



Effects of Recycled Tires Rubber Aggregates on the Characteristics of Cement Concrete

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ABSTRACT

This experimental work investigates the impact of substituting part of the conventional aggregates with rubber aggregates on certain characteristics of the cement concretes. This incorporation of rubber aggregates resulting from cutting worn tires in practical sizes decreases the mechanical resistances of the concretes while improving slightly the fluidity of the tested mixtures. The effect of these aggregates on the shrinkage of the concretes at an early age is appreciable and even very interesting for the concretes used, for example, in road construction. This technique of cutting worn tires without any further treatment makes it accessible to everyone which helps not only in saving the environment by getting rid of this cumbersome waste but also in saving traditional aggregates.

KEYWORDS

Rubber; Waste Tires; Concrete; Mechanical Response; Shrinkage

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