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REVISION OF SECTION 401

TEMPERATURE SEGREGATION

**NOTICE**

This is a standard special provision that revises or modifies CDOT’s *Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction.* It has gone through a formal review and approval process and has been issued by CDOT’s Project Development Branch with formal instructions for its use on CDOT construction projects. It is to be used as written without change. Do not use modified versions of this special provision on CDOT construction projects, and do not use this special provision on CDOT projects in a manner other than that specified in the instructions unless such use is first approved by the Standards and Specifications Unit of the Project Development Branch. The instructions for use on CDOT construction projects appear below.

Other agencies which use the *Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction* to administer construction projects may use this special provision as appropriate and at their own risk.

**Instructions for use on CDOT construction projects:**

Use this standard special provision on all projects having Hot Mix Asphalt.

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Section 401 of the Standard Specifications is hereby revised for this project as follows:

Subsection 401.16 shall include the following:

The Engineer will perform a systematic segregation check in accordance with CP 58 as early in the project as is feasible to determine if temperature segregation problems exist. Temperature segregation will be of concern on the project if, across the width of the mat, temperatures vary by 25 °F or more. Densities will not need to be taken in the systematic segregation study. The Engineer will discuss the temperature findings of the systematic segregation check with the Contractor.

The Engineer may evaluate the HMA for low density due to temperature segregation any time industry best practices, as detailed on Form 1346, are not being followed or the Engineer suspects temperature segregation is occurring. The Engineer will first meet with the Contractor to discuss the paving practices that are triggering the temperature investigation. Areas across the mat, excluding the outside 1 foot of both edges of the mat, that are more than 25 °F cooler than other material across the width may be marked for density testing. Material for temperature comparison will be evaluated in 3-foot intervals behind the paver across the width of the mat. The material shall be marked and tested in accordance with CP 58. If four or more areas within a lot of 500 tons have densities of less than 93 percent of the material’s maximum specific gravity for SMA mixes or less than 92 percent of the material’s maximum specific gravity for all other HMA mixes, a 5 percent price disincentive will be applied to the 500 ton lot. The 500 ton count begins when the Engineer starts looking for cold areas, not when the first cold area is detected. This price disincentive will be in addition to those described in Sections 105 and 106. Only one area per delivered truck will be counted toward the number of low density areas. Temperature segregation checks will be performed only in areas where continuous paving is possible.