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BHMA ISSUES STANDARD FOR THRESHOLDS

The Builders Hardware Manufacturers Association (BHMA) announces the publication of ANSI/BHMA A156.21-2009 for Thresholds.

This standard is a revision of A156.21-2006. It establishes requirements for thresholds. Types are described with identifying numbers. Strength tests, fastening systems, and gasketing tests are included.

The new edition includes provisions for additional material types per the table below:

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| 1 – Architectural Extruded Brass or Bronze |
| 3 – Aluminum |
| 5 – Stainless Steel |
| 7 – Rubber and Similar Non-metallics |
| 0 – Other [i.e. cast iron, safety abrasive, etc.] |

There are requirements for thresholds used in fire door assemblies and openings, as well as the test requirements and procedures in the standard.

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standards by phone by calling 800-699-9277. (Purchased standards are available as printed documents or electronic files (PDF) for immediate download.)

About BHMA

The Builders Hardware Manufacturers Association (BHMA) is an industry leader in building safety and security. BHMA is the only organization accredited by the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) to develop and maintain performance standards for locks, closers, exit devices and other builders hardware. The widely known ANSI/BHMA A156 series of standards describes and establishes the features and criteria for specific types of hardware products. In addition, BHMA sponsors third-party certification of hardware products, which is a requirement for a product to bear the “BHMA Certified” mark — insuring that the product meets the ANSI/BHMA standard. For more information on BHMA, please write to BHMA, 355 Lexington Avenue, Suite 15th Floor, New York, NY, 10017 or visit the Web site at www.buildershardware.com.

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