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Health & Safety



Health and Safety is the overarching value of LafargeHolcim.

At LafargeHolcim, we want to do more than prevent accidents, we want to create a healthy and safe environment for our employees, contractors, communities and customers based on a true safety culture.

Health and Safety is at the center of everything we do, from the daily routines in our plants to our customers' project worksites and our actions in our neighboring communities. Our aspiration is to conduct our business with zero harm to people. We believe in visible leadership and personal accountability for Health and Safety at all levels and throughout our organization.

To reach this aspiration, we are committed to:

- Maintain a global Health and Safety Management System designed to continuously improve our performance and actively manage risk in our business.
- Drive for operational discipline by instilling a mindset of safe execution and follow-up.
- Communicate openly with all stakeholders on relevant health and safety issues.

Introduction

The objectives of the Standard Design Criteria

- Provide standard technical specifications based on proven technologies and practical experiences from plants.
- Aim toward achieving high Overall Equipment Efficiency (OEE) and Mean Time Between Failures (MTBF) values during the expected life time of the assets
- They are recognized by Suppliers as LafargeHolcim Standard.


General instructions

- The Basic Requirements document contains general specifications applicable for Mechanical, Electrical and Civil design
- The Mechanical Equipment, Electrical Equipment and Systems, and Civil and Structural Works documents shall be used in conjunction with the Basic Requirements section
- Specifications for Mechanical, Electrical and Civil components of the projects shall be reflected in the Data Sheets; they are intended to standardize the way Suppliers present specifications to LafargeHolcim

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1. GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

All statements and paragraphs marked with  are design provisions for safe construction, operation and maintenance of the facility. Deviations and exceptions are not allowed, unless approved in writing by all contractual parties.

The StDC part Basic Requirements forms an integral part of this document.

1.1 Health & Safety



The following **Fatality Prevention Elements (FPE)** have to be taken into account for the LafargeHolcim StDC when developing Civil design in order to identify and understand the potential fatalities and their causes:

- a) FPE 1 Working at Heights
- b) FPE 3 Vehicle and Traffic Safety
- c) FPE 5 Machine Guarding
- d) FPE 6 Confined Space Entry
- e) FPE 8 Digging and Excavation
- f) FPE 10 Working near water
- g) FPE 11 Rail Safety
- h) FPE 12 Quarry slopes & Stockpiles

1.2 Responsibility for Civil Engineering Design

The entire Civil Engineering Design (including Structural Steel Design) for buildings, structures, facilities and infrastructures shall be fully coordinated with the respective Mechanical and Electrical Process Equipment Design, and shall include all interconnection with and to existing civil structures and infrastructures.

The Contractor shall provide everything required for the proper Civil Engineering Design of the Works as defined in the Contract, notwithstanding any omission or interference of Limits from the Owner's Specifications.

The Contractor is entirely responsible for the satisfaction of the General Design Criteria and adequate provision of safety margins for all conditions of loading involved.

The Standard Design Criteria (StDC) are done with utmost care and are intended (except where stated otherwise) to cover the proper Civil Engineering Design of the Works. In case any details of Civil Engineering Design (including construction materials and/or descriptions of elements within the Civil and Structural Works) have not been referred to or in the Drawings, the necessity of what may be reasonably implied or inferred from the Specification, Drawings or Plant requirements; such details are deemed to be the Contractor's responsibility to design.

1.3 Applicable Standards and Requirements

The applicable standards for Civil Engineering Design (including structural steel design) and materials shall be defined and agreed upon at the beginning of the Project. After that, changes of design and material standards shall be formally requested in writing pending review and approval by the Owner.

In addition to the most recent applicable local Civil Engineering Design standards and Codes, the latest Eurocodes EN 1990 – EN 1999 shall be fulfilled. Other international standards might be accepted but are subject to prior approval by the Owner's Representative/Owner.

The requirements as special loading, peak values for temperature, earthquake, wind, temporary strain, soil conditions, (temporary construction loads need to be coordinated with the construction) shall be provided for according to the local conditions and the design of the pertaining Equipment. Sufficient allowance shall be made to avoid the influence of settlements (absolute and differential) on sensitive Equipment, plant operation, structures and neighboring buildings. Allowance shall be made for eccentricity of loading in the dynamic condition, for all possible combinations of distributing material under normal operating conditions or by accident or breakdown, for vibration, impact, thermal movements and for all important environmental characteristics, such as dust precipitation and load according to the StDC and applicable standards.

The dimensions of all buildings, structures and infrastructures shall provide sufficient space for operation, maintenance and safe removal of machinery as defined on drawings. In addition to ensuring optimum operational efficiency, access shall be granted to all machinery components, parts and areas. Adequate circulation areas shall be provided.

Fire resistance of structures shall fulfill Eurocode EN 1991-1-2 for actions on structures, EN 1992-1-2 for concrete and EN 1993-1-2 for steel structures and all locally required standards.

Drawings, calculations and diagrams covering all aspects of the civil design and structural steel works shall be furnished as required by the Conditions of the Contract.

The StDC set forth herein have been prepared for use in the design of all structures and infrastructures. The purpose of this Specification is to facilitate the work of the designer, provide uniformity of the design and to provide data and design criteria, which may otherwise be overlooked. In addition any relevant regulations, applicable standards and approval procedures of the competent Local Authorities have to be applied. All workmanship shall be executed in accordance with recognized good practice and in accordance with the appropriate and actual codes of practice applicable to the particular category of work.

For some specific materials and applicable standards refer also to StDC part *Basic Requirements*. Deviations from the listed material standards shall be formally requested in writing pending review and approval by the Owner.

2. DESIGN LOADS

The following loads shall be used as minimum loads and they have been categorized as follows: Dead Loads, Live Loads, Environmental Loads and Extraordinary Loads. The given loads are characteristic values, not yet multiplied with load factors.

2.1 Dead Load

Consist on the weight of all construction materials incorporated into the building and fixed machinery and equipment.

Weight of materials:

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|----|------------------------------|---------------------------|
| a) | Concrete self-weight | 25.0 kN/m ³ |
| b) | Structural Steel self-weight | 78.5 kN/m ³ |
| c) | Utilities | According to requirements |

2.2 Dust Load

All the structures shall consider these loads due to the potential accumulation of dust, which can be permanent or temporary dust loads.

Weight of materials:

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|----|-----------------------------------|-----------------------|
| a) | Dust Load | 1.0 kN/m ² |
| b) | Dust Load on roofs inclined > 30° | 0.5 kN/m ² |

2.2.1 Dust Load on Ducts

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|----|--|--|
| a) | Slopes less than 15°: | 50% of cross sectional area. |
| b) | Slopes greater than 15° but less than 45°: | 25% of cross sectional area. |
| c) | Slopes greater than 45°: | 5% interior area of duct filled with dust, or 50 mm thick dust caking on inside perimeter, whichever is greater. |

2.3 Live Load

2.3.1 Roof Live Load

The roofs are categorized by its occupancy as accessible and not accessible.

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|----|---|-----------------------|
| a) | Roofs accessible with occupancy: | |
| | • Distributed Load (horizontally projected) | 1.5 kN/m ² |
| | • Concentrated Load | 1.5 kN |
| b) | Roofs not accessible except for extraordinary maintenance and repair: | |
| c) | Distributed Load (horizontally projected) | 0.5 kN/m ² |

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|----|--|-----------------------|
| d) | Concentrated Load | 1.5 kN |
| e) | Roofs hanging cable trays, conduits, etc. | 5.0 kN/m ² |
| f) | If the design load exceeds above value, then effective load shall be considered. | |

2.3.2 Floor Live Load

Floor live loads shall be based on probable area loading in addition to Equipment loads and shall not be reduced for large floor areas.

Minimum floor loads other than listed below shall be in accordance with the standards and local codes.

The minimum loads to be considered are:

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|----|---|------------------------|
| a) | Office buildings: | |
| | • Office area | 2.5 kN/m ² |
| | • Archive and storage area | 5.0 kN/m ² |
| b) | Industrial structures and buildings: | |
| | • Ground floors
(Not accessible for heavy equipment or forklifts) | 5.0 kN/m ² |
| | • Elevated Platforms | 2.5 kN/m ² |
| c) | Conveyor walkways | 1.5 kN/m ² |
| d) | Gangways | 1.5 kN/m ² |
| e) | Stairs | 2.5 kN/m ² |
| f) | Horizontal load on handrails | 0.8 kN/m |
| g) | Electrical control panel areas and control rooms | 5.0 kN/m ² |
| h) | Clinker Cooler burner floor | 5.0 kN/m ² |
| | • In storage areas for refractory (area to be defined) | 20.0 kN/m ² |
| | • For column and foundation design | 15.0 kN/m ² |
| i) | Preheater main floors (local design for slabs & beams) | 5.0 kN/m ² |
| | • In storage areas for refractory (area to be defined) | 10.0 kN/m ² |
| | • Moving load of one refractory pallet | 15.0 kN |
| | • Columns and foundations | 5.0 kN/m ² |
| | • Cyclones clogging load condition need to be considered as extraordinary load. | |

2.3.3 Traffic Load

Vehicle loads on roads and ground floors accessible for trucks and forklifts

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|----|----------------------------|------------------------|
| a) | Uniform load on floor slab | 20.0 kN/m ² |
|----|----------------------------|------------------------|

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|----|---|-----------------------|
| b) | Axle load (2 wheels per axle)
(In areas accessible for heavy Equipment, special loads have to be provided) | 140.0 kN/axle |
| c) | Pavement load for non-motorized traffic area | 5.0 kN/m ² |

2.3.4 Impact Load

All columns placed near truck and forklift traffic are to be designed against horizontal impact loading according to the relevant standards. Alternatively, impact protection barriers can be mounted around columns.

2.3.5 Dynamic Operation Load

All structures shall be designed to resist the involved dynamic loads during an equipment operation.

2.3.6 Crane Load

Crane loads shall be applied according to manufacturer's recommendations, fatigue to be considered by reduction of permissible stresses.

Design of crane supporting structures shall follow Eurocode (e.g. EN 1993-6 for structural steel) or other relevant standards if approved by Owner.

The maximum deflection of crane girders shall be:

- a) Vertical and Lateral is $L/600$ or in line with the crane manufacturers recommendations the more stringent of the two shall be applied (Class A, B)

L is equal to the span or double of cantilever length.

Differential horizontal deflection between parallel crane girders shall be limited to the maximum of 20 mm (to be checked with the crane specifications).

Continuous crane girders shall be used whenever possible.

Where more than one crane occupies the same runway, two fully loaded cranes shall be assumed in the same runway but only one of the two with impact, for the computation of stresses caused by vertical loads. For continuous girders, check for negative moments, when cranes are in adjacent bays.

Splices in continuous crane girders shall be made not closer to a column than $1/10$ the span. Splices shall be made for the maximum bending moment and shear at the section, but not for less than one-half the resistance of the girder. Field splices of girders shall be made with high-strength bolts or welds.

Length of crane girders will be set in the field based on available material and also on shipping restrictions.

Application of crane lateral forces:

- a) Assume the roof does not translate. Determine the column moments caused by the lateral crane force and the necessary reaction to be supplied by the roof structure. Take account of the degree of fixation to be supplied by the foundation.

- b) Crane girder lateral strength shall be computed by using that portion of the member above the neutral axis.
- c) For continuous crane girders, the unsupported length of the bottom flange may be the governing factor.
- d) Crane bumpers shall be designed for stopping impact of loaded crane at 1/2 rated bridge speed and allowing plunger travel as specified by manufacturer but not less than 50 mm.

2.3.7 Vibrating Load

2.3.7.1 Equipment Framing

Isolate vibrating machines, which will set up excessive building vibrations from the main structural framing, where possible. Where it is not possible to isolate such Equipment, the supporting members and their columns shall be checked for adequacy from the standpoints of their natural frequency of vibration in relation to the frequency of the vibrating Equipment. Tension bracing and stair stringers shall also be designed as compression struts, and channel stair stringers shall be braced on the underside to provide a lateral truss. Horizontal vibrations in members shall be prevented by the use of lateral bracing.

2.3.7.2 Equipment on Isolated Foundation Blocks

Small machinery foundations for reciprocating or centrifugal machinery shall be sized to weigh at least 3.0 times as much as the machine.

Large machinery foundations shall be designed on the basis of a frequency comparison: machine operating frequency compared with the natural frequency of the combined machine and its foundation.

The Engineer shall prove that the system own frequency (machine, foundation and soil) is away at least 20% from the machine supplier acceptable frequencies (lower and upper ranges) in all possible operation scenarios.

A dynamic insulation membrane shall be used if required.

2.3.8 Lateral Pressure Load

As lateral pressure loads shall be considered the ground water pressure, lateral earth pressure above and below grade and pressure of bulk materials on retaining walls.

2.4 Environmental Load

2.4.1 Temperature Load

The structural design of buildings and structures shall consider the impact of temperature on the structure generated by conduction, convection and radiation and/or contact with process Equipment or materials. Special attention shall be given to the assessment of temperature loads in silos and on preheater towers and precalciner structures (considering the close exposure of structural elements to high

radiant temperatures from the kiln, cyclones, calciner, ducts and other process Equipment). Uniform and gradient temperatures shall be considered.

2.4.2 Wind Load

All structures shall be designed to withstand wind pressure in accordance with the relevant standards and requirements.

In areas of high wind forces, the buildings and structures shall be designed to ensure a normal operation of the plant, i.e. the horizontal displacement of buildings and structures shall be limited in accordance with the connected or installed Equipment.

At project sites with significant wind factors, it is compulsory to cover the entire pre-heater with an appropriate cladding, in order to reduce the shear effect and the subsequent potential additional steel quantity. The pre-heater designer may however propose to leave the pre-heater without cladding if he demonstrates that the wind factor has no influence on the pre-heater structural steel quantity.

Special attention shall be put on the criteria of measuring the wind speed (3-sec gust, 5-min mean, 10-min mean, 1-hour mean, etc.) in the different design standards

2.4.3 Earthquake Load

All structures shall be designed to sustain the seismic load according to local norms and regulations, but are subject to prior approval by the Owner's Representative. Local norms & Eurocode EN 1998 (or IBC in North America) base value for ground acceleration "a" shall be represented in % of g; Earthquake with a return period of 475 years with 10% of probability exceedance in 50 years (2% in IBC).

For the base shear force calculation, the effective seismic weight shall consider at least the total dead load, total operating weight of permanent equipment and 25% of the floor live loads.

All structures behavior response factor and structural system are both subject to prior approval by the Owner's Representative.

2.4.4 Snow Load

All structures shall be designed to bear the snow load pressure according to local norms and regulations, but are subject to prior approval by the Owner's Representative. Local norms & Eurocode EN 1991-1-3 (or ASCE 7 in North America)

- a) Frost depth: where atmospheric ice loads due to freezing rain, snow, and in-cloud icing, the minimum embedment below grade level to provide frost protection shall be determined.

2.5 Extraordinary Loads

2.5.1 Cyclone Clogging

The minimum load value of a clogged cyclone is the dust volume accumulation from the bottom of the cone to the dip tube.

The combination of these extraordinary loads shall be done as follows:

- a) Local Design: All platforms shall be designed to resist the clogging load. When one or more cyclones are installed at the same platform, the clogging load shall be analyzed for all cyclones but never simultaneously; combinations shall be made moving the clogging load from one to other cyclone.
- b) Global Design: For columns and Foundations, the clogging load shall be analyzed for all cyclones but never simultaneously; combinations shall be made moving the clogging load from one to other cyclone, and from one to other platform, in order to find the most critical location.

2.5.2 Kiln misalignment

Increased vertical and horizontal loads caused by kiln bending (high temperature condition) shall be considered in the load assumptions, and agreed among Engineer, Equipment Supplier and Owner.

2.6 Load Combinations

The relevant design situations shall be studied and critical load cases identified. For each critical load case, the design values of the effects of actions in combination shall be determined. Rules for the combination of independent actions in design situations shall follow the applicable design standard. The load combinations shall consider dead load, live load, wind, earthquake, snow, temperature, dust, extraordinary loads, lateral and vertical earth pressure as applicable.

2.7 Pile and Foundation Design

2.7.1 General

The pile and foundation design shall be based on the results of the detailed geotechnical soil investigation. Sufficient allowance shall be made to avoid injurious influences of settlement differences on sensitive buildings, structures and Equipment, plant operation and neighboring buildings.

Absolute and differential settlements have to be limited in order that the design is suitable for equipment and building use.

For preheater and kiln piers, maximum differential settlement shall not exceed 25 mm, or if more stringent, the equipment suppliers criteria.

The method of settlement calculation applied by the Engineer is subject to Owners approval.

Any change of the groundwater level caused by the Contractors and/ or on Engineers request is subject to Owners approval.

The Engineer is responsible for the proper implementation of the Soil Engineers results and respective pile or foundation design.

2.7.2 Testing of Foundations

Before concrete is placed on the excavation base of foundations, any test deemed necessary or particularly ordered by the Soil Engineer and/or specified in Standard Inspection and Testing, shall be carried out. The tests shall include plate-bearing tests on the base of major foundations, density tests on cohesionless surface soils and undrained shear strength tests of cohesive layers.

2.7.3 Bearing Piles

Where bearing piles are incorporated in the foundation, full details of the proposed piling system, dimensions, reinforced design, bearing capacity, manufacturing, piling and testing methods shall be provided before piling commences. All shall conform to the latest valid standards EN 1997 (geotechnical design), EN 1536 (bored piles) and EN 12699 (displacement piles) or equivalent.

The piles shall be designed to withstand all stresses due to loads applied including stresses due to handling pitching, driving and any tensile stresses caused by driving adjacent piles. Pre-cast sections entirely without reinforcement will not be accepted.

If steel piles are proposed, due consideration shall be given to the long and short-term effects of corrosion and to corrosion protection.

The working drawings shall include pile layout plans with positions, types and numbers complete with the spacing and angles of piles clearly marked on the drawing. The maximum design-working load of each pile and pile group shall be clearly shown and tabulated.

The groundwater level shall be verified and considered in piling method choice (e.g. Bentonite or steel casing) and pile design.

2.7.4 Testing of Piles

a) Static Pile Tests

A number of test piles shall be driven and tested for proof loading and determination of load settlement characteristics before detailed engineering commences.

b) Pile Integrity Test

Pile integrity tests shall be carried out on the 50% of the piles.

3. **CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS**

3.1 **Concrete**

The design of reinforced concrete structures shall comply with the requirements specified in the latest valid Eurocode EN 1992 or equivalent.

Concrete Quality Class (EN 206-1 / EN 1992)	Min. Nominal Comp. Strength (N/mm ²)	
	100mm cylinder	150mm cube
C8/10	8	10
C12/15	12	15
C20/25	20	25
C25/30	25	30
C30/37	30	37
C35/45	35	45

Table 1: Required Concrete Strength

Concrete of quality C8/10 and C12/15 shall be used as plain/mass concrete only. Lean mix concrete in blinding layers shall be of quality C12/15.

The quality of reinforced concrete for foundations and structural members shall be C25/30 or higher. The quality of concrete for silo walls and heavy loaded columns shall be C30/37 or higher.

For special applications concrete quality C35/45 shall be used, if required by structural design.

For pre-stressed concrete structures only concrete of quality of C30/37 or higher is accepted.

3.1.1 **Concrete Cover for Reinforcing Steel**

Structure	Min. Concrete Cover for Reinforcing Steel
Foundations	50 mm*
Concrete exposed to the ground (below G.L.)	40 mm*
Concrete exposed to the weather (above G.L.)	40 mm*
Concrete exposed to sea climate	40 mm*
Concrete indoors (tempered buildings)	20 mm*

* or higher according to the applied standards.

Table 2: Concrete Cover for Reinforcing Steel

3.2 **Reinforcing Steel**

For all constructions in reinforced concrete quality C25/30 and higher, the following reinforcing steel qualities in accordance with the latest valid Eurocode EN 1992 or equivalent (subject to approval by the Owner's Representative) shall be used:

Following is an example from the Eurocode, other code minimum yield values (e.g. ASTM A615: minimum yield strength = 420 N/mm²) are subject to Owners approval.

Reinforcing Steel Type	Minimum Yield Strength	Ultimate Tensile Strength
Steel B500B (ribbed steel bar)	500 N/mm ²	550 N/mm ²
Steel B500B (welded steel mesh)	500 N/mm ²	550 N/mm ²

Table 3: Reinforcing Steel Grades

Ground slabs, roads and places can be reinforced with plastic fibers, subject to Owners approval.

3.3 Structural Steel

3.3.1 General

All design of structural steel works and steel flooring shall be in accordance with the latest valid Eurocode EN 1993 or equivalent (subject to approval by the Owner's Representative).

Structural Steel Type	Thickness (mm)			
	$t \leq 40\text{mm}$		$40\text{mm} \leq t \leq 100\text{mm}$	
	Minimum Yield Strength	Ultimate Tensile Strength	Minimum Yield Strength	Ultimate Tensile Strength
S235	235 N/mm ²	360 N/mm ²	215 N/mm ²	340 N/mm ²
S275	275 N/mm ²	430 N/mm ²	255 N/mm ²	410 N/mm ²
S355	355 N/mm ²	510 N/mm ²	335 N/mm ²	490 N/mm ²

Table 4: Structural Steel Grades

Equivalent ASTM steel qualities are:

- a) ASTM A36: minimum yield strength = 250 N/mm²
- b) ASTM 992: minimum yield strength = 350 N/mm²

3.3.2 Connections

Structural steel connections shall be bolted.

All bolt connections shall be made with high tensile strength, galvanized bolts and shall be designed to transmit vertical and/or horizontal loads or reactions. Minimum connection for beams shall be made with high-strength bolts. Minimum connection for diagonals shall be two 20 mm diameter high strength bolts or equivalent.

Bolt Class EN 20898-2	Minimum Yield Strength	Ultimate Tensile Strength
10.9	900 N/mm ²	1'000 N/mm ²
8.8	640 N/mm ²	800 N/mm ²
4.8 *	320 N/mm ²	400 N/mm ²

* Allowed for secondary structures only (Purlins, girts and handrails).

Table 5: Bolts Class

Equivalent ASTM steel qualities are:

- a) ASTM A490: minimum yield strength = 780 N/mm²
- b) ASTM A325: minimum yield strength = 620 N/mm²
- c) ASTM A307: minimum yield strength = 310 N/mm²

If necessary, welded connections shall be designed and executed according to the latest valid standard EN 1090-2, or equivalent.

Anchor bolts shall be designed for all conditions of tensions and shear. Provide shear keys if the anchor bolts are inadequate to take the column base shear.

Large column base plates shall be provided with holes for proper grouting. For anchor bolts greater than or equal to 20 mm diameter a sole plate is preferred or alternatively the use of a grout sleeve is acceptable.

3.3.3 Steel Purlins and Girts

Vertical or horizontal deflections of purlins and girts shall not be more than L/250 for unreduced Live Loads.

For purlins or girts supporting corrugated roofing or similar construction, the unsupported length shall be the distance between the sag rods.

Purlins, which serve also as the chords of a lateral truss, shall be designed as bracing members in compression.

3.3.4 Sag Rods

Sag rods shall terminate in a member of adequate stiffness or framing provided to resist tension in the rod.

3.3.5 Bracings

Building bracings with light loads may be designed as tension cross bracings, provided that the connections do not become excessively large.

Compression bracing is recommended where bracing loads are large.

Roof bracing shall be typically fastened to the underside of purlins in order to prevent sagging.

Continuous longitudinal members, when used exclusively to brace the bottom chords of roof trusses between sway frames, shall be designed as tension members only.

Should a line of these members terminate in a sway frame at one end only, such members shall be designed as struts.

Vertical bracings which carry tension only and consist of single-angle diagonals that are connected at their intersection shall have the following minimum ratio (L is length in meters and r is radius of gyration in meters):

$L/r \geq$ of 300 (about the vertical axis – L = total length between extremities)

$L/r \geq$ of 300 (about any axis – L = length between one end and the intersection point).

3.3.6 Built-Up members

Built-Up members shall be avoided if possible

Commercial rolled steel beams of adequate size are preferred over Built-up members in construction of steel structures. If Built-up members are used, consisting of splicing a series of plates or welding cover plates to the flanges, the welds shall be designed and proportioned to resist the bending and shear stresses in the flanges. The welds shall not be discontinuous in the loads areas, shall comply with the design documentation, and shall be made in workshops by qualified welders and all inspected visually and with NDT.

For best practice in the design and usage of Built-up members of all types, refer to the recommendations of American Institute for Steel Construction, Specifications for Structural Steel Buildings 360.

3.3.7 Gratings and Checkered Plates

Gratings and checkered plates shall be designed according to the specified live loads.

Gratings shall be hot galvanized. The supporting grid of the gratings shall have a minimum depth of 30 mm and a minimum thickness of 2 mm. For safety reasons, the mesh shall have a gap of maximum 19 mm on the short side to avoid pieces falling.

The checkered plate thickness shall be min. 5/7 mm. The surface of checkered plates shall have good non-slip properties. The span for both gratings and checkered plates shall be less than 1.20m.

Grating shall be mechanically secured to support member's fasteners to be approved by Owner.

Checkered plates shall be plug and seal welded unless otherwise approved by Owner.

The necessary supporting structures (corner steel, grooves, angles under checkered plates) and their fastening shall be shown in the drawings.

In areas where the checkered plates need to be removed periodically for inspection or maintenance, the individual plates shall not exceed 50 kg in weight, or 1'200 mm in length.

Checkered plate flooring shall not be used as horizontal bracing in the design of buildings and structures.

3.4 Roofing and Cladding

The design of fixing, overlapping and sealing is subject to the Owner's written approval.



3.4.1 Profiled Metal Sheets


Profiled metal sheets for roofing and cladding of buildings and structures shall be watertight and weatherproof and shall offer adequate resistance to local climatic conditions. Special fittings have to match with the sheets. Color needs to be uniform and color choice shall be approved by the Owner.

3.4.2 Design Requirements

- a) Minimum steel quality shall conform to latest valid standard Eurocode EN 10025 or equivalent (min. tensile strength of 360 N/mm² for S235JRG2 and of 510 N/mm² for S355J2G3).
- b) The extent of metal cladding on steel structures needs to be minimized to the greatest extent reasonable and shall be a project specific decision.
- c) Steel core thickness min. 0.60 mm for roof and walls
- d) Overall wave height:
 - Min. 40 mm for corrugated sheets ("big-wave" type), translucent panel profiles to match wall panels.
 - Min. 30 mm for trapezoidal sheets
- e) Rust preventing treatment:
 - Galvanization of all surfaces to min. Z-275 (total 275 gram zinc per m²)
 - Additional PVC coating or stoving enamel (on the weathered side), weather-proof and UV-resistant. According to location, suitability and protection level shall be defined.
- f) Minimum roof slope shall be 10%
- g) The deflection of roof and wall sheeting shall not exceed 1/200 of the span.
- h) Heat-resistance of the sheets up to 100°C
- i) The influence of the temperature and temperature differences on the construction shall be provided
- j) Connections, edgings, closures and other special fittings shall be provided by the sheet manufacturer and shall match wall colour. All metal parts (self-cutting screws, hook bolts) have to be galvanized.
- k) Profiled metal sheet have to be fastened to the purlins and rafters of the supporting structure.
- l) Self-cutting screws, hook bolts shall be designed for the maximum expected local loads. Roof applications need to have a rubber washer provided to guarantee water tightness.
- m) Start of face cladding to be:


- At the foot of the supporting steel structure
 - Min. 0.2 m lower than the backing solid structure.
- n) To avoid undesirable solar radiation, natural ventilated louvers shall be provided, where necessary.
- o) Thermal insulation to be provided depending on the requirements of the specific building.
- p) All end laps shall have a minimum width of 150 mm and be located over a purlin or rail.
- q) Roofing and cladding shall always be watertight.
- r) Alumina sheets are acceptable subject to proven design specifications and Owners approval.

3.4.3 Translucent Sheets

The installation of these translucent sheets is limited to the facades (siding), and shall not be installed in roofs. 

Translucent Sheets if utilized to benefit environmental goals (at a premium installation cost), shall be watertight, weatherproof, UV- and heat-resistant and stable against deformations. Their shape and profile shall go well together with the normal cladding sheets they meet and replace. Refer to paragraph 4.11 (Daylight Design).

3.4.4 Insulation


Wall insulation shall have sufficient resistance against mechanical and fire attack and fulfill the following requirements: 

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|-------------------------|------------------------------|
| a) Relative density | approx. 30 kg/m ³ |
| b) Thermal conductivity | approx. 0.035 W/mK |
| c) Steam conductivity | approx. 0.68 mg/m h mbar |

Where cladded faces or roofs shall have thermal insulation, such insulation shall be designed and fastened according to the building conditions and the involved supporting structure.

The design shall provide for appropriate natural ventilation of cladded hollows to avoid undesirable heating by solar radiation.

Roof insulation shall have not less than 50 mm thickness and with sufficient strength. It shall be placed upon the supporting purlins, below the sheeting and shall be fastened to the purlins together with the sheeting.

The type and layer thickness of insulating material for Equipment and ductwork depend on the application. Refer to StDC part Mechanical Equipment. 

3.5 **Masonry**

3.5.1 **General**

The design of masonry brickwork and concrete blockwork shall be in accordance with the latest valid Eurocode EN 1996 or equivalent.

All walls and panels in brick or blockwork shall be of sufficient strength and thickness to withstand live loads, dead loads and wind pressures without distortion or cracking. All walls and wall panels shall be adequately secured to all structural columns and beams by adequate means allowing for the movements due to temperature without chipping-off and cracking. Where metal lugs or anchors are provided, they shall be of non-corrosive metal. All expansion joints have to be adequately sealed and protected. For wall heights of 4.5 m and over, the blockwork shall be subdivided by R.C. framing into panels of not more than 20 m² in size.

Walls thickness of less than 15 cm will be accepted only as non-bearing walls, with less than 3.00 m height. In seismic areas specific constraints shall be considered.

3.5.2 **Concrete Blockwork**

The minimum comprehensive strength of all blocks shall be as follows:

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|--------------------------|----------------------|
| a) For bearing walls | 12 N/mm ² |
| b) For non-bearing walls | 6 N/mm ² |

The latest valid Eurocode EN 1996 shall be used as a guideline.

3.5.3 **Brickwork**

For the design of ancillary buildings and for internal masonry walls of production buildings, clay brickwork walls may be used.

The minimum comprehensive strength of all bricks shall be 12 N/mm² for bearing walls and 6 N/mm² for non-bearing walls. For the design of brick walls, the latest valid Eurocode EN 1996 shall be used as a guideline.

3.6 **Concrete Slabs on Grade**

3.6.1 **General**

In general all slabs on grade shall be at least 180 mm thick (based on traffic loads and soil conditions) and shall be reinforced with welded steel wire mesh or reinforcing steel bars.

The maximum spacing for joints shall be:

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|---------------------------------------|---------|
| a) For contraction joints (saw cuts): | 5.00 m |
| b) For construction joints: | 30.00 m |

On heavy loaded slabs (vehicles with axle load of more than 2 tons) transmission of shear forces in the construction joints shall be ensured with shear dowels to avoid

differential settlement. For contraction joints the slab shall be sectioned during the first 24 hours after the casting.

All slabs on grade shall be supported in a sub-base consisting of well-graded natural sands, gravels or rock or mixtures thereof shall be laid and compacted in accordance to the Owner's Specifications.

Alternatively plastic fiber concrete may be used, subject to Owners approval.

Optimum proctor test shall be made to identify soil feature and highlight optimum humidity for compaction. Minimum proctor value for sub-base compaction shall be 95%.

3.6.2 Non-Slip Finish

Concrete slabs of treads, landings, access steps, access ramps and other critical areas are to be given non-slip properties by working carborundum grit into the surfaces prior to finishing to a depth of 10 mm.

4. BUILDINGS AND STRUCTURES

4.1 Lines and Levels

The ground floor level of all buildings shall be at least 200 mm above finished site level. Where necessary, appropriate adaptations such as steps and ramps shall be provided.

The levels of all floors and platforms shall be a multiple of 0.20 m.

The levels of existing adjacent buildings shall be taken into account were applicable.

4.2 Expansion Joints

A sufficient number of joints of proper disposition and dimension shall be provided in order to prevent damages due to:

- a) Different stiffness of neighboring buildings or other structures
- b) Different settlements
- c) Machine-operation (vibration)
- d) Influences of temperature
- e) Different constructions or construction materials
- f) In seismic areas, sufficient gap shall be provided to avoid potential movement of adjacent buildings in opposite phases.

To prevent damages by noise and vibration, individual heavy items of machinery are to be provided with their own, well-separated foundations, as to be determined by special calculation.

The joints are to be designed such as to guarantee good function or durability of the joint. Sealing compound and other filling materials shall be of tropical quality (as applicable at the place of installation) and be able to sustain the local working conditions during construction and operation of the plant. Joints shall be protected; filling product is subject to Owner's approval.

4.3 Walkways, Stairs and Platforms



Where specified, platform arrangements shall be provided with stairs (inclination 35 to 40 degrees, length to be limited to match a stair height of 3 m) and landings with handrailing. Refer to paragraph 4.4 (Handrailing).

The minimum clearance height for undisturbed passage on all main platforms, walkways and stairways shall be $H/W = 2.2/1.0^1$ m, measured perpendicular to the plight. Secondary walkways and stairs for access to Equipment shall be designed with $H/W = 2.2/0.8$ m at least. Spiral stairs will be avoided wherever possible.

Step height shall not exceed 200 mm and the sum of two times step height plus the step depth shall be in between 600 and 660 mm ($600 \text{ mm} \leq 2H + D \leq 660 \text{ mm}$).

All platforms and walkways shall be designed to the following rules, in locations with the risk of freezing an agreement with the Owner shall be made:

- a) Less than 10% inclination: no special requirements
- b) 10% to 20% inclination: (in addition to the above rules)
 - Grates: no special requirements
 - Checkered plates: anti glide device
- c) 20% to 25% inclination: (in addition to the above rules)
 - Horizontal platforms are required every 10 to 15 m
 - Non slip grating to be used
- d) More than 25% inclination: (in addition to the above rules)
 - Steps with step height of 0.20 m shall be required.
 - Non slip grating to be used

Special consideration shall be exercised in providing sufficient access space for safely unclogging dust collector hoppers and cyclones (including preheated stages).

4.3.1 Attachment of Flooring



Floor decks shall be fixed according to manufacturers' recommendation but the attachment shall be done in a manner where it is impossible to remove a panel from any area unless the panels are specifically designated for removal and equipped with appropriate signage and fall restraint systems.

¹ If not otherwise requested by local Standards

Grating shall be fixed in a way to not slip out of the floor, safety pins welded (minimum two in diagonal) on the structure or similar (bolted clips).

Any means used to fix the flooring shall not extend above the floor level.

4.3.2 Floor Openings



Floor openings in platforms shall be avoided. If openings are absolutely necessary, sufficient protection against personnel fall shall be provided.

Maintenance floor openings shall be enclosed with handrails

Inspection openings and manholes passing through floors shall be flush with floor elevation or surface.

4.3.3 Preheater Floors, Platforms and Stairways



The main platforms shall be made of checkered plates or concrete to prevent possible outflow of hot raw meal.

A steel grating platform shall be provided at a min of 200 mm above the roof of the cyclone for enabling access to measurement points over the cyclone roof during kiln operation.

All access platforms for the clean-out holes shall be made of steel grating, to remain clear of material at all time. Clean-out holes shall be provided below the platform level; to avoid accidental spillage can reach the platform and endanger the operators.

Outflow of hot raw meal might be subject to wind and is carried in shifting directions. Hence in front of a clean-out door, the platforms shall be wide enough with door opening space plus 1 m., sufficient lighting shall be provided near the clean-out holes.

The door design shall allow opening by one person, without use of hoisting equipment.

The platforms shall be configured such that there are always two paths of egress away from the poke hole location.

Stair tower and access to platforms shall be preferably located outside. If not possible, the exit and access way shall be clearly identified (on the ground and / or structure).

4.3.4 Loading Platforms



All elevated loading platforms (used by forklifts or similar) in the buildings shall be equipped with security doors to allow loading objects and transfer them on the platform. Handrail systems shall be designed so equipment lifted does not require removal of the handrail or guardrail. Equipment shall be either lifted over the rail (using hoists or cranes) and if using a forklift, such that installed handrail and toe board shall continuously remain in place and protect personnel.



4.4 Handrailing

Handrails shall meet applicable Standards and norms. For technical description refer to local regulatory requirements specific requirement of the Contract. For building presenting a risk of fire or fume (visibility or breathing restriction) into a foreseeable scenario of accident, internal handrail of staircase shall be continuous.

Handrailing shall be designed for the following locations:

- a) Around all platforms, stairways, landings and walkways
- b) Around the edges of all floors
- c) Alongside the walkways of conveyor bridges
- d) Around the perimeter of all machinery pits and sumps more than 1.00 m deep or the edge of the surrounding platforms
- e) Any other place or location where a person can potentially experience a fall

Handrailing shall include the necessary fastening. It shall consist of min. dia. 48.3 mm x 3.6 mm steel tubes for the handrail and for vertical stanchions, which shall be spaced at a maximum distance of 1.50 m.

The height of the handrail above floor shall be 1.10 m for stairs, walkways and platforms on a level up to + 20 m above ground. Above 20 m the height of the handrail shall be 1.30 m.

Handrails with a height of 1.1 m shall be provided with one secondary horizontal rod of min. dia. 32 mm x 2.6 mm steel tube and handrails with a height of 1.3 m shall be provided with two secondary rods.

Handrails shall be delivered to the construction site in pre-assembled sections of economically transportable size. Self-locking screw fasteners shall be sufficiently included for the final on-site assembly and fixation. On-site welding shall be limited to an absolute minimum.

4.4.1 Removable handrails

In case of removable handrails, anchoring points for working at height PPE use shall be provided in the area where the handrail is removed temporarily.

4.4.2 Kick Plates (Plinths or Toe Board)



Safety kick plates have to be provided for:

- a) The periphery of each cladded and uncladded floor, walkway and platform.
- b) The periphery of all floor openings
- c) And elsewhere, where an object can be knocked off the floor

The kick plates shall consist of steel sheets of 6 mm thickness and 100 mm height. The bottom of the kick plate above finished floor level (grating, checkered plate, concrete slab) shall be maximum 10 mm unless otherwise specified.

4.5 Ladders




Ladders may be provided at specified places, where no regular maintenance is necessary and only occasional access is required.


Ladders shall be min. 450 mm wide with horizontal solid rod rungs at 300 mm distance. Suitable railing shall be provided.


For ladders of more than 2.50 m height, solid safety cages shall be provided. The maximum distance for a single ladder without platforms is 6.00m.


Ladder arrival at every floor shall be equipped with a self-closing gate. All other means such as chains, falling bars, etc. shall be approved by owner.


4.6 Access Doors

All occupied buildings, including Electrical substations shall be designed with at least two emergency exits. The emergency exit doors have to be equipped with a panic bar opening system. 

For bag process bag filters penthouse, hydraulic rooms a second door shall be provided as emergency exit in case of fire. 

All exits designated as a means of egress shall have permanently illuminated "EXIT" signs identifying them. These signs shall be powered by battery or emergency generator supply. 

Where applicable doors and door frames shall satisfy the required fire resistance class. 

Doorframes and their fixation shall be of strong and rigid design. Door leaves shall be provided with a minimum of three hinges of stainless steel. 

All enclosed areas shall be provided with adequate doors, giving access to stairways and platforms and all other areas as necessary for efficient operation of the facility and meet applicable Codes, Standards and Laws.

Unless otherwise specified, the doors and frames shall be of mild steel and shall be dimensioned so as to allow the passage of plant and machinery or personnel as appropriate to their particular location. It shall be possible to obtain clear access for the extraction of the largest indivisible component of the Equipment housed in any building. Doors for electrical rooms and transformer cells shall enable unhindered escape, open towards the outside and shall be in accordance with the relevant regulations.

Before commencing fabrication, the Contractor shall submit shop drawings and specifications to the Owner's Representative for his approval. Notwithstanding this approval being obtained, the Contractor will be held responsible for proper installation and fabrication.

Doors have to be supplied as complete units of doorframe, door leaf optional with fanlight and sidelight (if any). The design shall conform to the specific local

requirements. Filling of doors for insulation shall be in rockware or equivalent approved by the owner.

The joint between the door or unit frame and the wall or steel structure shall be properly filled with mineral wool and sealed.


Door closing devices shall be provided wherever applicable. All door handles have to be of solid type for industrial use.

All doors for electrical and A/C rooms have to be dustproof. Fire doors shall be fireproof to the required degree of fire resistance. Main access doors for electrical rooms shall be via double door installation. Emergency exit or equipment handling doors may be single door design. Refer also to paragraph 4.26.1 (General Safety Aspects) and EN 1634).

Big doors higher than 3 m shall be horizontally separated or equipped with a normal sized door for daily use and an overhead removable transom.

The door design shall respect the following requirements:

4.6.1 Steel Doors

The space between the two sheets shall be filled with appropriate and fireproof insulating material. The overall door thickness shall not be less than 55 mm. 

All doors for industrial buildings and the outside doors of ancillary buildings (if not otherwise specified in the detail descriptions and/or drawings) shall be made of two steel sheets, each min. 1.5 mm thick.

4.6.2 Aluminum Doors

Where aluminum doors are specified, they shall be supplied as composed units of the required single or double door type.

The minimum dimensions for the components of the construction and the frames shall be as specified above.

The Contractor may separately and additionally propose any standard constructions which are technically equivalent to- and economically favorable above the conditions set above.

4.7 Access for Maintenance



Provision and access for maintenance and cleaning shall be made, by arranging such elements as stairs, ladders, galleries, roof exits. Generally stairs shall be provided where possible.

All access platforms and walkways shall have sufficient space to perform maintenance and areas in front of access doors to dust collectors and cyclones shall be wide enough to ensure totally safe access or retreat.

Special consideration shall be exercised in providing ample access space for safely unclogging dust collector hoppers and cyclones (including preheater stages).

Easy and suitable access for maintenance to all instruments or sensors shall be ensured.


4.8 **Restricted Access**



Where appropriate, self-closing lockable barriers shall be provided across access ways, which by their function, are not normally safe, or not normally used. Such access ways are to be marked “Restricted Access”.

4.9 **False Floors and Ceilings**

All false floors and ceilings have to be designed in accordance with the local requirements and operation conditions considering the maximum peak and fire loads to be expected.




4.9.1 **False Floors**

For the design of false floors, the following criteria shall apply:

Static loadings

- | | |
|---|----------------------|
| a) Floor-panels laid directly on supports | 13 kN/m ² |
| b) Supporting system | 18 kN/m ² |

Provision and sufficient allowance shall be made for all cables and other utilities for maintenance, repair and future modification and adaptation work. The necessary free cavity space, ramps, steps, air grilles, plastic skirting, cable cut-outs and lifting devices have to be provided as well as the required fire barriers within the cavity.




The floor panels shall have dimensional stability and resistance against attack by insects and vermin as well as resistance to microorganisms, fungus and mildew considering the prevailing local conditions.

Timber core of panels shall be sound absorbent. Each pedestal shall be capped with PVC or a similar product to prevent chatter and to dampen impact noise.

The floor shall meet the electrostatic requirements of the Equipment manufacturers and of safe operation. It shall be possible to easily replace damaged panels.

4.9.2 **False Ceilings**

Suspended panel ceilings shall consist of prefabricated metal suspension and sub construction with prefabricated panels. The false ceilings shall have a total weight of approximately 60 to 100 N/m². Provision and sufficient space allowance shall be made for all utility lines in the cavity (special ventilation, air conditioning, lighting a.s.o.), for fire prevention and cavity inspection.



All material shall be inflammable as per Eurocode EN 1993-1-2 (class A2) or approved equivalent.

4.10 Roof Design

Roofed buildings shall have water- and dustproof roofs with drainage outlets and discharge pipes or channels projecting outside the building line, arranged, that the water run-off is directed away from structural foundations, otherwise neither gutter nor downspouts required.

For cladding design requirements refer to paragraph 3.43.4 (Roofing and Cladding).

4.11 Daylight Design

Unless otherwise specified, all buildings, which are enclosed with cladding, shall be day lighted, by continuous rows of translucent sheets on the appropriate facades of the building, giving a clear opening of not less than 1 m. The number of rows in any particular building shall be such, that all floors are adequately day-lit. Refer to paragraph 3.4.3 (Translucent Sheets)

The appropriate daylight design shall be in accordance with the relevant industrial standards.

4.12 Ventilation



Adequate ventilation shall be provided where air changes alone, suffice to counteract the undesirable influences of inside temperature rise on working places and Equipment or other local emission.

4.12.1 Natural Ventilation



Natural ventilation shall be provided only where no dust emission appears. In such cases fixed louvers shall be provided.

To avoid undesirable heating up by solar radiation, natural ventilated cladding shall be provided.

4.12.2 Forced Ventilation



Forced ventilation (over pressure units) shall be provided for all enclosed rooms where ventilation is requested without forced cooling units.

The noise level of ventilation shall not be an annoyance to labor, i.e. not exceed 80 dB. The air filters shall be of the low velocity and easy to clean. The prefilters at the air inlet shall be of the self-cleaning inertia type, installed outside or in rooms with direct access for filter cleaning from the outside.

In all rooms with mechanical ventilation a minimum room temperature of 15°C shall be maintained, otherwise appropriate heating shall be provided at least for the permanently used rooms or where specifically required by the functionality.

Generally the design rate of hourly air changes and the capacities shall be in conformity with the respective local requirements.

4.13 Heating, Cooling, Air Conditioning

Refer also to StDC part Electrical Equipment and Systems.

4.13.1 General

Appropriate heating, cooling and air conditioning are required for specified buildings and rooms. The design shall allow for sufficient flexibility (i.e. a spare capacity of 20% shall be provided above nominal heat dissipation) to follow the prevailing variations of the ambient conditions as described in the Local Conditions documents.

Room temperature requirements for occupied non-electrical rooms:

- a) Heating up to 25°C
- b) Cooling down to 18°C

For room temperature requirements of electrical rooms refer to paragraph 4.26 (Electrical Rooms and Facilities)

The building construction shall consider the thermal insulation quality and cool storage capacity of the buildings and take advantage of the temperature drop during the nights (min. 15 to 20°C). Latest energy saving technology for Heating and Cooling shall be adopted pending Owners review and approval.

Furthermore, the design shall provide for appropriate and efficient sound insulation and fire prevention for the central plant units, the supplied rooms, the connecting supply system (pipes, ducts, a.s.o.) and the Equipment. The sound level shall not exceed 60 dB for all rooms.

Airflow requirements:

- c) Fresh air flow rate:
 - Offices, control rooms and other rooms where persons may stay 60 m³/h per person.
- d) CO₂ content not exceeding 0.15% of volume
- e) Air changes for particular rooms:
 - Wardrobe, dressing rooms 10 to 12 air changes per hour
 - Shower, toilets 20 air changes per hour

The air filters shall be of the low velocity type and easy to clean. The prefilters at the air inlet shall be of the self-cleaning inertia type, installed outside or in rooms with direct access for filter cleaning from the outside.

- f) Maximum air velocities
 - In heated, cooled and air conditioned rooms between 0.5 and 2.0 m above floor 0.25 m/s
 - Through coils of the air handling units 2.8 m/s
 - Through filters 2.5 m/s
 - Through grilles (louvers) 2.0-2.5 m/s
 - In main ducts 5.0-7.0 m/s

- In branch ducts 3.0-4.0 m/s

The necessary electrical power requirements for all heating, cooling and air conditioning requirements shall be listed in order to design the electrical supply system accordingly.

The heat generated by electrical Equipment installed in the rooms, shall be specified by the electrical Equipment manufacturer and shall be provided for in the design of the air conditioning systems.

4.13.2 Heating and Cooling Systems

Heating and cooling shall generally be provided by means of split system units. For specified ancillary buildings, a central heating and cooling system shall be provided.

4.13.3 Air Conditioning Systems

Where humidity control is required, units able to keep the relative humidity at 60% shall be provided and combined, where appropriate or necessary, with the respective cooling systems.

4.14 Overhead Cranes

Safe maintenance access to motors and drives shall be provided



For crane requirements refer to StDC part Mechanical Equipment.

Rails and stops shall be in accordance with the crane manufacturer's specifications.

Rails shall be laid true to line (maximum tolerances of +/-2.5 mm in gauge and level) and in accordance with the crane manufacturer's specifications whichever is more stringent. For crane loads refer to paragraph 2.3.6 Crane Loads.

4.15 Hoists, Monorails

Where hoists or monorails are to be installed, all necessary supporting beams, anchors, and fixing bolts shall be provided.

4.16 Machinery, Equipment, Utilities and Cable Tray Supports

All necessary structural steel supporting structures for machinery, steel silos, hoppers, chutes, utilities and cable trays shall be provided.

4.17 Edge Protection

Edges and arises shall be protected by appropriate edge protecting steel profiles in all places where they may be exposed to nearby traffic, either during the Works or during normal plant operation.

The following minimum requirements for edge protection shall be met:

- a) Minimum steel angle section 50 x 50 x 5 mm.

- b) Slotted sheet metal anchors, 3 mm thick, welded to the steel angle and embedded by cement mortar or cast-in in the backing structure to be protected.
- c) Edge protection height for columns and piers as required by the likely used vehicles, but at least 2 m above finished floor level.
- d) All edges of exposed concrete formed elements shall be edge protected by chamfer strips of 20 mm by 45° degree in size, sharp edges shall be avoided.

4.18 Plumbing, Sanitary Installations and Hot Water Supply

Plumbing and sanitary systems shall include supply pipes, sinks, sanitary ware, fittings, waste pipes, gully-traps, and drainage connections to the foul drainage systems.

The selection of the pipes shall consider the subsoil and water analyses, injurious substances, prevailing climatic conditions at the Site, and shall make appropriate provision for expansion.

Pipes shall be concealed wherever possible, but otherwise painted with three coats of approved paints.

For hot water supply, separate electric boilers are required.

4.18.1 Local Toilet in Production Plants

Sufficient number of toilets in the production plant buildings shall be provided.

If not otherwise specified, local toilet rooms in the production plants shall contain water closets that are accustomed to the local region (specific attention to be taken to other religions as far as applicable) water closets with accessories (such as paper roll holder, soap holder, mirror, hand dryer), partitions and doors, wall hung urinals and lavatory basins. Shower to be provided if specified. Toilet and tearoom access areas have to be designed separated from each other.

The water closets shall have a flushing hose, fed by the flushing water source.

The floor and the walls up to at least 2.00 m of height shall be tiled with shock and wear-resistant tiles.

Sanitary facilities have to be ventilated.

4.18.2 Local Toilet in Ancillary Buildings

If not otherwise specified, local toilet rooms in the ancillary buildings shall contain regional specific water closets with accessories (such as paper roll holder, soap holder, mirror, hand dryer), partitions and doors, wall hung urinals and lavatory basins. Showers to be provided if specified. Toilet and tearoom access areas have to be designed separated from each other.

The water closets shall have a flushing hose, fed by the flushing water source.

The sanitary Equipment shall be of first-class white sanitary stoneware. Water closets have to be of first-class vitreous material. The floors and the walls up to at least 2.0 m of height shall be tiled with ceramic tiles.

Sanitary facilities have to be ventilated.

4.19 **Tearooms**

Tearooms shall be provided in adequate number and size at the elsewhere specified cement plant.

Standard tearooms in production buildings shall satisfy the requirements of boiling water and heating up of food, rinsing and cooling.

Tearooms have to be ventilated.

4.20 **Finishing**

4.20.1 **Cement mortar floor**

Cement mortar shall be mixed with a ratio of 1:2 (1 part of cement, 2 parts of sand) and shall have a minimum thickness of 30 mm. The mortar shall contain 400 kg of Portland cement per m³ of finished volume. Provision (joints, reinforcement) shall be made to avoid damages by shrinkage. Wherever possible, the floor shall be made "wet-on-wet", i.e. applied to the still wet concrete surface.

Surfaces of floors to which cement mortar topping is to be applied later shall be smoothed or slightly grooved. In machine rooms the topping shall be applied after the installation of the machines.

The concrete of floors shall be wetted before applying the cement flooring. A 1:1 cement/water mixture or approved other bonding agent shall be applied to the floor surface before execution. The finished cement floor shall be duly cured and kept wet for at least one week.

Where the cement floor is the finished floor, it shall receive a final silicate-solution sealing treatment to make a dust-free floor.

Irregularities or deviations from level in the concrete sub-floors shall be compensated for in the thickness of the cement floor.

4.20.2 **Floor and Wall Tiles**

Samples of all floor and wall finishes, such as ceramic, terrazzo, PVC and cement tiles or basaltic plates, shall be submitted for approval before commencement of work.

Tiles shall not be fixed on loose material.

All types of finishes and tiles shall be uniform in size, surface, color and glazing. Damaged and broken plates or tiles shall not be used. The finish obtained shall be smooth, absolutely leveled and the joints between plates or tiles neat and filled to the respective finished floor or wall levels.

4.20.3 **Terrazzo Floors**

Terrazzo tiles and terrazzo floors shall be manufactured of a mixture of sand, marble chips and cement (650 kg cement per m³ of sand and marble chips). The maximum

size of marble aggregates shall be 15 mm. An appropriate coloring pigment of high resistance to weather and cleaning compound stress shall be added.

Wearing surfaces of min. 15 mm thickness shall be composed of approved 10 to 20 mm grade marble chip aggregate. The mix proportion (by volume) shall be three parts of aggregates to one part of cement. The surface of laid terrazzo floors shall be treated with a polishing grinding machine.

The finished terrazzo flooring shall perform at least the following criteria:

- a) To have an appearance which is uniform and stable in structure and color
- b) To allow for:
 - Frequent walkway use
 - Live load up to 10 kN/m² at any place for terrazzo flooring on ground slab
 - Live load as specified elsewhere or as required for the particular location, but at least 4 kN/m² at any place for terrazzo flooring within building, on R.C. substructure
- c) To have the required surface qualities such as:
 - Evenness
 - Roughness
 - Non-slip property
- d) To be wear-resistant, anti-corrosive, not affected by water and cleaning compound, weatherproof (if outdoors) and able to withstand the specific local service conditions

4.20.4 Wall Tiles

Wall tiles shall be 150 x 150 mm, approx. 10 mm thick with highest quality glazed finish.

Tiles shall be placed in a workmanlike manner, with continuous joint lines. All joints between wall tiles shall be at most 3 mm wide. Vertical joints shall be maintained plumb, level and even.

Where tiling abuts against wood or metal frames or other tiling at angles and round pipes and so on, it shall be carefully cut and fitted to form close neat joints.

4.20.5 Unglazed Ceramic Tiling

Split ceramic flags of appropriately fine granular crystalline sintered stone have to be weather-resistant and acid-proof.

The following widths of joints are required:

- a) Side length up to 150 mm: 2 mm
- b) Side length over 150 mm: 2 to max. 8 mm

4.20.6 Marble Tiles

In specified areas of the CCR Building (Central control room, entrance and corridor) and the Administration Building (Manager's offices, entrance and corridor), marble tiles shall be installed for the floors.

4.21 Silos

4.21.1 Silo Capacity

The definition of the life storage capacity of silos is the net volume, which can be discharged in regard to the method of filling, position of feeders and outlets and the natural angle of response of the material.

4.21.2 Silo Loading

If not otherwise specified, the design, construction and testing of silos shall generally comply with the respective Eurocodes EN 1991-4 (Silo loads) and EN 1992 (Concrete design). In particular, silo loading data have to satisfy the latest valid standard EN 1991-4 or DIN 1055-6 (design loads for buildings, loads in silo bins) and supplemental regulations for load assumption for silo cells.

4.21.3 Silo Design

All conditions have to be taken into account for filling, discharging and refilling of materials as well as the respective dynamic and impact effects. The theory of flow channels by eccentric discharge shall be considered. With this condition large horizontal bending moments occurs which cannot be reflected adequately by overpressure factors. A finite element analysis for the silo wall and bottom for the flow channels shall be done.

The loads from superimposed structures, mechanical Equipment, machinery, additional live loads and the soil characteristics and their influence (settlements) shall be introduced into the design.

The minimum wall thickness for a reinforced concrete silo is 20 cms with double layer reinforcement.

For Cement and Raw Meal the lowest $\mu'c$ value shall be used for pressure calculations and the highest value for vertical friction load calculation in the Silo wall. It shall be noted that in all evaluations, the wall friction coefficient $\mu'c$ shall not be taken as greater than Tangent of the angle of internal friction, $\mu'c < \tan \phi$

The horizontal reinforcement in the pressure zone will be designed to take the pressure of the material, temperature and bending effects, and it shall be limited (not more than) to 100 cm²/m, which is rebar diameter 25 mm every 100 mm in both faces. The lateral pressure produced by the stored material shall be calculated for every m. A graph showing the pressure curves and the contribution of the reinforcement to take those pressures shall be prepared.

Cracks control verifications for the silos have to be submitted together with the structural analyses. The following maximum surface crack widths W_m (for permanent loads and bulk loads) will be allowed:

- a) For blending and cement silos:
 - $W_m = 0.10$ mm in the lower 1/3 of bulk height or over the height of aeration
 - $W_m = 0.15$ mm above
- b) For other silos:
 - $W_m = 0.20$ mm

The connection between the silo walls or bases and concrete foundations shall be watertight and dust proof.

For Multicellular Silos the developed length of a silo wall between two compartment walls shall not exceed 15.00 m if possible.

For silos with Truck bulk loading, the minimum width entrance will be 4.00 m, height 4.20 m, and minimum 2.00 m of concrete wall between the openings. At the upper 1.50 m of the opening, the width shall be reduced from 4.00 to 3.00 m. At least 2.50 m will be the free perpendicular distance between the truck lane and the silo wall.

All Silos shall be designed watertight in reinforced concrete; the concrete quality shall be at least C 30/37. If post tensioning shall be used, the respective essential characteristics shall be submitted for approval; the silo construction methodology shall be reviewed and approved by the Owner.

4.21.4 Post Tensioned Silo

The minimum cylindrical wall thickness is 35 cm with double layer reinforcement.

The tendons shall be designed to take certain % of the lateral pressure; it means the silos will be partially post-tensioned. Tendons shall be designed to take only the hoop tension. The conventional reinforcement shall be designed to take the remaining % of the pressure, also the temperature and bending effects as well.

The admissible stress and losses in the tendons shall be calculated jointly with the post-tensioning system supplier. The tendons shall be designed using allowable stresses method, or similar according to the codes mentioned above.

If possible the silo shall be designed with four buttresses (large diameter silos might require six buttresses). The tendons shall be tensioned 180° on both sides simultaneously. In the tensioned sequence, complete circles shall be tensed simultaneously before going to the next level. The pilasters shall be cast monolithically with the Silo wall from the foundation up to the top.

The minimum spacing between the tendons will be 150 mm or 3 times the tendon diameter and shall be increasing gradually from the bottom up to the top following the design pressure curve. In the tendon zone, horizontal ties between the exterior and interior reinforcement shall be placed. The tendons will be used only to the height where normal reinforcement can take the pressures. The tendons shall be

discontinued when 25 mm bars at 200 mm can resist the stresses and the pressure. The tendons shall be located inside the outside face vertical wall reinforcement.

The vertical bending produced by the tendon spacing, by the wall thickness change and by the restriction of the bottom slab or the inverted cone ring shall be considered. The bending shall be taken by conventional vertical reinforcement

The material pressure curve shall be done showing the contribution of the tendons and the conventional reinforcement. When calculating the concrete stress, the areas by the ducts and reinforcement shall be reduced.

In the Inverted cone, the bottom ring of the cone shall be separated from the silo wall and no additional tendons shall be used to take radial loads from the ring.

Inasmuch as these civil specifications do not contain all necessary data for the silo design, the Contractor shall complete them himself according to the Project and processing requirements. All essential design data and especially the characteristics of the stored materials, including density, angle of response and temperature gradient along the silo walls shall be clearly indicated in the calculation sheets and drawings.

The silos shall be designed to ensure complete emptying. Adequate manholes shall be provided (walls, roofs).

Construction Methods and Principles

The cylindrical walls of reinforced concrete silos shall be constructed, if possible, with the slip forming technique. All construction provisions and details for these silos shall be consequently designed, considering the slip forming technique:

- a) Complete execution of the shell in a single and continuous operation over its whole height i.e. no cold joints. Contractor shall demonstrate all provisions no cold joints will occur (i.e. batch plant operation, stand-by power supply).
- b) Reinforcement steel and post tensioning material disposition for a continuous construction
- c) Inserted and embedded parts to be placed during construction
- d) Appropriate provisions in the shell for intermediate slabs.

Silo inverted cone shall be preferably made with pre-cast concrete elements. Connections and filling with in-situ reinforced concrete after pre-cast elements are placed and fixed.

4.21.5 Inside Wall Surface

If not otherwise specified, the lower third of the inside wall surfaces and the cones of reinforced concrete silos for raw meal and cement shall be troweled smooth preferably during the slip forming.

4.21.6 Silo Roof

The top slab roof shall be made using large steel beams or trusses, with steel sheet deck form and waterproof reinforced concrete. The drainage slopes shall be made during the casting of the concrete.

Clinker silo roofs may have a conical, water- and dust-tight cladded steel structure roof.

Special attention shall be given to the connection between silo walls and roof, potential differential expansion due to temperature or dynamic (extraction) loads have to be considered and require an adequately flexible connection.

4.21.7 Steel Silos

The steel silos shall be of weather-resistant steel, with quality according to Eurocodes or equivalent. Sufficient allowance for corrosion and wear shall be applied to the steel wall design in addition to the statically required steel wall thickness. The connection between the silo shells or bases and the reinforced concrete foundations shall be watertight and dust-proof. Steel silos with bolted plates are not accepted i.e. all plates shall be seal welded.

4.22 Bins and Hoppers

The design shall conform to the following:

- a) StDC part Mechanical Equipment.
- b) Weight of material inside of hopper shall be added to the forces acting on the hopper
- c) All structural steel members subjected to abrasive action of sliding material shall include 1.5 mm additional steel thickness provision for abrasive wear
- d) Steel plate for hoppers shall be a minimum of 6 mm thickness, which includes provision allowance for abrasive wear. For hoppers over 6 m diameter shall be a minimum of 8 mm thickness
- e) No bolts or welds shall project above stored material sliding plane on steel plate

4.23 Exhaust Chimneys or Stack

Exhaust chimneys shall be founded on a solid reinforced concrete foundation. For the design criteria of the chimneys please refer to StDC part Mechanical Equipment.

4.24 Elevator Towers and Shafts

4.24.1 General Design Aspects

High freestanding elevator towers and shafts shall be designed to withstand all applicable loads, including dynamic loads from the elevators as well as temperature, wind and earthquake loads. Allowance shall be made for appropriate fixations to neighboring buildings. In order to avoid differential settlement, elevator towers and elevator shafts shall be placed wherever possible on common foundations with the neighboring or surrounding buildings. The design of elevator towers and shafts shall consider and limit the horizontal displacements in accordance with the limits and requirements of the connected or installed Equipment.

4.24.2 Goods and Personnel Elevator Shafts

The shafts for goods and personnel elevators shall be built of reinforced concrete or structural steel with cladding according to the construction of the relevant building. Doors have to be provided at the required levels and without sill.

All pertinent fixations and rails shall be provided in accordance to the requirements of the elevator supplier.

The machine room shall preferably be located above the top of the shaft. It shall be easily accessible for maintenance and inspection from a deck, platform or gangway over a staircase. The machine room slab shall be designed with anchor rails and lifting provision. The pit at the bottom of the shaft shall be accessible too and have a pump sump.

The permitted tolerance of the finished work shall be not more than +/- 20 mm in any case. Building deviations from the exact vertical line shall not be over +/- 20 mm for the total distance inside the elevator shaft from bottom to top.


4.24.3 Bucket Elevator Towers


The design of the bucket elevator towers shall be closely coordinated with the Equipment supplier. The facade of the mid part might be open; under the condition that the elevator casing is designed to withstand the wind loads. The elevator tower structure shall be fixed to neighboring buildings. All fixation and supporting points of the elevator casing and structure shall be designed under consideration of the movements of the Equipment.


4.25 Conveyor and Utility Bridges


Conveyors placed above ground shall be carried on closed or open type bridges of reinforced concrete or structural steel with reinforced concrete foundations. The design shall include adequate safety factors for the Contractor's Equipment loads during construction and additional live load for future belts or pipelines.

Closed conveyor bridges shall be cladded with metal sheets. Sufficient translucent sheets shall be inserted to provide adequate daylight.


The conveyor bridge for a single conveyor shall be provided with the following clearance for undisturbed passage wide walkway and maintenance walkway. One accessible walkway of min. 800 mm on one side and one accessible maintenance walkway of min. 600 mm on the other side of the conveyor. 

The conveyor bridge for multiple conveyors shall be provided with the following clearance for undisturbed passage wide walkway and maintenance walkway. One accessible walkway between the conveyors of min. 1000 mm and two accessible maintenance walkways of min. 600mm on both outer sides of the conveyors. 

For road or walkway crossings, a full underneath closure shall be installed to prevent spillage of material. The appropriate collection/cleaning of these spillages shall be considered. 

The utility bridge with one side cable tray and pipe racks shall be provided with a 

minimum clearance for undisturbed passage wide walkway of min. 800 mm.

The utility bridge with two side cable tray and pipe racks shall be provided with a minimum clearance for undisturbed passage wide walkway of min. 1000 mm. 

Platforms which are not enclosed shall be fully guarded with handrailing. If not otherwise specified, the conveyor and utility bridge walkways shall be of grating. Columns or trestles supporting conveyor bridges shall be spaced so as to provide a minimum of 10 m clear access between columns. Where bridges cross access roads or hard standings, a minimum height of 7 m shall be provided from surfaced ground level to the underside of the conveyor bridge. Supporting columns or trestles next to traffic areas shall be protected by guardrails or spur posts (bollards) and shall be designed for the maximum impact loads of the trucks used in the cement plant.

Bridges carrying conveying pipes shall be designed and dimensioned to carry the number of pipes required for the specified purpose including 20% available spare capacity for future installation.

Bridges carrying cables and utility pipelines shall be designed and dimensioned for the specified purpose including 20% available spare capacity for future installation.

4.26 Electrical Rooms and Facilities


Refer also to StDC part Electrical Equipment and Systems.

4.26.1 General Safety Aspects

DIN/VDE and the relevant local regulations shall apply for all aspects of emergency and safety in electrical rooms and facilities, including fire protection and evacuation of electrical areas, i.e. fire proof doors, emergency exits, door opening towards the outside, single action unlock of inside door locks and emergency lights.

Sufficient fire protection measures according to international standards shall be taken.

4.26.2 Electrical Rooms

The electrical rooms shall be sufficiently sized and shall provide spare space for future modifications and additions. The distance between the switchgear panel rows shall not be less than 1.8 m between operation fronts, 1.5 m between an operation front and a rear sidewall and 1.0 m off the panel rear side to the wall (if access is required) 

All electrical rooms shall be located above surrounding ground level. They shall be designed and constructed watertight and dustproof. Electrical rooms shall have no windows.

All electrical rooms are unmanned and shall be cooled by closed circuit cooling units. Non-condensing room temperature condition shall be maintained. Equipment with excessive heat dissipation shall preferably lead the heat directly to the outside of the room. Electrical rooms shall be equipped with an appropriate heating and cooling system to avoid condensation in the rooms. The design of the air conditioning system shall comply with the specifications as per paragraph 4.13 (Heating, Cooling, Air Conditioning).

For the finishing and conditions of electrical rooms the respective individual specification shall be applied.

All electrical rooms shall be constructed as to prevent the entry of vermin or rodents.

The outer entrance of electrical rooms shall be splash-proof.

4.26.2.1 Cable Installation in Electrical Rooms

For ease of cable installation, all electrical rooms shall be provided with a cable basement, allowing the installation of cable trays. The cable basement shall preferably be located above surrounding ground level. The minimum clear height of this cable basement shall be 2.2 m. Access to the basement shall preferably be provided from the outside, alternatively from the electrical room whereby fire barrier functions of access doors as well as the applied cooling systems require special attention. In general the cable basement shall extend over the same area as the electrical room and shall be water and dust-tight.

Alternatively, a design with false floor might be foreseen, provided the approval by the Owner.

4.26.3 Control Rooms, Computer & X-ray Rooms as part of the technical building

The construction and finishing of control rooms, computer rooms and X-ray rooms shall be similar to that of electrical rooms.

Control rooms, computer rooms and X-ray rooms shall be furnished with:

- Air conditioning system with non-visible ducting.
- Windows with sun protecting glass as well as manually adjustable louvers for sun protection.
- Floors shall be furnished with stoneware tiles or equivalent subject to Owner approval.

False floors shall be avoided for new constructions. Cable installation shall preferably be from cable trays installed above false ceilings of the lower rooms.

4.26.4 Battery Rooms

Separate battery rooms as specified below shall be foreseen if required by local legislation.

In such case, the rooms shall be furnished with a separate ventilation system (no recirculation of exhaust air into common cooling ducts).

The finishing standard of the inside walls, floor and ceiling can be of concrete or masonry without special plastering or paint. Nearby the batteries the presence of possibly aggressive liquids and atmosphere shall be provided for, i.e. acid resistant paint and acid resistant tiles shall be applied if required.

4.26.5 Main and Distribution Transformers

4.26.5.1 Sheltered Installation (Indoor)

Main and distribution transformers shall be installed in individual transformer cells with roofing and fire walls. The transformers shall be cooled by natural air draught. For sheltered transformer cells, the siding shall be of a galvanized steel structure with a wire netting of max. 10 mm mesh size up to the height of approx. 2.00 m above ground. The upper part shall be closed with masonry or metal cladding for rain protection from the side. The doors of each cell shall be sized for maintenance purposes. Adequate openings for erection and taking out of the transformer for repair or inspection shall be foreseen with doors or removable side sections. The transformers shall, as far as feasible, be located approx. 0.5 m above surrounding ground level. The roof construction shall consider the required hot air release at the highest point. A pit or oil basin shall be provided below the transformer in case of liquid immersed (oil-cooled) transformer.

4.26.5.2 Outdoor Installation (preferred solution)

Outdoor installed main transformers shall be protected with a solid wire mesh fence with door, allowing for erection and later taking out of the transformers for repair or inspection. The transformers shall be cooled by natural air draught. Fire protection walls to adjacent transformers and rooms are required. The transformers shall, as far as feasible, be located approx. 0.5 m above surrounding ground level in order to allow for good cooling. A pit or oil basin shall be provided below the transformer in case of liquid immersed (oil-cooled) transformer.

4.26.5.3 Transformer Pits / Oil Basins

The transformer pits or oil basins below the transformers shall be watertight and if required by the country, coated with oil resistant epoxy paint. Transformer pit sumps shall have a lockable gravity drain for ease of storm water release.

4.26.6 Cabling

4.26.6.1 Duct Bank or Conduit Bank

Conduit banks with pipes, certified for electrical installations shall be used as per typical drawing in StDC part Electrical Equipment and Systems. For power, control and communication cables the pipes shall have the specified diameter as per cable specification for installation and at least 20% capacity for future installation or at a minimum one spare pipe for each kind of cable shall be installed along each run. The pipes shall be properly positioned and embedded in sand along the entire length and embedded in reinforced concrete in road underpasses prior to the cable installation. The top of the concrete shall be marked and the backfill with a tracer wire for ease of future detection. The pipe joints shall be waterproof. Pipes shall slope to the manholes.

Manholes (cable pull pits) are required for distances of more than 60 meters or where the cable run changes direction. They shall be of a uniform design with 2.0 m clear height and a length and width of 1.5 m. Openings to enter the manhole



shall be approximately 0.5 m above ground level and shall be equipped with an access ladder and a cover of rigid design with water tight sealing. A pump sump shall be provided below the opening. The location of these manholes shall be out of the pavement areas.

Conduit banks shall not cross open areas where future placement of buildings is planned.

4.26.6.2 Cable Galleries

If applicable, cables might be installed on steel structure galleries as an alternative to cable duct banks. A cover shed shall be installed to protect the cables from sun and dust. Suitable and safe access for installation and maintenance of the cables shall be provided along the galleries.

Cable galleries with installations on both sides shall have a minimum clear cross section of 2.2 m width x 2.2 m height. Cable galleries with installations on one side only shall have a minimum clear cross section of 1.6 m width x 2.2 m height. A minimum walk through width of 0.8 m shall be maintained.



Existing conveyor and utility bridges shall be used for cable installation where applicable.

4.26.6.3 Cable Tunnels

If walk-through cable tunnels are requested by the Owner, the below criteria shall be followed:

Cable tunnels shall follow roads and not cross open areas where future placement of buildings is possible.

Cable tunnels with installations on both side walls shall have a clear minimum cross section of 2.2 m width x 2.2 m height. Cable tunnels with installations on one side wall only shall have a clear cross section of 1.6 m width x 2.2 m height. A minimum clear walk through width of 0.8 m shall be maintained.



Cable tunnels shall be designed and constructed watertight.

All cable tunnels shall be executed with a slope and a gutter along one tunnel wall where the cable trays will be installed. The gutter shall lead into sump holes. Above each sump an emergency exit, preferably combined with an overpressure relief and access opening to install a mobile sump pump, shall be provided.

Cable tunnel intersections and tee-offs shall be executed with a walk-through underpass to avoid a total blockage of access once the cable trays, cables and pipes are installed. Cable radius requirements for plastic pipes shall be accounted for in the design of the tee-offs.

Forced ventilation shall be provided where required duly considering fire barrier sections and requirements.

Cable tunnels may also be used for non-fire and non-heat hazardous piping installation shall be installed between main power distribution buildings and the different electrical rooms and major buildings.

4.26.6.4 Outdoor Lighting

Cables for outdoor lighting may be buried in sand and marked with suitable markings. The mast foundation shall be constructed with reinforced concrete, for protection of the mast from traffic.

4.27 Lighting

Lighting design, supply and installation for buildings, structures, facilities, roads and places shall follow the guidelines as specified in StDC part Electrical Equipment and Systems.

4.28 Grounding and Lightning Protection

The grounding system shall be uniform and coordinated for all buildings and structures. It shall fully consider the electrical requirements and the local codes.

For the plant grounding, the system "foundation grounding" with emphasis on potential equalization shall be foreseen.

A copper or galvanized steel tape shall be laid as a ring type grounding conductor on the ground of every building. The conductors shall be fixed with clamps onto reinforcement bars and be extended with the required leads to the tapping points above ground. Refer to typical drawing in StDC part Electrical Equipment and Systems. Welding onto reinforcement bars shall be strictly prohibited.

An appropriate lightning protection system shall be installed.

Close coordination of the design and erection between the foundation grounding, the electrical grounding and the lightning protection shall be provided.

4.29 Cathode Protection

Cathode protection of underground steel structures and installations shall be installed if soil properties and/or relevant conditions (e.g. marine environment) or standards ask for.

4.30 Tanks

All tanks storing liquids, which are:

- a) Flammable,
- b) A danger to the environment
- c) A danger to personnel,
- d) Leakage could create risks

Shall be installed in a containment basin.

4.30.1 Containment

Such containment basins shall be governed by the applicable regulation.

No open drains or permanently installed automatic pumps shall be incorporated into these containment basins.

The containment basins shall have a manual valve to ensure that they do not fill with rainwater or snow.

If secondary containment may have to be connected to the storm water network: in such case, an isolating valve shall be provided to enable the retention of any spillage within the secondary containment or to drain clean rain water as required.

De-oiling pit shall be provided for secondary containments of any oily product tank.

The secondary containment shall be watertight (if in concrete, special design shall be considered to ensure this water tightness requirement) and fulfill the requirement of the local regulation.

For oily product unloading facilities, specific arrangement is required to collect all rain water from the unloading platform to a specific de-oiling facility. No oily spillage to the storm water is allowed.

4.30.2 Capacity

The secondary containment system shall provide storage of at least 110% of the tank or lubricant / hydraulic systems maximum capacity. If more than one container is stored, the system shall be capable of storing 110% of the biggest container's capacity or 25% of their total capacity, whichever is the largest.

A room or vault can provide appropriate secondary containment. The walls and floor shall be sufficiently waterproof to contain spilled oil. If such containment has any drains or other openings, that drain or opening shall be provided with a valve to prevent release of product outside the containment area.

This document does not describe requirements for tanks that are ancillary to equipment such as transformers and hydraulic oil tanks.

National regulation shall be followed for the storage tanks and its handling system, based on the size and use of the tank.

4.30.3 Additional safety requirement

In addition the below minimum safety requirements need to be considered for their installation:

- a) Minimum Distance from Property Lines / Buildings
- b) Fuel tanks shall be at least 6m from a building or property line
- c) The vent pipe shall be located at a minimum distance of 5m from any electrical equipment, sparking potential emission or hot temperature source

4.31 Waterproofing

Waterproofing design shall comply with best practices design such as:

- a) Accessible areas (e.g. roofs) shall be protected against potential damaging

- b) Light metallic roofs with less than 10% slope, shall prove the non-accumulation of water by additional deflection.
- c) Only certified waterproofing material and products (by EN or US institutions) shall be accepted and are subject to Owners approval
- d) For tanks where no waterproofing material is placed:
 - Structural design of walls shall fulfill both concepts: hinged and fixed base
 - Design shall follow the latest EN 1992 Part 3 “Liquid retaining and containment structures”. The classification of tightness shall be tightness class 2 or more stringent.
 - Stresses and strains in concrete elements imposed by deformations shall be determined as per Annex L of EN 1992-3.
 - Crack width calculation shall follow Annex M of EN 1992-3.

5. **INFRASTRUCTURE**

5.1 **Fire Prevention and Fire Fighting**

5.1.1 **General**



A comprehensive fire prevention and firefighting system according to applicable standards (could be local or international standards imposed by the authorities or insurer) including all protective building arrangements and required firefighting facilities shall be provided. They shall cover all plant sections with potential fire hazard such as but not limited to:

- a) Electrical rooms, transformer cells and cable basements
- b) Installation tunnels and installation shafts
- c) Control and computer rooms
- d) Air conditioning rooms
- e) Elevator control rooms
- f) Workshop, parts and bag storage, burner platform and all other areas of the plant with potential fire hazard
- g) Lube Oil storages
- h) Fuel storage and tanks
- i) Fuel transport and pump areas
- j) Fuel filling stations
- k) False floors and false ceilings in above areas

The envisaged fire prevention system shall cover the civil and structural aspects and consists mainly of fire barriers.

For information on "Fire Detection Equipment" refer to StDC part Electrical Equipment and Systems.

5.1.2 Fire Barriers



All fire barriers and fire barrier doors shall be of the fire resistance class F90 or T30 respectively according to Eurocode EN ISO 1182, or equivalent.

All fire hazardous areas, electrical rooms, cable and installation openings towards outside or adjacent rooms shall be closed by fire barriers.

Exits of cable basements shall be closed by fire barriers with fire barrier doors.

Cable tunnels shall include fire barriers at reasonable intervals. The aeration of the tunnels shall not be reduced due to the installed fire barriers.

Cable trays / ladders have to be interrupted at fire barriers.

Building sections shall be provided with overpressure releases and emergency exits.

The sealing material used shall be suitable for easy installation of additional cables and provide a simple method of repairs after such Works.

Fire barriers shall be closed as soon as all cables have been pulled and fixed, but latest prior to commissioning.

5.1.3 Fire Fighting

5.1.3.1 Permanent Installations



The firefighting water system shall be distributed in order to cover all production buildings, ancillary buildings, service buildings and facilities. The firefighting water-pressurizing system shall be furnished with adequately sized reservoir, diesel engine driven emergency pumps, as required by the code or insurance. The installation shall consist of as a minimum:

- a) Piping network with pipelines, valves, pumps
- b) Adequate number of fire hydrants with hoses and hose cabinets

5.1.3.2 Mobile Installations



All electrical rooms as well as any other potential fire hazard areas shall be equipped with adequate firefighting Equipment. It shall allow for easy accessibility and handling, shall be well marked and indicated and shall consist of:

- a) Adequate number of mobile fire extinguishers of appropriate size and medium

5.2 Water Supply and Treatment

The design shall allow for reduced and economic water consumption. Where feasible and indicated, adequate wastewater recycling shall be foreseen.

5.2.1 Potable Water Supply and Treatment

All main process departments and ancillary buildings shall be provided with potable water as required.

A pipeline system and pumps shall transport the potable water from the well/source to the plant. The design shall allow for sufficient quantity and pressure from the well/source to the supply-points.

The water treatment plant for potable water shall meet the local standards and code for drinking water. Sufficient water storage basins shall be provided.

5.2.2 Process Water Supply and Treatment

The design quantities, qualities and pressures have to meet the requirements of the manufacturer of the mechanical Equipment.

The water supply system shall include:

- a) Water intake building and facilities for installation of intake pumps, filters and other intake Equipment, if required.
- b) Pump station, filters, pumps, valves and pipelines for intake and transportation of the required quantity of water from the well/source to the supply-points, including all required electrical installations including heat trace and insulation where required. Branches to be fit with valves for isolation.
- c) Water treatment plant and facilities for mechanical and chemical treatment, clarification, flocculation and sedimentation as required.
- d) Water basins for storage of raw water, treated water, cold water and warm water. All basins with roof to protect from algae formation and dust.
- e) The slurry of the water treatment shall be flushed with water to the storm water drainage, if applicable in accordance with the local standards and regulations.

Emergency situations on the cooling water system shall not create overflows or dangerous situations to Equipment and process.

5.2.3 Fire Fighting Water Supply and Treatment

The firefighting water supply and treatment system shall be designed in combination with the supply and treatment system for process water. The distribution system shall be independent from the process and potable water systems and shall include all process departments and ancillary and service areas. The piping system shall allow opening and closing of independent circles and lines via valves. In case of fire, firefighting water used for AFR fires shall be retained in a fire fighting water containment basin or similar.

5.2.4 Non-Potable Water

The non-potable water system shall include the wash down services, utility services and garden services.

Provided there is sufficient supply from the well/source, the non-potable service water shall be taken from the potable water system.

5.2.5 Water Distribution

The water distribution system shall be divided into independent streams for process water, potable water and firefighting.

Sufficient number of valves shall be installed for network maintenance purposes, in order to open and close independent circles and lines.

5.2.6 Materials and Workmanship

Water supply piping shall be designed according to the latest valid Eurocodes standards or equivalent and shall consist of outside and inside corrosion protected pipes.

The whole water supply shall be designed and installed in such a manner, that it will be protected and proof against mechanical, electrical, and chemical attack and shall be tested for 1 1/2 times operating pressure before all lines are backfilled.

5.3 Sewerage System and Sewage Treatment

The sewerage system shall include the collection and treatment of sewage water, as well as lead away of treated water. The sewage treatment shall include water from all sanitary facilities, toilets, and kitchens, wash down water and waste water from laboratories. The treatment of sewage water and final disposal of the treated water shall be in accordance with the local statutory regulations. The BOD (Biological Oxygen Demand) of the treated water shall be not greater than 20 PPM. Oil separating systems shall be installed where required.

If not otherwise specified, the treated water shall be guided into the lead away drainage system.

Manholes (cable pull pits) are required for distances of more than 100 meters or where the pipe changes direction. They shall be of a uniform design with variable height and a length and width of 1.5 m. Openings to enter the manhole shall be approximately 0.20 m above ground level and shall be equipped with an access ladder and a cover of rigid design with water tight sealing. A pump sump shall be provided below the opening. The location of these manholes shall be out of the pavement areas.

5.4 Storm water Drainage System

The storm water drainage system shall include the collection, drainage and lead away of surface water, including collection and drainage of surface water coming from adjoining properties in accordance with the local authorities and codes.

Generally, the storm water drainage system shall be conducted by the roads surface and connect to open channels. Consideration shall be given to protect personnel and mobile equipment. In the areas of production, ancillary and service buildings, the channels shall be constructed with reinforced concrete bottom and walls and covered with pre-cast concrete elements for over-passing, where required.

For the drainage system, a rain scenario with 10 years return period shall be considered. Applicable rain duration shall be determined based on local climatic conditions and run-off regime.

The surface run-off coefficient C for drainage calculations depends on the ground or roof type and its purpose. Typical surface coefficient C values in industrial areas are:

Ground or Roof Type	Surface coefficient C
Inclined roofs	1.00
Asphalt or concrete road	0.80 to 0.90
Non-paved roads	0.50 to 0.70
Impermeable ground with lawns	0.20 to 0.35
Permeable ground with vegetation	0.10 to 0.20

Table 6: Surface coefficient C

5.5 Roads and Places

5.5.1 General

Roads and surfacing shall be designed in accordance with the relevant technical specifications and codes of practice of either European or American standards.

Roads shall be designed for the maximum imposed loads and of such width to suit all vehicles used at the Plant Site, but at least in accordance with Eurocode EN 1991-2.

The Contractor shall inform himself about the actual and future vehicle loads, the traffic frequencies and the sub-ground conditions of all plant roads in order to design them accordingly.

All drains, pipes sewers, channels and conduit banks as well as crossing of existing installations shall be completed before the construction of the roads.

Avoid placing of manholes and underground utilities including electrical duct banks under concreted surfaces.

5.5.1.1 Road slope



The maximum sustained grade for roads and ramps is 10%; up to 15% is acceptable for short distances (i.e.: truck off-loading areas, entrance of storages).

5.5.1.2 Road Width



The width of the roads within the plant shall be appropriate for the type of vehicles and amount of traffic using that particular road. In any case the design of the roads shall be suitable for access by emergency vehicles such as fire trucks or ambulances.

Roads where there is a risk of falling over an embankment shall be equipped with suitable guard rails or berms.

To define properly the size and the type of the road, a risk assessment needs to be conducted to determine adequate road width.

5.5.2 Materials and Workmanship

Hard-core shall consist of crushed natural stone of the minimum size of 75 to 100 mm. It shall be free from dust, waste, metal, vegetation or any other disturbing material.

Broken stone and chippings shall consist of hard crushed natural stone or gravel of approved sizes.

The wearing courses for roads and places shall be suitable for the temperature and rainfalls experienced in the area.

5.5.3 Preparation of Formation

The formation shall be rolled to an even and uniform surface, which shall be parallel to the finished surface of the road or path. Rolling shall be carried out with heavy rollers, carefully adapted to the nature and condition of the soil. After compaction or stabilization (if required) the formation shall yield a California Bearing Ration of 15%.

The formation surface design shall allow for effective and permanent drainage during the Works.

5.5.4 Sub-Base

After the formation has been properly made and rolled, a sub-base consisting of well-graded natural sands, gravels or rock or mixtures thereof shall be laid and compacted to a finished thickness of at least:

- a) 300 mm for concrete, asphalt or gravel roads with proctor 95% or more
- b) Or in accordance with the local conditions, subject to Owner's request

5.5.5 Concrete Surfacing

A sand layer, 80 mm thick (max. grain size 16 mm), covered with a PE foil of min. 0.1 mm thick, shall be placed between sub-base and concrete slab. The slab shall be made of concrete C25/30. One layer of reinforcement steel or welded mesh or plastic fibers shall be used in order to avoid shrinkage.

The required slab thickness for roads and places shall be at least 180 mm.

The design shall provide also for all joints. The following maximum distances shall be ensured:

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| a) | For contraction joints (saw cuts) | 5 m |
| b) | For expansion joints | 30 m |
| c) | For longitudinal joints | 5 m |

After finishing operations and surface broom sweeping have been completed the exposed surfaces shall be cured by covering the concrete for 24 hours with wet burlap or other approved material, applied as soon as the concrete has hardened and followed by a 7-day curing period of ponding, spraying with an approved curing compound or covering with wet earth, straw, burlap or cotton mats which shall be kept saturated with water for 7 days. Instead of this wet curing procedure, an approved

impervious membrane may be applied immediately after finishing the concrete surface.

5.5.6 Bituminous Surfacing

The bituminous pavement shall be placed in two layers:

- a) Base course, approximately 80 mm thick
- b) Wearing course shall not exceed a final compacted thickness of max. 40 mm

A prime coat of 1.5 to 2 kg/m² of liquid bitumen shall be sprayed on the first layer.

5.5.7 Gravel Roads

Roads and places which are neither concrete nor asphalt shall be prepared with compacted gravel / crushed limestone and sprayed with bitumen or similar.

5.5.8 Tolerances

Tolerances on the finished layers under a 4 m lath, regardless of the form of construction shall not exceed the following values:

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| a) Formation (sub-grade) | +/- 40 mm |
| b) Sub-base | +/- 25 mm |
| c) Surfacing | +/- 10 mm |


The road surface shall be 200 to 500 mm above ground level.

5.5.9 Road Marking and Signposts



Road marking and building, direction and traffic control signposts in local language (and English language, if required) shall be provided as per local regulations and standards.

5.5.10 Quarry Roads



Haul road rolling surface width shall be 3.5 times the width of the widest vehicle for two-way traffic and 2.5 times for one-way traffic; the space needed for road ditches and berms shall be added. At bends and corners the road rolling surface shall be increased to 4 times the width of the widest vehicle.

Edge protection and safety berms shall be at the minimum height of 1.5 meters, or at the radius height of the biggest tire of equipment operating in that area, whichever is the greatest. The safety berms shall be continuous and built with compacted fine materials and not with large blocks. In any case, it shall be enough to avoid that the mobile equipment cross the berm.

Reversing areas shall be designed with adequate space and edge protection.

Blind curves shall be avoided.

Sufficient drainage in haulage road is required.

For haul tracks and roads, the maximum sustained grade is 10%; 15% is acceptable for short distances. Measure all grades at the inner side of a curve. Roads with grade higher than 15% are forbidden.

A risk assessment shall be conducted to determine the need for emergency stoppage lanes (or escape way) in case of brake failures on heavy equipment in a ramp. A risk assessment shall be done for road with grade between 10 and 15%. The emergency road design shall be realized with the assistance of the technical authorities. As for the other roads in the quarry, the berms shall be built with compacted fine material and non with blocks.

5.6 Fencing and Gates

Boundary fencing if required with doors and gates shall be installed for the plant area. If not otherwise specified, the boundary fencing shall consist of a 2.40 m high perimeter fence with galvanized steel posts on a reinforced concrete pedestal, with galvanized chain wire fencing and 3 lines of barbed wire at the top. Sufficient number of vehicle gates and personnel doors shall be installed.

The main gate shall be motorized and of solid galvanized steel. Individual, motorized boom barriers shall be installed for incoming and for outgoing traffic at the main gate.

5.7 Masterkey System

An overall plant master key system covering all plant doors, sub dividing them into functional or organizational sectors as required, shall be installed.

A master key sub-system, as integral part of the overall plant key system shall cover all electrical room doors and the respective building access doors as follows:

- a) Only one specific common key for all low voltage and control room doors
- b) Only one specific common key for all medium and high voltage and transformer room doors
- c) One semi-master key for these two categories of rooms

5.8 Jetty Structure

The jetty and access bridge shall be designed for the local weather conditions, sub-soil conditions, present- and future river/sea water behavior as well as for on- and off-going barges and for various other loads and stresses of installed and mobile Equipment for the requirement of the project. Proper protection along the jetty and access bridge for landing barges shall be provided.

The design of the jetty shall be verified by mathematical model testing in a laboratory, if required, and the test results shall be provided for the design.

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