# Aluminum

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apco standard and decorative aluminum products are used in various applications in the Commercial, Utility, Municipality, and Department of Transportation markets. For over 60 years, Hapco has been considered a leader in the light pole industry and has products in every state of the US, Puerto Rico, and several international countries. Our history of proven performance, coupled with our exclusive Lifetime Warranty on aluminum pole assemblies, make Hapco the trusted industry source.

A partial listing of Hapco customers is provided below.



Proven Performance Venetian Causeway, Miami, FL, Installed Circa 1951

#### Utility

Alabama Power Alliant Energy American Electric Power **Austin Energy** Baltimore Gas & Electric Bristol Tennessee Essential Services **Bristol Virginia Utilities** Brownstown Electric Chattanooga Power Board Colorado Springs Utility Consumers Energy Dayton Power & Light Detroit Edison **Dominion Power Duke Energy** Electric Services Entergy Excel First Energy Harrisonburg Electric Commission Huntsville Utilities Indiana Power & Light Indianapolis Power & Light Jackson Electric Authority Johnson City Power Board Kentucky Utilities Knoxville Utility Board Louisville Gas & Electric Mississippi Power Company Nashville Electric Commission National Grid Niagara Mohawk Northeast Utilities Ocala Utilities Board Orlando Utilities Commission Pacific Gas & Electric Progress Energy PSE & G Public Services of New Mexico **Puget Sound Energy** South Carolina Electric & Gas Southern Company Tampa Electric Company

Virginia Tech Electric

## Light Fixture Manufacturers

Cooper GE Lighting Holophane Hubbell Lithonia

## Department of Transportation

Alabama Arizona California Colorado Connecticut Florida Georgia Hawaii Illinois Indiana Kansas Kentucky Louisiana Maine Massachusetts Michigan Minnesota Mississippi Nevada New Jersev New Mexico New York North Carolina Ohio Oregon Pennsylvania Rhode Island South Carolina Tennessee Texas

Virginia

Wisconsin

### **Municipalities**Albuquerque, New Mexico

Atlanta, Georgia Austin, Texas Baltimore, Maryland Birmingham, Alabama Champagne, Illinois Charleston, South Carolina Chattanooga, Tennessee Chicago, Illinois College Station, Texas Colorado Springs, Colorado Columbus, Ohio Davton. Ohio Des Moines, Iowa Eau Claire, Wisconsin Fargo, North Dakota Fort Wayne, Indiana Grand Forks, North Dakota Greenville, South Carolina Gulfport, Mississippi Huntsville, Alabama Indianapolis, Indiana Jacksonville, Florida Kansas City, Kansas/Missouri Knoxville. Tennessee Las Cruces. New Mexico Lexington, Kentucky Louisville, Kentucky Madison, Wisconsin Milwaukee, Wisconsin Minneapolis, Minnesota Mobile. Alabama Nashville. Tennessee New York, New York Ocala, Florida Ogden, Utah Orlando, Florida Park City. Utah Pensacola, Florida Philadelphia, Pennsylvania Savannah, Georgia Seattle, Washington Tacoma, Washington Tampa, Florida Numerous Co-Ops and Metered Municipalities

#### **Military Bases**

Brookley AFB Camp Leieune Elain AFB Fort Benning Fort Bliss Fort Bragg Fort Campbell Fort Carson Fort Drum Fort Gordon Fort Huachuca Fort Jackson Fort Lee Fort Rilev Fort Rucker Fort Sill Fort Stewart Grand Forks AFB Kings Bay Naval Base MacDill AFB White Sands Missile Base

#### **Corrosion Resistant**

Aluminum is naturally resistant to corrosion and may be left unpainted.
On contact with air it forms a resistant layer of aluminum oxide that guards against corrosion. Hapco round poles are constructed of aluminum alloy 6063, a marine grade alloy also used in the manufacture of boat hulls. This alloy exhibits extremely high resistance to corrosion





when compared to ferrous-based products. 6063 is highly weldable and Hapco heat treats the material to obtain a T6 temper, adding strength to the pole.

#### Lightweight

Aluminum is lightweight, allowing for easier installation than steel which provides savings in both labor and equipment. In fact, aluminum is approximately onethird the weight of steel, making it much easier to handle and less expensive to ship. Aluminum has a high strength-to-weight ratio. Pound for pound, it is stronger than steel.



#### **Durable**

Aluminum light poles have been in use for over 60 years, and many of the original installations are still in service without structural problems or noticeable difference in appearance. The fact that aluminum is maintenance-free allows it to be a tremendous value when the overall cost of pole ownership is considered.

#### **Flexible Design**

Aluminum is used in breakaway designs, offering greater breakaway safety.

Hapco is an industry leader in breakaway provisions and design, offering the following Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) accepted breakaway devices:

- Anchor Base Saves installation and hardware costs and improves aesthetics. Anchor bases cannot be used with steel.
- Couplings Widely used.
- X-Base (unique to Hapco) Saves installation and hardware costs and improves aesthetics. X-Bases cannot be used with steel.
- Transformer Base "T-Base" Industry standard and widely used.
- Direct Buried Poles (unique to Hapco) –
   Direct buried poles can provide significant savings, eliminating the need for the foundation, base, and hardware. Aluminum poles are used in direct buried applications throughout the country, having over 60 years of successful installations. Cannot be offered with steel.
- Decorative Bases Hapco currently offers more FHWA accepted Decorative products than any other manufacturer, including several direct buried applications (unique to Hapco). Savings result from the elimination of couplings and skirts and foundations on direct buried poles, and result in dramatically improved aesthetics.

#### **Easy to Clean, Including Graffiti**

Satin finished poles can be treated with solvents or sanded to remove unwanted paint without compromising the corrosive resistance or the finish.



#### **Valuable**

Aluminum offers significantly higher scrap value than steel, allowing a return on investment in the event of a knock down. The scrap value of aluminum is more than ten times that of steel.

#### The "Green" Choice

Aluminum provides an environmentally responsible choice of material and approach within the burgeoning green



movement. It is the most abundant mineral in the earth's crust, and unlike the galvanization process of steel which emits zinc chloride and ammonium chloride into the atmosphere, has a low impact on the environment. Aluminum is 100% recyclable and can be recycled without losing any of its superior characteristics or integrity, making it appealing from both environmental and economic criteria. Simply put, Aluminum never has to be thrown away, has an

incredibly long life cycle, and allows specifiers to aggressively pursue a design that will be based upon sustainable principles.



#### **Lead Times**

Hapco can provide industry-leading lead times on aluminum poles. One of Hapco's main suppliers of extrusions is located within 20 miles, allowing for quick delivery of material. Our state-of-the-art machinery and manufacturing principles dedicated to efficiency allow Hapco to be the industry leader in lead times. All aspects of manufacture (tapering, welding, drilling, heat treating, fluting, powder coating) are done in house (with the exception of castings and anodizing) eliminating the need for outsourcing. The result is tremendous time and cost savings. Quicker lead times can ease stocking requirements as well as ensure faster replacement of knockdowns.

#### **Durable Powder Coating**

Hapco uses Super Durable Thermoset Powder Coating as the standard for all powder coated poles. Super Durable is designed specifically for architectural applications where color and gloss retention is critical. The American Architectural Manufacturers Association (AAMA) provides classifications for powder coating.

These specifications have been widely recognized as the standards for powder coating.

AAMA classifies Super Durable Powder as AAMA 2604. Super Durable Powder is formulated with advanced polyester resin technology that utilizes higher performance pigments, providing superior gloss and color retention over the powder coating that many manufacturers use as their standard (AAMA 2603).

Powder Coating is compliant with environmental regulations without the release of Volatile Organic Compounds (VOC's), as opposed to liquid paints which must contain solvents. Liquid paints release VOC's into the atmosphere, contributing to pollution. Additionally, there is no hazardous waste from the powder coating process.

#### **AASHTO Approved**

With the in-house Design Engineering team, Hapco will assist in the design of poles. Maximizing project funds is essential. For this reason, it is important to utilize materials properly. Selecting the precise pole for a project may result in significant savings. The Hapco engineering team can design and manufacture poles to AASHTO specifications or applicable local building codes.

All Hapco poles are designed to American Association of State Highway & Transportation Officials (AASHTO) standards. Not all manufacturers design to AASHTO, which is conservative by nature. Hapco also meets applicable material ASTM standards. All welders are American Welding Society (AWS) certified.



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