

High-Energy Absorption Rockfall Protection Construction

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Curtain Net method can absorb rockfall energy with the whole wire net, which provides high-energy-absorption performance.

With the Curtain Net, struts and suspension ropes are not installed on the slope intended to draw falling rocks, but unique robust struts are installed on both stable sides less prone to rockfall and are secured by suspension ropes and stay ropes. With this arrangement, falling rocks do not strike directly on the struts or suspension ropes, but the rockfall energy is absorbed only by the curtain as it is an elastic body. Thus, it is a high-energy absorbing, rockfall protection construction method.





Features

Tough and excellent in absorbing rockfall energy

The horizontal ropes along the top of the curtain and strut suspension ropes are stronger and more flexible than the wire ropes used in conventional pocket-type rock nets. Besides, the vertical and horizontal ropes (both main and reinforcing ropes) are placed densely, so that falling rocks of large size are received integrally by both the rope and net members together, rather than by the net alone.

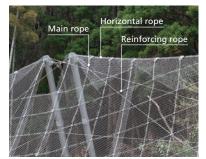
The larger deal load of the curtain means a greater difference in energy before and after collision, which results in substantial increase in the capacity to absorb rockfall energy.

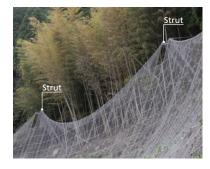
Struts can be placed wider apart

Unlike the conventional pocket-type rock net, strut-to-strut intervals can be increased. Consequently, struts can be installed on stable locations, avoiding dangerous slope and swamp areas susceptible to rockfall and unstable cliffs. This arrangement prevents falling rocks from striking directly on the struts and suspension ropes. On undulating slopes, the undulation can be utilized, that is, anchors can be installed directly in stable ground to extend the top horizontal top ropes to install the curtain.

Rocks falling from high elevations can be received securely

The struts supporting the curtain are tall at 2.5 to 8.0 meters and form a large opening in the upper pocket, which reliably accommodates rocks bounding down from high elevations.









Prone to less damage and easy in maintenance

The curtain that receives falling rocks is less prone to damage because its wire ropes and nets are composed of strong and flexible materials. In addition, falling rocks are guided more desirably to the foot of slope than in the pocket-type rock net, so that accumulated rocks can be removed more easily.

High corrosion resistance and durability

High durability versions provide an expected service life of more than 50 years in mountainous areas.

Excellent corrosion resistance and durability result from the galvanization on all members. Wires, such as those used in wire nets and wire ropes, which are low in plating coating weight, are applied with zinc-aluminum alloy plating to improve corrosion resistance and durability.

It is not desirable that important facilities built to prevent rockfall accidents loose their function in short times due to corrosive deterioration of any particular component member. Based on this idea, standard plating specifications assure at least 50 years of corrosion resistance in mountainous areas, which are typical locations for such facilities.

Environmentally compatible (Toff-coated) version

"Toff-coated products" are offered as environmentally compatible versions, which are applied with modified saturated polyester resin coating on the plated surface. The coating film of these products provides resistance to peeling, resistance to scratches, and high adhesiveness, which together serve to prevent salt damage. The Toff-coated version also features acid/alkali resistance that has not been achieved by metal-based rust prevention. Furthermore, the film strength and elongation provide high reliability for the coating of deformation-susceptible products such as wire rope and wire net. When the Toff-coating is applied to winding grips, the power of fixing with the rope remains conformant to the standard value.





Curtain Net

The construction site: Tokushima Prefecture, Japan (CN-5.0)



Curtain Net

The construction site: Chiba Prefecture, Japan (CN-5.0)



Curtain Net

The construction site: Chiba Prefecture, Japan (CN-4.0)



Curtain Net Super The construction site: Hiroshima Prefecture, Japan (CN-S)

CURTAIN NET

The models are CN-5.0ZA and CN-4.0ZA for rhombus wire nets of 5.0 ϕ and 4 ϕ wires, respectively, plated with zinc aluminum alloy, and CN-5.0G and CN-4.0G for rhombus wire nets of galvanized element wires. Further, Model TF refers to nets applied with Toff-coating over the galvanized surface. When a net of Model 5.0 uses top horizontal ropes and strut suspension ropes of 7x7 30 ϕ , it is referred to as Model CN-5.0ZA (G, TG)-30.

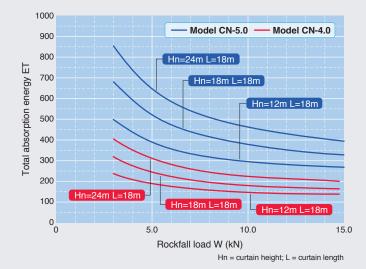
Model CN-5.0ZA (G, TF) Model CN-4.0.0ZA (G, TF)

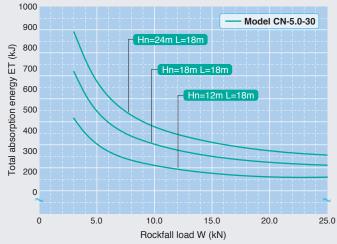
Model

	Model CN-5.0ZA (G, TF)	Model CN-4.0ZA (G, TF)	
Wire net	5.0 <i>φ</i> ×50×50	4.0 <i>φ</i> ×50×50	
Top horizontal rope	7×7 24φ	7×7 20¢	
Vertical/horizontal ropes	3×7 18φ	3×7 16φ	
Vertical/horizontal reinforcing ropes	3×7 14φ	3×7 12¢	
CN strut (with ladder)	H-200×200×8×12, 2-M33×1200	H-175×175×7.5×11, 2-M30×1200	
Strut suspension rope	7×7 24φ	7×7 20¢	
Strut side stay rope	3×7 18φ	3×7 16φ	
Anchor fitting	25t×450×450, 4-M30×1200	25t×450×450, 4-M27×1200	
TR Cement Jaw Anchor	M33×1200	M33×1200	
FR anchor	FRC190 7×7 30φ 6.0m	FRC130 7×7 30¢ 5.0m	
Saddle (for FR anchor)	16×600×1000	16×600×1000	
Root anchor	114.3 <i>φ</i> ×4.5×1800	114.3 <i>\phi</i> ×4.5×1800	
	1·1/2(38¢)×419	1·1/2(38 <i>φ</i>)×419	
Turnbuckle J&E	M24×350	M24×350	
Turnbuckle E&E for Strut connection	M24×350	M24×350	
Wire grip	F24-25	F20-22	
Thimble	A-28	A-22	
	For 18ϕ	For 16 ϕ	
Winding grip	For 14 ϕ	For 12 ϕ	
Suspension fitting	For 24 ϕ	For 20 <i>φ</i>	
Cross grip	4.5t×60×75	4.5t×60×75 and 3t×60×60	
Coupling coil	4.0 <i>φ</i> ×70×300	4.0 <i>\phi</i> ×70×300	

Note: All parts are galvanized. For standard versions (ZA), the wire nets, wire ropes, and winding grips, which are low in plating coating weight, are plated with a highly durable alloy of zinc and 10% aluminum. For TF versions, members with a plating coating weight of 550 g/m² or more (HDZ-55) are applied with powder coating baking.

Selection Chart





Hn = curtain height; L = curtain length

Model CN-5.0ZA (G, TF)-30

Model

	Model CN-5.0ZA (G, TF)-30	
Wire net	5.0¢×50×50	
Top horizontal rope	7×7 30 <i>φ</i>	
Vertical/horizontal ropes	3×7 18φ	
Vertical/horizontal reinforcing ropes	3×7 14φ	
CN strut (with ladder)	H-200×200×8×12, 2-M33×1200	
Strut suspension rope	7×7 30 <i>φ</i>	
Strut side stay rope	3×7 18 <i>φ</i>	
Anchor fitting	25t×450×450, 4-M33×1350	
TR Cement Jaw Anchor	M33×1200	
FR anchor	FRC290 7×7 30 <i>φ</i> 8.5m	
Saddle (for FR anchor)	16×600×1000	
Root anchor	114.3 <i>φ</i> ×4.5×1800	
Rigging screw	Nominal 36	
Turnbuckle J&E	M24×350	
Turnbuckle E&E for Strut connection	M24×350	
Wire grip	F30-32	
Thimble	A-34	
Winding grin	For 18 ϕ	
Winding grip	For 14 ϕ	
Suspension fitting	For 30 <i>φ</i>	
Cross grip	4.5t×60×75	
Coupling coil	4.0φ×70×300	

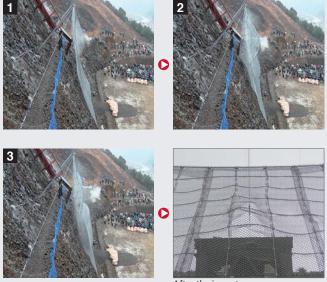
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Full scale weight impact tests

Model CN-5.0ZA

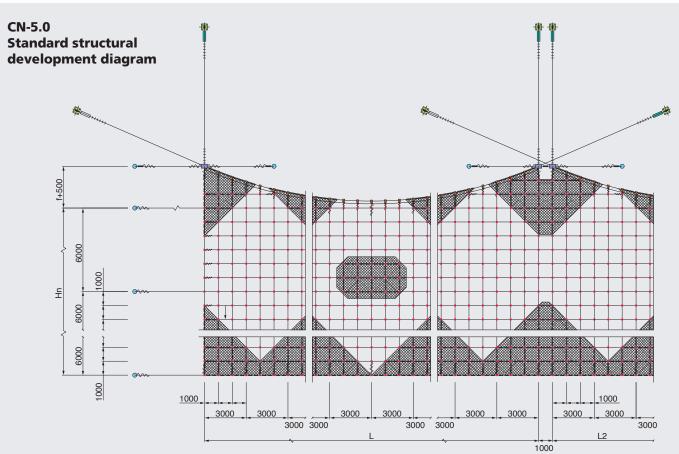
The test confirms that a descending horn-shaped concrete plumb bob(10kN) from the upper chute with revolving movement (plumb bob energy 389kJ) collided with the Curtain net construction and it catches the plumb bob without being penetrated.





After the impact

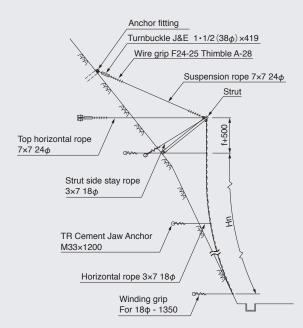
Structure of Curtain Net



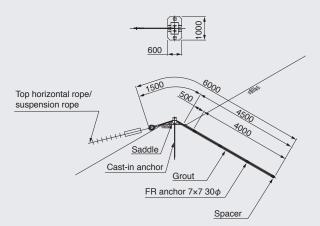
Parts list

Part name	Symbol	Part name
Wire net	*****	SymbolAnchor fitting
Top horizontal rope	—	TR Cement Jaw Anch
Vertical rope		Turnbuckle
Horizontal rope	—	Wire grip
Vertical reinforcing rope		Winding grip
Horizontal reinforcing rope	—	Suspension fitting
Strut		Cross grip
Strut suspension rope		Coupling coil
Strut side stay rope	—	

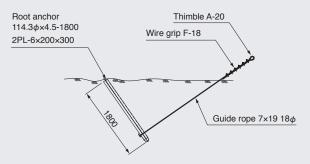
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	Turnbuckle	
	Wire grip	
	Winding grip	~~~
	Suspension fitting	
	Cross grip	+
	Coupling coil	m



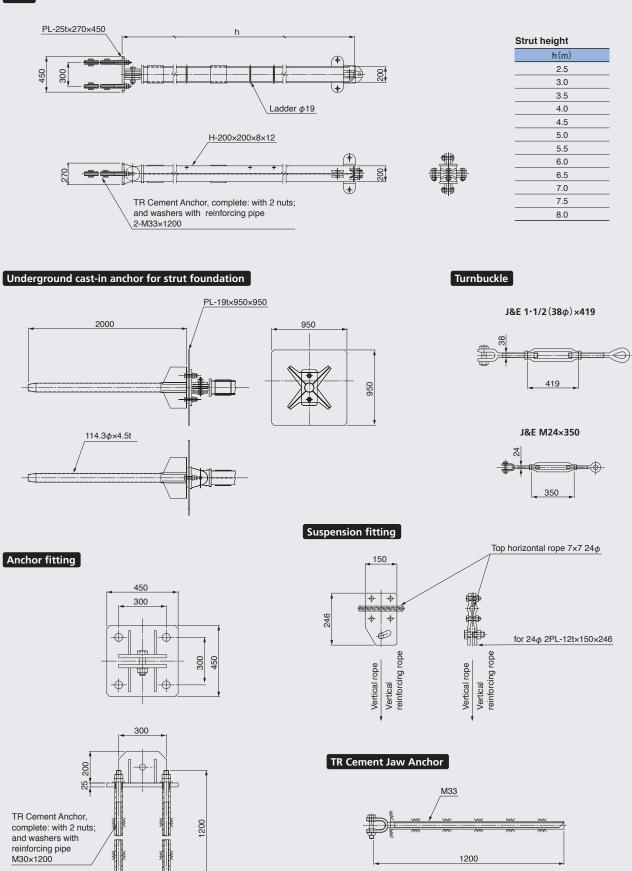
FR anchor FRC-190



Root anchor



Strut



Note: Separate specifications apply if snow load is taken into consideration.

CURTAIN NET SUPER

These models comprise a rhombus wire net of 5.0ϕ element wires plated with a zinc-aluminum alloy. Two models are the standard: Model CNS-S (ZA) with two top horizontal ropes of 7x7 ZA/0 30ϕ , and Model CNS-M (ZA) with horizontal ropes of 7x7 ZA/0 24ϕ . In addition, the model using wire nets, wire ropes, winding grips, and coupling coils, all plated with a zinc-aluminum alloy, is Model G and the one applied with Toff-coating is Model TF.

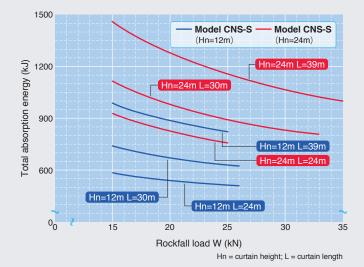
Model CNS-S (ZA, G, TF)

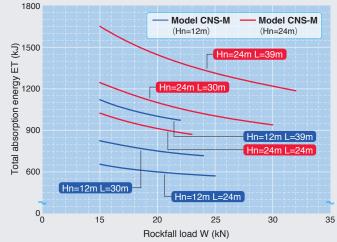
Model

	Model CNS-S (ZA, G, TF)	
Wire net	5.0φ×50×50	
Top horizontal rope	7×7 30φ	
Vertical/horizontal ropes	3×7 18φ	
Vertical/horizontal reinforcing ropes	3×7 14φ	
CNS strut (with ladder)	H-250×250×9×14, 4-M33×1200	
Strut suspension rope	7×7 30φ	
Strut side stay rope	3×7 18φ	
Anchor fitting	for 30 \$\phi\$ 25×450×450, 4-M33×1350	
TR E Anchor	38¢×1200	
FR anchor	FRC-290 7×7 30¢ 8.5m	
Saddle (for FR anchor)	16×600×1000	
Root anchor	114.3 <i>φ</i> ×4.5×1800	
Rigging screw	Nominal 36	
Turnbuckle J&E	M24×350	
Joint rope, with both ends worked for Toyolock	3×7 18φ	
Wire grip	F30-32	
Thimble	A-34	
Winding grip	for 18 ϕ	
Winding grip	for 14 ϕ	
Suspension fitting	for 2×30 <i>φ</i>	
Cross grip	4.5 t ×60×75	
Coupling coil	4.0 <i>φ</i> ×70×300	
Coupling coil (for top rope)	4.0 <i>φ</i> ×100×300	

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Selection Chart





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Model CNS-M (ZA, G, TF)

Model

	Model CNS-M (ZA, G, TF)	
Wire net	5.0¢×50×50	
Top horizontal rope	7×7 30φ	
Vertical rope	3×7 18φ	
Horizontal rope	7×7 24φ	
Vertical/horizontal reinforcing ropes	3×7 14φ	
CNS strut (with ladder)	H-250×250×9×14, 4-M33×1200	
Strut suspension rope	7×7 30φ	
Strut side stay rope	3×7 18φ	
Anchor fitting (for suspension/top horizontal ropes)	for 30 <i>φ</i> 25×450×450, 4-M33×1350	
Anchor fitting (for horizontal rope)	25×450×450, 4-M30×1200	
TR E Anchor	38 φ×1200	
FR anchor (for suspension/top horizontal ropes)	FRC-290 7×7 30¢ 8.5m	
Saddle (for FR anchor)	16×600×1000	
FR anchor (for horizontal rope)	FRC-190 7×7 30¢ 6.0m	
Saddle (for FR anchor)	16×600×1000	
Root anchor	114.3 <i>φ</i> ×4.5×1800	
Rigging screw	Nominal 36	
Turnbuckle J&E	M24×350	
Joint rope, with both ends worked for Toyolock	3×7 18φ	
Wire grip (for suspension/top horizontal ropes)	F30-32	
Thimble (for suspension/top horizontal ropes)	A-34	
Wire grip (for horizontal rope)	F24-25	
Thimble (for horizontal rope)	A-28	
Winding grip	for 18ϕ	
Winding grip	for 14ϕ	
Suspension fitting	for 2×30¢	
Cross grip	4.5 t ×60×75	
Coupling coil	4.0φ×70×300	
Coupling coil (for top rope)	4.0 <i>φ</i> ×100×300	

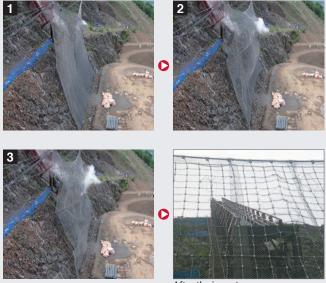
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Full scale weight impact tests

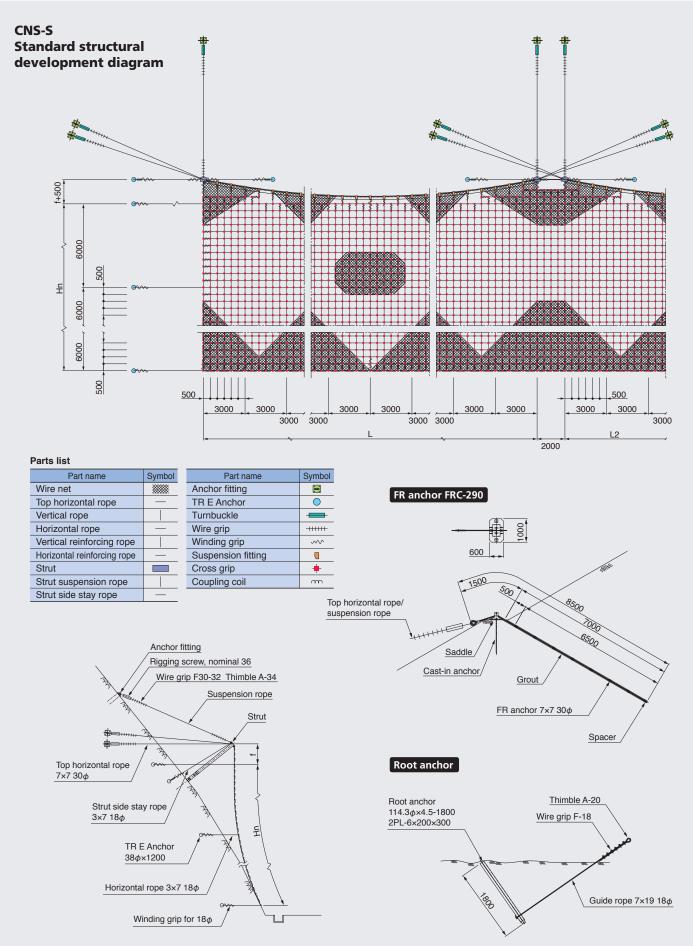
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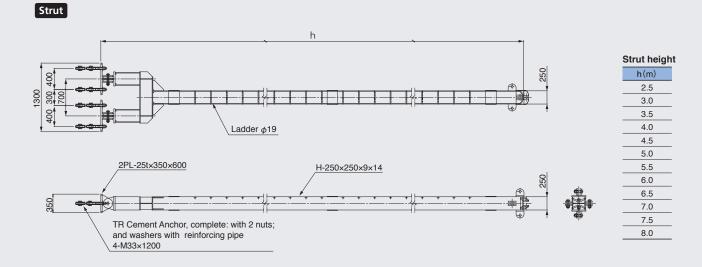
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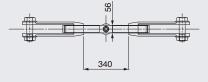
Structure of Curtain Net Super



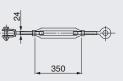


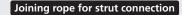
Turnbuckle

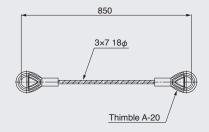
J&E M24×350



Rigging screw, nominal 36

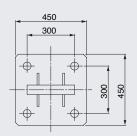


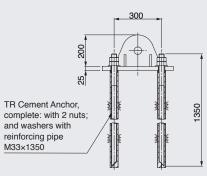


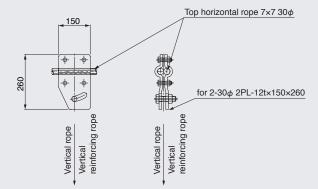


Suspension fitting

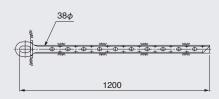








TR E Anchor





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