PART 1 - GENERAL

1.1 RELATED DOCUMENTS

A. Drawings and general provisions of the Contract, including General and Supplementary Conditions and Division 1 Specification Sections, apply to this Section.

1.2 SUMMARY

A. Section includes torsion-spring acoustical metal pans and the following suspension system for ceilings:
   1. Direct hung, exposed tee grid.

B. Related Sections:
   1. Division 9 Section “Acoustical Panel Ceilings” for ceilings consisting of mineral-base and glass-fiber-base acoustical panels and exposed suspension systems.
   2. Divisions 13, 15, and 16 Sections for light fixtures, sprinklers, and air-distribution components.

1.3 DEFINITIONS

A. CAC: Ceiling Attenuation Class.

B. LR: Light Reflectance coefficient.

C. NRC: Noise Reduction Coefficient.

1.4 PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS

A. Thermal Movements: Allow for thermal movements from ambient and surface temperature changes. Base calculations on surface temperatures of materials due to both solar heat gain and nighttime-sky heat loss.
   1. Temperature Change (Range): 95°F to 40°F.

1.5 SUBMITTALS

A. Product Data: For each type of product indicated.

B. Samples for Verification: For each component indicated and for each exposed finish required, prepared on Samples of size indicated below:
   1. Metal Pans: Set of 12 inch square samples of each type, finish, color, pattern, and texture. Samples to be pan corners showing pan edge profiles in two directions.
   2. Exposed Suspension System Members, Moldings and Trim: Set of 12-inch- (300-mm-) long Samples of each type, finish, and color.
   3. Sound Absorber: Match size of Sample metal pan.
C. **Performance Data:** For installed products indicated to comply with design loads and other criteria, include structural analysis and other analytical data signed and sealed by the qualified professional engineer responsible for their preparation.

D. **Coordination Drawings:** Reflected ceiling plans, drawn to scale, on which the following items are shown and coordinated with each other, using input from Installers of the items involved:
   1. Ceiling suspension members.
   2. Method of attaching hangers to building structure.
   3. Ceiling-mounted items including lighting fixtures, diffusers, grilles, speakers, sprinklers, access panels, and special moldings.
   4. Ceiling perimeter and penetrations through the ceiling; and trim and moldings.
   5. Minimum Drawing Scale: 1/16 = 1 foot.

E. **Qualification Data:** For testing agency.

F. **Product Test Reports:** Based on evaluation of comprehensive tests performed by a qualified testing agency, for each acoustical metal pan ceiling.

G. **Evaluation Reports:** For each acoustical metal pan ceiling and components and anchor and fastener type.

H. Field quality-control reports.

I. Maintenance Data: For finishes to include in maintenance manuals.

### 1.6 QUALITY ASSURANCE

A. **Acoustical Testing Agency Qualifications:** An independent testing laboratory or an NVLAP-accredited laboratory, with the experience and capability to conduct the testing indicated. NVLAP-accredited laboratories must document accreditation, based on a "Certificate of Accreditation" and a "Scope of Accreditation" listing the test methods specified.

B. **Source Limitations for Acoustical Metal Pan Ceilings:** Obtain each combination of acoustical metal pans and exposed suspension systems from one source with resources to provide products of consistent quality in appearance, physical properties, and performance.

C. **Surface-Burning Characteristics:** Complying with ASTM E 1264 for flame spread 25 + smoke developed 50 materials as determined by testing identical products according to ASTM E 84 by UL or another testing and inspecting agency acceptable to authorities having jurisdiction for sound absorption.

D. **Seismic Standard:** Provide acoustical metal pan ceilings designed and installed to withstand the effects of earthquake motions according to the following:

E. **Mockups:** Build mockups to verify selections made under sample submittals and to demonstrate aesthetic effects and set quality standards for materials and execution.

F. **Preinstallation Conference:** Conduct conference at Project site.
1.7 DELIVERY, STORAGE, AND HANDLING

A. Deliver acoustical metal pans, suspension system components, and accessories to Project site in original, unopened packages and store them in a fully enclosed, conditioned space where they will be protected against damage from moisture, humidity, temperature extremes, direct sunlight, surface contamination, and other causes.

B. Handle acoustical metal pans, suspension system components, and accessories carefully to avoid damaging units and finishes in any way.

1.8 PROJECT CONDITIONS

A. Environmental Limitations: Do not install acoustical metal pan ceilings until spaces are enclosed and weathertight, wet work in spaces is complete and dry, work above ceilings is complete, and ambient temperature and humidity conditions are maintained at the levels indicated for Project when occupied for its intended use and as per manufacturers’ recommendations.

1.9 COORDINATION

A. Coordinate layout and installation of acoustical metal pans and suspension system with other construction that penetrates ceilings or is supported by them, including light fixtures, HVAC equipment, fire-suppression system, and partition assemblies.

1.10 EXTRA MATERIALS

A. Furnish extra materials that match products installed and that are packaged with protective covering for storage and identified with labels describing contents.

1. Acoustical Metal Pans: Full-size units equal to 2 percent of quantity installed.

2. Suspension System Components: Quantity of each grid and exposed molding and trim equal to 2 percent of quantity installed.

3. Hold-Down Clips: Equal to 2 percent of quantity installed.

PART 2 - PRODUCTS

2.1 ACOUSTICAL METAL CEILING PANS

A. Acoustical Metal Pan Standard: Provide manufacturer’s standard acoustical metal pans of configuration indicated that comply with ASTM E 1264 classifications as designated by types, acoustical ratings, and light reflectances unless otherwise indicated.

B. Sheet Metal Characteristics: For metal components exposed to view in the completed Work, provide materials with smooth, flat surfaces without blemishes. Do not use materials with exposed pitting, seam marks, roller marks, roughness, stains, or discolorations.

1. Aluminum Sheet: Roll-formed aluminum sheet, complying with ASTM B 209 (ASTM B 209M); alloy and temper recommended by aluminum producer and finisher for type of use and finish indicated.

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C. Sound-Absorbent Fabric Layer: Provide fabric layer, sized to fit concealed surface of pan, and consisting of black, nonwoven, nonflammable, sound-absorbent material with surface-burning characteristics for flame-spread index of 25 or less and smoke-developed index of 50 or less, as determined by testing per ASTM E 84.
   1. Bond fabric layer to panels in the factory with manufacturer's standard nonflammable adhesive.

D. Sound-Absorbent Pads: Provide width and length to completely fill concealed surface of pan, with surface-burning characteristics for flame-spread index of 25 or less and smoke-developed index of 50 or less, as determined by testing per ASTM E 84, and to comply with the following requirements:
   1. Spacer Grids: Provide manufacturer's standard aluminum grid units that provide an air cushion between metal pans and insulation pads and that act to improve sound absorption.

2.2 ALUMINUM PANS FOR ACOUSTICAL METAL PAN CEILING

A. Aluminum Metal Pans:
   1. Products: Subject to compliance with requirements, provide one of the following:
      a. Simplex Ceilings, a division of Intalite Inc.
      b. Chicago Metallic
      c. Spitz Industries:

B. Classification: Units complying with ASTM E 1264 for Type XX, other types described as perforated aluminum facing (pan) units with sound-absorbent fabric backing.
   1. Pattern: 1 to 7 (70%).

C. Pan Fabrication: Manufacturer's standard units of size, profile, and edge treatment indicated, formed from metal indicated and finished to comply with requirements indicated.
   1. Torsion-Spring-Hinged Pans: Designed to be securely retained in preslotted exposed suspension grid by torsion springs.

D. Pan Thickness: Not less than 0.040 inch (1.0 mm).

E. Pan Edge Detail: Manufacturer's standard edge detail.

F. Pan Size: As indicated

G. Pan Face Finish: Pre-painted silver lum.

H. LR: Not less than 0.70.

I. NRC: Not less than 0.70.

J. CAC: Not less than 40.

2.3 METAL SUSPENSION SYSTEMS

A. Suspension Systems: Provide systems complete with carriers, runners, splice sections, connector clips, alignment clips, leveling clips, hangers, molding, trim,
retention clips, load-resisting struts, and other suspension components required to support ceiling units and other ceiling-supported construction.

B. Attachment Devices: Size for five times the design load indicated in ASTM C 635, Table 1, "Direct Hung," unless otherwise indicated. Comply with seismic design requirements.

C. Wire Hangers, Braces, and Ties: Provide wires complying with the following requirements:
   2. Size: Select wire diameter so its stress at 3 times the hanger design load indicated in ASTM C 635, Table 1, Direct Hung will be less than yield stress of wire, but provide not less than 0.135-inch- (3.5-mm-) diameter wire.

D. Hanger Rods: Mild steel, zinc coated or protected with rust-inhibitive paint.

E. Angle Hangers: Angles with legs not less than 7/8 inch (22 mm) wide; formed with 0.04-inch- (1.0-mm-) thick, galvanized-steel sheet complying with ASTM A 653/A 653M, G90 (Z275) coating designation; with bolted connections and 5/16-inch- (8-mm-) diameter bolts.

F. Hold-Down Clips: Manufacturer's standard hold-down clips spaced to secure acoustical metal pans in place at each pan.

G. Exposed Metal Edge Moldings and Trim: Provide exposed members as indicated or as required to comply with seismic requirements of authorities having jurisdiction, to conceal edges of and penetrations through ceiling, to conceal edges of pans and runners, for fixture trim and adapters, for fasciae at changes in ceiling height, and for other conditions; of metal and finish matching acoustical metal pan ceiling units, unless otherwise indicated.
   1. For Circular Penetrations of Ceiling: Fabricate edge moldings to diameter required to fit penetration exactly.

2.4 ACOUSTICAL SEALANT

A. Acoustical Sealant for Exposed and Concealed Joints: Manufacturer's standard nonsag, paintable, nonstaining latex sealant complying with ASTM C 834 and effective in reducing airborne sound transmission through perimeter joints and openings in building construction as demonstrated by testing representative assemblies according to ASTM E 90.
   1. Products: Subject to compliance with requirements, available products that may be incorporated into the Work include, but are not limited to, the following:
      a. Pecora Corporation; AC-20 FTR Acoustical and Insulation Sealant.
      b. USG Corporation; SHEETROCK Acoustical Sealant.
      c. <Insert manufacturer's name; product name or designation>.

B. Acoustical Sealant for Concealed Joints: Manufacturer's standard nondrying, nonhardening, nonskinning, nonstaining, gunnable, synthetic-rubber sealant recommended for sealing interior concealed joints to reduce airborne sound transmission.

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1. Products: Subject to compliance with requirements, available products that may be incorporated into the Work include, but are not limited to, the following:
   a. OSI Sealants, Inc.; Pro-Series SC-175 Rubber Base Sound Sealant.
   b. Pecora Corporation; BA-98.

2.5 GENERAL FINISH REQUIREMENTS
A. Comply with NAAMM’s "Metal Finishes Manual for Architectural and Metal Products" for recommendations for applying and designating finishes.
B. Protect mechanical finishes on exposed surfaces from damage by applying a strippable, temporary protective covering before shipping.
C. Appearance of Finished Work: Noticeable variations in same piece are not acceptable. Variations in appearance of adjoining components are acceptable if they are within the range of approved Samples and are assembled or installed to minimize contrast.

2.6 ALUMINUM FINISHES
A. Color-Coated Finish: Manufacturer’s standard enamel baked paint complying with coating manufacturer’s written instructions for surface preparation, pretreatment, application, baking, and minimum dry film thickness.

PART 3 - EXECUTION
3.1 EXAMINATION
A. Examine substrates, areas, and conditions, including structural framing to which acoustical metal pan ceilings attach or abut, with Installer present, for compliance with requirements specified in this and other Sections that affect ceiling installation and anchorage and with requirements for installation tolerances and other conditions affecting performance of acoustical metal pan ceilings.
B. Proceed with installation only after unsatisfactory conditions have been corrected.

3.2 PREPARATION
A. Measure each ceiling area and establish layout of acoustical metal pans to balance border widths at opposite edges of each ceiling. Avoid using less-than-half-width pans at borders, and comply with layout shown on reflected ceiling plans and Coordination Drawings.

3.3 INSTALLATION
A. Install acoustical metal pan ceilings to comply with ASTM C 636 and seismic requirements indicated, per manufacturer’s written instructions and CISCA’s "Ceiling Systems Handbook."
B. Suspend ceiling hangers from building's structural members and as follows:
   1. Install hangers plumb and free from contact with insulation or other objects within ceiling plenum that are not part of supporting structure or of ceiling suspension system.
   2. Splay hangers only where required to miss obstructions; offset resulting horizontal forces by bracing, countersplaying, or other equally effective means.
   3. Where width of ducts and other construction within ceiling plenum produces hanger spacings that interfere with location of hangers at spacings required to support standard suspension system members, install supplemental suspension members and hangers in form of trapezes or equivalent devices.
   4. Secure wire hangers to ceiling suspension members and to supports above with a minimum of three tight turns. Connect hangers directly either to structures or to inserts, eye screws, or other devices that are secure and appropriate for substrate and that will not deteriorate or otherwise fail due to age, corrosion, or elevated temperatures.
   5. Secure flat, angle, channel, and rod hangers to structure, including intermediate framing members, by attaching to inserts, eye screws, or other devices that are secure and appropriate for both structure to which hangers are attached and type of hanger involved.
   6. Do not support ceilings directly from permanent metal forms or floor deck. Fasten hangers to cast-in-place hanger inserts, postinstalled mechanical or adhesive anchors, or power-actuated fasteners that extend through forms into concrete.
   7. When steel framing does not permit installation of hanger wires at spacing required, install carrying channels or other supplemental support for attachment of hanger wires.
   8. Do not attach hangers to steel deck tabs.
   9. Do not attach hangers to steel roof deck. Attach hangers to structural members.
  10. Space hangers not more than 48 inches (1200 mm) o.c. along each member supported directly from hangers unless otherwise indicated; provide hangers not more than 8 inches (200 mm) from ends of each member.
  11. Size supplemental suspension members and hangers to support ceiling loads within performance limits established by referenced standards and publications.

C. Install edge moldings and trim of type indicated at perimeter of acoustical ceiling area and where necessary to conceal edges of acoustical metal pans.
   1. Do not use exposed fasteners, including pop rivets, on moldings and trim.

D. Install suspension system runners so they are square and securely interlocked with one another. Remove and replace dented, bent, or kinked members.

E. Cut acoustical metal pan units for accurate fit at borders and at interruptions and penetrations by other work through ceilings. Stiffen edges of cut units as required to eliminate evidence of buckling or variations in flatness exceeding referenced standards for stretcher-leveled metal sheet.

F. Install acoustical metal pans in coordination with suspension system and exposed moldings and trim.
1. For torsion-spring-hinged pans, position pans according to manufacturer's written instructions.
2. For snap-in pans, fit adjoining units to form flush, tight joints.
3. Align joints in adjacent courses to form uniform, straight joints parallel to room axis in both directions unless otherwise indicated.
4. Fit adjoining units to form flush, tight joints.
5. Install directionally patterned or textured metal pans in directions indicated.
6. Install sound-absorbent fabric layers in perforated metal pans.
7. Install sound-absorbent pads in perforated metal pans over metal spacer grids.

G. Install sound attenuation panels in areas indicated by reflected ceiling plans or room finish schedules. Lay panels directly on ceiling system and close major openings to form complete coverage in required areas.

H. Install hold-down clips where indicated.

3.4 FIELD QUALITY CONTROL

3.5 CLEANING

A. Clean exposed surfaces of acoustical metal pan ceilings, including trim and edge moldings after removing strippable, temporary protective covering, if any. Comply with manufacturer's written instructions for stripping of temporary protective covering, cleaning, and touchup of minor finish damage. Remove and replace ceiling components that cannot be successfully cleaned and repaired to permanently eliminate evidence of damage, including dented and bent units.

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