

Designer Note: Insert into projects where the 6" wider milling is requested. Include quantities for the extra 6" of milling, tacking, and surface in your schedule of quantities.

HOT-MIX ASPHALT JOINT TRIMMING

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When specified in the plans, unconfined hot mix asphalt (HMA) edges will be placed and trimmed per the following guidelines:

1. Place the HMA tack coat and HMA pavement/shoulder 6" wider than the designated lane line (centerline or edge of pavement).
2. When the joint is trimmed as an independent operation, mill the excess 6" of the unconfined HMA to the lane line. The milling equipment must be capable of producing a straight line. The depth of the milling must be controlled so as not to gouge the underlying lift. The intent is to create a vertical face at the lane line and provide a lateral confinement for the adjacent mat. Skid-steer mounted mills will not be allowed. Milling and cleaning must be done prior to tacking of the adjacent HMA paving. Milling the same day as HMA placement will not be allowed. If the Engineer determines excessive raveling of the milled face is occurring, the contractor shall make adjustments to the operation such as slowing the mill speed, replacing mill teeth, or adjustment of mill box side plates.
3. When the joint is trimmed as part of the adjacent mat milling, milling the same day as HMA placement will not be allowed. If the Engineer determines excessive raveling of the milled face is occurring, the contractor shall make adjustments to the operation such as slowing the mill speed, replacing mill teeth, or adjustment of mill box side plates.
4. Clean and prepare the surface of the adjacent mat as per Article 406.05 of the Standard Specification prior to the placement of the HMA. The HMA Tack Coat shall be sprayed the full width of the lane/shoulder and also lapped onto the adjacent mat a distance not to exceed 4". In addition, the vertical face of the adjacent mat shall be thoroughly tacked by means of a dedicated spray nozzle, mounted at a 45 degree angle, aimed toward the face.
5. Placement of this HMA mat shall require the use of a joint-matching device in lieu of a longitudinal averaging ski. The compacted height of this mat shall be exactly flush, or not more than 1/32" higher, to the adjacent mat to ensure the joint has sufficient material for adequate compaction. During placement, the side plate of the screed shall not exceed 1/2" overlap onto the adjacent mat.

When milled independently, the 6" extra width at the lane line will be paid for at the contract unit price per Square Yard for HOT-MIX ASPHALT SURFACE REMOVAL (SPECIAL). When milled with the adjacent mat, the 6" extra width at the lane line will be paid for at the contract unit price for HOT-MIX ASPHALT SURFACE REMOVAL of the depth specified. The extra HMA tack coat

will be paid for at the contract unit price per Pound for the tack coat specified in the plans. The extra trimmed HMA will be paid for at the contract unit price per Ton or Square Yard, as specified in the plans. All other extra work will not be paid for separately but shall be included in the unit bid price of the various pay items and no other compensation will be allowed.