



VAN POPPELEN BROS., INC.

SPECIFICATIONS

SPLIT FACE MASONRY UNITS

PART 1 - General:

Submittals: Provide copies of material certificates signed by material producer and supplier, indicating test results and certifying that each material item complies with, or exceeds, specified requirements. Submit color samples for selection from manufacturer's standard colors.

QUALITY ASSURANCE

Certifications: Concrete blocks for finishing shall conform to ASTM C90.

Field Panel: Field Constructed Mock-ups: Construct a sample panel, no less than 4' x 4', of units of each color and size to be used in the project.

DELIVERY, STORAGE & HANDLING

Split Face units shall be delivered to the jobsite pallets. Store pallets in single-stacks on level ground and cover with waterproof covering (e.g., tarpaulins) to protect the blocks from inclement weather. Handle blocks carefully to avoid breakage and damage to the finished surfaces.

PART 2 – Products:

SPLIT FACE MASONRY UNITS

Manufacturer: Van Poppelen Brothers Inc., 1301 N. Sherman, Bay City, Michigan 48708, (989) 893-7503.

Pre Faced Surfaces: For Interior and Exterior use - conforming to Van Poppelen Brothers Inc. product standards and ASTM C90.

Colors: Select from VanPoppelen Brothers Inc. established color lines.

Sizes: Standard finished face size is 7-5/8" x 15-5/8". Nominal bed depths available 2", 4", 6", 8", 10", 12", 14", 16", 18".

Cleaning Compounds: Use masonry detergents in strict accordance to manufacturer's directions. **Do not use any product containing buffered or unbuffered acids or that has a pH less than 6.0.**

PART 3 - Execution:

LAYING MASONRY WALLS

Lay units using the best concrete masonry practices. Align units level, plumb, and true with uniform, carefully tooled 3/8" wide joints on the split face side of the wall. Draw blocks from more than one pallet at a time during installation.

Workmanship: Cut units with abrasive or diamond power saws and locate units for best appearance.

INSPECTION

The split face unit shall be free from cracks, crazes or any other imperfection that would detract from the overall appearance of the finished wall when viewed from a distance of twenty (20) feet at right angles to the wall with normal lighting

Exterior Weeps: Shall be installed using a minimum of 2" long vertical vents spaced 32" on-center. Place as detailed and at flashings and waterstops over windows, doors, beams, or other wall penetrations.

Flashings: Shall be installed as detailed and in strict compliance with the project documents, using the best practices for concrete block construction.

Final Cleandown: Use masonry detergents in strict accordance with the manufacturer's directions. **Do not use any product containing buffered or unbuffered acids or one which has a pH less than 6.0.** Do not use steel wool or other abrasives. Thoroughly rinse after use of cleaners and damp-dry with clean, soft cloths. Do not powerwash.

MAINTENANCE

Van Poppelen Brothers Pre-Faced Concrete Units, properly erected and cleaned require virtually no maintenance other than normal cleaning. Commercial cleaners such as pine oils or detergents which are non-abrasive are recommended. Cleaners which are caustic or contain acids should not be used. Some paints, marking inks, and graffiti stains are not soluble in standard cleaning materials and may require special cleaning procedures. Contact the manufacturer for specific cleaning recommendations for these conditions.