



Standard Specification for Pedestrian and Light Traffic Paving Brick¹

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1. Scope*

1.1 This specification covers brick intended for use as paving material subjected to pedestrian and light vehicular traffic. The units are designed for use in pedestrian applications and vehicular areas that are subjected to low volumes of vehicular traffic, such as residential driveways and streets and commercial driveways (passenger drop-offs). The units are not intended to support heavy vehicular traffic covered by Specification C 1272 or for industrial applications covered by Specification C 410.

NOTE 1—Heavy vehicular traffic is defined as high volumes of heavy vehicles (trucks having 3 or more axles) in Specification C 1272.

1.2 The property requirements of this standard apply at the time of purchase. The use of results from testing of brick extracted from masonry structures for determining conformance or nonconformance to the property requirements (Section 4) of this specification is beyond the scope of this standard.

1.3 Brick are manufactured from clay, shale, or similar naturally occurring earthy substances and subjected to a heat treatment at elevated temperatures (firing). The heat treatment must develop sufficient fired bond between the particulate constituents to provide the strength and durability requirement of this specification (see firing, fired bond, and incipient fusion in Terminology C 43).

1.4 The brick are available in a variety of sizes, colors, and shapes. They are available in three classes according to exposure environment and three types according to type of traffic exposure.

1.5 The values stated in inch-pound units are to be regarded as the standard.

2. Referenced Documents

2.1 ASTM Standards:²

C 43 Terminology of Structural Clay Products

C 67 Test Methods of Sampling and Testing Brick and Structural Clay Tile

C 88 Test Method for Soundness of Aggregates by Use of Sodium Sulfate or Magnesium Sulfate

C 410 Specification for Industrial Floor Brick

C 418 Test Method for Abrasion Resistance of Concrete by Sandblasting

C 1272 Specification for Vehicular Paving Brick

3. Classification

3.1 Light traffic paving brick are classified according to the severity of their use-environment. Two types of environment are considered: (1) weather and (2) traffic:

3.1.1 Weather:

3.1.1.1 *Class SX*—Brick intended for use where the brick may be frozen while saturated with water.

3.1.1.2 *Class MX*—Brick intended for exterior use where resistance to freezing is not a factor.

3.1.1.3 *Class NX*—Brick not intended for exterior use but which may be acceptable for interior use where protected from freezing when wet.

NOTE 2—A surface coating may be applied to any class of brick of this standard when protected from freezing while wet. The function of the coating is to prevent penetration of dirt or liquids into the pores of the brick. Coatings should be applied only after complete drying of the paving.

3.1.2 Traffic:

3.1.2.1 *Type I*—Brick subjected to extensive abrasion.

NOTE 3—Type I pavers would be used in such places as sidewalks and driveways in publicly occupied spaces.

3.1.2.2 *Type II*—Brick subjected to intermediate abrasion.

NOTE 4—Type II pavers would be used in such places as heavily traveled residential walkways and residential driveways.

3.1.2.3 *Type III*—Brick subjected to low abrasion.

NOTE 5—Type III pavers would be used in such places as floors or patios in single-family homes.

4. Physical Properties

4.1 *Freeze Thaw Resistance*—Use one of the following methods:

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² For referenced ASTM standards, visit the ASTM website, www.astm.org, or contact ASTM Customer Service at service@astm.org. For *Annual Book of ASTM Standards* volume information, refer to the standard's Document Summary page on the ASTM website.