

**SECTION 32 12 16**  
**ASPHALT PAVING**

**PART 1 - GENERAL**

**1.1 DESCRIPTION**

- A. This work shall cover the composition, mixing, construction upon the prepared subgrade, and the protection of hot asphalt concrete pavement. The hot asphalt concrete pavement shall consist of an aggregate or asphalt base course and asphalt surface course constructed in conformity with the lines, grades, thickness, and cross sections as shown. Each course shall be constructed to the depth, section, or elevation required by the drawings and shall be rolled, finished, and approved before the placement of the next course.
- B. The Contractor shall retain and reimburse a laboratory to perform said duties; or to obtain a certification from the authorized representative of the State; or to obtain certification from the asphalt paving producer. Certificate of compliance shall cover quality and gradation of aggregate base, quality and grades of asphalt course materials, and that the job-mixture meets or exceeds the State requirements.

**1.2 RELATED WORK**

- A. Laboratory and field testing requirements: Section 01 45 29, TESTING LABORATORY SERVICES.
- B. Subgrade Preparation: Paragraph 3.3 and Section 31 20 00, EARTH MOVING
- C. Pavement Markings: Section 32 17 23, PAVEMENT MARKINGS.

**1.3 INSPECTION OF PLANT AND EQUIPMENT**

The Resident Engineer shall have access at all times to all parts of the material producing plants for checking the mixing operations and materials and the adequacy of the equipment in use.

**1.4 ALIGNMENT AND GRADE CONTROL**

The Contractor's Registered Professional Land Surveyor specified in Section 01 00 00, GENERAL REQUIREMENTS shall establish and control the pavement (aggregate or asphalt base course and asphalt surface course) alignments, grades, elevations, and cross sections as shown on the Drawings.

**1.5 SUBMITTALS**

- A. In accordance with Section 01 33 23, SHOP DRAWINGS, PRODUCT DATA, AND SAMPLES, furnish the following:
- B. Data and Test Reports:
  - 1. Aggregate Base Course: Sources, gradation, liquid limit, plasticity index, percentage of wear, and other tests required by State Highway Department.

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2. Porous Asphalt and Asphalt Base/Surface Course: Aggregate source, gradation, soundness loss, percentage of wear, and other tests required by State Highway Department.
  3. Job-mix formula.
- C. Certifications:
1. Asphalt prime and tack coat material certificate of conformance to State Highway Department requirements.
  2. Asphalt cement certificate of conformance to State Highway Department requirements.
  3. Job-mix certification - Submit plant mix certification that mix equals or exceeds the State Highway Specification.
- D. One copy of State Highway Department Specifications (Latest Version).
- E. Provide MSDS (Material Safety Data Sheets) for all chemicals used on ground.

#### 1.6 APPLICABLE PUBLICATIONS

- A. The publications listed below form a part of this specification to the extent referenced. The publications are referenced in the text by the basic designation only.
- B. American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO):
- HM29M.....Standard Specifications for Transportation  
Materials and Methods of Sampling and Testing,  
29th Edition and AASHTO Provisional Standards,  
2009 Edition
- MP1.....Specification for Performance Graded Asphalt
- T 283.....Standard Method of Test for Resistance of  
Compacted Hot Mix Asphalt (HMA) to Moisture-  
Induced Damage
- C. American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM):
- C29-07.....Standard Test Method for Bulk Density ("Unit  
Weight") and Voids in Aggregate
- C977-03.....Standard Specification for Quicklime and  
Hydrated Lime for Soil Stabilization
- D3786.....Standard Test Method for Bursting Strength of  
Textile Fabrics-Diaphragm Bursting Strength  
Tester Method
- D4355-07.....Standard Test Method for Deterioration of  
Geotextiles by Exposure to Light, Moisture and  
Heat in a Xenon Arc Type Apparatus
- D4632-08.....Standard Test Method for Grab Breaking Load and  
Elongation of Geotextiles

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D6390-05.....Standard Test Method for Determination of  
Draindown Characteristics in Uncompacted Asphalt  
Mixtures

D. National Asphalt Paving Association (NAPA):

131 (2003).....Design, Construction, and Maintenance Guide for  
Porous Asphalt Pavements, Information Series

## **PART 2 - PRODUCTS**

### **2.1 GENERAL**

A. Aggregate base and asphalt concrete materials shall conform to the requirements of the following and other appropriate sections of the latest version of the State Highway Material Specifications, including amendments, addenda and errata. Where the term "Engineer" or "Commission" is referenced in the State Highway Specifications, it shall mean the VA Resident Engineer or VA COTR

### **2.2 AGGREGATES ASPHALT PAVING**

- A. Provide aggregates consisting of crushed stone, gravel, sand, or other sound, durable mineral materials processed and blended, and naturally combined.
- B. Subbase aggregate (where required) maximum size: 38mm(1-1/2").
- C. Base aggregate maximum size:
1. Base course over 152mm(6") thick: 38mm(1-1/2");
  2. Other base courses: 19mm(3/4").
- D. Asphaltic base course:
1. Maximum particle size not to exceed 25.4mm(1").
  2. Where conflicts arise between this specification and the requirements in the latest version of the State Highway Specifications, the State Specifications shall control.
- E. Aggregates for asphaltic concrete paving: Provide a mixture of sand, mineral aggregate, and liquid asphalt mixed in such proportions that the percentage by weight will be within:

Sieve Sizes	Percentage Passing
19mm(3/4")	100
9.5mm(3/8")	67 to 85
6.4mm(1/4")	50 to 65
2.4mm(No. 8 mesh)	37 to 50
600µm(No. 30 mesh)	15 to 25
75µm(No. 200 mesh)	3 to 8

plus 50/60 penetration liquid asphalt at 5 percent to 6-1/2 percent of the combined dry aggregates.

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### **2.3 NON-WOVEN GEOTEXTILE FABRIC**

A. Fabric shall consist of needled nonwoven polypropylene fibers and meet the following properties:

1. Grab Tensile Strength (ASTM-D4632)  $\geq$  120 lbs.
2. Mullen Burst Strength (ASTM-D3786)  $\geq$  225 psi
3. Flow Rate (ASTM-D4491)  $\geq$  95 gal/min/ft<sup>2</sup>
4. UV Resistance after 500 hours (ASTM-D4355)  $\geq$  70%
5. Heat-set or heat-calendared fabrics are not permitted.
6. Mirafi 140N, Amoco 4547, Geotex 451, or approved equal.

### **2.4 ASPHALTS**

A. Comply with provisions of Asphalt Institute Specification SS2:

1. Asphalt cement: Penetration grade 50/60
2. Prime coat: Cut-back type, grade MC-250
3. Tack coat: Uniformly emulsified, grade SS-1H

## **PART 3 - EXECUTION**

### **3.1 GENERAL**

The Asphalt Concrete Paving equipment, weather limitations, job-mix formula, mixing, construction methods, compaction, finishing, tolerance, and protection shall conform to the requirements of the appropriate sections of the State Highway Specifications for the type of material specified.

### **3.2 MIXING ASPHALTIC CONCRETE MATERIALS**

A. Provide hot plant-mixed asphaltic concrete paving materials.

1. Temperature leaving the plant: 143 degrees C(290 degrees F) minimum, 160 degrees C(320 degrees F) maximum.
2. Temperature at time of placing: 138 degrees C(280 degrees F) minimum.

### **3.3 SUBGRADE**

- A. Shape to line and grade and compact with self-propelled rollers.
- B. All depressions that develop under rolling shall be filled with acceptable material and the area re-rolled.
- C. Soft areas shall be removed and filled with acceptable materials and the area re-rolled.
- D. Should the subgrade become rutted or displaced prior to the placing of the subbase, it shall be reworked to bring to line and grade.
- E. Proof-roll the subgrade with maximum 45 tonne (50 ton) gross weight dump truck as directed by VA Resident Engineer or VA Contracting Officer. If pumping, pushing, or other movement is observed, rework the area to provide a stable and compacted subgrade.

### **3.4 BASE COURSES**

- A. Subbase (when required)

1. Spread and compact to the thickness shown on the drawings.
2. Rolling shall begin at the sides and continue toward the center and shall continue until there is no movement ahead of the roller.
3. After completion of the subbase rolling there shall be no hauling over the subbase other than the delivery of material for the top course.

B. Base

1. Spread and compact to the thickness shown on the drawings.
2. Rolling shall begin at the sides and continue toward the center and shall continue until there is no movement ahead of the roller.
3. After completion of the base rolling there shall be no hauling over the base other than the delivery of material for the top course.

C. Thickness tolerance: Provide the compacted thicknesses shown on the Drawings within a tolerance of minus 0.0mm (0.0") to plus 12.7mm (0.5").

D. Smoothness tolerance: Provide the lines and grades shown on the Drawings within a tolerance of 5mm in 3m (3/16 inch in ten feet).

E. Moisture content: Use only the amount of moisture needed to achieve the specified compaction.

**3.5 PLACEMENT OF ASPHALTIC CONCRETE PAVING**

- A. Remove all loose materials from the compacted base.
- B. Apply the specified prime coat, and tack coat where required, and allow to dry in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations as approved by the Architect or Engineer.

C. Receipt of asphaltic concrete materials:

1. Do not accept material unless it is covered with a tarpaulin until unloaded, and unless the material has a temperature of not less than 130 degrees C (280 degrees F).
2. Do not commence placement of asphaltic concrete materials when the atmospheric temperature is below 10 degrees C (50 degrees F), not during fog, rain, or other unsuitable conditions.

D. Spreading:

1. Spread material in a manner that requires the least handling.
2. Where thickness of finished paving will be 76mm (3") or less, spread in one layer.

E. Rolling:

1. After the material has been spread to the proper depth, roll until the surface is hard, smooth, unyielding, and true to the thickness and elevations shown on the drawings.
2. Roll in at least two directions until no roller marks are visible.
3. Finished paving smoothness tolerance:
  - a. No depressions which will retain standing water.

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- b. No deviation greater than 3mm in 1.8m (1/8" in six feet).

### **3.6 PATCHING**

- A. Hot Mix Asphalt Pavement: Sawcut perimeter of patch and excavate existing pavement section to sound base. Excavate rectangular or trapezoidal patches, extending 300mm (12 inches) into adjacent sound pavement, unless otherwise indicated. Cut excavation faces vertically. Remove excavated material. Recompact existing aggregate base course to provide new subgrade.
- B. Tack Coat: Apply uniformly to vertical and horizontal surfaces abutting area to receive new hot mix asphalt paving at a rate of 0.2 to 0.7 L/sq.M. (0.05 to 0.15 gal./sq. yd.
1. Allow tack coat to cure before applying hot mix asphalt paving.
  2. Avoid smearing or staining adjoining surfaces, remove spillage and clean affected surfaces.
- C. Patching: Fill excavated pavement with hot mix asphalt base mix for full thickness of patch; while still hot compact flush with adjacent pavement surface.

### **3.9 PROTECTION**

Protect the asphaltic concrete paved areas from traffic until the sealer is set and cured and does not pick up under foot or wheeled traffic.

### **3.10 FINAL CLEAN-UP**

Remove all debris, rubbish, and excess material from the work area.

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