

Specifying Akuplank

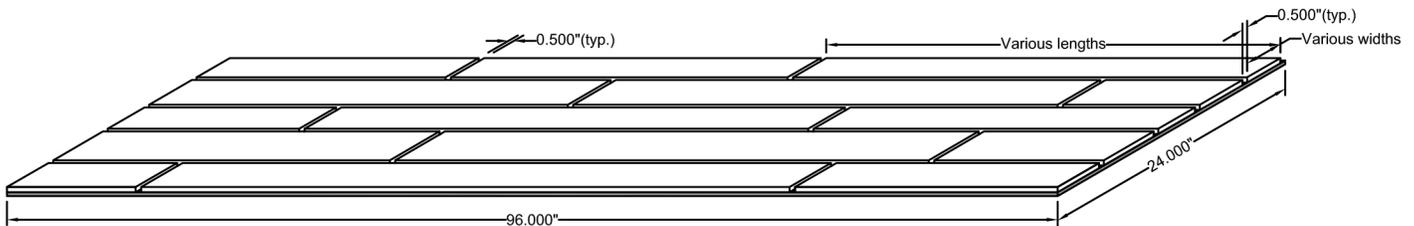
Division 6 (6400 Architectural Millwork)

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General Description:

The Akuplank product offers the customer the beauty of natural wood veneer with the added benefit of superior sound absorption and lowering noise reverberation time. The panel obtains a Noise Reduction Coefficient of 0.50 at a frequency of 1,000 Hz.

Akuplank is composed of Black PET Polyester Fiber, Black thru colored MDF and real wood veneer. Nominal panel sizes are (24" x 96" x 13/16"). Each strip is 11mm thick and various width planks. They are attached to 9mm thick black-dyed PET Polyester Fiber material by staples from the backside.



Fire Rating:

Akuplank has a Flame Spread of 65 and a Smoke Index of 522 thus rating it as Class B

Color Consistency of Natural Wood Veneers:

Common characteristics of natural wood veneers are variations in color, grain, texture and figure. "End to end" alignment and matching of the veneer cannot be guaranteed from panel to panel. The incorporation of framework, reveals, etc. should be considered to achieve the desired effect.

Akuplank Installation:

Akuplank can be installed on walls and ceilings. For direct application, furring strips installed directly to the wall or ceiling on 600mm centers perpendicular to the Akuplank are recommended. Akuplank can then be attached to the furring strips by using screws between the strips through the PET fiber backing into the studs. A minimum of 15 screws per panel is recommended. Using a black-anodized screw will achieve the best appearance. In addition to the screws a small bead of construction adhesive applied to the furring strips may also be used if desired.

Along with using furring strips, ceiling installations may also be achieved by cutting the Akuplank to fit into a suspended ceiling grid system similar to what is used for typical drop ceilings. Akuplank may also be suspended from the ceiling in full panel lengths as well. This is best achieved by using threaded eyebolts for attachment and aircraft cable for suspension at preferred height.

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