

## 1631.6 Time-history Analysis.

**1631.6.1 Time history.** Time-history analysis shall be performed with pairs of appropriate horizontal ground-motion time-history components that shall be selected and scaled from not less than three recorded events. Appropriate time histories shall have magnitudes, fault distances and source mechanisms that are consistent with those that control the design-basis earthquake (or maximum capable earthquake). Where three appropriate recorded ground-motion time-history pairs are not available, appropriate simulated ground-motion time-history pairs may be used to make up the total number required. For each pair of horizontal ground-motion components, the square root of the sum of the squares (SRSS) of the 5 percent-damped site-specific spectrum of the scaled horizontal components shall be constructed. The motions shall be scaled such that the average value of the SRSS spectra does not fall below 1.4 times the 5 percent-damped spectrum of the design-basis earthquake for periods from  $0.2T$  second to  $1.5T$  seconds. Each pair of time histories shall be applied simultaneously to the model considering torsional effects.

The parameter of interest shall be calculated for each time-history analysis. If three time-history analyses are performed, then the maximum response of the parameter of interest shall be used for design. If seven or more time-history analyses are performed, then the average value of the response parameter of interest may be used for design.

**1631.6.2 Elastic time-history analysis.** Elastic time history shall conform to Sections 1631.1, 1631.2, 1631.3, 1631.5.2, 1631.5.4, 1631.5.5, 1631.5.6, 1631.5.7 and 1631.6.1. Response parameters from elastic time-history analysis shall be denoted as Elastic Response Parameters. All elements shall be designed using Strength Design. Elastic Response Parameters may be scaled in accordance with Section 1631.5.4.

## 1631.6.3 Nonlinear time-history analysis.

**1631.6.3.1 Nonlinear time history.** Nonlinear time-history analysis shall meet the requirements of Section 1629.10, and time histories shall be developed and results determined in accordance with the requirements of Section 1631.6.1. Capacities and characteristics of nonlinear elements shall be modeled consistent with test data or substantiated analysis, considering the Importance Factor. The maximum inelastic response displacement shall not be reduced and shall comply with Section 1630.10.

**1631.6.3.2 Design review.** When nonlinear time-history analysis is used to justify a structural design, a design review of the lateral-force-resisting system shall be performed by an independent engineering team, including persons licensed in the appropriate disciplines and experienced in seismic analysis methods. The lateral-force-resisting system design review shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

1. Reviewing the development of site-specific spectra and ground-motion time histories.
2. Reviewing the preliminary design of the lateral-force-resisting system.
3. Reviewing the final design of the lateral-force-resisting system and all supporting analyses.

The engineer of record shall submit with the plans and calculations a statement by all members of the engineering team doing the review stating that the above review has been performed.

## SECTION 1632 LATERAL FORCE ON ELEMENTS OF STRUCTURES, NONSTRUCTURAL COMPONENTS AND EQUIPMENT SUPPORTED BY STRUCTURES

**1632.1 General.** Elements of structures and their attachments, permanent nonstructural components and their attachments, and the attachments for permanent equipment supported by a structure shall be designed to resist the total design seismic forces prescribed in Section 1632.2. Attachments or floor- or roof-mounted equipment weighing less than 400 pounds (181 kg), and furniture need not be designed.

Attachments shall include anchorages and required bracing. Friction resulting from gravity loads shall not be considered to provide resistance to seismic forces.

When the structural failure of the lateral-force-resisting systems of nonrigid equipment would cause a life hazard, such systems shall be designed to resist the seismic forces prescribed in Section 1632.2.

When permissible design strengths and other acceptance criteria are not contained in or referenced by this code, such criteria shall be obtained from approved national standards subject to the approval of the building official.

**1632.2 Design for Total Lateral Force.** The total design lateral seismic force,  $F_p$ , shall be determined from the following formula:

$$F_p = 4.0 C_a I_p W_p \quad (32-1)$$

Alternatively,  $F_p$  may be calculated using the following formula:

$$F_p = \frac{a_p C_a I_p}{R_p} \left( 1 + 3 \frac{h_x}{h_r} \right) W_p \quad (32-2)$$

Except that:

$$F_p \text{ shall not be less than } 0.7 C_a I_p W_p \text{ and} \\ \text{need not be more than } 4 C_a I_p W_p \quad (32-3)$$

### WHERE:

$h_x$  is the element or component attachment elevation with respect to grade.  $h_x$  shall not be taken less than 0.0.

$h_r$  is the structure roof elevation with respect to grade.

$a_p$  is the in-structure Component Amplification Factor that varies from 1.0 to 2.5.

A value for  $a_p$  shall be selected from Table 16-O. Alternatively, this factor may be determined based on the dynamic properties or empirical data of the component and the structure that supports it. The value shall not be taken less than 1.0.

$R_p$  is the Component Response Modification Factor that shall be taken from Table 16-O, except that  $R_p$  for anchorages shall equal 1.5 for shallow expansion anchor bolts, shallow chemical anchors or shallow cast-in-place anchors. Shallow anchors are those with an embedment length-to-diameter ratio of less than 8. When anchorage is constructed of nonductile materials, or by use of adhesive,  $R_p$  shall equal 1.0.

The design lateral forces determined using Formula (32-1) or (32-2) shall be distributed in proportion to the mass distribution of the element or component.

Forces determined using Formula (32-1) or (32-2) shall be used to design members and connections that transfer these forces to the seismic-resisting systems. Members and connection design shall use the load combinations and factors specified in Section 1612.2 or 1612.3. The Reliability/Redundancy Factor,  $\rho$ , may be taken equal to 1.0.

For applicable forces and Component Response Modification Factors in connectors for exterior panels and diaphragms, refer to Sections 1633.2.4, 1633.2.8 and 1633.2.9.