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The AASHTO LRFD Bridge Design Specifications, Ninth Edition contains the following 15 sections and an index:

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Figures, tables, and equations are denoted by their home article number and an extension, for example 1.2.3.4.5-1 wherever they are cited. In early editions, when they were referenced in their home article or its commentary, these objects were identified only by the extension. For example, in Article 1.2.3.4.5, Eq. 1.2.3.4.5-2 would simply have been called "Eq. 2." The same convention applies to figures and tables. Starting with this edition, these objects are identified by their whole nomenclature throughout the text, even within their home articles. This change was to increase the speed and accuracy of electronic production (i.e., CDs and downloadable files) with regard to linking citations to objects.

Please note that the AASHTO materials standards (starting with M or T) cited throughout the LRFD Bridge Design Specifications can be found in *Standard Specifications for Transportation Materials and Methods of Sampling and Testing*, adopted by the AASHTO Highway Subcommittee on Materials. The individual standards are also available as downloads on the AASHTO Store, https://store.transportation.org. Unless otherwise indicated, these citations refer to the current edition. ASTM materials specifications are also cited and have been updated to reflect ASTM's revised coding system, i.e., spaces removed between the letter and number.