



ASCE | KNOWLEDGE Unit 2: Learning Outcomes

- Upon completion of this unit, you will be able to :
 - Summarize the scope and limitations of ASCE 7-22 tornado load requirements
 - Identify tornado load symbols and notations
 - **Explain** the process for development of the tornado hazard maps
 - Determine tornado speed for any geographic location, building/facility size, shape, and Risk Category
 - Determine if design for tornado loads is required or not
- This is important on the job because ...
 - Provides the big picture of when tornado loads are required or not, and how to determine tornado speeds

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ASCE | KNOWLEDGE & LEARNING Chapter 1: Nominal Loads Nominal Load Definition **1.2 DEFINITIONS AND SYMBOLS** . . . NOMINAL LOADS: The magnitudes of the loads specified in this standard for dead, live, soil, wind, tornado, snow, rain, flood, and earthquake loads. Tornadoes also added in several locations having lists/examples of multiple load types, e.g., 1.5.3 Toxic, Highly Toxic, and Explosive Substances . . . As a minimum, the hazard assessment shall include the preparation and reporting of worst-case release scenarios for each structure under consideration, showing the potential effect on the public for each. As a minimum, the worst-case event shall include the complete failure, for example, instantaneous release of the entire contents of a vessel, piping system, or other storage structure. A worst-case event includes, but is not limited to, a release during the design wind, design tornado, or design seismic event...





Chapter 1: Risk Category ASCE | KNOWLEDGE Table 1.5-1 Risk Category of Buildings and Other Structures for Flood, Wind, Tornado, Snow, Earthquake, and Ice Loads Use or Occupancy of Buildings and Risk **1.5 CLASSIFICATION OF BUILDINGS AND** Structures Category **OTHER STRUCTURES** Buildings and other structures that represent low Т risk to human life in the event of failure 1.5.1 Risk Categorization Buildings and All buildings and other structures except those Ш other structures shall be classified based on listed in Risk Categories I, III, and IV the risk to human life, health, and welfare Buildings and other structures, the failure of which ш associated with their damage or failure by could pose a substantial risk to human life nature of their occupancy or use, according to Table 1.5-1, for the purposes of applying flood, Buildings and other structures designated as IV essential facilities wind, tornado, snow, earthquake, and ice Buildings and other structures, the failure of which provisions. Each building or other structure could pose a substantial hazard to the community shall be assigned to the highest applicable Buildings and other structures required to risk category or categories. maintain the functionality of other Risk Category IV structures



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 The target reliabilities/annual probabilities of failure for tornado loads are the same as those used for wind loads Applicable to Main Wind Force Resisting Systems 										
Target Reliability (Annual Probability of Failu	re, PF) and Associated Reliability	/ Indices (β) for Load Conditions	Fhat Do Not Include Earthquake, T	sunami, or Extraordinary Events.						
Basis	Risk Category			IV						
Failure that is not sudden and does not lead to widespread progression of damage	$P_F = 1.25 \times 10^{-4} \text{ per year}$ $\beta = 2.5$	$P_F = 3.0 \times 10^{-5} per year$ $\beta = 3.0$	$P_{\rm F} = 1.25 \times 10^{-5} {\rm per year}$ $\beta = 3.25$	$P_{\rm F} = 5.0 \times 10^{-6} \text{per year}$ $\beta = 3.5$						
Failure that is either sudden or leads to widespread progression of damage	$P_F = 3.0 \times 10^{-5}$ per year $\beta = 3.0$	$P_F = 5.0 \times 10^{-6}$ per year $\beta = 3.5$	$P_{\rm F} = 2.0 \times 10^{-6} \text{per year}$ $\beta = 3.75$	$P_{\rm F} = 7.0 \times 10^{-7} \text{per year}$ $\beta = 4.0$						
Failure that is sudden and results in widespread progression of damage	$P_{\rm F} = 5.0 \times 10^{-6} \text{per year}$ $\beta = 3.5$	$P_{\rm F} = 7.0 \times 10^{-7} \text{per year}$ $\beta = 4.0$	$P_{\rm F} = 2.5 \times 10^{-7} {\rm per year}$ $\beta = 4.25$	$P_{\rm F} = 1.0 \times 10^{-7} \text{per year}$ $\beta = 4.5$						
Notes: ¹ The target reliability indexes are provided for a indexes for 50 years, because the load combinati ² Commentary to Section 2.5 includes references	50-year reference period, and the p on requirements in Section 2.3.2 ar to publications that describe the hi	robabilities of failure have been ann e based on the maximum loads for i istoric development of these target r	ualized. The equations presented in S he 50-year reference period. eliabilities for earthquake, tsunami, o	ection 2.3.6 are based on reliability r extraordinary events.						













Ch. 32 – Tornado Loads

Scope

- Risk Category III and IV buildings and other structures
- Located in the tornado-prone region
- For design of
 - Main Wind Force Resisting System (MWFRS), and
 - Components and Cladding (C&C)
- Must resist the greater of tornado loads or wind loads, using load combinations in Chapter 2

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32.1.1 Scope Buildings and other structures classified as Risk Category III or IV and located in the tornado-prone region as shown in Figure 32.1-1, including the main wind force resisting system (MWFRS) and all components and cladding (C&C) thereof, shall be designed and constructed to resist the greater of the tornado loads determined in accordance with the provisions of this chapter or the wind loads determined in accordance with Chapters 26 through 31, using the load combinations provided in Chapter 2.



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User Note

- Highlights key features/explanations of tornado load provisions
- Flags critical limitations related to the connection between this Chapter and tornado shelter design
- Points to sections of the commentary for more information on specific topics

User Note: The tornado loads specified in this chapter provide reasonable consistency with the reliability delivered by the existing criteria in Chapters 26 and 27 for MWFRS, and therefore are only required for Risk Category III and IV buildings and other structures (see Return Period discussion in Section C32.5.1 for more information). The tornado loads are based on tornado speeds using 1,700- and 3,000-year return periods for Risk Category III and IV, respectively (which are the same return periods used for basic wind speeds in Chapter 26). The tornado speed at any given geographic location will range from approximately Enhanced Fujita Scale EF0 - EF2 intensity, depending on the risk category and effective plan area of the building or other structure (see Section C32.5.1). Options for protection of life and property from more intense tornadoes include construction of a storm shelter and/or design for longer-return-period tornado speeds as provided in Appendix G, including performance-based design. A building or other structure designed for tornado loads determined exclusively in accordance with Chapter 32 cannot be designated as a storm shelter without meeting additional critical requirements provided in the applicable building code and ICC 500, the ICC/NSSA Standard for the Design and Construction of Storm Shelters. See Commentary Section C32.1.1 for an in-depth discussion on storm shelters.

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User Note – Explanation

- Lets users know up front that the tornado load provisions are consistent with key elements of the wind load provisions – not designing for the worst possible windstorms
- Reliability (annual probability of failure) of the MWFRS under tornado loads is approximately the same as for wind loads, computed using Chapter 26 and 27 (Directional Procedure)
- Tornado speeds are based on the same return periods (mean recurrence intervals) as wind speeds

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Reliability/Return Periods ASCE | KNOWLEDGE & LEARNING Key Finding: Using 1,700- and 3,000-year ASCE 7 Ad-hoc Tornado MRI Tornado Maps for Risk Category III and IV, respectively, the tornadic wind load criteria Reliability Working Group provide reasonable consistency with the reliability delivered by the existing criteria in Collaboration between NIST, ARA, ASCE 7 Chapters 26 and 27 for main wind force-Load Combinations Subcommittee and resisting structures. Wind Load Subcommittee No significant tornado risk at 700-year MRI · Adapted reliability analysis used for ASCE 7-16 wind map return period analysis for Risk Ch. 26 Ch. 32 use with tornado load provisions Wind Return Category Tornado **Return Period** Period Conducted a series of risk informed (years) (years) analyses to compare the proposed I 300 n/a tornadic wind load criteria with the reliability delivered by the existing (ASCE Ш 700 n/a 7-16) wind load provisions Ш 1,700 1,700 IV 3,000 3,000

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User Note – Tornado Speeds

- NOT designing for the most intense tornadoes
- EF0-EF2 tornadoes constituted about 97% of all reported tornadoes from 1995-2016
- Tornado speed varies as a function of
 - Risk Category
 - Geographic location
 - Effective plan (footprint) area

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User Note – Tornado Shelter Limitation

- The design of tornado and other storm shelters are governed by the building code and the ICC 500 Storm Shelter Standard
- ICC 500-2020 references ASCE 7-16 wind provisions, with modifications, to determine tornado (and other) loads

Note the following time warp problem (not mentioned in the 7-22 Commentary)

- 2021 IBC references ASCE 7-16
- 2021 IBC references ICC 500-2020, which references ASCE 7-16
- 2018 IBC references ASCE 7-16
- 2018 IBC references ICC 500-2014, which references ASCE 7-10

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Ch. 32 Organization Part 2	Chapter 26 Wind Loads Section numbers and titles	Chapter 32 Tornado Loads Section numbers and titles					
Parallel organization for	26.1 Procedures	32.1 Procedures					
Chapters 26 and 32	26.2 Definitions	32.2 Definitions					
Same provisions for wind and tornado	26.3 Symbols	32.3 Symbols and Notation					
	26.4 General	32.4 General					
	26.5 Wind Hazard Map	32.5 Tornado Hazard Maps					
No parallel provisions	26.6 Wind Directionality Factor	32.6 Tornado Directionality Factor					
	26.7 Exposure	32.7 Tornado Exposure					
and 52.0 are placeholders for potential	26.8 Topographic Effects	32.8 Tornado Topographic Factor					
future tornado provisions	26.9 Ground Elevation Factor	32.9 Ground Elevation Factor					
Include brief commentary on	26.10 Velocity Pressure	32.10 Tornado Velocity Pressure					
state-of-knowledge	26.11 Gust Effects	32.11 Tornado Gust Effects					
	26.12 Enclosure Classification	32.12 Tornado Enclosure Classification					
	26.13 Internal Pressure Coefficients	32.13 Tornado Internal Pressure Coefficients					
	N/A	32.14 Tornado External Pressure Coefficients					

Ch. 32 Organization Part 3

Wind Load Chapters Section numbers and titles	Chapter 32 Tornado Loads Section numbers and titles
Ch. 27 Wind Loads on Buildings: MWFRS (Directional Procedure)	32.15 Tornado Loads on Buildings: MWFRS
Ch. 28 Wind Loads on Buildings: MWFRS (Envelope Procedure)	N/A
Ch. 29 Wind Loads on Building Appurtenances & Other Structures: MWFRS (Directional Procedure)	32.16 Tornado Loads on Building Appurtenances & Other Structures: MWFRS
Ch. 30 Wind Loads: C&C	32.17 Tornado Loads: C&C
Ch. 31 Wind Tunnel Procedure	32.18 Tornado Loads: Wind Tunnel Procedure
26.14 Consensus Standards and Other Referenced Documents	32.19 Consensus Standards and Other Referenced Documents
Appendix F: Wind Hazard Maps for Long Return Periods (new in ASCE 7-22)	Appendix G : Tornado Hazard Maps for Long Return Periods







Tornado loads use the same sign convention as wind loads, including for internal pressures induced by

APC

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Sign Convention

32.4 GENERAL

32.4.1 Sign Convention. The combined effects of internal pressures and atmospheric pressure change, expressed in coefficient form by GC_{piT} , shall follow the same sign convention as provided in Section 26.4, where positive pressure acts toward the surface and negative pressure acts away from the surface.

32.4.2 Critical Load Condition. Values of external pressures shall be combined algebraically with the combined effects of internal pressures and atmospheric pressure change to determine the most critical load.

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Effective Plan Area Example

Standard

The effective plan area A_e shall be equal to the area of the smallest convex polygon enclosing the plan of the building, other structure, or facility.

Commentary

 Alternatively, A_e can simply and conservatively be calculated as the area of the smallest rectangle that encloses the maximum plan area





























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- Mapped values for all hazards in ASCE 7-22
- App opens with a welcome message and any service alerts
- Close the "Welcome" box to get started

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Example for Risk		Effective Plan Area	ective In Area	Tornado a Speed	Tornado Speed	Tornado Speed	Tornado Speed	Tornado Speed							
ASCE 7 HAZARD	TOOL							(ft	•)	(mph)	(mph)	(mph)	(mph)	(mph)	
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the building, other structure, or facility cordance with Section 32.5.4 and sha silable mapped Ae. Alternatively linea	r, shall be determined in Il be rounded up to the next r interpolation of tornado speed	A., 25	= Vr 0,000 99	V ₁ = 142	V ₁ = 191	Vr = 234	Vr = 270	A _e 25	= 0,000	99	v _T = 142	v _T = 191	v _T = 234	v _T = 270	
tween maps using the logarithm of th rmitted, per Section 32.5.1.	e effective plan area size is	Gulf of A _e Mexico 1,0	= Vr 100,000 111	V ₁ = 153	V _T = 200	Vr = 241	Vr = 277	A _e 1,0	= 00,000	V _T = 111	V _T = 153	V _T = 200	V _T = 241	V _T = 277	
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- Tornado Provisions in ASCE 7-22
 - Chapters 1, 2, 26, 32 and Appendix G
- Chapter 1 General
 - Risk Categories and target reliabilities for tornado loads are the same as for wind loads
 - Essential facilities definition includes tornadoes
- Chapter 2 Load Combinations
 - Tornado Loads W₇ added to both Strength and ASD Load Combinations
- Chapter 26 Wind Loads
 - Added pointer to also require Tornado Loads per Chapter 32

ASCE | KNOWLEDGE & LEARNING **ESSENTIAL FACILITIES:** Buildings and other structures that are intended to remain operational in the event of extreme environmental loading from flood, wind, tornado, snow, or earthquakes.

2.3 LOAD COMBINATIONS FOR STRENGTH DESIGN 1a. 1.4D

- 2a. $1.2D + 1.6L + (0.5L_r \text{ or } 0.3S \text{ or } 0.5R)$
- 3a. $1.2D + (1.6L_r \text{ or } 1.0S \text{ or } 1.6R) + (L \text{ or } 0.5W)$
- 4a. 1.2D + 1.0 W or W_T + $L + (0.5L_r \text{ or } 0.3S \text{ or } 0.5R)$
- 5a. $0.9D + 1.0(W \text{ or } W_T)$







