



Boise Cascade®





USER DEFINED – CUSTOM BRACING

BC Calc, BC Framing/Mitek Structure


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User Defined Custom Bracing



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-  Prior to ver 8.4.1
 -  BC Framing/ Sapphire did not have the ability to recognize/evaluate the model for proper beam bracing. The software took the shortest unbraced length and applied this span to both top and bottom edges. This allowed certain beams to be incorrectly labeled as continuous braced members
-  ver 8.4.2
 -  Mitek introduced the ability to define bracing along the length of a beam. This provides the ability to design a more accurate, safer building than what was possible in prior versions. This is an opportunity for designers to begin modeling and analyzing proper beam bracing along top and bottom edge of members. This can be done by modeling the appropriate members or turning on the “Custom Bracing” functionality.
-  ver 8.4.3 (build 7888)
 -  Boise Design Engine now recognizes the modeling for proper bracing condition in headers.

Bracing	
Use Custom Bracing	Yes
Member Top Bracing	Continuously Braced
Member Bottom Bracing	Continuously Braced
Member Termination	
Right end, typically high	Braced At Supports
	Braced At End
Member Top Bracing	User Defined

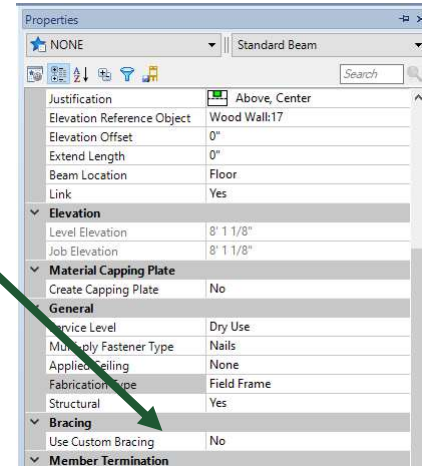
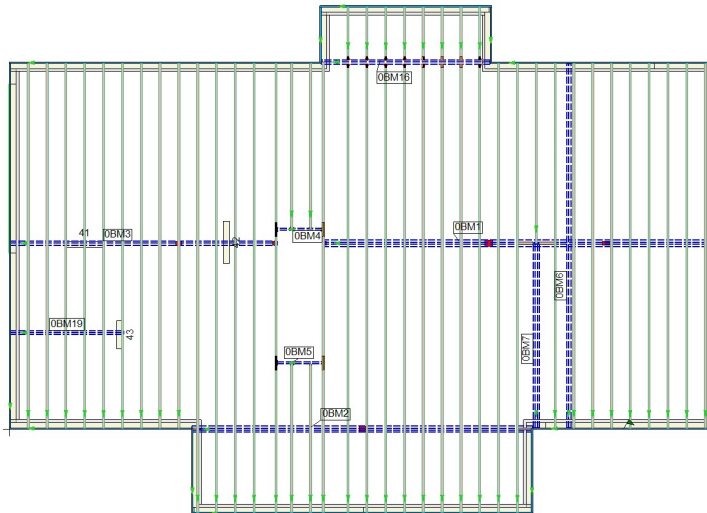


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Custom Bracing – Default to NO



Beam/Header members will use the modeled framing condition providing the appropriate bracing analysis.



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Custom Bracing – Set to NO




Beam/Header members will use the modeled framing condition providing the appropriate bracing analysis.

- ❑ Direct Applied Ceiling setting in the floor container does NOT apply to beam and header members.
- ❑ Direct Applied Ceiling setting in the beam member will result in a fully braced member along the bottom edge ONLY.
 - ❑ Can set up Job Defaults for ALL Beam/ Headers
 - ❑ Turning ON Beam Bracing will override Direct Applied Ceiling
- ❑ Intermediate Posts & Columns are NOT considered bracing points.
- ❑ Perpendicular Walls are considered intermediate bracing points.
 - ❑ Parallel Walls DO NOT provide Bracing

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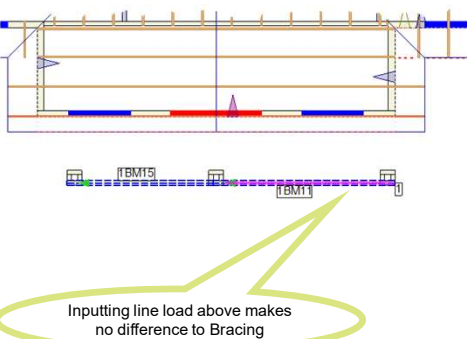
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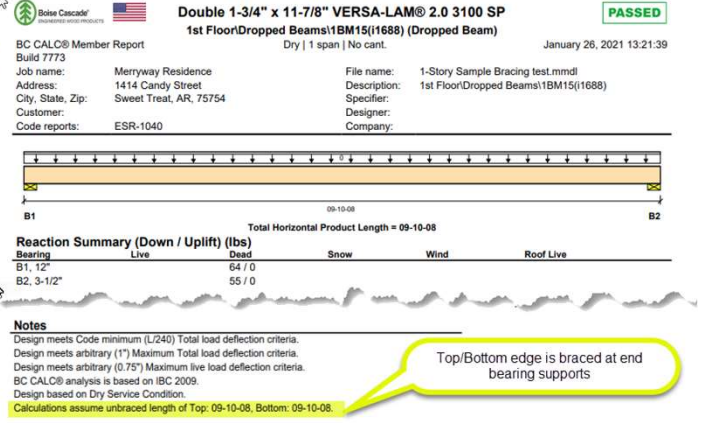
Custom Beam Bracing – Set to NO



Let's review a few examples:

Beam is modeled w/out any framing members connecting into member. 1BM15





Double 1-3/4" x 11-7/8" VERSA-LAM® 2.0 3100 SP
1st FloorDropped Beams1BM15(1688) (Dropped Beam) PASSED

BC CALCO® Member Report
 Build 7773
 Job name: Merryway Residence
 Address: 1414 Candy Street
 City, State, Zip: Sweet Treat, AR, 75754
 Customer:
 Code reports: ESR-1040

File name: 1-Story Sample Bracing test.mmdl
 Description: 1st.FloorDropped Beams1BM15(1688)
 Specifier:
 Designer:
 Company:


January 26, 2021 13:21:39
 Dry | 1 span | No cant.

Total Horizontal Product Length = 09-10-08

Bearing	Live	Dead	Snow	Wind	Roof Live
B1, 12"		64 / 0			
B2, 3-1/2"		55 / 0			


Notes
 Design meets Code minimum (L240) Total load deflection criteria.
 Design meets Code minimum (L360) Live load deflection criteria.
 Design meets arbitrary (1") Maximum Total load deflection criteria.
 Design meets arbitrary (0.75") Maximum live load deflection criteria.
 BC CALCO® analysis is based on IBC 2009.
 Design based on Dry Service Condition.
 Calculations assume unbraced length of Top: 09-10-08, Bottom: 09-10-08.

Top/Bottom edge is braced at end bearing supports



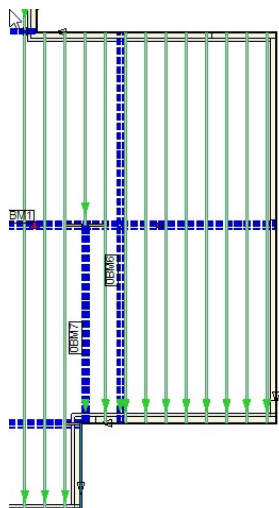
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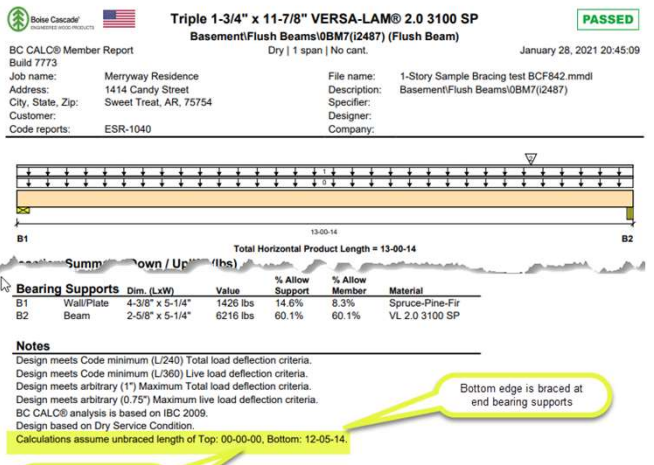
Custom Beam Bracing – Set to NO



Let's review a few examples:

Flush Beam Parallel to Joists. OBM7





Triple 1-3/4" x 11-7/8" VERSA-LAM® 2.0 3100 SP
BasementFlush BeamsOBM7(2487) (Flush Beam) PASSED

BC CALCO® Member Report
 Build 7773
 Job name: Merryway Residence
 Address: 1414 Candy Street
 City, State, Zip: Sweet Treat, AR, 75754
 Customer:
 Code reports: ESR-1040

File name: 1-Story Sample Bracing test BCF842.mmdl
 Description: BasementFlush BeamsOBM7(2487)
 Specifier:
 Designer:
 Company:

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 Dry | 1 span | No cant.


Total Horizontal Product Length = 13-00-14

Bearing Supports	Dim. (LxW)	Value	% Allow Support	% Allow Member	Material	
B1	Wall/Plate	4-3/8" x 5-1/4"	1426 lbs	14.6%	8.3%	Spruce-Pine-Fir
B2	Beam	2-5/8" x 5-1/4"	6216 lbs	60.1%	60.1%	VL 2.0 3100 SP

Notes
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 Design meets arbitrary (1") Maximum Total load deflection criteria.
 Design meets arbitrary (0.75") Maximum live load deflection criteria.
 BC CALCO® analysis is based on IBC 2009.
 Design based on Dry Service Condition.
 Calculations assume unbraced length of Top: 00-00-00, Bottom: 12-05-14.


Bottom edge is braced at end bearing supports

Top edge is continuously braced due to sheathing



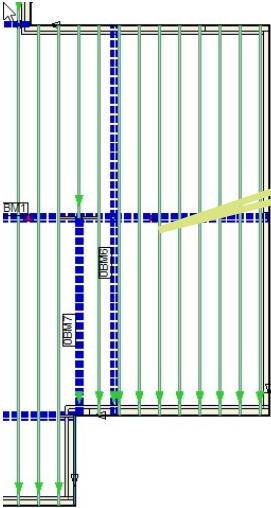
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Custom Beam Bracing – Set to NO



Let's review a few examples:

Continuous Flush Beam Parallel to Joists. OBM6



Dropped Beam provides bracing point..

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Build 7773
Job name: Merryway Residence
Address: 1414 Candy Street
City, State, Zip: Sweet Treat, AR, 75754
Customer:
Code reports: ESR-1040

Double 1-3/4" x 11-7/8" VERSA-LAM® 2.0 3100 SP
Basement Flush Beams/0BM6(2481) (Flush Beam)

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Description: Basement Flush Beams/0BM6(2481)
Specifier:
Designer:
Company:


Reaction Summary (Down/Uplift) (lbs)

Bearing Supports	Dim. (LxW)	Value	% Allow Support	% Allow Member	Material
B1	Wall/Plate 4-3/8" x 3-1/2"	195 lbs	3.0%	1.7%	Spruce-Pine-Fir
B1	Uplift	102 lbs			
B2	Beam 5-1/4" x 3-1/2"	3152 lbs	22.9%	22.9%	VL 2.0 3100 SP
B3	Wall/Plate 4-3/8" x 3-1/2"	1259 lbs	19.3%	11.0%	Spruce-Pine-Fir

Notes
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Design meets Code minimum (L/360) Live load deflection criteria.
Design meets arbitrary (1") Maximum Total load deflection criteria.
Design meets arbitrary (0.75") Maximum live load deflection criteria.
BC CALC® analysis is based on IBC 2009.
Design based on Dry Service Condition.
Calculations assume unbraced length of Top: 00-00-00, Bottom: 12-05-14.


Bottom edge is braced at intermediate bearing

Top edge is continuously braced due to sheathing



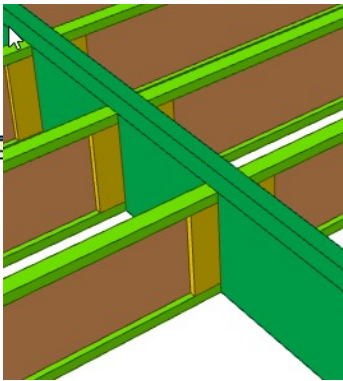
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Custom Beam Bracing – Set to NO



Let's review a few examples:

Flush Beam Perpendicular to Joists. OBM16



Top edge is braced by sheathing


Bottom edge is braced by joist.

BC CALC® Member Report
Build 7773
Job name: Merryway Residence
Address: 1414 Candy Street
City, State, Zip: Sweet Treat, AR, 75754
Customer:
Code reports: ESR-1040

Double 1-3/4" x 11-7/8" VERSA-LAM® 2.0 3100 SP
Basement Flush Beams/0BM16(2468) (Flush Beam)

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Specifier:
Designer:
Company:


Notes
Design meets Code minimum (L/240) Total load deflection criteria.
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Design meets arbitrary (1") Maximum Total load deflection criteria.
Design meets arbitrary (0.75") Maximum live load deflection criteria.
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Calculations assume unbraced length of Top: 00-00-00, Bottom: 01-07-06.



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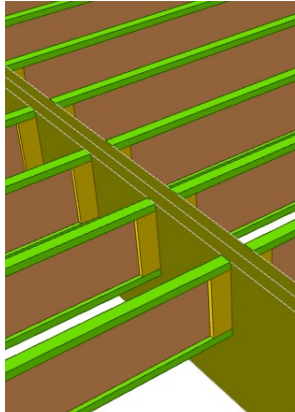
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Custom Beam Bracing – Set to NO



Let's review a few examples:

Flush Beam Perpendicular to Joists. OBM16



Double 1-3/4" x 24" VERSA-LAM® 2.0 3100 SP

Basement/Flush Beams\OBM16(i2691) (Flush Beam)

BC CALC® Member Report Dry | 1 span | No cant. January 28, 2021 22:12:51

Build 7773

Job name:	Merryway Residence	File name:	1-Story Sample Bracing test BCF842.mmdl
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City, State, Zip:	Sweet Treat, AR, 75754	Specifier:	
Customer:		Designer:	
Code reports:	ESR-1040	Company:	


Notes

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 Design meets Code minimum (L/360) Live load deflection criteria.
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 Design meets arbitrary (0.75") Maximum live load deflection criteria.
 BC CALC® analysis is based on IBC 2009.
 Design based on Dry Service Condition.

Calculations assume unbraced length of Top: 00-00-00, Bottom: 01-06-09.


Top edge is fully braced by sheathing.

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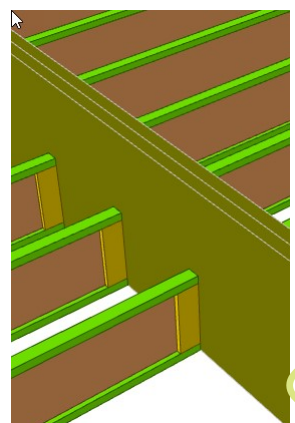
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Custom Beam Bracing – Set to NO



Let's review a few examples:

Flush Beam Perpendicular to Joists. OBM16



Double 1-3/4" x 24" VERSA-LAM® 2.0 3100 SP

Basement/Flush Beams\OBM16(i2690) (Flush Beam)

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Build 7773

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City, State, Zip:	Sweet Treat, AR, 75754	Specifier:	
Customer:		Designer:	
Code reports:	ESR-1040	Company:	


Notes

Design meets Code minimum (L/240) Total load deflection criteria.
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Calculations assume unbraced length of Top: 00-00-00, Bottom: 01-07-06.

Bottom edge is braced by joist.

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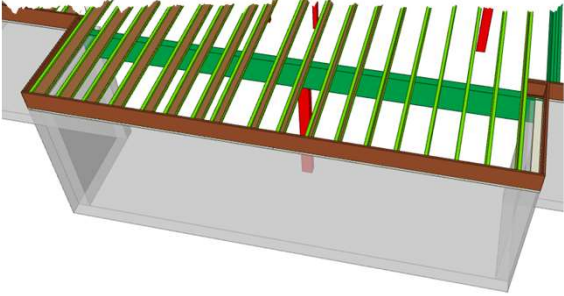
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Custom Beam Bracing – Set to NO



Let's review a few examples:

- Dropped Beam with framing members on top. **OBM2**
 - Intermediate Posts/Column do not provide bracing.



Direct Applied Ceiling should NOT be applied to Dropped Members, allow modeled condition to provide bracing or User defined Bracing.

Triple 1-3/4" x 16" VERSA-LAM® 2.0 3100 SP

Basement/Dropped Beams (OBN2)(2686) (Dropped Beam)

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BC CALC® Member Report
Build 7773
Job name: Merryway Residence
Address: 1414 Candy Street
City, State, Zip: Sweet Treat, AR, 75754
Customer: ESR-1040
File name: 1-Story Sample Bracing test BCF842.mmdl
Description: Basement/Dropped Beams(OBN2)(2683)
Specifier:
Designer:
Company:

Dry | 2 spans | No cant.

Total Horizontal Product Length = 24-02-00

Bearing Supports	Dim. (LxW)	Value	% Allow Support	% Allow Member	Material
B1	Wall/Plate 8" x 5-1/4"	7508 lbs	20.4%	23.8%	Unspecified
B2	Column 5-3/16" x 5-1/4"	12835 lbs	15.8%	63.1%	VL 1.7 2650 SP
B3	Wall/Plate 8" x 5-1/4"	8154 lbs	22.2%	25.9%	Unspecified

Notes
Design meets Code minimum (L240) Total load deflection criteria.
Design meets Code minimum (L360) Live load deflection criteria.
Design meets arbitrary (1") Maximum Total load deflection criteria.
Design meets arbitrary (0.75") Maximum live load deflection criteria.
BC CALC® analysis is based on IBC 2009.
Design based on Dry Service Condition.
Calculations assume unbraced length of Top: 01-07-06, Bottom: 23-05-00.


Top edge is braced by joists

Bottom edge is braced at end bearing supports

Intermediate columns/posts do NOT provide bracing.

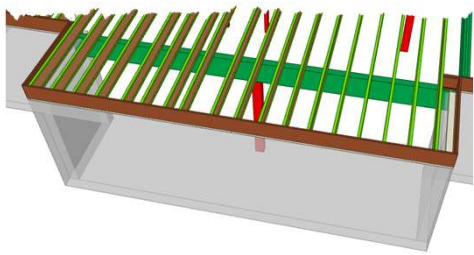
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Custom Beam Bracing – Set to YES



Must specify Top & Bottom Bracing

- BC Framer & BC Calc Member Report will highlight "USER INPUT"



Triple 1-3/4" x 16" VERSA-LAM® 2.0 3100 SP

Basement/Dropped Beams(OBM2)(2683) (Dropped Beam)

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BC CALC® Member Report
Build 7773
Job name: Merryway Residence
Address: 1414 Candy Street
City, State, Zip: Sweet Treat, AR, 75754
Customer: ESR-1040
File name: 1-Story Sample Bracing test BCF842.mmdl
Description: Basement/Dropped Beams(OBN2)(2683)
Specifier:
Designer:
Company:

Dry | 2 spans | No cant.

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Design based on Dry Service Condition.
Calculation based on user input of unbraced length of Top: 01-07-02 and Bottom: 11-06-07.

Bracing

Use Custom Bracing: Yes

Member Top Bracing: User Defined

Unbraced Length: 1' 7 1/8"


Member Bottom Bracing: Braced At Supports

Calculation is based on User Input!

Note: you can set Use Custom Bracing to yes
If column has a cap plate or a pier you can set to Braced at supports. See Engineering recommendations

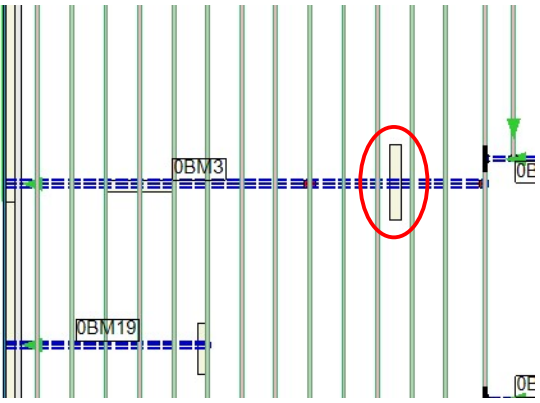
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Custom Beam Bracing – Set to NO



Let's review a few examples:

- Dropped Beam with framing members on top. **OBM3**
 - Perpendicular wall provides bracing
 - Parallel wall does NOT provide bracing






Double 1-3/4" x 11-7/8" VERSA-LAM® 2.0 3100 SP

Basement/Dropped Beams(OBM3)(2681) (Dropped Beam)

Dry | 4 spans | No cant.

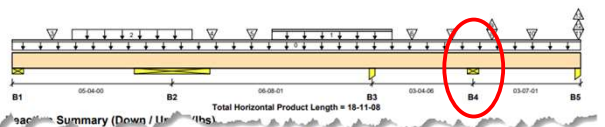
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Address: 1414 Candy Street
City, State, Zip: Sweet Treat, AR, 75754
Customer:
Code reports: ESR-1040

File name: 1-Story Sample Bracing test BCF842.mxd
Description: Basement/Dropped Beams(OBM3)(2681)
Specifier:
Designer:
Company:



Total Horizontal Product Length = 18-11-08

Bearing Supports Summary (Down / Up) (lbs)					
Bearing Supports	Dim. (LxW)	Value	% Allow Support	% Allow Member	Material
B1	Wall/Plate 8" x 3-1/2"	1194 lbs	4.9%	5.7%	Unspecified
B2	Wall/Plate 30-1/4" x 3-1/2"	6337 lbs	7.5%	8.0%	Unspecified
B3	Column 5-1/8" x 3-1/2"	4182 lbs	7.7%	31.0%	VL 1.7 2850 SP
B4	Wall/Plate 5-1/2" x 3-1/2"	3089 lbs	37.8%	21.4%	Spruce-Pine-Fir
B5	Column 3-1/2" x 3-1/2"	2800 lbs	7.6%	30.5%	VL 1.7 2850 SP


Notes
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 Design based on Dry Service Condition.
 Calculations assume unbraced length of Top: 01-04-14, Bottom: 14-05-11.

Bottom edge bracing @ perpendicular wall

Top edge bracing at joist

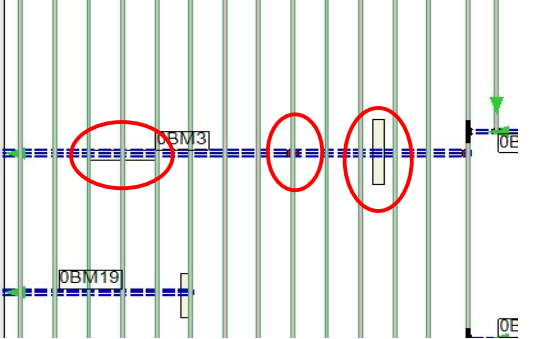
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Custom Beam Bracing – Set to YES



Let's review a few examples:

- Dropped Beam with framing members on top. **OBM3**
 - Perpendicular wall provides bracing
 - Set Custom Bracing for bottom edge to: Braced @ Supports






Double 1-3/4" x 11-7/8" VERSA-LAM® 2.0 3100 SP

Basement/Dropped Beams(OBM3)(2688) (Dropped Beam)

Dry | 4 spans | No cant.

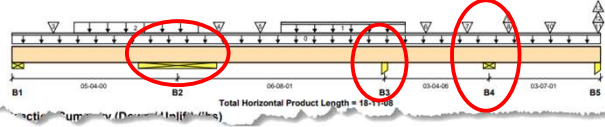
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Customer:
Code reports: ESR-1040

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Specifier:
Designer:
Company:



Total Horizontal Product Length = 18-11-08

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Bearing Supports	Dim. (LxW)	Value	% Allow Support	% Allow Member	Material
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 Design based on Dry Service Condition.
 Calculation based on user input of unbraced length of Top: 01-07-03 and Bottom: 05-02-06.

Notice the change to Bottom Edge Bracing

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Custom Beam Bracing – Set to NO

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Let's review a few examples:

- Garage Header w/no members framing into header. **Hd20**
- Headers input with Quick Opening Function are Fully braced.

Ver 8.4.2 member is fully braced - incorrect

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Custom Beam Bracing – Set to NO

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Let's review a few examples:

- Window Header on Gable end wall. **Hd6**
- Headers input with Quick Opening Function braced at bearings
- ALL Headers with Gable sitting on top assume bracing @ Ends
- Dropped Beams as Header in Gable end wall. **1BM21**

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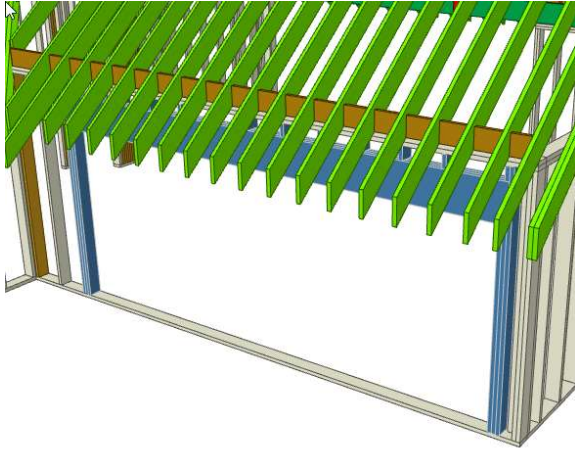
Custom Beam Bracing – Set to NO



Let's review a few examples:

Garage Header with framing members above. **Hd16**

Headers input using Quick Opening Function are Fully Braced



Triple 1-3/4" x 14" VERSA-LAM® 2.0 3100 SP **PASSED**
1st Floor/Wall Headers/E18_Hd16(2494) (Wall Header)
 Dry | 1 span | No cant. January 28, 2021 23:19:35

BC CALC® Member Report
 Build 7773
 Job name: Merryway Residence
 Address: 1414 Candy Street
 City, State, Zip: Sweet Treat, AR, 75754
 Customer:
 Code reports: ESR-1040

File name: 1-Story Sample Bracing test BCF842.mxd
 Description: 1st Floor/Wall Headers/E18_Hd16(2494)
 Specifier:
 Designer:
 Company:

Reaction Summary (Down / Uplift) (lbs)

Beading	Live	Dead	Snow	Wind	Roof Live
B1: 3"	1049 / 0	2024 / 0			1347 / 0
B2: 3"	1072 / 0	2077 / 0			1382 / 0

Load Summary

Tag	Description	Load Type	Ref.	Start	End	Loc.	100%	80%	115%	160%	125%	Tributary
0	Self-Weight	Unif. Lin. (lb/ft)	L	00-00-00	16-06-00	Top			21			00-00-00
1	Smoothed Load	Unif. Lin. (lb/ft)	L	00-00-00	00-09-04	Top			72	167		n/a
2	Smoothed Load	Unif. Lin. (lb/ft)	L	00-07-04	16-06-00	Top			107	248		n/a

Controls Summary

Pos.	Moment	Value	% Allowable	Duration	Case	Location
	End Shear	12235 ft-lbs	89.4%	115%	2	08-03-00
	Total Load Deflection	L/811 (0.239")	29.6%	n/a	2	08-03-00
	Live Load Deflection	L/1231 (0.157")	29.2%	n/a	4	08-03-00
	Max Defl.	0.239"	23.9%	n/a	2	08-03-00
	Span / Depth	13.8				

Bearing Supports

Dim. (LxW)	Value	% Allow Support	% Allow Member	Material
B1 Wall/Plate 3" x 5-1/4"	3073 lbs	24.4%	26.0%	Unspecified
B2 Wall/Plate 3" x 5-1/4"	3149 lbs	25.0%	26.7%	Unspecified

Notes

- Design meets User specified (L/240) Total load deflection criteria.
- Design meets User specified (L/960) Live load deflection criteria.
- Design meets arbitrary (1") Maximum Total load deflection criteria.
- Design meets arbitrary (0.75") Maximum live load deflection criteria.
- BC CALC® analysis is based on IBC 2009.
- Design based on Dry Service Condition.
- Calculations assume member is fully braced.

Ver 8.4.2 Header is <6" below top plate bottom edge incorrectly shows bottom fully braced



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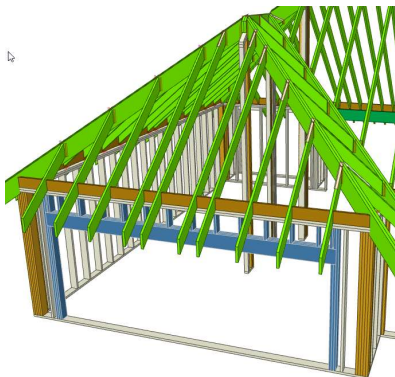
Custom Beam Bracing – Set to NO



Let's review a few examples:

Garage Header with framing members above. **Hd17**

Header input using Quick Opening function



Triple 1-3/4" x 9-1/2" VERSA-LAM® 2.0 3100 SP **PASSED**
1st Floor/Wall Headers/E20_Hd17(2353) (Wall Header)
 Dry | 1 span | No cant. January 28, 2021 23:24:22

BC CALC® Member Report
 Build 7773
 Job name: Merryway Residence
 Address: 1414 Candy Street
 City, State, Zip: Sweet Treat, AR, 75754
 Customer:
 Code reports: ESR-1040

File name: 1-Story Sample Bracing test BCF842.mxd
 Description: 1st Floor/Wall Headers/E20_Hd17(2353)
 Specifier:
 Designer:
 Company:

Reaction Summary (Down / Uplift) (lbs)

Beading	Live	Dead	Snow	Wind	Roof Live
B1: 3"	1049 / 0	2024 / 0			1347 / 0
B2: 3"	1072 / 0	2077 / 0			1382 / 0

Load Summary

Tag	Description	Load Type	Ref.	Start	End	Loc.	100%	80%	115%	160%	125%	Tributary
0	Self-Weight	Unif. Lin. (lb/ft)	L	00-00-00	16-06-00	Top			21			00-00-00
1	Smoothed Load	Unif. Lin. (lb/ft)	L	00-00-00	00-09-04	Top			72	167		n/a
2	Smoothed Load	Unif. Lin. (lb/ft)	L	00-07-04	16-06-00	Top			107	248		n/a

Controls Summary

Pos.	Moment	Value	% Allowable	Duration	Case	Location
	End Shear	2130 lbs	16.9%	18.0%	2	08-03-00
	Total Load Deflection	L/811 (0.239")	29.6%	n/a	2	08-03-00
	Live Load Deflection	L/1231 (0.157")	29.2%	n/a	4	08-03-00
	Max Defl.	0.239"	23.9%	n/a	2	08-03-00
	Span / Depth	13.8				

Bearing Supports

Dim. (LxW)	Value	% Allow Support	% Allow Member	Material
B1 Wall/Plate 3" x 5-1/4"	2130 lbs	16.9%	18.0%	Unspecified
B2 Wall/Plate 3" x 5-1/4"	2131 lbs	16.9%	18.0%	Unspecified

Notes


- Design meets User specified (L/240) Total load deflection criteria.
- Design meets User specified (L/960) Live load deflection criteria.
- Design meets arbitrary (1") Maximum Total load deflection criteria.
- Design meets arbitrary (0.75") Maximum live load deflection criteria.
- BC CALC® analysis is based on IBC 2009.
- Design based on Dry Service Condition.
- Calculations assume member is fully braced.

Ver 8.4.2 Header is <6" below top plate bottom edge incorrectly shows bottom fully braced



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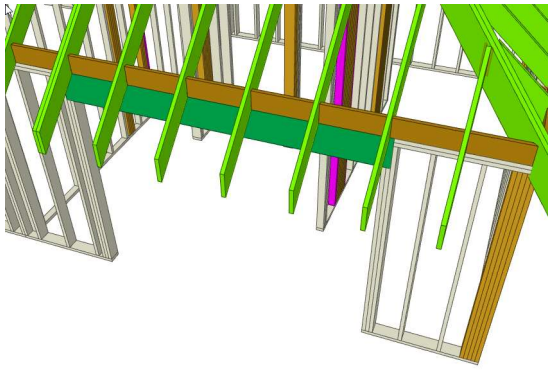
Custom Beam Bracing – Set to NO




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Let's review a few examples:

- Garage Header with framing members above. **1BM12**
- Header input as dropped Beam





Double 1-3/4" x 11-7/8" VERSA-LAM® 2.0 3100 SP **PASSED**

1st Floor/Dropped Beams(1BM12)(2465) (Dropped Beam)

Dry | 1 span | No cant. January 26, 2021 23:15:54

BC CALCS Member Report
Build 7773

Job name: Merryway Residence
Address: 1414 Candy Street
City, State, Zip: Sweet Treat, AR, 75754
Customer: Merryway Residence
Code reports: ESR-1040

File name: 1-Story Sample Bracing test BCF842.mxd
Description: 1st Floor/Dropped Beams(1BM12)(2465)
Specifier: Merryway Residence
Designer: Merryway Residence
Company: Merryway Residence

Reaction Summary (Down / Uplift) (lbs)		Snow		Wind		Roof Live	
Bearing	Live	Dead	100%	100%	180%	180%	125%
B1, 3"	568 / 0	1233 / 0	821 / 0				
B2, 3"	504 / 0	1017 / 0	678 / 0				


Load Summary		Live		Dead		Snow		Wind		Roof Live		Tributary	
Tag	Description	Load Type	Ref	Start	End	Loc.	100%	90%	115%	180%	125%		
0	Self-Weight	Unf. Lin. (lb/ft)	L	00-00-00	10-00-00	Top	12						00-00-00
1	Smoothed Load	Unf. Lin. (lb/ft)	L	00-00-00	05-03-12	Top	106	244	162				n/a
2	Smoothed Load	Trapezoidal (lb/ft)	L	05-03-12	10-06-00	Top	94	218	145				n/a

Controls Summary		Value		% Allowable		Duration		Case		Location		
Pos. Moment	3713 R-lbs	15.6%	115%	2	04-03-12							
End Shear	1233 lbs	13.6%	115%	2	01-02-14							
Total Load Deflection	L/999 (0.069')	n/a	n/a	2	05-02-04							
Live Load Deflection	L/999 (0.046')	n/a	n/a	4	05-02-04							
Max Defl.	0.069'	n/a	n/a	2	05-02-04							
Span / Depth	10.2											

Bearing Supports		Dim. (LxW)		Value		% Allow Support		% Allow Member		Material	
B1	Wall/Plate	3" x 3-1/2"	1831 lbs	41.0%	23.3%	Spruce-Pine-Fir					
B2	Wall/Plate	3" x 3-1/2"	1521 lbs	34.1%	19.3%	Spruce-Pine-Fir					

Notes
 Design meets Code minimum (L240) Total load deflection criteria.
 Design meets Code minimum (L580) Live load deflection criteria.
 Design meets arbitrary (1") Maximum Total load deflection criteria.
 Design meets arbitrary (0.75") Maximum live load deflection criteria.
 BC CALCS analysis is based on IBC 2009.
 Design based on Dry Service Condition.
 Calculations assume unbraced length of Top: 01-10-08, Bottom: 01-10-08.


Top & Bottom Edge - braced @ joist O/C - Incorrect



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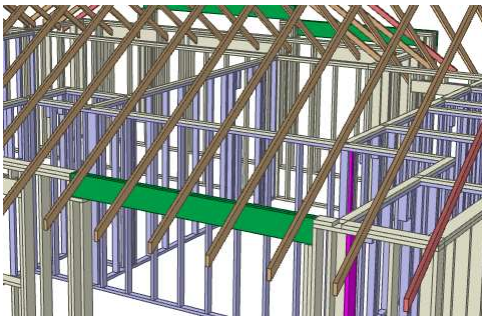
Custom Beam Bracing – Set to NO




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Let's review a few examples:

- Header with Roof Trusses above. **1BM20**
- Header input as dropped Beam





Double 1-3/4" x 9-1/2" VERSA-LAM® 2.0 3100 SP **PASSED**

1st Floor/Dropped Beams(1BM20)(2623) (Dropped Beam)

Dry | 1 span | No cant. February 3, 2021 09:21:18

BC CALCS Member Report
Build 7888

Job name: Merryway Residence
Address: 1414 Candy Street
City, State, Zip: Sweet Treat, AR, 75754
Customer: Merryway Residence
Code reports: ESR-1040

File name: 1-Story Sample Bracing test BCF843.mxd
Description: 1st Floor/Dropped Beams(1BM20)(2623)
Specifier: Merryway Residence
Designer: Merryway Residence
Company: Merryway Residence


Reaction Summary (Down / Uplift) (lbs)		Snow		Wind		Roof Live	
Bearing	Live	Dead	100%	100%	180%	180%	125%
B1, 3"	1581 / 0	2245 / 0	1505 / 0				
B2, 6-3/16"	1288 / 0	2249 / 0	1505 / 0				

Load Summary		Live		Dead		Snow		Wind		Roof Live		Tributary	
Tag	Description	Load Type	Ref	Start	End	Loc.	100%	90%	115%	180%	125%		
0	Self-Weight	Unf. Lin. (lb/ft)	L	00-00-00	08-11-01	Top	10						00-00-00
1	Smoothed Load	Unf. Lin. (lb/ft)	L	00-00-00	08-11-01	Top	346	504	337				n/a

Controls Summary		Value		% Allowable		Duration		Case		Location		
Pos. Moment	6421 R-lbs	40.8%	115%	2	04-03-12							
End Shear	2302 lbs	31.7%	115%	2	01-02-08							
Total Load Deflection	L/993 (0.149')	38.2%	n/a	2	04-03-12							
Live Load Deflection	L/996 (0.087')	n/a	n/a	4	04-03-12							
Max Defl.	0.149'	n/a	n/a	2	04-03-12							
Span / Depth	10.4											

Bearing Supports		Dim. (LxW)		Value		% Allow Support		% Allow Member		Material	
B1	Wall/Plate	3" x 3-1/2"	3820 lbs	n/a	48.0%	Unspecified					
B2	Wall/Plate	6-3/16" x 3-1/2"	3820 lbs	n/a	22.3%	Unspecified					

Notes
 Design meets Code minimum (L240) Total load deflection criteria.
 Design meets Code minimum (L580) Live load deflection criteria.
 Design meets arbitrary (1") Maximum Total load deflection criteria.
 Design meets arbitrary (0.75") Maximum live load deflection criteria.
 BC CALCS analysis is based on IBC 2009.
 Design based on Dry Service Condition.
 Calculations assume unbraced length of Top: 01-10-08, Bottom: 08-11-01.




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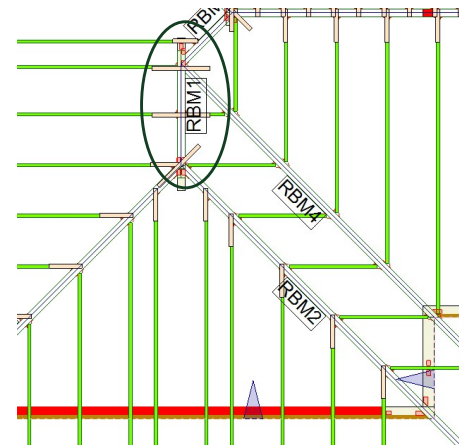
Custom Beam Bracing – Set to NO



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Let's review a few examples:

- Flush Ridge Beam. **RBM1**
- Ridge beam same depth as rafters



BC CALC® Member Report
Build 7773

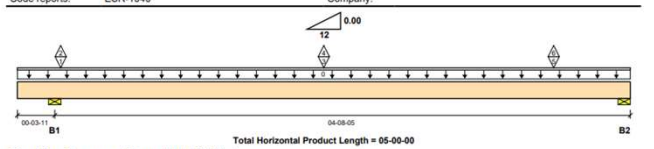
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Address: 1414 Candy Street
City, State, Zip: Sweet Treat, AR, 75754
Customer:
Code reports: ESR-1040

Double 1-3/4" x 11-7/8" VERSA-LAM® 2.0 3100 SP
1st Floor/Flush Roof Beams/**RBM1**(I2314) (Flush Roof Beam)

File name: 1-Story Sample Bracing test BCF842.mmdl
Description: 1st Floor/Flush Roof Beams/RBM1(I2314)
Specifier:
Designer:
Company:

January 29, 2021 08:20:35
Dry | 2 spans | L cant.

PASSED




Reaction Summary (Down / Uplift) (lbs)

Notes
Design meets Code minimum (L/180) Total load deflection criteria.
Design meets Code minimum (L/240) Live load deflection criteria.
Design meets arbitrary (1") Maximum Total load deflection criteria.
Design meets arbitrary (1") Cantilever Maximum Total load deflection criteria.
Design meets arbitrary (0.75") Maximum live load deflection criteria.
BC CALC® analysis is based on IBC 2009.
Design based on Dry Service Condition.
Cantilevers require sheathed bottom flanges, blocking at cantilever support and closure at end.
Calculations assume unbraced length of Top: 00-04-04, Bottom: 02-01-12.

Bottom is braced @ Joist O/C


Top is braced By sheathing



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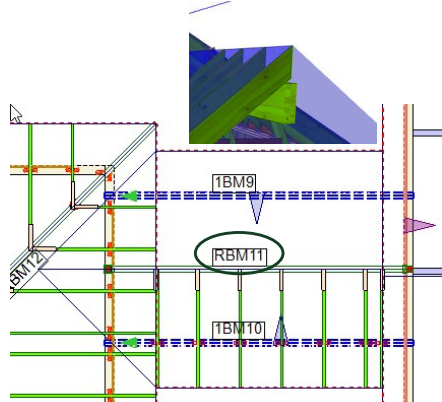
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Let's review a few examples:

- Dropped Ridge Beam. **RBM11**



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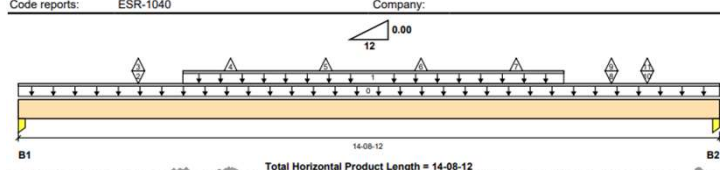
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Double 1-3/4" x 11-7/8" VERSA-LAM® 2.0 3100 SP
1st Floor/Dropped Roof Beams/**RBM11**(I1839) (Dropped Roof Beam)

File name: 1-Story Sample Bracing test BCF842.mmdl
Description: 1st Floor/Dropped Roof Beams/RBM11(I1839)
Specifier:
Designer:
Company:


January 29, 2021 08:27:07
Dry | 1 span | No cant.

PASSED



Notes
Design meets Code minimum (L/180) Total load deflection criteria.
Design meets Code minimum (L/240) Live load deflection criteria.
Design meets arbitrary (1") Maximum Total load deflection criteria.
Design meets arbitrary (0.75") Maximum live load deflection criteria.
BC CALC® analysis is based on IBC 2009.
Design based on Dry Service Condition.
Calculations assume unbraced length of Top: 02-06-04, Bottom: 02-06-04.


Top & Bottom Edge – braced @ joist O/C - Incorrect



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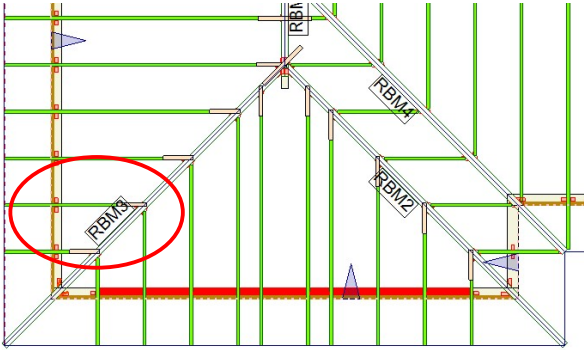
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Custom Beam Bracing – Set to NO



Let's review a few examples:

- Roof Line Beam as a Valley/ Hip. **RMB3**



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Address: 1414 Candy Street
City, State, Zip: Sweet Treat, AR, 75754
Customer: ESR-1040
Code reports: ESR-1040

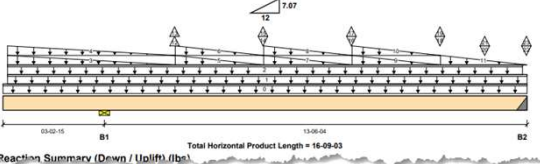
Double 1-3/4" x 11-7/8" VERSA-LAM® 2.0 3100 SP
1st Floor/Flush Roof Beams (RMB3) (2345) (Flush Roof Beam)

Dry | 2 spans | L cant.

January 28, 2021 08:36:39

PASSED

File name: 1-Story Sample Bracing test BCF342.rvt
Description: 1st Floor/Flush Roof Beams (RMB3) (2345)
Specifier: Designer:
Company:



Reaction Summary (Down / Uplift) (lbs)

Bearing Supports	Dim. (LxW)	Value	% Allow Support	% Allow Member	Material
B1	Wall/Plate 7'-3/4" x 3'-1/2"	1054 lbs	4.9%	5.2%	Unspecified
B2	Hanger 2" x 3'-1/2"	1507 lbs	n/a	28.7%	Hanger

Slope and Cut Length

Plumb Cut with Hanger to ds. top plate	Slope	Fascia Depth	Horiz. Length	Product Length
7.07112	13'-13/16"	16'-09-03	20'-00-08	


Cautions

Hanger model Hanger is not found. Hanger has not been analyzed for adequate capacity.

Notes


Design meets Code minimum (L/180) Total load deflection criteria.
Design meets Code minimum (L/240) Live load deflection criteria.
Design meets arbitrary (1") Maximum Total load deflection criteria.
Design meets arbitrary (1") Cantilever Maximum Total load deflection criteria.
Design meets arbitrary (0.75") Maximum live load deflection criteria.
Hanger Manufacturer: Unassigned
BC CALCS analysis is based on BIC 2009.
Design based on Dry Service Condition.
Cantilevers require sheathed bottom flanges, blocking at cantilever support and closure at ends.
Calculations assume unbraced length of Top: 00-02-00, Bottom: 03-04-11.

Member is continuously Braced - Sheathing on top edge and Joist for bottom edge.

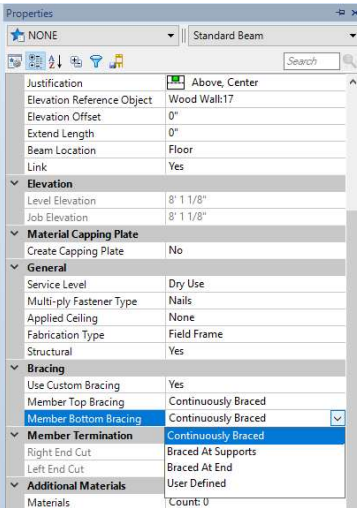



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Custom Beam Bracing – Set to YES



- Must specify Top & Bottom Bracing
- Continuously Braced
 - Sheathing, direct applied ceiling, wall along full length
- Braced at Supports
 - Posts & Columns and Parallel Walls will be considered brace points
- Braced at Ends
- User defined
 - Must specify the maximum unbraced length





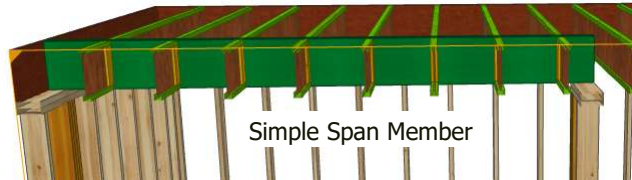
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Fully Braced Definition (BCCalc) Continually Braced (BC Framer & Mitek Structure)

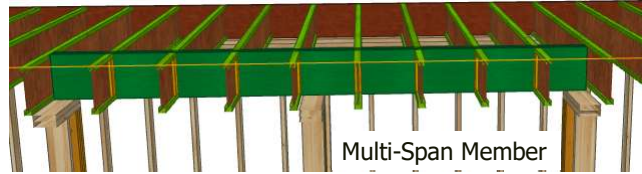


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For full length, top and bottom side is sheathed or has perpendicular framing 24" o.c. or less



For full length, top and bottom side is sheathed or has perpendicular framing 24" o.c. or less



- Top and bottom side are laterally braced and restrained at supports to prevent rotation
- Supports are assumed to not move in any direction
- If wind load uplift does not exist on simple span or multi-span member then sheathing or bracing on bottom side of member is not required.

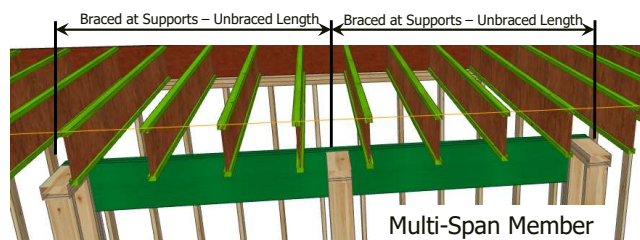
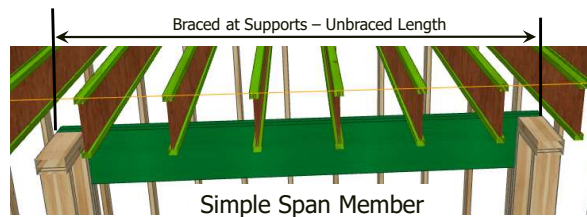
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Braced at Supports Definition (BCCalc, BC Framer & Mitek Structure)



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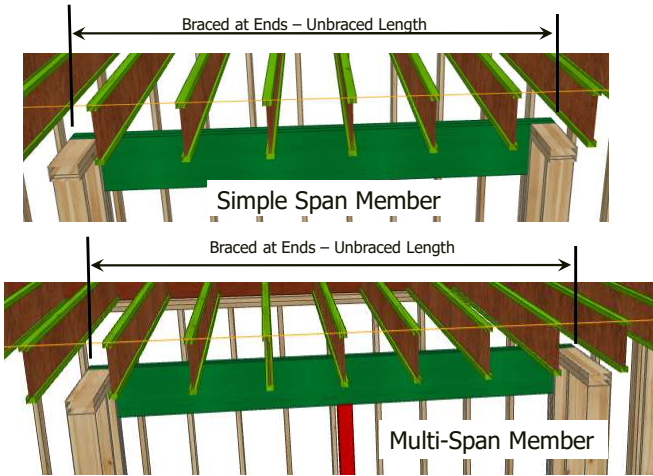


- Top and bottom side are laterally braced and restrained at supports only to prevent rotation
- Supports are assumed to not move in any direction
- Some adjustments are made at bearing location depending on assumed bearing size & type.

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Braced at ends Definition (BCCalc, BC Framing & Mitek Structure)



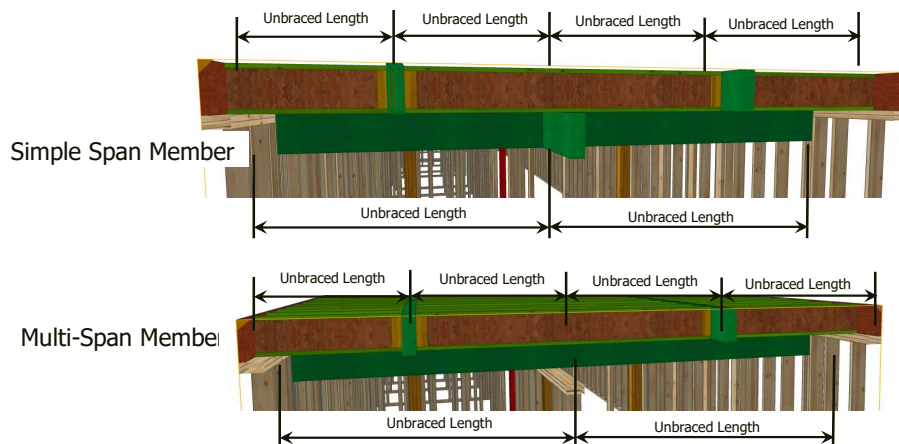
- Top and bottom side are laterally braced and restrained at ends only to prevent rotation
- Supports at ends are assumed to not move in any direction
- Interior bearing(s) assumed they can move perpendicular to member length
- Some adjustments are made at bearing location depending on assumed bearing size & type.



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Specify Unbraced Length Definition (BCCalc, BC Framing & Mitek Structure)



- Top and bottom side are laterally braced and restrained at supports to prevent rotation
- Supports are assumed to not move in any direction
- If wind load uplift does not exist on simple span or multi-span member then sheathing or bracing on bottom side of member is not required.



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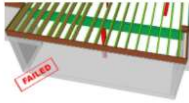
Custom Bracing



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User-Defined Custom Bracing

Why is my beam now failing? What changed? What now?



If you have upgraded to BC Framer® version 8.4.1 or newer, you may have noticed an occasional beam that fails design, when it was passing in prior versions.

The difference comes from a change in how beam bracing is considered in the analysis!

Starting in version 8.4.1, BC Framer® more accurately evaluates the modeled members based on their bracing conditions. When the modeled bracing condition is insufficient to prevent the potential for buckling under the applied loads, the member may fail in Moment.

What changed?

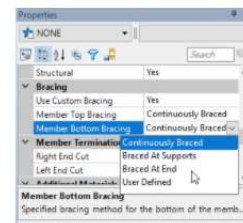
BC Framer® version 8.4.1 or newer now looks at the modeled framing condition to evaluate the bracing points for both top edge and bottom edge of beam and header members and applies reductions to the Moment capacity per applicable building code provisions in cases where the distance between bracing points is too large to prevent the potential for buckling.

What conditions are affected?

All beams and headers go through the same analysis for bracing conditions. If a beam or header does not have custom bracing specified, it will use the modeled conditions to precisely determine bracing and apply that in member analysis.

How do I resolve the issue?

1. Check the member report - if you have a failure in Moment, scroll down to the Notes section of the report and view the bracing conditions (fully braced or assumed unbraced lengths). Anything other than "fully braced" indicates that bracing conditions may be the cause of the Moment failure in a member that previously passed.
2. Confirm the Bracing conditions - if the reported bracing conditions accurately reflect the real world installed conditions then you need to address the failure by increasing the beam width as appropriate or by cutting multiple span members at an intermediate support to create simple span members. Our Technical Services team is available to help should you need it.
3. If the bracing conditions in the report do not accurately reflect the real world installed conditions - adjust as needed by editing the member properties (**Properties > Bracing**).
4. Set **Bracing: Use Custom Bracing** to **Yes** for the member in question:
 - Specify **Member Top Bracing** and **Member Bottom Bracing**
 - Re-run analysis



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