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I have worked with the Basement Tuxedo interior finishing system by Advanced Basement Products over the past year. The finishing system consists of 2 ½" perimeter (or interior) panels and 4" partition panels. The panels are constructed of high-density foam sandwiched between and bonded to two pieces of ¼" MgO board.

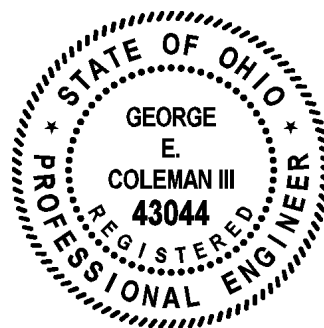
Each panel is secured in place by installing 20-gage steel L-channels to the existing floor and by attaching similar L-channels to the bottom of the floor framing joists. Masonry or wood anchors are used as appropriate for this attachment. The perimeter panels are then attached to the L-channel with 4" drywall screws with flat washers from the finished side of the panels.

Where partition panels are needed, 20-gage L-channels are installed at the top and bottom in a similar manner as above. The partition panels are secured to the L-channels with #10x3/4" self-tapping sheet metal screws. Joints are finished with a spline to provide a virtually seamless finished appearance. Base and crown molding may be installed in a manner similar to that used on conventionally framed walls.

I have had the opportunity to compare the Basement Tuxedo interior finishing system with other products that are presently being marketed by other companies. In my professional opinion the Basement Tuxedo system is superior to competitive products in terms of basic design, strength and finished appearance.

Respectfully Submitted, 

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