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## **Actions on Structures – Part 1-1: General actions - densities, self-weight, imposed loads for buildings**



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## **Foreword**

This Ethiopian Standard has been prepared under the direction of the Technical Committee for Building structures and elements of building (TC 42) and published by the Ethiopian Standards Agency (ESA).

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## SECTION 1 GENERAL

### 1.1 Scope

(1) ES EN 1991-1-1:2015 gives design guidance and actions for the structural design of buildings and civil engineering works including some geotechnical aspects for the following subjects:

- Densities of construction materials and stored materials;
- Self-weight of construction works;
- Imposed loads for buildings.

(2) Section 4 and Annex A give nominal values for densities of specific building materials, and for additional stored materials. In addition for specific materials the angle of repose is provided.

(3) Section 5 provides methods for the assessment of the characteristic values of self-weight of construction works.

(4) Section 6 gives characteristic values of imposed loads for floors and roofs according to category of use in the following areas in buildings:

- residential, social, commercial and administration areas;
- garage and vehicle traffic areas;
- areas for storage and industrial activities;
- roofs;
- helicopter landing areas.

(5) The loads on traffic areas given in Section 6 refer to vehicles up to a gross vehicle weight of 160 kN. The design for traffic areas for heavy vehicles of more than 160 kN gross weight needs to be agreed with the relevant authority. Further information may be obtained from ES EN 1991-2.

(6) For barriers or walls having the function of barriers, horizontal forces are given in Section 6. Annex B gives additional guidance for vehicle barriers in car parks.

**Note:** Forces due to vehicle impact are specified in ES EN 1991-1-7 and ES EN 1991-2.

### 1.2 Normative References

This Ethiopian Standard incorporates by dated or undated reference provisions from other publications. These normative references are cited at the appropriate places in the text and the publications are listed hereafter. For dated references, subsequent amendments to, or revisions of, any of these publications apply to this Ethiopian Standard only when incorporated in it by amendment or revision. For undated references the latest edition of the publication referred to applies (including amendments).

ISO 3898                      Basis of design of structures - Notations. General symbols

ISO 2394                      General principles on reliability for structures

ISO 8930	General principles on reliability for structures. List of equivalent terms
ES EN 1990:2015	ES 0: Basis of Structural Design
ES EN 1991-1-7:2015 impact and explosions	ES 1: Actions on Structures: Part 1-7: Accidental actions from
ES EN 1991-3:2015 and machinery	ES 1: Actions on Structures: Part 3: Actions induced by cranes

**Note 1:** The following Ethiopian Standards which are published or in preparation are cited in normative clauses :

**Note 2:** The following Ethiopian Standards which are published or in preparation are cited in NOTES to normative clauses :

ES EN 1991-1-4:2015: Actions on structures: Part 1-4: Wind actions

ES EN 1991-1-6:2015: Actions on structures: Part 1-6: Actions during execution

### **1.3 Distinction between Principles and Application Rules**

(1) Depending on the character of the individual clauses, distinction is made in this Part between Principles and Application Rules.

(2) The Principles comprise: -general statements and definitions for which there is no alternative, as well as -requirements and analytical models for which no alternative is permitted unless specifically stated.

(3) The Principles are identified by the letter P following the paragraph number.

(4) The Application Rules are generally recognised rules which comply with the Principles and satisfy their requirements.

(5) It is permissible to use alternative design rules different from the Application Rules given in ES EN 1991-1-1:2015 for works, provided that it is shown that the alternative rules accord with the relevant Principles and are at least equivalent with regard to the structural safety, serviceability and durability which would be expected when using the Ethiopian Building Code Standards.

**Note:** If an alternative design rule is substituted for an Application Rule, the resulting design cannot be claimed to be wholly in accordance with ES EN 1991-1-1:2015 although the design will remain in accordance with the Principles of ES EN 1991-1-1:2015. When ES EN 1991-1-1:2015 is used in respect of a property listed in an Annex Z of a product standard or an ES ETAG.

(6) In this Part the Application Rules are identified by a number in brackets, e.g. as this clause.

### **1.4 Terms and definitions**

For the purposes of this Ethiopian standard, the terms and definitions given in ISO 2394, ISO 3898, ISO 8930 and the following apply. Additionally for the purposes of this standard a basic list of terms and definitions is provided in ES EN 1990:2015, 1.5.

#### 1.4.1 **bulk weight density**

the bulk weight density is the overall weight per unit volume of a material, including a normal distribution of micro-voids, voids and pores

**Note:** In everyday usage this term is frequently abbreviated to “density” (which is strictly mass per unit volume).

#### 1.4.2 **angle of repose**

the angle of repose is the angle which the natural slope of the sides of a heaped pile of loose material makes to the horizontal

#### 1.4.3 **gross weight of vehicle**

the gross weight of a vehicle includes the self-weight of the vehicle together with the maximum weight of the goods it is permitted to carry

#### 1.4.4 **structural elements**

structural elements comprise the primary structural frame and supporting structures.

#### 1.4.5 **non structural elements**

non structural elements are those that include completion and finishing elements connected with the structure, including non-structural parapets. They also include services and machinery fixed permanently to, or within, the structure

#### 1.4.6 **partitions**

non load bearing walls

#### 1.4.7 **movable partitions**

movable partitions are those which can be moved on the floor, be added or removed or re-built at another place

## 1.5 Symbols

(1) For the purposes of this standard, the following symbols apply.

**Note:** The notation used is based on ISO 3898: 1997.

(2) A basic list of symbols is provided in ES EN 1990:2015 clause 1.6 and the additional notations below are specific to this part of ES EN 1991:2015.

### *Latin upper case letters*

A loaded area

$A_0$  basic area

$Q_k$  characteristic value of a variable concentrated load

### *Latin lower case letters*

$g_k$  weight per unit area, or weight per unit length

$n$  number of storeys

$q_k$  characteristic value of a uniformly distributed load, or line load

### *Lower case Greek letters*

$\alpha_A$  reduction factor

$\alpha_n$  reduction factor

$\gamma$  bulk weight density

$\varphi$  dynamic magnification factor

$\Psi_0$  factor for combination value of a variable action, see table A.1.1 of ES EN 1990:2015

$\phi$  angle of repose (degrees)

## SECTION 2 CLASSIFICATION OF ACTIONS

### 2.1 Self-weight

(1) The self-weight of construction works should be classified as a permanent fixed action, see ES EN 1990:2015, 1.5.3 and 4.1.1.

(2) Where this self-weight can vary in time, it should be taken into account by the upper and lower characteristic values (see ES EN 1990:2015, 4.1.2). However, in some cases where it is free (e.g. for movable partitions, see 6.3.1.2(8)), it should be treated as an additional imposed load.

**Note:** This applies in particular when the "permanent" actions may be favourable.

(3)P The loads due to ballast shall be considered as permanent actions and possible redistributions of ballast shall be taken into account in the design, see 5.2.2 (1) and (2).

(4)P The earth loads on roofs and terraces shall be considered as permanent actions.

(5) With regard to 2.1(3)P, the design should consider variations in moisture content and variation in depth, that may be caused by uncontrolled accumulation during the design life of the structure.

**Note:** For detailed information on earth pressures see ES EN 1997.

### 2.2 Imposed loads

(1)P Imposed loads shall be classified as variable free actions, unless otherwise specified in this standard, see ES EN 1990:2015, 1.5.3 and 4.1.1.

(2) When considering the accidental design situation where impact from vehicles or accidental loads from machines may be relevant, these loads should be taken from ES EN 1991-1-7:2015.

(3) Imposed loads should be taken into account as quasi-static actions (see ES EN 1990:2015, 1.5.3.13). The load models may include dynamic effects if there is no risk of resonance or other significant dynamic response of the structure, see ES EN 1992 to ES EN 1998. If resonance effects from synchronised rhythmic movement of people or dancing or jumping may be expected, the load model should be determined for special dynamic analysis.

**Note:** The procedure to be used may be given in the National annex.

(4) When considering forklifts and helicopters, the additional loadings due to masses and inertial forces caused by fluctuating effects should be considered. These effects are taken into account by a dynamic magnification factor  $\phi$  which is applied to the static load values, as shown in expression (6.3).

(5)P Actions which cause significant acceleration of the structure or structural members shall be classified as dynamic actions and shall be considered using a dynamic analysis.

## SECTION 3 DESIGN SITUATIONS

### 3.1 General

(1)P The relevant permanent and imposed loads shall be determined for each design situation identified in accordance with ES EN 1990:2015, 3.2.

### 3.2 Permanent loads

(1) The total self-weight of structural and non-structural members should be taken into account in combinations of actions as a single action.

**Note:** See ES EN 1990:2015 Table A1.2 (B) Note 3.

(2) For areas where it is intended to remove or add structural or non-structural elements, the critical load cases should be taken into account in the design.

(3) The self-weight of new coatings and/or distribution conduits that are intended to be added after execution should be taken into account in design situations (see 5.2).

(4)P The water level shall be taken into account for the relevant design situations.

**Note:** See ES EN 1997.

(5) The source and moisture content of bulk materials should be considered in design situations of buildings used for storage purposes.

**Note:** The values for the densities provided in Annex A are for materials in the dry state.

### 3.3 Imposed loads

#### 3.3.1 General

(1)P For areas which are intended to be subjected to different categories of loadings the design shall consider the most critical load case.

(2)P In design situations when imposed loads act simultaneously with other variable actions (e.g actions induced by wind, cranes or machinery), the total imposed loads considered in the load case shall be considered as a single action.

(3) Where the number of load variations or the effects of vibrations may cause fatigue, a fatigue load model should be established.

(4) For structures susceptible to vibrations, dynamic models of imposed loads should be considered where relevant. The design procedure is given in ES EN 1990:2015 clause 5.1.3.

#### 3.3.2 Additional provisions for buildings

(1) On roofs, imposed loads, and wind actions should not be applied together simultaneously.

(2)P When the imposed load is considered as an accompanying action, in accordance with ES EN 1990:2015, only one of the two factors  $\psi$  (ES EN 1990:2015, Table A1.1) and  $a_n$  (6.3.1.2 (11)) shall be applied.

(3) For dynamic loads caused by machinery see ES EN 1991-3:2015.

(4) The imposed loads to be considered for serviceability limit state verifications should be specified in accordance with the service conditions and the requirements concerning the performance of the structure.

## SECTION 4 DENSITIES OF CONSTRUCTION AND STORED MATERIALS

### 4.1 General

(1) Characteristic values of densities of construction and stored materials should be specified. Mean values should be used as characteristic values. See however 4.1(2) and 4.1(3).

**Note:** Annex A gives mean values for densities and angles of repose for stored materials. When a range is given it is assumed that the mean value will be highly dependent on the source of the material and may be selected considering each individual project.

(2) For materials (e.g. new and innovative materials) which are not covered by the Tables in Annex A, the characteristic value of the density should be determined in accordance with ES EN 1990:2015 clause 4.1.2 and agreed for each individual project.

(3) Where materials are used with a significant scatter of densities e.g. due to their source, water content etc, the characteristic value of these densities should be assessed in accordance with ES EN 1990:2015 clause 4.1.2.

(4) If a reliable direct assessment of the densities is carried out, then these values may be used.

**Note:** ES EN 1990:2015 Annex D may be used.

## SECTION 5 SELF-WEIGHT OF CONSTRUCTION WORKS

### 5.1 Representation of actions

(1) The self-weight of the construction works should in most cases, be represented by a single characteristic value and be calculated on the basis of the nominal dimensions and the characteristic values of the densities.

(2) The self weight of the construction works includes the structure and non-structural elements including fixed services as well as the weight of earth and ballast.

(3) Non-structural elements include:

- roofing ;
- surfacing and coverings ;
- partitions and linings ;
- hand rails, safety barriers, parapets and kerbs ;
- wall cladding ;
- suspended ceilings;
- thermal insulation ;
- fixed services (see 5.1.(4)).

**Note:** For information on fixed machinery see ES EN 1991-3:2015. For other industrial equipment (e.g. safes) the manufacturer should be consulted.

(4) Fixed services include :

- equipments for lifts and moving stairways ;
- heating, ventilating and air conditioning equipment ;
- electrical equipment ; -pipes without their contents ;
- cable trunking and conduits.

(5)P Loads due to movable partitions shall be treated as imposed loads, see 5.2.2(2)P and 6.3.1.2(8).

### 5.2 Characteristic values of self-weight

#### 5.2.1 General

(1)P The determination of the characteristic values of self-weight, and of the dimensions and densities shall be in accordance with ES EN 1990:2015, 4.1.2.

(2) Nominal dimensions should be those as shown on the drawings.

#### 5.2.2 Additional provisions for buildings

(1) For manufactured elements such as flooring systems, facades and ceilings, lifts and equipment for buildings, data may be provided by the manufacturer.

(2)P For determining the effect of the self-weight due to movable partitions, an equivalent uniformly distributed load shall be used and added to the imposed load, see 6.3.1.2 (8).

## SECTION 6 IMPOSED LOADS ON BUILDINGS

### 6.1 Representation of actions

(1) Imposed loads on buildings are those arising from occupancy. Values given in this Section, include:

- normal use by persons;
- furniture and moveable objects (e.g. moveable partitions, storage, the contents of containers);
- vehicles;
- anticipating rare events, such as concentrations of persons or of furniture, or the moving or stacking of objects which may occur during reorganization or redecoration.

(2) The imposed loads specified in this part are modelled by uniformly distributed loads, line loads or concentrated loads or combinations of these loads.

(3) For the determination of the imposed loads, floor and roof areas in buildings should be sub-divided into categories according to their use.

(4) Heavy equipment (e.g. in communal kitchens, radiology rooms, boiler rooms etc) are not included in the loads given in this Section. Loads for heavy equipment should be agreed between the client and/or the relevant Authority.

### 6.2 Load arrangements

#### 6.2.1 Floors, beams and roofs

(1)P For the design of a floor structure within one storey or a roof, the imposed load shall be taken into account as a free action applied at the most unfavourable part of the influence area of the action effects considered.

(2) Where the loads on other storeys are relevant, they may be assumed to be distributed uniformly (fixed actions).

(3)P To ensure a minimum local resistance of the floor structure a separate verification shall be performed with a concentrated load that, unless stated otherwise, shall not be combined with the uniformly distributed loads or other variable actions.

(4) Imposed loads from a single category may be reduced according to the areas supported by the appropriate member, by a reduction factor  $a_A$  according to 6.3.1.2(10).

#### 6.2.2 Columns and walls

(1) For the design of columns or walls, loaded from several storeys, the total imposed loads on the floor of each storey should be assumed to be distributed uniformly.

(2) Where imposed loads from several storeys act on columns and walls, the total imposed loads may be reduced by a factor  $a_n$  according to 6.3.1.2(11) and 3.3.1(2)P.

### **6.3 Characteristic values of Imposed Loads**

#### **6.3.1 Residential, social, commercial and administration areas**

##### **6.3.1.1 Categories**

(1)P Areas in residential, social, commercial and administration buildings shall be divided into categories according to their specific uses shown in Table 6.1.

(2)P Independent of this classification of areas, dynamic effects shall be considered where it is anticipated that the occupancy will cause significant dynamic effects (see 2.2(3) and

(5)P).

**Table 6.1 - Categories of use**

Category	Specific Use	Example
A	Areas for domestic and residential activities	Rooms in residential buildings and houses; bedrooms and wards in hospitals; bedrooms in hotels and hostels kitchens and toilets.
B	Office areas	
C	Areas where people may congregate (with the exception of areas defined under category A, B, and D <sup>1)</sup> )	<p><b>C1:</b> Areas with tables, etc. e.g. areas in schools, cafés, restaurants, dining halls, reading rooms, receptions.</p> <p><b>C2:</b> Areas with fixed seats, e.g. areas in churches, theatres or cinemas, conference rooms, lecture halls, assembly halls, waiting rooms, railway waiting rooms.</p> <p><b>C3:</b> Areas without obstacles for moving people, e.g. areas in museums, exhibition rooms, etc. and access areas in public and administration buildings, hotels, hospitals, railway station forecourts.</p> <p><b>C4:</b> Areas with possible physical activities, e.g. dance halls, gymnastic rooms, stages.</p> <p><b>C5:</b> Areas susceptible to large crowds, e.g. in buildings for public events like concert halls, sports halls including stands, terraces and access areas and railway platforms.</p>
D	Shopping areas	<p><b>D1:</b> Areas in general retail shops</p> <p><b>D2:</b> Areas in department stores</p>
<p><sup>1)</sup> Attention is drawn to 6.3.1.1(2), in particular for C4 and C5. See ES EN 1990 when dynamic effects need to be considered. For Category E, see Table 6.3</p> <p>NOTE 1 Depending on their anticipated uses, areas likely to be categorised as C2, C3, C4 may be categorised as C5 by decision of the client and/or National annex.</p> <p>NOTE 2 The National annex may provide sub categories to A, B, C1 to C5, D1 and D2</p> <p>NOTE 3 See 6.3.2 for storage or industrial activity</p>		

**6.3.1.2 Values of actions**

(1)P The categories of loaded areas, as specified in Table 6.1, shall be designed by using characteristic values  $q_k$  (uniformly distributed load) and  $Q_k$  (concentrated load).

**Note:** Values for  $q_k$  and  $Q_k$  are given in Table 6.2 below. Where a range is given in this table, the value may be set by the National annex. The recommended values, intended for separate application, are underlined.  $q_k$  is intended for determination of general effects and  $Q_k$  for local effects. The National annex may define different conditions of use of this Table.

**Table 6.2 - Imposed loads on floors, balconies and stairs in buildings**

Categories of loaded areas	$q_k$ [kN/m <sup>2</sup> ]	$Q_k$ [kN]
<b>Category A</b>		
- Floors	1.5 to 2.0	2.0 to 3.0
- Stairs	2.0 to 4.0	2.0 to 4.0
- Balconies	2.5 to 4.0	2.0 to 3.0
<b>Category B</b>	2.0 to 3.0	1.5 to 4.5
<b>Category C</b>		
- C1	2.0 to 3.0	3.0 to 4.0
- C2	3.0 to 4.0	2.5 to 7.0 (4.0)
- C3	3.0 to 5.0	4.0 to 7.0
- C4	4.5 to 5.0	3.5 to 7.0
- C5	5.0 to 7.5	3.5 to 4.5
<b>Category D</b>		
- D1	4.0 to 5.0	3.5 to 7.0 (4.0)
- D2	4.0 to 5.0	3.5 to 7.0

(2) Where necessary  $q_k$  and  $Q_k$  should be increased in the design (e.g. for stairs and balconies depending on the occupancy and on dimensions).

(3) For local verifications a concentrated load  $Q_k$  acting alone should be taken into account.

(4) For concentrated loads from storage racks or from lifting equipment,  $Q_k$  should be determined for the individual case, see 6.3.2.

(5)P The concentrated load shall be considered to act at any point on the floor, balcony or stairs over an area with a shape which is appropriate to the use and form of the floor.

**Note:** The shape may normally be assumed as a square with a width of 50 mm. See also 6.3.4.2(4)

(6)P The vertical loads on floors due to traffic of forklifts shall be taken into account according to 6.3.2.3.

(7)P Where floors are subjected to multiple use, they shall be designed for the most unfavourable category of loading which produces the highest effects of actions (e.g. forces or deflection) in the member under consideration.

(8) Provided that a floor allows a lateral distribution of loads, the self-weight of movable partitions may be taken into account by a uniformly distributed load  $q_k$  which should be added to the imposed loads of floors obtained from Table 6.2. This defined uniformly distributed load is dependent on the self-weight of the partitions as follows:

- for movable partitions with a self-weight : 1.0 kN/m wall length:  $q_k = 0,5 \text{ kN/m}^2$ ;

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- for movable partitions with a self-weight : 2.0 kN/m wall length:  $q_k = 0.8 \text{ kN/m}^2$ ;
- for movable partitions with a self-weight : 3.0 kN/m wall length:  $q_k = 1.2 \text{ kN/m}^2$ .

(9) Heavier partitions should be considered in the design taking account of:

- the locations and directions of the partitions;
- the structural form of the floors.

(10) In accordance with 6.2.1(4) a reduction factor  $\alpha_A$  may be applied to the  $q_k$  values for imposed loads in Tables 6.2, and 6.10 for floors, and accessible roofs, Category I (See Table 6.9).

**Note 1:** The recommended value for the reduction factor  $\alpha_A$  for categories A to E is determined as follows :

$$\alpha_A = \frac{5}{7} \Psi_0 + \frac{A_0}{A} \leq 1.0 \quad (6.1)$$

with the restriction for categories C and D:  $\alpha_A \geq 0,6$

where:

$\Psi_0$  is the factor according to ES EN 1990:2015 Annex A1 Table A1.1

$$A_0 = 10.0 \text{m}^2$$

$A$  is the loaded area

**Note 2:** The National Annex may give an alternative method.

(11) In accordance with 6.2.2(2) and provided that the area is classified according to table 6.1 into the categories A to D, for columns and walls the total imposed loads from several storeys may be multiplied by the reduction factor  $\alpha_n$ .

**Note 1:** The recommended values for  $\alpha_n$  are given below.

$$\alpha_n = \frac{2 + (n - 2)\Psi_0}{n} \quad (6.2)$$

where:

$n$  is the number of storeys ( $> 2$ ) above the loaded structural elements from the same category.

$\Psi_0$  is in accordance with ES EN 1990:2015, Annex A1, Table A1.1.

**Note 1:** The National annex may give an alternative method.

## 6.3.2 Areas for storage and industrial activities

### 6.3.2.1 Categories

(1)P Areas for storage and industrial activities shall be divided into the two categories according to Table 6.3.

**Table 6.3 -Categories of storage and industrial use**

Category	Specific use	Example
E1	Areas susceptible to accumulation of goods, including access areas	Areas for storage use including storage of books and other documents.
E2	Industrial use	

### 6.3.2.2 Values for Actions

(1)P The loaded areas, categorized as specified in Table 6.3, shall be designed by using characteristic values  $q_k$  (uniformly distributed load) and  $Q_k$  (concentrated load).

**Note:** Recommended values for  $q_k$  and  $Q_k$  are given in Table 6.4 below. The values may be changed if necessary according to the usage (see Table 6.3 and Annex A) for the particular project or by the National annex.  $q_k$  is intended for determination of general effects and  $Q_k$  for local effects. The National annex may define different conditions of use of Table 6.4.

**Table 6.4 - Imposed loads on floors due to storage**

Categories of loaded areas	$q_k$ [kN/m <sup>2</sup> ]	$Q_k$ [kN]
Category E1	7.5	7.0

(2)P The characteristic value of the imposed load shall be the maximum value taking account of the dynamic effects if appropriate. The loading arrangement shall be defined so that it produces the most unfavourable conditions allowed in use.

**Note:** For transient design situations due to installation and reinstallation of machines, production units etc. guidance is given in ES EN 1991-1-6:2015.

(3) The characteristic values of vertical loads in storage areas should be derived by taking into account the density and the upper design values for stacking heights. When stored material exerts horizontal forces on walls etc., the horizontal force should be determined in accordance with ES EN 1991-4:2015.

**Note:** See Annex A for densities.

(4) Any effects of filling and emptying should be taken into account.

(5) Loads for storage areas for books and other documents should be determined from the loaded area and the height of the book cases using the appropriate values for density.

(6) Loads in industrial areas should be assessed considering the intended use and the equipment which is to be installed. Where equipment such as cranes, moving machinery etc, are to be installed the effects on the structure should be determined in accordance with ES EN 1991-3:2015.

(7) Actions due to forklifts and transport vehicles should be considered as concentrated loads acting together with the appropriate imposed distributed loads given in Tables 6.2, 6.4. and 6.8.

**6.3.2.3 Actions induced by forklifts**

(1) Forklifts should be classified in 6 classes FL 1 to FL 6 depending on net weight, dimensions and hoisting loads, see Table 6.5.

**Table 6.5 - Dimensions of forklift according to classes FL**

Class of Forklift	Net weight [kN]	Hoisting load [kN]	Width of axle <i>a</i> [m]	Overall width <i>b</i> [m]	Overall length <i>l</i> [m]
FL 1	21	10	0.85	1.00	2.60
FL 2	31	15	0.95	1.10	3.00
FL 3	44	25	1.00	1.20	3.30
FL 4	60	40	1.20	1.40	4.00
FL 5	90	60	1.50	1.90	4.60
FL 6	110	80	1.80	2.30	5.10

(2) The static vertical axle load  $Q_k$  of a forklift depends on the forklift classes FL1 to FL6 and should be obtained from Table 6.6.

**Table 6.6 - Axle loads of forklifts**

Class of forklifts	Axle load $Q_k$ [kN]
FL 1	26
FL 2	40
FL 3	63
FL 4	90
FL 5	140
FL 6	170

(3) The static vertical axle load  $Q_k$  should be increased by the dynamic factor  $\varphi$  using expression (6.3).

$$Q_{k,dyn} = \varphi Q_k \tag{6.3}$$

Where:

$Q_{k,dyn}$  is the dynamic characteristic value of the action

$\varphi$  is the dynamic magnification factor

$Q_k$  is the static characteristic value of the action

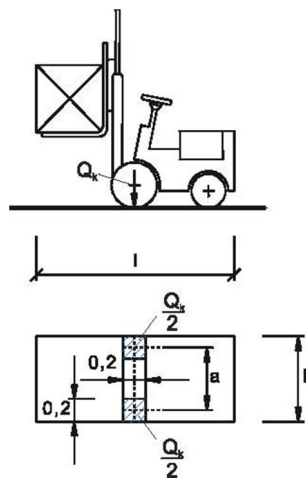
(4) The dynamic factor  $c$  for forklifts takes into account the inertial effects caused by acceleration and deceleration of the hoisting load and should be taken as:

$\varphi = 1.40$  for pneumatic tyres,

$\varphi = 2.00$  for solid tyres.

(5) For forklifts having a net weight greater than 110 kN the loads should be defined by a more accurate analysis.

(6) The vertical axle load  $Q_k$  and  $Q_{k,ndyn}$  of a forklift should be arranged according to Figure 6.1.



**Figure 6.1 - Dimensions of forklifts**

(7) Horizontal loads due to acceleration or deceleration of forklifts may be taken as 30 % of the vertical axle loads  $Q_k$ .

**Note:** Dynamic factors need not be applied.

#### 6.3.2.4 Actions induced by transport vehicles

(1) The actions from transport vehicles that move on floors freely or guided by rails should be determined by a pattern of wheel loads.

(2) The static values of the vertical wheel loads should be given in terms of permanent weights and pay loads. Their spectra should be used to define combination factors and fatigue loads.

(3) The vertical and horizontal wheel loads should be determined for the specific case.

(4) The load arrangement including the dimensions relevant for the design should be determined for the specific case.

**Note:** Appropriate load models from ES EN 1991-2:2015 may be used where relevant.

**6.3.2.5 Actions induced by special devices for maintenance**

(1) Special devices for maintenance should be modelled as loads from transportation vehicles, see 6.3.2.4.

(2) The load arrangements including the dimensions relevant for the design should be determined for the specific case.

**6.3.3 Garages and vehicle traffic areas (excluding bridges)**

**6.3.3.1 Categories**

(1)P Traffic and parking areas in buildings shall be divided into two categories according to their accessibility for vehicles as shown in Table 6.7.

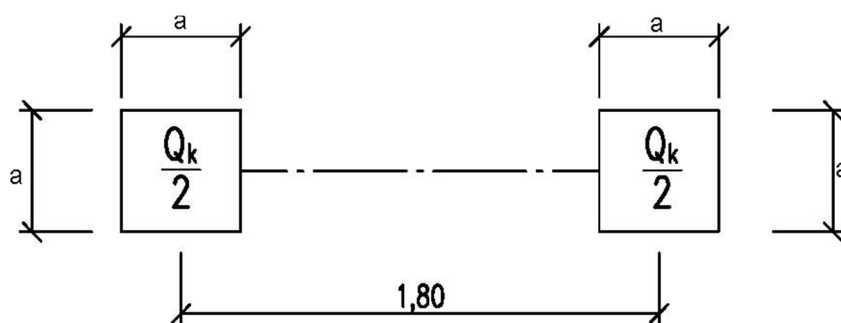
**Table 6.7 - Traffic and parking areas in buildings**

Categories of traffic areas	Specific Use	Examples
F	Traffic and parking areas for light vehicles ( $\leq 30$ kN gross vehicle weight and $\leq 8$ seats not including driver)	garages; parking areas, parking halls
G	Traffic and parking areas for medium vehicles ( $>30$ kN, $\leq 160$ kN gross vehicle weight, on 2 axles)	access routes; delivery zones; zones accessible to fire engines ( $\leq 160$ kN gross vehicle weight)
<p><b>Note 1:</b> Access to areas designed to category F should be limited by physical means built into the structure.</p> <p><b>Note 2:</b> Areas designed to categories F and G should be posted with the appropriate warning signs.</p>		

**6.3.3.2 Values of actions**

(1) The load model which should be used is a single axle with a load  $Q_k$  with dimensions according to Figure 6.2 and a uniformly distributed load  $q_k$ . The characteristic values for  $q_k$  and  $Q_k$  are given in Table 6.8.

**Note:**  $q_k$  is intended for determination of general effects and  $Q_k$  for local effects. The National annex may define different conditions of use of this Table.



**Note:** For category F (see Table 6.8) the width of the square surface is 100 mm and for category G see Table 6.8) the width of a square surface is 200 mm.

**Figure 6.2 - Dimensions of axle load**

Categories of traffic areas	$q_k$ [kN/m <sup>2</sup> ]	$Q_k$ [kN]
<b>Category F</b> Gross vehicle weight: $\leq 30$ kN	$q_k$	$Q_k$
<b>Category G</b> $30 \text{ kN} < \text{gross vehicle weight} \leq 160$ kN	5.0	$Q_k$
<p><b>Note 1:</b> For category F, <math>q_k</math> may be selected within the range 1.5 to <u>2.5</u> kN/m<sup>2</sup> and <math>Q_k</math> may be selected within the range 10 to <u>20</u> kN.</p> <p><b>Note 2:</b> For category G, <math>Q_k</math> may be selected within the range 40 to <u>90</u> kN.</p> <p><b>Note 3:</b> Where a range of values are given in Notes 1 &amp; 2, the value may be set by the National annex.</p> <p>The recommended values are underlined.</p>		

**Table 6.8 - Imposed loads on garages and vehicle traffic areas**

(2) The axle load should be applied on two square surfaces with a 100 mm side for category F and a 200 mm side for Category G in the possible positions which will produce the most adverse effects of the action.

### 6.3.4 Roofs

#### 6.3.4.1 Categories

(1) P Roofs shall be categorised according to their accessibility into three categories as shown in Table 6.9.

**Table 6.9 - Categorization of roofs**

Categories of loaded area	Specific Use
H	Roofs not accessible except for normal maintenance and repair.
I	Roofs accessible with occupancy according to categories A to D
K	Roofs accessible for special services, such as helicopter landing areas

(2) Imposed loads for roofs of category H should be those given in Table 6.10. Imposed loads for roofs of category I are given in Tables 6.2, 6.4 and 6.8 according to the specific use.

(3) The loads for roofs of category K which provide areas for helicopter landing areas should be for the helicopter classes HC, see Table 6.11.

**6.3.4.2 Values of actions**

(1) For roofs of category H the minimum characteristic values  $Q_k$  and  $q_k$  that should be used are given in Table 6.10. They are related to the projected area of the roof under consideration.

**Table 6.10 - Imposed loads on roofs of category H**

Roof	$q_k$ [kN/m <sup>2</sup> ]	$Q_k$ [kN]
<b>Category H</b>	<b><math>q_k</math></b>	<b><math>Q_k</math></b>
<p><b>Note 1:</b> For category H <math>q_k</math> may be selected within the range 0.00 kN/m<sup>2</sup> to 1.0 kN/m<sup>2</sup> and <math>Q_k</math> may be selected within the range 0.9 kN to 1.5 kN.</p> <p>Where a range is given the values may be set by the National Annex. The recommended values are:</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><math>q_k = 0.4 \text{ kN/m}^2</math> , <math>Q_k = 1.0\text{kN}</math></p> <p><b>Note 2:</b> <math>q_k</math> may be varied by the National Annex dependent upon the roof slope.</p> <p><b>Note 3:</b> <math>q_k</math> may be assumed to act on an area A which may be set by the National Annex. The recommended value for A is 10 m<sup>2</sup>, within the range of zero to the whole area of the roof.</p> <p><b>Note 4:</b> See also 3.3.2 (1)</p>		

(2) The minimum values given in Table 6.10 do not take into account uncontrolled accumulations of construction materials that may occur during maintenance.

**Note :** See also EN 1991-1-6: Actions during execution.

(3)P For roofs separate verifications shall be performed for the concentrated load  $Q_k$  and the uniformly distributed load  $q_k$ , acting independently.

(4) Roofs, other than those with roof sheeting, should be designed to resist 1.5 kN on an area based on a 50 mm sided square. Roof elements with a profiled or discontinuously laid surface, should be designed so that the concentrated load  $Q_k$  acts over the effective area provided by load spreading arrangements.

(5) For roofs of category K the actions from helicopters on landing areas should be determined in accordance with Table 6.11, and using the dynamic factors given in 6.3.4.2 (6) and expression 6.3

**Table 6.11 - Imposed loads on roofs of category K for helicopters**

Class of helicopter	Take-off load $Q$ of helicopter	Take-off load $Q_k$	Dimension of the loaded area (m x m)
HC1	$Q \leq 20$ kN	$Q_k = 20$ kN	0.2 x 0.2
HC2	$20$ kN < $Q \leq 60$ kN	$Q_k = 60$ kN	0.3 x 0.3

(6) The dynamic factor  $\varphi$  to be applied to the take off load  $Q_k$  to take account of impact effects may be taken as  $c = 1.40$ .

(7) Access ladders and walkways should be assumed to be loaded according to Table 6.10 for a roof slope <  $20^\circ$ . For walkways which are part of a designated escape route,  $q_k$  should be according to Table 6.2. For walkways for service a minimum characteristic value  $Q_k$  of 1.5 kN should be taken.

(8) The following loads should be used for the design of frames and coverings of access hatches (other than glazing), the supports of ceilings and similar structures:

a) without access: no imposed load;

b) with access:  $0.25$  kN/m<sup>2</sup> distributed over the whole area or the area supported, and the concentrated load of 0.9 kN so placed as to produce maximum stresses in the affected member.

#### **6.4 Horizontal loads on parapets and partition walls acting as barriers**

(1) The characteristic values of the line load  $q_k$  acting at the height of the partition wall or parapets but not higher than 1.20 m should be taken from Table 6.12.

Table 6.12 - Horizontal loads on partition walls and parapets

Loaded areas	$q_k$ [kN/m]
Category A	$q_k$
Category B and C1	$q_k$
Categories C2 –to C4 and D	$q_k$
Category C5	$q_k$
Category E	$q_k$
Category F	See Annex B
Category G	See Annex B
<p><b>Note 1:</b> For categories A, B and C1, <math>q_k</math> may be selected within the range 0.2 to 1.0 (<u>0.5</u>).</p> <p><b>Note 2:</b> For categories C2 to C4 and D <math>q_k</math> may be selected within the range 0.8 kN/m –to <u>1.0</u> kN/m.</p> <p><b>Note 3:</b> For category C5 <math>q_k</math> may be selected within the range <u>3.0</u> kN/m to 5.0 kN/m.</p> <p><b>Note 4:</b> For category E <math>q_k</math> may be selected within the range 0.8 kN/m to <u>2.0</u> kN/m. For areas of category E the horizontal loads depend on the occupancy. Therefore the value of <math>q_k</math> is defined as a minimum value and should be checked for the specific occupancy.</p> <p><b>Note 5:</b> Where a range of values is given in Notes 1, 2, 3 and 4, the value may be set by the National Annex. The recommended value is underlined.</p> <p><b>Note 6:</b> The National Annex may prescribe additional point loads <math>Q_k</math> and/or hard or soft body impact specifications for analytical or experimental verification.</p>	

(2) For areas susceptible to significant overcrowding associated with public events e.g. for sports stadia, stands, stages, assembly halls or conference rooms, the line load should be taken according to category C5.

**ANNEX A**  
(INFORMATIVE)  
**TABLES FOR NOMINAL DENSITY OF CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS, AND  
NOMINAL DENSITY AND ANGLES OF REPOSE FOR STORED MATERIALS**

**Table A.1 - Construction materials-concrete and mortar**

<b>Materials</b>	<b>Density <math>\gamma</math> [kN/m<sup>3</sup>]</b>
<b>concrete</b> (see ES EN 206)	
lightweight density class LC 1.0	9.0 to 10.0 <sup>1)2)</sup>
density class LC 1.2	10.0 to 12.0 <sup>1)2)</sup>
density class LC 1.4	12.0 to 14.0 <sup>1)2)</sup>
density class LC 1.6	14.0 to 16.0 <sup>1)2)</sup>
density class LC 1.8	16.0 to 18.0 <sup>1)2)</sup>
density class LC 2.0	18.0 to 20.0 <sup>1)2)</sup>
normal weight	24.0 <sup>1)2)</sup>
heavy weight	>1)2)
<b>mortar</b>	
cement mortar	19.0 to 23.0
gypsum mortar	12.0 to 18.0
lime-cement mortar	18.0 to 20.0
lime mortar	12.0 to 18.0
<sup>1)</sup> Increase by 1kN/m <sup>3</sup> for normal percentage of reinforcing and pre-stressing steel	
<sup>2)</sup> Increase by 1kN/m <sup>3</sup> for unhardened concrete	
<b>Note:</b> See Section 4	

Table A.2 - Construction materials-masonry

Materials	Density $\gamma$ [kN/m <sup>3</sup> ]
<p><b>masonry units</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>clay masonry units</li> <li>calcium silicate masonry units</li> <li>aggregate concrete masonry units</li> <li>autoclaved aerated masonry units</li> <li>manufactured stone masonry units</li> <li>glass blocks, hollow</li> <li>terra cotta</li> </ul> <p><b>natural stones</b>, see ES EN 771-6</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>granite, syenite, porphyry</li> <li>basalt, diorite, gabbro</li> <li>tachylyte</li> <li>basaltic lava</li> <li>gray wacke, sandstone</li> <li>dense limestone</li> <li>other limestone</li> <li>volcanic tuff</li> <li>gneiss</li> <li>slate</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>see ES EN 771-1</li> <li>see ES EN 771-2</li> <li>see ES EN 771-3</li> <li>see ES EN 771-4</li> <li>see ES EN 771-5</li> <li>see ES EN 1051</li> <li>21.0</li>   <li>27.0 to 30.0</li> <li>27.0 to 31.0</li> <li>26.0</li> <li>24.0</li> <li>21.0 to 27.0</li> <li>20.0 to 29.0</li> <li>20.0</li> <li>20.0</li> <li>30.0</li> <li>28.0</li> </ul>
<p><b>Note:</b> See Section 4.</p>	

Table A.3 - Construction materials-wood

Products	Density $\gamma$ [kN/m <sup>3</sup> ]
<b>wood</b> (see ES EN 338 for timber strength classes)	
timber strength class C14	3.5
timber strength class C16	3.7
timber strength class C18	3.8
timber strength class C 22	4.1
timber strength class C24	4.2
timber strength class C27	4.5
timber strength class C30	4.6
timber strength class C35	4.8
timber strength class C 40	5.0
timber strength class D 30	6.4
timber strength class D 35	6.7
timber strength class D 40	7.0
timber strength class D 50	7.8
timber strength class D 60	8.4
timber strength class D 70	10.8
<b>glued laminated timber</b> (see ES EN 1194 for Timber strength classes)	
homogenous glulam GL24h	3.7
homogenous glulam GL28h	4.0
homogenous glulam GL32h	4.2
homogenous glulam GL36h	4.4
combined glulam GL24c	3.5
<b>plywood</b>	
softwood plywood	5.0
birch plywood	7.0
laminboard and blockboard	4.5
<b>particle boards</b>	
chipboard	7.0 to 8.0
cement-bonded particle board	12.0
flake board, oriented strand board, wafer board	7.0
<b>fibre building board</b>	
hardboard, standard and tempered	10.0
medium density fibreboard	8.0
softboard	4.0
<b>Note:</b> See Section 4.	

Table A.4 - Construction materials-metals

Materials	Density $\gamma$ [kN/m <sup>3</sup> ]
<b>metals</b>	
aluminium	27.0
brass	83.0 to 85.0
bronze	83.0 to 85.0
copper	87.0 to 89.0
iron, cast	71.0 to 72.5
iron, wrought	76.0
lead	112.0 to 114.0
steel	77.0 to 78.5
zinc	71.0 to 72.0

Table A.5 - Construction materials-other materials

Materials	Density $\gamma$ [kN/m <sup>3</sup> ]
<b>other materials</b>	
glass, broken	22.0
glass, in sheets	25.0
<b>plastics</b>	
acrylic sheet	12.0
polystyrene, expanded, granules	0.3
foam glass	1.4
slate	28.0

Table A.6 -Stored materials -building and construction

Materials	Density $\gamma$ [kN/m <sup>3</sup> ]	Angle of repose $\phi$ [°]
<b>aggregates</b> (see ES EN 206)		
lightweight	9.0 to 20.0 <sup>1)</sup>	30
normal	20.0 to 30.0	30
heavyweight	> 30.0	30
<b>gravel and sand, bulked</b>	15.0 to 20.0	35
<b>sand blast furnace slag</b>	14.0 to 19.0	30
lumps	17.0	40
granules	12.0	30
crushed foamed	9.0	35
brick sand, crushed brick, broken bricks	15.0	35
vermiculite		
exfoliated, aggregate for concrete	1.0	-
crude	6.0 to 9.0	-
<b>bentonite</b>		
loose	8.0	40
shaken down	11.0	-
<b>cement</b>		
in bulk	16.0	28
in bag	15.0	-
<b>fly ash</b>	10.0 to 14.0	25
<b>glass, in sheets</b>	25.0	-
<b>gypsum, ground</b>	15.0	25
<b>lignite filter ash</b>	15.0	20
<b>lime</b>	13.0	25
<b>limestone, powder</b>	13.0	25 to 27
<b>magnesite, ground</b>	12.0	-
<b>plastics,</b>		
polyethylene, polystyrol granulated	6.4	30
polyvinylchloride, powder	5.9	40
polyester resin	11.8	-
glue resins	13.0	-
<b>water, fresh</b>	10.0	
<sup>1)</sup> see table A.1 for density classes of lightweight concrete		
<b>Note:</b> See Section 4.		

Table A.7 -Stored products -agricultural

Products	Density $\gamma$ [kN/m <sup>3</sup> ]	Angle of repose $\phi$ [°]
<b>farmyard</b>		
manure (minimum 60 % solids)	7.8	-
manure (with dry straw)	9.3	45
dry chicken manure	6.9	45
slurry (maximum 20 % solids)	10.8	-
<b>fertiliser, artificial</b>		
NPK, granulated	8.0 to 12.0	25
basic slag, crushed	13.7	35
phosphates, granulated	10.0 to 16.0	30
potassium sulphate	12.0 to 16.0	28
urea	7.0 to 8.0	24
<b>fodder, green, loosely stacked</b>	3.5 to 4.5	-
<b>grain whole</b> ( $\leq 14$ % moisture content unless indicated otherwise)		
general	7.8	30
barley	7.0	30
brewer's grain (wet)	8.8	-
herbage seeds	3.4	30
maize in bulk	7.4	30
maize in bags	5.0	-
oats	5.0	30
oilseed rape	6.4	25
rye	7.0	30
wheat in bulk	7.8	30
wheat in bags	7.5	-
<b>grass cubes</b>	7.8	40
<b>hay</b>		
(baled)	1.0 to 3.0	-
(rolled bales)	6.0 to 7.0	-
<b>hides and skins</b>	8.0 to 9.0	-
<b>hops</b>	1.0 to 2.0	25
<b>malt</b>	4.0 to 6.0	20
<b>meal</b>		
ground	7.0	45
cubes	7.0	40
<b>peat</b>		
dry, loose, shaken down	1.0	35
dry, compressed in bales	5.0	-
wet	9.5	-
<b>silage</b>	5.0 to 10.0	--
<b>straw</b>		
in bulk (dry)	0.7	-
baled	1.5	-
<b>tobacco in bales</b>	3.5 to 5.0	-
<b>wool</b>		
in bulk	3.0	-
baled	7.0 to 13.0	-
<b>Note:</b> See Section 4.		

Table A.8 - Stored products - foodstuffs

Products	Density $\gamma$ [kN/m <sup>3</sup> ]	Angle of repose $\phi$ [°]
<b>eggs</b> , in stands	4.0 to 5.0	-
<b>flour</b>		
bulk	6.0	25
bagged	5.0	-
<b>fruit</b>		
apples	8.3	30
- loose	6.5	-
- boxed	7.8	-
cherries	5.9	-
pears	2.0	-
raspberries, in trays	1.2	-
strawberries, in trays	6.8	-
<b>sugar</b>		
loose, piled	7.5 to 10.0	35
dense and bagged	16.0	
<b>vegetables, green</b>		
cabbages	4.0	-
lettuce	5.0	-
<b>vegetables, legumes</b>		
beans	8.1	35
- general	7.4	30
- soya peas	7.8	-
<b>vegetables, root</b>		
general	8.8	-
beet root	7.4	40
carrots	7.8	35
onions	7	35
turnips	7	35
<b>potatoes</b>		
in bulk	7.6	35
in boxes	4.4	-
<b>sugar beet,</b>		
dried and chopped	2.9	35
raw	7.6	-
wet shreds	10.0	-
<b>Note:</b> See Section 4.		

Table A.9 - Stored products - liquids

Products	Density $\gamma$ [kN/m <sup>3</sup> ]
<b>beverages</b>	
beer	10.0
milk	10.0
water, fresh	10.0
wine	10.0
<b>natural oils</b>	
castor oil	9.3
glycerol (glycerine)	12.3
linseed oil	9.2
olive oil	8.8
<b>organic liquids and acids</b>	
alcohol	7.8
ether	7.4
hydrochloric acid (40 % by weight)	11.8
methylated spirit	7.8
nitric acid (91 % by weight)	14.7
sulphuric acid (30 % by weight)	13.7
sulphuric acid (87 % by weight)	17.7
turpentine, white spirit	8.3
<b>hydrocarbons</b>	
aniline	9.8
benzene (benzol)	8.8
coal tar	10.8 to 12.8
creosote	10.8
naphtha	7.8
paraffin (kerosene)	8.3
benzine (benzoline)	6.9
oil, crude (petroleum)	9.8 to 12.8
diesel	8.3
fuel	7.8 to 9.8
heavy	12.3
lubricating	8.8
petrol (gasolene, gasoline) liquid gas	7.4
butane	5.7
propane	5.0
<b>other liquids</b>	
mercury	133
red lead paint	59
white lead, in oil	38
sludge, over 50 % by volume water	10.8
<b>Note:</b> See Section 4.	

Table A.10 - Stored products - solid fuels

Products	Density $\gamma$ [kN/m <sup>3</sup> ]	Angle of repose $\phi$ [°]
<b>charcoal</b>		
air-filled	4	-
air-free	15	-
<b>coal</b>		
block briquettes, tipped	8	35
block briquettes, stacked	13	-
egg briquettes	8.3	30
coal, raw from pit	10	35
coal in washing pools	12	-
coal dust	7	25
coke	4.0 to 6.5	35 to 45
middlings in the quarry	12.3	35
waste washing tips in colliery	13.7	35
all other kinds of coal	8.3	30 to 35
<b>firewood</b>	5.4	45
<b>lignite/brown coal</b>		
briquettes, tipped	7.8	30
briquettes, stacked	12.8	-
damp	9.8	30 to 40
dry	7.8	35
dust	4.9	25 to 40
low-temperature coke	9.8	40
<b>peat</b>		
black, dried, firmly packed	6 to 9	-
black, dried, loosely tipped	3 to 6	45
<b>Note:</b> See Section 4.		

Table A.11 - Stored products - industrial and general

Products	Density $\gamma$ [kN/m <sup>3</sup> ]	Angle of repose $\phi$ [°]
<b>books and documents</b>		
books and documents, densely stored	6.0 8.5	- --
<b>filing racks and cabinets</b>	6.0	-
<b>garments and rags, bundled</b>	11.0	-
<b>ice, lumps</b>	8.5	-
<b>leather, piled</b>	10.0	-
<b>paper</b>		
in rolls	15.0	-
piled	11.0	-
<b>rubber</b>	10.0 to 17.0	-
<b>rock salt</b>	22.0	45
<b>salt</b>	12.0	40
<b>sawdust</b>		
dry, bagged	3.0	-
dry, loose	2.5	45
wet, loose	5.0	45
<b>tar, bitumen</b>	14.0	-
<b>Note:</b> See Section 4.		

**ANNEX B**  
(INFORMATIVE)  
**VEHICLE BARRIERS AND PARAPETS FOR CAR PARKS**

B(1) Barriers and parapets in car parking areas should be designed to resist the horizontal loads given in B(2).

B(2) The horizontal characteristic force  $F$  (in kN), normal to and uniformly distributed over any length of 1.5 m of a barrier for a car park, required to withstand the impact of a vehicle is given by:

$$F = \frac{0.5mv^2}{(\delta_b + \delta_c)}$$

Where :

$m$  is the gross mass of the vehicle in (kg)

$v$  is the velocity of the vehicle (in m/s) normal to the barrier

$\delta_c$  is the deformations of the vehicle (in mm)

$\delta_b$  is the deformations of the barrier (in mm)

B(3) Where the car park has been designed on the basis that the gross mass of the vehicles using it will not exceed 2500 kg the following values are used to determine the force  $F$ :

$$m = 1500 \text{ kg}$$

$$v = 4.5 \text{ m/s}$$

$$\delta_c = 100 \text{ mm unless better evidence is available.}$$

For a rigid barrier, for which  $\delta_b$  may be given as zero, the characteristic force  $F$  appropriate to vehicles up to 2500 kg gross mass is taken as 150 kN.

B(4) Where the car park has been designed for vehicles whose gross mass exceeds 2500 kg the following values are used to determine the characteristic force  $F$ .

$$m = \text{the actual mass of the vehicle for which the car park is designed (in kg)}$$

$$v = 4.5 \text{ m/s}$$

$$\delta_c = 100 \text{ mm unless better evidence is available}$$

B(5) The force determined as in B (3) or B (4) may be considered to act at bumper height. In the case of car parks intended for vehicles whose gross mass does not exceed 2500 kg this height may be taken as 375 mm above the floor level.

B(6) Barriers to access ramps of car parks have to withstand one half of the force determined in B (3) or B (4) acting at a height of 610 mm above the ramp.

B(7) Opposite the ends of straight ramps intended for downward travel which exceed 20 m in length the barrier has to withstand twice the force determined in B (3) acting at a height of 610 mm above the ramp.



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