

## PREFACE

PFS is accredited to ISO Standard 17025, *“General Requirements for the Competence of Testing and Calibration Laboratories,”* under TL-109 as a testing laboratory by the International Accreditation Service (IAS). The fields of testing of PFS’ accreditation include: Physical Testing; Wood and Wood Panel Products Testing; Adhesives Testing; Solid-fuel Burning Appliance Testing; Flat Sheet, Roofing and Siding Shingles, and Clapboard Testing; Rubber Deterioration Testing; Water Vapor Transmission Testing; Water Penetration Testing; Metal Suspension Systems Testing; and Wood–plastic and Plastic Lumber Testing. Contact PFS for specific accredited test criteria.

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Samples of the building products and materials described in this book have been tested and/or inspected and have met nationally recognized standards. These products are entitled to bear the registered PFS certification mark.

To qualify for PFS listing, the manufacturer's product must pass applicable national product standards. In addition, the manufacturing facilities and quality control program are periodically inspected by PFS staff to verify the manufacturer's continuing capability to consistently produce products conforming to the same national product standards used by PFS to originally qualify the product.

The manufacturer's *Compliance Assurance Manual* is reviewed by PFS for adequacy. Periodic factory inspections are performed by qualified PFS inspectors to assist the manufacturer to continue to comply with the manufacturer's *Compliance Assurance Manual*.



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