

Eurocode 6 — Design of masonry structures —

Part 2: Design considerations, selection of materials and execution of masonry

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National foreword

This British Standard is the UK implementation of EN 1996-2:2006, incorporating corrigendum September 2009. It supersedes DD ENV 1996-2:2001 which is withdrawn.

The start and finish of text introduced or altered by corrigendum is indicated in the text by tags. Text altered by CEN corrigendum September 2009 is indicated in the text by **AC1** **AC1**.

The structural Eurocodes are divided into packages by grouping Eurocodes for each of the main materials, concrete, steel, composite concrete and steel, timber, masonry and aluminium. This is to enable a common date of withdrawal (DOW) for all the relevant parts that are needed for a particular design. The conflicting national standards will be withdrawn at the end of the co-existence period, after all the EN Eurocodes of a package are available.

Following publication of the EN, there is a period allowed for national calibration during which the National Annex is issued, followed by a co-existence period of a maximum three years. During the co-existence period Member States will be encouraged to adapt their national provisions.

At the end of this co-existence period, the conflicting parts of national standard(s) will be withdrawn.

In the UK, the corresponding national standards are:

- BS 5628-1:1992, *Code of practice for use of masonry. Structural use of unreinforced masonry*
- BS 5628-2:2000, *Code of practice for use of masonry. Structural use of reinforced and prestressed masonry*
- BS 5628-3:2001, *Code of practice for use of masonry. Materials and components, design and workmanship*

and based on this transition period, these standards will be withdrawn/ revised on a date to be announced, but at the latest by March 2010.

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A list of organizations represented on this subcommittee can be obtained on request to its secretary.

Where a normative part of this EN allows for a choice to be made at the national level, the range and possible choice will be given in the normative text, and a note will qualify it as a Nationally Determined Parameter (NDP). NDPs can be a specific value for a factor, a specific level or class, a particular method or a particular application rule if several are proposed in the EN.

To enable EN 1996-2 to be used in the UK, the NDPs will be published in a National Annex, which will be made available by BSI in due course, after public consultation has taken place.

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