



Representation & Advocacy

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AS3610 Formwork **Comments on Classes of Finish**

Close date Wednesday 9th March

As you are aware BD-043 has been charged with reviewing AS3610 Formwork. Part of the review includes revision of the wording relating to Classes of concrete and variation in colour. Peter Webb from Hanson Precast is representing National Precast on the committee undertaking this review.

Comments are sought from members as to whether:

- 1. The current framework should be retained and tweaked (please provide suggested changes); or
- 2. The current framework should be replaced by a new framework (please provide suggestions). As one example, Class 1 could be removed and separate wording could be included specifically for one-off, monumental, single pour projects, and Classes 2 onwards rewritten to better reflect the variety of Class 2 finishes available.

Comment would also be appreciated as to how variations in colour tone are dealt with, noting the many different viewing platforms available today (eg printed material, computer screens, mobile device screens). One possibility is using a selected grey tonal variation range from the print industry's [Pantone Scale](#); another is a handheld device that can detect the composition of colours which is available at a cost of around \$4,000.

Please provide responses/comments to Peter Webb at peter.webb@hanson.com.au (copying in Sarah at exec@nationalprecast.com.au), before close of business Wednesday 9th March.