SECTION 32 12 16 ASPHALT CONCRETE PAVING

PART 1 - GENERAL

1.1 SCOPE OF WORK

A. This Section specifies the requirements for placing a hot laid plant mix asphalt surface course upon either an asphalt stabilized base course or a crushed limestone base course, all upon a previously prepared subgrade to the lines, grades and elevations as determined from the drawings and in accordance with these specifications.

1.2 APPLICABLE PUBLICATIONS

The following publications of the latest issues listed below, but referred to thereafter by basic designation only, form a part of this specification to the extent indicated by the references thereto:

- A. Texas Department of Transportation 2004 Standard Specifications for Construction and Maintenance of Highways, Streets and Bridges (TxDOT).
 - 1. Item 247 Flexible Base
 - 2. Item 300 Asphalts, Oils and Emulsions
 - 3. Item 302 Aggregates for Surface Treatments
 - 4. Item 310 Prime Coat
 - 5. Item 320 Equipment for Asphalt Concrete Pavement
 - 6. Item 340 Dense Graded Hot Mix Asphalt
 - 7. Item 292 Asphalt Treatment (Plant Mix)
- B. American Society for Testing and Materials Standards (ASTM)
 - 1. D 698 Moisture Density Relations of Soil Using 5.5 Pound Rammer and 12 Inch Drop.
 - 2. D 8-02 Standard Terminology Relating to Materials for Road Pavements
- C. Texas Department of Transportation Test Procedures
 - 1. TEX 207-F Determining Density of Compacted Bituminous Mixtures
 - 2. TEX 227-F Theoretical Maximum Specific Gravity of Bituminous Mixtures
 - 3. TEX 227-F Theoretical Maximum Specific Gravity of Bituminous Mixtures

1.3 RELATED WORK SPECIFIED ELSEWHERE

A. Section 32 17 23.13 Painted Pavement Markings

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- B. Section 32 17 23.33 Thermoplastic Pavement Markings
- C. Section 31 22 13 Site Grading
- D. Section 31 11 00 Clearing and Grubbing

1.4 DEFINITIONS

A. Hot-Mix Asphalt Paving Terminology: Refer to ASTM D 8 for definitions of terms.

1.5 SUBMITTALS

- A. Product Data: For each type of product indicated. Include technical data and tested physical and performance properties.
- B. Material Certificates: For each paving material, signed by manufacturers.

1.6 QUALITY ASSURANCE

- A. Manufacturer Qualifications:
- B. Manufacturer shall be a paving-mix manufacturer registered with and approved by authorities having jurisdiction or if none exists, the DOT of the state in which Project is located.

1.7 PROJECT CONDITIONS

- A. Environmental Limitations: Do not apply asphalt materials if subgrade is wet or excessively damp or if the following conditions are not met:
 - 1. Prime and Tack Coats: Minimum surface temperature of 60 deg F.
 - 2. Slurry Coat: Comply with weather limitations of ASTM D 3910.
 - 3. Asphalt Base Course: Minimum surface temperature of 40 deg F and rising at time of placement.
- B. Asphalt Surface Course: Minimum surface temperature of 60 deg F at time of placement.

PART 2 - PRODUCTS

2.1 ASPHALTIC MATERIALS

- A. Asphaltic material shall conform with the applicable requirements of TxDOT Item 300.
 - Asphalt cement shall be AC-20.
 - 2. Prime coat shall be MC-250 or as directed by the Engineer.
 - 3. Tack coat shall be CSS-1, CSS-1h, RS-1, or CRS-1 as directed by the Engineer

2.2 MINERAL AGGREGATES

A. The coarse aggregate, fine aggregate, and mineral filler shall conform to the requirements of TxDOT Item 340 article 340.2.A.1 Course Aggregate, 340.2.A.3 Fine Aggregate and 340.2.B Mineral Filler

2.3 BASE MATERIAL

- A. Acceptable base materials are as follows:
- B. Crushed limestone conforming to the following requirements:
 - 1. Sieve analysis: TYPE "A", TXDOT Item 247, Grade 2 (roadways) and Grade 3 (parking lots).
 - 2. Test results

Maximum Liquid Limit 40 Maximum Plasticity Index 12

- B. Crushed concrete conforming to the following requirements:
 - 1. Sieve analysis: TYPE "D", TXDOT Item 247, Grade 2, (roadways) and Grade 3 (parking lots).
 - 2. Test results

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2.4 SURFACE COURSE AGGREGATE Surface course aggregate material shall be composed of clean, tough and durable particles of gravel, crushed gravel or crushed stone meeting the sieve analysis requirements of TxDOT Item 302 "Type D"

2.5 EQUIPMENT

A. All equipment necessary to perform the work within the scope of this Section shall conform to requirements of Item 320, TxDOT.

PART 3 - EXECUTION

3.1 FLEXIBLE BASE

- A. Before any material is placed, the subgrade and subgrade material shall be approved by the Owner. Subgrade fill material shall conform to the specifications for select fill as outlined in Site Grading Section 31 22 13, Article *2.2.A.2,* prepared and placed to the lines and grades shown on the plans. This does not preclude using site soils if they can be made to meet these specifications. Subgrade must be compacted to 95% of standard density in accordance with Section 31 22 13 before placing any base material. Where required by these specifications or as shown on the plans, the subgrade shall be stabilized with lime or cement.
- B. Material as described in 2.3 A or B shall be spread and shaped to a thickness and cross section that will provide the required thickness and section after compaction.

- C. The base material shall be compacted as described in TxDOT ITEM 247 Flexible Base per article 247.4.C Compaction using Density Controls.
- D. Degree of finish:
 - 1. The surface of the completed pavement will be checked longitudinally and transversely for smoothness with a 10 foot straightedge.
 - 2. The surface shall not vary more than 1/4" in 16 feet. Correct by loosening, adding or removing material, reshaping and recompacting in accordance with part C above.
- E. Base course shall be allowed to cure until the moisture content is at least 2 percentage points below optimum before applying the next successive course or prime coat.

3.2 ASPHALTIC STABILIZED BASE

- A. Before any material is placed, the subgrade and subgrade material shall be approved by the Owner. Subgrade fill material shall conform to the specifications for select fill as outlined in Site Grading Section 31 22 13, Article *2.2.A.2,* prepared and placed to the lines and grades shown on the plans. This does not preclude using site soils if they can be made to meet these specifications. Subgrade must be compacted to 95% of standard density in accordance with Section 31 22 13 before placing any base material. Where required by these specifications or as shown on the plans, the subgrade shall be stabilized with lime or cement.
- B. Asphaltic stabilized base course shall be stockpiled, stored, proportioned, mixed and applied in accordance with Article 340.4 Item 340, TxDOT.
- C. A tack coat of 0.05 to 0.15 gallons per square yard of surface shall be applied on each layer of the black base course and allowed to cure before placing the succeeding course.
- D. The asphaltic stabilized base material shall be spread and shaped to a thickness and cross section that will provide the required thickness and section after compaction.
- E. Compacting and finishing shall be accomplished as follows:
 - 1. The mix shall be compacted immediately after placing.
 - 2. Initial rolling with a steel-wheeled tandem roller, steel three-wheeled roller, or a pneumatic-tired roller shall follow the paver as close as possible.
 - 3. Intermediate rolling with a pneumatic-tired roller shall follow the paver as close as possible.
 - 4. Final rolling shall eliminate marks from previous rolling.
 - 5. Initial, Intermediate and Final rolling pattern input can be obtained from Testing Laboratory in order to meet compaction and density requirements stated below.
 - 6. In areas too small for the roller, a vibrating plate compactor or a hand tamper shall be used to achieve thorough compaction.

- 7. Compaction with Density Control shall meet requirements stated in TxDOT Item 292.4.E
- 8. Target density will be determined by taking the average density of five laboratory-prepared specimens collected at random from trucks delivering the mixture to the job site. A bulk sample must be taken at least every 300 tons or at a minimum of 1 per day.
- 8. Samples will be tested in accordance with TEX 207-F, TEX 222-F and TEX 227-F and test results shall be reported the same day the tests are made.

F. Degree of finish:

- 1. The surface of the completed pavement will be checked longitudinally and transversely for smoothness with a 10 foot straightedge.
- 2. The surface shall not vary more than 1/8" in 10 feet.
- G. Base course shall be allowed to cure for a minimum of 72 hours prior to asphalt surfacing.

3.3 ASPHALT SURFACE COURSE

- A. Asphalt surface course shall be applied in accordance with Article 340.4, Item 340, TxDOT.
- B. Prior to the application of the prime coat, the prepared base shall be cleaned of all foreign or objectionable matter with power blowers, power brooms, or hand brooms as required.
- C. Prime coat shall be applied to the base at a rate ranging from 0.2 to 0.5 gallons per square yard of surface.
- D. Prime coat shall be applied in accordance with Item 310, TXDOT.
 - 1. Material shall be as specified in paragraph *2.1 ASPHALTIC MATERIALS*.
 - 2. Application temperature 100 degrees F.
- E. A tack coat of 0.05 to 0.15 gallons per square yard of surface shall be applied on each layer of the surface course and allowed to cure before placing the succeeding course.
- F. Compacting and finishing shall be accomplished as follows:
 - 1. The mix shall be compacted immediately after placing.
 - 2. Initial rolling with a steel-wheeled tandem roller, steel three-wheeled roller, or a pneumatic-tired roller shall follow the paver as close as possible.
 - 3. Intermediate rolling with a pneumatic-tired roller shall follow the paver as close as possible.
 - 4. Final rolling shall eliminate marks from previous rolling.

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- 5. In areas too small for the roller, a vibrating plate compactor or a hand tamper shall be used to achieve thorough compaction.
- 6. Compaction with Air Void Control shall meet requirements stated in TxDOT Item 340.4.H
- 7. Target density will be determined by taking the average density of five laboratory-prepared specimens collected at random from trucks delivering the mixture to the job site. A bulk sample must be taken at least every 300 tons or at a minimum of 1 per day.
- 8. Samples will be tested in accordance with TEX 207-F, TEX 222-F and TEX 227-F and test results shall be reported the same day the tests are made
- 9. The surface of the completed pavement will be checked longitudinally and transversely for smoothness with a 10 foot straightedge.
- 10. The surface shall not vary more than 1/8" in 10 feet.

END OF SECTION