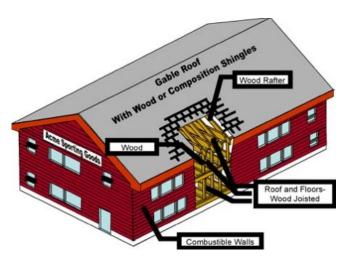
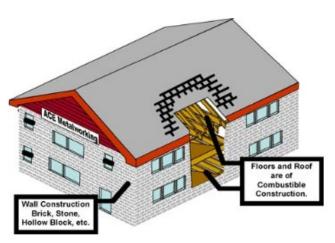
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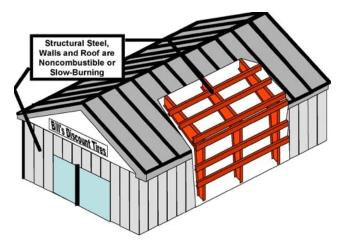




Frame: Exterior walls are constructed of wood or other combustible materials, includes construction where combustible materials are combined with other materials, such as brick veneer, stone veneer, woodiron clad, or stucco on wood.

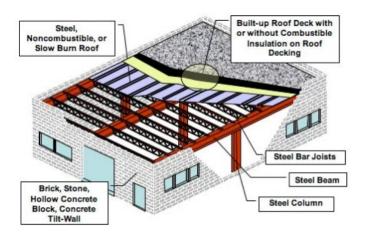


Joisted Masonry: Exterior walls are constructed of masonry materials such as adobe, brick, concrete, gypsum block, hollow concrete block, stone, tile or similar material and the floors and roof are combustible.

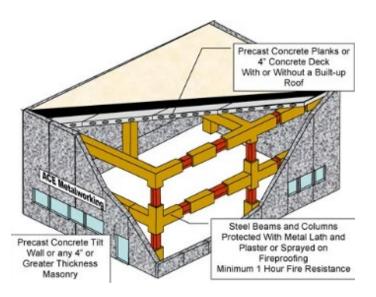


Non-Combustible: Exterior walls, floors, and roof are constructed of and supported by metal, gypsum or non-combustible materials.

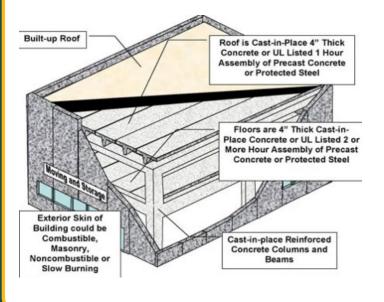
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Masonry Non-Combustible: Exterior walls are constructed of masonry materials such as adobe, concrete, concrete block, stone, tile or other similar materials. The roof and floors are constructed of non-combustible materials.



Modified Fire Resistive: Exterior walls, floor, and roof are constructed of noncombustible materials with a fire resistive rating of not less than one hour. The resistance may be part of the construction technique (reinforced or prestressed concrete) or obtained by application of sprayed-fiber fire proofing over all structural-steel members.



Fire Resistive: Structural floors and roof, and their supports are of materials such as precast or poured-in-place reinforced concrete, with a fire resistive rating of not less than two hours. Fire resistance may also be obtained by the application of a fire retardant coating over all structural-steel members.