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REVISION OF SECTION 401

RECLAIMED ASPHALT PAVEMENT

**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 CDOT’s Standards and Specifications Unit. 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 projects with voids acceptance of hot mix asphalt. This specification may also be used on other projects as determined by the Region Materials Engineer.

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

Subsection 401.02(b) shall include the following:

Reclaimed Asphalt Pavement (RAP) is allowed in hot mix asphalt (HMA) up to a maximum binder replacement of 23 percent for all lifts, provided all specifications for HMA are met. Fine Aggregate Angularity requirements shall apply only to the virgin fraction of the fine aggregate. The RAP shall not contain clay balls, vegetable matter, or other deleterious substances, and must meet the uniformity requirements as outlined below.

HMA Project Verification Testing for asphalt content and gradation will be performed at the frequencies listed in the Field Materials Manual in accordance with CP-L 5120.

The Contractor shall have an approved mix design for the amount of RAP to be used. The AC content of the RAP utilized in the Contractor RAP mix design shall be the average AC content determined in accordance with 1B or 1C, below, or alternatively, a minimum of five samples of the Contractors RAP stockpile may be sampled and the average AC content of the RAP be determined using AASHTO T-164, Method A or B, or in accordance with 1C below. The Contractor shall determine the total binder replaced by the binder in the RAP pursuant to the following equation:

Total Binder Replaced = (A x B) x 100/E

Where:

A = RAP % Binder Content \*

B = RAP % in Mix \*

E = Total Effective Binder Content \*

\* in decimal format (i.e. 2% is 0.02)

The Total Binder Replaced by the binder in the RAP shall not exceed 23 percent of the effective binder content of either the mix design or the produced mix.

The use of RAP shall be controlled in accordance with subsections 105.05 and 106.05. If the Contractor elects to use RAP, the following additional conditions shall apply:

1. The Contractor shall have an approved Process Control (PC) Plan that details how the RAP will be processed and controlled. The PC plan shall address the following:

1. RAP Processing Techniques. This requires a schematic diagram and narrative that explains the processing (crushing, screening, and rejecting) and stockpile operation for this specific project.
2. Control of RAP Asphalt Binder Content (AASHTO T-164, Method A or B). RAP Asphalt Binder Content may also be determined in accordance with CP-L 5120, provided a RAP AC content correction factor is determined through correlation testing with AASHTO T-164, Method A or B. The correction factor shall be determined by performing correlation testing on the first five samples of the RAP AC content, then at a frequency of one for every five AC content tests thereafter. The correction factor shall be determined by calculating the average difference in AC content between CP-L 5120 and AASHTO T-164, Method A or B, and applying the correction to the AC content determined in accordance with CP-L 5120 :

Frequency: 1/1000 tons of processed RAP material (minimum five tests)

1. Alternative Control of RAP Binder Content. The Contractor may propose a RAP asphalt content correction factor to be used in conjunction with CP-L 5120. The proposed CP-L 5120 RAP asphalt content correction factor shall be used with all RAP asphalt contents tested for the mixture design and quality control sampling and testing. The methodology of the proposed CP-L 5120 RAP asphalt content correction factor shall be outlined in detail in the approved RAP PC Plan. At a minimum, the proposed CP-L 5120 correction factor shall identify the principal source locations of the RAP aggregate, gradation of the material tested, and specific ignition oven serial number used in all the RAP asphalt content testing. The RAP source locations, material gradation, and specific equipment used shall substantiate the CP-L 5120 asphalt content correction factor used for the testing. The substantiation must be from data gathered from historical information or specific asphalt content correction data obtained from tests performed on similar virgin aggregate sources, virgin material gradations, and the specific equipment used.
2. Control of RAP Gradation (CP31 or AASHTO T-30):

Frequency: 1/1000 tons of processed RAP material (minimum three tests)

1. Process Control Charts shall be maintained for binder content and each screen listed in subsection 401.02(b), during addition of any RAP material to the stockpile. The Contractor shall maintain separate control charts for each RAP stockpile. The control charts shall be displayed and shall be made available, along with RAP AC extraction testing laboratory reports, to the Engineer upon request.

2. The processed RAP must be 100 percent passing the 31.5 mm (1¼ inch) sieve. The aggregate obtained from the processed RAP shall be 100 percent passing the 25.0 mm (1 inch) sieve. The aggregate and binder obtained from the processed RAP shall be uniform in all the measured parameters in accordance with the following:

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| **Parameter** | **Standard Deviation** |
| Binder Content | 0.5 |
| Percent Passing 19 mm (¾”) | 4.0 |
| Percent Passing 12.5 mm (½”) | 4.0 |
| Percent Passing 9.5 mm (⅜”) | 4.0 |
| Percent Passing 4.75 mm (#4) | 4.0 |
| Percent Passing 2.36 mm (#8) | 4.0 |
| Percent Passing 600 m (#30) | 3.0 |
| Percent Passing 75 m (#200) | 1.5 |
| **\***Uniformity is the Maximum allowable Standard Deviation of test results of processed RAP. | |

1. If RAP millings generated are incorporated in the same project, in accordance with CPL 5145 the Contractor shall pave with a virgin mix design until sufficient amount of processed RAP has been stockpiled and tested to allow full production of a RAP HMA mix.