

PROPOSED DRAFT October 2015

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B. Liquid Membrane-Forming Curing Compound. Furnish and uniformly apply a liquid membrane-forming curing compound in accordance with Subsection 717.01.3 or 717.01.4 over exposed surfaces.

Deliver membrane-curing compound to the job in the manufacturer's original container, clearly labeled with the manufacturer's name and contents.

The compound must be ready to use as shipped by the manufacturer. Do not dilute the compound.

Do not use curing compound without providing the Project Manager a manufacturer's product data sheet.

Use white-pigmented compound for pavements.

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551.03.8 Testing and Acceptance of Concrete

- A. Pre-testing of Concrete (Classes Structure, Deck and Overlay).** Pre-testing is not required for concrete placements smaller than 7 cubic yards (m³). The Department will perform pre-tests for air content and slump at the start of each concrete production run and any time there is a significant change in the pumping configuration or concrete placement as determined by the Project Manager. Meet the following requirements:
1. Discharge and waste a minimum of 0.25 cubic yards (0.2 cubic meters) of concrete.
 2. Collect a sample.
 3. If slump and air content pre-tests indicate the sampled concrete meets applicable specifications, placement may begin.
 4. If a pre-test produces a failing result, the truck may be dosed with approved admixtures included in the mix design, in accordance with Subsection 551.03.3(H).
 5. If the pre-test again produces a failing result, the truck will be rejected. The testing process will be repeated on subsequent trucks until passing air and slump results are achieved. Pre-test results are not used for concrete lot acceptance.
- B. Sampling and Testing.** Furnish an adequate and representative sample of concrete in accordance with MT 105 from the point of placement to an area designated by the Project Manager for testing of concrete properties and molding of test specimens. Do not drop or agitate samples. The sampling and transport must be witnessed by the Department. The Department will take possession of the sample and begin the following applicable tests.
1. **Compressive Strength Testing.** Furnish samples for determining compressive strength following MT 105. Test cylinders will be cast and cured following MT 101 and tested in accordance with AASHTO T 22 at a frequency determined by MT 601. Test cylinders for SCC will be cast and cured in accordance with MT 117. Compressive strength tests may be molded at any time if inconsistency between batches is identified or suspected. A compressive strength set consists of 4 test cylinders made at the same time from the same batch of concrete. Tests for plastic properties will also be run from the same sample used for compressive strength tests.

The Contractor may make additional cylinders to determine strength gain and to maintain job control. Make additional cylinders anytime strengths must be determined before 7 days for cure times, form removal, post-tensioning, or any other scenario requiring field-cured strength tests.

Standard compressive strength tests will be made at 7 and 28 days, except as specified below for concrete used in prestressed members.

The compressive strength results of the cylinders tested will determine if the concrete meets the required compressive strength in Table 551-3 or specified in the contract.
 2. **Testing of Plastic Concrete.** Perform quality control sampling/testing during the concrete placement, including air content, temperature, and slump to maintain job control.

Furnish samples for determining slump, air, and temperature in accordance with MT 105. Slump will be tested in accordance with MT 104. Air content will be determined in accordance with MT 102. Temperature will be tested in accordance with ASTM C1064 at a frequency determined in accordance with MT 601. Plastic properties tests may be run at any time if inconsistency between batches is identified or suspected.

Slump flow and air content for SCC will be evaluated in accordance with MT 116 and MT 118.

Plastic concrete will also be subjected to a visual test for segregation. If segregation is identified by a "halo", bleeding, aggregate agglomerations, or aggregate settlement (identified by a high sheen or bubbling) during the slump test, do not place the concrete. Take immediate steps to resolve the problem. Remove and replace any concrete placed showing signs of segregation at no expense to the department.

3. **Flexural Strength Testing.** In addition to the compressive strength requirements, Class Pave hydraulic cement concrete pavements require beam tests to determine the concrete's flexural strength.

The number of flexural strength tests required for acceptance is determined by the Department on a random basis. The flexural strength results from 1 or a combination of the beams tested will be used to determine whether the concrete meets the required flexural strength specified in Table 551-3.

Flexural beams made in the field will be cast and cured in accordance with MT 101 and tested in accordance with AASHTO T 97.

4. **Durability Testing.** When applicable, furnish samples for determining permeability following MT 105. Test cylinders will be cast and cured following MT 101 and tested in accordance with AASHTO T 358.

The Department may test hardened air content in accordance with ASTM C457 for acceptance.

5. **Gradations.** Samples for determining gradations of aggregates for concrete will be sampled in accordance with MT 201 and tested in accordance with MT 202. Combined gradations are determined in accordance with MT 215.

- C. **Acceptance of Concrete.** The concrete must meet all contract specifications and the following:

1. **Classes General, Deck, Pave, Structure, Overlay and Drilled Shaft Concrete.**

These classes of concrete are evaluated for acceptance on a lot-by-lot basis.

An individual lot is defined as a single day's pour or every 200 yd³ (150 m³) of concrete poured (i.e. 200 yd³ = 1 lot, 400 yd³ = 2 lots, etc.) whichever is less, excluding Class Pave. An individual lot of Class Pave concrete is defined as a single day's pour or every 1,000 yd³ (750 m³) of concrete poured, whichever is less. Each lot is accepted or rejected based on the lot acceptance air tests, strength tests, gradation tests and when applicable, permeability tests. The pay factors for each lot accepted are determined from Table 551-5, 551-6, 551-7 and 551-8.

The overall lot pay factor (OLPF) will be calculated for each bid item that has concrete as a component poured on the project and will be applied as a line item adjustment on the estimate.

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Except for concrete barrier rail, pay factors will not be calculated for precast items. Concrete barrier rail will be tested and accepted the same as cast in place items.

- a. Strength.** A minimum of 2 standard compressive strength sets will be made for each lot. Each set will be made from concrete taken from a separate batch or load randomly selected from all loads or batches in the lot. For a lot less than 30 cubic yards (23 m³), the Project Manager may elect to make 1 set of compressive strength cylinders to represent that lot.

Three cylinders from each set of cylinders are tested for compressive strength at 28 days and the fourth is tested at 7 days. The test result is the average of the strengths of the 3 individual 28 day cylinder specimens unless an outlier is identified.

The Department will analyze the test results for outliers. The results of the 2 specimens with the closest compressive strengths will be averaged. If the strength result of the remaining cylinder differs by more than 10% from that average, it will be considered an outlier. If an outlier is identified, that specimen will be removed and, the average strength of the set will be determined using the remaining 2 specimens.

The lot acceptance strength is the average of all sets for the lot.

**TABLE 551-5
CONCRETE STRENGTH PAY FACTORS**

Strength Pay Factors Classes Deck, Overlay, Structure, General, Pave, and Drilled Shaft Concrete lot acceptance strength, x psi (1 psi = 6.9 kPa)	
strength, x (psi)	strength pay factor, PF_s
x ≥ 4,000	$PF_s = 1.0$
4,000 > x ≥ 3,500	$PF_s = 1.0 - \frac{0.15(4000 - x)}{500}$
3,500 > x ≥ 2,800	$PF_s = 0.85 - \frac{0.85(3500 - x)}{700}$
2,800 > x	PF _s = 0, remove and replace

The pay factors shown will be used when the department determines the concrete is acceptable at less than the specified strength. The Department may require removal and replacement or corrective action for any concrete not in accordance with the required strength.

- b. Air Content** Concrete air content will be determined in accordance with MT 102 or ASTM C457 on the same sample used to make the compression test cylinders for acceptance and on samples taken according to MT 601. A separate air content pay factor will be computed for each test result and the lot air content pay factor will be the average of the individual test result pay factors. The pay factor for each lot based on air content is determined from Table 551-6.

**TABLE 551-6
AIR CONTENT PAY FACTORS**

Lot Acceptance, Air Content			
Classes General, Pave, Deck, Overlay, and Structure Concrete		Used when mix design incorporates $\geq 1\frac{1}{2}$ -inch nominal maximum aggregate gradation	
Air content, x (%)	Air content pay factor, PF_{AC}	Air content, x (%)	Air content pay factor, PF_{AC}
$x \geq 5.5\%$	$PF_{AC} = 1.0$	$x \geq 4.5\%$	$PF_{AC} = 1.0$
$5.5\% > x \geq 4.5\%$	$PF_{AC} = 1.0 - 0.1(5.5 - x)$	$4.5\% > x \geq 4.0\%$	$PF_{AC} = 1.0 - 0.2(4.5 - x)$
$4.5\% > x \geq 3.0\%$	$PF_{AC} = 0.9 - 0.6(4.5 - x)$	$4.0\% > x \geq 2.5\%$	$PF_{AC} = 0.9 - 0.6(4.0 - x)$
$3.0\% > x$	Remove and Replace	$2.5\% > x$	Remove and Replace

The pay factors shown will be used when the department determines the air content of the in-place concrete is acceptable at percentages less than specified. The Department may require removal and replacement or corrective action for any concrete not in accordance with the required air contents.

In addition to the air content pay factor, coating concrete with an approved penetrating epoxy sealer at no cost to the Department will be required any time concrete having an air content less than 4.0% (3.5% for concrete containing $1\frac{1}{2}$ -inch nominal aggregate) for Classes Deck, Overlay, and Structure concrete allowed to remain in place.

Air content pay factors will not be used on Class Drilled Shaft concrete.

- c. **Permeability.** Concrete permeability will be determined at 28 days in accordance with AASHTO T 358 (Table 551-7). At least one set of compressive strength cylinders per lot will also be tested for permeability. The lot acceptance permeability is the average of the test results for the lot. The pay factor for each lot based on permeability is determined from Table 551-7.

**TABLE 551-7
CONCRETE PERMEABILITY PAY FACTORS (COULOMBS)**

Lot Acceptance, Permeability, x ($k\Omega\text{-cm}$) Classes Deck and Overlay ¹	
lot chloride permeability test result, x ($k\Omega\text{-cm}$)	permeability pay factor, PF_p
$x \geq 29$	$PF_p = 1.05$
$29 > x \geq 21$	$PF_p = 1.05 - \frac{0.05(29 - x)}{8}$
$21 > x \geq 16$	$PF_p = 1.00 - \frac{0.30(21 - x)}{5}$
$16 > x$	0.70

Note 1: If Class Structure is specified for a bridge deck, the incentive may be paid, but no deduction will occur for permeability results.

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The pay factors shown will be used when the department determines the permeability of the in-place concrete is acceptable with results less than specified. The Department may require removal and replacement or corrective action for any concrete not in accordance with the required permeability.

- d. Gradation.** Concrete aggregate gradations will be determined in accordance with MT 202 or MT 215, if applicable. A minimum of one gradation test will be performed per 200 cubic yards (150 m³) excluding class Pave. The test result will be used in the OLPF calculation for each lot of concrete placed within that 200 cubic yards (150 m³). For class Pave, a minimum of one gradation test will be performed per 1000 cubic yards (750 m³).

- 1) Conventional Gradations.** For concrete designed with conventional gradations, the Department will calculate the pay factor for the gradation using the following formula.

$$PF_G = 1.0 - \frac{(x)}{1000}$$

Where:

x = The sum of the individual percentages out of range on each aggregate fraction.

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$$PF_G = 1.0 - \frac{0.25(x) + 2(y)}{250}$$

Where:

x = The sum of percentages out of tolerance on each individual aggregate fraction (**rounded** to the whole number).

y = Percentage out of tolerance on the No. 200 (0.075 mm) sieve fraction (reported to the tenth of a percent).

PF = Pay Factor

If all gradation tests in the lot produce passing results, the following pay factor will be used:

$$PF_G=1.02$$

The following formulas are used to calculate the OLPF and unit price adjustment ADJ. All pay factors (PF_S, PF_P, PF_{AC}, and PF_G) must be 1.00 or greater for the production lot to be eligible for positive ADJ (incentive). If any individually calculated pay factor (PF_S, PF_P, PF_{AC}, and PF_G) is less than 1.00, the maximum value for its companion pay factor (PF_S, PF_P, PF_{AC}, and PF_G) to be used in the OLPF calculation for the respective production lot will not exceed 1.00. No OLPF can exceed 1.07.

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$$OLPF = PF_S \times PF_{AC} \times PF_P \times PF_G$$

$$ADJ = (OLPF - 1) \times Price$$

Where

ADJ = Price adjustment per pay unit to be applied to the production lot quantity

Price = Contract unit price for the pay item

If a pay factor is not applicable to a specific class of concrete, the pay factor (PF) will be 1.00. Use Table 551-9 to determine pay factors applicable to specific classes of concrete.

**TABLE 551-9
PAY FACTORS FOR CONCRETE**

PF Type	Deck	Overlay	Structure	General	Drilled Shaft	Pave
PF _S	X	X	X	X	X	X
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Do not apply membrane-curing compound to construction joint surfaces. Protect exposed steel during application of curing compounds.

551.03.8 Testing and Acceptance of Concrete

- A.** Pre-testing of Concrete (Classes Structure, Deck and Overlay). Pre-testing is not required for concrete placements smaller than 7 cubic yards (m³). The Department will perform pre-tests for air content and slump at the start of each concrete production run and any time there is a significant change in the pumping configuration or concrete placement as determined by the Project Manager. Meet the following requirements:
1. Discharge and waste a minimum of 0.25 cubic yards (0.2 cubic meters) of concrete.
 2. Collect a sample.
 3. If slump and air content pre-tests indicate the sampled concrete meets applicable specifications, placement may begin.
 4. If a pre-test produces a failing result, the truck may be dosed with approved admixtures included in the mix design, in accordance with Subsection 551.03.3(H).

5. If the pre-test again produces a failing result, the truck will be rejected. The testing process will be repeated on subsequent trucks until passing air and slump results are achieved. Pre-test results are not used for concrete lot acceptance.

B. Sampling and Testing. Furnish an adequate and representative sample of concrete in accordance with MT 105 from the point of placement to an area designated by the Project Manager for testing of concrete properties and molding of test specimens. Do not drop or agitate samples. The sampling and transport must be witnessed by the Department. The Department will take possession of the sample and begin the following applicable tests.

1. **Compressive Strength Testing.** Furnish samples for determining compressive strength following MT 105. Test cylinders will be cast and cured following MT 101 and tested in accordance with AASHTO T 22 at a frequency determined by MT 601. Test cylinders for SCC will be cast and cured in accordance with MT 117. Compressive strength tests may be molded at any time if inconsistency between batches is identified or suspected. A compressive strength set consists of 4 test cylinders made at the same time from the same batch of concrete. Tests for plastic properties will also be run from the same sample used for compressive strength tests.

The Contractor may make additional cylinders to determine strength gain and to maintain job control. Make additional cylinders anytime strengths must be determined before 7 days for cure times, form removal, post-tensioning, or any other scenario requiring field-cured strength tests.

Standard compressive strength tests will be made at 7 and 28 days, except as specified below for concrete used in prestressed members.

The compressive strength results of the cylinders tested will determine if the concrete meets the required compressive strength in Table 551-3 or specified in the contract.

2. **Testing of Plastic Concrete.** Perform quality control sampling/testing during the concrete placement, including air content, temperature, and slump to maintain job control.

Furnish samples for determining slump, air, and temperature in accordance with MT 105. Slump will be tested in accordance with MT 104. Air content will be determined in accordance with MT 102. Temperature will be tested in accordance with ASTM C1064 at a frequency determined in accordance with MT 601. Plastic properties tests may be run at any time if inconsistency between batches is identified or suspected.

Slump flow and air content for SCC will be evaluated in accordance with MT 116 and MT 118.

Plastic concrete will also be subjected to a visual test for segregation. If segregation is identified by a "halo", bleeding, aggregate agglomerations, or aggregate settlement (identified by a high sheen or bubbling) during the slump test, do not place the concrete. Take immediate steps to resolve the problem. Remove and replace any concrete placed showing signs of segregation at no expense to the department.

- 3. Flexural Strength Testing.** In addition to the compressive strength requirements, Class Pave hydraulic cement concrete pavements require beam tests to determine the concrete's flexural strength.

The number of flexural strength tests required for acceptance is determined by the Department on a random basis. The flexural strength results from 1 or a combination of the beams tested will be used to determine whether the concrete meets the required flexural strength specified in Table 551-3.

Flexural beams made in the field will be cast and cured in accordance with MT 101 and tested in accordance with AASHTO T 97.

- 4. Durability Testing.** When applicable, furnish samples for determining permeability following MT 105. Test cylinders will be cast and cured following MT 101 and tested in accordance with AASHTO T 358.

The Department may test hardened air content in accordance with ASTM C457 for acceptance.

- 5. Gradations.** Samples for determining gradations of aggregates for concrete will be sampled in accordance with MT 201 and tested in accordance with MT 202.

Combined gradations are determined in accordance with MT 215.

- C. Acceptance of Concrete.** The concrete must meet all contract specifications and the following:

- 1. Classes General, Deck, Pave, Structure, Overlay and Drilled Shaft Concrete.**

These classes of concrete are evaluated for acceptance on a lot-by-lot basis.

An individual lot is defined as a single day's pour or every 200 yd³ (150 m³) of concrete poured (i.e. 200 yd³ = 1 lot, 400 yd³ = 2 lots, etc.) whichever is less, excluding Class Pave. An individual lot of Class Pave concrete is defined as a single day's pour or every 1,000 yd³ (750 m³) of concrete poured, whichever is less. Each lot is accepted or rejected based on the lot acceptance air tests, strength tests, gradation tests and when applicable, permeability tests. The pay factors for each lot accepted are determined from Table 551-5, 551-6, 551-7 and 551-8.

The overall lot pay factor (OLPF) will be calculated for each bid item that has concrete as a component poured on the project and will be applied as a line item adjustment on the estimate.

Except for concrete barrier rail, pay factors will not be calculated for precast items. Concrete barrier rail will be tested and accepted the same as cast in place items.

- a. Strength.** A minimum of 2 standard compressive strength sets will be made for each lot. Each set will be made from concrete taken from a separate batch or load randomly selected from all loads or batches in the lot. For a lot less than 30 cubic yards (23 m³), the Project Manager may elect to make 1 set of compressive strength cylinders to represent that lot.

Three cylinders from each set of cylinders are tested for compressive strength at 28 days and the fourth is tested at 7 days. The test result is the average of the strengths of the 3 individual 28 day cylinder specimens unless an outlier is identified.

The Department will analyze the test results for outliers. The results of the 2 specimens with the closest compressive strengths will be averaged. If the strength result of the remaining cylinder differs by more than 10% from that

average, it will be considered an outlier. If an outlier is identified, that specimen will be removed and, the average strength of the set will be determined using the remaining 2 specimens.

The lot acceptance strength is the average of all sets for the lot.

**TABLE 551-5
CONCRETE STRENGTH PAY FACTORS**

Strength Pay Factors Classes Deck, Overlay, Structure, General, Pave, and Drilled Shaft Concrete lot acceptance strength, x psi (1 psi = 6.9 kPa)	
strength, x (psi)	strength pay factor, PF_s
$x \geq 4,000$	$PF_s = 1.00$
$4,000 > x \geq 3,500$	$PF_s = 1.00 - \frac{0.15(4000 - x)}{500}$
$3,500 > x \geq 2,800$	$PF_s = 0.85 - \frac{0.85(3500 - x)}{700}$
$2,800 > x$	$PF_s = 0$, remove and replace

The pay factors shown will be used when the department determines the concrete is acceptable at less than the specified strength. The Department may require removal and replacement or corrective action for any concrete not in accordance with the required strength.

- b. Air Content** Concrete air content will be determined in accordance with MT 102 or ASTM C457 on the same sample used to make the compression test cylinders for acceptance and on samples taken according to MT 601. A separate air content pay factor will be computed for each test result and the lot air content pay factor will be the average of the individual test result pay factors. The pay factor for each lot based on air content is determined from Table 551-6.

**TABLE 551-6
AIR CONTENT PAY FACTORS**

Lot Acceptance, Air Content			
Classes General, Pave, Deck, Overlay, and Structure Concrete		Used when mix design incorporates $\geq 1\frac{1}{2}$ -inch nominal maximum aggregate gradation	
Air content, x (%)	Air content pay factor, PF _{AC}	Air content, x (%)	Air content pay factor, PF _{AC}
$x \geq 5.5\%$	$PF_{AC} = 1.00$	$x \geq 4.5\%$	$PF_{AC} = 1.00$
$5.5\% > x \geq 4.5\%$	$PF_{AC} = 1.00 - 0.10(5.5 - x)$	$4.5\% > x \geq 4.0\%$	$PF_{AC} = 1.00 - 0.20(4.5 - x)$
$4.5\% > x \geq 3.0\%$	$PF_{AC} = 0.90 - 0.60(4.5 - x)$	$4.0\% > x \geq 2.5\%$	$PF_{AC} = 0.90 - 0.60(4.0 - x)$
$3.0\% > x$	Remove and Replace	$2.5\% > x$	Remove and Replace

The pay factors shown will be used when the department determines the air content of the in-place concrete is acceptable at percentages less than specified.

The Department may require removal and replacement or corrective action for any concrete not in accordance with the required air contents.

In addition to the air content pay factor, coating concrete with an approved penetrating epoxy sealer at no cost to the Department will be required any time concrete having an air content less than 4.0% (3.5% for concrete containing 1½-inch nominal aggregate) for Classes Deck, Overlay, and Structure concrete allowed to remain in place.

Air content pay factors will not be used on Class Drilled Shaft concrete.

- c. **Permeability.** Concrete permeability will be determined at 28 days in accordance with AASHTO T 358 (Table 551-7). At least one set of compressive strength cylinders per lot will also be tested for permeability. The lot acceptance permeability is the average of the test results for the lot. The pay factor for each lot based on permeability is determined from Table 551-7.

**TABLE 551-7
CONCRETE PERMEABILITY PAY FACTORS**

Lot Acceptance, Permeability, x (kΩ-cm) Classes Deck and Overlay ¹	
lot chloride permeability test result, x (kΩ-cm)	permeability pay factor, PF _p
x ≥ 29	$PF_p = 1.05$
29 > x ≥ 21	$PF_p = 1.05 - \frac{0.05(29 - x)}{8}$
21 > x ≥ 16	$PF_p = 1.00 - \frac{0.30(21 - x)}{5}$
16 > x	0.70

Note 1: If Class Structure is specified for a bridge deck, the incentive may be paid, but no deduction will occur for permeability results.

The pay factors shown will be used when the department determines the permeability of the in-place concrete is acceptable with results less than specified. The Department may require removal and replacement or corrective action for any concrete not in accordance with the required permeability.

- d. **Gradation.** Concrete aggregate gradations will be determined in accordance with MT 202 or MT 215, if applicable. A minimum of one gradation test will be performed per 200 cubic yards (150 m³) excluding class Pave. The test result will be used in the OLPF calculation for each lot of concrete placed within that 200 cubic yards (150 m³). For class Pave, a minimum of one gradation test will be performed per 1000 cubic yards (750 m³).

- 3) **Conventional Gradations.** For concrete designed with conventional gradations, the Department will calculate the pay factor for the gradation using the following formula.

$$PF_G = 1.00 - \frac{(x)}{1000}$$

Where:

x = The sum of the individual percentages out of range on each aggregate fraction.

PF = Pay Factor

- 4) **Optimized Gradations.** For concrete designed with optimized gradations the Department will calculate the pay factor for the gradation using the following formula

$$PF_G = 1.00 - \frac{0.25(x) + 2(y)}{250}$$

Where:

x = The sum of percentages out of tolerance on each individual aggregate fraction (each rounded to the whole number).

y = Percentage out of tolerance on the No. 200 (0.075 mm) sieve fraction (rounded to the tenth of a percent).

PF = Pay Factor

If all gradation tests in the lot produce passing results, the following pay factor will be used:

$$PF_G=1.02$$

The following formulas are used to calculate the OLPF and unit price adjustment ADJ. All pay factors (PF_S , PF_P , PF_{AC} , and PF_G) must be 1.00 or greater for the production lot to be eligible for positive ADJ (incentive). If any individually calculated pay factor (PF_S , PF_P , PF_{AC} , and PF_G) is less than 1.00, the maximum value for its companion pay factor (PF_S , PF_P , PF_{AC} , and PF_G) to be used in the OLPF calculation for the respective production lot will not exceed 1.00. No OLPF can exceed 1.07.

$$OLPF = PF_S \times PF_{AC} \times PF_P \times PF_G$$

$$ADJ = (OLPF - 1) \times Price$$

Where

ADJ = Price adjustment per pay unit to be applied to the production lot quantity

Price = Contract unit price for the pay item

If a pay factor is not applicable to a specific class of concrete, the pay factor (PF) will be 1.00. Use Table 551-9 to determine pay factors applicable to specific classes of concrete.

**TABLE 551-9
PAY FACTORS FOR CONCRETE**

PF Type	Deck	Overlay	Structure	General	Drilled Shaft	Pave
PF _S	X	X	X	X	X	X
PF _{AC}	X	X	X	X		X
PF _P	X	X				
PF _G	X	X	X	X	X	X