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calculated by Eq. (18.13.5.10.4a) or calculated from a more detailed analysis by Eq. (18.13.5.10.4b):

$$0.15 \left(\frac{f_c'}{f_{yt}} \right)$$
 (18.13.5.10.4a)

$$0.04 \left(\frac{f_c'}{f_{yt}} \right) \left(2.8 + \frac{2.3 P_u}{f_c' A_g} \right) \quad (18.13.5.10.4b)$$

and f_{yt} shall not be taken greater than 690 MPa.

(b) A minimum of one-half of the volumetric ratio of spiral reinforcement required by Eq. (18.13.5.10.4a) or Eq. (18.13.5.10.4b) shall be provided for the remaining length of the pile.

18.13.5.10.5 For structures assigned to SDC D, E, or F, precast-prestressed concrete piles shall satisfy (a) through (e) and the ductile pile region shall be defined as the length of pile measured from the bottom of the pile cap to the point of zero curvature plus 3 times the least pile dimension, but not less than 10.5 m. If the total pile length in the soil is 10.5 m or less, the ductile pile region shall be taken as the entire length of the pile:

- (a) In the ductile pile region, the center-to-center spacing of spirals or hoop reinforcement shall not exceed the least of 0.2 times the least pile dimension, 6 times the diameter of the longitudinal strand, and 150 mm.
- (b) Spiral reinforcement shall be spliced by lapping one full turn, by welding, or by the use of a mechanical splice. If spiral reinforcement is lap spliced, the ends of the spiral shall terminate in a seismic hook. Mechanical and welded splices of deformed bars shall comply with 25.5.7.
- (c) If the transverse reinforcement consists of spirals, or circular hoops, the volumetric ratio of transverse reinforcement, ρ_s , in the ductile pile region shall not be less than that calculated by Eq. (18.13.5.10.5a) or calculated from a more detailed analysis by Eq. (18.13.5.10.5b), and the required volumetric ratio shall be permitted to be obtained by providing an inner and outer spiral.

$$0.2 \left(\frac{f_c'}{f_{yt}} \right) \tag{18.13.5.10.5a}$$

$$0.06 \left(\frac{f_c'}{f_{yt}} \right) \left(2.8 + \frac{2.3 P_u}{f_c' A_g} \right) \quad (18.13.5.10.5b)$$

and f_{yt} shall not be taken as greater than 690 MPa.

(d) Outside of the ductile pile region, spiral or hoop reinforcement shall be provided with a volumetric ratio not less than one-half of that required within the ductile pile

COMMENTARY

on prestressed piles and overall system ductility demand was considered in the context of all soil profiles identified in ASCE/SEI 7. It was concluded that Eq. (18.13.5.10.4b) results in adequate deformation capacity for structures assigned to SDC C. The factored axial force on a pile should be determined from Eq. (5.3.1c) and Eq. (5.3.1g) with 5.3.7 and 5.3.8 as applicable.

R18.13.5.10.5 Observed damage from earthquakes and concerns about the accuracy of calculated pile demands have led to prescriptive requirements for confinement of potential yielding regions of piles. The required confinement is intended to provide adequate ductility capacity for structures assigned to SDC D, E, and F (Sritharan et al. 2016).

