

1 **DIVISION 600 - MISCELLANEOUS CONSTRUCTION**2 **SECTION 601 - STRUCTURAL CONCRETE**

3 **601.01 Description.** This section describes structural concrete, which consists of
4 Portland Cement, fine aggregate, coarse aggregate, and water. It may also include
5 adding admixtures for the purpose of entraining air, retarding or accelerating set, tinting,
6 and other purposes as required or permitted. All concrete designs for structural concrete
7 to be placed on HDOT Highway projects must use technology to reduce the embodied
8 carbon footprint of concrete used in the highway infrastructure. e.g., carbon dioxide
9 mineralization or equivalent technology such as C-S-H nanoparticle-based strength-
10 enhancing admixture (CSH-SEA), or technology or material that allows the reduction in
11 the size of the carbon footprint of the mix, e.g., strength improving admixtures,
12 supplementary cementitious materials (SCMs), or other Engineer accepted methods that
13 can reduce the embodied carbon footprint of the concrete.

14 **601.02 Materials.**

19 Portland Cement	701.01
21 Fine Aggregate for Concrete	703.01
23 Coarse Aggregate for Portland Cement Concrete	703.02
25 Admixtures	711.03
27 Water	712.01
29 Macro-Synthetic Fibers for Concrete Reinforcement	719

30 Use coarse aggregate for lightweight concrete conforming to ASTM C330 except
31 for Sections 5, 7, and 9.

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33 **(A) Quality Control.** Portland Cement concrete production requires the
34 Contractor's responsibility for quality control of materials during handling, blending,
35 mixing, placement, and curing operations.

36 Sample, test, and inspect concrete to ensure the quality of the components,
37 materials, and concrete using quality control methods and testing. Sampling and
38 testing for quality control must be performed by certified ACI Concrete Field
39 Technician Grade I following the requirements of the standard test methods.
40 Perform quality control tests for the slump, air content, temperature, unit weight, a
41 Box Test for slip form concrete, or other required properties during the production
42 of structural concrete other than concrete for incidental construction. Submit
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47 quality control test results.
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49 **(B) Design and Designation of Concrete.** Design concrete mixture for
50 concrete work specified. Submit mix design using State Highways Division form
51 DOT 4-151 or an equivalent form accepted by the Engineer. Do not start work
52 until the Engineer accepts the mix design. The Engineer will accept a concrete
53 mix design complying with the information given in Table 601.03-1 - Design of
54 Concrete, and other pertinent requirements.

55 Whenever the concrete's 28-day compressive strength, f'_c , is 4,000 psi or
56 greater, designate concrete by the required minimum 28-day compressive
57 strength.

58 The concrete's 28-day compressive strength, f'_c , which is less than 4,000
59 psi listed in Table 601.03-1 – Design of Concrete, is for design information and
60 designation of a class.

61 Proportion concrete that is designated by a compressive strength so that
62 the concrete conforms to the required strength.

63 Design concrete placed in bridge decks and pavements exposed to traffic
64 wear, with air content of 3 percent, unless otherwise specified, including entrapped
65 and entrained air. Maintain air content for plastic concrete within a tolerance of 1
66 percent, plus or minus, during the work.

67 Use Class BD concrete in the bridge deck unless the concrete is designated
68 by compressive strength. Incorporate into the bridge deck concrete: water-
69 reducing, shrinkage-reducing, and migrating corrosion-inhibiting admixtures.
70 Allow also, set-retarding admixtures in the concrete with the capability to vary the
71 degree of retardation without adversely affecting other characteristics of concrete.
72 Submit all the design admixture dosages.

73 Class A concrete must be used when the type of concrete is not indicated
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Design concrete as specified in Table 601.03-1 – Design of Concrete.

**TABLE 601.03-1 - DESIGN OF CONCRETE
(800 Maximum Cement Content lbs. /c.y.)**

Class of Concrete	28-Day Strength f'_c, psi.	Minimum Cement Content lbs. /c.y.	Maximum Water-Cement Ratio, lb./lb.	Minimum Cement Content with Mineralized CO₂ lbs./c.y.	Maximum Water-Cement Ratio with Mineralized CO₂ lb./lb.	Minimum Cement Content with SCM lbs. /c.y.	Maximum Water-Cement Ratio with SCM lb./lb.
A	3000	532	0.59	504	0.62	NA	NA
B	2500	475	0.66	450	0.70		
C	2000	418	0.75	396	0.79		
D	1500	380	0.85	360	0.87		
BD	3750	610	0.49	NA	NA		
SEAL	3000	610	0.55	NA	NA		
Designated by Strength f'_c or $*f'_r$	As Specified	610	0.49	NA	NA	NA	NA

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Structural Concrete Design – The Carbon Dioxide mineralization process is our preferred method for CO₂ footprint reduction for structural concrete. Other Carbon Dioxide reduction options, materials, or technologies may be considered for structural concrete mix designs if a Carbon Dioxide mineralization system on the island is unavailable, or Carbon Dioxide is in short supply. Other options to reduce concrete's Carbon Dioxide footprint includes but are not limited to adding Supplementary Cementitious Materials, admixtures, blended hydraulic cements, or a combination thereof. Additional means and methods of CO₂ footprint reduction not listed herein may be used if their use can be justified and accepted by the Engineer.

The reduced carbon footprint concrete mix design for all islands must have a reduction of Portland Cement content and still comply with the concrete design strength and other durability requirements as specified. See Table 601.03-1 Design of Concrete's specified limits for cement content, water cement ratio, and other properties when using CO₂ mineralization.

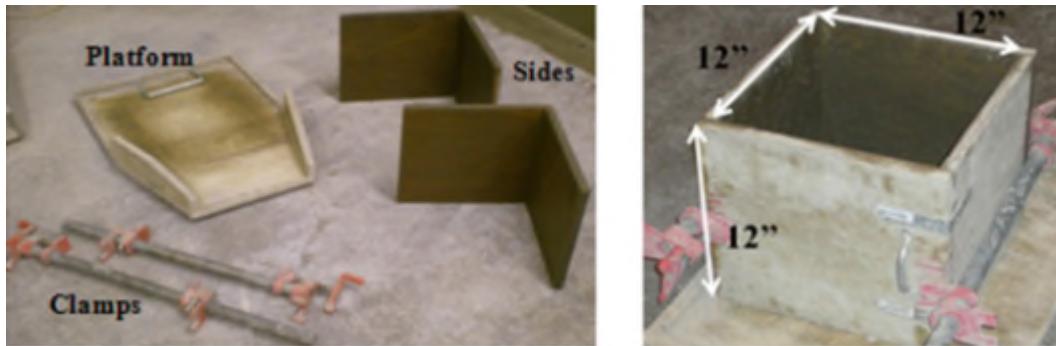
111 It should be noted that in some cases the use of SCMs in mixes may not result in
112 it having the same strength curve as their cement counterpart and more curing
113 time will be needed to meet and exceed the design strength. In such cases, the
114 Contractor may request a waiver from the 28-day limit. Submit laboratory test data

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115 with the request to the Engineer. The waiver may be granted on a case-by-case
116 basis, e.g., mass concrete. The Engineer reserves the right to limit the amount of
117 SCMs in the mix or reject the mix design.

118 Slipform Concrete Design – The Box Test method measures the response of a
119 slip form concrete mixture to vibration and the ability of the concrete to hold a
120 vertical edge, thus determining the workability and suitability of the concrete
121 mixture for slip-formed paving applications

122 Dimensions of the Box Test



124 The Figure above shows the components and the constructed inside dimensions.
125 The Box Test used:

126 4 pcs - $\frac{1}{2}$ " nominal thickness or greater HDO Plyform with a hard, semi-opaque
127 surface of thermosetting phenolic resin-impregnated material for the Test Box
128 form, with a length, width, and height such that when the Test Box is constructed
129 must have internal dimensions of 12" X12" X 12".

130 1 pc - $\frac{1}{2}$ " nominal thickness or greater HDO Plyform with a hard, semi-opaque
131 surface of thermosetting phenolic resin-impregnated material approximately 24" X
132 24" or greater for the platform. It is optional that the platform is constructed as
133 shown in the photos.

134 4 pcs- 2" X 2" L-brackets to be attached at two opposite external corners to hold
135 the two Plyform pieces in an L-shape. (More brackets may be used if determined
136 it is needed to keep the Test Box forms square, ridged, and in an L-shape.)
137 Screws, glue, etc. if used must not cause bulges or protrude into the interior of the
138 form.

139 Two each - 1.5ft pipe clamps

140 I each - hand scoop

141 1 each - 1" square head pencil vibrator that must be able to vibrate at a minimum
142 of 12,500 vibrations per minute. Provide a power source for the vibrator. Round-
143 headed or larger vibrators must not be used.

144 1 each - ruler

145 1 each – 16-inch by 24-inch L-shaped steel framing square.

146 1 each – 18 or 24-inch I-Beam Level Spirit Level Tool

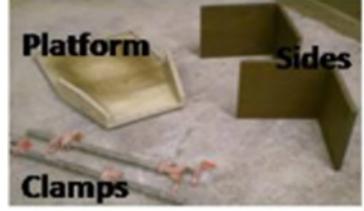
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The Box Test Steps150
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Sample concrete according to AASHTO R 60 Standard Practice for Sampling Freshly Mixed Concrete.

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Dampen the forms and platform with form oil and assemble the Box Test components (forms, platform, and clamps) on a flat and level surface. The assembled 1 ft³ Test Box is held together by the pipe clamps and L-brackets on the platform. Scoop into the box the fresh concrete, each scoop must be uniformly distributed in the box, so each layer is approximately uniformly level. Stop the concrete placement when it reaches a height of approximately 9.5". Do not do any compaction during the placement of the concrete except for the dropping of concrete in the Test Box. With the vibrator at 12,500 vibrations per minute and keeping the head of the vibrator perpendicular to the platform and centered in the box, consolidate the concrete by inserting the 1" square head pencil vibrator. Take three seconds to lower the vibrator into the concrete until it almost reaches the bottom of the box. Do not touch the platform with the vibrator. Upon reaching the proximity of the bottom of the box immediately start raising the vibrator upward taking three seconds to remove the vibrator from the concrete. Do not do any further compaction or finishing of the concrete. Immediately, and carefully remove the pipe clamps from the side of the box, and then carefully with minimal disturbance of the concrete, remove the Box Test forms in an ascending vertical direction. Care must be taken to ensure the concrete will not stick to the L-shaped side wall forms. Immediately do a surface void evaluation and edge slump measurement of the concrete sample.

 <p>Step 1</p>	<p>Gather the different components of the Box Test.</p>
 <p>Step 2</p>	<p>Construct box and place clamps tightly around box. Hand scoop mixture into box until the concrete height is 9.5" (241.3 mm).</p>
 <p>Step 3</p>	<p>Insert vibrator downward for 3 seconds and upward for 3 seconds. Remove vibrator.</p>
 <p>Step 4</p>	<p>After removing clamps and the forms, inspect the sides for surface voids and edge slumping.</p>

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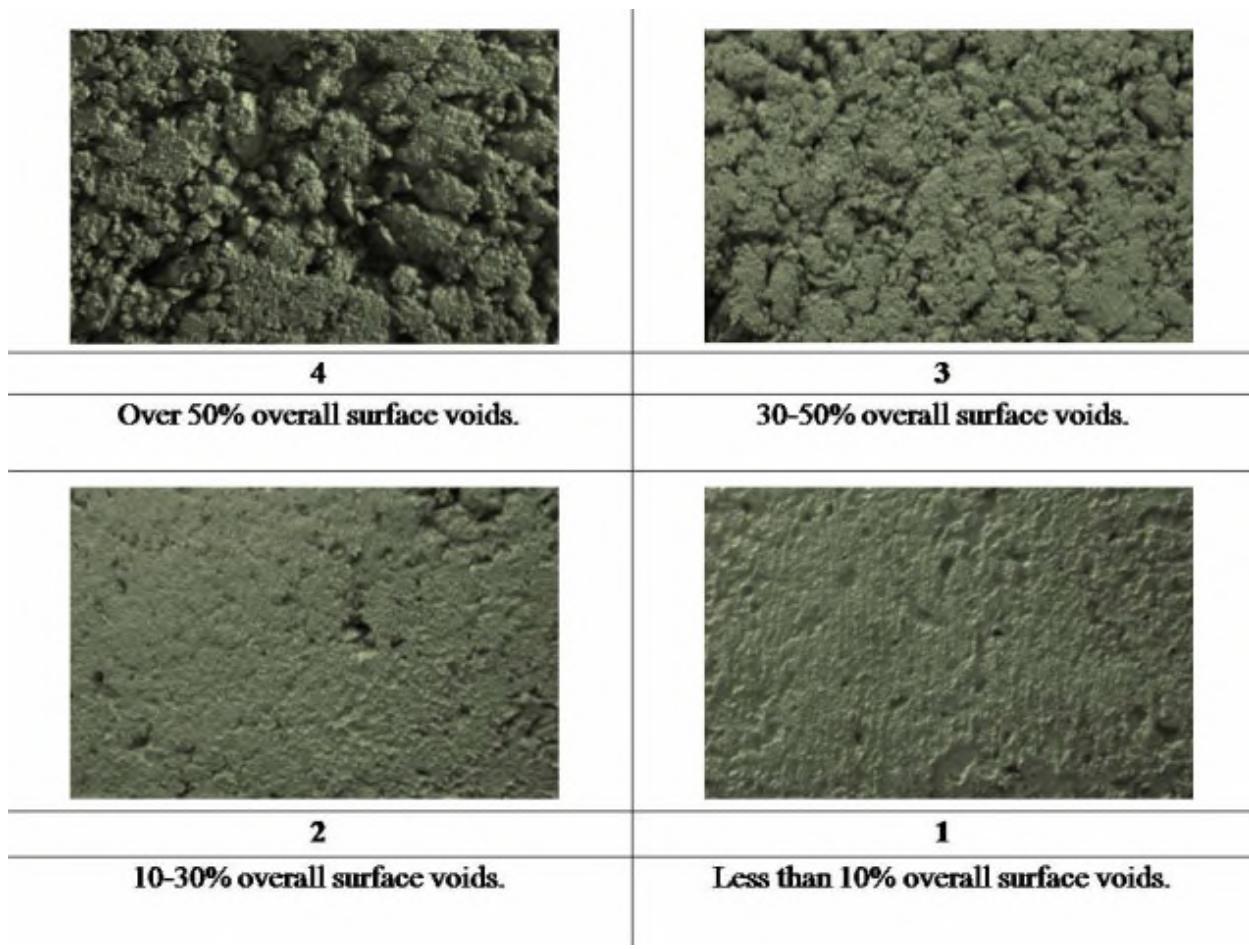
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Surface Void Evaluations

175 The grading of the response of a mixture to vibration must be assessed by
 176 comparing the surface voids observed on the sides of the box using Figure 3.

177 The void area for any of the four sides must not exceed what is shown in photo 2
 178 of Figure 3, i.e., the void area must not be similar to the void areas shown in photos
 179 3 and 4 or exceed them, to be considered an acceptable mix design for slip form
 180 pavement concrete.

181 If a mixture responded well to vibration, the overall surface voids should be
 182 minimal because the mortar was able to flow and fill these voids, hence the surface
 183 would have a small total void area. However, if the sides of the concrete formed
 184 by the box test had large amounts of surface voids, the mixture did not acceptably
 185 respond to the vibration. If the concrete did not respond acceptably to the vibration
 186 the mix design must be adjusted until the voids do not exceed the voids shown in
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Figure 3 shows the estimated surface voids.

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Top or Bottom Edge Slumping

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The top or bottom edge slumping must be measured by placing an L-shaped steel framing square straightedge at the point the concrete sample protrudes at each face the most. Use the I-Beam Spirit Level and a tape measure or ruler with the L-shaped steel framing square to measure the distance between the I-Beam Level Spirit Level and the upper surface of the concrete sample along its edge. that is not protruding and is vertical to find the length of the longest extruding point for each face. Do a measurement on each of the four sides, measuring the top and bottom slump of the test sample.

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If no vertical face can be found on a side the concrete mix design is not suitable for use in slip forming. If the top or bottom edge slumping exceeds $\frac{1}{4}$ " for any side, the concrete mix design is not suitable for use in slip forming.

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Videos of Box Test

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206 Verify that the concrete is an acceptable concrete mix design by performing a
207 minimum of two more acceptable consecutive Box Tests that did not exceed the
208 maximum void area and edge slump requirements. If the two acceptable
209 consecutive Box Tests cannot be accomplished, then adjust the concrete mix
210 design and start the testing process over again.

211 In addition to the Box Test performed during the testing of the mix design in the
212 Contractor's material testing laboratory perform additional Box Tests on production
213 concrete in the field during the test strip or first production pour whichever is
214 earliest. Adjust the mix if the results indicate the concrete does not meet the above
215 requirements. Perform Box Test in the field once a month if pouring is continuous
216 or when the Engineer requests it to be performed.

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218 Use the absolute volume method to proportion concrete materials in
219 accordance with requirements of concrete designated by class, cement content in
220 pounds per cubic yards, or specified 28-day compressive strength. Use absolute
221 volumetric proportioning methods as outlined in the American Concrete Institute
222 (ACI) Standard 211.1, "Recommended Practices for Selecting Proportions for
223 Normal and Heavyweight Concrete".
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225 Use coarse aggregate size No. 57 (one inch to No. 4) or No. 67 (3/4 inch to
226 No. 4) for concrete. For concrete placed in bottom slabs and stems of box girders,
227 use No. 67 size aggregate. Smaller size aggregates may be permitted when
228 encountering limited space between forms and reinforcement or between
229 reinforcement when accepted by the Engineer in writing. Maximum aggregate size
230 must not be greater than 1/3 of the space between reinforcing steel bars or
231 reinforcing steel and the form.
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233 Use the following standard methods in Table 601.03-2 – Standard Methods
234 for determining compliance with requirements indicated in this subsection:
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TABLE 601.03-2 – STANDARD METHODS

Sampling Fresh Mixed Concrete	AASHTO T 141
Mass Per Cubic Meter (Cubic Foot) Yield and Air Content (Gravimetric) of Concrete	AASHTO T 121
Slump of Hydraulic Cement Concrete	AASHTO T 119
Air Content of Freshly Mixed Concrete by the Pressure Method	AASHTO T 152
Specific Gravity and Absorption of Fine Aggregate	AASHTO T 84
Specific Gravity and Absorption of Coarse	AASHTO T 85

Aggregate	
Temperature of Freshly Mixed Portland Cement Concrete	ASTM C1064
Making and Curing Concrete Test Specimens in the Field	AASHTO T 23
Compressive Strength of Molded Concrete Cylindrical Specimens	AASHTO T 22 (4-inch by 8-inch or 6-inch by 12-inch cylinders)
Flexural Strength of Concrete (Using Simple Beam with Third-Point Loading)	AASHTO T 97

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When concrete is designated by compressive strength, f'_c , or flexural strength, f'_r , or includes CO₂ Mineralization technology, CSH-SEA, or SCMs, prequalification of materials and mix proportions proposed for use before placing such concrete is mandatory. The Engineer will prequalify concrete based when data is available based on past performance records using statistical computations of population sizes and (n-1) weighting, or trial batch test reports in compliance with computed minimum average strength for material and mix proportions. The Engineer will determine the minimum average strength on the probability of not more than one in 20 tests falling below the specified strength for the following conditions:

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(1) When past performance records are available, furnish the following documented performance records:

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(a) Minimum of 15 consecutive 28-day strength tests from projects having the same materials and mix proportions.

(b) Two groups totaling 30 or more test results representing similar materials in which mix proportion strengths are within 20 percent of specified strength, from data obtained within one year of the proposed use.

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The Engineer will analyze performance records to establish the standard deviation.

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(2) When sufficient past performance records are not provided, the Engineer will assume the current standard deviation to be 500 psi for compressive strength, f'_c , and 50 psi for flexural strength, f'_r .

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Unless sufficient performance records are available from other projects at DOT Materials Testing and Research Branch (MTRB), submit test performance records or trial test reports for prequalifications, based on data of the most recent

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tests made on the concrete of the proposed mix design. The data must be from tests that have been performed within one year of the proposed use and done at an accredited material testing laboratory by certified material testing personnel.

Include the following information in test data and trial batch test reports: date of mixing; mixing equipment and procedures used; the size of batch in cubic yards and weight, type, and source of ingredients used; slump of concrete; air content of concrete when using an air-entraining agent; the age of the sample at the time of testing; and strength of concrete cylinders or beams tested.

Show that concrete strength tests equal or exceed minimum average strength in trial test reports. The test is an average of 28-day test results of five consecutive concrete cylinders or concrete beams taken from a single batch. No cylinder or beam must have a strength less than 85 percent of the minimum average strength.

Submit test data and trial test reports signed by an official of an accredited laboratory that performed tests.

The Engineer reserves the right to stop work when a series of low-strength tests occur. Do not continue concrete work until the cause is established and the Engineer is informed of and accepts, the necessary corrective action to be taken.

(C) Batching. Measure and batch materials in accordance with the following provisions:

(1) Portland Cement. Either sacked or bulk cement may be used. Do not use a fraction of the sack of cement in the concrete batch unless cement is weighed.

Weigh bulk cement on weighing device accepted by the Engineer. Seal and vent bulk cement-weighing hopper properly to preclude dusting during operation. Do not suspend the discharge chute from the weighing hopper. Arrange the discharge chute so that cement will not lodge in the hopper or leak from the hopper.

Batching accuracy must be within 1 percent, plus or minus, of the required weight.

(2) Water. Measure water by volume or by weight. Use a readily adjustable device for measurement of water, with accuracy within 1 percent, plus or minus, of the quantity of water required for a batch. Arrange the device so that variable pressure in the water supply line does not affect measurements. Equip measuring tanks with outside taps and valves or other accepted means to allow for checking calibration.

(3) Aggregates. When storing and stockpiling aggregates, avoid

314 separation of coarse and fine particles within each size, and do not intermix
315 various sizes before proportioning. Protect stored or stockpiled aggregates
316 from dust or other foreign matter. Do not stockpile together, aggregates
317 from different sources and of different gradations.

319 When transporting aggregates from stockpiles or other sources to
320 batching plant, ensure uniform grading of material is maintained. Do not
321 use aggregates that have become segregated or mixed with earth or foreign
322 matter. Stockpile or bin aggregates at least 12 hours before batching.
323 Produce or handle aggregates by hydraulic methods and wash and drain
324 aggregates. If aggregates exhibit high or non-uniform moisture content, the
325 Engineer may order storage or stockpiling for more than 12 hours or
326 remixing of the stockpile, or other remedial methods. Keep using remedial
327 methods until moisture content problems are resolved. When there is clay
328 or dirt on the aggregate wash the aggregate until they are in a quantity that
329 no longer affects the concrete mix and is accepted by the Engineer.

331 Proportion aggregates by weight, with an exception being that
332 aggregates in concrete for minor structures, curbs, and sidewalks may be
333 proportioned by either volume or weight. For volumetric proportioning, use
334 measuring boxes of known capacity to measure the quantity of each
335 aggregate size.

337 Use batch weight based on dry materials plus the total weight of
338 moisture (both absorbed and surface) contained in aggregate. Measure
339 individual aggregates to within 2 percent, plus or minus, of required weight,
340 and the total weight of aggregates to within 1 percent, plus or minus, of the
341 required weight.

343 **(4) Admixtures.** Ensure that all admixtures used are compatible with
344 all the other admixtures used in the concrete mix. Store, proportion, and
345 dispense admixtures in accordance with the following provisions:

347 **(a) Liquid Admixtures.** Dispense chemical admixtures, in liquid
348 form, e.g., air-entraining admixtures, and corrosion inhibiting
349 admixtures. Use mechanical dispensers for liquid admixtures with
350 sufficient capacity to measure the prescribed quantity for each batch
351 of concrete. Include a graduated measuring unit in each dispenser
352 to measure liquid admixtures to within 5 percent, plus or minus, of
353 the prescribed quantity for each batch. Read graduations accurately
354 from point of measuring unit, and control proportioning operations to
355 permit a visual check of batch accuracy before discharging. Mark
356 each measuring unit clearly for type and quantity of admixture.

358 Arrange with the supplier to provide a sampling device
359 consisting of a valve located in a safe and accessible location for

360 sampling admixtures. Sampling is not required if not otherwise
361 provided.

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363 When using more than one liquid admixture for concrete mix,
364 use a separate measuring unit for each liquid admixture and
365 dispense separately to avoid interaction that may interfere with
366 admixture efficiency and adversely affect concrete. Dispense liquid
367 admixture by injecting so as not to mix admixture at high
368 concentrations.

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370 When using liquid admixtures in concrete that are completely
371 mixed in paving or continuous mixers, operate dispensers
372 automatically with batching control equipment. Equip such
373 dispensers with an automatic warning system that will provide visible
374 or audible signals at the point where proportioning operations are
375 controlled, when the following occurs: quantity of admixture
376 measured for each batch of concrete varies from pre-selected
377 dosage by more than 5 percent, or the entire contents of measuring
378 unit from the dispenser are not emptied into each batch of concrete.
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380 Unless liquid admixtures are added to the batch with pre-
381 measured water, discharge liquid admixtures into the stream of water
382 that disperses admixtures uniformly throughout the batch. An
383 exception is that air-entraining admixtures may be dispensed directly
384 into moist sand in batching bins, provided adequate control of
385 concrete air content can be maintained.
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387 Measure and disperse special admixtures, as recommended
388 by the admixture manufacturer, and as accepted by the Engineer.
389 Special admixtures include high-range water reducers requiring
390 dosages greater than the capacity of conventional dispensing
391 equipment. For site added, high-range water reducers, use
392 calibrated, portable dispenser supplied by the manufacturer.
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394 **(b) Mineral Admixtures.** Protect mineral admixtures from
395 exposure to moisture or other deleterious conditions until used. Pile
396 sacked material of each shipment to permit access for tally,
397 inspection, and identification.

398 Provide adequate facilities to ensure that mineral admixtures
399 meeting specified requirements are kept separate from other mineral
400 admixtures and that only specified mineral admixtures can enter the
401 work's concrete mix. Provide safe and suitable facilities for sampling
402 mineral admixtures at weigh hopper or in the feed line immediately
403 in advance of the hopper.

404 Incorporate mineral admixtures into the concrete using
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406 equipment complying with the requirements for Portland Cement
407 weigh hoppers and charging and discharging mechanisms specified
408 in ASTM C94 and Subsection 601.03(C) - Batching.

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410 When concrete is completely mixed in stationary paving or
411 continuous mixers, weigh mineral admixture in a separate weigh
412 hopper. Introduce mineral admixture and cement simultaneously
413 into the mixer, proportionately with aggregate.
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415 When interlocks are required for cement-charging
416 mechanisms, and cement and mineral admixtures are weighed
417 cumulatively, interlock their charging mechanisms to prevent the
418 introduction of mineral admixture until the mass of cement in the
419 weighing hopper is within tolerances specified in Subsection
420 601.03(C)(1) - Portland Cement.
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422 In determining the maximum quantity of free water that may
423 be used in concrete, consider mineral admixture to be cement.
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425 **(5) Bins and Scales.** At the batching plant, use individual bins,
426 hoppers, and scales for each aggregate size. Include a separate bin,
427 hopper, and scale for bulk cement and fly ash.
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429 Except when proportioning bulk cement for pavement or structures,
430 the cement weigh hopper may be attached to a separate scale for individual
431 weighing or to an aggregate scale for cumulative weighing. If cement is
432 weighed cumulatively, weigh cement before other ingredients.
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434 When proportioning for pavement or structures, keep bulk cement
435 scale and weigh hopper separate and distinct from aggregate weighing
436 equipment.
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438 Use a springless-dial or beam-type batching scales. When using
439 beam-type scales, make provisions to show the operator that the required
440 load in the weighing hopper is approaching. Use devices that show
441 conditions within the last 200 pounds of load and within 50 pounds of
442 overload.
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444 Maintain scale accuracy to 0.5 percent throughout the range of use.
445 Design poises to lock to prevent an unauthorized change of position. Use
446 scales inspected by the State Measurement Standards Branch of the
447 Department of Agriculture to ensure their continued accuracy. Provide not
448 less than ten 50-pound weights for testing scales.
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450 Batching plants may be equipped to proportion aggregates and bulk
451 cement by automatic weighing devices.
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453 **(6) Batching and Hauling.** When mixing is to be performed at the work
454 site, transport aggregates from batching plant to the mixer in batch boxes,
455 vehicle bodies, or other containers of adequate capacity and construction.
456 Use partitions to separate batches and prevent spilling from one
457 compartment to another while in transit or during dumping.

458 Transport bulk cement to the mixer in tight compartments carrying
459 the full quantity of cement required for the batch. Once the cement is placed
460 in contact with aggregates, batches must be mixed and placed within 1-1/2
461 hours of contact. Cement in original shipping packages may be transported
462 on top of aggregates. Ensure that each batch contains the number of sacks
463 required by the job mix.

464 Deliver batches to mixer intact. Charge each batch into the mixer
465 without loss of cement. When carrying more than one batch on a truck,
466 charge the batch into the mixer without spilling material from one batch
467 compartment into another.

468 **(D) Mixing.** Mix concrete in mechanically operated mixers. When accepted by
469 the Engineer, batches that do not exceed 1/3 cubic yard may be hand-mixed in
470 accordance with methods described at end of this subsection.

471 Use stationary or truck mixers that distribute materials thoroughly and
472 produce concrete uniform in color and appearance. When there is variation in
473 mixed concrete attributable to worn pickup or throw-over blades, the Engineer will
474 inspect the mixer. If the inspection reveals that blades are worn more than one
475 inch below the original height of the manufacturer's design, or are damaged repair
476 or replace blades. Upon request, make a copy of the manufacturer's design,
477 showing the dimensions and arrangement of blades.

478 Charge batches into central or truck mixers so that portion of mixing water
479 enters ahead of cement and aggregates. Deliver a uniform flow of water. Place
480 the entire amount of batch water in the mixer by end of the first quarter of the
481 mixing period. When mixers with multiple compartment drums are used, the time
482 required to transfer material between compartments will be included as mixing
483 time. Use drum rotation speed as designated by the manufacturer. If mixing does
484 not produce concrete of uniform and smooth texture, provide additional revolutions
485 at the same speed until thorough mixing of each concrete batch is attained. Begin
486 measuring mixing time from the time cement, aggregates, and 60 percent of water
487 are in the drum. Do not exceed the manufacturer's rated capacity for the volume
488 of concrete mixed in each batch.

489 Equip central or truck mixers with an attachment for automatically timing the
490 mixing of each concrete batch. The timing device must include an automatic
491 feature for locking the discharge chute and a device for warning the operator when
492 the required mixing duration has been met. If the timing or locking device fails to

498 operate, immediately furnish a clock or watch that indicates seconds, to the mixer
499 operator. If the timing device is not repaired within three days after becoming
500 inoperative, shut down batching operation until the timing device is repaired.
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502 For stationary mixers, use mixing time between 50 seconds and 5 minutes.
503 Select mixing time, as necessary, to produce concrete that meets uniformity
504 criteria when tested in accordance with Section 11.3.3 of ASTM C94. The
505 Contractor may designate mixing time for which uniformity tests are to be
506 performed, provided mixing time is not less than 50 seconds or more than 5
507 minutes. Before using concrete for pavements or structures, mix concrete to meet
508 specified uniformity requirements. The Contractor must furnish labor, sampling
509 equipment, and materials required for conducting uniformity tests, including the
510 Box Test, and the Contractor's quality control for the concrete mixture. The
511 Engineer will not furnish for the Contractor's quality control, testing equipment,
512 e.g., scales, cubic measure, and air meter; and will not perform the Contractor's
513 quality control tests. The Engineer will not pay separately for the Contractor's
514 quality control, e.g., labor, equipment, materials, or testing, but will consider the
515 costs incidental to concrete. After batching and mixing operational procedures are
516 established, the Engineer will not allow changes in procedures without the
517 Contractor re-establishing procedures by conducting uniformity tests. Repeat
518 mixer performance tests whenever the appearance of concrete or coarse
519 aggregate content of samples is not complying with the requirements of ASTM
520 C94. For truck mixers, add four seconds to the specified mixing time if timing starts
521 as soon as the skip reaches its maximum raised position.
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523 Unless otherwise indicated in the Contract Documents or accepted by the
524 Engineer, concrete must be mixed at proportioning plant. Operate mixer at
525 agitating speed while in transit. Concrete may be truck-mixed only when cement
526 or cement and mixing water are added at the point of delivery. Begin mixing truck-
527 mixed concrete immediately after the introduction of mixing water to cement and
528 aggregates, or introduction of cement to aggregates.
529

530 Inclined-axis, revolving drum truck mixers must comply with Truck Mixer,
531 Agitator and Front Discharge Concrete Carrier Standards TMMB 100-01, 15th
532 Revision, or later published by Truck Mixer Manufacturers Bureau. Truck mixers
533 must produce a thoroughly mixed and uniform mass of concrete and must
534 discharge concrete without segregation.
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536 The manufacturer's standard metal rating plate must be attached to each
537 truck mixer, stating maximum rating capacity in terms of volume of mixed concrete
538 for various uses, and maximum and minimum mixing speeds. When using truck
539 mixers for mixing, adhere to the maximum capacity shown on the metal rating plate
540 for the volume of concrete in each batch.
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542 Operate truck mixers at the mixing speed designated by the manufacturer,
543 but at not less than 6 or more than 18 revolutions per minute. Mix truck-mixed
544

544 concrete initially between 70 and 100 revolutions at manufacturer-designated
545 mixing speed, after ingredients, including water, are in the mixer. Water may be
546 added to the mixture not more than two times after the initial mixing is completed.
547 The addition of water at the project site must comply with the requirements of
548 Subsection 503.03. Each time that water is added, turn the drum an additional 30
549 revolutions or more at mixing speed until the concrete is mixed uniformly.
550

551 When furnishing shrink-mixed concrete, transfer partially mixed concrete at
552 the central plant to a truck mixer. Apply requirements for truck-mixed concrete.
553 The Engineer will not credit the number of revolutions at mixing speed for partial
554 mixing in the central plant.
555

556 When accepted by the Engineer, concrete batches not exceeding 1/3 cubic
557 yard may be hand-mixed on a watertight, level platform. Measure the proper
558 amount of coarse aggregate in measuring boxes and spread it on the platform.
559 Spread fine aggregate on that coarse aggregate layer. Limit coarse and fine
560 aggregate layers to a total depth of one foot. Spread dry cement on this
561 mixture. Turn whole mass not less than two times dry. Add sufficient clean
562 water, and distributed it evenly. Turn whole mass again, not less than three
563 times, not including placing in carriers or forms. Mortar mixers of appropriate
564 size may be used when accepted by the Engineer.
565

566 **(E) Transporting Mixed Concrete.** Transport central-mixed concrete to the
567 delivery point in truck agitators or truck mixers operating at speed designated by
568 the equipment manufacturer as agitating speed; or in non-agitating hauling
569 equipment, provided consistency and workability of mixed concrete upon
570 discharge at the delivery point suitable for placement and consolidation in place.
571 The mixed concrete after hauling to the delivery point must comply with the
572 uniformity criteria when tested as specified in Section 12.5 of ASTM C94.
573

574 For revolving drum truck mixers transporting central-mixed concrete, limit
575 concrete volume to the manufacturer's rated capacity for agitator operation.
576 Maintain agitating speed for both revolving drum mixers and revolving blade type
577 agitators as designated on the manufacturer's metal data plate. Equip truck mixers
578 or truck agitators with electrically or mechanically actuated counters. Activate
579 counters after introducing cement to aggregates.
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581 Bodies of non-agitating hauling equipment must be smooth, watertight,
582 metal containers equipped with gates to permit control of concrete discharge.
583 Protect open-topped haul vehicle against the weather and wind with cover
584 accepted by the Engineer.
585

586 When hauling concrete in non-agitating trucks, complete discharge within
587 30 minutes after introducing mixing water to cement and aggregates.
588

589 When a truck mixer or agitator is used for transporting central-mixed

concrete to the delivery point, complete discharge within 1-1/2 hours, after the introduction of mixing water to cement and aggregates, or cement to aggregates. For truck-mixed concrete, complete concrete discharge within 1-1/2 hours. This time limitation is permitted to be waived by the Engineer if after the 1-1/2-hour time limit has been reached, the concrete has a slump that it can be placed, without the addition of water to the batch and hydration of the concrete has not started, i.e., the temperature of the concrete is less than 90 degrees F or the required maximum temperature of the concrete. Also, the set time is increased by the use of a retarder in the mix design and acceptance of the increased set time is obtained before use from the Engineer.

Submit delivery tickets from manufacturers of truck-mixed concrete and central-mixed concrete with each truckload of concrete before unloading at the jobsite. Printed, stamped, or written delivery ticket must include the following information:

- (1) Name of concrete plants.
- (2) Serial number of the ticket.
- (3) Date and truck number.
- (4) Name of Contractor.
- (5) Specific project, route, or designation of job (name and location).
- (6) Specific class or designation of concrete in accordance with Contract Documents.
- (7) Quantity of concrete in cubic yards.
- (8) Time of loading batch or mixing of cement and aggregates.
- (9) Water added by the receiver of concrete and receiver's initials.
- (10) Information that is necessary to calculate the total mixing water added by the producer. Total mixing water includes free water on aggregates, water, and water added by the truck operator from the mixer tank at the project site.
- (11) The amount of water held back from the batched concrete mix that can be added to the concrete mix at the project and still not cause the mix to exceed the accepted mix design water to cement ratio.
- (12) Readings of non-resettable revolution counters of truck mixers after the introduction of cement to aggregates, or introduction of mixing water to

601.03

636 cement aggregates

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638 (13) Supplier's mix number or code and include the mix design name.

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640 Furnish additional information designated by the Engineer and required by
641 job specifications upon request.

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643 (F) **Consistency.** Regulate the quantity of water and admixtures used in
644 concrete mixes so that concrete consistency, as determined by the AASHTO T
645 119 test method, is within the nominal slump range specified in Table 601.03-3 -
646 Slump for Concrete. If the concrete slump exceeds the nominal slump, adjust
647 subsequent batches of the mixture. If slump exceeds maximum slump, the
648 Engineer will reject concrete unless it is solely deemed by the Engineer as
649 satisfactory for use.

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651 The Engineer will also reject harsh or unworkable concrete that cannot be
652 properly placed. Remove rejected concrete at no increase in the contract price or
653 contract time.

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655 Slump for concrete must be as specified in "Table 601.03-3 – Slump for
656 Concrete".

TABLE 601.03-3 - SLUMP FOR CONCRETE		
Type of Work	Nominal Slump Inches	*Maximum Slump Inches
Concrete Pavements	0 – 3	3-1/2
Reinforced Concrete Structures: Sections Over 12 Inches	0 – 4	5
Sections 12 Inches Thick or Less	2 – 5	6
Non-Reinforced Concrete Facilities	1 – 3	4
Concrete Placed Underwater	6 – 8	9
Bridge Decks	0 – 3	3-1/2

658 *A waiver to the maximum slump requirement may be requested from the Engineer.
659 Submit justification for the granting of the waiver request along with how the mix design's
660 components ensure that the mix will not segregate.

661
662 In adverse or difficult conditions that may affect the placement of concrete, the above
663 slump limitations may be exceeded for placement workability, with the addition of
664 admixture conforming to Subsection "711.03 – Admixtures", if the design mix redesign is
665 accepted by the Engineer in writing and the water-cement ratio is complies with Contract
666 Documents requirements. Provide additional cement and water, or admixture at no
667 increase in the contract price or contract time.

- 669 **(G) Forms.** Construct forms in accordance with applicable sections.
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671 **(H) Placing Concrete.** Place concrete in accordance with applicable sections.
672
673 **(I) Finishing Concrete Surfaces.** Finish concrete surfaces in accordance
674 with applicable sections.
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676 **(J) Curing Concrete.** Cure concrete in accordance with applicable sections.
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678 **601.04 Measurement.** The Engineer will measure concrete in accordance with the
679 applicable sections.
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681 **601.05 Payment.** The Engineer will pay for the accepted concrete under the
682 applicable sections.
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END OF SECTION 601