



WDMA TECHNICAL INTERPRETATION 97-15

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PERTINENT SPECIFICATION: ANSI/AAMA/NWDA 101/I.S.-97, “Voluntary Specifications for Aluminum, Vinyl (PVC) and Wood Windows and Glass Doors”

SECTION(S) IN QUESTION: Section 2.1.4.2

INTERPRETATION REQUESTED: The request is in two parts:

1. When testing a sliding glass door for conformance to the uniform load structural test in ANSI/AAMA/NWDA 101/I.S.S-97, does the specimen adequately satisfy the requirements and intent of the overload pressure when the unit fails to stay on the track at the overload test pressure?
2. When testing a sliding glass door for conformance to the uniform load structural test in ANSI/AAMA/NWDA 101/I.S.2-97, does the specimen adequately satisfy the requirements and intent of the overload pressure when the sill trim section disengages?

INTERPRETATION MADE: The interpretation is in two parts:

1. When testing to the overload pressures in ANSI/AAMA/NWDA 101/I.S.2-97, the sliding glass door must remain on the track for the duration of the testing period.
2. When testing to the overload pressure in ANSI/AAMA/NWDA 101/I.S.2-97, the trim sections of the sliding glass door remain engaged for the duration of the testing period.

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