Lesson 1

INTRODUCTION

• Requirements of Part 1203
  – Provisions shall be made for inspection of the following ...

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Building Permits

• 1203.3(a)(1) Building Permits
  – required for work that must conform to the Code
• Building Permit Exemptions
  – Must be adopted in the local regulation
  – Does not exempt applicant from meeting Code requirements when applicable

Construction Documents

• Construction documents shall not be accepted unless:
  – Meet State Education requirements
  – Sufficient detail and clarity
  – Substantiate the work is code compliant
  – Site plan
    • Existing buildings, wells, septic tanks, location of work, distances

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Why do we Inspect?

• Ensure compliance with the approved plans
• Ensure that the owner gets what they paid for
• Control or manage the activities to assist the construction process
• Record the process

Required Inspections

• 1203.3(b)(1) work done under a permit shall remain exposed until inspected
• Permit holder shall notify CEO when work is ready to be inspected

• 1203.3(b)(2) required inspections:
Construction Inspections

- Provisions shall be made for inspection of the following ...
  (i) work site prior to the issuance of a permit;
  (ii) footing and foundation;
  (iii) preparation for concrete slab;
  (iv) framing;
  (v) building systems, including underground and rough-in;
  (vi) fire resistant construction;
  (vii) fire resistant penetrations;
  (viii) solid fuel burning heating appliances, chimneys, flues or gas vents;
  (ix) energy code compliance; and
  (x) a final inspection after all work has been completed.
Concrete Placement

Finished Slab

After Inspection

- 1203.3(3) notify permit holder if work is satisfactory or not
- Work not in compliance remains exposed until corrected, reinspected and found to be satisfactory

Common Errors

- Failure to properly identify soil conditions and bearing capacity
- Design based solely on soil strength
- Failure to create uniform bearing conditions
- Over excavation
- Footing concrete placed on frozen ground

More Errors

- Footing concrete placed in mud
- Lack of reinforcement at steps
- Unprotected footing drains
- Uncontrolled foundation backfill
- Allowing deep clay deposits to dry

Course Goals

- Develop an awareness of soil load bearing capacities
- Review Code requirements for footings and foundation spaces
- Explore various types of foundation walls
- Review inspection requirements for Concrete and Masonry Construction
Lesson 2

SOILS

“No big thing, the builder said the house would do a little settling.”

Foundation Requirements

- R401.2
  - Must carry all loads
  - Transmit loads
  - Be supported by proper soils
    - fill sections must be designed, installed and tested per accepted engineering practice

How do we fix this?

Soil Tests

R401.4
- If soils are known to be of poor quality
- If soil conditions are unknown
  - soils testing by an approved agency shall be required to determine soil bearing values for the site

Presumptive Values

In lieu of a full geotechnical evaluation the load bearing values in table R401.4.1 shall be assumed

Foundation and Soil Investigations

- Purpose is to classify soil to determine its bearing properties
- Typical, known soils - just classify
- INVESTIGATE if
  - Unusual soils/conditions
  - Unknown soil
Investigation Methods

- Test pits
- Penetrometer
- Soil boring and sampling
- Subsurface explorations
- Additional studies

Investigations

The following comes from the soil engineer’s commentary:

- Proposed Building Foundation: recommended to be continuous strip-column footings and individual column footings, as needed.
- Exterior strip-column footings are suggested to include excavating a foundation trench that is centered about the wall-column centerline.
- Exterior footings are suggested to extend to a minimum depth of four feet, or as required by local code, below adjacent exterior ground surface.
- Discontinuous or “jump” footings are not recommended.
- Where needed, step footings, should have a rise to run ratio of 1:2.

Soil Borings

Soil Boring Report

- Soil Engineer’s report must be followed
  – Incorporated into working drawings
- Discrepancies must be addressed
  – Corrections required
Removal of Soils

• R401.5
  – Compressible or shifting soils must be removed to a sufficient depth and width

Expansive Soils

• R403.1.8
  – Foundations and floor slabs for buildings located on expansive soils shall be designed in accordance with section 1805.8 of the Building Code of New York State
  • Exception-systems which have performed adequately in similar soil conditions

Foundations on Expansive Soils

Table 5.1: Properties of Soils Classified According to the Unified Soil Classification System

Slab Footing

New York State Department of State
Foundations on Expansive Soils

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Lesson 3

FOOTINGS

As you enter site remember to check

- For copy of prints on site
- Posted building permit
- Setback distances
- Topography of site
- Soil conditions on site

Setting the forms

- Forms must be set on undisturbed soil
- Must be sized as shown on prints
- Footings must be set at the proper elevation
- Footing top surface must be level
- Bottom of footing must have square edges
- Bottom of footings must be within 10 degrees of level or stepped footings will be required

Check for

- Proper footing width
- Proper footing depth
- Reinforcing bar size
- Reinforcing bar placement

Wall Support

- R403.1
  - All exterior walls shall be supported by continuous footings
  - Footing must be sized to support all loads based on the soil characteristics
  - Footings must be on undisturbed natural soil or engineered fill

Section R403.1.1
Minimum Footing Size

- Spread footings
  - Minimum 6” thick
- Width (W)
  - Table R403.1
- Projection (P)
  - Minimum 2”
  - Max. thickness of footing
- Pier footing size
  - Based on tributary loads

Figure 403.1(1)
Other Footing Requirements: Pier and Column Requirements

- Sizes based on tributary load and allowable soil pressure
- Tributary load
  - The load that the column supports
- Soil load-bearing value
- Tributary load ÷ soil load bearing value = minimum SF size of column footing

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Tributary Load 6,000 lbs.

What is the minimum SF size of column footing?

6,000 ÷ 1,500 = 4 SF

If footing is 4 SF and column is 4 inches, what is the minimum thickness of the footing?

T = 10 inches

Soil load bearing value 1500 lbs

BC Footing Design

- Minimum dimensions based on
  - Building Code or designer’s specifications
  - Load-bearing value of soil
  - Material used
  - Width of foundation wall
- W = width of footing
- T = thickness of footing
- P = Projection on either side of foundation wall

BC Footing Design

- ...so designed that the allowable bearing capacity of the soil is not exceeded.
- The minimum width of footings shall be 12 inches. See 1805.4.1
- The minimum thickness of footings shall be 8 inches. * See 1805.4.2.3
- Footings in expansive soils... designed in accordance with... See 1805.8

Types of Footing: NONE at ALL... Slab-on-Grade

- May be proposed due to regional preference
- May be REQUIRED due to soil characteristics

Exterior Footing Requirements: Depth Below Frost

- Placed below frost line
  - Prevents frost heave and settlement
  - Exceptions:
    - Frost-protected footings
    - Footings/foundations on solid rock
    - Free-standing buildings
      - Meeting all 3 conditions
  - Never placed on frozen ground
Footings on or Adjacent to Slopes

- Requirements for buildings on or adjacent to slopes steeper than 33.3%

See 1805.3

When “Common” Won’t Work: Deep Foundation Systems

- Distance to usable stratum too great for shallow foundation
- Situation with high potential for erosion makes shallow foundation undesirable

Types of Footings: Deep Foundation System - Piles

- Specialized footing
  - Transfers load through poor soil to deeper soil of adequate strength
  - Usually pre-cast and driven
- Materials used for pile footings
  - Cast-in-place concrete
  - Pre-cast concrete
  - Steel H piles
  - Treated wood
Types of Footings: Piers

- Specialized footing
  - Short columns below grade transmit load to footing
- Several advantages over conventional foundations

Jump Footings & Grade Beams

REQUIRE ENGINEERING
Lesson 4

**FOUNDATIONS**

Foundation Wall Design

- **If Concrete or Masonary**
  - May be ENGINEERED (Chapter 19 or 21)
  - Within certain LIMITATIONS, a prescriptive design is permitted
  - Laterally supported top and bottom
  - Tables 1805.5(1) through 1805.5(5)
  - If Seismic Design Category C or worse ...
  
  ADDITIONAL limitations apply
  
  See 1805.5.5

**If the Prescriptive Method is Allowed, 1805.5.1 through 1805.5.4**

- Foundation wall thickness based on
  - What it supports
  - The soil’s characteristics
  - Wall’s depth and height
- Materials used in the foundation
  - Reinforcing and compressive strengths
- Reinforcement alternatives

“Unbalanced Backfill”

- The difference in height of the exterior and interior finish ground levels.
- Where an interior concrete slab is provided, height is measured from the exterior finish ground level to the top of the interior concrete slab.

Tables in Building and Residential Codes

- Should not be used if any of the following conditions exist:
  - Soils which are unidentified
  - Fill sections that were not engineered or properly compacted
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Footnotes

• d. Vertical reinforcement, when required, shall be placed nearest the inside face of the wall...
  Concrete cover for reinforcement... shall not be less than 1 1/2 inches for No. 5 bars and smaller, and not less than 2 inches for larger bars.

• l. Where vertical reinforcement is required, horizontal reinforcement shall be provided in accordance with the requirements of Section R404.4.6.2 for ICF foundation walls.

404.4.6.2 Horizontal reinforcement

• When vertical reinforcement is required, ... foundation walls up to 8 feet in height shall have a minimum of one continuous No. 4 horizontal reinforcing bar placed at 48 inches on center with one bar located within 12 inches of the top of the wall story. Foundation walls greater than 8 feet in height shall have a minimum of one continuous No. 4 horizontal reinforcing bar placed at 36 inches on center with one bar located within 12 inches of the top of the wall story.
Insulated Concrete Forms (ICF)

“Lego's” for big kids?

Insulated Concrete Forms (ICF)

- Prescriptive provisions are found in the Residential Code:
  - R404.4 Insulating concrete form foundation walls. (page 70)
    Three types of ICF are listed in the RCNY5:
    R404.4.2 Flat ICF wall systems
    R404.4.3 Waffle-grid ICF and
    R404.4.4 Screen-grid ICF
  - R611 Insulating Concrete Form Wall Construction (page 172)
    provides additional requirements. (LOTS of them!)

Insulated Concrete Forms (ICF)

- Tables R404.4(1) through R404.4(5) (pages 72-76)
  - Provide similar requirements to those for traditional removable form systems.
  - Based on wall height, unbalanced backfill and soil classification.
  - Footnote b permits the use of a manufacturer's table in all categories of ICF.

Insulated Concrete Forms (ICF)

- R 611 Insulating Concrete Form Wall Construction

Foundation Drainage
Lesson 5

CONCRETE

What is Concrete?

- Paste + Aggregates = CONCRETE
- “Cement paste” MUST cover the aggregate and fill the voids

Residential Code

- R103.4 Workmanship.
- Repairs, maintenance work, alterations or installations which are caused directly or indirectly by the enforcement of this code shall be executed and installed in a workmanlike manner and installed in accordance with this code and the manufacturer’s installation instructions.

Concrete

- R402.2
  - Compressive strength
  - Air entrainment
- Table R402.2 Minimum Specified Compressive Strength of Concrete

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<th>TYPE OR LOCATION OF CONCRETE CONSTRUCTION</th>
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<td>Basement walls, foundations and other concrete not exposed to the weather</td>
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Table R402.2 footnotes

- For SI: 1 pound per square inch = 6.895 kPa.
  a. Strength at 28 days psi.
  b. See Table R301.2(1) for weathering potential.
  c. Concrete in these locations that may be subject to freezing and thawing during construction shall be air-entrained concrete in accordance with Footnote d.
  d. Concrete shall be air-entrained. Total air content (percent by volume of concrete) shall be not less than 5 percent or more than 7 percent.
  e. See Section R402.2 for maximum cementitious materials content.
  f. For garage floors with a steel troweled finish, reduction of the total air content (percent by volume of concrete) to not less than 3 percent is permitted if the specified compressive strength of the concrete is increased to not less than 4,000 psi.

Types of Portland Cement

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<td>II – Moderate</td>
<td>Moderate sulfate resistance and heat of hydration</td>
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<td>III – High early strength</td>
<td>High strengths within 7 days</td>
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<td>IV – Low heat of hydration</td>
<td>Minimizes hydration heat</td>
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<td>V – Sulfate resisting</td>
<td>Resists severe sulfate exposure</td>
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<td>IA, IIA, or IIIA – are air entrained</td>
<td>Improves resistance to freeze/thaw and deicing chemicals</td>
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Concrete Admixtures

- Specified by the designer
- Added for the beneficial effect immediately before or during mixing
- Classified according to function:
  - Air-entraining
  - Water-reducing
  - Retarding
  - Accelerating
  - Super plasticizers
  - Specialty

Concrete Air Entrainment

- For freeze/thaw and chemical deicing resistance
- Improves workability
- Tiny “bubbles” relieve pressures
- Usually 5% - 8% of concrete volume

Why Test Concrete?

- Material is as specified
- Estimate actual in-place strength
- Verifies adequacy of mix proportions
- Quality control
- Assures specific properties are obtained

Concrete Test Methods

- Fresh
  - Slump
  - Air content
  - Unit weight
  - Compressive strength
- Hardened
  - Various strength tests
Slump Test
A measure of consistency and workability

- Described in ASTM C143
- Slump is the difference between the height of the mold and the height of the concrete specimen

Types of slump concrete:
(a) True slump
(b) Shear slump
(c) Collapse slump

Air Content

- Pressure Method (ASTM C231) is a common method
- Measures concrete volume change when subjected to a given pressure

Casting Cylinders

Compressive Strength
An indicator of cured concrete strength

- Test for specified design strength
  - Cylinders broken at 7 and 28 days
- Passing the tests:
  - No test > 500 psi design strength
  - AND average of design strength

Chapter 19 Responsibilities

- Designer
- Plant
- Contractor
- Special Inspector
- Code Enforcement Official

Documentation and Inspection
1901.4 and 1901.5

- Construction documentation for structural concrete
  - Strength, size, location of structural elements and reinforcement
  - Details
- Comply with Chapter 17 for special inspections

Verification: CEO
What to Use: Durability Requirements
Section 1904

- Required concrete properties, such as
  - Air entrainment
  - Water-cementitious materials ratios
  - Compressive strength requirements
- Are based on exposure to...
  - Freezing and thawing conditions
  - Deicing chemicals
  - Sulfate-containing solutions

Concrete exposed to deicing chemicals

ACI 318, Section 4.2.3 limits amount of Slag, fly ash, silica fume

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Concrete Footings:
Workmanship and Placement

- Strength
- Thickness
- Placement through, under, or in water
- Protection from freezing and water
- Forming

General Principles Of Concrete Placement

- Place continuously and evenly
- Do not promote segregation
- Avoid lateral flow
- Fill forms continuously
- Spade, tamp and vibrate
- Do not retemper concrete
- Protect from extreme hot or cold
- Avoid cold joints

How to Use It: Concrete Quality
1905.1 – 1905.6

Strength and durability ensured through
- Proportioning
- Testing by “Qualified technicians”

How to Use It: Placing
1905.7 – 1905.9

- Equipment and place prepared BEFORE concrete placement
- Mixed
- Conveyed without
  - Separation/loss of materials
  - Delays or interruption

Per appropriate standard:
ACI 318 Section 5.7

Responsibility: Designer
Verification: CEO

Responsibility: Designer and Plant
Verification: Code Enforcement Official
How to Use It: Placing

1905.10

 Depositing considerations:
 • Segregation
 • Placement timing
 • Continuous operation
 • Construction joints
 • Consolidation

Per appropriate standard

Curing Concrete

1905.11 - 1905.13

 • Curing
   – Maintain above 50°F in a moist condition
 • Cold weather requirements
   – Heat/protect
   – Everything free from frost
   – No frozen materials
 • Hot weather requirements
   – Prevent excessive temperatures/water evaporation

Per appropriate standard
Lesson 6

**MASONRY**

Components of Masonry Construction

- Masonry units
- Mortar
- Reinforcement
- Grout
- Accessory Materials

Types of Masonry Units

- Clay masonry units (brick)
- Concrete masonry units (concrete block)
- Stone (artificial shape)
- Rock (natural shape)
- Glass
- Tile (roofing, floor, wall, etc.)
- Adobe (unfired clay)

Strength Properties of CMU’s

- Compressive strength on NET area
  - Voids not considered, only effective area that resists loads
- Typical strength properties for CMU:
  - Compressive strength: 1900 to 6000 psi
  - Tensile strength: 250 to 500 psi

Mortar

- Basic ingredients:
  - Cement
  - Lime
  - Sand
  - Water
  - Admixtures
- ASTM C270 for mortar for masonry

What Mortar Does

- Separates units
- Bonds units
- Provides strength
- Seals against moisture between units
- Equalizes unit size variations
- Seals unit irregularities
How to Use It: Construction
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• 2104.1 Masonry Construction

Chapter 4 – Foundations
Section 403 Footings

• 403.1.4.1 Frost protection. ...buildings and structures shall be protected from frost ...

— Exceptions:
1. ...accessory structures... 600 square feet or less, of LIGHT-FRAMED CONSTRUCTION, ...
2. ...accessory structures... 400 square feet or less, of OTHER THAN LIGHT-FRAMED CONSTRUCTION, ...
3. Decks adjoining but ...

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  — Fill sections that were not engineered or properly compacted
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  — Highly compressive clays
  — Unconfined sands and silts

How to Use It: Cold Weather Construction
2104.3

DURING Construction

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<td>Masonry surfaces</td>
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<td>Enclose and heat to maintain &gt; 32°F, 24 to 48 hours</td>
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* When either the ambient temperature falls below 40°F (4°C) or the temperature of masonry units is below 40°F (4°C).
How to Use It: Hot Weather

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- 2104.4 Hot weather construction provisions, IF
  - Ambient temperature > 90°F AND wind velocity > 8 mph
- 2104.4.3 Fog spraying of brick
- 2104.5 Wetting of brick

The Empirical Method
(Good Enough for Grandpa)

- 8 feet (2438 mm) in height
- Drain surface
- Lateral support... prior to backfilling;
- Length of foundation walls between perpendicular masonry walls or pilasters
- Backfill is granular, soil conditions are nonexpansive; and
- Masonry is laid in running bond using

### TABLE 2109.5.3.1
FOUNDATION WALL CONSTRUCTION

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SUMMARY

- Footings and foundations must be sized to carry loads of the structure
- Bearing capacity of the soil will effect the design of foundation systems
- Seismic category and sites prone to flooding may also effect designs
- All footings and foundations must be inspected to verify they are constructed to the design shown on the approved plans

Responsibility: Contractor
Verification: Code Enforcement Official