

Standard Grading Rules for Southern Pine Lumber

Management of Change Form



Name of Person Requesting the Change: ALSC / NGR Committee

Date of Requested Change: 11/3/2023

Request Title: Add provision for allowing a wane dip on the end of a piece (No. 2 and worse grades).

Printed Date: TBD

Change Category:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Proposal to align with National Grading Rule | <input type="checkbox"/> Proposal to align with SPIB governance |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Proposal to align with ALSC Enforcement Regs | <input type="checkbox"/> Proposal based on Resource Monitoring Program |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Proposal to align with PS 20 | <input type="checkbox"/> Grade Rule - Addition |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Editorial change to existing content | <input type="checkbox"/> Grade Rule – Removal |

Description of Proposed Change: *(In very few words, what does the proposed change accomplish?)*

Allows a wane dip to occur on the end of a piece provided it does not exceed the hole size in length. The provision does not apply to No. 1 and better grades.

Rationale: *(Briefly explain why the proposal should be adopted?)*

To align with the changes to the National Grading Rule and National Grading Rule Interpretations passed at the 2023 ALSC Annual Meeting.

Proposal: *(Show new, revised, or deleted text exactly as it would appear in the legislative format: ~~Line through text~~ to be deleted. Underline text to be added. If possible, avoid using the “track changes” tool; instead, use the “strikethrough” and “underline” features in the font menu. Please note section(s) to be deleted if revisions are extensive and include replacement text. Please make every effort to include the text within this section, not as a separate attachment. Do not include unaffected sections, tables, or figures unless it is necessary to demonstrate the relationship of proposed revisions.)*

750. Wane

- (a) **Bark or lack of wood** from any cause, except eased edges, on the edge or corner of a piece of lumber.
- (b) **Wane Dip** - Wane away from ends extending partially or completely across any face is permitted for one foot if no more serious than skips in dressing allowed or across a narrow face if no more damaging than the knot hole allowed (not to exceed in length twice the diameter of the maximum knot hole allowed in the grade) and is limited to one occurrence in each piece. These variations shall not be allowed in more than 5% of the pieces. (This provision applies only to the National Grading Rule for Dimension Lumber.)
- (c) Excluding No.1 and higher grades, Wane dip can occur on ends provided: Wane dip on end can be the length of allowable hole and no deeper than allowable skip for grade.

751. A wane dip extends across a surface to occupy full surface for a part of length.

- (a) A **very short** wane dip occupies full surface for not over 4" of length.
- (b) A **short** wane dip occupies full surface for not over 16" of length.

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Wane as interpreted by the National Grading Rule for Dimension Lumber:

WANE: In reference to Section 750, wane is permitted to extend partially or completely through the narrow face provided it does not displace more area than the allowable hole and does not exceed in length more than twice the allowable hole diameter. Wane is permitted to extend partially or completely across any face provided it does not exceed the depth of the specified skip nor exceed one foot in length. Such wane permitted in the grade description shall be measured at the point that wane exceeds the maximum thickness or width provision as stated in the grade. Wane extending partially or completely across any face shall be included in the assessment of equivalent wane. **"Away from ends" means such wane shall not appear on the end section of the piece (see Figure 23).**

Supporting Information:

Excerpt from 2023 ALSC Annual meeting minutes:

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A) Saddle Wane Revision

Mr. Easterling requested that Mr. Fantozzi from PUB, who had proposed the item in May, give the background for this proposed change. Mr. Fantozzi called upon Mr. Belden and Mr. Maraviov to explain the reasoning behind the suggested change. Examples of currently allowed wane, holes, and skip were sighted as a rationale to permit the suggested change to saddle wane. They stated that the proposed change is less severe than the currently allowed wane, manufactured holes, or skip and that it would permit the inclusion of several otherwise rejected pieces that seem to have good wood in them. There was a clarification made by Mr. Conway that explained how ALSC would be interpreting this revised change. The parties who proposed the revision agreed to this interpretation. Mr. Easterling made a motion which was seconded by Mr. Fantozzi to have the Committee endorse adding new subsection (c) to Section 750 Wane on page 20 of the NGR and remove the last sentence under wane description on page 34 of the NGR interpretations section.

The motion passed unanimously.

Motion: The Committee endorses adding new subsection (c) to Section 750 Wane on page 20 which reads:

(c) Excluding No.1 and higher grades, Wane dip can occur on ends provided: Wane dip on end can be the length of allowable hole and no deeper than allowable skip for grade.

and remove last sentence under wane description on page 34 of the NGR interpretations section and:

WANE: in reference to paragraph 750, wane is permitted to extend partially or completely through the narrow face provided it does not displace more area than the allowable hole and does not exceed in length more than twice the allowable hole diameter. Wane is permitted to extend partially or completely across any face provided it does not exceed the depth of the specified skip nor exceed one foot in length. Such wane permitted in the grade description shall be measured at the point that wane exceeds the maximum thickness or width provision as stated in the grade. Wane extending partially or completely across any face shall be included in the assessment of equivalent wane. **"Away from ends" means such wane shall not appear on the end section of the piece.**

Moved by: Mr. Jeff Easterling		Seconded by: Mr. Jeff Fantozzi	
Yes	Unanimous	No	Abstain

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