

SECTION 303: BASE COURSE

303.1 DESCRIPTION

This Work consists of providing, hauling, and placing Base Course.

303.1.1 Stockpiling

This Work consists of providing, hauling, and stockpiling Base Course at specified locations.

303.1.2 Removing, Processing, and Placing Base Course

This Work consists of removing, hauling, processing, placing existing Base Course Material.

303.2 MATERIALS

303.2.1 General

Base Course consists of one (1) or more of the following:

1. Crushed stone;
2. Crushed or screened gravel;
3. Caliche;
4. Sand;
5. Recycled Asphalt Pavement (RAP) not to exceed 50%; recycled concrete pavement (RC) not to exceed 75%; and the combined RAP and RC not to exceed 75% by weight;
6. Processed glass aggregate.

Base Course shall not contain organic matter or other Deleterious Materials, including silt and clay balls.

The Department will allow a maximum of ten percent (10%) (by weight) processed glass aggregate, uniformly distributed, in composite Base Course. Processed glass aggregate shall meet physical properties and deleterious substance requirements in accordance with AASHTO M 318.

303.2.2 Aggregate Acceptance

The Department will accept Base Course based on random samples taken by the Department from the Roadway. Unless the Contract specifies otherwise, the Contractor shall produce Material in compliance with Table 303.2.2:1, "Type I Base Course Gradation Band or Table 303.2.2:2, "Type II Base Course Gradation Band" as specified in the Contract and Table 303.2.2:3, "Base Course Physical Properties."

**Table 303.2.2:1
Type I Base Course Gradation Band**

Sieve size	% passing
1.0 inch	100
¾ inch	80--100
No. 4	30-60

**Table 303.2.2:1
Type I Base Course Gradation Band**

Sieve size	% passing
No. 10	20-45
No. 200	3.0-10.0

**Table 303.2.2:2
Type II Base Course Gradation Band**

Sieve size	% passing
1.0 inch	100
¾ inch	85-95
No. 4	40-70
No. 10	30-55
No. 200	6.0-15.0

**Table 303.2.2:3
Base Course Physical Properties**

Property	Specification Limit
Fractured Face ^a	Minimum 50% on Untreated Material
AI ^b	Maximum 35
LL	Maximum 25
PI	Maximum 6

^aMaterials retained on or above the No. 4 sieve shall have at least two (2) Fractured Faces when evaluated in accordance with AASHTO T-335, "Determining the Percentage of Fractured Faces in Coarse Aggregate."

^bMaximum AI of 35 for untreated natural aggregate source when calculated in accordance with Section 910, "AGGREGATE INDEX".

303.3 CONSTRUCTION REQUIREMENTS

303.3.1 Subgrade

The Contractor shall place base course on subgrade prepared in accordance with Section 207, "Subgrade Preparation."

303.3.2 Mixing and Placing

The Contractor shall:

- Place maximum six (6) inch (compacted) lifts, unless specified otherwise.
- Not Place Base Course Material on frozen Subgrade.
- Compact Base Course to at least 96% of maximum density as determined by AASHTO T 180 (Modified Proctor), Method D (TTCP Modified).

The Department will use nuclear testing methods to determine in-place densities in accordance with AASHTO T 310 and TTCP procedures for wet density moisture correction.

303.3.3 Surface Tolerance

The surface tolerance shall not exceed ½ inch within ten (10) feet as verified by the Department. All deviations greater than ½ inch shall be corrected by the Contractor and reverified by the Department.

303.3.4 Plan Base Course and Sub-base Depths

The Department will monitor and record Base Course depth during the placement in accordance with the Department's "Minimum Testing Requirements." If the placed thickness deviates from the requirements by more than minus ½ inch, the Contractor shall add Material and reprocess to correct the deficiency.

303.3.5 Stockpiled Base Course

The Contractor shall stockpile base course material at locations shown on the Plans and prevent segregation of Materials at each stockpile. The Contractor shall maintain each stockpile in accordance with the following requirements:

1. Place stockpiles upon prepared sites;
2. Make stockpiles neat and regular to prevent segregation;
3. Provide enough storage space for each size of aggregate;
4. Prevent contamination (store stockpiles away from vehicular and Equipment traffic);
5. Keep the storage site neat and orderly and keep the stockpiles accessible for sampling; and
6. Acceptance by the Department will be at the final stockpile location.

303.3.6 Removing and Processing Existing Base Course

The Contractor shall:

1. Minimize contamination of Base Course Material when removing it from the Roadway for reuse, and;
2. Meet the requirements as indicated in Section 303.3.2 "Mixing and Placing."

303.3.7 Sampling and Testing

The Contractor and Department shall sample and test the Base Course in accordance with Section 906 "Minimum Testing Requirements" for Base Course. Department personnel may test locations other than the random locations generated for statistical analysis. These tests will not be used for pay factor determination, but may be used to determine Acceptance or rejection of localized Material.

303.3.7.1 Contractor Quality Control

The Contractor shall develop and administer a Quality Control plan that ensures the product meets the requirements of Section 902, "Quality Control." The Contractor shall ensure that the Quality Control plan addresses the following elements:

1. Contractor management and process control personnel,
2. Testing Equipment and lab facilities,
3. Aggregate production,
4. Aggregate quality,
5. Stockpile management,

6. Proportioning,
7. Mixing and processing,
8. Transporting,
9. Placing and spreading,
10. Compaction,
11. Line and grade control, and
12. Criteria for the correction or rejection of unsatisfactory Materials.

The Contractor shall:

1. Provide copies of TTCP wallet cards or certifications for personnel who are responsible for sampling and testing the Base Course.
2. Update the list as required if personnel substitutions are made.
3. Use test results, inspections, and other Quality Control practices to assure the quality of each material source and to control processes for crushing, mixing, proportioning, processing, transporting, placing, spreading, and compacting quality.

303.3.8 Acceptance

The Department will accept Base Course Materials based on samples taken in accordance with the Section 906, "Minimum Testing Requirements" after placement but before compaction. Acceptance will be in accordance with Section 303.2.2, "Aggregate Acceptance" and Section 303.3, "Construction Requirements. If necessary, the Contractor shall re-work the Base Course until all requirements are met at no additional expense to the Department.

303.4 METHOD OF MEASUREMENT

When calculating the square yardage the Department will use the average Base Course width and the station-to-station length along the centerline. The dimensions will show on the typical section of the Plans. When calculating the weight of the material, the Department will deduct the weight of moisture that exceeds the optimum moisture content plus two percent (2%). No additional payment shall be made for the stockpile pad.

303.5 BASIS OF PAYMENT

The Department will pay for the accepted quantities of *Base Course* as determined in Section 303.3.8, "Acceptance."

Pay Item	Pay Unit
<i>Base Course</i>	Cubic Yard or Ton
<i>Base Course _____ inch Depth</i>	Square Yard
<i>Remove, Process and Place Base Course</i>	Square Yard or Ton
<i>Stockpiled Base Course</i>	Cubic Yard or Ton

303.5.1 Work Included in Payment

The Department will consider as included in the payment for the pay item(s) listed in this section and will not measure or pay separately for the following Work:

1. Providing, hauling, placing, and compacting Base Course Material;
2. Stockpiling, if required by contract;

3. Quality Control in accordance with Section 902, "Quality Control;" and
4. Remove, process, and place Base Course, if required by contract.