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## 0 Introduction

In order to apply modular coordination to vertical dimensions in building construction, it is necessary to define a reference plane from which such modular dimensions may be taken. This reference plane is called the modular floor plane. In this International Standard, the modular floor plane is defined in such a way as to be continuous all over each storey of a building, regardless of the fact that the level of the upper surface of floor covering may vary within each storey. This International Standard also provides for the condition that the upper surface of the structural floor is normally continuous over the whole of each storey.

## 1 Scope and field of application

This International Standard defines three positions of the modular floor plane (see figure 1) as reference plane for vertical modular dimensions in building design and gives rules for the position of the floor in relation to this plane.

It applies to the construction of buildings of all types designed in accordance with the principles and rules of modular coordination as laid down in ISO 2848.

## 2 References

ISO 1791, *Building construction — Modular coordination — Vocabulary*.

ISO 2848, *Building construction — Modular coordination — Principles and rules*.

## 3 Definition

The following definition is specific to this International Standard and is not covered in ISO 1791.

**modular floor plane** : Horizontal modular plane continuous over the whole of each storey of a building and coinciding with the upper surface of floor covering, the upper surface of rough floor or the upper surface of structural floor.

## 4 Specification

The modular floor plane may in principle coincide<sup>1)</sup> with the upper surface of floor covering [see figure 2a)], the upper surface of rough floor [see figure 2b)] or the upper surface of structural floor [see figure 2c)].

Vertical modular dimensions should be taken from the modular floor plane.

1) The plane and floor will not totally coincide due to unevenness of floor surfaces, joints and tolerances.

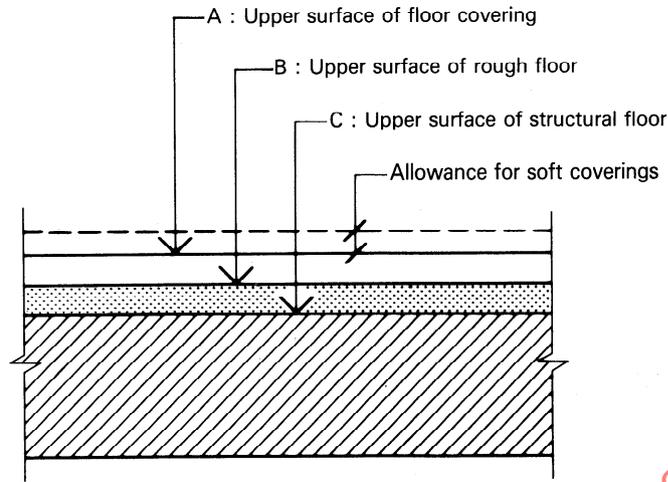


Figure 1 – Illustration of floor levels

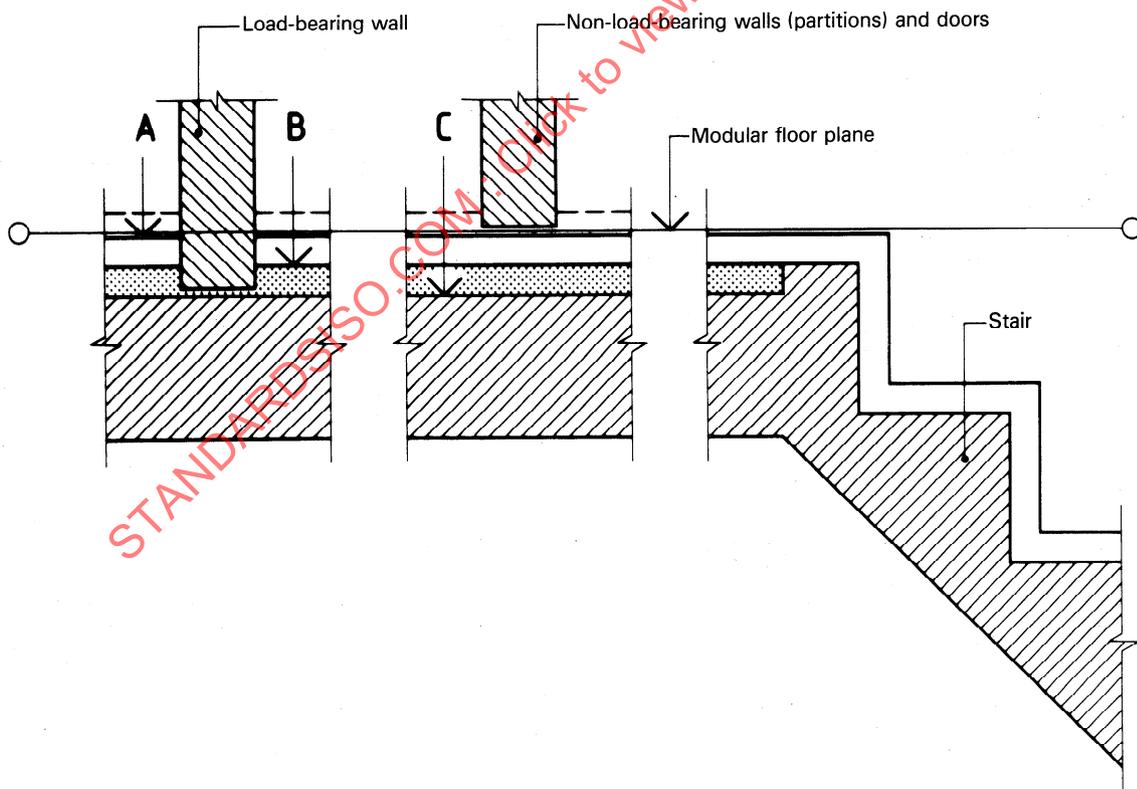


Figure 2 a) – Modular floor plane coinciding with upper surface of floor covering (level A)

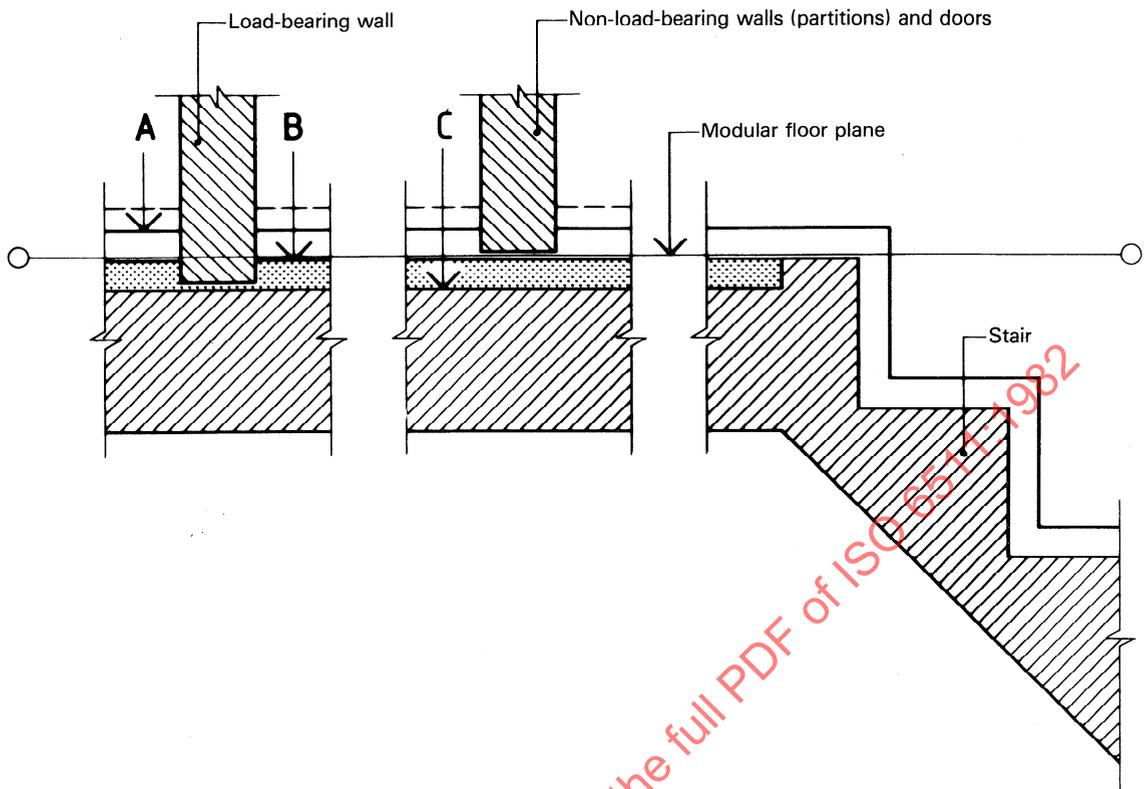
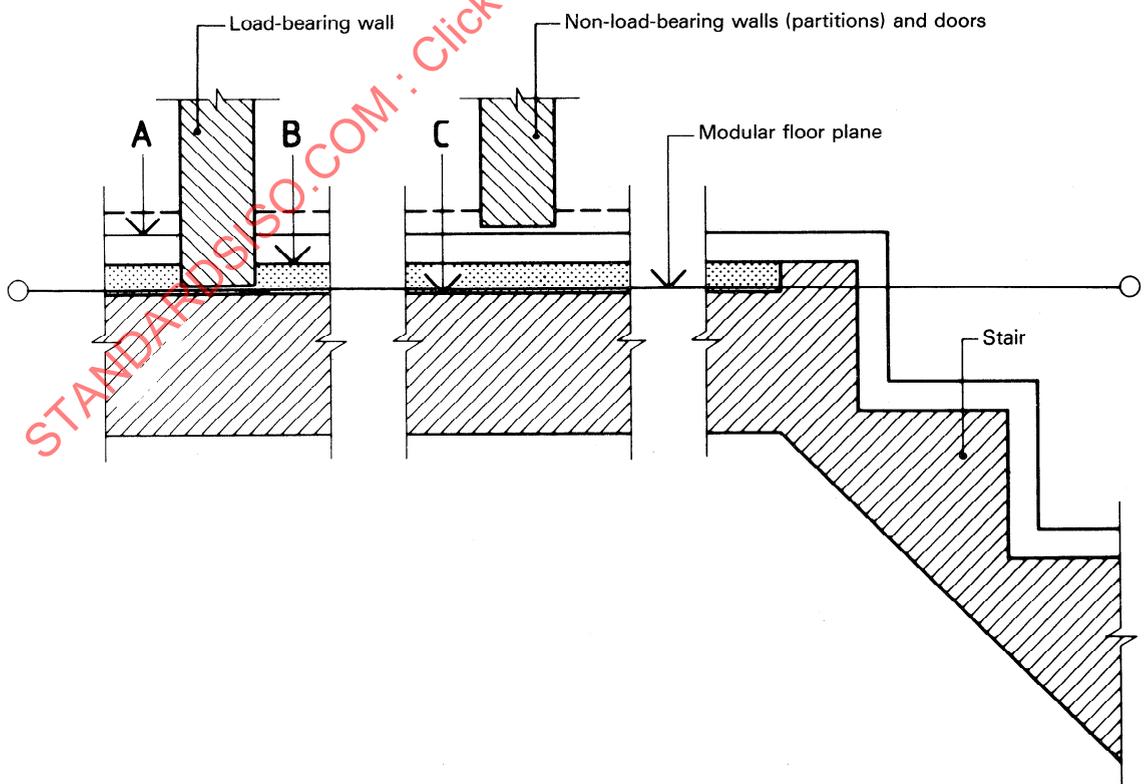


Figure 2 b) — Modular floor plane coinciding with upper surface of rough floor (level B)



NOTE — The non-load-bearing components can also be placed as shown in figure 2b).

Figure 2 c) — Modular floor plane coinciding with upper surface of structural floor (level C)

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