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**FOURTH EDITION OF THE CONTRACTOR'S GUIDE TO QUALITY CONCRETE CONSTRUCTION
IS NOW AVAILABLE**

FARMINGTON HILLS, Mich., USA (Jan. 22, 2019) – The American Concrete Institute (ACI), Farmington Hills, MI, and American Society of Concrete Contractors (ASCC), St. Louis, MO, announce the fourth edition of the best-selling [Contractor's Guide to Quality Concrete Construction](#) is now available in printed and digital formats.

The new guide provides up-to-date knowledge of quality concrete construction practices and was unveiled today at World of Concrete in Las Vegas, NV.

Written by and for contractors, and referenced by many licensing authorities, this guide details proven practices to produce quality concrete construction. Contents include planning for quality, concrete mixtures, specifications, foundations, formwork, reinforcement and embedments in structures, joints and reinforcement for slabs-on-ground, preparing for concreting, concrete placing and finishing, common field problems, safety, and legal issues.

“The new guide is the ultimate concrete construction resource,” states Michael L. Tholen, Managing Director of Engineering and Professional Development, American Concrete Institute. “The extensive coverage of construction topics makes this an invaluable document for concrete contractors, ready mix producers, testing technicians, specifiers, engineers, and other concrete industry professionals.”

Now 262 pages – over 100 pages longer than the previous edition – the guide includes full-color photos and illustrations, a new, easier-to-read layout, and substantial content updates. Also included in the fourth edition are 43 Position Statements from ASCC, details on ACI Certification programs, and an appendix introducing several legal issues of interest to concrete contractors. A summary, review questions, and additional recommended reading list accompany each of the 12 chapters.

“The Contractor's Guide to Quality Concrete Construction has been a staple for ASCC members since the first edition was published in 1992,” states Bev Garnant, Executive Director, American Society of Concrete Contractors. “It's an excellent overview of the basic components of building with concrete; invaluable to contractors, but also a great reference for anyone involved in this industry.”

Published jointly by ACI and ASCC, the guide is intended for all levels of experience. The guide is available in both printed and digital format) for \$89.00; ACI and ASCC members will receive a member discount. A Spanish version is expected to follow. To learn more about the new Contractor's Guide to

Quality Concrete Construction, contact ACI at [concrete.org](https://www.concrete.org) or 248-848-3800, or ASCC at [asconline.org](https://www.asconline.org) or 866-788-2722.

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The American Society of Concrete Contractors is a non-profit organization dedicated to enhancing the capabilities of those who build with concrete, and to providing them a unified voice in the construction industry. Members include concrete contracting firms, manufacturers, suppliers and others interested in the concrete industry such as architects, specifiers and distributors. For more information, visit www.asconline.org or call the ASCC office at 866-788-2722.