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Section 1917

Question:

Is it the intent of Chapter 1917, 1917.1.1, 1.2 and 1.3 references to minimum compressive strength tested in compliance with ASTM C495 and C796, if the ASTM standard is not followed or the tester deviates from the recognized standard, does this invalidate the test results?

Answer

To assure the minimum compressive strength has been achieved, it is imperative to follow the standards as referenced in the code. If the testing lab deviates from the proscribed test procedure the test is invalid.

Commentary:

To assure the minimum compressive strength has been achieved, it is imperative to follow the standards as referenced in the code. However, the Building Official may approve the test results under Section 104.11 if he/she finds the test results comply with the requirements of this section and sub section 104.11.1 and 104.11.2.

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