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- ASCE/EWRI 2-06 Measurement of Oxygen Transfer in Clean Water
- ANSI/ASCE 3-91 Standard for the Structural Design of Composite Slabs and ANSI/ASCE 9-91 Standard Practice for the Construction and Inspection of Composite Slabs
- ASCE 4-98 Seismic Analysis of Safety-Related Nuclear Structures
- Building Code Requirements for Masonry Structures (ACI 530-02/ASCE 5-02/TMS 402-02) and Specifications for Masonry Structures (ACI 530.1-02/ASCE 6-02/TMS 602-02)
- ASCE/SEI 7-05 Minimum Design Loads for Buildings and Other Structures
- SEI/ASCE 8-02 Standard Specification for the Design of Cold-Formed Stainless Steel Structural Members
- ANSI/ASCE 9-91 listed with ASCE 3-91
- ASCE 10-97 Design of Latticed Steel Transmission Structures
- SEI/ASCE 11-99 Guideline for Structural Condition Assessment of Existing Buildings
- ASCE/EWRI 12-05 Guideline for the Design of Urban Subsurface Drainage
- ASCE/EWRI 13-05 Standard Guidelines for Installation of Urban Subsurface Drainage
- ASCE/EWRI 14-05 Standard Guidelines for Operation and Maintenance of Urban Subsurface Drainage
- ASCE 15-98 Standard Practice for Direct Design of Buried Precast Concrete Pipe Using Standard Installations (SIDD)
- ASCE 16-95 Standard for Load Resistance Factor Design (LRFD) of Engineered Wood Construction
- ASCE 17-96 Air-Supported Structures
- ASCE 18-96 Standard Guidelines for In-Process Oxygen Transfer Testing
- ASCE 19-96 Structural Applications of Steel Cables for Buildings
- ASCE 20-96 Standard Guidelines for the Design and Installation of Pile Foundations
- ANSI/ASCE/T&DI 21-05 Automated People Mover Standards—Part 1
- ANSI/ASCE/T&DI 21.2-08 Automated People Mover Standards—Part 2
- ANSI/ASCE/T&DI 21.3-08 Automated People Mover Standards—Part 3
- ANSI/ASCE/T&DI 21.4-08 Automated People Mover Standards—Part 4
- SEI/ASCE 23-97 Specification for Structural Steel Beams with Web Openings
- ASCE/SEI 24-05 Flood Resistant Design and Construction
- ASCE/SEI 25-06 Earthquake-Actuated Automatic Gas Shutoff Devices
- ASCE 26-97 Standard Practice for Design of Buried Precast Concrete Box Sections
- ASCE 27-00 Standard Practice for Direct Design of Precast Concrete Pipe for Jacking in Trenchless Construction
- ASCE 28-00 Standard Practice for Direct Design of Precast Concrete Box Sections for Jacking in Trenchless Construction
- ASCE/SEI/SFPE 29-05 Standard Calculation Methods for Structural Fire Protection
- SEI/ASCE 30-00 Guideline for Condition Assessment of the Building Envelope
- SEI/ASCE 31-03 Seismic Evaluation of Existing Buildings
- SEI/ASCE 32-01 Design and Construction of Frost-Protected Shallow Foundations
- EWRI/ASCE 33-01 Comprehensive Transboundary International Water Quality Management Agreement
- EWRI/ASCE 34-01 Standard Guidelines for Artificial Recharge of Ground Water
- EWRI/ASCE 35-01 Guidelines for Quality Assurance of Installed Fine-Pore Aeration Equipment
- CI/ASCE 36-01 Standard Construction Guidelines for Microtunneling
- SEI/ASCE 37-02 Design Loads on Structures During Construction
- CI/ASCE 38-02 Standard Guideline for the Collection and Depiction of Existing Subsurface Utility Data
- EWRI/ASCE 39-03 Standard Practice for the Design and Operation of Hail Suppression Projects
- ASCE/EWRI 40-03 Regulated Riparian Model Water Code
- ASCE/SEI 41-06 Seismic Rehabilitation of Existing Buildings
- ASCE/EWRI 42-04 Standard Practice for the Design and Operation of Precipitation Enhancement Projects
- ASCE/SEI 43-05 Seismic Design Criteria for Structures, Systems, and Components in Nuclear Facilities
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This Standard is Part 2 of the four-part Automated People Mover Standards, which establish the minimum set of requirements necessary to achieve an acceptable level of safety and performance for an Automated People Mover (APM) system. An APM is defined as a guided transit mode with fully automated operation, featuring vehicles that operate on guideways with exclusive right-of-way.

Parts 1, 2, and 3 cover requirements for design of an APM system while Part 4 covers requirements for an APM in passenger operation. Part 2 contains sections covering vehicles, propulsion, and braking.

The ASCE Automated People Movers Standards Committee has been developing these standards since 1991. The committee comprises individuals from many backgrounds, including consulting engineering, research, transit agencies, airports, transit system design and manufacturing, education, government, and private practice.

This standard establishes the minimum set of requirements necessary to achieve an acceptable level of

safety and performance for an APM system. As such, it may be used in the safety certification process. The overall goal of this standard is to assist the industry and the public by establishing standards for APM systems.

This standard has no legal authority in its own right but may acquire legal standing in one or more of the following ways:

1. Adoption by an authority having jurisdiction.
2. Reference to compliance with the standard as a contract requirement.
3. Claim by a manufacturer or manufacturer's agent of compliance with the standard.

This standard will be beneficial to transportation engineers, civil engineers, safety engineers, and contractors of APM systems. Anyone who owns, operates, builds or maintains, designs, tests, insures, oversees, or certifies APMs or other innovative technology transit systems such as magnetic levitation, air cushion, and monorail systems will also benefit from the standard.

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# Automated People Mover Standards—Part 2

## 1. GENERAL

### 1.1 SCOPE

This standard has been divided into four parts to expedite the approval and release process as well as to facilitate ease of use. This document constitutes Part 2 of the standard.

Parts 1, 2, and 3 cover a minimum set of requirements for design of an Automated People Mover (APM) with an acceptable level of safety and performance.

Part 1 consists of:

1. General
2. Operating Environment
3. Safety Requirements
4. System Dependability
5. Automatic Train Control (ATC)
6. Audio and Visual Communications

Part 2 consists of:

1. General
7. Vehicles
8. Propulsion and Braking

Part 3 consists of:

1. General
9. Electrical
10. Stations
11. Guideways

Part 4 is a minimum set of requirements for maintaining an acceptable level of safety and performance for an APM in passenger operation.

Part 4 consists of:

1. General
12. Security
13. Emergency Preparedness
14. System Verification and Demonstration
15. Operations, Maintenance, and Training
16. Operational Monitoring

The APM Standards all use SI units with equivalent English units provided in parentheses.

### 1.2 EXISTING APPLICATIONS

Existing installations and projects in progress prior to the effective date of this standard need not comply

with the new or revised requirements of this edition, except where specifically required by the authority having jurisdiction. Existing APMs, when completely removed and reinstalled, shall be classified as new installations.

### 1.3 NEW APPLICATIONS

New installations begun after the effective date of this standard shall comply with the new or revised requirements of this edition.

### 1.4 REFERENCE STANDARDS

The specific citations of the following documents are incorporated by reference in this standard.

**ACGIH:** American Conference of Government Industrial Hygienists, 1330 Kemper Meadow Drive, Cincinnati, OH 45240; phone (513) 742-2020.

ACGIH Publication #7 DOC-648, *Whole Body Vibration: TLV Physical Agents*, 7th Edition Documentation (cited in 7.7.3.2)

NOTE: An equivalent source for the above is ISO 2631/1-1985, *Evaluation of Human Exposure to Whole Body Vibration*, which is no longer supported by or available from the ISO but may be purchased from the IHS Standards Store, 15 Inverness Way East, Englewood, CO 80112; phone (303) 792-2181 ext. 1950.

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