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Standard Specification for Ductile Iron Gravity Sewer Pipe¹

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1. Scope

1.1 This specification covers 4 to 64 in. ductile iron gravity sewer pipe, centrifugally cast, with push-on joints. This specification may be used for pipe with other types of joints, as may be agreed upon at the time of purchase.

1.2 This specification covers trench load design procedures for both cement-lined pipe and flexible-lined pipe. Maximum depth of cover tables are included for both types of linings.

1.3 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.

1.4 *This international standard was developed in accordance with internationally recognized principles on standardization established in the Decision on Principles for the Development of International Standards, Guides and Recommendations issued by the World Trade Organization Technical Barriers to Trade (TBT) Committee.*

2. Referenced Documents

2.1 ASTM Standards:²

D2487 Practice for Classification of Soils for Engineering Purposes (Unified Soil Classification System)

D3282 Practice for Classification of Soils and Soil-Aggregate Mixtures for Highway Construction Purposes

E8/E8M Test Methods for Tension Testing of Metallic Materials

E23 Test Methods for Notched Bar Impact Testing of Metallic Materials

2.2 ANSI/AWWA Standards:^{3,4}

C104/A21.4 Cement Mortar Lining for Ductile-Iron Pipe and Fittings

C111/A21.11 Rubber-Gasket Joints for Ductile-Iron Pressure Pipe and Fittings

C150/A21.50 Thickness Design of Ductile-Iron Pipe

C600 Installation of Ductile-Iron Water Mains and Their Appurtenances

2.3 ASCE Standards:⁵

Manuals and Reports on Engineering Practice, No. 37, (WCPF Manual of Practice No. 9), “Design and Construction of Sanitary and Storm Sewers”

2.4 AASHTO Standard:⁶

AASHTO T 99 Standard Method of Test for the Moisture-Density Relations of Soils Using a 5.5 lb (2.5 kg) Rammer and a 12 in. (305 mm) Drop

3. Terminology

3.1 Symbols:

3.1.1 *A*—outside radius of pipe,

$$ft = \frac{D}{24}$$

$$\left(\text{in metres} = \frac{D}{2000} \right)$$

3.1.2 *a*—conversion factor, lb/ft² to psi = 144 (kN/m² to kPa = 1)

3.1.3 *B*—1.5 ft (0.457 m)

3.1.4 *b*—effective pipe length: 36 in. (0.914 m)

3.1.5 *C*—surface load factor, Table 1

3.1.6 *D*—outside diameter, in., Table 2

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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.

³ Available from American National Standards Institute (ANSI), 25 W. 43rd St., 4th Floor, New York, NY 10036, <http://www.ansi.org>.

⁴ Available from American Water Works Association (AWWA), 6666 W. Quincy Ave., Denver, CO 80235, <http://www.awwa.org>.

⁵ Available from American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE), 1801 Alexander Bell Dr., Reston, VA 20191, <http://www.asce.org>.

⁶ Available from American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO), 444 N. Capitol St., NW, Suite 249, Washington, DC 20001, <http://www.transportation.org>.

TABLE 1 Surface Load Factors for Single Truck on Unpaved Road

Depth of Cover, ft	Pipe Size – in.								
	3	4	6	8	10	12	14	16	18
	Surface Load Factor – C								
2.5	0.0589	0.0713	0.1020	0.1328	0.1615	0.1901	0.2178	0.2443	0.2698
3	0.0437	0.0530	0.0759	0.0990	0.1207	0.1424	0.1637	0.1843	0.2044
4	0.0265	0.0321	0.0460	0.0602	0.0736	0.0871	0.1005	0.1136	0.1265
5	0.0176	0.0213	0.0306	0.0401	0.0490	0.0581	0.0672	0.0761	0.0849
6	0.0125	0.0151	0.0217	0.0284	0.0348	0.0413	0.0478	0.0542	0.0606
7	0.0093	0.0113	0.0162	0.0212	0.0260	0.0308	0.0357	0.0405	0.0453
8	0.0072	0.0087	0.0125	0.0164	0.0201	0.0238	0.0276	0.0313	0.0350
9	0.0057	0.0069	0.0099	0.0130	0.0160	0.0190	0.0219	0.0249	0.0279
10	0.0046	0.0056	0.0081	0.0106	0.0130	0.0154	0.0179	0.0203	0.0227
12	0.0032	0.0039	0.0056	0.0074	0.0091	0.0108	0.0125	0.0142	0.0159
14	0.0024	0.0029	0.0042	0.0055	0.0067	0.0080	0.0092	0.0105	0.0117
16	0.0018	0.0022	0.0032	0.0042	0.0051	0.0061	0.0071	0.0080	0.0090
20	0.0012	0.0014	0.0020	0.0027	0.0033	0.0039	0.0045	0.0052	0.0058
24	0.0008	0.0010	0.0014	0.0019	0.0023	0.0027	0.0032	0.0036	0.0040
28	0.0006	0.0007	0.0010	0.0014	0.0017	0.0020	0.0023	0.0026	0.0030
32	0.0005	0.0006	0.0008	0.0011	0.0013	0.0015	0.0018	0.0020	0.0023
Depth of Cover, ft	Pipe Size – in.								
	20	24	30	36	42	48	54	60	64
	Surface Load Factor – C								
2.5	0.2941	0.3390	0.3962	0.4437	0.4813	0.5115	0.5366	0.5488	0.5592
3	0.2237	0.2602	0.3085	0.3507	0.3857	0.4153	0.4412	0.4543	0.4657
4	0.1391	0.1635	0.1972	0.2284	0.2559	0.2808	0.3040	0.3164	0.3277
5	0.0936	0.1106	0.1347	0.1576	0.1786	0.1982	0.2173	0.2278	0.2377
6	0.0669	0.0793	0.0970	0.1143	0.1304	0.1458	0.1612	0.1698	0.1781
7	0.0500	0.0594	0.0730	0.0863	0.0988	0.1111	0.1235	0.1306	0.1374
8	0.0387	0.0461	0.0567	0.0672	0.0773	0.0871	0.0973	0.1031	0.1088
9	0.0309	0.0367	0.0453	0.0538	0.0620	0.0700	0.0784	0.0833	0.0880
10	0.0251	0.0299	0.0370	0.0440	0.0507	0.0574	0.0644	0.0685	0.0725
12	0.0176	0.0210	0.0259	0.0309	0.0357	0.0405	0.0456	0.0486	0.0515
14	0.0130	0.0155	0.0192	0.0229	0.0265	0.0301	0.0339	0.0362	0.0384
16	0.0100	0.0119	0.0147	0.0176	0.0204	0.0232	0.0262	0.0279	0.0297
20	0.0064	0.0076	0.0095	0.0113	0.0131	0.0149	0.0169	0.0181	0.0192
24	0.0045	0.0053	0.0066	0.0079	0.0091	0.0104	0.0118	0.0126	0.0134
28	0.0033	0.0039	0.0049	0.0058	0.0067	0.0077	0.0087	0.0093	0.0099
32	0.0025	0.0030	0.0037	0.0044	0.0052	0.0059	0.0067	0.0071	0.0076