

## CODE

## COMMENTARY

**transfer**—act of transferring stress in prestressed reinforcement from jacks or pretensioning bed to concrete member.

**transfer length**—length of embedded pretensioned reinforcement required to transfer the effective prestress to the concrete.

**two-way construction**—members designed to be capable of supporting loads through bending in two directions; some slabs and foundations are considered two-way construction. See also **one-way construction**.

**uncased cast-in-place concrete drilled or augered piles**—piles with or without an enlarged base (bell) that are constructed by either drilling a hole in the ground, or by installing a temporary casing in the ground and cleaning out the soil, and subsequently filling the hole with reinforcement and concrete.

**wall**—a vertical element designed to resist axial load, lateral load, or both, with a horizontal length-to-thickness ratio greater than 3, used to enclose or separate spaces.

**wall segment**—portion of wall bounded by vertical or horizontal openings or edges.

**wall segment, horizontal**—segment of a structural wall, bounded vertically by two openings or by an opening and an edge.

**wall segment, vertical**—segment of a structural wall, bounded horizontally by two openings or by an opening and an edge; wall piers are vertical wall segments.

**wall pier**—a vertical wall segment within a structural wall, bounded horizontally by two openings or by an opening and an edge, with ratio of horizontal length to wall thickness ( $\ell_w/b_w$ ) less than or equal to 6.0, and ratio of clear height to horizontal length ( $h_w/\ell_w$ ) greater than or equal to 2.0.

**water-cementitious materials ratio**—ratio of mass of water, excluding that absorbed by the aggregate, to the mass of cementitious materials in a mixture, stated as a decimal.

**work**—the entire construction or separately identifiable parts thereof that are required to be furnished under the construction documents.

**yield strength**—specified minimum yield strength or yield point of reinforcement; yield strength or yield point shall be determined in tension according to applicable ASTM standards as modified by this Code.

**wall segment, horizontal**—A horizontal wall segment is shown in Fig. R18.10.4.5.

**wall pier**—Wall piers are vertical wall segments with dimensions and reinforcement intended to result in shear demand being limited by flexural yielding of the vertical reinforcement in the pier.