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THE KMA SPEC
HOW TO SPECIFY SHADES!
Motorized Shades (Part 2 of 3)



Bringing you up to date on KMA’s unique architectural product collection!

Hi there! **Mecho** has several motorized shade systems to choose from, allowing you to customize the shade solution to your specific project requirements.

Let’s talk motorization of shades by **Mecho**!

STEP 1 - Choose a motor system:

- Whispershade IQ2. This is a AC line-voltage motor that can lift of to 300 sq ft of shade area, multi-banded. It has a 15 year non-depreciating warranty. It can work in conjunction with any 3rd party control system for lighting, HVAC, etc., and has 5 available stop points.
- Whispershade DC. This is a DC low-voltage motor that can lift 600 sq ft of shade area, multi-banded. Accommodates single and double shades. It’s VERY quiet and features 2- way communication, including obstacle detection. Whisper - shade DC also integrates with building lighting, A/V and HVAC management systems.
- RTS. This is a radio-transmitted Somfy motor. No data cabling is required. It can accommodate both single and double shades with 3 stop point options.

STEP 2 - Choose the correct bracket on www.mechoshade.com under Resources/ Construction Documents

- A.) Electro 1. This is the standard bracket for shades mounted **BELOW** the ceiling, with fascia options.
- B.) Electro 2. This is the standard bracket for shades mounted **ABOVE** the ceiling. Pocket options.
- C.) Electro 3. This is a smaller bracket used for special circumstances.



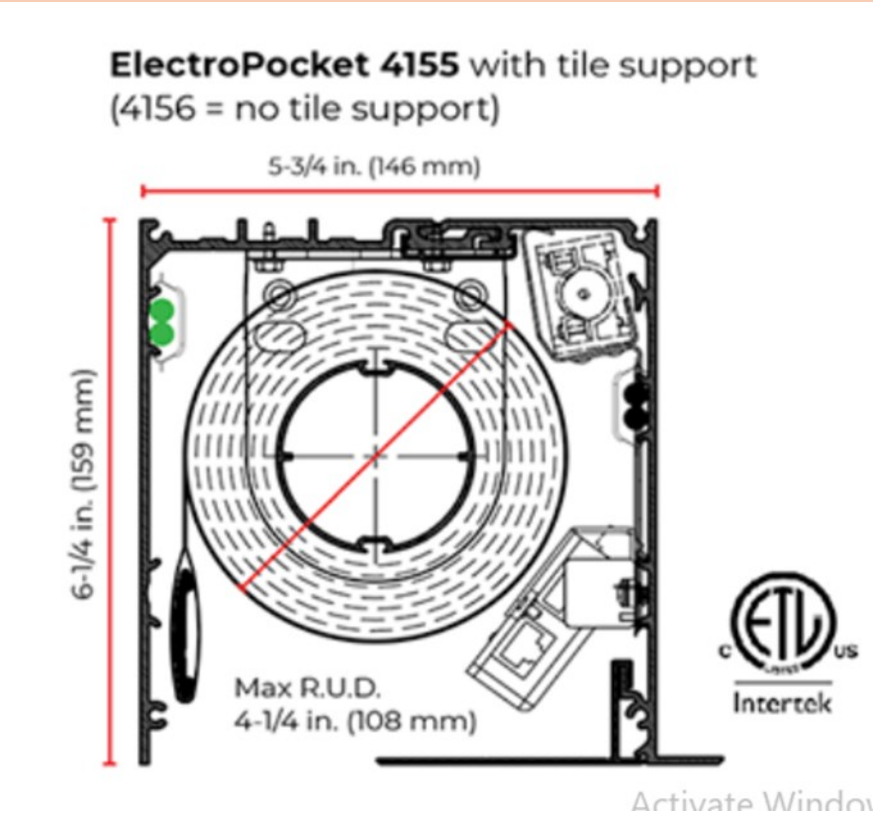
STEP 3 - Select your Shadecloth

Mecho has a variety of shadecloth selections in both **Solar** and **Blackout** fabrics.

Solar Shades are made in various levels of “**opacity**”. Opacity is the percentage of light penetrating through the fabric in a range between 1-10% depending on the fabric’s weave. Solar shadecloths permit views to the outdoors while minimizing glare and heat gain into the space.

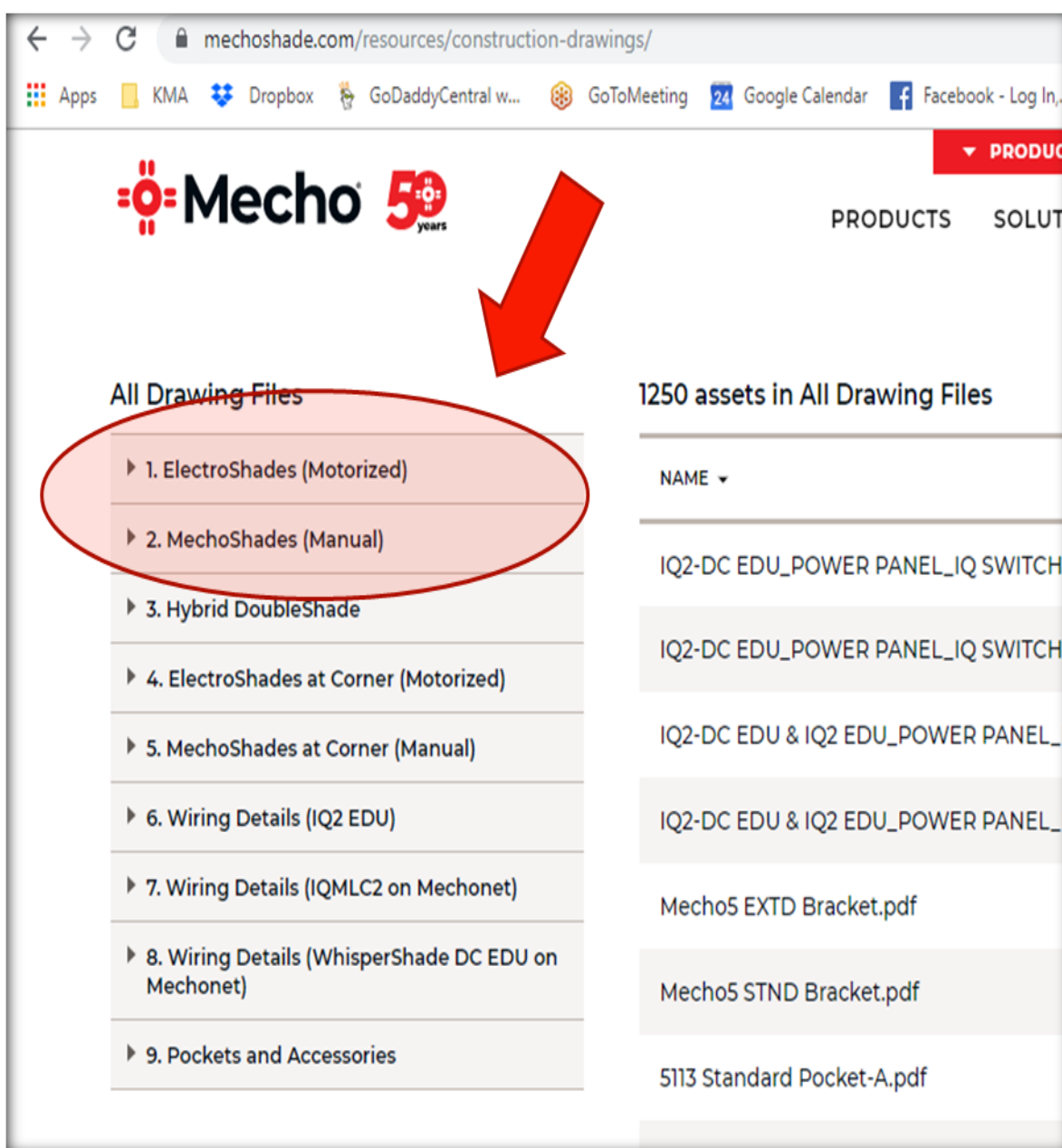
Blackout Shades have a 0% opacity for 100% privacy.

TIP: When you want to economize on electrician costs, consider specifying the Electropocket. This is a pre-wired UL rated pocket. It’s great for renovations and also reduces maintenance costs!
Available with or without tile support





HOW TO FIND CONSTRUCTION DOCUMENTS FOR YOUR PROJECT!



ABOVE: Our featured shade cloth of the month:

CHELSEA BLACKOUT SHADECLOTH.

Mecho's newest blackout collection features a graphite-colored back, instead of the standard white backed cloth. This allows for a quieter building façade from the exterior when the shades are down.

NFPA-701-2015: Pass.

NOTE: Mecho is ready and willing to provide you with samples!

Go to: <https://www.mechoshade.com/swatches/>

Shade cloth on demand. Mecho provides complimentary swatches sent overnight to ensure the fabric you specify meets the design, daylight and solar control that your project demands.

BIG NEWS!!

Mecho can now be found on

Material Bank!

Material Bank® is the fastest and most powerful way to search and sample materials.

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Tune in next month for more information on MECO's AUTOMATED shading systems! Whether it is one room or a entire campus of buildings, Mecho has automation solutions that will save your end-user time and MONEY!

Until next time...

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