

CHAPTER 11 — ONE-WAY SLABS

11.1 — Scope

11.1.1 — The provisions of this chapter shall apply to the design of nonprestressed and prestressed slabs reinforced for flexure in one direction, including:

- a) slabs cast on stay-in-place, noncomposite steel deck
- b) composite slabs of interconnected concrete elements
- c) hollow-core slabs

11.2 — General

11.2.1 — The effects of concentrated loads and openings shall be considered in design.

11.2.2 — Materials

11.2.2.1 — Design properties for concrete shall conform to Chapter 5.

11.2.2.2 — Design properties for steel reinforcement shall conform to Chapter 6.

11.2.3 — Connection to other members

11.2.3.1 — For cast-in-place slabs, transmission of column loads through the slab system shall conform to 17.2.

11.2.3.2 — For precast slabs, connections shall conform to the force transfer requirements of 17.3.

11.3 — Design Limits

11.3.1 — Minimum slab thickness

11.3.1.1 — For solid nonprestressed slabs not supporting or attached to partitions or other construction likely to be damaged by large deflections, overall slab thickness h shall not be less than the limits in Table 11.3.1.1, unless the deflection requirements of 11.3.2 are satisfied.

Table 11.3.1.1 — Minimum thickness of solid nonprestressed one-way slabs

Support conditions	Minimum h , in.	
Simply supported	$l / 20$	(a)

One end continuous	$l/24$	(b)
Both ends continuous	$l/28$	(c)
Cantilever	$l/10$	(d)

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43 **11.3.1.1.1** — For f_y other than 60,000 psi, the values in Table 11.3.1.1 shall be
44 multiplied by $(0.4 + f_y/100,000)$.
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47 **11.3.1.1.2** — For nonprestressed slabs made of lightweight concrete having w_c in the
48 range of 90 to 115 lb/ft³, the values in Table 11.3.1.1 shall be multiplied by the greater of
49 (a) and (b):
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51 (a) $1.65 - 0.005w_c$
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53 (b) 1.09
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55 **11.3.1.1.3** — For nonprestressed composite concrete slabs, shored during construction,
56 and made of a combination of lightweight and normalweight concrete components, the
57 portion of the member in compression shall determine if 11.3.1.1.2 applies.
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59 **11.3.1.2** — The thickness of a concrete floor finish shall be permitted to be included in h if it is
60 placed monolithically with the floor slab, or if the floor finish is designed to be composite with
61 the floor slab in accordance with 17.7.
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63 **11.3.2 — Calculated deflection limits** 64

65 **11.3.2.1** — For nonprestressed slabs not satisfying 11.3.1 and for prestressed slabs, deflections
66 shall be calculated in accordance with 10.2.3 through 10.2.5 and shall not exceed the deflection
67 limits in Table 10.2.2.
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69 **11.3.2.2** — For nonprestressed composite concrete slabs satisfying 11.3.1, deflections occurring
70 after the member becomes composite need not be calculated. The long-term deflection of the
71 slab shall be investigated for magnitude and duration of load before composite action becomes
72 effective.
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74 **11.3.3 — Reinforcement strain limit: nonprestressed slabs** 75

76 **11.3.3.1** — For nonprestressed slabs, calculated ϵ_t shall be at least 0.004.
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78 **11.3.4 — Stress limits: prestressed slabs** 79

80 **11.3.4.1** — Prestressed slabs shall be classified as Class U, T, or C in accordance with 10.5.2.
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82 **11.3.4.2** — Stresses in prestressed slabs immediately after transfer and at service loads shall not
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11.4 — Required strength

11.4.1 — General

11.4.1.1 — Required strength shall be calculated in accordance with the factored load combinations defined in Chapter 7 and analysis procedures defined in Chapter 8.

11.4.2 — Factored moment

11.4.2.1 — For slabs built integrally with supports, M_u at the support shall be permitted to be calculated at face of support.

11.4.3 — Factored shear

11.4.3.1 — For slabs built integrally with supports, V_u at the support shall be permitted to be calculated at face of support.

11.4.3.2 — Sections between the face of support and the critical section defined in Table 11.4.3.2 shall be permitted to be designed for V_u at the critical section if (a) through (c) are satisfied:

- (a) Support reaction, in direction of applied shear, introduces compression into the end region of the slab;
- (b) Loads are applied at or near the top surface of the slab;
- (c) No concentrated load occurs between face of support and critical section.

Table 11.4.3.2 — Location of critical section for one-way shear in slabs

Type of slab	Distance from the face of support	
Nonprestressed	d	(a)
Prestressed	$h/2$	(b)

11.5 — Design strength

11.5.1 — General

11.5.1.1 — Design strength at all sections along the slab shall be in accordance with (a) and (b) for each applicable factored load combination.

(a) $\phi_f M_n \geq M_u$

127 (b) $\phi V_n \geq V_u$

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129 **11.5.2 — Flexure**

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131 **11.5.2.1** — $\phi_f M_n$ shall be calculated in accordance with 9.3.

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133 **11.5.3 — Shear**

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135 **11.5.3.1** — $\phi_v V_n$ shall be calculated in accordance with 9.5.

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137 **11.5.3.2** — For composite concrete slabs, horizontal shear strength, $\phi_v V_{nh}$, shall be calculated in
138 accordance with 17.7.

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141 **11.6 — Reinforcement limits**

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143 **11.6.1 — General**

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145 **11.6.1.1** — Minimum reinforcement shall be as required by this section.

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147 **11.6.2 — Flexure: nonprestressed slabs**

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149 **11.6.2.1** — $A_{s,min}$ shall be in accordance with Table 11.6.2.1.

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151 **Table 11.6.2.1 — $A_{s,min}$: nonprestressed one-way slabs**

Reinforcement Type	f_y , psi	$A_{s,min}$		
Deformed bars	< 60,000	0.0020 A_g	(a)	
Deformed bars or welded wire reinforcement	$\geq 60,000$	Greater of:	$\frac{0.0018 \times 60,000}{f_y} A_g$	(b)
			0.0014 A_g	(c)

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154 **11.6.3 — Flexure: prestressed slabs**

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156 **11.6.3.1** — For slabs with bonded prestressed reinforcement, total quantity of A_s and A_{ps} shall be
157 adequate to develop a factored load at least 1.2 times the cracking load calculated on the basis of
158 f_r as specified in 5.2.3.1.

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160 **11.6.3.2** — For slabs with both flexural and shear design strength at least twice the required
161 strength, 11.6.3.1 shall not be required.

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163 **11.6.3.3** — For slabs with unbonded prestressed reinforcement, a minimum quantity of bonded
 164 deformed reinforcement A_s shall be provided in accordance with Eq. 11.6.3.3.

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$$A_s \geq 0.004A_{ct} \quad (11.6.3.3)$$

166 where A_{ct} is the area of that part of the cross section between the flexural tension face and the
 167 center of gravity of the gross section.

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 169 **11.6.4 — Shrinkage and temperature reinforcement**

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 172 **11.6.4.1 — Deformed reinforcement**

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 174 **11.6.4.1.1** — Deformed shrinkage and temperature reinforcement perpendicular to flexural
 175 reinforcement shall be provided in accordance with 10.4.4.

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 177 **11.6.4.2 — Prestressed reinforcement**

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 179 **11.6.4.2.1** — Prestressed shrinkage and temperature reinforcement perpendicular to flexural
 180 reinforcement shall be provided in accordance with 10.4.5.

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 182 **11.6.4.2.2** — For monolithic, cast-in-place, post-tensioned beam-and-slab construction, gross
 183 concrete area shall consist of the total beam area including the slab thickness and the slab area
 184 within half the clear distance to adjacent beam webs. It shall be permitted to include the
 185 effective force in beam tendons in the calculation of total prestress force acting on gross concrete
 186 area.

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 188 **11.6.4.2.3** — If slabs are supported on walls or not cast monolithically with beams, gross
 189 concrete area is the slab section tributary to the tendon or tendon group.

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 191 **11.6.4.2.4** — At least one tendon is required in the slab between faces of beams or walls.

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 194 **11.6.5 — Shear**

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 196 **11.6.5.1** —As required by Table 11.6.5.1, a minimum amount of shear reinforcement $A_{v,min}$ shall
 197 be provided in accordance with 13.6.4.2.

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 199 **Table 11.6.5.1: Minimum shear reinforcement**

Slab Type	Condition	$A_{v,min}$
Hollow-core with untopped $h > 12.5$ in.	$V_u > 0.5\phi_v V_{cw}$	Required
Other	$V_u > \phi_v V_c$	Required

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203 **11.6.5.2** — The requirements of 11.6.5.1 shall be permitted to be waived if shown by testing
 204 that the required M_n and V_n can be developed. Such tests shall simulate effects of differential
 205 settlement, creep, shrinkage, and temperature change, based on a realistic assessment of these
 206 effects occurring in service.

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209 **11.7 — Reinforcement detailing**

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211 **11.7.1 — General**

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213 **11.7.1.1** — Flexural reinforcement shall be uniformly distributed as close as practicable to the
 214 concrete surface in tension.

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216 **11.7.1.2** — Concrete cover for reinforcement shall be in accordance with 6.10.5.

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218 **11.7.1.3** — Development lengths of deformed and prestressed reinforcement shall be calculated
 219 in accordance with 21.3.

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221 **11.7.1.4** — Splice lengths of deformed reinforcement shall be calculated in accordance with
 222 21.4.

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224 **11.7.1.5** — Bundling of bars shall be calculated in accordance with 21.5.

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226 **11.7.2 — Flexural reinforcement: spacing**

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228 **11.7.2.1** — Minimum s shall be in accordance with 21.2.

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230 **11.7.2.2** — Maximum s of deformed reinforcement shall be the lesser of $3h$ and 18 in.

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232 **11.7.2.3** — For nonprestressed and Class C prestressed slabs, spacing of bonded reinforcement
 233 closest to the tension face shall not exceed s required in 10.3.

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235 **11.7.3 — Flexural reinforcement: nonprestressed slabs**

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237 **11.7.3.1 — General**

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239 **11.7.3.1.1** — Calculated tension or compression force in reinforcement at each section of the
 240 slab shall be developed on each side of that section.

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242 **11.7.3.1.2** — Critical locations for development of reinforcement are at points of maximum
 243 stress and at points within the span where adjacent reinforcement terminates or is bent.

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245 **11.7.3.1.3** — Reinforcement shall extend beyond the point at which it is no longer required to
 246 resist flexure for a distance equal to the greater of d or $12d_b$, except at supports of simply-
 247 supported spans and at free ends of cantilevers.

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249 **11.7.3.1.4** — Continuing flexural tensile reinforcement shall have an embedment length not less
 250 than ℓ_d beyond the point where terminated tensile reinforcement is no longer required to resist
 251 flexure.

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 253 **11.7.3.1.5** — Flexural tensile reinforcement shall not be terminated in a tensile zone unless (a) or
 254 (b) is satisfied.

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 256 (a) V_u at the cutoff point does not exceed $(2/3)\phi_v V_n$;

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 258 (b) For No. 11 bars and smaller, continuing reinforcement provides double the area
 259 required for flexure at the cutoff point and V_u does not exceed $(3/4)\phi_v V_n$.

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 261 **11.7.3.1.6** — In slabs not exceeding 10 ft in span, welded wire reinforcement, with wire size not
 262 greater than W5 or D5, shall be permitted to be curved from a point near the top of slab over the
 263 support to a point near the bottom of slab at midspan, provided such reinforcement is continuous
 264 over, or developed at, the support.

265 **11.7.3.2 — Reinforcement termination: slabs at simple supports**

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 267 **11.7.3.2.1** — At least one-third the maximum positive moment reinforcement shall extend along
 268 the slab bottom into the support a minimum of 6 in. For precast slabs, such reinforcement shall
 269 extend at least to the center of the bearing length.

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 271 **11.7.3.2.2** — If reinforcement terminates beyond the centerline of supports by a standard hook or
 272 a mechanical anchorage at least equivalent to a standard hook, 11.7.3.2.3 and 11.7.3.2.4 need not
 273 be satisfied.

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 275 **11.7.3.2.3** — At simple supports, d_b for positive moment tensile reinforcement shall be limited
 276 such that ℓ_d for that reinforcement satisfies Eq. 11.7.3.2.3.

$$277 \ell_d \leq M_n / V_u + \ell_a \quad (11.7.3.2.3)$$

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 279 where:

280 M_n is calculated assuming all reinforcement at the section is stressed to f_y ;

281 V_u is calculated at the section; and

282 ℓ_a is the embedment length beyond the center of the support.

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 284 **11.7.3.2.4** — If the ends of reinforcement at a support are confined by a compressive reaction, d_b
 285 for positive moment tensile reinforcement shall be limited such that ℓ_d for that reinforcement
 286 satisfies Eq. 11.7.3.2.4.

$$287 \ell_d \leq 1.3M_n / V_u + \ell_a \quad (11.7.3.2.4)$$

288 **11.7.3.3 — Reinforcement termination: Continuous slabs**

295 **11.7.3.3.1** — At least one-fourth the maximum positive moment reinforcement shall extend
 296 along the slab bottom into the continuous support a minimum of 6 in.
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298 **11.7.3.3.2** — At points of inflection, d_b for positive moment tensile reinforcement shall be
 299 limited such that ℓ_d for that reinforcement satisfies Eq. 11.7.3.3.2.
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$$301 \quad \ell_d \leq M_n/V_u + \ell_a \quad (11.7.3.3.2)$$

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 303 where:

304 M_n is calculated assuming all reinforcement at the section is stressed to f_y ;

305 V_u is calculated at the section; and

306 ℓ_a is the greater of d or $12d_b$.
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308 **11.7.3.3.3** — At least one-third the negative moment reinforcement at a support shall have an
 309 embedment length beyond the point of inflection greater than d , $12d_b$, and $\ell_n/16$.
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311 **11.7.4 — Flexural reinforcement: prestressed slabs**

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 313 **11.7.4.1** — Post-tensioned anchorage zones shall be designed and detailed in accordance with
 314 18.5.
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316 **11.7.4.2** — Post-tensioning anchorages and couplers shall be designed and detailed in
 317 accordance with 21.6.
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319 **11.7.4.3** — If nonprestressed reinforcement is provided to satisfy flexural strength requirements,
 320 the detailing requirements of 11.7.3 shall be satisfied.
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322 **11.7.4.4 — Reinforcement termination: deformed reinforcement in slabs with unbonded** 323 **prestressed reinforcement**

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 325 **11.7.4.4.1**— Length of deformed reinforcement required by 11.6.3.3 shall be in accordance with
 326 (a) and (b).
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328 (a) In positive moment areas, length of reinforcement shall be at least $\ell_n/3$ and be centered in
 329 that area.
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331 (b) In negative moment areas, reinforcement shall extend at least $\ell_n/6$ on each side of support.
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333 **11.7.5 — Shrinkage and temperature reinforcement**

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 335 **11.7.5.1** — Shrinkage and temperature reinforcement in accordance with 10.4 shall be placed
 336 perpendicular to flexural reinforcement.
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338 **11.7.5.2 – Nonprestressed reinforcement**

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340 **11.7.5.2.1** — Spacing of deformed shrinkage and temperature reinforcement shall not exceed the
341 lesser of $5h$ or 18 in.
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343 **11.7.5.3 – Prestressed reinforcement**
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345 **11.7.5.3.1** — Spacing of slab tendons required by 11.6.4.2, and the distance between face of
346 beam or wall to the nearest slab tendon, shall not exceed 6 ft.
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348 **11.7.5.3.2** — If spacing of slab tendons exceeds 4.5 ft., additional deformed shrinkage and
349 temperature reinforcement conforming to 11.6.4.1 shall be provided parallel to the tendons,
350 except 10.4.4.3 shall not apply. This shrinkage and temperature reinforcement shall extend from
351 the slab edges for a distance not less than the slab tendon spacing.
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353 **11.7.6 — Shear reinforcement**
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355 **11.7.6.1** — If required, transverse reinforcement shall be detailed according to 13.X.Y.
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359 Based on the results of LB11-1, the provisions for one-way joists have been
360 moved to Chapter 13, Beams.
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