

## **2015 Standard Specification Revisions Summary**

1. Global change updating Alaska Test Method citations to match current test method names given in the Alaska Test Method Manual, and also updating AASHTO and ASTM citations.
2. Subsection 101-1.01 added acronyms for ATM Alaska Traffic Manual; ATMM Alaska Test Methods Manual; FM Factory Mutual and VAC Voltage Alternating Current.
3. Subsection 101-1.03 revised or added definitions for Pathway, Plans, Qualified Products List, Retainage, and Subgrade.
4. Subsection 102-1.01 new requirements for qualification of bidders on wholly State Funded projects.
5. Subsection 102-1.04 new requirements for examination of plans, specifications, special provisions and the work site. Also includes clarification of limitations on Department Records and other information, reports, and documents made available to bidders.
6. Subsection 103-1.01 new requirements for consideration bids on wholly state funded projects.
7. Subsection 103-1.05 revision to bonding, and to individual surety requirements.
8. Subsection 103-1.06 new insurance requirements.
9. Subsection 104-1.06 changed VEP to VECP and clarified Professional Engineer must be Alaska registered.
10. Subsection 105-1.05 new Superintendent requirements.
11. Subsection 105-1.06 utility information to be provided in new Section 651.
12. Subsection 105-1.13 revised subsection.
13. Subsection 105-1.14 revised subsection.
14. Subsection 105-1.15 revised subsection.
15. Subsection 105-1.17 added an Intent to Claim form and requirements for documenting actual delay and damages.
16. Subsection 106-1.01 added Buy America and Alaska Agricultural Wood Product provisions.
17. Subsection 106-1.02 Useable excavation revisions, minor revisions to various material sources, and new requirement to certify all permits and clearances are secured before ground disturbance in materials sources.
18. Subsection 106-1.03 Quality Level Analysis subsection revised.
19. Subsection 106-1.08 submittal procedures revised.
20. Subsection 107-1.01 new posters required.
21. Subsection 107-1.02 new permit requirements.
22. Subsection 107-1.04 revised Certified Payroll submission.
23. Subsection 107-1.11 restoring areas used by the contractor to original condition and written permission for material disposal site.
24. Subsection 108-1.03 revised schedule for Preconstruction Conference.
25. Subsection 108-1.06 clarified contract time.
26. Subsection 109-1.02 new requirements for scale operations and for the Electronic Computerized Weighing System. Engineer approval for volume and ton

measures. Also includes minor revision for submission of electronic scale data and diary.

27. Section 401 Hot Mix Asphalt Pavement complete section revision.
28. Section 505 Piling complete section revision.
29. Section 635 Insulation Board has minor changes to material and construction requirements.
30. Section 643 Traffic Maintenance has the section revised adding night lighting, TCP requirements, WTS new requirements, Traffic Control Device changes, pedestrian path, bicycle path, ADA and a revised Traffic Price Adjustment subsection.
31. Section 651 new section for Work by Others.
32. Section 652 new section for Interim Completion Dates.
33. Section 702 Asphalt Materials have new storage requirements, new subsections on Joint Adhesive, Joint Sealant, and Warm Mix Asphalt.
34. Section 703 Aggregates new testing requirements for base and surface course, revised aggregates for HMA, new subsections on Structural Fill, Abrasive Finish, and Crushed Glass.

**Note:** All previous Standard Modifications to the Standard Specifications for Highway Construction, 2004 Edition are included in the 2015 specification, but are not identified in this summary. The summary identifies new substantive changes but does not list minor changes which correct previous typographical errors or other minor changes to clarify language without substantively changing the intent of the Contract.