

**TABLE 8-8A**  
**STRENGTH VALUES FOR EXISTING MATERIALS**

EXISTING MATERIALS OR CONFIGURATIONS OF MATERIALS <sup>1</sup>	STRENGTH LEVEL CAPACITY x14.594 for N/m
1. Horizontal diaphragms <sup>2</sup> 1.1 Roofs with straight sheathing and roofing applied directly to the sheathing 1.2 Roofs with diagonal sheathing and roofing applied directly to the sheathing 1.3 Floors with straight tongue-and-groove sheathing 1.4 Floors with straight sheathing and finished wood flooring with board edges offset or perpendicular 1.5 Floors with diagonal sheathing and finished	300 lbs per foot for seismic shear  750 lbs per foot for seismic shear  300 lbs per foot for seismic shear 1,500 lbs per foot for seismic shear  1,800 lbs per foot for seismic shear
2. Crosswalls <sup>2,3</sup> 2.1 Plaster on wood or metal lath 2.2 Plaster on gypsum lath 2.3 Gypsum wallboard, unblocked edges 2.4 Gypsum wallboard, blocked edges	Per side: 600 lbs per foot for seismic shear 550 lbs per foot for seismic shear 200 lbs per foot for seismic shear 400 lbs per foot for seismic shear
3. Existing footings, wood framing, structural steel and reinforcing steel 3.1 Plain concrete footings 3.2 Douglas fir wood 3.3 Reinforcing steel 3.4 Structural steel	$f'_c = 1,500$ psi (10.34 MPa) unless otherwise shown by tests <sup>3</sup> Allowable stress same as D.F. No. 1 <sup>3</sup> $f_t = 40,000$ lbs per square inch (124.1 N/mm <sup>2</sup> ) maximum $f_s = 33,000$ lbs per square inch (137.9 N/mm <sup>2</sup> ) maximum

<sup>1</sup>Material must be sound and in good condition.

<sup>2</sup>Shear values of these materials may be combined, except the total combined value shall not exceed 900 pounds per foot (13,140 N/m).

<sup>3</sup>Stresses given may be increased for combinations of loads as specified in the regular code.