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## Standard Classification for Sizes of Aggregate for Road and Bridge Construction<sup>1</sup>

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### 1. Scope

1.1 This classification defines aggregate size designations and ranges in mechanical analyses for standard sizes of coarse aggregate and screenings for use in the construction and maintenance of various types of highways and bridges.

1.2 With regard to sieve sizes and the size of aggregate as determined by the use of testing sieves, the values in inch-pound units are shown for the convenience of the user; however, the standard sieve designation shown in parentheses is the standard value as stated in Specification E 11E 11.

### 2. Referenced Documents

2.1 *ASTM Standards:*

C 136 Test Method for Sieve Analysis of Fine and Coarse Aggregates<sup>2</sup>

D 75 Practice for Sampling Aggregates<sup>3</sup>

E 11 Specification for Wire-Cloth Sieves for Testing Purposes<sup>4</sup>

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<sup>2</sup> Annual Book of ASTM Standards, Vol 04.02.

<sup>3</sup> Annual Book of ASTM Standards, Vol 04.03.

<sup>4</sup> Annual Book of ASTM Standards, Vol 14.02.

### 3. Significance and Use

3.1 Contract documents may specify certain of these aggregate sizes for specific uses or may suggest one or more of these sizes as appropriate for the preparation of various end-product mixtures. In some cases, closer limits on variability of the aggregate grading may be required.

### 4. Manufacture

4.1 The standard sizes of aggregate described in this classification may be manufactured by means of any suitable process used to separate raw material into the desired size ranges. Standard sizes may also be produced by blending two or more different components.

### 5. Standard Sizes

5.1 Standard sizes of coarse aggregate shall comply with the sizes given in Table 1. All sizes shall be determined by means of laboratory sieves having square openings and conforming to Specification E 11E 11.

### 6. Basis of Classification

6.1 Classification is based upon the size number and size ranges shown in Table 1 with the aggregate sampled in accordance with Practice D 75D 75 and tested for grading by Test Method C 136C 136.