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Section 705.8

Question:

Is it the intent of code to allow impact and fire resistant glazing that is designed as part of a fully enclosed structure if it satisfies all the requirements of Section 705 without being counted as an opening and thus held to the requirements of Section 705.8 and the subsequent table?

Answer

No, the amount of opening would be limited per Table 705.8 for protected openings. In this case protection refers to fire protection, not impact protection from missiles.

Commentary:

None.

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