

**Maryland Department of Transportation State Highway Administration
Mid-Atlantic Region Technician Certification: COVID-19 Plan**

Summary Table

Technician Training Course	Online Training	Online Written Exams	In-Person Practical Exam or Hands-on Demonstration Location^{a-f}
Hot Mix Asphalt (HMA) Plant Level I Technician	OMT to utilize Microsoft Teams	OMT to utilize Microsoft Teams	Not applicable – No practical exam required.
HMA Plant Level II Technician	OMT to utilize Microsoft Teams	OMT to utilize Microsoft Teams	OMT – Asphalt Laboratory
Inertial Profiler Operator Technician	OMT to utilize Microsoft Teams	OMT to utilize Microsoft Teams	Roadway
HMA Field Technician	Offered by Maryland Asphalt Association	OMT to utilize Microsoft Teams	Not applicable – No practical exam required.
Soils and Aggregate Compaction Technician	OMT to utilize Microsoft Teams	OMT to utilize Microsoft Teams	OMT – Vehicle Calibration Building
Aggregate Technician	Self-Taught: Training Material available online	OMT to utilize Microsoft Teams	Aggregate Production Plant
Pavement Marking Technician	Option 1: OMT to utilize Microsoft Teams Option 2: Online Training provided by the University of Maryland (Consortium for Innovative Transportation Education - CITE)	OMT to utilize Microsoft Teams Completed through CITE platform. Questions provided by OMT.	OMT – Vehicle Calibration Building OMT – Vehicle Calibration Building
Concrete Field Technician ^g	Online through Zoom	Not Applicable	Designated by ACI Conducted in-person by American Concrete Institute (ACI), ACI schedules in small groups (no more than 10 per group)

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Notes

- a. For trainings that require practical exams or hands-on demonstration, technicians will be required to come in-person to the Office of Materials Technology, MDOT SHA Hanover Complex, 7450 Traffic Drive Building # 4, Hanover MD 21076.
- b. COVID-19 guidelines provided by Maryland Department of Budget and Management (DBM) and Center for Diseases Control and Protection (CDC), and the MDOT SHA facial covering guidance need to be followed.
- c. The Facial Covering Guidance includes the following:
 - i. Face coverings are required to be worn at all times, unless in a closed office, while in indoor MDOT facilities as well as on outdoor job sites where social distancing cannot be maintained.
 - ii. Face coverings shall be either MDOT-issued or similarly comply with CDC guidance.
 - iii. Face coverings must cover the nose and mouth and fit snugly.
 - iv. Social distancing does not relieve the requirement to wear face coverings indoors. Social distancing means to maintain a distance of at least 6 feet between individuals.
 - v. Please ensure that your face covering does not contain any political statements or endorsements, or graphics or verbiage that could be considered offensive or inappropriate for the workplace.
 - vi. Bandanas/scarves are not acceptable as face coverings as they do not provide sufficient coverage of facial contours, which undermines the intended function.
- d. Per the direction provided by DBM, to reduce the risk of COVID-19 contamination and transmission among state employees, visitors and contractors who come into our facilities, everyone that enters OMT must arrive at Building #4 front entrance and will be asked the same screening questions. The answers provided to the screening questions will determine whether facility entry is granted or denied.
- e. Technicians taking the practical exams or hands-on demonstrations will be on staggering shifts to ensure social distancing and to ensure that there is ample time to sanitize and clean equipment properly after the use by each technician.
- f. A limit of 10 technicians per day will be entering the OMT Building.
- g. Through reciprocity with ACI, MARTCP cards are issued to ACI card holders.