
NEW AND REVISED SPECIFICATIONS

TO: ALL USERS OF JULY 2026 STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS
FROM: *for* DEPUTY CHIEF ENGINEER SUSHMITA MITRA, P.E. *By: Wes Moore*
SUBJECT: DISTRIBUTION OF NEW AND REVISED SPECIFICATIONS
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RESPONSE
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PURPOSE

To issue revised specifications documents and new Special Provisions Inserts (SPIs) to the July 2026 Maryland Department of Transportation State Highway Administration (SHA) Standard Specifications for Construction and Materials. These updates are listed below.

SUMMARY

The latest versions of our revised specifications documents and new SPIs, dated September 22, 2026, are located on the SHA Internet website at <https://www.roads.maryland.gov/mdotsha/pages/sscm.aspx?PageId=853&lid=SSP>, on the SHA Project Development Hub, and on the Invitation for Bids System managed by SHA. All construction contracts advertising on or after October 06, 2026, must include these revised specifications.

Advertised construction contracts that require an addendum for some other reason should include these revised specifications, if applicable.

This package includes the latest revision of the Contract Provision (CP) - Domestic Materials Procurement Preference (BA and BABA Requirements). This document applies only to construction contracts advertising on or after October 01, 2026.

The following specifications were added, deleted, or revised:

<u>File</u>	<u>Description</u>
003-toc.docx	TABLE OF CONTENTS. Updated.

<u>File (continued)</u>	<u>Description (continued)</u>
007.1-DMPP(BABA).docx	DOMESTIC MATERIALS PROCUREMENT PREFERENCE (BA AND BABA REQUIREMENTS). Revised in response to FHWA terminating the 1983 Manufactured Products General Waiver to align with the Build America, Buy America Act (BABA). Effective October 1, 2026: The "55 Percent Requirement" applies to projects obligated on or after this date.
100-104.23.docx	PROTECTION VEHICLE (PV). Revised to make minor changes to the content for NCHRP 350 and MASH 2016. Adding a new item for Additional PV in response to new federal regulations for Work Zone.
400-420.docx	PORTLAND CEMENT CONCRETE STRUCTURES. Revised the Measurement and Payment section and eliminated the heat applied method and only used the cold asphaltic products and self-adhered membrane.
400-422.docx	DAMPPROOFING AND MEMBRANE WATERPROOFING. Section 422 is moving into Section 420.
400-425.docx	LIGHTWEIGHT SUPERSTRUCTURE CONCRETE. Revised the Measurement and Payment section and eliminated the heat applied method and only used the cold asphaltic products and self-adhered membrane.
400-436.docx	CLEANING AND PAINTING EXISTING STRUCTURAL STEEL. Revised to remove the use of flexible materials for paint containment scaffolding.
400-483.docx	COAL TAR EPOXY COATING. Revised to add language that the coating is free of holidays and is tested for both holidays and film thickness.
900-913.docx	WATERPROOFING. Revised to eliminate the heat applied method and only use the cold asphaltic products and self-adhered membrane.

If there are any questions regarding these updates, please contact Benjamin Gilardi, P.E., Senior Program Manager, Program Delivery and Construction, SHA, at 410-545-8810, or via email at bgilardi@mdot.maryland.gov. He will be happy to assist you.

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