



UNUSUAL SPECIALTIES

RECOMMENDATION:

The Architect may specify unusual specialties in one of the following ways:

1. Specify a cost allowance. Difference between the actual final cost and the allowance shall be covered by change order.
2. Specify accurate and current information on the source of the item.

COMMENTS:

- A. Allowances are recommended for items for which the bidding contractors may have difficulty in obtaining accurate price quotations. Included in this category are items of "unusual" nature, items for which there is no known local representation and/or items on which it is known prior to bidding that no firm bid can be obtained.
- B. If necessary to specify the item as recommended in #2 above, the Architect should send the manufacturer drawings and specifications as required for accurate pricing along with a list of the bidding contractors.
- C. JCR-CD-12, Utility Allowances.



This recommendation, while not mandatory, is the diligent work of a committee which is drawn from a cross section of the construction industry represented by architects and general contractors. The committee presents this recommendation with the expectation that it will be adhered to voluntarily.