

Concentrated Mortar Colors

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PART 1. GENERAL

1.01 DESCRIPTION

A. **General:** Provide Mortar color in accordance with Architect's directions.

1.02 QUALITY ASSURANCE

A. **Design Criteria:** The compressive strength of mortar with pigment added shall be Type (S) (M) (N) or (O).

B. **Job Mock-up:** Construct on the jobsite a mock-up panel 4' by 3'. Mock-up shall represent the final work in material and finish. Leave the accepted mock-up in place until the work is completed and accepted.

1.03 SUBMITTALS

A. **Samples:** Submit samples of colors to architect for selection prior to building a job mock-up panel.

B. **Test Reports:** Submit certified test reports showing compliance with compressive strength with pigment added meeting standards set forth in ASTM designation C270, Type (M,N,S,O,K).

1.04 QUALITY ASSURANCE

A. Concentrated mortar shall be finely milled minus 325 mesh, 90% pure inorganic iron oxides. Carbon added for darker shades shall not exceed 4%. Color pigments shall be light fast, weather resistant, alkali resistant, water soluble, lime proof, free of deleterious filler and extenders.

1.05 PRODUCT DELIVERY, STORAGE & HANDLING

A. Deliver mortar color to jobsite in sealed unit bags. Identify each package with material name and color product number.

PART 2. PRODUCTS

2.01 MATERIALS

A. Mortar color shall be 90% pure mineral oxide without fillers or extenders as manufactured by Solomon Grind-Chem Service. SGS Concentrated Mortar Colors surpass the pigment requirements set forth by ASTM C979.

PART 3. EXECUTION

3.01 MIXING

A. **Mixing Procedure:** A mechanical mixer should be used and sufficient mortar should be mixed at one time which can be used within a two hour period. To provide uniform color and workability, a sound method is to load the mixer as follow: (1) Load 3/4 amount of water. (2) Load 1/3 amount of sand. (3) Add masonry cement or portland and lime mixture. (4) Add the appropriate number of SBS color units to the mortar mix. (5) Slowly add balance of sand and water, running machine for 5 minutes or more until a uniform color and desired workability is achieved.

The exterior mortar joints should be tooled and care should be taken not to overtool the mortar joints which may darken the appearance of the mortar joint. Water consistency should be maintained throughout the job. The more water the lighter the color. Retempering of colored mortar with the addition of water should not be allowed.

B. **Cleaning:** Never use acid. Use a "proprietary cleaner" following the directions for the weakest solution recommended by the manufacturer.

C. **Protection:** To inhibit efflorescence keep masonry work covered and protected during construction.

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TABLE 1 SOLOMON COLOR UNITS REQUIRED FOR SPECIFICATION MORTAR MIXES

ASTM C270 Specification for Mortar Unit Masonry C270 includes the following mortars:	Number of Solomon Color Units to be added with mortar mix		
	"A" Series Color	"H" Series Color	"X" Series Color
Prepared masonry cements, ASTM C91, Types N, S, or M: One 70-80 lb (32-36 kg) bag masonry cement ASTM C91, Type 1; 3 cu ft (.08 m ³) sand, ASTM C144	One A Unit	One H Unit	One X Unit
Portland cement/lime mortars, Type N, 750 psi (5168 kPa): One 94 lb (43 kg) bag portland cement, ASTM C150; One 50 lb (23 kg) bag hydrated lime, ASTM C207; 6 cu ft (.17 m ³) sand, ASTM C144	Two A Units	Two H Units	Two X Units
Portland cement/lime mortars, Type S, 1800 psi (12,400 kPa): Two 94 lb (43 kg) bags portland cement, ASTM C150; One 50 lb (23 kg) bag hydrated lime, ASTM C207; 9 cu ft (.25 m ³) sand, ASTM C144; or	Three A Units	Three H Units	Three X Units
Portland cement/lime mortars, Type S, 1800 psi (12,400 kPa): One 94 lb (43 kg) bag portland cement, ASTM C150; Two 70 lb (32 kg) bags masonry cement Type 1, ASTM C91; 9 cu ft (.25 m ³) sand, ASTM C144	Three A Units	Three H Units	Three X Units
Portland cement/lime mortars, Type M, 2500 psi (17,225 kPa): Two 94 lb (43 kg) bags portland cement, ASTM C150; One 25 lb (11 kg) bag hydrated lime, ASTM C207; 6 cu ft (.17 m ³) sand, ASTM C144; or	Three A Units	Three H Units	Three X Units
Portland cement/lime mortars, Type M, 2500 psi (17,225 kPa): One 94 lb (43 kg) bag portland cement, ASTM C150; One 70 lb (32 kg) bag masonry cement Type 1, ASTM C91; 6 cu ft (.17 m ³) sand, ASTM C144	Two A Units	Two H Units	Two X Units
Portland cement/lime mortars, Type O, 350 psi (2412 kPa): One 94 lb (43 kg) bag portland cement, ASTM C150; Two 50 lb (23 kg) bags hydrated lime, ASTM C207; 9 cu ft (.25 m ³) sand, ASTM C144	Three A Units	Three H Units	Three X Units



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