PART 1 - GENERAL

1.1 SCOPE OF WORK

A. This specification is for a non-penetrating FRP (Fiberglass Reinforced Plastic) round tube hatch guardrail system in compliance with Sections 1015.3, 1015.4.4, 1015.6, 1015.7, 1607.8.1, 1607.8.1.1, and 1607.8.1.2 of the 2018 International Building Code and OSHA 29 CFR 1910.28 (b)(1) Protection from Fall Hazards, 1910.29 (b) Guardrail Systems, 1926.501 (b) (1) Fall Protection, and 1926.502 (b) Guardrail Systems.

1.2 REFERENCES

A. The publications listed below (latest revision applicable) form a part of this specification to the extent referenced herein. The publications are referred to within the text by the designation only.

AMERICAN SOCIETY FOR TESTING AND MATERIALS (ASTM) Test Methods and Standards:

ASTM D-638-Tensile Properties of Plastics
ASTM D-790-Flexural Properties of Unreinforced and Reinforced Plastics
ASTM D-2344-Apparent Interlaminar Shear Strength of Parallel Fiber Composites by Short Beam Method
ASTM D-696-Coefficient of Linear Thermal Expansion for Plastics
ASTM E-84-Surface Burning Characteristics of Building Materials
ASTM A153 – Standard Specification for Zinc Coating (Hot-Dip) on Iron and Steel Hardware

INTERNATIONAL CODE COUNCIL, INC.
The International Building Code, 2018

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1.3 SUBMITTALS

A. When required by the contract, the CONTRACTOR shall furnish shop drawings the roof hatch guardrail system in accordance with the provisions of this Section.

B. When required by the contract, the CONTRACTOR shall furnish manufacturer's shop drawings clearly showing material sizes, types, styles, part or catalog numbers, complete
details for the fabrication of and erection of components including, but not limited to, location, lengths, type and sizes of fasteners, clip angles, member sizes, and connection details.

C. The CONTRACTOR shall submit the manufacturer’s published product data including product data sheets, installation instructions, and typical assembly details.

D. The CONTRACTOR may be requested to submit sample pieces of each item specified herein for acceptance by the ENGINEER as to quality and color. Sample pieces shall be manufactured by the method to be used in the WORK.

1.4 QUALITY ASSURANCE

A. All items to be provided under this Section shall be furnished only by manufacturers having a minimum of ten (10) years’ experience in the design and manufacture of similar products and systems. Additionally, if requested, a record of at least five (5) previous, separate, similar successful installations in the last five (5) years shall be provided.

B. Manufacturer shall offer a 3-year limited warranty on all FRP products against defects in materials and workmanship.

C. Manufacturer shall be certified to the ISO 9001-2015 standard.

D. Manufacturer shall provide proof of certification from at least two other quality assurance programs for its facilities or products (DNV, ABS, USCG, AARR).

1.5 PRODUCT DELIVERY AND STORAGE

A. Delivery of Materials: Manufactured materials shall be delivered in original, unbroken pallets, packages, containers, or bundles bearing the label of the manufacturer.

B. Storage of Products: Store products in the manufacturer’s original packaging until needed. All materials shall be carefully handled to prevent them from abrasion, cracking, chipping, twisting, other deformations, and other types of damage.

PART 2 - PRODUCTS

2.1 MANUFACTURER:

A. Roof hatch guardrail system to be DynaRound Hatch Guard as manufactured by:

Fibergrate Composite Structures Inc.
5151 Belt Line Road, Suite 1212
Dallas, Texas  75254-7028 USA
(800) 527-4043 Phone (972) 250-1530 Fax

Website: www.fibergrate.com
E-mail: info@fibergrate.com

2.2 SYSTEM

A. The installed Hatch Guard System is to have a minimum finished height of 42 inches (1067 mm) with a mid-rail installed at 21 inches (533 mm) above the walking surface. The
completed system should include posts, rails, fittings, and a non-penetrating connection to
the hatch body sufficient to fulfill the requirements of this specification.

B. The FRP rails, posts, and safety gate are to be finished in a high visibility safety yellow or a
light gray polyurethane paint system.

C. The installed Hatch Guard System must not penetrate the roof or hatch in any way. The
Hatch Guard is to clamp to the body of the hatch using a system of FRP channels and clamp
angles to secure the Hatch Guard in place. The roof should be protected from abrasion by
thermoplastic caps at the bottom ends of the posts and by any additional means as
recommended by the roofing manufacturer.

D. The Hatch Guard is to feature a 30 inch (762 mm) clear opening in the guardrail for
accessing the hatch. This opening is to be protected by a self-closing, two rail FRP gate that
swings outward, away from the hatch. The gate is to be equipped with corrosion resistant,
field adjustable self-closing hinges that are factory mounted to the post supporting the gate.

E. The DynaRound Hatch Guard is to be available in three standard sizes and two standard
colors, available for order by a single part number, adjustable to fit hatch bodies within the
dimension ranges listed below:

Safety Yellow/UV Coated:

- PN 5041210: 30-36 inches x 30-54 inches (762-914 mm x 762-1372 mm)
- PN 5041310: 30-36 inches x 96-114 inches (762-914 mm x 2438-2896 mm)
- PN 5041410: 42-48 inches x 42-60 inches (1067-1219 mm x 1067-1524 mm)

Light Gray/UV Coated:

- PN 5041212: 30-36 inches x 30-54 inches (762-914 mm x 762-1372 mm)
- PN 5041312: 30-36 inches x 96-114 inches (762-914 mm x 2438-2896 mm)
- PN 5041412: 42-48 inches x 42-60 inches (1067-1219 mm x 1067-1524 mm)

F. Structural Performance – The completed system is to be capable of withstanding a 200 lb
(890 N) load applied downward or outward to any point on the top rail without failure. When
the 200 lb load is applied in a downward direction, the top rail must not deflect to a height of
less than 39 inches (990 mm) above the walking surface. The midrail must be capable of
withstanding a force of 150 lb (667 N) applied in either a downward or outward direction
without failure. Top rail and mid-rail loads do not need to be applied concurrently.

2.3 MATERIALS

A. All posts, rails, channels, and safety gate are to be DYNAFORM® FRP structural shapes
manufactured by the pultrusion process. The structural shapes shall be composed of
fiberglass reinforcement and resin in qualities, quantities, properties, arrangements and
dimensions as necessary to meet the design requirements and dimensions specified in the
Contract Documents.

B. Fiberglass reinforcement shall be a combination of continuous roving, continuous strand mat,
and surfacing veil in sufficient quantities as needed by the application and/or physical
properties required.

C. Resin shall be DYNAFORM® VEFR, fire retardant vinyl ester with a chemical formulation
necessary to provide the corrosion resistance, strength and other physical properties as
required.

D. All finished surfaces of FRP items and fabrications shall be smooth, resin-rich, free of voids and without dry spots, cracks, crazes or unreinforced areas. All glass fibers shall be well covered with resin to protect against their exposure due to wear or weathering.

E. The fiberglass posts, rails, and safety gate are to be further protected from ultraviolet (UV) attack with 1) integral UV inhibitors in the resin, 2) a synthetic surfacing veil to help produce a resin rich surface, and 3) an appropriate UV resistant coating for outdoor exposures.

F. All FRP products shall have a tested flame spread rating of 25 or less per ASTM E84.

G. Posts, rails, and safety gate are to be fabricated from pultruded 1.9" OD x 0.2" wall (48.3 mm x 5.1 mm) round tube, integrally pigmented yellow, with the minimum longitudinal mechanical properties listed below:

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<th>Property</th>
<th>ASTM Method</th>
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<tr>
<td>Flexural Strength (Full Section)</td>
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<td>70,000 (482)</td>
<td>psi (MPa)</td>
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<td>Flexural Modulus (Full Section)</td>
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<td>5.0 x 10⁶ (34.4)</td>
<td>psi (GPa)</td>
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<td>Short Beam Shear (Transverse)</td>
<td>D2344</td>
<td>4,500 (31)</td>
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<td>Shear Modulus (Transverse)</td>
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<td>psi (GPa)</td>
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<td>Density</td>
<td>D792</td>
<td>0.062 – 0.070 (1.71 – 1.93)</td>
<td>lb/in³ (g/cc)</td>
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<td>Coefficient of Thermal Expansion</td>
<td>D696</td>
<td>8.0 x 10⁻⁶ (1.4 x 10⁻⁶)</td>
<td>in/in/°F (cm/cm/°C)</td>
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<td>Flame Spread</td>
<td>E84</td>
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H. The Hatch Guard posts in contact with the building roof are to be supplied with a thermoplastic cap to protect with the roof from abrasion.

I. All other fittings used for the roof hatch guardrail assembly are to be galvanized cast iron and feature 9/16-inch diameter socket head set screws for clamping to the 1.9" OD x 0.2" wall (48.3 mm x 5.1 mm) FRP round tube.

2.4 FABRICATION

A. All posts, rails, channels, and safety gate are to be shop fabricated to the correct size and labeled to insure correct assembly. Caps are to be shop bonded to the ends of the posts prevent the intrusion of foreign material. The safety gate is to be factory attached to the supporting post to insure correct assembly.

B. The cut ends and drilled holes on all FRP components are to be sealed at the factory.

PART 3 - EXECUTION

3.1 PREPARATION

A. Inspect and inventory all DynaRound Hatch Guard components to verify that all materials are available for installation and to verify that no components are damaged prior to installation.
B. Inspect the hatch and surrounding roof to verify that the area where the DynaRound Hatch Guard is to be installed is prepared for installation. Remove any debris/obstructions in the installation area and verify all field dimensions prior to assembling the DynaRound Hatch Guard System.

3.2 INSTALLATION

A. Install the DynaRound Hatch Guard System following the manufacturer’s detailed installation instructions. The installation instructions shall be shipped along with the Hatch Guard System and are available at the manufacturer’s website: www.fibergrate.com

B. The set screws in the fittings should be torqued to the values listed in the installation instructions and thread locking compound applied at final assembly to prevent loosening.

3.4 INSPECTION

A. The complete installation is to be inspected to verify correct assembly, proper function of the safety gate, and that all set screws have been properly torqued and thread lock compound applied.

END OF SECTION