the actual materials used in the Work, including metal alloys and finishes.
 - 1. Include a list of cleaning materials appropriate for continued cleaning of signs. Include written instructions for proper maintenance, service access, replacement procedures, etc. Include recommended methods for removal of residual adhesives from wall surfaces after removal of adhesive mounted signs.
- B. Extra Materials: Deliver to the owner or facility's management in manufacturer's original packaging and store at the project site where directed.
 - 1. Furnish one quart of each finish paint color for touch-up purposes.

PART 2 - PRODUCTS

2.1 MANUFACTURERS

- A. Basis of Design Product: Where named products are specified, subject to compliance with requirements specific to this project, provide either named product or an equivalent product by other manufacturers specified.
- B. Manufacturers: Subject to compliance with requirements specific to this project, accepted manufacturers listed in Part 2 are considered to have been prequalified in conformance with paragraph 1.4.A and B of this section. Acceptable manufacturers include, but are not limited to the following:
 - 1. Manufacturers of panel signs, including V-,R-,W-, PP-,VR-, and EP- signs:

- a. ABC Architectural Signing System, Division of Nelson-Harkins Industries.
- b. Alcan Composites, Benton, KY.
- c. Allenite, A Division of Allen Marking Products, Inc.
- d. Andco Industries Corp.
- e. APCO Graphics, Inc.
- f. Architectural Graphics, Inc.
- g. ASI Sign Systems, Inc.
- h. Best Manufacturing Co.
- i. Interstate Highway Sign Corp.
- j. Henry Graphics.
- k. Jarob Design, Inc.
- I. Pannier Graphics.
- m. Tapco.
- n. Vomar.
- o. National Signs

2.2 MATERIALS

- A. Graphics:
 - 1. Graphics shall be highest quality with sharp lines and smooth curves. Images shall be uniform colors and free from streaks or spotting.
 - 2. Content and Style: Provide sign copy that complies with requirements indicated for size, style, spacing, content, position, material, finishes, and colors of letters, numbers, and other graphic devices. Notations contained within the comments section of the sign schedule indicate additional text required on sign such as street name, etc. Notations contained within parenthesis () in the sign schedule and instructions for logos or symbols that are to be included on the sign, as shown on the design drawings. Refer to the sign schedule for copy, description of signs, and reference to sign types.
 - 3. Silk screening: Where specified or permitted, silk screening shall be highest quality, with sharp lines, no sawtooths, or uneven ink coverage.
 - a. Screens shall be photographically reproduced.
 - b. Background ink shall be process inks as recommended by manufacturer of substrate employed.
 - c. Ink application through screens: 1 flood pass and 1 print pass. Images: uniform color and ink thickness; free from squeegee marks and lines.
 - d. Signs: dry in adequate racks with 2 in. spacing for ample air flow and forced air drying and curing.
 - e. Package signs only after they have dried completely per ink manufacturer's time allowances.
 - f. Where reflective messages are specified or permitted to be reverse silkscreened with a non-reflective, opaque background, the sheeting material shall be 3M Scotchlite Engineer Grade Reflective Sheeting Series 3200 or equivalent meeting US Department of Transportation Standard Specification for Construction of Roads and Bridges on Federal Highway Products, 1985 FP-85, Type II, Section 718.01.

- g. Where reflective messages are specified or permitted to be reverse silkscreened with a reflective, transparent background, the sheeting material shall be 3M Scotchlite High Intensity Grade Sheeting Series 3930 or equivalent meeting US Department of Transportation Standard Specification for Construction of Roads and Bridges on Federal Highway Products, 1985 FP-85, Type IIIA, Section 718.01.
- 4. Pressure applied graphics:
 - a. Where pressure-applied graphics applied to a painted background are specified or permitted, the paint shall be flat, opaque acrylic polyurethane as recommended by manufacturer of substrate and graphic media.
 - b. Where pressure-applied, reflective graphics on an opaque painted background are specified or permitted, letters shall be digitally produced, and cut by electronic cutting machines from 3M Scotchlite Electrocut Engineer Grade Sheeting Series 3260 material, colors as noted on drawings or equivalent. Edges shall be sealed per manufacturer recommendation.
 - c. Where pressure-applied, reflective graphics on a reflective background are specified or permitted, the sheeting material shall be 3930 Hi Intensity Prismatic or equivalent meeting US Department of Transportation Standard Specification for Construction of Roads and Bridges on Federal Highway Products, 1985 FP-85, Type IIIA, Section 718.01. The letters shall be digitally produced, and cut by electronic cutting machines from 3M Scotchlite Electronic Cutable Film Series 1170, colors as noted on drawings or equivalent.
 - d. Where pressure-applied, non-reflective graphics are specified, letters shall be digitally produced, and cut by computer-driven processes from 3M Scotchcal Electrocut 7725 film.
 - e. Where electronically cut letters and symbols are specified, the inside corners shall be rounded using the largest radius consistent with acceptable appearance. Minimum radius shall be 1/8 inch on a 3 inch letter. Use prespacing tape as recommended by manufacturer of sheeting as a carrier for letters, numerals and symbols.
- 5. Digital Imaging: Where digital imaging for original art and multicolored graphics are specified.
 - a. Where first surface, reflective graphics are specified, the image shall be electronically produced and electrostatically printed onto the transfer media and then heat transferred onto 3M Scotchlite Plus Sheeting Series 680 using IJ680-10 technology. Image to be protected with 3M recommended graphic protective clear coating. Not to be used for regulatory signs.
 - b. Where first surface non-reflective graphics are required, the image shall be electronically produced and electrostatically printed onto the transfer media and then heat transferred onto 3M Scotchprint flexible reflective graphic film IJ180-10 technology. Image to be protected with 3M recommended graphic protective clear coating.
 - c. Where second surface, non-reflective graphics are required, the image shall be produced using 3M Scotchprint Electronic Graphics System using Scotchcal 7725 marking film and lamination.

- 6. Where specified, dry film transfer shall be produced digitally using computerdriven Dry Thermal Transfer system over 3M high intensity reflective vinyl substrates.
- 7. All products specified to employ 3M sheeting, films, or other components shall be guaranteed and backed by 3M MCS Warranty or equivalent.
- B. Inks and Paints:
 - 1. All inks and paints shall be a type made for surface material to which it is applied, and recommended by manufacturer. Exact identification shall be noted on shop drawings, with data describing application method, if other than air-drying. Prohibited: paint or ink that will fade, discolor, or delaminate due to UV or heat exposure.
 - 2. All colors for which color match specified shall be approved by Engineer/Architect prior to production.
 - 3. Acceptable manufacturers and suppliers of inks for silk-screening shall be only those materials recommended by the manufacturer of the sheeting and as required for 3M MCS warranty, or equivalent, where applicable.
 - 4. Paints: all materials best quality. Products of DuPont DeNemours & Company, Pittsburgh Plate Glass Company, Glidden, Matthews or Sherwin-Williams acceptable.
 - a. Opaque background for pressure applied graphics: Two part acrylic polyurethane, low gloss. Care shall be taken to provide proper curing so that outgassing does not occur after application of sheeting and/or graphics.
 - b. Painted finish on Sintra panels: Types of paints known compatible with Sintra material.
 - 1) Vinyls
 - 2) Acrylic Lacquers
 - 3) Two part polyurethanes
 - 4) Surface preparation:
 - a) Surface to be painted must remain dry, clean and grease free.
 - b) Surface to be cleaned with a rag moistened with isopropyl alcohol prior to painting.
 - 5) Apply with a brush, roller or conventional air spray equipment.
 - 6) Vinyl and Vinyl/acrylic solvent based Screen printing inks are very compatible.
 - c. Painted graphics on steel doors: Refer to Painting specification section 09910.3.6.C. Ferrous metal paint selection for door base. Graphics paint to be compatible with base paint.
 - d. Base for painted graphics on concrete, stucco, masonry and concrete masonry units to be prepared per Paint specifications. Graphics two part acrylic polyurethane, low gloss.
 - e. High gloss enamel base: Graphics medium to be determined by installer. Primer may be required.

- 5. Applied color whether ink or paint shall conform to color and accelerated weathering requirements of FP-79 and shall not be removable when tested by Film Adhesion Test and by Film Hardness Test.
- C. Blank Panels: Comply with requirements indicated for materials, thickness, finish, color, design, shape, size, and details of construction.
 - 1. General:
 - a. Produce smooth, even, level sign panel surfaces, constructed to remain flat under installed conditions within a tolerance of plus or minus 0.0625 in. measured diagonally.
 - b. The back side and edges of all panel signs shall be painted with acrylic polyurethane, color to match the specified background color.
 - c. Edge Condition: Square cut.
 - d. Corner Condition: Square cut for all signs except Regulatory and Warning signs. Regulatory and Warning sign corners shall be rounded per MUTCD.
 - 2. Aluminum:
 - a. Provide aluminum sheet of 6061-T6 or 5052-H38 alloys and temper recommended by aluminum producer or finisher for use type and finish
 - indicated, and with not less than strength and durability properties specified in ASTM B209 for 5005-H15. **Minimum Thickness 0.125in.**
 - b. Aluminum extrusions shall be of alloy and temper recommended by aluminum producer for type of use and finish and with not less than strength and durability properties specified in ASTM B221 for 6063-T5.
 - c. Panels shall be etched, degreased, flat, and free of ragged edges. Radius corners by stamping. All signs of same size shall be totally uniform in size. Surface shall be completely clear of dust and dirt before finishes applied.
 - d. Panels to receive 3M sheeting and/or paint shall be treated with an anodizing conversion coating to provide resistance to corrosion and white rust formation. Conversion coating may be:
 - Chromate, meeting ASTM B449 class 2. Coating weight should be 10 to 35 mg per sq ft with a median of 25 mg per square foot. Coating shall not be dusty and shall be tightly bonded within itself and to the aluminum substrate.
 - 2) Non-chromate coatings must meet the requirements for ASTM B449 class 1 chromate coatings. The non-chrome coating shall be adherent and non-powdery. Adhesion of air dried acrylic coating shall meet ASTM D 3359 or ASTM D 4541 and must be equivalent to that of the coating on chromate coated aluminum of the same alloy.
 - e. Fabricate aluminum signs with adequately sized, full-length stiffener members as indicated on Drawings.
- D. V- Signs: Vehicular signs with reflective graphics and retroreflective message on an opaque background.

- 1. Base materials:
- Aluminum with **either reverse silk screened graphics** or pressure-applied retroreflective letters.
- 2. Graphics and Copy: Any of the following methods of producing graphics and copy may be employed.
 - a. Pressure applied retroreflective white letters/symbols. Use 3M High Intensity Prismatic White Sheeting 3930.

b. Silk screened; background inks shall be opaque, with retroreflective message.

- E. R- Regulatory and W- Warning vehicular signs with retroreflective graphics and message on a retroreflective background.
 - 1. All regulatory and warning signs to fully comply with MUTCD standards.
 - 2. Base material: Aluminum.
 - R and W signs shall have retroreflective messages and retroreflective background using either silk screening or pressure applied retroreflective letters and symbols.
 - 4. Retroreflective colors determined by 23 CFR Appendix to Subpart F of Part 655, Alternate Method to Determining the Color of Retro-reflective Sign Materials and pavement marking materials.
 - a. Federal Highway Authority (FHWA) Reflective Sheeting Identification Guide using ASTM D 4956-04.
 - b. Sheeting Types I through IX.
 - c. The daytime color of non-fluorescent retroreflective materials may be measured in accordance with ASTM Method E 1349, Standard Test Method for Reflectance Factor and Color by Spectrophotometry using Bidirectional Geometry of ASTM Test Method E 1347. Standard Test Method for Color and Color-Difference Measurement by Tristimulus Colorimetry.
 - d. The geometric conditions to be used in both test methods are 0/45 or 45/0 circumferential illumination or viewing. The CIE standard illuminant used in computing the colorimetric coordinates shall be D 65.
 - e. For fluorescent retroreflective materials ASTM E991 may be used to determine the chromaticity provided that the D65 illumination meets the requirements for E 991.
 - f. The following 3M Diamond Grade DG³ Reflective Sheeting materials meet the MUTCD retroreflective requirements:
 - 1) White $DG^{3}4090$
 - 2) Red DG³4092
 - 3) Blue DG³4095
 - 4) Yellow DG³4091
 - 5) Green $DG^3 4097$
 - 6) Brown DG³4099
 - 7) Fluorescent Yellow DG³ 4081
 - 8) Fluorescent Yellow Green DG^34083

- 9) Fluorescent Orange DG³4084
- F. PP- Pedestrian Panel Wayfinding and Directional Signs.
 - 1. Base materials:
 - a. Aluminum with **either reverse silk screened graphics or** pressureapplied letters.
 - b. Di-Bond with either reverse silk screened graphics or pressure applied letters.
 - Background color for all PP signs, pedestrian directional signs, to meet MUTCD standard blue, pantone color 294. to match pantone colors to be provided by owner.
 - 3. Graphics and Copy: Any of the following methods of producing graphics and copy may be employed:
 - A Pressure applied non-reflective letters/symbols.
 - b. Silk screened over a flat opaque background.
 - c. Original art and/or multi-color graphics shall be digitally produced on graphic media.
 - 4. All fasteners and brackets shall be non-corrosive.
 - 5. All electrical connections shall be concealed but accessible and serviceable.
 - 6. Interior of cabinet to be primed and painted white with acrylic polyurethane, high gloss finish.
 - 7. Illumination shall be designed by contractor. Incandescent light sources will not be accepted. Each sign shall contain terminal board with adequate wiring. Lamps to be spaced to prevent shadows and hot spots. Uneven illumination will be rejected. Ballast shall be appropriate to temperature ranges at project site. Minimum luminance of sign message shall be 10 cd/m² at night and 30 cd/m² during the day.
- G. Exterior non-illuminated panel signs (EP- Signs):
 - **1.** Sign design, construction fabrication and assembly shall be contractor responsibility. Where free-standing, supports shall meet AASHTO Standard
 - A Specifications for Highway Signs, Luminaries and Traffic Signals (Latest edition.) FRP, DiBond or aluminum panels are acceptable. Wood is not acceptable.
 - 2. Graphics and Copy: Any of the following methods of producing graphics and copy may be employed:
 - **a. Pressure applied reflective letters/symbols.**
 - b. Silk screened.
 - c. Digitally produced graphic media.
 - 3. No buckling, weaving, or oil canning of face panels will be accepted.
 - 4. Sign mounting to be as noted as drawings from among following:

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- a. Wall or ceiling mount: Provide mounting channel brackets as required by sign size and location.
- b. Post mount: Sign to be mounted on aluminum posts at both ends, with base plate bolted to concrete foundation to below local frost depth or a minimum of 2'6", which ever is greater. Coordinate anchor bolt locations with general contractor.
- c. Flag mount: Sign to be mounted on single aluminum post, with base plate bolted to concrete foundation to below local frost depth or a minimum of 2'6", which ever is greater. Coordinate anchor bolt locations with general contractor.
 - d. Concrete pedestal mount: Sign to be mounted on concrete pedestal of dimensions detailed on drawings. Coordinate anchor bolt, post sleeves and concealed electrical connections with pedestal contractor.
 - e. Aluminum pedestal mount: Provide aluminum pedestal cover per drawings. Coordinate anchor bolt, post sleeves and concealed electrical connections with pedestal contractor.
 - f. Overhead mount: Where overhead signs are to be mounted over roadways, support frame shall be designed in accordance with state department of transportation requirements for overhead signs.
- 5. All fasteners and brackets to be non-corrosive.
- 6. Externally illuminated panels: Where specified, illuminate panels in manner indicated using manufacturer's standard lighting components, including light source, transformers, insulators and other components. Make provisions for servicing and concealing connections to building electrical system. Provide lighting tubes of number and spacing required to illuminate sign faces evenly.
- H. Fasteners and Supports:
 - 1. Bolts, nylon insert lock nuts: ASTM A 320, Grade B stainless steel.
 - 2. Rivets for signs: ASTM B 316, Alloy 6063-T61 or equivalent. Aluminum alloy blind rivets of self-plugging variety may be substituted for solid aluminum alloy rivets, subject to acceptance by Engineer/Architect.
 - 3. Use concealed fasteners fabricated from metals not corrosive to sign material and mounting surface.
 - 4. Anchors and Inserts: Use nonferrous metal or hot dipped galvanized anchors and inserts for exterior installations and elsewhere as required for corrosion resistance. Use toothed steel or lead expansion bolt devices for drilled in place anchors. Furnish inserts, as required, to be set into concrete or masonry work.
 - 5. Sign posts: ASTM A 499 Grade 60 or ASTM A 576, Grade 1080 and meeting mechanical properties specified in ASTM A 499 for Grade 60 steel.
 - 6. Posts shall be zinc coated per ASTM A 123. Posts shall be straight, with smooth, uniform finish, free from defects affecting strength, durability, or appearance. Punch bolt holes such that post face shall be smooth and even. All holes and ends shall be burr free. After all fabrication, flow coat posts with durable, exterior type, rust inhibiting paint. Paint color: black, unless otherwise indicated on Drawings.

- 7. Adhesives, where used for wall mounted signs, shall be per the sign material manufacturer's recommendations.
- 8. For DiBond signs, fasteners and mountings shall follow manufacturer's
- A recommendations. Minimum edge distance of 0.75" or 2.5 times the diameter of the fastener being used is recommended as the distance from the center of the hole to the edge of the panel. Large flat washers shall be used to prevent crushing of the sign material.

PART 3 - EXECUTION

3.1 SURFACE PREPARATION OF SUBSTRATE FOR PAINTED SIGNS

- A. Prepare and clean in strict accordance with paint manufacturer's instructions and as specified here, for each substrate condition.
- B. Clean surfaces to be painted before applying paint or surface treatments. Remove oil and grease prior to mechanical cleaning. Program cleaning and painting so contaminants from cleaning process will not fall onto wet, newly painted surfaces.
- C. Cementitious Surfaces:
 - 1. Prepare surfaces to be painted by removing all efflorescence, chalk, dust, dirt, grease, oils, and, by roughening as required, glaze.
 - 2. Determine alkalinity and moisture content of surfaces to be painted by appropriate testing. If surfaces found to be sufficiently alkaline to cause blistering and burring of finish paint, correct before painting. Do not paint on surfaces with moisture content exceeds manufacturer's limits.
- D. Ferrous Metals: Clean uncoated ferrous surfaces of oil, grease, dirt, loose mill scale, and other foreign substances by solvent or mechanical cleaning. Clean previously coated metals in accordance with manufacturer recommendation.

3.2 MATERIALS PREPARATION FOR PAINTED SIGNS

- A. Mix and prepare painting materials per manufacturer's directions.
- B. Store materials not in use in tightly covered containers. Keep all containers clean, free of foreign materials and residue.
- C. Stir materials before applying to produce uniform mixture, and stir as required during application. Do not stir surface film into material. Remove film and strain material before using if necessary.

3.3 INSTALLATION

- A. General: Locate signs where shown using mounting methods of type described and in compliance with manufacturer's instructions. Install sign units level, plumb, and at height shown, with sign surfaces free from appearance defects.
- B. For drilled anchors in concrete, verify location of embedded reinforcing steel, posttensioning, or pre-stressing cables prior to installation.
- C. Wall Mounted Panel Signs: Attach to wall surfaces with Hilti "Hit" anchors or ITW Ramset/Red Head Hammer Set anchors into concrete or masonry surfaces as shown on Drawings. DO NOT OVERDRIVE anchors, as overdriven anchors will damage sign faces and spall concrete.
- D. Bracket Mounted Units: Provide manufacturer's standard brackets, fittings, and hardware as appropriate for mounting signs which project at right angles from walls or ceilings. Attach brackets securely to walls or ceilings with concealed fasteners and anchors per manufacturer's directions.
- E. Installation of signs shall conform to requirements of Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and/or state or local accessibility standards.

3.4 CLEANING AND PROTECTION

- A. At completion of installation, clean soiled sign surfaces in accordance with manufacturer's instructions. Protect units from damage until acceptance by Owner.
- B. Cleanup: During progress of Work, remove from site all discarded materials and rubbish at end of each day.
- C. Upon completion of painting, clean all paint spattered surfaces. Remove spattered paint by proper methods of washing and scraping, using care not to scratch or otherwise damage finished surfaces.
- D. Protection: Protect work of other trades, whether to be painted or not, against damage by painting and finishing. Correct any damage by cleaning, repairing, or replacing, and repainting, as acceptable to Engineer/Architect.
- E. Provide "Wet Paint" signs as required.

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