

earth or material compacted sufficiently so that frost is not an issue. Sand used for the base should comply with *ASTM C 33*.

Concrete bases can be either new or existing concrete. If a mortar bed is to be used, the surface should be sufficiently roughened. If a chemical primer is to be used, the manufacturer's directions should be observed. If existing concrete is to be used, it should be carefully inspected for cracks, chips, level, and soundness. Asphalt bases should not be used for rigid paving systems.