

# Pavement Marking Selection



The photograph shows a large, specialized truck equipped with a pavement marking system. The machine is in the process of applying two parallel yellow lines to an asphalt road. A significant amount of white steam or smoke is being emitted from the application point, likely due to the heat of the material being laid. In the background, a white van is visible on the road, and the scene is set in an urban or suburban environment.

# Introductions

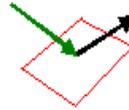
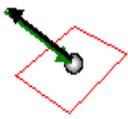


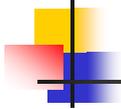
## General Issues to All Markings

- Color
- Retroreflectivity



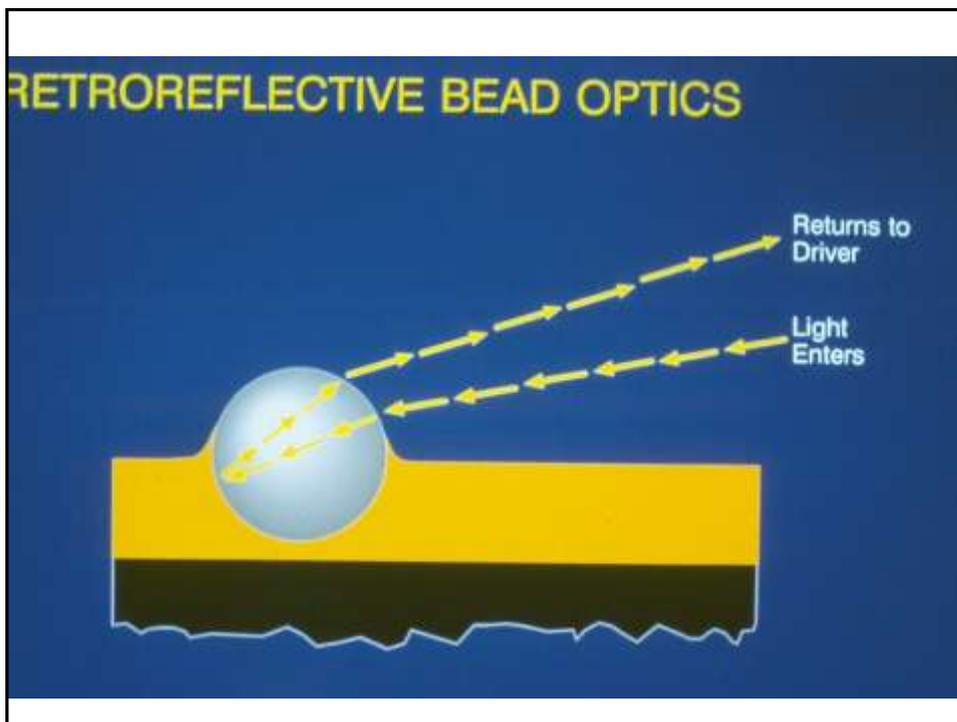
## Types of Reflectors

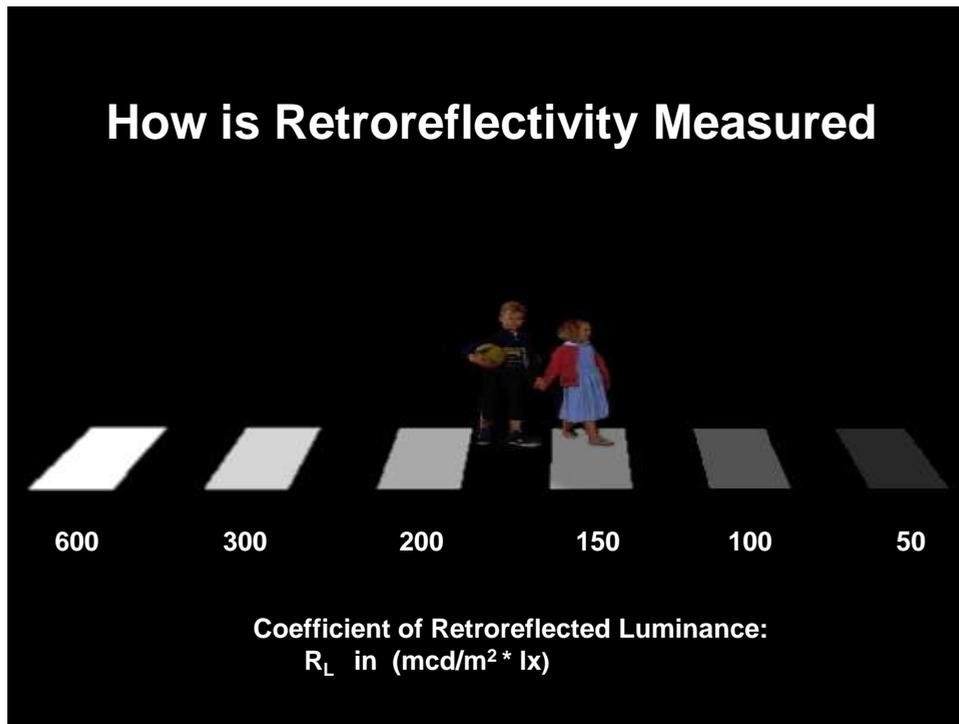
		
		
<b data-bbox="491 1580 642 1669">Diffuse reflector</b>	<b data-bbox="680 1580 839 1669">Specular reflector</b>	<b data-bbox="854 1580 1005 1669">Retro-reflector</b>



## What Is Retroreflectivity?

Retroreflectivity is where the reflected rays are preferentially returned in a direction close to the opposite of the direction of the incident rays.





## Types of Marking Materials

- Paint
- Thermoplastic
- Preformed Thermoplastic
- High Performance Tapes
- Two Component Reactive
- Audible & Vibratory Markings



## Types of Marking Materials

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- Paint



## Paint Policy

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- "Paint is normally used in MOT operations and is appropriate for short term operations."
- Two coats of paint are required as the final pavement markings for construction contracts.



## Painted Pavement Markings

Primary Uses:

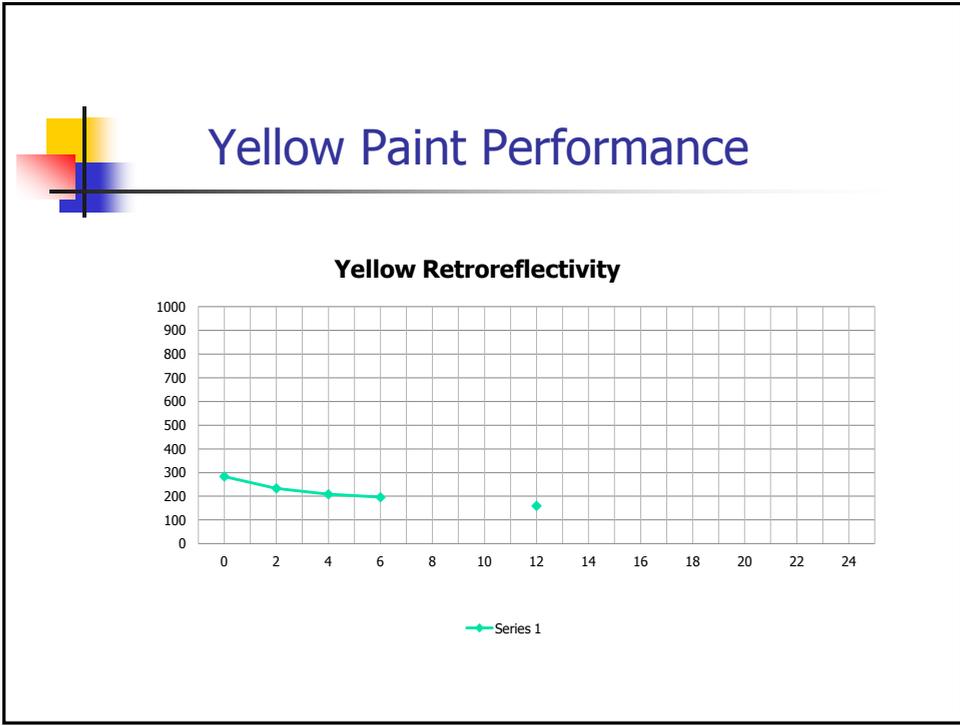
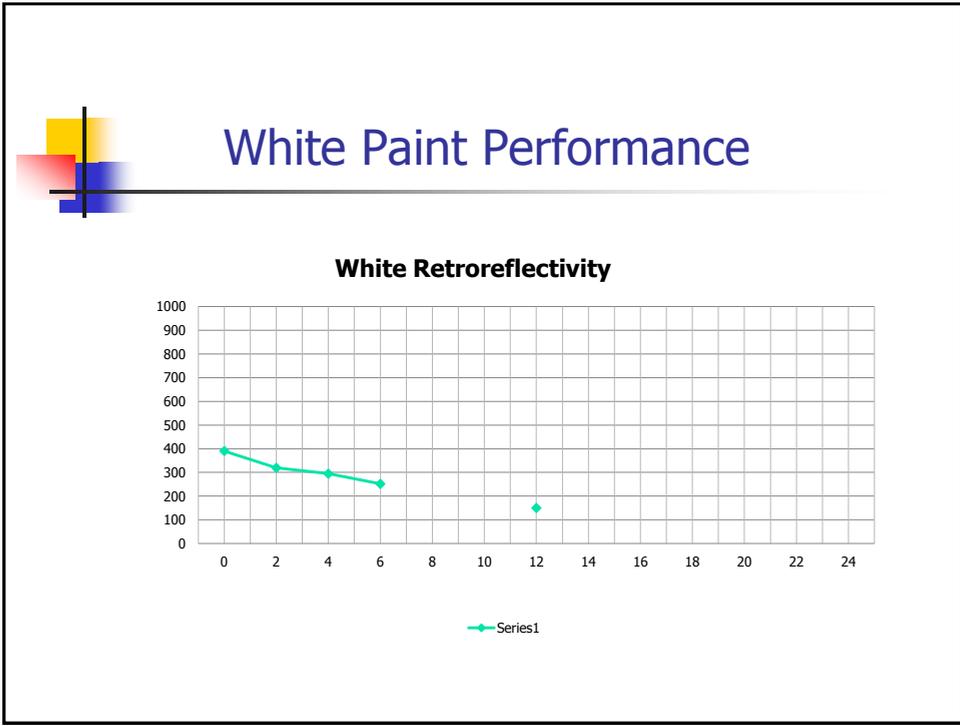
- Maintenance of Traffic Markings
- Short Term Refurbishment Marking
- Contrast Marking



## Painted Pavement Markings

Limitations:

- Expected Service Life - 6 to 12 Months
- No Wet Retroreflectivity Characteristics



## Painted Pavement Markings

Life Cycle Cost:

- Initial Cost - \$ 900/Mile
- Expected Life – 1 Year
- Annualized Cost - \$ 900/Year
- Average Retroreflectivity -
  - White – 261 mcd
  - Yellow – 206 mcd

## Section 710: Painted Pavement Markings Field Installation



Section 710:  
Painted Pavement Markings  
Field Installation

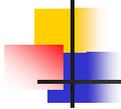


A photograph showing a close-up of a yellow painted line on a dark asphalt surface. The paint is bright yellow and has a slightly textured appearance. A date stamp '8.27.2007' is visible in the bottom right corner of the image.

Section 710:  
Painted Pavement Markings  
Field Installation



A photograph showing a close-up of a white painted line on a dark asphalt surface. The paint is bright white and has a slightly textured appearance. A date stamp '8.27.2007' is visible in the bottom right corner of the image.



## Types of Marking Materials

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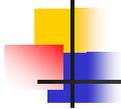
- Paint
- **Thermoplastic**



## Thermoplastic Policy

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- “Thermoplastic is the Department’s primary material to be used for permanent markings on asphalt surfaces.”



## Thermoplastic Pavement Markings

Primary Uses:

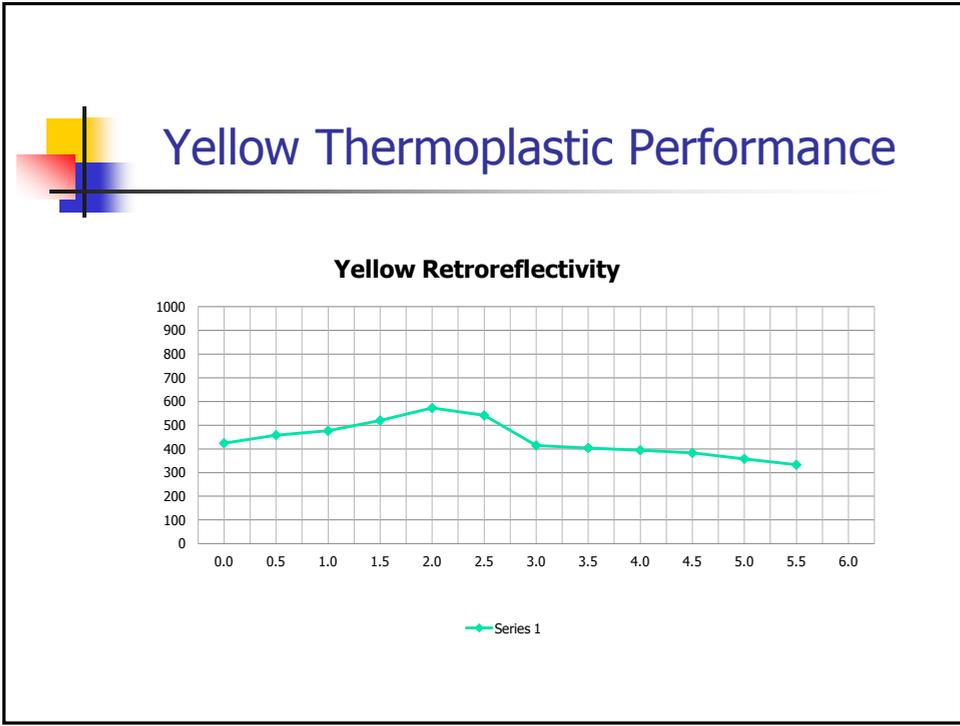
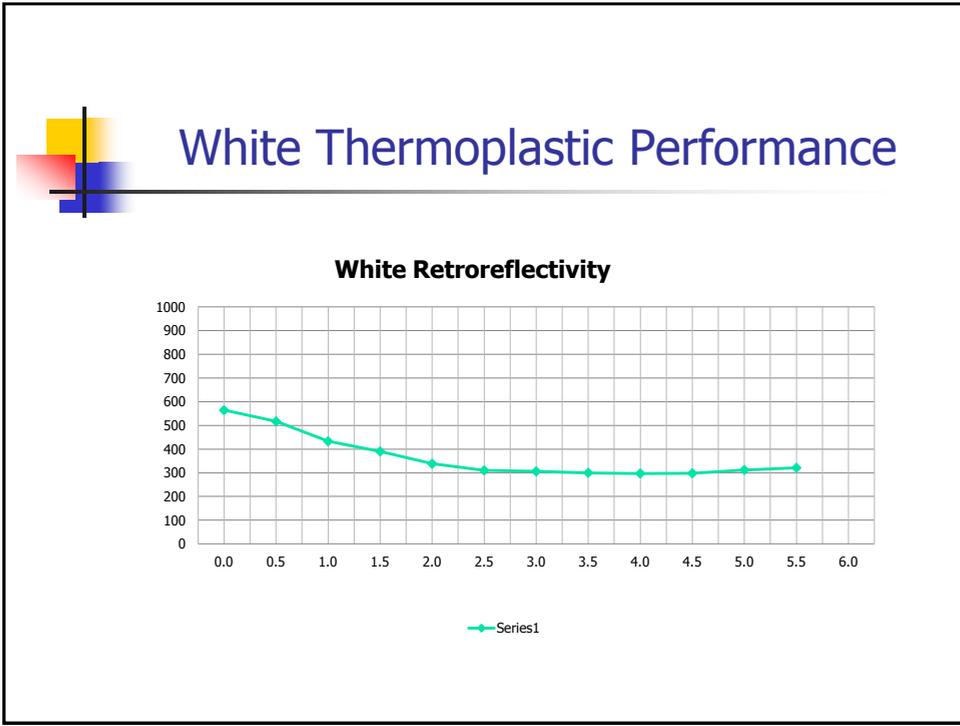
- Longitudinal and Transverse Lines
- Messages and Symbols
- Arrows



## Thermoplastic Pavement Markings

Advantages:

- Expected Service Life - 7 to 8 Years
- Retroreflectivity Levels
  - White Average - 374 mcd (6 Years)
  - Yellow Average - 434 mcd (6 Years)
- Wet Retroreflectivity Characteristics





## Thermoplastic Pavement Markings

Limitations:

- Sealer for Use on Concrete
- Will Not Bond to Concrete If Moisture is Present

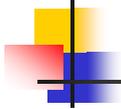


## Thermoplastic Pavement Markings

Life Cycle Cost:

- Initial Cost - \$ 4000/Mile
- Expected Life – 8 Years
- Annualized Cost - \$ 500/Year
- Average Retroreflectivity -
  - White – 374 mcd
  - Yellow – 434 mcd





## Types of Marking Materials

- Paint
- Thermoplastic
- **Preformed Thermoplastic**



## Preformed Thermoplastic Policy

- Preformed thermoplastic is required for all bicycle markings.
- Preformed thermoplastic is required for interstate exit numbers.
- Special emphasis crosswalk markings should utilize preformed thermoplastic.

## Preformed Thermoplastic Pavement Markings

### Primary Uses:

- Exit Ramp Numbers
- Bicycle Symbols
- Crosswalk Pavement Markings
- Horizontal Pavement Signing
- Pavement Messages

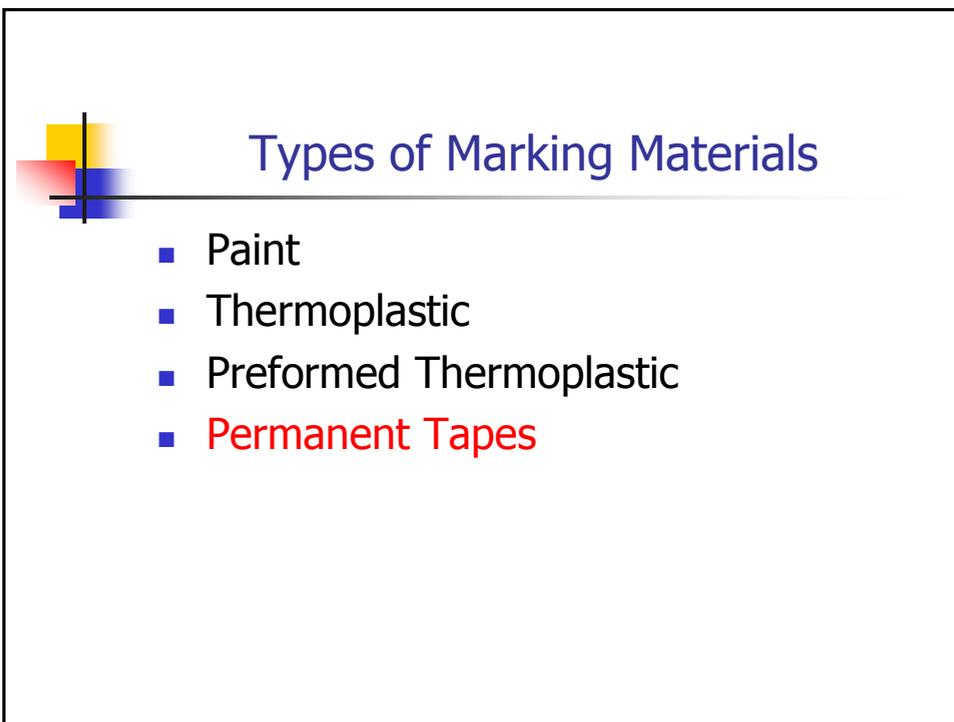
## Preformed Thermoplastic Markings









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- Types of Marking Materials
- Paint
  - Thermoplastic
  - Preformed Thermoplastic
  - **Permanent Tapes**



## High Performance Tape Policy

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- “High performance contrast tape is required for centerline markings on concrete pavements and concrete bridge decks with (lengths of 300’ or greater).”



## Tape Pavement Markings

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Primary Uses of High Performance:

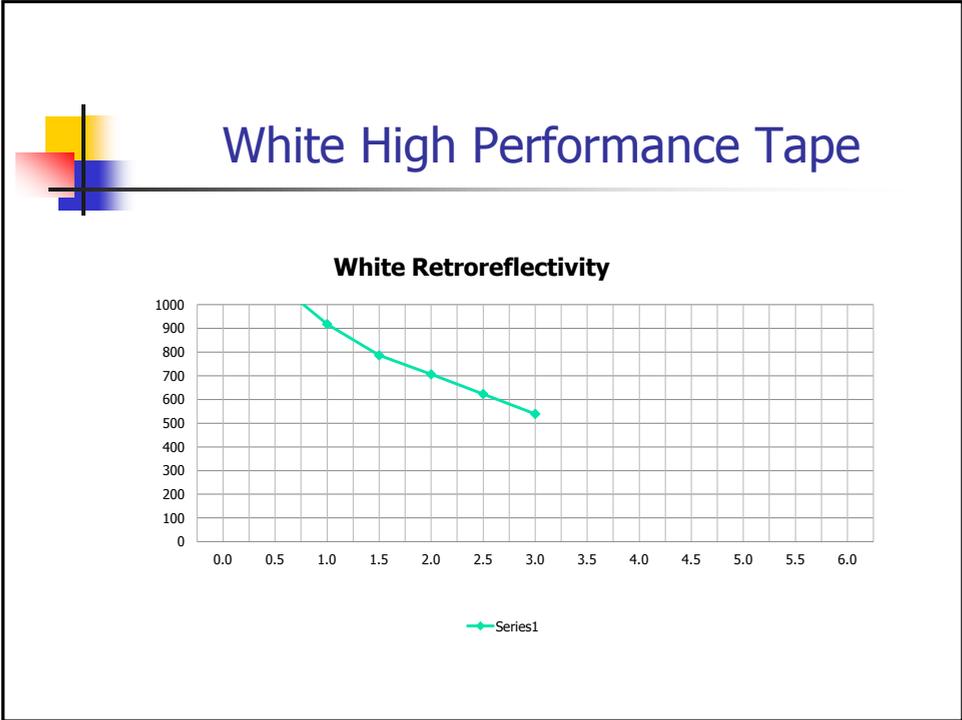
- Longitudinal Centerlines on Concrete

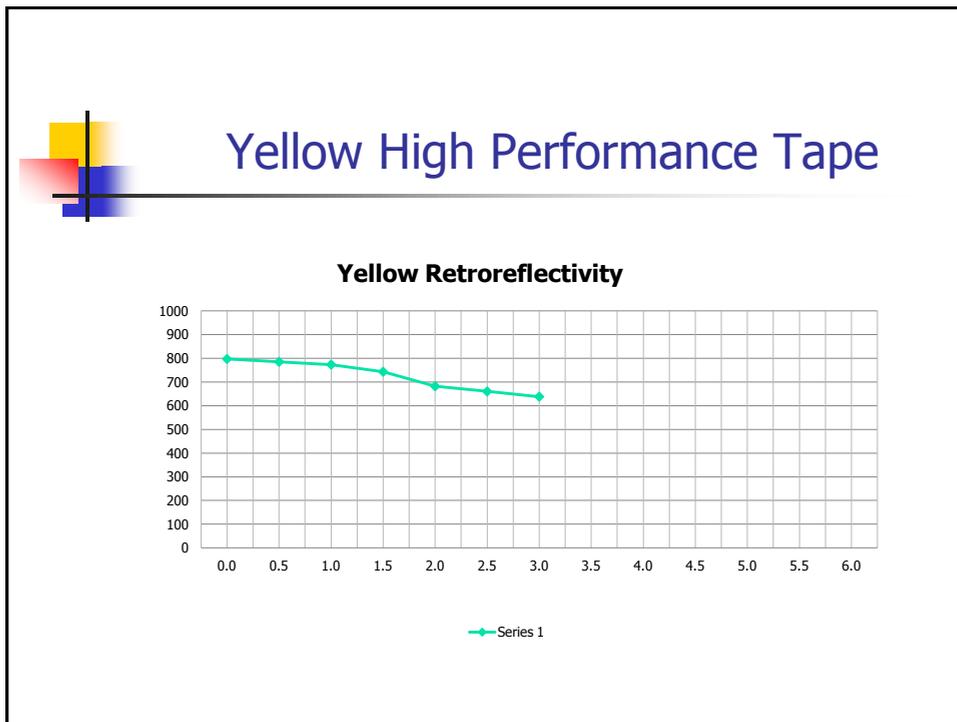


## Tape Pavement Markings

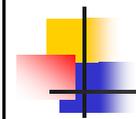
**Advantages:**

- Expected Service Life - 7 to 8 Years
- Retroreflectivity Levels
  - White – 842 mcd (3 Years)
  - Yellow – 725 mcd (3 Years)
- Wet Retroreflectivity Characteristics





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- High Performance Tape Skip/Contrast Markings**
- Life Cycle Cost:**
- Initial Cost - \$ 8,450/Mile
  - Expected Life – 7 Years on Concrete
  - Annualized Cost - \$ 1207/Year
  - Average Retroreflectivity -
    - White – 842 mcd (3 Years)
    - Yellow – 725 mcd (3 Years)



## High Performance Tape Edge Line Markings

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### Life Cycle Cost:

- Initial Cost - \$ 18,750/Mile
- Expected Life – Insufficient Data
- Annualized Cost – Insufficient Data

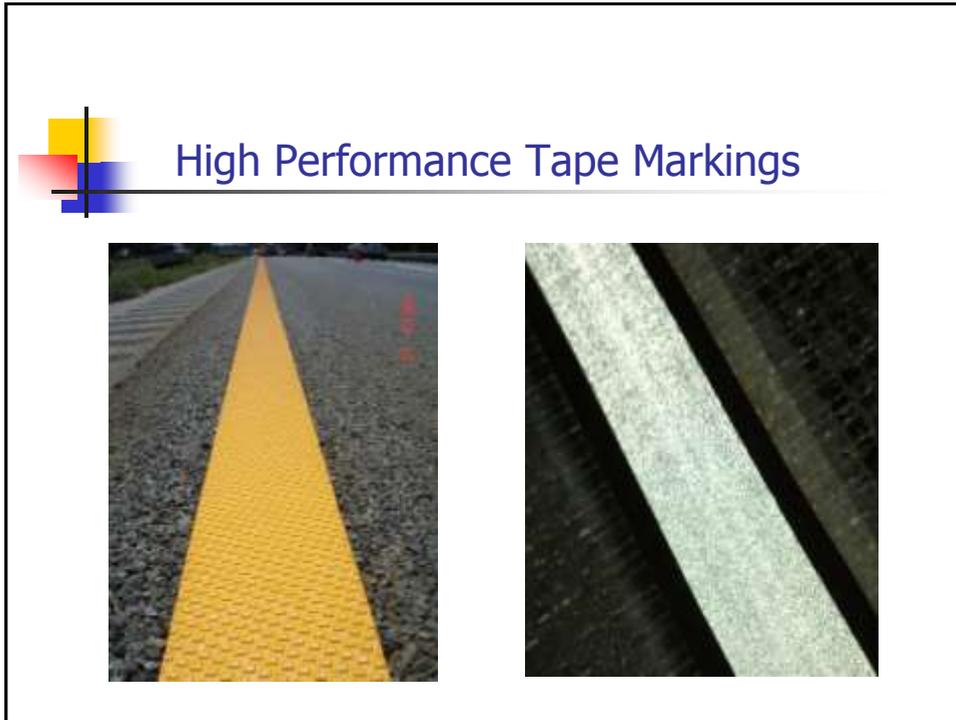


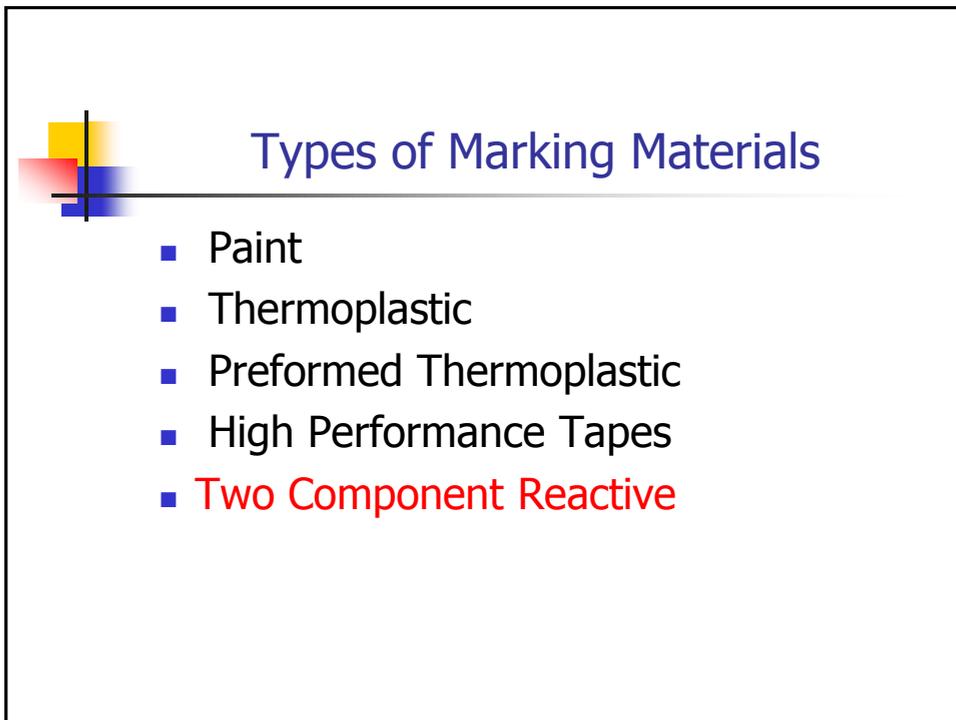
## Tape Pavement Markings

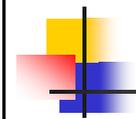
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### Limitations:

- High Cost
- Performs Best on Concrete
- Requires Lane Closures to Install
- Extensive Prep. for Refurbishment



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- Types of Marking Materials
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  - High Performance Tapes
  - **Two Component Reactive**



## Types of Two Component Reactive Pavement Markings

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- Epoxies
- Polyureas
- Modified Urethanes
- Methyl Methacrylates



## Two Component Markings

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### Primary Uses:

- Longitudinal Edge Lines on Concrete

## Two Component Markings

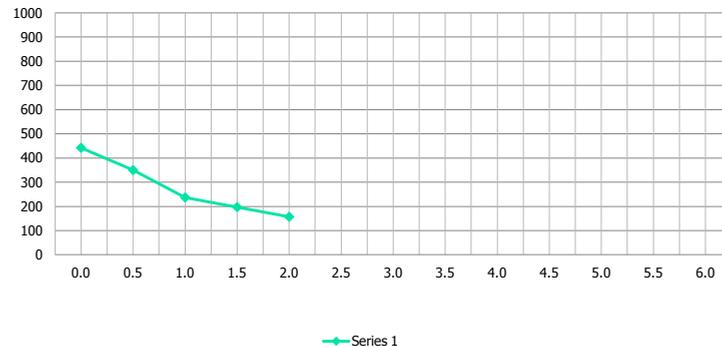
**Advantages:**

- Excellent Adhesion to Concrete
- Retroreflectivity Levels
  - White – 415 mcd (3 Years)
  - Yellow – 277 mcd (2 Years)
- Wet Retroreflectivity Characteristics



## Yellow Two Component Performance

**Yellow Retroreflectivity**



## Two Component Markings

### Limitations:

- Limited Equipment - Do Not Specify for Projects with Small Quantities
- Extensive Prep. for Installation
- May Require Lane Closures to Install
- Can Only Be Refurbished With Identical Materials



## Two Component Markings

Life Cycle Cost:

- Initial Cost – Insufficient Data
- Expected Life – Insufficient Data
- Annualized Cost – Insufficient Data



## Types of Marking Materials

- Paint
- Thermoplastic
- Preformed Thermoplastic
- High Performance Tapes
- Audible & Vibratory Markings



## Audible & Vibratory Policy

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- “Edge lines on all two-lane and multi-lane flush shoulder rural roads with posted speed of 50 mph or greater.”
- “Only on centerlines of two-lane rural roads with history of centerline cross over crashes.”

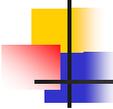


## Audible & Vibratory Pavement Markings

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Primary Use:

- Longitudinal Edge Lines
- Centerline markings (If Justifiable)

 **Audible & Vibratory Markings**  
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 **Audible & Vibratory Markings**  
Crown Product

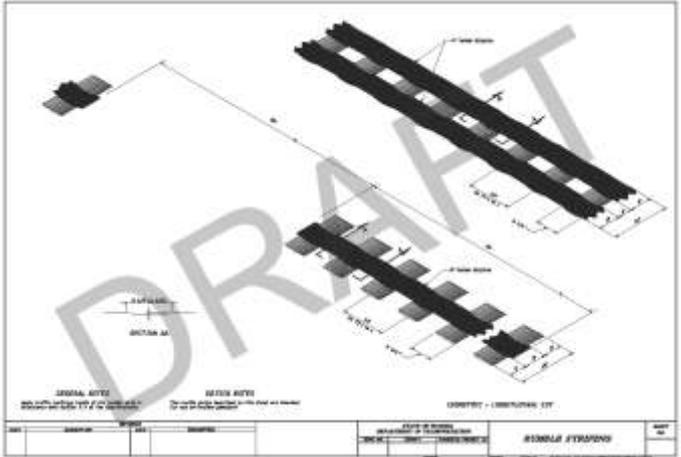
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### Audible & Vibratory Markings Ground-in Rumble Stripe



### Audible & Vibratory Markings Field Installation - Ground-in Rumble Stripe



DATE	DESIGNER	CHECKED	APPROVED	PROJECT	SCALE

**Section 701:**  
**Audible & Vibratory Markings**  
Field Installation - Ground-in Rumble Stripe



A yellow ground-in rumble stripe machine is shown on a road. A worker in a high-visibility vest is standing near the machine. The machine is creating a rumble stripe on the pavement.

**Section 701:**  
**Audible & Vibratory Markings**  
Field Installation - Ground-in Rumble Stripe



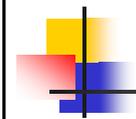
A white truck is pulling a yellow ground-in rumble stripe machine on a road. The machine is creating a rumble stripe on the pavement.

**Section 701:**  
**Audible & Vibratory Markings**  
Field Installation - Ground-in Rumble Stripe



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Field Installation - Ground-in Rumble Stripe





## Section 701: Audible & Vibratory Markings

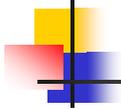
Field Installation - Ground-in Rumble Stripe



## Audible & Vibratory Markings

### Life Cycle Cost:

- Initial Cost - \$ 5,750/Mile
- Expected Life – Insufficient Data
- Annualized Cost – Insufficient Data



## Audible & Vibratory Markings

Limitations:

- Do Not Specify for Tapers, Turn Lanes or Radius Markings



## Questions

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