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ABSTRACT

Building Code Requirements and Specification for Masonry Structures contains four parts: Building Code Requirements for Masonry Structures (TMS 402-08/ACI 530-08/ASCE 5-08); Specification for Masonry Structures (TMS 602-08/ACI 530.1-08/ASCE 6-08); Commentary on Building Code Requirements for Masonry Structures (TMS 402-08/ACI 530-08/ASCE 5-08); and Commentary on Specification for Masonry Structures (TMS 602-08/ACI 530.1-08/ASCE 6-08). These standards are produced through the joint efforts of The Masonry Society (TMS), the American Concrete Institute (ACI), and the Structural Engineering Institute of the American Society of Civil Engineers (SEI/ASCE) through the Masonry Standards Joint Committee (MSJC). The Code covers the design and construction of masonry structures while the Specification is concerned with minimum construction requirements for masonry in structures. Some of the topics covered in the Code are: definitions, contract documents; quality assurance; materials; placement of embedded items; analysis and design; strength and serviceability; flexural and axial loads; shear; details and development of reinforcement; walls; columns; pilasters; beams and lintels; seismic design requirements; glass unit masonry; veneers; and autoclaved aerated concrete masonry. An empirical design method and a prescriptive method applicable to buildings meeting specific location and construction criteria are also included. The Specification covers subjects such as quality assurance requirements for materials; the placing, bonding and anchoring of masonry; and the placement of grout and of reinforcement. This Specification is meant to be modified and referenced in the Project Manual. Since the Code is written as a legal document and the Specification as a master specification required by the Code, the two commentaries present background details, committee considerations, and research data used to develop the Code and Specification.

The designation of these standards has been modified from past editions to recognize the lead sponsorship role by The Masonry Society.

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Revision Formatting for the 2008 Building Code Requirements and Specification for Masonry Structures

At the request of users of these standards, the Code and Specification portions of this edition include revision bars, deletion arrows and text boxes to designate places where major changes have occurred since the 2005 edition of these standards. These marks are for information only and designate major revisions. Editorial revisions, minor changes in section numbering, and similar other minor modifications are not designated with revision formatting. The following describes the basic purpose of each type of revision formatting along with other formatting conventions.

Revision Bars

Where major substantive modifications to a 2005 provision were made, a revision bar (line) is shown in margin adjacent to revised text. The revision bar is located in the left margin for text in the left column and in the right margin for text in a right column. An example of this revision bar is shown to the left.

Deletion Arrows

Where substantive requirements from the 2005 provisions have been deleted and not replaced or moved, a deletion arrow, as shown to the left, is located in the margin where that requirement formerly appeared.

Movement Boxes

Where large portions of text, or very specific requirements, have been moved from one place in the 2005 provisions to a new spot in the 2008 provisions, a small box has been inserted in the margin to indicate where the 2005 provisions were moved. The number in the box is the new section or new article where the requirements now appear. As an example, the movement box to the left indicates that requirements have been moved to section 0.0.0. In a few cases, the new section reference is so long that it would not appear in the box within the space provided. As such, the major section is shown to aide the user in finding the approximate location of the text.

Other Formatting Conventions

The user is again reminded that these revision designations above only highlight significant revisions that have occurred between the 2005 and the 2008 editions of these standards. These revision designations are intended to facilitate the use of these standards and should not be relied upon as the sole means of reviewing and understanding the entire context and impact of changes introduced into the 2008 edition.

To also aide users of these standards, “bleed tabs” have been added to the outside edges of most pages so that the user will quickly be able to determine which portion (Code, Specification, Code Commentary, Specification Commentary, or Index) they are reviewing.

Also be advised that a number of pages are intentionally left blank in the standards and commentaries so that the beginning of each Chapter starts on a right hand page.

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SYNOPSIS

This Code covers the design and construction of masonry structures. It is written in such form that it may be adopted by reference in a legally adopted building code.

Among the subjects covered are: definitions; contract documents; quality assurance; materials; placement of embedded items; analysis and design; strength and serviceability; flexural and axial loads; shear; details and development of reinforcement; walls; columns; pilasters; beams and lintels; seismic design requirements; glass unit masonry; and veneers. An empirical design method applicable to buildings meeting specific location and construction criteria are also included.

The quality, inspection, testing, and placement of materials used in construction are covered by reference to TMS 602-08/ACI 530.1-08/ASCE 6-08 Specification for Masonry Structures and other standards.

Keywords: AAC, masonry, allowable stress design, anchors (fasteners); anchorage (structural); autoclaved aerated concrete masonry, beams; building codes; cements; clay brick; clay tile; columns; compressive strength; concrete block; concrete brick; construction; detailing; empirical design; flexural strength; glass units; grout; grouting; joints; loads (forces); masonry; masonry cements; masonry load bearing walls; masonry mortars; masonry walls; modulus of elasticity; mortars; pilasters; prestressed masonry, quality assurance; reinforced masonry; reinforcing steel; seismic requirements; shear strength; specifications; splicing; stresses; strength design, structural analysis; structural design; ties; unreinforced masonry; veneers; walls.

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SI equivalents shown in this document are calculated conversions. Equations are based on U.S. Customary (inch-pound) Units; SI equivalents for equations are listed at the end of the Code.

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CHAPTER 1
GENERAL DESIGN REQUIREMENTS FOR MASONRY

1.1 — Scope

1.1.1 *Minimum requirements*

This Code provides minimum requirements for the structural design and construction of masonry elements consisting of masonry units bedded in mortar.

1.1.2 *Governing building code*

This Code supplements the legally adopted building code and shall govern in matters pertaining to structural design and construction of masonry elements, except where this Code is in conflict with requirements in the legally adopted building code. In areas without a legally adopted building code, this Code defines the minimum acceptable standards of design and construction practice.

1.1.3 *Design procedures*

Masonry structures and their component members shall be designed in accordance with the provisions of this Chapter and one of the following:

(a) Allowable Stress Design of Masonry: Chapter 2.

(b) Strength Design of Masonry: Chapter 3.

(c) Prestressed Masonry: Chapter 4.

(d) Empirical Design of Masonry: Chapter 5.

(e) Veneer: Chapter 6.

(f) Glass Unit Masonry: Chapter 7.

(g) Strength Design of Autoclaved Aerated Concrete (AAC) Masonry: Appendix A.

1.1.4 *SI equivalents*

SI values shown in parentheses are not part of this Code. The equations in this document are for use with the specified inch-pound units only. The equivalent equations for use with SI units are provided in Conversion of Units on Page C-73.

1.2 — Contract documents and calculations

1.2.1 Project drawings and project specifications for masonry structures shall identify the individual responsible for their preparation.

1.2.2 Show all Code-required drawing items on the project drawings, including:

(a) Name and date of issue of code and supplement to which the design conforms.

(b) Loads used in the design of masonry.

(c) Specified compressive strength of masonry at stated ages or stages of construction for which masonry is designed, except where specifically exempted by Code provisions.

(d) Size and location of structural elements.

(e) Details of anchorage of masonry to structural members, frames, and other construction, including the type, size, and location of connectors.

(f) Details of reinforcement, including the size, grade, type, and location of reinforcement.

(g) Reinforcing bars to be welded and welding requirements.

(h) Provision for dimensional changes resulting from elastic deformation, creep, shrinkage, temperature, and moisture.

(i) Size and location of conduits, pipes, and sleeves.

1.2.3 The contract documents shall be consistent with design assumptions.

1.2.4 Contract documents shall specify the minimum level of quality assurance as defined in Section 1.18, or shall include an itemized quality assurance program that equals or exceeds the requirements of Section 1.18.

1.3 — Approval of special systems of design or construction

Sponsors of any system of design or construction within the scope of this Code, the adequacy of which has been shown by successful use or by analysis or test, but that does not conform to or is not covered by this Code, shall have the right to present the data on which their design is based to a board of examiners appointed by the building official. The board shall be composed of licensed design professionals and shall have authority to investigate the data so submitted, require tests, and formulate rules governing design and construction of such systems to meet the intent of this Code. The rules, when approved and promulgated by the building official, shall be of the same force and effect as the provisions of this Code.

1.4 — Standards cited in this Code

Standards of the American Concrete Institute, the American Society of Civil Engineers, ASTM International, the American Welding Society, and The Masonry Society cited in this Code are listed below with their serial designations, including year of adoption or revision, and are declared to be part of this Code as if fully set forth in this document.

TMS 602-08/ACI 530.1-08/ ASCE 6-08 — Specification for Masonry Structures

ASCE 7-05 — Minimum Design Loads for Buildings and Other Structures