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General changes across sections

A series of corrections were made as part a of a general quality assurance review including thousands of punctuation and spelling. Changes were made to improve consistency and ensure Canadian spelling throughout, for example 'colour' rather than 'color', 'fibre' rather than 'fiber'.

Enhancements were also made to align with SectionFormat™, such as listing standards under a heading of REFERENCE STANDARDS. For consistency in tab levels, ABBREVIATIONS, DEFINITIONS and REFERENCE STANDARDS were all promoted to top-level article titles. Other changes were made to reflect specification writing language such as changing the requirement to submit (rather than provide) engineer sealed drawings.

There are over one hundred references to the national model codes throughout NMS which were reviewed and updated to the 2015 edition. There are a few exceptions related to seismic design that require additional review before updating code references.

A few sections were renumbered or re-titled to align with MasterFormat® and a more extensive adjustment will be released on the next publication.

Technical updates

SECTION	TITLE	STATUS
01 23 00 Formerly: 01 23 10	ALTERNATIVES	Renumbered
02 03 43 Formerly: 02 43 13.05	PERIOD STRUCTURE RELOCATING Formerly: HISTORIC - STRUCTURE RELOCATION	Updated, renamed and renumbered
08 36 19	MULTI-LEAF VERTICAL LIFT DOORS	Updated
09 91 13	EXTERIOR PAINTING	Updated
09 91 13.23 Formerly: 09 97 19	EXTERIOR PAINTING OF STRUCTURAL STEEL Formerly: PAINTING EXTERIOR METAL SURFACES	Updated, renamed and renumbered
31 11 00	CLEARING AND GRUBBING	Updated
31 31 19.13	CHEMICAL VEGETATION CONTROL	Updated
31 32 19.13	GEOGRID SOIL STABILIZATION	Updated
31 32 19.16 Formerly: 31 32 19.01	GEOTEXTILE SOIL STABILIZATION Formerly: GEOTEXTILES	Updated, renamed and renumbered
32 01 90.33	TREE AND SHRUB PRESERVATION	Updated
32 32 34	REINFORCED SOIL RETAINING WALLS	Updated
32 33 00 Formerly: 32 37 00	SITE FURNISHINGS Formerly: EXTERIOR SITE FURNISHINGS	Updated, renamed and renumbered
33 32 13.13 Formerly: 32 32 13.13	PACKAGED SEWAGE LIFT, WET WELL TYPE	Renumbered
33 47 13 Formerly: 31 32 19.02	POND AND RESERVOIR LINERS Formerly: GEOMEMBRANES	Updated, renamed and renumbered
35 31 19	REVETMENTS	Updated

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