

**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
STATE OF GEORGIA**

Supplemental Specification

Section 400—Hot Mix Asphaltic Concrete Construction

Delete Subsection 400.3.02.C and substitute the following:

C. Equipment at Project Site

1. Cleaning Equipment

Provide sufficient hand tools and power equipment to clean the roadway surface before placing the bituminous tack coat. Use power equipment that complies with [Subsection 424.3.02.F, “Power Broom and Power Blower.”](#)

2. Pressure Distributor

To apply the bituminous tack coat, use a pressure distributor that complies with [Subsection 424.3.02.B, “Pressure Distributor.”](#)

3. Bituminous Pavers

To place hot mix asphaltic concrete, use bituminous pavers that can spread and finish courses that are:

- As wide and deep as indicated on the Plans
 - True to line, grade, and cross section
 - Smooth
 - Uniform in density and texture
- a. Continuous Line and Grade Reference Control. Furnish, place, and maintain the supports, wires, devices, and materials required to provide continuous line and grade reference control to the automatic paver control system.
- b. Automatic Screed Control System. Equip the bituminous pavers with an automatic screed control system actuated from sensor-directed mechanisms or devices that will maintain the paver screed at a pre-determined transverse slope and elevation to obtain the required surface.
- c. Transverse Slope Controller. Use a transverse slope controller capable of maintaining the screed at the desired slope within ± 0.1 percent. Do not use continuous paving set-ups that result in unbalanced screed widths or off-center breaks in the main screed cross section unless approved by the Engineer.
- d. Screed Control. Equip the paver to permit the following four modes of screed control. The method used shall be approved by the Engineer.
- Automatic grade sensing and slope control
 - Automatic dual grade sensing
 - Combination automatic and manual control
 - Total manual control

Ensure that the controls are referenced with a taut string or wire set to grade, or with a ski-type device or mobile reference at least 30 ft (9 m) long when using a conventional ski. A non-contacting laser or sonar-type ski with at least four referencing mobile stations may be used with a reference at least 24 ft. (7.3 m) long. Under limited conditions, a short ski or shoe may be substituted for a long ski on the second paver operating in tandem, or when the reference plane is a newly placed adjacent lane.

Automatic screed control is required on all Projects; however, when the Engineer determines that Project conditions prohibit the use of such controls, the Engineer may waive the grade control, or slope control requirements, or both.

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- e. Paver Screed Extension. When the laydown width requires a paver screed extension, use bolt-on screed extensions to extend the screeds, or use an approved mechanical screed extension device. When the screed is extended, add auger extensions according to the paver manufacturer's recommendations.

NOTE: Do not use extendible strike-off devices instead of approved screed extensions. Only use a strike-off device in areas that would normally be luted in by hand labor.

- f. 30 - 45 Degree Wedge. When shown on/required by the plans, equip the paver to ensure a 30 degree minimum up to a 45 degree maximum wedge along the outside edge of the roadway (measured from the horizontal plane) is in place after final compaction on the final surface course. Use an approved mechanical device that will:

- Apply compactive effort to the asphalt mixture to eliminate objectionable voids as the mixture passes through the wedge device
- Produce a wedge with a uniform texture, shape, and density while automatically adjusting to varying heights encountered along the roadway shoulder.

4. Compaction Equipment

Ensure that the compaction equipment is in good mechanical condition and can compact the mixture to the required density. The compaction equipment number, type, size, operation, and condition is subject to the Engineer's approval

5. Materials Transfer Vehicle (MTV)

- a. Use a Materials Transfer Vehicle (MTV) when placing asphaltic concrete mixtures on Projects on the state route system with the following conditions:

1) When to use:

- The ADT is equal to or greater than 6000,
- The project length is equal to or greater than 3000 linear feet (915 linear meters),
- The total tonnage (megagrams) of all asphaltic concrete mixtures is greater than 2000 tons (1815 Mg).

2) Where to use:

- Mainline of the traveled way
- Collector/distributor (C/D) lanes on Interstates and limited access roadways
- Leveling courses at the Engineer's discretion

- b. Ensure the MTV and conventional paving equipment meet the following requirements:

1) MTV

- Has a truck unloading system which receives mixture from the hauling equipment and independently deliver mixtures from the hauling equipment to the paving equipment.
- Has mixture remixing capability by either a storage bin in the MTV with a minimum capacity of 14 tons (13 megagrams) of mixture and a remixing system in the bottom of MTV storage bin, or a dual pugmill system located in the paver hopper insert with two full length transversely mounted paddle mixers to continuously blend the mixture as it discharges to a conveyor system.
- Provides to the paver a homogeneous, non-segregated mixture of uniform temperature with no more than 20 °F(36 °C) difference between the highest and lowest temperatures when measured transversely across the width of the mat in a straight line at a distance of one foot to three feet from the screed while the paver is operating.

2) Conventional Paving Equipment

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- Has a paver hopper insert with a minimum capacity of 14 tons (13 Mg) installed in the hopper of conventional paving equipment when an MTV is used.
- c. If the MTV malfunctions during spreading operations, discontinue placement of hot mix asphaltic concrete after there is sufficient hot mix placed to maintain traffic in a safe manner. However, placement of hot mix asphaltic concrete in a lift not exceeding 2 in. (50 mm) may continue until any additional hot mix in transit at the time of the malfunction has been placed. Cease spreading operations thereafter until the MTV is operational.
 - d. Ensure the MTV is empty when crossing a bridge and is moved across without any other Contractor vehicles or equipment on the bridge. Move the MTV across a bridge in a travel lane and not on the shoulder. Ensure the speed of the MTV is no greater than 5 mph (8 kph) without any acceleration or deceleration while crossing a bridge.