

Manufahi Toilets – Quantities of concrete blocks and cement required per toilet.

Number of blocks required:

Standard block size = 400 x 200 x 100

Standard mortar joint = 10mm (+/-3mm)

Pit construction:

Make pit from 14 blocks per course, hence inside circumference = $(400 + 10) \times 15 = 6150$

Hence internal diameter = $6150/3.146 = 1955\text{mm}$

And outside diameter = $1955 + 2(100) = 2155\text{mm}$

Size of slab around pit = 2400 x 2400.

Depth of pit = 2000 below ground level. Finished height is 100mm above ground level, so total height of blocks is 2100 = 10 blocks x 210.

So number of blocks required = 15 x 10 = 150 per pit.

Toilet Block Construction:

Main walls = 30 blocks

Height 2100 = 10 blocks high so total 30 x 10 = 300 blocks

Water tanks 6 x 3 = 18 blocks

Shelf = 2 block

Total = 320 blocks.

Total:

Pit:	150
Building:	300
Total	450

Order 500 blocks per toilet to provide allowance

Volume of concrete = $500 \times (.4 \times .2 \times .1) = 4\text{m}^3$

Weight of blocks: 4 x 2.4 = 9.6 tonnes.

Volume of concrete slab Estimate

Pit base slab

Assume pit is dug 3m diameter

Area of slab = $3 \times 3 \times 3.146/4 = 7 \text{ m}^2$. $\times 0.1 = 0.7 \text{ m}^3$.

Allow 1 m³ concrete for thickening under wall

Pit top slab

Area $2.4 \times 2.4 = 5.76 \text{ m}^2$

Less hole Area = $2.155 \times 2.155 \times 3.146/4 = 3.65 \text{ m}^2$

Slab area = $5.76 - 3.65 = 2.11 \text{ m}^2$

Thickness = 100mm so Volume concrete = $2.11 \times 0.1 = 0.211 \text{ m}^3$. Allow 0.3m³

Building Slab

$3.5 \times 2.1 \times 0.1 = 0.735$ – allow 1 m³ to allow for thickening under walls.

Totals:

Pit base =	1 m ³
Pit lid surround =	0.3m ³
Building =	1.0m ³

Total = 2.3m³/per toilet

Allow 2.5 m³/toilet

Mix 1:2:4 cement:sand:aggregate

Hence need $294 \times 2.5 = 735$ kg cement. (from on-line calculator)

Mix = Mortar; 1:4 cement:sand

For pit, number of blocks = 150. Mortar joints on bottom = $150 \times 0.4 \times 0.01 = 0.6 \text{ m}^3$

For vertical joints, inside = 10mm, outside = 44 mm, average = 27mm. Volume = $150 \times 0.21 \times 0.027 = 0.85 \text{ m}^3$

Total = $0.6 + 0.85 = 1.45 \text{ m}^3$

Building: 300 block so mortar = $300 \times (0.41 + 0.21) \times 0.01 = 1.86 \text{ m}^3$.

Total mortar = $1.45 + 1.86 = 3.31$ m³. Say 4 m³.

Cement required = $4 \times 390 = 1,560$ kg.

So total cement = $735 + 1560 = 2295$ kg. (46 x 50 kg bags, **say 50 bags (2500kg)**)