
10-1.26 DRIDCE DECK METHACRYLATE RESIN TREATMENT

GENERAL

Summary

This work includes applying a high molecular weight methacrylate (HMWM) resin system with sand and absorbent material to bridge decks.

Submittals

Submit a HMWM resin system placement plan and a public safety plan under Section 5-1.02, "Plans and Working Drawings," of the Standard Specifications. The plan review time is 15 days.

The HMWM resin system placement plan must include:

1. Schedule of work and testing for each bridge
2. Description of equipment for applying HMWM resin
3. Range of gel time and final cure time for HMWM resin
4. Absorbent material to be used
5. Description of equipment for applying and removing excess sand and absorbent material
6. Procedure for removing HMWM resin from the deck, including equipment
7. Storage and handling of HMWM resin components and absorbent material
8. Disposal of excess HMWM resin and containers

The public safety plan must include:

1. A public notification letter with a list of delivery and posting addresses. The letter must state HMWM resin work locations, dates, times, and what to expect. Deliver the letter to residences and businesses within 100 feet of HMWM resin work locations and to local fire and police officials at least 7 days before starting work. Post the letter at the job site.
2. An airborne emissions monitoring plan prepared and executed by a certified industrial hygienist (CIH) certified in comprehensive practice by the American Board of Industrial Hygiene. The plan must have at least 4 monitoring points including the mixing point, application point, and point of nearest public contact. Monitor airborne emissions during HMWM resin work and submit emissions monitoring results after completing the work.
3. An action plan for protection of the public when airborne emissions levels exceed permissible levels.
4. A copy of the CIH's certification.

Submit a material safety data sheet for each HMWM resin system component and diatomaceous earth shipment before use.

Quality Control and Assurance

Submit samples of HMWM resin components 15 days before use under Section 6-3, "Testing," of the Standard Specifications. Notify the Engineer 15 days before delivery of HMWM resin components in containers over 55 gallons to the job site.

Complete a test area before starting work. Results from airborne emissions monitoring of the test area must be submitted to the Engineer before starting production work.

The test area must:

1. Be approximately 500 sq ft
2. Be placed within the project limits outside the traveled way at an approved location

3. Be constructed using the same equipment as the production work
4. Replicate field conditions for the production work
5. Demonstrate proposed means and methods meet the acceptance criteria
6. Demonstrate production work will be completed within the time allowed
7. Demonstrate suitability of the airborne emissions monitoring plan

The test area will be acceptable if:

1. The treated deck surface is tack free and non-oily
2. The sand cover adheres and resists brushing by hand
3. Excess sand and absorbent material has been removed
4. The coefficient of friction is at least 0.35 when tested under California Test 342

MATERIALS

HMWM resin system consists of a resin, promoter, and initiator. HMWM resin must be low odor and comply with the following:

HMWM Resin		
Property	Requirement	Test Method
Volatile Content	30 percent, maximum	ASTM D2369
Viscosity	25 cP, maximum, (Brookfield RVT with UL adaptor, 50 RPM at 77°F)	ASTMD2196
Specific Gravity	0.90 minimum at 77°F	ASTM D 1475
Flash Point	180°F, minimum	ASTM D3278
Vapor Pressure	1.0 mm Hg, maximum, at 77°F	ASTM D323
Tack-free Time	400 minutes, maximum, at 25°C	Specimens prepared per California Test 551
PCC Saturated Surface-Dry Bond Strength	3.5 MPa, minimum at 24 hours and 21 ± 1°C	California Test 551

Sand for abrasive sand finish must:

1. Be commercial quality dry blast sand
2. Have at least 95 percent pass the No. 8 sieve and at least 95 percent retained on the No. 20 sieve when tested under California Test 205

Absorbent material must be diatomaceous earth, abrasive blast dust, or substitute recommended by the HMWM resin supplier and approved by the Engineer.

CONSTRUCTION

HMWM resin system applied by machine must be:

1. Combined in volumetric streams of promoted resin to initiated resin by static in-line mixers
2. Applied without atomization

HMWM resin system may be applied manually. Limit the quantity of resin mixed for manual application to 5 gallons at a time.

Prepare the deck under "Clean Bridge Deck," "Remove Unsound Concrete," and "Rapid Setting Concrete Patches" of these special provisions.

The deck must be dry before applying HMWM resin. The concrete surface must be at least 50 degrees F and at most 100 degrees F. Relative humidity must be expected to be at most 85 percent during the work shift.

Thoroughly mix all components of HMWM resin. Apply HMWM resin to the deck surface within 5 minutes of mixing at approximately 90 sq ft per gallon. The Engineer determines the exact application rate. The resin gel time must be between 40 and 90 minutes. HMWM resin that thickens during application is rejected.

Spread the HMWM resin uniformly. Completely cover surfaces to be treated and fill all cracks. Redistribute excess resin using squeegees or brooms within 10 minutes of application. For textured or grooved deck surfaces, excess resin must be removed from the texture indentations.

Apply the abrasive sand finish of at least 2 lbs per sq yd or until saturation as determined by the Engineer no sooner than 20 minutes after applying resin. Apply absorbent material before opening lane to traffic. Remove excess sand and absorbent material by vacuuming or power sweeping.

Traffic or equipment will be allowed on the overlay after the Engineer has determined:

1. The treated deck surface is tack free and non-oily
2. The sand cover adheres and resists brushing by hand
3. Excess sand and absorbent material has been removed
4. No material will be tracked beyond limits of treatment by traffic

Remove the HMWM resin from the deck surface if the Engineer determines (1) the above listed conditions have not been met and (2) the allowable lane closure time will be exceeded.

The Engineer performs California Test 342 on treated deck surfaces. The Engineer provides at least a 15-day notice for the Contractor to provide traffic control for each bridge location. The coefficient of friction of the treated deck must be at least 0.35.

MEASUREMENT AND PAYMENT

Bridge deck methacrylate resin treatment will be measured by the square foot based on the dimensions shown on the plans and will be paid for as treat bridge deck. Furnish bridge deck treatment material will be measured by the gallon of mixed HMWM resin actually placed and will be paid for as furnish bridge deck treatment material. No payment will be made for materials wasted or not incorporated in the work.

The contract price paid per square foot for treat bridge deck shall include full compensation for furnishing all labor, materials, tools, equipment, and incidentals, and for doing all the work involved in preparing and applying bridge deck HMWM resin treatment, including sand and absorbent material, as shown on the plans, as specified in the Standard Specifications and these special provisions, and as directed by the Engineer.

The contract price paid per gallon for furnish bridge deck treatment material shall include full compensation for furnishing all labor, materials, tools, equipment, and incidentals necessary to furnish the bridge deck treatment material to the site of the work ready for application, as specified in the Standard Specifications and these special provisions and as directed by the Engineer.

Public safety plan will be paid for on the basis of a lump sum price.

The contract lump sum price paid for public safety plan shall include full compensation for furnishing all labor, materials, tools, equipment, and incidentals, including the public action plan and airborne emissions monitoring work performed by the CIH, notification of the public, and reporting test results, complete in place, as shown on the plans, as specified in the Standard Specifications and these special provisions, and as directed by the Engineer.

Full compensation for providing traffic control for the Engineer to perform inspections and testing shall be considered as included in the contract prices paid for the items of work involving bridge deck methacrylate resin treatment and no additional compensation will be allowed therefor.