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ESZ "Type 200 Composite"

The subject named above is herewith granted a national technical approval (*allgemeine bauaufsichtliche Zulassung*) / general construction technique permit (*allgemeine Bauartgenehmigung*). This decision contains eight pages.

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I GENERAL PROVISIONS

- 1 This decision confirms the fitness for use and application of the subject concerned within the meaning of the Building Codes of the federal states (*Landesbauordnungen*).
- 2 This decision does not replace the permits, approvals and certificates required by law for carrying out building projects.
- 3 This decision is granted without prejudice to the rights of third parties, in particular private property rights.
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- 6 This decision may be revoked. The provisions contained therein may subsequently be supplemented and amended, in particular if this is required by new technical findings.
- 7 This decision is based on the information and documents provided by the applicant. Alterations to this basis are not covered by this decision and shall be notified to DIBt without delay.
- 8 The general construction technique permit included in this decision also serves as a national technical approval for the construction technique.

II SPECIAL PROVISIONS

1 Subject concerned and field of use and application

The subject of approval is the reinforced elastomer bearing "Type 200 Composite" used to transfer forces and to compensate deformations perpendicular to the bearing plane. The bearing consists of inner compact elastomer layers (thickness 10 mm) and outer compact elastomer layers (thickness 5 mm or 10 mm) both made of vulcanised chloroprene rubber (CR) and of 5 mm thick reinforcement layers made from steel S235 JR (material number 1.0038). Both materials are fully and permanently bonded. The thinnest bearing variant consists of two compact outer layers and a reinforcement layer, which is arranged symmetrically in between. The length and width of the steel sheets exceed the length and width of the elastomer layers by 20 mm. The bearings are rectangular and supplied in point form.

The subject of the permit is the planning, design and execution of the elastomer bearings used in buildings. The structural members adjacent to the bearing shall be made of steel, concrete or wood. Use of films above or beneath the bearing shall not be permitted. The elastomer bearings may be used at temperatures between -25 °C and 50 °C. The bearings may be exposed to temperatures up to +70 °C for short-term recurring periods of less than 8 hours.

Although elastomer bearings enable shear strain, they shall not be used for the planned transfer of constant external shear forces. The bearing may have drill holes.

2 Provisions for the bearings

2.1 Properties and composition

2.1.1 Dimensions

For the bearing dimensions, the following conditions shall be complied with:

bearing thickness:

$t = 15 \text{ mm}, 30 \text{ mm}, 35 \text{ mm}, 40 \text{ mm}, 45 \text{ mm}, 50 \text{ mm}, 55 \text{ mm}, 60 \text{ mm}$ and 65 mm

$a_{\max} = b_{\max} = 600 \text{ mm}$.

For rectangular bearings:

$a \geq 90 \text{ mm}, b \geq 90 \text{ mm}$

with the nominal dimensions:

t thickness of unloaded bearing

t_i thickness of the thickest elastomer layer

a short side of bearing

b long side of bearing.

Regarding the dimensional tolerances to be adhered to:

length class M4 in accordance with Table 1 of DIN ISO 3302-1:2016

width class M4 in accordance with Table 1 of DIN ISO 3302-1:2016

thickness class M3 in accordance with Table 1 of DIN ISO 3302-1:2016.

Up to four drilled holes per bearing shall be permitted. The total drill hole area shall not exceed 10 per cent of the total bearing area. The hole spacing shall be at least $2 \times D_{\text{hole}}$. The edge distance shall be at least 30 mm.

For the hole dimensions, the following conditions shall be complied with:

$$D_{\text{hole}} \leq 50 \text{ mm}$$

where:

D_{hole} diameter of each hole.

2.1.2 Materials

The physical characteristics and the chemical composition as well as the material properties of the bearings are deposited with DIBt.

The properties of the starting materials used shall be verified through inspection certificate type 3.1 in accordance with DIN EN 10204:2005-01.

2.2 Manufacture, transport and marking

2.2.1 Manufacture and transport

The elastomer layer shall be produced in the shape of panels using the vulcanisation technique and then cut to size.

Detailed information about the manufacturing process is deposited with DIBt.

Regarding the transport of the bearings the manufacturer's specifications shall be observed.

2.2.2 Marking

The manufacturer shall affix the national conformity mark (*Ü-Zeichen*) to the construction product in accordance with the Conformity Marking Ordinances (*Übereinstimmungszeichen-Verordnungen*) of the federal states. The mark shall only be applied if the requirements given in Section 2.3 are met. When applied accordingly, the marking shall be permanent with continuous labelling on rolls and panels produced in accordance with Section 2.2.1.

2.3 Confirmation of conformity

2.3.1 General

The confirmation of conformity of the bearings with the provisions of this national technical approval shall be issued for every manufacturing plant in the form of a certificate of conformity based on factory production control and regular external surveillance including initial type-testing of the bearings in accordance with the following provisions.

To issue the certificate of conformity and for external surveillance including the associated product testing to be carried out in the process, the manufacturer of the bearings shall use an appropriately recognised certification body and an appropriately recognised inspection body.

The declaration of conformity shall be submitted by the manufacturer through marking of the construction products with the national conformity mark (*Ü-Zeichen*) including statement of the intended use. Should this not be possible in exceptional cases, the instruction sheet of the bearing shall be marked with the national conformity mark in accordance with the Conformity Marking Ordinances of the federal states.

The certification body shall send a copy of the certificate of conformity issued by it to DIBt.

A copy of the initial type-testing evaluation report shall also be sent to DIBt.

2.3.2 Factory production control

A factory production control system shall be set up and implemented in each manufacturing plant. Factory production control is understood to be continuous surveillance of production by the manufacturer to ensure that the construction products manufactured satisfy the provisions of this national technical approval.

Factory production control shall be carried out in accordance with the test plan deposited with DIBt.

The results of factory production control shall be recorded and evaluated. The records shall at least include the following information:

- designation of the construction product or the starting material and the components,
- type of check or test,
- date of manufacture and testing of the construction product or the starting material or the components,
- result of the checks and tests as well as, if applicable, comparison with requirements,
- signature of the person responsible for factory production control.

The records shall be kept for at least five years. They shall be submitted to DIBt and the competent supreme building authority upon request.

If the test result is unsatisfactory, the manufacturer shall immediately take the necessary measures to resolve the defect. Construction products which do not meet the requirements shall be handled in such a way that they cannot be confused with compliant products. After the defect has been remedied, the relevant test shall be repeated immediately - where technically feasible and necessary to show that the defect has been eliminated.

2.3.3 External surveillance

The factory production control system shall be inspected regularly, i.e. at least twice a year, by means of external surveillance at each bearing manufacturing plant. The results of the checks carried out by the manufacturer in accordance with Section 2.3.2 shall be statistically evaluated.

Initial type-testing of the bearing shall be carried out within the scope of external surveillance. Samples for random testing shall also be taken. Sampling and testing shall be the responsibility of the recognised inspection body.

The scope and frequency of external surveillance shall be taken from the test plan deposited with DIBt.

The results of certification and external surveillance shall be kept for at least five years. They shall be presented by the certification or inspection body to DIBt and the competent supreme building authority upon request.

3 Provisions for planning, design and execution

3.1 Planning

The Technical Building Rules (*Technische Baubestimmungen*) shall apply to the planning unless otherwise specified below. The bearings shall be installed in single layers. The dimensions of the bearings shall be taken from the designer's specifications and the installation plans.

Structural analysis shall be carried out in each individual case to verify the structural safety of the bearings in the ultimate limit state for all relevant design situations and load cases.

The verification concept set out in DIN EN 1990:2010-12 in conjunction with the National Annex shall apply. The bearings may only be used for static or quasi-static loads imposed on the structural members.

The type, dimensions and arrangement of the bearings shall result from the structural requirements as well as the resistance values of the adjacent structural members. Based on the bearing selection, an installation plan which shows the exact position of the bearings in the structural layout shall be drawn up if the installation situation so requires.

Installation shall be carried out in accordance with the manufacturer's specifications.

3.2 Design

The Technical Building Rules shall apply to the design unless otherwise specified below.

The possible load case combinations shall be taken from DIN EN 1990:2010-12.

The design values of the effects of the actions (loads) E_d shall be determined from the characteristic values of the actions in consideration of the partial safety factors γ_f and the combination coefficients ψ in accordance with the Technical Building Rules.

In the ultimate limit state, the following verification shall be provided:

$$\frac{E_{\perp d}}{R_{\perp d}} \leq 1$$

where:

$E_{\perp d}$ load acting on bearing perpendicular to the bearing plane [N/mm²]

$R_{\perp d}$ design value of associated bearing resistance [N/mm²] perpendicular to bearing plane depending on shape factor S for a compressive strain of $\epsilon = 40\%$ in accordance with Table 1

S shape factor for rectangular bearings:

$$S = \frac{a \cdot b}{2t_i (a + b)}$$

S_{hole} shape factor for rectangular bearings with holes:

$$S = \frac{a \cdot b - 2\pi (r_1 + r_2)}{2t_i (a + b) + 2t_i \pi (r_1 + r_2)}$$

where a, b, t_i in accordance with Section 2.1.1

r_n = radius of hole n .

Table 1: Bearing resistance for loads perpendicular to bearing plane in case of point bearings

Shape factor range S (S, S _{hole} or S _{mod})	Function for determining the design value of resistance [N/mm ²]
0.88 - 3.75	$R_{\perp d} = 17.17 \cdot S - 11.32$
3.75 - 4.00	$R_{\perp d} = 35.94 \cdot S - 81.67$
4.00 - 4.50	$R_{\perp d} = 1.17 \cdot S + 57.39$
≥ 4.50	$R_{\perp d} = 62.6$

The structural members adjacent to the bearing shall be designed such that the interaction with the structural behaviour of the bearing is taken into account. It shall be observed that loading of an elastomer bearing leads to a load concentration. Rotation of the elastomer bearings leads to eccentricities in the load concentration and hence to a restoring moment.

The compressive strain of the bearing shall be taken into account as a product-specific value in the determination of the actions on the overall structure. If the contact surfaces of the adjacent structural members deviate from planar parallelism, e.g. as a result of manufacturing and installation tolerances, these deviations shall be taken into account in the design of the bearing. If more detailed verification is not provided, the angle of rotation of the adjacent structural members shall be determined through adding of the following factors:

- obliqueness with 10‰
- unevenness with 625/a ‰.

If the adjacent structural members are made of steel or in-situ concrete, the unevenness may be halved.

For rotations on both perpendicular sides of the bearing, amounts for angular displacement shall be proportionally added to the respective design values.

The positional stability shall be verified.

For point bearings, the maximum twist for rotation about the central axis parallel to side b shall be determined as follows:

$$\alpha_{b,\max} = \frac{300 \cdot t}{a} \leq 40\text{‰}$$

where:

$\alpha_{b,\max}$ maximum angle of twist for a rotation about the central axis parallel to side b.

The formula shall be used analogously for determination of the maximum angle of twist about the central axis parallel to side a. Verification that edge contact with the adjacent structural members is avoided at simultaneous occurrence of the maximum compression and the maximum twist shall be provided during the structural design.

For biaxial torsional stress, the following boundary condition shall be adhered to:

$$\alpha_{\text{resultant}} = \sqrt{\alpha_{a,\max}^2 + \alpha_{b,\max}^2} = 40\text{‰}.$$

The transverse tensile force arising in the adjacent structural members as a result of the strain constraint of the reinforced elastomer bearing shall be verified and transmitted through corresponding measures.

The transverse tensile force acting on the adjacent structural members due to the central load acting on the bearing shall be determined as follows:

for rectangular bearings:

$$Z_a = 1.5 \cdot E_{\perp d} \cdot a \cdot t_a$$

$$Z_b = 1.5 \cdot E_{\perp d} \cdot b \cdot t_a$$

where:

t_a thickness of the outer elastomer layer

the outer elastomer layer shall always be taken as $t_a = 10$ mm

Z_a transverse tensile force perpendicular to the short side of the bearing a [N]

Z_b transverse tensile force perpendicular to the long side of the bearing b [N].

The bulging of the bearing depends on its size and shape. During the structural design (edge distances etc.) the bulging of the bearing shall be taken into account and requested from the manufacturer in advance.

The lateral surfaces of the bearing may not be hindered in their planned deformation.

3.3 Execution

The bearings shall be stored in a dry condition. The bearings shall be protected from direct sunlight. The substrate shall be smooth and level. The support surfaces shall be carefully deburred for protecting the bearing. Voids in the adjacent concrete surfaces shall be avoided. If necessary, height compensation may be carried out by means of a suitable mortar bed. The adjacent structural members shall be compatible with the bearing material. It shall be ensured that the bearing and the adjacent structural members are kept free of damaging chemical and physical effects as well as contaminants. The surfaces of the adjacent structural members shall be swept clean and free of snow, ice, grease and bond breakers. Stagnant water shall be avoided. The manufacturer's specifications regarding installation shall be observed.

4 Provisions for use, maintenance and repair

The bearings shall be installed such that they are maintenance-free.

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