

SECTION 701

AGGREGATE

701.1 GENERAL:

Coarse and fine aggregates are defined in accordance ASTM D2487. Material property requirements for specific uses are provided in applicable MAG sections.

701.2 COARSE AGGREGATE:

Rock and gravel shall be clean, hard, sound, durable, uniform in quality, and free of any detrimental quantity of soft, friable, thin elongated, or laminated pieces, disintegrated material, organic matter, oil, alkali, or other deleterious substance. Aggregate sources shall include, but not be limited to alluvial deposits, terrace aggregates, quarry stone, or other suitable sources including recycled products that meet all material test requirements as approved by the Engineer. Aggregate classification shall be made by size as noted herein.

Apparent specific gravity shall be at least 2.50, when tested in accordance with ASTM C127.

701.2.1 Boulders: Particles of rock that will not pass a 12-inch square opening.

701.2.2 Cobbles: Particles of rock that will pass a 12-inch square opening, but are retained on a 3-inch square opening.

701.2.3 Coarse Gravel: Particles of rock that will pass a 3-inch U.S. standard sieve, but are retained on a 3/4-inch U.S. standard sieve.

7.01.2.4 Fine Gravel: Particles of rock that will pass a 3/4-inch U.S. standard sieve, but are retained on a No. 4 U.S. standard sieve

701.3 FINE AGGREGATE (SAND):

Fine aggregate (sand) shall be fine granular material produced by the crushing of rock or gravel or naturally produced by disintegration of rock and shall be sufficiently free of organic material, mica, loam, clay, and other deleterious substances to be thoroughly suitable for the purpose for which it is intended. Fine aggregates particles shall pass a No. 4 U.S. standard sieve, but are retained on a No. 200 U.S. standard sieve.

701.4 SAMPLING:

Sampling of aggregates shall be performed in accordance with ASTM D75.

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SECTION 702

BASE MATERIALS

702.1 GENERAL:

Materials for use as aggregate base shall be classified in the order of preference as follows:

- (A) Crushed Aggregate.
- (B) Processed Natural Material.
- (C) Processed Steel Slag.
- (D) Decomposed Granite.

When base material without further qualification is specified, the Contractor shall supply crushed aggregate. When a particular classification of base material is specified, the Contractor may substitute any higher classification of base material for the specified classification.

Except where materials are being obtained from a previously approved source, the Contractor shall give the Engineer 10 days advance notice, in writing, of the source of the base material he intends to use in order to allow sufficient time to perform the necessary tests.

702.2 CRUSHED AGGREGATE:

Crushed aggregate shall consist of crushed rock or crushed gravel or a combination thereof as defined in Section [701](#).

702.2.1 Soundness: The percentage of wear of crushed aggregate to be used as base will be determined as in Section [701](#), except that Grading B of ASTM C131 shall be used. The percentage of wear of the material shall not exceed 40 after 500 revolutions.

702.2.2. Grading: The aggregate shall be well graded when tested in accordance with ASTM C136 and C117. The percentage composition by weight shall be within Table [702-1](#).

TABLE 702-1			
CRUSHED AGGREGATE GRADATION			
Percentage by Weight Passing Sieve			
Sieve Sizes (Square Openings)	Select Material		Aggregate Base
	Type A	Type B	
3"	100		
1 1/2"		100	
1 1/4"			100
No. 4	30-75	30-70	38-65
No. 8	20-60	20-60	25-60
No. 30	10-40	10-40	10-40
No. 200	0-12	0-12	3-12

702.2.3 Plasticity Index: Unless otherwise noted, the Plasticity Index as tested in accordance with AASHTO T-146 Method A (Wet Preparation), T-89 and T-90 shall not be more than 5.

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702.3 PROCESSED NATURAL MATERIAL:

702.3.1 General: Processed natural material shall consist of hard, durable fragments of stone or gravel and a filler of sand or other finely divided mineral matter. It shall be free from an excess of soft or disintegrated pieces, alkali, adobe, vegetable matter, loam, or other deleterious substances.

702.3.2 Physical Requirements: When sampled and tested in accordance with standard test methods, the aggregate shall meet the following requirements:

(A) Percentage of Wear: When tested in accordance with ASTM C131, the percentage of wear shall not exceed 40 percent after 500 revolutions.

(B) Plasticity Index: When tested in accordance with AASHTO T-146 Method A (Wet Preparation), T-89 and T-90, the plasticity index shall not be more than 5.

(C) Liquid Limit: When tested in accordance with AASHTO T-89, the liquid limit shall not be more than 25 percent.

702.3.3 Crushed Material: Crushed material is not required, but may be incorporated in the finished product.

702.3.4 Grading: The aggregate shall conform to the sieve analysis in this specification except that the least dimension of the maximum particle size shall not exceed 2/3 of the compacted thickness of the specified lift being placed.

702.4 DECOMPOSED GRANITE:

Decomposed granite shall be any granitoid igneous rock which has been weathered in place and which has as principal constituents granular fragments of quartz and feldspar. It may also contain fragments of granitic rock not yet broken down into the component minerals. This material shall remain stable when saturated with water. Particles larger than 3 inches, which will not be broken in the process of rolling and tamping during construction, shall not be used.

Decomposed granite shall conform to the following requirements:

(A) When tested in accordance with this specification, not more than 20 percent shall pass the No. 200 mesh sieve.

(B) The P.I. of material passing the No. 200 sieve prior to testing shall not be less than 3 nor greater than 10. The Plasticity Index shall be tested in accordance with AASHTO T-146 Method A (Wet Preparation), T-89 and T-90.

702.4.1 Preparation of Test Specimens: A quantity of sufficient size to have a dry weight of 15 pounds shall be selected and dried to constant weight at a temperature between 215°F. and 230°F. Fifteen pounds of this material shall then be subjected to 500 revolutions in a Los Angeles abrasion machine, as described in Section [701](#), except that nothing shall be placed in the drum other than the material to be tested.

The material that has been subjected to the breakdown shall be tested in accordance with ASTM C117 to determine the percentage of material finer than a No. 200 mesh sieve by washing.

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SECTION 728

CONTROLLED LOW STRENGTH MATERIAL

728.1 GENERAL:

Controlled Low Strength Material (CLSM) is a mixture of cementitious materials, aggregates, admixtures\additives, and water that, as the cementitious materials hydrate, forms a soil replacement. CLSM is a self-compacting, flowable, cementitious material primarily used as a backfill, structural fill, or a replacement for compacted fill or unsuitable native material. Placement and usage of each type of CLSM is described in Section [604](#).

728.2 MATERIALS:

Cementitious materials shall conform to Section [725.2](#).

Coarse aggregate shall conform to ASTM C33 grading size No. 57. The size and gradation of fine aggregates (sand) shall conform to ASTM C33.

Water shall conform to Section [725.4](#).

728.3 PROPORTIONING OF MIXTURES AND PRODUCTION TOLERANCES:

Proportioning of the mixture shall comply with Section [725.6](#) and Table [728-1](#). The CLSM shall have consistency, workability, plasticity, and flow characteristics such that the material when placed is self-compacting. A minimum of 40% coarse aggregate shall be used. A mix design shall be submitted for the Engineer's approval prior to the excavation for which the material is intended for use. Sampling shall be in accordance with ASTM D5971. The flow consistency shall be tested in accordance with ASTM D6103. Unit weight (when applicable) shall be obtained by ASTM D6023. Compressive strength shall be tested in accordance with ASTM D4832.

TABLE 728-1	
CONTROLLED LOW STRENGTH MATERIAL REQUIREMENTS	
Portland Cement Content, Sack/cu yd	Flow, inches
1/2 Sack	9±2
1 Sack	9±2
1 1/2 Sack	9±2

Note for Table [728-1](#):

(1) CLSM mixes meeting the table requirements will not generally be placeable by means of a concrete pump or may not provide the needed workability for certain conditions. When pumpable mixes or increased workability are required, the addition of fly ash or a natural pozzolan in excess of the required Portland Cement Content may be used.

(2) Ready-mixed concrete shall not be used in lieu of CLSM without prior approval from the Engineer and shall be subject to rejection.

728.4 MIXING:

CLSM mixing shall comply with Section [725.7](#) Mixing shall continue until the cementitious material and water are thoroughly dispersed throughout the material. Mixes shall be homogenous, readily placeable and uniformly workable.

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