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## Foreword

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The main changes are as follows:

- the definitions of “repair” has been updated.

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## Introduction

The repair of defects and deterioration in concrete structures requires complex design work. This document defines the design principles, strategies, remedies and methods for the repair of concrete structures that have suffered or can suffer damage or deterioration. It gives guidance on the choice of repair design principles, strategies, remedies, methods and selection of products and systems which are appropriate for the intended use.

This document identifies key stages in the repair process:

- the need for assessment of the condition of the structure;
- the need for identification of the causes of deterioration;
- evaluating the options for repair and decision-making;
- the selection of the appropriate remedies for repair;
- the selection of methods;
- the definition of properties of products and systems;
- the specification of maintenance requirements following repair.

This document does not deal with matters related to structural design and the verification of structural performance in both deteriorated and repaired condition. The information related to the deteriorated condition is presented in ISO 16311-2.

This document contains [Annex A](#) which provides guidance and background information.



# Maintenance and repair of concrete structures —

## Part 3: Design of repairs

### 1 Scope

This document defines basic considerations and decision-making for the specification of repair remedies, and management strategies for reinforced and unreinforced concrete structures. This document covers only atmospherically exposed structures, and buried or submerged structures, if they can be accessed.

This document specifies repair design principles, and strategies for defects and on-going deterioration including, but not limited to:

- a) mechanical actions, e.g. impact, overloading, movement caused by settlement, blast, vibration and seismic actions;
- b) chemical and biological actions from environments, e.g. sulfate attack, alkali-aggregate reaction;
- c) physical actions, e.g. freeze–thaw, thermal cracking, moisture movement, salt crystallization, fire, and erosion;
- d) reinforcement corrosion;
- e) original construction defects that remained unaddressed from the time of construction.

The execution of maintenance and repairs is covered in ISO 16311-4.

### 2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes requirements of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

ISO 16311-1, *Maintenance and repair of concrete structures — Part 1: General principles*

ISO 16311-2, *Maintenance and repair of concrete structures — Part 2: Assessment of existing concrete structures*

### 3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in ISO 16311-1 and the following apply.

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- ISO Online browsing platform: available at <https://www.iso.org/obp>
- IEC Electropedia: available at <https://www.electropedia.org/>

#### 3.1 defect

fault or deviation from the intended level of performance of a structure or its parts

[SOURCE: ISO 15686-1:2011]