

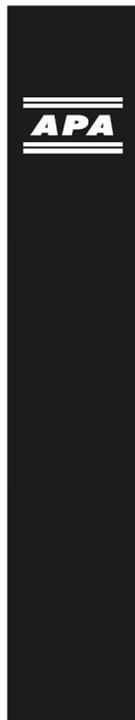
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Engineered Wood CONSTRUCTION GUIDE



A GUIDE TO ENGINEERED WOOD PRODUCTS

The evolution of engineered wood products has greatly expanded building options and methods in all forms of residential and commercial construction. The product section of this APA guide provides product information and specification recommendations for several of the most common engineered wood products—plywood, oriented strand board, glulam, structural composite lumber (SCL) and I-joists. Other engineered wood products that are often used in the construction systems described in this guide include cross-laminated timber (CLT) and Rim Board®.

“Engineered wood” describes wood products that are engineered for structural applications. Plywood has been used since the 1940s and is considered by many to be the original engineered wood product. Engineered wood products are made by combining wood strands, veneers, lumber or other wood fiber with moisture-resistant adhesives to form a larger composite structural unit. They are designed and manufactured to maximize the natural strength and stiffness characteristics of wood by optimally orienting the wood veneers, strands or laminations and by combining wood with durable structural adhesives.



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8.1.2 Definitions

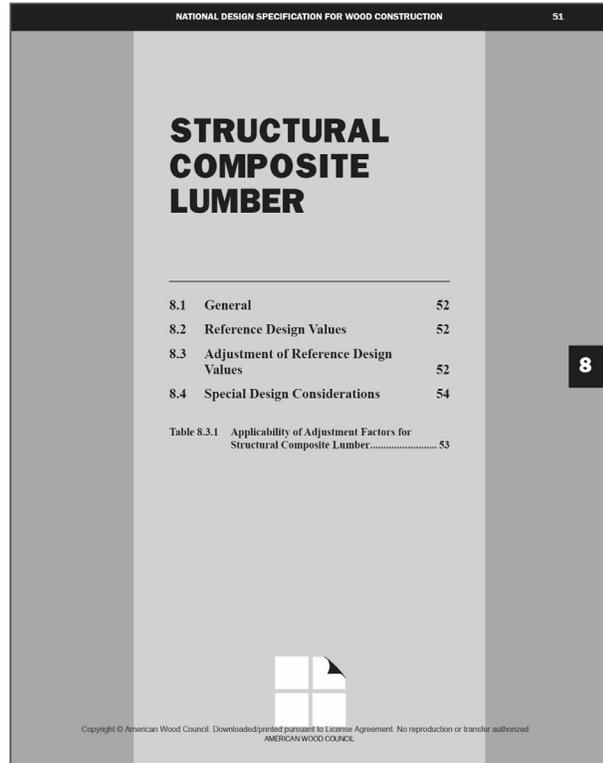
LVL 8.1.2.1 The term “laminated veneer lumber” refers to a composite of wood veneer sheet elements with wood fiber primarily oriented along the length of the member. Veneer thickness shall not exceed 0.25”.

PSL 8.1.2.2 The term “parallel strand lumber” refers to a composite of wood strand elements with wood fibers primarily oriented along the length of the member. The least dimension of the strands shall not exceed 0.25” and the average length shall be a minimum of 150 times the least dimension.

LSL 8.1.2.3 The term “laminated strand lumber”, refers to a composite of wood strand elements with wood fibers primarily oriented along the length of the member. The least dimension of the strands shall not exceed 0.10” and the average length shall be a minimum of 150 times the least dimension.

OSL 8.1.2.4 The term “oriented strand lumber”, refers to a composite of wood strand elements with wood fibers primarily oriented along the length of the member. The least dimension of the strands shall not exceed 0.10” and the average length shall be a minimum of 75 times the least dimension.

8.1.2.5 The term “structural composite lumber” refers to either laminated veneer lumber, parallel strand lumber, laminated strand lumber, or oriented strand lumber. These materials are structural members bonded with an exterior adhesive.



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Table 8.3.1 Applicability of Adjustment Factors for Structural Composite Lumber

		ASD only	ASD and LRFD							LRFD only			
			Load Duration Factor	Wet Service Factor	Temperature Factor	Beam Stability Factor	Volume Factor	Repetitive Member Factor	Column Stability Factor	Bearing Area Factor	Format Conversion Factor	Resistance Factor	Time Effect Factor
			C_D	C_M	C_t	C_L^{-1}	C_V^{-1}	C_r	-	-	K_F	ϕ	λ
$F_b' = F_b$	x	C_D	C_M	C_t	C_L^{-1}	C_V^{-1}	C_r	-	-	-	2.54	0.85	λ
$F_t' = F_t$	x	C_D	C_M	C_t	-	C_V	-	-	-	-	2.70	0.80	λ
$F_v' = F_v$	x	C_D	C_M	C_t	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.88	0.75	λ
$F_c' = F_c$	x	C_D	C_M	C_t	-	-	-	C_p	-	-	2.40	0.90	λ
$F_{cL}' = F_{cL}$	x	-	C_M	C_t	-	-	-	-	C_b	-	1.67	0.90	-
$E' = E$	x	-	C_M	C_t	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
$E_{min}' = E_{min}$	x	-	C_M	C_t	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.76	0.85	-

1. See 8.3.6.1 for information on simultaneous application of the volume factor, C_V , and the beam stability factor, C_L , to the reference bending design value, F_b .

8.3.2 Load Duration Factor, C_D (ASD Only)

All reference design values except modulus of elasticity, E , modulus of elasticity for beam and column stability, E_{min} , and compression perpendicular to grain, F_{cL} , shall be multiplied by load duration factors, C_D , as specified in 2.3.2.

8.3.3 Wet Service Factor, C_M

Reference design values for structural composite lumber are applicable to dry service conditions as specified in 8.1.4 where $C_M = 1.0$. When the service conditions differ from the specified conditions, adjustments for high moisture shall be in accordance with information provided by the structural composite lumber manufacturer.

8.3.4 Temperature Factor, C_t

When structural members will experience sustained exposure to elevated temperatures up to 150°F (see Appendix C), reference design values shall be multiplied by the temperature factors, C_t , specified in 2.3.3.

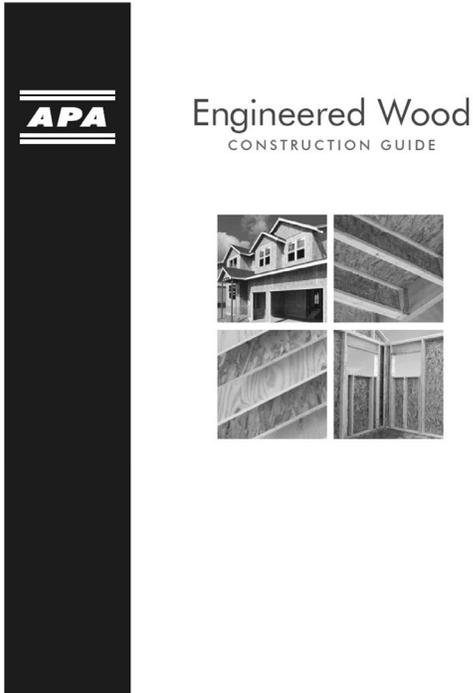
8.3.5 Beam Stability Factor, C_L

Structural composite lumber bending members shall be laterally supported in accordance with 3.3.3.

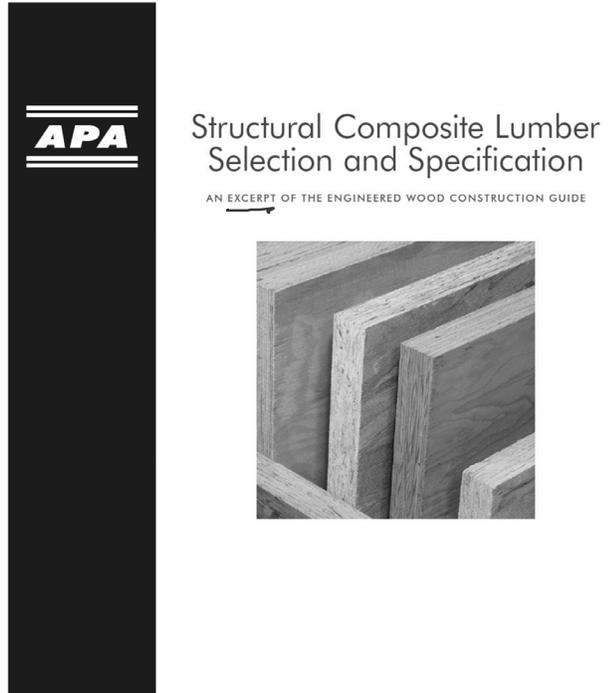
8.3.6 Volume Factor, C_V

8.3.6.1 Reference bending design values, F_b , for structural composite lumber shall be multiplied by the volume factor, C_V , which shall be obtained from the structural composite lumber manufacturer's literature

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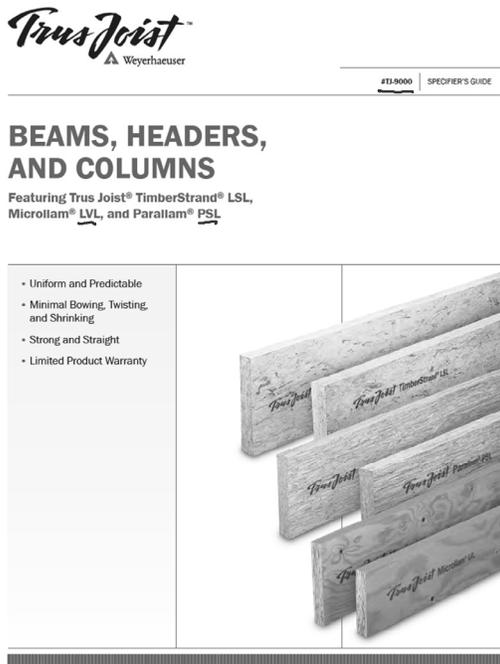
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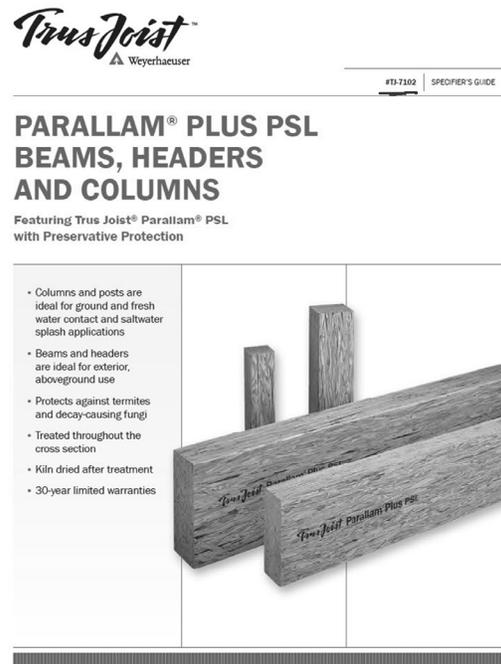
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Structural Composite Lumber

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Structural Composite Lumber (SCL):

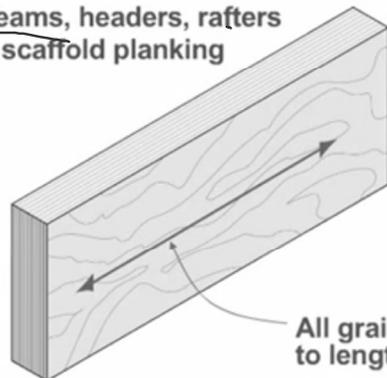
- The wood grain of veneers or strands is primarily oriented in the same direction.
- Out performs when either face- or edge-loaded.
- Sawn to consistent sizes.
- Strength Properties published on a proprietary basis by manufacturers of SCL and recognized in evaluation reports.



Laminated Veneer Lumber - LVL

▪ Laminated Veneer Lumber (LVL)

- Veneers bonded together
- Beams, headers, rafters & scaffold planking



All grain parallel to length



LVL construction



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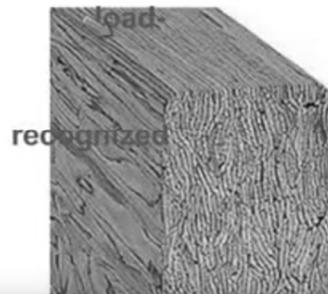
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Parallel Strand Lumber - PSL

Parallel Strand Lumber (PSL):

- Manufactured from veneers clipped into long strands in a parallel formation and bonded together
- Strand length-to-thickness ratio is around 300
- Common uses: headers, beams, bearing columns
- Published on a proprietary basis by the manufacturer and in evaluation reports.



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Parallel Strand Lumber - PSL



Laminated Strand Lumber – LSL Oriented Strand Lumber - OSL

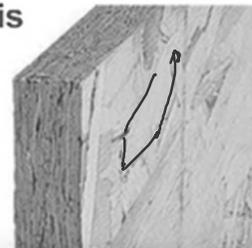
Laminated Strand Lumber (LSL):

- Flaked strand length-to-thickness ratio is around 150
- Common uses: studs



Oriented Strand Lumber (OSL):

- Flaked strand length-to-thickness ratio is around 75
- Common uses: studs



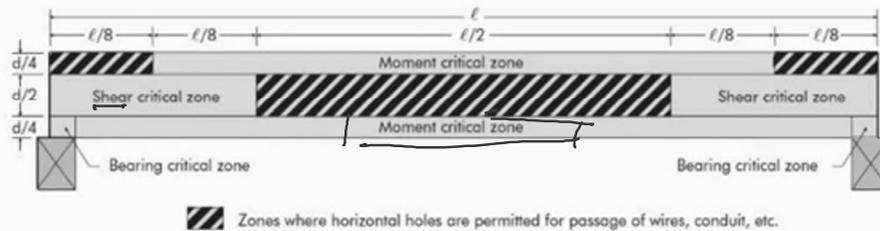
Structural Composite Lumber

Field Notching and Drilling of Glulam (Form S560)

Horizontal Hole Drilling

FIGURE 3

ZONES WHERE SMALL HORIZONTAL HOLES ARE PERMITTED IN A UNIFORMLY LOADED, SIMPLY SUPPORTED BEAM



Weyerhaeuser – Trus Joist LSL – LVL – PSL



This guide features Trus Joist® engineered lumber in the following widths and depths:

TimberStrand® LSL

1.55E TimberStrand® LSL sizes:

Widths: 1¾" and 3½"

Depths: 9½", 11⅞", 14", and 16"

1.3E TimberStrand® LSL header sizes:

Width: 3½"

Depths: 4⅜", 5½", and 7¼"

1.3E TimberStrand® LSL column and post sizes:

3½" x 3½" 3½" x 4⅜" 3½" x 5½" 3½" x 7¼"

Microllam® LVL

2.0E Microllam® LVL header and beam sizes:

Width: 1¾"

Depths: 5½", 7¼", 9¼", 9½", 11¼", 11⅞", 14", 16", 18", and 20"

Parallam® PSL

2.0E Parallam® PSL header and beam sizes:

Widths: 3½", 5¼", and 7"

Depths: 9¼", 9½", 11¼", 11⅞", 14", 16", and 18"

1.8E Parallam® PSL column and post sizes:

3½" x 3½" 3½" x 5¼" 3½" x 7" 5¼" x 5¼" 5¼" x 7" 7" x 7"

For deeper depth Parallam® PSL beams, see the Trus Joist® 2.2E Parallam® PSL Deep Beam guide, TJ-7001, or contact your Weyerhaeuser representative.

DESIGN PROPERTIES

Allowable Design Properties⁽¹⁾ ($C_D = 1.0$) (100% Load Duration)

Grade	Width	Design Property	Depth													
			4 3/4"	5 1/2"	5 1/2" Plank Orientation	7 1/4"	9 1/4"	9 1/2"	11 1/4"	11 3/4"	14"	16"	18"	20"		
TimberStrand® LSL																
1.3E	3 1/2"	Moment (ft-lbs)	1,735	2,685	1,780	4,550										
		Shear (lbs)	4,340	5,455	1,925	7,190										
		Moment of Inertia (in. ⁴)	24	49	20	111										
		Weight (plf)	4.5	5.6	5.6	7.4										
1.55E	1 3/4"	Moment (ft-lbs)						5,210		7,975	10,920	14,090				
		Shear (lbs)						3,435		4,295	5,065	5,785				
		Moment of Inertia (in. ⁴)						125		244	400	597				
		Weight (plf)						5.2		6.5	7.7	8.8				
	3 1/2"	Moment (ft-lbs)						10,420		15,955	21,840	28,180				
		Shear (lbs)						6,870		8,590	10,125	11,575				
		Moment of Inertia (in. ⁴)						250		488	800	1,195				
		Weight (plf)						10.4		13	15.3	17.5				
Microllam® LVL																
2.0E	1 3/4"	Moment (ft-lbs)		2,125		3,555	5,600	5,885	8,070	8,925	12,130	15,555	19,375	23,580		
		Shear (lbs)		1,830		2,410	3,075	3,160	3,740	3,950	4,655	5,320	5,985	6,650		
		Moment of Inertia (in. ⁴)		24		56	115	125	208	244	400	597	851	1,167		
		Weight (plf)		2.8		3.7	4.7	4.8	5.7	6.1	7.1	8.2	9.2	10.2		
Parallam® PSL																
2.0E	3 1/2"	Moment (ft-lbs)					12,415	13,055	17,970	19,900	27,160	34,955	43,665			
		Shear (lbs)					6,260	6,430	7,615	8,035	9,475	10,825	12,180			
		Moment of Inertia (in. ⁴)					231	250	415	488	800	1,195	1,701			
		Weight (plf)					10.1	10.4	12.3	13.0	15.3	17.5	19.7			
	5 1/4"	Moment (ft-lbs)					18,625	19,585	26,955	29,855	40,740	52,430	65,495			
		Shear (lbs)					9,390	9,645	11,420	12,055	14,210	16,240	18,270			
		Moment of Inertia (in. ⁴)					346	375	623	733	1,201	1,792	2,552			
		Weight (plf)					15.2	15.6	18.5	19.5	23.0	26.3	29.5			
	7"	Moment (ft-lbs)					24,830	26,115	35,940	39,805	54,325	69,905	87,325			
		Shear (lbs)					12,520	12,855	15,225	16,070	18,945	21,655	24,360			
		Moment of Inertia (in. ⁴)					462	500	831	977	1,601	2,389	3,402			
		Weight (plf)					20.2	20.8	24.6	26.0	30.6	35.0	39.4			

(1) For product in beam orientation, unless otherwise noted.

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DESIGN PROPERTIES

Design Stresses⁽¹⁾ ($C_D = 1.0$) (100% Load Duration)

Grade	Orientation	G Shear Modulus of Elasticity (psi)	E Modulus of Elasticity (psi)	E _{min} Adjusted Modulus of Elasticity ⁽²⁾ (psi)	F _b Flexural Stress ⁽³⁾ (psi)	F _t Tension Stress ⁽⁴⁾ (psi)	F _{c⊥} Compression Perpendicular to Grain ⁽⁵⁾ (psi)	F _c Compression Parallel to Grain (psi)	F _v Horizontal Shear Parallel to Grain (psi)	SG Equivalent Specific Gravity ⁽⁶⁾
TimberStrand® LSL										
1.3E	Beam/Column	81,250	1.3 x 10 ⁶	660,750	1,700	1,075	710	1,835	425	0.50 ⁽⁷⁾
	Plank	81,250	1.3 x 10 ⁶	660,750	1,900 ⁽⁸⁾	1,075	635 ⁽⁹⁾	1,835	150	0.50 ⁽⁷⁾
1.55E	Beam	96,875	1.55 x 10 ⁶	787,815	2,325	1,070 ⁽¹⁰⁾	900	2,170	310 ⁽¹⁰⁾	0.50 ⁽⁷⁾
Microllam® LVL										
2.0E	Beam	125,000	2.0 x 10 ⁶	1,016,535	2,600	1,555	750	2,510	285	0.50
Parallam® PSL										
1.8E	Column	112,500	1.8 x 10 ⁶	914,880	2,400 ⁽¹¹⁾	1,755	545 ⁽¹¹⁾	2,500	190 ⁽¹¹⁾	0.50
2.0E	Beam	125,000	2.0 x 10 ⁶	1,016,535	2,900	2,025	625 ⁽¹²⁾	2,900 ⁽¹³⁾	290	0.50

- (1) Unless otherwise noted, adjustment to the design stresses for duration of load are permitted in accordance with the applicable code.
- (2) Reference modulus of elasticity for beam and column stability calculations, per NDS®.
- (3) For 12" depth. For other depths, multiply F_b by the appropriate factor as follows:
 - For TimberStrand® LSL, multiply by $\left[\frac{12}{d}\right]^{0.092}$
 - For Microllam® LVL, multiply by $\left[\frac{12}{d}\right]^{0.136}$
 - For Parallam® PSL, multiply by $\left[\frac{12}{d}\right]^{0.111}$
- (4) F_t has been adjusted to reflect the volume effects for most standard applications.
- (5) F_{c⊥} may not be increased for duration of load.
- (6) For lateral connection design only.
- (7) Specific gravity of 0.58 may be used for bolts installed perpendicular to face and loaded perpendicular to grain.
- (8) Values are for thickness up to 3 1/2".
- (9) For members less than 1 3/4" thick and in plank orientation, use F_{c⊥} of 670 psi.
- (10) Value accounts for large hole capabilities. See **Allowable Holes** on page 26.
- (11) Value shown is for plank orientation.
- (12) Use 750 psi for Parallam® PSL identified with plant number 0579.
- (13) For column applications, use F_{c||} of 500 psi. Alternatively, refer to ESR-1387, Table 1, footnote 15.

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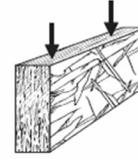
General Assumptions for Trus Joist® Beams

- Lateral support is required at bearing and along the span at 24" on-center, maximum.
- Bearing lengths are based on each product's bearing stress for applicable grade and orientation.
- All members 7¼" and less in depth are restricted to a maximum deflection of 5/16".
- Beams that are 1¾" x 16" and deeper require multiple plies. Some exceptions allowed when using Weyerhaeuser software.
- No camber.
- Beams and columns must remain straight to within 5L/4608 (in.) of true alignment. L is the unrestrained length of the member in feet.

For applications not covered in this brochure, contact your Weyerhaeuser representative.

See pages 28 and 29 for multiple-member beam connections.

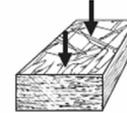
Beam Orientation



Column Orientation



Plank Orientation



TimberStrand® LSL, Microllam® LVL, and untreated Parallam® PSL are intended for dry-use applications

Weyerhaeuser – Trus Joist – LVL – Load Capacity Table

2.0E Microllam® LVL: Roof—Non-Snow Load Area 125% (PLF) $C_p = 1.25$ L_r

Span	Condition	1¾" Width								3½" Width (2 ply)					
		5¼"	7¼"	9¼"	9½"	11¼"	11½"	14"	5½"	7¼"	9¼"	9½"	11¼"	11½"	
6'	Total Load	474	954	1,285	1,329	1,656	1,781	1,961	948	1,908	2,571	2,659	3,313	3,563	
	Deflection L/240	458	*	*	*	*	*	*	916	*	*	*	*	*	
	Min. End/Int. Bearing (in.)	1.5/3.5	2.2/5.5	2.9/7.4	3.1/7.6	3.8/9.5	4.1/10.2	4.5/11.3	1.5/3.5	2.2/5.5	2.9/7.4	3.1/7.6	3.8/9.5	4.1/10.2	
8'	Total Load	153	342	870	915	1,145	1,224	1,469	307	685	1,741	1,830	2,290	2,449	
	Deflection L/240	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	
	Min. End/Int. Bearing (in.)	1.5/3.5	1.5/3.5	2.7/6.7	2.8/7	3.5/8.8	3.8/9.4	4.5/11.3	1.5/3.5	1.5/3.5	2.7/6.7	2.8/7	3.5/8.8	3.8/9.4	
9'-6"	Total Load	77	174	615	647	888	982	1,212	154	349	1,231	1,294	1,776	1,965	
	Deflection L/240	*	*	543	585	*	*	*	*	*	1,086	1,171	*	*	
	Min. End/Int. Bearing (in.)	1.5/3.5	1.5/3.5	2.2/5.6	2.4/5.9	3.2/8.1	3.6/8.9	4.4/11	1.5/3.5	1.5/3.5	2.2/5.6	2.4/5.9	3.2/8.1	3.6/8.9	
10'	Total Load	62	142	555	583	801	886	1,137	124	284	1,110	1,167	1,602	1,772	
	Deflection L/240	*	*	470	506	*	*	*	*	*	940	1,013	*	*	
	Min. End/Int. Bearing (in.)	1.5/3.5	1.5/3.5	2.1/5.3	2.2/5.6	3.1/7.7	3.4/8.5	4.4/10.9	1.5/3.5	1.5/3.5	2.1/5.3	2.2/5.6	3.1/7.7	3.4/8.5	
12'	Total Load	67	367	397	554	613	835	57	135	735	794	1,109	1,227		
	Deflection L/240	*	279	301	488	568	*	*	558	602	976	1,137			
	Min. End/Int. Bearing (in.)	1.5/3.5	1.74/3	1.84/6	2.6/6.4	2.8/7.1	3.9/9.6	1.5/3.5	1.5/3.5	1.74/3	1.84/6	2.6/6.4	2.8/7.1		
14'	Total Load	233	252	405	449	611	70	466	505	811	898				
	Deflection L/240	178	193	314	367	585	*	357	386	629	734				
	Min. End/Int. Bearing (in.)	1.5/3.5	1.5/3.5	2.2/5.5	2.4/6.1	3.3/8.3	1.5/3.5	1.5/3.5	1.5/3.5	2.2/5.5	2.4/6.1				
16'-6"	Total Load	142	154	255	299	438	285	308	510	598					
	Deflection L/240	110	119	195	228	367	220	238	391	457					
	Min. End/Int. Bearing (in.)	1.5/3.5	1.5/3.5	1.6/4.1	1.9/4.8	2.8/7	1.5/3.5	1.5/3.5	1.6/4.1	1.9/4.8					
18'-6"	Total Load	100	108	181	212	345	200	217	362	425					
	Deflection L/240	78	85	140	164	264	157	170	280	328					
	Min. End/Int. Bearing (in.)	1.5/3.5	1.5/3.5	1.5/3.5	1.5/3.9	2.5/6.2	1.5/3.5	1.5/3.5	1.5/3.5	1.5/3.9					
20'	Total Load	78	85	143	168	274	157	171	286	336					
	Deflection L/240	62	67	111	130	211	125	135	223	261					
	Min. End/Int. Bearing (in.)	1.5/3.5	1.5/3.5	1.5/3.5	1.5/3.5	2.1/5.4	1.5/3.5	1.5/3.5	1.5/3.5	1.5/3.5					
22'	Total Load	58	63	106	125	206	116	126	213	251					
	Deflection L/240	47	51	84	98	160	94	102	168	197					
	Min. End/Int. Bearing (in.)	1.5/3.5	1.5/3.5	1.5/3.5	1.5/3.5	1.8/4.5	1.5/3.5	1.5/3.5	1.5/3.5	1.5/3.5					
24'	Total Load			81	95	158	87	95	162	191					
	Deflection L/240			65	76	124	73	79	130	153					
	Min. End/Int. Bearing (in.)			1.5/3.5	1.5/3.5	1.5/3.8	1.5/3.5	1.5/3.5	1.5/3.5	1.5/3.5					
26'	Total Load			62	74	123	67	73	125	148					
	Deflection L/240			51	60	98	57	62	102	120					
	Min. End/Int. Bearing (in.)			1.5/3.5	1.5/3.5	1.5/3.5	1.5/3.5	1.5/3.5	1.5/3.5	1.5/3.5					
28'	Total Load				58	98	52	56	98	117					
	Deflection L/240				48	78	46	50	82	97					
	Min. End/Int. Bearing (in.)				1.5/3.5	1.5/3.5	1.5/3.5	1.5/3.5	1.5/3.5	1.5/3.5					
30'	Total Load					78	78	78	93						
	Deflection L/240					64	67	79							
	Min. End/Int. Bearing (in.)					1.5/3.5	1.5/3.5	1.5/3.5							

* Indicates Total Load value controls.

LVL – PSL – LSL

Selection

1. Calculate total beam load
2. Choose beam span in chart
3. Find section to carry load

or

PROPERTIES

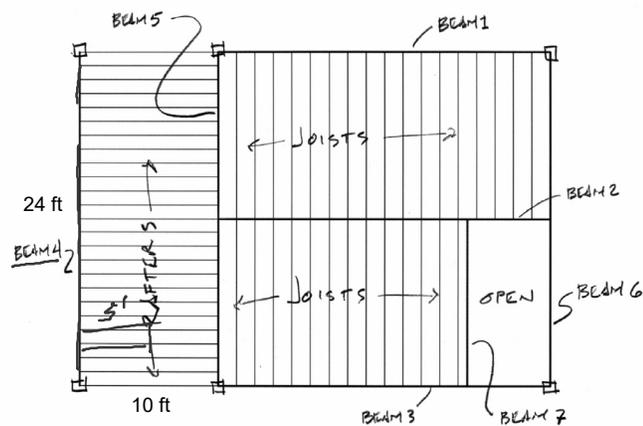
2. Calculate shear and moment
3. Use properties chart to find section
4. Include adjustment factors: C_D , C_V



LVL

Example – Beam 4

Given: span = 24 ft.
D 6 psf Lr 20 psf



1. Calculate total beam load
2. Choose beam span in chart
3. Find section to carry load

LOAD IN PLF

$$D + L_r = 6 + 20 = 26 \text{ PSF}$$

$$26 (5') = \underline{130 \text{ PLF}}$$

LVL

Example
Beam 4

Span = 24 ft
Load = 130 plf
Lr = 100 plf

Pick 1 3/4" x 14"

2.0E Microllam® LVL: Roof—Non-Snow Load Area 125% (PLF)

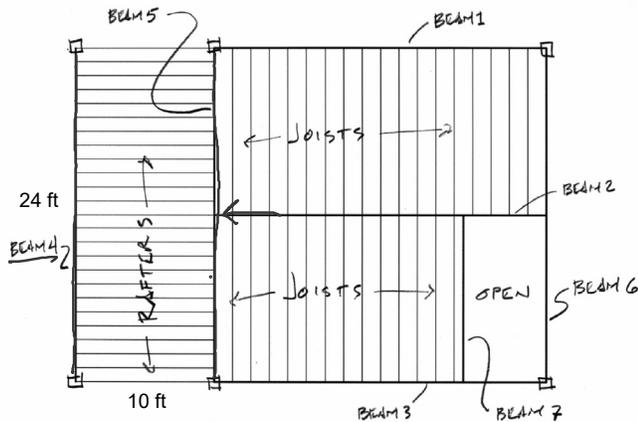
Span	Condition	1 3/4" Width						3 1/2" Width (2 ply)						
		5 1/2"	7 1/4"	9 1/4"	9 1/2"	11 1/4"	11 1/2"	14"	5 1/2"	7 1/4"	9 1/4"	9 1/2"	11 1/4"	11 1/2"
6'	Total Load	474	954	1,285	1,329	1,656	1,781	1,961	948	1,908	2,571	2,659	3,313	3,563
	Deflection L/240	458	*	*	*	*	*	*	916	*	*	*	*	*
8'	Total Load	153	342	870	915	1,145	1,224	1,469	307	685	1,741	1,830	2,290	2,449
	Deflection L/240	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
9'-6"	Total Load	77	174	615	647	888	982	1,212	154	349	1,231	1,294	1,776	1,965
	Deflection L/240	*	*	543	585	*	*	*	*	*	1,086	1,171	*	*
10'	Total Load	62	142	555	583	801	886	1,137	124	284	1,110	1,167	1,602	1,772
	Deflection L/240	*	*	470	506	*	*	*	*	*	940	1,013	*	*
12'	Total Load	67	367	397	554	613	835	57	135	735	794	1,109	1,227	
	Deflection L/240	*	279	301	488	568	*	*	*	558	602	976	1,137	
14'	Total Load	233	252	405	449	611	611	70	466	505	811	898	898	
	Deflection L/240	178	193	314	367	585	*	*	357	386	629	734	734	
16'-6"	Total Load	142	154	255	299	438	438	285	308	510	598	598	598	
	Deflection L/240	110	119	195	228	367	367	220	238	391	457	457	457	
18'-6"	Total Load	78	85	140	164	264	264	157	170	280	328	328	328	
	Deflection L/240	78	85	140	164	264	264	157	170	280	328	328	328	
20'	Total Load	78	85	143	168	274	274	157	171	286	336	336	336	
	Deflection L/240	62	67	111	130	211	211	125	135	223	261	261	261	
22'	Total Load	58	63	106	125	206	206	116	126	213	251	251	251	
	Deflection L/240	47	51	84	98	160	160	94	102	168	197	197	197	
24'	Total Load	81	85	143	168	274	274	157	171	286	336	336	336	
	Deflection L/240	65	76	123	123	213	213	125	135	223	261	261	261	
26'	Total Load	62	74	123	123	213	213	125	135	223	261	261	261	
	Deflection L/240	51	60	98	98	168	168	102	110	188	217	217	217	
28'	Total Load	48	78	123	123	213	213	125	135	223	261	261	261	
	Deflection L/240	48	78	123	123	213	213	125	135	223	261	261	261	
30'	Total Load	78	78	123	123	213	213	125	135	223	261	261	261	
	Deflection L/240	64	64	106	106	181	181	116	126	213	251	251	251	

* Indicates Total Load value controls.

LVL – PSL – LSL

Example – Beam 4

Given: span = 24 ft.
D 6 psf Lr 20 psf
130 plf



1. Calculate total beam load
2. Calculate shear and moment
3. Use properties chart to find section
4. Check stresses
5. Check deflection

$$M_{max} = \frac{wL^2}{8} = \frac{130(24)^2}{8} = 9360 \text{ ft} \cdot \text{lb}$$

$$V_{max} = \frac{wL}{2} = \frac{130(24)}{2} = 1560 \text{ lb}$$

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DESIGN PROPERTIES

$C_D = 1.0$

Allowable Design Properties⁽¹⁾ (100% Load Duration)

Grade	Width	Design Property	Depth												
			4 1/4"	5 1/2"	5 1/2" Plank Orientation	7 1/4"	9 1/4"	9 1/2"	11 1/4" \Rightarrow	11 1/4"	14"	16"	18"	20"	
TimberStrand® LSL															
1.3E	3 1/2"	Moment (ft-lbs)	1,735	2,685	1,780	4,550									
		Shear (lbs)	4,340	5,455	1,925	7,190									
		Moment of Inertia (in. ⁴)	24	49	20	111									
		Weight (plf)	4.5	5.6	5.6	7.4									
1.55E	1 3/4"	Moment (ft-lbs)						5,210		7,975	10,920	14,090			
		Shear (lbs)						3,435		4,295	5,065	5,785			
		Moment of Inertia (in. ⁴)						125		244	400	597			
		Weight (plf)						5.2		6.5	7.7	8.8			
	3 1/2"	Moment (ft-lbs)						10,420		15,955	21,840	28,180			
		Shear (lbs)						6,870		8,590	10,125	11,575			
		Moment of Inertia (in. ⁴)						250		488	800	1,195			
		Weight (plf)						10.4		13	15.3	17.5			
Microllam® LVL															
2.0E	1 3/4"	Moment (ft-lbs)		2,125		3,355	5,000	5,885	8,070	8,925	12,130	15,555	19,375	23,580	
		Shear (lbs)		1,830		2,410	3,075	3,160	3,740	3,950	4,655	5,320	5,985	6,650	
		Moment of Inertia (in. ⁴)		24		56	115	125	208	244	400	597	851	1,167	
		Weight (plf)		2.8		3.7	4.7	4.8	5.7	6.1	7.1	8.2	9.2	10.2	
Parallam® PSL															
2.0E	3 1/2"	Moment (ft-lbs)				12,415	13,055	17,970	19,900	27,160	34,955	43,665			
		Shear (lbs)				6,260	6,430	7,615	8,035	9,475	10,825	12,180			
		Moment of Inertia (in. ⁴)				231	250	415	488	800	1,195	1,701			
		Weight (plf)				10.1	10.4	12.3	13.0	15.3	17.5	19.7			
	5 1/4"	Moment (ft-lbs)				18,625	19,585	26,955	29,855	40,740	52,430	65,495			
		Shear (lbs)				9,390	9,645	11,420	12,055	14,210	16,240	18,270			
		Moment of Inertia (in. ⁴)				346	375	623	733	1,201	1,792	2,552			
		Weight (plf)				15.2	15.6	18.5	19.5	23.0	26.3	29.5			
	7"	Moment (ft-lbs)				24,830	26,115	35,940	39,805	54,325	69,905	87,325			
		Shear (lbs)				12,520	12,855	15,225	16,070	18,945	21,655	24,360			
		Moment of Inertia (in. ⁴)				462	500	831	977	1,601	2,389	3,402			
		Weight (plf)				20.2	20.8	24.6	26.0	30.6	35.0	39.4			

(1) For product in beam orientation, unless otherwise noted.

Moment:
9360 ft-lb

$CD = 1.25$

$$M = \frac{9360}{1.25} = 7488$$

Shear:
1560 lbs

$$V = \frac{1560}{1.25} = 1248$$

LVL

Example – Beam 4

Given: span = 24 ft.
D 6 psf Lr 20 psf
130 plf (total load)
M = 9360 ft-lbs
V = 1560 lbs

$$M_{max} = \frac{wl^2}{8} = \frac{130(24)^2}{8} = 9360 \text{ ft-lb}$$

$$V_{max} = \frac{wl}{2} = \frac{130(24)}{2} = 1560 \text{ lbs}$$

3. Use properties chart to find section

TRY LVL 2.0E 1 3/4" x 11 1/4"

$$S_x = \frac{bd^2}{6} = \frac{1.75(11.25)^2}{6} = 36.91 \text{ in}^3$$

$$f_b = \frac{M}{S_x} = \frac{9360(12)}{36.91} = 3042 \text{ psi (ACTUAL)}$$

$$A = 1.75(11.25) = 19.68 \text{ in}^2$$

$$f_v = \frac{3}{2} \frac{V}{A} = 1.5 \frac{1560}{19.68} = 118.8 \text{ psi}$$

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DESIGN PROPERTIES

Design Stresses⁽¹⁾ (100% Load Duration)

Grade	Orientation	G Shear Modulus of Elasticity (psi)	E Modulus of Elasticity (psi)	E _{min} Adjusted Modulus of Elasticity ⁽²⁾ (psi)	F _b Flexural Stress ⁽³⁾ (psi)	F _t Tension Stress ⁽⁴⁾ (psi)	F _{cL} Compression Perpendicular to Grain ⁽⁵⁾ (psi)	F _{cH} Compression Parallel to Grain (psi)	E _x Horizontal Shear Parallel to Grain (psi)	SG Equivalent Specific Gravity ⁽⁶⁾
TimberStrand® LSL										
1.3E	Beam/Column	81,250	1.3 x 10 ⁶	660,750	1,700	1,075	710	1,835	425	0.50 ⁽⁷⁾
	Plank	81,250	1.3 x 10 ⁶	660,750	1,900 ⁽⁸⁾	1,075	635 ⁽⁹⁾	1,835	150	0.50 ⁽⁷⁾
1.55E	Beam	96,875	1.55 x 10 ⁶	787,815	2,325	1,070 ⁽¹⁰⁾	900	2,170	310 ⁽¹⁰⁾	0.50 ⁽⁷⁾
Microllam® LVL										
2.0E	Beam	125,000	2.0 x 10 ⁶	1,016,535	2,600	1,555	750	2,510	285	0.50
Parallam® PSL										
1.8E	Column	112,500	1.8 x 10 ⁶	914,880	2,400 ⁽¹¹⁾	1,755	545 ⁽¹¹⁾	2,500	190 ⁽¹¹⁾	0.50
2.0E	Beam	125,000	2.0 x 10 ⁶	1,016,535	2,900	2,025	625 ⁽¹²⁾	2,900 ⁽¹³⁾	290	0.50

- (1) Unless otherwise noted, adjustment to the design stresses for duration of load are permitted in accordance with the applicable code.
 (2) Reference modulus of elasticity for beam and column stability calculations, per NDS®.
 (3) For 12" depth. For other depths, multiply F_b by the appropriate factor as follows:
 - For TimberStrand® LSL, multiply by $\left(\frac{12}{d}\right)^{0.052}$
 - For Microllam® LVL, multiply by $\left(\frac{12}{d}\right)^{0.136}$ *C_F*
 - For Parallam® PSL, multiply by $\left(\frac{12}{d}\right)^{0.111}$
 (4) F_t has been adjusted to reflect the volume effects for most standard applications.
 (5) F_{cL} may not be increased for duration of load.
 (6) For lateral connection design only.
 (7) Specific gravity of 0.58 may be used for bolts installed perpendicular to face and loaded perpendicular to grain.
 (8) Values are for thickness up to 3½".
 (9) For members less than 1¾" thick and in plank orientation, use F_{cL} of 670 psi.
 (10) Value accounts for large hole capabilities. See **Allowable Holes** on page 26.
 (11) Value shown is for plank orientation.
 (12) Use 750 psi for Parallam® PSL identified with plant number 0579.
 (13) For column applications, use F_{cH} of 500 psi. Alternatively, refer to ESR-1387, Table 1, footnote 15.

multiply tabulated values by adjustment factors

$$C_D \cdot C_M \cdot C_F \cdot C_L \text{ (or } C_V) \cdot C_T$$

BRACED

LVL

Example – Beam 4

Given: span = 24 ft.
 D 6 psf Lr 20 psf
 130 plf

Try:

1 ¾" x 11.25"

F_b ADJUSTMENT

$$C_D = 1.25$$

$$C_V = \left(\frac{12}{d}\right)^{0.136} = \left(\frac{12}{14}\right)^{0.136} = 0.979$$

C_L (PER NDS 3.3.3)

BRACED BY RAFTERS ∴ C_L = 1.0

$$C_M, C_t, C_r = 1.0$$

4. Check stresses

LVL 2.0E 1 ¾" x 11 ¼"

$$F_b = 2600 \text{ psi}$$

$$F_v = 285 \text{ psi}$$

$$F'_b = 2600 \cdot C_D \cdot C_V = 2600 \cdot (1.25) \cdot (0.979) = 3182 \text{ psi}$$

$$F'_b = 3182 > 3042 = f_b \text{ OK ✓}$$

$$F'_v = 285 \cdot C_D = 285 \cdot (1.25) = 356 \text{ psi}$$

$$F'_v = 356 > 118 = f_v \text{ OK ✓}$$

LVL

Given: span = 24 ft.
Lr 20 psf
100 plf

5. Check deflection
for Lr < L/240

IBC Table 1604.3 DEFLECTION LIMITS^{a, b, c, h, i}

CONSTRUCTION	L or L _r	S or W ^f	D + L ^{g, h}
Roof members: ^a			
Supporting plaster or stucco ceiling	l/360	l/360	l/240
Supporting nonplaster ceiling	l/240	l/240	l/180
Not supporting ceiling	l/180	l/180	l/120
Floor members	l/360	—	l/240
Exterior walls:			
With plaster or stucco finishes	—	l/360	—
With other brittle finishes	—	l/240	—
With flexible finishes	—	l/120	—
Interior partitions: ^b			
With plaster or stucco finishes	l/360	—	—
With other brittle finishes	l/240	—	—
With flexible finishes	l/120	—	—
Farm buildings	—	—	l/180
Greenhouses	—	—	l/120

1.75" x 11.25"

$$I = \frac{bd^3}{12} = \frac{208}{12} = 208 \text{ in}^4$$

$$\Delta = \frac{5wl^4}{384EI} = \frac{5(100)(24)^4(1728)}{384(2.0 \times 10^6)(208)} = 1.8" [1.5"] \text{ FAIL}$$

$$\frac{L}{240} = \frac{24(12)}{240} = 1.2" < 1.8" \therefore \text{FAILS}$$

1.75" x 14"

$$I = \frac{bd^3}{12} = \frac{1.75(14)^3}{12} = 400 \text{ in}^4$$

$$\Delta = \frac{5wl^4}{384EI} = \frac{5(100)(24)^4(1728)}{384(2000000)(400)} = 0.93 \text{ in}$$

$$\frac{L}{240} = \frac{24(12)}{240} = 1.20 > 0.93 \text{ in OK}$$

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DESIGN PROPERTIES

Allowable Design Properties⁽¹⁾ (100% Load Duration)

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Microllam® LVL															
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		Shear (lbs)		1,830		2,410	3,075	3,160	3,740	3,950	4,655	5,320	5,985	6,650	
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