

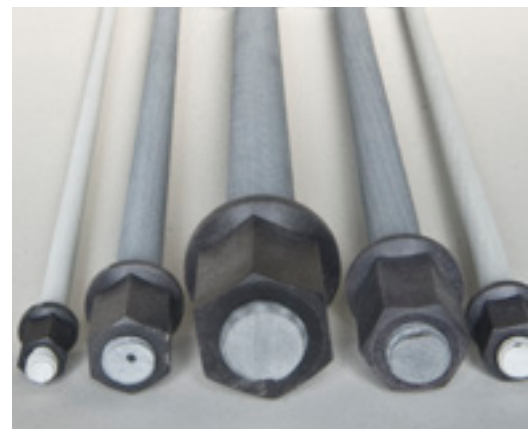
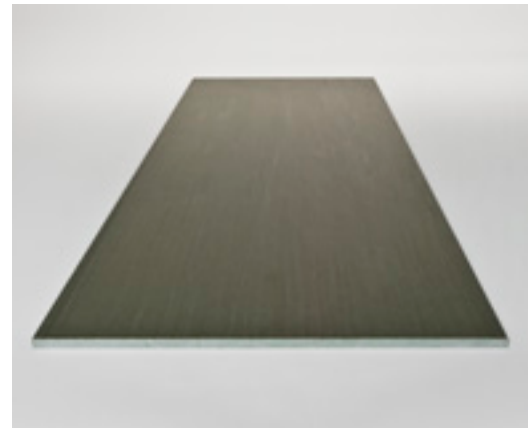


## STRUCTURAL PRODUCTS

PROForms® and PROPlate®



Environmental  
Composites, Inc





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## STRUCTURAL PRODUCT LINES

### PROForms® Structural Components

Our standard structural inventory includes angles, beams, deck board, building panels, columns, tubes, rods and more. See page 12 for a complete listing.

### PROPlate® Flat Sheet

Typically used for gusset plates, splice plates and base plates, as well as round and square washers, our flat sheet offers the same durability as our other FRP products.

### Custom Profiles

Need a special profile? We can manufacture custom pultrusions to your specifications. Contact us for a complete FRP solution including structural shapes, decking, handrail, ladders and cages and fabricated structures such as stairways and platforms.





#### APPLICATIONS

Stair Structures  
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Concrete Embedment  
Tank and Hatch Covers  
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Utilities  
Wastewater/Water Treatment

## THE SMART ALTERNATIVE TO WOOD, STEEL AND ALUMINUM

Fiberglass reinforced polymer (FRP) is one of the strongest, most durable building materials available today. It's nonconductive, dimensionally stable and extremely low maintenance. It offers the strength of steel at a fraction of the weight for efficient transportation and installation. And unlike traditional materials like wood, steel and aluminum, FRP won't rust, corrode, warp, rot, decay or attract insect damage — so it's ideal for harsh environments.

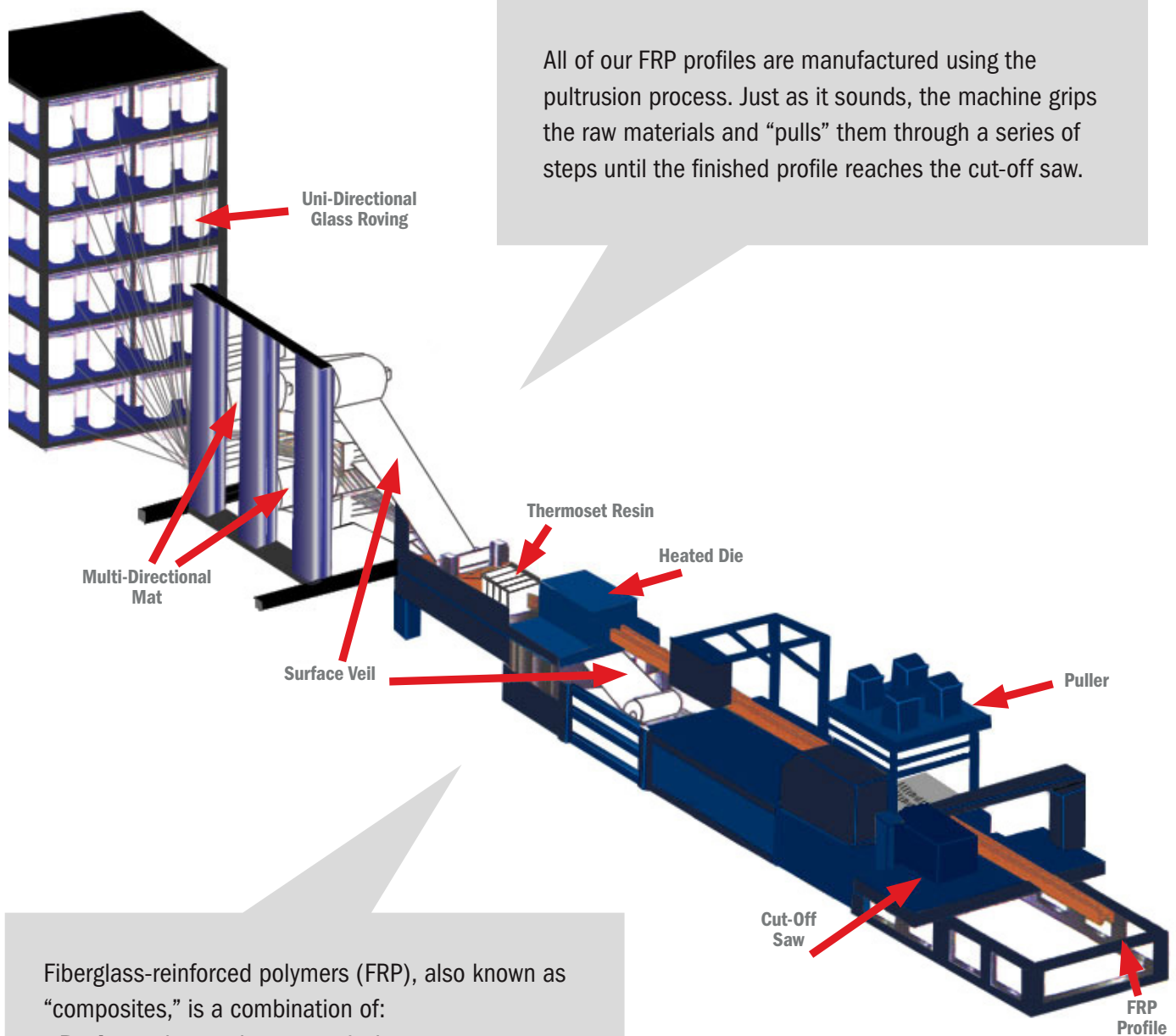
In short, it's a different way to solve your design challenges — one that can reduce costs and improve long-term performance. To maximize these benefits, however, it's best to design with the properties of FRP in mind from the start. Our engineers and fabricators can help, so contact us with your questions.

### Features and Benefits

- **Corrosion resistant.** Won't rot, rust or corrode.
- **Strong yet lightweight.** Helps save on transportation.
- **Virtually maintenance-free.** Durable and weather-resistant for a longer life cycle.
- **Fire-retardant and nonconductive.** Helps create a safer environment.
- **Dimensionally stable.** Won't shrink, swell, warp or bow.
- **Highly consistent.** Strength, appearance and quality are the same from piece to piece.
- **Easy to fabricate and install.** FRP can be cut, drilled and assembled with standard tools.
- **Non-leaching.** Does not require environmentally hazardous preservatives.
- **Fast turnaround.** Most in-stock orders are shipped within the next business day.
- **Backed by a 25-Year Limited Warranty\***
- **Made in U.S.A.**



# The Pultrusion Process: Step by Step



Fiberglass-reinforced polymers (FRP), also known as “composites,” is a combination of:

- **Resin**, such as polyester or vinylester;
- **Reinforcements**, such as fiberglass roving and mat;
- **Additives**, such as pigments, UV inhibitors, fire retardant, etc.; and
- **Surface veil**, which enhances corrosion resistance, UV protection and appearance



## 1 Reinforcement

The process typically starts by pulling in two forms of fiberglass reinforcement. Creels of fiberglass roving provide unidirectional strength along the length of the profile, and rolls of woven fiberglass mat provide multidirectional reinforcement. All reinforcements are fed through pre-forming guides that will begin to shape the raw glass fibers into the finished profile. Resin (added in step 2) provides an additional form of reinforcement.



## 2 Wet-Out

The fiberglass reinforcements are pulled through a bath of thermoset resin — typically polyester or vinylester — as well as pigments to add color, filler to enhance properties, and a catalyst to aid in curing.



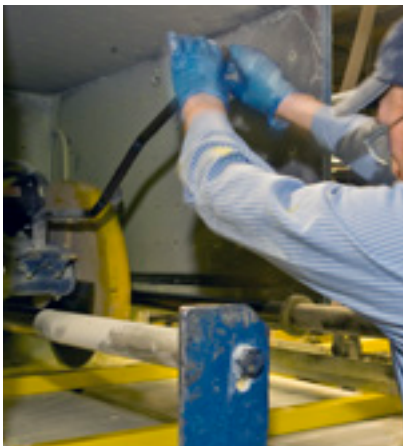
## 3 Surface Veil

Just before all the material is pulled into the heated die, surface veil is added to enhance the surface appearance of the final product.



## 4 Curing

Wet-out reinforcements are pulled through the heated pultrusion die, which begins the thermosetting process that causes the resin to “cure” or harden. By the time the part exits the die, a solid, rigid profile in the exact shape of the die cavity has been formed with all the reinforcements laminated inside.



## 5 Cutting

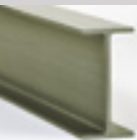
The finished product is then pulled to the cut-off saw and cut to the desired length. After cutting, it is placed in stock at one of our warehouses, sent to our state-of-the-art fabrication center for secondary processing, or crated for shipment to the customer.

### Standard Resin Systems

PROForms® and PROPlate® products are offered in three resin series to meet the requirements of different applications and environments.

#### STD — STANDARD NON FIRE RETARDANT POLYESTER

A general-purpose isophthalic polyester resin system with a UV inhibitor, offering good corrosion resistance. Color: Olive Green



#### FR — FIRE RETARDANT POLYESTER

A general-purpose fire-retardant isophthalic resin system with a UV inhibitor, offering good corrosion resistance. Colors: Dark Gray and Yellow



#### VE — VINYLESTER FIRE RETARDANT

A premium vinylester resin system with a UV inhibitor. It's fire retardant and highly corrosion resistant. Colors: Beige and Yellow







BEFORE



AFTER



## FRP vs. Traditional Materials

Traditional building materials have their place. But for harsh, corrosive environments, FRP is a smart choice. Here's how FRP compares to several traditional options.

|                                             | FRP Composites<br><i>Pultruded GFRP</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | Steel<br><i>A 709 Grade 50</i>                                                                                                                    | Aluminum<br><i>6061-T651 &amp; 6061-T6</i>                                                                                                 | Wood<br><i>Douglas Fir</i>                                                                                                                                  |
|---------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>CORROSION, ROT AND INSECT RESISTANCE</b> | <b>Resists a broad range of chemicals and is unaffected by moisture</b> or immersion in water. <b>Resists insect damage.</b> Painting is only suggested when exposed to UV rays/direct sunlight.                                                                                                                                     | Subject to oxidation and corrosion. Requires painting or galvanizing for many applications.                                                       | Can cause galvanic corrosion. (Anodizing and other coatings increase corrosion resistance.)                                                | Can warp, rot and decay when exposed to moisture, water and chemicals. Susceptible to attack by insects such as termites and marine borers.                 |
| <b>STRENGTH</b>                             | <b>Has greater flexural strength</b> than timber and pound-for-pound is <b>often stronger than steel and aluminum</b> in the lengthwise direction.<br>Ultimate flexural strength ( $F_u$ ):<br>LW = 30,000 psi (30 ksi)<br>CW = 10,000 psi (10 ksi)<br>Compression strength:<br>LW = 30,000 psi (30 ksi)<br>CW = 15,000 psi (10 ksi) | Homogeneous material.<br>Yield strength ( $F_y$ ) = 36 ksi                                                                                        | Homogeneous material.<br>Flexural strength ( $F_u$ ) = 35 ksi                                                                              | Modulus of rupture is 12,000 psi                                                                                                                            |
| <b>WEIGHT</b>                               | Weighs 75% less than steel and 30% less than aluminum.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | Could require lifting equipment to move and place.<br><br>1/2-in. thick plate = 20.4 lbs/sq ft                                                    | Lightweight — about a third of the weight of copper or steel.                                                                              | Specific gravity 0.48                                                                                                                                       |
| <b>ELECTRICAL CONDUCTIVITY</b>              | <b>Nonconductive.</b> High dielectric capability.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Conducts electricity. Grounding potential.                                                                                                        | Conducts electricity. Grounding potential.                                                                                                 | Can be conductive when wet.                                                                                                                                 |
| <b>THERMAL PROPERTIES</b>                   | <b>Good insulator with low thermal conductivity.</b><br>Thermal conductivity = 4 (BTU in. / (hr ft <sup>2</sup> °F))<br>Low thermal coefficient of expansion.<br>= 7 - 8 (in./in./°F) 10 <sup>-6</sup>                                                                                                                               | Conducts heat.<br>Thermal conductivity = 260-460 (BTU/sf/hr/°F/in.)<br>Thermal coefficient of expansion.<br>= 6 - 8 (in./in./°F) 10 <sup>-6</sup> | Conducts heat.<br>Thermal conductivity = 150 (BTU/sf/hr/°F/in.)<br>Thermal coefficient of expansion.<br>= 13 (in./in./°F) 10 <sup>-6</sup> | Low thermal conductivity.<br>Thermal conductivity = .8 (BTU/sf/hr/°F/in.)<br>Thermal coefficient of expansion.<br>= 1.7 - 2.5 (in./in./°F) 10 <sup>-6</sup> |

|                             | <b>FRP Composites</b><br><i>Pultruded GFRP</i>                                                                                                                                    | <b>Steel</b><br><i>A 709 Grade 50</i>                                                                         | <b>Aluminum</b><br><i>6061-T651 &amp; 6061-T6</i>                                                                       | <b>Wood</b><br><i>Douglas Fir</i>                                                                                                                |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>STIFFNESS</b>            | Up to 3.3 times as rigid as timber. Will not permanently deform under working load.<br>Modulus of elasticity:<br>2.8 x 10 <sup>6</sup> psi                                        | Modulus of elasticity:<br>29 x 10 <sup>6</sup> psi                                                            | Modulus of elasticity:<br>10 x 10 <sup>6</sup> psi                                                                      | Modulus of elasticity:<br>up to 1.6-1.8 x 10 <sup>6</sup> psi*                                                                                   |
| <b>IMPACT RESISTANCE</b>    | Will not permanently deform under impact. Glass mat in pultruded parts distributes impact load to prevent surface damage, even in subzero temperatures.                           | Can permanently deform under impact.                                                                          | Easily deforms under impact.                                                                                            | Can permanently deform or break under impact.                                                                                                    |
| <b>ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT</b> | Not hazardous to the environment.                                                                                                                                                 | Not hazardous.                                                                                                | Not hazardous.                                                                                                          | May be treated with hazardous preservatives or coatings to increase corrosion/rot/insect resistance. Contributes to depletion of forest systems. |
| <b>COLOR</b>                | Color is molded through; no painting required.<br>Variety of colors available.                                                                                                    | Must be painted for color, and may require repainting over time.                                              | Colors require prefinishes, anodic coatings and paints. Mechanical, chemical and electroplated finishes can be applied. | Must be primed and painted for color, and may require repainting over time.                                                                      |
| <b>COST</b>                 | Lower installation costs, less maintenance and longer product life allow for a lower lifecycle cost.                                                                              | Lower initial material cost.                                                                                  | Part price comparable to FRP.                                                                                           | Has a lower initial cost, but usually requires more maintenance and replacement.                                                                 |
| <b>EMI/RFI TRANSPARENCY</b> | Transparent to radio waves and EMI/RFI transmissions. Used for radar and antennae enclosures and supports.                                                                        | Can interfere with EMI/RFI transmissions.                                                                     | Highly reflective to EMI/RFI transmissions.                                                                             | Transparent.                                                                                                                                     |
| <b>FABRICATION</b>          | Can be field-fabricated using simple carpenter's tools with carbon or diamond tip blades — no torches or welding required. Light weight allows easier transport and installation. | Often requires welding and cutting torches. Heavier material requires special equipment to erect and install. | Good machinability (welding, brazing, soldering or mechanical joining).                                                 | Can be field-fabricated using simple carpenter's tools.                                                                                          |

\*12% moisture content

## Compare the Numbers ...

| <b>Property</b>                                          | <b>FRP Composites</b><br><i>Pultruded GFRP</i> |             | <b>Steel</b><br><i>A 709 Grade 50</i> | <b>Aluminum</b><br><i>6061-T651 &amp; 6061-T6</i> | <b>Wood</b><br><i>Douglas Fir</i> |
|----------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|-------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Density (lb/ft <sup>3</sup> )                            | 107-120                                        |             | 490                                   | 169                                               | 30                                |
| Tensile Strength (psi)                                   | 30,000 (LW)                                    | 7,000 (CW)  | 65,000                                | 45,000                                            | —                                 |
| Tensile Modulus (x 10 <sup>6</sup> psi)                  | 2.8 (LW)                                       | 1 (CW)      | 30                                    | 10                                                | —                                 |
| Flexural Strength (psi)                                  | 30,000 (LW)                                    | 10,000 (CW) | 65,000                                | 45,000                                            | 12,000                            |
| Flexural Modulus (x 10 <sup>6</sup> psi)                 | 1.8 (LW)                                       | 0.8 (CW)    | 30                                    | 10                                                | 1.6 - 1.8                         |
| Thermal Conductivity (BTU in. / (hr ft <sup>2</sup> °F)) | 4                                              |             | 323                                   | 1,160                                             | 0.8                               |
| Thermal Expansion (x 10 <sup>-6</sup> in./in./°F)        | 7 to 8                                         |             | 6 to 8                                | 13                                                | 1.7 to 2.5                        |

LW = Lengthwise / CW = Crosswise

References:

1. Datasheets from [www.matweb.com](http://www.matweb.com)
2. Wood Handbook: Wood as an Engineering Material



# Typical Coupon Properties

The following table shows test results for typical coupon properties of PROForms® and PROPlate® structural fiberglass profiles (Standard, Fire Retardant and Vinylester shapes). Properties are derived per the ASTM test method shown. Synthetic surfacing veil and ultraviolet inhibitors are standard.

|                                                  | ASTM<br>TEST<br>METHOD | UNITS               | POLY-<br>ESTER<br>SHAPES | VINYL-<br>ESTER<br>SHAPES | ROD &<br>BAR | POLYESTER PLATE |                |             | VINYLESTER PLATE |                |             |
|--------------------------------------------------|------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|--------------|-----------------|----------------|-------------|------------------|----------------|-------------|
|                                                  |                        |                     |                          |                           |              | 1/8"            | 3/16"-<br>1/4" | 3/8"-<br>1" | 1/8"             | 3/16"-<br>1/4" | 3/8"-<br>1" |
| MECHANICAL PROPERTIES (minimum ultimate)         |                        |                     |                          |                           |              |                 |                |             |                  |                |             |
| Tensile Stress, LW                               | D-638                  | psi                 | 30,000                   | 30,000                    | 100,000      | 20,000          | 20,000         | 20,000      | 20,000           | 20,000         | 20,000      |
|                                                  |                        | N/mm <sup>2</sup>   | 206.8                    | 206.8                     | 689          | 137.9           | 137.9          | 137.9       | 137.9            | 137.9          | 137.9       |
| Tensile Stress, CW                               | D-638                  | psi                 | 7,000                    | 7,000                     |              | 7,500           | 10,000         | 10,000      | 7,500            | 10,000         | 10,000      |
|                                                  |                        | N/mm <sup>2</sup>   | 48.2                     | 48.2                      |              | 51.7            | 68.9           | 68.9        | 51.7             | 68.9           | 68.9        |
| Tensile Modulus, LW                              | D-638                  | 10 <sup>6</sup> psi | 2.5                      | 2.6                       | 6.0          | 1.8             | 1.8            | 1.8         | 1.8              | 1.8            | 1.8         |
|                                                  |                        | KN/mm <sup>2</sup>  | 17.2                     | 17.9                      | 41.3         | 12.4            | 12.4           | 12.4        | 12.4             | 12.4           | 12.4        |
| Tensile Modulus, CW                              | D-638                  | 10 <sup>6</sup> psi | 0.8                      | 0.8                       |              | 0.7             | 0.9            | 1.4         | 1.0              | 1.0            | 1.4         |
|                                                  |                        | KN/mm <sup>2</sup>  | 5.5                      | 5.5                       |              | 4.8             | 6.2            | 9.6         | 6.9              | 6.9            | 9.6         |
| Compressive Stress, LW                           | D-695                  | psi                 | 30,000                   | 30,000                    | 60,000       | 24,000          | 24,000         | 24,000      | 24,000           | 24,000         | 24,000      |
|                                                  |                        | N/mm <sup>2</sup>   | 206.8                    | 206.8                     | 413.6        | 165.4           | 165.4          | 165.4       | 165.4            | 165.4          | 165.4       |
| Compressive Stress, CW                           | D-695                  | psi                 | 15,000                   | 16,000                    |              | 15,500          | 16,500         | 20,000      | 16,500           | 17,500         | 20,000      |
|                                                  |                        | N/mm <sup>2</sup>   | 103.4                    | 110.3                     |              | 106.8           | 113.7          | 137.9       | 113.79           | 120.6          | 137.9       |
| Compressive Modulus, LW                          | D-695                  | 10 <sup>6</sup> psi | 2.5                      | 2.6                       |              | 1.8             | 1.8            | 1.8         | 1.8              | 1.8            | 1.8         |
|                                                  |                        | KN/mm <sup>2</sup>  | 17.2                     | 17.9                      |              | 12.4            | 12.4           | 12.4        | 12.4             | 12.4           | 12.4        |
| Compressive Modulus, CW                          | D-695                  | 10 <sup>6</sup> psi | 1.0                      | 1.0                       |              | 1.0             | 1.0            | 1.0         | 1.0              | 1.0            | 1.0         |
|                                                  |                        | KN/mm <sup>2</sup>  | 6.9                      | 6.9                       |              | 6.9             | 6.9            | 6.9         | 6.9              | 6.9            | 6.9         |
| Flexural Stress, LW                              | D-790                  | psi                 | 30,000                   | 30,000                    | 100,000      | 35,000          | 35,000         | 30,000      | 35,000           | 35,000         | 30,000      |
|                                                  |                        | N/mm <sup>2</sup>   | 206.8                    | 206.8                     | 689          | 241.3           | 241.3          | 206.8       | 241.3            | 241.3          | 206.8       |
| Flexural Stress, CW                              | D-790                  | psi                 | 10,000                   | 10,000                    |              | 13,000          | 15,000         | 18,000      | 13,000           | 15,000         | 18,000      |
|                                                  |                        | N/mm <sup>2</sup>   | 68.9                     | 68.9                      |              | 89.6            | 103.4          | 124.1       | 89.6             | 103.4          | 124.1       |
| Flexural Modulus, LW                             | D-790                  | 10 <sup>6</sup> psi | 1.8                      | 2.2                       | 6.0          | 1.8             | 2.0            | 2.0         | 1.8              | 2.0            | 2.0         |
|                                                  |                        | KN/mm <sup>2</sup>  | 11.0                     | 11.0                      | 41.9         | 12.4            | 13.8           | 13.8        | 12.4             | 13.8           | 13.8        |
| Flexural Modulus, CW                             | D-790                  | 10 <sup>6</sup> psi | 0.8                      | 0.8                       |              | 0.9             | 1.1            | 1.4         | 1.0              | 1.1            | 1.4         |
|                                                  |                        | KN/mm <sup>2</sup>  | 5.5                      | 5.5                       |              | 6.2             | 7.6            | 9.6         | 6.2              | 7.6            | 9.6         |
| Modulus of Elasticity, E                         | Full<br>Section        | 10 <sup>6</sup> psi | 2.6                      | 2.8                       |              |                 |                |             |                  |                |             |
|                                                  |                        | KN/mm <sup>2</sup>  | 17.9                     | 19.3                      |              |                 |                |             |                  |                |             |
| Modulus of Elasticity, E<br>( W & I Shapes > 4") | Full<br>Section        | 10 <sup>6</sup> psi | 2.5                      | 2.5                       |              |                 |                |             |                  |                |             |
|                                                  |                        | KN/mm <sup>2</sup>  | 17.2                     | 17.2                      |              |                 |                |             |                  |                |             |
| Shear Modulus, LW                                | Full<br>Section        | 10 <sup>6</sup> psi | 0.425                    | 0.425                     |              |                 |                |             |                  |                |             |
|                                                  |                        | KN/mm <sup>2</sup>  | 2.9                      | 2.9                       |              |                 |                |             |                  |                |             |
| Short Beam Shear, LW                             | D-2344                 | psi                 | 4,500                    | 4,500                     | 8,000        |                 |                |             |                  |                |             |
|                                                  |                        | N/mm <sup>2</sup>   | 31.0                     | 31.0                      | 55.2         |                 |                |             |                  |                |             |
| Ultimate Bearing Stress,<br>LW & CW              | D-953                  | psi                 | 30,000                   | 30,000                    |              | 32,000          | 32,000         | 32,000      | 32,000           | 32,000         | 32,000      |
|                                                  |                        | N/mm <sup>2</sup>   | 206.8                    | 206.8                     |              | 220.6           | 220.6          | 220.6       | 220.6            | 220.6          | 220.6       |
| Poisson's Ratio, LW                              | D-3039                 | in./in.             | 0.33                     | 0.33                      |              | 0.31            | 0.31           | 0.31        | 0.31             | 0.31           | 0.31        |
|                                                  |                        | mm/mm               | 0.33                     | 0.33                      |              | 0.31            | 0.31           | 0.31        | 0.31             | 0.31           | 0.31        |
| Notched Izod Impact, LW                          | D-256                  | ft.-lbs./in.        | 25                       | 25                        | 40           | 18.5            | 20             | 20          | 18.5             | 20             | 20          |
|                                                  |                        | J/mm                | 1.28                     | 1.28                      | 2.04         | 0.94            | 1.02           | 1.02        | 0.94             | 1.02           | 1.02        |
| Notched Izod Impact, CW                          | D-256                  | ft.-lbs./in.        | 4                        | 4                         |              | 5               | 5              | 5           | 5                | 5              | 5           |
|                                                  |                        | J/mm                | 0.2                      | 0.2                       |              | 0.26            | 0.26           | 0.26        | 0.26             | 0.26           | 0.26        |



|                                                                                                         | ASTM<br>TEST<br>METHOD | UNITS                              | POLY-<br>ESTER<br>SHAPES | VINYL-<br>ESTER<br>SHAPES | ROD &<br>BAR | POLYESTER PLATE |                |               | VINYLESTER PLATE |                |               |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|--------------|-----------------|----------------|---------------|------------------|----------------|---------------|
|                                                                                                         |                        |                                    |                          |                           |              | 1/8"            | 3/16"-<br>1/4" | 3/8"-<br>1"   | 1/8"             | 3/16"-<br>1/4" | 3/8"-<br>1"   |
| PHYSICAL PROPERTIES                                                                                     |                        |                                    |                          |                           |              |                 |                |               |                  |                |               |
| Barcol Hardness                                                                                         | D-2583                 | —                                  | 45                       | 45                        | 50           | 40              | 40             | 40            | 40               | 40             | 40            |
| 24-Hour Water Absorption                                                                                | D-570                  | % max., by wt.                     | 0.60                     | 0.60                      | 0.25         | 0.60            | 0.60           | 0.60          | 0.60             | 0.60           | 0.60          |
| Density                                                                                                 | D-792                  | lbs./in. <sup>3</sup>              | .062-.070                | .062-.070                 | .072-.076    | 0.60-<br>0.68   | 0.60-<br>0.68  | 0.60-<br>0.68 | 0.60-<br>0.68    | 0.60-<br>0.68  | 0.60-<br>0.68 |
|                                                                                                         |                        | 10 <sup>-3</sup> g/mm <sup>3</sup> | 1.72-1.94                | 1.72-1.94                 | 1.99-2.10    | 1.66-<br>1.88   | 1.66-<br>1.88  | 1.66-<br>1.88 | 1.66-<br>1.88    | 1.66-<br>1.88  | 1.66-<br>1.88 |
| Coefficient of Thermal<br>Expansion (Typical), LW                                                       | D-696                  | 10 <sup>-6</sup> in./in./°F        | 7.0                      | 7.0                       | 5.0          | 8.0             | 8.0            | 8.0           | 8.0              | 8.0            | 8.0           |
|                                                                                                         |                        | 10 <sup>-6</sup> mm/mm/°C          | 1.2                      | 1.2                       | 5.45         | 14.5            | 14.5           | 14.5          | 14.5             | 14.5           | 14.5          |
| Thermal Conductivity                                                                                    | C-177                  | BTU/sf/hr/°F/in.                   | 4                        | 4                         | 4            | 4               | 4              | 4             | 4                | 4              | 4             |
|                                                                                                         |                        | W-m/m <sup>2</sup> / °C            | 0.58                     | 0.58                      | 0.58         | 0.58            | 0.58           | 0.58          | 0.58             | 0.58           | 0.58          |
| ELECTRICAL PROPERTIES (based on polyester and vinylester resin systems)                                 |                        |                                    |                          |                           |              |                 |                |               |                  |                |               |
| Arc Resistance, LW                                                                                      | D-495                  | seconds                            | 120                      |                           |              |                 |                |               |                  |                |               |
| Dielectric Strength, LW                                                                                 | D-149                  | kv/in.                             | 35                       |                           |              |                 |                |               |                  |                |               |
| Dielectric Strength, PF                                                                                 | D-149                  | volts/mil.                         | 200                      |                           |              |                 |                |               |                  |                |               |
| Dielectric Strength, PF                                                                                 | D-150                  | @60hz                              | 5                        |                           |              |                 |                |               |                  |                |               |
| FLAMMABILITY PROPERTIES (based on fire retardant polyester and fire retardant vinylester resin systems) |                        |                                    |                          |                           |              |                 |                |               |                  |                |               |
| Flammability<br>Classification (1/8")                                                                   | UL 94                  | VO                                 |                          |                           |              |                 |                |               |                  |                |               |
| Tunnel Test                                                                                             | E-84                   | 25 max.                            |                          |                           |              |                 |                |               |                  |                |               |
| NBS Smoke Chamber<br>E-662                                                                              | E-662                  | 600-700                            |                          |                           |              |                 |                |               |                  |                |               |
| Flammability                                                                                            | D-635                  | Self Extinguishing                 |                          |                           |              |                 |                |               |                  |                |               |

LW=Lengthwise CW=Crosswise PF=Perpendicular to Laminate Face





## Typical Properties of Threaded Rod/Nuts

Our threaded rod and nuts are manufactured using premium vinylester resin containing UV inhibitors. The properties listed below are the result of the ASTM test method indicated.

| PROPERTIES                                    | ASTM TEST METHOD | UNITS                       | VALUE<br>Diameter – Threads per inch (UNC) |        |        |        |         |
|-----------------------------------------------|------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|---------|
|                                               |                  |                             | 3/8-16                                     | 1/2-13 | 5/8-11 | 3/4-10 | 1-8     |
| Ultimate Transverse Shear (Double Shear)      | B-565            | lb.                         | 4,200                                      | 6,800  | 10,000 | 13,400 | 24,000  |
|                                               |                  | N                           | 18,683                                     | 30,248 | 44,482 | 59,606 | 106,757 |
| Longitudinal Compressive Strength             | D-695            | psi                         | 50,000                                     | 50,000 | 50,000 | 50,000 | 50,000  |
|                                               |                  | MPa                         | 345                                        | 345    | 345    | 345    | 345     |
| Flexural Strength                             | D-790            | psi                         | 70,000                                     | 70,000 | 70,000 | 70,000 | 70,000  |
|                                               |                  | MPa                         | 483                                        | 483    | 483    | 483    | 483     |
|                                               | D-790            | psi x 10 <sup>6</sup>       | 2.5                                        | 2.5    | 2.5    | 2.5    | 2.5     |
|                                               |                  | GPa                         | 17.2                                       | 17.2   | 17.2   | 17.2   | 17.2    |
| Flammability                                  | D-635            |                             | Self-extinguishing                         |        |        |        |         |
| Fire Retardant                                | E-84             |                             | Class 1                                    |        |        |        |         |
| Water Absorption (24 Hour Immersion)          | D-570            | % max.                      | 0.8                                        | 0.8    | 0.8    | 0.8    | 0.8     |
| Longitudinal Coefficient of Thermal Expansion | D-696            | 10 <sup>-6</sup> in./in./°F | 6                                          | 6      | 6      | 6      | 6       |
|                                               |                  | 10 <sup>-6</sup> mm/mm/°C   | 11                                         | 11     | 11     | 11     | 11      |





| PROPERTIES                                                                       | ASTM<br>TEST<br>METHOD | UNITS   | VALUE<br>Diameter – Threads per inch (UNC) |        |        |        |        |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|---------|--------------------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
|                                                                                  |                        |         | 3/8-16                                     | 1/2-13 | 5/8-11 | 3/4-10 | 1-8    |
| Ultimate Thread Shear (Using Fiberglass Nut)                                     | —                      | lb.     | 1,200                                      | 2,400  | 3,600  | 4,000  | 8,200  |
|                                                                                  |                        | N       | 5,338                                      | 10,676 | 16,014 | 17,793 | 36,475 |
| Ultimate Torque Strength (Fiberglass Nut<br>Lubricated with SAE 10W30 Motor Oil) | —                      | ft.-lb. | 8                                          | 16     | 35     | 50     | 110    |
|                                                                                  |                        | N-m     | 11                                         | 22     | 47     | 68     | 149    |
| Rod Weight                                                                       | —                      | lb./ft. | 0.09                                       | 0.15   | 0.24   | 0.34   | 0.52   |
|                                                                                  |                        | g/m     | 40.82                                      | 68.03  | 108.86 | 154.22 | 235.86 |
| Nut Weight                                                                       | —                      | lb.     | 0.02                                       | 0.03   | 0.04   | 0.07   | 0.13   |
|                                                                                  |                        | grams   | 9.07                                       | 13.60  | 18.14  | 31.75  | 58.96  |
| Nut Dimensions (Hex Nut Height)                                                  | —                      | in.     | 0.75                                       | 0.875  | 1.25   | 1.5    | 1.75   |
|                                                                                  |                        | mm      | 19.1                                       | 22.2   | 31.8   | 38.1   | 44.5   |
| Color                                                                            |                        | Gray    |                                            |        |        |        |        |





# PROForms® Availability



## ANGLE

| SIZE IN INCHES       | LBS./LIN. FT. |
|----------------------|---------------|
| 1 x 1 x 1/8          | 0.19          |
| 1 1/4 x 1/8          | 0.23          |
| 1 1/2 x 1 1/2 x 3/16 | 0.46          |
| 1 1/2 x 1 1/2 x 1/4  | 0.54          |
| 2 x 2 x 1/4          | 0.75          |
| 3 x 3 x 1/4          | 1.16          |
| 3 x 3 x 3/8          | 1.62          |
| 3 x 3 x 1/2          | 2.09          |
| 4 x 4 x 1/4          | 1.50          |
| 4 x 4 x 3/8          | 2.21          |
| 4 x 4 x 1/2          | 2.92          |
| 6 x 6 x 3/8          | 3.35          |
| 6 x 6 x 1/2          | 4.55          |
| 6 x 4 x 1/2          | 3.63          |



## CHANNEL

| SIZE IN INCHES       | LBS./LIN. FT. |
|----------------------|---------------|
| 2 x 3/16 x 1/8       | 0.28          |
| 3 x 3/8 x 1/4        | 0.80          |
| 3 x 1 x 1/4          | 0.85          |
| 3 x 1 1/2 x 3/16     | 0.81          |
| 3 x 1 1/2 x 1/4      | 1.03          |
| 3 1/2 x 1 1/2 x 3/16 | 0.90          |
| 4 x 1 1/8 x 1/4      | 1.14          |
| 4 x 1 3/8 x 3/16     | 0.93          |
| 5 x 1 3/8 x 1/4      | 1.37          |
| 5 1/2 x 1 1/2 x 1/4  | 1.55          |
| 6 x 1 3/8 x 1/4      | 1.69          |
| 6 x 1 11/16 x 3/8    | 2.41          |
| 8 x 2 3/16 x 1/4     | 2.31          |
| 8 x 2 3/16 x 3/8     | 3.24          |
| 10 x 2 3/4 x 1/2     | 5.55          |
| 12 x 3 x 1/2         | 6.24          |
| 14 x 3 1/2 x 3/4     | 10.97         |
| 18 x 2 1/2 x 3/8     | 6.50          |



## SQUARE TUBE

| SIZE IN INCHES       | LBS./LIN. FT. |
|----------------------|---------------|
| 1 x 1 x 1/8          | 0.34          |
| 1 1/4 x 1 1/4 x 1/4  | 0.74          |
| 1 1/2 x 1 1/2 x 1/8  | 0.53          |
| 1 1/2 x 1 1/2 x 1/4  | 0.97          |
| 1 3/4 x 1 3/4 x 1/8  | 0.58          |
| 1 3/4 x 1 3/4 x 1/4  | 1.09          |
| 2 x 2 x 1/8          | 0.71          |
| 2 x 2 x 1/4          | 1.35          |
| 2 1/8 x 2 1/8 x 3/16 | 0.71          |
| 2 1/4 x 2 1/4 x 1/8  | 0.86          |
| 2 1/4 x 2 1/4 x 1/4  | 1.67          |
| 2 1/2 x 2 1/2 x 1/4  | 1.76          |
| 3 x 3 x 1/8          | 1.09          |
| 3 x 3 x 1/4          | 2.11          |
| 3 x 3 x 3/8          | 2.99          |
| 3 1/2 x 3 1/2 x 1/4  | 2.60          |
| 4 x 4 x 1/4          | 2.96          |
| 4 x 4 x 3/8          | 4.32          |
| 6 x 6 x 1/4          | 4.35          |
| 6 x 6 x 3/8          | 6.54          |



## PROPLATE® FLAT SHEET

| SIZE IN INCHES | LBS./SQ. FT. |
|----------------|--------------|
| 2 1/2 x 3/16   | 0.37         |
| 3 x 1/4        | 0.57         |
| 3 x 3/8        | 0.93         |
| 3 x 1/2        | 1.06         |
| 4 x 1/8        | 0.39         |
| 4 x 1/4        | 0.76         |
| 4 x 3/8        | 1.15         |
| 4 x 1/2        | 1.53         |
| 6 x 1/4        | 1.24         |
| 6 x 1/2        | 2.25         |
| 9 x 1/4        | 1.86         |
| 10 x 1/4       | 2.02         |
| 11 x 1/4       | 2.26         |
| 12 x 1/4       | 2.46         |
| 20 x 1/4       | 4.01         |
| 24 x 1/4       | 4.87         |
| 36 x 1/4       | 7.49         |
| 48 x 1/8       | 1.30         |
| 48 x 3/16      | 1.88         |
| 48 x 1/4       | 2.49         |
| 48 x 3/8       | 3.51         |
| 48 x 1/2       | 4.87         |
| 48 x 5/8       | 5.86         |
| 48 x 3/4       | 6.72         |
| 48 x 1         | 8.65         |



## ROUND TUBE

| SIZE IN INCHES | LBS./LIN. FT. |
|----------------|---------------|
| 1 x .100       | 0.25          |
| 1 x 1/8        | 0.28          |
| 1 1/2 x 1/8    | 0.38          |
| 1 1/2 x 1/4    | 0.79          |
| 1 3/4 x 1/8    | 0.54          |
| 1 3/4 x 1/4    | 0.97          |
| 2 x 1/8        | 0.57          |
| 2 x 1/4        | 1.03          |
| 3 x .100       | 0.70          |
| 3 x 1/4        | 1.72          |
| 3 x 1/2        | 3.13          |
| 4.89 x 1/8     | 1.81          |
| 4.89 x .195    | 2.13          |
| 6 x 1/4        | 1.72          |



## I-BEAM

| SIZE IN INCHES        | LBS./LIN. FT. |
|-----------------------|---------------|
| 3 x 1 1/2 x 1/4       | 1.10          |
| 3 1/2 x 1 1/2 x 3/16  | 0.97          |
| 4 x 2 x 1/4           | 1.56          |
| 5 1/2 x 2 x 1/2 x 1/4 | 1.58          |
| 6 x 3 x 1/4           | 2.34          |
| 6 x 3 x 3/8           | 3.65          |
| 8 x 4 x 3/8           | 4.42          |
| 8 x 4 x 1/2           | 5.70          |
| 10 x 5 x 3/8          | 5.67          |
| 10 x 5 x 1/2          | 7.39          |
| 12 x 6 x 1/2          | 8.91          |
| 18 x 4 1/2 x 12       | 8.51          |
| 24 x 7 1/2 x 3/4      | 15.49         |



## WIDE FLANGE (WF) BEAM

| SIZE IN INCHES | LBS./LIN. FT. |
|----------------|---------------|
| 3 x 3 x 1/4    | 1.71          |
| 4 x 4 x 1/4    | 2.33          |
| 6 x 6 x 1/4    | 3.49          |
| 6 x 6 x 3/8    | 5.29          |
| 8 x 8 x 3/8    | 6.92          |
| 8 x 8 x 1/2    | 8.85          |
| 10 x 10 x 3/8  | 8.54          |
| 10 x 10 x 1/2  | 11.08         |
| 12 x 12 x 1/2  | 13.43         |



## RECTANGULAR TUBE

| SIZE IN INCHES      | LBS./LIN. FT. |
|---------------------|---------------|
| 4 x 1 x 1/8         | 0.92          |
| 4 3/8 x 1 3/8 x 1/8 | 1.16          |
| 4 x 1 1/8 x 2 x 1/4 | 2.21          |
| 4 x 2 x 1/4         | 2.21          |
| 5 x 2 x 1/8         | 1.21          |
| 5 1/2 x 3 1/2 x 1/4 | 3.09          |
| 6 x 4 x 1/4         | 3.77          |
| 6 1/2 x 2 x 1/2     | 3.56          |



### ROUND ROD

| SIZE IN INCHES | LBS./LIN. FT. |
|----------------|---------------|
| 1/8            | 0.01          |
| 3/16           | 0.02          |
| 1/4            | 0.04          |
| 5/16           | 0.07          |
| 3/8            | 0.10          |
| 1/2            | 0.16          |
| 5/8            | 0.27          |
| 3/4            | 0.38          |
| 7/8            | 0.52          |
| 1              | 0.68          |
| 1 1/4          | 1.07          |
| 1 1/2          | 1.53          |
| 2              | 2.56          |



### THREADED ROD

| SIZE IN INCHES | LBS./LIN. FT. |
|----------------|---------------|
| 3/8-16 UNC     | 0.09          |
| 1/2-13 UNC     | 0.15          |
| 5/8-11 UNC     | 0.24          |
| 3/4-10 UNC     | 0.34          |
| 1/2 UNC        | 0.52          |

Threaded Rod available in 48" & 96" lengths.

### HEX NUTS

| SIZE IN INCHES | LBS./LIN. FT. |
|----------------|---------------|
| 3/8-16 UNC     | 0.02          |
| 1/2-13 UNC     | 0.02          |
| 5/8-11 UNC     | 0.04          |
| 3/4-10 UNC     | 0.07          |
| 1/2 UNC        | 0.13          |



### HANDRAIL CONNECTORS

| SIZE IN INCHES   | LBS./PIECE |
|------------------|------------|
| 1 1/4 90° fixed  | 0.87       |
| 1 1/2 90° fixed  | 1.32       |
| 1 1/4 adjustable | 0.87       |
| 1 1/2 adjustable | 1.32       |



### SQUARE BAR

| SIZE IN INCHES | LBS./LIN. FT. |
|----------------|---------------|
| 1 x 1          | 0.81          |
| 1 1/4 x 1 1/4  | 1.13          |
| 1 1/2 x 1 1/2  | 1.87          |
| 2 x 2          | 3.32          |



### TOE PLATE

| SIZE IN INCHES | LBS./LIN. FT. |
|----------------|---------------|
| 4 x 5/8 x 1/8  | 0.49          |



### LADDER RUNG

| SIZE IN INCHES | LBS./LIN. FT. |
|----------------|---------------|
| 1 1/4 x .16    | 0.50          |



### EMBEDMENT ANGLE

| SIZE IN INCHES      | LBS./LIN. FT. |
|---------------------|---------------|
| 1 x 1 1/2 x 1/4     | 0.95          |
| 1 1/2 x 1 1/2 x 1/4 | 1.07          |
| 2 x 1 1/2 x 1/4     | 1.15          |



### DOOR FRAME

| SIZE IN INCHES       | LBS./LIN. FT. |
|----------------------|---------------|
| 5 3/4 x 2 5/8 x 3/16 | 1.68          |



### THRESHOLD

| SIZE IN INCHES | LBS./LIN. FT. |
|----------------|---------------|
| 5 1/2 x 1/4    | 1.07          |



### SLUDGE FLIGHTS

| SIZE IN INCHES  | LBS./LIN. FT. |
|-----------------|---------------|
| 3 x 6 (ANGLE)   | 1.28          |
| 3 x 8 (ANGLE)   | 1.66          |
| 3 x 6 (CHANNEL) | 1.37          |
| 3 x 8 (CHANNEL) | 1.50          |



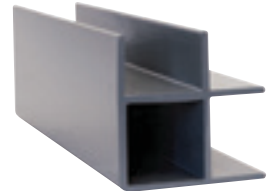
### DECK BOARD

| SIZE IN INCHES | LBS./LIN. FT. |
|----------------|---------------|
| 12 x 2 1/8     | 2.97          |
| 24 x 1 1/8     | 4.61          |
| 24 x 1 1/2     | 5.96          |



### BUILDING PANEL - 12"/24"

| SIZE IN INCHES      | LBS./LIN. FT. |
|---------------------|---------------|
| 12 x 1 25/32 x 3/32 | 2.67          |
| 24 x 2 1/2 x 1/4    | 13.31         |



### CORNER COLUMN

| SIZE IN INCHES      | LBS./LIN. FT. |
|---------------------|---------------|
| 7 3/4 x 7 3/4 x 3/8 | 8.81          |



### CENTER COLUMN

| SIZE IN INCHES       | LBS./LIN. FT. |
|----------------------|---------------|
| 7 3/4 x 10 3/4 x 3/8 | 10.68         |



### BOX BEAM - 16"

| SIZE IN INCHES | LBS./LIN. FT. |
|----------------|---------------|
| 16 x 4 x 3/8   | 11.41         |



## Fabricating With FRP

PROForms® and PROPlate® structural shapes are designed to provide superior mechanical properties and corrosion resistance. These products, combined with our PROGrid® and PROGrate® grating, are often used to fabricate structures such as stair/handrail assemblies, ladders, walkways and more. Our manufacturing headquarters includes a state-of-the-art fabrication facility, so we can cut, drill and assemble profiles to your specs or ship them ready to assemble in the field.

### Fastening

There are many ways to fasten FRP to FRP or FRP to other materials, including riveted, screwed, and bolt-and-nut connections. Bolts and threaded holes are also possible (bonding in place is recommended), as well as lag screws when fastening profiles to wood.

### Adhesives

Adhesives can also provide a very strong bond between two FRP shapes or between FRP and other structural materials. For best results, the mating surfaces must be properly prepared, and the recommended type of adhesive must be used. Adhesive should also be applied in a controlled environment, as air temperature and humidity can adversely affect the cure.

### FRP Preparation

Almost all fabrication methods currently used for wood, aluminum and steel are available for the fabrication of our FRP building materials. PROForm® and PROPlate® products can be sawed, drilled, routed, punched and turned using standard metalworking equipment. Shearing is only recommended on material 3/16" or thinner. Diamond-coated or carbide saw blades and bits are recommended, as well as properly sharpened tools for faster speeds and less wear on tools.

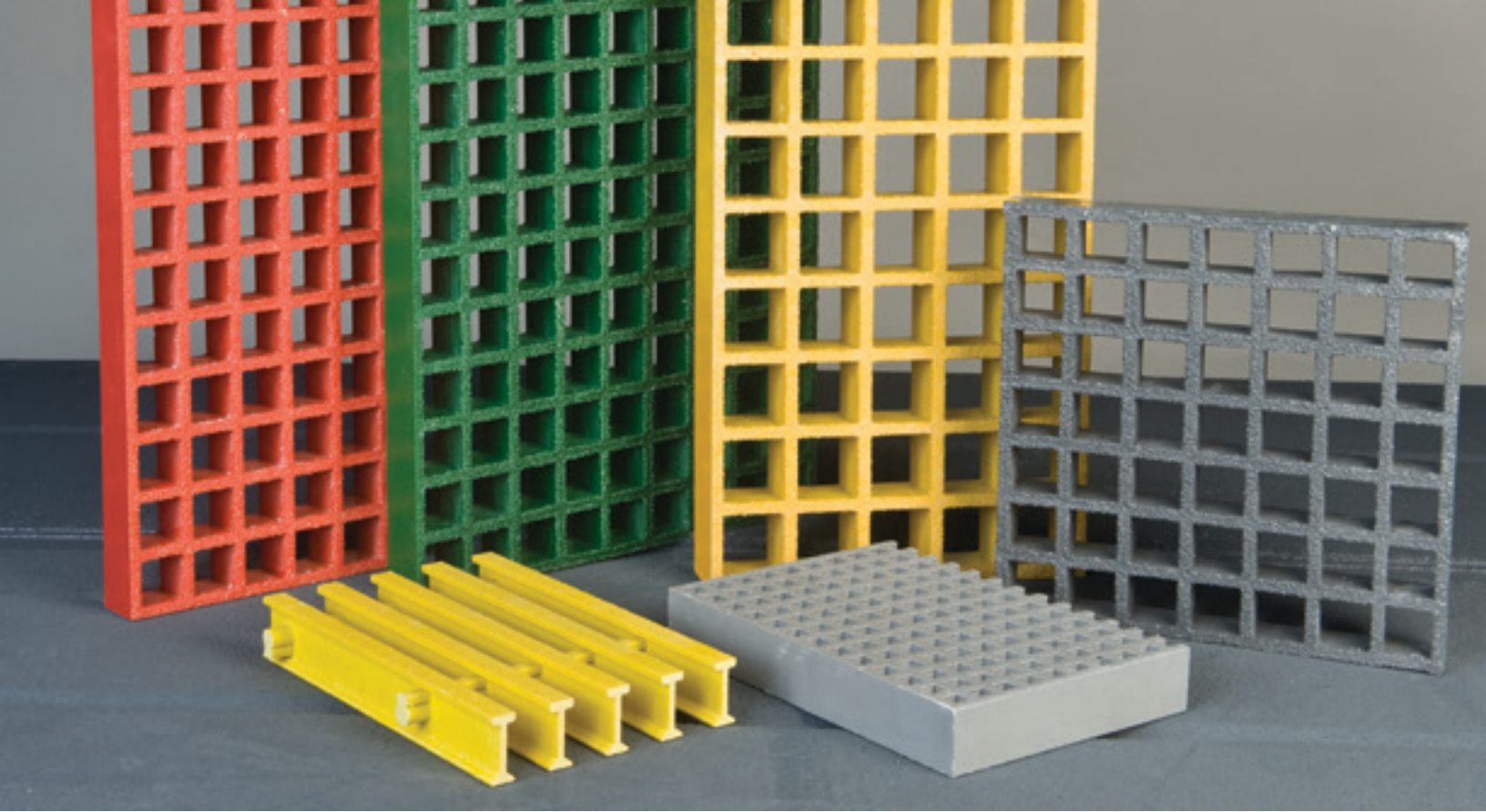
### Cutting Tips

When performing any cutting operation, use light, evenly applied pressure. Excessive pressure tends to clog the blade with dust particles, and this will shorten the life of the blade. Cutting speed is very important. Cutting too fast will fray the edge of the material and may cause it to turn black.









## WE ALSO OFFER FRP GRATING

PROGrid® molded FRP grating and PROGrate® pultruded FRP grating are also available in a wide range of sizes to fit your application. These products are ideal for stairways, platforms, walkways and many other applications and are the perfect complement to our PROForms® structural product line.

### PRODUCTS AVAILABLE

- PROGrid® molded grating
- PROGrate® pultruded grating
- Heavy duty pultruded grating
- High load capacity molded grating
- ADA, VGBA and food grade grating
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