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PREFACE

This Standard was prepared by the Standards Australia Committee BD-090, Bridge Design, in response to numerous requests from industry, designers and representatives in the field of Bridge Design, especially those in the area of rehabilitation and strengthening of existing bridges.

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The requirements of the AS(AS/NZS) 5100 series are based on the principles of structural mechanics and knowledge of material properties, for both the conceptual and detailed design, to achieve acceptable probabilities that the bridge or associated structure being designed will not become unfit for use during its design life.

The objectives of the AS(AS/NZS) 5100 series are to provide nationally acceptable requirements for—

- (a) the design of road, rail, pedestrian and cyclist-path bridges;
- (b) the specific application of concrete, steel, timber and composite construction, which embody principles that may be applied to other materials in association with relevant Standards; and

The objective of this Part (AS 5100.8) is to provide requirements for the assessment of the load capacity, and for the strengthening and rehabilitation of existing bridges.

In line with Standards Australia policy, the words ‘shall’ and ‘may’ are used consistently throughout this Standard to indicate respectively, a mandatory provision and an acceptable or permissible alternative.

Statements expressed in mandatory terms in Notes to tables are deemed to be requirements of this Standard.

The terms ‘normative’ and ‘informative’ have been used in this Standard to define the application of the appendix to which they apply. A ‘normative’ appendix is an integral part of a Standard, whereas an ‘informative’ appendix is only for information and guidance.

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SECTION 1 SCOPE AND GENERAL

1.1 SCOPE

This Standard sets out minimum requirements and procedures to—

- (a) repair or rehabilitate a structure in order to restore it to its original or intended level of service;
- (b) extend the remaining service life of the structure;
- (c) strengthen a structure (because of structural deterioration) to restore its original capacity;
- (d) strengthen a structure to increase its capacity for live load (such as in response to a proposed increase in vehicle loads), barrier loading, collision loading, earthquake loading and other loading;
- (e) change the function of a structure (such as a road bridge to a pedestrian/cyclist bridge);
- (f) widen an existing structure; or
- (g) any combination of the above.

Structures covered in this Part of the AS(AS/NZS) 5100 series include existing bridges (both superstructure and sub-structure) approach slabs, wing walls and buried culverts.

NOTES:

- 1 Rehabilitation or strengthening may not be feasible for those structures that—
 - (a) have substandard horizontal and vertical clearances;
 - (b) have a poor alignment both on the structure and on the approaches;
 - (c) have extensive deterioration of the substructure, including active scour undermining, pronounced seismic vulnerability, and/or questionable foundations;
 - (d) have numerous deficiencies throughout the superstructure and/or substructure;
 - (e) have deficient in situ strength; or
 - (f) have structural systems that are non-redundant or incorporate poor details that require increased maintenance and inspection.
- 2 All the requirements of this Standard may not be applicable to emergency response situations.

1.2 NORMATIVE REFERENCES

The following are the normative documents referenced in this Standard:

NOTE: Documents referenced for informative purposes are listed in the Bibliography.

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| 1012.8.3 | Method 8.3: Methods of making and curing concrete—Mortar and grout specimens |
| 1012.9 | Method 9: Compressive strength tests—Concrete, mortar and grout specimens |
| 1012.14 | Method 14: Method for securing and testing cores from hardened concrete for compressive strength |
| 1012.20.1 | Method 20.1: Determination of chloride and sulfate in hardened concrete and aggregates—Nitric acid extraction method |
| 1012.20.2 | Method 20.2: Determination of water-soluble chloride in aggregates and hardened concrete |
| 1012.21 | Method 21: Determination of water absorption and apparent volume of permeable voids in hardened concrete |
| 1012.24 | Method 24: Determination of the tensile bond strength of concrete—Repairs and strengthening systems |
| 1065 | Non-destructive testing—Ultrasonic testing of carbon and low alloy steel forgings |
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| 1214 | Hot-dip galvanized coatings on threaded fasteners (ISO metric coarse thread series) |
| 1391 | Metallic materials—Tensile testing at ambient temperature |
| 1544 | Methods for impact tests on metals |
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3507.2	Part 2: Radiographic determination of quality of ferrous castings
3799	Liquid membrane-forming curing compounds for concrete
3894	Site testing of protective coatings
3894.3	Method 3: Determination of dry film thickness
3894.9	Method 9: Determination of adhesion
3978	Non-destructive testing—Visual inspection of metal products and components
4361	Guide to lead paint management
4361.1	Part 1: Industrial applications
4544	Non-destructive testing—Eddy current testing for the detection of surface flaws—Ferromagnetic and non-ferromagnetic metallic products
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2041	Buried corrugated metal structures
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1554	Structural steel welding
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1554.4	Part 4: Welding of high strength quenched and tempered steel
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- 2566 Buried flexible pipelines
- 3678 Structural steel—Hot-rolled plates, floorplates and slabs
- 3679 Structural steel (series)
- 3725 Design for installation of buried concrete pipes
- 4058 Precast concrete pipes (pressure and non-pressure)
- 5100 Bridge design
- 5100.6 Part 6: Steel and composite construction

ASTM

- A247 Standard Test Method for Evaluating the Microstructure of Graphite in Iron Castings
- A956 Standard Test Method for Leeb Hardness Testing of Steel Products
- C295 Standard Guide for Petrographic Examination of Aggregates for Concrete
- C597 Standard Test Method for Pulse Velocity Through Concrete
- C805 Standard Test Method for Rebound Number of Hardened Concrete
- C1383 Standard Test Method for Measuring the P-Wave Speed and the Thickness of Concrete Plates Using the Impact-Echo Method
- D4788 Standard Test Method for Detecting Delaminations in Bridge Decks Using Infrared Thermography
- E407 Standard Practice for Microetching Metals and Alloys
- E1139 Standard Practice for Continuous Monitoring of Acoustic Emission from Metal Pressure Boundaries

BS

- 6319 Testing of resin and polymer/cement compositions for use in construction
- 6319-2 Part 2: Method for measurement of compressive strength
- 6319-3 Part 3: Methods for measurement of modulus of elasticity in flexure and flexural strength
- 6319-7 Part 7: Method for measurement of tensile strength

1.3 DEFINITIONS

For the purposes of this Standard, the definitions in AS 5100.1 and those below apply.

1.3.1 Aerial weight

The weight of active fibre used for strengthening, not including fibres used to hold the active fibre together, measured in grams per square metre (g/m^2).

1.3.2 Alkali aggregate reaction

Disruptive chemical reaction within the concrete matrix between the alkali hydroxides (sodium and potassium) and susceptible aggregates (characterized by unstable silica minerals) in the presence of moisture, which produces an expansive alkali silica gel which subsequently exerts excessive tensile stresses that results in cracking of the concrete structure.

1.3.3 Anode

A metal that is placed in or in contact with an electrolyte and connected to the steel reinforcement to apply cathodic protection (CP) to a reinforced concrete structure.