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**Foreword** (This Foreword is not part of American National Standard for Concrete and Masonry Work Safety Requirements, A10.9-1997.)

This standard establishes safety requirements pertaining to concrete construction and masonry work in construction.

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# Safety Requirements for Concrete and Masonry Work

#### 1 General

- 1.1 Scope. This standard establishes safety requirements pertaining to concrete construction and masonry work in construction. The requirements contained in this standard cover all on-site concrete construction and masonry work including design, erection, operation, and maintenance of aggregate processing plants, concrete mixing plants, and conveyances. It also contains safety requirements pertinent to the specialty concrete operations of prestressing by pretensioning or post-tensioning, lift-slab construction, tilt-up construction, and slipforms.
- **1.2 Purpose.** The purpose of this standard is to establish reasonable and practical safety requirements and practices for concrete construction and masonry work.
- **1.3 Exceptions.** The approving authority may grant exception from the requirements of this standard or permit the use of other devices or methods which provide safety features equal to or exceeding this standard.
- **1.4 Interpretation.** In cases where additional explanation or interpretation of this standard is required, such requests should be referred to Standards Committee A10, American Society of Safety Engineers, 1800 East Oakton Street, Des Plaines, Illinois 60018-2187.
- 1.5 Application. This standard, which represents the consensus of a cross section of the industry, should form the basis for construction safety regulations established by federal, state, and municipal agencies, as well as for safety standards adopted by insurance companies and trade associations.

#### 1.6 Fall Prevention

- **1.6.1** A fall prevention plan is required for all personnel exposed to fall hazards of 6 feet or more.
- **1.6.2** Guardrails, mid rails and toeboards shall be installed on open sides and ends of ramps, platforms, runways, or walkways 6 feet or more above the ground or floor level in accordance with ANSI A10.8 and/or A10.18.
- **1.7 Personal Protective Equipment.** Personal protective equipment shall be provided by the employer and used by the employee.
- 1.8 Design and Drawings. Structural concrete, not on grade, and vertical walls except for single-story residential basement walls shall require formwork drawings prepared by an engineer, a copy of which shall be available at the job site. Design, specifications, erection, and reshoring drawings shall be prepared or approved by an engineer.

#### 1.9 Project Safety Plan

1.9.1 All work covered by this standard shall be conducted in accordance with the project constructor's safety plan. The plan shall be approved by the project constructor prior to the start of work and address safety and health hazards of each phase of construction. Only employees who have been trained in accordance with the plan will be permitted to work. If hazards not covered in the plan are encountered, safe work practices approved by the project constructor shall be developed to ensure safe working conditions.