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Section

Question:

Answer

It depends on which Section of the code is used for compliance. The code provides two methods: 1710.5.1 or 1710.5.2

In the 2014 Florida Building Code, section 1710.5 states, Exterior window and door assemblies. The design pressure rating of exterior windows and doors in buildings shall be determined in accordance with Section 1710.5.1 or 1710.5.2. The design pressures, as determined from ASCE 7 are permitted to be multiplied by 0.6.

The code and the standards are material neutral as well hence they apply to steel doors.

If you choose section 1710.5.1 to demonstrate compliance you will have to test to AAMA 101�, etc. to demonstrate compliance AND label the door.

If you choose section 1710.5.2, you have to demonstrate compliance through testing for structural strength using the ASTM E 330 standard. No reference to a label is made.

Commentary:

None

Notice:

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interpretation of the Florida Building Code in the interest of consistency in their application statewide. This interpretation is informal, non-binding and subject to acceptance and approval by the local building official.