

**SECTION 13 34 16.01  
HOME SIDE GRANDSTAND SEATING**

**PART 1 GENERAL**

**1.1 RELATED DOCUMENTS**

- A. The provisions of the General Conditions, Supplementary Conditions, and the Sections included under Division 1, General Requirements, are included as a part of this Section.

**1.2 SUMMARY**

- A. Provide engineering, material, freight, installation, and supervision to provide a new permanent grandstand structure in accordance with the following specifications.
- B. Related Work Specified Elsewhere
1. Section 03 30 00 – Concrete
  2. Section 05 12 00 – Structural Steel
  3. Section 13 34 16.03 - Press Box

**1.3 SYSTEM DESCRIPTION**

- A. The grandstand structure shall be steel with aluminum treads, risers and bench seats meeting the minimum following criteria and these specifications:
1. FBC Accessibility
  2. Design for 3,000 seats as outlined in the Educational Specifications.
  3. Approximately 29 Rows by 198'-4" long, with horizontal egress aisle and wheel chair seating platform at the upper level
  4. Steel column and beam structure, column spacing as shown on the documents
  5. Fully closed interlocking deck system with gutters or welded decking
  6. 8:24 Rise: run on lower seating and 12:24 rise: run on upper seating
  7. 42" Elevated x 72" minimum wide front walkway; provide for clearance around accessible wheelchair spaces
  8. Enclosed intermediate aisle steps with center aisle rails
  9. (4) Wheelchair ramps - (2) straight ramps in the front and (1) "U" shaped or straight run on each end
  10. Minimum (3) 11'-0" vomitories with stairs and rails exiting to the rear from the intermediate cross-aisle – number of vomitories shall be dictated by required number of exits.
    - a. Contractor may install ramps, meeting the FBC accessibility code, instead of stairs.
    - b. Provide one handrail on each side and one in center of stairs.
  11. Galvanized structural steel (all components).
  12. (33) Minimum wheelchair spaces with companion seats – recommend (8) at upper level, (25) at front cross-aisle; comply with FBC for required number of accessible spaces.
    - a. All upper level wheelchair spaces shall be on the elevator side of the press box, or have access without having to go through the press box.
    - b. This seating area shall also have access to the stair system of the rest of the bleacher system.
  13. 8' x 30' Type II press box as outlined in Section 13 34 16.02.
  14. Provide observation platform near the press box on the opposite side of the passageway from the elevator to the press box; used for camera crews.
    - a. Approximate size is 6' x 8'.
  15. Powder coated aluminum risers, color by the architect.
  16. Bench seats in upper level to be riser mounted with steel "L" brackets in alignment with the intermediate step.

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17. Provide a continuous guard safety and handrail system.

1.4 REFERENCES

- A. AAMA 603.8 - Voluntary Performance Requirements and Test Procedures of Pigmented Organic Coatings on Extruded Aluminum
- B. ACI 318 – Building Code Requirements for Structural Concrete
- C. ASCE 7 – Minimum Design Loads for Buildings and Other Structures
- D. ASTM A36/A36M – Standard Specification for Carbon Structural Steel
- E. ASTM A325 – Standard Specification for Structural Bolts, Steel, Heat Treated, 120/105 ksi Minimum Tensile Strength
- F. ASTM A572/A572M – Standard Specification for High Strength Low Alloy Columbium Vanadium Structural Steel
- G. ASTM A615/A615M – Standard Specification for Deformed and Plain Carbon Steel Bars for Concrete Reinforcement
- H. NFPA 102 - Standard for Grandstands, Folding and Telescopic Seating, Tents, and Membrane Structures
- I. FDBC - Florida Building Code
- J. AISC – American Institute of Steel Construction – Steel Construction Manual and “Specifications for the Design, Fabrication, and Erection of Structural Steel for Buildings.”
- K. AWS - American Welding Society
- L. FFPC - Florida Fire Prevention Code

1.5 DESIGN CRITERIA

- A. General:
  - 1. Provide proper temporary bracing for the structure s to handle wind and construction loads until all permanent structural elements securely in place.
  - 2. Individual stringer columns not allowed.
  - 3. Provide cross brace lateral and longitudinal bays.
  - 4. Guardrails shall be of adequate size, location, and height to meet specified codes and designed to carry required loads.
  - 5. Provide completely closed exit stair risers and intermediate aisle stair risers in the direction of travel, and with a maximum rise of 7" and a minimum tread of 11".
- B. Code Compliance:
  - 1. Base the submittals upon specifications contained in the bid documents.
  - 2. Interpretation of code compliance for life safety issues is in design documents.
  - 3. Any change to design must have approval prior to bid.
  - 4. Design changes to reduce aisles or exits, not allowed.
  - 5. Design change to seat board bracket support, not allowed.
  - 6. Calculations that demonstrate code compliant egress and exit of aisles, stairs, and ramps is a required submission with approval drawings.
  - 7. Structure is a threshold building and must be inspected accordingly.
- C. Deflection: Size the structural elements to limit the live load deflections to 1/200 of the span.
- D. Foundations:
  - 1. Size foundations based on soil bearing capacity of 2500 lb. / sq. ft. unless directed by the Engineer of Record.
  - 2. Architect/Engineer shall verify the soil bearing capacity prior to placement of footings.
  - 3. Do not reduce foundation sizes on drawings under any circumstance.
  - 4. DO NOT downsizing or redesigned foundations.
- E. Design Loads:
  - 1. Live Load: 100 PSF gross horizontal area
  - 2. Perpendicular Sway Load: 10 PLF of seat plank
  - 3. Lateral Sway Load: 24 PLF of seat plank.
  - 4. Wind Load: Per ASCE 7, Risk Category III, Exposure C.
  - 5. Live Load for Seat and Tread Planks: 120 PLF.

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6. Handrail and Guardrail loads:
  - a. Concentrated loads: 200 Lb. Applied at any point in any direction
  - b. Uniform Loads: 50 PLF horizontally and 100 PLF vertically
- F. Area under the bleacher:
  1. Provide a concrete walkway the width of the stairs or ramp from their end to the nearest sidewalk system.
  2. Other areas may be gravel if they are fenced and have at least 2' of pavement on the other side of the fence.
  3. Pathway from the bottom of the ramp/stair shall have minimum 7' clear headroom with lighting as required by electrical design criteria.

1.6 SUBMITTALS

- A. Samples
  1. Seat board
  2. Footboard
  3. Riser board
  4. Handrail support post and cap
  5. chain link fencing
  6. Deck attachment support member
  7. Deck members with internal splice/expansion sleeve
  8. Intermediate step
  9. Seat mounting bracket - "L" type to meet FBC and NFPA codes
  10. Thermoplastic polyester resin powder coat protection for aluminum
  11. Assembled chair
  12. Seat mounting bracket
  13. Color chips
  14. Seat module with fasteners
- B. Seating plan indicating aisles, walkways, seating sections, exits
  1. Occupant loads and egress calculations and egress plan.
  2. Number of exits shall be as required by FBC & FFPC.
- C. End elevations/sections indicating rise and row depth, deck configuration and method of attachment, railings, size of framing members, vertical aisle details, and walkways.
- D. Provide calculations by a Florida Professional Engineer verifying compliance with ASCE 7.
- E. Obtain approval of all drawings and calculations by the SDPBC Building Department prior to fabrication and installation.

1.7 QUALITY ASSURANCE

- A. Manufacturer shall have a minimum of 10-years of experience in fabrication of grandstand structures.
- B. Engineering Qualifications:
  1. A Florida Professional Engineer shall design the Grandstand, and all submittals shall bear the PE's seal.
  2. Calculations are required, must show all vertical and lateral loads, and must show positive and negative biaxial stress ratios.
  3. Submit the calculations with the drawings.
  4. Do not reduce or change the steel sizes and foundation shapes and sizes.
- C. Product Liability: Provide detailed certificate of insurance, including products/completed operations insurance.
- D. Warranty:
  1. Provide 1-year product guarantee from date of written acceptance against defective materials and workmanship.

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2. 11-months from written acceptance, Contractor/Installer shall inspect with Owner the structure to identify and repair any warranty items, and to retighten any loose connections.
3. Damage resulting from abnormal use, vandalism, or incorrect installation (if installed by other than authorized installer of the manufacturer) is not applicable.
- E. Any Coating System Applicator other than the grandstand manufacturer shall specialize in the specific coating system application with a minimum of 10-years of experience.

## **PART 2 PRODUCTS**

### **2.1 MANUFACTURER**

- A. Listing as acceptable manufacturer does not remove responsibility to meet specifications.
  1. Southern Bleacher Co, Graham, TX
  2. Dant Clayton Corp., Louisville, KY
  3. Outdoor Aluminum, Geneva, Al
  4. Surdisteel, Waco, TX
  5. E & D Specialty Stands, North Collins, NY
  6. Pre-approved equal

### **2.2 MATERIALS**

- A. Structural Steel
  1. All detailing, fabrication, and erection shall be in accordance with AISC Specifications.
  2. Structural steel shall be ASTM A572/A572M multi-certified grade 50.
  3. Miscellaneous steel shall be ASTM A36/A36M.
  4. All structural steel bolts and nuts shall be ASTM A325, galvanized.
  5. Accessory and aluminum component bolts shall be ASTM A307, galvanized.
  6. Threaded rod shall be ASTM A36/A36M, galvanized.
  7. All welds shall conform to ANSI/AWS D1.1, latest edition.
    - a. Electrodes shall be E70XX.
  8. Columns shall be wide flange shapes.
  9. Support beams shall be wide flange shapes.
  10. Stringer shall be wide flange shape.
  11. Structural Steel Coating
    - a. Structural Steel
      - i) All structural steel material shall be hot-dipped galvanized after fabrication in accordance with ASTM A 123-09.
      - ii) All galvanizing shall be accomplished using Special High Grade zinc material per ASTM B 6-13.
      - iii) The Owner or Architect shall have open access to manufacturing facilities before and during the coating and/or painting of materials covered by the specifications and plans.
      - iv) Clean and re-galvanize all field cuts.
- B. Guard and Handrail System
  1. Guards shall be anodized, extruded aluminum pipe of 6061-T6 alloy, 1½" O.D.
  2. Guard supports shall be aluminum tube 2.8" x 2.0" x 0.1875", and shall be 6061-T6 alloy.
    - a. Guards shall have structural support on each leg of the fencing at all 90° turns.
    - b. Tension bands do not meet this requirement.
  3. Two-line center aisle handrails shall be anodized extruded aluminum pipe of 6061-T6 alloy, 1½" O.D.

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- a. Rails shall be discontinuous and spacing between rails shall be not less than 22" or more than 36".
    - b. Rails shall not span more than 5-rows of seating.
  4. Chain link fence shall be 2- mesh, 6-gauge black vinyl-coated fabric.
  5. Handrails shall be 1½" outside diameter and provide 1½" clearance from the guard in-fill material and shall extend 12" past the last riser with a return.
    - a. Newel posts and intermediate supports will not interrupt handrail.
  6. All vertical aluminum guard supports will have cast aluminum safety top cap.
  7. All edges and exposed parts shall be free of sharp edges.
- C. Seating
  1. Seats shall be comfort design 6063-T6 extruded aluminum with a fluted surface and a minimum of 4 vertical legs.
    - a. The exact size of seat board is 2" x 10" with waterfall front edge.
    - b. Aluminum shall be clean, pre-treated, and clear anodized.
  2. Mounting brackets shall be galvanized ASTM A36/A36M steel.
  3. Attach the seat boards in the upper seating section structural by use of steel "L" mounting brackets aligning with the intermediate steps.
    - a. Seats in the lower section shall be tread mounted "Z" brackets.
    - b. Attach the "L" mounting brackets to vertical rise with galvanized bolts that provide structural connection with no cavity in vertical riser.
    - c. Tek screw or self-tapping bolts - expressly prohibited for "L" bracket attachment.
- D. Welded Decking System
  1. Floor Deck on grandstand shall be aluminum maintenance-free and corrosion-resistant deck.
    - a. There will be no gaps between the longitudinal joints of the decking.
    - b. Decking shall be of such rigidity and reinforcing that no "oil-canning" of decking materials will occur.
    - c. The walking surface shall consist of a closed aluminum deck and fluted for safety, with concealed fasteners for the tread.
    - d. The decking systems extrusions will be 6063-T6 aluminum alloy, mill finish, with a wall thickness of 0.078".
    - e. The bottom leg of the front extrusion of the tread will contain a female valley.
    - f. This valley so designed to accept a male portion of an extruded riser plate from below.
    - g. The back portion of the decking will be an extrusion design of such height as to create sufficient overlap with the riser plate for the attachment of connection hardware.
    - h. The transition from vertical riser to horizontal decking shall be 5/8"-3/4" radius curve to prevent trash accumulation.
    - i. The decking members will interlock via tongue and groove prior to welding to increase rigidity and limit deflection.
    - j. Oversized non-slip anti-skid flutes are required to reduce loss of traction and increase coefficient of friction.
  2. The riser is to be an extrusion of 6063-T6 aluminum alloy, 0.078" wall thickness that has a male ridge running continuous at the top edge so designed that it will interlock into the front bottom of the nosing extrusion on the tread.
    - a. The riser shall be of sufficient overall height and adequately lap the vertical projection of the back lower tread extrusion.

- b. Aluminum shall be clean, pre-treated and powder coated with a thermal setting polyester resin in accordance with Architectural Aluminum Manufacturers Association specification AAMA 603.8
  3. Construct the deck system of the nose and back tread aluminum extrusion with various extruded sections placed between these two extrusions and located side by side.
    - a. Weld the decking system in a single pass with 0.040" diameter 4043 welding wire, creating a welded seam, one-piece tread panel in a minimum length of 18'-0" and not exceeding 37' 6".
    - b. Field welding will not be acceptable.
    - c. Clamp the deck assembly to the support structure and fixture with a one-percent slope to the front for water drainage.
    - d. The connecting hardware shall be concealed and attached by use of aluminum bolt clips with 5/16" hot-dipped galvanized, after fabrication, steel hardware.
    - e. The through bolting of decking material not allowed.
- E. Ramps and Ramp Platforms
  1. Frames shall be 9" x 1.40" extruded aluminum mill finish channel with 3" x 1.4" extruded aluminum mill finish vertical channel columns with aluminum safety top cap.
  2. Ramp deck shall be 6063-T6 extruded aluminum with a fluted surface and a minimum wall thickness of 0.078".
    - a. Minimum vertical thickness of treads shall be 1.75" actual.
    - b. Finish shall be mill finish.
  3. Ramp and ramp platform treads shall mate via tongue-and-groove design 1.75" actual dimension and a minimum wall thickness of 0.078 measured between the flutes.
    - a. All ramp footboards will run perpendicular to the direction of travel, to ensure proper function of anti-skid flutes.
    - b. Handrails shall be as specified herein.
    - c. Ramp configuration and quantity shall be as shown on the drawings.
      - i) The slope of the ramp shall be a maximum of 1" vertical to 12" horizontal with intermediate landings at turns or 30'-0" maximum spacing.
      - ii) There shall be a minimum clear distance between support channels of 60".
      - iii) The ramp shall land on concrete threshold.
- F. Stairs, Stair Platforms and Intermediate Steps
  1. Frames and stringers shall be A36 steel channel-finished to match the grandstand structural steel.
  2. Treads shall be 6063-T6 extruded aluminum with a fluted surface and a minimum wall thickness of 0.078".
    - a. Minimum vertical thickness of treads shall be 1.75" actual.
    - b. Treads shall be mill finish.
  3. Provide risers fully closing the stairs in all directions of travel.
    - a. Risers shall be clean, pre-treated and powder coated with a dry thermoplastic polyester resin in accordance with AAMA 603.8
  4. Stairs will land on concrete threshold.
  5. Intermediate steps in vertical aisle stairs will divide the rise and run in half,  $\pm 3/16$ " for code compliance.
    - a. Intermediate aisle stairs will not create a trip hazard within the 12" required aisle access way in a row.
    - b. Intermediate steps in vertical aisle stairs that create a vertical change in aisle access way are strictly prohibited.

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- c. There will be no variance allowed for tread depth to exceed  $\pm 3/16$ ".
    6. All bolts used for field installation shall be steel, hot dipped galvanized after fabrication.
    7. Intermediate aisle stair tread will be in line with seat boards in section view and plan view.
      - a. Half steps that require step up to aisle strictly prohibited.
    8. All aisle access ways will have 12" clear and level access to vertical aisle stairs.
  - G. End Caps
    1. Walkways, footboards, and aisle board end caps shall be one-piece mill finish aluminum angle design tumbled after fabrication to remove burrs and sharp edges.
      - a. End caps shall be riveted to the planks.
    2. Seat board end-caps shall be one-piece cast aluminum and shall be friction-fit to the plank without the use of mechanical fasteners.
    3. Cover handrail posts with cast aluminum top caps.
    4. Provide splice plates at all perpendicular seams in load bearing deck members to maintain alignment of decking members during expansion/contraction.
      - a. All seams shall occur at structural steel supports.
      - b. Provide joint covers at end panel butt joints.
      - c. Fasten covers to the internal sleeves.
- 2.3 Wheelchair Areas
- A. Enclose wheelchair-seating areas on all sides with a guard.
    1. Open vertical rise not allowed in the wheelchair area.
  - B. All wheelchair spaces will have seating in pairs of two.
    1. All wheelchair seating will have adjacent companion seat.
- 2.4 Reinforced Concrete
- A. All concrete work and materials shall be in accordance with ACI 318.
  - B. Cast-in-place concrete shall have minimum compressive strength of 3,000 PSI at 28 days.
  - C. All exterior concrete shall be air-entrained to  $6\% \pm 1\%$ .
  - D. Reinforcing steel shall be in accordance with ATM A615/A615M, grade 60.
  - E. Embedment of reinforcing in concrete shall be as follows, unless otherwise noted on drawings:
    1. 3" Placed directly against earth
    2. 2" Concrete poured against forms and exposed to weather
    3. 1½" Columns to ties

### **PART 3 EXECUTION**

#### **3.1 EXAMINATION**

- A. Examine site conditions, with Installer present, for compliance with requirements for construction and installation requirements as they affect work specified herein.
- B. Do not proceed until unsatisfactory conditions correct.

#### **3.2 INSTALLATION**

- A. Installation shall be directly by the manufacturer or by a factory-certified installation subcontractor subject to compliance of state licensure laws.
- B. Erect the structure in accordance with plans, shop drawings, and specifications.
- C. Erect the chairs and bench seating in accordance with plans, shop drawings, and specifications.
  1. When installed, configure the chairs to provide maximum number of 19", 20", or 21" units.
- D. Coordinate the installation with press boxes and required elevators and stair towers.

#### **3.3 ADJUSTMENT**

- A. Correct, repair, or replace any defective workmanship or damaged components, as requested by the Architect, without further cost to the Owner.

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- A. Clean all surfaces after erection, in accordance with manufacturer's recommendations.
- B. Remove and properly dispose of all packaging and construction debris.

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