

**SECTION 09120– CEILING SUSPENSION
CONSTRUCTION STANDARD**

PART 1: GENERAL

1.01 Scope of Standard

- A. This standard provides general guidance concerning the specific preferences of the University of Texas at Austin for exposed or concealed grid systems for suspension of gypsum board, acoustical tile, metal panels, and other ceiling finish materials.
- B. UT recognizes that project conditions and requirements vary, thus precluding the absolute adherence to the items identified herein in all cases. However, unless there is adequate written justification, it is expected that these guidelines will govern the design and specifications for UT projects.

1.02 Quality Control

- A. Concealed grid systems: In no instance will this system be acceptable.
- B. Gyp. Bd. Ceiling systems: Where there is a need for access above the ceiling, items to be accessed should be “grouped” as much as possible so that quantity of access doors are minimum. It is preferred by UT-Austin campus that use of this type ceiling system be minimal, and used only at areas where security or privacy are of concern or is required for fire separation required by code.
- C. Asbestos: In no instance will any product containing asbestos be acceptable for use.

1.03 General Requirements

- A. Exposed grid lay-in tile system: This system shall be utilized as the UT-Austin campus preferred system. Grid and tile system size shall be 2’ x2’ only.
- B. Plaster ceiling system: It is preferred to avoid use of this type system on the UT-Austin campus.

PART 2: PRODUCTS – NOT USED

PART 3: EXECUTION - NOT USED

END OF STANDARD 09120