

What is Wrong with Brick Masonry Veneer over Steel Studs?

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Abstract:

The literature is replete with warnings against the use of the brick masonry veneer over steel stud wall system. Field experience has confirmed laboratory research which indicates that the system could become life threatening. At least 33 authors provide evidence of the risks inherent in the system. Society requires that an architect or engineer do what a prudent person would have done under the same or similar circumstances at a given time and place. Duty requires that an architect or engineer warn clients about the potential danger.

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