

TABLE R602.10.1.2(1)<sup>a, b, c, d, e</sup>—continued  
BRACING REQUIREMENTS BASED ON WIND SPEED  
(as a function of braced wall line spacing)

For SI: 1 foot = 304.8 mm, 1 inch = 25.4 mm, 1 mile per hour = 0.447 m/s, 1 pound force = 4.448 N.

a. Tabulated bracing lengths are based on Wind Exposure Category B, a 30-ft mean roof height, a 10-ft eave to ridge height, a 10-ft wall height, and two braced wall lines sharing load in a given plan direction on a given story level. Methods of bracing shall be as described in Sections R602.10.2, R602.10.4 and R602.10.5. Interpolation shall be permitted.

b. For other mean roof heights and exposure categories, the required bracing length shall be multiplied by the appropriate factor from the following table:

NUMBER OF STORIES	EXPOSURE/HEIGHT FACTORS		
	Exposure B	Exposure C	Exposure D
1	1.0	1.2	1.5
2	1.0	1.3	1.6
3	1.0	1.4	1.7

c. For other roof-to-eave ridge heights, the required bracing length shall be multiplied by the appropriate factor from the following table: interpolation shall be permitted.

SUPPORT CONDITION	ROOF EAVE-TO-RIDGE HEIGHT			
	5 ft or less	10 ft	15 ft	20 ft
Roof only	0.7	1.0	1.3	1.6
Roof + floor	0.85	1.0	1.15	1.3
Roof + 2 floors	0.9	1.0	1.1	NP

d. For a maximum 9-foot wall height, multiplying the table values by 0.95 shall be permitted. For a maximum 8-foot wall height, multiplying the table values by 0.90 shall be permitted. For a maximum 12-foot wall height, the table values shall be multiplied by 1.1.

e. For three or more braced wall lines in a given plan direction, the required bracing length on each braced wall line shall be multiplied by the appropriate factor from the following table:

NUMBER OF BRACED WALL LINES	ADJUSTMENT FACTOR
3	1.30
4	1.45
≥ 5	

f. Bracing lengths are based on the application of gypsum board finish (or equivalent) applied to the inside face of a braced wall panel. When gypsum board finish (or equivalent) is not applied to the inside face of braced wall panels, the tabulated lengths shall be multiplied by the appropriate factor from the following table:

BRACING METHOD	ADJUSTMENT FACTOR
Method LIB	1.8
Methods DWB, WSP, SFB, PBS, PCP, HPS	1.4

g. Bracing lengths for Method GB are based on the application of gypsum board on both faces of a braced wall panel. When Method GB is provided on only one side of the wall, the required bracing amounts shall be doubled. When Method GB braced wall panels installed in accordance with Section R602.10.2 are fastened at 4 inches on center at panel edges, including top and bottom plates, and are blocked at all horizontal joints, multiplying the required bracing percentage for wind loading by 0.7 shall be permitted.

h. Method LIB bracing shall have gypsum board attached to at least one side according to the Section R602.10.2 Method GB requirements.

i. Required bracing length for Methods DWB, WSP, SFB, PBS, PCP and HPS in braced wall lines located in one-story buildings and in the top story of two or three story buildings shall be permitted to be multiplied by 0.80 when an approved hold-down device with a minimum uplift design value of 800 pounds is fastened to the end studs of each braced wall panel in the braced wall line and to the foundation or framing below.