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Introduction

This National Annex has been prepared by BSI Subcommittee B/525/1, *Actions (loadings) and basis of design*. In the UK it is to be used in conjunction with BS EN 1991-1-3:2003+A1:2015.

The start and finish of text introduced or altered by National Amendment No.1 (and No. 2, respectively) are indicated in the text by tags $\boxed{A_1}$ $\langle A_1 \rangle$ (and $\boxed{A_2}$ $\langle A_2 \rangle$). Minor editorial changes are not tagged.

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NA.1 Scope

This National Annex gives:

a) the UK decisions for the Nationally Determined Parameters described in the following subclauses of BS EN 1991-1-3:2003+A1:2015:

— 1.1 (2)	— 4.2 (1)	— 5.3.4 (3)
— 1.1 (3)	— 4.3 (1)	— 5.3.5 (1)
— 1.1 (4)	— 5.2 (2)	— 5.3.5 (3)
— 2 (3)	— 5.2 (5)	— 5.3.6 (1)
— 2 (4)	— 5.2 (6)	— 5.3.6 (3)
— 3.3 (1)	— 5.2 (7)	— 6.2 (2)
— 3.3 (3)	— 5.2 (8)	— 6.3 (1)
— 4.1 (1)	$\boxed{A_1}$ — 5.3.2 (3) $\langle A_1 \rangle$	— 6.3 (2)
— 4.1 (2)	— 5.3.3 (4)	— Annex A (1)

b) the UK decisions on the status of BS EN 1991-1-3:2003+A1:2015 informative annexes;

c) references to non-contradictory complementary information.

NA.2 Nationally Determined Parameters

NA.2.1 Altitudes greater than 1 500 m [BS EN 1991-1-3:2003+A1:2015, 1.1 (2)]

The scope of BS EN 1991-1-3 does not include sites at altitudes above 1 500 m. For altitudes greater than 1 500 m specialist advice should be sought from the Meteorological Office on the snow loads likely to occur at the site.

NA.2.2 Design situations and load arrangements to be used for different locations [BS EN 1991-1-3:2003+A1:2015, 1.1 (3)]

The scope of BS EN 1991-1-3 states that information on design situations and load arrangements to be used for different locations is given in BS EN 1991-1-3:2003+A1:2015, Annex A.

The design situations summarized as case B2 in BS EN 1991-1-3:2003+A1:2015, Table A.1 should be the only exceptional condition to be checked for determining imposed $\boxed{A_2}$ building and civil engineering structures $\langle A_2 \rangle$ snow loads in the UK.

NA.2.3 Snow load shape coefficients for exceptional snow drifts [BS EN 1991-1-3:2003+A1:2015, 1.1 (4)]

The scope of BS EN 1991-1-3 states that information on snow load shape coefficients for exceptional snow drifts is given in BS EN 1991-1-3:2003+A1:2015, Annex B.

BS EN 1991-1-3:2003+A1:2015, Annex B should be used in the UK in order to determine exceptional snow drift loads.

NA.2.4 Exceptional snow load on the ground [BS EN 1991-1-3:2003+A1:2015, 2 (3)]

Exceptional snow load on the ground $\boxed{A_2}$ is not considered to occur in the UK $\langle A_2 \rangle$.