

**SECTION 033000**  
**CAST-IN-PLACE CONCRETE**

**PART 1 GENERAL**

**1.01 SECTION INCLUDES**

- A Concrete formwork.
- B Floors and slabs on grade.
- C Concrete reinforcement.
- D Joint devices associated with concrete work.
- E Concrete curing.

**1.02 REFERENCE STANDARDS**

- A ACI CODE-318 - Building Code Requirements for Structural Concrete and Commentary 2019 (Reapproved 2022).
- B ACI PRC-211.1 - Selecting Proportions for Normal-Density and High Density-Concrete - Guide 2022.
- C ACI PRC-302.1 - Guide to Concrete Floor and Slab Construction 2015.
- D ACI PRC-304 - Guide for Measuring, Mixing, Transporting, and Placing Concrete 2000 (Reapproved 2009).
- E ACI PRC-305 - Guide to Hot Weather Concreting 2020.
- F ACI PRC-306 - Guide to Cold Weather Concreting 2016.
- G ACI PRC-308 - Guide to External Curing of Concrete 2016.
- H ACI SPEC-301 - Specifications for Concrete Construction 2020.
- I ASTM A615/A615M - Standard Specification for Deformed and Plain Carbon-Steel Bars for Concrete Reinforcement 2022.
- J ASTM A767/A767M - Standard Specification for Zinc-Coated (Galvanized) Steel Bars for Concrete Reinforcement 2019.
- K ASTM A1064/A1064M - Standard Specification for Carbon-Steel Wire and Welded Wire Reinforcement, Plain and Deformed, for Concrete 2022.
- L ASTM C33/C33M - Standard Specification for Concrete Aggregates 2018.
- M ASTM C39/C39M - Standard Test Method for Compressive Strength of Cylindrical Concrete Specimens 2021.
- N ASTM C143/C143M - Standard Test Method for Slump of Hydraulic-Cement Concrete 2020.
- O ASTM C150/C150M - Standard Specification for Portland Cement 2022.
- P ASTM C685/C685M - Standard Specification for Concrete Made by Volumetric Batching and Continuous Mixing 2017.
- Q ASTM C1602/C1602M - Standard Specification for Mixing Water Used in the Production of Hydraulic Cement Concrete 2018.
- R ASTM E1643 - Standard Practice for Selection, Design, Installation, and Inspection of Water Vapor Retarders Used in Contact with Earth or Granular Fill Under Concrete Slabs 2018a.
- S ASTM E1745 - Standard Specification for Plastic Water Vapor Retarders Used in Contact with Soil or Granular Fill Under Concrete Slabs 2017.

### **1.03 SUBMITTALS**

- A Product Data: Submit manufacturers' data on manufactured products showing compliance with specified requirements and installation instructions.
- B Mix Design: Submit proposed concrete mix design.
  - 1. Indicate proposed mix design complies with requirements of ACI SPEC-301, Section 4 - Concrete Mixtures.
  - 2. Indicate proposed mix design complies with requirements of ACI CODE-318, Chapter 5 - Concrete Quality, Mixing and Placing.
- C Test Reports: Submit report for each test or series of tests specified.
- D Manufacturer's Installation Instructions: For concrete accessories, indicate installation procedures and interface required with adjacent construction.

### **1.04 QUALITY ASSURANCE**

- A Perform work of this section in accordance with ACI SPEC-301 and ACI CODE-318.
- B Follow recommendations of ACI PRC-305 when concreting during hot weather.
- C Follow recommendations of ACI PRC-306 when concreting during cold weather.

## **PART 2 PRODUCTS**

### **2.01 FORMWORK**

- A Form Materials: Contractor's choice of standard products with sufficient strength to withstand hydrostatic head without distortion in excess of permitted tolerances.
  - 1. Form Facing for Exposed Finish Concrete: Contractor's choice of materials that will provide smooth, stain-free final appearance.
  - 2. Earth Cuts: Do not use earth cuts as forms for vertical surfaces. Natural rock formations that maintain a stable vertical edge may be used as side forms.
  - 3. Form Coating: Release agent that will not adversely affect concrete or interfere with application of coatings.
  - 4. Form Ties: Cone snap type that will leave no metal within 1-1/2 inches of concrete surface.

### **2.02 REINFORCEMENT MATERIALS**

- A Reinforcing Steel: ASTM A615/A615M, Grade 60 (60,000 psi).
  - 1. Type: Deformed billet-steel bars.
  - 2. Finish: Galvanized in accordance with ASTM A767/A767M, Class I, unless otherwise indicated.
- B Steel Welded Wire Reinforcement (WWR): Galvanized, plain type, ASTM A1064/A1064M.
  - 1. Form: Coiled Rolls.
  - 2. WWR Style: As indicated on drawings.
- C Reinforcement Accessories:
  - 1. Tie Wire: Annealed, minimum 16 gauge, 0.0508 inch.
  - 2. Chairs, Bolsters, Bar Supports, Spacers: Sized and shaped for adequate support of reinforcement during concrete placement.
  - 3. Provide stainless steel, galvanized, plastic, or plastic coated steel components for placement within 1-1/2 inches of weathering surfaces.

## **2.03 CONCRETE MATERIALS**

- A Cement: ASTM C150/C150M, Type I - Normal Portland type.
  - 1. Acquire cement for entire project from same source.
- B Fine and Coarse Aggregates: ASTM C33/C33M.
  - 1. Acquire aggregates for entire project from same source.
- C Water: ASTM C1602/C1602M; clean, potable, and not detrimental to concrete.

## **2.04 ADMIXTURES**

- A Do not use chemicals that will result in soluble chloride ions in excess of 0.1 percent by weight of cement.

## **2.05 ACCESSORY MATERIALS**

- A Underslab Vapor Retarder:
  - 1. Sheet Material: ASTM E1745, Class A; stated by manufacturer as suitable for installation in contact with soil or granular fill under concrete slabs. Single-ply polyethylene is prohibited.
  - 2. Accessory Products: Vapor retarder manufacturer's recommended tape, adhesive, mastic, prefabricated boots, etc., for sealing seams and penetrations.

## **2.06 BONDING AND JOINTING PRODUCTS**

## **2.07 CURING MATERIALS**

- A Evaporation Reducer: Liquid thin-film-forming compound that reduces rapid moisture loss caused by high temperature, low humidity, and high winds; intended for application immediately after concrete placement.
- B Curing Compound, Naturally Dissipating: Clear, water-based, liquid membrane-forming compound; complying with ASTM C309.

## **2.08 CONCRETE MIX DESIGN**

- A Proportioning Normal Weight Concrete: Comply with ACI PRC-211.1 recommendations.
- B Concrete Strength (as indicated on S100): Establish required average strength for each type of concrete on the basis of field experience or trial mixtures, as specified in ACI SPEC-301.
  - 1. For trial mixtures method, employ independent testing agency acceptable to Architect for preparing and reporting proposed mix designs.
- C Admixtures: Add acceptable admixtures as recommended in ACI PRC-211.1 and at rates recommended or required by manufacturer.

## **2.09 MIXING**

- A On Project Site: Mix in drum type batch mixer, complying with ASTM C685/C685M. Mix each batch not less than 1-1/2 minutes and not more than 5 minutes.
- B Adding Water: If concrete arrives on-site with slump less than suitable for placement, do not add water that exceeds the maximum water-cement ratio or exceeds the maximum permissible slump.

# **PART 3 EXECUTION**

## **3.01 EXAMINATION**

- A Verify lines, levels, and dimensions before proceeding with work of this section.

### **3.02 PREPARATION**

- A Formwork: Comply with requirements of ACI SPEC-301. Design and fabricate forms to support all applied loads until concrete is cured and for easy removal without damage to concrete.
- B Verify that forms are clean and free of rust before applying release agent.
- C Coordinate placement of embedded items with erection of concrete formwork and placement of form accessories.
- D Interior Slabs on Grade: Install vapor retarder under interior slabs on grade. Comply with ASTM E1643. Lap joints minimum 6 inches. Seal joints, seams and penetrations watertight with manufacturer's recommended products and follow manufacturer's written instructions. Repair damaged vapor retarder before covering.
  - 1. Granular Fill Over Vapor Retarder: Cover vapor retarder with compactible granular fill as indicated on drawings. Do not use sand.

### **3.03 INSTALLING REINFORCEMENT AND OTHER EMBEDDED ITEMS**

- A Comply with requirements of ACI SPEC-301. Clean reinforcement of loose rust and mill scale, and accurately position, support, and secure in place to achieve not less than minimum concrete coverage required for protection.
- B Install welded wire reinforcement in maximum possible lengths, and offset end laps in both directions. Splice laps with tie wire.
- C Verify that anchors, seats, plates, reinforcement and other items to be cast into concrete are accurately placed, positioned securely, and will not interfere with concrete placement.

### **3.04 PLACING CONCRETE**

- A Place concrete in accordance with ACI PRC-304.
- B Place concrete for floor slabs in accordance with ACI PRC-302.1.
- C Maintain records of concrete placement. Record date, location, quantity, air temperature, and test samples taken.
- D Ensure reinforcement, inserts, waterstops, embedded parts, and formed construction joint devices will not be disturbed during concrete placement.
- E Place concrete continuously without construction (cold) joints wherever possible; where construction joints are necessary, before next placement prepare joint surface by removing laitance and exposing the sand and sound surface mortar, by sandblasting or high-pressure water jetting.
- F Finish floors level and flat, unless otherwise indicated, within the tolerances specified below.

### **3.05 SLAB JOINTING**

- A Locate joints as indicated on drawings.
- B Anchor joint fillers and devices to prevent movement during concrete placement.
- C Isolation Joints: Use preformed joint filler with removable top section for joint sealant, total height equal to thickness of slab, set flush with top of slab.
- D Saw Cut Contraction Joints: Saw cut joints before concrete begins to cool, within 4 to 12 hours after placing; use 3/16 inch thick blade and cut at least 1 inch deep but not less

than one quarter (1/4) the depth of the slab.

### **3.06 FLOOR FLATNESS AND LEVELNESS TOLERANCES**

- A Maximum Variation of Surface Flatness (FF) and levelness (FL):
  - 1. Exposed Concrete Floors: FF = 35, FL = 25.
- B Correct the slab surface if tolerances are less than specified.
- C Correct defects by grinding or by removal and replacement of the defective work.  
Areas requiring corrective work will be identified. Re-measure corrected areas by the same process.

### **3.07 CONCRETE FINISHING**

- A Repair surface defects, including tie holes, immediately after removing formwork.
- B Unexposed Form Finish: Rub down or chip off fins or other raised areas 1/4 inch or more in height.
- C Concrete Slabs: Finish to requirements of ACI PRC-302.1 and as follows:
  - 1. Other Surfaces to Be Left Exposed: Trowel as described in ACI PRC-302.1, minimizing burnish marks and other appearance defects.
- D In areas with floor drains, maintain floor elevation at walls; pitch surfaces uniformly to drains at 1:100 nominal.

### **3.08 CURING AND PROTECTION**

- A Comply with requirements of ACI PRC-308. Immediately after placement, protect concrete from premature drying, excessively hot or cold temperatures, and mechanical injury.
- B Maintain concrete with minimal moisture loss at relatively constant temperature for period necessary for hydration of cement and hardening of concrete.
  - 1. Normal concrete: Not less than seven days.
- C Surfaces Not in Contact with Forms:
  - 1. Initial Curing: Start as soon as free water has disappeared and before surface is dry. Keep continuously moist for not less than three days by water ponding, water-saturated sand, water-fog spray, or saturated burlap.
  - 2. Final Curing: Begin after initial curing but before surface is dry.

### **3.09 FIELD QUALITY CONTROL**

- A Provide free access to concrete operations at project site and cooperate with appointed firm.
- B Submit proposed mix design of each class of concrete to inspection and testing firm for review prior to commencement of concrete operations.
- C Tests of concrete and concrete materials may be performed at any time to ensure compliance with specified requirements.
- D Compressive Strength Tests: ASTM C39/C39M, for each test, mold and cure three concrete test cylinders. Obtain test samples for every 100 cubic yards or less of each class of concrete placed.
- E Take one additional test cylinder during cold weather concreting, cured on job site under same conditions as concrete it represents.

- F Perform one slump test for each set of test cylinders taken, following procedures of ASTM C143/C143M.

### **3.10 DEFECTIVE CONCRETE**

- A Defective Concrete: Concrete not complying with required lines, details, dimensions, tolerances or specified requirements.
- B Repair or replacement of defective concrete will be determined by the Architect. The cost of additional testing shall be borne by Contractor when defective concrete is identified.

### **3.11 PROTECTION**

- A Do not permit traffic over unprotected concrete floor surface until fully cured.

**END OF SECTION**