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WELDED WIRE FABRIC

THE ELEGANT REINFORCEMENT SOLUTION FOR INDUSTRIALIZED CONCRETE CONSTRUCTION IN INDIA

It is an established fact that by mechanization or industrialization any and every productive activity invariably benefits in all respects of quality, efficiency of time and energy and elegance of human effort. The application of technology to any process helps achieve accurate control on all the required parameters. Reinforced Concrete Construction which is the backbone to any infrastructural project depends for its performance on its prime elements namely Concrete and Reinforcement. Just as mechanization of concrete production namely Mix design, Auto batching plants , Ready Mix technology and automated casting techniques have raised the standards and strengths of concrete to remarkable levels, the same is essential for reinforcement. It is high time we stopped doing the handicraft work of tying up individual bars. Usage of Welded Wire Fabric (WWF) is the easy and correct solution for achieving the requirements of quality, reliability, speed and efficiency.

Welded Wire Fabric (WWF) is a prefabricated reinforcement consisting of a series of parallel longitudinal wires with accurate spacing welded to cross wires at the required spacing. The welding of the wires is achieved by electric resistance welding with solid-state electronic control and all the spacings are controlled by an automatic mechanism of high reliability. There is no foreign metal added at the joint and the intersecting wires are actually fused into a homogeneous section thereby ensuring permanency of spacing and alignment in either direction.



The wires used in the fabric are cold drawn from controlled quality mild steel wire rods with carbon content generally less than 0.15%. The cold drawing through a series of tungsten carbide dies results in a high tensile strength and increased yield strength material of accurate dimensions. Further, each section of the wire gets inherently tested by the process itself for its characteristic physical properties thereby offering a systematic reliability of material. The cold drawing operation unlike the cold twisting

used in HYSD bars also doesn't sacrifice the ductility of the material in any major way. The wires conform to IS:432-Pt II/1982 which specifies an ultimate tensile strength of 570 N/mm2 and a characteristic strength of 480 N/mm2. Wires used for manufacture of fabric are generally manufactured in the range of 2 mm to 12mm diameter.

WWF is manufactured conforming to IS:1566-1982 with long and cross wire spacings varying from 25 mm to 400 mm. Each of the rigidly welded intersection is capable of withstanding shear stresses upto 210 N/mm2(IS:4948/1974) on the reference area of the longitudinal wire. The fabric can be manufactured in widths upto 3000mm with lengths limited by transportation considerations. When supplied in ready to lay flat sheet form the standard length is 5500mm. Otherwise the fabric can be supplied in roll form in standard lengths of 15m,30m or 45m.

ADVANTAGES OF WELDED WIRE FABRIC

1) HIGHER CHARACTERISTIC DESIGN STRENGTH: Though the structural behavior of the fabric as reinforcement is similar to that for HYSD bars or Plain Mild steel bars, significant savings result due to the higher characteristic strength of WWF wires. The area of steel necessary for a required design moment is as per IS:456-2000:

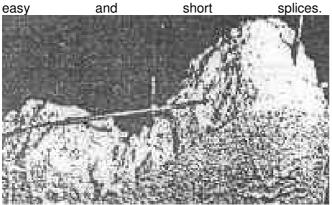
 $As = M_{des}x$ (Load Safety Factor i.e: 1.5)

((Material Safety Factor i.e: 0.87) x (Characteristic Strength i.e:480) X Lever Arm (i.e: 0.808 x Deff for Fe480)

Simply from better characteristic strength point of view, usage of WWF with Fe480 grade results in savings in steel area or steel weight required to the tune of 13.55 % vis-a-vis HYSD bars of Fe 415 grade and to the tune of 47.92 % vis-a-vis Plain Mild Steel bars of Fe 250 grade.

2) **BETTER BONDING BEHAVIOR:**The bonding behavior of WWF is significantly enhanced and different from that of HYSD or Plain Mild steel bars. As against the peripheral surface area which is responsible for bonding to concrete in the case of individual bars, the rigid mechanical interconnections by means of welds to cross wires are primarily responsible for stress transfer from concrete to steel and vice-versa in the case of WWF. Each of the rigid welds capable of resisting upto 210 N/mm2 ensure quick and complete stress transfer within 2 welded joints from the critical section. This behavior of

positive mechanical anchorage is acknowledged in specification of much lower lap splice lengths for WWF. A lap splice or a development length consisting of 1 cross-wire spacing comprising 2 welded intersections plus additional 100mm subject to a minimum of 150 mm total length is sufficient to develop a full strength lap. This aspect can result in savings of steel vis-a-vis HYSD bars by making easy the option to use a combination of fabrics/ steel areas provided to achieve curtailment of reinforcement with easy and short splices.



3) BETTER AND ECONOMIC CRACK RESISTANCE WITH THINNER WIRES AND CLOSER SPACINGS:

The behavior of strong mechanical anchorage of the welds at each the intersections is further responsible in imparting an immense deal of homogeneity to the R.C.C section as a whole. The two dimensional uniform stress distribution of the fabric with the concrete achieves better plate behaviour in the slab. Further, WWF usage affords the possibility of using thinner wires at closer spacings. This serves most effectively in countering the non-load phenomena or strain induced stresses due to Shrinkage and Temperature changes. The close spacing of thinner wires and the two-way behavior of WWF minimizes the crack widths and preserves structural integrity of the slab. This is particularly true for large span and large area structural and ground slabs. Further in cases where a designer is constrained to provide more than minimum reinforcement from the maximum bar spacing criteria, WWF affords enormous savings by providing reliable fabric with thinner wires at closer spacings.

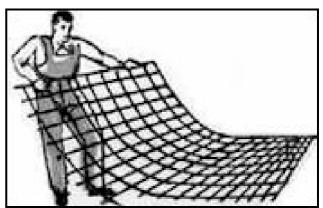
For instance consider very common cases in residential slabs where load stresses are low but where minimum thicknesses of 75 to 125mm are used

| Slab Depth | Min steel. reqd.@ 0.12% | HYSD Steel provided at 3 x eff.depth max. spacing | Welded Wire Steel Fabric Close spacing | %Sa ving s of steel | | | | |
|---------------|----------------------------------|--|--|------------------------------|--|--|--|--|
| 75 mm | 90 mm²/m | | | | | | | |
| 100 | 120 | Y8@ 240c/c= | 100x100-4mm | 40% | | | | |
| mm | mm²/m | 209mm ² /m | dia = 125 mm²/m | | | | | |
| 125 | 150 | Y8@310c/c= | 100x100-4.4mm | 6.2% | | | | |
| mm | mm²/m | 162mm² /m | dia =152 mm²/m | | | | | |

from serviceability or other reliability criteria,

The above aspect can be exploited to achieve savings in various cases of even designed steel area zones by providing minimum steel of suitable thinner WWF over all the zones and then adding extra layers of thicker designed steel WWF in the stressed zones of a slab.

4) **SAVINGS OF LABOUR, TIME AND BINDING WIRE:** The most obvious and clinching advantage in the use of WWF is the immediate and positive savings in labour and time. It is complete freedom from all the mundane fitter's jobs. There is no cutting of bars, no marking and spacing them out, and above all no laborious tying of binding wires. There is saving of skilled fitters manpower and saving of helpers to cut and tie.



The fabric is available ready to lay on the shuttering. It is also ready for casting as the need for supervisors/ engineers to check the bar sizes & spacings is eliminated. The enormous savings in man-days and the associated cost vary from project to project depending upon the scale of the job and the repeatability of design. In repair jobs of critical nature where the structure is in service, the boon of time saving with WWF cannot be understated. In return to all savings, the builder is always doubly benefited because he is assured of the job being done much more reliably and with much better quality. The designer too has lesser nightmares since he is assured that no bars have been missed or altered. Apart from savings in labour and time, there is direct savings in the consumption of binding wire. This consumption saved works out to about 2 to 5% of the reinforcement used in terms of cost of steel saved. Besides, the added benefit is avoidance of those dangling ends of binding wire which are the starting fuses for the virus of corrosion into the reinforcement.

5) THE ONLY FEASIBLE AND ESSENTIAL ALTERNATIVE FOR GROUND SLABS: Concrete Slabs on ground including roads and pavements are often ignored and neglected from the provision of reinforcement. This however is most unfortunate since ground slabs are more often than not subject to many times greater loads than they were supposed to bear and further the base and sub-soil conditions are mostly quite unreliable. In such a scenario, the presence of at least some reinforcement makes a world of difference. WWF usage provides the only practical and easy solution for reinforcing slabs on

ground.

A plain concrete slab under conditions of sub-soil erosion or movements or due to temperature changes coupled with heavy traffic loading will develop cracks which collapse the integrity of the surface. The tendency to use extra high strength concrete or extra thickness of concrete to minimize cracking does not solve any problems since the strains induced by drying shrinkage or temperature contraction do not appreciably change with thickness, cost of a WWF reinforced slab is also more or less similar to that of a slightly thicker unreinforced slab. Usage of WWF serves to control cracking and crack width in both directions. It ensures that even if a crack develops the cracked faces are held together and the aggregate interlock is maintained. The amount of reinforcement to be provided in ground slabs is generally designed by the Subgrade-Drag Procedure where

| $A_s = 9600 \times F \times L \times W$ | Where |
|---|--|
| | A _s = Reinforcement area regd. (mm ² /m) |
| f | $f_s = $ allowable stress in |
| T _S | reinforcement (N/mm²) |
| | F = Friction factor = 2 |
| | L = distance between free |
| | ends or joints of slab (m) |
| | W = dead weight of slab |
| | (tons/m²) |

A typical 150mm thk ground slab with joints spaced 6m apart by the above design would need As = $2 \times 6 \times 0.375 \times 9600 / (2 \times 230)$. i.e.: 94 mm/2 or 0.063% steel. WWF of $100 \times 100 \times 3.1 \times 3.1$ mm of 1.23 kg/m2 would be sufficient for this slab.

Other design procedures such as the *Confirmed Capacity Procedure*, *Temperature Procedure*, *Equivalent Strength Procedure and Crack Restraint Procedure* covering the unconventional topic of ground slab reinforcement design from all angles have been exhaustively covered in the paper 'Innovative Ways to Reinforce Slabs on Ground' by Robert B Anderson.

5) FLEXIBILITY OF HANDLING AND PLACING:

The usage of thinner wires lends the fabric as extremely flexible in handling. Coupled with the availability in long lengths in roll form, WWF provide the ideal and convenient solution for all kinds of repair work by Re-plastering or Guniting. The same aspect makes WWF indispensable in thin elements such as precast partitions, shelves, fins, ferrocement or ferrocrete products such as ferrocrete water tanks etc. WWF is the only solution for the thin and though spine of thin and efficient structural elements as folded plate roofs, folded plate precast roof girders or hypar shells.

ECONOMICS:

Every solution apart from providing efficiency, savings and elegance of process, has to prove cost-effective in the final analysis vis-a-vis other alternative solutions. WWF in spite of various impediments still stands strong in cost-effectiveness vis-a-vis HYSD or Plain Mild steel individual bars. Unfortunately in the Indian context, the activity of industrialization attracts the attention of tax-planners in a biased fashion.

WWF in India is the victim of biased and unfair heavy taxation by almost all of the state governments. While HYSD bars after rolling from billets are not re-taxed, WWF attracts a heavy burden of 6 to 13% extra taxation. This bias goes against the basic concept of minimizing taxes on items of mass-consumption going into infra-structural development. The potential of WWF as a strong catalyst for accelerated infrastructural development has yet to be experienced in the Indian context. It needs the involvement and appreciation of the planners, builders, consultants and contractors in the Industry. Strong support is called for the increased usage of WWF so that the pressure from users can be instrumental to remove this unfounded and unfair taxation bias which works against the propagation of WWF.

A cost comparison between the competing alternatives of WWF and HYSD bars can be only appreciated by considering the total picture of final costs. A brief comparison on ton basis with present day costs (April. 2017) is as follows:

| | Rupees / |
|--|---------------|
| LIVOR F. 445 Overde Barre | M.Ton |
| HYSD – Fe415 Grade Bars | 42,000 |
| Add: VAT @ 5% | 2,100 |
| 1) Extra steel: due to lower | 5,975 |
| strength @ 13.55% | 3,973 |
| 2)Wastage in cutting | 882 |
| bending on site @ 2% | 002 |
| 3)Binding Wire consumed | 882 |
| @ 1 to 3% average @ 2% | 002 |
| 4)Cost of Labour in cutting fitting, | 8,000 |
| tying, handling @ 8000/ton | 0,000 |
| | |
| | <u>59,839</u> |
| | |
| WELDED WIRE FABRIC | 54,500 |
| Add national average | <u>3,270</u> |
| VAT @ 6% : | <u>57,770</u> |
| NO OTHER COSTS BUT: | |
| Savings of Time which is | |
| invaluable but not easily | |
| comprehended. | |
| 2) Savings of supervisory | |
| manpower | |
| 3) Elegance of Use. | |
| 4) Quality and Reliability of the factory controlled | |
| | |
| rointorcoment | |
| reinforcement. | |
| reinforcement. Much better Quality of Crack-free Concrete | |

PLEASE NOTE the above cost comparison is simply on a straight reinforcement conversion basis without considering the enormous possibilities offered by WWF as explained in point no.3 of advantages of WWF.

It can be seen even in this generalized costing that inspite of a hefty biased taxation impediment, WWF stands almost similar in costing to HYSD bars while it offers all various benefits listed above.

Now , Consider a specific illustration of design and detailing of a typical residential type two-way continuous slab wherein the detailing exploits the benefits of WWF.

Consider a slab panel of 3m x 4.0m continuous on two adjacent edges and discontinuous on the other two. Live Load is 250 kg/m2 . Concrete is M15 grade and steel is HYSD bars in Alternate (1) and WWF in Alternate (2).

Assume a 100 thk slab from deflection criteria as per CI:23.1 Note-2(IS-456

Two-way Span Aspect Ratio: 4/3 = 1.33

Effec. Depth= 80mm.

Lever Arm Factor = 0.798. Limit Mom.Capacity

(M15-Fe415) = 1.325 Ton.m/m

 Design Loads: Dead Load: 0.1 x 2.5 = 0.25 t/m2

 50mm thk Floor Finish: 0.05 x 2.0 = Live Load
 0.10 t/m2

 0.25 t/m2
 0.60 t/m2

Design Mom., Mdes=Mom.Coeff x 0.6 x 3 x 3 ton.m/m

| Location | Mome nt Coeff. as per Table- 22 (IS:456 / 78) | Design Moment (ton.m/m) | HYSD- Fe415 steel area reqd (mm²/m) | WWF- Fe480 steel area reqd (mm²/ m) | | |
|---|--|-------------------------------|---|---|--|--|
| 1) Short Span -ve Mom at continous edge- M _{xt} | 0.067 | 0.362 | 236 | 203 | | |
| 2) Short Span +ve Mom. at mid- span - M _{xb} | 0.050 | 0.270 | 176 | 152 | | |
| 1) Long Span -ve Mom. at continous edge- Myt | 0.047 | 0.254 | 165 | 143 | | |
| 2) Long Span +ve Mom. at mid- span - M _{vb} | 0.035 | 0.189 | 123 | 106 | | |

Min.Steel @ 0.12% := 120mm2/m and spacing <= 240mm c/c DETAILING:

| | With WEIDED WIDE |
|--|---|
| with HYSD-Fe 415 bars | With WELDED WIRE |
| 1) TOP-Short SPAN Provide Y8 @ 210c/c in short-span direction at top at continuous support with 50% extending upto 450mm from support centre and 50% upto 900mm from support centre. (Steel Consumed = 14.5m of Y8 = 5.72 kgs for Main | 1) TOP-Short SPAN Use 125x125-4x4mm WWF of 900 width at top over short span continuous support. Add 125x250- 3.6x2.5mm WWF of 450mm width at top over support. (Steel Consumed= 7.37 kgs for Main+Dist Steel) |
| Steel Only) | |

2) TOP-LONG SPAN

Provide Y8 @ 240c/c (max.spacing criteria) in long span direction at top at continuous support with 50% extending upto 600mm from support centre and 50% upto 1200 from support centre (Steel Consumed = 13.8m of Y8 = 5.42kgs Main Steel Only)

Provide minimum distribution steel for shrinkage & cracking Y8 @ 300 c/c to all top steel in direction parallel to the edge strips.

(Steel Consumed = 24m of Y8 = 9.42 kgs Distribution Steel Only)

3) BOTTOM-SHORT SPAN Provide Y8 @ 240c/c (max.spacing criteria) in short span direction at bottom throughout since it is minimum steel.(Steel Consumed = 51m of Y8 = 20kgs - Short

Span- Main)

4) BOTTOM-LONG SPAN Provide Y8 @ 240c/c (max.spacing criteria) in long span direction at bottom -throughout since it is minimum steel.(Steel Consumed = 52m of Y8 = 21kgs Long Span -Main)

2) TOP-LONG SPAN
Use 125x125-4x4mm WWF of
1200 width at top over long span
continuous support. (Steel
Consumed = 5.89 kgs for Main
& Distribution Steel)

3) BOTTOM-SHORT & LONG
SPAN Use 125x125-4x4mm
WWF in the bottom throughout.
Add additional 250x250-3.6x3.6
WWF in the middle strip zone of
2.25m x 3m. (Steel Consumed
= 24.14kgs - Short + Long
Span Main Steel)

Total HYSD Bars used = 61.56 kgs Cost 44,100

= <u>Rs 2715</u>

Binding Wire reqd. at approx. 220 bottom joints and 115 top joints with 0.18m of 1.4 dia per joint = **0.9 kgs Cost @ 64/kg**

= <u>Rs 58</u>

Fitting cutting etc Labour at 8.00/kg

= <u>Rs 492</u> Total = <u>Rs 3265/=</u> Total WWF used = 37.4 kgs.

Cost @ 57.77 /kg

= Rs 2161

Savings achieved by use of WWF = Rs 1104 or 33.82% of cost of HYSD detailing. The figures above are themselves to speak leave alone all the elegance of WWF apart.



APPLICATIONS FOR WELDED WIRE FABRIC:

The elegance and tremendous savings in time, cost and energy achieved by WWF usage lend it amenable to applications in a wide spectrum of construction works. Any reinforcement requirement in flat form can be provided with WWF. A brief listing of possible areas of usage include:

- 1) Structural Flat slabs or in slabs with Beam Slab construction.
- 2) Large area Floor slabs on ground, pavements, airport runways, aprons etc to achieve crack-free ioint less surfaces.
- 3) Concrete elements of curved or difficult shapes such as arches, domes, lotus petals etc. where the flexibility of WWF and its ready to us nature aids all the way.
- 4) Precast elements which are thin or are difficult to reinforce such as curved arch flat members, Hyperbolic Paraboloid Shells, folded plate roof girders, fins, thin pardis or chajja drops.



- 5) Standard mass production precast R.C.C and prestressed elements like slab panels, wall panels where the combination of factory production mechanisms, ready to lay WWF sheets and controlled concrete can result in excellent results with efficiency and quality in all aspects.
- 6) As a bonding fabric during guniting (spraying of thick Cement-Sand Slurry with Compressed Air) or during re-plastering required for Repairs and rehabitilation of structures. Guniting is also extensively used for coating of pipelines to significantly enhance their life against corrosion. A

popular use now is to use WWF strips below plaster at the beam-masonry wall junction to prevent cracks in plaster.



- 7) Unstressed Shaping or Form Reinforcment used in Prestressed Concrete Girders of Box,I, T or Double T-section. Here WWF with its thin profile is particularly essential since the flanges, web etc of these efficient sections are themselves are quite thin and usage of thick individual bars with the special cover requirements can cause severe congestion for the prestressing tendon ducts.
- 8) Ferrocement or Ferrocrete works where WWF is the only solution for forming the reinforcing matrix along with chicken mesh to develop thin and efficient precast elements such as water tanks, fins, shelves etc.

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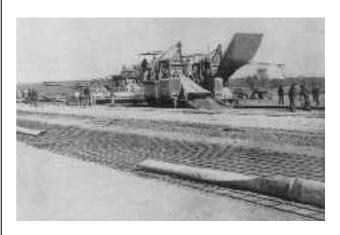
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AREAS & WEIGHTS OF BARS / WIRES at GIVEN SPACINGS Area Values in cm2 per Metre width Weight Values in kgs per Sq. meter area

| weight values in kgs per 3d. Inleter area | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|--------------------|--------|-------|--------|---------|--------|-------|--------|-------|--------|-------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|----------|--------|
| | Bar Diameter, (mm) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Bar | 4.0 4.5 | | | 5 | 5.0 5.5 | | 6.0 | | 7.0 | | 8.0 | | 9.0 | | 10. | .0 | | |
| Spaci | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| ng | cm2/ | kgs/ | cm2/ | kgs/ | cm2/ | kgs/ | cm2/ | kgs/ | cm2/ | kgs/ | cm2/ | kgs/ | cm2/ | kgs/ | cm2/ | kgs/ | | kgs/ |
| (cm) | mtr | sq.mtr | mtr | sq.mtr | mtr | sq.mtr | mtr | sq.mtr | mtr | sq.mtr | mtr | sq.mtr | mtr | sq.mtr | mtr | sq.mtr | cm2/ mtr | sq.mtr |
| <u>5</u> | 2.513 | 1.97 | 3.181 | 2.50 | 3.927 | 3.08 | 4.752 | 3.73 | 5.655 | 4.44 | 7.697 | 6.04 | 10.053 | 7.89 | 12.723 | 9.99 | 15.708 | 12.33 |
| <u>7</u> | 1.795 | 1.41 | 2.272 | 1.78 | 2.805 | 2.20 | 3.394 | 2.66 | 4.039 | 3.17 | 5.498 | 4.32 | 7.181 | 5.64 | 9.088 | 7.13 | 11.220 | 8.81 |
| <u>8</u> | 1.571 | 1.23 | 1.988 | 1.56 | 2.454 | 1.93 | 2.970 | 2.33 | 3.534 | 2.77 | 4.811 | 3.78 | 6.283 | 4.93 | 7.952 | 6.24 | 9.818 | 7.71 |
| <u>9</u> | 1.396 | 1.10 | 1.767 | 1.39 | 2.182 | 1.71 | 2.640 | 2.07 | 3.142 | 2.47 | 4.276 | 3.36 | 5.585 | 4.38 | 7.069 | 5.55 | 8.727 | 6.85 |
| <u>10</u> | 1.257 | 0.99 | 1.590 | 1.25 | 1.964 | 1.54 | 2.376 | 1.87 | 2.827 | 2.22 | 3.848 | 3.02 | 5.027 | 3.95 | 6.362 | 4.99 | 7.854 | 6.17 |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| <u>11</u> | 1.142 | 0.90 | 1.446 | 1.13 | 1.785 | 1.40 | 2.160 | 1.70 | 2.570 | 2.02 | 3.499 | 2.75 | 4.570 | 3.59 | 5.783 | 4.54 | 7.140 | 5.60 |
| <u>12</u> | 1.047 | 0.82 | 1.325 | 1.04 | 1.636 | 1.28 | 1.980 | 1.55 | 2.356 | 1.85 | 3.207 | 2.52 | 4.189 | 3.29 | 5.301 | 4.16 | 6.545 | 5.14 |
| <u>13</u> | 0.967 | 0.76 | 1.223 | 0.96 | 1.510 | 1.19 | 1.828 | 1.43 | 2.175 | 1.71 | 2.960 | 2.32 | 3.867 | 3.04 | 4.894 | 3.84 | 6.042 | 4.74 |
| <u>14</u> | 0.898 | 0.70 | 1.136 | 0.89 | 1.403 | 1.10 | 1.697 | 1.33 | 2.020 | 1.59 | 2.749 | 2.16 | 3.590 | 2.82 | 4.544 | 3.57 | 5.610 | 4.40 |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| <u>15</u> | 0.838 | 0.66 | 1.060 | 0.83 | 1.309 | 1.03 | 1.584 | 1.24 | 1.885 | 1.48 | 2.566 | 2.01 | 3.351 | 2.63 | 4.241 | 3.33 | 5.236 | 4.11 |
| <u>16</u> | 0.785 | 0.62 | 0.994 | 0.78 | 1.227 | 0.96 | 1.485 | 1.17 | 1.767 | 1.39 | 2.405 | 1.89 | 3.142 | 2.47 | 3.976 | 3.12 | 4.909 | 3.85 |
| <u>17</u> | 0.739 | 0.58 | 0.936 | 0.73 | 1.155 | 0.91 | 1.398 | 1.10 | 1.663 | 1.31 | 2.264 | 1.78 | 2.957 | 2.32 | 3.742 | 2.94 | 4.620 | 3.63 |
| <u>18</u> | 0.698 | 0.55 | 0.884 | 0.69 | 1.091 | 0.86 | 1.320 | 1.04 | 1.571 | 1.23 | 2.138 | 1.68 | 2.793 | 2.19 | 3.534 | 2.77 | 4.363 | 3.43 |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| <u>20</u> | 0.628 | 0.49 | 0.795 | 0.62 | 0.982 | 0.77 | 1.188 | 0.93 | 1.414 | 1.11 | 1.924 | 1.51 | 2.513 | 1.97 | 3.181 | 2.50 | 3.927 | 3.08 |
| <u>21</u> | 0.598 | 0.47 | 0.757 | 0.59 | 0.935 | 0.73 | 1.131 | 0.89 | 1.346 | 1.06 | 1.833 | 1.44 | 2.394 | 1.88 | 3.029 | 2.38 | 3.740 | 2.94 |
| <u>22</u> | 0.571 | 0.45 | 0.723 | 0.57 | 0.893 | 0.70 | 1.080 | 0.85 | 1.285 | 1.01 | 1.749 | 1.37 | 2.285 | 1.79 | 2.892 | 2.27 | 3.570 | 2.80 |
| <u>23</u> | 0.546 | 0.43 | 0.691 | 0.54 | 0.854 | 0.67 | 1.033 | 0.81 | 1.229 | 0.97 | 1.673 | 1.31 | 2.185 | 1.72 | 2.766 | 2.17 | 3.415 | 2.68 |
| <u>24</u> | 0.524 | 0.41 | 0.663 | 0.52 | 0.818 | 0.64 | 0.990 | 0.78 | 1.178 | 0.92 | 1.604 | 1.26 | 2.094 | 1.64 | 2.651 | 2.08 | 3.273 | 2.57 |
| <u>25</u> | 0.503 | 0.39 | 0.636 | 0.50 | 0.785 | 0.62 | 0.950 | 0.75 | 1.131 | 0.89 | 1.539 | 1.21 | 2.011 | 1.58 | 2.545 | 2.00 | 3.142 | 2.47 |

SELECTION OF WELDED WIRE FABRIC SIZE & SPACING FOR KNOWN AREA OF REINFORCEMENT FOR SAME DESIGN LIMIT MOMENT

(Assuming Equivalent Balance Section Design by Limit State Method)

Area of Reinforcement (mm2/m) (for Same Load Capacity) WIRE SIZE (mm) dia) for MESH SPACING (mm) OF WWF M.S bars **HYSD WWF** Fe250 Fe415 Fe480 *50 75* 100 125 150 200 250 300 80 47 40 4.0 4.0 59 *50* 100 4.0 4.0 4.5 120 70 60 4.0 4.5 5.0 140 82 70 5.0 5.5 4.0 4.5 160 94 *80* 4.0 4.0 4.5 5.5 5.5 180 106 90 4.0 3.8 4.5 5.0 5.5 6.0 200 117 100 4.0 4.0 4.5 5.5 6.5 6.0 220 129 110 4.0 4.5 5.0 5.5 6.0 6.5 240 121 4.0 4.5 5.0 5.5 6.5 7.0 141 260 131 4.0 4.5 5.0 5.0 7.5 152 6.0 6.5 280 141 4.0 4.5 5.0 5.5 7.0 7.5 164 6.0 300 151 4.0 4.5 5.5 8.0 176 5.0 6.5 7.0 320 188 161 4.0 4.5 5.5 5.5 6.5 7.5 8.0 5.5 340 199 171 4.0 5.0 6.0 7.0 7.5 8.5 360 211 181 4.5 5.0 5.5 7.0 8.5 6.0 8.0 380 223 191 4.0 4.5 5.0 5.5 6.0 7.0 8.0 8.5 400 234 201 4.0 4.5 5.5 6.0 6.5 7.5 8.0 9.0 420 246 211 4.0 4.5 5.5 6.0 6.5 7.5 8.5 9.0 440 258 221 4.0 5.0 5.5 6.0 6.5 7.5 8.5 9.5 460 231 4.0 5.0 5.5 7.0 9.5 270 6.5 8.0 9.0 480 281 241 4.0 5.0 5.5 6.5 7.0 8.0 9.0 10.0 293 251 5.0 7.0 500 4.0 6.5 8.0 9.0 10.0 6.0 520 305 261 4.5 5.0 6.0 6.5 7.5 8.5 9.5 10.0 271 540 317 4.5 5.5 6.0 7.0 7.5 8.5 9.5 4.5 560 328 281 5.5 6.0 7.0 7.5 8.5 9.5 580 340 291 4.5 5.5 6.5 7.0 7.5 9.0 10.0 600 352 301 4.5 5.5 6.5 7.0 8.0 9.0 10.0 620 363 311 4.5 5.5 6.5 7.0 8.0 9.0 10.0 640 375 321 4.5 5.5 6.5 7.5 8.0 9.0 7.5 660 387 331 5.0 6.0 6.5 8.0 9.5 680 399 342 5.0 6.0 7.0 7.5 8.5 9.5 700 410 352 5.0 6.0 7.0 7.5 8.5 9.5 720 422 5.0 7.0 362 6.0 8.0 8.5 10.0 740 434 372 5.0 6.0 7.0 8.0 8.5 10.0 760 445 382 5.0 7.0 6.0 8.0 8.5 10.0 780 457 392 5.0 10.0 6.5 7.5 8.0 9.0 402 7.5 800 469 5.5 6.5 8.0 9.0 820 481 412 5.5 6.5 7.5 8.5 9.0 492 422 5.5 7.5 840 6.5 8.5 9.0 860 504 432 5.5 6.5 7.5 8.5 9.5 442 5.5 7.5 880 516 6.5 8.5 9.5 900 528 452 5.5 7.0 8.0 8.5 9.5 920 539 462 5.5 7.0 8.0 9.0 9.5 551 472 5.5 7.0 940 8.0 9.0 9.5 482 5.5 960 563 7.0 8.0 9.0 10.0

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