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## Foreword

This document (CEN/TS 1992-4-1:2009) has been prepared by Technical Committee CEN/TC 250 “Structural Eurocodes”, the secretariat of which is held by BSI.

Attention is drawn to the possibility that some of the elements of this document may be the subject of patent rights. CEN [and/or CENELEC] shall not be held responsible for identifying any or all such patent rights.

This Technical Specification CEN/TS 1992-4-1 — General, describes the general principles and requirements for safety, serviceability and durability of fasteners for use in concrete, together with specific requirements for structures serving as base material for the fasteners. It is based on the limit state concept used in conjunction with a partial factor method.

The numerical values for partial factors and other reliability parameters are recommended values and may be changed in a National Annex, if required. The recommended values apply when:

- a) the fasteners comply with the requirements of 1.2.2, and
- b) the installation complies with the requirements of 4.5.

CEN/TS 1992-4 'Design of fastenings for use in concrete' is subdivided into the following parts:

- *Part 1: General*
- *Part 2: Headed fasteners*
- *Part 3: Anchor channels*
- *Part 4: Post-installed fasteners — Mechanical systems*
- *Part 5: Post-installed fasteners — Chemical systems*

Part 1 is applicable to all products. Special rules applicable to particular products are given in Parts 2 to 5 of the series CEN/TS 1992-4. These Parts should be used only in conjunction with Part 1.

According to the CEN/CENELEC Internal Regulations, the national standards organizations of the following countries are bound to announce this Technical Specification: Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland and the United Kingdom.

### **National Annex for CEN/TS 1992-4-1**

This CEN/TS gives values with notes indicating where national choices may have to be made. When this CEN/TS is made available at national level it may be followed by a National Annex containing all Nationally Determined Parameters to be used for the design of fastenings according to this CEN/TS for use in the relevant country.

National choice of the partial factors and reliability parameters is allowed in design according to this CEN/TS in the following clauses:

- 4.4.2;
- 4.4.3.1.1;

- 4.4.3.1.2;
- 4.4.3.1.3;
- 4.4.3.2;
- 4.4.3.3;
- 5.1.2;
- B.3.1;
- D.2.

## **1 Scope**

### **1.1 General**

**1.1.1** This CEN/TS provides a design method for fasteners for structural purposes, which are used to transmit actions to the concrete.

Inserts embedded in precast concrete elements during production, under FPC conditions and with the due reinforcement, intended for use only during transient situations for lifting and handling, are covered by the CEN/TR "Design and Use of Inserts for Lifting and Handling Precast Concrete Elements", by CEN TC 229.

**1.1.2** This CEN/TS is intended for applications in which the failure of fastenings will:

- 1) result in collapse or partial collapse of the structure, or
- 2) cause risk to human life, or
- 3) lead to significant economic loss.

**1.1.3** The support of the fixture may be either statically determinate or statically indeterminate, defined as multiple anchor use in some European Technical Approvals (ETAs). Each support may consist of one fastener or a group of fasteners.

**1.1.4** This CEN/TS is valid for applications which fall within the scope of the series EN 1992. In applications where special considerations apply, e.g. nuclear power plants or civil defence structures, modifications may be necessary.

**1.1.5** This CEN/TS does not cover the design of the fixture. The design of the fixture shall be carried out to comply with the appropriate Standards. Requirements for stiffness and ductility of the fixture are given in clauses 5 and 8.

### **1.2 Type of fasteners and fastening groups**

**1.2.1** This CEN/TS applies to:

- a) cast-in fasteners such as headed fasteners, anchor channels with rigid connection between fastener and channel;
- b) post-installed anchors such as expansion anchors, undercut anchors, concrete screws, bonded anchors, bonded expansion anchors and bonded undercut anchors.

For other types of fasteners modifications of the design provisions may be necessary.

**1.2.2** This CEN/TS applies to fasteners with established suitability for the specified application in concrete covered by provisions, which refer to this CEN/TS and provide data required by this CEN/TS. The necessary data are listed in Parts 2 to 5.

**NOTE** Where there is no European Standard for a particular fastener which refers specifically to the use of this fastener or where the fastener deviates significantly from the European Standard, the establishment of suitability may result from:

- a) European Technical Approval (ETA) which refers specifically to the use of the fastener in concrete;
- b) relevant national standard or provision which refers specifically to the use of the fastener in concrete;
- c) documentation of the fastener should include the characteristic resistance of the fastener and consider effects influencing the reliability of fasteners both during installation and in service life under sustained and variable loads, as well as the sensitivity to possible deviations on any of the factors of importance.



d) Factors to be addressed are:

- 1) Installation conditions in concrete on site.
- 2) Drilling method and drill bit diameter in case of post-installed fasteners.
- 3) Bore hole cleaning.
- 4) Installation tools.
- 5) Sustained (long term) and variable loads on the fastener.
- 6) Variable loads on the concrete structure (crack cycling).
- 7) Crack width in the concrete structure.
- 8) Environmental conditions such as air pollution, alkalinity, aggressive environment, humidity, concrete-installation temperature, service temperature...
- 9) Location of fasteners in the concrete component.
- 10) Minimum dimensions of the structural component.

In addition to the assumptions of EN 1992-1-1 it is assumed that both the design and execution of fastening systems in concrete structures is carried out by personnel having the appropriate skill and experience.

**1.2.3** This CEN/TS applies to single fasteners and groups of fasteners. In a fastening group the loads are applied to the individual fasteners of the group by means of a common fixture. In this CEN/TS it is assumed that in a fastening group only fasteners of the same type and size are used.

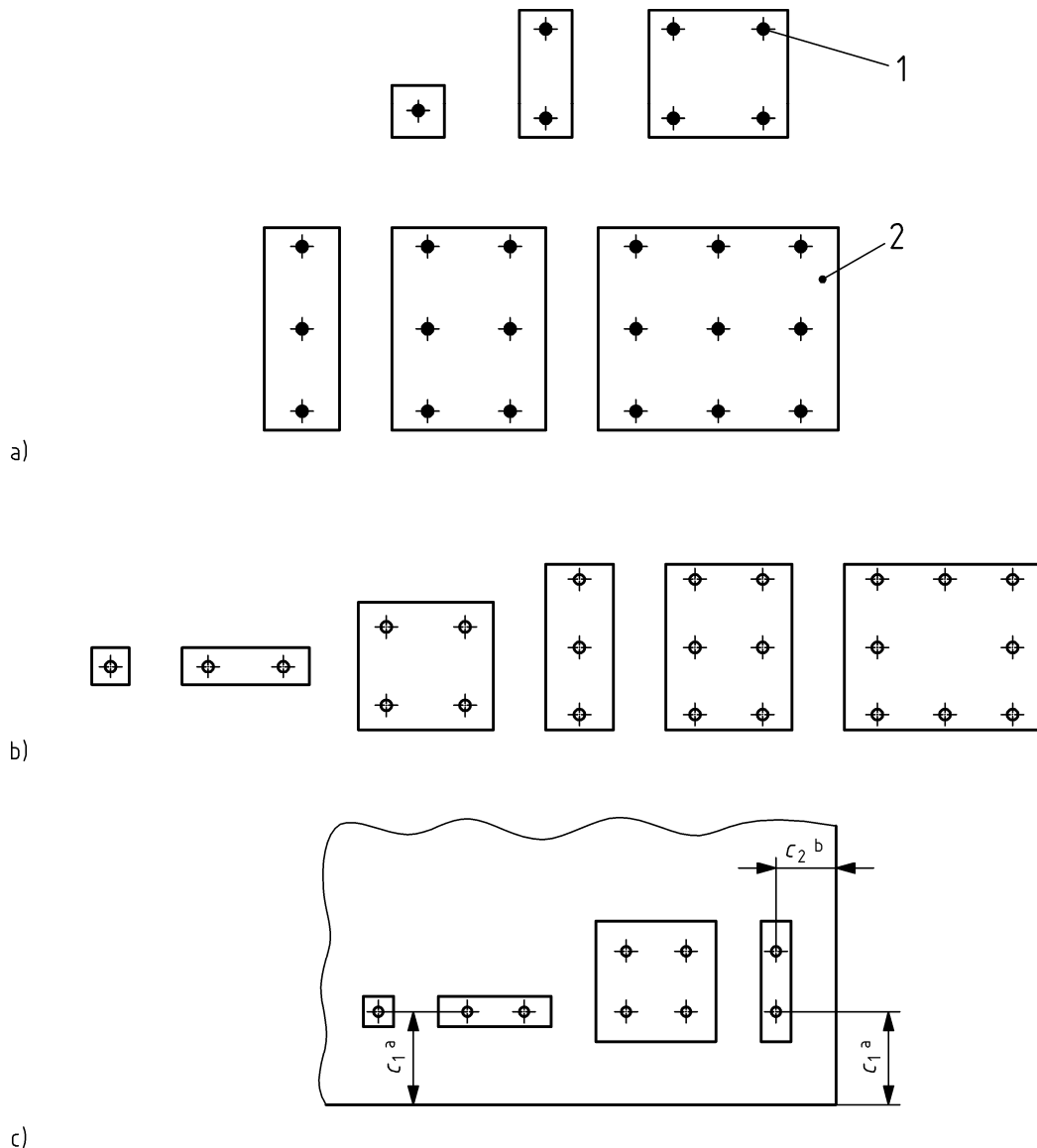
The configurations of fasteners (cast-in place headed fasteners and post-installed fasteners) covered by this CEN/TS are shown in Figure 1.

Distinction is to be made between fastenings with and without hole clearance.

The following applications may be considered to have no hole clearance:

- a) bolts are welded to the fixture or screwed into the fixture, or
- b) any gap between the fastener and the fixture is filled with mortar of sufficient compression strength or eliminated by other suitable means;

For anchor channels the number of fasteners is not limited.

**Key**

- 1 Fastener  
2 Steel plate

- a) Fastenings without hole clearance, all edge distances  
b) Fastenings with hole clearance situated far from edges  
c) Fastenings with hole clearance situated near to an edge

$$^a \quad c_1 < 10 h_{ef} \text{ or } c_1 < 60 d_{nom}$$

$$^b \quad c_2 < 10 h_{ef} \text{ or } c_2 < 60 d_{nom}$$

**Figure 1 — Configuration of fastenings with headed and post-installed fasteners**

### 1.3 Fastener dimensions and materials

**1.3.1** This CEN/TS applies to fasteners with a minimum diameter or a minimum thread size of 6 mm (M6) or a corresponding cross section. In general, the minimum embedment depth should be:  $h_{ef} \geq 40$  mm. The actual value for a particular fastener might be taken from the relevant European Technical Specification.

**1.3.2** This CEN/TS covers metal fasteners made of either carbon steel (ISO 898), stainless steel (EN 10088, ISO 3506) or malleable cast iron (ISO 5922). The surface of the steel may be coated or uncoated. The fasteners may include non-load bearing material e.g. plastic parts. This document is valid for fasteners with a

nominal steel tensile strength  $f_{uk} \leq 1000 \text{ N/mm}^2$ . The binding material of bonded fasteners may be made primarily of resin, cement or a combination of the two. In addition inorganic fillers may be used.

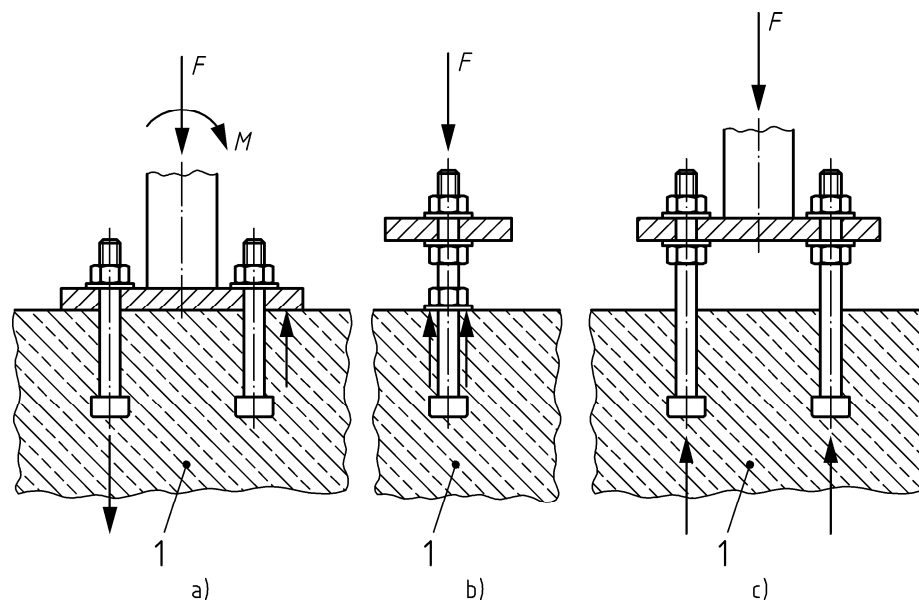
## 1.4 Fastener loading

### 1.4.1 Type of loading

Loading on the fastenings may be static, cyclic (causing fatigue failure) and seismic. The suitability of the fastener type to resist either cyclic or seismic loading is stated in the relevant European Technical Specification.

### 1.4.2 Direction of loading

The loading on the fastener resulting from the actions on the fixture (e.g. tension, shear, bending or torsion moments or any combination thereof) will generally be axial tension and/or shear. When the shear force is applied with a lever arm a bending moment on the fastener will arise. Any axial compression on the fixture should be transmitted to the concrete either without acting on the fastener or via fasteners suitable for resisting compression (Figure 2).



#### Key

1 concrete

- a), b) fasteners not loaded in compression;  
 in Figure (a) the compression force is transferred by the fixture and  
 in Figure (b) by the washer  
 c) fasteners loaded in compression

**Figure 2 — Examples of fastenings loaded by a bending moment and a compression force**

## 1.5 Concrete strength

This document is valid for members using normal weight concrete with strength classes in the range C12/15 to C90/105 all in accordance with EN 206-1. The range of concrete strength classes in which particular fasteners may be used is given in the relevant European Technical Specification and may be more restrictive than stated above.

## 1.6 Concrete member loading

If the concrete member is subjected to cyclic or seismic loading certain types of fasteners may not be allowed. This is stated in the corresponding European Technical Specification.

## 2 Normative references

This European 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 European Standard only when incorporated in it by amendment or revision. For undated references the latest edition of the publication referred to applies.

**NOTE** The following references to Eurocodes are references to European Standards and European Prestandards. These are the only European documents available at the time of publication of this CEN/TS. National documents take precedence until Eurocodes are published as European Standards.

EN 206-1, *Concrete — Part 1: Specification, performance, production and conformity*

EN 1990:2002, *Eurocode — Basis of structural design*

EN 1992-1-1:2004, *Eurocode 2: Design of concrete structures — Part 1-1: General rules and rules for buildings*

EN 1993-1-1:2005, *Eurocode 3: Design of steel structures — Part 1-1: General rules and rules for buildings*

EN 1993-1-8:2005, *Eurocode 3: Design of steel structures — Part 1-8: Design of joints*

EN 1994-1-1:2004, *Eurocode 4: Design of composite steel and concrete structures — Part 1-1: General rules and rules for buildings*

EN 1998-1:2004, *Eurocode 8: Design of structures for earthquake resistance — Part 1: General rules, seismic actions and rules for buildings*

EN 10002-1, *Metallic materials — Tensile testing — Part 1: Method of test at ambient temperature*

EN 10080, *Steel for the reinforcement of concrete — Weldable reinforcing steel — General*

EN 10088-2, *Stainless steels — Part 2: Technical delivery conditions for sheet/plate and strip of corrosion resisting steels for general purposes*

EN 10088-3, *Stainless steels — Part 3: Technical delivery conditions for semi-finished products, bars, rods, wire, sections and bright products of corrosion resisting steels for general purposes*

EN 12390-2, *Testing hardened concrete — Part 2: Making and curing specimens for strength tests*

EN 12390-3, *Testing hardened concrete — Part 3: Compressive strength of test specimens*

EN 12390-7, *Testing hardened concrete — Part 7: Density of hardened concrete*

EN 12504-1, *Testing concrete in structures — Part 1: Cored specimens — Taking, examining and testing in compression*

EN 13501-2, *Fire classification of construction products and building elements — Part 2: Classification using data from fire resistance tests, excluding ventilation services*

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