SECTION 32 12 16 - ASPHALT PAVING

PART 1 - GENERAL

1.1 RELATED DOCUMENTS

A. Drawings and general provisions of the Contract apply to this Section.

1.2 SUMMARY

A. This Section includes the following:

1. Hot-mix asphalt paving.
2. Hot-mix asphalt patching.
3. Hot-mix asphalt overlays.
4. Pavement-marking paint.

B. Related Sections include the following:

1. Division 31 Section "Earth Moving" for aggregate subbase and base courses and aggregate pavement shoulders.
2. Division 32 Section "Paving, Joint Sealants" for joint sealants and fillers at paving terminations.

C. Definitions of Terms

1. Abbreviations

a. "Type 9.5 A or RSS 3A" - shall refer to 9.5 A Bituminous Concrete Surface Course as specified herein.

b. "Type 9.5 B or RS 9.5B" - shall refer to Type 9.5B Bituminous Concrete Surface Course as specified herein.

c. "Type I-19B" - shall refer to Type I-19S Bituminous Concrete Base Course as specified herein.

1.3 SYSTEM DESCRIPTION

A. Provide hot-mix asphalt pavement according to this materials, workmanship, and other applicable requirements of the standard classifications of the state or of authorities having jurisdiction.

1. Standard Specifications: As indicated.
2. Measurement and payment provisions and safety program submittals included in standard specifications do not apply to this Section.

1.4 SUBMITTALS

A. Product Data: For each product specified. Include technical data and tested physical and performance properties.

B. Job-Mix Designs: Certificates, by authorities having jurisdiction or approval of each job mix proposed for the Work.

1. Job-Mix Designs: For each job mix proposed for the Work.

D. Material Test Reports: Indicate and interpret test results for compliance of materials with requirements indicated.

E. Material Certificates: Certificates signed by manufacturers certifying that each material complies with requirements.

1.5 QUALITY ASSURANCE

A. Installer Qualifications: Engage an experienced installer who has completed hot-mix asphalt paving similar in material, design, and extent to that indicated for this Project and with a record of successful in-service performance.

B. Manufacturer Qualifications: Engage a firm experienced in manufacturing hot-mix asphalt mixtures so that indicated for this Project and with a record of successful in-service performance.

1. Asphalt Plant Certification

a. Plants used for the preparation of bituminous mixtures shall conform to all requirements of NCDOT Standard Specifications for Roads and Structures (SSRS) Subsection 610-3(B). In addition, batch-mixing plants shall also conform to Subsection 610-3(C); continuous mixing plants shall also conform to Subsection 610-3(D); and drum mixing plants shall also conform to Subsection 610-3(E).

b. All asphalt plants shall be certified by the NC Department of Transportation for preparation of bituminous concrete pavement mixes as specified herein.

C. Testing Agency Qualifications: Demonstrate to Architect's satisfaction, based on Architect's evaluation of criteria conforming to ASTM D 3666, that the independent testing agency has the experience and capability to satisfactorily conduct the testing indicated without delaying the Work.

D. Regulatory Requirements: Conform to applicable standards of authorities having jurisdiction for asphalt paving work on public property.

E. Asphalt-Paving Publications: Comply with APA "The Asphalt Handbook," except where more stringent requirements are indicated.

1.6 DELIVERY, STORAGE, AND HANDLING

A. Deliver pavement-marking materials to Project site in original packages with seals unbroken and bearing manufacturer's labels containing brand name and type of material, date of manufacture and directions for storage.

B. Store pavement-marking materials in a clean, dry, protected location and within temperature range required by manufacturer. Protect stored materials from direct sunlight.

C. Transportation of bituminous mixtures from the mixing plant to the site shall be in trucks having tight, clean, smooth, lightly oiled beds. The Engineer may require each load to be covered with canvas or other suitable material at night also to protect the mix from the weather and prevent the loss of heat. Deliveries shall be made such that spreading and rolling of all mixtures prepared during a day's run can be completed during daylight, unless artificial light satisfactory to the Engineer is provided. The mixture shall be delivered to the area to be paved in such a manner that the temperature at the time of dumping into the spreader will not be less than hereinafter specified.

D. Temperature Control of Bituminous Mixtures

1. The bituminous mixtures when delivered to the paving machine at the job site shall have a minimum temperature of two hundred and twenty-five (225) degrees F, and shall not exceed at any time a maximum temperature of three hundred and fifty (350) degrees F.

2. The temperature of the delivered mixture shall not vary from the temperature set at the plant by more than thirty (30) degrees F.

1.7 PROJECT CONDITIONS

A. Environmental Limitations: Do not apply asphalt materials if substrate is not or excessively damp or if the following conditions are not met:

1. Asphalt Base Course: Minimum surface temperature of 60 deg F (4 deg C) and rising at time of placement.

2. Asphalt Surface Course: Minimum surface temperature of 60 deg F (13 deg C) at time of placement.

B. Pavement-Marking Paint: Proceed with pavement marking only on clean, dry surfaces and at a minimum ambient or surface temperature of 40 deg F (4 deg C) for oil-based materials, 50 deg F (10 deg C) for water-based materials, and not exceeding 95 deg F (35 deg C).

PART 2 - PRODUCTS

2.1 MATERIALS

A. Pavement Mixes

1. Type 9.5 B and 9.5C Bituminous Concrete Surface Courses

a. Type 9.5B and Type 9.5C Bituminous Concrete Surface Courses shall consist of a mixture of coarse and fine aggregates, asphalt cement, mineral filler and other additives as prescribed in and manufactured in accordance with Section 645 of the NCDOT SSRS.

2. Type I-19B and I-19C Bituminous Concrete Binder Courses

a. Type I-19B and I-19C Bituminous Concrete Binder Courses shall consist of a mixture of coarse and fine aggregates, asphalt cement, mineral filler and other additives as prescribed in and manufactured in accordance with Section 645 of the NCDOT SSRS.

2.2 EQUIPMENT

A. Pavers

1. Paver shall be a self-contained, self-propelled paver specifically designed for uniform placement of bituminous mixtures with fully activated screed plates. The screed plate shall be of adjustable length to spread and finish the full uniform travel lane width being placed and also equipped to be pre-heated for the full length of the screed when necessary.

B. Self-Propelled Tandem Steel Wheeled Roller

1. Tandem steel wheeled rollers shall be self-propelled, weigh not less than ten (10) tons or not more, and have a minimum weight of two hundred (200) pounds per inch width of wheel. The wheels shall be equipped with adjustable scrapers and sprayers.

C. Self-Propelled Pneumatic Tired Roller

1. Pneumatic tired rollers shall be self-propelled, weighing not less than eight (8) tons or not more than ten (10) tons, and have a minimum weight of two hundred (200) pounds per inch width of wheel. The rollers shall be equipped with adjustable scrapers and sprayers.

2.3 AUXILIARY MATERIALS

A. Herbicide: Commercial chemical for weed control. Provide granular, liquid, or wettable powder form.

1. The herbicide to be used shall be an approved concentrate, properly labeled and registered with the US Dept. of Agriculture, the NC Dept. of Agriculture, and the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). Use of herbicides shall be limited to the roadway subgrade and stone base. Where areas containing the use of herbicides shall be approved by the Engineer prior to use.

B. Pavement-Marking Paint: Formulate paint for use with equipment for applying paint at the manufacturer's recommended spreading rate to provide a minimum wet film thickness of 15 mils. Provide paint that is ready mixed, with pigment uniformly dispersed and free from lumps and skins. Paint shall not bleed when applied to bituminous surfaces.

1. Color: White - SCDOT color 17886.

2. Color: Yellow - SCDOT color 13538.

C. Pavement-Marking Paint: Provide paint for right-of-way: Thermo-plastic, comply with SCDOT Standards Section 1205.

1. Color: White - SCDOT color 17886.

2. Color: Yellow - SCDOT color 13538.

2.4 MIXES

A. Hot-Mix Asphalt: Provide dense, hot-laid, hot-mix asphalt plant mixes approved by authorities having jurisdiction, designed according to procedures in APA "Mix Design Methods for Asphalt Concrete and Other Hot-Mix Types" and complying with the following requirements:

1. Provide mixes with a history of satisfactory performance in geographical area where Project is located.

2. Binder: NCDOT Type I-19B and I-19C complying with Section 640.

3. Surface Course: NCDOT Type 9.5B and 9.5C complying with Section 645.

PART 3 - EXECUTION

3.1 EXAMINATION

A. Verify that subgrade is dry and in suitable condition to support paving and imposed loads.

B. Proof-roll the surface of the subgrade in the presence of the Engineer. Use pneumatic-tired rolling units of uniform weight, inflated to the manufacturer's recommended pressure. Limit the number of passes to that required to identify areas requiring remediation.

C. Proceed with paving only after unsatisfactory conditions have been corrected.

3.2 PREPARATION

A. Tack Coat: Clean and paint all contact surfaces of curbs, gutters, manholes, and similar vertical surfaces with a thin, uniform coat of asphalt material at the rate of 0.05 to 0.15 gal./sq. yd. (0.23 to 0.68 L/sq. m) of surface area. Allow to cure until tacky.

B. Herbicide Treatment: Apply herbicide according to manufacturer's recommended rates and weather application instructions. Apply so dry, prepared subgrade or surface of compacted aggregate base before applying paving materials.

1. Mix herbicide with granular soil when premixed is not specified.

C. Protect adjacent structures from paving operations. Cover valve pits and similar openings before paving operations. Do not pave over fire hydrants, valves, or manholes; temporarily remove and reset to finish grade.

3.3 PLACING ASPHALT PAVING

A. Machine place hot-mix asphalt mix on prepared surface, spread uniformly, and strike off. Place asphalt mix by hand to areas inaccessible to equipment in a manner that prevents segregation of mix. Place each course to required grade, cross section, and thickness when compacted.

1. Place bituminous asphalt base course in number of lifts and thicknesses indicated.

2. Place bituminous asphalt surface course in single lift.

3. Spread mix at minimum temperature of 250 deg F (121 deg C).

4. Begin applying mix along centerline of crown for crowned sections and on high side of one-way slopes, unless otherwise indicated.

5. Regulate paver machine speed to obtain smooth, continuous surface free of pulls and tears in asphalt-paving mat.

B. Place paving in consecutive strips not less than 10 feet (3 m) wide, except where infill edge strips of lesser width are required.

1. After first strip has been placed and rolled, place succeeding strips and rerolled rolling to overlap previous strips. Complete asphalt base course for a section before placing asphalt surface course.

C. Promptly correct surface irregularities in paving course behind paver. Use suitable hand tools to remove excess material forming high spots. Fill depressions with hot-mix asphalt to prevent segregation of mix; use suitable hand tools to smooth surface.

3.4 JOINTS

A. Construct joints to ensure continuous bond between adjoining paving courses. Construct joints free of depressions with same texture and consistency as other sections of course. Construct transverse joints at right angles to the centerline, unless otherwise indicated. Use straightedge to check alignment of joints as they are constructed.

1. Clean contact surfaces and apply tack coat.

2. Offset longitudinal joints in successive courses a minimum of 6 inches (150 mm).

3. Offset transverse joints in successive courses a minimum of 24 inches (600 mm).

4. Construct transverse joints by bulkhead method or sawed vertical face method as described in AI's "The Asphalt Handbook."

5. Compact joints as soon as hot-mix asphalt will bear roller weight without excessive displacement.

6. Compact asphalt at joints to a density within 2 percent of specified course density.

3.5 COMPACTION

A. General: Begin compaction as soon as placed hot-mix paving will bear roller weight without excessive displacement. Compact hot-mix paving with hot, hand tampers or vibratory-plate compactors in areas inaccessible to rollers.

1. Complete compaction before mix temperature cools to 185 deg F (85 deg C).

B. Breakdown Rolling: Accomplish breakdown or initial rolling immediately after rolling joints and outside edge. Examine surface immediately after breakdown rolling for indicated crowns, grades, and smoothness. Repair surfaces by loosening displaced material, filling with hot-mix asphalt, and rerolling to required elevations.

C. Intermediate Rolling: Begin intermediate rolling immediately after breakdown rolling, while hot-mix asphalt is still hot enough to achieve specified density. Continue rolling until hot-mix asphalt course has been uniformly compacted to the following density:

1. Average Density: 96 percent of reference laboratory density according to ASTM D 1559, but not less than 94 percent nor greater than 100 percent.

2. Average Density: 92 percent of reference maximum theoretical density according to ASTM D 2041, but not less than 90 percent nor greater than 96 percent.

D. Finish Rolling: Finish roll paved sections to remove roller marks while hot-mix asphalt is still warm.

E. Edge Shaping: While surface is being compacted and finished, trim edges of pavement to proper alignment. Bevel edges while still hot, with heels of rake or smooth trim. Compact thoroughly using tamper or other satisfactory method.

F. Repairs: Remove paved areas that are defective or contaminated with foreign materials. Remove paving areas over-excavated and replace with fresh, hot-mix asphalt. Compact by rolling to specified density and surface smoothness.

G. Protection: After final rolling, do not permit vehicular traffic on pavement until it has cooled and hardened.

H. Erect barricades to protect paving from traffic until mixture has cooled enough not to become scarred.

3.6 INSTALLATION TOLERANCES

A. Thickness: Compact each course to produce the thickness indicated within the following tolerances:

1. Base Course: Plus or minus 1/2 inch (13 mm).

2. Surface Course: Plus 1/4 inch (6 mm), no minus.

B. Surface Smoothness: Compact each course to produce a surface smoothness within the following tolerances as determined by using a 10-foot (3-m) straightedge applied transversely or longitudinally to paved areas:

1. Base Course: 1/4 inch (6 mm).

2. Surface Course: 1/16 inch.

3. Crowned Sections: Test with crowned template centered and at right angles to crown. Maximum allowable variance from template is 1/4 inch (6 mm).

3.8 PAVEMENT MARKING

A. Do not apply pavement-marking paint until layout, colors, and placement have been verified with Architect.

B. Allow paving to cure for 30 days before starting pavement marking.

C. Sweep and clean surface to eliminate loose material and dust.

D. Apply paint with mechanical equipment to produce pavement markings of dimensions indicated, with uniform, straight edges. Apply at manufacturer's recommended rates to provide a minimum wet film thickness of 15 mils.

3.10 FIELD QUALITY CONTROL

A. Testing Agency: Owner will engage a qualified independent testing agency to perform field inspections and tests and to prepare test reports.

1. Testing agency will conduct and interpret tests and state in each report whether tested Work complies with or deviates from specified requirements.

B. Additional testing, at Contractor's expense, will be performed to determine compliance of corrected Work with specified requirements.

C. Thickness: In place compacted thickness of hot-mix asphalt courses will be determined according to ASTM D 3549.

D. Surface Checks During Paving:

1. The finish surface of the pavement shall be smooth and true to the established crown and grade. Any defective places shall be corrected after the first roller pass.

2. When a deficiency is located, sufficient checks in the area immediately surrounding shall be made to determine exact limits.

3. Depressions shall be corrected by loosening the material with rakes to a depth sufficient (1/2" min.) for handling or fills material. Hot material shall be added, rolled smooth, and compacted.

4. Where the irregularity is in the form of a hump, or other protrusion, the protrusion shall be loosened to a depth of at least one-half (1/2") below the intended finish grade. The area would be filled with hot material, rolled smooth, and compacted.

E. Pavement samples will be taken as specified in article 3.11 of this Section and evaluated by the Engineer for conformance with Plans and these Specifications.

F. Surface of pavement shall be checked for conformance to crown and grade and for presence of irregularities greater than allowable as specified in article 3.11 of this Section.

G. In-Place Density: Samples of uncompacted paving mixtures and compacted pavement will be secured by testing agency according to ASTM D 979.

1. Reference laboratory density will be determined by averaging results from 4 samples of hot-mix asphalt paving mixture delivered daily to site, prepared according to ASTM D 1559, and compacted according to job-mix specifications.

H. Remove and replace or install additional hot-mix asphalt where test results or measurements indicate that it does not comply with specified requirements.

I. Sampling and Testing

SECTION 32 13 13 - CONCRETE PAVING

PART 1 - GENERAL

1.1 RELATED DOCUMENTS

A. Drawings and general provisions of the Contract apply to this Section.

1.2 SUMMARY

A. This Section includes exterior portland cement concrete for the following:

1. Pavement.
2. Curbs and gutters.
3. Walkways.

B. Related Sections: The following Sections contain requirements that relate to this Section:

1. Division 31 Section "Earth Moving" for subgrade preparation, aggregate base and subbase course.
2. Division 9 Section "Cast-In-Place Concrete" for general requirements for formwork, steel reinforcement, concrete materials, mixture design, placement procedures, and finishes of concrete.

1.3 SUBMITTALS

A. General: Submit the following in accordance with Conditions of the Contract and Division 1 Specification Sections.

B. Product data for proprietary materials and items, including reinforcement and forming accessories, admixtures, curing compounds, dry-shake finish materials, and others as requested by Architect.

C. Design mixes for each concrete mix. Include revised mix proportions when characteristics of materials or other conditions change. Submit design mixes for review and approval by Architect before concrete placement. Identify each mix with the following:

1. Mix number.
2. Compressive strength.
3. Maximum aggregate size.
4. Amount, type, and brand of cementitious materials.
5. Amount and brand of admixtures.
6. Amount of water, including allowance for water in admixtures and ice.
7. Slump.
8. Air content.

D. Laboratory test reports for concrete materials and mix design tests.

E. Material certificates: For each of the following, signed by manufacturer and Contractor certifying that each material complies with, or exceeds, specified requirements. Provide certificates from admixture manufacturer that chloride content complies with requirements.

1.4 QUALITY ASSURANCE

A. Comply with provisions of the following standards, except where more stringent requirements are indicated:

1. American Concrete Institute (ACI) 301 "Specifications for Structural Concrete for Buildings."
2. ACI 318, "Building Code Requirements for Reinforced Concrete"
3. Concrete Reinforcing Steel Institute (CRSI) "Manual of Standard Practice."

B. Concrete Manufacturer Qualifications: Manufacturer of ready-mixed concrete products complying with ASTM C 94 requirements for production facilities and equipment.

C. Concrete Testing Service: Engage a qualified independent testing agency to perform materials evaluation tests and to design concrete mixes.

1.5 PROJECT CONDITIONS

A. Traffic Control: Maintain access to existing walkways, curbs, and roads. Do not close traffic as required for other construction operations.

PART 2 - PRODUCTS

2.1 FORMS

A. Form Materials: Provide materials with smooth, true surface free from defects that will impair the quality and appearance of formed concrete surfaces, including those exposed to view. Use plywood, metal, or other approved panel-type materials to provide continuous, straight, smooth, exposed surfaces.

1. Use plywood, metal, or other approved panel-type materials to provide continuous, straight, smooth, exposed surfaces.

B. Form Release Agent: Provide commercial formulation form release agent with a maximum of 350 grams per liter volatile organic compounds (VOC's) that will not bond with, stain, or adversely affect concrete surfaces and will not impair subsequent treatments of concrete surfaces.

2.2 REINFORCING MATERIALS

A. Reinforcing Bars and Tie Bars: ASTM A 615, Grade 60, deformed.

B. Plain, Cold-Drawn Steel Wire: ASTM A 82.

C. Welded Steel Wire Fabric: ASTM A 185.

1. Furnish in flat sheets, not rolls, unless otherwise acceptable to Architect.

D. Supports for Reinforcement: Chairs, spacers, bolsters, bar supports and other devices for spacing, supporting, and fastening reinforcing bars, welded wire fabric, and dowels in place. Use wire bar-type supports complying with CRSI specifications.

1. Use supports with sand plates or horizontal runners where base material will not support chair legs.

2.3 CONCRETE MATERIALS

A. Portland Cement: ASTM C 150, Type I.

1. Use one brand of cement throughout Project unless otherwise acceptable to Architect.

B. Fly Ash: ASTM C 618, Type F.

C. Normal-Weight Aggregates: ASTM C 33, Class 4, and as follows. Provide aggregates from a single source.

1. Maximum Aggregate Size: 1-1/2 inches.

2. Do not use fine or coarse aggregates that contain substances that cause spalling.

3. Local aggregates not complying with ASTM C 33 that have been shown to produce concrete of adequate strength and durability by special tests or actual service may be used when acceptable to Architect.

D. Water: Potable.

E. Fiber Reinforcement: Synthetic fibers engineered and designed for secondary reinforcement of concrete slabs, complying with ASTM C 1116, Type III.

2.4 ADMIXTURES

A. Provide concrete admixtures that contain not more than 0.1 percent chloride ions.

B. Air-Entraining Admixture: ASTM C 260, certified by manufacturer to be compatible with other required admixtures.

C. Water-Reducing Admixture: ASTM C 494, Type A.

D. High-Range Water-Reducing Admixture: ASTM C 494, Type F or Type G.

E. Water-Reducing and Accelerating Admixture: ASTM C 494, Type E.

F. Water-Reducing and Retarding Admixture: ASTM C 494, Type D.

2.5 CURING MATERIALS

A. Absorptive Cover: Burlap cloth made from jute or kenaf, weighing approximately 9 oz. per sq. yd., complying with AASHTO M 182, Class 2.

B. Moisture-Retaining Cover: One of the following, complying with ASTM C 171:

1. Waterproof paper.
2. Polyethylene film.
3. White burlap-polyethylene sheet.

C. Clear Solvent-Borne Liquid Membrane-Forming Curing Compound: ASTM C 309, Type I, Class A or B, wax free.

D. Clear Waterborne Membrane-Forming Curing Compound: ASTM C 309, Type I, Class B.

1. Provide material that has a maximum volatile organic compound (VOC) rating of 350 g/L.

E. Evaporation Control: Monomolecular film-forming compound applied to exposed concrete slab surfaces for temporary protection from rapid moisture loss.

2.6 RELATED MATERIALS

A. Bonded Layered-Silt Mixture: Combination of bonded layered silt and sand/gravel/crushed stone mixture with AASHTO M-253.

B. Traffic Paint: Alkyd-resin ready-mixed, complying with ASTM D 36.

1. Color: White.

C. Bonding Agent: Acrylic or chlorine butadiene.

2.7 CONCRETE MIX

A. Prepare design mixes for each type and strength of concrete by either laboratory trial batch or field experience methods as specified in ACI 301 (for the trial batch method, use a qualified independent testing agency for preparing and reporting proposed mix designs).

1. Do not use the Owner's field quality-control testing agency as the independent testing agency.

2. Limit use of fly ash to 25 percent of cement content by weight.

B. Proportion mixes according to ACI 211.1 and ACI 301 to provide normal-weight concrete with the following properties:

1. Compressive Strength (28-Day): 3000 psi, unless noted otherwise.
2. Maximum Water-Cement Ratio at Point of Placement: 0.50.
3. Slump Limit at Point of Placement: 5 inches.

a. Slump limit for concrete containing high-range water-reducing admixture (superplasticizer): Not more than 8 inches after adding admixture to site-verified 2- to 3-inch slump concrete.

C. Add set-accelerating admixture at manufacturer's prescribed rate to result in concrete at point of placement having an air content as follows with a tolerance of plus or minus 1-1/2 percent:

1. Air Content: 6.0 percent for 1 inch maximum aggregate.

D. Fiber Reinforcement: Add to mix at rate of 1.5 lb/cu. yd. (0.9 kg/cu. m), unless otherwise indicated.

E. Admixtures: Use admixtures according to manufacturer's recommended rates and limitations.

F. Adjustment to Concrete Mixes: Mix design adjustments may be requested by Contractor when characteristics of materials, project conditions, weather, test results, or other circumstances warrant.

2.8 CONCRETE MIXING

A. Ready-Mixed Concrete: Comply with requirements of ASTM C 94.

1. When air temperature is between 85 deg F (30 deg C) and 90 deg F (32 deg C), reduce mixing and delivery time from 1-1/2 hours to 75 minutes; when air temperature is above 90 deg F (32 deg C), reduce mixing and delivery time to 60 minutes.

PART 3 - EXECUTION

3.1 FORM PREPARATION

A. Construct forms to the required sizes and shapes, within allowable tolerances. Align joints and corners and support to maintain position and shape during concrete placement and finishing operations. Maintain tolerances required by ACI 301.

B. Edge forms and intersections of exposed concrete slabs with 3/4-inch (19-mm) chamfer strips, unless otherwise indicated.

C. Clean forms and adjacent surfaces to receive concrete. Remove chips, wood, sawdust, dirt, and other debris just before placing concrete.

D. Retain first subgrade in dry and in undisturbed condition to support paving and imposed loads.

E. Compact subgrade to a density of 95 percent of maximum dry unit weight according to ASTM D 698.

F. Uniformly moisten subgrade to a depth of 12 inches (300 mm) below bottom of concrete slabs-on-ground.

G. Remove loose material from compacted subgrade surface immediately before placing concrete.

3.2 EDGE FORM AND SCREED CONSTRUCTION

A. Set forms to true line and grade. Check and adjust formwork immediately before placing concrete. Make sure that forms remain stable during placing and finishing operations.

B. Check completed formwork and screeds for grade and alignment to following tolerances:

1. Top of Forms: Not more than 1/8 inch in 10 feet.
2. Vertical Face on Longitudinal Axis: Not more than 1/4 inch in 10 feet.

C. Clean forms after each use and coat with form release agent as required to ensure separation from concrete without damage.

3.3 PLACING REINFORCEMENT

A. General: Comply with Concrete Reinforcing Steel Institute's recommended practice for "Placing Reinforcing Bars" for placing and supporting reinforcement.

B. Clean reinforcement of loose rust and mill scale, earth, ice, or other bond-reducing materials.

C. Arrange, space, and securely tie bars and bar supports to hold reinforcement in position during concrete placement. Maintain minimum cover to reinforcement.

D. Install welded wire fabric in lengths as long as practicable. Lap adjoining pieces at least one full mesh and lace splices with wire. Offset laps of adjoining widths to prevent continuous laps in either direction.

3.4 JOINTS

A. General: Construct joints true to line with faces perpendicular to surface plane of concrete. Construct transverse joints at right angles to the centerline, unless indicated otherwise.

1. When joining existing paving, place transverse joints to align with previously placed joints, unless indicated otherwise.

B. Contraction Joints: Provide weakened-plane contraction joints, sectioning concrete into areas as shown on Drawings. Construct contraction joints for a depth equal to at least 1/4 of the concrete thickness, as follows:

1. Tooled Joints: Form contraction joints in fresh concrete by grooving and finishing each edge of joint with a radiused jointer tool.

C. Construction Joints: Set construction joints at side and end terminations of paving and at locations where paving operations are stopped for more than 1/2 hour, unless paving terminates at isolation joints.

1. Provide preformed galvanized steel or plastic keyway-section forms or bulkhead forms with keys, unless indicated otherwise. Embed keys at least 1-1/2 inches into concrete.

2. Continuous reinforcement across construction joints unless indicated otherwise. Do not continue reinforcement through joints of slip-forming unless indicated.

3. Provide tie bars at joints of paving strips where indicated.

4. Use bonding agent at construction joints where concrete placed will be joined with fresh concrete.

D. Installation of joint fillers and sealants is specified in Division 32 Section "Paving Joint Sealants."

E. Install dowel bars and support assemblies at joints where indicated. Lubricate or asphalt-coat one half of dowel length to prevent concrete bonding to one side of joint.

3.5 CONCRETE PLACEMENT

A. Inspection: Before placing concrete, inspect and complete formwork installation, reinforcing steel, and items to be embedded or cast in. Notify other trades to permit installation of their work.

B. Remove snow, ice, or frost from subbase surfaces and reinforcement before placing concrete. Do not place concrete on surfaces that are frozen.

C. Moisten subbase to provide a uniform dampened condition at the time concrete is placed. Do not place concrete around manholes or other structures until they are at the required finish elevation and compacted.

D. Comply with requirements and with ACI 304R for measuring, mixing, transporting, and placing concrete.

E. Deposit and spread concrete in a continuous operation between transverse joints. Do not push or drag concrete into place or use vibrators to move concrete into place.

F. Consolidate concrete by mechanical vibrating equipment supplemented by hand-spading, rodding, or tamping. Use equipment and procedures to consolidate concrete complying with ACI 309R.

1. Consolidate concrete along face of forms and adjacent to transverse joints with an internal vibrator. Keep vibrator away from joint assemblies, reinforcement, or side forms. Use only square-faced shovels for hand-spreading and consolidation. Consolidate with care to prevent dislocating reinforcing, dowels, and joint devices.

G. Slip-Form Placement: Where authorized, machine placement is used for paving, submit trial mix design and laboratory test results that meet or exceed requirements. Produce paving to required thickness, lines, grades, finish, and jointing as required for formed paving.

1. Compact subbase and prepare subgrade of sufficient width to prevent displacement of paver machine during operations.

H. Cold-Weather Placement: Comply with provisions of ACI 306R and as follows. Protect concrete work from physical damage or reduced strength that could be caused by frost, freezing actions, or low temperatures.

1. When air temperature has fallen to or is expected to fall below 40 deg F (4 deg C), uniformly heat water and aggregates before mixing to obtain a concrete mixture temperature of not less than 50 deg F (10 deg C) and not more than 80 deg F (27 deg C) at point of placement.

2. Do not use frozen materials or materials containing ice or snow.

3. Do not use calcium chloride, salt, or other materials containing antifreeze agents or chemical accelerators unless otherwise accepted in mix designs.

I. Hot-Weather Placement: Place concrete complying with ACI 305R and as specified when hot weather conditions exist.

1. Cool ingredients before mixing to maintain concrete temperature at time of placement below 90 deg F (32 deg C). Mixing water may be chilled or chopped ice may be used to control temperature, provided water equivalent of ice is calculated to total amount of mixing water. Using liquid nitrogen to cool concrete is Contractor's option.

2. Cover reinforcing steel with water-soaked burlap if it becomes too hot, so that steel temperature will not exceed the ambient air temperature immediately before embedding in concrete.

3. Fog spray forms, reinforcing steel, and subgrade just before placing concrete. Keep subgrade moisture uniform without standing water, soft spots, or dry areas.

3.6 CONCRETE FINISHING

A. Float Finish: Begin finishing when bleed water sheen has disappeared and the concrete surface has stiffened sufficiently to permit operations. Float surface with power-driven floats, or by hand-floating if area is small or inaccessible to power units. Finish surfaces to true planes within a tolerance of 1/4 inch as determined by a 10-foot long straightedge placed anywhere

on the surface in any direction. Cut down high spots and fill low spots. Refloat surface immediately to a uniform granular texture.

1. Medium-to-Fine Textured Broom Finish: Draw a soft bristle broom across concrete surface perpendicular to line of traffic to provide a uniform fine texture finish.

B. Final Footings: Tool edges of paving, gutters, curbs, and joints formed in fresh concrete with a jointing tool to the following radius. Repeat tooling of edges and joints after applying surface finishes. Eliminate tool marks on concrete surfaces.

1. Radius: 1/4 inch.

3.7 CONCRETE PROTECTION AND CURING

A. General: Protect freshly placed concrete from premature drying and excessive cold or hot temperatures. Comply with the recommendations of ACI 306R for cold weather protection and ACI 305R for hot weather protection during curing.

B. Evaporation Control: In hot, dry, and windy weather, protect concrete from rapid moisture loss before and during finishing operations with an evaporation control material. Apply according to manufacturer's instructions after screeding and bull floating, but before floating.

C. Begin curing after finishing concrete but not before free water has disappeared from concrete surface.

D. Curing Methods: Cure concrete by moisture curing, moisture-retaining-cover curing, curing compound, or a combination of these as follows:

1. Moisture Curing: Keep surfaces continuously moist for not less than 7 days with the following materials:

a. Water.

b. Continuous water-fog spray.

c. Absorptive cover, water saturated and kept continuously wet. Cover concrete surfaces and edges with 12-inch (or more) lap over adjacent absorptive covers.

2. Moisture-Retaining-Cover Curing: Cover concrete surfaces with moisture-retaining cover for curing concrete, placed in widest practicable widths, with sides and ends lapped at least 12 inches, and sealed by waterproof tape or adhesive. Immediately repair any holes or tears during curing period using cover material and waterproof tape.

3. Curing Compound: Apply uniformly in continuous operation by power sprayer or roller in accordance with manufacturer's directions. Recoat areas subjected to heavy rainfall within 3 hours after initial application. Maintain continuity of coating and repair damage during curing period.

3.8 TRAFFIC

A. Traffic Paint: Apply traffic paint for striping and other markings with mechanical equipment to produce uniform straight edges. Apply at manufacturer's recommended rates to provide a 15-mil minimum wet film thickness.

3.9 FIELD QUALITY CONTROL TESTING

A. Samples: Collect samples of fresh concrete to perform tests specified, according to ASTM C 172, except modified for slump to comply with ASTM C 94.

1. Slump: ASTM C 143; one test at point of placement for each compressive-strength test, but no less than one test for each day's pour of each type of concrete. Additional tests will be required when concrete consistency changes.

2. Air Content: ASTM C 231, pressure method, one test for each compressive-strength test, but no less than one test for each day's pour of each type of air-entrained concrete.

3. Concrete Temperature: ASTM C 1064; one test hourly when air temperature is 40 deg F (4 deg C) and below and when 80 deg F (27 deg C) and above, and one test for each set of compressive-strength specimens.

4. Compression Test Specimens: ASTM C 31; cast set of four standard cylinders for each compressive-strength test, unless directed otherwise. Mold and store cylinders for laboratory-cured test specimens except when field-cured test specimens are required.

5. Compressive-Strength Tests: ASTM C 39; one set for each day's pour of each concrete mixture exceeding 5 cu. yd., but no less than 5 sets of specimens for each additional 50 cu. yd. Test one specimen at 7 days, test two specimens at 28 days, and retain one specimen in reserve for later testing if required.

2. When evaluation of test results indicates that concrete does not meet specified requirements, concrete may be rejected or ordered removed and replaced at Contractor's expense, or other remedial measures may be taken as directed by Architect.

3. When tests indicate that slump, air entrainment, or strength of concrete does not meet specified requirements, additional tests shall be made on concrete as delivered and as placed, at frequency selected by Architect until concrete complies with specified requirements.

4. Where strength of field-cured cylinders is less than 85 percent of companion laboratory-cured cylinders, evaluate adequacy of curing and protection of concrete. Provide corrected procedures for protecting and curing the in-place concrete.

5. Strength level of concrete will be considered satisfactory if average of sets of three consecutive strength test results equal or exceed specified compressive strength and no individual strength test result falls below specified compressive strength by more than 500 psi.

C. Test results will be reported in writing to Architect, concrete manufacturer, and Contractor within 24 hours of completion of test. Report shall include date of placement, batch identification name and number, name of concrete testing agency, concrete type and class, location of concrete batch in structure, design compressive strength at 28 days, concrete test temperature and remarks, compressive breaking strength, and type of break for 28-day and 28-day tests.

D. Nondestructive Testing: Impact hammer, sonoscope, or other nondestructive devices may be permitted but shall not be used as the sole basis for acceptance or rejection.

E. Additional Tests: The testing agency will make additional tests of the concrete when test results indicate slump, air entrainment, concrete strengths, or other requirements have not been met, as directed by Architect. Testing agency may conduct tests to determine adequacy of concrete by cored cylinders complying with ASTM C 42, or by other methods as directed.

3.10 REPAIRS AND PROTECTION

A. Remove and replace concrete paving that is broken, damaged, or defective, or does not meet the requirements of this Section.

B. Drill test cores, where directed by Architect, when necessary to determine adequacy of areas of defective areas. Fill drilled areas with a nonshrinking preformed mortar mix with portland cement concrete bonded to paving with epoxy adhesive.

C. Protect concrete from damage. Exclude traffic from pavement for at least 14 days after placement. When construction traffic is permitted, maintain paving as clean as possible by removing surface stains and spillage of materials as they occur.

D. Maintain concrete paving free of stains, discoloration, dirt, and other foreign material. Sweep concrete paving not more than 2 days prior to date scheduled for substantial Completion inspections.

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