

CONCRETE REMOVAL NOTES

WHERE REINFORCEMENT IS REQUIRED TO EXTEND THROUGH THE NEW JOINT, CONCRETE SHALL BE REMOVED IN THE FOLLOWING SEQUENCE.

1. A SAWCUT SHALL BE MADE ONE AND ONE-HALF INCHES DEEP AT THE REMOVAL LIMITS. CARE SHALL BE EXERCISED IN SAWING AT THE REMOVAL LIMITS SO AS NOT TO CUT THE REINFORCING STEEL IN THE REMAINING SLAB. THE EXISTING REINFORCING STEEL SHALL BE RETAINED AND EXTENDED INTO THE NEW CONSTRUCTION AS INDICATED ON THE PLANS.
2. USING HANDHELD EQUIPMENT, THE CONCRETE SHALL BE CAREFULLY REMOVED FOR THE FULL DEPTH OF THE WALL OR SLAB AND FOR A MINIMUM DISTANCE FROM THE SAWCUT EQUAL TO THE LONGEST EXTENSION OF THE EXISTING BARS TO BE EXTENDED INTO THE NEW CONSTRUCTION. THIS EXTENSION SHALL BE 30 BAR DIAMETERS, UNLESS OTHERWISE SHOWN.
3. EXISTING REINFORCEMENT SHALL BE CUT TO THE REQUIRED BAR EXTENSION.
4. THE REMAINING CONCRETE MAY BE REMOVED BY ANY SUITABLE METHOD UPON APPROVAL OF THE ENGINEER, WHO SHALL BE THE SOLE JUDGE OF THE USE OF ANY CONCRETE REMOVAL EQUIPMENT. EXPLOSIVES, WRECKING BALL, OR OTHER SIMILAR DEVICES, WHICH ARE LIKELY TO DAMAGE THE CONCRETE TO BE LEFT IN PLACE, SHALL NOT BE USED.