

 Office of Structures <i>Guidelines and Procedures</i> <i>Memorandum</i>	DESIGN
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Selecting Superstructure Type	Approval: 

Generally designers should try to develop superstructures for bridge over water and railroads using concrete as the material for the main supporting members and steel for bridges over highways. Weathering steel should be considered when using structural steel to span over an area where future cleaning and painting operations would be difficult to construct.

This directive applies to all projects on the MDOT State Highway Administration system. Projects prepared for other municipalities, etc. and reviewed by this Office shall be evaluated and commented on, with the above in mind, however, the desires of the owners shall be given prime consideration.

Refer also to the MDOT Policy Manual located at <https://policymanual.mdot.maryland.gov> under the following - Practical Design Implementation, Bridge, Superstructure Material Selection