SECTION 083113 – ACCESS DOORS AND FRAMES

PART 1—GENERAL

1.1 Scope of Standard

A. This standard provides general guidance concerning the specific preferences for doors and frames for ceilings, floors, and walls.

B. Project conditions and requirements vary, thus precluding the absolute adherence to the items identified herein in all cases. However, unless there is adequate written justification, it is expected that these guidelines will govern the design and specifications.

1.2 General Requirements

A. General locations: Access doors are to be provided for all maintenance points where immediate access is required. As a standard in non-accessible ceilings, provide an access door no less than every 200 sq. ft. Specify that above non accessible ceilings, contractor shall coordinate trades to locate items needing maintenance access in grouped locations to minimize access doors. Coordinate access door layout with project representative in advance of installation.

B. Locking: Provide lockable access doors when they are located in public areas or where providing access to crawl spaces. Coordinate keying with hardware section.

C. All doors shall be prime coated for field finishing.

D. Minimum sizes: Coordinate with mechanical divisions and with specific job requirements.

1. In wall, 10 x 10 inches square door: Plumbing valves, reset buttons, controls manometers, etc.

2. In wall, 24 x 24 inches square door: Plumbing fittings at toilets, mechanical filters banks, access hatches, areas requiring work access for unit replacement, etc.

3. In ceiling, 12 x 12 inches square door: Above ceiling cut-off valves, duct dampers, fire and/or smoke dampers, meters, registers, etc.

4. In ceiling, 24 x 30 inches square door: HVAC filter units, remote duct dampers, remote fire dampers, remote electrical J-boxes, access hatches, etc.

E. Larger sizes are permitted to suit special requirements recommended by the design professional.
PART 2: PRODUCTS – NOT USED

PART 3: EXECUTION – NOT USED

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