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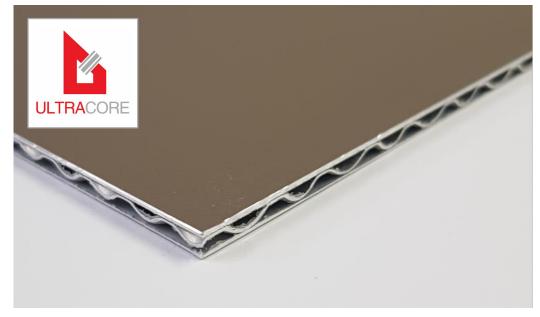


### **ULTRACORE vs SOLID Aluminium**

Fire Performance | Thermal Performance | Water-proofing An Impartial Overview based on Logic, Testing and Evidence

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## ULTRACORE & SOLID panels are both 'DTS' non-combustible – firstly lets take a look how.





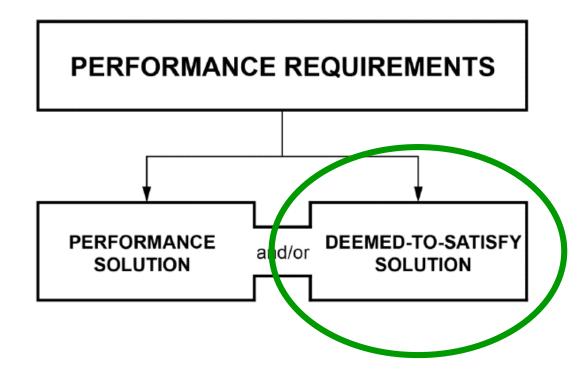


Solid Aluminium Panel



### Deemed-to-Satisfy Compliance in NCC 2019

- Deemed-to-Satisfy Solution (Clause C1.9)
- 2. Performance Solution (CV3 Verification Method)





### Test Certificates used to Confirm C1.9 Compliance

- AS 1530.1
- AS 1530.3
- NATA Accredited
- AS 1530.2 for Sarking







### Certificate of Test Quote No.: NK7601 REPORT No.: FNC11679 COMBUSTIBILITY TEST FOR MATERIALS IN ACCORDANCE WITH AS 1530.1-1994 TRADE NAME SPONSOR: Blue Chin Group 62 Division Street Welshpool WA ΔΗ ΙΤΡΑΙΙΑ TEST SAMPLE: The sponsor described the tested specimen as the corrugated profiled aluminium core of the Ultracore G2 aluminium composite sandwich panel 0.3-mm to 0.5-mm 4 kg/m2 (measured); 4.564 kg/m2 (specified by sponsor) TEST PROCEDURE: Five (5) samples were tested in accordance with Australian Standard 1530 Methods for fire tests on building materials, components and structures, Part 1- 1994: Combustibility Test for Materials. An alternative suitable insulating material was used to fill the annular space between the furnace tubes, as specified in Clause 4.2 of ISO 1182:2010. Mean furnace thermocouple temperature rise... Mean specimen centre thermocouple temperature rise .. ...14.2°C Mean specimen surface thermocouple temperature rise Mean duration of sustained flaming .. 0 seconds DESIGNATION: The material is NOT deemed COMBUSTIBLE according to the test criteria specified in These test results relate only to the behaviour of the test specimens of the material under the particular conditions of the test and they are not intended to be the sole criterion for assessing the potential fire hazard of the material in use DATE OF TEST: 3 September 2015 TEST NUMBER: 11476 Issued on the 4th day of April 2016 without alterations or additions. Team Leader. Fire Testing and Assessments NATA Accredited Laboratory Corporate Site No 3625 Accredited for compliance with ISO/IEC 17025. 14 Julius Avenue, Riverside Corporate Park, North Ryde NSW 2113 AUSTRALIA Telephone: 61 2 9490 5444 Facsimile: 61 2 9490 5555 www.csiro.au

### **Certificate of Test**

Ouote No.: N77601 REPORT No.: FNE11680 AS/NZS 1530.3:1999 SIMULTANEOUS DETERMINATION OF IGNITABILITY, FLAME PROPAGATION,

HEAT RELEASE AND SMOKE RELEASE

SPONSOR: Blue Chin Group

> 62 Division Stree Welshpool WA

DESCRIPTION OF

The sponsor described the tested specimen as an aluminium composite sandwich decorative panel comprised

Layer 1: 0.7-mm thick aluminium face finished with 30-µm thick surface finish;

0.3-mm thick corrugated profiled aluminium core, expanded to 2.6-mm Laver 4: 0.1-mm thick adhesive film:

Layer 5: 0.5-mm thick aluminium face finished with 10-um thick surface finish.

The layers were adhered together using an adhesive film glue at an application rate of 96 g/m<sup>2</sup>. Nominal total thickness: 4 mm

Nominal total mass: 3.7 kg/m2 (measured); 4.564 kg/m2 (specified by sponsor

Colour: silver (exposed face coating)

Six samples were tested in accordance with Australian Standard 1530, Method for fire tests on building components and structures, Part 3: Simultaneous determination of ignitability, flame propagation, heat release

and smoke release. 1999. For the test, each sample was clamped to the specimen holder in four places

The following means and standard errors were obtained

Standard Erro N/A N/A N/A Heat Release Integral (kJ/m²)

For regulatory purposes these figures correspond to the following indices

Heat Evolved (0-10) (0-10) (0-10) (0-20)

The results of this fire test may be used to directly assess fire hazard, but it should be recognised that a single test method will not provide a full assessment of fire hazard under all fire conditions.

12 August 2015

Issued on the 4<sup>th</sup> day of April 2016 without alterations or additions

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Team Leader, Fire Testing and Assessments

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### ULTRACORE is DTS compliant as per C1.9(e)(vii)

- (e) The following materials may be used wherever a non-combustible material is required:
  - Plasterboard.
  - (ii) Perforated gypsum lath with a normal paper finish.
  - (iii) Fibrous-plaster sheet.
  - (iv) Fibre-reinforced cement sheeting.
  - (v) Pre-finished metal sheeting having a combustible surface finish not exceeding 1 mm thickness and where the Spread-of-Flame Index of the product is not greater than 0.
  - (vi) Sarking-type materials that do not exceed 1 mm in thickness and have a Flammability Index not greater than 5.
  - (vii) Bonded laminated materials where-
    - (A) each lamina, including any core, is non-combustible; and
    - (B) each adhesive layer does not exceed 1 mm in thickness and the total thickness of the adhesive layers does not exceed 2 mm; and
    - (C) the Spread-of-Flame Index and the Smoke-Developed Index of the bonded laminated material as a whole do not exceed 0 and 3 respectively.

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## AS 1530.1 Test for Material Combustibility is Required for DTS Compliance with C1.9(e)(vii)(A)

- AS 1530.1
- Combustibility test
- Each lamina must PASS
- Including the core











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### **Aluminium Core Panel**

ULTRACORE Aluminium Core Panel has been tested to AS 1530.1 by NATA accredited CSIRO and the laminas did not flame or increase the temperature by more than 50°C = PASS.

Accordingly, the ULTRACORE laminas, including the core, were not deemed COMBUSTIBLE as per criteria (A), the first of the criteria for a bonded laminated material to be DTS non-combustible as per C1.9(e)(vii).



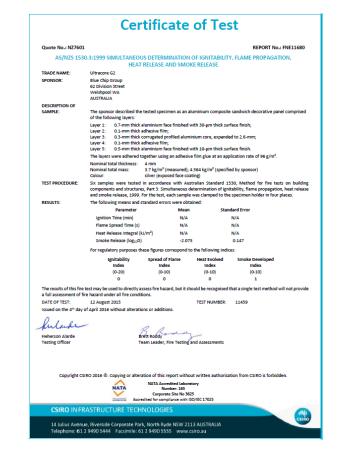


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## NATA Assessment to Confirm Adhesive Thickness as per C1.9(e)(vii)(B) is Recommended

- NATA Assessment
- To confirm glue thickness
- Max. 1mm per layer
- Max. 2mm total







ULTRACORE Aluminium Core Panel has the glue applied as <u>0.1mm dry-film</u> layers so there is no way it can be thicker than stated. It is 10% (1/10<sup>th</sup>) of the NCC 2019 allowance.

### Certificate of Test

Quote No.: NZ7601

REPORT No - ENETIESO

AS/NZS 1530.3:1999 SIMULTANEOUS DETERMINATION OF IGNITABILITY, FLAME PROPAGATION

TRADE NAME SPONSOR: Ultracore G2 Blue Chip Group

62 Division Street Welshpool WA AUSTRALIA

DESCRIPTION OF SAMPLE:

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**ULTRACORE** 

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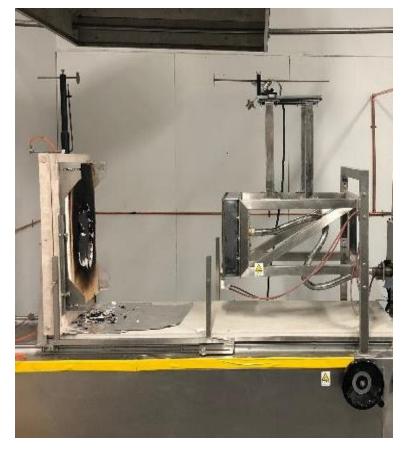
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## AS 1530.3 Test for Fire Hazard Properties is Required for DTS Compliance with C1.9(e)(vii)(C)

- AS 1530.3
- Fire Hazard Properties
- O for Spread-of-Flame
- 3 for Smoke-Developed







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### **ULTRACORE - AS 1530.3 Test**

As per the requirements of NCC 2019, this test involves the bonded laminate material as a <u>whole</u> being tested to AS 1530.3. Finished samples are mounted vertically in front of a radiant heat source to simultaneously determine;



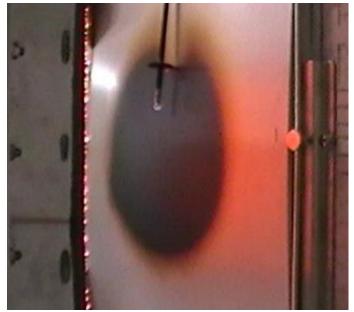
- Spread-of-Flame Index = 0
- Heat Evolved Index = 0
- Smoke-Developed Index = 1





Ignitability Index	Spread of Flame Index	Heat Evolved Index	Smoke Developed Index
(0-20)	(0-10)	(0-10)	(0-10)
0	0	0	1





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## ULTRACORE Results Table as per C1.9(e)(vii)

### **ULTRACORE Non-combustible Aluminium Core Panel**

TEST	RESULT		
AS 1530.1*	Not deemed COMBUSTIBLE		
NATA Assessment**	Adhesive per Layer	0.1mm	
	Total Adhesive	0.2mm	
AS 1530.3***	Spread-of-Flame	0	
	Smoke-Developed	1	

<sup>\*</sup>Refer CSIRO AS 1530.1 Certificate #: FNC11679

<sup>\*\*\*</sup>Refer CSIRO AS 1530.3 Certificate #: FNE11680









<sup>\*\*</sup>Refer CSIRO Assessment Number #: FCO-3188

## SOLID is DTS compliant as per C1.9(e)(v)

- (e) The following materials may be used wherever a non-combustible material is required:
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## SOLID Aluminium Results as per C1.9(e)(v)

### Non-combustible Solid Aluminium Panel

TEST	RESULT		
NCC 2019 C1.9(e)(v)	Deemed-to-Satisfy Non-combustible		
AS 1530.1*	Not deemed COMBUSTIBLE		
Paint Thickness	Less than 1mm	<0.05mm	
AS 1530.3**	Spread-of-Flame	0	
	Smoke-Developed	1	

<sup>\*</sup>Refer CSIRO AS 1530.1 Certificate #: FNC12287





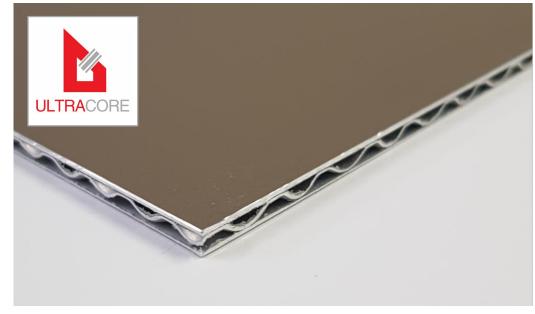




<sup>\*\*</sup>Refer AWTA AS 1530.3 Certificate #: 18-004772

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## Now we know that both products are 'DTS' non-combustible, how else do they compare?







Solid Aluminium Panel

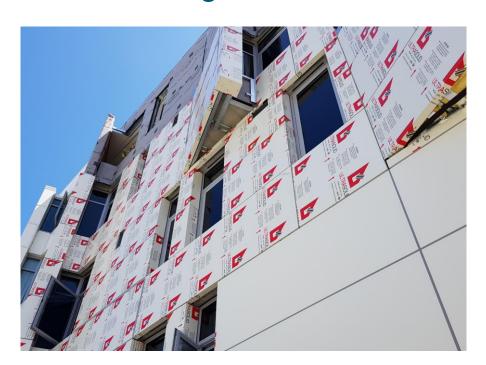


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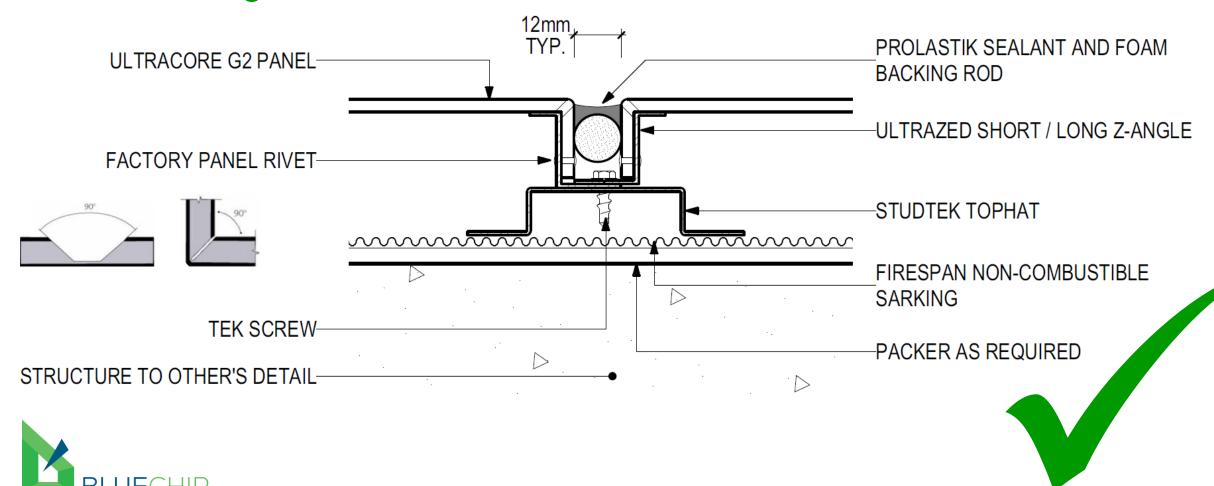
## Both offer the same general benefits.....

- Both products are DTS compliant for all buildings
- Excellent system for waterproofing with no practical alternatives in some applications
- Versatile colours, shapes and sizes
- > 30+ years life expectancy with low maintenance (PVDF Coil Coating)
- Wrapped corners, parapets and facias
- Concealed fixing system
- Excellent corrosion resistance
- Excellent structural strength and crack resistance
- > High rigidity to weight ratio, excellent flatness
- Established skilled installer network
- Same day cut-to-size for tight schedules





Mechanical V-groove Cassette-fix System (Route & Return)



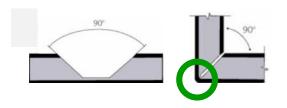
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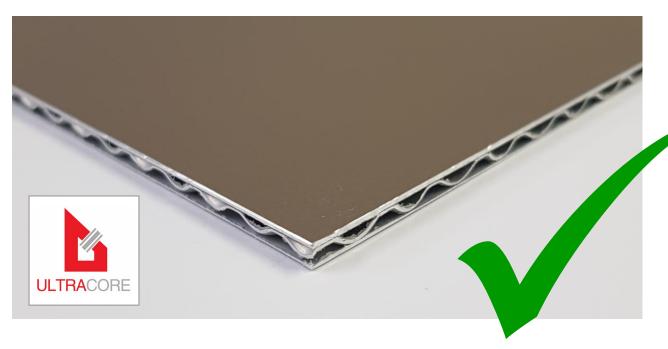
### **ULTRACORE Aluminium Core Panel**



- DTS compliant for types A, B & C construction
- Category D insurance rating (lowest risk)
- > All waste and cladding materials is 100% recyclable (NO landfill)
- 4kg/m2 total panel weight
- Low debris quantity
- Low thermal conductivity
- Fast to fabricate
- No risk of score-fractures during v-grooving



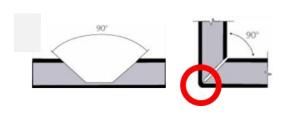




## **SOLID Aluminium Panel in Comparison**

- > DTS compliant for types A, B & C construction
- Category D insurance rating (lowest risk)
- All waste and cladding materials is 100% recyclable
- 8kg/m2 total panel weight
- High debris quantity
- High thermal conductivity
- Slow to fabricate (\$\$\$)
- High risk of score-fractures during v-grooving









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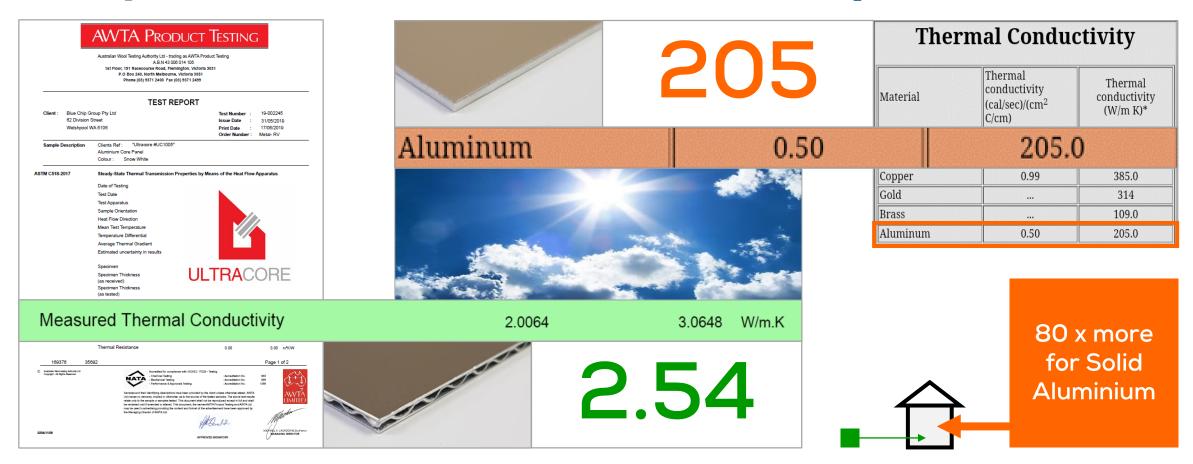
## Comparison of Full-scale Testing Performance

AS 5113 TEST CRITERIA	ULTRACORE	SOLID ALUMINIUM	COMPARISON
5.4.5(a) Tw5m	483°C (Pass)	Exceeds 600°C (Fail)	SOLID Fails
5.4.5(b) Tcavity5m	152°C (Pass)	Exceeds 250°C (Fail)	SOLID Fails
5.4.5(b) Tinsulation5m	47°C (Pass)	Exceeds 250°C (Fail)	SOLID Fails
5.4.5(c) Tunexposedside0.9m	No Failure (Pass)	Exceeds 180°C (Fail)	SOLID Fails
5.4.5(d) Flaming	No Flaming (Pass)	No Flaming (Pass)	Equivalent (both pass)
5.4.5(d) Openings	No Openings (Pass)	No Openings (Pass)	Equivalent (both pass)
5.4.5(e) Spread	No Spread (Pass)	No Spread (Pass)	Equivalent (both pass)
5.4.5(f) Debris Flaming	Flaming Debris (Fail)	Flaming Debris (Fail)	Any Test with Sealant Fails This
5.4.5(g) Debris Mass	15.5kg (Fail)	46.4kg (Fail)	SOLID has 3 x more Debris



"While neither product requires this for compliance, ULTRACORE panel performs much better in full-scale testing"

## Comparison of Thermal Conductivity (W/mK)





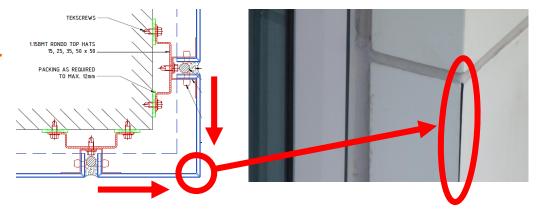
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## Comparison of V-grooved Corner Durability

<ul> <li>90° V-GROOVED FOLD TEST</li> <li>0.8mm (+/-0.1mm) left at base</li> <li>Result is no. of folds to failure</li> <li>Averaged over 150 samples</li> <li>Includes all common alloys</li> </ul>	ULTRACORE	SOLID ALUMINIUM	COMPARISON
90° with 2.5mm Flat	9.85 Folds	5.90 Folds	ULTRACORE is 67% more durable
90° with 2.5mm Radius (Don't Use)	5.80 Folds	3.81 Folds	ULTRACORE is 52% more durable
90° with 3.5mm Flat	9.25 Folds	7.08 Folds	ULTRACORE is 31% more durable

### Things to consider when using solid aluminium:

- Large expansion / contraction will be a factor
- It is difficult to monitor v-groove depth
- Strictly experienced CNC fabrication only
- Limit distance to joints for corners panels





"ULTRACORE panel is much less likely to crack on the corners due to no scoring and less thermal movement"

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## Comparison of Waterproofing Performance

### Aluminium Core Panels – Proven System

This is because they have low thermal conductivity, similar to ACP's with millions of M2 installed globally over 40 years.

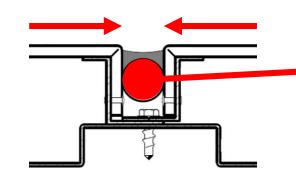
### Solid Aluminium - Not so Proven

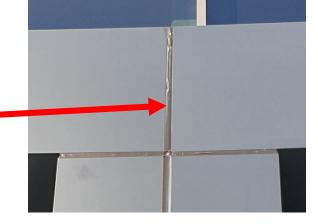
There is concern that the high expansion & contraction will result in future waterproofing issues due to sealant failure.



**Solution**: Reduce maximum panel sizes for Solid Aluminium.

"Decades of use prove that ULTRACORE panels will work with the cassette-fix system"





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## Comparison of Oil Canning Resistance

There is a reason why globally we moved away from solid aluminium to bonded laminates 40 years ago – they evenly distribute tension through the panel to prevent oil canning:

The mechanical properties of ULTRACORE panel evenly distribute tension across the panels to greatly reduce oil canning



Oil canning is the visible waviness caused by uneven distribution of tension in a solid sheet material.



**Solution**: Increase number of stiffeners for Solid Aluminium.



"Bonded laminated materials evenly distribute tension through the panel to prevent oil canning"

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### **ULTRACORE** Benefits vs SOLID Aluminium

- All the benefits of other panels excluding rolling tighter than 2m radius\*
- AS 5113 testing to prove 'real-world' fire safety NO fire spread
- > 80 x lower thermal conductivity for greater fire safety and section J compliance\*\*
- 1/3 the amount of debris in a fire scenario\*\*
- Tried & tested durability on v-grooved corners\*\*
- Less stress on sealant for long-term waterproofing\*\*
- Much greater resistance to oil canning\*\*
- Much faster to fabricate = cost savings\*\*
- > 50% less weight for structural & labour savings\*\*
- 50% less carbon footprint\*\*
- ICA category D insurance rating (lowest risk)



\*It can still be rolled tight by routing out the core as shown

\*\*Compared to Solid Aluminium panels



CONCLUSION: While we can supply all options including both DTS aluminium panels and a steel-skin panel called ULTRASKIN, all the available testing & real-world evidence clearly shows that ULTRACORE panel offers the best outcomes across almost all key considerations.



**ULTRACORE** 



Solid Aluminium Panel



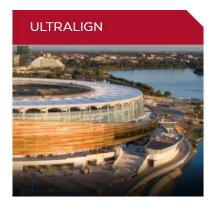
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## Which BLUECHIP Products are DTS Compliant?









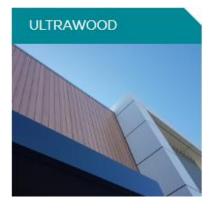








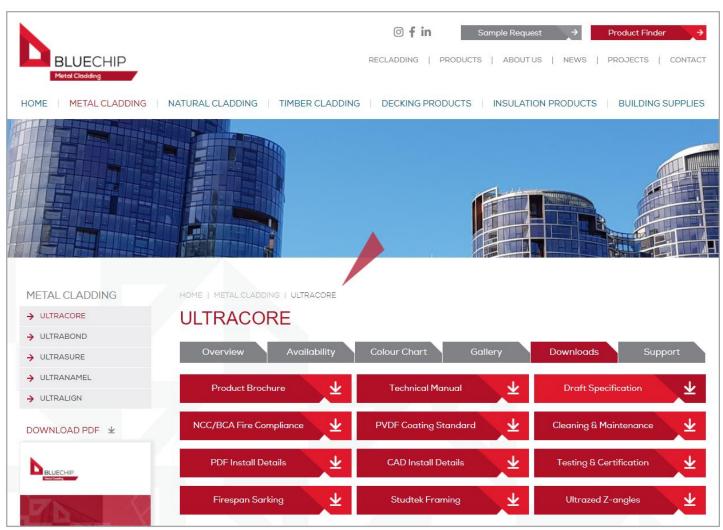






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## How do I Specify Fully Compliant DTS Systems?





### SPECIFICATION TEMPLATE

ULTRACORE Non-combustible Aluminium Core Panel

### 1. SCOPE OF WORK

The scope of work includes the design, supply, fabrication and installation of ULTRACORE noncombustible aluminum core panel, complete with all necessary sub-structures, anchors, hardware and fittings to provide a total installation and cladding system from the structure out.

### 2. MATERIAL AND FINISHES

### Cladding Material

Aluminium cladding material shall be supplied by Blue Chip Group Pty Ltd (Ph: 08 9451 2344) comprising of a 4mm thick aluminium core panel with 0.7mm face skin and 0.5mm rear skins of aluminium sandwiching a non-combustible 2.6mm aluminium core.

ULTRACORE; 4mm, with minimum 3003 H24 aluminium alloy skins.

\*\*NO ALTERNATIVE MATERIALS WILL BE ACCEPTED FOR THIS PROJECT\*\*

### Colour Selection

Refer to exterior finishes schedule.

(Select colour code/s from the Finishes tab at the below link)

http://www.bluechipgroup.net.au/facade-cladding-perth/non-combustible-cladding-perth

### ire Properties

Manufactured by Blue Chip Group Pty Ltd; ULTRACORE is a DTS Non-Combustible product in accordance with NCC 2019 clause C1.9(e)(vii) when tested to AS1530.1 and AS1530.3.

ULTRACORE Aluminium Core Panel			
TEST STANDARD	RESULT		
NCC C1.9(e)(vii)	PASS (Deemed Non-combustible)		
AS1530.1	PASS (Deemed Non-combustible)		
AS1530.3	PASS	Ignitability Index	0
	PASS	Heat Evolved	0
	PASS	Spread of Flame	0
	PASS	Smoke Developed	0-1

### Applied Finish:

The external panel surface shall be factory prefinished by the manufacturer with a Fluoropolymer coating of either PVDF or FEVE or combination of both applied through a continuous coil coating process. The coated surface shall meet or exceed the minimum requirements of: AAMA 2605-11 "Voluntary Specifications, Performance Requirements and Test Procedures for Superior Performing Organic Coatings on Aluminium Extrusions and Panels" or EN13523 "Coil Coated Metals – Test Methods" Application of the Fluoropolymer coating system by means of spray coating before or after forming and shaping of the cladding elements shall not be permitted.

### Protective Peel Off Foil:

The finished surface shall be factory protected with a self-adhesive UV stabilised peel-off foil to protect the applied finish during fabrication, delivery and installation processes and shall not be removed until panels have been installed.

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