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## Here Are 7 Kinds Of Insulation Board

Insulation board, a versatile building and remodeling material, is made in seven forms.

It's used in construction of buildings ranging in size from one-family houses to factories and skyscrapers.

The seven types of insulation board are:

**CEILING TILE.** These decorative squares and rectangles are available with smooth surfaces, and with sound-absorbing perforations or fissures. You can apply the tiles yourself with adhesives, nails or staples.

**ROOF DECK SLAB.** These panels simplify roof construction for a home with an exposed-beam ceiling. They provide the roof deck, finished ceiling and insulation in one product. Like the insulation board tile, roof deck slab is available with either a smooth or sound-absorbing surface on the side used for the ceiling.

**BUILDING BOARD.** This general purpose insulation board is normally supplied in  $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch thick square-edged sheets that are 4 feet wide and 8 to 12 feet long. It makes an interior decorative finish for walls and ceilings.

**PLANK.** This material is similar to insulating building board,

except that it's made in narrower widths—8, 10, 12 and 16 inches—and is available with specially fabricated edges which permit concealment of the staves or nails used in fastening it. All planks are factory prefinished in a variety of colors.

**SHEATHING.** It is designed for use as a wall sheathing in frame construction. It may be integrally treated, impregnated or coated for additional water resistance so that it can be used without building paper in many cities. Sheathing is covered by such exterior facings as wood siding, wood shingles, asbestos-cement siding, brick veneer or stucco.

**ROOF INSULATION BOARD.** This type of board is particularly suitable for flat roofs. It is covered with built-up roofing (pitch, felt and gravel, for example), and is applied over all types of roof decks.

**SHINGLE BACKER.** An under-course, or "layer," beneath wood or asbestos-cement shingles, it adds an attractive depth to the shadow line of the siding. It helps build strong, tight walls, insulates and helps reduce sound transmission.

## Free Booklets Give Buying, Fix-up Tips

If you plan to buy a home, you'll want to be well enough informed on building products to make a wise choice.

Or, if you're already a home owner and would like to remodel or modernize your house, you'll profit by getting tips from the experts.

Whichever is your case, you'll find an abundance of helpful information in the booklets available from the Insulation Board Institute, 111 West Washington Street, Chicago 2, Ill. The IBI is a trade association of 14 leading manufacturers of building products.

Free IBI literature includes: "How to Use Insulation Board," an illustrated six-page brochure.

"28 Ways to Use Insulating Board," a folder of home building and remodeling ideas.

"What the Prospective Home Buyer Should Know About Insulating Board," a four-page brochure that will answer your questions about a versatile building product.

If you'd like to dig deeper into the subject of insulation in general the IBI offers a comprehensive booklet, "Fundamentals of Building Insulation." Illustrated with photographs and drawings, the publication will help you understand how insulation works, why it is used and where to use it.

In the colder regions of the country, the IBI adds, windows and doors should have double glazing or storm sash, storm doors and weather stripping to be properly insulated.

If all the areas of the building are insulated, it will have "balanced" insulation, the IBI notes.

Balanced insulation tends to equalize inside surface temperatures of exposed walls, ceilings and floors with the indoor air temperature. This increases comfort and eliminates drafts that would otherwise occur if wider temperature differences existed between uninsulated surfaces and indoor air.

## Weather Protection

Sheathing, applied to the frame of a house and covered by siding, shingles or masonry veneer, helps make the home weather-tight. Insulation board sheathing will give you a structural value with the added plus of savings on fuel bills.

## Easy To Use

Economical insulation board tile or plank can be used in many building or remodeling projects by the home handyman. The material is easy to cut, saw, nail, staple, glue, paint and clean.

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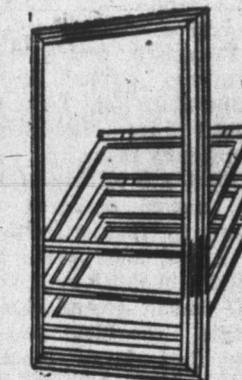
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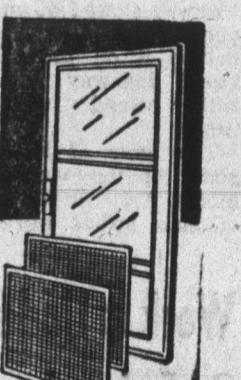
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