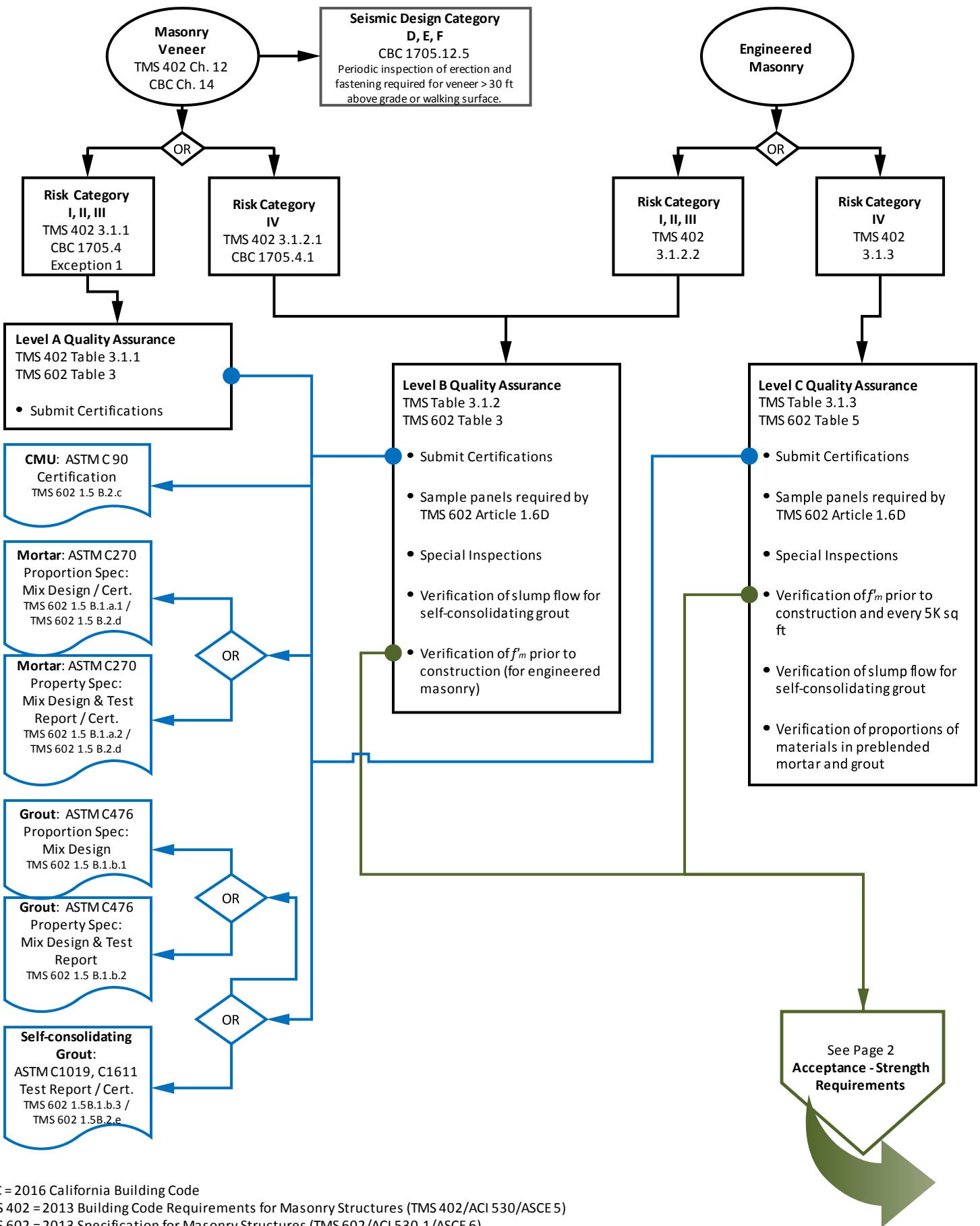


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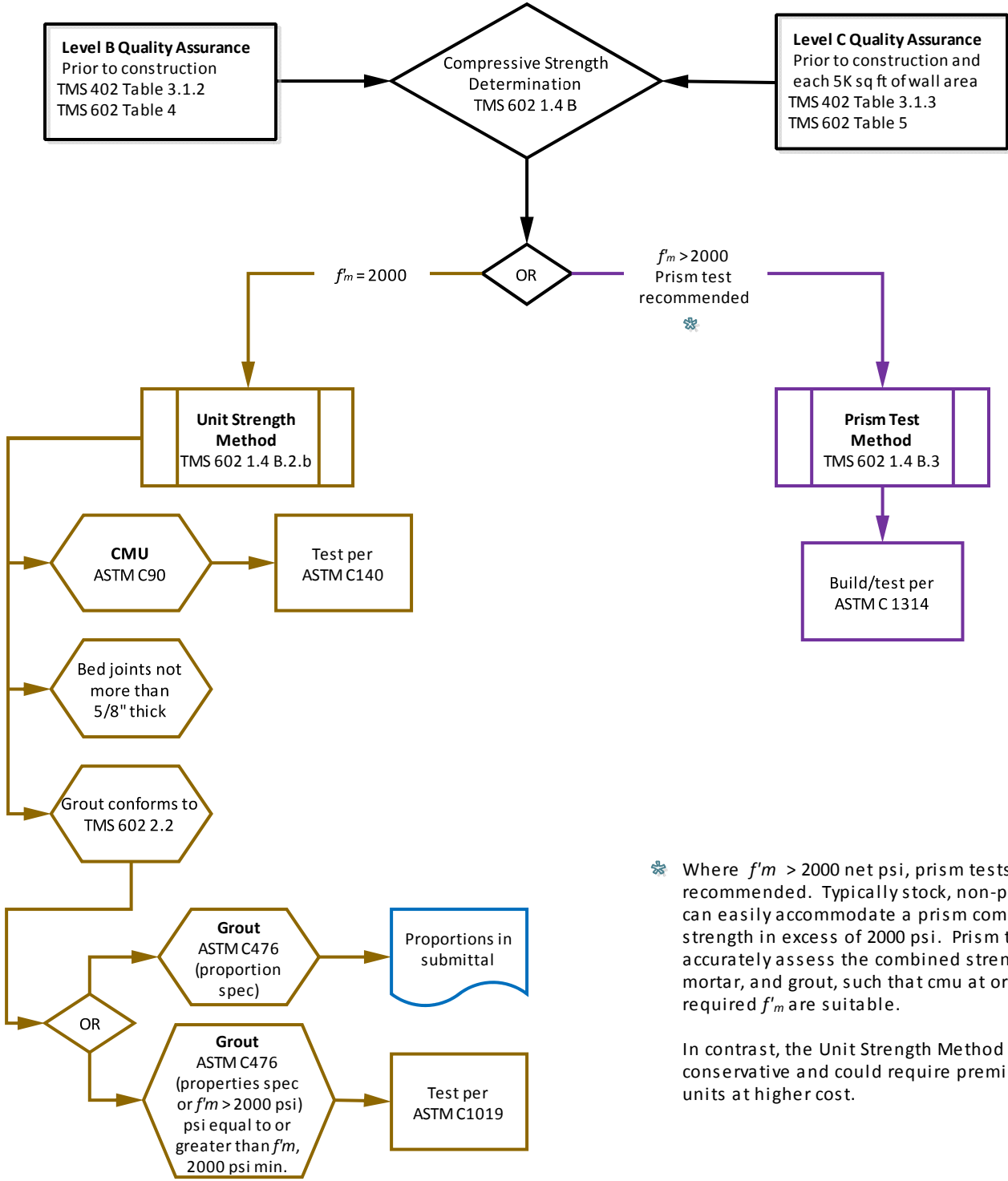
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**Acceptance -
Strength
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* Where $f'_m > 2000$ net psi, prism tests are recommended. Typically stock, non-premium cmu can easily accommodate a prism compressive strength in excess of 2000 psi. Prism tests accurately assess the combined strengths of cmu, mortar, and grout, such that cmu at or above the required f'_m are suitable.

In contrast, the Unit Strength Method is overly conservative and could require premium strength units at higher cost.

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