#### PART 1 GENERAL

## 1.1 SECTION INCLUDES

- A. Formwork for cast-in place concrete, bracing and anchorage.
- B. Openings for other work.
- C. Form accessories.
- D. Form stripping.

#### 1.2 RELATED SECTIONS

A. Section 03300 - Cast-In-Place Concrete

#### 1.3 REFERENCES

- A. ACI 318 Building Code Requirements for Reinforced Concrete.
- B. ACI 347 Recommended Practice For Concrete Formwork.
- C. PS 1 Construction and Industrial Plywood.

## 1.4 DESIGN REQUIREMENTS

A. Design, engineer and construct formwork, shoring and bracing to conform to design and code requirements; resultant concrete to conform to required shape, line and dimension.

### 1.5 SUBMITTALS FOR REVIEW

- A. Shop Drawings: Indicate pertinent dimensions, materials, bracing, and arrangement of joints and ties.
- B. Product Data: Provide data on void form materials and installation requirements.

# 1.6 QUALITY ASSURANCE

A. Perform Work in accordance with ACI 347, 301, 318, State of North Carolina Department of Transportation standards.

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## 1.7 REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS

 Conform to applicable local code for design, fabrication, erection and removal of formwork.

## 1.8 MOCK-UP

- A. For review of the Project Manager: Conduct mock-up of concrete formwork for review of the Project Manager.
- B. Mock-up may not remain as part of the Work.

## PART 2 PRODUCTS

#### 2.1 WOOD FORM MATERIALS

A. Form Materials: At the discretion of the Contractor. Must be new material, void of defects and cuts.

#### 2.2 PREFABRICATED FORMS

- A. Manufacturers:
  - 1. Company specializing in Products with minimum ten years experience.
- B. Preformed Steel Forms: Minimum 16 gage matched, tight fitting, stiffened to support weight of concrete without deflection detrimental to tolerances and appearance of finished surfaces.
- C. Preformed Plastic Forms: Thermoplastic polystyrene form liner, tight fitting, stiffened to support weight of concrete without deflection detrimental to tolerances and appearance of finished surfaces.
- D. Glass Fiber Fabric Reinforced Plastic Forms: Matched, tight fitting, stiffened to support weight of concrete without deflection detrimental to tolerances and appearance of finished concrete surfaces.
- E. Pan Type: Steel or Glass fiber of size and profile required.
- F. Tubular Column Type: Round, spirally wound laminated fiber material, surface treated with release agent, non-reusable, of sizes required.

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G. Void Forms: Moisture resistant treated paper faces, biodegradable, structurally sufficient to support weight of wet concrete mix until initial set; 2 inches thick.

#### 2.3 FORMWORK ACCESSORIES

- A. Form Ties: Removable Snap-off type, metal adjustable length, cone type, with waterproofing washer, free of defects that could leave holes larger than 1 inch concrete surface.
- B. Form Release Agent: Colorless mineral oil, which will not stain concrete, or absorb moisture, or impair natural bonding or color characteristics of coating intended for use on concrete.
- C. Corners: Filleted Chamfered, type; ¼ x ¼ inch; maximum possible lengths.
- D. Dovetail Anchor Slot: Galvanized steel, 22 gage thick, foam filled release tape sealed slots, anchors for securing to concrete formwork
- E. Flashing Reglets: Galvanized steel 22 gage thick, longest possible lengths, with alignment splines for joints, foam filled, release tape sealed slots, anchors for securing to concrete formwork.
- F. Nails, Spikes, Lag Bolts, Through Bolts, Anchorages: Sized as required, of sufficient strength and character to maintain formwork in place while placing concrete.

### PART 3 EXECUTION

- 3.1 EXAMINATION
- A. Verify lines, levels and centers before proceeding with formwork.
- 3.2 EARTH FORMS
  - A. Hand trim sides and bottom of earth forms. Remove loose soil prior to placing concrete.
- 3.3 ERECTION FORMWORK
  - A. Erect formwork, shoring and bracing to achieve design requirements, in accordance with requirements of ACI 301.
  - B. Provide bracing to ensure stability of formwork. Shore or strengthen formwork subject to overstressing by construction loads.

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- C. Arrange and assemble formwork to permit dismantling and stripping. Do not damage concrete during stripping. Permit removal of remaining principal shores.
- D. Align joints and make watertight. Keep form joints to a minimum.
- E. Obtain approval before framing openings in structural members which are not indicated on Drawings.
- F. Provide fillet and chamfer strips on external corners.
- G. Install void forms in accordance with manufacturer's recommendations. Protect forms from moisture or crushing.
- H. Coordinate this section with other sections of work, which require attachment of components to formwork.
- I. If formwork is placed after reinforcement resulting in insufficient concrete cover over reinforcement before proceeding, request instructions from Designer.

#### 3.4 APPLICATION - FORM RELEASE AGENT

- A. Apply form release agent on formwork in accordance with manufacturer's recommendations.
- B. Apply prior to placement of reinforcing steel, anchoring devices, and embedded items.
- C. Do not apply form release agent where concrete surfaces will receive special finishes or applied coverings, which are affected by agent. Soak inside surfaces of untreated forms with clean water. Keep surfaces coated prior to placement of concrete.

### 3.5 INSERTS, EMBEDDED PARTS, AND OPENINGS

- A. Provide formed openings where required for items to be embedded in passing through concrete work.
- B. Locate and set in place items, which will be cast directly into concrete.
- C. Coordinate with work of other sections in forming and placing openings, slots, reglets, recesses, sleeves, bolts, anchors, other inserts, and components of other Work.
- D. Install accessories in accordance with manufacturer's instructions, straight, level, and plumb. Ensure items are not disturbed during concrete placement.

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- E. Install water stops in accordance with manufacturer's instructions continuous without displacing reinforcement. [Heat seal joints watertight.
- F. Provide temporary ports or openings in formwork where required to facilitate cleaning and inspection. Locate openings at bottom of forms to allow flushing water to drain.
- G. Close temporary openings with tight fitting panels, flush with inside face of forms, and neatly fitted so joints will not be apparent in exposed concrete surfaces.

#### 3.6 FORM CLEANING

- A. Clean forms as erection proceeds to remove foreign matter within forms.
- B. Clean formed cavities of debris prior to placing concrete.
- C. Flush with water or use compressed air to remove remaining foreign matter. Ensure that water and debris drain to exterior through clean-out ports.
- D. During cold weather, remove ice and snow from within forms. Do not use de-icing salts. Do not use water to clean out forms, unless formwork and concrete construction proceed within heated enclosure. Use compressed air or other means to remove foreign matter.

#### 3.7 FORMWORK TOLERANCES

- A. Construct formwork to maintain tolerances required by ACI 301.
- B. Construct and align formwork for elevator hoist way in accordance with ASME A17.1.
- C. Camber slabs and beams ¼ inch per 10 feet in accordance with ACI 301.

### 3.8 FIELD QUALITY CONTROL

- A. Section 01400 Quality Control: Field inspection and testing.
- B. Inspect erected formwork, shoring, and bracing to ensure that work is in accordance with formwork design, and that supports, fastenings, wedges, ties, and items are secure.
- C. Do not reuse formwork more than 2 times for concrete surfaces to be exposed to view. Do not patch formwork.

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#### 3.9 FORM REMOVAL

- A. Do not remove forms or bracing until concrete has gained sufficient strength to carry its own weight and imposed loads.
- B. Loosen forms carefully. Do not wedge pry bars, hammers, or tools against finish concrete surfaces scheduled for exposure to view.
- C. Store removed forms in manner that surfaces to be in contact with fresh concrete will not be damaged. Discard damaged forms.

END OF SECTION

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