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PREFACE

The CISC Code of Standard Practice for Structural Steel is a compilation of usual industry practices relating to the design, fabrication and erection of structural steel. These practices evolve over a period of time and are subject to change as improved methods replace those of an earlier period. The Code is revised whenever a sufficient number of changes have occurred to warrant a new edition.


The fourth edition adopted in June 1980, revised December 1980, broadened the scope to include bridges and other structures. It also incorporated the CISC “Guide to Tendering Procedures” into Section 3 and Appendices B and C. The Code was converted to SI (metric) units and provided conversion factors and Imperial units in Appendix E.

The fifth edition (1991) reflected the steel standard’s recognition of the preparation of five types of fabrication and erection documents which may be produced in fulfilling a steel construction contract. These documents may be in the form of drawings, diagrams, sketches, computer output, hand calculations and other data which can be supplied by the fabricator/erector. This data is generally referred to in contract documents as “shop drawings”. The computation of mass has been changed by deleting the mass of welds and the allowances for paint and other coatings. Appendix B, Guideline for Unit Price Application for Changes, and Appendix C, A Suggested Format for Price-Per-Unit of Mass or Price-Per-Item Contracts were substantially revised. To foster uniformity, two new appendices were added: Miscellaneous Steel and A Suggested Format for a Monthly Progress Claim Form.

The sixth edition (1999) clarified the role of the fabricator, the information required, and where that information is expected, as stipulated in the governing technical standards. Added were: definitions of Design Drawings and Quotations, clauses on quotations, discrepancies, shims for bearing surfaces, the allowance for return of documents, the information required when painting is specified, and Appendix H - Suggested Definitions for Progress Invoicing and Substantial Performance. Changes were also made to Appendix C, the terminology for Unit Price contracts, connection types, and anchor rods – the latter two to be consistent with the changes in CSA Standard CAN/CSA-S16-01.

The seventh edition (2008) added two new appendices: I - Architecturally Exposed Structural Steel (AESS) and J - Digital Modelling, in order to give guidance to designers, owners, and contractors on these two important topics. As each of these topics involved issues that vary widely and approaches differ, the Code endeavoured to identify and clarify the main points that should be addressed by the interested parties to avoid conflicts during actual construction. In addition, definitions of AESS, Steel Detailer and Work, and a time frame for accepting erected steelwork were added.

This eighth edition (2015) was updated by a consensus of stakeholders within the Canadian steel construction industry. Committee members included steel fabricators, erectors, detailers,
engineers, architects and general contractors. The Code underwent major revisions reflecting this consensus approach with noted changes including BIM (electronic documents), temporary bracing, conditions where lintels would be included in a steel contract, computations of units and mass, and erection stability.

Whenever a gender-specific term is used, it shall be read as gender-neutral.

By documenting standard practices, the CISC Code of Standard Practice aims to provide guidance on current practices in the Canadian structural steel fabrication and erection industry and its clients.

The latest edition of the Code can be found on the CISC website (www.cisc-icca.ca).

Canadian Institute of Steel Construction

Adopted September 23, 2015

1.1 Scope
This Code covers standard industry practice with respect to the furnishing of structural steel, joist, and platework, in the absence of provisions to the contrary contained in the Contract.

1.2 Definitions

Architect  
As defined under the appropriate provincial Architect’s Act.

Architecturally Exposed Structural Steel  
Structural steel which is specifically designated as architecturally exposed and the appearance of which is governed by Appendix I, Architecturally Exposed Structural Steel.

BIM Administrator  
The BIM Administrator is responsible from the pre-design phase onwards to develop and to track the object-oriented BIM against predicted and measured performance objectives, supporting multi-disciplinary building information models that drive analysis, schedules, take-off and logistics.

BIM Execution Plan  
The document that defines the expected BIM deliverables and guides the coordination of the project teams. (Includes the BIM Responsibility Matrix).

Building Information Model (BIM)  
A digital representation of the physical and functional characteristics of a facility. A BIM is a shared knowledge resource for information about a facility, forming a reliable basis for decisions during its life-cycle – defined as existing from earliest conception to demolition. Note: the term Digital/Electronic Model may be used in lieu of the term BIM in some sectors.

Client  
A person, corporation, or authority with whom the Fabricator and/or Erector have contracted.

Change Directive  
A written instruction signed by the General Contractor directing the Fabricator and/or Erector to proceed with a change in the Work within the general scope of the Contract Documents, prior to the General Contractor and the Fabricator and/or Erector agreeing upon adjustments in the contracted price and the contracted time.

Change Order  
A written amendment to the Subcontract signed by the Contractor and the Subcontractor stating their agreement upon:

- A change in the Subcontract Work
- The method of adjustment or the amount of the adjustment in the Subcontract price, if any, and
- The extent of the adjustment in the Subcontract time, if any.
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<tr>
<th><strong>Connection Design Details</strong></th>
<th>Documents which provide details of standard and non-standard connections and other data necessary for the preparation of shop details.</th>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Construction Documents</strong></td>
<td>The most recent of IFC drawings, specifications, computer output, models and electronic/digital data used to govern the construction of the Works.</td>
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<td><strong>Construction Specifications</strong></td>
<td>The IFC Specifications used to govern the construction of the Works.</td>
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<td><strong>Contract</strong></td>
<td>The undertaking by the parties to perform their respective duties, responsibilities and obligations as prescribed in the Contract Documents; represents the entire agreement between the parties.</td>
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<td><strong>Contract Documents</strong></td>
<td>Include the Construction Documents and all commercial terms and conditions governing the Work (including schedule).</td>
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<td><strong>Cost-Plus Contract</strong></td>
<td>An Agreement whereby the Fabricator and/or Erector agrees to fulfill the contract for a consideration which is calculated on the basis of the Fabricator’s and/or Erector’s costs plus a specified fee as defined in the contract.</td>
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<td><strong>Design Documents</strong></td>
<td>Drawings and specifications, including computer models, electronic documents and other data, as prepared by the Engineer of Record, showing member sizes and dimensions and all required forces for connection design, i.e. shears, axial forces, moments and torsions. (Refer to the governing technical standard for the entire list of mandatory requirements.)</td>
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<td><strong>Engineer</strong></td>
<td>As defined under the appropriate provincial Professional Engineer’s Act.</td>
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<td><strong>Engineer of Record</strong></td>
<td>The Professional Engineer that assumes responsibility for the design. (Note: terminology of this individual varies from province to province depending on the local Engineering Act.)</td>
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<td><strong>Erection Bracing</strong></td>
<td>Bracing materials or members which are used to plumb, align and stabilize structural members or the structure during construction and are removed when the structural members or the structure is secured by bolting or welding of structural members (not to be confused with Temporary Bracing).</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Erection Diagrams</strong></td>
<td>General arrangement drawings and/or models showing all information necessary for the assembly of the steel structure.</td>
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### Erection Procedures
Outline the construction methods, erection sequence, erection and temporary bracing requirements, and other engineering details necessary for shipping, handling, erecting, and maintaining the stability of the structural steel frame.

### Erector
The party responsible for erection of the steelwork.

### Fabrication and Erection Documents
A collection of documents (hard copy, electronic and/or models) prepared by the Fabricator and/or Erector related to steel fabrication and erection.

### Fabricator
The party responsible for furnishing the Structural Steel.

### Field Work Details
Details that provide complete information for modifying fabricated members – both new and existing – in the field.

### General Contractor, Constructor or Construction Manager
The person or corporation constructing, coordinating, and supervising the Work.

### General Terminology
* e.g. Beams, Joists, Columns, etc.
These terms have the meanings stated or implied in CSA-S16 (latest edition), CSA-S6 (latest edition) and Appendix A of this Code.

### Industry Foundation Class Model
A platform-neutral, open-file format specification that is not controlled by a single vendor or group of vendors. It is an object-based file format with a data model developed by building SMART (formerly the International Alliance for Interoperability, IAI) to facilitate interoperability in the architecture, engineering and construction (AEC) industry, and is a commonly used collaboration format in Building information modelling (BIM) based projects. The Industry Foundation Class model specification is open and available. It is registered by ISO and is an official International Standard ISO 16739:2013.

### Issued-for-Construction Documents (IFC)
The initial milestone set of drawings, specifications and other documents (including hard copy, electronic and/or models) produced by the Engineer of Record to be used by the Contractor, Fabricator and/or Erector and other trades for construction. Issued-for-Construction Documents shall conform to the requirements of CSA S16 or CSA S6.
Level of Development (LOD)  A specification that enables practitioners in the AEC Industry to specify and articulate with a high level of clarity the content and reliability of Building Information Models (BIMs) at various stages in the design and construction process.

Lump Sum Price Contract  Also called Stipulated Price Contract; an agreement whereby the Fabricator and/or Erector contracts to fulfill the Contract terms for a lump sum (stipulated price) consideration.

Manufacturing Model  A 3D model created from the LOD that represents the “as fabricated” or “as shop issued” status. The manufacturing model is typically prepared by the detailer and should include all material in the accurate sizes, locations and profiles to represent what is fabricated in the assembled state, including bolts but not necessarily welds.

Miscellaneous Steel  Steel items described and listed in Appendix F of this Code.

Others  A party or parties other than the Fabricator and/or Erector.

Owner  The Owner of a structure, and shall include his authorized agent and any person taking possession of a structure on the Owner’s behalf. Depending on the circumstances, an authorized agent may be the architect, engineer, general contractor, construction manager, public authority or other designated representative of the Owner.

Quotations  Proposals by the Fabricator based on Structural Steel as defined in Clause 2.1 and as included in the Tender Documents, and in accordance with the documents outlined in Clause 3.1.1.

Revision  A change in the Contract Documents.

Shop Details  Documents which provide complete information for the fabrication of various members and components of the structure, including the required material and product standards; the location, type, and size of all mechanical fasteners; bolt installation requirements and welds.

Steel Detailer  Those responsible for the preparation of shop details and other data necessary for fabrication and/or erection. May also be the Fabricator.
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<th>Term</th>
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<tr>
<td>Steel Erection Execution Plan</td>
<td>Processes and procedures for the safe positioning, aligning and securing of the structural steel components on prepared foundations to form a complete frame.</td>
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<td>Stipulated Price Contract</td>
<td>See Lump Sum Price Contract.</td>
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<td>Structural Design Documents</td>
<td>May include drawings, specifications, computer output, and electronic and other data. The Structural Design Documents shall show a complete design of the structure with members suitably designated and located, including such dimensions and details as necessary to permit the preparation of Fabrication and Erection Documents. Documents shall be in accordance with CSA S16 and CSA S6.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Structural Steel</td>
<td>Those items listed under Clause 2.1</td>
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<tr>
<td>Structural Steel Frame</td>
<td>An assemblage of Structural Steel components (beams, columns, purlins, girts, etc.) for the purpose of resisting loads and forces. See Clause 2.1.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Structural Steel Specifications</td>
<td>The portion of the Tender Specifications containing the requirements for the fabrication and erection of the Structural Steel.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Temporary Bracing</td>
<td>Members that are designed by the Engineer of Record or a third party, to be removed at a later date at their instruction (not to be confused with Erection Bracing).</td>
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<tr>
<td>Tender Documents</td>
<td>Drawings, BIM files, specifications, general conditions, addenda, etc., used as the basis for preparing a tender.</td>
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<td>Unit-Price Contract</td>
<td>Also called Price-per-Unit Contract. An agreement whereby the Fabricator and/or Erector contracts to fulfill the contract terms for a consideration which is based on the units of steel calculated in accordance with the CISC Code of Standard Practice for Structural Steel.</td>
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<td>Work</td>
<td>The product and/or services provided by the Steel Fabricator and/or Erector.</td>
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1.3 Governing Technical Standards


1.4 Responsibility for Design

When the Client provides the structural drawings and specifications, the Fabricator and the Erector shall not be responsible for determining the adequacy of the design nor be liable for the loss or damage resulting from an inadequate design. Should the Client desire the fabricator to assume any responsibility for design beyond that of proposing adequate connections and details, and, when required, components, members, or assemblies standardized by the Fabricator, the Client shall state clearly his requirements in the invitation to tender or in the accompanying Tender Drawings and Tender Specifications. Even though proposed connections and design details may be prepared by the Fabricator’s technical staff, the overall behaviour of the structure remains the responsibility of the designer of the structure. (See also Clause 5.6).

1.5 Responsibility for Erection Procedure

When the erection of Structural Steel is part of his Contract, the Fabricator shall be responsible for determining the Erection Procedure, for checking the adequacy of the connections for the uncompleted structure, and for providing Erection Bracing or connection details. When the erection of the Structural Steel is not part of his Contract, the Fabricator shall not be responsible for determining the Erection Procedure, for checking the adequacy of the connections for the uncompleted structure, or for providing Erection Bracing or connection details not included in the Structural Design Documents, nor shall the Fabricator be liable for loss or damage resulting from faulty erection. However, the steel Fabricator shall be informed by the Client of the erection sequence to be used, which may influence the sequence and process of the manufacturing. (See also Clauses 5.1 and 5.4).

1.6 Patented Devices

Except when the Contract Documents call for the design to be furnished by the Fabricator and/or Erector, the Fabricator and/or Erector assume that all necessary patent rights have been obtained by the Client and that the Fabricator and/or Erector will be fully protected by the Client in the use of patented designs, devices or parts required by the Structural Design Documents.

1.7 Scheduling

The Client should provide a construction schedule in the Tender Documents. In the absence of such a schedule, one should be mutually agreed upon between the contracting parties, prior to the Contract award.
2. Classification of Material

2.1 Structural Steel

Unless otherwise specified in the Tender Documents, a Contract to supply, fabricate and deliver Structural Steel shall include only those items from the following list which are clearly indicated as being required by the Structural Design Documents. (See Appendix A)

2.1.1

Anchors for Structural Steel.

Base plates and bearings for Structural Steel members.

Beams, purlins, girts forming part of the Structural Steel frame.

Bearing plates and angles for Structural Steel members and steel deck.

Bins and hoppers of 6 mm plate or heavier, attached to the Structural Steel frame(s).

Bracing for Structural Steel members, steel trusses or steel frames.

Brackets attached to the Structural Steel.

Bridge bearings connected to the Structural Steel members.

Cables for permanent bracing or suspension systems.

Canopy framing if attached to the Structural Steel frame.

Cold-formed channels when used as structural members as listed in the CISC Handbook of Steel Construction.

Columns.

Conveyor galleries and supporting bents (exclusive of conveyor stringers, deck plate and supporting posts which are normally part of the conveyor assembly).

Crane rails and stops, excluding final alignment of the rails, unless otherwise noted on the Drawings.

Curb angles and plates attached to the Structural Steel frame where shown on the Structural Design Documents.

Deck support angles at columns, walls, where shown on the Structural Steel drawings.

Diaphragms for bridges.

Door frame supports attached to the Structural Steel frame.

Expansion joints connected to the Structural Steel frame (excluding expansion joints for bridges).

Field bolts to connect Structural Steel components.

Floor plates, roof plates (raised pattern or plain) and steel grating connected to the Structural Steel frame.

Girders.

Grillage beams of Structural Steel.

Hangers supporting Structural Steel framing.

Jacking girders.

Lintels shown, detailed and dimensioned on the Structural Design Documents.

Mechanical roof support and floor opening framing shown on Structural Design Documents.

Monorail beams of standard Structural Steel shapes.
Open-web steel joists, including anchors, bridging, headers and trimmers; also, when specified to be included in the Structural Steel Design Documents, light-gauge forms and temperature reinforcement.

Sash angles shown, detailed and dimensioned on the Structural Design Documents.
Separators, angles, tees, clips and other detail fittings essential to the Structural Steel frame.
Shear connectors/studs, except when installed through the sheet steel floor or roof deck by the deck installer.
Shelf angles shown, detailed and dimensioned on the Structural Design Documents.
Shop fasteners or welds, and fasteners required to assemble parts for shipment.
Steel connection plates or fixtures for Structural Steel embedded or anchored on site in concrete or masonry.
Steel tubes or cores for composite columns or braces.
Steel window sills attached to the Structural Steel frame.
Struts.
Suspended ceiling supports of Structural Steel shapes where shown on the Structural Design Documents.
Temporary components to facilitate transportation to the site.
Tie, hanger and sag rods forming part of the Structural Steel frame.
Trusses.

2.1.2 Only if shown and designed on the Structural Design Documents and specifically noted by the Tender Documents to be supplied by the Structural Fabricator:

Steel stairs, walkways, ladders and handrails forming part of the structural steelwork. (See Appendix A)

2.2 Field Connection Material

2.2.1 When the erection of the Structural Steel is part of the Fabricator’s Contract, he shall supply all material required for temporary and for permanent connection of the component parts of the Structural Steel.

2.2.2 When the erection of the Structural Steel is not part of the Fabricator’s Contract, unless otherwise specified in the Tender Documents, the Fabricator shall furnish appropriate bolts and nuts (plus washers, if required) or special fasteners, of suitable size and in sufficient quantity for all field connections of steel to steel which are specified to be thus permanently connected, plus an over-allowance of two per cent of each size to cover waste.

Unless otherwise specified in the Tender Documents, welding electrodes, back-up bars, temporary shims, levelling plates, fitting-up bolts and drift pins required for the Structural Steel shall not be furnished by the Fabricator when the erection of the Structural Steel is not part of the Fabricator’s Contract.

2.3 Items Supplied by Others

Unless otherwise specified in the Tender Documents, the following steel or other items shall not be supplied by the Structural Steel Fabricator.

Bins and hoppers not covered in Clause 2.1 of this Code.
Bolts for wood lagging.
Bridge bearings not connected to Structural Steel items.
Canopy framing not attached to Structural Steel.
Catch basin frames.
Concrete for filling HSS or pipe sections. Concrete is to be supplied and poured by others in the shop or field with the cooperation of the Fabricator and/or Erector.
Connection material for other trades.
Conveyor stringers, deck plate and supporting posts.
Door and corner guards.
Door frames not covered in Clause 2.1 of this Code.
Drain pipes.
Drilling of holes into masonry or concrete, including core drilling of anchor rods for bridges and drilling for deck support angles.
Edge forming less than 3.2 mm thick for steel deck and not covered in Clause 2.1 of this code.
Embedded steel parts in precast concrete.
Embedded steel parts not required for Structural Steel or steel deck.
Flagpoles and supports.
Floor plates, roof plates and grating not covered in Clause 2.1 of this Code.
Grout.
Hoppers and chutes.
Hose and tire storage brackets.
Installation of structural steel parts embedded in concrete or masonry.
Lag bolts, machine bolts and shields or inserts for attaching any non-Structural Steel item
Lintels not shown, detailed and dimensioned on the Structural Design Documents.
Lintels which are an integral part of door frames.
Machine bases, rollers and pulleys.
Members made from gauge material except cold-formed channels indicated in Clause 2.1.
Metal-clad doors and frames.
Miscellaneous Steel; see Appendix F.
Shear connectors through sheet steel deck by deck installer.
Sheet steel cladding.
Sheet steel deck.
Sheet steel flashing.
Shelf angles not shown, detailed and dimensioned on the Structural Design Documents.
Shoring under composite floors and stub girders.
Steel doors.
Steel sash angles not shown, detailed and dimensioned on the Structural Design Documents.
Steel stacks.
Steel stairs, landings, walkways, ladders and handrails, not covered in Clause 2.1.2 of this Code.
Steel tanks and pressure vessels.
Steel window sills not covered in Clause 2.1 of this Code.
Support for sheet steel deck at column cut-outs and for openings not requiring framing,
connected to Structural Steel.
Temporary bracing for other trades.
Trench covers.
Trim angles, eave angles or fascia plates not directly attached to the structural steel frame.

2.4 Custom Items
The responsibility for the supply and/or installation of items not conforming to the above lists
shall be clearly identified by the Client at the time of tender.

3. Quotations and Contracts

3.1 Standard Form of Contract
Unless otherwise agreed upon, a Contract to fabricate, deliver and/or erect Structural Steel shall
be the appropriate unaltered Standard Construction Document contract issued and duly sealed
by the Canadian Construction Association (CCA) as listed at www.cca-acc.com.

3.1.1 Quotations
Unless otherwise stated, Quotations from Fabricators and/or Erectors are based on the
following documents:

(1) The appropriate unaltered CCA Contract Document with copyright seal with no
additional conditions, as issued by the Canadian Documents Committee.

It is accepted that alterations and/or additions to the standard CCA Contract Document
by the General Contractor, Constructor or Construction Manager after Quotation may
have implications not originally anticipated by the Fabricator and/or Erector. The use
of non-standard Contracts, altered or modified CCA Contract Documents shall allow
the Fabricator and/or Erector to incorporate related costs and implications into a new
Quotation for consideration.

(2) Canadian Institute of Steel Construction (CISC) Code of Standard Practice for
Structural Steel, latest edition.

3.1.2 Progress Payment Claim Form
A suggested format for a progress payment claim form is provided in Appendix G.

3.1.3 Progress Invoicing and Substantial Completion
For suggested recommended progress invoicing terms and definitions, see Appendix H.

3.2 Types of Contracts

3.2.1 For Lump Sum Price Contracts stipulating a “lump sum price”, the work required to be
performed by the Fabricator and/or Erector must be completely defined by the Tender
Documents.

3.2.2 For Unit-Price Contracts stipulating a “price per unit”, the scope of the Work, type of
materials, character of fabrication, and conditions of erection are based upon the Tender
Documents which must be a representative sample of the Work to be performed. Final unit
rates may be subject to adjustment, based on the complexity of the Issued-for-Construction (IFC) Documents. For methods of computing mass, area, or quantity, see Clause 3.5. Also see Appendix C of this Code for a suggested unit rate catalogue.

3.2.3 For Cost-Plus Contracts stipulating “cost plus fee”, the Work required to be performed by the Fabricator and/or Erector is indefinite in nature at the time the Tender Documents are prepared. Consequently the Contract Documents should define the method of measurement of Work performed, and the fee to be paid in addition to the Fabricator’s and/or Erector’s costs.

3.3 Revisions to Contract Documents

3.3.1 Revisions to the Contract Documents shall be made by the issue of dated new or revised documents. All Revisions shall be clearly indicated. Such Revisions should be issued by a Change Notice. Revisions to the Work shall not be noted on Shop Details submitted for review but should be issued on revised Construction Documents.

3.3.2 The Fabricator and/or Erector shall advise the Client or Client’s representative of any impact that such Revision or change will have on the price and/or schedule of the existing Contract. The response to the Change Notice shall be accompanied by a description of the impact change in sufficient detail to permit evaluation and prompt approval by the Client.

3.3.3 Upon agreement between the Fabricator and/or Erector and the Client or Client’s representative as to the Revision’s impact, the Client or his representative shall issue a Change Order or Extra Work Order for the Revision to the Contract for the change in the Work.

3.3.4 Unless specifically stated to the contrary, the issue of revised Contract Documents or Revisions indicated on the review documents is not authorization by the Client to release these Revisions for construction. Upon receipt of revised Construction Documents, the Fabricator and/or Erector shall notify the Client that a Revision to the Contract scope has been received, and a time frame shall be agreed for the Fabricator and/or Erector to advise the cost and schedule impact that the Revision will have on the Contract. Upon mutual agreement, and the Client’s acceptance of the cost and schedule impact, the Fabricator and/or Erector will proceed with the Revision to the Work.

3.4 Discrepancies

Unless otherwise stated in the Construction Documents, the Structural Design Documents and Construction Specifications for buildings, the Construction Specifications govern. For bridges, the Structural Design Documents govern over Construction Specifications. In case of discrepancies between the Structural Design Documents and Design Documents for other trades or disciplines, the Structural Design Documents shall govern. When it has been agreed to use an electronic Building Information Model (BIM) as part of the Construction Documents, the BIM model shall govern for dimensions and geometry, while drawings shall govern for section sizes.

3.5 Computation of Units and Mass

Unless another method is specified and fully described at the time Tenders are requested, the computed mass of steel required for the structure shall be determined by the method of computation described herein. (Although the method of computation described does not result in the actual mass of fabricated Structural Steel and other items, its relative simplicity results in low computational cost and is based on quantities which can be readily computed and checked by all parties involved to establish the basis of payment). No additional mass for welds
or mass allowance for painting, galvanizing, and metallizing is to be included in the computation of mass.

a) **Mass Density.** The mass density of steel is assumed to be 7850 kilograms per cubic metre.

b) **Shapes, Bars and Hollow Structural Sections.** The mass of shapes, bars and hollow structural sections is computed using the finished dimensions shown on shop details. No deductions shall be made for holes created by cutting, punching or drilling, for material removed by coping or clipping, or for material removed by weld joint preparation. No cutting, milling or planning allowance shall be added to the finished dimensions. The mass per metre of length for shapes and hollow structural sections is the nominal published mass. The mass per metre of length for bars is the published mass, or if no mass is published, the mass computed from the specified cross-sectional area.

c) **Plates and Slabs.** The mass/area of plates and slabs is computed using the rectangular dimensions of plates or slabs from which the finished plate or slab pieces shown on the shop details can be cut. No burning, cutting, trimming or planning allowance shall be added.

Only when it is practical and economical to do so, and the nesting configuration is agreed to between the Fabricator and/or Erector and the Client in advance of fabrication (or defined clearly in the Tender Documents), several irregularly-shaped pieces may be cut from the same plate or slab. In this case, the mass shall be computed using the rectangular dimensions of the plate or slab from which the pieces can be cut. No cutting or trimming allowance shall be added. In all cases, the specified plate or slab thickness is to be used to compute the mass. The mass of raised-pattern rolled plate is that published by the manufacturer.

d) **Bolts.** The mass of shop and field bolts, nuts and washers is computed on the basis of the Shop Details and/or Erection Documents and the nominal published mass of the applicable types and sizes of fastener.

e) **Studs.** Unless included in the contract on a “price-per-unit basis”, the mass of studs is computed on the basis of the Shop Details and/or Erection Diagrams and the published mass of the studs.

f) **Grating.** The mass/area of grating is computed on the basis of the Shop Details and/or Erection Documents, and the published mass of the grating. The area to be used is the minimum rectangular area from which the piece of grating can be cut.

g) Where supplied, such items as shims, levelling plates, temporary connection material, back-up bars and certain field “consumables” shall be considered as part of the Structural Steel whether or not indicated specifically in the Contract Documents. Such items then will be added to, and become a part of, computed mass of steel for the structure.

### 3.6 Contract Price Adjustments by Unit Price

#### 3.6.1 Lump Sum Price Contracts

When the responsibility/scope of the Fabricator and/or Erector is changed from that which was previously established by the Contract Documents, an appropriate modification of the contract
price shall be made and specified in a Lump Sum Contract; prices for additions or deletions of materials to the Work may be made on a unit-price basis. In computing the Contract price adjustment, the Fabricator and/or Erector shall consider the quantity of Work added or deleted, modifications in the character of the Work, the timeliness of the change with respect to the status of material ordering, the detailing, fabrication and erection operations, and related impact costs. A suggested format for application of Unit Rates for changes to Work is provided in Appendix B.

3.6.2 Requests for contract price adjustments shall be presented by the Fabricator and/or Erector and shall be accompanied by a description of the change in sufficient detail to permit evaluation and prompt approval by the Client.

3.6.3 Unit-Price Contracts

Generally they provide for minor revisions to the quantity of Work prior to the time Work is approved for construction. Minor revisions to the quantity of Work should be limited to an increase or decrease in the quantity of any category not exceeding ten percent. For Unit-Price Contracts, should the quantity of steel of any category vary by more than twenty percent, then the contract unit price of that category may require adjustment. Changes to the character of the Work or the mix of the Work, at any time, or changes to the quantity of the Work after the Work is approved for construction, may require a contract price adjustment. The unit-price cost of an item subject to changes made after the date of approved Issued–for-Construction Documents shall be evaluated based on the Fabricator’s Work in progress at the time of the change, as described in Appendix B.

3.6.4 A suggested format for accommodating contract price adjustments is contained in Appendix B.

3.7 Scheduling

3.7.1 The Contract Documents should specify the schedule for the performance of the Work. This schedule should state when the approved Issued-for-Construction Documents will be issued, and when Shop Details will be submitted and returned from Client review, when the job site, foundations, cores, walls, piers and abutments will be ready, free from obstructions and accessible to the Erector, so that erection can start at the designated time and continue without interference or delay caused by the Client or other trades.

3.7.2 The Fabricator and/or Erector has the responsibility to advise the Client of the effect any revision may have on the Contract schedule.

3.7.3 If the fabrication and erection schedule is significantly delayed due to revisions, or for other reasons which are the Client’s responsibility, the Fabricator and/or Erector shall advise the Client in accordance with the requirements of the Contract and the Contract schedule, and the price shall be adjusted as applicable.

4. Contract Documents

4.1 Tender Documents – Tender Drawings and Tender Specifications

4.1.1 At the time tenders are called, the steel Fabricator shall receive a complete set of Tender Documents. In order to ensure adequate and complete tenders for Lump Sum Price Contracts, these documents shall include, at minimum, complete Structural Design Documents

\footnote{For other types of contracts, it is desirable for the contract documents to be as complete as possible.}
conforming to the requirements for design drawings established in CSA S16, *Design of steel structures* or S6 *Canadian highway bridge design code*, as applicable. Structural Steel Construction Specifications should include any special requirements controlling the fabrication and erection of the Structural Steel, surface preparation and coating, and should indicate the extent of non-destructive examination, if any, to be carried out.

**4.1.2** Design drawings shall be drawn to a scale adequate to convey the required information. The drawings shall show a complete design of the structure with members suitably designated and located, including such dimensions and detailed description as necessary to permit the preparation of Fabrication and Erection Documents. Floor levels, column centres, and offsets shall be dimensioned. The term “drawings” may include computer output and other data. Stiffeners and doubler plates required to maintain stability and which are an integral part of the main member shall be shown and dimensioned.

**4.1.3** Structural Design Documents shall designate the design standards used, shall show clearly the type or types of construction to be employed, shall show the category of the structural system used for seismic design, and shall designate the material or product standards applicable to the members and details depicted. Drawings shall give the governing combinations of shears, moments, pass-through forces, and axial forces to be resisted by the connections. Refer to CSA S16, *Design of steel structures* or S6 *Canadian highway bridge design code* for mandated requirements.

**4.1.4** Where connections are not shown, the connections shall be assumed to be in accordance with the requirements of the governing technical standard/code (see Clause 1.3). The Tender Documents shall clearly define the scope of Work with respect to the responsibility to design Structural Steel connections. If the Work includes design of Structural Steel connections, the Tender Documents must include all connections forces as required by CSA S16, *Design of steel structures* or S6 *Canadian highway bridge design code*. Refer to the applicable standard for mandated requirements.

**4.2 Architectural, Electrical and Mechanical Drawings**

Architectural, electrical, additional specialty consultant, and mechanical drawings may be used as a supplement to the Structural Design Documents to define detail configurations and construction information, provided all requirements for the Structural Steel are noted on the Structural Documents. Refer to the applicable standard for mandated requirements.

**4.3 IFC Construction Documents**

**4.3.1** At the time specified in the Tender Documents or pre-award negotiations (if different), the Client shall furnish the Fabricator and/or Erector with a plot plan of the construction site, and a set of complete Issued-for-Construction Documents approved for construction consistent with the Tender Documents and any addenda or revisions thereto. These Issued-for-Construction Documents are required by the Fabricator and/or Erector for ordering the material and for the preparation and completion of fabrication and erection documents. The Issued-for-Construction Documents shall conform to the requirements of CSA S16, *Design of steel structures* or S6 *Canadian highway bridge design code* and shall show the following:

a) The complete design of the structure with members suitably designated and located, including such dimensions and detailed description as necessary to permit preparation of the Fabrication and Erection Documents. Floor levels, column centres, and offsets shall be dimensioned;
b) All Revisions from the Tender Documents clearly indicated on the IFC Construction Documents

c) All materials to be furnished by the Fabricator, together with sufficient information to prepare Fabrication and Erection Documents, including the design standards used, the type or types of construction to be employed, the category of the system used for seismic design, the applicable material or product standards, and the governing combinations of shears, moments and axial forces to be resisted by connections. Refer to the applicable standard for mandated requirements.

4.4 Architecturally Exposed Structural Steel

In addition to the preceding requirements, all structural elements, or parts thereof, to be treated as Architecturally Exposed Structural Steel must be in accordance with the requirements of Appendix I and clearly indicated on the Structural Design Documents.

4.5 Building Information Digital Modelling

4.5.1 When a project utilizes BIM as part of the Structural Design Documents, Appendix J shall be used as a guide to define the wording, extents and deliverables of BIM in Contract Documents.

4.5.2 The designated Owner of each digital model shall be responsible for the accuracy and maintenance of the model, unless otherwise stated in the Contract Documents.

4.5.3 The Contract shall clearly stipulate the party designated as the Owner of each Building Information Model to be used as part of the Contract Documents.

5. Fabrication and Erection Documents

Note: The term “shop drawings”, frequently used in the construction industry, is replaced in this Code of Standard Practice by the terms “Fabrication and Erection Documents”. These terms more correctly describe the following five separate and distinct documents that may be prepared by a Fabricator/Erector. See also Clause 1.2 for definitions. Not all of these documents will be required for every project.

5.1 Erection Diagrams

Unless provided by the Client, the Fabricator will prepare Erection Diagrams from the approved Issued-for-Construction Documents. In this regard, the Fabricator may request reproducible copies of the Structural Design Documents which may be altered for use as Erection Diagrams. When using reproducible copies of the Structural Design Documents, the Engineer of Record’s name and seal shall be removed. Erection Diagrams shall be submitted to the Designer for review and approval. Erection Diagrams are general arrangement drawings showing the principal dimensions of the structure, piece marks, sizes of the members, size (diameter) and type of bolts, bolt installation requirements, elevations of column bases, all necessary dimensions and details for setting anchor rods, and all other information necessary for the assembly of the structure. Only one reproducible copy, or electronic file, of each diagram will be submitted for review and approval, unless a BIM or a larger number of copies is required by the Client as specified in the Tender Documents.
5.2 Connection Design Details

5.2.1 When so specified in the Contract Documents, Connection Design Details shall be prepared in advance of Shop Details and submitted to the Engineer of Record for confirmation that the intent of the design is met. Connection Design Details shall provide details of standard and non-standard connections, and other data necessary for the preparation of Shop Details. Connection Design Details shall be referenced to the Design Drawings and/or Erection Diagrams. In the event that the design of connections for Structural Steel is the responsibility of the Fabricator, and the Fabricator’s Connection Design Details meet the requirements of the Contract and the governing technical standard, any change to the Fabricator’s Connection Design Details required by the Engineer of Record shall be considered as a Revision to the scope of Work.

5.2.2 Clipped Double Connections

Where two beams or girders, framing at right angles from opposite sides of a supporting member, share the same bolts, a clipped double connection shall be used unless a seated connection or other detail is used to facilitate safe erection of the beams or girders. A clipped double connection is not applicable to a two-bolt connection or when the beams are equal to or deeper than half the depth of the girder. For a description of a clipped double connection, see Appendix A.

5.3 Shop Details

Unless provided by the Client, ShopDetails shall be prepared in advance of fabrication from the information on the approved Issued-for-Construction Drawings, the Connection Design Details, and the Erection Diagrams. Shop Details shall provide complete information required by the Fabricator to complete the fabrication of various members and components of the structure, including the required material and product standards; the location, type, and size of all attachments, mechanical fasteners, and welds. When Shop Details are required to be submitted for review and approval, only one reproducible copy of each Shop Detail will be submitted, unless a digital file or a larger number of copies is required by the Client as part of the Tender Documents. If mentioned in Contract Documents, shop drawing approval can be done using an appropriate BIM approval tool.

5.3.1 Shop Details Furnished by the Client

When the Shop Details are furnished by the Client, he shall deliver them in time to permit fabrication to proceed in an orderly manner according to the time schedule agreed upon. The Client shall prepare these Shop Details, insofar as practicable, in accordance with the detailing standards of the Fabricator. The Client shall indicate, in the Tender Documents, if the BIM and digital manufacturing data will be made available to the Fabricator, and if so, the digital file format that will be provided. The Client shall be responsible for the completeness and accuracy of Shop Details so prepared, and accuracy of the BIM model and digital manufacturing data.

5.4 Erection Procedures

Erection Procedures shall outline the construction methods, erection sequence, Erection Bracing, Temporary Bracing if required, and other engineering details necessary for shipping, erecting, and maintaining the stability of the steel frame; they shall be prepared in accordance with CSA S16, Design of steel structures or S6 Canadian highway bridge design code. Erection Procedures shall be supplemented by drawings and sketches to identify the location of stabilizing elements. Erection Procedures shall be submitted for review when so specified.
5.5 Field Work Details

Field Work Details shall be prepared in accordance with CSA S16, Design of steel structures or S6 Canadian highway bridge design code and submitted to the designer for review and approval. Field Work Details shall provide complete information for modifying fabricated members on the job site. All operations required to modify the member shall be shown on the Field Work Details. If extra materials are necessary to make modifications, Shop Details shall be required.

5.6 Fabrication and Erection Document Review

Erection Diagrams, non-standard Connection Design Details, Shop Details, and Field Work Details are normally submitted for review by the Engineer of Record. The duration required for such review shall be stated in the Tender Documents so that the Fabricator can prepare his schedule accordingly. Review of submitted documents by the Engineer of Record indicates that the Fabricator has interpreted correctly the design and Construction requirements. Connection Design Details and Shop Details are reviewed by the Engineer of Record for structural adequacy and to ensure conformance with the loads, forces and special instructions contained in the Structural Design Documents. Review by the Engineer of Record of Shop Details submitted by the Fabricator does not relieve the Fabricator of the responsibility for accuracy of the detail dimensions on Shop Details, nor of the general fit-up of parts to be assembled.

5.7 Additions, Deletions or Changes

Additions, deletions or changes, when approved, will be considered as Contract revisions and constitute the Client’s authorization to release the additions, deletions or revisions for construction. See also Clauses 3.3 and 3.6.

5.8 Fabricator Models

When a Fabricator uses self-prepared three-dimensional software (BIM) specifically for his Work, the Fabricator owns the model and data.

6. Material, Fabrication, Inspection, Painting and Delivery

6.1 Quality Certification

For projects requiring a demonstrated level of quality control, CISC Certification of Steel Structures or CISC Certification of Steel Bridges may be specified. CISC Certification is a third-party audited quality certification program specific to the fabrication of steel structures or steel bridges.

6.2 Materials

Materials used by the Fabricator for structural use shall conform to those listed in CSA S16, Design of steel structures or S6 Canadian highway bridge design code, or to other published material specifications, in accordance with the requirements of the Construction Documents.
6.3 Identification
The method of identification stipulated in CSA S16, *Design of steel structures* or S6 *Canadian highway bridge design code* shall form the basis for a Fabricator’s identification of material. Control and identification procedures may differ to some extent from Fabricator to Fabricator.

6.4 Preparation of Material
Preparation of Material shall conform to the requirements of CSA S16, *Design of steel structures* or S6 *Canadian highway bridge design code*. Flame or plasma cutting of Structural Steel may be done by hand, by mechanically guided means, or automatically as permitted by the applicable governing Code.

6.5 Fitting and Fastening
6.5.1 Projecting elements of connection attachments need not be straightened in the connecting plane if it can be demonstrated that installation of the connectors or fitting aids will provide adequate contact between faying surfaces.

6.5.2 When runoff tabs are used, the Fabricator and/or Erector need not remove them unless specified in the Structural Design Documents, required by the governing technical Code or the steel is exposed to view. When their removal is required, they may be hand flame-cut close to the edge of the finished member with no more finishing required, unless other finishing is specifically called for in the Structural Design Documents or the governing technical Code.

6.6 Dimensional Tolerances
Tolerances on fabricated members shall be those prescribed in CSA S16, *Design of steel structures* or S6 *Canadian highway bridge design code*, as applicable. Tolerances on steel material supplied by the Fabricator shall meet those prescribed in CSA Standard G40.20 or the applicable ASTM Standard.

6.7 Inspection of Steelwork
Should the Client wish to have an independent inspection and/or non-destructive examination of the steelwork, he shall reserve the right to do so in the Tender Documents. Inspections shall be coordinated between the Fabricator and/or Erector and the Client’s inspector. Inspectors are to be appointed prior to the start of fabrication, and the Client is to advise the Fabricator of the arrangement made. The cost of this inspection and testing is the responsibility of the Client. Deficiencies in the Work of the Fabricator and/or Erector requiring re-inspection or re-testing shall have costs borne by the Fabricator and/or Erector. Third-party inspectors shall be duly certified and have sufficient experience for the type of inspection performed.

The Fabricator and/or Erector is responsible for providing a conforming product through internal inspection, quality control, quality assurance and any other means necessary. The Fabricator and/or Erector’s personnel used for internal visual inspection, QC or QA shall not be required to hold a visual certification to a National Standard, provided the company has assessed their competency for the Work performed.

The Canadian Welding Bureau Letter of Validation is proof that the Fabricator and/or Erector is certified for welding to CSA Standard W47.1. The applicable welding procedure standards, welding procedure data sheets, and personnel qualifications shall be available for review and verification by the Client or his representative at the place of Work, and are not intended for submission to the Client.
6.8 Surface Preparation

Unless required for a specified coating system, fabricated steelwork will not be cleaned. Surface preparation for a specified coating system shall be described in the Structural Design Documents.

If paint is specified, the Fabricator shall clean all steel surfaces to be painted of loose rust, loose mill scale, prominent spatter, slag or flux deposit, oil, dirt and other foreign matter by wire brushing or other suitable means. Unless specified in the Construction Documents, the Fabricator shall not be obliged to blast-clean, pickle or perform any specific surface preparation operation aimed at total or near-total removal of tight mill scale, rust or non-deleterious matter.

6.9 Paint Coatings

When Structural Steel is specified to receive a shop coating, the coating requirements specified in the Tender Documents shall include the identification of the members to be painted, surface preparation, application specification, the manufacturer’s product identification, and the required minimum (and maximum) dry film thickness, if required. The Fabricator shall be responsible only to the extent of performing the surface preparation and painting in the specified manner. To the extent that the Fabricator has met these requirements, the Fabricator is not responsible for the performance of the specified coating system in the service conditions and duration to which the steelwork is exposed.

The expected performance of steel with a shop coat of primer depends on the environment. The primer will provide temporary limited corrosion protection to the steel in an essentially non-corrosive atmosphere for durations not exceeding 6 or 12 months for a CISC/CPMA 1-73a or CISC/CPMA 2-75 primer respectively, or according to the manufacturer's specifications and limitations. These durations apply to installed steel or steel that is not subjected to a corrosive environment in its erected state. Uninstalled steel stored flat with the potential for water accumulation on horizontal surfaces may, in some situations, be considered a corrosive environment. The presence of minor rust bleed-through, especially between unpainted faying surfaces, is not to be considered as a failure of the paint system and is not a cause for rejection or corrective action by the Fabricator.

Unless otherwise specified, coating systems applied by steel Fabricators are for temporary corrosion protection and are not intended for esthetic or final architectural purposes. For complex anti-corrosive multi-coat industrial coating systems or architecturally exposed Structural Steel paint systems, the Fabricator’s inspection and test plan for coating applications shall be approved by the Client prior to commencement of the Work. The use of samples may be agreed upon as acceptance criteria. The Client is required to approve the coating application process on an ongoing basis throughout the execution of the project.

6.10 Marking and Shipping

6.10.1 Except for weathering steel surfaces exposed to view and for architecturally exposed Structural Steel (AESS) (see also Appendix I), erection marks shall be painted or otherwise legibly marked on the members. Preferably, members which are heavy enough to require special erection equipment shall be marked to indicate the computed or scale mass, and the centre of gravity for lifting.

6.10.2 Bolts of the same length and diameter, and loose nuts and washers of each size shall be packaged separately. Pins, bolts, nuts, washers, and other small parts shall be shipped in boxes, crates, kegs or barrels, none of which are to exceed 135 kg gross mass. A list and description of material contained therein shall be marked plainly on the outside of each container.
6.10.3 When requested by the Erector, long girders shall be loaded and marked so that they will arrive at the job site in position for handling without turning. Instructions for such delivery shall be given to the carrying agency when required.

6.10.4 For each shipment, the Fabricator shall furnish a shipping bill listing the items in the shipment. Such bill shall show the erection mark, the approximate length, the description (whether beam, column, angle, etc.) of each item. Such bill shall be signed by the receiver and returned to the Fabricator within 48 hours of receipt of the shipment with a note regarding shortages or damages, if any, and the bill shall act as a receipt for the shipment. When the shipments are made by truck transport, the bills should accompany the shipment. When shipments are made by rail or water, the bills shall be sent to the receiver to arrive on or before receipt of the shipment.

6.10.5 Unless otherwise specified at time of tender, steel during shipment will not be covered by tarpaulins or otherwise protected. When such protection is specified, the shipper is to notify the carrier of the protection requirements.

6.11 Delivery of Materials

6.11.1 Fabricated Structural Steel shall be delivered in a sequence which will permit the most efficient and economical performance of shop fabrication and erection. If the Client contracts separately for delivery supply and erection, he must coordinate planning between the Fabricator, Erector and General Contractor as applicable.

6.11.2 Anchor rods, washers and other anchorages, grillages, or materials to be built into masonry or concrete should be shipped so that they will be on hand when needed. The Client must give the Fabricator sufficient notice to permit fabrication and shipping of materials before they are needed.

6.11.3 The size and mass of Structural Steel assemblies may be limited by the shop capabilities, the permissible mass and clearance dimensions of available transportation or government regulations, and the job site conditions. The Fabricator determines the number of field splices consistent with economy. The Engineer of Record shall review and accept splice locations prior to implementation.

6.11.4 On supply-only Contracts, the unloading of steel is the responsibility of Others. Unless stated otherwise, the unloading of steel is part of the steel erection.

7. Erection

7.1 Method of Erection

Unless otherwise specified or agreed upon, erection shall proceed according to the most efficient and economical method available to the Erector on the basis of continuous operation consistent with the Construction Documents.

7.2 Erection Stability

7.2.1 Design

7.2.1.1 The Engineer of Record shall identify the following in the Tender Documents:

a) The lateral-load-resisting system and connecting diaphragm elements that provide for lateral strength and stability in the completed structure.
b) Any special erection conditions or other considerations that are required by the design concept, such as the use of shores, jacks, or loads that must be adjusted as erection progresses to set or maintain camber, position within specified tolerances, or pre-stress.

7.2.1.2 The General Contractor shall indicate to the Fabricator and/or Erector the general construction execution plan, including the installation schedule for non-structural steel elements of the lateral-load-resisting system and connecting diaphragm elements. The General Contractor shall indicate requirements for Temporary Bracing to accommodate this plan.

7.2.1.3 Based upon the information provided in Sections 7.2.1 and 7.2.2, the Fabricator and/or Erector shall determine, furnish, and install all Erection Bracing required for the erection operation. This Temporary Bracing shall be sufficient to secure the skeletal Structural Steel framing or any portion thereof against loads that are likely to be encountered during erection, including those due to wind and those that result from erection operations.

7.2.1.4 The Fabricator and/or Erector need not consider loads during erection that result from the performance of Work by, or the acts of Others, except as specifically identified by the Engineer of Record and/or the General Contractor, nor those that are unpredictable, such as loads due to hurricane, tornado, earthquake, explosion, or collision.

7.2.1.5 Temporary Bracing that is required during or after the erection of the Structural Steel Frame, including steel deck, for the support of loads caused by non-Structural Steel elements, including cladding, interior partitions, and other such elements that will induce or transmit loads to the Structural Steel frame during or after erection, shall be the responsibility of the Engineer of Record or General Contractor, as applicable.

7.2.1.6 The Structural Steel Fabricator and/or Erector shall engage the steel deck contractor to provide a bundle layout (including locations and weights) for the landing of deck bundles based on the Structural Steel erection plan.

7.2.2 Steel Erection Execution

7.2.2.1 The Steel Erection Execution Plan provides for a sequentially erected structure. The full stability of the structure is not achieved until all of the lateral support systems are in place. Proceeding with subsequent non-structural construction prior to completion shall be at the instruction and sole risk of the General Contractor, who shall make the Erector aware of the special provisions in place to accommodate any collateral building loads.

7.2.2.2 The instruction/request to proceed with the Structural Steel erection and steel deck installation will be given by the General Contractor following agreement between all parties that the following events have taken place.

   a) The Erection Diagrams and steel deck drawings have been reviewed by the Engineer of Record.

   b) The Steel Erection Execution Plan has been reviewed by the General Contractor and approved in principle for compliance with his construction execution plan.

At this time, a formal review shall be completed by all parties, and Work may proceed.

7.2.2.3 During the construction period, any other trade contractor placing a load on a steel framing member shall ensure that the load is distributed so as not to exceed the carrying capacity of the subject steel framing member.

7.2.2.4 Prior to placement of steel deck bundles, communication between the General Contractor, the steel deck installer, and the structural Fabricator and/or Erector has taken place to ensure that all requirements of the Steel Erection Execution Plan have been met and it is...
agreed that the structure (full or partial) is ready to accept the construction loads of the steel deck.

7.2.2.5 Once the deck installation and required inspections have been completed, and deficiencies addressed, responsibility for structural stability is assumed by the General Contractor.

7.2.2.6 The erection execution plan may be modified, and costs accommodated, to suit specific project requirements, pre- or post-bid, providing the Owner’s designated representative for construction has clearly stated these requirements, and they may be accomplished in a safe manner.

Temporary Bracing of the steel frame shall only be removed on instruction from the Engineer of Record.

7.3 Erection Safety

Erection shall be done in a safe manner and in accordance with applicable provincial legislation.

7.4 Site Conditions

The Client shall provide and maintain adequate, all-weather access roads cleared of snow and ice and other material that impedes entry into and through the site for the safe delivery of derricks, cranes, other necessary equipment, and the material to be erected. The Client shall provide for the Erector a firm, properly graded, drained, convenient and adequate space and laydown area for steel of sufficient load-carrying capacity at the site for the operation of erection equipment, and shall remove at the Client’s cost all overhead obstructions such as power lines, telephone lines, etc., in order to provide a safe and adequate working area for erection of the steelwork. The Erector shall provide and install the safety protection required for his own operations or for his Work forces to meet the safety requirements of applicable Acts or Codes. The General Contractor shall install protective covers on all protruding rebar, machinery, anchor rods, etc., which are a hazard to workers and shall be installed by other trades prior to commencement of steel erection. Any protection for pedestrians, property, other trades, etc., not essential to the steel erection activity is the responsibility of the Client. When the structure does not occupy the full available site, the Client shall provide adequate storage space to enable the Fabricator and Erector to operate at maximum practicable speed and efficiency. Cleaning of steelwork required because of site conditions, mud, site worker traffic, etc., shall not be to the Fabricator’s and/or Erector’s account.

7.5 Foundations

Neither the Fabricator nor the Erector shall be responsible for the accurate location, strength and suitability of foundations.

7.6 Bearing Surfaces

Levelling plates shall be set by other trades true, level and to the correct elevation.

7.7 Building Lines and Bench Marks

The Erector shall be provided with a plot plan accurately locating building lines and bench marks at the site of the structure. A survey bench mark establishing elevation and horizontal coordinates shall be provided by the Client at the site.
7.8 Installation of Anchor Rods and Embedded Items

7.8.1 Anchor rods and foundation rods shall be set by others in accordance with the Construction Documents. They must not vary from the dimensions shown on the Construction Documents by more than the following (see also Appendix D):

a) 3 mm centre-to-centre of any two rods within an anchor rod group, where an anchor rod group is defined as the set of anchor rods which receives a single fabricated steel shipping piece; 6 mm centre-to-centre of adjacent anchor rod groups;

b) Maximum accumulation of 6 mm per 30 000 mm along the established column line of multiple anchor rod groups, but not to exceed a total of 25 mm. The established column line is the actual field line most representative of the centres of the as-built anchor rod groups along a line of columns;

c) 6 mm from the centre of any anchor rod group to the established column line through that group. Shims: the finished tops of all footings shall be at the specified level which will not exceed the maximum specified grouting allowance to predetermine the amount of shimming that will be required.

The tolerances of paragraphs (a), (b), and (c) also apply to offset dimensions, shown on the Construction Documents, measured parallel and perpendicular to the nearest established column line for individual columns shown on the drawings to be offset from established column lines.

7.8.2 Unless shown otherwise, anchor rods shall be set perpendicular to the theoretical bearing surface, threads shall be protected, free of concrete, and nuts should run freely on the threads. Shear pockets shall be cleaned of debris, formwork, ice and snow by the Client prior to steel erection.

7.8.3 Other embedded items or connection materials between the Structural Steel and the Work of Others shall be located and set by Others in accordance with approved Construction Documents. Accuracy of these items must satisfy the erection tolerance requirements of Clause 7.12.

7.8.4 All Work performed by Others shall be completed so as not to delay or interfere with the erection of the Structural Steel.

7.9 Bearing Devices

The Client shall set to lines and grades all levelling plates and loose bearing plates. The Fabricator and/or Erector shall provide the wedges, shims or levelling screws that are required, and shall scribe clearly the bearing devices with working lines to facilitate proper alignment. Promptly after the setting of any bearing devices, the Client shall check lines and grades, and grout as required. The final location and proper grouting of bearing devices are the responsibility of the Client.

When steel columns, girders or beams which will be supported on concrete or masonry have base plates or bearing plates fabricated as an integral part of the member, the bearing area of the support shall be suitably prepared by Others so as to be at exact grade and level to receive the steelwork.

7.10 Site Errors or Discrepancies – Examination by Erector

The Erector shall report to the Client any errors or discrepancies in the Work of Others, as discovered, that may affect erection of Structural Steel before or during erection. The accurate
placement and integrity of all anchor rods/embedment etc., remain the responsibility of the Client.

7.11 Adjustable Shelf Angles and Sash Angles
The Erector shall position at time of erection all adjustable shelf angles and sash angles attached to the steel frame true and level, within the tolerances permitted by the governing technical standard. Any subsequent adjustment that may be necessary to accommodate the Work of Others shall be performed by other trades.

7.12 Tolerances
Unless otherwise specified, tolerances on erected Structural Steel shall be those prescribed in CSA S16, *Design of steel structures* or S6 *Canadian highway bridge design code* as applicable.

7.13 Checking Erected Steelwork
Prior to the placement or applying of any other material of any other trades, the Client shall:

- Confirm with the Erector that the structure is complete and conforming to the Construction Documents, and
- Confirm that any third-party inspection and testing and necessary corrective action have been completed, and
- Ensure that the Erector is given timely notice of acceptance by the Client or a listing of specific items to be corrected in order to obtain acceptance, and
- Ensure such notice is rendered immediately upon completion of any part of the Work and prior to the start of Work by other trades that may be supported, attached or applied to the structural steelwork.

Should such notice not be received within 14 days, or the Client commences use, occupancy, or improvement to the steelwork, then the Work is taken to have been accepted.

The Erector is not responsible for determining or effecting the stability of the structure due to temporary loads resulting from construction activities of Others.

7.14 Removal of Bracing
7.14.1 Removal of Erection Bracing
Guys, braces and falsework or cribbing supplied by the Erector shall remain the property of the Erector. The Erector shall remove them when the steel structure is otherwise adequately braced, unless other arrangements are made. Guys and braces temporarily left in place under such other arrangements shall be removed by Others, provided prior permission by the Erector for their removal has been given and they are returned to the Erector in good condition. See Clause 7.14.2.

7.14.2 Removal of Temporary Bracing
Temporary Bracing required by the structural designer shall only be removed on instruction from the Engineer of Record.
7.15 Correction of Errors When Material Is Not Erected by the Fabricator

Correction of minor misfits and a moderate amount of cutting, welding, and reaming for the project as a whole shall be considered a part of the erection, in the same manner as if the Fabricator were erecting the Work. Any major rework required due to incorrect shop Work shall be immediately reported to the Fabricator before rework commences. The Fabricator shall then either correct the error, resupply the item within a reasonable time period, or approve the method of correction including applicable costs, whichever is the most economical. The definitions of major and minor rework should be agreed to prior to the commencement of the project.

7.16 Field Assembly

Unless otherwise specified, the Fabricator shall provide for suitable field connections that will, in his opinion, afford the greatest overall economy.

7.17 Accommodation of Other Trades

Neither the Fabricator nor the Erector shall cut, drill or otherwise alter the Work of Others or his own Work to accommodate other trades, unless such Work is clearly defined in the Structural Steel and Tender Documents, and detailed information is provided before the Erection Documents are approved. Any subsequent cutting, drilling or other alteration of the Structural Steel performed by the Fabricator or the Erector for the accommodation of other trades shall be specifically agreed upon and authorized by the Client before such Work is commenced.

7.18 Temporary Floors and Access Stairs

Unless otherwise required by law or in the Tender Documents, all temporary access stairs shall be provided by Others, except for the floor upon which erecting equipment is located. On this floor, the Erector shall provide such temporary flooring as he requires, moving his planking, etc., as the Work progresses.

7.19 Touch-Up of Shop Paint Coatings

Touch-up may also be required for unfinished field bolts or at masked connection areas. It is normal to expect that painted or coated Structural Steel surfaces will be subject to damage due to handling from loading, off-loading and installation, and due to abrasions during shipment. Unless so specified, the Fabricator and/or Erector will not perform any field coating touch-ups, spot-paint field fasteners and field welds, nor touch-up abrasions to the shop paint.

7.20 Final Painting

Unless so specified, the Fabricator and/or Erector will not be responsible for cleaning the steel after erection in preparation for field painting, nor for any general field painting that may be required.

7.21 Final Cleanup

Except as provided in Clause 7.14, upon completion of erection and before final acceptance, the Erector shall remove all falsework, rubbish and temporary building furnished by him.
1. Anchors (wall) for beams or open-web steel joists
2. Anchor rods for structural steel
3. Base plates of steel for steel columns
4. Beams
5. Bearing plates for structural steel
6. Bolts
7. Bracing for steel members or frames
8. Brackets attached to the steel frame
9. Clipped double connection*
10. Columns
11. Conveyor structural steel framework
12. Crane, girders, rails and stops
13. Door frames constituting part of and connected to the steel frame
14. Floor and roof plates (raised pattern or plain), grating, connected to steel frame
15. Gerber girder*
16. Girders
17. Girts
18. Grillage beams of steel
19. Headers or trimmers for support of open-web steel joists where such headers or trimmers frame into structural steel members
20. Hollow structural section (HSS) column

21. Light-gauge cold-formed steel used to support floor and roofs**
22. Lintels attached to steel frame
23. Marquee or canopy (structural frame only) when forming an integral part of the steel frame
24. Monorail beams of standard structural shapes, attached to steel frame
25. Open-web steel joists, bridging and accessories when supplied with steel joists
26. Purlins
27. Sash angles connected to the steel frame
28. Separators, angles, tees, clips and other detail fitting essential to the structural steel frame
29. Shear connectors
30. Shell angles attached to the steel frame
31. Steel cores for composite columns
32. Steel window sills attached to the steel frame
33. Steel stairs and handrails
34. Struts
35. Stub girders*
36. Suspended ceiling supports of structural steel shapes 75 mm or greater in depth
37. Ties, hangers and sag rods forming part of the structural frame
38. Trusses and braced frames

* See separate diagram  ** Supplied by others
B1. Unit rates for Changes shall apply on their own, only up until commencement of material order or shop detail drawings, whichever is the earlier.

B2. It is accepted that Unit Rates for additions will be higher than for rates for deletions. Unit Rates for both additions and deletions should be requested in the Tender Documents if Unit Prices are to be used for the project.

B3. The following amounts, additional to the unit rate, shall be charged on additions at the various stages of the contract.

   a) If the addition affects drawings (e.g. of support members) already in progress or complete, then the changes to such drawings or re-detailing shall be charged extra at an agreed hourly rate.

   b) If the addition requires additional Work to material manufacture or erection (e.g. supporting members) in progress or complete, then such additional Work shall be charged extra at an agreed hourly rate.

   c) “Detail” or “Connection” materials added to existing or supporting members, whether due to an additional member or not, shall be charged on a cost-plus basis.

   d) If the timing of the addition causes the added material to be shipped as a part load, then transportation shall be charged extra at cost plus an agreed percentage markup.

B4. The following amounts, additional to the unit rate, shall be charged for deletions at the various stages of the contract.

   a) If the deleted material has been ordered or delivered and cannot be used elsewhere, then a restocking charge shall be levied.

   b) If the deleted member has been detailed or drawings are in progress, then the cost of such drawings shall be charged extra at an agreed hourly rate.

   c) If the deletion affects drawings already completed or in progress, then the changes to such drawings or the re-detailing shall be charged extra at an agreed hourly rate.

   d) If the deleted member has been manufactured or erected, or manufacture or erection is in progress, then the cost of such manufacture or erection shall be charged extra at an agreed hourly rate or lump sum cost.

   e) If the deletion affects members already manufactured (e.g. supporting members), then the changes to such members shall be charged extra at an agreed hourly rate or lump sum cost.

   f) If the deleted member has already been shipped, then no credit shall be given.

B5. All unit rates shall be applied in accordance with the CISC Code of Standard Practice, Clause 3.5.
B6. Hourly Rates for additions are as follows:

- a) Engineering Design – $ / labour hour
- b) Detailing Labour – $ / labour hour
- c) Shop Labour – $ / labour hour
- d) Field Labour – $ / labour hour
- e) Equipment used for revisions will be charged at negotiated rental rates, according to Canadian Construction Association standard practice.

B7. Revisions involving the use of grades of steel, sources of supply, or types of sections other than specified will be subject to price adjustments.

B8. Mass will be computed in accordance with Clause 3.5 of the CISC Code of Standard Practice for Structural Steel.
APPENDIX C
A Suggested Format for Price-per-Unit Contracts
Category List C1

It is common practice in the industry to limit categories for structural steel to light, medium and heavy steel members. These very general categories require the Fabricator to make allowance for the very large degree of complexity that may be encountered in the final project design. This comprehensive category list removes variability of complexity from each category, enabling a more economical price evaluation for each category.

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**Category List C1 (Cont'd)**

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APPENDIX C
A Suggested Format for Price-per-Unit Contracts
Category List C2

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This Code of Standard Practice for Structural Steel (in PDF format) and the above Category Lists C1 and C2 (in Excel format) may be downloaded from the CISC website at this link:

APPENDIX D
Tolerances on Anchor Rod Placement

\[ n \]

\[ n-1 \]

\[ n = \text{total number of columns} \]

± 6 mm
max. deviation

If column offset from main column line

\[ L \pm 25 \text{ mm} \]

\[ 30 \text{,}000 \pm 6 \text{ mm} \]

\[ \pm 6 \text{ mm} \]
max. deviation

\[ \pm 3 \text{ mm} \]

\[ \pm 6 \text{ mm} \]
max. deviation

\[ \pm 6 \text{ mm} \]

\[ \pm 3 \text{ mm} \]

Varies from 0 to \( L - 30\,000 \text{ mm} \)

\[ \text{GRID} \]

\[ \text{ANCHOR RODS} \]
APPENDIX E
Conversion of SI Units to Imperial Units

When Imperial units are used in contract documents, unless otherwise stipulated, the SI units used in the CISC Code of Standard Practice for Structural Steel shall be replaced by the Imperial units shown, for the clause as noted.

Clause 3.5 (a). Unit Weight. The unit weight of steel is assumed to be 0.2833 pounds per cubic inch.

For other clauses, the standard conversion factors (for length, mass, etc.) stipulated in the CISC Handbook should be used.

Note: Imperial projects should be entirely in the imperial designation including shape sizes. Metric projects should be entirely in the SI designation, including shape sizes. Units should not be intermixed on the same project.
APPENDIX F
Miscellaneous Steel

Unless otherwise specified in the tender documents, the following items are considered miscellaneous steel of ferrous metal only, fabricated from 2.0 mm (14 ga.) and more of metal, including galvanizing, cadmium and chrome plating, but not stainless steel and cast iron items. This list of items is to be read in conjunction with Clause 2.1 Structural Steel and Clause 2.3 Items Supplied by Others, and shall include all steel items not included in Clauses 2.1 and 2.3, unless specified otherwise.

Access doors and frames — except trade-name items and those required for servicing mechanical and electrical equipment.

Angles and channel frames for doors and wall openings — drilling and tapping to be specified as being done by Others.

Benches and brackets.

Bollards, bumper posts and rails

Bolts — only includes those bolts and anchors required for anchoring miscellaneous steel supplied under this list.

Burglar/security bars.

Clothes line poles, custom-fabricated types only.

Coat rods, custom-fabricated types only.

Corner protection angles.

Expansion joint angles, plates custom-fabricated, etc., including types made from steel, or a combination of steel and non-ferrous metal.

Fabricated convector frames and enclosures.

Fabricated items where clearly detailed or specified and made from 2.0 mm (14 ga.) and heavier steel, except where included in another division.

Fabricated steel framing for curtain walls and storefronts where not detailed on structural drawings and not enclosed by architectural metal.

Fabricated wire mesh and expanded metal partitions and screens.

Fire escapes.

Flag poles — steel custom-fabricated. (Excluding hardware)

(Custom-fabricated) Footscrapers, mud and foot grilles, including pans, but less drains.

Frames, grating and plate covers for manholes, catch basins, sumps, trenches, hatches, pits, etc., except cast iron, frames and covers and trade-name floor and roof drains.

Gates, grilles, grillwork and louvres, excluding baked enamel or when forming part of mechanical system.

Grating-type floors and catwalks — excluding those forming part of mechanical system.

Handrails, balusters and any metal brackets attached to steel rail including plastic cover, excluding steel handrails forming part of structural steel framing.

Joist hangers, custom-fabricated types only.

Joist strap anchors.

Lintels, unless shown on structural drawings.
Mat recess frames, custom-fabricated types only.
Mobile chalk and tackboard frames, custom-fabricated types only.
Monorail beams of standard shapes, excluding trade-name items, unless shown on structural drawings.
Shop drawings and/or erection diagrams.
Shop preparation and/or priming.
Sleeves, if specified, except for mechanical and electrical division.
Stair nosings, custom-fabricated types only.
Steel ladders and ladder rungs not forming part of Structural Steel or mechanical work.
Steel stairs and landings not forming part of Structural Steel.
Table and counter legs, frames and brackets, custom-fabricated types only.
Thresholds and sills, custom-fabricated types only.
Vanity and valance brackets, custom-fabricated types only.
Weatherbars — steel.

**Miscellaneous Steel Items Excluded**

- Bases and supports for mechanical and electrical equipment where detailed on mechanical or electrical drawings.
- Bolts other than for anchoring items of miscellaneous steel.
- Cast iron frames and covers for manhole and catch basins.
- Chain link and woven wire mesh.
- Glulam connections and anchorages.
- Joist hangers, trade-name types.
- Metal cladding and covering, less than 2.0 mm (14 ga.).
- Precast concrete connections and anchorages in building structure.
- Reinforcing steel or mesh.
- Roof and floor hatches when trade-name items.
- Sheet metal items, steel decking and siding and their attachments, closures, etc., less than 2.0 mm (14 ga.).
- Shoring under composite floors and stub-girders.
- Steel reinforcement for architectural metal storefronts, curtain walls and windows.
- Steel stacks.
- Stone anchors.
- Stud shear connectors when used with steel deck.
- Temporary bracing for other trades.
- Thimbles and breeching, also mechanical fire dampers.
- Window and area wells.

When the miscellaneous steel fabricator erects miscellaneous steel, all material required for temporary and/or permanent connections of the component parts of the miscellaneous steel shall be supplied.
# APPENDIX G
A Suggested Format for a
Monthly Progress Payment Claim Form

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APPENDIX H
Suggested Terms for Progress Invoicing
and Substantial Performance

H1. Progress Invoicing

Monthly Progress Payments shall be based on the percentage completed of each agreed progress payment criteria during the subject billing period. Suggested progress payment criteria include:

a) Shop Details and/or Erection Diagrams submitted for review.
b) Raw materials received at the fabricators plant.
c) Fabrication of materials.
d) Release for shipment, or shipment to site, as applicable.
e) Erection of materials.
f) Finishing of erected steel Work

H2. Substantial Performance and Statutory Holdback

a) Unless stated otherwise in the Contract, substantial completion criteria and release of statutory holdback shall conform to the requirements of standard construction contracts approved by the Canadian Construction Documents Committee or the Canadian Construction Association, and the governing provincial lien legislation.

b) Contracts for supply only of structural or miscellaneous steel may not be subject to statutory holdback in accordance with the governing provincial lien acts.

c) Substantial completion of Work is be directly related to the Work of the steel Fabricator or Erector, unless stated otherwise in the Contract.
APPENDIX I

Architecturally Exposed Structural Steel (AESS)

I1. Scope and Requirements

I1.1 General Requirements. When members are specifically designated as “Architecturally Exposed Structural Steel” or “AESS” in the Contract Documents, the requirements in Sections 1 through 7 shall apply as modified by this Appendix. AESS members or components shall be fabricated and erected with the care and dimensional tolerances that are stipulated in Sections I2 through I5.

I1.2 Definition of Categories. Categories are listed in the AESS Matrix shown in Table I1, where each Category is represented by a set of Characteristics. The following Categories shall be used when referring to AESS:

   AESS 1: Basic Elements
   Suitable for “basic” elements which require enhanced workmanship.

   AESS 2: Feature Elements Viewed at a Distance > 6 m
   Suitable for “feature” elements viewed at a distance greater than six metres. The process involves basically good fabrication practices with enhanced treatment of weld, connection and fabrication detail, tolerances for gaps, and copes.

   AESS 3: Feature Elements Viewed at a Distance ≤ 6 m
   Suitable for “feature” elements, where the designer is comfortable allowing the viewer to see the art of metalworking. Welds are generally smooth but visible; some grind marks are acceptable. Tolerances are tighter than normal standards. The structure is normally viewed closer than six metres and is frequently subject to touching by the public.

   AESS 4: Showcase Elements
   Suitable for “showcase or dominant” elements, where the designer intends the form to be the only feature showing in an element. All welds are ground, and filled edges are ground square and true. All surfaces are sanded/filled. Tolerances of fabricated forms are more stringent – generally one-half of the standard tolerance. All surfaces are to be “glove” smooth.

   AESS C: Custom Elements
   Suitable for elements which require a different set of Characteristics than specified in Categories 1, 2, 3 or 4.

I1.3 Additional Information. The following additional information shall be provided in the Contract Documents when AESS is specified:

   a) Specific identification of members or components that are AESS using the AESS Categories listed in I1.2. Refer to Table I1;
b) Fabrication and/or erection tolerances that are to be more restrictive than provided for in this Appendix;

c) For Categories AESS 2, 3 and 4, requirements, if any, of a visual sample or first-off component for inspection and acceptance standards prior to the start of fabrication;

d) For Category AESS C, the AESS Matrix included in Table II shall be used to specify the required treatment of the element.

I2. Shop Detail, Arrangement and Erection Drawings

I2.1 Identification. All members designated as AESS members are to be clearly identified with a Category, either AESS 1, 2, 3, 4 or C, on all shop detail, arrangement and erection drawings.

I2.2 Variations. Any variations from the AESS Categories listed must be clearly noted. These variations could include machined surfaces, locally abraded surfaces, and forgings. In addition:

a) If a distinction is to be made between different surfaces or parts of members, the transition line/plane must be clearly identified/defined on the shop detail, arrangement and erection drawings;

b) Tack welds, temporary braces and fixtures used in fabrication are to be indicated on shop drawings;

c) All architecturally sensitive connection details will be submitted for approval to the Architect/Engineer prior to completion of shop detail drawings.

I3. Fabrication

I3.1 General Fabrication. The Fabricator is to take special care in handling the steel to avoid marking or distorting the steel members.

a) All slings will be nylon-type or chains with softeners, or wire rope with softeners.

b) Care shall be taken to minimize damage to any shop paint or coating.

c) If temporary braces or fixtures are required during fabrication or shipment, or to facilitate erection, care must be taken to avoid and/or repair any blemishes or unsightly surfaces resulting from the use or removal of such temporary elements.

d) Tack welds shall be ground smooth.

I3.2 Unfinished, Reused or Weathering Steel. Members fabricated of unfinished, reused or weathering steel that are to be AESS may still have erection marks, painted marks or other marks on surfaces in the completed structure. Special requirements shall be specified as Category AESS C.

I3.3 Tolerances for Rolled Shapes. The permissible tolerances for depth, width, out-of-square, camber and sweep of rolled shapes shall be as specified in CSA G40.20/21 and ASTM A6. The following exceptions apply:

a) For Categories AESS 3 and 4: the matching of abutting cross-sections shall be required;

b) For Categories AESS 2, 3 and 4: the as-fabricated straightness tolerance of a member is one-half of the standard camber and sweep tolerance in CSA G40.20/21.
13.4 **Tolerances for Built-up Members.** The tolerance on overall section dimensions of members made up of plates, bars and shapes by welding is limited to the accumulation of permissible tolerances of the component parts as provided by CSA W59 and ASTM A6. For Categories AESS 2, 3 and 4, the as-fabricated straightness tolerance for the built-up member is one-half of the standard camber and sweep tolerances in CSA W59.

13.5 **Joints.** For Categories AESS 3 and 4, all copes, miters and butt cuts in surfaces exposed to view are made with uniform gaps, if shown to be open-joint, or in uniform contact if shown without gap.

13.6 **Surface Appearance.** For Categories AESS 1, 2 and 3, the quality surface as delivered by the mills will be acceptable. For Category AESS 4, the steel surface imperfections should be filled and sanded.

13.7 **Welds.** For corrosive environments, all joints should be seal-welded. In addition:
   a) For Categories AESS 1, 2 and 3, a smooth uniform weld will be acceptable. For Category AESS 4, the weld will be contoured and blended.
   b) For Categories AESS 1, 2, 3 and 4, all weld spatter is to be avoided/removed where exposed to view.
   c) For Categories AESS 1 and 2, weld projection up to 2 mm is acceptable for butt and plug-welded joints. For Categories AESS 3 and 4, welds will be ground smooth/filled.

13.8 **Weld Show-through.** It is recognized that the degree of weld show-through, which is any visual indication of the presence of a weld or welds on the opposite surface from the viewer, is a function of weld size and material thickness.
   a) For Categories AESS 1, 2 and 3, the members or components will be acceptable as produced.
   b) For Category AESS 4, the fabricator shall minimize the weld show-through.

13.9 **Surface Preparation for Painting.** Unless otherwise specified in the Contract Documents, the Fabricator will clean AESS members to meet the requirement of SSPC-SP 6 “Commercial Blast Cleaning” (sandblast or shotblast). Prior to blast cleaning:
   a) Any deposits of grease or oil are to be removed by solvent cleaning, SSPC-SP 1;
   b) Weld spatter, slivers and surface discontinuities are to be removed;
   c) Sharp edges resulting from flame cutting, grinding and especially shearing are to be softened.

13.10 **Hollow Structural Sections (HSS) Seams**
   a) For Categories AESS 1 and 2, seams of hollow structural sections shall be acceptable as produced.
   b) For Category AESS 3, seams shall be oriented away from view or as indicated in the Contract Documents.
   c) For Category AESS 4, seams shall be treated so that they are not apparent.
I4. Delivery of Materials

I4.1 General Delivery. The Fabricator shall use special care to avoid bending, twisting or otherwise distorting the Structural Steel. All tie-downs on loads will be either nylon strap or chains with softeners to avoid damage to edges and surfaces of members.

I4.2 Standard of Acceptance. The standard for acceptance of delivered and erected members shall be equivalent to the standard employed at fabrication.

I5. Erection

I5.1 General Erection. The Erector shall use special care in unloading, handling and erecting the AESS to avoid marking or distorting the AESS. The Erector must plan and execute all operations in a manner that allows the architectural appearance of the structure to be maintained.

a) All slings will be nylon-strap or chains with softeners.

b) Care shall be taken to minimize damage to any shop paint or coating.

c) If temporary braces or fixtures are required to facilitate erection, care must be taken to avoid and/or repair any blemishes or unsightly surfaces resulting from the use or removal of such temporary elements.

d) Tack welds shall be ground smooth and holes shall be filled with weld metal or body filler and smoothed by grinding or filling to the standards applicable to the shop fabrication of the materials.

e) All backing bars shall be removed and ground smooth.

f) All bolt heads in connections shall be on the same side, as specified, and consistent from one connection to another.

I5.2 Erection Tolerances. Unless otherwise specified in the Contract Documents, members and components are plumbed, levelled and aligned to a tolerance equal to that permitted for structural steel.

I5.3 Adjustable Connections. When more stringent tolerances are specifically required for erecting AESS, the Owner’s plans shall specify/allow adjustable connections between AESS and adjoining structural elements, in order to enable the Erector to adjust and/or specify the method for achieving the desired dimensions. Adjustment details proposed by the Erector shall be submitted to the Architect and Engineer for review.
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| 1.2 | Rough surfaces are to be deburred and ground smooth. Sharp edges resulting from flame cutting, grinding and especially shearing are to be softened.  
| 1.3 | Intermittent welds are made continuous, either with additional welding, caulking or body filler. For corrosive environments, all joints should be seal welded. Seams of hollow structural sections shall be acceptable as produced.  
| 1.4 | All bolt heads in connections shall be on the same side, as specified, and consistent from one connection to another.  
| 1.5 | Weld spatter, slivers and surface discontinuities are to be removed. Weld projection up to 2 mm is acceptable for butt and plug-welded joints.  
| 2.1 | Visual samples are either a 3-D rendering, a physical sample, a first-off inspection, a scaled mock-up or a full-scale mock-up, as specified in Contract Documents.  
| 2.2 | These tolerances are required to be one-half of those of standard structural steel as specified in CSA S16.  
| 2.3 | Members marked with specific numbers during the fabrication and erection processes are not to be visible.  
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| 3.1 | All mill marks are not to be visible in the finished product.  
| 3.2 | Caulking or body filler is acceptable.  
| 3.3 | Seams shall be oriented away from view or as indicated in the Contract Documents.  
| 3.4 | The matching of abutting cross-sections shall be required.  
| 3.5 | This characteristic is similar to 2.2 above. A clear distance of 3 mm between abutting members is required.  
| 3.6 | Hidden bolts may be considered.  
| 4.1 | HSS seams shall be treated so that they are not apparent.  
| 4.2 | In addition to a contoured and blended appearance, welded transitions between members are also required to be contoured and blended.  
| 4.3 | Steel surface imperfections should be filled and sanded.  
| 4.4 | The back face of a welded element caused by the welding process can be minimized by hand grinding the back side of the weld. The degree of weld show-through is a function of weld size and material.  
| C. | Additional characteristics may be added for custom elements.  

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APPENDIX J

Building Information Modelling

This Appendix is intended to facilitate the understanding and use of digital modelling technology in the design and construction of Steel Structures.


J1.1 Scope

The provisions in this Appendix shall apply when the Contract Documents indicate that a three-dimensional digital Building Information Model (BIM) or Digital/Electronic Model replaces Contract Documents and is to be used as the primary means of designing, representing, and exchanging Structural Steel data for the project. In this case, references to the Design Drawings shall apply to the Design Model, and references to Fabrication and Erection Documents shall apply to the Manufacturing Model.

If the primary means of project communication reverts from a model-based (electronic) system to a paper-based system, the requirements of this Appendix are no longer applicable.

J1.2 Definitions

See Section 1.2 of the CISC Code of Standard Practice for all definitions related to this Appendix.

J2. Supplementary Technical Standards

The following references are provided as a guide to assist in developing a BIM Execution Plan with reference to the Contract Documents. The provisions of other standards shall be applicable if called for in the Project Tender Documents and Construction Specifications.

BIM Execution Plan – *Project Execution Planning Guide V2.0 Released July 2010*

https://bim.psu.edu/

LOD – *2014 LOD Specification*

https://bimforum.org/loid/

LOD Matrix (also referred to as a model element table) – AIA Document E203 - 2013

http://www4.fm.virginia.edu/fpc/ContractAdmin/ProfSvcs/BIMAIASample.pdf


https://aisc.org/WorkArea/showcontent.aspx?id=6444

J3. File Format

The Industry Foundation Class Model should be used, unless otherwise agreed, as the Building Information Model for structural steel. The Industry Foundation Class model for Structural Steel may exist solely as the project’s BIM or may be integrated into a multi-disciplinary BIM for projects adopting greater digital model design application.

Refer to the Electronic Data Interchange Project Flowchart (Figure J1) for an example of this interoperability. The figure demonstrates how the BIM file serves several functions. It acts as
the repository for project information developed in stand-alone external software platforms such as the manufacturing model. It also acts as a source file from which contract documentation and specific model data can be extracted for further analysis.

![Electronic Data Interchange Project Flowchart](image)

**Figure J1**

*Note: Images taken from www.vectorworks.net*

### J4. Content and Purpose of the BIM Files

In addition to the requirements in Clause 4 related to Contract Documents, the following requirements shall apply to the BIM file.

**J4.1 The BIM file is intended to:**

a) Govern over all other forms of information, including drawings, sketches, etc., unless specifically noted otherwise in the Construction Documents.

b) Include all steel elements (primary and secondary structural), as well as any other entities required for strength and stability of the completely erected structure.

c) Include entities that fully define each steel element, and the extent of detailing of each element, as would be recorded on an equivalent set of Structural Design Documents (see Clause 4.1.2).

d) Contain Analysis Model data so as to include load calculations as indicated in the Construction Specifications referencing jurisdictional codes.

e) Conform to the required Level of Development (LOD). See Figures J2, J3, and J4.

f) Provide a common reference point and datum (0, 0, 0).

g) Contain all necessary information to comply with downstream user requirements (i.e. design loads, member sizes, dimensions, etc.).
J5. Project Governance

For all BIM projects, a BIM Administrator will be assigned and provided by Others.

J5.1 The BIM Administrator will ensure that the BIM Execution Plan is followed. BIM Administrator responsibilities are intended to include the following:

a) Define control of the BIM by providing appropriate access privileges (read, write, etc.) to all relevant parties.

b) Maintain the security of the BIM.

c) Guard against data loss of the BIM.

d) Be responsible for updates and revisions to the BIM as they occur, and archive all versions with appropriate annotations.

e) Inform all involved parties regarding changes to the BIM.

J6. Usability and Protocol

J6.1 In addition to the requirements in Clause 5 related to Fabrication and Erection Documents, the following requirements shall apply:

a) In the event of a conflict between the BIM and Design Documents, the BIM Execution Plan will determine which document governs. In the absence of this clarification in the BIM Execution Plan, the BIM file shall govern.

b) The responsibility for the development and accuracy of the information added to the BIM file shall be defined in the Contract Documents. In the absence of such terms regarding the information added by the Fabricator (via sharing of the manufacturing model) to the BIM in the Construction Documents, the responsibility will belong to the Fabricator in accordance with the appropriate LOD definition. For clarification related to instructions provided to the Fabricator by other project stakeholders, see LOD Section J8 of this Appendix.

c) During the development of the Manufacturing Model, any relocation of, or adjustments to, members will only be done with approval by the Engineer of Record.

d) The Fabricator and Erector shall accept the use of the Manufacturing Model and the BIM under the same conditions as set forth in Clause 4.3.1, except as modified in J7.

J7. Review

Review of the Manufacturing Model by the Engineer of Record may replace the review of the actual Fabrication and Erection Documents. For this method to be effective, a system must be in place to capture review comments and action items, and to complete the review, correction and final release of the Manufacturing Model for fabrication of structural steel. The versions of the model shall be tracked with review comments permanently attached to the versions of the model to the same extent as such data is maintained with conventional hard copy approvals. The Industry Foundation Class Standard provides this level of tracking.

J7.1 When a review of the detailed material is to be done by using the Manufacturing Model, the version of the submitted model shall be identified. Comments attached to the individual elements as specified in the BIM Execution Plan shall be used to annotate the Manufacturing
Model. The Fabricator will issue the revised Manufacturing Model for review, and the version of the model submitted will be tracked as previously defined.

J8. Level of Development (LOD)

It is important to identify the extent of information that will be provided in the BIM by each stakeholder. The LOD matrix provides a mechanism for defining these responsibilities and commitments. Prior to the development of the LOD matrix specific to any given project, it will be assumed that the detailer will only be responsible for providing information up to the “as-fabricated” state, commonly referred to as LOD 400. Changes beyond the base scope of Work are to be inputted into the BIM by the Owner, unless otherwise agreed to as part of the change management process.

The LOD matrix will determine which project team member is responsible for developing the model to the associated LOD status by assigning a Model Element Author (MEA) for each specific development status number for each line item. An example table taken from AIA document E202 is provided below for general reference.

### § 43 Model Element Table

Identify (1) the LOD required for each Model Element at the end of each phase, and (2) the Model Element Author (MEA) responsible for developing the Model Element to the LOD identified.

Insert abbreviations for each MEA identified in the table below, such as “A – Architect,” or “C – Contractor.”

**NOTE**: LODs must be adapted for the unique characteristics of each Project.

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**LOD Descriptions**

**Figure J3**

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