SECTION 26 05 29 - HANGERS AND SUPPORTS FOR ELECTRICAL SYSTEMS

PART 1 - GENERAL

1.1 DESCRIPTION

A. Provide all electrical equipment and wiring with adequate supports of specified type required for a complete installation.

1.2 SUBMITTAL AND RECORD DOCUMENTATION

A. Submit shop drawings indicating details of fabricated products and materials.

PART 2 - PRODUCTS

2.1 FASTENERS

- A. Fastenings shall be by wood screws or screw-type nails to wood; by toggle bolts on hollow masonry units; by expansion bolts on concrete or brick; by machine screws, welded threaded studs, heat-treated or spring steel tension clamps on steel work; for new concrete installation use cast-in-concrete inserts. Kindorf D-255 or approved.
- B. Hammer-driven and trigger-fired anchors may be used only after obtaining specific written authorization from the Architect.

2.2 OUTLET BOX SUPPORTS

- A. Wood Stud Walls: Adjustable bar hangers with "C" channel cross section Steel City 6010 series, or approved, or mounted on solid blocking. 4-inch square boxes adjacent to wood studs may be side nailed and back braced with Steel City No. 50 box brace.
- B. Light steel construction, bar hangers with 1-inch long studs between metal studs or metal stud "C" brackets snapped on and tab-locked to metal studs.
- C. Concrete or masonry walls where boxes are not cast in place. Flush anchors or concrete inserts.
- D. Flush Ceiling Outlets: Steel City 6010 series or equal bar hangers.

2.3 CONDUIT SUPPORTS

- A. One Hole Malleable Straps: Steel City, Appleton, T&B, Diamond, Raco, or approved.
- B. Conduit Clips: Caddy, Raco, or approved.
- C. Nail-Up Straps: 1/2" through 1", Raco 2252, 2253, 2254, or approved.

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- D. Adjustable Hangers for Conduits 1-1/2" and Larger: Steel City C-149 with threaded steel rod of proper size.
- E. Adjustable trapeze hangers to support groups of parallel conduits; Steel City B-905 steel channel, H-119 square washer, C-105 strap, threaded rod. Components of Unistrut, Globe Strut, Harvey Alstrut, Kindorf, Thomas & Betts, or approved.

2.4 HANGER ROD ATTACHMENTS

A. Side Beam Connector, Kindorf E-244; 90 degree fitting, Kindorf B-916; clamp type anchor clips Kindorf Type "C," Unistrut P2675 or approved, spot type concrete insert Kindorf B-255 with "Galv-Krom" finish.

2.5 SUPPORT CHANNELS

- A. Conduit: Kindorf B-905 with Galv-Krom finish, and C-105 single bolt channel pipe straps.
- B. Lighting: Kindorf B-900 with G-969 closure strip and G-977 swing connector.
- C. Recessed in Concrete: Kindorf D-980 with D-982 anchored end caps and D-983 joiner clips.

PART 3 - EXECUTION

3.1 INSTALLATION

- A. Every fastening device and support for electrical equipment (includes fixtures, panels, outlets, conduits, and cabinets) shall be capable of sustaining not less than four times the ultimate weight of the object or objects. Fasten support to the building or a building structural member.
- B. Provide independent supports to the building or building structural member for electrical fixtures, materials, or equipment installed in or on ceiling, walls, or in void spaces and/or over the furred or suspended ceilings. Chain or additional ceiling wires may be used for light fixture supports.
- C. Other crafts' fastening devices shall not be used for the supporting means of electrical, equipment, materials, or fixtures.
- D. Supports and/or fastening devices shall not be used to support more than one particular item.
- E. Vertical support members for equipment and fixtures shall be straight and parallel to building walls.
- F. Examine all equipment locations to determine type of supports required.
- G. Raceways or pipe straps shall not be welded to steel structures.
- H. Holes cut to a depth of more than 1-1/2" in reinforced concrete beams or to a depth of more than 3/4" in concrete joists shall avoid cutting the main reinforcing bars. Holes not used shall be filled.

3.2 BOXES

- A. Boxes and pendants for surface-mounted fixtures on suspended ceilings shall be supported independently of the ceiling supports.
- B. In open overhead spaces, cast metal boxes threaded to raceways need not be separately supported except where used for fixture support; cast metal boxes having threadless connectors and sheet metal boxes shall be supported directly from the building structure or by bar hangers.
- C. Where bar hangers are used, the bar shall be attached to raceways on opposite sides of the box and the raceway shall be supported with an approved fastener not more than 24" from the box.

3.3 RACEWAYS

- A. Support conduits within 18" of outlets, boxes, panels, cabinets, couplings, elbows, and deflections. Maximum distance between supports shall not exceed ten (10) foot spacing.
- B. Conduit up to and including 1" EMT may be supported from ceiling fixture wires by conduit clips or other approved devices only with written approval of the installer of the ceiling support system. All other conduit runs shall be secured to the structure by two-hole straps or supported on Kindorf or Unistrut hangers. Wire will not be permitted for supporting conduit. All visible conduit runs will be parallel to the building structural lines.
- C. Anchor conduit installed in poured concrete to the steel reinforcing with No. 14 black iron wire.
- D. In partitions of light steel construction, sheet metal screws may be used, and bar hangers may be attached with saddle-suspended ceiling construction only. Lighting system branch circuit raceways shall be fastened to the ceiling supports.
- E. Support suspended feeder conduits by metal ring or trapeze hangers with threaded steel rods. Wire ties to prevent displacement, using not less than No. 14 iron wire, may be used only for concealed runs in concrete for conduit up to 1-1/4".
- F. At main distribution and surface mounted branch panels and cabinets where conduit exits from the top, provide support channels on wall 24" above panel and at 6'-0" intervals from there on for support of conduits.

END OF SECTION