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**ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTION (MIET) No. 10/2023 FOR SETTING THE CONDITIONS FOR PLACING ON THE MARKET
PREFABRICATED CONCRETE PRODUCTS - RETAINING WALL ELEMENTS**

Minister of the Ministry of Industry, Entrepreneurship and Trade,

On the basis of Article 50 of the Law no. 06/L-033 on Construction Products (Official Gazette of the Republic of Kosovo / No. 21 / 05 December May 2018), Article 11 paragraph 1. sub-paragraph 1.3 of Law no. 08/L-117 on the Government of the Republic of Kosovo, Annex 12 of Regulation Nr.14/2023 for the areas of administrative responsibility of the Office of the Prime Minister and Ministries and Article 38, paragraph 6 of the Rules of Procedure of the Government no. 09/2011 (Official Gazette No. 15, 12.09.2011),

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Article 1

Purpose

This Administrative Instruction defines the specific technical requirements for the placement of retaining wall elements as prefabricated concrete products in the market of the Republic of Kosovo.

Article 2

Scope

This Administrative Instruction defines the technical specifications of the elements of the retaining walls as prefabricated concrete products and the system that is applied for the assessment and verification of the stability of the performance (AVCP), the procedure by which the performance is declared as well as the requirements for marking these products with the conformity mark.

Article 3

Requirements for the placing on the market of retaining wall elements as prefabricated concrete products

1. Elements of load-bearing walls as prefabricated concrete products, except for those bearing the CE mark, shall be subject to the following requirements:

1.1. Retaining wall elements as precast concrete products must comply with the requirements of standard SK EN 15258:2019: precast concrete products - elements of retaining walls, or equivalent standards, and the requirements of standard SK EN 13369: Rules of general for precast concrete products (*latest versions including any amendments or corrections*);

1.2. The manufacturer must draw up the declaration of performance using the model defined in Annex 1 of Administrative Instruction No. 03/2019 for the Basic Requirements for Construction Works, the Declaration of Performance of Construction Products, the Systems of Evaluation and Verification of the Durability of Performance of Construction Products and the Publication of the Declaration of Performance on the Website;

1.3. Characteristics and mandatory performance levels/classes are declared by the manufacturer in accordance with Annex 1 of this Administrative Instruction;

1.4. Optional performance characteristics or levels/classes may be declared at the manufacturer's option, in accordance with Annex 2 of this Administrative Instruction;

1.5. The system for evaluating and verifying the sustainability of performance is as follows:

	Characteristics)
AVCP 2+ system according to Annex III of this Administrative Instruction, Manufacturer's Declaration of Performance	According to Annex 1 and 2 of this Administrative Instruction

1.6. Products that comply with these provisions must be marked with the CE mark (if the manufacturer has used one or more Notified Bodies), the Kosovo conformity mark (if the manufacturer has used one or more Nominated Bodies), or the equivalent conformity mark from another country in accordance with the basic legislation in force for conformity mark;

1.7. Manufacturers must ensure that all tests carried out by the accredited testing laboratory (including tests carried out by themselves) are fully compliant with the requirements of the applicable product standard, that the appropriate AVCP system is implemented and that the performance is declared in accordance with Annexes 1 and 2 of this Administrative Instruction.

Article 4

Changes in the introductory provisions and Annex ZA of the relevant SK EN for placing on the market the elements of retaining walls as prefabricated concrete products

1. Until the European version of EN 15258:2008, or the adapted national standard will be changed, taking into account the provisions of the EU Regulation on construction products and/or the law, the following provisions given in Annex ZA of the standards published will be replaced by the following:

1.1. references to "Directive(s)" and "Construction Products Directive" in the Foreword are replaced by "Regulation(s) and/or Directives" and "Construction Products Regulation";

1.2. all references to the "Construction Products Directive" and "89/106 / EEC" will be replaced by the "Construction Products Regulation" and "305/2011/EU";

1.3. "Other requirements and EU directives, which do not affect durability for intended use", in *WARNING* of ZA.1 will be replaced by "Other requirements and EU legislation, not related to the performance of products";

1.4. all references to "conformity attestation" and "initial type testing" in ZA.2 shall be replaced by "assessment and verification of constancy of performance" and "product type testing determination";

1.5. "ZA.2.2 Declaration of Conformity" will not apply. A statement of performance (DoP) will be drawn up in accordance with the model given in Administrative Instruction 03/2019;

1.6. the example of the CE mark given in figures ZA.1 and ZA.2 of ZA.3 will not be implemented. The CE marking requirements of the EU Construction Products Regulation, or the requirements of the legislation in force for conformity marking, must be followed.

Article 5

Annexes

1. Annex 1, 2, and 3 are an integral part of this Administrative Instruction:

1.1 Annex 1: Mandatory characteristics (to be declared for all products);

1.2 Annex 2: Optional features (to be declared at the manufacturer's option);

1.3 Annex 3: Performance Sustainability Evaluation and Verification System.

Article 6

Inspection supervision

The provisions of this Administrative Instruction are supervised by the Market Inspectorate, in accordance with the law on construction products and the relevant legislation for market supervision.

Article 7

Transitional provisions

1. Until the entry into force of subsection 1.5, paragraph 1, article 3 of this Administrative Instruction, the system for evaluating and verifying the sustainability of performance must be implemented, as follows:

	Characteristics)
AVCP System 4, Manufacturer's Declaration of Performance	Annex 1 of this Administrative Instruction

2. Paragraph 1 of this article applies two (2) years after the entry into force of this Administrative Instruction.

Article 8

Entry into force

This Administrative Instruction enters into force six (6) months after being signed by the Minister of the Ministry of Industry, Enterprise and Trade and published in the "Official Gazette" of the Republic of Kosovo.

Rozeta HAJDARI

Minister

Pristina, 27.09.2023

Annex I

Mandatory features (to be declared for all products)

Essential features		Requirements clauses in standard 15258 ZA.1- Relevant clauses for retaining wall elements	Levels and/or Classes	Notes and units
Compressive strength (of concrete)	All methods	4.2 Production requirements	-	N/mm ²
Ultimate tensile and yield strength (of steel)	All methods	4.1.3 Reinforcing steel and 4.1.4 Prestressing steel of EN 3369:2004	-	N/mm ²
Water permeability (where necessary)	All methods	4.3.8.2 Water vapor permeability	-	Kg/(m ² x s x Pa)

Annex II

Optional characteristics (to be declared at manufacturer's option)

Basic characteristics		Requirements clauses in standard 15258 ZA.1- Relevant clauses for retaining wall elements	Levels and/or Classes	Notes and units
The details	All methods	4.3.1 Geometric properties 8. Technical documentation	-	mm
Stability	All methods	4.3.7 Durability	-	Environment conditions
Mechanical resistance	Method 1	Information listed in ZA.3.2.	-	Geometry and materials
	Method 2	4.3.3 Mechanical resistance	-	kNm, kN, kN/m
	Method 3	4.3.3 Mechanical resistance	-	Design specification

Annex III

Performance Stability Evaluation and Verification System

Product(s)	Intended use(s)	Level(s) or grade(s)	Verification of conformity systems
Retaining wall elements	Structure/s	-	2+
System 2+: Administrative Instruction No. 03/2019 on the Basic Requirements for Construction Works, the Declaration of Performance of Construction Products, the Systems of Evaluation and Verification of the Durability of the Performance of Construction Products and the Publication of the Declaration of Performance on the Web Page - Article 6: The systems of evaluation and verification of consistency of performance, or EU Regulation 305/2011. The appointed or notified certifying body performs: - initial inspection of factory production and factory production control; - continuous supervision and evaluation of factory production control.			

