



Standard Specification for Prefabricated Masonry Panels¹

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1. Scope*

1.1 This specification covers the structural design and quality control of fabrication for load-bearing and non-load-bearing prefabricated masonry panels. Methods of prefabrication, field erection, and jointing are not covered in this specification.

1.2 The values stated in inch-pound units are to be regarded as standard. The values given in parentheses are mathematical conversions to SI units that are provided for information only and are not considered standard.

2. Referenced Documents

2.1 ASTM Standards:²

- C67 Test Methods for Sampling and Testing Brick and Structural Clay Tile
- C109/C109M Test Method for Compressive Strength of Hydraulic Cement Mortars (Using 2-in. or [50-mm] Cube Specimens)
- C140 Test Methods for Sampling and Testing Concrete Masonry Units and Related Units
- C270 Specification for Mortar for Unit Masonry
- C476 Specification for Grout for Masonry
- C780 Test Method for Preconstruction and Construction Evaluation of Mortars for Plain and Reinforced Unit Masonry
- C1019 Test Method for Sampling and Testing Grout
- C1180 Terminology of Mortar and Grout for Unit Masonry
- C1232 Terminology of Masonry
- C1314 Test Method for Compressive Strength of Masonry Prisms
- C1357 Test Methods for Evaluating Masonry Bond Strength
- C1717 Test Methods for Conducting Strength Tests of Masonry Wall Panels

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² For referenced ASTM standards, visit the ASTM website, www.astm.org, or contact ASTM Customer Service at service@astm.org. For *Annual Book of ASTM Standards* volume information, refer to the standard's Document Summary page on the ASTM website.

E518 Test Methods for Flexural Bond Strength of Masonry

2.2 Other Standards:

TMS 402/ACI 530/ASCE 5 Building Code Requirements for Masonry Structures³

TMS 602/ACI 530.1/ASCE 6 Specification for Masonry Structures³

3. Terminology

3.1 The terms used in this specification are identified in Terminologies C1180 and C1232.

4. Materials and Manufacture

4.1 *Masonry*—Masonry units, mortar, grout, reinforcement, anchors, ties, and accessories shall conform to TMS 602/ACI 530.1/ASCE 6.

5. Structural Design

5.1 *General*—Structural design of panels shall be performed in accordance with the provisions of the applicable local building code and the requirements of TMS 402/ACI 530/ASCE 5. Structural design of panels shall consider all loading and restraint conditions from initial fabrication to in-service conditions in the completed structure, including storage, transportation, and erection. The design loads shall be of the type and magnitude required by the applicable building code. Panels and connections required to resist wind, seismic, or other dynamic loads shall be designed to resist the required positive and negative forces in all directions. The joints between dissimilar materials within each panel, between panels, and between panels and their structural supports shall be designed to accommodate differential movement and deflections of each material, panel, and adjacent building elements.

5.2 *Lifting Devices*—Lifting devices and their connections to the panels shall have an ultimate capacity of four times the dead weight of the appropriate portion of the panel. Inclination of the lifting forces shall be considered.

6. Dimensions and Permissible Variations

6.1 *Standard Dimensions*—The standard nominal widths and heights of the panels shall be in multiples of nominal

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*A Summary of Changes section appears at the end of this standard