Title: Maximum Cross-Sectional Area of Top Angle

Purpose: Review the meaning of and need for the terminology “maximum cross sectional area of top angle”. In 3.10.5.2 & 3.10.6.2, “maximum cross-sectional area of the top angle” should be “participating area at the roof-to-shell junction”.

Impact: Will correct incorrect wording.

Rationale: The current wording is incorrect. The provisions should require an increase in the total participating area, not just in the top angle. Some of the details permitted by the standard do not incorporate top angles. The current wording could not be applied when using these details.

Existing Text

3.10.5.2 (SI Units)
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3.10.5.2 (US Customary Units)
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Proposed Changes

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Note: Proposed changes to existing wording are shown in bold italic font.