

**HOOVER TREATED WOOD PRODUCTS, INC.**

## ***TECHNICAL NOTE***

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# **DUAL TREATMENT WITH FIRE RETARDANT AND PRESERVATIVE**

Currently, no single treatment is available that provides both exterior fire retardant and preservative protection.

Dual treatment is sometimes suggested as a means of providing both properties. However, dual-treated wood cannot be certified as either fire retardant or preservative treated. No Underwriters Laboratories or other fire retardant flamespread classification mark can be applied, and no preservative identification mark can be applied to dual treated wood. Without third party certification, dual treatment will not meet the Building Code requirements for either fire retardant treatment or preservative treatment.

Dual-treatment would require pressure treatment and kiln drying twice, the effects on design values or other properties are unknown.

Naturally durable species such as redwood or western red cedar treated with *Exterior Fire X*® have been substituted for above ground applications calling for dual treatment. *Pyro-Guard*® *plus* is available for interior, dry in service, weather protected applications where decay or termites may be of concern. Both products are code compliant where fire retardant treated wood is allowed by the building codes.

For information on *Exterior Fire X*®, *Pyro-Guard*® *plus* or other Hoover products, go to [www.frtw.com](http://www.frtw.com) or call 1-800-531-5558.

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