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## 8 UNIT MASONRY FLOORING

### 8.1 GENERAL

#### 8.1.1 Scope

- 1 This Part specifies requirements for interior and unit masonry flooring, set in mortar on a rigid base.
- 2 Related Parts and Sections are as follows:

This Section

Part 1..... General

Part 5..... Tiles

Part 6..... Terrazzo

Part 7..... Stone Flooring

Part 9..... Floor Screeds and Treatments

Part 10..... Joint, Caulking and Sealants

Section 1 General

Section 5 Concrete

Section 13 Masonry

#### 8.1.2 References

- 1 The following standards are adopted and/or referred to in this Section:
    - ASTM C144 .....Standard Specification for Aggregate for Masonry Mortar
    - ASTM C270 .....Standard Specification for Mortar for Unit Masonry
    - ASTM C387/C387M ...Standard Specification for Packaged, Dry, Combined Materials for Concrete and High Strength Mortar.
    - ASTM C404 .....Standard Specification for Aggregates for Masonry Grout
    - ASTM C410.....Standard Specification for Industrial Floor Brick
    - ASTM C476 .....Standard Specification for Grout for Masonry
    - ASTM C887 .....Standard Specification for Packaged, Dry, Combined Materials for Surface Bonding Mortar
    - ASTM C1142.....Standard Specification for Extended Life Mortar for Unit Masonry
    - ASTM C1180.....Standard Terminology of Mortar and Grout for Unit Masonry
    - ASTM C1384.....Standard Specification for Admixtures for Masonry Mortars
    - ASTM C1438.....Standard Specification for Latex and Powder Polymer Modifiers for use in Hydraulic Cement Concrete and Mortar.
    - ASTM C1731.....Standard Specification for Concrete Floor Tile
    - ASTM C1732.....Standard Practice for Installation of Concrete Floor Tiles
- BS 1199 and BS 1200 Specifications for building sands from natural sources; (EN 13139 Aggregates for mortar)

- BS 6073 .....Precast concrete masonry units; (BS 6073-2 Precast concrete masonry units - Guide for specifying precast concrete masonry units; EN 771-3 Specification for masonry units - Aggregate concrete masonry units (Dense and lightweight aggregates); EN 772-2 Methods of test for masonry units - Determination of percentage area of voids in masonry units (by paper indentation); EN 1338 Concrete paving blocks - Requirements and test methods; EN 1339 Concrete paving flags - Requirements and test methods; EN 1340 Concrete kerb units - Requirements and test methods; ASTM C902 Standard Specification for Pedestrian and Light Traffic Paving Brick; ASTM C936/C936M Standard Specification for Solid Concrete Interlocking Paving Units; ASTM C1272 Standard Specification for Heavy Vehicular Paving Brick)
- EN 197-1 .....Cement - Part 1: Composition, specifications and conformity criteria for common cements
- EN 413-1 .....Masonry cement - Part 1: Composition, specifications and conformity criteria
- EN 998-2 .....Specification for mortar for masonry - Part 2: Masonry mortar
- EN 13139 .....Aggregates for mortar

### 8.1.3 Allowable Tolerances

- 1 Floor surfaces are to be level and true to plane. The tolerance for deviation shall not be more than a 3 mm over a distance 3 m.
- 2 Joint width deviation shall not be greater than 10 % of dimension indicated in the project Documentation.

### 8.1.4 Submittals

- 1 In accordance with the relevant provisions of Section 1, General, the Contractor is to furnish the following:
  - (a) samples: five individual samples of unit masonry flooring showing extent of variations in colour and texture
  - (b) shop drawings: showing special brick shapes and construction patterns.

### 8.1.5 Product Delivery, Storage and handling

- 1 Materials shall be delivered and stored on Site in their original sealed containers marked with name of manufacturer and identification of contents.
- 2 The Contractor is to store materials under waterproof covers on planking clear of ground.

## 8.2 MATERIALS

### 8.2.1 Unit Masonry

- 1 Unit masonry or paving bricks shall comply with BS 6073 or adopted standard.

### 8.2.2 Other Materials

- 1 Sand shall comply with the relevant provisions of BS 1199 and BS 1200, EN 13139, ASTM C144 or ASTM C404.

- 2 Cement shall comply with the relevant provisions of EN 197-1 or adopted standard.
- 3 Colouring pigments shall be pure mineral pigments. They shall be lime proof and non-fading and shall be added to grout or mortar by the manufacturer. In-situ coloured grout or mortar is not acceptable unless otherwise agreed by the Engineer.

#### **8.2.3 Mortar**

- 1 Mortar shall comply with the relevant provisions of EN 998-2 or ASTM C270.

#### **8.2.4 Grout**

- 1 Grout shall consist of one part cement to three parts sand by volume, mixed with enough water for flowability.

### **8.3 EXECUTION OF WORK**

#### **8.3.1 Inspection**

- 1 The Contractor is to inspect the substrate and make sure that it is without voids or projections that would interfere with installation of brick or other unit masonry paving.

#### **8.3.2 Application**

- 1 The use of unit masonry with chips, cracks, discoloration or other visible defects is not permitted.
- 2 Installation with cement grout.
  - (a) spread the mortar setting bed mixture 12 mm to 25 mm in thickness to a true plane
  - (b) limit the setting bed to minimum amount which can be covered with brick before the initial setting
  - (c) apply 0.75 mm layer of neat cement paste over the setting bed, set and level each unit immediately and tamp bricks to completely contact the setting bed
  - (d) grout the joints as soon as the initial set is achieved; place the grout in joints, strike flush and tool to form slightly concave finish
  - (e) cure the grout by maintaining in a damp condition for seven days.
- 3 Installation with cement mortar:
  - (a) install bricks in a full mortar bed, remove excess mortar and strike the joints flush with top surface or stone and tool to form a slightly concave finish
  - (b) cure the mortar by maintaining in a damp condition for seven days.

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