

**SECTION 03 30 54**  
**FIBER REINFORCED CAST-IN-PLACE CONCRETE**

**PART 1 GENERAL**

**1.01 SECTION INCLUDES**

- A. Cast-in-place concrete.
- B. Fiber reinforcement.
- C. Concrete materials.
- D. Mixture design.
- E. Placement procedures.
- F. Accessories and related materials and finishes.

**1.02 REFERENCE STANDARDS**

- A. ASTM C33/C33M - Standard Specification for Concrete Aggregates; 2023.
- B. ASTM C94/C94M - Standard Specification for Ready-Mixed Concrete; 2023.
- C. ASTM C171 - Standard Specification for Sheet Materials for Curing Concrete; 2020.
- D. ASTM C260/C260M - Standard Specification for Air-Entraining Admixtures for Concrete; 2010a (Reapproved 2016).
- E. ASTM C309 - Standard Specification for Liquid Membrane-Forming Compounds for Curing Concrete; 2019.
- F. ASTM C494/C494M - Standard Specification for Chemical Admixtures for Concrete; 2019, with Editorial Revision (2022).
- G. ASTM C595/C595M - Standard Specification for Blended Hydraulic Cements; 2021.
- H. ASTM C618 - Standard Specification for Coal Ash and Raw or Calcined Natural Pozzolan for Use in Concrete; 2023, with Editorial Revision.
- I. ASTM C989/C989M - Standard Specification for Slag Cement for Use in Concrete and Mortars; 2025.
- J. ASTM C1116/C1116M - Standard Specification for Fiber-Reinforced Concrete; 2023.
- K. ASTM D1751 - Standard Specification for Preformed Expansion Joint Filler for Concrete Paving and Structural Construction (Nonextruding and Resilient Asphalt Types); 2023.
- L. ASTM D1752 - Standard Specification for Preformed Sponge Rubber, Cork, and Recycled PVC Expansion Joint Fillers for Concrete Paving and Structural Construction; 2018 (Reapproved 2023).

**1.03 RELATED REQUIREMENTS**

- A. Section 01 43 39 - Mockups and Sample Installations
- B. Section 02 41 19 - Selective Demolition and Removals
- C. Section 02 83 13 - Asbestos Abatement
- D. Section 07 92 00 - Joint Sealants

**1.04 SUBMITTALS**

- A. See Section 01 30 00 – Administrative Requirements, for submittal procedures.
- B. Design Mixture: per manufacturer; verify compatibility of materials
- C. Provide mockup or sample installation for approval.
- D. Product Data: For each type of product.

## **1.05 QUALITY ASSURANCE**

- A. Ready-Mix-Concrete Manufacturer Qualifications: A firm experienced in manufacturing ready-mixed concrete products and that complies with ASTM C94/C94M requirements for production facilities and equipment.

## **PART 2 PRODUCTS**

### **2.01 CONCRETE, GENERAL**

- A. Comply with the following sections of ACI 301 unless modified by requirements in the Contract Documents:
  - 1. "General Requirements."
  - 2. "Formwork and Formwork Accessories."
  - 3. "Concrete Mixtures."
  - 4. "Handling, Placing, and Constructing."
- B. Comply with ACI 117.

### **2.02 CONCRETE MATERIALS**

- A. Source Limitations: Obtain each type or class of cementitious material of the same brand from the same manufacturer's plant, obtain aggregate from single source, and obtain admixtures from single source from single manufacturer.
- B. Cementitious Materials:
  - 1. Portland Cement: ASTM C 150/C, Type I
  - 2. Fly Ash: ASTM C618, Class C or F.
  - 3. Slag Cement: ASTM C989/C989M, Grade 100 or 120.
  - 4. Blended Hydraulic Cement: ASTM C595/C595M, Type IS, portland blast furnace slag, Type IP, portland-pozzolan, Type IL, portland-limestone Type IT, ternary blended cement.
- C. Normal-Weight Aggregate: ASTM C33/C33M, 1-1/2-inch nominal maximum aggregate size.
- D. Air-Entraining Admixture: ASTM C260/C260M.
- E. Chemical Admixtures: Certified by manufacturer to be compatible with other admixtures and that do not contribute water-soluble chloride ions exceeding those permitted in hardened concrete. Do not use calcium chloride or admixtures containing calcium chloride.
  - 1. Water-Reducing Admixture: ASTM C494/C494M, Type A.
  - 2. Retarding Admixture: ASTM C494/C494M, Type B.
  - 3. Water-Reducing and Retarding Admixture: ASTM C494/C494M, Type D.
  - 4. High-Range, Water-Reducing Admixture: ASTM C494/C494M, Type F.
  - 5. High-Range, Water-Reducing and Retarding Admixture: ASTM C494/C494M, Type G.
  - 6. Plasticizing and Retarding Admixture: ASTM C 1017/C 1017M, Type II.
- F. Water: ASTM C94/C94M.

### **2.03 FIBER REINFORCEMENT**

- A. Synthetic Micro-Fiber: Monofilament polypropylene micro-fibers engineered and designed for use in concrete, complying with ASTM C1116/C1116M, Type III, 1/2 to 1-1/2 inches long.

### **2.04 RELATED MATERIALS**

- A. Vapor Retarder: Grace Preprufe 160R.
- B. Joint-Filler Strips: ASTM D1751, asphalt-saturated cellulosic fiber, or ASTM D1752, cork or self-expanding cork.
- C. Joint Sealants: Type 3 per Section 07 92 00.

### **2.05 CURING MATERIALS**

- A. Evaporation Retarder: Waterborne, monomolecular film forming; manufactured for application to fresh concrete.
- B. Absorptive Cover: AASHTO M 182, Class 3, burlap cloth or cotton mats.

- C. Moisture-Retaining Cover: ASTM C171, polyethylene film or white burlappolyethylene sheet.
- D. Water: Potable.
- E. Clear, Waterborne, Membrane-Forming Curing Compound: ASTM C309, Type 1, Class B.

## **2.06 CONCRETE MIXTURES**

- A. Comply with ACI 301.
- B. Normal-Weight Concrete:
  - 1. Minimum Compressive Strength 3000 psi at 28 days.
  - 2. Maximum W/C Ratio: 0.50
  - 3. Cementitious Materials: Use fly ash, pozzolan, slag cement, and silica fume as needed to reduce the total amount of portland cement, which would otherwise be used, by not less than 40 percent.
  - 4. Slump Limit: 3 inches for concrete with verified slump of 1 to 3 inches before adding high-range water-reducing admixture or plasticizing admixture, plus or minus 1 inch.
  - 5. Air Content: Maintain within range permitted by ACI 301.
- C. Synthetic Fiber: Uniformly disperse in concrete mix at manufacturer's recommended rate, but not less than a rate of 1.0 lb/cu. yd.

## **2.07 CONCRETE MIXING**

- A. Ready-Mixed Concrete: Measure, batch, mix, and deliver concrete according to ASTM C94/C94M and ASTM C 1116/C 1116 and furnish batch ticket information.
  - 1. When air temperature is above 90 degrees Fahrenheit, reduce mixing and delivery time to 60 minutes.

## **PART 3 EXECUTION**

### **3.01 FORMWORK INSTALLATION**

- A. Design, construct, erect, brace, and maintain formwork according to ACI 301.

### **3.02 VAPOR-RETARDER INSTALLATION**

- A. Install, protect, and repair vapor retarder according to Manufacturer's recommendations; place sheets in position with longest dimension parallel with direction of pour.
  - 1. Lap self-adhering joints per manufacturer's recommendations.

### **3.03 JOINTS**

- A. General: Construct joints true to line with faces perpendicular to surface plane of concrete.
- B. Construction Joints: Install so strength and appearance of concrete are not impaired, at locations indicated or as approved by Architect.
- C. Contraction Joints in Slabs-on-Grade: Form weakened-plane contraction joints, sectioning concrete into areas as indicated. Construct contraction joints for a depth equal to at least one-fourth of concrete thickness, as follows:
  - 1. Grooved Joints: Form contraction joints after initial floating by grooving and finishing each edge of joint to a radius of 1/8 inch. Repeat grooving of contraction joints after applying surface finishes. Eliminate groove marks on concrete surfaces.
  - 2. Sawed Joints: Form contraction joints with power saws equipped with shatterproof abrasive or diamond-rimmed blades. Cut 1/8-inch- (3.2-mm-) wide joints into concrete when cutting action does not tear, abrade, or otherwise damage surface and before concrete develops random contraction cracks.
- D. Isolation Joints in Slabs-on-Grade: After removing formwork, install joint-filler strips at slab junctions with vertical surfaces, such as column pedestals, foundation walls, grade beams, and other locations, as indicated.
  - 1. Extend joint-filler strips full width and depth of joint, terminating flush with finished concrete surface unless otherwise indicated.

### **3.04 CONCRETE PLACEMENT**

- A. Comply with ACI 301 (ACI 301M) for placing concrete.
- B. Before test sampling and placing concrete, water may be added at Project site, subject to limitations of ACI 301 (ACI 301M).
- C. Do not add water to concrete during delivery, at Project site, or during placement.
- D. Consolidate concrete with mechanical vibrating equipment according to ACI 301 (ACI 301M).

### **3.05 FINISHING UNFORMED SURFACES**

- A. General: Comply with ACI 302.1R for screeding, re-straightening, and finishing operations for concrete surfaces. Do not wet concrete surfaces.
- B. Screed surfaces with a straightedge and strike off. Begin initial floating using bull floats or darbies to form a uniform and open-textured surface plane before excess moisture or bleedwater appears on surface.
  - 1. Do not further disturb surfaces before starting finishing operations.
- C. Slip-Resistive Broom Finish: Apply a slip-resistive finish to surfaces. Immediately after float finishing, slightly roughen trafficked surface by brooming with fiber-bristle broom perpendicular to main traffic route.

### **3.06 CONCRETE PROTECTING AND CURING**

- A. General: Protect freshly placed concrete from premature drying and excessive cold or hot temperatures. Comply with ACI 306.1 for cold-weather protection and with ACI 301 (ACI 301M) for hot-weather protection during curing.
- B. Begin curing after finishing concrete but not before free water has disappeared from concrete surface.
- C. Curing Methods: Cure formed and unformed concrete for at least seven days by one or a combination of the following methods:
  - 1. Moisture Curing: Keep surfaces continuously moist for not less than seven days with the following materials:
    - a. Water.
    - b. Continuous water-fog spray.
    - c. Absorptive cover, water saturated and kept continuously wet. Cover concrete surfaces and edges with 12-inch (300-mm) lap over adjacent absorptive covers.
  - 2. Moisture-Retaining-Cover Curing: Cover concrete surfaces with moisture retaining cover for curing concrete, placed in widest practicable width, with sides and ends lapped at least 12 inches, and sealed by waterproof tape or adhesive. Cure for not less than seven days. Immediately repair any holes or tears during curing period, using cover material and waterproof tape.
  - 3. Curing Compound: Apply uniformly in continuous operation by power spray or roller according to manufacturer's written instructions. Recoat areas subjected to heavy rainfall within three hours after initial application. Maintain continuity of coating and repair damage during curing period.
  - 4. Curing and Sealing Compound: Apply uniformly to floors and slabs indicated in a continuous operation by power spray or roller according to manufacturer's written instructions. Recoat areas subjected to heavy rainfall within three hours after initial application. Repeat process 24 hours later and apply a second coat. Maintain continuity of coating and repair damage during curing period.

### **3.07 FIELD QUALITY CONTROL**

- A. Testing Agency: Owner will engage a qualified testing agency to perform tests and inspections.
- B. Tests: Perform according to ACI 301.

1. Testing Frequency: Obtain one composite sample for each day's pour of each concrete mixture exceeding 5 cu. yd. but less than 25 cu. yd., plus one set for each additional 50 cu. yd or fraction thereof.

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