

APPENDIX E
REQUIRED PIPE CLASS FOR
REINFORCED CONCRETE PIPE

The attached chart contains the required pipe class for reinforced concrete pipe. It was developed using the revised bedding factors outlined in ACPA publication Design Data 40. This chart should be used as a reference when standard conditions apply.

Standard conditions assume that the pipe is installed in a trench conforming with the details shown in Appendix F. Backfill is assumed to be 120 pounds per cubic foot. This corresponds to normal soil receiving moderate compaction, or sand which has been flushed and jetted. If the backfill is expected to contain significant quantities of rock fragments, then a higher unit weight should be used and project specific calculations should be performed. Furthermore, project specific calculations should be performed when unusual (greater than AASHTO H-20) live loadings are expected or the loading does not represent a true negative projecting installation. This could occur in situations containing fill embankments.

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**REQUIRED PIPE CLASS FOR CIRCULAR REINFORCED CONCRETE PIPE
IN TRENCH INSTALLATION WITH #57 CRUSHED STONE PIPE CRADLE**

Height of Cover (feet)

	0.5	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
12	4	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
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P i p e I n n e r D i a m e t e r (in)

- Notes:
- (1) Based on H - 20 loading, 100% pavement transference, AASHTO impact factors, soil unit weight of 120 pcf with Marston Equation, maximum allowable MSD trench widths, and bedding factor = 2.4. Refer to installation details for trench width and installation specifications.
 - (2) For pipe sizes 12-inch through 24-inch diameter, non-reinforced concrete pipe meeting ASTM C14 Class III, can be used where reinforced concrete pipe Class III is allowed.