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## COMMENTARY

**16.3.3.6** At the base of a precast column, pedestal, or wall, anchor bolts and anchors for mechanical connections shall be designed in accordance with **Chapter 17**. Forces developed during erection shall be considered.

**16.3.3.7** At the base of a precast column, pedestal, or wall, mechanical connectors shall be designed to reach their design strength before anchorage failure or failure of surrounding concrete.

**16.3.4** *Minimum reinforcement for connections between cast-in-place members and foundation*

**16.3.4.1** For connections between a cast-in-place column or pedestal and foundation,  $A_s$  crossing the interface shall be at least  $0.005A_g$ , where  $A_g$  is the gross area of the supported member.

**16.3.4.2** For connections between a cast-in-place wall and foundation, area of vertical reinforcement crossing the interface shall satisfy **11.6.1**.

**16.3.5** *Details for connections between cast-in-place members and foundation*

**16.3.5.1** At the base of a cast-in-place column, pedestal, or wall, reinforcement required to satisfy 16.3.3 and 16.3.4 shall be provided either by extending longitudinal bars into supporting foundation or by dowels.

**16.3.5.2** Where continuity is required, splices and mechanical connectors for the longitudinal reinforcement or dowels shall satisfy **10.7.5** and, if applicable, **18.13.2.2**.

**16.3.5.3** If a pinned or rocker connection is used at the base of a cast-in-place column or pedestal, the connection to foundation shall satisfy 16.3.3.

**16.3.5.4** At footings, compression lap splices of No. 43 and No. 57 bars that are in compression for all factored load combinations shall be permitted in accordance with **25.5.5.3**.

**16.3.6** *Details for connections between precast members and foundation*

the joint satisfies 16.3.4.1 for cast-in-place construction or 16.3.6.1 for precast construction. In precast construction, resistance to lateral forces may be provided by mechanical or welded connections.

**R16.3.3.6** **Chapter 17** covers anchor design, including seismic design requirements. In precast concrete construction, erection considerations may control base connection design and need to be considered.

**R16.3.4** *Minimum reinforcement for connections between cast-in-place members and foundation*

The Code requires a minimum amount of reinforcement between all supported and supporting members to ensure ductile behavior. This reinforcement is required to provide a degree of structural integrity during the construction stage and during the life of the structure.

**R16.3.4.1** The minimum area of reinforcement at the base of a column may be provided by extending the longitudinal bars and anchoring them into the footing or by providing properly anchored dowels.

**R16.3.5** *Details for connections between cast-in-place members and foundation*

**R16.3.5.4** Satisfying 16.3.3.1 might require that each No. 43 or 57 bar be spliced in compression to more than one No. 36 or smaller dowel bar.