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Dear Philip,

AS/NZS 4671 – Reinforcement identification markings

In response to your email, Standards Australia acknowledges the difficulties associated with systematically identifying reinforcement products. With relation to the identification of mesh products, Standards Australia concedes that AS/NZS 4671 may be unclear and therefore proposes that an amendment could be issued to clarify this issue.

Specifically, it is suggested that the original intent of clause 9.2 in AS/NZS 4671 could be made clearer by amending it to say the following:

Clause 9.2 Identification of Steel Product

Deformed reinforcement must carry unique markings to enable the processor to be identified.

In addition to this it is also suggested that the following change be made:

Clause 3.20 Steel Processor

In the second sentence of this clause, insert the words " cold-stretching," between the words " cold-drawing" and " decoiling" .

We note that the above raises production issues, which at the time of the initial drafting of AS/NZS 4671, were found to be particularly difficult to solve. The way forward therefore may be to issue a discussion paper to canvass these issues and subject the proposed amendment to the usual committee approval processes.

Standards Australia also confirms that there is no dispensation pertaining to the marking requirements of L class reinforcement over and above those for other grades of steel reinforcement.

I hope this clarifies where Standards Australia stands on these issues.

Yours sincerely,

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