Guide Specification for Safety Edge℠

DESCRIPTION

Incorporate a Safety Edge℠ to the dimensions shown and at locations designated on the contract documents. The finished shape of the Safety Edge℠ shall conform to the cross-section drawings shown in Exhibit A and Exhibit B.

Note 1*: Recommended Rise to Run ratio range 1:1.2 to 1:2.0. The range of slope is equal to 26° to 40°.

Exhibit A. Safety Edge℠ configuration for concrete pavements and concrete overlays.

For single lift overlay

For H ≤ 5 in.
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Exhibit B. Safety EdgeSM configurations for asphalt pavements and asphalt overlays.

**EQUIPMENT**

A. **Asphalt Concrete Pavement (AC)**
Utilize an approved Safety EdgeSM system to create a sloped edge profile onto the roadway shoulder. Utilize an approved Safety EdgeSM system that compacts the AC and provides a sloped wedge equal to 1:1.2 to 1:2.0 measured from the pavement surface cross slope extended. The use of a single plate strike off is not allowed. The Safety EdgeSM shall be constructed monolithically with the AC pavement.

Utilize an approved Safety EdgeSM system that is adjustable to accommodate varying paving thicknesses.

All Safety EdgeSM systems to be used for the purpose of creating a Safety EdgeSM must meet the approval of the Engineer. The Engineer may require proof that the system has been used on previous projects with acceptable results or may require a test section constructed prior to the beginning of work to demonstrate the edge shape and compaction to the satisfaction of the Engineer.

B. **Portland Cement Concrete**
Modify paver screed to create a Safety EdgeSM that meets the final cross-section as detailed on the plans.
CONSTRUCTION METHODS

A. Shoulder Preparation
Prior to placing asphalt or concrete pavement, prepare the shoulder material where the Safety Edges™ will be placed to provide a foundation that will support the placement of the Safety Edges™ in accordance with the owner agency’s standard practice.

B. AC Density Adjacent to Safety Edges™
For AC pavements and overlays, the percent compaction of the AC adjacent to the Safety Edges™ shall be in accordance with the owner agency unconfined longitudinal edge specification.

C. Shoulder Backing Material
Furnish, place and compact shoulder backing material to the top of the Safety Edges™ as shown in Exhibits A and B in accordance with the owner agency specifications.

D. Handwork

AC
Obtain approval in advance from the Engineer for short sections of handwork such as transitions at driveways, intersections, interchanges, and bridges.

Portland Cement Concrete
In areas that do not require a Safety Edges™, e.g., intersections, bridges, etc., it is acceptable to saw cut and remove the Safety Edges™ after paving operations are completed. In areas where it is not possible to place the Safety Edges™ in conjunction with mainline paving but where the Safety Edges™ is desired, the Engineer may allow handwork for short sections, for example at driveway transitions, intersections, interchanges, etc.

METHOD OF MEASUREMENT

Safety Edges™ will not be measured for payment.

BASIS OF PAYMENT

No separate payment will be made for the construction of the Safety Edges™. All work associated in the Safety Edges™ construction shall be integral to the pavement work and shall be included in the contract pricing for those pay items.