

Quality Notes

Air Barrier - 03

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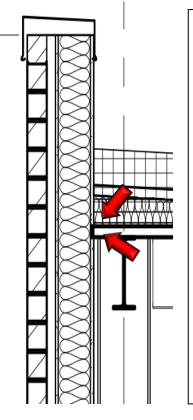
As of July 1, 2019 – Illinois Law requires the use of the 2018 IECC Energy Code, with a few amendments.

One such amendment is:

<u>C402.5.1.1(3) Air barrier construction</u> - Paths for air leakage from the building to the space between the roof deck and roof covering used as an air barrier, shall be caulked, gasketed or otherwise covered with at least a moisture vapor-permeable material.



What this will now require on all Illinois buildings (heated) is that we need to close off the roof from the building, something that we have been suggesting over the past several years, is now a LAW.



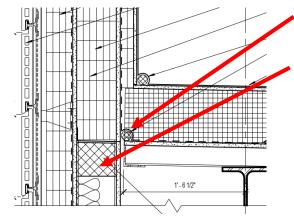
- We could try and seal from the underside, but this is difficult due to structural obstacles.
- 2. We could add a vapor barrier that gets sealed (which requires a sealant joint at the termination) to the inside parapet wall
- 3. We could add

 SPF at the inside

 corner at the roof

 insulation and

 the metal deck



Detail showing proper seal at the roof deck

Detail showing proper seal at the interior of parapet wall (when the CFMF is a curtainwall) – not required, but recommended

Make sure that we scope in this added work, which is likely not in the drawings or specifications.

Please contact the Quality Department for further discussion/verification of the detailing on YOUR building.

