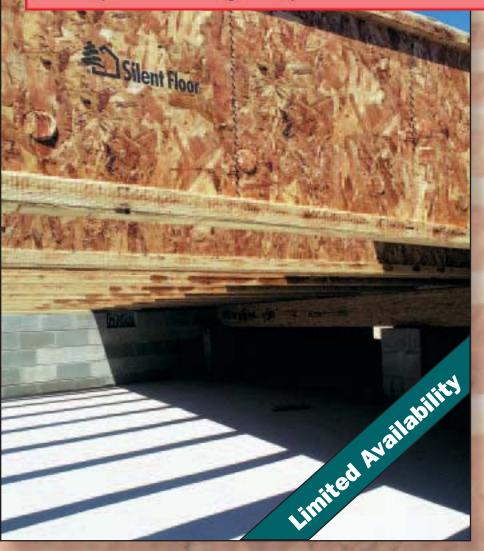


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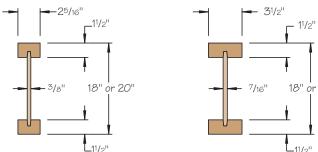
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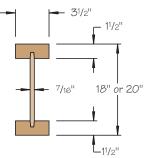
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Design Properties



Design Properties (100% Load Duration)

TJI®/Pro[™] 350 joists Top and bottom flanges of 25/16" x 11/2" Microllam® LVL with 3/8" Performance Plus® web.



TJI®/Pro[™] 550 joists Top and bottom flanges of 31/2" x 11/2" Microllam® LVL with 7/16" Performance Plus® web.

General Notes

- Design reaction includes all loads on the joist. Design shear is computed at the face of supports including all loads on the span(s). Allowable shear may sometimes be increased at interior supports in accordance with ICBO ES PFC-4354 and NER-200; these increases are reflected in span tables.
- Reaction values are based on a minimum bearing length of 13/4" at ends and 31/2" at intermediate supports.
- This formula approximates the uniform load deflection of Δ (inches):

For TJI®/Pro[™] 350 Joists

 $\Delta = \frac{22.5 \text{ wL}^4}{\text{EI}} + \frac{2.67 \text{ wL}^2}{\text{d} \times 10^5}$

w = uniform load in pounds per linear foot L = span in feet

For TJI®/Pro[™] 550 Joists $\Delta = \frac{22.5 \text{ wL}^4}{\text{EI}} + \frac{2.29 \text{ wL}^2}{\text{d} \times 10^5}$

d = out-to-out depth of the joist in inches EI = value from table below

Basic Properties Reaction Properties Maximum Intermediate Maximum TII®/Pro™ Depth Reaction (Ibs) Joist Only Resistive Maximum Maximum Joist Weight (Ibs/ft) Moment El x 106 Vertical Shear **End Reaction** No Web With Web (in.² lbs) (Ibs) (Ibs) (ft-lbs) Stiffeners Stiffeners 18" 3.7 8,000 1,057 2,155 1,160 2.320 2,680 350 1,160 2,680 20' 3.9 9,040 1,354 2,165 2,320 18" 5.0 12,285 1,400 3,355 1.566 2.535 3.830 550 20" 53 13,885 1,998 2,740 1,400 3,355 3,830

TJI® joists are intended for dry-use, non-treated applications

Floor Span Tables

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How to Use These Tables

- 1. Determine the appropriate LIVE LOAD DEFLECTION.
- 2. Identify the LIVE and DEAD LOAD condition.

Minimum Criteria Per Code

L/360 Live Load Deflection

TJI®/Pro™

350

550

350

550

350

550

350

550

Depth

18"

20"

18"

20"

40 PSF LL/ 10 PSF DL*

PSF LL/ PSF DL

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- 3. Select on-center spacing.
- Scan down the column until you meet or exceed the span of your application.

16" o.c.

31'-5"(1)

35'-6"

32'-0"(1)

38'-6"

24'-7"(1)

32'-2"(1)

24'-8%

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5. Select TJI $^{\mbox{\scriptsize B}}$ joist and depth.

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General Notes

- Tables are based on:
 - Uniform Ioads.
 - More restrictive of simple or continuous span.
 - Clear distance between supports ($1^{3}/4^{"}$ minimum end bearing).
- Assumed composite action with a single layer of 24" on-center span-rated, glue-nailed wood sheathing for deflection only (spans shall be reduced 5" when sheathing panels are nailed only).
- A code-allowed increase for repetitive member use has been included.
- For loading conditions not shown, refer to load table below.

Improved Performance System L/480 Live Load Deflection

	Depth	TJI®/Pro™	16" o.c.	19.2" o.c.	24" o.c.
LL/	18"	350	28'-6"(1)	26'-8"(1)	21'-4"(1)
	10	550	32'-1"	30'-3"	26' - 9" ⁽¹⁾
PSF PSF	20"	350	30'-11" ⁽¹⁾	26'-8"(1)	21'-4"(1)
40 10	20	550	34'-10"	32'-10"(1)	26'-9"(1)
DL/I	18"	350	24'-7"(1)	20'-6"(1)	16'-4" ⁽¹⁾
	10	550	32'-1" ⁽¹⁾	26'-9"(1)	21'-5"(1)
40 PSF 25 PSF	20"	350	24'-7"(1)	20'-6"(1)	16'-4" ⁽¹⁾
	20	550	32'-2 " ⁽¹⁾	26'-9"(1)	21'-5"(1)

*12 psf dead load at TJI®/Pro™ 550 joists.

Long term deflection under dead load, which includes the effect of creep, has not been considered. **Bold italic** spans reflect initial dead load deflection exceeding 0.33". (1) Web stiffeners are required at intermediate supports of continuous span joists in conditions where the intermediate bearing length is less than 5¹/4" and the span on either side of the intermediate bearing is greater than the following spans:

TJI®/Pro™	40 PSF Live Lo	ad, 10 PSF D	ead Load*	40 PSF Live Load, 25 PSF Dead Load		
IJI®/Pro	16" o.c.	19.2" o.c.	24" o.c.	16" o.c.	19.2" o.c.	24" o.c.
350	27'-8"	23'-1"	18'-5"	21'-3"	17'-8"	14'-2"
550	Not Required	32'-1"	25'-8"	30'-10"	25'-8"	20'-6"

19.2" o.c.

26'-8"(1)

33'-6"(1)

26'-8"(1)

33'-6"(1)

20 -6 11

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RO2_6"(1)

26'-9"(1)

24" o.c.

21'-4"(1)

26'-9"(1)

21 4 (1)

26 -9 41)

G6'-4"(1)

21'-5"(1)

16'-4"(1)

21'-5"(1)

*12 psf dead load at TJI®/Pro™ 550 joists.



Floor Load Table

How to Use This Table

- 1. Calculate actual total and live load in pounds per linear foot (plf).
- 2. Select appropriate JOIST CLEAR SPAN.
- 3. Scan horizontally to find a TJI® joist that meets or exceeds actual total and live loads.

General Notes

- Table is based on:
 - Uniform Ioads.
 - No composite action provided by sheathing.
 - More restrictive of simple or continuous span. Ratio of short span to long span should be 0.4 or greater to prevent uplift
- TOTAL LOAD limits joist deflection to L/240.
- LIVE LOAD is based on joist deflection of L/480.
- If live load deflection limit of L/360 is desired, multiply value in LIVE LOAD column by 1.33. The resulting live load shall not exceed the TOTAL LOAD shown.

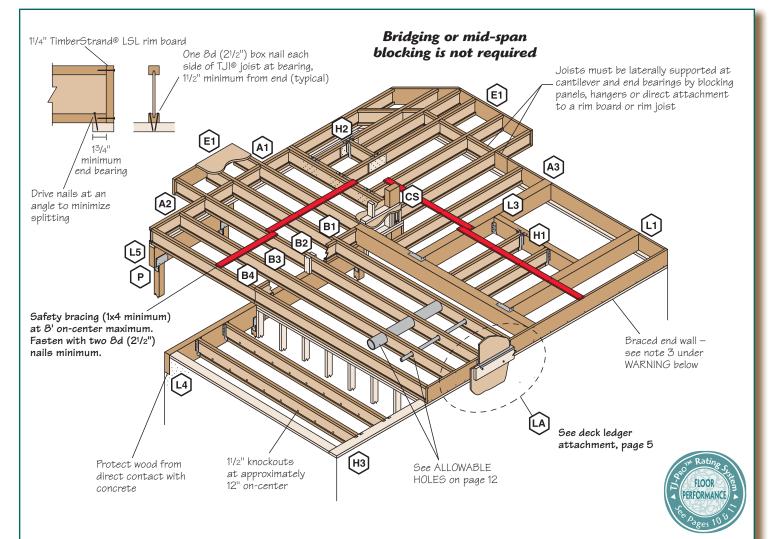
Floor—100% (PLF)

		TJI®/Pr	o™ 350			TJI®/Pr	o [™] 550	
Joist	18	3"	20)"	18	8"	20)"
Clear Span	Live Load L/480	Total Load	Live Load L/480	Total Load	Live Load L/480	Total Load	Live Load L/480	Total Load
6'		301		301		436		436
8'		227		227		329		329
10'		182		182		264		264
12'		152		152		220		220
14'		131		131		189		189
16'		114		114		166		166
18'		102		102		147		147
20'		92		92		133		133
22'		83		83		121		121
24'				76	107	111		111
26'					86	102		102
28'					70	95	88	95
30'					57	89	72	89
32'					48	83	60	83
34'					40	78	51	78

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Typical Silent Floor, system





DO NOT allow workers to walk on joists until braced. INJURY MAY RESULT.

WARNING

Joists are unstable until braced laterally

BRACING INCLUDES:

- Blocking Hangers Rim Board
- Sheathing Rim Joist Safety Bracing



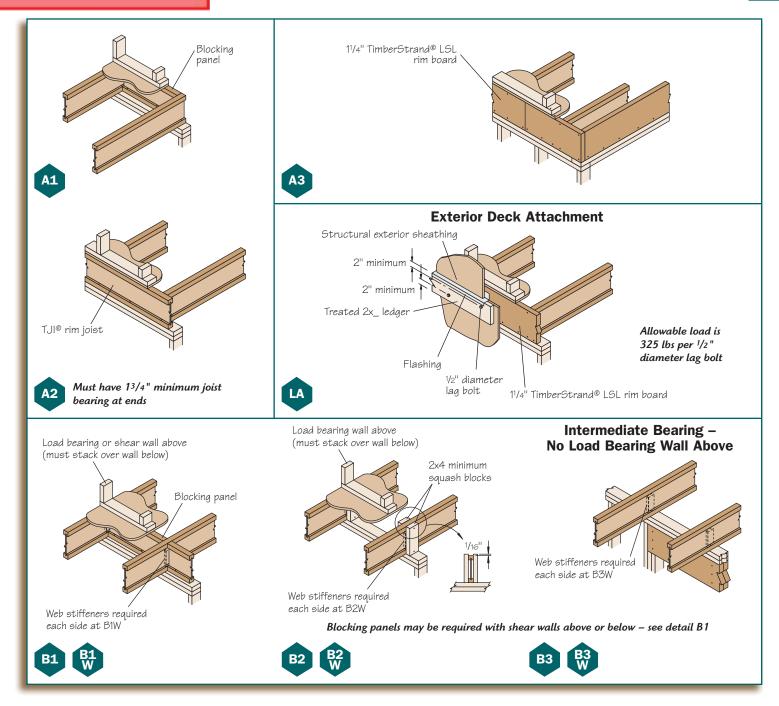
DO NOT stack building materials on unsheathed joists. Stack only over beams or walls.

WARNING NOTES: Lack of concern for proper bracing during construction can result in serious accidents. Under normal conditions if the following guidelines are observed, accidents will be avoided.

- All blocking, hangers, rim boards and rim joists at the end supports of the TJI[®] joists must be completely installed and properly nailed.
- Lateral strength, like a braced end wall or an existing deck, must be established at the ends of the bay. This can also be accomplished by a temporary or permanent deck (sheathing) fastened to the first 4 feet of joists at the end of the bay.
- 3. Safety bracing lines of 1x4 (minimum) must be nailed to a braced end wall or sheathed area as in note 2 and to each joist. Without this bracing, buckling sideways or rollover is highly probable under light construction loads—like a worker or one layer of unnailed sheathing.
- Sheathing must be totally attached to each TJI[®] joist before additional loads can be placed on the system.
- 5. Ends of cantilevers require safety bracing lines on both the top and bottom flanges.
- 6. The flanges must remain straight within a tolerance of 1/2" from true alignment.

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General Notes

Minimum Bearing Length

- At joist ends: 13/4"
- At intermediate supports: 31/2"

Blocking Panels, Rim Boards or Rim Joists

Check vertical load transfer at bearings.

Allowable uniform vertical loads:	
TJI [®] blocking145	0 plf
TJI® rim joist	
TimberStrand® LSL – 11/4"345	0 plf

Loads may not be increased for duration of load.

- Bracing per code shall be carried to the foundation.
- For information on lateral load transfer, contact your Trus Joist representative.

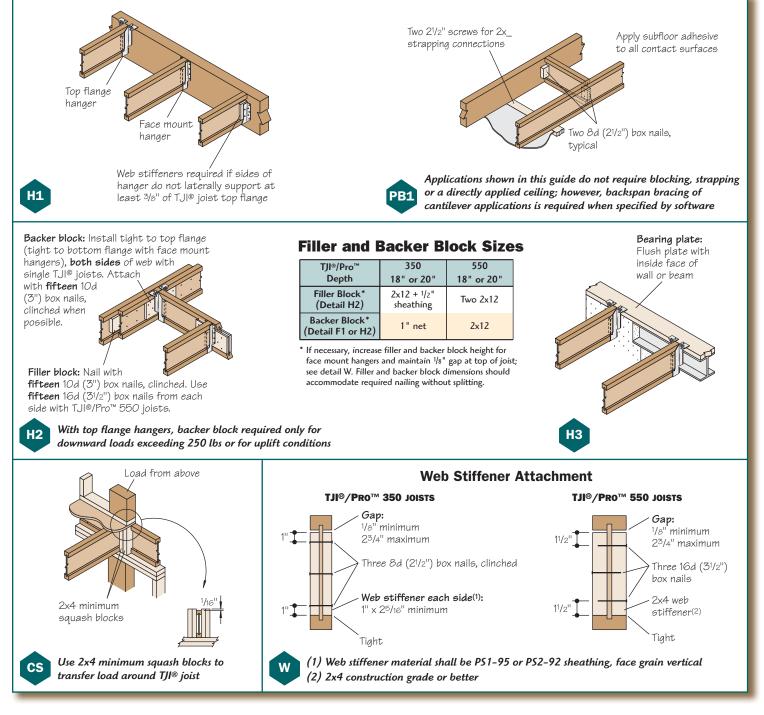
Nailing Requirements

- TJI[®] joists at bearings: Two 8d (2¹/2["]) box nails (1 each side), 1¹/2["] minimum from end.
- Blocking panels, rim joist or rim board to bearing plate: TJI® blocking panels or rim joist: 10d (3") box nails at 6" on-center. Trus Joist rim board: Toenail with 10d (3") box nails at 6" on-center or 16d (3¹/2") box nails at 12" on-center.
- Rim board, rim joist or closure to TJI® joist:
 - 13/4" width or less: 10d (3") box nails, one each at top and bottom flange.
 TJI®/Pro™ 350 rim joist: 16d (3¹/2") box nails, one each at top and bottom flange.
 TJI®/Pro™ 550 rim joist: Toenail joist to rim joist with one 10d (3") box nail each side of joist top flange.
- 2x4 minimum squash blocks: 10d (3") box nails, one each at top and bottom flange.

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Fastening of Sheathing to TJI® Joist Flanges and Trus Joist Rim Board

	Closest On-Center Spacing Per Row		
Nail Size	TJI®/Pro™	TimberStrand® LSL	
INAII SIZE	350 550	Rim Board	
8d (21/2") box	2"	4"	
8d (21/2") common	2"	4"	
10d (3"), 12d (3¼") box	2"	4"	
10d (3"), 12d (3 ¹ / ₄ ") common	3"	4"	
16d (31/2") common	N.A. ⁽¹⁾	6"(2)	

 When nailing through the wall sill plate and floor sheathing, closest on-center spacing is 4" (1³/8" max. penetration).

(2) When nailing through the wall sill plate and floor sheathing, closest on-center spacing is 3" (13/8" max. penetration).

General Notes

- Maximum spacing of nails is 24" on-center.
- If more than one row of nails is used, the rows must be offset at least 1/2" and staggered.
- 14 ga. staples may be substituted for 8d (2¹/2") nails if minimum penetration of 1" is achieved.
- Table also applies for the attachment of TJI[®] rim joists and blocking panels to the wall plate.

See General Notes on page 5

Simpson Strong-Tie® Single Joist Hangers

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	Depth	TJI®/Pro™	Hanger	
ge	18"	350	MIT3518	
Flange		550	MIT418 ⁽¹⁾	
ΡF	20"	350	MIT3520	
Top	20	550	MIT420 ⁽¹⁾	
Int	18"	350	MIU2.37/18	
Ιοι		550	MIU418	
ace Mount	20"	350	MIU2.37/20	
Fac	20	550	MIU420	

(1) Limit load for hangers supported by TJI® joist headers to 1,230 lbs or subtract 36" from floor span charts.

Joist: 10d x 11/2" nails.

 $\begin{array}{l} \mbox{Header: 10d (3") common nails. Top flange hangers require $$10d x 1^{1/2"}$ for TJI® joist headers or single $2x_ nailers. $ \end{array}$

Double Joist Hanger

	Depth	TJI®/Pro™	Hanger	Maximum Load (Ibs) Floor
ge	18"	350	WP3518-2	
Flange	10	550	WPI418-2	See Table
Ľ	20"	350	WP3520-2	A
Top		550	WPI420-2	
Int	18"	350	MIU4.75/18	2460
ace Mount	10	550	HU414-2	2250
	20"	350	HU3520-2	2250
Fac	20	550	HU414-2	2250

Joist: 10d x 11/2" nails.

Header: 10d (3") common nails. Top flange hangers require 10d x 11/2" for TJI® joist headers or single 2x_ nailers.

Table A—Maximum Load (lbs) for Top Flange Hangers

Header Material	WP/WPI
Beam	2000
TJI® Joist Header	2030
Wood Nailer	2500

 Maximum load for top flange hangers may not be increased for duration of load.

Face Mount Skewed 45° Joist Hanger

Depth	TJI®/Pro™	Hanger
18"	350	SURI3514/20 or SULI3514/20
10	550	SUR414 or SUL414
20"	350	SURI3514/20 or SULI3514/20
20	550	SUR414 or SUL414

Joist: 10d x 11/2" nails.

Header: 16d (31/2") common nails.

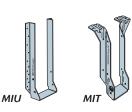
General Notes

The listed hangers are manufactured by either Simpson Strong-Tie® Company, Inc. or United Steel Products Company. For additional information, refer to their literature.

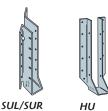
Contact your Trus Joist representative for assistance with other hanger or support conditions.

Bold italic hangers require web stiffeners.

- Some hangers shown have less capacity than that of the TJI[®] joists. The joist hanger capacity must be checked for applications beyond the floor span tables or when maximum loads are given.
- Refer to manufacturer's literature for uplift capacities.
- Leave 1/16" clearance (1/8" maximum) between the end of the supported joist and the header or hanger.
- Fill all round, dimple and positive angle nail holes. Capacities will vary with different nailing criteria or other support conditions.













USP Lumber Connectors[™] Single Joist Hangers

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_	Depth	TJI®/Pro™	Hanger
se	18" 20"	350	TFI3518
Flange		550	TFI418
βF		350	TFI3520
l₽.		550	TFI420
лt	18"	350	THF23180
Mount	10	550	THF35165
e -	20"	350	THF23180
Fac		550	THF35165
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Joist: 10d x 11/2" nails.

Header: 10d (3") common nails. Use 16d x 31/2" for top flange hangers. Top flange hangers may not be used with TJI® headers.

Double Joist Hangers

	Depth	TJI®/Pro™	Hanger	Maximum Load (Ibs) Floor
ge	18"	350	THO23180-2	
Flange	10	550	BPH7118	See Table
ΡF	20"	350	THO23200-2	A
Тор		550	BPH7120	
Int	18"	350	THF23160-2	2470
Jor	10	550	HD7180 ⁽¹⁾	3275
Face Mount	20"	350	THF23160-2	2470
Fac	20	550	HD7180 ⁽¹⁾	3275

(1) Requires 2" minimum width header.

Joist: 10d (3") common nails.

Header: 16d (3¹/2") common nails.

Use 10d (3") common nails for THF face mount hangers. Top flange hangers may not be used with TJI® joist headers.

Table A—Maximum Load (lbs) for Top Flange Hangers

Header Material	THO	BPH
Beam	2685	3280
Wood Nailer	1000	1450

• Maximum load for top flange hangers may not be increased for duration of load.

Face Mount Skewed 45° Joist Hanger

Depth	TJI®/Pro™	Hanger
18"	350	SKH2324R or SKH2324L
10	550	SKH418R or SKH418L ⁽¹⁾
20"	350	THF23140-SKH45L or R ⁽¹⁾
	550	SKH418R or SKH418L ⁽¹⁾

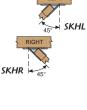
(1) Miter cut required on end of joist.

Joist: 10d x 11/2" nails.

Header: 10d (3") common nails.

Header Requirements

- TJI® joist headers or beams are Trus Joist products or sawn lumber (southern pine, Douglas fir or spruce-pine-fir).
- Minimum header width for top flange hangers is 3".
- Minimum header width for face mount hangers is 13/4".



TOP VIEW

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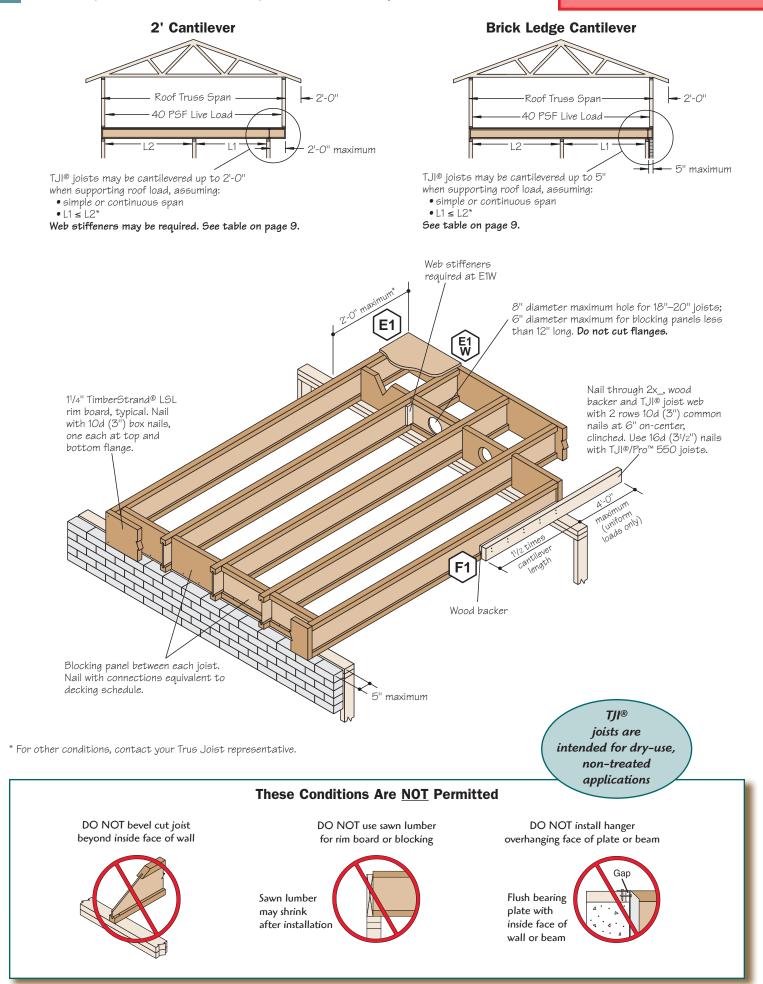


Framing Connectors

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How to Use This Table

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2' Maximum and Brick Ledge

- 1. Identify TJI® joist.
- 2. Locate the ROOF TRUSS SPAN (horizontal) that meets or exceeds your condition.
- 3. Find ROOF TOTAL LOAD and ON-CENTER JOIST SPACING for your application.
- 4. Refer to LEGEND to determine whether web stiffeners are required. Also see details on page 8.

General Notes

Table is based on:

- 15 psf roof dead load.
- 80 plf exterior wall load with 3'-0" maximum width window or door openings. For larger openings, or multiple 3'-0" width openings spaced less than 6'-0" on-center, additional joists beneath the opening's trimmers may be required.
- Roof truss with 24" soffits.
- Designed for 2x4 and 2x6 plate widths.
- For conditions beyond the scope of this table, use TJ-Beam[®] or TJ-Xpert[®] software.

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	40" 100"	Roof	Roof Total Load 35 PSF 45 PSF 55 PSF								
Condition	18" and 20" TJI®/Pro™	Truss		33 836							
	IJI®/Pro	Span		On-Center Joist Spacing 16" 19.2" 24" 16" 19.2" 24" 16" 19.2" 24"							
		2.01	16"						16"	19.2"	
		28'	0	0	0	0	0	W	0	0	X
		30'	0	0	0	0	0	W	0	0	Х
		32'	0	0	0	0	0	W	0	W	Х
	350	34'	0	0	W	0	0	Х	0	W	Х
		36'	0	0	W	0	0	Х	0	W	Х
		38'	0	0	W	0	W	Х	0	Х	Х
2'		40'	0	0	W	0	W	X	W	X	X
Maximum	550	28'	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		30'	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		32'	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		34'	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		36'	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		38'	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	W
		40'	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	W
		28'	0	0	Х	0	Х	Х	0	Х	Х
		30'	0	0	Х	0	Х	Х	X	Х	Х
		32'	0	0	Х	0	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х
	350	34'	0	Х	Х	X	Х	Х	X	Х	Х
		36'	0	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х
		38'	0	Х	Х	X	Х	Х	X	Х	Х
Brick		40'	0	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х
Ledge		28'	0	0	0	0	0	Х	0	Х	Х
		30'	0	0	Х	0	0	Х	0	Х	Х
		32'	0	0	Х	0	0	Х	0	Х	Х
	550	34'	0	0	Х	0	Х	Х	0	Х	Х
		36'	0	0	Х	0	Х	Х	X	Х	Х
		38'	0	0	Х	0	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х
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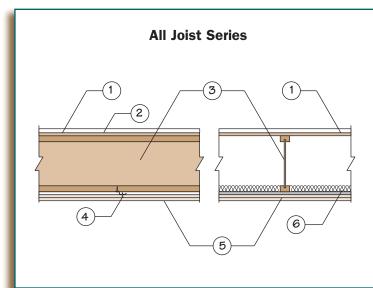
Legend

0 No web stiffener required.

W Web stiffener required each side of joist at bearing. See detail E1W.

X Will not work. Reduce spacing of joists and recheck table.

Sound Control Detail



- 1. 48/24 tongue-and-groove span-rated sheathing ("Exposure 1")
- 2. 3/4" thick, Gyp-Crete® underlayment
- 3. TJI® joists
- 4. RC-1 resilient channels attached directly to joist at 16" on-center spacing
- 5. Two layers of 5/8" thick Type X gypsum board (1/2" Type X gypsum board adequate for carpet and pad detail)
- 6. 31/2" thick unfaced fiberglass insulation batt

Sound Test Data

Type of Floor Covering	Without Gy	p-Crete®	With Gyp-Crete®				
Type of Floor Covering	STC	IIC	STC	IIC			
None	54	46	58	46			
Pad and Carpet	50	60	58	54			
Armstrong VIOS Inlaid Sheet Vinyl	56	47	-	51			
Armstrong Cambray Sheet Vinyl	-	-	-	50			
Hartco Foam Backed Parquet	-	-	-	52			
Tarkett Acoustiflor® Sheet Vinyl	-	51	58	54			
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│ TJ-Pro™ Rating System

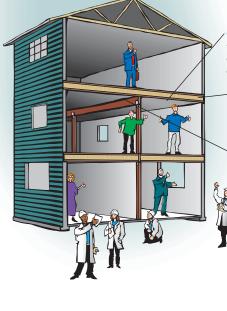
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The TJ-Pro[™] Rating System is a sophisticated computer model for predicting floor performance. Trus Joist offers the TJ-Pro[™] Rating System in its exclusive TJ-Beam[®] and TJ-Xpert[®] software.

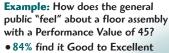
The TJ-Pro[™] Rating System allows you to select not only Trus Joist products, but other components contributing to the assembly of a floor as well. Varying the components and developing relative performance ratings gives you options for enhancing the floor's performance. You also get a comparison cost value to assist you in determining the cost efficiency of your selection. This comparison cost value is based on the input cost of decking and the wood volume of floor joist in your floor assembly. This capability allows you to balance floor economics with the TJ-Pro[™] Performance Value. Varying the quantifiable components can increase the Performance Value, often without significant increases in system cost. Different joist types, depth and spacing can sometimes even lower the cost while increasing the Performance Value.



Ceiling – A ceiling directly applied to the bottom edge of the floor members– or equivalent strapping–is a performance enhancement.

Continuity – Continuous joists over several supports generally perform better than simple spans. Care must be taken if the joists continue into another occupancy.

Beams – Generally, joists supported by beams that are free to deflect tend to feel a little less solid than joists supported by solid bearing walls.



• 9% find it Marginal

TJ-Pro'* Rating Points

•7% find it Unacceptable



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Joist Spacing and Deck Stiffness – Reduced spacing or increased deck thickness generally improves the performance of a floor assembly.



Since the mid 1960s, Trus Joist has been involved in evaluating floor performance. Our early observations suggested that the minimum deflection criteria used by the industry (L/360 or less under live load) provided little assurance of an acceptable floor. In an effort to improve performance, we began recommending a stiffer static deflection limit of L/480 for longer-span residential floors and L/600 for longer-span commercial floors. Fundamental to this recommendation was our belief that the performance of the floor must also consider the use of the structure. Our recommended deflection criteria has resulted in a higher percentage of acceptable floors and remains a reasonable starting guideline.

It has been well-documented that historic **uniform live load deflection criteria** alone is not enough to produce consistent and predictable performance results and that **dynamic floor system response** should be a consideration.

In the early 1990s, Trus Joist began a research project to develop the desired design methodology for evaluating floor performance including consideration of dynamic response. Our objective was to combine the findings of our research and 30 years of experience into a tool that can be used to evaluate the potential for predictable floor performance.

From our research and the information gathered from almost 1,000 field and laboratory floor applications of our products we created a computer model to analyze these applications statically. The numerical results were correlated with subjective evaluations of dynamic field floor tests to develop the **TJ-Pro[™] Rating System**. This evaluation methodology allows the user to select various floor assembly components and options to produce a relative rating number (Performance Value) for the floor assembly. Usually the value will be between 25 and 60. An estimate of the percentage of the population that finds each rating category acceptable can then be obtained from the chart. This new evaluation methodology from Trus Joist gives you the ability to truly "put yourself in the other person's shoes," by encouraging you to think about how others may want a floor to perform. The TJ-Pro[™] Rating System is intended for typically loaded floors (i.e. not for dance halls, weight rooms, etc.).

How high a percentage is "right"? All of us in this business have an experience base to draw upon. As a specifier, you have the advantage of knowing the level of expectation to which the floor assembly will need to perform. While neither you nor Trus Joist can guarantee 100% positive results, applying this new tool with a little judgment lets you gain an unprecedented level of control over the expected performance of the floor assembly.

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Floor performance is a subjective issue that is influenced by many factors. Listed below are several suggestions that may help in the design of a floor system:

- Deeper joists will reduce deflection.
- Thicker floor sheathing and/or reducing the on-center spacing of the joists will improve load sharing.
- Adhesives that permanently bond the sheathing to the joists will improve the stiffness of the floor system and will also prevent squeaks.
- Directly applied ceilings, bridging, 1x4 minimum bottom chord strapping or full-depth blocking will improve floor performance.
- Framed partition walls, ceilings and other inherent random dead loads will dampen vibrations. Non-bearing transverse partitions within the span, solidly connected to the floor, help to dampen vibrations and contribute to the perception of a solid-feeling floor assembly (not available in TJ-Xpert[®] software).
- Workmanship in the field is critical. Protection of construction materials from exposure to moisture, full joist bearing, adequate and level supports, proper installation of the floor sheathing and care in the fastening (nailing, adhesives, etc.) are important details of construction.
- Poured toppings can have either a positive or negative effect, depending on variables such as the type of topping and how it is connected to the deck surface.

The perception and expectation of an end user is typically the most important variable to consider in selecting the components of a floor system.

Fire-Safe Construction

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Fire-safe construction and life safety are major concerns for everyone in the building materials and construction industry. The 2000 statistics on residential fire in the U.S. alone include 3,445 fire fatalities and \$5.7 billion in property damage. These numbers underscore the seriousness of the issue and the need for fire-safe construction.

Over the past 30 years, prefabricated wood I-joists have established a record of safe and reliable performance in millions of structures. Many of these structures, such as one- or two-family residential dwellings, do not require specific fire-endurance ratings. Trus Joist believes that fire-safe design should be a consideration in all structures and for all types of materials. The following information is intended to help you specify and install Trus Joist products with fire safety in mind.

Active Fire Suppression

Trus Joist supports the position that homeowners, firefighters, insurers and the community at large benefit from the use of properly installed fire sprinkler systems. Automatic residential fire sprinkler systems have an excellent record of performance and offer the best available protection to occupants and their property. Today's modern systems are inconspicuous and efficient and can be installed for less cost than the typical homeowner will spend to carpet their floors. This type of fire suppression system provides:

- Early and unsupervised fire suppression
- Reduced smoke development
- Enhanced life safety
- Reduced potential for significant property damage

Passive Fire Protection

Independent tests have proven that unprotected lightweight framing systems, whether combustible or non-combustible, suffer serious and rapid structural degradation when exposed to heat and fire. All floor framing materials – sawn lumber, wood I-joists, trusses and light gauge steel – succumb quickly to fire if not protected. In fire scenarios, a protective membrane such as gypsum ceiling board will provide additional protection to the structural framing members. Passive fire-suppression methods provide:

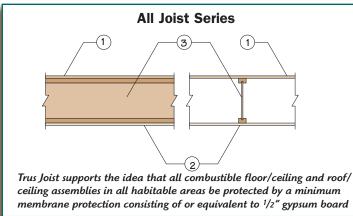
- Delayed fire growth
- Reduced potential for significant property damage
- Enhanced market value of the home

Smoke Detectors

Smoke detectors are universally recognized as the most cost-effective life-saving devices. While smoke detectors do not provide protection to the structure or to the contents in a home, they do alert occupants to potential fire hazards and allow them time to escape.

For more information on fire assemblies and fire-safe construction, please refer to Trus Joist's Fire Facts Guide (Reorder #5003) or visit www.trusjoist.com and www.i-joist.com.

Minimum Membrane Construction



Trus Joist Suggestions

- 1. 48/24 tongue-and-groove span-rated sheathing ("Exposure 1")
- 2. Single layer 1/2" thick gypsum board
- 3. TJI® joists

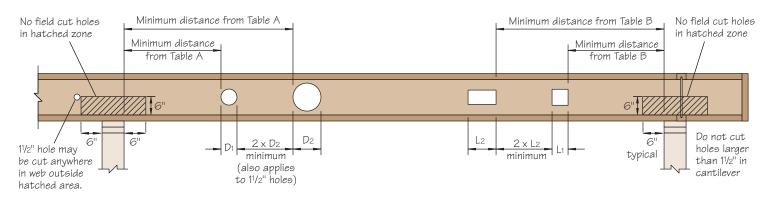
Benefits of Minimum Membrane Construction

- Improved life safety
- Reduced potential for fire damage by slowing fire growth
- Enhanced market value of the home

Allowable Holes

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How to Use These Tables

- 1. Locate the column that meets or exceeds the required hole size.
- 2. Identify the TJI® joist and depth being used.
- 3. Scan horizontally until you intersect the column that contains the hole size you selected. This value is the **required minimum distance** from the edge of the hole to the inside face of the nearest support.

General Notes

- Multiple holes require spacing 2 times the length of the largest hole.
- Holes may be located vertically anywhere within the web. Leave $1/8\,"$ of web minimum at top and bottom of hole.
- TJI® joists are manufactured with 11/2" perforated knockouts in the web at approximately 12" on-center along the length of the joist. They do not affect hole placement.
- Distances are based on uniform loads using the maximum loads shown in this guide. For other load conditions or hole configurations use TJ-Beam[®] software or contact your Trus Joist representative.
- For simple span (5 foot minimum) uniformly loaded joists not requiring commercial concentrated loads, one maximum size round hole may be located at the center of the joist span provided no other holes occur in the joist.

Full web depth rectangular holes are also possible. Contact your Trus Joist representative for assistance.



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Table A—Round Holes

Minimum distance from inside face of any support to nearest edge of hole

Depth	TJI®/Pro™		Round Hole Size							
Depth IJI®/Pro		2"	4"	6"	8"	10"	12"	14 ³ /4"	16 ³ /4"	
18"	350	1'-0"	1'-0"	1'-0"	1'-0"	4'-0"	7'-6"	13'-0"		
	550	1'-0"	1'-0"	1'-0"	3'-6"	6'-6"	10'-0"	15'-0"		
201	350	1'-0"	1'-0"	1'-0"	1'-0"	2'-6"	6'-0"	10'-0"	14'-6"	
20"	550	1'-0"	1'-0"	1'-0"	1'-0"	3'-6"	7'-0"	12'-0"	16'-0"	

Table B—Square or Rectangular Holes Minimum distance from inside face of any support to nearest edge of hole

Depth	TJI®/Pro™		Square or Rectangular Hole Size								
	1)10/1910	2"	4"	6"	8"	10"	12"	14 ³ /4"	16 ³ /4"		
18"	350	1'-0"	1'-0"	3'-0"	8'-0"	13'-0"	15'-0"	17'-6"			
	550	1'-0"	2'-0"	6'-6"	10'-6"	14'-6"	16'-0"	18'-0"			
20"	350	1'-0"	1'-0"	1'-0"	6'-0"	11'-6"	15'-0"	17'-6"	19'-6"		
	550	1'-0"	1'-0"	4'-0"	9'-0"	14'-0"	17'-0"	18'-6"	19'-6"		

Rectangular holes based on measurement of longest side.



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