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Standard Specification for Precast Reinforced Concrete Monolithic Box Sections for Culverts, Storm Drains, and Sewers (Metric)¹

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1. Scope*

1.1 This specification covers single-cell precast reinforced concrete box sections cast monolithically and intended to be used for the construction of culverts and for the conveyance of storm water industrial wastes and sewage.

1.2 This specification is the SI companion to Specification C1433.

NOTE 1—This specification is primarily a manufacturing and purchasing specification. However, standard designs are included and the criteria used to develop these designs are given in [Appendix X1](#). The successful performance of this product depends upon the proper selection of the box section, bedding, backfill, and care that the installation conforms to the construction specifications. The purchaser of the precast reinforced concrete box sections specified herein is cautioned that he must properly correlate the loading conditions and the field requirements with the box section specified and provide for inspection at the construction site.

1.3 *This international standard was developed in accordance with internationally recognized principles on standardization established in the Decision on Principles for the Development of International Standards, Guides and Recommendations issued by the World Trade Organization Technical Barriers to Trade (TBT) Committee.*

2. Referenced Documents

2.1 ASTM Standards:²

[A615/A615M](#) Specification for Deformed and Plain Carbon-Steel Bars for Concrete Reinforcement

[A1064/A1064M](#) Specification for Carbon-Steel Wire and Welded Wire Reinforcement, Plain and Deformed, for Concrete

[A706/A706M](#) Specification for Deformed and Plain Low-Alloy Steel Bars for Concrete Reinforcement

[C31/C31M](#) Practice for Making and Curing Concrete Test

Specimens in the Field

[C33/C33M](#) Specification for Concrete Aggregates

[C39/C39M](#) Test Method for Compressive Strength of Cylindrical Concrete Specimens

[C150/C150M](#) Specification for Portland Cement

[C260/C260M](#) Specification for Air-Entraining Admixtures for Concrete

[C309](#) Specification for Liquid Membrane-Forming Compounds for Curing Concrete

[C494/C494M](#) Specification for Chemical Admixtures for Concrete

[C497M](#) Test Methods for Concrete Pipe, Concrete Box Sections, Manhole Sections, or Tile (Metric)

[C595/C595M](#) Specification for Blended Hydraulic Cements

[C618](#) Specification for Coal Fly Ash and Raw or Calcined Natural Pozzolan for Use in Concrete

[C822](#) Terminology Relating to Concrete Pipe and Related Products

[C989/C989M](#) Specification for Slag Cement for Use in Concrete and Mortars

[C990](#) Specification for Joints for Concrete Pipe, Manholes, and Precast Box Sections Using Preformed Flexible Joint Sealants

[C1017/C1017M](#) Specification for Chemical Admixtures for Use in Producing Flowing Concrete (Withdrawn 2022)³

[C1116/C1116M](#) Specification for Fiber-Reinforced Concrete

[C1602/C1602M](#) Specification for Mixing Water Used in the Production of Hydraulic Cement Concrete

[C1619](#) Specification for Elastomeric Seals for Joining Concrete Structures

[C1675](#) Practice for Installation of Precast Reinforced Concrete Monolithic Box Sections for Culverts, Storm Drains, and Sewers

[C1677](#) Specification for Joints for Concrete Box, Using Rubber Gaskets

2.2 AASHTO Standards:⁴

[Standard Specifications for Highway Bridges](#)

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² For referenced ASTM standards, visit the ASTM website, www.astm.org, or contact ASTM Customer Service at service@astm.org. For *Annual Book of ASTM Standards* volume information, refer to the standard's Document Summary page on the ASTM website.

³ The last approved version of this historical standard is referenced on www.astm.org.

⁴ Available from American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO), 444 N. Capitol St., NW, Suite 249, Washington, DC 20001.

*A Summary of Changes section appears at the end of this standard

3. Terminology

3.1 *Definitions*—For definitions of terms relating to concrete pipe, see Terminology **C822**.

4. Types

4.1 Precast reinforced concrete box sections manufactured in accordance with this specification shall be one of two types identified in **Tables 1 and 2**, and shall be designated by type, span, rise, and design earth cover.

5. Basis of Acceptance

5.1 Acceptability of the box sections produced in accordance with Section 7 shall be determined by the results of the concrete compressive strength tests described in Section 11, by the material requirements described in Section 6, and by inspection of the finished box sections.

5.2 Box sections shall be considered ready for acceptance when they conform to the requirements of this specification.

6. Material

6.1 *Reinforced Concrete*—The reinforced concrete shall consist of cementitious materials, mineral aggregates, admixtures if used, and water in which steel has been embedded in such a manner that the steel and concrete act together.

6.2 *Cementitious Materials*:

6.2.1 *Cement*—Cement shall conform to the requirements for portland cement of Specification **C150/C150M** or shall be portland blast-furnace slag cement, portland-limestone cement, or portland-pozzolan cement conforming to the requirements of Specification **C595/C595M**, except that the pozzolan constituent in the Type IP portland pozzolan cement shall be fly ash.

6.2.2 *Fly Ash*—Fly ash shall conform to the requirements of Specification **C618**, Class F or Class C.

6.2.3 *Slag Cement*—Slag cement shall conform to the requirements of Grade 100 or 120 of Specification **C989/C989M**.

6.2.4 *Allowable Combinations of Cementitious Materials*—The combination of cementitious materials used in the concrete shall be one of the following:

- 6.2.4.1 Portland cement only,
- 6.2.4.2 Portland blast-furnace slag cement only,
- 6.2.4.3 Portland-pozzolan cement only,
- 6.2.4.4 Portland-limestone cement only,
- 6.2.4.5 A combination of portland cement or portland-limestone cement and fly ash,
- 6.2.4.6 A combination of portland cement or portland-limestone cement, and slag cement,
- 6.2.4.7 A combination of portland cement or portland-limestone, slag cement, and fly ash, or

6.2.4.8 A combination of portland-pozzolan cement and fly ash.

6.3 *Aggregates*—Aggregates shall conform to Specification **C33/C33M**, except that the requirements for gradation shall not apply.

6.4 *Admixtures*—The following admixtures and blends are allowable:

6.4.1 Air-entraining admixture conforming to Specification **C260/C260M**;

6.4.2 Chemical admixture conforming to Specification **C494/C494M**;

6.4.3 Chemical admixture for use in producing flowing concrete conforming to Specification **C1017/C1017M**; and

6.4.4 Chemical admixture or blend approved by the owner.

6.5 *Steel Reinforcement*—Reinforcement shall consist of welded wire reinforcement conforming to Specification **A1064/A1064M**. Circumferential reinforcement areas in **Tables 1 and 2** are based solely on the use of welded wire reinforcement, refer to 12.6 if alternate steel designs utilizing steel bars, Grade 420, in conjunction with or in lieu of welded wire reinforcement are to be submitted for the owner's approval. Longitudinal distribution reinforcement shall be allowed to consist of welded wire reinforcement or deformed billet-steel bars conforming to either Specification **A615/A615M**, Grade 420, or Specification **A706/A706M**, Grade 420.

6.6 *Fibers*—Synthetic fibers and nonsynthetic fibers shall be allowed to be used, at the manufacturer's option, in concrete pipe as a nonstructural manufacturing material. Synthetic fibers (Type II and Type III) and nonsynthetic fiber (Type I) designed and manufactured specifically for use in concrete and conforming to the requirements of Specification **C1116/C1116M** shall be accepted.

6.7 *Water*—Water used in the production of concrete shall be potable or non-potable water that meets the requirements of Specification **C1602/C1602M**.

7. Design

7.1 *Design Tables*—The box section dimensions, compressive strength of the concrete, and reinforcement details shall be as prescribed in **Table 1** or **Table 2** and **Figs. 1-14**, subject to the provisions of Section 12. **Table 1** sections are designed for combined earth dead load and AASHTO HS20 live load conditions. **Table 2** sections are designed for combined earth dead load and interstate live load conditions when the interstate live loading exceeds the HS20 live loading. Criteria used to develop **Tables 1 and 2** are given in **Appendix X1**.

NOTE 2—The tabular designs in this specification were prepared according to AASHTO Standard Specifications for Highway Bridges, 1997 Edition.