

Delegated Design & Design Assist

Proposed Policy Revisions

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DEFINITIONS

- In a Delegated Design, the General Contractor or their subcontractor shall provide sealed drawings and/or qualifications by a qualified, licensed engineer. The A/E shall provide clear requirements for those documents, and approve them.
- In appropriate cases, engage a qualified vendor, manufacturer, or subcontractor during design for the purpose of assisting the A/E with design or detailing of a specific portion of the project, defined here as Design Assist. In a Design Assist, the A/E shall provide sealed drawings, specifications, and/or calculations which have been informed by the Design Assist firm.

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- These policies don't apply for Design-Build contracts
- May apply for CM @ Risk and others w/ early GC involvement
- These policies are primarily aimed at Design-Bid-Build projects

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RECENT CHALLENGES

- GC's obtaining required PE-stamped documents
- Confusing relationships with Design Assist vendors
- Wasn't contractually defined
- Expectations weren't aligned within project team
- Elements were the work of multiple subcontractors

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PROPOSED POLICY REVISIONS (D-B-B only)

- COTR to confirm all uses of Design Assist and Delegated Design
- Delegated Designs shall be from a single Specification Section
EXAMPLES: Fire Sprinkler, Fire Alarm, Specialty Museum Systems (i.e. Lighting Control), Specialty Structural Systems (i.e. Unistrut)
- Design Assist only for systems with unique or complex requirements
EXAMPLES: Curtain Walls

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PROPOSED POLICY REVISIONS (D-B-B only)

- Design Assist & Delegated Design clearly identified in Div 1000
- Submittal requirements listed separately in Div 1000
- A/E has stamp authority for Design Assist components
- GC-hired PE has stamp authority for Delegated

Questions