

SMA Specification and Durability Characteristics

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Specifications



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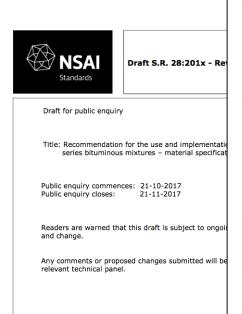
Bituminous mixtures - Material specif

Mélanges bitumineux - Spécifications des matériaux - Partie 5: Béton bitumineux grenu à forte teneur en mastic

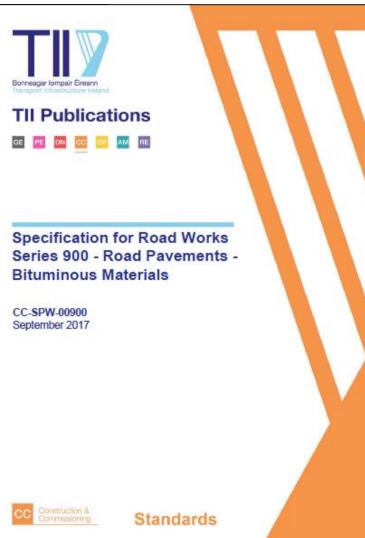
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Specifications



TS2010 Surface Course Specification & Guidance

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Transport Scotland Buchanan House 58 Port Dundas Road Glasgow G4 0HF

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Transport Scotland:

- Problems with the quality and in-service performance of Stone Mastic Asphalt
- Put measures in place to adjust the specification and improve quality control
- Became apparent that Germany produced SMA that was reliable, durable and fit for purpose
- Research became concentrated on the German specifications and practices...

SMA Specification comparisons

Constituent requirements	TII Since 2015	NRA 2010	SR 28 2017 draft (end use Public Roads)	TS 2010	
Coarse Aggregate	PSV DN-PAV-03023 (HD36)	PSV 60	HD 36 (SR17)	HD36 / declared note 1	
	AAV DN-PAV-03023 (HD36)	AAV 10	HD 36 (SR17)	AAV 12	
	LA 25			LA 30	
	FI 15		FI 20 (SR 17)	FI 20 (<15 Ideal)	
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Fine Aggregate	Crushed Rock PSV 55+	d Rock PSV 55+ Crushed Rock, Sand or mixture		Crushed Rock	
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Filler	I IMOSTONO HVORSTOO I IMO OF L OMONT		Crushed rock, Hydrated Lime, CEM	Limestone or Hydrated Lime	
	not reclaimed	including reclaimed		All Limestone	
Binder - PMB	PMB 65-105/60		РМВ	PMB 75/130-75	
Binder - Paving Grade	40/60 (up to 100 cvd)	not permitted	40/60	not permitted	
Fibres	Compulsory for 40/60	Optional	Optional	Compulsory	

Note 1: TS2010 has a performance requirement for skid resistance, using 'declared' provides opportunity for contractor to adopt and verify performance of aggregate with variant PSV

SMA Specification comparisons

Product requirements	TII since 2015	NRA 2010	SR 28 2017 draft (end use Public Roads)	TS 2010	
Particle Size Distribution	10mm nominal size mixture				
14	100			100	
10	90 to 100			93 to 100	
6,3	30 to 55			35 to 52	
2	20 to 35			20 to 32	
0,063	6 to 12			8 to 12	
Binder Content - Polymer	5,8	5,3	5,6	6,7	
Binder Content - Paving Grade (on roads up to 100 cvd)	5,8	Not permitted	5,8	Not permitted	
Fibres (optional on PMB mix)	0,3 to 1,5		0,3 minimum	0,3 minimum	
Binder Drainage	D _{0,3}				
Air Void content - minimum	V min 2,0	not applicable	V _{min 2,0}	V _{min 3,0}	
Air Void content - maximum	V _{max 5,0}	not applicable	V _{max 5,0}	V _{max 3,5}	
Water Sensitivity	ITSR ₈₀ ITSR _{NR}				
Resistance to permanent deformation	WTS _{Air 1,0} PRD _{Air tbr}	WTS _{Air tbd} PRD _{Air tbd}	WTS _{Air 1,0} PRD _{Air tbd}	WTS _{Air tbr} PRD _{Air tbr}	
Evaluation	CE Mark Works proposals		CE Mark	TAIT – 3 stage: Laboratory study Mix trial Full site trial	

SMA Specification comparisons

Works requirements	TII since 2015	NRA 2010	TS 2010
Air Void content - minimum	tbr	n/a	V min 2,0
Air Void content - maximum	tbr	n/a	V _{max,5,0}
Water Sensitivity	tbr	n/a	n/a
Resistance to permanent deformation	tbr	n/a	n/a
Grit application	n/a	n/a	1 to 1,25 kg/m ² (coated)
Surface macrotexture (>60km/hr)			
Average per 1000m minimum	1,1	1,5	n/a
Average per 1000m maximum	1,6	n/a	n/a
Average for a set of 10 minimum	0,9	1,2	n/a
Surface macrotexture (>60km/hr) After 3 years			
Average per 1000m minimum	n/a	1,3	n/a
Average for a set of 10 minimum	n/a	1,0	n/a
Skid resistance Site Category A, B & C (higher for other stressful sites			0,39 GN after 4 weeks 0,56 GN after 6 months
Bond Coat	PMB >0,35 kg/m ²	PMB >0,40 kg/m ²	Cohesion 1,0 J/cm ² >0,35 kg/m ²

Design Process - Testing

Binder Drainage

• Fibres essential for paving grade binder and some PMB mixtures need fibres to meet specification - increased binder retention

Water Sensitivity

Generally ok with limestone filler, some aggregates need adhesion agents

Air Void analysis

 Targeting lower levels in the laboratory provides greater scope for achieving levels in the Works

Resistance to Permanent Deformation

60°C small device to assess resistance to rutting

Complete Type Testing, Declaration of Performance and CE Mark

Works Testing

- Macrotexture Characteristics
 - on laid mat
- Water Sensitivity
 - on loose sample taken from the paver augers
- Air Void analysis
 - on cores extracted from the mat
- Resistance to Permanent Deformation
 - on cores or cut slab taken from the mat

Industry data

Water Sensitivity

• Design data: 36 sets Range 81 to 110, Av 93 (spec min 80)

• Site data: 4 sets Range 85 to 90, Av 87 (spec tbr)

Air Void analysis

• Design data: 90 sets Range 2.5 to 9.6, Av 5.1 (spec 2.0 to 5.0)

• Site data: 32 sets Range 2.8 to 7.8, Av 4.6 (spec tbr)

Resistance to Permanent Deformation

Design data: 65 sets WTS_{air} Range 0.02 to 0.93, Av 0.15 (spec max 1.0)

• Site data: 31 sets WTS_{air} Range 0.01 to 0.68, Av 0.16 (spec tbr)

Macrotexture Characteristics

• Site data: 90 sets Range 1.2 to 1.8, Av 1.5 (spec av 1000m 1.1 to 1.6)

Note: industry data relates to SMA 10 PMB mixtures only

Typical finish





New Specification

Old Specification

Low void content





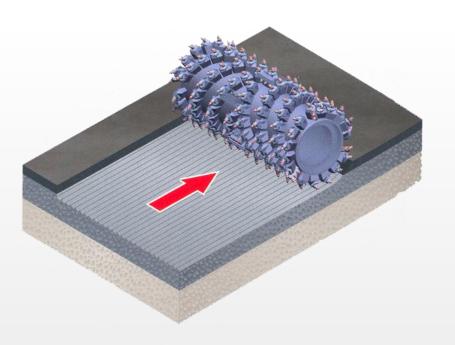
- Air voids less than 2% can result in deformation under heavy traffic
- Air voids greater than 6% can allow water and air to penetrate into the layer
- High air voids increase the potential for water damage, oxidation and aggregate loss or fretting under trafficking



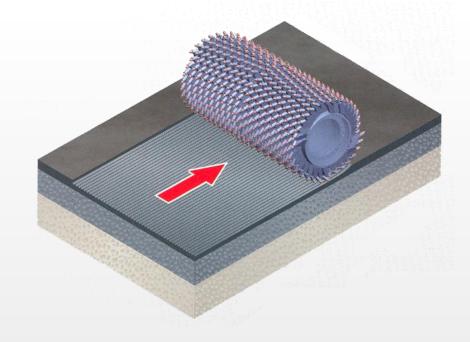
Key Factors

- Sealing underlying layer is essential
- Bonding layers is essential
- High binder content
- Low air void content

Milling Drums

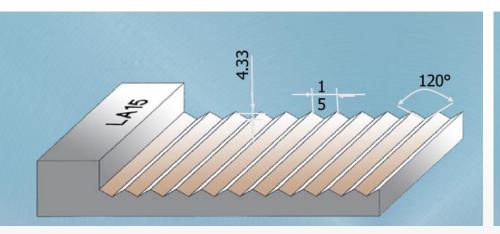


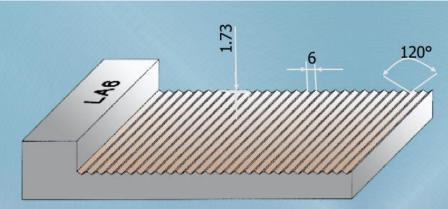
Standard milling drum
168 picks



Fine milling drum 672 picks

Milling Drums



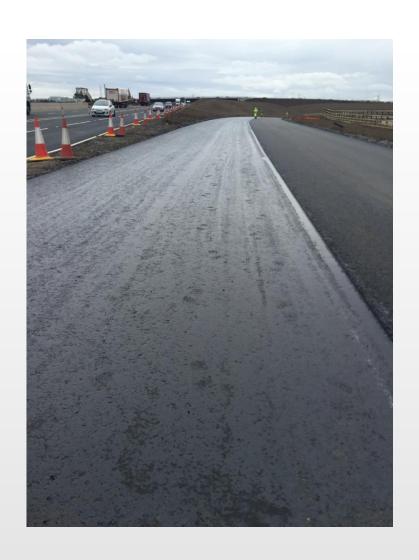






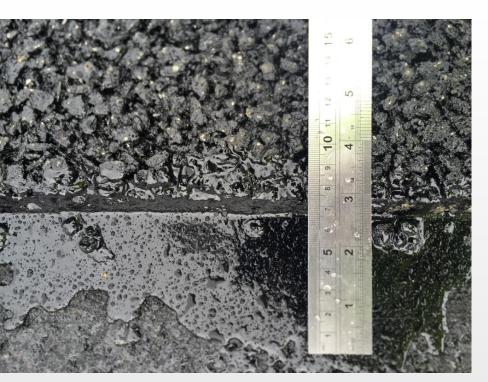
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Bond to substrate





Longitudinal Joint detail





Transverse Joint detail



Ironwork





Laid 5 years Laid 7 months

Ironwork





Offset paving



Full width paving



Echelon paving



Learn from the experience of others!

- Maximise binder content for improved durability
- Macrotexture should be acceptable but not excessive
- Good design and trials = successful long term projects
- Train the operatives! Manufacturing and laying

Thank you

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