



Product Specification for:
System-K™ Concrete

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SECTION 03 30 00 CAST-IN-PLACE CONCRETE

[Note to specifier: This was formerly Section 03300]

PART I GENERAL

1.1 RELATED DOCUMENTS

- A. Drawings and general provisions of the contract, including General and Supplementary Conditions, apply to this section.

1.2 SUMMARY

- A. This section specifies System-K™ shrinkage-compensating concrete to allow extremely large concrete placements without joints and without rebar.

1.3 SUBMITTALS

- A. Substitutions:
[Note to specifier: This paragraph should be included in section 01 25 13. It is shown here as a convenience for your review.] Requests for substitution must be received by Specifier at least 14 days prior to bid opening and shall be accepted only from prime bidders. Request shall include: documentation from an approved independent testing laboratory showing compliance with this specification, record of past performance, list of similar installations, detailed comparison of the qualities of the proposed substitute with the specified product, statement of product costs showing all savings passed to owner if approved, and certification by the contractor that the proposed substitute is in every significant way equal to or better than the specified product.
- B. Submit 2 copies of product manufacturer's literature and Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS).
[Note to specifier: Add any other required submissions.]
- C. Submit preliminary mix design to CTS Cement Manufacturing Corporation for review 8 weeks before start of concrete placement.



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1.4 QUALITY ASSURANCE

- A. References: Comply with the following unless modified by this specification.
1. ASTM C33-03 Standard Specification for Concrete Aggregates
 2. ASTM C94/C94M-03 Standard Specification for Ready-Mixed Concrete
 3. ASTM C150-02a Standard Specification for Portland Cement
 4. ASTM C806-95 Standard Test Method for Restrained Expansion of Expansive Cement Mortar
 5. ASTM C845-96 Standard Specification for Expansive Hydraulic Cement
 6. ASTM C878/C878M-03 Standard Test Method for Restrained Expansion of Shrinkage-Compensating Concrete
- B. Packaged materials used to create expansion shall be delivered in original, unopened, undamaged bags that clearly show the manufacturer's name, product name, and batch number.

1.5 DELIVERY, STORAGE, AND HANDLING

- A. Delivery: Deliver cementitious materials to the ready-mix plant in bulk or in packages.
- B. Storage: Store bulk material in clean silos. Store bagged material in a dry area off the ground protected from rain, snow, and other sources of moisture.

PART 2 PRODUCTS

2.1 TYPE-K CEMENT

- A. CTS System-K™, consisting of Komponent® and K-Fiber™, used with ASTM C150 Type I, II, or V portland cement at approximately 15% System-K™ and 85% portland cement. The exact percentages will be determined by laboratory testing as described in paragraph 2.1 D. Komponent®, K-Fiber™ and portland cement samples shall be delivered to the laboratory 6 weeks



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prior to the first concrete placement.

[Note to specifier: K-Fiber™ are small synthetic fibers designed to restrain the expansion of Type-K Concrete.]

- B. CTS System-K™ shall be manufactured by CTS Cement Manufacturing Corporation, 11065 Knott Avenue, Suite A, Cypress, CA 90630. Phone: 800-929-3030 Website: www.ctscement.com
- C. Material shall meet ASTM C845 (modified) as a Type-K Cement.
- D. Material shall provide expansion from .04% to .10% at 7 days when tested in accordance with ASTM C806 by a laboratory approved by CTS Cement Manufacturing Corporation [Note to specifier: Since many laboratories are unfamiliar with the testing required for Type-K Cement and Type-K Concrete, the lab must be approved by CTS Cement.]
- A. Trial batches shall be performed per CTS Cement recommended mix designs. The Type-K Concrete shall provide expansion from .05% to .09% at 7 days when tested in accordance with ASTM C878 in a laboratory approved by CTS Cement.

2.2 AGGREGATES

- A. Fine and coarse aggregate shall conform to ASTM C33.

2.3 ADMIXTURES

- A. The acceptability of admixtures will be determined by CTS Cement during the mix design review process. Check with CTS Cement for experience with a specific admixture.

2.4 WATER

- A. Potable.

2.5 WATER/CEMENT RATIO

- A. See approved concrete mix design.

2.6 SLUMP



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- A. See approved concrete mix design.

2.7 REINFORCEMENT

- A. When CTS System-K™ is used:
 - 1. [Note to specifier: For non-structural concrete, such as slabs on grade, no steel reinforcement is required.]

PART 3 EXECUTION

3.1 PRE-POUR CONFERENCE

- A. Pre-pour conference shall be at least one week prior to the first concrete placement and shall include the specifier, the contractor and his foreman, the concrete supply company, CTS Cement, the testing agency, other applicable trades, and the owner's representative.

3.2 MIXING

- A. Concrete production shall comply with ASTM C94/C94M except where stated herein.
- B. Follow CTS Cement's recommended procedures for batching and mixing Type-K Concrete.
- C. To avoid cumulative weighing errors of cementitious materials, the CTS System-K™ must be weighed out first or individually.

3.3 FIELD QUALITY ASSURANCE

[Note to specifier: Insert field quality assurance requirements as necessary.]

3.4 PLACEMENT

- A. Concrete temperature at placement must not exceed 90°F. Concrete over 60 minutes old must not have a temperature greater than 80°F.



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- B. No concrete shall be placed that is more the 90 minutes old measured from the time of batching.
- C. Concrete temperature at placement must not be less than 55°F and concrete shall be protected from freezing temperatures for 7 days after placement.
- D. Subgrade temperature shall not be less than 40°F at time of placement. Ambient conditions must be 40°F and rising at time of placement.
- E. Normal placement and finishing techniques shall be used. There is little bleed water, so the start of the finishing must be when the concrete has started to set.

3.5 CURING

- A. Start water cure as soon as it can be done without marring the surface. Water cure for 7 days. Surface shall be kept continuously wet. Wetting and drying of the surface shall not be allowed. Fog spray, wet burlap, and ponding are acceptable methods.

END OF SECTION