



# NEW REQUIREMENTS FOR CLADDING AND SIDING ON NYC BUILDINGS



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### 718.2.6 Architectural trim.

Fireblocking shall be installed within concealed spaces of exterior wall coverings and other exterior architectural elements where permitted to be of combustible construction as specified in Section 1406 or where erected with combustible frames, at maximum intervals of 20 feet (6096 mm) so that there will be no open space exceeding 100 square feet (9.3m<sup>2</sup>). Where wood furring strips are used, they shall be of approved wood of natural decay resistance or preservative-treated wood. If non-continuous, such elements shall have closed ends, with at least 4 inches (101.6 mm) of separation between sections. For the purposes of this section, fenestration products, and flashing of fenestration products and water-resistive barrier flashing and accessories at other locations, including through wall flashings and attachment accessories, shall not be considered combustible construction.

↳ To view exceptions, please refer to the NYC Building Code.

### 718.2.6.1 Exterior wall coverings containing plastics, metal composite materials (MCM) or high-pressure decorative exterior-grade compact laminates (HPL) panels.

Exterior wall coverings containing plastics complying with Chapter 26, metal composite materials (MCM) or high-pressure decorative exterior-grade compact laminates (HPL), shall be fire-blocked.

#### 718.2.6.1.1 Locations.

Noncombustible fireblocking materials shall be required at all of the following locations to cut off concealed spaces within the exterior wall covering:

1. Around wall openings.
2. In alignment with the slab edge, for a height of not less than 8 inches (203.2mm), and at maximum intervals of 20 feet (6096 mm) vertically.
3. Between different occupancy groups, horizontally or vertically, as applicable.

#### 718.2.6.1.2 Foam plastic insulation.

Foam plastic insulation in the exterior wall covering shall be interrupted with noncombustible materials approved for fireblocking at locations specified in Section 718.2.6.1.1.

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Does your façade application have combustible components, such as subgirts, cladding, insulation, etc?

**OR**



Is your cladding GFRC, UHPC, fiber cement, thin brick, porcelain, thin terracotta, honeycomb composite?

Did you answer “Yes” to any of the questions above?

**Your Assembly Might Require Fireblocking.**

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