

# ROAD PAVEMENTS FORUM

2 – 3 July 2019

RECLAIMED MATERIALS COMMITTEE  
FEEDBACK

# Present reclaimed materials as a viable secondary material for use in road construction and rehabilitation

- To stimulate the industry towards secondary materials
- Provide case studies on projects making use of reclaimed materials
- Develop guidelines with respect to the use of reclaimed materials

## RecMat committee

Representatives from:

City of Cape Town

GreenCape

SANRAL

Martin and East

Stellenbosch University

The Concrete Institute

BVi Consulting Engineers

# RPF 9 May 2018

Two case studies presented by  
Kirsten Barnes of GreenCape

Present reclaimed materials as a viable secondary material for use in road construction and rehabilitation

- National Road N2 in Cape Town at Borcherd's Quarry
- Provincial Main Road P255 in Durban, between Hillcrest and Waterfall

# RPF 9 May 2018

RecMat committee feedback  
presented by Ian Bowker of City of  
Cape Town

Present reclaimed materials as a  
viable secondary material for use  
in road construction and  
rehabilitation

- Durability testing
- Call for trial sections

# RPF 2 and 3 July 2019

Feedback

Present reclaimed materials as a viable secondary material for use in road construction and rehabilitation

- Durability testing
- Guidelines
- Case study



# Durability testing

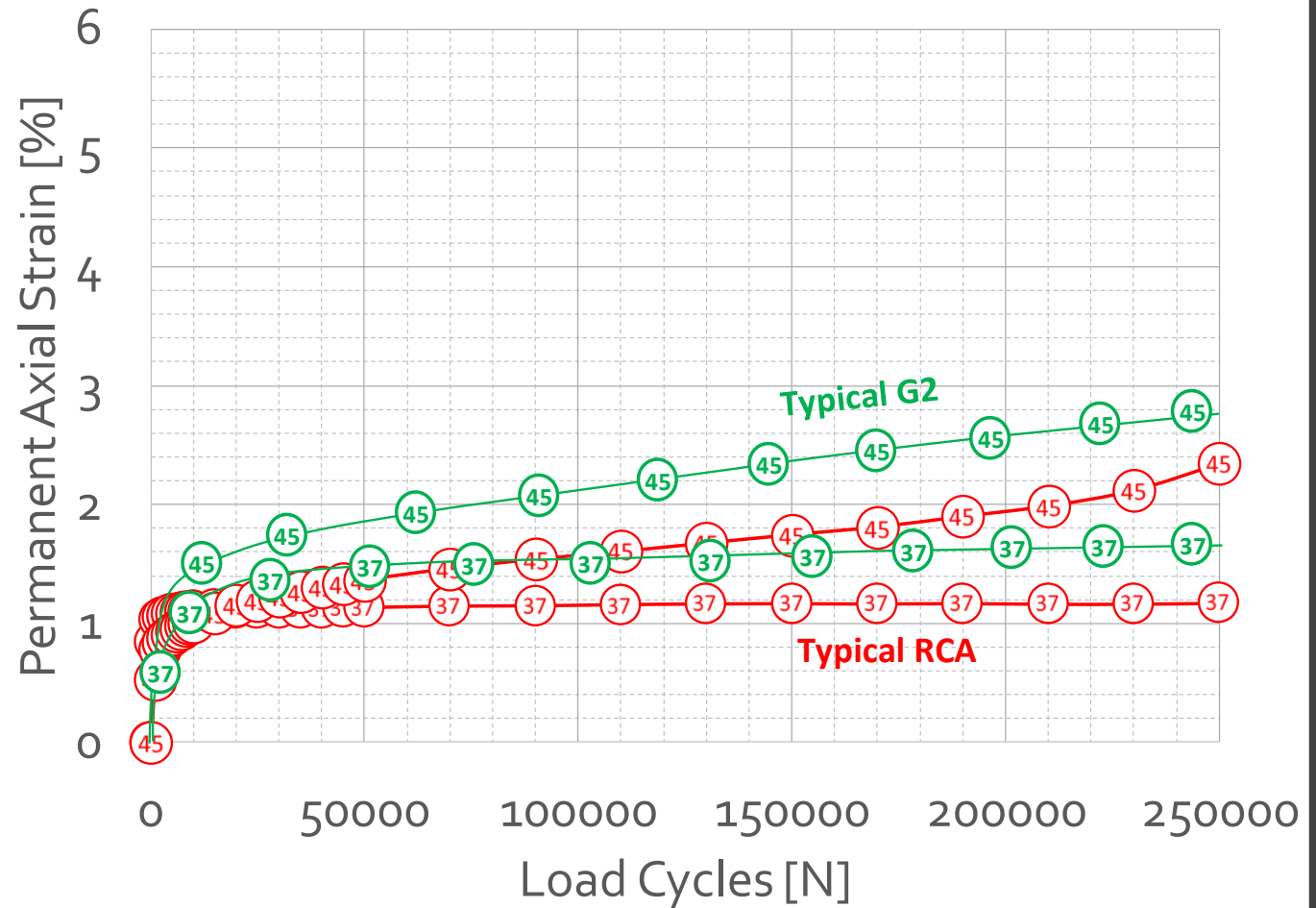
For comparison purposes and to determine if COTO specifications are met

Performed on mixes of RCA and masonry, and compared to G2

- G2 (DMI)
- 100% RCA
- 90% RCA
- 80% RCA
- 70% RCA

# Permanent deformation

Triaxial testing – repeated loading (RLT) and resilient Modulus ( $M_R$ )



# Durability

Ethylene glycol  
Durability mill index  
ACV  
10% Fact

- COTO specification
- Findings
- Discussion



# Durability

Ethylene glycol  
90% RCA



# Durability

Durability mill index

Source	RCA Content	Method	Passing 0.425mm						DMI
			Before	After	%loss	Before	After	%loss	
SU	G2 (PI=3)	Dry ball	21.7	23.9	9.2				74.4
		Water + ball	21.7	24.8	12.5				
		Water mill	21.7	22.9	5.2				
M&E + SU	RCA	Dry ball	18.0	29.2	38.4	6.0	9.0	33.3	30.6
		Water + ball	18.0	30.6	41.2	6.0	7.0	14.3	
		Water mill	18.0	23.1	22.1	6.0	7.0	14.3	
SU	70%RCM	Dry ball	18.5	24.5	24.5				24.5
		Water + ball	18.5	24.4	24.2				
		Water mill	18.5	20.3	8.9				
M&E + SU	30%RCA	Dry ball	17.6	25.6	31.3	7.0	10.0	30.0	26.4
		Water + ball	17.6	26.4	33.3	7.0	8.0	12.5	
		Water mill	17.6	21.5	18.1	7.0	9.0	22.2	
M&E + SU	20%RCA	Dry ball				5.0	7.0	28.6	7.0
		Water + ball				5.0	6.0	16.7	
		Water mill				5.0	6.0	16.7	
M&E + SU	10%RCA	Dry ball				7.0	10.0	30.0	10.0
		Water + ball				7.0	8.0	12.5	
		Water mill				7.0	8.0	12.5	
SU	100% RCM	Dry ball	18.3	26.0	29.6				26.8
		Water + ball	18.3	26.8	31.7				
		Water mill	18.3	21.6	15.3				

Source	RCA Content	CBR	ACV (kN)		10% FACT (kN)	
			Dry	Wet	Dry	Wet
SU	100%	198*				
M&E	100%	80	26.5	26.7	151	149
M&E	90%	45	24.1	24.7	166	162
M&E	80%	50	24.2	25.1	165	159
M&E	70%	53	25.1	26.2	159	153

\*sample consisted of a lab constituted grading and compaction at 100% Vibratory MOD (=103% MOD AASHTO)

# Durability

ACV  
10% Fact

# Stabilisation

ICC  
ITS

- COTO specification
- Findings
- Discussion

Source	RCA Content	% Cement	0	2	4	6	8	10	12
M&E	100% RCA	pH	8.1	10.19	10.88	11	11.04	11.07	11.2
SU 1		pH	12.83	12.83	12.83	12.83			
SU 2		pH	9.45	11.86	12.2	12.4			
M&E	90% RCA	pH	10.9	11.08	12.02	12.02	12.06	12.08	12.08
M&E	80% RCA	pH	10.03	11.06	12.01	12.04	12.04	12.06	12.06
M&E	70% RCA	pH	8.5	11	12.09	12.14	12.14	12.17	12.17

Source: Martin & East and Agnello (Stellenbosch University)

# Stabilisation

ICC

Source	RCA Content	Grading	% Cement	Initial pH	ITS (kPa)		
					24 Hours	7 Days	28 days
SU	100%	Continious	2	10.8	303.6	493.6	892.7
SU	100%	Gap	2	11.4	357.9	634.4	1211.08
M&E	90%	Continious	2	10.9	195	215	
M&E	80%	Continious	2	10.03	235	256	
M&E	70%	Continious	2	8.5	269	294	

Source: Martin & East and Beardmore (Stellenbosch University)

# Stabilisation

ITS

# Summary of results

Variability  
Higher absorption  
Lower specific gravity  
Potential for decreased abrasion resistance  
Mortar content influences the mechanical properties of the material

# Further testing

Stellenbosch University

- Further structural performance evaluation
- Shrinkage potential (influence of variables such as humidity)
- Water absorption on durability
- Managing variability in self-cementation
- Further durability mill testing on order to correlate to performance
- The main objective is to correlate durability aspects and how this effects performance





# Guidelines

Read in conjunction with COTO

Developed in order for authorities, consultants or contractors to propose the use of alternative materials for use in road building projects

- Reduced reliance on virgin materials
- Reduced CO<sub>2</sub> emissions
- Reduced energy costs
- Based on RCA and RMA

# Guidelines

Work in progress

Chapter 1 - Introduction

Chapter 2 – Applicable legislation and legal requirements

Chapter 3 – Selection and processing

**Chapter 4 – Material specification guidelines - roads**

Chapter 5 - Material specification guidelines - concrete

Chapter 6 – Guidelines for construction

Chapter 7 – Case studies

# Guidelines – Chapter 4 - Material specification guidelines - roads

## Material specifications

- Ensure durability
- Ensure applicability

## Contents

- Introduction
- Literature study
- Applications for RCA and RMA in South Africa
- Constituent requirements for RCA and RMA
- Utilising RCA and RMA in South Africa
- Additional durability tests

# Guidelines – Chapter 4 - Material specification guidelines - roads

## Introduction

- Provide a suitable platform for construction of overlying layers
- Contribute to the structural capacity of the pavement to ensure acceptable in-service life

## Literature study

- Design guidelines based on research from *Delft University of Technology* and USA DOTs.
- Constituents of reclaimed concrete and mix granulates
- Properties of RCA and RMA
- Research on mix granulates

# Guidelines – Chapter 4 - Material specification guidelines - roads

## Applications of RCA and RMA in South Africa

- Unbound layers
- Cement stabilised sub-base layer
- Selected layer

### Unbound

Application limited to subbase (and below) layers

Constituent requirements specified in guideline

COTO specifications for a given AG material

Additional durability testing requirements

### Bound

Application limited to sub-base layers

Constituent requirements specified in guideline

COTO specifications for a given C class material

Additional durability testing requirements

# Guidelines – Chapter 4 - Material specification guidelines - roads

## Constituent requirements

- RCA
- RCA and RMA

**Table 4-1: Reclaimed concrete granulates constituent limits (CROW, 1995).**

Reclaimed Concrete Granulates			
Constituents		Description	Limit (% mass/mass)
Main	A	Crushed gravel concrete and crushed-stone concrete, with a particle density of at least 2100 kg/m <sup>3</sup>	A + B ≥ 80 B ≤ 10
	B	Other crushed stone material and stony material, with a particle density of at least 2100 kg/m <sup>3</sup>	
Secondary	C	Crushed masonry with a particle density of at least 1600 kg/m <sup>3</sup> and other crushed stony material (light weight concrete, glass, slag, etc.)	C + D ≤ 10 D ≤ 5
	D	Crushed asphalt	
Impurities	E	Gypsum and non-stony material ((non)-ferro metal, plastics, rubbers, polystyrene, etc.)	E ≤ 1
	F	Decomposed organic material (wood, rope, paper, plants, remains, etc.)	F ≤ 0.1

# Guidelines – Chapter 4 - Material specification guidelines - roads

## Constituent requirements

- RCA
- RCA and RMA

**Table 4-2: Mix granulates constituent limits (CROW, 1995).**

RCA and RMA – Reclaimed Concrete and Masonry Aggregate			
Constituents		Description	Limit (% mass/mass)
Main	A	Crushed gravel concrete or crushed-stone concrete, with a particle density of at least 2100 kg/m <sup>3</sup>	A+B ≥ 50 A ≥ 45
	B	Other crushed stone and stony material, with a particle density of at least 2100 kg/m <sup>3</sup>	
	C	Crushed masonry, other crushed stone and stony material, with a particle density of at least 1600 kg/m <sup>3</sup>	C ≤ 50
Secondary	D	Other crushed stone and stony material (light weight concrete, glass, slag, etc.)	D + E ≤ 10 E ≤ 5
	E	Crushed asphalt	
Impurities	F	Gypsum and non-stony material ((non)-ferro metal, plastics, rubbers, polystyrene, etc.)	F ≤ 1
	G	Decomposed organic material (wood, rope, paper, plants, remains, etc.)	G ≤ 0.1

# Guidelines – Chapter 4 - Material specification guidelines - roads

Utilising reclaimed concrete and masonry aggregate in South  
Africa

- Guideline for use developed



# Guidelines – Chapter 4 - Material specification guidelines - roads

## Utilising reclaimed concrete and masonry aggregate in South Africa

- Correlation between G class materials and performance of RCA and RMA combinations sought

**Table 4-3: Limitations on the concrete and masonry content for a given G-Class material.**

Material Class	Concrete Content (%)	Masonry Content (%)
G4	100	0
G5(a)	80-100	0-20
G5(b)	65-100	0-35
G6	65-100	0-35
G7	65-100	0-35
G8	65-100	0-35
G9	50-100	0-50
G10	50-100	0-50

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## Utilising reclaimed concrete and masonry aggregate in South Africa

- Correlation between G class materials and performance of RCA and RMA combinations sought

**Table 4-4: Reclaimed concrete and masonry contents applicable to cement stabilised materials.**

Material Class	Concrete Content (%)	Masonry Content (%)	Material before treatment
C3 or higher	80-100	0-20	G5(a)
C4	80-100	0-20	G5(b) & G6

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## Utilising reclaimed concrete and masonry aggregate in South Africa

- Correlation between G class materials and performance of RCA and RMA combinations sought

Bound and unbound reclaimed materials, defined in the tables above, are applicable to the following:

Material Class	Suitability	Traffic Volume
G4	- Unbound base layer	Low
G5(a)	- Unbound base layer - Bound subbase layer (C3 or higher)	Low High
G5(b)	- Unbound base layer - Bound subbase layer (C4)	Low Low
G6	- Unbound base layer - Bound subbase layer (C4)	Low Low
G7	- Selected material	-
G8	- Selected material	-
G9	- Selected material	-
G10	- Fill material	-

## Re-use existing concrete road in sub-base

- Break up and stockpile unreinforced concrete pavement
- Cut and fill to correct alignment
- Rebuild foundation and fill
- Crush and screen concrete to G4 specification
- Blend with imported G5
- Construct new C4 sub-base
- Construct new G4 crushed stone base
- Cape seal

## Further case study

CONTRACT C1008.01: THE REHABILITATION OF DIVISIONAL ROAD 1688 FROM CALITZDORP (km 1.00) TO THE CALITZDORP SPA TURNOFF (km 15.64)



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Stimulating the industry towards the use of secondary materials

# Thank you

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