

CERTIFICATE OF ACCREDITATION



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Programme

Mechanical Testing Laboratory

Accreditation Number 17

Initial Accreditation Date 13 October 1975

Conformance Standard

ISO/IEC 17025:2017


General requirements for the competence of testing and calibration laboratories

Laboratory Services Summary

- 4.01 Aggregates
- 4.04 Concrete
- 4.08 Soils
- 4.15 Activities by Seconded Personnel
- 4.25 Cement Products

Key Technical Personnel

- Mr Philip Johnstone 4.01, 4.08; selected
- Mr James Robinson 4.01, 4.08
- Mr Trevor Whitmore 4.01, 4.04, 4.08, 4.15, 4.25

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4.01 Aggregates

The following tests in accordance with NZS 3111:1986

- Section 5 Sampling aggregate
- Section 6 Sieve analysis of aggregate and calculation of fineness modulus
- Section 7 The moisture content of aggregate by drying
- Section 9 Lightweight particles in aggregate
- Section 10 Unit mass and voids content of aggregate
- Section 12 The density and absorption of coarse aggregate
- Section 13 The cleanness of coarse aggregate
- Section 14 Crushing resistance of coarse aggregate
- Section 15 Weathering resistance of coarse aggregate
- Section 16 The density and absorption of sand
- Section 17 Presence of organic impurities in sand
- Section 18 Sand equivalent value
- Section 19 Voids content, flow time and percentage oversize material in sand


The following tests in accordance with NZS 4407:2015 - Section 2

Methods of Sampling Road Aggregates

The following tests in accordance with NZS 4407:2015 - Section 3

Methods of Testing Road Aggregates – Laboratory Tests

- 3.1 The water content of aggregate
- 3.2 The cone penetration limit
- 3.3 The plastic limit
- 3.4 The plasticity index
- 3.5 The clay index
- 3.6 The sand equivalent
- 3.7 The solid density of aggregate particles
 - 3.7.1 Pycnometer method for particles passing the 19.0 mm test sieve
 - 3.7.2 Immersion in water method for coarse aggregate
- 3.8 Particle size distribution
 - 3.8.1 Preferred method by wet sieving
 - 3.8.2 Subsidiary method by dry sieving
- 3.9 The cleanness value of coarse aggregate
- 3.10 The crushing resistance of coarse aggregate under a specified load
- 3.11 The weathering quality index of coarse aggregate
- 3.12 The abrasion resistance of aggregate by use of the Los Angeles machine
- 3.13 The size and shape of aggregate particles
- 3.14 The broken faces content of aggregate
- 3.15 The California bearing ratio (CBR)

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The following tests in accordance with NZS 4407:2015 - Section 4

Methods of Testing Road Aggregates – Field Tests

- 4.1 The density of compacted aggregate – sand replacement method
- 4.2 The field water content and field dry density of compacted materials – method using a nuclear moisture-density gauge – direct transmission
- 4.3 The field water content and field dry density of compacted materials – method using a nuclear moisture-density gauge – backscatter mode

The following tests in accordance with AS Standards

- AS 1141.14 Particle shape, by proportional caliper
- AS 1141.15 Flakiness index
- AS 1141.22 Wet/dry strength variation

The following tests in accordance with ASTM Standards

- C127-24 Relative Density (Specific Gravity) and Absorption of Coarse Aggregate
- C128-22 Relative Density (Specific Gravity) and Absorption of Fine Aggregate
- C131/C131M-20 Resistance to Degradation of Small-Size Coarse Aggregate by Abrasion and Impact in the Los Angeles Machine
- C535-16(2024) Resistance to Degradation of Large-Size Coarse Aggregate by Abrasion and Impact in the Los Angeles
- D4791-19(2023) Flat Particles, Elongated Particles, or Flat and Elongated Particles in Coarse Aggregate
- D5874-24 Impact Value (IV) of a Soil

The following tests in accordance with other methods specified

- NZTA T19 Indirect Tensile Strength Testing of Modified and Bound Pavement Materials
- NZTA T20 Ethylene Glycol Accelerated Weathering Test


4.04 Concrete

The following tests in accordance with NZS 3112.1:1986

- Section 3 Sampling freshly mixed concrete
- Section 4 Density (unit mass), yield, cement content, and air content (gravimetric) of concrete
- Section 5 Slump of concrete
- Section 9 Air content of fresh concrete by the application of pressure
- Section 11 Spread of concrete

The following tests in accordance with NZS 3112.2:1986

- Section 3 Moulding and curing concrete test cylinders

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- Section 4 Capping cylindrical concrete specimens
- Section 5 Moulding and curing concrete beams for flexural tests
- Section 6 Compressive strength of moulded concrete cylinders
- Section 7 Flexural tensile strength of concrete
- Section 8 Splitting tensile strength of moulded concrete cylinders
- Section 9 Strength in compression of drilled concrete cores
- Section 10 Statistical analysis of strength test results

The following tests in accordance with NZS 3112.3:1986

- Section 5 Density of hardened concrete specimens

The following tests in accordance with NZS 3112.4:1986

- Section 5 Moulding, curing and testing grout test cylinders

The following tests in accordance with ASTM Standards

- C109/C109M-24 Compressive Strength of Hydraulic Cement Mortars (Using 50 mm [2 in.] Cube Specimens)

4.08 Soils

The following tests in accordance with NZS 4402:1986

Soil Classification tests

- Test 2.1 Determination of the water content
- Test 2.2 Determination of the liquid limit
- Test 2.3 Determination of the plastic limit
- Test 2.4 Determination of the plasticity index
- Test 2.5 Determination of the cone penetration limit
- Test 2.6 Determination of the linear shrinkage
- 2.7 Determination of the solid density of soil particles
 - Test 2.7.1 Method for coarse, medium and fine soils
 - Test 2.7.2 Method for medium and fine soils
- 2.8 Determination of the particle-size distribution
 - Test 2.8.1 Standard method by wet sieving
 - Test 2.8.2 Subsidiary method by dry sieving
 - Test 2.8.4 Subsidiary method for fine soils (hydrometer method)

Soil Chemical tests

- 3.1 Determination of the organic matter content
 - Test 3.1.2 Subsidiary method by ignition
- 3.4 Detection of presence of allophane in soils

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Soil Compaction tests

- 4.1 Determination of the dry density/water content relationship
 - Test 4.1.1 NZ standard compaction test
 - Test 4.1.2 NZ heavy compaction test
 - Test 4.1.3 NZ vibrating hammer compaction test

Soil Density tests

- 5.1 Determination of the density of soil
 - Test 5.1.1 Sand replacement method for the determination of the in situ density
 - Test 5.1.3 Sampling tube method for the determination of the in situ density

Soil Strength tests

- 6.1 Determination of the California Bearing Ratio (CBR)
 - Test 6.1.1 Standard laboratory method for remoulded specimens
 - Test 6.1.2 Standard laboratory method for undisturbed specimens
- 6.3 Determination of the unconfined compressive strength of cohesive soil
 - Test 6.3.1 Standard method using laboratory apparatus

The following tests in accordance with other methods specified

NZGS Guideline for hand held shear vane test - 2001 Vane shear strength of a cohesive soil using hand held shear vane

4.15 Activities by Seconded Personnel

(a) Sampling

(i) Aggregates

- NZS 3111 Section 5 Sampling aggregate
- NZS 4407 Section 2 Sampling road aggregates

(iii) Fresh concrete

- NZS 3112.1 Section 3 Sampling freshly mixed concrete

(b) Field tests on fresh concrete

- NZS 3112.1 Section 5 Slump of concrete
- NZS 3112.1 Section 11 Spread of concrete
- NZS 3112.2 Section 3 Moulding and curing concrete test cylinders

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