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Basis of structural design and actions for buildings and industrial structures

Part 5: Basis for geotechnical design and actions

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*Part 2: Self-weight and imposed loads.*

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*Part 4: Seismic actions and general requirements for buildings.*

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Part 5: Basis for geotechnical design and actions

1 Scope

1.1 Scope of application

The scope of application of this part of SANS 10160 falls within the general scope of application as given in SANS 10160-1.

1.2 Scope of SANS 10160-5

1.2.1 This part of SANS 10160 sets out the basis for geotechnical design and gives guidance on the determination of geotechnical actions on buildings and industrial structures including

a) vertical earth loading,
b) earth pressure,
c) ground water and free water pressure, and
d) actions caused by ground movement.

1.2.2 Procedures are given for determining representative values for geotechnical actions.

1.2.3 This part of SANS 10160 does not cover the design of geotechnical structures such as slopes, embankments or free-standing retaining structures.

2 Normative references

The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies. Information on currently valid national and international standards can be obtained from the SABS Standards Division.

SANS 10100-1 (SABS 0100-1), The structural use of concrete – Part 1: Design.