

MICHIGAN
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

SPECIAL PROVISION
FOR
RECYCLED HOT MIX ASPHALT MIXTURE ON LOCAL AGENCY PROJECTS

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Add the following subsection to subsection 501.02.A.2 of the Standard Specifications for Construction.

- c. **Reclaimed Asphalt Pavement (RAP) and Binder Grade Selection.** The method for determining the binder grade in HMA mixtures incorporating RAP is divided into three categories designated Tier 1, Tier 2 and Tier 3. Each tier has a range of percentages that represent the contribution of the RAP binder toward the total binder, by weight. The tiers identified below apply to HMA mixtures with the following exception: Superpave mixture types EML, EML High Stress, EMH, EMH High Stress, and EH, EH High Stress used as leveling or top course must be limited to a maximum of 27 percent RAP binder by weight of the total binder in the mixture.

Recycled materials may be used as a substitute for a portion of the new materials required to produce HMA mixtures in accordance with contract.

- **Tier 1 (0% to 17% RAP binder by weight of the total binder in the mixture).** No binder grade adjustment is made to compensate for the stiffness of the asphalt binder in RAP.
- **Tier 2 (18% to 27% RAP binder by weight of the total binder in the mixture).** For all mixtures no binder grade change will occur in Tier 2 for all shoulder and temporary road mixtures.

Ensure the required asphalt binder grade is at least one grade lower for the low temperature than the design binder grade required for the specified project mixture type. Lowering the high temperature of the binder one grade is optional. For example, if the design binder grade for the mixture type is PG 58-22, the required grade for the binder in the HMA mixture containing RAP would be a PG 52-28 or a PG 58-28.

For Marshall Mixes, no binder grade change will be required when Average Daily Traffic (ADT) is above 7000 or Commercial Average Daily Traffic (CADT) is above 700. No binder grade change will occur for EL mixtures used as leveling or top course.

The asphalt binder grade can also be selected using a blending chart for high and low temperatures. Supply the blending chart and the RAP test data used in determining the binder selection according to *AASHTO M323*.

- **Tier 3 ($\geq 28\%$ RAP binder by weight of the total binder in the mixture).** The binder grade for the asphalt binder is selected using a blending chart for high and low temperatures per *AASHTO M323*. Supply the blending chart and the RAP test data

used in determining the binder selection.