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**Composite Materials and
Engineering Center**

ICC
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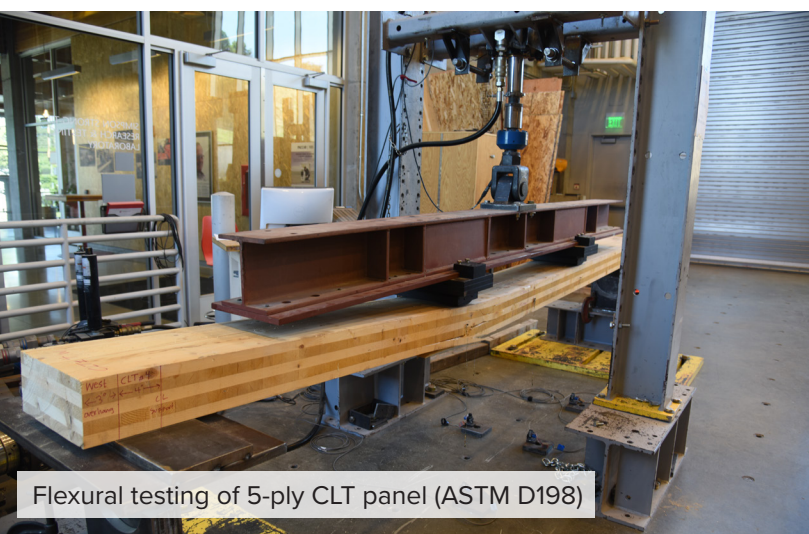
INTERNATIONAL ACCREDITATION SERVICE (IAS) ACCREDITED STRUCTURAL TESTING FACILITY

The Composite Materials and Engineering Center (CMEC) operates unique structural labs that are accredited through the International Code Council (ICC) and can perform various material and structural testing and evaluation for industry approval. Our high-bay lab has 2,400 sq ft of strong floor lab space, an 18 ft tall strong wall, and houses hydraulic actuators ranging from 7 to 330 kips, all dedicated for large-scale structural testing. We also have four universal test machines with capacities ranging from 2 to 60 kips for smaller-scale projects. We have a total of eight conditioning rooms that maintain temperature and humidity which allows for stable conditions while preparing and testing wood products. We provide nondestructive evaluation, engineering and fabrication of test fixtures, specimen preparation, mechanical property assessment, evaluation of structural system performance, and data analysis.

Our structural laboratory at Washington State University has been continuously accredited by ICC/IAS since 2002. This accreditation uniquely positions our facility among university laboratories in the U.S., as it allows us to perform code-recognized testing and produce reports that can be submitted directly to ICC-ES or other authorities having jurisdiction for product evaluation and certification. Our lab is equipped to test a wide range of building products and structural systems, from component-level tests (such as fasteners and connectors) to full system-level evaluations (including shear walls, diaphragm segments, full scale mass timber connections, and mass-timber assemblies). We are accredited to conduct testing under relevant ASTM and ICC ES standards and guidelines and can generate sealed, confidential reports suitable for submittal to ICC-ES in support of developing ICC-ES Evaluation Reports (ESR's).



Full-scale cyclic testing of wood shear wall (ASTM E2126)



Flexural testing of 5-ply CLT panel (ASTM D198)



Full-scale cyclic testing of CFS shear wall (ASTM E2126)

Accreditation by IAS as a testing laboratory indicates that we meet the highest international quality standards. Applicants for an evaluation report may use our reports and services as evidence of building code compliance. Scope of accreditation includes:

- Fasteners and connections
- Deck board and guardrail systems
- Full-scale wall and floor assemblies
- Physical/structural testing of wood and wood-based products
- testing of plastics and wood-plastic composites

SCOPE OF ACCREDITATION

ANSI A315.6

Hardboard Siding

APA PRP-401

Performance Standard for APA EWS Rim Boards

ASTM D 143

Standard Test Methods for Small Clear Specimens of Timber

ASTM D 198

Standard Test Methods of Static Tests of Lumber in Structural Sizes

ASTM D 1037

Standard Test Methods for Evaluating Properties of Wood-Based Fiber and Particle Panel Materials

ASTM D 1761

Standard Test Methods for Mechanical Fasteners in Wood

ASTM D 2395

Standard Test Methods for Specific Gravity of Wood and Wood-Based Materials

ASTM D 2915

Standard Practice for Sampling and Data-Analysis for Structural Wood and Wood-Based Products

ASTM D 3737

Standard Practice for Establishing Allowable Properties for Structural Glued Laminated Timber (Glulam)

ASTM D 4442

Standard Test Methods for Direct Moisture Content Measurement of Wood and Wood-Based Materials

ASTM D 4761

Standard Test Methods for Mechanical Properties of Lumber and Wood-Based Structural Materials

ASTM D 4933

Standard Guide for Moisture Conditioning of Wood and Wood-Based Products

ASTM D 5456

Standard Specification for Evaluation of Structural Composite Lumber Products

ASTM D 5652

Standard Test Methods for Bolted Connections in Wood and Wood-Based Products

ASTM D 5764

Standard Test Method for Evaluating Dowel-Bearing Strength of Wood and Wood-Based Products

ASTM D 6815

Standard Specification for Evaluation of Duration of Load and Creep Effects of Wood and Wood-Based Products

ASTM D 7031

Standard Guide for Evaluating Mechanical and Physical Properties of Wood-Plastic Composite Products

ASTM D 7032

Standard Specification for Establishing Performance Ratings for Wood-Plastic Composite Deck Boards and Guardrails Systems (Guards or Handrails)

ASTM D 7147

Standard Specification for Testing and Establishing Allowable Loads of Joist Hangers

ASTM D 7989

Standard practice for demonstrating equivalent in-plane lateral seismic performance to wood-frame shear walls sheathed with wood structural panels

ASTM E 72

Standard Test Methods of Conducting Strength Tests of Panels for Building Construction

ASTM E 330

Standard Test Method for Structural Performance of Exterior Windows, Doors, Skylights, and Curtain Walls by Uniform Static Air Pressure Difference

ASTM E 455

Standard Test Method for Static Load Testing of Framed Floor or Roof Diaphragm Constructions for Buildings

ASTM E 564

Standard Practice for Static Load Test for Shear Resistance of Framed Walls for Buildings

ASTM E 2126

Standard Test Methods for Cyclic (Reversed) Load Test for Shear Resistance of Vertical Elements of the Lateral Force Resisting Systems for Buildings

ASTM F 1575

Standard Test Method for Determining Bending Yield Moment of Nails

ASTM F 1679

Standard Test Method for Using a Variable Incidence Tribometer (VIT)

ICC-ES AC 47

Acceptance Criteria for Structural Wood-Based Products

ICC-ES AC 116

Acceptance Criteria for Nails

ICC-ES AC 120

Wood-frame horizontal diaphragms, vertical shear walls and braced walls with alternative fasteners

ICC-ES AC 130

Acceptance Criteria for Prefabricated Wood Shear Panels

ICC-ES AC 155

Acceptance Criteria for Hold-Downs (Tie-Downs) Attached to Wood Members

ICC-ES AC 162

Acceptance Criteria for Structural Bamboo

ICC-ES AC 174

Acceptance Criteria for Deck Board Span Ratings and Guardrail Systems (Guards and Handrails)

ICC-ES AC 273

Acceptance Criteria for Handrails and Guards

ICC-ES AC 424

Acceptance Criteria for Wood-Based Exterior Composite Trim Treated with Zinc-Borate (ZB) Preservative by a Non-Pressure Process.

ICC-ES AC 455

Cross-Laminated Timber Panels for Use as Components in Floor and Roof Decks, Floor and Roof

USDC PS 2

Performance Standard for Wood-Based Structural-Use Panels

STAYING CONNECTED

In addition to ICC Accredited Testing, we also provide other testing and evaluation services in traditional wood-based composite panels and CLTs, fiber refinement, full-scale extrusion, injection molding, compression molding, and material characterization (including rheology, thermal analysis, chemical and physical property analyses, spectroscopy, molecular particle sizing and electrokinetic potential, microscopy, and chromatography). Experienced CMEC faculty offer consulting services for modeling, experimental design, conducting scientific studies, interpretation of codes and standards, product development, process improvement, analysis, and interpretation of test data, and collaborating on proposals.

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4-sided surface planer

6-ft x 12-ft USNR CLT press