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The need to control volume change induced primarily by temperature change in mass concrete often requires thermal control of concrete. This report reviews these thermal control methods such as precooling, postcooling, and insulating systems. A simplified method for computing the temperature of freshly mixed concrete

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cooled by various systems is also presented.

**Keywords:** cement content; coarse aggregate; creep; formwork; heat of hydration; mass concrete; modulus of elasticity; precooling; pozzolan; restraint; specific heat; strain; stress; temperature rise; tensile strength; thermal conductivity; thermal diffusivity; thermal expansion; thermal gradient; thermal shock.

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