

DRAFT OF A REVISION TO AS 3700, MASONRY STRUCTURES FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

This Standard was prepared by the BD-004 committee to supersede AS 3700—2011.

The principal changes from the 2011 edition of the Standard include the following:

- Removal of 'Table 2.1' and adjacent clause;
- Update to reflect current terminology plus adding stainless steel bar;
- Increased capacity reduction factor for grouted hollow masonry and partially reinforced hollow masonry;
- Detailing of expansion joints;
- Inclusion of provisions for stack bonded masonry;
- Minor changes to ensure consistency with AS 4773;
- New Appendix I on the relationship between ISO 9223 corrosivity categories and durability class. Also includes solutions for wall ties, connectors and accessories, and lintels and shelf angles as provided in AS/NZS 2699.1, AS/NZS 2699.2 and AS/NZS 2699.3 respectively;
- Additions to existing clauses to allow values in table 5.1 to be superseded;
- Design of reinforced masonry members in compression;

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