GENERAL

The materials used in construction shall, besides conforming to the specifications and standards mentioned, be the best of the existing kinds obtainable. Where a particular 'Brand' or 'Make' of material is specified such 'Brand' or 'Make' of material alone shall be used.

A high standard of workmanship and accuracy shall be achieved in all sections and parts of the work. The workmanship shall be in accordance with the latest and the best civil engineering practice.

The Contractor shall ensure that all sections of the work are carried out with utmost care to achieve the dimensions shown in drawings or specifications. Where special and close tolerances are required in any particular section of work, these will be shown in the drawing and such tolerances shall be met. In the absence of such specific mention in drawings the following dimensional deviations may be tolerated, provided they do not impair the appearance or render the particular section of work unacceptable to the purpose for which it is intended. Tolerance for materials and workmanship not covered in this part as mentioned hereinafter will be in accordance with the relevant IS code.

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### Description | Permissible tolerance
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100 mm | Plus or minus 3.5mm
150 mm | Plus or minus 4mm

**Stoneware pipes, in length**
- upto 75 cm | Plus or minus 10mm
- Upto 90 cm | Plus or minus 15mm

In thickness of barrel and socket not exceeding 450mm | Plus or minus 2mm

In thickness of barrel and socket between 500 to 600mm | Plus or minus 3mm

**Glazed tiles, length of all 4 sides** | Plus or minus 0.8mm

**Individual dimensions and thickness** | Plus or minus 0.5 mm

**Metal doors, windows and ventilators - In overall dimension** | Plus or minus 1.5 mm

**Wooden doors, windows, ventilators - Overall dimension of door, window, ventilators** | Plus or minus 3 mm

**All components of shutter except glazing bar**
- **Width** | Plus or minus 3 mm
- **Thickness** | Plus or minus 1 mm

**Glazing bar, width & thickness** | Plus or minus 1 mm

### Mild steel tubes, tubulars and other wrought steel fittings

**a)** Thickness
- i) butt welded light tubes | Plus not limited minus 8%
- medium and heavy tubes | plus not limited minus 10%
- ii) seamless tubes | plus not limited minus 12.5%

**b)** Weight
- i) single tube (irrespective of the quantity) | + 10% , - 8%
- ii) for quantity of less than 150m of one size | + 10% , - 8%
- iii) for quantity of 150m and over of one size | + 4% , - 4%

**Earth work**
Finished level of site levelling in hard rock : Plus or minus 50mm

Finished level of site levelling except for hard rock : Plus or minus 100 mm

Level of pits, trenches foundations : Plus or minus 50mm

**Concrete & Reinforced concrete**

Footings, plan dimension : Plus 50 mm Minus 12 mm

Eccentricity : 0.02 times the dimension of footing in the direction limited to 50 mm

Thickness : Plus or minus 0.05 times the specified thickness

Foundations

Deviation of planes and lines of their intersection from vertical or inclination along full height : Plus or minus 20 mm

Deviation of horizontal plane from horizontal line for 1 m of the plane in any direction : Plus or minus 5mm

for the whole plane : Plus or minus 20mm

Sizes of cross section : Plus or minus 8mm

Surfaces of inserts to support loads : Plus or minus 5mm

Length of elements : Plus or minus 20 mm

**Equipment foundations :**

Top level of bolt : Plus 20mm

Top level of foundation before grouting : Minus 20mm

Axes of anchor bolts in plan : Plus or minus 5mm

Axis of foundation in either direction : Plus or minus 10mm

Deviation in vertical line along height : Plus or minus 10mm

Sizes of pits in plan : Plus or minus 20 mm

Sizes of steps in plan : minus 20mm

Levels of steps, benches and pits : minus 20mm
Axes of inserts in plan : Plus or minus 10 mm
Basic dimensions in plan : Plus or minus 10 mm
Deviation of horizontal plan from horizontal line
for 1 m of plane in any direction : Plus or minus 5 mm
for the whole plane : Plus or minus 20 mm
Local deviations of top surface when checked with a 2 m long straight edge : Plus or minus 8 mm

**Buildings :**

Surfaces when checked with a 2 m long straight edge : Plus or minus 8 mm
Sizes of cross section : Plus 8 mm Minus 0 mm
Length of elements : Plus or minus 20 mm
Deviation from horizontal plane, for whole building : Plus or minus 10 mm
Plumb in verticality : 1 in 1000 of height
for columns supporting floor beams : Plus or minus 10 mm
for framed columns linked with crane girders and beams : Plus or minus 10 mm
Reinforced concrete walls : Length : Plus or minus 20 mm
Flatness of surface when checked with a 2 m long straight edge : Plus or minus 8 mm
Level of top surface to support assembled elements : Plus or minus 5 mm
Deviation in planes and lines of intersection from vertical : Plus or minus 15 mm
Size of cross section : Plus or minus 8 mm

**Placing of reinforcement :**

Length of bar upto 75 cm long (Other than straight bars) : Plus 3 mm Minus 5 mm
75 - 150 cm long : Plus 5 mm Minus 10 mm
150 - 250 cm long : Plus 6 mm Minus 15 mm
250 cm long and above : Plus 7 mm Minus 25 mm
Straight bars, all lengths : Plus or minus 25 mm
Spacing of bars : Plus or minus 5 mm

**Anchor bolts:**

Shift in location in plan : Plus or minus 5 mm
Same, when bolts are located outside of structural columns : Plus or minus 10mm
Top level : Plus 20 mm
Threaded length : Plus 30 mm

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Insitu concrete floor : 4 mm

Concrete tile and mosaic, in any 3 m length : 3 mm

in large open area : 15 mm

wall tiling - surface should not vary from general plane by more than 1 in 200. Marble and such superior work, in any 2 m length : 1.5 mm

in any row : 3 mm

Plastered surfaces, flatness when checked with a 2 m long straight edge : 3 mm

Vertical surfaces, upto 1 storey : 5 mm

Over full heights : 10 mm

Metallic Inserts on assembled components length and width : Plus or minus 3 mm

Road work

The levels of the sub-grade and different pavement courses should not vary from those calculated with reference to the longitudinal and cross-sections of the road as shown on the drawing beyond the tolerance given below :-

Sub-grade : plus or minus 25mm
Sub-base : plus or minus 20mm
Base : plus or minus 15mm
Wearing course : plus or minus 6mm