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### **Preface**

This edition updates this publication to the 2018 *International Building Code*<sup>®</sup> (IBC<sup>®</sup>) and the 2016 edition of *Minimum Design Loads and Associated Criteria for Buildings and Other Structures* (ASCE/SEI 7-16).

Like previous editions, this edition is an essential resource for civil and structural engineers, architects, plan check engineers and students who need an efficient and practical approach to load determination under the 2018 IBC and ASCE/SEI 7-16 standard. It illustrates the application of code provisions and methodology for determining structural loads through the use of numerous flowcharts and practical design examples. Included are the following major topics:

- Load combinations for allowable stress design, load and resistance factor (strength) design, seismic load combinations with vertical load effect and special seismic load combinations, and
- Dead loads, live loads (including live load reduction), rain loads, snow loads, ice loads, wind loads, earthquake load effects and flood loads and tsunami loads.

Problem sections are included at the ends of most of the chapters. Solutions to these problems, which are available in a companion document to this publication, further illustrate the proper application of the code provisions.

Major changes occurred in the wind load provisions in going from the 2010 to the 2016 edition of ASCE/SEI 7. These changes are covered in detail in Chapter 5. A new chapter on tsunami loads and effects is included in ASCE/SEI 7-16, and these requirements are covered in Chapter 7.

Structural Load Determination: 2018 IBC® and ASCE/SEI 7-16 is a multipurpose resource for civil and structural engineers, architects and plan check engineers because it can be used as a self-learning guide as well as a reference manual.

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