SECTION 32 31 16 WELDED WIRE FENCES AND GATES PART 1 - GENERAL

* 1. RELATED DOCUMENTS
     1. Drawings and general provisions of the Contract, including General and Supplementary Conditions.
  2. SUMMARY
     1. This Section includes the following:
        1. Fencing System complete with all hardware, posts, gates, and accessories necessary for a complete and aesthetically balanced installation.
        2. Swing gates and related hardware.
        3. Sliding gates and related hardware.
        4. Concrete foundation for posts.
     2. Related Sections
        1. 03 30 00 Cast in Place Concrete
        2. 31 00 00 Earthwork
  3. REFERENCES
     1. American Society for Testing and Materials:
        1. ASTM A53 Standard Specification for Pipe, Steel, Black and Hot-Dipped, Zinc-Coated, Welded and Seamless
        2. ASTM A123 Standard Specification for Zinc (Hot-Dip Galvanized) Coatings on Iron and Steel Products
        3. ASTM A1064 Standard Specification for Steel Welded Wire Reinforcement, Plain, for Concrete
        4. ASTM A500 Standard Specification for Cold-Formed Welded and Seamless Carbon Steel Structural Tubing in Rounds and Shapes
        5. ASTM A501 Standard Specification for Hot-Formed Welded and Seamless Carbon Steel Structural Tubing
        6. ASTM A641 Standard Specification for Zinc- (Galvanized) Coated Carbon Steel Wire
        7. ASTM B117 Standard Practice for Operating Salt Spray (Fog) Apparatus
        8. ASTM B633 Standard Specification for Electrodeposited Coatings of Zinc on Iron and Steel
        9. ASTM C33 Standard Specification for Concrete Aggregates
        10. ASTM C150 Standard Specification for Portland Cement
        11. ASTM C207 Standard Specification for Hydrated Lime for Masonry Purposes
        12. ASTM D1654 Standard Test Method for Evaluation of Painted or Coated Specimens Subjected to Corrosive Environments
        13. ASTM D2248 Standard Practice for Detergent Resistance of Organic Finishes
        14. ASTM D2794 Standard Test Method for Resistance of Organic Coatings to the Effects of Rapid Deformation
        15. ASTM D3359 Standard Test Methods for Measuring Adhesion by Tape Test
        16. ASTM D3363 Standard Test Method for Film Hardness by Pencil Test
        17. ASTM D4141 Standard Practice for Conducting Black Box and Solar Concentrating Exposures of Coatings
        18. ASTM F2408 Standard Specification for Ornamental Fences Employing Galvanized Steel Tubular Pickets
        19. ASTM F2919 Standard Specification for Welded Wire Mesh Fence Fabric
     2. American Concrete Institute:
        1. ACI 301 Specifications for Structural Concrete
  4. SYSTEM DESCRIPTION
     1. The Manufacturer shall supply a Fencing System complete with all hardware, posts, gates and accessories necessary for a complete and aesthetically balanced installation.
     2. Design Requirements: Fencing system, foundation and installation shall be engineered to withstand [90] mph wind load. (Where applicable, wind load rating to be based on IBC 2003 or local code if more stringent.)
  5. SUBMITTALS
     1. Product Data: For each product indicated, include manufacturer’s product literature, shop drawings, and product performance data indicating compliance with this specification.
     2. Installation Drawings: Show layout, locations, components, materials, dimensions, sizes, weights, finishes of components, installation and operational clearances, gate swings, post sizes, spacing and mesh type, gate details/dimensions, details of post anchorage, and post attachment/bracing.
     3. Samples: Submit color selections and samples for finishes on fence and accessories if requested by the specifier.
  6. QUALITY ASSURANCE
     1. The contractor shall provide laborers and supervisors who are thoroughly familiar with the type of construction involved and the materials and techniques specified. Review and follow manufacturer’s installation instructions.
     2. Provide fence system and gates, as a complete unit produced by a single manufacturer, including necessary erection accessories, fittings and fastenings.
     3. Manufacturer Qualifications: Company specializing in manufacturing the products specified in this section with a minimum of 10 years documented experience.
     4. Field Quality Control to be conducted by (Owner’s Project Manager) (General Contractor) (Manufacturers Technical Specialist).
  7. DELIVERY, HANDLING AND STORAGE
     1. Deliver fence materials, gates, posts, and accessories to project site, completely pre- finished. Upon receipt at the job site, all materials shall be checked to ensure that no damages occurred during shipping. Materials shall be handled and stored properly to protect against damage and theft.
     2. Handle fence components to protect finish coating from any scuffs, abrasion or other damage during unloading and installation. Excessive damage to factory applied coatings  will be cause for rejection.

PART 2 - PRODUCTS

* 1. MANUFACTURER

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* 1. MATERIAL
     1. Fencing System: Subject to the performance and design requirement specified herein, fence and gates shall be manufactured from the following materials:
        1. Wire Mesh Panels: Panels shall be 8.20’ wide x 2’, 4’, 5’, 6’ or 8’ high.
           1. Panels shall be welded by resistance as per ASTM A1064 using 6.5 gauge (.185”) Galvanized coated steel wire.
           2. The wire shall have a tensile strength of at least 70,000 lbs. / in2, and 2100 lbs. break strength.
           3. Horizontal and Vertical wires shall be welded to form a 2” x 6“ rectangle.
           4. Panels shall have the number of folds per the table below depending on the respective height of the panel.

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| Panel Height | 2’ | 4’ | 5’ | 6’ | 7' | 8’ |
| Reinforcement  Ribs | 2 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 4 |

1. Exterior surface shall have a 2 to 4 mil polyester coating applied after fabrication as described in section 2.3.
2. The vertical wires of the mesh shall extend 1” from the last or first horizontal wire thereby creating a spiked top or bottom, depending on its position when installed.
   * + 1. Square Tubular Posts:
          1. Steel Posts to be per ASTM F2408 with increased strength to minimum yield strength of 45,000 psi.
          2. Material greater than 8 ga and larger than 4 inch O.D. shall be formed per ASTM A53, ASTM A500 Grade B, or ASTM A501, with a minimum yield of 46,000 psi and shall be hot dipped galvanized in accordance with ASTM A123.
       2. Fittings and Fasteners:
          1. Post caps shall be of press on type steel caps zinc plated to ASTM B633, Service class II or malleable steel caps galvanized to ASTM A123, finished to match fence finish and color.
          2. Post brackets shall be galvanized or stainless steel with stainless, galvanized or zinc plated fasteners or Nylon face mount bracket. All brackets shall be finished to match fence finish and color.
       3. Swing Gates: Design of gates shall be as shown on the Drawings.
          1. Gate Frames and Infill Panels: Materials as described above.
          2. Frame Members: Shall be MIG welded. If necessary, truss rods or cables to be used to prevent gate sag and allow for future adjustment.
          3. Gate Posts and Foundation: Size as determined by Engineer, based on gate size, local wind loading requirements, and installation type.
          4. Hinges: Manufacturer’s standard hinges, structurally capable of supporting gate leaf and allow opening and closing without binding. Non-lift-off type hinge design shall permit gate to swing 180⁰ (degrees). Hinge pins shall be non-removable.
          5. Latch: Capable of retaining gate in closed position and have provision for padlock.
          6. Keeper: Provide keeper for each gate leaf over 5 feet wide. Gate keeper shall consist of mechanical device for securing free end of gate when in full open position.
       4. Slide, Cantilever and Overhead Track Gate Design of gates shall be as shown on the Drawings.
          1. Gate Frames and Infill Panels: Materials as described above in 2.2.1.1.
          2. Frame members: Shall be MIG welded. If necessary, truss rods or cables to be used to prevent gate sag and allow for future adjustment.
          3. Gate Posts: Size as determined by Engineer, based on gate size, local wind loading requirements, and installation type.

2.3. POWDER COATED FACTORY FINISH

1. Coating Material: Posts, post caps, rails, pales, brackets and security mesh shall be finished with a factory applied TGIC polyester powder coating of the “Super-Durable” class. Powder coated finish shall meet or exceed the following performance criteria. Color shall be Black.
2. Applicable Requirements to Validate the Coating Process:
3. Adhesion Resistance: ASTM D3359, Measuring Adhesion by Tape Test, Method B.
   1. Minimum Performance Requirement: Coating retention of not less than 95%.
4. Impact Resistance: ASTM D2794, Resistance of Organic Coatings to the Effects of Rapid Deformation (Impact).
   1. Minimum Performance Requirement: resistance to impact – Pass, 9 N m.
5. Film Hardness ASTM D3363, Film Hardness by Pencil Test
   1. Minimum Performance Requirement – Minimum Hardness: 2H.
6. Solar Concentration Exposure: ASTM D4141, Conducting Black Box and Solar Concentrating Exposures of Coatings, Method C. (Equivalent to EMMAQUA NTW)
   1. Minimum Performance Requirement - coating must test to a minimum of 50% Gloss Retention at 1,400 MJ/m2 with no film failure, chalking, cracking or checking and no more than 10% fading.
7. Film Thickness: ASTM G12, 2.0 min.
8. Flexibility: ASTM D-1737-89, No breaks, flakes or cracks on Q-panel 5B (100% adhesion to the substrate).

7. Gloss 60 angle: ASTM D-523-89. 50- 60

1. Abrasion Resistance: ASTM D1044, 90-95 mg weight loss
2. Accelerated Weathering: ASTM G-23, 1000 hours (70% gloss retention, ɅE: <2.0).
3. Humidity: ASTM D2247, 1000 hours – No blisters
4. Thickness: Provide film thickness of 2-4 mils as measured by manufacturer’s standard powder coat measurement and inspection procedures.
5. Pretreatment: The fence sheeting and framework shall be prepared using a 7 stage Zinc Phosphate wash line. The pre-treatment cleaning system will remove foreign material and to properly prepare the surface to achieve the coating system requirements specified above.
6. Curing: Heat cure in accordance with powder manufacturer’s prescribed cure schedule to properly crosslink and bond finish to metal substrate.
7. Chemical Resistance: ASTM B117
   1. Corrosion Resistance:
      1. Procedure: Preparation of Test Specimens- Perform a single scribe the length of the specimen, within one inches of any edge and deep enough to expose the base metal. Expose the specimen for 1,000 hours per ASTM B117-07 using a 5% salt solution and 95°F operational temperature. After exposure, remove specimens and wipe dry. Immediately apply tape (Permacel 99 or equal) over scribed are by pressing down firmly against the coating. Sharply pull the tape off at a right angle to the surface being tested.
         1. Performance: The required is a minimum of seven on the scribed edge and minimum blister rating of eight within the test specimen field in accordance with tables in ASTM D1654.
   2. CONCRETE FOOTINGS

\*This section shall be superseded by requirements of anti-ram barrier system if used in conjunction with this installation\*

* + 1. General: Comply with ACI 301 for cast-in-place concrete; materials consisting of Portland cement complying with ASTM C150, aggregates complying with ASTM C33, and potable water.
    2. Concrete Mixes: Normal-weight concrete air entrained with not less than 3000-psi (20.7- MPa) compressive strength (28 days), 3-inch (75-mm) slump, and 1-inch (25-mm) maximum size aggregate.
    3. Footings: Footings shall be minimum 3,000 psi after twenty-eight (28) days concrete. Footing sizes shall be determined by Engineer.

PART 3 - EXECUTION

* 1. PREPARATION
     1. Verify areas to receive fencing.
     2. Coordinate fence installation with work of other sections listed in these specifications.
     3. Examine conditions under which fencing and gates are to be installed. Notify Contractor of unsatisfactory conditions. Do not proceed with work until conditions are satisfactory to the installer.
  2. INSTALLATION
     1. Install fence and gates in accordance with manufacturer’s instructions and approved installation drawings. Install fencing to withstand wind load as specified.
     2. Handle fence components to protect finish coating from any scuffs, abrasion or other damage during installation. Excessive damage to factory applied coatings will be cause for rejection.
     3. Space posts at dimensions indicated in the installation drawings. Attach fence rails to posts using stainless steel or galvanized steel, panel hanger brackets or nylon face mount bracket supplied by manufacturer. Field welding of panels to posts is unacceptable as it will cause significant damage to the galvanizing and powder coat protective finishes.
     4. Concrete Footings: Place concrete around posts and vibrate or tamp for consolidation. Verify that posts are set plumb, aligned, and at correct height and spacing, and stabilized in position during placement and finishing operations until concrete is sufficiently cured. Protect portion of posts above ground from concrete splatter.
     5. Install gates level, plumb, and secure for full opening without interference. Attach hardware using tamper-resistant or concealed means. Install ground-set items in concrete for anchorage. Adjust gate to operate smoothly, easily, and quietly throughout entire operational range. Confirm that latches and locks engage accurately and securely without forcing or binding.
     6. Avoid unnecessary cutting, drilling and welding of pre-finished fence components. If necessary to cut drill, weld or otherwise modify product due to field conditions, repair factory finish in accordance with item below.
     7. Touch-up any necessary areas by lightly sanding; apply a zinc-rich cold galvanizing primer followed by a high quality acrylic lacquer paint to match finish. (Touch-up paint available from manufacturer) Note: field applied touch-up cannot match the performance of factory applied finishes and should be limited in use.
  3. CLEANING
     1. Fence contractor shall remove packing materials and unused product and level uneven areas due to excavations created by fence installations.

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