SECTION 12 3661.23
THINSCAPE™ PERFORMANCE TOPS

This Section specifies “Wilsonart® THINSCAPE™ Performance Tops”, produced by Wilsonart. THINSCAPE™ is a durable nonporous composite surface material, available in a variety of European-inspired on-trend designs for beautiful large-scale looks with unique finishes. This product is designed for interior horizontal applications ideally suited for single family, multifamily, commercial, hospitality, and retail projects. Common uses are kitchen countertops, bath vanities, laundry room worktops, and table tops. Wilsonart is the largest and most-recognized manufacturer of laminates in the United States with nationwide distribution and a substantial presence in the global marketplace.

Wilsonart THINSCAPE Performance Tops are highly resistant to stains, impervious to moisture, and do not require sealing. This product exhibits excellent performance for impact, abrasion, and scratch resistance. THINSCAPE slabs have attained GREENGUARD Gold Certification from UL Environment for low-chemical emissions into indoor air during product usage.

A unique design enhancement is the array of edge profile choices, including thumbnail, reverse-knife, and chamfered (“eased”) edges, as design solutions.

Visit Wilsonart at www.wilsonart.com for further information. Also, Wilsonart’s Fabricator University has produced an informative installation video available for viewing on YouTube at the following hyperlink: https://youtu.be/unMS-cuXSno. Alternatively, type “THINSCAPE” in the search box.

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PART 1 - GENERAL

1.01 SECTION INCLUDES

A. THINSCAPE™ Performance Tops.

B. Adhesives and sealants.

1.02 RELATED REQUIREMENTS

EDITING NOTE: Section listings below are common references for related work and based on the broadly accepted CSI MasterFormat® for Section numbers and titles. Revise to suit requirements for the particular project.

A. Section 01 3300 - Submittal Procedures.

B. Section 01 7800 - Closeout Submittals.

C. Section 06 1000 - Rough Carpentry.

D. Section 06 6116 - Solid Surfacing Fabrications.

E. Section 07 9200 - Joint Sealants.
F. Section 12 3623 - Plastic-Laminate-Clad Countertops.

G. Section 12 3661 - Solid Surfacing Countertops.

H. Section 12 3661.19 - Quartz Surfacing Countertops.

I. Section 22 4116 - Residential Lavatories and Sinks.

1.03 REFERENCES

A. Reference Standards:


1.04 SUBMITTALS

A. Submit under provisions of Section 01 3000 - Submittals.

B. Product Data:

1. Submit product data for each specified product. Include manufacturer’s technical data sheets and published instruction instructions.
2. Submit Safety Data Sheets (SDS) for adhesives and sealants.

C. Shop Drawings:

1. Submit fully dimensioned shop drawings showing layouts, joinery, edge conditions, terminations, substrate construction, cutouts and holes. Show plumbing installation provisions. Include elevations, section details, and large scale details.

D. Samples:

1. Submit selection and verification samples for each color, pattern, and finish required.

E. Quality Assurance Submittals:

1. Test Reports: Submit certified test reports showing compliance with specified performance characteristics and physical properties, if required.
2. Warranty: Specimen copy of specified warranty.
F. Closeout Submittals:
   1. Maintenance Data: Submit manufacturer’s published maintenance manual with closeout submittals.

1.05 REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS
   A. Accessibility Requirements: Comply with the U.S. Architectural & Transportation Barriers Compliance Board ADA-ABA Accessibility Guidelines for Buildings and Facilities.

1.06 QUALITY ASSURANCE
   A. Qualifications:
      1. Installer Qualifications: Minimum of five years documented installation experience for projects similar in scope and complexity to this Project, and currently certified by the manufacturer as an acceptable installer.
   B. Mock-Ups:
      EDITING NOTE: Revise mock-up size and location to suit Project requirements.
      1. Install at Project using acceptable products and manufacturer approved installation methods. Obtain Architect’s acceptance of color, pattern, finish, fabrication, and installation standards.
      2. Mock-Up Size: [____________] by [____________].
      4. Mock-Up Location: [Indicated on Drawings] [As directed by Architect].
      5. Maintain mock-up during construction for fabrication and installation comparison. If required, remove and legally dispose of mock-up when no longer required.
      6. Incorporation: If permitted by Architect, mock-up may be incorporated into as part of the completed Work.

1.07 DELIVERY, STORAGE, AND HANDLING
   A. Delivery and Handling: Comply with manufacturer’s recommendations for shipping and handling THINSCAPE™ Performance Tops to preclude breakage or damage. Lift slabs individually to avoid scratching. Do not permit surfacing slab decorative surfaces from sliding against one another. For handling, a suitable gripping device, such as a suction pad, is acceptable.

   Storage and Protection: Store THINSCAPE Performance Tops and related materials protected from exposure to harmful weather conditions, at temperature and humidity conditions recommended by manufacturer. Keep slabs wrapped inside the original packaging (plastic lining) until time of installation. Store surfacing slabs on flat rigid pallets at least the same sizes as the slabs to avoid sliding and unstable positioning; 24 inch maximum spacing between supporting boards. Place adequately sized protective paper between the pallet and slabs and on the top slab.

1.08 PROJECT CONDITIONS
   A. Field Measurements: Verify actual measurements and openings by field measurements before fabrication; show recorded measurements on shop drawings. Coordinate field measurements and fabrication schedule with construction progress to avoid construction delays.
1.09 WARRANTY

A. Manufacturer’s Limited Warranty: Provide manufacturer’s standard one-year Limited Warranty against manufacturing defects in THINSCAPE™ Performance Tops.

PART 2 - PRODUCTS

WILSONART CONTACT INFORMATION: Wilsonart, 2501 Wilsonart Drive, Temple, TX 76503-6110. Tel. 254.207.7000, Toll-Free 800.433.3222, Fax 254.207.3209. Website: www.wilsonart.com

2.01 MANUFACTURER

A. Basis of Design: Wilsonart.

EDITING NOTE: Refer to the Products tab on the Wilsonart website for complete information on THINSCAPE™ Performance Tops.

2.02 THINSCAPE™ PERFORMANCE TOPS

A. Acceptable Product: “Wilsonart® THINSCAPE™ Performance Tops.”

B. Composition: A composite material, fabricated from papers and resins.

C. Material Thickness: 1/2 inch, nominal.

EDITING NOTE: THINSCAPE™ slabs are available the following sizes: 30 inches by 10 feet, 30 inches by 12 feet, 5 feet by 10 feet, and 5 feet by 12 feet.

D. Slab Dimensions: [_____] inches wide by [_____] inches deep] [Indicated on Drawings] [Specified in SCHEDULE Article of this Section].

E. Conformance Standards:

1. UL 2818: GREENGUARD Gold - Emission levels are applicable for building materials, finishes, and furnishings.

F. Physical Characteristics:

1. Modulus of Elasticity: Minimum 12,000 Mpa; ASTM D 790.
2. Flexural Strength: Minimum 180 Mpa (MD) and 130 (CD); ASTM D 790.
3. Tensile Strength: Minimum 140 Mpa (MD) and 100 (CD); ASTM D 638.
4. Density: Minimum 1.40 g/cm²; ASTM C 792.
5. Surface Burning Characteristics: Class 2/B; ASTM E 84.
7. Impact Resistance, Large Diameter Ball: 0.500 inch; ISO 4586.

EDITING NOTE: Select color, pattern, and finish designs from one of the following options. Wilsonart offers design choices in a variety of surface material looks, such as large-scale stone, quartz, planked wood, and aged metal. Sheen ranges from ultra-matte to semi-gloss dependent on product section.
H. Color, Pattern, and Finish: Specified in SCHEDULE Article of this Section.
I. Color, Pattern, and Finish: Indicated on Drawings.

EDITING NOTE: Select edge detail from one of the following options.

J. Edge Detail: [Thumbnail] [Reverse-Knife] [Chamfer].
K. Edge Detail: Specified in SCHEDULE Article of this Section.
L. Edge Detail: Indicated on Drawings.
M. Edge Detail: Selected from manufacturer’s standard offerings.

2.03 ACCESSORY MATERIALS

A. Joint Adhesive: Two-part acrylic epoxy adhesive for bonding THINSCAPE™ Performance Tops seams.
B. Elastomeric Sealant: 100 percent silicone sealant for securing slabs to installation substrates and filling gaps between slabs and terminating substrates; in wet environment applications use mildew-resistant product. Complies with ASTM C 920, Type S (single component), and Grade NS (nonsag).
C. Slab Overhang Supports: As recommended by slab manufacturer for particular installation condition.

2.04 FABRICATION

A. General: Fabricate components in shop, to greatest extent practicable, in sizes, shapes, and edge profiles indicated according to approved shop drawings and Wilsonart® THINSCAPE™ Performance Tops Fabrication Manual.
B. Form joint seams between surfacing components with specified seam adhesive. Completed joints without voids. Provide joint reinforcement (biscuit slots and biscuits) for mitered corner conditions.
C. Provide holes and cutouts for plumbing fixtures and accessories indicated on approved shop drawings. Rout cutouts and finish edges smooth.
D. Use only saws, routers, and sanders as recommended by slab manufacturer. For sanding/finishing, use a random orbital sander and proper grit; only sand at radius profiles, not decorative faces.

PART 3 - EXECUTION

3.01 EXAMINATION

A. Examine substrates and conditions that could adversely affect the work of this Section.
B. Substrates must be sound, flat, smooth, and free from dust or other surface contaminants.

C. Commencement of work will constitute acceptance of substrates and conditions to receive the work.

3.02 INSTALLATION

A. General: Install Wilsonart® THINSCAPE™ Performance Tops assemblies plumb, level, and true according to approved shop drawings and slab manufacturer’s published installation instructions. Use only saws, routers, and sanders as recommended by manufacturer. For sanding/finishing, use a random orbital sander and proper grit; only sand at radius profiles, not decorative faces.

1. Fasten THINSCAPE™ Performance Tops to base cabinets or other supporting substrates with the specified sealant; mechanical fasteners are not acceptable.

2. Cutouts: For top mount or underside mount sinks, make final cuts with router. For appliance cutouts, use router only; install Wilsonart® Heat Tape as recommended by manufacturer.

3. Slab Edge Detail: Form required edge profile(s) and sand smooth.

B. Joint Seams: Clean seam surfaces with denatured alcohol. Install biscuit slots and biscuits for mitered corners if required. Provide 1/32 inch seam gap, install protective clearing masking tape or film on slab surfaces adjoining seams, and apply specified seam adhesive. Seams to be inconspicuous in completed work. Seams in locations shown on approved shop drawings and acceptable to manufacturer.

1. After seam adhesive is applied, join seam surfaces together and clamp slab surfaces in position until adhesive sets. Promptly remove excess adhesive and clean surfaces with denatured alcohol.

2. For mitered corners, cut seam surfaces with biscuit cutter and install biscuits prior to seam adhesive application. Maintain minimum three inch clearance between biscuit slots and slab front and back edges.

C. Fill gaps between slabs and terminating substrates with specified silicone sealant.

3.03 REPAIRS

A. Remove and replace THINSCAPE™ Performance Tops that are damaged and cannot be satisfactorily repaired.

3.04 CLEANING AND PROTECTION

A. Clean THINSCAPE™ Performance Tops according to manufacturer’s published maintenance instructions with cleaners acceptable to manufacturer. Completely remove excess adhesives and sealants from finished surfaces.

B. Protect completed work from damage during remainder of construction period.

3.05 SCHEDULE

EDITING NOTE: Schedule for THINSCAPE™ Performance Tops may be inserted here if not indicated on Drawings or in Finish Schedule.

END OF SECTION 12 3661.23